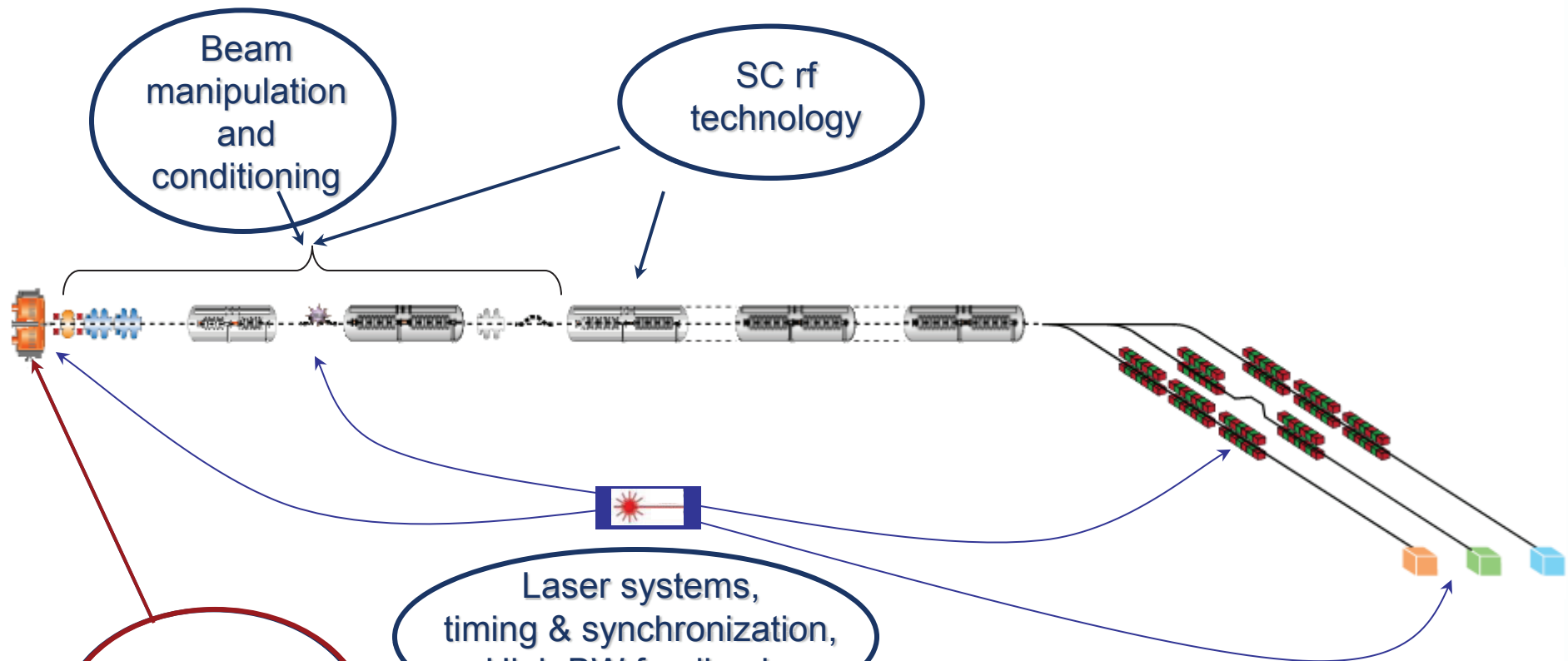


APEX

A photo-injector for high average power light sources and beyond

Accelerators for High average power FELs



High-brightness, MHz rep-rate electron injector

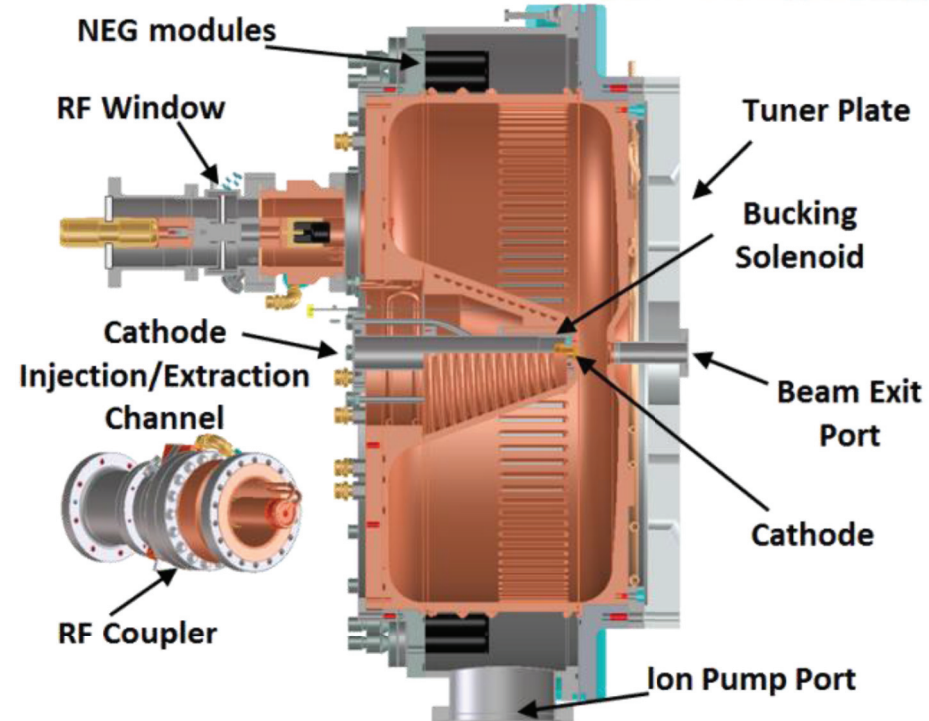
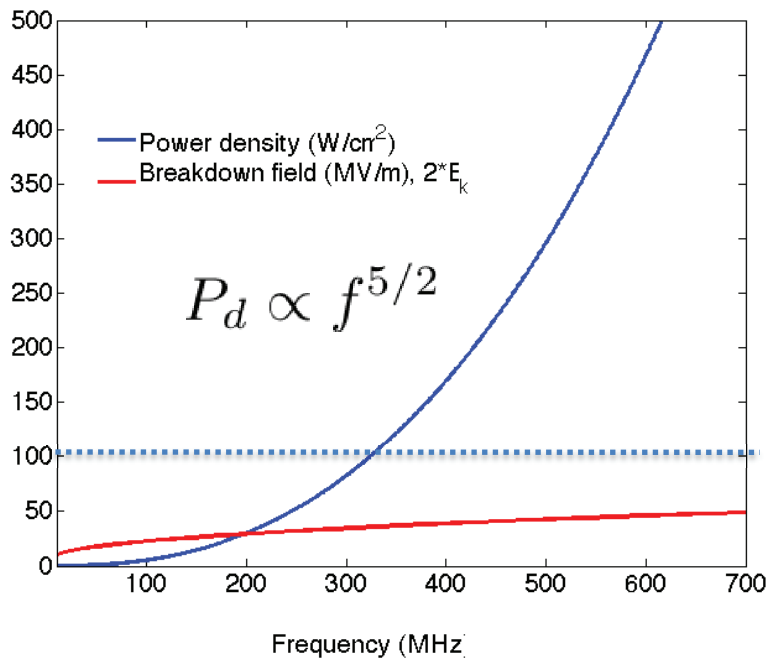
Laser systems, timing & synchronization, High BW feedbacks

Injector requirements:

$$B_{5D} \propto \frac{I_{peak}}{\epsilon_x \epsilon_y}$$

$$B_{5D,av} \propto \frac{Q_{bunch} \cdot f_{rep}}{\epsilon_x \epsilon_y}$$

The LBNL VHF Gun



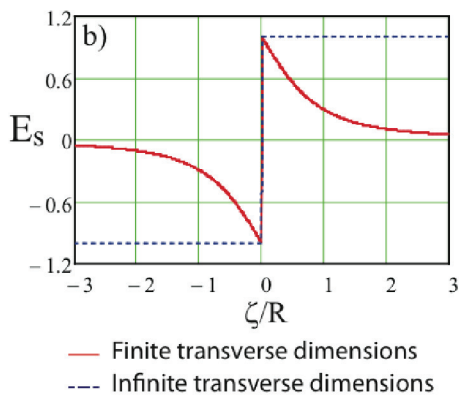
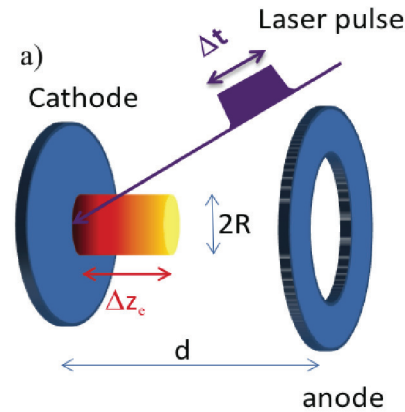
K. Baptiste, et al, NIM A 599, 9 (2009)

- Tolerable Dark current
- Technology readiness and reliability
- Overall system complexity (rf, compression)
- Space constraints

Frequency	186 MHz
Operation mode	CW
Gap voltage	Up to 800 keV
Field at the cathode	> 20 MV/m
Peak wall power density	25.0 W/cm²
base pressure	~ 10⁻¹¹ Torr

Cigar beams:

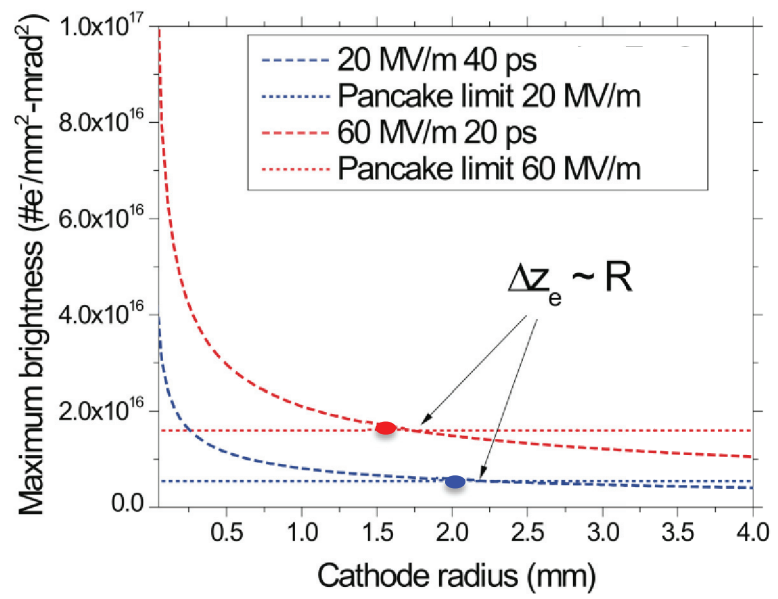
- The long λ_{rf} allows small aspect ratio R/L
- Only electrons at $z < R$ contribute to $E_{cathode}$
- Increase extracted charge for a given emittance, at expenses of output current



2D C-L law for cigar-shaped beams

$$I_{sat,2D} = I_0 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{9} \left(\frac{eE_0R}{mc^2} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

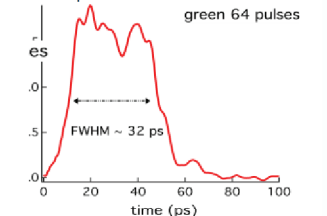
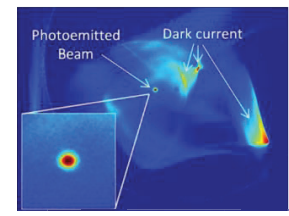
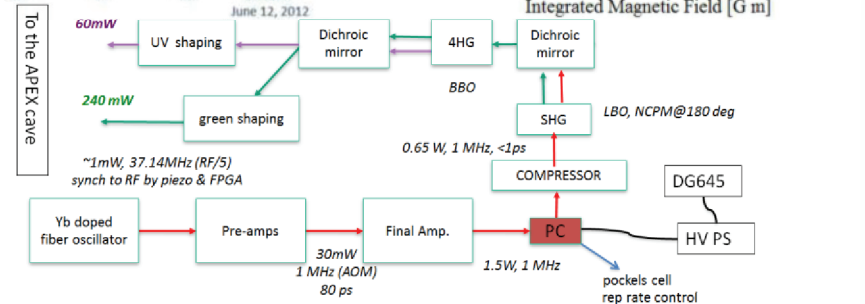
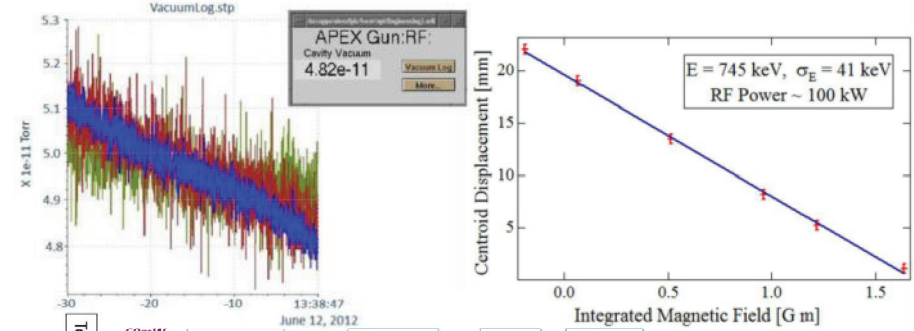
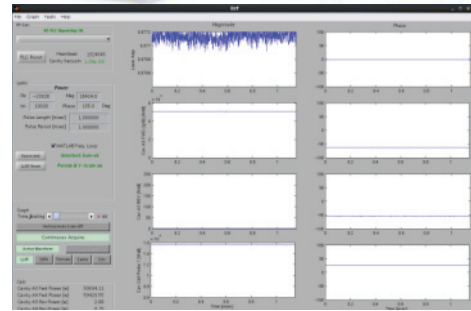
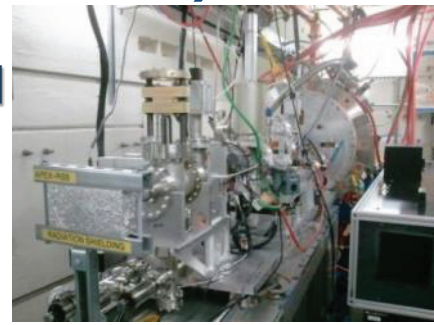
$$B_{\perp}^{max} \propto \frac{E_0^{3/2} \Delta t}{\sqrt{R} \sigma_{p\perp}^2}$$



D. Filippetto et al.,
 Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 17, 024201
 (2014).

VHF Gun performances (Phase-0)

- Gun and Phase 0 beamline installed
- Gun reliably and routinely operated in CW at the nominal RF power.
- Required vacuum performance demonstrated.
- 1 MHz laser system commissioned. Transfer line pulse shaping done.
- First photo-emitted electron beam with low QE cathode generated.
- Photo-emitted electron beam nominal+ energy demonstrated.



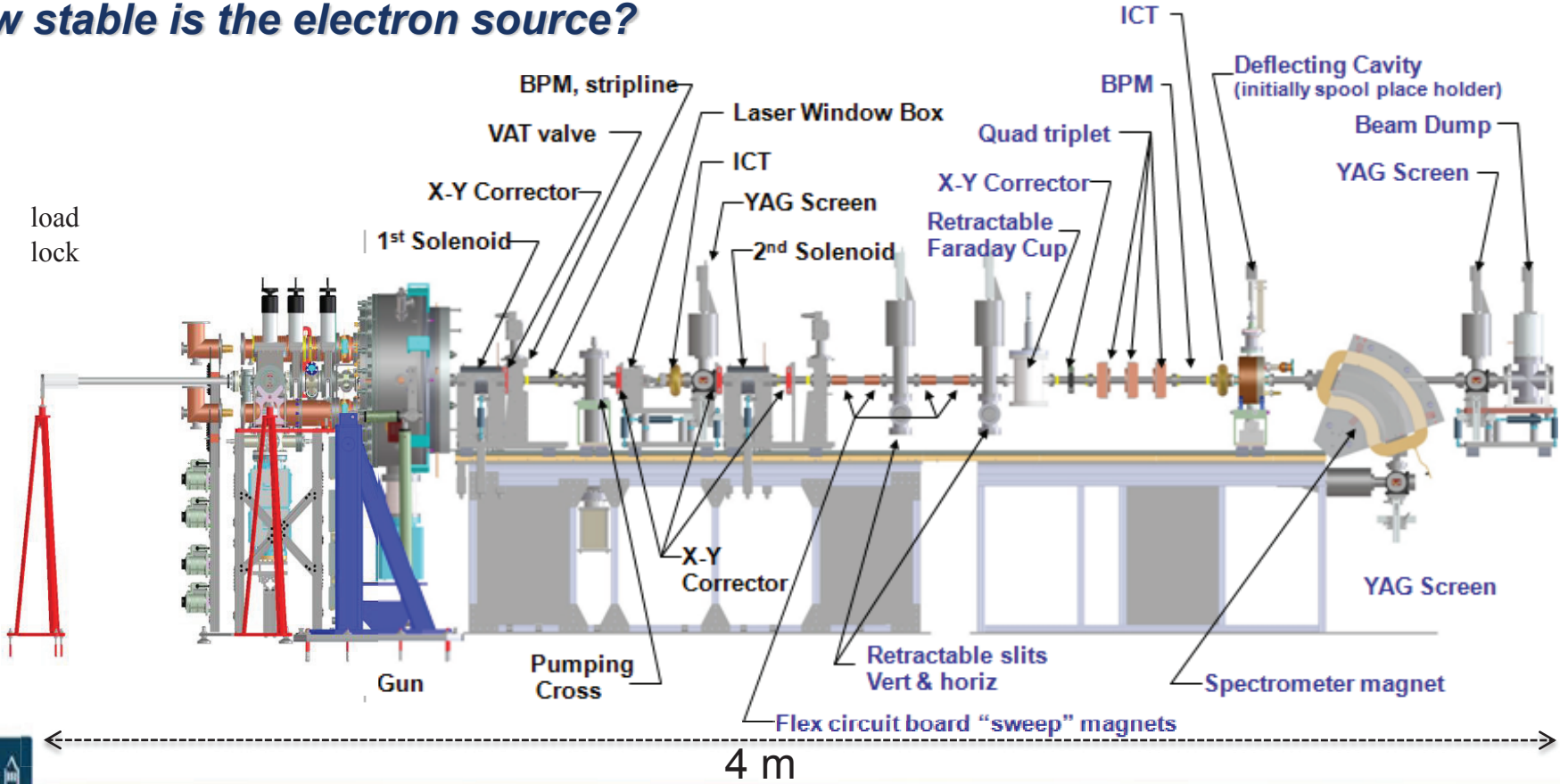
Gun technology demonstrated!

F. Sannibale, et al., PRST-AB 15, 103501 (2012)

The APEX Phase I:

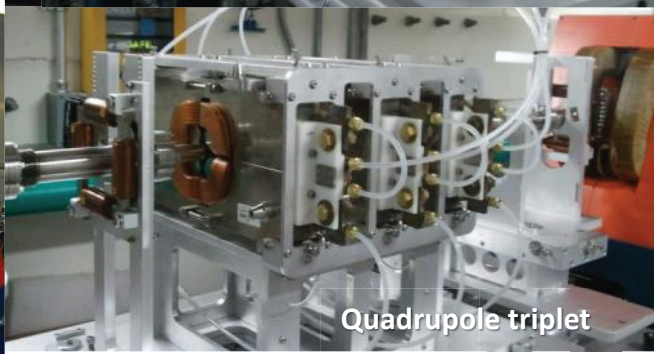
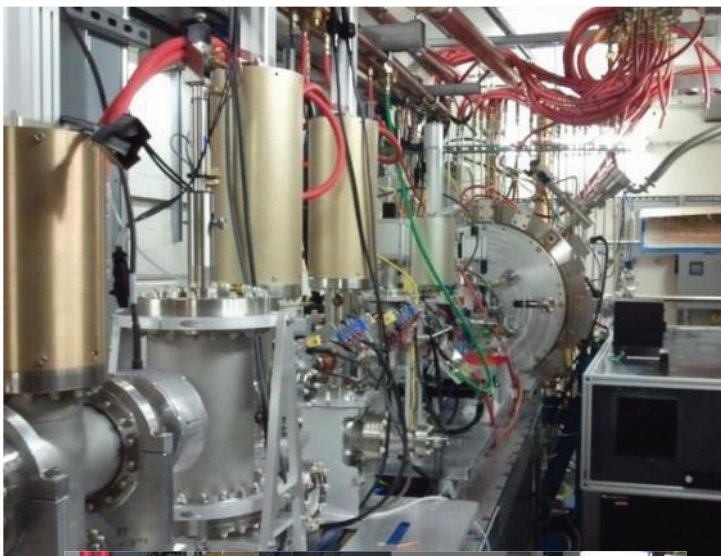
VFAQ (Very Frequently Asked Questions):

- How much is the dark current? What/Where are the sources
- What can we do for mitigating DC?
- Will the DC limit the max gradient and/or cathode lifetime?
- How long is the Cathode lifetime in a CW rf gun?
- How stable is the electron source?

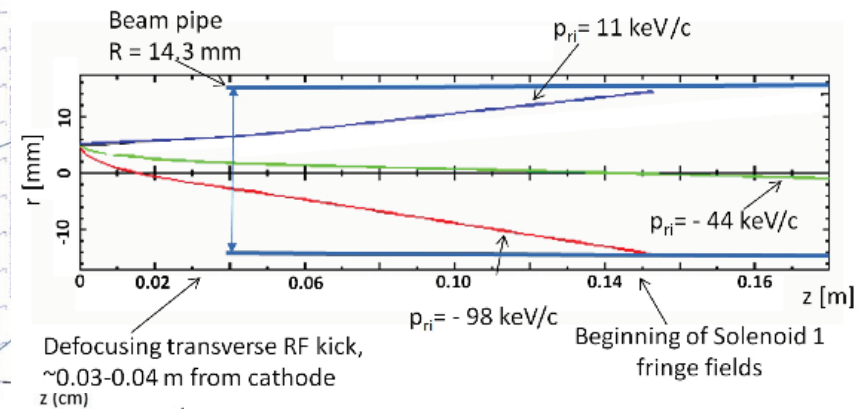
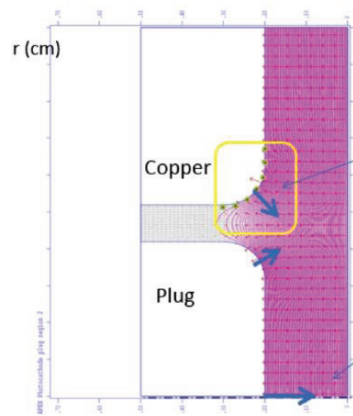
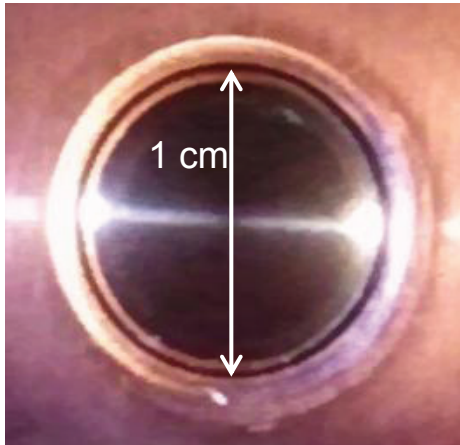
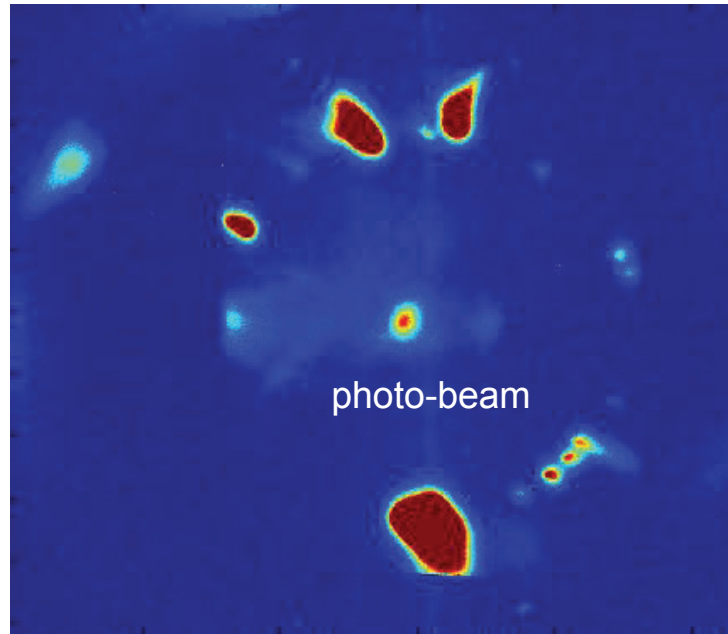
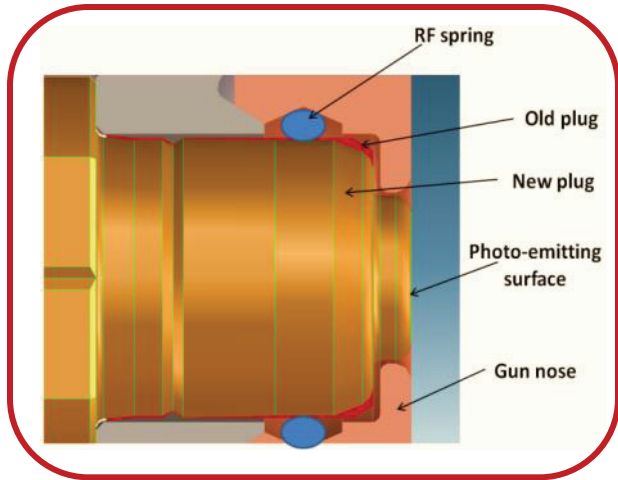


PHASE I installed

- All Phase I beamline installed and now under commissioning.



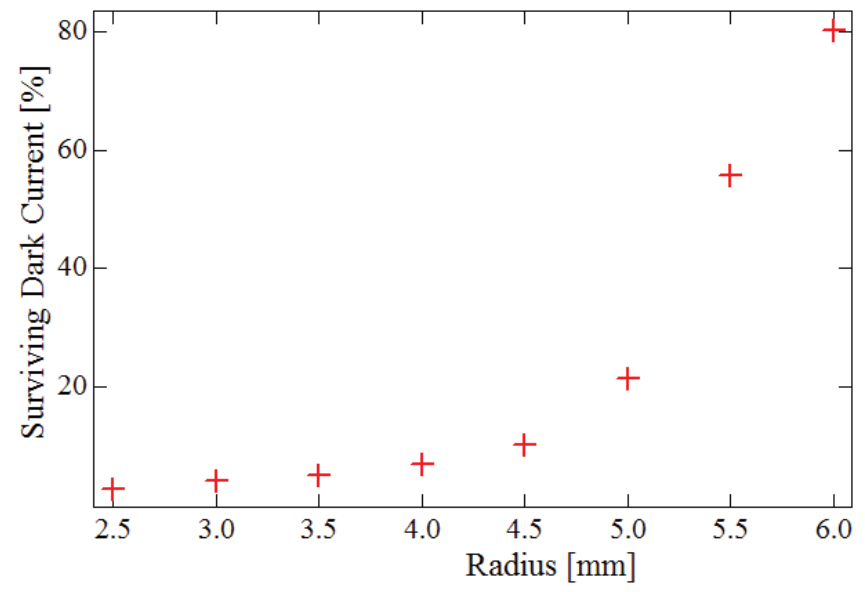
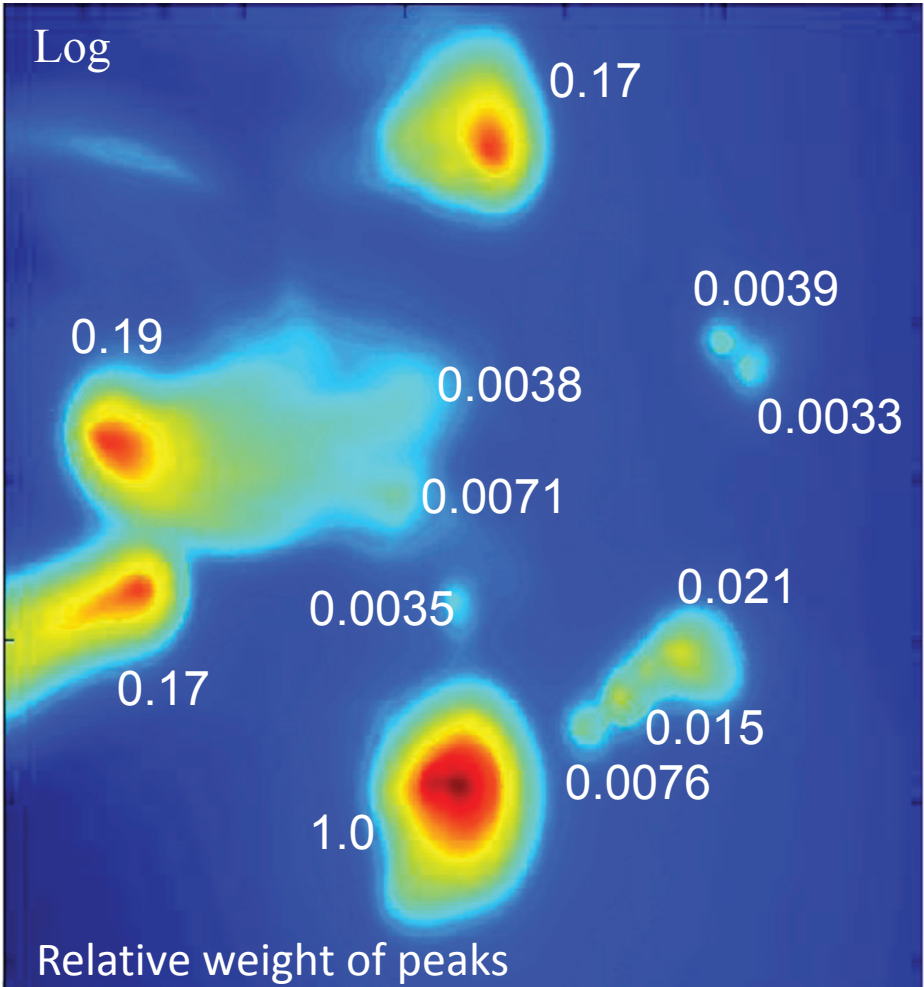
Sources of dark current



$$\alpha k r \approx 50 \text{ mrad} = 35 \text{ keV}$$

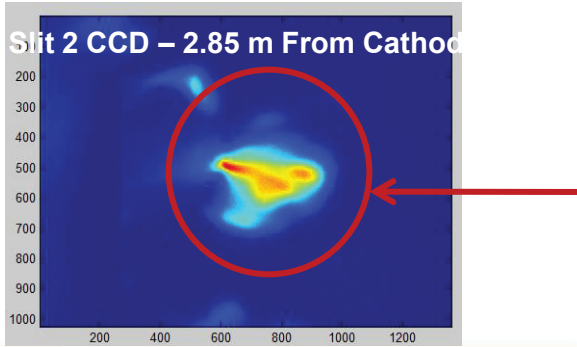
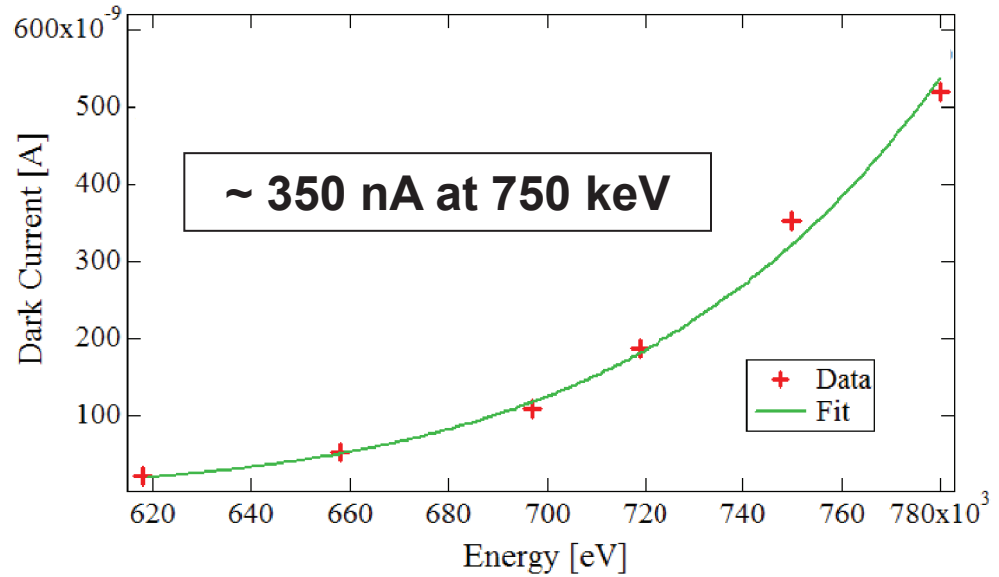
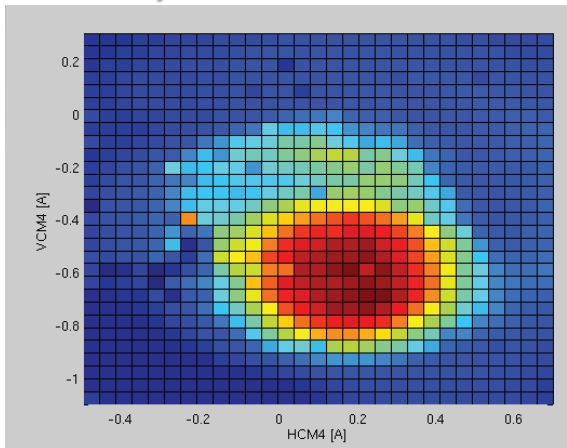
DC imaging

Sum of 12 images with different integration times, 10^5 dynamic range



Dark Current scans

- Dark Current measurements performed in various solenoid configurations.
- Up to 2.5 uA transported in “cathode imaging configuration”
- Dark Current scans for solenoids optimized for injection at 100 pC
- (Solenoids scaled with energy. Solenoids for 20 pC and 300 pC are very similar)
- More than 97% of DC was in the center (DC map scanning Hor and Vert correctors)



**Faraday Cup
Diameter
(1.5 cm)**

Fowler-Nordheim fits

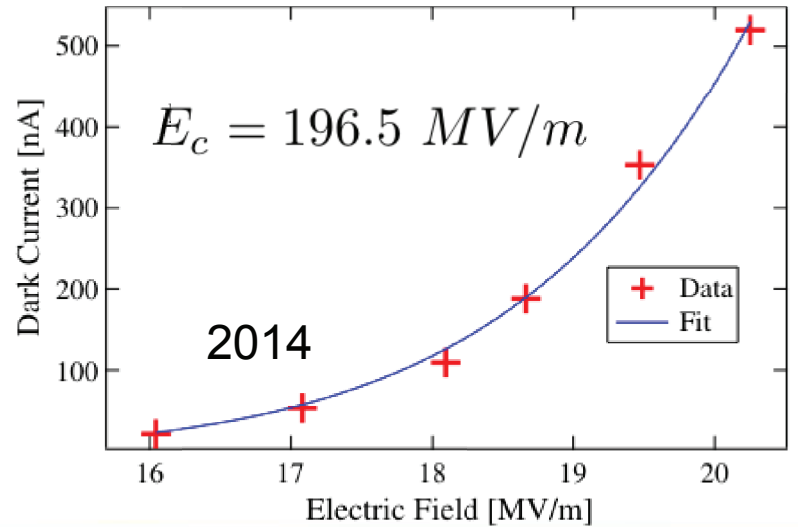
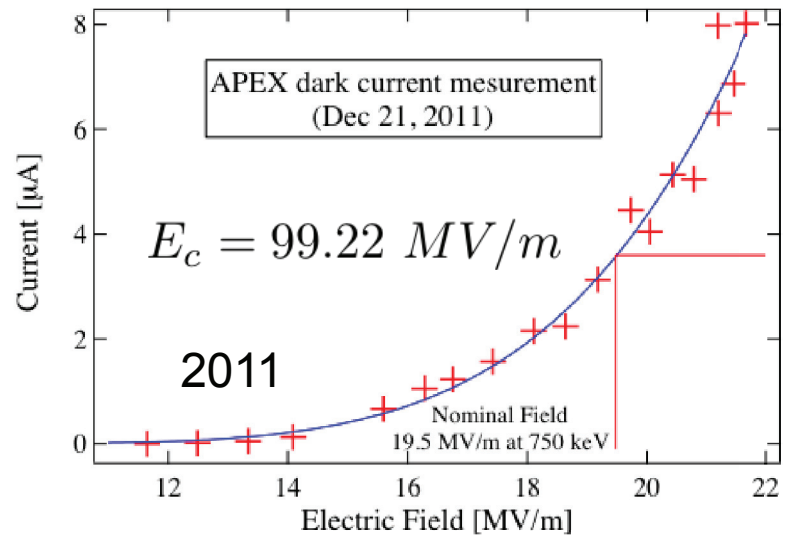
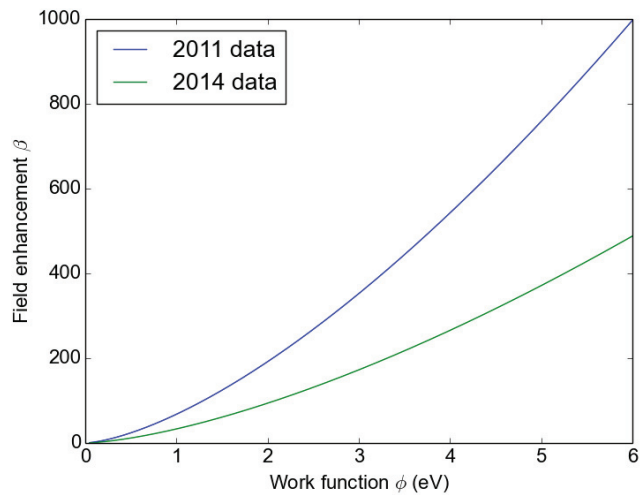
Field emission is generated by surface protrusions (high β) and/or inclusions and particulates (low Φ)

$$I_{FN} = I_c \frac{E^2}{E_c^2} \exp\left(-\frac{E_c}{E}\right)$$

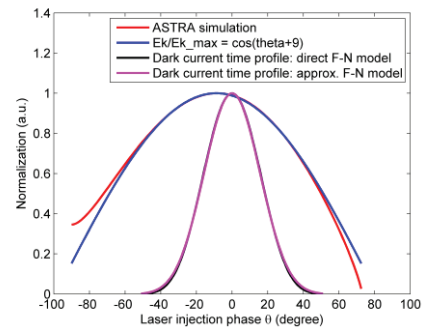
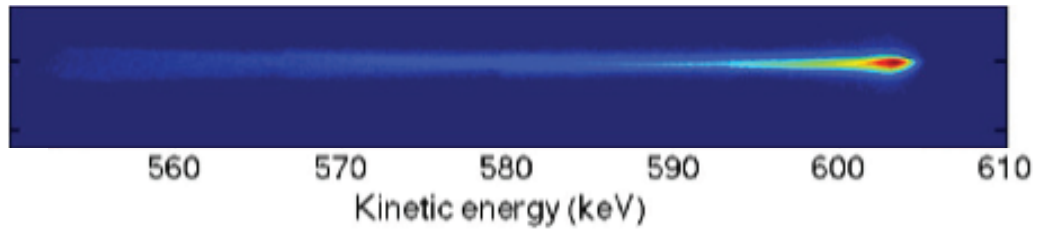
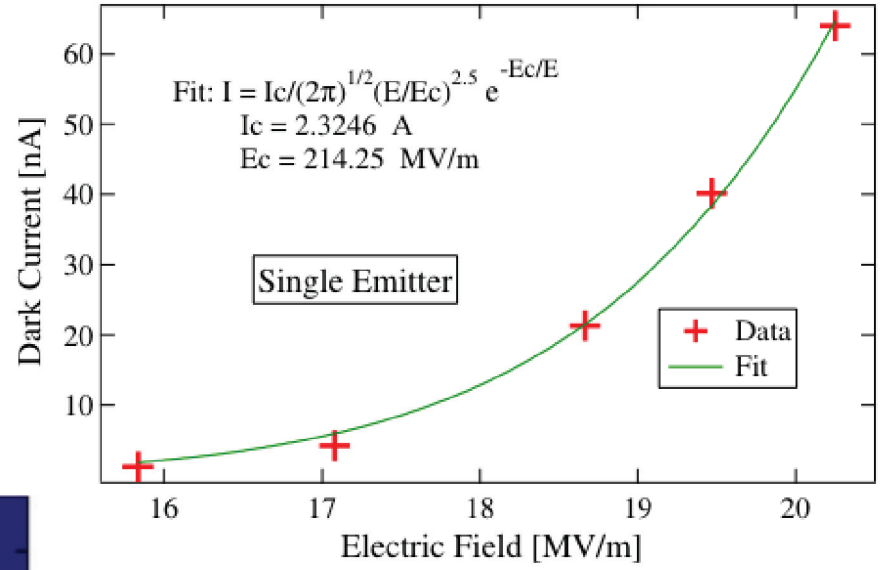
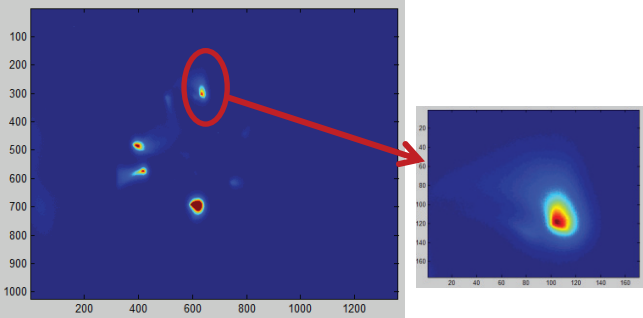
$$\bar{I}_{FN} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} I_c \left(\frac{E_0}{E_c}\right)^{2.5} \exp\left(-\frac{E_c}{E_0}\right)$$

$$E_c = 6.53 \times 10^9 \frac{\phi^{1.5}}{\beta}$$

$$I_c = 65.67 \times 10^{-6} \times 10^{4.52/\sqrt{\phi}} \times A_e [nm^2] \times \phi^2$$

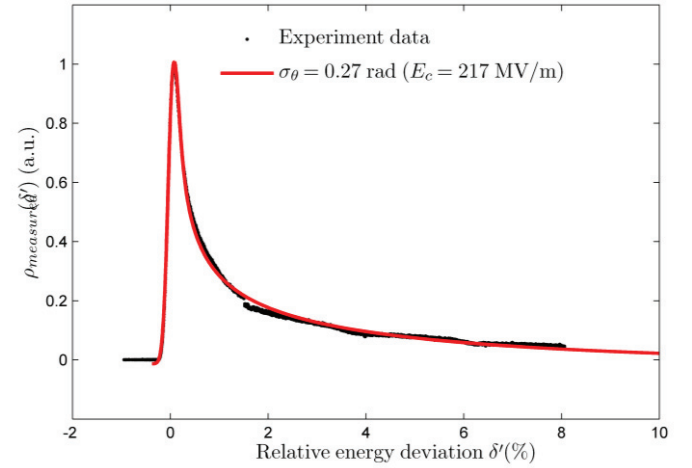


Single emitter fit and energy distribution



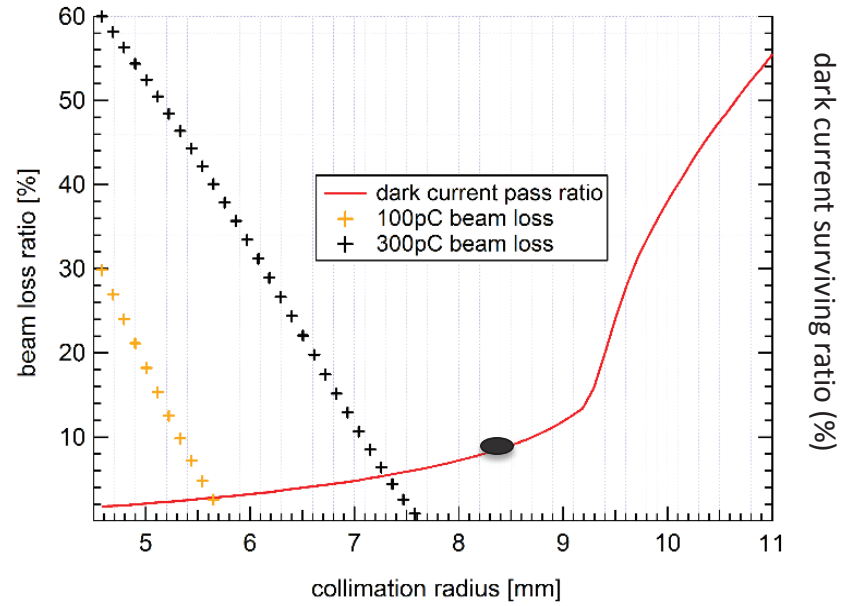
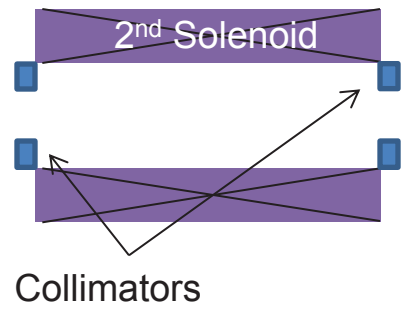
$$\rho(\delta) \propto \frac{1 - (\sqrt{2\delta} - \theta_0)^2}{\sqrt{2\delta}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\sqrt{2\delta} - \theta_0)^2}{2\sigma_\theta^2}\right) + \frac{1 - (\sqrt{2\delta} + \theta_0)^2}{\sqrt{2\delta}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\sqrt{2\delta} + \theta_0)^2}{2\sigma_\theta^2}\right)$$

$$\rho_{measured}(\delta') \propto \int_0^\infty \rho(\delta) e^{-\frac{(\delta' - \delta)^2}{2\delta_e^2}} d\delta + \rho_{floor}$$



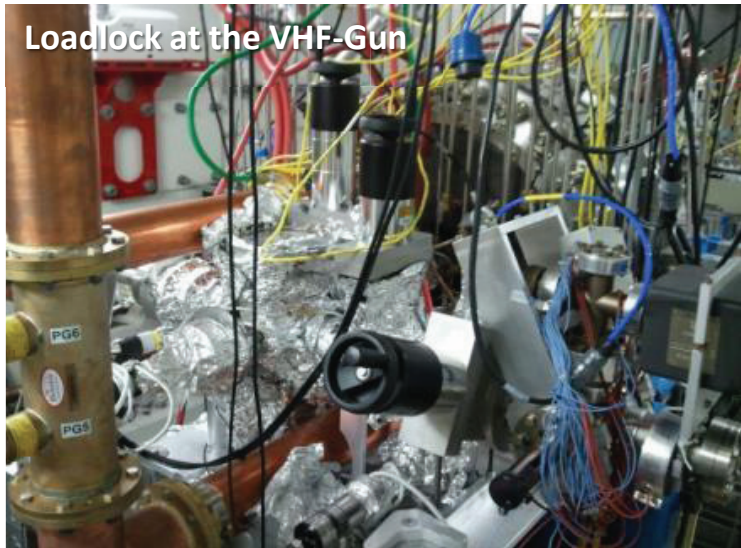
Dark Current reduction

- A simple scheme that works for both low and high charge: collimators at the 2nd solenoid
- Effective scheme: no beam loss and **more than a factor 10 dark current reduction.**



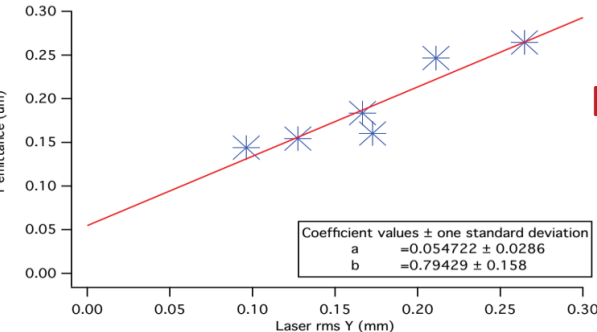
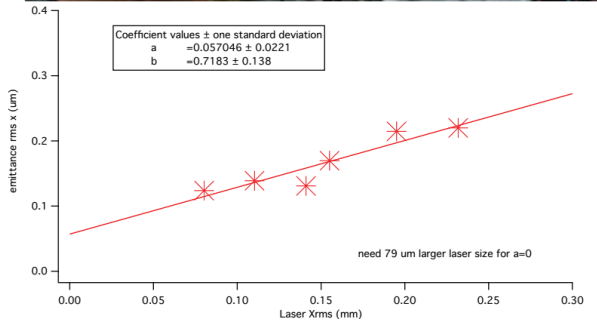
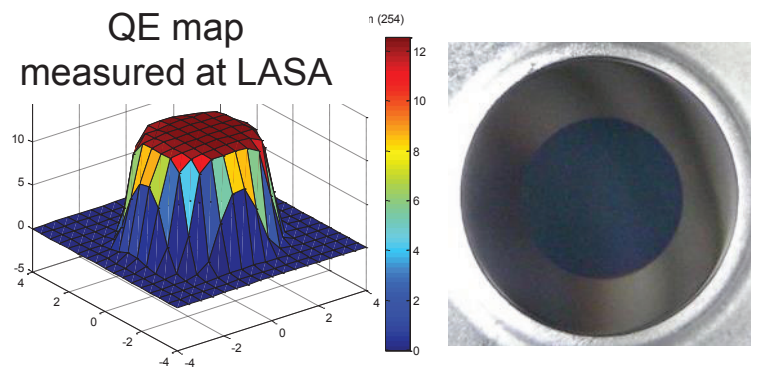
- Active dark current kicker option has been studied (stringent requirements on field flatness)
- Cavity surface treatment for DC emission decrease (Dry-Ice).

Cathode physics: Cs_2Te

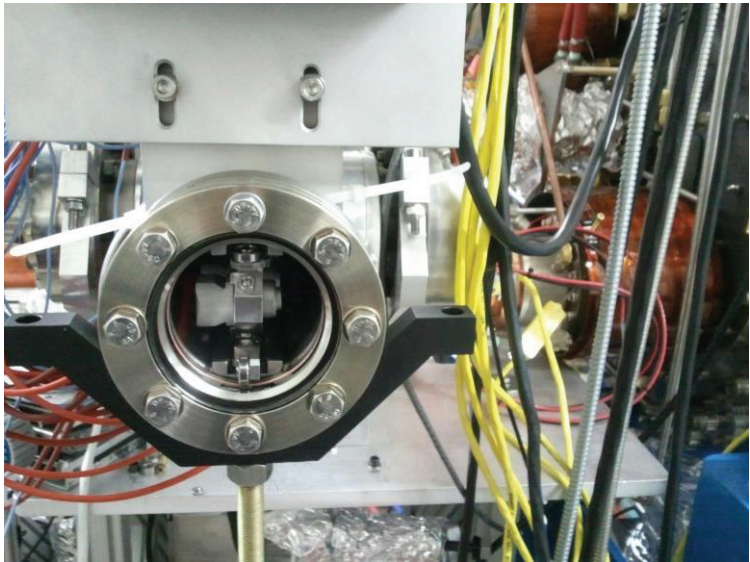


Loadlock at the VHF-Gun

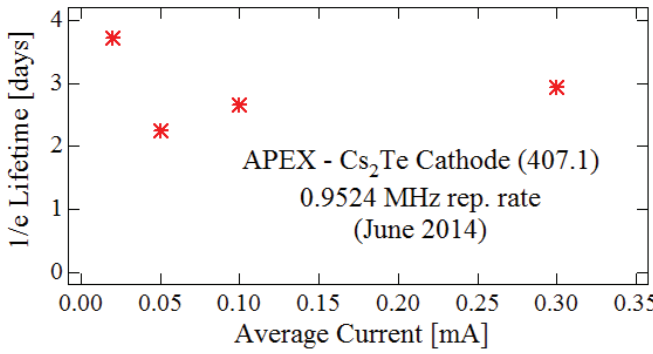
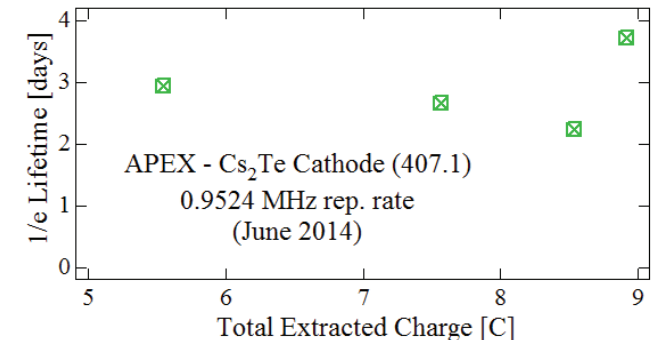
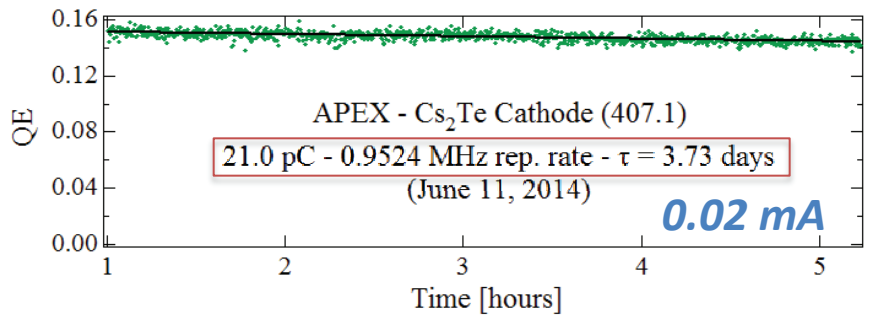
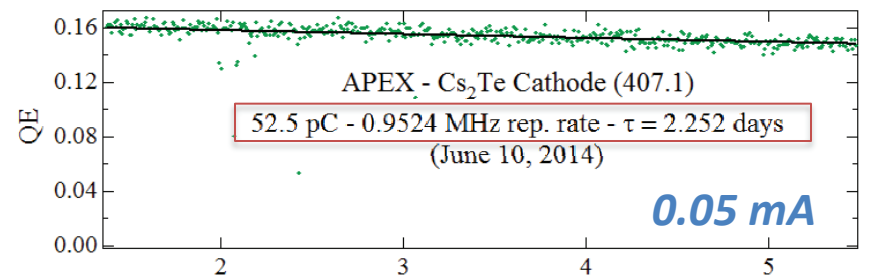
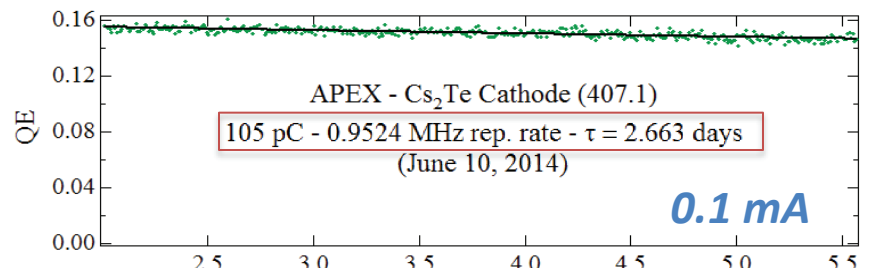
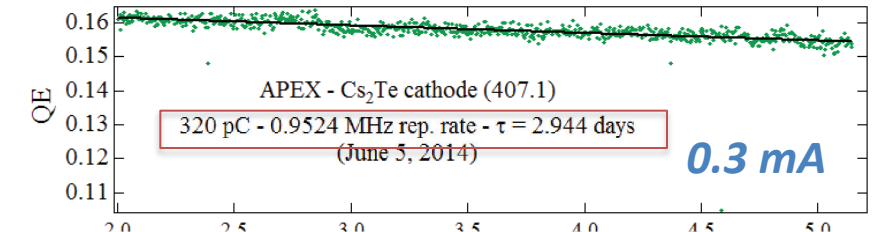
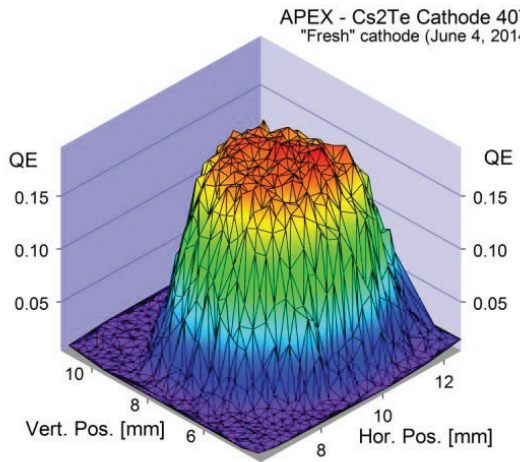
(deposited at INFN-LASA, 2011)



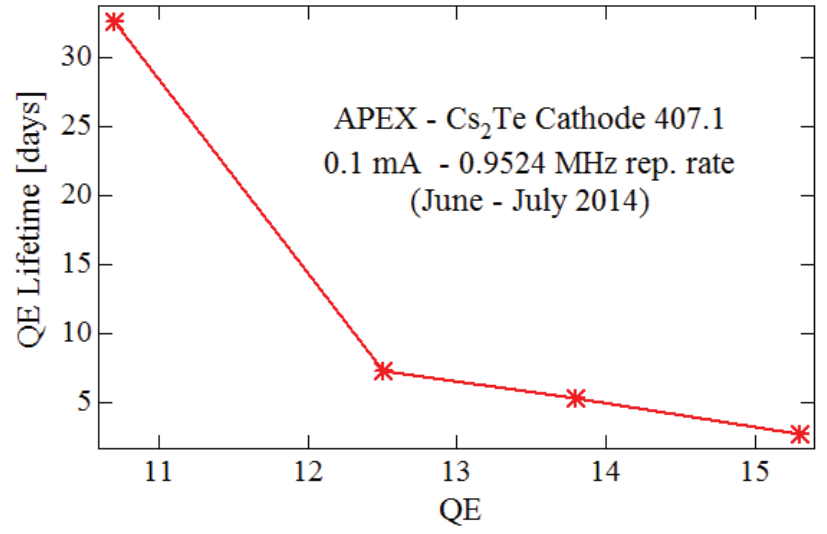
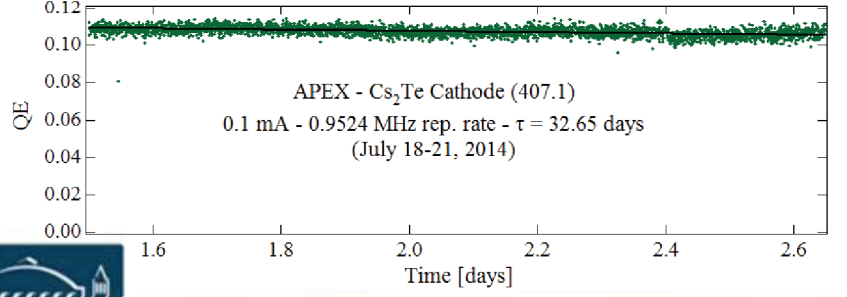
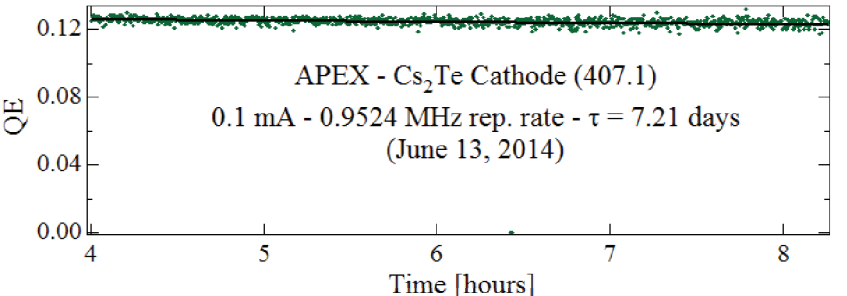
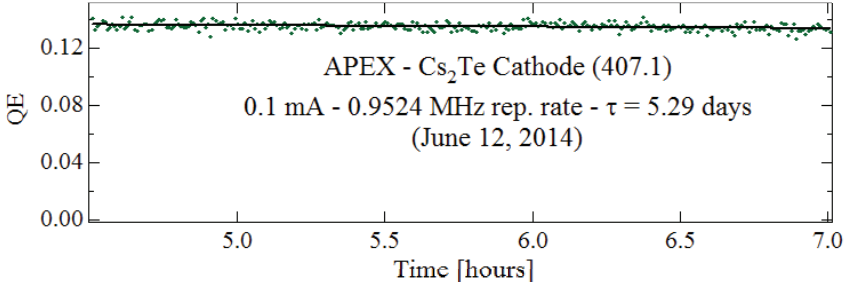
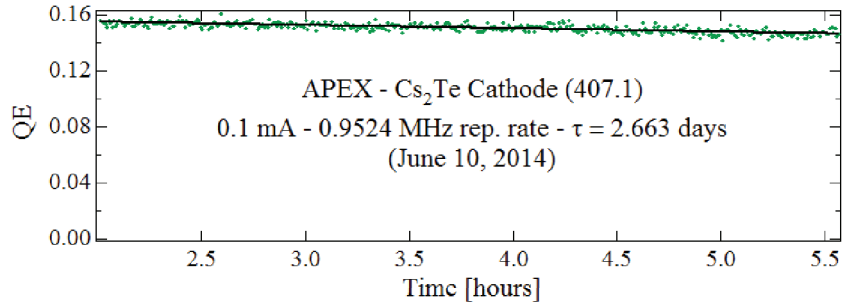
First thermal emittance data:
0.76 $\mu\text{m}/\text{mm}$ rms



Cs₂Te Fresh Cathode QE Measurements

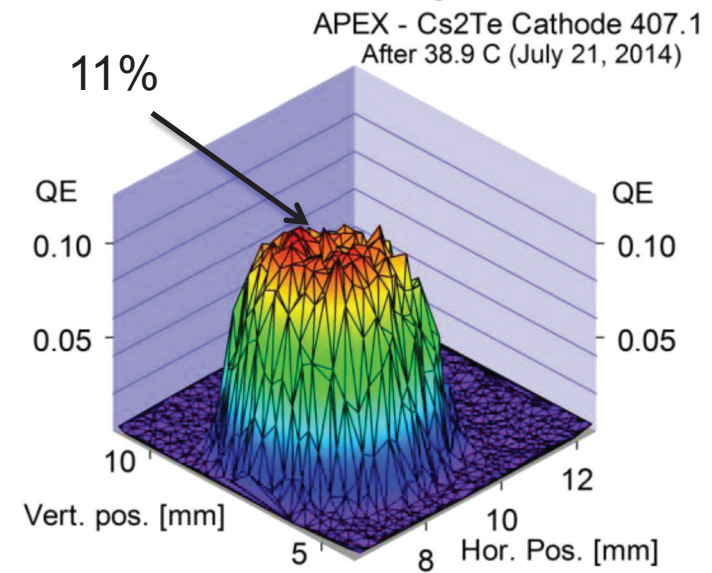
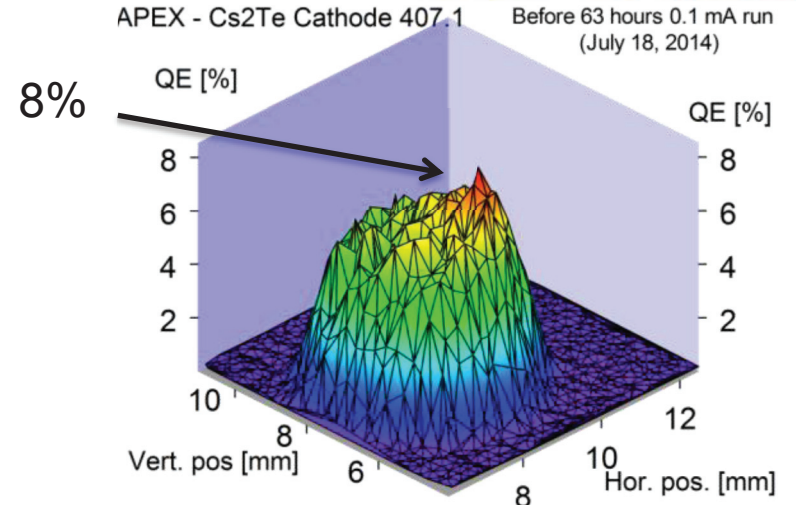
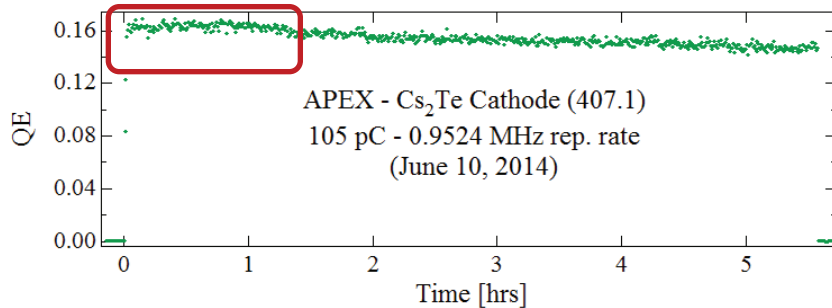
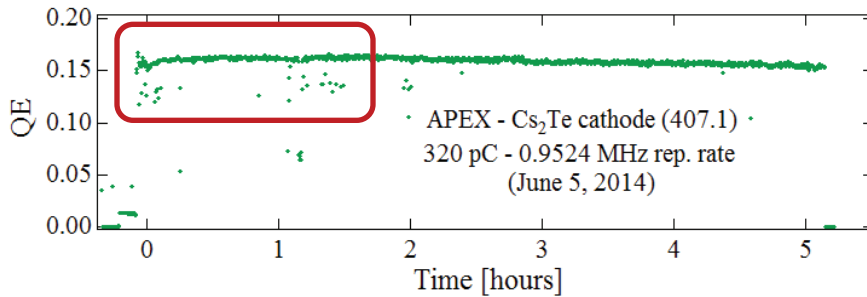


Cs₂Te Lifetime vs. QE



- Cathode lifetime depends on the absolute value of QE.

Cathode rejuvenation



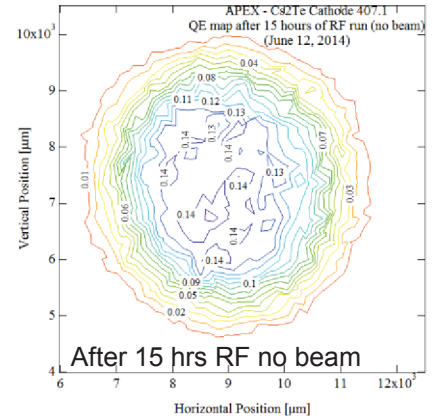
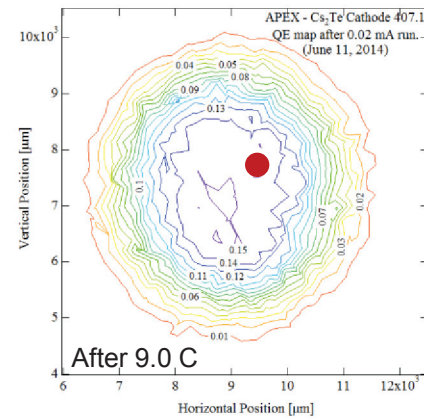
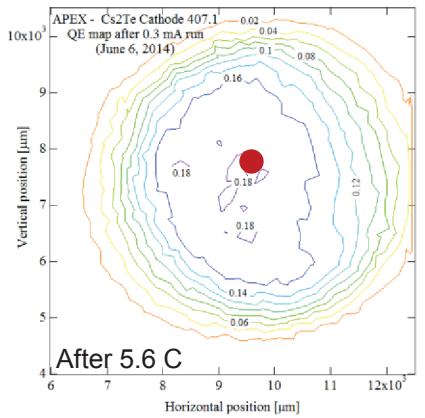
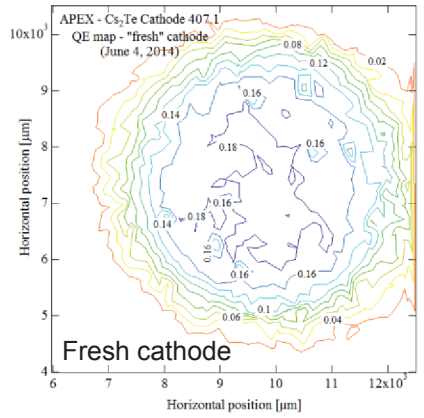
- Laser cleaning of molecules with weak bonds
- Rejuvenation with Temperature (RF heating)

(See for example H. Kong et al., Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A **358**, 276 (1995)).

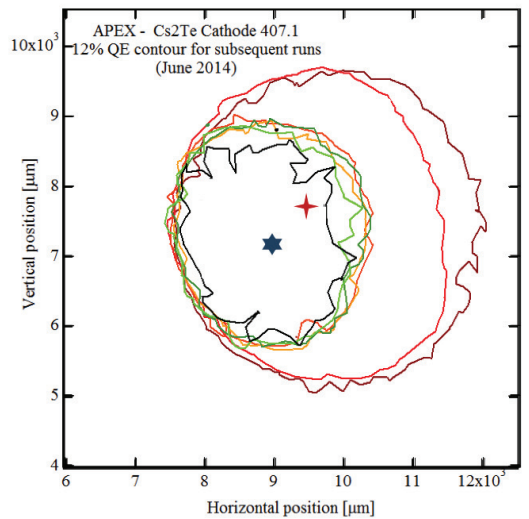
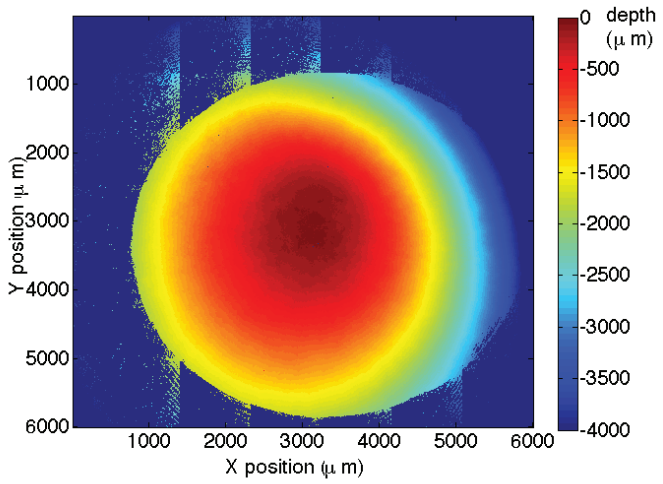
- After 38.9 C the QE degraded from ~16% vs. ~11%

Cs₂Te 407.1 QE Maps

● 1 sigma laser beam
Size and position



Post-mortem interferometry on cathode surface



- Fresh cathode
 - After 5 hrs @ 0.3 mA (5.6 C) *
 - After 5.5 hrs @ 0.1 mA (5.6 + 2 = 7.6 C) *
 - After 5.5 hrs @ 0.05 mA (7.6 + 1 = 8.6 C) *
 - After 5 hrs @ 0.02 mA (8.6 + 0.4 = 9.0 C) *
 - After 15 hrs RF only
 - After 23.2 hrs @ 0.1 mA (9.0 + 7.4 = 16.4 C) *
- ★ * Laser position during run

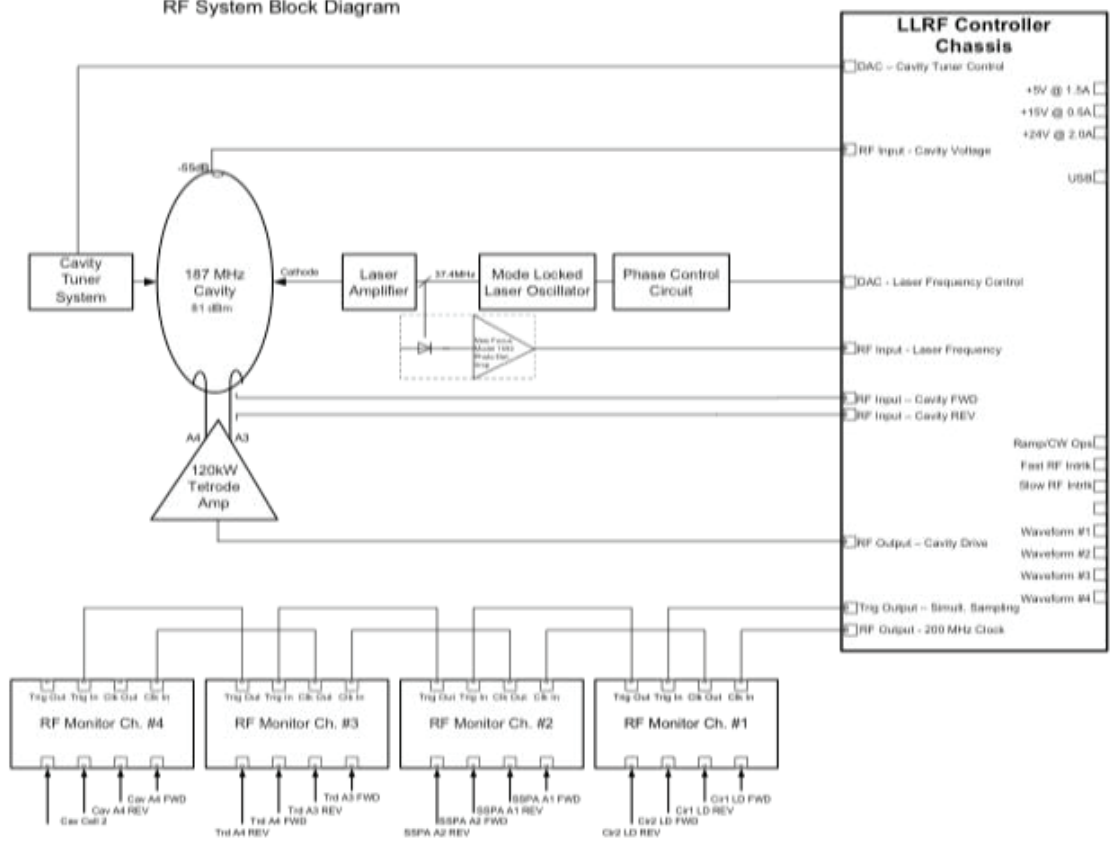
APEX Synchronization Plan

Target:

- Laser-to-rf time jitter < 100 fs
- Rf amplitude fluctuations < 10^{-4}
- Beam pointing at the cathode < 10 μm
- Charge fluctuations < 0.5%

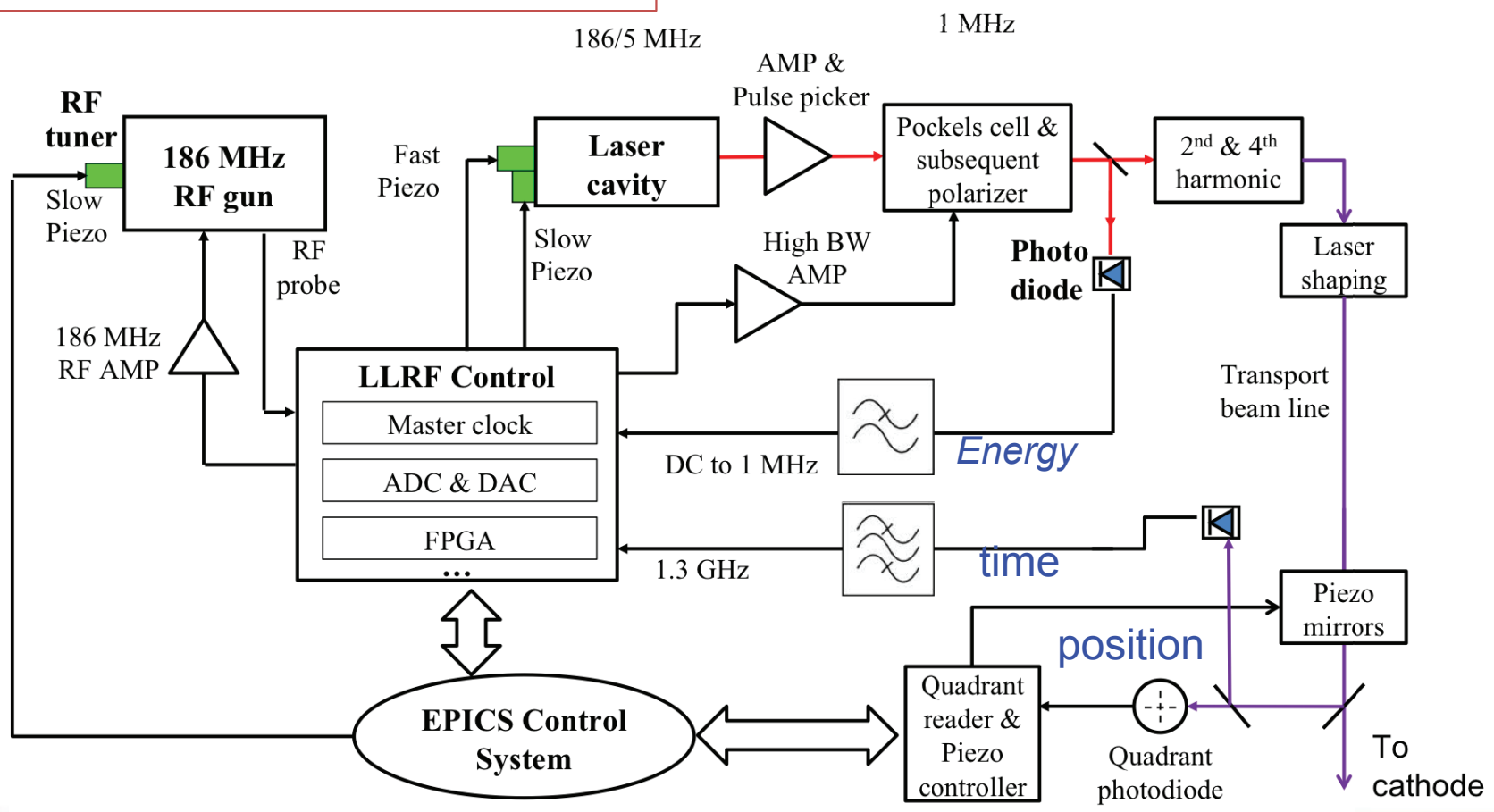
APEX Photo-Cathode RF Cavity
RF System Block Diagram

K. Baptiste 01-28-2010



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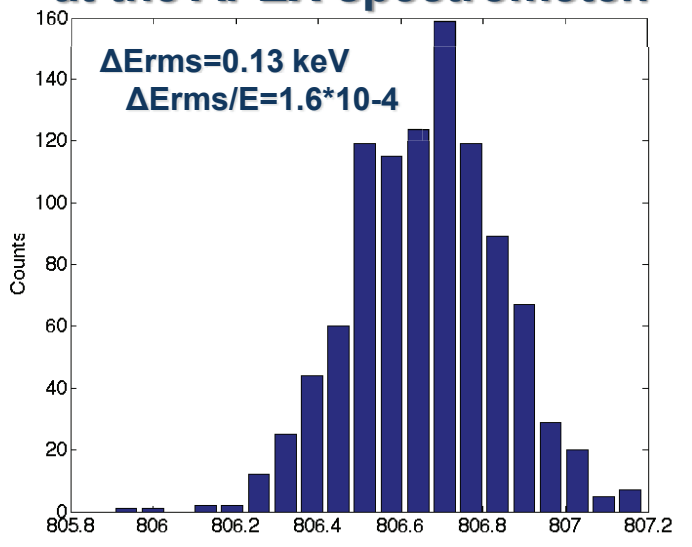
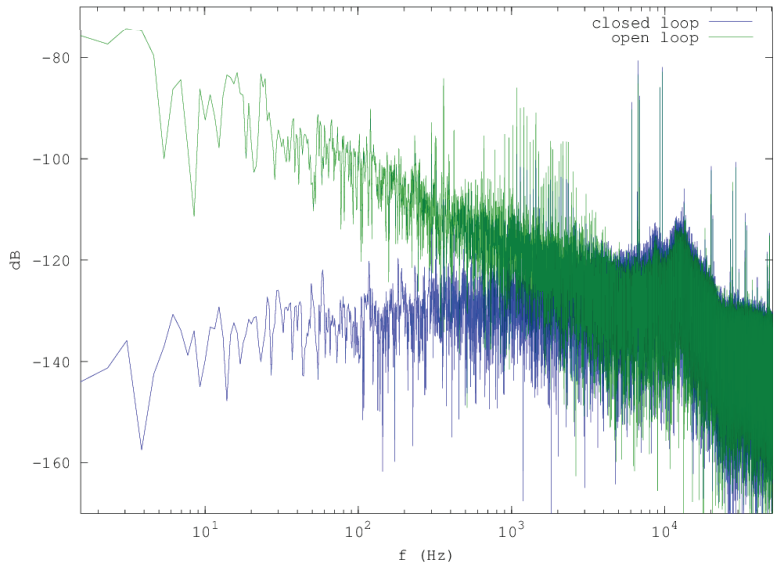
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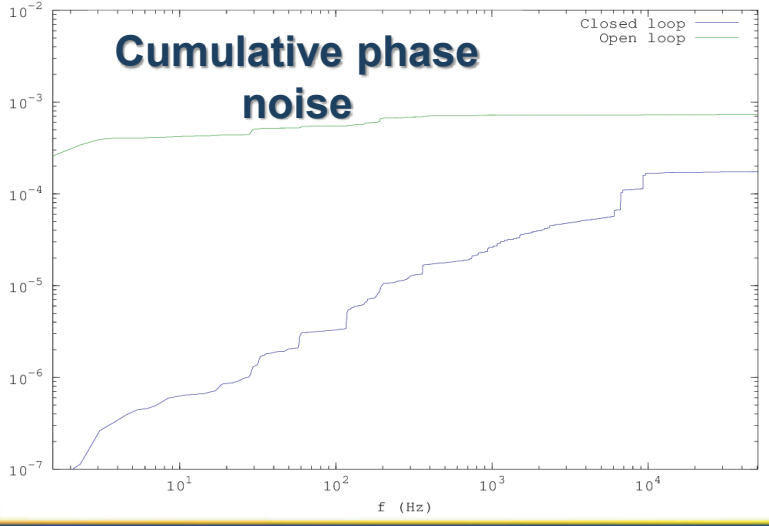
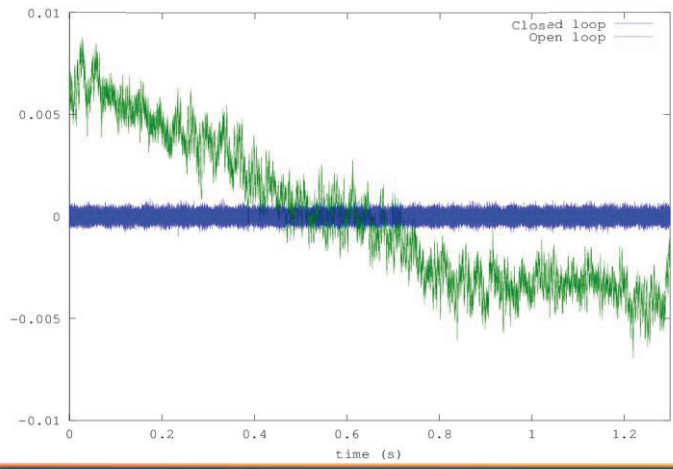
RF Jitter with LLRF Amp./Phase Feedback

Dark current energy peak measured at the APEX spectrometer.

RF Amplitude noise spectrum



RF Phase error

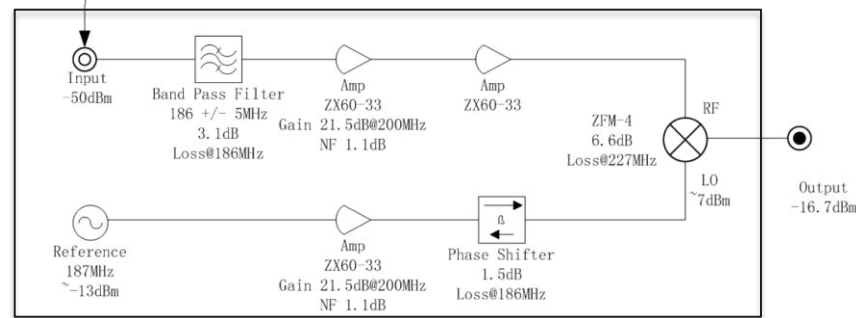


Laser and e-beam jitter measurements

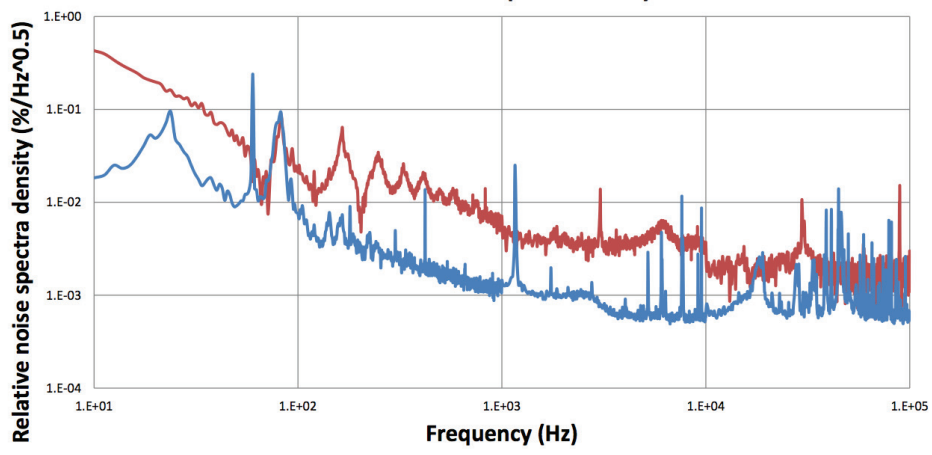
- Phase detector built in house (need 2nd for xcorr)
- Measured IR, Green and UV energy fluctuations
- Starting the measurements on the e beam (Q,t)
- Installing a pointing feedback system (>5X better)

INPUT:
 Signal from BPM;
 Signal from FARADAY CUP;
 Signal from ICT;
 Signal from PHOTO DIODE;

Phase detector board



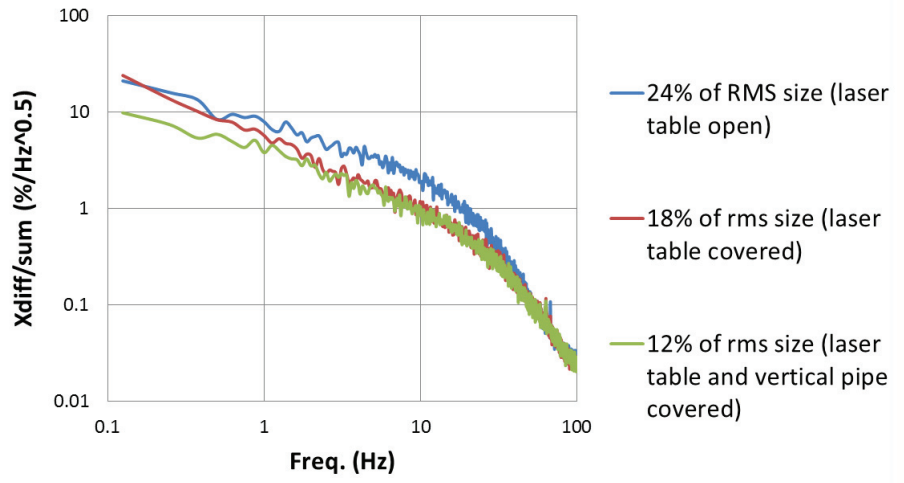
Relative noise spectra density



— UV laser (June 9, 2014) — Charge jitter (June 10, 2014)

	10 Hz – 100 kHz
UV (June 9)	1.49%
Charge (June 10)	0.64%

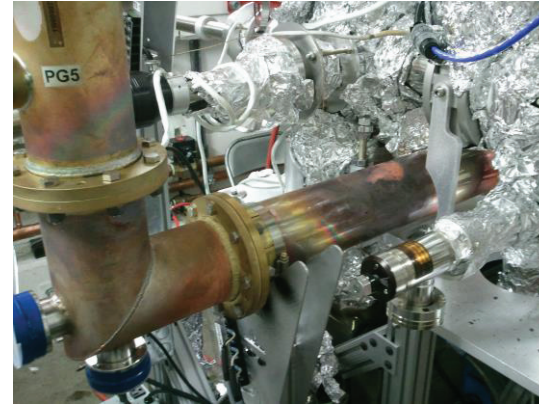
APEX green laser pointing jitter in cave



— 24% of RMS size (laser table open)
 — 18% of rms size (laser table covered)
 — 12% of rms size (laser table and vertical pipe covered)

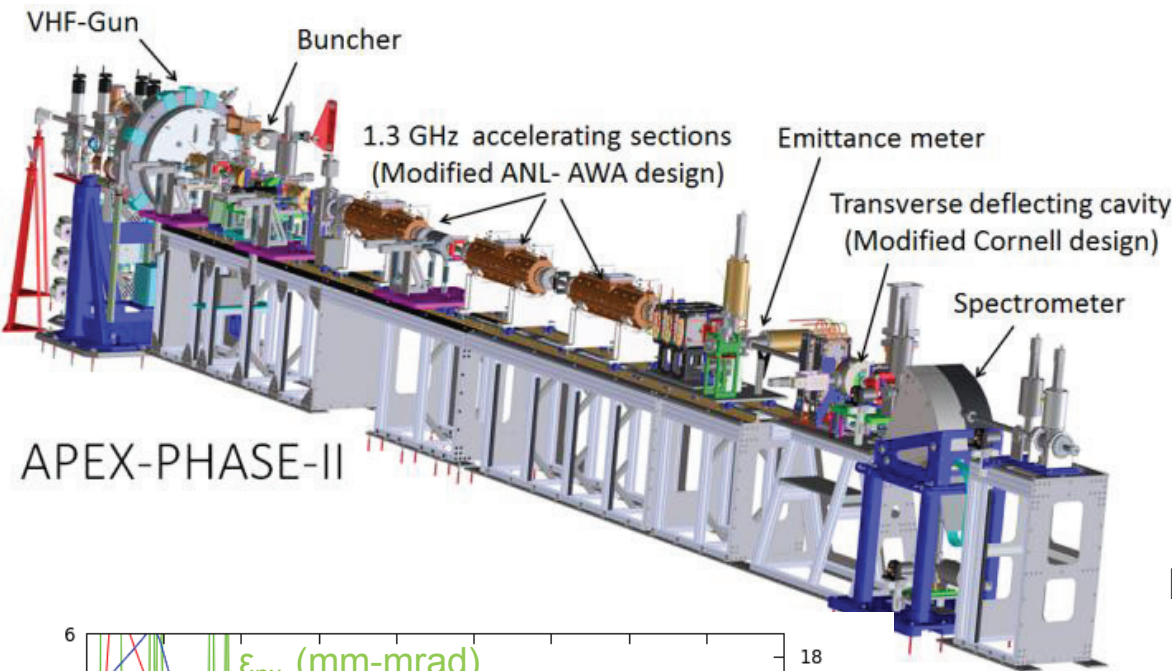
RF accident:

- Experienced serious overheating of one coax waveguide
- The temperature went high enough to melt teflon bushings in the cavity vicinity creating black power (carbon + Cu oxides)+perfluorated gases
- The vacuum window cracked (temperature, over-pressure...)
- The gun has been un-installed and sent to the LBNL machine shop for cleaning
- Gun design allow opening and closing (no brazing between the cathode and the anode plates)
- The cleaning is already started (chemical bath is being performed as we speak)
- No signs of discharge/multipacting inside the cavity.
- Will perform dry-ice cleaning of the cavity and pay particular attention to the machining of the cathode area.
- Foreseen 6 weeks shut-down period

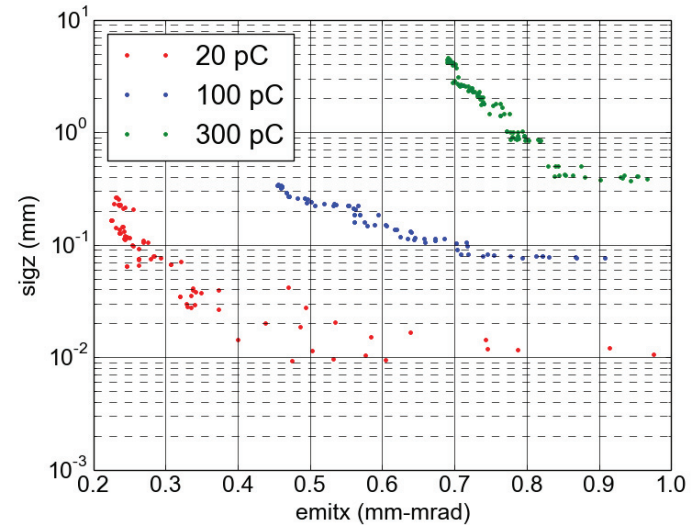


Phase II

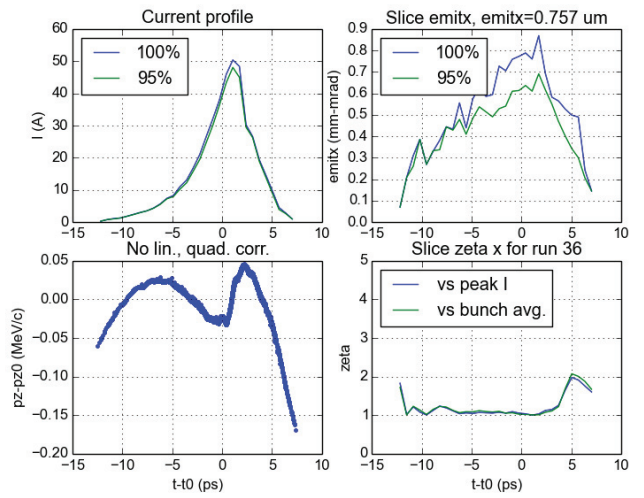
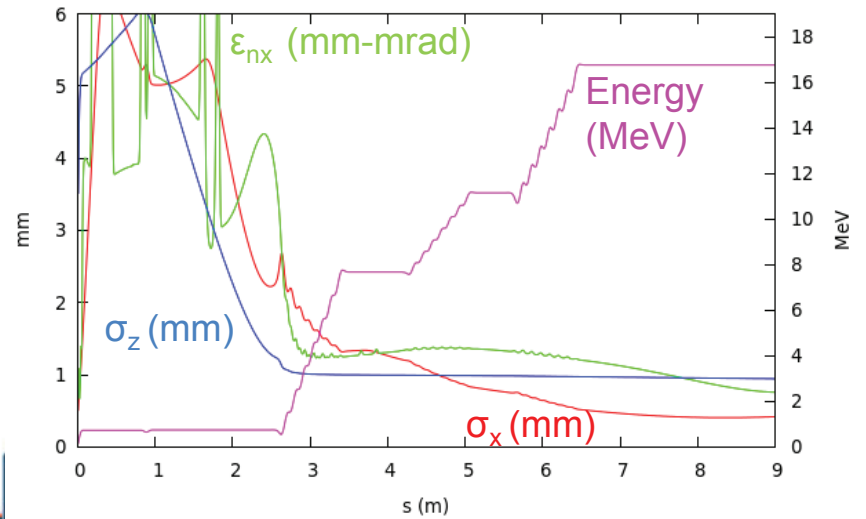
Prove the beam brightness. Measure emittance Vs bunch current.



APEX-PHASE-II

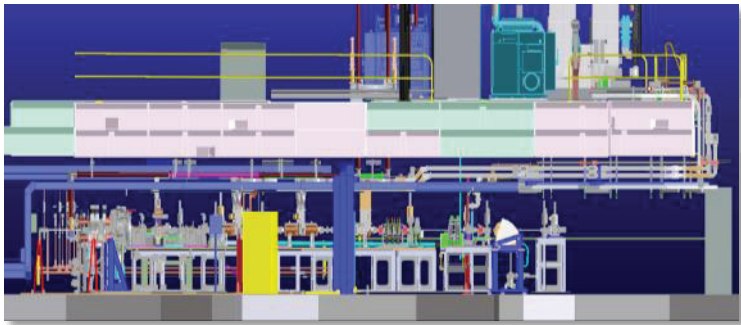


Beam at exit of APEX (9m, ~17 MeV)

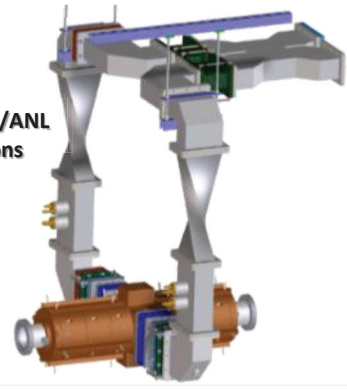


Phase II Main Activities

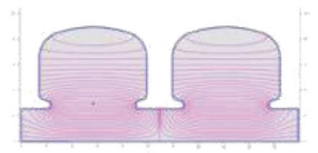
- 1.3 GHz Klystron LBNL and Modulator delivered to LBNL (acceptance test on September 8, 2014).
- Modified (multipole-free) AWA/ANL-like 1.3 GHz accelerating section being fabricated by HiTech.
- RF distribution completely designed and most component at LBNL.
- 1.3 GHz CW Buncher design finished.



Modified AWA/ANL
Accel. Sections



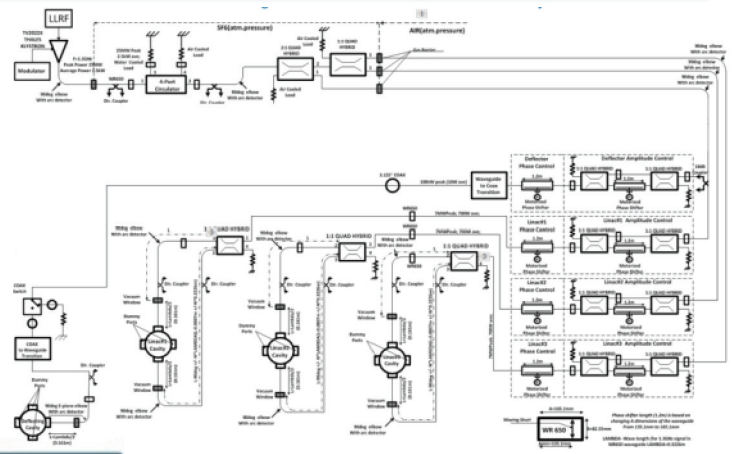
CW NC 1.3 GHz Buncher



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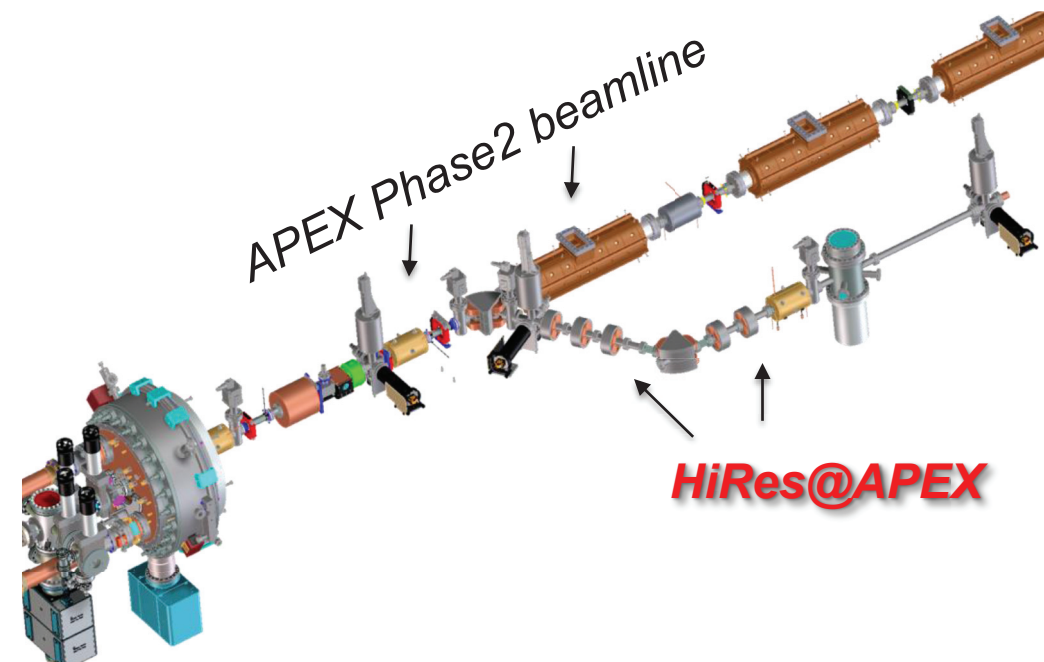
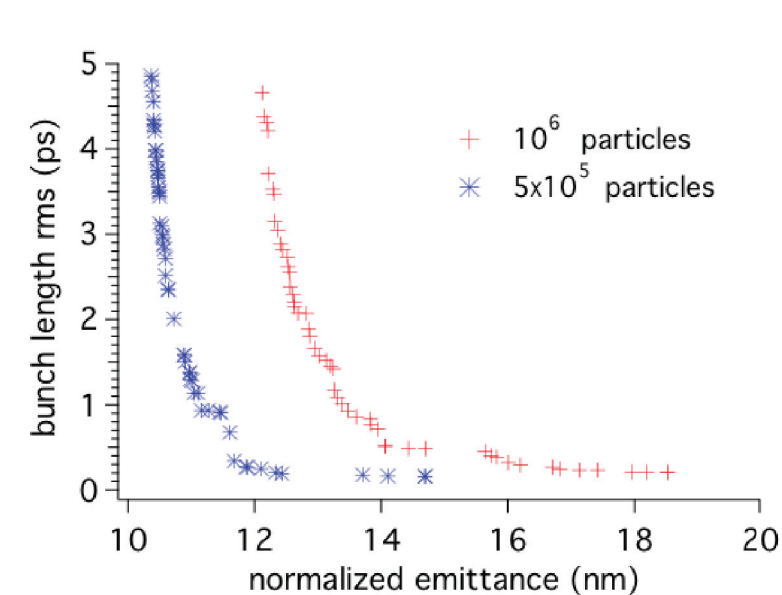
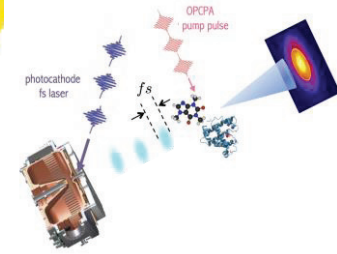


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HiRes: High Rep. rate Electron Scattering

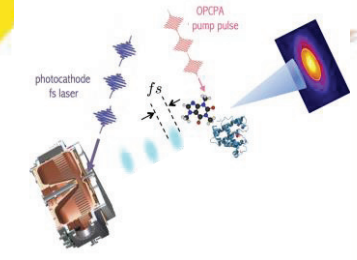
The HiRes beamline @ APEX will focus on UED, providing:

- time and space resolution: **from 100 fs to 100 ps**, ultralow emittance
- **Very high electron flux (10^{12} e/s)**: ultrafast dynamics of complex molecules in gas/liquid phase with atomic resolution
- **Tunable electron energy**: up to 800 keV
- **Ultra-stable system**: noise suppression up to $f_{\text{rep}}/2$, high. res. stroboscopic measurements

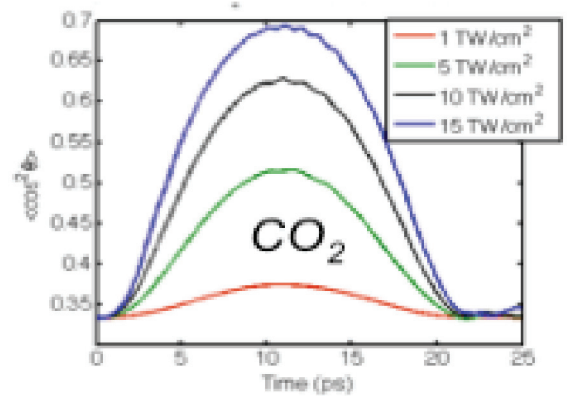


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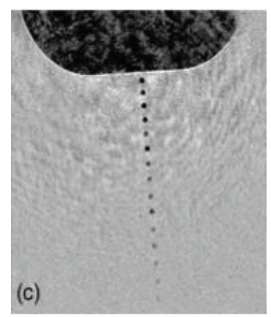
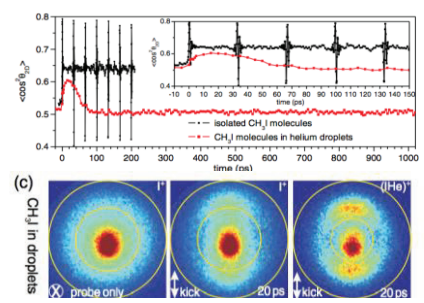
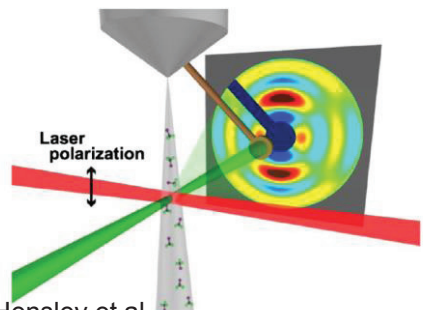
Science drivers



- **Focus on ultrafast, reversible processes in material science**
 - Faster integrated measurements
 - Higher SNR in shorter time, weakly scattering targets
- **Gas phase/hydrated samples**
 - 3D imaging of complex aligned molecules
 - Rep. rate matches with droplet injectors
sample waist minimized (biology)
- **May enable new science, as “tickle and probe”**
 - Weakly pumped systems. Non need to wait for relaxation time. Fully exploit the repetition rate. Lasers could be microfocused on sample via fibers.



Superfluids and Ultracold chemistry



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Conclusions

- The VHF gun has ran for almost 3 years now, demonstrating high reliability
- The Cs_2Te cathodes allow mA operations with very good lifetime.
- Phase-II will be focused on emittance and current measurements and will prove the Brightness
- The blending of electron high flux and high peak B. enables high resolution measurements with UED.

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