





HELPMI: Helmholtz Laser-Plasma Metadata Initiative



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Who is our community?

HELPMI: ... Laser-Plasma ...

Ultra-intense lasers can transform plasmas into particle-accelerating structures

- Ultra-fast (fs-ps), Joule-kJ laser facilities: ICUIL.org
- Chirped pulse amplification (invented 1985, Nobel prize awarded 2018)



Schwoerer H. (2008). Particle acceleration with lasers. S. Afr. J. Sci. 104, 299-304.



https://www.icuil.org/activities/laser-labs.html, Interactive map





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- Electron acceleration and ion acceleration in high gradients, potentially reducing the accelerator's size
 - Inherent ultra-short time structure and thus high peak currents
- Accelerating structures are optically generated and transient



https://loa.ensta-paris.fr/research/upx-research-group/laser-wakefield-acceleration-lwfa/





Who are we?

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GSI

- High-energy laser system PHELIX, coupled with ion beam facilities of GSI
- Expertise in warm dense matter, high-energy density physics and energy-loss measurements

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- Operation of two independent laser systems, to be synchronized in future
- Expertise in laser-particle acceleration, high-resolution probing, X-ray physics and spectroscopy
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- Collaborations with large labs, e.g. for FEL (Soleil, FR), proton acceleration (J-Karen-P, JP), Radiobiology
- Developer of PIConGPU and main contributor to openPMD

PICon GPU



In total

6 laser systems (PHELIX, POLARIS, PENELOPE, JETI, Draco, ReLaX, DiPOLE), 5 laser architectures (Nd:Glass, Yb:Glass, Yb:CaF₂, Yb:YAG, Ti:Sapphire), many in user operation





HELPMI main goals

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Develop F.A.I.R data standard for LP community

- Develop vocabulary for laser-plasma experimental data
 - Human- and Machine-readable implementation, extensible for future developments
 - In close contact with laser-plasma community e.g. via workshops and project observers
- Extend existing openPMD standard and API towards experimental data
 - Make openPMD extensible
 - Adopt design of existing NeXus standard (from Photon-Neutron experimental community)
 - E.g. experiment geometry data, incremental analysis
 - Apply vocabulary and design features to openPMD
 - Possibly interchangeable/-operable with NeXus



Generalized and F.A.I.R. data standard for whole LP community (simulations and experiments) Connect with Photon and Neutron science community







Support from and link to HMC

Desired services

- Provision of website on national level
- Glossary hosting, validation
- Training and consulting





Interest in working groups of Cross-cutting topics

- FAIR Concepts: Glossary/Ontologies, Data formats
- HMC Semantics: Glossary/Ontologies
- Training and consulting
- Communication: Photon and Neutron science community, NeXus





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We want to help the Laser-Plasma community with data and metadata

Extend openPMD, already used in worldwide LP community, towards experimental data

- Closer and easier exchange within community
- F.A.I.R. data

Open up towards Photon and Neutron science community

Helmholtz association is capable to support such service



