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# Extraction of antiprotons from the Recycler without a “hot bucket”

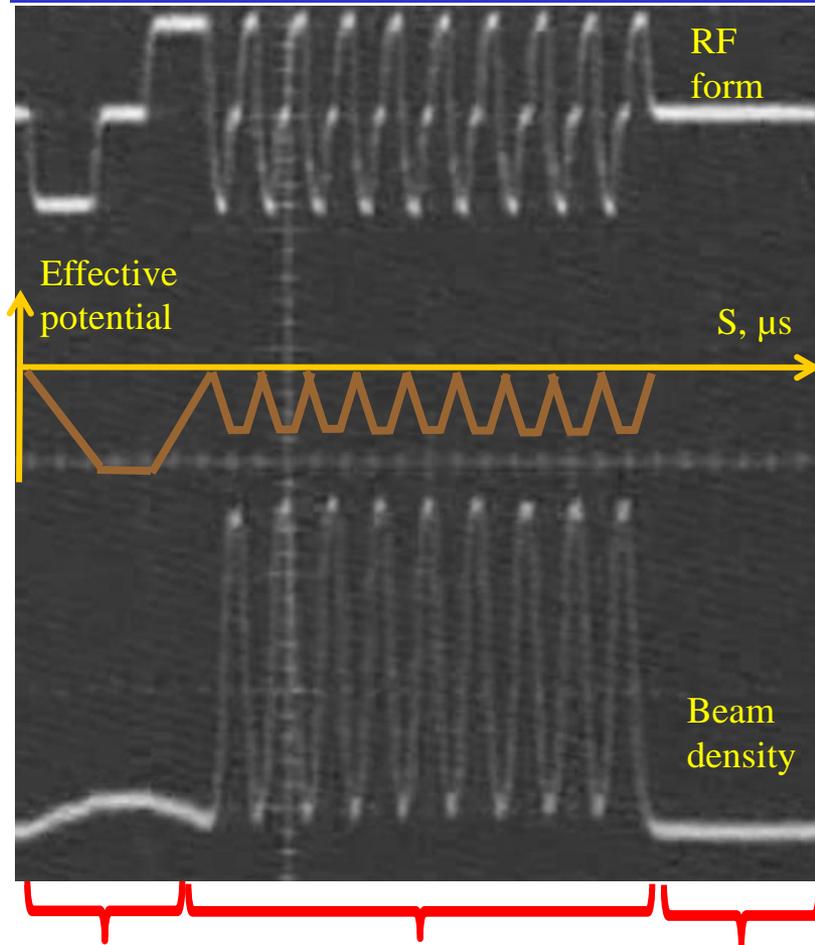
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# “Hot bucket”



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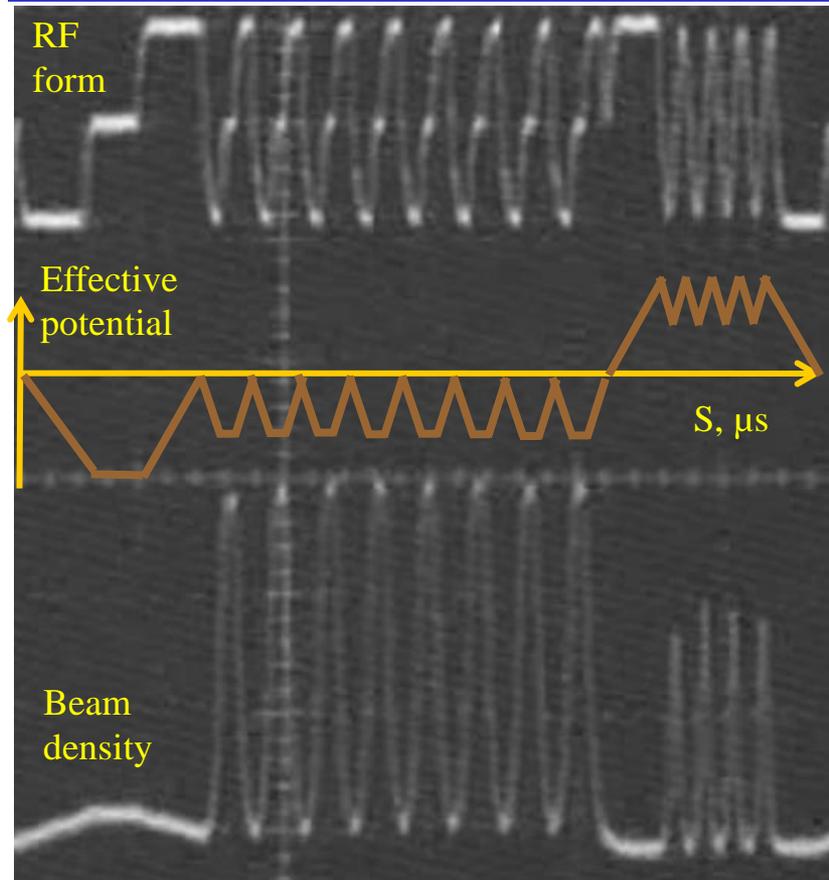
“Mined” beam

Extraction  
region

RF form and RWCM signal after mining and growing the “hot” bucket. 17-Jun-2007, C. Bhat.

- “Hot bucket” was proposed and implemented (C. Bhat) to avoid sending “hot” pbars to MI
  - Separating pbars with high longitudinal actions and moving into a separate “hot bucket” by special RF manipulations
- Was decreasing the amount of DC beam in the machine
  - In absence of a damper, DC beam resulted in a transverse emittance growth because of ions

# What has changed since implementation



“Hot Bucket”      “Mined” beam      Extraction region

RF form and RWCM signal before extraction of the first bunch. 17-Jun-2007, C. Bhat.

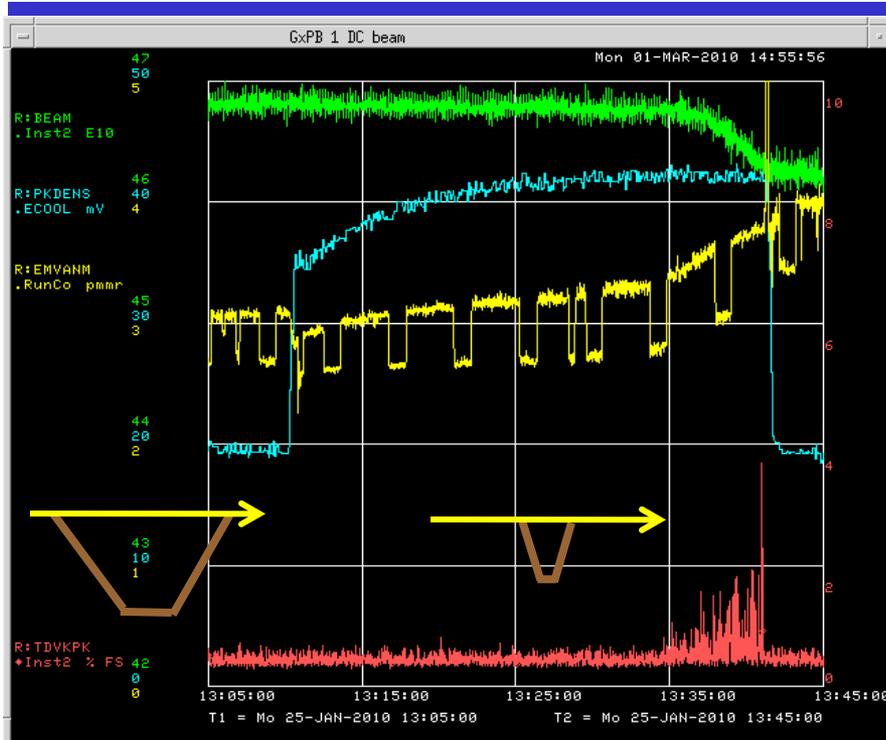
- “Anti-bucket” around pbars to be extracted (C.Bhat)
  - Pushed hot particles away from the extraction region
- Much smaller number of pbars leaving in “hot bucket”
  - Because of a more effective electron cooling
- Transverse dampers
  - A large DC beam doesn't cause a fast emittance growth
- Pbar beam is normally at the boundary of instability at extraction
  - Allows to send the brightest bunches to MI
- Do we need “hot bucket”?

## Instabilities during extraction

Date	Np, E10	After extraction of bunch #	Ecool status	Final cooling time. hrs	Changes
7-Dec-08	400	5, 6	After EC tuning	8	E-beam offset at extraction changed from 0 to 0.5 mm
27-Sep-09	420	5	After CS alignment	24	E-beam offset at extraction changed from 0.5 to 0.8 mm
7-Jan-10	410	6	300mA study	3	Adjusted e-beam offset for 0.3A
22-Feb-10	390	5	300mA study	1.3	?

- Developing of the instability depends on quality of e-cooling and details of pbar beam tails
  - Eliminating the “hot bucket” should help with the beam stability

# Instability during “mining emulation” study



- 25-Jan-10: study with a single bunch to emulate mining with “soft” and “hard” buckets
  - The goal was to compare the resulting longitudinal emittance of the bunch
  - The results were not convincing
- The main effect happened to be an **instability** during emulating the “soft” mining
- Why instability?

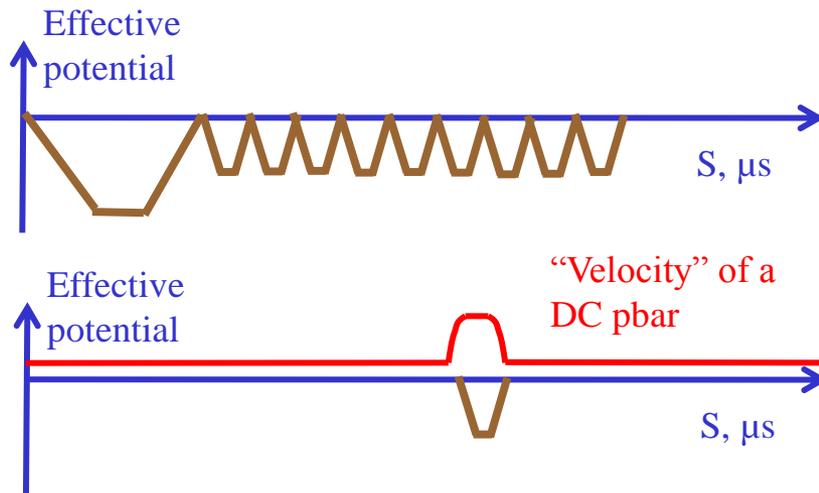
Instability while cooling a single bunch. January 25, 2010.

Green – number of pbars, (42 – 47)E10; Blue – longitudinal density, a.u.; Yellow – Fast emittance, 1pi/box; Red – damper kick, % of full scale.

E-beam was moved to 0.8 mm after right growing “soft” mini-barriers (two full-height, 12-bckt, opposite sign barriers separated by 12 bckts).

- E-cooling was not good
  - Before CS alignment
- E-beam was kept at usual 0.8 mm
- Instability stopped immediately after growing the “normal” bucket

# Possible explanation: different RF structure for DC beam

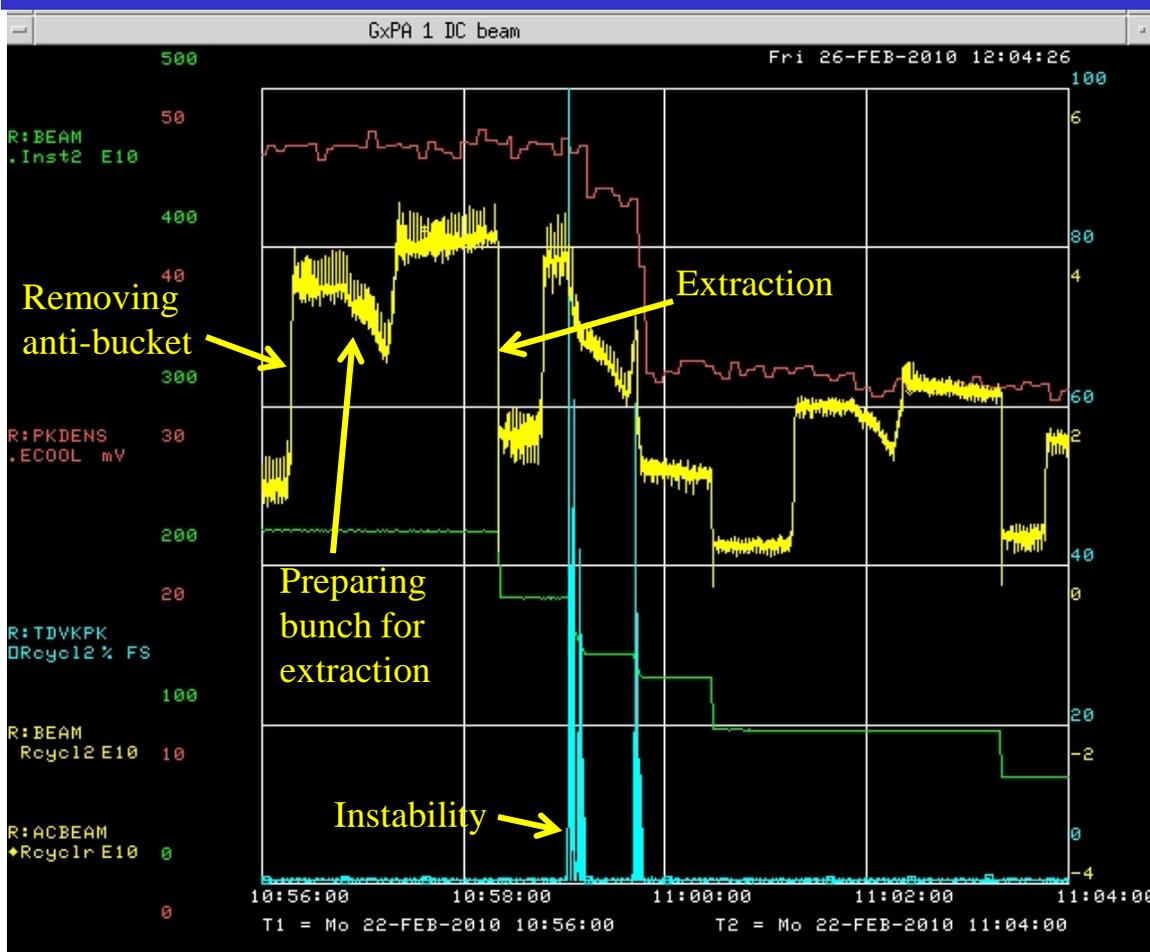


Comparison of effective RF potentials for cases of mined buckets (top) and the “soft-mining” emulation study (middle). The **red line** represents “velocity”  $dS/dt$  of a pbar not captured into the bucket. Numerically for RR:

	$dS/dt$ [ $\mu\text{s/s}$ ]	$\approx dE$ [MeV]
Depth of the standard bucket	17	MeV
Depth of the mini-bucket	8.5	MeV
One turn	11	$\mu\text{s}$

- When most of the revolution period is free of RF, tail (DC) pbars spend most of their time outside of the bucket
  - Interaction with the core decreases, and efficiency of Landau damping drops

# Pattern of when instabilities occur



Instability during extraction for shot #7629. 22-Feb-2010.

Green – number of pbars, 100E10/box;

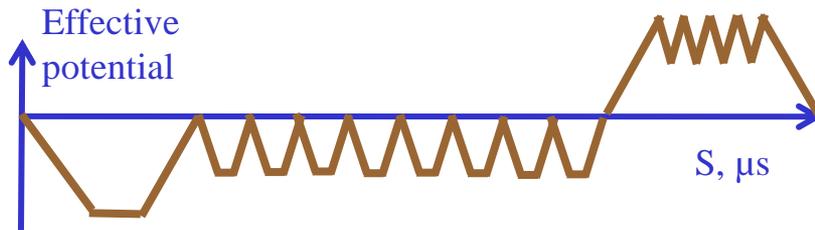
Blue – damper kick, % of full;

Yellow – DC beam, 2E10/box;

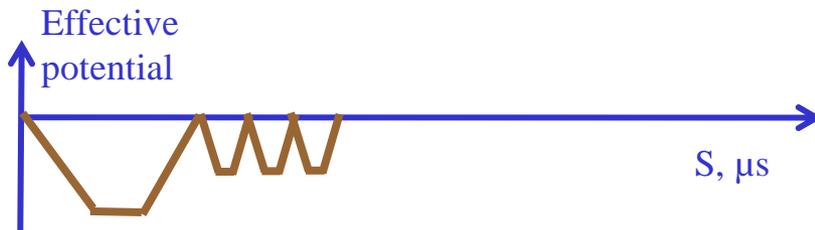
Red – longitudinal density, a.u.

- All instabilities during extractions occurred
  - After 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> bunch having been transferred
  - In the extraction cycle, after dropping the “anti-bucket”

## Possible correlation with tail distribution



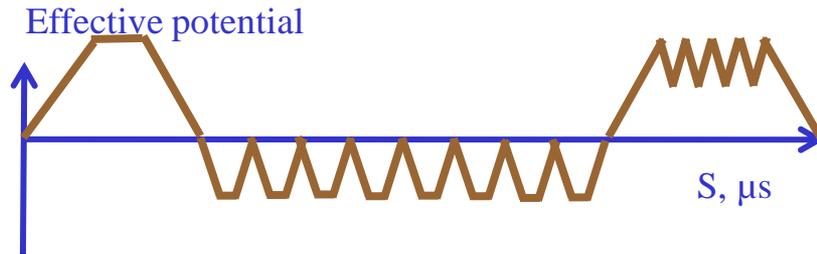
State before 1<sup>st</sup> extraction: tail particles stay primarily near the core.



State after 6<sup>th</sup> extraction and dropping the “anti-bucket”: tail particles are primarily far from the core.

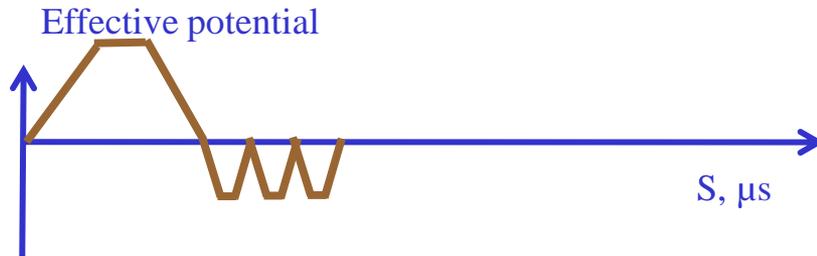
- The larger portion of the turn being free of RF makes the beam more susceptible for an instability

## Proposal: replace the “hot bucket” by “anti-bucket”



### Con:

In the extraction configuration, the phase space for hot particles is lower. The beam loss during extraction may increase.

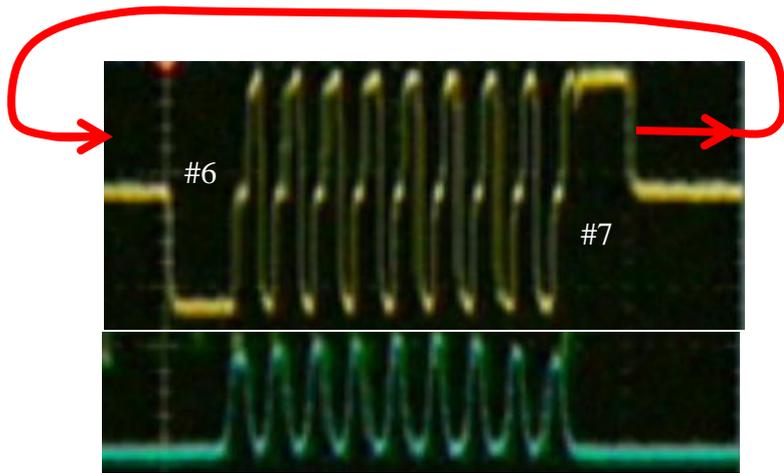


### Pro:

In the configuration between extractions (the most dangerous one for instabilities), the number of tail particles effectively interacting with the core is significantly higher.

- Eliminating the “hot bucket” should significantly improve the beam stability.
- Possible side benefits:
  - No pbars in the area of kicker tail; mining efficiency should increase
- If the amount of DC beam in RR stays as low as now, an increase of the loss during extraction may be negligible.

## Possible mechanics



- After mining, stay for 2 min for e-cooling at 0.8 mm
- Instead of moving #6, move barrier #7 to the right until it is side-by-side with #6
  - Because it is in a beam-free region, it shouldn't affect pbars
- Move the first bunch into the extraction position and proceed as usual
- After extraction, compress the bunch to the standard 308 bckts and continue as usual
- Chandra thinks it's doable

# Summary

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- Recycler operates at the stability boundary to provide the brightest beams to MI
    - Improves MI efficiency (coalescing)
    - Keeping the best possible conditions for stability is important
  - Elimination of the “hot bucket” may improve the pbar beam stability without affecting significantly the transfer efficiency
    - Some side benefits are possible
  - Chandra is looking at an implementation of this configuration
    - First, as a test
  - We need to try it
    - A success would be to have the same transfer and coalescing efficiency
      - With a hope that the stability would improve
    - In this case, practical implications should be discussed
      - How to deal with partial mining?
      - Are the height and width of mining barriers optimal?
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