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Laser driven particle acceleration

collaborators



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Introduction

- Properties unique to laser acceleration
- Available resources and expertise
- Emergence of new technologies

The physics concept and experiment

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- The physics demonstration experiment

Current and future research

- The E163 experiment
- Accelerator structure investigations
- Multi-staged laser accelerator

Future scientific impact

- Candidate technology for a TeV scale collider
- Soft X-ray attosecond physics

The Livingston plot – 1954 Innovation leads to exponential progress



In 1954 Livingston noted that progress in high energy accelerators was exponential with time.

Progress was marked by saturation of the current technology followed by the adoption of innovative new approaches to particle acceleration.

Over the past two decades progress in Advanced Solid State Lasers has been driven by innovation. Laser sources coupled with related technologies enable new approaches to Advanced Electron Accelerators.











1 Energy gain through longitudinal electric field





Emergence of new technologies





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Available resources at Stanford/SLAC







Laser acceleration concept







The LEAP experiment

(Laser Electron Accelerator Project)









E-1631

Tomas Plettner and LEAP Accelerator Cell



The key was to operate the cell above damage threshold to generate Energy modulation in excess of the noise level.





PRL 95, 134801 (2005)

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

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Visible-Laser Acceleration of Relativistic Electrons in a Semi-Infinite Vacuum







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High-Harmonic Inverse-Free-Electron-Laser Interaction at 800 nm

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FIG. 2. Example data run with 1500 laser on events. The solid curve is the least squares fit to all data points and gives the mean interaction of 18 keV. The dashed curve is the maximum estimate and gives the peak interaction of 25 keV. The width of cross correlation is 2.2 ps rms.

Observation of harmonic interaction



FIG. 4. IFEL gap scan data, with 164 runs total. Comparison to simulation (solid line) shows very good agreement to the shape and spacing of resonance peaks. The harmonic numbers are given next to each peak. Simulation has been rescaled vertically by 0.67 to better visualize overlap.





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The E163 experiment at SLAC









Accomplished mile stones so far

- construction of the experiment hall
- installation of the E163 control room
- commissioning of the laser system
- installation and commissioning of the RF gun

Expected 1st experiment in spring 2006











Photonic bandgap fiber structures

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Photonic band gap fiber accelerator

2 and 3-D photonic bandgap structures

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Current experimental fiber accelerator structure research

Two-dimensional photonic crystal accelerator structures Benjamin M. Cowan*



Planar waveguide structures

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Energy efficiency of laser accelerators, single and multiple bunch operation

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Energy efficiency of laser driven, structure based accelerators

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Energy efficiency of an intracavity coupled, laser-driven linear accelerator pumped by an external laser

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Lasers and photonics

200 fsec Yb:fiber laser; S. Sinha*

comb offset detection with Ti:Sapph lasers; T. Plettner





Materials science



IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON NUCLEAR SCIENCE, DECEMBER 2002

Gamma Radiation Studies on Optical Materials

Eric Colby, Member, Gary Lum, Member, Tomas Plettner and James Spencer, Member, IEEE

0.8

0.6

0.4

0.2



Fig. 6. Comparison of spectra from 0.20-10 μ m for different forms of Se equivalent dose. Spectra were matched at 3.2 μ m.

 Wavelength [nm]

 200
 600
 1000
 1400
 1800
 2200
 2600
 3000

 g. 1.
 Transmissivity spectra through 1.1 cm thick plate glass after Cd⁶¹

Thick Glass Transmission

Fig. 1. Transmissivity spectra through 1.1 cm thick plate glass after $C\sigma^{50}$ γ -irradiation. Spectra are stacked according to their order in the insert.

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Envisioned laser-driven TeV-scale accelerator











Take advantage of ultra-low emittance laser-accelerator ebeam and new magnetic materials

compact attosec soft x-ray source with medical and chemistry applications



1m

The wizard of optics

Preliminary model studies

- 1st initial feasibility study with the 1D FEL model
- Attosec bunching of 1fC helps enhance the gain
- "low" 1 MHz rep. rate \rightarrow low avg. power
- Further more refined studies under way
- It deserves a closer look





1st proof-of-principle Vacuum based laser acceleration demonstration

Conducting R&D on dielectric based accelerator structures

Envision an approach to a TeV scale laser driven particle accelerator





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Backup slides





accelerator field wavelength	λ	2 μm
laser pulse repetition rate	f	1 GHz 10 ¹⁰ /sec
bunches per laser pulse "macro-pulse"	п	10
electrons / bunch	N	~6000 (1 fC)
accelerator beam diameter	σ	0.1 μm
beam diameter at IP focus	σ	0.1 Å
transverse geometric emittance	Е	10 ⁻¹¹ m-rad
β at IP	${eta}_0$	10 μm
approximate luminosity at IP L	$\approx \frac{n f N^2}{4 \pi \sigma_x \sigma_v}$	~10 ³⁴ /cm ² -sec









Soft X-ray attosecond physics - detail





















a) Setup for the reflected spot measurements



b) Reflected pulse intensity versus laser pulse duration



Laser Electron Accelerator Program Located in the Hansen Lab on Stanford Campus





(b)

The crossed-beam laser accelerator Cell and magnet for electron beam energy measurements. The view of the 30 MeV super-conducting linear accelerator in the underground tunnel on campus in the HEPL lab.