

Manufacturing of Gas Targets from Transparent Materials using 3D Laser Machining

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1) Tailored plasma targets















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- Gas capillaries and cells
- Density triggered injection of electrons and plasma radiator
- Injection of gas with lower ionisation energy, selftruncated injection
 - Oscillation in plasma wake, Multipulse ionisation

"Non-diffracting" beams, compensation of group velocity phase delay

2) Hybrid 3D Laser Machining Technique





- The formation precision of nanosecond rear-side processing - \pm 20 µm, surface roughness \pm 5-8 µm, high material removal rate ~ 2 mm³/s.
- The formation precision of Femtosecond Laser-assisted Selective Chemical Etching (FLSE) ± 2 μm, surface roughness < 0.7 μm, modification of
 Ø 100 μm x 2 mm structure takes 21 min. plus etching in KOH - 22 h

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2) Micro-nozzle surface roughness



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SEM images - FLSE (a), nanosecond rear-side processing (b) with subsequent etching in KOH (c). Surface topographies - nanosecond rear-side processing (d) with subsequent etching in KOH (e)

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3) One-side shock micro-nozzles used in near-one cycle LWFA of electrons



Ø 240 µm "one-sided shock" nozzle manufactured by combined technique

- Injector structure formed by One-Sided Shock jet of 300 µm De Laval nozzle with a straight section at the outlet (LOA)
- Concentration down-ramp gradient simulated by Fluent 3D software
- Demonstration of stable long-term operation of a kilohertz laser-plasma
 accelerator



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Simulations, J. Faure, C. Thaury et al., LOA, Tomography – Thales, Manufacturing FTMC

3) Multiscan 3 D project





For operation with High-Z γ-Converter 0.7 J / 30 fs laser pulse 2.6 MeV electron beam mean energy 63 nC charge in the range [0.5, 10] MeV 860 mrad emission cone

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3) Gas Targets for Betatron Source ej



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Simulations and Design U. Chaulagain et al., ChETEC-INFRA Beamlines, Manufacturing FTMC

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3) Micro-nozzles array





Wiggler structure

1.5 mm convergingdiverging slot nozzle S1 with 4 x 200 µm nozzles array Arr2 \oslash 2.25 mm De Laval nozzle with 4 x 200 µm nozzles - array Arr3 **Injector structure** 300 µm slot nozzle with 1.5 mm converging-diverging

slot nozzle - array Arr4



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3) Laser Beam Shadowgrams of Wiggler structures





Shadowgrams of Wiggler structures formed by the intersecting shock waves in gas of arrays Arr2 (a) and Arr3 (b,c) for the laser beam propagating at the distance of 800 μ m (b) and 400 μ m (c) above the nozzle outlet

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3) Resolution of X-ray Imaging





- X-ray image using \varnothing 2.25 mm Arr3 Wiggler structure (400 μ m) (a, b)
- Resolution of X-ray imaging was limited by the pixel size of 13.5 µm (c)
- Resolution of X-ray imaging limited by source size< 9 µm (d)

Arr2 Wiggler structure increased the number of X-ray photons per shot $(1.1-2.9 \times 10^8)$ and brightness $(0.3 - 0.7 \times 10^{20} \text{ ph/s/mrad}^2/\text{mm}^2/0.1\%\text{BW})$ by a factor of 2-3.V. Tomkus et al., Sci. Rep. 10, 16807, (2020)ChETEC-INFRA Workshop Debrecen | June 6-7, 2023



3) Double gas nozzle











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4) Proton Acceleration



Before laser shot D= 200 µm After laser shot D*= 760 µm





PICO2000 (LULI) (E=50J, t-1 ps, λ =1 µm Shot at 400 µm above the outlet

Fused silica, the system withstood 1000 bar, measured 13/03/2020



Destruction problems



Simulations, J. Henares et al., CENBG/CLPU Manufacturing FTMC

4) Deuteron acceleration









Formation of sub-critical gas targets:

Non-shock nozzle – Extension 1:2 Shock nozzle – Extension 1:6 Super-gaussian profile σ = 30 - 70 µm

Laser - 3 μ m spot size FHWM 12 fs pulse length I = 3x10¹⁹ W/cm²

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Simulations, nozzle design - N. Zulfikar et al., JAI, Laser facility - ChETEC-INFRA ALPS,

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5) Nuclear Astrophysics Research



Formation of gas targets: De Laval nozzle d 2.75 mm/1mm Slit nozzle – 9.75 mm x 1.85 mm, throat 8 mm x 0.1 mm

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- The plasma target should be matched to the pulse energy and spatialtemporal parameters of the driving laser
- Tailored injection mechanism ensure stable long-term operation of a kHz laser-plasma accelerator. Double nozzle allows independent adjustment of injection position and injected electron charge.
- Micronozzle arrays of micrometric dimensions resistant to optical damage can be manufactured from transparent materials, such as fused silica, combining fast high-volume removal laser nanosecond rear side processing and high-precision Femtosecond laser-assisted selective etching (FLSE) technique.
- Gas targets can be implemented for electron, proton and deuteron acceleration using kHz class lasers as well as nuclear astrophysics research.





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