Investigation of the Thomson scattering influence on electron beam parameters in an energy-recovering linear Accelerator on the example of MESA

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Mainz Energy-Recovering Superconducting Accelerator (MESA) Layout



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Graphic is a modified version of Fig.1.2 in D.Simon's "Gesamtkonzept für den MESA-Teilchenbeschleuniger unter besonderer Berücksichtigung von Strahloptik und Kryotechnik" PhD Thesis



Mainz Energy-Recovering Superconducting Accelerator (MESA)



Beam energy ER/EB	[MeV]	105 / 155 /	130MeV potential Thomson scattering mode
Injection Energy	[MeV]	5	Injector
Operating mode		CW	
Source type		DC 100 keV, pol. (DC 200 keV, pol.)	possible location for Thomson scattering arc
Bunch charge ER/EB	[pC]	0.77 / 0.12 (7.7 / 0.12)	
Norm. emittance ER/EB	[µm]	< 1 / 0.15 (< 2 / 0.15)	
Beam polarisation EB		> 0.85	
Accelerating passes ER/EB		2/3	
Beam power at exp. ER/EB	[kW]	100 / 23 (1000 / 23)	
RF-frequency	[MHz]	1300	DarkMESA
RF-power installed	[kW]	300	
Main linac energy gain/turn	[MeV]	50	
Main linac gradient	[MV/m]	13 (16) ,	[*] EB = external beam mode ER = energy recovery mode

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Brief overview of Thomson scattering parameters





¹Curatolo, C.. "High brilliance photon pulses interacting with relativistic electron and proton beams." (2016).

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ThoBaSCo calculation of normalized scattered photon intensity for 130MeV MESA & 1132nm Laser







Python calculations for Thomson scattering of 130MeV MESA electron bunch & 1132nm Laser at observation angle $\theta = 1/(3\gamma)$



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ThoBaSCo calculation of normalized scattered photon intensity for 130MeV MESA & 566nm Laser





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ThoBaSCo calculation of normalized scattered photon intensity for 130MeV MESA & 283nm Laser



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- Thomson scattering with small a_0 results in a per mille of electrons possessing a lower energy. $E_{var} \approx 0.0011 0.0044$ for $\lambda = 1132 - 283nm$
- As MESA runs at 1.3GHz, a MHz repetition rate on the electron side is easily achievable while a 1kHz lasers pulse rate is commonly available and can feasibly be multiplied using Fabry-Perot Cavity solutions, both ensuring a high scattered photon flux.
- recovery and transportation of halo particles depends on Thomson scattering arc design as well as MESA energy acceptance
- this constitutes a hard limit of achievable maximum scattered photon energy independent of laser feasibility



Outlook on further work as part of PhD thesis



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- detailed gamma radiation intensity study
- lattice design for Thomson scattering arc
- investigation into ways to take advantage of beam polarization
- detailed start to end simulation for Thomson scattering source at MESA

