



### **Beam Diagnostics using Lasers II**

### **Electro-Optic Longitudinal Profile Diagnostics**

### **Current Status & Future Directions**

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# Femtosecond resolution bunch profile diagnostics

(predominantly for electrons)

#### Menu:

- The need for longitudinal (temporal) bunch diagnostics
- Two distinct classes of temporal diagnostics: direct particle & radiative techniques
- Transverse deflecting cavities
- Spectral domain techniques
- Electro-optic techniques

#### The need for femtosecond longitudinal diagnostics

#### 1. Advanced Light Sources: 4<sup>th</sup> generation

Free-Electron Lasers

kA peak currents required for collective gain

- 200fs FWHM, 200pC (...2008 standard)
- 10fs FWHM, 10pC (>2008... increasing interest)
- **2. Particle Physics:** Linear Colliders (CLIC, ILC) e<sup>+</sup>-e<sup>-</sup> and others Short bunches, high charge, high quality, for *luminosity* 
  - ~300fs rms, ~1nC
  - stable, known (smooth?) longitudinal profile
- **3. LPWAs:** Laser-plasma accelerators produce ultra-short electron bunches!
  - 1-5 fs FWHM ,  $\sim$  20pC (and perhaps even smaller in future)

#### Diagnostics needed for...

• Verification of electron beam optics

- Machine tune-up
- Machine longitudinal feedback (non-invasive)

Significant influence on bunch profile from wakefields, space charge, CSR, collective instabilities... machine stability & drift ⇒ must have a single-shot diagnostic



### Two distinct classes of diagnostics

Grouped by similar physics and capabilities/limitations

Direct Particle Techniques

 $\begin{array}{l} \rho(t) \ \rightarrow \ \rho(x) \\ \mbox{longitudinal} \ \rightarrow \ \mbox{transverse imaging} \end{array}$ 

Transverse deflecting cavities

 $\rho(t) \rightarrow \rho(x') \rightarrow \rho(x)$ 

RF zero-phasing

 $\rho(t) \rightarrow \rho(\gamma) \rightarrow \rho(x)$ 

"Radiative" Techniques

 $\begin{array}{rl} \rho(t) \ \rightarrow \ E(t) & \ldots \ \text{propagating \&} \\ & \text{non-propagating} \end{array}$ 

#### Spectral domain:

- CTR, CDR, CSR (spectral characterisation)
- Smith-Purcell
- Electro-Optic

#### Time domain:

- Electro-Optic
- Optical Replica
- CTR, CDR (autocorrelation)

### **Transverse deflecting cavities (TDC)**





cavity: transverse kick

beam optics : transverse streak

$$\Delta y'_{\rm cav}(z) = \frac{eV}{pc} \sin(\frac{2\pi z}{\lambda_{\rm cav}} + \phi)$$

$$\Delta y_{\rm screen}(z) = \left\{ \sqrt{\beta_{\rm c}\beta_{\rm s}} \sin(\Delta \psi) \right\} \, \Delta y'_{\rm cav}(z)$$

### Time resolution scaling

 $\alpha = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{deflection gradient} \\ \bar{\gamma}^{1/2} \end{array} \right.$ 

Diagnostic capabilities linked to beam optics



Rohrs et al. Phys Rev ST (2009)



- Introduce energy chirp to beam via "linear" near-zero crossover of RF
- Measure energy spread with downstream spectrometer  $\Rightarrow$  infer initial

bunch profile

#### time resolution dependent on:

- gradient of energy gain
- dispersion of spectrometer
- initial energy spread

initial  $\gamma$ -z correlation ?





### **RF** zero-phasing examples

#### DUV-FEL: at 75 MeV



time resolution of ~50 fs

Graves et al. PAC 2001

#### LCLS: at ~ 9 GeV

- 550m of linac at RF zero crossing!
- 6m dispersion on A-line spectrometer



#### $1\mu m = 3$ fs rms bunch length

Huang et al. PAC 2011

### "Radiative" Techniques

Cause bunch to radiate coherently



#### **Techniques & limitations:**

CSR/CTR :pCDR :aOptical Replica:eElectro-Optic:d

propagation effects; detector response; missing phase as for CSR/CTR; plus emission response emission response (? radiating undulator) detector response





### **Common Problem - Field at Source**

Field radiated or probed is related to Coulomb field near electron bunch



Time response & spectrum of field dependent on spatial position, R:  $\delta t \sim 2R/c\gamma$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  ultrafast time resolution needs close proximity to bunch

(N.B. equally true of CDR, Smith-Purcell, Electro-optic, etc)



### **Spectral domain techniques**

**Bunch form factor** 

**Coherent diffraction radiation** Coherent transition radiation **Coherent synchrotron radiation Smith-Purcell radiation** 

far-IR/mid-IR spectrum



- More than an octave spanning in frequency
- Short wavelengths describe the fast structure
- long wavelengths needed for bunch reconstruction

Simplicity (not always!) Empirical machine information, real time Information on fast and slow structure

#### Against:

No explicit time profile (but reconstruction *may* be possible) Significant calibration issues

#### example: single shot CTR spectrometer at FLASH



cascaded dispersive grating elements, and pyroelectric detector arrays



### **Concept of electro-optic profile diagnostic**



(all-optical intra-beamline pickup of relativistic bunch Coulomb field)

Principle: Convert Coulomb field of e-bunch into an optical intensity variation

Encode Coulomb field on to an optical probe pulse - from Ti:Sa or fibre laser



Detect polarisation rotation proportional to E or E<sup>2</sup>, depending on set-up

### Physics of EO encoding ... standard description

Refractive index modified by external (quasi)-DC electric field





quasi-DC description ok if  $\tau_{laser} \ll$  time scale of  $E_{DC}$  variations (basis for Pockels cells, sampling electro-optic THz detection, ...)

N.B. Time-varying refractive index is a restricted approximation to the physics (albeit a very useful and applicable formalism for majority of situations)

### **Electro-Optic Techniques**

#### Variations in read-out of optical temporal signal

#### **Spectral Decoding**







#### **Temporal Decoding**



#### Spectral upconversion\*\*



- Chirped optical input
- Spectral readout
- Use time-wavelength relationship
- o Ultrashort optical input
- Spatial readout (EO crystal)
- Use time-space relationship
- Long pulse + ultrashort pulse gate
- Spatial readout (cross-correlator crystal)
- Use time-space relationship
  - quasi-monochomatic optical input (long pulse)
  - Spectral readout
  - \*\*Implicit time domain information only

#### complexity





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#### **1. Spectral Decoding**



Attractive simplicity for low time resolution measurements e.g. injector diagnostics

Rely on t- $\lambda$  relationship of input pulse for interpreting output optical spectrum. Resolution limits come from the fact that the EO-generated optical field doesn't have the same t- $\lambda$  relationship

temporal resolution limits...

In general spectral decoding limited by chirp

$$T_{\rm lim} = \sqrt{12\pi\beta}$$

For specific laser profiles, can relate to FWHM durations...



 $\tau_{\rm lim} = 2.61 \sqrt{T_0 T_c}$ ; for a Gaussian pulse

Unlikely to get better than 1.0 ps (FWHM) with spectral decoding

Concepts based on  $T_c$  <20 fs pulses must address extra problems of optical GVD (not clear these can be overcome without significant complication)

### 2. Single-shot Temporal Decoding (EOTD)



(gives best time resolution at present)

Temporal profile of probe pulse → Spatial image of SHG pulse

Rely on EO crystal (ZnTe) producing a *optical temporal replica* of Coulomb field Measure optical replica with *t-x* mapping in 2<sup>nd</sup> Harmonic Generation (SHG)

- stretched & chirped laser pulse leaving EO crystal assembly measured by short laser pulse via single-shot cross correlation in BBO
- Iarge (~1mJ) laser pulse energy required (via Ti:Sa amplifier)

Technique limited by

- gate pulse duration (although FROG, etc. could improve)
- EO encoding efficiency, phase matching

Practical limitations: complexity of laser systems involved transporting short-pulse laser (gate pulse only)

### **Single-shot Temporal Decoding of optical probe**





Temporal profile of probe pulse  $\rightarrow$  Spatial image of SHG



Symmetric crystal geometry: 400nm "walk-off" orthogonal to time-axis

### **Electro-optic diagnostics at FLASH**



Many experiments on FLASH - one of first of the short-bunch machines

- o temporal decoding
- spectral decoding
- benchmarking against deflecting cavities
- 450 MeV, γ ~1000
- bunches with peak + pedestal structure
- 20% charge in  $\sim$ 100 fs spike

#### **Temporal Decoding Diagnostic**





electrons..

transverse deflecting cavity

**EO** station











### temporal decoding in practice..

# currently the highest time-resolution non-destructive diagnostic demonstrated (at DESY FLASH)



#### **Benchmarking EO by LOLA cavity (TDC)**

LOLA: Transverse Deflecting Cavity = fast electron oscilloscope



**Resolution:** 100fs (20fs with special beam optics)

**Disadvantages:** no absolute timing (high time jitter) <u>destructive diagnostic</u>



Transverse deflecting cavity (1960's cavity from SLAC) located next to EO diagnostic



#### **Benchmarking of EO against LOLA TDC**



#### Benchmarking of Electro-Optic Monitors for Femtosecond Electron Bunches

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### So are all the problems solved...?

#### Low time resolution (>1ps structure)

- spectral decoding offers explicit temporal characterisation
- relatively robust laser systems available
- diagnostic rep rate only limited by optical cameras

#### *High time resolution (>60 fs rms structure)*

- proven capability
- significant issues with laser complexity / robustness

### Very high time resolution (<60 fs rms structure) limited by

- EO material properties (phase matching, GVD, crystal reflection)
- laser pulse duration (TD gate, SE probe)



### **Encoding Time Resolution...** material frequency response, $R(\omega)$

- velocity mismatch of Coulomb field and probe laser
- frequency mixing efficiency,  $\chi^{(2)}(\omega)$



### Can we achieve even better resolution ...?



#### Encoding

**Detector Material:** 

- GaP
- move to new material? ( phase matching,  $\chi^{(2)}$  considerations )
- could use GaSe, DAST, MBANP ..... or poled organic polymers?
- use multiple crystals, and reconstruction process
- possibility of artificially-produced "metamaterials"

#### Decoding

#### Gate pulse width ~ 50 fs

- Introduce shorter pulse
- Use (linear) spectral interferometry
- Use FROG Measurement (initially attempted at FELIX, 2004)

#### or Alternative Techniques: Spectral Upconversion

<u>If</u> drop requirement for explicit time information at high frequencies, other options also become available ...



### alternative ways forward...

Current limitations are from material properties

TO Phonon-resonances at 3-15 THz (material dependent)

All (inorganic) materials will have some phonon resonance effects

Can we use a set of crystals to cover larger range?

requires (uncertain) reconstruction to find temporal profile (relative phase shifts, phase matching, efficiency between crystals) → complication of system would multiply

If reconstruction needed anyway, reconsider spectral techniques ... BUT traditional spectral techniques have difficulties :

> *long-wavelength / DC-component transport extreme ("100%") spectral bandwidths for detection*

A possible solution : Electro-optic spectral upconversion

#### Back to the physics of EO encoding...





New concepts & understanding of very high time resolution techniques come from a frequency mixing physics description

### Frequency domain description of EO detection...



Electro-optic encoding is a consequence of sum- and difference-frequency mixing





#### for arbitrary probe and Coulomb pulses...

- convolve over <u>all</u> combinations of optical and Coulomb frequencies.
- includes field phase (chirp), general phase matching, optical GVD, etc

Previous refractive index formalism comes out as subset of solutions (restriction on laser parameters)

### **Spectral upconversion diagnostic**



#### measure the bunch Fourier spectrum...



- ... accepting loss of phase information & explicit temporal information
- ... gaining potential for determining information on even shorter structure
- ... gaining measurement simplicity

#### Long pulse, narrow bandwidth, probe laser

$$\tilde{E}_{\text{out}}^{\text{opt}}(\omega) = \tilde{E}_{\text{in}}^{\text{opt}}(\omega) + i\omega a \tilde{E}_{\text{in}}^{\text{opt}}(\omega) * \left[\tilde{E}^{\text{Coul}}(\omega)\tilde{R}(\omega)\right]$$

$$\rightarrow \delta\text{-function}$$

same physics as "standard" EO

$$\tilde{E}(\omega_0 + \Omega) = \tilde{E}(\omega_0) + i\omega a \tilde{E}(\omega_0) \left[\tilde{E}^{\text{Coul}}(\Omega)\tilde{R}(\Omega)\right]$$
  
(\Omega can be < 0)

different observational outcome

#### NOTE: the long probe is still converted to optical replica

### **Spectral upconversion diagnostic**



Results from experiments at FELIX (Feb 2009) in FEL'09; and *Appl. Phys. Lett.* 96, 231114 (2010)

Theory / Expt. comparison

Coulomb field of bunch



### SU measures long wavelength components



non-propagating spectral components which are not accessible to radiative techniques (CSR/CTR/SP)



These experiments had a less than ideal laser: ~5ps, not very narrow spectrum



### **Temporal Limitations of EOTD**



### cross-correlation method



- optical probe with electron bunch info
- ultrafast "gate" for time  $\rightarrow$  space readout

$$I_{SHG}(x \leftarrow t) \propto \int I_{probe}(\tau) I_{gate}(t-\tau) \mathrm{d}\tau$$

• Resolution is limited by gate duration (+phase matching)

Practical implementation limits gate to >40fs fwhm (laser transport, cross-correlator phase matching/signal levels)

- Weak probe due to EO material damage limits...
- Compensated by intense gate pulse

Signal/noise issues from this mismatch in intensities

# Higher resolution through "X-FROG" cross-correlation, frequency-resolved optical gating



- Obtain both time and spectral information
- Sub-pulse time resolution retrievable from additional information



**R&D goals:** 

- Develop XFROG with realistic EO intensities
  - signal/noise issues; non-degenerate wavelengths (?)
- Develop & demonstrate retrieval algorithms
  - including "spliced data"

#### Solution in multiple crystals and crystal orientations...





Questions on how to "splice" data.

- Response amplitude can be measured from detection of tuneable THz source
- Spectral complex response can be measured from THz-TDS from linear THz-TDS ... if we have a known ultrashort source

#### **Femtosecond longitudinal diagnostics**

Current best resolution achieved: ~120fs FWHM (~60fs rms) Targeting 20fs rms resolution with Electro-optic diagnostics

#### **Current limitations of electro-optic detection:**

Time resolution restricted by<br/>- probe laser duration (~40-80 fs)Implementation limited by- femtosecond laser complexity

#### **Solutions?**

**Spectral upconversion** – quasi CW laser probes beam with EO effect

All-optical parametric amplification of probe signal

Frequency Resolved Optical Gating (FROG) for sub-pulse femtosecond characterisation of amplified optical probe

#### **Nano-structured materials**

for bypassing of EO phase-matching constraints

Fibre laser spectral decoding

(low power fs lasers), and temporal retrieval algorithms



### Summary

#### Deflection cavity / zero crossing

- 10fs resolution capability, in principle
- huge infrastructure for high energies
- destructive technique
- Radiative spectral techniques
  - demonstrated with extreme broadband & single shot capability
  - empirical tune-up, stabilisation
- Electro-optic temporal techniques
  - limited by materials and optical characterisation
  - solution in multiple-crystal detectors /alternative materials (?) and in FROG-like techniques
- Electro-optic upconversion
  - converts extreme broadband signal into manageable optical signal
  - strong potential for empirical feedback system

### CLIC Project at CERN (Compact Linear Collider)



Feasibility study for 3 Tev (c.o.m.) electron-positron collider

#### UK collaboration with CLIC starting 2010

5 UK Universities + Daresbury Laboratory

Main Beam Instrumentation for CLIC

CTF3 two-beam test stand





#### EO Project at Dundee & Daresbury

- Measure 150 fs electron bunches with a precision of <20 fs using EO techniques
- Provide EO spectral decoding bunch monitor for 200 MeV, 1.4 ps CALIFES beam at CLIC Test Facility

#### **CTF3** Califes Electro-Optic Bunch Temporal Profile Monitor



Robust (low power) fibre laser implementation of spectral decoding:

- usually only low time resolution capability
- examining temporal retrieval algorithms
- possible alternative front-end probe for optical amplification scheme
- 1. Laser laboratory completed
- 2. Laser & synchronization system installed and tested.
- 3. Control system design completed. All cables and optical fibres installed.
- 4. Transfer lines for laser and OTR installed in the accelerator.
- 5. Two monitor vacuum chambers are being assembled.

System expected to be installed in November 2012, with first measurement in December.



P: Polarizer H: Half wave Laser:

plate **Q**: Quarter wave plate Wavelength: 780 nm

: Mirror with actuators

: Finger camera

Wavelength: 780 nm Duration: 100 fs Repetition: 37.4815 MHz Pulse energy: 2.7 nJ **Crystal:** Thickness: 1mm Separation: 5-10 mm

### **Spectral upconversion diagnostics**



Optimising upconversion with narrow-bandwidth (long duration) optical probe

High-power laser-driven THz sources being used as electron beam mimic ....

- Ti:S probe, with tuneable bandwidth (spatial chirp compensated)
- known THz pulse scanning time-domain THz techniques available
- using Ti:S-driven THz source with MV/cm fields



### Systems being implemented in tests on ALICE test accelerator at Daresbury



further shifts Oct/Nov 2012.



# Parametric amplification and nanosecond laser-driven femtosecond diagnostic

SIVERSIT:

DUNDEE



- Probe non-collinear amplification stage largely designed
- Available 50ps Nd:YAG, synchronised to femtosecond Ti:S probe and THz source

Combined experiments with THz, 800nm probe and parametric optical amplification in early 2013.



Activities at the University of Dundee



### EO Detection solution in thin films & 2D structures

- to bypass propagation effects

#### Thin film polymers

- Demonstrated broadband EO response
- Sufficient EO efficiency
- ?? Accelerator environment, material stability ??

Nano-structured materials

- Electro-optic effect from short-range structure.
- ... limited experimental demonstrations

# Materials and Photonic Systems (MAPS) Group



### Fabrication & Applications of Nanocomposites

#### Dundee group expertise:

- Metal-dielectric nanocomposites (MDN)
   Ag & Au
- DC electric field-assisted selective dissolution of nanoparticles in nanocomposites (patented technology)
- Laser structuring of metal surfaces



#### **Overall R&D goals**

- Fabricate percolation films and metal-dielectric nanocomposites at Dundee U.
  - ightarrow a type of "metamaterial" using electric field & laser processing
- Test these films for required E-O properties at Daresbury Laboratory
- Utilise films at CLIC and at the PSI XFEL test facility

#### Progress

3 nanosecond scanning laser systems (wavelengths 355, 532 & 1064 nm) in place for materials processing, since 2011

pulsewidth <15ps, avge power up to 4W at 355nm, 8W at 532nm, 16W at 1064nm



Picosecond scanning system (Coherent Talisker ULTRA 355-04) installed May 2012. —— Operates at same 3 wavelengths





#### Materials and Photonic Systems (MAPS) Group





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