

WP4 – Laser Design and Optimization.

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Objectives

Laser Design and Optimization (LDO)

- **4.1 Overview Industrially Available Lasers**
 - Design study will be based upon an industrial laser system
- 4.1 Error and Stability Analysis for Lasers
 - Identification of critical issues for reliable operation
- 4.2 Feedbacks and Correction Methods
 - Design of techniques for self-optimization
- 4.4 Prototype Laser Feedbacks and Tests
 - Use existing facilities to demonstrate self-optimization
- 4.5 Two plasma-module laser acceleration
 - Identify and test scheme for two (multiple) stage acceleration



Deliverables 1/2

D4.1 (M12) Benchmarking of existing technologies and comparison with EuPraxia requirements

ELI multi PW lasers, Apollon, J-Karen ...

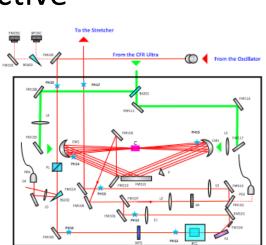
D4.2 (M24) Preliminary laser design

To be developed with an eye to perspective

industrial development

D4.3 (M24) Preliminary design of transverse functions

To account for final use of EuPRAXIA (user facility?)

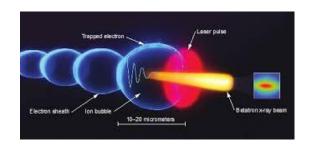




Deliverables 1/2

D4.4 (M36) Finale requirements of laser system

To comfortably accommodate LWFA design



D4.5 (M36) Control command design system

To enable turn-key-like operation of the laser system

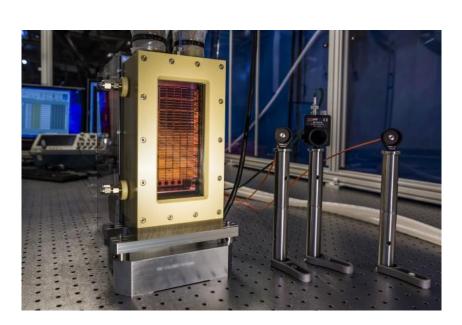




Kick-off considerations 1/3

- Baseline parameters
 - Repetition rate
 - Above 10 Hz switch from flashlamp to DPSSL/fibers?
 - 100 Hz/1KHz could be beneficial for close loop stabilization

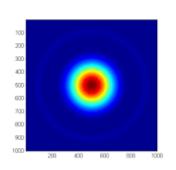
HALPS laser system LLNL for ELI Beamlines 1PW/10 Hz

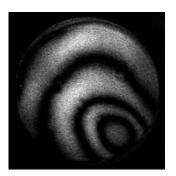


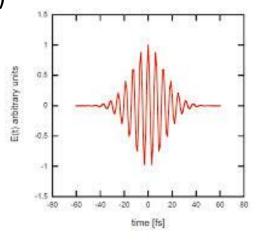


Kick-off considerations 2/3

- Interface with other WPs
 - Input interface from WP2 (Phys&simulation)
 - Output interface at
 - laser output?
 - Define near field temporal and transverse phase (correction)
 - laser focus?
 - Define focused pulse performances (after OAP)
 - Negotiate with WP3 (high gradient acc)









Kick-off considerations 3/3

- Industial involvement
 - Start involvement after definition of baseline parameters
 - Drive/stimulate industrial development in the Eupraxia direction
 - Key partners include Amplitude and Thales
 - Additional alternative partners overseas (LLNL, NE) ...
 - Wait for ELI experience











Conclusions

- WP4 is up and running!
- Laser WP4 task: make EuPRAXIA laser technology appealing for future (2020) industrial development!



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1° Steering committe meeting

CNR, CNRS, STFC-RAL, discussions with Amplitude, Thales ...



Discussion on key laser parameters

- Laser configuration will be defined according to the plasma acceleration configuration;
- A preliminary set of possible laser configurations can be identified taking into account established laser schemes and technologies;
- Laser configurations should include schemes currently under development/prototyping, which are likely to mature by the tyme of implementation.



Key parameters

- Number of main beams: 1 to 4
- Number of Aux beams: 1 to 2
- Pulse duration, 15fs 1ps 100 fs
- Wavelength, 800 nm, 1μm, both, 2ω?
- Pulse energy (main beams): 50J-250J (?) 100 J
- Pointing stability?
- Peak intensity?
- Contrast Ratio?
- Rep rate: 10 Hz 1kHz 100 Hz?



N° of main beams

- Multiple main beams from same oscillator to drive multiple accelerator stages;
- Specs of each main beam tunable in energy and optimized pulse duration (chirping?)
- Possibility to have beams at different wavelengths: 0.8μm and 1.0 μm.
- Cost roughly scales with number of beams and energy.
- Multiple beams address redundancy issue.



Pulse duration

- Pulse duration sets choice on front-end and amplification technology:
- Sub-20 fs: Apollon is the reference system (OPCPA+ TiSa)
- 20-100 fs: Full TiSa with bandwidth and long phase control (standard commercial systems)
- 100 fs-1ps: Nd based (glass, crystal, ceramics)
 Advantage of direct diode pumping (e.g Polaris)



Main beam pulse energy and rep rate

- Energy per pulse in the 100J range, up to 250J?
- Critically dependent on pumping technology
- Rep-Rate of 10Hz or more needs DPSSL
- Reference system here is ELI (Cz, Hu, Ro)