

First Lasing of the FELICITA I FEL at DELTA

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Introduction: FELICITA I

general

wavelength	470 nm
electron energy	450 MeV
bunchpattern	1, 2, 4

electro magnetic undulator

period length	250 mm
number of periods	7 + 7 (OK)

dielectric mirrors

substrates	quartz
radius of curvature	8.0 m

optical cavity

length	14.4 m
Rayleigh length	2.4 m



The History of FELICITA I

first idea	1984
project foundation	1992
installation of the undulator	1995
installation of the mirror-chamber	1996
trying to lase	1997

First Lasing

January 28th 1999

...two days after the arrival of a streak camera



Stages of the Commissioning

Nov. 1996 till Apr. 1997

commissioning of the ring at low energies with undulator

Nov. 1997 till Jan 1998

alignment with the undulator and the mirrors

no longitudinal information, weak transversal criteria

Mai 1998

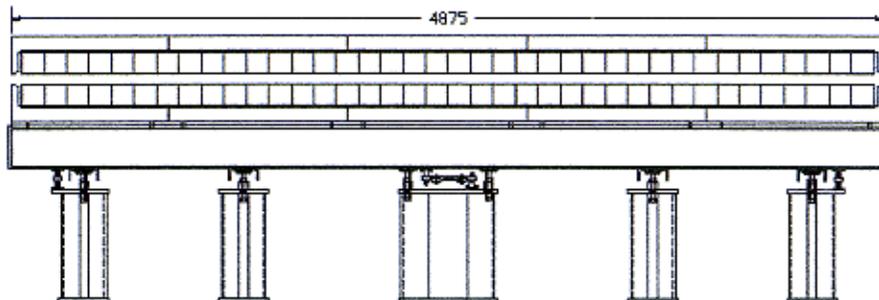
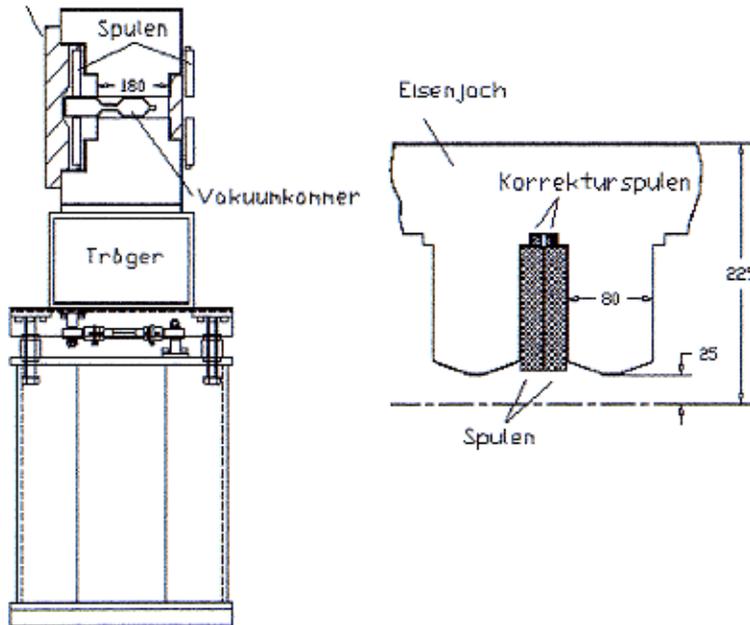
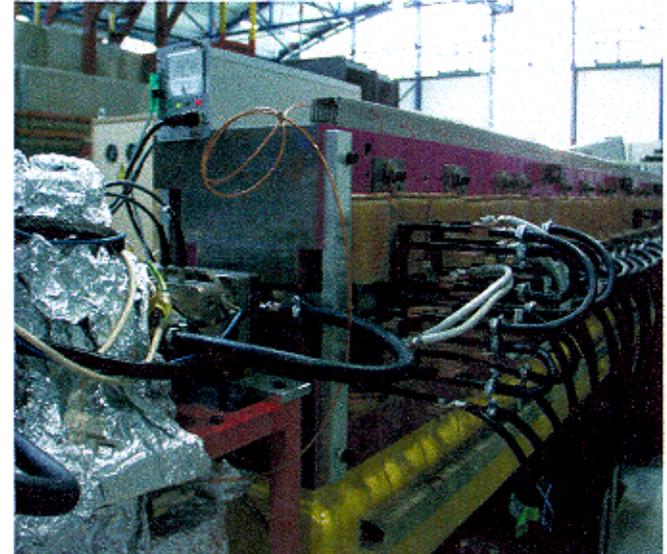
first try with a streak camera

short in sextupole: $I_{MAX} \leq 3 \text{ mA}$

Jan. 1999

good transversal alignment: LASING

The electromagnetic Undulator



- two-in-one electromagnetic undulator
- optical klystron and pure undulator with one beam accessible
- $\lambda_U = 250 \text{ mm} (\Rightarrow 50 \text{ mm gap size, standard vacuum tube useable})$
- 17 full periods as pure undulator
- 7 + 7 full periods as optical klystron
- N_D larger than 100 possible



Longitudinal Alignment I: (50 GHz Scope) Moving the Mirror-chamber

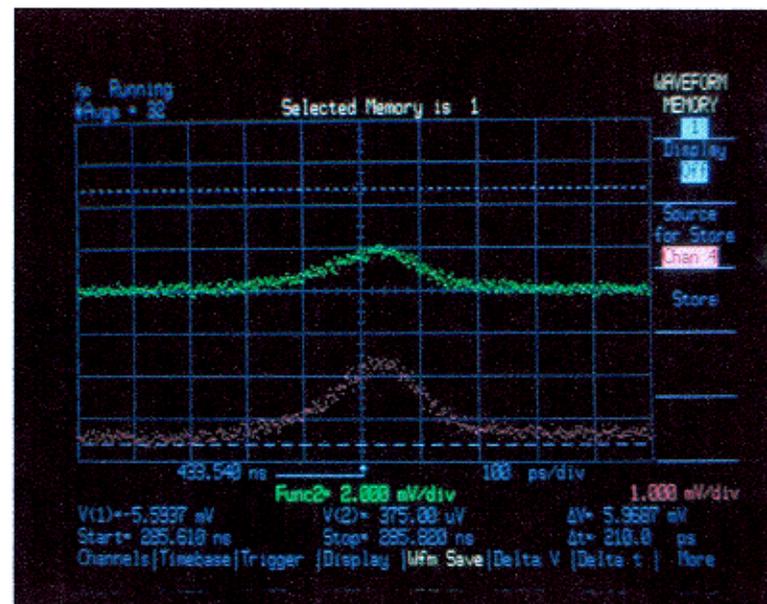
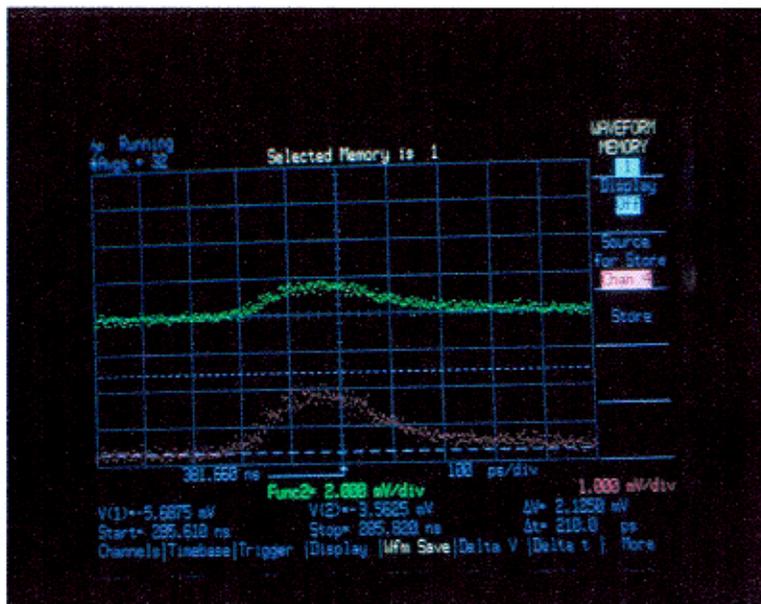
stored light-pulses in a misaligned cavity add up to tails

moving the chamber by ± 0.3 mm changes the tail

\Rightarrow longitudinal position known to ± 10 kHz

0.3 mm too long

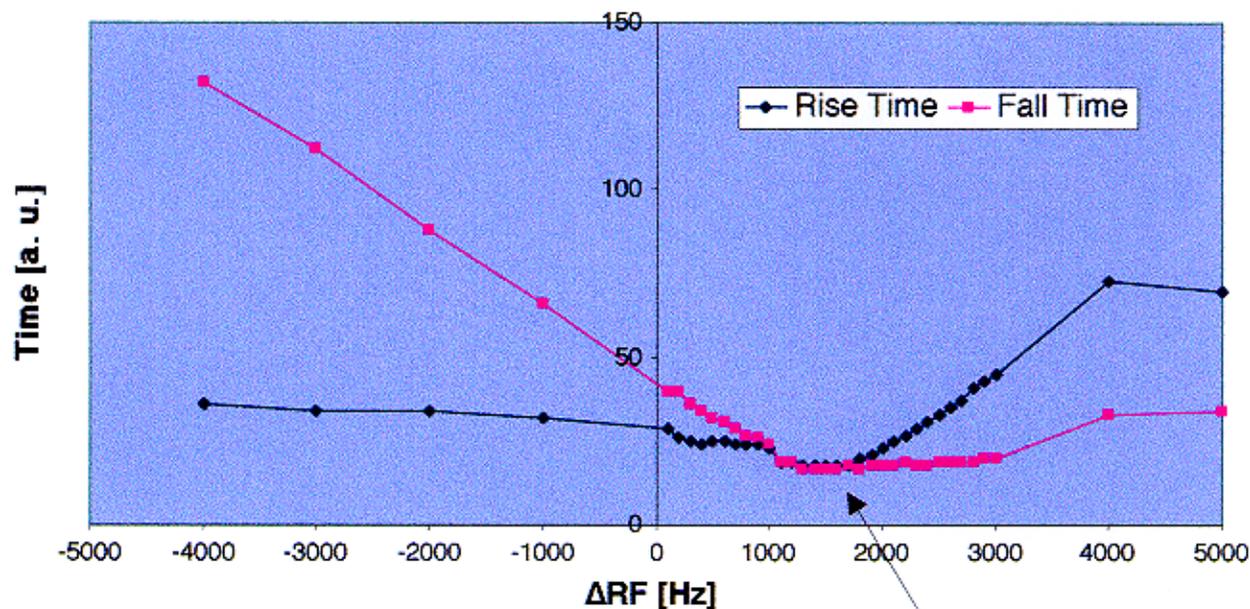
0.3 mm too short





Longitudinal Alignment II: Streak Camera

Rise and Fall Time vs RF

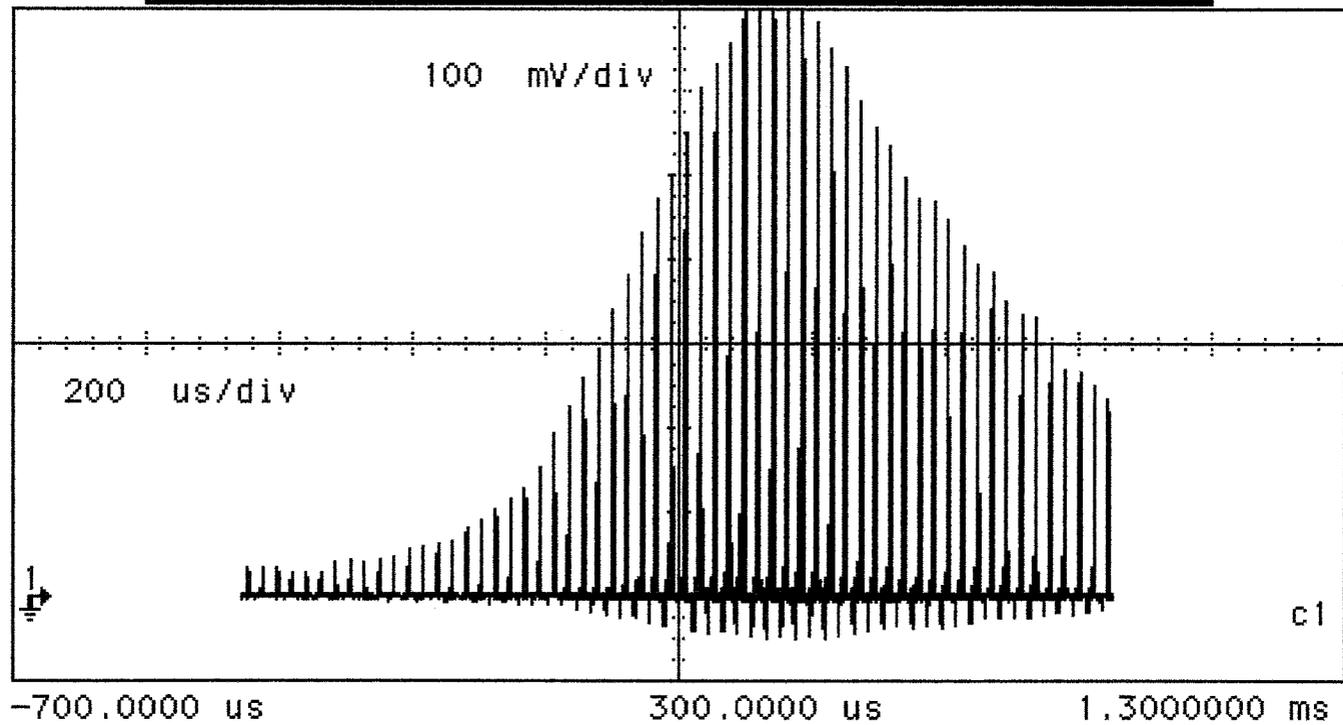


The streak camera increases the resolution to $\pm 15 \mu\text{m}$ (± 500 Hz).



First Lasing

January 28th 1999, 14¹² h

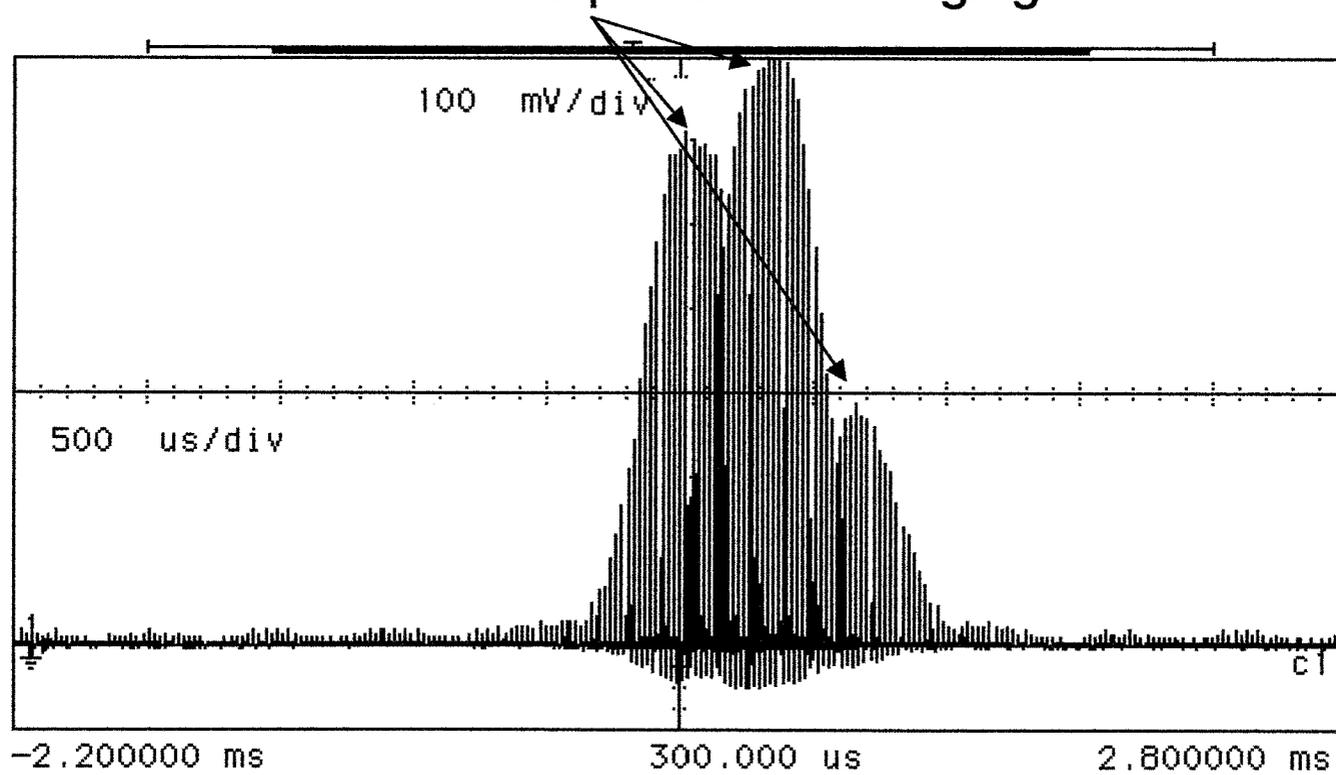


losses > 5 %; net gain > 10 %



Interesting Pulses

three pulses are merging





First Results

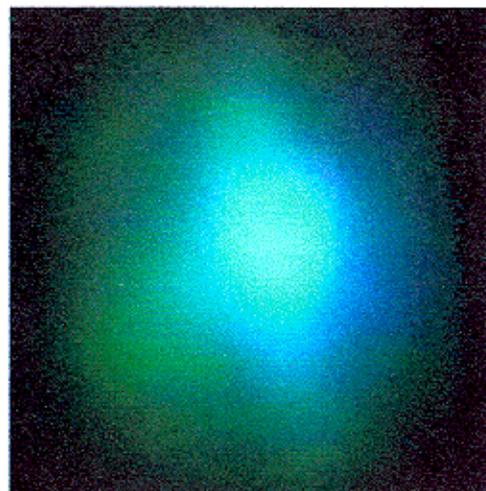
- threshold current 5 mA (single bunch)
- pulse duration 500 μ s – 5 ms
- repetition rate 30 ms – 10 s
- filling pattern single & two bunches
- rf sensitivity 4 – 40 Hz (0.1 – 1 μ m)
- Gain larger than 1 %/mA



Plans for the Future

next run in April 1999 (still 35 MeV LINAC)

wavelength: 420 nm



things to measure:

- pulse-length
- spectrum
- output-power
- stability

parameter:

- N_d (pure undulator-mode)
- beam current
- misalignments
- filling pattern

mid-term: mirrors for 257 and 225 nm are in house