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Overview of alternative bunch and current-shaping techniques for low-energy electron beams*

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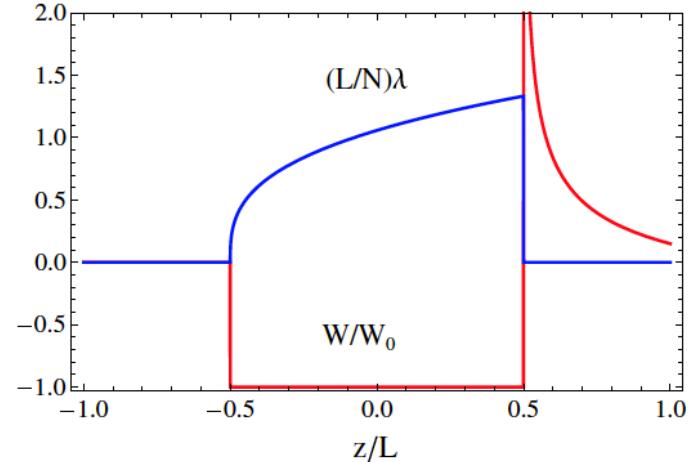
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Motivations within the FEL context

Mitchell, PRSTAB 16 060703 (2013)

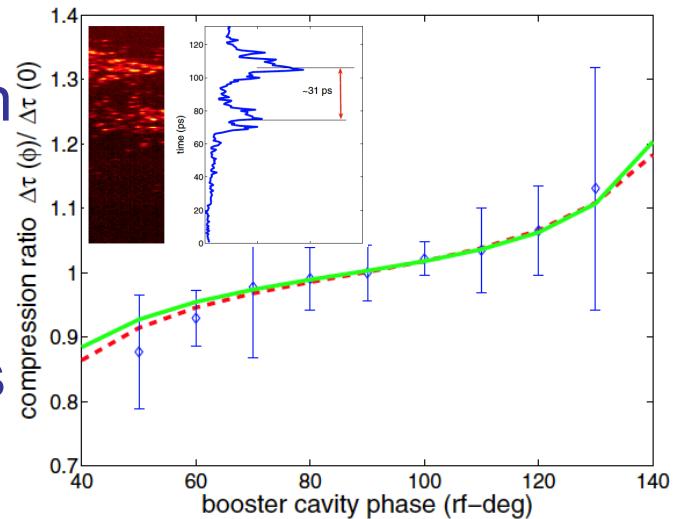
- **Compression:**

- compact light sources
- external injection into short- λ accelerating structures



- **Shaping:**

- narrowband radiation generation
- two-color FELs
- seeding techniques
- advanced acceleration concepts
- mitigation of collective effects
- diagnostics



Piot, PRSTAB 9 053501(2006)

Low-energy-beam bunching methods

- Energy-modulation
 - introduces time-energy correlation along the bunch
 - exploit the correlation,

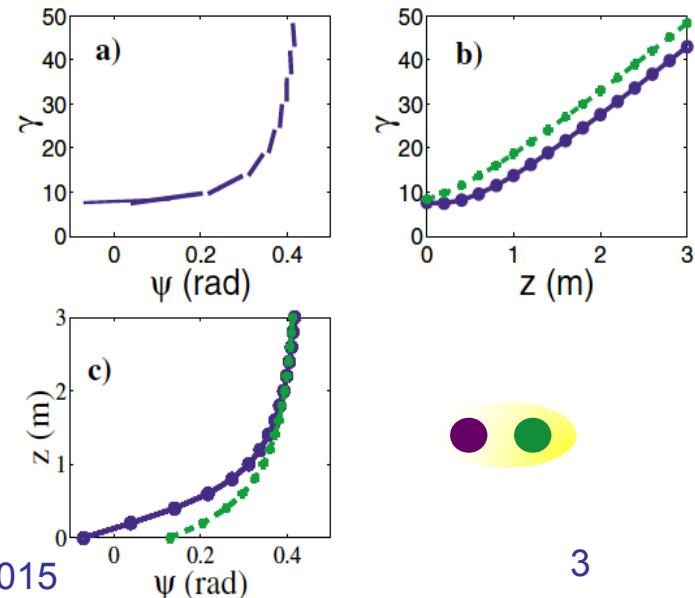
fractional momentum spread $\delta = \sum_i A_i \cos(k\zeta + \phi_i)$
 normalized field amplitude $d\zeta_f = R_{56}d\delta_0 + \mathcal{O}(d\delta_0^2)$
 field wavevector, phase electron coordinate
 $R_{56} = \frac{1}{\beta^2\gamma^2}$ for a drift

- Velocity bunching

- phase slippage w.r.t external field

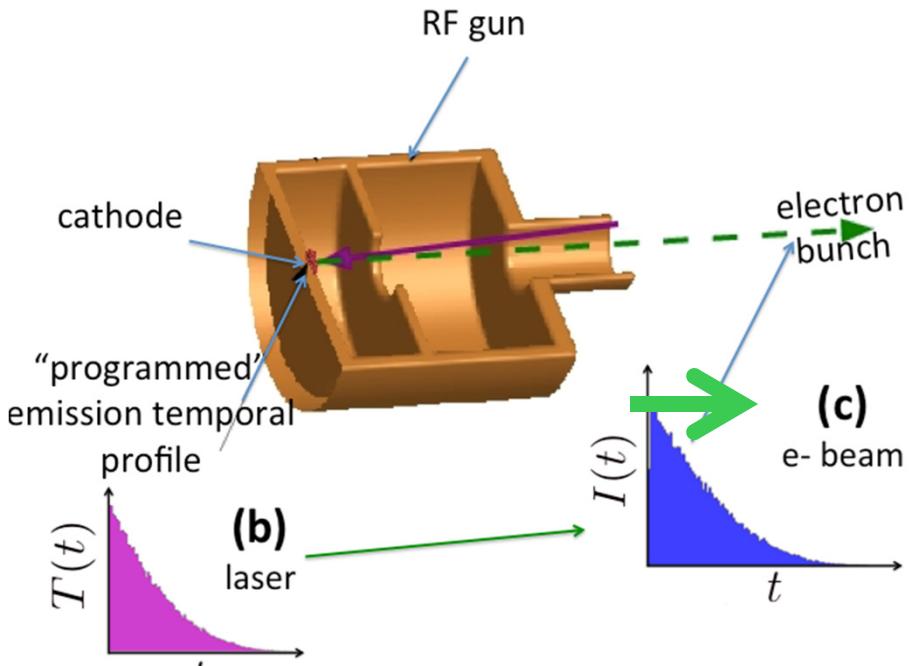
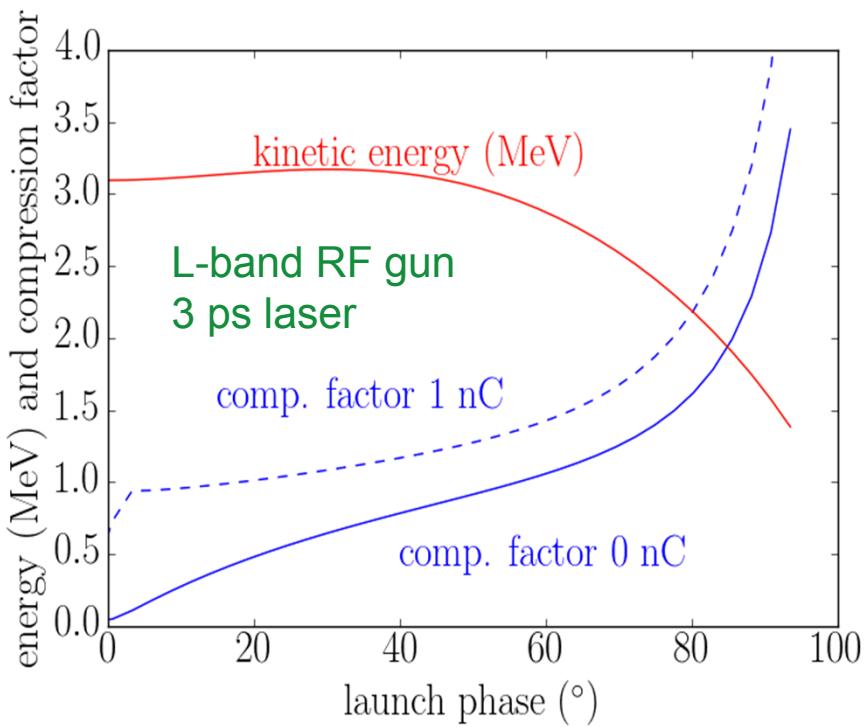
$$\frac{d\Psi}{d\zeta} = k \left(\frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} - 1 \right)$$

$$\frac{d\gamma}{d\zeta} = Ak \sin(\Psi)$$



Ab-initio electron-beam shaping

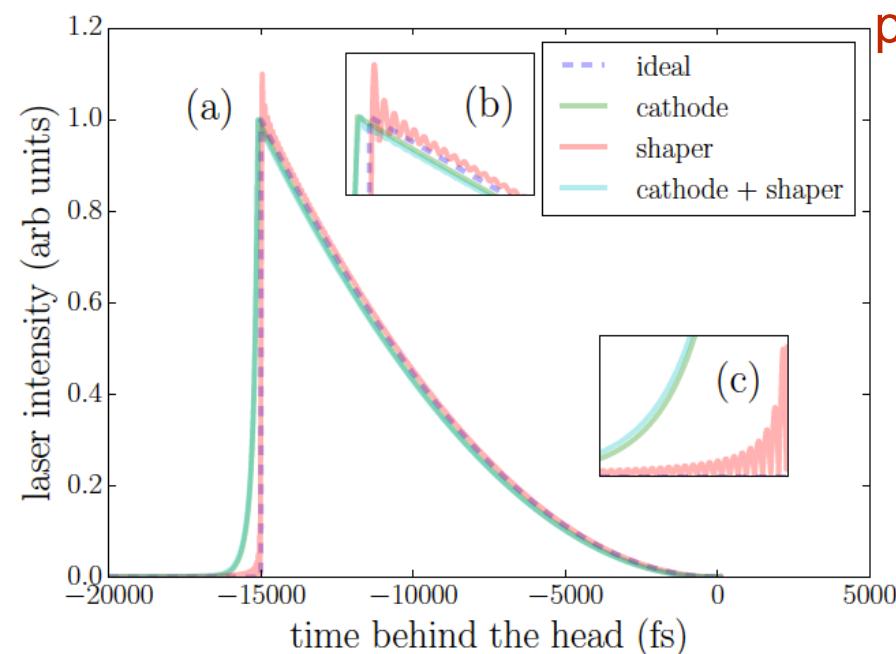
- temporally tailor the emission process to obtain the desired final electron density



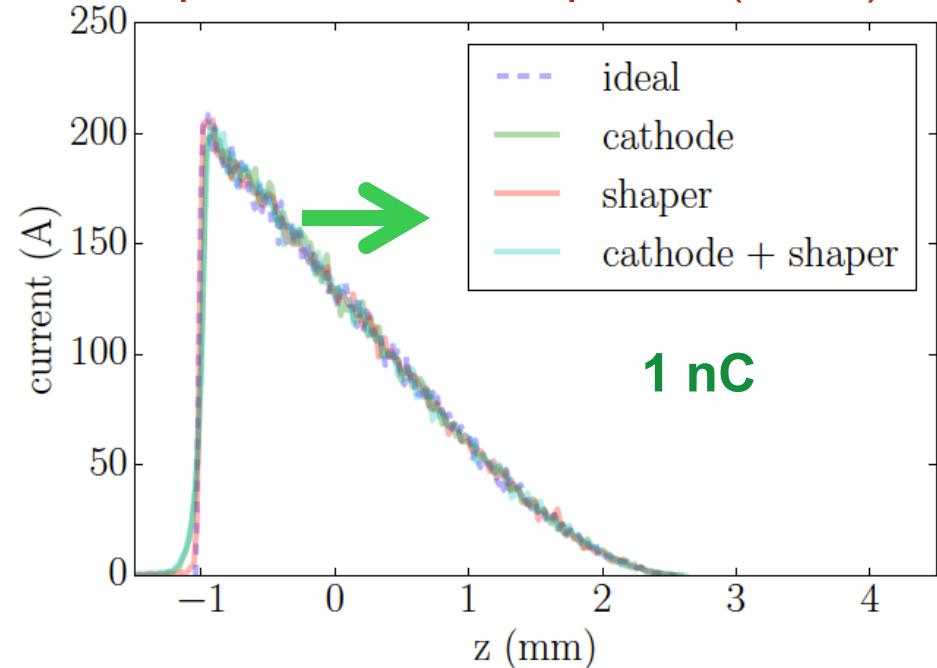
- minimum bunch length downstream of a conventional e- source (e.g. RF gun) is limited by RF and space-charge effects

Ab-initio electron-beam shaping via photoemission

- photoemission is a technique of choice
→ shaping accomplished via temporal tailoring of the drive laser.



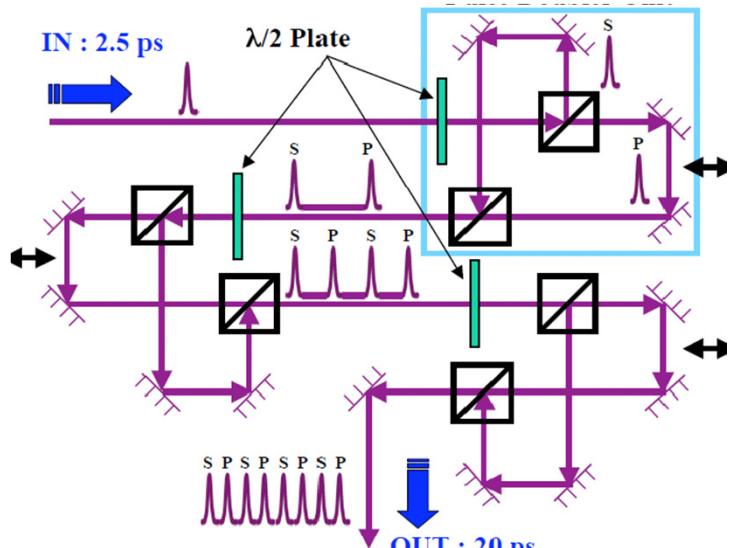
Simulation of laser shaping (left) and produced e- beam (right) including shaper and photoemission response (CsTe)



Lemery, PRSTAB 18, 081301 (2015)

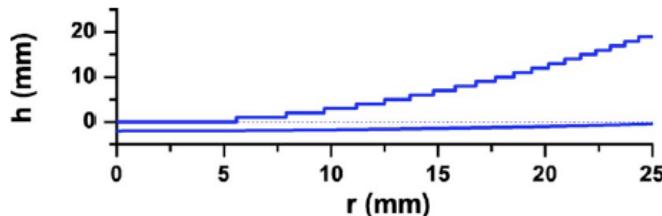
Laser-pulse tailoring

- Line-delay technique



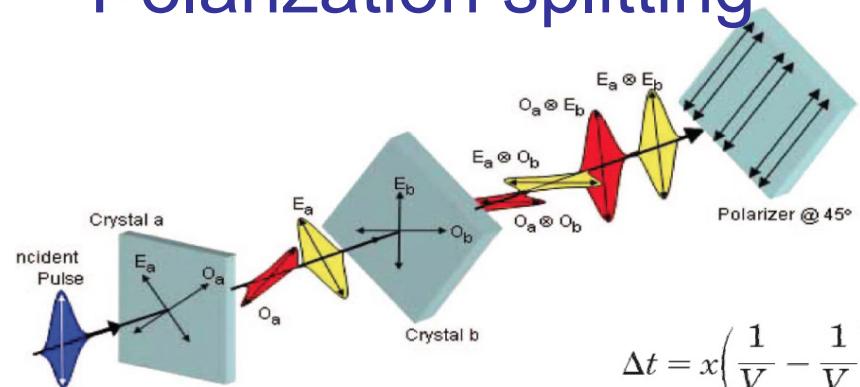
Tomizawa, QE 37, 697 (2007)

- Echelon lenses



Li, APL 92, 01101 (2008)

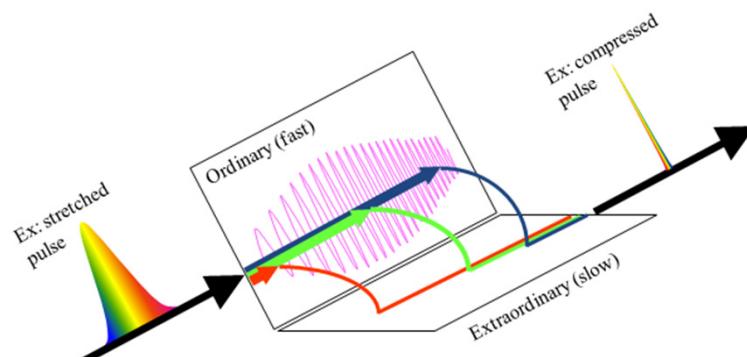
- Polarization splitting



$$\Delta t = x \left(\frac{1}{V_o} - \frac{1}{V_e} \right)$$

Dromey, App. Opt 46, 5142 (2007)

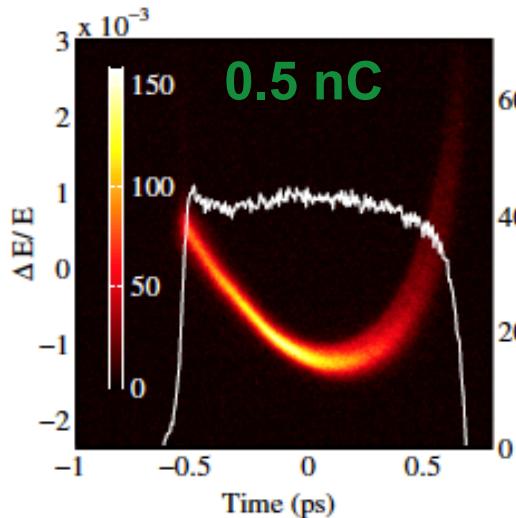
Acousto-optic programmable dispersive filter (DAZZLER®)



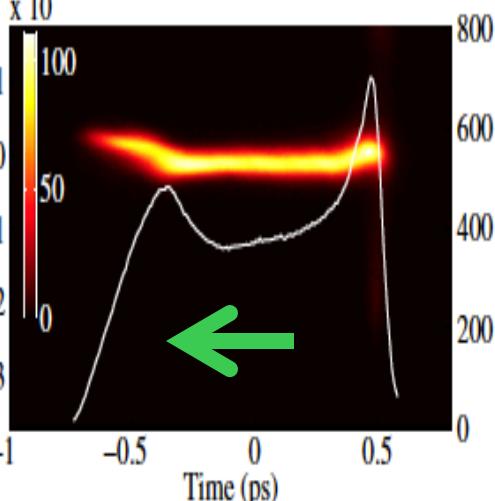
Mitigation of collective effects

- optimum laser shape tuned to pre-compensate wakefield-distortions
- shape has to have an inverted parabolic region

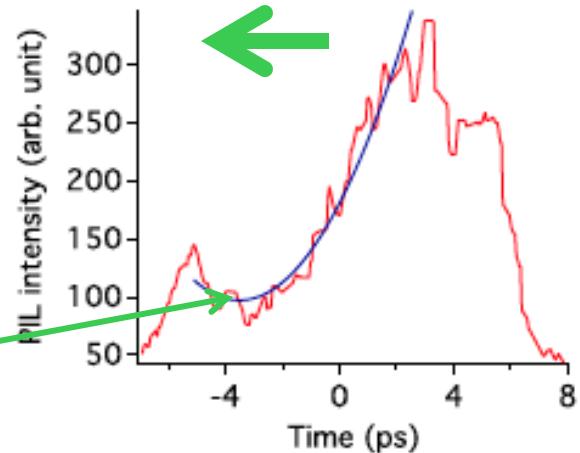
measured nominal



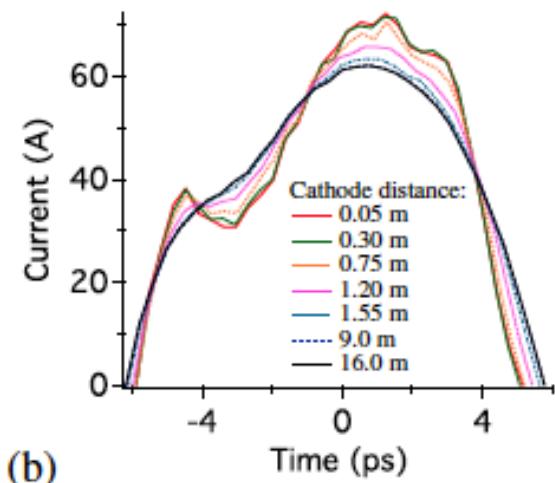
measured w.
optimal laser shape



measured UV laser shape



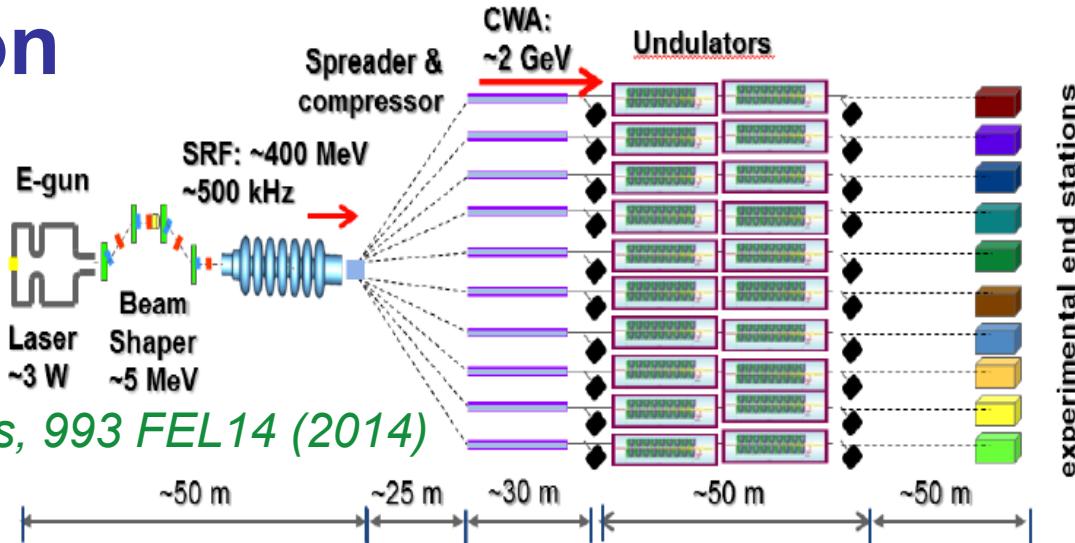
simulated evolution of
bunch's current profile



Production of tailored bunch for beam-driven acceleration

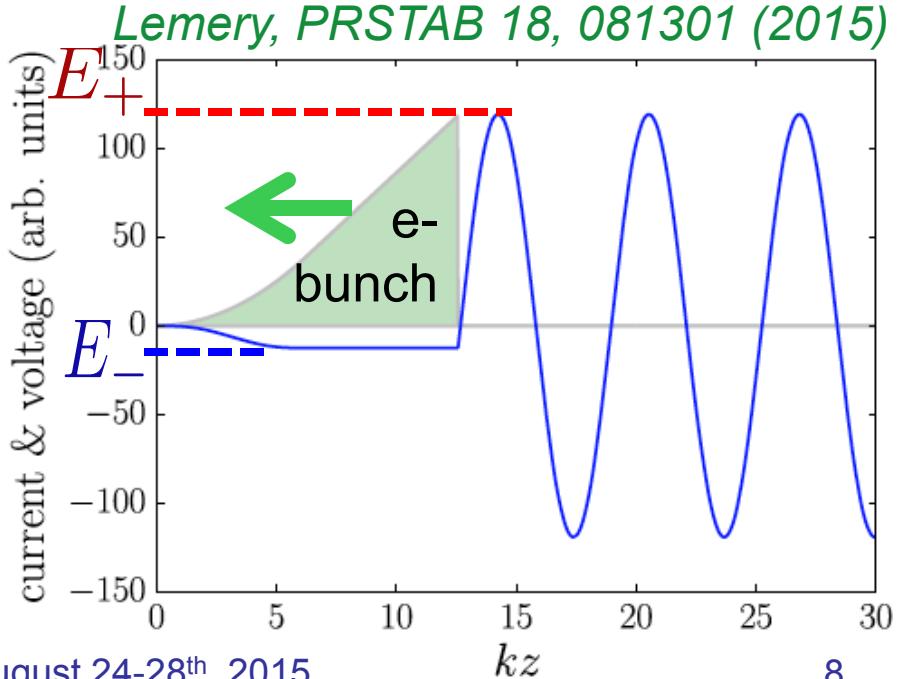
- Possible multiple-user FEL facility based on wakefield acceleration

Zholents, 993 FEL14 (2014)

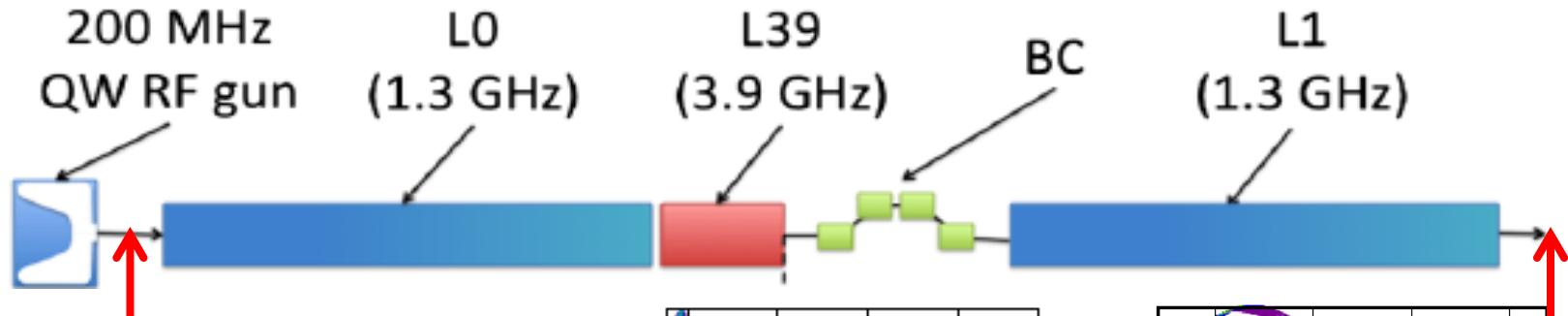


- Important parameters for this type of beam-driven acceleration is the **transformer ratio**

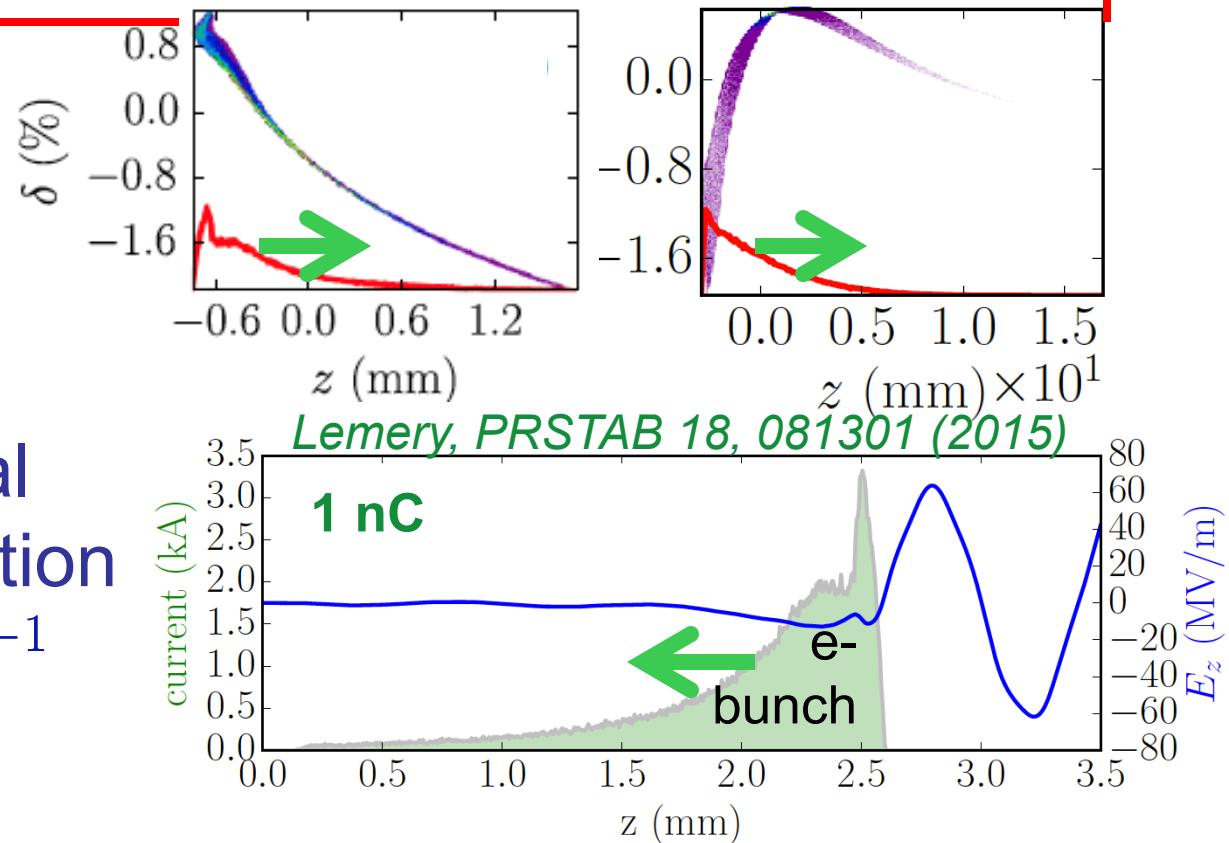
$$\mathcal{R} \equiv \left| \frac{E_+}{E_-} \right|$$



Production of tailored bunch for beam-driven acceleration (II)

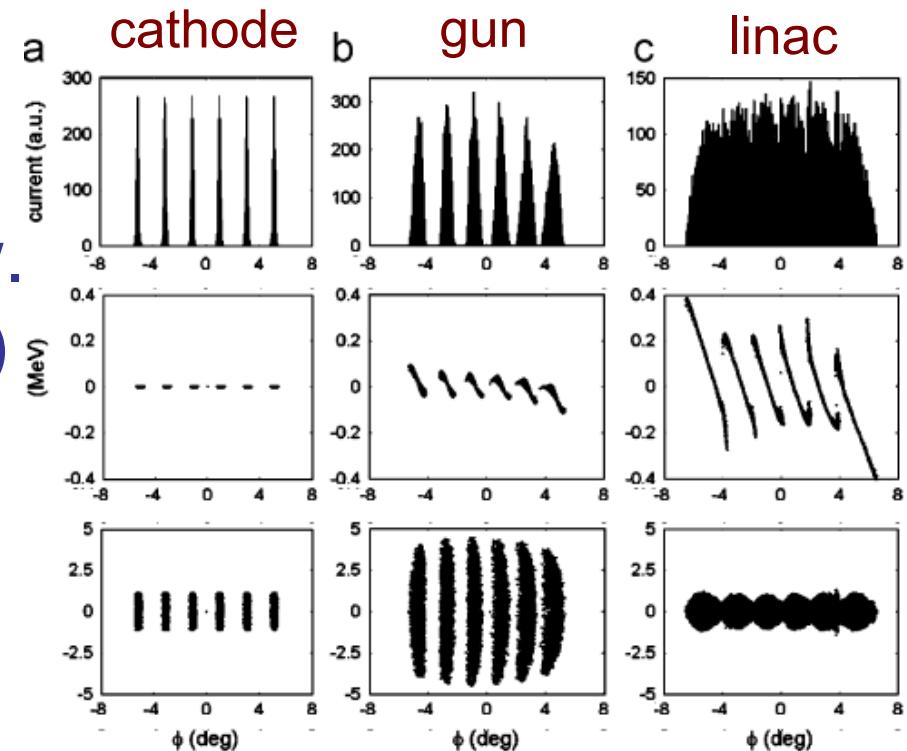
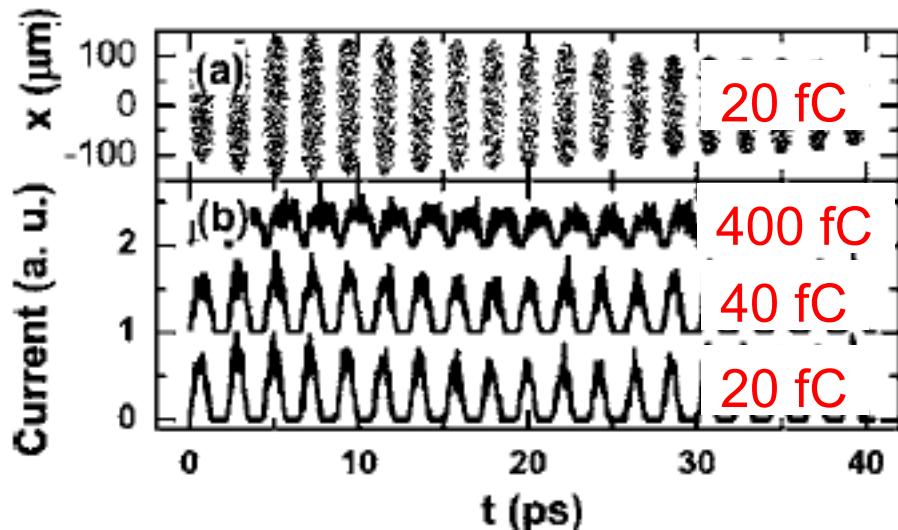


- laser shape combined with acceleration & compression
- close-to-optimal current distribution
 $E_+ \simeq 65 \text{ MV.m}^{-1}$
 $\mathcal{R} \simeq 5.5$



Generation of a bunch train with a laser pulses train

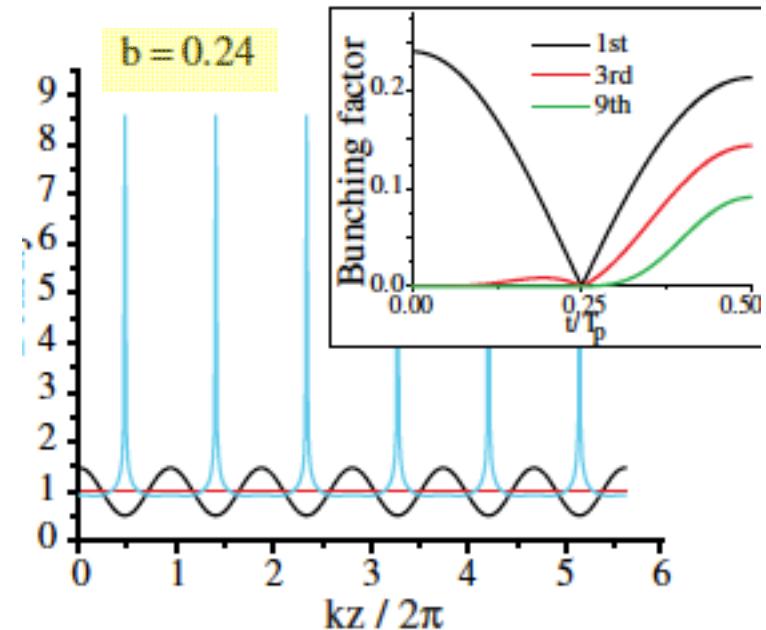
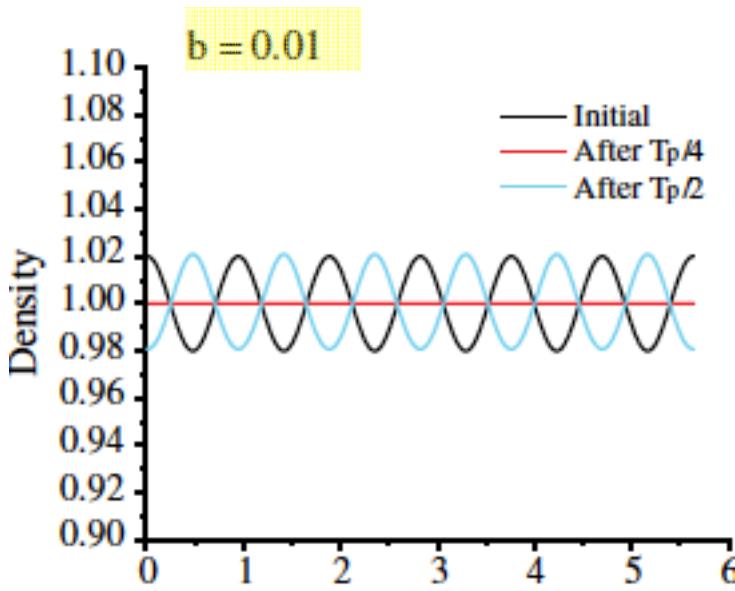
- challenging: initial density modulation is smeared
- *but* local correlations are imparted in the longit. phase space
→ can be recovered w. proper beam line (R_{56})



Boscolo NIM A 577 409 (2007)

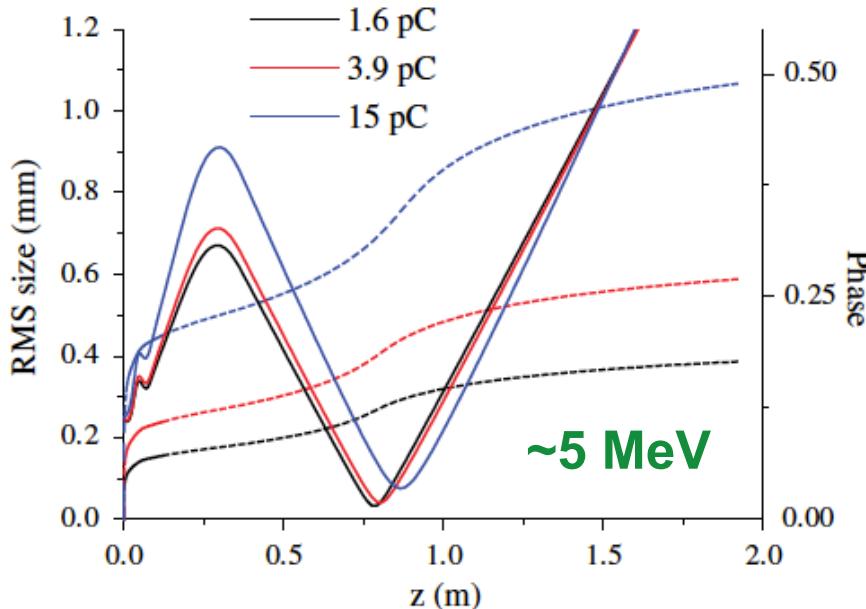
Use of velocity fields

- During the formation process, space charge plays an important role on the final shape, e.g. plasma oscillation
- space charge can also be exploited to produce bunch trains via wave-breaking



Pulse train generation revisited: control of longitudinal space-charge

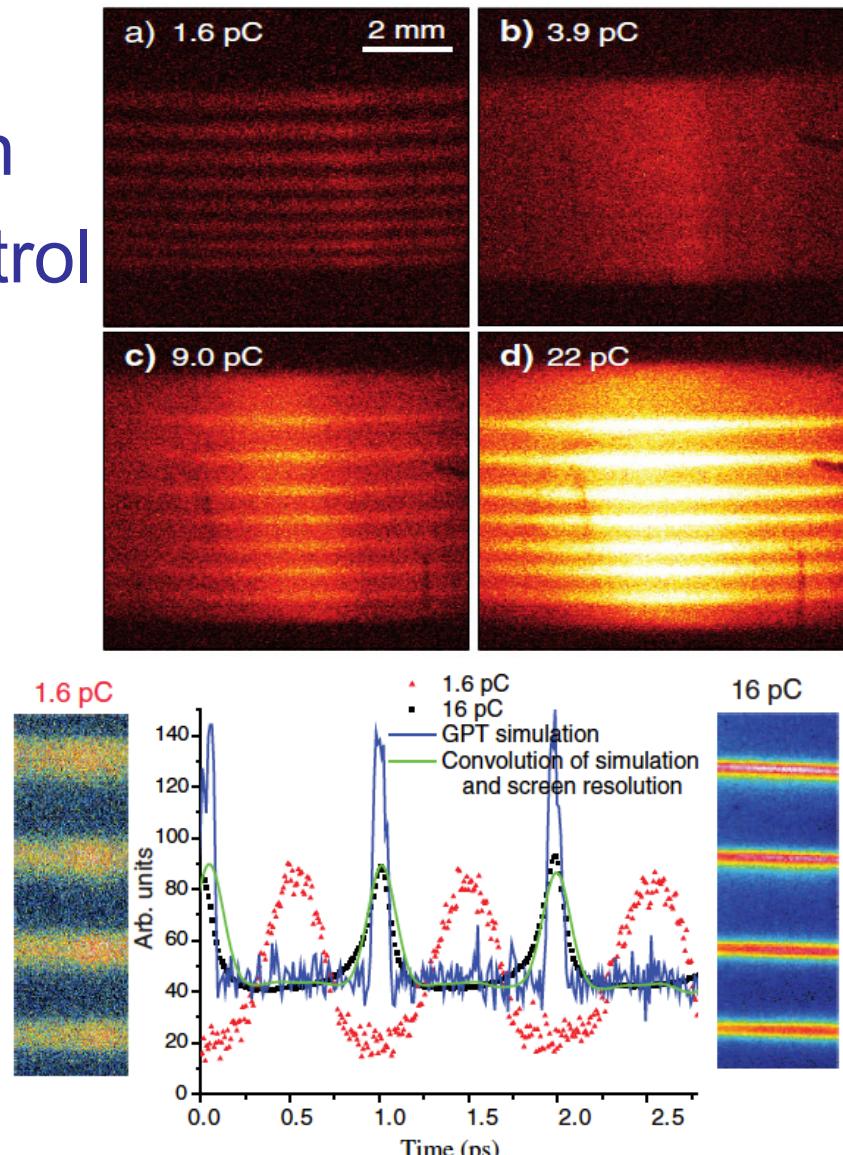
- formation of “spikes” downstream of an RF gun
- charge + spot size to control plasma-phase advance



Musumeci PRL 106 184801 (2011)

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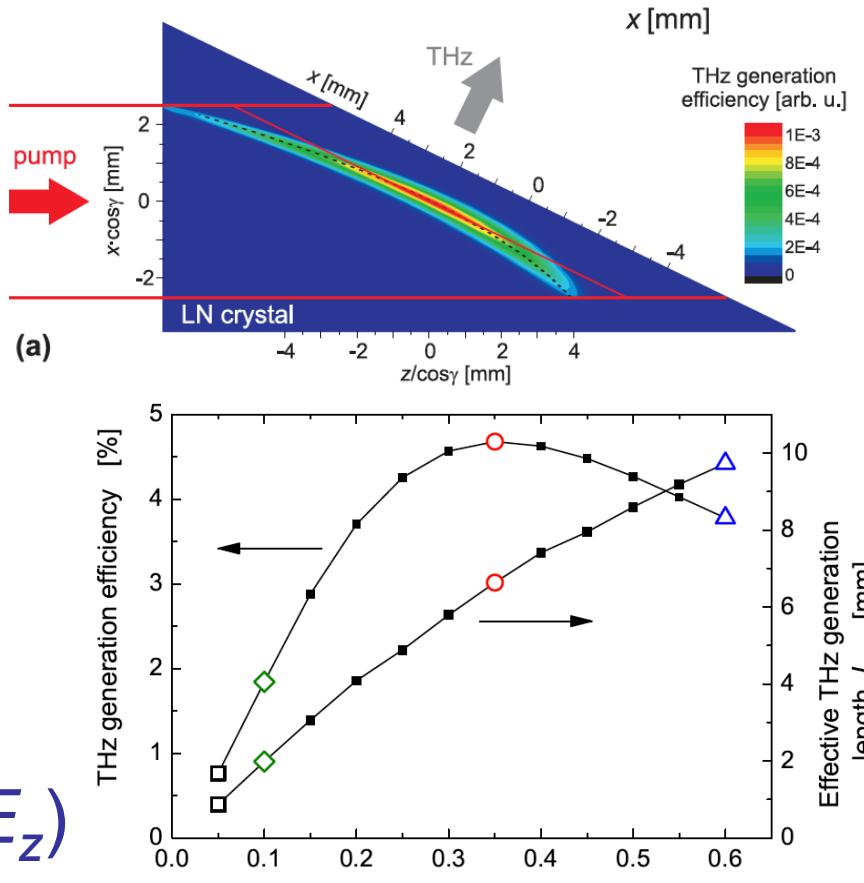
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Use of external fields

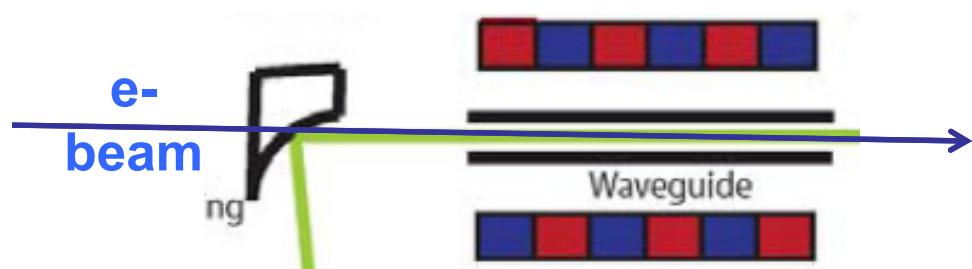
- External field for velocity bunching or energy modulation has so far been limited to RF or optical wavelength
- Emergence of efficient THz-production mechanisms has opened new opportunities → better matching to the beam produced in RF injectors
- capability to manipulate this THz pulse e.g. from TEM_{00} to TEM_{01}^* (to get E_z)

Fulop, OE 18 12311 (2010)



THz IFEL

- THz pulse from optical rectification of IR pulse
- Pulse co-propagated with electron bunch in a undulator + waveguide system
→ natural synchronization



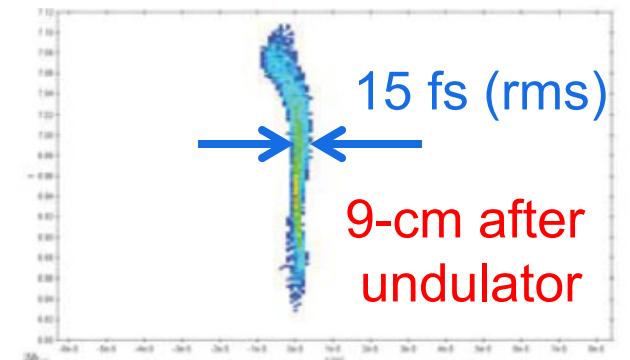
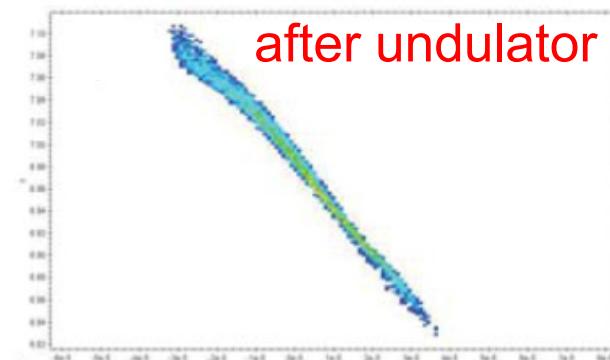
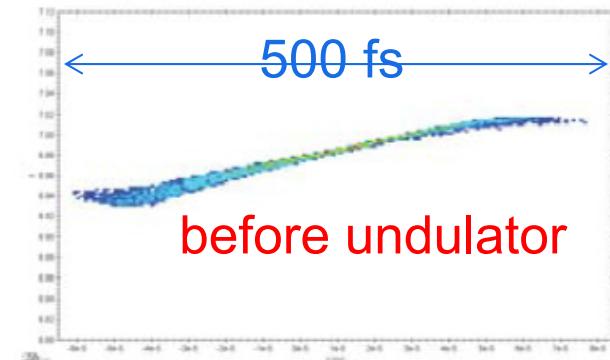
Beam Parameters

Average γ	7
Normalized Emittance	.1 mm-mrad
Charge	1 pC

Undulator Parameters

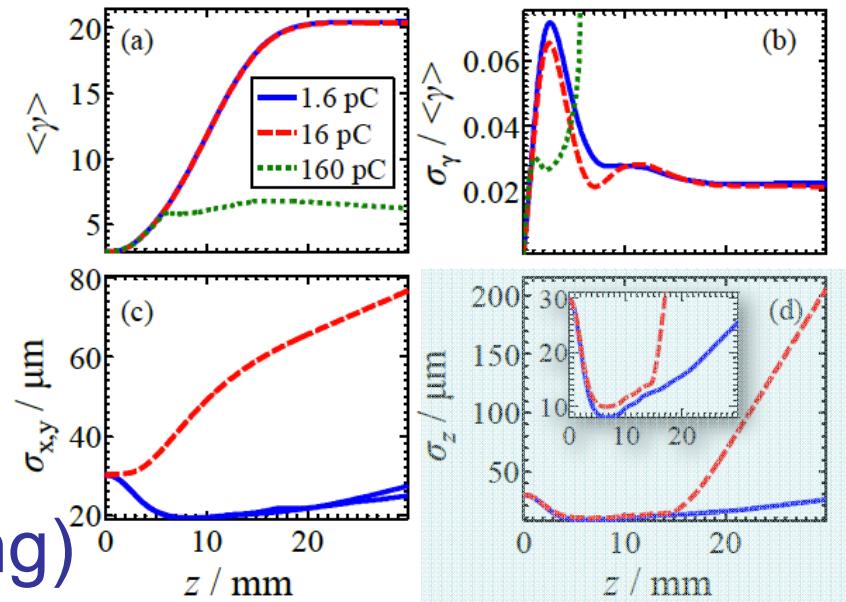
K	1.656
K_L	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$
λ_w	1.77 cm
λ	430 μ m
L_u	14.2 cm

Moody AIP 1507 (AAC10) 722 (2012)

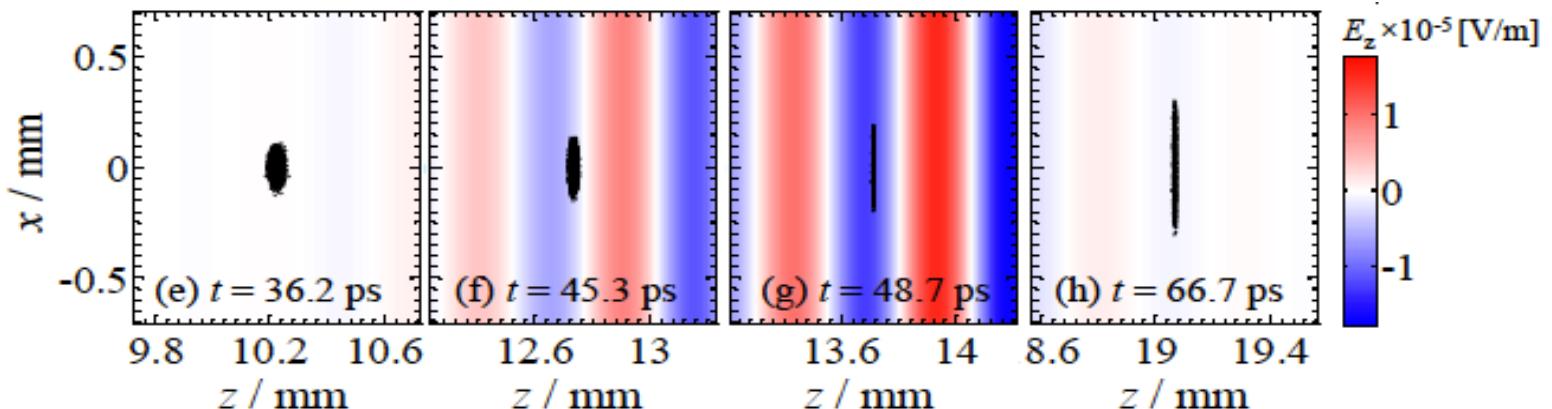


Interaction with a THz traveling pulse

- Radially-polarized THz pulse combined with dielectric-line waveguide
- net energy exchange
→ accelerate and compress via velocity bunching)



Wong, OE 21 9792 (2013)

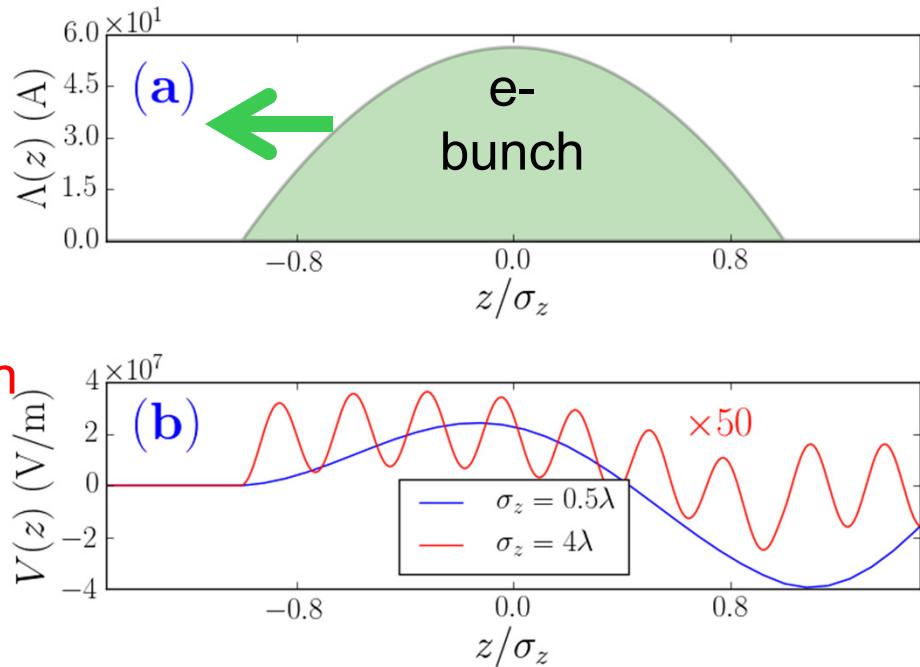
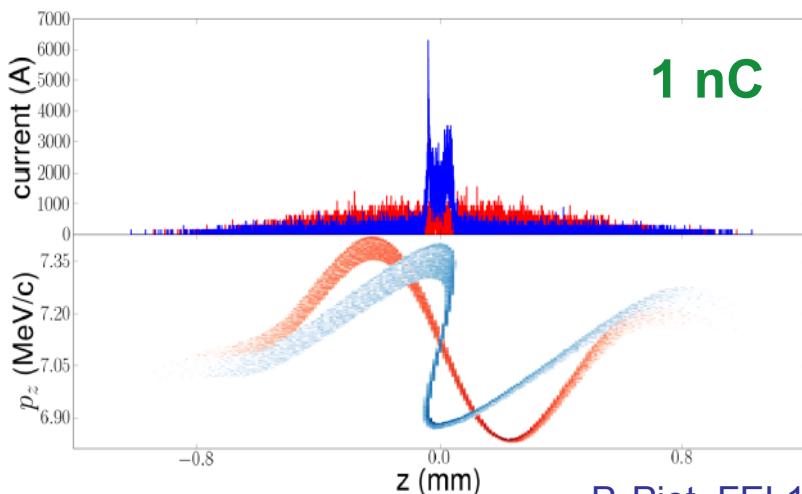


Use of self (radiative) fields

- wakefields introduce energy change along the bunch

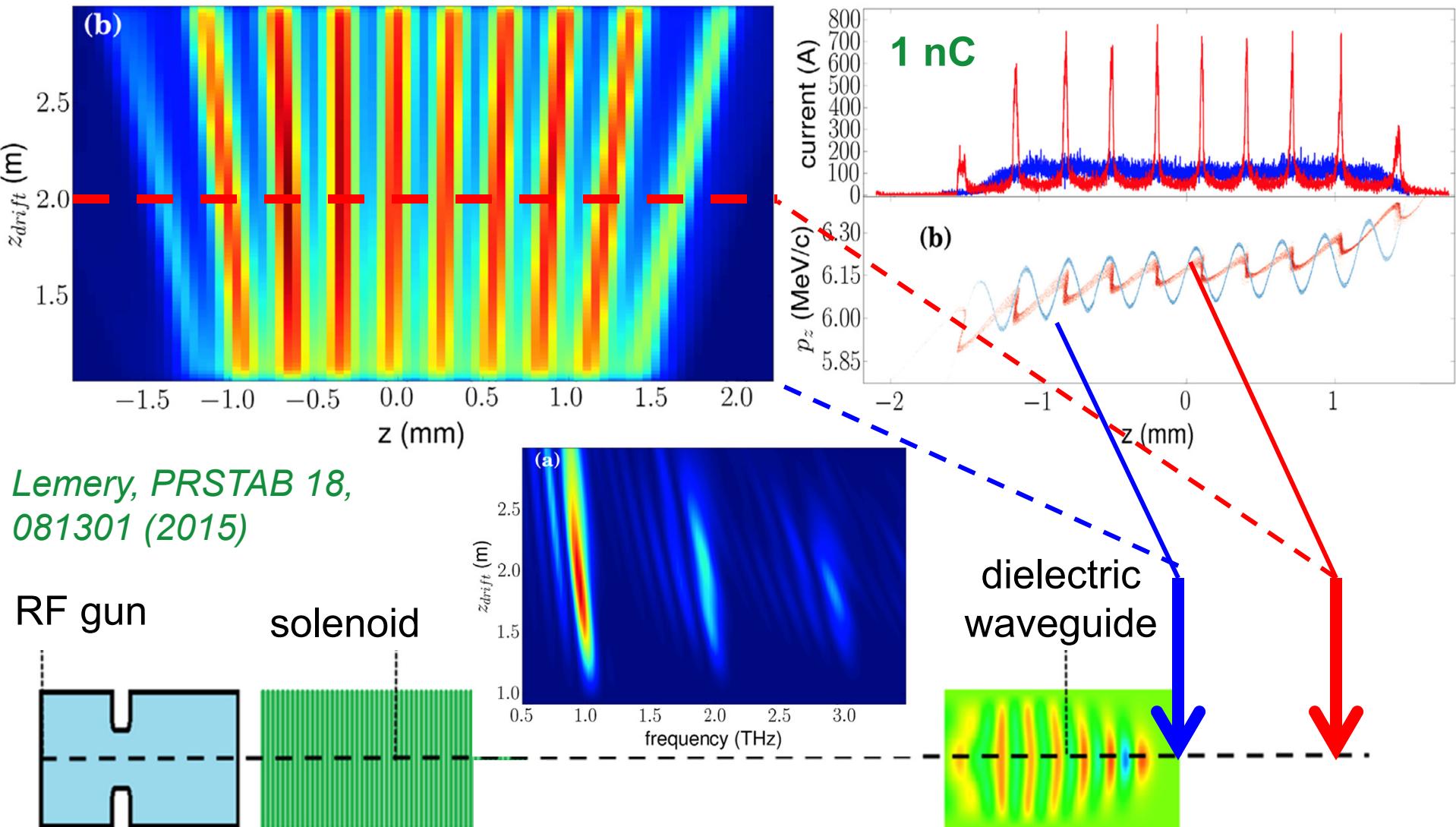
$$\Delta\mathcal{E}(\zeta) = LQ \int_{-\infty}^{\zeta} G(\zeta - \zeta') \Lambda(\zeta') d\zeta',$$

charge ↗
 interaction length ↗
 bunch distribution ↗
 Green's function ↗



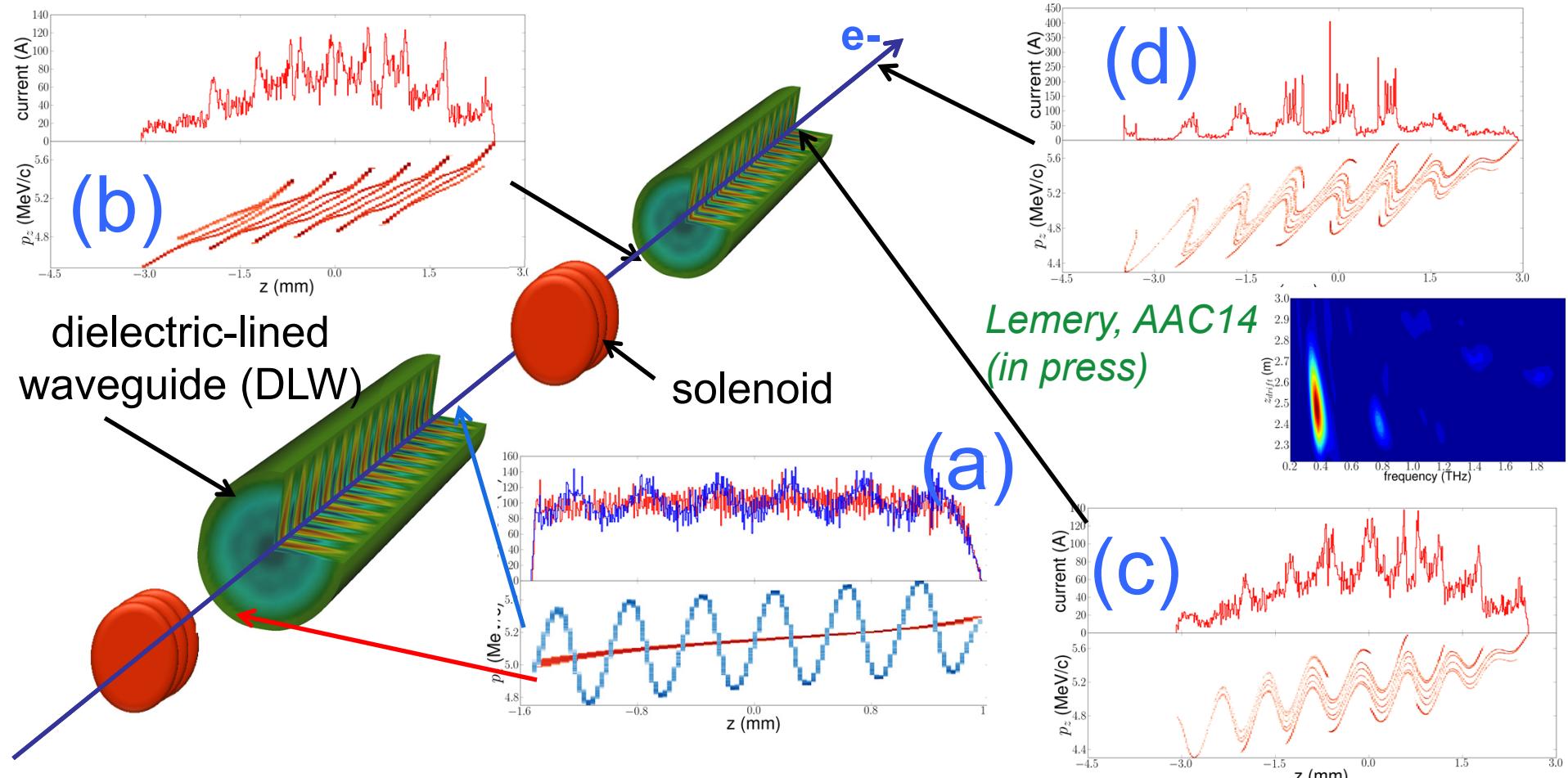
- depending on the wakefield wavelength
 - fast modulations
 - chirp for compression
- conversion to density modulations

Self interaction with wakefield in a dielectric tube: train formation



Self interaction with wakefield in a dielectric tube: forming short structures

- combining several DLW yield to “wakefield-assisted high-harmonic generation” WAHHG



Phase space exchangers

- Beam line exchanging coordinates between two degrees of freedom
→ flexibility to temporal shaping
- In transverse (x_0, x'_0) to longitudinal (ζ, δ) phase space exchangers we have

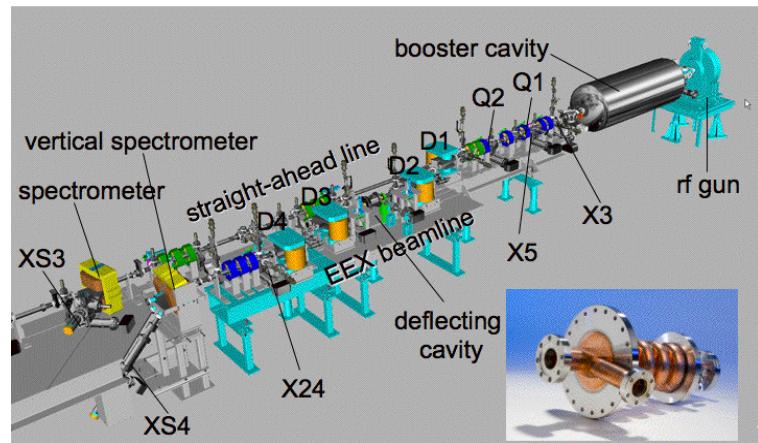
$$\zeta = ex_0 + fx'_0$$

$$\delta = gx_0 + hx'_0$$

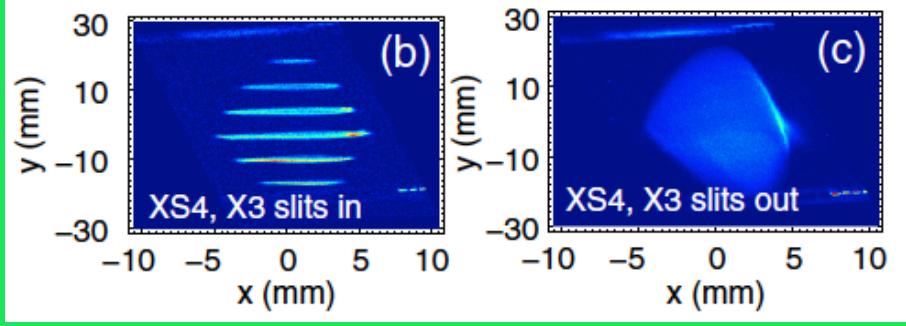
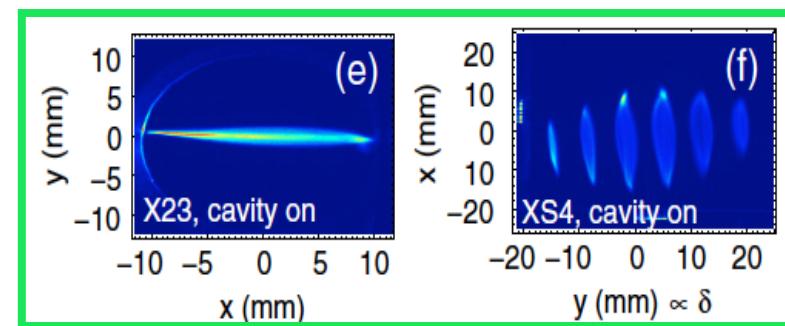
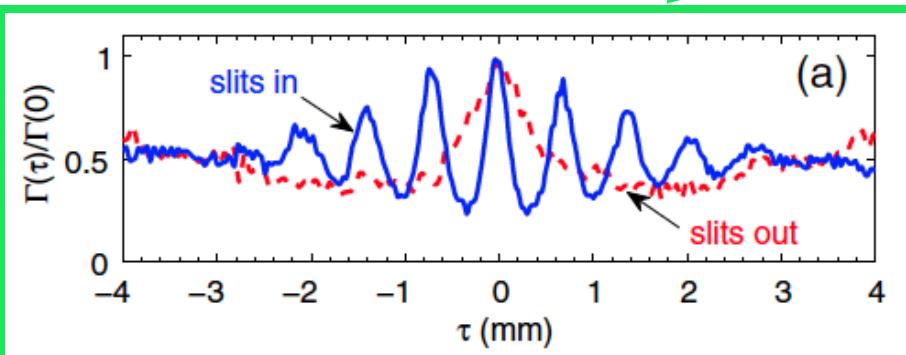
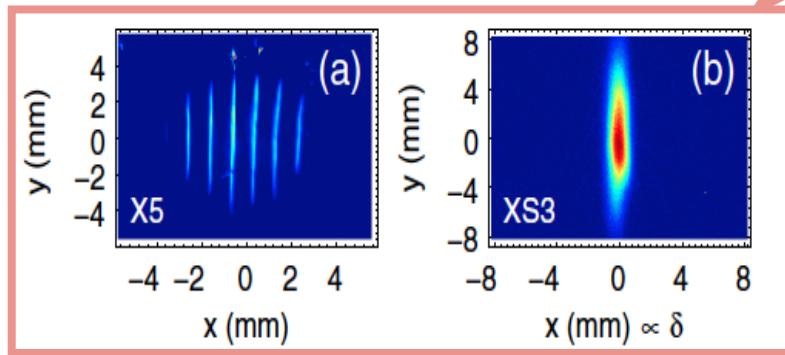
- shaping the **transverse** distribution upstream the exchanger can enable **temporal** tailoring downstream

Phase-space exchanger: Bunch-train generation

- Tailored transverse distribution via interceptive mask (slits)

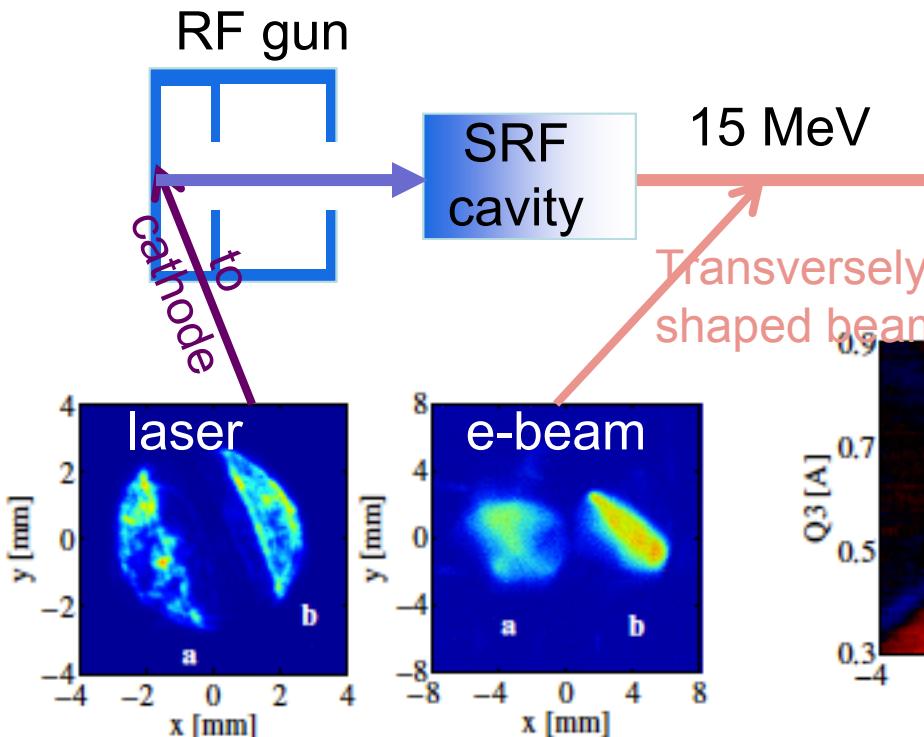


Transversely-shaped beam → EEX beamline → Longitudinally-shaped beam



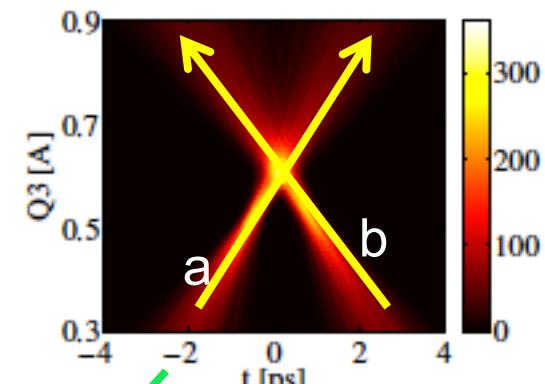
Phase-space exchanger: twin-pulse formations

- direct imaging of cathode surface into the longitudinal phase space
- a transversely segmented laser pulse yield a “twin” electron bunch



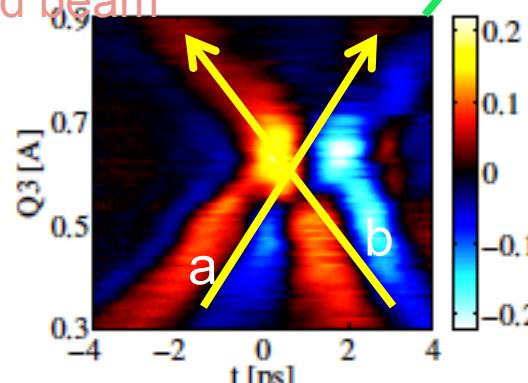
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simulated electron bunch distribution



Maxwell, Proc.
IPAC12 (2012)

Longitudinally-
shaped beam

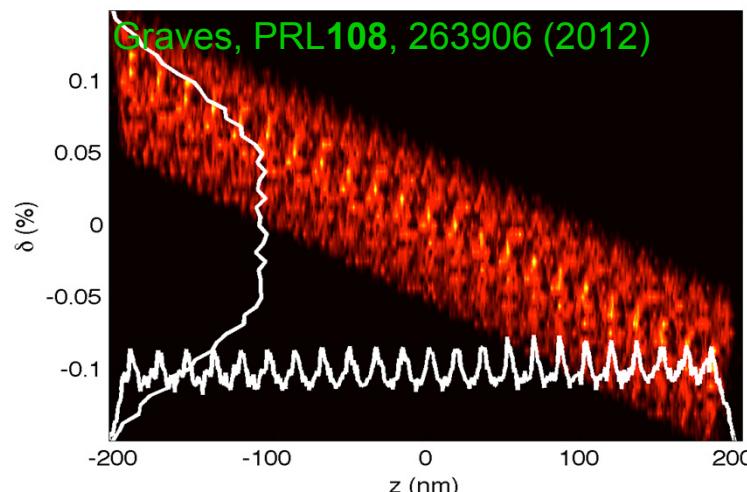
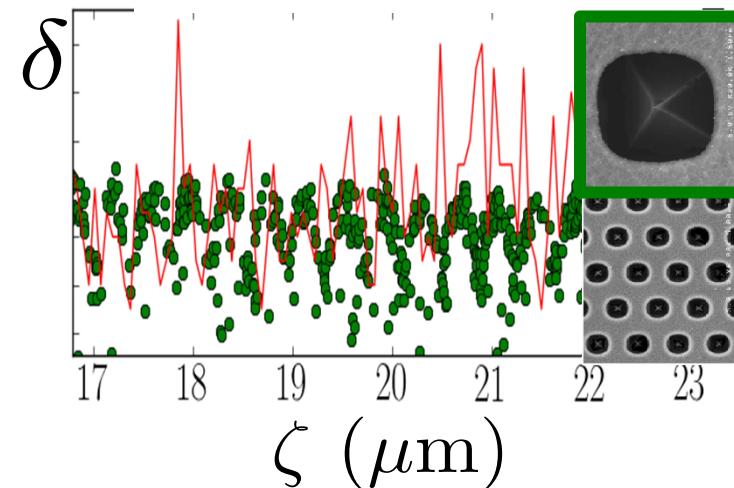


Measured Single shot
electro optical imaging
of coherent transition
radiation

Final comment: beyond photoemission

- Most of the technique described based on photoemission
- Field emission, e.g., optically-assisted could also be used
 - direct emission with periodicity of field-enhancing laser,
 - use of patterned field-emission cathodes combined with phase-space exchanger (an extension of previous slide to shorter λ)

*WARP simulation by A. Lueangaramwong (NIU)
100 nm from cathode*



Summary

- Over the recent years new applications of low-energy relativistic electron beams (UED, external injection for LWFA,...)
→ development of alternative bunching and current shaping techniques
- Vast range of available techniques are providing new opportunities for light-source designers:
 - mitigation/control of collective effects,
 - new FEL-driver accelerators,
 - compact coherent light sources,
 - ...

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