Horizontal beam response for the design of an RF signal for the slow extraction at HIT's synchrotron

GSI Accelerator Seminar

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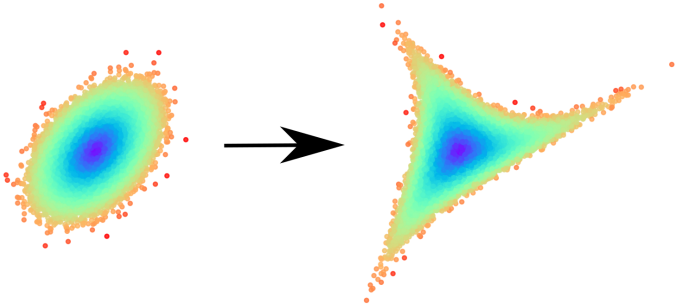

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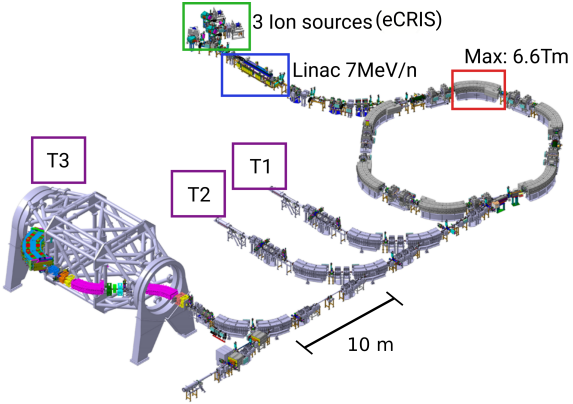

Parameter	Value
Ion species	p^{+}, He^{2+}, C^{6+}, O^{8+}
Depth range	2 - 30 cm
Beam size	3.4 - 32.4 mm
Max. dose	2 Gy min^{-1} l^{-1}
Irradiation field	20×20 cm^2
Intensity	10^6-10^9 part./s

Table: Beam characteristics at the HIT facility.

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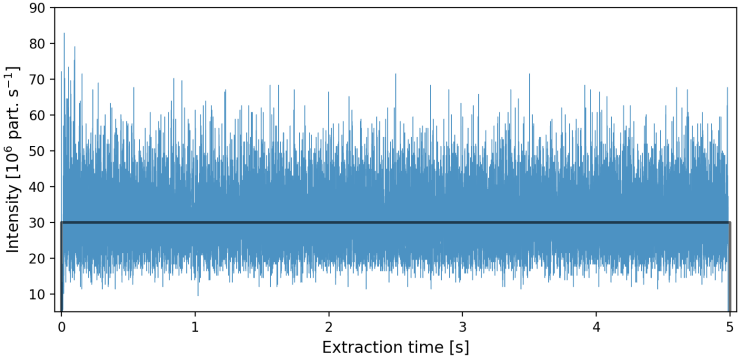

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C^{6+} Beam

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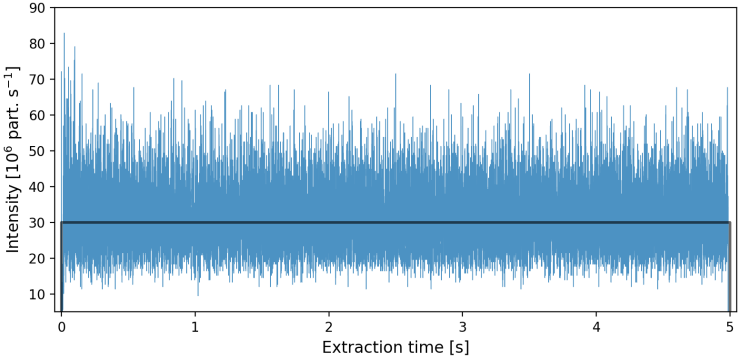

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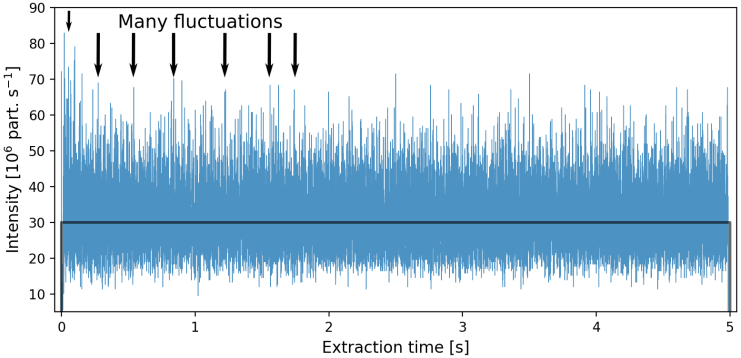

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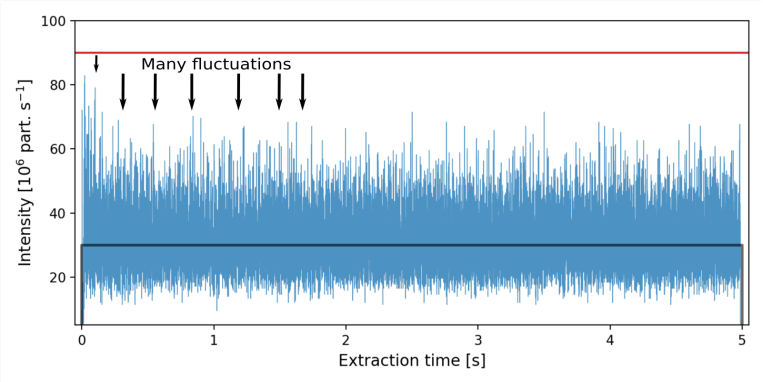

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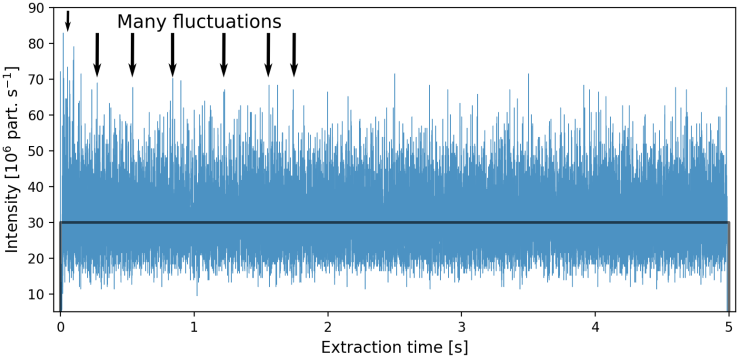
- Can we suppress the fluctuations?
- Can we improve the spill quality?

Motivation

- Faster dose delivery



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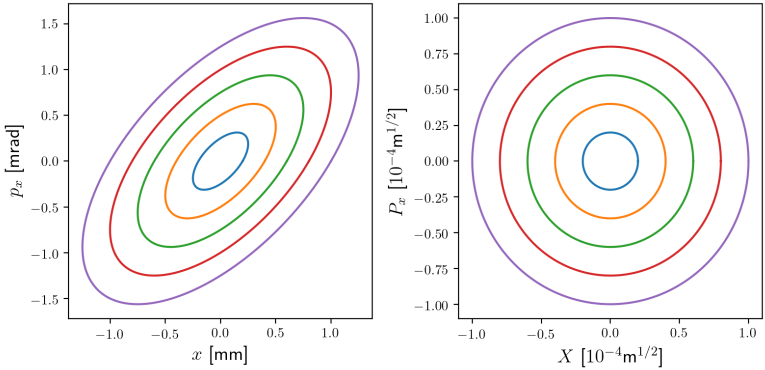

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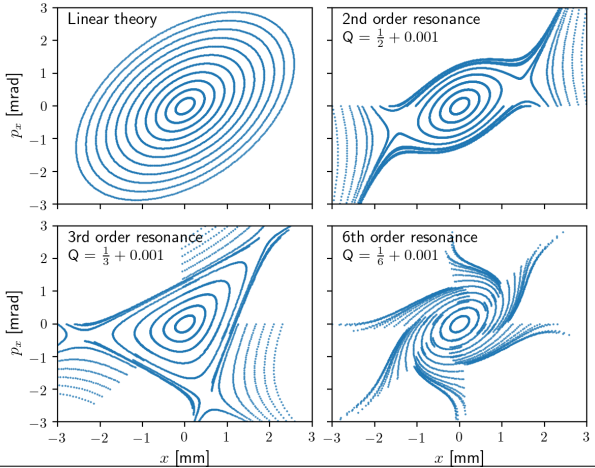

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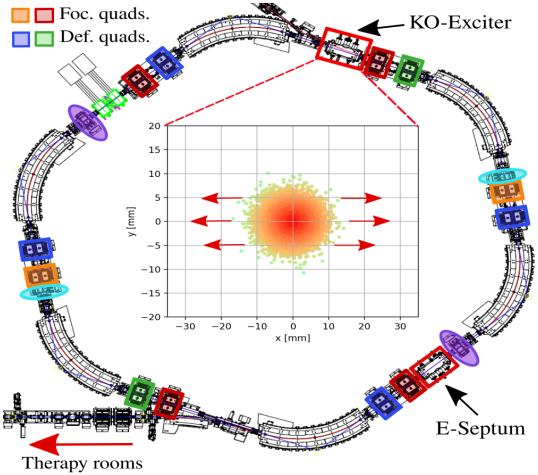

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$$f_\beta = (n \pm q) \cdot f_{\text{rev}}$$

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- Chromatic tune spread

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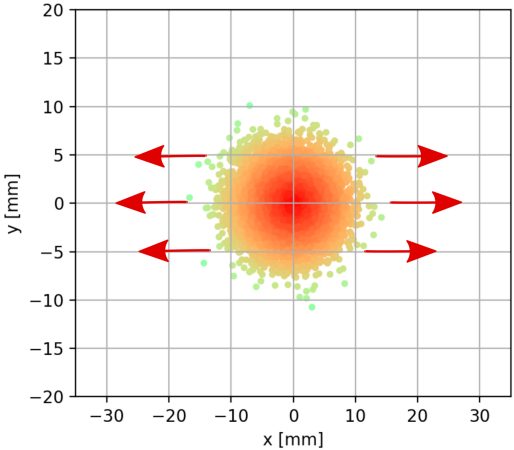

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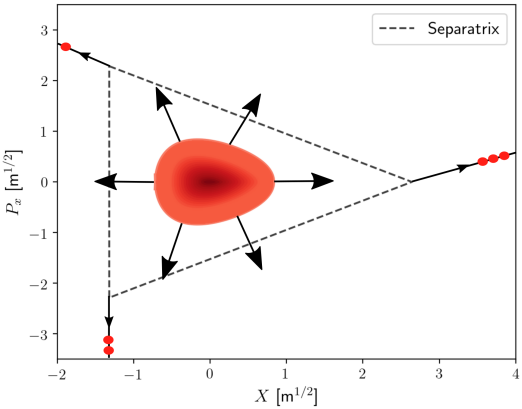

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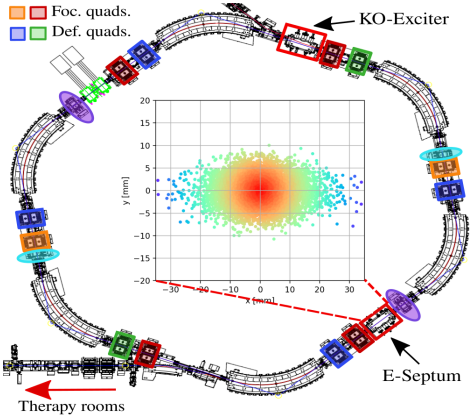

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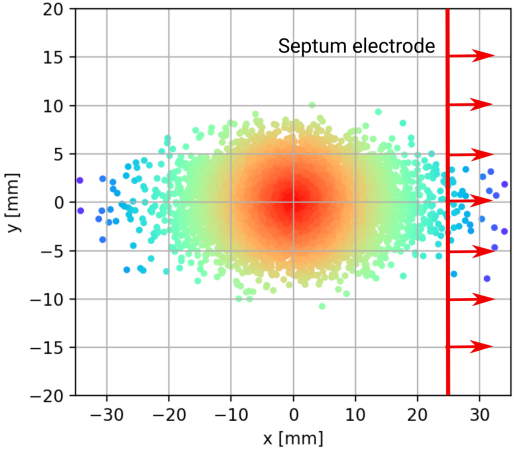

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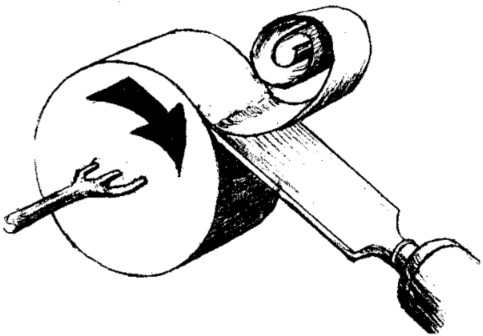

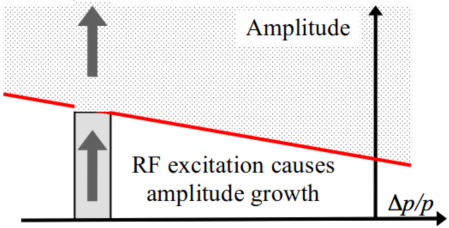

Figure: Picture taken from P. J. Bryant at CERN School 2017.

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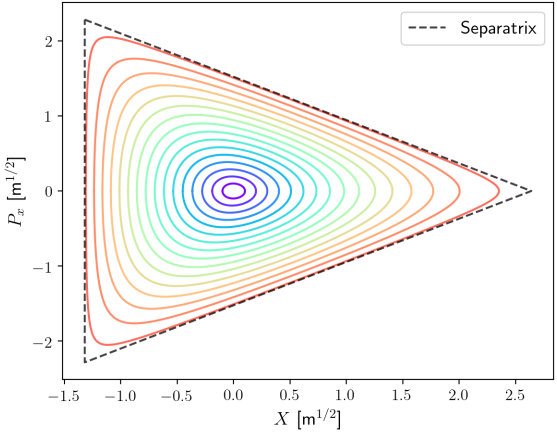

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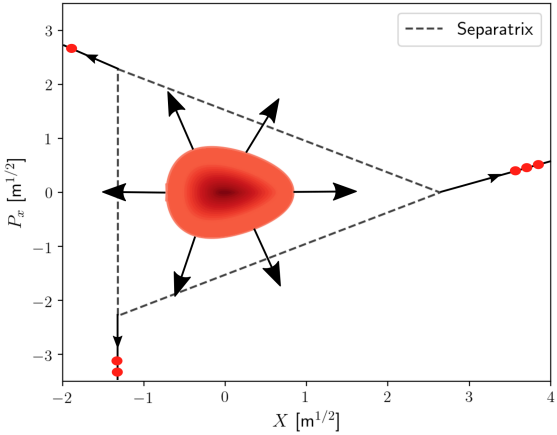

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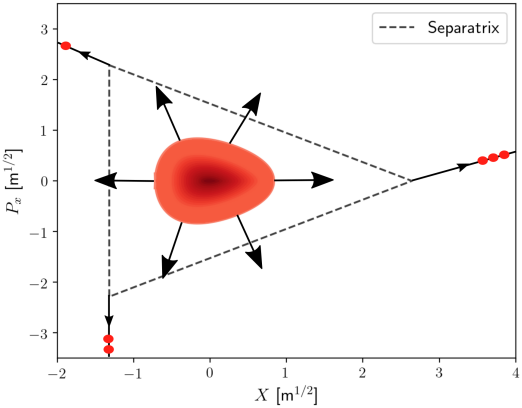

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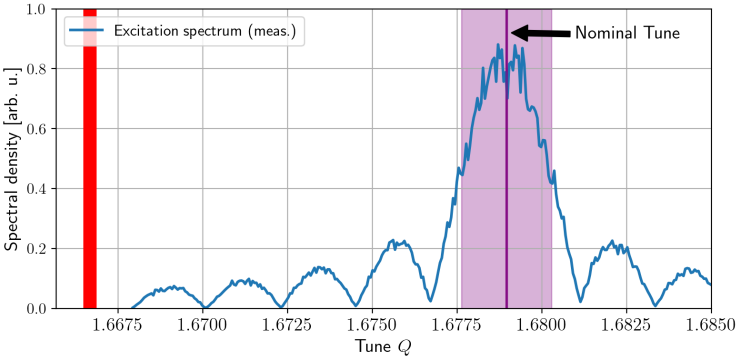

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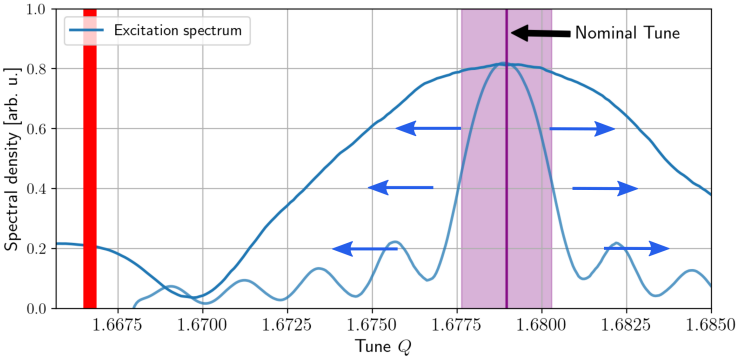

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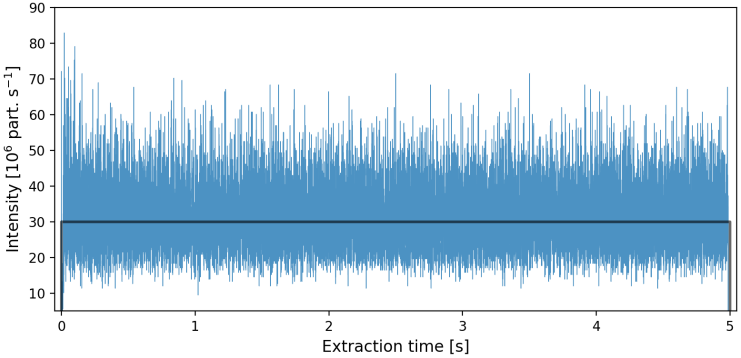

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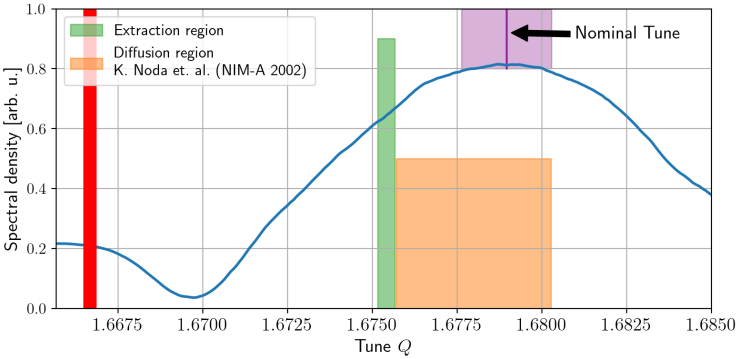

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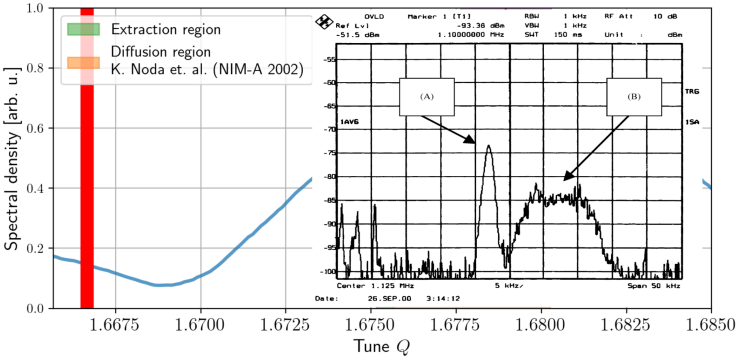

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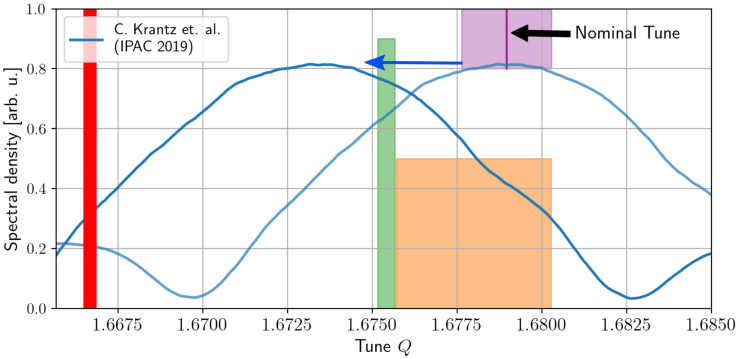

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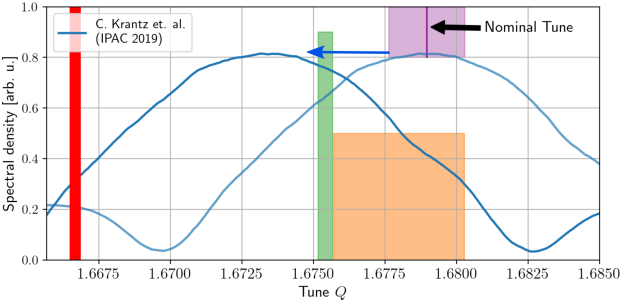

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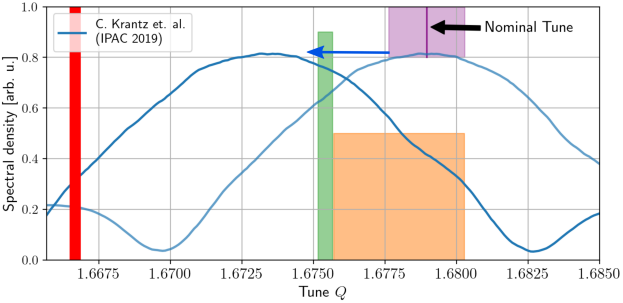
- Can we calculate the tune distribution? -> Yes!



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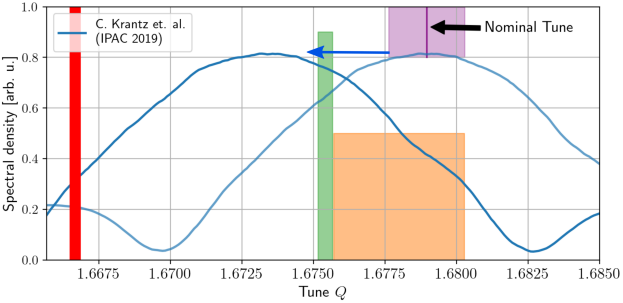

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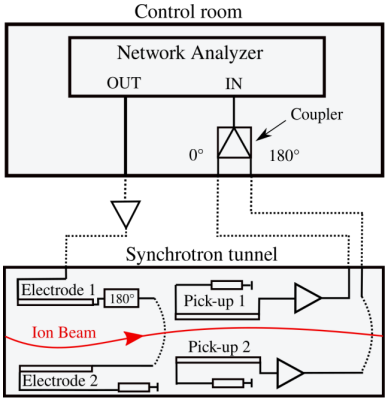

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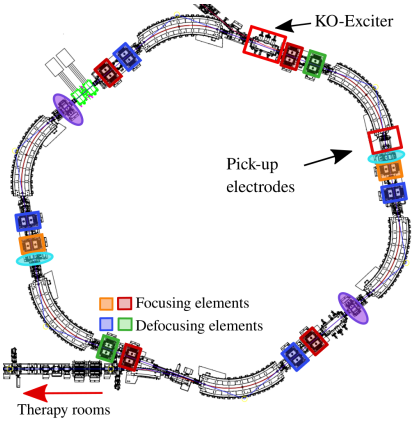

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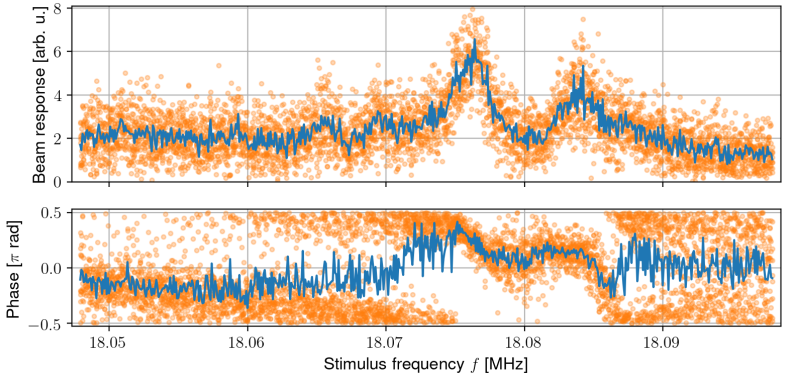

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Extraction conditions

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Figure: BTF at extraction conditions at the lower 9th betatron band.
Orange: Raw data. Blue: Mean value.

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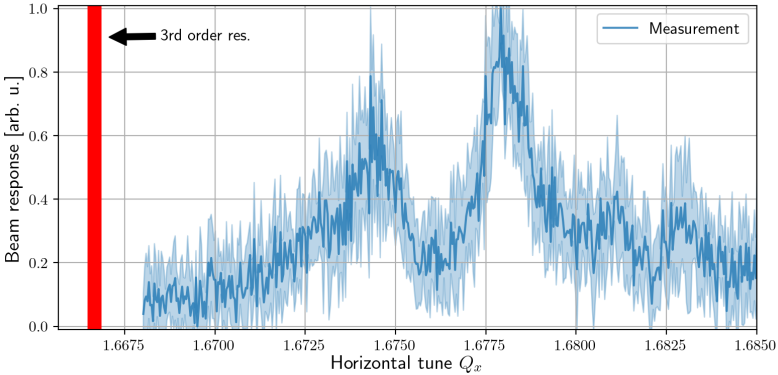

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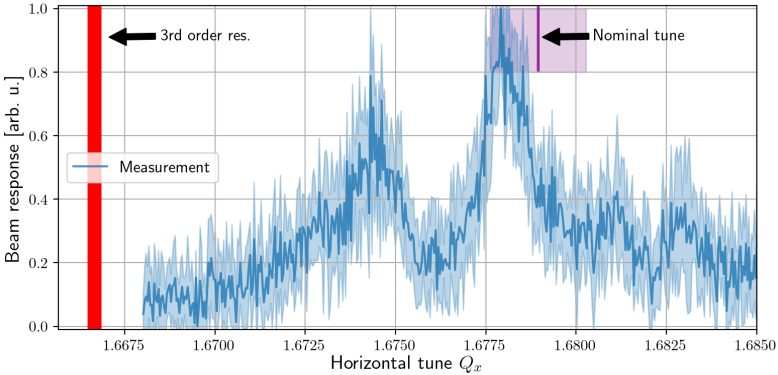

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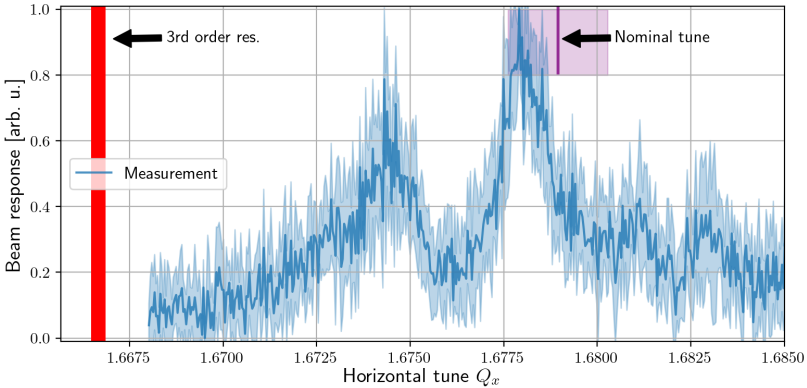

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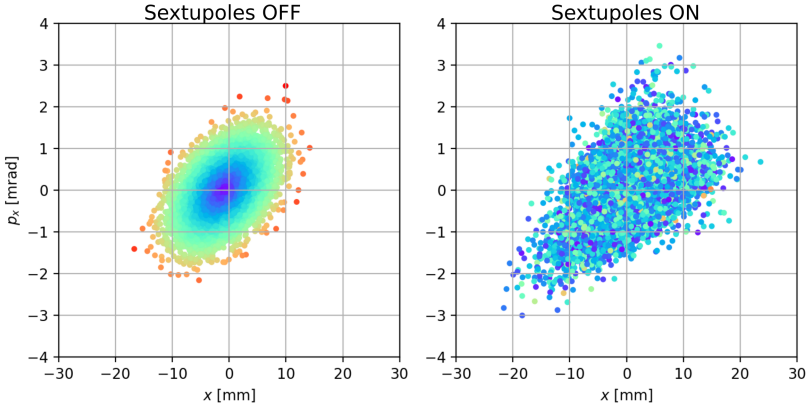

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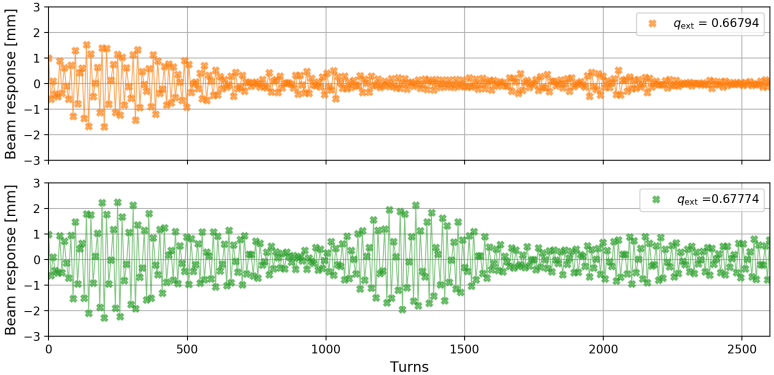

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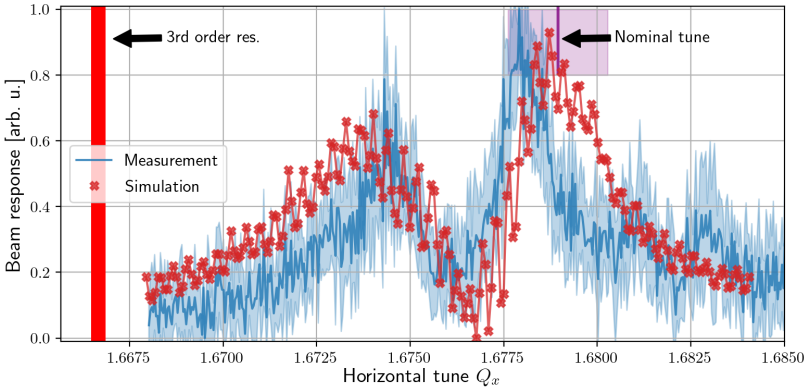

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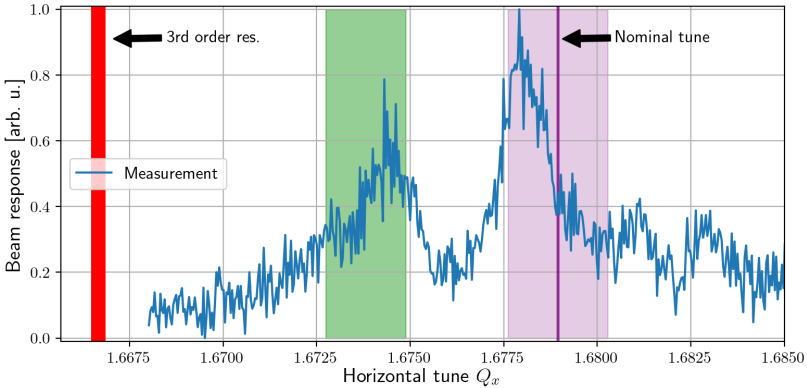

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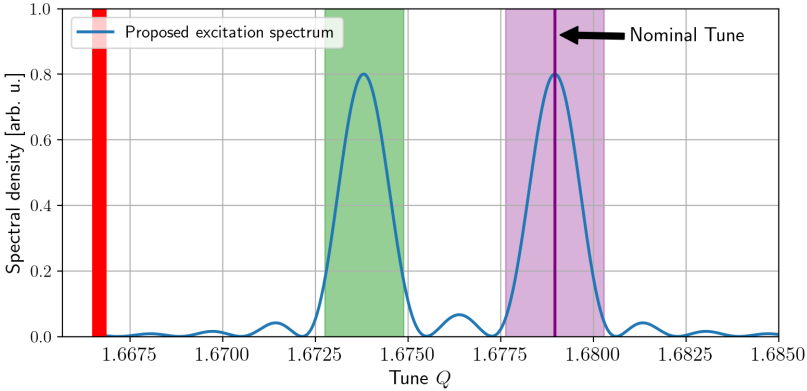

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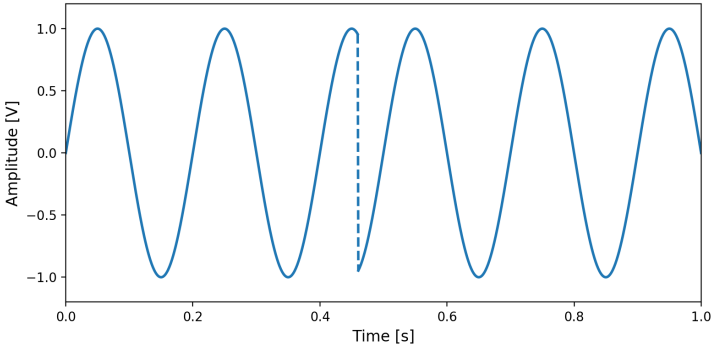

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Pseudo-Random BPSK

$$V(t) = V_0 \sin\left(2\pi f_0 + \phi_{\text{BPSK}}\right)$$

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- ϕ_{BPSK} : Binary **Phase** Shift Keying

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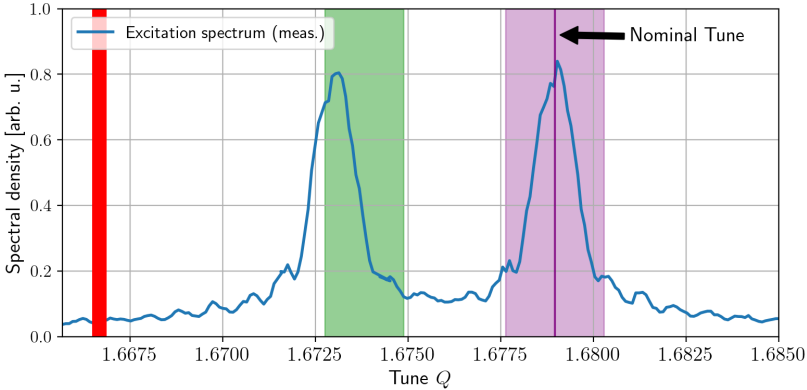

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- Narrow bands (less than 5kHz)
- Central frequencies are $\sim$ 10kHz appart of each other

Spill with new excitation spectrum

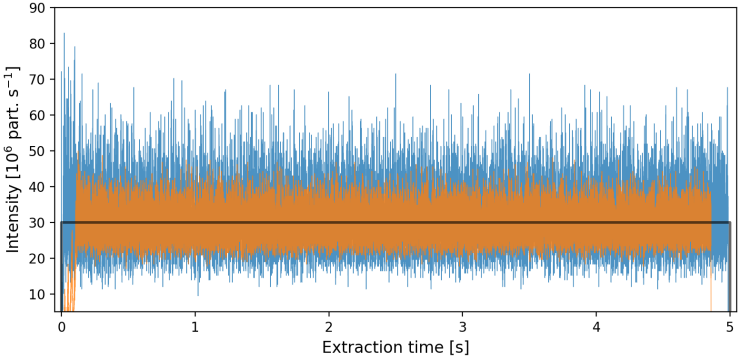

Figure: Spill with new excitation spectrum.

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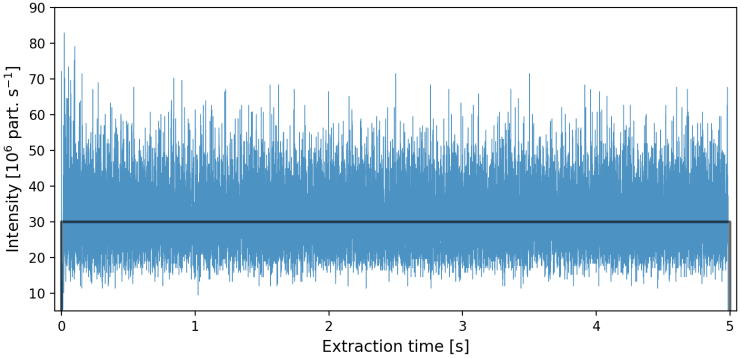

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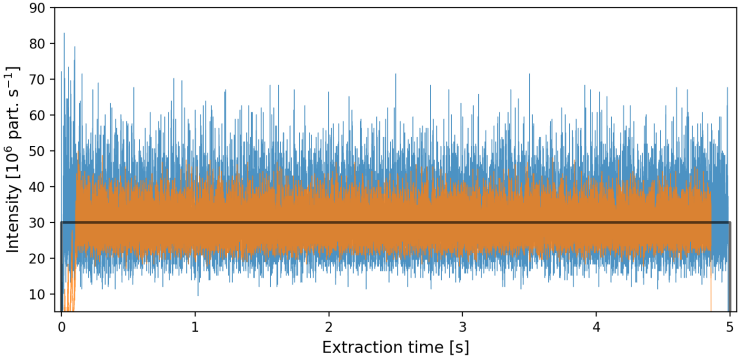


Figure: Spill with new excitation spectrum.

Spill quality

$$R = \frac{\text{Mean}^2}{\text{Mean}^2 + \sigma^2}$$

$$R = 98.1\%$$

Comparison of spill quality

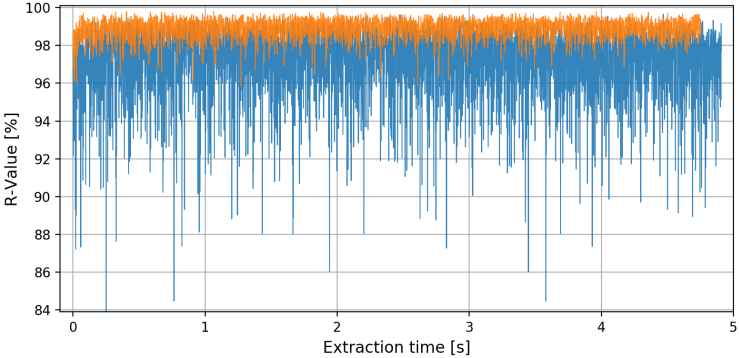


Figure: Spill quality through extraction in 1ms windows.

Spill quality

$$R = \frac{\text{Mean}^2}{\text{Mean}^2 + \sigma^2}$$

Comparison of spill quality

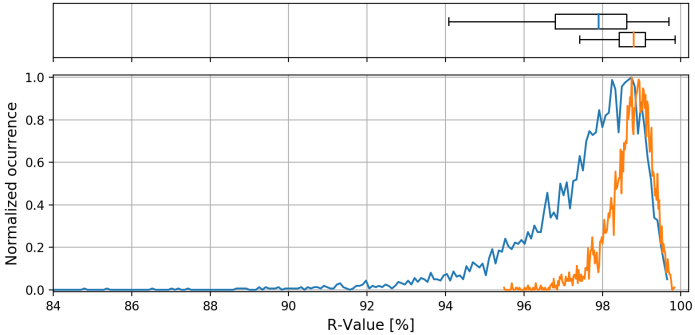
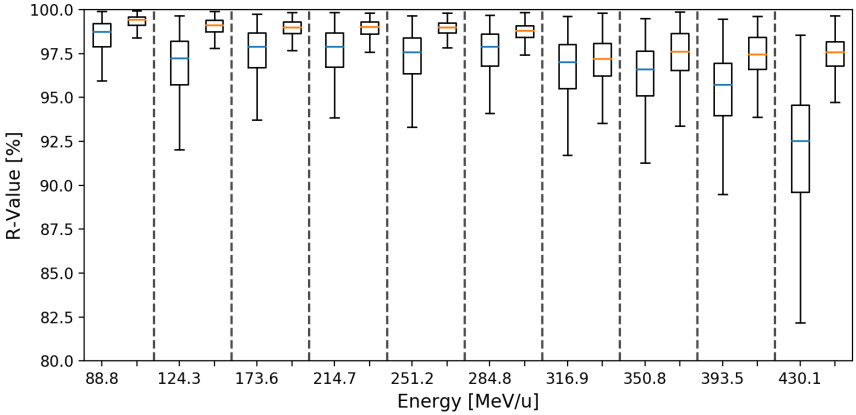


Figure: Histogram of R-Value over 5 s extraction.

Spill quality

$$R = \frac{\text{Mean}^2}{\text{Mean}^2 + \sigma^2}$$

Improvement of spill quality: Carbon-ion



Spill quality

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Spill with new excitation spectrum: Protons

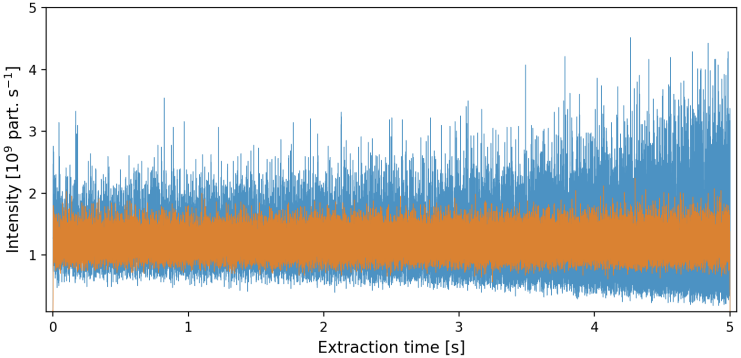
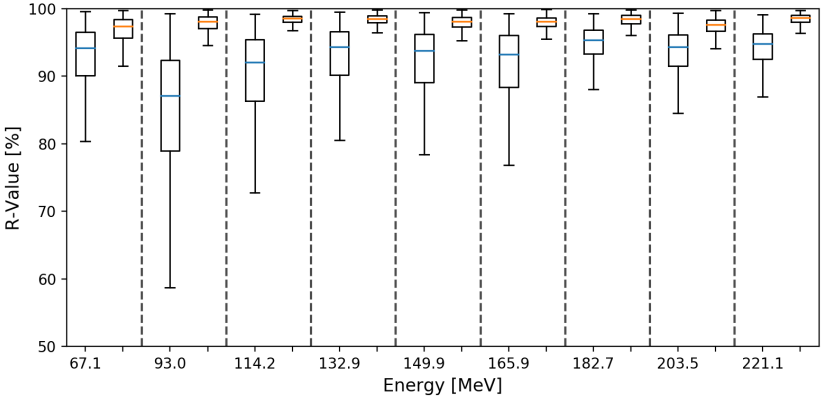


Figure: Spill with new excitation spectrum with protons.

Spill quality

$$R = \frac{\text{Mean}^2}{\text{Mean}^2 + \sigma^2}$$

Improvement of the spill-quality: Protons



Spill quality

$$R = \frac{\text{Mean}^2}{\text{Mean}^2 + \sigma^2}$$

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Summary

- Improvement of spill quality from $\sim$90% to $\sim$99%
- Improvement for all energies, ion species and intensity configurations
- Strong suppresion of fluctuations in the spill
- Take the BTF spektrum as reference for the excitation signal
- Tune distribution is given by amplitude-detuning of the non-linear dynamics of the system

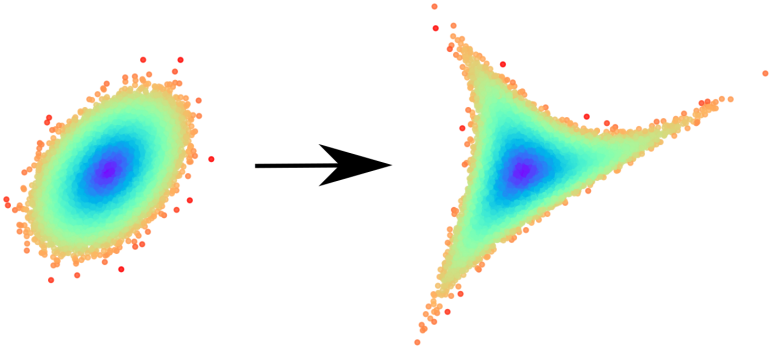
$$Q = \frac{1}{2\pi}\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial J_x}$$

$$J_x : \text{Action} \propto \text{Amplitude in phase-space}$$

and the perturbed distribution in phase-space.

Phase-space

Thank you for your attention.



Extra-slides

Schottky noise signals and BTF

With a coasting beam and no sextupoles:

Parameter	Design value	Measured value
Q_x	1.67895	$1.67952 \pm 5 \times 10^{-5}$
Q_y	1.755	$1.720 \pm 6 \times 10^{-3}$
η	0.47657	0.44 ± 0.02
ξ	-0.655	-0.72 ± 0.06
σ_δ	-	1.2×10^{-3} (FWHM)
ω_S	843.56 Hz	(810 ± 21) Hz

Table: Measured ion-optical parameters with a carbon ion beam C^{6+} with $E_{kin} = 125.25$ MeV/n.

BTF Measurement

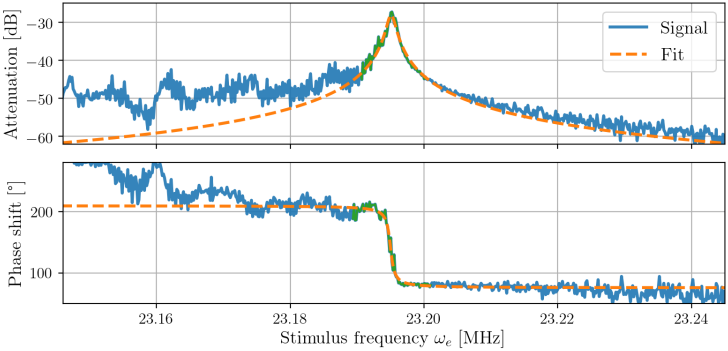


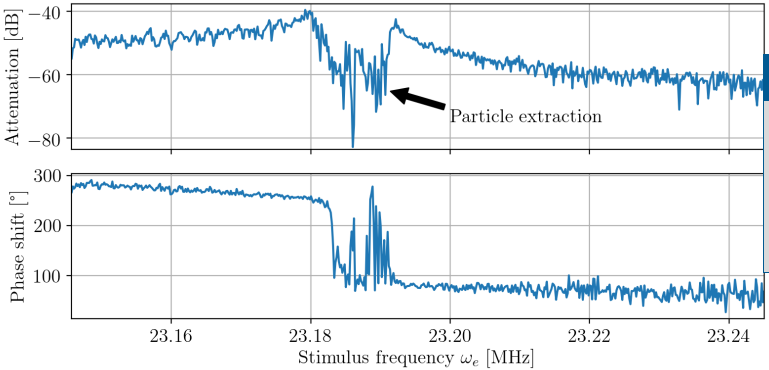
Figure: BTF of a C^{6+} coasting beam

Harmonic oscillator

$$A = \frac{f_0/m}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega_e^2)^2 + (\Lambda\omega_e)^2}}$$

$$\phi = \operatorname{arccot}\left(\frac{\omega_0^2 - \omega_e^2}{\Lambda\omega_e}\right)$$

BTF Measurement



Extraction conditions

- Sextupoles at extraction conditions
- Coasting beam
- Same excitation as before

Figure: BTF with sextupolar fields