

Progress on Experiments towards LWFA/TGU-Based FELs

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Extension of the concept towards FELs



Zh. Huang et al., PRL 109 (2012) Planar undulator P. Baxevanis et al. Pys.Rev.STAB 17 (2014) FEL gain suffers from large energy spread. E.g. gain length increase:

$$L_g \approx L_{g0} \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_\delta^2}{\rho_{\rm FEL}^2}\right)$$

with the Pierce parameter $ho_{\rm FEL} \lesssim 10^{-3}$ typically.

TGU modification

Assuming
$$K(x) = K_0(1 + \alpha x)$$
, $K_0 = \frac{e}{2\pi m_e c} \lambda_u B_{y0}$

and dispersion matching

$$D_{X}=rac{2+K_{0}^{2}}{lpha K_{0}^{2}}$$
,

FEL performance can be largely enhanced.

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Figure: GENESIS simulation comparing options for a 3.9 nm-FEL, $E_0 = 1$ GeV, $\lambda_u = 10$ mm, $K_0 = 2$, $\alpha = 150$ m⁻¹

Huang et al., ibd.





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LWFA-TGU experimental projects



SIOM-SINAP-SLAC (China)	HI Jena-KIT (Germany)	
Source SIOM 200 TW laser facility Design energy 380 MeV Des. energy spread 1 % Beam transport scheme Single deflection TGU PMU, transversely tapered	Source JETI-40 laser facility Design energy 120 MeV Des. energy spread ~10 % Beam transport scheme Achromat-like dogleg TGU SCU, cylindric	
$\begin{array}{ccc} \lambda_{\rm u} & 20 \ {\rm mm} \\ \alpha & 50 \ {\rm m}^{-1} \end{array} \\ {\color{black}{\bf Approach}} \\ {\color{black}{\rm Direct}} & {\color{black}{\rm LWFA-TGU-XFEL}} \\ {\color{black}{\rm demonstration}} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{ccc} \lambda_{\rm u} & 10.5{\rm mm} \\ \alpha & 150{\rm m}^{-1} \\ \hline {\rm Approach} \\ {\rm Intermediate\ step:\ spontanous} \\ {\rm TGU\ radiation} \end{array}$	

Experiments at SIOM





Source: Cascaded LWFA





Wang et al., PRL 117 (2016)

Experiments at SIOM





LPA beam Sextupoles T. Liu et al., PRAB 20 (2017) TGU TGU



Dipole

Quadrupoles



Realized: 4 PM-TGUs		
λ_{u}	20 mm	
# periods	40	
K ₀	1.15	
α	50 m ⁻¹	

T. Liu et al., Proc. IPAC 2016





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SCTGU: General magnetic design



Design goals

- short period (aiming at EUV/X-Rays)
- *K* ≥ 1
- high transverse gradient

Parameters

period length λ_{u}	10.5 mn
gap @ symmetry axis h_{gap}	1.1 mm
pole radius <i>r</i> _{cyl}	30 mm
flux density ampl. $B_y(0)$	1.1 T
undulator parameter K_{u0}	1.1
transverse gradient $\frac{\partial K}{\partial x}$	149 m ⁻
energy acceptance	$\pm 10\%$

V. Afonso Rodriguez et al., IEEE Trans Appl SC **23** (2013)

Result: cylindrical SCTGU





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SCTGU: Technical design details





Ponderomotive drift correction

internal long racetrack coils
 ⇒ iron-free coil former

Cryogenic concept

- LTC superconducting coils and HTC current leads
- \Rightarrow 4.2 K/77 K indirect cooling



Cryovac GmbH

SCTGU: Realization and quench test



2-period winding test



2-period short model



40-period undulator



Quench performance (bath)



SCTGU: Field measurements at CASPER I







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Beam dynamics inside the TGU



Matching conditions for finite-emittance beams



Particle tracking and analysis of spontanous radiation (E = 120 MeV, SCTGU10.5-P100)

Complete Matching Condition



Strategy: From spontanous radiation spectra deduce optimum dispersion and dynamic acceptance for each energy.

Example: Beam energies 120 MeV \pm 10 %, acceptance contours for 0.5 % wavelength deviation and 50 % peak intensity reduction.



Beam transport: design strategy







- start with achromatic dogleg
- matched to estimated initial and TGU matching conditions:

	initial	final	
E_0	120 Me\	/	
$\epsilon_{X,Y}$	10 nm rad		
β_X	$1.6 imes10^{-3}\mathrm{m}$	1.6 m	
αx	0	2.6	
β_y	$1.6 imes10^{-3}\mathrm{m}$	0.7 m	
αγ	0	0	

Beam transport: design strategy







 adjust "achromat" to finite dispersion

 $D_{x \,\mathrm{TGU}} = 20 \,\mathrm{mm}, \, D_{x \,\mathrm{TGU}}' = 0$

 chromatic correction: combined function quad-sext at Q₄₁, Q₄₂, Q₆, Q₈

 remark: bunch length grows moderately (by 40 %, R₅₆ = -3.6 × 10⁻⁴ m),

potential to make the transport nearly isochronous.

Beam transport: experimental setup at Jena





Experiment: In-vacuum Quadrupoles



Magnets were designed and manufactured in-house (KIT/Jena)



Characterization



Field gradient along axis for different operation currents and different scan methods

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Multipole strengths along axis for 1 A determined by circular Hall-probe scans

Experiment: Initial beam





rather instable pointing implied that averaging over \sim 30 shots was necessary throughout the experiment

Experiment: Iterative beam based alignment



Q1 vertical alignment with averaged images on Screen1



Experiment: Transport to spectrometer screen





- beam focused to spectrometer screen for different energies
- slight miscalibration and shadowing effects observed

C. Widmann, Dissertation, KIT, 2016



Transmission for 60 MeV-setting

A. Will, Master's thesis, KIT, 2016





Screen 2 (1.9 m), Q1-Q3





Screen 3 (3.2 m), Q1-Q3, D1, D2

y [mm]





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- align first triplet (Screen 2)
- switch on dipoles, focus to Screen 3
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Next steps



SCTGU

- installation in own cryostat
- measurement of 2D field map
- test with beam



SCTGU cryostat system test (2017)

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SCTGU with Hall probe sliding system

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Beam transport

- improved magnet alignment
 - pre-aligned groups
 - movable in 4 degrees of freedom
- test with beam
- chromatic correction





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- so far no showstoppers, lots of work remain to be done

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