# A Detector Scenario for the Muon-Collider Cooling Experiment

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**Goal**: Measure the emittance of the muon beam to 3% accuracy before and after the muon cooling apparatus.

Possible site: Meson Lab at Fermilab:



Measure 6-D emittance before and after cooling:



## Overview

**Measure muons individually**, and form a virtual bunch in software:

 $\Rightarrow$  Must know timing to  $\approx$  10 psec to select muons properly phased to the 800-MHz RF of the cooling apparatus.

 $\Rightarrow$  Use RF accelerating cavity to correlate time with momentum.

 $\Rightarrow$  Must measure momentum 4 times.

[ $\Rightarrow$  Must also have coarse timing ( $\lesssim 300$  psec) to remove phase ambiguity.]

Large transverse emittance,  $\epsilon_{N,x} = 1500\pi$  mm-mrad:

 $\Rightarrow$  Confine the muon beam in a 3-Tesla solenoid channel.

 $\Rightarrow$  All muon detection in the 3-T field.

 $\Rightarrow$  Use bent solenoids (toroidal sectors with guiding dipoles) for momentum dispersion.

# Muon momentum = 165 MeV/c:

- $\Rightarrow$  Larmor period of 1.15 m sets scale for detector arrangement.
- $\Rightarrow$  Resolution limited by multiple scattering.
- $\Rightarrow$  Perform tracking in a low-pressure gas.
- 3-T magnetic field  $\Rightarrow$  simplest if detector **E** || **B**.

# $\Rightarrow$ Time Projection Chambers (TPC's)

Higher momentum muons  $\Rightarrow$  higher *B* and/or larger radius magnets.

#### **Time Projection Chamber**



- Two TPC's in same pressure vessel for each of 4 momentum spectrometers.
- Low gas pressure  $\Rightarrow$  low operating voltage.
- 1250 cathode pads, 50-MHz timing sampling.
- Analog pipeline via 512-deep switched-capacitor arrays.
- No trigger: capture entire 10  $\mu$ sec window.
- Could process  $\approx 10$  tracks  $\Rightarrow \approx 1$  MHz rate capability.

## Diffusion

Mean free path longer at low pressure  $\Rightarrow$  larger diffusion!

Spatial smearing;  $\sigma = \sqrt{2Dt} = \sqrt{\frac{2Dz}{v_d}}.$ 



But in a magnetic field, transverse diffusion  $\ll$  longitudinal.

Our measurement of  $P_{\perp}$  in unaffected by longitudinal diffusion.

$$P = \frac{P_{\perp}}{\tan \theta} \approx \frac{P_{\perp}}{\theta} \qquad \Rightarrow \frac{\delta P}{P} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_{P_{\perp}}}{P_{\perp}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{\theta}}{\theta}\right)^2}.$$

#### Longitudinal Diffusion When $\mathbf{E} \parallel \mathbf{B}$

$$D_{\parallel} \approx \frac{v_d kT}{eE}$$
 (Einstein)  $\Rightarrow$   $D(E,T) = \frac{T}{T_0} \frac{E_0}{E} D(E_0,T_0).$ 

 $D_{\parallel} = 10^5 \text{ cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$  at the saturation velocity  $v_d = 10^7 \text{ cm/s}$  in methane at 100°K and 0.01 atmosphere.

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \sigma_z = \sqrt{\frac{2D_{\parallel}x}{v_d}} \equiv A\sqrt{z}, \qquad \text{where} \qquad A = 0.135 \text{ cm}^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Fit for track angle  $\theta$  via  $u = z/\theta$  where  $\hat{\mathbf{u}} \perp \hat{\mathbf{z}}$  and U is measured on the surface of the helix.

$$\chi^{2} = \sum_{i}^{N} \frac{(z_{i} - u_{i}/\theta)^{2}}{\sigma_{z_{i}}^{2}} = \sum_{i}^{N} \frac{(z_{i} - u_{i}/\theta)^{2}}{A^{2}z_{i}},$$

 $\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{1}{\sigma_{\theta}^2} = \frac{\partial \chi^2}{\partial \theta^2}, \qquad \text{and hence} \qquad \sigma_{\theta} = A\theta \sqrt{\frac{\theta}{Nz}}.$ 

 $\sigma_{\theta,\text{diffusion}} \approx 0.00006 \text{ for } N = 15, z = 45 \text{ cm}, \text{ and } \theta_{\text{rms}} = 0.05.$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  Longitudinal diffusion not a problem.

# Transverse Diffusion When E $\parallel$ B

Field  $\mathbf{B} \Rightarrow$  transverse mean free path  $\lesssim$  Larmor radius.

$$\Rightarrow \qquad D_{\perp} \approx \frac{r_B}{l} D_{\parallel} = \frac{kT}{m\omega_B}$$

noting 
$$\frac{r_B}{l} = \frac{v_d/\omega_B}{v_d\tau} = \frac{1}{\omega_B\tau} \approx \frac{1}{3000}$$
, and  $v_d \approx \frac{eE}{m}\tau$ .  
 $\Rightarrow D_\perp \approx 33 \text{ cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ ,  
using  $\omega_B = 1.8 \times 10^{11} \text{ Hz} \times B$  [Tesla], and  $B = 3 \text{ T}$ .  
 $\Rightarrow \quad \sigma_{\perp,\text{diffusion}}(45 \text{ cm}) \approx \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 33 \cdot 45}{10^7}} \text{ cm} = 170 \ \mu \text{m}.$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  Transverse diffusion not a problem.

## Detector R&D at Princeton

We are now building a small 16-channel low-pressure TPC, which can fit inside an old 6-T magnet that we recently recomissioned. To study:

- 1. Accuracy of time and space interpolation via charge sharing on readout pads.
- 2. Measurement of gas gain, drift velocity and diffusion at low temperature and pressure for methane and other candidate gases.
- 3. Verification of detector performance over long drift paths in a strong magnetic field.
- Viability of placement of readout electronics next to pad plane (inside the magnetic field).
- 5. Dynamic range the STAR SCA at 50 MHz (somewhat higher than nominal).