

Case 5: FEL Driven by Plasma Injector

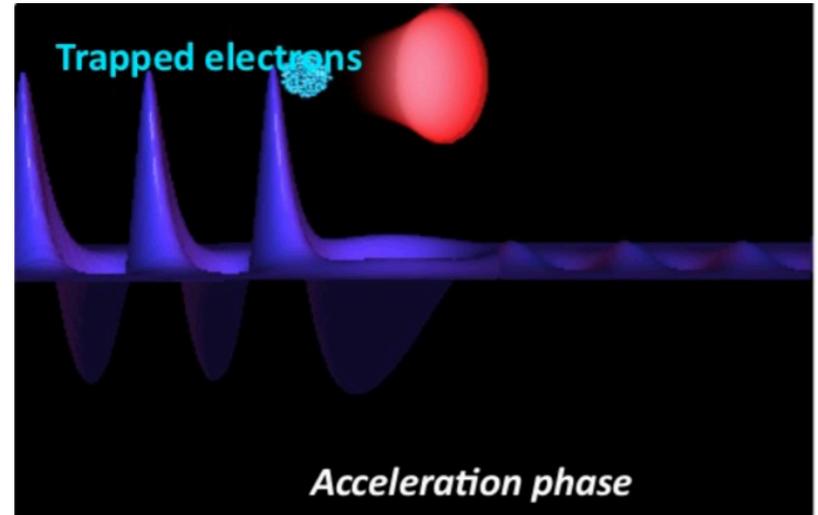
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Overview

LPAs electron beam

- High energy: 1 GeV
- High peak current : 10 kA
- Low emittance: 0.2 mm.mrad
- Energy spread : few % level



*T. Tajima and J. M. Dawson,
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Goal

- Development of compact FELs (radiation: GW, fs, coherence)

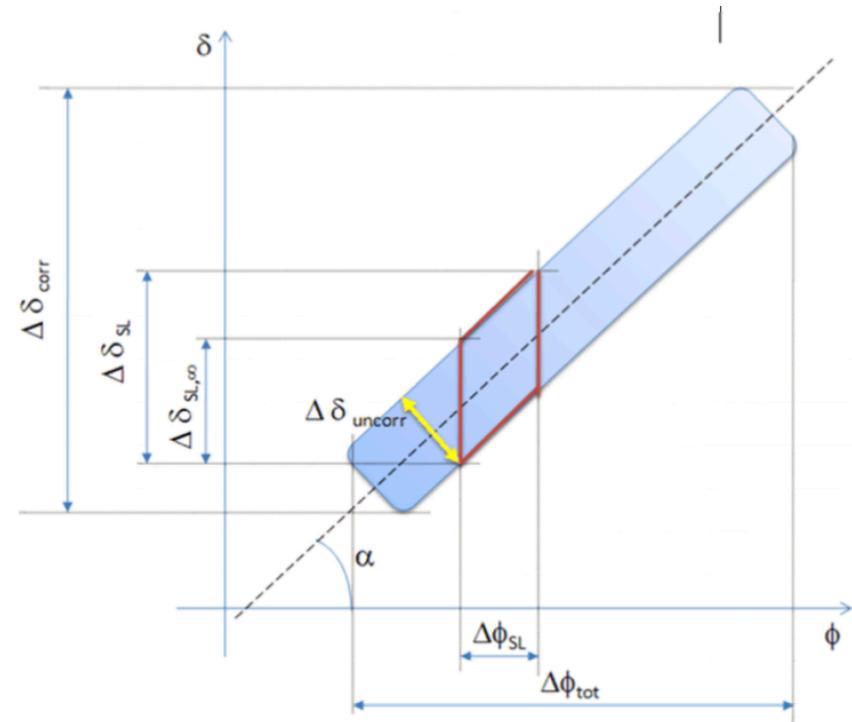
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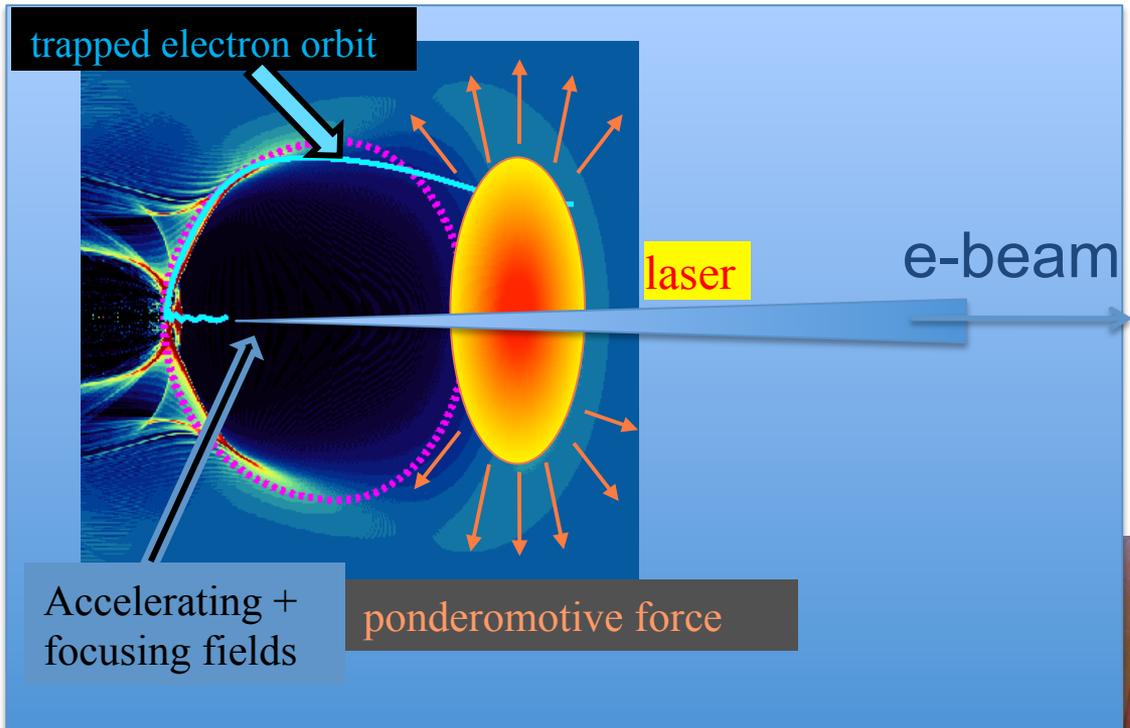
- large **energy spread** of short-wavelength FEL amplification

Beam manipulation to reduce slice energy spread :

- High peak current
- Longitudinal decompression
- Transverse gradient undulator, (It will be presented by Tao 😊)

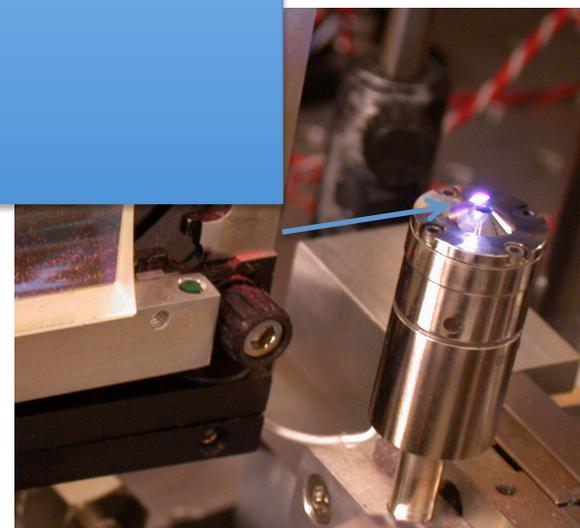
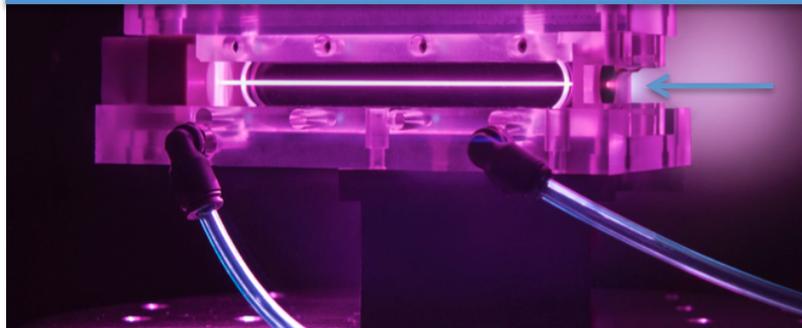


Laser Plasma Accelerator: laser pulses on a gas target



Gas Targets

Gas jet, gas cell,
discharged guiding channel
1mm to 10cm in length
density $\sim 10^{16}$ - 10^{18} cm⁻³

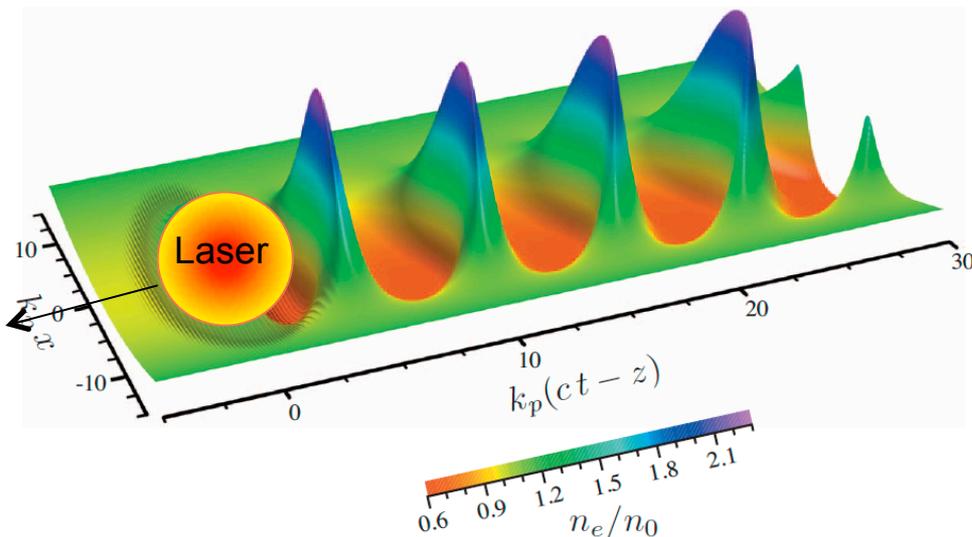


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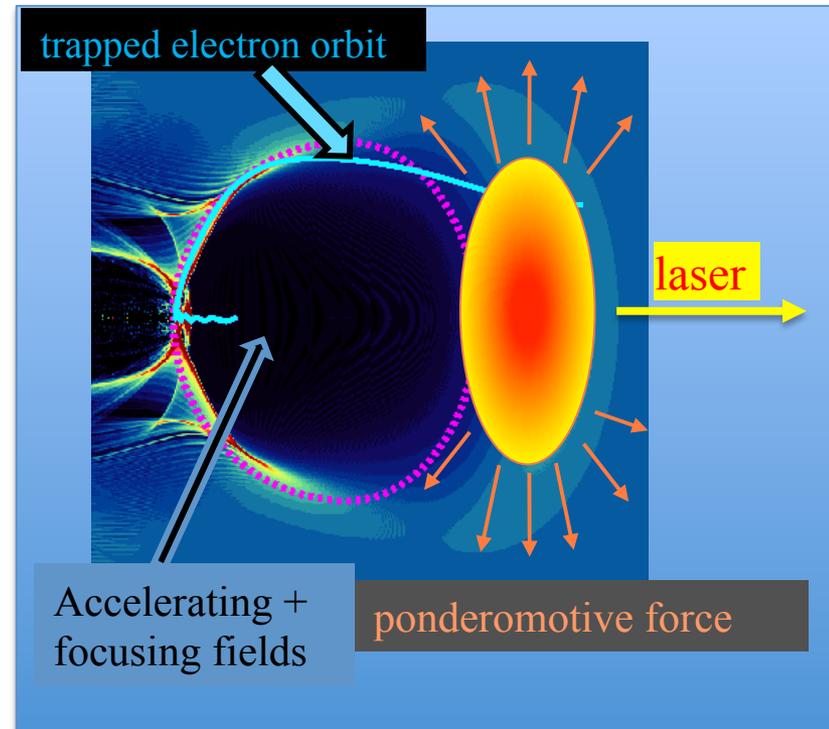
Laser plasma accelerators (LPAs) are compact and produce femtosecond relativistic e-beams



- Ionization
- Ponderomotive push \rightarrow charge separation
- Ions pull back electrons \rightarrow charge oscillation
- Strong accelerating fields propagate w/ laser
- Electrons externally- or self-injected
- Acceleration to GeV in mm's



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FEL application: LPA 6D electron beam brightness comparable to conventional sources



Beam brightness:
$$B_{6D} = \frac{N}{\epsilon_{nx}\epsilon_{ny}\epsilon_{nz}} \approx \frac{(I/I_A)}{r_e\epsilon_n^2\sigma_\gamma} = b_6\lambda_c^{-3}$$

LPA (~cm)

$\epsilon_N = 0.1$ micron
 1 GeV
 1-3% energy spread
 I = 3 kA (~10 fs)

$b_6 \sim 10^{-12}$

LCLS (~km)

$\epsilon_N = 0.4$ micron
 13.6 GeV
 0.01% energy spread
 I = 3 kA

$b_6 \sim 10^{-12}$

► FEL application requires post-LPA e-beam phase-space manipulation (redistribution)

- Emittance exchange
- Phase-space redistribution:
 - Longitudinal decompression (with tapered undulator)
 - Transverse dispersion (with transverse gradient undulator)

The proposed electron beam and machine parameters

Power gain model used:

Xie

Input data set:

none

Beam parameters:

Beam Energy [GeV] : 0.300
 Bunch charge [nC] : 0.04

Norm. Emittance [mm mrad]: 0.2
 Peak Current [kA] : 10

Energy Spread [MeV] : 3
 Beam Power [TW] : 3

Beam size [mu] : 26.339

bunch length [mu] : 0.479

#Bunches/sec. : 1

Undulator parameters:

Type : Hybrid with NdFeB

Geometry : planar

Period [mm] : 19

K-rms parameter : 0.9

Length [m] : 4

Peak field [T] : 0.718

Gap [mm] : 6.89

Bessel factor J0-J1 : 0.876

FODO period [m] : 4

Quadrupole gradient [T/m] : 10

Quadrupole Length [m] : 0.1

Quadrupole focal length [m] : 0.999

Average beta-function [m] : 2.033

beta_max/beta_min : 120.783

Radiation parameters:

Radiation wavelength [nm] : 50.06

Photon Energy [eV] : 24.776

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1D rho parameter (Bonifacio) : 0.01441

1D gain length [m] : 0.06

3D rho parameter : 0.005046

3D gain length [m] : 0.173

Saturation length [m] : 3.48

Shotnoise power [W]: 140.641

Saturation power [GW] : 8.481

Power at undulator exit [GW] : 8.511

Electrons per wavelength: 10429167

Effective Energy spread : 3.927

Diffraction parameter : 2.1

Spotsize at exit (FWHM) [mu] : 62.02

Divergence (FWHM) [murad]: 356.18

Bandwidth (FWHM) [%] : 1.19

Pulse duration (FWHM) [fs] : 1.88

Photons per Pulse : 0.043E14

Autocorrelation time [fs] : 9.329

Peak Flux [#/sec] : 21.394E26

Peak Brilliance* : 3.415E30

Pulse Energy [mJ] : 0.017

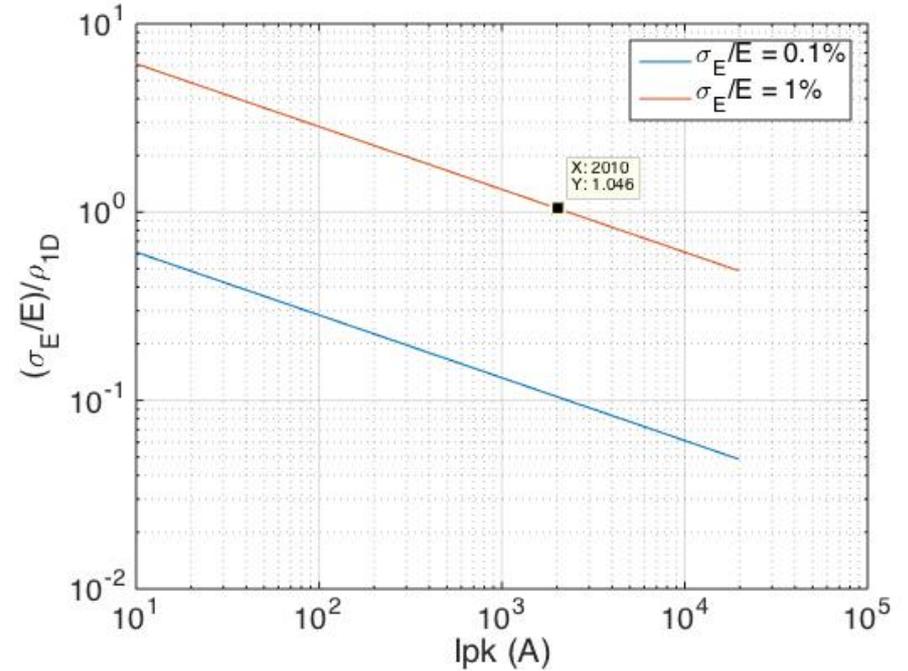
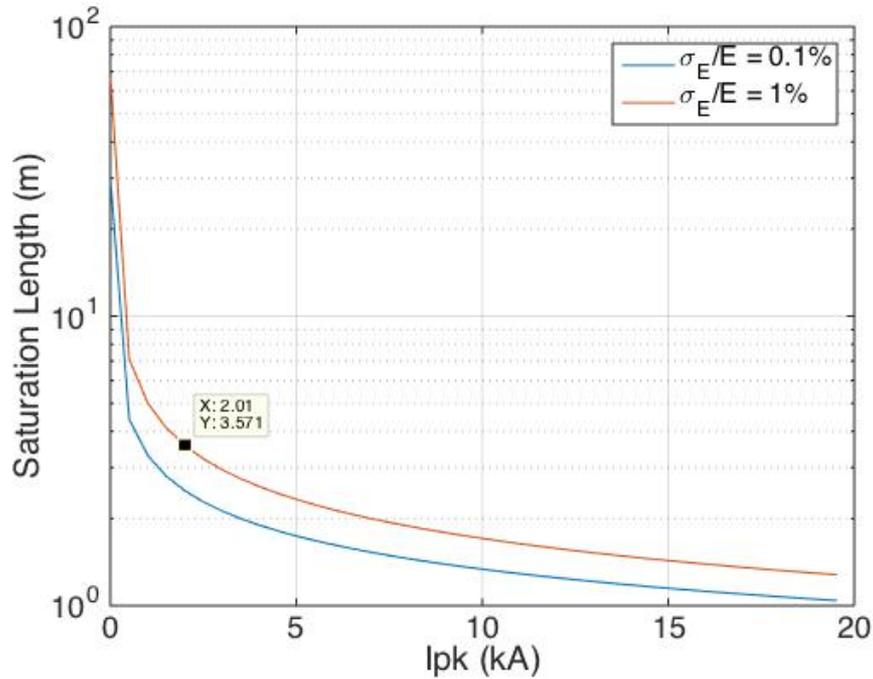
Average Flux [#/sec] : 0E18

Average Brilliance* : 0E21

SR Energy loss [MeV] : 0.0001

SR Energy spread [MeV] : 0

Higher peak current to overcome the impact of 1% energy spread



Disadvantage: Space charge force !

Space charge effect

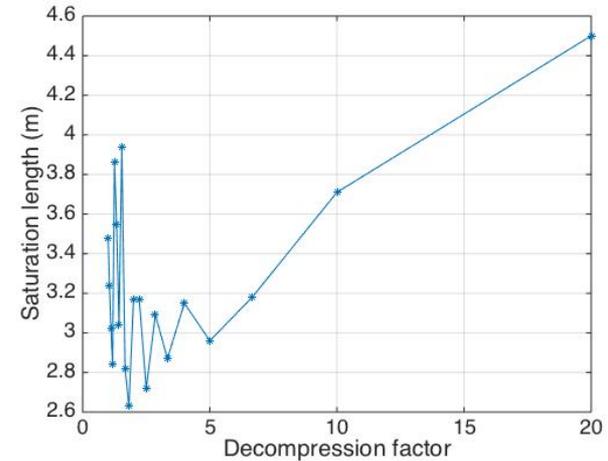
- The major space-charge induced effect on the bunch scale is the buildup of a longitudinal energy chirp.
- Electrons at the bunch head get accelerated while electrons at the bunch tail get decelerated. This energy modulation can reduce the efficiency of the FEL process.
- To maintain the FEL performance the width of the detuning range traversed by a photon during one gain length has to be smaller than the Pierce parameter

Dispersion of e-beam will mitigate slice energy spread

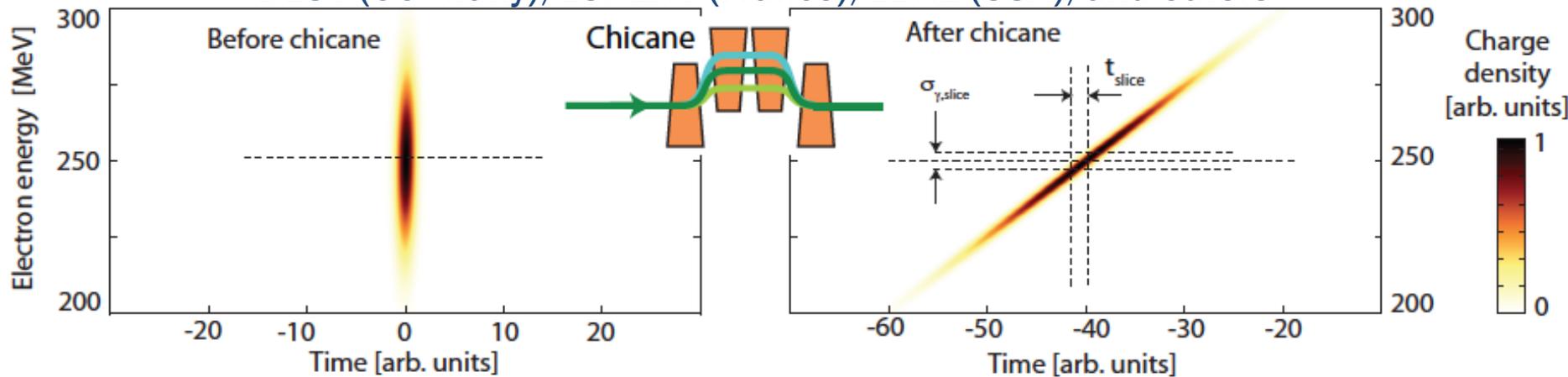


Key requirements

- Sub-% energy spread required for lasing slice
- Disperse/stretch electron beam
(although, gain length $\sim I_{pk}^{-1/3} \sim n^{1/3}$)



DESY (Germany), LUNEX5 (France), LBNL (USA), and others

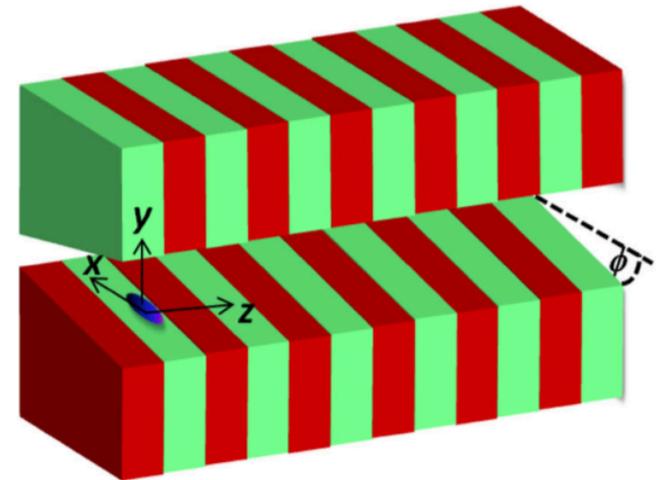
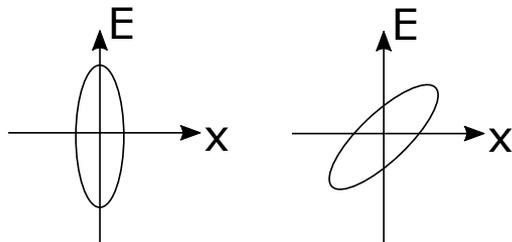
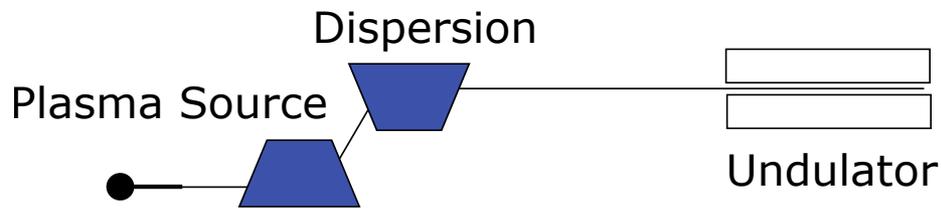


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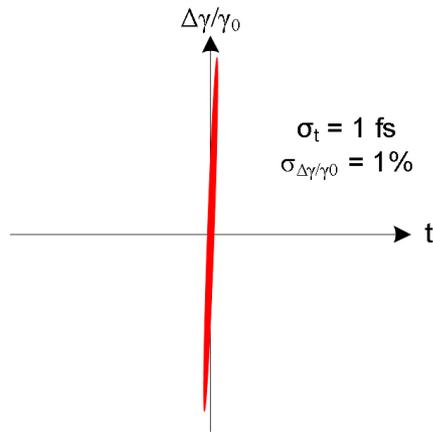
Transverse Gradient Undulator

TGU to reduce the sensitivity to electron energy variation for FEL oscillator

Higher energy electrons are dispersed to the higher field region to match FEL resonant condition.



Stretching the bunch transversely



$$\lambda_r = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma^2} \left(1 + \frac{K^2}{2} \right)$$

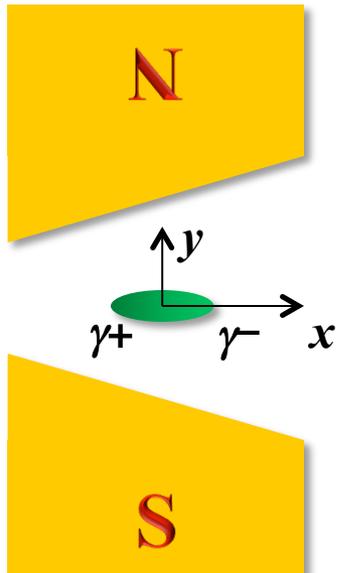
- Such a big energy spread cause different wavelength;
- **How to compensate?** K varied with energy also.

$$x = \eta \frac{\Delta\gamma}{\gamma_0}$$

$$\frac{\Delta K}{K_0} = \alpha x$$

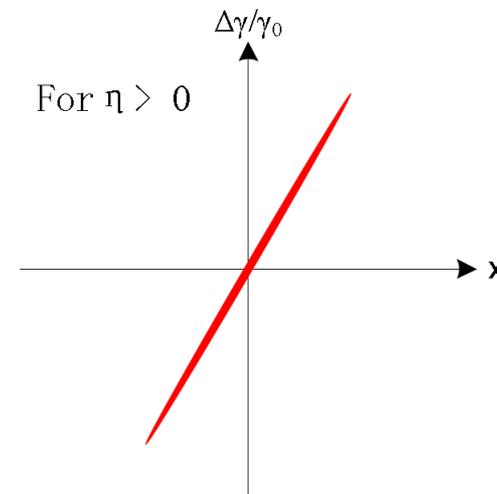
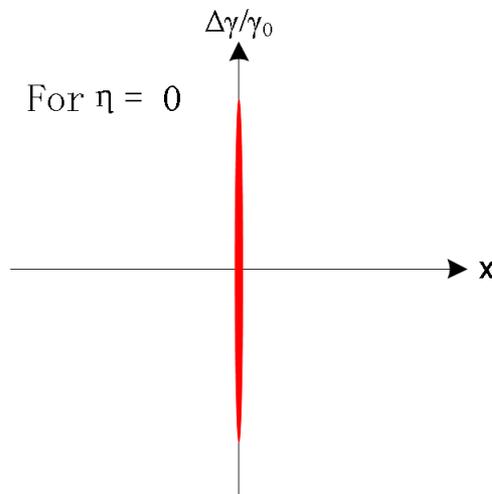
- Transverse Gradient Undulator (TGU) introduced at dispersion section. Resonance can be satisfied for all beam energies if

$$\eta = \frac{2 + K_0^2}{\alpha K_0^2}$$



- The influence of energy spread can be well compensated by TGU placed at finite dispersion;
- But the beam cross sectional area changed. In comparison with energy spread, such an impact is more slightly;

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2\gamma} \left[\frac{I}{I_A} \left(\frac{\lambda_u K f_B}{2\pi\sigma_x} \right)^2 \right]^{1/3}$$



- The design of TGU-FEL is a compromise between FEL performance and undulator technique & beam transport.

Beam Parameters used for TGU

Parameter	value
Beam energy (MeV)	300
Normalized transverse emittance (μm)	0.1
Peak current (kA)	5
Rms energy spread	1%
Injection Twiss parameter β (m)	0.01
Undulator type	Hybird
Undulator length (m)	5
Undulator period (mm)	20
Average beta function in TGU (m)	4.5
Horizontal dispersion η in TGU (m)	0.024
TGU maximum transverse gradient α (m^{-1})	100
External compensate field (gauss)	2
TGU gap adjust range (mm)	7.8 ~ 4.8
Undulator parameter K	1.2 ~ 2.2
Central peak field (T)	0.64 ~ 1.18

Gain length suppression using TGU

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Compact X-ray Free-Electron Laser from a Laser-Plasma Accelerator Using a Transverse-Gradient Undulator

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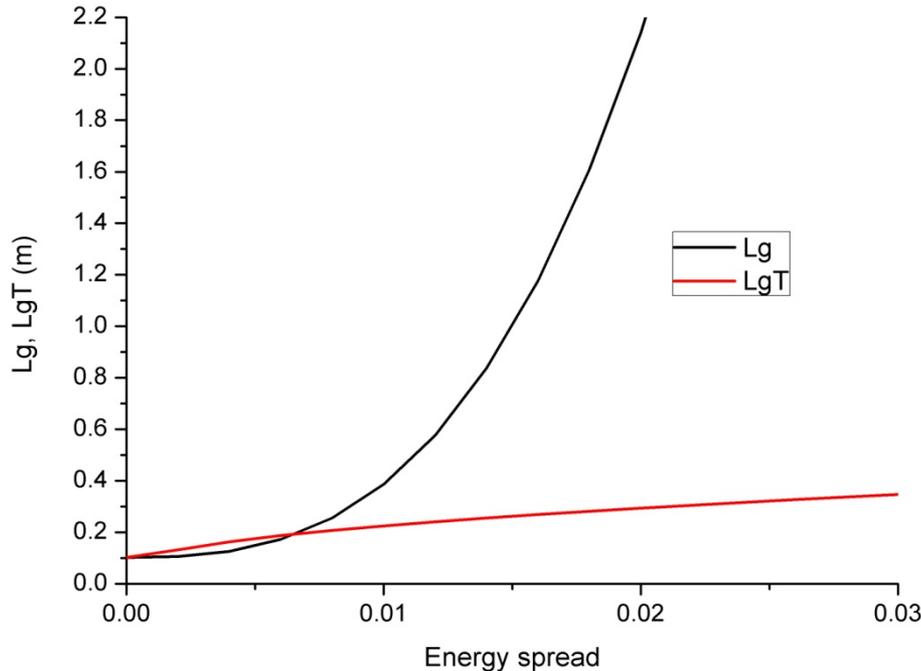
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Compact laser-plasma accelerators can produce high energy electron beams with low emittance, high peak current but a rather large energy spread. The large energy spread hinders the potential applications for coherent free-electron laser (FEL) radiation generation. We discuss a method to compensate the effects of beam energy spread by introducing a transverse field variation into the FEL undulator. Such a transverse gradient undulator together with a properly dispersed beam can greatly reduce the effects of electron energy spread and jitter on FEL performance. We present theoretical analysis and numerical simulations for self-amplified spontaneous emission and seeded extreme ultraviolet and soft x-ray FELs based on laser plasma accelerators.

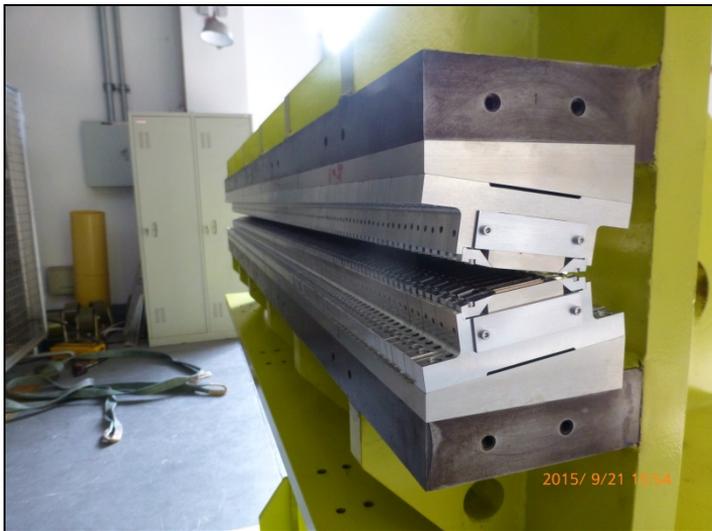
$$\rho_T = \rho \left(1 + \frac{\eta^2 \sigma_\delta^2}{\sigma_x^2} \right)^{-1/6}$$
$$L_G^T \approx \frac{\lambda_u}{4\pi\sqrt{3}\rho_T} \left[1 + \left(\frac{K_0^2}{2 + K_0^2} \right)^2 \frac{\alpha^2 \varepsilon_x L_u}{2\rho_T^2} \right]$$



- Gain length L_G calculated from Ming Xie model (without TGU);
- Gain length L_{GT} calculated from the upper formula (with TGU);
- For our case, the gain length is $\sim 0.25\text{m}$, the saturation length is $\sim 5\text{m}$.

Transverse Gradient Undulator

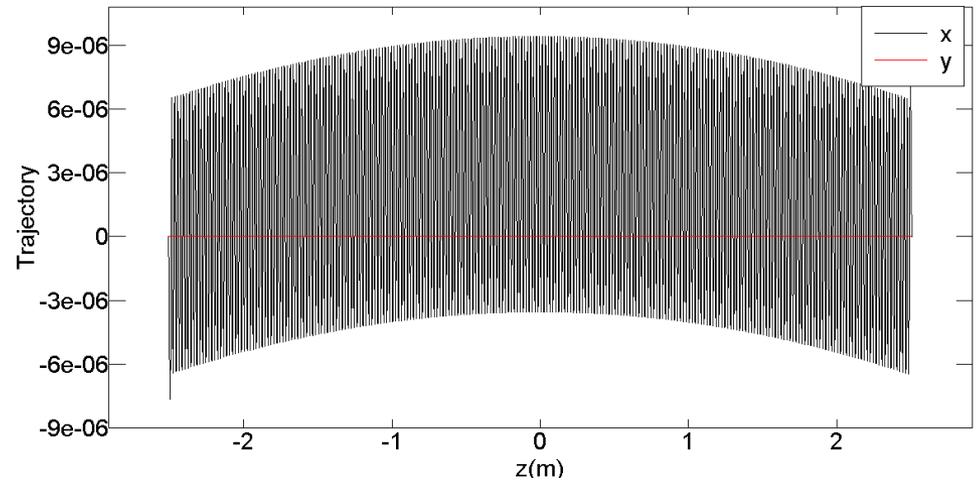
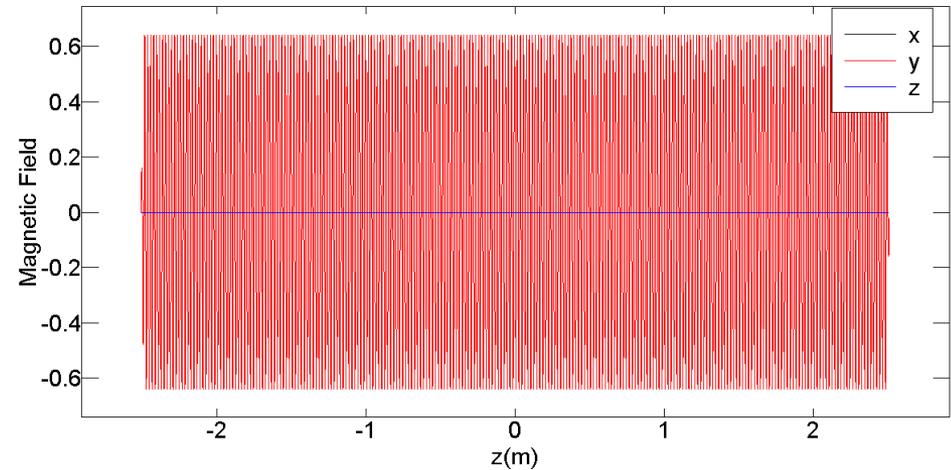
$$\alpha = 2\phi \frac{1}{K_0} \frac{\partial K_0}{\partial y} = 2\phi \left(\frac{5.47}{\lambda_u} - 3.6 \frac{g}{\lambda_u^2} \right)$$



Halbach-type hybrid undulator
with cant angle

e.g., $\phi = 14$ deg, $\lambda_u = 2$ cm, g
 $= 7.8$ mm

$= 100 \text{ m}^{-1}$



Compensated by 2 gauss
external magnetic field

Summary of suggested schemes for mitigation of energy spread

Schemes	Comments
Longitudinal decompression	Compromise between peak current drop and energy spread suppression
Higher Peak current	Space charge effects and loss of emittance control. Increase of FEL parameter but dependence is too weak!
Transverse decompression	The beam can lase independently in the different transverse locations and hence loses spatial coherence. This will lead to a multimode beam that is less focusable and has reduced coherent flux.

Thank you slide!

- Thank you Sven for fruitful discussions! 😊

Thanks for your attention!

Appendix

Case 5 –FEL driven by Plasma Injector

- Goal: *Use the output from a plasma injector to drive an FEL in the UV range.*
- Background: The non-linear regime of a laser driven plasma channel can generate a relativistic electron beam with small emittance but rather large energy spread. They can potentially shorten the classical RF injector and accelerator of FEL facilities down to a few meters.
- Approach: Experiments have shown promising beam parameters with a current of hundreds of Amperes, small emittances of about 100 to 200 nm but an relative energy spread of 1% at a beam energy of several hundreds of MeV. The practical limit to apply the beam to an FEL is its large energy spread.

Case 5 - Tasks

- With an expected energy spread of about 1% discuss the methods to overcome this limitation by
 1. Stretching the bunch longitudinally, where the energy spread decreases linearly with the decompression but the FEL parameter only with its cubic root
 2. Stretching transversely with dispersion and apply a transverse gradient to the undulator field.
- Propose possible configuration of the machine layout for both methods. Discuss possible limitation in the wavelengths with any of the methods.
- An alternative approach is to generate much higher peak current to overcome the impact of 1% energy spread. What is the minimum current to allow lasing at 300 MeV and a wavelength of 50 nm. Discuss the impact on longitudinal space charge.

FEL equations

Spread in the average beam energy →

- spread in resonant condition and degrading FEL gain

$$\lambda_r = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma_0^2} \left(1 + \frac{K_0^2}{2} \right).$$

High-Gain FEL requirements:

$$\sigma_\delta = \frac{\sigma_\gamma}{\gamma_0} \ll \rho = \left[\frac{1}{16} \frac{I_0}{I_A} \frac{K_0^2 [JJ]^2}{\gamma_0^3 \sigma_x^2 k_u^2} \right]^{1/3},$$