Magnetic resonance and coil design for TUCAN EDM experiment

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Introduction

- The TUCAN (TRIUMF Ultracold Advanced Neutron) collaboration aims to make a measurement with an uncertainty of 10^{-27} e·cm.
- The nEDM is extracted from the spin precession frequency of the neutrons.
- □ Neutrons travelling through different paths in an inhomogeneous magnetic field will experience instantaneous precession rate changes at different locations.
- □Magnetic field inhomogeneity depolarizes the neutrons in the cells and contribute to systematic uncertainties
- TUCAN require $\Delta Bz < 140$ pT and $\sigma(Bz) < 40$ pT when measured over the region of the EDM cell(s),within the 1 μ T main field.



Coils to correct field inhomogeneties

- □ **B0 Coil** Provides the uniform 1µT holding field inside the MSR.
- □ nxn coil -Square coils to cancel arbitrary magnetic gradients in the MSR interior.
- □ **B1 Coil** -For applying the oscillating field for the $\pi/2$ spin flip in the Ramsey method.
- □ Coils must be constructed inside the MSR in such as way as to provide the required field shapes.

□We are currently working with nxn and Bo coils.



B0 Coil



Simulation of Wire Paths



CAD Model of Coil Frame

□ The purpose of the B0 coil is to provide a uniform 1μ T magnetic field.

This field needs to be highly uniform to prevent UCN depolarization and false nEDM signals due to field gradients.

□ The coil is designed as a two layer shelf shielded square cosine theta coil.

□ The self shielding reduces coupling to the mu-metal of the MSR and should increase stability over time.

Reference:Bocoil design by M. McCrea

B0 Coil Status



↑ Guides on Form↓guide winding test



- □ The first frame section with the final design was assembled in 2023/10, and measurements are being examined, initial results show alignment of parts to 0.2 − 0.7 mm alignment within the 1 mm tolerance.
- The body uses Al ribs separating G10 and Al hex cell sandwiches to make a light weight structure.
- Improvements are being made to the assembly process to increase the accuracy and reduce the assembly time.

"nxn" /Shim coils

- Place set of square coils on cubic surface around cells.
- □ At each of the sensor positions $B_i = \sum_{j=1}^{c} M_{ij}I_j$ or *B*=*MI* where *M* is a matrix
- □ We can determine the currents to set on each coil to generate a target field using $I_{set} = M^{-1}B_{target}$



Example:

9 square coils on 4 faces of a cube + 7 coils on

2 faces = 50 coils

27 sensor positions x 3 axes = 81 sensor axes

Sample Results



Renormalize applied field (brown) to 3 nT maximum variation over 1 m3 central volume, mimicking expected worst-case homogeneity.

Residual after field correction is $\sigma(Bz) < 40$ pT, averaged over each cell (brown minus purple).

Results will be better, depending on the actual inhomogeneity of the MSR.

Reference :Square shim coils by J.Martin

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Current Supply For Shim Coils



Figure from S.Ahmed

Voltage Programmable Current Source



Current supply for shim coils





Completed and tested 48-channel prototype at University of Winnipeg Results from one of the 16 channel current supply.

Shim coil Prototype





Mapper with fluxgate to map the coils

At University of Winnipeg we are developing a prototype of shim coils and the software to decide what currents to set on the prototype coils that we will use.
Also working with the field mapper to record magnetic field along three different axis with the help of magnetic field sensor.

Set Up.....





B0 Coil

☐ The next set of parts will be delivered late November and the last set in April 2024.

Shim Coil

□ November 2023: complete 64-channel current source

December 2023: To complete prototype coils + current source system test.

□ May 2024: Installation of shim coil system within B0 coil in MSR



 nxn shim coil system provides a flexible solution for homogeneous fields.

□ Mechanical design concept in preparation.

□ Prototype current source tested and scaling up to 64 channels.

B0 coil is under construction and analysis of measurements and non-contact point map is underway.

Thank you.....



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