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# Report from VI Working Group 2

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Beam dynamics and instrumentation

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Project FLASHForward







## Scope of VI Working Group 2

> Design, commissioning and operation of electron beamline at FLASHForward

- > Diagnostics of driver and witness beams
- > Beam dynamics simulations, optimisation of the driver beam

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# FLASH and FLASHForward



- > Requirements for the FLASHForward beam line:
  - achromatic beam translation
  - minimise coherent-synchrotron radiation (CSR) effects
  - tight focus at the plasma entrance
  - capturing and diagnosis of the witness beam after plasma
  - transport to the undulators (Phase II)

· "Pre-plasma"

"Post-plasma"

## FLASHForward beamline (pre-plasma)

> Achromatic beam translation system (4m) with variable longitudinal dispersion  $(R_{56})$ 



- > small  $\beta$ -functions in the dipoles (minimises CSR effects)
- >  $\beta$ -functions at the plasma entrance: ~25 mm

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**Top-view** 

#### FLASHForward beamline (pre-plasma)



Magnet supports were installed during the FLASH shutdown of December 2015

Further installation work (magnets, power supplies, some of the vacuum parts) is foreseen for the summer and winter shutdowns of 2016

Standard diagnostics in procurement phase (MDI group of DESY)

Expect to finish installation and start commissioning in July 2017

# FLASHForward beamline (post-plasma)

Side-view

Witness parameters:

> Beam profile with scintillators



## Beam quality preservation at FLASHForward

J. Tilborg et al., PRL **115**, 184802 (2015)

- > Witness beams in plasmas have small beta-function ( $\beta \sim 1$ mm) and large energy spread ( $\sigma_{p} \sim 1\%$ )
  - → Significant emittance growth
- Mitigation strategies at FLASHForward:
- > Capturing close to the source with strongest available quadrupoles
- > Tailored plasma-to-vacuum transitions (increasing  $\beta$ )
- > Beam loading (decreasing  $\sigma_{D}$ )
- > Plasma lens ultrahigh gradients  $\rightarrow$  see talk L. Schaper (WG3)





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To use TR as diagnostics of fs PWFA electron bunches, it must:

- > Have spectral sensitivity extending into the visible/UV.
- > Measure the spectrum across a broad frequency range.
- > Be capable of capturing this broad spectrum within a single shot.

### Currently available spectrometers

#### CRISP4: MIR-FIR spectrometer

- > Two possible configurations:  $5-44~\mu m$   $45-430~\mu m$
- > Multi-stage grating spectrometer.
- > Used as a standard tool at FLASH.



S. Wesch et al. NIM A 665, 40-47 (2011)

#### Double prism: NIR-MIR spectrometer

> Sensitive to:

$$2 - 18 \ \mu m$$

- > Dispersion in two ZnSe prisms.
- > High sensitivity HgCdTe detector.
- > Recently calibrated during beam time in the Netherlands.



S. Wunderlich et al. Proc. IBIC2014

#### Currently available spectrometers







# Phase-Constrained Iterative Algorithm (PCI)

F. Taheri et al. PRSTAB 19 (2016) 032801

- > Reconstruction of the longitudinal profile (phase retrieval) is a fundamental problem for "radiation-based" diagnostics (transition radiation, Smith-Purcell radiation)
- > A new technique (PCI) was proposed



## Betatron radiation



> Properties of the radiation needed to design the diagnostics: PIC simulations (HiPACE)

> Driver:  $\gamma_0 \sim 2000$ , Q $\sim 500$  pC, witness:  $\gamma_{fin} \sim 5000$ , Q $\sim 13.5$  pC



> Similar spectra  $\rightarrow$  difficult to distinguish driver/witness

- > Spectra peak at few keV  $\rightarrow$  can use a direct detection device
- > Experimental setup in progress (ordering an X-ray CCD camera etc.)

### Inverse Compton Scattering (ICS)

> Laser pulse scattered from e<sup>-</sup> beam produces γ-rays whose spectrum/ divergence are related to those of e<sup>-</sup> beam

 $\rightarrow$  might be used as a diagnostic tool

> In transverse geometry also sensitive to longitudinal structure of e<sup>-</sup> beam



Setup ready to be tested in the BOND lab (scintillator array as  $\gamma$ -detector)

#### See talk C. Palmer



→ reconstruct e<sup>-</sup> divergence by measuring γ-beam divergence

 $\omega = rac{4\gamma_e^2 \; \omega_L}{1+\gamma_e^2 \; heta^2 \; + a_0^2 \; /2}$ 

# Beam dynamics simulations



#### The global goal: start-to-end simulations Gun $\rightarrow$ FLASH $\rightarrow$ FLASHForward $\rightarrow$ PLASMA $\rightarrow$ Undulator

> Which beam parameters are realistic?

> typically high currents, ramped profile, small spot, ... are desired for PWFA

> What are the accelerator settings to achieve them?

# Coherent synchrotron radiation (CSR)

> CSR is a limiting factor for high-current electron beams
 > Centroid offsets are developed during compression in chicanes → hosing instability
 A. Martinez



> Work is ongoing to define a mitigation strategy

> Options: beam optics; tailored beam profiles; transverse-longitudinal mixing; emittance spoiling

> Beam time at FLASH later this year

#### Summary and Outlook

- > WG2 is a platform to discuss **beam dynamics** and **instrumentation** for FLASHForward
- > Pre-plasma beam line is in advanced state, started installations end of 2015, will continue in 2016
  → Commissioning expected to start in July 2017
- > Technical design of the post-plasma beamline in progress
- > Standard diagnostics ordered or delivered
  - → Beam position monitors, charge monitors, profiling screens
- > Special diagnostics design in progress
  - → Transition radiation, betatron radiation, inverse Compton scattering
- > Beamline simulations including FLASH linac show strong CSR effects
  - → concentrating now on mitigation CSR while maintaining high current

### Thanks for your attention!

#### Extra material

### Where we are (milestones)



Q3 2013	Establish VI WG 2
Q3 2013	Conceptual design of the post-plasma beamline for Phase I
Q2 2014	Conceptual design of the beam capturing section
Q4 2014	Concept for generic beam diagnostics
Q3 2015	Conceptual design for transition radiation diagnostics
Q3 2015	Concept for betatron-radiation diagnostics
Q4 2015	Technical design of the post-plasma beamline, including all diagnostics
Q4 2016	Procurement, installation and commissioning (Phase I)
Q4 2017	Conceptual design of the beamline for Phase II
Q4 2018	Tecnical design of the beamline for Phase II



#### Beam optics



- > Electromagnetic quadrupoles, g<sup>max</sup>=100 T/m
- > Pairing to achieve stronger focusing
- > Designed for energies of up to 2.5 GeV

> Beam size below several hundred micron
 > Minimum at 2<sup>nd</sup> dipole → precise energy measurement

#### Chromatic and higher-order effects



> Emittance growth due to strong quadrupoles and large energy spread

> Bunch elongation due to 2<sup>nd</sup>-order geometric effects

## Quality preservation

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> Controlled release essential, pursued in WG3

### What about the driver?



- > Eventually fills the available aperture
- > Shielding required
  - (predominantly vertical plane)

> A collimator helps to remove most of the residual driver ( $\sim$ 80%)

#### Energy measurement (witness)





#### Emittance measurement



#### Emittance measurement

- > Single quadrupole scan
- > Special optics setting: waist at the screen in both planes  $\rightarrow$  simultaneous measurement



> Excellent match between fitted and "true" emittance

> Note: emittance at the plasma exit is 0.5  $\mu$ m

#### Energy measurement (witness)



#### Transition radiation (TR) as a longitudinal bunch diagnostic





#### TR for ultra-short electron bunches from PWFA



> Size of accelerating structure in PWFA is ~ 10s-100s microns (scaling with plasma electron density).

> Witness bunch duration typically limited by wakefield size.

Intrinsically short (fs) electron bunches.

#### TR for ultra-short electron bunches from PWFA



#### HiPACE simulations – angular distributions



## Indirect detection of hard x-rays





- > Scintillator options:
  - CsI(Tl) (Hamamatsu), testing at REGAE
- Lanex
- FastLanex



Image is ready in 1-hour



# Smith-Purcell radiation monitor



Reconstructed bunch profile (FACET)



> Electron bunch passing by a grating emits electromagnetic radiation

> Spectrum depends on the bunch longitudinal profile→ diagnostics tool



## Development of a single-shot Smith-Purcell Monitor



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