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Charged and Neutral Particles Channeling Phenomena

Observation of high-efficiency axial channeling of high-energy protons in a bent crystal

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Outlook

- Crystal preparation
- Crystal characterization
 - > Axial channeling with positive charges
 - Axial channeling with negative charges
 - Search for MVR in a single crystal
- 🖉 🍾 Conclusions

Experiment H8RD22



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New kind of crystals

An application of crystals would be the collimation of beam halo in next generation of hadron machines (e.g. the LHC)



It demands a crystal with a roughness lower than 100 nm on the lateral faces of the crystal

Particles in the halo drift outwards at the rate of ~2 nm per turn. Since the tune is not integer, the particles will hit the crystal every ~10-20 turns and thereby the first impact parameter of the particles onto the crystal will be in the range of ~100 nm (courtesy of V. Previtali and R. Assmann)

Anisotropic etching



Anistropic chemical etching is a feasible way to realize sub-surface damage free crystals entirely by wet chemical methods

Etch rate on different silicon planes for KOH 20% at 40 °C

(100)	(110)	(111)
7.1 μm/h	10.7 μm/h	Negligible



Photolythography



a) (110) silicon wafer as starting material:

b) LPCVD deposition of silicon nitride thin layer

c) Silicon nitride patterning

d) Etching of Si in KOH solution, silicon nitride acts as masking layer

e) Silicon strips release

f) Removal of silicon nitride

Fabrication of crystals



Fabrication of either a multistrip or a batch of strips is possible through wet chemical methods

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Structural characterization

Lateral surface (AFM)



High-quality surfaces achieved via ACE

Entry surface (HRTEM)

Crystal bending





 Crystal bending is accomplished through anticlastic deformation

Optical characterization

Optical profilometry with 2 nm resolution





On-beam characterization



- ST9 crystal was characterized with 400 GeV protons in the external line H8 in the SPS
- Planar channeling efficiency is very high

On-beam characterization



 Single-pass efficiency of planar channeling exceeds 75% and 85% with quasi-parallel particles



Crystal-size scaling

2006 -> 2 mm strip ST9 2007 -> 1 mm strip ST10 2008 -> 0.5 mm strip ST14

Observation of highefficiency planar channeling and volume reflection in a 0.5 mm single silicon strip. New miniaturization limit reached.



Radius of curvature is *R*=4 m Tsyganov radius is *R*=0.6 m

Channeling is the confinement of charged particles traveling through a crystal within atomic planes (planar or axial modes)

Channeling occurs as the trajectory of a particle forms a angle lower than the critical angle

$$\psi_c = \left(\frac{4Z_1Z_2e^2}{pvd}\right)^{1/2}$$



Hyperchanneling

Doughnut scattering

AC in a bent crystal

- AC in a bent crystal was studied by A.M. Taratin and S.A. Vorobiev [Pis'ma Zh. Tekh.Fiz. 4 (1978) 947] as a method to steer particles.
- The simulation relying on binary-collision model demonstrated wide spectrum of deflection up to full bending.
 - Deflection was ascribed mainly to doughnut scattering rather than to hyperchanneled particles



Axial bending for the <110> axis in silicon. The crystal was bent 3.1 mrad in (a) and 6.7 mrad in (b) A. Baurichter et al, NIM B **119** (1996) 172



Particles subjected to hyperchanneling along the <110> atomic string

Axial bending for the <110> axis in silicon. The crystal was bent 3.1 mrad in (a) and 6.7 mrad in (b). In case (a) it resulted in $\alpha = 34.6$

Greenenko-Shul'ga condition



450GeV proton beam angular distribution at the exit of a bent silicon crystal with the curvature radius R=30 m near (110) axis: (a) /=3 mm; α =0.9; (b) /=12 mm; α =3.6; (c) /=48 mm; α =14.4

A.A. Greenenko, N.F. Shul'ga, NIM B 173 (2001) 178

Search for axial channeling



- ✤ 400 GeV protons at H8
- Beam divergence was 8 μrad
- Planar channeling is achieved first
- Scanning with the cradle
- Near the axis the "Christmas tree" is obtained
- On the axis, all the spots collapse into a single spot

Approaching the <111> axis

Bending was imparted to achieve $\alpha=0.126$



Axial channeling



Summary



- Particles start interacting with the
- potential of AC <111>
- AC begins deflecting the particles
- Partial feed-in of skew planes occurs (α<<1)

AC efficiency



- Efficiency of axial channeling is larger than 30%
- Its capability to deflect particles toward one side is about 90%
- Hyperchanneling contributed to about 2% according to the theory

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Channeling with negative particles



- Experiment in the external line H4 at the SPS - CERN
- Mixture of μ⁻ and π at 150 GeV
- Beam divergence about
 30 μrad
- Crystal ST10 (1 mm along the beam)

Planar channeling and VR



Observation of: •<u>planar channeling</u> •<u>volume reflection</u> (planar channeling efficiency about 23%)



Axial channeling



It opens up new possibilities to manipulate negatively charged particles beams Observation of <u>axial</u> <u>channeling</u> with negative hadrons



Multiple volume reflection in a single crystal



A crystal axis is the intersection of several planes

If a particle beam impinges onto the crystal at appropiate angle, it is subject to volume reflections from subsequent planes

Proposed by V. Tikhomirov PLB **655** (2007) 5

Multiple volume reflections



 Near-axis condition with ST9 crystal
 Observation of volume reflection by skew planes

Crystal for MVR

(a)

<110>

0.5

70

р

<111>

(b)

↑z

p¹,<111>

 θ_{v}

For observation of MVR, the optimal orientation of the crystal with respect to beam is

$$\theta_h = \frac{\theta_v}{2}; \theta_v = \frac{\theta}{2}$$

 θ = 400 µrad being the bending angle

Observation of MVR



Clear observation of multiple volume reflection in a single strip crystal

Very high deflection efficiency, acceptance range to be measured

Systematic study in 2009

Conclusions

 Fabrication of crystals for channeling
 Observation of high-efficiency axial channeling with protons

Observation of axial channeling with negative charges

Observation of MVR with protons

AC and MVR as new schemes for collimation in hadron machines other than PC and VR



Thank you for attention!