

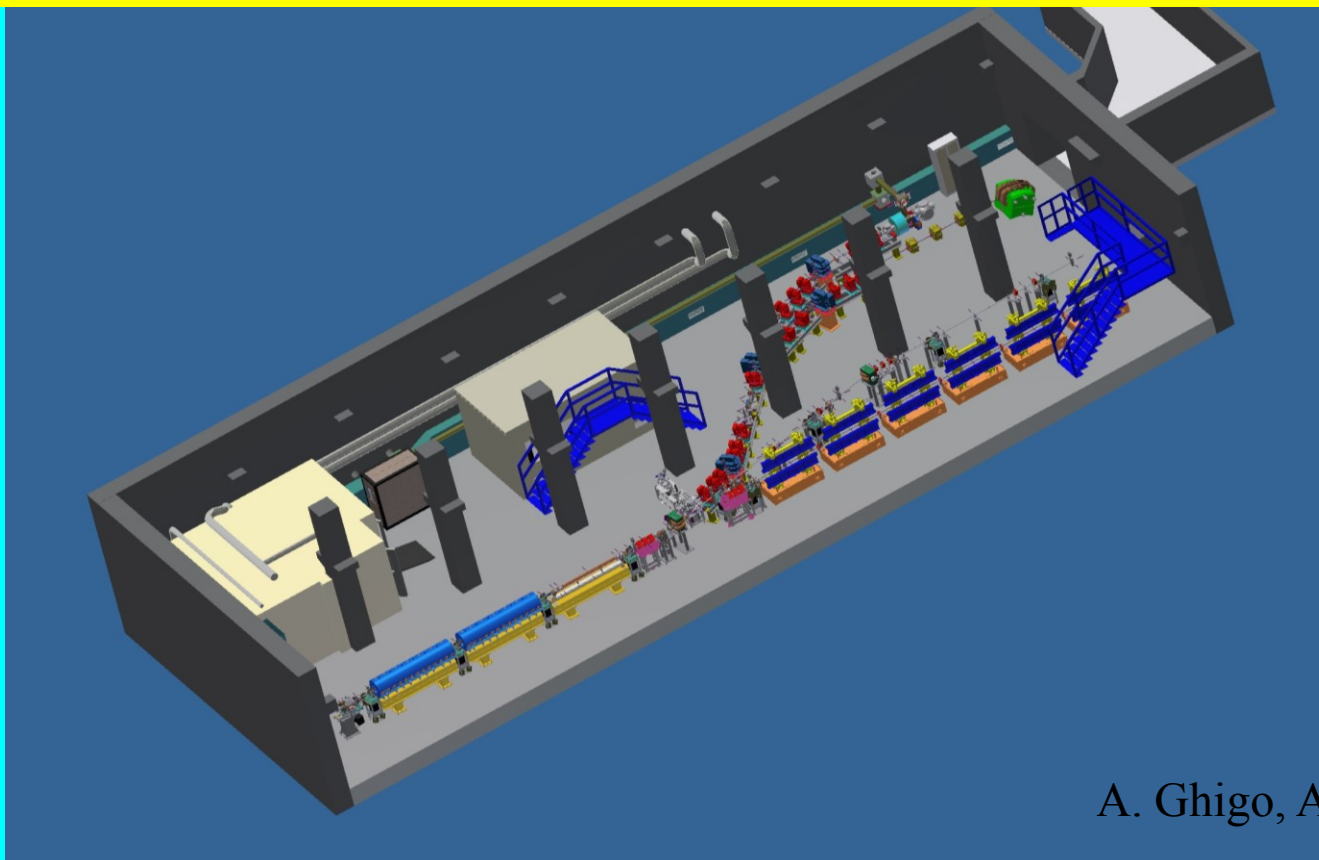
## External Injection at INFN-LNF (*integrating RF photo-injectors with LWFA*)

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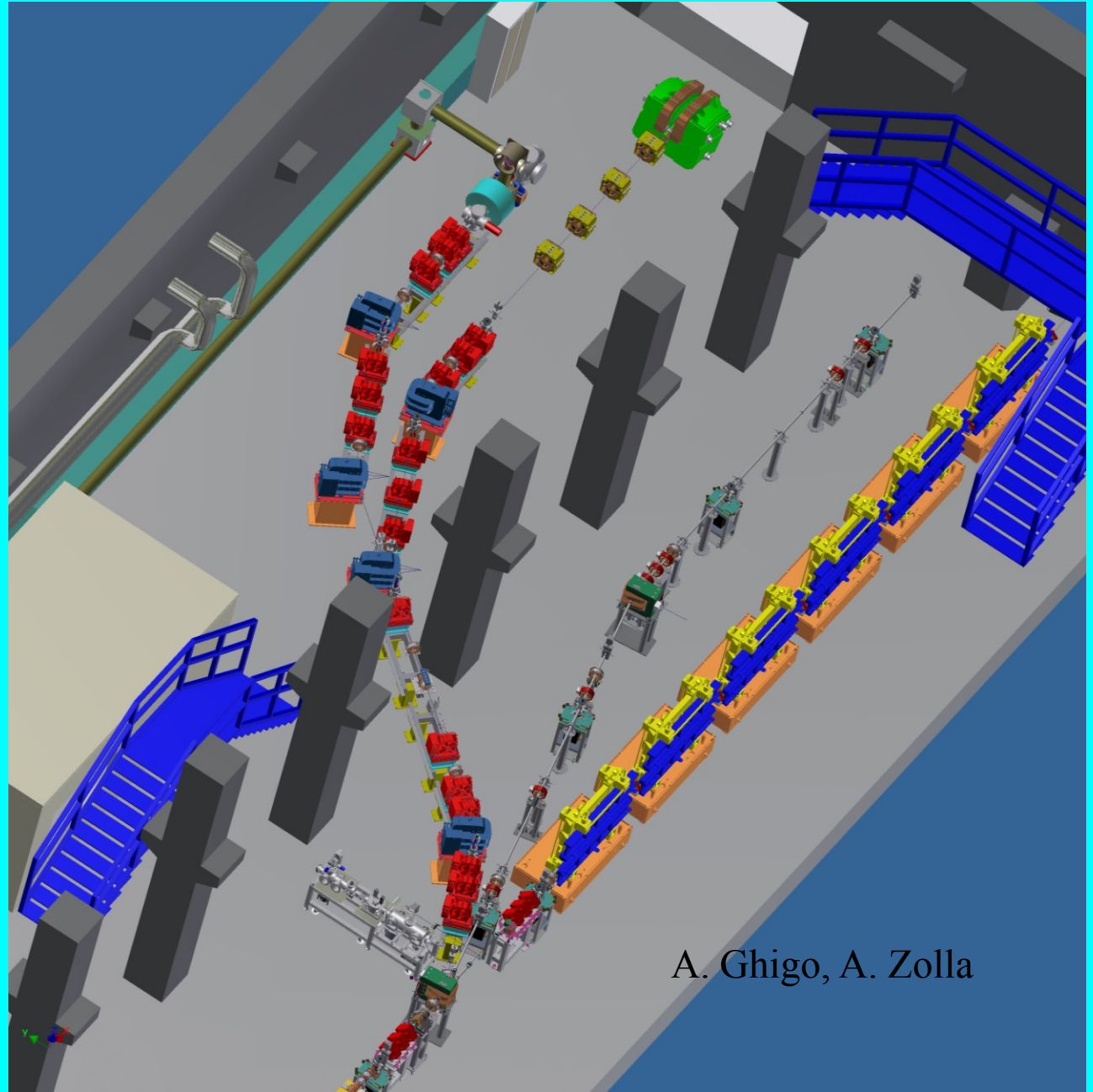
- **High Brightness Photoinjector SPARC – High Intensity (5 J, 300 TW) laser FLAME – both running at INFN-LNF**
- **Ongoing installation of electron and photon beam transport lines: 20-500 keV Thomson Source (2011) and Ext. Inj. Exp. in 2013 (-> PWFA COMB Exp., see M. Ferrario's talk)**
- **SPARC upgrade to 250 MeV (funded), using C-band techn., by 2012, and possible up to 750 MeV (SPARX-FEL program) by 2015: this will lead to second phase of PWFA experiments as well Compton  $\gamma$ -ray source (18 MeV) @ high spectral density**

## Messa in Funzione Sorgente Thomson

200 fs electron bunch with low emittance exp. demonstrated at SPARC!  
Simulations for 20 pC – 20 fs / 1 pC – 1 fs at 150 MeV

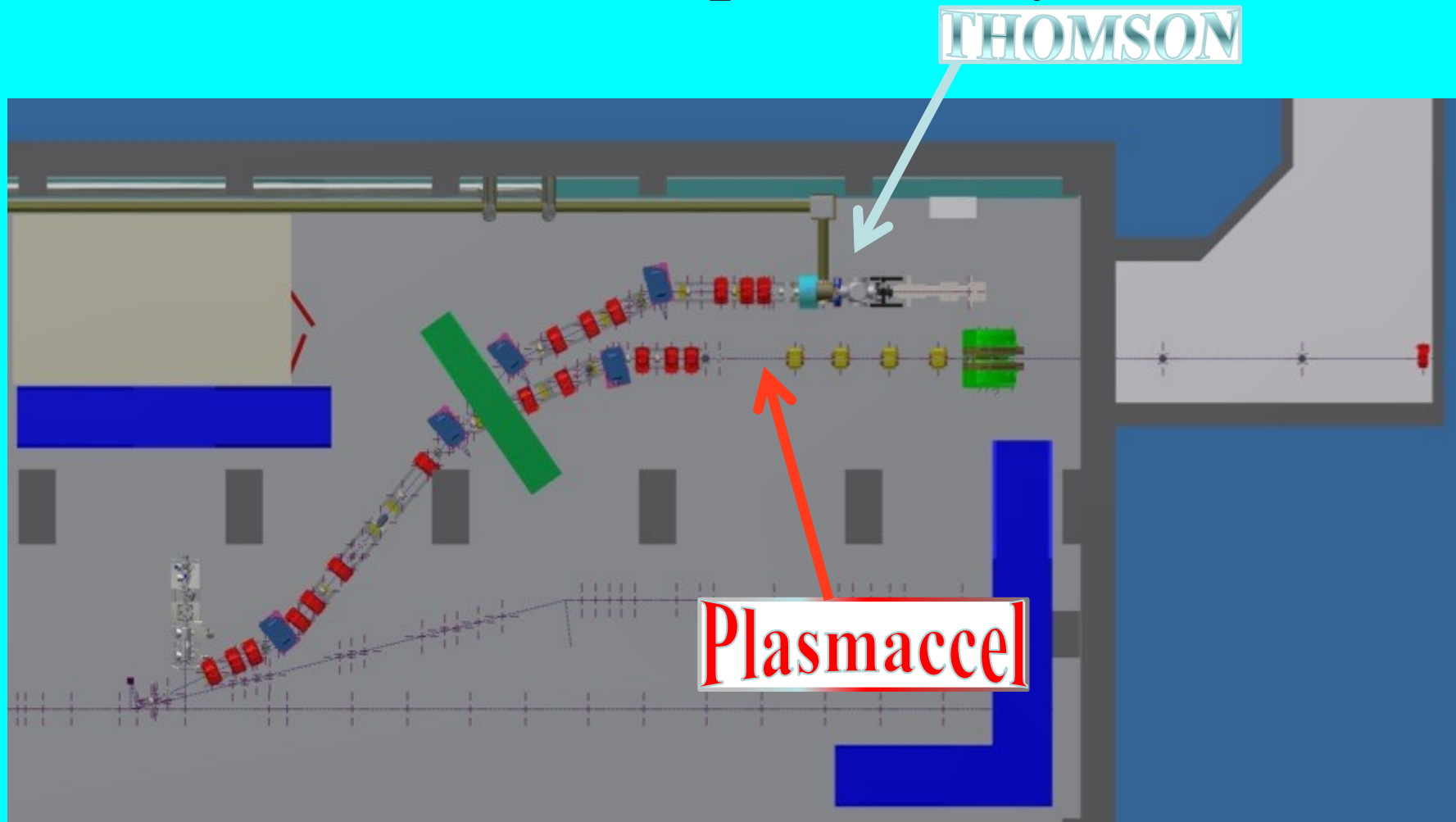


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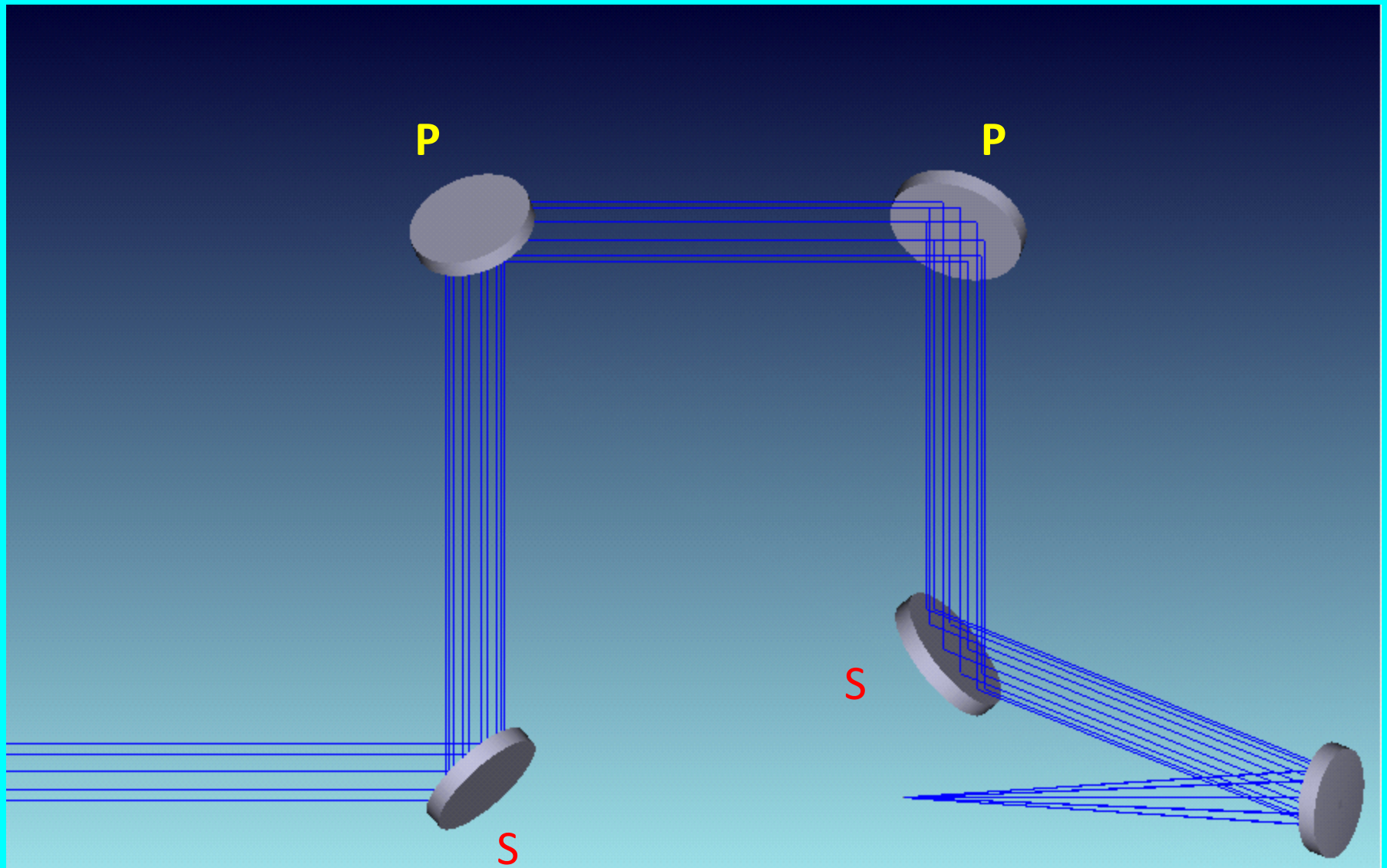


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# Thomson & Plasma Acceleration beamlines updated layout



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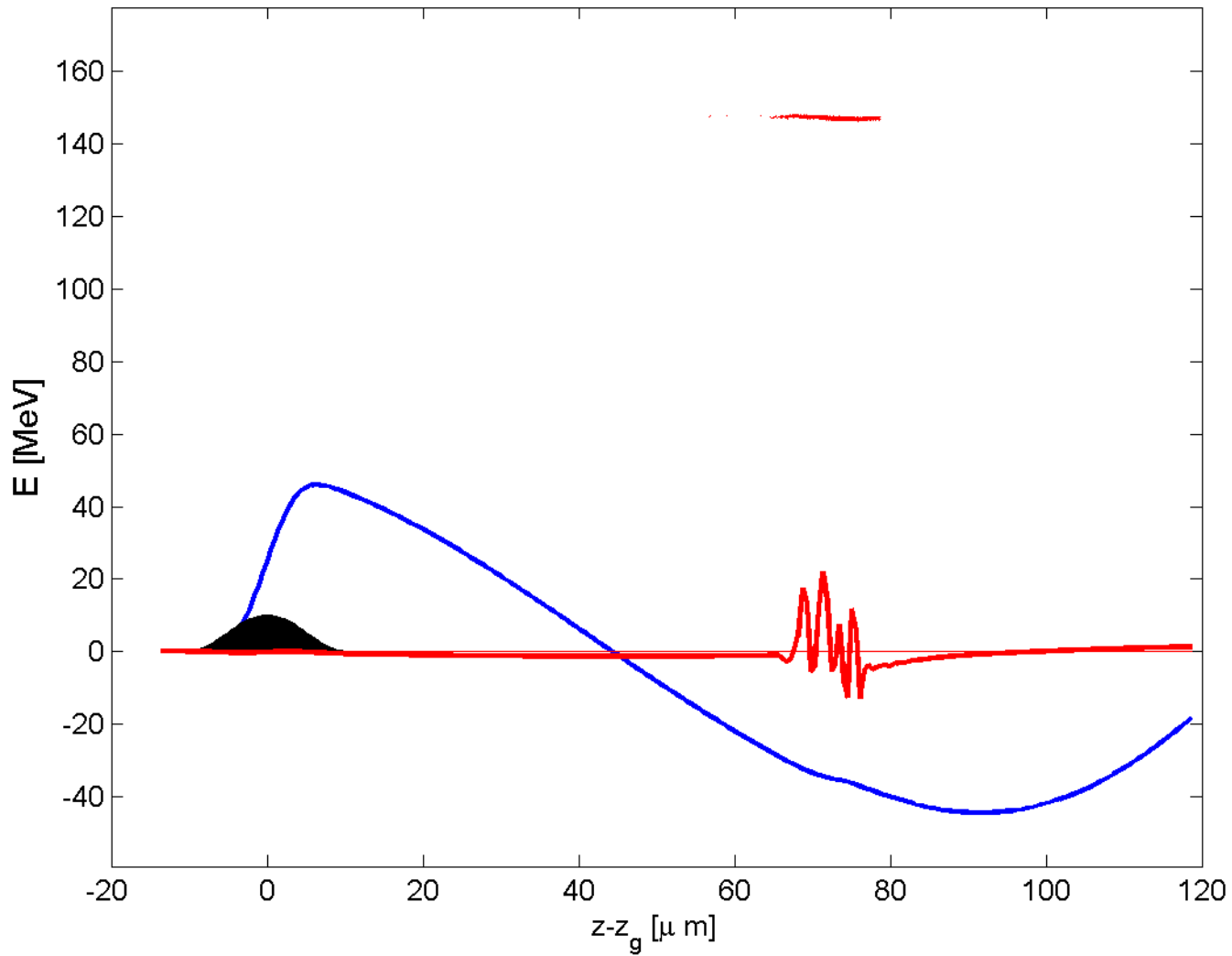


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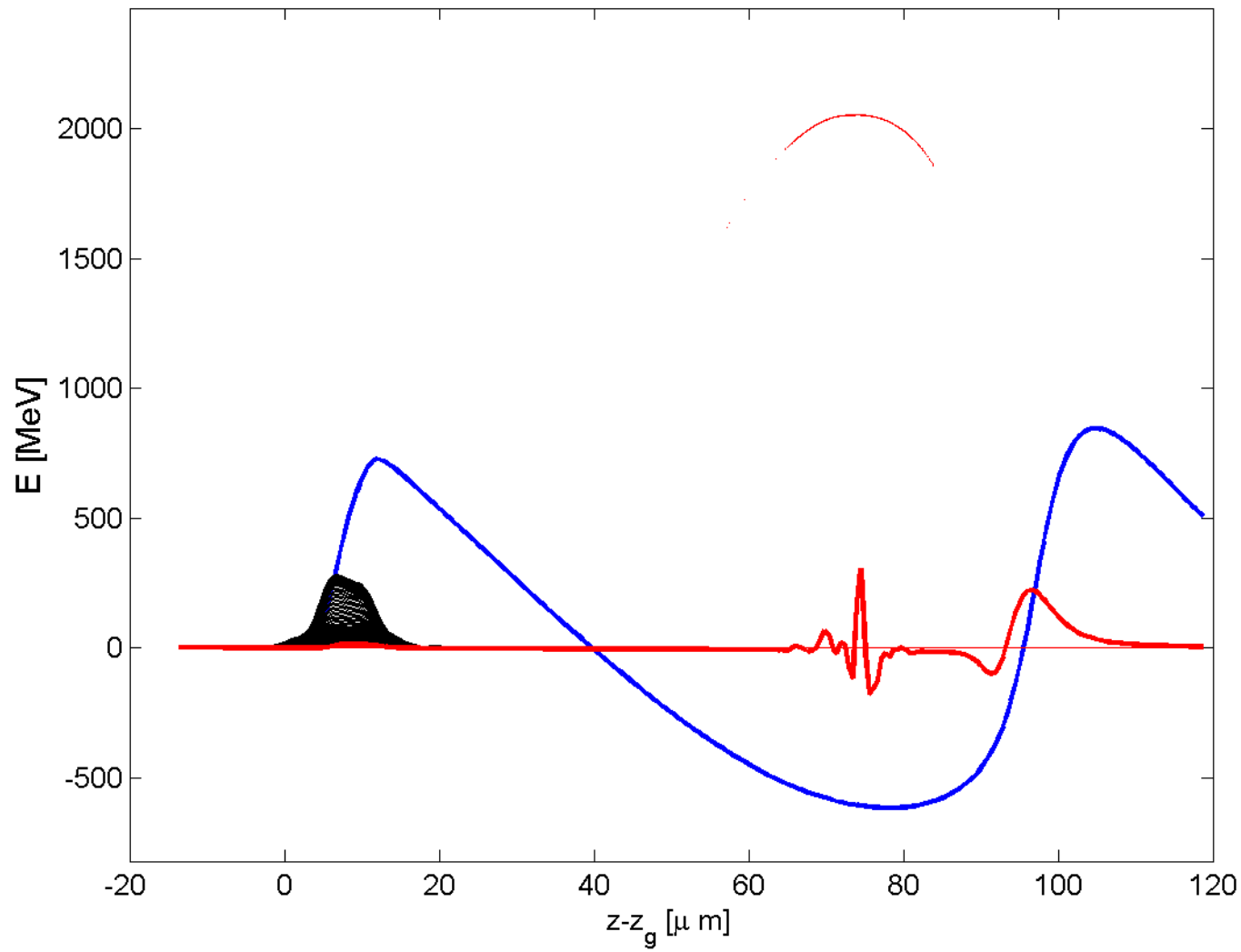
# External Injection Experiment

- **Injected Bunch**: 13pC, 150MeV, 0.6 mm·mrad, 3.0  $\mu\text{m}$  rms spot, 2.4  $\mu\text{m}$  rms rms length [circa 1KA]
- **Laser**: 7J in 35fs,  $w_0=32.5 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $w_{0\_inj}=135 \mu\text{m}$ , guided over 30  $Z_R$ .
- **Plasma**: Density between  $0.6 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  and  $0.8 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ , guided laser pulse. Simulated acceleration length circa 15 cm.
- **Numerica**: Mobile Window at  $v=c$ , sampling at 46 mesh points /  $\lambda_p$  and 26 m.p./w. Bunch sampled by 40000 particles

$n_0 = 41e15 \text{ 1/cm}^3$ , Pos:  $0 \cdot 10^2 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $\sigma_z: 2.57 \mu\text{m}$

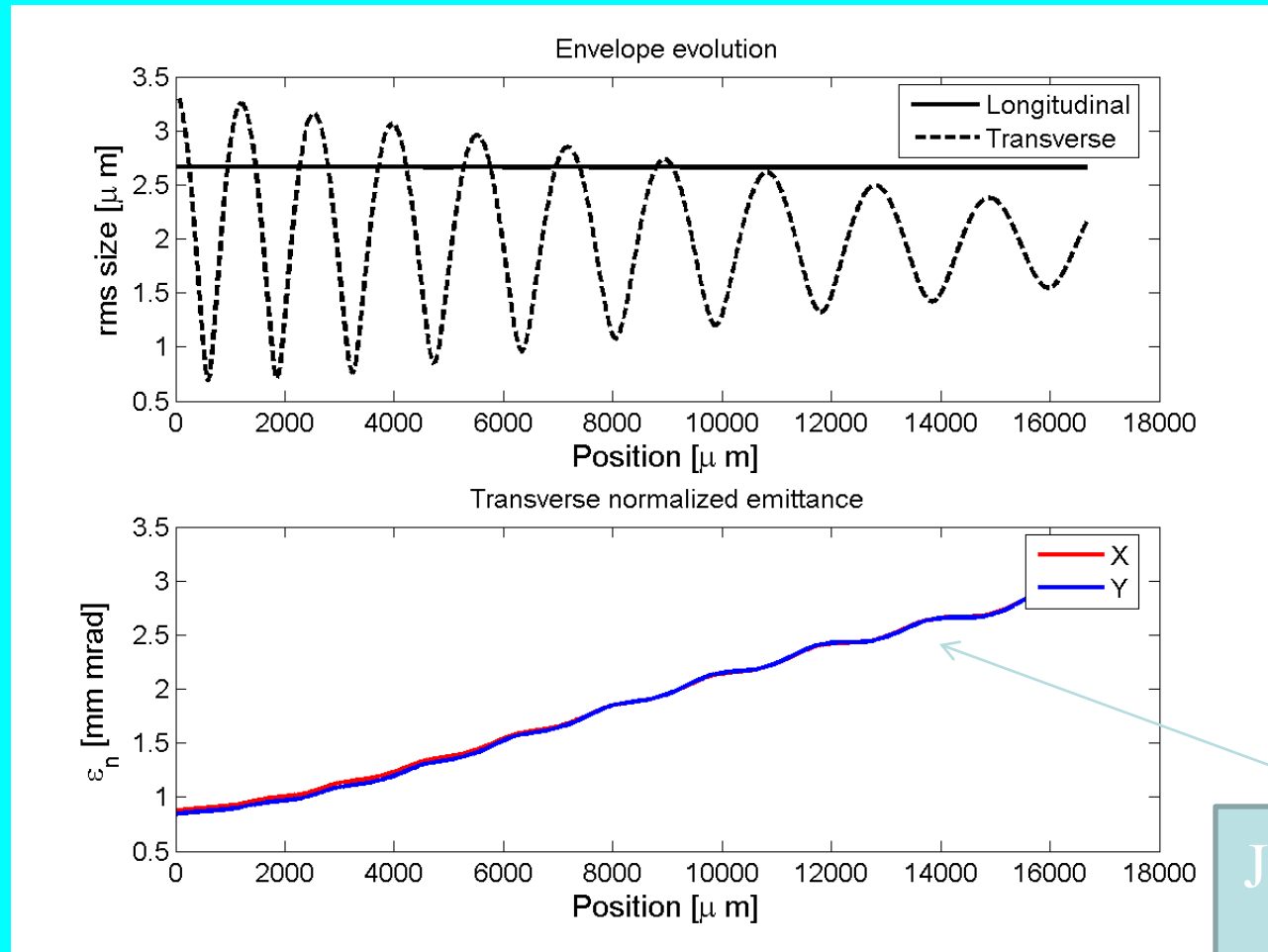


$n_0 = 75e15 \text{ 1/cm}^3$ , Pos:  $-1611 \cdot 10^2 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $\sigma_z: 2.46 \mu\text{m}$





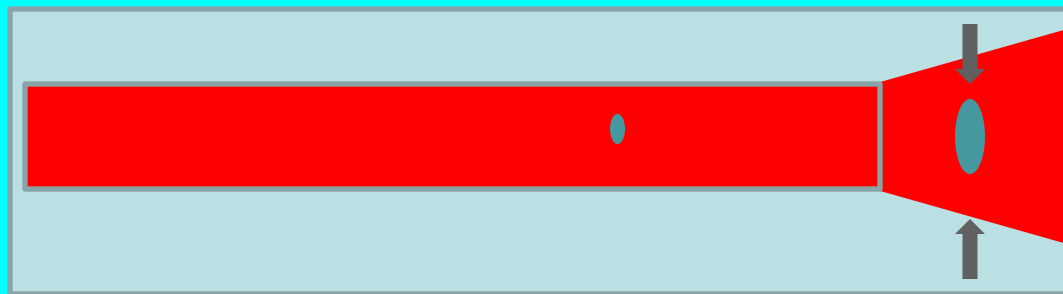
# Emittance dilution for un-matched injection (transverse phase space rotation)



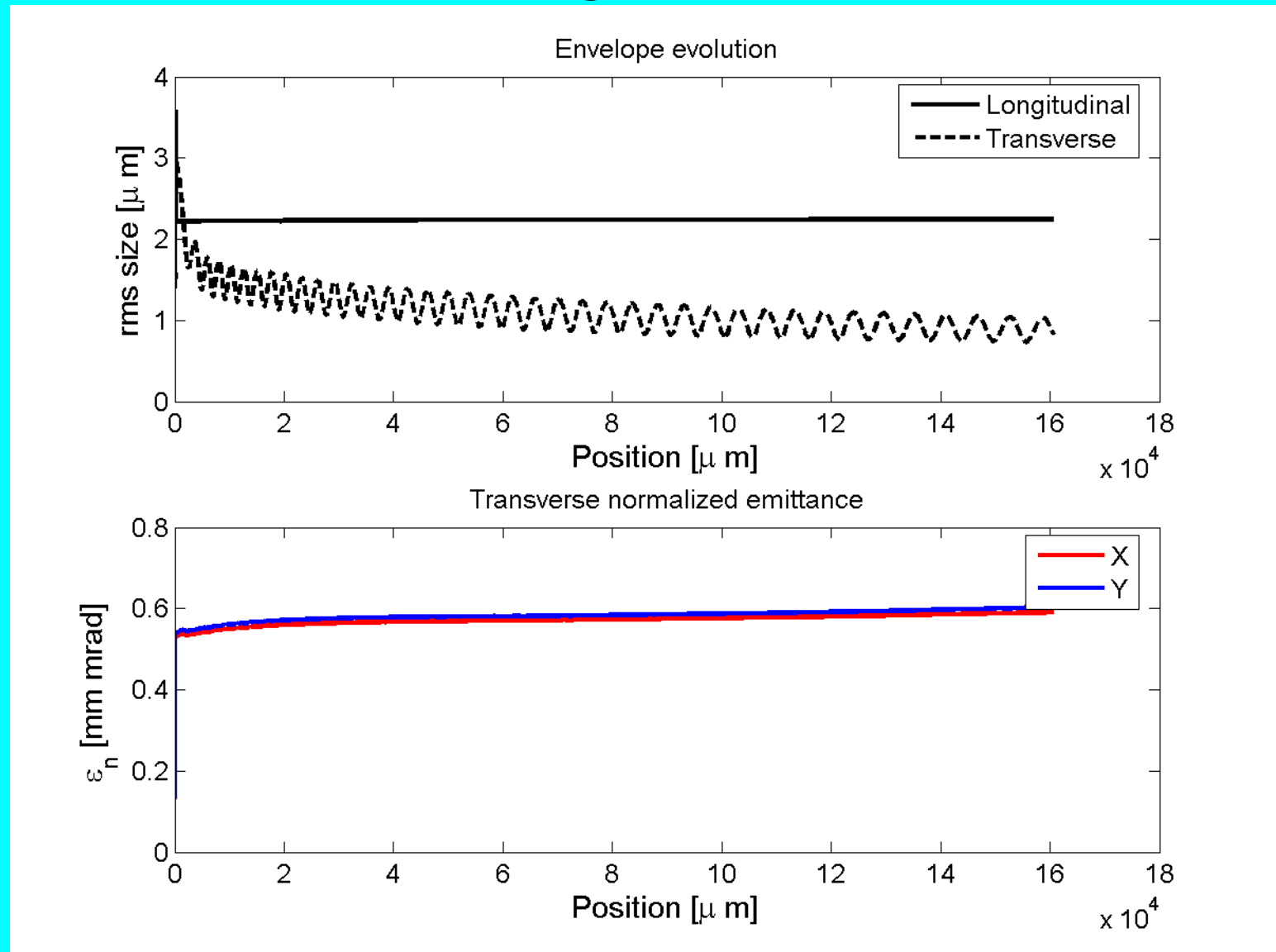
Just after  
14 mm

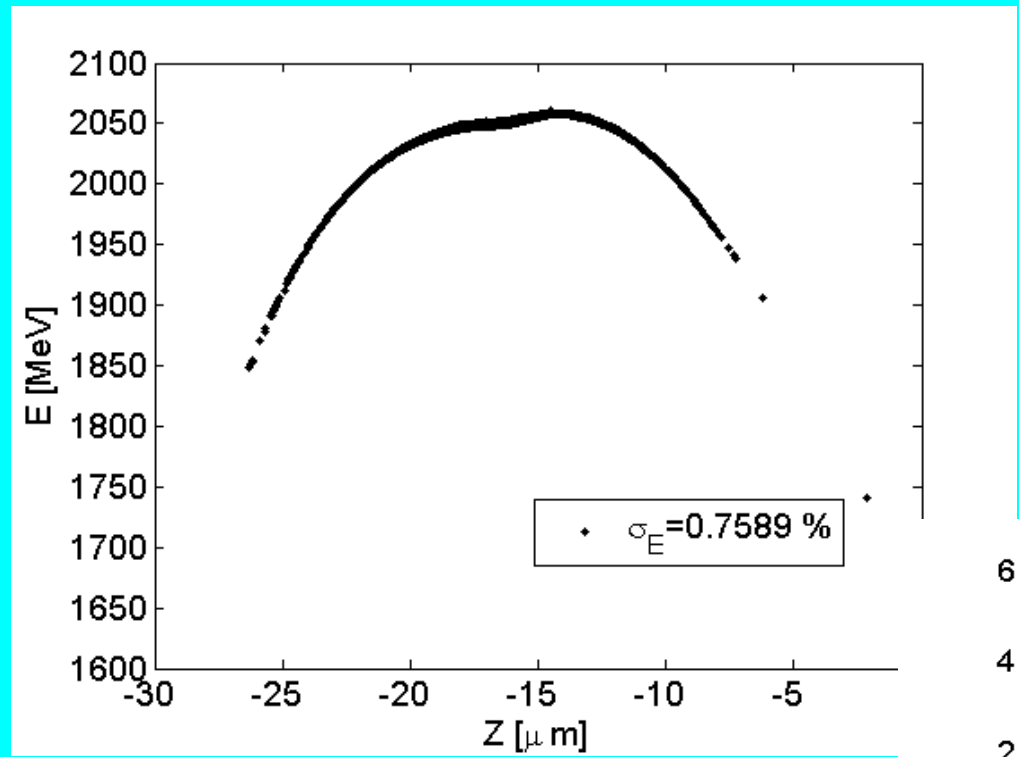
## Matching of beam $\beta$ -function with plasma betatron focusing: adiabatic matching

- Inject electron beam in capillary/plasma channel when laser pulse is still focusing (before waist).

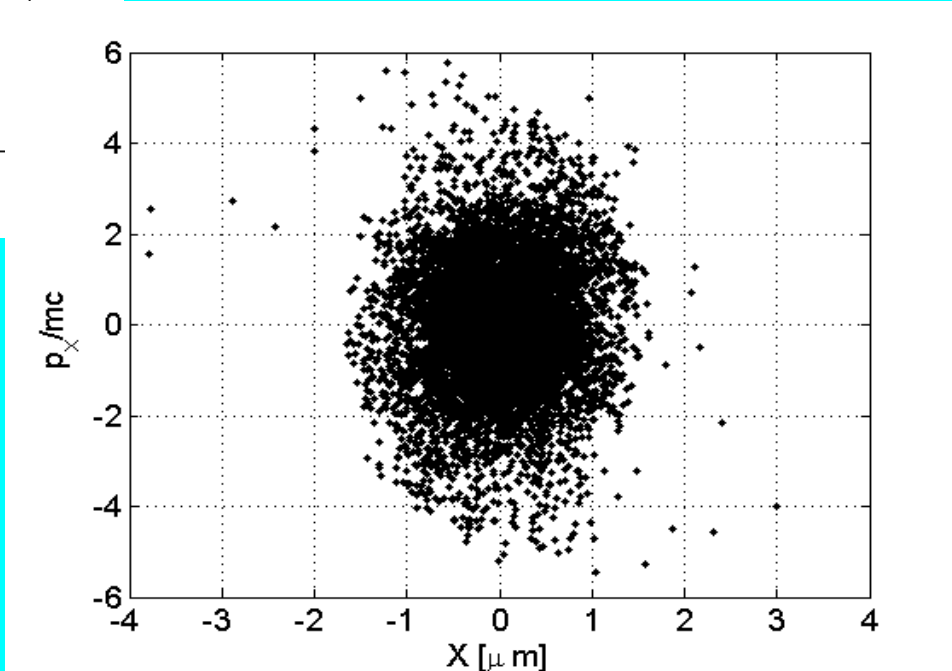


# Adiabatic Matching into Plasma Channel





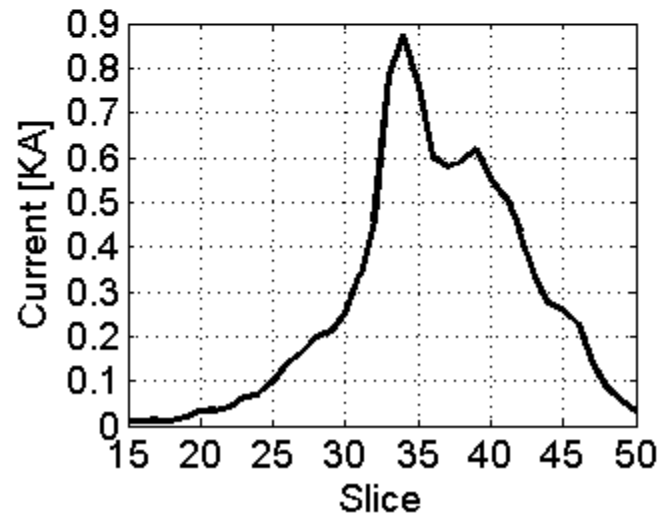
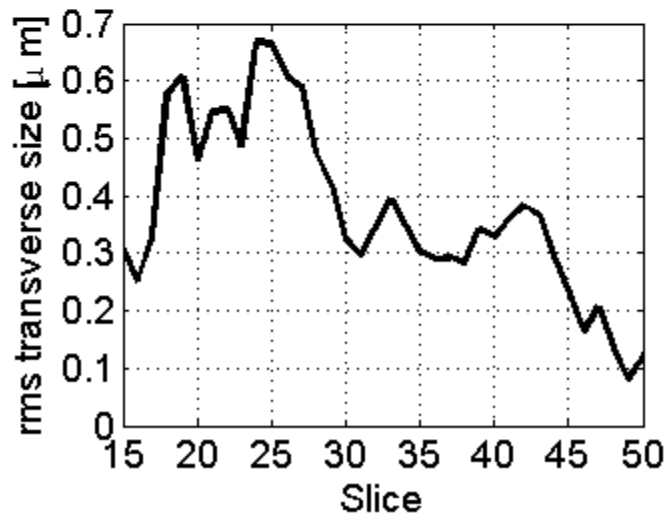
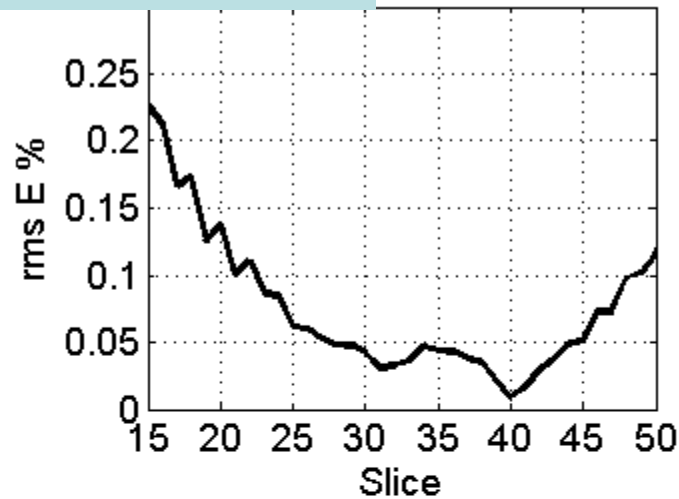
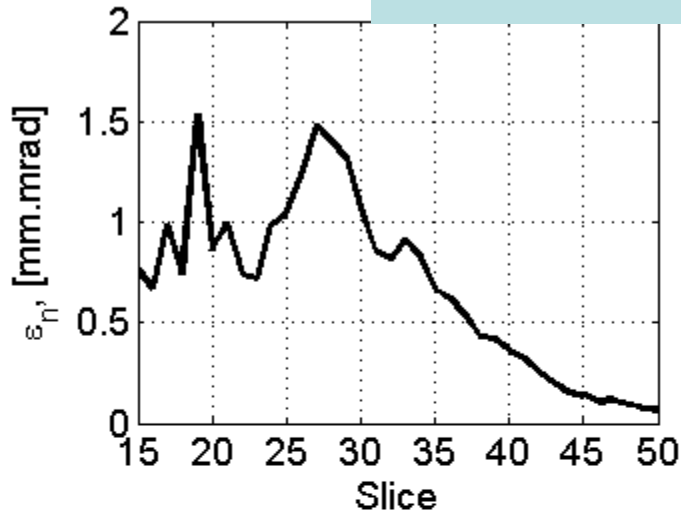
Output Beam  
 $\langle E \rangle = 2.01 \text{ GeV}$   
 $\Delta E/E = 0.8\% \text{ rms}$   
 $\varepsilon_n = 0.6 \mu\text{m}$



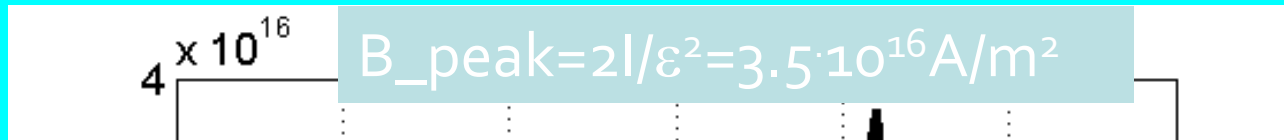
P. Tomassini (QFluyd2)

# Slice Analysis

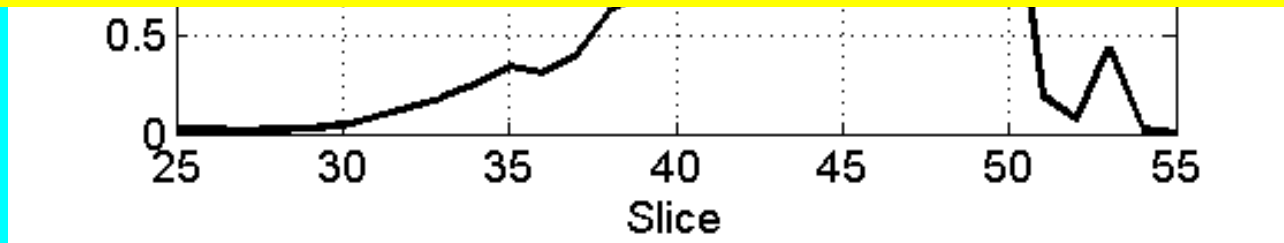
Slice thickness 400nm

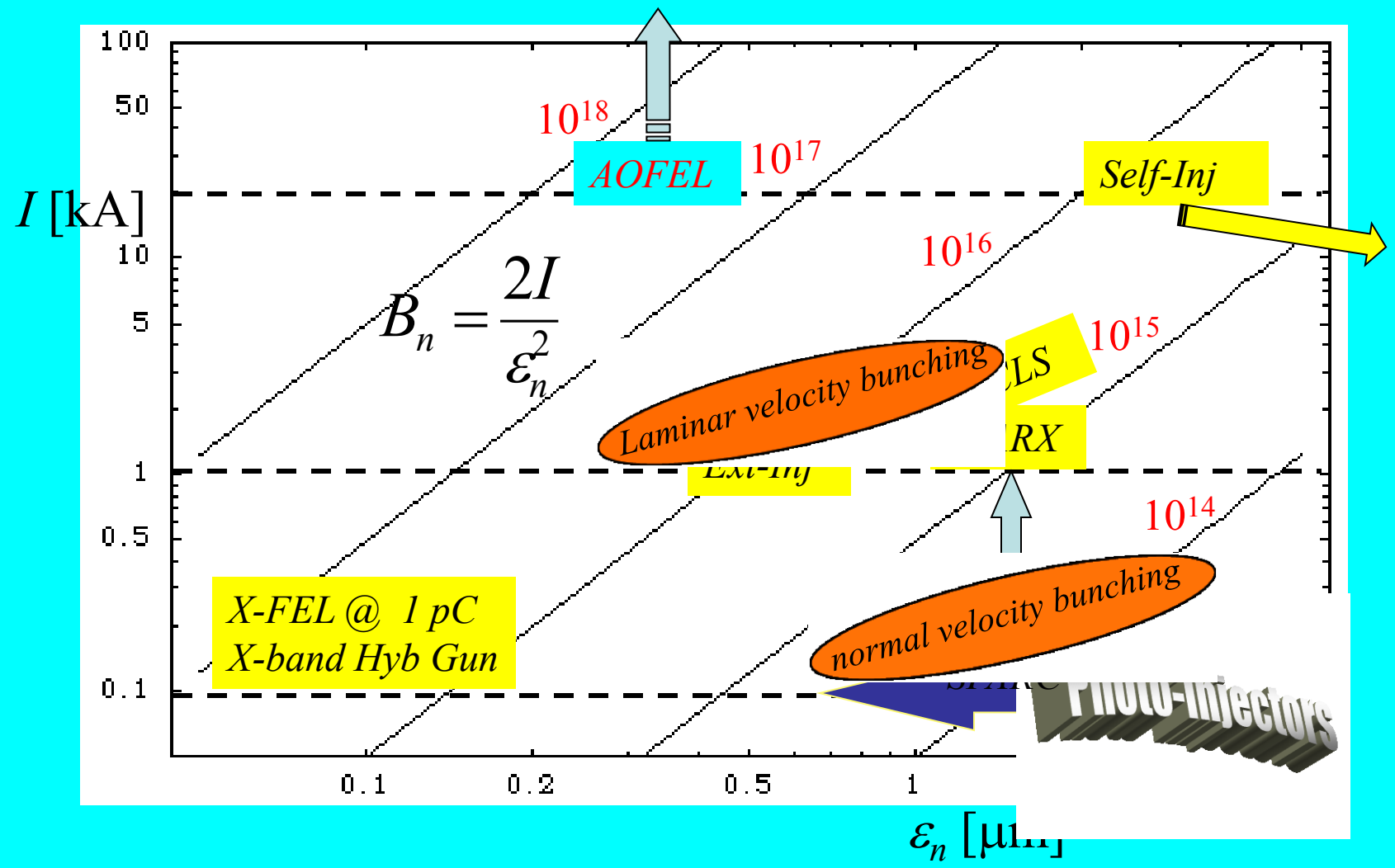


Brightness good enough to drive  
a X-ray FEL



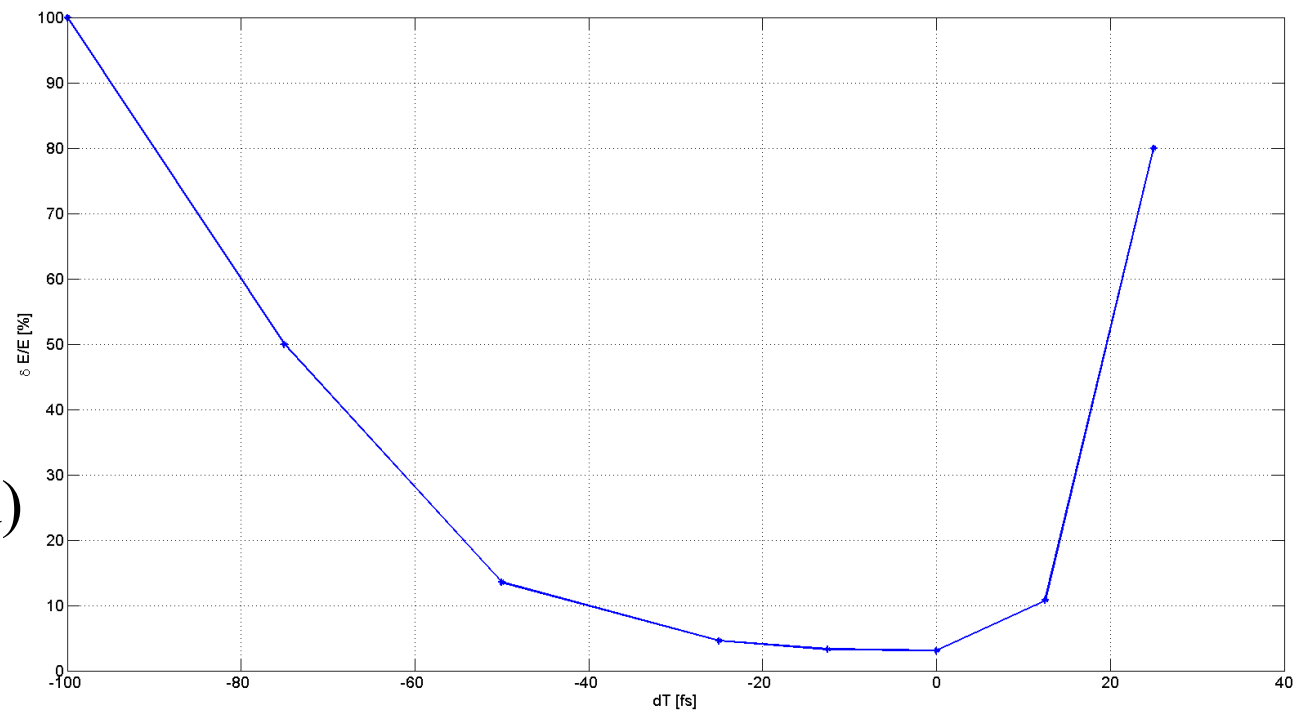
If this experiment confirms expectations  
(first injection tests expected in 2013)  
SPARX can be upgraded with a  
Plasma Booster (750 MeV --> 1.5 GeV  
in 10 cm plasma channel)





The Electron Beam Brightness Chart [A/(m-rad) $^2$ ]

# Jitter



Total (correlated)  
en. spread (%)

20 fs jitter (shot-to-shot @ 10 Hz) leads to 2.5 % en. spread increase  
 Present SPARC operation achieves 100-150 fs jitter – expected upgrade via O.M.O. (optical clock vs. RF clock) down to about 10-20...  
 for a test exp. survive with accepting lower effective rate of good shots out of the nominal 10 Hz (single shot diagnostics)

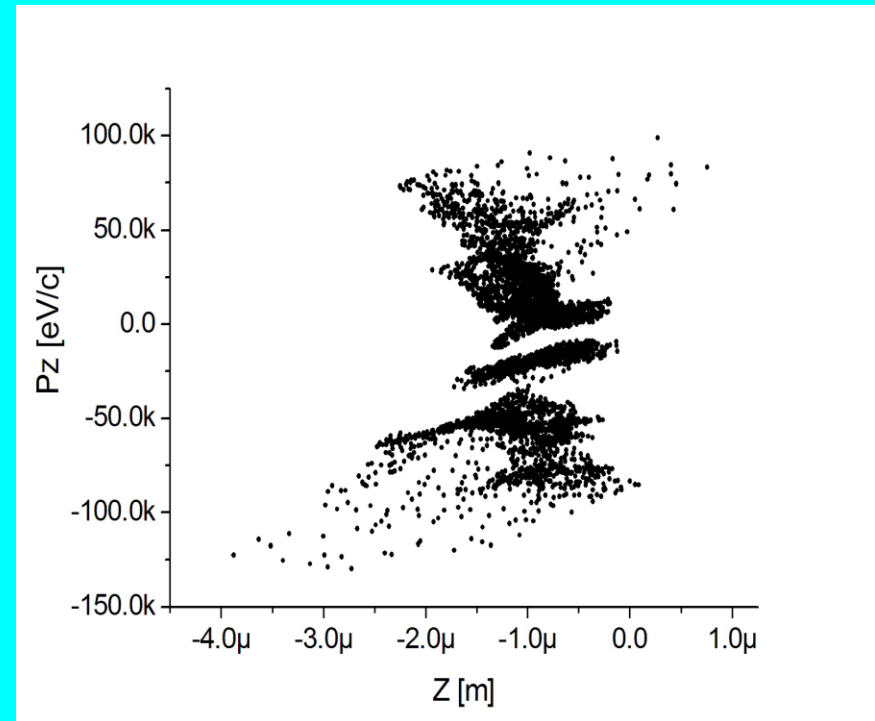
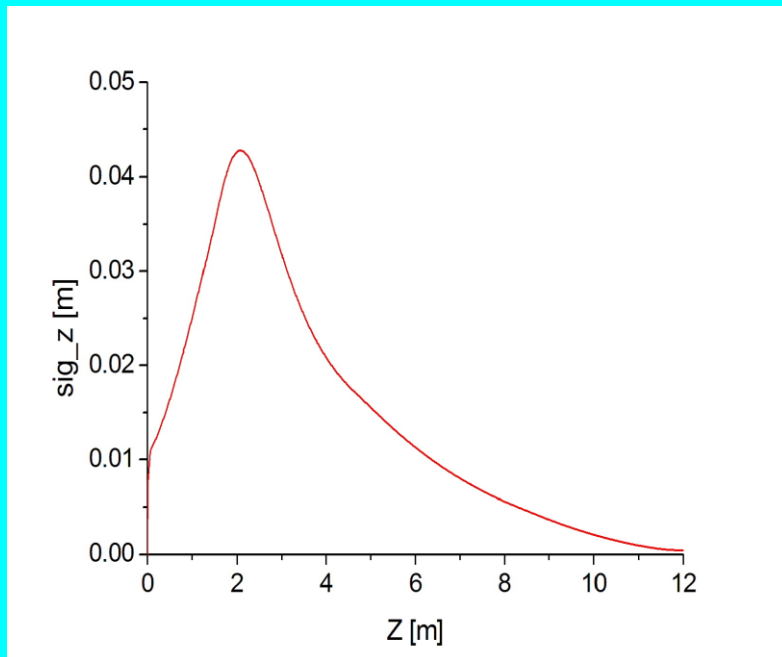


*Sub-fs  $e^-$  1 pC bunch @ SPARC  $\rightarrow$  fs  $\gamma$ -ray  
(A. Bacci, gen. algorithm & laminar vel.bunch.)*

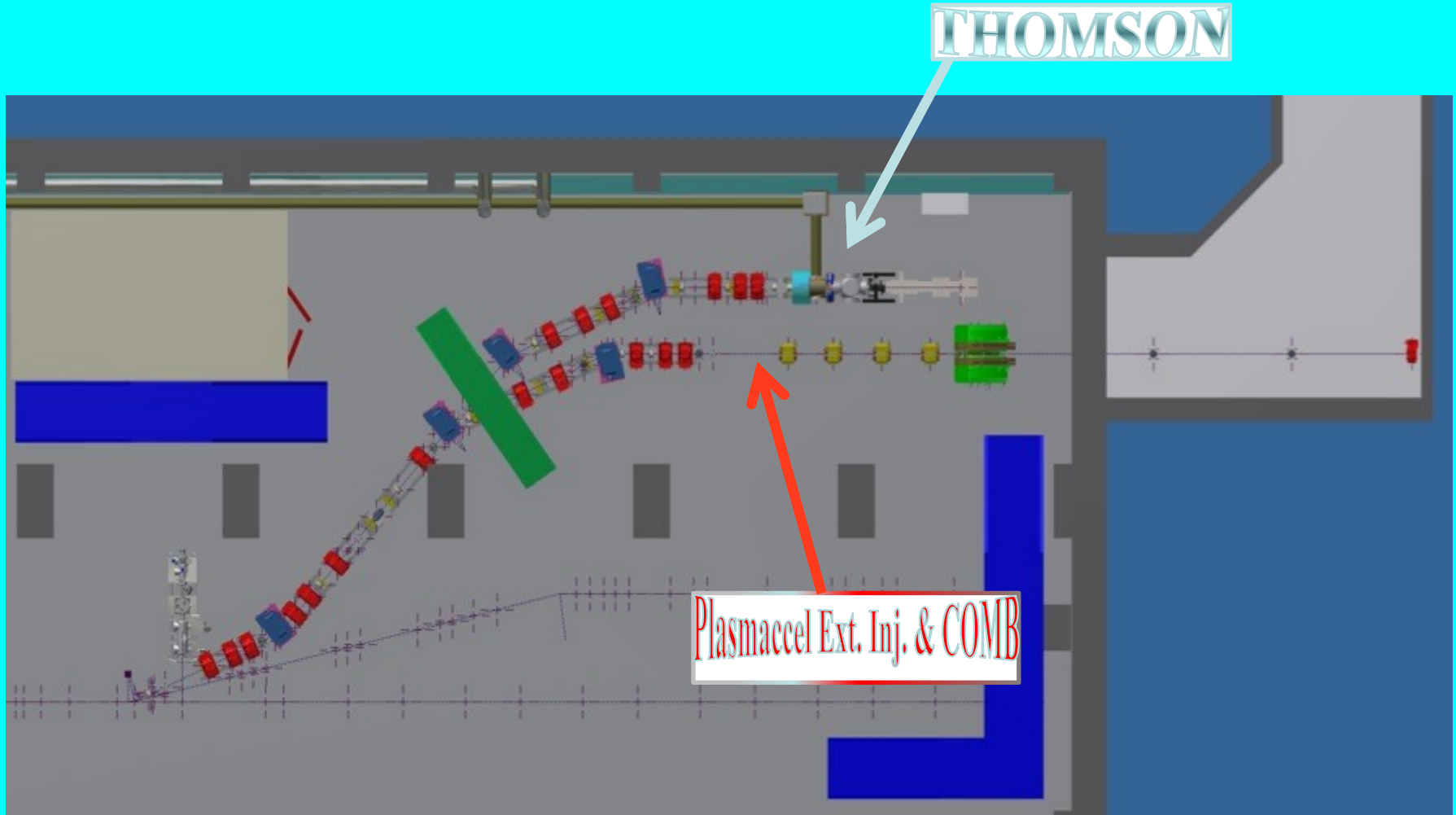
$$\sigma_t \cong 0.9 \text{ fs } (0.28 \text{ } \mu\text{m})$$

$$\text{Comp} \geq 100 !$$

$$\frac{\Delta\gamma}{\gamma} \approx 0.1\%$$

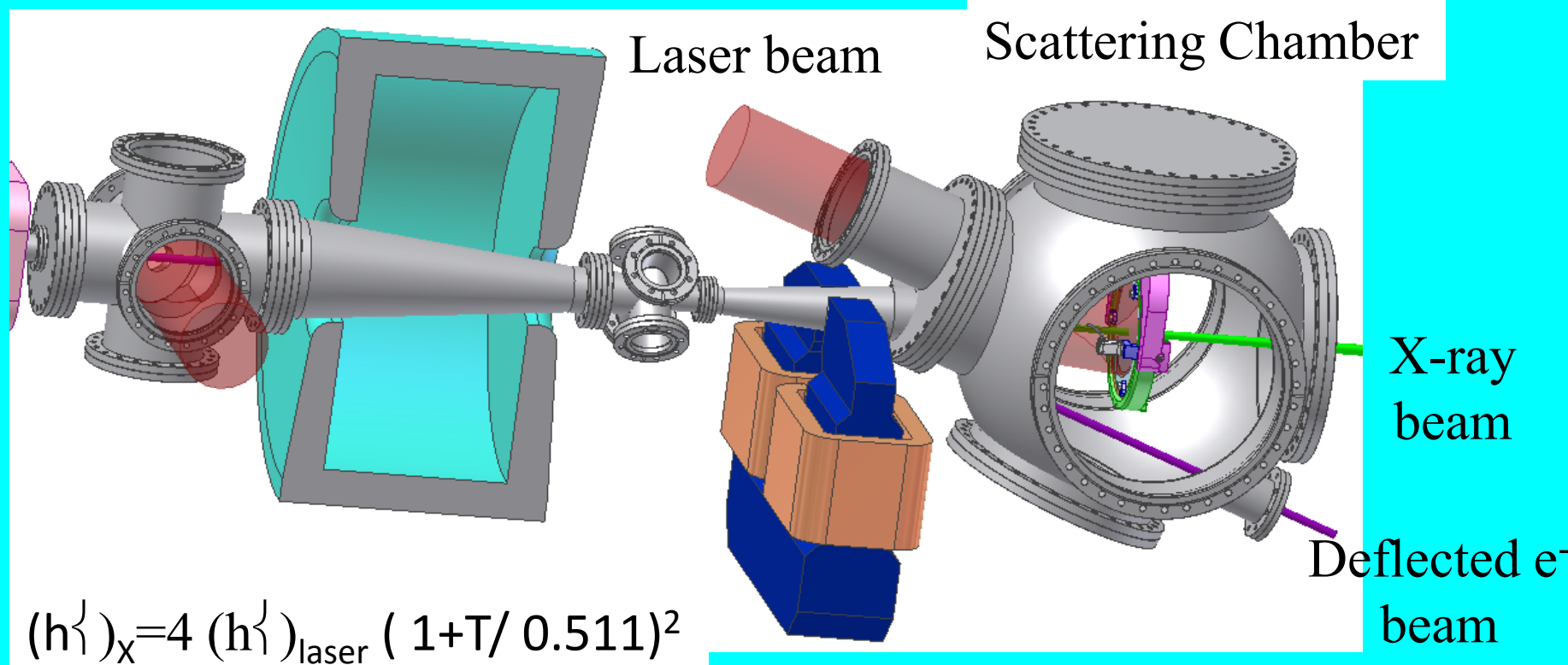


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# Thomson Source Interaction Region



$$(h\nu)_{\text{laser}} = 1.2 \text{ eV}$$

$$T = 30.28 \text{ MeV}$$

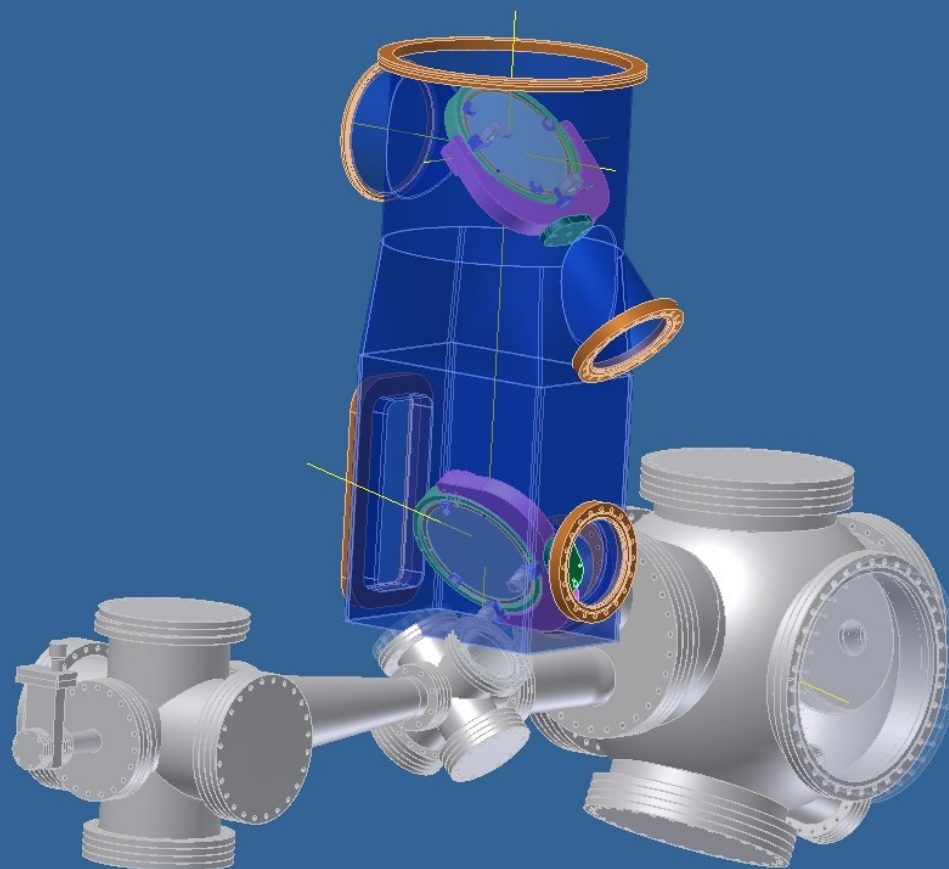
$$(h\nu)_X = 20 \text{ keV for mammography}$$

Laser pulse: 6 ps, 5 J

e<sup>-</sup> bunch: 1 nC, 12 μm (rms)

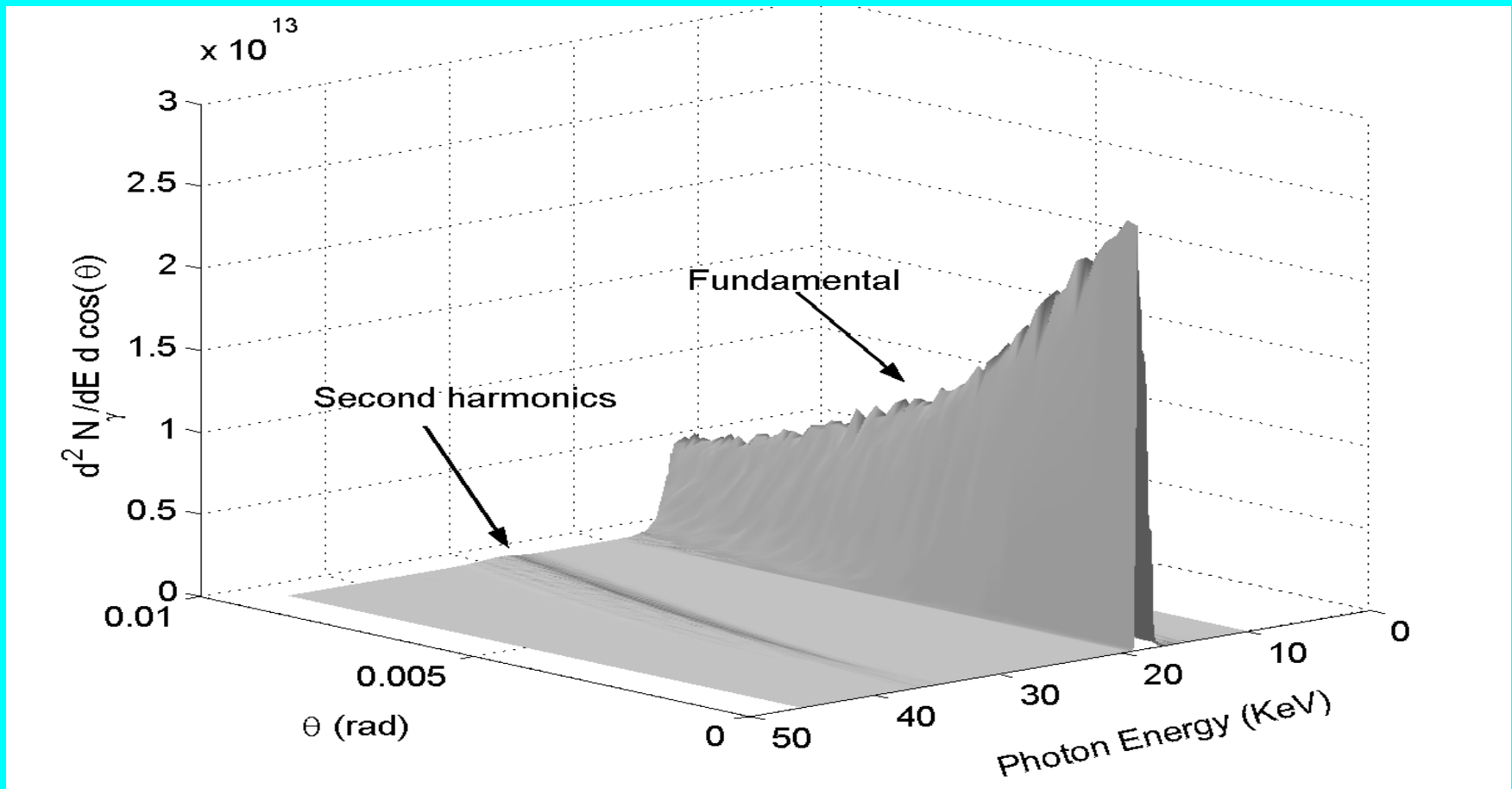
X-ray: 10 ps, 10<sup>9</sup> photons per shot

α emission: 12 mrad



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**Angular and spectral distribution of the TS radiation in the case of 3 ps laser pulse (12.5  $\mu\text{m}$  beam waist)  
Linear Thomson Scattering**



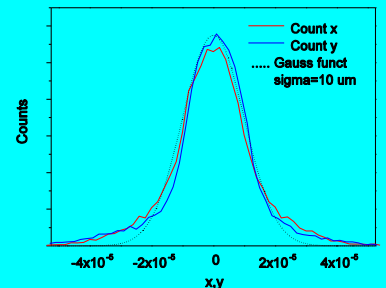
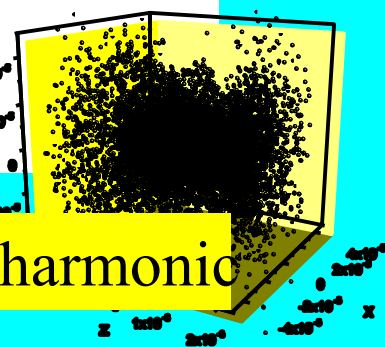
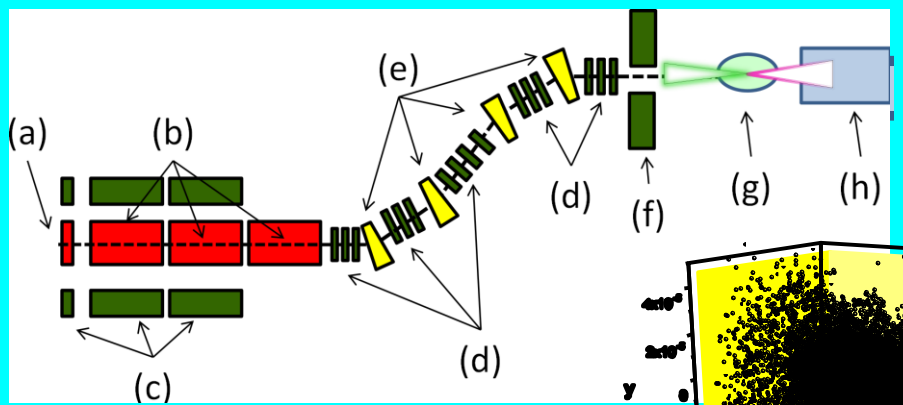
# SPARC beamline at 150 MeV for production of X rays at about 500 KeV

Electron beam in the focal spot:  $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 10 \mu\text{m}$

Laser parameters:

Emit. = 1.6 mm mrad  
 Energy = 150 MeV  
 En. spread = 0.08 MeV  
 Charge = 1 nC

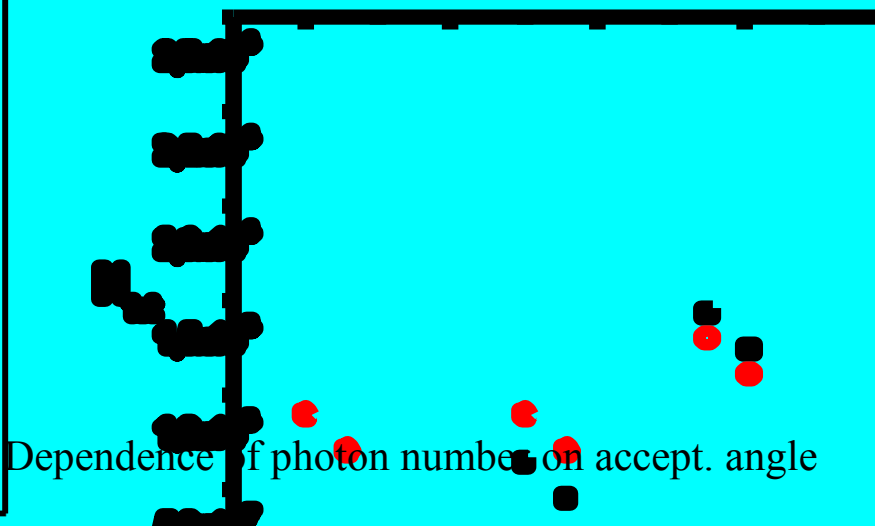
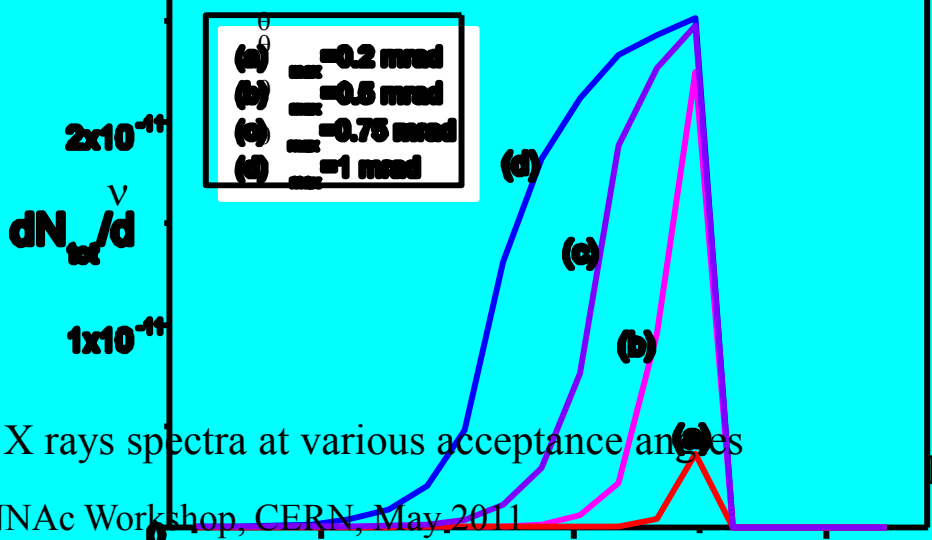
Lambda = 0.8  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Energy = 5J  
 Waist (diam) = 15  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Temp. Duration = 6ps



Option for 1 MeV with 2° harmonic

Electron beam

Electron transverse width

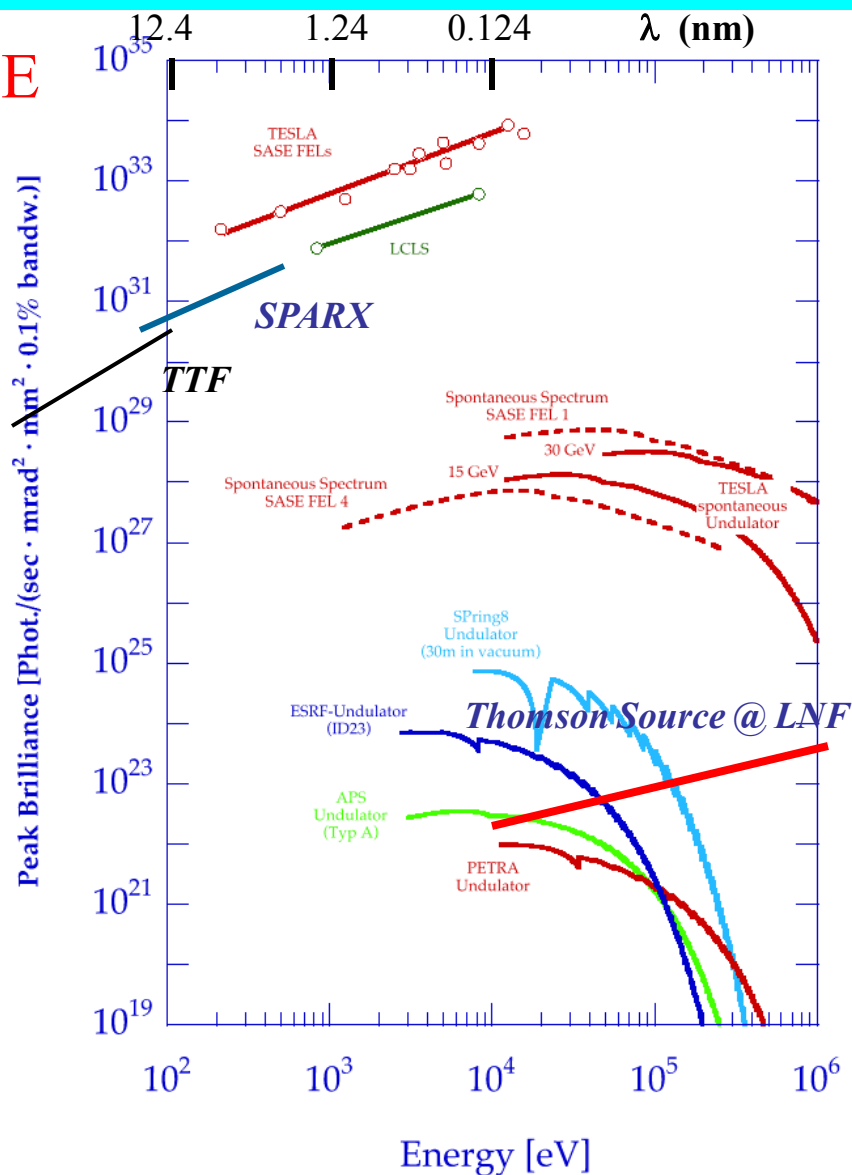


SASE-FELs will allow an unprecedented upgrade in Source Brilliance

Covering from the VUV to the 1 Å X-ray spectral range:  
new **Research Frontiers**

Compact Thomson Sources extend SR to hard X-ray range allowing  
Advanced Radiological Imaging **inside Hospitals**

FLAME



**Acquisition of beam transport lines (magnets and related hardware, mirrors, diagnostics, etc) is ongoing**

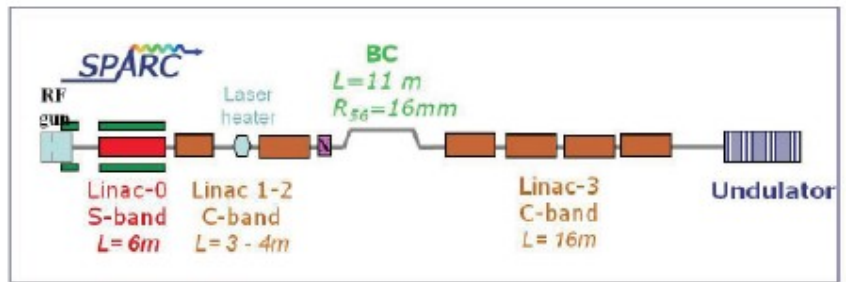
**We expect to install all hardware inside SPARC bunker by july 2011**

**Starting of Thomson Source commissioning in september 2011**



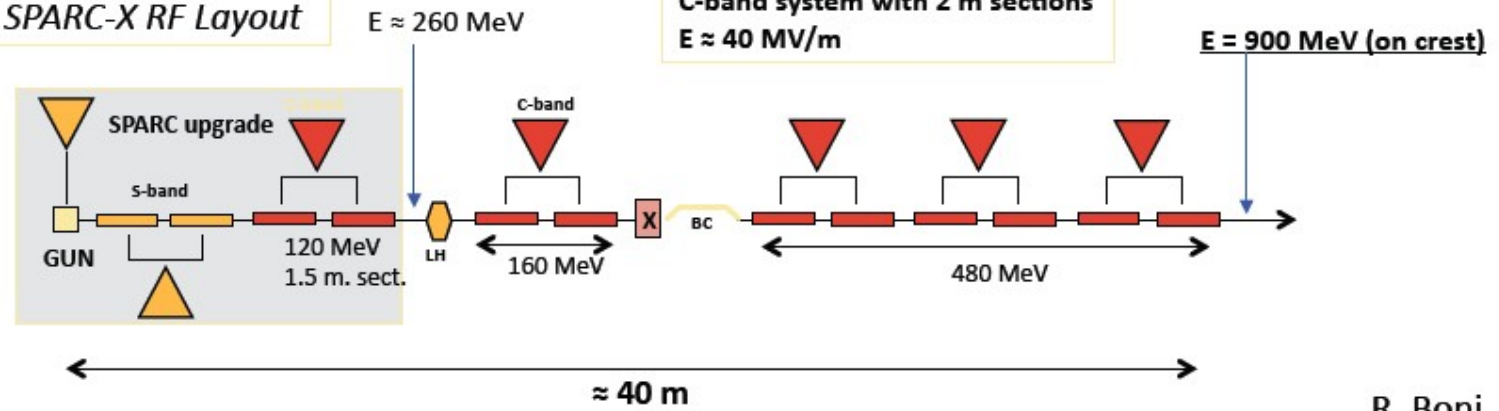
## SPARC-X, Energy upgrade to 750 MeV

Following the successful result of the prototype power test, an average C-band RF gradient of 40 MV/m can be considered for the SPARC energy upgrade to 750 MeV.



General layout of SPARC-X-750

### SPARC-X RF Layout



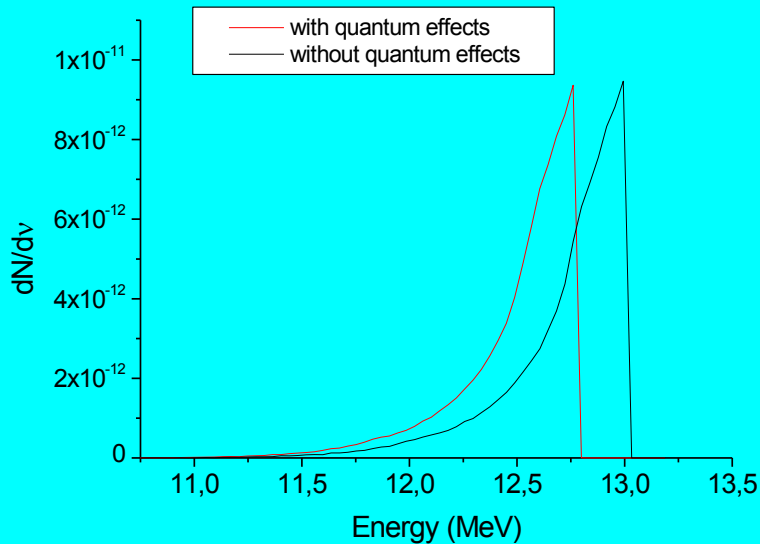
R. Boni

# Production of 13 MeV gamma rays

Spectrum for Acceptance angle=100 $\mu$ rad

Electron beam: Emittance=0.9 mm mrad,  
 $\sigma_x=4 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $\sigma_y=9 \mu\text{m}$   
 Energy= 750 MeV  
 Energy spread=0,225 MeV  
 Charge =1 nC

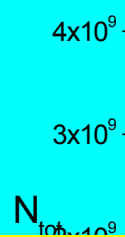
Laser parameters  
 Energy 5J  
 Waist(diam)=10  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Temp. Dur.= 6ps



Total photon number= $7,7 \cdot 10^8$

Bandwidth=2,1%

Spectr. dens. =  $3 \cdot 10^4$  ph/sec·eV



*Aiming at spectral density of  $10^4$ - $10^5$  ph/eV/sec  
 for nuclear photonics  
 best of brehmstrahlung sources is 1 ph/eV/sec*

Total number vs beam transverse dimension

## CONCLUSIONS

- **Thomson Source of mono-chromatic X-rays at high (peak) brilliance by 2011 at INFN-LNF, tunable within 20-500 keV. Upgrade to 2.8 MeV feasible in 2013 after SPARC upgrade to 250 MeV (2012).**
- **Acceleration of externally injected fs-class SPARC electron bunches into weakly non-linear plasma waves up to 1-2 GeV with FEL-class brightness/quality (2013)**
- **Possible Upgrade of SPARC up to 750-900 MeV by 2016 -> FEL program, PWFA (COMB) experiments, Compton Source of 5-18 MeV  $\gamma$ -Ray at  $10^4$ - $10^5$  ph/eV/sec ( $10^{-2}$ - $10^{-3}$  bandwidth)**

