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Run 370, 26 GeV/c, 20 bunches, 9.10.73

Phase displacement acceleration

Conclusions

- (a) When stacked properly in the resonance-free region (between -5 and +25 mm) at least 4 A can be accelerated to 31 GeV/c without any difficulty.
- (b) The working lines, in the presence of the stack, are precisely what they are supposed to be.
- (c) The present system used for acceleration whereby the whole process is controlled from the Argus computer can be handed over to the Operations group after the January shut-down.

Details

(a) The working line

The working line is shown in fig. 1. The resonance-free region is -5 < x < 28 mm allowing the centring of the stack around x = 12 mm corresponding to a beam momentum of 31.6 GeV/c at maximum field.

The space charge induced Q-shift resulting from a beam current of 10 A will reduce the resonance-free region to about 0 < $x \le 25$ mm.

The working lines were measured with the Q diagram meter in the presence of the stack at 26.57, 28.511, 29.96 and 31.4 GeV/c and found to be correct. The observed Q shift corresponds approximately to the current in the stack.

(b) The phase displacement

Two stacks were made:

Stack 1: 7.069 A with $0 < x \le 20$

From this stack 4.037 A (this figure assumes that all the current lost during the Q measurements could have been accelerated to 31 GeV/c) was accelerated to 31 GeV/c.

Stack 2: 8.79 A with $-8 < x \le 20$ thus with a tail across the 5th order resonances.

From this stack 4.02 A was left over after phase displacement to $31.4~{\rm GeV/c}$.

The current losses as function of momentum are given in Fig. 2 for these two stacks, and for a few typical examples measured during physics fills.

From Fig. 2 it is obvious that the heaviest current loss always occurs at the beginning of the process. Slight movements of the stack across the 5th order resonances seem to stimulate a mechanism that results in a higher loss rate at all momenta. All the measurements given in Fig. 2 are done with phase displacement under computer control and it is very difficult to understand why with this computer-controlled process currents above the 5 A level can never be achieved, since they have been achieved before with the manual displacement.

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