# Grating Optimisation for Generation of Smith-Purcell Radiation

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In order to achieve optimal performance of the radiation generation from a blind grating the following parameters have to be analysed:

#### Propagation of power

From each individual strip the power propagates in the mirror reflection <u>direction</u>

#### Interference factor of the grating

- defined by the dispersion relation;
- responsible for the interference between multiple strips;

#### Structural factor of the grating

- Defined by the relation between the strip width;
- Responsible for the diffraction effect, which is stronger at longer wavelength



Propagation of power

$$\theta = 2\theta_0$$

Interference factor of the grating

## Structural factor of the grating

$$\lambda_n = \frac{d}{n} \left( \frac{1}{\beta} - \cos \theta \right)$$

$$ratio = \frac{d}{a}$$

## **Theoretical model**

Smith – Purcell effect as resonant diffraction radiation, A.P. Potylitsyn, NIM B 145 (1998) 60 – 66.

# **Approximations used in the model:**

### Far-field approximation:

In mm-wavelength range and for some cases of SPR this approximation is not applicable;

## Infinitely thin strips:

- Shadowing of the strips by each other is not taken into consideration
- Ideal conductor;
- Infinite strip length;
- Strip width must be much larger than the wavelength.

$$\frac{d^2 W_{RDR}}{d\omega d\Omega} = \frac{d^2 W_{semiplane}}{d\omega d\Omega} F_{cell} F_N$$
Radiation distribution Strip (cell) Interference factor
$$F_{cell} = 4 \exp\left[-2\chi\right] \left(\sinh^2 \chi + \sin^2 \frac{\Delta \varphi}{2}\right)$$

$$\chi = \frac{\pi \left(a / \cos \theta_0\right) \sin \theta_0}{\gamma \lambda} \sqrt{1 + \gamma^2 \theta_x^2}$$

$$\theta_x = 0; \theta_y = 2\theta_0$$
Direction of the mirror reflection from a strip.

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Maximum of the radiation intensity is observed at  $\theta_0 = 45 \text{ deg}$ 



### **Comparison between two types of grating**



### **Optimization of the grating structural factor**



#### SPR intensity at the maxima of spectral peaks as a function of a strip width.





For the increased energy of an electron high order peaks become more intense compared to the first order peak.



## Summary

- **Grating Optimization:** 
  - An optimal observation angle coincides with mirror reflection direction;
  - An optimal period should assure the direction of resonance order in the direction of specular reflection;
    - The order of interest is still to be decided;
  - $\succ$  The structural factor of unity gives the highest intensity.
- For a given set of parameters:
  - While the tilt angle of the strips is changed a relative decrease of the radiation intensity for the high order peaks is larger than for the first order peak;
  - While the strip width changes a relative decrease of radiation intensity for lower order peaks is higher;
  - Larger radiation yields of high order peaks compared to the first order peak are observed due to diffraction and becomes even larger for higher beam energies.