



RF Quadrupole Structures for Transverse Landau Damping in Circular Accelerators

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Collective instabilities ... and a way around them





Collective instabilities (Impedance-driven)

Landau damping

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A solution: Landau damping

How to generate tune spread?

Magnetic octupoles (1



 $\Delta Q_y^i = a_{yy} J_y^i + a_{xy} J_x^i$ Vertical tune 0.320 Betatron detuning with **transverse** action $\Delta Q_{x,y}^{i} \left(J_{x}^{i}, J_{y}^{i} \right)$ 0.318 0.308 0.310 0.312 Horizontal tune

 $\Delta Q_x^i = a_{xx} J_x^i + a_{xy} J_y^i$

RF quadrupole^[1-4] 2





0.322

Potential advantages of an RF quadrupole



- 1 m of RF quadrupole produces same RMS tune spread as max. LHC octupoles (@7 TeV)
- Higher energy machines
- Higher intensity / higher brightness beams
 - Manipulations in the transverse planes

- $\Delta J_{x,y} << \Delta J_{z}$ (LHC nom.: factor $10^4 - 10^5$ at 7 TeV)^[1,5]

0.0

0

3.0

- J_z provides much larger handle for detuning
- Octupoles: affected by higher beam rigidity & adiabatic damping (1/γ²)

2

1/γ

20

Beam energy [TeV]

RF quadrupole

1/v²

30

LHC Landau octupoles

40

50

 - RF quadrupole: only affected by higher beam rigidity (1/γ) (thanks to longitudinal blow-up^[6])

7 10

- Potentially more violent instabilities
- Smaller transverse emittance makes octupoles less effective
- E.g. halo cleaning: can decrease octupole detuning efficiency, while the RF quadrupole remains unaffected

Basic working principle of an RF quadrupole (I)



Basic working principle of an RF quadrupole (II)



J. Scott Berg and F. Ruggiero developed basic stability diagram theory for detuning with J^[9]



- Theory is approximate and does not include all the beam dynamics
 - At present best addressed with tracking codes
- Asymmetry in the two planes can be reduced with a two-family scheme, similarly to octupoles (see [10] for details)

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Proof of concept (I)

LHC experiment^[12]



- LHC at 3.5 TeV, single bunch
- Head-tail instability m = -1
- Rise time $\tau \approx 10$ s at I_{oct} = -10 A
- Cured with octupoles $I_{oct} = -15 \pm 5 A$

PyHEADTAIL



$I_{oct} = -17.5 \pm 2.5 \text{ A}$

Stability diagram theory



Excellent agreement between experiment, tracking, and theory

- Solid understanding of the involved mechanisms
- Landau damping from octupoles responsible for mitigation
- PyHEADTAIL models the machine accurately (e.g. reliable impedance model) and reproduces observations, in particular the Landau damping mechanism

Ideal study case to evaluate the stabilising effect of an RF quadrupole

Proof of concept (II)



Factor 10 difference in required active lengths for this particular instability. Expected to become even better at higher energies.

HL-LHC PyHEADTAIL study: Synergy between octupoles and RF quadrupole

- HL-LHC, single nominal bunch, 7 TeV^[14]
- Working point **Q' = 10**
- Head-tail mode with two nodes as observed in the LHC^[15]



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- Working point **Q' = 10**
- Head-tail mode with two nodes as observed in the LHC^[15]
- Without RF quadrupole: LHC Landau octupole current
 I_{oct} = (170 ± 10) A is required for stabilisation (accounting for impedance only)





(170 ± 10) A

- An RF quadrupole can significantly decrease the required octupole current
- It can also provide beam stability alone, here with 2-3 cavities
- Factor 34 difference in active lengths

Landau octupoles (≈ 17 m) RF quadrupole (≈ 0.5 m)

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Experimental studies (I)

Direct experimental validation of RF quadrupole simulations **is not possible** at present as no such cavity has been built yet

But: Stabilising mechanism can be verified using second order chromaticity Q"

How / why ?



Q" can be introduced in the LHC by powering the main sextupole magnets in a specific configuration^[16]

This has limitations and does not offer the same flexibility as an RF quadrupole

- Magnitude and range depend on the machine lattice
- It can in general not be a fully independent knob due to optics constraints
- It also creates detuning with *transverse* action $\Delta Q(J_x, J_y)$

Experimental studies^[16,17] (II)

Goal: Stabilise single bunches at 6.5 TeV with Q"

PyHEADTAIL predictions: Q'' creates large areas of stability interleaved with two unstable bands (different head-tail modes!)



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Experiment

Procedure: Introduce Q" and reduce the Landau octupole current to determine the single bunch stability threshold

Two different Q'' working points (both with $Q'_{x,y} = 15$)

- (a) $Q_x'' = 0 / Q_y'' = 0$ (@ $I_{oct} = 0 A$)
 - Bunches go unstable at $I_{oct} = 80^{+35}_{-20} A^{[14]}$ meas. vs. $I_{oct} = 105 \pm 5 A$ sim.
- (b) $Q_x'' \approx -40'000 / Q_y'' \approx -40'000 (@I_{oct} = 0 A)$
 - Octupoles can be reduced to I_{oct} = 0 A
 - 3 out of 4 bunches in the machine are stable
 - One bunch goes unstable (H) when reducing from I_{oct} = 36 A to 0 A
 - This is explained by the unstable band located next to the working point (b).

Measurements and simulations show excellent agreement on the unstable modes for both cases.



Vertical Q"

Experimental studies^[16,17] (II)



Summary

- Landau damping is an effective mechanism against (impedance-driven) collective instabilities^[9,12,15]
- **Required incoherent tune spread** can be produced e.g. with
 - **1. Magnetic octupoles:** Detuning with **transverse action** $\Delta Q(J_x, J_y)$
 - **2.** RF quadrupole / Q": Detuning with longitudinal action $\Delta Q(J_z)$
- ΔQ (J_z) offers several advantages
 - Large handle to create tune spread since $\Delta J_{x,y} \ll \Delta J_z \implies$ compact RF quadrupole, saves space for other components
 - Energy ramp: RMS tune spread decays as $1/\gamma$ only (compared to $1/\gamma^2$ for octupoles)
 - Low transverse emittance beams: smaller $\Delta J_{x,y}$ makes octupoles less effective
 - Manipulations in the transverse plane: affect octupoles, but not RF quadrupole
- PyHEADTAIL simulations show that the RF quadrupole works successfully and effectively either in combination with Landau octupoles or on its own
- Experimental tests with Q" in the LHC demonstrate that the mechanism contributes to beam stability and that PyHEADTAIL accurately models the involved effects

Outlook

- In terms of collective effects: simulations and experiments show promising results for stabilisation from an RF quadrupole or Q"
- There are still many challenges and questions to be addressed
 - Theoretical / analytical work: Further improve understanding of the involved mechanisms
 - Incoherent effects: Aperture and resonance studies
 - **Tolerance studies**: E.g. alignment of the cavity wrt. the bunch (effect of offset)
 - Other collective effects: Does the stabilising mechanism work against other types? E.g. electron cloud?
 - ...
 - Experimental proof of principle: Fabrication of prototype cavity and tests in existing machine

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Thank you

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