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# DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPACT LIGHT SOURCE USING A TWO-BEAM-ACCELERATION TECHNIQUE

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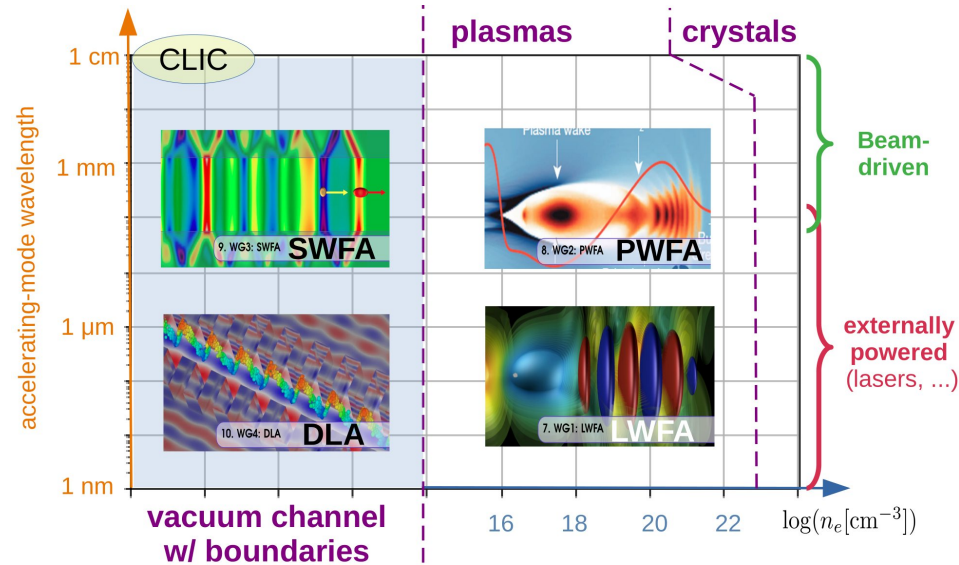


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# MOTIVATIONS

## Developing technologies for future HEP linear colliders

- High-accelerating gradient accelerator offer a path to cheaper, and smaller e<sup>+</sup>/e<sup>-</sup> linear colliders
- Many schemes have been proposed e.g. based on plasma or exotic structures
- Our group explore methods for beam-driven acceleration based on **structure wakefield acceleration (SWFA)**
  - Examples include: corrugated or dielectric-lined waveguide, metamaterials, ...
  - SWFA are closer to conventional accelerator and can be configured in two ways



# STRUCTURE WAKEFIELD ACCELERATION

## CWA versus TBA

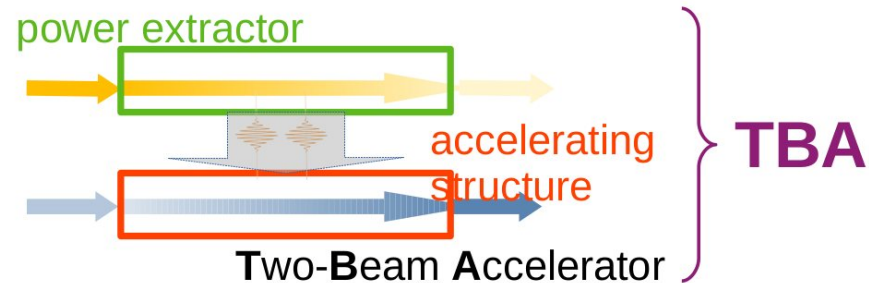
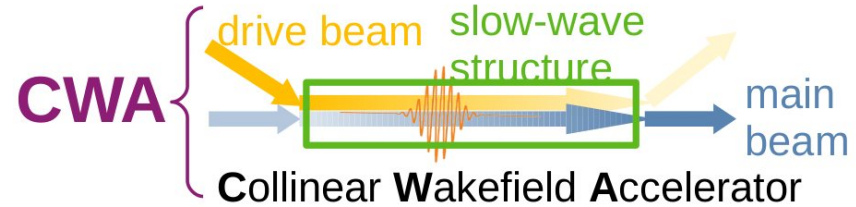
### ▪ Collinear wakefield acceleration (CWA)

- One beamline for both beam
- Near-field → scalable to THz frequencies
- E field ~GV/m demonstrated

### ▪ Two-beam acceleration (TBA)

- based on conventional technology
- High power short pulse generation (~1 GW 10-ns pulses generated)

### ▪ SWFA uses structures so it is ultimately limited by breakdowns

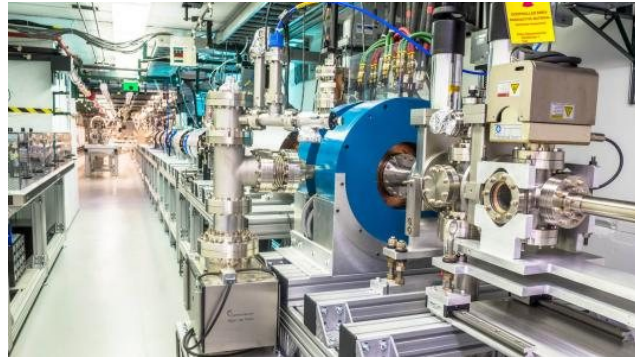
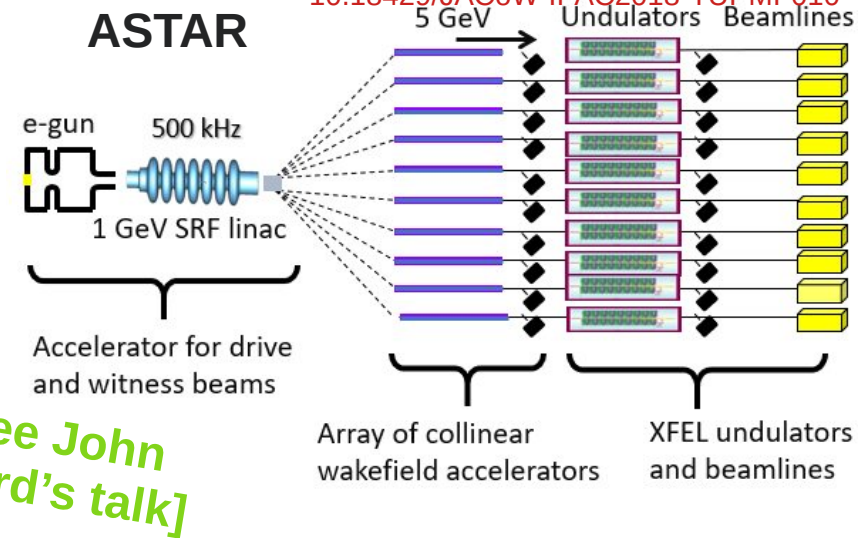


Y. Cai, P. Piot (Editors) ICFA beam dynamics newsletter **83**,  
10.1088/1748-0221/17/05/T05005 (2023).

# INTRODUCTION

## A light source as a stepping stone

- Developing an integrated accelerator for light-source applications is critical to show the viability of the concepts
- Over the last ~5 years ANL has been exploring a CWA options (ASTAR)



<https://www.anl.gov/awa>

- This talk focuses on the TBA option (started Fall2022)
  - Uses conventional technology less risky
  - 500-MeV demo in preparation at the Argonne Wakefield Accelerator (AWA) aligned with facility's research focus on HEP colliders
  - Leverage recent breakthrough on high-field generation in structures

# PATH TO GV/M FIELD IN STRUCTURES

## Short high-peak-power RF pulse

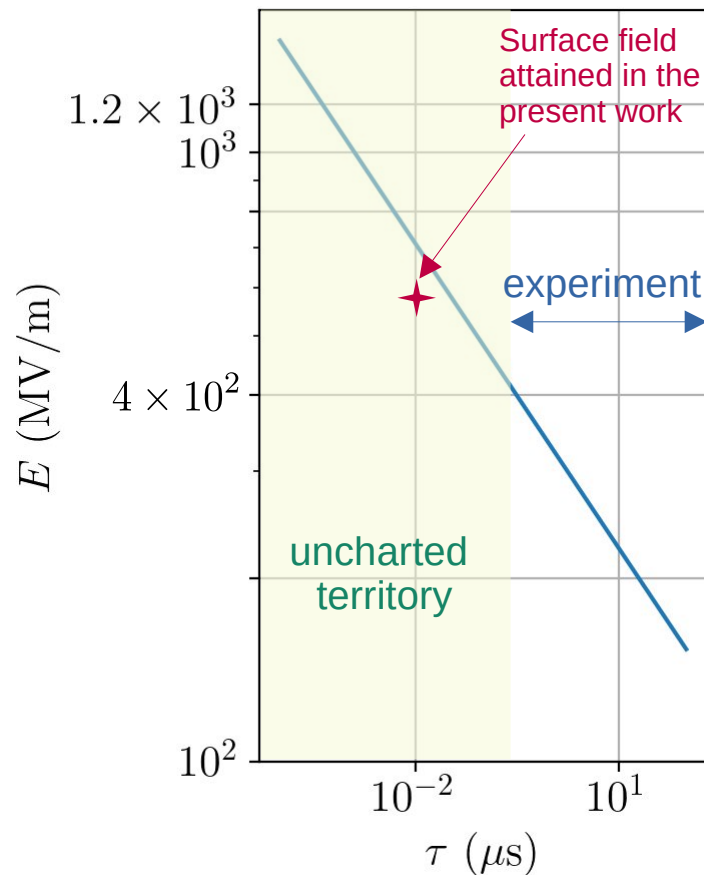
- Breakdown is a major limitation to support high electric field in structure
- Fitting of experimental data\* (CERN) on breakdown suggest a scaling

$$BDR \propto E^{30} \tau^5$$

accelerating field

RF pulse duration

- So far pulse duration was limited by available RF pulse duration
- RF-pulse duration produced via wakefield can be much shorter...



\*A. Grudiev, et al. PRAB 10.1103/PhysRevSTAB.12.102001 (2009)

# AWA EXPERIMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE

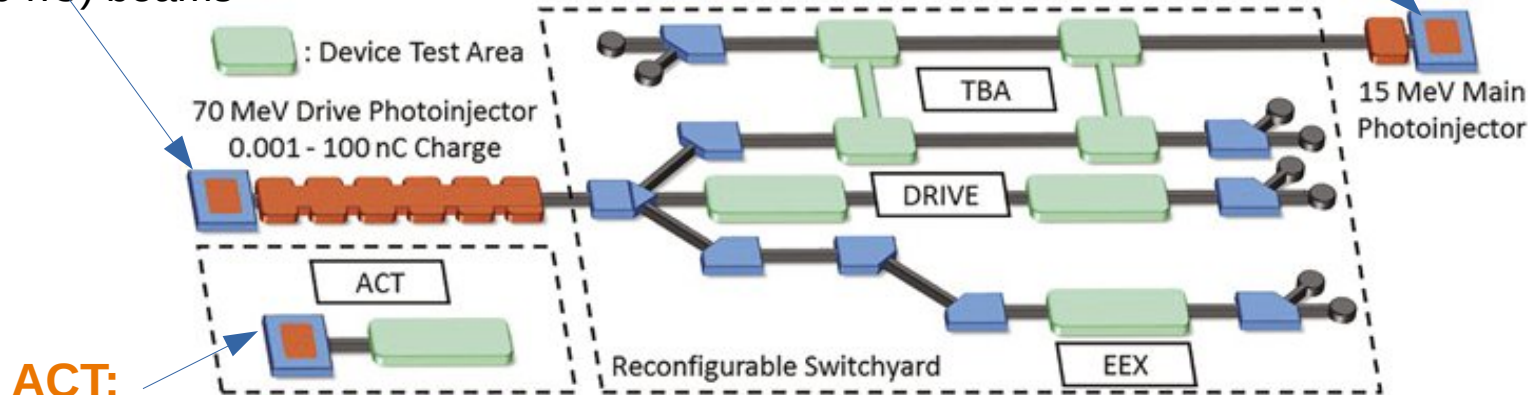
## Independent/versatile beamlines and high-power laser

### Drive beam:

- backbone accelerator
- <70-MeV bright or high-charge (400 nC) beams

### Witness beam:

- ultimately produces bright beam for TBA or CWA applications
- supports low-energy experiments



### ACT:

- cathode research
- physics of breakdown
- low-energy diagnostics tests

### Laser:

- ~100 mJ (IR), 12 mJ (UV),
- 300 fs (nominal)
- temporal shaping

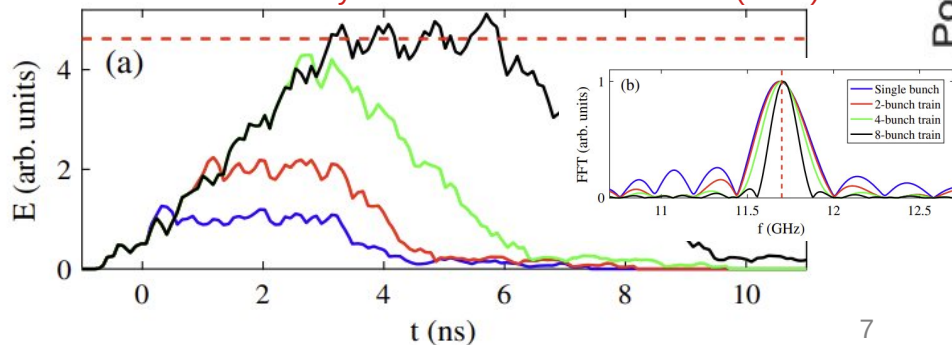


# PATH TO GV/M FIELD IN STRUCTURES

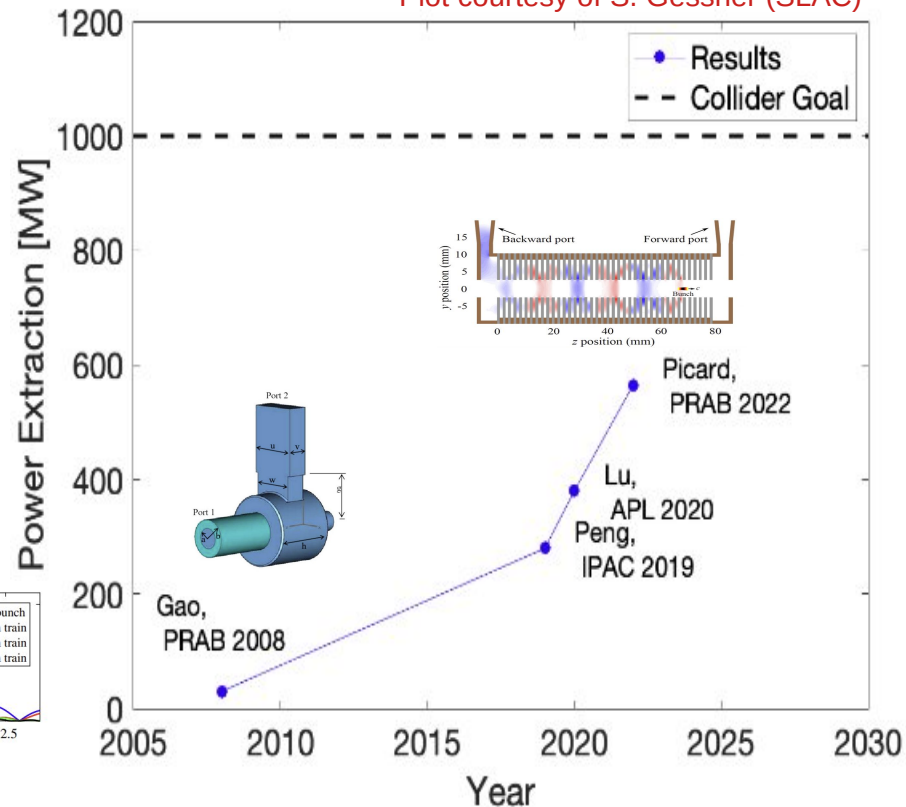
## Power generation

- Use a relativistic beam into a power extraction and transfer structure (PETS)
- AWA has tested several structures operating at X-band (9x1.3=11.7.GHz)
- We now reliably produce high-peak power (~0.5 GW) short (<3-10 ns) RF pulses

J. Shao et al. PRAB  
10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.23.011301 (2020)



Plot courtesy of S. Gessner (SLAC)



# HIGH-FIELD PHOTOEMISSION SOURCE

## Producing brighter electron beams

- Conventional approach to producing bright electron beam relies on photo-emission electron source based on RF cavities
- Beam brightness scales as

4D beam brightness  
(*ideally* invariant)

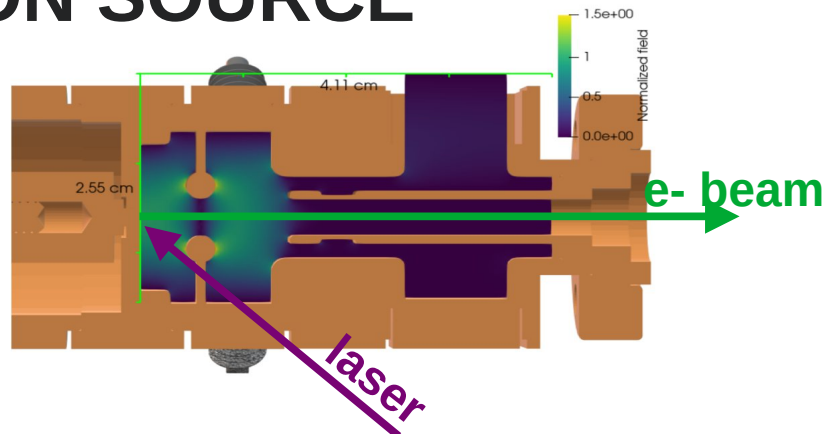
$$\mathcal{B} \propto \frac{E_0^\nu}{\text{MTE}}$$

field experienced at emission (controlled by applied accelerating field)

depends on ab-initio aspect ratio of the beam

mean-transverse energy [a property of the emitting surface (photocathode)]

- Ideally*, high field is favorable to higher brightness; however chemical and physical topology of photocathodes sets a limit on the brightness

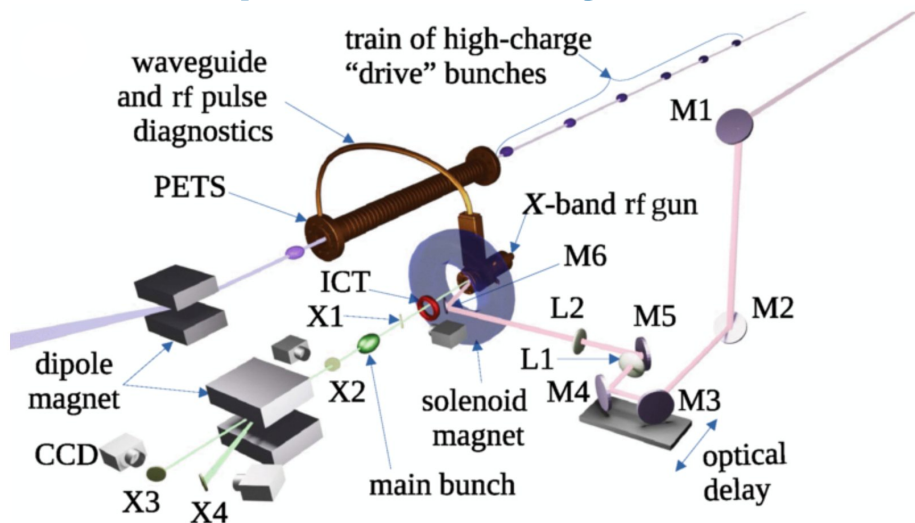


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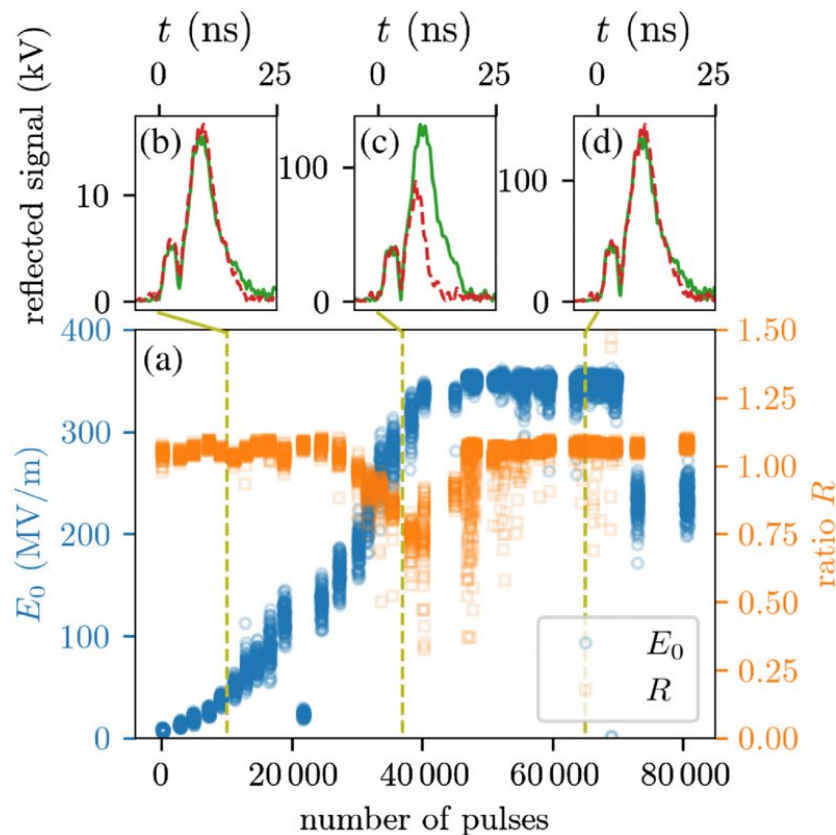


# ELECTRON SOURCE DEMONSTRATION

## Stable operation at high field



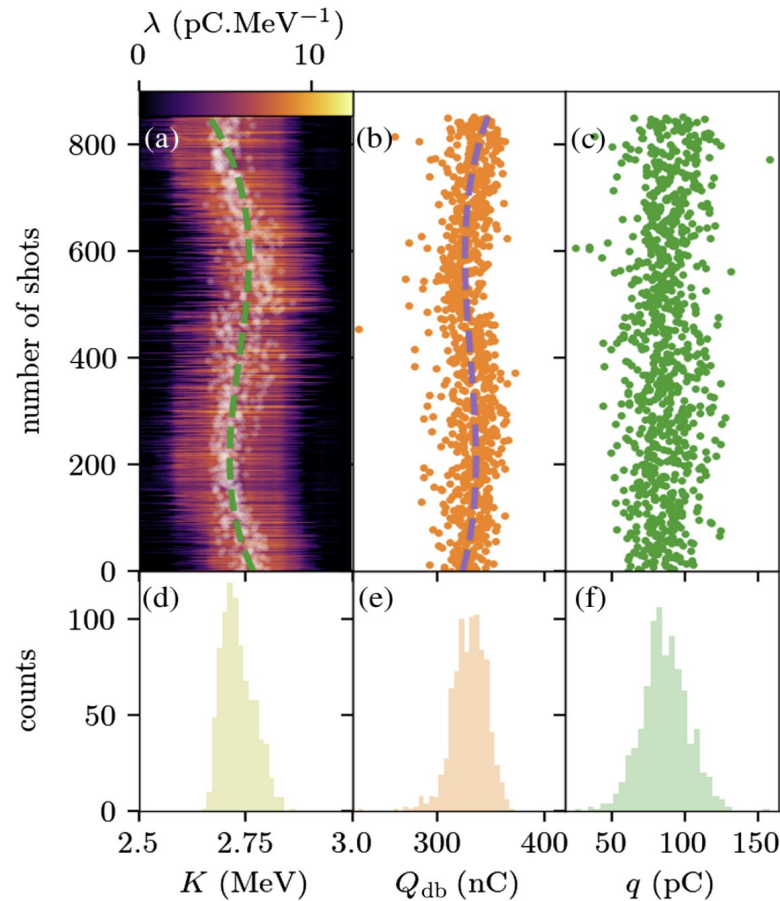
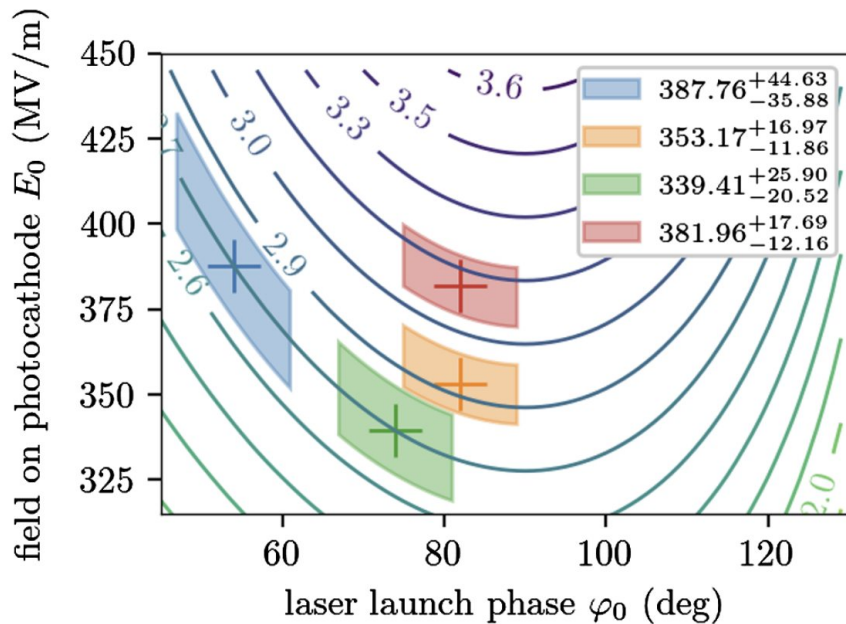
- PETS driven by 8 bunches ( $E=60$  MeV,  $Q\sim 350$  nC)
- Field in excess of 350 MV/m on cathode produced (estimated from RF calibration)



# ELECTRON SOURCE DEMONSTRATION

## First electron beam

- Stable beam was produced
- Jitter correlated with drive-beam jitter



# NEXT-PHASE EXPERIMENT

## Thermal emittance & photoemission in strong-field regime

“main” beam direction in XRF-gun beamline

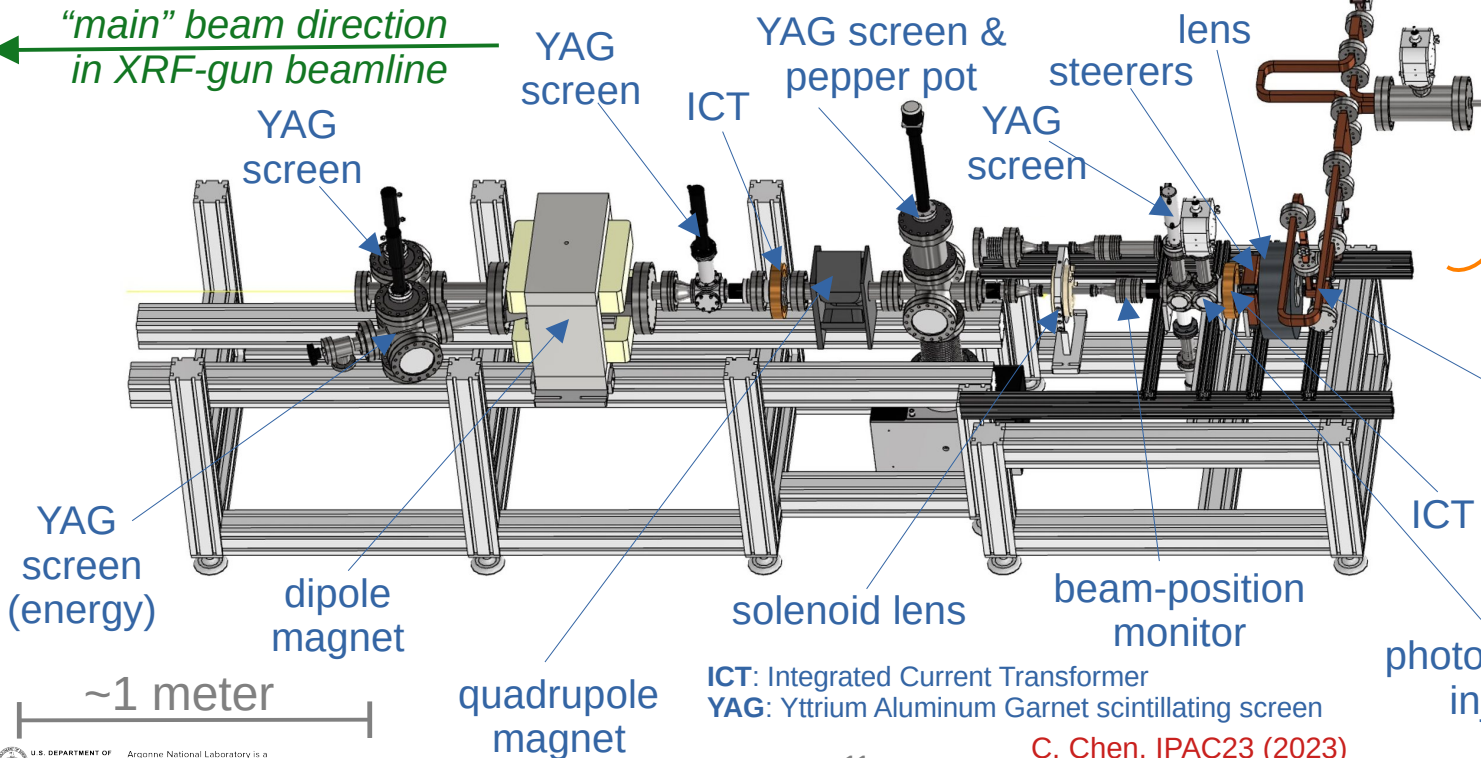
Power Extraction & Transfer Structure (PETS)

“drive” beam AWA linac

X-band RF generation + delay line

XRF gun

photoemission laser injection port



ICT: Integrated Current Transformer  
YAG: Yttrium Aluminum Garnet scintillating screen

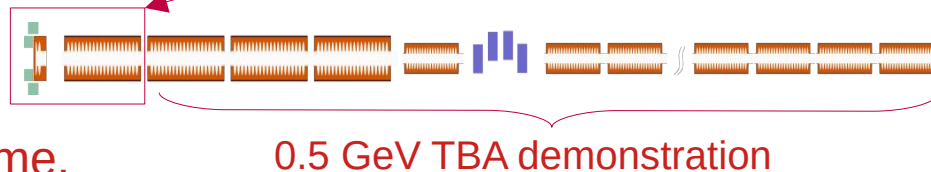
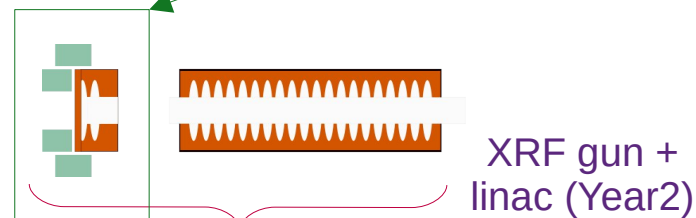
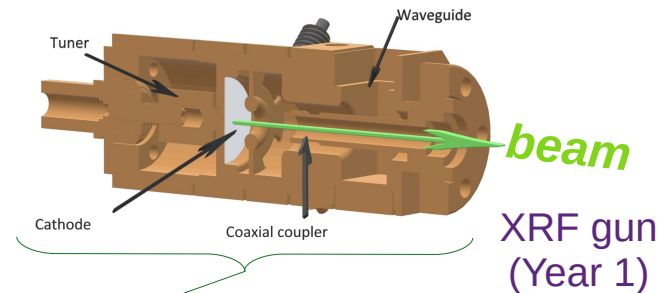
# HIGH-GRADIENT ACCELERATOR

## Pathway to a light source & synergies with HEP accelerator R&D

### Our approach

- Focus on the production of 100-pC 100-nm-emittance bunches.
- Leverage available hardware: X-band RF gun developed by Euclid Techlabs
- Combine with multi-frequency linacs (X and K bands) under development at AWA in support of a compact 0.5-GeV two-beam-accelerator (TBA) demonstration.

Ultimately, the 0.5-GeV TBA could support a full-scale demonstration of a free-electron laser in the E/VUV regime.



# BOOSTER LINAC TESTS

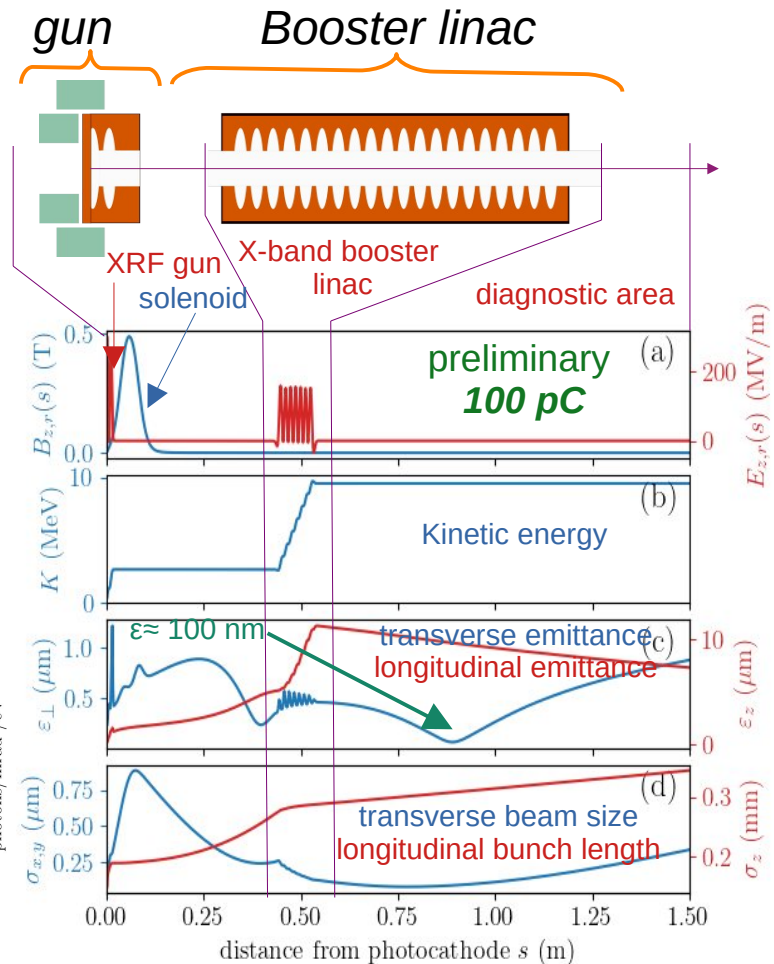
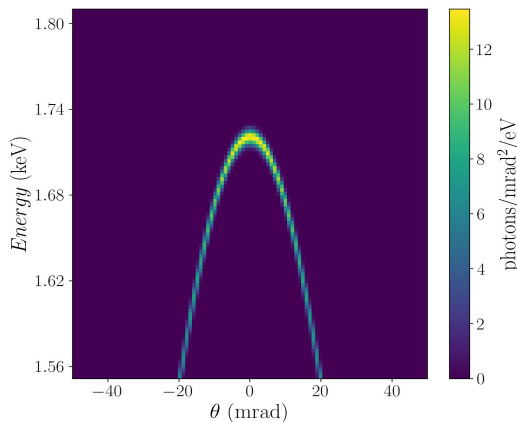
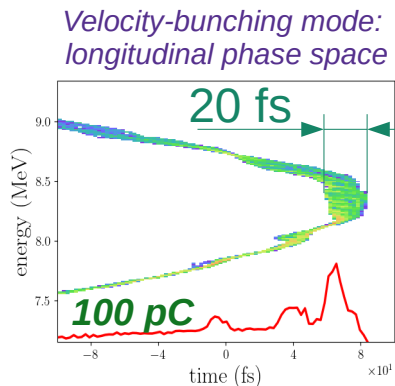
## Acceleration to ~10 MeV

### Overarching goals:

- Accelerate beam from the gun to ~10 MeV.
- Optimize/characterize final beam brightness.
- Explore ultra-short -bunch generation.

### Application:

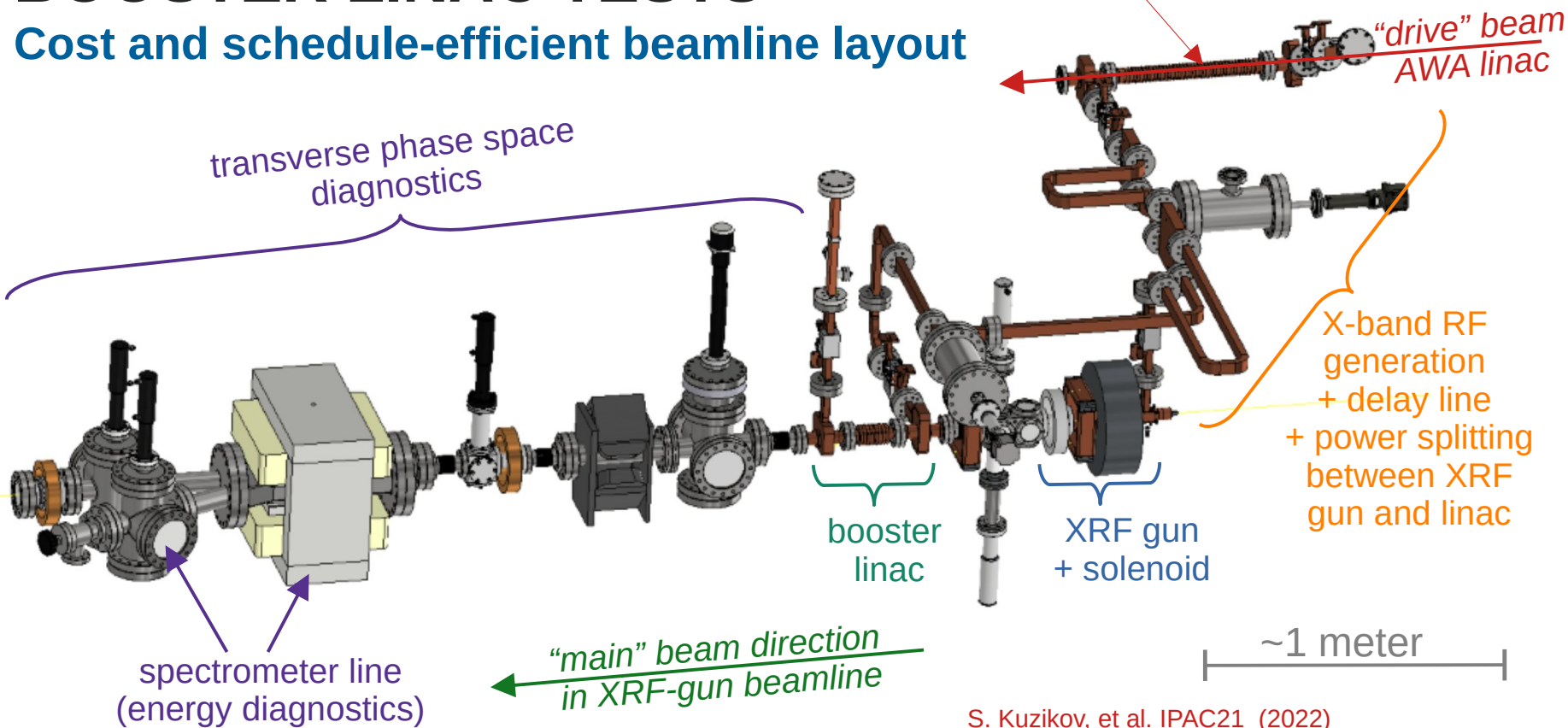
- Explore X-ray (2keV) generation via inverse-Compton Scattering





# BOOSTER LINAC TESTS

## Cost and schedule-efficient beamline layout

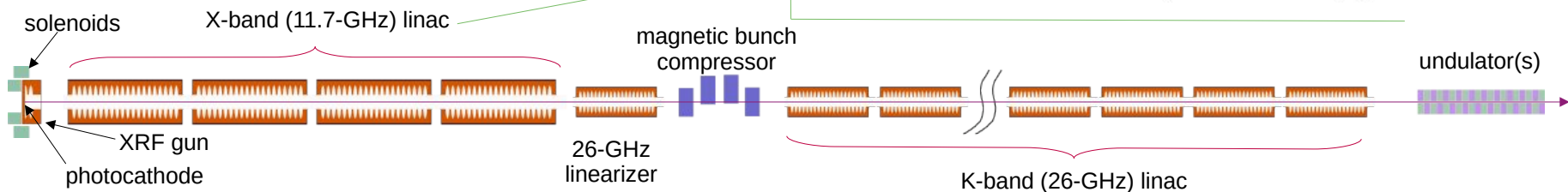
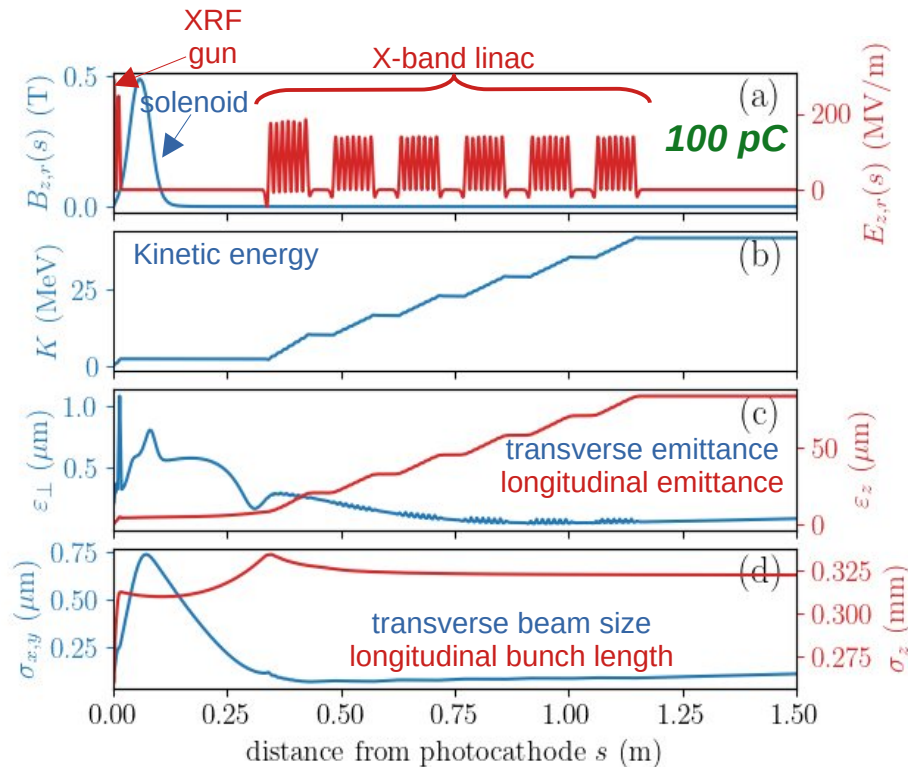


S. Kuzikov, et al. IPAC21 (2022)  
10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-WEPA163

# INTEGRATED INJECTOR

## Emittance compensation

- Preliminary simulations show a beam brightness of  $\mathcal{B} \simeq 3 \times 10^{15} \text{ A/m}^2$ .
- Similar performance to the ultra-compact XFEL proposal (UCLA) or LCLS-II-HE (SLAC) specifications.
- The parameters are compatible with injection in a 26-GHz linac for further acceleration stages.



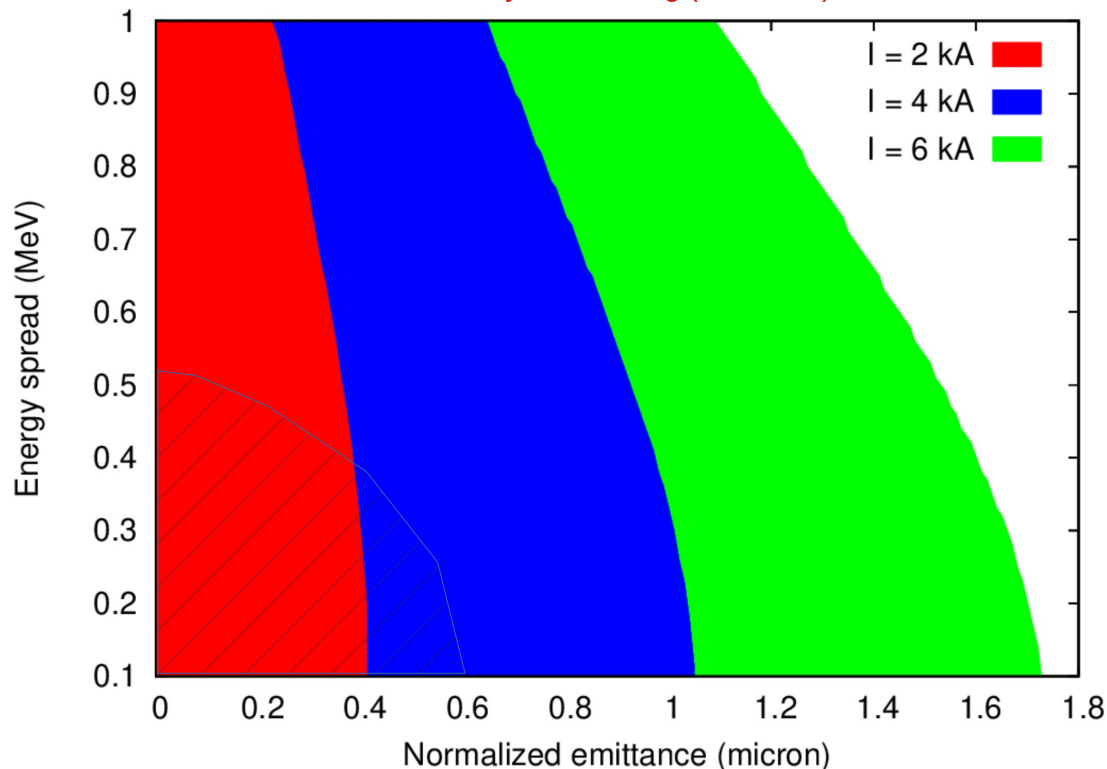


# FEL DRIVEN BY THE TBA CONCEPT

## V/EUV FEL opportunities

- 1D FEL-gain calculations were performed (Ming-Xie formalism)
- Undulator period is 13 mm and length was constrained to 5 m
- Expected e-beam parameters could support lasing at  $\sim 10$  nm
- Other possible concepts include a TBA-driven RF undulator (at 26 GHz).

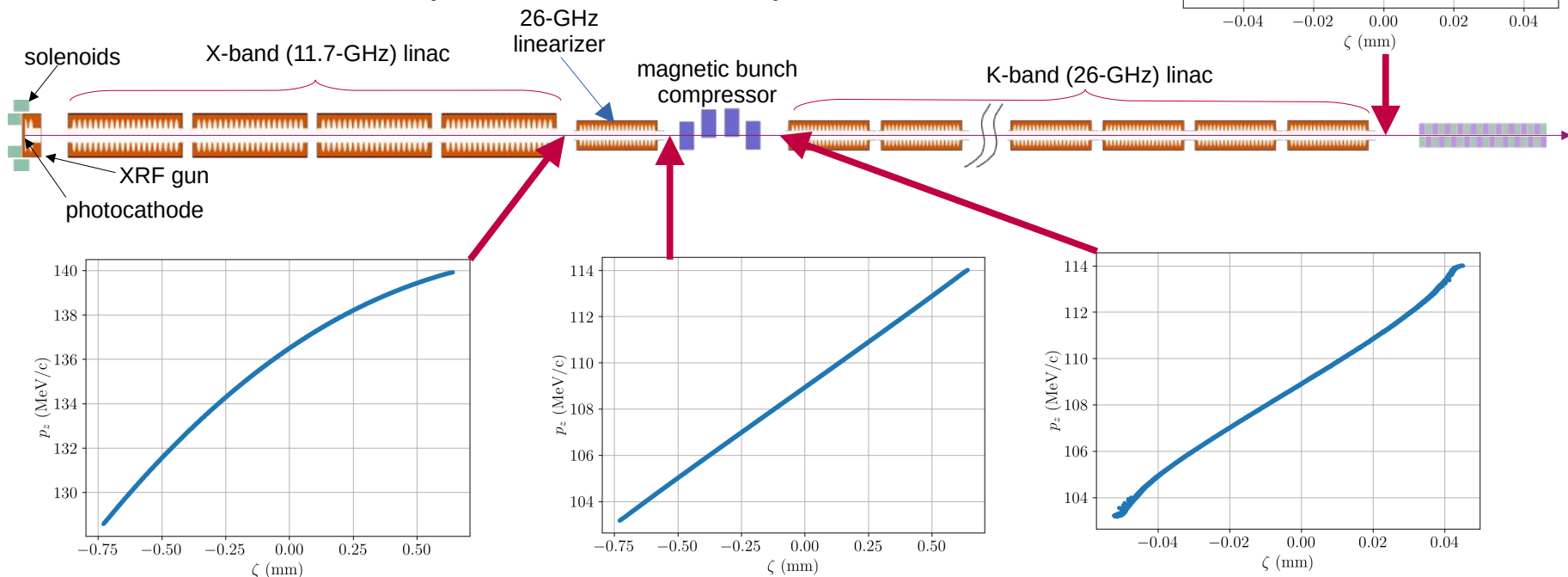
Calculations by R. Lindberg (ANL/APS)



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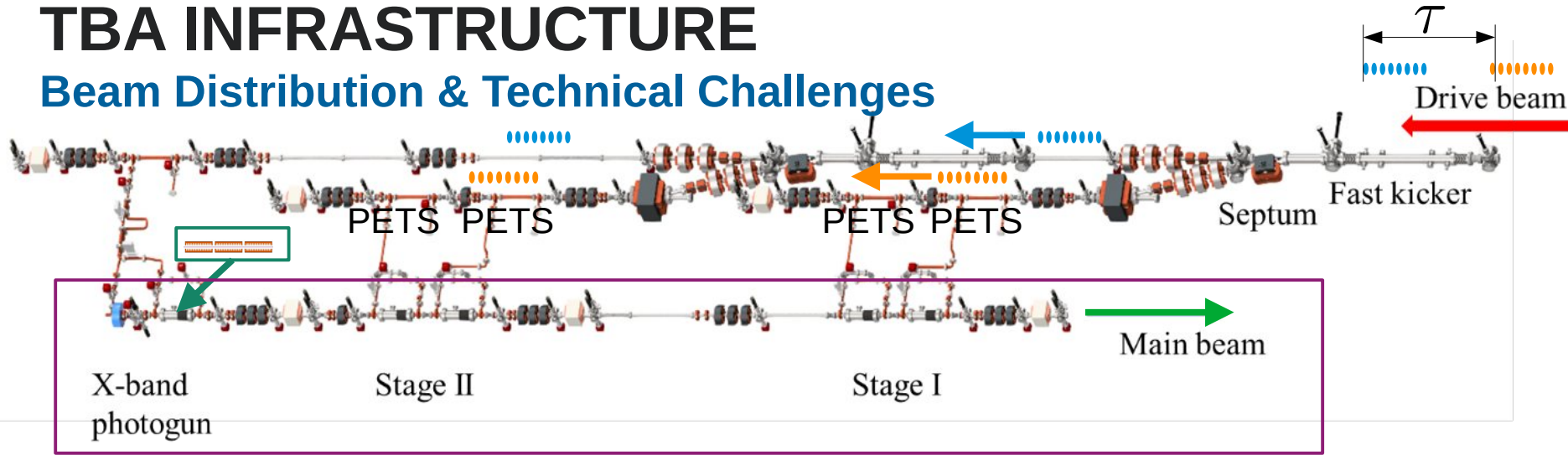
## Longitudinal dynamics

- Longitudinal-phase-space dynamics preliminary model with a 1D-1V model (no collective effect)



# TBA INFRASTRUCTURE

## Beam Distribution & Technical Challenges



- Drive beamline distributes two 8-bunch trains into two-parallel lines
  - Demonstrated 2x8 bunches production with variable delay
  - Challenges: transport and distribution of high-charge drive beams, enhancing deceleration in PETS (multiple PETS)
- Production of 500-MeV main beam based on “conventional” design

# SUMMARY

- Over the last 2 years significant progress has been made on operating RF structure with surface field close to GV/m
- Short (< 10-ns) RF-pulses naturally produced in two-beam accelerators (TBA) are critical to GW peak-power generation at X-band frequencies
- **An X-band RF photoemission electron source powered by short pulses was recently commissioned at AWA. It demonstrated (i) 400 MV/m on photocathode, (ii) did not produce observable dark current and (iii) had no significant breakdown.**
- We are now adapting the design of a proposed 500-MeV SWFA-module (linear collider) to leverage the bright e- beam from the gun and support an FEL
- Such an option will give confidence in TBA application to real-world accelerators + **provide an option for a post APS-U light-source at Argonne.**

