Simultaneous Measurement of Electron and Photon Pulse Duration at FLASH



Why measure FEL pulse durations ?

- > FEL characterization
- > non-linear physics
- > Ultra-fast Dynamics:

Pump – probe experiments









- 1. Can we setup the FEL to a **defined** pulse duration
- 2. Calibrate "indirect" methods against "direct" ones
- 3. Measure the scaling factor between **photon** pulse length and **electron** bunch length
- 4. Find out advantages / disadvantages of different methods



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> Electron beam diagnostics

- Transverse Deflecting Structure (TDS)
- THz spectroscopy (CRISP)
- Bunch Compression Monitor (BCM)
- Indirect photon based methods
 - Spectral characteristics
 - Pulse energy fluctuations statistics
 - Mapping SASE to visible light: "afterburner"
- > Direct photon based methods
 - Autocorrelation
 - Optical Cross-correlation
 - THz streaking
- > Experimental results
- Start to end simulations
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Electron Diagnostics: Transverse deflecting cavity (TDS)



PRO:

- very good resolution (few fs)
- (meanwhile) online diagnostic
- Arbitrary pulse in bunch train can be measured

CON:

- only 1 bunch out of bunch train destructive !
- dispersive measurements (chirp) not online





Courtesy: M. Yan, Ch. Gerth

Electron Diagnostics: CRISP

Beamline overview



Courtesy: E. Hass, B. Schmidt





PRO:

- reconstructed bunch shape for single bunches
- •Arbitrary pulse in bunch train can be measured

CON:

- •Needs complicated math to get to bunch shape
- •only 1 bunch out of bunch train destructive !



Electron Diagnostics: Bunch Compression Monitor (BCM)

Setup BCM (Beam Compression Monitor)





PRO:

- parasitic
- bunch resolving
 CON:
- no info about bunch shape
- •Dependent on integration area (detector response)

Courtesy of S.Wesch



$$I_{\rm coh} = \int \frac{dU_{\rm coh}}{d\lambda} \mathrm{d}\lambda.$$



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Indirect PHOTON methods: spectral correlations





PRO:

- Rel. easy to use
- bunch resolved **CON:**
- not parasitic (at Flash)
- assumptions needed for reconstruction

A. A. Lutman, et al. Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams **15**, 030705 (2012).



Courtesy N. Gerasimova, R. Engel



Indirect PHOTON methods: Statistical fluctuations



PRO:

- rel. easy to use
- Relies on well tested theory **CON**:
- Only valid for linear regime
- Only **lower limit for pulse dur.** in saturation
- remove machine-related fluctuations
- Spatial and temporal modes are mixed

$$\tau_{fel} = M \tau_{coh}$$

$$p(W) = \frac{M^M}{\Gamma(M)} \left(\frac{W}{\langle W \rangle}\right)^{M-1} \frac{1}{\langle W \rangle} \exp\left(-M\frac{W}{\langle W \rangle}\right)$$
$$M^{-1} = \sigma_W^2 = \langle (W - \langle W \rangle)^2 \rangle / \langle W \rangle^2$$

Ackermann et al., Nature Photon.1(2007)336



Indirect PHOTON methods: "afterburner"



Courtesy: N. Stojanovic

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Direct PHOTON methods: auto correlation



Courtesy R. Moshammer

FEL split and delay



R. Mitzner, et al. Optics Express 16, 19909 (2008); F. Sorgenfrei, et al, Rev. Sci. Instrum. 81, 043107 (2010)

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Direct PHOTON methods: auto correlation





Pathways to He²⁺ at 24 nm

eV

54.42

52,24

48.38

40.82.

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Pro

- "direct" measurement (for known reactions) Con
- **Experimentally challenging** (takes long time)
- (up to now) averaging technique •
- well defined for < 25 nm •
- For XUV several path lead to same ionization state -> Simulations needed



Direct PHOTON methods: XUV reflectivity

X-Ray Reflectivity of Si₃N₄



Direct PHOTON methods: Undulator based THz streaking

THz streak camera for femtosecond XUV pulse length measurement

Experimental setup





Courtesy M. Drescher

Direct PHOTON methods: Undulator based THz streaking



Courtesy M. Drescher

What was measured ???

Machine parameters:

- 13.5 nm, 150 pC, ~ 50 µJ, 30 bunches, 250 kHz
 -> goal ~ 50 fs
- 24.0 nm, 130 pC, ~ 50 μJ, 30 bunches, 250 kHz
 -> goal ~ 50 fs with gradient





Machine parameters:

• 13.5 nm, 150 pC, ~ 50 μ J, 30 bunches, 250 kHz -> goal ~ 50 fs



Direct and indirect photon methods (13.5 nm)



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Photon and electron methods (13.5 nm)



Machine parameters:

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Simulation with Gaussian model (FAST)



1D simulation with Gaussian longitudinal electron profile

E.L. Saldin, E.A. Schneidmiller, M.V. Yurkov, Nucl. Instr. Meth. A 429 , 233 (1999).C. Behrens, et al. Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 15, 030707 (2012)



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Courtesy M. Yurkov, E. Schneidmiller

Start-to-end simulation (Astra, CSRtrack & Genesis)

Simulation by M. Rehders Poster / paper MOP059.





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Only the leading part of the bunch has low emittance and good matching



Start-to-end simulation (Astra, CSRtrack & Genesis)



Spatial electron distribution

One example for a non-Gaussian particle distribution.



- > Goal parameters reached (50 fs, 50 µJ)
- > Very good agreement between direct and indirect photon based methods
- > scaling factor (photons/electrons) 0.3-0.4 can be explained with simulations.











Direct and indirect photon methods (24 nm)



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Summary 24 nm run

Goal parameters reached: 50 fs +-30fs, 50 µJ

- > Large scatter of measurements
- > scaling factor (photons/electrons) ~ 0.6
- Limits due to assumptions used by different techniques (Gaussian photon pulses, sensitivity to chirp ...)
- Not enough information available to reconstruct cause for discrepancies
- > New test measurements needed



Summary

- No pulse length diagnostic for ALL needs
- > Electron bunch length diagnostics:
 - Good monitor for changes (drifts)
 - Estimate for XUV pulse duration (upper limit for short wavelength)
- > Photon pulse length diagnostics
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Better knowledge about XUV pulse duration / shape @ FLASH:

- > focus on pulse length photon diagnostics:
 - Direct: Laser based THz streaking (own setup designed / collaboration PSI, XFEL ...)
 - Direct: XUV-optical reflectivity changes (ongoing measurements, e.g. Nat Comm. 4 1731 (2013))
 - Indirect: Afterburner (THA04)
 - Indirect: Spectral analysis (evaluation of "online" pulse duration tool)
- > Single mode operation (TUB04)
- > Seeding options ...



