



**Laser cooling of stored bunched relativistic  
carbon ions at the ESR,  
using a novel tunable high repetition rate  
pulsed laser system**

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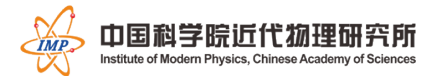
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➤ **SIS100 laser cooling work package**

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# Motivation for laser cooling

- interdisciplinary
  - accelerator, atomic research and laser physics
- fundamental aspects of very cold ion beams
  - coupling, ordering
- advantages of cold ion beams
  - low momentum spread, low emittance, short bunches
- worldwide unique @ SIS100
  - opportunity: laser spectroscopy
    - find transition, measure transition precisely

we do not aim for crystalline ion beams  
nor for transverse cooling!

# Historical background of laser cooling in accelerators

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**First Laser Cooling of Relativistic Ions in a Storage Ring**

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**Laser Cooling of a Stored Ion Beam to 1 mK**

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**“White-light” Laser Cooling of a Fast Stored Ion Beam**

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**Laser cooling of relativistic heavy-ion beams for FAIR**

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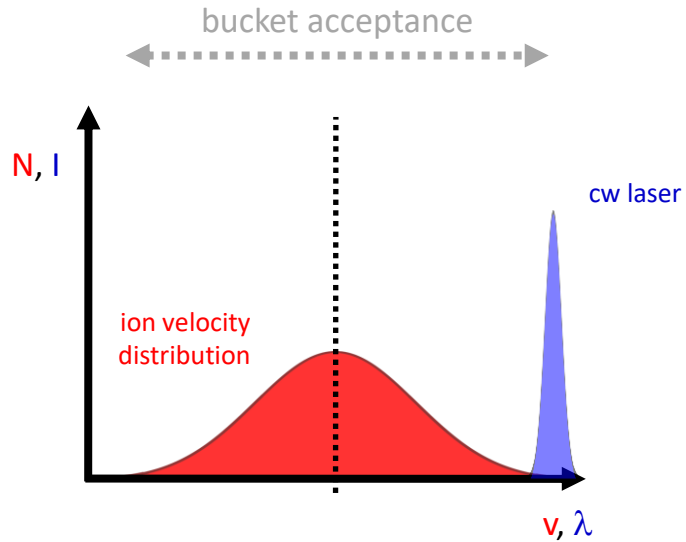
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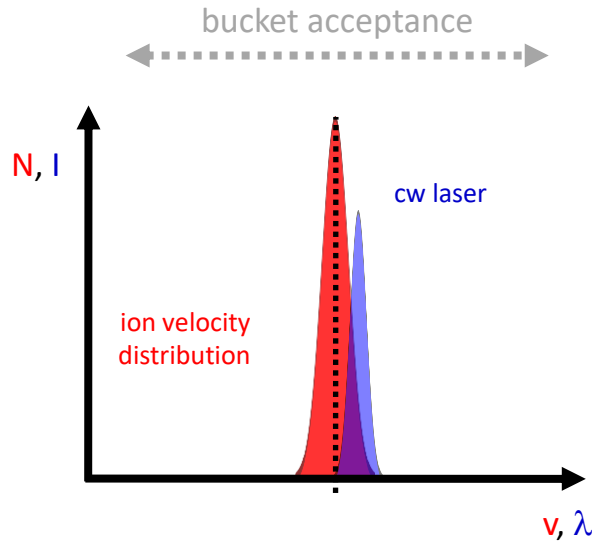
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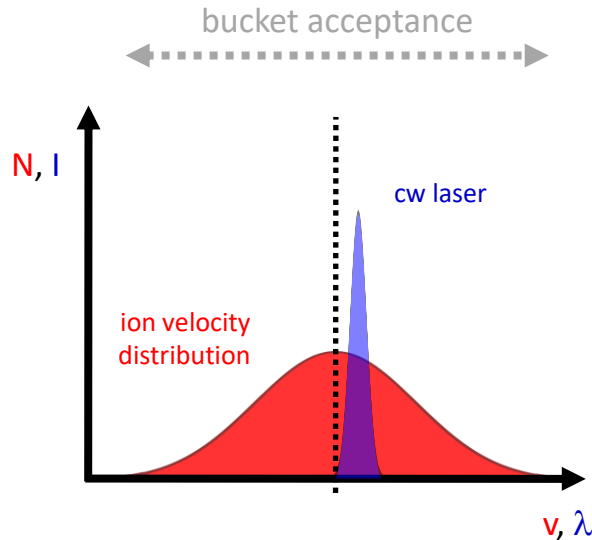


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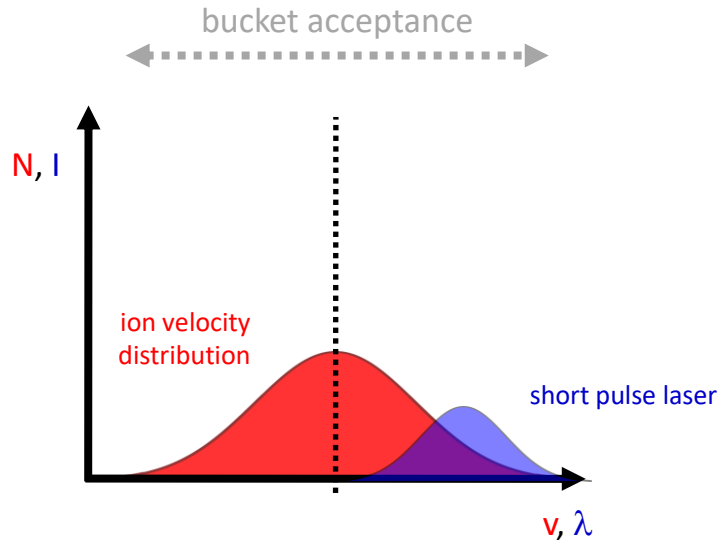
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beam dynamics or collective effects could broaden the ion velocity distribution

- new laser scan needed!

– cw laser does not interact with all ions simultaneously

# Laser cooling of relativistic ions



width of laser force:  $\sigma_{laser} \propto \frac{1}{\tau_{pulse}}$

lowest attainable momentum spread:  $\frac{\Delta p}{p} \propto \sigma_{laser}$

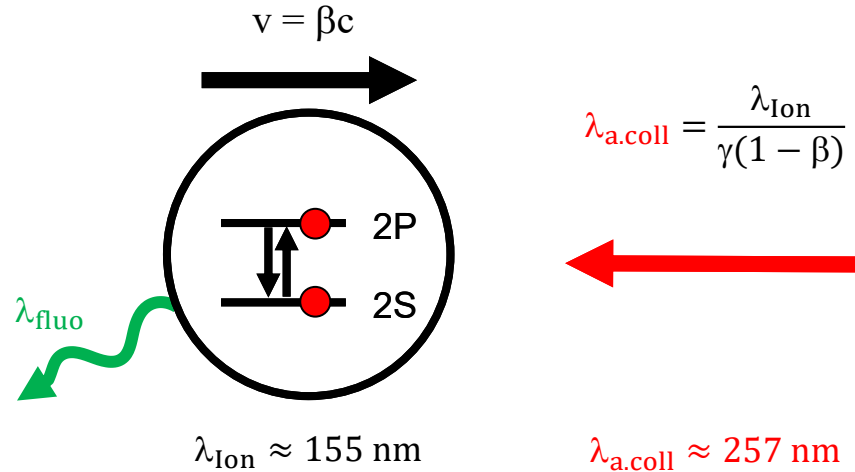
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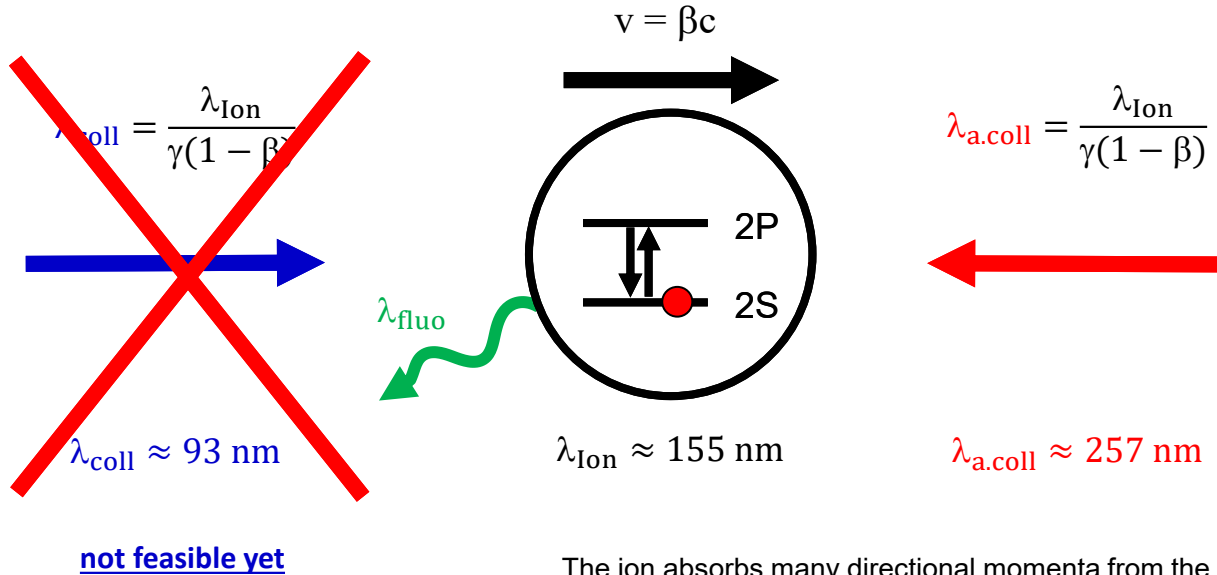


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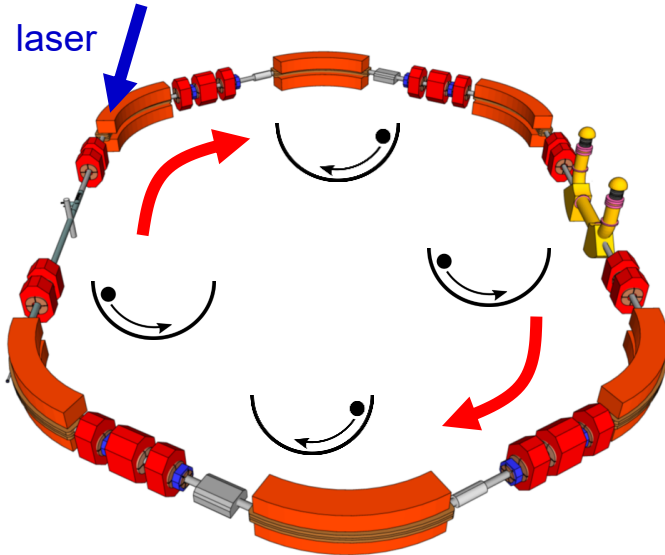
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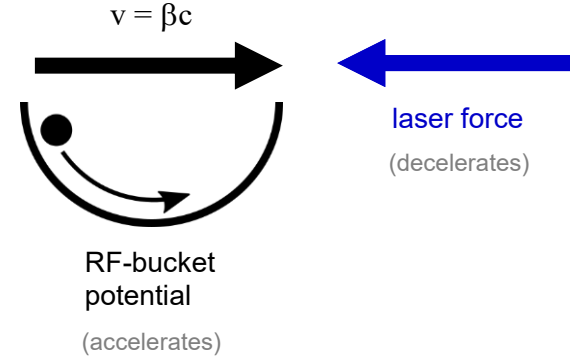
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# Counteracting RF-Bunching vs. laser force

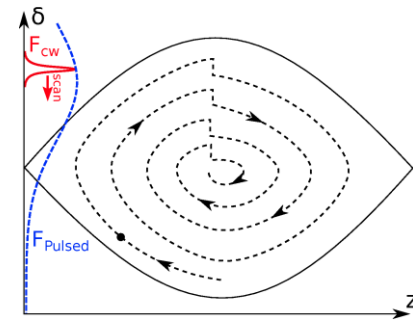
$$f_{\text{bunching}} = h \cdot f_{\text{rev}} \rightarrow h \text{ bunches}$$



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➤ damping of synchrotron oscillations to the velocity dependent equilibrium

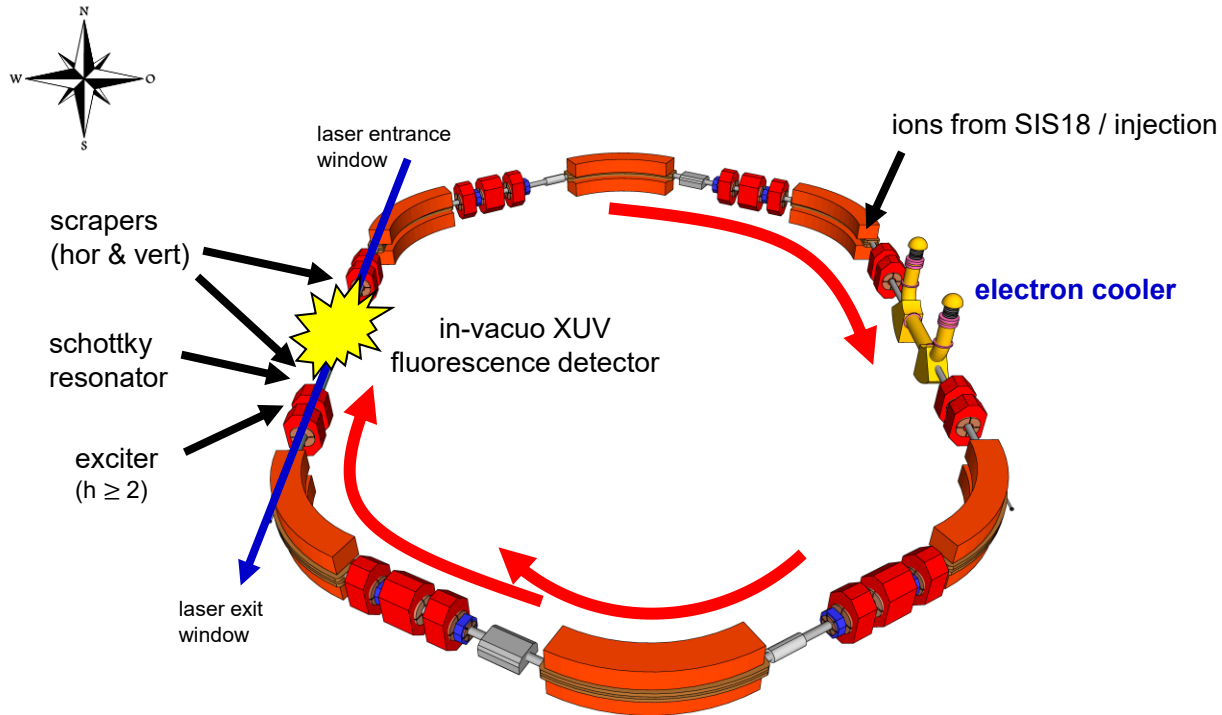


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# Experimental setup for laser cooling at the ESR

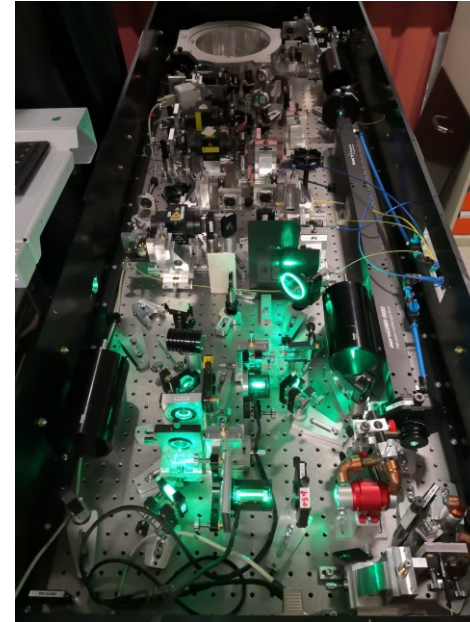
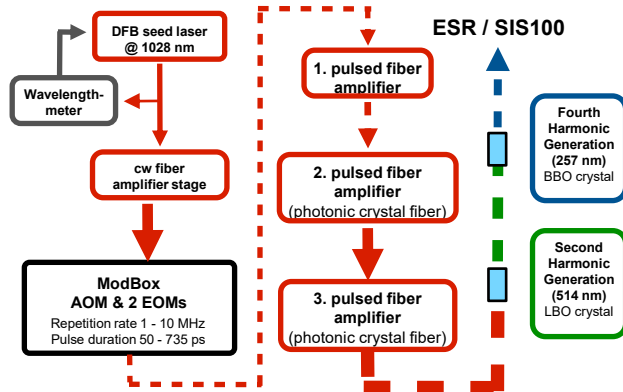


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# Long Pulse Laser System (TU Darmstadt)

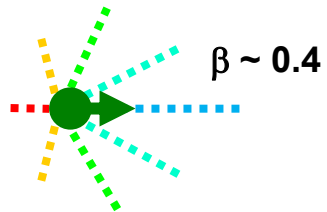
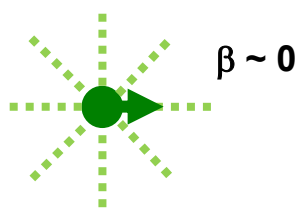
- tunable distributed feedback laser (DFB) as seed laser @ 1028 nm
- transform limited pulses with **1-10 MHz repetition rate** and **50-735 ps pulse duration**
- multi-stage pulsed fiber amplifiers to generate up to **60 W average IR power**
- two single pass stages to generate **514 nm** and **257 nm**
- up to **4.1 W UV power** (115ps, 10 MHz) could be demonstrated



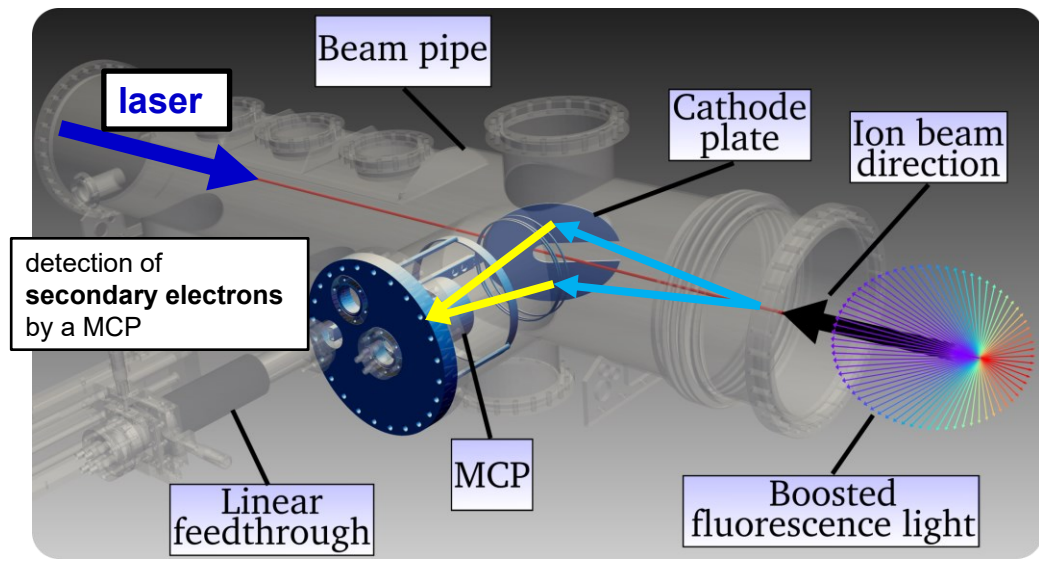
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➤ successful demonstration of the first broadband laser cooling at ESR during G-PAC approved ( $A^-$ ) experiment in 2021

# Moveable in-vacuo XUV fluorescence detection system



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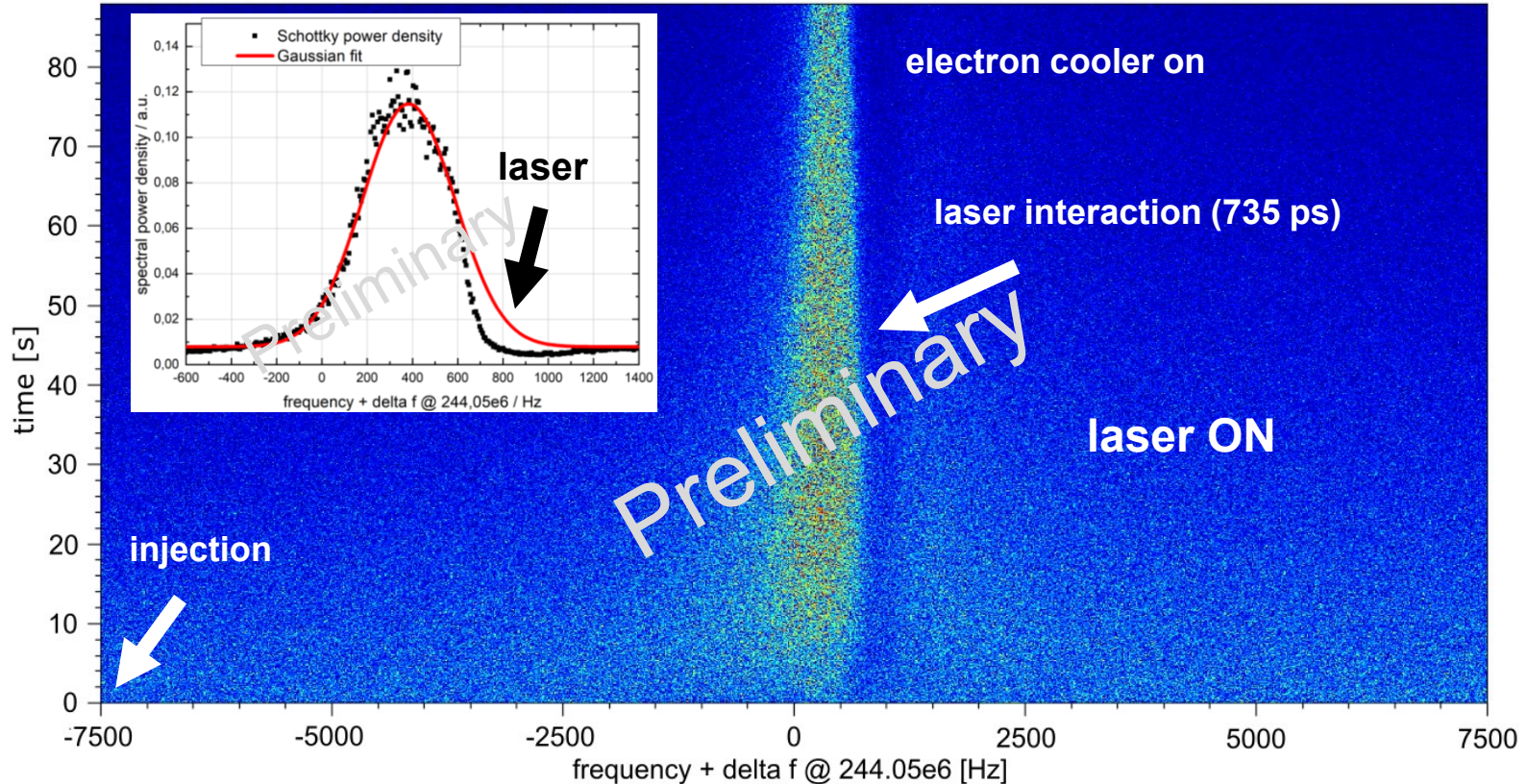
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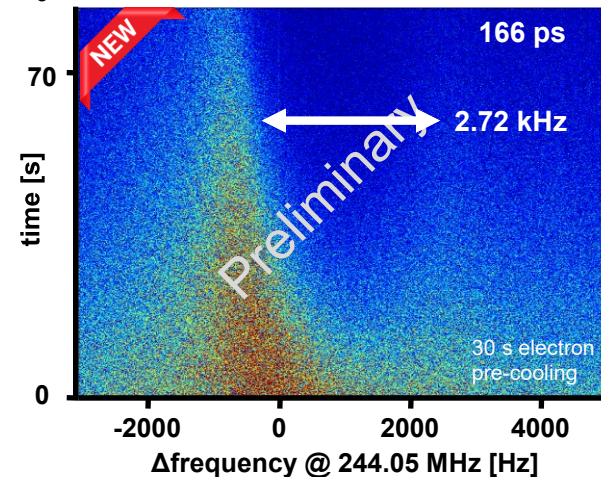
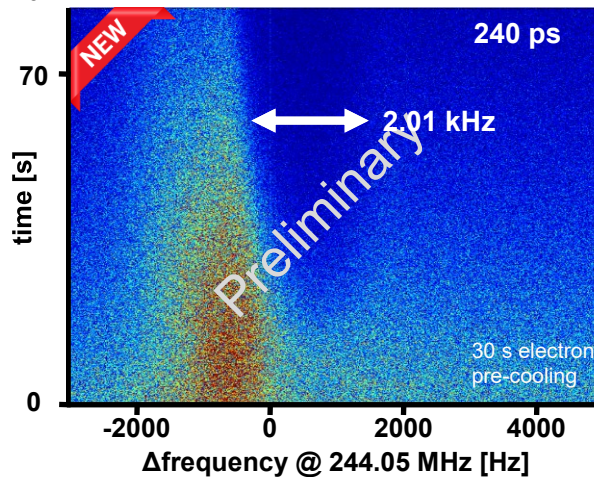
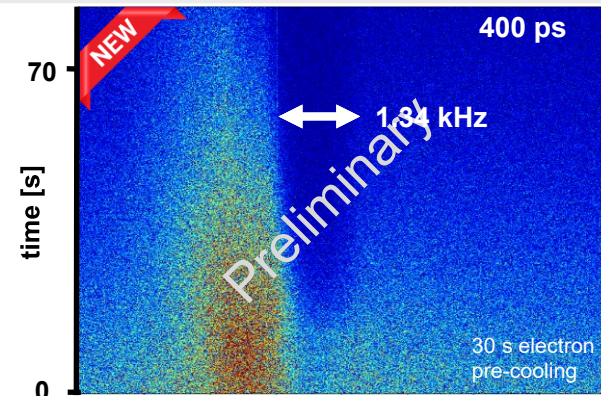
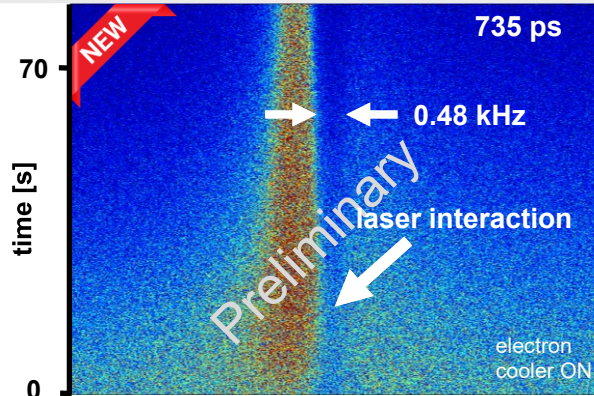
# coasting ion beam

# Coasting C<sup>3+</sup> ion beam - laser pulse interaction





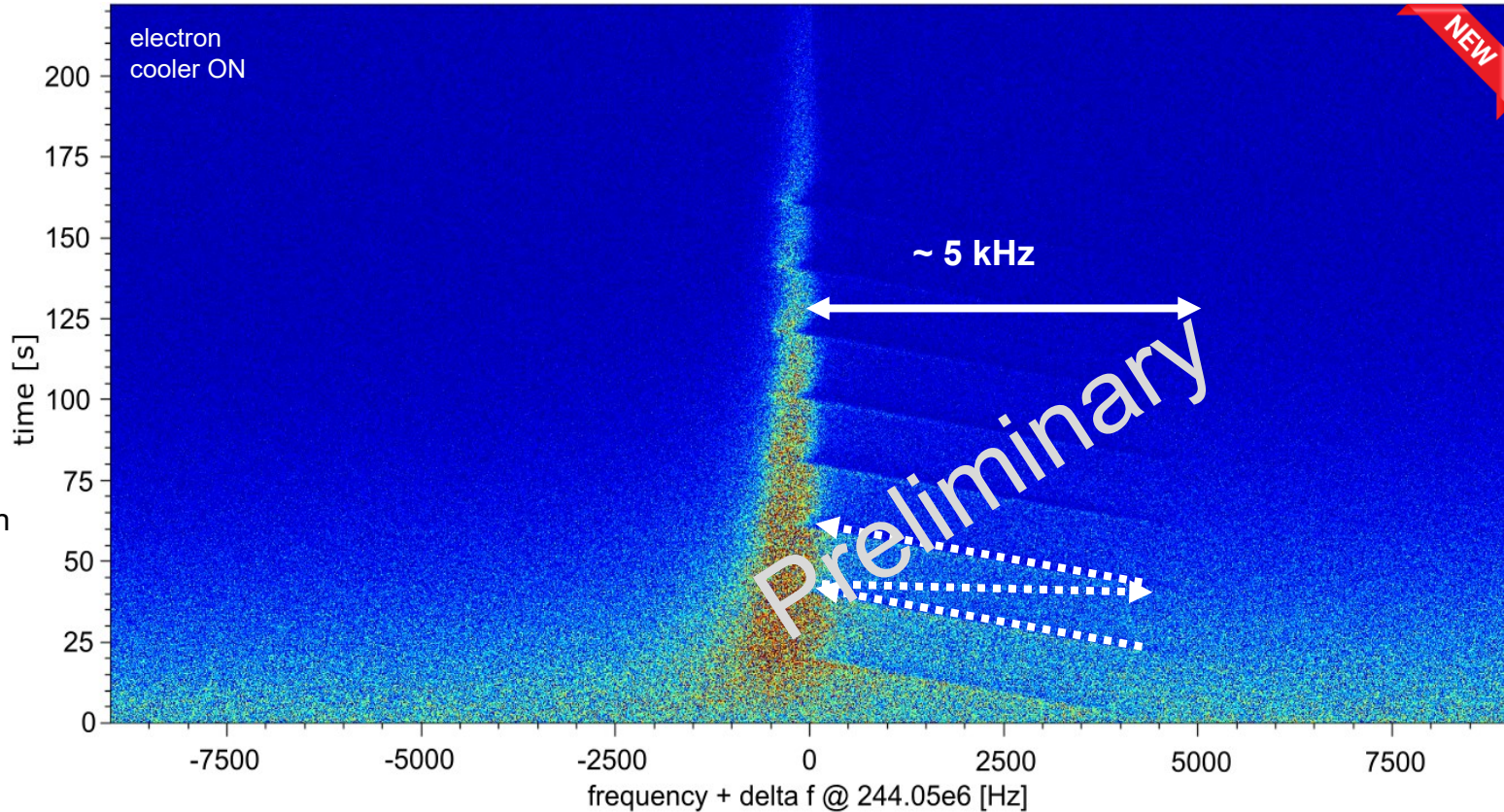
# Coasting $C^{3+}$ ion beam – effect of laser pulse duration



laser rep. rate:  
~ 9 MHz

schottky images  
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# Coasting C<sup>3+</sup> ion beam - sawtooth scan



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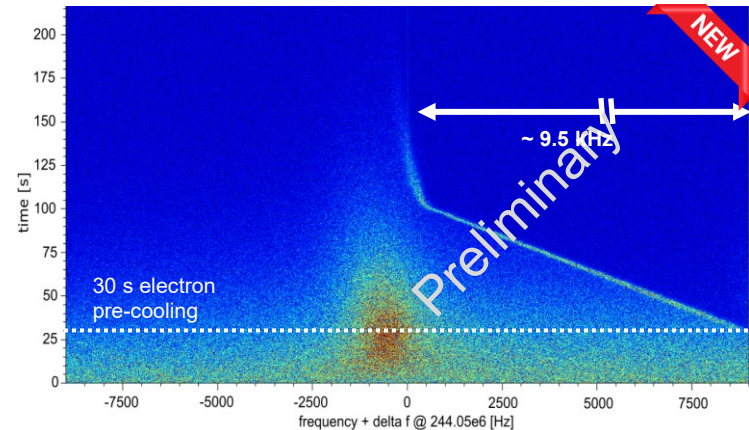
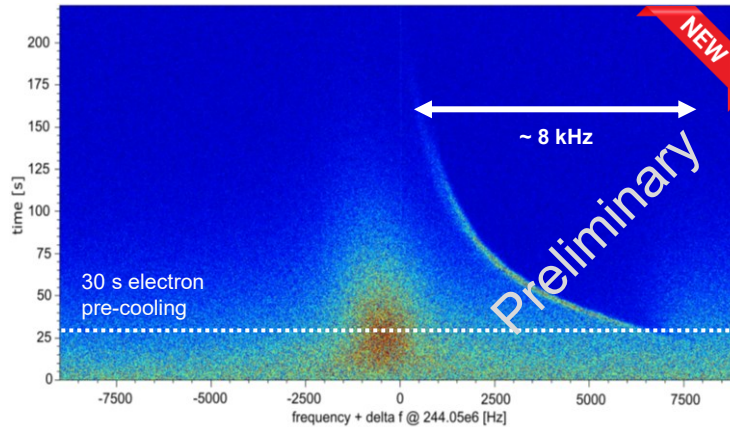
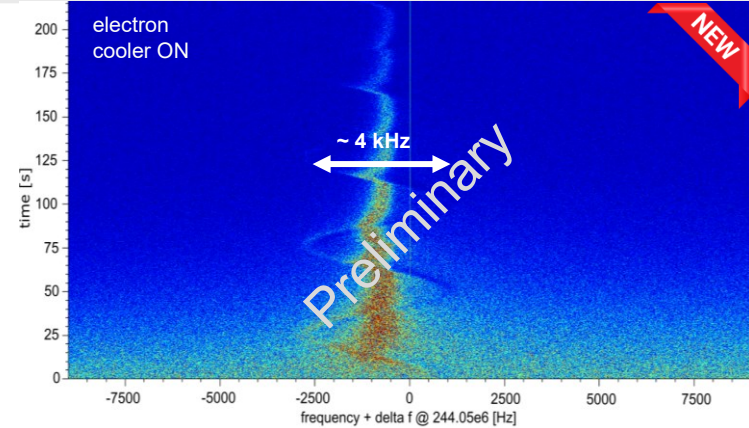
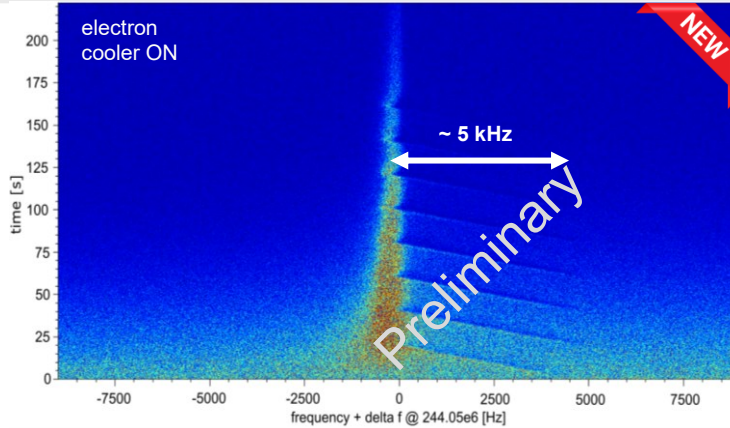


# Coasting $C^{3+}$ ion beam - different user defined laser scans

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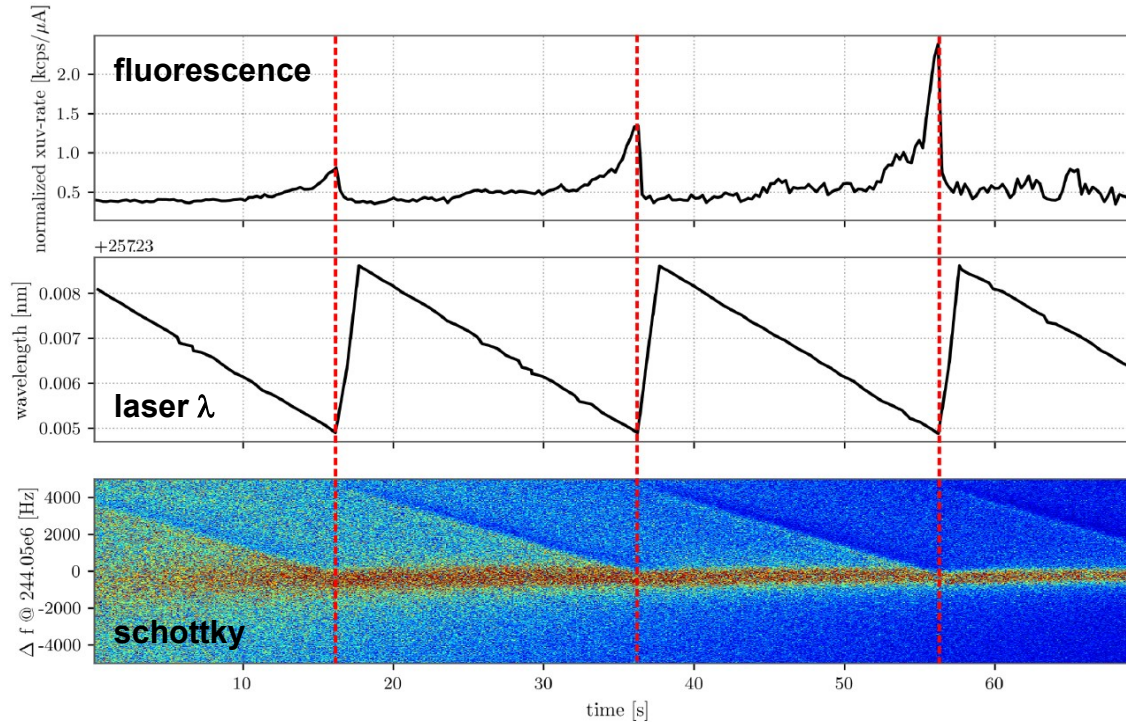
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# Fluorescence detection during sawtooth scan

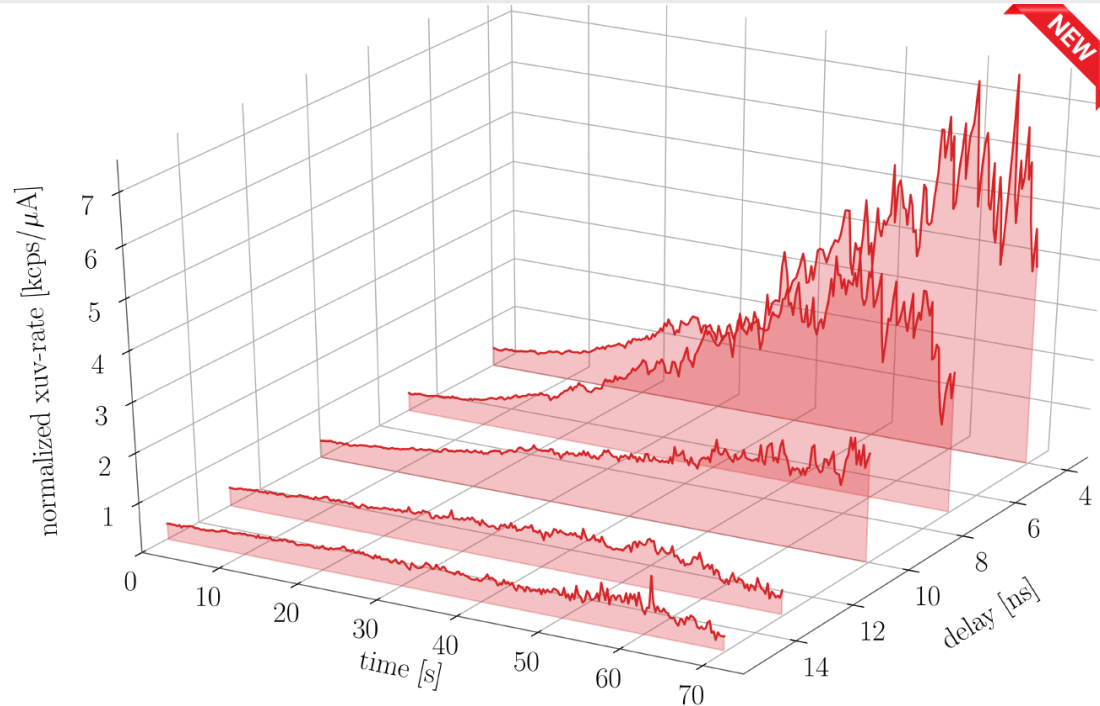


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**Figure 2.** Laser scans of an electron-cooled coasting ion beam of  $^{12}\text{C}^{3+}$  ions at the ESR plotted as a function of time. **Top:** the rate of the fluorescence photons detected by the XUV detector, **middle:** the laser wavelength, **bottom:** the Schottky spectrum.

**bunched ion beam**

# Laser pulse - ion bunch timing



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**Figure 3.** Fluorescence rate of  $^{12}\text{C}^{3+}$  ions plotted as a function of the delay of the laser pulses with respect to the ion bunches, as detected by the XUV detection system at the ESR. For these measurements, there were 7 ion bunches stored in the ESR, the repetition rate of the laser pulses was  $\sim 9$  MHz, and the laser wavelength was 257.235 nm.

## XUV Fluorescence Detection of Laser-Cooled Stored Relativistic Ions

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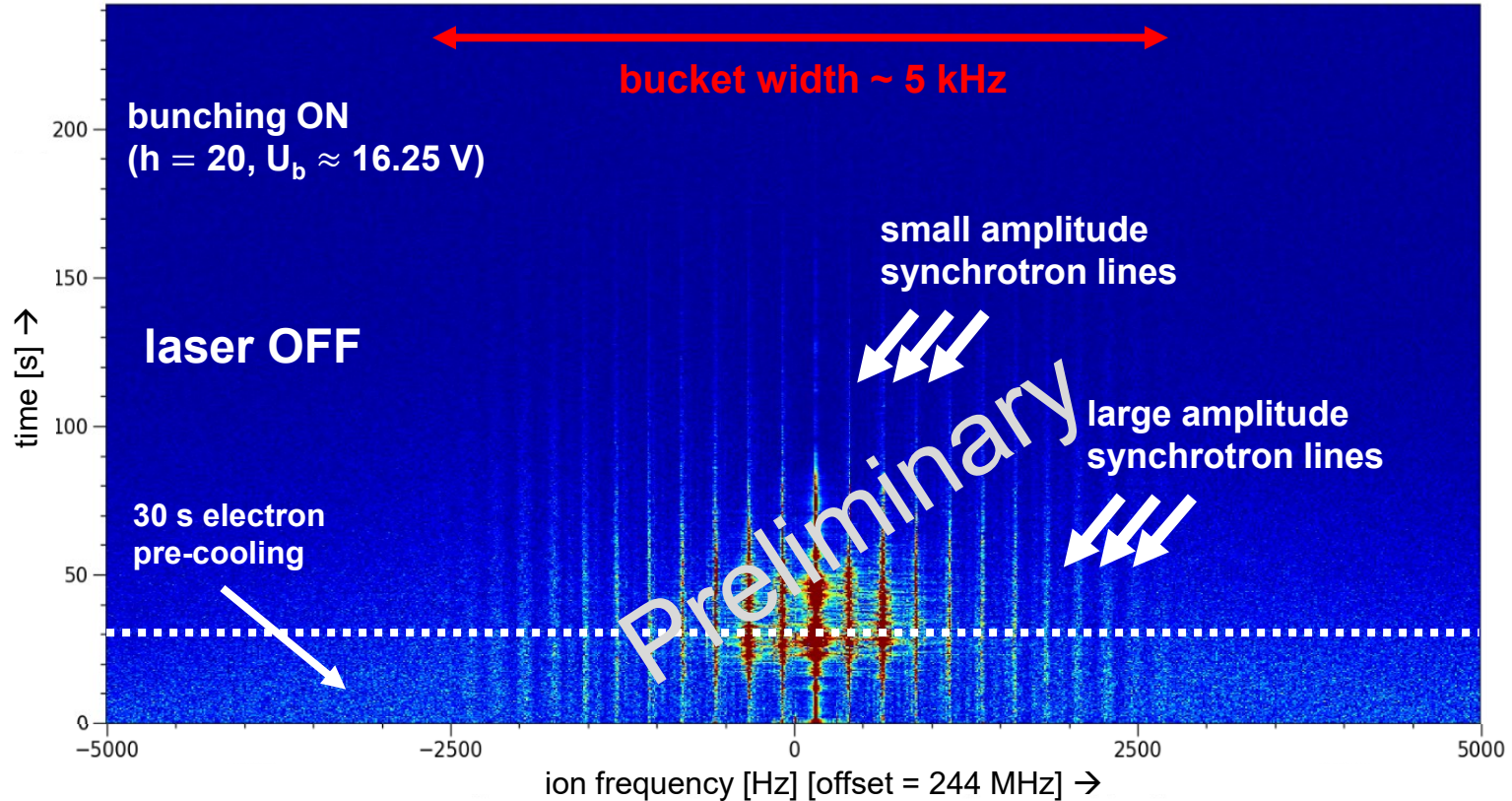
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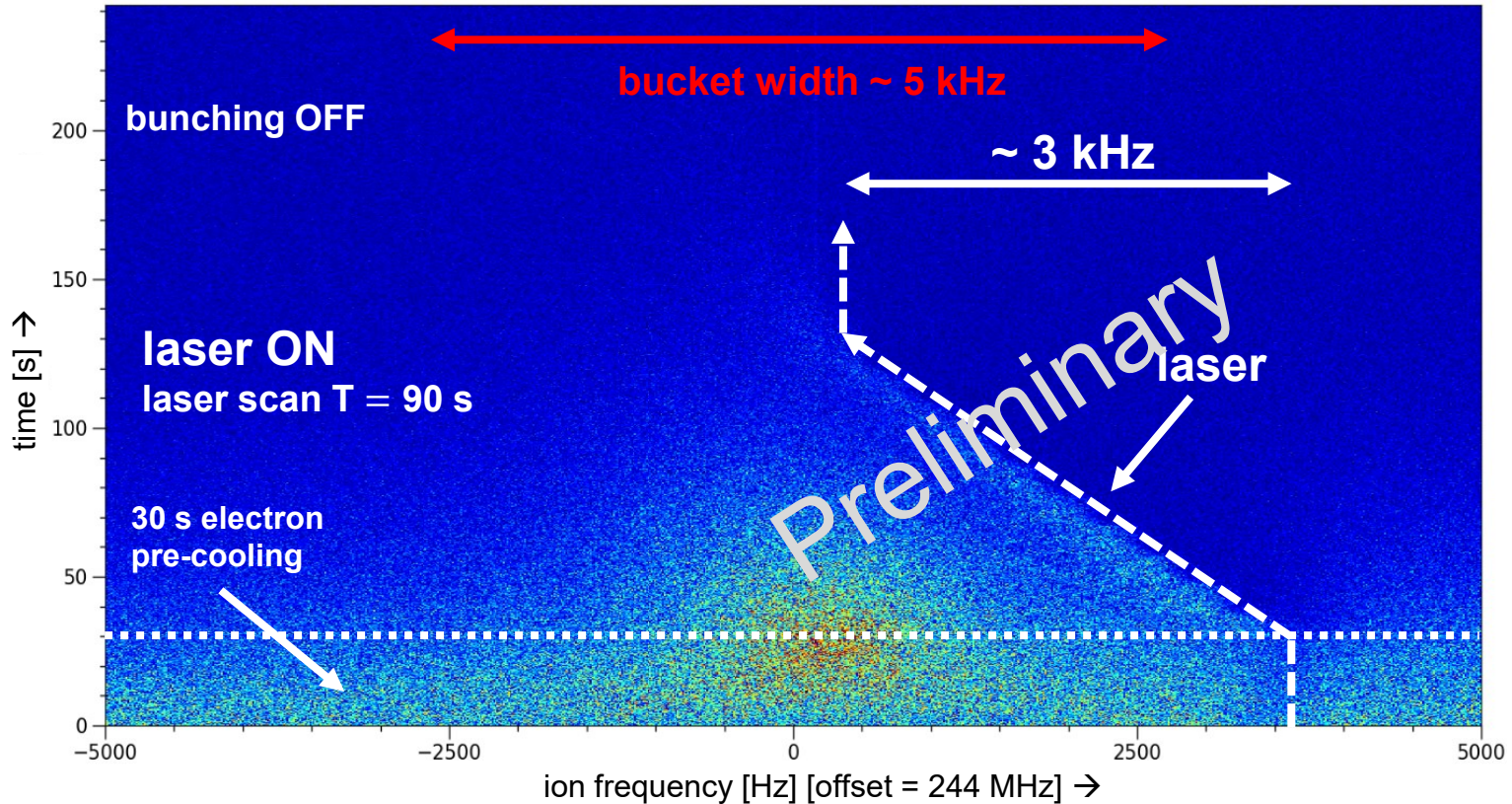
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# Bunched $C^{3+}$ ion beam



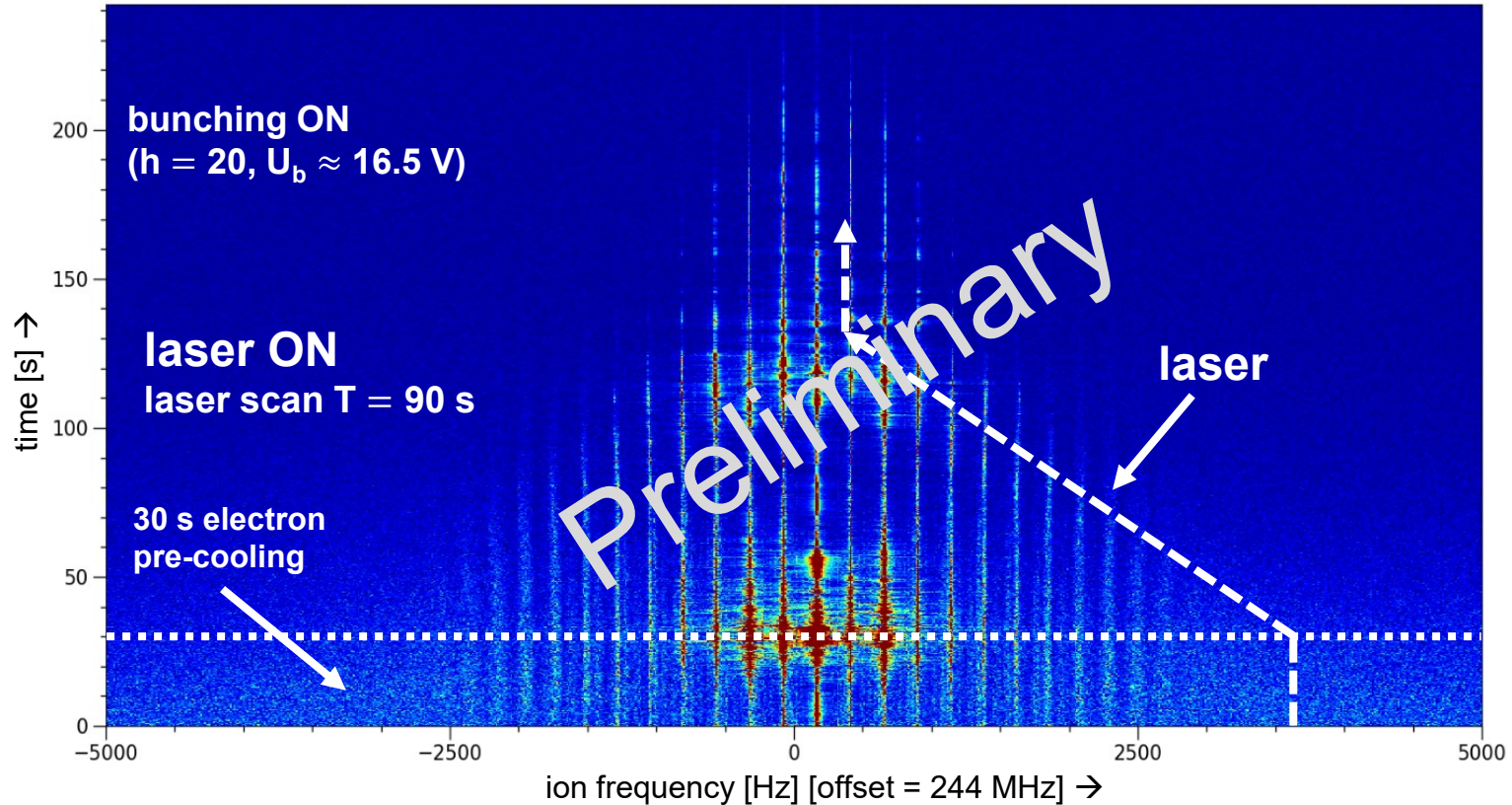


# Coasting $C^{3+}$ ion beam - 735 ps pulses, $\sim 9$ MHz repetition rate



# Broadband laser cooling of relativistic bunched $C^{3+}$ ion beams at the ESR

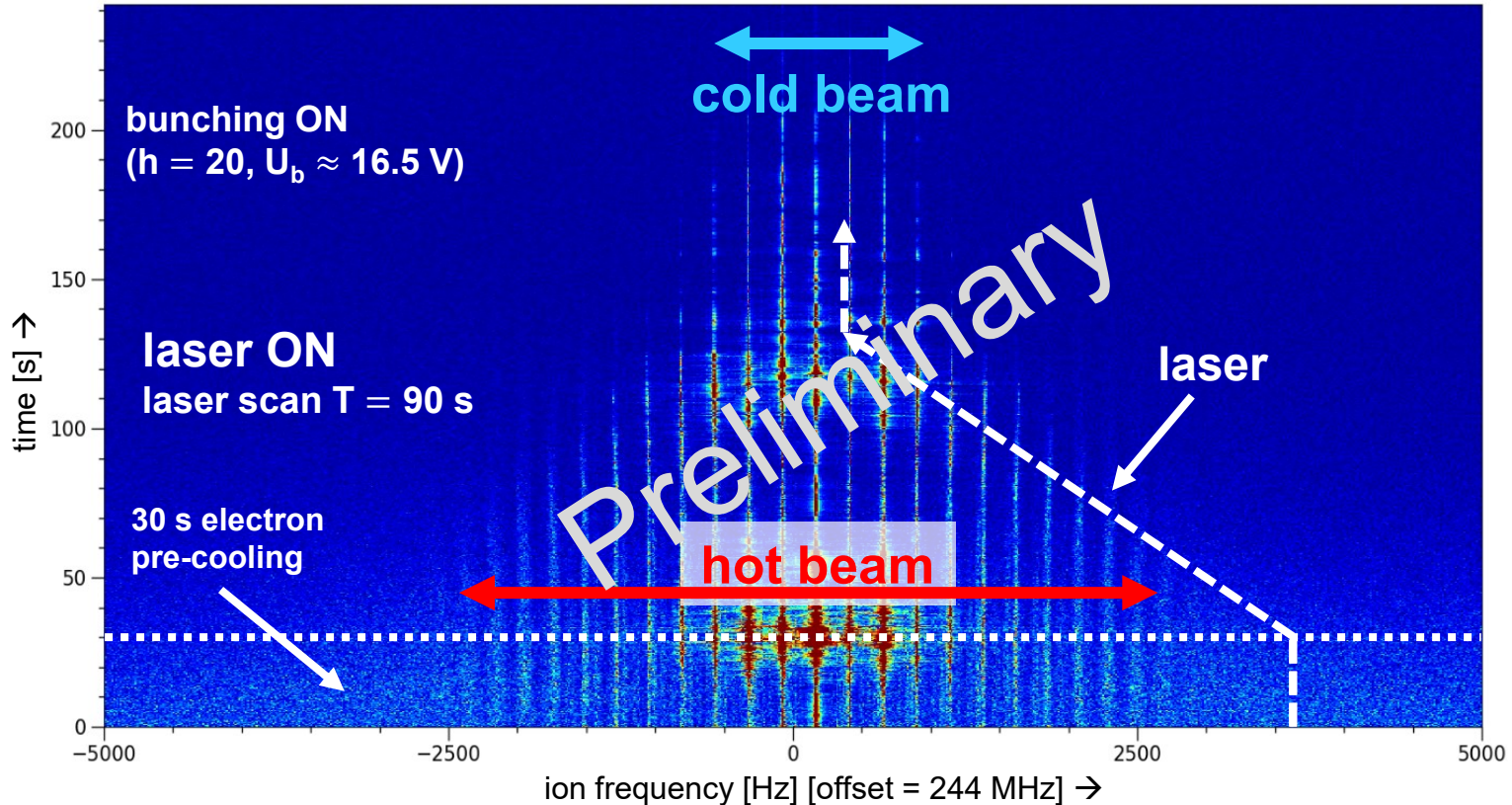
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# Outlook

- GSI: demonstrate '3 beam laser cooling' at the ESR

## GSI Research Proposal

**G-22-00172**

Experiment title:

**Exploring the limits of bunched beam laser cooling of relativistic stored ions, using 3 laser beams (pulsed and cw) and new diagnostics**

**Proposal type:**  
Standard (ST)

**Scientific College:**  
G-PAC

**GSI/G-PAC rating: A- (G-22-00172-1.1-E)**

- Darmstadt & Dresden have already applied for BMBF funding (Juli 2023)
- Code for laser cooling (by Lewin Eidam) will be updated and made suitable for more general use
- FAIR: establish the SIS100 laser cooling facility

