

Calculation of electron current from rest gas ionization in LHC, SPS, PS and LEIR

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2013.12.04 general revision, proper units, adding LEIR for Alexandr, etc.

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2014.05.13 corrected values for PS (ions Pb54+)

2015.03.20 some refactoring

1. Initialization

1.1 Physics constants

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In[1]:=
ħ = Quantity[1.054*^-34, "Joules" * "Seconds"];
m = UnitConvert[Quantity["ElectronMass"]];
c = UnitConvert[Quantity["SpeedOfLight"]];
NA = UnitConvert[Quantity["AvogadroConstant"]];
R = UnitConvert[Quantity["MolarGasConstant"]];
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1.2 Physical parameters

1.2.1 Beam particles

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In[6]:= zprot = 1;
(* mprot = Quantity[0.938272*10^9, "Electronvolts"] *)
mprot = UnitConvert[Quantity["ProtonMass"] * c^2, "Electronvolts"];
zPb = 82;
zPb54 = 54; (* Pb 54+ ionization state for LEIR and for PS *)
mPb = UnitConvert[Quantity[207.97665, "AtomicMassUnits"] * c^2, "Electronvolts"];
(* isotope 208Pb *)
zAr11 = 11; (* Ar 11+ ionization state for LEIR *)
mAr = UnitConvert[Quantity[39.948, "AtomicMassUnit"] * c^2, "Electronvolts"];
(* isotope 40Ar, 99% abundance *)
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1.2.2 Restgas

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(* gas pressure in the chamber *)
p = UnitConvert[Quantity[10^-8, "Millibars"]];
(* gas temperature, shall it be higher? *)
T = Quantity[300, "Kelvins"];
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1.2.3 Beam parameters

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(* particles per bunch *)
Symbolize[Npart];
Npart = {12^11, 1.3^11, 1.5^11,
  1.5^11, 3^8, 2.5^8, 1.8^10, 1.8^10, 1.^9, 1.^9};
(* bunch length *)
lbunchLHC = Quantity[1.1, "NanoSeconds"];
lbunchPSinj = Quantity[100, "NanoSeconds"];
lbunchLEIR = Quantity[200, "NanoSeconds"];
Lbunch = {lbunchPSinj, lbunchLHC, lbunchLHC, lbunchLHC,
  lbunchPSinj, lbunchLHC, lbunchLHC, lbunchLHC, lbunchLEIR, lbunchLEIR}
Out[20]= {100 ns, 1.1 ns, 1.1 ns, 1.1 ns, 100 ns, 1.1 ns, 1.1 ns, 1.1 ns, 200 ns, 200 ns}
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Comment: LEIR bunch length at injection is probably longer.

2. Investigated cases

Cases are :

1. PS, protons at injection 1.4 GeV; PS.p.Inj
2. PS, protons at extraction 26 GeV, PS.p.Ext
3. SPS, protons at extraction 450 GeV, SPS.p.Ext
4. LHC, protons at flat top 7 TeV, LHC.p.Ext
5. PS, Pb ions at injection 0.55 GeV/nucleon, PS.Pb82 + .Inj (shall be 72.2 MeV/nucleon!) (shall be Pb54+)
6. PS, Pb ions at extraction 10.25 GeV/nucleon, PS.Pb82 + .Ext (shall be 5.9 GeV/nucleon!) (shall be Pb54+)
7. SPS, Pb ions at extraction, 177.4 GeV/nucleon, SPS.Pb82 + .Ext
8. LHC, Pb ions at flat top, 2.76 TeV/nucleon, LHC.Pb82 + .Ext
9. LEIR, Argon 11 + ion, LEIR.Ar11, at injection $E_k = 4.2$ MeV/n, using LEIR.Ar11+.Inj
10. LEIR, Lead 54 + ions, extraction energy: 72 MeV/nucleon, using LEIR.Pb54 +.Ext

In[21]:=

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In[22]:= caseName =
  {"PS.p.Inj", "PS.p.Ext", "SPS.p.Ext", "LHC.p.Ext", "PS.Pb54+.Inj", "PS.Pb54+.Ext",
   "SPS.Pb82+.Ext", "LHC.Pb82+.Ext", "LEIR.Ar11+.Inj", "LEIR.Pb54+.Ext"};
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In[23]:= (* list of ionization states *)

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Z = {zprot, zprot, zprot, zprot, zPb54, zPb54, zPb, zPb, zAr11, zPb54};
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In[24]:= (* list of atomic masses in eV *)
mass = {mprot, mprot, mprot, mprot, mPb, mPb, mPb, mPb, mAr, mPb};

In[25]:= (* list of kinetic energies of projectiles (beam) *)
Ek = {Quantity[1.4, "GigaElectronvolts"],
      Quantity[26, "GigaElectronvolts"], Quantity[450, "GigaElectronvolts"],
      Quantity[7, "TeraElectronvolts"], 208 * Quantity[72.2, "MegaElectronvolts"],
      208 * Quantity[5.9, "GigaElectronvolts"],
      208 * Quantity[177.4, "GigaElectronvolts"],
      208 * Quantity[2.76, "TeraElectronvolts"],
      40 * Quantity[4.2, "MegaElectronvolts"], 208 * Quantity[72, "MegaElectronvolts"]}

Out[25]:= {1.4 GeV, 26 GeV, 450 GeV, 7 TeV, 15 017.6 MeV,
           1227.2 GeV, 36 899.2 GeV, 574.08 TeV, 168. MeV, 14 976 MeV}

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3. Ionization cross-section

3.1 Theoretical explanation

Ionization cross-section can be estimated using formula from¹

$$\sigma = 4 \pi Z^2 (\hbar / mc)^2 \beta^{-2} (M^2 x + C);$$

where :

Z is charge of the impacting particle

(1 for protons, 82 for fully ionized Pb ions, for LEIR - partly charges state)

$\hbar$ is a reduced planck constant

m is electron mass

β is impacting particle velocity

M and C are coefficients determined by experiment, dependig of gas type

$$x = \ln \left(\beta^2 / (1 - \beta^2) \right) - \beta^2$$

The above formula was checked for protons at energies 20 MeV –

385 GeV. Because of relaying on Bethe theory it shall be true for fully ionized Pb probably even at PS injection energy 1.4 GeV / nucleon. What is probably not a very good approximation is LEIR case with partly - ionized Argon and Lead with energy as low as 4.2 MeV / nucleon. No appropriate literature was found. Maybe it could be measured?

3.2 calculator relativistic β :

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In[26]:=  $\beta[\text{Ek\_}, \text{mass\_}] := (1 - (\text{Ek} / \text{mass} + 1) \wedge -2) \wedge (1. / 2)$ 
        beta =  $\beta[\text{Ek}, \text{mass}]$ 
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Out[27]= {0.915961, 0.999393, 0.999998, 1.,
          0.372435, 0.990662, 0.999986, 1., 0.0947034, 0.371974}
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In[28]:= {0.9159610123308375`, 0.9993932359134868`,
          0.9999978353193408`, 0.9999999910191992`, 0.3724351132987941`,
          0.9906621473957741`, 0.9999863610779718`, 0.999999943098796`,
          0.09470335911273271`, 0.3719738248268274`}
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```
Out[28]= {0.915961, 0.999393, 0.999998, 1.,
          0.372435, 0.990662, 0.999986, 1., 0.0947034, 0.371974}
```

3.2 relativistic γ_{rel} :

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In[29]:=  $\gamma_{\text{rel}}[\text{b\_}] := 1. / (1 - \text{b} \wedge 2) \wedge 0.5$ 
        gammarel =  $\gamma_{\text{rel}}[\text{beta}]$ 
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Out[30]= {2.4921, 28.7105, 480.605, 7461.52,
          1.07752, 7.33462, 191.468, 2964.31, 1.00451, 1.0773}
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3.2c checking $\gamma_{\text{rel}} * \beta$ (for normalized emittance):

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In[31]:= beta * gammarel
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Out[31]= {2.28267, 28.6931, 480.604, 7461.52,
          0.401306, 7.26613, 191.466, 2964.31, 0.0951309, 0.400729}
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3.3 calculate x :

x is a auxiliary variable for cross section formula

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In[32]:=  $\text{x}[\beta\_]:= \text{Log}[\beta^2 / (1 - \beta^2)] - \beta^2$ 
        ix =  $\text{x}[\text{beta}]$ 
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Out[33]= {0.811708, 5.71453, 11.3501, 16.835,
          -1.96477, 2.98504, 9.50944, 14.9888, -4.71397, -1.96731}
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3.4 calculate cross section:

Values from² which describes ionization by high-energy electrons but claims to be universal (based on Bethe theory).

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In[34]:= (* M and C1 should be dimensionless *)
(* M=4.22^0.5; *)      (* original from Macin: this is for Argon *)
(* C1=37.93; *)        (* original from Macin: this is for Argon *)

(* for neon *)

M = 2.02^0.5;
C1 = 18.2;

(* for H2+D2 *)
(*
M=0.695^0.5;
C1=8.115;
*)

In[36]:= cs[x_, β_, Z_] := 4 π Z^2 (ħ / (m c)) ^2 β^-2 (M^2 x + C1)
(* σ[x_,β_, Z_] :=
4π Z^2 (PlanckConstantReduced/(ElectronMass SpeedOfLight))^2 β^-2 (M^2 x + C1) *)
cross = cs[ixy, beta, Z] (* output in m2 *)

Out[37]= {4.42641 × 10^-23 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2), 5.57428 × 10^-23 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2),
7.69844 × 10^-23 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2), 9.77234 × 10^-23 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2),
5.60013 × 10^-19 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2), 1.34759 × 10^-19 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2), 4.70856 × 10^-19 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2),
6.10153 × 10^-19 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2), 2.19147 × 10^-19 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2), 5.61201 × 10^-19 s^4 J^2 / (kg^2 m^2)}

In[38]:= UnitConvert[cross, "Meters"^2]

Out[38]= {4.42641 × 10^-23 m^2, 5.57428 × 10^-23 m^2, 7.69844 × 10^-23 m^2,
9.77234 × 10^-23 m^2, 5.60013 × 10^-19 m^2, 1.34759 × 10^-19 m^2,
4.70856 × 10^-19 m^2, 6.10153 × 10^-19 m^2, 2.19147 × 10^-19 m^2, 5.61201 × 10^-19 m^2}

In[39]:= UnitConvert[cross, "Barns"]

Out[39]= {442 641. b, 557 428. b, 769 844. b, 977 234. b, 5.60013 × 10^9 b,
1.34759 × 10^9 b, 4.70856 × 10^9 b, 6.10153 × 10^9 b, 2.19147 × 10^9 b, 5.61201 × 10^9 b}

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4. Amount of electron emitted when a bunch crosses zone above detector

4.1 Number density of gas

Calculate number density of target particles per unit volume from pressure and temperature, assuming ideal gas.



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In[40]:= Symbolize[n]; (* gas number density in 1/meter^3 *)
n = Quantity[p * N_A / (R * T)]

Out[41]= 2.41432 × 10^15 per meter^3

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4.2 Introduced depth of the active gas

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In[42]:= dLHC = Quantity[5, "CentiMeters"]; (* depth of the target, 5 cm *)
dLEIR = Quantity[3, "CentiMeters"]; (* depth of the target, 3 cm *)
dPS = Quantity[14.1, "MiliMeters"]; (* timepix is 14.1 mm *)
d = {dPS, dPS, dLHC, dLHC, dPS, dPS, dLHC, dLHC, dLEIR, dLEIR}

Out[45]= {14.1 mm, 14.1 mm, 5 cm, 5 cm, 14.1 mm, 14.1 mm, 5 cm, 5 cm, 3 cm, 3 cm}
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4.3 Number of electrons per single bunch passing through the active gas (i.e. gas above detector)

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In[46]:=

In[47]:= ne[n_, d_, σ_, Npart] := n * d * σ * Npart
nelec = ne[n, d, cross, Npart]

Out[48]= {1808.2, 246.687, 1393.99, 1769.52, 5719.19,
1146.86, 1.02312 × 106, 1.3258 × 106, 15872.7, 40647.6}
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4.4 Peak current

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In[49]:= i_peak[n_, dt_] := n * Quantity[1.6 * 10^-19, "Coulombs"] / dt
Ipeak = i_peak[nelec, Lbunch]

Out[50]= {2.89313 × 10^-18 C/ns, 3.58818 × 10^-17 C/ns, 2.02762 × 10^-16 C/ns,
2.57385 × 10^-16 C/ns, 9.1507 × 10^-18 C/ns, 1.66817 × 10^-16 C/ns, 1.48817 × 10^-13 C/ns,
1.92843 × 10^-13 C/ns, 1.26982 × 10^-17 C/ns, 3.25181 × 10^-17 C/ns}

In[51]:= UnitConvert[Ipeak, "Amperes"]

Out[51]= {2.89313 × 10^-9 A, 3.58818 × 10^-8 A, 2.02762 × 10^-7 A, 2.57385 × 10^-7 A, 9.1507 × 10^-9 A,
1.66817 × 10^-7 A, 0.000148817 A, 0.000192843 A, 1.26982 × 10^-8 A, 3.25181 × 10^-8 A}
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5. Summary

Final results in form of the table:

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In[62]:= data = {{machine, PS, PS, PS, LHC, PS, PS, SPS, LHC, LEIR, LEIR}, {"particle", "p",
  "p", "p", "p", "Pb54+", "Pb54+", "Pb82+", "Pb82+", "Ar11+", "Pb54+"},
  Join[{energy}, Ek], Join[{ppb}, Npart], Join[{σ}, UnitConvert[cross, "barns"]],
  Join[{Nelec}, nelec], Join[{peak current}, UnitConvert[Ipeak, "NanoAmperes"]]];
Grid[data, Frame → All, Background → LightGray, ItemSize → {Automatic, 1.5},
  BaseStyle → {FontFamily → "Helvetica", 10}, FrameStyle → Thin]

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machine	PS	PS	SPS	LHC	PS	PS	SPS	LHC	LEIR	LEIR
particle	p	p	p	p	Pb54+	Pb54+	Pb82+	Pb82+	Ar11+	Pb54+
energy	1.4 GeV	26 GeV	450 GeV	7 TeV	15017.6 MeV	1227.2 GeV	36899.2 GeV	574.08 TeV	168. MeV	14976 MeV
ppb	1200000. 00000. 0	1.3×10^{11}	1.5×10^{11}	1.5×10^{11}	3000000. 00	2.5×10^8	1.8×10^{10}	1.8×10^{10}	$1. \times 10^9$	$1. \times 10^9$
σ	442641. b	557428. b	769844. b	977234. b	5.60013×10^9 b	1.34759×10^9 b	4.70856×10^9 b	6.10153×10^9 b	2.19147×10^9 b	5.61201×10^9 b
Nelec	1808.2	246.687	1393.99	1769.52	5719.19	1146.86	1.02312×10^6	1.3258×10^6	15872.7	40647.6
current peak	2.89313 nA	35.8818 nA	202.762 nA	257.385 nA	9.1507 nA	166.817 nA	148817. nA	192843. nA	12.6982 nA	32.5181 nA

¹ H. Ishimaru, S. Shibata, M. Inokuti, Phys. Rev. A51, 4631 (1995)

² Rieke, Foster F., and William Prepejchal. "Ionization Cross Sections of Gaseous Atoms and Molecules for High-Energy Electrons and Positrons." Physical Review A 6, no. 4 (1972): 1507.