

Demonstration of fresh slice self-seeding in a hard X-ray free electron laser

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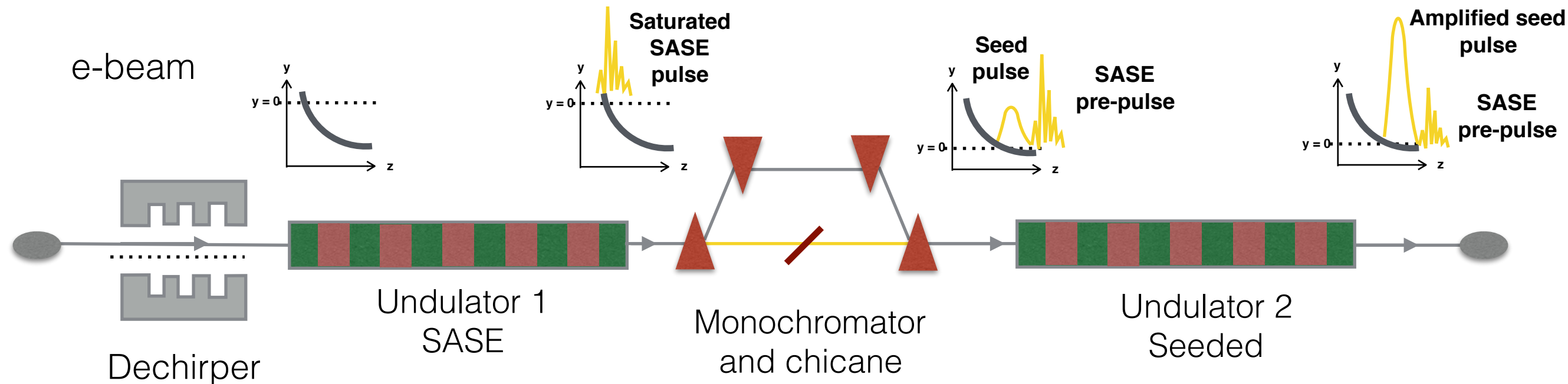
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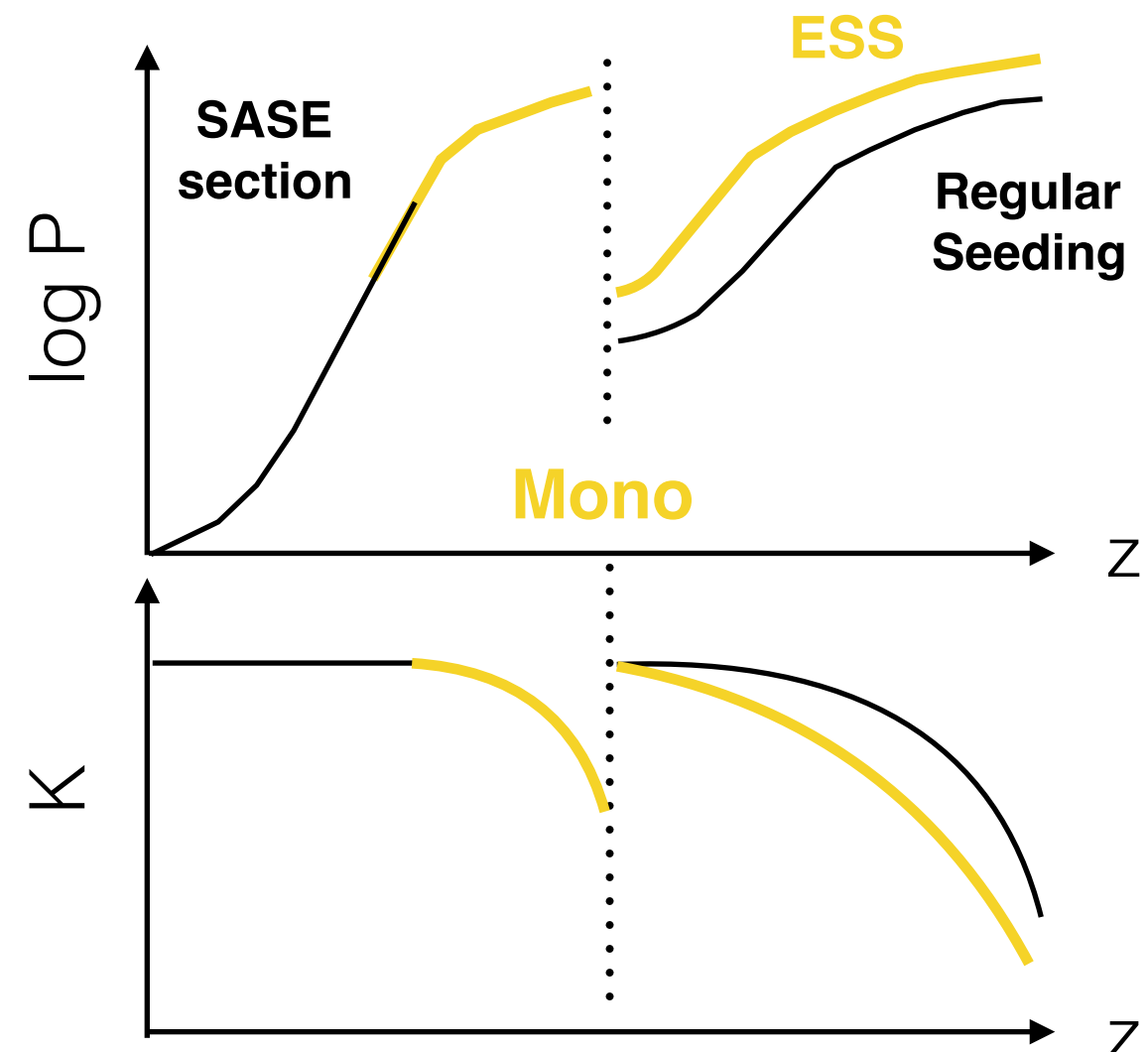
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Enhanced Self-Seeding (ESS)

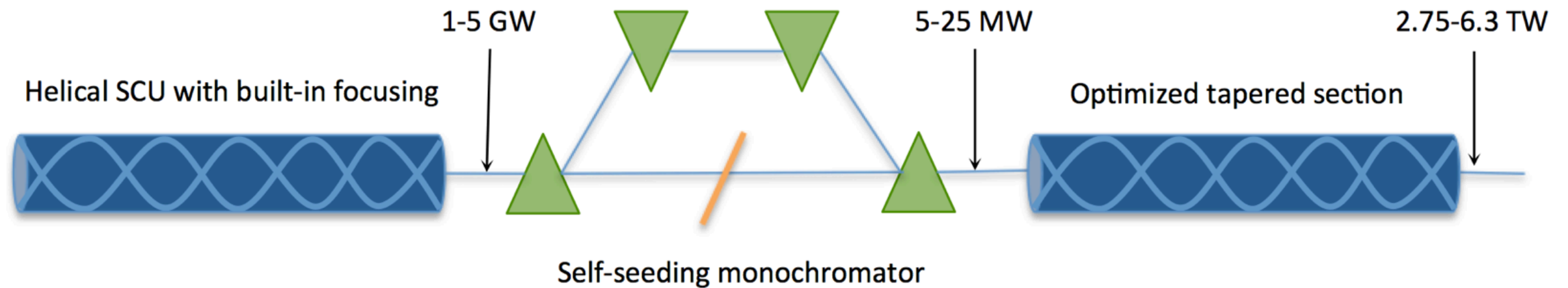


Motivation

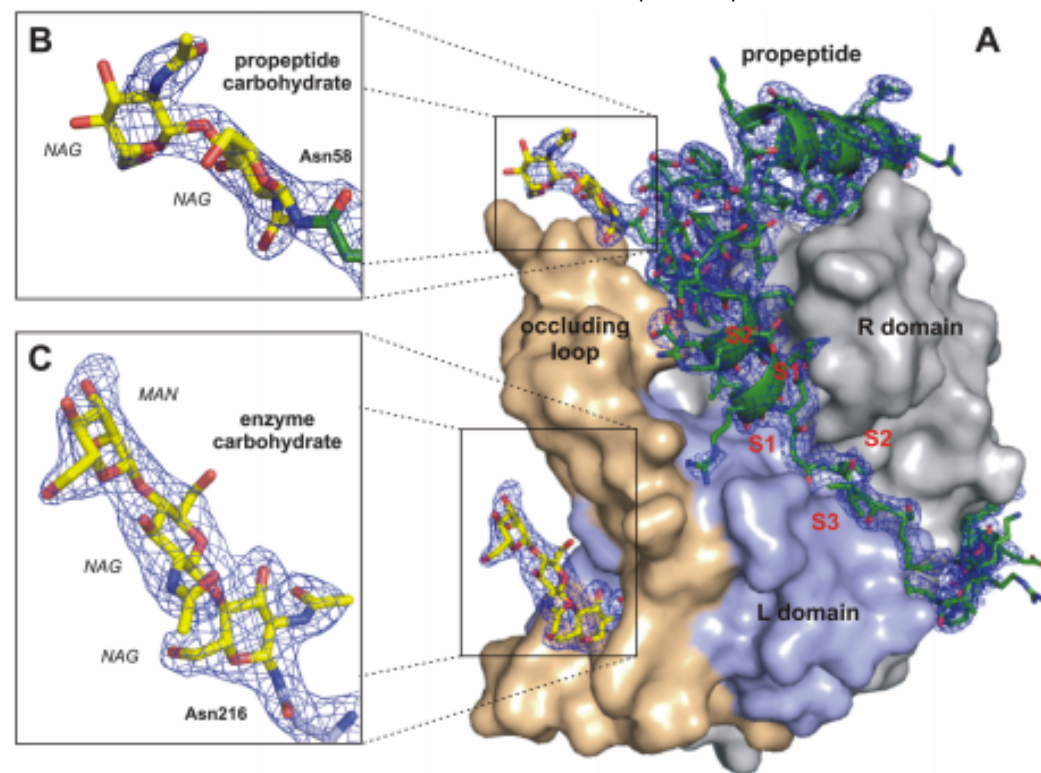
- ❖ ESS is a method to increase the brightness and efficiency of XFELs
- ❖ Performance of self seeded XFELs is limited by the trade off between seed power and electron slice energy spread. Seeding with fresh electrons eliminates trade-off
- ❖ Large seed power increases taper efficiency downstream of the monochromator
- ❖ ESS generates short (sub 10 fs) high intensity, high brightness X-ray pulses
- ❖ Useful for experiments needing short seeded pulses with high peak intensity



Pushing the imaging frontier: ESS for TW-XFEL with a superconducting undulator



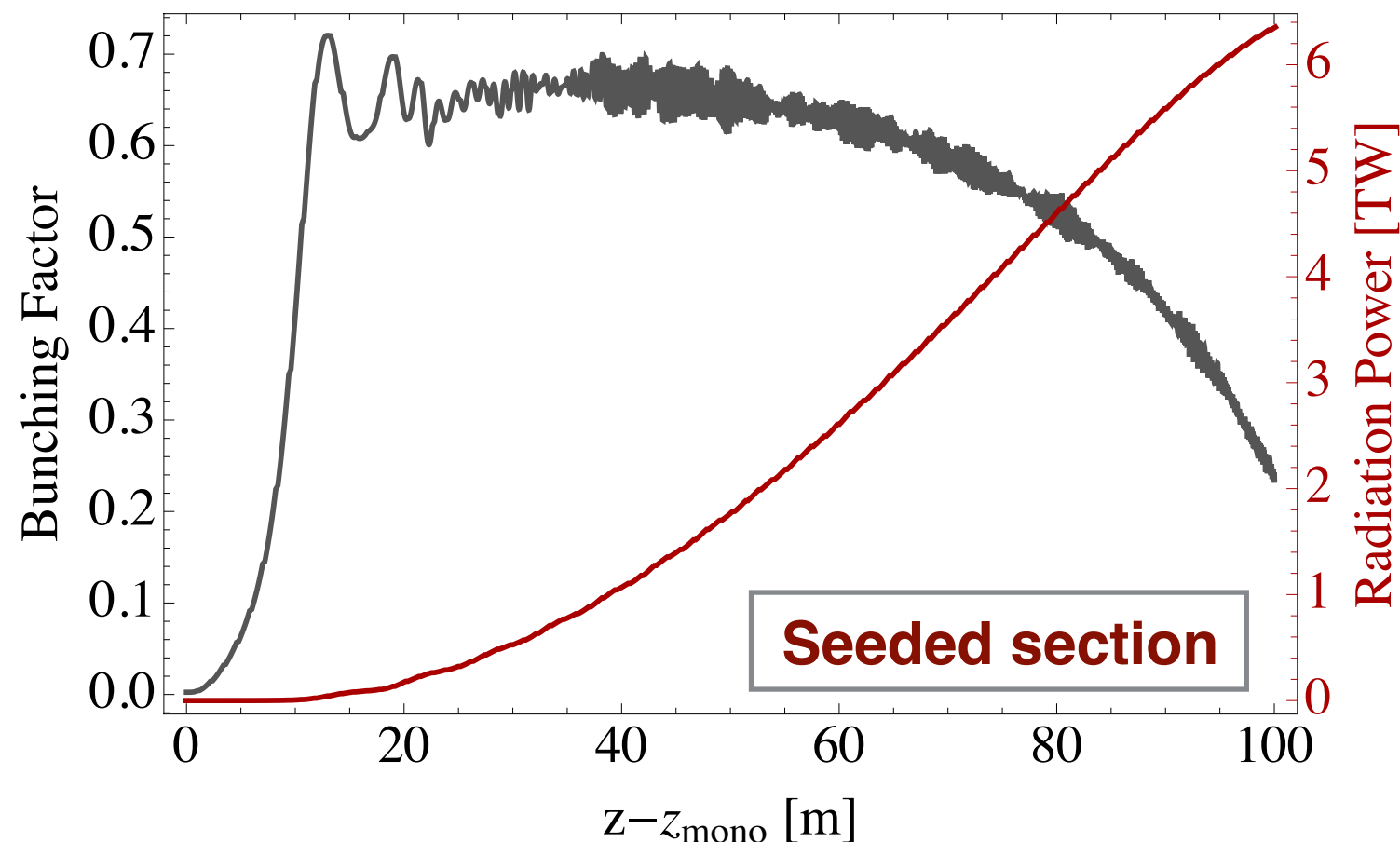
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2.1 Å resolution

Trypanosoma brucei cysteine protease cathepsin B

Single Molecule Imaging Goal
10 fs - 10 mJ - 2020



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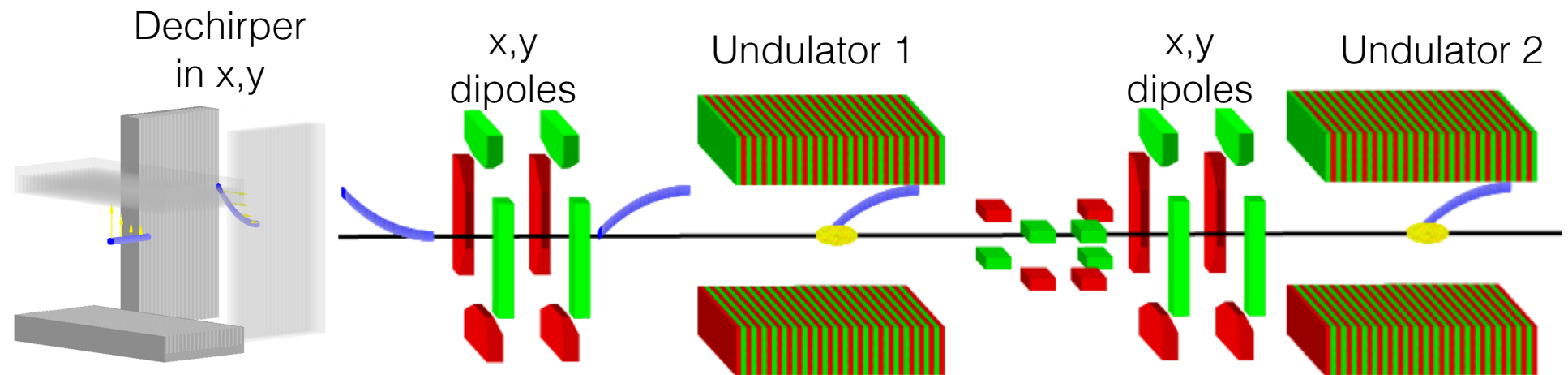
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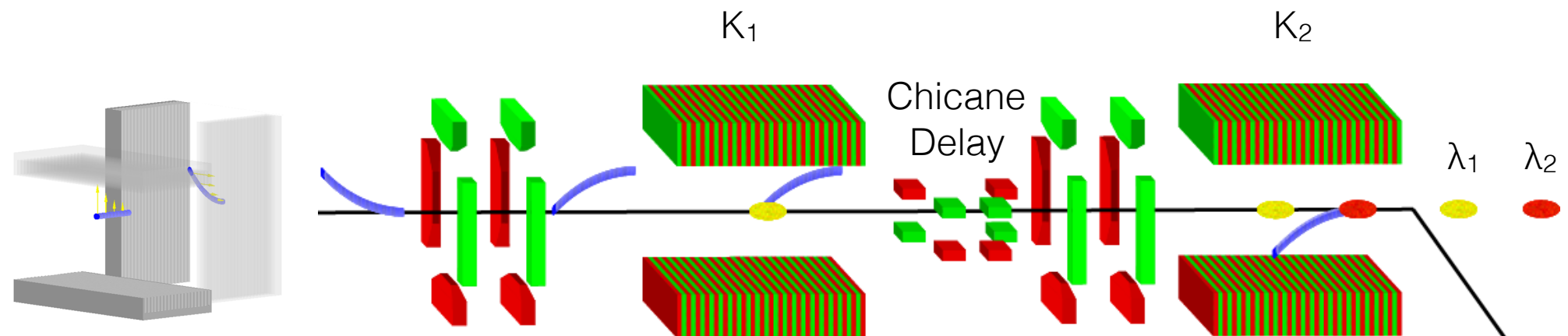
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1) Fresh slice SASE for control of pulse duration



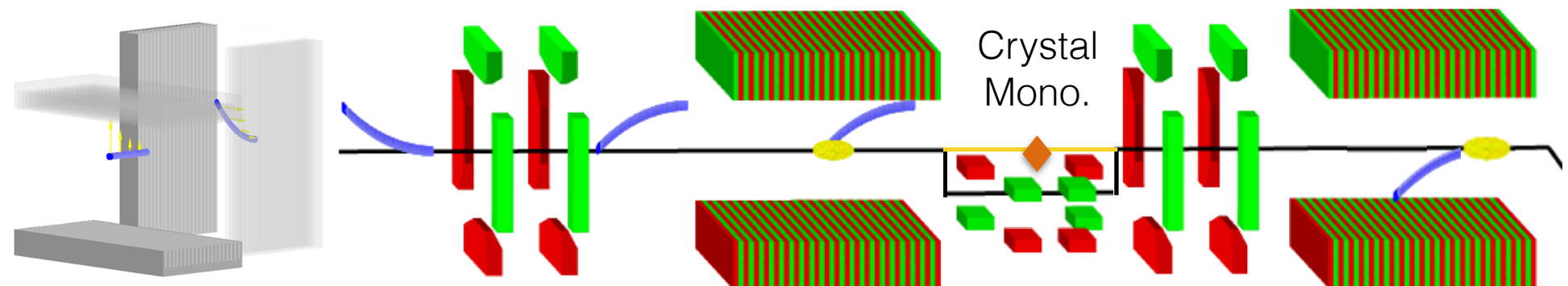
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2) Two-color fresh slice SASE with polarization control



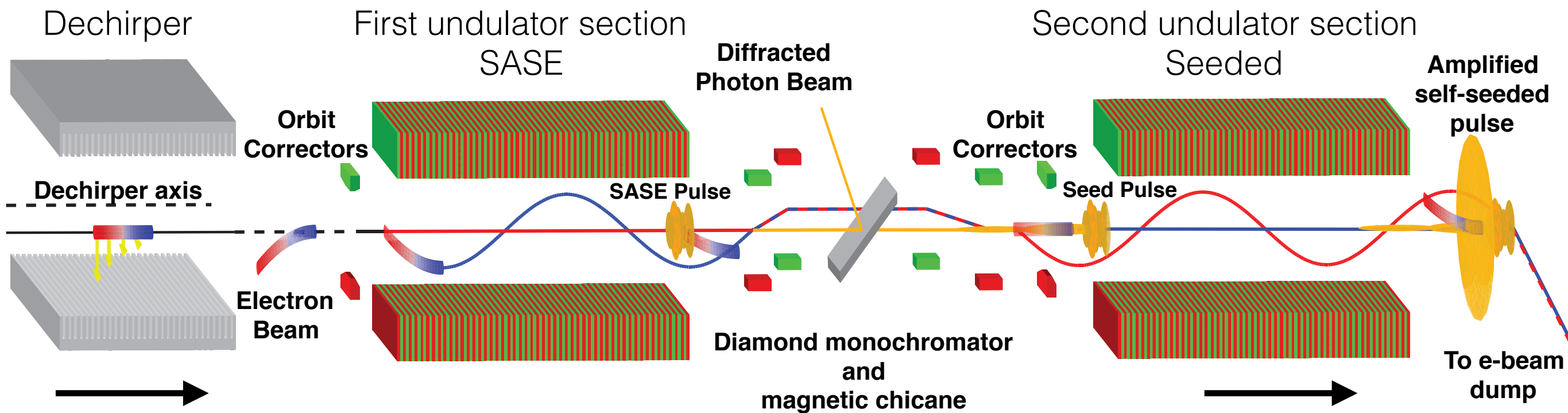
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3) Enhanced self-seeding for high intensity short seeded pulses



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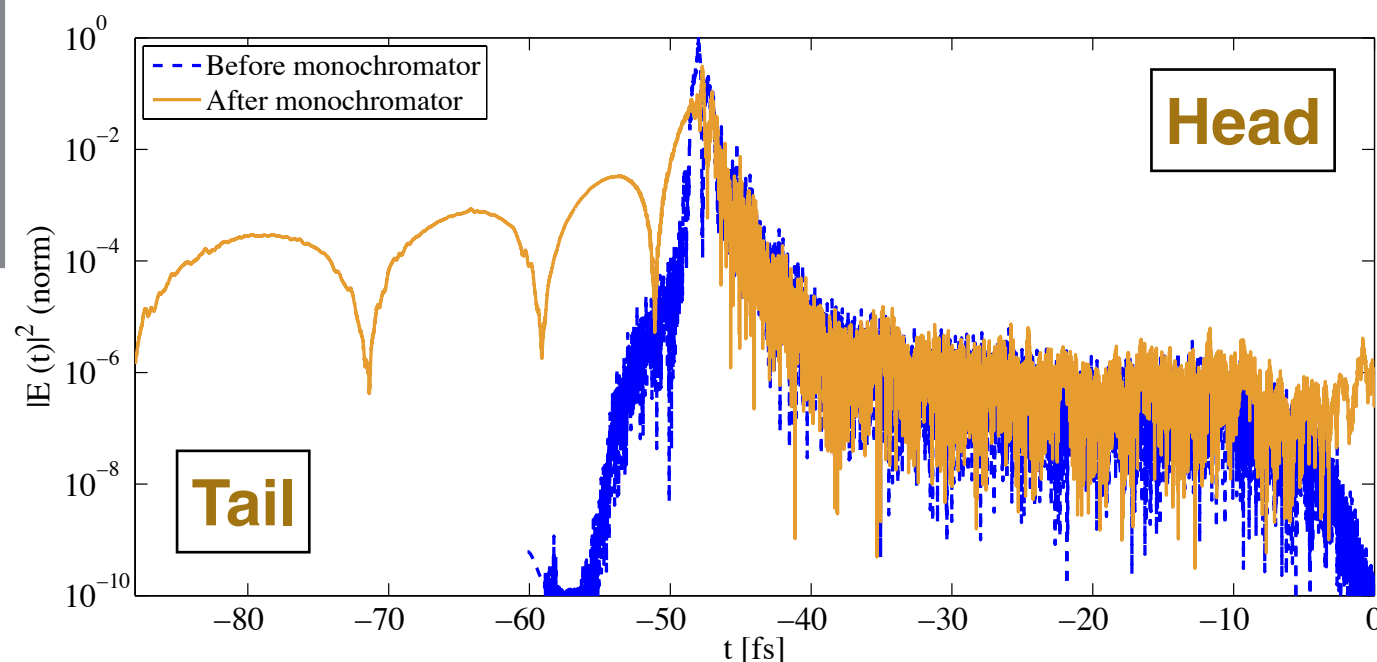
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$$E_{\text{photon}} = 5.5 \text{ keV}$$

E-beam

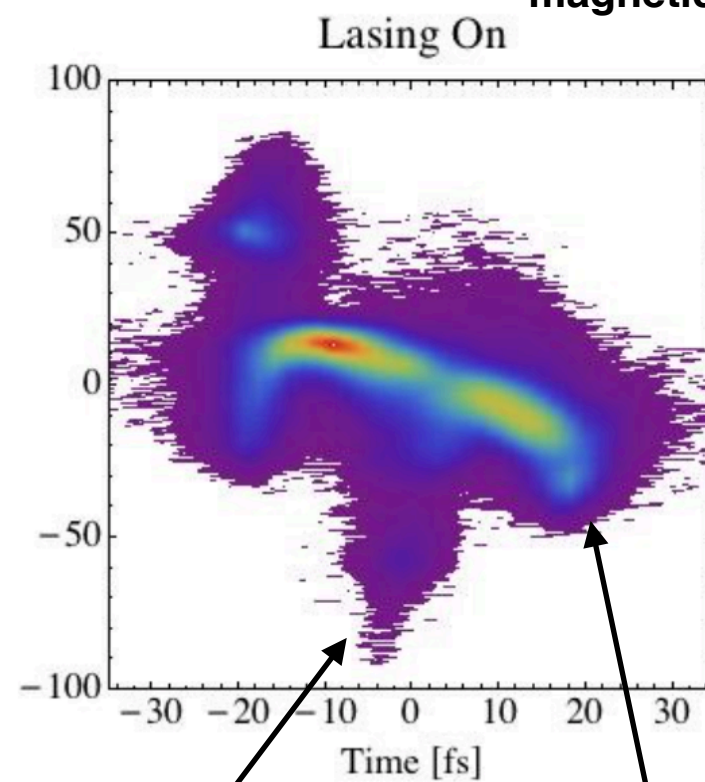
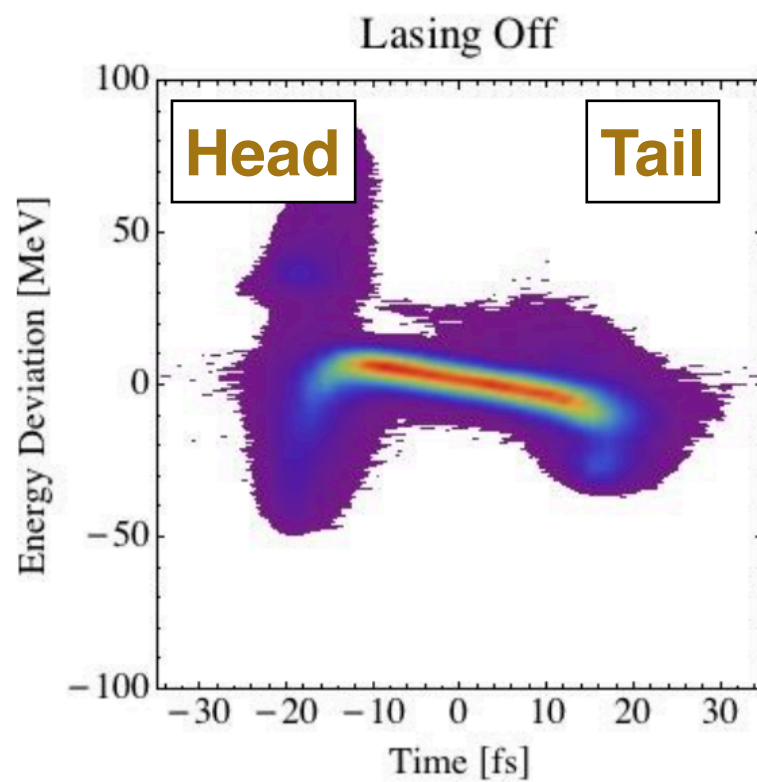
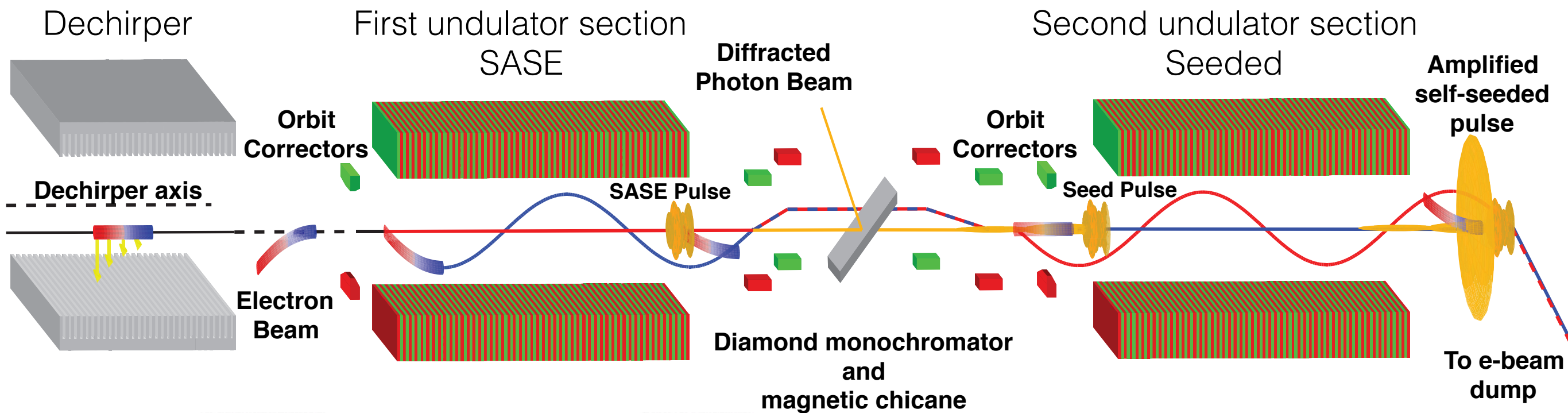
$I_{\text{pk}} = 4 \text{ kA}$
 $E = 11 \text{ GeV}$
 $Q = 180 \text{ pC}$



Diagnostics

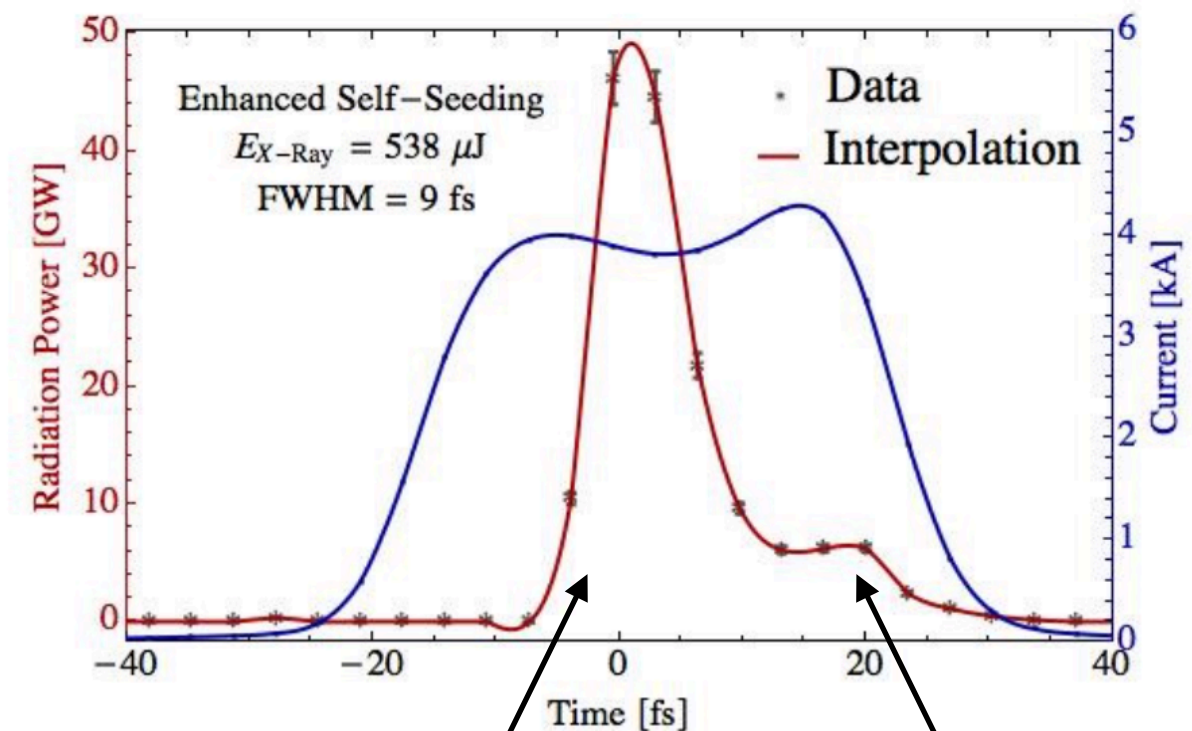
- 1) **Transverse deflecting cavity**
Electron beam energy loss
(time resolved)
- 2) **Gas detector**
X-ray intensity
- 3) **X-ray spectrometer**

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Seeded core

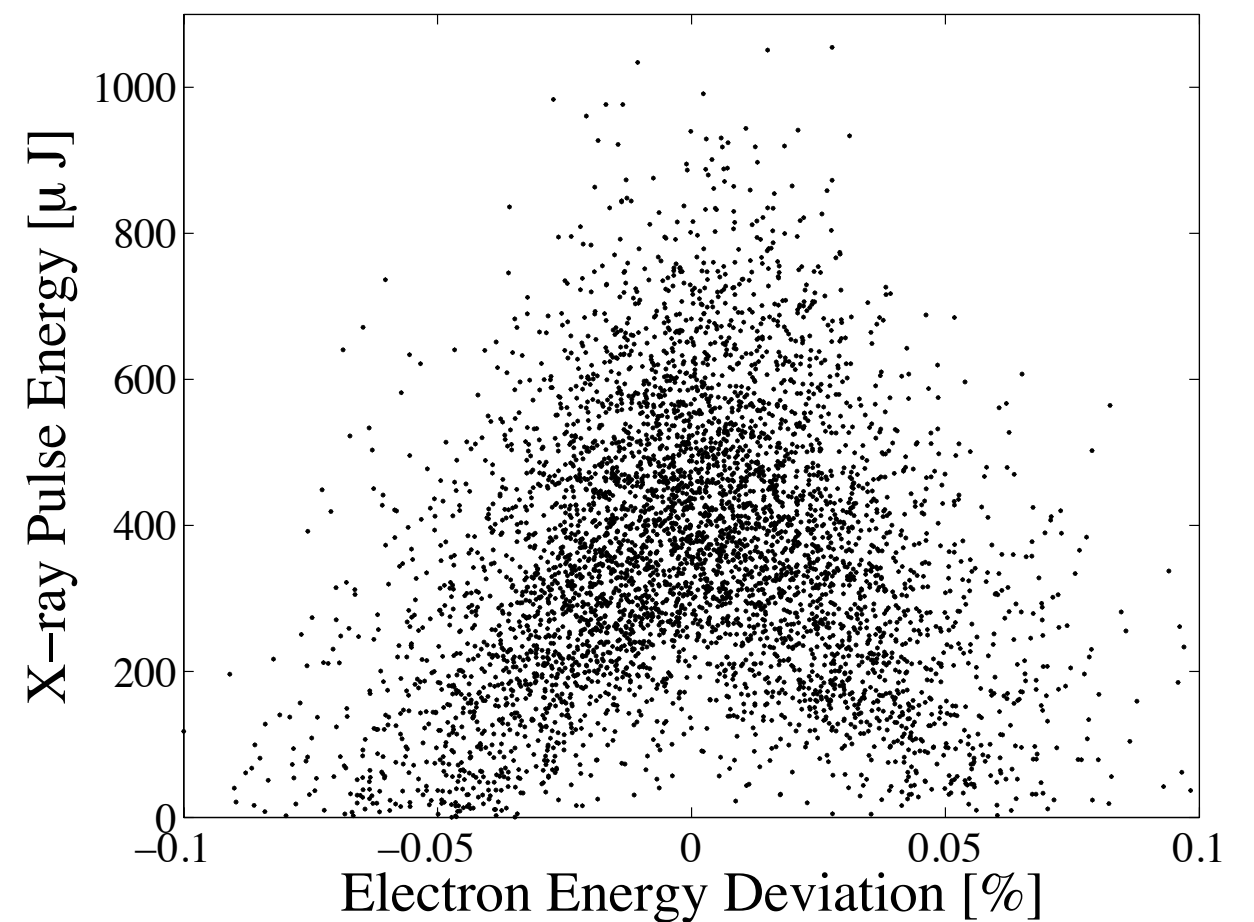
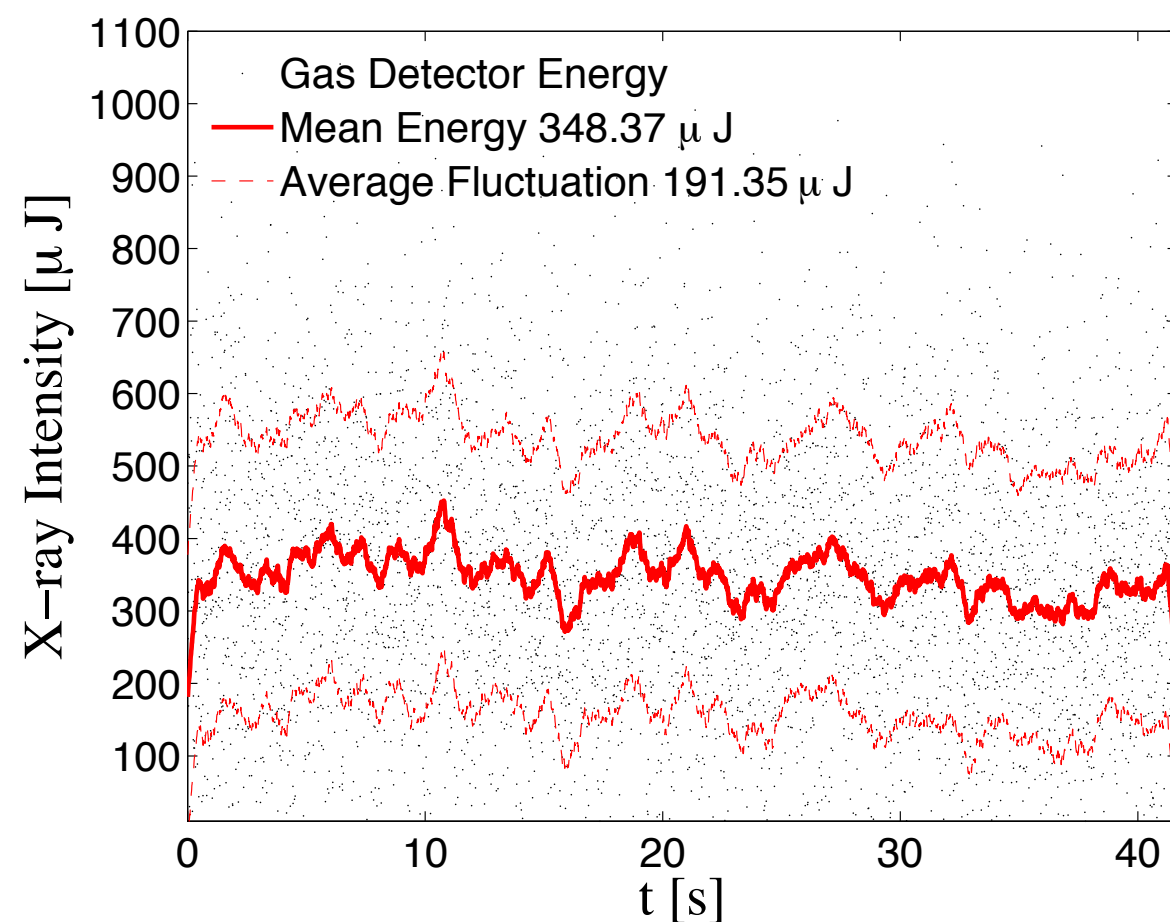
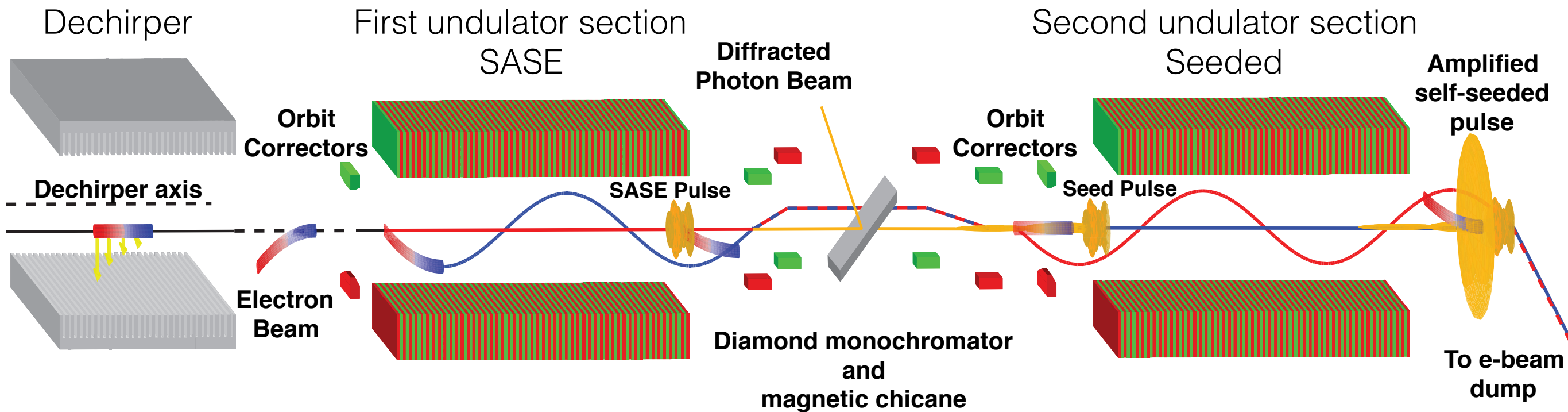
SASE lasing slice



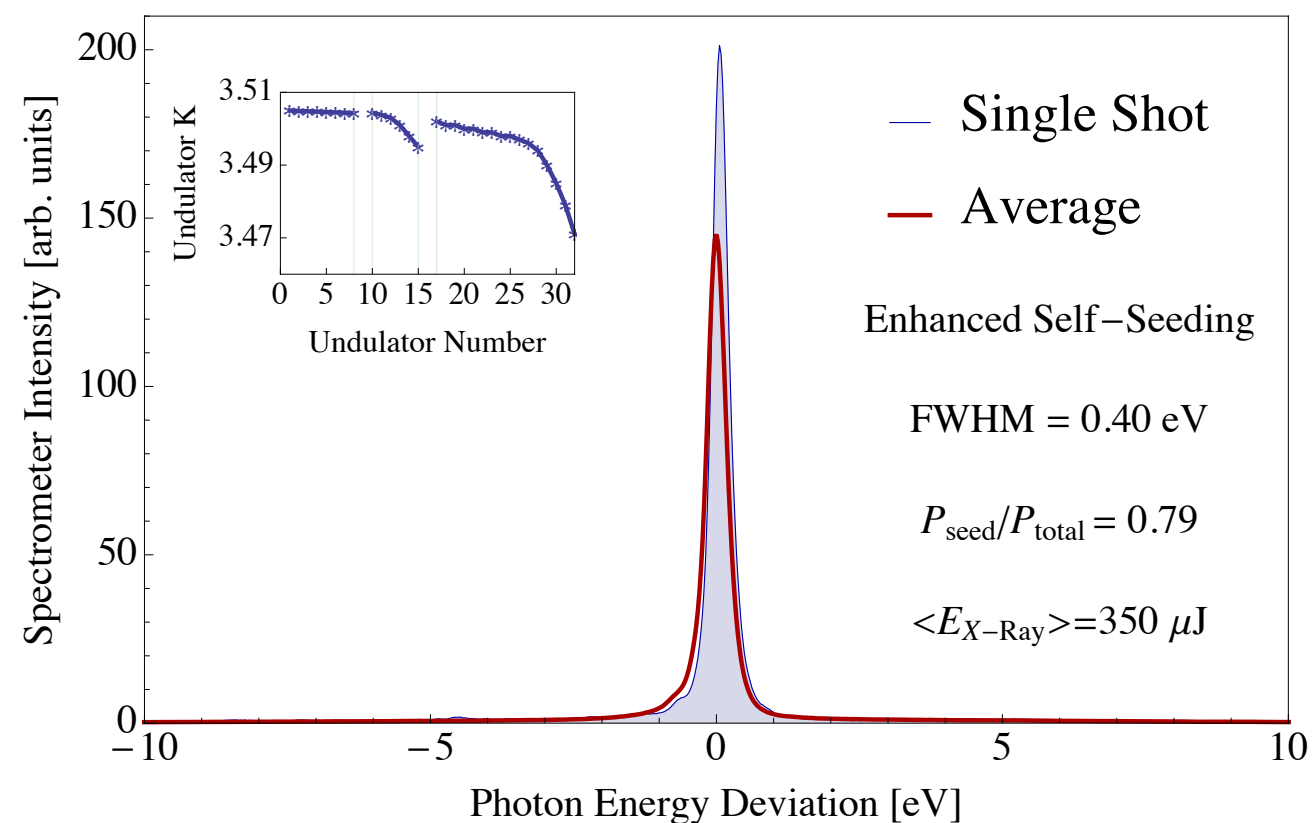
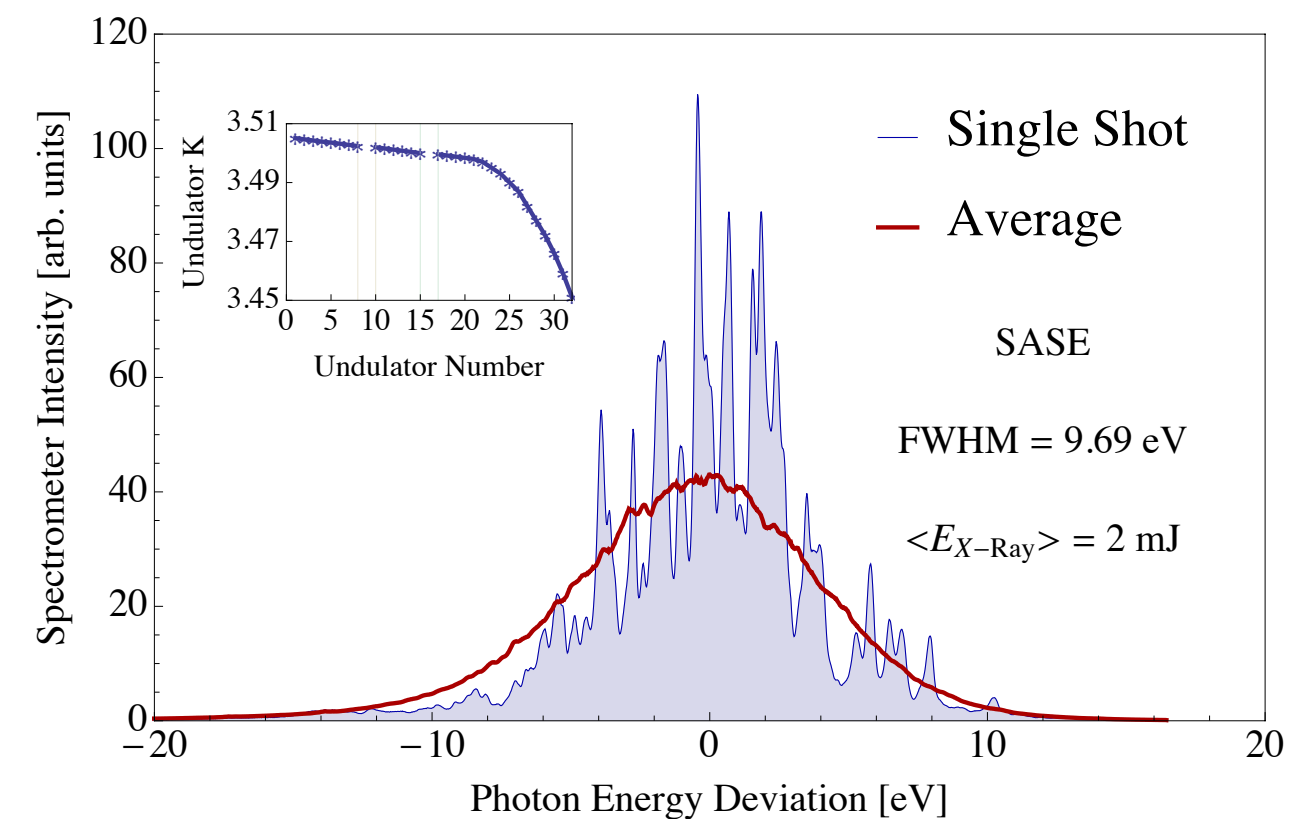
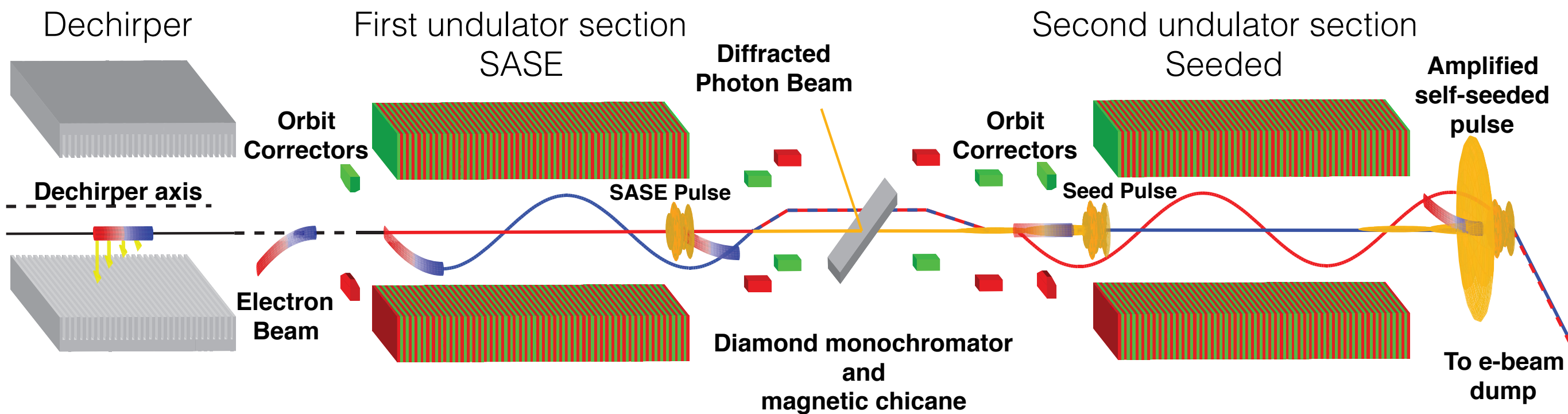
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ESS proof of principle: statistical properties

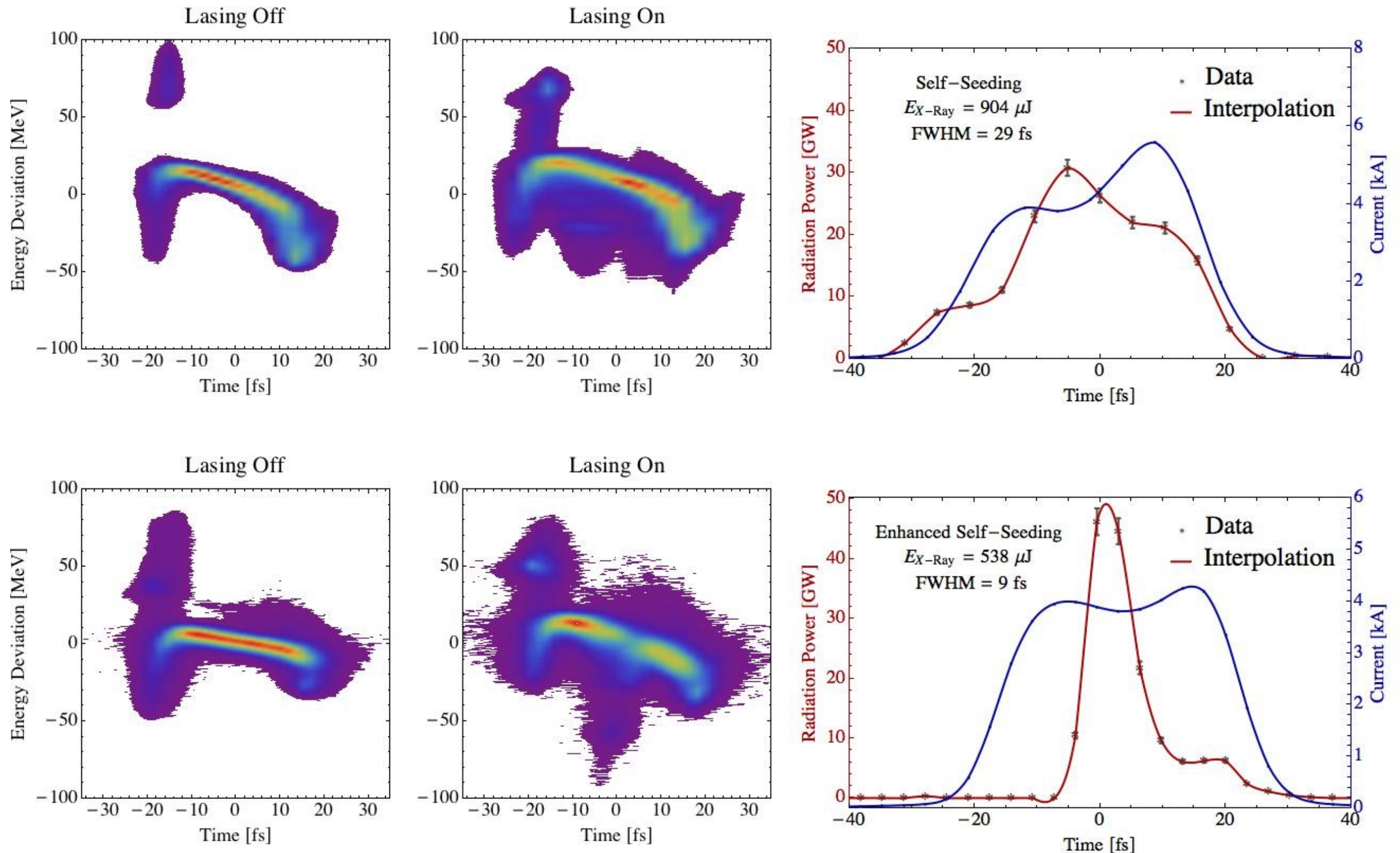


ESS proof of principle: comparison with SASE



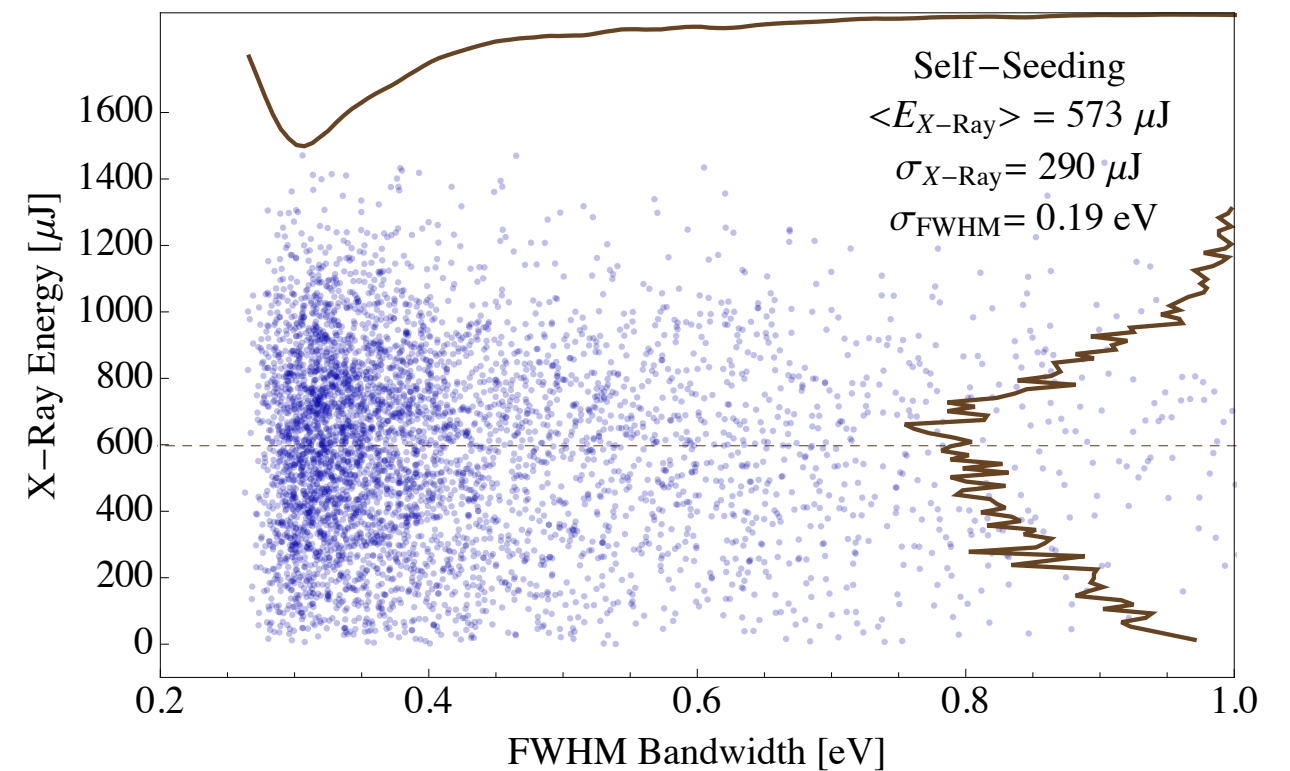
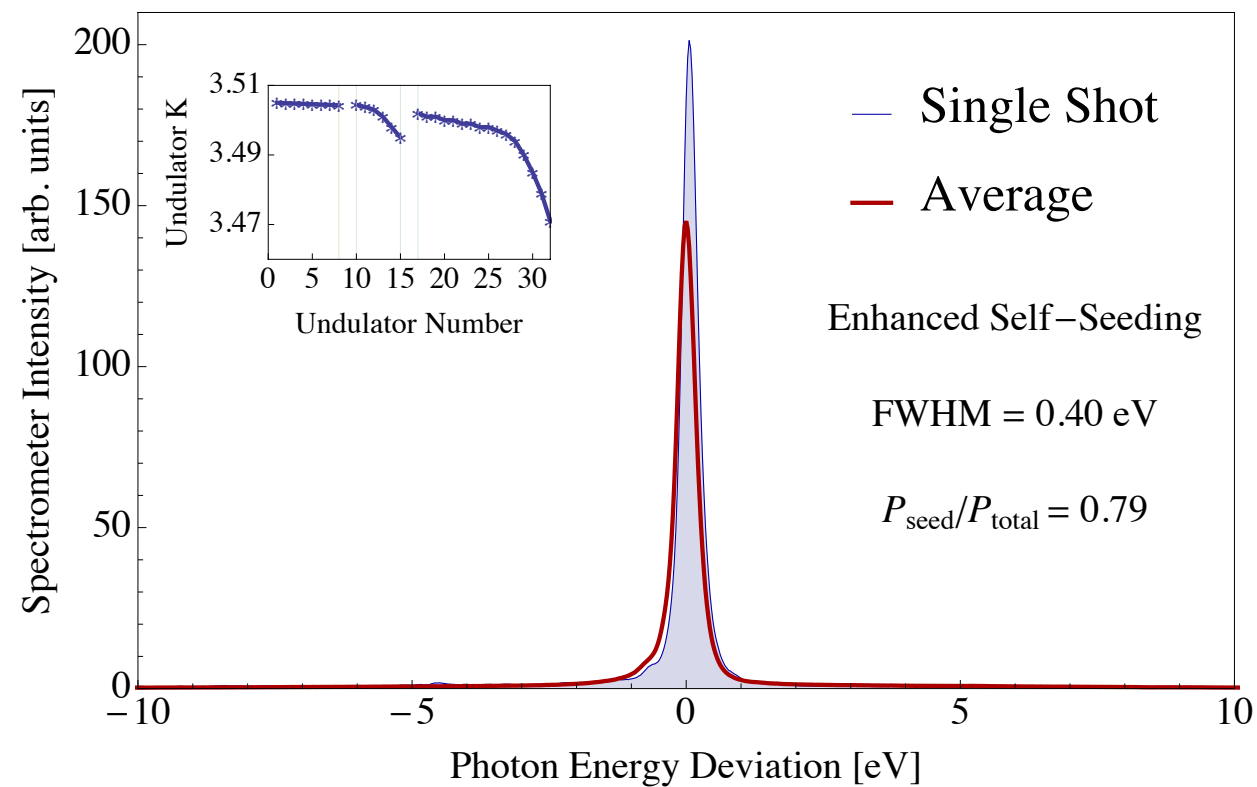
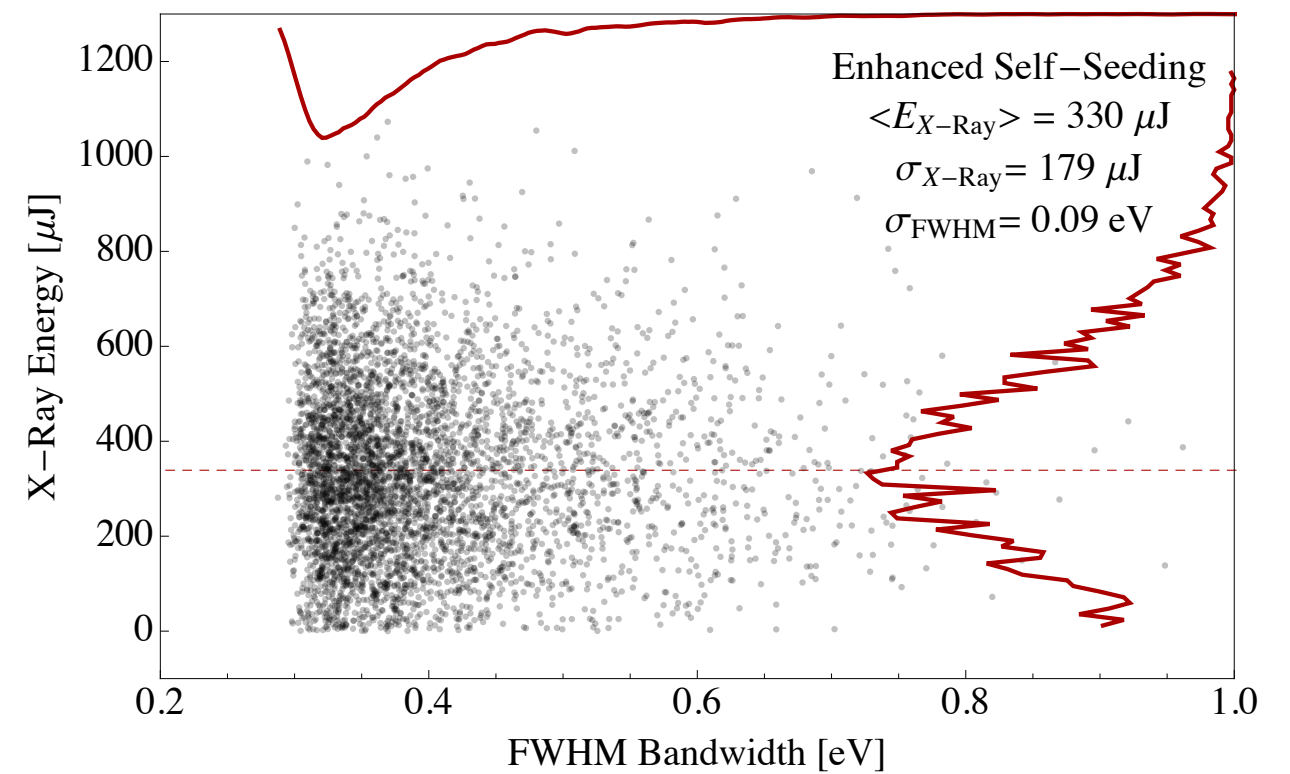
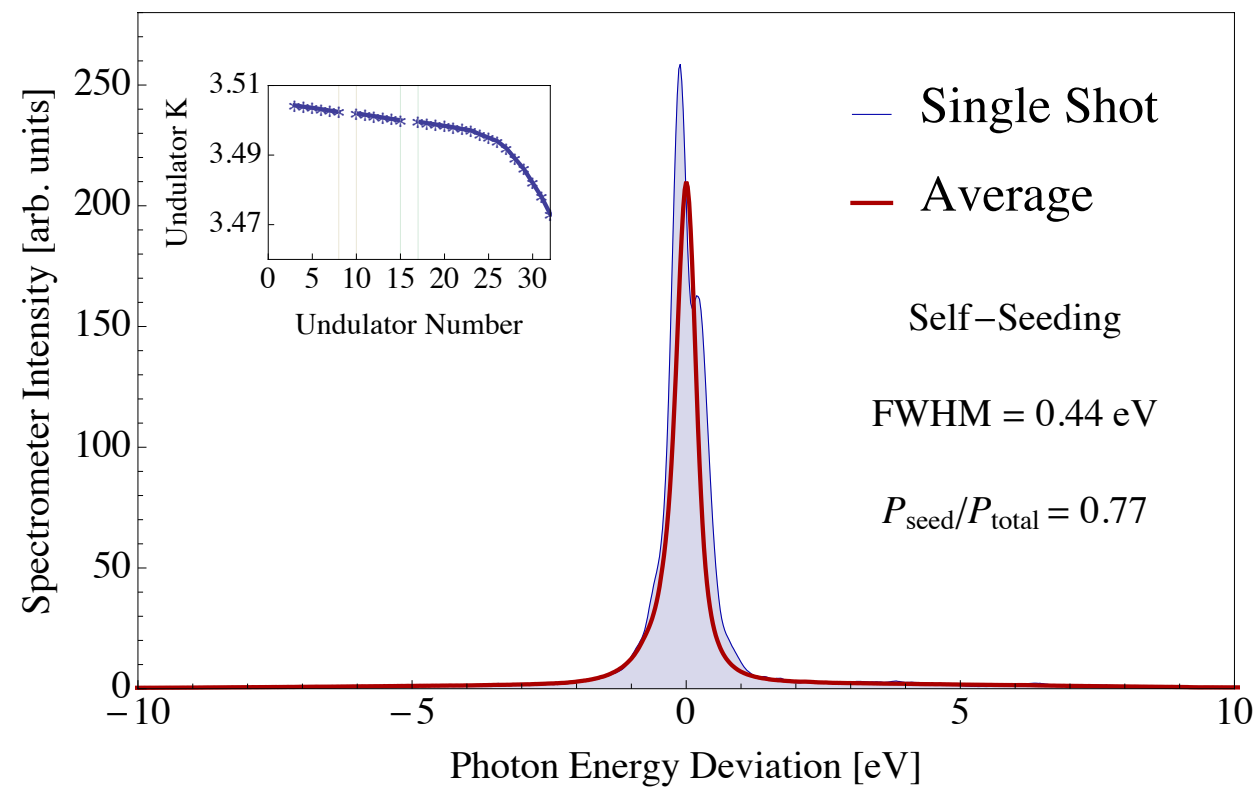
~12* increase in X-ray beam brightness compared to SASE

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ESS generates ~4* shorter pulses with higher peak power

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~2* increase in X-ray beam brightness compared to self-seeding

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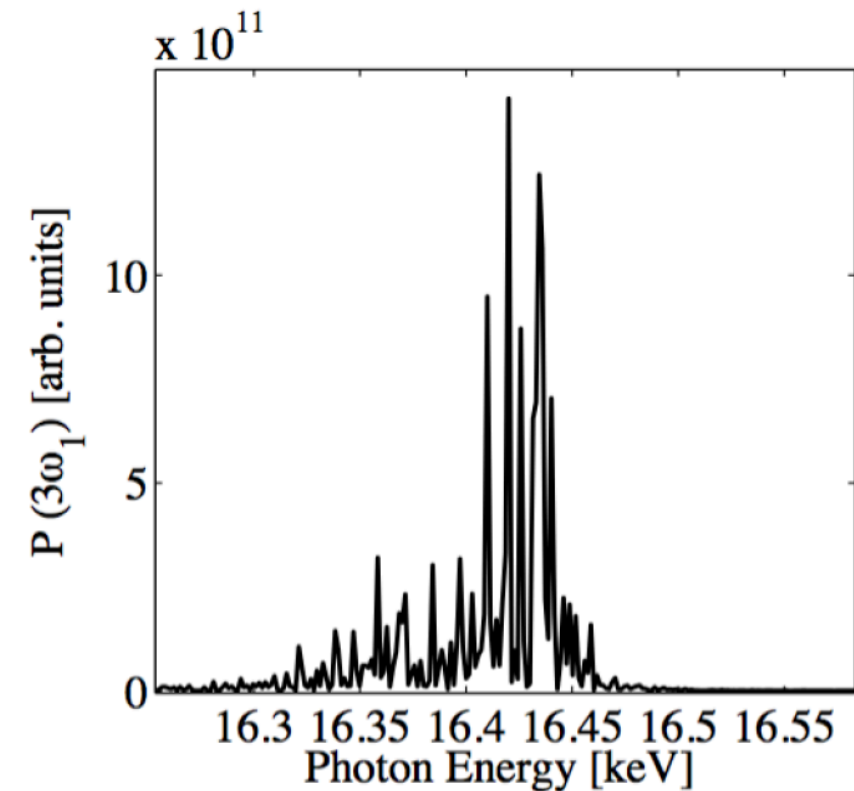
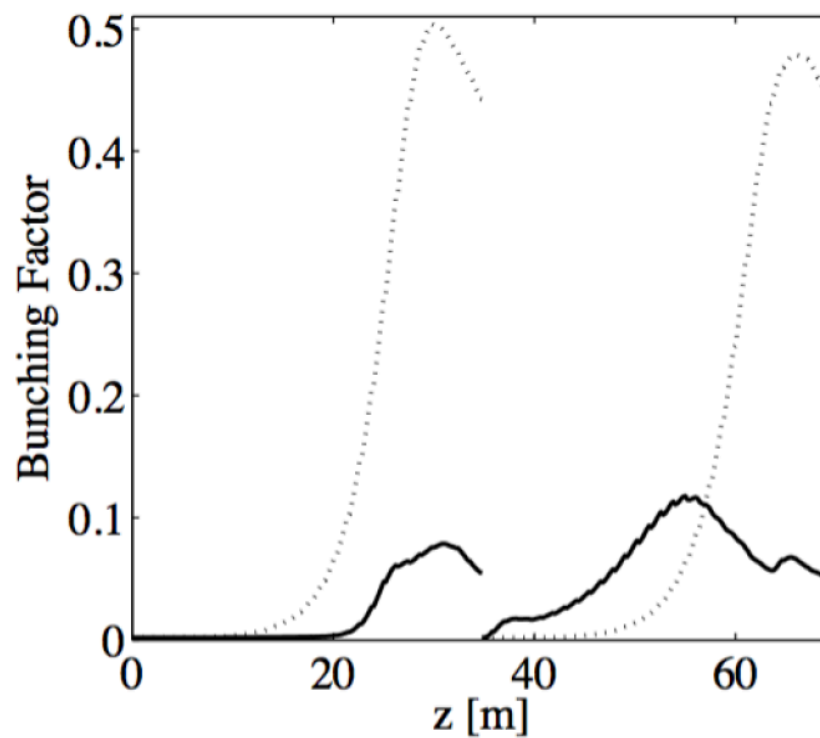
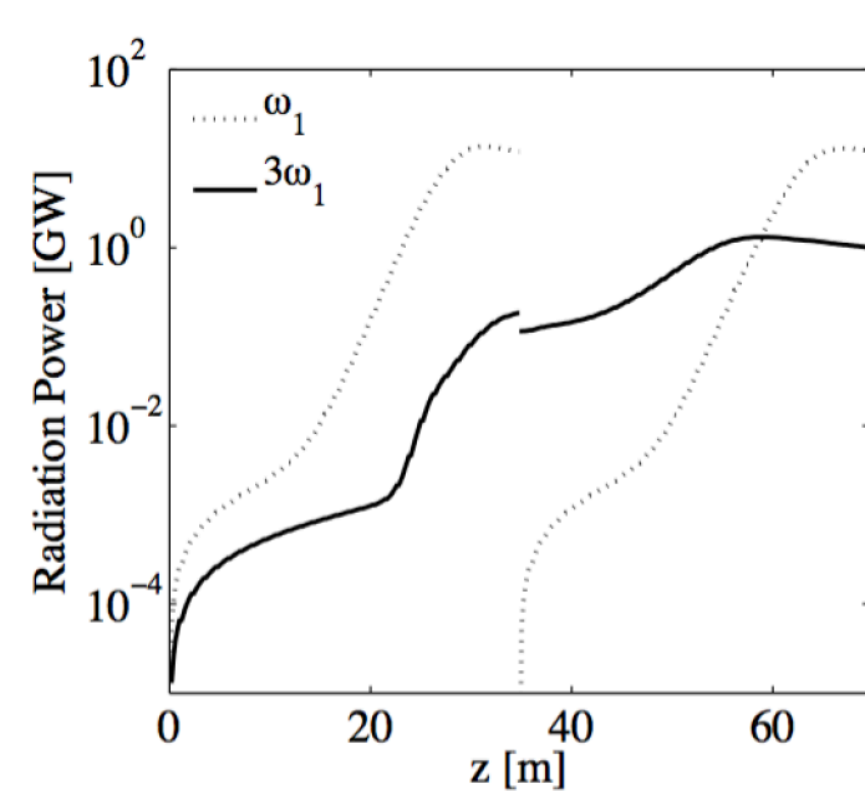
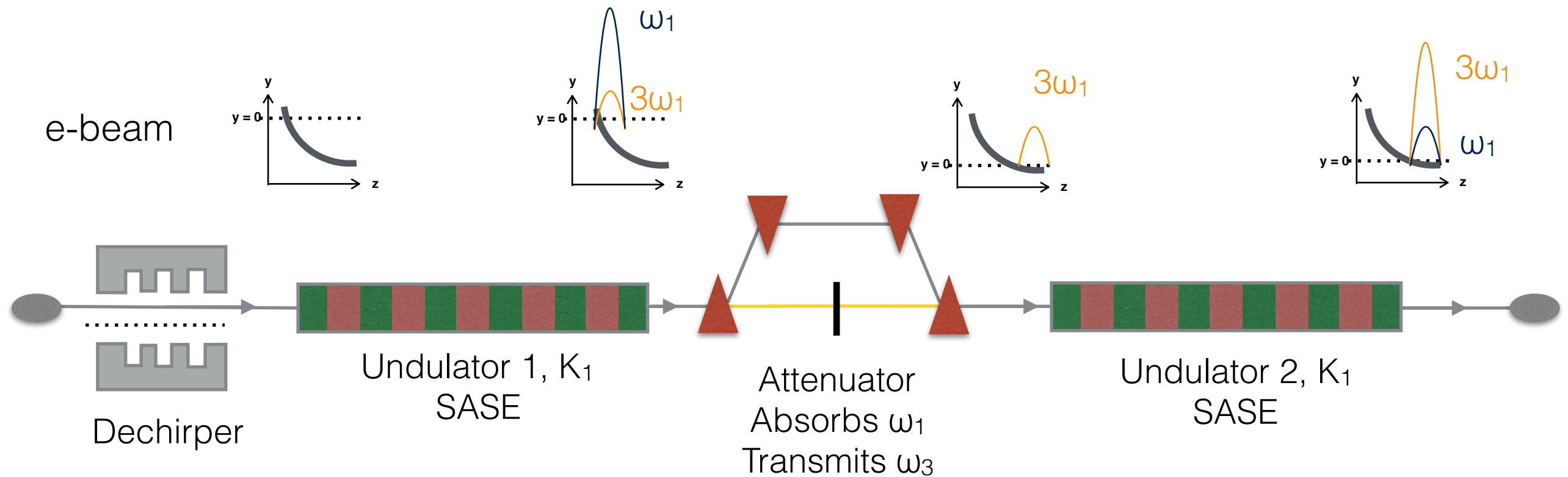
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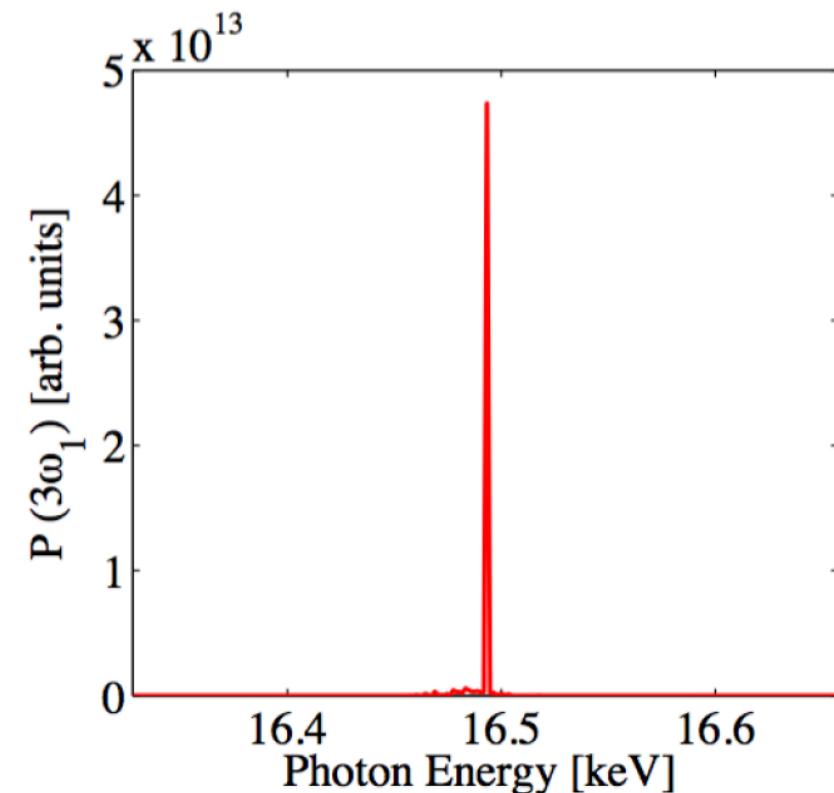
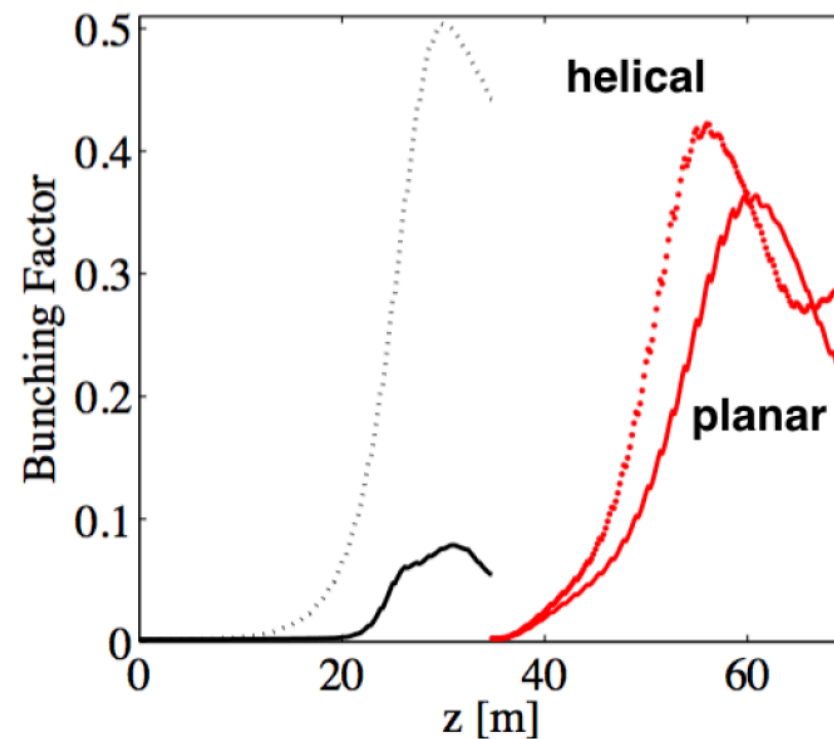
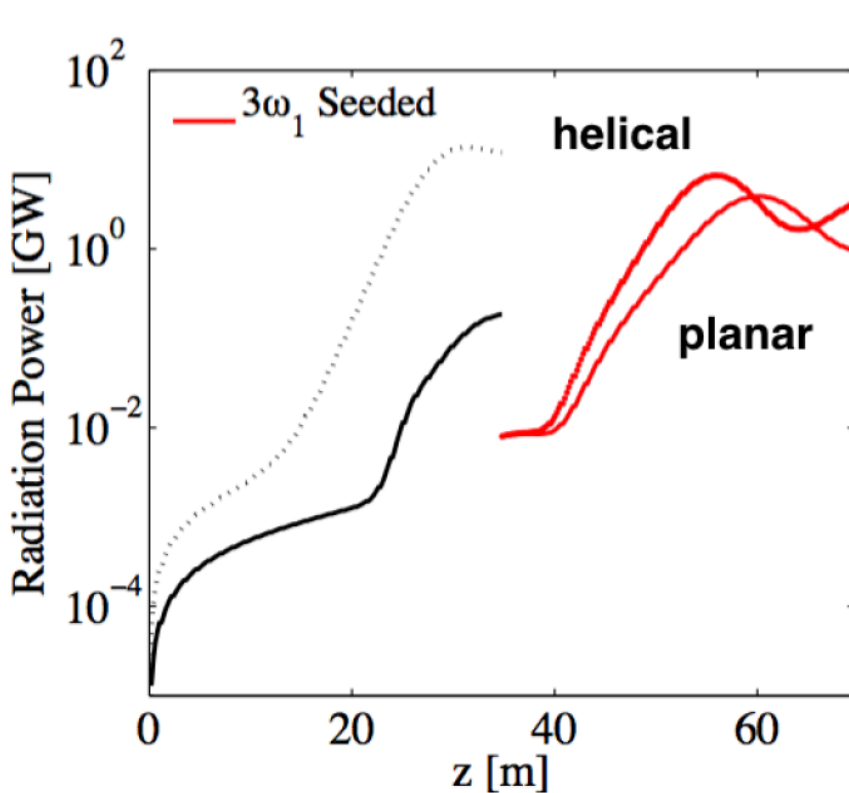
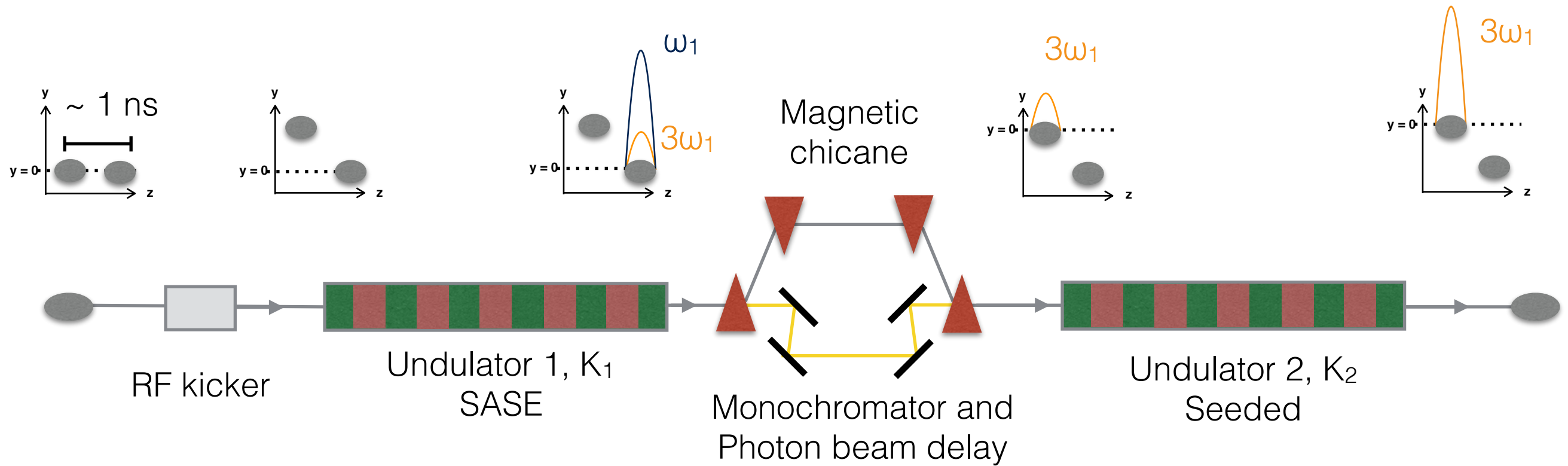
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Double bunch harmonic ESS: simulation study



Conclusion

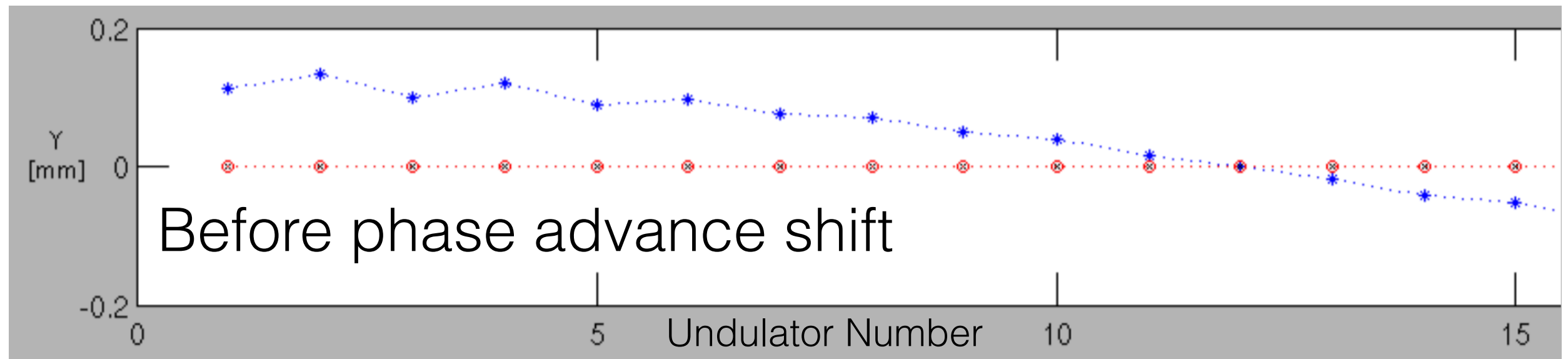
- We discuss Enhanced Self-Seeding (ESS) as a method to increase the brightness and enhance the capability of X-ray FELs.
- We report the results of the first experimental demonstration of ESS at LCLS.
- We measure ESS pulses with high peak power (~ 50 GW) short pulse duration (sub 10 fs) and narrow bandwidth ($\sim 8 \times 10^{-5}$).
- We perform a comparison of ESS performance with SASE and self-seeding at the same photon energy and estimate an increase in brightness of a factor of 12 and 2 respectively.
- Application of this method to optimized undulator designs promises peak powers in the TW range sufficient for X-ray imaging and nonlinear science applications.
- Further exploration of this method including its application to harmonic lasing is currently under study.

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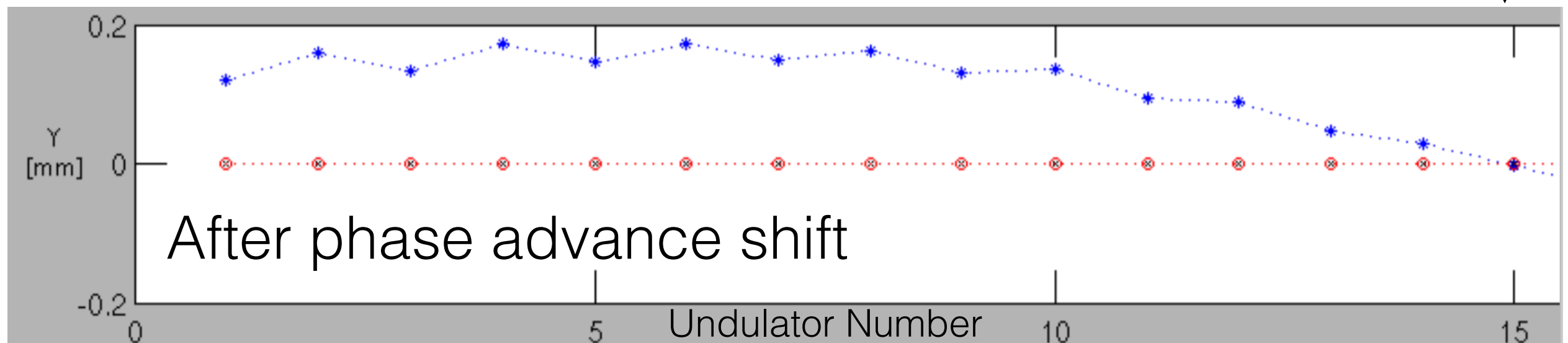
Additional Slides

Orbit correction: setting waist position at HXRSS

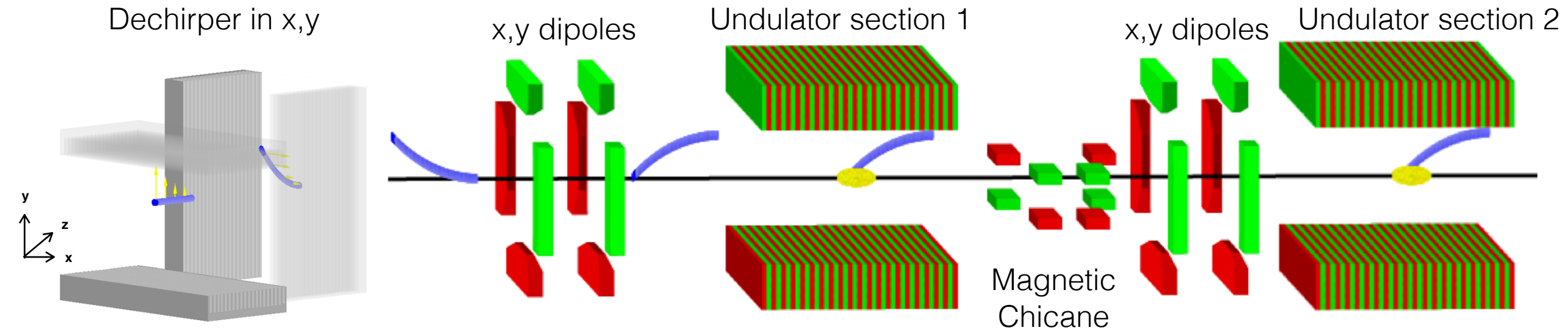


Orbit correction is critical! Orbit control within 5 micron after HXRSS necessary for good overlap of beam with seed

HXRSS



Fresh slice SASE: pulse duration control

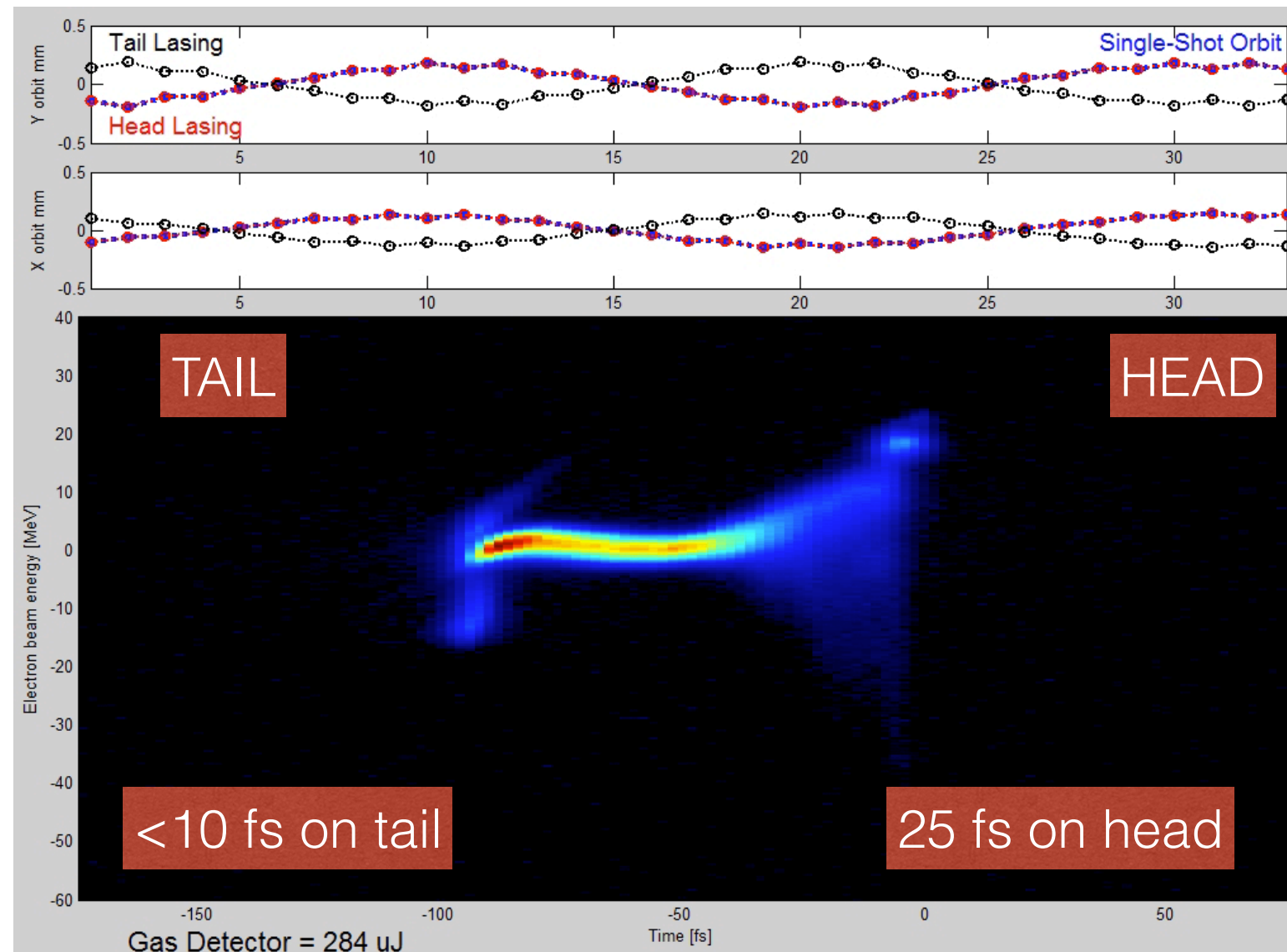


Upstream of the undulator section:

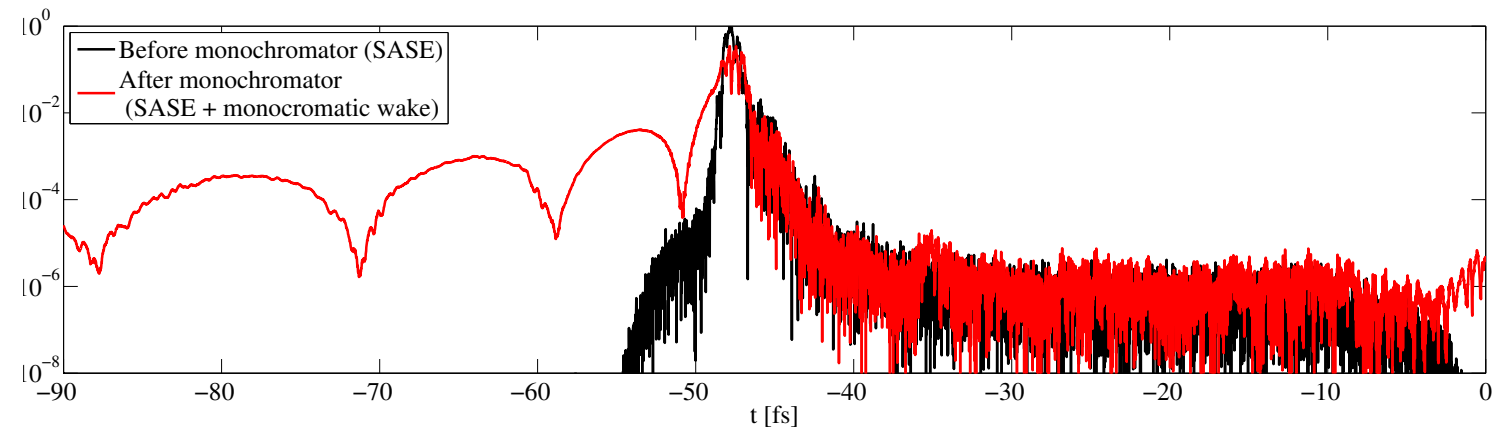
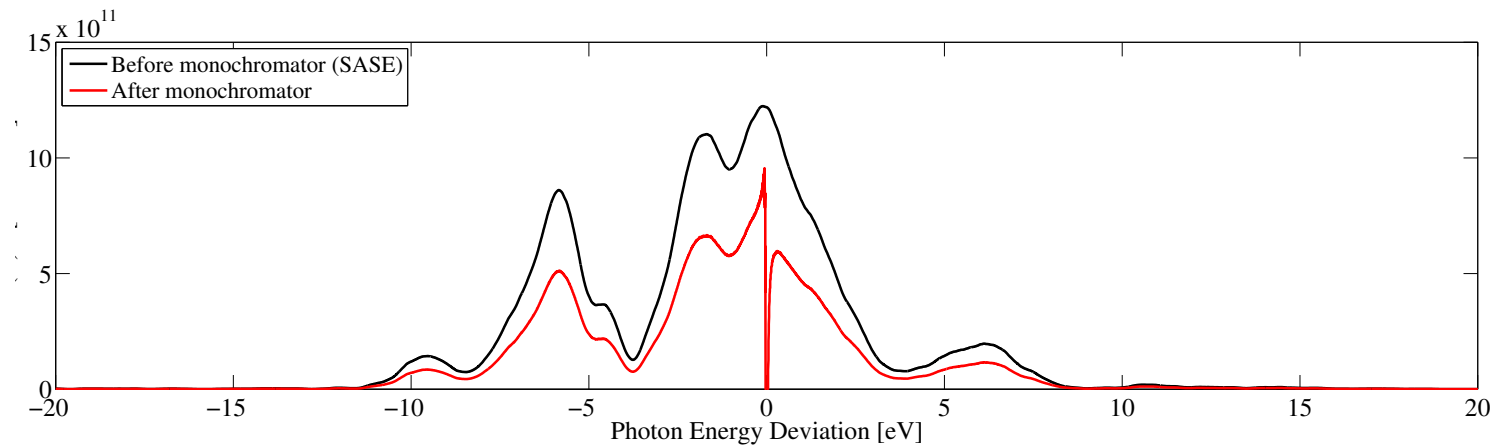
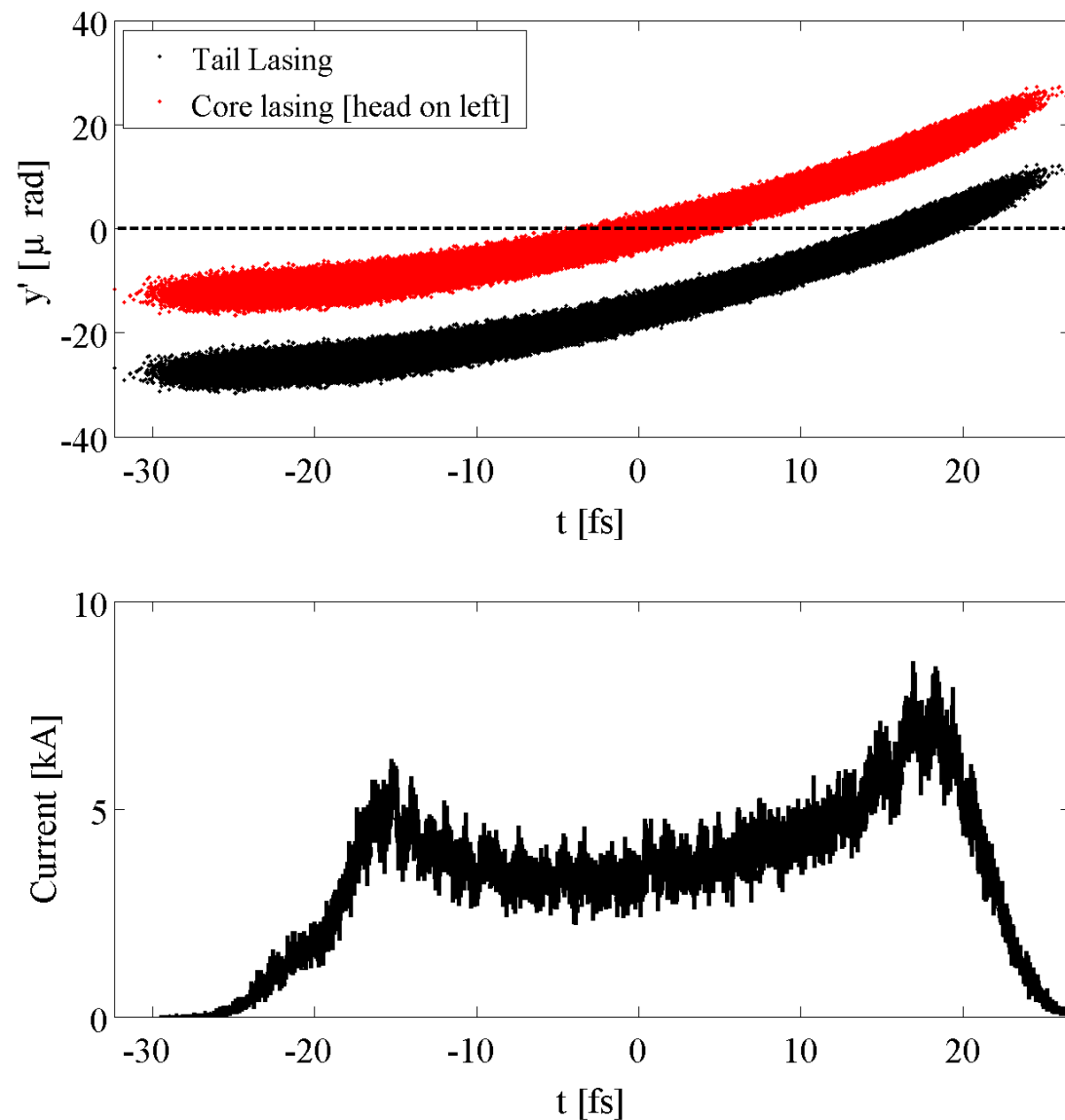
- ❖ The dechirper is set to an offset off machine axis
- ❖ The electron beam gets a correlated kick toward the closest jaw
- ❖ The tail performs betatron oscillations in y and x
- ❖ The head is on the nominal zero-orbit (With feedbacks turned off)

In the undulator section:

- ❖ All undulators used to lase on a single slice
- ❖ Easy way to control the pulse duration by selecting which slice of beam lases



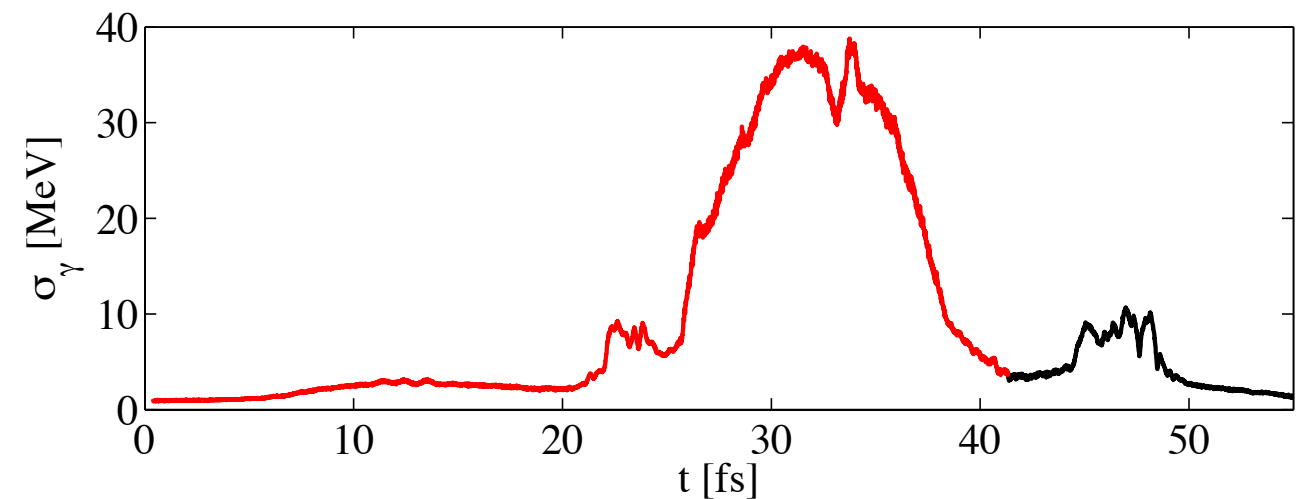
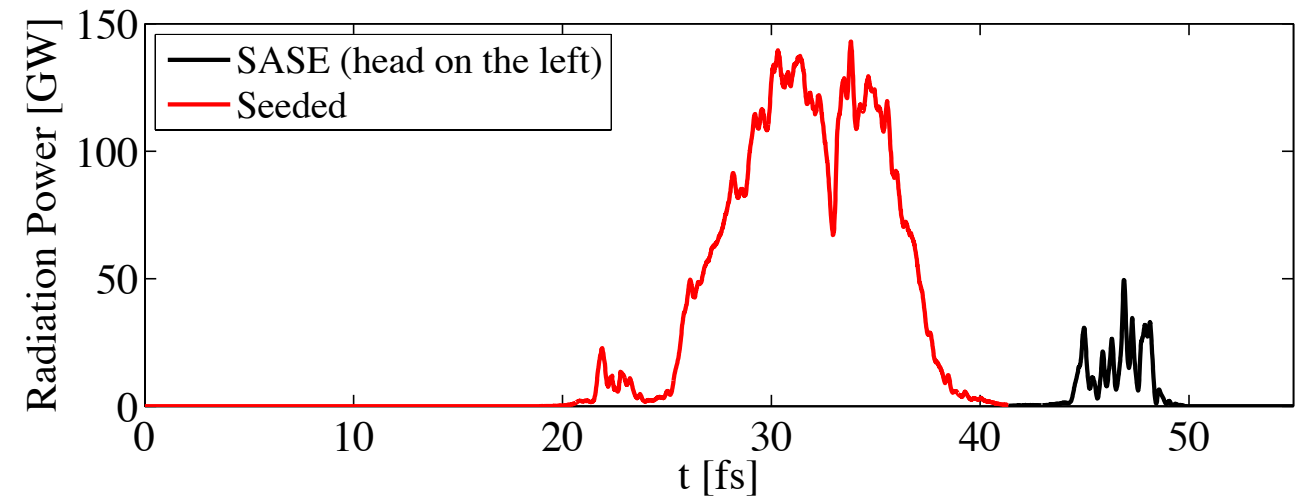
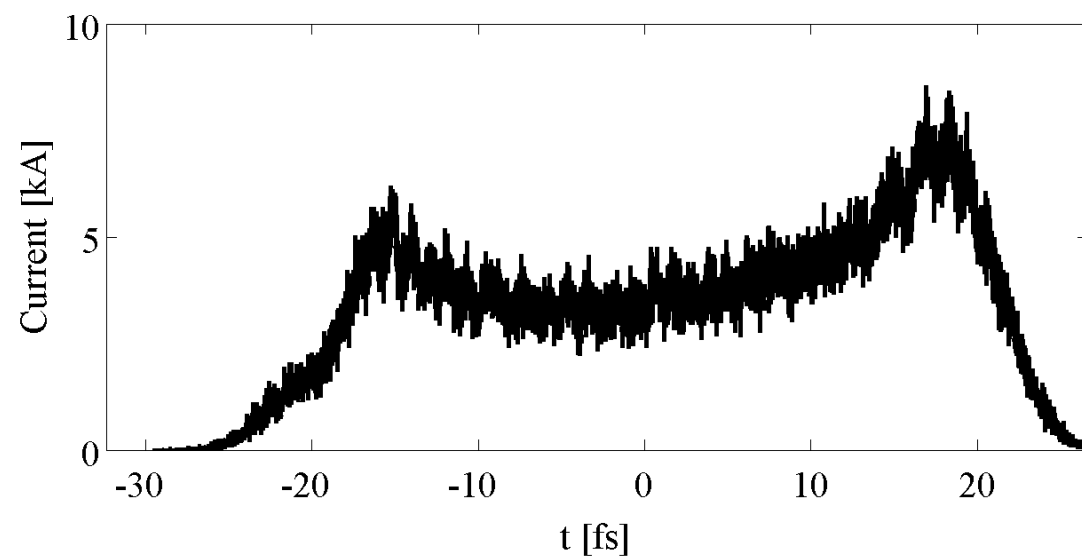
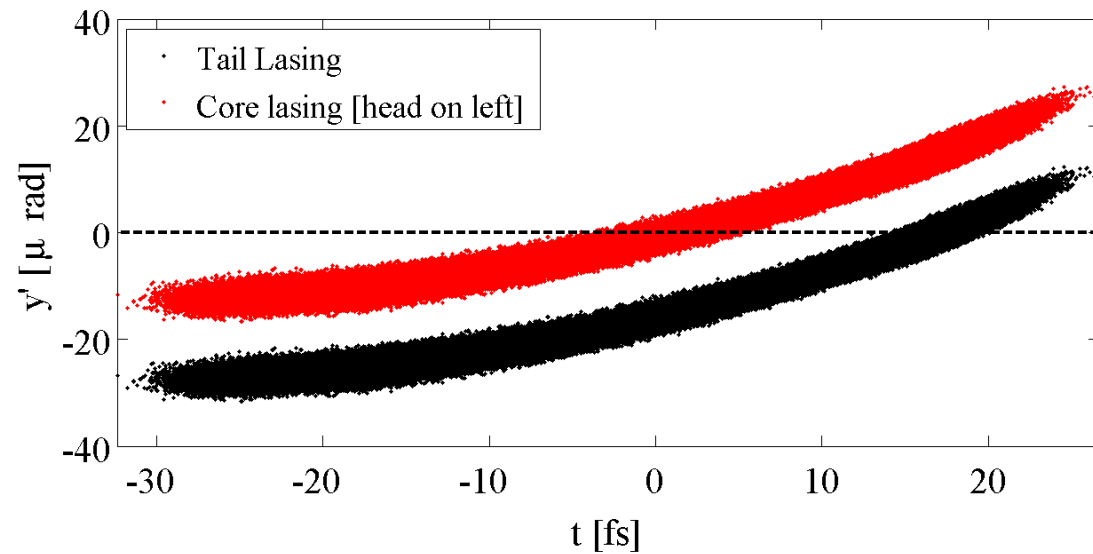
Start-to-end simulations-1



Monochromatization of SASE

- Width of first maximum is 8 fs similar to seeded pulse width measured in ESS experiment

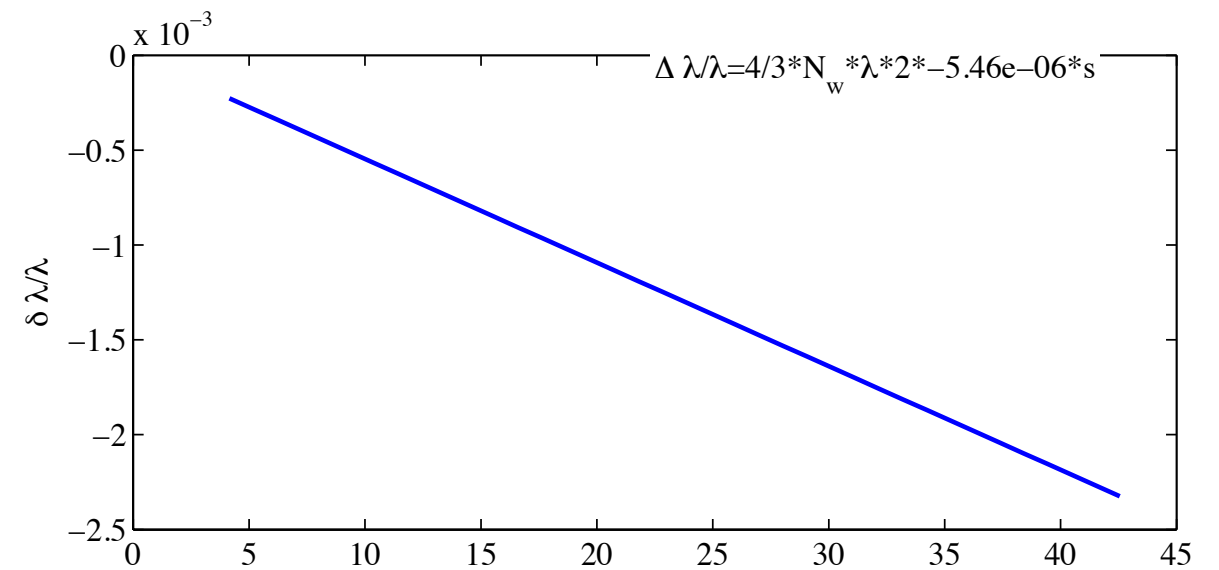
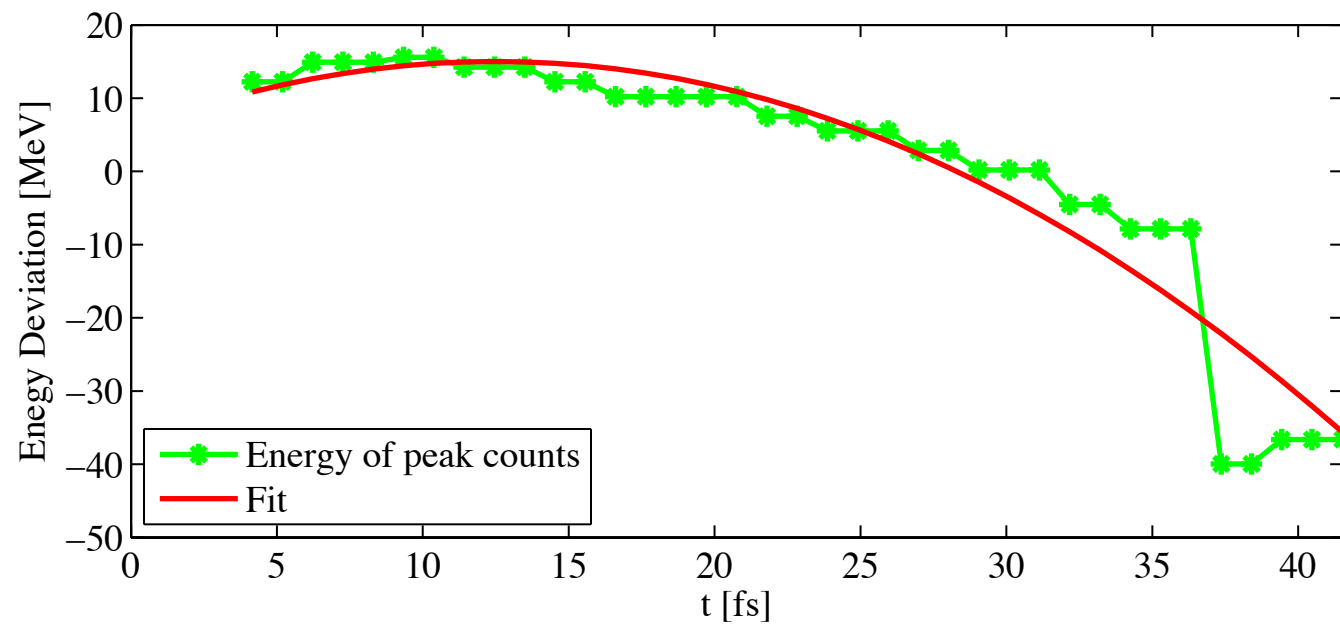
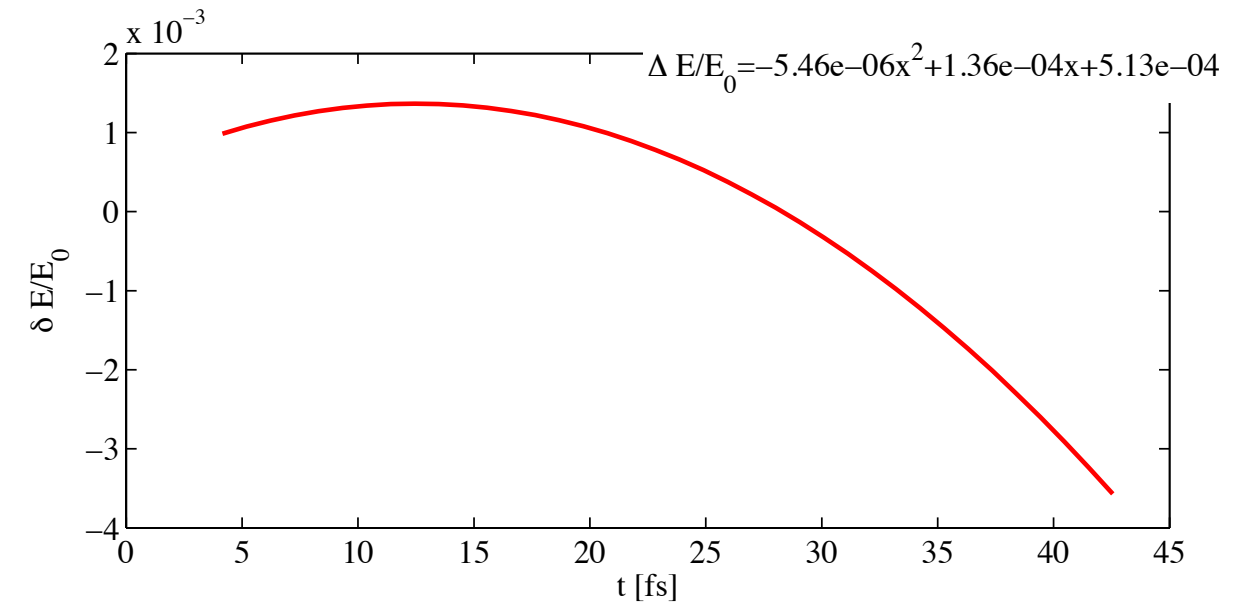
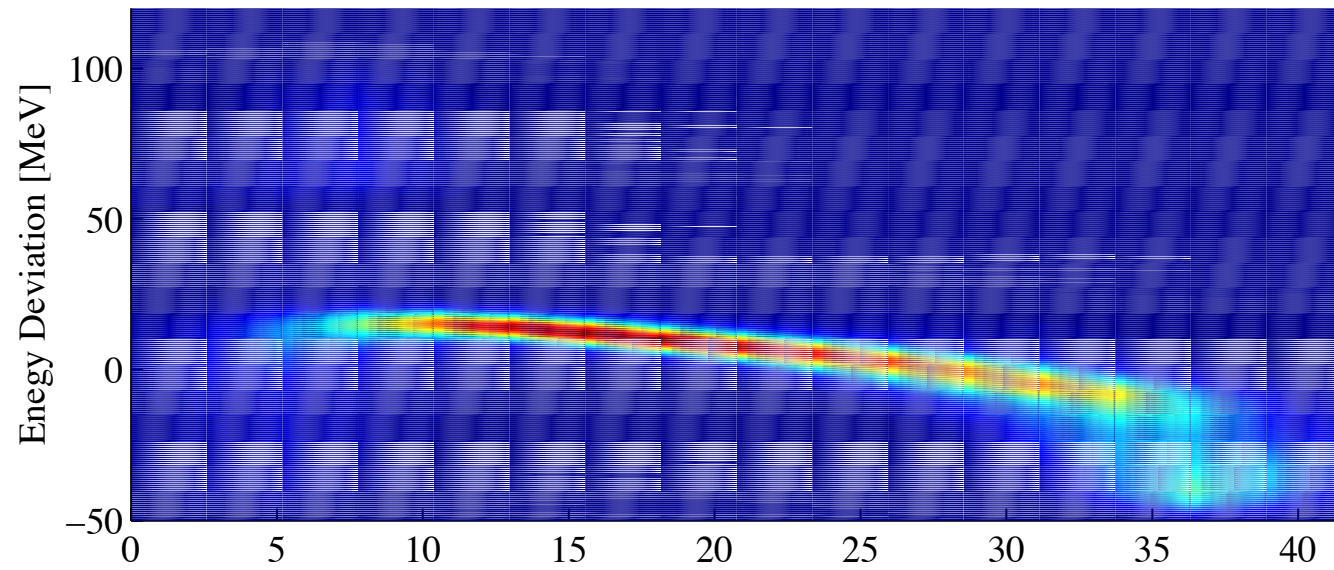
Start-to-end simulations-2



Two-stage GENESIS simulation

- Intensity is ~ 1 mJ matches the peak intensity measured in best shots
- Simulation includes dipole kick from dechirper but excludes quad. wake and slice energy spread increase on tail
- Including these effects and self-consistent steering in simulation is part of ongoing work

Possible bandwidth broadening from nonlinear chirp

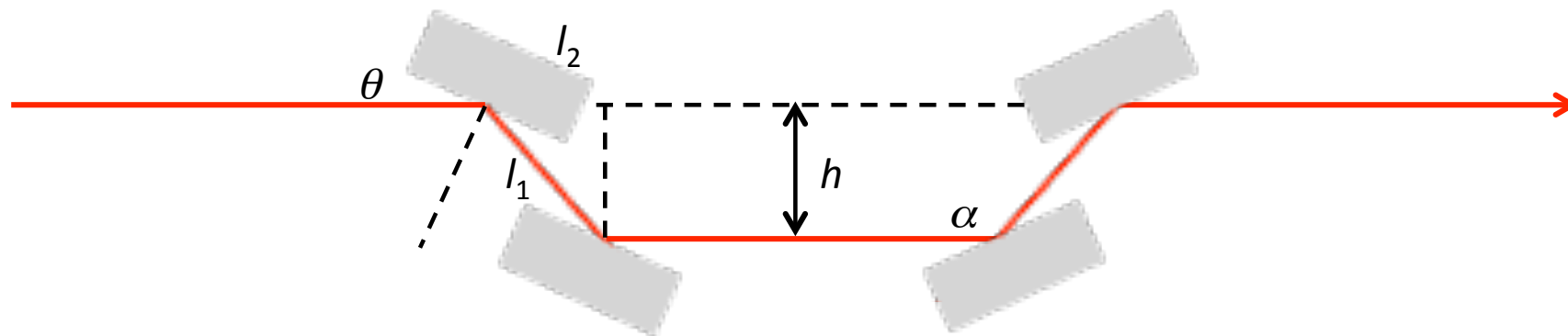


Double-bunch monochromator design

C* (220) at 12 keV

$$\theta = 24.18^\circ$$

- Schematics



- Time delay ~ 1 to 10 ns feasible w/ $h > 330$ mm

$$\Delta t = 2h(1+\cos\alpha)/\sin\alpha$$

$$\alpha = 2(\pi/2 - \theta)$$