

ON THE PARTIALLY-FROZEN-SPIN METHOD

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In this Note I will show why the WM-YS method of edm measurement—in which the RFE and RFB fields oscillate in resonance with the $g-2$ frequency, ω_a , while the radial and vertical Lorentz forces are kept equal to zero—can be called (and actually is) a “partially-frozen-spin” method.

For simplicity, let us consider an azimuthally symmetric ring, in which all fields are distributed along a circular orbit:

$$B_V = B_0 + b_{V0} \cos \omega_a t \quad (1)$$

$$E_R = e_{R0} \cos \omega_a t \quad (2)$$

$$e_{R0} = \beta b_{V0} . \quad (3)$$

The planar spin equations are:

$$ds_L / dt = -\omega_a s_R + s_R \frac{eb_{V0}}{mc} \frac{1+a}{\gamma^2} \cos \omega_a t \quad (4)$$

$$ds_R / dt = \omega_a s_L - s_L \frac{eb_{V0}}{mc} \frac{1+a}{\gamma^2} \cos \omega_a t , \quad (5)$$

$a=(g-2)/2$. The solution of eqs. (4) and (5) is:

$$s_L = s_{L0} \cos \Phi, \quad s_R = s_{L0} \sin \Phi , \quad (6)$$

$$\Phi = \omega_a t - \left((eb_{v_0} / mc) / \omega_a \right) \frac{1+a}{\gamma^2} \sin \omega_a t . \quad (7)$$

It is easy to check (by using table integrals) that the average in time $\cos \Phi$ is not equal to zero:

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t dt \cos \Phi \neq 0 \quad \text{at } t \rightarrow \infty . \quad (8)$$

This means that a part of the longitudinal spin component that is essential for edm measurements is constant in time, frozen. We can get this part, in the first approximation, directly from eq. (5):

$$s_L \approx s_{fr} + s_a \cos \omega_a t , \quad (9)$$

where the frozen mode is much smaller than the oscillating mode, so

$$s_a \approx s_{L0} \sim 1, \quad s_{fr} \ll s_{L0} .$$

$$s_{fr} \approx \frac{1}{2} \left((eb_{v_0} / mc) / \omega_a \right) \frac{1+a}{\gamma^2} s_{L0}, \quad b_{v_0} = e_{R0} / \beta . \quad (10)$$

This goes into the edm, Lorentz-free equation:

$$ds_V / dt = (e / 2mc) \eta s_{fr} \beta B_0 . \quad (11)$$

Let us now estimate the systematic error caused directly by some non-zero E_V and B_R components of the designed RF fields:

$$E_V = e_{v_0} \cos \omega_a t , \quad (12)$$

$$B_R = b_{R0} \cos \omega_a t . \quad (13)$$

Assume that the Lorentz-free condition is satisfied not only for the radial but also for the vertical beam deviations, so

$$e_{V0} = -\beta b_{R0} . \quad (14)$$

In this case,

$$ds_V / dt = \frac{eb_{R0}}{2mc} \frac{1+a}{\gamma^2} s_{L0} + \frac{eb_{V0}}{2mc} \left((eB_0 / mc) / \omega_a \right) \frac{1}{2} \eta \beta \frac{1+a}{\gamma^2} s_{L0} . \quad (15)$$

To have the systematic error smaller than the edm signal, we need to satisfy the following

condition for $b_{R0} / b_{V0} = e_{V0} / e_{R0}$:

$$b_{R0} / b_{V0} < 0.5 \eta \beta (eB / mc) / \omega_a . \quad (16)$$