

A Dielectric Wakefield Streaker for Longitudinal Bunch Profile Measurements

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Dielectric Wakefield Acceleration

- Cherenkov radiation produced by electron beams in a DLW:
 - Trailing witness/main bunch accelerated by the wakefield produced
 - Structures can sustain ~800 MV/m accelerating gradients
- Area of large focus internationally (Snowmass, ESPP)
 - Aim to show the technology can work over large distances





300 MV/m accelerating gradient for electron bunch at SLAC (O'Shea et.al 2016 Nature)



drive electron bunch, accelerating a trailing bunch



Transverse Fields in DLWs

- Fields can be approximated as quadrupole-like with dipole term growing with offset
- Field strength grows exponentially with distance from axis
- We have shown the streaking effect and behavior with offset at CLARA







- Measurements at CLARA using 35 MeV, ~100 pC, 800 fs bunches
- DLW had a 200um thick quartz layer, with a 2mm half-gap







Passive Diagnostics with Dielectrics

- So long as the streak is monotonic:
 - Self-synchronised -> fields independent of beam-to-beam variation
 - Longitudinal profile converted to transverse profile
 - Small physical and energy footprint
- Diagnostic for a wide range of facilities
 - Focus on either 'novel accelerator' type beam or facility like CLARA FEBE upgrade





Dielectric Streakers

- Other facilities have explored the potential of dipole wakefields for streaking
 - Corrugated structure at SwissFEL for bunch reconstruction and FEL power profile reconstruction
 - Femtosecond resolution obtained for bunches with rms bunch length 10-30 fs



Example streaked/unstreaked beam and reconstructed profiles at SwissFEL (Dijkstal 2022 Physical Review Research)



Streaker Optimisation

- Shorter bunches:
 - Always monotonic so maximise the streak only
 - Very thin, quartz layer
- Longer bunches:
 - Need to increase wavelength for monotonic profile
 - Thicker plate, higher permittivity
- For even longer bunches reduce the offset for longer wavelength





Minimising Transverse Streak Variation

- Take advantage of the quadrupole-like fields to cancel streak variation
- Electron beam on-axis through second shorter DLW
- Reduction from 120% variation to 30% variation
- More monotonic streak





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Expected Resolution

- Resolution is given by:
 - $r(s) = \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_Y(s)}{R_{12}\frac{dK_0(s)}{ds}}}_{R_{12}\frac{dK_0(s)}{ds}}$ Transverse beam size at s Longitudinal variation in streak

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- Average is the instantaneous resolution weighted by charge
- Resolution is enough for reconstruction across 5 to 800 fs





Bunch Profile Reconstruction

Transverse profile gives a first estimate for Fy profile

Coordinate transform for first longitudinal profile estimate

Reconstructed profile is the minimized variation with measured streak

Calculate expected Fy from this profile

Simulate the streak from this profile and Fy

Change the profile

Variation with actual measured streak



Conclusions and Outlook

- Dielectric streaker can be used to effectively convert longitudinal bunch profile to a transverse profile on screen
- Two ways to make this diagnostic work across a 'broadband' bunch length range
 - High frequency and low frequency streaker together
 - Reduce the offset for longer bunches
- Need to show reconstruction will work experimentally, especially with very short bunches
 - Upcoming experiments at the Gemini facility to test streaker and streak reconstruction



Additional slides



Varying Bunch Profile



