Analysis of BLM signal for the 2004 tests at the SPS

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- Motivation
- Time scale of synchrotron motion
- Single particle incoherent mirror image force
- Comparison of theoretical prediction with data
- Conclusions and predictions

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Slowest frequency in SPS synchrotron motion, orders of magnitude to fast to explain timescale of minutes.



Single particle incoherent mirror image force



$$\frac{1}{(g-x)^2} = \frac{1}{4g^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \left(\frac{x}{g}\right)^{i-1}$$

 \Rightarrow No matter what's Q_X , motion is unstable

very simple tracking code (repeatedly one turn matrix, single particle mirror kick) gives

single jaw :
$$t = 3.38 \cdot 10^{-8} \frac{\text{s}}{\text{m}^2 \text{eV}^2} \cdot \frac{C_{Ring} T_{Kin}^2 g}{\beta_X L_{Coll}} \cdot (g - x_0)^2$$

pair of jaws: $t = 1.69 \cdot 10^{-8} \frac{\text{s}}{\text{m}^2 \text{eV}^2} \cdot \frac{C_{Ring} T_{Kin}^2 g}{\beta_X L_{Coll}} \cdot (g - x_0)^2$
 $x_0 = \text{starting coordinate}$

t = time interval from start to impact on jaw

g = distance beam axis - jaw surface

Valid if t >> revolution time

Independent of Q_{χ} except for low order resonances values



Time/distance dependence + continuity equation allows to compute halo density dynamics in neighborhood of jaw



- no other sources of halo re-population

Time/distance dependence of single particle space charge allows to compute time dependence of losses on jaw



Assumption: - jaw moves in from far away,

- initial halo density constant over µm scale
- no other sources of halo re-population

Check prediction by fitting all BLM peaks in SPS measurements with

 $s=a(t-t_0)^{-b}$





SPS measurement, 19 Oct 2004

Fit function



Zoom on peak



Ratio *signal during jaw positioning / signal after jaw positioning* seems to be lower than predicted.

Reasons:

- Time resolution BLM signal to coarse ?
- Do particles hitting deep in the jaw produce less BLM signal ?
- Mirror kick is stronger because of resistive wake, surface roughness...?

•...?.

Conclusions

- > BLM signals after jaw positioning follow reasonably well a $t^{-1/2}$ law as predicted by single particle mirror kick model.
- Ratio signal during jaw positioning / signal after jaw positioning seems to be lower than predicted, but better time resolution for BLM and jaw position needed for detailed analysis. FLUKA simulation of BLM signal as function of impact parameter in jaw would be extremely useful !
- Ratio signal during jaw positioning / signal after jaw positioning is predicted to vary linear with beam energy.
- Ratio signal during jaw positioning / signal after jaw positioning is predicted to vary with the square root of the atomic number, i.e. 14 times more tails for ²⁰⁸Pb.
- Energy and atomic number dependence should be measured during next SPS collimator MD and during SPS ion commisioning !

Can mirror kick effect be used to improve ion collimation efficiency by kicking particles from surface of primary collimator on secondary collimator ?

⇒ No, required kick corresponds to ~ 0.5 Tm bending strength, mirror kick with LHC parameters falls ~ 3 orders of magnitude short

Coffee discussion with Fritz Casper and Frank Zimmermann on the subject

⇒ Why not use a collimator which generates a deflecting field with similar characteristic ?



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