



# **Ultra-short electron bunch instrumentation**

# **Current Status & Future Directions**

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# Femtosecond resolution bunch profile diagnostics

(selective discussion due to time constraints – and predominantly for electrons)

### Menu:

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

### The need for femtosecond longitudinal diagnostics

#### 1. Advanced Light Sources: 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> generation

Free-Electron Lasers kA peak currents required for collective gain

 $\tau$  = 200fs FWHM, 200pC (<2008, standard)  $\Rightarrow$  10fs FWHM, 10pC (>2008, increasing interest)

Low-emittance storage rings  $\tau = 10-200 \text{ ps rms}, \epsilon_H = 150-300 \text{ pm.rad} (MAX-IV, ESRF II)$ 

**2. Particle Physics:** Linear Colliders (ILC, CLIC) e<sup>+</sup>-e<sup>-</sup> and others short bunches, high charge, high quality - for *luminosity* 

• ~300fs rms, ~1nC stable, known (smooth?) longitudinal profiles

**3. LPWAs:** Laser-plasma accelerators produce ultra-short electron bunches!

• 1-5 fs FWHM (and perhaps even shorter in future), ~ 20pC + future FELs

Diagnostics needed for...

Verification of electron beam optics

- Machine tune-up & optimisation
- 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

 $\rho(t) \rightarrow \rho(x)$ longitudinal  $\rightarrow$  transverse imaging

Transverse Deflecting Cavities

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

• RF zero-phasing

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

"Radiative" Techniques

 $\rho(t) \rightarrow E(t)$ propagating & non-propagating

### Spectral domain:

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

### Time domain:

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



# **Transverse Deflecting Cavities (TDC)**





cavity: transverse kick

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

Time resolution scaling

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

Diagnostic capabilities linked to beam optics

**Disadvantage - destructive to beam** 

beam optics : transverse streak

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



FLASH : 27 fs resolution

Rohrs et al. Phys Rev ST (2009)



# LCLS XTCAV X-band transverse deflecting cavity

(Y. Ding et al, FEL 2013, NYC)



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Bunch head on the left



(~1mJ pulse energy)



z-dependent accel/deceleration

beam optics: energy dispersion

- 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 ?

**Disadvantage - destructive to beam** 





## **RF zero-phasing examples**



### DUV-FEL: at 75 MeV



#### time resolution of ~50 fs

Graves et al. PAC 2001

### SLAC LCLS: at 4.3 &14 GeV

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



~ 3 fs rms bunch length at 14 GeV ~ 1 fs rms bunch length at 4.3 GeV

Huang et al. PAC 2011, FEL2013





Cause bunch to radiate coherently



### **Techniques & limitations:**

CSR/CTR :propagation effects; detector response; missing phaseCDR :as for CSR/CTR; plus emission responseOptical Replica:emission response (? radiating undulator)Electro-Optic: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 CTR, CDR, Smith-Purcell, Electro-Optic, etc.)



# **Spectral domain radiative techniques**

Bunch form factor \_

Coherent transition radiation (CTR) Coherent diffraction radiation (CDR) Coherent synchrotron radiation (CSR) Smith-Purcell radiation (SP)

far-IR / mid-IR spectrum



- More than an octave spanning in frequency
- Short wavelengths describe the fast structure
- Long wavelengths <u>required</u> for bunch reconstruction



For: 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





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



cascaded dispersive grating elements, and pyroelectric detector arrays



Similar concepts applied at HZDR ELBE facility (O. Zarini et al, LA<sup>3</sup>NET workshop, Dresden, April 2014) and at SLAC LCLS (T. J. Maxwell et al, PRL 111, 184801, 2013)



# **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



# **Range of Electro-Optic Techniques**



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Variations in read-out of optical temporal signal

#### **Spectral Decoding**



**Spatial Encoding** 



#### **Temporal Decoding**



#### **Spectral Upconversion/ EO Transposition**



- Chirped optical input
- Spectral readout
- o Use time-wavelength relationship
- o Ultrashort optical input
- o Spatial readout (EO crystal)
- Use time-space relationship
- Long pulse + ultrashort pulse gate
- Spatial readout (cross-correlator crystal)
- Use time-space relationship
  - o quasi-monochomatic optical input (long pulse)
  - o Spectral readout
  - $\circ~$  Uses FROG-related techniques to recover bunch info

#### complexity

demonstrated

time resolution



### 1. Spectral Decoding (EOSD)

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:

EOSD limited by chirp Can relate to FWHM durations...

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

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

Conclusion: Unlikely to get better than 1.0 ps (FWHM) with Spectral Decoding



# **Collaboration with CLIC Project at CERN**



Feasibility study for 3 TeV electron-positron collider

#### UK collaboration with CLIC 2010-2017

Main Beam Instrumentation for CLIC



CTF3 two-beam test stand



#### EO Project at Dundee & Daresbury:

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



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





Stage 1 & Chamber 1



Stage 2 & Chamber 2



**Optics in laser lab** 

#### **Progress:**

- (1) Timing overlap E-bunch and laser pulse measured by streak camera
- (2) First EO signal measured by a photomultiplier

Resolution improvements may include:

- -- Thinner crystal
- -- Fibre instead of optical transfer line
- -- New algorithm (data acquisition and processing)
- -- New materials replacing EO crystal

R. Pan et al. CERN CLIC workshop, Feb 2014

# 2. Single-shot Temporal Decoding (EOTD)



(currently gives best time resolution)

**Spatial image** of SHG pulse

Thin EO crystal (ZnTe or GaP) produces 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 crystal
- large (~1mJ) laser pulse energy required (via Ti:Sa amplifier)

Technique limited by

- gate pulse duration (~50 fs, although FROG, etc. could improve)
- EO encoding efficiency, phase matching •

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



# EOTD Electro-optic diagnostics at FLASH



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

Time resolution  $\sigma_z \sim 90$  fs (rms)

#### **Temporal Decoding Diagnostic**



#### $60 - 200 \mu m$ thick GaP detector





# Fundamental Problem: Encoding Time Resolution material frequency response, $R(\omega)$

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



#### May be soluble by:

- 1. Organic crystals (e.g. DAST, DSTMS, OH1) or poled polymeric materials
- 2. Artificially-created "metamaterials" under development at Dundee

"silver-glass nanocomposites"



Consider a single-frequency probe and short Coulomb field "pulse"





# **EO Transposition System**



D. A. Walsh et al, Proc. IBIC 2013, Oxford UK, 474-477



- 1. Nanosecond laser-derived single-frequency probe brings reliability
- 2. "Electro-Optic Transposition" of probe encodes temporal profile
- 3. Non-collinear optical parametric chirped pulse amplification (NCOPCPA) amplifies signal
- 4. Full spectral amplitude and phase measured via FROG / Grenouille technique
- 5. Coulomb field (bunch profile) calculated via time-reversed propagation of pulse





# **Benchmarking & Validation 1**

#### Femtosecond laser-based test bed (STFC Daresbury Laboratory)



Femtosecond laser pulse spectrally filtered to produce narrow bandwidth probe

Investigation of measurement thresholds / signal-to-noise ratios

Important for defining system requirements





# **Benchmarking & Validation 2**





# **EOT Temporal Resolution**



SH of 1024 nm

at 532 nm

### EO transposition scheme is now limited by materials:

phase matching, absorption, stability

#### Collaboration with MAPS group, University of Dundee on development of novel EO materials

- Potential to produce an enhancement of nonlinear processes through metallic nanoparticles
- THz field-induced second harmonic enhancement under investigation



### A key property of the EO Transposition scheme may be exploited

- FROG (Grenouille) retrieves the spectral amplitude and phase
- At frequencies away from absorptions, etc., the spectrum should still be faithfully retrieved
- Potential to run two "tried and tested" crystals with complementary response functions side-by-side to record FULL spectral information!



Picosecond laser X-Y scanning optics



Ultrashort laser configuration for EO materials processing



inverted microscope set-up to measure second-harmonic generation from metamaterial samples (Talisker picosecond laser off to right of photos).

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# Summary of ultra-short bunch techniques



# • Transverse deflection cavity / zero crossing

- <10fs resolution capability, in principle</li>
- large infrastructure for high energies
- destructive techniques
- Radiative spectral techniques
  - demonstrated with extreme broadband & single-shot capability
  - empirical tune-up, stabilisation problems

## • 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 / transposition
  - converts extreme broadband signal into manageable optical signal
  - strong potential for empirical feedback system



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

- to bypass propagation effects

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















# Nanosecond laser irradiation of glass with embedded silver nanoparticles at 532 nm

- Wavelength: 532 nm
- Pulse length ~ 6 ns at 50 kHz
- Laser fluence ~ 1.5 J/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Beam spot diameter ~ 60 μm
- Writing speed: 10 mm/s
- ~ 300 pulses per spot







