



Muon Production and Cooling R&D Prioritisation



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Cooling issues

- A number of issues raised during discussion
 - Some are opportunities to improve performance
 - Some are potential problems that have to be dealt with
- I will discuss the cooling/capture system
- Marco will discuss target and active handling area (incl. chicane)

Cooling issues

- Basic lattice parameters need work
 - No self consistent baseline exists
 - Final cooling system alternatives may have better performance
 - Charge separation system has only preliminary design
- Optimisation opportunities
 - Performance may improve with stronger magnets
 - Performance may improve with higher gradient RF
 - Performance may improve with lattice optimisation
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- Potential technical issues
 - Material physics processes may not be well understood
 - Collective effects may be detrimental to performance

Self-consistent baseline

- Significant performance uncertainty – no self-consistent baseline design
 - E.g. initial cooling and rectilinear mismatched
 - E.g. chicane (etc) not fully optimised
- Actions
 - Collection of existing lattice designs
 - Reoptimisation of individual elements in light of appropriate specification of interface points
 - End-to-end simulation
 - System reoptimisation
 - E.g. where do we finish rectilinear and start final cooling, etc

Final cooling

- A number of improvements over current final cooling have been suggested
 - PIC
 - More rectilinear
 - Potato slicer
 - Frictional cooling
 - Wedge
- Actions
 - Design work on alternatives
 - Down selection

Charge separation

- No well-defined design exists for charge separation system
 - Preliminary study only
- Actions
 - Design work required here

Lattice optimisation

- Lattice performance can be improved with more work
 - E.g. matching between rectilinear cells
 - E.g. looking at different momentum goals in final cooling
- Actions
 - Do lattice optimisation

- Material physics effects not accurately modelled
 - E.g. energy straggling or multiple Coulomb scattering is not well-represented
- Actions
 - Literature review
 - Simulate using multiple codes
 - Simulation of sensitivity to energy straggling, etc
 - Measurement with beam

Magnetic field strength

- Magnetic field strength uncertainty leads to performance uncertainty
 - Could be able to push performance further (opportunity)
 - Could be we have over estimate of performance
- Actions
 - Better understanding from magnet team of limits
 - Reoptimisation of lattice design in light of magnet team suggestions

- RF gradient uncertainty leads to performance uncertainty
 - Could be able to push performance further (opportunity)
 - Could be we have over estimate of performance
- Actions
 - Better understanding from RF team of limits
 - Reoptimisation of lattice design in light of RF team suggestions

Collective effects

- Various collective effects lead to performance degradation
 - E.g. space charge
 - E.g. beam loading
 - E.g. absorber heating
- Actions
 - Calculation of magnitude of different effects
 - Simulation of sections where the risk is highest
 - Reoptimisation as appropriate