Optimal positioning of a single local magnetic sensor for integrated dipole measurements

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Introduction

- (a beam physicist's) problem: use a single sensor to infer a dipole's field integral (typical application: real-time control of single experimental spectrometers or transfer line magnets)
- (his typical) solution: grab the first probe you find and stick it inside as deep as it will go



• The usual outcome:

• Is there a better way ?

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Projekt Elektronik FM3002 probe in the ISOLDE GPS isotope separator Time to remove/replace: 1/2 hour

> You *#●^{**} & magnet guys!! I can't control the field well enough !!

Maaarcoooo !!

detailed answer here: M. Buzio, G. Colluccio, C. Grech, S. Russenschuck, N. Sammut, "Optimal positioning of a single local magnetic sensor for integrated dipole measurements", submitted to Physical Review Accelerators and Beams





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ISOLDE HRS isotope separator

Dose at contact in 1/2 hour: 0.5 mSv

Part I Magnetic model





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Magnetic length



• Initial assumptions:

- no dynamic or history-dependent effects

Commonly used definition:

- consider only sensor positions along the nominal beam path *s*

• Define a generalized magnetic length:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{m}}(s,I) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} B(s,I)ds}{B(s,I)}$$

 $\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{m}} = \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{m}}(0) = const.$

Goal: find the optimal position s^* where the variation of $\ell_{\rm m}$ w.r.t. I (or other variables) is minimal





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Analytical field profile model

- **Simplest model**: assume superposition of two profile components:
 - \cdot λ (s), scaling linearly with the current (associated with the coil and the contribution of iron at low field)
 - $\sigma(s)$, scaling non-linearly (associated with saturating iron regions)

$$B(s,I) = B_0 \frac{I}{I_0} \left(\lambda(s) + \varsigma \left(\frac{I}{I_0} \right) \sigma(s) \right)$$

reference (normalization) values

saturation characteristic e.g. $\zeta\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) = 1 - \alpha\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right)^n$

• Reasonable choice: **bell-shaped curves** for the profile, e.g. $\varphi(s; s_0, \eta) = e^{-\frac{(s-s_0)^2}{\eta^2 L^2}}$



Optimal magnetic length

• Magnetic length vs. position s and current I:

$$\ell_{\rm m}(s,I) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} B(s,I)ds}{B(s,I)} = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda(s)ds + \varsigma\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right)\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma(s)ds}{\lambda(s) + \varsigma\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right)\sigma(s)} \quad [$$

• Stationarity of ℓ_m :

$$\frac{\partial \ell_{\rm m}}{\partial I} = \frac{1}{I_0} \frac{\lambda(s) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma(s) ds - \sigma(s) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda(s) ds}{\left(\lambda(s) + \zeta \left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) \sigma(s)\right)^2} \zeta'\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) = 0$$

• Optimal sensor position:

 $\ell_{\rm m}^* = \ell_{\rm m} (s^*) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda(s) ds}{\lambda(s^*)} = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma(s) ds}{\sigma(s^*)}$

• Analytical solution with bell-shaped profiles and $\eta_{\rm L}$ >> $\eta_{\rm s}$:

$$s^* = \frac{L}{2} \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - \left(1 - \frac{\eta_S^2}{\eta_L^2}\right) \left(1 + 4\eta_S^2 \ln 2\frac{\eta_S}{\eta_L}\right)}}{1 - \frac{\eta_S^2}{\eta_L^2}}, \qquad \lim_{\eta_S \to 0} s^* = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$



for arbitrary $\lambda(s)$, $\sigma(s) \exists s^* : \ell_{\pi}(s^*)$ is a constant vanishingly thin saturating region $\rightarrow s^*$ coincides with edge of yoke





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Relaxing the assumptions

Impact of:

remanent field profile

 $B(s,I) = B_0 \left(\rho(s) + \frac{I}{I_0} \left(\lambda(s) + \varsigma \left(\frac{I}{I_0} \right) \sigma(s) \right) \right)$

• remanent field:

$$\ell_{\rm m}(s^*,I) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda(s)ds}{\lambda(s^*)} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda(s)ds \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma(s)ds}{\left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda(s)ds + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma(s)ds\right)^2} \left(\frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda(s)ds}{\lambda(s^*)} - \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(s)ds}{\rho(s^*)}\right) \zeta''\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) \frac{\rho(s^*)}{\lambda(s^*)} \frac{I}{I_0} + \cdots$$

• eddy currents:

 $\rho(s)$ has same shape as either $\lambda(s)$ or $\sigma(s)$

• multiple saturating regions:

$$B(s,I) = B_0 \frac{I}{I_0} \left(\lambda(s) + \sum_{k=1}^N \varsigma_k \left(\frac{I}{I_0} \right) \sigma_k(s) \right) \qquad \text{e.g. N=2:}$$

all $\sigma_k(s)$ have the same shape

additional terms in *I* appear, unless

$$\ell_{\rm m}(s^*, I) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma_1(s) ds + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma_2(s) ds}{\sigma_1(s^*) + \sigma_2(s^*)} \left(1 + \gamma \epsilon \frac{I}{I_0} + \cdots\right) \qquad \gamma = \frac{\sigma_1(s^*) \sigma_2(s^*)}{\sigma_1(s^*) + \sigma_2(s^*)} \frac{\frac{\int_{-\infty}^{-\infty} \sigma_2(s) ds}{\sigma_2(s^*)} - \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{-\infty} \sigma_1(s) ds}{\sigma_1(s^*)}}{\lambda(s^*) + (\sigma_1(s^*) + \sigma_2(s^*))\zeta_1\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right)} \right)$$

dynamic/hysteresis effects or multi-component model ⇒ the optimal magnetic length cannot be a constant





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Part II FE simulations





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ISR dipole field profile





Analytical model with two nonlinear components:

$$B(s,I) = \frac{I}{I_0} B_{\rm c}(s,I_0) + B_{\rm r}(s,I) = B_0 \frac{I}{I_0} \left(\lambda(s) + \varsigma_1 \left(\frac{I}{I_0} \right) \sigma_1(s) + \varsigma_2 \left(\frac{I}{I_0} \right) \sigma_2(s) \right)$$



localized edge contribution

$$\sigma_1(s;I) = \frac{1}{B_1} \left(B_r(s,I) - \frac{\max(B_r(s,I))}{\max(B_r(s,I_0))} B_r(s,I_0) \right)$$





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 $B_1 = \max_{s} \left(B_{\mathrm{r}}(s, I) - \frac{\max\left(B_{\mathrm{r}}(s, I)\right)}{\max\left(B_{\mathrm{r}}(s, I_0)\right)} B_{\mathrm{r}}(s, I_0) \right)$

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this represents overall saturation: $\varsigma_2\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) = \frac{I_0}{I} \frac{\max(B_r(s, I))}{B_0}$

localized edge saturation:

$$\varsigma_1\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) = \frac{I_0}{I}\frac{B_1}{B_0}$$

slight dependence of $\sigma_1(s)$ upon $I \Rightarrow$ oversimplified analytical model





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ELENA dipole field profile

ANSYS FE simulation



Analytical model with two nonlinear contributions:

$$B(s,I) = B_0 \frac{I}{I_0} \left(\zeta_1 \left(\frac{I}{I_0} \right) \sigma_1(s) + \zeta_2 \left(\frac{I}{I_0} \right) \sigma_2(s) \right)$$

Bulk yoke contribution $\sigma_2(s)$ essentially linear well above nominal ${\it I}$

Edge contribution $\sigma_1(s)$ depends on *I* (oversimplified model)









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ELENA dipole magnetic length







sensor location hardly matters in the central region

effect of saturation: ×100 magnetic length variation sharper minima, shifted inwards



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Part III Test results





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ELENA dipole: field profile



curved fluxmeter for the integral field (both dynamic and DC-equivalent at the end of each staircase plateau)

3 × Projekt Elektronik AS-NTM-2 Hall probes moved sequentially to 12 on-axis positions









residual field profile measured Bartington MH-03 fluxgate used as integration constant (also added to FE computed profiles)





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ELENA dipole: magnetic length





DC FE + measured residual field profile







DC: measured *s** = 352 mm (FE: 369 mm) 200 A/s: measured *s** = 334 mm







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ISOLDE dipole

curved fluxmeter for the dynamic integral field (taken out/put back in for the remanent)





magnetic length

local saturation < integral saturation

(A) x=0 mm, s=0 mm

(B) x=0 mm, s=238 mm

(C) x=0 mm, s=625 mm (D) x=-20 mm, s=0 mm (E) x=38 mm, s=0 mm

(F) x=38 mm, s=238 mm

I (A)

250

local saturation > integral saturation

integral transfer function







ideally, local saturation = integral saturation

200





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1.46

1.45

1.44

1.43

1.42

1.41

1.4

1.39

0

50

100

150

Lm (m)



300

350

400

450

Conclusions





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Conclusions

- Analytical and FE calculations prove that, under rather general assumptions, the optimal position for a single Hall probe is towards the pole edge, rather than at the center of the magnet
- 1-2 orders of magnitude improvement for is possible for quasi-DC, strongly saturated magnets; much smaller (but still significant) factor when eddy currents and hysteresis play a major role
- Predicted optimal position based on DC FE up to ~30 mm off ⇒ measurements necessary if high accuracy is needed
- **Practical aspects** must also be considered when installing a probe: clearances, field level and gradients, external perturbations
- Other possibilities being explored:

 <u>explicit modelling</u> of the magnetic length as a function of current, ramp rate, excitation history ...
 - multiple sensors with constant coefficients





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