



# On Quantum Effects in Spontaneous Emission by a Relativistic Electron Beam in an Undulator

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## Main Message from this talk:

**A drift-diffusion model can be used to describe quantum effects in spontaneous emission by a relativistic electron beam whenever**

$$\zeta = \frac{\hbar\omega}{\gamma mc^2} \ll 1$$

**Where  $\omega$  is the resonance frequency at which the undulator is tuned**



## Contents:

- Introduction to Fokker-Planck equation
- Applicability parameter / angle-integrated SR spectrum
- Diffusion coefficient / angle-integrated SR spectrum
- Relation with Thomson scattering
- Conclusions

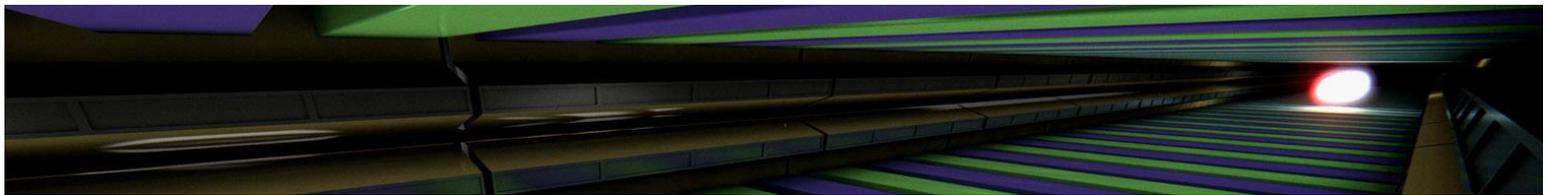
**Define**  $f(\mathcal{E}, t)$  the electron distribution function

**Define**  $\Psi(\mathcal{E}, \Delta\mathcal{E})\Delta\mathcal{E}$  the Probability to change energy from  $\mathcal{E}$  to  $\mathcal{E}-\Delta\mathcal{E}$  in the time interval  $\Delta t$

**Assume** that  $\Psi(\mathcal{E}, \Delta\mathcal{E})$  only depends on the current value of  $\mathcal{E}$ , not on the electron history (Markov process)

$$f(\mathcal{E}, t + \Delta t) = \int d(\Delta\mathcal{E}) \Psi(\mathcal{E} + \Delta\mathcal{E}, \Delta\mathcal{E}) f(\mathcal{E} + \Delta\mathcal{E}, t)$$

Fokker-Planck is obtained by Taylor expansion for “small values of  $\Delta\mathcal{E}$ ”. We will be interested in examining the **conditions** when such Taylor expansion is acceptable, i.e. to quantify the expression “small values of  $\Delta\mathcal{E}$ ”



## Fokker-Planck equation:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f(\mathcal{E}, t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathcal{E}} [C_1(\mathcal{E}) f(\mathcal{E}, t)] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathcal{E}^2} [C_2(\mathcal{E}) f(\mathcal{E}, t)]$$

$$C_1(\mathcal{E}) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int d(\Delta \mathcal{E}) \Psi(\mathcal{E}, \Delta \mathcal{E}) \Delta \mathcal{E}$$

$$C_2(\mathcal{E}) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int d(\Delta \mathcal{E}) \Psi(\mathcal{E}, \Delta \mathcal{E}) \Delta \mathcal{E}^2$$

Where  $C_2$  is the diffusion coefficient

How do we find  $\Psi$ ?  $\Psi$  is given by the physics of the process, in our case SR emission

Physically,  $\Psi(\mathcal{E}, \Delta\mathcal{E})$  has a very well defined meaning:

$$\frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \frac{dW}{d(\hbar\omega)} = \psi(\mathcal{E}, \Delta\mathcal{E})$$

Where  $\frac{dW}{d(\hbar\omega)}$  is the photon spectrum.

Furthermore we set

$$\Delta\mathcal{E} = \hbar\omega$$

due to energy conservation



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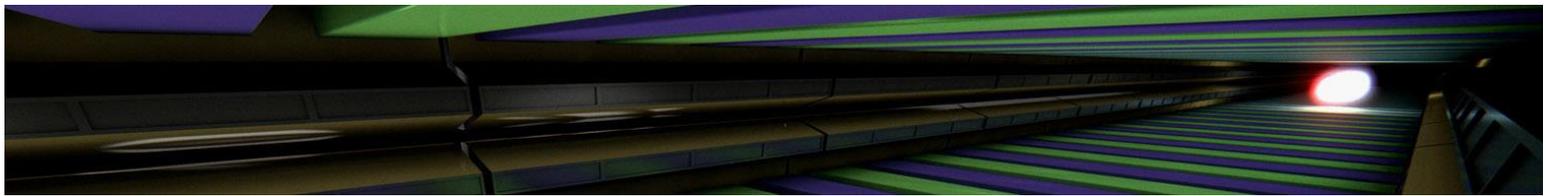
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G. Robb and R. Bonifacio, Europhysics Letters 94, 34002 (2011)



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**We disagree with this reasoning**



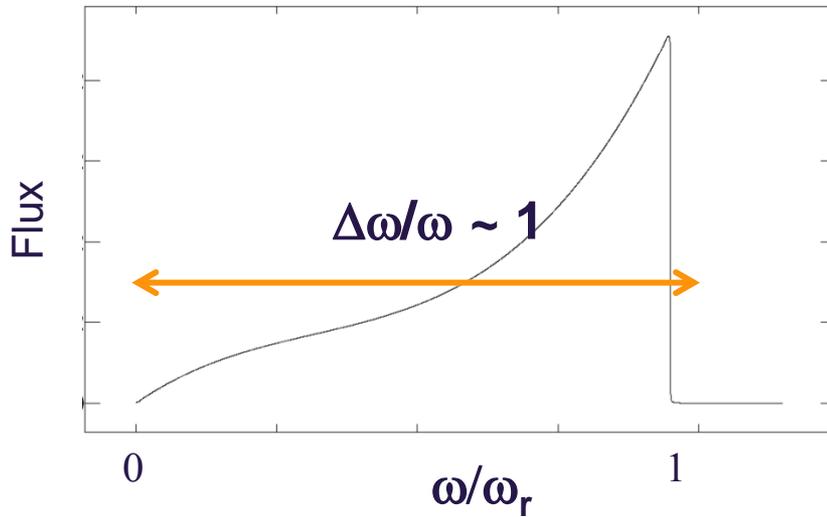
**There is a spectral angular dependence in the undulator flux.**

The electron feels the recoil from all photons at all angles the angle-integrated spectrum, and the angle-integrated spectrum does not depend on  $N_w$ !

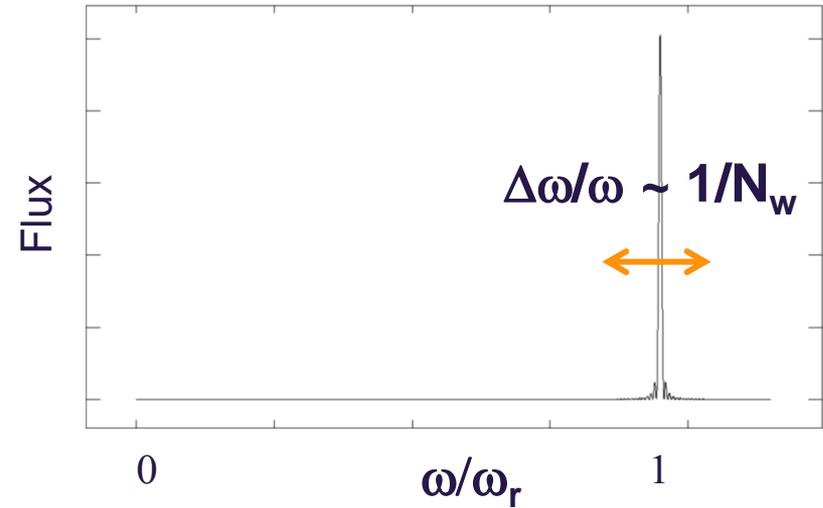
$\frac{dW}{d(\hbar\omega)}$  is the **angle-integrated** photon spectrum

It is true that, on axis, the undulator line  $\sim 1/N_w$

...but the angle-integrated spectrum does not depend on  $N_w$



Angle-integrated spectrum



Spectrum along one direction

The right parameter is therefore

$$\zeta = \frac{\hbar\omega}{\gamma mc^2} \ll 1$$

# The diffusion coefficient

This fact can be shown analytically in the limiting case for  $K \ll 1$  and  $Nw \gg 1$ .

Using  $\gamma^2 \gg 1$  (and therefore the paraxial approximation) we have:

$$\frac{dW}{d\omega d\Omega} = \frac{\omega^2 K^2 L_w^2 e^2}{16\pi^2 c^3 \gamma^2} \left\{ \left[ 1 - \frac{\theta_x^2 \omega}{k_w c} \right]^2 + \left[ \frac{\theta_x \theta_y \omega}{k_w c} \right]^2 \right\} \text{sinc}^2 \left[ \frac{L_w}{4} \left( C + \frac{\omega \theta^2}{2c} \right) \right]$$

Where  $\theta_x$  and  $\theta_y$  are the observation angles,

$$C = \omega / (2\bar{\gamma}_z^2 c) - k_w = (\Delta\omega / \omega_{r0}) k_w, \text{ where } \omega = \omega_{r0} + \Delta\omega$$

And the resonance frequency  $\omega_{r0} = 2k_w c \bar{\gamma}_z^2$



We integrate on the solid angle analytically.

By using  $N_w \gg 1$  we can substitute

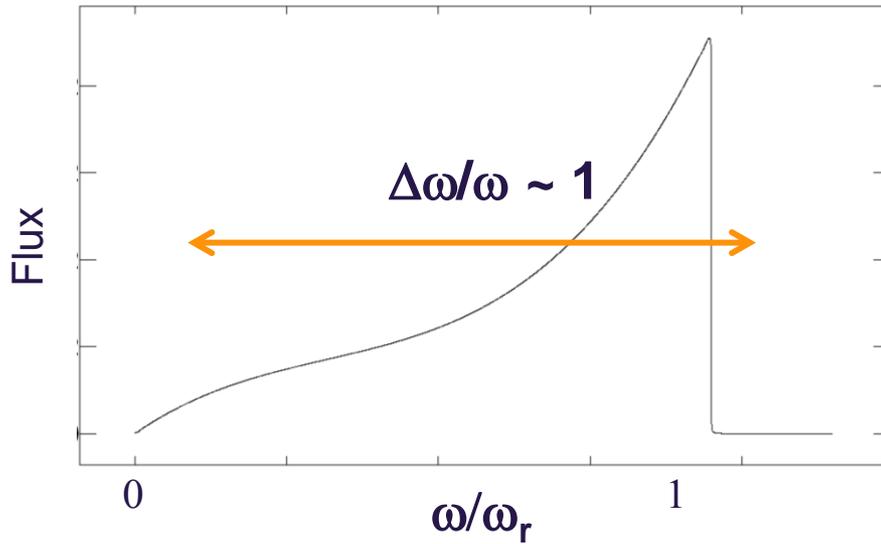
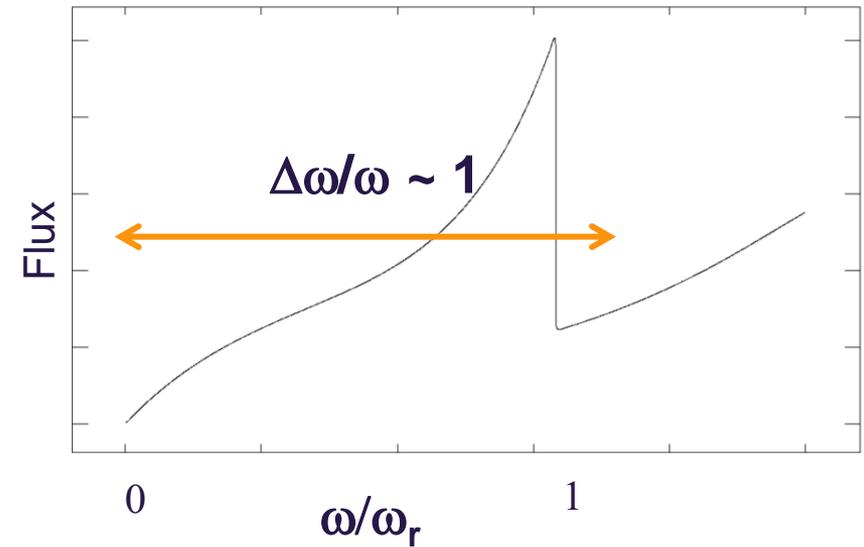
$$\text{sinc}^2[x/a]/(\pi a) \longrightarrow \delta(x) \text{ for } a \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\frac{dW}{d\omega} = \frac{e^2 \omega K^2 L_w}{4c^2 \gamma^2} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\omega}{ck_w \gamma^2} - 1 \right)^2 \right]$$

for  $\omega < 2c\gamma^2 k_w$ , and zero otherwise

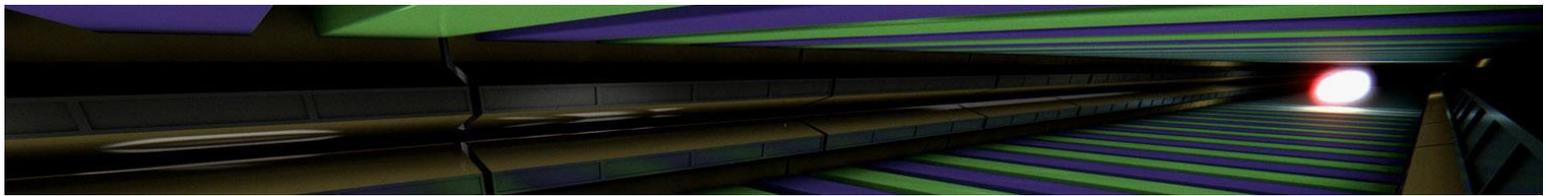
This expression is in agreement with many in literature (see e.g. Alferov et al., Sov. Phys. Tech. Phys. 18, 1974)

Conclusion: the linewidth does not depend on  $N_w$

 $K \ll 1$  $K \sim 1$ 

Here we considered the limiting case  $K \ll 1$ , but the same result is valid in general!

(E. Saldin, E. Schneidmiller, M. Yurkov, NIM A 381, 545 (1996))



$$\frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \frac{dW}{d(\hbar\omega)} = \psi(\mathcal{E}, \Delta\mathcal{E})$$

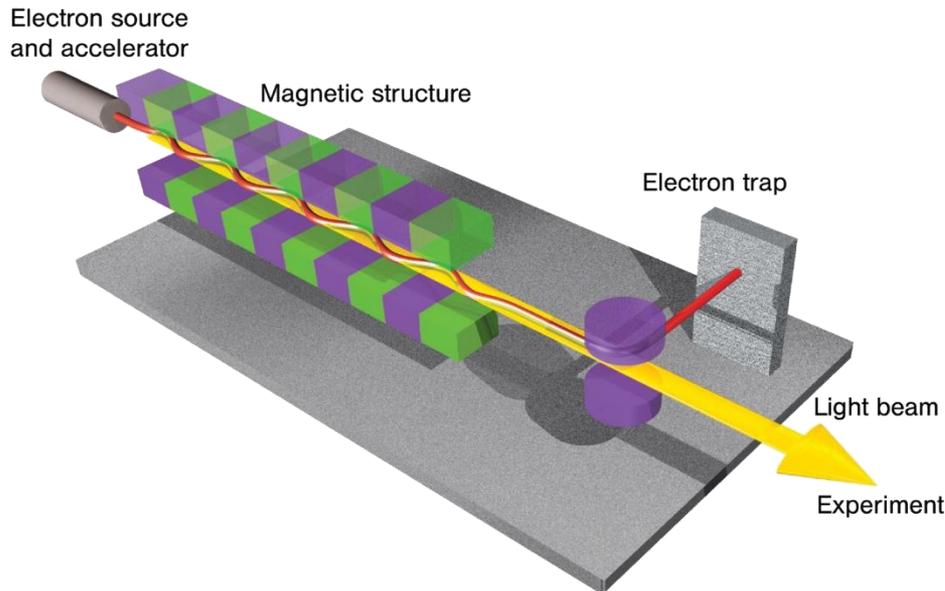
We can now find the quantum diffusion coefficient as

$$\frac{C_2}{m^2c^4} = \frac{d\langle(\Delta\gamma)^2\rangle}{dt} = \frac{c}{L_w} \frac{1}{m^2c^4} \int_0^\infty d\omega \hbar\omega \frac{dW}{d\omega} = \frac{7}{15} r_e c \lambda_c K^2 k_w^3 \gamma^4$$

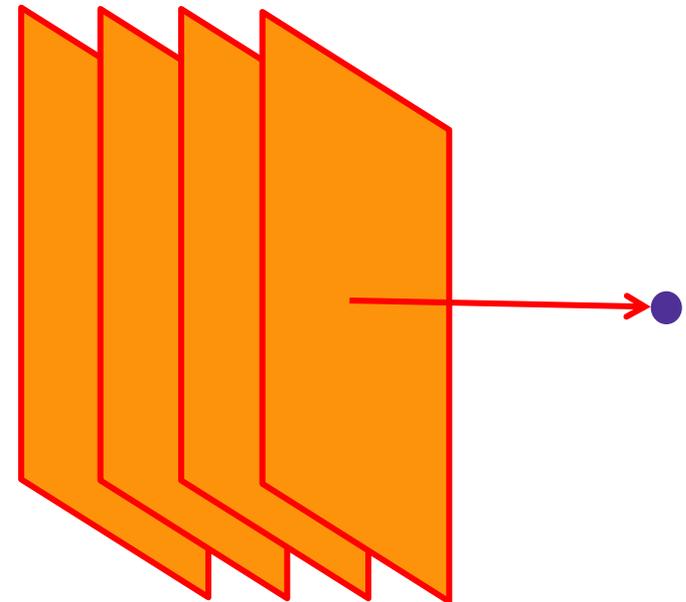
See Ya. S. Derbenev, A. M. Kondratenko and E. L. Saldin, NIMA 193, 415 (1982)

$$K^2 \ll 1 \text{ and } N_w \gg 1$$

**Equivalence between**



**Undulator radiation**



$$\omega_R = \gamma c k_w$$

**Thomson scattering**



**Thomson scattering for polarized radiation, rest frame:**

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_R} = r_e^2 \left[ \cos^2(\theta_R) \cos^2(\phi_R) + \sin^2(\phi_R) \right]$$

**With  $\mathbf{S}_R$  the magnitude of the average Poynting vector in the rest frame**

$$\begin{aligned} E_R &\simeq \gamma B_L \\ B_R &= \gamma B_L \\ B &= \frac{Kmc^2 k_w}{e} \end{aligned} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \bar{S}_R = \frac{c}{8\pi} \left( \frac{\gamma Kmc^2 k_w}{e} \right)^2$$

**The radiation pulse in the rest frame has duration  $L_w/(\gamma c)$**

$$\frac{dN_{phR}}{d\Omega_R} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_R} \frac{L_w}{\gamma c} \frac{1}{\hbar\omega_R} \bar{S}_R$$



Using

$$\omega_L(\theta_R) = \gamma\omega_R(1 + \cos \theta_R)$$

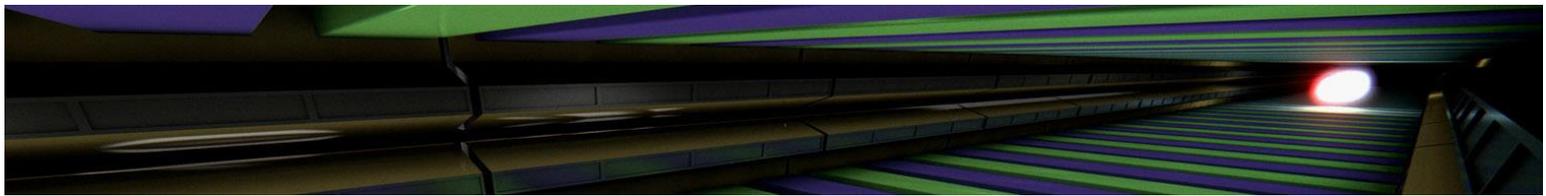
**The rate of change in the spread in the electron energy change can be found as**

$$\frac{d\langle(\Delta\gamma)^2\rangle}{dt} = \frac{c}{L_w} \int d\Omega_R \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_L(\theta_R)}{mc^2} \right)^2 \frac{dN_{phR}}{d\Omega_R} \Rightarrow \frac{d\langle(\Delta\gamma)^2\rangle}{dt} = \frac{7}{15} r_e c \lambda_c K^2 k_w^3 \gamma^4$$

**Which is just the diffusion coefficient**

**(see S. Benson and M.J. Madey, NIMA 237, 55 (1985) )**

- **Quantum effects in spontaneous radiation (SR) can be modeled via a drift-diffusion model in all practical cases of interest**
- **SR radiation must be calculated within a 3D framework: there is a spectral-angular dependence in SR, and electrons react to photons emitted at all angles**
- **The linewidth of the angle-integrated spectrum does not depend on the number of undulator periods, and our main conclusion holds**



**Thank you!**