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Cylindrical short-pulse Child-Langmuir law¹ WEE SHING KOH, LAY KEE ANG, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore — Laser-driven short pulses have been prevalently used in photo-injectors to produce extremely high current densities. If the pulse length of the short-pulse current is less than the transit time across the gap, the space-charge-limiting (SCL) current density of the electron beam exceeds that of the classical long-pulse limit as given by the Child-Langmuir (CL) Law. The 1D short-pulse CL law for a planar electrode has been derived with verification from PIC simulation [1]. The extension to the 2D and 3D models of the short-pulse CL law has also been presented recently [2]. In the long pulse limit, the 2D and 3D CL laws for both planar and cylindrical diodes have also been developed [3]. In this paper, we will present the 1D and 2D short-pulse CL law in the coaxial cylinder configuration for both convergent and divergent flows. The analytical results will be compared with 2D PIC simulation results. [1] Ágúst Valfells *et. al.*, “Effects of pulse-length and emitter area in virtual cathode formation in electron guns”, *Phys. Plasmas* 9, 2377 (2002). [2] W. S. Koh and L. K. Ang, “Two-dimensional Short-Pulse Child-Langmuir Law”, *The 32nd International Conference on Plasma Science (ICOPS)*, N05CH37707, 3P38, pp. 298 (2005). [3] W. S. Koh, *et. al.*, Three-dimensional Child-Langmuir law for hot electron emission, *Phys. Plasmas* 12, 053107 (2005). Email: elkang@ntu.edu.sg

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