

# Ultra-fast YBCO detectors for single-shot THz spectroscopy of Coherent Synchrotron Radiation

## Summary

Coherent Synchrotron Radiation (CSR) in the THz frequency range generated by short electron bunches is a promising instrument for many applications such as spectroscopy and non-destructive imaging techniques [1]. The variation of temporal and spectral THz pulse shapes that is due to the so-called bursting phenomenon however requires a bunch-by-bunch resolution of the THz signal [2]. Therefore the use of ultra-fast and broadband THz detectors is essential.

A state-of-the-art detection system based on superconducting YBa<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7-x</sub> (YBCO) thin-films offers picosecond response times [3]. Patterning to sub- $\mu\text{m}$  dimensions moreover ensures suitable detector sensitivity for the detection of single THz pulses [4]. In addition of picosecond response times and broadband readout the YBCO detection system offers zero-bias detection and electrical-field sensitivity [5].

By combining the well-established technology for broadband YBCO detectors with narrow-band THz filtering we aim at the single-shot spectroscopy of CSR. The approach that is currently under development consists of an on-chip 4-pixel detector array with integrated narrow-band antennas and simultaneous broadband readout of all four detectors [6]. First testing of a prototype of the single-shot THz spectrometer allowed for the simultaneous bunch-by-bunch observation of the bursting CSR signal at two different wavelengths.

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