FACET-II Science Workshop Plasma Accelerator Driven XFELs



E210: Trojan Horse Injection for High Brightness Beam Generation & Diagnostic System

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"Trojan Horse" PWFA based e-Source



The driver electron beam with density of $n_b > n_0$ excites a plasma wake in a Low-Ionization Thresholds (LITs) background gas like H₂ or Li.

A laser-triggered ionization injection happens for a High-Ionization Thresholds (HITs) gas like He.

Trapped charge will result in a high brightness beam with emittance in order of 10⁻⁸ m-rad or less

B. Hidding et al., Phys.Rev.Lett.108.035001(2012)

Synchronization: Challenge to E210 success



 5x10¹⁶ cm⁻³
 5x10¹⁷ cm⁻³

 150 um
 47 um

 500 fs
 150 fs

Electro-Optic Sampling (EOS)

Intense electric field of e-beam induces a birefringence of the EO crystal which rotates the laser polarization.



S. Casalbubni et al., Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 11, 072802 (2008)

Electro-Optic Sampling Setup on FACET



Electro-Optic Sampling



FACET Plasma Experiment Region



Plasma Column Generation with Axicon



The depth of focus L_f is given based on the geometry consideration as:

$$L_f = (R_2 - R_1)[(\tan \beta)^{-1} - \tan \gamma]$$

Where the exit angle β is

$$\beta = \arcsin(n_a \sin \gamma) - \gamma$$

The radial beam width of the focus is from zeros of Bessel functional J_0

$$R_B = 2.4048 / k_0 \tan \beta \approx 2.4048 / k_0 \beta$$



Dark Current Research



How to eliminate dark current?

- Reduce driver bunch peak current
- Lower gas pressure/density

Dark Current Free TH-PWFA



G.G. Manahan et al. submitted

Dark Current Elimination

Dark current was suppressed successfully by reducing the driver bunch charge in the laser-ionized Hydrogen/Helium mixture plasma

Plasma wavelength effect on dark current is ambiguous but promising;

Also lower plasma density is benefit for the synchronization of injection laser and e-beam.



Improving E210 PWFA Setup



Witness Bunch Diagnostics



- Energy (E or γ) & energy spread($\Delta E/E$ or $\Delta \gamma/\gamma$)
- Transverse Emittance (x, p_x;y, p_y)
- Charge Q
- Bunch length (τ)

Transverse Emittance Estimation

Rough estimation of laser contribution to normalized emittance:

$$\epsilon_n \approx \sigma_{rHIT} \sigma_{p_{r,HIT}} / (mc) \approx w_0 a_0 / 2^{3/2}$$

For He as HIT medium:

 $a_0=0.03$, $w_0=15$ um

 $\varepsilon_n \approx 0.16 \text{ um rad}$

Note:

- * Barrier Suppression Ionization is an upper limit.
- * Emittance in the non-laser-polarization plane could be smaller.

 w_0 : laser focus size a_0 : laser potential



B. Hidding et al., PRL 108, 035001, 2012Y. Xi et al., PRSTAB 16,031303, 2013

Transverse Emittance Measurement

On-axis Betatron radiation spectrum

$$\frac{d^2 I}{dE d\Omega} \bigg|_{\theta=0} \simeq N \frac{3e^2}{2\pi^3 \hbar c \varepsilon_0} \gamma^2 \bigg(\frac{E}{E_{\text{crit}}}\bigg)^2 K_{2/3}^2 \bigg(\frac{E}{E_{\text{crit}}}\bigg)$$

The critical energy of radiation:

$$E_{crit}(keV) \simeq 5 \times 10^{-24} \gamma^2 n_e(cm^{-3}) r_b(\mu m)$$

The betatron strength parameter:

$$K = 1.33 \times 10^{-10} \sqrt{\gamma n_e(cm^{-3})} r_b(\mu m)$$

Angle [mrad] -4

4 0

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The normalized emittance ε_n :

 $\mathcal{E}_{x} \approx \gamma \sigma_{\theta} \sigma_{x} \approx 0.1 \text{ um rad}$



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G. R. Plateau et al., PRL 109,064802 (2012)

Future scenarios and light source experiments



Summary and Conclusion

Challenges in Experiment

- Plasma source & profiles
- Dark current elimination
- Synchronization of laser and e-beam
- Witness bunch diagnostics (6-D phase space)
- Beam transportation and control for further applications

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