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# Opportunities and Challenges of Using High Brightness Beams from PWFA Injectors

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# A Roadmap for Future Colliders Based on Advanced Accelerators Contains Key Elements for Experiments and Motivates FACET-II

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## Advanced Accelerator Development Strategy Report

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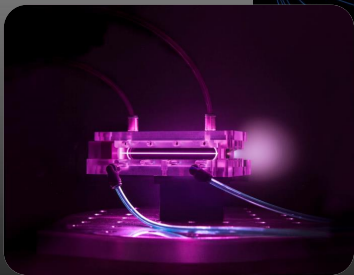
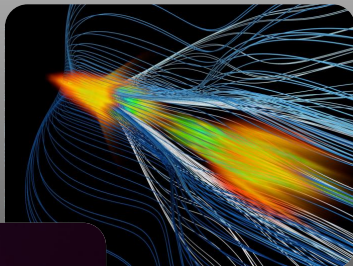
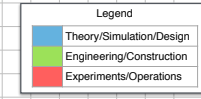
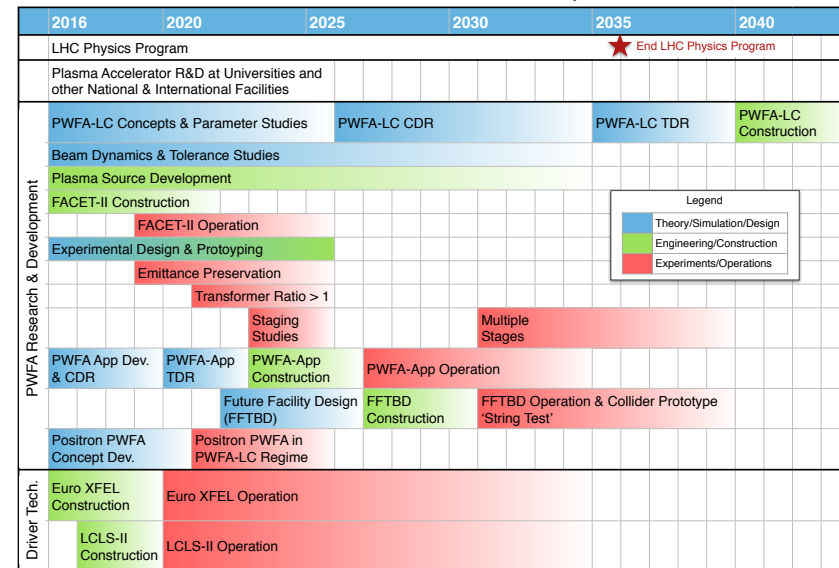


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Beam Driven Plasma Accelerator Roadmap for HEP



### Key Elements for PWFA over next decade:

- **Beam quality** – build on 9 GeV high-efficiency FACET results with focus on emittance
- **Positrons** – use FACET-II positron beam identify optimum regime for positron PWFA
- **Injection** – ultra-high brightness sources, **staging studies** with external injectors
- **Develop PWFA demonstration facility**

## Task Force Members

Following the roadmap exercise, SLAC task force looked at some candidate 'off-ramp' applications

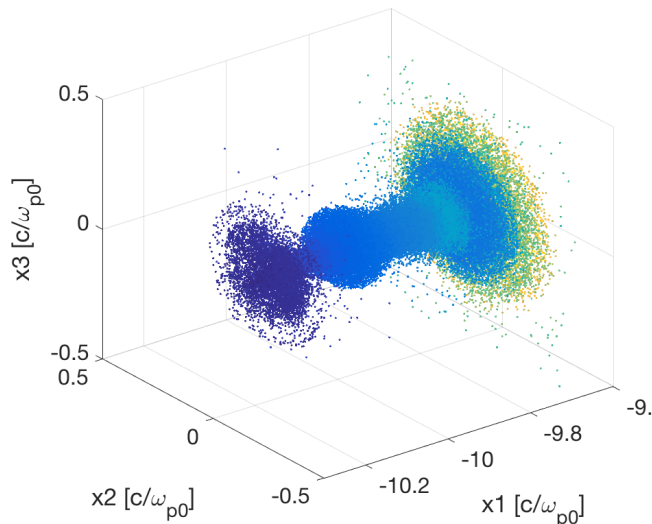
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FACET-II has prompted renewed interest and recent updates led by Claudio (FEL), Xinlu (Injector) and Ago (All things attosecond)

# Considering PWFA Technology for FEL Applications

## FACET-II Driver

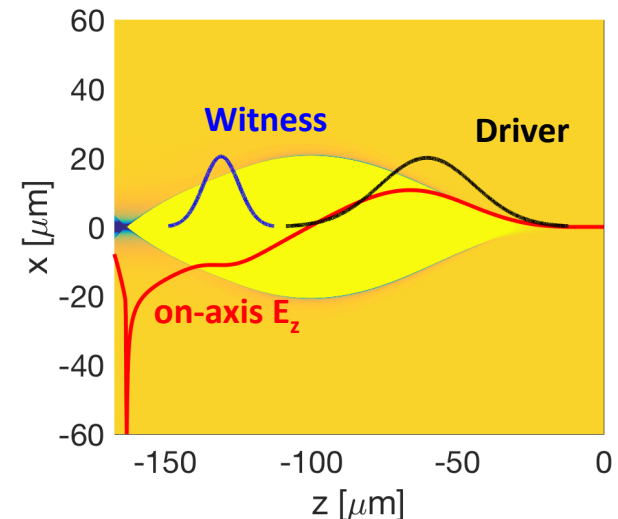
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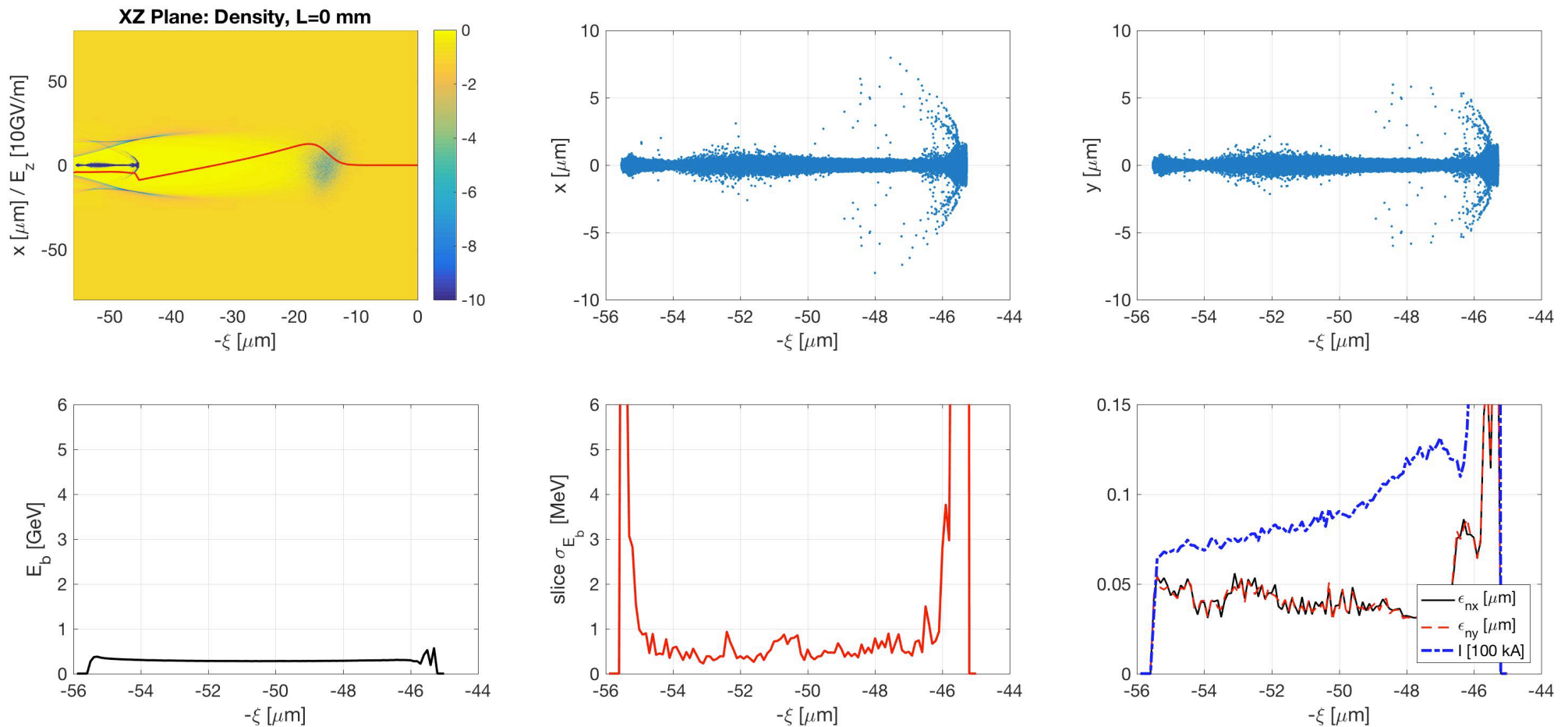


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# Example Density Downramp Injection Simulation

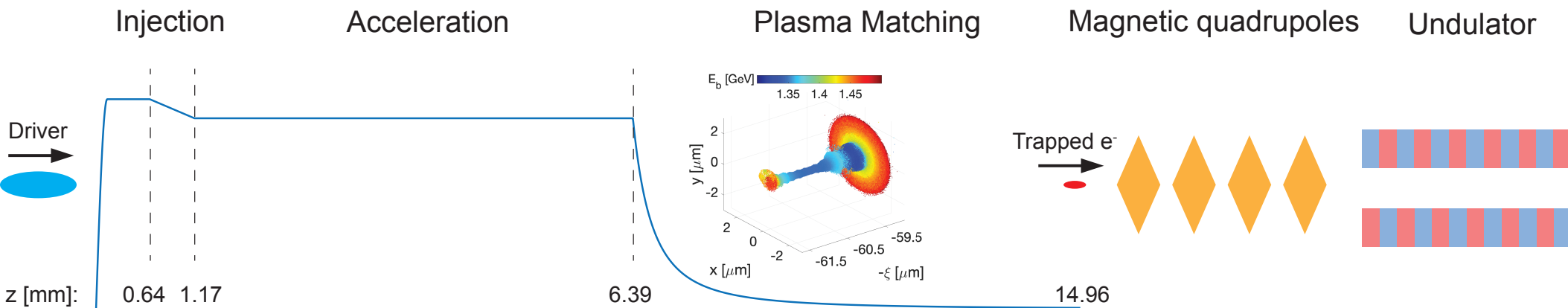


- Target beam parameters:  $E \sim 10\text{GeV}$ ,  $I_{pk} \sim 10\text{kA}$ ,  $\epsilon_n \sim 50\text{nm}$
- Concentrated on DDR, but benefits & complexities of other injection techniques (ionization, TH, CP...) also need to be evaluated



# Plasma Injector for FEL – a Group Idea and Effort

**Proposal & Opportunity:** Use FACET-II linac to drive a high-brightness plasma injector in FACET experimental area. Consider a second beam line to inject this new beam into the LCLS linac to diagnose, prepare and inject into existing undulators.

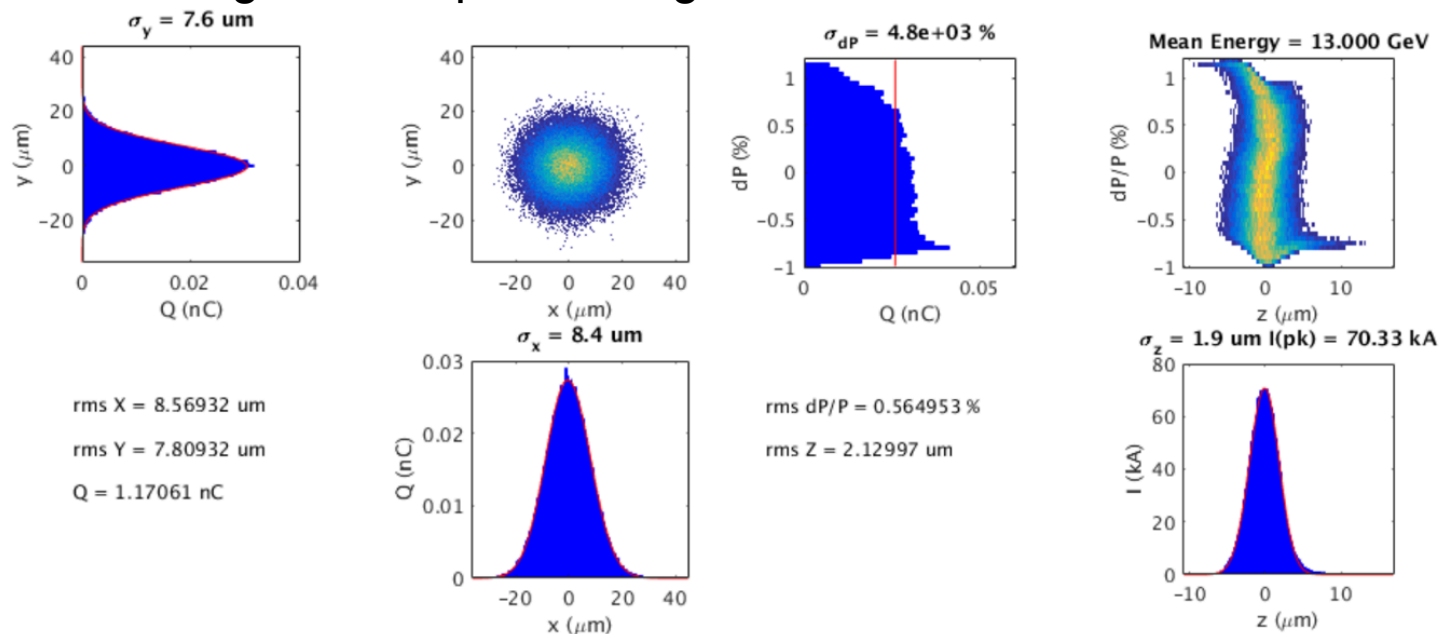


**Challenge:** Extreme parameters across the board: Peak current, emittance, high-density cm-length plasmas with 100's  $\mu\text{m}$  precision tailored density profile, tolerances, drive beam preparation and extraction...and preserving brightness of high current beam in 1km of linac!

# Start to End Particle Tracking for FACET-II

- Track 20M macro particles from the cathode to the IP
- IMPACT-T for cathode to the entrance of L1 at 135 MeV
- Entrance of L1 to the IP tracked using the 6D tracking code Lucretia, including wakefields, ISR, CSR and longitudinal space charge effects

Spoiler foils used to smooth beam profile and minimize incoming noise/correlations on drive beam



Requires  $< 10\%$  transverse asymmetry in drive beam  
Correlations and noise can trigger hosing – numerical, real?

FACET-II accelerator compression and focusing systems need to be optimized to minimize beam asymmetries and correlations

# Plasma Cell Optics – Match Drive Beam In & Injected Beam Out

Deliver drive beam to plasma:

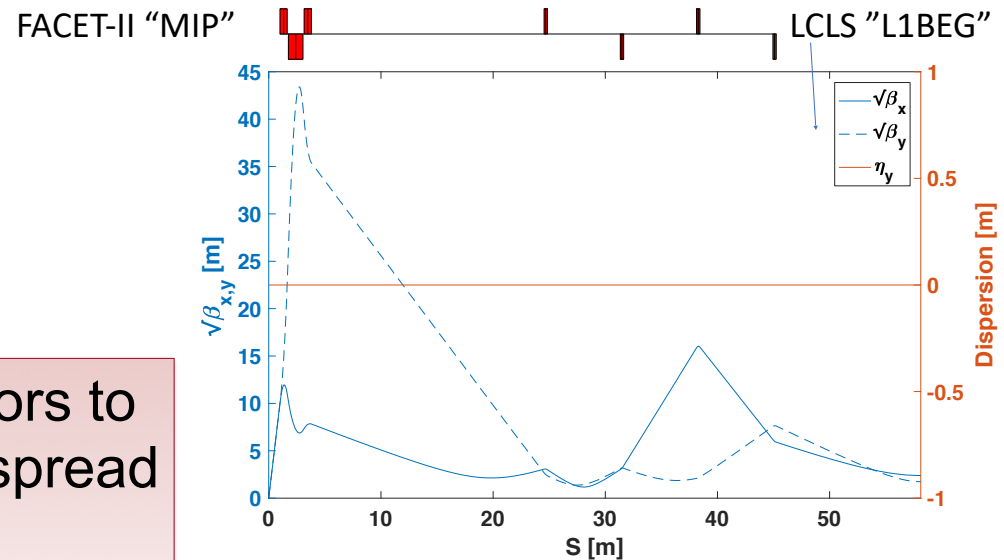
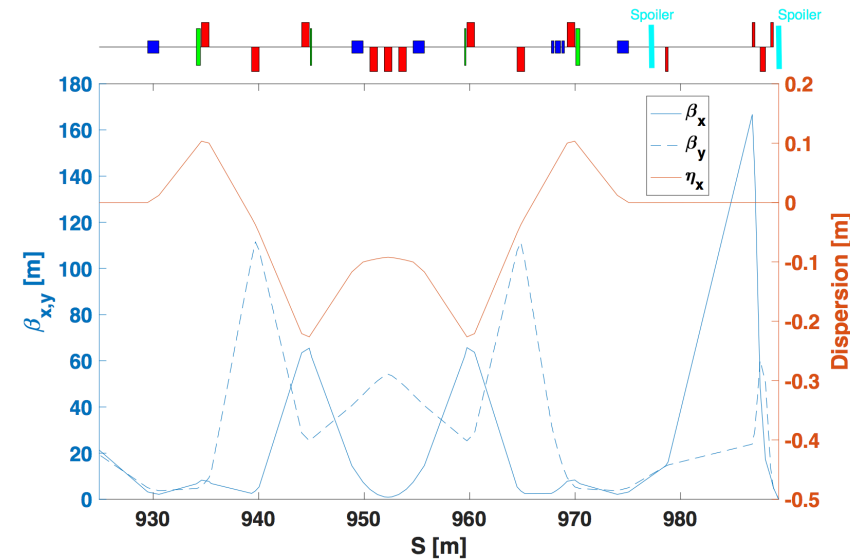
- Redesigned BC20 & FFS
- Aberrations @ IP minimized
- $Q = 2 \text{ nC}$ ,  $\beta_{x,y}^* = 5 \text{ cm}$ ,  $\sigma_{x,y}^* = 8 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ,  $I_{pk} = 70 \text{ kA}$
- Emittance increased 6- $\rightarrow$ 15  $\mu\text{m-rad}$  using spoilers to symmetrize beam

Match output from plasma cell to LCLS

- $E = 2.5 \text{ GeV}$
- $\beta_{x,y}^* = 1 \text{ cm}$
- $Q = 20 \text{ pC}$
- $I_{pk} = 10 \text{ kA}$
- $0.8 \text{ fs (rms)}$
- $\epsilon_{x,y} = 0.05 \text{ }\mu\text{m-rad}$

Extraction is a reverse final focus system and wants percent level energy spread, not the large chirps common in many PWFA injection beams

Exit energy and chirp are important factors to limit degradation of emittance & energy spread – loading, de-chirpers...

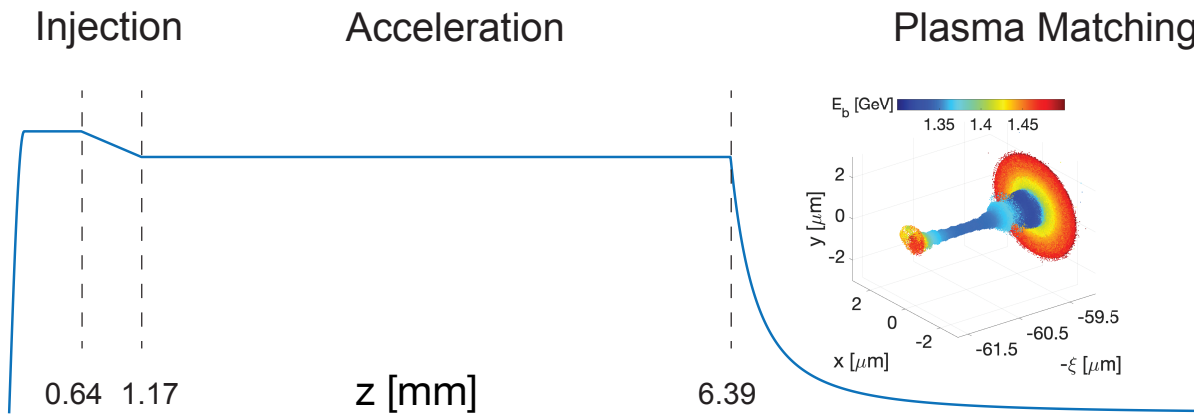


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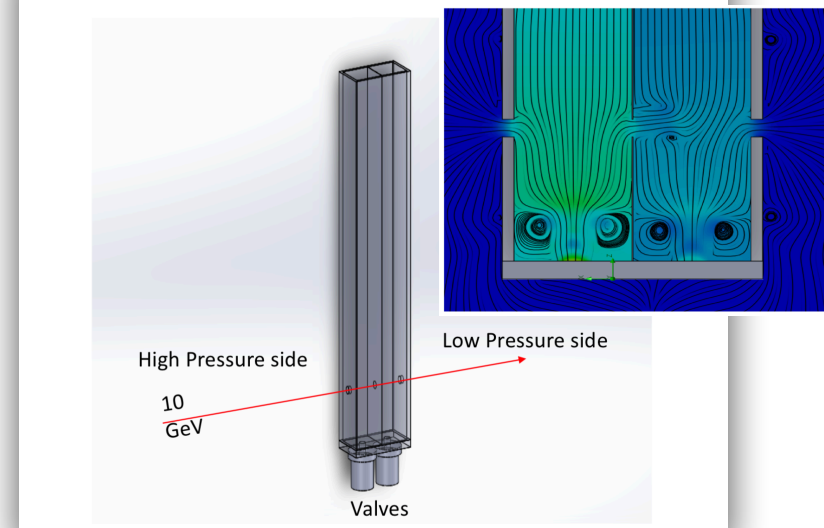


# Plasma Sources are Active Area of R&D

- The plasma serves many functions: injector, accelerator, focusing system...
- Injected beam brightness proportional to the plasma density
- Density downramp injection requires control of plasma density profile over length scales from 100's of microns to 10's of centimeters
- Specialized gas targets will need to be developed

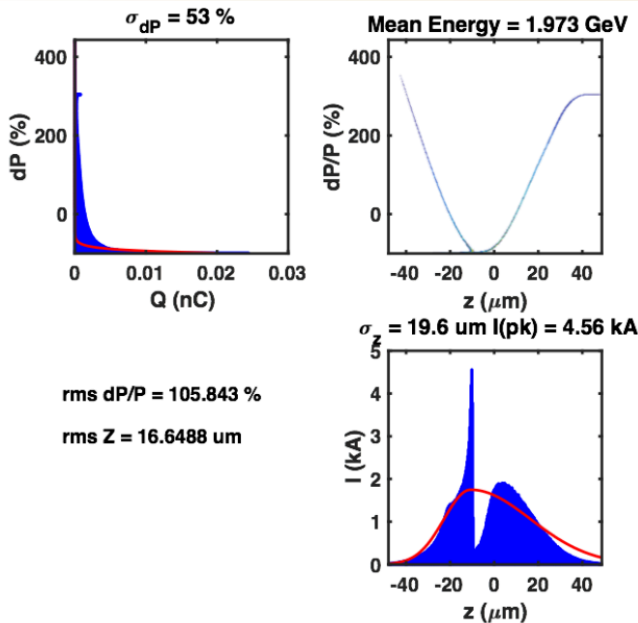


Double Gas Cell with Density Step



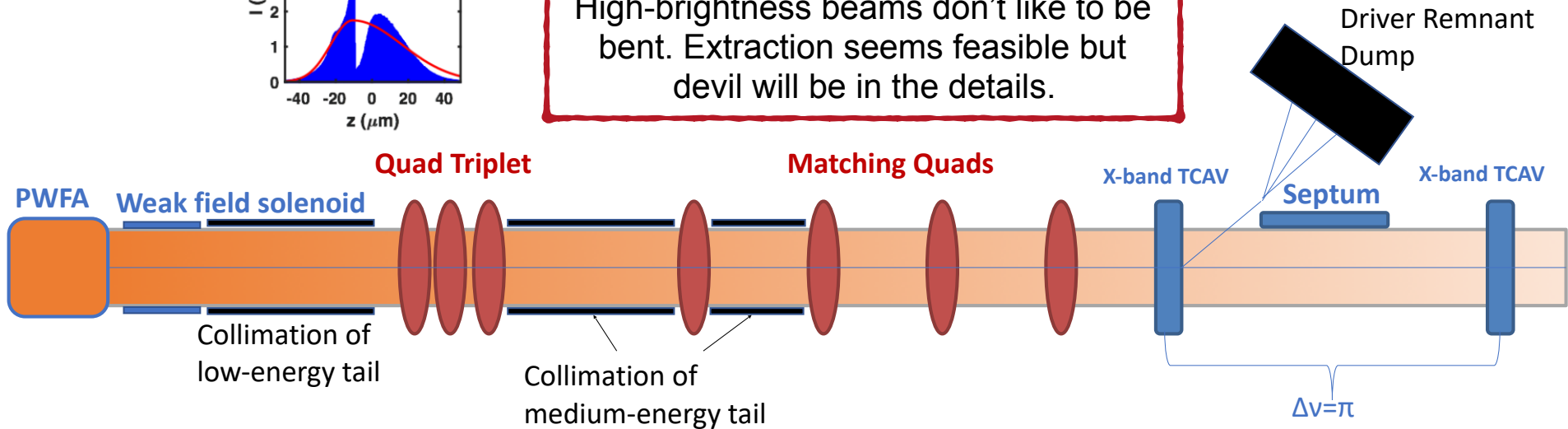
Suitable plasma sources need to be developed and demonstrated – may use mechanical or optical techniques for generating optimal profile

# Plasma Extraction & Collimation/Dump Layout



- Low energy tail of driver bunch is collimated after initial magnet elements
- Remnant of driver separated by TCAV and septum bend
- Beam quality of witness beam preserved

High-brightness beams don't like to be bent. Extraction seems feasible but devil will be in the details.



Power loss seems manageable at 120Hz. Detailed design will depend on details of phase space of exiting beams

- Since task force concluded there is renewed interest in studying high-brightness PWFA beams for FEL applications
- Current focus is on soft X-rays and attosecond pulses, aiming for shorter pulses and higher peak power than available with LCLS
- Will discuss two here:
  1. Attosecond PWFA-FEL schemes – PLEASE (with/without external laser)
  2. PWFA-FEL with an advanced gradient undulator



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# PWFA FEL Summary Slides

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# Attosecond pulses from PWFA + eSASE-FEL (PLEASE)

## Plasma-driven Laser-Enhanced Amplified Spontaneous Emission

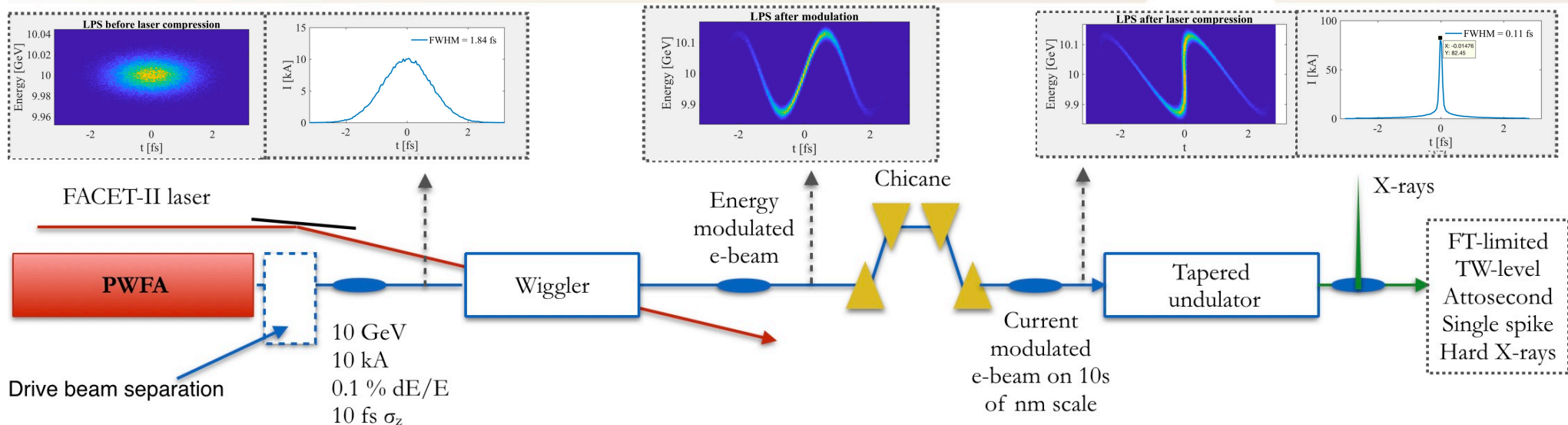
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### Goal:

- Generate very short (10s of as) X-ray pulses taking advantage of high brightness ultra-low emittance (nm level) beam from plasma photo injector.

### Approach:

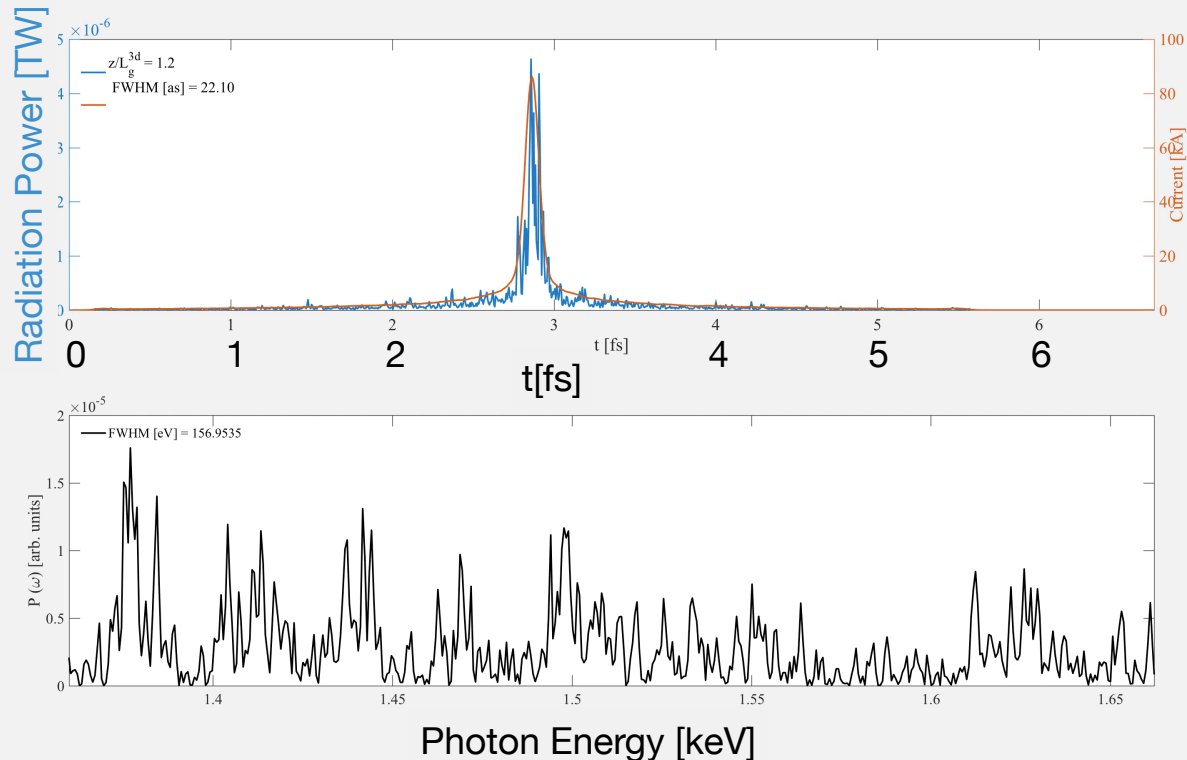
- Use laser-based compression to reduce pulse length from ~fs to ~as level with a short wiggler & chicane
- Note: initially investigated with aspirational beam parameters, heading to start to end simulations now



# GENESIS Simulation Results and Future Study

- Simulation gives 2 TW power in 5 m with FWHM 42 as and 46 eV bandwidth
- Time-bandwidth product is 1.93 eV\*fs, very close to the Fourier limit (1.8 eV\*fs)
- Future study needed to quantify emittance degradation in compression process and design drive beam separation

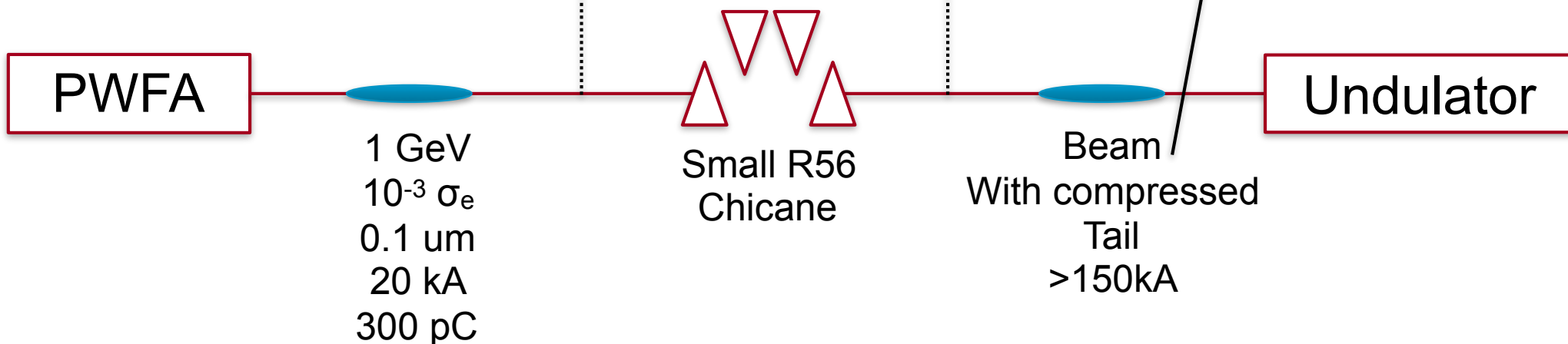
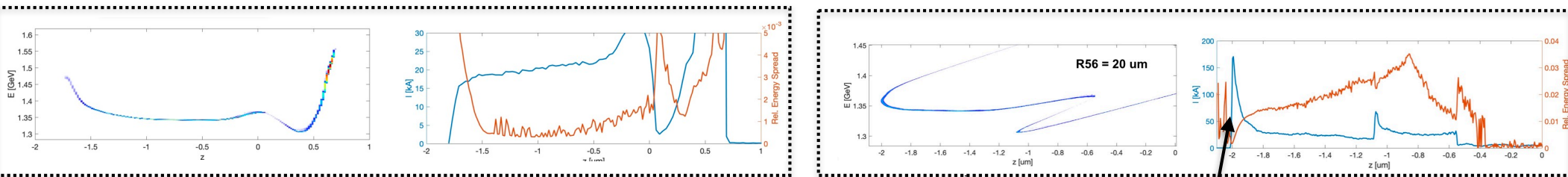
Electron Beam	Value
Energy	10 GeV
Peak Current	10 kA
Emittance	50 nm
Energy Spread (pre-compression)	$10^{-3}$
<b>Undulator (LCLS-II SXRU)</b>	
Period	3.9 cm
Peak K (planar)	5.5
<b>FEL parameters</b>	
Photon Energy	1.5 keV
Pierce Parameter (80 kA after compression)	$10^{-2}$
Gain Length	25 cm



# Attosecond Pulses from PWFA - no External Laser and Wiggler

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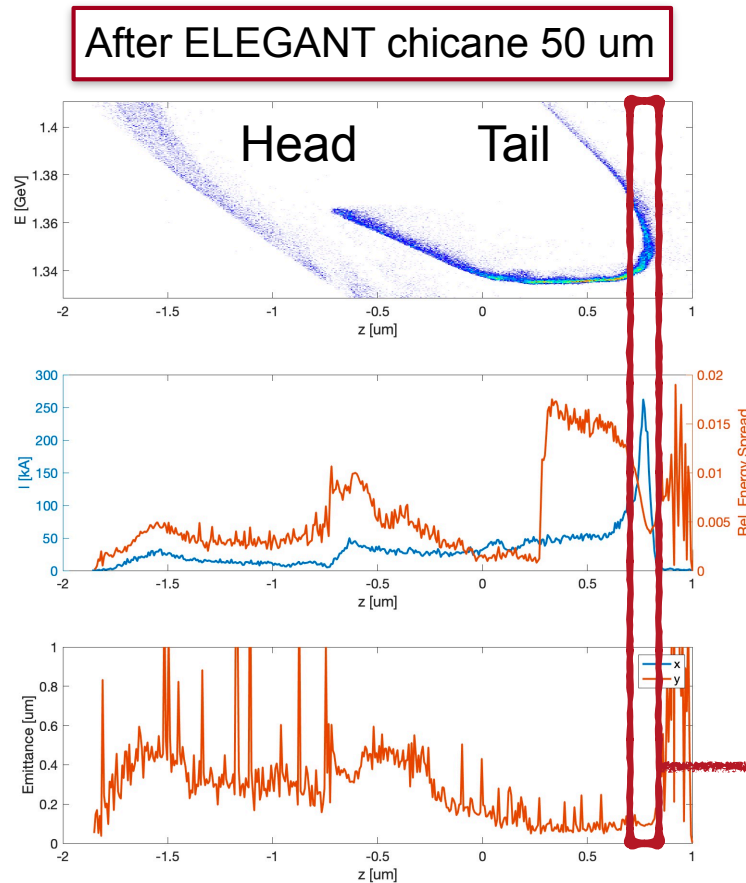
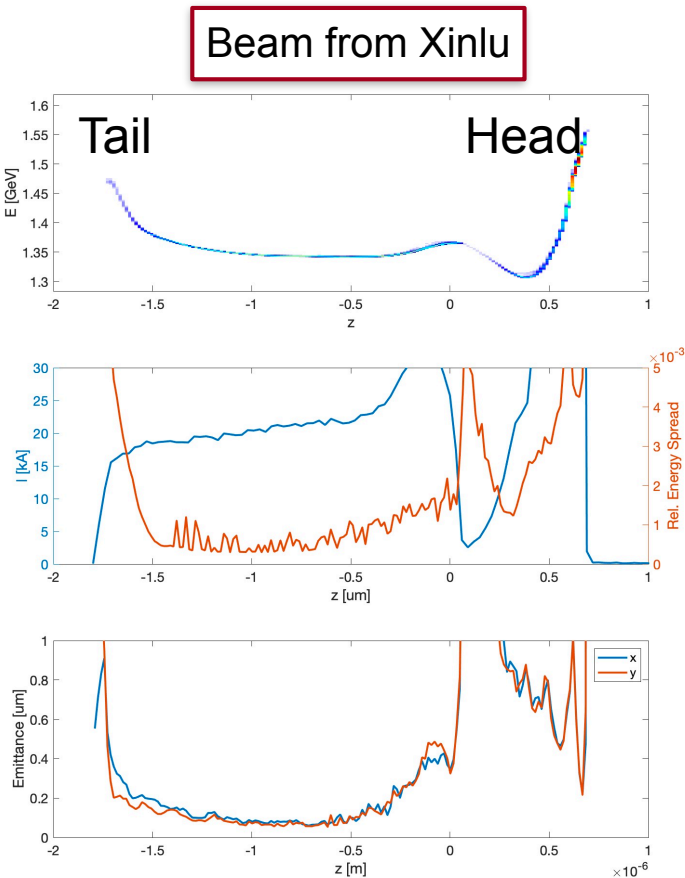
- Use quadratic chirp at the tail of the high quality PWFA accelerated beam to compress in a small chicane and generate short current spike at tail
- Lase on the tail spike in a short undulator and get TW-level short pulses



Now using beam phase space from actual DDR simulations enroute to start-to-end. Matching and extraction etc still to come

# Simulating the Effect of the Small Chicane on PWFA Beam

- There doesn't appear to be any emittance growth due to CSR
- CSR model is 1D formula from Stupakov which is employed in ELEGANT



Chicane parameters	Value
Bend Length	15 cm
Drift Length	0.9 m
Bend Angle	32 mrad
Simulation parameters	
# bins for CSR wake in bend	500
# kicks in bend	100
Interval between CSR kicks in drift after bend	1 cm

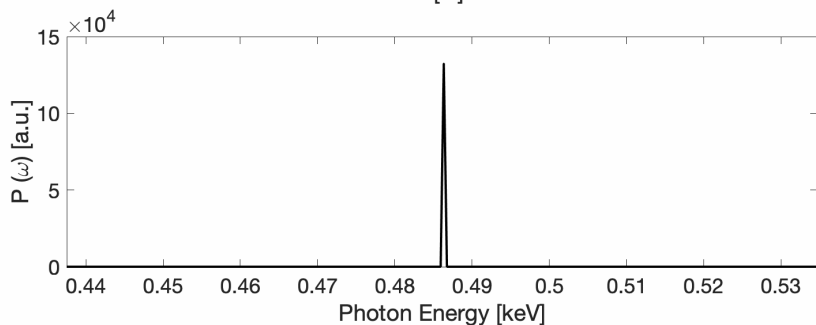
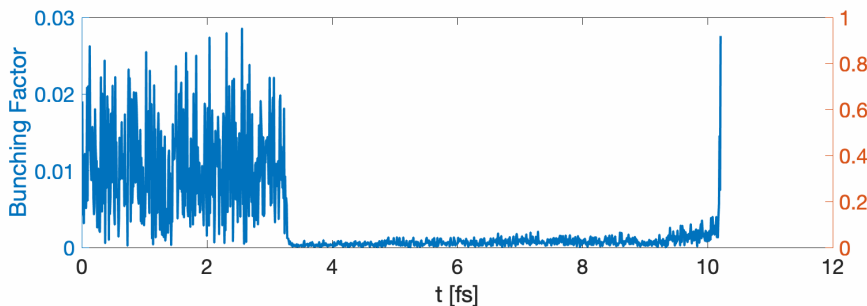
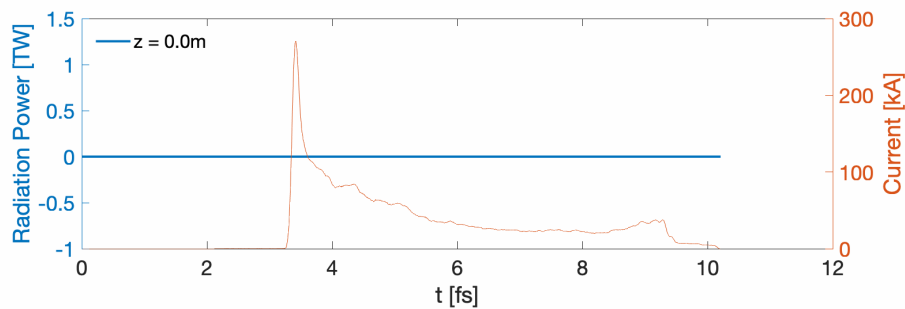
250kA peak current,  
0.2 mm-mrad



# GENESIS Results at 500eV with Beam from ELEGANT Chicane



- 1 TW in a 2m undulator with 260 as FWHM and a nearly single spike bandwidth of 4.86 eV
- Still room to play with taper optimization



E-Beam	Parameter
Energy	1.3 GeV
Peak Current	250 kA (tail)
Emittance (x,y)	0.18 um
Energy Spread	$10^{-3}$
Beta Function	20 m
Rms Spot size	35 um
<b>Undulator</b>	<b>(LCLS-II SXRU)</b> $\Delta K/K = -0.05$
Period	2 cm
Peak K (planar)	1.25
Photon Energy	500 eV

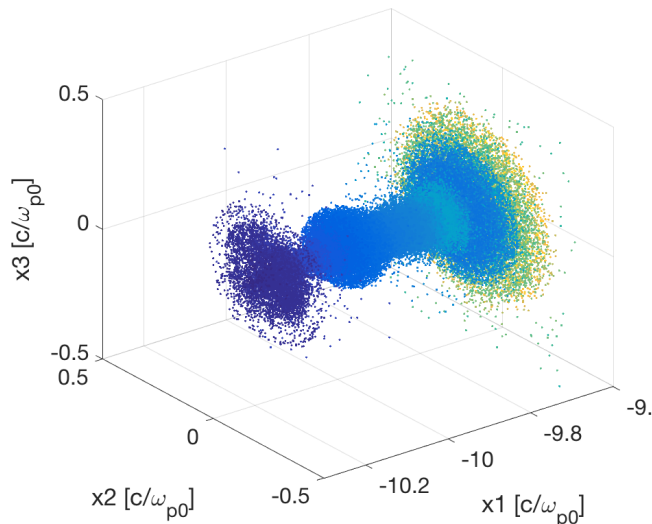
## List of ongoing & further studies

- Drive beam optimization to remove residual correlations etc
- Jitter analysis & optimization to minimize or mitigate orbit errors into undulator and quantify tolerances
- Plasma source design with correct density profile & ionization method
- Refine injection for better loading or add de-chirper
- Refine extraction and collimation optics
- FEL performance optimization
- ...

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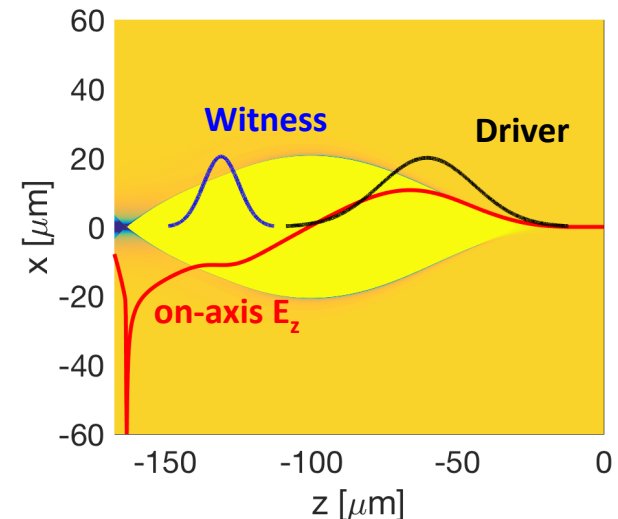
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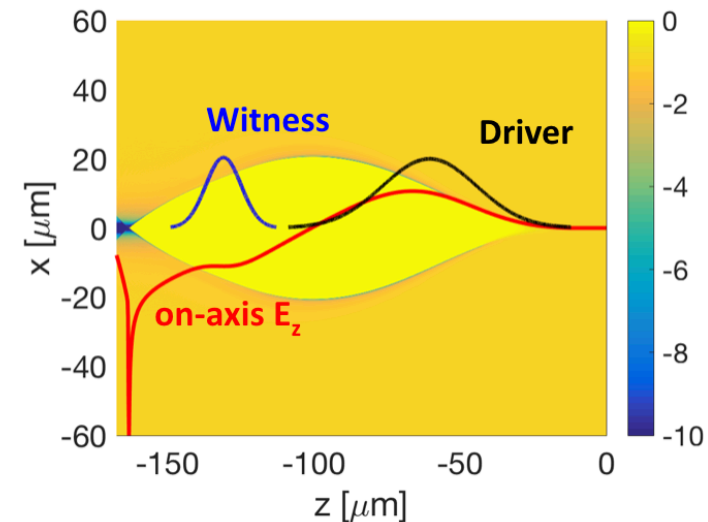


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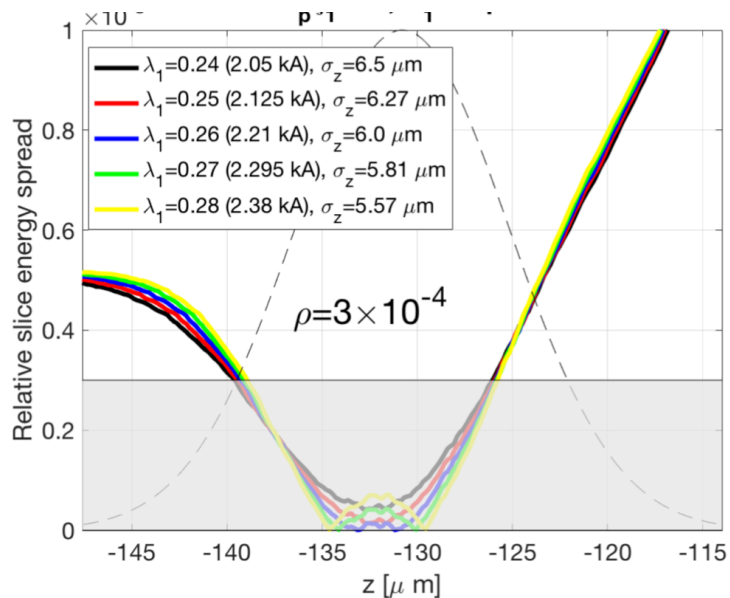
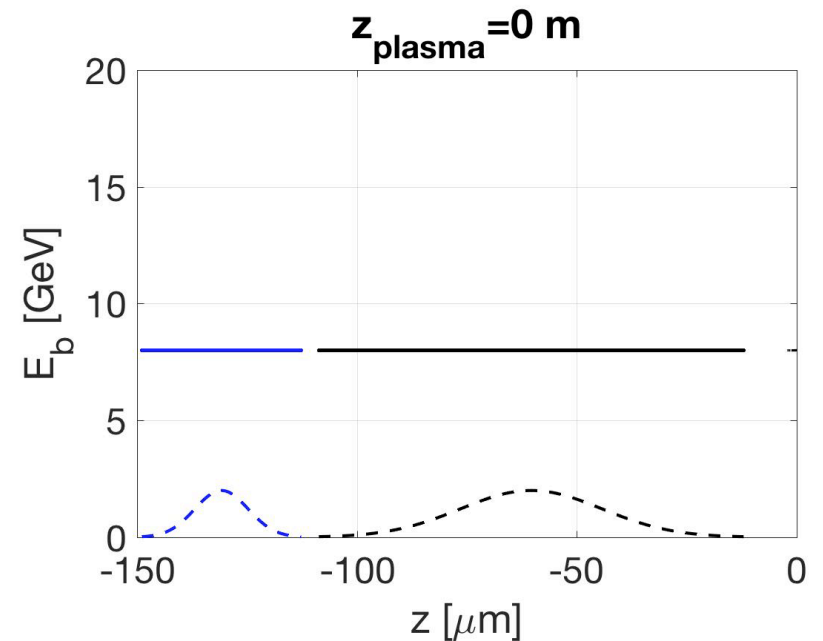
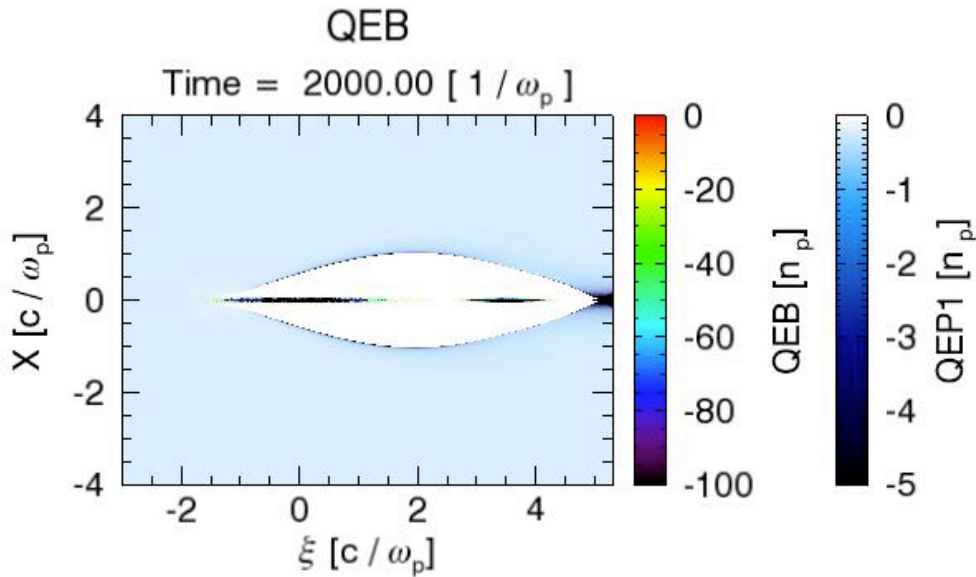
# LCLS-II HE Afterburner Parameters

- With proper choice of plasma density can double the energy of a witness beam, preserve emittance at  $0.4\mu\text{m}$  level and load the wake for narrow energy spread
- For Gaussian beams  $\sim 70\%$  of energy doubled beam has desirable slice  $dE/E$  for good FEL performance
- Fairly insensitive to variations in witness beam bunch length, charge and separation from drive beam
- Creating this pulse structure from LCLS-II is non-trivial

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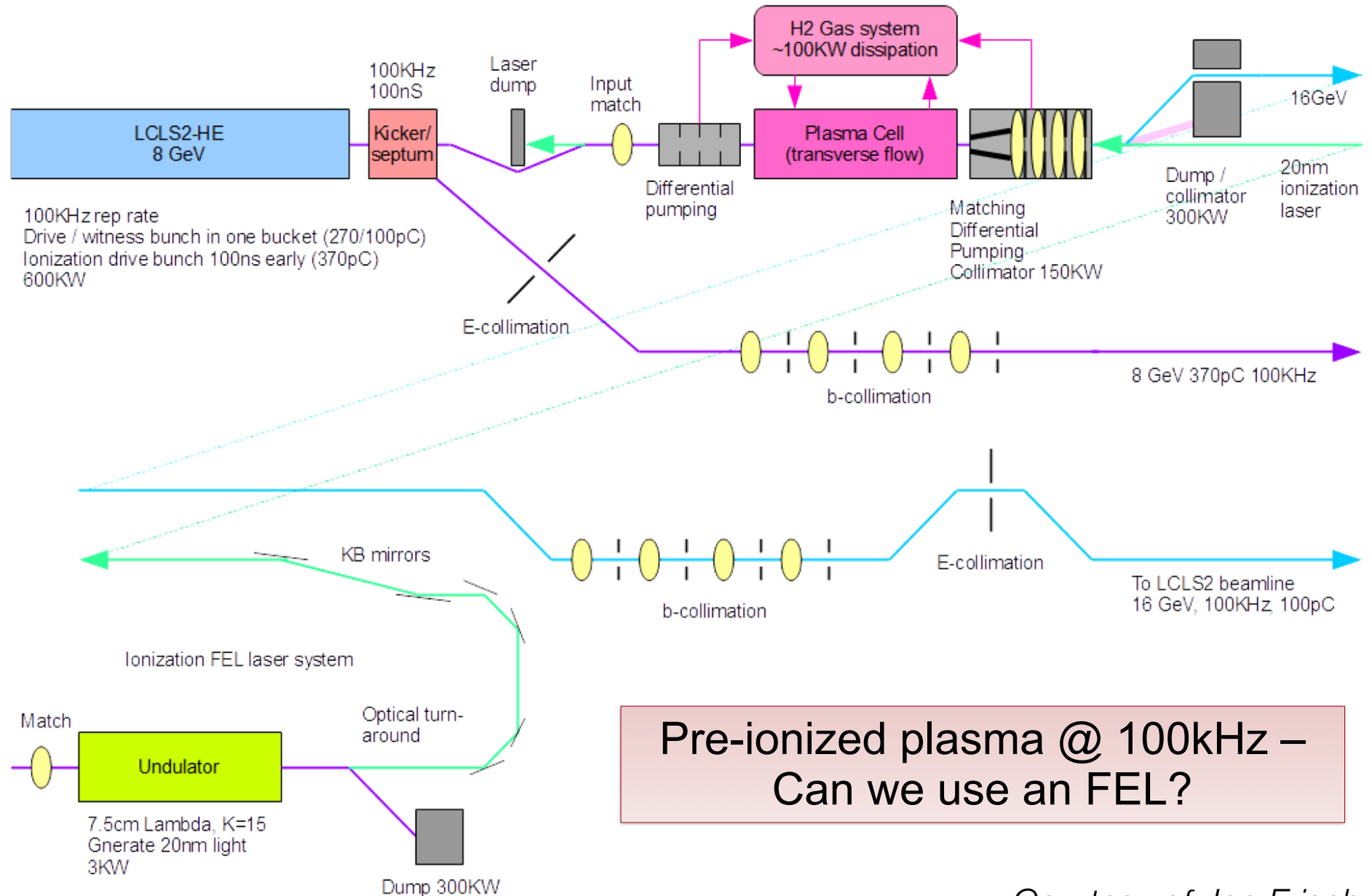


# Use QuickPIC to Model Expected Performance



Lower charge with preserved emittance will impact peak FEL performance. Produces higher energy beams for shorter wavelengths and high average power.

# Components for LCLS-II HE Energy Doubler are Similar to High Brightness Injector with Some Important Differences



Pre-ionized plasma @ 100kHz –  
 Can we use an FEL?

Courtesy of Joe Frisch

# Ion Motion May Affect the Energy Spread – Important for FEL Applications

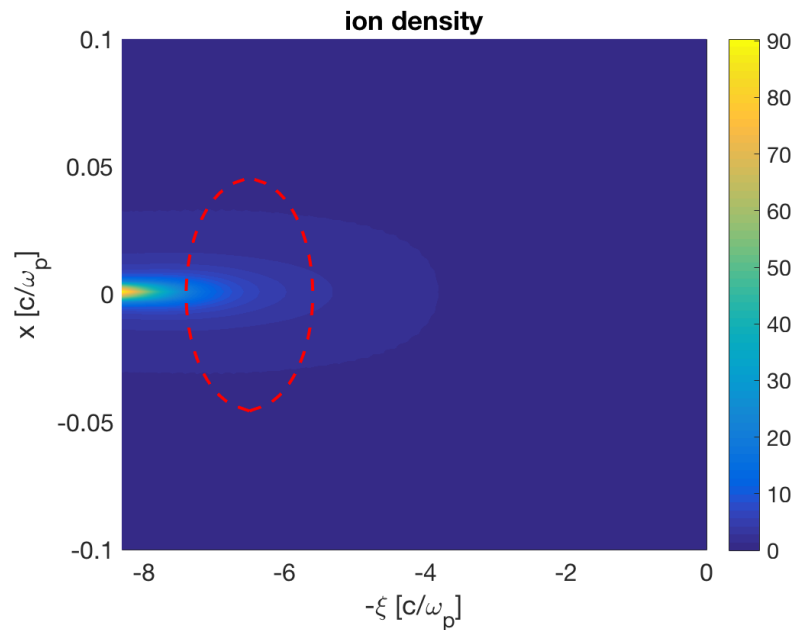


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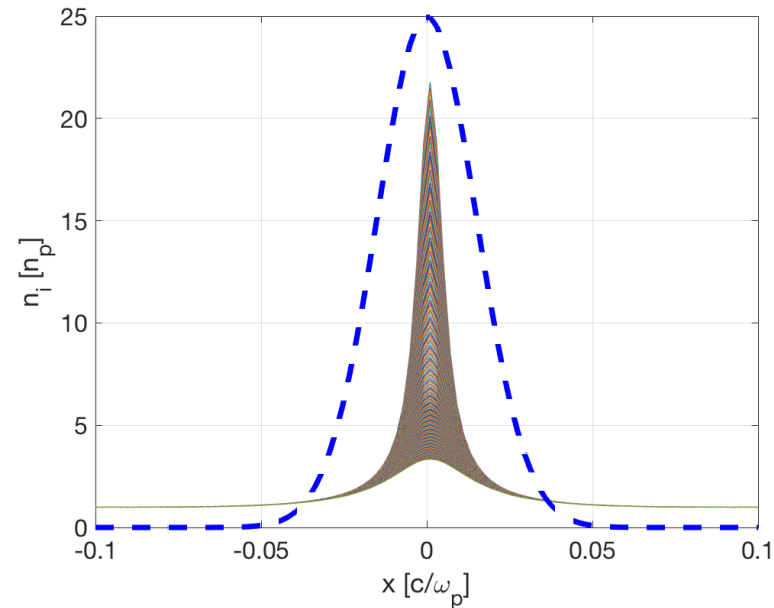
Peak beam density will cause slight ion motion

- $n_d \approx 350 n_p$
- $n_w \approx 1000 n_p$
- $m_i = 1836 m_e$

## QuickPIC one-step simulation



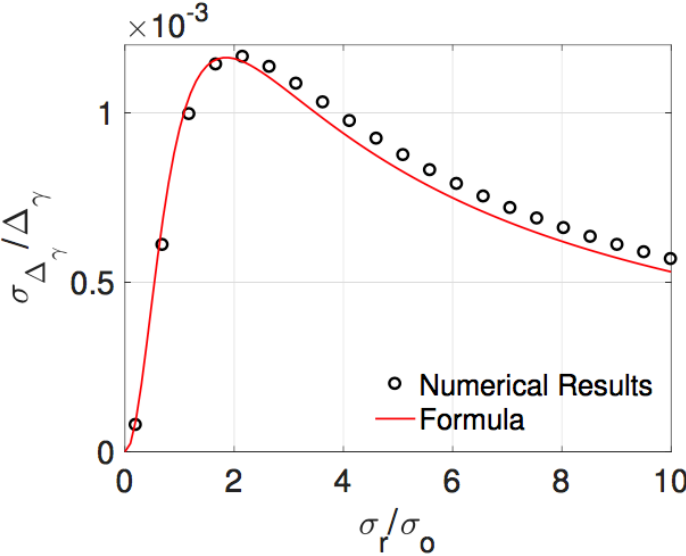
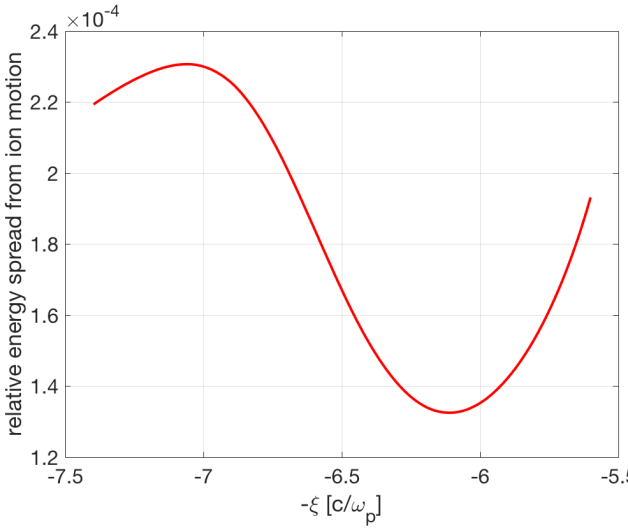
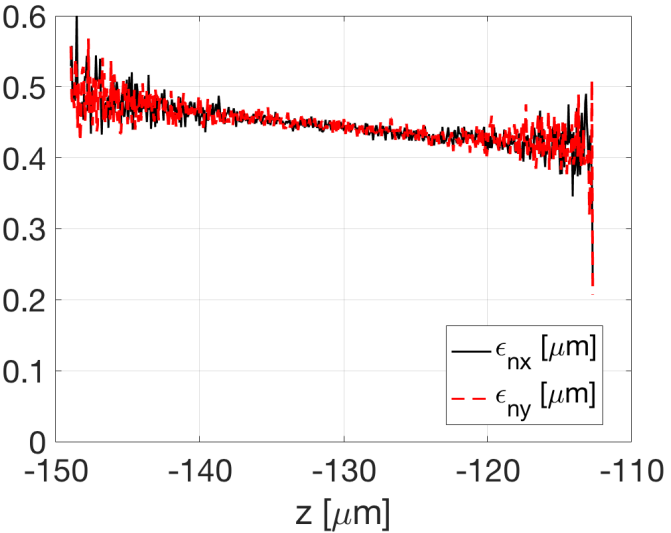
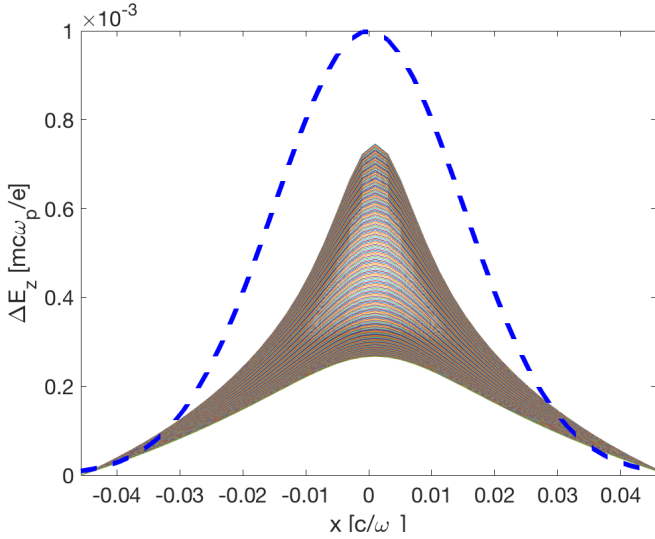
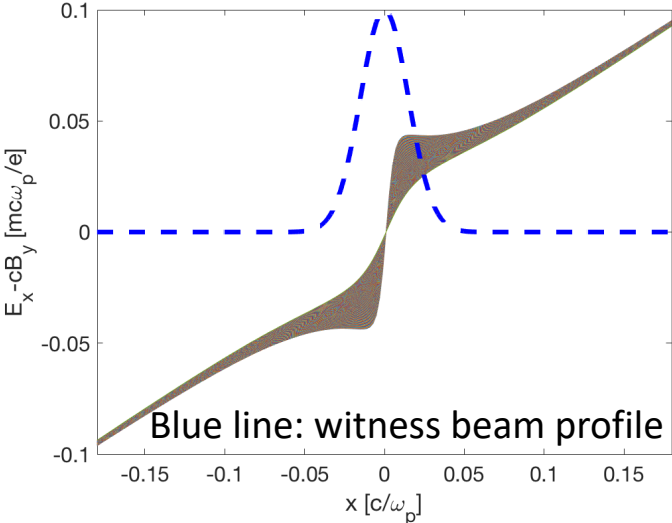
Red line: 3-sigma boundary of the witness beam



Blue line: witness beam profile

# Ion Motion Causes Aberration to Focusing & Accelerating Fields

Transverse and longitudinal fields connected through the Panofsky-Wenzel Theorem





# Output Jitter Can Reduce FEL Performance

## Review of x-ray free-electron laser theory

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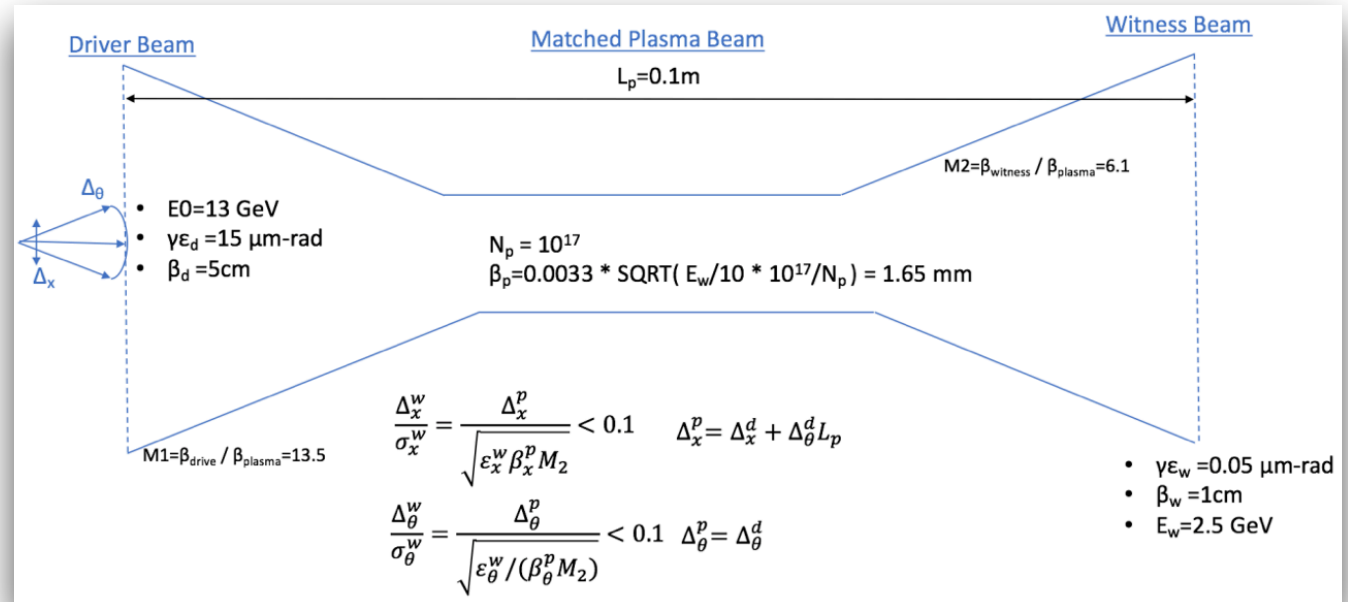
$$\left(\frac{\Delta_y^w}{\sigma_y^w}\right)^2 = \frac{L^2 N^2 \{\epsilon_y^d / \beta_d M\}}{\epsilon_y^w \beta_w M} \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\frac{\Delta_\theta^w}{\sigma_\theta^w}\right)^2 = 0$$

### B. Beam trajectory errors

The effects of nonstraight beam trajectory may be illustrated with a heuristic 3D model when a microbunched beam is kicked by a single error dipole field (e.g., a misaligned quadrupole) [95]. While the direction of the beam trajectory changes after the kick by a deflecting angle  $\phi$ , the wavefront orientation normal to the microbunching plane does not. This discrepancy results in two mechanisms for gain degradation: a decrease in coherent radiation power and an increased smearing of microbunching due to the intrinsic angular spread. Both mechanisms are characterized by a critical angle [95]

$$\phi_c = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_1}{L_G}}, \quad (118)$$

and the power gain length after the kick becomes approximately  $L_G / (1 - \phi^2 / \phi_c^2)$ . In the LCLS case,  $\phi_c \approx 6 \mu\text{rad}$  at  $\lambda_1 = 1.5 \text{ \AA}$  for  $L_G \approx 4 \text{ m}$ .



G. R. White and T. O. Raubenheimer, Proc. IPAC'19. doi:10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2019-THPGW087

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Realizing the benefits of ultra-low emittance beams will require tight tolerances on orbit jitter into undulator

# FEL Performance Using LCLS-II HXR Undulators – Typically $\mu\text{J}$ of Energy per pulse and GW Peak Power

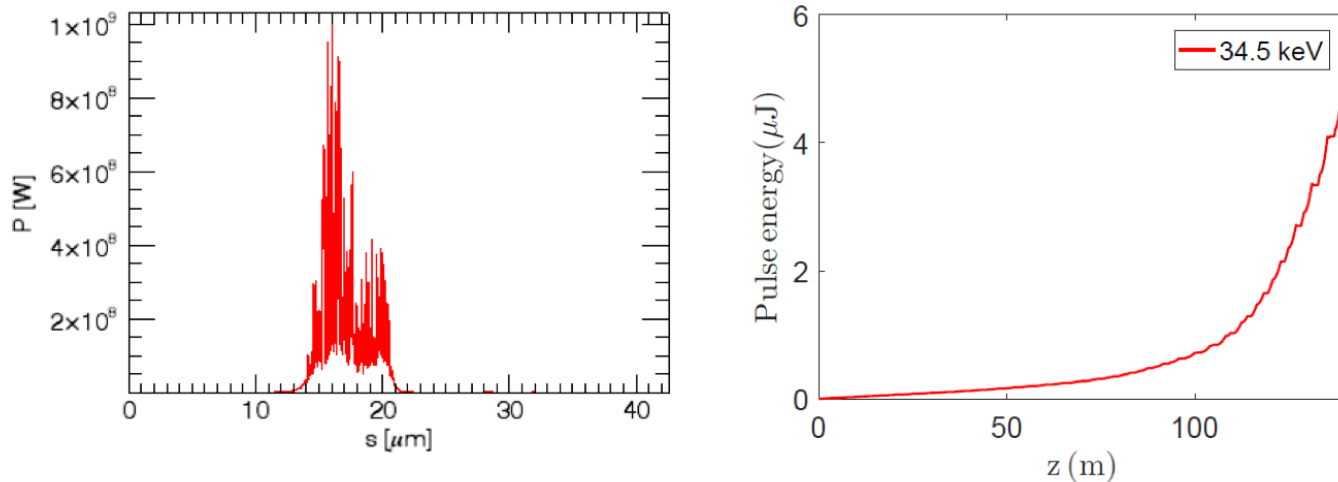


Figure 2: Radiation power along the bunch (left) and pulse energy along the undulator (right) for the 34.5 KeV case. The left plot assumes  $z = 140$  m (the nominal end of the LCLS-II lattice).

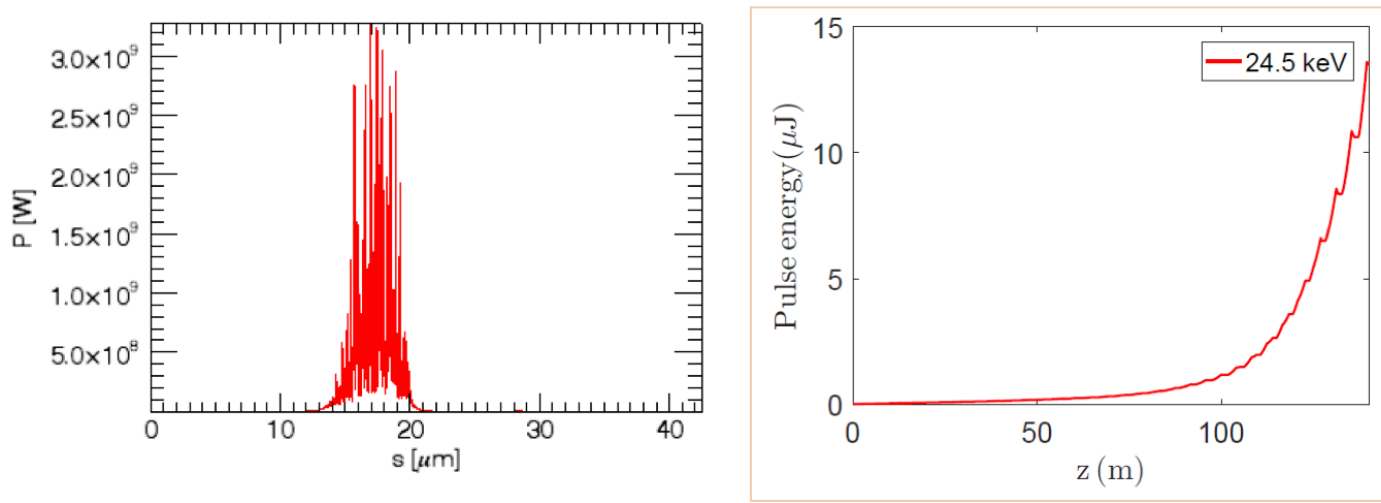


Figure 3: Radiation power along the bunch (left) and pulse energy along the undulator (right) for the 24.5 KeV case. The left plot assumes  $z = 140$  m (as in Figure 2).

- The FEL radiation will not saturate above 34 keV in the LCLS-II HXR undulator line
- @ 1 MHz repetition rate the average brightness of the X-rays from 24 keV to 34 keV is on the order of  $10^{25}$  photons/sec/0.1%BW/mm<sup>2</sup>mrads<sup>2</sup> extending the LCLS-II HE brightness curve to even harder X-rays

# Summary

- A SLAC task force studied potential intermediate applications of Plasma Wakefield Acceleration
- Focus on two candidate FEL applications: brightness transformer and energy doubler
- Identified many issues to study for major components
- Anticipated FACET-II experimental program will play a critical role in assessing the viability of these concepts
- Demonstration facility beyond FACET-II will benefit from continued feedback between experiments, theory and simulation to achieve a robust technical design
- Recent focus on attosecond soft X-ray pulses and working towards start-to-end simulations