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## LCLS Injector Commissioning Results

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Description of LCLS and Its Injector

Commissioning Milestones

- The Drive Laser & Cathode
- Electron Beam Measurements

Unexpected Physics

Summary of Results and Conclusions

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# The LCLS will use the last 1/3 of the SLAC linac to create an x-ray FEL



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## **LCLS Design Parameters**

Fundamental FEL Wavelength	1.5	15	Å
Electron Beam Energy	13.6	4.3	GeV
Normalized Slice Emittance (rms)	1.2	1.2	mm-mrad
Peak Current	3.4	3.4	kA
Energy Spread (slice rms)	0.01	0.03	%
Bunch/Pulse Length (FWHM)	≤ <b>200</b>	≤ <b>200</b>	fs
Saturation Length	87	25	m
FEL Fundamental Power @ Saturation	8	17	GW
FEL Photons per Pulse	1	29	<b>10</b> <sup>12</sup>
Peak Brightness @ Undulator Exit	0.8	0.06	10 <sup>33</sup> *
* photons/sec/mm²/mrad²/ 0.1%-BW			





### LCLS Accelerator & Compressor Systems







### Injector and Bunch Compressor 1 Commissioned from April to September 2007 ~5 Months



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## **Commissioning Milestones**

- **Spring 2006: Civil construction of buildings/shielding completed**
- Summer 2006: Drive Laser Installed
- Oct-Nov 1006: Gun1 high power conditioning in Klystron Lab
- Fall 2006-Spring 2007: Drive laser commissioned, optics installed
- Spring 2007: Injector & BC1 beamline installed
- March 16, 2007: RF gun installed & RF processing started
- April 5, 2007: First Photo-electrons
- April 9, 2007: E-beam to 135 MeV
- April 16, 2007: E-beam to 250 MeV & compressed in BC1
- June 24, 2007: E-Beam to 15 GeV (200pC)
- July 24, 2007: E-Beam studies at 1 nC
- July 26, 2007: E-Beam at 1nC to 15 GeV
- August 8, 2007: Compressed 1 nC e-beam to 15 GeV
- August 2007: Injector Meets LCLS Requirements





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### Thales Drive Laser System



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## 3D RF Design of Gun

- Z-coupling:
  - reduces pulsed heating
  - increases vacuum pumping
- Racetrack to minimize quadrupole fields
- Deformation tuning to eliminate field emission from tuners
- Iris reshaped, reduces field 10% below cathode
- Increased 0-π mode separation to 15MHz
- All 3D features included in modeling:
  - Iaser port and pickup probes
  - **3D fields used in Parmela simulation**

RF Parameters	
f <sub>π</sub> (GHz)	2.855987
Q0	13960
β	2.1
Mode Sep. ⊿f (MHz)	15
E0:E1	0.999:1



C. Limborg et al., "RF Design of the LCLS Gun", LCLS-TN-05-3

L. Xiao et al., "Dual feed rf gun design for the LCLS," Proc. 2005 Particle Acc. Conf.

Slide Compliments of Z. Li & L. Xiao

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## March 16: Gun-Solenoid Assembly Installed at Sector 20!



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Laser reliability is very good: Up-time > 90%
Excellent support from Thales & Femtolasers
Delivering > 400 microJoules to cathode (250 is spec)
Shaping needs work, but still producing good emittances

•Excellent energy stability (1.1%)

•Position stability on cathode, ~10-20 microns.



X-Correlator Measurement of Laser Pulse

1.1% charge stability at 1nC, 2% is spec

Laser stability vs. time



STEP VARIABLE = TIME STEPS=500 DELAY=.10000

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### **Cathode Uniformity:**

### **Comparison of White Light & Electron Emission Images**

#### June 6, 2007 White light cathode image



#### June 2, 2007 Electron beam image of cathode @ ~9pC



•Emission is very non-uniform on the 10-micron scale •Perform ~weekly inspection of the cathode surface

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#### Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Laboratory Cathode QE and Uniformity



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### **Projected & Slice Emittances at 1nC**

Projected Emittance (rms) at 1nC (95% of the beam):  $\varepsilon_x = 1.14$  microns  $\varepsilon_y = 1.06$  microns Slice Emittance, Current & Matching: Slices 3 to 7 (tail) are all below 1 micron. Head slices (8-10) are > 1 micron. Peak Current is 100 amps.



On-line analysis tools by H. Loos

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### **Comparison with Simulations**

Measured emittance depends upon truncation of tails. Experimental analysis truncates 5% of the base area of the images. Therefore emittances are for 95% of the beam agreeing with similar analysis of simulations.



 $\varepsilon_{thermal} = 0.6 \text{ micron / } mm = 0.6 \text{ mrad (normalized divergence)}$ 

#### See C. Limborg-Deprey et al., Poster TUPPH019

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## Transverse Cavity (RF-Deflector) Measurements of Bunch Length



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### Linearization of Longitudinal Phase Space Measured Using the RF Deflector & OTR Screen in Center of BC1



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### Bunch Length Measurements at 135MeV & 15GeV



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## **BC1 Edge Radiation Bunch Length Monitor**

#### **Coherent Radiation Sources from Bend**



#### Edge Radiation Simulation



Bunch length after BC1: 60 – 200 µm Wavelength range to determine bunch length: 0.3 – 1 mm Measure integrated coherent power and use frequency filters

#### Measurement Layout



#### Slide and data compliments H. Loos

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### Unexpected Physics! Strong Optical Microbunching with BC1 Set to Maximum Compression

Generation of COTR in the Visible Spectrum Indicates Microbunching & Interferes with Using OTR Profiles for Emittance Measurements.

Comparison of Bunch Length Monitor & OTR Signals OTR Images Fluctuate from Shot-to-Shot & Can Even Produce "Ring-Like" Shapes!



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### Unexpected Physics! Coherent Optical Transition Radiation after DL1 Bend Even With No BC1 Compression



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## **BC1 Chicane Emittance Growth**



Best  $\gamma \varepsilon_x$  after BC1 with nom. (& more) compression is 1.6  $\mu$ m (& larger)

Poor bend field quality (grad. + sext.) –  $\Delta E/E$  scan shows 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>-order  $\eta$ 

- Screen image biased by COTR wires vibrate variable results (& in y)
- Bends will be upgraded in fall '07 + proper chirp set (now >2%  $\rightarrow$  1.6%)

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### **Problems / Issues**

- Low cathode quantum efficiency
  - Improving with time & laser cleaning
- Drive laser oscillator loses lock to the RF reference
  - New oscillator to be installed during fall 2007 (Compliments of Femtolasers)
- BC1 dipoles have marginal field quality
  - Problem aggravated by longer bunch from gun than expected: 1.05mm instead of 0.84mm (rms)
  - Will be shimmed and re-measured during Fall 2007
- Crucial diagnostics not functioning
  - Faraday cup
  - On-axis alignment laser
  - Gun-to-Linac charge toroid
- Significant wake fields in x-band structure
- Difficult to maintain good emittance
  - Day-to-day emittance varies from 1.1 to 1.5 microns for projected
- OTR diagnostics plagued by COTR
  - Also starting to see small 'holes' in 1 micron Al foils
  - Digital cameras lose trigger and video synch
- Wire scanners vibrate

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#### **Comparison of Required and Demonstrated Beam Properties**

Parameter	Sym	dsgn	meas.	unit
Final e <sup>-</sup> energy	γ <b>mc</b> ²	15	15	GeV
Bunch charge	Q	1000	1000	pС
Init. bunch length (fwhm)	∆t <sub>o</sub>	10	10	ps
Fin. bunch length (fwhm)	$\Delta t_{f}$	2.3	1.5	ps
Initial peak current	<b>I</b> <sub>рк0</sub>	100	100	А
Projected norm emittance	γε <sub>x,y</sub>	1.2	1.1 to 1.3	μm
Slice norm. emittance	γε <sup>s</sup> <sub>x,y</sub>	1.0	0.8 to 1.0	μm
Single bunch rep. rate	f	120	10-30	Hz
RF gun field at cathode	E <sub>cathode</sub>	120	115	MV/m
Laser energy on cathode	U,	<b>250</b>	450	μJ
Laser wavelength	λ,	255	255	nm
Laser diameter on cathode	2R	1.5	1.3	тт
Cathode material	-	Си	Cu	
Cathode quantum eff.	QE	6	3	10 <sup>-5</sup>
Commissioning duration	-	8	5	то

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## **Summary of Accomplishments**

- Achieved emittance goal of 1.2 micron projected, Less than 1 micron / slice at 1nC!
- Peak current 100 amps out of gun, 500 amps after compressing in BC1
- Less than 1.5% charge jitter
- Accelerated compressed bunches to 15 GeV
- **Greater than 90% system up-time** 
  - Operating continuously April 5 to Aug 24, 2007
- First Observation of Coherent Optical Transition Radiation during beam transport and compression
- The Injector Meets LCLS Requirements!





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Pie(m)-oi-Gold Emittance at the end of the Rainbow

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