Nonlinear Resonances in a Multi-Stage Free-Electron Laser Amplifier

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Abstract

Nonlinear resonances in the longitudinal phase-space of a multi-stage Free-Electron Laser for the Two-Beam Accelerator have been studied. We have developed a new analytic theory based on the macroparticle model and the perturbation method. A resonance-structure observed in simulations is found to be modeled by the nonlinear pendulum equation and to depend on a waveguide dimension.

1. Introduction

A Two-Beam Accelerator (TBA) is a possible candidate for future linear colliders, in which rf power required for a high-gradient linac is provided from a Multi-stage Free-Electron Laser (MFEL) [1,2] as shown in Fig. 1. The MFEL has some unique features. First a bunched beam drives each FEL. Second it has a periodicity: after amplification of input seed-power in each FEL, the driving beam is re-accelerated with an induction unit for energy replenishment to go to the succeeding stage. This fact means that rf and beam characters vary periodically and a bucket evolves rapidly in each FEL.



Fig. 1 Schematic picture of TBA/FEL

One of the interesting issues in the MFEL is the resonances between the synchrotron motion in a bucket and the periodicity of the MFEL [3]. The resonances lead to a formation of islands within a rf bucket in longitudinal phase-space, and degrade the performance of the MFEL as an rf source. We suppose that the resonances should be serious when the power-density of the amplified rf is strong.

This paper presents the nonlinear resonance in the MFEL for the recent version of TBA [4,5], not for the early one [3]. Section 2 briefly shows the simulation results which show the existence of the resonance. We show in section 3 that by use of the macroparticle model [6-8], the motion of electron in the phase space of the MFEL can be described by the nonlinear pendulum equation with periodically and rapidly time-varying "mass" and "length". Section 4 shows how the resonance can be theoretically analyzed with the perturbative calculation.

2. Simulation

The well-known one dimensional FEL simulations [9,10] have been performed. We have assumed a rectangular waveguide TE₀₁ mode as a signal wave. Typical parameters of the MFEL of interest are listed in Table 1. The high rf power-density with a rapidly increasing ponderomotive force would give rise to strong resonances. In order to evaluate effects of the rf powerdensity on the resonances, only the waveguide width a^{\dagger} is varied while the other parameters are fixed. For a relatively wide waveguide ($a^* \ge 10$ cm), our previous simulation shows that the beam propagates from the first to the 300-th stage without detrapping, and maintains the original bunch shape [7]. For cases of smaller waveguide $a^* = 8$, 4 cm, meanwhile, the fourth and third-integer resonances are observed as shown in Fig. 2. These resonances are considered to be caused by the strong rf power-density resulting from the reduced waveguide width. When these resonances occur, the beam continues to lose its population, the rf power decreases, and the signal phase changes [4]. These are significant problem for the multi-stage rf-source where transport of a high current beam over a long distance is indispensable to maintain a constant amount of amplified rf power.

Table 1. FEL parameters for TBA/FEL

beam current I_e	2	kA
beam energy γ	23	
energy gain per period $\Delta \gamma$	1	
wiggler wave length λ_w	26	cm
wiggler length per period L_w	52	cm
wiggler peak field B_{w}	3.85 - 3.6	kG
signal frequency f_s	17.1	GHz
input rf power P_{in}	10	MW
waveguide width a [*]	20 - 4	cm
waveguide height b^*	3	cm
number of FEL stage	300	



FIG. 2 Longitudinal phase-space structure by FEL simulations. (a) the fourth-integer resonance (waveguide width $a^* = 8$ cm). (b) the third-integer resonance ($a^* = 4$ cm).

3. Nonlinear pendulum equation

Following the Ref. 3 and using the definition of the macroparticle [6-8], the Hamiltonian for the MFEL can be written as

$$H(\varepsilon,\xi,E,\chi;z) \cong \sum_{i}^{N} \left\{ \left(k_{w} - \delta k_{s}\right) \left(\gamma_{a} + \varepsilon\right) + \frac{\omega_{s}\left(1 + a_{w}^{2}\right)}{2c(\gamma_{a} + \varepsilon)} - a_{w}\left(\frac{eZ_{0}J_{\epsilon}}{m_{e}c^{2}}\right)^{1/2} \frac{\left(E - N\gamma_{a}\right)^{1/2}}{N^{1/2}} \frac{\cos(\psi_{a} + \xi)}{\gamma_{a} + \varepsilon} + \frac{d\gamma_{a}}{dz}\xi \right\},$$
(1)

where γ_a , ψ_a are the Lorentz factor and ponderomotive phase of the macroparticle, ε , ξ are deviations from the energy and phase of the macroparticle, N the number of particles, $a_w = eB_w / \sqrt{2}m_e ck_w$ the normalized wiggler amplitude, $\delta k_s = \omega_s/c - k_s$ the shift of longitudinal wavenumber from its value in vacuum, ω_s rf angular frequency, $k_s = \sqrt{(\omega_s/c)^2 - (\pi/a^*)^2}$ the wavenumber for TE₀₁ mode, J_e beam current density, e_s normalized signal-field, k_w the wavenumber of wiggler, φ_s the signal phase, e and m_e are the charge and rest mass of electron, c the speed of light, z longitudinal coordinate, $Z_0 = 377\Omega$, $E = Nm_e c^2 e_s^2 / e Z_0 J_e$ and $\chi = -\varphi_s$. Expanding the Hamiltonian (1) in powers of ε/γ_a and retaining the dominant terms, we have

$$H(\varepsilon,\xi;z) \cong G(z)\varepsilon^{2}/2 - F(z)\cos\psi_{a}\cos\xi +F(z)\sin\psi_{a}(\sin\xi-\xi),$$
(2)

where $G(z) = \omega_s (1 + a_w^2) / c \gamma_a^3$, $F(z) = a_w e_s / \gamma_a$. Neglecting friction terms which are proportional to ξ' because of their smallness, we obtain a nonlinear pendulum equation

 $\xi'' + GF\{\sin\psi_a(\cos\xi - 1) + \cos\psi_a\sin\xi\} \approx 0$, (3) from the Eq. (2), where primes denote differentiation with respect to z. The macroparticle model assumes $\gamma_a \propto a_w$; hence GF in Eq. (3) is determined mainly by e_s which is written in a term of the trigonometric function [8], $e_s(z) \approx (2\kappa/a|b|)\sin(|b|z/2)$, where a, b, K, and κ are constants defined in Refs. 6, 7.

Figure 3 shows the results of numerical integration of Eq. (3) for $a^* = 8$, 4 cm. We observe that Eq. (3) can well reproduce the results of the FEL simulations seen in Fig. 2. Thus, we consider the Hamiltonian (1) with $E \propto e_s^2$, $\chi = -\varphi_s$ determined by the macroparticle model as a theoretical base to analytically assess the nonlinear resonances in the MFEL.



FIG. 3 Phase-space plots of the nonlinear-pendulum's solution for (a) $a^* = 8$ cm and (b) $a^* = 4$ cm.

4. Isolated resonance theory

Using the isolated resonance theory [11] which has been established in beam dynamics of circular (5b)

accelerators, we can calculate the size and position of the primary resonance islands [4]. Expanding the Hamiltonian (1) in powers of ξ and ε/γ_a :

 $H(\varepsilon,\xi;z) = G\varepsilon^{2}/2 + F_{c}\xi^{2}/2 + (perturbations) \quad (4)$ where $F_{c} = F \cos \psi_{a}$. The expression can be regarded as the non-autonomous one degree of freedom Hamiltonian for a pendulum with time-varying "mass" G and "length" F_{c} , affected by nonlinear perturbations. Using the generating functions $F_{2}(\xi,\overline{\varepsilon};z) = \xi\overline{\varepsilon}/\sqrt{G(z)}$ and $F_{1}(\overline{\xi},\theta) = -(\alpha + \tan \theta)\overline{\xi}^{2}/2\beta$, where α , β satisfy $2\beta\beta'' - \beta'^{2} + 4GF\beta^{2} = 4$. (5a)

$$\alpha = -\beta'/2,$$

the Hamiltonian (4) is transformed to

 $H(J, \theta; z) = (v_0/\beta(z))J + (perturbations).$ (6) Here β is referred to as a longitudinal amplitude function in the MFEL, which is a quantity analogous to a transverse amplitude function in circular accelerators. This function represents the orbital evolution of the bunch envelope in the MFEL. Instead of z, we use a new independent variable σ defined by $\sigma = (1/v_0) \int_0^z 1/\beta(z') dz'$, where $v_0 = (1/2\pi) \int_{L_w} 1/\beta(z') dz'$ is referred to as the longitudinal tune and $2\pi v_0$ is the phase advance per FEL period. Retaining only the dominant terms after some straightforward mathematical manipulation and according to the isolated resonance theory [11], we have the "time"-independent Hamiltonian for the isolated thirdinteger resonance:

 $H_{3}(J,\theta) = \delta_{m/3} J + h_{3} J^{2} + h_{3} J^{3/2} \sin(3\theta + \Theta_{3}),$ (7)where $\delta_{m/3}$, h_1 , h_3 and Θ_3 are all constants which depend on FEL parameters [4]. The Hamiltonian for the fourthinteger resonance also can be calculated in a similar way [4]. Eventually we arrive at the exact mathematical formula necessary to theoretically asses the primary resonance observed in the simulations. Fig. 4 shows lines of the equi-Hamiltonian in the phase-space for a^* = 8, 4 cm in the rectangular coordinates $P = \sqrt{2\overline{J}} \sin \overline{\theta}$. $Q = \sqrt{2\overline{J}} \cos \overline{\theta}$ to compare with Figs. 2, 3. The calculated position and size of the islands are in agreement with simulations [4]. The transition of phase-space structures in Figs. 2, 3 also can be explained with the above theory [4]. The longitudinal tune v_0 increases with a decrease of the waveguide width a^* . When v_0 is more than 1/4(1/3), the fourth (third)-integer resonance can occur.

This theory is able to give a crucial suggestion in choosing practical MFEL parameters.



FIG. 4 Phase-space plots of the equi-Hamiltonian for (a) the fourth-integer resonance ($a^* = 8$ cm) and (b) the third-integer resonance ($a^* = 4$ cm).

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