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Photon Beam Transport

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Initial Remarks

- Photon beam transport = Photon beamline or X-ray beamline
- Not just "transport"
- Control & characterization of photon beam properties in 6-dimensional phase space (+ polarization)
- Key bridge & interface between accelerator and experiments

Goal

- To provide key concepts on design and working principles of x-ray beamlines & optics
- To promote comprehensive understanding of both XFEL machine and x-ray beamline as a *light source complex*

Hard or Soft ?



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Prototypical photon beamline at 1st gen. synchrotron sources ('70~)

Synchrotron Radiation as a Source for X-ray Diffraction

G. ROSENBAUM & K. C. HOLMES Max-Planck-Institut für Medizinische Forschung, Heidelberg

Nature 1971

J. WITZ

Laboratoire des Virus des Plantes, Institut de Botanique de la Faculté des Sciences de Strasbourg, Strasbourg



Fig. 1 The F41 bunker at DESY and its position with respect to the synchrotron.

- Parasite to synchrotrons for high-energy physics
- Separation of experimental area from accelerator
- Key optics: monochromator (white spectrum of bending magnet source)



Beamline at 2nd gen. SR ('80~)

Photon Factory (KEK, Japan) Kohra & Sasaki, NIM **208** (1983) 23



- Facility dedicated for utilizing X-rays
- Establishment of basic scheme of beamline
- Development of various X-ray optics (e.g., monochromator, focusing mirrors)
- Common optics installed into "optics hutch"



K. Kohra, T. Sasaki / Present status of the Photon Factory



Beamline at 3rd gen. SR



SPring-8 (JP)

- Facility dedicated for utilizing undulator radiation at low-emittance storage ring
- Matured technologies
- "Coherence" much pronounced
- Higher quality required for x-ray optics to preserve coherent wavefront and to avoid speckles







Front-end

Beamline at XFEL

- XFEL: Pulsed x-ray source with excellent transverse coherence
- Shot-to-shot changes in x-ray properties: photon diagnostics needed for conducting good experiments
- X-ray properties sensitive to machine parameters:
 BL provides useful information for achieving stable machine operation
- Enhanced connection between accelerator and BL



Figure 3. Photon diagnostic system on BL3. SCM1–8: screen monitor module; BM1,2: thin-foil beam monitor; WM: thin-foil wavelength monitor; GM: scattering-based gas monitor; SCM (MCP): screen monitor with a micro-channel-plate image intensifier.

Beamline configuration of SACLA XFEL Tono et al, New J Phys **15** (2013) 083035







Summary: Development on x-ray beamline



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Phase space

Role of photon beamline: "Control & characterization of photon beam properties in 6-dimensional phase space (+ polarization)"



Longitudinal x 2

Frequency (=photon energy or wavelength) $h\nu~$ (=hc/ λ) Time: t

Brilliance: photon density in 6-D phase space



- Area of ellipse is called emittance
- Emittance is conserved with optical transformation
- Minimum emittance: $\Delta x \cdot \Delta \theta \sim C \cdot \lambda$ Diffraction-limited condition e.g., XFEL: $\Delta x \cdot \Delta \theta \sim 10$ um. 1 urad~ 1e-11 um ~ 1 Å/4 π

Distribution in transverse phase space (x- θ)



Transverse coherence



Partially transverse coherence

Distribution in longitudinal phase space



- Minimum area: $\Delta \omega \cdot \Delta t \sim \lambda / 2\pi$ Fourier-limited condition
- X-ray pulse can be compressed into very short duration (λ/c^{-1e-18} s = 1 as)

Short summary

 Phase space is a useful concept for intuitive understanding of photon beam properties and optics design

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X-ray optics



X-rays: High penetration to materials Small (but non-zero) interactions with matters Design of x-ray optics is feasible, but not straightforward

We could not use magnetic forces

Major interactions of x-ray with matter



Key optical property: Refractive index



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Reflective optics: Total reflection at surface with grazing angle incidence



Refraction angle: Snell's law
$$n = \frac{\cos\theta_0}{\cos\theta}$$

Total reflection ($\theta = 0$) with incident
angle smaller than θ_C
 $1 - \delta = \cos\theta_c = 1 - \frac{\theta_c^2}{2}$
 $\rightarrow \theta_c = \sqrt{2\delta} \sim 1e-3$ (rad)
Reflectivity/transmissivity at interface:
Fresnel's formula
 θ_0
 $\theta_$

 θ_{C}

θ

Reflective optics: X-ray mirror

 θ_{C} ~ mrad

-> give small deflection angle to incident x-rays

(beam steering)

-> focusing with specific surface shape

-> long length required along the meridional direction (1 mrad x 1 m length = 1 mm acceptance)

$$\theta_{C} = \sqrt{2\delta} \sim \sqrt{\frac{2\lambda^{2} r_{e}(Z+f')N}{2\pi}} = A \cdot \lambda c \sqrt{\rho}$$

 -> Total reflection only for λ > λ_C for fixed θ_C (low-pass filter in frequency domain)
 -> reject higher harmonics or gamma-rays from source







Diffractive optics





Fresnel Zone Plate (FZP)



Grating



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Focusing/monochromator/speckle-free

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Function of x-ray optics

Tailor of photon beam properties in 6-dimensional phase space (+ polarization)



Longitudinal x 2

Frequency (=photon energy or wavelength) hv (=hc/ λ) \leftarrow monochromator

Time: t Brilliance: photon density in 6-D phase space

Function (I): Focusing

- Focusing capability is one of the most essential functions in x-ray microscopy and analysis

- Reflective, refractive, diffractive optics are used for focusing





- Smaller beam size, larger divergence (NA) $\Delta x \cdot NA \sim \lambda$
 - → Large NA is required for generating small spot
 X-ray beam can be focused into small spot (~nm)

Comparison

Reflective

Refractive

Diffractive



- High efficiency (R>70%)
- Achromatic
- Small spot (7 nm)
- Fabrication complexity
- Small deflection of exit beam



- Operation feasibility
- Tunable focal length with changing # of stack
- Prefer to high energy x rays (> 10 keV) for
 reducing absorption



- Utilized in various types of soft x-ray microscopy
- Variation in patterns for phase control
- Compact design
- Fabrication complexity
- Efficiency limited by diffraction
- Bandwidth: $\Delta\lambda/\lambda \sim 1/N$

Trend of spot size



Resolution Trend of X-ray Microbeam

Courtesy of Dr. Yoshio Suzuki

Focusing with mirrors

- Total reflection only working at grazing incidence condition
- Combination of two cylindrical mirror was first proposed by Kirkpatrick and Baez (JOSA, 1948)
- High reflectivities, but challenging in fabrication
- Cylindrical \rightarrow elliptical shape for generating small spot without aberration
- Technological developments since 2000 for achieving accurate figure shape



K. Mimura et al.

Nature Phys. 2009

30nm 25pm 15nm

2007

2006

7nm

2009

40nm

2005



Nano-focusing for XFEL

- Focusing of XFEL \rightarrow production of extremely high intensity of X-ray pulse
- Low divergent beam (~urad) → small beam size at focusing optics → limitation of NA → difficulty in achieving small focus
- Combination of two focusing system: first one for enlarging divergence and beam size, and second one for small focusing
- 50 nm size achieved with extreme intensity over 10²⁰ W/cm²



9 keV (pump) & Yoneda *et al.*, Two-stage 8 keV (seed) Nature 524 446 focusing (2015)8 keV Intense pump x-rays strip K-shell electrons and generate "population inversion: Cu foil Pump intensity [W/cm²] Amplification of Ka 1019 1020 within 5.6eV bandwidth at Klpha 1 [arb. unit] 10⁵ ASE 0.8 (resonant) line 0.6 W/ Seeding 0.4 0^{4} 0.2 Ka1 seed **Uutput energy** Κα2 W/O Seeding Ka2 seed 7,990 8,010 8,030 8,050 8,070 8,090 0.8 03 Photon energy [eV] 0.6 $K\alpha 1$ 10² 0.4 seeding laser 0.2 10¹ 0 10^{5} 10^{6} 7,990 8,010 8,030 8,050 8,070 8,090 Pump energy density [J/cm²] Photon energy [eV]

Achievement of Hard X-ray Cu-Ka atomic laser

Function (II): Monochromator

- Monochromator is the key optical device in SR beamlines
- Energy resolution (typically several percent for SR) is insufficient for most x-ray applications (crystallography, spectroscopy, etc.)
- Perfect crystals are widely used as monochromator optics


Representation of perfect-crystal monochromator in angular-frequency (θ - λ) phase space



Monochromator on DuMond diagram



For efficient lasing, overlap between e-beam and p-beam with an accuracy of ~urad is required

- E-beam trajectory easily bends at the edges of undulator modules
- P-beam goes through along the e-beam in the undulator

- P-beam can be used to monitor the e-beam trajectory in each undulator module

Cf. central cone of the undulator radiation

 $1/g= 1/16000 = \frac{60 \text{ urad}}{1000}$ for 8 GeV \rightarrow too large



X-ray based undulator alignment

Profile of monochromatized spontaneous radiation



Function (III): Speckle-free X-ray optics for transversely coherent sources

Coherent illumination on imperfect optical elements can easily produce speckles

Measured at 1-km BL of SPring-8





IF1 grade Be

PVD Be

Yabashi et al., J Synchrotron Rad. **21** (2014) 976

Function (III): Speckle-free X-ray optics for transversely coherent sources

Coherent illumination on imperfect optical elements can easily produce speckles



 $\delta < \lambda/10 \rightarrow d < \lambda/(20 \cdot \sin\theta) = 0.1 \text{ nm}/(20 \cdot 2.5 \text{ mrad}) = 2 \text{ nm}$

Short summary

- Reflective/refractive/diffractive optics are used for controlling x-ray properties of beam size (focusing) or bandwidth (monochromator)
- Special high quality is required for x-ray optics under coherent x-ray illumination to avoid speckles

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X-ray diagnostics

Characterization of x-ray beam properties in 6-dimensional phase space (+ polarization) + coherence

- Total intensity
- Transverse x 4

Real space: $(x,y) \leftarrow$ fluorescent screens Angular direction: $(\theta x, \theta y)$

 \leftarrow L × θ : free-space propagation + size measurement

- Longitudinal x 2

Frequency (=photon energy or wavelength) hv

Time: pulse duration t

+ arrival timing τ for pump-probe experiments with external optical laser

- Coherence

Key words

- Absolute or relative ?
- Resolution and range ?
- How fast ?
 - XFEL: Shot-to-shot fluctuation
 - Shot-to-shot measurements are desirable
- Destructive or nondestructive ?
 - Destructive: full photons are available for diagnostics, more accurate measurements
 - Nondestructive: diagnostics parallel to experiments

Temporal structure



Pulse energy measurement (I)

- Pulse energy is the most fundamental parameter for both machine and experimental sides
- Pulsed nature \rightarrow signals easily saturated; reliable measurement is challenging



Detection of small temperature increment after x-ray absorption

Destructive Portable

T. Tanaka et al., *Nucl. Instrum. Methods* A 659, 528 (2011).



Detection of electrons/ions ionized with x-ray irradiation

Nondestructive

Vacuum system

M. Richter et al, *Appl. Phys. Lett.* **83** 2970 (2003) K. Tiedtke et al, *J. Appl. Phys.* **103** 094511 (2008)

Total intensity measurement (II)

Detection of x-ray scattering (mainly Compton scattering) from thin foil



Shot-by-shot measurement



Mutual Calibration



4.4 keV



Photon energy /keV	Pulse energy /µJ	
	Radiometer	XGMD
4.4	32.26 ± 0.35	32.9±2.0
5.8	104.2 ± 1.3	106.6 ± 6.1
9.6	95.3±2.3	93.9±6.1
13.6	42.2 ± 1.1	40.8±2.9
16.8	0.96 ± 0.03	
	AIST (JPN)	РТВ

Excellent agreement 52

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Pulse duration measurement

Deflection cavity after undulator: Measure time-resolved energy loss/spread after x-ray lasing



FIG. 1. A layout of the diagnostic system with a transverse rf deflector and an energy spectrometer.



THz streaking method: photoelectrons -> modulation of energy with external THz field (streaking)



Fruhling et al., Nat. Photon **3**, 523 (2012)

Distribution in longitudinal phase space



Large bandwidth/long pulse

- Distribution in frequency domain $E(\omega) <-$ FT -> Distribution in temporal domain $A(\theta)$





Measurement with perfect-crystal spectrometer

Divergent beam + flat crystal analyzer Single-shot detection



$$\frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{\Delta E}{E} = \Delta\theta \cot\theta_{\scriptscriptstyle B}$$

Energy Angle

$$\xi = L\Delta\theta = \frac{\Delta E}{E}L\tan\theta_{B}$$

Position

Example



Y. Inubushi et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 144801 (2012).

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Measure timing jitter for every pulse Sorting with "tag" information

Arrival timing measurement

XFEL excites electronic system in fs scale \rightarrow probed by change of optical transmittance Spatial encoding technique: cross-beam geometry between XFEL and optical laser



Harmand et al., Nature Photon **7** 215 2012 Gahl et al., Nature Photon **2** 165 2008 T. Sato et al APEX **8**, 012702 (2015)

Correlation measurement between two independent setup



Correlation between independent measurements



Short summary

- New developments are on-going for characterizing XFEL beam properties, especially towards achieving high resolution
- Cross-check among different schemes is important for assuring reliability

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K. Tono et al., New Journal Phys. 15 (2013) 083035

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Example: SACLA



SACLA beamline

OH: Common optics & diagnostics

EH1: Beam diagnostics (Spectrum, timing)

EH2: Pump & Probe w/ unfocused beam

EH3: 1-um focusing (Imaging, crystallography)

EH4c: 1-um focusing (Nonlinear, Pump & Probe) Laser booth (CPA, OPA)

BL3

Configuration of beamline & optics at SACLA-SPring-8 Experimental



Basic optics

- Plane mirrors (A & B): rejection of high-energy harmonic and gamma-rays
- Double-crystal monochromator (Si 111): Band-pass filter



Mirrors for harmonic rejection



B.L. Henke, E.M. Gullikson, and J.C. Davis, Atomic Data and Nuclear Data Tables Vol. **54** (no.2), 181-342 (1993)

Double-crystal monochromator


X-ray Diagnostics



2015/9/25

SACLA Operation Status

14:22:40

Operation Mode	
BL3 User Operation	
Hutch in Use	
BL3 EH2	
Pulse Energy ~ 500 ul @ 10	keV Photon Energy / Wavelength
230.9 micro J/puls ≷10 fs pulse d	uration 15.0 keV / 0.082 nm
Repetition Rate	Intensity Fluctuation in 30 shots (STD)
30 Hz	14.8 %



Summary

- Connection between XFEL machine and beamline/optics becomes much important in advanced x-ray sources, including XFEL, DLSR and XFEL-O
- Tighter communications among electron & photon people (i.e., broader view) should significantly contribute to development of new light sources

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