Laser Cooling of Relativistic Ion Beams Recent Results and Future Perspectives

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Atomic Physics at Relativistic Beam Energies



Laser Cooling at Relativistic Energies – Relativistic Doppler Shift







Scanning Laser Frequency with a Coasting Ion Beam



Bunching the Ion Beam counteracts the Laser Force





C³⁺ Laser Cooling Setup (ESR, CSRe)



Line Shape determines the Probability of Photon Absorption



Scattering Rate of Photons is directly proportional to Line Shape

$$\begin{aligned} R'(\delta') &= L'(\delta') / \tau'_{trans} = \frac{1}{2\tau'_{trans}} \frac{S'(1/\tau'_{trans})^2}{4\delta'^2 + (1/\tau'_{trans})^2(1+S')} \\ \delta' &= \omega'_{photon} - \omega'_{trans} - \Delta p'_{ion} k'_{phot} / m'_{ion} \\ S' &\sim 1 \qquad : \text{Saturation Parameter} \\ t'_{trans} &\sim \text{ns} \qquad : \text{Lifetime of the Transition} \\ (\text{determines minimum cooling time!}) \\ d' &\qquad : \text{detuning between laser light and atomic transition} \\ (\text{photon frequency in rest frame!}) \end{aligned}$$



Saturation Intensity > 1, depends on Relativistic Effects and Transition

$$S' = \frac{I'_{laser}}{I'_{sat}}$$
$$I'_{sat} = \frac{2\pi^2 hc}{3\tau'_{trans}\lambda'^3_{trans}} = P'_{sat} / (\pi w'^2_{laser})$$

l'_{sat}

I_{sat} for C³⁺

: Saturation Intensity (laser power depends on the ion beam diameter)
: Laser Spot Size = Ion Beam Diameter (we need between 1 mW to 100 mW)

C³⁺ @ ESR, CSRe
$$(1+b)^{-3}g^{-4}I'_{sat} = 9.2 \text{ W/cm}^2 / ((1+0.47)^3 \times 1.13^4)$$

= 17.9 mW/mm²



Force = Momentum Transfer Rate



Laser Cooling Force vs. Electron Cooling Force (Coasting Beam)



20 mW Laser Beam working against the 250 mA Electron Cooler



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Electron Cooler "heats up" laser-cooled Part of Beam



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Schottky Measurements of Bunched Laser Cooling





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With increasing Coupling, IBS increases (but not forever!)



How would a Crystalline Beam look like?





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The Structure of Ion Crystals depends on the Confinement Potential





Laser Cooling at ESR (see Poster by W. Wen for CSRe Activities)



Scanning the Bucket Frequency (2004, 2006)



 $f_{bunch} = 20 \text{ x } 1.295 \text{ MHz} - Df_{bunch}/Dt = 20 \text{ Hz} / 5 \text{ s} - f_{sync} \sim 170 \text{ Hz} - Dp/p_{accept} \approx 10^{-5}$





C ³⁺	
E _{beam}	= 122 MeV/u
	= 1.47 GeV
(b = 0.47, g = 1.13)	
f _{rev}	= 1.295 MHz
t _{beam}	~ 100 s
Slip factor	= 0.607
Betatron tune	= 2.3

Diode laser (cw) = 257 nm l_{laser}

 $2S_{1/2} \rightarrow 2P_{1/2}$ = 155.07 nm l_{rest} Dp/p ~ 10⁻⁵ = 3.8 ns t_{rest}

concept



Scanning the Laser Frequency (2012)



Schottky Measurements of Bunched Laser Cooling





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Turn-Key Pulsed Laser System (Dp/p acc. ~ 10⁻⁴, MHz repetition rate)



Zero Schottky Signal @ 16 mA (much better vacuum in 2006)



"Laser Cooling **[at mid-size Ion Storage Rings**] is not very active" **M. Steck on Monday (freely interpreted)**



"That's because there are not many mid-size **Rings available"** M. Bussmann







German & Chinese Activities in Laser Cooling

- 4 BMBF-funded University Contributions to Laser Cooling (1 x Dresden, 1 x Münster, 2 x Darmstadt) ~ 500 k€
- Chinese NSFC funding for Wen Weiqiang ~ 40 k€
- 1 Beam Time at ESR (2012), 2 at CSRe (2013, 2014) compared to 3 Beam Times between 1998 and 2006
- Dedicated Laser Cooling Project at SIS 100 inside the Helmholtz Program "Accelerator Research & Development"



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"ARD" Laser Cooling at SIS 100 (D. Winters, P. Spiller, M. Bussmann)



Lorentz-boosted Fluorescence (e.g. "Optical Schottky")







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