

Application of Lasers for Diagnostics of Negative Hydrogen Ion Beams

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SNS Accelerator Complex



Maximum Beam energy:1 GeVDuty factor:6%Rep. rate:60HzPulse width:1ms



Use of H- ions allows charge exchange injection

H- ions are accelerated in hadron RF Linac

- Time structure
 - Stream of identical bunches separated by T_{RF} , ~nsec
 - Possibly, temporal modulation is imposed on RF structure, with $T > T_{RF}$
- Typical bunch size is
 - ~mm , horizontal
 - ~mm, vertical
 - ~mm, longitudinal (tens of picosecond)
- Typical bunch population is
 - ~10⁹ particles



Beam Diagnostics Measure Parameters of Particles Distribution Inside Beam

- 0th order, bunch current or charge:
- 1st order, bunch center of mass position: x, y, z



Non-interceptive methods

- 2nd order, bunch 'profile': f(x),f(y),f(z)
- 3d order, bunch '2d-emittance': f(x, x'), f(y, y'), f(z, z')
- 4th order,



Need intra-beam probe

- interaction
- localization
- detection

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Probes for transverse profile beam measurement

- Solid material ('wire scanner')
 - Wire is damage by beam
 - Beam is damaged by wire
- Jets
 - Gas
 - Metal vapor
- Residual Gas
- Charged beam
- Laser
 - Interaction?







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H-Interaction with photon



Cross-section of one electron photo-detachment



 $H^- + \gamma = H^0 + e$

 $f_{\text{Beam Frame}} = \gamma (1 + \beta \cos(\alpha)) f_{\text{Lab Frame}}$

Principle of operation of a transverse "laser wire"



Layout of the SNS laser wire system



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SNS Laser wire hardware







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Laser Wire Measurement Output



on 1 MW neutron production beam

Physics Study - LW Sizes Measured/ Calculated



Longitudinal Laser Wire Principle of Operation



Time relations

Maximum signal when photons and ions overlap in time



No signal when photons and ions do not overlap



Scanning delay between photons and ions and measuring output electrons gives longitudinal ion bunch profile

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SNS 2.5MeV Longitudinal Profile Measurements



SNS Longitudinal Laser Wire Hardware











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Longitudinal profiles measured in two modes

Frequency offset



Phase Scan



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Schematic of emittance measuring system



SNS Laser Emittance Scan Layout



Horizontal x-x' distribution (intensity in log scale)



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X [mm]

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H- beam diagnostics using a laser comb



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Continuous development of light source with additional amplifier and pico-second pulsed seeder





Laser comb output





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Bunch shape and energy spread measurement



Beam energy calibration with lasers

- Feshbach resonance
 - Photo detachment to H0(n=2) +e-
- Hydrogen atom spectroscopy
 - Excitation between bound energy levels
 - Detection of level decay (luminescence)

Implementation challenges

- Laser beam delivery
 - Stability
 - Power density on vacuum windows
- Electron collection
- Measurement Dynamic Range



Laser pointing stability improvement



Laser power density on vacuum window is major design constraint <u>Cracks on the vacuum window</u>

Maximum optical fluence on vacuum windows

Light fluence on the vacuum window when aligned to CAM17







R&D Activity: Fiber Transmission of Picosecond Pulses



- Optical fiber transmission has advantages of stability, easy maintenance, and safety
- A 100-ft large mode area (LMA) fiber was used to transmit picosecond KW laser pulses
- Beam profiles and pulse width variation are studied as a function of launching optics, fiber length, and transmission power



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Space charge effect on electron collection at 2.5MeV







Simulated motion of stripped electrons in the collection system

Space charge at nominal current creates ~50% energy spread in addition to transverse deflection

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High Dynamic Range Limits



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