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1 The Warm Snake

A normal conducting helical warm snake has been designed and built in Japan [1] for the AGS. This is a 3 m long, 1.5 Tesla twisted dipole, with helical windings bent in a way to produce three sections with two different pitches. The design is similar to the AGS superconducting “Cold” snake [2], [3]. The optimization procedure of the field design in order to obtain vanishing small field integrals, was based on the same fitting model as for the Cold Snake described in a previous technical report [4].

We tracked with the program *SNIG* [5] particle trajectories through the numerical map calculated for the snake with the code *OPERA* [6] and furnished to us by the snake designers. *SNIG* calculates also the spin evolution by integration of the BMT equation. The orbit transverse 4×4 matrix and 3×3 spin transfer matrix through the snake are calculated, for different proton energies, from the trajectories of some particles, as a Jacobian of the transformation. The orbit matrices will be used to match the snake into the AGS lattice, using the machine optics code *MAD* [7]. The spin rotation angle and the direction of the spin rotation axis can be calculated from the spin matrix [8].

The field and field integrals on axis after optimization are shown in Fig. 1. The helical pitch from the map, i.e. $\tan(B_{a,y}/B_{a,x})$, where $\vec{B}_a$ is the magnetic field on axis, is shown in Fig. 2.

The helical snake is focusing in both transverse planes x and y . The focusing can be characterized by the two orbit matrix elements $T_{2,1}$ and $T_{4,3}$. To characterize the coupling we add up the square of the appropriate orbit matrix elements, forming the quantities

$$\begin{cases} UR = T_{1,3}^2 + T_{1,4}^2 + T_{2,3}^2 + T_{2,4}^2 \\ LL = T_{3,1}^2 + T_{3,2}^2 + T_{4,1}^2 + T_{4,2}^2 \end{cases} . \quad (1)$$

2 Constant coil current. Nominal field of 1.5 T.

With *SNIG* we run a series of cases at constant coil current, or at constant “nominal” field, for different beam energies. The spin rotation angle is maximum at the lowest energy: $\mu = 15.06 \text{ deg}$, corresponding to a 8.4% snake, as shown in Fig. 3. Table 1 shows μ and the direction angles of the spin rotation axis, θ , azimuth, with respect to $\vec{x}$ and ϕ , elevation. The corresponding orbit parameters are shown in Table 2. The snake is focusing in both planes. It also generates coupling between the transverse planes. Coupling is in good part due to the longitudinal component of the magnetic field along the orbit, largest at the lowest energy. Focusing and coupling parameters, defined by Eq.(1), decrease with increasing energy, as shown in Fig. 4.

Trajectories at different energies are shown in Fig. 5. Spin component evolution at different energies is shown in Fig. 6. The field on the trajectory for two extreme energies is in Fig. 7. Orbit matrices for different energies are given in Table 6.

Figure 1: Field on axis and field integrals for the final optimized geometry.

Figure 2: Pitch field angle on axis showing two different pitches in three sections of the snake.

Figure 3: Spin rotation angle μ vs. beam energy. Constant coil current. Nominal field

Table 1: Spin rotation angle and axis angles vs. energy. Constant coil current. Nominal field

γ	μ [deg]	axis θ, ϕ [deg]	
2.5	15.0602924	180.	0.0000515
3.6	12.3459592	180.	0.0000471
4.7	11.5378547	180.	0.0000463
5.8	11.1840562	180.	0.0000452
7.0	10.9839858	180.	0.0000445
8.0	10.8847653	180.	0.0000439
9.0	10.8181221	180.	0.0000437
10.5	10.7526966	180.	0.0000437
15.0	10.6622784	180.	0.0000434
20.0	10.6250013	180.	0.0000434
25.0	10.6078946	180.	0.0000433

Table 2: Orbit lengthening and max excursion vs, energy. Constant coil current. Nominal field

γ	ds [mm]	max x and y [mm]	
2.5	3.4638626	18.7709455	19.4545838
3.6	1.5114265	12.4579206	12.8468039
4.7	0.8553835	9.3668346	9.6699317
5.8	0.5521877	7.5132382	7.7709462
7.0	0.3752853	6.2050619	6.4070917
8.0	0.2858546	5.3525803	5.5920703
9.0	0.2250668	4.7849294	4.9622248
10.5	0.1647771	4.1151315	4.2460751
15.0	0.0803436	2.8801735	2.9650878
20.0	0.0450998	2.1600568	2.2215524
25.0	0.0288363	1.7180541	1.7763978

Table 3: Orbit matrices at different energies. Constant coil current. Nominal field.

$\gamma = 2.5$	0.931162	2.908521	0.005230	-0.031102
	-0.045672	0.931372	0.001339	-0.023802
	0.026727	0.033443	0.937410	2.933820
	-0.000214	-0.004760	-0.041099	0.938256
$\gamma = 3.6$	0.968585	2.958826	0.002231	-0.013493
	-0.020964	0.968397	0.000585	-0.010310
	0.009420	0.014285	0.971257	2.969436
	-0.000283	-0.000436	-0.019035	0.971408
$\gamma = 4.7$	0.982968	2.978209	0.001102	-0.007864
	-0.011333	0.982994	0.000195	-0.006081
	0.005958	0.008374	0.985431	2.985071
	0.000059	-0.000217	-0.009698	0.985409
$\gamma = 5.8$	0.989175	2.986473	0.000832	-0.004820
	-0.007188	0.989244	0.000275	-0.003596
	0.004169	0.005456	0.990238	2.990388
	0.000088	-0.000313	-0.006515	0.990186
$\gamma = 7.0$	0.992621	2.991047	0.000576	-0.003367
	-0.004910	0.992638	0.000142	-0.002591
	0.002988	0.003761	0.993073	2.993701
	0.000108	-0.000224	-0.004564	0.993218
$\gamma = 8.0$	0.994139	2.993067	0.000599	-0.002483
	-0.003902	0.994148	0.000160	-0.001978
	0.002356	0.002936	0.994301	2.995083
	0.000133	-0.000096	-0.003721	0.994524
$\gamma = 9.0$	0.995407	2.994669	0.000498	-0.001916
	-0.003132	0.995191	0.000147	-0.001520
	0.001768	0.002125	0.995111	2.995988
	-0.000035	-0.000408	-0.003155	0.995413
$\gamma = 10.5$	0.996513	2.996168	0.000381	-0.001329
	-0.002398	0.996290	0.000140	-0.001031
	0.001374	0.001617	0.996236	2.997125
	0.000002	-0.000295	-0.002432	0.996463
$\gamma = 15.0$	0.998104	2.998382	0.000139	-0.000583
	-0.001321	0.997930	0.000086	-0.000404
	0.000787	0.000873	0.997992	2.998914
	0.000041	-0.000141	-0.001301	0.998102
$\gamma = 20.0$	0.998807	2.999382	0.000007	-0.000319
	-0.000836	0.998685	0.000037	-0.000189
	0.000507	0.000529	0.998811	2.999760
	0.000042	-0.000089	-0.000774	0.998866
$\gamma = 25.0$	0.999152	2.999878	-0.000057	-0.000213
	-0.000595	0.999064	0.000008	-0.000106
	0.000363	0.000355	0.999214	3.000182
	0.000035	-0.000071	-0.000514	0.999242

Figure 4: Coupling and Focusing. Constant coil current. Nominal field.

3 Constant coil current. Enhanced Field

We repeated the series of cases described in the previous section at constant coil current, but with the current and the field increased by 20%.¹ The spin maximum rotation at the lowest energy is $\mu = 18.834 \text{ deg}$, corresponding to a 10.46% snake, as shown in Fig. 8. Table 4 shows μ and the angles of spin axis. The corresponding orbit parameters are shown in Table 5. Focusing and coupling parameters are shown in Fig. 9.

Trajectories at different energies are shown in Fig. 10. Spin component evolution at different energies is shown in Fig. 11. The field on the trajectory for two extreme energies is shown in Fig. 12.

¹Note that since the warm snake is iron dominated, changing the field strength by simple multiplication by a constant may not be realistic, mostly because a real change of current modifies the shape of the fringe field at magnet ends, that finely controls the field integrals. The results in this section and in the next may be less reliable than the results given in the previous section.

Table 4: Spin rotation angle and axis angles vs. energy. Constant field increased by 20%.

γ	μ [deg]	axis θ, ϕ [deg]	
2.5	18.8337113	179.9999	0.0000467
3.6	15.4186568	179.9999	0.0000414
4.7	14.4025087	179.9999	0.0000404
5.8	13.9578618	179.9999	0.0000396
7.0	13.7064577	179.9999	0.0000390
8.0	13.5818027	179.9999	0.0000385
9.0	13.4981131	179.9999	0.0000383
10.5	13.4159296	179.9999	0.0000381
15.0	13.3023335	179.9999	0.0000379
20.0	13.2554927	179.9999	0.0000378
25.0	13.2339939	179.9999	0.0000378

Figure 5: Orbits at constant coil current. Nominal field - Note the changes of vertical scale.

Figure 6: Spin components. Constant coil current. Nominal field - Spin is injected vertical.

Figure 7: Field components. Constant current - The longitudinal field mostly shows at low energy.

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Figure 8: Spin rotation angle μ vs. beam energy. Constant field increased by 20%.

Table 5: Orbit lengthening and max excursion vs, energy. Constant field increased by 20%.

γ	ds [mm]	max x and y [mm]	
2.5	4.3488532	21.1466355	21.8262279
3.6	1.8948347	13.9056654	14.3796388
4.7	1.0717843	10.4993089	10.8223750
5.8	0.6917238	8.3895478	8.6967083
7.0	0.4700528	6.9463046	7.1701444
8.0	0.3580148	6.0210906	6.2579575
9.0	0.2818698	5.3712775	5.5530157
10.5	0.2063542	4.6289754	4.7515491
15.0	0.1006099	3.2097776	3.3180022
20.0	0.0564745	2.4072075	2.4859517
25.0	0.0361086	1.9237555	1.9878106

Figure 9: Coupling and focusing. Constant field increased by 20%.

Figure 10: Orbits at field increased by 20%.

Figure 11: Spin components at field increased by 20%.

Figure 12: Field components at field increased by 20%.

Orbit matrices for different energies are given in Table 6.

4 Constant spin rotation angle μ

A further series was done keeping constant the rotation angle of spin at an “average” value $\mu \approx 12 \text{ deg}$, corresponding to a 6.7% snake. This was obtained by changing the nominal value of the field $B_0 = 1.5T$ as a function of energy. Results are shown in Table 7: spin rotation angle and axis angles. The corresponding orbit parameters are shown in Table 8.

The field along the trajectory and the trajectory of a central particle at the energy $\gamma = 2.5$ (injection in the AGS) are shown in Fig. 13. The longitudinal field responsible for part of the coupling, shows up at this energy. This B_z is however much smaller than the corresponding component in the cold snake [4].

Trajectories at various proton energies are shown in Fig. 14. x and y are in meters. Focusing and coupling are shown in Fig. 15. Orbit matrices for different energies are given in Table 9.

5 Conclusions

The warm snake, as represented by numerical field map, is doing what is supposed to do, i.e. it rotates the spin by an angle larger than the present solenoidal snake in the AGS. Focusing in both planes is a problem, however the warm snake has much less focusing than the cold snake. Coupling

Table 6: Orbit matrices at different energies at field increased by 20%.

$\gamma = 2.5$	0.913362	2.883916	0.005954	-0.040187
	-0.057537	0.913322	0.001125	-0.030976
	0.031071	0.041057	0.922395	2.916451
	-0.000709	-0.004800	-0.051167	0.922496
$\gamma = 3.6$	0.961224	2.948738	0.003259	-0.017043
	-0.025853	0.961051	0.000715	-0.013449
	0.012758	0.017710	0.964425	2.961885
	-0.000426	-0.001697	-0.023752	0.963970
$\gamma = 4.7$	0.978351	2.972137	0.001140	-0.010606
	-0.014477	0.978144	0.000144	-0.007418
	0.005362	0.009974	0.980793	2.972522
	-0.000306	0.000684	-0.012665	0.977851
$\gamma = 5.8$	0.986293	2.982619	0.001073	-0.006091
	-0.009120	0.986320	0.000318	-0.004616
	0.005055	0.006875	0.988088	2.987951
	0.000122	-0.000190	-0.007959	0.987989
$\gamma = 7.0$	0.990960	2.988814	0.000626	-0.004183
	-0.006005	0.991013	0.000190	-0.003111
	0.003687	0.004671	0.991509	2.991864
	0.000096	-0.000340	-0.005642	0.991542
$\gamma = 8.0$	0.992948	2.991466	0.000599	-0.003189
	-0.004694	0.992960	0.000150	-0.002477
	0.002874	0.003599	0.993401	2.994060
	0.000112	-0.000210	-0.004343	0.993554
$\gamma = 9.0$	0.994208	2.993131	0.000599	-0.002451
	-0.003857	0.994216	0.000156	-0.001964
	0.002321	0.002897	0.994359	2.995128
	0.000133	-0.000088	-0.003683	0.994581
$\gamma = 10.5$	0.995747	2.994800	0.000474	-0.001732
	-0.002906	0.995535	0.000146	-0.001377
	0.001645	0.001967	0.995451	2.996319
	-0.000022	-0.000862	-0.002935	0.995734
$\gamma = 15.$	0.997714	2.997833	0.000203	-0.000750
	-0.001588	0.997519	0.000105	-0.000542
	0.000936	0.001059	0.997548	2.998457
	0.000035	-0.000177	-0.001588	0.997686
$\gamma = 20.0$	0.998575	2.999050	0.000049	-0.000401
	-0.000997	0.998433	0.000054	-0.000253
	0.000603	0.000644	0.998540	2.999478
	0.000043	-0.000106	-0.000949	0.998612
$\gamma = 25.0$	0.998994	2.999652	-0.000029	-0.000260
	-0.000705	0.998890	0.000021	-0.000141
	0.000430	0.000434	0.999032	2.999990
	0.000039	-0.000079	-0.000632	0.999071

Table 7: Spin rotation angle and axis angles vs. energy. Constant μ .

γ	B/B_0	μ [deg]	axis θ, ϕ [deg]	
2.5	0.900	12.2110	179.9999	0.0000553
3.6	0.990	12.1028	179.9999	0.0000477
4.7	1.020	11.9979	179.9999	0.0000450
5.8	1.035	11.9694	179.9999	0.0000436
7.0	1.047	12.0249	179.9999	0.0000422
8.0	1.050	11.9833	179.9999	0.0000418
9.0	1.060	12.1341	179.9999	0.0000410
10.5	1.061	12.0829	179.9999	0.0000408
15.0	1.061	11.9809	179.9999	0.0000406
20.0	1.062	11.9610	179.9999	0.0000405
25.0	1.065	12.0081	179.9999	0.0000402

Table 8: Orbit lengthening and max excursion vs. energy. Constant μ .

γ	B/B_0	ds [mm]	max x and y [mm]	
2.5	0.9	2.8003585	16.9573089	17.4816786
3.6	0.99	1.4812035	12.3536674	12.7181048
4.7	1.02	0.8900438	9.4732771	9.8634862
5.8	1.035	0.5915857	7.8205709	8.0432523
7.0	1.047	0.4114369	6.4835136	6.7084318
8.0	1.05	0.3151799	5.7598456	5.8719177
9.0	1.06	0.2529059	5.1429520	5.2601193
10.5	1.061	0.1855046	4.4221150	4.5051929
15.0	1.061	0.0904474	3.0850448	3.1459986
20.0	1.062	0.0508665	2.3637192	2.3593166
25.0	1.065	0.0327072	1.8311676	1.8918751

Figure 13: field on trajectory and trajectory for $\gamma = 2.5$. Constant μ .

Figure 14: Trajectory for different energies. Constant μ .

Figure 15: Focusing and coupling parameters for different energies. Constant μ .

Table 9: Orbit matrices at different energies. Constant μ .

$\gamma = 2.5$	0.945140	2.927443	0.003425	-0.025866
	-0.036400	0.945382	0.000662	-0.019693
	0.022669	0.026702	0.950662	2.948036
	-0.000296	-0.005292	-0.032619	0.950831
$\gamma = 3.6$	0.969200	2.959670	0.002181	-0.013225
	-0.020557	0.969034	0.000567	-0.010118
	0.009189	0.014120	0.971896	2.970149
	-0.000261	-0.000102	-0.018603	0.972076
$\gamma = 4.7$	0.982279	2.977312	0.001092	-0.008214
	-0.011789	0.982312	0.000180	-0.006339
	0.006182	0.008705	0.984838	2.984422
	0.000053	-0.000233	-0.010084	0.984840
$\gamma = 5.8$	0.988334	2.985323	0.000927	-0.005157
	-0.007755	0.988381	0.000300	-0.003873
	0.004422	0.005892	0.989648	2.989698
	0.000117	-0.000223	-0.006917	0.989566
$\gamma = 7.0$	0.991991	2.990214	0.000554	-0.003698
	-0.005325	0.992024	0.000149	-0.002782
	0.003249	0.004109	0.992418	2.992927
	0.000104	-0.000261	-0.005011	0.992528
$\gamma = 8.0$	0.993655	2.992387	0.000619	-0.002788
	-0.004229	0.993651	0.000145	-0.002232
	0.002557	0.003192	0.994101	2.994856
	0.000116	-0.000158	-0.003870	0.994276
$\gamma = 9.0$	0.994941	2.994098	0.000559	-0.002188
	-0.003386	0.994894	0.000148	-0.001760
	0.002038	0.002607	0.994550	2.995346
	0.000122	-0.000027	-0.003540	0.994819
$\gamma = 10.5$	0.996130	2.995644	0.000440	-0.001528
	-0.002651	0.995912	0.000145	-0.001211
	0.001509	0.001796	0.995839	2.996733
	-0.000008	-0.000326	-0.002685	0.996099
$\gamma = 15.$	0.997911	2.998107	0.000180	-0.000662
	-0.001453	0.997727	0.000097	-0.000476
	0.000860	0.000967	0.997766	2.998688
	0.000039	-0.000155	-0.001446	0.997894
$\gamma = 20.0$	0.998694	2.999217	0.000045	-0.000353
	-0.000914	0.998563	0.000050	-0.000225
	0.000551	0.000589	0.998668	2.999621
	0.000043	-0.000090	-0.000865	0.998737
$\gamma = 25.0$	0.999067	2.999756	-0.000042	-0.000238
	-0.000654	0.998971	0.000015	-0.000124
	0.000399	0.000398	0.999116	3.000079
	0.000037	-0.000075	-0.000577	0.999151

is also relatively small, because in this design the longitudinal component of the magnetic field is small. We do not plan a correction solenoid as in the cold snake.

The snake was built and delivered to BNL. It has successfully passed a series of electrical tests and field measurements in our Magnet Test facility, and is due for installation on the AGS by the end of February 2004. We will promptly compare the measured field with the ideal one shown in this report. A preliminary comparison seems in good agreement.

Insertion of the warm snake in the AGS lattice doesn't seem to create problems that cannot be controlled. Since the horizontal orbit starts off axis, the AGS will require horizontal steering. Numerical work is in progress and results will be shown on a further report.

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