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- 1. Introduction to Proton-Driven PWA
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Proton-Driven Wakefield Acceleration

Both laser-driven and electron-bunch driven acceleration will require many stages to reach the TeV scale.

We know how to produce high energy protons (many TeV) in bunches with population > 10^{11} /bunch today, so if we can use protons to drive an electron bunch we could potentially have a simpler arrangement single stage acceleration.

Linear regime $(n_b < n_0)$:

$$E_{z,\max} \approx 2 \text{ GeV/m} \cdot \left(\frac{N_b}{10^{10}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{100 \ \mu\text{m}}{\sigma_z}\right)^2$$

Need very short proton bunches for strong gradients. Today's proton beams have

$$\sigma_z \approx 10 - 30 \text{ cm}$$

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Magnetic bunch compression (BC)

Beam compression can be achieved:

- (1) by introducing an energy-position correlation along the bunch with an RF section at zero-crossing of voltage
- (2) and passing beam through a region where path length is energy dependent: this is generated by bending magnets to create dispersive regions.



□ To compress a bunch longitudinally, trajectory in dispersive region must be shorter for tail of the bunch than it is for the head.

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LPWA09 Workshop, Kardamili Greece, June 22-26, 2009

Phase space of beam





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Simulation study



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Densities & Fields



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PWA via Modulated Proton Beam

Producing short proton bunches not possible today w/o major investment. Not an option for the short term ...

Instead, we investigated modulating a long bunch to produce a series of 'micro'-bunches in a plasma.

The microbunches are generated by a transverse modulation of the bunch density (transverse two-stream instability). The microbunches are naturally spaced at the plasma wavelength, and act constructively to generate a strong plasma wake. Investigated both numerically and theoretically (N. Kumar, A. Pukhov, and K. V. Lotov, Phys. Rev. Lett. **104**, 255003 (2010)).

Seeding the correct instability



Phase velocity of the wake

To trap & accelerate electrons in the wake of the protons, it is important that the wake phase velocity matches the electron velocity. Initially, the gamma-factor is

 γ_{min} ~40

This is order of magnitude below that of the beam.

Requires that we inject electrons after the phase velocity has D_{i_3} stabilized.

Pukhov et al., Phys Rev Lett (2011)



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Solution: Delayed Electron Injection

Single plasma cell case:



Electron bunch injected off-axis at an angle, so that it merges with the proton bunch once the modulation is developed and the phase velocity is high.

Electron injection

Side injection after 6 meters, at 0.005 rad angle, 8 MeV electrons



Side injection: high efficiency trapping of electrons, small energy spread

K. Lotov

Perspectives: eventually, we want 100's of GeV, but ...

... wakefield amplitude quickly drops after the beam gets modulated.

Reason: defocusing regions keep on moving along the beam and destroys the bunches.





Proto-collaboration with 25 institutes, including world-experts in all needed categories

Letter of Intent for a Demonstration Experiment in Proton-Driven Plasma Wakefield Acceleration

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Interesting mix of
theorists &
experimentalists

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Positive review by SPSC October 2011



Expected Results

A long SPS drive beam will be sent into a 5-10m long plasma cell. A self-modulation of the beam due to the transverse wakefield occurs which produces many ultrashort beam slices.





Particle-in-cell simulations predict acceleration of injected electrons to beyond 1 GeV.

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The modulation resonantly drives wakefields in the 100-1000 MV/m regime.





Accelerator chain of CERN (operating or approved projects)



TT61 tunnel today

"Up" bends (bring beam horizontal to the old exp. area) - can be used as the spectrometer

End tunnel to be converted to **beam dump**



Milestones

March 2012 (Conceptual Design Report) (delayed to March 2013) Demonstrate at least one technology for a 1m long plasma cell with 10¹⁴ cm⁻³ density, uniformity better than 5% (unlikely in 2012)

Define seeding scenario in 3D simulations, define experimental test

Technical design of electron beam injection into plasma + spectrometer + dump + proton beam line. (on track)

Radiation and safety study. (on track)

Layout of experimental area (p delivery&dump, e injector+spectrometer +dump, plasma cell, diagnostics, lasers) (on track)

Milestones-Continued

Dec 2013

Demonstrate at least one technology for a plasma length 5m with 10¹⁵ cm⁻³, uniformity better than 2%, define baseline choice(s) Demonstrate seeding in experimental tests, define baseline

Dec 2014

Demonstrate 1% uniformity and complete operational plasma cell(s) *installation of switch/delivery into TT61 by end of LHC shutdown*

Aug 2015

Installation of beam lines, experimental area

Sep 2015 Beam commissioning, first beam to plasma



Plasma Cell ideas:

Metal vapor cell: MPP



More on this later ...

MPP Specific Activities

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Planning the CERN experiment

Development of novel plasma cells

Development of novel diagnostic tools

+ Patric's activities at BNL & SLAC

Plasma cell R&D







Heat pipe oven concept + vapor cell E. Öz, P. Muggli



Measurements with discharge cell



Heat Pipe Oven

SLAC style, under development at MPP although it will probably not be used at CERN: Probably Rb and not Li vapor. Will be used to study density uniformity (fluid---molecular flow)



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Metal Vapor Cell

under design. Probably Rb rather than Li

No buffer gas, no wick, no liquid - just the vapor as the ideal gas $\Delta T/T = \Delta n/n$ - temperature stability is key.

But - Alkali metals are extremely corrosive, hard to confine, blacken glass, quartz
 Requires special sealing, special materials especially for windows, high failure rate
 Literature: Vapor cells with separate liquid reservoir (coldest point) : liquid provides density
 control

Looking into valve technology for laser, beam; evaluating necessary speed and other conditions to maintain density uniformity.

Laser parameters for ionization/seeding have been worked out. Acquire laser 2013.



Characterization of Density Non-Uniformity Caused by Valves : Electron Beam Fluoresence*



^{*}Measuring the density of a molecular cluster injector via visible emission from an electron beam **D.P. Lundberg** et al, Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory Rev. Sci. Instrum. 81, 10D707 (2010);

Plasma density measurement via GHz transmission





Example diagnostic study:

Transverse Coherent Transition Radiation (TCTR)

Introduced by A. Pukhov

• Coherent Transition Radiation emitted radially around a charged beam along the Transverse coherent transition radiation for diagnosis of modulated proton bunches surface of a (metallic) screen A Pukhov and T Tuockmantel

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- Electric field component normal (to the screen)
- Dipole-like radiation pattern
- Can be modulated by beam density



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Transverse coherent transition radiation (TCTR) emitted by a relativistic particle bunch traversing a conducting surface is analyzed. The bunch emits dipole-like radiation in the direction transverse to the bunch ax is when the beam radius is smaller than the radiation wavelength. The radiation wavelength is defined by the longitudinal structure of the particle bunch. The particular case of proton bunches modified by propagation in plasma, but still carrying an unmodulated current is considered. Radius-modulated bunches with a constant current emit axially symmetric radiation, Hosed bunches emit antisymmetric radiation in the plane of hosing. The TCTR field amplitude may reach 100 kV/m for the existing proton bunches.

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May 201 Coherent transition radiation (CTR) is one of the most common techniques used for diagnosis of a longitudinal structure of charged particles bunches [1-5]. The method particularly demonstrated its power to characterize accelerated electron bunches in laser-plasma experiments [6-8]. An elementary charge propagating through a medium with a particular dielectric permittivity is dressed by a field matched to that medium. When the charge traverses a sharp boundary of two media with different permittivities, its field must be adjusted. The unmatched field can be radiated. The strongest radiation is observed when a charge passes a boundary between a conductor and vacuum. A point-like relativistic charge with the relativistic factor γ emits a radiation burst that is collimated within a cone with the opening angle $\theta \approx 1/\gamma$ around the axis, although the emission is exactly zero in the propagation direction itself. The radiation is broadband. A bunch of particles can emit this radiation coherently at the wavelength comparable with its longitudinal structure.

Recently, a concept of proton bunch-driven plasma wake field accelerator has been put forward [9-11]. In this concept, a long proton bunch is sent through plasma where it undergoes self-modulation at the plasma wave period and excites a strong resonant wake field. A test experiment is in preparation at CERN. One of the experimental challenges will be the detection and characterization of the proton bunch modulation after it exits the plasma cell.

The nature of the proton bunch modulation is such that the proton bunch radius is modulated, but the total bunch current remains the same in each cross-section. For this reason, there will be no signatures of the proton bunch modulation in the forward coherent transition radiation. The classic forward CTR is cast useless in this case. Moreover, it is important in the experiment to distinguish between the axisymmetric modulation mode when the radius of the proton bunch is changing periodically [11] and the possible hosing mode when the proton bunch centroid oscillates periodically in the transverse plain [12].

Below we show that the transverse coherent transi-

tion radiation (TCTR) does contain the signature of the bunch modulation and allows to distinguish between the axisymmetric modulation mode and the hosing. The TCTR is emitted perpendicularly to the particle bunch propagation direction and its amplitude does not depend on the particles γ -factor as soon as it is large enough.

ORIGIN OF TRANSVERSE TRANSITION RADIATION

Let us consider a transition radiation emitted by a particle bunch as it traverses normally a conductor plate. The interaction geometry is illustrated in Fig. 1. When an elementary charge dq exits from the conducting plate in the normal direction with the velocity v, the radiated field is given by the formula (63.8) from the Landau textbook [13]

$$d\mathbf{E} = \frac{dq}{c^2 \left(R - \frac{\mathbf{R}\mathbf{v}}{c}\right)^3} \mathbf{R} \times \left[\left(\mathbf{R} - \frac{\mathbf{v}}{c} R \right) \times \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt'} \right] \\ + \frac{dq}{c^2 \left(R + \frac{\mathbf{R}\mathbf{v}}{c}\right)^3} \mathbf{R} \times \left[\left(\mathbf{R} + \frac{\mathbf{v}}{c} R \right) \times \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt'} \right] \quad (1)$$

where θ is the retarded time so that

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$$R(t')/c - t$$
. (2)

The second term in Eq. (1) is generated by the image of the physical charge in the conducting plate.

When the elementary charge is inside the metal plate, its field is completely screened. Thus, the current is created abruptly when the charge exits into the free space. We can write for the velocity $\mathbf{v}(t') = \mathbf{v}_0 \Theta(t' - t_0)$, where t_p is the time the charge exits into vacuum and $\Theta(t)$ is the Heaviside step function.

The denominators in Eq. (3) suggest that a point-like charge emits the strongest field at the angle $\theta \approx 1/\gamma$ around the propagation direction. Yet, we will be not interested in the emission in this direction, because it does

TCTR in combination with EO-sampling

- Electric fields with amplitudes up to hundredths of kV at a distance of 10mm
- Signal is to the first order proportional to the beam density
- High frequencies (several hundredth GHz)
 - → Make use of electrooptic sampling
- But: No simple frequency response curve

$$E_z(\omega, R_0) = \frac{ev_0^2}{\pi c^2 R_0} \exp(j\omega(-\frac{R_0}{c}) \int \int \exp(j\omega\frac{\rho}{c}\cos(\phi))\tilde{n}(\omega, \mathbf{r})\rho \,d\rho \,d\phi$$



Development of EO-sampling (for TCTR) at MPP

- Using dispersive Fourier-transform
- First test setup is working fine
- Development of special probes in the near future

Probe setup with a "closed" optical path using GRIN-Lenses and prisms: Possible length of probe in longitudinal (beam) direction: < 1cm

EO-sampling and plasma density measurement at MPP







GRIN-Lens with prism (GRINTECH)

Conclusions

- Proton-driven wakefield acceleration has appealing features
- AWAKE collaboration formed, preparing CDR for CERN experiment
- Active R&D going on in many places, including at the MPP