

Laser and Interface with the ID24 Beamline (HPLF-I)

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HIGH POWER LASER FACILITY AT ESRF

HPLF-I (2018) : installation of a ~100-200J laser at beamline ID24, user operation of HPLF-I should start before the shutdown (2018).





HPLF-II (2022):

extension of the facility to offer additional X-ray diagnostics: XRD, XRI, XES as part of the Extremely Brilliant Source (EBS) upgrade. An upgrade of the laser power, to > 300 J, is also envisaged.

PROJECT HISTORY





Proposal and planning of first laser shock experiment using XAS on Fe



May 2014 First laser shock experiment at ID24 on Fe

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LASER PARAMETERS: CRUCIAL POINTS

Because of the experimental requirements (coupling to x-rays techniques) some aspects are crucial:

- Good shot-to-shot stability for energy and pointing direction
- Flat and reproducible spatial profile
- Reproducible top-hat or/and adjustable temporal profile
- Synchronization with the ESRF radio frequency (RF) signal with a very low jitter

LASER PARAMETERS

→ 5-10 Mbar in shock

- 100 -200 J max at 1053 nm (specified for a top hat pulse of 4-6 ns)
- possibility to convert to 2ω using LBO crystals → avoid hot e⁻
 energy @ 2 ω: 70 J -140 J max at 526.5 nm
- tunable energy 0-E_{max}
- repetition rate: 1 shot/min to 1 shot/10min at full power
- super Gaussian spatial profile
- pulse shaping , variable 4-15 ns —> limit T
- shot-to-shot jitter < 50 ps</p>
- upgradable to higher energy: 300J



LASER SPATIAL PROFILE

- Circular beam top-hat shape.
- Beam diameter laser fluence <<damage threshold propagation of 12 m
- Wave front (static) deformation
 <λ peak-to-peak and λ/5 rms over the predefined diameter
- Super Gaussian profile with N=8-10, with 90 % of the energy in the pre- defined diameter
- Intensity modulations:
 5 % rms and 15 % peak-to-peak for spatial frequencies >1 mm⁻¹
 10 % rms for spatial frequencies <1 mm⁻¹ (low frequency)
- Residual divergence < 0.5 mrad
- Pointing stability < 25 µrad.



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Ablation surface

LASER TEMPORAL PROFILE

- top-hat profile 4 and 15 ns ± 0.25 ns FWHM, adjustable with at least 0.5 ns step.
- The rising edge < 0.25 ns no pre-edge features contrast > 10⁵



- Temporal modulations
 5 % rms and 15 % peak-to-peak for high frequency > 1 GHz (y)
 3 % rms for low frequency <1 GHz
- shot-to-shot jitter < 50 ps.
- 2ω LBO crystal must be optimized for 6 ns top-hat
- pulse shaping: possibly t³ followed by plateau



STABILITY, DIAGNOSTICS AND ALIGNMENT

- shot-to-shot E stability <2% rms for 95% of the shots over 250 pulses at max E
- spatial profile and temporal profile reproducibility <2% rms for 95 % of the shots over 250 pulses at max E



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INFRASTRUCTURE: ID24 BEAMLINE



integration time150 ns Page 10 1 scan every 2.8 μs





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OPTION 1



OPTION 2





SAMPLE CHAMBER AND TARGETS



A specific vacuum chambers has to be designed to host:

- multiple targets on a motorized stage,
- two optical cameras to visualize the sample from both size,
- opening windows and proper optics for the VISAR and SOP diagnostics
- opening windows for the x-ray

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SHOCK DIAGNOSTICS

VISAR system (Velocity Interferometer System for Any Reflector) for the determination of shock velocities and pressure









SOP system (Streaked-Optical-Pyrometry) for temperature measurements.





D. Kraus talk



SAMPLE ENVIRONMENT GEOMETRY





Technical Design Report due by 30th September 2017

- 1. choose laser cabin location and design the propagation chicane
- 2. design a new target chamber
- 3. start the design of VISAR and SOP diagnostics
- 4. prepare first experiment in 2018

Thank you for your attention and feedback

