

KIT accelerators and research highlights - an overview

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Test facilities & technologies - examples





Accelerator & energy systems Test field KITTEN



- Digital twin of KARA
 - Analyzing, developing and testing future energy solutions for research infrastructures
- InnovEEA
 - Load management (grid stability)





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KARA Operation Status



Picture: H. Hoteit

- Operation modes in 2022:
 - 0.5/2.3/2.5 GeV user optics, 0.5/1.3 GeV low-alpha, 0.5/1.3 GeV negative alpha
- Power supply refurbishment program
 - Replaced Booster main power supplies
 - Direct EPICS control interface on device
 - Continuous operation at all energies (50 500 MeV)
 - Replaced KARA dipole power supply (800 A / 520 V)
 - Direct EPICS control interface on device
 - Enable new operation modes like down ramping
 - New KARA quadrupole power supplies in the ordering process
 - Start with family powering
 - Test individual powered quadrupole magnets
 - Installed new PS for KARA sextupole magnets and split them from two into tree families



Impedance manipulation at KARA

- Goal: Observe, understand, and - h = 50 um $-h = 100 \, \mu m$ control the microbunching instability 400 $h = 150 \, \mu m$ $h = 200 \,\mu m$ Corrugated plates will be installed $h = 250 \, \mu m$ 300 $\Re \left(Z_{\parallel} \right) \left[\Omega \right]$ $-h = 300 \, \text{um}$ at KARA 200 Affecting threshold current and/or 100 bursting frequency with additional impedance 2b 100 200 300 0 f [GHz] with corrugated no corrugated with corrugated structure fres=110 GHz structure fres=180 GHz Effective resonance frequency $f_{
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 - S. Maier et al. https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC-23-WEPL189

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300

250

200

Bunch current [µA]

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400

EO Near-Field @ KARA: Phase Space Tomography

 $\lambda/4$

 $\lambda/2$

grating

polarizing

beam splitter

chirped laser pulse

EO

e bunch

doi:10.1038/s41598-023-31196-5

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crystal 🖌



single-bunch @ 2.7 MHz

S. Funkner et al., Sci Rep, March 2023, Vol. 13.1, pp. 1-11.

S. Funker et al., *Sci. Rep.* 4618 (2023) https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-023-31196-5

EO Near-Field @ KARA: Towards Multi-Bunch Measurements





First 2 bunch EOS measurements at KARA:

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- FLUTE (Ferninfrarot Linac- Und Test-Experiment)
 - Test facility for accelerator physics within ARD
 - Experiments with THz radiation



Final electron energy	~ 41	MeV
Electron bunch charge	0.001 - 1	nC
Electron bunch length	1 - 300	fs
Pulse repetition rate	5	Hz
THz E-Field strength	up to 1.2	GV/m

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

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ELUTE : upgrade status

- Dedicated RF units for RF photo-injector and linac have been installed and commissioned
- New RF photo-injector with low dark current has been delivered, installation and commissioning is under way
- Installation of the RF waveguide for the linac and its conditioning will follow

1. RF photo-injector

Diagnostic section K100 waveguide

2 Solenoid

5. Circulator

4.

UV laser beam aligned and referenced





Parameter	Value
Input RF power	9.5 MW
Output Energy	5.5 MeV
Operating Frequency	2.998 GHz
Repetition rate	50 Hz
Peak cathode field	120 MV/m
Bunch charge (max)	1 nC



Controlling the Transverse Beam Shape of the Photoinjector Laser via an SLM

- Evolve last year's test setup and approach by ...
 - Using the Ti:Sa 800 nm photoinjector laser system
 - Including a compressor in the optical path
 - Mapping the camera intensity directly to the phase modulation via a deep neural network







Experimental setup in vacuum chamber installed and in commissioning

J. Schäfer et al. https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC-23-THPL122 M. Nabinger et al. https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC-23-THPA079

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Long. 1 ps

Long. 1 ps

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Accelerator technology for precision medicine

KIT Center HealthTech https://www.healthtech.kit.edu/ Development and implementation of innovative technologies leading to the transformation of health technologies into future healthcare.

water

equivalent

plates

Stengl, S. Sch





- ELUTE → photon irradiation
 ELUTE → electron irradiation
- First tests in cooperation with DKFZ



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cSTART Project

- Motivation: Storage of ultra-short (fs) electron bunches with high repetition rate
- Compact storage ring with very large momentum acceptance and dynamic aperture
- FLUTE with new transfer line as injector
- Status:
 - Conceptual design and specification: finished
 - Transfer line magnets: first magnets delivered
 - Test diagnostics at KARA booster: ongoing

A. Papash et al. <u>https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-THPOPT023</u>
M. Schwarz et al. <u>https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC-23-WEPL167</u>
D. El Khechen et al. <u>https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-MOPOPT026</u>
J. Schäfer et al. <u>https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-MOPOST041</u>
B. Härer et al. https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-THPOPT059



KARA Booster Diagnostics



- Injection facility for KARA
- Components:
 - 53 MeV racetrack microtron
 - Injection line
 - 26 m circumference booster synchrotron (53 MeV → 500 MeV, RMS bunch length: 200 ps...1000 ps)
 - Extraction line

M.-D. Noll et al. https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2023-THPL126



- Diagnostic Devices:
 - Button/Stripline beam position monitors
 - Two synchrotron radiation ports
- Implement longitudinal diagnostics to improve storage ring injection efficiency



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Hexapod $\Delta x \ (mm)$

Longitudinal beam dynamics for different initial distributions at cSTART



- Storage time ≪ damping time → Non-equilibrium dynamics
- Simulation of 700 k turns with 1 M macro-particles

Initial distribution



Distribution after 100 ms

M. Schwarz et al. https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC-23-WEPL167





Goal: injection & storage of a laser plasma accelerator beam in a storage ring



- Clean room for laser system built
- Commercial laser system in commissioning
- Conceptual design of transfer lines including diagnostics finished \checkmark
- Next step: Fine-tuning of optics and tracking calculations
- Additional professor at KIT in 2023



Al4Accelerators team highlights



Reinforcement Learning First successful application of RL in an accelerator with online training and running on hardware in the world at KARA!

Untrained agent 15 episodes 30 episodes 45 episodes 60 episodes Greedy agent 1500 2000 Turne

Lattice agnostic RL

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Code usable in different accelerators

Creation of the Collaboration on **Reinforcement Learning for** Autonomous Accelerators (RL4AA)!

- Kick-off with workshop organized at KIT
- Proceedings to be published https://rl4aa.github.io/

RL vs BO

https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.03739

[Submitted on 6 Jun 2023]

Learning to Do or Learning While Doing: **Reinforcement Learning and Bayesian Optimisation for Online Continuous Tuning**

Jan Kaiser, Chenran Xu, Annika Eichler, Andrea Santamaria Garcia, Oliver Stein, Erik Bründermann, Willi Kuropka, Hannes Dinter, Frank Mayet, Thomas Vinatier, Florian Burkart, Holger Schlarb

Online tuning of real-world plants is a complex optimisation problem that continues to require manual intervention by experienced human operators. Autonomous tuning is a rapidly expanding field of research where learning-based methods, such as Reinforcement Learning-trained Optimisation (RLO) and Bayesian optimisation (BO), hold great promise for achieving outstanding plant performance and reducing tuning times.

Bayesian Optimization

- Time to inject to KARA cut in half with automated tuning by BO algorithm https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.26.034601
- Emitted THz radiation at FLUTE optimized with parallel BO in simulation https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-WEPOMS023
- Transfer of algorithm to EuXFEL to tune SASE emission https://www.ipac23.org/preproc/pdf/THPL028.pdf



Technology transfer from KARA to the world



Superconducting Undulators – The future is now **EuXFEL** 2022 SCUs for FELs USA NSLS-II@BNL Bilfinger 3 GeV SCW 2020 2020 Australia Synchrotron, Melbourne ANSTO - BioSAXS beamline First light: Nov. 2022 Bilfinger Website: "Superconducting undulators ... most powerful light source for any experiment" First light: Nov. 2022



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