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### Lecture 1 The development of accelerator concepts

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### Motivations: Why does anyone care about accelerators?

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 $\tau^{1/2} = 6.5h$ 

**Materials** 

Exciting products... exciting opportunities

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Basic Research

### Accelerators are the hallmark of highly technological societies



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#### Societal applications & their technology develop from basic research

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Source: U. Amaldi



Major research machines are a tiny fraction of the total, but...

Sources: W. Maciszewski & W. Scharf, L. Rivkin, \* EPP2010, \*\* R. Hamm

### The history of accelerators is a history of 100 years of invention



- ➤ phase stability,
- strong focusing
- colliding beam storage rings;

### \* Dominant accelerator technologies

- superconducting magnets
- high power RF production
- normal & superconducting RF acceleration
- \* Substantial accomplishments in physics & technology
  - > non-linear dynamics, collective effects, beam diagnostics, etc.;

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- \* Years of experience with operating colliders.
  - Overcoming performance limits often requires development of sophisticated theories, experiments, or instrumentation

From R. Siemann: SLAC-PUB-7394January 1997

## How do we get energy into the beam?

1000 TeV 100 TeV LHC Proton Storage Rings (equivalent energy) 10 TeV Tevatron 1 TeV LEP 200 Proton **Particle Energy** ILC Synchrotrons 100 GeV SLC Electron 10 GeV Synchrotrons Electron Linacs Synchrocyclotrons Betatrons 1 GeV Proton Linacs Sector-Focused Cyclotrons 100 MeV Cyclotrons Electrostatic Generators 10 MeV Rectifier Generators 1 MeV 1970 1930 1950 1990 2010 Year of Commissioning

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## Simple DC (electrostatic) accelerator



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### Crockroft Walton high voltage dc accelerator column













Van de Graaff's generator a Round Hill MA

#### **Suzie Sheehy:** Things not to do with a particle accelerator







*Change the charge of the beam from - to + at the HV electrode* 

### Inside the Tandem van de Graaff at TUNL (Duke University)





## Characteristics of DC accelerators



✤ Voltage limited by electrical breakdown (~10 kV/cm)



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### Why do we need RF structures & fields?

#### **RF voltage generators allow higher energies** in smaller accelerators

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- Beam duration must be a small fraction of an rf-cycle
- ✤ Gap should be a small fraction of an rf-wavelength
- No very high voltage generator
- No exposed HV hazard
- High voltage beam obtained by replicated structure



Phase shift between tubes is 180°

As the ions increase their velocity, drift tubes must get longer

$$L_{drift} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{v}{f_{rf}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\beta c}{f_{rf}} = \frac{1}{2} \beta \lambda_{rf}$$





Alternate drift tubes are not grounded (passive structures) ==> phase shift between tubes is 360°

$$L_{drift} = \beta \lambda_{rf}$$

N.B. The outside surface is at ground potential

### The Alvarez linac: Time varying spatially stationary fields







### Ultra-relativistic particles can "surf" the RF-field traveling at c



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### Linac size is set by E<sub>gap</sub>; why not one gap? Microtron





### **28 MeV Microtron at HEP Laboratory University College London**





### Synchronism in the Microtron

$$\frac{1}{r_{orbit}} = \frac{eB}{pc} = \frac{eB}{mc^2\beta\gamma}$$

$$\tau_{rev} = \frac{2\pi r_{orbit}}{v} = \frac{2\pi r_{orbit}}{\beta c} = \frac{2\pi mc}{e} \frac{\gamma}{B}$$

**Synchronism condition:**  $\Delta \tau_{rev} = N/f_{rf}$ 

$$\Delta \tau = \frac{N}{f_{rf}} = \frac{2\pi mc}{e} \frac{\Delta \gamma}{B} = \frac{\Delta \gamma}{f_{rf}}$$

If N = 1 for the first turn @  $\gamma \sim 1$ 

Or 
$$\Delta \gamma = 1 \implies E_{rf} = mc^2$$

**Possible for electrons but not for ions** 

### But long as $\gamma \approx 1$ , $\tau_{rev} \approx constant!$ Let's curl up the Wiederoe linac





Supply magnetic field to bend beam

$$\tau_{rev} = \frac{1}{f_{rf}} = \frac{2\pi mc}{eZ_{ion}} \frac{\gamma}{B} \approx \frac{2\pi mc}{eZ_{ion}B} = const.$$

## And we have...







Lawrence, E.O. and Sloan, D.: Proc. Nat. Ac. Sc., 17, 64 (1931)

Lawrence, E.O. & Livingstone M.S.: Phys. Rev 37, 1707 (1931).



## E.O. Lawrence & the 25-inch cyclotron





## Orbit stability & weak focusing



- Early cyclotron builders found that the beam kept hitting the upper & lower pole pieces with a uniform field
- McMillan added vertical focusing of circulating
   particles by sloping magnetic fields from inwards to
   outwards rad

At any given moment, the average vertical B field sensed during one particle revolution is larger for smaller radii of curvature than for larger ones

#### This approach works well until we violate the synchronism condition

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and **Synchronism condition:**  $\Delta \tau_{rev} = N/f_{rf}$ 

$$\tau_{rev,o} = \frac{2\pi mc}{e} \frac{\gamma}{B} \approx \frac{2\pi mc}{eB}$$

✤ What do we mean by violate?

> Any generator has a bandwidth  $\Delta f_{\rm rf}$ 

Therefore, synchronism fails when

$$\tau_{rev,n} - \tau_{rev,o} = \frac{2\pi mc}{e} \frac{(\gamma_n - 1)}{B} \approx \Delta f_{rf}$$

#### An obvious invention fixes this problem: Change $f_{rf} ==>$ the synchro-cyclotron



For B = constant, to maintain synchronism

$$f_{\rm rf} \sim 1/\gamma(t)$$

• The energy for an ion of charge Z follows from  $r = \frac{ZeB}{cp}$ 



Ex: Lawrence's 184-in cyclotron R<sub>max</sub> = 2.337 m B = 1.5 T M<sub>yoke</sub>≈ 4300 tons !!

**But** this requires pulsed rather than CW operation (one bunch in the machine at a time)

==> Average current is reduced by the number of turns to full energy ( $\sim$ 1000x) to  $\sim$  0.1  $\mu$ A

### A different way to maintain synchronism: vertical (Thomas) focusing (1938)



- ✤ We need to find a way to increase the vertical focusing
- \* One can obtain  $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{z}}$  with  $\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{r}}$  ,  $\mathbf{B}_{\theta}$
- ✤ ==> find an azimuthal component  $B_{\theta}$  & a radial velocity component  $v_r$
- ✤ ==> a non-circular trajectory



===> Sectors & B increases with radius

### Spiraled cyclotrons for proton therapy



Energy range: ~100 - 230 MeV Current: 5 nA - 500 nA ~ 240 tonnes

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### Can the cyclotron reach ultra-relativistic energies?

 $\begin{array}{c} Remember \\ p \sim B\rho \end{array}$ 

(5 minute exercise)

## Wiederoe's Ray Transformer for electrons



From Wiederoe's notebooks (1923-'28)

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He was dissuaded by his professor from building the ray transformer due to worries about beam-gas scattering



Let that be a lesson to you!

# Transformer basics





# The ray transformer realized as the Betatron (D. Kerst, 1940)



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The beam acts as a 1-turn secondary winding of the transformer Magnetic field energy is transferred directly to the electrons

## Betatron as a tranformer

✤ Ampere's law

$$2\pi RE_{\vartheta} = -\frac{d}{dt}\Phi = -\dot{\Phi}$$

Radial equilibrium requires

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{eB_s}{pc}$$

Newton' s law

$$\dot{p} = eE_{\vartheta} = \frac{e\ \dot{\Phi}}{2\pi R}$$





$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{eB_s}{pc} \Longrightarrow -\frac{1}{R^2} \frac{dR}{dt} = \frac{e}{c} \left( \frac{\dot{B}_s}{p} - \frac{B_s}{p^2} \dot{p} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{p} = \frac{\dot{B}_s}{B_s} p \Rightarrow \frac{e \dot{\Phi}}{2\pi R} = \frac{\dot{B}_s}{B_s} p$$

$$\dot{\Phi} = 2\pi R^2 \dot{B}_s$$

## **Donald Kerst's betatrons**





Kerst originally used the phrase, Induction Accelerator

#### **The Linear Betatron:** Linear Induction Accelerator







N. Christofilos

$$\oint_C \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$$

# Christofilos' contributions to accelerator science



**Strong focusing (1949)** 





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### Christofilos' Astron Induction Linac & Astron CTR (1966)









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### Induction accelerators occupy a special niche, but now on to the mainstream

## The size of monolithic cyclotron magnets was getting beyond the practical



In a classified report Mark Oliphant suggested

- ✤ Change the B field as the particles gained energy to maintain a constant orbit size (= Nλ<sub>rf</sub>)
  - Could synchronism of the particles with the rf be maintained?



Fundamental discovery by Veksler (1944) & MacMillan (1945)

## Phase stability: Will bunch of finite length stay together & be accelerated?





Let's say that the synchronous particle makes the  $i^{th}$  revolution in time:  $T_i$ 

Will particles close to the synchronous particle in phase stay close in phase?

Discovered by MacMillan & by Veksler



# **The GE 70 MeV synchrotron was first to produce observable synchrotron light (1947)**



The first purpose-built synchrotron to operate was built with a glass vacuum chamber



# Charges in circular orbit at constant speed radiate incoherently in a 1/γ cone



 $N_{\gamma} = 2\pi\alpha\gamma N_e$  per revolution

Electric field lines from a charge in circular motion

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Field energy flows to infinity

### By the early 1950's 3 proton synchrotrons ad followed the first electron models



- ✤ 3-BeV "Cosmotron" at the Brookhaven (1952)
  - > 2000 ton magnet in four quadrants
  - ➤ 1 second acceleration time
  - Shielding recognized as major operational issue
- ✤ 1-BeV machine at Un. of Birmingham (UK) in 1953

Laminated magnets, no field free straight sections

- 6 BeV "Bevatron" University of California Radiation Laboratory (1954)
  - Vacuum chamber ~ 3 feet high
- ♦ Weak focusing precluded such a design at  $\geq 10$  GeV

### Another great invention was needed

## The BNL Cosmotron w. 4-sector magnets





### The vacuum chamber of the 6 GeV Bevatron could fit whole physicists



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## Strong focusing allowed shrinking the vacuum chamber to reasonable sizes

- Patented but not published by Christofilos (1949);
- Independently discovered and applied to AGS design by Courant, Livingston, and Snyder

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Small chambers meant much better vacuum making practical a **third great invention** 

#### ADA - The first storage ring collider (e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>) by B. Touschek at Frascati (1960)





The storage ring collider idea was invented by R. Wiederoe in 1943

- Collaboration with B. Touschek

– Patent disclosure 1949



# **G.** O' Neill is often given credit for inventing the collider based on his 1956 paper





#### Princeton-Stanford colliding beam storage rings - 1960

Panofsky, Richter, & O'Neill

### The next big step was the ISR at CERN

- ✤ 30 GeV per beam with > 60 A circulating current
  - ➢ Required extraordinary vacuum (10<sup>-11</sup> Torr)
  - Great beam dynamics challenge more stable than the solar system
- ✤ Then on to the 200 GeV collider at Fermilab (1972) and ...
- The SppS at CERN
  - Nobel invention:Stochastic cooling
- And finally the Tevatron
   Also requires a major technological advance

First machine to exploit superconducting magnet technology



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## The 70's brought another great invention

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The Free Electron Laser (John Madey, Stanford, 1976)

Physics basis: Bunched electrons radiate coherently





### Which brings us to the present...





### Maybe not... Optical Particle Accelerator

Standard regime (LWFA): pulse duration matches plasma period

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- Accelerating field ~ Sqrt(plasma density)
- Phase velocity < c : particle and wave de-phase</li>
- Energy gain  $\Delta W = eE_zL_{acc}$

### RF-cavities in metal and in plasma Think back to the string of pillboxes



1 m RF cavity Courtesy of W. Mori & L. da Silva



 $G \sim 30 MeV/m$ 

 $G \sim 30 \ GeV/m$ 





# There are many possible special topics after we cover the basics

What interests you?