AGS Polarized Proton Operation in Run 2009

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Depolarizing Resonances in the AGS

Imperfection Resonances

 $v_s = n$ (integer) $G\gamma = 5, 6, ...45$ partial snake(s) Vertical Intrinsic Resonances

 $v_s = kP \pm v_y$

Strong ones: $G\gamma=0+v_y, 12+v_y, 36\pm v_y$ strong partial snakes Note: with two partial snakes in the AGS, P=1. There are a lot weak intrinsic resonances as the result.

Horizontal Intrinsic Resonances

1. non-vertical stable spin direction due to strong partial snake.

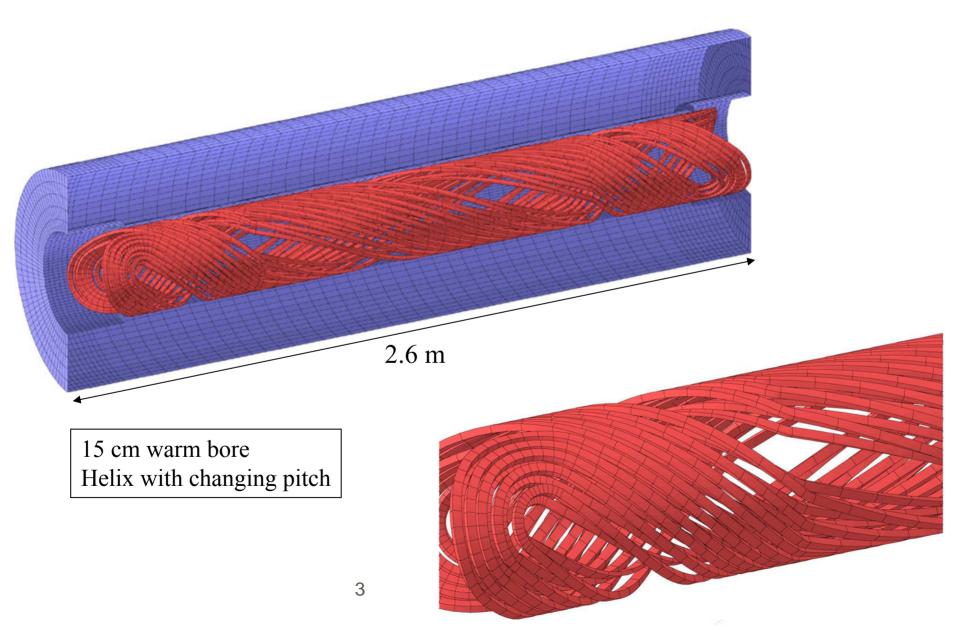
2. betatron motion coupled to the vertical betatron motion by coupling elements: solenoid, helical magnet.

 $v_s = k \pm v_x$ fast crossing speed, strong partial snakes **Partial Snake Resonances**

strength proportional to nearby intrinsic resonance strength.

 $v_s = kP \pm mv_y$, m>1₂ avoid the resonance tunes **BROOKH**

AGS Super-conducting Helical Snake



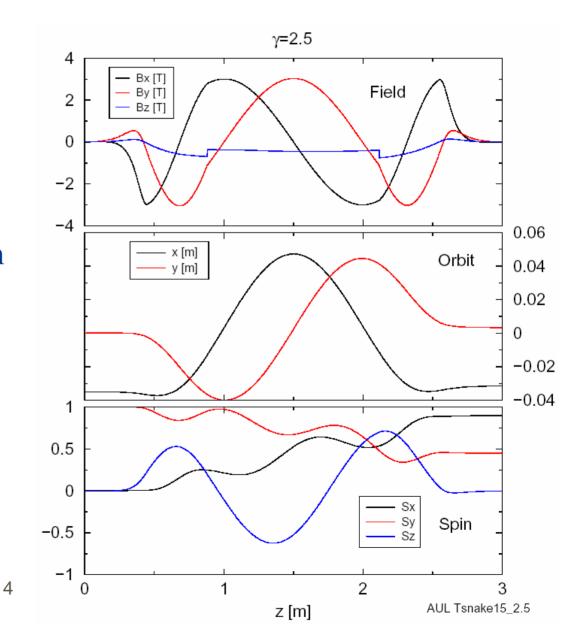
Design of ~ 25% Partial Snake

Changing pitch helix

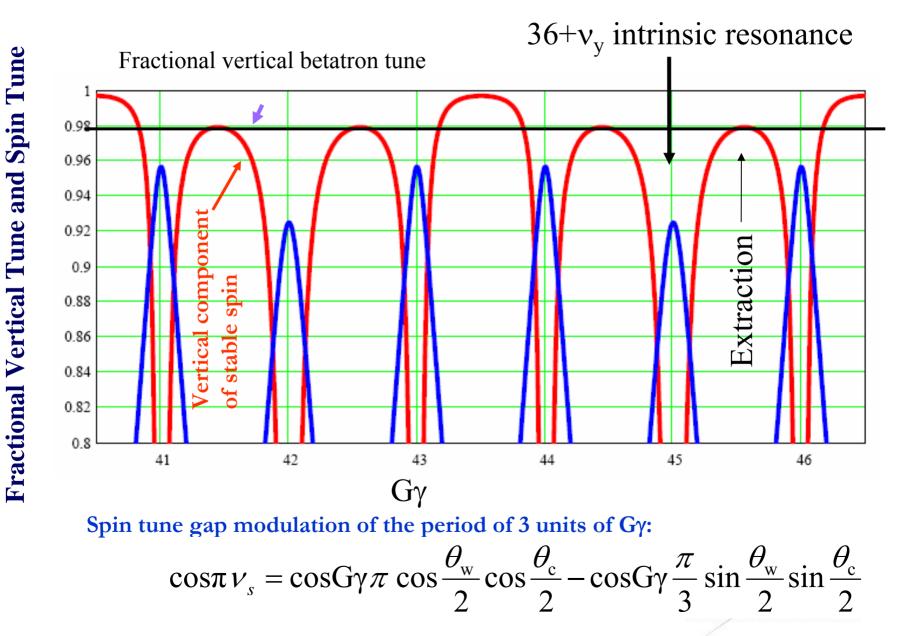
Horizontal orbit offset

~ 4 cm max. excursion

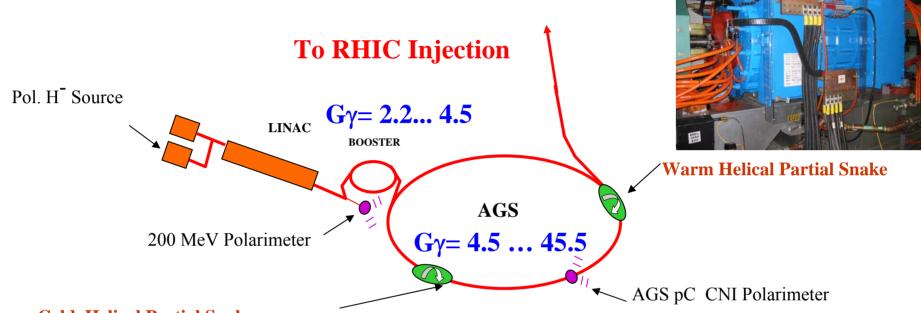
Central solenoid for coupling correction



Spin tune with two partial snakes



AGS as RHIC Polarized Proton Injector



Cold Helical Partial Snake



AGS ramp rate is 2.2T/s, or 450ms for 2.4GeV to 23.8GeV. Two partial snakes match spin better and maintain polarization up to 65% with 82% input polarization.

H. Huang, et al., PRL. 99, 154801 (2007).



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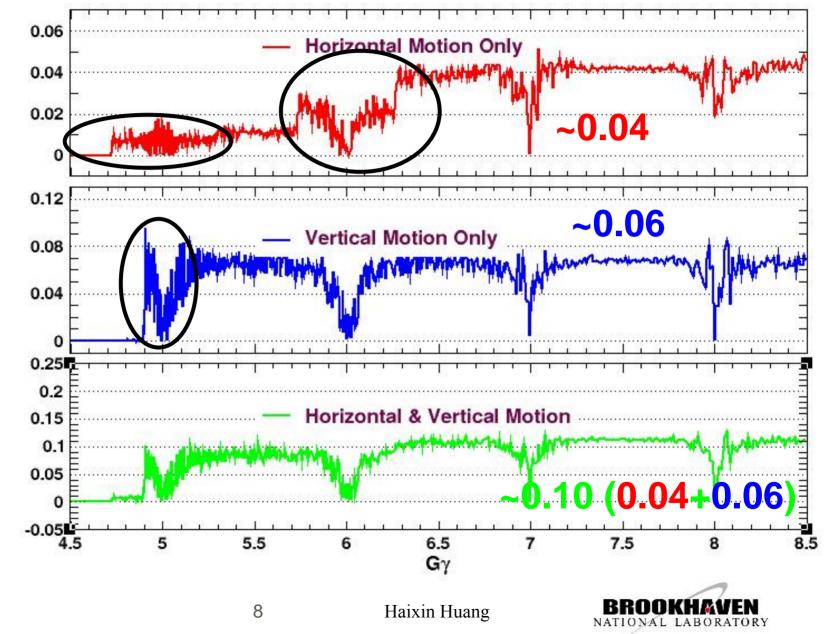
What Are the Sources of the Polarization Loss?

- Imperfection and vertical intrinsic resonances have been taken care of by the dual partial snakes (except a few vertical ones near injection as vertical tune is outside the spin tune gap).
- The sources of remaining polarization losses:
 - due to horizontal intrinsic resonances along the ramp.
 - the snake resonances associated with strong vertical intrinsic resonances, mostly at the strongest resonance $36+v_{\rm v}$.
 - With the insertion of partial snakes, the superperiodicity P is one. The slow ramp rate and large lattice distortion near injection result polarization loss due to both horizontal and vertical intrinsic resonances.



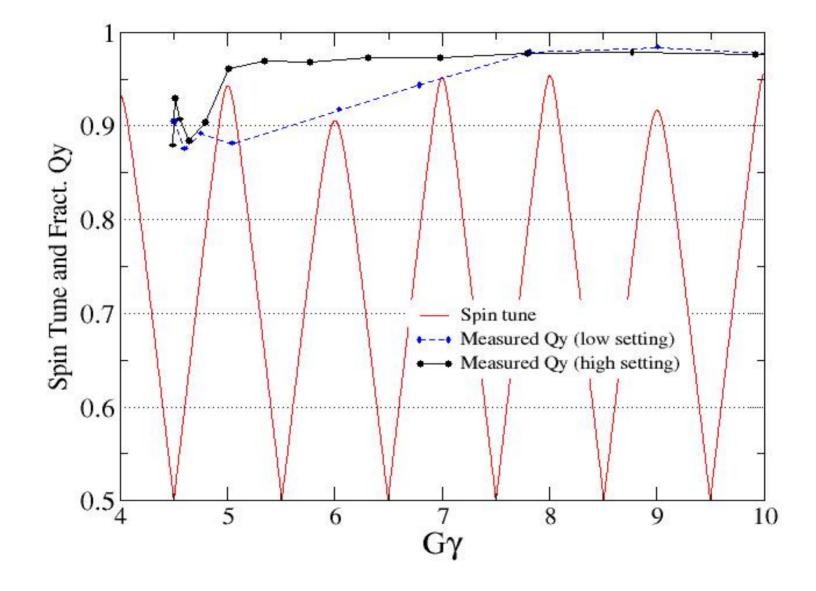
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Polarization Loss Near Injection

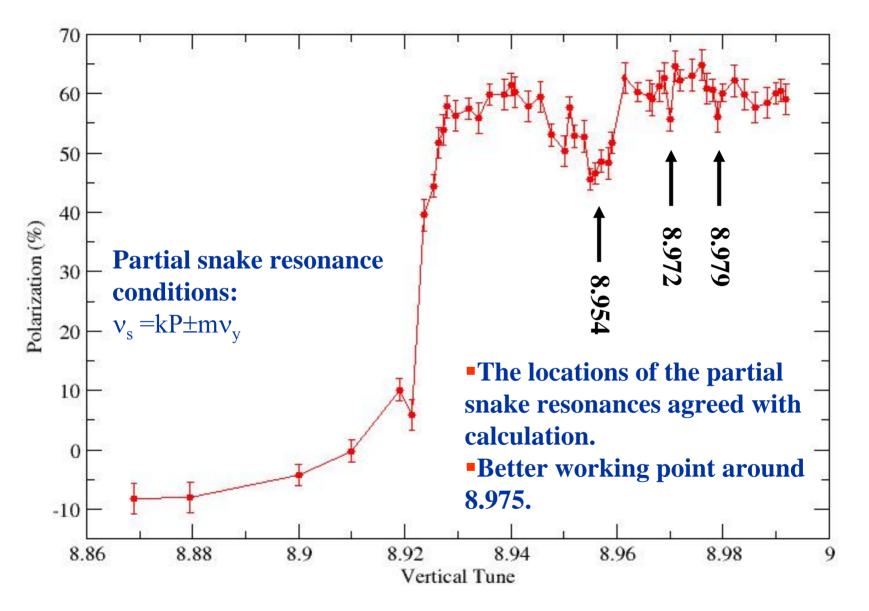


Relative Polarization Loss

Higher Q_v Near Injection: within Spin Tune Gap

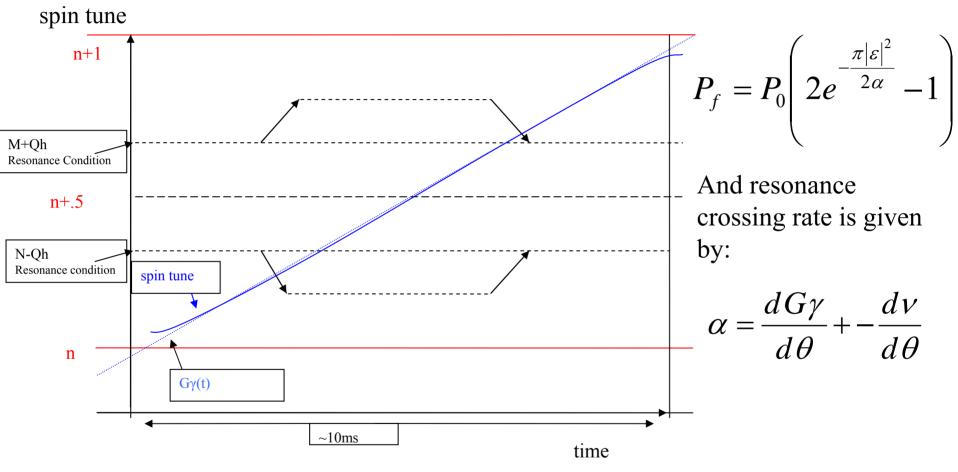


Detailed Vertical Tune Scan at 36-



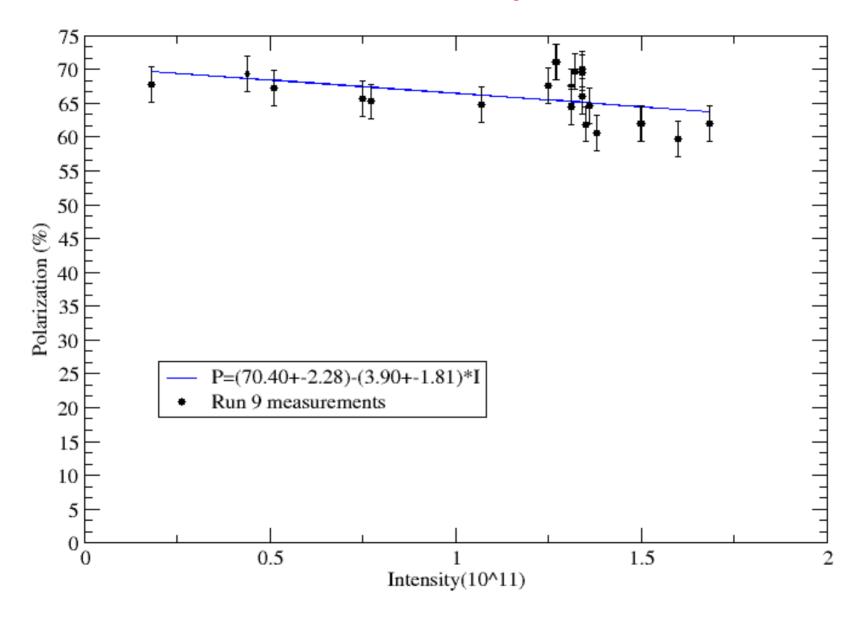
Horizontal Tune Jump

For an isolated resonance,



Change of v_x is 0.04 in 100 µs. This increases the crossing speed in about 4 times. The two quads are ready for installation and beam test will follow. Maintain the adiabaticity is the key to minimize any emittance growth even for the benign tune jump.

Polarization vs. Intensity



Summary

- Imperfection and vertical intrinsic resonances have been overcome by the dual partial snakes, including the ones near injection after raising the vertical tune into the spin tune gap.
- The vertical tune path has been carefully mapped out in the vicinities of strong intrinsic resonances to optimize polarization level (36-v as an example). Work continues for other intrinsic resonances.
- The new horizontal tune jump system will be tested to overcome the horizontal intrinsic resonances.



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