

Considerations on a long wavelength FEL beamline with extended user capabilities at the European XFEL

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- This talk highlights topics related to the design of a long wavelength FEL beamline with extended user capabilities.
- Some options were developed during design stage of the European XFEL project, some of them appeared just recently and tested elsewhere (LCLS, FLASH).
- We aim not to present specific technical design, but to share with you our knowledge and initiate fruitful discussion which (we believe) will form the basis for technical design of an FEL beamline with extended user capabilities.



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Features of FEL user facility essential for user experiments:

- Tunability range.
- Control of the radiation pulse duration.
- Coherence control: temporal and spatial.
- Polarization control: linear, circular, elliptical.
- Generation of multiple colors simultaneously: harmonics and independent colors.
- Wide capabilities for pump-probe experiments involving FEL radiation (fundamental harmonic, higher harmonics, independent colors), laser and accelerator based radiation sources.
- Control of the photon flux up to ultimate level.

Currently performed user experiments do not use all these features simultaneously.

Available space and technology allows to realize all these features in SASE5 beamline.







Working points and tunability ranges of the European XFEL

Photon energy range [keV]

Photon wavelength range [nm]

| Energy [GeV] | SASE1/2 | SASE3 | SASE1/2 | SASE3 |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| 8.5 | 1.99 - 7.27 | 0.24 - 1.08 | 0.171 - 0.622 | 1.15 - 5.10 |
| 11.5 | 3.65 - 13.30 | 0.45 - 1.98 | 0.093 - 0.340 | 0.63 - 2.79 |
| 14.0 | 5.41 - 19.71 | 0.66 - 2.94 | 0.063 - 0.229 | 0.42 - 1.88 |
| 16.5 | 7.51 - 27.38 | 0.92 - 4.08 | 0.045 - 0.165 | 0.30 - 1.35 |
| 17.5 | 8.43 - 30.97 | 1.03 - 4.59 | 0.040 - 0.147 | 0.27 - 1.20 |

Up- to date overview of the parameter space is available:

E.A. Schneidmiller and M.V. Yurkov, Photon beam properties of the European XFEL. Saturation Tables (December 2018 revision)

Currently draft of this document is distributed on request, but we plan to issue an official version soon which will replace report DESY 11-152.





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Question to user community: Is there strong motivation to extend operating range of the European XFEL in the direction of longer wavelengths?

 \checkmark If so, technical solution is rather straightforward – use standard undulator technology with longer period: maximum wavelength and minimum electron energy define the value of undulator period.

Maximum wavelength [nm]









Saturation parameters of SASE5 @ E = 17.5 GeV

| Radiation wavelength | nm | 0.5 | 1 | 2 | 6 | | | |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|--|
| Pulse energy | mJ | 8.15 | 11.4 | 14.0 | 17.4 | | | |
| Peak power | GW | 76.0 | 106. | 131. | 162. | | | |
| FWHM angular divergence | microrad | 4.40 | 7.71 | 13.2 | 29.2 | | | |
| Coherence time | fs | .421 | .666 | 1.11 | 2.70 | | | |
| FWHM spectrum width, dw/w | % | .280 | .354 | .423 | .524 | | | |
| Number of longitudinal modes | # | 255. | 162. | 97.2 | 40.7 | | | |
| Number oh photons per pulse | # | .205E+14 | .574E+14 | .141E+15 | .526E+15 | | | |
| Saturation length | m | 110. | 87.7 | 74.0 | 60.4 | | | |
| Saturation parameters of SASE5 @ E = 8.5 GeV | | | | | | | | |
| Radiation wavelength | nm | 5 | 10 | 20 | 30 | | | |
| Pulse energy | mJ | 9.45 | 11.0 | 12.4 | 13.2 | | | |
| Peak power | GW | 88.1 | 102. | 116. | 123. | | | |
| FWHM angular divergence | microrad | 24.0 | 40.3 | 65.2 | 84.3 | | | |
| Coherence time | fs | 2.05 | 3.54 | 6.27 | 8.85 | | | |
| FWHM spectrum width, dw/w | % | .575 | .666 | .752 | .799 | | | |
| Number of longitudinal modes | # | 53.4 | 31.3 | 18.1 | 13.1 | | | |
| Number oh photons per pulse | # | .238E+15 | .551E+15 | .125E+16 | .200E+16 | | | |
| Saturation length | m | 54.9 | 47.8 | 42.6 | 40.3 | | | |





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 It is not a critical topic: Radiation pulse duration is controlled with standard techniques of the electron beam formation system providing pulse durations down to coherence time (single spike mode of operation).

Bunch charge nC 0.020.1 0.250.51 Peak beam current kА 4.55 5 5 5 Normalized rms emittance 0.32 0.39 0.6 0.70.97mm-mrad 2 MeV 4.1 2.92.52.2rms energy spread fs 76.6 rms pulse duration 1.2 6.4 16.630.6

Electron beam at the undulator entrance







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- For diffraction limited beams (2πε/λ ~1, or, B <~
 1) we expect high degree of transverse coherence in the saturation regime . However, it degrades significantly in the post saturation regime.
- Temporal coherence can be improved with harmonic lasing self-seeded FEL (HLSS), talk by Evgeny.
- Improvement of temporal coherence with selfseeding and external seeding at long wavelengths is under discussion, talks by Gianluca and Takanori.





demonstration of spectrum width reduction, increase of spectral brightness, and increase of coherence time.



Statistical determination of an increase of the coherence time



 $M_l \propto 1/L^{coh}$ $M_l = 1/\sigma^2$

$$\frac{L_{HLSS}^{coh}}{L_{SASE}^{coh}} = \frac{\sigma_{HLSS}^2}{\sigma_{SASE}^2} \simeq 1.8$$

Measured increase of the coherence length is in agreement with theory:

$$R \simeq h \; rac{\sqrt{L_{
m w}^{(1)} L_{{
m sat},h}}}{L_{{
m sat},1}} \;$$
 = 0.57 h = 1.7

Talk by Evgeny







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✓ Use of APPLE undulator allows to produce any polarization.





Generation of multiple colors



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- Odd harmonics in planar undulator (nonlinear harmonic generation and harmonic lasing).
- ✓ Afterburner for harmonics of the fundamental in combination with reverse tapering of the main undulator.
- ✓ Frequency doubler.
- Independent colors using betatron switcher principle (TDS or dechirper) talk by Evgeny:



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Multiple colors: odd harmonics, NHG mechanism









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Multiple colors: Anomalous harmonic lasing for thin electron beam



energy 10.5 GeV, bunch charge 100 pC

- Odd harmonics exhibit anomalous high gain for the case of thin electron beam.
- This feature can be used in pump-probe experiments, or for multi-user operation.
- Necessity for selective suppression of harmonics with phase shifters requires relatively short undulator sections, present EXFEL standard of 5 meters is too long.
- Q: Do we need special undulator design with embedded phase shifters like E.S. & M.Y., Nucl. Inst. and Meth. A 717 (2013)37-43 ?
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- Undulator is divided in two parts. The second part is tuned to the double frequency of the first part.
- Amplification process in the first undulator part is stopped at the onset of the nonlinear regime, such that nonlinear higher harmonic bunching in the electron beam density becomes pronouncing, but the radiation level is still small to disturb the electron beam significantly.
- Modulated electron beam enters the second part of the undulator and generates radiation at the 2nd harmonic.
- Frequency doubler allows operation in a two-color mode and operation at shorter wavelengths with respect to standard SASE scheme.



European Multiple colors: frequency doubler 0 200 14.09.2016 22:59 Schneidmiller/Yurkov/ Summary on frequency doubler operation at FLASH2

FLASH2: Electron energy 1073.8 MeV, bunch charge 350 pC, 160 uJ SASE @ 9 nm, 120 uJ SASE @ 8 nm. Doubler configuration: $5u \times \omega + 7u \times 2\omega$

Successful demonstration of frequency doubler and two-color operation in the water window:
10 uJ at 9 nm and 10 uJ at 4.5 nm (4 uJ SASE at 4.5 nm and 12 modules)
3 uJ at 8 nm and 4 uJ at 4 nm (~ 0.1 uJ SASE at 4 nm and 12 modules)

Extrapolation of obtained results to the energy of 1.25 GeV: it would be possible to operate FLASH2 at the wavelength down to 3 nm. Radiation pulse energy will depend on quality of electron bunch. With good tuning 10 uJ level seems to be possible.





EuropeanMultiple colors:**XFFI**Reverse tapering scheme + afterburner for harmonics

Experiment at FLASH2 on Oct. 10, 2016: Main undulator: 9 modules, 26.5 nm, -5% taper. Afterburner: 2 modules, 26.5 nm, 13.2 nm, 8.5 nm

Yesterday talk by Evgeny



- High contrast of the afterburner radiation with reverse undulator tapering scheme at the fundamental harmonic frequency and harmonics (150 for fundamental).
- Effective operation of an afterburner at the 2nd and the 3rd harmonic with intensities which are much higher (orders of magnitude) than harmonic content of SASE radiation.







To generate independent colors with single bunch, undulator sections are tuned to desired frequencies one after another in an alternate manner. For instance, for generation of two independent colors ω_1 and ω_2 , odd sections are tuned to ω_1 , and even sections to ω_2 . In the linear regime amplification process at different frequencies develops independently up to almost complete bunching, and radiation powers at subsaturation level are produced in the nonlinear regime.

Realization of the lasing scheme with independent colors requires roughly one saturation length for every color, and can be realized in a long undulator only.

Present EXFEL standard of 5 meters for undulator sections is too long for flexible generation of independent colors.





Multiple colors: independent colors at FLASH



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Summary on generation of two independent colors in FLASH2

Electron energy 675 MeV, bunch charge 0.25 nC.

Configuration of the undulator:

Modules 1-3-5-7-9-11 are tuned to 18 nm. Modules 2-4-6-8-19-12 are tuned to 28 nm.

Two colors can be distinguished visually in the photon beam image: brighter spot from 18 nm fraction on a wider spot from 28 nm fraction.

Spectral measurements with OPIS shows two spectral lines corresponding to 18 nm and 28 nm.

Estimate for the radiation pulse energy is of the order of 10 by 10 uJ, need to be confirmed later with more detailed analysis of data.









Pump-probe capabilities



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•Control of the photon flux up to ultimate level.

- ✓ Optical pump probe lasers are in use at all facilities.
- THz undulator and dedicated infrared beamline are installed at FLASH. THz undulator (high field SC) in the main tunnel of EXFEL is under discussion. Unwanted features: kW level of SR power, high critical energy of photons, up to 2 MeV.
- ✓ Accelerator based radiation sources are under discussion (talk by Mikhail).





Ultimate level of photon flux



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- ✓ Operation with high charges (talk by Mikhail).
- ✓ Application of optimum undulator tapering.







- Both, FEL radiation power and radiation pulse energy constitute only a small fraction (between per mille and per cent level) of the electron beam power and kinetic energy of electrons.
- Kinetic energy of electron beam and its peak power are limited by maximum attainable electron energy *E*, bunch charge *Q*, and peak current *I*.
- European XFEL is driven by the most powerful electron beams with E = 17.5 GeV, Q = 1 nC, I = 5 kA and providing:
- Kinetic energy of electron bunch: *E* x *Q* = 17.5 J;
- Peak power of electron beam: $E \times I = 87.5 \text{ TW}$.
- Thus, we deal with evident limitations on attainable radiation pulse energy and power.
- Experience from low energy facilities (like FLASH with *E* = 1.25 GeV) shows that there are many "photon hungry" experiments which will benefit from higher photon flux (radiation pulse energies). It is evident that similar problem will face EXFEL users as well.
- Keeping in mind this problem, during design stage of the project we did foreseen several options which would allow to extend users capabilities in terms of increasing photon flux (E.A. Schneidmiller and M.V. Yurkov, DESY 11-152).





FEL physics: Amplification process in SASE FEL

• Operation of the FEL amplifier is described by the diffraction parameter B, the energy spread parameter $\hat{\Lambda}_{T}^{2}$, and the betatron motion parameter \hat{k}_{β} :

$$B=2\Gamma\sigma^2\omega/c~,~~\hat{k}_eta=1/(eta\Gamma)~,~~\hat{\Lambda}_{
m T}^2=(\sigma_{
m E}/{\cal E})^2/
ho^2~,$$

with the gain parameter Γ and 3D FEL parameter $\bar{\rho}$:

$$\Gamma ~= \left[rac{I}{I_{
m A}} rac{8\pi^2 K^2 A_{
m JJ}^2}{\lambda\lambda_{
m w}\gamma^3}
ight]^{1/2} ~, ~~ ar{
ho} = rac{\lambda_{
m w}\Gamma}{4\pi} ~.$$

• When effects of betatron oscillations and energy spread are small, efficiency of FEL amplifier in saturation is universal function of the only diffraction parameter B:

$$\begin{split} \eta &\simeq \bar{\rho} & \text{for} \quad B < 1 \;, \\ \eta &\simeq \bar{\rho}/B^{1/3} \quad \text{for} \quad B > 1 \;. \end{split}$$

- Maximum radiation energy is reached for diffraction limited beam, B < 1: $E_{\rm rad} \simeq \bar{\rho} \times N_e \times \gamma \times m_e c^2 \propto N_e \times \gamma^{1/2} \times I^{1/2}$.
- Roadmap to increase radiation pulse energy is straightforward:
 - Operate with diffraction limited beams, B < 1.
 - Increase FEL efficiency parameter $\bar{\rho}$: higher peak current.
 - Increase kinetic energy of electron beam: number of electrons (bunch charge) and electron beam energy.
 - Apply undulator tapering.







SASE3: Radiation pulse energy @ saturation, mJ



$$E_{\rm rad} \simeq \bar{\rho} \times N_e \times \gamma \times m_e c^2 \propto N_e \times \gamma^{1/2} \times I^{1/2}$$

Unique features of the European XFEL:

- (i) Electron gun is capable to generate low emittance bunches with charge up to 5 nC (talk by Mikhail);
- (ii) Electron beams with high charge can be successfully accelerated in superconducting accelerator with large aperture. E.A. Schneidmiller and M.V. Yurkov, DESY 11-152







Measured normalized projected emittance as a function of the bunch charge. Square root and two linear fits (with and without offset at zero charge) are plotted as well.

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• The next step is application of post saturation undulator tapering to preserve resonance interaction of electrons and radiation and increase FEL efficiency [originally proposed by N.M. Kroll, P.L. Morton, and M.N. Rosenbluth, IEEE J. Quantum Electronics, QE-17, 1436 (1981)]:

$$\lambda \simeq \lambda_{\mathsf{W}}(z) rac{1+K^2(z)}{2\gamma^2(z)}.$$



SASE FEL, optimum tapering: how it works





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 Right: bunching, average power, particle energy spectrum







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$$\hat{C} = \alpha_{tap}(\hat{z} - \hat{z}_0) \left[\arctan\left(\frac{1}{2N}\right) + N \ln\left(\frac{4N^2}{4N^2 + 1}\right) \right] , \qquad N = \frac{\beta_{tap}}{(\hat{z} - \hat{z}_0)}$$

• The particles in the core of the beam (red, green, blue color) are trapped most effectively. Nearly all particles located at the edge of the electron beam (braun, yellow color) leave the stability region very soon. The trapping process lasts for a several field gain lengths when the trapped particles become to be isolated in the trapped energy band for which the undulator tapering is optimized further. Non-trapped particles continue to populate low energy tail of the energy distribution.

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High charge mode of SASE3 operation





Energy in the radiation pulse for SASE3 with tapered undulator. Circle shows saturation point.

Temporal structure of the radiation pulse from SASE3 with tapered undulator at the undulator length 100 m.

Electron energy is 17.5 GeV, radiation wavelength is 1.6 nm, bunch charge is 2 nC, normalized rms emittance is 1.4 mm-mrad, peak beam current is 5 kA.

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Energy in the radiation pulse versus bunch charge for SASE3 at the European XFEL. Left plot: FEL operates in the saturation regime.

Right plot: operation with tapered parameters for the undulator length of 100 meters. Electron energy is 17.5 GeV, radiation wavelength is 1.6 nm. Solid and dashed lines correspond to the emittance scaling as $Q^{1/2}$, and Q, respectively.

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Summary



Infrustructure of SASE5 tunnel allows to design low photon energy FEL beamline with extended user capabilities:

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We believe that the results presented here will stimulate experts from the user community for formulation of advanced user requirements which, in turn, will seed further design process.

Thank you very much for attention!





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Backup slides





FEL physics: Amplification process in SASE FEL



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Radiation power Brilliance Degree of transverse coherence Coherence time

- Amplification process in SASE FEL starts from the shot noise in the electron beam, passes stage of the exponential gain, reaches saturation, and then evolves in the post-saturation regime.
- Radiation power continues to grow along the undulator length.
- Degree of transverse coherence and coherence time reach their maximum values in the end of exponential regime.
- Brilliance reaches maximum value at the saturation point.
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