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Abstract:It is shown by simulations that terahertz (THz) radiation can be produced more efficiently by a mid-infrared laser pulse from a gas target. The THz amplitude is enhanced by 35 times as the laser wavelength increases from 1  $\mu\text{m}$  to 4  $\mu\text{m}$ ; a 4  $\mu\text{m}$  laser at 1015  $\text{Wcm}^2$  produces 5  $\text{MV}=\text{cm}$  THz radiation. The THz amplitude changes oscillatingly with increasing laser intensity for a given laser wavelength. In addition, the laser intensity threshold for the THz emission is lower for a longer laser wavelength.

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