# High average power Compton based X-ray source

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## Compton Experiment at ATF

(record number of X-rays with 10  $\mu\text{m}$  laser)

- More then  $10^8$  of x-rays/per pulse were generated in the experiment PR ST 2000. N<sub>X</sub>/N<sub>e-</sub> ~0.1.
- 0.35 in 2006- limited by laser/electron beams diagnostics
- Interaction point with high power laser focus of ~30  $\mu\text{m}$  was tested.
- Nonlinear limit (more then one laser photon scattered from electron) was verified. PRL 2005.



# CO2 cavity

 Has a potential to increase average intracavity power ~100 times at 10.6 microns.

Purpose of the test:

- Demonstration of 100pulse train inside regenerative amplifier that incorporates Compton interaction point.
- Demonstration of linearto-circular polarization inversion inside the laser cavity.
- Test of the high power injection scheme



# CO2 cavity: Simplified test setup



#### First observations:

- Optical gain over 4  $\mu$ s
- Misbalanced gain/loss regime results in lasing interruption by plasma
- Single seed pulse amplification continues to the end





### The best train uniformity achieved



- Very encouraging results obtained with simplified cavity test setup: ~200 ps pulse of the order of 100 mJ circulated for >1  $\mu s.$
- Further test would require pulse length monitoring and high pressure or isotope mixture based amplifier (to sustain 5 ps beams).

# Polarized Positrons Source (PPS for ILC)



- Polarized  $\gamma$ -ray beam is generated in Compton backscattering inside optical cavity of  $CO_2$  laser beam and 6 GeV e-beam produced by linac.
- The required intensities of polarized positrons are obtained due to 10 times increase of the "drive" e-beam charge (compared to non polarized case) and 5 to 10 consecutive IPs.
- Laser system relies on commercially available lasers but need R&D on a new mode of operation.
- 5ps, 10J  $CO_2$  laser is operated at BNL/ATF.





#### 100W 13 nm source for semiconductor industry (based on 1 Joule 3ps CO2 laser and 7MeV electron beam)

Average electron  
current for 10IPs: 
$$I_e = \frac{P_{OUT} q_e}{E_{\phi} N_{IP}}$$
  $I_e = 100 mA$ 

Nonlinear limit: 1 scattered photon per 1 electron

Beam rate for 
$$f_{beam} = \frac{I_e}{Q_{bunch}}$$
  $f_{beam} = 100 MHz$   
Average per loser

Average per laser power for 0.1% round trip loss:

$$P_{laser} = f_{beam} \frac{E_{laser}}{Q_{cavity}}$$

$$P_{laser} = 0.1 MW$$

# 500 W and 3% loss is considered for ILC polarized positron source

#### 3W average power 0.1 nm source (1 Joule 3ps CO2 laser and 85MeV electron beam)

Average electron current for 3IPs (1 laser):

Beam rate for 1nC bunches:

$$I_{e} = \frac{P_{OUT} \ q_{e}}{E_{\phi} \ N_{IP}} \qquad I_{e} = 80 \ \mu A$$
$$f_{beam} = \frac{I_{e}}{Q_{bunch}} \qquad f_{beam} = 80 \ kHz$$

~4 $\mu s$ , 200 bunch long trains at 400Hz

Average per laser power for 1% round trip loss:

$$P_{laser} = f_{beam} \frac{E_{laser}}{Q_{cavity}} \qquad P_{laser} = 800 W$$

1kW similar CO<sub>2</sub> excimer lasers commercially exist

5 10<sup>15</sup> photons/sec emitted per IP with peak brightness of the order of 5 10<sup>23</sup> ph/sec/mm<sup>2</sup>/mrad<sup>2</sup>/0.1%

8 10<sup>4</sup> pulses/sec/IP at kW level of the order of 100 fs

### Excimer laser convertible to $CO_2$



10 J per pulse, 100 Hz repetition rate, 1 kW average power Price ~5 M\$





#### Commercially Available High-Pressure CO<sub>2</sub> Lasers



Repetition Rate 20 -500 Hz

Pulse Energy 1.5 J

Beam Size  $13 \times 13 \text{ mm}^2$ 

Average Power 750 W

Price ~ 0.2-1.5M\$



# Conclusion

- Proposed CO2 active cavity increases by orders of magnitude average laser power for efficient laser ebeam interaction
- Efficient operation of FEL and Compton based sources is magically divided around 0.1 nm