SUMMARY

Electron storage rings see dangerous beam-beam synchrobetatron sidebands which are almost invisible to single beams, for example, the diagonal resonances \( Q_x - Q_y = m Q_z \). Colliding protons and antiprotons in the SPS do not see diagonal sidebands, despite the absence of stabilisation by radiation damping. One SPS feature, proton loss or emittance blow-up at vertical tunes of less than \( Q_x = 0.674 \), could be a beam-beam synchrobetatron effect off the 4/3 resonance.

This report uses a strong-weak numerical simulation to show that an apparent tune modulation, induced by longitudinal collision point oscillations, can cause synchrobetatron sidebands, to a distance of about \( 2 Q_z \), from a beam-beam resonance. The concurrent analytic description illustrates several reasons why flat beams behave quite differently from round beams:

1) \( z_x = z_y = z_z \), \( z_x = z_y \)

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and why the SPS is so resonance free. Transverse electron trajectories become stochastic beyond a critical longitudinal amplitude limit, making microbeta optics unstable. Round beam-sidebands are found to be stronger near \( Q_z = 2/3 \) than near the diagonal. Chromaticity is more dangerous to the SPS as a source of (real) tune modulation, than the modulation due to collision point oscillations.

APPARENT TUNE MODULATION IN MINIBETA OPTICS

The approximate beam-beam impulse

At the instant of collision, \( t = 0 \), the strong beam is assumed to be gaussian in three dimensions, so that the vertical size is given as a function of longitudinal position by

3) \( z_x(s) = \left( 1 - \left( s/a_x \right)^2 \right)^{1/2} \)

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Electron rings have values of the dimensionless beta squeezing factor, \( b = B_x/\sigma_x^2 \), as low as about 2.0, while in today's SPS b is at least 3.7. In contemporary electron storage rings the beam-beam effect often limits the number of particles, \( N \), that can be stored, leading to peak luminosity in large b lattices going as \( b^{-3} \), not \( b^{-0.5} \). However, numerical simulations, for example those of Steve Myers, show that the peak current is severely decreased when \( b \) is smaller than about 1.0.

A test particle passing through a flat beam with a small vertical displacement \( z \) and a longitudinal position \( s = t \cdot d \sigma_x \) gets an angular kick

7) \( \frac{\Delta z_x}{z_x} = -a \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1 - t^2}} \cdot \frac{(s + z)^2}{c_s} \)

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which increases linearly with large longitudinal displacements, so that large amplitude particles are only stabilised by reducing the strong beam current, \( N \). Round beam test particles, in contrast, have a tune shift which is independent of collision position, and even of beta, since for them

10) \( \Delta \eta = \frac{a}{\sigma_x} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - (s/a_x)^2} \)

This is the first reason why round beams are more stable than flat beams.

Fourier analysis of the apparent tune

If a particle on turn \( n \) gets its beam-beam impulse at a displacement \( s_n \), where

11) \( s_n = \int_0^n ds \)

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reveals harmonics at odd multiples of the synchrotron frequency, $Q_s$. The amplitudes of these harmonics, plotted in Figure 1, are functions of the dimensionless longitudinal collision amplitude, $a = a_s/\beta^2$, and are given by

$$F_{2m+1} = (-1)^m \frac{1}{(2m+1)!} \frac{a_s^{2m+1}}{a_s^2} \sin((2m+1)a_s)$$

Figure 1: Harmonic amplitudes

At small $a_s$ the dominant effect is tune modulation of depth $a_s Q_s$ at a frequency of $Q_s$, but when $a_s$ is larger than, say, 4.0, many harmonics are important. It has already been shown, in theory and by simulation, that real tune modulation near a nonlinear magnetic resonance of order $n$ causes synchrobetatron sidebands separated by $Q_s/n$. These sidebands get weaker beyond the distance at which the resonance is no longer repeatedly crossed. Since the asymptotic harmonic amplitude is $F=2$, beam-beam sidebands should never be strong further than $2Q_s$ from a resonance.

When round beams collide, both tunes are modulated together, so the tune point motion is parallel to the diagonal. This is a second important contrast to flat beams, where only the vertical tune is modulated and the coupling resonance is crossed at 45 degrees, strengthening the diagonal sidebands.

Useful lifetimes are only obtained with electrons if trajectories with synchrotron amplitudes up to, say, 8 standard deviations are stable. In a lattice with $b=1$, electrons with $a_s=4$ should be stable. Meanwhile, although protons are not helped by radiation damping, neither are they hurt by radiation diffusion, and do not need large amplitude stability. SPS particles which are only just in the r.f. bucket, wavelength 1.5 metres, seeing a beta of 0.75 metres, still have only a modest value of $a_s=0.5$. This is a third reason why hadron collisions are comparatively stable.

FLAT BEAM SIMULATION RESULTS

Particles start off with 'typical' vertical and horizontal amplitudes of $\sqrt{2}a_s$ and $\sqrt{2}a_s$, with a horizontal tune $Q_0=0.402$, and with a single kick per turn of strength $\xi=0.02$. Radiative effects are not included. Figure 2 shows the maximum vertical amplitude seen by a particle during 500 synchrotron periods of 27 turns, about one damping time in CESR, as a function of the unshifted vertical tune, $Q_0$.

When $a_s=0$ only two resonances appear, $Q_0=1/3$ and $Q_0=Q_x$. Several more arise when $a_s=1$, most notably the family $20Q_0-20Q_0$, separated by $Q_0/2$ because the vertical kick is modulated by the horizontal displacement at even multiples of $Q_x$. Figure 3 shows violent instability below $Q_2=Q_x$ when $a_s=3$, due to the mixing of many harmonics.

Figure 2: Maximum flat beam amplitudes

When $a_s=3$ by chromaticity

Stabilisation by chromaticity

A particle with a collision point amplitude of $a_s$ also has a relative energy amplitude of $a_e$, which couples with chromaticity to generalise the instantaneous apparent tune from (13) to become

$$Q = Q_0 + Q_x \frac{F_{2m+1}(a_s)}{a_s^{2m+1}} \sin((2m+1)a_s)$$

Since $F_1$ is negative, the amplitude of the first tune modulation harmonic can be reduced to zero at a given $a_s$ by a positive vertical chromaticity.

$$\frac{dQ}{a_s} = -\frac{1}{Q_s} \frac{F_{2m+1}(a_s)}{a_s^{2m+1}} \sin((2m+1)a_s)$$

Small amplitude particles, which least need it, are all stabilised together by a chromaticity larger than that needed to control the head-tail effect, since then $F_1$, $a_s$ and $a_e$ are proportional. Figure 4 shows that the tune plane is still far from featureless when the first harmonic is removed with
Chaotic phase space

According to whether two trajectories, started infinitesimally close together in phase space, diverge linearly or exponentially as a function of time, a region of phase space is called non-chaotic or chaotic. Figure 5 tracks the divergence of two trajectory pairs, with a tune of $Q_2=0.362$ on the resonance $Q_x=Q_y/4$. Figure 6 over many orders of magnitude. The initial relative amplitude displacement is $10^{-13}$, the double precision noise limit of a NOED-500 computer, while the first pair has $a_y=0.76$, the second $a_y=0.78$, and every other parameter is typical. Chaos sets in at a small amplitude on this synchrobetatron resonance.

With collision point oscillations

Particles stored in the SPS for one second are simulated by tracking with $Q_2=0.685$ for 200 synchrotron periods of 199 turns, with only one collision per turn, not six. Figure 6 plots the maximum amplitudes against unshifted vertical tune, in a possible future SPS with $\beta=0.4$ metre and $a_y=1.0$, and with a tune shift of 0.02, for direct comparison with the flat beam results of Figure 2. Typical ($1/2$) and large ($3/2$) initial vertical amplitude particles are tracked, with initial horizontal amplitudes of $\sqrt{2}a_y$.

Typical particles respond strongly to $Q_2=2/3$ ($4/6$), and to sidebands displaced by $Q_2$, but the diagonal resonance $Q_x=Q_y$ is slight and broad, with no evidence of sidebands, in marked contrast to the flat beam case. Large amplitude particles are very sensitive to the $2/3$ resonance, up to an unshifted tune cutoff at $Q_2=0.672$, or a shifted tune of 0.675. Higher tune particles, with a modulation depth of about $a_y Q_y=5\times10^{-3}$, no longer cross and recross the $2/3$ resonance.

A fourth difference between round and flat beam collisions is that the footprint, $(Q_x, Q_y)$ versus $(x, y)$, is more compact for a round beam than for a flat beam, as shown in Figure 7. The round beam footprint is in quantitative agreement with analytic prediction.

With vertical chromaticity

Chromaticity is a more dangerous source of tune modulation than collision point oscillations, in today's SPS, because few particles have $a_y$ larger than about 0.3. Figure 8 shows the large amplitude response to a vertical tune modulation of amplitude $5\times10^{-3}$ at a pure frequency of $Q_2$, that is, to a relative energy amplitude of $7\times10^{-4}$ and a perfectly constant vertical chromaticity of 0.27.

The behaviour with a tune shift of 0.02 is reminiscent of apparent tune modulation to the same depth. Figure 6. A more realistic tune shift of 0.005 shows significant sidebands of $Q_2=2/3$, with a spacing $9\beta/2$, up to $Q_{2,3}=0.672$, and shows sidebands of $Q_y=Q_2$, with a spacing of $Q_y/2$.

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