



Synchrotron radiation source based on laser wakefield accelerator inside plasma channel

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Laboratory for Laser Plasmas at SJTU



Our campus is 25km from downtown shanghai, 44km from Pudong international airport.

Leader: Prof. J. Zhang Lie-Jia Qian & Zheng-Ming Sheng

200TW laser system 10Hz 5J/25fs; kHz laser system; 400J laser system Both laser, experiment & theory group.







Laser Wakefield Acceleration Group at LLP, SJTU

Theory:

Z.M. Sheng, <u>M. Chen</u>, L.L. Yu, S.M. Weng 5 Graduated Students

Experiment:

J. Zhang, T. Sokollik, N. Hafz, F. Liu,X.H. Yuan

X.L. Ge+6 Graduated Students

Main topics:

- 1. Electron injection in Wakefields
- 2. Radiation in Wakefields (From THz to γ -ray)
- 3. Experimental studies on electron injection and radiation in LWFA







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SR light sources around us





Synchrotron Radiation Source





Planned X-ray FEL (world wide)

Acceleration Part



Radiation Part











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A new Technology for Accelerator and Radiation Source

Laser Wakefield—Acceleration cavity in plasma LWFA in Plasma Channel—Plasma undulator and deflection magnet



Revolution of Accelerator





New world record

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Viewpoint: Power to the Electrons

Georg Korn, ELI Beamlines, Institute of Physics of the Academy of Science, Czech Republic, 182 21 Prague 8, Czech Republic

December 8, 2014 • Physics 7, 125

A laser-driven particle accelerator, delivering a beam of electrons with a record-breaking energy of 4.2 giga-electron-volts, could lead to compact x-ray lasers or high-energy colliders.





Q Search articles

Multi-GeV Electron Beams from Capillary-Discharge-Guided Subpetawatt Laser Pulses in the Self-Trapping Regime

W. P. Leemans, A. J. Gonsalves, H.-S. Mao, K. Nakamura, C. Benedetti, C. B. Schroeder, Cs. Tóth, J. Daniels, D. E. Mittelberger, S. S. Bulanov, J.-L. Vay, C. G. R. Geddes, and E. Esarey

Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 245002 (2014)

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4.2 GeV 9cm, 310TW, 15J, 43fs, 6X10¹⁷/cm³ BELLA, LBNL, Wim Leemans, Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 245002 (2014) This morning, plenary talk by Wim Leemans



Current Main Challenges of LWFA

Trapped electron bunch lon cavity

Plasma electron sheath

High-current drive beam

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Direction 1 : High Energy

- 1. Laser Guiding– Diffraction
- 2. Velocity matching-Dephasing
- 3. Staging– Depletion

Direction 2: High Quality

- **1. Electron injection**
- 2. Transverse acceleration structure control
- 3. Longitudinal control

New generation of

Radiation Source

New generation of collider



LWFA based radiation sources

LWFA based radiation mechanisms :

- 1. Betatron Radiation due to transverse oscillation (X ray)
- 2. Transition radiation (From plasma to vacuum, THz ray)
- 3. Laser electron Thomson scattering ($X \sim \gamma$ ray)
- Using external magnets:

Wiggler or undulator, Thomson, Compton scattering sources





How to make the electrons experience similar trajectories as those in synchrotron? Not the normal betatron motion in wakefield

Periodic oscillation trajectory





Undulator radiation



Curved trajectory



Deflection magnet radiation



Using plasma channel to control laser propagation

$$|a|^{2} = (a_{0}r_{0}/g_{s})^{2}\exp(-2r^{2}/r_{s}^{2})$$

$$\frac{d^2 R}{dz^2} = \frac{1}{Z_M^2 R^3} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta n}{\Delta n_c} R^4 \right)$$

$$r_s = r_i$$
 and $r_s = (\Delta n / \Delta n_c)^{1/2} r_0^2 / r_c^2$



Laser self-focusing in plasma



$$\lambda_{os} = \pi Z_M (\Delta n / \Delta n_c)^{1/2}$$

Whole laser oscillation in plasma



M. Chen et al., arXiv:1503.08311 (2015)

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Channel width effects on laser & e⁻ oscillation



Pathak VB, Proceedings of the 41st EPS (2014)



Off-axis distance & injection angle effects



M. Chen et al, arXiv:1503.08311 (2015)



Difference with the normal Betatron Oscillation



Both oscillation amplitude and period can be tuned in this new scheme.





Wake center evolution along acceleration distance

J. Luo et al, to be submitted (2015)



Radiation spectra from plasma undulators





Electron acceleration in a curved plasma channel





Open questions for simulations



We cannot afford such a large simulation box: diameter 6cm

Too big transverse size and only half circle simulation.



For the whole ring simulation



Box moving and rotating along the ring trajectory



Initial results for a synchrotron radiation ring



We reduced the transverse box size and used transverse periodic condition both for fields and particle motion.

It makes a part of curved plasma simulation affordable and successful.

The critical radiation frequency is about $\omega_c \sim \gamma^3 c/R$. There are $\gamma \simeq 1200$ and R = 3cm. This corresponds to the critical photon energy of 7 keV.



Other potential applications

1. Guided laser electron Thomson scattering



Laser electron beam overlapping in space and time is very difficult!



Using plasma channels! Wide open channel guiding both of the two lasers and electron beam.

2. Staged acceleration









- Guided LWFA in plasma channels can be used for both undulator and deflection magnet radiation.
- A palmtop size synchrotron like radiation source is possible by using curved plasma channel.
- Plasma devices (mirror, lens, undulator, bending magnet, ...) need to be further developed.

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