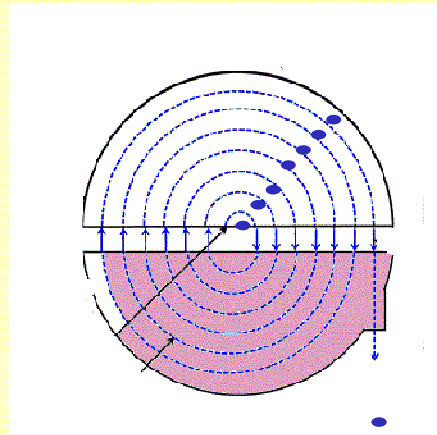


Beam dynamics for cyclotrons



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compact cyclotrons

Separated sectors (ring cyclotrons)

Synchrocyclotrons

Fixed energy

Variable energy

Superconducting

Normal conducting

OUTLINE

Chapter 1 : theory 1

- Principle
- Basic equation
- Longitudinal dynamics
- Transverse dynamics

Chapter 2 : specific problems

- Longitudinal dynamics
- Acceleration
- Injection
- Extraction

Chapter 3 :

- Design strategy
- Tracking
- Simulations

Chapter 4 :

- Theory vs reality
(tunes, isochronism, ...)

Exemples

- Medical cyclotron
- Research facility

CYCLOTRON HISTORY

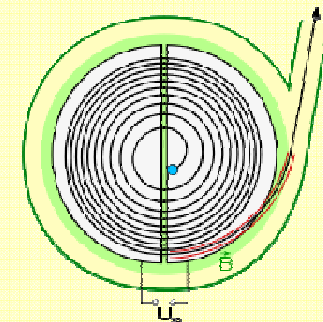
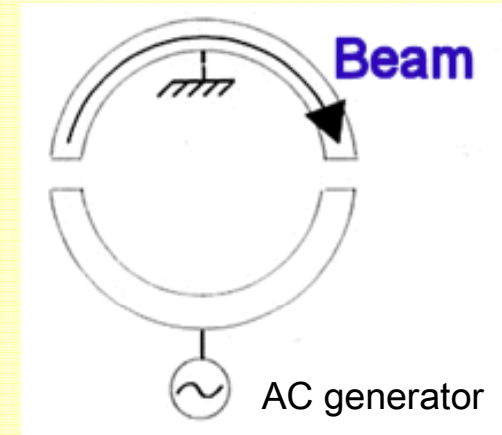
The Inventor, E. Lawrence, get the Nobel in Physics (1939) (first nuclear reactions without alpha source)



brilliant idea (E. Lawrence, Berkeley, 1929) : RF accelerating field is technically complex and expensive.

So Let 's use only 1 RF cavity, but many times

A device is put into a magnetic field, curving the ion trajectories and only one electrode is used several times.



What is a CYCLOTRON ?

- RF accelerator for the ions :

from proton $A=1$ to Uranium $A=238$

- Energy range for proton **1MeV -1GeV** (γ close to 1!!!)
- Circular machine : CW (and Weak focusing)
- Size Radius=30cm to $R=6m$
- RF Frequency : 10 MHz -50 MHz

APPLICATIONS : Nuclear physics

(from fundamental to applied research)

: Medical application

Radio Isotopes production (for PET scan,.....)

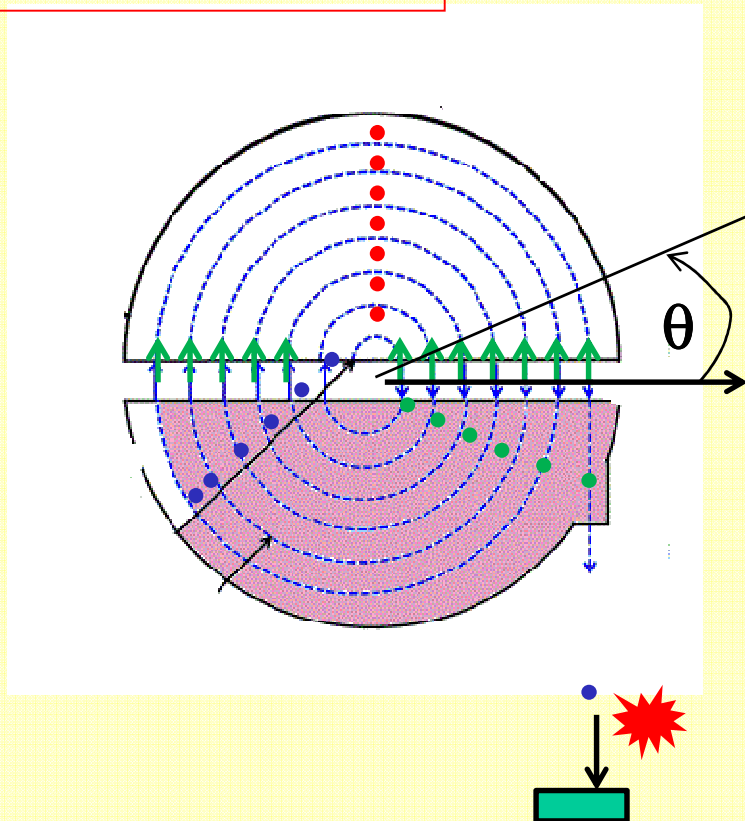
Cancer treatment

Quality : **Compact and Cost effective**

Usefull words for the cyclotrons

$$B\rho = \frac{P}{q} = \frac{\gamma m.v}{q}$$

$$E_K = (\gamma - 1).mc^2$$



Cyclotron vocable

r Radial = horizontal

z Axial = vertical

θ « Azimuth » = cylindrical angle

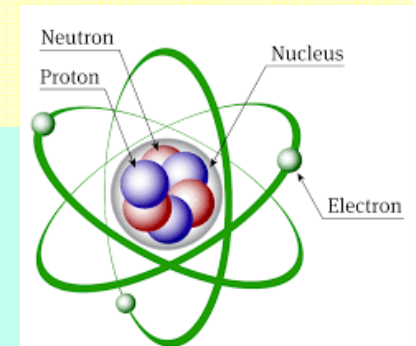
MeV/A= kinetic energy unit in MeV per nucleon

Ions : ${}^A_Z X^Q$

A : nucleons number

Z: protons number

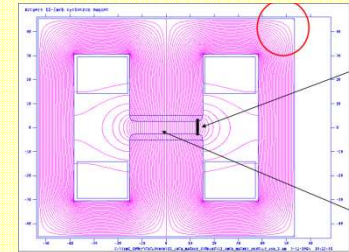
Q : charge state : 0+,1+,2+,.....



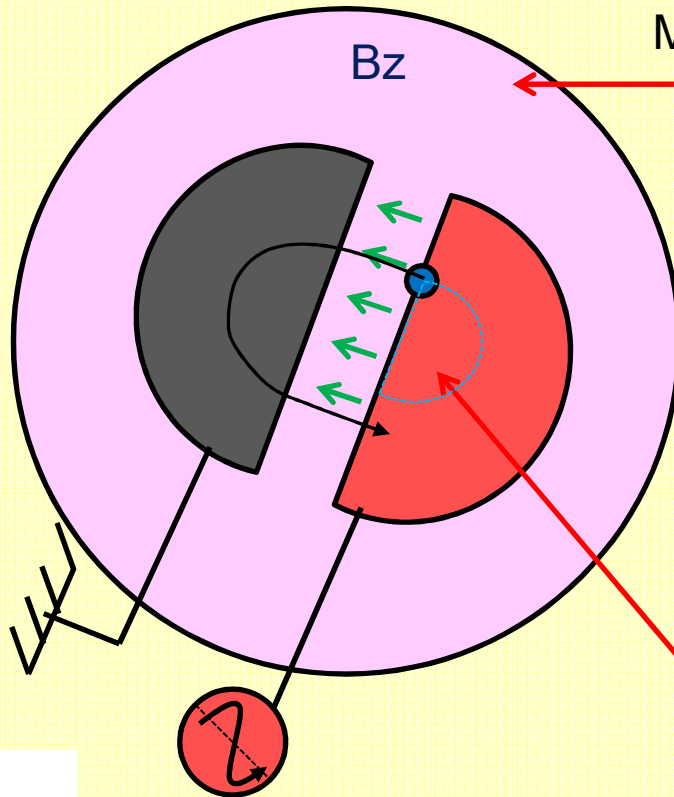
Principle :the hardware

$$\vec{E} = [V_1(t) - V_0] / d$$

$$\sim \cos(\omega t)$$



H-type
electro-magnet



Magnet

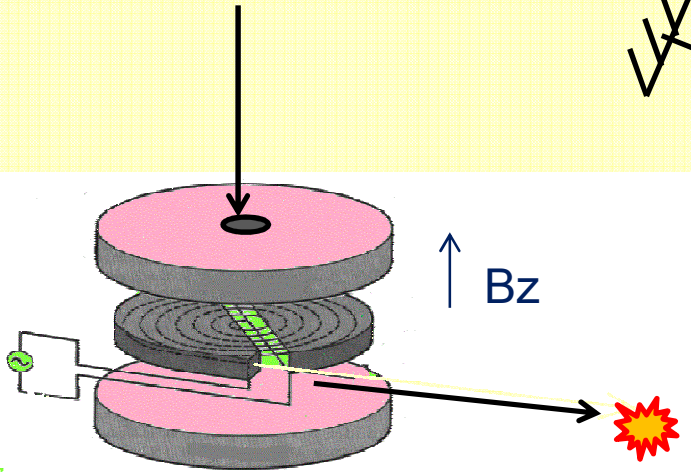
Accelerating Dee's

2 Copper boxes
≠ potential

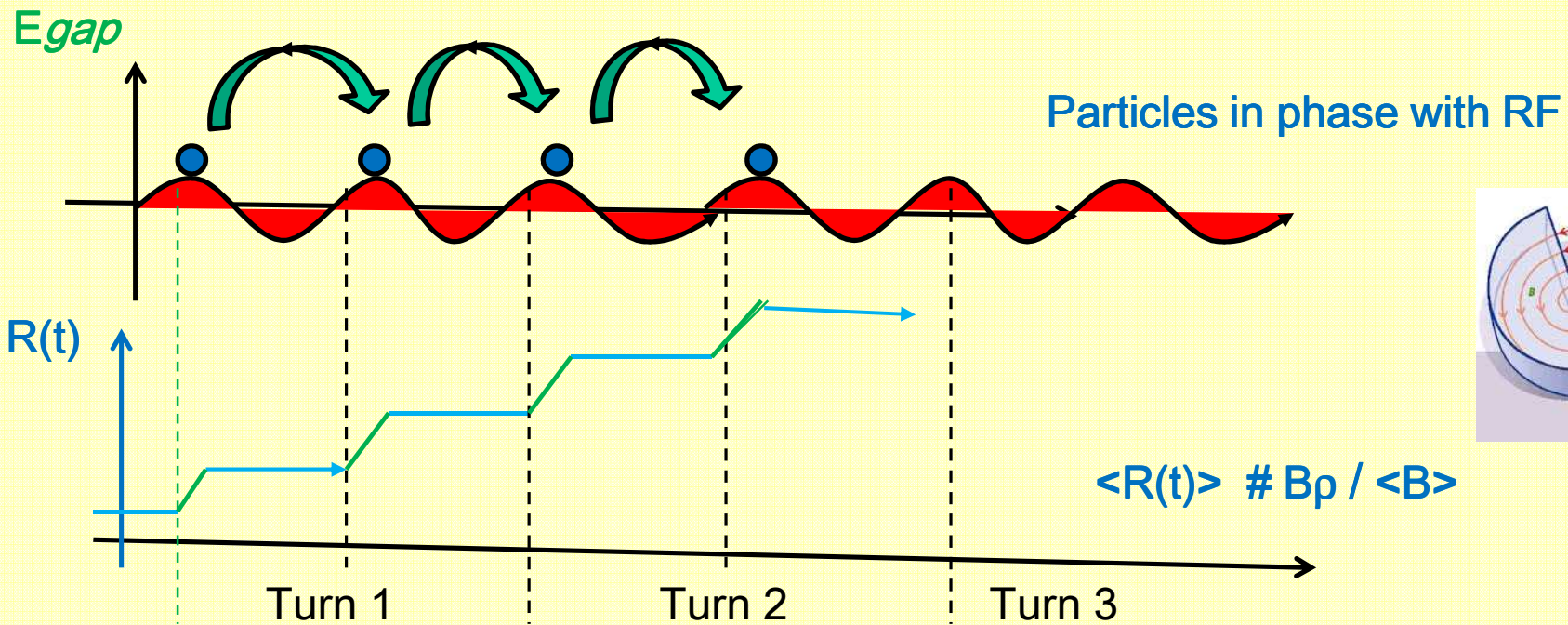
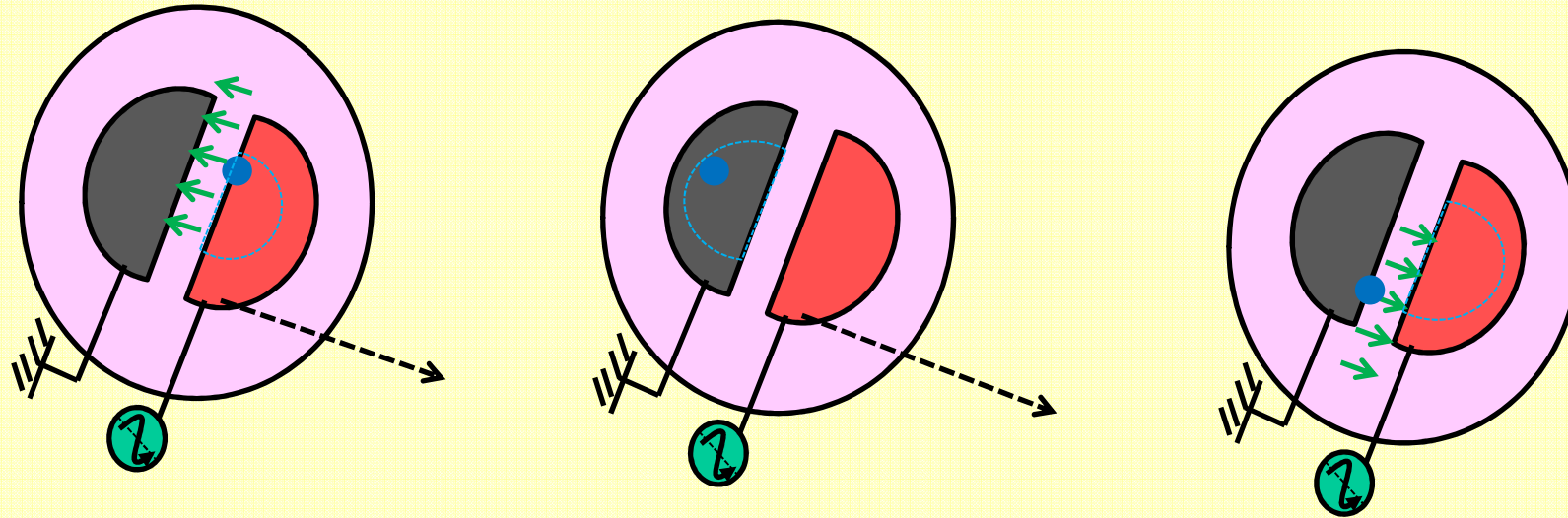
-half is $V_1(t) \sim \cos(\omega t)$

- half is
at the ground potential

AC generator



Principle B: the trajectories

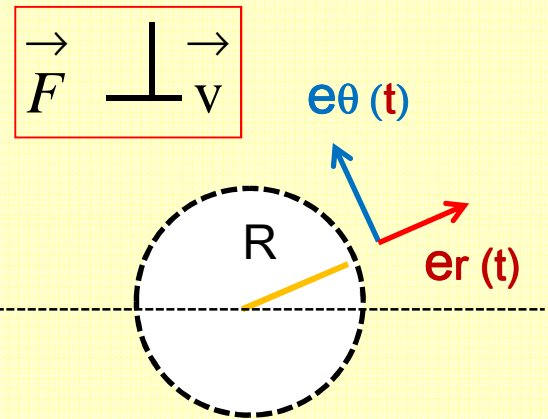


Trajectory in uniform B field $\frac{d(\gamma m \vec{v})}{dt} = \vec{F}$

Let's consider an ion with a charge q and a mass m circulating at a speed v_θ in a uniform induction field $\mathbf{B}=(0,0,B_z)$

The motion equation can be derived from the **Newton's law** and the **Lorentz force \mathbf{F} in a cylindrical coordinate system** ($\mathbf{e}_r, \mathbf{e}_\theta, \mathbf{e}_z$):

$$\frac{d(\vec{v})}{dt} = \vec{a} = \frac{d^2(R \cdot \mathbf{e}_r)}{dt^2} = \left[\frac{\|\vec{v}\|^2}{R} \right] \cdot \mathbf{e}_r$$



$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \vec{F} = q(\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) = -qv_\theta B_z \mathbf{e}_r$$

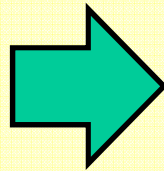
$$\gamma \frac{mv^2}{R} = -qv_\theta B_z$$

$$v_\theta = R \dot{\theta}$$

$$R = \frac{\gamma m v}{q B_z}$$

Trajectory in uniform B field

$$R = \frac{\gamma m v}{q B_z}$$

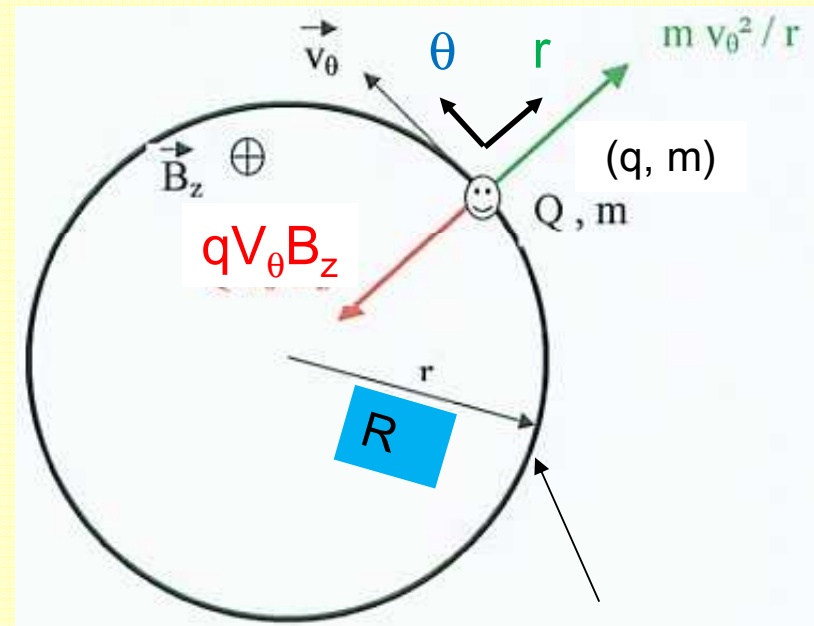


$$F_{\text{revolution}} = \frac{v}{2\pi R} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{qB}{\gamma m}$$



$$\omega_{\text{rev}} = \dot{\theta} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{v_\theta}{R} = \frac{qB}{\gamma m}$$

$$\omega_{\text{rev}} = \frac{qB}{\gamma m}$$



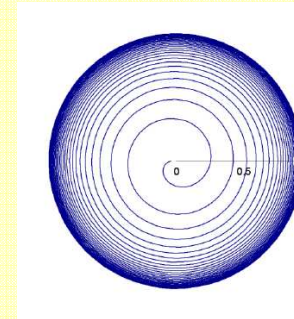
Centrifugal force = Magnetic force

$$\gamma \frac{m v_\theta^2}{R} = -q v_\theta B_z$$

Let's accelerate ions, in a constant vertical field B_z

The Radius evolves with P/q :

$$R(t) = \frac{P(t)}{qB_z} = \frac{\gamma mv}{qB_z}$$



For *non relativistic* ions (low energy) $\Rightarrow \gamma \sim 1$

In this domain, if $B_z = \text{const} \Rightarrow \omega = \text{const}$

$$\omega_{rev} = \frac{qB_z}{\gamma m} \approx \text{const}$$

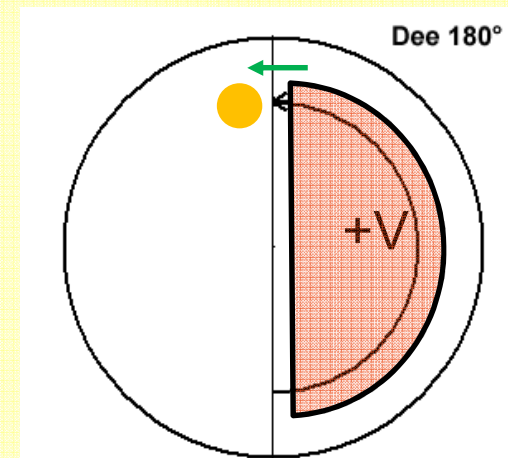
same ΔT for each Turn

So it is easy to synchronize a RF cavity
having a "D" shape, with accelerated ions

$$V = V_0 \cos(\omega_{RF} t)$$

$$\omega_{RF} = h \omega_{rev}$$

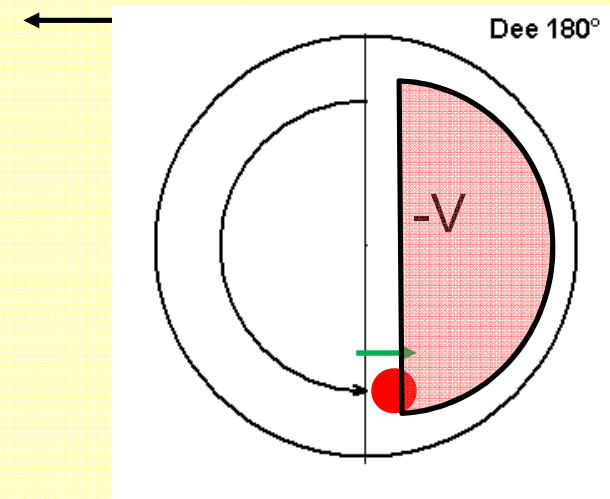
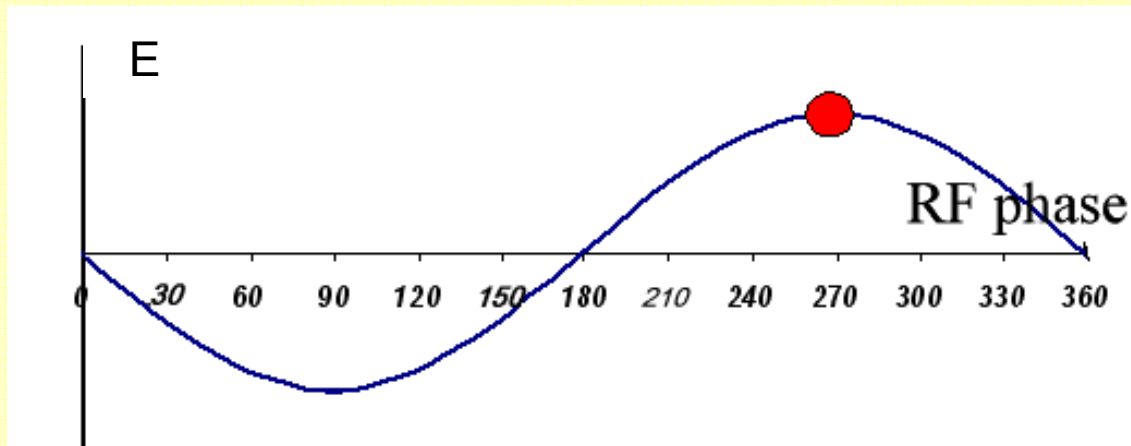
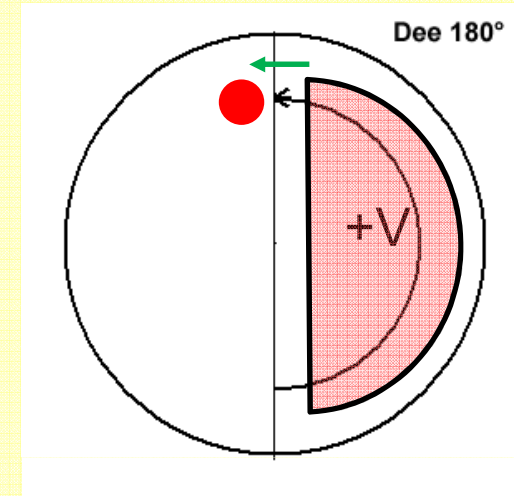
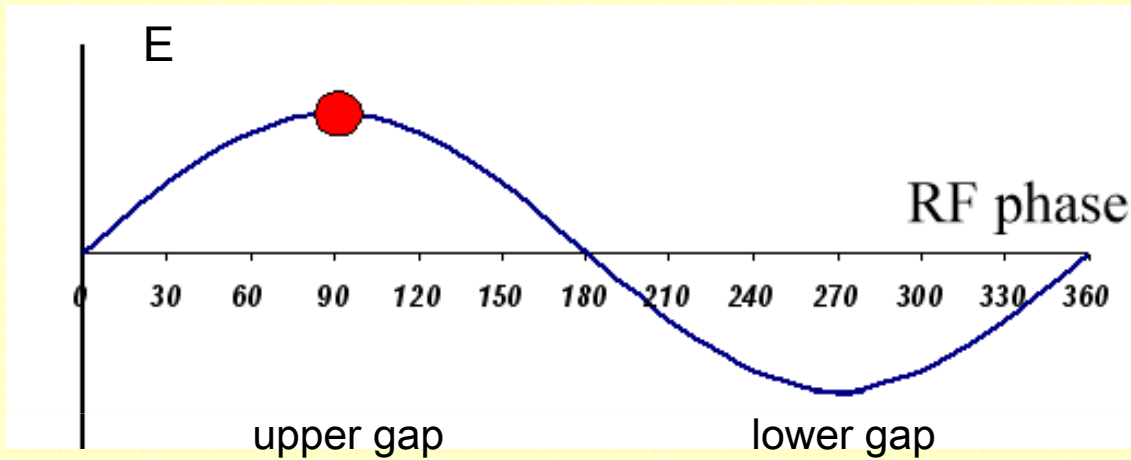
$h = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ called the RF harmonic number



Harmonic number $h = F_{RF} / F_{rev}$

$h = 1$

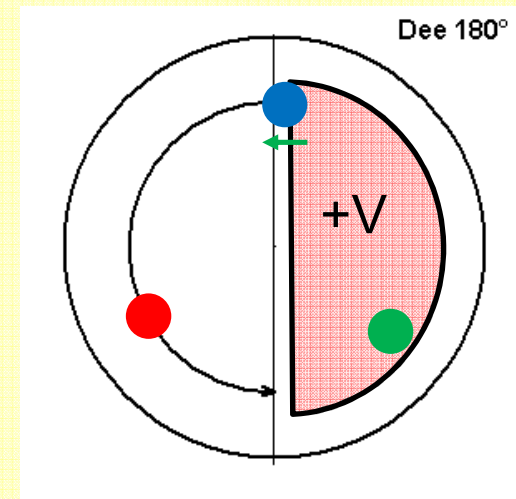
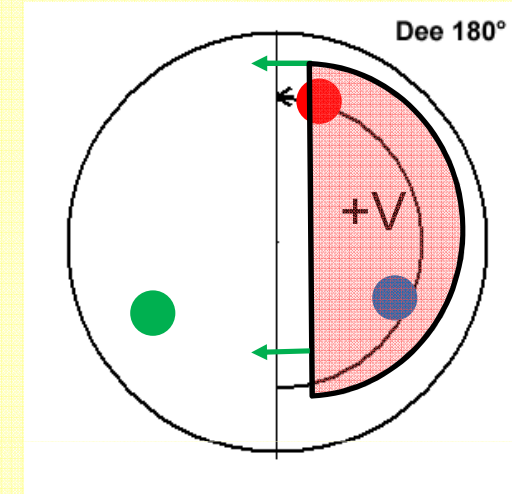
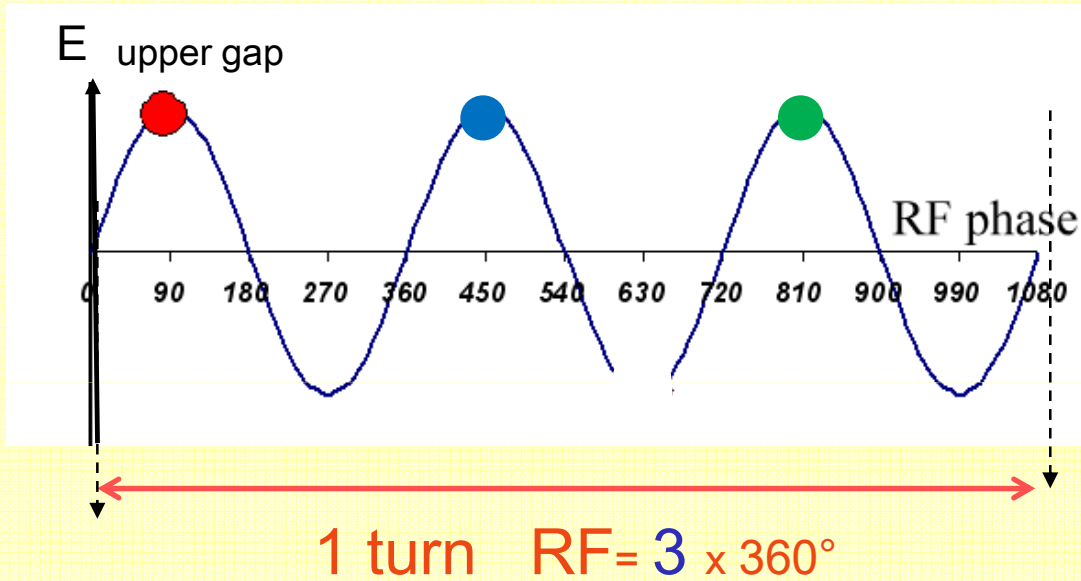
1 bunch by turn $\omega_{rf} = h \omega_{rev}$



Harmonic number $h = F_{RF} / F_{rev}$

$$h = 3$$

$$3 \text{ bunch by turn} \quad \omega_{rf} = h \omega_{rev}$$



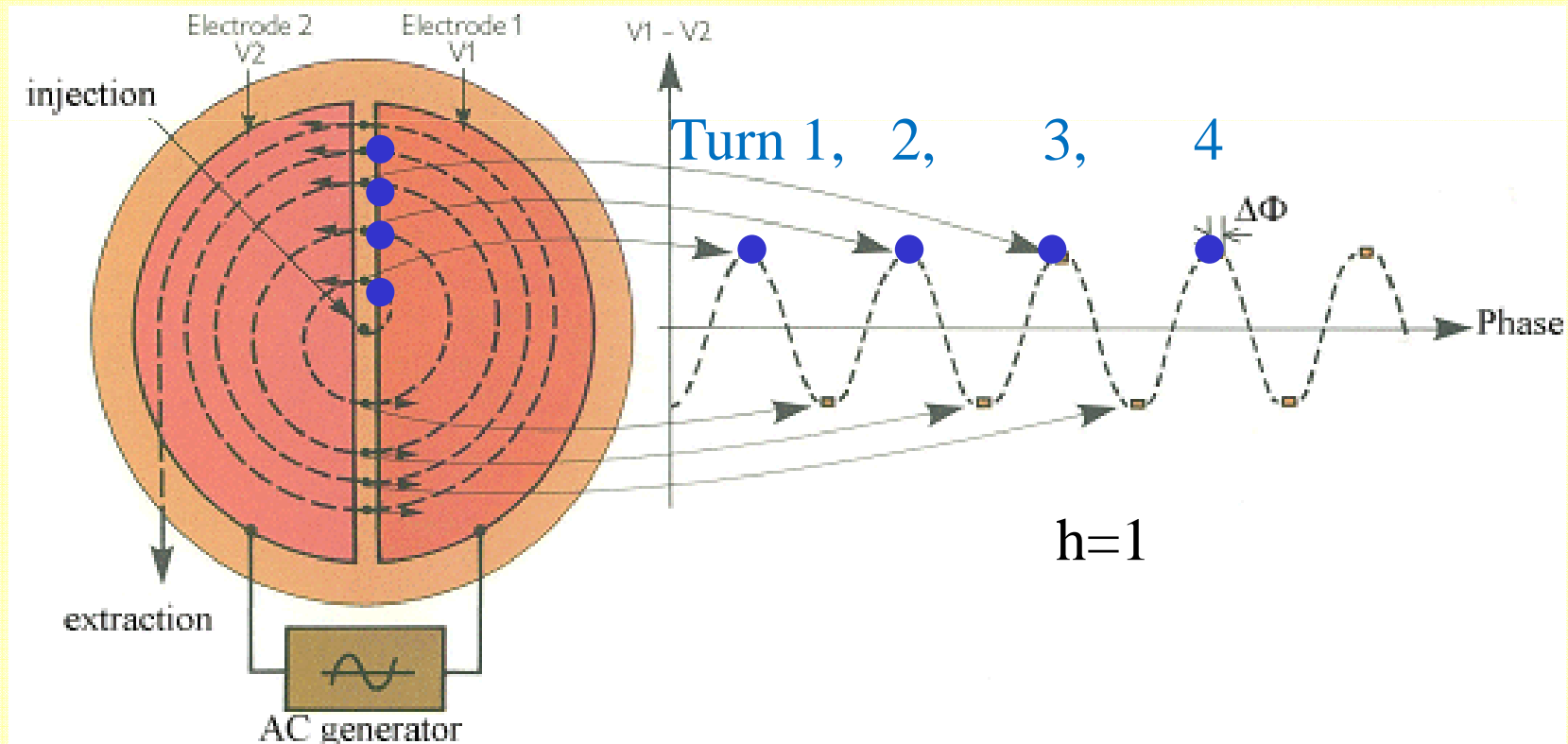
Over 360° the 3 beams are separated by

$$360^\circ / 3 = 120^\circ \text{ (beam phase)}$$

Isochronism condition: The particle takes the same amount of time to travel one turn : (constant revolution frequency $\omega_{rev} = \text{const}$)

and with $\omega_{rf} = h \omega_{rev}$, the particle is **synchronous** with the RF wave.

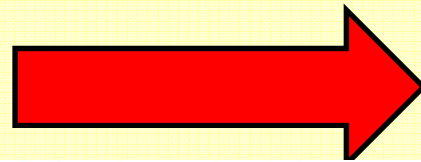
In other words, the particle arrives always at the same RF phase in the middle of the accelerating gap.



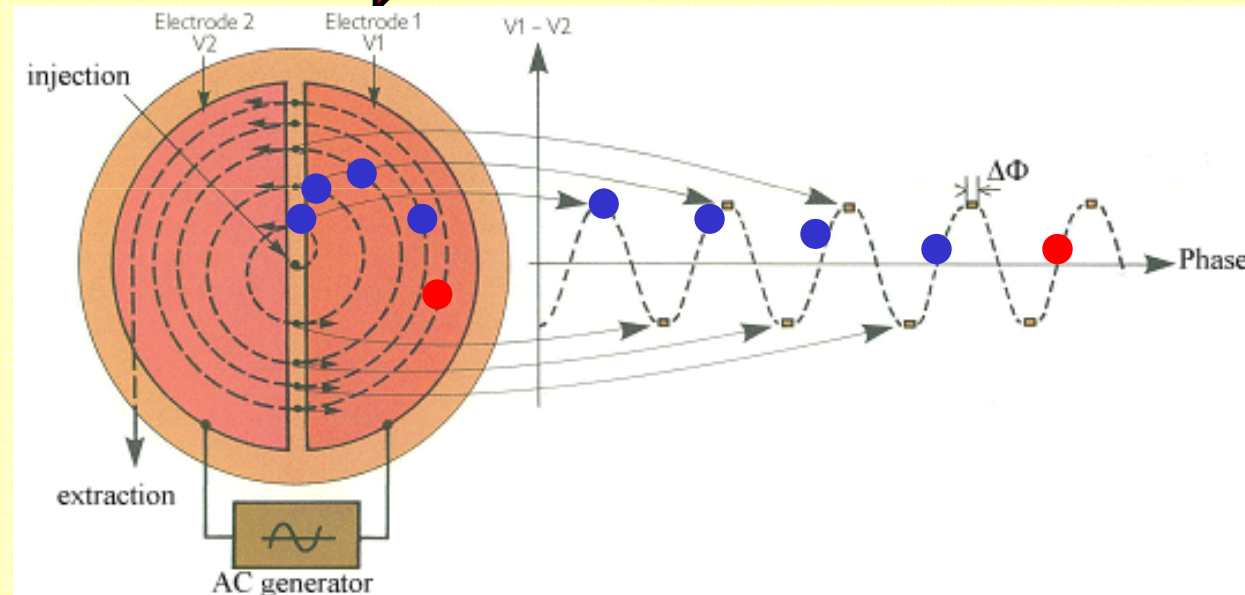
Longitudinals with relativistic particles

With $B_z = \text{constant}$, relativistic γ increases AND ω_{rev} decreases

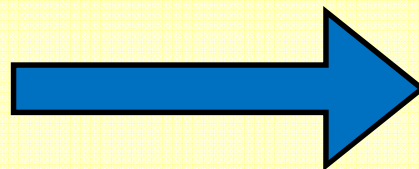
$$\omega_{rev} = \frac{qB}{\gamma m}$$



Isochronism condition not fulfilled



$$\omega_{rev} = \frac{q \cdot B_z(r)}{\gamma(r) m}$$



Isochronism condition fulfilled

$$B_z(R)/\gamma(R) = \text{CONSTANT}$$

Dynamics in cyclotron

summary

$$Qe_0 \hat{V} \cos \phi \cdot N_{gap}$$

Energy gain per turn

$$\phi_0 \approx 0^\circ$$

**Central RF phase ,
Ion bunches are centered at 0°**

$$\omega_{RF} = h\omega_{rev} = const$$

RF synchronism = Isochronism
(h - harmonic number)

$$\omega_{rev} = \frac{qB_z(R)}{\gamma(R)m} = const$$

$$R = R(t) = R(N^\circ turn)$$

Orbit evolving

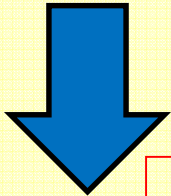
$$B\rho(t) = \frac{P}{q} \Rightarrow \langle B \rangle = B\rho / R$$

Average Magnetic field

Transverse dynamics in the cyclotrons

Isochronism condition
(longitudinal)

$$B_z = B_z(R)$$



$$\omega_{rev} = \frac{qB_z(R)}{\gamma(R)m} = const$$

We will show that that isochronism
have a bad consequence on
vertical oscillations

Vertical oscillations

$$\mathbf{z}(t) = z_0 \cos(v_z \omega_0 t)$$

Transverse dynamics with $B_z(r)$

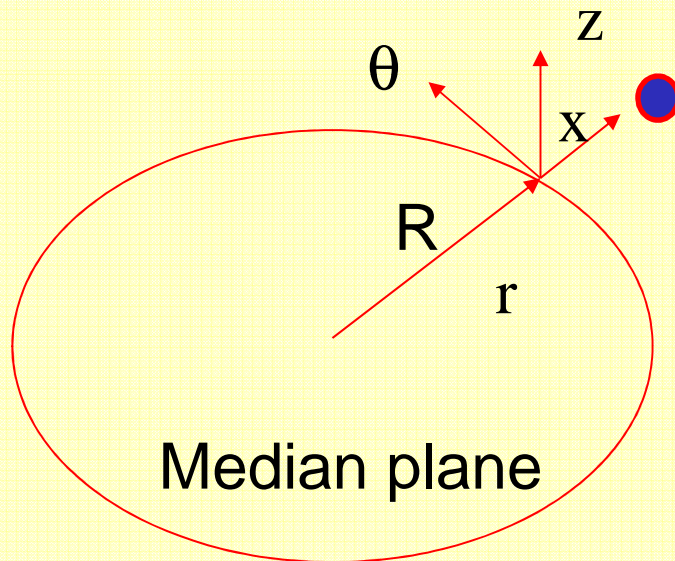
Steenbeck 1935, Kerst and Serber 1941

Horizontal stability : cylindrical coordinates (\mathbf{e}_r , \mathbf{e}_θ , \mathbf{e}_z)

and

define x a small orbit deviation with $B_z=B_z(r)$ (not constant)

$$\vec{r} = [R + x] \cdot \vec{e}_r = R \left(1 + \frac{x}{R}\right) \cdot \vec{e}_r$$



Closed orbit

$$x \ll R$$

(*Paraxial or Gauss conditions*)

$$\frac{d(\vec{v})}{dt} = \frac{d^2(R \cdot \vec{e}_r)}{dt^2} = \left[v^2 / R \right] \cdot \vec{e}_r$$

Radial dynamics with $B_z(r)$ (No RF)

- Taylor expansion of the field B_z around the median plane:

- $$B_z = B_{0z} + \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial x} x + \dots = B_{0z} \left(1 - n \frac{x}{R}\right)$$

n Definition

with
$$n = - \frac{R}{B_{0z}} \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial x} \quad \text{the field index}$$

- How evolve an ion in this non uniform B_z : $r(t) = R + x(t)$

$$m\gamma \frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} = -q v_\theta B_z$$

$$m\gamma \frac{d^2 (r \cdot \vec{e}_r)}{dt^2} = m\gamma \left(x + \frac{v_\theta^2}{r} \right) = m\gamma \ddot{x} + m\gamma \frac{v_\theta^2}{R} \left(1 - \frac{x}{R}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{R \left(1 + \frac{x}{R}\right)} = \frac{1}{R} \left(1 - \frac{x}{R}\right)$$

$$m\gamma \left(\ddot{x} + \frac{v_\theta^2}{R} \left(1 - \frac{x}{R}\right) \right) = q v_\theta B_{0z} \left(1 - n \frac{x}{R}\right)$$

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After simplification :

$$\text{and } \omega_{rev} = \frac{v_\theta}{R} = \frac{qB_{0z}}{m} = \omega_0$$

$$\ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 \cdot (1 - n) x = 0 \Rightarrow \ddot{x} + \omega_r^2 x = 0 \quad \omega_r^2 = \frac{v_\theta^2}{R^2} (1 - n)$$

Harmonic oscillator with the frequency

$$\omega_r = \sqrt{1 - n} \omega_0$$

Horizontal stability condition (ω real) :

$$n < 1$$

$n < 1$: B_z could decrease//or increase with the radius R

Horizontal stability is generally easy to obtain

Horizontal stability condition (ω real) :

$n < 1$: B_z could decrease//or increase with the radius R

$n < 0$: isochronism B_z should increase

Harmonic oscillator with the frequency

$$\ddot{x} + \omega_r^2 x = 0 \quad \omega_r = \sqrt{1 - n} \omega_0 = v_r \cdot \omega_0$$

Horizontal stability + isochronism

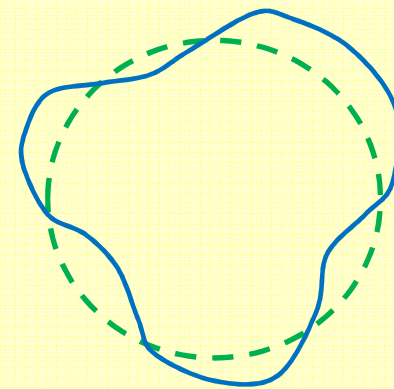
$n < 1$

+ $n < 0$

$$\omega_r^2 > 0$$

IF $n < 0$

$$r(t) = R_0(t) + x_0 \cos(v_r \omega_0 t)$$



Vertical dynamics with B (r)

Vertical motion in the non uniform Bz(r)

$$m\gamma \frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = F_z = q(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})_z = -q(r \dot{B}_\theta - r \dot{\theta} B_r)$$

$$\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_r & \mathbf{e}_z & \mathbf{e}_\theta \\ \dot{r} & \dot{z} & r\dot{\theta} \\ B_r & B_z & B_\theta \end{vmatrix}$$

Because $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = 0$ $\frac{\partial B_r}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial r} = 0$ $B_r = -n \frac{B_{0z}}{R} z$

Motion equation $\ddot{z} + \omega_z^2 z = 0$

Harmonic oscillator with the frequency

$$\omega_z = \sqrt{n} \cdot r \dot{\theta} = \sqrt{n} \omega_0$$

Vertical stability condition : $n > 0$ (ω_z real)

$$\omega_z^2 = n \cdot \omega_0^2 > 0$$

$n > 0$: Bz could decrease with the radius R

Watch the vertical oscillations !!

Isochronism condition :

$n < 0$: $B_z(r)$ increase with r

Vertical stability condition :

$n > 0$: $B_z(r)$ should decrease

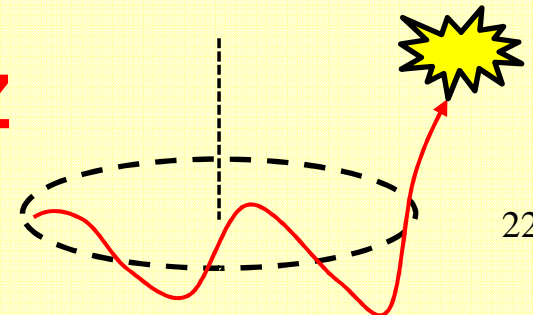
$$\omega_z = \sqrt{n} \omega_0$$

Isochronism condition will induce Unstable oscillations

$$z(t) \sim z_0 \exp(-i \omega_z t) = z_0 \exp(+|\omega_z t|)$$

Unstable oscillations in Z

= exponential growth = beam losses



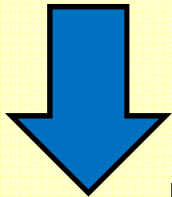
Vertical dynamics

let's to refocus in axial plan (z)

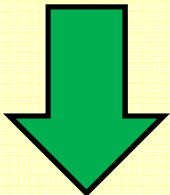
Isochronism condition
(longitudinal)

$$B = B_z(R)$$

$$\omega_{rev} = \frac{qB_z(R)}{\gamma(R)m}$$

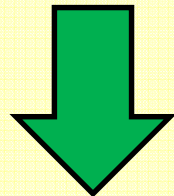


B_z should increase with R ($n < 0$)



Unstable Vertical oscillations

Unstable oscillation $z(t) = z_0 \exp(+\sqrt{|n|} \omega_0 t)$



Additive Vertical focusing is needed

$$\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_r & \mathbf{e}_z & \mathbf{e}_\theta \\ \dot{r} & \dot{z} & r\dot{\theta} \\ B_r & B_z & B_\theta \end{vmatrix}$$

B_θ component needed ($F_z = -q v_r B_\theta$) : « AVF » Cyclo

Azimuthally Varying Field (AVF)

Vertical weak focusing : $B_z = f(R, \theta)$

Isochronism $n < 0$: B_z increase

Vertical stability : $B_z(r)$ Defocus + B_θ Focus

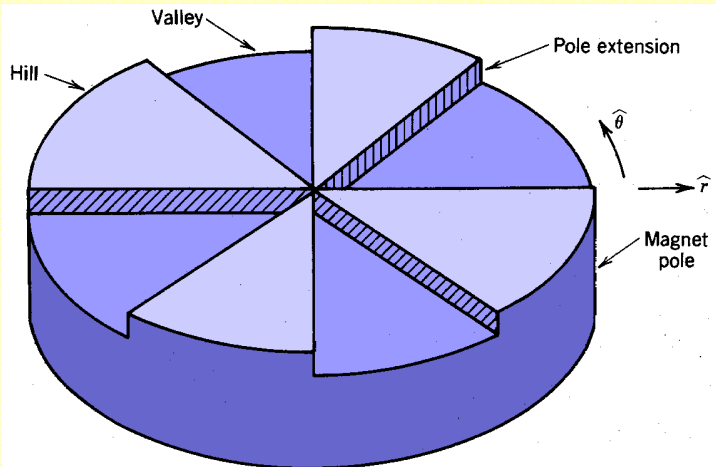
B_z should oscillate with θ to compensate the instability

- Vertical force F_z , with radial component B_r (possible)

• $F_z \sim q v_r B_\theta$: Vertical focusing

$$B_z = f(R, \theta)$$

$$\frac{\partial B_\theta}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial \theta} = 0$$



$$B_\theta = g(R, \theta)$$

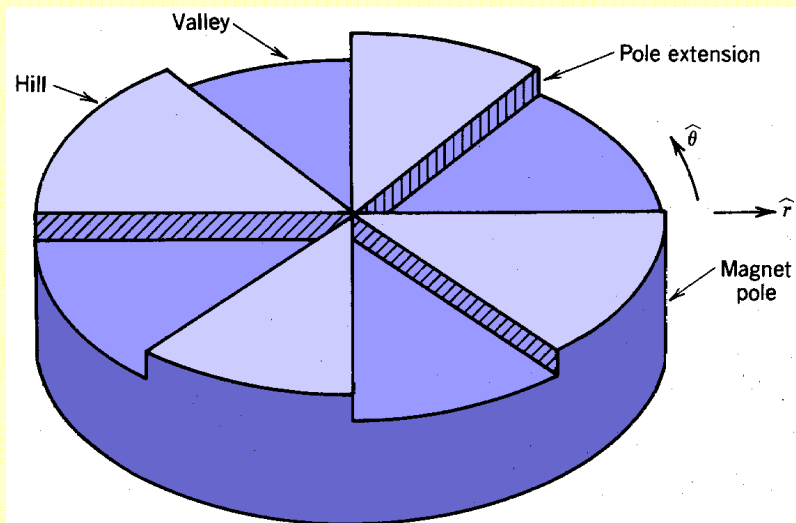
Like edge focusing in dipole magnet :
 B_z variation can produce vertical forces

Azimuthally Varying Field : AVF Cyclo

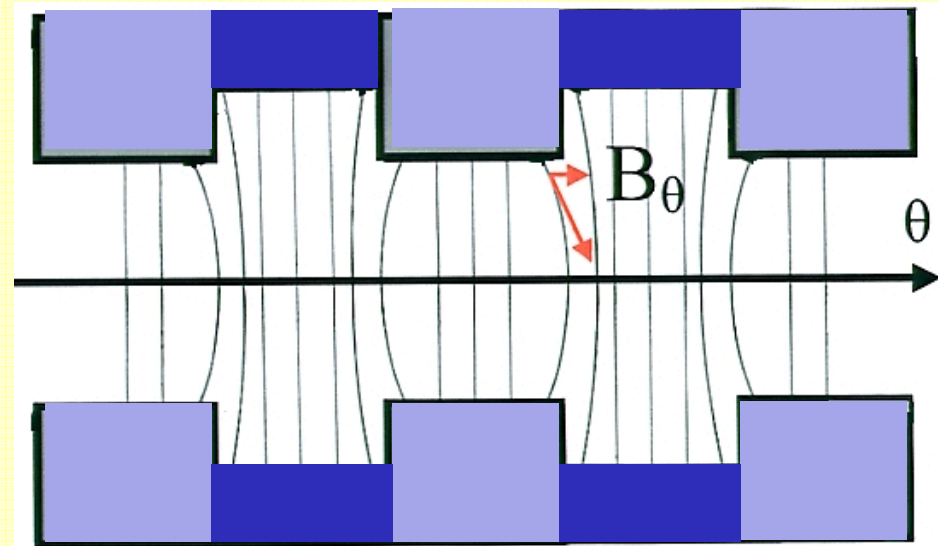
Azimuthally varying Field (AVF)

B_θ created by:

- Succession of high field and low field regions
- B_θ appears around the median plane
 - valley : large gap, weak field
 - Hill : small gap, strong field



N=4 sectors



Hill valley Hill valley

Azimuthally varying Field (AVF) cyclo

V_r created by :

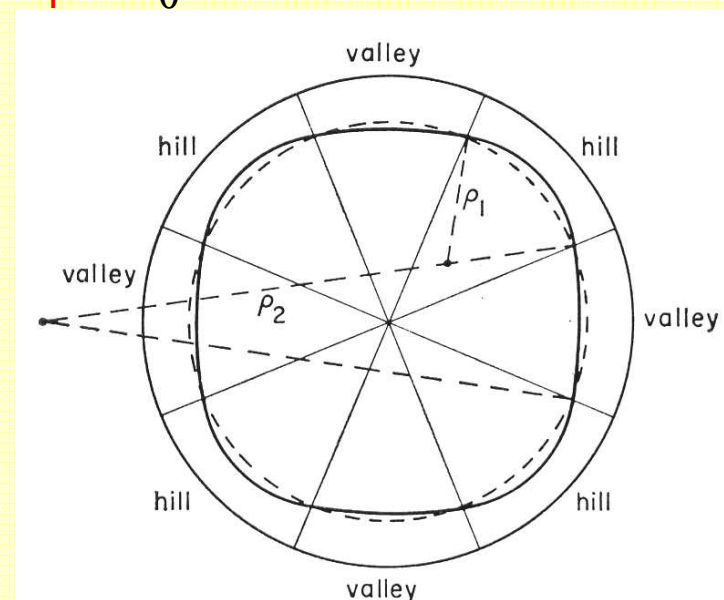
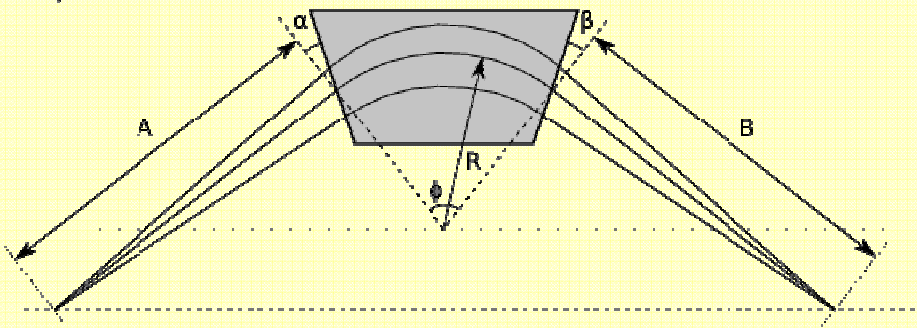
- Valley: weak field, large trajectory curvature
- Hill : **strong field**, small trajectory curvature

➡ Trajectory is not a circle

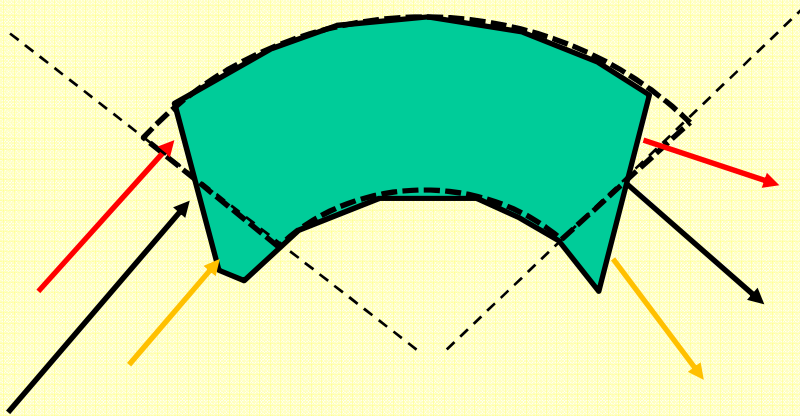
- Orbit not perpendicular to hill-valley edge

➡ Vertical focusing $F_z \propto V_r \cdot B_\theta$

Like edge focusing in Dipole Magnet



Edge focusing in dipole magnet recap

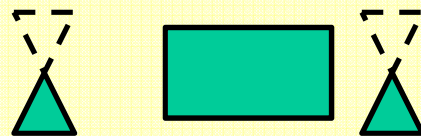


Non perpendicular edge in dipole magnet can provide

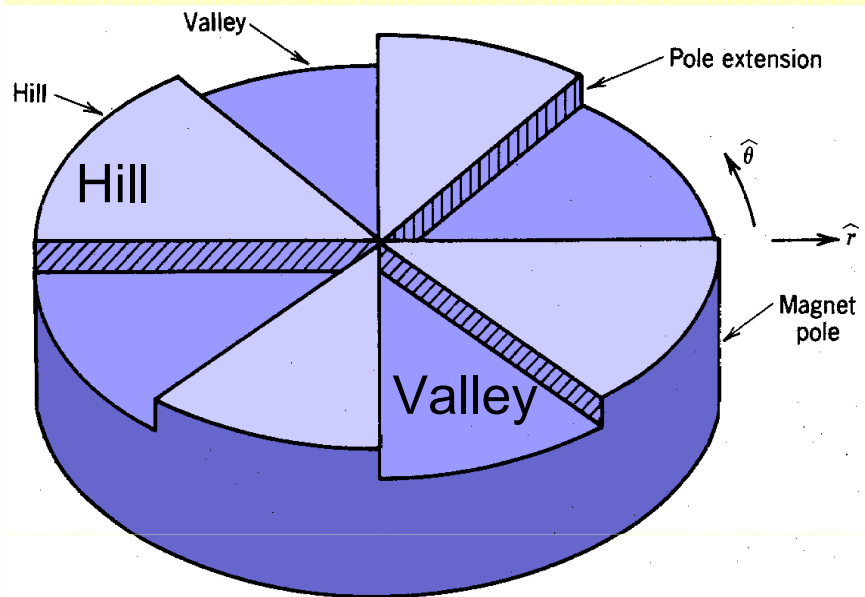
1) additive focusing in vertical + 2) defocusing in horizontal plane

The optical Transfer Matrix is

$$M_{\text{dipole}} = M_{\text{edge1}} \cdot M_{\text{body}} \cdot M_{\text{edge2}}$$



Vertical focusing with sectors



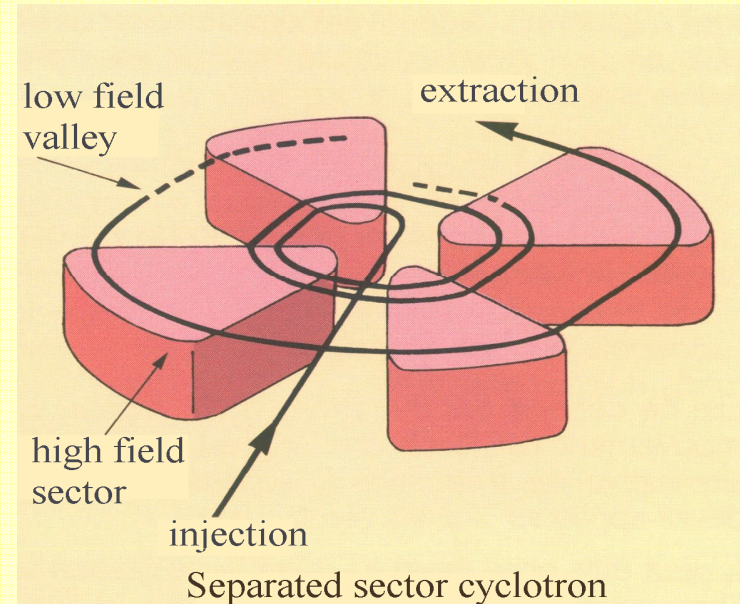
Compact cyclo : pole oscillation in θ

$$B_z = \langle B_0 \rangle [1 + f \cdot \cos (N \theta)]$$

$$f < 1 \quad f = 0.5 \cdot (B_{hill} - B_{valley}) / \langle B_0 \rangle$$

FLUTTER function (definition)

$$F_l = \frac{(B_{hill} - B_{valley})^2}{8 \langle B \rangle^2}$$



Separated magnet generate field oscillation in θ

$$B_z = \langle B_0 \rangle [1 + \cos (N \theta)]$$

Separated sector cyclotron

The FLUTTER is larger

Larger vertical focusing

Separated sectors(ring) cyclotron

Focusing condition limit: ($n < 0$)

$$v_z^2 = n + \frac{N^2}{N^2 - 1} F_l + \dots > 0$$

Increase the flutter F_l , using separated sectors where $B_{\text{valley}} = 0$

$$F_l = \frac{(B_{\text{hill}} - B_{\text{val}})^2}{8 \langle B \rangle^2}$$



PSI= 590 MeV proton
 $\gamma=1.63$

➔ Separated sectors cyclotron
needed at “High energies” ($n=1-\gamma^2 \ll 0$)

Vertical focusing and isochronism

2 conditions to fulfill

- Increase the vertical focusing force strength:

$$v_z^2 = n + \frac{N^2}{N^2 - 1} F_l + \dots > 0$$

- Keep the isochronism condition true: $n < 0$

$$n = -\frac{R}{B_{0z}} \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial R} = 1 - \gamma^2 < 0$$

So we should have:

$$\frac{N^2}{N^2 - 1} F_l > \gamma^2 - 1$$

For High Energy cyclotron : 3 solutions for vertical stability

1) Increase N_{sectors}

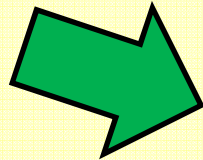
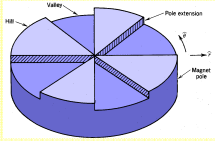
$N=3, 4, 6$

2) Larger Flutter (separated sectors) F_l

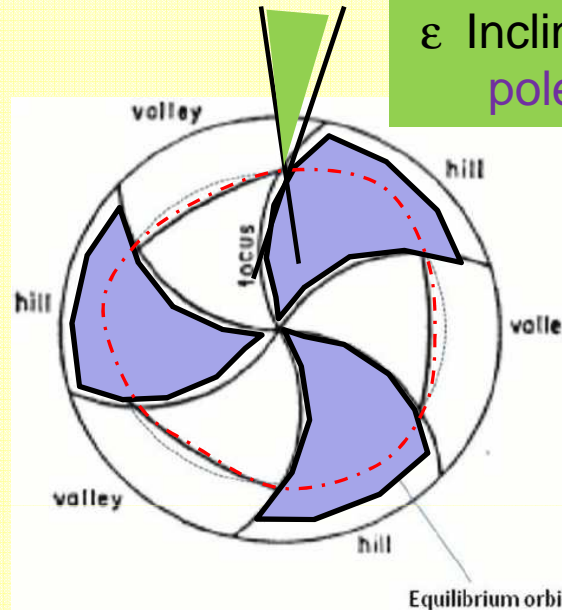
3) Other idea ??? Yes (spiralled sectors)

$$\frac{N_{\text{sec tor}}^2}{N_{\text{sec tor}}^2 - 1} F_l \nearrow$$

Better vertical focusing : Spiralled sectors



AVF with straight sectors



ε Inclination angle
pole edge AND Trajectory

AVF cycle with spiralled sectors

Larger vertical focusing

$$B_z = \langle B_0 \rangle (1 + f(r).g (r, \theta))$$

Spiral eq. $r = A.(\theta + 2\pi j / 2N)$

$$\tan \varepsilon = 2r/A$$

Additive vertical focusing : + FLUTTER $(1 + 2 \tan^2 \varepsilon)$

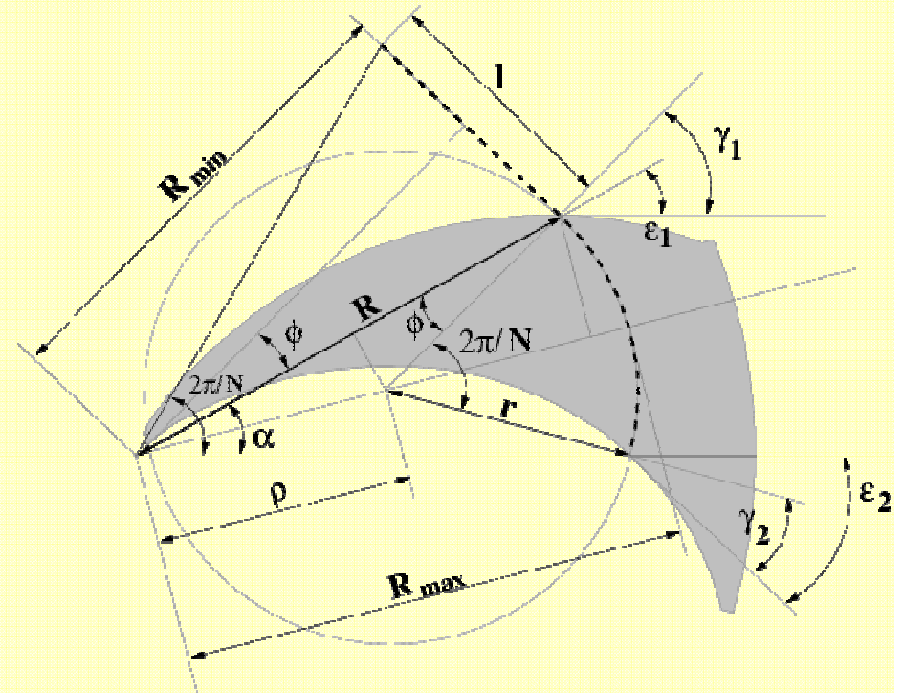
$$v_z^2 = n + \frac{N^2}{N^2 - 1} F_l (1 + 2 \tan^2 \varepsilon)$$

Spiralled sectors

By tilting the edges (ε angle) :

- The valley-hill transition became more focusing
- The hill-valley transition became less focusing

But by the strong focusing principle (larger betatron amplitude in focusing, smaller in defocusing), the net effect is focusing (cf F+D quadrupole).



$$v_z^2 = n + \frac{N^2}{N^2 - 1} F_l (1 + 2 \tan^2 \varepsilon)$$

Beam dynamics in the ISOCHRONOUS cyclotrons

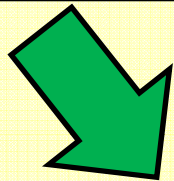
B=Constant ≠ Isochronism condition

A STRONG LIMITATION in energy $\gamma=1$
to get the ions synchronise With RF

$$\omega_{rev} = \frac{qB_z(R)}{\gamma(R)m}$$

$$B_z = B_0 \cdot g(R)$$

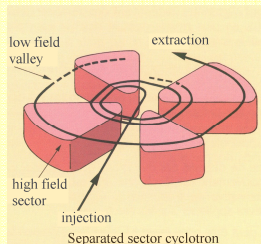
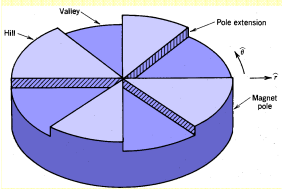
Bz increase with R (field index $n < 0$)



Unstable **Vertical oscillations**
strong limitation in transmission



Additive **Vertical focusing** is needed : N sectors (Hills//valleys)
separated Sectors
spiralled sector
separated spiralled sectors



$$B_z = B_0 \cdot g(R, \theta)$$

One Other possibilities

SYNCHRO CYCLOTRON (NOT ISOCHRONOUS)

Acceleration condition with B_z decreasing ($n > 0$)

$\omega_{rev} = \text{not constant}$

Not isochronous !!

But no vertical instabilities!!

Revolution frequency evolves $F_{rev}(t) = F_{rev}(\text{Radius})$

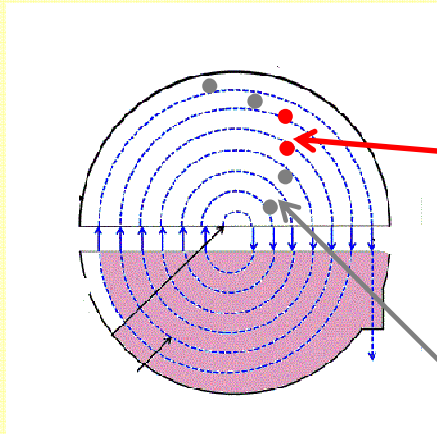
beam has to be synchronise With RF :

$$\omega_{rev}(R) / h = \omega_{RF}(R)$$

Revolution frequency is evolving $F_{RF}(R)$

Pulsed Machine $\omega_{RF}(t)$: SYNCHRO CYCLOTRON

Synchro-cyclotrons

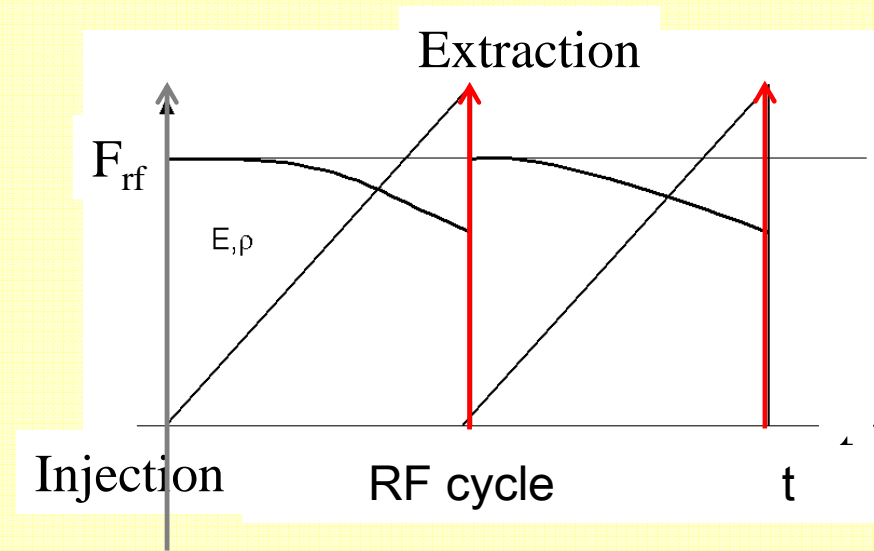


Pulsed beam

Accelerated bunches

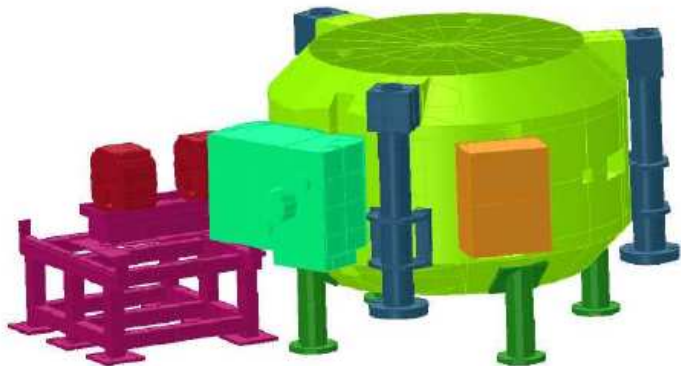
$$F_{RF} = h F_{rev}$$

Not accelerated



Less intensity (pulsed) available (not cw)

Exemple : medical aplication
Superconducting synchrocyclo.



ProteusOne® (IBA) : 250 MeV proton

$B_z = 5.7 - 5.0$ Tesla (very compact)

Reextraction = 0.6 m / harmonics=1

RF= 93 MHz - 63 MHz (Reextraction)

Beam pulse : Every 1 ms

CYCLOTRONS

The Family

$$\omega_{rev} = \frac{qB_z}{\gamma m}$$

1

Conventional
cyclotrons

$B_z = \text{uniform}$
 $F_{rev} = \text{evolve with } \gamma !!!$
 $RF = \text{constant}$

NOT USED anymore
 Limited in energy : $EK < 1\text{MeV}$

2: isochronous

Compact cyclotrons

1 magnet
with modulation

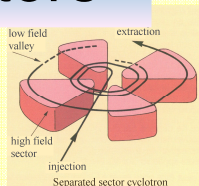


$B_z = \text{NOT uniform} = f(R)$
 $F_{revolution} = \text{Constant}$
 $RF = \text{constant}$

Isochronous

$$\omega_{rev} / h = \omega_{RF}$$

Separated sectors



Vertical focusing with
 $B_z = f(R, \theta)$

3 : non isochronous

Synchrocyclotrons

$F_{rev} = \text{NOT Constant}$
 $RF = \text{NOT Constant} = \text{beam pulsed}$

Not
Isochronous

Less intensity (pulsed) \neq cw

$$\omega_{rev}(R) / h = \omega_{RF}(t)$$

End Chapter 1