

### 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<sup>-1</sup>

Huang et al., ibd.





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# LWFA-TGU experimental projects



SIOM-SINAP-SLAC (China)	HI Jena-KIT (Germany)	
SourceSIOM 200 TW laser facilityDesign energy380 MeVDes. energy spread1 %Beam transport schemeSingle deflectionTGUPMU, transversely tapered $\lambda_u$ $\alpha$ 50 m <sup>-1</sup> Approach	$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$	
Direct LWFA-TGU-XFEL demonstration	Intermediate step: spontanous TGU radiation	

# **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

### Transverse Gradient Undulators

Dipole

Quadrupoles



Realized: 4 PM-TGUs		
$\lambda_{u}$	20 mm	
# periods	40	
$K_0$	1.15	
α	$50{ m m}^{-1}$	

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 $\lambda_{u}$	10.5 mm
gap @ symmetry axis $h_{gap}$	1.1 mm
pole radius $r_{cyl}$	30 mm
flux density ampl. $B_{\gamma}(0)$	1.1 T
undulator parameter $K_{u0}$	1.1
transverse gradient $\frac{\partial K}{\partial x}$	149 m <sup>-1</sup>
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 <sub>0</sub>	120 MeV	
$\epsilon_{x,y}$	10 nm rae	d
$\beta_x$	$1.6 imes10^{-3}\mathrm{m}$	1.6 m
$\alpha_X$	0	2.6
$\beta_y$	$1.6 imes10^{-3}\mathrm{m}$	0.7 m
$\alpha_y$	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 Q<sub>41</sub>, Q<sub>42</sub>, Q<sub>6</sub>, Q<sub>8</sub>

 remark: bunch length grows moderately (by 40 %, R<sub>56</sub> = -3.6 × 10<sup>-4</sup> 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

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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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