# **COTR Resistant Profile Monitor**

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# Outline



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#### **Overview**

- Accelerators for X-FELs need high brightness beam
  - multi GeV
  - sub-micron emittance
  - 10<sup>-4</sup> energy spread
  - sub 100 fs bunch duration
  - sub 100 µm beam size
- Need 2-D beam images (slice emittance, z-δ phase space)
- Choice of scintillator or OTR
- Initial choice OTR for XFELs (no saturation, resolution issues)
- High brightness also stimulates visible beam coherence
- Coherent OTR (COTR) makes OTR screens unusable

#### **COTR Observations**



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# **COTR Effects**

- Driven by
  - longitudinal space charge instability
  - current spikes in ultrashort bunches
- Intensity enhancement
  - OTR ~ N electrons independent
  - COTR intensity ~  $N^2|f(\lambda)|^2$
- Apparent beam size changes
  - Core or fraction of bunch radiates coherently
- Shape changes
  - Doughnuts
  - Entire transverse beam extent radiates coherently



Wesch & Schmidt DIPAC11 WEOA01



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# **Mitigation Schemes**

- Beam manipulation
  - Change particle distribution to suppress COTR generation
- OTR filtering
  - Selective OTR observation to suppress COTR fraction
- Scintillating crystals
  - Avoid OTR and use radiation process based on energy loss in a material
- All schemes need to suppress COTR to a level much less than the intensity of the desired radiation
  - This may require many orders of magnitude

#### Laser Heater

- LSC instability sensitive to slice energy spread
- Increase it with laser heater
- Should suppress COTR
- Suppression observed x100
- Still x6 above incoherent OTR





#### **COTR Induced by Laser Heater**

- LCLS laser heater chicane
  - Introduces small 8 mm R<sub>56</sub>
  - Creates x2 COTR
  - Emittance underestimated by 25%
- LH on still has COTR
  - 20% enhancement still underestimates emittance



#### **Divergence Spoiler**

- Thick spoiler foil adds beam divergence
- Back side of foil generates OTR
- Beam divergence broadens OTR far-field
- Effectively narrows OTR source size
- Limits ability of electrons to interfere
- Related effect on COTR observed at LCLS







#### **Spatial COTR Suppression**

- Fully transverse coherent COTR emitted by entire transverse bunch extent
- Can significantly narrow far-field distribution
- Spatial filter in Fourier plane of imaging system can block COTR entirely
- Applicability limited where only small transverse fractions of beam radiate coherently
- Main application to scintillators



250 MeV, Far field Intensities

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### **Spectral COTR Suppression**

- COTR more intense at longer wavelengths
- Use narrow blue band-pass filter to block COTR in favor of OTR
- Can work where LCS gain is 1 for blue wavelengths
- No benefit in situations with COTR across entire visible spectrum
- Useful to narrow CCD acceptance to scintillator BW



Wavelength (nm)



Lumpkin et al. PRSTAB 12, 080702 (2009)

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1.6

## **EUV OTR Detection**

- OTR generation at 20 nm
- Grazing incidence Mo-target for optimum reflectivity
- Spherical Mo/Si multilayer mirror
- Vacuum setup necessary
- EUV beam size somewhat smaller than visible OTR



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# **Scintillators**

- Based on electron beam bremsstrahlung energy loss
- Intensity proportional to charge density
- (C)OTR generation at crystal surfaces
- OTR x1000 weaker than fluorescence
- Issues
  - Resolution from finite crystal thickness
  - Saturation from high charge density
  - Avoid additional in-path viewing mirror as additional COTR source
- Investigations on optimum crystal tilt
- 15 µm beam size close to OTR measurement demonstrated
- Recently 7 µm shown (Naito IBIC14 TUPD08)



# **Spatial COTR Separation**

- Nearly isotropic fluorescence emission
- Blocking direct path of COTR towards camera leaves plenty of solid angle of scintillator light to reach camera.
- Blocking can be done by either pointing the camera away from the direct COTR path or by masking out the COTR cone
- Demonstrated at SACLA and LCLS

#### **Temporal COTR Separation**

- OTR emission instantaneous
- Fluorescence with ~100 ns lifetime
- Uses expensive gated CCD (intensified CCD)
- Delay CCD trigger by some 10 ns < lifetime</li>
- Only detect fluorescence while COTR is blocked



Behrens et al. PRSTAB 15, 062801 (2012)

### **SwissFEL Profile Monitor**

- Combine optimized viewing geometry and spatial COTR suppression
- Optimum viewing angle where scintillating line source appears as point source
  β = arcsin(n sin α)
- COTR emitted at opposing angle 2α
- Off-axis mirror directs light to CCD perpendicular to beam



primary beam observer scintillating column scintillating crystal observe

Courtesy R. Ischebeck

## **LCLS Installation**

- Area upstream of undulators with prior 10<sup>5</sup>
  COTR enhancement
- Camera tilted to account for tilted crystal (Scheimpflug principle)
- Use 30 µm thick crystal to limit beam losses and enable 10 Hz operation



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# **COTR Suppression Results**



- Low charge and high charge
- With and without laser heater
- Scan RF phase (chirp in MeV) to change bunch length
- 20 pC
  - Small increase at peak compression w/o LH
  - Disappears completely with LH
- 150 pC
  - Still COTR enhancement of x7 at • full compression, but much reduced with LH on
  - Nearly flat intensity over normal • operating range

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# **Commissioning Results**

- YAG saturation test
  - Scan quadrupole to vary beam size
  - No saturation at 20 pC
  - Some indication at 180 pC

- Spurious radiation
  - Coherent ODR from chamfered offaxis mirror
  - Presently replaced with knife-edge version



Beam

1500

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Profile Monitor YAGS:LTU1:743 12-Mar-2014 02:54:02

0.5

0

-0.5

-1

-1.5

-2

-2.5

CODR

-7

-6

-5

x (mm)

y (mm)

# **Still COTR?**

- LCLS x-ray/electron beam diagnostics for SXRSS
- Electrons pass by 20 µm thick YAG crystal within few mm
- Upstream annular mirror provides beam pass through and blocks specular reflections from crystal within central 50 mrad
- Very strong CODR emission from crystal observed
- Possibly excitation from UV micro-bunching



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# Summary



- Standard OTR screens unusable for high brightness accelerators due to COTR effect from uBI in many locations
- Mitigation schemes for OTR screens
  - not successful in fully suppressing COTR
  - option remains to move to much shorted detection wavelengths
- Scintillator screens
  - Reemerged as viable alternative to OTR
  - Demonstrated sub 10 µm resolution
  - Sufficient COTR suppression demonstrated by temporal and spatial separation
- Scintillator screens using spatial COTR separation schemes are used or planned for several X-ray projects operating or under construction



# Thank you for your attention!