

Status of the KIT test facilities KARA & FLUTE

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FLUTE: Accelerator Test Facility at KIT

FLUTE (Ferninfrarot Linac- Und Test-Experiment)

- Test facility for accelerator physics within ARD
- Experiments with THz radiation

R&D topics

- Serve as a test bench for new beam diagnostic methods and tools
- Systematic bunch compression and THz generation studies
- Develop single shot fs diagnostics
- Synchronization on a femtosecond level



Final electron energy	~ 41	MeV
Electron bunch charge	0.001 - 3	nC
Electron bunch length	1 - 300	fs
Pulse repetition rate	10	Hz
THz E-Field strength	up to 1.2	GV/m

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FLUTE Status

- Full operation permission
- Gun operation
 - Ramped gun power up to 18 MW (100 MV/m) and repetition rate to 5 Hz
 - Dark current decreased by a factor 2
 - Additional feedback loop to compensate temperature fluctuations
- RF conditioning of the linac finished, preparing installation
- Stabilized the jitter down to 120 fs
- Full characterization of the bunch-compressor dipoles
- Assembly of bunch compressor in preparation

M.-D. Noll, Master thesis, https://publikationen.bibliothek.kit.edu/1000135903



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Institute for Beam Physics and Technology (IBPT)

Courtesy: T. Schmelzer

J. Schäfer et al., DOI: 10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-MOPAB280 S. Schmelzer et al., DOI: 10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-WEPAB103

- Simulation
 - Matching simulation, machine settings and measurements

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horizontal position in mm

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vertical position in mm

FLUTE Simulation and Beam Characterisation

- Prediction of optimal machine settings for split ring resonator experiment
- Beam characterisation
 - First Energy and Spread measurements
 - First Emittance measurements







Karlsruhe Research Accelerator (KARA)



KIT synchrotron light-source & accelerator test facility

Key parameters

- Circumference: 110.4 m
- Energy range: 0.5 2.5 GeV
- RF frequency: 500 MHz
- Revolution frequency: 2.715 MHz
- Beam current up to 200 mA
- RMS bunch length:
 - 45 ps (for 2.5 GeV)
 - down to a few ps (for 1.3 GeV)



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KARA Operation Issues 2021



No major failure up to now in 2021

- Issues with Sigma Phi power supplies used at the SC Wigglers
 - 5 out of 10 units failed in the past year
 - JEMA took over Sigma Phi power supplies
 - New units have a delivery time of 52 weeks
- Increase in the failure rate of Delta Electronica power supplies
- Some issues with magnet water flow established monitoring with IR camera
- First issue with a pressure gauge power supply during operation



Courtesy: S. Pfeifer

General KARA Operation Status

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No downtime due to COVID19 – delivered 2020 326 Ah @ 2.5GeV (30% more than 2019)
New virtualisation cluster dedicated for controls within the model.
Implement of the formula of

Distance m





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Booster Bunch by Bunch Feedback System

- Commissioned System with D. Teytelman Nov. 2021
- Established active feedback
- Cleaning of individual buckets
- Tune measurement on the ramp now possible



Courtesy: E. Blomley

Renew of all Kicker and Septum Power Supplies

Contract to replace

- All the control units new ones have a safety PLC
- All power supplies FUG HCK/HCE Series
- Pulser circuits for booster septa and injection kicker
- Control system integration (EPICS/CSS)
- Installation delayed by 6 month due to COVID19
- Serious issues during commissioning in April/May 2021
 - Several bugs in the PLC code caused a delay of one week during the start up
 - FUG HCK 200-350 MOD
 - Fuses blown / trip → too high start up current
 - FUG implemented a current choke on these units, since then no issue anymore
 - Short circuit in the storage ring septum due to wrong operation settings
- Since a service visit end of October most of open minor issues are solved







Replacement of the Main Power Supplies

- Replacement planned of
 - Booster bend, quadrupole PS
 - Storage ring bend and 3x sextupole PS (split 2 families into 3)
- Contract was placed end of 2020
- TDR approval 2021-08
- FAT shifted from Q3 2021 to Q1 in 2022 due to COVID19
- Installation planned 2022:
 - April: storage ring bend and sextupole
 - June / July: booster bend and quadrupole
- Next project: Replacement of storage ring quadrupole power supplies

Longitudinal Beam Dynamics Micro-bunching Instability - Measurements

M. Brosi: Overview of the Micro-bunching Instability in Electron Storage Rings and Evolving Diagnostics, Invited IPAC21 Contribution DOI: 10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-THXA02

Influence of different beam energies on the Micro-bunching instability





Helmholtz Doctoral Prize M. Brosi

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6TUFDovtBws

Effect of negative momentum compaction operation on the currentdependent bunch length





Excitation of Micro-bunching in short electron bunches using RF amplitude modulation



T. Boltz et al., DOI: 10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-WEPAB233

Increasing the single-bunch instability threshold by bunch splitting due to RF phase modulation



J.L. Steinmann et al., DOI: 10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-WEPAB240



S. Maier et al., DOI: 10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-TUPAB251

Controlling of microbunching instability for short bunches and intense THz radiation

Designing of a chamber with vertically moveable plates

Impedance Manipulation Chamber

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MU 4033/4-1

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Diagnostics @ IBPT



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Far-field

- Experiment under commission, current status: off-line demonstrator tests
- Measuring the complete THz pulse in single-shot



Near-field:

- Resollving electron bunch profile in every turn @ 2.7 MHz
- Capable of uninterrupted data acquisition for up to several millions of turns



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C. Widmann et al., DOI: 10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-MOPAB294

Phase space tomography

- Complete phase space image reconstructed from time interval of 61 µs
- "Random morphing" between independent measurement



S. Funkner et al. arXiv preprint, arXiv:1912.01323.

Machine Learning Activities



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