#### FLASH. Free-Electron Laser in Hamburg

### **Full Beamloading at FLASH**





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#### **FLASH with PETRA and the European XFEL**



**FLASH** 

#### **FLASH at DESY in Hamburg**



- > Single-pass high-gain SASE FEL
  - SASE = self-amplified spontaneous emission
- > Photon wavelength range from vacuum ultraviolet to soft x-rays 50 nm to 5 nm
- Femtosecond short coherent laser like radiation
- > Free-electron laser user facility since summer 2005
  - 1<sup>st</sup> period: Jun 2005 Mar 2007
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> period: Nov 2007 Aug 2009
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> period: starting summer 2010
- FLASH is also a test bench for the European XFEL and the International Linear Collider (ILC)





#### **FLASH** layout











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#### Accelerating gradient









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# Long Bunch Trains



#### FLASH design goals reached in 2007



Lasing with a complete bunch train of 800 bunches at 13.4 nm



#### Long Bunch Train Run at 7 nm in 2008



- > Wavelength: 7.05 ± 0.1 nm
- > Average SASE level ~30 µJ (14 mW average power)





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- Long bunch trains with thousands of bunches per second are fundamental to the advantage of the TESLA superconducting RF accelerating technology
- > FLASH or XFEL  $\rightarrow$  more bunches, higher average brilliance
  - Significant opportunities for experiments with X-rays
  - Also a challenge for the experimental equipment
  - Single-bunch parameters are critical (equal lasing of all bunches required!)
  - Bunch charges may be low (< 9 mA), but with high peak current</p>
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## Long bunch-train operation is a defining capability of the DESY FEL light sources

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	Macro- pulse repetition rate	Macro- pulse length	Max bunches per macro-pulse	Beam current during macro- pulse	Max bunches per second
LCLS	30 Hz - 120 Hz	n/a	1	n/a	30 - 120
FLASH (9 mA) <i>(Bypass mode)</i>	5 Hz	800 µs	800 @ 1 MHz 2400 @ 3 MHz	1 mA 9 mA	4000 12000
FLASH (2010)	10 Hz	800 µs	800 @ 1 MHz	1 mA	8000
European XFEL	10 Hz	650 µs	2900 @ 4.5 MHz	4.5 mA	29000
ILC (RDR)	5 Hz	970 µs	1000 - 5400	9 mA	5000 - 27000

> SC-based linacs operate in burst mode with thousands of bunches/sec





## Full Beam Loading





### Full Beam Loading **TESLA** parameters: 8 mA for loaded $Q = 3 \ 10^6$ fill time 500 µs acc field 25 MV/m ILC: 9 mA





- > ILC initiated: part of the Global Design Effort R&D
  - Operation of an RF-unit ( 3 TESLA type modules) with ILC-like beams
- > A DESY program with international participation
- Important for XFEL and FLASH
  - XFEL
    - Close collaboration with world-wide LLRF groups
    - Essential "Operation at limits" experience
    - Focus development and planning for XFEL
  - FLASH
    - Addresses important operational issues
    - Towards routine high-power long-pulse operation for users





1997	TTF (Injector I)	217 MHz	173600 bunches	37 pC	8 mA (130 MeV)		
2002	TTF (Injector II)	1 MHz	750 bunches	2.8 nC	2.8 mA		
2006	FLASH	1 MHz	800 bunches	0.8 nC	400 lasing		
2007	FLASH	1 MHz	800 bunches	0.6 nC	800 lasing		
2008	FLASH	1 MHz	550 bunches	2.7 nC	9 mA exp.		
Shutdown to replace beam dump vacuum line							
2009	FLASH	1 MHz 3 MHz	800 bunches 2400 bunches	3 nC 2 nC	9 mA exp (1 GeV)		

- > Proof of principle has long been established
- Long bunch-train running always characterized by difficult set-up!
- > Remaining goal is routine and stable operation for FLASH users
- > 9 mA goals addresses operational limits (pushed by ILC requirements)



#### **Objectives of the full beam loading experiment**

- > Long-pulse high beam loading (9 mA) demonstration
  - 800 µs pulse length with 2400 bunches (3 MHz), 3 nC per bunch
  - Vector sum control of up to 24 cavities, ± 0.1 % energy stability
  - Cavity gradients approaching quench limits
  - Beam energy 700-1000 MeV
- > Characterize operational limits
  - Energy stability limitations
  - Klystron overhead needed for LLRF control
  - HOM absorber studies (cryo-load)
- > Operation close to limits, eg
  - Robust automation of tuning, etc
  - Quench detection/recovery, exception handling
  - Beam-based adjustments/optimization

#### Operational challenge for FLASH

Well beyond typical beam parameters for photon users



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#### **FLASH 9 mA experiment**



#### Nominal experiment setup

- 3 nC / bunch
- Bunch rates: 40 kHz 3 MHz
- RF systems operating 'on crest'
- BC magnets on, but no compression
- Beam through Bypass line to dump

- RF gun 1.5 cell L-band warm photoinjector
- ACC1 8 SC cavities
- ACC23 2x 8 SC cavities
- ACC456 3x 8 SC cavities
- LLRF digital I/Q control of VS
- Piezo tuners ACC3, ACC5, ACC6



#### ACC456 – focus of the experiment



> the 3 modules ACC4, 5, and 6 build an ILC type accelerating unit powered by one 10 MW multi beam klystron



#### First run September 2008



#### High beam-loading long pulse operation (550 bunches at 1 MHz, ~2.5 nC / bunch at dump, 890 MeV)



#### Long bunch trains:

- 450 bunches @ 1 MHz
- 300 bunches @ 500 kHz
- ... terminated early by vacuum incident in dump line

#### **Biggest operational issue: minimizing beam losses**

- High beam power (~6 kW)
- Narrow energy aperture, sensitive to LLRF tuning
- Insufficient beam loss information from dump line



#### **Dump line section**





#### **Dump line vacuum chamber**









#### Bunch charge ~ 3 nC along the linac and bunch train with 800 bunches at ~3 mA



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> step: 2400 bunches 3 nC towards 9 mA



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#### Major achievements Sept 2009



Metric	Goal	Achieved
Bunches per pulse	800 x 3nC (1MHz)	800 x 3nC
	2400 x 3nC (3MHz)	1800 x 3nC
		2100 x 2.5nC
		~2400 x 2nC
Charge per pulse	7200nC @ 3MHz	5400nC @ 3MHz
Beam power	36kW	22kW
Beampower	(7200nC, 5Hz, 1GeV)	(6000nC, 5Hz, 800MeV)
Gradients close to quench	Up to 32Mv/m	Several cavities above 30Mv/m at end of long pulse

- 15 contiguous hours running with 3 mA and 800 µs bunch trains
- Running at ~9 mA with bunch trains of 500 600 µs for several hours
- Full pulse length (800  $\mu$ s, ~2400 bunches) at ~6 mA for shorter periods
- Energy deviations within long bunch trains: <0.5 % p-p (7 mA beam)
- Energy jitter pulse-pulse with long bunch trains: ~0.13 % rms (7 mA)





## Specific Issues concerning LLRF



#### Long bunch trains issues versus single bunch

- > All the challenges with setting up and running the machine are magnified when running long bunch trains
- > Requires consistent and stable bunch properties over the bunch train





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#### Example: energy of bunches in the train



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#### **Transient examples with full beam loading**





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#### **Example: energy jitter**





Jitter (first bunch): 4 MeV pp (0.5 %) Jitter (all bunches): 10 MeV

Energy spread within bunch-train: 5 MeV

**Single-bunch:** tune a single point in the RF flat-top (profile doesn't matter)

**Bunch train:** minimize deviations over the whole RF flat-top



#### Long term energy stability







#### **Transverse bunch shape along the train**









Transverse bunch distributions clearly show changes in bunch size and shape over the long bunch train

Compression slope is explained by a slope in bunch arrival phase at the bunch compressor

800 bunches @ 1 MHz, ~3 nC/bunch





### ILC-specific study examples

- Energy stability studies with full beam loading
  - Impact of running close to quench
  - Operation close to zero-crossing (ILC RTML studies)
- RF power overhead with full beam loading
  - Power overhead needed to meet spec over extended periods
  - How effectively we can minimize detuning errors
  - How close to klystron saturation we can run, and still meet spec
- Gradient studies
  - How close to quench can we operate reliably with full beam loading?

#### HOM cryo load with full beam loading

- Run with different bunch lengths



- FLASH will provide for the next user run routinely with long bunch trains – tough not with full beam loading
- Full beam loading experiments will be prepared together with the FLASH long pulse train effort
  - since many issues can be studies even with partial beam loading
  - to gain experience in long term user runs
- Next dedicated full beam loading experiment at FLASH to be expected early 2011
- > Experimental test facilities in preparation at FNAL and KEK



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