Electron Cloud Measurements and Plans at Fermilab

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Driving Protons at the Main Injector

- Main Injector today produces 120 GeV proton beams for neutrinos and antiprotons
 - ➢ 400 kW average power
 - ➢ 4E13 protons per pulse
 - 10e10 Protons per bunch
- Near future upgrades (NOvA)
 - ➢ 700 kW, 4-5E13
- Upgrades in planning –Project X
 - > 2+ MW at 60-120 GeV in Main Injector
 - ➤ 15+ E13 protons per pulse
 - 30e10 Protons per bunch
- Electron cloud on the top of our minds as a problem for tripling the beam intensity



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Outline

- Motivation
- Early Measurements made at the Main Injector
 > Observation of cloud buildup
- Mitigation Options in Main Injector
- Experiments with coatings in Main Injector
 - ≻ Mostly talks on Monday by C. Thangaraj and C.Y. Tan
- Considerations for Project X
- Plans for future study
- More in Monday talks (Lebrun, Thangaraj, Tan)

Early Simulation Input

- Simulations suggested that MI might be near a threshold for electron cloud formation
 - ➢ 4-5 orders or magnitude increase of cloud density with a doubling of bunch intensity
- Led to a program of studies:
 - > Try to find evidence of a cloud with present MI
 - Expand simulations
 - Look at secondary emission in the MI



Critical Model for ECloud

- Why such a threshold for the Main Injector?
- Consider equilibrium at marginal intensities
 - \succ Criticality parameter: κ
 - Proportion of electrons that "survive" a bunch crossing
 - \succ No straightforward equation for κ
 - Combination of energy gain, SEY curve, and slow loss between bunches
 - Comes from simulation
 - Below threshold, equilibrium density is primary production divided by (1 κ)
- Primary production is the key difference
 - > In CESR, can be ~ 1% / bunch
 - ➤ In MI it is order 1e-8 / bunch
- At $\kappa > 1$ there is exponential growth, and it must be suppressed by the space charge of the electrons

➤ Automatically requires few % of beam

• Note: this is just a heuristic model for understanding the simulation results, don't take it too literally

Existing Pressure Rises in MI





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Early Data - Threshold

- Installed a single Argonne RFA in straight section
- Large number of cycles sampled at maximum electron current
- Clear turn-on at higher intensities
 - ➤ Threshold at ~ 26e12 protons
 - Threshold later moved higher
- Allowed fitting of simulation to data, giving an SEY
 - ➢ Fit to POSINST by Furman
 - Conditioned pipe gave ~ 1.3



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High-Intensity Operation



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2007-2008 Run Summary

- Threshold started low and moved up to $\sim 30e12$ with beam studies
- When 11 batch became operational, threshold increased quickly
 - ➢ Generally threshold moves with the beam intensity
- At the end of the run, the threshold was beyond maximum MI intensity
 - ➤ 42e12



Instabilities in the MI

- High-intensity beam in the Main Injector is subject to a resistive-wall instability
- Damper system needed to prevent catastrophic beam loss, even at marginal intensities
 - Digital, bunch-by-bunch system
 - Masks any coupled-bunch instability due to ECloud
 - Also prevents tune measurement
- Studied instability threshold variation with intensity
 - Generally, the scaling is linear in damper gain, which is what is expected for RWI
 - ECloud would be a nonlinear rise at highintensity
- Present MI operation is incompatible with this study
 - Updated measurement at higher intensities would be nice



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Mitigation Options for MI

- Main Injector is 60% dipole, 25% quadrupole
 - > < 5% bare straights, so solenoids are ineffective
- Beam pipe is captured in magnets and aperture is tight
 - ➢ No way to add grooves or clearing electrodes
- Coating is most straightforward solution for Project X
 - Though certainly not easy or inexpensive
- A more exotic option would be to change our RF frequency, but we haven't been able to get a solid answer on what is better, and what are the tradeoffs



Electron Cloud Experimental Upgrade - 2009

Major upgrade installed summer 2009

- 2 New experimental Chambers
 - Identical 1 m SS sections, except that one is coated with TiN
- 4 RFAs (3 Fermilab & 1 Argonne)
- 3 microwave antennas and 2 absorbers
 - Measure ECloud density by phase delay of microwaves

- Primary Goal: validate coatings as potential solutions for Project X
- Secondary Goals:
 - Remeasure threshold and conditioning
 - Further investigate energy-dependence
 - Measure energy spectrum of electrons
 - ➤ Test new instrumentation
 - Directly compare RFA and Microwave
 - Measure spatial extinction of ECloud



TiN Coating

- TiN is a standard coating for ECloud mitigation
- Coating of test chambers performed at BNL
- Will need to adapt this procedure for *in situ* coating of 3000 m of Main Injector
- Also looking at adopting the SLAC procedure





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Electron Detectors

- Retarding field analyzers
 - Based on Argonne design
- Maximize signal with enlarged area and by removing ground grid
 - ➢ Ground is provided by the beam pipe
- Shaping of electrodes optimizes energy filter performance
 - Also, more hermetic
- Amplifier/filter in tunnel
 - Better-quality cables to surface



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Evolution of Thresholds

- Thresholds in RFA increase as evidence of conditioning
- More details in CY Tan's talk Monday



Microwave Measurements

- ECloud induced phase shift
- Sideband, zero-span, and direct phase measurements
 - Very good time-resolution with direct phase
- May allow measurement in dipole sections
 - No room for RFAs in Main Injector Dipoles
- Need better theoretical understanding of phase shift, particularly in magnets
 - Plasma modeling & ECR issues
- Need to understand the issues arising from reflections within the accelerator
 - Do not understand normalization
 - Uncertain where the measurement is occurring
- Much more on this in C Thangaraj's talk on Monday October 9, 2010 Bob Zwas



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Carbon Pipe

- CERN is very interested in amorphous carbon
 See it as superior to TiN in not requiring as much conditioning
- They built a chamber for us in short order and we installed it in MI this past summer

► Replacing our TiN test chamber

- Early results in CY Tan's talk Monday
- Conditioning history will be made like with TiN

Conditioning in MI

- Why does the material condition well in MI?
 - Especially, in comparison to other proton rings like PSR or SNS
- The major differences are the beam RF structure and the acceleration cycle
 - ➤ MI h=588 vs h=1 for SNS & PSR
 - ➤ MI has high-intensity beam for ~ 50,000 revolutions each second
 - SNS & PSR have only a few hundred or thousand turns
- In total, the same maximum cloud density in the machines will produce about 50,000 times more electron flux at the beam pipe of the Main Injector
- However, the MI is similar to the SPS in the above
 - Does grade of stainless make a difference?

Project X Approach

- We have a wide-ranging program of inquiry, but need to be focused on the questions for Project X
- Our default approach is to plan to coat all the MI magnets
 - > Data in MI has shown that TiN is superior to stainless
 - > Threshold moves as high as beam will condition the surface
 - > Outside data shows that TiN can condition to SEY-max of < 1
 - Open to other coatings
- However, coating is expensive and time-consuming
- Lingering question is whether we can get away without coating
- Towards Project X:
 - > Develop new instrumentation, particularly for the dipoles
 - Measure SEY conditioning in MI with Cornell station and eventually in a dipole
 - Program of simulation to be able to extrapolate the conditions of conditioning at higher intensity
 - Bench experiments with coatings and conditioning

SEY Measurement

- SEY measurement station from Cornell
 - Adapted from SLAC
 - Allows in situ measurement of SEY on samples
- Place sample "buttons" of materials as portion of beampipe circumference
 - Beampipe made of standard materials for us: Stainless 416L
- Directly measure the SEY of the sample
 - SLAC did this by removing the button and testing in a surface physics lab
 - At Cornell, it has been modified for *in situ* measurement
- Will allow comparison between conditioning in electron/positron ring, and our proton ring
- Other considerations:
 - Change pieces without breaking accelerator vacuum
 - Monitor electron flux
 - Differential scrubbing can be factored out



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SEY in Dipole

- The SEY measurement station from Cornell will allow direct measurement of SEY conditioning in our straight sections
 - ≻ However, most of our ring is dipole
- Need to adapt a system for measurements in magnetic fields
 - > MI magnets are not modifiable for this purpose
- Starting a conceptual design of a dogleg or chicane as an ECloud experimental station
 - C-magnets or other design that allows access to the beam pipe
 - Arbitrary magnetic field
 - SEY station for *in situ* and remote measurement
 - ➤ Also would allow instrumentation in a magnetic field

New Instrumentation

- Outstanding issue is being able to measure the ECloud in dipoles
 - > No room for RFA type detectors in MI magnets
 - Microwave measurements have shown marginal success, but suffer from significant uncertainties
 - Reflections, normalization, fringe fields
- Optical detection approach (Paul Lebrun):
 - Look for UV light emitted from the secondary emission process on the beam pipe
 - We are planning a bench measurement of the UV spectrum from electron impacts
- Laser phase shift (Charles Thangaraj):
 - > Measure direct phase shift of laser beam through clouds
 - > More in Charles's Monday talk

Simulation

- Have had extensive input from several codes
- Some future needs:
 - Simultaneous (or nearly so) simulation of cloud build-up and instabilities
 - Guidance for SEY experiments
 - Electron flux and spectrum
 - > Updates of expectations with conditioning
 - Understanding of instrumentation
- VORPAL (Tech-X & P. Lebrun)
 - ➤ Talk on Monday
- ORBIT (ORNL & L. Vorobiev)
 - > Attempt to adapt ORBIT and its 3-D model to Main Injector
 - Would allow simultaneous consideration of ECloud, high-order tracking issues, and impedances
 - Problem is that ORBIT, and particularly its ECloud module, have a lot of hard-coded numbers or concepts for h=1 and long bunches
 - Development is proceeding part-time

Outlook

- Main Injector does not presently have any issues with Electron Cloud
- Cloud buildup has been observed at the Main Injector
 - > Threshold behavior is qualitatively in agreement with simulation predictions
- Program is wide-ranging, but primary goal is to plan for Project X
- Experiments have shown that MI pipe and coatings condition with beam exposure
 - Coatings condition more quickly
 - Ultimate conditioning is limited by beam intensity
- Further experiments needed for Project X
 - Direct SEY measurement
 - Extension of measurements to dipoles
 - Consistent understanding with simulation
 - ➢ For now, TiN coating looks like a viable solution

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