

High Accuracy Adaptive (transverse) Laser and Electron Beam Shaping

... and a bit about DC gun emittance vs. gun gap

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Most of the optimal front dominated by thermal emittance!

Can it be demonstrated experimentally?





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Model captures everything but the **transverse laser shape**!

(longitudinal shape well modeled)



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• Now, force the optimizer to use the actual measured beam transverse profile!





- Previous optimizations: want something accurate!
- Practical aspects of laser shaping: Want something adaptive.
- Quantum Efficiency of cathodes has spatial variation (from growth)



Cornell grown NaKSb

• QE damaged during high current operation. Laser shaping could "fill" in the holes!

CEBAF GaAs cathode: 3 offset laser spots used.



J. Grames, AIP Conf. Proc. 980 (Vol. 110), 2007



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Electron beam feedback

 We can account for stray field (and solenoid rotation) by measuring the coordinate transformation between the SLM and the viewscreen.



Knowing this, we can feedback directly on the e-beam. Never image the photons!





Beam feedback: Additional shapes

• A few additional demonstrative shapes:





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Back to preshaping the laser: try something harder!



• Sharp features are well preserved!



Detailed Shapes: e-beam feedback



- e-beam establishes an extremely precise relationship between the SLM → photocathode → viewscreen
- We can both account for (measure!) electron aberrations and QE variations.



Conclusions

- High accuracy, adaptive laser transverse profiles boost brightness and operational stability for high current accelerators.
- SLMs operating in the polarization subtraction mode well-suited for photoinjector shaping.
- Accurate, adaptive electron transverse electron beam distributions are a reality.



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Cornell MKII Gun: Segmented





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A movable anode

• A moveable anode provides an adjustable photocathode field.





HV Performance

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- Surprisingly good agreement between different HV systems.
- But what configuration is best for the beam emittance? –Turn to simulations.



DC gun, various gaps

- Choose 3 Cornell style guns as the injector source \rightarrow use MOGA
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How about the core emittance?

0.1

0.2

bunch charge (nC)

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0.4

0.3

0.5

58



invariant. (RMS emittance is not.)



• DC gun experimental beamline:





Temporal Shaping with SLM

• Birefringent temporal shaping crystals + downstream linear polarizer?

