

Injection and Extraction in Cyclotrons

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Outline

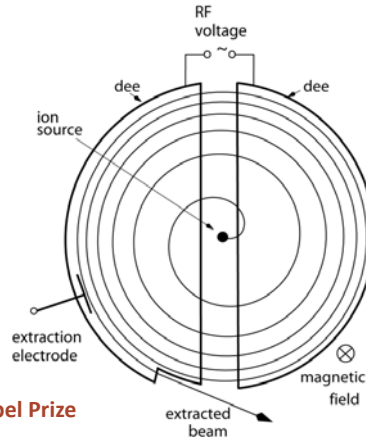
- **Cyclotron Basics**
scaling and isochronicity, focusing, turn separation,
classical cyclotrons and derived types
- **Injection for Cyclotrons**
internal source, electrostatic deflectors, horizontal
injection, optics matching, bunching
- **Extraction for Cyclotrons**
electrostatic septum, stepwidth calculation, charge
exchange extraction



The Classical Cyclotron

two capacitive electrodes „Dees“, two gaps per turn
 internal ion source
 homogenous B field
constant revolution time
 (for low energy, $\gamma \approx 1$)

$$\omega_c = \frac{eB_z}{\gamma m}$$



invented 1930, Lawrence, Nobel Prize

powerful concept:

- simplicity, compactness
- continuous injection/extraction
- multiple usage of accelerating voltage



wide spectrum of cyclotrons ...

compact and cost optimized for series production
 e.g. medical nuclide production
 → Internal source, extraction or internal target



CYCLONE 30 (IBA) : H- 15 à 30 MeV

huge and complex for variable research purposes, e.g. R.I.B. production or high intensity
 → External source, injection



RIKEN s.c. Ring Cyclotron- „as big as a house“



cyclotron basics: isochronicity and scalings

continuous acceleration → revolution time should stay constant, though E_k, R vary

magnetic rigidity:

$$BR = \frac{1}{e} p = \beta\gamma \frac{m_0 c}{e}$$

orbit radius from isochronicity:

$$R = \frac{c}{\omega_c} \beta = R_\infty \beta$$

deduced scaling of B :

$$R \propto \beta; BR \propto \beta\gamma \rightarrow B(R) \propto \gamma(R)$$

thus, to keep the isochronous condition, B must be raised in proportion to $\gamma(R)$; this contradicts the focusing requirements!

field index k : $k = \frac{R}{B} \frac{dB}{dR}$
 $= \frac{\beta}{\gamma} \frac{d\gamma}{d\beta}$
 $= \gamma^2 - 1$



cyclotron basics: stepwidth (nonrelativistic, B const)

relation between energy and radius

$$qRB_z = \sqrt{2mE_k}$$

$$\frac{dR}{R} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{dE_k}{E_k}$$

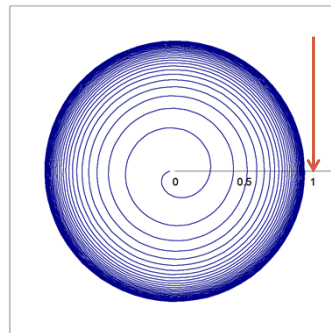
use: $\Delta E_k = \text{const}; B_z = \text{const}; E_k \propto R^2$

thus: $\Delta R \propto \frac{R}{E_k} \propto \frac{1}{R}$

radius increment per turn decreases with increasing radius
 → extraction becomes more and more difficult at higher energies

“cyclotron language”

$$R_\infty = R/\beta$$



focusing in a cyclotron

centrifugal force mv^2/r

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$m\ddot{r} = mr\dot{\theta}^2 - qr\dot{\theta}B_z$

Lorentz force $qv \times B$

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focusing: consider small deviations x from beam orbit R ($r = R+x$):

$$\ddot{x} + \frac{q}{m} v B_z (R+x) - \frac{v^2}{R+x} = 0,$$

$$\ddot{x} + \omega_c^2 (1+k)x = 0.$$

using: $\omega_c = qB_z/m = v/R$

$$r\dot{\theta} \approx v$$

$$k = \frac{R}{B} \frac{dB}{dR}$$

thus in radial plane:

$$\omega_r = \omega_c \sqrt{1+k} = \omega_c \nu_r$$

$$\nu_r = \sqrt{1+k}$$

$$\approx \gamma$$

using isochronicity condition

in vertical plane:

$$\nu_z = \sqrt{-k}$$

k < 0 to obtain vertical focus.

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Classical vs Isochronous Cyclotron

classical cyclotron

Sector/AVF cyclotron

$$\nu_z^2 = -\frac{R}{B_z} \frac{dB_z}{dR} + F^2 (1 + 2 \tan^2 \delta)$$

$$F^2 = \frac{B_z^2 - \overline{B_z}^2}{\overline{B_z}^2}$$

- insufficient vertical focusing
- limited energy reach

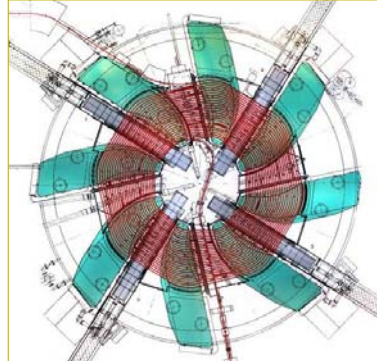
[illustration of focusing at edges]

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Azimuthally Varying Field vs. Separated Sector Cyclotrons



PSI/Varian comet: 250MeV sc. medical cyclotron



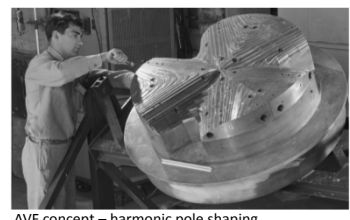
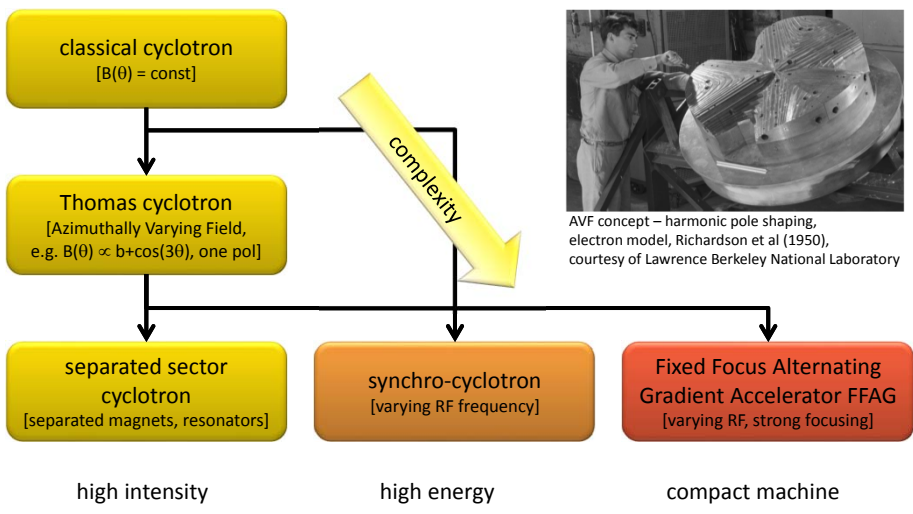
PSI Ring cyclotron

- **AVF = single pole with shaping**
- often **spiral poles** used
- **internal source** possible
- **D-type RF electrodes**, rel. low energy gain
- **compact**, cost effective
- depicted Varian cyclotron: 80% extraction efficiency; **not suited for high power**

- **modular layout**, larger cyclotrons possible, sector magnets, box resonators, stronger focusing, injection/extraction in straight sections
- **external injection** required, i.e. pre-accelerator
- **box-resonators** (high voltage gain)
- high **extraction efficiency** possible: e.g. PSI: 99.98% = $(1 - 2 \cdot 10^{-4})$

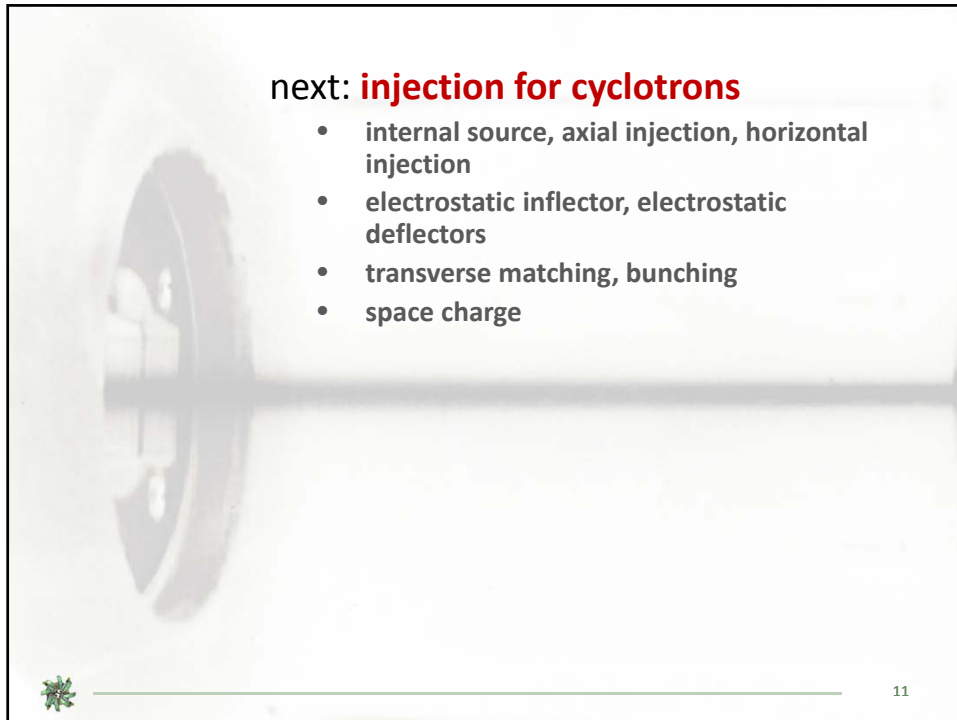


classification of cyclotron like accelerators




AVF concept – harmonic pole shaping, electron model, Richardson et al (1950), courtesy of Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory






next: **injection for cyclotrons**

- internal source, axial injection, horizontal injection
- electrostatic inflector, electrostatic deflectors
- transverse matching, bunching
- space charge

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Injection – Overview

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| <p>Injection Techniques</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • internal source • axial injection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – mirror inflector – spiral inflector – hyperbolic inflector • radial injection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – electrostatic septum – stripping injection | <p>Aspects to be considered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • overall central region design • radial centering • matching of beam optics • vertical centering • bunching / long. capture • minimize overall losses for high intensity application |
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Internal Ion Source

Example: Cold Cathode, Penning Ionisation Gauge (PIG)

cylindrical „chimney“ with slit as extraction aperture for protons

advantage:

- simple concept
- no heating required

critical:

- reproducibility of captured current (geometry related sensitivity)
- current stability on short (ms) timescale

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internal ion source

→ example COMET (Accel/Varian)

- Hydrogen is injected and ionized through chimney
- first acceleration by puller, connected to one Dee (80kV)

chimney = ion source
deflector electrode for intensity regulation

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external source: axial vs. horizontal injection

B field results in desired radial deflection

Ideally field free region

axial: suited for compact cyclotron with field covering entire plane

Ideally field free region

horizontal: suited for sector cyclotron with gaps between magnets

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Beam Deflection by Electric Field

momentum change: $\Delta p_{\perp} = \int F_{\perp} dt = \int \frac{F_{\perp}}{\beta c} ds, F = qE$

resulting angle: $\theta = \frac{\Delta p_{\perp}}{p} = \frac{qlE}{\gamma\beta^2 E_0}$

bending radius: $\rho = \frac{l}{\theta}$

electric rigidity: $E\rho = \frac{\gamma^2 - 1}{\gamma} \frac{E_0}{q} = \frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma} \frac{E_k}{q}$

low energy at source: $E\rho \approx 2U_{acc}$

$E \uparrow$

| | |
|-----------|--------------------------|
| E_0 | rest energy |
| E | field strength deflector |
| E_k | kinetic energy |
| ρ | bending radius |
| q | charge |
| l | length |
| U_{acc} | acc.voltage (source) |

Bending radius in B and E:

| E_k | B = 1T | E = 10MV/m |
|--------|--------|------------|
| 60 keV | 35 mm | 12 mm |
| 1 MeV | 140 mm | 200 mm |
| 1 GeV | 5.6 m | 150 m |

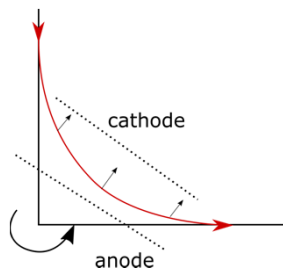
comparison electric and magnetic force on protons

$\vec{F}_E = e \cdot \vec{E}, \quad \vec{F}_B = e \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$

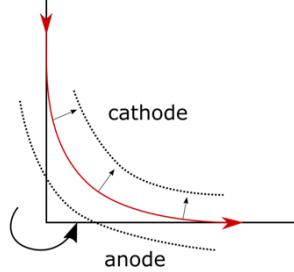
table: bending radius, varying E_k

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electrostatic inflectors



mirror inflector: particle energy is variable, simple design



spiral inflector: force always perpendicular to velocity vector, no energy change

velocity vector rotates around vertical axis due to action of magnetic field; other solutions exist, e.g. hyperbolic inflector or even magnetostatic inflector



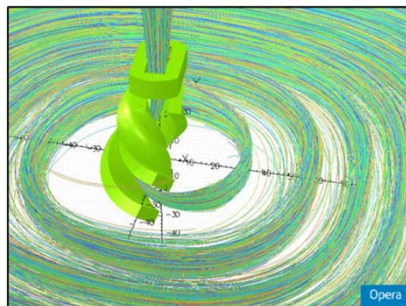
injection schemes – spiral inflector

- an electrostatic component, basically a capacitor
- E-field arranged perpendicular to orbit, particles move on equipotential surfaces

simulation of orbits injected through a spiral inflector



[inflector IBA Cyclone 30 cyclotron]




[courtesy: W.Kleeven (IBA)]

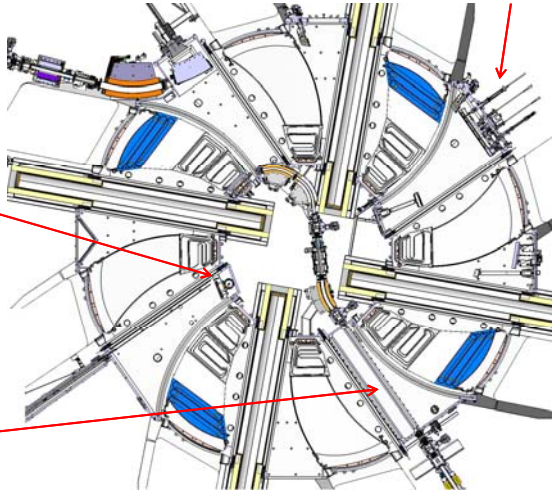


Horizontal Injection – Example PSI Ring Cyclotron

Injection element



extraction



Injection path (72MeV) in region of low field, passing along 3rd-harmonic (150MHz) resonator

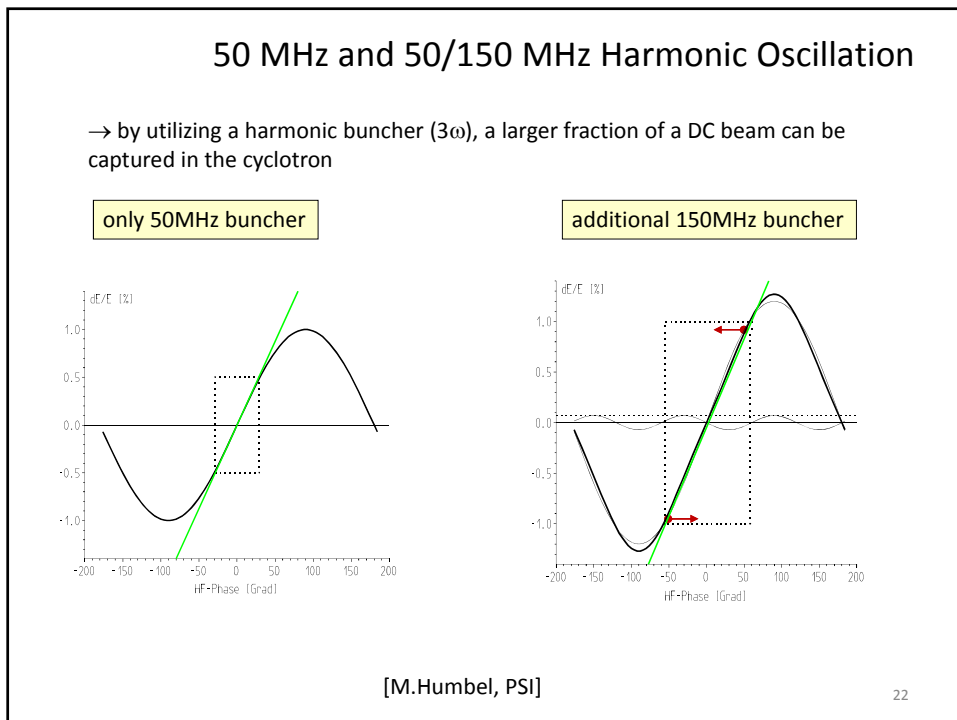
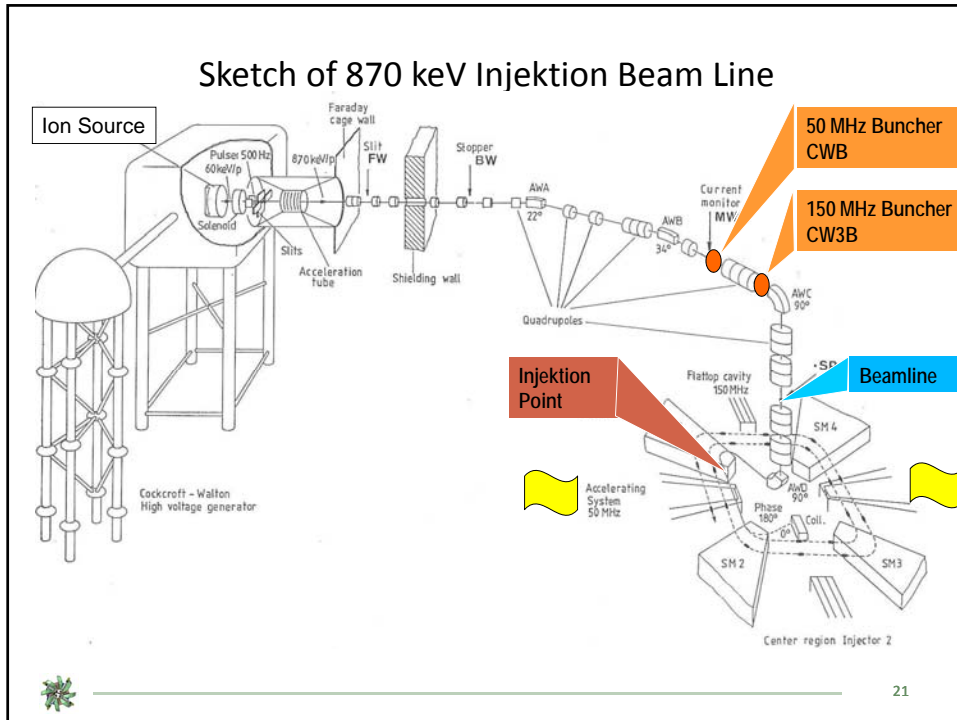
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Bunching for Cyclotrons

Ion sources deliver DC beam; for acceleration in an RF field the beam must be bunched; unbunched beam should be removed at low energy ($\leq 5\text{MeV}$) to avoid uncontrolled losses and activation

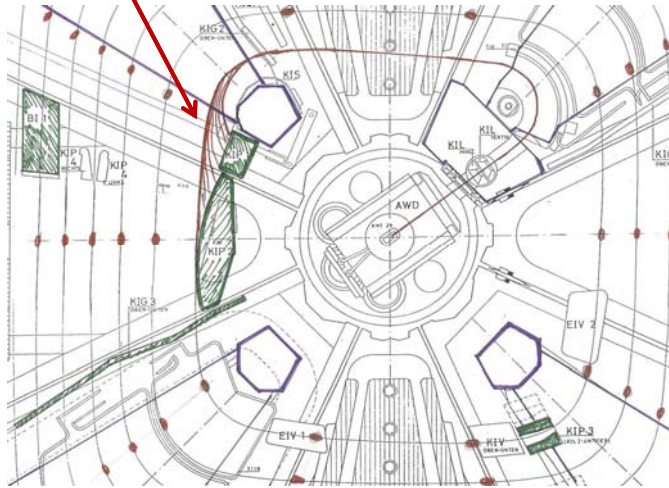
schemes applied in practice:

| | bunching in cyclotron | external buncher cavities | comment |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| internal source | x | | lowest cost and complication |
| external source | x | x | higher intensity, variety of ions |
| DC pre-accelerator Cockcroft-Walton | | x | low ΔE , costly |
| Radio Freq. Quadrupole (RFQ) | | x | compact, costly |



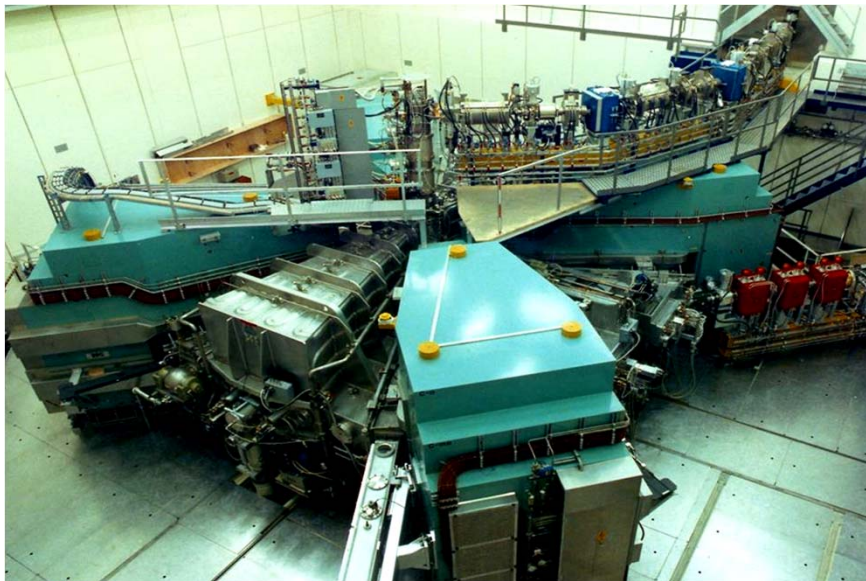
Center Region of PSI Injector 2

collimation of low energy protons and intensity control



0.86 → 72MeV
max 2.5mA, 180kW

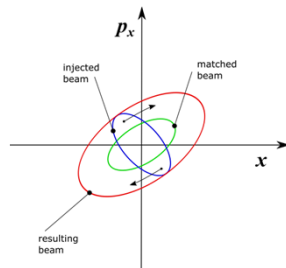
PSI Injector 2 and Injection Beamline



To Beamdump BX2

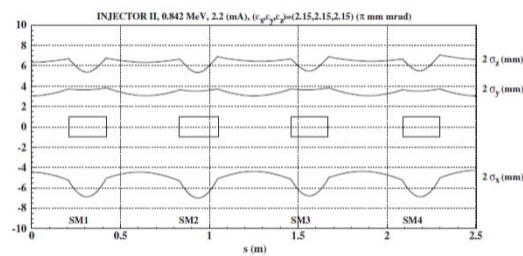
Transverse Matching

- Similar to a synchrotron the envelope function β varies around the circumference; the beam at injection must be matched to avoid blow up and sub-optimal beam distributions



nonetheless of the short «storage» time of a beam in a cyclotron, the distribution starts to filament, if not properly matched

example: beam sizes around the circumference for Inj II cyclotron, PSI [Ch.Baumgarten, [7]]



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transverse space charge

especially at low energy space charge effects are critical for the injection of high intensity beams

vertical force from space charge: $F_y = \frac{n_v e^2}{\epsilon_0 \gamma^2} \cdot y$, $n_v = \frac{N}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}} \sigma_y D_f R \Delta R}$
 [constant charge density, $D_f = I_{avg}/I_{peak}$]

thus, eqn. of motion: $\ddot{y} + \left(\omega_c^2 \nu_{y0}^2 - \frac{n_v e^2}{\epsilon_0 m_0 \gamma^3} \right) y = 0$

→ tune shift results in **intensity limit** (see [6])!

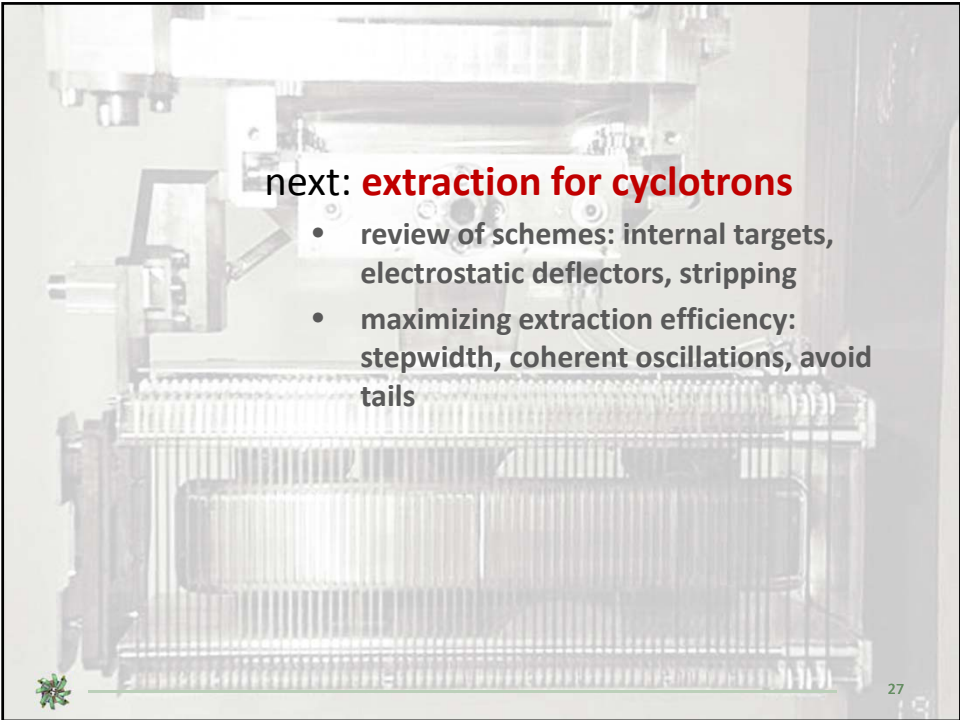
tune shift from forces: $\Delta \nu_y \approx -n_v \frac{2\pi r_p R^2}{\beta^2 \gamma^3 \nu_{y0}}$



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next: **extraction for cyclotrons**

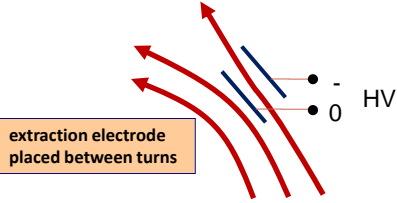
- review of schemes: internal targets, electrostatic deflectors, stripping
- maximizing extraction efficiency: stepwidth, coherent oscillations, avoid tails



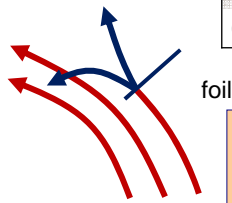
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electrostatic septum and charge exchange extraction

- simplest solution: use beam without extraction → **internal target**; use some mechanism to exchange target
- **electrostatic deflectors** with thin electrodes, deflecting element should affect just one turn, not neighbored turn → critical, cause of losses
- alternative: **charge exchange by stripping foil**; accelerate H^- or H_2^+ to extract protons (problem: significant probability for unwanted loss of electron; Lorentz dissociation: B-field low, scattering: vacuum 10^{-8} mbar)



extraction electrode placed between turns



foil

binding energies

| | |
|--------|---------|
| H^- | H_2^+ |
| 0.75eV | 16eV |

eg.: $H^- \rightarrow H^+$
 $H_2^+ \rightarrow 2H^+$

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derivation of relativistic turn separation in a cyclotron

starting point: bending strength
 → compute total log.differential
 → use field index $k = R/B \cdot dB/dR$

$$BR = \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \frac{m_0 c}{e}$$

$$\frac{dB}{B} + \frac{dR}{R} = \frac{\gamma d\gamma}{\gamma^2 - 1}$$

$$\frac{dR}{d\gamma} = \frac{\gamma R}{\gamma^2 - 1} \frac{1}{1+k} \quad \text{slide 5}$$

radius change per turn

$$\frac{dR}{dn_t} = \frac{dR}{d\gamma} \frac{d\gamma}{dn_t} \quad [U_t = \text{energy gain per turn}]$$

$$= \frac{U_t}{m_0 c^2} \frac{\gamma R}{(\gamma^2 - 1)(1+k)}$$

$$= \frac{U_t}{m_0 c^2} \frac{R}{(\gamma^2 - 1)\gamma}$$

isochronicity not conserved (last turns)

isochronicity conserved (general scaling)



discussion: scaling of turn separation

for clean extraction a large stepwidth (turn separation) is of utmost importance; in the PSI Ring most efforts were directed towards maximizing the turn separation

general scaling at extraction:

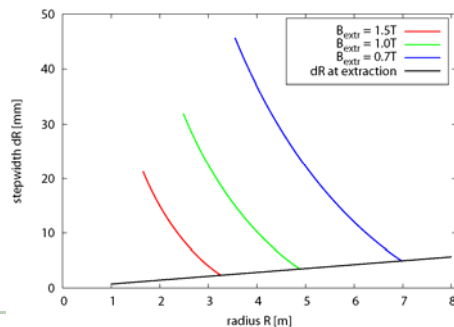
$$\Delta R(R_{\text{extr}}) = \frac{U_t}{m_0 c^2} \frac{R_{\text{extr}}}{(\gamma^2 - 1)\gamma}$$

- desirable:
- limited energy (< 1GeV)
 - large radius R_{extr}
 - high energy gain U_t

scaling during acceleration:

$$\frac{dR}{dn_t} \approx \frac{U_t}{m_0 c^2} \frac{R}{\beta^2} \rightarrow \Delta R(R) \propto \frac{1}{R}$$

illustration:
 stepwidth vs. radius in cyclotrons of different sizes; 100MeV inj → 800MeV extr



methods to enhance turn separation

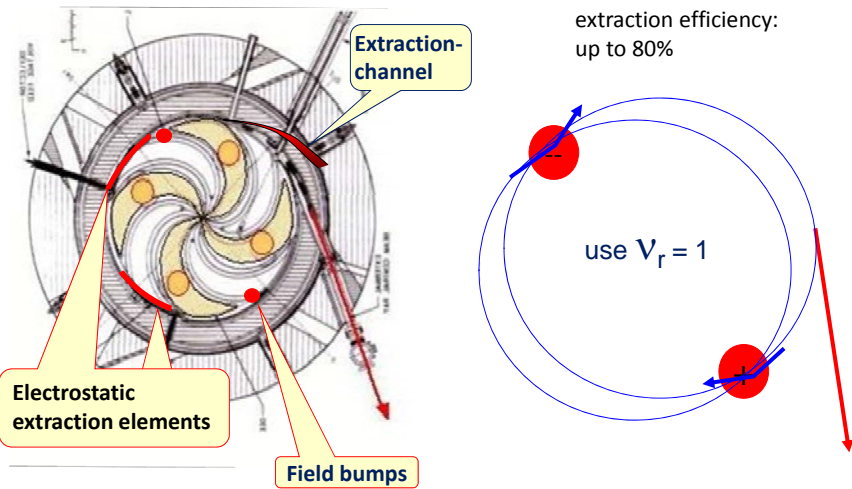
several techniques were invented to „artificially“ increase turn separation beyond the magnitude achieved by simple acceleration

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| „brute force“ | resonant orbit distortion is excited by harmonic coils beyond a certain radius |
| precessional extraction | resonant excitation at $\nu_r=1$ plus steep ν_r slope in fringe field |
| regenerative extraction | using coherent excitation at half integer resonance by gradient bump |

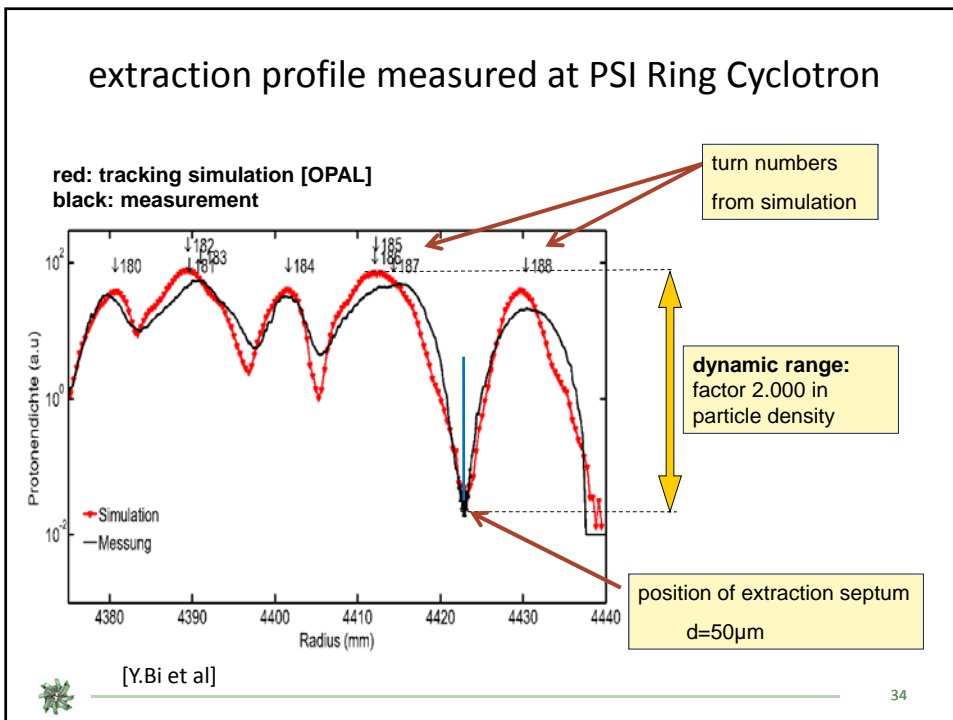
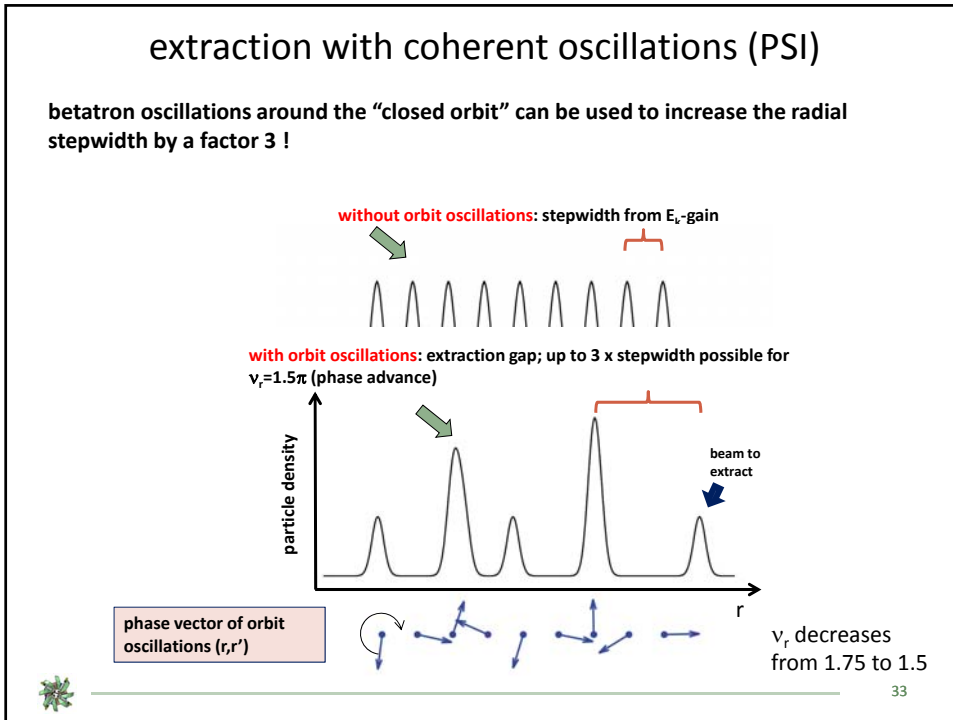
taken from Kleeven [1]



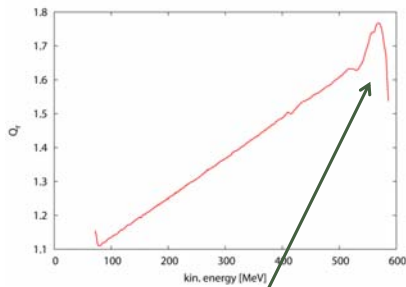
Resonant Extraction (Varian/Accel cyclotron)



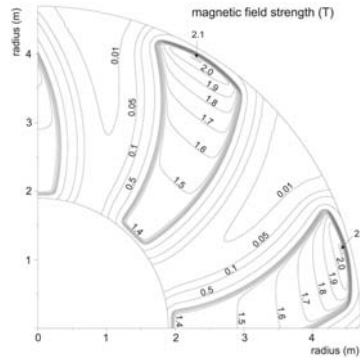
[M.Schippers, PSI]



vertical tune in Ring cyclotron supports extraction



radial tune vs. energy (PSI Ring)
 typically $\nu_r \approx \gamma$ during acceleration;
 but decrease in outer fringe field



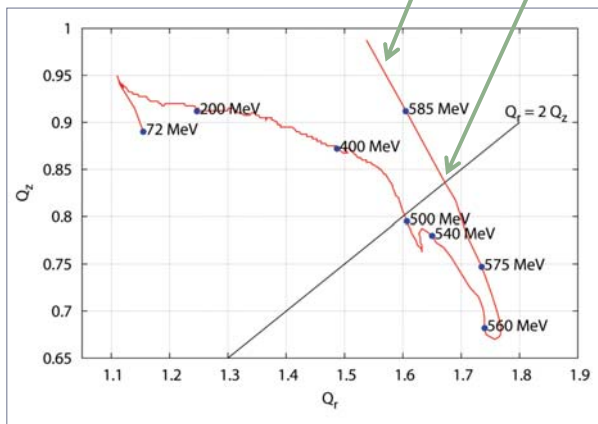
field map showing increase and steep decline of field with radius



PSI Ring Cyclotron – tune diagram

coupling resonance – pass quickly!

Q_r decreases towards extraction
 – enhance turn separation



comments:

- running on the coupling resonance would transfer the large radial betatron amplitude into vertical oscillations, which must be avoided
- special care has to be taken with fine-tuning the bending field in the extraction region



injection/extraction with electrostatic elements

parameters extraction chan.:
 $E_k = 590\text{MeV}$
 $E = 8.8\text{ MV/m}$
 $\theta = 8.2\text{ mrad}$
 $\rho = 115\text{ m}$
 $U = 144\text{ kV}$

major loss mechanism is scattering in 50 μm electrode!

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electrostatic rigidity:

$$E\rho = \frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma} \frac{E_k}{q}$$

injection element in Ring
Tungsten stripes

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Electrostatic Elements for High Energy/High Intensity

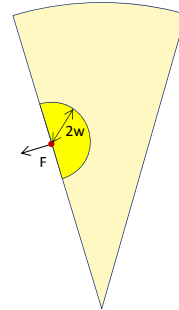
[D.Götz, PSI]

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longitudinal space charge (tails at extraction)

sector model:

- accumulated energy spread transforms into transverse tails
- consider rotating uniform sectors of charge (overlapping turns)
- test particle “sees” only fraction of sector due to shielding of vacuum chamber with gap height $2w$



two factors are proportional to the number of turns:

- 1) the charge density in the sector
- 2) the time span the force acts

$$\Delta U_{sc} \approx 2.800\Omega \cdot eI_p \cdot \frac{n_{\max}^2}{\beta_{\max}}$$

derivation see [4]: Joho 1981

in addition:

- 3) the inverse of turn separation at extraction: $\frac{1}{\Delta R_{\text{extr}}} \propto n_{\max}$

→ the attainable current at constant losses scales as n_{\max}^{-3}

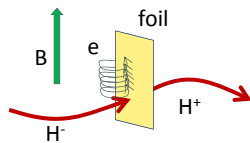


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extraction foil

- thin foil, for example carbon, removes the electron(s) with high probability
- new charge state of ion brings it on a new trajectory → separation from circulating beam
- lifetime of foil is critical due to heating, fatigue effects, radiation damage
- conversion efficiencies, e.g. generation of neutrals, must be considered carefully

electrons removed from the ions spiral in the magnetic field and may deposit energy in the foil



How much power is carried by the electrons?

→ velocity and thus γ are equal for p and e

$$E_k = (\gamma - 1)E_0$$

$$\rightarrow E_k^e = \frac{E_0^e}{E_0^p} E_k^p = 5.4 \cdot 10^{-4} E_k^p$$

Bending radius of electrons?

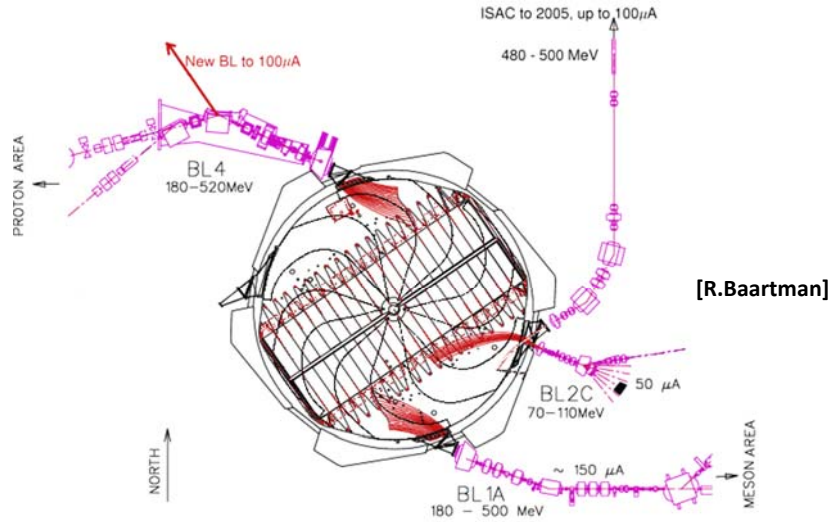
$$\rho^e = \frac{E_0^e}{E_0^p} \rho^p$$

→ typically mm



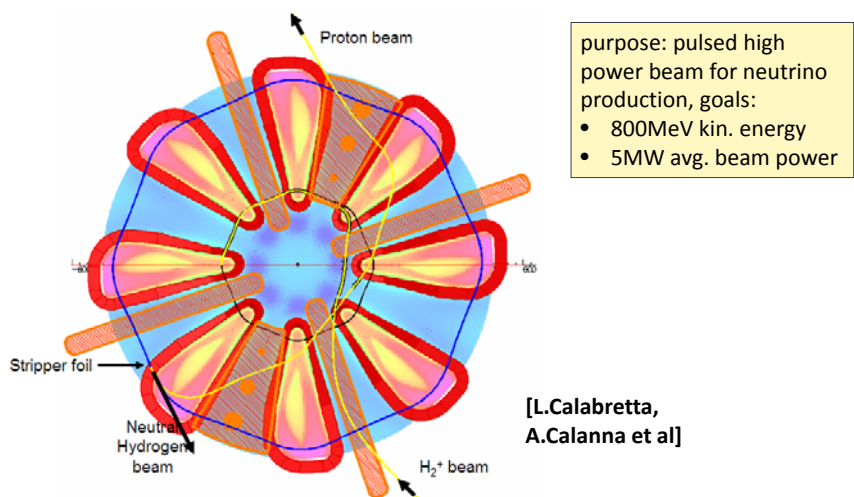
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example: multiple H⁻ stripping extraction at TRIUMF



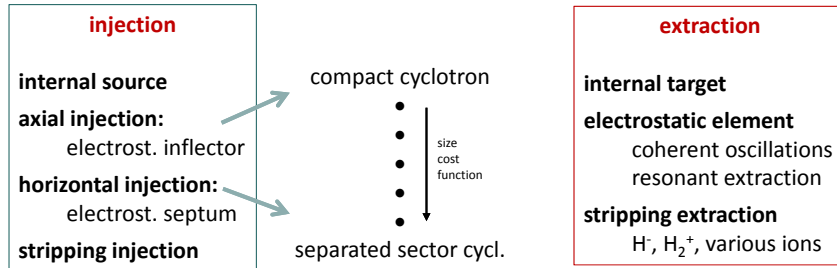
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example: H₂⁺ stripping extraction in proposed Daedalus cyclotron [neutrino source]



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Summary: Injection & Extraction for Cyclotrons



beam physics aspects:

central region design, beam centering, transverse matching, bunching, beam blowup/tails & loss minimization & activation, space charge



literature w.r.t. cyclotron injection/extraction

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| [1] | comprehensive review of inj./extr. concepts | W.Kleeven (IBA), Injection and Extraction for Cyclotrons https://cds.cern.ch/record/1005057/files/p271.pdf |
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