



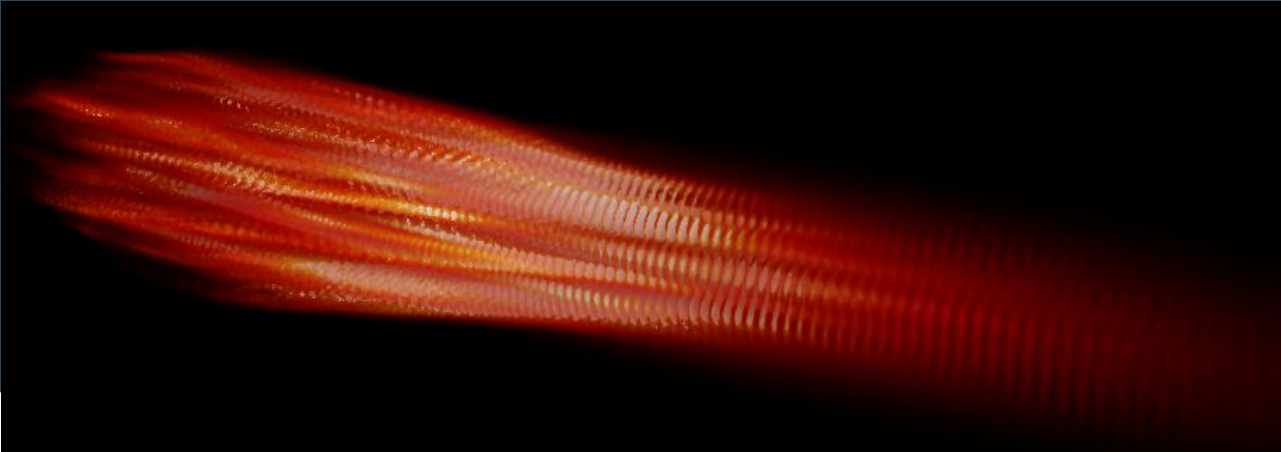
Filamentation in AWAKE

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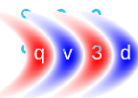
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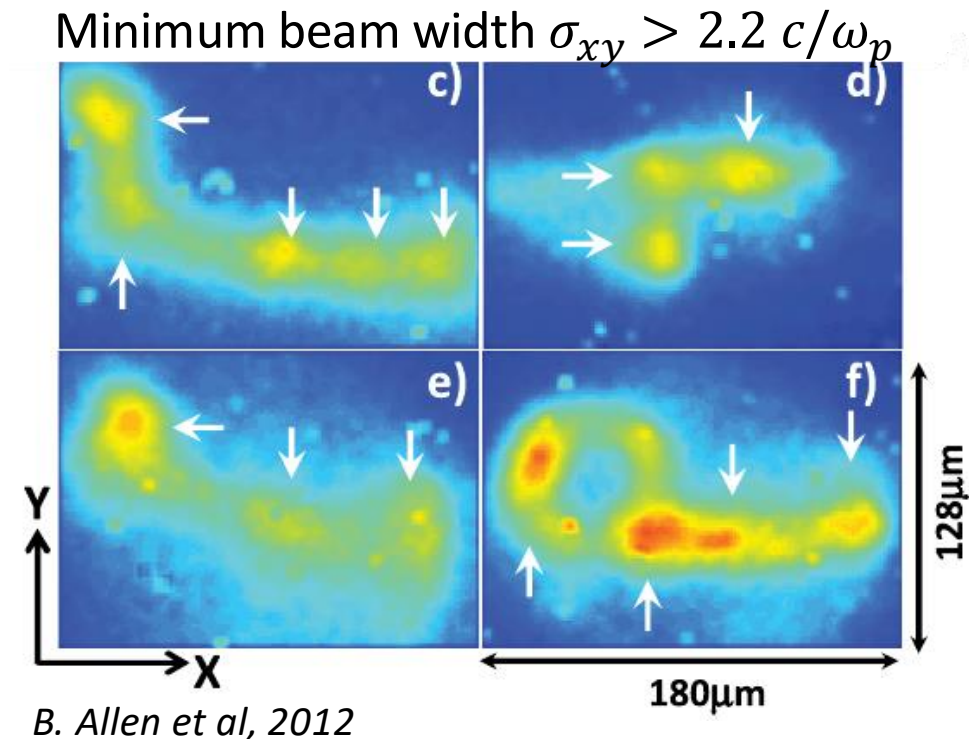
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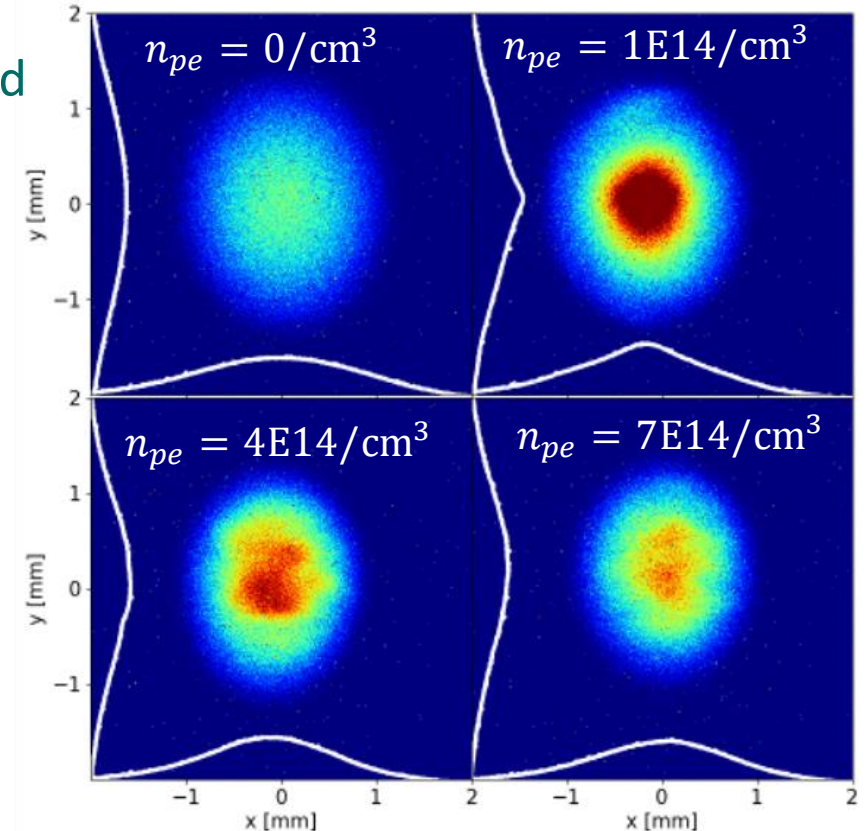
Introduction

Previous work

- Beam filamentation has been studied in previous experiments (B. Allan et al. 2012, F. Fiuza 2020, C. Zhang 2022)
- Some evidence of filamentation in previous AWAKE run 2ab
- Experimental study of filaments at AWAKE with DPS planned



AWAKE Run 2ab

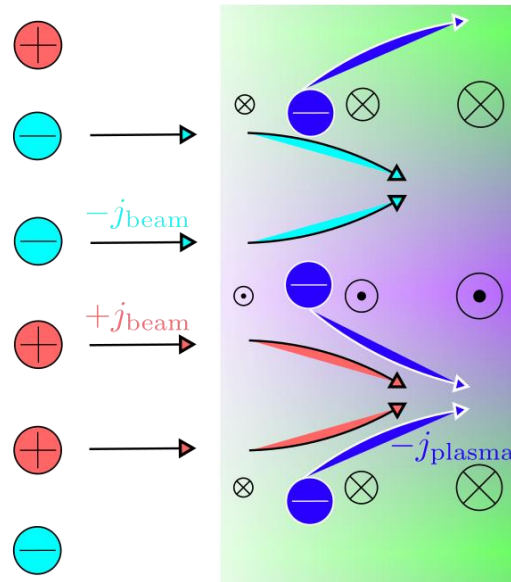


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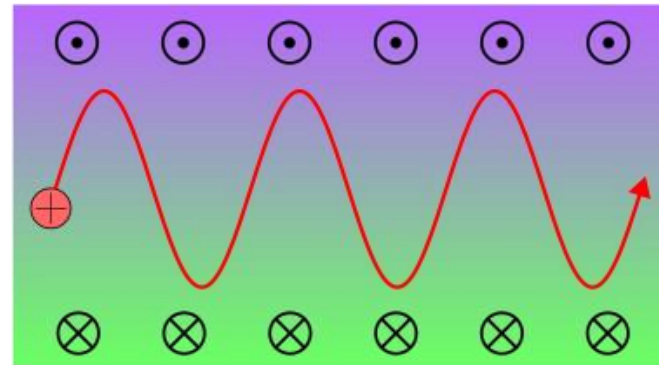
Introduction

Current Filamentation Instability (CFI) of Fireball - *B. D. Fried (1959)*

Mechanism



Saturation



- Transverse fireball beam particles separation
- Electromagnetic

- Magnetic trapping with

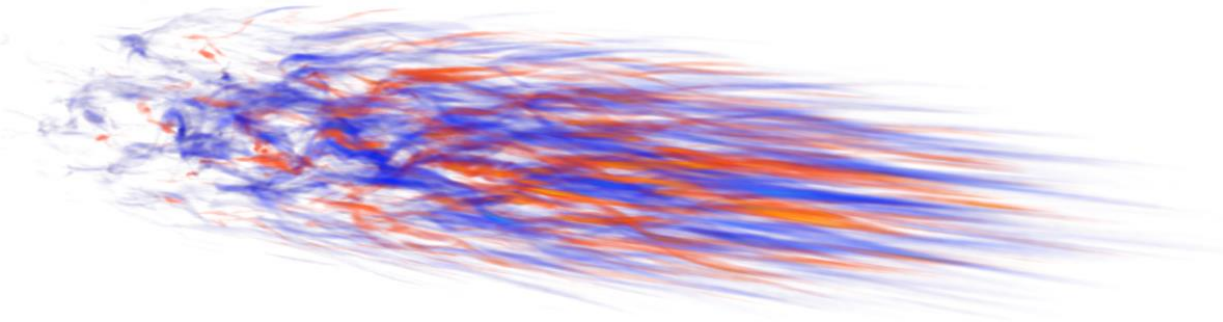
$$\omega \sim \Gamma_{CFI} \sim \sqrt{\frac{n_b/n_p}{\gamma M_b/m_e}} \omega_p$$
 (*R. Davidson 1972, A. Bret 2004*)
- **Filaments merge**

Goal

Observe spatial evolution of filamentation along proton beam.

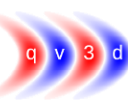
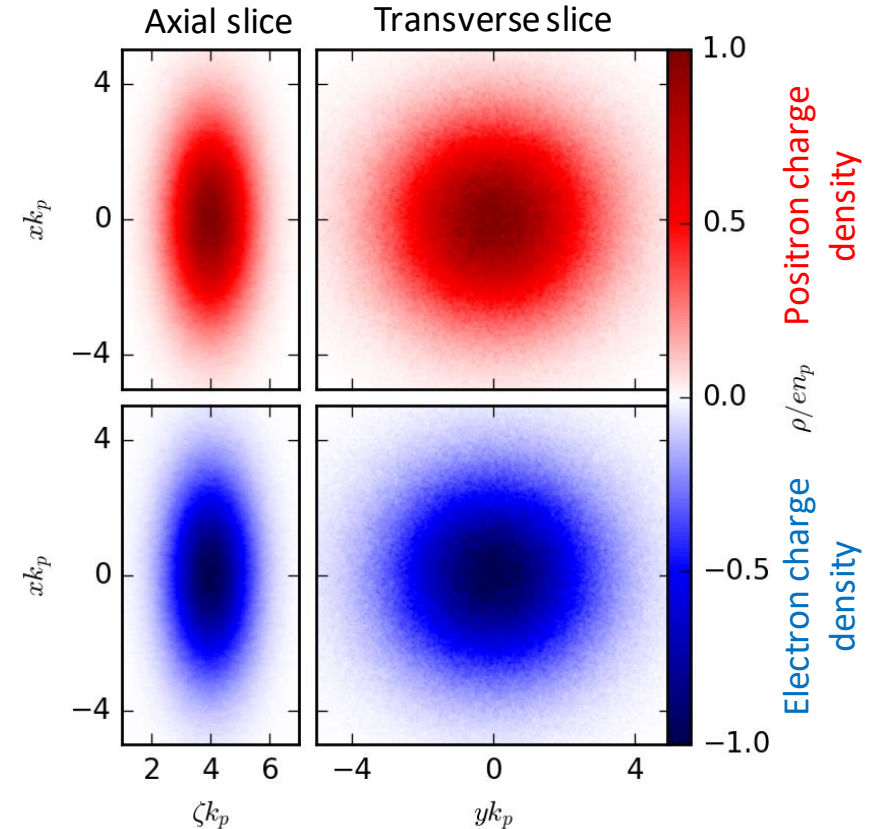
Compliment upcoming experimental results with simulations to deepen understanding

Fireball



Parameter	Fireball
Plasma wavelength	$64.3 \mu\text{m}$
Beam gamma	567.5
B. charge	2.92 nC
B. norm. emittance	$2.05 \mu\text{m}$
B. length	$1 - 14 c/\omega_p$
B. width	$2 c/\omega_p$
B. macroparticles	32E6
Spatial resol. ($\Delta\zeta, \Delta\perp$)	$(0.25, 0.5) c/\omega_p$
Prop. distance	$1400 c/\omega_p$

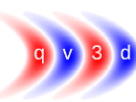
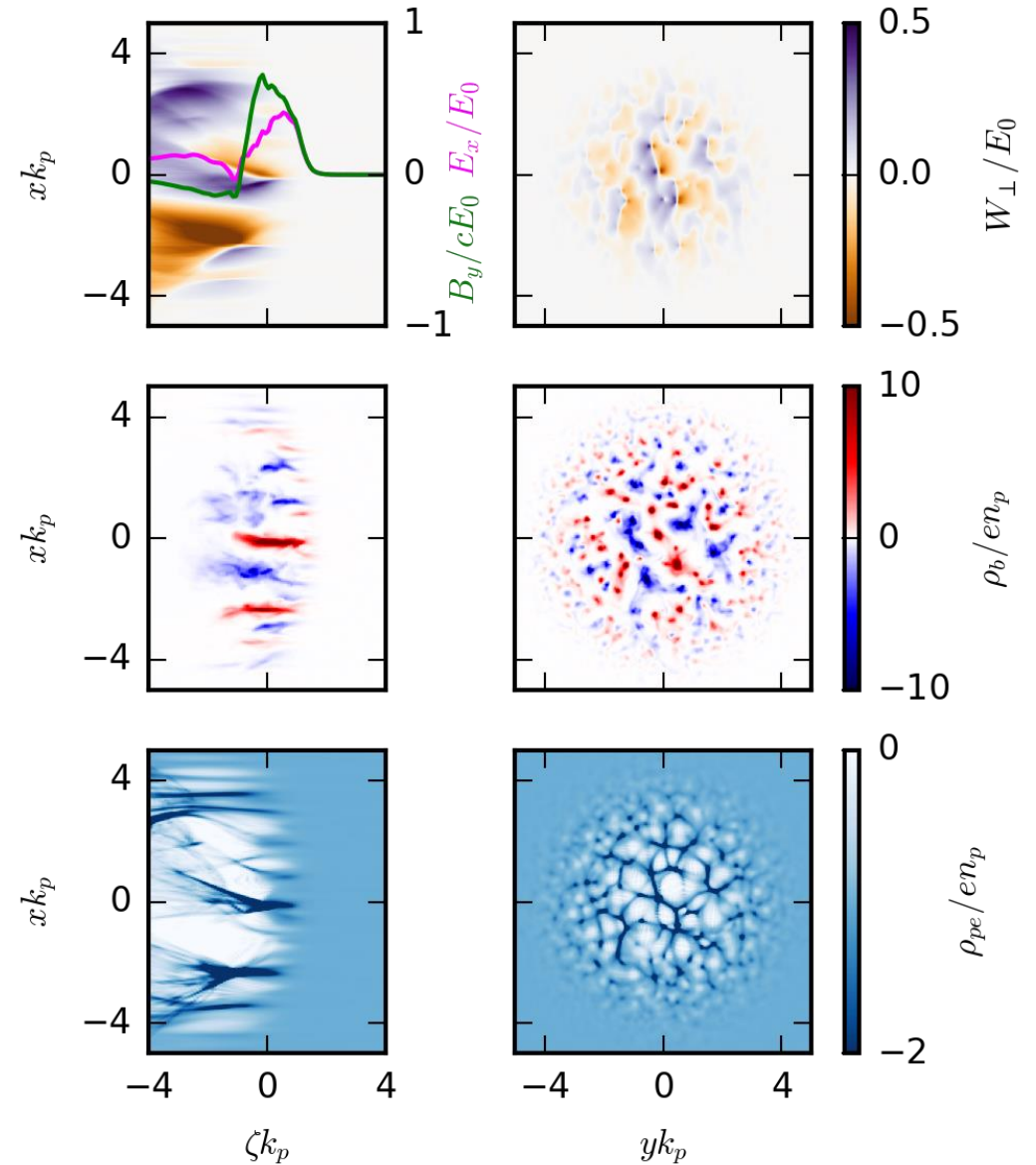
- Finite, quasineutral beam consisting of electrons and positrons
- Broadly studied (N. Shukla 2020, A. Spitkovsky 2008) model in gamma-ray burst research
- Convenient model for CFI studies (high growth rate, short beam)
- Expect same spectrum of instabilities compared to single species beam



Fireball

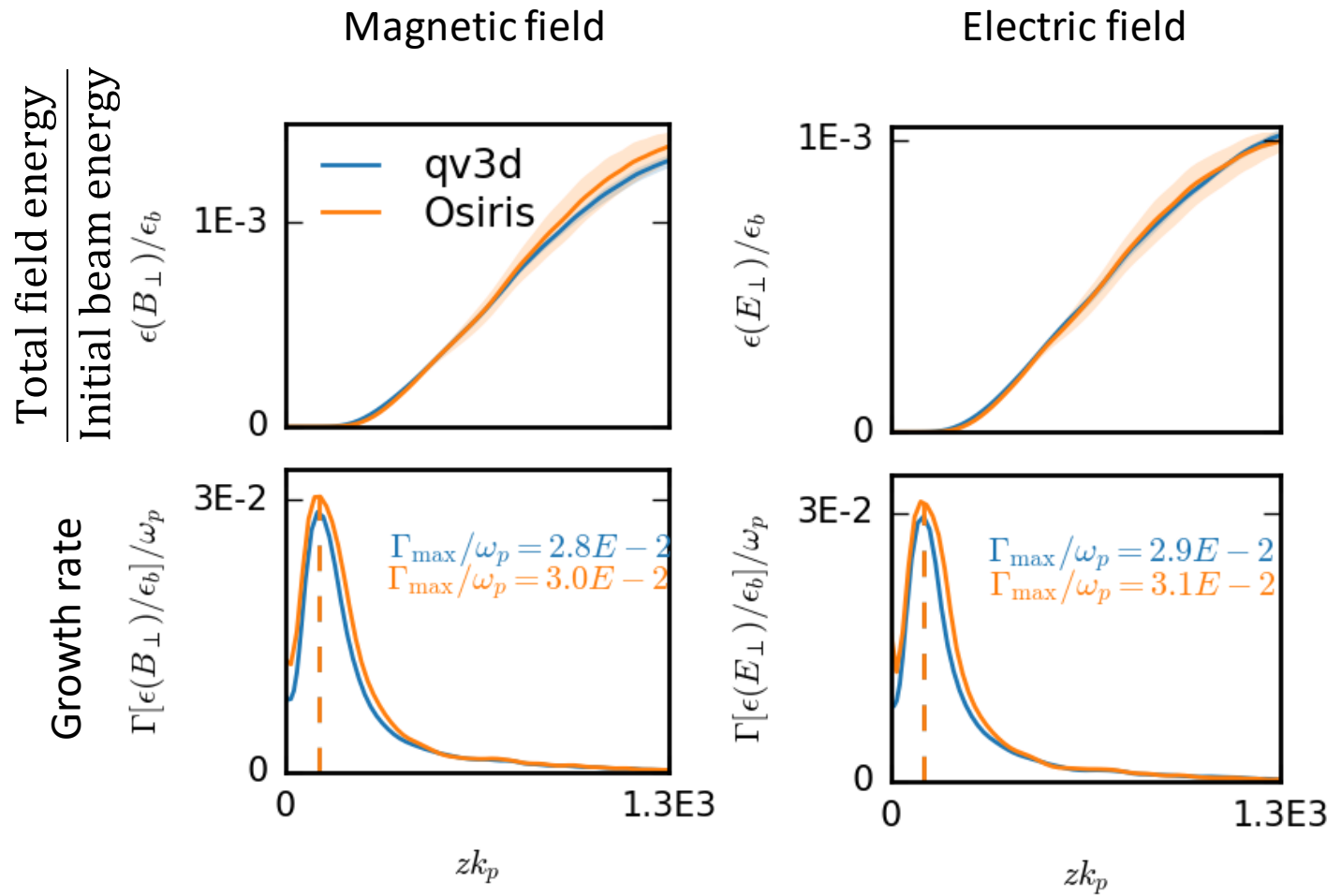
Short / dense

- Transverse filamentation mode dominant
- Plasma return current tends to cancel beam generated magnetic field
- Saturation: Betatron oscillation
- Growth along propagation distance and along beam



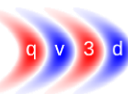
Fireball

Field energy comparison: Temporal evolution



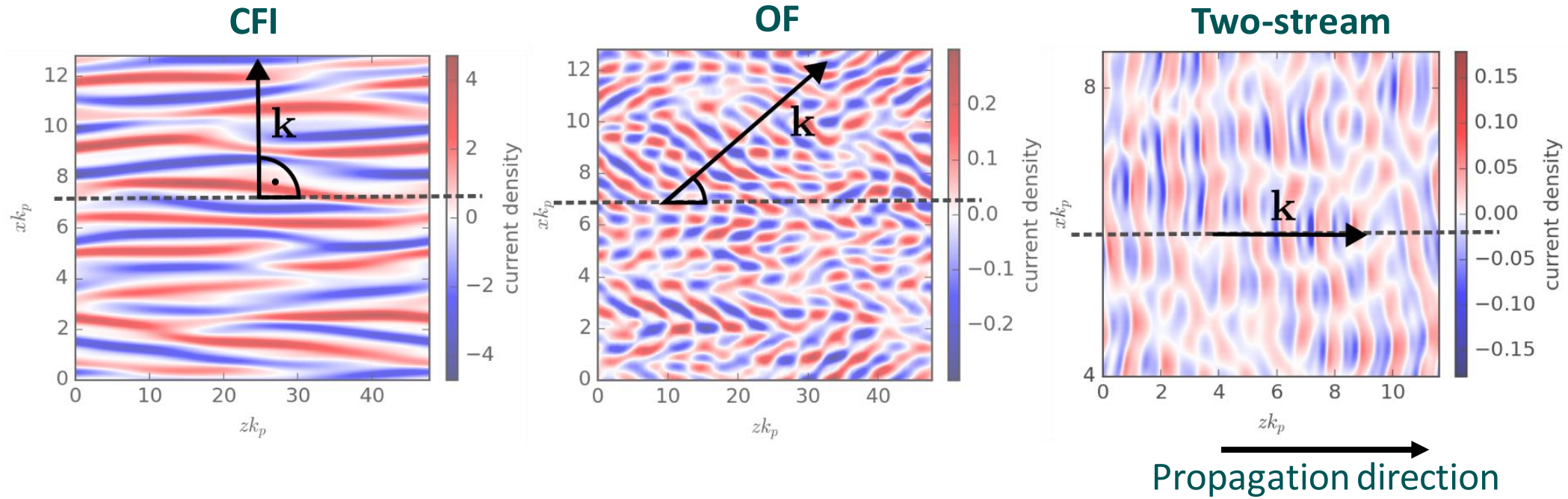
Electromagnetic instability
requires benchmark

Good agreement in energy
and growth rate of the
perpendicular field
components



Theory

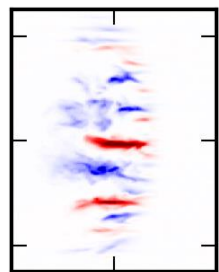
Oblique filamentation (OF) - Bret (2004)



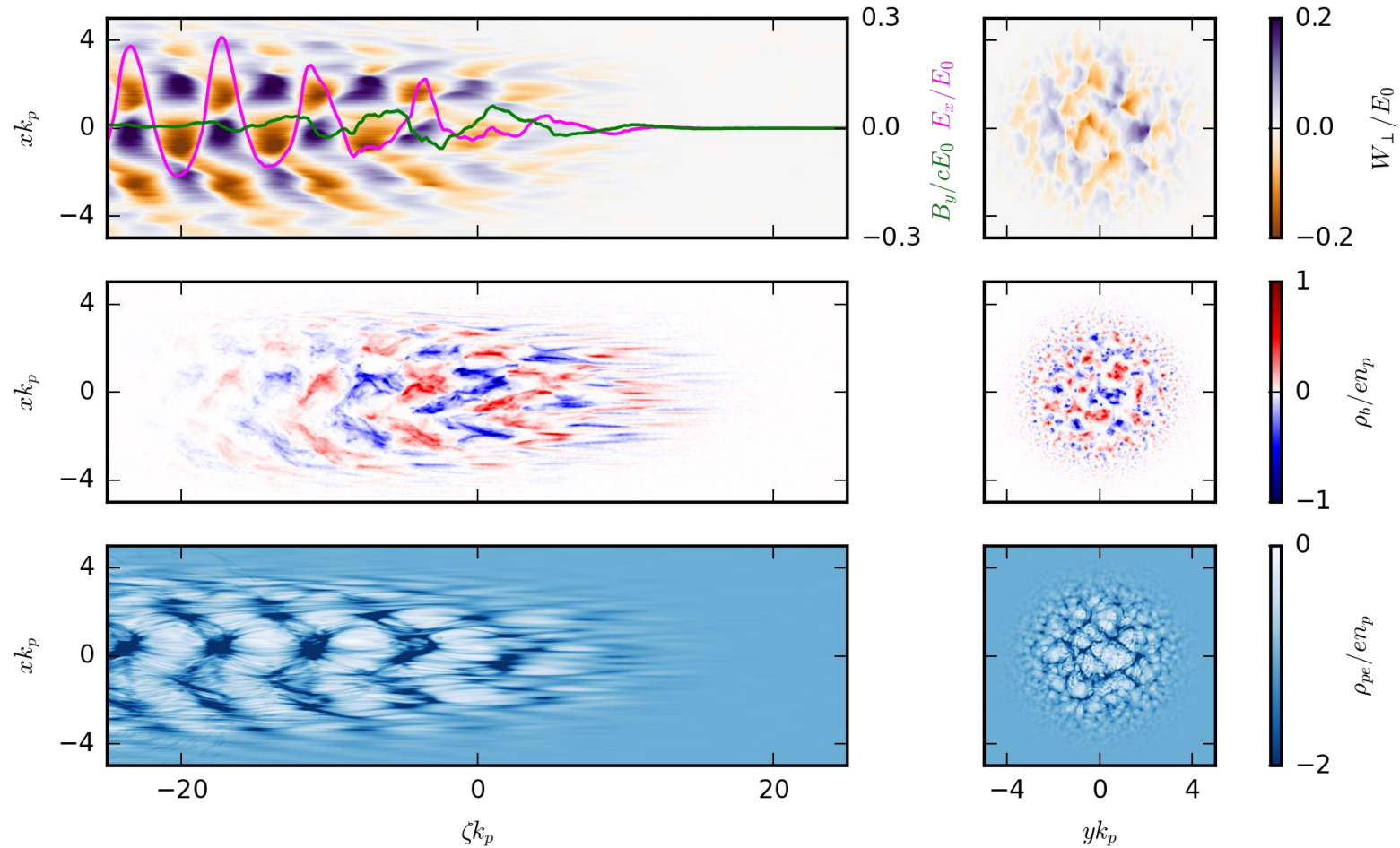
- Superposition of transverse and longitudinal modes
- Wavevector $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{k}_{\parallel} + \mathbf{k}_{\perp}$ of growing mode tilted
- Electrostatic instability $\rightarrow E_{\parallel}, E_{\perp}, B_{\perp}(j_b)$

Fireball

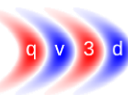
Long / dilute



Constant beam charge
Increased beam length



- Beam filamentation + self-modulation
- Transverse (de-)focussing of beam

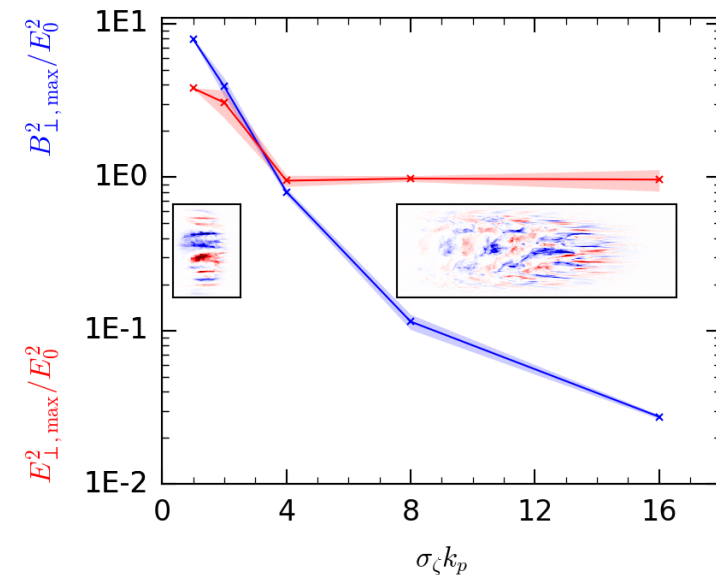
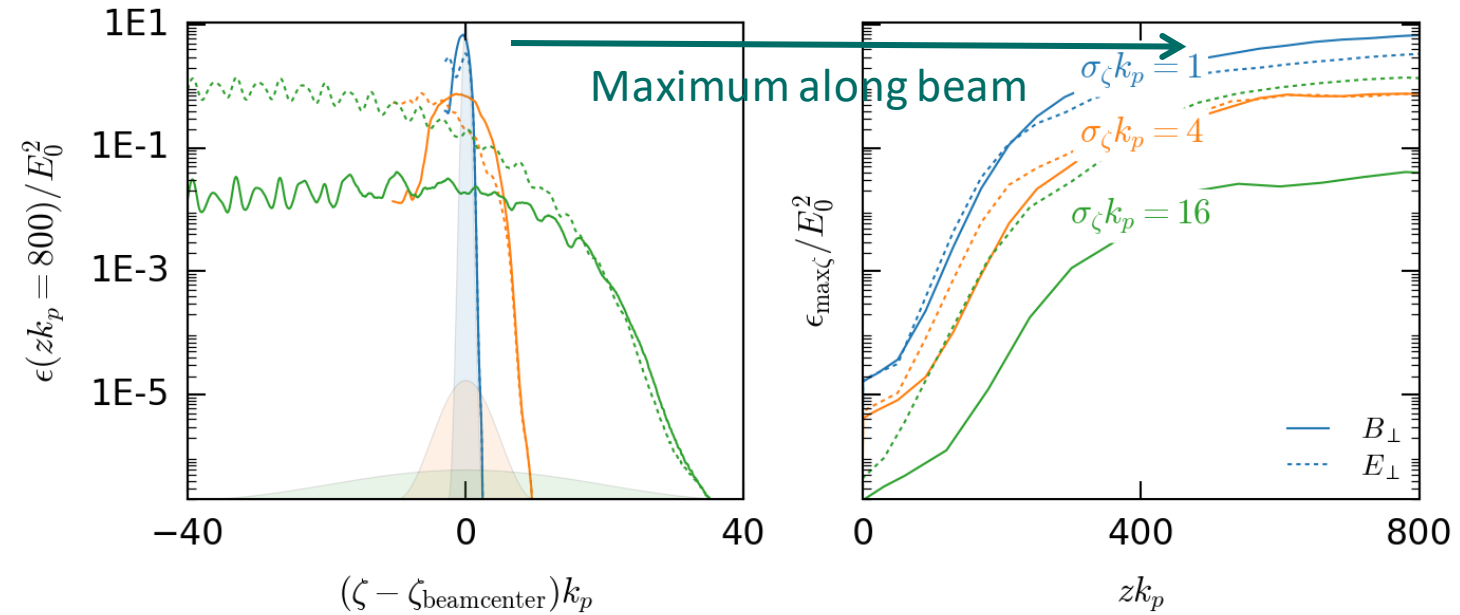


Fireball

Electromagnetic field

Magnetic field dominant within first plasma wavelength as plasma oscillation weak / not completed

- Magnetic field decrease: Lower beam density + detrapped particles
- Constant electric field: Bunched beam constructively adds to wakefield



Fireball

Growth rates

- Growth rates scale differently between current filamentation and two-stream
- Varying plasma parameters under constant total beam charge hints the filamentation mode

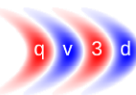
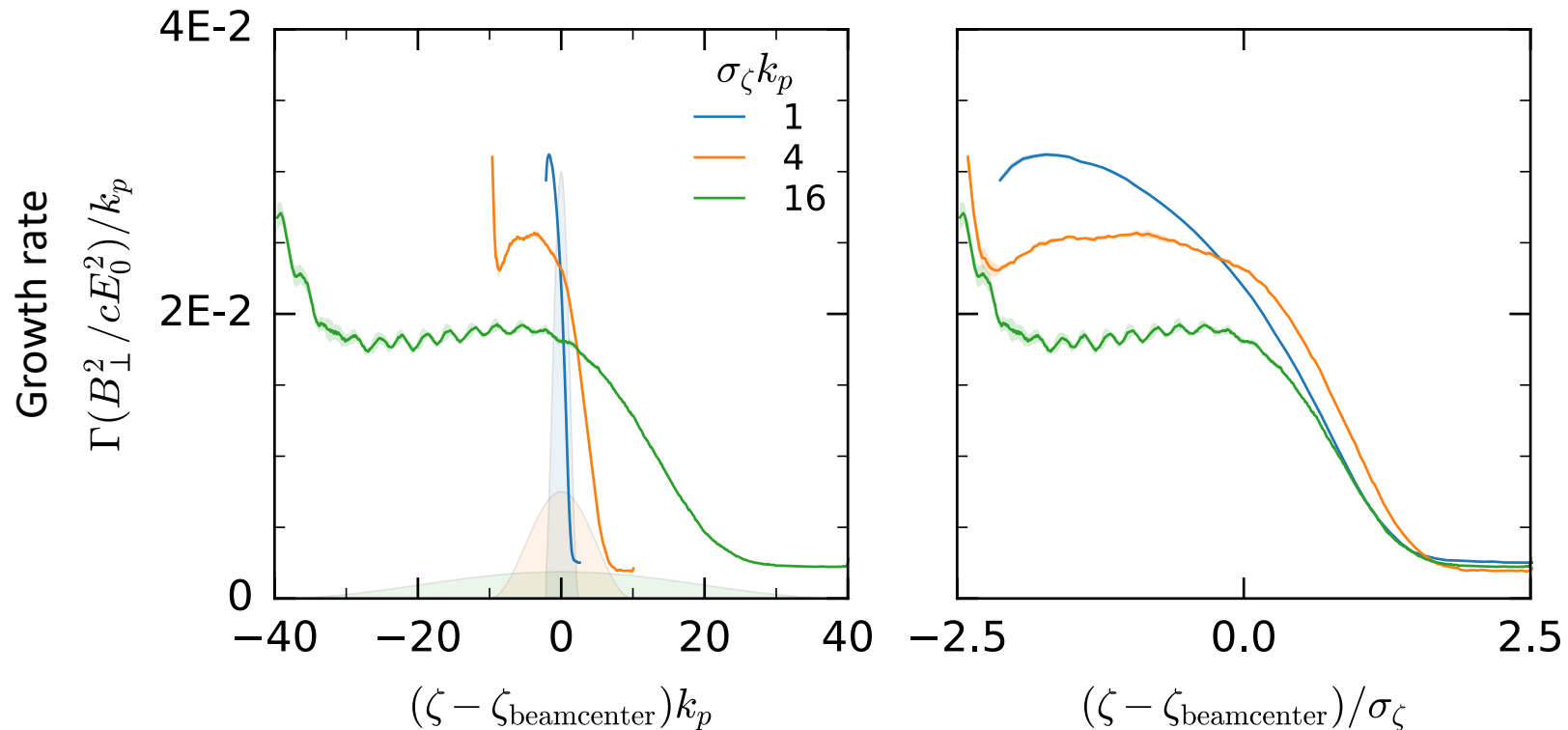
$$W_{\perp}(z, \zeta) = W_{\perp 0}(\zeta) e^{\Gamma(z, \zeta) z}$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{CF}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{n_b/n_p}{\gamma M_b/m_e} \frac{\zeta}{z}}$$

V. B. Pathak (2015)

$$\Gamma_{\text{OF}} \sim \sqrt[3]{\frac{n_b/n_p}{\gamma M_b/m_e} \frac{\zeta}{z}}$$

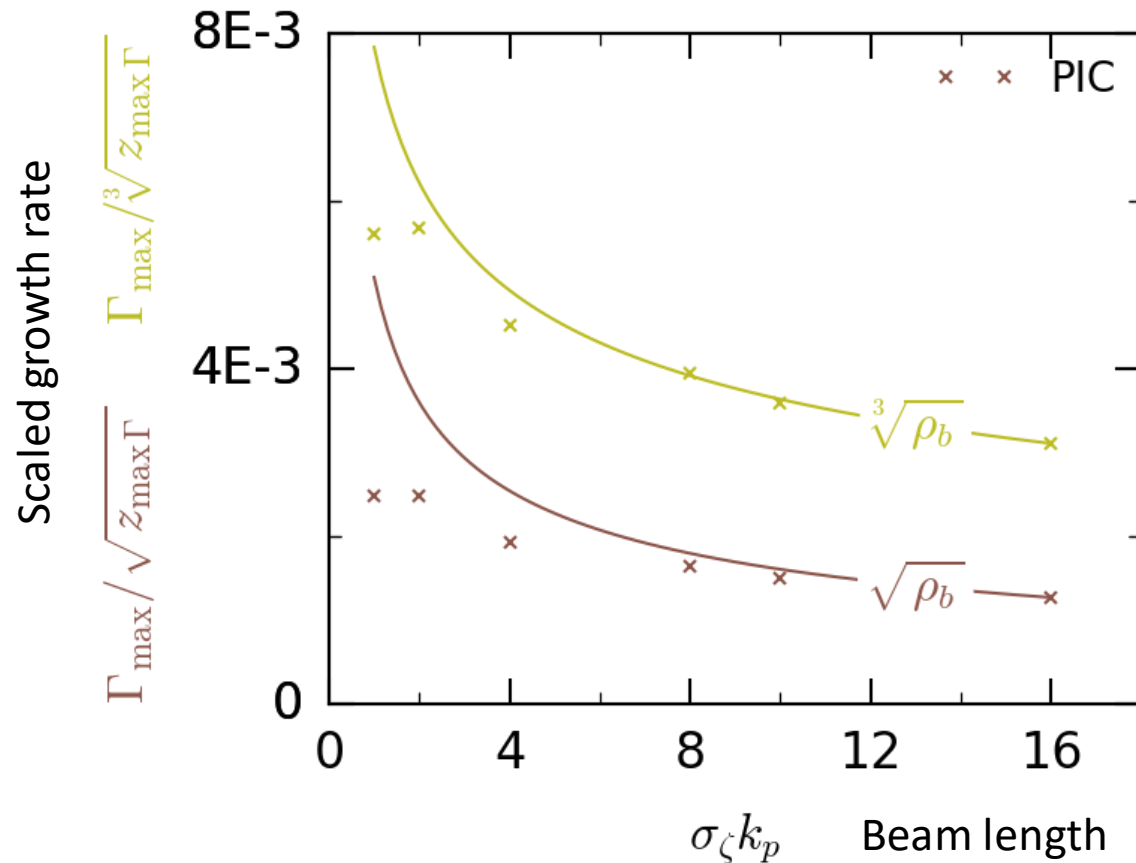
P. S. Claveria (2022)



Fireball

Growth rates

- Long fireball: growth rate scales like OF mode
- Short fireball: Nonlinear effects for short beams

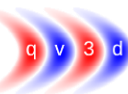


$$\Gamma_{\text{OF}} \sim \sqrt[3]{\frac{n_b/n_p}{\gamma M_b/m_e} \frac{\zeta}{Z}} Z$$

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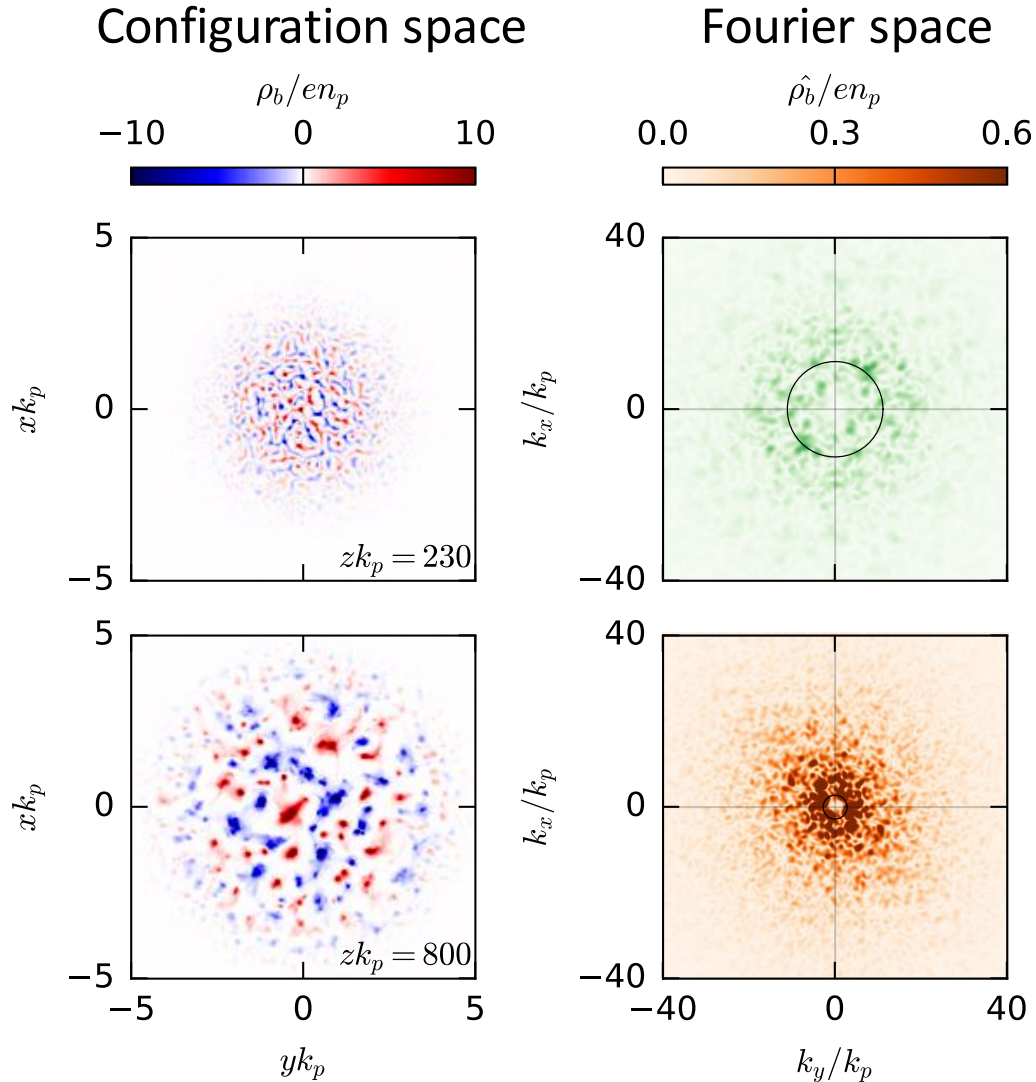
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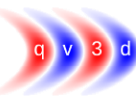
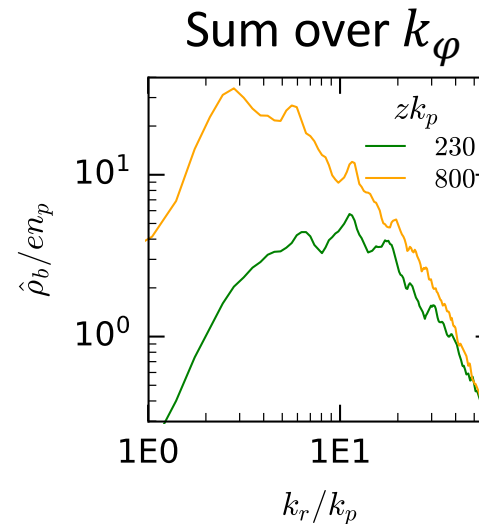


Fireball

Fourier Modes



- Instability: Random distribution
- Mean filament distance given by polar transformation $(k_x, k_y) \rightarrow (k_r, k_\varphi)$
- Relevant modes in interval $(1, 30) k_p$

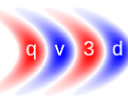
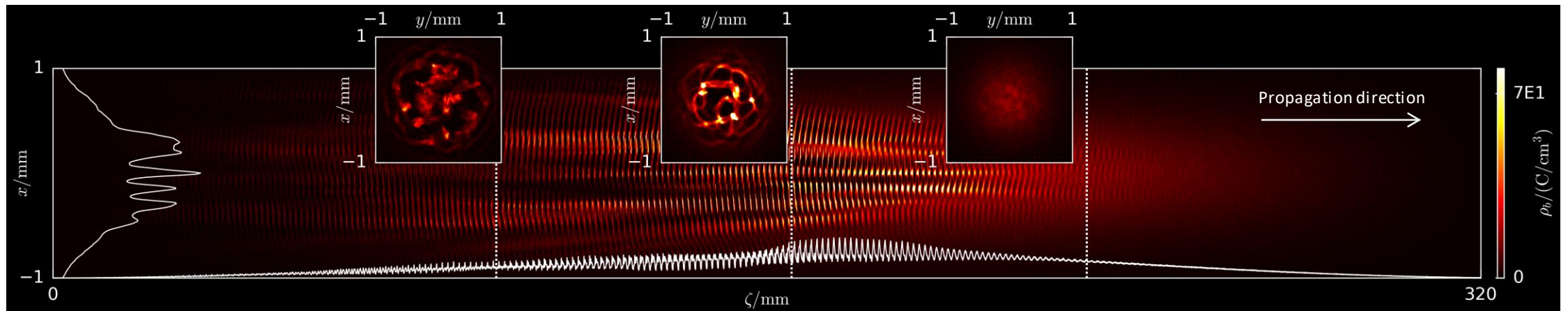


Filamentation in AWAKE?

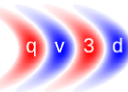
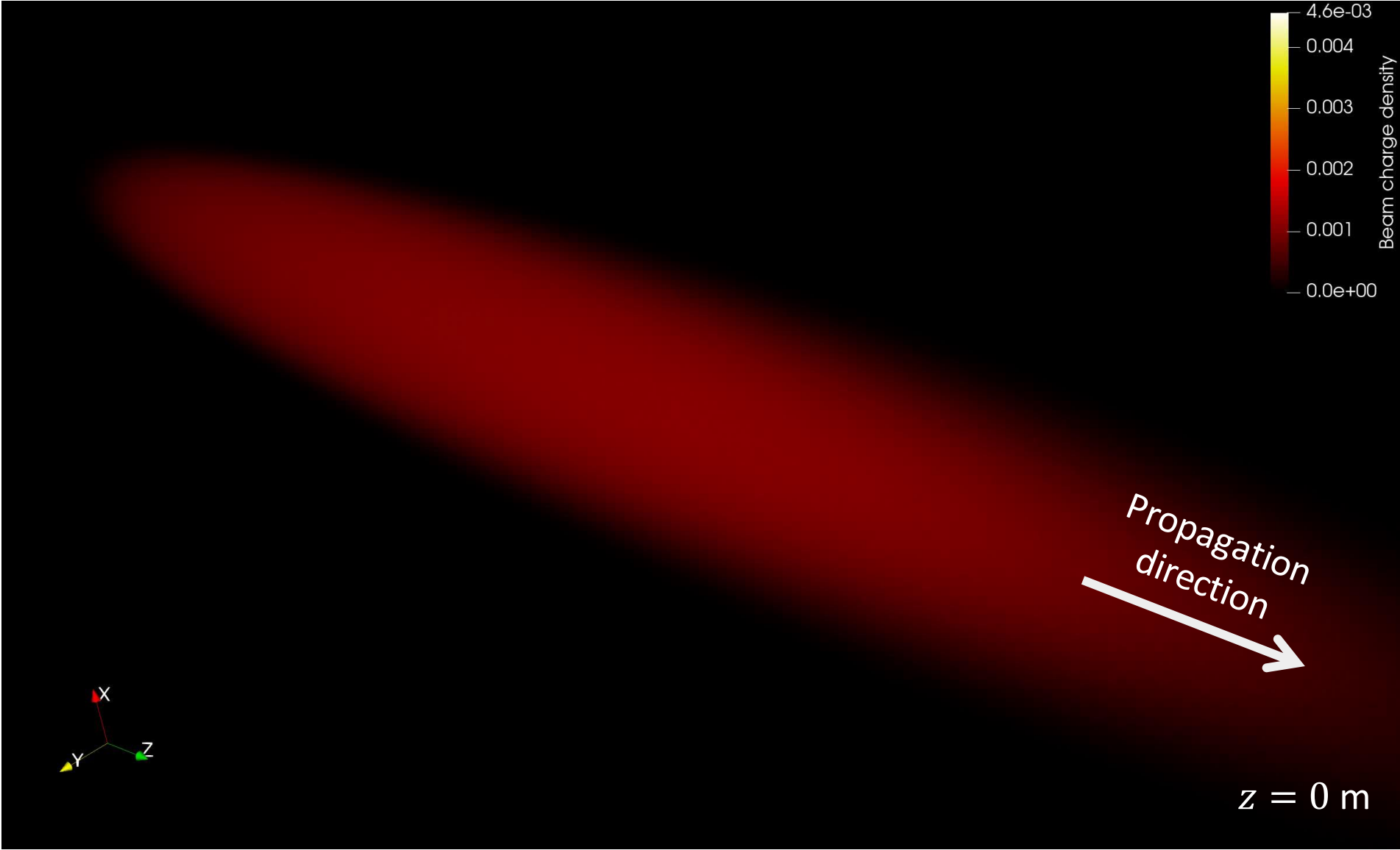


- Beam/plasma parameters achievable within AWAKE
- Longitudinal + transverse beam modulation with filaments evolving along beam and propagation
- Average filament distance: 0.3-0.4 mm

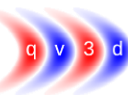
Parameter	Proton beam
Plasma wavelength	1.26 mm
Beam gamma	426.4
B. charge	48 nC
B. norm. emittance	2.5 μm
B. length	220 ps
B. width	440 μm
B. macroparticles	1.18E9
Spatial resol. ($\Delta\zeta, \Delta\perp$)	(0.25, 0.5) c/ω_p
Prop. distance	10 m



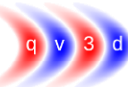
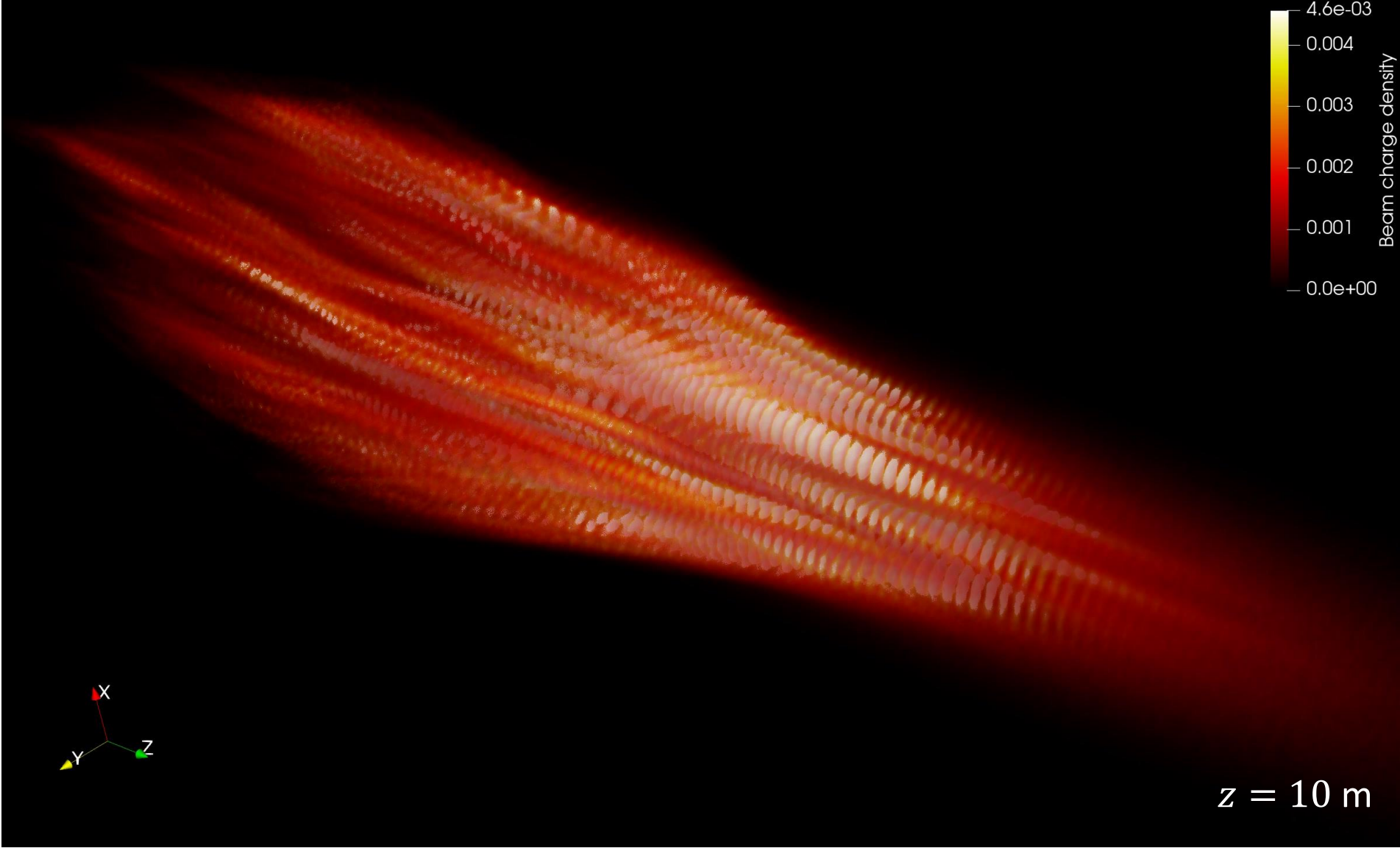
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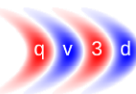
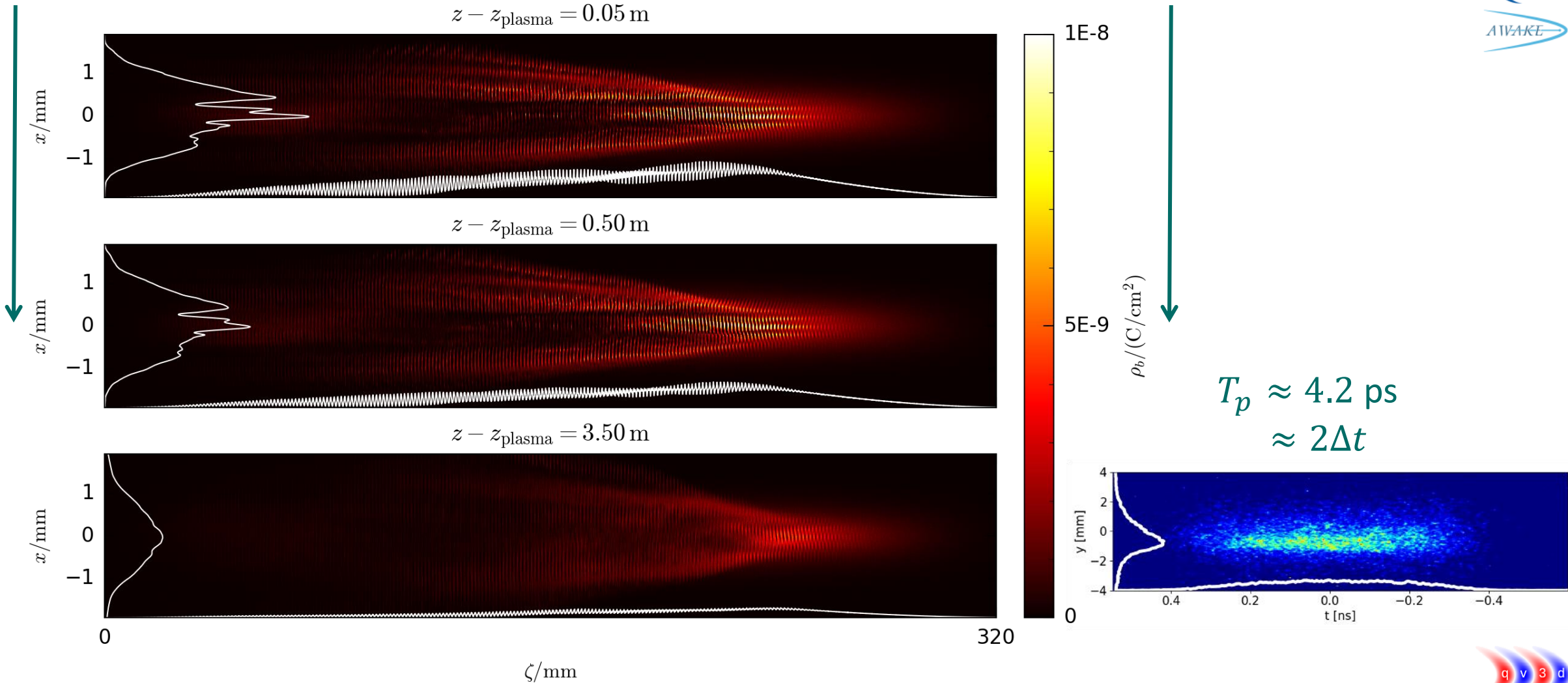


Filamentation in AWAKE



Beam propagates in vacuum

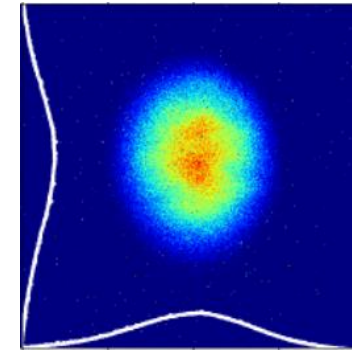
Bunches smear out



Filamentation in AWAKE?

Potential Screen Images

Beam propagates in vacuum

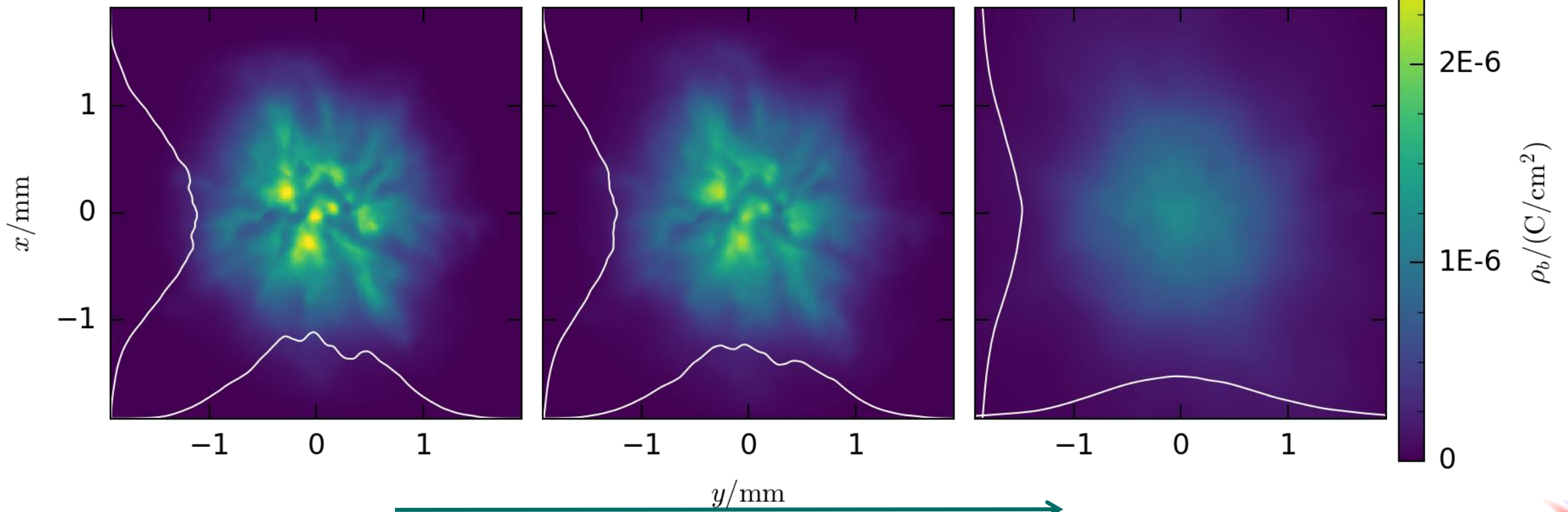


Run 2ab

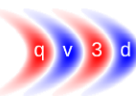
$z - z_{\text{plasma}} = 0.05 \text{ m}$

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$z - z_{\text{plasma}} = 3.50 \text{ m}$

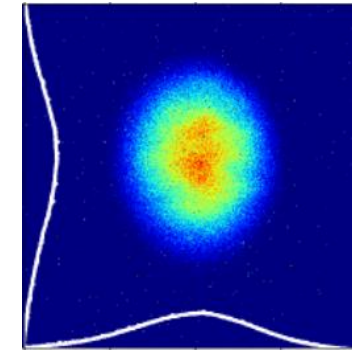


Filaments diverge / smear out



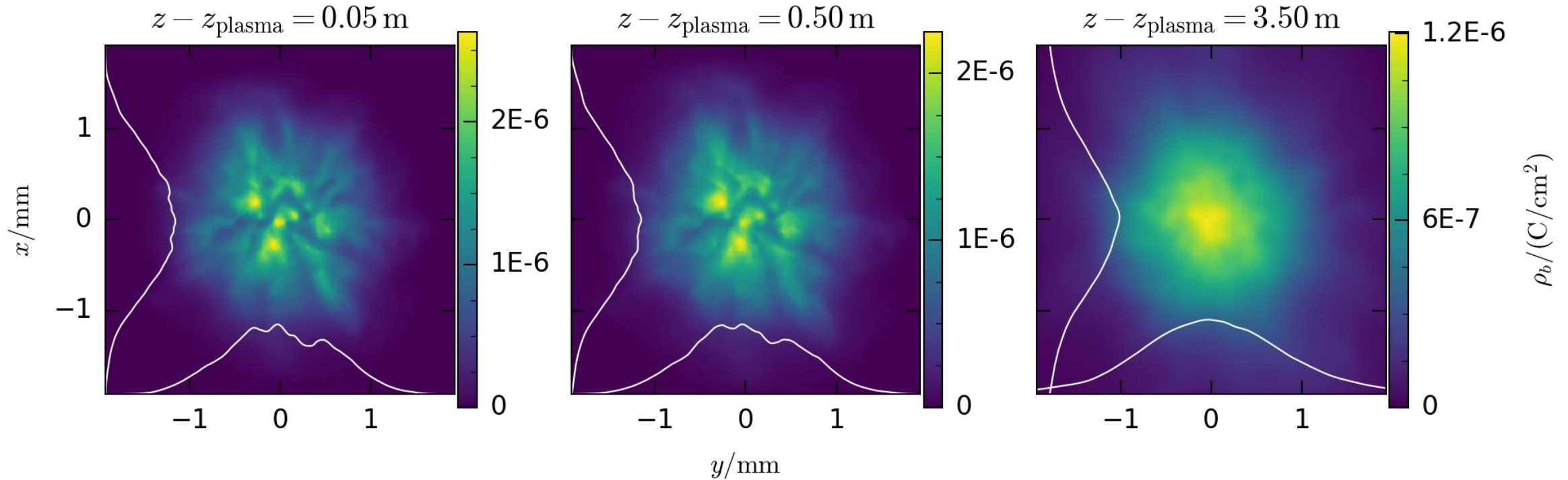
Filamentation in AWAKE?

Potential Screen Images



Run 2ab

Beam propagates in vacuum

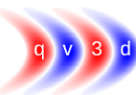
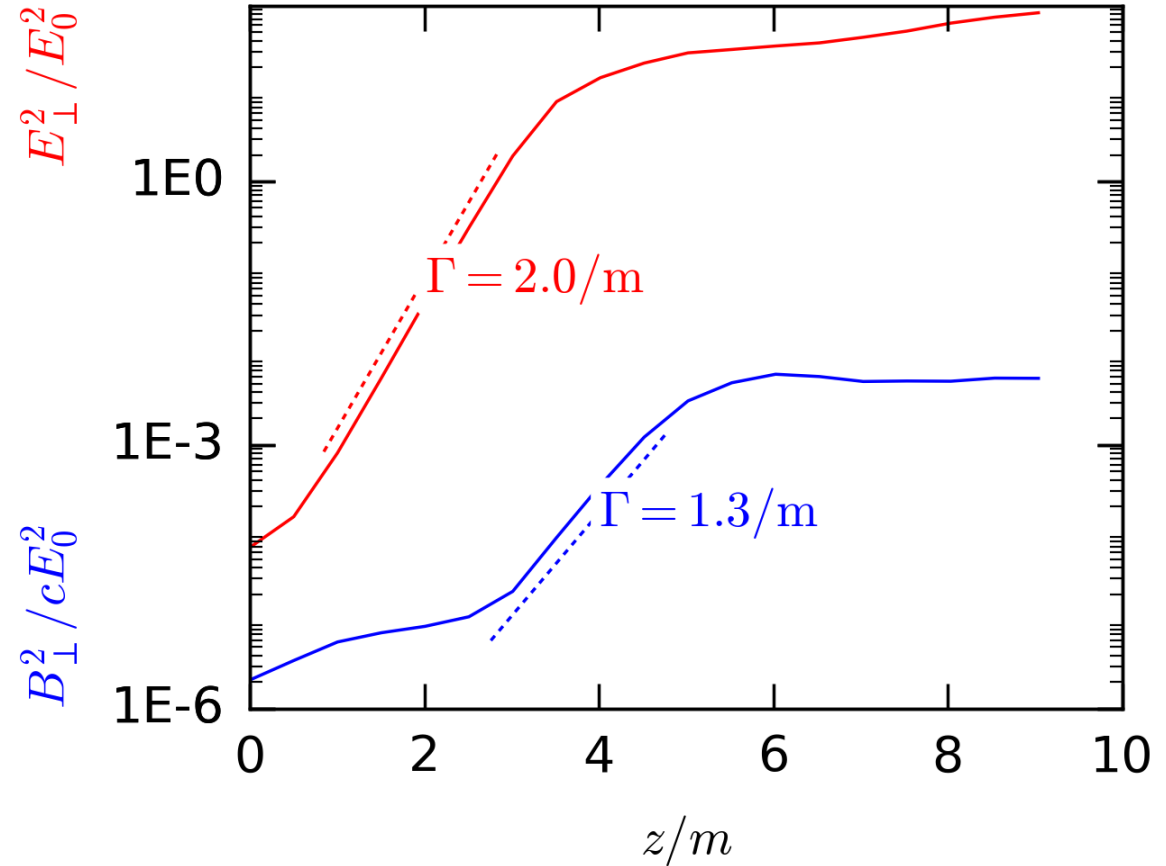


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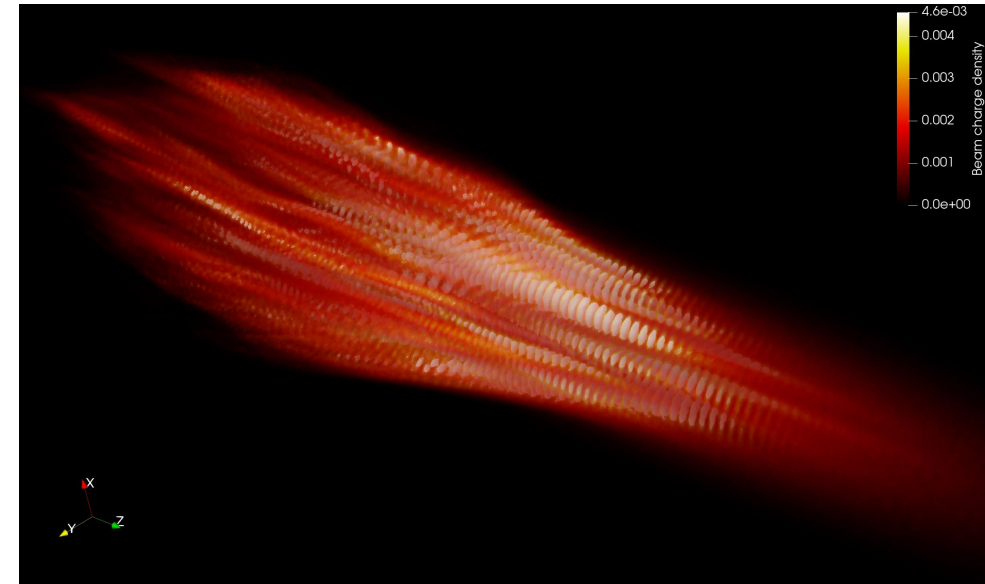
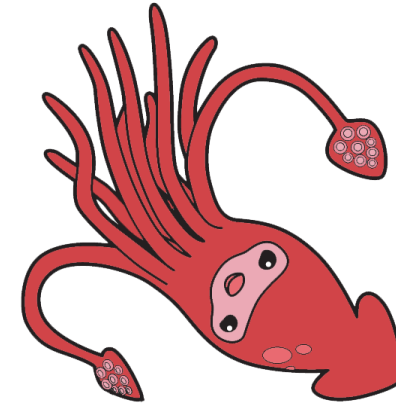
Electromagnetic Field Energy

- Magnetic field orders of magnitudes smaller compared to electric field
- Saturation reached after 5m for $n_p = 7E14/ccm$
- Margin for different seed level



Summary

- Different filamentation modes observable for fireball beams.
- Simulations show beam filamentation for wide proton beam parameters achievable within AWAKE.
- Experimental results from DPS combined with simulations will help to improve understanding of filamentation modes achievable within AWAKE.



Thank you for your attention

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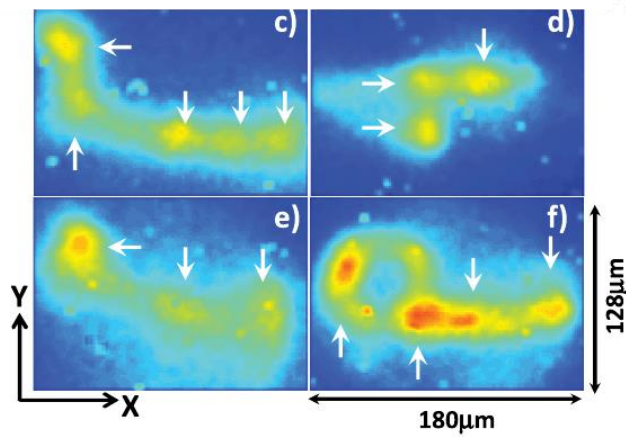


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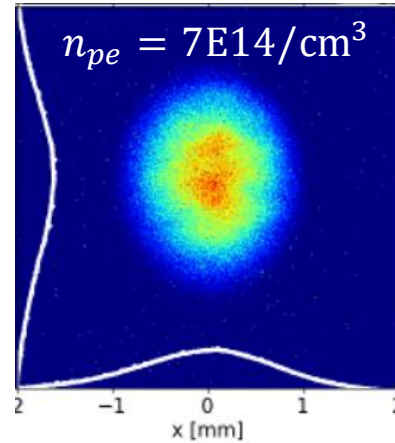
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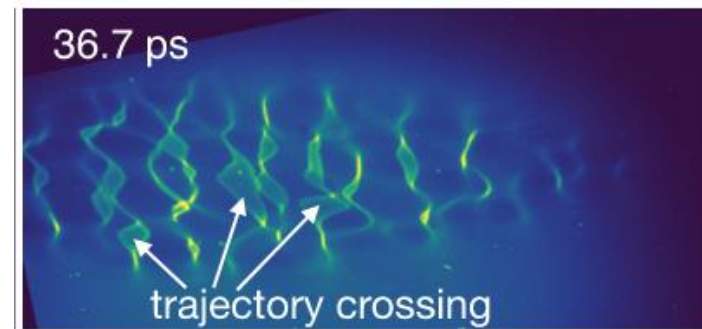
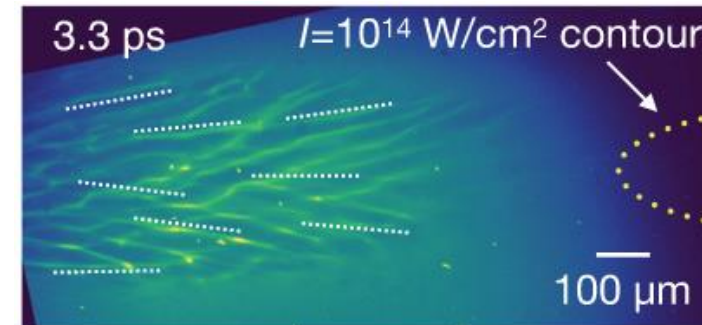
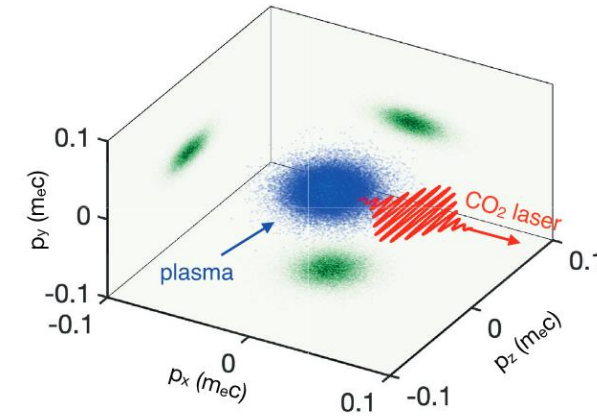
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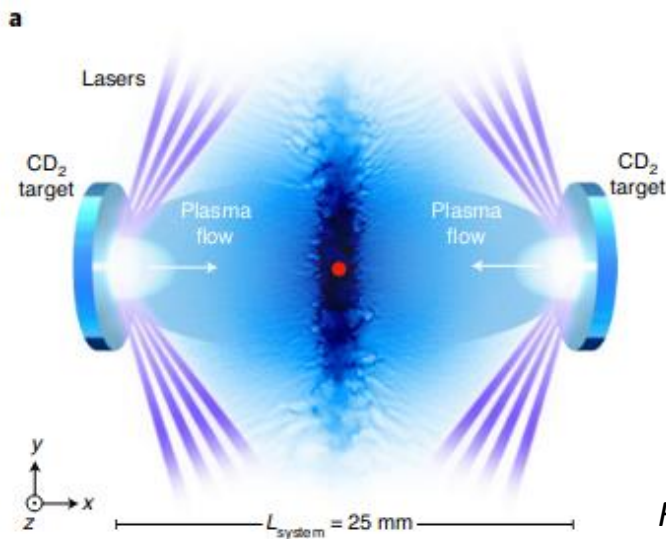
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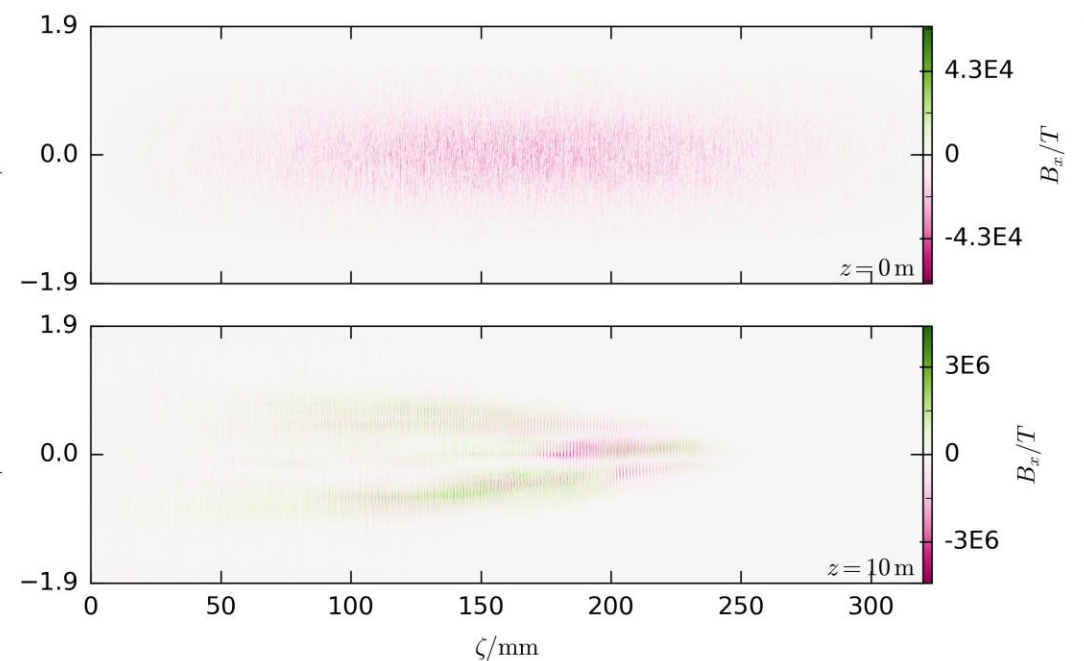
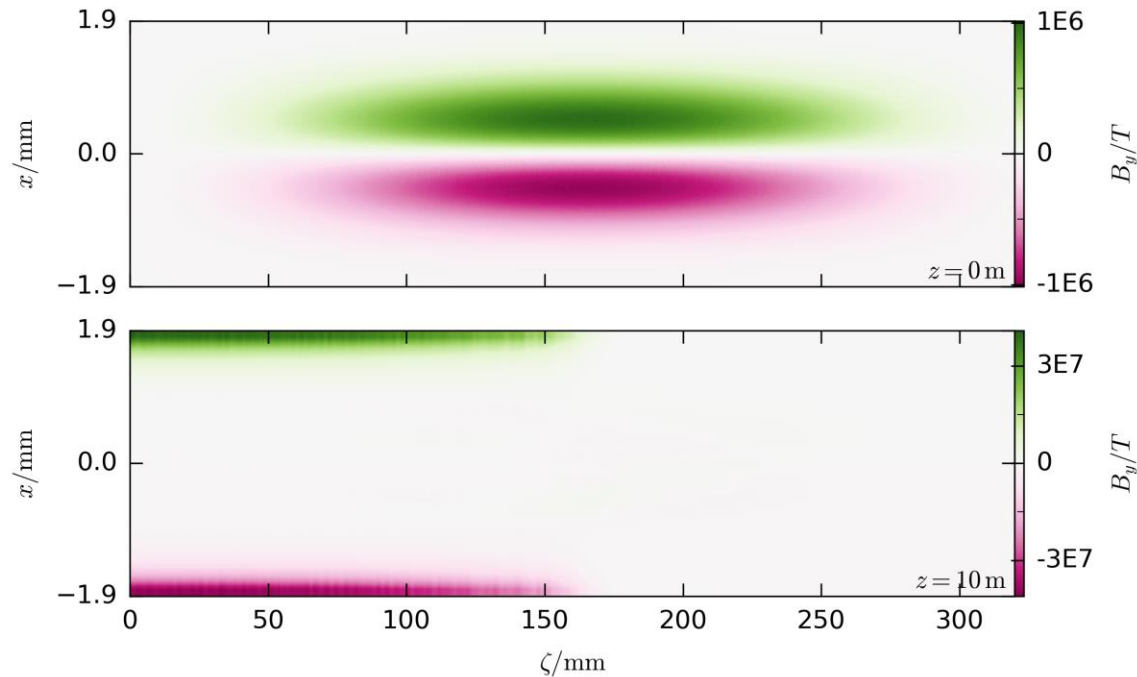
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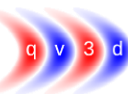
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Electromagnetic Field Energy

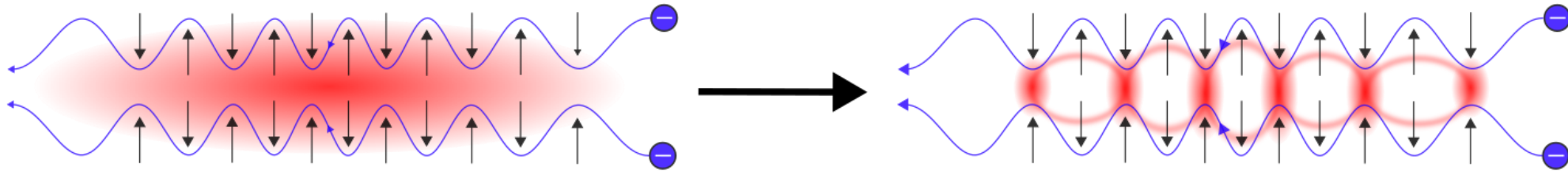


- Strong static magnetic field due to beam and plasma hides filamentation modes



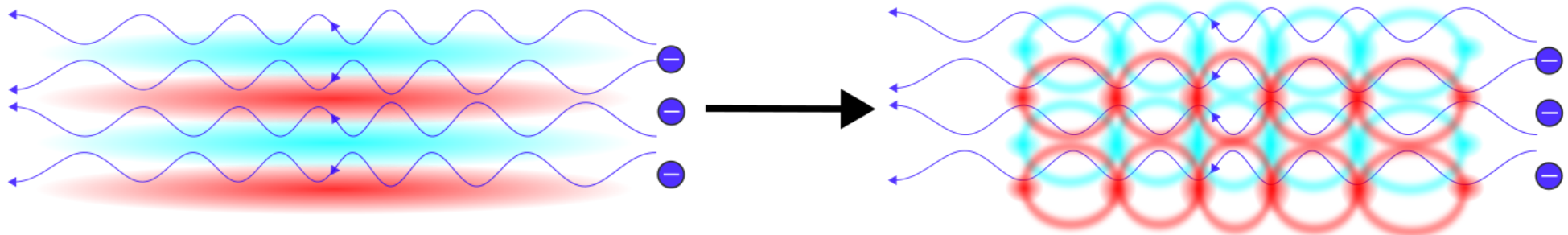
Extension of Theory

Transverse Two-Stream Instability (TTS)



- Beam generates wakefields due to space-charge effect
- Wakefields act back on beam particles resulting in focussing / defocussing
- Electromagnetostatic $\rightarrow E_{\parallel}, E_{\perp}, B_{\perp}(j_b)$

- Plasma electrons may oscillate for weak magnetic field
- Self-modulated beam filaments
- Spatiotemporal evolution of EM field



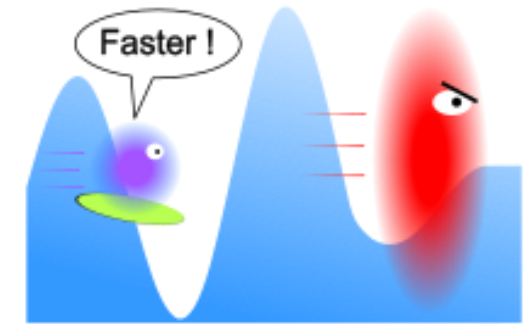
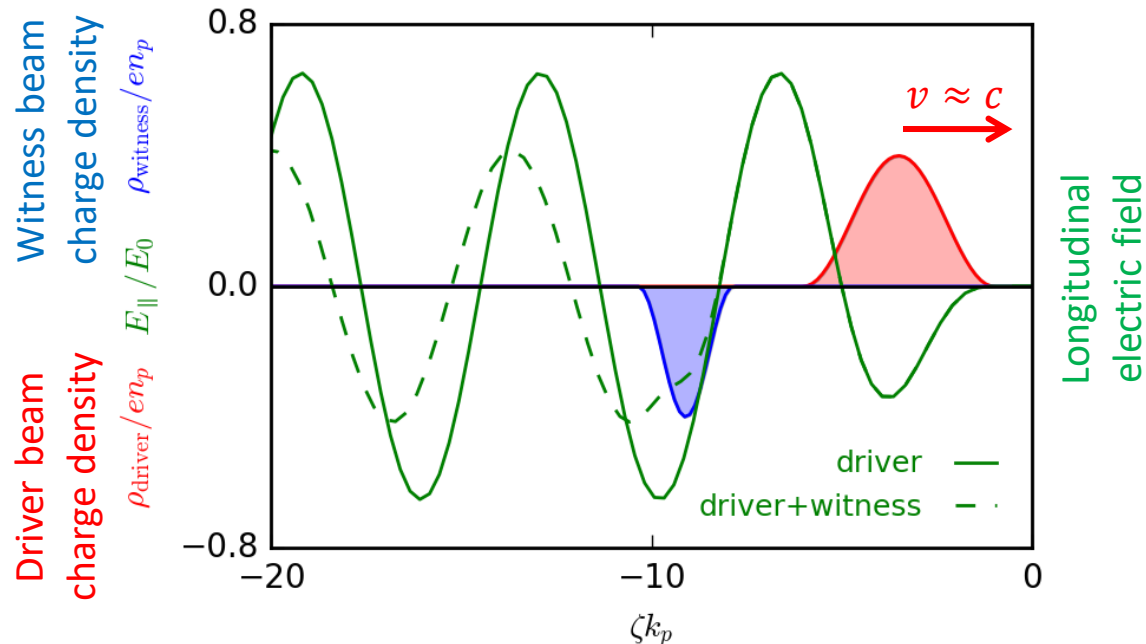
Motivation

Plasma wakefield accelerators (PWFA)

Linear accelerators with high electric field (GV/m)

Basic concept: Transfer of kinetic energy (*P. Chen, 1985*)

- Charged beam drives wakefields
- Witness beam suppresses wakefields



Wakefield: Electrostatic plasma response due to the beam

A relativistic beam in plasma may undergo current filamentation

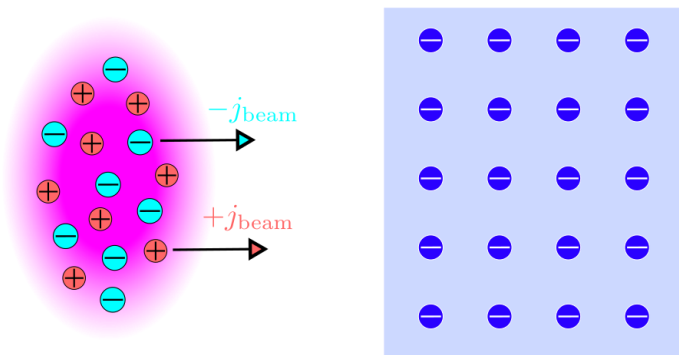
Can we use existing experiments for astrophysical laboratory?



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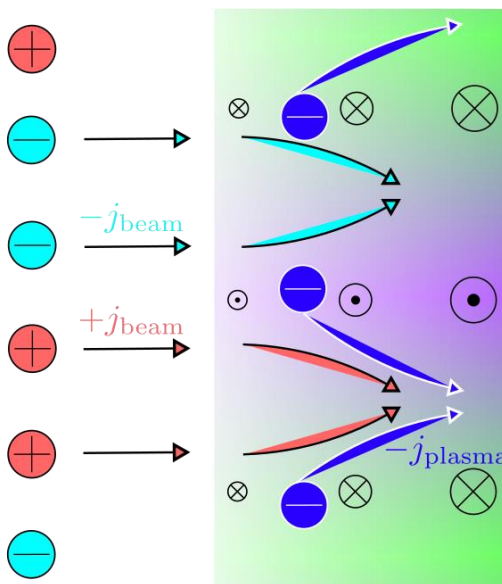
(Current) Filamentation Instability - *E. S. Weibel (1958)*, *B. D. Fried (1959)*

Requirement



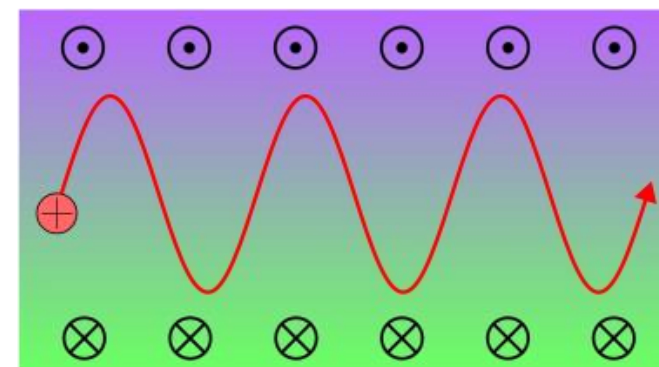
Velocity anisotropy of total system

Mechanism



- Transverse beam particles separation
- Electromagnetically dominant instability

Saturation



- Magnetic trapping with $\omega \sim \Gamma_{CFI}$ (*R.C. Davidson, 1972*)
- **Filaments merge**

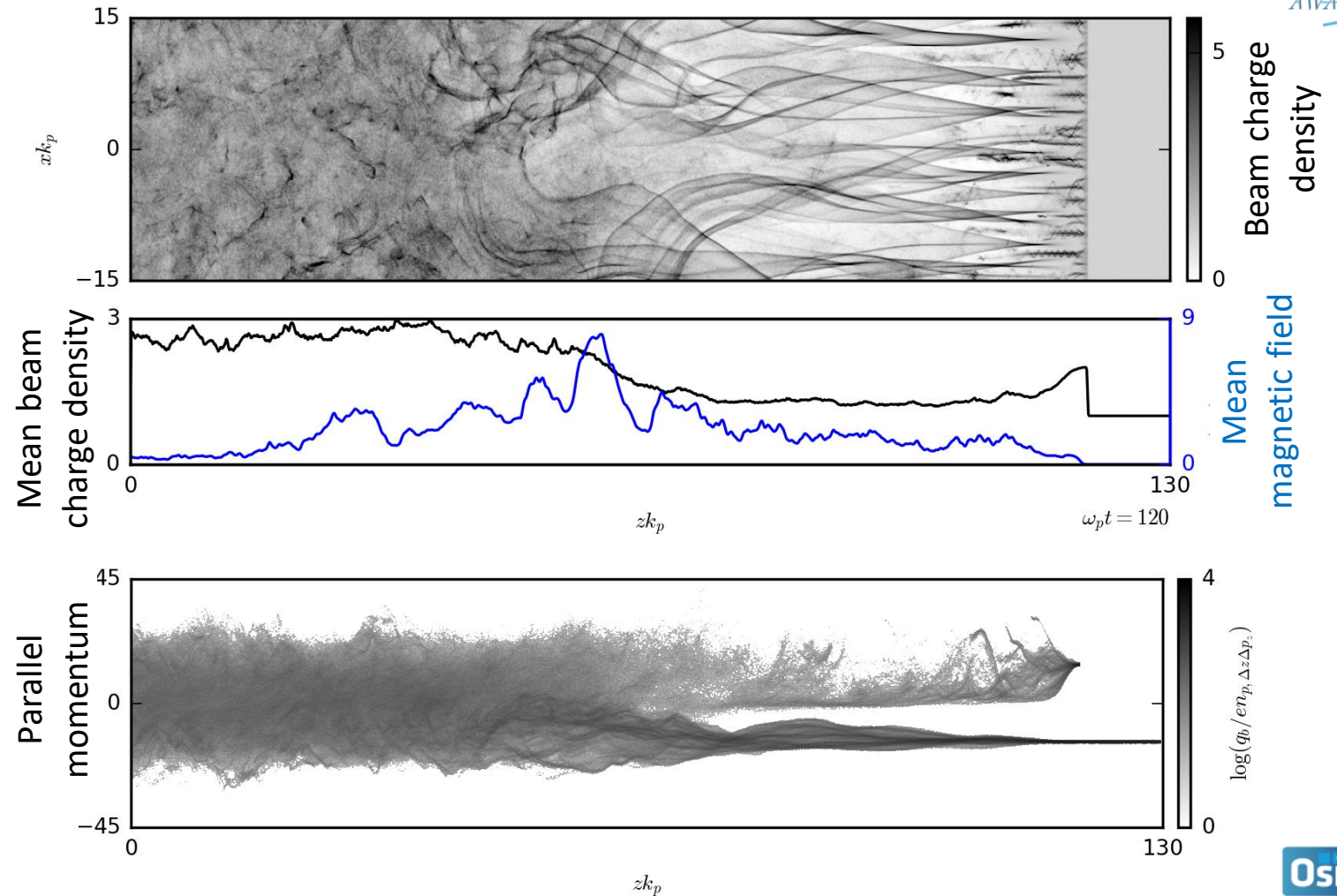
Motivation

Collisionless shock front

Candidate for cosmic acceleration

Characterization: Sudden change in momentum space and electromagnetic field

- Magnetic field growth due to **current filamentation instability (CFI)**



Methods

Fully electromagnetic particle-in-cell (PIC) method

Kinetic: Phasespace discretely resolved by macroparticles with charge, position and momentum

Interaction in space and momentum

