

# ***Accelerator Physics Exercises No. 1***

**- Work to be handed in on 18 October 2023**

## **Question 1.1**

A possible new 50 GeV (kinetic energy) proton synchrotron, the PS2 accelerator, has been considered to replace the CERN PS. The new accelerator would sit in a new ring tunnel which has a mean radius of 215 m. and will receive an injected beam at 4 GeV (kinetic energy) from a new linear accelerator - the Superconducting Proton Linac (SPL). The bending magnets have a 1.8 T magnetic field. Given that the mass of the proton is 0.9383 GeV:

- a) What is the momentum at 4 GeV and at 50 GeV?
- b) Given that the magnetic rigidity is defined as  $B\rho = 3.3356p \text{ Tm}$ , where  $B$  is the magnetic field,  $\rho$  is the bending radius and  $p$  is the particle momentum, what is the magnetic rigidity  $B\rho$  at both 4 GeV and at 50 GeV?
- c) What is the bending radius,  $\rho$ ?
- d) What is the fraction of the ring filled with dipole magnets?

## **Question 1.2**

A betatron has a beam radius of 0.2 m and is powered from 50 Hz mains. Its peak guide field is 0.8 T while the flux linking the orbit is twice that which would result from a uniform field of this value. What will be the peak energy of the electrons it accelerates?

## **Question 1.3**

Using classical mechanics show that the angular frequency of revolution of a proton in a cyclotron is equal to  $B_z(e/m)$ . Calculate this frequency for a field of 1.5 T ( $e/m = 9.58 \times 10^7 \text{ C/kg}$ ).

#### Question 1.4

- a) Calculate the lifetime of a muon circulating in a storage ring (a) at 50 GeV and (b) at 4 TeV.
- b) Calculate the magnetic rigidity  $B\rho$ , bending radius  $\rho$  and circumference of the ring for a 6 T superconducting muon storage ring. Assume  $\rho / R = 0.7$ , where R is the mean radius of the ring.

#### Question 1.5

- a) Compute the energy loss per turn for a 3 GeV electron beam at Diamond. The magnet bending radius is 7 m.
- b) Synchrotron light of 1 Å is a useful probe for molecular structure. Compare its resolving power with the scale of crystal structure, DNA, organic molecules (e.g. benzene), simple atoms and nuclei.
- c) What energy neutrons give a comparable resolution to a synchrotron light of 1 Å?

#### Question 1.6

- a) The LHC collides protons ( $m_{\text{proton}} = 0.938$  GeV) at 7 TeV per beam. What is the equivalent proton beam energy required to produce the same centre-of-mass energy with a stationary hydrogen target?
- b) How fast would you need to drive your new 1.3-ton Mini Cooper to have the same kinetic energy as a bunch of  $1.15 \times 10^{11}$  protons?

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