High-power EUV Light Source Based on Steady-state Microbunching Mechanism

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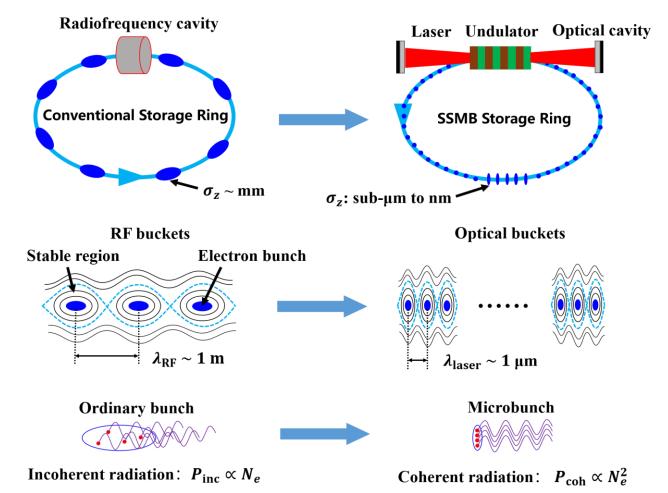
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Steady-state Microbunching (SSMB)^[1]: electron storage ring from radiofrequency-focusing to laser-focusing

- Replace the conventional RF cavity in an electron storage ring by laser modulator.
- Two key ingredients:
 - microbunching for high peak power temporally coherent radiation
 - steady state for high repetition rate.
- Two features combined to support a high-average-power, highrepetition-rate or continuous-wave and narrow-band radiation, at wavelengths ranging from the THz region to the EUV.

Six orders of magnitude extrapolation



[1] D. F. Ratner and A. W. Chao, Steady-State Microbunching in a Storage Ring for Generating Coherent Radiation, ² Phys. Rev. Lett. 105, 154801 (2010).

SSMB EUV Source for Lithography

- **High average power**: the power aimed is > 1 kW per tool, each facility should be able to incorporate multiple tools;
- Narrow-banded and collimated: the radiation spectrum bandwidth is < 2% and has a well collimated angular spread < 0.1 mrad, which should help to reduce the number of reflection mirrors and thus increase the EUV power transport efficiency;
- Continuous wave output: the temporal structure of the radiation is truly CW, this minimizes the chip damage problem;
- Clean radiation: the radiation is clean and carries no debris, so that mirrors do not get contaminated and do not require frequent replacements;
- Good scalability: $\lambda_r = \frac{(1+K^2/2)}{2\gamma^2} \lambda_u$, easy to scale to shorter wavelength. Offer possibility for the EUVL Extension Blue-X.

SSMB Collaboration

- An initial task force has been established at Tsinghua University, in collaboration with researchers from China, Germany, the USA, and elsewhere, to promote SSMB research with the goal of developing an EUV SSMB storage ring.
- Three main tasks:
 - 1. Proof-of-principle (PoP) experiment
 - 2. Lattice design for EUV SSMB ring
 - 3. Resolve related technical issues



Some Literature Review for Interested Readers

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- C. Tang, First Experimental Demonstration of the Mechanism of Steady-state Microbunching, Talk at IPAC2020.
- A. Chao, Steady-State Microbunching in Storage Rings: a new source of radiation, Talk at BESSY Matter and Technology Annual Meeting 2020.
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Lattice design for EUV SSMB ring:

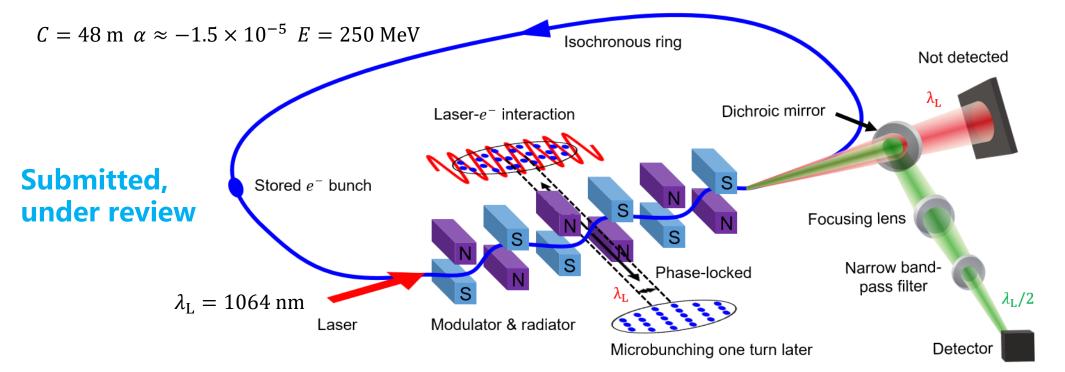
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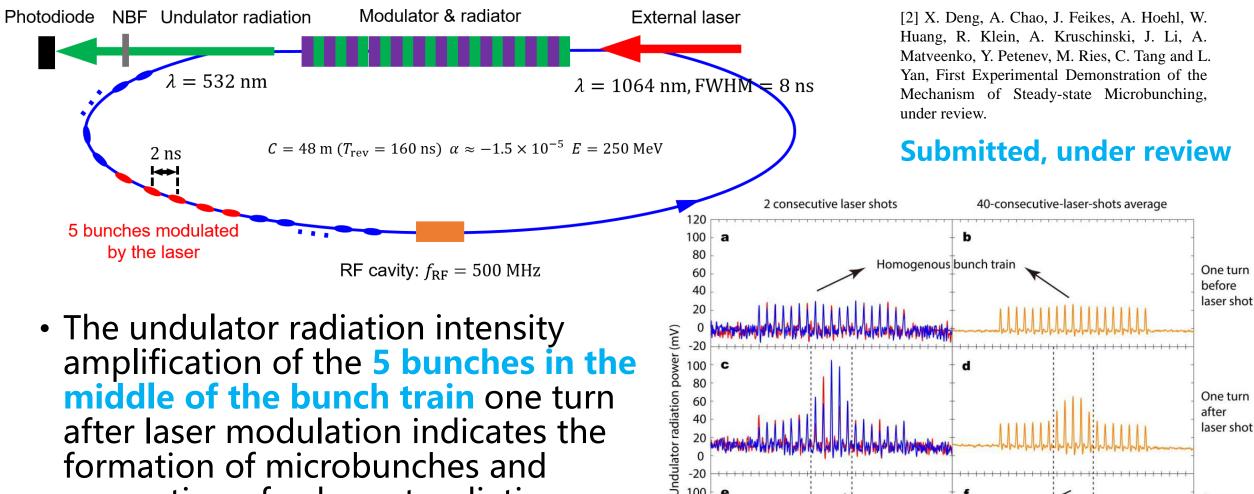
SSMB PoP Experiment^[2]: a collaboration work of Tsinghua, HZB and PTB at the MLS

Electron beam is stored in an isochronous configuration at MLS. The beam is modulated by a single-shot laser. The laser is turned off, the beam makes one turn and returns to the modulator, which now serves as the radiator in the next turn. The ring must have a high precision and stability to store the beam in isochronous condition and to maintain phase space correlations for microbunching after a full turn.



[2] X. Deng, A. Chao, J. Feikes, A. Hoehl, W. Huang, R. Klein, A. Kruschinski, J. Li, A. Matveenko, Y. Petenev, M. Ries, C. Tang and L. Yan, First Experimental Demonstration of the Mechanism of Steady-state Microbunching, under review.

Success after Two Years of Efforts^[2]



80

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One turn

laser shot

One turn

laser shot

3 nm band-

pass filter

30

after

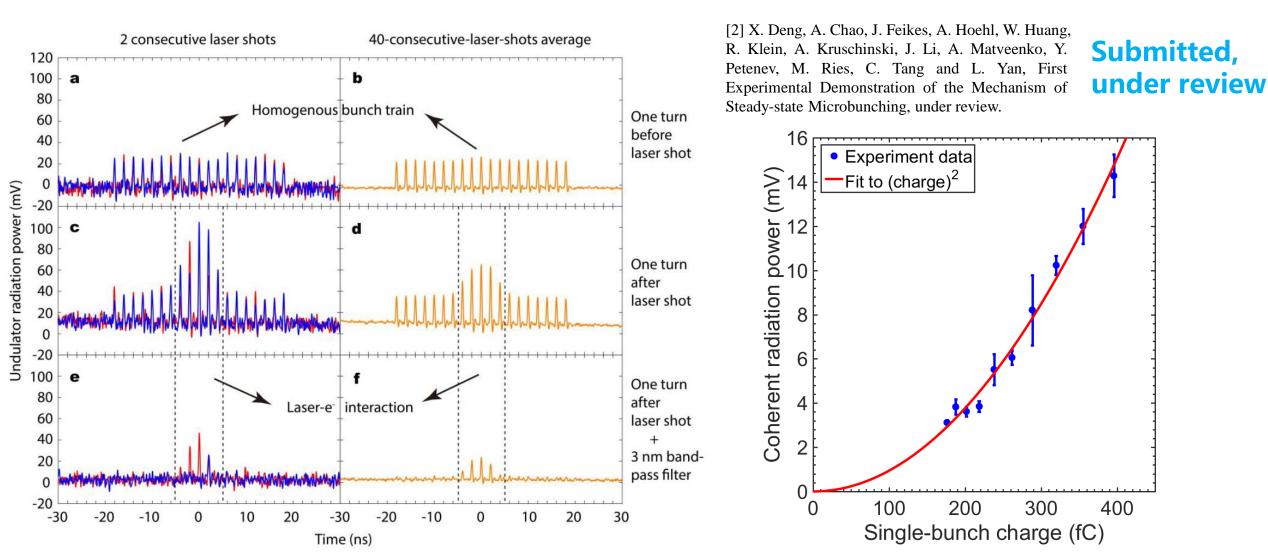
Laser-e⁻ interaction

Time (ns)

after

- amplification of the 5 bunches in the middle of the bunch train one turn after laser modulation indicates the formation of microbunches and generation of coherent radiation.
- One important feature of the coherent radiation: narrow-banded.

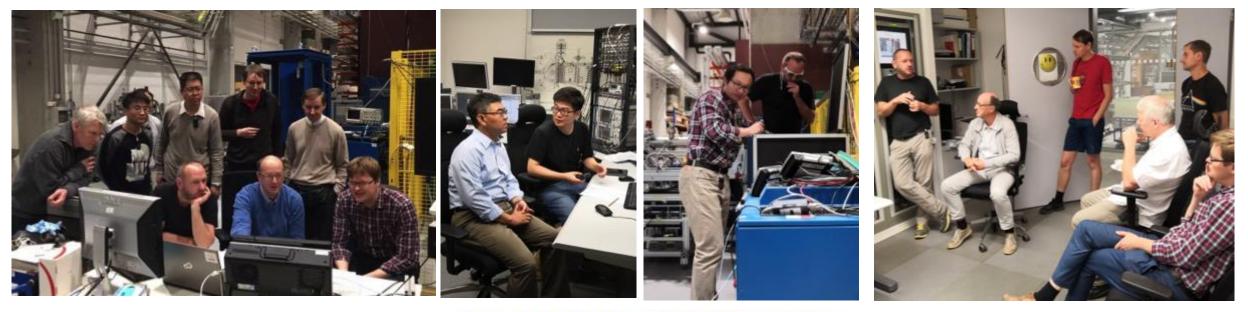
The quadratic bunch charge dependence, together with the narrowband feature of the coherent radiation, demonstrates unequivocally the microbunching formation.^[2]

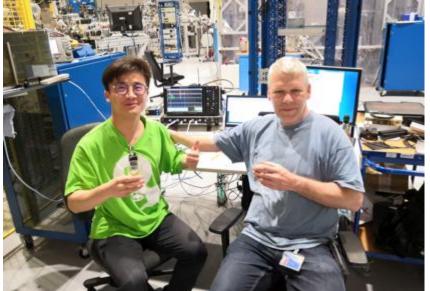


Significance of the SSMB PoP Experiment

- The returning to the same location of modulation to microbunch and radiate has the significance, and in fact the requirement, that the storage ring must be capable of storing a microbunched beam turn after turn.
- The success of the demonstration manifests the robustness of theoretical models and the viability of accelerator technology to encourage SSMB as a user facility. The achieved optical longitudinal focusing in a storage ring represents an important advancement in accelerator physics.
- It is the first key advance of developing an SSMB-based high-power EUV light source.

Two Years Efforts Condensed in Two Slides



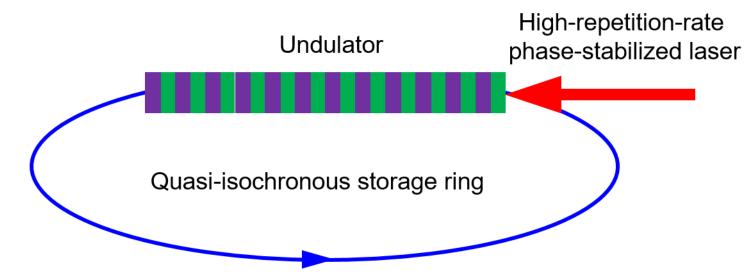




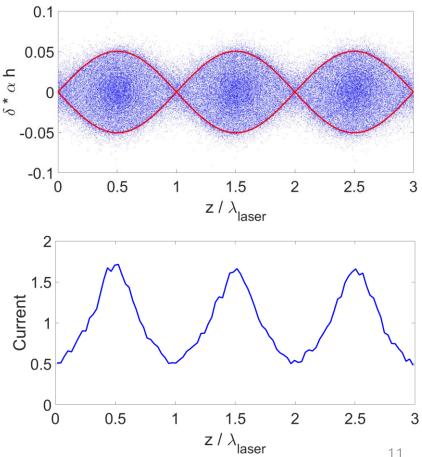


Future Perspective: PoP Phase II planned at the MLS

• With the laser-electron phase locked on a turn-by-turn basis, the next step is an establishment of stable microbuckets and maintaining of the microbunching for multiple turns.



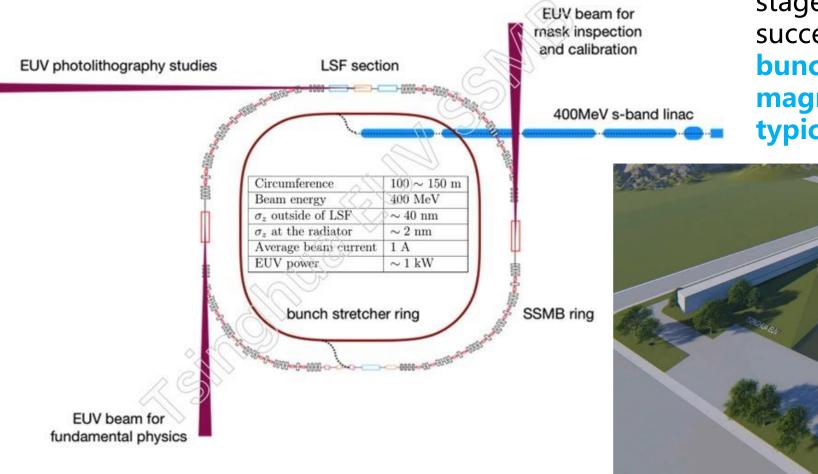
 It is to be accomplished by using a high-repetition-rate phase-stabilized laser to interact with the electron beam turn by turn.



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Future Perspective: EUV SSMB storage ring

• Envisioned Tsinghua EUV SSMB storage ring:



Progress on lattice design: firststage lattice design of EUV SSMB ring succeeded.^[3] **The steadily stored bunch is more than four orders of magnitude shorter than the present typical bunches in storage rings.**



Summary

- SSMB is a promising high-power EUV radiation scheme and has potential advantages for applications in EUVL.
- The mechanism of SSMB has been demonstrated the first time worldwide in an electron storage ring. It is the first key advance of developing an SSMB high-power EUV radiation source, which has the potential of starting a new era of accelerator photon science and offer new possibilities for EUV lithography light source.
- SSMB PoP Experiment Phase II is under preparation and will be conducted at the MLS in the near future.
- Magnet lattice design for envisioned Tsinghua EUV SSMB storage ring is ongoing, with very good progress achieved.

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