



LWFA electron beam manipulations for FEL amplification

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LPA BEAMS



T. Tajima and J. M. Dawson, Phys. Rev. Lett. 43, 267 (1979).

Main present characteristics :

Few hundreds MeV to 1 GeV energy

Few kA to 10 kA peak current

Short bunches ~ fs level

Large energy spread ~ percent level

Large initial divergence ~ mrad level

They complicate the transfer and FEL





BEAM DECOMPRESSION

A. R. Maier et al., PRX 2012

Decompress the bunch to cope with the large energy spread







BEAM DECOMPRESSION





Transverse Gradient Undulator

T. Smith et. al., J. Appl. Phys. 50, 4580 (1979): Low gainZ. Huang et al., PRL 109, 204801, 2012: High gain

Use a Transverse Gradient Undulator (TGU) to cope with the large energy spread



Gradient and horizontal dispersion

All electrons are matched to the resonant wave length and participate to the FEL amplification

No decompression and high peak current

Potentially high peak FEL power

Beam transfer from the source very challenging regards to the large transverse chromatic emittance ...





Trailing particles



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Chromatic emittance \propto L

Divergence lengthening $\propto~\text{L}$

Quadrupole strength \propto 1 / L

Electromagnetic quadrupole not compact and not strong enough

Use of Permanent Magnet Quadrupoles (PMQ) : few hundreds of T/m L few cm

The normalized chromatic emittances are still rather large

at 400 MeV with 1 mrad and 1% rms ==> ~ 4
$$\pi$$
.mm.mrad rms
2 2% ==> ~ 32 π .mm.mrad rms
 $\gamma \epsilon_{chrom} \sim \gamma \sigma_{x'}^2 \sigma_{\delta}$



C. Widman et al., IPAC 2014

Correct it (or reduce) by means of sextupoles in dispersive area :



- ==> Very challenging due to very large chromatic effects ...
 ==> Induce large phase space distortions
- To give an idea : The chromaticities are as large as Synchrotron rings ! (Few hundred of meters and hundred of sextupoles)





Refocus the beam by means of plasma lens :

C. Thaury et al., Nat. Com. 2014 R. Lehe et al., Phy. Plasma, 2014





Very strong focusing (electrical monopole) in both planes Very close : L ~ millimeter scale

- ==> Divergence experimentally reduced by 2.6
- ==> Able to reduce, in principle, the chromatic terms

 $\gamma \epsilon_{chrom} \sim \gamma \sigma_{x'}^2 \sigma_{\delta}$ Lengthening $\sim \sigma_{x}^2$

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Longitudinal phase space



Transverse phase spaces





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Channel of quadrupoles from source to undulator centre







An second triplet of quadrupole (at least) is mandatory to operate the chromatic tuning







==> The chromatic matching provides a high electron density + a constant transverse size



A. Loulergue et al., NJP 2015

Synchronization slippage : Electron slice waist = Photon FEL wave

Fix the chicane strength :
$$r_{56} = -\frac{1}{3}r_{11}r_{126}\frac{\lambda_{photon}}{\lambda_{undulator}} = -\frac{1}{3}r_{11}^2c_{11}\frac{\lambda_{photon}}{\lambda_{undulator}}$$
 Naturally positive

Up to second order, with large divergence, this relation is independent from the electron source :

==> Not sensitive to initial divergence, energy spread, pointing ...

The chicane has a weak effect on the transverse focusing (1st and higher order)

==> ~ Act only on the longitudinal plane

In practice : Set the quadrupoles and scan the chicane strength r_{56}





S. Fritzler et al., PRL 2004 W.P. Leemans et al., Nat. Phy. 2006 C. Rechatin et al., PRL 2009 O. Lundh et al., Nat. Phy. 2011

400 MeV Initial LPA beam :

 $\begin{cases} 4 \text{ kA peak} \\ 1 \mu \text{m rms length} \\ 1 \% \text{ rms relative energy spread} \\ 1 \text{ mrad rms divergence} \\ \gamma \epsilon = 1 \pi.\text{mm.mrad rms} \end{cases}$

6D Gaussian distribution input model (no correlation)

- + Electrons tracking including higher order terms
- + FEL tracking with GENESIS code (S. Reiche, NIM 1999)







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400 MeV - 10 kW SEED at 40 nm over 5 m





Chromatic matching movie



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TGU vs chromatic matching

W. Qin et al. FEL 2015



500 MeV - SASE at 30 nm over 6 m





Experiment preparation ...

... to get an FEL amplification

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Experiment preparation

COXINEL

Salle jaune, LOA



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Conclusion

What ever is the beam manipulation, matching the beam from LPA to undulator for FEL experiment is still very challenging ...

Stability

Low charge, low rep. rate

Magnet alignment

Optic tuning

Beam based fine tuning, fine alignment !

==> Need beam time





Thank you for your attention ...







Envelops, emittance and bunch lenght





COXINEL SIMULATION

Transverse beam density 3 2.5 2 (m) 1.5 T 1 0.5 0 0 S bunch (µm) -10 -5 5 10



GENESIS : FEL power



Peak power maximum when electron waist slippage is synchronized with the FEL optical wave slippage :

==> chicane strength knob



PMQ sensitivities vs FEL





Collective effects on slices

180 MeV : 4 kA decompressed to 400 A, r_{56} = 1 mm





Extra slide



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Single spike

400 MeV - 10 kW SEED at 40 nm over 5 m







Magnification varaition

