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As part of Fermilab's Proton Improvement Plan-II (PIP-II), the Fermilab Booster synchrotron will operate at a higher intensity, increasing from 4.5×1012 to 6.7×1012 protons per pulse. A potential challenge for achieving high-intensity performance arises from rapid transverse instabilities induced by electron clouds (EC). This research presents electron cloud simulations using PyECLOUD, which is an advanced computational tool that incorporates measurements of the secondary electron yield (SEY) from the Booster's combined function magnet material. By systematically varying beam parameters in PyECLOUD, such as bunch structure, bunch length, and intensity, the EC effects on beam stability and overall performance of Booster can be predicted.

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