

AN 8 GEV H- MULTI-TURN INJECTION SYSTEM FOR THE FERMILAB MAIN INJECTOR*

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Abstract

An 8 GeV superconducting linear accelerator (SCL) has been proposed [1] as a single stage H⁻ injector into the Main Injector (MI) synchrotron. This would be the highest energy H⁻ multi-turn injection system in the world. The conceptual design of an injection system has been further refined by addressing transverse phase space painting issues, chicane dipole fields and foil location, foil temperature issues, and initial longitudinal phase space painting simulations. We present the current state of design.

ACCEPTANCE AND BEAM LOSS

During the design of the MI, the dynamic aperture was estimated to be 127π -mm-mr [2] based upon tracking and defined as the smallest amplitude particle at a beta of 70m that did not survive 35000 turns at 8.9 GeV/c, the expected injection dwell time. For H⁻ painting, the expected dwell time is a factor of 10 to 100 smaller with the actual injection being no longer than 3 ms (270 turns), thus reducing sensitivities to magnet nonlinearities.

The MI utilizes an elliptical beam pipe (61mm x 26.5mm ID) throughout the 3.3 km with the exception of the RF and extraction regions. The limiting aperture is at the extraction Lamberts where an acceptance of 80π -mm-mr will be assumed. [3]

The current operational criteria for losses in the MI during NuMI operations is 1 to 1.5 kJoule beam energy/cycle. Most loss is at injection energy and during the parabola. For an expected intensity of $1E14$ /sec and assuming no loss after 10 GeV/c, then 1.5 kJ at a 1.5 sec cycle time corresponds to $7.7E11$ lost protons/sec or about 985 watts. A collimation system is being installed in the MI with a calculated efficiency of 99.8% capable of handling 1.6 kW. [4]

INJECTION OPTICS AND LAYOUT

The MI-10 straight section design has been modified to a symmetric straight section with 38 meters of free space between the quad doublets [5]. The entire injection system (injection chicane, injection foil, and horizontal painting magnets) is contained within the straight. The injection chicane consists of four DC magnets which create an orbit offset from the straight section centerline. The magnitude of this orbit offset is constrained by the peak field in the second and third chicane magnets and physical constraints on the transport line and injection absorber.[6]

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The injected H⁻ first sees the dipole field of the second chicane magnet, the final bend for the H⁻ prior to the stripping foil. It's field is ~ 500 G, with a stripping rate of $2.2E-10$ /m, to prohibit any magnetic stripping.

The optimization of the field at the foil location, the peak dipole field and end field of the third chicane is in progress and has not been completed.

Location of the foil in the end field of the third chicane magnet at a magnitude of ~ 600 G will minimize any Lorentz stripping of the H⁻ prior to the foil. The rising end field shape, dBy/dz , will determine the differential integrated field the excited states experience prior to decay compared to the integrated field the protons experience after the stripping foil. A flux catcher/ end field clamp is planned to rapidly terminate the field to reduce the end field.

The dipole field of the third chicane magnet should be either between the $n=4$ and $n=3$ states or between the $n=3$ and $n=2$ states to inhibit stripping of the lower excited state. The current choice places the dipole field at about 5.5 kG which is between the $n=2$ and $n=3$ Stark states such that the $n=1$ and $n=2$ states are transported to the secondary foil for stripping and the resultant protons are transported to the injection absorber.

Foil Stripping

The current design utilizes a $425 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ carbon foil which will produce the charge states shown in Table 1. The capture efficiency for H⁺ is 97.76% with 2.24% in the form of H⁰ ($n=1,2$) being transported to the injection absorber. Increasing the foil thickness to $500 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ increases capture efficiency and reduces the fraction of $n=3$ and higher states and potential losses.

Table 1

Charge state	425 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$	500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$
H ⁺	97.6	99.0
n=1	1.8	0.735
n=2	.45	0.245
n=3	.15	.0068
H ⁰	.0022	.000028
Total H ⁺ captured	97.76	99.02

Stripped electrons

Stripped electrons will have the same velocity as H⁻ and as they travel toward the chicane magnet #3 they will bend opposite direction of the protons. For chicane of 0.55 T and foils location of 0.06 T, these electrons will have bending radius of about 5.5 cm and return back

about 11 cm from the foil location in the horizontal plane where they can be collected by an electron catcher.

TRANSVERSE PHASE SPACE PAINTING

Transverse phase space painting will utilize a horizontal painting and vertical injection angle to produce a uniform phase space distribution [7]. A transverse (and longitudinal) phase space distribution at the foil has been produced from TRACK [8] by accelerating 45 mA in the linac, transporting through the beam transport line (including a debuncher) to the stripping foil. The final optics of the transport line was tuned to produce a spot size on the target of approximately 4 mm (3σ) in each dimension[9]. The program STRUCT [10] used this phase space as an input to simulate the painting process in the absence of any space charge using the following horizontal and vertical waveforms.

$$B = B_0 \left[\frac{R}{T} - \frac{P}{T} \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{2n}{N} - \left(\frac{n}{N}\right)^2} \right) \right] \text{ For } n < N \quad (1)$$

$$y' = (\sigma_{44}^{cir} - \sigma_{44}^{inj}) \sqrt{\frac{2N-n}{N} - \left(\frac{N-n}{N}\right)^2} \quad (2)$$

where B_0 is maximum kicker field, P is the painting displacement, R is the removal displacement, $T = R+P$, N is the total number of painting turns, and n is the injection turn number. In addition magnet nonlinearities have yet to be included in the simulation. Both of these effects will tend to increase the final painted emittance.

Based upon the current NuMI upgrade path emittance assumptions the simulation paints to 25π with the potential of painting to larger emittance staying within the machine acceptance and reducing the number of hits on the foil by circulating beam.

The final distribution after 270 turn 3 ms. injection is shown in Figure 1. This distribution corresponds to $\pm 3\sigma$ of a 25π -mm-mr normalized emittance at a horizontal β of 70 m and vertical β of 30 m.

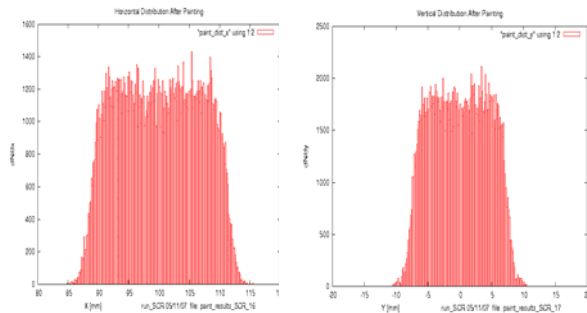


Figure 1. Resultant distribution

INJECTION FOIL ISSUES

Foil Heating

A simplified model [11] was used to determine the maximum foil temperature for various injection times and input beam sigma's on the foil. A total of $1.54E15$ H-particles were assumed each injection. Two injection periods were addressed, 1.5 sec and 10 Hz. Figure 2 shows seven injection pulses for the case of 3ms injection (270 turns) at a rep rate of 1.5 sec and 9 secondary hits/particle. The three curves represent three different incoming beam sigma's, 1mm (black), 1.5 mm (red), and 2 mm (blue). Here, the rep rate is slow enough that the peak temperature decays back to ambient between pulses.

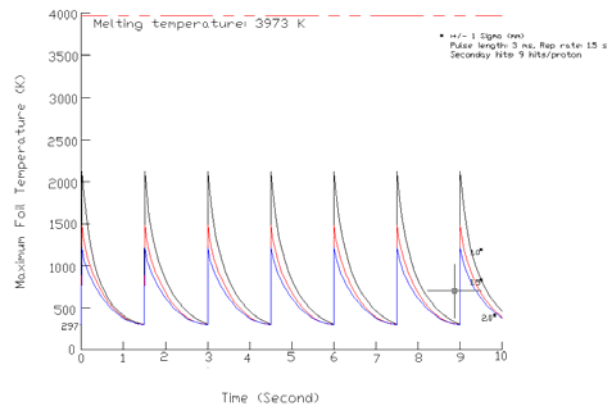


Figure 2. Peak foil temperature.

Figure 3 shows two temperature distributions for the case of a 1 mm sigma for the incoming H-. The plot on the left only includes the contribution from the first turn H- (proton+two electrons) with a peak of 1881 °K, while the picture on the right shows the contribution of the circulating beam with 9 hits/proton with a peak of 2115 °K. The foil support is not shown and to the right (+x).

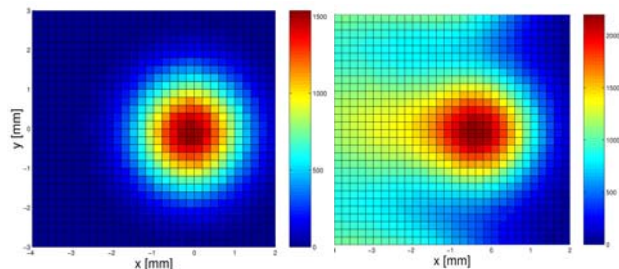


Figure 3. Foil temperature distribution for

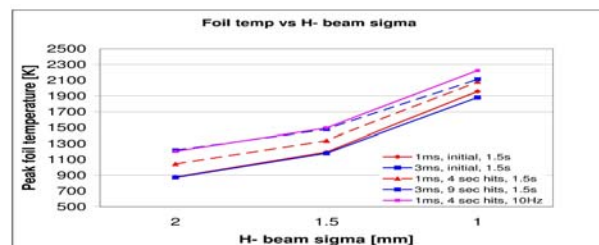


Figure 4. Summary of peak foil temperature

Figure 4 shows a summary of the peak temperatures for the five different cases as a function of input beam sigma. The impact of input beam size and secondary hits can clearly be seen. Based upon these calculations an input H-sigma in the range of 1.2 to 1.5 mm has been selected to keep a working temperature in the 1700 to 1800 °K range.

LONGITUDINAL PHASE SPACE PAINTING

The MI Rf frequency at injection is 52,811,400 Hz and has a harmonic number of 588. A beam gap of roughly 42 buckets (800 ns) is required for the abort kicker rise time implies a MI bunch intensity of 2.82E11 in 546 bunches. The linac bunching frequency is 325 Mhz. A 325 Mhz fast chopper [Ref] after the 2.5 MeV RFQ will generate the required bunch structure for MI injection and abort gap preservation. The ratio of the Linac and MI RF is ~6.154. Two of the six bunches are chopped in order to place the linac microbunches within +/- 6 ns of the center of the MI bucket. The non-integer ratio also has the added advantage of parasitic longitudinal painting.

Initial ESME [12] simulations have investigated the utilization of a single and dual harmonic MI RF system. Simulations [13] using the single harmonic showed a peaked distribution. The second harmonic content of the dual harmonic system (400 kV on 53 Mhz and 200kV on 106 Mhz system) was tuned to produce a more uniform Her

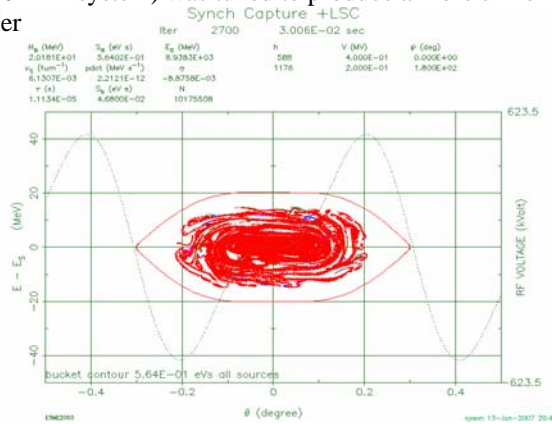


Figure 5: Longitudinal phase space after 270 turn microbunch injection and

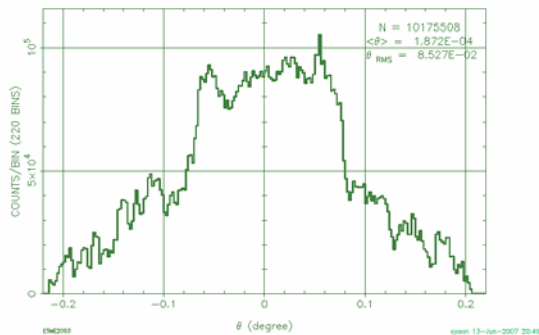


Figure 6: Longitudinal bunch density with dual harmonic RF system

distribution after injection as shown in Figures 5 and 6. The final bunch length is +/- 0.2 degrees (12 ns) with an energy spread of +/-10 MeV.

The current simulation includes longitudinal space charge and longitudinal impedance. Future simulations will include broadband impedance of the MI.

SUMMARY

We present the current state of the injection design for 8 GeV H- into the Main Injector. Further optimizations will include chicane magnet design, estimation of activation in the injection region, and simulations that will include space charge and magnetic harmonics of the dipoles and quads

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