

Prediction and Experiment on Field Transformation in the Model of Extended Space

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A series of preliminary experiments on checking the possibility of generation of gravitational field at deceleration of charged massive particles in matter was carried out.

Introduction

In previous works [1-3] generalization of the special theory of relativity (STR) for the five-dimensional extended space with metric (+;-;-;-) was offered.

The model of extended space (ESM), combining electromagnetic and gravitational interactions, was made. For this, there was made (1+3)-dimensional space extension $M(T; \vec{X})$ of Minkovsky to (1+4)-dimensional space $G(T; \vec{X}, S)$. Let us call it extended space. As the 5-th additional coordinate the value already existing in Minkovsky space, i.e, S interval

$$s^2 = (ct)^2 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2 \quad (1),$$

is used.

Let us note that attempts to combine gravitation and electromagnetism have a substantial background.

Modern approaches to this problem trace back to the work of F. Klein [10] in which he proved that classical Hamiltonian mechanics can be represented as optics in the space of a great number of dimensions.

Then T. Kaluza tried to generalize Einstein's theory of gravitation to include electromagnetism in this theory as well [11]. He proposed to consider (1+4)-dimensional space with metric depending on potentials of the electromagnetic field. Kaluza's idea was evolved by O. Klein [12], G. Mandel [13] and V. Fock, and the model they had created got the name of the Kaluza-Klein theory. They proved that the trajectory of a charged particle has the form of a geodesic line with zero-length in 5-dimensional space.

In his works on 5-optics Y. Rummer [15] proposed to assign action dimensionality to the new dimension and to consider it periodical with the period equal to Planck's constant. Note that rest mass of particles in all these constructions unlike the model of extended space evolved in the works [1-7] was considered a fixed value. Subsequent development of multidimensional theories is given in the monograph [16].

A separate approach is represented by multidimensional constructions in the theory of strings and superstrings [17].

Approach to construction of (1+4) dimensional space evolved in [18] is close to the proposed model of extended space. Here it is proposed to use mass (matter) as the 5-th coordinate. However, in this model, as its originators admit, it is impossible, for example, to create the energy-pulse tensor. There is no such disadvantage in the extended space model [8].

Mechanics of a material point [1, 2, 7] and electrodynamics [1, 8] were made in the introduced extended space. Besides Lienar-Vihert potentials [6, 19] corresponding to such a model were also considered and properties of solutions of Maxwell augmented system of equations which are in conformity with these potentials were analyzed there.

Gravitational effects in extended space, such as the second orbital velocity, red shift and light deflection [4, 20, 21] were considered. It is proved that the formulas received in the general theory of relativity for calculation of values of these effects can be received by an absolutely different method within the framework of the extended space model as well.

It was proved [6, 19] that the fields in the model of extended space can change their signs. Such change of field-intensity sign and, consequently, change of sign of Lorenz force can be associated with radiation reaction of these fields which occurs when charged particles move with acceleration.

Thus, on the one hand, it was proved in the model of extended space that it is possible to get certain formulas describing gravitational effects of the general theory of relativity [4,20] using the technique of turns in extended space. On the other hand, it was proved that the electromagnetic field can be a source of gravitational field [6, 19].

Besides, a moving massively charged particle under deceleration can create a variable gravitational field around itself [9, 6, 19]. The following experiment was offered for experimental check of the latter assumption. In this experiment probable occurrence of gravitational field at deceleration of relativistic electrons was determined by change of oscillations of a massive torsion pendulum.

Experimental device

A narrow bunch of relativistic electrons from a microtron 1 (average power of the bunch is 450 Wt, electrons energy is 30 MeV) was directed to a brake target (position 2 or 3) made of wolfram exactly where deceleration of accelerated electrons took place.

A special torsion pendulum suspended on a vertical suspender 5 made of a springy metallic string with 1,8 mm diameter was placed near the brake target to register gravitational field which could probably appear at electrons deceleration. The length of the suspender made is 85 cm. The pendulum could rotate freely on the suspender only in horizontal plane.

The pendulum consisted of a light aluminum rod 4 (with a length of 120 cm) on the ends of which massive loads 6 and 7 made of non-magnetic material were fixed. The weight of each load was equal to 4kg. In the center a pendulum was fastened to a vertical suspender 5 by a special mounting preventing slippage during turns. To reduce the influence of magnetic inducings the pendulum was grounded and additionally screened by metallic grid from all sides. The period of free oscillations of the pendulum made were about 40 s.

Rigidity of the pendulum vertical suspender could be changed by means of limiting the length of effectively operating part of the suspender. As a result, the period of oscillations could be continuously changed within the limits of 40 to 27 s.

To reduce the influence of mechanical noise and to introduce additional attenuation in pendulum oscillations two liquid dampers 10 and 11 located near the pendulum massive loads were used.

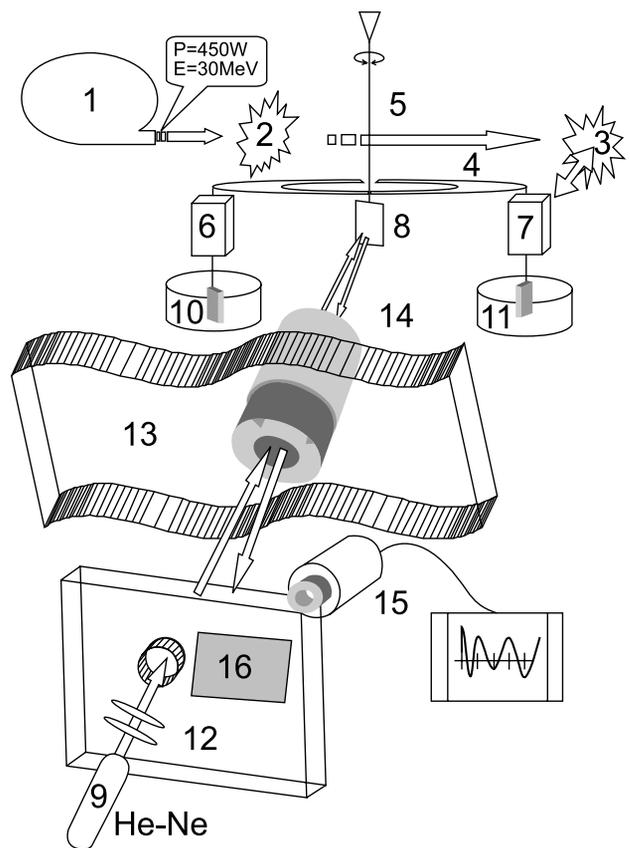


Fig. 1

Experimental device

- 1 – microtron, brake target made of wolfram – positions 2 or 3, 4 – rod, 5 – vertical suspender, 6 and 7 – massive loads, 8 – mirror, 9 – He-Ne laser, 10 and 11 – liquid dampers, 12 – optical system, 13 – concrete protection, 14 – observation channel, 15 – video system, 16 – screen.

Pendulum deflections were observed on a graduated screen by deflection of a laser beam reflected from a flat mirror 8. For this, the beam from a continuous He-Ne laser 9 through the optical system 12, which constricts the divergence angle of the laser beam, was directed to the mirror through a special narrow channel 14, located in concrete protection 13 around the microtron. By means of a video system 15 the beam reflected by the mirror was registered on the screen 16 located at a distance of 500 cm from the mirror. The video system allowed remote checking of vibrations of the laser spot and additionally enlarged the visual angle up to 12 times. The diameter of a focused laser beam on the screen was made 0.15 mm. The maximum turn angle of pendulum for the reflected beam to remain within the receiving channel was approximately 2 degrees. The accuracy of turn angle registration of the whole system was 5×10^{-4} degrees.

The pendulum was placed in such a way that one of the massive loads were close to the brake target at a distance

of about 20 cm. There was also an opportunity to move the brake target from one end of the pendulum (position 2) to the other (position 3). This allowed changing the place of deceleration of electron bunch at constant parameters of all unaccounted mechanical noise and magnetic inducing. Thus, direction of pendulum torsion was changed under probable exposure of occurring gravitational radiation.

Below there is a photo of the experimental plant (see also the colored photo on the cover page).



Calibration Measurements

To make measurements it was necessary to select optimal parameters of the pendulum (masses of loads, suspender rigidity and the value of oscillations attenuation). On the one hand, while carrying out the measurement it is desirable that the amplitude of pendulum oscillations should be as maximal as possible. On the other hand, the beam reflected from the mirror should not go outside the limits of observation, restricted by the diameter of the narrow observation channel in radiation protection around the accelerator. Besides, the typical operating time of the loaded accelerator usually is 10-15 minutes. Necessity to accumulate the minimum of sufficient statistical data within this time limited oscillations period and the time of setting of the pendulum in a new equilibrium position at outside influence. All these requirements were as far as possible taken into account during selection of the final setting parameters.

An example of free oscillations of the pendulum in the presence of minor mechanical vibrations caused by the operating of vacuum pumps is given in Fig 2, series I (the experiment took place on 31 May, 2001). The diagram shows the amplitude of laser beam oscillations on the screen 16 (upper and lower rows of values) depending on the number of oscillation. The laser beam is reflected from the mirror 8 which was fixed to the pendulum. The diagram also shows the current central equilibrium position (the central row) calculated by these amplitudes. Series I represents oscillations at influence

of the background mechanical noise. Series II represents the response of the pendulum to minor permanent outside force. Accuracy in determination of position of the center of a light spot was 0.1 mm.

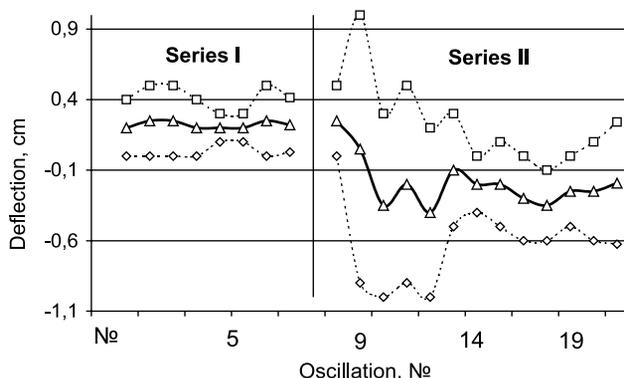


Fig. 2

Calibration Measurement 31 May, 2001

Measurement was carried out with one liquid damper in service and with increased rigidity of suspender (it was made by means of limiting the effectively operating suspender length). The period of free oscillations in these series was 29 sec. In this case there were set continuous oscillations of the pendulum around the average value of balance of 2.2 mm with the average amplitude of values fluctuation of about 0.2 mm.

Air cooling of one of the massive loads by a very light continuous air flow was carried out to study response of the pendulum to a minor constant external force. In this case (Fig 2 Series II) noticeable change of pendulum oscillations already took place after 3-4 periods. Absolute setting of a new balance took place after 7-8 oscillations.

In the case of another series of calibration measurement (held on 7 June, 2001) both liquid dampers were used and rigidity of suspender was decreased. The period of free oscillations of pendulum was about 40 sec.

Addition of the second damper and decrease of suspender rigidity caused, on the one hand, increase amplitude of pendulum oscillations at influence of the external force and, on the other hand, in that case noticeable change of the equilibrium position of the pendulum took place after 1-2 oscillations.

Periodical checking of the invariability of initial central position of pendulum balance in time was also carried out. Thus, for example, in the series of measurement of 7 June 2001 measurement of equilibrium position was checked not only before the start of the main series of measurement, but also 2 hours after completion of the main works.

Experimental Results and Their Analysis

Within the period from 17 May, 2001 to 7 June, 2001 7 measurement series were carried out at various operation modes of the accelerator and at various pendulum parameters.

A record of check of equilibrium position of the pendulum was carried out before and after switching off the electron bunch (as well as during calibration measurement). At the same time, all electric inducing and mechanical noise remained stable within the whole measurement period. This was achieved by means of additional switching on all the devices which were used during measurement (water and vacuum pumps, magnetron, deflecting magnets, etc.) and their switching off only on completion of the measurements.

In Fig. 3 there are results on measuring the central position of the pendulum when brake target is in position 3 (see Fig. 1). Series I and III on the diagram correspond to check measurement directly before switching on and several minutes after switching off the electron bunch. Series II-A and II-B totally reflect pendulum oscillations at the time when the accelerator is operating (for about 10 minutes) and for some time after the bunch is off. Additionally, a trend line is drawn (averaging by 3 points).

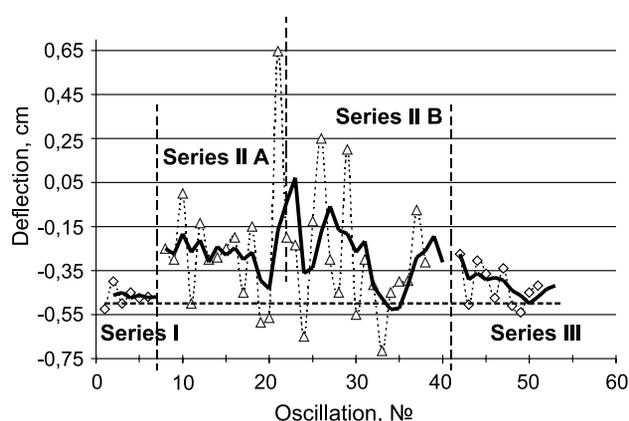


Fig. 3

Measurement of central position of pendulum equilibrium when brake target is in position 3.

Results of a similar experiment are given in Fig. 4. The only difference in this experiment is that the brake target is in position 2. Also a trend line is added (averaging by 3 points). Series I and III are check measurements made directly before switching on and after switching off the electron bunch. Series II are pendulum oscillations at the time when accelerator is operating.

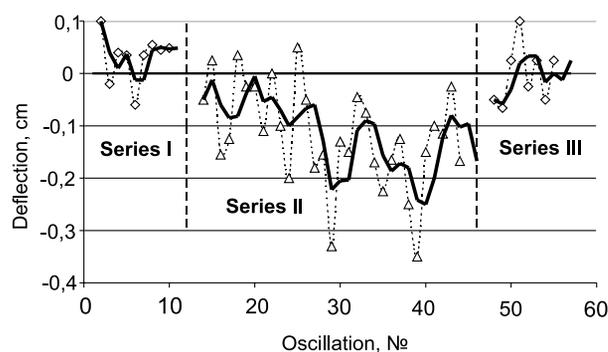


Fig. 4
Brake target in position 2

From qualitative comparison of trend lines (Fig. 3 and Fig. 4) it can be derived that there is a correlation between switching on the electron bunch and the average deflection of the pendulum from equilibrium position if compared to checked series before and after switching on. At that, direction of deflection changes depending on what pendulum load the brake target is close to.

Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond the control of the author it seems to be difficult to improve experiments accuracy or to accumulate much of statistical data by now. Estimate of the value of the force which may cause such a shift of position of pendulum equilibrium was carried out. In the experiments this deflection did not exceed 1-2 mm (in the units of registering scale). Calibration of a rigid suspender (if it applies to a massive load at a pendulum end) gives the upper boundary of this force of not more than 10^{-6} N.

Conclusion

A series of experiments were made on checking the possibility to generate a field at deceleration of charged massive particles in matter.

Electrons accelerator was used as a source of charged particles. A narrow bunch of relativistic electrons (average beam power is 450 Wt, electrons energy is about 30 MeV) was directed at a brake target made of wolfram where deceleration of accelerated electrons took place.

Measurement proved appearance of statistically reliable deflection of a torsion pendulum, one of massive loads of which was located close to a brake target by the time of deceleration of relativistic electrons.

Change of direction of pendulum torsion at shift of a brake target from one end of the pendulum to the other was also registered. The value of the force which causes pendulum deflection has the upper boundary of N.

Of course, these first experimental results on checking the predictions made on the basis of development of the model of extended space are of preliminary nature and need more thorough checking. That will be the basis of future experiments.

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