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Observation of SASE at the
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Test facility for SwissFEL components.

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U15 Undulator Installation in Tunnel



December 2013: Installation in Tunnel of the undulator

U15 Parameters: λ_U=15 mm; In vacuum – Hybrid; 1.0 < K < 1.8 4 m long; 17 tons; 266 periods; Nd-Fe-B (Dy)





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YAG Screen



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Distance from U15 exit

Z=2.2 m

Z=4.0 m

130 MeV; 200 pC ~100 A K=1.28 λ=210 nm

Measured divergence = 0.3 mrad (-> SASE)



Comparison to Genesis FEL divergence

Measurement:

Simulation:





SASE fluctuations



1st Screen (0.5 m downstream U15)

130 MeV; 200 pC ~100 A K=1.28 λ=210 nm

This is scintillation on YAG ... YAG is not so efficient at 210 nm.

Intensity fluctuations should follow a gamma distribution: $p(E) = \frac{M^M}{\Gamma(M)} \left(\frac{E}{\langle E \rangle}\right)^{M-1} \frac{1}{\langle E \rangle} \exp\left(-M \frac{E}{\langle E \rangle}\right)$

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Undulator Tunability



Conclusions:

- Good preparation for future SwissFEL Commissioning: team integration, ...
- Test of Alignment procedure based on "Alignment quadrupoles": MOP040
- Measurements of undulator kick angles (Vertical plane!): MOP041
- Observation of SASE signal (confirmation of e- beam and U15 quality): MOP053







Beam Loss Monitors



Courtesy of Cigdem, Edwin and Florian



U15 Alignment Quadrupoles





Pneumatic support to drive In and Out the Alignment Quadrupole





U15 Alignment: horizontal plane



200 pC; 200 MeV

Courtesy of M. Aiba



Light shots with 100 MeV electron

Spectrometer – Single Shot

CCD camera counts (#×10³) . . wavelength (nm)



FEL performance for nominal conditions





- FEL is in linear exponential gain
- Strong reduction of radiation divergence w.r.t. spontaneous radiation
- In the measurements we worked mostly at longer wavelengths (lower E) in exponential mode
- Saturation can only be reached if non-linear compression



SITF Layout with U15





Undulator side components

