# Halo dynamics and control with hollow electron beams

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Halo dynamics and accelerator performance
 Measurements of halo diffusion with collimator scans

- The hollow electron beam collimator
- Effect of the hollow beam collimator on halo diffusion

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# Part I: Halo diffusion measurements

#### Halo dynamics and accelerator performance



# Dynamics is in general very rich



Superposition of many effects (some random) can make halo dynamics stochastic

This is often empirically confirmed by relaxation of losses ~ 1/sqrt(t) during collimator setup



#### Diffusion rate vs. amplitude from collimator scans



# 1-dimensional diffusion cartoon of collimation



# Diffusion model of loss rate evolution in collimator scans

0.04

0.03

0.02

0.01

0.00

Time [s]

0

0.25

0.5

0.75

10

20 50

160

320

Distribution function [µm<sup>-1</sup>]

collimator step

inward

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Time [s]

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collimator step

outward

Distribution function evolves under diffusion with boundary condition at collimator

 $\partial_t f = \partial_J \left( D \cdot \partial_J f \right)$ 



# Diffusion model fit to loss rate data



# Comparison of beam halo diffusion in the Tevatron and in the LHC



# Part II: The hollow electron beam collimator and halo diffusion

# Hollow beam collimation in the Tevatron: layout of the beams



# Hollow beam collimation in the Tevatron: layout of the beams



# A good complement to a two-stage system for high intensities?

- ▶ Can be close to or even overlap with the main beam
  - no material damage
  - tunable strength ("variable thickness")
- Works as "soft scraper" by enhancing diffusion
- Low impedance
- Resonant excitation is possible (pulsed e-beam)
- No ion breakup
- Position control by magnetic fields (no motors or bellows)
- Established electron-cooling / electron-lens technology
  - Critical beam alignment
  - Space-charge evolution of hollow beam profile

- Stability of the beams at high intensity
- Cost

# **Experimental studies of hollow electron beam collimation**

- ▶ Tevatron experiments (Oct. '10 Sep. '11) provided experimental foundation
- Main results
  - compatibility with collider operations
  - alignment is reliable and reproducible
  - smooth halo removal
  - removal rate vs. particle amplitude
  - **negligible effects on the core** (particle removal or emittance growth)
  - **suppression of loss-rate fluctuations** (beam jitter, tune changes)
  - effects on collimation efficiency
  - transverse beam halo diffusion enhancement
- First results:
  - ▶ Phys. Rev. Lett. **107**, 084802 (2011)
  - ▶ IPAC11, p. 1939
  - ► APS/DPF Proceedings, arXiv:1110.0144 [physics.acc-ph]

focus of this part of the talk

# 1-dimensional diffusion cartoon of collimation



# 1-dimensional diffusion cartoon with hollow electron beam



# Measured effect of the hollow electron lens on diffusion in the Tevatron

Electrons (0.9 A) on pbar train #2, 4.25 $\sigma$  hole Example of **vertical collimator step out**, 50  $\mu$ m



# Measured effect of the hollow electron lens on diffusion in the Tevatron



Large diffusion enhancement in halo region

#### Application to the LHC and other facilities?

#### **Numerical simulations**

Understanding of Tevatron observations Predictions for SPS and LHC Main observables halo removal rates diffusion enhancement

Development of **hollow electron guns** Improve design/testing technology Produce prototypes for LHC

> Study possible TEL2 **integration in LHC or SPS** Preparatory work at FNAL Scientific and technical aspects

# Lifetrac simulation of removal rates in the Tevatron



#### Lifetrac simulation: example of effects of hollow electron beam in LHC



Frequency map analysis (FMA) shows new resonances and increased tune jitter for particles between 4 and 6 sigma

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#### New 25-mm hollow gun



- > 25 mm outer diameter, 13.5 inner diameter
- Designed with LHC in mind: 2.2 A at 5 kV, 6.3 A at 10 kV
- Goal: test technical feasibility of larger and stronger scraper
- Characterized at Fermilab electron-lens test stand

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# **Candidate locations for electron lens in SPS and LHC**



# Conclusions

- ▶ Halo dynamics is often stochastic, due to the nature and number of effects in real machines
- Collimator scans are a sensitive tool for the study of halo diffusion vs. amplitude:
  - diffusion coefficients
  - beam populations
  - Ifetimes/fluxes
  - impact parameters
  - collimation efficiencies
- Magnetically confined hollow electron beams are a safe and flexible technique
- for halo control in high-power accelerators
  - Tevatron experiments provided experimental foundation
  - diffusion enhancement presented here
  - application to LHC being investigated
  - benefits for other facilities?

Thank you!