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High transformer ratio of multi-channel dielectric wakefield structures and real-time diagnostic for charging and damage of dielectrics*

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Abstract:

Dielectric wake field (DWA) accelerator concepts are receiving attention of late, on account of their promising performance, mechanical simplicity, and anticipated low cost. Interest in DWA physics directed toward an advanced high-gradient accelerator has been enhanced by a finding that some dielectrics can withstand very high fields (> 1 GV/m) for the short times during the passage of charged bunches along dielectric-lined channels. In a two-channel structure, a drive bunch train propagates in a first channel, and in the second adjacent channel where a high gradient wakefield develops, a witness bunch is accelerated. Compared with single-channel DWA's, a two-beam accelerator delivers a high transformer ratio, and thereby reduces the number of drive beam sections needed to achieve a given final test beam energy. An overview of multi-channel DWA structures will be given, with an emphasis on two-channel structures, presenting their advantages and drawbacks, and potential impact on the field. Studies that were aimed to study charging rate and charge distribution in a thin walled dielectric wakefield accelerator from a passing charge bunch and the physics of conductivity and discharge phenomena in dielectric materials useful for such accelerator applications will also be briefly presented.

Dielectric Loaded Structures advantages

1. Can sustain accelerating gradients in access of 100 MV/m in upper GHz

M. Conde et al., "High Gradient Excitation and RF Power Generation using Dielectric Loaded Wakefield Structures," LINAC'08, Victoria, September 2008, MOP067; http://www.JACoW.org.

2. Can sustain gradients of a few GV/m in THz frequency range

M. C. Thompson et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 214801, (2008).

Foreseeable normal and superconducting structures are limited in achievable gradients... hence Dielectric Loaded structures may offer a solution

Relativistic beam transports the energy to the accelerating structures,

Difficulties of generating and distributing RF power by conventional means are decreased

Wakefields constitute RF pulses that are of short duration and high peak intensity.

Dielectric Loaded structures offer simpler geometries, and easier fabrication

There are no features that promote field enhancement

It is possible that the accelerating field can be made nearly-uniform across the transverse cross-section

The damping of undesired modes may be more easier done, than in conventional structures

As compared to other wakefield schemes, DWA can accelerate both electrons and positrons in identical fashion







Common problem:

How to focus both the drive bunches and the test bunch?

High gradient limits due to single bunch beam breakup in a <u>collinear</u> dielectric wakefield accelerator , C. Li, W. Gai, C. Jing, J. G. Power, C. X. Tang, and A. Zholents Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 17, 091302 (2014) - Published 16 September 2014



FIG. 1. Schematic of a DWA linac surrounded by a FODO lattice. The quadrupole field gradient B' is tapered to match the energy loss of the drive bunch along the linac. The final energy of the drive bunch at the end of the structure is 20% of its initial energy.

- 1. addresses the drive bunch focusing
- 2. will it be applicable to other schemes ?

Analytical and numerical studies of underdense and overdense regimes in plasma-dielectric wakefield accelerators

Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research Section A: Accelerators, Spectrometers, Detectors and Associated Equipment, Volume 740, 11 March 2014, Pages 124-129 G.V. Sotnikov, R.R. Kniaziev, O.V. Manuilenko, P.I. Markov, T.C. Marshall, I.N. Onishchenko



G > 200 MeV/m



outer radius of dielectric tube	600 microns
inner radius of dielectric tube	500 microns
relative dielectric constant, ε (fused silica liner)	3.75
drive bunch charge	3 nC
drive bunch length, L _b (box distribution)	200 microns
drive bunch radius, r _b (box distribution)	450 microns
drive bunch electron density, n _b	1.47 x 10 ¹⁴ cm ⁻³
n _b /n _p	1/3

Collinear schemes require

- 1. Profiled bunches, or
- 2. Profiles bunch trains (RBT)

to get high transformer ratio (TR).

... but is it enough of it ?



 E_d – (initial) energy of the drive bunch

 $\eta_d - efficiency$

L – the length of section

n_c – number of sections

 E_f – final energy of the accelerated bunch

 $D_g = E_d \eta_d / L - deceleration gradient$

 $A_g = E_f / n_c L$ - acceleration gradient,

 $T = A_g / D_g$ - transformer ratio

$$n_c = (E_f / E_d \eta_d) T^{-1}$$





Crystal Ball :

On the Future High Energy Colliders *

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Phenomenological Cost Model

Cost(TPC)= $\alpha L^{1/2} + \beta E^{1/2} + \gamma P^{1/2}$

"Total Project Cost "Tunnels" – Cost "Energy" – Cost of "Site Power"in <u>the US accounting"</u> Civil Construction Accelerator Components Infrastructure

where α, β, γ – technology dependent constants

- α≈ 2B\$/sqrt(L/10 km)
- β≈ 10B\$/sqrt(E/TeV) for SC&NC RF
- β≈ 2B\$ /sqrt(E/TeV) for SC magnets
- β≈ 1B\$ /sqrt(E/TeV) for NC magnets
- γ≈ 2B\$/sqrt(P/100 MW)

Let:

RPF = test pulse repetition frequency n_t - number of test particles in one test bunch η_t - efficiency (acceleration) η_w - efficiency (wall plug to drive bunches) p_0 - power per section w/o RF M - cost (TCP)

$$M = E_f^{1/2} \left[\alpha \left(\frac{L}{E_d \eta_d} \frac{1}{T} \right)^{1/2} + \beta + \gamma \left(\frac{p_0}{E_d \eta_d} \frac{1}{T} + \frac{n_t PRF}{\eta_w \eta_d \eta_t} \right)^{1/2} \right]$$

Large $T \rightarrow$ Smaller cost

Multi-channel schemes

- 1. Can use RBT and profiled bunches !
- 2. Naturally deliver high TR even with a single unprofiled bunch !
- 3. Focusing of drive bunches and accelerated bunches?



PETS-like schemes

TBA = Two Beam Acceleration



- 1. Independent beam-line optics \rightarrow easier to design and to stage
- 2. Structures can be optimized independently \rightarrow easier design

3. Broadband couplers and microwave-energy transmission line are required... how to ??

4. Not broadband ??

AN X-BAND DIELECTRIC-BASED WAKEFIELD POWER EXTRACTOR*

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Parameters	PETS	DWPE
Beam Aperture (mm)	23	23
Effective Length (cm)	21.3	23
Group velocity	0.453c	0.485c
R/Q(ohm/m)	2290	2172
Q	7200	7317
Generated Power (MW)	135	142
Esurf(MV/m/135MW)	56	20



Required pulse length 240ns

Achieved (in RF tests) 100-120 ns at 40 MW

Issues because of multipacting

Coaxial Structure

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Coaxial two-channel high-gradient dielectric wakefield accelerator

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- 1. Medium- to high- transformer ratio;
- 2. No need for coupling structures to transfer the energy from the drive beam to the witness beam;
- 3. Inherent transverse focusing forces acting on the witness bunch
- 4. Nearly stable motion of the drive bunch?

912.459 GHz
1060.5 μm
1047.5 μm
89.5 μm
50.0 μm
5.7
34.64 μm
718.5 μm
418.5 μm
5 GeV
6 nC



Transverse and longitudinal forces acting on the witness bunch





FIG. 6. (Color) The value of the composite longitudinal electric field at the first axial maximum and corresponding transformer ratio versus the dimension of the drive channel. The thickness of the outer dielectric shell is fixed and equal 13 μ m. The other parameters are the same as those in Table I.

FIG. 7. The location (from drive bunch center) of the first maximum of the accelerating field versus the width of the drive channel. The thickness of the outer dielectric shell is fixed and equal to 13 μ m. The other parameters are as in Table I.

What about asymmetries in the drive bunch distribution, and/or the device geometry ?



Accelerated Bunch Stability in a Coaxial Dielectric Wakefield Structure When its Symmetry is Broken

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dielectric



Drive bunch charge = 6nC; Displaced by 5 microns; The witness gets displaced by 50 microns over 1 m.

Problem ? Need corrections to the trajectory by other means every meter.



 $B_g = -1 T$ (at the source)

one revolution of the drive bunch over 3 - 4 m

Proof-of-Principle Experiment







AWA beam-line



18.82 GHz
~6
15.08 mm
13.5 mm
4 mm
2.4 mm
9.8
14 MeV
50 nC
< 10.75mm
> 6.75mm
< 1 nC
< 1.2 mm



Improved ramped bunch train to increase the transformer ratio of a two-channel multimode dielectric wakefield accelerator

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A recipe:

- -- to have high TR in a coaxial multimode [a few-mode] structure, and
- to have all the drive bunches to have the same deceleration (so that the drive train can be use efficiently)



Demonstrated (theoretically) that T can be enhanced by a factor of almost 5 with 4 ramped drive bunches

Comparison of experimental tests and theory for a rectangular two-channel dielectric wakefield accelerator structure

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T = 12.6 :1





14.2 9.01nC drive drive c-to-c change OFF ON 8.391 0 L -10 n. 10 Shift, mm

0.7 0.6

0.5

0.4

0.3 0.2

0.1

Recalculating for the 50nC of drive and normalizing per 1m: To have loss, Fz must be up to -4.95 / - 5.5 MeV/m +2.75 / 5.5 MeV/m To have gain, Fz must be up to



4.65 / 5.12 MeV/m





FIG. 13. (a) Simulations of F_z for the test channel [values are renormalized to 50 nC (see explanations in the text)] for the delay 10.7 mm. (b) Typical energy distribution (observed in 80% of shots; normalized to 1). (c) CST MICROWAVE STUDIO simulations to predict changes in the energy distribution [for case #2 in Table V, and the drive bunch being shifted off the center of its respective channel by 2 mm (toward the test channel)].



FIG. 14. Simulations of F_z for the test channel [values are renormalized to 50 nC (see explanations in the text)] for the delay 21.7 mm. (b) Typical energy distribution (observed in 80% of shots; raw intensity data are shown). (c) Simulations to predict changes in the energy distribution (for case #3 in Table V).





FIG. 15. (a) Simulations of F_x for the test channel. (b) Typical bunch horizontal distribution (observed in 80%–85% of shots, normalized to 1) for the delay was 5.7 mm. (c) Simulations that predict changes in the horizontal distribution [for case #1 in Tables V and VI, for the drive bunch being shifted off the center of its respective channel by 2 mm (toward the test channel)].

FIG. 16. (a) Simulations of F_x for the test channel. (b) Typical bunch horizontal distribution (observed in 80% of shots, normalized to 1) when the delay was 10.7 mm. (c) Predicted changes in horizontal distribution [case #2 in Tables V and VI with the drive bunch being shifted off the center of its respective channel by 2 mm (toward the test channel)].



GHz –scale structure can be scaled down to a THz-scale structure with nearly the same **T**

... but what to do with the witness bunch deflection (X) and weak-defocusing (Y) ?





Analysis of a Symmetric Terahertz Dielectric-Lined Rectangular Structure for High Gradient Acceleration

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T = 18 - 20A_g ~ 350 MV/m driven by two bunches that propagate in sync in parallel drive channels



LSM ₄₁ design mode eigenfrequency ($v_{\text{phase}} = c$)	1003.43 GHz
drive channels dimensions $2a_1 = 2a_3$	0.958 mm
Accl. channel dimensions $2a_2$	0.1 mm
structure height 2d	0.6 mm
transformer ratio	~20
slab-1 and slab-4 thickness	0.013 mm
slab-2 and slab-3 thickness	0.0395 mm
slab relative dielectric constant	5.7
bunch size	$0.3 \times 0.3 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}^3$
bunch energy	5 GeV
bunch charge	3 nC
bunch charge density	277.8 nC/mm ³
peak beam current	7.5 kA
number of bunches in each drive channel	1
first drive bunch center location, x	0.492 mm
second drive bunch center location x	1.629 mm

TABLE I. Parameters for a three-channel symmetric dielectric wakefield accelerator module.



FIGURE 6. Two sections of a modular accelerator showing the 90 degree rotation about the axis of the witness bunch channel which provides dynamical stabilization for the witness bunches in a pair of units.

This can address the issues of how to have a stable witness bunch motion

However, speaking of the drive bunches...

... how to focus, or at least keep them weakly-unstable remains a big question ?

Having two sync drive bunches in parallel makes it very difficult to design a focusing scheme.

In short:

1. Multi-channel schemes can deliver large T (transformer ratio)

2. Which results in large cost-savings when building the machine

3. THz-scale (mm-scale) structures can deliver gradients 300 -500 MV/m

4. However, the problems with keeping the witness bunches stable, and at least keeping the drive bunches unstable... ... are still to be addressed

5. Charging effects, or effects of strong wakefields on dielectrics... ... are still to be investigated/ discovered

multi frequency generator





Changes in the resonant Frequency (MHz) vs. Time (ms)

Changes in the Q-factor vs. Time (ms).

This is plotted as $(1/Q-1/Q_{\xi})$, where the latest in the Q-factor when there is no plasma



Changes in Real part of dielectric constant vs. Time (ms)

Changes in the loss-tan and the Imaginary part of dielectric constant vs. Time (ms)



Electron density (×10⁹ cm⁻³) vs Time

- can detect the densities at or even above 10¹⁰ cm⁻³
- can detect electron density at or even below ~ 10⁸ cm⁻³
- modifications are possible to push to 3 × 10⁷ cm⁻³ at micro-sec time scales



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