# Theory of Quantum FEL and the QFEL Project

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# Outline

- 1. Steady State and Superradiant instability
- 2. Classical SASE
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- 4. Quantum Linear Analysis
- 5. Quantum SASE: quantum "purification" and discrete lines
- 6. LENS experiment: **BEC = QFEL**
- 7. QFEL Project

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## **Steady State instability (with universal scaling)**



Exponential growth up to  $|A| \sim 1$ Independently on the initial value

Possibility of start up from noise.

### **STEADY STATE AND SUPERRADIANT INSTABILITY**, Long and Short Bunch (uniform seed)

Evolution of radiation time structure in the electron rest frame



### Soliton-Like solution and Superradiant Regime (ref. 2,4)

### **CLASSICAL REGIME:**



# SUPERRADIANT INSTABILITY, (uniform seed) L=30L<sub>c</sub>, detuned ( $\delta$ =2)

R. Bonifacio, B.W. McNeil, and P. Pierini PRA 40, 4467 (1989)

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# **Classical SASE**

Ingredients:

- i) Start up from noise
- ii) Propagation effects (slippage)
- iii) Superradiant instability: (no steady state instability) Self Amplified Superradiant Emission

(RB, L. De Salvo, P.Pierini, N.Piovella, C. Pellegrini, PRL 73 (1994) 70)

The electron bunch behaves as if each cooperation length would radiate independently a weak SR spike which gets amplified propagating on the other electrons with no saturation. Spiky time structure and spectrum.





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CLASSICAL SASE reprinted from PRL 73 (1994) 70

Time structure:

Almost chaotic behavior:

number of random spikes goes like

#### Spectrum:

is just the envelope of a series of narrow random spikes

If a single SR spike.

At short wavelengths => many random spikes.

Total energy does not saturate (at 1.4).



Derived from Q-field theory by G. Preparata (Phys. Rev. A, 38 (1988), 233)



# Classical Limit: <sup>–</sup>

One can prove that the Schroedinger equation for the QFEL model reduces to the classical Vlasov Equation for the Quantum Wigner function in the limit:

In the classical limit, with universal scaling, no dependence on

(Ref. 6, 8)









(ref. 7, 8)



(ref. 8)











# Quantum limit : discrete resonance as in a cavity "Intuitive description"

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# Simulation using QFEL model: Momentum distribution (average) Quantum regime Classical regime



Classical behaviour : both n<0 and n>0 occupied Quantum behaviour : sequential SR decay, only n<0

### Experimental Evidence of Quantum Dynamics The LENS (Firenze) Experiment

- Production of an elongated <sup>87</sup>Rb BEC in a magnetic trap
- Laser pulse during first expansion of the condensate
- Absorption imaging of the momentum components of the cloud



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# **The Experiment**

Temporal evolution of the population in the first three atomic momentum states during the application of the light pulse.







# Conclusions

- Classical description of SASE valid IF
- IF one has quantum SASE: the gain bandwidth decreases as  $\sqrt{-}$  and  $\sqrt{-}$   $\sqrt{-}$  Ine narrowing, temporal coherence.
- Multiple lines Spectrum:
   separation
   / \_ inewidth
- Classical limit: increasing ′ separation linewidth
   → continuous spiky classical spectrum.
- Experimental evidence of Quantum FEL in a BEC
- QFEL Project

For experimental setup see R.B., NIM A 546 (2005) 634, proc. FEL conf. 2005

# Quantum Free Electron Laser QFEL

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Ingredients of Quantum FEL SASE:

- electron beam 15-100 MeV, 100 A ,  $\varepsilon_n < 2 \text{ mm mrad}$
- Laser wiggler at 0.8 micron , 10-100 TW (Ti:Sa) Both under development for SPARC/PLASMON X



Radiation in QFEL:
~10<sup>10</sup> photons at λ ~1 Å for some ps
monocromaticity (Δλ/λ<10<sup>-4</sup>)



### Classical FEL SASE experiments (DESY, SLAC):

- GeV linac (Km) and long undulators (100 m)
- Radiation spectrum broad and chaotic (spikes)
- High cost (10<sup>9</sup> U\$) and large dimensions

### Quantum FEL SASE:

- quantum purification (monocromatic spectrum)
- must use a laser undulator
- reduced cost (10<sup>6</sup> U\$) and compact devise (m)





Previous studies are based on a 1D quantum model.

Future work: analytical/numerical study of a 3D Quantum model in order to demonstrate the feasibility of a Quantum SASE experiment at INFN-LNF

# Preliminary parameters list for QFEL



#### **Electron beam**

E [MeV]	20
I [A]	40
ε <sub>n</sub> [μ <b>m</b> ]	1
δγ/γ [%]	0.03
β* [mm]	0.5-1

Lacan	haam
LUSEr	Deall

λ [μ <b>m</b> ]	0.8
P [TW]	1
Е [J]	4
w <sub>o</sub> [μm]	5-10
Ζ <sub>r</sub> [μm]	80-300

#### QFEL beam

λ <sub>r</sub> [A]	1.7
P <sub>r</sub> [MW]	0.3



