# High intensity attosecond electron and photon beams

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Fig. 4 | Comparison to state-of-the-art attosecond sources.

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#### J. Duris et al., Nature Photonics 14,30 (2020)

## Motivation - PWFA driven Attosecond X-rays (PAX)

- 50-100as pulses desirable for studying electron motion in molecules
- FEL pulse length limited by emittance  $\Delta t_{min} \propto \epsilon^{5/6}$
- XFELs currently limited to ~200as ~100GW

PWFA beams may offer path to shorter higher power pulses than XFELs





G. White "Highly compressed electron bunches for HEP Opportunities and challenges"

#### **Motivation - Attosecond beams for NpQED collider**

Physics Opportunities at a Lepton Collider in the Fully Nonperturbative QED Regime

07-09 August, 2019	https://conf.slac.stanford.edu/npqed-2019/
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Parameter	[Unit]	NPQED Collider	LCLS	PAX
Beam energy Bunch charge Peak current Energy spread (rms)	[GeV] [nC] [kA] [%]	125 0.14–1.4 1700 0.1	10 0.01-0.1 1-5 0.01	1-5+ >0.1 ~1000 1
Bunch length	[µm]	0.01–0.1	1-100	0.005
Bunch size (rms)	[µm]	0.01 0.01	10 10	3 3

[1] V. Yakimenko et al. **On the Prospect of Studying Nonperturbative QED with Beam-Beam Collisions**, Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 190404 (2019)

•Small intense e+/e- bunches required for high luminosity

- •Large field of opposite bunch results in strong acceleration producing synchrotron radiation ("beamstrahlung")
- What if the bunch length was made small enough to "switch off" beamstrahlung?

# PWFA beams may offer opportunity to study MA-compression relevant for short-bunch colliders

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## **PWFA-driven Attosecond X-ray (PAX) source**

- PAX uses a pre-bunched nmlong MA e-beam instead of startup from noise to generate X-rays
- Pre-bunched beam means scheme is less sensitive to:
- (1) Emittance in undulator (5x)
- (2) Slice energy spread in undulator (10x)
- (3) Pointing jitter going into undulator (10x)
- Drive beam may be separated in chicane with transverse collimation



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# PAX in context of state-of-the art LWFA-FEL schemes



X. Xu, et al., PRAB 20, 111303 (2017) X. Xu, FACET-II Science Workshop 2019

#### **PWFA Stage beam dynamics - injection**





	E <sub>d</sub> [GeV]	l [kA]	σ <sub>r</sub> [um]	σ <sub>z</sub> [um]	ε <sub>n</sub> [um]	Q [nC]	
Driver beam	2	34 (/=4)	2.7	5.3	5.3	1.5	
	n <sub>p,h</sub> [cm <sup>-3</sup> ]	n <sub>p0</sub> [cm <sup>-3</sup> ]	L <sub>ramp</sub> [r	nm] L	<sub>acc</sub> [mm]	Initial T [eV]	Skin Depth

#### **PWFA Stage beam dynamics - acceleration**



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- After plasma chicane will compress beam to a bunch length  $\sigma_{z,f}^2 = (1 + hR_{56})^2 \sigma_{z,i}^2 + R_{5,6}^2 \sigma_{\delta,i}^2$
- Relative chirp tends to asymptotic value h =  $E_z/E_z \approx \alpha \omega_p$  = -3.6%/um
- R<sub>56</sub> needed for full compression = |1/h| = 28 um
- Shortest  $\sigma_{\!z}$  limited by slice energy spread  $\sigma_{\!z,min}=R_{56}\sigma_{\!\delta}=\sigma_{\!\delta}/h$  ~ 5 nm
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#### Beam dynamics from plasma to undulator

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## **CSR** in bunch compressor

- CSR causes different energy loss along bunch and spread in angles (emittance) as beam bends in final dipole.
- We model effect in ELEGANT which assumes 1D model. This is valid provided D =  $\sigma_x / \sigma_z^{1/3} R_{hend} < 1$ , where  $R_{bend} \approx L_{bend} / \theta_{bend}$ (D = 0.27 for our parameters).
- CSR effect is reduced by reducing the spot-size in final dipole & increasing the bend radius.
- Relative kick <20 urad coming out of chicane</li>
- With pre-bunched into undulator emittance of ~2 um is sufficient for lasing @ 2.5 nm (see next slides)



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#### Performance of scheme in simulation

**Radiation output** 



Tunable 20-100 as pulses with 1-5 TW peak power

#### Compared to XFEL >10x looser tolerance to transverse jitter >2x looser tolerance to emittance 100x larger RMS energy spread tolerable ~10x smaller pulse energy fluctuations

#### **Transverse Tolerance**

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#### **Space Charge effects for MA-beams**

- LSC field  $E_z = \frac{Z_0 I'(s)}{4\pi\gamma_z} \left[ 2\log\left(\frac{\gamma_z \sigma_z}{r_b}\right) \right]$ Chirp-taper  $\frac{K}{1+K^2} \frac{dK_u}{dz} \lambda_w = \frac{d\gamma}{ds} \lambda_r$ 
  - MA beam will develop large chirp 100s of MeV over 1m of undulator due to LSC field.
  - Chirp can be compensated by taper and can further reduce the pulse length below length of the spike.





Y. Ding et al., PRSTAB 12, 060703 (2009)

J. Duris, et al., Nature Photonics 14, 30–36(2020)

P. Baxevanis, et al., PRSTAB 21, 110702 (2018)

#### What can we do at FACET-II?

10-GeV 10-300 kA drive beam at FACET-II will enable study of chirped multi-GeV high brightness beams.

Multiple approved experiments will need similar plasma sources:

- E-301: Tailored Plasma Source for emittance preservation.
- E-304: Density Downramp Injection
- E-310: Trojan horse 2
  => We can learn a lot from success of these experiments.
- Proposal for dedicated beam time to study aspulse generation to be submitted to PAC in fall.







- We are studying the generation of high intensity attosecond electron and photon beams using strong chirped e-beams generated in PWFAs.
- The PAX source combines the benefits of HHG and XFELs opening up new experimental opportunities in field of attosecond science
- Extreme compression of electron beams to MA current of interest to collider applications may be achieved while preserving um level emittance and %-level energy spread.
- Synergies between BES and HEP applications good opportunity for cross-cutting in line with DOE office for accelerator science R&D
- Looking forward:
  - Scaling of method to higher e- and photon energy and preservation of sub-um emittance.
  - Study drive beam separation (important for collider & light source applications).
  - Plan for experimental demonstration of extreme chirping/compression (FACET-II).