

# Visualization of the Electron Cloud in the Main Injector

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## Purpose

- The electron cloud effect is a phenomenon that occurs in a particle accelerator. The cloud could disrupt the beam via electro-dynamic interactions.
- Through the use of R scripting language, I am going to build a small visualization package to create compelling animations describing the dynamics of the electron cloud in the Main Injector.
- The R statistical package has been chosen because (1) it has extensive statistical capabilities and (2) has a wide range of graphical capabilities.

### What is the Electron Cloud Effect?



- + Beam emits photoelectrons through synchrotron radiation.
  - + Beam-Gas Ionization/Stray Protons
- + The photoelectrons propagate through the beam pipe.
- Upon striking the wall of the chamber, they create more electrons through Secondary Emission Yield (SEY).
- + This yield is characterized by the function TM.

## Formation of the Electron Cloud



- + The beam travels in a succession of short bunches.
  - + With charge  $Q_b = N_b Z e$
- + Factors that cause the ECE:
  - + Bunch intensity, bunch shape, beam loss rate, photon reflectivity, SEY, vacuum pressure, chamber size

# Why does it matter?

- Many consequences for the accuracy and efficiency of the beam.
  - + Multi-bunch instability
  - + Emittance Growth
  - + Gas desorption from walls/energy deposition on walls
  - + Particle loss/interference



## Why animate the electron cloud?

+ To create a visualization of the electron cloud effect

- + Illustrate to public
- + Create an animation of the dynamics within
- + To illustrate a variety of factors, such as velocity and density, besides simply position
- Discover something new in the 3D model that cannot be seen in 2D or through the data.
  - + Can be used to limit the negative effects of the electron cloud effect

# **Early Visualizations**







# How Do We Animate?

#### + 2 Basic Things are needed

- An half open cylinder that represents the chamber that the beam is traveling in
- + The electrons themselves, plotted in 3D
- + Other Requirements
  - + Some way to demonstrate the velocity of the electrons to gain a better understanding of the dynamics of the electron cloud
  - + This some plot at multiple time-steps to be able to create an animation

# Building the Cylinder

- + The next step was to "build" the cylinder in which I could create the animation of the electron cloud effect.
- + Since there is no direct function in RGL (the Open GL interface for R) for creating a half open cylinder, I had to create numerous thin rectangles looping around to create my cylinder.
- + This would be accomplished by first creating an initial rectangle, multiplying it by a rotation matrix to move it onto the next point in the circular motion (in a loop).
- + To start off, I decided to use a single point instead of a rectangle to get a grasp of coding a loop to create my cylinder



# The Cylinder

- + Substituted rectangles for points and then built the cylinder.
- Adjusted the material and texture of the cylinder to add transparency, color, reflectivity, and a light source to illuminate the cylinder.
- + Add a few arbitrary points within the cylinder and demonstrate velocity.



# **Electron Cloud Visualizations**



# Animation



### Conclusion

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- The Electron Cloud effect is a detrimental effect in the Main Injector by having consequences for the efficiency and accuracy of the beam.
- A 3D animation is valuable because it creates an easily viewable visualization and maybe reveal more than the data or a 2D drawing.
- + The visualization reveals how the electrons disrupt by "clouding" around the beam.

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