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Experiences with Start to End Simulations and Tolerance Studies for HGHG FEL Cascades

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Outline of the talk

3 simulation examples:

- Bunches of S2E simulations
- Tolerance studies (errors in gun/linac)
- Timing jitter (resulting from above)

Discussion:

- Performance reduction
 - Counter measures
- Influence on the layout of HGHG FEL cascades

Computational Effort

S2E simulations:

Gun Simulation: Astra

25000-100000 particles
3-10 hours of CPU (no. particles/length)

Linac Simulation: Elegant

1-2*10⁵ particles
2-6 hours of CPU (no. particles/CSR)

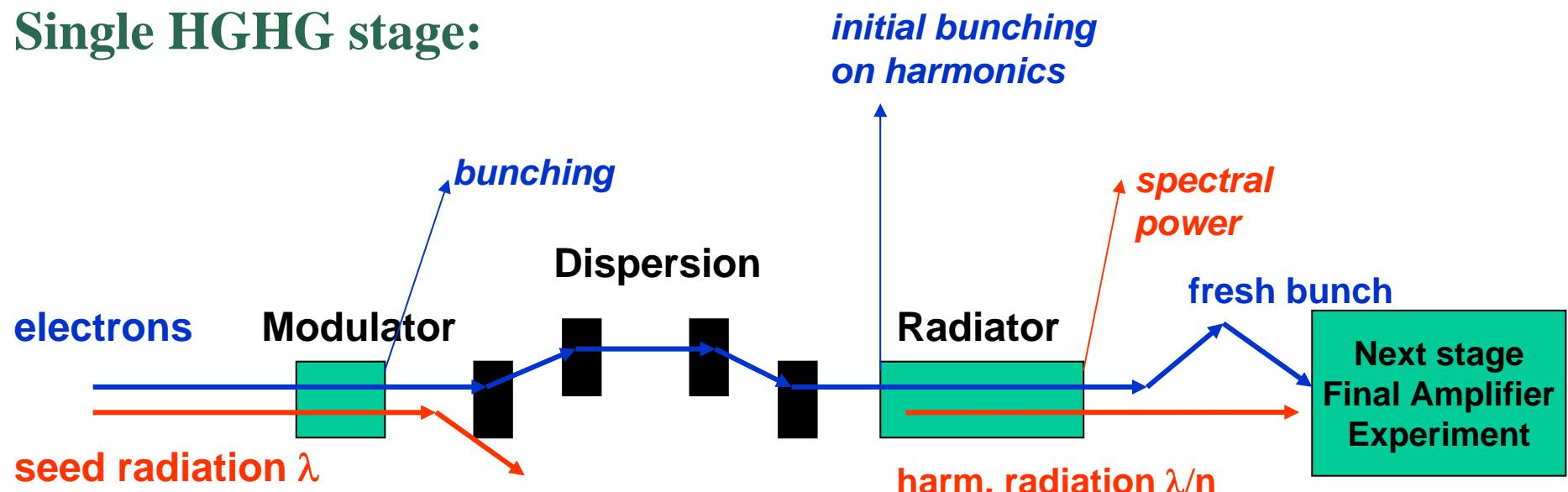
FEL Simulation: Genesis

few 10² particles/wavelength
cascading: harmonics used*10² particles
3-4 min / 1000 slices / U-period
many (!) hours of CPU

=> Full passage easily takes days

=> Tolerance studies multiply the effort by the number of runs studied

Single HGHG stage:



Modulator:
energy modulation of electrons
resonant to seed wavelength
short undulator (0.5-3m)

Dispersion:
boost harmonic bunching
4 equal dipoles

Radiator:
harmonic radiation
tuned to harmonics of seed
length 3-20m (enough seed power /
no e-spread in fresh bunch)

1. Example: Bunches from S2E simulations <=> constant bunch parameters

Single HGHG stage:

- 280 MeV, 200 A

Modulator:

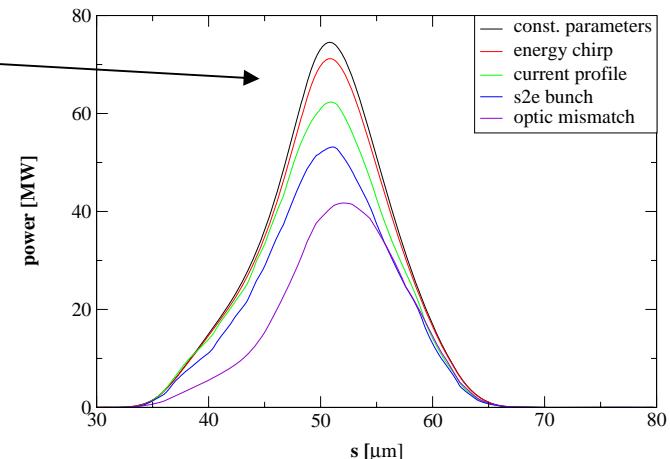
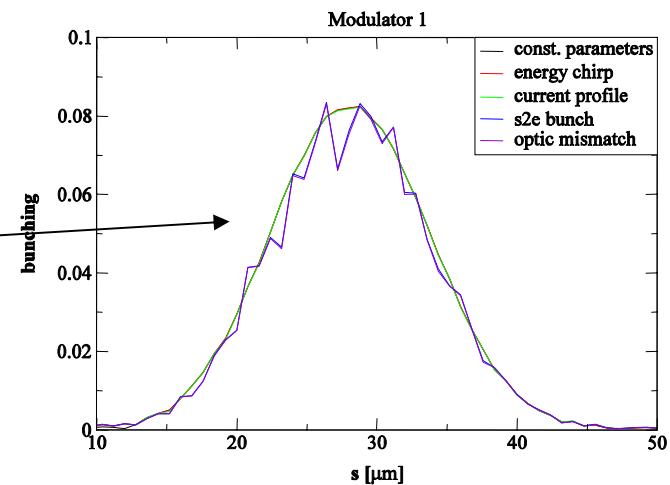
- bunching less smooth for s2e bunch (energy spread)
- no effect for γ -chirp, current

Radiator:

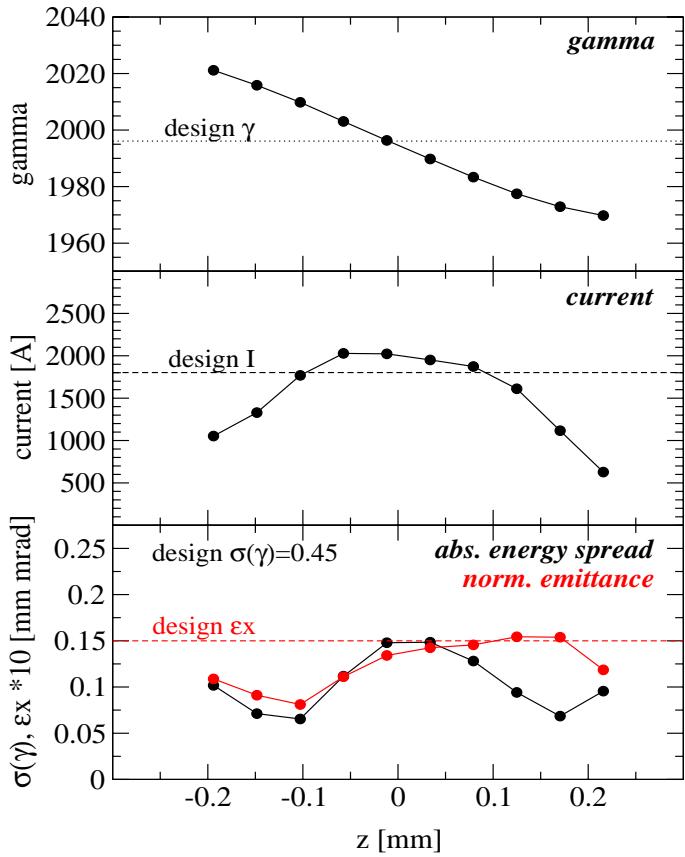
- power loss for every non-constant parameter

Colour code:

- **bunch with constant parameters**
- **incl. energy chirp $\Delta\gamma/\gamma = 1e-3/100fs$**
- **incl. current profile**
- **complete s2e bunch**
- **optics mismatch**



Parameter Profiles in s2e bunches and how to cope with them (BESSY Linac)



Energy Chirp:

- needed for bunch compression
- different γ in each HGHG stage ($\Delta\gamma = 0.2\%$)
- violation of resonance condition
- => use variable gap undulator (< 1% in K)

Current:

- profile created by cathode laser
- determines seeding power for next stage
- => dispersion tuning to adjust bunching

Emittance / Beam Size:

- depend on space charge effects in gun
- mismatch reduces coupling
- quadrupole doublets after each stage
- adjustment of the bunch part used in the next stage

Energy Spread:

- changes modulation depth
- dispersion tuning to adjust bunching

- ⇒ **S2E simulations necessary in HGHG cascades to predict local bunch parameters**
- ⇒ **big effect on the radiator output power**
- ⇒ **tunable hardware necessary to adjust to varying bunch properties**

2. Example: Tolerance Studies

BESSY LE-FEL:

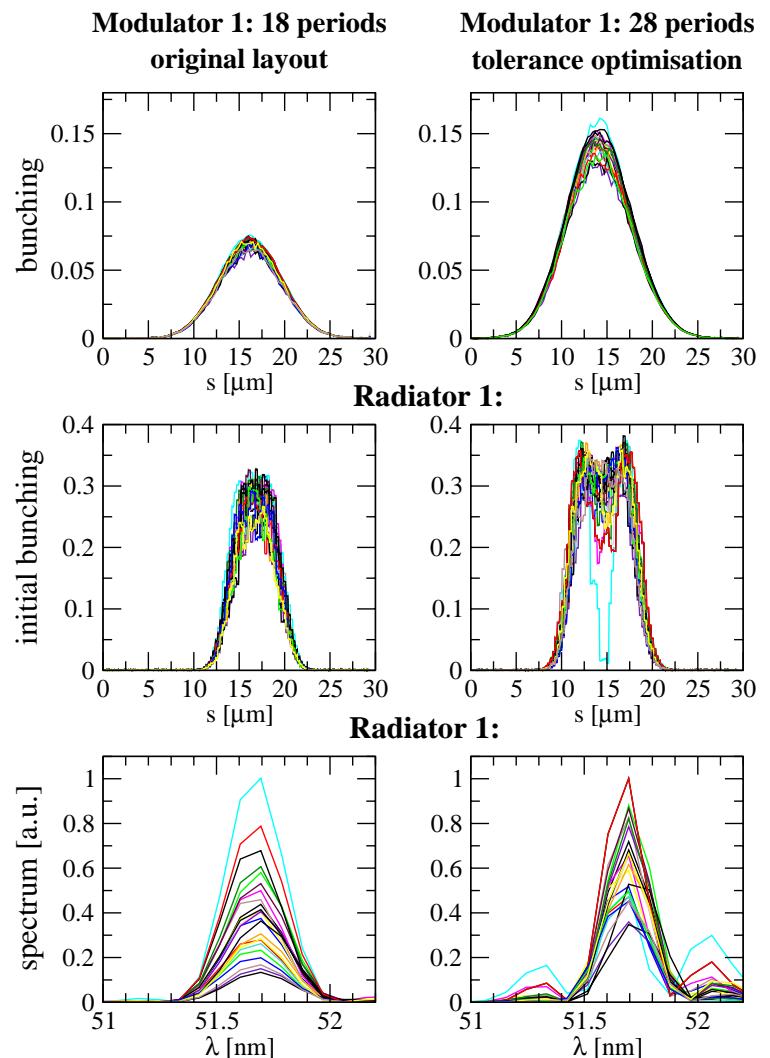
- only first stage
- 1.0 GeV, 2 KA
- 24 s2e bunches
- gun and linac errors

Layout for s2e bunch, no errors:

- 18 period modulator
- 8% bunching @ 258 nm
- ~30% bunching @ 51.5 nm
- spectral power max/min = 10

Modified Layout:

- 28 period modulator
- 15% bunching @ 258 nm
- 30% bunching @ 51.5 nm
- spectral power max/min = 3



- => Tolerance studies directly influence hardware layout
- => Longer devices to make up for reduced coupling of imperfect bunches to radiation

3. Example: Timing jitter – 75 fs rms in BESSY FEL

Seeding radiation will interact with different bunch parts

Energy chirp:

earlier arrival \Leftrightarrow

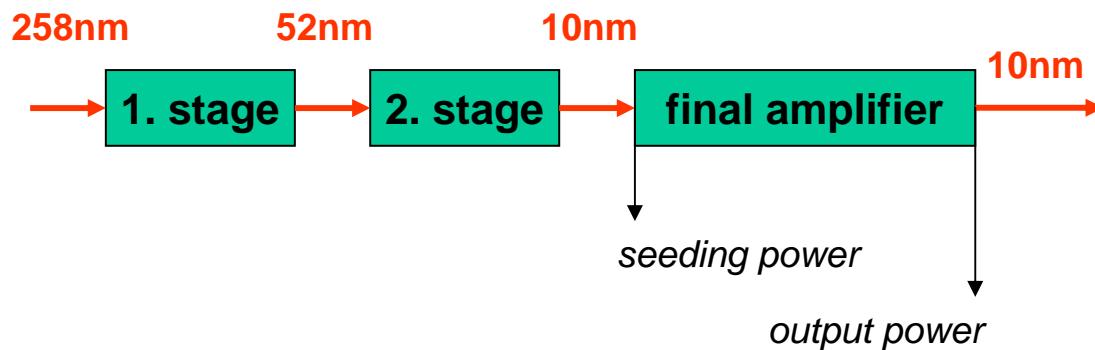
higher average energy \Leftrightarrow

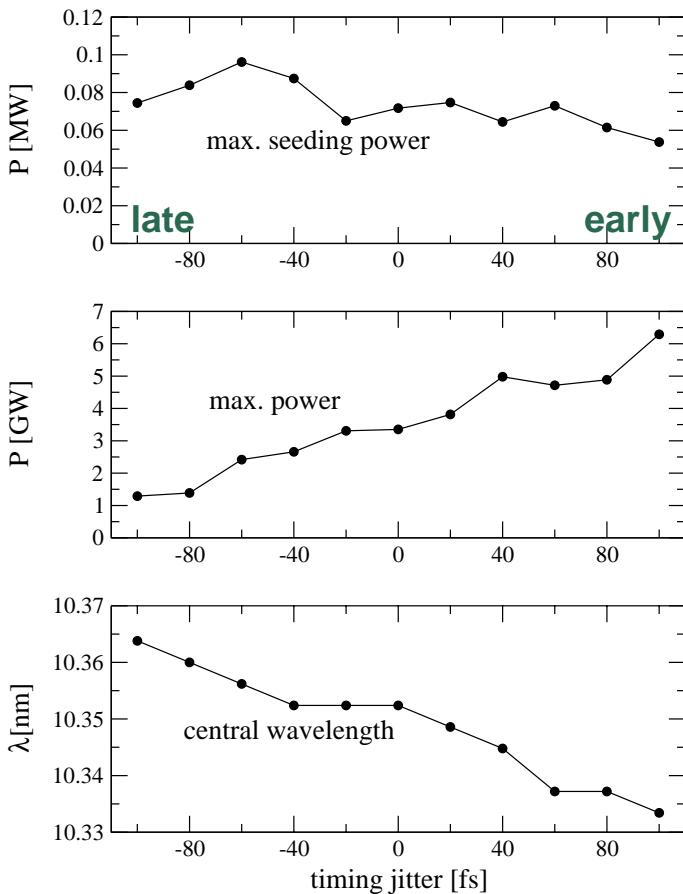
lower resonant wavelength

late arrival \Leftrightarrow

lower average energy \Leftrightarrow

higher resonant wavelength





Seeding power, output power and central wavelength of the final amplifier as a function of the arrival time

Final amplifier Bessy LE-FEL

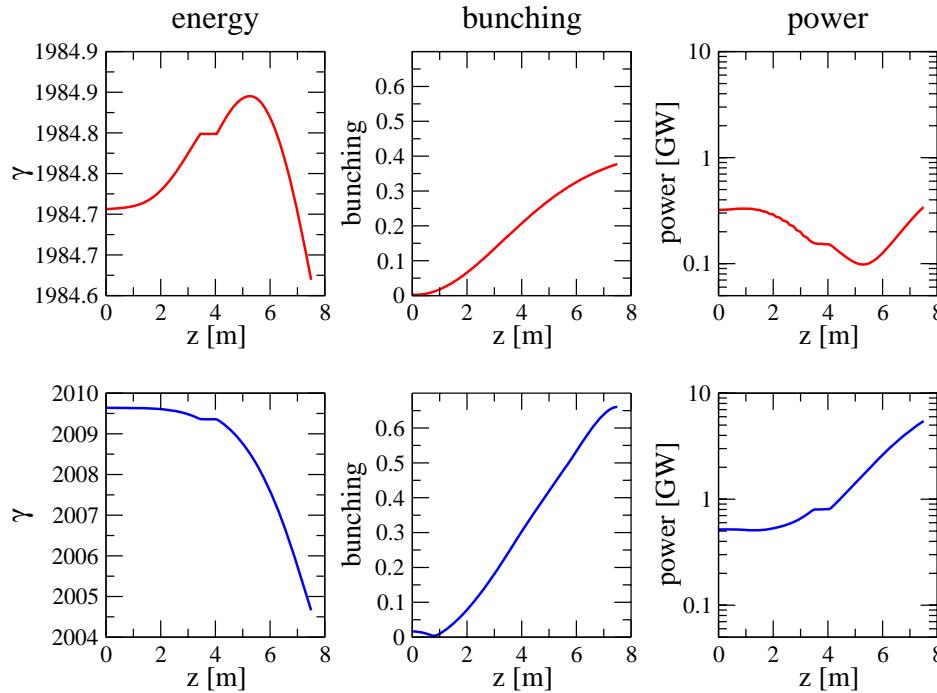
- S2E bunch (no errors)
- ontime seed
- simulate different arrival time
=> asymmetric behaviour

For earlier arrivals:

- seeding power decreases
- output power grows
- shorter central wavelength

Development of average slice parameters in the final amplifier

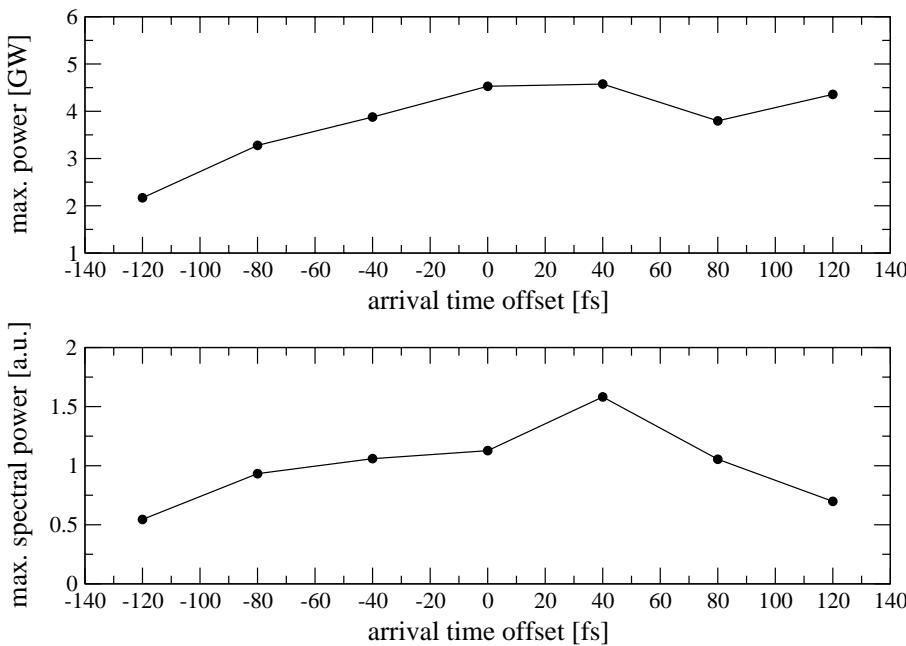
- identical slice position, **+140 fs** and **- 140 fs**
- different electron properties
- seeding radiation emitted by bunch part ahead



late arrival \Leftrightarrow
lower than resonant energy \Leftrightarrow
energy absorbtion \Leftrightarrow
lower output power

early arrival \Leftrightarrow
higher than resonant energy \Leftrightarrow
energy emission \Leftrightarrow
higher output power

- ⇒ Power variation due to timing jitter can be reduced
- ⇒ FA: higher than nominal energy profitable
- ⇒ equivalent to reducing the K-value



Conclusion:

