PLC for Today Wednesday, March 13

- I will be available at 2:00 pm in PLC.
- If the PLC is empty, I will be available in my office, Physics 122.
- If no students come, I may leave the office before 4:30 pm.
- There will be no evening PLC.

Applications of Electromagnetism (Optional Lecture)

- Particle Accelerators
  - o Linear Accelerators
  - o Cyclotrons
- Beamline Magnets
  - Steering Magnets
  - Focusing Magnets
- Velocity Selectors
- Detectors
  - Spectrometers
  - o Drift Chambers

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Potential difference across plates when particle is between plates. (*N* regions between plates)



If you want to accelerate particles and are limited on space - keep sending them through the same two plates.



Particles spiral out as they accelerate, increasing speed and radius proportionally.



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remain constant.

$$\frac{|q|B}{m} = \frac{v}{r}$$



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Modern cyclotrons use complex electromagnetic fields created without D's.

## **Steering Magnets**

Beamlines are turned with steering magnets.



# **Focusing Magnets**

# Beamlines are focused with special magnets.



# $\vec{F} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$

(Unfortunately, a magnet can only focus in one transverse dimension and at one location along the beam. Beamlines may have many such focusing magnets.)

# Velocity Selector (See previous lecture.)

If  $v_0 = \frac{E}{B}$ , then  $\vec{F} = 0$  and the trajectory is a straight line.

 $\vec{F} = q\left(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}\right)$ 



#### Spectrometers

Consider a bending magnet with a back wall that registers interactions with charged particles. The particles will separate according to their radius of curvature.



#### Spectrometers

Consider nuclei that have been accelerated across a potential difference  $\Delta V$  yielding a radius of curvature in the magnetic field

$$r = \frac{1}{B} \sqrt{\frac{2m\Delta V}{q}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{m}{q}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{A}{Z}}$$

#### **Spectrometers**

Isotope	$\sqrt{A/Z}$	
$^{13}_{7}N$	$\sqrt{13/7}$	
$^{14}_{7}N$	$\sqrt{2}$	
$^{15}_{7}N$	$\sqrt{15/7}$	
<sup>16</sup> <sub>8</sub> 0	$\sqrt{2}$	C
<sup>17</sup> <sub>8</sub> 0	$\sqrt{17/8}$	
<sup>18</sup> <sub>8</sub> 0	$\sqrt{9/4}$	

Separation of fully ionized isotopes by mass to charge ratio.

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## **Drift Chambers**

Drift chambers signal the passage of ionizing particles.



### **Drift Chambers**

- Passing particle ionizes atoms in gas.
- Free electrons accelerate towards cathode.
- Electrons ionize more atoms on way to cathode.

 $\vec{F} = q\vec{E}$ 

• Momentary measureable current created.



# **Accelerator Physics**

Examples from today's lecture:

- Particles accelerated with electric fields.
- Particle beams steered with magnetic fields.
- Particle beams focused with magnetic fields.
- Particle velocities selected with crossed electric and magnetic fields.
- Particles identified with magnetic fields.
- Particle location and direction determined with electric fields.