Transverse Space-Charge Coupling in the Fermilab Booster

1. The 'Plight' of the Booster

2. Coupling due to external fields (how to measure it)

3. Coupling due to space charge (we DID measure it)

4. Simulations – what we can reproduce (and what we can't yet)

The Booster, present-day photo



FERMILAB'S ACCELERATOR CHAIN



Old, but not winding down. In fact, Booster works harder than ever!

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A "short history" of Booster's march to higher intensity

- 1. (~1993) Injection-energy upgrade (200MeV to 400Mev)
 - More beam to the Tevatron!
- 2. (~1993) Main Injector commissioned
 - More beam to the Tevatron!
- 3. (last couple of years) NuMi and MiniBoone Experiments
 More beam needed, longer runtimes necessary
- 4. Space-charge effects are *maximized* at low energies. $\gamma = 1.4 \sim 9.4$
 - Booster is the FIRST (circular) accelerator in the mix

Booster is operating at intensities well above its design! (and nobody else can pick up the slack)

Bunch intensities $\sim 10^8 (1970's) \longrightarrow 3x10^9 (1992) \longrightarrow 6x10^{10} (today)$

Classic coupling

A familiar analogy



Consider the degenerate case (identical oscillators)

$$\omega_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2 \pm \sqrt{(\omega_1^2 - \omega_2^2) + 4q^2} \right] \longrightarrow \sqrt{\omega_0^2 \pm q^2}$$
Normal modes of oscillation

Mode Frequency vs Squared Coupling Strength



Splitting depends on coupling strength q

So you are probably wondering how this applies to a particle beam



So, again, *how* does this apply to a particle beam?

$$B_x = \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} y, \qquad B_y = \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial x} x$$

Quadrupole fields provide the "spring" in the two planes

$$B_{y} = \frac{\partial B_{y}}{\partial x} \left[x \cos 2\phi + y \sin 2\phi \right], \quad B_{x} = \frac{\partial B_{x}}{\partial y} \left[y \cos 2\phi - x \sin 2\phi \right]$$

Alignment *errors* in the normal quadrupoles can couple the two degrees of freedom

"Skewed" quadrupoles are used to correct for this ($\Phi = \pm 45^{\circ}$ for a skew-quad).

Or, they can be used to *increase* the coupling, if desired







What to do next:

Repeat the coupling study at higher/lower intensities (for better understanding of limiting behavior)

Develop a mechanism for space-charge coupling

Get the simulations to reproduce this result