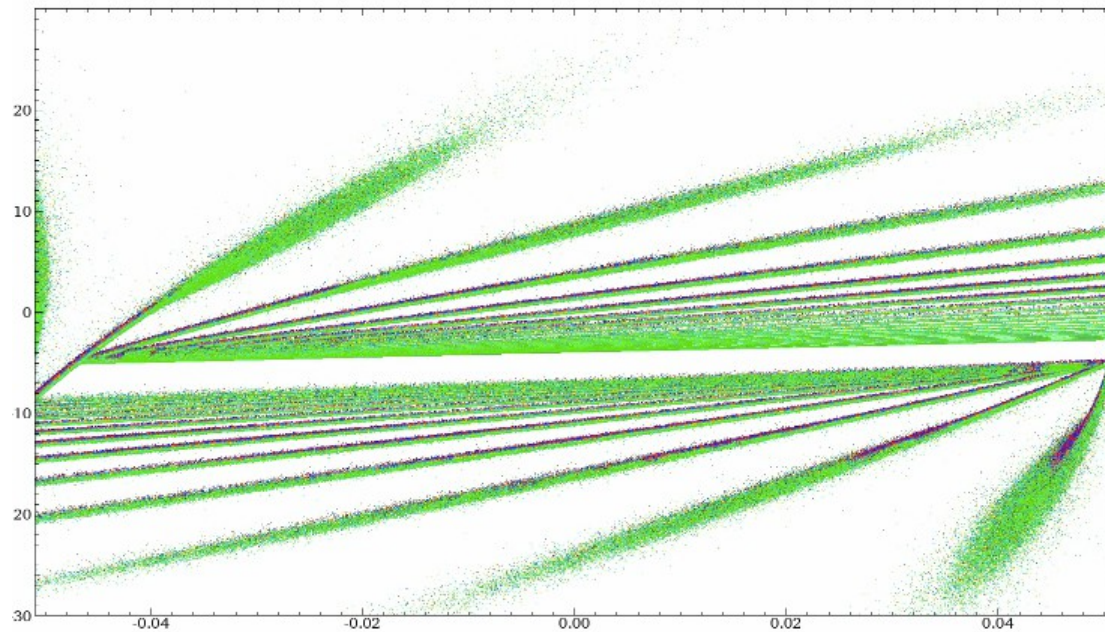


Multipactor saturation in rectangular waveguides



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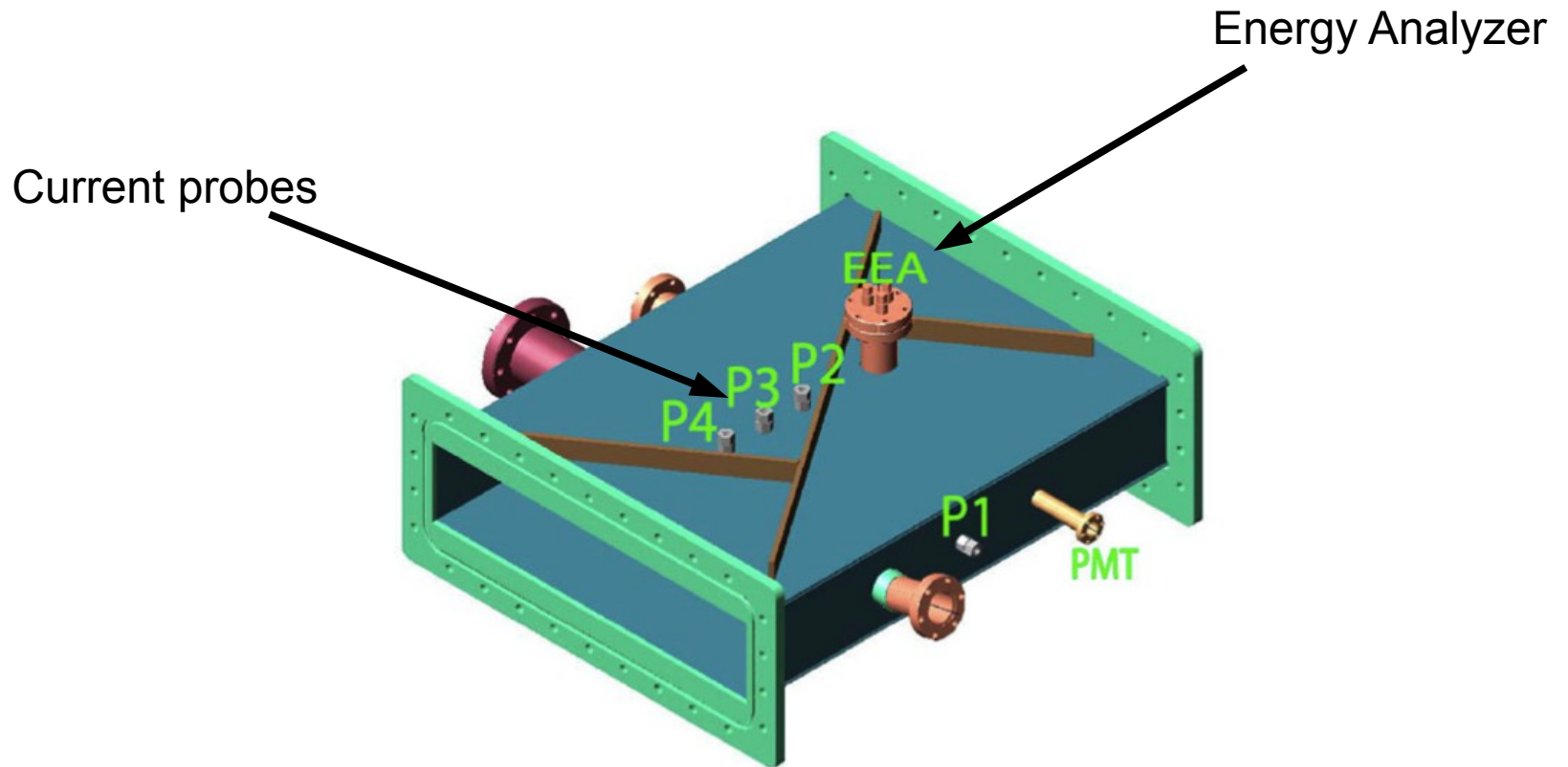


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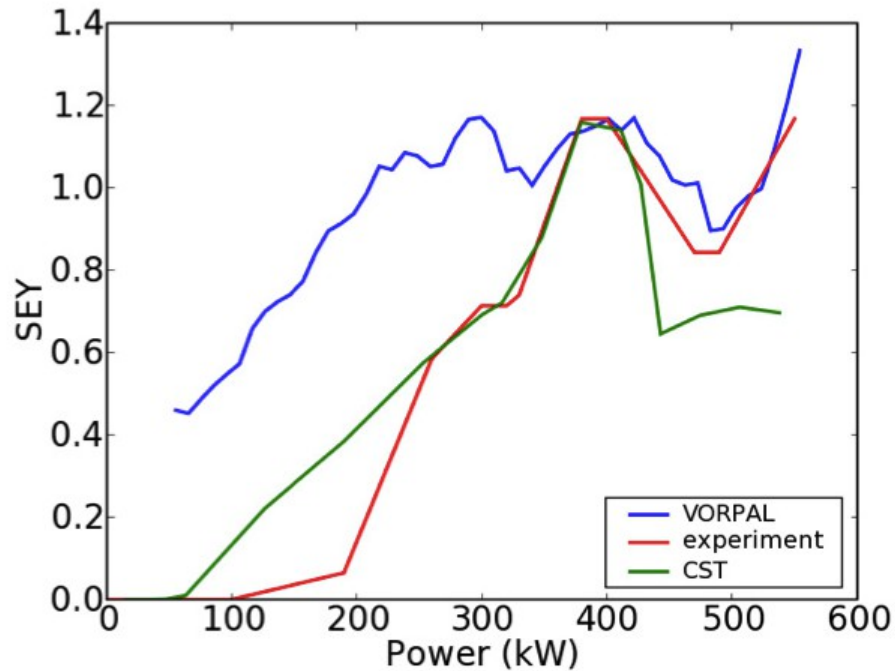
- Founded in 1994
- 65+ employees today
- Offices in US (Boulder & Buffalo), UK, and Taiwan
- Main focus is computational electromagnetic, beam and plasma science
- Especially focused on high performance computing

A collaboration between Cornell University and UK organizations diagnosed multipactor in rectangular waveguides in early 2000s



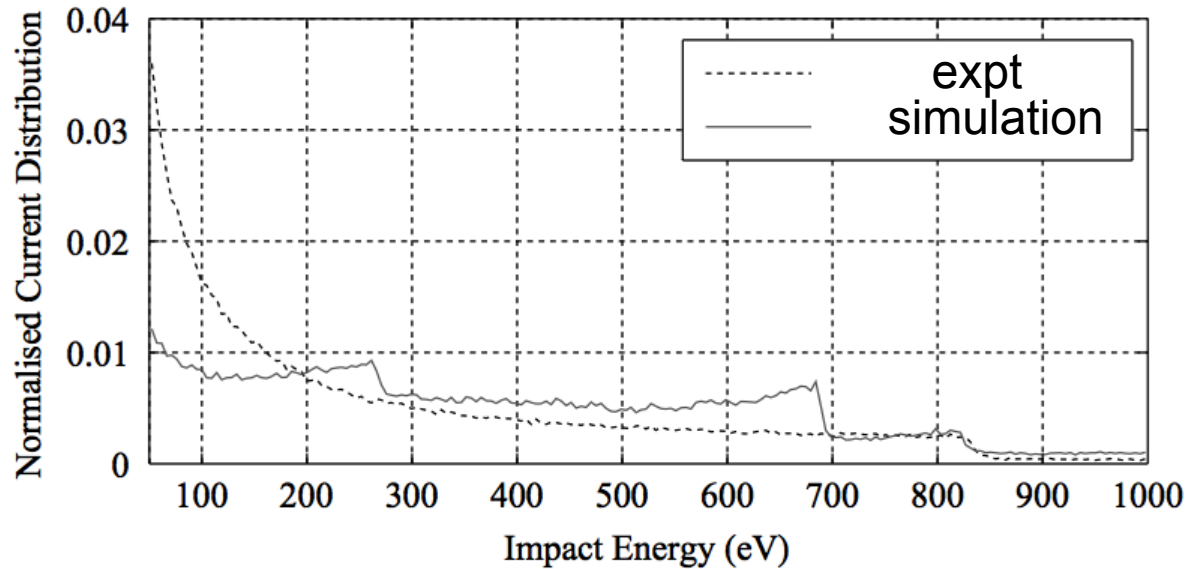


We were able to compare our multipacting results successfully with experiment and another code



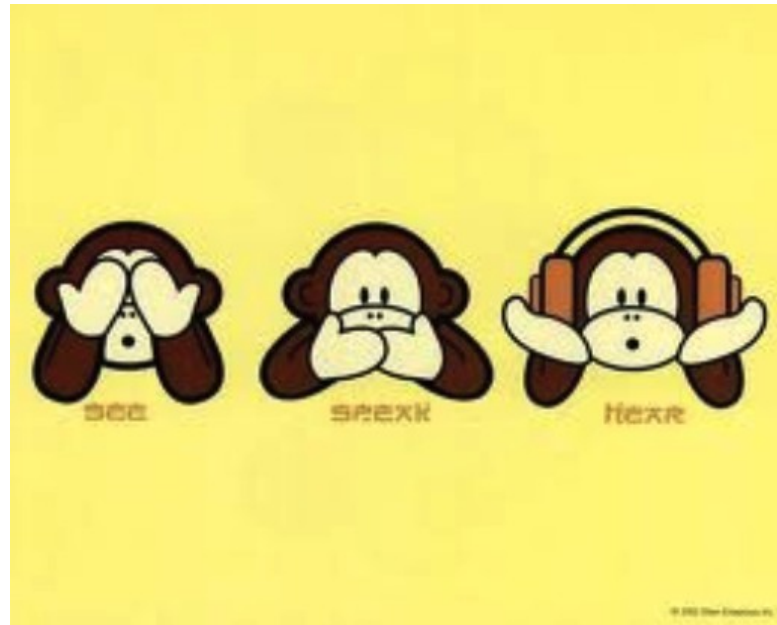
Everything is great, right? Problem solved! But...

The energy distributions of the impacting electrons did not match!



Sigh...

I suggested one method for dealing with this disagreement



Peter's suggested approach



My much smarter UK collaborators had a better idea for explaining the disagreement

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Phase space analysis of multipactor saturation in rectangular waveguide

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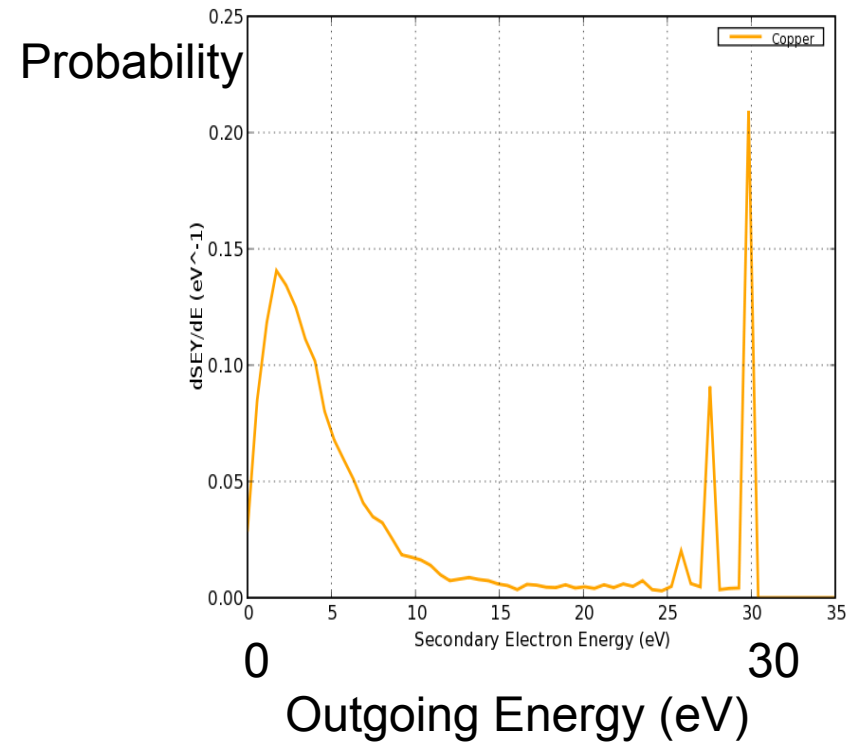
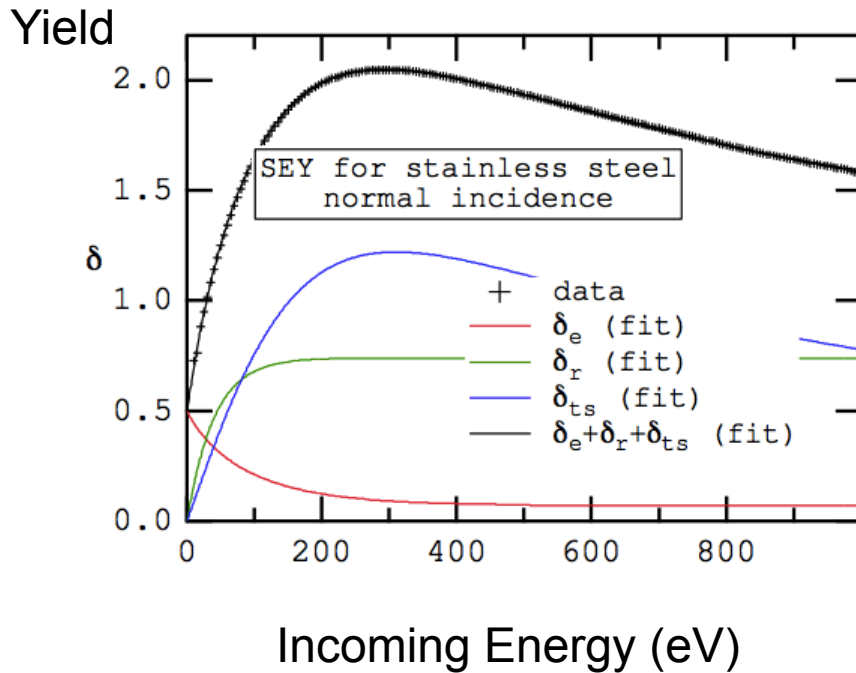
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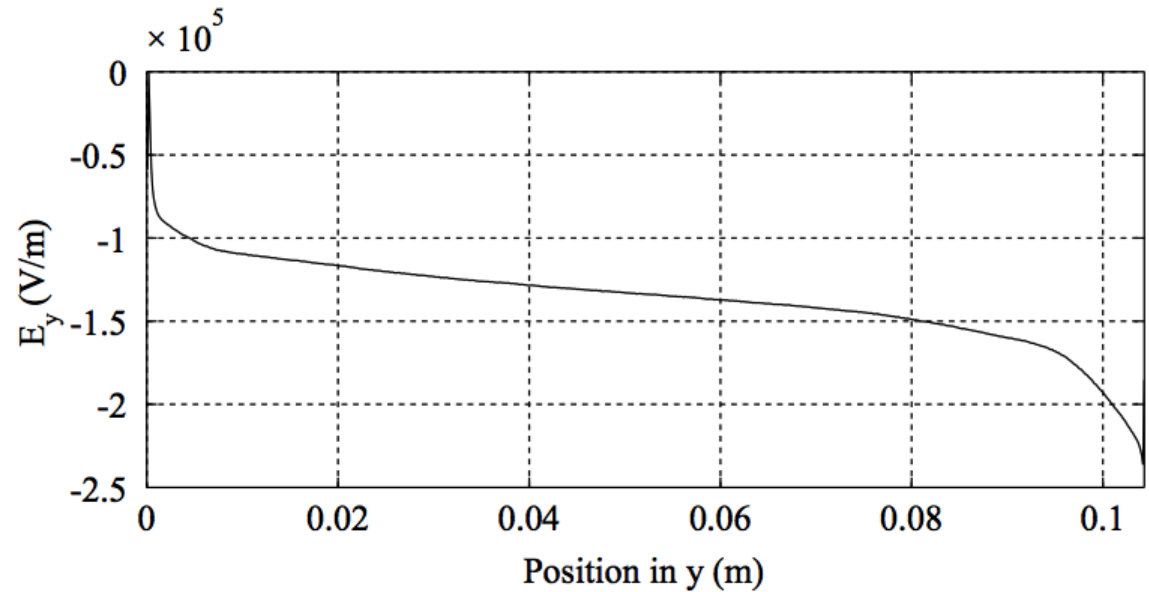
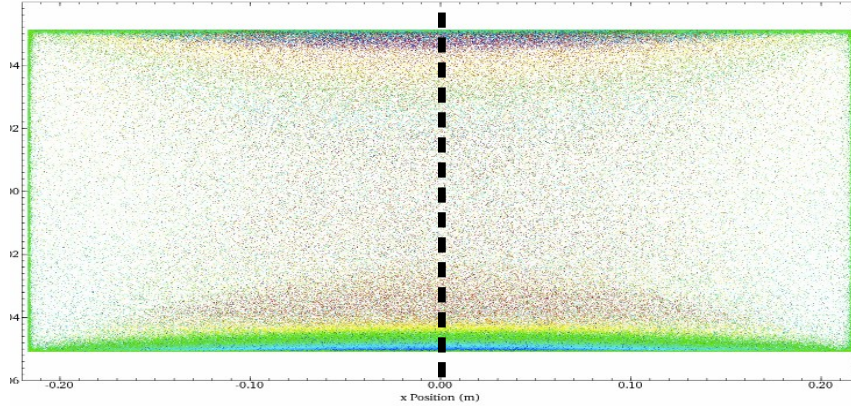


For these saturation simulations, we used Furman and Pivi fits to the secondary yields

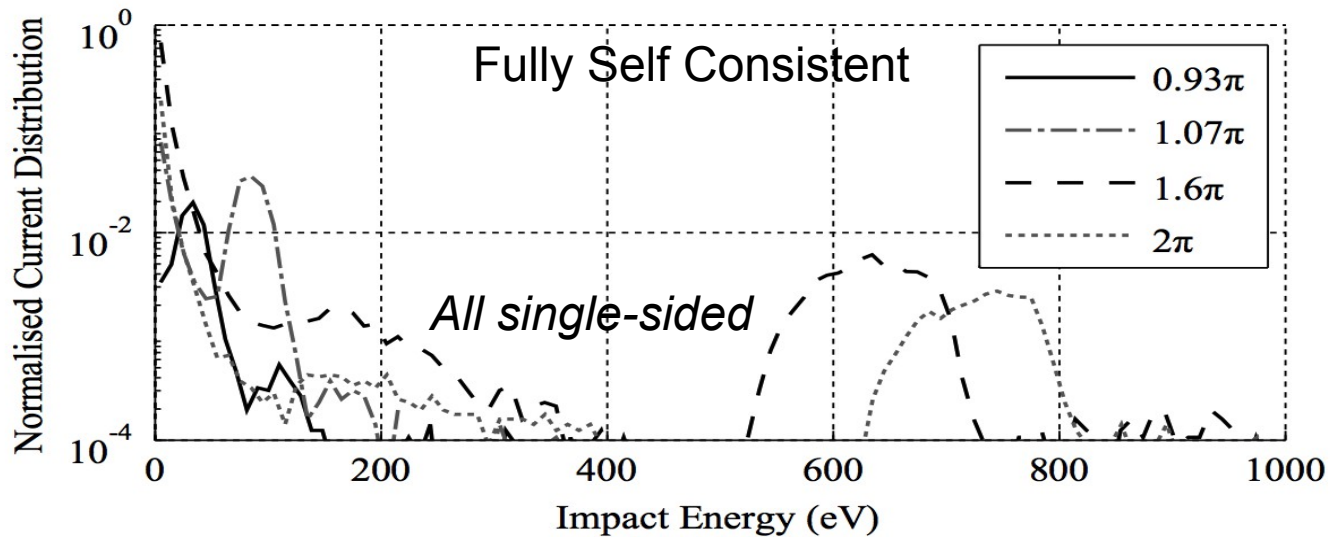
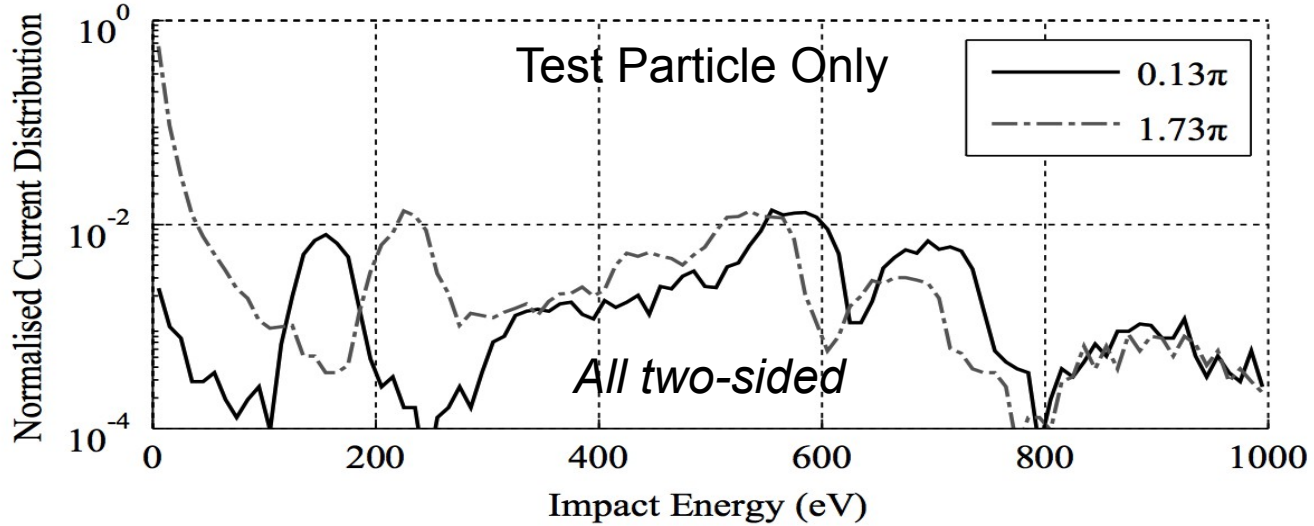


This model separates out the emitted electrons into low (blue), medium (green), and high (red) energy

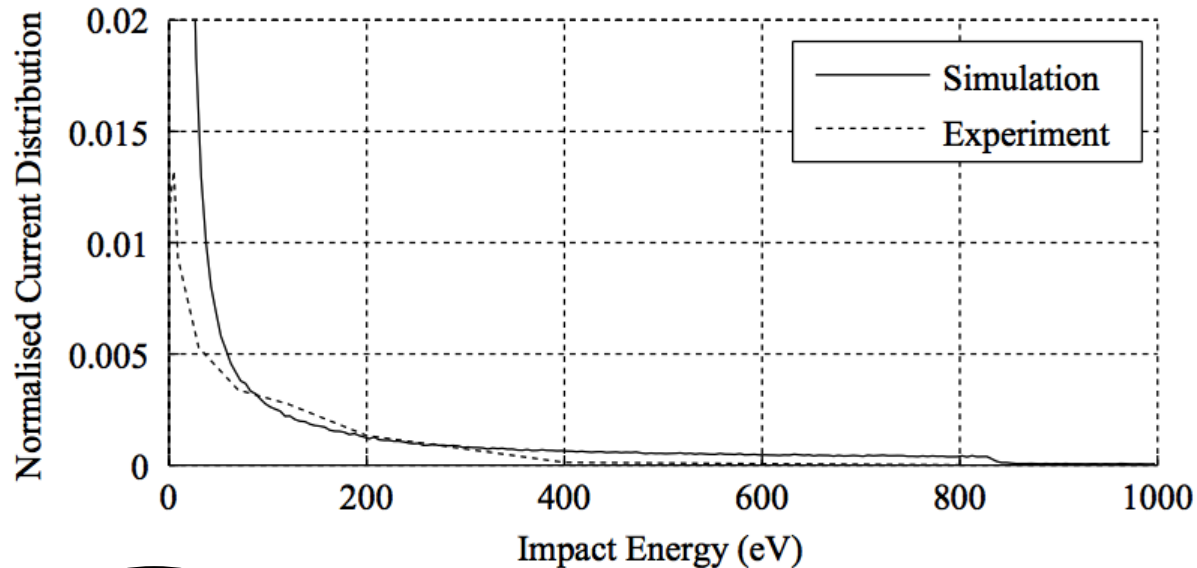
In the saturated state the electric field now depends on y-position



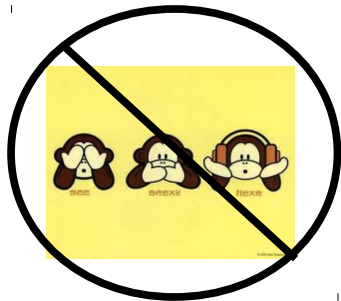
Self consistent, saturated multipacting has a different energy spectrum



Including saturation effects gives much better agreement between simulation and experiment

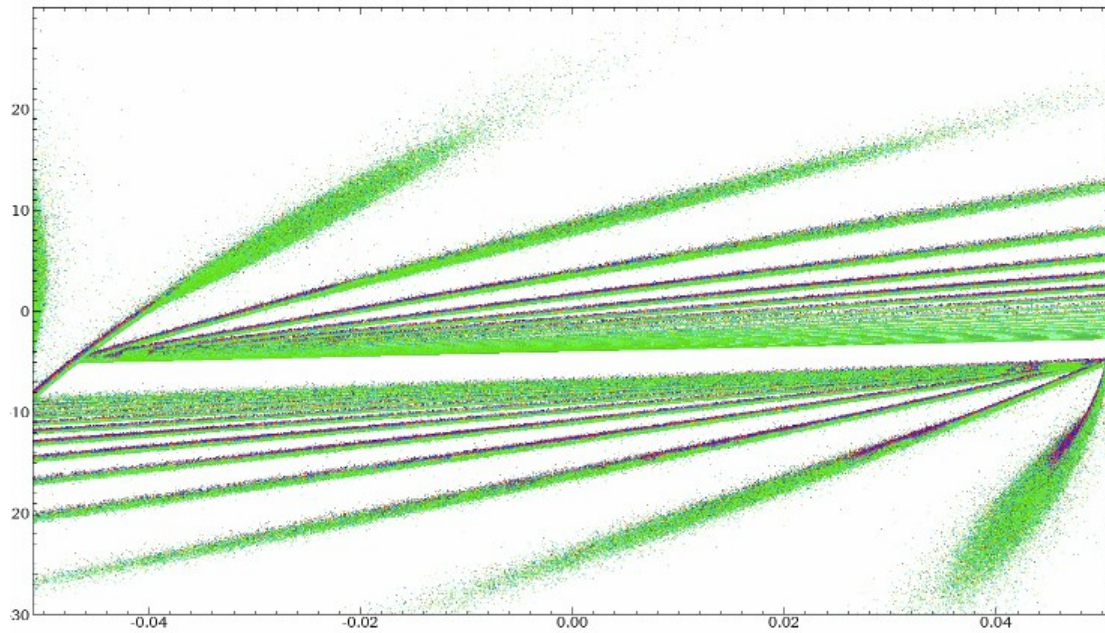


Peter:



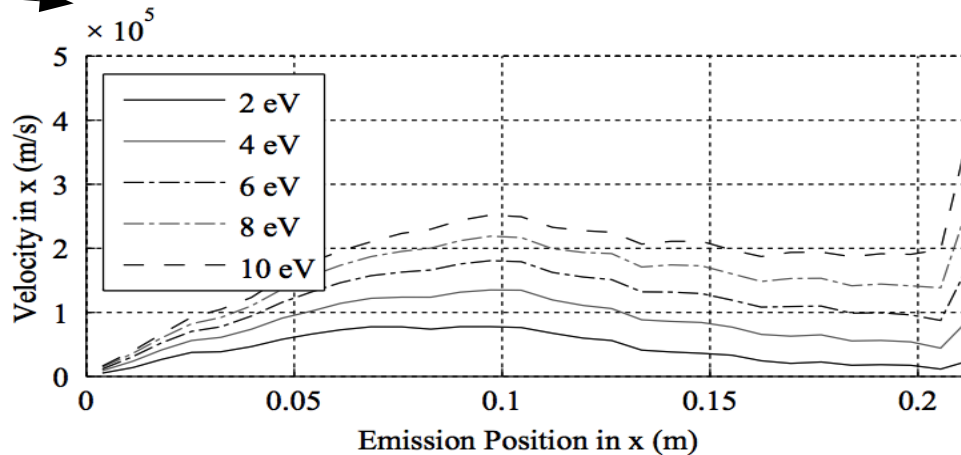
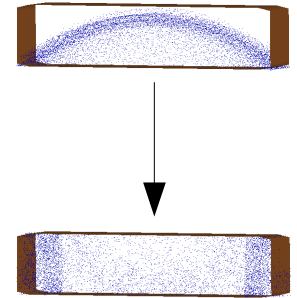
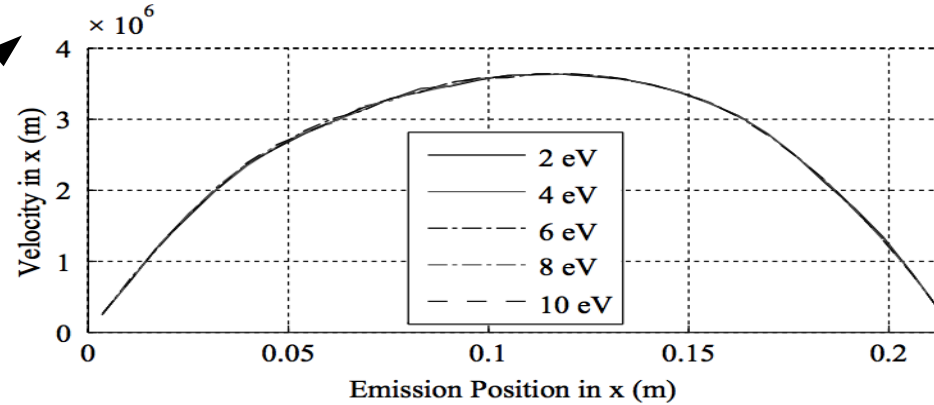
“I totally knew that was it...”

Thanks....

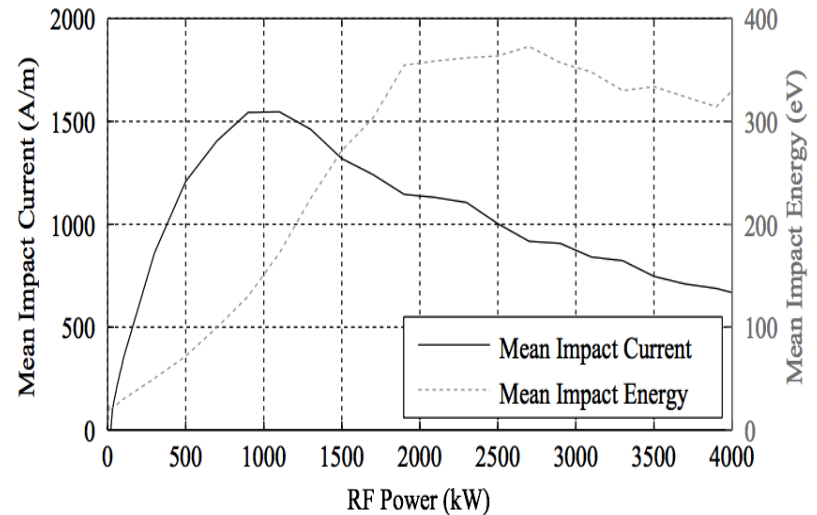
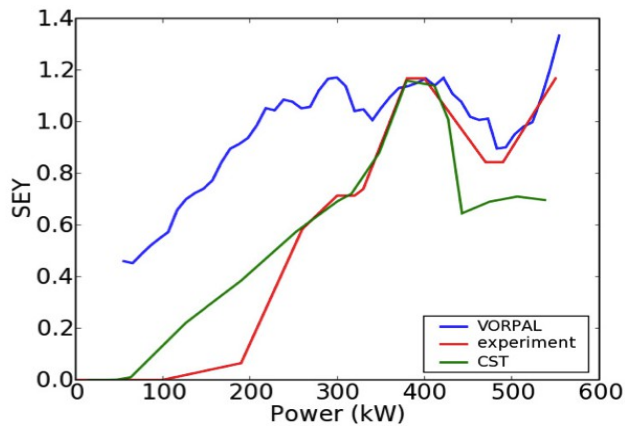


Ponderomotive push is reduced in saturated state

Order of magnitude different

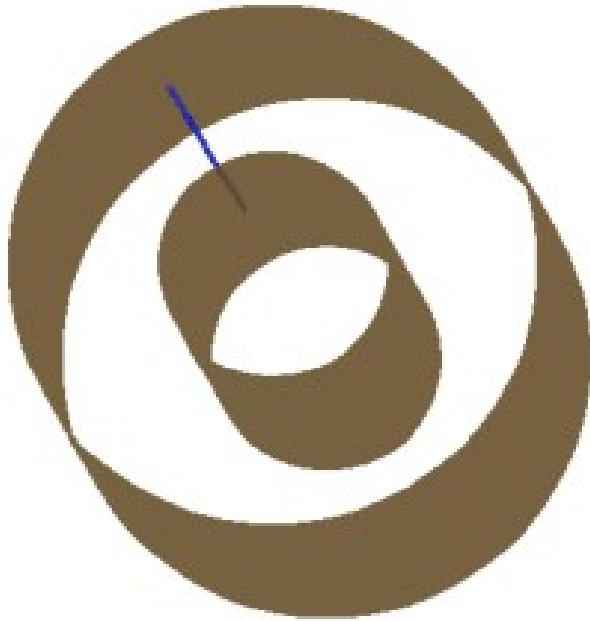


One more thing now that we don't understand...

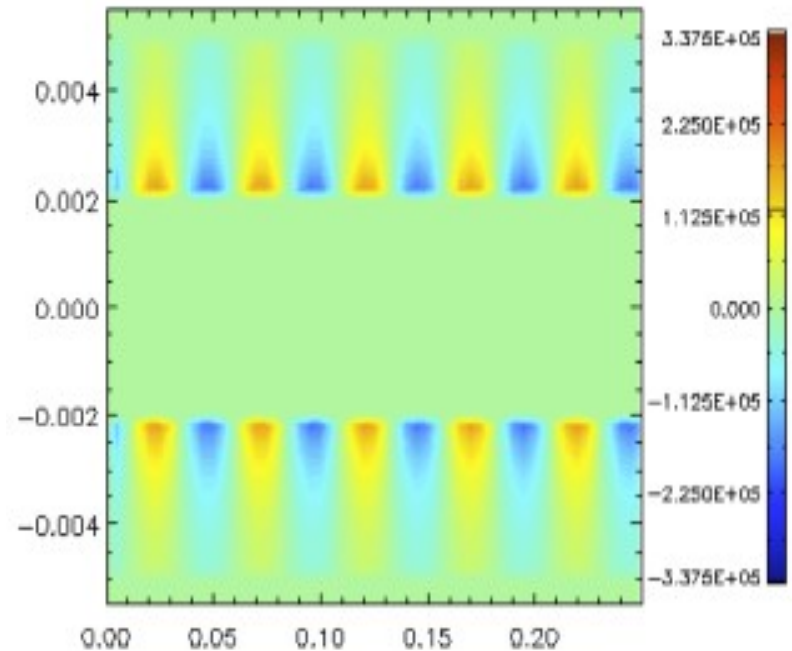


Why doesn't the current v. power agree better?

Scanning over power is the one thing everyone wants to do, but it's time consuming with a time domain code



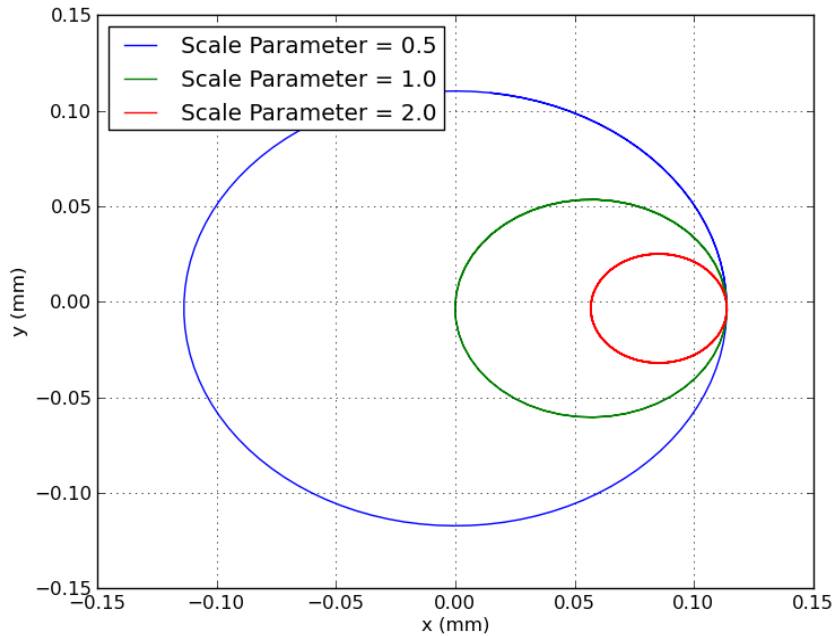
An example geometry and some seed electrons



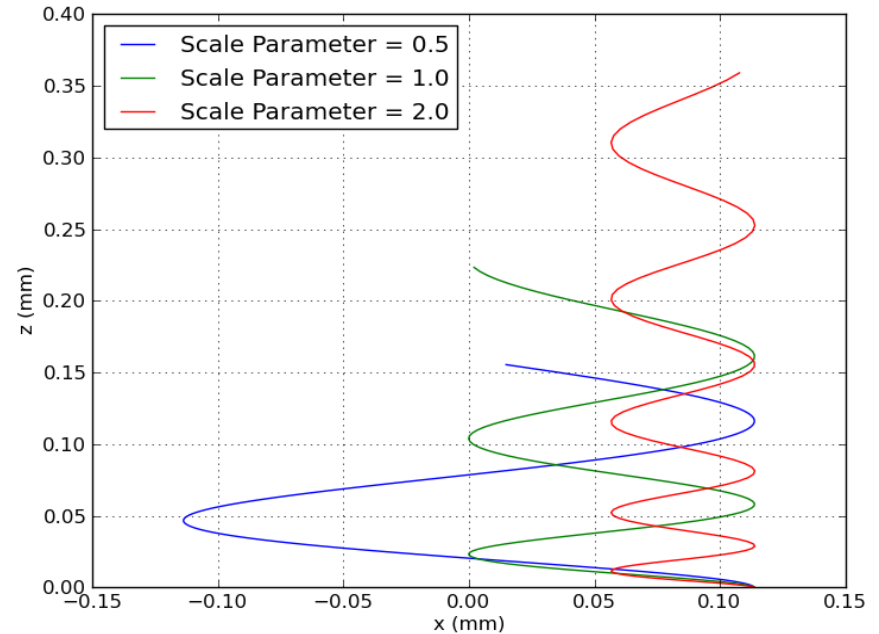
Electric field pattern is the same for all power levels....can't we exploit that?



We implemented particles that experience different field strengths in the same simulation



Gyro-radius scales inversely with scaling parameter demonstrating proper scaling for magnetic field



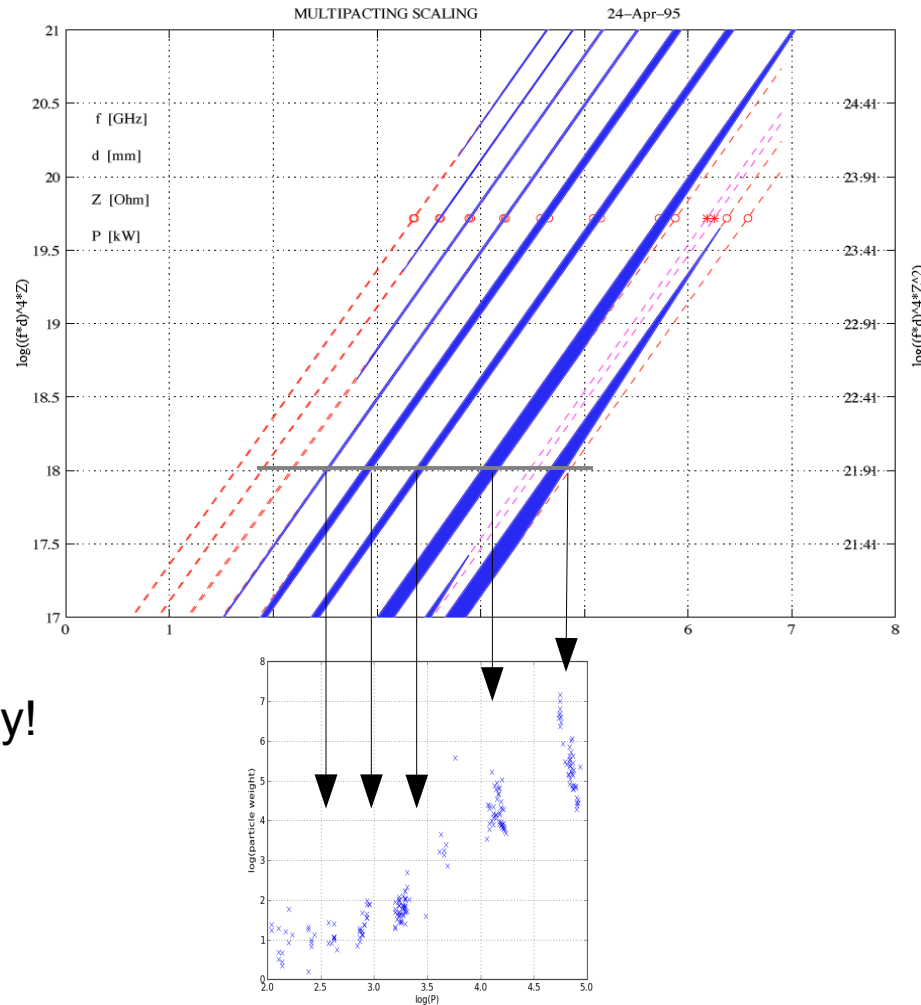
Distance traveled scales with the square of scaling parameter demonstrating proper scaling for electric field

Test particle only!

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The “field scaling” multipacting simulation agree with theoretical resonances in a coax



Test particle only!