Superimposed electric/magnetic “dipole moment comparator” lattice design

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Abstract: In contrast to a “single particle table-top trap”, an essential feature of a storage ring “trap” is that $10^{10}$ or more particles can have their spins aligned in a polarized beam. This is a number of polarized particles large enough for the beam polarization to be detected externally, and fed back to permit external control of the beam polarization. Though the table large enough for any such “storage ring trap” is quite large, the level of achievable spin control, though classical, not quantum mechanical, can be comparable to the control of one or a small number of polarized particles in a low energy trap.

Motivated to investigate time reversal invariance, especially the detection of non-zero electric dipole moments (EDMs) this paper describes the design of a low energy storage ring having the superimposed electric and magnetic bending needed to “freeze” the spins of polarized beams. For electrons (of either sign) and protons the spins can be frozen with all-electric bending but, in general, superimposed electric/magnetic bending is required. Since constructive bending superposition in one direction implies destructive superposition in the other direction, counter-circulating beams must differ, either in particle type or momentum, in order for their orbits to be identical.

For globally frozen spin operation the bunch polarizations remain constant relative to the momenta, for example remaining parallel to the circulating beam momentum vectors. With superimposed electric and magnetic bending, the globally frozen spin condition can be met over a continua (specific to particle type) of E/B ratios. When this condition is met, the out-of-plane, EDM-induced precession accumulates monotonically, which is obligatory for producing a measurably large EDM signal. As Koop has explained, the EDM signal will still accumulate if the polarization is allowed to “roll like a wheel” around a radial axis.

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1 Introduction

This paper discusses the design of a storage ring whose purpose is to detect (T-) time-reversal violation in the form of non-vanishing electric dipole moments (EDMs).

As written, the paper is organized much like a review article surveying an established field in a broad but shallow way. What makes this ironic is that the paper can only provide a preview of a field that, at the moment, scarcely exists. With a single exception (a 10 MeV AGS Analogue Electron Accelerator, conceived of, designed, built, commissioned, and successfully accomplishing all of its goals, before being de-commissioned, all within four or five years in Brookhaven in the mid-1950’s [1–3] no relativistic accelerator employing electric bending has ever been built.
Conventional storage rings have used noticeably large transverse electric fields to separate counter-circulating beams. Contrarily, we are concerned with simultaneously counter-circulating beams following “identical” spatial orbits in rings with superimposed electric and magnetic bending. With the bending being constructive in one direction, and destructive in the other, such a configuration may, superficially, seem to violate T-conservation. Not true however; the main motivation for such a perverse pursuit is to search for T-violation. Perhaps surprisingly, another goal of the paper is to show how the application of T-invariance can simplify the task of designing the storage ring lattice. This includes contemplation of similarities between classical and quantum mechanics.

The leading observable effect of a static particle EDM would be an “out-of-plane” spin precession (orthogonal to “in-plane” horizontal spin precession caused by whatever magnetic and/or electric fields cause the particle orbit to consist of a sequence of horizontal circular arcs). With standard model EDM predictions being much smaller than current experimental sensitivities, detection of any particle’s non-zero EDM would signal discovery of New Physics.

Currently the proton EDM upper limit (as inferred indirectly by measuring the Hg atom EDM) is roughly $10^{-24}\text{e}\cdot\text{cm}$ [4]. A “nominal experimental proton EDM detectability target” has, by convention, been defined to be $10^{-29}\text{e}\cdot\text{cm}$. An EDM of this magnitude could help to account for the observed matter/antimatter asymmetry of our universe while, at the same time, being plausibly (one or two orders of magnitude) larger than existing standard model predictions. This nominal EDM value can also be compared to a general relativistic (GR) out-of-plane precession effect, mimicking an EDM of approximately $10^{-28}\text{e}\cdot\text{cm}$, associated with the downward gravitational pull of the earth’s magnetic field. Depending on storage ring details, this reliably calculable “background precession” will provide a “standard candle of convenient magnitude” calibration of any EDM measurement [4].

2 Co-magnetometry

For particles at rest “co-magnetometry” in low energy “table-top particle traps” has been essential. For example, Gabrielse [5] has (with excellent justification) described the measurement of the electron magnetic moment (with 13 decimal point accuracy) as “the standard model’s greatest triumph”, based on the combination of its measurement to such high accuracy and on its agreement with theory to almost the same accuracy.

Especially for the direct measurement of EDMs, storage ring technology with beam pairs that can counter-circulate simultaneously in a storage ring with superimposed electric and magnetic bending is required. In this context the term “mutual co-magnetometry” can be used to apply to “beam type pairings” for which both beams have frozen spins.

In the idealized storage ring to be discussed, the electromagnetic fields are “cylindrical” electric $\mathbf{E} = -E_0\hat{x}r_0/r$ and, superimposed, uniform magnetic $\mathbf{B} = B_0\hat{y}$. The bend radius is $r_0 > 0$. Terminology is useful to specify the relative polarities of electric and magnetic bending: cases in which both forces cause bending in the same sense will be called “constructive” or “frugal”; cases in which the electric and magnetic forces subtract will be referred to as “destructive” or “extravagant”.

There is justification for the “frugal/extravagant” terminology. Electric bending is notoriously weak (compared to magnetic bending) and iron-free (required to avoid hysteretic effects) magnetic
bending is also notoriously weak. As a result, an otherwise-satisfactory configuration can be too “extravagant” to be experimentally feasible.

For a particle with spin circulating in a (horizontal) planar magnetic storage ring, its spin axis precesses around a vertical axis at a rate proportional to the particle’s anomalous magnetic dipole moment, $G$. For an “ideal Dirac particle” (meaning $G = 0$) in a purely magnetic field the spin precesses at the same rate as the momentum — pointing always forward for example. Conventionally the spin vector’s orientation is specified by the in-plane angle $\alpha$ between the spin vector $S$ and the particle’s momentum vector $p$ (which is tangential, by definition). For such a “not-anomalous” particle the spin-tune $Q_M$ (defined to be the number of $2\pi$ spin revolutions per particle revolution) therefore vanishes, in spite of the fact that, in the laboratory, the spin axis has actually precessed by close to $2\pi$ each turn.

In general, particles are not ideal; the directions of their spin vectors deviate at a rate proportional to their anomalous magnetic moments, $G$, and their spin tunes differ from zero even in a uniform magnetic field. Note also, that a laboratory electric field produces a magnetic field in the particle rest frame, so a particle in an all-electric storage ring also has, in general, a non-vanishing spin tune $Q_E$. Along with $G$ and $Q$, all of these comments apply equally to the polarization vector of an entire bunch of polarized circulating particles.

By convention, in the BMT-formalism [6, 7], the orientation of the spin vector $S'$ is defined and tracked in the rest frame of the circulating particle, while the electric and magnetic field vectors are expressed in the lab. The spin equation of motion with angular velocity $\Omega$ is

$$\frac{dS'}{dt} = \Omega \times S', \quad (2.1)$$

with orbit in the horizontal $(x, z)$ plane assumed, where

$$\Omega = -\frac{q}{\gamma mc} \left( (G\gamma) cB_0 + \left( (G - \frac{1}{\gamma^2 - 1}) \gamma \beta^2 \right) \frac{E_0}{\beta} \right) \hat{y}$$

$$= -\frac{q}{\gamma mc} \left( (Q_M) cB_0 + (Q_E) E_0/\beta \right) \hat{y}, \quad (2.2)$$

This equation serves to determine the “spin tune”, which is defined to be the variation rate per turn of $\alpha$, as a fraction of $2\pi$. Spin tunes in purely electric and purely magnetic rings are given by

$$Q_E = G\gamma - \frac{G + 1}{\gamma}, \quad Q_M = G\gamma, \quad (2.3)$$

where $\gamma$ is the usual relativistic factor. Note that the sign of $Q_M$ is the same as the sign of $G$, which is positive for protons — proton spins precess more rapidly than their momenta in magnetic fields. Deuteron spins, with $G$ negative, lag their momenta in magnetic fields. With $G$ positive, $Q_E$ increases from -1 at zero velocity, eventually switching sign at the “magic” velocity where the spins in an all-electric ring are “globally frozen” relative to the beam direction. When a particle spin has precessed through $2\pi$ in the rest frame it has also completed one full revolution cycle from a laboratory point of view; so the spin-tune is a frame invariant quantity.
3 Superimposed electric and magnetic bending

3.1 Circular orbits

For brevity one can discuss just electrons (including positrons) protons ($p$), deuterons ($d$), tritons ($t$), and helions ($h$), or even just $p$ and $d$, based on the consideration that most of the apparatus, and all of the technology, needed for their EDM measurement is presently available at COSY laboratory in Juelich, Germany.

The circulation direction of a so-called “master beam” (of whatever charge $q_1$) is assumed to be CW or, equivalently, $p_1 > 0$. A secondary beam charge $q_2$ is allowed to have either sign, and either CW or CCW circulation direction.

Ideally both beam polarizations would be frozen “globally” (meaning spin tune $Q_S$ is zero and the angle $\alpha$ between polarization vector and momentum is constant everywhere around the ring). (Somewhat weaker) “doubly-frozen” can (and will) be taken to mean that a “primary beam” locked to $Q_S = 0$, circulates concurrently with a “secondary” beam that is “pseudo-frozen”, meaning the spin tune is locked to an unambiguous, exact, rational fraction. Only if this rational fraction is zero, would the terminology “doubly-magic” be legitimate.

These pairings are expected to make direct EDM difference measurements of unprecedented precision possible. For any arbitrary pairing of particle types ($p, d, (p, e), (\mu, e+), (d, h), (p, t)$, etc.) continua of such doubly-frozen pairings are guaranteed.

A design particle has mass $m > 0$ and charge $qe$, with electron charge $e > 0$ and $q = \pm 1$ (or some other integer). These values produce circular motion with radius $r_0 > 0$, and velocity $v = v\hat{z}$, where the motion is CW (clockwise) for $v > 0$ or CCW for $v < 0$. With $0 < \theta < 2\pi$ being the cylindrical particle position coordinate around the ring, the angular velocity is $d\theta/dt = v/r_0$.

(In MKS units) $qeE_0$ and $qe\beta c B_0$ are commensurate forces, with the magnetic force relatively weakened by a factor $\beta = v/c$ because the magnetic Lorentz force is $qe v \times B$. By convention $e$ is the absolute value of the electron charge; where it appears explicitly, usually as a denominator factor, its purpose in MKS formulas is to allow energy factors to be evaluated as electron volts (eV) in formulas for which the MKS unit of energy is the joule. Newton’s formula for radius $r_0$ circular motion, expressed in terms of momentum and velocity (rather than just velocity, in order to be relativistically valid) can be expressed using the total force per unit charge in the form

$$\beta \frac{pc}{e} = \left( E_0 + c\beta B_0 \right) qr_0, \quad (3.1)$$

Coming from the cross-product Lorentz magnetic force, the factor $q\beta c B_0$ is negative for backward-traveling orbits because the $\beta$ factor is negative.

A “master” or primary beam travels in the “forward”, CW direction. For the secondary beam, the $\beta$ factor can have either sign. For $q = 1$ and $E_0 = 0$, formula (3.1) reduces to a standard accelerator physics “cB-rho=pc/e” formula. For $E_0 \neq 0$ the formula incorporates the relative “bending effectiveness” of $E_0/\beta$ compared to $c B_0$. As well as fixing the bend radius $r_0$, this fixes the magnitudes of the electric and magnetic bend field values $E_0$ and $B_0$. To begin, we assume the parameters of a frozen spin “master”, charge $qe$, particle beam have already been established, including the signs of the electric and magnetic fields consistent with $\beta_1 > 0$ and $p_1 > 0$. In general, beams, can be traveling either CW or CCW. For a CCW beam both $p$ and $\beta$ have reversed...
signs, with the effect that the electric force is unchanged, but the magnetic force is reversed. The $\beta$ velocity factor can be expressed as

$$\beta = \frac{pc/e}{\sqrt{(pc/e)^2 + (mc^2/e)^2}}.$$  (3.2)

Eq. (3.1) becomes

$$\frac{pc}{e} = \left(\frac{E_0\sqrt{(pc/e)^2 + (mc^2/e)^2}}{pc/e} + cB_0\right)qr_0.$$  (3.3)

Cross-multiplying the denominator factor produces

$$\left(\frac{pc}{e}\right)^2 = qE_0r_0\sqrt{(pc/e)^2 + (mc^2/e)^2} + qcB_0r_0\frac{pc}{e}.$$  (3.4)

To simplify the formulas we make some replacements and alterations, starting with

$$pc/e \rightarrow p, \quad \text{and} \quad mc^2/e \rightarrow m,$$  (3.5)

The mass parameter $m$ will be replaced later by, $m_p$, $m_d$, $m_{\text{tritium}}$, $m_e$, etc., as appropriate for the particular particle types, proton, deuteron, triton, electron, helion, etc.. These changes amount to setting $c = 1$ and switching the energy units from joules to electron volts. The number of ring and beam parameters can be reduced by forming the combinations

$$\mathcal{E} = qE_0r_0, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{B} = qcB_0r_0.$$  (3.6)

After these changes, the closed orbit equation has become

$$p_m^4 - 2\mathcal{B}p_m^3 + (\mathcal{B}^2 - \mathcal{E}^2)p_m^2 - \mathcal{E}^2m^2 = 0,$$  (3.7)

an equation to be solved for either CW and CCW orbits. The absence of a term linear in $p_m$ suggests the restoration, using eq. (3.6), of the explicit form of $\mathcal{B}$ in the coefficient of the $p_m^3$ term to produce;

$$p_m^4 - 2cB_0(qr_0)p_m^3 + (\mathcal{B}^2 - \mathcal{E}^2)p_m^2 - \mathcal{E}^2m^2 = 0.$$  (3.8)

The product factor $(qr_0)$ can be altered arbitrarily without influencing any conclusions. This and other properties can be confirmed by pure reasoning, based on the structure of the equation, or by explicit partially-numerical factorization of the left hand side.

These considerations have removed some, but not all of the sign ambiguities introduced by the quadratic substitutions used in the derivation of eq. (3.8). The electric field can still be reversed without altering the set of solutions of the equation. Note that this change cannot be compensated by switching the sign of $q$, which also reverses the magnetic bending. The most significant experimental implication is that it is not only positrons, but also electrons, that can have orbits identical to (necessarily positive in practice) baryons.

We can contemplate allowing the signs of $E_0$ or $B_0$ to be reversed for experimental purposes, such as interchanging CW and CCW beams, or replacing positrons by electrons, but only if this can be done with sufficiently high reproducability. *Demonstrating this capability (by promising spin tune measurability with frequency domain precision) is an important ingredient of this paper.*
Fractional bending coefficients $\eta_E$ and $\eta_m$ can be defined by

$$\eta_E = \frac{q r_0}{p c / e} \frac{E_0}{\beta}, \quad \eta_M = \frac{q r_0}{p c / e} c B_0,$$

(3.9)

neither of which is necessarily positive. These fractional bending fractions satisfy

$$\eta_E + \eta_M = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\eta_E}{\eta_M} = \frac{E_0 / \beta}{c B_0}.$$  

(3.10)

The “potencies” of magnetic and electric bending are in the ratio $c B_0/(E_0/\beta)$ because the electric field is stronger than the magnetic by the factor $1/\beta$ as regards bending charge $q$ onto an orbit with the given radius of curvature $r_0$. The curious parenthetic arrangement of eq. (2.2) is intended to aid in the demonstration that, when expressed in term of spin tunes, the “potencies” of magnetic and electrically induced MDM precessions are in the same ratio as the bending potencies.

### 3.2 Frozen spins

The combined field spin tune can be expressed in terms of the fractional precession coefficients;

$$Q_S = \eta_E Q_E + \eta_M Q_M.$$

(3.11)

Superimposed electric and magnetic bending permits beam spins to be frozen “frugally”; i.e. with a ring smaller than would be required for all-electric bending; for spin tune $Q_S$ to vanish requires

$$Q_S = \eta_E Q_E + (1 - \eta_E) Q_M = 0.$$

(3.12)

Solving for $\eta_E$ and $\eta_M$,

$$\eta_E = \frac{G \gamma^2}{G + 1}, \quad \eta_M = 1 + G (1 - \gamma^2) = \frac{1 - G \beta^2 \gamma^2}{G + 1}.$$

(3.13)

For example, with proton anomalous magnetic moment $G_p = 1.7928474$, trying $\gamma = 1.25$, we obtain $\eta_E = 1.000$ which agrees with the known proton 233 Mev kinetic energy value in an all-electric ring. For protons in the non-relativistic limit, $\gamma \approx 1$ and $\eta_E^{NR} \approx 2/3$.

The electric/magnetic field ratio for the primary beam to be frozen is

$$\frac{\eta_E}{\eta_M} = \frac{E_0 / \beta}{c B_0} = \frac{G_1 \gamma_1^2}{1 - G_1 \beta_1^2 \gamma_1^2}.$$

(3.14)

For given $\beta_1$, along with this equation and the required bend radius $r_0$, this fixes the electric and magnetic fields to the unique values that globally freeze the primary beam spins. With $1 \rightarrow 2$ subscript replacement, the same frozen beam formulas apply to the secondary beam; note, though, that the $\beta$ factor has opposite sign. To be “doubly-magic” both beams must satisfy this relation.

### 4 Symplecticity-assisted lattice design

#### 4.1 Superimposed electric/magnetic lattice complications

The fundamental complication of an electric ring, as contrasted with a magnetic ring, is the non-constancy of particle speed [8]. A fast/slow separation into betatron and synchrotron amplitudes
has become fundamental to the conventional Courant-Snyder (CS) magnetic ring formalism. For CS, since the mechanical energy varies only in RF cavities, the $\gamma$ factor is invariant in the rest of the ring, and one is accustomed to treating $\gamma$ as constant for times short compared to the synchrotron period. Only to the extent the betatron parameters are independent of total particle energy, can the betatron and synchrotron motions be directly superimposed.

By contrast, in an electric lattice the mechanical energy (as quantified by $\gamma$) varies on the same time scale as the transverse $x$ and $y$ amplitudes. On the other hand, the slow change, only in RF cavities, of the total energy $E = \gamma mc^2 + eV(r)$, which includes also the potential energy $eV(r)$, makes a similar fast/slow separation possible.

To most closely mimic the fast/slow superposition of betatron and synchrotron oscillations in an electric ring, and to continue to regard $\gamma$ as the fundamental “energy-like” parameter, requires us to evaluate $\gamma$ only in regions of zero electric potential, which is to say, not in RF cavities, and not in electric bending elements — in other words, only in field free drift regions. This leads to a curious, but entirely manageable, representation in which the particle orbits are modeled exactly only in drift regions, though most of their time is spent inside bend elements where $\gamma$ is variable, and little time in short drift regions (where $\gamma$ is constant).

The reason this approach is fully satisfactory is that the drift regions are fairly closely spaced, and more or less uniformly distributed around the ring. Knowing the lattice functions exactly in these regions is operationally almost as satisfactory as knowing them everywhere. With these qualifications, one can still rely on the approximate representation of individual particle motions as a superposition of fast betatron and slow synchrotron motions.

4.2 Transfer matrix evolution

It is important to notice, in subsequent sections, that there is no mention of the source of bending and focusing. Irrespective of the electric/magnetic character of the elements in an accelerator, particle orbits (which, for simplicity, we take to be executing only small amplitude vertical betatron oscillation, are focused by ring lattice elements of focusing strength $K(s)$, where $s$ is a tangential coordinate along the design (or central) orbit such that the trajectory satisfies the “focusing differential equation”

$$\frac{d^2 y}{ds^2} = K(s)y.$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.1)

The sign of $K$, like that of a Hooke’s law force, is negative for “restoring”. (In practice, one way or another, the focusing is always “alternating gradient” (AG), so, locally, the sign is as likely to be positive as negative — and of opposite sign for horizontal betatron oscillations.)

The dependence of $K(s)$ on $s$ permits the description of systems in which the focusing strength varies along the orbit. In particular, $K(s) = 0$ describes “drift spaces” in which case eq. (4.1) is trivially solvable, and yields the obvious result that particles in free space travel in straight lines.

4.3 Design methodology

(Deferred until the methodology used in its design has been described) a layout of the full ring, (to be referred to here as “BSM) is shown in figure 2. The ring has super-periodicity $n_c = 4$. Optical elements for one super-period are shown on the left. Since each quadrant is forward/backward symmetric, it is sufficient to design, and display, just one eighth of the ring. $\beta_x$ and $\beta_y$ are plotted
against element indices (ordinal numbers, starting at 1) in figure 1. (Barely visible) grid lines mark the boundaries between adjacent elements.

The lattice design has been performed using a program, MAPLE-BSM, that exploits the algebraic (as contrasted with numerical) capabilities of typical lattice analysis programs. This design code is based on Wollnik transfer matrix elements [9], which implicitly describe orbit evolution between points of zero electric potential energy.

One sees that the ring is very simple since the element index increases by 1 from element to element, and the figure is mirror symmetric about map index 10. All element names, including drift lengths, are shown, drifts above, powered elements below.

For brevity, we describe only vertical motion, and describe the evolution of vertical phase space coordinates \( y = (y, y')^T \), a two component column vector, by transfer matrix multiplication;

\[
y_1 = M_{10} y_0.
\]

To obtain the once-around transfer matrix at location 1, one starts by calculating \( M_{10} \), the transfer matrix from map index 0 to 1; note that the matrix indices are attached “backwards”, not in increasing index order. Exploiting symplecticity, from \( M_{10} \) one can obtain \( M_{11}^{-1} \) algebraically; (i.e. analytically, not numerically). The algebraic relation is

\[
M^{-1} = -SM^T S, \quad \text{where} \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}
\]

for \( 2 \times 2 \) matrices and \( S \) is replicated along the diagonal for higher dimensions. One can proceed to find \( M_{21} \) and \( M_{21}^{-1} \) and so on, in the same way. Propagation from 0 to 2 is given by

\[
M_{20} = M_{21} M_{10}.
\]

and so on. Iterating these calculations, one next describes motion through just one of the \( n_C \) super-periods. Then, by just \( n_C \) more matrix multiplications one can find \( M_{00} \), the “once-around transfer matrix” at the origin. The once-around transfer matrix at location 1, \( M_{11} \), is then given by

\[
M_{11} = M_{10} M_{00} M_{10}^{-1}.
\]

One notes that, whereas the orbit coordinates \((y, y')\) evolve by direct transformation, the lattice parameters evolve by similarity transformation. This duality resembles the Schrodinger/Heisenberg complementary “pictures” in quantum mechanics.

The Twiss parameters, \( \alpha, \beta \) and \( \mu \) can be solved for at every location using the four equations implied, element by element, by the equation

\[
M(s, s + C) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \mu + \alpha(s) \sin \mu & \beta(s) \sin \mu \\ -\frac{(1+\alpha^2(s)) \sin \mu + \alpha \cos \mu}{\beta(s)} \cos \mu - \alpha(s) \sin \mu \end{pmatrix}
\]

\[\text{denoting} \quad M(s, s + C) = \begin{pmatrix} a(s) & b(s) \\ c(s) & d(s) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} y \quad y' \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} x \quad x' \end{pmatrix}^T \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a(s) & b(s) \\ c(s) & d(s) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for} \quad (x, x') \rightarrow (y, y').\]

1“Algebraic” design implies that, in principle, an entire lattice design can be performed in closed form. In practice this would be impossible, since there are far too many independent parameters. The combinatorics of handling a large number of independent arguments could overwhelm even the most powerful computer program in the most powerful computer. But, with care in introducing free parameters, all design procedures, such as inverting matrices and solving constraint equations, can be handled in closed form — with numerical values produced only for output convenience.
where \( \alpha = -\beta'/2; \mu \equiv 2\pi Q \) is the “ring phase advance”; and \( Q \) is the “ring tune”. Equally important, in a ring with super-periodicity \( n_C \), the same formula is valid, with \( \mu \rightarrow \mu/n_C \) and \( C \rightarrow C/n_C \).

Proceeding inductively, one obtains once-around transfer matrices and Twiss parameters at every element interface. They are plotted in figure 1. The points are joined by straight lines. This is mildly misleading since, with \( \alpha(s) = -\beta'(s)/2 \) being continuous, the “kinks” visible in \( \beta(s) \) are artificial, and need to be “rounded off” mentally. Also, plotted against element index, the beta function shape is distorted from what one is accustomed to seeing. This is rectified, in the subsequent plots, by plotting \( \beta(s) \) — but the kinks, caused by straight line interpolation, remain.

### 4.4 Lattice design and lattice analysis contrasted

There are many lattice simulation programs, SYNCH, MAD, MADX, TEAPOT, PTR, B-MAD, ELEGANT, to name just a few. All of these are primarily “lattice analysis programs” — a term to be defined (unconventionally) below. Starting from a sequential list of design elements: bending elements, quadrupoles, sextupoles, RF cavities, beam position monitors, along with their lengths, strengths, and all other relevant parameters, these programs support lattice analysis. As well as providing long term particle position tracking (and spin orientations if necessary) such programs provide for setting the strengths of all the powered elements to flatten the orbit, set the tunes, adjust the focusing properties, and so on.

Commonly the lattice description inputs to such programs can be idealized, in the sense that many elements have identical parameters and identical powering; this feature is supported by allowing the parameters to be algebraic, rather than numeric. Eventually though, to allow for their not quite identical properties, some or, in general, all, of their parameters have to be “fully-instantiated”, meaning numerical rather than algebraic. Typically the fitting algorithms mentioned in the previous paragraph are entirely numerical, though with methods for grouping elements into “families of elements” whose strengths are constrained to scale proportionally.

All these features can be provided by computer languages such as Fortran, C, and C++, Python, etc. In the terminology I have been employing all these programs are analysis programs employing numerical algorithms. What they are not, is “design programs” capable of taking advantage of powerful symbolic (i.e. algebraic) formula manipulation, and equation solvers, such as MAPLE and MATHEMATICA. Familiar, myself, only with MAPLE, I assume that the capabilities of these two computational languages (and perhaps others) are more or less equivalent. The single most essential “solving mechanism” requirement for a design code is the ability to invert or diagonalize matrices.

### 4.5 Resemblance of lattice design to quantum mechanics

With \( y \rightarrow \psi, \) and \( K(s) \rightarrow 2m(E - U(s))/\hbar^2 \), one notes that eq. (4.1) becomes the Schrödinger equation satisfied by a stationary plane wave as the wave function for a particle of energy \( E \) in a potential \( U(s) \). With all storage ring beam particles being paraxial and all traveling at nearly the same constant speed \( v \), their longitudinal components advance in time as \( s = vt \). The further replacement \( \psi \rightarrow s - vt \) produces a traveling wave not unlike a betatron oscillation. This suggests some kind of duality between waves and particles. Actually Newton was aware of this duality
400 years ago, both experimentally and theoretically. And wave/particle duality has been around ever since.

Returning to our eqs. (4.1) and (4.5) we have another kind of duality. In a “Schrödinger-like picture”, from initial conditions \( (y_0, y'_0) \) it is natural to visualize the evolution of phase space coordinates \( (y(t), y'(t)) \) with increasing \( t \) (or \( s \)) as solving eq. (4.1) directly. \( \text{As an aside, it should be noted that the function } K(s) \text{ is assumed to be known, which means the ring lattice has already been designed.} \) But, in a Heisenberg-like picture, one can visualize initial conditions \( (y_0, y'_0) \) as parameterizing a fixed state in which \( \beta(s) \) is a particle or beam dynamic variable evolving according to eq. (4.5) or by equivalent matrix operator. Accelerator physicists are ambivalent as to whether beta functions are properties of a beam or of a lattice.

This duality may seem to be of only academic interest. Eq. (4.1) is linear and simple, and eq. (4.5) is nonlinear and complicated. On the other hand, for linearized amplitude \( a \) motion, eq. (4.5) does provide a solution in conveniently parameterized form:

\[
y(s) = a \sqrt{\beta(s)} \cos(\mu - \mu_0). \tag{4.7}
\]

Following sections provide less superficial distinctions between the approaches.

The case being made is that it is sensible to design a new lattice in a Heisenberg-like picture even if one is intending to analyse its performance primarily using a Schrödinger-like picture. Justification for this will be expanded below but, briefly, the design process is inherently nonlinear, with a vast number of initial parameters needing to be fixed, while the analysis process is, in lowest approximation, linear, with nonlinearity entering only perturbatively.

Continuing to dwell on classical (CM) and quantum (QM) duality, one notes that both disciplines require all physically measurable quantities to be real, not complex, numbers. In QM, even though wave functions are allowed to be complex, physically measurable quantities need to be represented by the (real) eigenvalues of Hermitean operators, even though Hermitean matrices or their infinite dimensional generalizations, typically have complex components.

In accelerator CM the wave functions are physically measurable particle positions and momenta, all of which need to be real. CM transfer matrices are by no means Hermitean, as can be confirmed from any transfer matrix introduced so far. Furthermore the elements of CM transfer matrices must also be measurable quantities that are necessarily real. In general, therefore, the eigenvalues of CM transfer matrices are complex. Clearly, then, even when related QM operator matrices and CM transfer matrices have identical dimensionality, they cannot, in any sense, play analogous roles. There is no “Hermitean-like” trick in CM guaranteeing that a derived \( \beta(s) \) function meets the necessary condition of being real and positive. This has to be handled in the “old-fashioned way” — when solving a quadratic equation, of selecting only real roots. Any lattice designer knows that, in practice, at first cut, the value of \( \cos \mu \), appearing in eq. (4.6), rarely lies in the rage \(-1 < \cos \mu < 1\) — as it must for ring stability — without careful fiddling of ring lattice parameters.

A feature shared by CM and QM is that they are both Hamiltonian. Though this is an exact requirement in QM, it is only an approximate requirement in CM. The reason it is only approximate is that classical mechanical systems (the only kind of mechanisms we have at our disposal) are invariably “lossy” — the Q-value (quality factor) of the highest quality resonators, though very
large compared to 1, are small compared to infinity. So there is always time reversal violation at some level in practical classical mechanics.

The nearest exception to this general statement about classical mechanics is the sort of low energy hadron accelerator under discussion in the present paper. With synchrotron radiation virtually absent, protons or deuterons can circulate losslessly for days. What guarantees this in the Courant-Snyder accelerator formalism is that the CM transfer matrices are “symplectic”, a term synonymous, in general, with “Hamiltonian”.

It is well known to accelerator physicists that transfer matrices have to be symplectic. Such physicists, occasionally, and disreputably, counter (erroneously-) calculated damping of the Courant-Snyder invariant — the quantity that symplecticity guarantees conserved — artificially “re-symplectify” the formalism in use, even at the possible cost of violating energy conservation. This issue is too esoteric to be pursued at the level of the present paper.

In passing, it can also be mentioned that, in classical mechanics, symplectic transformations preserve Poisson brackets [10]. It is also well known that the bridge between CM and QM consists, primarily, of the replacement of Poisson brackets of classical quantities by the commutators of their QM replacements.

Less well known is that it is trivially easy to invert a symplectic matrix algebraically — it need not be done numerically. It is this feature which, I hope, is sufficiently important to justify such a lengthy and abstract build-up as has been given to this point. It is the exploitation of this feature that enables flexible lattice design features to be coded easily into brief MAPLE or MATHEMATICA programs.

My lattice design program MAPLE-BSM exploits capabilities these high level computer languages have, that lower level languages do not have, to design a storage ring lattice that can store simultaneously counter-circulating frozen spin beams in a ring with superimposed electric and magnetic bending. BSM is an acronym for “Belt and Suspenders, Mutable”, with the implied meaning that the ring focusing is redundantly provided by (very weak) alternating gradient focusing provided by electrode shaping, indicated by $m < 0$, $m > 0$ labels in figure 2, along with separated function quadrupoles labelled Qf, Qd, Qir1, and Qir2. Features of the program have been mentioned but details of the program are documented separately.

5 BSM: a Belt and Suspenders, Mutable, symmetry-violation sensitive lattice

5.1 Lattice properties

A scale-independent, BSM ring beta function plot obtained with the MAPLE-BSM program is shown in figure 1, for the BSM ring layout shown in figure 2. Corresponding, scale-specific results are shown in figures 3, and 4. The ring has super-periodicity $n_c = 4$. Optics for one super-period is shown on the left in figure 2. Since each quadrant has element reversal symmetry, it is sufficient to design, and display, just one eighth of the ring. $\beta_x$ and $\beta_y$ are plotted against element indices (ordinal integers, starting at 1) in figure 1. (Barely visible) grid lines mark the boundaries between adjacent elements. One sees that the ring is very simple since the element index increases by 1 from element to element, and the figure is mirror symmetric about 10. All element names, including drift lengths, are shown.
Figure 1. $\beta_x$ and $\beta_y$ are shown plotted against element indices, for one quadrant of the full ring. With super-periodicity of 4, the other three quadrants are identical. In this plot (only) the length scale is arbitrary (within reason). In all subsequent lattice function plots the horizontal axis is $s$.

(To preserve site neutrality) the design is length scale invariant. But the length scale for the similar plot is fixed in figure 3 and the horizontal axis is correspondingly changed to longitudinal position $s$ in this and subsequent figures. (Obviously) the curve shape is distorted, but the vertical coordinates at the plotted points are unchanged. Horizontal and vertical tune advances are plotted on the right. (Note that the left figure shows one quadrant, while the right one shows only an octant.) The length scale has been selected such that the ring circumference is about 160 m; as already mentioned, this can be changed with no essential effect to the design.

In a so-called “NOMINAL” operational mode shown in figure 3, the full-ring tunes $Q_x$ and $Q_y$ are roughly equal, about 3.5. Most of the planned tests using the ring as an EDM prototype will be done in this configuration. This mode of operation is as robust as possible, as regards storage ring operational performance. Furthermore, in this configuration any influence of electrode shape focusing on the ring optics will be negligible and the electrode shapes can be treated as purely cylindrical, $m = 0$, even though they alternate between $\pm m_{in}$, where $m_{in}$ has a value, not yet fixed, but small compared to 0.1. With both tunes large compared to 1, the optical behaviour of the lattice will be essentially the same as if the bending were magnetic. Only in an EDM-EXPERIMENT mode discussed below, will the lumped quadrupole strengths be weak enough for the electrode focusing to be more nearly dominant. In this limit the ring optics deviates markedly from magnetic ring optics, because of the extra focusing provided by position dependent electric potential.

Lattice optics for an “EDM-EXPERIMENT” mode of operation is shown in figure 4. The fundamental phenomenon limiting the precision with which the proton (or any other) particle EDM can be measured is “out of plane” spin precession induced by unknown radial magnetic field acting on particle EDMs. Here “out of plane” means out of the horizontal plane containing the design, central particle, closed orbit. (Not counting subsequent averaging over symmetrically varied configurations) the most effective method for suppressing this EDM-mimicking precession, is to
Figure 2. Lattice layouts for a proposed “EDM prototype” storage ring: single quadrant (left) and full ring geometry (right). (For pictorial convenience quadrupole symbols represent neither actual quadrupole lengths nor fine-grained locations, and may also subsume sextupoles not shown.) A doublet-pair present in every straight section is broken out only in the lower (south) straight section. Increased quadrupole doublet strengths in all four long straights converts the lattice to “strong-focusing” (though not very strong by modern standards.) In any case, the total accumulated drift length is not enough for the ring to operate “below transition”. When scaling up to the eventual, full energy, all-electric ring, from four-fold to sixteen-fold symmetry, with drift lengths and bend lengths preserved (but bend angles four times less) the total circumference is to be 500 m or greater and operation will be well below transition.

suppress the average vertical separation of counter-circulating beams — like the spurious MDM induced precession, this vertical beam separation is proportional to the \( \langle B_r \rangle \) average. Suppression of this “background” EDM error can be described as the storage ring providing “self-magnetometry”.
Figure 3. The data for the figure on the left is the same as in the previous figure 1 but, with horizontal axis registering accumulating tangential coordinate $s$. Tune advances for one quadrant are plotted against $s$ on the right. Since each quadrant is mirror-symmetric it is sufficient to display just one octant (and confusing to display the accumulating tune advances). The full-ring tunes are roughly 3.5 in both planes.

For the self-magnetometry to be most precise requires the vertical focusing to be weakest possible. As stated in the figure caption, with $\beta_y$ so nearly constant, the vertical tune is accurately given by $Q_y = (2\pi)^{-1}C/\langle \beta_x \rangle$, where $C$ is the ring circumference. For ultimate EDM accuracy $Q_y$ is expected to be close to zero as possible — for example $Q_y = 0.01$.

Figure 4. This plot provides the same information as the previous two, except in a configuration optimized for EDM measurement precision. In this case the horizontal focusing is very “tame” but, for optimal EDM tune measurement, the vertical tune $Q_y$ has to be tuned toward zero. With $\beta_x$ so nearly constant, the vertical tune is accurately given by $Q_y = (2\pi)^{-1}C/\langle \beta_x \rangle$, where $C$ is the ring circumference.
One sees that ultimate EDM precision will likely require $\langle \beta_y \rangle$ values an order of magnitude larger than the, already large, value shown in figure 4. Tuning the ring lattice to achieve this by adjusting the BSM lumped quadrupole strengths will be easy; but preserving counter-circulating beams if possible at all, will not be easy. Short of subsequent averaging over equivalent configurations, this consideration is expected to set the ultimate achievable EDM precision achievable with this strategy for minimizing $\langle B_r \rangle$.

The doubly-magic proton-helion measurement, labelled (q1) and (q2) in table 1, by measuring the difference of proton or helion EDM’s indirectly cancels this source of systematic error, obviating the need for such extreme rejection of $\langle B_r \rangle$. So, for the doubly-magic measurement, the very robust NOMINAL mode of BSM operation may be sufficient.

5.2 Beam bunching preservation by a single RF accelerating cavity

With the two beams having different momenta, their velocities also differ. For both beams to be captured by the same RF cavity, their harmonic numbers have to differ. The column in table 1 labelled “best RF harmonic ratio” gives the harmonic number ratio best matching the velocity ratio of the two beams, consistent with being small enough for the RF frequency to be not too large. Typical radial discrepancies range from very small, ten’s of microns values, almost up to one millimeter. This is taken to be acceptably good matching.

5.3 Wien filter spin-tune adjustment

Superimposed electric and magnetic bending fields allow small correlated changes of $E$ and $B$ to alter the spin tune without affecting the orbit. Being uniformly-distributed, appropriately matched electric and magnetic field components added to pre-existing bend fields can act as a (mono-directional) “global Wien filter” that adjusts the spin tune without changing the closed orbit. Replacing the requirement that $\eta_E$ and $\eta_M$ sum to 1, we require $\Delta \eta_M = -\Delta \eta_E$, and obtain, using the same fractional bend formalism, for a Wien filter of length $L_W$ the spin tune shift caused by a Wien filter of length-strength product $E L_W$ is given by

$$\Delta Q_W = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1 + G}{\beta^2 \gamma^2} \frac{E L_W}{m c^2 / e}. \tag{5.1}$$

For “global” Wien filter action by the bends of the entire ring, $L_W$ is to be replaced by $2\pi r_0$. Note though that, even in this case, the Wien filter produces the pure tune shift given by eq. (5.1) only for one of two counter-circulating beams; presumably the primary beam. The secondary beam closed orbit will vary as the primary beam tune is adjusted, or stabilized.

5.4 “MDM comparator trap” operation

This section digresses temporarily to describe the functioning of dual beams in the same ring as a “spin tune comparator trap”. A “trap” is usually visualized as a “table-top apparatus”. For this paper “table-top radii” of 10, 20, or 50, meters (or rather curved sectors of these radii, expanded by straight sections of comparable length) are considered.

As mentioned previously, the electron MDM has been determined with 13 decimal point accuracy. Though other magnetic moments are also known to high accuracy, compared to the
electron their accuracies are inferior by three orders of magnitude or more. One purpose for a spin-tune-comparator trap would be to “transfer” some of the electron’s precision to the measurement of other magnetic dipole moments (MDM’s). For example, the proton’s MDM could perhaps be determined to almost the current accuracy of the electron’s.

Different (but not necessarily disjoint) co- or counter-circulating beam categories include different particle type, opposite sign, dual speed, and nearly pure-electric or pure-magnetic bending. Cases in which the bending is nearly pure-electric are easily visualized. The magnetic bending ingredient can be treated perturbatively. This is especially practical for the 14.5 MeV electron-electron and the 233 MeV proton-proton counter-circulating combinations.

Eversmann et al. [11] have demonstrated the capability of measuring spin tunes with high accuracy. By measuring the spin tunes of beams circulating in the same ring (preferably, but not necessarily simultaneously) the MDM’s of the two beams can be accurately compared.

6 Doubly-frozen spin EDM measurement examples and methods

6.1 Major EDM developments from the past

Important EDM advances that have been made in past can be listed: the storage ring “frozen spin concept” according to which, for a given particle type, there can be a kinetic energy for which the beam spins are “frozen” in a storage ring — for example always pointing along the line of flight, Farley et al. [12]; the recognition of all-electric rings with “magic” frozen spin kinetic energies (14.5 MeV for electrons, 233 MeV for protons) as especially appropriate for EDM measurement, Semertzidis et al. [13]. The “Koop spin wheel” mechanism in which a small radial magnetic field \( B_r \) applied to an otherwise frozen spin beam causes the beam polarization to “roll” around a locally-radial axis [14], (systematic precession around any axis other than this would cancel any accumulating EDM effect). Koop [16] has also suggested simultaneous circulation of different particle types, though not with the detailed lattice design nor the doubly-frozen spin frequency-domain comagnetometry averaging analysed in the present paper. Spin coherence times long enough for accumulated EDM-induced precession to be measureably large has been demonstrated by Eversmann et al. [11]; “Phase-locking” the beam polarization, which allows the beam polarization to be precisely manipulated externally, has been demonstrated by Hempelmann et al. [17].

6.2 Cancelation of unknown radial magnetic field \( \langle \Delta B_r \rangle \)

By design, the only intentionally non-zero field components in the proposed ring would be the radial electric component \( E_x \), and ideally-superimposed magnetic bending would be provided by a vertical magnetic field component \( B_y \). Routine initial cancelation of \( \langle \Delta B_r \rangle \) can be performed using unpolarized counter-circulating beams by measuring the differential vertical separation of the two beams, which is similarly proportional to \( \langle B_y \rangle \).

Since the dominant systematic EDM measurement error is proportional to \( \langle \Delta B_r \rangle \), in principle this cancelation is all that is needed to eliminate the dominant systematic error. But the effectiveness of this cancelation depends on vertical position sensitivity of the beam position monitors (BPMs) and on the restoring force of the lattice focusing. As illustrated in figure 4, this “self-magnetometer sensitivity” can be increased only until beam lifetime reduction due to the vertical particle loss becomes unacceptably large.
6.3 Koop spin wheel EDM determination

By design, the only field components in the proposed ring would be the radial electric component \(E_x\), and ideally-superimposed magnetic bending would be provided by a vertical magnetic field component \(B_y\). There also needs to be a tuneable radial magnetic field \(B_r \equiv B_x\), to compensate any unintentional and unknown radial magnetic field and to control the roll-rate of the Koop spin wheel.

For a “Koop spin wheel” rolling around the radial \(x\)-axis, notes by I. Koop [14] provide formulas for the roll frequencies (expressed here in SI units, with \(B\rho\) in T.m),

\[
\Omega_{Bx}^x = -\frac{1}{B\rho} \left(\frac{1}{\gamma} + G\right) cB_x, \quad \text{and} \quad \Omega_{\text{EDM}}^x = -\eta \frac{1}{B\rho} \left(\frac{E_x}{c} + \beta B_y\right),
\]

(6.1)

\(\Omega_{\text{EDM}}^x\) is the foreground, EDM-induced, out-of-plane precession frequency. \(\Omega_{Bx}^x\) is a roll frequency around the same radial axis, induced by a radially magnetic field \(B_x\) acting on the MDM. \(cB\rho = pc/(qe) \equiv pc/(Ze)\) is the standard accelerator physics specification of storage ring momentum. The factor \(\eta\) expresses the electric dipole moment \(d = \eta \mu\) in terms of the magnetic moment \(\mu\) of the beam particles.

Figure 7.28 in CERN EDM Feasability Report [4] illustrates a “calibration mode” in which the linear dependence of \(\Omega_{Bx}^x\) on \(B_x\) is determined with high precision using the first of eqs. (6.1) and a “measurement mode” by which \(\eta\) is determined using the second of eqs. (6.1).

Meanwhile, the secondary beam is locked to an unambiguous frequency, depending only on the \(cB_0\) and \(E_0\) values. Like \(B_x\), these bending fields can therefore be set, reversed, and reset to high accuracy, based purely on RF and precession frequencies measurements. This resettability is expected to permit the calibration mode determinations to be performed with high “frequency domain” precision. These procedures are expected to reduce the systematic EDM error by 2 or 3 orders of magnitude beyond that established by the self-magnetometry described in section 6.2 along with the self-magnetometry implied by figure 4.

6.4 Some practical configurations

Kinematic parameters for some practical doubly-frozen configurations are listed in table 1. Bend radius \(r_0\) could be increased beneficially, except for cost, in all cases, but not necessarily decreased. The nominal all-electric, frozen spin proton case, shown in the top row, assumes \(r_0 = 50\) m. This futuristic, large and expensive, 232.8 MeV frozen spin proton ring has been referred to as the “Holy Grail” facility. The remaining entries assume radius \(R_0 = 12\) m, consistent with inexpensive, almost immediate application, in the COSY, Juelich beam hall. Proton and deuteron examples are given in a companion paper, presently in preparation.

Master beam (columns on the left) spin tunes are always exactly zero. Spin tunes of secondary beams are given in the final column. In all cases they have been calculated closely enough to guarantee they can be tuned exactly to zero. “Harmonic ratio” entries indicate optimal RF harmonic number ratios for matching the circumferences of the CW and CCW orbits. The fact that these circumferences are not quite equal, will require the EDM measurements to be corrected accordingly.

6.5 Estimation of MDM and EDM measurement precisions

The “dipole moment comparator” name proposed for the class of storage rings described in this paper intentionally applies to both magnetic and electric dipole moments. Strictly speaking, since the
Table 1. Sample beam-pair combinations for the EDM experiments discussed in this paper; master beam entries on the left, secondary beam on the right. “(b)”, “(c1)”, etc. are case labels, copied from a previous report [15]. Dual rows allow either particle type to be designated “primary beam”. Overhead tildes ~ indicate values known to much greater accuracy, but truncated for display in this table. Candidate beam particle types are “e+”, “p”, “d”, “t”, “h” that could label positron, proton, deuteron, triton, or helion rows. Proton and deuteron examples are given in a companion paper. Bend radii, particle type, and kinetic energies are given in the first three columns. There is no fundamental dependence of spin tune $Q_s$ on $r_0$, but $r_0$ values have been chosen to limit $|E_0|$ to realistic values. All but the top entry assume bend radius $r_0 = 12$ m, but the required electric field $E_0$ may be unrealistically large in some cases.

| label         | $r_0$ | CW beam | best RF harmonic ratio | QS1 | KE | E0 [MV/m] | B0 [T] | $\eta_E$ | CCW beam | best RF harmonic ratio | KE2 [MeV] | pc2 [GeV] | QS2 |
|---------------|-------|---------|------------------------|-----|----|-----------|--------|---------|----------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----|
| (b)           | 50    | p       | 1/1                    | 0/1 | 232.8 | 8.386 | 1.6e-08 | 1.0      | p         | 1/1                    | 232.8     | -0.7007   | 0/1 |
| (c1)          | 12    | p       | 33/115                 | 0/1 | 86.63 | 10.592 | 0.0268 | 0.766    | e+            | 82/115     | 30.09     | -0.0306 | 0/1 |
| (c2)          | 12    | e+      | 82/115                 | 0/1 | 30.09 | 10.592 | -0.0268 | 4.155    | p         | 33/115                 | 86.64     | -0.4124   | 0/1 |
| (q1)          | 12    | h       | 85/228                 | 0/1 | 39.24 | 4.387 | -0.0230 | 1.351    | p         | 143/228                | 38.59     | -0.2719   | 0/1 |
| (q2)          | 12    | p       | 143/228                | 0/1 | 38.59 | 4.387 | 0.0230  | 0.6958   | h         | 85/228                 | 39.24     | -0.4711   | 0/1 |

Dimensionalities of these quantities are different, for them to be commensurate requires a qualification defining comparably strong electric and magnetic field values, such as $E=cB$ in MKS units. Even with this qualification, because parity and time reversal symmetries suppress EDMs so strongly, it is not appropriate to compare the fractional accuracies of MDMs and EDMs. It is more nearly appropriate to compare the absolute precisions of MDM and EDM measurement.

Once this limitation is accepted, it becomes sensible to concentrate on the precision with which EDMs can be measured — any measurably non-zero EDM value would imply a measurement error which — applied to any MDM (except the electron’s [5]) — would represent a fractional MDM determination smaller than current limits. For brevity then, it is sufficient to discuss only the precision with which elementary particle EDMs can be measured.

The top entry in table 1 applies to any proposed proton EDM measurement in which 232.8 MeV frozen spin proton beams counter-circulate simultaneously in a ring with all-electric bending, as proposed, for example, in references [13, 18], or [20]. The achievable proton EDM systematic error in these papers is said to not exceed $10^{-29}$ e-cm. It is the unknown maximum average radial magnetic field that establishes this limit in the first two cases. An independent re-analysis of this class by Valeri Lebedev [19] stated that “it is not feasible for the average radial magnetic field to be suppressed below 1 nG — below the assumed value by about 4 orders of magnitude.” The PTR ring displayed in figure 2 has been proposed [4] as a prototype for the all-electric 232.8 MeV proton ring [18] as well “hybrid” rings with magnetic focusing [20].
An all-electric ring of our EDM comparator design applied to the proton/proton case measures the difference of the proton EDM with itself — which is, of course, zero; this will provide a useful consistency test. When applied to the proton/helion case, it is the difference of proton and helion EDM’s that is measured. What is special about this case is that the dominant systematic error cancels, leaving a statistical error limit of about $10^{-30}$ e-cm as dominant error. Since the difference of vanishingly small quantities is vanishingly small, any measurably large result would provide evidence of physics beyond the standard model.

To achieve such a small statistical error will require averaging runs with proton and helion beams interchanged. The precision with which magnetic field reversal can be achieved with the required precision is controlled digitally by simultaneously phase locking the spin tunes of both simultaneously counter-circulating beams. This strategem exploits the particle magnetic dipoles as perfect stabilizing gyroscopes for the establishment, stabilization, reproducibility and field reversability of \textit{in-plane precession} to enable the measurement of \textit{out-of-plane precession} induced by any non-vanishing EDMs. Under the near-certain assumption that the positron EDM is negligibly small, the proton/positron entry in table 1 will provide a direct measurement of the proton EDM at the same $10^{-30}$ e-cm accuracy level.

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