TWO-DIMENSIONAL BEAM SIZE MEASUREMENTS WITH X-RAY HETERODYNE NEAR FIELD SPECKLES

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Beam size measurements

Why do we measure beam sizes?

- Emittance in storage rings
- Luminosity in colliders
- Coherence of emitted SR (X-rays)

How do we measure beam sizes?

- Imaging (X-ray pinhole camera)
- Interferometry (Young)
- Heterodyne Near Field Speckles (?)

X-ray pinhole camera



Light through the aperture forms an inverted, magnified image of the source

Pros: 2D, simple
Cons: limited resolution

Double-slit interferometry



Beam size is inferred from the visibility of interference fringes (Complex Coherence Factor of the radiation, CCF)

Pros: high resolution

> Cons: 1D, one length-scale, mainly with visible light

The probe: colloidal suspensions



SiO₂ spheres, 500 nm diameter



X-ray speckles at NCD undulator beamline (ALBA)

HNFS: the single particle case



Circular interference fringes modulated by 2D CCF Spatial frequency of fringes increases away from the center (chirped signal): spatial scaling

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Spatial scaling

 $\Delta r = z \frac{q}{k}$

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HNFS: many particles



2D coherence mapping via PS of heterodyne speckles

$$I(q,z) = T(q,z)C\left(z\frac{q}{k}\right) \qquad C = |\mu|^2 \qquad T(q,z) = 2\left[\sin\left(\frac{zq^2}{2k}\right)\right]^2 \quad \text{Talbot} \text{ oscillations}$$

HNFS: general formulation

$$I(q,z) = T(q,z)C\left(z\frac{q}{k}\right)H(q)S(q) + P(q)$$

H(q) = MTF (resolution) S(q) = particle form factor <math>P(q) = noise

We can measure the MTF under actual operating conditions (in-line, at-wavelength) from speckles at short *z*:

$$C\left(z\frac{q}{k}\right) \to 1$$
 for $z \to 0$

The HNFS setup at NCD (ALBA)



Experimental data: coupling scan



Power spectra are tilted by 5 deg (beam? optics?)

As the beam coupling increases:

- same hor coherence (beam size unchanged)
- ver coherence decreases (beam size increases)

Data reduction



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$$H(q)S(q) = \frac{I(q,z) - P(q)}{T(q,z)}$$



Data reduction



Results: coherence



Horizontal coherence length (rms) [µm]				Vertical coherence length (rms) [µm]				
κ = 0.50 %	κ = 0.65 %	κ = 1.60 %	κ = 2.80 %	κ = 0.50 %	κ = 0.65 %	κ = 1.60 %	κ = 2.80 %	
4.2 ± 0.2	4.3 ± 0.2	4.1 ± 0.2	4.3 ± 0.2	105 ± 32	65 ± 11	44 ± 4	36 ± 1	

Results: beam sizes



125 ± 6	122 ± 6	126 ± 6	122 ± 6	4.5 ± 1.4	7.5 ± 1.3	11.3 ± 1.0	14.3 ± 0.4

Conclusions and perspectives

- HNFS as a 2D interferometric technique for measuring few-µm beam sizes
- Tested at NCD (ALBA) for 4 different values of the beam coupling
- Further outcome: in-line at-wavelength measurement of the system MTF
- In the future, test novel samples (gold) to increase SNR