

# Transverse-Longitudinal Coupling in High Power Cyclotrons

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- 1 “Traditional” strategy to operate isochronous high intensity cyclotrons.
- 2 Space charge dominated acceleration (PSI Injector II).
- 3 Simplified model and the influence of the phase  $\phi(E)$ .
- 4 Conditions for space charge induced “longitudinal focusing”.
- 5 Linear Model versus OPAL simulations.
- 6 Additional requirements?!
- 7 What’s “negative mass instability” anyway?
- 8 Conclusions.

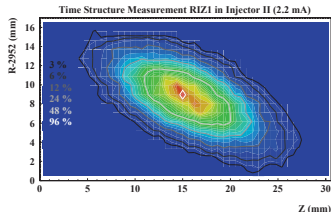
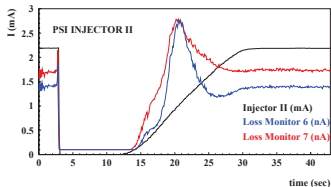
Consider an isochronous cyclotron with space charge.

“Naive” expectations:

- No longitudinal focusing (isochronism).
- Longitudinal space charge (SC) increases phase width.
- Energy gain depends on phase  $\Rightarrow$  increase energy width (i.e. momentum spread).
- Large momentum spread  $\Rightarrow$  large beam width  $\Rightarrow$  high losses at extraction.

Countermeasures:

- 1 **Flattop cavity** to increase phase acceptance.
- 2 **Increase cavity** voltage: less turns  $\Rightarrow$  lower losses (Joho's  $N^3$ -law [1]).



## Counterfactuals:

- PSI Injector II with 2.4 mA **without flattop** and low losses.
- Explanation: Space charge “dominated” acceleration.
- Two bunchers in front of cyclotron (**increase SC forces**).
- Injector II has rel. high  $\nu_r$  and  $\nu_z$  (**increase SC forces**).
- Max. losses at intermediate beam current (see plot).
- Extremely contra-intuitive. And it works.
- But: What is it and how does it work?

⇒ Develop simple model:

- Transverse - longitudinal only (⇒ sectors can be omitted.)
- ⇒ Use **rotational symmetry**:  $\vec{B} = \vec{e}_z B_0 \gamma$ .
- ⇒ The (matched) **beam sizes are constant**.
- ⇒ Space charge forces are constant.
- ⇒ Linear approximation for SC forces.
- ⇒ EQOM should have a simple solution.
- Use TRANSPORT like description in local coordinates:  
**(horiz./vert./long.)=(x,y,z)**.
- Assume **coasting beam**, no acceleration.

## Single particle dynamics:

- Radial coordinate  $x = r(\theta) - r_0$  and  $x'$ .
- Longitudinal position  $z = r_0 (\theta - \theta_0)$ .
- Momentum deviation  $\delta = \frac{\Delta p}{p_0}$ .
- Put in state vector  $\psi = (x, x', z, \delta)^T$  in **local co-moving curvilinear coordinates**.
- Define  $h = 1/r_0$  as curvature of orbit.

The linearized EQOM including space charge are:

$$\dot{\psi} = \mathbf{F} \psi,$$

with  $4 \times 4$  “Hamiltonian” matrix  $\mathbf{F}$ .

The solution (for constant  $\mathbf{F}$ ) is

$$\psi(s) = \exp(\mathbf{F} s) \psi(0) = \mathbf{M}(s) \psi(0).$$

Note: Without space charge,  $\mathbf{M}$  is the symplectic transfer matrix of a bending magnet.

Explicitly:

$$\frac{d}{ds} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x' \\ z \\ \delta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & 1 & \cdot & \cdot \\ -k_x + K_x & \cdot & \cdot & h \\ -h & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{1}{\gamma^2} \\ \cdot & \cdot & K_z \gamma^2 + K_{rf} & \cdot \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x' \\ z \\ \delta \end{pmatrix},$$

Focusing terms and defocusing terms (SC) are colored.  
Dispersive coupling term  $h = 1/r$ . Drift terms in black,  
linearized RF term in orange (debunching for  $K_{rf} > 0$ ).

$$K_{rf} \approx \frac{q V_0 \sin(\phi)}{m c^2 \gamma \beta^2} \frac{h^2 N_h}{2 \pi}.$$

But if  $\beta \simeq 1$ , then factor in  $K_{rf}$  is of order  
 $q V_0 / m c^2 \simeq 10^{-3} \ll 1$ . Additionally we have  $\sin \phi \approx 0 \Rightarrow$   
neglect RF-term!



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$K_x$  and  $K_z$  represent **horizontal** and **longitudinal** space charge forces [2]:

$$K_x = \frac{K_3(1-f)}{(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)\sigma_x\sigma_z}$$

$$K_z = \frac{K_3 f}{\sigma_x\sigma_y\sigma_z}$$

$$K_y = \frac{K_3(1-f)}{(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)\sigma_y\sigma_z}$$

$$K_3 = \frac{3qI\lambda}{20\sqrt{5}\pi\epsilon_0 m c^3 \beta^2 \gamma^3}$$

$$f \approx \frac{\sqrt{\sigma_x\sigma_y}}{3\gamma\sigma_z}$$

Note that always

$$k_x \gg K_x > 0$$

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**Focusing** means that  $\mathbf{F}$  has **imaginary eigenvalues**.  
The eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{F}$  ( $\pm i\Omega_+$  and  $\pm i\Omega_-$ ) are:

$$\begin{aligned} a &\equiv \frac{k_x - K_x - K_z}{2} \\ b &\equiv K_z (K_x + h^2 \gamma^2 - k_x) \\ \Omega_+ &= \sqrt{a + \sqrt{a^2 - b}} \\ \Omega_- &= \sqrt{a - \sqrt{a^2 - b}}. \end{aligned}$$

- If  $b$  is negative  $\Rightarrow a < \sqrt{a^2 - b}$
- $\Rightarrow \Omega_-$  imaginary
- $\Rightarrow$  solution is divergent (i.e. unstable).
- $\Rightarrow b$  must be positive to give real-valued frequencies.

With  $b \ll a$ ,  $K_x \ll k_x$  and  $K_z \ll k_x$  and assumption of perfect isochronism:  $k_x = h^2 \gamma^2 = h^2 \nu_r^2$ , we approximate  $a \approx \frac{k_x}{2}$  and  $b \approx K_x K_z$ :

$$\Omega_+ = \sqrt{a + \sqrt{a^2 - b}} \approx h \nu_r \left( 1 - \frac{K_x K_z}{k_x^2} - \dots \right)$$

$\Rightarrow \Omega_+$  is horizontal focusing, reduced by space charge.

$$\Omega_- = \sqrt{a - \sqrt{a^2 - b}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{K_x K_z}{2}} \left( 1 + \frac{K_x K_z}{2 k_x^2} + \dots \right).$$

$\Rightarrow \Omega_-$  is effective longitudinal focusing, induced by space charge and coupling.

**Focusing** requires

$$b = K_z (K_x + h^2 \gamma^2 - k_x) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow K_x > k_x - h^2 \gamma^2$$

The radial focusing force  $k_x$  is given by:

$$k_x = h^2 (1 + n) = h^2 \left( 1 + \frac{r}{B} \frac{dB}{dr} \right)$$

The isochronous field plus a **small but important field error**  $\varepsilon$ :

$$B(r) = B_0 \gamma (1 + \varepsilon) = B_0 \frac{1 + \varepsilon}{\sqrt{1 - (r/a)^2}},$$

This gives

$$k_x = h^2 \gamma^2 + \frac{1}{r} \frac{d\varepsilon}{dr}.$$

Focusing condition:

$$K_x > \frac{1}{r} \frac{d\varepsilon}{dr}$$

$\omega_0 = N_h \omega_{rf}$  is **nominal** orbital frequency,  $N_h$  is the harmonic number,  $\omega$  **real** orbital frequency and  $\phi$  is phase. Then:

$$\varepsilon \approx 1 - \frac{\omega_0}{\omega} = -\frac{1}{2\pi N_h} \frac{d\phi}{dE} \frac{dE}{dn}.$$

With  $\frac{dE}{dn} = V \cos \phi$  and  $\frac{dE}{dr} = m c^2 \gamma^3 r/a^2$  this gives:

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d\varepsilon}{dr} = \frac{d\varepsilon}{dE} \frac{dE}{dr} \approx -\frac{V m c^2 \gamma^3}{2\pi N_h a^2} \left( \frac{d^2\phi}{dE^2} \cos \phi - \left( \frac{d\phi}{dE} \right)^2 \sin \phi \right).$$

Focusing condition ( $\sin \phi \approx 0$ , factors approx. const):

$$K_x > -\text{const} \frac{d^2\phi}{dE^2} \cos \phi.$$

**⇒ Longitudinal focusing depends on phase curve!**

Slip factor  $\eta$  (used by synchrotron people;-):

$$\eta = \frac{p}{T} \frac{dT}{dp} = \frac{1}{\gamma_t^2} - \frac{1}{\gamma^2},$$

where  $\gamma_t$  is the “transition gamma”. In order to relate  $\gamma_t$  to the parameters  $\varepsilon$  and  $\phi$ , we derive an expression for  $\gamma_t$  from the definition

$$\gamma_t^2 \equiv \frac{r}{p} \frac{dp}{dr}.$$

With  $B(r) = B_0 \frac{1+\varepsilon(r)}{\sqrt{1-\frac{r^2}{a^2}}}$  and  $p = r q B(r)$  this gives:

$$\gamma_t^2 = \gamma^2 + r \frac{d\varepsilon}{dr}.$$

and so in first order:

$$\eta = -r \frac{d\varepsilon}{dr}.$$

$$\eta = \frac{1}{\gamma_t^2} - \frac{1}{\gamma^2},$$

Above transition ( $\gamma > \gamma_t$ ) one has  $\eta > 0$ , below transition,  $\eta < 0$ .

Focusing condition is expressed with “slip factor”  $\eta$ :

$$K_x > -\frac{\eta}{r^2}$$

Above transition ( $\eta > 0$ ) we have focusing (stability?), below transition we have a threshold.

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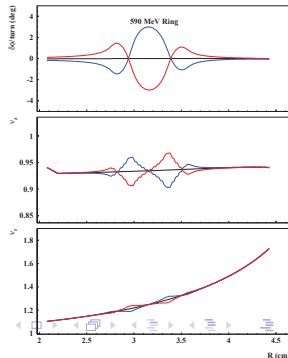
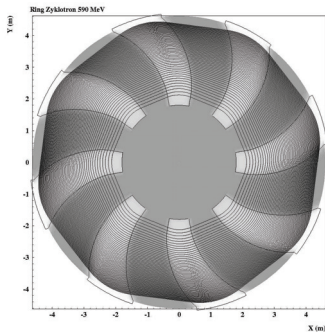
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- OPAL [5, 6]: **O**bject oriented **P**arallel **A**ccelerator **L**ibrary developed at PSI ([amas.web.psi.ch](http://amas.web.psi.ch)).
- Flavor OPAL -cycl dedicated for the simulation of high intensity cyclotrons.
- Space charge solver: Particle in cell (PIC)-method to compute space charge potential.
- FFT-method for solving electrostatic forces.
- Parallel computing allows to track  $10^5$  or more particles simultaneously in the cyclotron.
- OPAL uses MAD language with extensions.
- Other flavors for beam transport lines / Linacs available.



- 1 Create “ideal” ring machine: Geometry similar to ring machine.
- 2 Adjust perfect or distorted isochronism (see figure).
- 3 Compute  $\sigma$ -matrix of matched beam distribution for given emittances and beam current [8, 10].
- 4 Create random Gaussian distribution with  $10^5$  according to  $\sigma$ -matrix [11].



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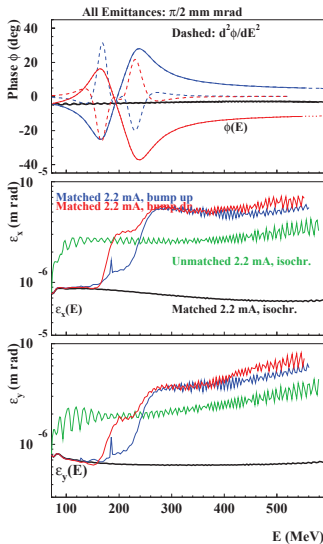
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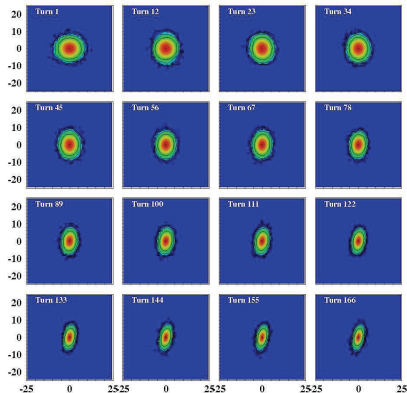
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Matched beam, flat phase (black):



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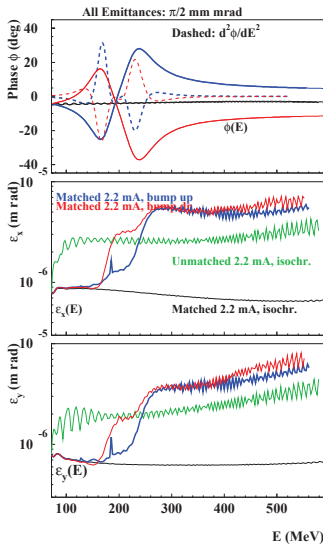
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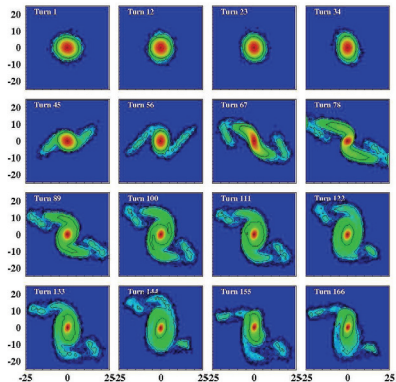
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Matched beam, blue phase:



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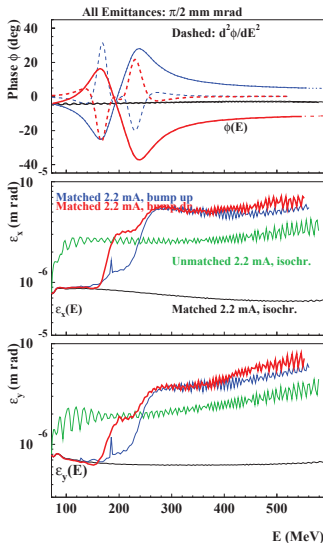
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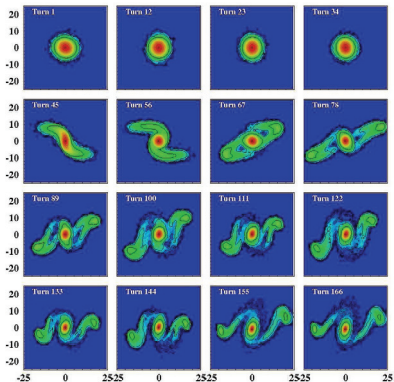
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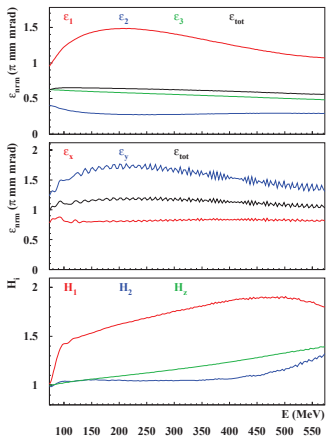
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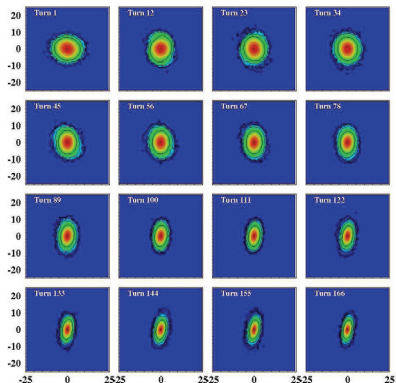
Matched beam, red phase:

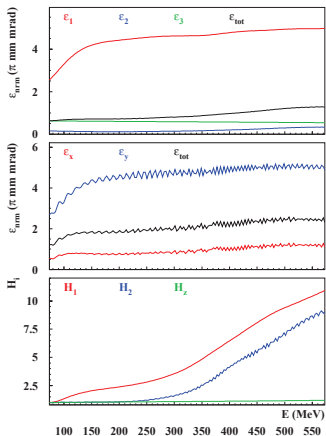




Emittances and Halo-Parameters  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  [7] vs. energy for a 5 mA beam with emittance-ratio of  $\frac{1}{3} : 1 : \frac{3}{2}$ . A little bit of spiralling, but bunch stays stable.

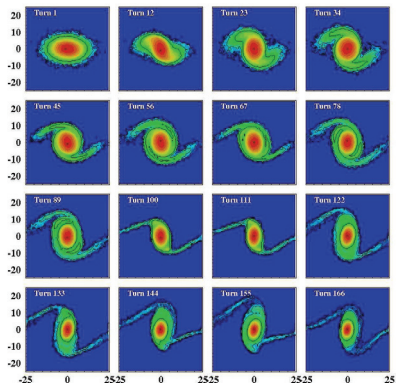
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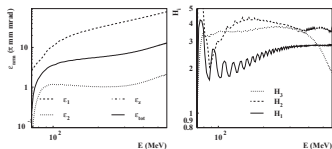




Emittances and Halo-Parameters  $H_1$ ,  $H_2$ ,  $H_3$  [7] vs. energy for a 5 mA beam with emittances-ratio of  $\frac{1}{4} : 1 : 4$ . Spiralling clearly visible, bunch core stable but of huge halo produced.

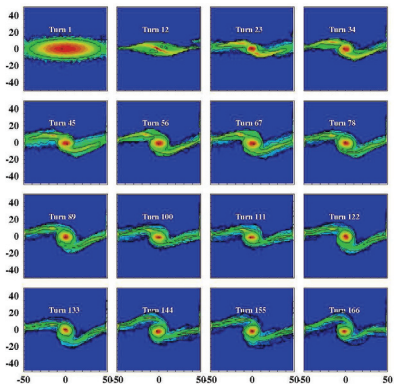
Matched **elliptic** beam, flat phase:





Emittances and Halo-Parameters  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  [7] vs. energy for a 5 mA beam with emittance-ratio of  $\frac{1}{10} : \frac{1}{10} : 12.5$ . Even though the beam was **matched** in the linear model, the unequal emittances cause **instability**.

Matched **elliptic** beam, flat phase:



Result: Matching and focusing are necessary, but not sufficient for bunch compactness. **Emittance balancing is also required.**

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Nielson, Sessler and Symon: "The instability **above transition** derives from the fact that a force acting on an ion in the direction of motion so as to increase its energy thereby decreases its revolution frequency; in angular coordinate  $\theta$  the acceleration is in a direction opposite to the direction of applied torque. [...] Since this behavior leads in the wave equation describing the motion of the perturbation to a negative inertia term, we refer to the instability as **the negative mass instability.**"

Pozdeyev, Rodriguez, Marti and York: "Because the beam behavior significantly differed from that predicted by the model of the **negative mass instability**, the cause of the instability originally was **not completely understood.** [...] The negative mass instability can only occur if  **$\eta$  is positive.**"



Symplectic decoupling of  $\mathbf{F}$  yields [9]:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{F}} = \mathbf{RFR}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\Gamma \\ 0 & 0 & \gamma^2 K_z & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

with parameters  $\beta > 0$  and  $\Gamma > 0$ . The corresponding Hamiltonian in normal coordinates

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}' = \tilde{x}'^2 + \beta \tilde{x}^2 - \Gamma \tilde{\delta}^2 - \gamma^2 K_z \tilde{z}^2$$

contains a **negative kinetic energy term**.  $\Rightarrow$  **negative effective mass**.

1st: What happens above/below transition?

2nd: What means stability/instability?

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Can a Hamiltonian of this form be associated with a stable particle distribution (?):

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}} = \tilde{x}'^2 + \beta \tilde{x}^2 - \Gamma \tilde{\delta}^2 - \gamma^2 K_z \tilde{z}^2$$

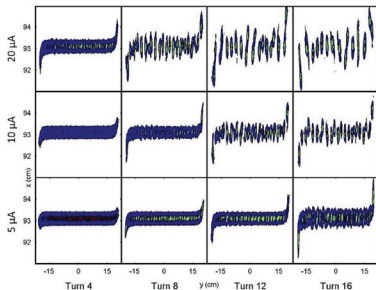
⇒ Boltzmann equilibrium  $\propto \exp(-\tilde{\mathcal{H}}/kT)$  does not exist!

⇒ **No thermodynamic equilibrium**: energy can be reduced by emittance transfer into the canonical coordinate with negative effective mass (i.e. momentum spread). This process is linearly suppressed as it is non-symplectic. And it is suppressed, if the emittances (“occupation numbers”) of all degrees of freedom are equal.

⇒ bunch is **“metastable”**.

Why do Nielson *et al*, Rodriguez *et al* claim **instability above transition**, where we expect **focusing** and therefore **stability**?

- A beam can be **(mis-)matched** only, if there is **focusing** in all degrees of freedom.
- Only **above** transition there is **focusing** in all degrees of freedom.
- Hence only above transition there can be **matched** and **mismatched** beams.
- Thesis: Beam breakup by “negative mass instability” is just a special kind of “mismatching”.
- But: When and why does a mismatched beam break up?



Beam breakup in small isochronous ring (SIR) [4], caused by "mismatching".

- SIR: Why does the beam "break up" instead of forming a "super-ellipsoid"?
- Longitudinal focusing has no unique "zero" position; only **relative to the bunch center**.
- Very long bunches have no sharp or well-defined "bunch center".
- SIR: a strongly mismatched beam breaks up into a number of matched self-focusing bunches.
- ⇒ The "instability" might be re-interpreted as **"mismatching"**.

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- 1 If the longitudinal focusing frequency is **imaginary**, the beam **expands** longitudinally.
- 2 The horizontal-longitudinal coupling increases also horizontal beam size.
- 3 The beam expansion reduces space charge forces.
- 4 The reduced space charge forces reduce focusing.
- 5 Without flat-top cavity:
  - 6  $\Rightarrow$  filamentation  $\Rightarrow$  **irreversible** increase of emittance.
  - 7  $\Rightarrow$  increased extraction losses.

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- 1 If space charge is sufficiently strong and the field isochronous, the beam is longitudinally focused.
- 2 A focused beam must be matched and the emittances balanced in order to stay compact.
- 3 In a mismatched or unbalanced beam the spiralling caused by (non-linear) space charge produces a halo.
- 4 In case of strong mismatching or imbalance the emittance increase is large enough to destroy focusing.
- 5 Even in case of a matched and balanced beam, a poor isochronism or a passage of the transition can destroy the focusing.

First conclusion: “Simple” linear matching model works - with some additional considerations. But: Iteration required for accurate solution [8].

If high power cyclotrons (“dream machines”) are supposed to take advantage of longitudinal focusing by space charge, ...

- ...the injected beam should be **matched**.
- ...the emittances should be **balanced**.
- ...the phase curve must be sufficiently flat over **all turns**.
- ...a **high beam brightness** is required (PSI-Ring:  $\varepsilon \leq 1.5 \mu m rad$  at 2.2 mA).
- ...the focusing frequency  $\nu_z$  should be **as high as possible**.
- ...the cyclotron optics should be simulated before the finalization of design.

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