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Energy-double simulations of LCLS-II beams and the study of ion motion induced energy spread growth

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Motivation

- LCLS-II
- High repetition frequency (super conducting, ~MHz)
- Energy: 8 GeV, Current: 2kA
- \succ plasma acceleration: 8 GeV \rightarrow 16 GeV to reach >20 keV radiation

$$\lambda_r = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma^2} (1 + K^2)$$



https://portal.slac.stanford.edu/sites/lcls_public/lcls_ii/

Main Challenges

- X-FEL have stringent requirements to the beam quality: $\epsilon_{_N}$, I and $\sigma_{_E}/E$
- I: can be conserved
- $\succ \epsilon_{N}$: can be conserved using plasma to matching in and out; ion motion induced growth¹
- > $\sigma_{\rm E}/{\rm E}$: (1) slice energy spread in an infinitely thin slice: transverse non-uniformity of the E_z field may be caused by residual electrons inside the wake or the ion motion

(2) slice energy spread in the cooperation length@~60nm: the local chirp of the E_z and the slice energy spread in an infinitely thin slice, <p-3×10⁻⁴ (16 GeV beam, λ_r =0.062 nm)

(3) projected energy spread: the profile of the E_z , can increase the bandwidth of the radiation

¹Weiming An, et al., PRL 118, 244801 (2017)

Main Parameters

	l [kA]	σ _z [μm]	ε _n [μm]	σ _r [μm]	Q [pC]	E _b [GeV]	σ _{Eb} [keV]
Driver	2	16	1.2	0.52	269	8	80
	l [kA]	σ _z [μm]	ε _n [μm]	σ _r [μm]	Q [pC]	E _b [GeV]	σ _{εb} [keV]
Witness	2	6	0.4	0.3	103	8	80
	n _p [cm ⁻³]	k _p -1 [μm]					
Plasma	7e16	20					

QuickPIC simulation setup:

- **>** Box: 167 μm × 167 μm × 167 μm
- Grid Size: 40 nm × 40 nm × 163 nm
- > Grid numbers: $2^{12} \times 2^{12} \times 2^{10}$



The slice energy spread in an infinitely thin slice - transverse non-uniformity of the E_z

Because there are some residual charge inside the wake, the E_z field is not perfectly uniform in the transverse direction.



We can see the relative non-uniformity of E_z is less than 10⁻⁵ in most of the wake, thus the growth of the energy spread in an infinitely thin slice due to this effect can be neglected.

The slice energy spread in a cooperation length – beam loading

- The cooperation length $L_C \approx \frac{\lambda_r}{2\sqrt{\pi}\rho}$
- > 16 GeV case, λ_r =0.062 nm, ρ ~3×10⁻⁴ → L_c ≈60 nm (k_pL_c ~3×10⁻³).
- If we assume the E_z field is smooth on the scale of L_c, the relative variation of E_z over L_c can be estimated as

$$\frac{\Delta E_z}{E_z} \approx \left| \frac{\mathrm{d}E_z/\mathrm{d}\xi}{E_z} \right| L_c$$



QuickPIC simulation Results



The values of 'Time' are not correct after Time=6000. Please ignore these values.

QuickPIC Simulation results at z=1.45 m



Ion motion induced by the beams

QuickPIC one-step simulation

>n_d≈350 n_p (8GeV, ε_N=1.2μm, σ_r=0.5μm) >n_w≈1000 n_p (8GeV, ε_N=0.4μm, σ_r=0.3μm)



Red line: 3-sigma boundary of the witness beam

Blue line: witness beam profile

Ion motion induced by the beams



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- (1) Assume the transverse distribution of the beam is fixed, thus the distribution of E_z is fixed.
- (2) Axial-symmetry geometry.

Energy Gain:
$$\gamma = \int_{z_i}^{z_f} dz' E_z\left(x(z')\right) = \int_{z_i}^{z_f} dz' E_z\left((\gamma/2)^{-1/4}\epsilon_N^{1/2}\cos\frac{z'}{\sqrt{2\gamma}}\right)$$

Gaussian Distribution: $E_z(r) = E_{z0} + \Delta E_z \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma_o^2}\right)$

$$\begin{split} \Delta \gamma &\approx \int_{z}^{z+2\pi\sqrt{2\gamma}} dz' \left(E_{z0} + \Delta E_{z} \exp\left[-\frac{\epsilon_{N} \cos^{2}(z'/\sqrt{2\gamma})}{\sqrt{2\gamma}\sigma_{o}^{2}} \right] \right) \\ &\approx 2\pi\sqrt{2\gamma} \left[E_{z0} + \Delta E_{z} \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon_{N}}{2\sqrt{2\gamma}\sigma_{o}^{2}} \right) I \left(0, \frac{\epsilon_{N}}{2\sqrt{2\gamma}\sigma_{o}^{2}} \right) \right] \\ &= 2\pi\sqrt{2\gamma} \left[E_{z0} + \Delta E_{z} \exp\left(-\frac{\hat{x}^{2}}{4\sigma_{o}^{2}} \right) I \left(0, \frac{\hat{x}^{2}}{4\sigma_{o}^{2}} \right) \right] \end{split}$$

Gaussian beam distribution: $f(x, p_x) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_{p_x}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_x^2} - \frac{p_x^2}{2\sigma_{p_x}^2}\right)$

then:
$$f(\hat{x}) = \frac{\hat{x}}{\sigma_x^2} \exp\left(-\frac{\hat{x}^2}{2\sigma_x^2}\right)$$

We can get:
$$\Delta \bar{\gamma} = \int_{0}^{+\infty} \Delta \gamma(\hat{x}) f(\hat{x}) d\hat{x}$$
$$\approx 2\pi \sqrt{2\gamma} \left[E_{z0} + \frac{\Delta E_z}{\sqrt{1 + \kappa^2}} \right] \qquad \text{where } \kappa = \sigma_x / \sigma_o$$
$$\sigma_{\Delta\gamma} = \sqrt{\int_{0}^{+\infty} \left[\Delta \gamma(\hat{x}) - \Delta \bar{\gamma} \right]^2 f(\hat{x}) d\hat{x}}$$
$$= 2\pi \sqrt{2\gamma} \Delta E_z \sqrt{\frac{(2/\pi) E[(1 + \kappa^{-2})^{-2}] - 1}{(1 + \kappa^2)}}$$

If $E_{z0}/\Delta E_z \gg 1$ which is valid in most cases, we can get

$$\frac{\sigma_{\Delta\gamma}}{\Delta\bar{\gamma}} \approx \frac{\Delta E_z}{E_{z0}} \sqrt{\frac{\frac{2}{\pi} E[(1+\kappa^{-2})^{-2}] - 1}{1+\kappa^2}} \qquad \text{where } \kappa = \sigma_x / \sigma_o$$

Next we discuss the induced relative energy spread in two opposite limits. If $\kappa \ll 1,$

$$\frac{\sigma_{\Delta\gamma}}{\Delta\bar{\gamma}} \approx \frac{\kappa^2}{2} \frac{1}{1 + E_{z0}/\Delta E_z} \approx \frac{\Delta E_z}{E_{z0}} \frac{\kappa^2}{2}$$
(14)

If $\kappa \gg 1$,

$$\frac{\sigma_{\Delta\gamma}}{\Delta\bar{\gamma}} \approx \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\Delta E_z}{E_{z0}} \frac{\log(\kappa)}{\kappa}$$
(15)



Figure 1: Left: The dependence of the factor on κ . Right: the comparison of the slice energy spread from numerical calculations (black circles) and the formula (red line). Parameters: $E_i = 8 \text{ GeV}, E_{z0} = 2, \Delta E_z = 0.01$ and the acceleration distance is L = 8000. Because the spot size of the beam decreases as the energy grows, there is small difference between the numerical results and the formula.

Predication from QuickPIC one-step simulation

QuickPIC long simulation at z=1.45 m (E_b=16.1 GeV)



Agreement is good for the region whose slice energy spread is dominated by the ion motion.

QuickPIC long simulation at z=1.45 m ($E_b=16.1$ GeV)



Ion motion also cause the emittance growth and the distortion of the β -function.

Solutions

- Spoil the emittance of the driver
- Use Lithium instead of Hydrogen $\hat{E}_r = 0.2 \text{ TV/m, not strong enough to ionize the 2nd}$ electron of Lithium

$$\hat{E}_r = \frac{\Lambda}{\hat{\sigma}_r} \frac{1 - \exp\left(-\hat{r}^2/2\hat{\sigma}_r^2\right)}{\hat{r}} \sim \frac{\Lambda}{2\hat{\sigma}_r}$$



QuickPIC long simulations with Lithium



Summary

- We simulate the energy-double of the LCLS-II beams in plasma wakefield acceleration.
- Possible growth of the emittance and the energy spread and the distortion of the βfunction induced by the ion motion are studied.
- Solutions to suppress the ion motion for our parameters are proposed.

• Thanks!