



Project Review: Status of AWAKE Project Joshua Moody **AWAKE Group** moody@mpp.mpg.de







What is AWAKE?

- AWAKE stands for Advanced WAKefield Experiment.
- 400 GeV proton beam drives wakefields in a 10 meter plasma through a self modulation instability
- The wakefields accelerate electrons from 16 MeV to 2 GeV

Experiment organized into three phases:

- Phase I: Demonstration of self-modulation instability
- Phase II: Electron acceleration over 10 m
- Phase III: Electron acceleration over long distances (yet to be approved)









Why Advanced Accelerators?

- Traditional RF (cm) scale accelerators
 - Accelerating gradient limited to 50-100 MeV/m (state of the art limit) due to breakdown of the walls
 - High energy accelerators must be larger and therefore costly
- Advanced Accelerators:
 - High Gradients
 - Shorter distance for same energy
 - Can have lower costs for higher energy designs
- Traditional accelerator and collider designs will become prohibitively costly at higher energies



SLAC Accelerating Section (TW)



50 GeV electrons in 3.2km 16 MeV/m gradient



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AWAKE at CERN





10 m Rb vapor source

Diagnostics:

- OTR/CTR proton beam diagnostics
- Electron Spectrometer



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What is Plasma Wakefield Acceleration?

- Fields from the relativistic charged particle beam drives wakefields in the plasma
- Electrons can be trapped within the wakefield's accelerating and focusing phase and produce a high quality electron beam in a short distance





FIG. 1. Geometry of the problem (not to scale). The beams are shown at two times.

Plasma requirements:

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Laser ionization provides seeding for the SMI







Using Protons

Parameter & notation	Value
Plasma density, n_e	$7 imes10^{14}\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$
Plasma ion-to-electron mass ratio (rubidium), M_i	157 000
Proton bunch population, N_b	$3 imes 10^{11}$
Proton bunch length, σ_z	12 cm
Proton bunch radius, σ_r	0.02 cm
Proton energy, W_b	400 GeV
Proton bunch relative energy spread, $\delta W_b/W_b$	0.35%
Proton bunch normalized emittance, ϵ_{bn}	3.5 mm mrad
Electron bunch population, N_e	$1.25 imes 10^9$
Electron bunch length, σ_{ze}	0.25 cm
Electron bunch radius at injection point, σ_{re}	0.02 cm
Electron energy, W_e	16 MeV
Electron bunch normalized emittance, ϵ_{en}	2 mm mrad
Injection angle for electron beam, ϕ	9 mrad
Injection delay relative to the laser pulse, ξ_0	13.6 cm
Intersection of beam trajectories, z_0	3.9 m



Fig. 5: Distribution of the beams at (a) the entrance to the plasma, (b) after propagating 4 m in the plasma, and at (c) the exit from the plasma cell. Protons are blue, electrons are red and the laser pulse is the line at z - ct = 0. The laser pulse seeds the SMI for the proton bunch.

- Protons can potentially propagate through long plasmas without reaching depletion
- With a plasma wavelength of ~1mm, and a proton beam ~12cm, we rely on the self modulation instability to drive the wakefields







Contributions of the Institute

- Vapor Source
 - Vapor source: Provides uniform Rb vapor
 - Rb Vapor Diagnostic
- TW Power Laser:
 - Ionizes Rb to make plasma and seeds self modulation,
 - Seed for photocathode drive to make electron beam in phase II
 - Ablation Studies for Beam Dump
- Diagnostics
 - OTR: Streak camera to determine proton modulation
 - CTR: Coherent transition radiation to determine proton modulation
 - Shadowgraphy (Transverse plasma diagnostic for ends)
- Material Support
 - Design and Fabrication
 - Financial





10 m long, 4 cm diameter

Plasma formed by field ionization of Rb

Ionization potential $\Phi_{\rm Rb}$ = 4.177eV

above intensity threshold ($I_{ioniz} = 1.7 \times 10^{12} W/cm^2$)

Plasma Source

(2) 10m heat exchangers @ CERN

A WAKE







People Involved:

- P. Muggli
- E. Oz

Rb vapor density (cm⁻³)

120

F. Batsch





Fig. 1. Rubidium vapor density (blue line) and vapor pressure (green dashed line) as a function of temperature. Region between 1×10^{14} cm⁻³ and 1×10^{15} cm⁻³, and the corresponding temperature show the parameter range of interest for the PDPWFA. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure caption, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

Rubidium: ⁸⁵Rb(72%)+⁸⁷Rb(28%) φ_i=4.22eV

Rb vapor with imposed temperature (150-220°C)

 I_{thresh} ~1.7x10¹² Wcm⁻² T_{melt} =39°C

Laser pulse ionized (100fs, ~100mJ, w=1mm)

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Rb Vapor Density Measurements





Measured AWAKE density range (10¹⁴ < n_{e0} < 10¹⁵ cm⁻³) in the expected temperature range (180-200°C), Bachelor Thesis, F. Batch, TUM, 2014



Diagnostic to be implemented in AWAKE (Master Thesis ...)



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Laser Beam	
Laser type	Fiber Ti:Sapphire
Pulse wavelength	λ_0 = 780 nm
Pulse length	100-120 fs
Pulse energy (after compr.)	450 mJ
Laser power	4.5 TW
Focused laser size	$\sigma_{x,y}$ = 1 mm
Rayleigh length Z _R	3 m
Energy stability	±1.5% r.m.s.

Laser installed & operating at MPP since fall 2014. Will move to CERN early 2016.



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TW LASER at the Institute







100uJ Pulse No Rb

10mJ Pulse Power with Rb

SHG Intensity AutoCorrelator LANCK-GESELLSCHAFT J. Moody, Project Review 14/12/2015



LASER at the Institute:



Laser Propagation



At Intensities much less than ionization:

- Differential index across BW of laser ~10⁻⁴
- Laser pulse is stretched on cm scale



At Intensities **above** ionization:

- Leading edge of the pulse ionizes or saturates the transition
- Most of the pulse travels through plasma, samples plasma dispersion, which has a differential index on the scale of 10⁻⁸

Pulse stretching will lower peak intensity, causing drop below ionization threshold BUT for intensities at AWAKE (>2 TW/cm²): We expect little pulse stretching of most of pulse



Measurement with 25 cm Rb in Heatpipe Oven



Laser Intensity through plasma ~100 MW/cm²

Large scale broadening observed: from 100 fs to > 800 fs.



20 50 18 100 16 150 14 200 250 spatial (arb) 300 spatial (arb) 350 spatial (arb) 12 100 fs 10 400 450 500 550 1000 -1500 -1000 -500 500 1500 0 time (fs)

Laser Intensity through plasma ~1 TW/cm²

NO PULSE BROADENING OBSERVED!!! "PURPLE LIGHT" OBSERVED OUT OF BLEED PORT



Autocorrelation image with focusing

Spot size is set by aperture

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LASER at the Institute: Ablation Study for Laser Dump









Laser Ablation Foil at MPP

- Laser Dump protects proton diagnostic screen from laser damage.
- Dump is a foil on a translation stage that is moved before breakthrough
- Foil should be thin to minimize radiation and thick enough such that we won't have to change the foil in a run period (two weeks)
- AWAKE fluence used to impact foils of different materials and thicknesses and the number of shots
 MAX-PLANCE-CESELLSCHAFT measured at MPP Laser lab.





Will work single shot

Max-Planck-Institut für Physik Measure radiation emitted by the bunch when traversing a dielectric interface

Optical Transition Radiation \rightarrow streak-camera

Coherent Transition Radiation \rightarrow variety of techniques under evaluation



Simulated 100 GHz OTR signal in lab @

MPP











Summary

AWAKE is a plasma wakefield acceleration experiment at CERN.

<u>MPP Contributions</u> Vapor Source and density diagnostics Ionization / electron photocathode Laser Phase I proton modulation diagnostics

Schedule

Laser will move from MPP to CERN in second week of January Installation of Diagnostics will occur in January / Februrary Phase I experiment will begin in Q4 of 2016

Watch for first experimental SMI results in Q4 2016!!!







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