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BAM and machine stability at SXFEL

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Introduction - SXFEL

Shanghai Soft X-ray FEL Test Facility



Shanghai Soft X-ray FEL User Facility



	Parameters	Test Facility	User FEL-1	User FEL-2	Unit
	FEL type	HGHG-HGHG HGHG-EEHG	SASE	HLSS EEHG	
	Output Wavelength	8.8	2 ~ 10	1.2 ~ 3	nm
	Bunch charge	0.5 ~ 1	~ 0.5	~ 0.2	nC
	Pulse length (FWHM)	~0.5	0.3 - 1	0.3 - 1	ps
	Peak current	~0.5	0.7	0.7	kA
сш	Rep. rate	1 ~ 10	10 ~ 50	10 ~ 50	Hz
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Introduction - BAM

- To acquire ultra-short and high-brightness light :
 - The precise synchronization between the electron bunches and the seed laser pulses in three-dimensional space
- Time-resolved experiments :
 - Require high temporal resolution & stability
 - Reduce the timing jitter of the electron bunch, correct timing drifts
- Beam arrival time has to be measured !!!
- A temporal resolution better than 100 fs was required by SXFEL.





Work Review-Typical BAM system



Work Review-Beam test results (IBIC2018)





- Large than expected measurement uncertainties :
 - ➤ 1.28 ps @ BAM01
 - ➤ 1.30 ps @ BAM02



- System issues should be checked firstly
- Beam stability also need to be evaluated

Motivation

Questions:

- Why: measurement uncertainties is large than expected?
- What can we do to improve the system performance?
- How to improve the system performance?

Motivation:

- Answer these questions
- Improve the system performance
- Analysis beam stability





System Analysis and Optimization



Source analysis of measurement uncertainty



Total meansurement uncertainties

To be measured:

 Beam jitter
 Energy variation: amplitude fluctuations and phase jitter of the accelerating fields
 Noise of magnet current
 Timing jitter of the electron gun

To be improved:

- Poor stability of 2856-MHz reference signal;
- Poor performance of local oscillator
- Clock jitter

Highly suspicious

- Trigger jitter
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- Environment disturbance: temperature, humidity etc.
- Error caused by phase extraction algorithm

Fix problem of LO

- A signal source analyzer was used;
- The measured phase jitter (RMS) of 2856-MHz reference signal is in expectation.
- Key issue: Local Oscillator lost phase-lock -> Digital local oscillator
- Solution: Strictly phase-locked local oscillator -> Analog local oscillator
- The measured phase noise (RMS) of LO signal and clock signal have improved from ps to fs.



Analysis of the signal processing window

- Question: How to select the signal processing window?
- The phase measurement/extraction uncertainty (PMU) :

 $\blacksquare PMU_n = std(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)$

- Different PMU was found at different signal processing window, there is an optimal signal processing window with minimal PMU;
- For example, the PMU at the optimal signal processing window has improved by 41% compared with the 6th signal processing window.



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Optimal signal processing window

- Furtherly, the relation between the signal damping time and the optimal signal processing window was studied;
- > Simulation result reveals that they have a linear relation.



optimal signal length = $1.204 * \tau + 31$

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Analysis of Temperature (electronic devices)





- Another experiment was conducted to verify the influence of the temperature around the electronic devices (RFFE, LO, DBPM) outside the tunnel.
- The test results show an approximately linear relationship between the temperature and the beam arrival time:
 - 1.838 ps/°C@BAM01 1.972 ps/°C@BAM02
 - 1.781 ps/°C@BAM03
- A high-performance thermostatic cabinet is required for long-term stability.

1.838ps/°C



1.972ps/°C



Upgraded BAM system at SXFEL-UF

Layout of BAMs at SXFEL-UF



	Parameter BAM#01		BAM#02		BAM#03		BAM#04		BAM#05		
	Freq./GHz	4.6852	4.7204	4.729	4.685	4.6872	4.7262	4.7224	4.6848	4.7232	4.6857
	Bandwidth/ MHz	1.11	1.06	1.24	1.16	1.2	1.2	1.16	1.14	1.17	1.17
	Qload	4221	4453	3814	4039	3906	3939	4057	4106	4046	4004
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BAMs at LINAC

BAMs (3)

Thermostatic cabinet GUI



LO Freq = 13.3 MHz * 350 = 4654.2 MHz

Beam test at LINAC



Variation of beam arrival times @ 100pC



- Three upgraded BAMs system installed at SXFEL-UF's LINAC were tested.
- The measurement uncertainties of beam arrival time in short-term (about 10 min):

30 fs @ BAM01 61 fs @ BAM02 62 fs @ BAM03



The system performance has been significantly improved.

Beam stability analysis

Beam energy jitter



Beam instability



■ BFT rms meas. uncertainty = 64 fs

Beam energy jitter

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BFT rms meas. uncertainty = 65 fs
 Beam energy jitter



System noise Beam orbit fluctuation

Study of beam energy jitter

- The amplitude fluctuations and phase jitter of the accelerating fields will cause energy jitter.
- The energy-dependent path leads to the conversion of beam energy jitter to beam arrival time jitter because of dispersive effects in the magnetic bunch compressor chicane.
- High-energy electron bunch travels a shorter path (green one) while low-energy bunches travel a longer path (red one).





Relation between BFT/BAT and energy



Parameters of a chicane at SXFEL-UF

Symbol	Value	Unit
d	4.00	
<i>a</i> ₀	1.08	m
L _b	0.3	m
<i>d</i> ₁	4.8	m
В	0.1577	Т
h ₀	0.33	m

The relation between the beam energy and beam arrival/flight time:

$$t_{fly} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{4} l_i + \sum_{1}^{3} l_{i,i+1}\right) / \beta c$$

$$l_{1} = \rho \cdot \theta \qquad l_{12} = \frac{1}{\sin(\alpha)}$$
$$\cos(\alpha) + \cos(\varphi) = \frac{L_{b}}{\rho}$$
$$\rho = \frac{m_{0}c\sqrt{\gamma^{2} - 1}}{eB}$$

• A special case:
$$\varphi = 90^\circ$$

$$t_{fly}(\gamma) = \frac{\left[4\rho\theta + d_0 + 2\,d_1/\cos(\theta)\right]}{\beta c}$$

$$\theta = \arcsin\left(\frac{L_b}{\rho}\right)$$

Relation between BFT/BAT and energy



- The linear relation between the beam energy and beam arrival/flight time was obtained @ beam energy: 230 MeV to 238 MeV.
- The linear factor @ φ=90°
 0.546 ps/MeV
- The linear factor is related to the initial inclination (φ) .



Beam test for verification

- A beam test is performed to verify the relation between the beam energy and beam arrival/flight time.
- ➤ Two BAMs (BAM01 and BAM02) at LINAC are used.
- \succ An analytical magnet and a profile behind BAM02 were utilized.
- Each adjusting the accelerating phase, the data of two BAMs and profile are recorded for multiple times.
- > A total of 14 measurements are conducted.



Measurement of beam energy

- The accelerating phase is gradually adjusted from -109° to -138°, the beam energy decreases, energy spread increases;
- ➤ The range of beam energy: 238.53 MeV to 229.28 MeV
- ➤ The range of energy spread: 0.07% to 0.55%
- Beam energy jitter: 0.02% ~ 0.04%



Meas.	Acc.	Eperav/MeV/	Energy	Energy	
No.	PHASE/°		spread/%	jitter/%	
1	-109	238.53	0.07	0.03%	
2	-113	238.40	~	~	
3	-118	237.62	0.18	0.03%	
4	-120	237.24	0.20	0.02%	
5	-121	236.99	0.23	0.02%	
6	-123	236.40	0.26	0.04%	
7	-123.5	236.11	0.27	0.03%	
8	-124	235.97	0.28	0.03%	
9	-125	235.67	~	~	
10	-126	235.30	~	~	
11	-128	234.46	~	~	
12	-130	233.66	0.40	0.03%	
13	-132	232.57	0.44	0.03%	
14	-138	229.28	0.55	0.03%	

Measurement of beam arrival time

- More than 16000 samples (over 2 hours) were obtained;
- The variation of two beam arrival times are totally different;



- Beam arrival time @BAM01:
 - A small variation
 - peak-to-peak = 0.35 ps;

- Beam arrival time @BAM02:
 - ➤ A large variation;
 - peak-to-peak = 6.5 ps;

Relation between BFT/BAT and energy

A linear relation between the beam energy and beam flight time is also proved by the beam test:

$$t_{BFT} = -k * E + b,$$

 $k = 0.692 \pm 0.018$ ps/MeV, $b = 165.1 \pm 4.1$

Relation between beam energy and BFT



Meas. No.	ACC. PHASE/°	BFT/ps	Mea. Uncertainty/fs
1	-109	-0.001	71
2	-113	0.106	84
3	-118	0.491	73
4	-120	0.634	72
5	-121	0.846	72
6	-123	1.320	81
7	-123.5	1.498	75
8	-124	1.553	86
9	-125	1.772	68
10	-126	2.062	64
11	-128	2.630	70
12	-130	3.234	67
13	-132	3.893	80
14	-138	6.300	88

Discussion

- Both formula-based calculation and beam test result show the linear relation between the beam flight time and beam energy (230MeV to 238 MeV)
- The linear factors obtained by formula-based calculation and beam test results are a bit different: -0.546 ps/MeV and -0.692 ps/MeV
 - Beam energy spread;
 - Beam profile;
 - Beam inclination;
- Given the beam energy rms jitter of 0.02% to 0.04% and the linear factor of 0.692 ps/MeV, the beam flight time rms jitter is expected to be 33 fs to 65 fs.
 - -> a little smaller than the measured results (64 fs to 88 fs)
- Possible reasons:
 - Timing Jitter of reference signal
 - Not fully identical systems
- **Fluctuations of magnet current, environment, etc.** \mathbf{F}

Discussion- new scheme

- Different from the typical scheme, dual-cavity mixing scheme uses the RF signal generated in a cavity as LO signal.
- > Pros:
 - Independent of the performance of LO signal provided by LO
 - > Place inside the tunnel: more stable temperature, humidity
 - Cost-effective for beam flight time measurement
- Beam test at SXFEL:
 - > Meas. uncertainty (RMS) : **38 fs** over 20 min; -> match well with calculated results
 - Meas. uncertainty (RMS) : 53 fs over 18 hours;



Conclusion



Conclusion

- The flawed cavity-based beam arrival time measurement systems at SXFEL-TF have been analyzed and optimized from several aspects;
- The **improved** beam arrival time measurement systems have been **utilized** at SXFEL-UF.
- The beam-based test reveal an obvious beam instability:
 - The beam flight time deviation with and without a magnetic chicane are 64 fs and 10 fs, respectively.
 - beam energy jitter was highly suspected.

• Design and conduct an experiment to evaluate the contribution of beam energy jitter:

- A linear relation between the beam energy and the beam flight time traveling through a magnetic chicane is verified by formula calculation and beam test: -0.546 ps/MeV @ formula calculation & -0.692 ps/MeV @ beam test
- The energy jitter can contribute 33 fs to 65 fs to the beam flight time rms jitter.
- Match well with measurement results based on dual-cavity mixing scheme
- A promising application of the BAM system is used for **beam energy measurement**.
- Another promising scheme (dual-cavity mixing) is offered for beam flight time detection.

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What we can do next

- Further study beam stability and investigate other factors
- Further explore the possibility of using the BAM system to measure the beam energy
 - Analyze the impact of bunch profile, bunch length, beam inclination, and energy spread, as well as cavity distance on the measurement
 - Analyze the applicability of this approach @energy, energy spread
 - Compare the method with the SBPM-based scheme
- Further exploit and optimize the dual-cavity mixing scheme
 - Analyze the impact of damping time and signal amplitude of RF signals on the measurement
 - Analyze the temperature variation inside the tunnel and its impact on the measurement





Questions? Suggestions?

