### The SNS Laser Stripping Experiment and its Implications on Beam Accumulation

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## **Achieving High Beam Densities**



Liousville's Theorem:

The density of particles in a phase space is constant. (for a Hamiltonian system).



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Increasing beam density requires non-Liousvillian techniques:

- Increase beam density after injection: Cooling
  - Electron cooling
  - Stochastic cooling
  - Laser cooling
    - ...

Increase beam density during injection: H<sup>-</sup> charge exchange injection.





### H<sup>-</sup> Charge Exchange Injection Concept



Beam pipe

# SNS Foils @ 1.3 MW

Nanocrystalline Diamond ~400 ug/cm<sup>2</sup> (1 µm thick)





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# **Limitation: Injection Foil Heating (SNS)**

Foil heating simulations for SNS, 1.4 MW, 60 Hz



#### Sublimation is a limitation on achievable beam power density



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# **Limitation: Foil-Induced Radiation**

Typical injection losses 1 order of magnitude higher than rest of ring:

- SNS: 800 mrem/hr @ injection
- PSR: 1000 mrem/hr @ injection





Dual plane injection painting utilized to minimize these losses.

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# **Simulating "Foil-free" Injection**

What if the foil didn't exist? Let's do the experiment.



### Parameters:

- 940 MeV
- 1 Hz (Nominal is 60 Hz)
- 1.3 x 10<sup>14</sup> ppp (1.3 MW equivalent @ 60 Hz)
- 1 ms accumulation (1000 turns)

Quick, non-comprehensive scan through different accumulation configurations.



### **Measured RMS Emittances**



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### Implications of Foil Free Higher Beam Density ("In Principle")

Scenario: Factor 2 smaller emittance beam, no foil.

Simply scaling implies (SNS example)....

Parameter	Currently	Fictitious No Foil Case
Injection Radiation	1 rem/hr	< 5 mrem/hr
Machine aperture	100 cm	70 cm
Injection Painting	Optimized to reduce foil passages	Optimized for space charge, distribution

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### Implications of High Power Density ("In Reality")



### **Implications of Higher Density Beam (Reality)**

Parameter	Currently		Highest Density Case
Injection Radiation	1 rem/hr (@	) 30cm)	> 10 rem/hr (@ 30cm)
SNS Foil Max Temp	1550 K	$\left(P \propto \sigma T^4\right)$	> 2500K



### **Laser Stripping Concept**



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# **The Laser Stripping Project**



- Required 10 MW, diverging laser to accommodate excitation frequency spread
- Straightforward scaling to 1 ms requires ~600 kW avg UV laser power (too much!)

#### **SNS Laser Stripping Project:**



- Demonstrate laser stripping for longer pulse lengths:
  - 10 us (2016)
  - 1 ms (2019?)
- Technology aimed at HEP applications.
- Funded by DOE HEP grant (DE-FG0213ER41967) UT, ORNL, Fermilab

### **Reducing Peak Laser Power Requirement**

### **Eliminate transition frequency spread fundamentally:**

1. Dispersion Tailoring (Danilov et al)



2. Minimize transverse angular spread, Twiss  $\alpha$ =0

### Maximize laser-ion beam interaction with vertical squeeze:

1. Transverse (vertical) squeeze:  $\sigma_v$ < 0.2 mm

### Required peak UV laser power: 10 MW - 1 MW

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### **Reducing Average Laser Power Requirement**

### **Temporal matching**





#### Bunch squeeze to maximize interaction

Configure last ~10 SCL cavities to provide long focusing at interaction point.

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## **Experimental Configuration**

Interaction point in the HEBT, laser in the Ring Service Building.

Laser transport introduces complications (power loss, pointing stability)



## **Experimental Station Final Design**



### **Installed Experimental Station**



### **Laser-Ion Beam Temporal Matching**

### UV peak power achieved: 1.3 - 3.0 MW

Structure	Time	Frequency
Micropulse	30 – 55 ps	402.5 MHz
Macropulse	5 – 10 us	10 Hz

### Master oscillator power amplification (MOPA) system



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## **Laser Transport Mock-Ups**

- Piezoelectric tuner will stabilize laser against > 1 Hz drift. Higher frequency not expected.
- Mirror losses independently measured to be  $\leq 1\%$ .
- Expect ~ 1/3 power loss (Fresnel diffraction, higher order mode loss).



# **Laser Stripping Efficiency Calculation**

- All ion and laser beam parameters achieved.
- Measured parameters used to calculate laser stripping efficiency (pyORBIT model)



# The Next Step: 1 ms

Add the recycling cavity to achieve 1 ms laser pulses



- Power recycling cavity relies on CW laser for stable lock.
- Amplification of burst mode laser.
- 50 times power enhancement demonstrated.

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Generator

Oscillato

## **Other Observations of Note**

1. Advantages and disadvantages of Laser Stripping:



Some of the disadvantages are problems that will resolve with time, experience

- 2. Laser stripping is more advantageous at high beam energies:
  - Lower frequency laser required: Harmonic generation requires less peak power.
  - Laser power density transformation scales as energy squared:  $Q \propto \frac{Q_0}{v^2}$ ullet

### Summary

- 1. Material free charge-exchange injection has major advantages over foil-based systems:
  - Virtually no injection beam loss
  - Allows direct accumulation of higher density beams
- 2. Laser stripping injection under development at SNS (UT-ORNL-Fermilab):
  - Demonstrate 10 us stripping, > 90% efficiency (2016)
  - Demonstrate 1 ms stripping, > 90% efficiency (~2019)

