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Accelerators for Collider Experiments

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Goals and outline

Accelerator science is an exciting area of human knowledge, the high-energy colliders are arguably the most advanced science instruments. My goals are to i) introduce you to the basics of collider-accelerator science and technology; ii) provide some historical insight and highlight future challenges; iii) perhaps convince you that this is a direction worth pursuing in your career.

The lectures are structured along the following plan:

- 1. Introduction and history
- 2. Theory and fundamental concepts
- 3. Key technologies
- 4. Collider operations
- 5. Proposals for the future and challenges

Credits

- I am indebted to my Fermilab and CERN colleagues with whom I had a privilege to work on the Tevatron Collider Run-II and LHC programs
- I re-use much of notes and material from V.Shiltsev's previous years' HCPSS lectures

Suggested reading

- Accelerator Physics, S.Y. Lee (World Scientific, 1999)
- CAS CERN Accelerator School http://cas.web.cern.ch/
- USPAS US Particle Accelerator School http://uspas.fnal.gov
- Accelerator Physics at the Tevatron Collider (ed. V.Lebedev and V.Shiltsev, Springer, 2014)
- The High Luminosity Large Hadron Collider (ed. O.Brüning and L.Rossi, World Scientific, 2015)

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1. Introduction and history

Why accelerator science?

Accelerator physics

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Accelerator physics is a branch of applied physics, concerned with designing, building and operating particle accelerators. As such, it can be described as the study of motion, manipulation and observation of relativistic charged particle beams and their interaction with accelerator structures by electromagnetic fields.

It is also related to other fields:

- Microwave engineering
- **Optics**

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- Mechanics and mathematical physics
- Computer technology
- Plasma physics
- Material science

The field of accelerators is vast, research machines ~1%

Industrial accelerators

- Radioisotope production
- Medical treatment
- Electron welding
- Food sterilization
- Catalyzed polymerization
- Waste treatment

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Light sources

- Electron beam passes through alternating-sign magnetic field, an "undulator" to create synchrotron radiation (typically X-ray)
- Many applications in biophysics, material science, industry
- Machines continuously improve beam brightness and light coherence

Accelerators for basic research - Fermilab Accelerator Complex

Collider concept

• The (only) reason is *energy*

- To get to the 14 TeV CM energy of the LHC with a single beam on a stationary proton would require that beam to have an energy of 100,000 TeV!
- The idea was first given serious consideration by the Norwegian engineer and inventor Rolf Wideröe, who in 1943 filed a patent for the collider concept (and received the patent in 1953)
- "…It is estimated that [since then] accelerator science has influenced almost 1/3 of physicists and physics studies and on average contributed to physics Nobel Prize-winning research every 2.9 years." Haussecker and Chao, Physics in Perspective 13, 146 (2011)

Collider types

- I. Particle species:
	- electron-electron, electron-positron
	- proton-proton, proton-antiproton
	- electron-proton, electron-ion, ion-ion
- II. Geometry:
	- Circular (30 built)
	- Linear (1 built)
	- **Combination**

Rate of collisions, statistics and Luminosity

• Luminosity (L) is a machine property that describes the relationship between the rate of events (R) and number of events (N) for a process with given cross-section (σ)

$$
R = L \times \sigma \qquad N = \sigma \times \int L \, dt
$$

- Customary unit for Luminosity is cm-2s-1
- Standard unit of cross section is "barn"=10-24 cm2
- Integrated luminosity is usually in barn⁻¹ $b^{-1} = (1s) \times (10^{24} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1})$
	- $-$ nb⁻¹ = 10⁹ b⁻¹, fb⁻¹=10¹⁵ b⁻¹, etc.)
- Record instantaneous luminosities:
	- Electron-positron: SuperKEKB 471 × 10³² cm⁻²s⁻¹
	- Proton-antiproton: Tevatron 4.3×10^{32} cm⁻²s⁻¹
	- $-$ Proton-proton: LHC 222×10^{32} cm⁻²s⁻¹
	- $-$ Proton-electron: HERA 0.75×10^{32} cm⁻²s⁻¹

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First colliders

Lighter particles, electrons and/or positrons are easier to handle and collide VEP-1 (Встречные Электронные Пучки) ADA (Anello Di Accumulazione) at BINP, Novosibirsk, USSR at INFN, Frascati, Italy

130MeV e-/e-1963 construction complete May 19, 1964 luminosity

250 MeV e+/e-1961 construction complete May-June, 1964 luminosity

First proton collider – CERN Intersecting Storage Rings (ISR) - 1971

- 31 GeV + 31 GeV colliding proton beams.
- Highest CM Energy for 10 years
- Set a luminosity record that was not broken for 28 years!

First proton-antiproton collider - Super Proton–Antiproton Synchrotron

- Initial energy 270GeV / beam
	- Later raised to 315 GeV
- First collisions in 1981
- Discovery of W and Z in 1983
	- 1984 Nobel Prize in Physics (Rubbia and Van der Meer)
- Protons from SPS were used to produce antiprotons
- Antiprotons were injected in the opposite direction and accelerated

First superconducting synchrotron - Tevatron

- 1968 Fermilab Construction Begins
- 1972 Beam in Main Ring (normal magnets)
	- Plans soon began for a superconducting accelerator to share the tunnel
- 1985 First proton-antiproton collisions in **Tevatron**
	- Most powerful accelerator in the world for the next quarter century
- 1995 Top quark discovery
- 2011 Tevatron shut down after successful LHC startup

Colliders – the glorious past

2. Theory and fundamental concepts

Units and variables

- For the most part, accelerator physicists use SI units except for
	- Energy: eV, keV, MeV, GeV, etc.
		- Speaking of beam energy, we usually mean the kinetic energy K
	- $-$ Mass: eV/c^2
	- Momentum: eV/c
	- Luminosity: cm-2s-1
	- $p = \gamma m \nu$ $E = \gamma mc^2$ $K = E - mc^2$ $E = \sqrt{(mc^2)^2 + (pc)^2}$ $\beta =$ $\overline{p}c$ $\frac{\partial c}{\partial E}$ $\gamma =$ \overline{E} $\overline{mc^2}$ $\beta\gamma =$ $\overline{p}c$ mc^2

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Particle acceleration

- The simplest way to accelerate charged particles is through static electric field $K = eE d = eV$
- This method is limited by the magnitude of electric field
	- $-$ CRT display \sim keV
	- $-$ X-ray tube \sim 10keV
	- $-$ Van de Graaf \sim MeV
- How to overcome this limitation?
	- Alternate fields to keep particles in accelerating fields
		- Radio Frequency (RF) acceleration
- $V = V_0 \sin(\omega t)$
- Bend particles so they see the same accelerating field over and over
	- cyclotron, betatron, synchrotron

Making a ring – bending magnetic field

The Lorentz force for a particle in electromagnetic field is

$$
\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \qquad \vec{p} = \gamma m \vec{v}
$$

- Particle of unit charge in a uniform magnetic field will move in a circle of radius
- If all magnetic fields are scaled with the momentum as particles accelerate, the trajectories remain the same side view eB
	- Synchrotron [Veksler (1944), McMillan (1945)]
- Beam "rigidity" is defined as $(B\rho)[T \cdot m] = \frac{p[eV/c]}{c[m/c]}$ $c[m/s]$
- This is all good for a single particle, but we want a beam!
	- Particles inside of the beam have different momenta
	- Hence, we need focusing

 \overline{p}

 $\rho =$

Beam focusing in accelerators

- **Equilibrium orbit** closed circular trajectory of the particle with ideally matched energy
- **Beam** particles which have a spread in coordinates, momenta (both transverse x,y) and longitudinal (s)
	- **Beam emittance** volume in phase space
- Need to contain beam particles
	- Focusing with Lorentz force from magnets and accelerating structures
		- Longitudinal focusing synchrotron principle

Transverse beam focusing – *weak focusing*

Weak focusing (betatron, early synchrotrons)

- Bending magnet does the focusing
- $\,$ Azimuthally uniform transverse magnetic field $\,B_{\mathcal{Y}}(x) = B_{0} + \,$ ∂B_y $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ x
- $-$ To satisfy the Maxwell equations $\;\; x'' + (1-n)x = 0$
	- Stability criterion $0 < -\frac{\rho}{R}$ \overline{B}_0 ∂B_y
- Betatron tune and betatron function

$$
x = \sqrt{J_x \beta_x} \cos(Q_x \frac{s}{\rho}) \qquad Q_x = \sqrt{1 - n} \qquad \beta_x = \frac{\rho}{\sqrt{1 - n}}
$$

 $\frac{y}{\partial x} < 1$

 $y'' + n y = 0$

– RMS Beam size $\quad \sigma_{\chi} = \sqrt{\varepsilon_{\chi} \beta_{\chi}}$

- Beta-function determined by focusing properties
- Emittance intrinsic beam property

Limitations of weak beam focusing

- No room for insertion devices all circumference occupied by gradient magnet
- Cannot achieve small beam size
	- Limited beam brightness
	- Requires huge beam aperture = cost

$$
\beta_x = \frac{\rho}{\sqrt{1 - n}} = \frac{\rho}{Q_x}
$$

Dubna Synchrophasotron 1957

- E=10 GeV, Protons
- $\rho = 30 \text{ m}$
- Vacuum chamber 2×0.36 m
- Magnet weight 36,000 ton

Transverse beam focusing – *strong focusing*

- a.k.a alternating-gradient focusing
	- N.Christofilos (1949, unpublished);
	- Courant, Livingston, Snyder (1952)

28GeV CERN PS (1958), 30GeV BNL AGS (1960)

 $K_{x,y}(s+C) = K_{x,y}(s)$ $(s) y = 0$ $(s) x = 0$ $y'' + K_y(s)y$ $x'' + K_x(s)x$ *y x* $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$ $\left\{ \right.$ $\left($ $'' + K_{y}(s)y =$ $'' + K_{x}(s)x =$ piecewise constant alternating-sign fns

- $K_{\mathbf{z}}(\mathbf{c})$ $-K_{\rm z}(s)$
- Quadrupole is focusing in one direction and defocusing in cross-plane
- A combination of quadrupoles with alternating signs can be made stable in both x and y

of a particular guide field.

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Implementation of strong focusing

• Strong focusing was originally implemented by building magnets with non-parallel pole faces to introduce a linear magnetic gradient **PUDE IQUES**

 ∂B_y

 $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$ x

 $=$ $\begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} & + \end{bmatrix}$

dipole quadrupole

 $B_y(x) = B_0 +$

Thin-lens approximation

- If the path length through a transverse magnetic field is short compared to the bend radius of the particle, then we can think of the particle receiving a transverse "kick", which is proportional to the integrated field
- The particle trajectory will be bent by a small angle $\Delta \theta \approx \frac{p_{\perp}}{p} = \frac{Bl}{B\rho}$ $B\rho$
- In this "thin lens approximation", a dipole is the equivalent of a prism in classical optics

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Quadrupole magnet as thin lens

- $B_y = \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial x} x$ $B_x = \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} y$
- $\vec{\nabla}\times\vec{B} = 0 \rightarrow \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial y}$ ∂x $=\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial x}$ ∂y $=$ B'
- A charged particle passing through the magnet along the axis (i.e. perpendicular to page) off center in horizontal plane will experience a kick proportional to the displacement
- $\Delta\theta \approx -\frac{B_{y}l}{B_{z}}$ $B\rho$ $=-\frac{B'l}{B}$ $B\rho$ χ
- Similar to a thin lens with focal length $f = \frac{x}{\Delta t}$ $\Delta\theta$ $=\frac{B\rho}{R}$ $B^{\prime}l$

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Quadrupole lens in cross plane

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$$
\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = 0 \rightarrow \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} = B'
$$

• If the lens is focusing in horiz. plane, it will be defocusing in y!

• Placing focusing and defocusing lenses in pairs or other combinations can achieve net focusing in both planes regardless of the order

Transfer maps

- The simplest magnetic lattice consists of a sequence of quadrupole lenses and drifts between them
- Quadrupole magnet transforms the pair (x, x') as:

$$
- x = x_0
$$

$$
- x' = x'_0 - \frac{1}{f}x_0
$$

- For the drift:
	- $x = x_0 + Lx'_0$

-
$$
x' = x'_0
$$

\n• FODO cell:
$$
M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & L \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ + \frac{1}{f} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & L \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{f} & 1 \end{bmatrix}
$$

For a periodic system, stability criterion $|Tr[M]| < 2$

$$
\begin{bmatrix} x \\ x' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & L \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x' \end{bmatrix}_0
$$

Betatron motion

- Particle motion around closed orbit can be described in terms of initial conditions and the periodic '*amplitude function*' (*lattice function*, β*-function, betatron function*)
- Particles execute pseudo-harmonic oscillations (i.e. with variable wavelength)
- Note: β units are [length], hence amplitude A is $\sqrt{[length]}$

Conceptual understanding of lattice functions

• Betatron function represents the bounding envelope to the motion of particles in the beam, not the particle motion itself

Normalized particle trajectory

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- Features:
	- Closely spaced strong quadrupoles \rightarrow small $\beta \rightarrow$ small aperture, many wiggles
	- Sparsely spaced weak quadrupoles \rightarrow large $\beta \rightarrow$ large aperture, few wiggles

Characterizing particle ensemble - Emittance

• A particle returning to the same point in a ring over many turns traces an ellipse, defined by the β-function and two additional parameters, α and γ

• An ensemble of particles can be characterized by a bounding ellipse, known as the "emittance" (definitions vary: RMS, 95%, 99%)

$$
\beta x'^2 + 2\alpha xx' + \gamma x^2 = \epsilon
$$

Beam size and adiabatic damping

• Using the Gaussian definition of the emittance, the rms beam size is

 $\sigma_x = \sqrt{\epsilon \beta_x}$

• Emittance is constant at a constant energy, but as particles accelerate, the emittance decreases

• This is known as "adiabatic damping". We therefore define a "normalized emittance" (measure of truly conserved adiabatic invariant Δ*p*×Δ*x*)

 $\epsilon_N = \beta \gamma \epsilon$

Strong focusing - features

- Beta-function and consequently beam size can be small
- Beam size varies along the ring there are maxima and minima
- For example, in the final focus of the LHC
- $\beta^* = 30 \text{ cm}$

Betatron frequency and betatron tune

• As particles go around a ring, they will undergo a number of betatron oscillations Q

$$
Q = \frac{1}{2\pi} \oint \frac{ds}{\beta(s)}
$$

- Q is referred to as the 'betatron tune'
- For the Tevatron, Q=20.58. For the LHC, Q=64.31
	- Integer part relates to aperture
	- Fractional part is related to beam stability
- Betatron frequency

$$
f_{\beta}=Qf_0=Q\frac{1}{T}
$$

Longitudinal motion and phase stability

- Similar to transverse (betatron) oscillations and envelope, the beam can be focused longitudinally w.r.t. the 'reference' particle
- This is achieved by phasing the RF cavities such that the 'reference' particle will see no accelerating voltage, while the more energetic particles will receive less acceleration
- Frequency of accelerating RF voltage is an integer of the revolution frequency $f_{RF} = hf_0$
	- Allows for multiple 'buckets' (i.e. bunches) along the ring
	- $-$ In the LHC, h=35,640
		- Not every 'bucket' is occupied by a bunch, LHC operates with 2,808 bunches per beam
		- LHC bunch length is 15 cm

Putting it all together – collider Luminosity

• For equal intensity round beams with Gaussian profile

$$
L = f \frac{N_b^2}{4 \pi \sigma^2} R
$$

- Here f-collision frequency, N_b -number of particles per bunch, σ -beam size, Rgeometrical factor determined by e.g. crossing angle
- Substituting $\sigma^2 \approx \frac{\beta^* \epsilon_N}{\gamma}$ $L=f_0$ $\mathbf{1}$ 4π $\boldsymbol{n}\boldsymbol{N}_{\boldsymbol{b}}^{\boldsymbol{2}}$ $2\frac{\gamma}{\gamma}$ $\boldsymbol{\beta}^* \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_N$ \boldsymbol{R}
- n number of bunches, β^* beta-function at the collision point

Luminosities of colliders (∆**-lepton colliders, •-hadron colliders)**

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Summary

Today, we reviewed

- The evolution of the field
- Basics of creating tightly-focused beams suitable for collisions
- Luminosity scaling

Plan for tomorrow:

- 3. Key technologies
- 4. Collider operations
- 5. Proposals for the future and challenges

Questions?

