Beam - RF Interactions in Twisted Cavities



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Motivation

- 1) Twisted structures are promising candidates for accelerating cavities at velocities $\beta \le 1$.
- 2) Maxwell's equations were initially solved in twisted geometries using perturbation methods at small twist rates.
- 3) They are now accurately solved for arbitrary twist rates by 2D and 3D finite difference methods.
- 4) Bench models have been constructed and modes compared with numerical solutions (M. Awida, Y. Kang, et al. This conference). Prototype structures are being fabricated.
- 5) We have initiated time-dependent 3D particle tracking studies to support the development of twisted accelerating cavities.



Twisted Waveguide with Dumbbell Cross Section





On-axis tracking: Accelerating Gradient Decreases with Increasing Number of Field Periods



- * 1 m ≈ 30 FP
- * Loss due to phase slip
- * Cavity lengths varied by replicating periodic solutions



Accelerating Gradient vs Velocity $\boldsymbol{\beta}$

- For a 1 meter cavity (30 field periods), 1/3 the acceleration is lost with β deviations of ±0.02.
- For an 0.2 meter cavity (6 field periods), protons having 0.52<β<0.72 get at least 2/3 the accelerating gradient.
- The relative phase between the protons and the cavity for maximum acceleration is a strong function of the particle velocity.





Acceleration vs Phase for Different Velocities





Accelerating Fields and Particle Momenta for Different Phases

- Maximum acceleration decreases for velocities away from cavity β.
- Phase for maximum acceleration is a strong function of velocity.
- Depending on relative phase, cavity can accelerate or decelerate.





Acceleration of Bunches

- Accelerate 6D Gaussian bunch with:
 - $-\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 1.4 \text{ mm}$
 - $-\sigma_{x'}=\sigma_{y'}=0.14$ mradians
 - σ_{φ} =9 degrees
 - $-\sigma_{\rm E}$ =0.23 MeV
- Study bunch behavior with respect to reference particle.
- Longitudinal focusing depends on relative phase.
 - At -30 degrees, particles get ~86% of maximum acceleration.
- For transverse motion:
 - Coordinates change little over length of cavity, but appear to rotate clockwise and expand slightly in x.
 - More can be learned by examining transverse momenta.



x (mm)



Effect of Transverse Fields

- The transverse fields couple the motion in the horizontal and vertical planes.
- The coupling strength is quite linear in the coordinate sizes.
- The effect is more than twice as pronounced in the horizontal plane than in the vertical plane.
- Although the effect weakens with increasing separation of particle phase and maximum accelerating phase, it is present at likely phases for acceleration.
- The observed coupling is independent of velocity over the range of accelerated particles.





Source of the Coupling: Transverse E







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Transverse Momentum Change

- Horizontally displaced protons get vertical kicks.
- Vertically displaced protons get horizontal kicks.
- The kicks lead to clockwise rotation.
- The beam is defocused horizontally, but not vertically.
- Beam focusing issues can be addressed by including quadrupole magnets.
- For controlling coupling, skew quadrupoles are required.





Next Steps

- These results are just an initial exercise in tracking in twisted RF cavities. We learned that:
 - Twisted cavities can effectively accelerate protons over an acceptable range of velocities provided that the cavities have a limited number (~6) field periods.
 - Longitudinal dynamics (acceleration and focusing) of bunches appears to behave conventionally.
 - Transverse dynamics shows coupling between the x and y planes off axis due to transverse electric fields.
- We need to factor these results in to the iteration of the cavity design.
- We need to study other cavities: different β, different cross sections, β=1 for electrons.
- We need to generalize the model:
 - Consider end field effects.
 - Consider space charge and beam loading.
 - Incorporate into lattice design with tracking.

