Straight Merger Test at CBETCA

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Includes material from previous seminars given by Virginia group





Straight Merger: Motivation

- Traditional mergers involve dipoles, exploiting energy difference between the injected and recirculated beams
 - -Negatively affects rotational symmetry and quality of injected beam
- Magnetized beams are used for electron beam cooling in JLEIC
 - -Sensitive to non-rotationally symmetric transport, especially at low energy and high charge
- Using traditional mergers, quality of magnetized beams significantly decreases
- For best beam quality, the goal is to merge the beams while not disturbing the injected beam → straight merger concept







- Merger consists of septum followed by RF separator in dipole (DC) magnetic field
- Septum:
 - -Injected beam sees zero field
 - Recirculated beam sees deflecting field
- RF separator and DC field:
 - Set phase and amplitudes so that injected beam is **not** deflected
 - Recirculated beam experiences twice the deflection





Waveforms







Waveforms

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Straight Merger: Concept

- To first order: injected beam has no deflection
- To higher order: beam has finite length, only center has no deflection → front and back are deflected
 - -We call this the "banana effect"
- Banana effect
 - -Inevitable energy slew along the bunch length
 - -Smaller for shorter bunch lengths and lower RF frequencies
 - -Effectively removed by adding third harmonic to separator cavity





Experimental Test

- Compare simulations and measurements of beam dynamics through RF separator and DC dipole magnetic field
 - DC dipole magnetic field provided by pair of coils
 - -Separator and coils referred to as "the assembly"
- Georg Hoffstaetter offered Virginia group beam time at CBETA
- CBETA is an excellent site for the experiment:
 - -Pre-existing simulation deck of accelerator
 - -RF separator already installed on beamline
 - RF separator is 1.3 GHz, high frequency to observe banana effect









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Experimental Layout





CAD model of the cavity and coil by Joe Gubeli (JLab)





• 2.4 MeV electron beam

Undisturbed: assembly is off Kicked: assembly is on

- 113 kV deflecting voltage
 Conflicting calibrations
- C1 (beam spot)
- C2 (longitudinal phase space)
- 2 horizontal slits on C1 screen (spot beamlet)
- 1 vertical slit on C2 screen (longitudinal beamlet)





Operating point

-Comparison of undisturbed and kicked bunches

- As a function of phase
 - -Vertical rms size as a function of phase (with respect to maximum deflection)
 - -Coil current adjusted for no net deflection of beam
- Banana effect
 - -Comparison of undisturbed and kicked beamlets
- On plots:
 - -xy area is consistent for all viewscreens (simulated or measured) that share a slide
 - -Density is scaled for each plot, but is NOT the same for all plots that share a slide
 - -Unless otherwise specified, measurements are shown with no applied threshold
 - Sometimes appears that way due to background subtraction immediately before measurement



Operating Point: C1 (Beam Spot)



Measured

Both simulations and measurements show minimal changed between undisturbed and kicked bunches

Simulated





Operating Point: C2 (Longitudinal Phase Space)



Measured

Both simulations and measurements show minimal changed between undisturbed and kicked bunches

Simulated





As a Function of Phase: Simulation



Simulated vertical *rms* size of the beam for C1 (blue) and C2 (red)







Measured *rms* vertical size on the beam spot screen plotted as a function of degrees off-crest for different thresholds

Notice how symmetry is broken at larger positive phase





 $\varphi = -50^{\circ}$



Edge of screen is seen in both plots, but beam is only clipped in positive phase

Consequently, bunch size is reduced for large positive phase















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Measured *rms* vertical size on the longitudinal screen plotted as a function of degrees off-crest for different thresholds





As a Function of Phase: C2 (Longitudinal Phase Space)



Longitudinal measurements plotted with the simulated curve, which has (left) and has not (right) been shifted and scaled for best agreement





As a Function of Phase: C2 (Longitudinal Phase Space)





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As a Function of Phase: Slits



Measured *rms* vertical size on the longitudinal beamlet (1 vertical slit, left) and spot beamlet (2 horizontal slits, right) plotted as a function of degrees off-crest for different thresholds

- Operating point for beamlets
 - Measurement using horizontal slits to examine increased vertical size because of deflection at front and back of the bunch
 - Measurement using vertical slit to examine energy slew and spread across bunch length because of deflection

Banana Effect: Horizontal Slits

- y vs t plots are not density plots
- Simulation of fake beamlet – no vertical motion after passing through slits
- Spread of curve in y vs t plot correlates with horizontal distance off-axis

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Banana Effect: Horizontal Slits

Undisturbed

Banana Effect: Horizontal Slits

- Kicked beamlet does not appear to have a larger vertical size, unless you consider the core section of the beamlet
- Droop seen in kicked spot beamlet is because the off-axis fields of the RF separator and the off-axis fields of the coils do not cancel
 - -This is a transverse effect
 - The banana effect is longitudinal, just seen in the transverse

Banana Effect: Vertical Slits

Banana Effect: Vertical Slits

2%

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x (mm)

Density (arb. units)

- Kicked beamlet appears to experience minor energy loss
- Energy along bunch length does not increase
 → but it *does* change
- Simulations suggests that energy spread of incoming is bunch is significantly larger than any change from assembly

y (mm)

Kicked

2.5

1.5

-0.5

Conclusion

- Overall, a good agreement between the qualitative behavior of the beam measurements and the simulations
- Deeply appreciate CBETA for the opportunity to perform this experiment
- A good first step towards demonstrating the potential of the straight merger system
- Follow up experiment would require at least one of the following:
 - -Higher bunch charge
 - -Higher deflector voltage
 - -Magnetized beam

With field clamps

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Fixed density scale across measurements

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As a Function of Phase: C2 (Longitudinal Phase Space)

Fixed density scale across measurements

Measured

