Final Cooling with Thick Wedges for a Muon Collider

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What is a Muon Collider?

- Proposed particle accelerator colliding muons and antimuons
- Current particle accelerators use protons or electrons
 - Electrons lose energy to radiation harder to reach high energy
 - Protons are composite particles collisions more complex
- Muons are high mass, elementary particles best of both worlds
- Potential to reach new energy scale (10 TeV) with smaller footprint

What is a Muon Collider?



Muon production

- Muons are unstable, must produce, accelerate, and collide them before they decay
- Proton-target collisions produce pions, which decay into muons



Muon production



Emittance and Cooling

- Initially high variance in muon position and momentum – measured by *emittance*
- Emittance measured in longitudinal (parallel to beam) and transverse (perpendicular to beam) axes
- Reducing emittance is important for maximizing luminosity; this process is known as *cooling*

Emittance = area of distribution in phase-space



Ionization Cooling

- Used because of short lifetime of muon
- Beam passed through matter, loses energy through ionization
- Momentum reduced in all axes (transverse and longitudinal)
- Beam is then reaccelerated with RF cavity
- Ends with greater proportion of momentum in longitudinal direction, achieving cooling



Final Cooling

- Cooling occurs in several stages
- Initial stages reduce emittance in all axes (6D cooling)
- Final cooling reduces transverse emittance, longitudinal emittance allowed to grow (4D cooling)
- Target emittance around 30 μm transverse, 100 mm longitudinal





Problems with Baseline Final Cooling

- Multiple scattering limits emittance reduction – equilibrium point dependent on momentum and beam width (β_t)
- High field (40-50 T) solenoids required to focus beam – impractical to construct and operate
- Low momentum required drastically increases longitudinal emittance
- Motivates alternate final cooling methods

 $\varepsilon_{N,\text{eq}} \cong \frac{\beta_t E_s^2}{2\beta mc^2 L_R (dE/ds)}$

$$\frac{\beta_t}{\beta_t}(m) \cong \frac{2P_{\mu}(GeV/c)}{0.3B(T)}$$

Problems with Baseline Final Cooling



Final Cooling with Thick Wedges

- Conceptual final cooling design proposed by Neuffer in 1612.08960
- Utilizes wedge-shaped absorbers to achieve emittance exchange
- Alternative means of emittance exchange lower field requirements



Wedge Cooling Mechanism



transverse emittance but higher spread in longitudinal momentum

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Momentum spread must be reduced before second wedge

Phase Rotation

- Particles travel through drift channel correlation between z and Pz
- RF cavity applies time-varying E-field decelerates faster muons and accelerates slower muons
- Decreases longitudinal momentum spread at the cost of increasing longitudinal position spread (longitudinal emittance unchanged)



Simulation and Optimization

- Simulated using G4Beamline software
- Optimization conducted using Nelder-Mead method (scipy)
- Optimized 1st wedge, drift length, RF cavity, and 2nd wedge sequentially





Caveats and Assumptions

- Magnets for focusing, beam transport, and bending were not designed – idealized versions assumed
 - Required magnet strengths not precisely known
- Only longitudinal behavior was considered in the RF cavity
- Losses from muon decays and inter-particle interactions ignored



<u>Results</u>

- Optimized conceptual design
- Achieved lower transverse emittance (x) than previous best results (x)
- Demonstrated cooling from first and second wedges





Next Steps

- Improve simulation and optimization
 - Include magnets in simulation to reduce assumptions
 - Global optimization using Bayesian methods and surrogate modelling
 - Validate results v.s. particle count and other parameters
- Combine wedges with other cooling methods
- Demonstrators for wedge cooling technology











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Thank you for listening!

Questions?

Backup slides

Baseline Graphs

