# **Microbunching observations at LCLS**

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# Outline

LCLS commissioning highlight

DL1 & BC1 observations

BC2 observations

## Summary

#### **LCLS Installation and Commissioning Time-Line**



#### The LCLS Accelerator



- Energy: 4.3 to 14 GeV
- Charge: 20pC to 1nC. Typical operation is 250 pC
- Typical peak Current
  - Gun to 250 MeV: 30~40 A
  - After BC1: ~300 A
  - After BC2: ~2500 A

Most OTR screens after DL1 are compromised by strong coherent effects due to beam structures at optical wavelengths

Emittances after bends are measured with wire scanners



#### **Beam Appears Bright Enough for FEL Saturation at 0.15 nm**



Measured over long weekend with no tuning, 0.25 nC charge  $\gamma(\varepsilon_x \varepsilon_y)^{1/2} = 1.04 \ \mu m$  Calculation (using M. Xie's formulas) is based on measured end-of-linac *projected* emittance values, measured peak current, and design undulator parameters (assuming und. alignment and ≤0.01% rms slice energy spread – not yet measurable)

# **Microbunching Instability**

• Initial density modulation induces energy modulation through longitudinal impedance Z(k), converted to more density modulation by chicane. Space charge impedance is typically more at fault here than CSR (Borland *et. al.* 2001; Saldin *et. al.*, 2002;...)



#### Slice energy spread Longitudinal phase space at 135 MeV spectrometer



Laser heater (under installation) will be used to control slice energy spread (P. Emma's talk)

#### **Drive Laser Profile**

Bandwidth of Ti:Sapphire laser (760 nm) is 3 nm, After frequency tripling, UV BW 1 nm  $\rightarrow$  laser-induced beam modulation wavelength >~ 50  $\mu$ m



Smoothing the laser profile did not change microbunching observations qualitatively





W. White et. al.,

#### **No COTR observed before DL1**

#### OTR2 intensity vs. charge is linear



Incoherent radiation level  $\rightarrow$  initial density modulation at optical wavelengths come from shot noise fluctuations

# Unexpected Physics! Coherent OTR after 35-degree Bend, Even With No BC1



R. Akre, et al., PRST-AB 11, 030703 (2008)

# **OTR12 Spectrum**

- Diffraction grating installed in OTR12
- Gives low resolution spectrum from ~400nm to ~800nm

No COTR (QB = 11 kG, nonzero R51&R52 after DL1 suppress  $\mu$ -bunching) COTR (QB = 10.7 kG, DL1 is linear achromat and enhances  $\mu$ -bunching)



• Gain analysis and comparison with theory (D. Ratner's talk)



Due to compression, OTR12 "sees" longer initial modulation wavelengths, which require larger QB range to suppress  $\mu$ -bunching

Coherence is reduced when DL1 is near achromat: High-frequency energy modulations are amplified after DL1 but dissipated in BC1 (due to its stronger R56). This may increase effective energy spread and reduce longer-wavelength gain

#### **OTR11 suppresses COTR on OTR12**



• OTR11 foil generates random angular scattering in middle of BC1, which creates time smearing of microbunching after transporting to OTR12 outside BC1.

### **COTR after BC2 on OTR22**

Approximately true color images. Note longer wavelength of coherent signal





## **BC2 optics function**



• QM21 changes beam divergence at BC2 entrance, not much effect on transverse size there



• Varying pre-BC2 beam divergence (by QM21) changes sharpness of microbunching and sharpest location of microbunching in the second dipole

# Analysis

• Ignore further CSR amplification of microbunching in BC2 (BC2 gain is low <3, see *Heifets/Stupakov/Krinsky*, *PRST 2002;* also see *Huang/Kim*, *PRST 2002*)

Bunching evolution in a chicane is approximately

$$b_{0}[k(s);s] = b_{0}[k_{0};0]e^{-k^{2}(s)R_{56}^{2}(s)\sigma_{\delta}^{2}/2} \\ \times \exp\left[-\frac{k^{2}(s)\varepsilon_{0}\beta_{0}}{2}\left(R_{51}(s) - \frac{\alpha_{0}}{\beta_{0}}R_{52}(s)\right)^{2} - \frac{k^{2}(s)\varepsilon_{0}}{2\beta_{0}}R_{52}^{2}(s)\right]$$
(26)

Initial bunching (+energy modulation) Controlled by QM21 due to LSC instability in linac+DL1+BC1

#### **Optical bunching in the second dipole** 0.6 bunching ratio 5.0 QM21 = 27 kGQM21 = 34 kGounching ratio 0.4 $\mu$ -bunching suppressed 0.2 length of second dipole 10.6 10.6 10.8 10.8 11 11 s[m] s[m] 0.6 0.6 13 cm 10 cm: bunching ratio 5.0 ounching ratio 0.4 QM21 = 23 kGQM21 = 21 kG0.2 10.6 10.8 11 10.6 10.8 11 s[m] s[m]

## Effects on OTR21

 COTR+CSR intensity changes drastically with QM21 (QB-like effect)



 CSR is emitted near the bunching maximum in second dipole
→ separation of COTR and CSR on OTR21



### Shift of CSR from COTR

QM21 = 21 kG Calculated shift ~ 7 mm

QM21 = 23 kG Calculated shift ~ 5 mm

QM21 = 27 kG Calculated shift ~ 0 mm



# Summary

- A high-brightness beam such as generated by LCLS tends to microbunch itself in a bend system with nonzero R<sub>56</sub> (Shot noise can naturally start the process).
- Strong COTR and CSR emissions at optical wavelengths are clear evidences of beam microbunching.
- Studies are ongoing: some effects are understood, some details are still missing.
- Laser heater (to be commissioned soon) will mitigate microbunching and (hopefully) get rid of lots of COTR/CSR. We look forward to how it works out.

Thank Bill Fawley for putting together this workshop!

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