# Emittance measurements of the electron beam at PITZ for the commissioning phase of the European XFEL.

- PITZ gun and laser operated at E-XFEL conditions
- Simulations with realistic laser transverse shape
- Emittance for E-XFEL conditions
- Emittance for various beam charges
- Summary and outlook

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# PITZ: Photo Injector Test facility at DESY, Zeuthen site

- PITZ Photo Injector Test Facility a
- Test bed for the FLASH and the European XFEL injectors, currently focused on:
  - Solution of the remaining problems of the RF gun for XFEL (RF windows, RF spring, stability and long term reliability)
  - Conditioning and operation of the gun cavities
  - Characterization of the gun cavities, e.g. in terms of emittance of electron beam





# Gun and laser setup corresponding to E-XFEL commissioning parameters



Parameter	XFEL injector, nominal	XFEL injector, startup
RF gun gradient (peak power)	E <sub>cath</sub> =60MV/m (6.4MW)	E <sub>cath</sub> =5053MV/m (4.55.0MW)
RF pulse length	650us	650us
Repetition rate	10Hz	10Hz
RF gun phase stability (rms)	0.01deg	
RF gun amplitude stability (rms)	0.01%	
Cathode laser	Flattop (2/20\2ps)	Gaussian (~13ps FWHM)
Beam emittance (bunch charge)	< 0.9 mm mrad (1nC)	≤1 mm mrad (500pC)

Gun setup:

- 640 us RF pulse length
- 53 MV/m on-axis peak field on the cathode → P<sub>z</sub> ~ 6.1 MeV/c
  Laser setup:
- Gaussian longitudinal pulse shape with FWHM of about 12 ps
- Quasi-uniform transverse profile



#### **Emittance measurements setup**





- Emittance vs. charge
  - Emittance vs. laser spot size
  - Emittance vs. gun phase
    - Emittance vs. main solenoid current





correction factor ( >1 ) introduced to correct
 for low intensity losses from beamlet
 measurements => conservative estimation

#### 100% RMS emittance



# Beam dynamics simulations with realistic transverse laser shape



#### Measured laser transverse profile



#### Uniform laser profile for simulations until now



New approach: core + halo generation for simulations



- Better modeling but keeping 2D symmetry as required by simulation tool
- Directly plug in measured transverse profile into simulations



### Emittance measurements for 500 pC, 12 ps Gaussian temporal laser profile, 53 MV/m gun gradient

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### **European XFEL commissioning phase requirement on** emittance is fulfilled.



# Emittance measurements for 500 pC, 12 ps Gaussian temporal laser profile, 53 MV/m gun gradient



#### \*MMMG – Maximum Mean Momentum Gain



#### **Emittance for different charges**





Emittance measurements in 2011 were performed for the gun on-axis peak field of 60 MV/m (53MV/m in 2015) and flat-top laser pulse shape with FWHM of 21.5 ps (Gaussian with 11-12 ps FWHM in 2015)





- European XFEL commissioning phase requirement on emittance is fulfilled
- Emittance for electron beam charges of 100, 250, 500 and 1 nC, gun operated at 53 MV/m on-axis peak field and Gaussian laser temporal profile with FWHM of 11-12 ps was measured.
- Beam dynamics simulations with improved modeling of the transverse laser distribution were performed and yield to better agreement between the simulated and measured data not only in terms of minimum achievable emittance but also in terms of obtained machine parameters.
- On the way to further improvement of the electron beam quality for FELs, PITZ is performing the commissioning of a state-of-art photocathode laser system which will be able to generate 3D-ellipsoidal laser pulses.

	Emittance in 2015		Emittance in 2011	
Charge, nC	Emittance, um	Error, um	Emittance, um	Error, um
2			1.251	0.06
1	1.139	0.07	0.661	0.05
0.25	0.797	0.03	0.328	0.01
0.1	0.603	0.01	0.212	0.01
0.02	0.448	0.01	0.121	0.01





### Thank you for attention!

- H. Huck "First Results of Commissioning of the PITZ Transverse Deflecting Structure" MOP039
- P. Boonpornprasert "Numerical Simulations of a Sub-THz Coherent Transition Radiation Source at PITZ" MOP033
- J. Good
- M. Bakr "Beam Dynamics Simulation for the Upgraded PITZ Photo Injector Applying various Photocathode Laser Pulse Shapes" TUP065



#### **PITZ gun setup**







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### Beam dynamics simulations with realistic transverse laser shape





#### Real laser transverse profile

### Generated laser profile with fit parameters for simulations





### Emittance measurements for 500 pC, 12 ps Gaussian temporal laser profile, 53 MV/m gun gradient





### Emittance measurements for 1 nC, 12 ps Gaussian temporal laser profile, 53 MV/m gun gradient





### Emittance measurements for 250 pC, 12 ps Gaussian temporal laser profile, 53 MV/m gun gradient



