ELENA Project Overview



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Introduction Recap of CERN low energy Antiprotons rings



Low Energy Antiproton Ring LEAR

- p-bar available from accumulator AA constructed for SppS project
- Additional facility making use of the p-bars and
- Ultra-slow (and fast) ejection to experiments in south hall and internal targets
- Commissioning in 1982 with stochastic cooling
- First machine with electron cooler used for operation
- First observations of antihydrogen ...

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A Small Deceleration Ring for <u>Extra Low</u> <u>Energy Antiprotons (ELENA)</u>

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INTRODUCTION

First proposal to construct ELENA to decelerate to even lower energies (7.85 m circumference to reach 200 keV !!)

On completion of LEAR, experiments with low energy antiprotons may be carried out for the first time using well defined antiproton beams in the energy range from 1270 MeV down to 5 MeV. As some experiments demand antiprotons even below 5 MeV, several devices for deceleration have been

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AD Construction and commissioning

- Around 1995:
 - □ No antiprotons needed for SPS since 1990
 - $\Box \quad AC \And AA running only for LEAR$
 - Decision to discontinue p-bar physics with LEIR by the end of 1996 ...
 ... to free resources for LHC
- Conversion of AC to AD proposed as simplified scheme for low energy p-bar physics
 - \Box Only one p-bar machine
 - \square PS used only for p-bar production
- Start of AD Commissioning in Autumn 1998
- First physics run in summer 2000
- Successful program with an increasing number of experiments





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Antiproton Decelerator AD





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Fraction Captured (40eV - 4keV) [%]

0.8

0.6

0.4

0.2

50



- Most experiments further slow down antiprotons coming from AD now at 5.3 MeV down by "foils" to a few keV and then capture them in traps
- Energy straggling increases energy spread such that only few antiprotons can be captured; even with optimized foil thickness
 - Almost half of the incoming pbars stopped in foil, where they annihilate
 - Almost half of the incoming pbars to energetic to be trapped
- (Note: there are AD experiments not using degraders as e.g. ASACUSA decelerating antiprotons with an RFQ - they achieve about one order of magnitude higher trapping efficiencies)
- Transverse: beam size on foil small enough for pbars to be cooled in trap



Transmitted (σ = 4.3μm) [%] Below 4keV (σ = 4.3µm) [%]

35

40

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- ELENA with further decelerate antiprotons to 100 keV
 - Still foil to decelerate to a few keV, but reduced thickness
 - Reduced energy straggling and increase of capture efficiency by about two orders of magnitude (about one order of magnitude for ASACUSA using RFQ)
 - Energy spread of extracted beam up to a few % does not lead to significant reduction of capture



- □ New types of experiments (gravitation of antihydrogen) become possible
- Electron cooling at intermediate and final energy to reduce emittances
- Available intensity per shot distribute in several (baseline: four) bunches for several experiments; longer running periods for experiments
- Other requirements from experiments
 - \Box Beam size on foil small enough (rms size <1 mm)
 - $\hfill\square$ Full bunch length less than 300 ns

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- Improve capture efficiency of experiments (traps) by (i) decelerating antiprotons coming from the AD at 5.3 MeV down to 100 keV and (ii) reducing emittances using an electron cooler
- Circumference 30.4 m or 1/6 the one of the AD (.. 4 times the size of the first proposal in 1982!)
 - $\hfill\square$ Ample space to allocate space for all equipment required or foreseen
 - $\hfill\square$ Fits in the available space inside the AD hall
 - \Box Lowest average field (beam rigidity over average radius) $B\rho/R = 94$ G smaller than for AD 115 G

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- ELENA Installation in AD hall:
 - □ Cost effective with short transfer line from AD and no relocation of existing experiments
 - □ New (small) building to house equipment now at location, where ELENA will be installed

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ELENA Overview – Some of the most salient features



- Machine operated at an unusually low energy for a synchrotron (down to 100 keV!)
- Expected main performance limitation: Intra Beam Scattering (IBS)
 - Determines equilibrium emittances together with electron cooling (see presentations on performance limitations and electron cooling)
- Beam diagnostics with very low intensities and energy
 - $\hfill\square$ Beam currents down to well below 1 μA (far beyond reach standard slow BCTs)
 - □ Intensity of coasting beam measured with Schottky (see presentations on RF and Instrumentation)
- Electron cooling at very low energies
 - □ Stringent requirements on field quality and, in addition, low fields, anything
 - □ Bunched beam cooling to obtain acceptable momentum spread of short extracted bunches
- Magnets with very low fields (see dedicated presentation on magnets)
 - □ "Thinning" (mixing of stainless steel and magnetic laminations) for bending magnets
 - □ Significant remanence effects and impact on field quality for quadrupoles, sextupoles ... ?
 - □ Careful magnetic measurement with pre-series magnets ("thinning" as well for other magnets?)
- Electrostatic transfer lines to experiments (see dedicated presentation on transfer lines)
 - □ Cost effective at very low energies, easier for shielding against magnetic stray fields
- RF system with modest voltages, but very large dynamic range (see dedicated presentation on RF)
- Commissioning with external H⁻ and proton source (and electrostatic acceleration to 100 keV) (see dedicated presentations on transfer lines and commissioning and operation)

ELENA Overview – Magnetic Cycle

- Present Ideas on Magnetic Cycle of Ring
- Ramp up within one up to a few seconds (not critical)
- Total duration not critical if longer than ~100 s AD cycle



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- Duration of ramps compromise between
 - □ Short enough to keep blow-up due to Intro Beam Scattering well acceptable
 - Long enough too avoid perturbations of optics due to Eddy currents in bending magnet chamber (net current along not isolated chamber in C-magnet created gradient)
- Length of cooling plateaus from simulations with BETACOOL (large "error bar" – longer cooling times than predicted seen for other machines)
- Significant remanence effects to be expected due to low fields for quadrupole, sextupoles...
 - □ Repeat always the same hysteresis cycles (good understanding of remanence from measurements)

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Topics not covered elsewhere -Interactions with Rest Gas



Special situation with low pressure and velocity

- □ Most p-bars do not interact with rest gas molecules (black) at all: in average ~40 s between interactions at 100 keV!
- □ Nuclear interactions (red): very rare and negligible
- □ Large angle scattering outside acceptance (orange): rather large cross section due to low energy (but few encounters)
- □ Small angle scattering (blue):
 - several deflections of one p-bar at 100 keV very unlikely blow-up not a multiple scattering phenomenon
 - "Small" ratio between minimum and maximum impact parameter leading to blow-up
 - "Coulomb" logarithm and blow-up rates much smaller than using standard multiple scattering formulas



Trajectories out side atom => no deflection

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Topics not covered elsewhere -Interactions with Rest Gas





- Adaptation of similar study for AD
 - □ Separation of different cases for different impact parameters b
- Assume (pessimistically) N₂ with pressure 3 10⁻¹² Torr at room temperature
 Residual gas density n = 9.6 10¹⁰ m⁻³, Z = 7, A = 14
- At ejection (0.1 MeV) energy
 - \Box Total interaction rate: 2 $\sigma_{sc}n \beta_e c = 0.024 s = 1/41 s \dots$ most p-bars are not scattered at all!!
 - \Box Impact parameter for loss and loss cross section
 - For $\beta_T = 3$ m and $A_T = 50 \ \mu\text{m}$: $b_{\text{loss}} = 2.5 \ 10^{-11} \text{ m}$, $\sigma_{\text{loss}} = 1.9 \ 10^{-21} \ \text{m}^2$, 2 n $\sigma_{\text{loss}} \beta_e c = 1/622 \ \text{s}$
 - □ Blow-up (of transverse rms emittances) rates:
 - For $\beta_T = 3$ m and $A_T = 50 \ \mu m$: $\sigma_{bu} = 9.6 \ 10^{-20} \ m^2 \ (\mu m/s), 2 \ n \ \sigma_{bu} \ \beta_e c = 0.081 \ \mu m/s$
- With 3 10⁻¹² Torr for ELENA ring: significant effects, but not the dominant limitation
- Significantly higher pressures > 10⁻⁸ Torr acceptable lines, except close to some experiments

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Topics not covered elsewhere – Impedances and Instabilities



- Can collective instabilities be a limitation despite the low intensity due to the very low energy?
- First studies on resistive wall (coasting beam) instabilities
 - □ Growth times long enough not to be an issue
 - Even longer rise times for lower energies (is there a simple explanation?)
 - Comparison of different models to compute resistive wall impedance
- Status
 - Estimations of impedances of other equipment
 - At present position pick-ups optimized to maximize signal at head amplifier and, thus, potentials and fields in vacuum chambers
 - □ Kicker (injection) will follow soon
- Presently, no damper foreseen, but space could be made available



Basic ELENA Parameters



Parameter	Value	Comment		
Basic shape	Hexagonal	Two long straights for injection and cooling		
Periodicity	Two periods	neglecting the electron cooler		
Circumference	30.4055 m	1/6 the AD		
Max. beta functions $\beta_{H,max} / \beta_{V,max}$	≈12 m/≈ 6m			
Working point Q _H /Q _V	≈2.3/≈1.3	Some tuning range to choose working point		
Relativistic gamma at transition	≈2			
Energy range	5.3 MeV – 100 keV			
Momentum range	100 MeV/c – 13.7 MeV/c			
Transverse acceptances	75 µm			
Cycle length	>25 s	Deceleration and cooling		
Repetition rate for pbar	~100 c	Limited by AD operation		
operation	~100 5			
Injected intensity	3 10 ⁷ antiprotons			
Efficiency	60%	Conservative guess		
Parameter at ejection ^{a)}		For Baseline with four bunches		
Number of bunches	4			
Bunch population	0.45 10 ⁷ pbars			
Rel. mom. spread	0.5 10 ⁻³	Rms value		
Bunch length	75 ns	Rms value		
Hor. emittance	1.2 μm	Rms, physical		
Vert. emittance	0.75 μm	Rms, physical		

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Basic ELENA Parameters

Present best Guess for beam parameters combining different Sources



Step in cycle	ε _L (meVs)	σ _p /p (10 ⁻³)	σ _E (keV)	$\sigma_{\rm T}$ (ns)	ε _{H,r.s} (μm)	ε _{v,r.s} (μm)
Injection ^{+,a)}	6.3	0.38	4	125	0.5	0.3
Start 1 st ramp ^{+,b)}	6.3	0.65	7	72	0.5	0.3
End 1 st ramp ^{c)}	6.1	1.8	2.4	200	1.8	1.1
Start plateau 35 MeV/c^{d}	9.1	0.8	1.05	coasting	1.8	1.1
End plateau 35 MeV/c^{e}	1.7	0.15	0.20	coasting	0.45	0.42
Start 2 nd ramp ^{d)}	2.5	0.84	1.1	180	0.45	0.42
End 2 nd ramp ^{c)}	2.4	2.1	0.42	455	2.2	2.5
Start plateau 100 keV ^{d)}	3.2	0.46	.092	coasting	2.2	2.5
Cooled coasting 100 keV ^{e)}	1.1	0.25	.050	coasting	0.3	0.2
Cooled bunched 100 keV ^f	4 x 0.1	0.50	.100	75	1.2	0.75

+) difficult to determine due to (i) dense core and long tails, (ii) variations with time

a) AD measurements about a year ago - smaller values obtained in 2012, in particular with bunched cooling

b) Increase of voltage from 16 V at transfer to 100 V on ramp

c) Simulations of IBS on ramp - Slides sent on 14th November

d) Debunching/bunching with 50% blow-up (bunched with LHC def. $\varepsilon_{\rm L} = 4\pi \sigma_{\rm E} \sigma_{\rm T}$, coasting $\varepsilon_{\rm L} = 4 (2/\pi)^{1/2} \sigma_{\rm E} T_{\rm rev}$)

e) BPPC presentation by G.Tranquille

f) From BPPC presentation by P. Beloshitsky on 2nd August 2012 - case for four bunches and 2.4 10⁷ pbars

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Summary and Aim of this Review



- Aim of ELENA
 - Small synchrotron with electron cooler to further decelerate antiprotons from the AD from 5.3 MeV to 100 keV
 - □ Improved efficiency of experiments trapping antiprotons by 1 to 2 orders of magnitude and allow for new types of experiments (gravitation with antihydrogen)
 - □ Will provide beam to several experiments simultaneously (lower intensities)
 - \Box First antiproton physics with ELENA planned in 2017 (2nd half)
- Aim of this review
 - Present our ideas for the construction of ELENA to experts in the field and give them a good understanding of how the machine should look like
 - \Box Emphasize areas and topics, which we believe to be critical
 - $\hfill\square$ Get feedback from the review panel on our plans
 - Is the technical design sound and likely to meet the expected performance?
 - Are possible limitations and performance to be expected properly analyzed and adequately addressed?
 - Have any possibly overlooked issues or showstoppers been identified?





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