Modelling H- Injection and Painting in Vertical and Horizontal FFAs Using OPAL

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## Charge Exchange Injection + Painting



- Ion source generates Hydrogen atoms with an extra electron
  - "H-" ions
- Accelerate and inject H- on top of circulating proton beam
  - H- and protons pass through a dipole at different angles → merge
  - Pass H- through a thin Carbon foil
  - H- are ionised leaving protons
- Painting the beam enables build up of different beam shapes
  - Inject H- at distance from the circulating proton beam core
  - Develop different beams e.g. "correlated" and "anti-correlated"
- Goal: minimise protons passing through foil
- Eventually move beam off foil for acceleration

### Vertical FFA



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## Tracking simulation - vFFA



vFFA has strongly coupled optics, from Maxwell's equations

- Skew quadrupole focusing in magnet body
- Solenoid focusing in magnet fringe field
- Vertical kick in fringe field if beam is not perfectly central

## Injection simulation - vFFA

- Use bump magnet to distort closed orbits
  - Now we need both horizontal and vertical bumps
- Challenging to achieve sufficient DA with good orbit separation
  - Option:- use F magnet to separate H- and H+ orbits



## Horizontal FFA



# Challenges

- Thin foil & foil handling issues
- Maintaining sufficient DA
- Space for septum and H- beam
  - Without disturbing main magnets
- Control/time structure of pulsed magnets
- Management of injection with tune variation
  - Probably choose to move injection orbit

# Injection

- Use bump magnet to distort closed orbits
  - Movement of circulating proton beam over 200 mm
  - 0.1 m long bump magnets
  - Max field ~ 0.30 T
- Concern about DA



#### 0.1 T merge dipole



## **Dynamic Aperture**



Caveat: Feb 2022 baseline

## **Injection process**







- Inject H<sup>-</sup>
- Sweep H<sup>-</sup> beam up
- Sweep H<sup>+</sup> close orbit horizontally
- Paint full phase space

- Collapse bump
- Beam moves clear of foil



## Movie

## Tune correction (S. Machida)



## Conclusions

#### Studies of injection in a small test ring

- HFFA
  - Good closed orbit separation
  - Sufficient DA
  - Need to update for new lattice
  - Need to account for variable tunes (moving proton closed orbit)
- VFFA
  - Move proton orbit arbitrarily in x-y plane
  - Still looking for good DA with sufficient orbit separation
  - Idea to use foil in F magnet to get orbit separation (WIP)