

# Space Charge

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# Introduction

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# Space Charge

The basic idea behind space charge is very simple. We impose electromagnetic fields on a beam of particles, but we must also take into account the EM fields *produced by the beam itself*.

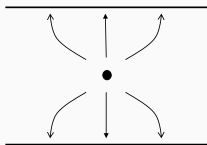
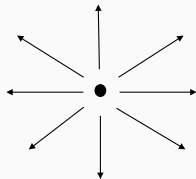
These fields can consist of:

1. Direct self fields

2. Image self fields

3. Wakefields

- not discussed in this lecture



# Space Charge

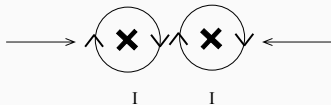
Consider two point charges,  $q$ , spaced a distance  $r$  apart. They experience a repulsive Coulomb force,

$$F_{elec.} = \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \quad (1)$$



In an accelerator the particles are moving with some velocity,  $v$ . This is equivalent to a current carrying wire with  $I = qv$ . Recall that between two current carrying wires, there is in fact an *attractive* force,

$$F_{mag.} = \frac{\mu_0 I^2}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{\mu_0 q^2 v^2}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{v^2}{c^2} F_{elec.} \quad (2)$$



Combining Eqns. [1] and [2], the overall force is repulsive

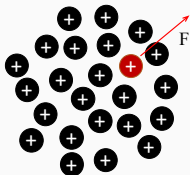
$$F_{total} = (1 - v^2/c^2)F_{elec}. \quad (3)$$

This cancels to almost zero in the case  $v \approx c$ , i.e. for electrons travelling near to the speed of light. For hadron (proton or ion) machines, often  $\beta = v/c \approx 0.5$  so the space charge repulsion becomes significant.

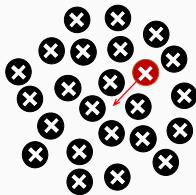
Of course, this is only for two charges. In reality we have a full beam with some intensity.

# Space Charge

If we take a cross-section through the beam:



Repulsive Coulomb force



Attractive magnetic force

Note that the force on a test particle at the *centre* of the beam is *zero* and the force increases nearer the beam edge.

## Aside: What does 'space charge' mean?

There are two 'regimes' to describe the net effects of Coulomb interactions in a system with many particles.

Collisional regime: dominated by particle-on-particle collisions and described by *single particle effects*.

Space Charge regime: dominated by the self fields of the distribution of particles themselves, which varies over distances which are larger than the average particle separation and described by *collective effects*.



## Aside: What does 'space charge' mean?

To tell which regime we're in, it is useful to consider the *Debye length*  $\lambda_D$ .

In a beam moving at relativistic velocity, but assuming the transverse motion is non-relativistic,

$$\lambda_D = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0 \gamma^2 k_B T}{q^2 n}} \quad (4)$$

$k_B$  is the Boltzmann constant,  $T$  is temperature, thus  $k_B T$  is the average kinetic energy of the particles, and  $n$  is the particle density  $N/V$ .

If the  $\lambda_D \ll a$  (beam radius), collective effects due to self fields play an important role and we can use smooth functions of the charge and field distributions. For most beams of practical interest<sup>1</sup>, collisional forces are small and can be neglected.

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<sup>1</sup>See M. Reiser, Chapter 4 for more discussion on this. Note that intrabeam scattering in high energy storage rings is an exception where collisional forces play a key role.

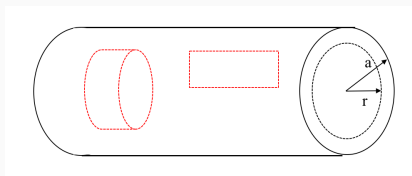
# Space Charge Forces

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# Unbunched Uniform Beam

Consider a beam as a continuous cylinder of charge, length  $l$ , beam radius  $a$ , charge density

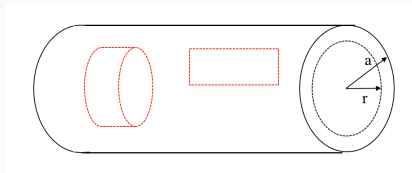
$$\rho(r) = qn(r) = \frac{I_{beam}}{\pi a^2 v} \quad (5)$$



The electric field is radial and inside the beam is given by Gauss' Flux theorem:

$$\int \epsilon_0 E \cdot dS = \int \rho dV \quad (6)$$

# Unbunched Uniform Beam



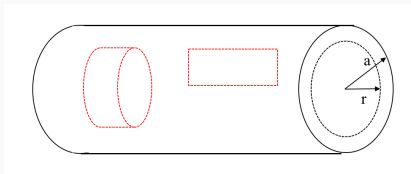
The electric field:

$$2\pi r l \epsilon_0 E_r = \begin{cases} \rho \pi r^2 l, & \text{if } r \leq a \\ \rho \pi a^2 l, & \text{if } r > a \end{cases}$$

Therefore:

$$E_r = \begin{cases} \frac{I_{beam}}{2\pi\epsilon_0\beta c} \frac{r}{a^2}, & \text{if } r \leq a \\ \frac{I_{beam}}{2\pi\epsilon_0\beta c} \frac{1}{r}, & \text{if } r > a \end{cases}$$

# Unbunched Uniform Beam



The magnetic field is angular,  $\vec{B} = B_\phi$  from Ampère's law:

$$\int B \cdot dl = \mu_0 \times \{\text{current flowing through a loop}\} \quad (7)$$

$$2lB_\phi = \mu_0 Jlr \quad (8)$$

Where  $J = \frac{I_{beam}}{\pi a^2}$ .

$$\therefore B_\phi = \frac{\mu_0 I_{beam} r}{2\pi a^2} \text{ for } r \leq a \quad (9)$$

# Unbunched Uniform Beam

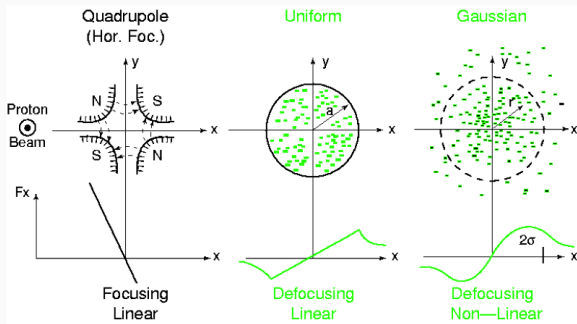
The force experienced by a test particle in the beam is given (as always...) by the Lorentz force. Taking the  $E$  and  $B$  fields from previous slides,

$$F_r = e(E_r - v_s B_\phi) \quad (10)$$

$$F_r = \frac{el_{beam}}{2\pi\epsilon_0\beta c} (1 - \beta^2) \frac{r}{a^2} = \frac{el_{beam}}{2\pi\epsilon_0\beta c^2} \frac{1}{\gamma^2} \frac{r}{a^2} \quad (11)$$

# Unbunched Uniform Beam

$$F_x = \frac{eI_{beam}}{2\pi\epsilon_0\beta c^2} \frac{1}{\gamma^2} \frac{x}{a^2}, \quad F_y = \frac{eI_{beam}}{2\pi\epsilon_0\beta c^2} \frac{1}{\gamma^2} \frac{y}{a^2} \quad (12)$$



In the x and y directions for a circular beam, uniform charge density this gives a linear force in x, y, decreasing with energy. Note this is a defocusing lens in BOTH planes.

# Unbunched Gaussian Beam

If instead we assume the bunch has a transverse Gaussian profile (a bit more realistic):

$$n(r) = A \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (13)$$

Where  $A = N/2\pi\sigma^2$  and  $N$  is particles per unit length. Working this through gives us the space charge force as:

$$F(r) = \frac{Nq^2}{2\pi\epsilon_0\gamma^2} \frac{1}{r} \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)\right) \quad (14)$$



# Space Charge in Transport Line

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## Hill's equation

In a FODO transport line, we know the motion is described by Hill's equation, where we can add a perturbation term from the force due to space charge:

$$x'' + (k(s) + k_{SC}(s))x = 0 \quad (15)$$

$k_{SC}$  is derived by expressing  $x''$  in terms of transverse acceleration  $d^2x/dt^2$  and thus of the force  $F_x$

$$x'' = \frac{2r_0 I_{beam}}{ea^2 \beta^3 \gamma^3 c} x \quad (16)$$

Where the classical particle radius  $r_0 = e^2 / (4\pi\epsilon_0 m_0 c^2) = 1.54 \times 10^{-18}$  for protons. Which yields the new Hill's equation:

$$x'' + \left( k(s) - \frac{2r_0 I_{beam}}{ea^2 \beta^3 \gamma^3 c} \right) x = 0 \quad (17)$$

## Incoherent tune shift

Space charge leads to defocusing in both planes, so we would expect that there will be a shift in betatron tune,  $\Delta Q$ . If we take the simplest case of an unbunched beam, with uniform circular cross section, we find by calculating the (effective) gradient errors around the ring:

$$\Delta Q_x = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi r} k_{SC} \beta_x(s) ds \quad (18)$$

Using  $k_{SC}$  from before:

$$\Delta Q = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi R} \frac{2r_0 I_b}{e\beta^3 \gamma^3 c} \frac{\beta_x(s)}{a^2} ds = -\frac{r_0 R I_b}{e\beta^3 \gamma^3 c} \left\langle \frac{\beta_x(s)}{a^2(s)} \right\rangle. \quad (19)$$

If we use that  $\left\langle \frac{\beta_x(s)}{a^2(s)} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0}$ , the 100% emittance, and replace  $I = Ne\beta c / (2\pi R)$ , we get for the *direct space charge tune shift*:

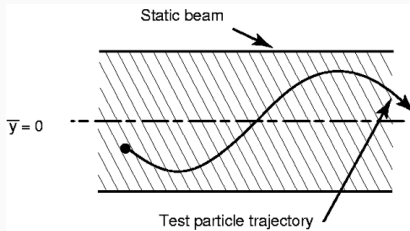
$$\Delta Q_{x,y} = -\frac{r_0 N}{2\pi \epsilon_{x,y} \beta^2 \gamma^3} \quad (20)$$

# Incoherent tune shift

Things to note about the tune shift:

$$\Delta Q_{x,y} = -\frac{r_0 N}{2\pi\epsilon_{x,y}\beta^2\gamma^3} \quad (21)$$

- 'Direct' space charge, unbunched beam in a synchrotron
- Vanishes for  $\gamma \gg 1$
- Important for low-energy machines
- Independent of machine size  $2\pi R$  for a given  $N$
- Incoherent motion - particle moves within the beam.



$$\Delta Q_{x,y} = -\frac{r_0 N}{2\pi\epsilon_{x,y}\beta^2\gamma^3} \quad (22)$$

Taking the values for the CERN PS Booster, (assume unbunched), calculate the tune shift:

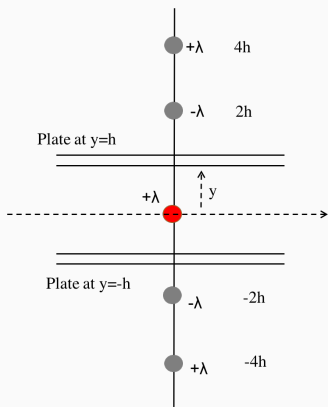
- $N = 1 \times 10^{13}$  protons
- $\epsilon_{x,y} = 80, 27 \mu\text{rad m}$
- $E = 50 \text{ MeV}$ , i.e.  $\gamma = 1.053, \beta = 0.314$

# Image Effects

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# Parallel Conducting Plates

Perfectly conducting plate parallel to beam pipe, produces an infinite system of images.



Field created by a line charge at distance  $d$  is

$$E_y = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{d} \quad (23)$$

From first pair of images:

$$E_{1y} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{2h-y} - \frac{1}{2h+y} \right) \quad (24)$$

$$E_{2y} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{4h-y} - \frac{1}{4h+y} \right) \quad (25)$$

## Parallel Conducting Plates

$$E_{iny} = \frac{(1)^{n+1}\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{2nh-y} - \frac{1}{2nh+y} \right) = (1)^{n+1} \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{y}{n^2 h^2} \quad (26)$$

$$E_{iy} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 h^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} y = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 h^2} \frac{\pi^2}{12} y \quad (27)$$

$$\therefore F_y^i = \frac{q\lambda}{\pi\epsilon_0 h^2} \frac{\pi^2}{48} y, F_x^i = -\frac{q\lambda}{\pi\epsilon_0 h^2} \frac{\pi^2}{48} x \quad (28)$$

- The vertical image field vanishes at  $y = 0$
- Field is linear in  $y$ , vertically defocusing
- Field is large if vacuum chamber is small



# Incoherent Tune Shift

The total incoherent tune shift for a round beam between parallel conducting walls:

$$\Delta Q_x = -\frac{2r_0 I_b R \langle \beta_x \rangle}{qc\beta^3\gamma} \left( \underbrace{\frac{1}{2 \langle a^2 \rangle \gamma^2}}_{\text{direct}} - \underbrace{\frac{\pi^2}{48h^2}}_{\text{image}} \right) \quad (29)$$

$$\Delta Q_y = -\frac{2r_0 I_b R \langle \beta_y \rangle}{qc\beta^3\gamma} \left( \underbrace{\frac{1}{2 \langle a^2 \rangle \gamma^2}}_{\text{direct}} + \underbrace{\frac{\pi^2}{48h^2}}_{\text{image}} \right) \quad (30)$$

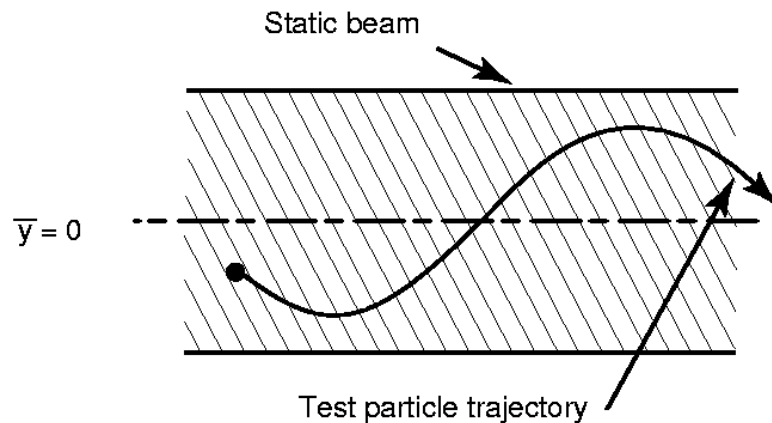
- Image effects  $\propto 1/\gamma$
- They do not vanish for large  $\gamma$  so not negligible for electron machines
- Electrical image effects are normally focusing in horizontal, defocusing in vertical plane
- Note there are also image effects from the ferromagnetic boundary

# Incoherent vs Coherent Effects

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# Incoherent and Coherent Motion

## Incoherent motion

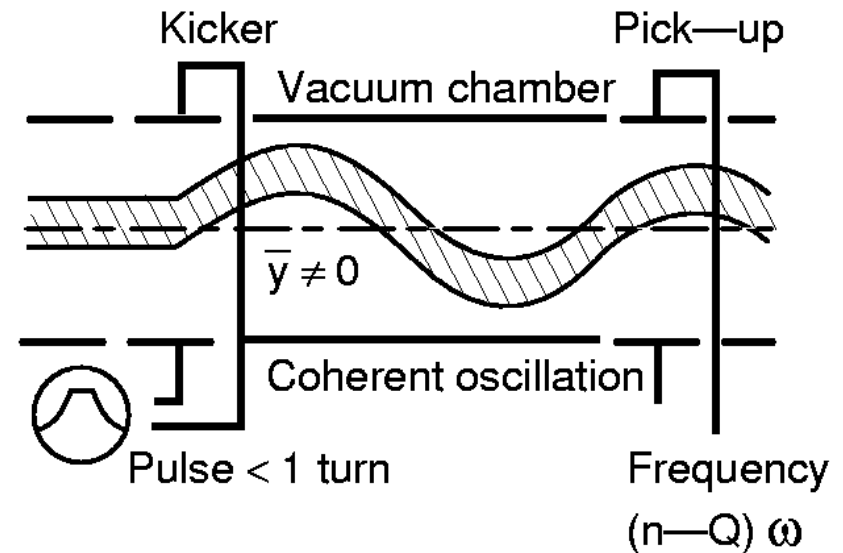


**Test particle in a beam whose centre of mass does not move**

**The beam environment does not "see" any motion**

**Each particle features its individual amplitude and phase**

## Coherent motion

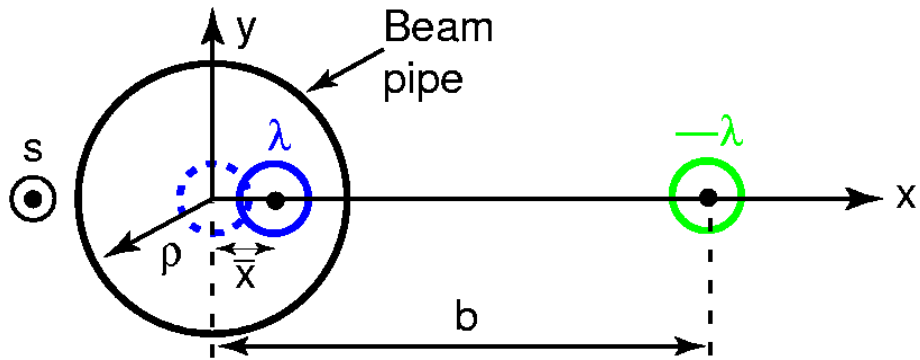


**The centre of mass moves doing betatron oscillation as a whole**

**The beam environment (e.g. a position monitor "sees" the "coherent motion")**

**On top of the coherent motion, each particle has still its individual one**

# Coherent Tune Shift, Round Beam Pipe



$\bar{x}$ ..hor. beam position (centre of mass)

$a$ ..beam radius

$\rho$ ..beam pipe radius ( $\rho \gg a$ )

$b\bar{x} = \rho^2$  (mirror charge on a circle)

$$E_{ix}(\bar{x}) = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{b - \bar{x}} \approx \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{b} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{\rho^2} \bar{x}$$

$$F_{ix}(\bar{x}) = \frac{e\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{\rho^2} \bar{x}$$

□ same in vertical plane (y) due to symmetry

□ force linear in  $\bar{x}$

□ force positive hence defocusing in both planes

$$\Delta Q_{x,y \text{ coh}} = -\frac{r_0 R \langle \beta_{x,y} \rangle I}{ec\beta^3 \gamma \rho^2} = -\frac{r_0 \langle \beta_{x,y} \rangle N}{2\pi\beta^2 \gamma \rho^2}$$

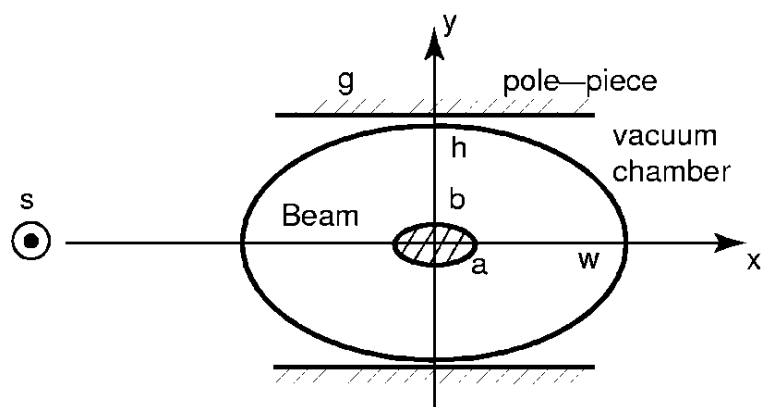
Coherent tune shift, round pipe

□ negative (defocusing) both planes

□ only weak dependence on  $\gamma$

□  $\Delta Q_{\text{coh}}$  always negative

# The "Laslett"\* Coefficients



$$\Delta Q_{y,inc} = -\frac{Nr_0 \langle \beta_y \rangle}{\beta^2 \gamma \pi} \left( \frac{\epsilon_0^y}{b^2 \gamma^2} + \frac{\epsilon_1^y}{h^2} + \beta^2 \frac{\epsilon_2^y}{g^2} \right)$$

direct image    electr. image    magnet. image

$$\Delta Q_{y,coh} = -\frac{Nr_0 \langle \beta_y \rangle}{\beta^2 \gamma \pi} \left( \frac{\xi_1^y}{h^2} + \beta^2 \frac{\xi_2^y}{g^2} \right)$$

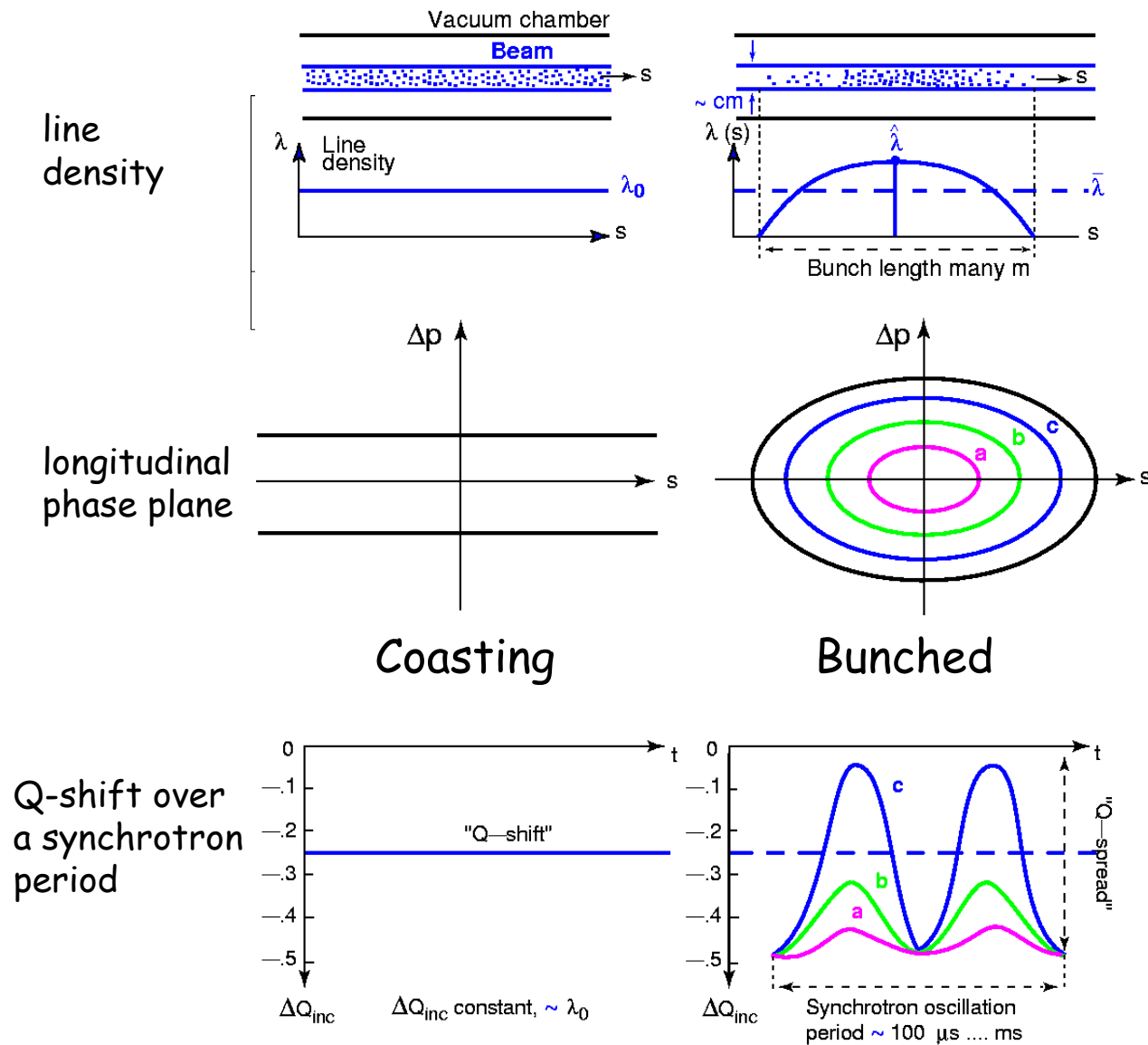
Uniform, elliptical beam  
in an elliptical beam pipe.  
Similar formulae for  $\Delta Q_x$   
In general,  $\Delta Q_y > \Delta Q_x$

\*L.J. Laslett, 1963

Laslett coefficients	Circular ( $a = b, w = h$ )	Elliptical (e.g. $w = 2h$ )	Parallel plates ( $h/w = 0$ )
$\epsilon_0^x$	1/2	$\frac{b^2}{a(a+b)}$	
$\epsilon_0^y$	1/2	$\frac{b}{a+b}$	
$\epsilon_1^x$	0	-0.172	-0.206
$\epsilon_1^y$	0	0.172	0.206
$\xi_1^x$	1/2	0.083	0
$\xi_1^y$	1/2	0.55	$0.617(\pi^2/16)$
$\epsilon_2^x$	$-0.411(-\pi^2/24)$	-0.411	-0.411
$\epsilon_2^y$	$0.411(\pi^2/24)$	0.411	0.411
$\xi_2^x$	0	0	0
$\xi_2^y$	$0.617(\pi^2/16)$	0.617	0.617

$\pi^2/4$

# Bunched Beam in a Synchrotron



What's different with bunched beams?

- Q-shift **much larger in bunch centre** than in tails
- Q-shift **changes** periodically with  $\omega_s$
- peak Q-shift much larger** than for unbunched beam with same  $N$  (number of particles in the ring)
- Q-shift  $\Rightarrow$  **Q-spread** over the bunch

# Incoherent $\Delta Q$ : A Practical Formula

$$\Delta Q_y = -\frac{r_0}{\pi} \left( \frac{q^2}{A} \right) \frac{N}{\beta^2 \gamma^3} \frac{F_y G_y}{B_f} \left\langle \frac{\beta_y}{b(a+b)} \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\beta_y}{b(a+b)} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{\beta_y}{b^2 \left( 1 + \frac{a}{b} \right)} \right\rangle \approx \frac{1}{E_y \left( 1 + \sqrt{\frac{E_x Q_y}{E_y Q_x}} \right)}$$

$\langle \beta \rangle = \frac{R}{Q}$

$$\Delta Q_{x,y} = -\frac{r_0}{\pi} \left( \frac{q^2}{A} \right) \frac{N}{\beta^2 \gamma^3} \frac{F_{x,y} G_{x,y}}{B_f} \frac{1}{E_{x,y} \left( 1 + \sqrt{\frac{E_{y,x} Q_{x,y}}{E_{x,y} Q_{y,x}}} \right)}$$

$q/A$ ..... charge/mass number of ions (1 for protons, e.g. 6/16 for  ${}_{16}\text{O}^{6+}$ )

$F_{x,y}$ ..... "Form factor" derived from Laslett's image coefficients  $\epsilon_1^x, \epsilon_1^y, \epsilon_2^x, \epsilon_2^y$  ( $F \approx 1$  if dominated by direct space charge)

$G_{x,y}$ ..... Form factor depending on particle distribution in  $x,y$ . In general,  $1 < G \leq 2$   
 Uniform  $G=1$  ( $E_{x,y}$  100% emittance)  
 Gaussian  $G=2$  ( $E_{x,y}$  95% emittance)

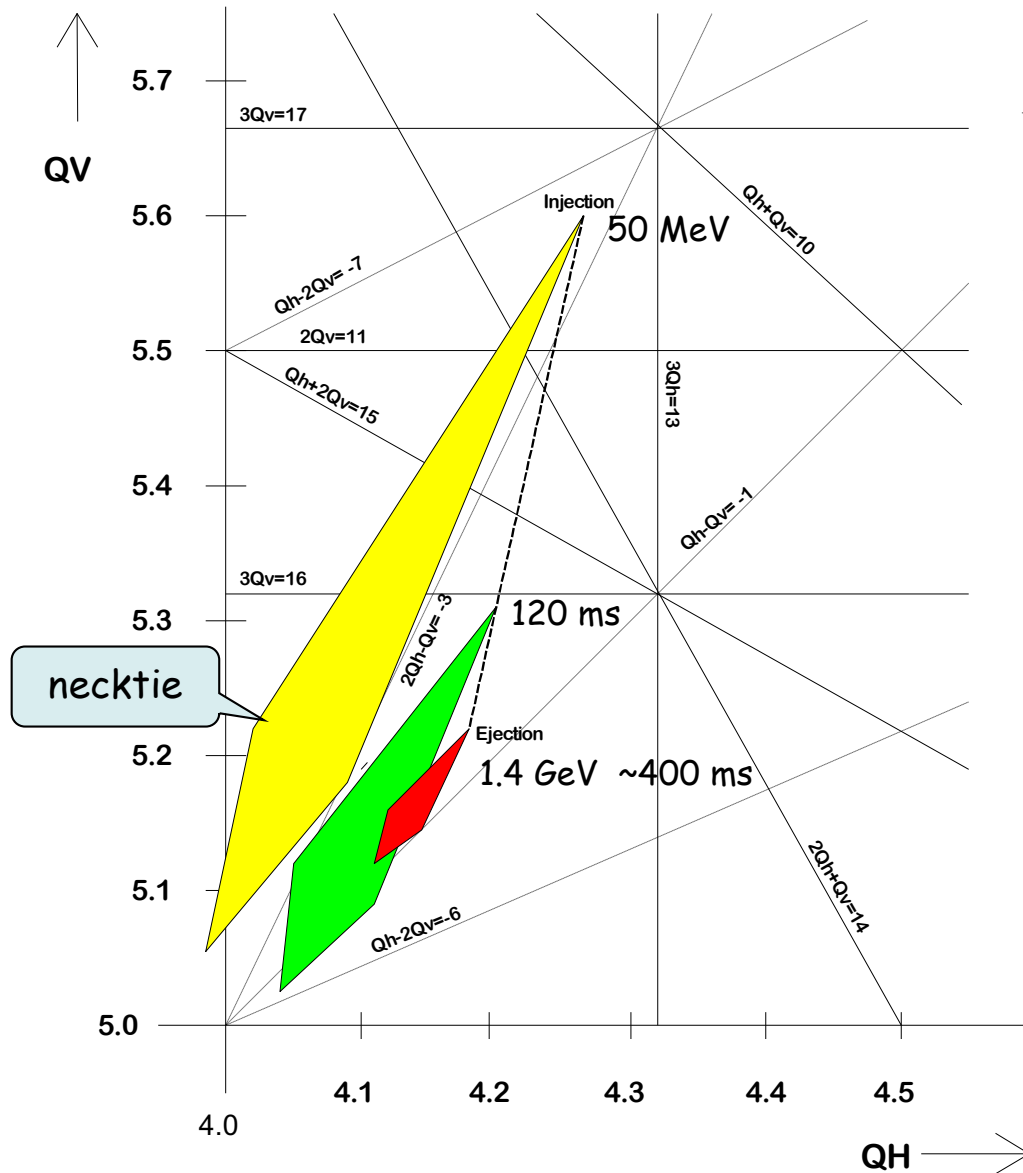
$B_f$ ..... "Bunching Factor": average/peak line density  $B_f = \frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\hat{\lambda}} = \frac{\bar{I}}{\hat{I}}$

# Examples

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# A Space-Charge Limited Accelerator



## CERN PS Booster Synchrotron

$N = 10^{13}$  protons

$E_x^* = 80 \mu\text{rad m}$  [ $4 \beta\gamma \sigma_x^2/\beta_x$ ] hor. emittance

$E_y^* = 27 \mu\text{rad m}$  vertical emittance

$B_f = 0.58$

$F_{x,y} = 1$

$G_x/G_y = 1.3/1.5$

- Direct space charge tune spread **~0.55 at injection**, covering 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> order stop-bands
- **"necktie"-shaped tune spread shrinks rapidly** due to the  $1/\beta^2\gamma^3$  dependence
- Enables the working point to be moved **rapidly** to an area clear of strong stop-bands

# How to Remove the Space-Charge Limit?

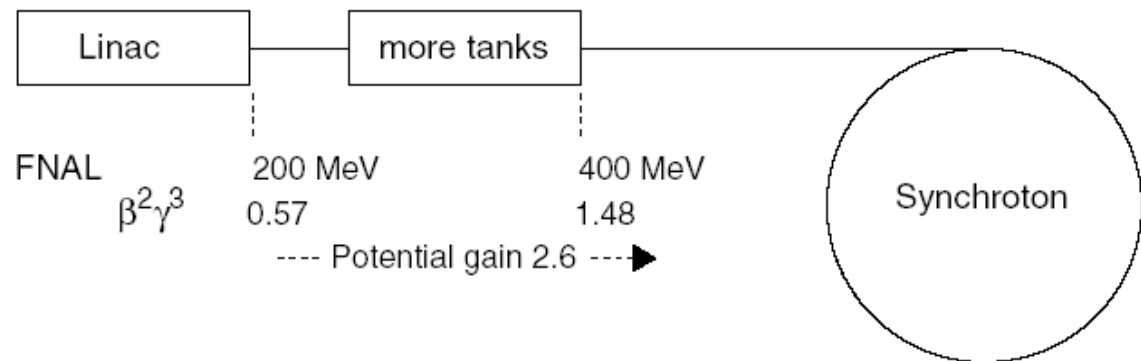
Direct space charge

$$\Delta Q_y \approx \frac{N}{E_y \beta^2 \gamma^3} \frac{\hat{I}}{\bar{I}}$$

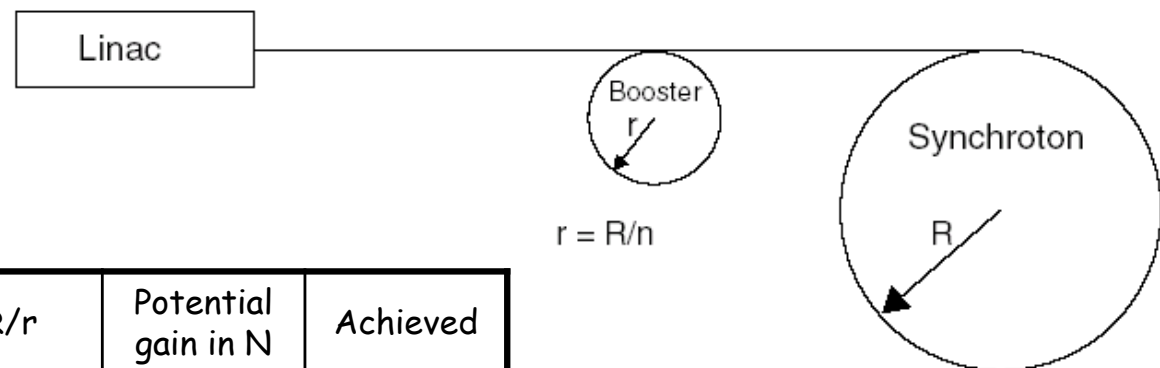
**Problem:** A **large proton synchrotron is limited in N** because  $\Delta Q_y$  reaches 0.3 ... 0.5 when filling the (vertical) acceptance.

**Solution:** **Increase N by raising the injection energy and thus  $\beta^2 \gamma^3$**  while keeping to the same  $\Delta Q$ . Ways to do this:

Make a **longer** (higher-energy) **Linac** (by adding tanks as has been done in Fermilab)



Add a **small "Booster" synchrotron** of radius  $r = R/n$  with  $n$  the number of batches (BNL) or rings (CERN)



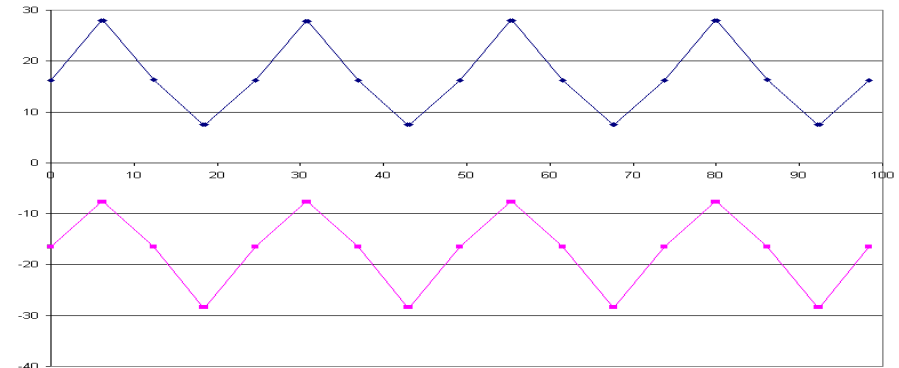
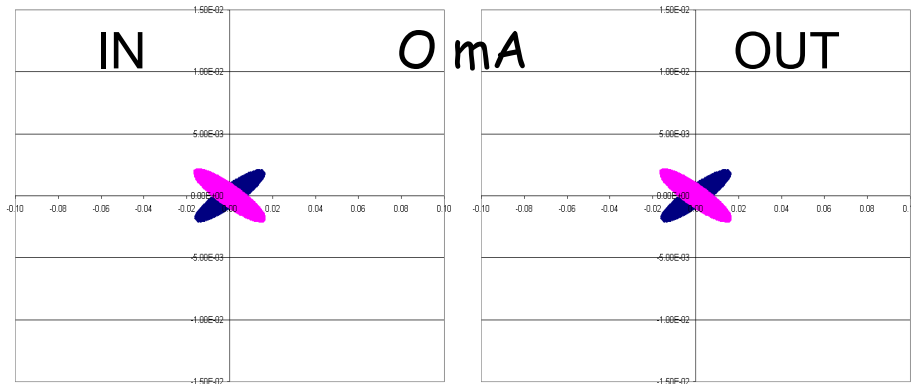
	Linac (MeV)	Booster (GeV)	$n=R/r$	Potential gain in N	Achieved
CERN PS	50	1	4(rings)	59	~15
BNL AGS	200	1.5	4(batches)	26	~8

# High Intensity Proton Beam in a FODO Line

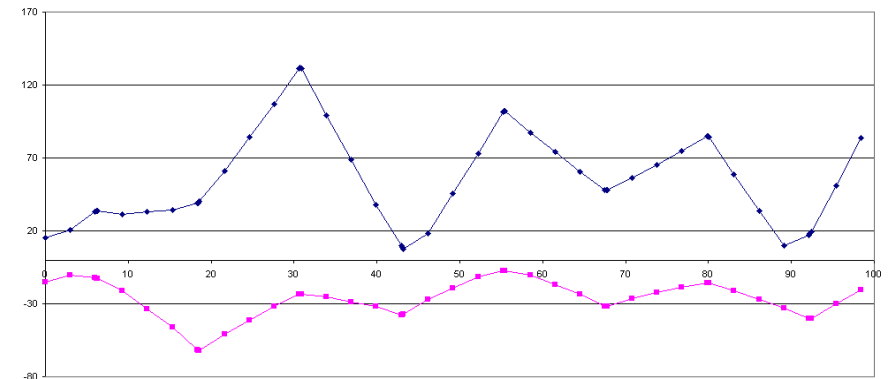
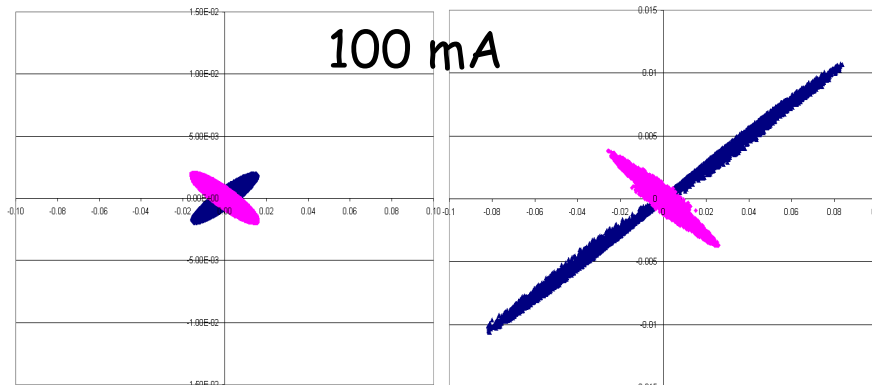
Transverse phase planes  
rad vs. m

horizontal  
vertical

Transverse envelopes  
mm vs. m



50 MeV



Courtesy of Alessandra Lombardi/ CERN, 8/04

# Summary

Coherent and incoherent tune shift in a synchrotron:

A high-intensity, un-bunched beam experiences a small deflection by a kicker magnet in one plane and performs betatron oscillations. The machine tune for vanishing intensity is known to be  $Q_0$ . A position detector measures the oscillations from which an effective tune  $Q$  is derived. Is it:

1. equal to  $Q_0$ ?
2. equal to  $Q_0 + Q_{coherent}$ ?
3. equal to  $Q_0 + Q_{incoherent}$ ?
4. equal to  $Q_0 + Q_{coherent} + Q_{incoherent}$ ?

**Questions?**