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Accurate electron beam phase-space theory for ionization injection schemes

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After the introduction of high-quality electron beam generation methods as two-color [1] or the Resonant Multi Pulse Ionization injection (ReMPI) [2], the theory of thermal emittance by C. Schroeder et al. [3] has been used to predict the beam normalized emittance obtainable with those schemes. We [4] recast and extend such a theory, including both higher order terms in the polinomial laser field expansion and corrections due to the onset of saturation effects within a single cycle. Also, a very accurate model for predicting the cycle averaged distribution of the extracted electrons, including saturation and multi-process events, is proposed and tested. The accurate prediction of the beam phase-space can be implemented e.g. in laser-envelope or hybrid PIC/fluid codes, to correctly mimic the cycle-averaged momentum distribution without the need of resolving the intra-cycle dynamics. We introduce further spatial averaging, obtaining expressions for the whole-beam emittance fitting with simulations in a saturated regime, too.

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