



## Polarization control in a SASE FEL with crossed-undulator

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Polarization control (from linear to circular and from left circular to right circular) is highly desirable in ultrafast magnetic phenomena and material science.

<u>X</u>-ray <u>Magnetic Circular Dichroism</u> (XMCD) Magnetization dependent absorption of circularly polarized light

**Polarization** Dependent Imaging with X-Rays

Stöhr *et al.*, Science **259**, 658 (1993)

X-Ray Magnetic Circular Dichroism

X-Ray Natural Linear Dichroism Ade and Hsiao., Science 262, 1427 (1993)



(From J. Stohr's lecture)

# How to control Polarization in FELs

#### Elliptical Polarization Undulators (EPUs) are routinely used

in spontaneous sources

1. mode: linear horizontal polarization

Linear: S1=1 Shift=0





Linear:  $S_1 = -1$  Shift= $\lambda/2$ 



2. mode: circular polarization

Circular: S<sub>3</sub>=1 Shift=λ/4



4. mode: linear polarization under various angle shift of magnetic rows antiparallel



#### But...

For x-ray FELs, undulator tolerance is very demanding.

Slow EPU mechanical movement pretends fast polarization switching

#### Crossed Planar Undulators





### **Crossed Planar Undulator**



Proposed by K-J. Kim







Y. Wu et al, PRL (2006)



#### **How about SASE FELs ?**



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many intensity spikes due to poor temporal coherence;

need to do a statistical analysis.



#### time

 $\tau_c = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g_1(\tau)|^2 d\tau$ 

First order time correlation function:

$$g_1(\tau) = \frac{|\langle E(t)E^*(t-\tau)\rangle|}{[\langle |E(t)|^2\rangle\langle |E(t-\tau)|^2\rangle]^{1/2}}$$
  
D linear regime :  $g_1(\tau) = e^{-\frac{\pi\tau^2}{2\tau_c^2}}$   $\tau_c =$ 



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(Y. Ding and Z. huang, PRSTAB 11, 030702 (2008))



#### Work in saturation regime?





After the main undulator, the electron bunch has to be separated with the radiation Ex using bending magnets but preserve the bunching. This is extremely difficult at the x-ray wavelength.

# Use Work in saturation regime at 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonics



Very weak on axis 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonics from Undulator-1;
Working in saturation regime, can combine with after-burner.



1.5 nm, 4.3 GeV, L1 = 21m (saturated), L2 = L3. 1D simulations. (H, Geng, Y. Ding and Z. huang, PAC09.)

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### LELS Extend to hard x-ray, for 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonics SLAC



1.5 Angstrom, 13.6 GeV, L1 = 52.5m(saturated), L2 = L3. 1D simulations.

3D simulations checked by H. Geng, the degree of polarization is almost same with 1D results, but power reduced due to emittance effects.

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- Arbitrarily polarized light from SASE FELs fundamental can be generated using crossed planar undulator
  - → polarization over 80% near SASE saturation;
- 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonics setup at saturation regime is more robust, and can be combined with after-burner scheme;
- Pulsed dipole magnets may be used for fast polarization switch, ~100Hz is possible.





# **THANKS !**