8 lectures on accelerator physics

- Lectures can be found at
 - http://www.hep.lu.se/staff/christiansen/teaching/
- Lecture 1 and 2: Introduction
 - Why do we accelerate?
 - What are the important parameters for characterizing accelerators
- Lecture 3 and 4: Examples
 - Examples of accelerators
- Lecture 5 and 6: Advanced topics
 - Transverse motion, strong focusing, and LHC
- Lecture 7 and 8: Projects + presentations
 - Small group projects on free project

Project

- Idea: follow your own interest
 - 4 first lectures are designed to give you foundation to dig deeper
 - 4-5 groups and 8-10 minutes presentation
 - 1 lecture to prepare & 1 lecture to present
- Examples from autumn 2011 and spring 2012:
 - Opera neutrino results
 - Plasma wakefield acceleration
 - Cyclotrons
 - LHC overview & problems with superconducting magnets at LHC
 - History of accelerators
 - Medical isotope production
 - Hazards in accelerators

Plan

- This week
 - Thursday 8-10: lecture 1 and 2
 - Friday 10-12: lecture 3 and 4
- Next week
 - Monday 8-10: lecture 5 + group work on project
 - Tuesday 10-12: presentation + lecture 6
- If time: polarized protons at RHIC

Inspiration and slides

- "A BRIEF HISTORY AND REVIEW OF ACCELERATORS", P.J. Bryant
- "Accelerator Physics", S.Y.Lee, 2nd edition.
- Reviews of Accelerator Science and Technology Volume 1
- Lectures by Anders Oskarsson
- Lectures by Eric Torrence (University of Oregon)
- LHC lectures by Danillo Vranic







Think break

- Lecture 1 and 2: Introduction
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Why do we accelerate?

To probe the structure of e.g. protons

- The wavelength $\lambda \sim hbar/E$
 - Need big E to see small structures!
- Example: deep inelastic scattering



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To create new particles

- Convert kinetic energy into mass (E=mc²)
- Example:



In particle physics we study the particles 15 thousand million years The Big Bang



What are the main characteristics of an accelerator

- Energy and Luminosity!
 - The rest of these 2 lectures will be about that!

What is the relevant energy?

- We need to calculate the CM energy
- Two interesting limits
 - Fixed target (1 beam + stationary target)
 - Collider (beam-beam collisions)
- Make calculation!

Units of energy

A charged particle with charge +e gains an energy of 1eV (electronVolt) when passing a voltage gap of 1Volt

1eV is 1.6*10⁻¹⁹ Joule



The "LHC" in 1m? $(\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV})$

How to accelerate will be covered in lectures 3 and 4!





0 Volt 3,500,000,000,000 Volt

Example fixed target at CERN SPS



Pb at 160 A GeV

Reconstructed event

High p in lab system Focused forward in space Very long exp. setup



The ALICE experiment at LHC











What limits the energy in a collider?

• Why can't the LHC run at, e.g., $\sqrt{s}=20$ TeV?

The magnetic field! $p[\text{GeV}] = 0.3B[\text{T}]\rho[\text{m}]$



BENDING

$B \cdot \rho = p/e$ $B \cdot \rho [Tm] = 0.299792458 \cdot p [GeV/c]$

For a given radius maximum energy for proton synchrotron is limited by the maximal magnetic field.

For LHC B_{max} =8.33T and bending radius 2803m we have

$$p = \frac{8.33 \cdot 2803}{0.3} = 7000 \, GeV \, / \, c$$

But LHC ring circumference is 26658.8832m and $R_{ave} = \frac{26658.8832}{2\pi} = 4242.9m$

We need room for focusing (SSS = short straight sections) and insertions.

Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



 \sqrt{s} = 7TeV (14TeV, 2014) (vs 0.2 TeV LEP) (vs 1.8 TeV Tevatron) Collides hadrons (protons and ions) instead of electrons.



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Why protons? Synchrotron Radiation

Linear Acceleration $P_s = \frac{e^2 c}{6\pi\epsilon_0 (m_0 c^2)^2} \left(\frac{dE}{dx}\right)$

10 MV/m -> 4 10⁻¹⁷ Watts Circular Acceleration



$$P_s = \frac{e^2 c}{6\pi\epsilon_0 (m_0 c^2)^2} \frac{E^4}{R^2}$$

Radius must grow quadratically with beam energy!

LEP Accelerator (CERN 1990-2000)

- 27 km circumference
- 4 detectors
- e⁺e⁻ collisions
 - LEPI: 91 GeV
 - 125 MeV/turn
 - 120 Cu RF cavities
 - ◆ LEPII: < 208 GeV
 - <u>~3 GeV/turn</u>
 - 288 SC RF cavities

Protons vs. Electrons $P_s \propto \frac{E^4}{m_0^2 R^2}$

Can win by accelerating protons
 $\left(\frac{m_p}{m_e}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{938 \text{MeV}}{0.511 \text{MeV}}\right)^2 = 3.4 \times 10^6$ But protons aren't fundamental



Only small fraction at highest energy Don't know energy (or type) of colliding particles

LHC (and proton colliders in general) are discovery machines!

• We sacrifice the precise knowledge of the initial collision to reach unprecedented energies



Collisions at LHC

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e⁺e⁻ machines typically match hadron machines with x10 nominal energy

NB! Not CM energy for hadrons but some fraction (parton)



However – synchrotron light can itself be used for good physics

MAX-lab Accelerators



The accelerators at MAX-lab consist of three electron storage rings (MAX I, MAX II and MAX III) and one electron pre-accelerator (MAX injector). All three storage rings produce synchrotron light used for experiments and measurements in a wide range of disciplines and technologies. The MAX I ring is also used as an electrons source for experiments in nuclear physics.

And maybe even good for your careers!

The MAX IV Laboratory - our future light source





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Luminosity

Cross-section

Area of target Hard Sphere - $\sigma = \pi r^2$ Measured in barns = 10^{-28} m² = 100 fm² $10 \text{ mbarn} = 1 \text{ fm}^2 \text{-} \sim \text{size of proton}$ Cross-section depends upon process

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-$ about 16 pb (others fb or less)

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ technically infinite (E field)



Luminosity

 Intensity or brightness of an accelerator
 N = L · σ

 Events Seen = Luminosity * cross-section
 Rare processes (fb) need lots of luminosity (fb⁻¹)

 In a storage ring

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{f_u \cdot N_1 \cdot N_2}{\sigma_x \cdot \sigma_y} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Current} \\ \text{Spot size} \end{array}$$

More particles through a smaller area means more collisions

Collision rate

Collision rate is defined to be the number of 'events' per second, i.e. the number of collisions happening in the center of one of the experiments (depends on the cross section)

The collision rate can be increased if:

- There is more beam/bunch in the two rings $(N_{\rm B},N_{\rm Y})$
- o There are more bunches colliding (k_{b})
- The beam profiles, the size of the beam, at the interaction point, is small $(\sigma_x, \sigma_y) \rightarrow \beta^*$

$$L = \frac{N_B N_Y}{4\pi \sigma_x \sigma_y} k_b f_{rev} \quad (\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1})$$

 $R=L \cdot \sigma$

 σ is the cross-section *R* is the number of events per Second (corresponding to σ)

Higgs discovery at CERN Status end of 2011



- What is the total # of produced Higgs's in the ATLAS experiment if $m_{\rm H}$ =130GeV?
- Answer: ~5fb⁻¹*10,000fb ~ 50,000!

Note that this corresponds to

- roughly
 - ~5,000,000,000,000mb⁻¹*~70 mb ~
 350,000,000,000,000 inelastic pp collisions in 2011!

Higgs mass window End of 2011



- Why is the limit not better at low mH where the cross section is larger?
- Answer: m_{μ} too low for direct decay to 2W or 2Z 15/11-2012 Cleanest signate respirations 1 and 2 P. Christiansen (Lund)

Why LHC is running at 8 TeV in 2012 (1/3)



Why LHC is running at 8 TeV in 2012 (2/3) – Luminosity

Running in 2012 @ 4 TeV/beam R. Alemany, Evian 2011.

What do we gain in terms of luminosity?



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Why LHC is running at 8 TeV in 2012 (3/3) – Cross section

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Best Higgs signature: $H \rightarrow 2\gamma$ 2011 pre-discovery

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Best Higgs signature: $H \rightarrow 2\gamma$ 2012 discovery

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Summary Main ingredients in LHC success

- Energy → 10 times higher cross section than Tevatron and integrated luminosity already ½ at end of 2011!
- For 2012 the goal is 25 fb⁻¹ = 2.5 * integrated Tevatron! 15/11-2012 Accelerator lectures 1 and 2 P. Christiansen (Lund)