# Overview of FEL injectors Massimo Ferrario INFN - LNF



# SASE FEL Electron Beam Requirement: High Brightness $B_n > 10^5 A/m^2$



Bunch compressors RF & magnetic

Cathode emittance

Pulse shaping

**Emittance** compensation

# FEL resonance condition implies that $e^{-1}$ slips back in phase w.r.t. photons by $\lambda_r$ per period $\lambda_u$



## Amplification occurs over slippage length L<sub>s</sub> ==> '*slice*' parameters are important







 $B_n \approx 10^{15} \left[ A/m^2 \right]$ 

#### Emittance Compensation ==> Controlled Damping of Space Charge Effects



==> propagation close to the "invariant envelope"





#### 500 kV pulsed thermionic gun for SCSS

SPring



Stable operation with uniform beam quality Low thermal emittance single crystal CeB<sub>6</sub> (Cerium Hexaborite) Low accelerating gradient => Low charge density (10 MV/m) => Free from dark current <sup>8</sup>

# Ulta-Low slice emittance gun ==> 0.05 μm @ source (0.1 μm @ undulator)







Frequency	1x10 Hz (macro pulse)	-
Peak field at cathode	6 GeV/m	> 6 GV/m
Charge per bunch	200 pC	> 1 nC (long pulses)
Rms norm. emittance	0.05 mm mrad (at cathode)	< 0.1 mm mrad (I < 0.6 A)
Peak Current	5.5 A (at cathode)	0.6 A
Average Current	2 nA	>5 μA (long pulses)



# Photo-Injector Test Facility at Zeuthen

#### Goals of **PITZ**

• test facility for FELs: FLASH, XFEL

 $\Rightarrow$  small transverse emittance

(1 mm mrad @ 1 nC)

⇒ long RF pulses => high average power

- $\Rightarrow$  long laser pulse trains
- $\Rightarrow$  high QE cathode Cs<sub>2</sub>Te
- PITZ2 features:
  - ⇒ higher gun gradient (~60MV/m)
  - ⇒ flat-top cathode laser profile with shorter rise/fall time
  - ⇒ emittance conservation with booster cavity

Several gun cavities (1.5-cell, L-band, 1.3 GHz) have been conditioned and operated: PITZ-guns1,2,3, BESSY-gun.

Currently, *gun3* cavity is under characterization







measured @ VUV-FEL(FLASH): p = 127 MeV/c, Q = 1 nC

- regularly obtain 2.1 mm mrad (100% rms projected emittance)
- minimum 1.1 mm mrad (90% rms projected emittance)



# LCLS Injector Parameters

Parameter	Value
Peak Current	100 A
Charge	1 nC
Normalized Transverse Emittance: Projected/Slice	< 1.2 / 1.0 micron (rms)
Repetition Rate	120 Hz
Energy	135 MeV
Energy Spread@135 MeV: Projected/Slice	0.1 / 0.01 % (rms)
Gun Laser Stability	0.20 ps (rms)
Booster Mean Phase Stability	0.1 deg (rms)
Charge Stability	2 % (rms)
Bunch Length Stability	5 % (rms)



# LCLS Gun

### **Modified from**

**BNL/SLAC/UCLA version** 

#### <u>S-Band (2.856 MHz)</u> <u>1.6 cell</u>



## **LCLS version**

- •RF Dipole suppressed with dual feed
  - Quadrupole suppressed with racetrack shape
- Solenoid Quadrupole component compensated
- Laser axial injection
- Mode separation 15MHz instead of 3.5 MHz









# Ti:Sa LASER system



#### 0.02 nm resolution spectrometer

#### 200 fs resolution UV xcorrelator







Cu Cathode QE  $\sim 10^{-4}$  improved by laser cleaning



#### **Coils Current Configuration**



**Beam rotation ~60°** 





$$r'' = -\left(\frac{eB(z)}{2\,\gamma m\,\beta c}\right)^2$$

$$\vartheta' = -\frac{eB(z)}{2\gamma m\beta c}$$

#### Beam rotation ~0°



I(A)=-140 ,-140, +140,+140

I(A)=+140 ,+140, +140,+140

# Movable Emittance-Meter



### Gun and emittance meter in the SPARC bunker



#### Beam envelope along the drift



#### Beam rms norm. emittance along the drift



#### Comparison measurements-computations: envelopes





#### Comparison measurements-computations:emittance





# Velocity bunching concept





# **Rectilinear Bunching Experiments**

	BNL	UCLA	<b>BNL-DUVFEL</b>	UTNL-18L	LLNL
Methode	Ballistic	Ballistic	Velocity Bunching	Velocity Bunching	Velocity Bunching
Acc. Structure	S-band	PWT	4 S-band	1 S-band	4 S-band
Measurement	zero- phasing method	CTR	zero-phasing method	Femotsecond Streak Camera	CTR
Charge	0.04 nC	0.2 nC	0.2 nC	1 nC	0.2 nC
Bunch width	0.37 ps (rms)	0.39 ps (rms)	0.5 ps (rms)	0.5 ps (rms)	< 0.3 ps
Comp. Ratio	6	15	> 3	> 13	10
Solenoid field	No	No	No	Yes	Yes

## High average current sources



#### DC photo-electron source





operation mode		
pulsed / CW	cw	
single bunch charge	122 pC	
single bunch rep rate	75 MHz	
DC voltage / gap	350 kV / 10.57 cm	
average current	9.1 mA	
norm. trans. emittance (rms)	~ 8-10 mm mrad @ 10 MeV	

Long operating experience High average current Low accelerating gradient ---> Low charge density

#### **Multivariate Optimization of Cornell Injector**

#### Results for 800 pC:



# Superconducting RF photoinjectors

Main Advantage:

Low RF Power Losses & CW Operation

### **Problems and Open Questions:**

- Emittance Compensation ?
- High Peak Field on Cathode ?
- Cathode Materials and QE ?



Courtesy of Dietmar Janssen



**BNL (since 2002)** 



Courtesy of Triveni Rao



Nb ◀ E<sub>RF</sub>



## FZR Rossendorf

#### normal-conducting cathode inside SC cavity



w	
1-20 pC	
MHz	
-	
-	
0 μA	
n mrad 900 keV	









Figure 2: a) RF field pattern of  $E_{TM010}$  1300 MHz and  $B_{TE021}$  3802 MHz. b) Axis fields of the RF modes.(Color picture)

gun type	3.4 cell gun, Goals		
operation mode	ELBE	high charge	
pulsed / CW	cw	cw	
single bunch charge	77 pC	1 nC	
single bunch rep rate	13 MHz	1 MHz	
average current	1 mA	1 mA	
norm. trans. emittance (rms)	1.5 mm mrad @ 9.5 MeV	2.5 mm mrad @ 9.5 MeV	
rf frequency	1.3 GHz	1.3 GHz	

## Splitting Acceleration and Focusing



- The Solenoid can be placed downstream the cavity
- Switching on the solenoid when the cavity is cold prevent any trapped magnetic field





# Quantum Efficiency of Lead at 300 K measured @ BNL





# Schematic diagram of a secondary emission amplified photoinjector



## Conclusions

Lot of **R&D** ongoing on *technical issues*: Laser and Cathodes, Advanced Diagnostic, High duty, quasi-CW operations, SC RF gun, higher frequencies ultra-high gradients (X and W-band)

Within next year *more experimental data* will be available on RF compression and pulse manipulation for Ellipsoidal Beam and Blow Out Regime

Progress in plasma inj

