

Summary of COTR Effects.

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Standard transverse diagnostic for e-linacs

Transverse beam profiling through Optical Transition Radiation (OTR)

- ★ Full transverse information
- ★ Single shot measurement
- ★ Broad selection of available detectors
- ★ Simple and robust setup geometry

► Standard method for emittance measurement, beam matching, etc.



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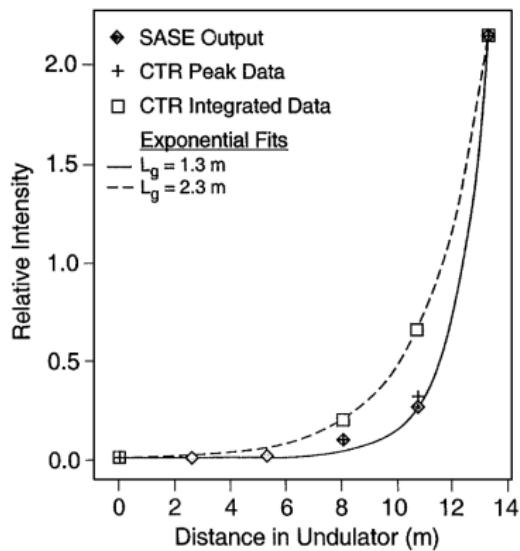
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Number of electrons N large ($\sim 10^9$) → Only small fraction has to participate!

Does NOT image the beam profile!

COTR on purpose @ APS

A.H. Lumpkin et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **86**, 79 (2001)



Machine info

- SASE FEL Experiment
- $\lambda_u = 537\text{ nm}$
- $\sigma_t = 200 - 1000\text{ fs}$
- 5 undulator segments
- Each equipped with OTR station
- Separation of SASE light and OTR

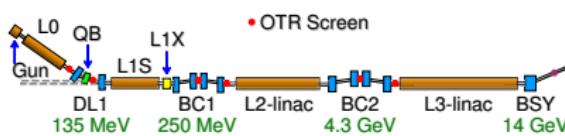
SASE microbunching formation

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growth of OTR intensity

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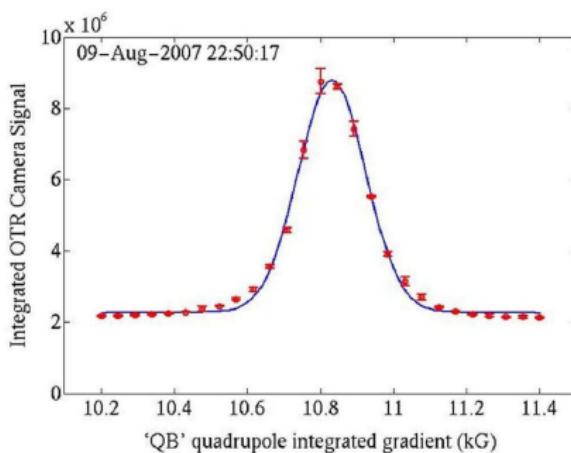
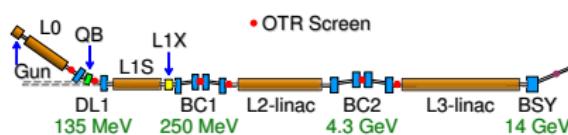
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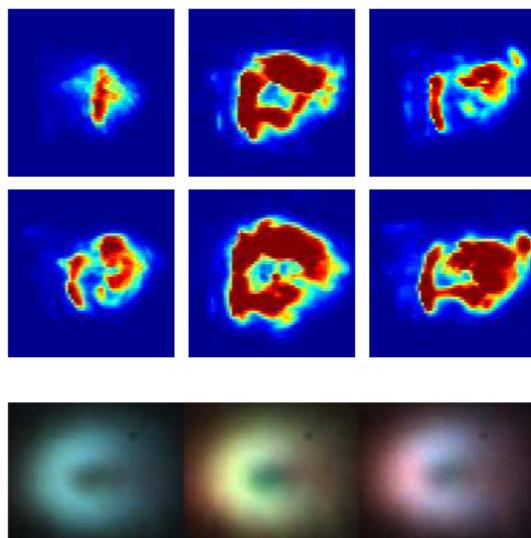
- OTR intensity varies by factor 4
- Max. intensity - DL1 tuned to $R_{51} = R_{52} = 0, R_{56} \neq 0$
- $\sigma_{x,y}$ increased by 25%

Comparison with incoherent level

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bunch fraction $3 \cdot 10^{-5}!$

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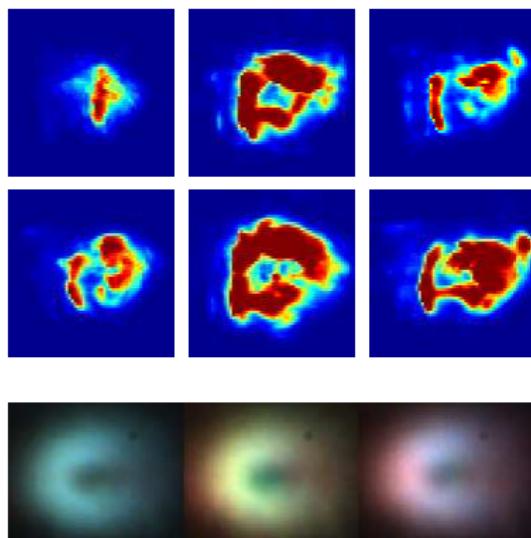
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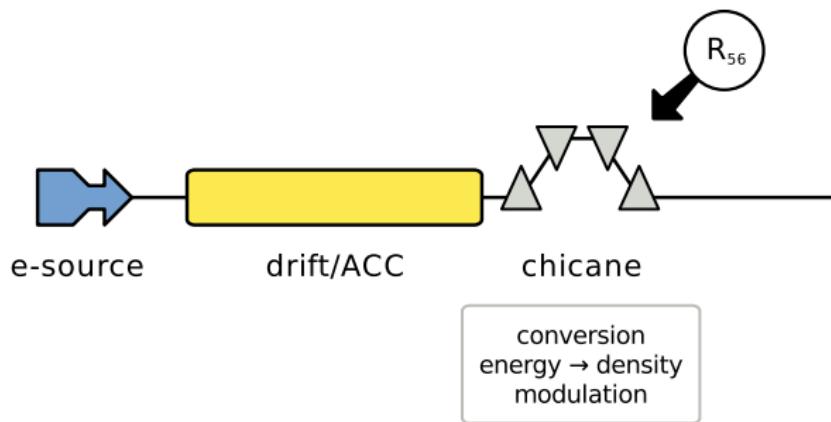
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★ No OTR measurements possible between dogleg and dump dipole!

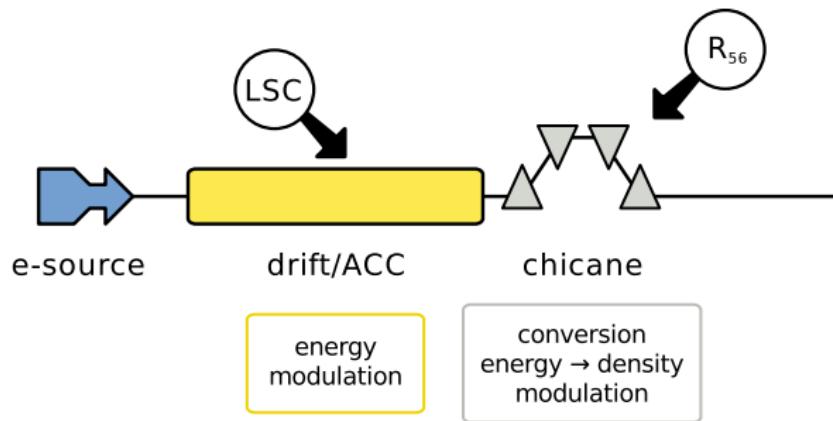
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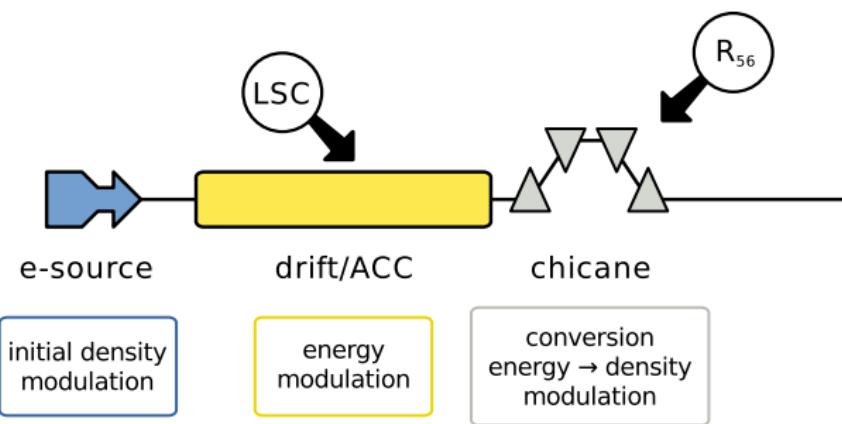
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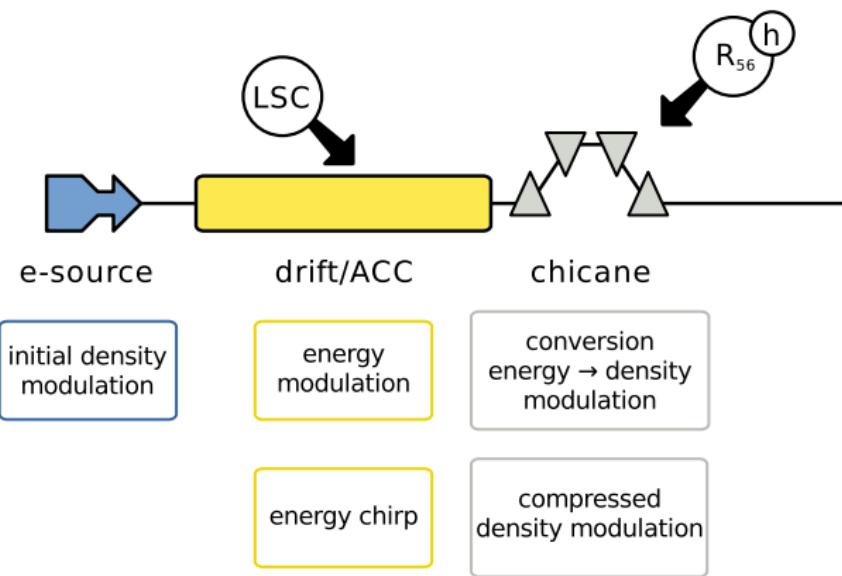
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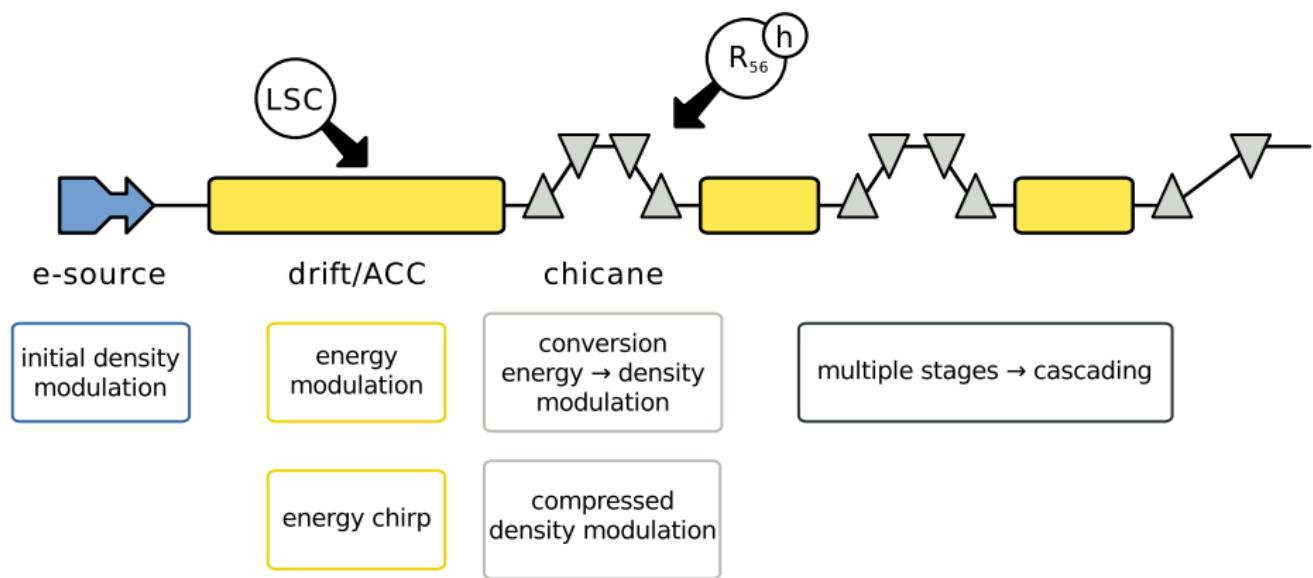
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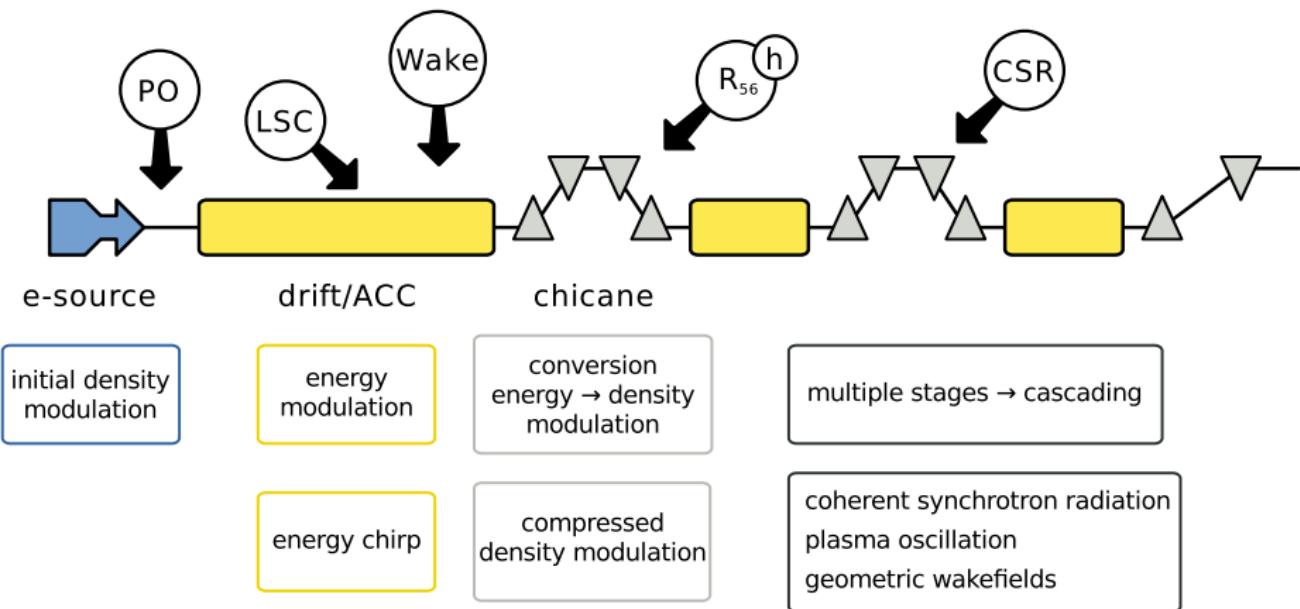
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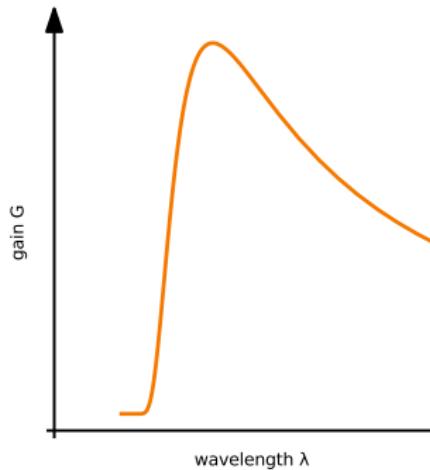
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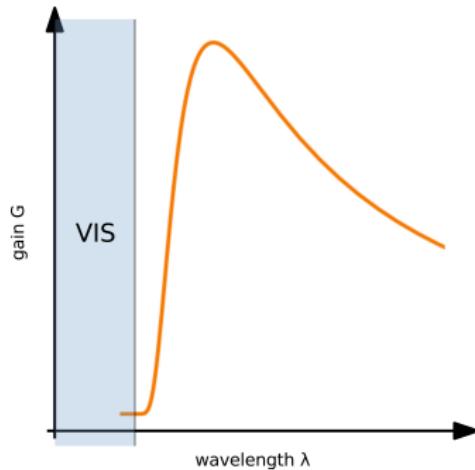
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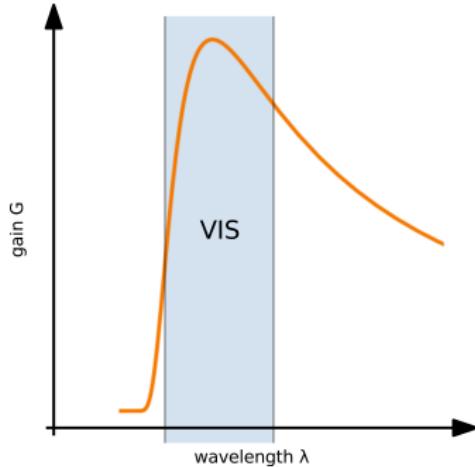
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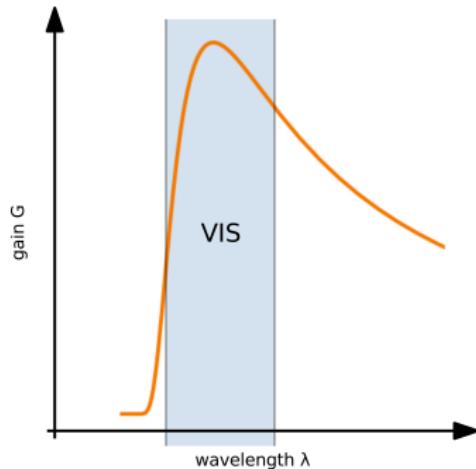
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$\frac{\lambda}{2\pi} \gamma_0 < \sigma_{x,y} \rightarrow \text{3-dim treatment necessary!}$

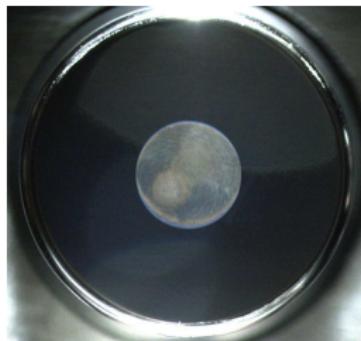
$(F_{3D}(\lambda, \Omega), \epsilon_n, \beta, R_{51}, R_{52})$

Initial modulation for RF photoinjectors

Potential sources:

Non-smooth temporal laser profile

- Finite bandwidth of drive laser
- $\rightarrow \Delta\lambda_{\text{laser}} \approx 1 \text{ nm}$ @ UV $\lambda_i > 50 \mu\text{m}$
- \rightarrow Visible for compressed bunches



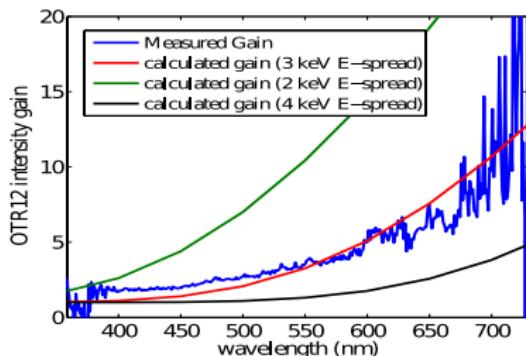
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Inhomogeneity of photocathode

- Irregularities of surface
- \rightarrow Small variation in QE

Shot noise

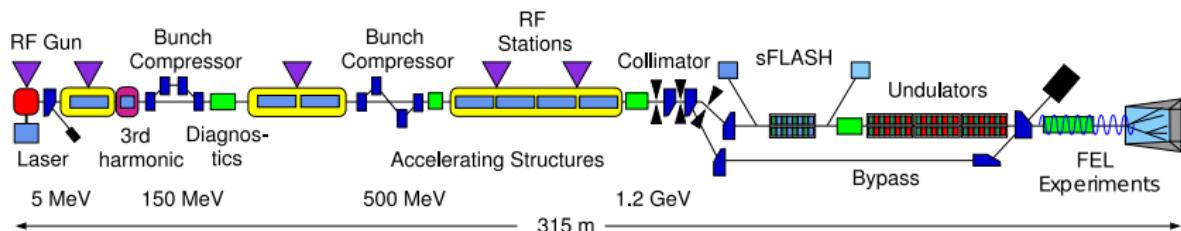
- Pointlike electrons
- White spectrum in modulation
- \rightarrow 3-dim treatment
- $\rightarrow \delta_E = 3 \text{ keV}$



D. Ratner et al., FEL2008, Gyeongju, Korea, p. 338

Microbunching instability @ FLASH

Overview 2011



Setup till Sep. 2009

- roll-over compression
- $Q \approx 1 \text{ nC}$

Gun $\sigma_t \approx 5 \text{ ps}$ (rms) @ $I_{\text{peak}} \approx 40 \text{ A}$

BC1 $\sigma_{t,\text{spike}} \approx 200 \text{ fs}$ @ $I_{\text{peak}} \approx 0.3 \text{ kA}$

BC2 $\sigma_{t,\text{spike}} < 50 \text{ fs}$ @ $I_{\text{peak}} > 1 \text{ kA}$

Setup since spring 2010

- linearized phase space
- $Q = 150 \text{ pC} - 1 \text{ nC}$

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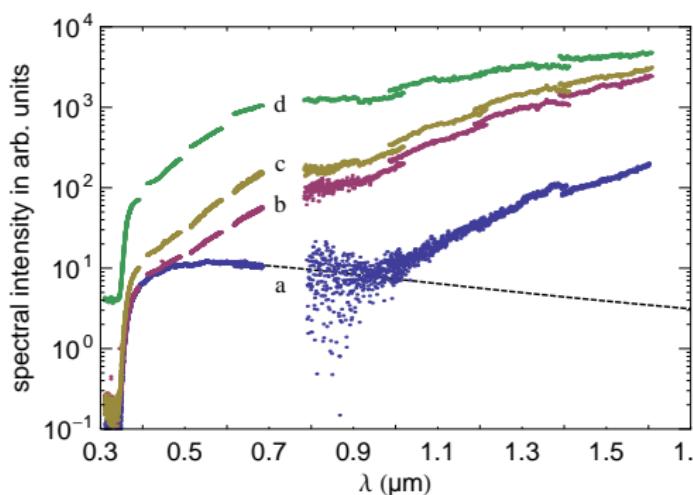
BC1 $\sigma_t > 500 \text{ fs}$

BC2 $\sigma_t > 50 \text{ fs}$

Spectral measurements VIS and NIR

S. Wesch et al., FEL2009 Proc., Liverpool, UK, p. 619

In front of dogleg w/o 3rd harmonic (roll-over compression)



Compressed beam (a)

- no COTR
- coherent fraction starts @ $1 \mu\text{m}$

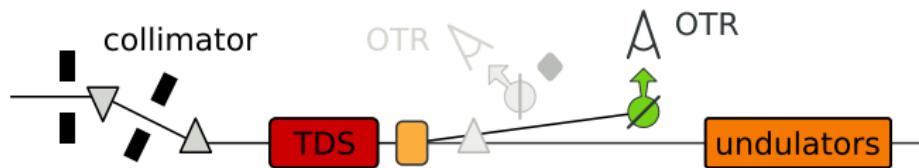
Microbunching not obvious
 \rightarrow Could be related to short spike ...

Uncompressed beam

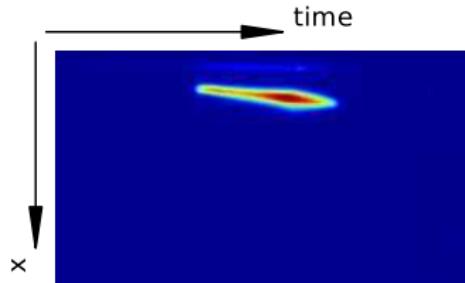
- b.) Shift of coherent cut-off to shorter wavelength ($C \rightarrow 0$)
- c+d.) Reduced $R_{56} \rightarrow$ shift cut-off into UV region

Spectral content is very broadband

Time resolved measurements @ FLASH



C. Behrens et al., FEL2010 Proc., Malmö, Sweden, p. 131



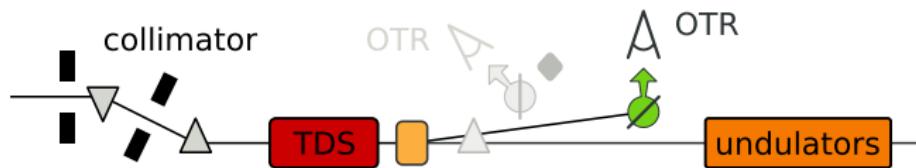
x - t - plane

- Vertical time streak (shearing of slices)
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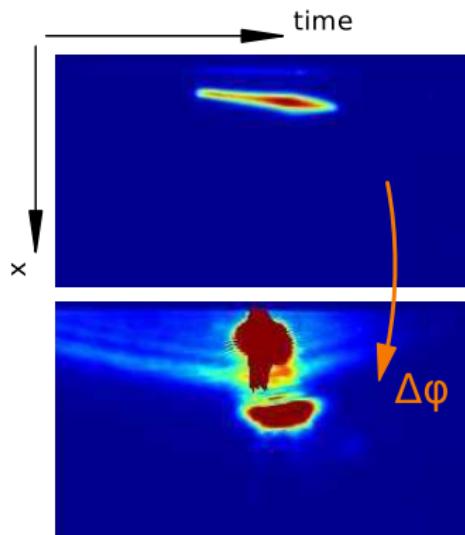
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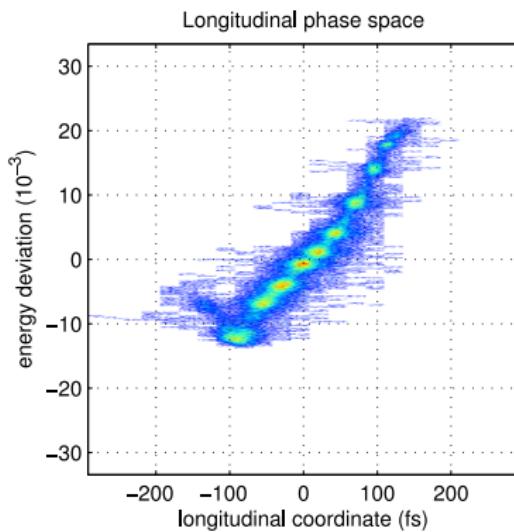
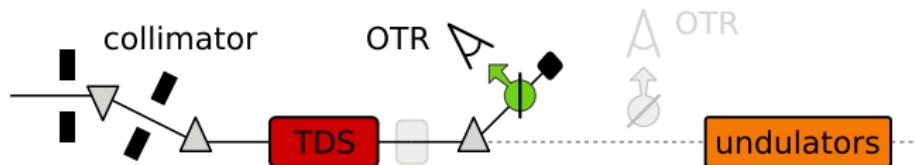
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$\Delta E/E - t$ -plane

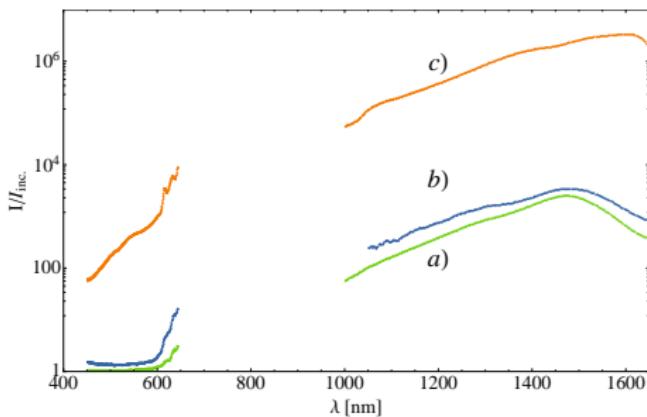
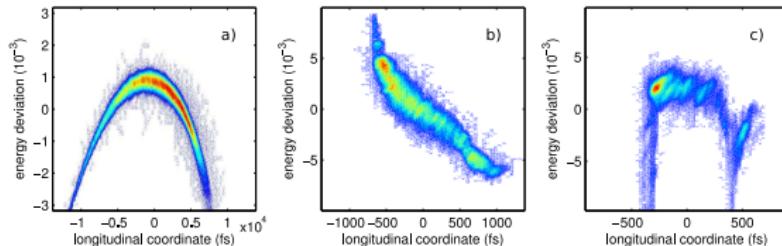
- Vertical time streak
- Horizontal energy dispersion (R_{16})
- Destroying transverse coherence (R_{5i})!
- Phase space measurements possible!

Macroscopic modulations

- Shot-to-shot variation
- scale 20 fs
- Resolution limited (14 fs)

Spectral measurements VIS and NIR

Behind dogleg with 3rd harmonic



Mean COTR spectra

- COTR for all compressions
- Intensity increasing with C
- OTR diagnostic impeded
- Cut-off $\lambda_{\text{coh},\min} \approx 600 \text{ nm}$
- Dominated by dogleg
- Weaker cut-off for (c)
- CSR effects from upstream (current spikes)

Other RF photoinjector linacs

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A.H. Lumpkin et al., Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams **12**, 080702 (2009)

Operation: NLCTA (SLAC, USA)

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S. Weathersby et al., PAC2011 Proc., New York, USA, p. 1

Commissioning: FERMI (Elettra, Italy)

- positive COTR
- not clearly identified to uB Instability
- generation of short spike
- analysis ongoing ...

private communications S. Di Mitri

Thermionic cathode based linacs

Operation: APS (Argonne, USA)

- no indication for COTR
- same accelerator structure for RF gun!

A.H. Lumpkin et al., Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams **12**, 080702 (2009)

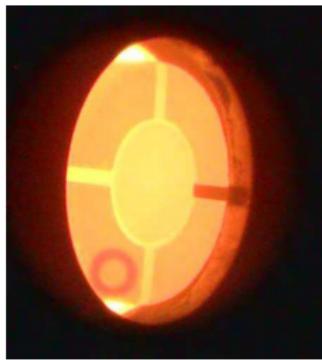
Operation: SCSS (SPring-8, Japan)

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Commissioning: SACLAC (SPring-8, Japan)

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- probably generation of short electron bunch
- analysis ongoing...

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Courtesy Shintake

Are thermionic cathode based linacs less prone to microbunching instability?

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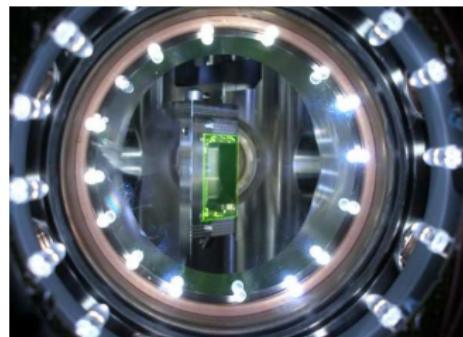
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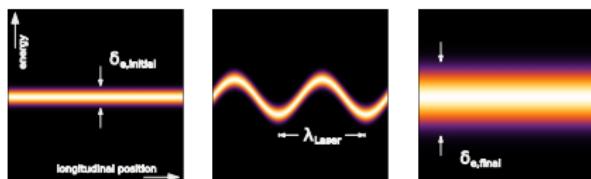
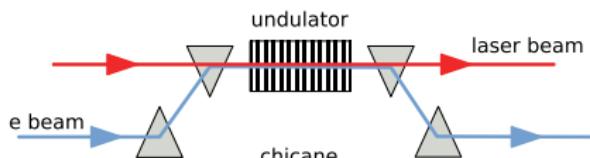
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 - Ionisation based radiation process!
 - Not sensitive to temporal structures!
 - Talk by B. Walasek-Höhne** on applications
 - Talk by O.I. Meshkov** on various materials
 - ★ Crystal vacuum boundary source for OTR



Courtesy C. Behrens

Laser heater

E.L. Saldin et al., Nucl. Instrum. Methods A **528**, 355 (2004)
 Z. Huang et al., Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams **7**, 074401 (2004)



Idea

- Overlapping laser pulse with bunches
 - Wavelength λ_{laser}
 - $\sigma_{t,\text{laser}} \geq \sigma_{t,\text{bunch}}$
- Energy modulation inside undulator
- Longitudinal smearing by half chicane
 - Finite R_{52}
 - Angular spread $\sigma_{x'}$

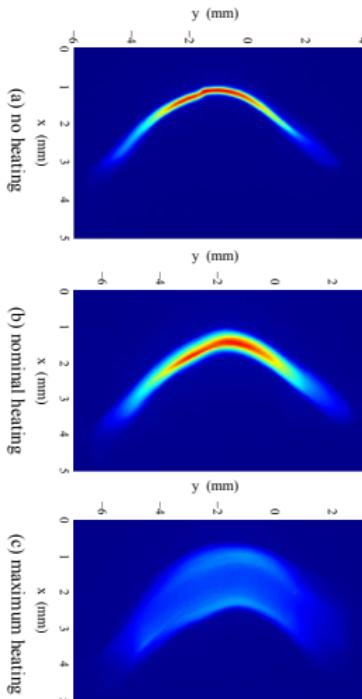
→ Effective increase of energy spread

Suppress microbunching instability downstream of linac!

Laser heater @ LCLS

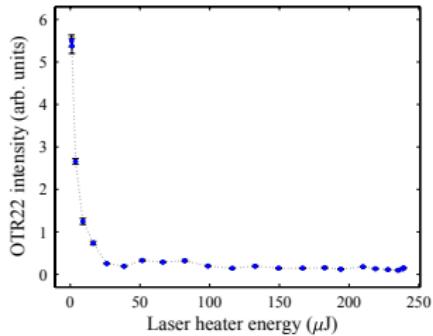
Z. Huang et al., Phys. Rev. ST AB **13**, 020703 (2010)

Experience



Parameters

- Position in front of DL1
- Increasing of δ_e from few keV to
 - 20 keV @ normal operation
 - > 100 keV @ max. heating



- ★ Laser Heater suppresses COTR!
- ★ Remaining enhancement factor of 5!

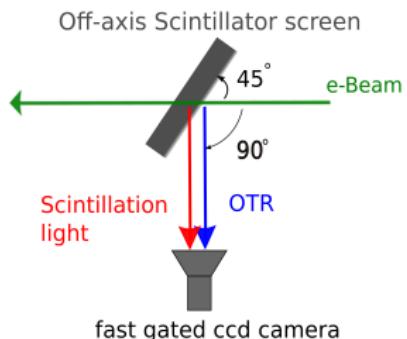
Gating of OTR

M. Yan et al., TUPD59, poster on Tuesday

Idea

- Standard OTR diagnostic setup with scintillator screen
- Fast OTR process $< 1\text{ ps}$ (depends on bunch length)
- Slow scintillation process with $\tau > 50\text{ ns}$

Delayed imaging with fast gated camera!

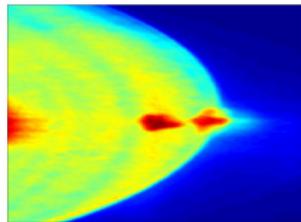


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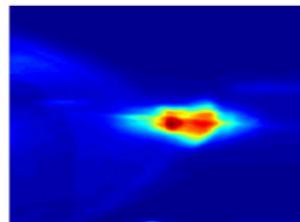
- Scintillator LuAG
 - $\tau = 70\text{ ns}$
 - $\lambda = 500 - 600\text{ nm}$
- PCO DicamPro
 - Intensified CCD camera
 - exposure time $\sim 100\text{ ns}$
- OTR screen in addition for reference

Gating of OTR @ FLASH

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(a) OTR screen



(b) LuAG screen

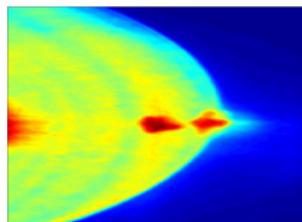
0 ns gate delay

OTR Mixture of (C)OTR + (C)SR

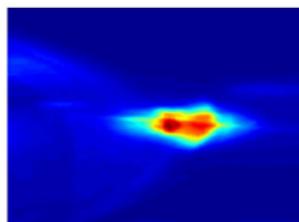
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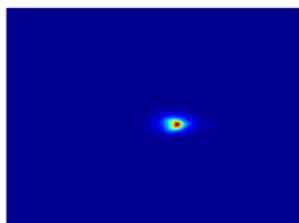
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(c) OTR screen, +100ns delay



(d) LuAG screen, +100ns delay

100 ns gate delay

OTR Masking of ALL radiation

LuAG Scintillator afterglow

- ★ Blocking COTR/CSR completely
- ★ Improving detection geometry

- ★ Camera very expensive
- ★ Photoluminescence ?

Summary

COTR: problem for 2-dim beam profiling

Different origins

- Short bunches (good)
- Microbunching instability (very bad)

Serious problem for RF photoinjector linacs

- Compressed and uncompressed bunches
- Visible tail of more general uB instability

Problem for thermionic cathode linacs?

Remedies

- Modifying beam phase space (not good enough)
- Profiling at shorter wavelength below coherent cut-off
- Use of scintillators + special geometries
- New ideas

Thanks for your attention!

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