

POSSIBLE REDUCTION OF TRANSITION ENERGY IN THE SPS

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Reducing the transition energy

■ Transition energy reduction benefits

- Instability thresholds (e.g. microwave, TMCI) are usually linear with the slippage factor,

$$\eta = \frac{1}{\gamma_t^2} - \frac{1}{\gamma^2}$$

i.e. can be increased by lowering transition energy (almost quadratically for high energies)

- Higher slippage factor translates to faster longitudinal motion, i.e. faster damping times for instabilities and longitudinal beam manipulation
- For constant synchrotron frequency, increasing slippage factor allows lowering RF voltage (but larger bunch length)
- High intensity beams can be injected in the SPS above transition avoiding losses and operational complexity of transition jump scheme

A very interesting option for reaching and building necessary parameter margin in order to achieve ultimate LHC beam density and beyond (LHC upgrade).

Transition energy manipulation



- Transition energy (or momentum compaction factor) is defined as

$$\frac{1}{\gamma_t^2} = \alpha_p = \frac{1}{C} \oint \frac{D(s)}{\rho(s)} ds$$

- The higher the dispersion oscillation in the bends, the lower the transition energy



Quadrupoles

- Note also that, for FODO cells, $\gamma_t \approx Q_x$, meaning that lowering the transition energy means lowering the horizontal tune

Past proposals: Extra quadrupoles



P. Collier (ed.),
CERN/SL/97-07/DI, 1997

- Preliminary studies suggesting introducing 2 pairs of small quadrupoles evenly spaced in all SPS arcs
- If separated by $\mu_x, \mu_y = (2k + 1)\pi$, there is no effect in the tune and optics (every two cells for minimizing orbit distortion)
- Other applications include raising transition energy at extraction (shortening LHC bunches), faster transition jump, smoothing dispersion (increasing momentum aperture) or tune feedback loop

K. Cornelis, Chamonix 1999

- Series of investigations were necessary for qualifying the feasibility of the scheme including machine experiments with “resonant tune” of 24 in the SPS

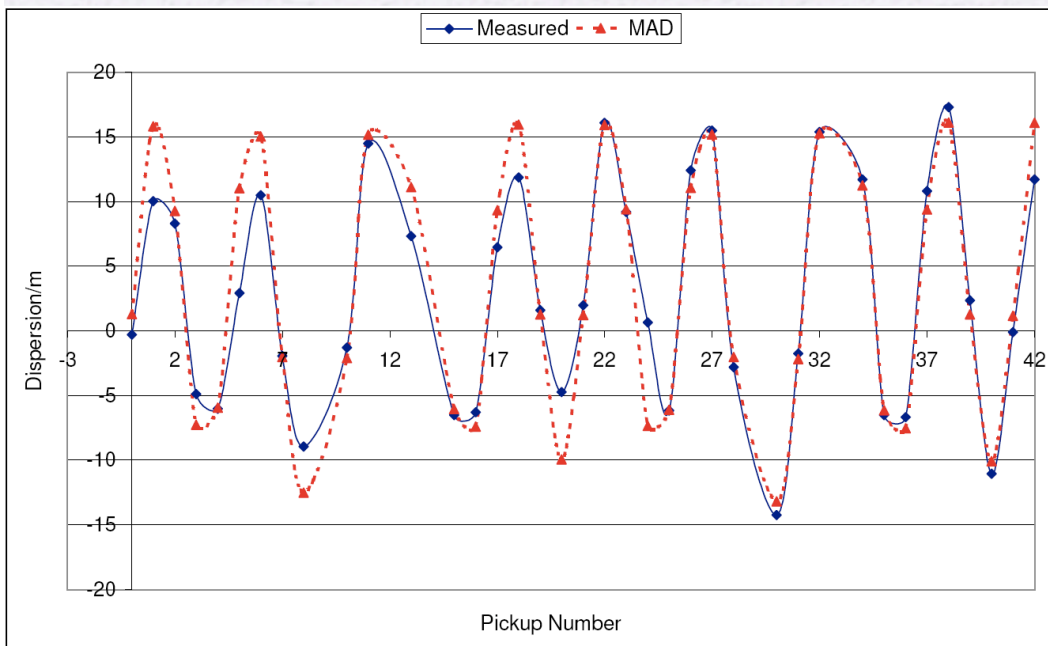
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| <i>Maximum Gradient, G</i> | 7 | T/m |
| <i>Field Length, L</i> | 0.3 | m |
| <i>Inner Radius, r</i> | 44 | mm |
| <i>Ampere Turns, NI</i> | 5600 | At |
| <i>Coil Conductor (water cooled)</i> | 8x8 | mm ² |
| <i>Coil Length, l</i> | 35 | m |
| <i>Coil resistance, R</i> | 58 | mΩ |
| <i>Dissipated Power, P</i> | 2.3 | kW |
| <i>Power Supply</i> | 12V, 200A | |

Resonant tune



G. Arduini et al., CERN/SL-Note 98-001 (MD), 1998

- By setting the SPS integer tune to a multiple of 6, large dispersion wave can be introduced (dispersion becomes even negative) by overall reducing transition energy
- Successfully establishing cycle in the SPS and measuring dispersion very close to the one of MAD
- 3-fold increase of the slippage factor can be achieved (model)
- “Difficult” beam conditions



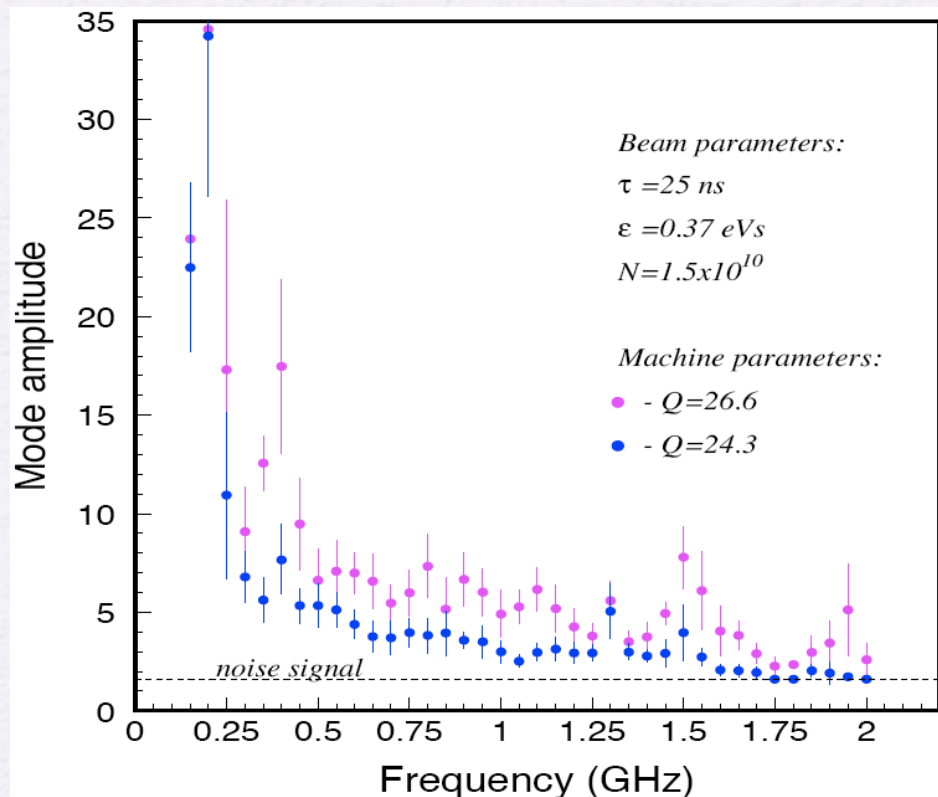
| Q_h | Q_v | γ_{tr} | η (10^{-3}) |
|-------|-------|---------------|----------------------|
| 24.18 | 24.22 | 18.54 | 1.61 |
| 24.29 | 24.32 | 19.59 | 1.30 |
| 26.62 | 26.58 | 23.23 | 0.551 |

Lower transition and microwave instability



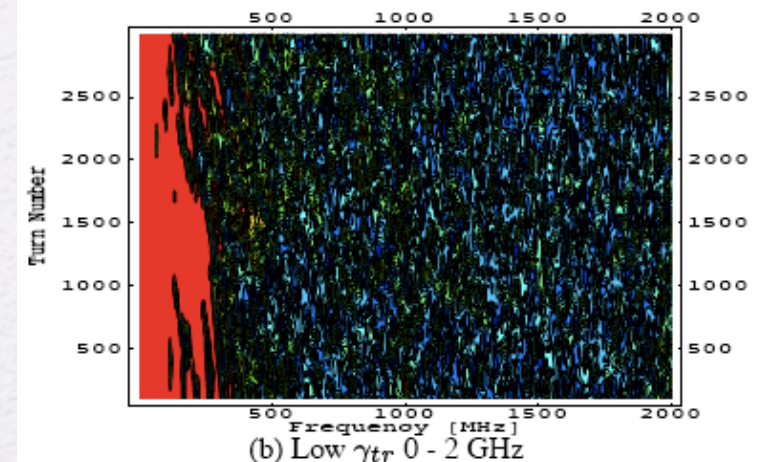
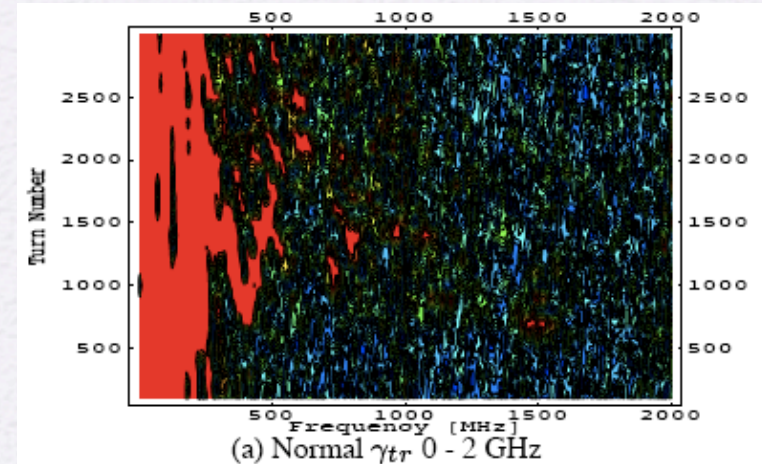
T. Bohl et al., EPAC 1998

- Machine experiments at the SPS showed reduction of the unstable modes amplitudes (apart from 200MHz) by a factor of 1.5–2.5 when running with lower transition energy



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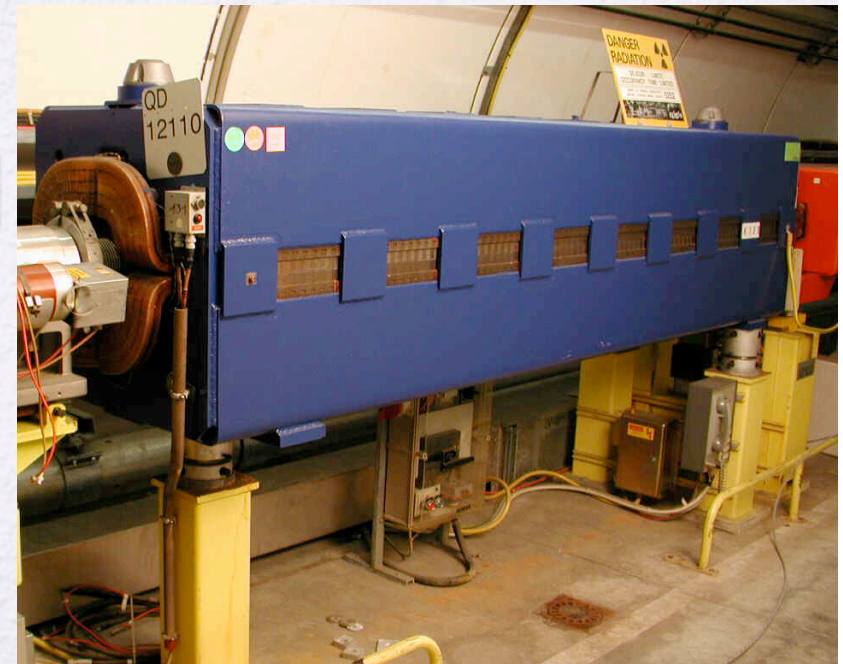
SPS quadrupoles



- 216 quadrupoles (102 QF, 100 QD, 6 QFA and 8 QDA)
- Maximum gradient of 22T/m, corresponding to a normalized gradient of 0.01466m^{-2}
- Normal operation necessitates almost the full gradient @ 450 GeV

D. Tommasini CERN/TE-Note-2010-003

| | |
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| Number of magnets | 216 |
| Year of 1 st operation | 1976 |
| Maximum gradient [T/m] | 22 |
| Physical vertical aperture [mm] | 88 |
| Yoke assembly [Solid,Laminated,Welded,Glued] | L,W |
| Coil technology [Copper,Aluminium,Glass-epoxy,Mica,Other] | C,G |
| Maximum voltage to ground [V] | 3450 |
| Operation | Cycled |
| Maximum cooling water velocity [m/s] | 3.6 |
| Operational temperature [C°] | 40 |



SPS sextupoles



M. Giesch, CERN/SPS/80-3/AMS, 1980

| MAIN PARAMETERS OF SEXTUPOLES | | LSFN | LSDN |
|-------------------------------|---|-------|-------|
| Basic | : Nominal rms current [A] | 350 | 350 |
| | Peak Current [A] | 500 | 450 |
| | * Strength at peak current | | |
| | 1) Sextup. $\int a_3 d\ell$ ($a_3 = B/r^2 = B''/2$) [T/m] | 85.8 | 176.6 |
| * Magnetic length | [m] | 0.435 | 0.426 |
| | Aperture, radius of inscr.circle [mm] | 60.7 | 44.0 |
| Core | : Length [m] | 0.4 | 0.4 |

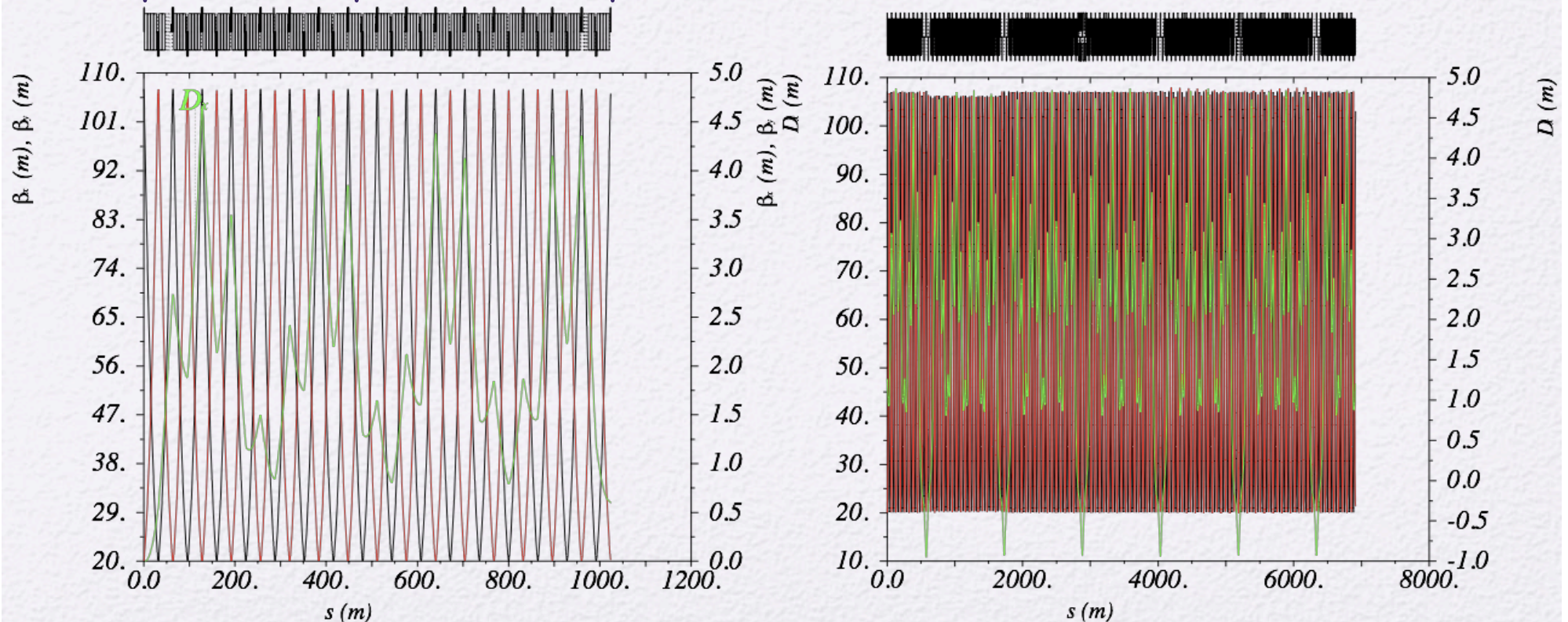
- 54 “focusing” and 54 “defocusing” sextupoles in two (three for F) families (24 and 30)
- Maximum normalized sextupole strength of 0.13m^{-3} for LSFs and 0.28m^{-3} for LSDs
- Around 80% and 60% in operational conditions
- Other elements (correctors, skew quadrupoles, octupoles, extraction elements...) need also to be checked



Resonant arc: A different approach



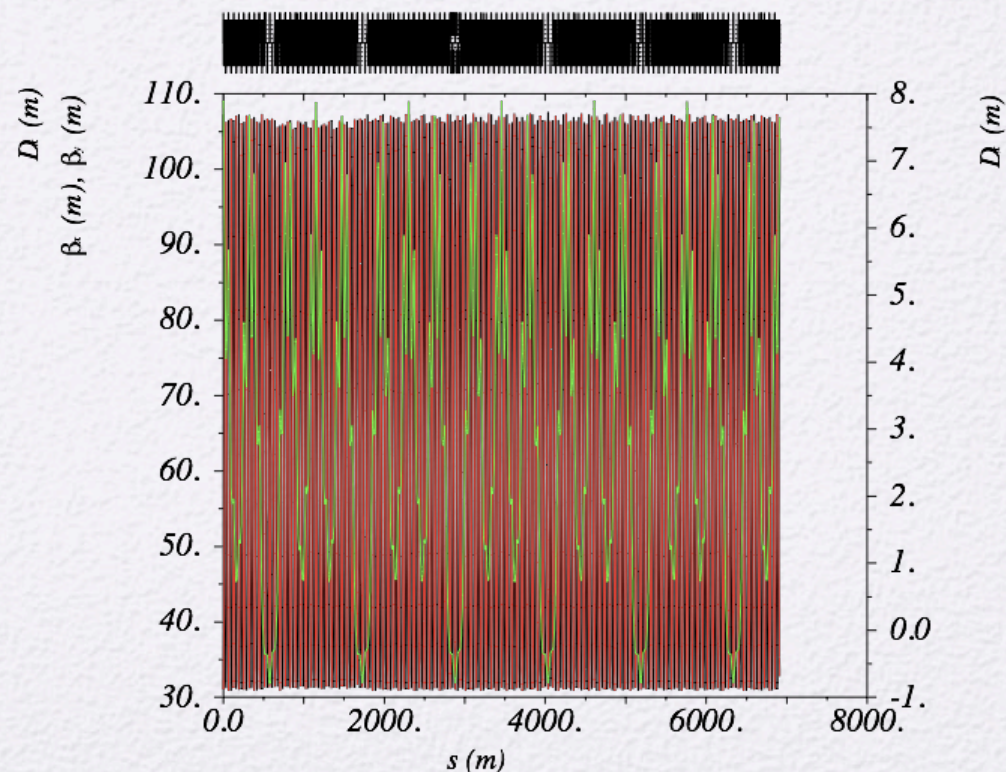
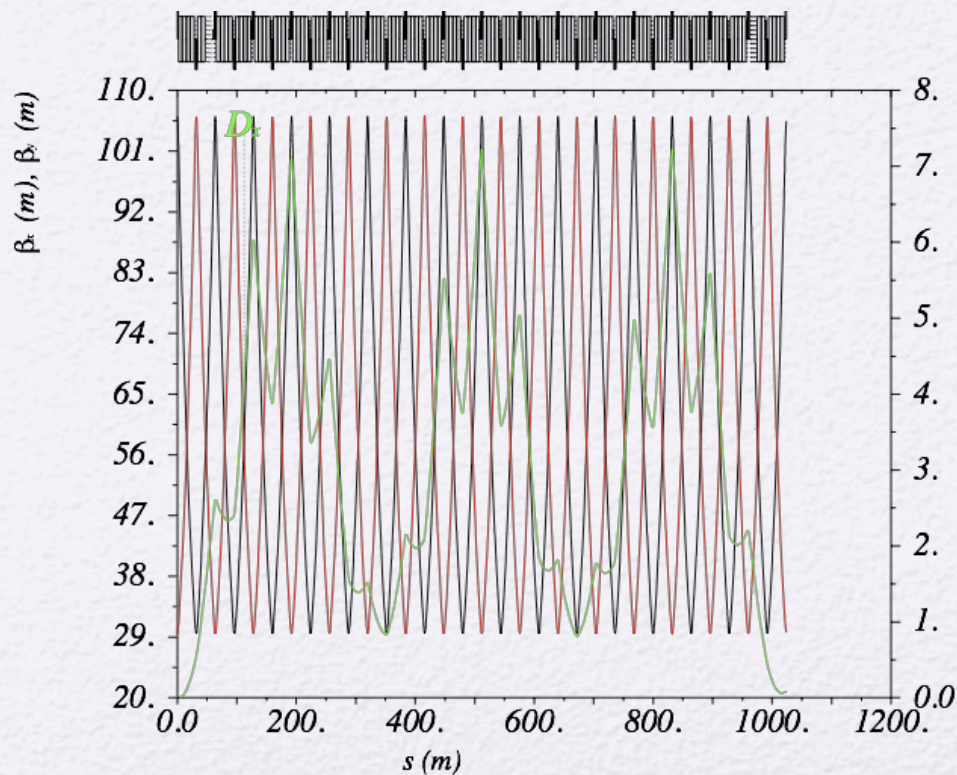
- The SPS arc horizontal phase advance can be tuned to a multiple of 2π (phase advance of the cell a multiple of $1/16$)
- In that way, dispersion is almost suppressed (small perturbation due to missing bends at arc extremities)
- Operational point at cell phase advance of around $4/16 = 0.25 = \pi/2$





Resonant arc: Cell phase advance of 3/16

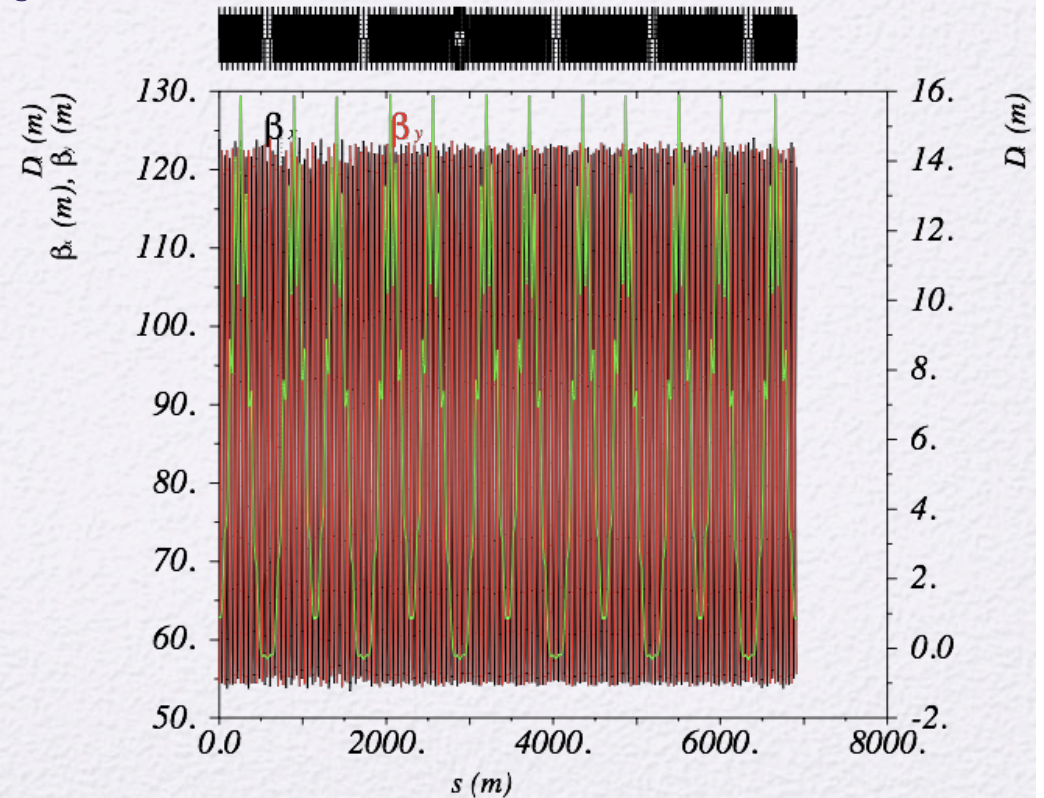
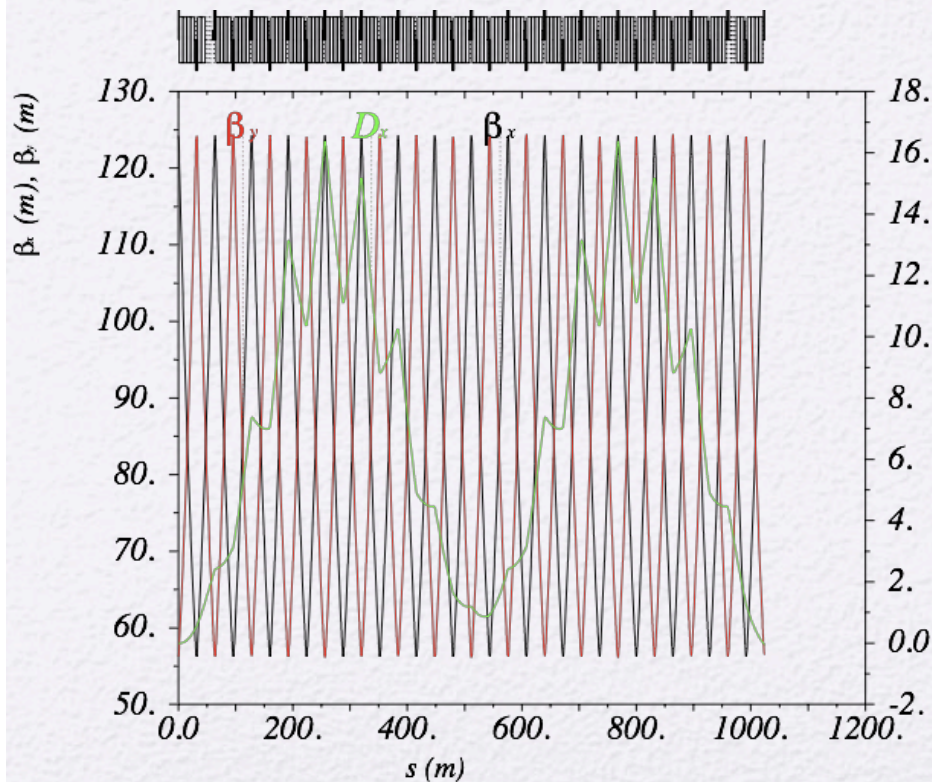
- Very smooth optics for cell phase advance of 3/16
- Ring tunes of 20.25 shown here, but vertical tune can be varied to different integers
- Dispersion max. slightly increased to 8m (from 5m) but beta max. below 110m
- Quad. strengths reduced by almost 30%
- Same trend for natural chromaticity (-23) and chromaticity sextupole strengths
- Transition energy reduced to 18 (from 23), i.e. slippage factor increased by a factor of 3.5





Resonant arc: Cell phase advance of 2/16

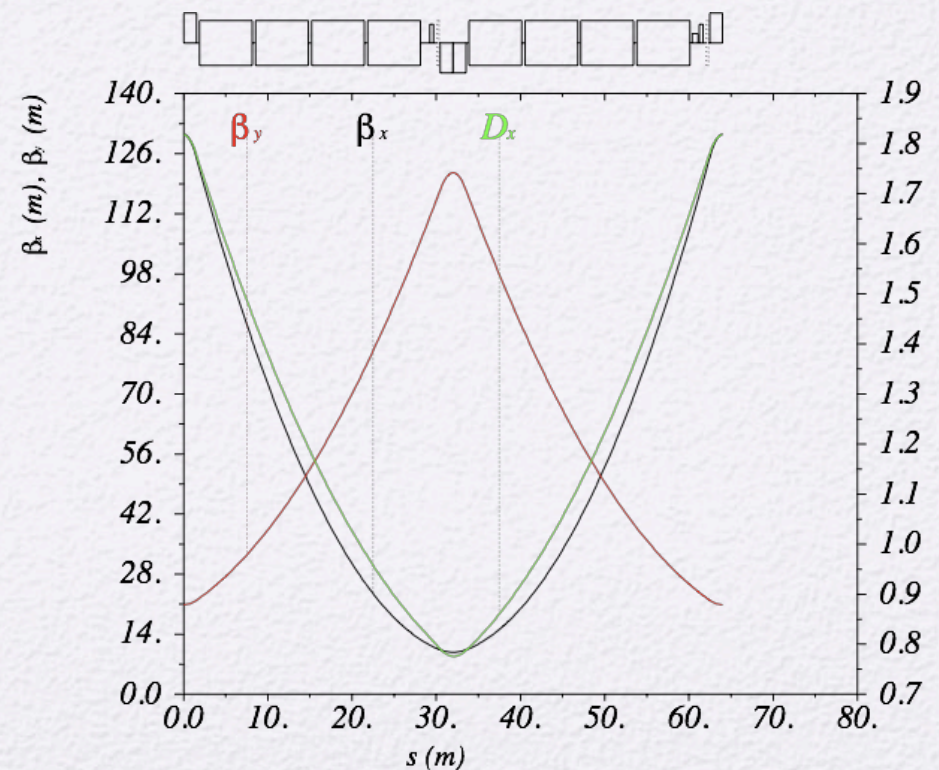
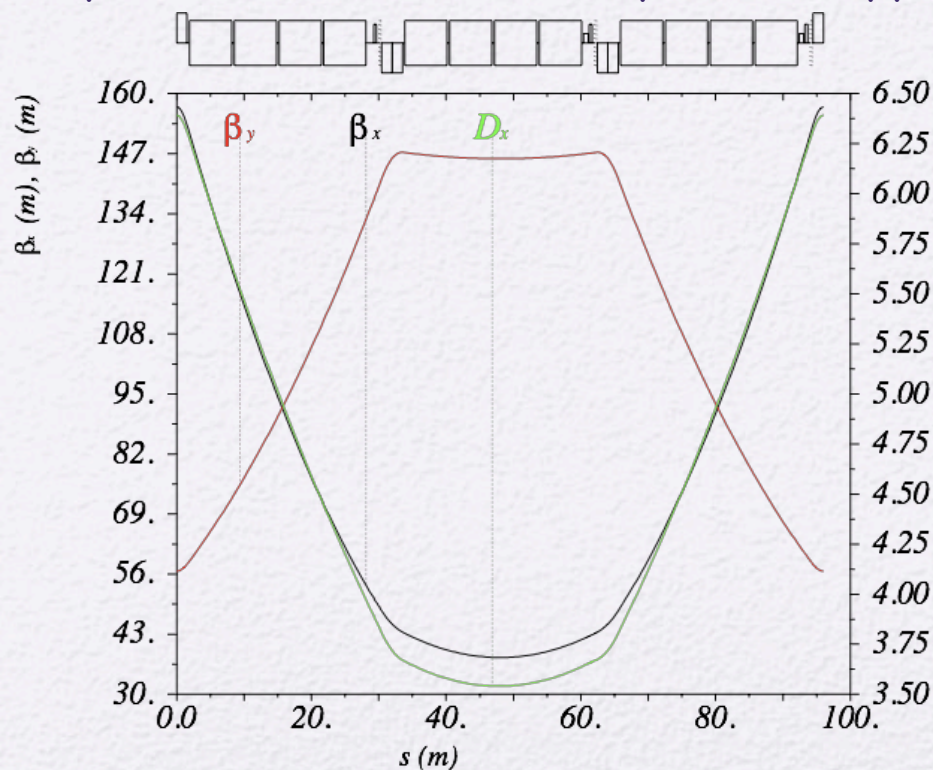
- Smooth optics for cell phase advance of 2/16
- Ring tunes of 13.8, with dispersion max. at 16m (can be further reduced) and beta max. around 120m
- Quad. strengths reduced by 50%
- Very low natural chromaticity of -14 (from -33) and chromaticity sextupole strengths
- Transition energy reduced to 12.6, i.e. slippage factor increased by a factor of 11



The FODODOFO cell



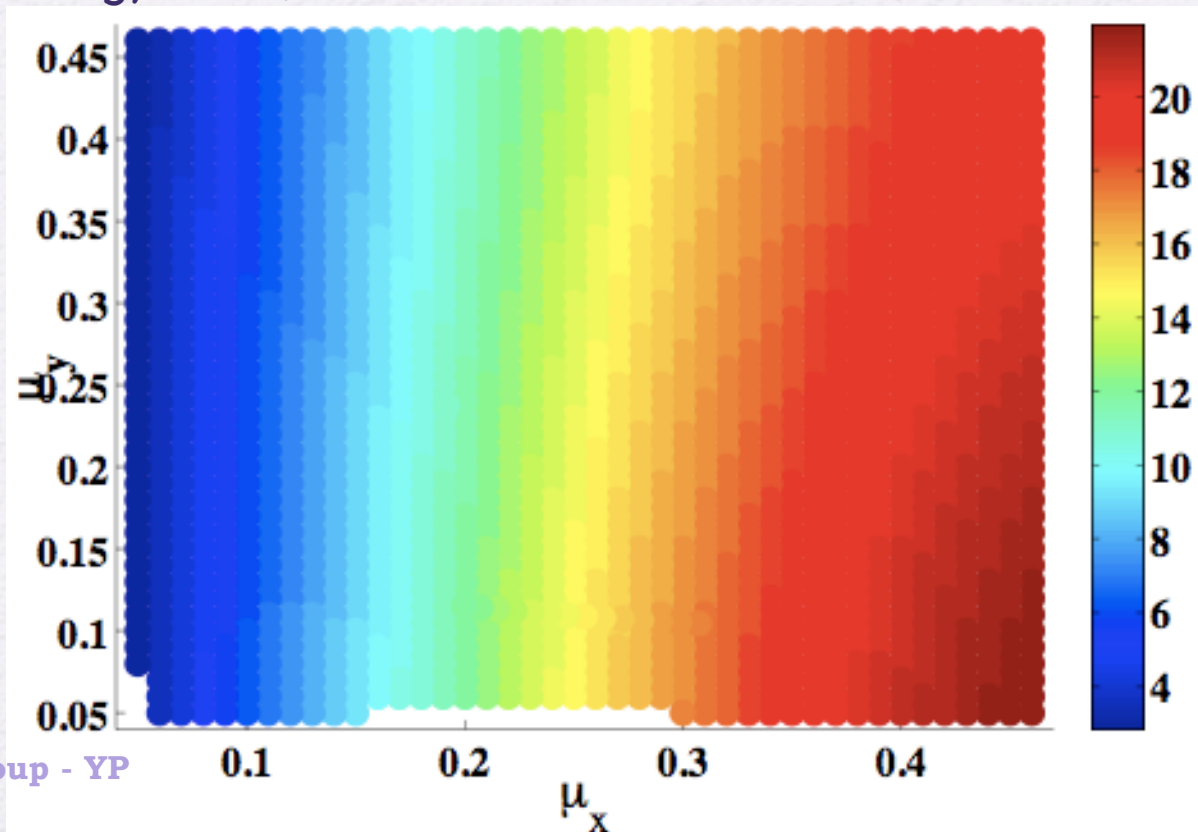
- By flipping the polarity of the last two quadrupoles in 2 consecutive arc cells (from FODOFODO to FODODOFO), a larger dispersion oscillation is produced, providing lower transition energy (lowering overall arc phase advance)
- The optics is quite smooth and tunable, although beta functions get slightly larger
- Necessitates bipolar power supplies in all quads and some additional ones to provide flexibility for dispersion suppression



Transition energy dependence



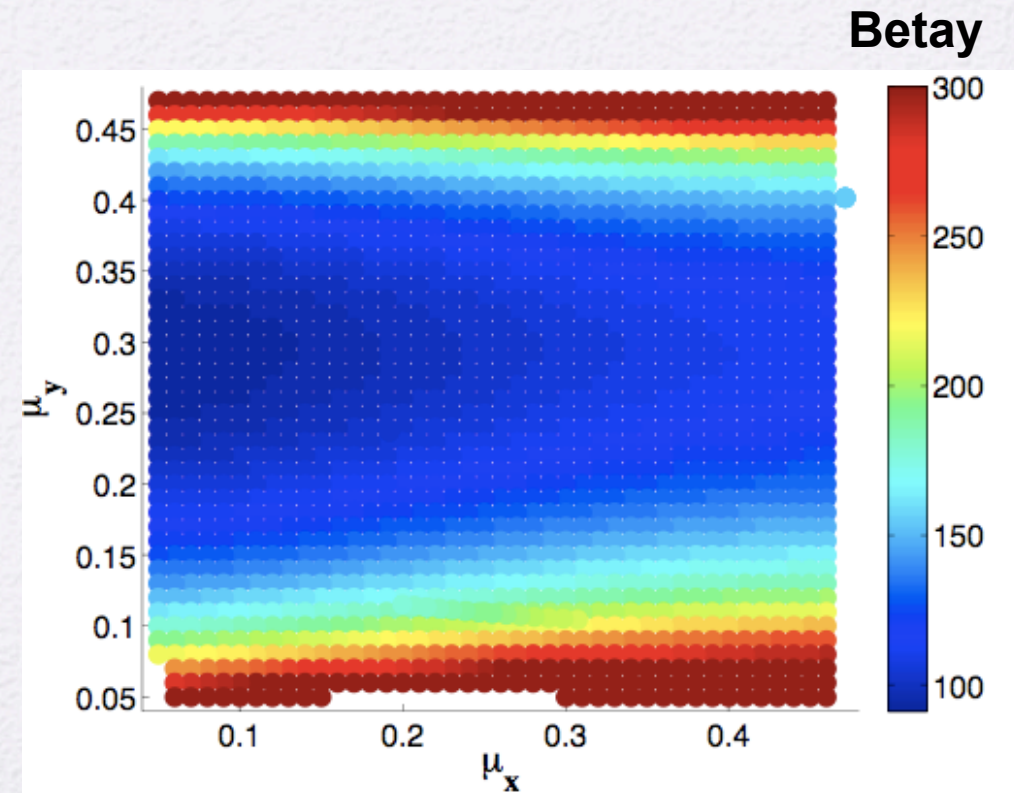
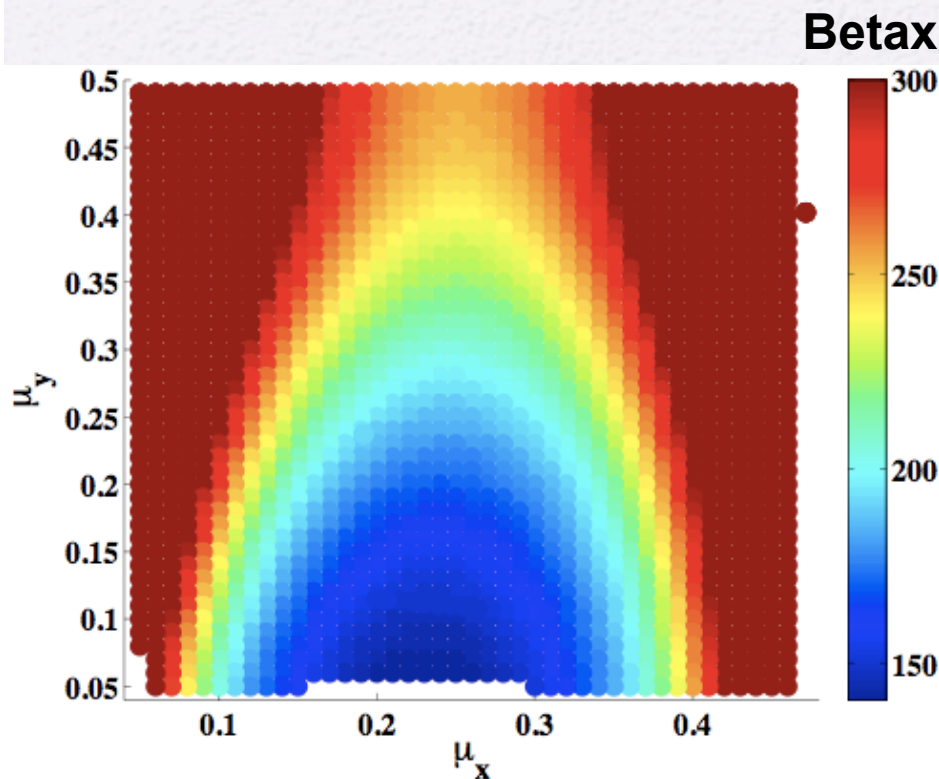
- Transition energy between 4 to above 20
- Lower transition energy for lower horizontal phase advances, as expected
- Almost no dependence on vertical phase advance
- Good compromise at phase advances of around 0.2/cell in both planes (transition energy of 12)



Beta functions



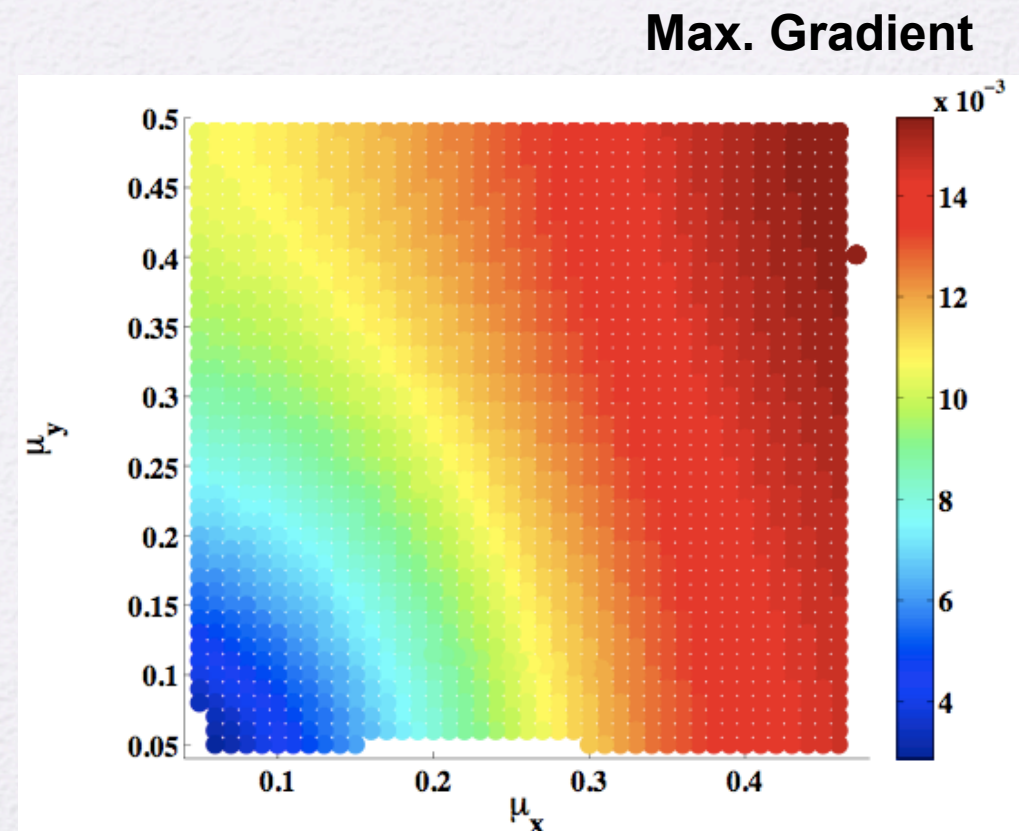
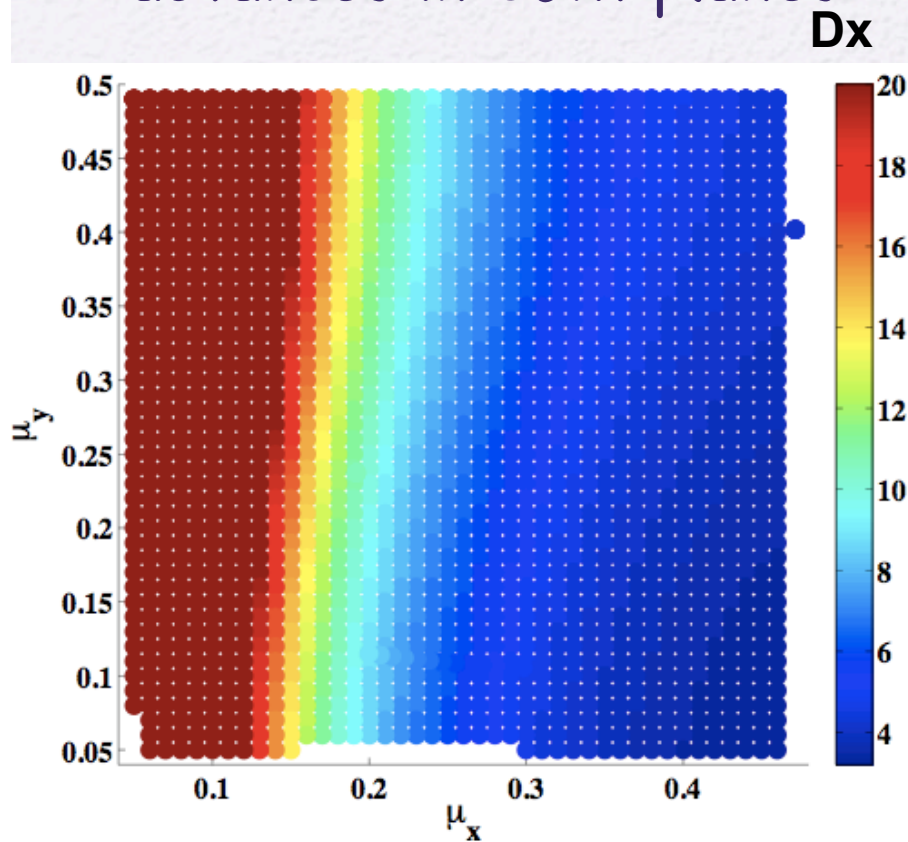
- Low vertical and moderate horizontal phase advance for lower horizontal beta
- Vertical beta has opposite trend but smoother variation (apart from extremities)



Dispersion and quad strengths



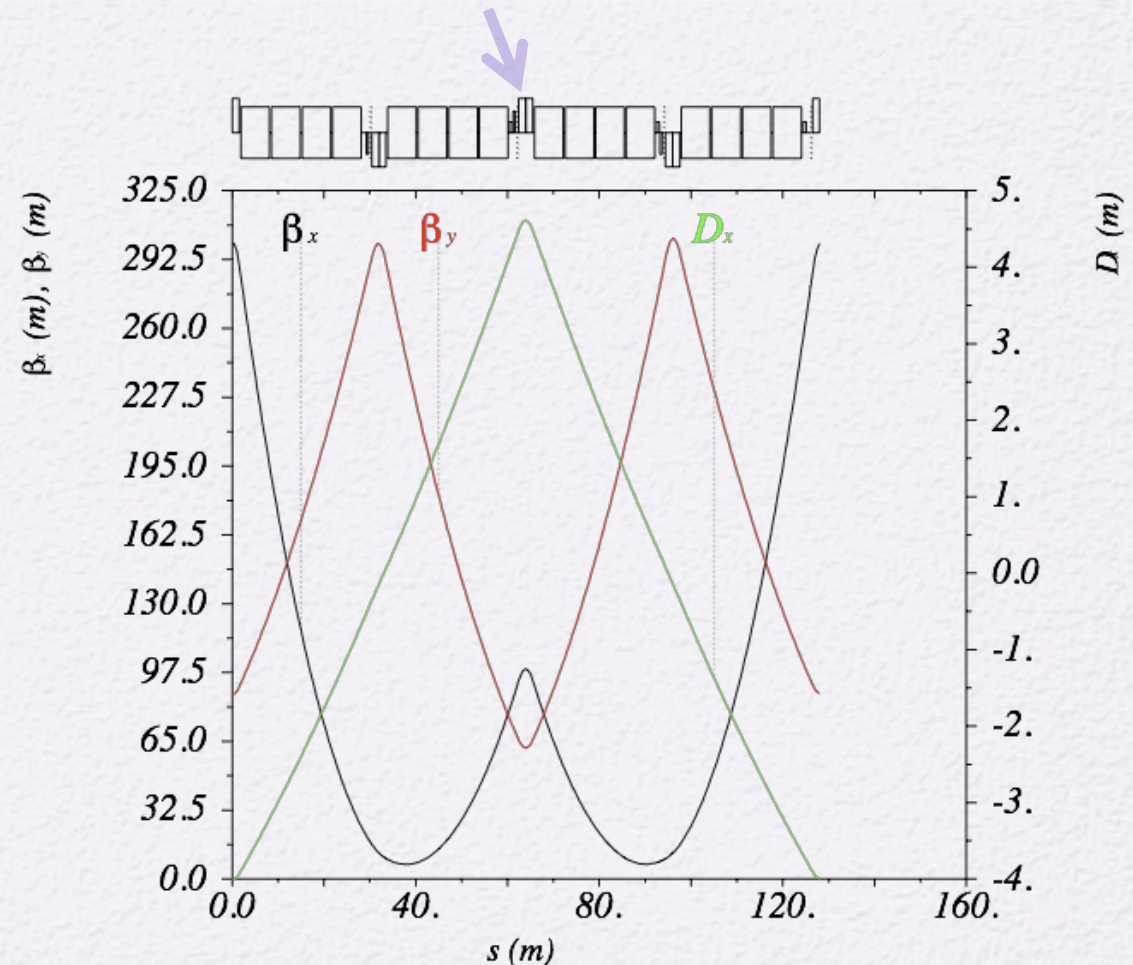
- Low dispersion values for horizontal phase advances above 0.15, and dropping rapidly at around 0.2
- Overall low quadrupole gradient apart for large phase advances in both planes



Imaginary transition energy



- Excite dispersion oscillations by powering individually central focusing quad in two consecutive FODO cells
- High imaginary transition energy of $200i$ for this example
- Dispersion maximum below 5m, but high beta function maxima (300m)
- Focusing quadrupole gradients quite high (30% more than max. allowed) as horizontal phase advance is large
- Quite academic...





Summary and perspectives

- Several optics solutions for manipulating the transition energy of the SPS are possible
- "Resonant arc" seems the most promising as it does not necessitate any hardware change
- Optics looks smoother as compared to previous attempts
- This option can be tested experimentally in the SPS
- FODODOFO optics looks very good with respect to tunability, aperture and quadrupole strengths
- Requires hardware changes (extra bi-polar power convertors)
- Needs still further optics optimization for dispersion suppression and general ring tuning
- High imaginary transition energy can be achieved but aperture and quadrupole strengths are a serious obstacle