# POLARIX TDS PROJECT



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### Why do we want this device? Scientific motivation for this technological advance

#### Goal:

- > Diagnose both transverse and longitudinal slice properties for machine optimisation in e.g. FELs
- > Femtosecond-level temporal resolution are required for optimisation of ultra-short bunches
- > The ~kT/m focussing gradients inherent to novel high-gradient accelerator concepts require high-quality, axially-symmetric beams







## **Transverse Deflection Structure (TDS) High-frequency (X-band) regime**

#### Variable polarisation streaking

Accelerators on a chip



#### Plasma-based accelerators





## **New generation of variable streaking temporal diagnostic** PolariX TDS = Polarisable X-band Transverse Deflection Structure



#### Variable-polarisation circular TE11-mode phase launcher



Phase difference between 1st and 2nd port:

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## Interest in this technology from many facilities The varied experimental utilisation results in a wide parameter range

> Experiments participating in the project:

- > FLASHFORWARD>> (DESY) : fs-longitudinal diagnostics of driver/witness beams used in plasma-wakefield acceleration > FLASH2 (DESY) : online longitudinal measurement with fs resolution of electron bunches for optimising FEL process > SINBAD (DESY): sub-fs longitudinal characterisation of ultra-short electron bunches
- > **ATHOS** (beamline at SwissFEL, PSI): optimisation of the FEL process

> EUXFEL also a part of the collaboration but without financial commitment to structure purchase

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Another use of the E-rotator is proposed in the following section. As demonstrated in Fig 5, if power is injected from port 1, a circular polarized mode is launched in port 3. If it is injected from port 2, a circular polarized mode rotating in opposite direction is launched in port 3. Injecting the same

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DESY and PSI. We comment on the feasibility of the pro- SINBAD duction of a prototype of such a device based on tolerances evaluations. Finally we introduce novel applications of the variable polarization TDS for e-beam diagnostics.

#### E-BEAM PARAMETERS

Several experiments at DESY (FLASH2, FLASHForward, SINBAD) and PSI (ATHOS at SwissFEL) are interested in the utilization of high gradient X-band TDS systems for high resolution longitudinal diagnostics. In this section we will briefly introduce the different experiments and highlight their needs.

#### FLASHForward

The FLASHForward project [7] is an innovative plasmawakefield acceleration experiment, aiming to accelerate electron beams to GeV energies over a few centimeters of ionized gas. These accelerated beams must be of sufficient quality to demonstrate free-electron laser gain; achievable only Paul Scherrer Institut (PSI), will produce FEL radiation for through rigorous analysis of both the drive- and acceleratedbeam's longitudinal phase space. The pulse duration of these accelerated beams is typically in the few femtosecond range, and thus difficult to resolve with traditional diagnostic methods. In order to longitudinally resolve these extremely short bunch lengths it is necessary to utilize the properties of such brightness and bandwidth several innovative lasing schemes an X-band transverse RF deflector with high frequency and power, mapping longitudinal onto transverse coordinates.

#### FLASH2

At FLASH1 [8], the direct measurement of the longitudinal phase space with a deflecting RF structure has been proven to be of uttermost importance to establish femtosecond scale photon pulses [9, 10]. The installation of such a transverse deflecting cavity is planned also at FLASH2 [11]. Its combination with an existing dipole as a spectrometer will allow exploitation of the full longitudinal phase space and to optimize longitudinal bunch parameters for SASE and seeding processes. In contrast to FLASH1, the TDS at FLASH2 will be placed downstream of the undulators (see Fig.2). In such a configuration, the lasing part of the electron bunch can directly be measured and thus provides resonance frequency. an estimate of the photon pulse duration as well. The experiment aims for a temporal resolution of less than 10 fs.



Figure 2: Exit of the SASE undulator section at FLASH2 Two TDS cavities are foreseen to be installed in the free space downstream the undulator.

The SINBAD (Short INnovative Bunches and Accelerators at DESY) facility [12] will be dedicated to accelerator research and development, building upon DESY's recent investment in this area in the framework of the Helmholtz ARD programme. It will be used for experiments in Plasma Wakefield Acceleration, dielectric accelerating structures and other novel accelerators. A 100-MeV electron linac, ARES, which will be constructed in phases from 2017 to 2019, will be able to provide very short (sub-fs) electron bunches with low charge (sub-pC), as required for plasma and dielectric experiments. The planned X-band TDS with variable polarization will make the characterization of ARES bunches at the end of the linac possible, which is essential for these experiments.

#### ATHOS at SwissFEL

The SwissFEL project [13], under commissioning at the soft X-rays, at the Athos beamline and hard X-rays, at the Aramis beamline, with pulse durations ranging from a few to several tens of femtoseconds. The goal of Athos is to provide a source of extremely brightness and short X-ray pulses. In order to increase performances in terms of photon beam and technical developments for some key components are underway. As a diagnostic tool, two TDSs will be installed downstream of the undulators of the Athos beamline, which will allow to indirect measurement of the X-Ray pulse length by analyzing the induced energy spread on the electron bunch due to the FEL process. Furthermore, thanks to the variable polarization of the TDS it will be possible to perform a complete characterization of the 6D phase space by means of measurements of bunch length, energy and transverse slice emittances (vertical and horizontal).

Table 1 summarizes the e-bunch characteristics, the spatial constraints and the specifications for the TDS design for all the experiments listed above. It can be noticed that a common mechanical design for the structure is possible by tuning the temperature of the cavity in order to adjust its

#### Table 1: TDS Specifications

	SINBAD	FLASH2	FLASHForward	ATHOS SwissFEL
Charge [pC]	0.5-30	20-1000	20-500 (driver) 10-250 (witness)	10-200
Norm. RMS Emitt. [µm]	0.1-1	0.4-3	2.0-5.0 (driver) 0.1-1.0 (witness)	0.1-0.3
RMS Bunch Length [fs]	0.2-10	<3-200	50-500 (driver) 1-10 (witness)	2-30
β Function at TDS [M]	10-50	7-20	50-200	50
Beam Energy [MeV]	80-200	400-1400	500-2500	2900-3400
Rep. Rate [HI.]	10-50	10	10	100
TDS Voltage [MV]	25-40	30-45	25-30	30-60
N.TDS	2	2	1	2
Max.Length [M]	3	<1.92	<2	4
TDS Iris [mm]	4	4	4	4
TDS Frequency [MHz]	11991.6	11988.8	11988.8	11995.2
Temperature Range[°C]	48	62	62	25-35

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## Installation of the prototype at FLASHFORWARD **Design of the shared scheme between FLASHFORWARD>> and FLASH2**

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### Installation of the prototype at FLASHFORWARD Modulator and amplifier supply pulses to the Klystron

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Ampegon Type M-Class Modulator

Located outside the tunnel to protect the electronics from radiation Connected to the klystron via a ~12 m long high power cable

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#### Installation of the prototype at FLASHFORWARD Shared Klystron supplies power to one cavity at a time through a mechanical RF switch

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## Installation of the prototype at FLASHFORWARD **Prototype cavity installed in the FLASHFORWARD>> beamline**

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## First results with the FLASH electron beam

#### Longitudinal phase space reconstruction

- ➤ Longitudinal phase space reconstruction → the benchmark TDS measurement
- Increasing resolution begins to show interesting details in the beam e.g. micro bunching

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## First results with the FLASH electron beam Slice emittance measurements in both the x- and y-plane

- > The phase rotator is moved to select both first the x- then the y-plane
- > Centroid offsets are characterised in both planes
  - > Enables online correction essential for e.g. plasma-based acceleration with large focussing fields
- > Facilitates the diagnosis of slice properties in both transverse planes

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## First results with the FLASH electron beam

Variable streaking of the beam with different phase shifter settings

- > The phase shifter is rotated from its zero position in motor steps
- > Each image corresponds to a different position of the phase shifter
- > Covers the entire 360 deg phase range of the x-y plane

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### First results with the FLASH electron beam **Reconstruction of 3D charge-density distribution**

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- > Images are collected at various streaking angles
- > Slice properties are extracted from each polarisation
- > 2D transverse profiles of each temporal slice are derived

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- > Images are collected at various streaking angles
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- > 3D charge-density beam distribution is tomographically reconstructed

Correlations between all planes in (x, y, z) space are quickly and easily visualised

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## Next hardware steps FLASH2, SINBAD, and ATHOS will soon benefit from this unique device

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Many more exciting results on the way...!

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## **POLARIX** — Polarisable X-band Transverse Deflection Structure **Summary and outlook**

- POLARIX prototype has been developed, implemented, and successfully commissioned by an international collaboration
- for optimisation and characterisation of the plasma-acceleration process at FLASHFORWARD >>
- results to follow soon...!

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First commissioning results are very promising → the prototype will next be used in the coming months

More cavities are on the way to various experimental facilities at DESY and PSI → many more exciting

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