# Towards More Realistic Simulations of the Coherent Electron Cooling Experiment

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- Implementing the dependance of the cooling force on the ion's longitudinal location
   Implementing the dependance of the cooling force on the ion's transverse location
- Our plan for the CeC experiment at RHIC
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### **Coherent electron Cooling**



correction, i.e. cooling.

#### Plasma-Cascade Instability

Longitudinal plasma oscillation with periodically varying plasma frequency

$$\frac{d^2\tilde{n}}{dt^2} + \omega_p^2(t)\tilde{n} = 0;$$



 $\tilde{n} + \omega_{n}^{2} \tilde{n} = 0$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{n} \\ \hat{n} \end{pmatrix}_{s=-l} = M_{total} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{n} \\ \hat{n} \end{pmatrix}_{s=l}$$





Betatron motion in a FODO cell

$$y'' + K_y(s)y = 0,$$







## CeC experiment at RHIC





## **Overall Structure of CeC Prediction**



## What has been done in the past...

• In the past, our preliminary approach for predicting the cooling performance is the following:

Find a set of peak current, emittance and energy spread of the electrons (via 3D SPACE simulation) required to achieve the desired results for cooling (Modulation signal, PCA gain, cooling force)

Find the proper settings for the electron accelerator (via beam dynamic simulations, IMPACT-T) so that the desired parameters can be achieved (or succeed) over a sufficient range (10ps~15ps) around the bunch center.

Applying the same cooling force from step 1 to all ions within the 10ps~15ps range where the electron beam parameters are equal to or better than the required parameters



# Limitations of the previous approach

- The previous approach is valid when the electrons' properties, i.e. peak current, emittance, energy spread and TWISS functions, are relatively uniform within the 10ps~15ps range so that the cooling force at the kicker section does not vary significantly within that range.
- In addition, the previous simulation for the ions does not include the dependance of the cooling force on the transverse location of the ion. When the electron beam size is equal to or larger than that of the ion beam, this effects should be moderate (~ a factor of 2 from 1-D theoretical estimate).
- When the above assumptions are not satisfied, more accurate simulations are needed.

Dependance of the cooling force on the longitudinal position of the ion:

Variation of the electrons' parameters



#### Dependance of the cooling force on the longitudinal position of the ion: Impact to the cooling performance



## What have we missed...

Slice with the best cooling force at the bunch center is slice #28, which happens to be the slice with minimal transverse size, indicating that we need to take the transverse dependance of the cooling force into account. Slice #28



## Latest SPACE simulation results for e beam size

- Poor spatial overlapping of the electrons with the ions can reduce the cooling effects.
- In order to properly study the effects, one need to obtain the dependance of the cooling energy kick on the transverse offset of the ion.
- As a start, we adopted two analytical models of the transverse dependance of the cooling field.



#### Dependance of cooling force on the transverse location of the ion: Disc models

The longitudinal electric field can be found by solving the Poisson's equation for given charge distribution

$$\frac{1}{r} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \varphi(r, z) \right) \right] + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \varphi(r, z) = \frac{\rho_0}{\varepsilon_0} f_{//}(z) f_{\perp}(r) \qquad E_z(r, z) = -\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_z(r, k_z) e^{ik_z z} dk_z$$
Gaussian disc
$$\tilde{E}_{z,Gauss}(r, k) = -ik \frac{\rho_0 \tilde{f}_{//}(k)}{2\pi\varepsilon_0 \sigma_r^2} \left\{ I_0(kr) \int_{-\infty}^r \xi K_0(k\xi) e^{-\frac{\xi^2}{2\sigma_r^2}} d\xi - K_0(kr) \int_{0}^r \xi I_0(k\xi) e^{-\frac{\xi^2}{2\sigma_r^2}} d\xi \right\}$$

Uniform disc (step function for transverse density)

$$\tilde{E}_{z,step}\left(r,k\right) = -ik\frac{\rho_{0}}{\pi\varepsilon_{0}}\tilde{f}_{//}\left(k\right)\left[I_{0}\left(kr\right)\int_{r/a}^{1}\eta H\left(1-\eta\right)K_{0}\left(ka\cdot\eta\right)d\eta + K_{0}\left(kr\right)\int_{0}^{r/a}\eta H\left(1-\eta\right)I_{0}\left(ka\cdot\eta\right)d\eta\right]$$



#### Dependance of cooling force on the transverse location of the ion: Disc models

The transverse dependance of the cooling force can significantly reduce the cooling performance since the ion beam has transverse rms size of 0.8-1 mm and most ions don't see the electrons.



## Updated electron distribution

We started to explore the possibilities to make the electron bunch more uniform by adjusting the laser profile at the cathode. It is still work in progresses.



Courtesy to Y. Jing and J. Ma

## Simulated cooling forces with transverse offsets at the kicker

By introducing the transverse offset to the ion in the kicker section, cooling forces are obtained at 11 transverse locations for each slice.



Courtesy to J. Ma

## Amplitude of the cooling energy kick

For better visibility of the transverse distribution of the cooling force, we plot the amplitude of the energy kick curve.



Averaged cooling force over the transverse profile of the ion bunch

$$E_{i_{slice}} = 2\pi \sum_{j=1}^{10} \frac{E_{i_{slice}}\left(r_{j}\right) + E_{i_{slice}}\left(r_{j+1}\right)}{2} \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_{ion}^{2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma_{ion}^{2}} \left(\frac{r_{j} + r_{j+1}}{2}\right)^{2}\right] \cdot \left(\frac{r_{j} + r_{j+1}}{2}\right) \cdot \Delta r \qquad \Delta r = r_{j+1} - r_{j}$$



- Judging from this quantity, the matched slice, i.e. slice #45 has the maximal contribution for cooling the ion bunch
- For more accurate evaluation of the cooling performance, the ion tracking code is used.



Amplitude of the energy kick averaged over the tran. plane for

# Implementing the transverse dependance of the cooling force into the ion tracking code



## Results from ion tracking with 2D interpolation

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- Flattop laser profile results in triangular longitudinal charge distribution, which does not lead to better cooling performance compared with the previous set up.
- The cooling performance can be improved by a factor of 2~3 if we can make all 11 slices work like slice #45.



#### Why the cooling performance with updated electron distribution is even worse than the old one with Gaussian transverse profile?



# Required parameters for demonstrating CeC

- We are currently optimizing the electron accelerator and the cooling section magnets so that the followings can be achieved for the electron bunch:
  - Peak-to-peak variation of the instantaneous current stay below 10% over a duration of 15 ps;
  - The quality of the electrons with the 15 ps duration should be sufficient to generate cooling energy kick with amplitude of 1.5e-9 at the center of the bunch;
  - $\,\circ\,$  The transverse RMS size of the cooling force should not be smaller than the RMS size of the ion.

Required e Beam Parameter		Ion beam parameters	
Charge per bunch, nC	1.5	Bunch intensity	2E8
Peak current, A	50	Energy spread, RMS	2E-4
Norm. emittance, RMS, µm	1.5	Bunch length (RMS), ns	3.5
Transverse e beam size at kicker, RMS, mm*	1	$eta^*$ at cooling section, m	5
Beam energy, $\gamma$	28.5	$eta_{avg}$ at modulator/kicker, m	11
Energy spread, RMS	2E-4	Energy spread, RMS	6E-4
Uniform region (<10% variation of peak current and emittance, peak to peak), ps	15	Norm. emittance, RMS, μm <sup>*</sup>	2.5

\* In case we can reduce ions' emittance by scraping, the electron beam size should be reduced accordingly.

# Our plan

- Continue exploring the possibility of generating electrons with more uniform current distribution by adjusting the laser profile at the cathode;
- Exploring the possibility to improve the transverse matching of the electron slices in the kicker section by adjusting the betatron phase advances in the electron accelerator and the cooling section (similar to the concept of emittance compensation);
- Exploring the possibility of increasing the beta function of the electron beam at the modulator and kicker so that the cooling force does not decrease too fast with the transverse offset of the ion;
- Investigating how the cooling performance changes with the emittance of the ion bunch and exploring the possibilities of reduce transverse emittance of the RHIC ion beam by scraping off large amplitude ions (IBS rate will increase.).
- Explore possibilities of asymmetric IR2 at the modulator and kicker to optimize cooling performance.
- Continue improving tracking code
  - Introduce transverse offset of the ion at both the modulator and the kicker section. Obtain cooling wakes for ions with various transverse offset through the cooling section. Investigate how the cooling performance is affected by the transverse offset.

## Summary

- The previous simulations of the CeC experiment assumes a uniform electron bunch with no significant change of the beam parameters over a 15 ps longitudinal range;
- Recently, we improved the simulations of the CeC experiment to include the dependance of the cooling force on the longitudinal and transverse location of the ion in the electron bunch. From the preliminary results of these more accurate simulations, we found that the cooling force strongly depends on the local properties, such as peak current and transverse beam size, of the electrons. The quality of the electron bunch, especially the uniformity of the current profile and transverse matching at the cooling section, as predicted by the beam dynamics simulation appears to be insufficient for achieving the desired cooling performance;
- We are currently optimizing the electron accelerator and the cooling section magnets so that the followings can be achieved for the electron bunch:
  - Peak-to-peak variation of the instantaneous current stay below 10% over a duration of 15 ps;
  - The quality of the electrons with the 15 ps duration should be sufficient to generate cooling energy kick with amplitude of 1.5e-9 at the center of the bunch;
  - The transverse RMS size of the cooling force should not be smaller than the RMS size of the ion.
- The current simulations only includes 3-D spatial dependance of the cooling force. Dependance on the transverse angle of the ion will be included in the future, which may change the results shown for the cooling performance.

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