# MODELING ELECTRON CLOUD EFFECTS IN HEAVY ION ACCELERATORS\*

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#### OUTLINE

- Distinguishing features of ecloud issues for HIF
- Our plan for self-consistent modeling
- Example with wall electron sources
- Electron effects on ions: simulations with specified electron distributions
- Preliminary results for averaged electron dynamics
- Summary

Related papers: Molvik et al (Monday p.m.) Vay et al (Tues. p.m.) Stoltz et al (next paper)



#### Artist's Conception of an HIF Power Plant on a few km<sup>2</sup> site



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# HIF accelerators have distinguishing features that impact electron cloud issues

#### Compared to other accelerator applications:

- Many common issues and concerns, but also applicationspecific features
- Distinguishing aspects of HIF accelerators (U.S. main line with magnetic quadrupole focusing):
  - Linac with high line charge density
  - Induction accelerator --
    - hard to clean beam pipe ⇒ large neutral emission coefficient at pipe wall (≥ 10<sup>4</sup> per lost ion)
    - Beam pipe only in quad magnets  $\Rightarrow$  scrape-off only in quads
  - Economic mandate to maximally fill beam pipe
  - Large fraction of length occupied by quadrupoles (>50% at injector end)
  - Long(ish) pulses -- multi-µs at injector end





#### **Consequences 1**

- Linac, so multiturn resonance not an issue
  - But long pulse  $\Rightarrow$  still instability if e-e SEY > 1
- Electrons largely confined to the quadrupole in which they are born, and electron density smaller in gaps than in quads; consequences of:
  - Beam pipe only in quads; strongly magnetized electrons
  - Time to drift out of a quad ~ pulse durations
  - Accelerating gaps between quads, which enable electrons to overcome space charge potential

Important implications for potential instabilities.

 Filling pipe as much as possible ⇒ ion scrape-off major source of electrons



#### **Consequences 2: Electrons from gas released at walls in quads dominate**

- e<sup>-</sup> from ionization of neutrals released from walls dominates for long (multi-µs) pulses.
  - Born trapped by beam potential
    - Bounce radially
    - Drift axially
    - Acquire enough energy in gap to escape
    - Hence  $\tau_e \sim$  time to drift through 1 quad
- For shorter pulses: wall-born electrons from ion bombardment
  - Nominal lifetime 1 transit (during beam flattop)
  - e<sup>-</sup> from scrapeoff of beam ions: mainly on field lines that stay close to wall.
  - For small fraction born on field lines that penetrate deep into interior, collisionless pitch-angle scattering (nonadiabaticity) can make lifetime much longer





# Consequences 3: we absolutely need to do e-cloud generation + e, i dynamics self-consistently

- Because of size of beam-scrape-off sources and long pulse, electron-ion interaction affects electron sources
- Especially challenging for us because
  - Timescales: need to deal with electrons in and between quads, so must deal with electron cyclotron motion yet follow ion dynamics (can't analytically integrate the cyclotron motion)
  - Variety of e-cloud sources
- But it may be that other e-cloud applications will also have this same need and face the same challenges





#### **Toward a self-consistent model of electron effects**

Plan for self-consistent electron physics modules for WARP



• Key: operational; implemented, testing; partially implemented; offline development



# Example of current capability: wall-born electrons from primary and secondary ion bombardment

- WARP ion slice simulation, 400,000 ions
  - 100 lattice-period transport system (no acceleration)
  - Misaligned magnets (500  $\mu m$ ) to exaggerate beam scrapeoff
- Gather data for ions impacting wall (6282 ions), and calculate:
  - Electrons produced (from simple fit to Molvik et al data)
  - Scattered ion population (3629 ions), from TRIM Monte-Carlo code
- Follow the scattered ions in 3-D Warp until they next impact wall.
- Calculate electrons produced by those ions
- Follow dynamics of electrons produced by primary and scattered ion impacts with 3-D WARP; accumulate electron charge density



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#### **Calculation of n<sub>e</sub> from wall-born electrons shows** importance of following scattered ions

- Full-orbit calculations of • electrons born near wall from impact of lost beam ions
  - Based on initial ion-wall impacts: cloud confined to wall near beam ellipse tips



 Dramatic difference if we follow scattered ions and add in the electrons THEY produce



# Ion simulations with legislated electron clouds show level of acceptable density and highlight areas for concern

- Perform ion simulations with legislated negative charge distributions to mock up electrons
- All choices have constant parameters within a quad, but variable from quad to quad:
  - Const n<sub>e</sub>
  - Random cloud amplitude variations
  - Sinusoidal cloud variations, with period chosen to match a beam natural mode
    - Breathing (amplitude or shape)
    - Centroid oscillations (dipole mode)

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- Elliptical distortion oscillations (quadrupole mode)
- Types of electron cloud variations studied (in all cases the perturbation is axially constant within a quadrupole, and varies from quad to quad):



#### Types of electron cloud perturbations specified



#### 20% constant n<sub>e</sub> has little effect





### 20% mean, 0-40% random $n_{\rm e}$ produces significant beam loss, envelope growth, halo



#### 20% n<sub>e</sub> with random transverse offsets produces intermediate beam loss, halo, emittance growth



#### 20% n<sub>e</sub> with random radial shape variation somewhat worse than const but much better than random amplitude



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## Sinusoidal radial shape variation (10% n<sub>e</sub>, resonant with breathing) less effective than amplitude modulation





### Ellipticity resonant with q-pole oscillation (10% n<sub>e</sub>) produces small beam loss but more bulk emittance growth



# These resonant perturbations are potentially a source of instability

• Ion envelope breathing in phase with e<sup>-</sup> oscillations



Envelope peaks will produce more electrons



- Electrons ~ immobile in beam direction due to quadrupoles
- Perturbation will grow
- Doesn't require const wavenumber (acceleration allowed)



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#### More on instability

 Crude, semi-empirical growth rate (assumptions: coasting beam; wall gas desorption dominates e<sup>-</sup> production; neglect neutral time of flight; resonant beam loss ∝ n<sub>e</sub>):

$$\frac{dN_e}{dt} = n_b N_n \langle \sigma v_i \rangle \qquad \qquad \frac{dN_n}{dt} = A \Gamma_w \kappa_n$$

with A=area,  $\kappa_{\rm n}$  = neutrals released per incident ion, N=nV with V=beam volume

• Yields exponential growth with e-folding time:

$$\left[\frac{n_e}{n_b}\frac{Ve}{\langle\sigma\nu\rangle\kappa_n\Delta I_b}\right]^{1/2}$$

~ 3  $\mu s$  for simulation parameters (~  $\tau_{b})$ 

- Growth limited by:
  - Velocity tilt
  - Beam current loss
  - Finite neutral transit time



# Self-consistent e-i simulation requires technique to bridge timescales

- Need to follow electrons through strongly magnetized and unmagnetized regions ⇒ need to deal with electron cyclotron timescale, ~ 10<sup>-11</sup> sec.
- Ion timescales >  $10^{-8}$  sec.
- Algorithm to bridge: interpolation between full-electron dynamics (Boris mover) and drift kinetics (motion along B plus drifts).
- Properly chosen interpolation allows stepping electrons on bounce timescale (~10<sup>-9</sup> sec) yet preserves:
  - Drift velocity
  - Parallel dynamics
  - Physical gyroradius

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#### Interpolated mover: first tests meet expectations

- Compare full orbit to interpolated mover (10x dt).
- Single orbit comparisons of some regular and nonadiabatic (chaotic) orbits:
  - Good agreement on drift & bounce velocity, orbit size for regular orbits
  - Expected non-agreement for chaotic orbits (expect similar statistics; not yet tested).



# Interpolated model reproduces the e-cloud calculation in < 1/25 time

• Compare full-orbit model,  $\Delta t=.25/f_{ce}$ , with interpolated model with  $\Delta t$  25 times longer





#### Summary/conclusions

- High current, fill factor, pulse length, unclean walls of HIF induction accelerators ⇒ dominant electron source is ionization of neutrals released from walls
  - except ion-impact-produced wall-born electrons for short pulse expts or after drift compression
- Developing self-consistent modeling capability for e-cloud formation, dynamics, effects on ions
- Simulation of dynamics of wall-born electrons from ion impacts shows importance of keeping scattered ions
- Simulation of ion evolution with various model electron distributions shows:
  - effect of random amplitude variations > random offsets > const n<sub>e</sub>
  - Resonant sinusoidal perturbations more potent, especially amplitude resonant with breathing mode.
  - Ion beams surprisingly robust: 20% const n<sub>e</sub> little effect; several percent resonant perturbation needed for significant impact
  - Possible instability (mild) associated with resonant perturbations

