

Particle Accelerators and Beams Group

Why, What, When?

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Accelerator Origins

Cockcroft & Walton - Cambridge (1932)

- splitting the atom
- birth of particle accelerators



Evolution









Recent Background

- Study of generation, acceleration and manipulation of charged particle beams
- Established professional community in decline in Laboratories and (especially) universities (ie R&D capability)
- Creation of ASTeC in 2001 was first step in recognition
- Major investment initiated in 2004 (LC-ABD, UK-NF, CI, JAI)
- Growth period and successful UK international reputation

EMERGING THREATS !!!

Accelerator Physics Challenges

- Classical electrodynamics Maxwell (mainly!)
 - Lorentz forces: Deflection and acceleration
- Single particle dynamics
 - transport, stability, nonlinear dynamics tracking & differential algebra
- Multi-particle dynamics
 - collective effects, wake fields, space charge, coherent instabilities

Analytic modelling + Computer simulation (Start-to-End)

Production Transport Injection Acceleration Extraction Manipulation Delivery

Experimental verification

(Commissioning!)

Vacuum -

Diagnostics -

Engineering -

Geodesics -

Radiation -

Dumps -

Controls -

Accelerator Technologies

Sources - electron guns photoinjectors ion sources

Magnets - EM / SCM / PM DC / AC / Pulsed

harmonic / periodic power supplies

RF System - structures power sources

Cryogenics - magnets RF

UHV modelling diagnostics pumping

fast high precision non-interactive

alignment feedback

losses shielding personnel safety

spallation targets collimators

mechanical electrical civil

advanced process control

NB fs and nm regimes

Purpose of a New Group

- Professional Recognition and Focus
- Community Spirit
- Promotion of Subject Standing and Standards
- Encourage Discussion and Collaboration
- Benefit from IOP Underpinning
- Representation
- Education and Dissemination

Applications

- Particle physics
 - LHC upgrades ILC/CLIC NF SuperB
- Nuclear physics
 - HIE-ISOLDE FAIR
- Light sources
 - NLS XFEL diamond
- Neutron sources
 - ESS ISIS
- Medical
 - Therapy diagnostics
- Energy/Environment
 - Fission driver transmutation

Interim Committee

- Temporary steering team in place met in February
- Formal elections at 2009 AGM on 3 July

Mike Poole (Chairman)

Ken Long (Secretary)

Phil Burrows (Treasurer)

Dan Faircloth

Allan Gillespie

Brian McNeil

Hywel Owen

Susie Sheehy (Co-opted Student)

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Plans

- Recruit members (via MyIOP)
- Major launch event 3 July (London)
- Half day meetings (Sept Dec tbc):
 - Novel accelerating solutions
 - Proton accelerator opportunities
- Summer school (2010)
- Directory of Activities/Expertise
- Affiliated to N&PP Division (and others)
- Explore reciprocity with other Groups

HEPP Links

- Strong cross-membership interests
- Mutual programme plans
- Maximise information flow
- Optimise political influences
- Assist in development of new Group

Your invitation to join new PAB Group