

SC3 | Understand laser sources



Nouveau Programme

NIVEAU : BASIC

Publics : Senior technicians and engineers (design office, R&D, fabrication / production, fabrication support, industrialization, ...) needing a first approach to work with lasers

Prérequis : Basic knowledge in physics and optics

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Langue de la formation : French

Capacité maximum : 12

Prix : 2150€ HT - **Durée** : 5 days - 35 h

Objectifs

Understand basic properties and associated technologies

Acquire a basic experimental know-how on laser sources

Operate a laser under good conditions for various applications

Interact with laser specialists or laser sales

Understand a laser data sheet

Thèmes abordés

- ▶ Laser physics and non linear optics
- ▶ Properties, technologies and applications
- ▶ Pulsed lasers
- ▶ Laser safety
- ▶ Laser alignment (labworks)
- ▶ Laser characterization (labworks)
- ▶ Laser propagation through optical systems (labworks)

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Basic principles

- ▶ Light-matter interaction, spontaneous emission, stimulated emission, absorption, cross section, amplification, gain, oscillation threshold, output power

Non linear optic

- ▶ Principles and application to frequency doubling and sum frequency generation

Laser properties, gaussian beams

Laser technology

- ▶ Gas lasers, solid state lasers, laser diodes, fiber lasers

The laser market worldwide

Laser applications

- ▶ Material processing, optical telecommunications, sensing, measurements, biomedical...

Pulsed lasers

- ▶ Q-switched and mode-locked lasers and related technologies

Laser safety

- ▶ Effets on tissues, standards, caution of use

Labworks and experimental demos

- ▶ He Ne laser: cavity alignment, observation and characterization of transverse and longitudinal modes
- ▶ Laser diode: angular and spectral characterisation, effect of the temperature and of the driving current on the output characteristics
- ▶ Second harmonic generation in a KDP crystal
- ▶ Flashpumped Nd:YAG laser: energetic and temporal characterization, alignment and observation of different pulsed regims: free running and passive Q-switching
- ▶ Diode pumped Nd:YVO4 in passive mode-lock operation: alignment and pulse measurement by autocorrelation
- ▶ Laser beam propagation through an optical system

Méthodologie et évaluation

This training is based on three mains axis:

- ▶ basics principles
- ▶ overview of technologies
- ▶ a solid experimental training on lasers