

touschek_background Simulation Program

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1 Simulation Principle

`touschek_background` is a program for simulating where in an accelerator Touschek particles are generated and where they are lost. The source code for this program lives in the `bsim` directory in the standard Bmad[1] distribution.

This program makes use of Piwinski's formula for the Touschek rate, which takes the Twiss parameters and emittances at a particular element in the accelerator, along with a threshold momentum, and returns the rate at which particles are scattered above that momentum[2]. For a given threshold momentum δ_E , the Touschek rate formula is evaluated twice, once at δ_E and again at $\delta_E + \Delta\delta_E$. The rate at which particles are scattered into an energy window $[\delta_E, \delta_E + \Delta\delta_E]$ is,

$$R'[\delta_E] = \frac{R[\delta_E] - R[\delta_E + \Delta\delta_E]}{\Delta\delta_E} \quad (1)$$

A test particle, starting on the nominal trajectory is given an energy kick δ_E and tracked to where it is lost. The rate from Eqn. 1 is recorded at that location.

The momentum aperture $\delta_{E,max}$ is the threshold energy kick above which a particle will be lost downstream due to collision with the beam chamber. The `touschek_background` program divides the range $[\delta_{E,max}, \infty]$ into a number of test particles. The number of test particles is a settable parameter. An aperture file listing the locations and momentum aperture at each element in the lattice is a required input for the `touschek_background` program. The aperture file is typically generated by the `aperture_by_tracking` program also located in `bsim`.

So at every element in the lattice, several test particles are generated, each representing a different energy kick and rate. These are tracked to where they are lost and the rate is accumulated at the loss location.

The output of the `touschek_background` program is the current and power of lost particles deposited at each element in the lattice.

This simulation was originally developed to determine the best locations for collimators to intercept Touschek particles and control where losses occur. To that end, particles lost to a collimator are treated differently than particles lost elsewhere

Results from this simulation have been included in Refs. [3], [4], [5].

2 Input Parameters

The input parameters are:

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&parameters
  lat_file = <lattice file>
  aperture_file = <aperture_by_s.out generated by aperture_by_tracking>

! Set region where particles are to be generated.
! Can be set by location s or by element names.
  start_stop_type = 2 !1=by s, 2=by element name
! If "by s", then populate the s_prod_* and s_lost_* parameters.
! If "by element name", then populate the name_prod_* and
! name_lost_* parameters

! s_prod_start = 839.2
! s_prod_end = 839.3 !a negative number here means lat%param%total_length
name_prod_start = 'sa.mar.beg'
name_prod_end   = 'sa.mar.end'

! Set region where particles losses are to be recorded.
! Losses before s_lost_start are ignored.
! Particles are not tracked beyond s_lost_end.
! s_lost_start = 0.
! s_lost_end = 1219.6 !a negative number here means lat%param%total_length
name_lost_start = 'sa.mar.beg'
name_lost_end   = 'sa.mar.end'

do_ibs = .false. !If true, then IBS will be taken into account when
                !calculating the beam emittances and energy spread.
count_col_losses = 1 ! 0=no, 1=non-zero-length only, 2 = yes

! emittances are set here.
a_emittance = 3.0E-7
b_emittance = 3.0E-7
bunch_charge = 77.0E-12
bunch_length = 6.0093947965E-04
energy_spread_eV = 35.E3 !injected energy spread in eV
test_collimator = 0.0025 !radius of test collimator used for potential
                    ! collimator profile.
collimate = .false. !Add zero-length collimators according to collimators.in
                    !If this is true, then collimators.in must exist
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! Set to true to record trajectories of lost particles. This can be useful in
! determining the best locations for collimator placement.
traj_snapshot = .false.
snapshot_start_slix = 316
snapshot_stop_slix = 371
! Generate a histogram showing the current of test particles at each location
! in the lattice.
histogram_orbit = .false.

! Number of test particles to generate at each element.
N_test_part = 50
!N_test_part = 1
N_data_points = 8 ! number of samples of Touschek rate formula
distParam = 0.9999 ! must be < 1.0, closer to 1 concentrates touschek
                  ! sampling curve data points towards momentum aperture.
                  ! 0.999 is good place to start
ignore_thresh = 1.0E-5 !if a slice produced less than this rate of touschek
                      !particles per bunch per meter,then it is skipped
&end

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