



Design and testing of amplifiers for the CTF3 photo-injector laser

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Abstract

We present the design and preliminary test results for the two diode-pumped Nd:YLF amplifiers of the CTF3 photo-injector. These are designed to amplify a 1.5 GHz train of pulses to provide 3 kW pulse-train mean power in a 400 μ s macropulse after the first amplifier and 15 kW in a 200 μ s macropulse after the second. Tests of the first amplifier show good agreement with our calculations, with the output power exceeding 3.3 kW.