Fresh slice self-seeding and fresh slice harmonic lasing at LCLS

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Motivation for High efficiency TW-level X-ray FEL







2.1 A resolution *Trypanosoma brucei* cysteine protease cathepsine B



Aquila et al., "The LCLS single particle imaging roadmap" Stuct. Dynam. 2, 041701



LCLS-II New Instruments Workshop Report (2012)



Topological magnetic structures representing magnetic bits on future disk drives

TW power increases resolution of Resonant X-ray scattering

Fuchs et. al., Nature Physics 11, 964–970 (2015) Shwartz et. al., PRL 112, 163901 (2014) A. Palffy, Nature Physics 11, 893–894 (2015)



Nonlinear ("two-photon") compton scattering from bound electrons. Anomalous frequency shift suggests new physics to be understood.

High intensity X-rays necessary to probe nonlinear physics close to the Schwinger field





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<u>Method</u>

- FEL can be suppressed by inducing transverse oscillation on parts of the bunch
- Can be controlled in real time by moving the dechirper jaws (changing the offset)
- Dipole correctors with an appropriate delay can steer seed pulse onto "fresh" electrons









The "fresh-slice" method at LCLS: modes of operation

For additional fresh-slice schemes see TUP026 TUP055 TUP056

C. Emma et. al. App Phys. Lett. 110, 154101 (2017)

FBSS proof of principle: statistical properties

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Fresh bunch harmonic lasing demonstration at LCLS

Conclusion

- (1) We studied **undulator tapering strategies** to increase the efficiency of XFELs and reach TW peak power levels. Scientific applications are in single molecule imaging, AMO science, nonlinear physics, quantum materials etc.
- (2) The **sideband instability** was identified as a fundamental process which limits the peak power of high efficiency tapered XFELs.
- (3) We have presented a solution to the sideband problem, the **fresh bunch self-seeding method**, and demonstrated it experimentally at the LCLS.
- (4) Our demonstration of FBSS shows a **brightness increase** of 12/2 times compared to SASE/ self-seeding.
- (5) We studied **fresh bunch harmonic lasing** by proposing a double-bunch FEL system for high power, high photon energies (> 12 keV).

What Next?

(1) Plan to demonstrate fresh slice harmonic lasing at LCLS in the near future.

(2) Can we ever reach 1 PW?

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