

# **FAIR Booster Mode**

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### **Booster Mode**

- Goal: reach maximum intensity in SIS100
  - Longitudinal filling by stacking four SIS18 cycles
  - Two empty buckets as beam abort gap
  - Used with any ion species
- Fundamental requirements
  - Fastest possible repetition rate
  - Direct ramp-down to injection level
  - Fast extraction only
- Repetition rate
  - Original value: 2.7 Hz for U<sup>28+</sup> (reference)
    - Cycle length 370 ms incompatible with 50 Hz
  - Presently aiming for cycle length 380 ms (2.6 Hz)
  - Cycle time longer for lighter ions to 18 Tm!
- Common misconceptions:

  - fastest ramp rate (19 kA/s) ⇒ booster mode

Stacking scheme for RIB production



SIS18 and SIS100 cycles for RIB production



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### **Booster Mode: Topics**



- Beam physics
  - Acceleration at max. possible ramp rate (19 kA/s)
  - Strong eddy current effects
  - Hysteresis effects due to special magnetic cycle
- Hardware
  - AEG power converters
    - Reaching 19 kA/s on down ramp
    - Decrease of rounding time: 32 ms → 24 ms ?
  - MA cavities for H=2
    - Max. voltage, especially for lighter ions
- Machine model
  - Generation of booster mode cycles
  - Smallest number of BPs: bunching in INJECTION
- Control system
  - BD applications handling booster mode properly
  - Ramped front-ends: smaller min. BP length
  - Coupling with new UNILAC timing system
  - FAIR patterns: repetition of single booster cycle

# **Super-Cycle Development**

- Preferred operation: n-fold repetition of same cycle
  - May or may not be feasible
- Version 1

Version 2

First successful test with beam (U<sup>28+</sup>, 2022)

Advantage: same hysteresis for every cycle

Successfully used (U<sup>28+</sup>, 2023; U<sup>73+</sup>, 2024)

 Drawback: completely different magnetic hysteresis for first cycle

Drawback: eddy currents different in first cycle due



Version 2 (2023)



### Version 3

- Advantage: same hysteresis and eddy currents in every cycle
- 2 failed test in 2024 (wrong timing graph?)
  - Error analysis ongoing

to UNILAC synchronization

May wait for new UNILAC timing system





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### **Hysteresis Effects: General**



#### Magnetic field in standard cycle

Magnetic field in booster cycle (first injection omitted)

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- Different magnetic cycle for booster
  - Direct ramp-down to injection level to save time
  - Hysteresis loop significantly smaller
- Expected general effects
  - Larger remnant field at injection
  - Different shape of excitation curve
- Impact on performance
  - Degradation of injection performance
  - Increased beam loss at start of ramp
  - Measured with special U73+ booster cycle U73+
    - Injection into 4/5 repetitions for same eddy currents



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#### High losses at start of ramp in booster cycles

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## **Hysteresis Effects: Dipoles**



#### Larger remnant field at injection

- Shift of horizontal orbit towards center
- Compensation by adjusting B field at injection

#### Radial position for same orbit at injection

Cycle	∆R set value
Booster	8 mm
Standard	-2 mm
Difference	10 mm

#### Horizontal orbit evolution in standard cycle



#### Horizontal orbit evolution in booster cycles



- Strong orbit motion at start of ramp
  - Caused by different shape of B(I) curve
  - Good news: cycles appear to behave identical!
- Observation by monitoring orbit
  - Orbit application can display all cycles
  - Data can be exported in binary format
  - Limitations of present software
    - No comparison of different cycles

## **Hysteresis Effects: Quadrupoles**



- Larger remnant field at injection
  - Tune shift, esp. large in vertical plane
  - Compensation by adjusting set tunes
- Strong tune motion at start of ramp
  - Caused by different shape of B'(I) curve
  - Good news: cycles appear to behave identical!
- Observation difficult
  - Displayed data: snapshots from video recorded on smart phone
  - Limitations of present software
    - No comparison of different cycles
    - No saving data for different cycles

#### Injection tune set values for U<sup>73+</sup> for same real tunes

Cycle	Q <sub>h</sub> set value	$Q_v$ set value
Booster	4.275	3.21
Standard	4.305	3.315
Difference	-0.03	-0.105

#### Horizontal tune in booster mode with $U^{73+}$ for four successive cycles



#### Vertical tune in booster mode with U73+ for four successive cycles



# Hysteresis Compensation (I)

- Short test during last week of beam time
  - Made possible due to septum cable failure
  - U<sup>73+</sup> booster cycle with single injection used
  - Goals: measure and demonstrate compensation
- Measurement of hysteresis
  - 'Chimney' used to change hysteresis loop
  - Injection offsets compensated by set values
  - Separately for dipoles and quadrupoles
  - Data acquired, analysis ongoing

#### Booster cycle with 'chimney' used for hysteresis measurements





#### Effect of changing hysteresis loop for D-quadrupoles on vertical tune





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# Hysteresis Compensation (II)





#### Measured horizontal orbit



- Demonstration of dynamic compensation
  - Manual trims during ramp
    - Dipole hysteresis → integral field B0L
    - Quad hysteresis  $\rightarrow$  vertical tune Q<sub>v</sub>

Manual correction trim to vertical tune



#### Measured vertical tune



- Software tools required for routine operation
  - Orbit correction on ramp
  - Tune correction on ramp

## **BD** applications for booster mode



- Non-uniform behavior of existing applications for displaying beam signals
  - DCT and orbit application
    - All cycles displayed on single time axis at end of super-cycle
  - ACT and tune application
    - Every cycle is displayed when it finishes, erasing the previous one
  - Saving data of individual cycles may or may not be possible
- Goals
  - Allow operators to focus on and diagnose individual cycles
  - Allow operators to compare individual cycles
  - Allow machine physicists to save data of individual cycles
- Considerations for implementation
  - Requirements need to be clarified
  - Present 'booster mode light' may not be identical to final solution
  - Final booster mode structure will be part of FAIR pattern concept

## **Status of Topics**



Category	Торіс	Demonstration	When	Status
Physics	Ramp rate 19 kA/s with U <sup>28+</sup>	Reached 18.9 kA/s up, 17.6 kA/s down	12/2023	up: ok down: p.f.i.
Physics	Investigation of eddy current effects			open
Physics	Compensation of hysteresis effects	Manual compensation	06/2024	demo: ok tools: open
HW	Smaller rounding times for AEG			open
HW	Max. voltage for MA cavities to 42 kV			open
Model	Super-cycles with optimal hysteresis	Version 2 successful, version 3 failed	2022+23	p.f.i.
Model	Bunching in injection			open
CS	Adapt BI applications to booster			open
CS	Smaller min. BP length in FG			open
CS	Coupling with new UNILAC timing			open
CS	FAIR patterns: rep. of single cycle			open

p.f.i. = potential for improvement

# **Comparison to FAIR Requirements**



Booster for U <sup>28+</sup>	FAIR (50 Hz)	Present status
Ramp rate	19 kA/s	18.9 kA/s up, 17.6 kA/s down
Available MA voltage	42 kV	39 kV
Cycle time	380 ms	400 ms
Repetition rate	2.63 Hz	2.50 Hz
Stacking time	1.14 s	1.2 s

- Present MA cavity voltage appears sufficient up to  $\sim 5.10^{10}$  particles
- Potential for reducing cycle time to 380 ms

•	Increasing ramp down rate:	10 ms
•	Reducing min. BP length from 16 ms to 12 ms:	4 ms
•	Reducing rounding time from 32 ms to 24 ms:	16 ms
•	Bunching in injection BP:	16 ms

### $\rightarrow$ FAIR design parameters for booster with U<sup>28+</sup> well in reach

## **Summary and Outlook**



- Booster mode machine development well advanced
  - Demonstrated 2.5 Hz operation with U<sup>28+</sup> (already in 2023)
  - Hysteresis effects understood and manual compensation demonstrated
  - Apparently four identical cycles possible with suitable super-cycle

- Recommended next steps
  - Activities in SYS
    - Booster mode test with a lighter ion, e.g. Ar<sup>10+</sup>
    - Investigation of eddy current effects
    - Merging injection and bunching beam process to save time
    - Development of hysteresis compensation tool
  - Light-weight adaptation of BI applications to handle booster mode better