

PROGRESS REPORT ON AN X-BAND HIGH-GRADIENT PHOTOINJECTOR



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OUR APPROACH TO HIGH BRIGHTNESS Motivation





SHORT PULSE XGUN DESIGN

- X-band 1.5-cell rf gun (Xgun)
- Operate on π -mode @11.7 GHz
- Strongly over-coupled • Short fill-time
- Cathode is the Cu backwall of the Xgun cavity







TRUE R2.000mm 0.079in COAXIAL RF-INPUT COUPLER





BEAMLINE FOR THE 1ST BEAM TEST Nov. 2021 PETS [1]



 J. Shao *et. al.*, doi:10.18429/ JACoW-IPAC2019- MOPRB069 (2019)
 W.H.Tan *et. al.*, arXiv:2203.11598v1 (2022)

- Gun conditioned to high gradient (Nov. 2020)

 achieved 350 MV/m within 70k pulses ^[2]
- Beam energy characterization



BEAM ENERGY CHARACTERIZATION



beam energy measurement

• Xgun phase scan @340 MV/m

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BEAMLINE FOR THE 2ND BEAM TEST With linac installed; July 2022





POWER SPLITTER AND PHASE SHIFTER TEST March 2022



- Both components were tested with high power
- Power splitter:
 - 0-100% power variation
- Phase shifter:
 - >180 deg phase shift

[1] Sergey Kuzikov et. al., doi:10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-MOPOMS013 (2022)







PRELIMINARY EMITTANCE MEASUREMENT July 2022



Parameter	Value	Unit
Laser σ_x	0.189	mm
Laser σ_{y}	0.234	mm
Laser bunch length (FWHM)	300	fs
Xgun peak E-field	280.0 ± 3	MV/n
Xgun phase ¹	31.8	degree
Bunch charge	44.9 ± 10	pC
Solenoid B-field	0.202	Т
Linac peak field	86.9 ± 2	MV/n



- Emittance was measured by quad scan:
 - $\varepsilon_{n,v} = 11.26 \, \mu m$ (due to geometry asymmetry of the linac)

XYG5

- Kinetic energy: 5.9 MeV
- This is a preliminary test. Xgun was not operated at optimized parameters.





COMPARISON WITH SIMULATIONS

- Based on all real operating params., $\varepsilon_{sim} \sim 3.7 \ \mu m$ close to $\varepsilon_{mea} \sim 5.6 \ \mu m$.
- Possible factors causing emittance growth:
 - o laser spot size
 - o laser pulse length
 - Xgun launching phase
 - o solenoid field
 - o linac gradient

Parameter	Sim. set#1	Sim. set#2
Laser $\sigma_{x,y}$	0.2 mm	0.2 mm
Bunch charge	45 pC	45 pC
Xgun peak E-field	280 MV/m	280 MV/m
Xgun phase ²	10° to 90°	31.8°
Solenoid B-field	0.202 T	0.17 T to 0.24 T
Linac peak field	86.9 MV/m	86.9 MV/m

Table 2: List of simulation parameters



• At current gradient and configuration (non-ideal linac), emittance can be improved to $1 \ \mu m$ by carefully tuning the Xgun phase and the solenoid strength.



CONCLUSION

- A program to develop a high brightness photoinjector based on short-pulse RF is underway as collaboration between ANL, Euclid, and NIU.
- Recent developments:
 - High gradient achieved ~400 MV/m
 - Beam energy characterized
 - Preliminary emittance measured at limited resources (re-purposed linac, solenoid, etc.)
- Future plans:
 - Upgrade the laser system to carefully shape and diagnose the laser distribution and control its transverse size.
 - Add an OPA (optical parametric amplifier) to match the wavelength to the effective work function (compensate for the Schottky effect).
 - A new linac (with cylindrical symmetry) is designed and under construction.
- This source will serve as an injector for an 0.5 GeV accelerator for a linear-collider module demo and also to support research on the compact FEL.



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BACKUP





EXTRACTED POWER VS. AWA DRIVE CHARGE







GUN RF CONDITIONING



Quick information:

- Conditioning process is fairly quick.
- Achieved 350 MV/m within 80k pulses.
- No observable dark current after conditioning.

* Reflection signal was measured from a directional coupler.



LASER FOR EMITTANCE MEAS.



Table 1: List of the operating parameters

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