

Large Energy Depletion of a Beam Driver in a Plasma-Wakefield Accelerator

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- Model does not include incoming beam angles and approximates long. plasma density ramps

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- > Uncertainty from
 - > Remaining charge loss
 - Statistical error from reconstructed spectrum

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- > Next steps:
 - Improve depletion by optimizing bunch current [1, 2]
 - Combine all independent record-efficiencies experimentally
 - > 55% wall-plug-to-driver [3] · 50% driver-to-wake · 42% wake-to-trailing-bunch [4]
 - \rightarrow 12 % wall-plug-to-trailing-bunch efficiency

- [1] G. Loisch et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **121**, 064801 (2018)
- [2] R. Roussel et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **124**, 044802 (2020)
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Backup Slides

Charge loss is only dependent on the energy



Plasma-wakefield accelerators promise compactness

- > Accelerating gradient
 - State-of-the-art RF accelerators: 100 MV/m
 - > Plasma-Wakefield Accelerators: 10 GV/m
- > Construction costs can be greatly reduced
- > For high-power beam delivering accelerators:
 - > e.g., hard X-ray FELs and colliders
 - > Goal: Keep running costs low
 - > High total energy transfer efficiency needed



Fig. 1: Concept for a multi-stage PWFA Linear Collider. (<u>4 km</u>)

[1] ILC Technical Design Report (2013)[2] Pei *et al.*, Proc. PAC'09 **p.2682** (2009)

Spectrum reconstruction is required for accurate measurement





- Imaging energy scan required to reconstruct the 'true' energy spectrum of the beam to counteract charge loss due to under/overfocusing
- > Reconstruction only possible with high stability

There is still charge loss when reconstructing the spectrum





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Quasistatic check



Plasma density

- > Measured with an optical spectrometer averaging radially
 - We probably have higher density on axis
- > We adjust the density by moving the discharge in time



Plasma density



Sample images



What is the divergence of the beam?

> With
$$\beta_m = \beta^* = \frac{\sqrt{2\gamma}}{k_p}$$
 and $\epsilon_g = \frac{\epsilon_N}{\gamma}$ we can have
 $\sigma'^2_x = \frac{\epsilon_g}{\beta^*} = \frac{\epsilon_N}{\gamma} \frac{k_p}{\sqrt{2\gamma}}$

$$\int \sigma'_x = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_N(\gamma)k_p}{\sqrt{2\gamma^3}}}$$

> Decreasing energy \rightarrow larger divergence

Large emittance at low energies \rightarrow large divergence





Plasma density

> Our measurement with the optical spectrometer averages radially

- We probably have higher density on axis, by possibly 50%
- > Other diagnostics also hint to higher densities
- > We use the measured densities + 50%
 - Need to point out the large uncertainty in density

Measured simulation input parameters

> Beam

- Beam current measured at TDS scaled in charge
- Energy & energy spread at TDS
- Twiss parameters measured with 2-BPM tomography
- Incoming charge (BPM)
- > Plasma density
 - Flattop **density** from optical spectrometer
 - Long. density profile shape from previous experience



2 BPM-Tomography X-Plane: Beta function at waist: 32.98 mm. Waist location: 30.18 mm. Y-Plane: Beta function at waist: 53.11 mm. Waist location: -10.13 mm.



Charge loss in simulations

- > Hypothesis: Low energy electrons have large divergence and clip in transport
 - Charge loss is after plasma
 - Charge loss is predominantly at low energies





Spectra with and without clipping

NO MORE BACKUPS :)