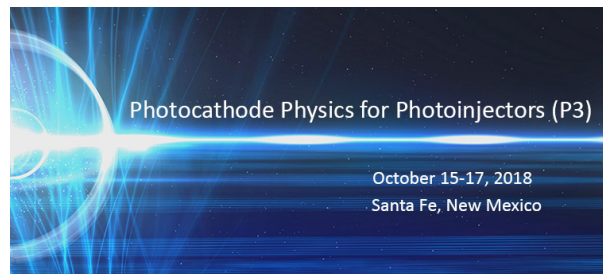


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Space-charge dominated photoemission in the photocathode RF gun at PITZ

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The Photo Injector Test facility at DESY in Zeuthen (PITZ) was built to develop and optimize high brightness electron sources for short wavelength, SC linac driven free electron lasers like FLASH and the European XFEL. High quantum-efficiency Cs₂Te photocathodes are driven by a UV laser to produce up to 5 nC charge per single electron bunch in the PITZ gun. Experimental characterization of the Cs₂Te photocathodes and the photoemission processes in the gun taking into accounts multiple machine parameters delivers a standard working point in the space-charge dominated regime. Operating the facility at the obtained working point renders an optimized transverse normalized emittance of a 1 nC electron bunch at the injector exit for the European XFEL. The talk will give an overview about the PITZ facility and the experimental and numerical studies of space-charge dominated photoemission using Cs₂Te photocathodes. In addition, an experimental observation of microseconds-order spiky intra electron bunch train photoemission from a fresh Cs₂Te photocathode at FLASH will be shown and corresponding analysis at PITZ will be presented.

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