

Development of the simulation code OPAL

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OPAL ^[1]

Open-source tool for charged-particle optics in large accelerator structures and beam lines including 3D space charge, particle matter interaction and multi-objective optimization

- OPAL is built from the ground up as a parallel application exemplifying the fact that HPC (High Performance Computing) is the third leg of science, complementing theory and the experiment
- OPAL provides parallel calculations on your laptop as well as on the largest HPC clusters
- OPAL uses the MAD language with extensions.

[1] A. Adelman *et al.*, arXiv:1905.06654 (2019)

Open Source Development

- ❖ OPAL is hosted on gitlab → <https://gitlab.psi.ch/OPAL/src>
- ❖ Stable release versions available via binaries on Linux and macOS
- ❖ Continuous bugfixes and enhancements following the [issue tracker](#) and the [OPAL discussion forum](#)
- ❖ The OPAL framework → [Manual](#)
- ❖ Quality assurance and reproducibility of results through more than 200 regression tests
- ❖ International developer team



Open Source
Development

The OPAL Framework: Version 2.5

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Users (~70)



The OPAL framework in the latest release version 2021.1 comes in two flavours:

■ OPAL-CYCL

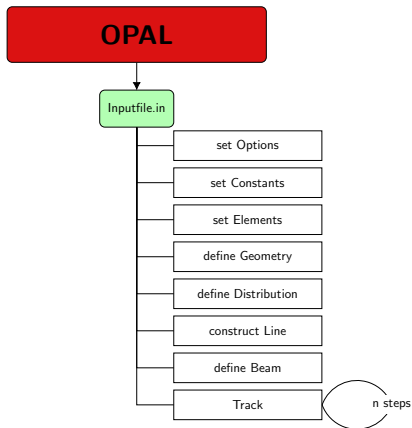
- ◇ Track particles in cyclotrons and FFAs with time as the independent variable.
- ◇ Time integration → 4th-order RK, LF, adaptive schemes
- ◇ Neighbouring turns
- ◇ Matched distribution generator
- ◇ Geometry modelling

■ OPAL-T

- ◇ Beam lines, linacs, RF-photo injectors and complete X-ray Free-Electron Laser
- ◇ Auto-phasing

Common features:

- ◇ 3D space charge
- ◇ Particle-Matter Interactions
- ◇ Parallel hdf5 & SDDS output
- ◇ Multi-objective optimization
- ◇ OPAL Sampler
- ◇ Post Processing → [pyOPALTools](#)



The phase space evolution in OPAL is based on the collisionless Vlasov-Poisson equation considering electromagnetic interaction with charged particles and taking advantage of the electrostatic approximation:

$$\frac{df(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}, t)}{dt} = \gamma m_0 \partial_t f + \mathbf{p} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f + q(\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \frac{1}{\gamma m_0} \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}, t)) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} f = 0$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_{ext} + \mathbf{E}_{sc}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}_{ext} + \mathbf{B}_{sc}$$

- + Accelerator description \rightarrow Elements \rightarrow External fields $\equiv \mathbf{E}_{ext}, \mathbf{B}_{ext}$
- + Self-fields $\equiv \mathbf{E}_{sc}, \mathbf{B}_{sc} \rightarrow$ Poisson's equation \rightarrow FIELDSOLVER command
- + Initial beam \rightarrow DISTRIBUTION command
- + Particle definition \rightarrow BEAM command

Multi-Objective Optimization ^[2]^[3]

Large-scale multi-objective design optimization enables the automated identification of working points in high dimensional search and decision spaces. Multi-object optimization algorithms tackle the non-trivial task of beam dynamics studies for particle accelerators

- ◆ Multi-Objective Genetic Algorithm NSGA-II
- ◆ Optimizer is fully integrated in the OPAL framework
- ◆ Access to all OPAL statistics data
- ◆ Access to all OPAL variables as design variables
- ◆ Specify the MOOP in the OPAL input file
- ◆ Runs smoothly with more than 10000 cores
- ◆ Finds Pareto optimal solutions

[2] Y. Ineichen *et al.*, *Comput. Sci. Res. Dev.* 28, 185 (2013)

[3] N. Neveau *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams* 22, 054602 (2019)

Particle-matter interactions

OPAL combines the particle tracking through an accelerator or beamline with a Monte Carlo simulation of the beam interaction with matter [4][5]

* Energy loss

Stopping power of light ions \rightarrow $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Semi-empirical formulas of Andersen and Ziegler} \\ \text{Bethe-Bloch equation} \\ \text{Energy straggling} \end{array} \right.$

* Scattering physics

- Multiple Coulomb Scattering
- Large Angle Rutherford Scattering

[4] V. Rizzoglio *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams 20, 124702 (2017)

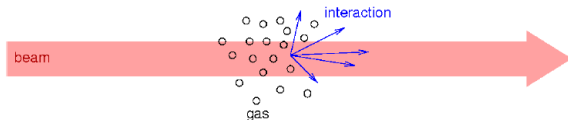
[5] V. Rizzoglio *et al.*, Nucl. Instrum. Methods A. 898, 1 (2018)

Beam stripping

Assume particles incident on a homogeneous medium subjects to a process with a mean free path λ between interactions:

$$\text{Interaction probability} \longrightarrow P(x) = 1 - e^{-x/\lambda}$$

■ Residual gas interaction



- Mean free path $\rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda} = N_{Total} \sigma_{Total}$
- Analytic expressions for cross section as a function of particle energy [6][7][8]

[6] C. F. Barnett, Tech. Rep. ORNL-6068/V1, Oak Ridge National Laboratory (1990)

[7] Y. Nakai *et al.*, At. Data Nucl. Data Tables 37, 69 (1987)

[8] T. Tabata and T. Shirai, At. Data Nucl. Data Tables 76, 1 (2000)

■ Electromagnetic stripping

Ions + Magnetic field \rightarrow Electrons and nucleus are bent in opposite direction

$$\text{Mean free path} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\beta c \gamma \tau}$$

$\tau \rightarrow$ Lifetime from formal theory of decay ^[9]

■ Beam stripping in OPAL^[10]

- New physics model implemented in OPAL-CYCL
- Beam species: p , d , H^- , H_2^+
- Residual gas composition \rightarrow air, H_2
- Secondary ions could be traced
- Beam fraction lost is evaluated individually for each particle in each step through a random number generator

[9] L. R. Scherk, Can. J. Phys. 57, 558 (1979)

[10] P. Calvo *et al.*, *Beam stripping interactions in compact cyclotrons*, ZC10188, paper accepted to be published in Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams

Adaptive Mesh Refinement [11]

► Requirements on Particle-in-Cell (PIC) Model:

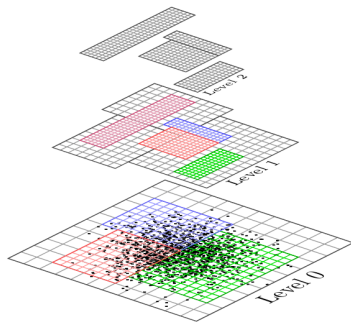
- Solving large-scale N-body problems of $\mathcal{O}(10^9 \dots 10^{10})$ particles coupled with Maxwell's equations in the electrostatic approximation
- High resolution to cover tiny halo effects = Extremely fine mesh of $\mathcal{O}(10^8 \dots 10^9)$ grid points

► Bottlenecks

- Waste of memory and resolution in regions of void

► Solution:

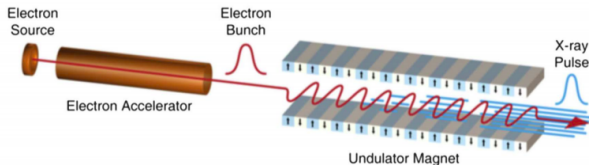
- Block-structured adaptive mesh-refinement (AMR)
- General interface to AMR libraries (in use: AMReX 2)
- Hardware independent implementation (CPU/GPU/XXX) \rightarrow Trilinos



[11] M. Frey *et al.*, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* 247, 106912 (2020)

OPAL and Radiation ^[12]

- * New OPAL Element → UNDULATOR
- * Full-wave solver (3D) attached to the undulator element
- * External C++ library → MITHRA ^[13] → Full-Wave Simulation Tool for Free Electron Lasers maintained and improved externally
- * MITHRA + OPAL ⇒ OPAL-FEL

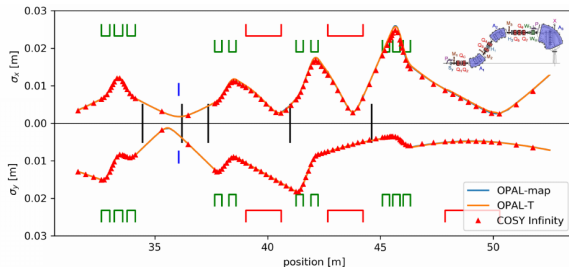
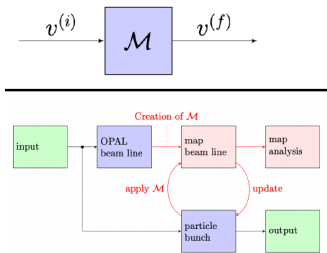


[12] A. Alba, MSc. thesis, ETH Zurich (2020)

[13] A. Fallahi *et al.*, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* 228, 192 (2018)

OPAL-MAP

- Map tracking beam optics code that computes maps for each beam line element to describe the action of the system
- The map creation is done by applying the Lie Operator on the element Hamiltonian and calculated in the Truncated Power Series
- OPAL elements available → DRIFT, DIPOLE and QUADRUPOLE



OPAL Ring Element

OPAL requires modification to adequately track FFA field maps

- ◇ OPAL-T allows tracking through a set of beam elements in linac-type geometry
- ◇ OPAL-CYCL previously hard coded to use 2D mid-plane field map + single RF cavity
- ◇ Aim to introduce the capability to track through a set of arbitrary beam elements in ring-type geometry
- ◇ Additionally introduce specific capability to track through a 3D field map in a sector-type geometry
- ◇ Analytic field scaling for FFAs

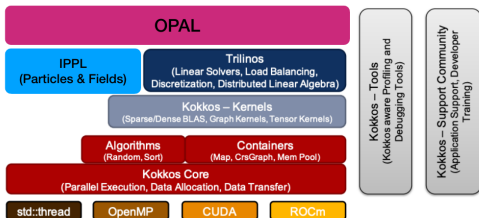
Miscellaneous

- ▷ Computing Hardware Independence and scalability → Kokkos integration
- ▷ Respond to user needs → pyOPAL
- ▷ Improving computational time → Continue consolidation & code cleanup
- ▷ Enhance physics models

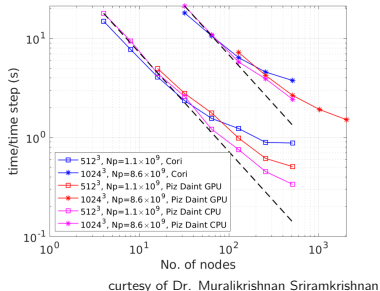
Two problems for the future we need to address now!

- ▷ Computing HW topologies are changing toward ML & data science (portability)
- ▷ Need to perform well on large heterogeneous HPC systems (scalability)

Future OPAL architecture → Exascale Machines



Preliminary scaling of relevant OPAL Kernels



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