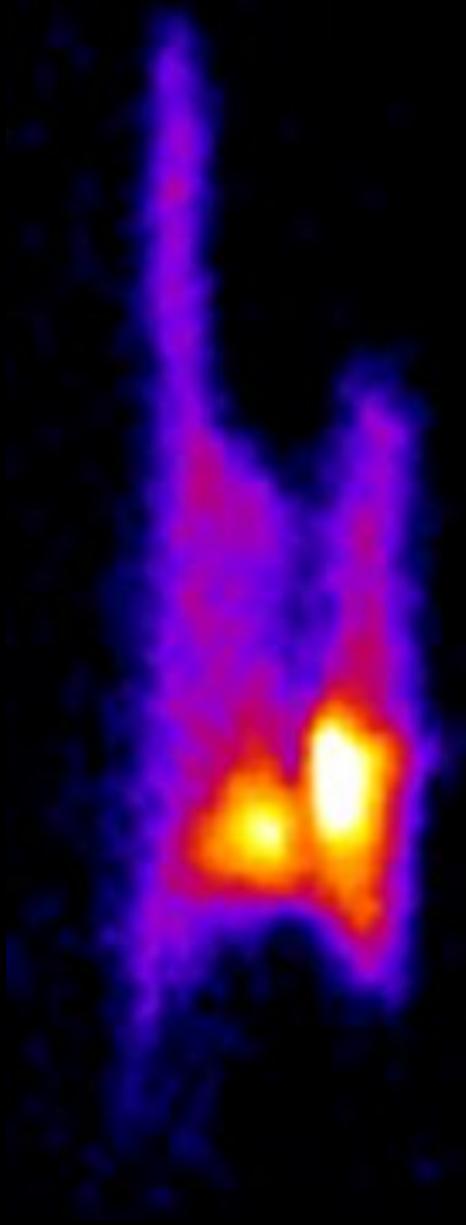


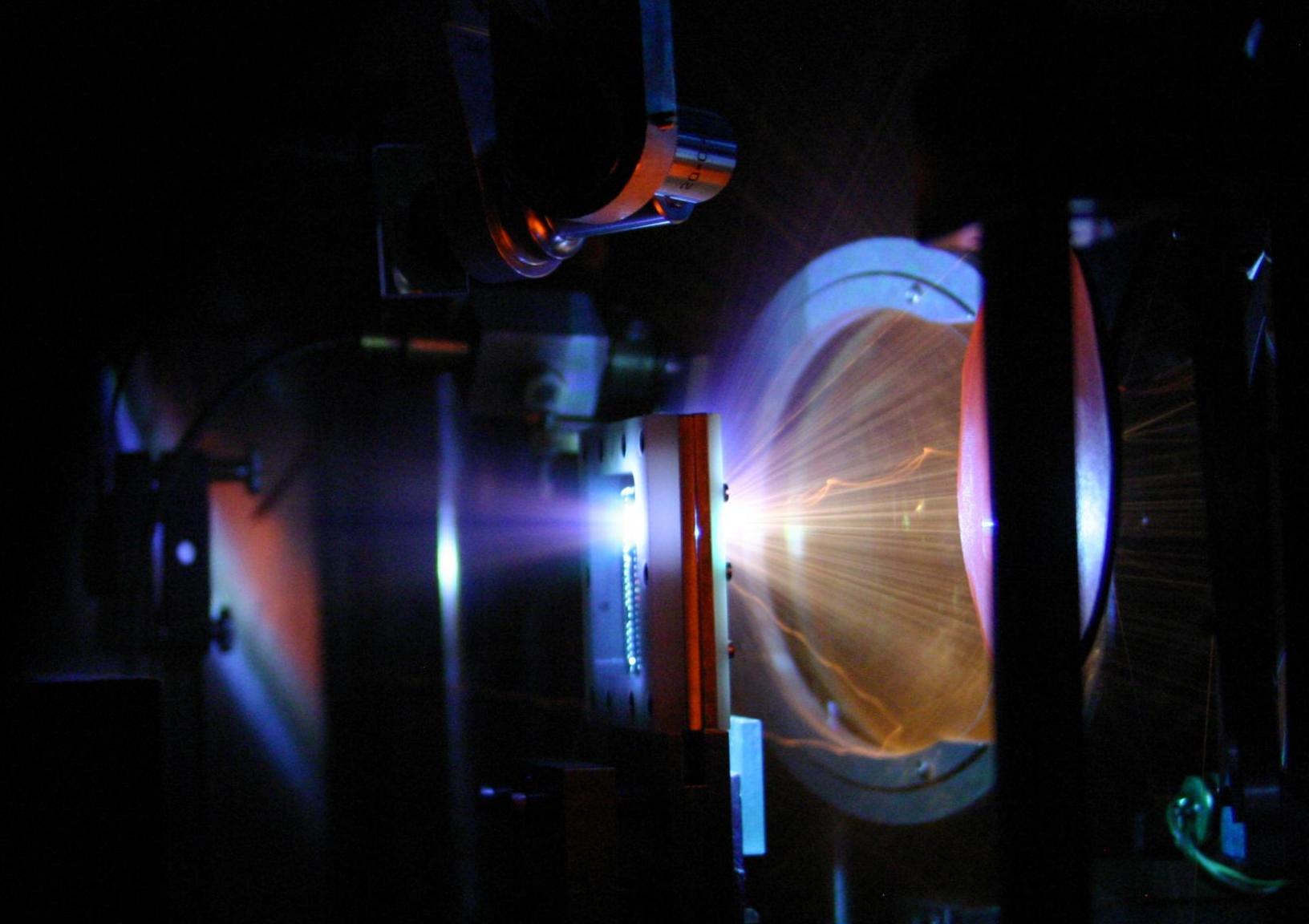
# Beyond “single-shot” simulations

## *Can we simulate what is measured?*

Michael Bussmann



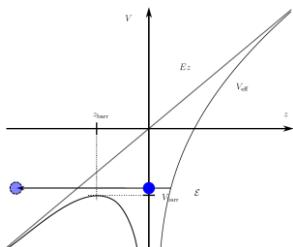
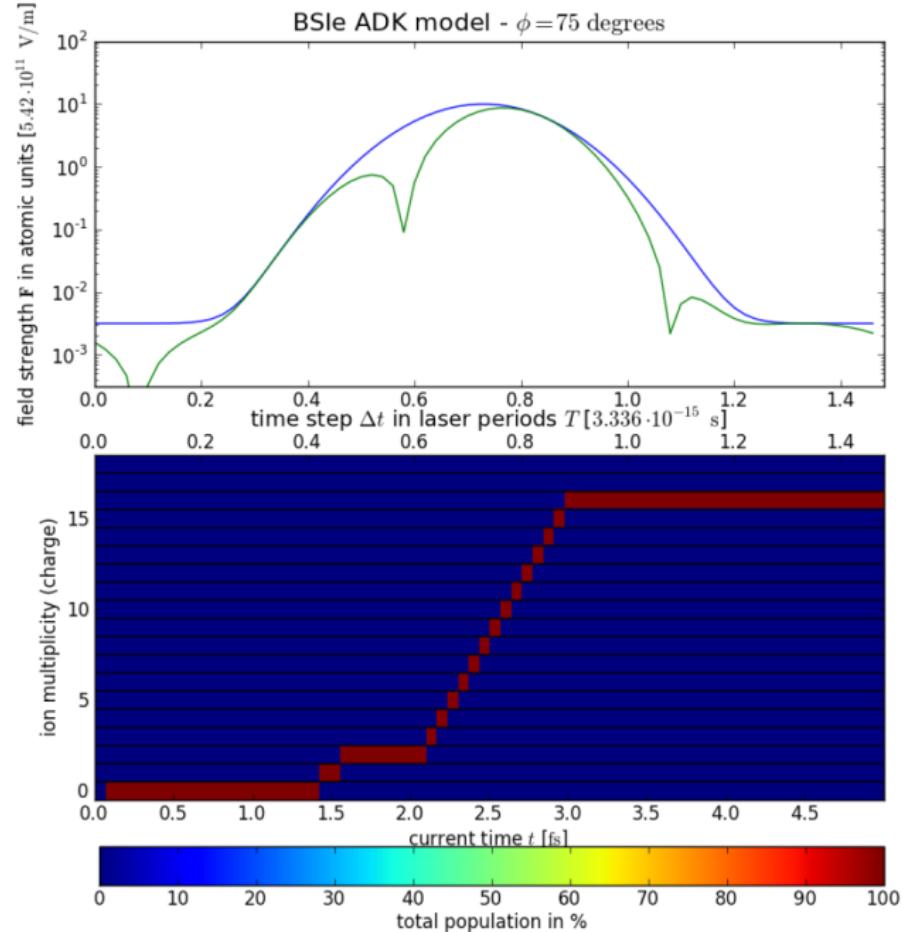
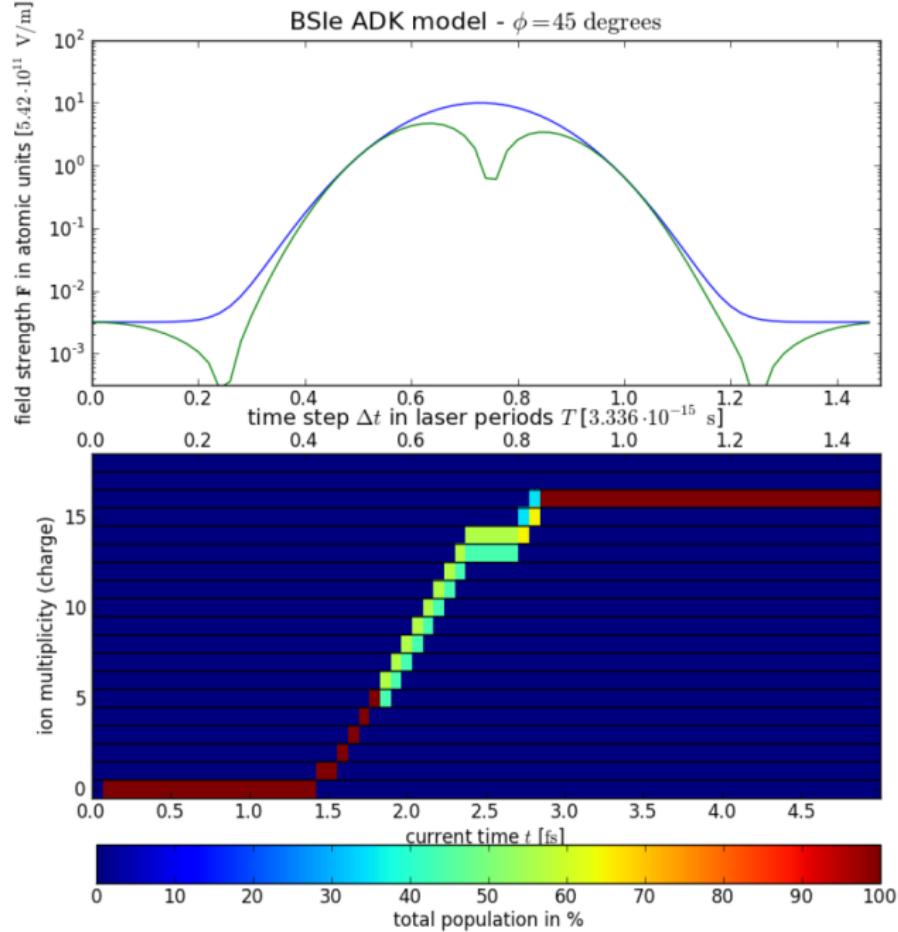




# Stochastic Variations

*,,The Experimentalists won't tell us where each ion sits!"*

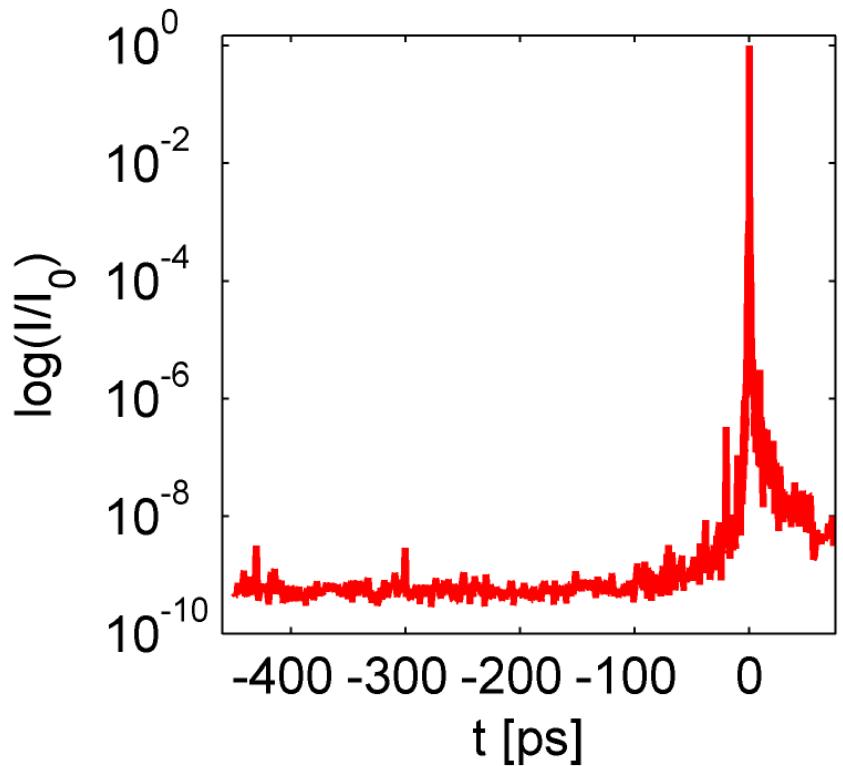
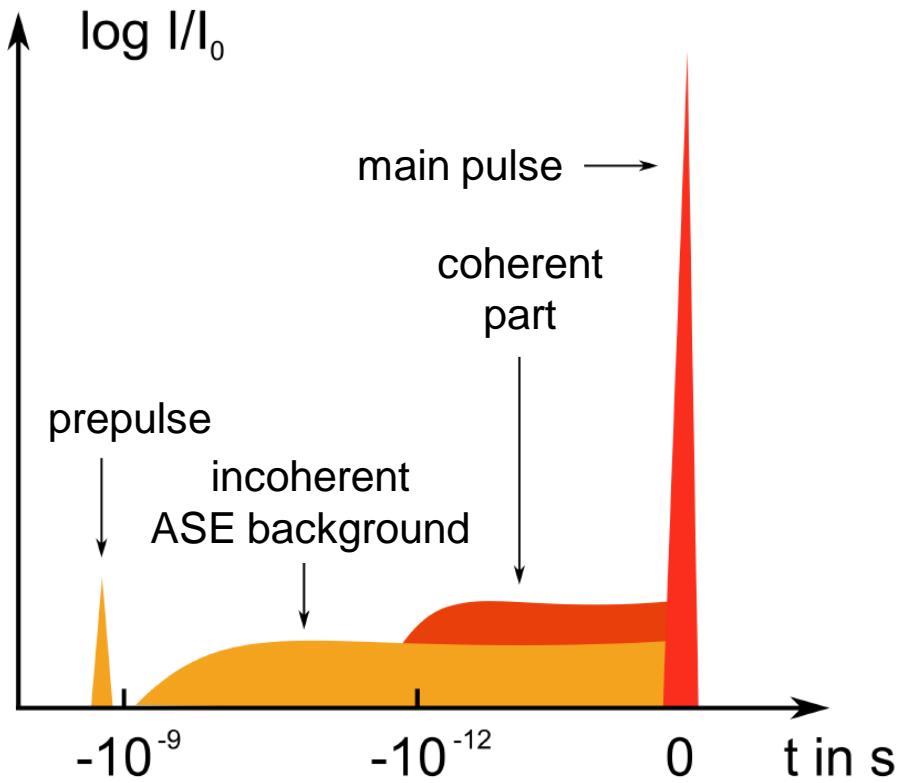
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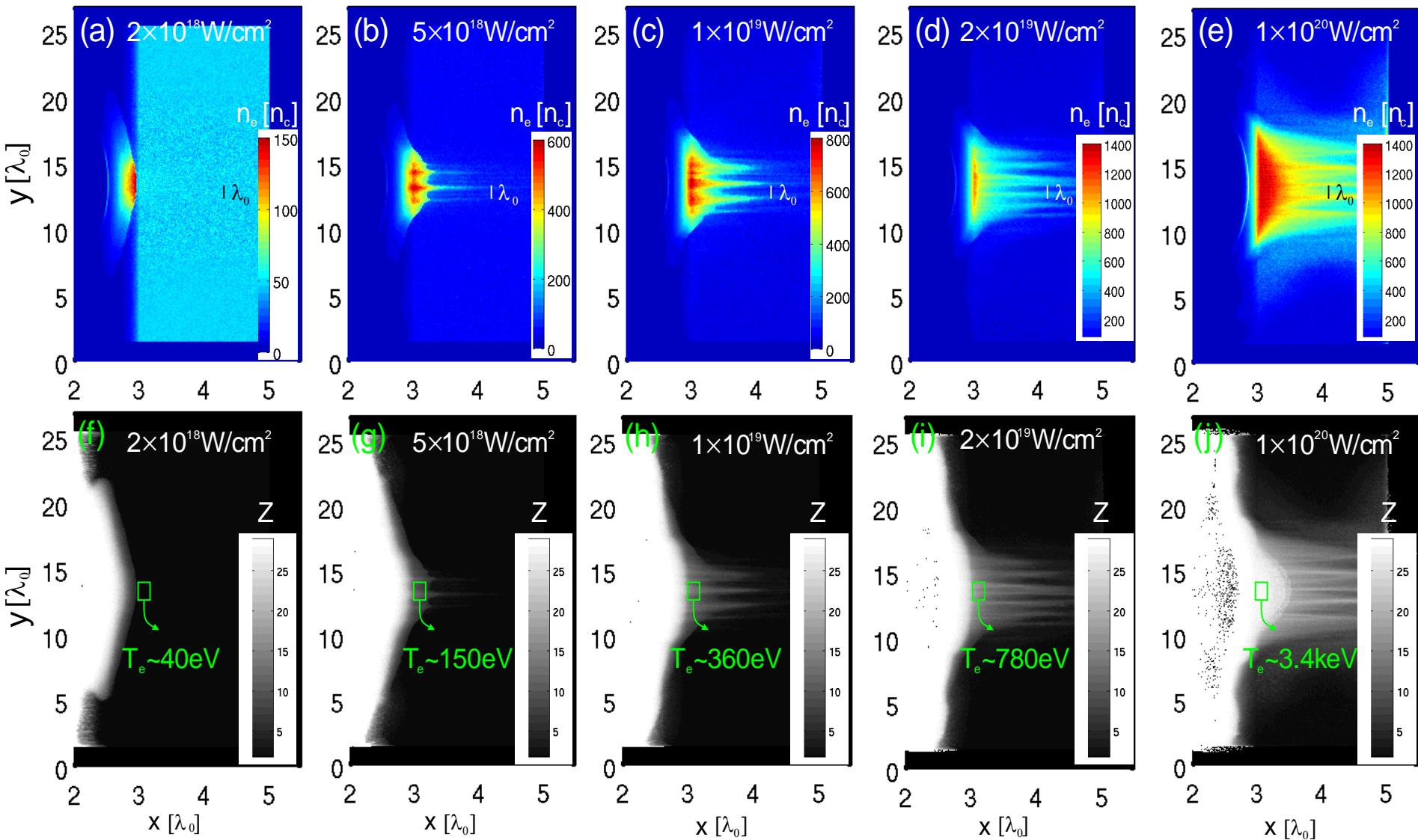
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# At best we know the Laser Contrast



# Laser Intensity influences Electron Dynamics at the Critical Density

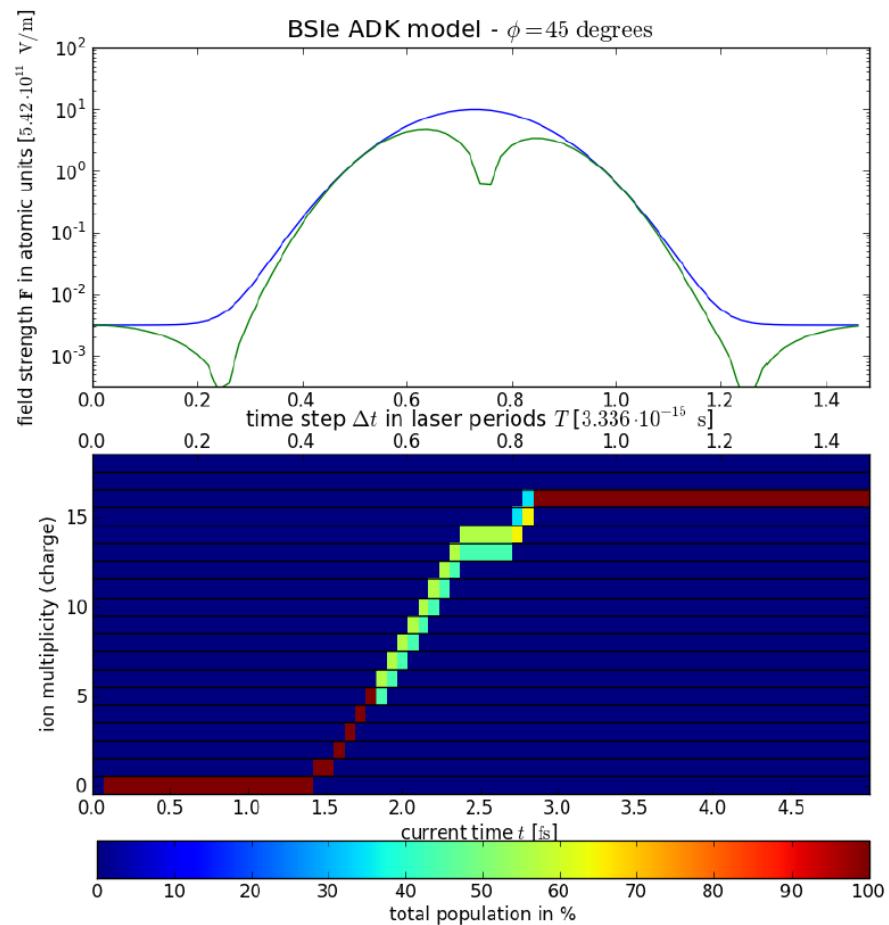
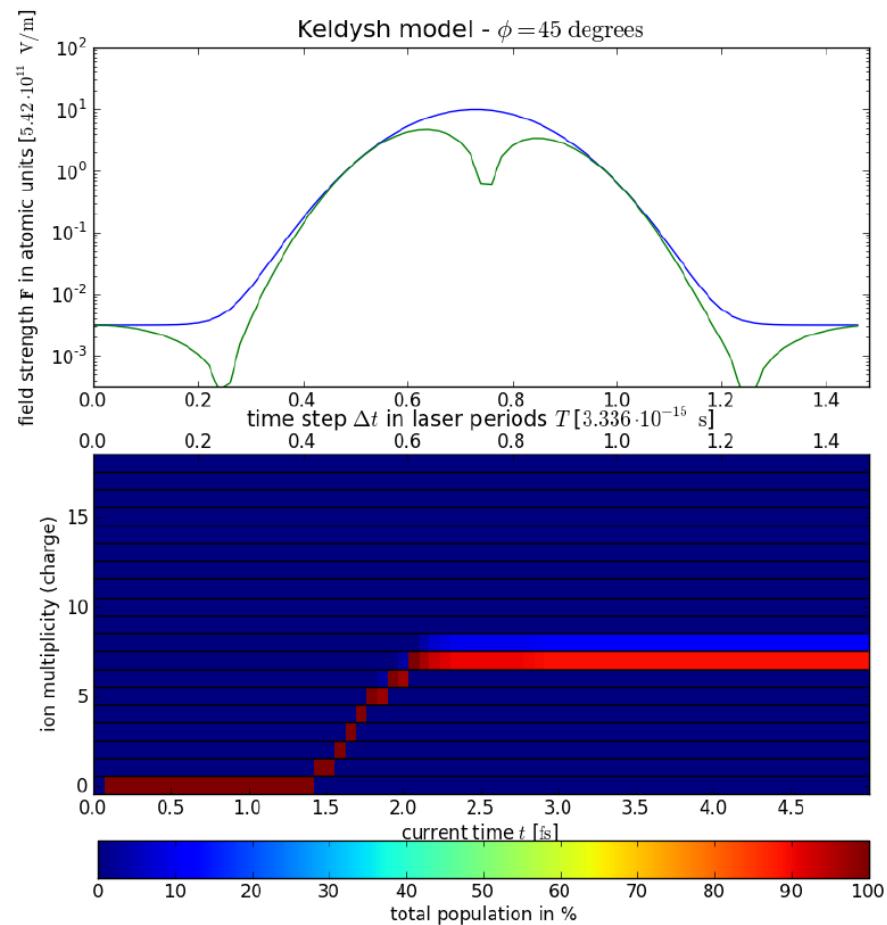


**Repeat simulations**  
with varying microscopic setups  
representing the same macroscopic conditions

# Systematic Variations

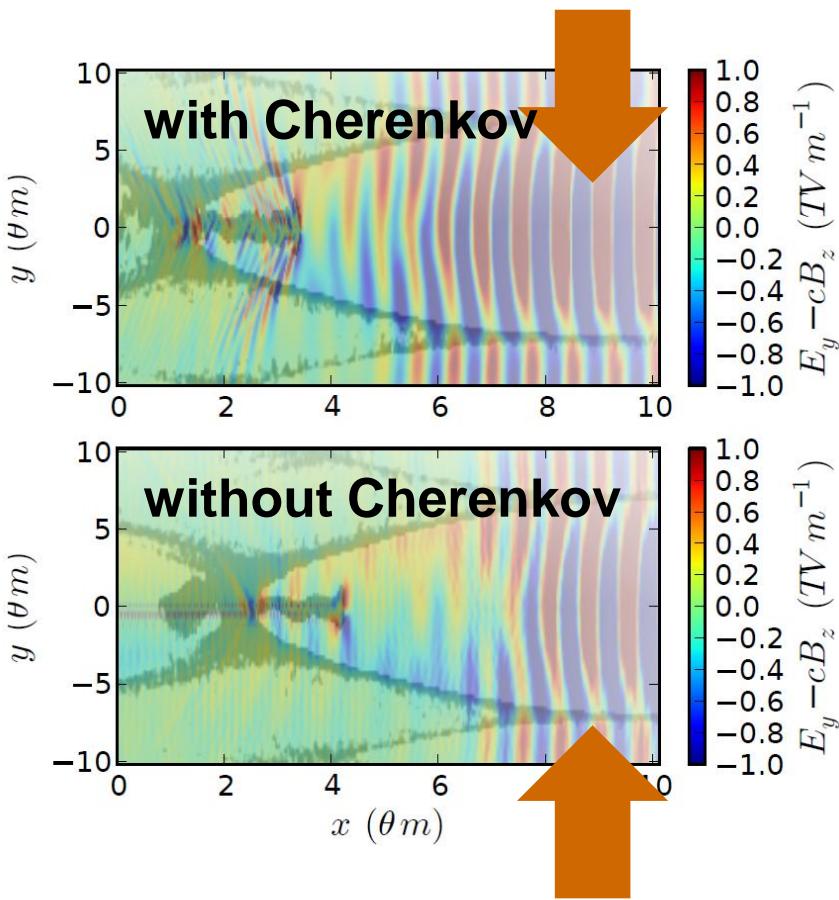
*„The Theoreticians said they had field ionization included!“*

# Choice of Field Ionization Model determines Charge State

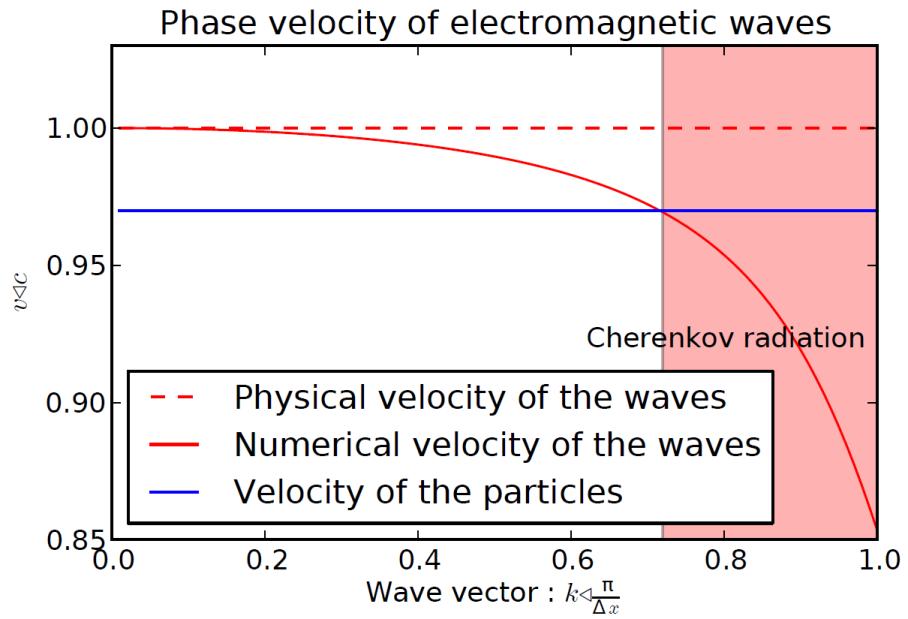


# Choice of Field Solver determines Electron Beam Parameters

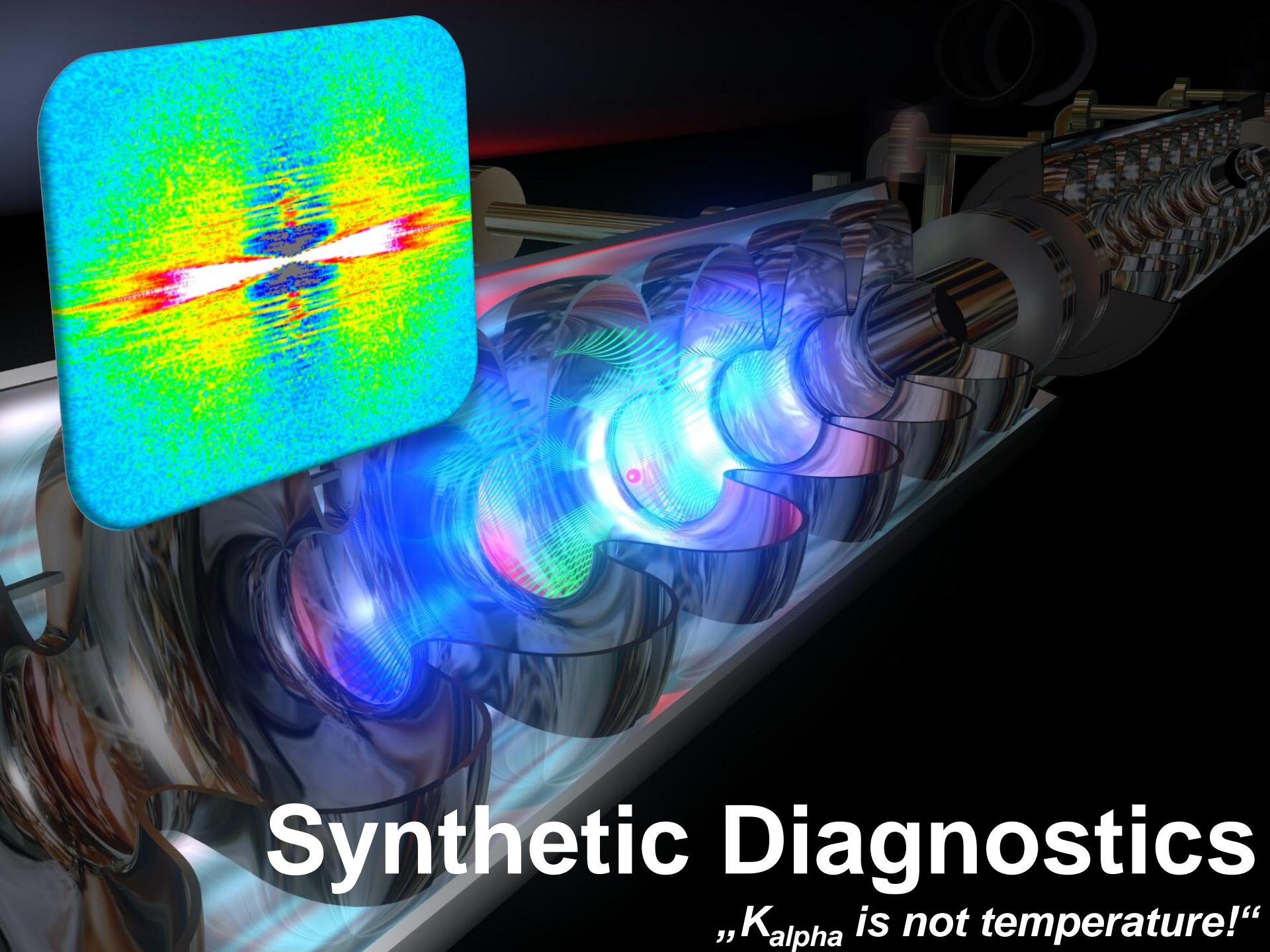
emittance is increased



temporal dynamics changed



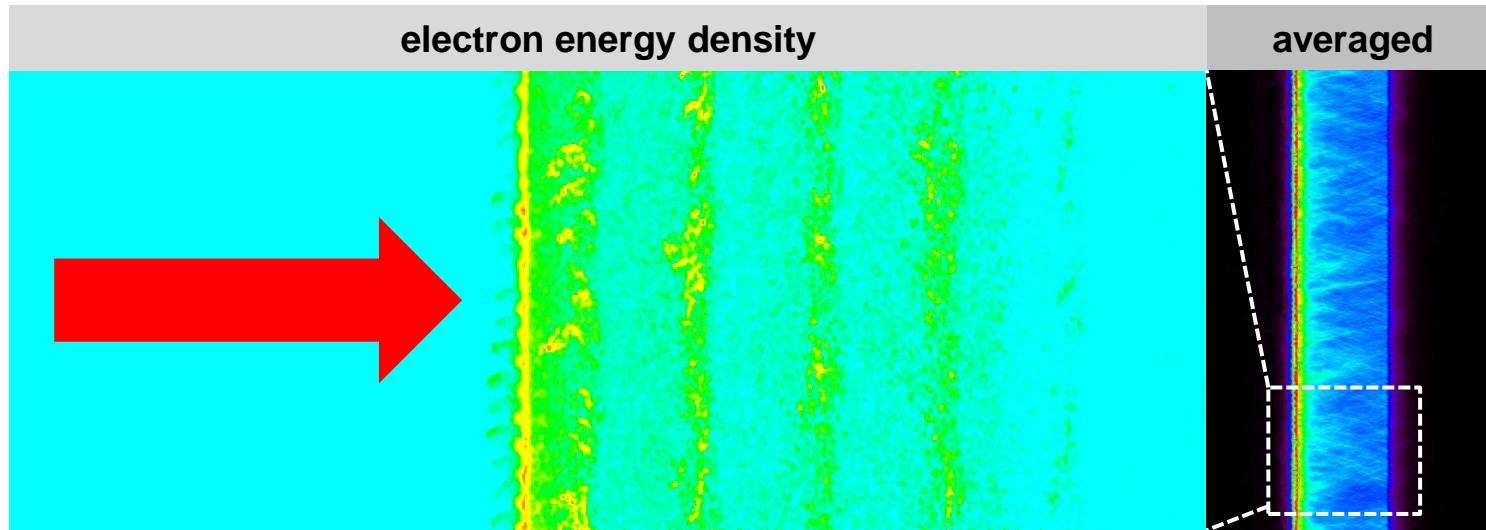
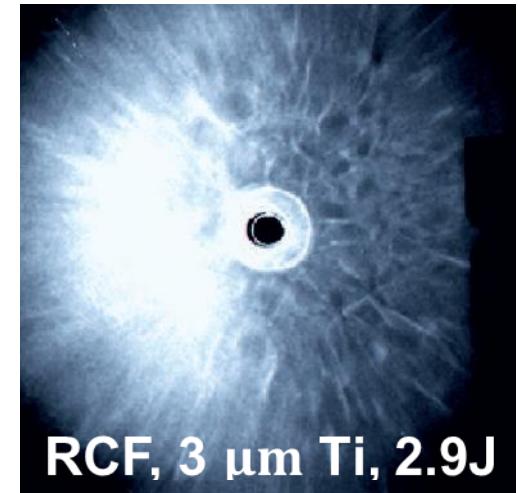
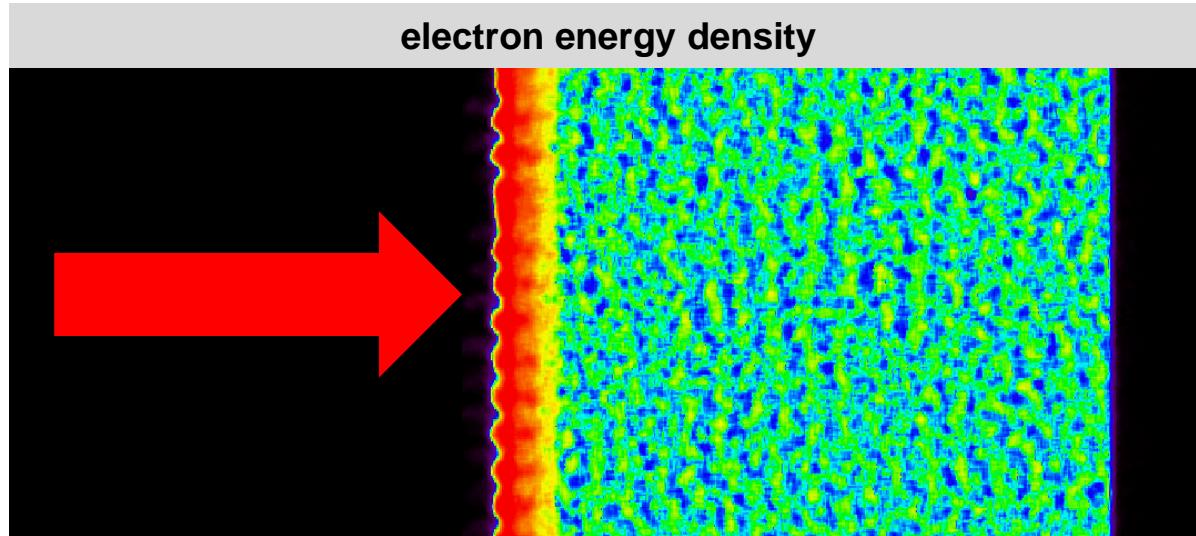
**Repeat simulations**  
with varying numerical methods  
to see systematic effects



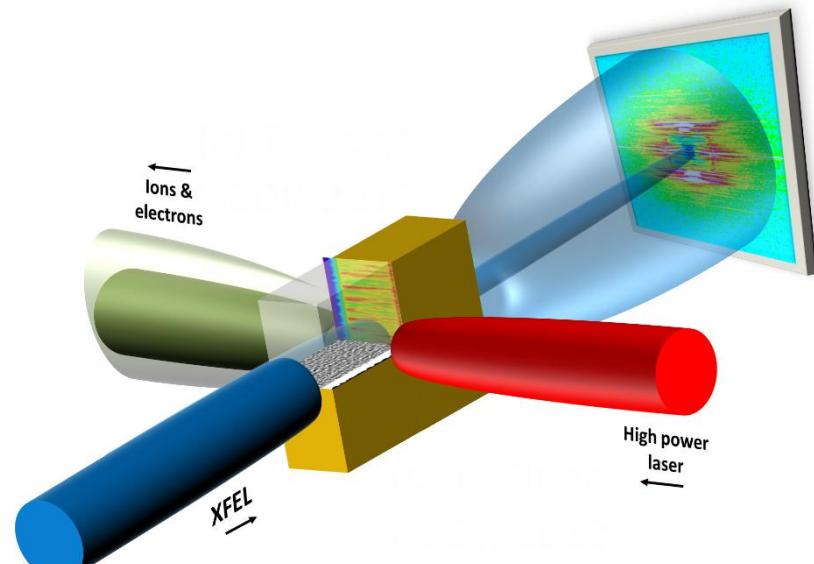
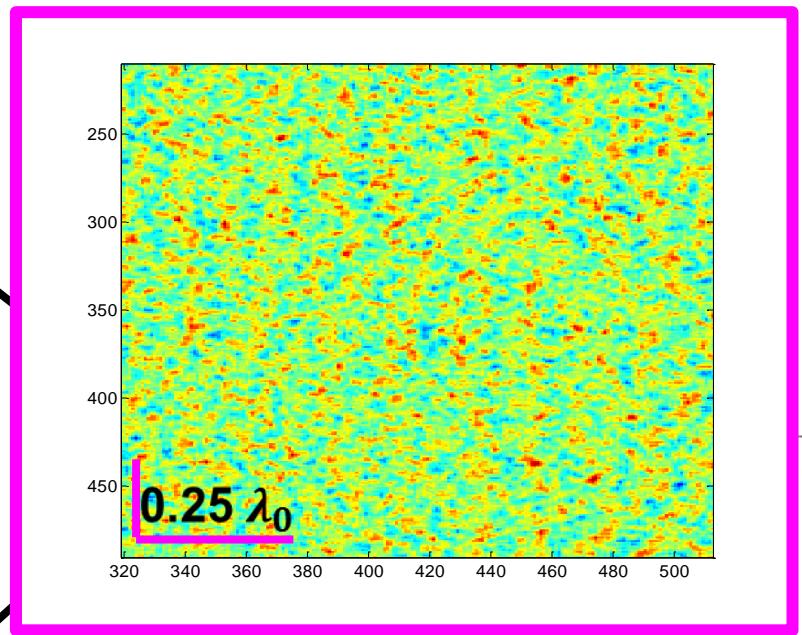
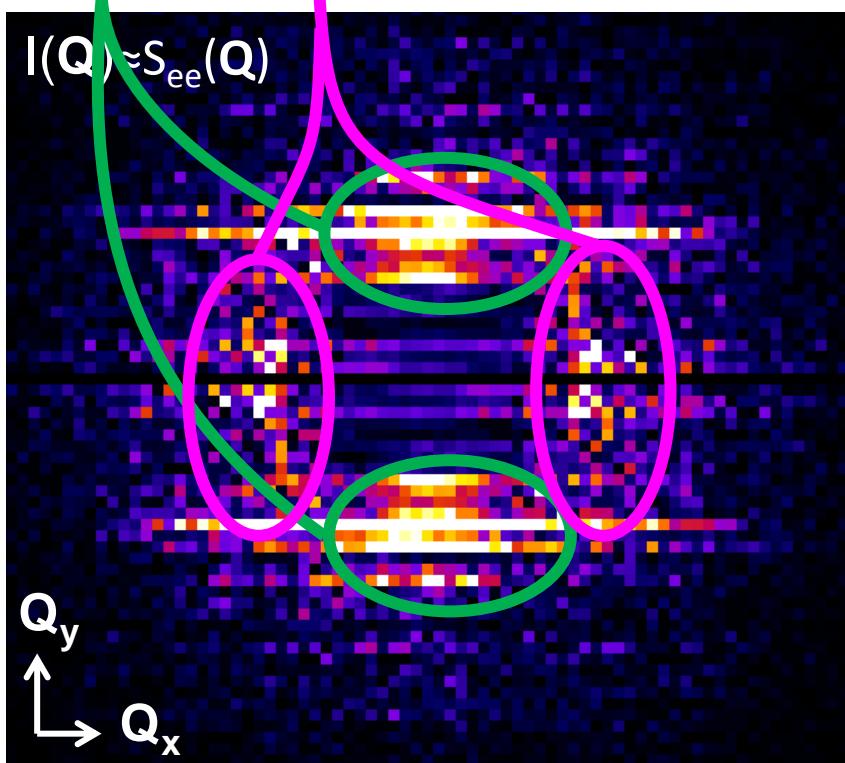
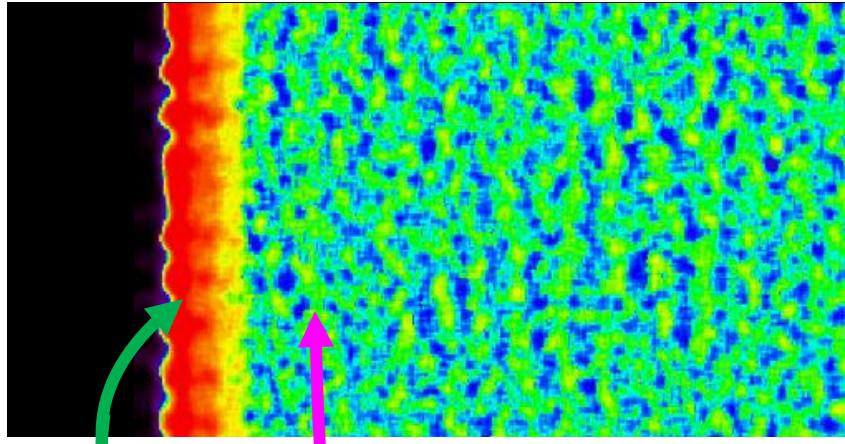
# Synthetic Diagnostics

*,,K<sub>alpha</sub> is not temperature!“*

# Front-side Instabilities can change Proton Beam Structure



# Computing the Small Angle X-Ray Scattering Signal of the Plasma

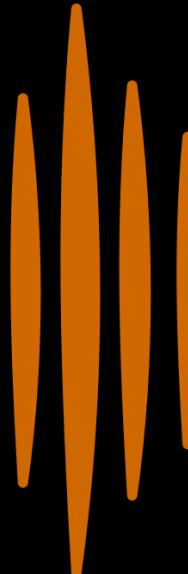


**Simulate ALL physical effects**  
including those used for  
experimental diagnostics

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The Power  
of Many

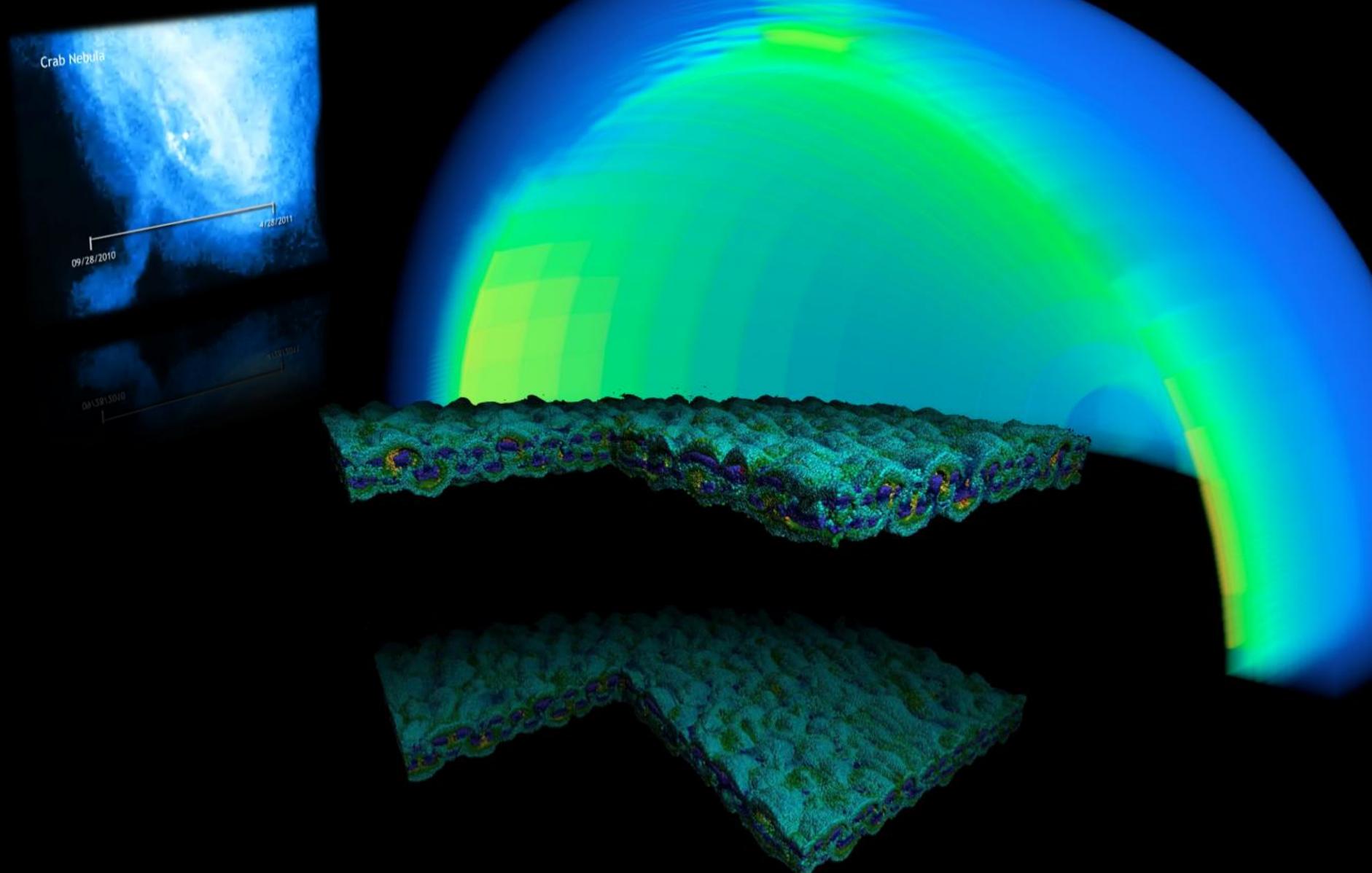
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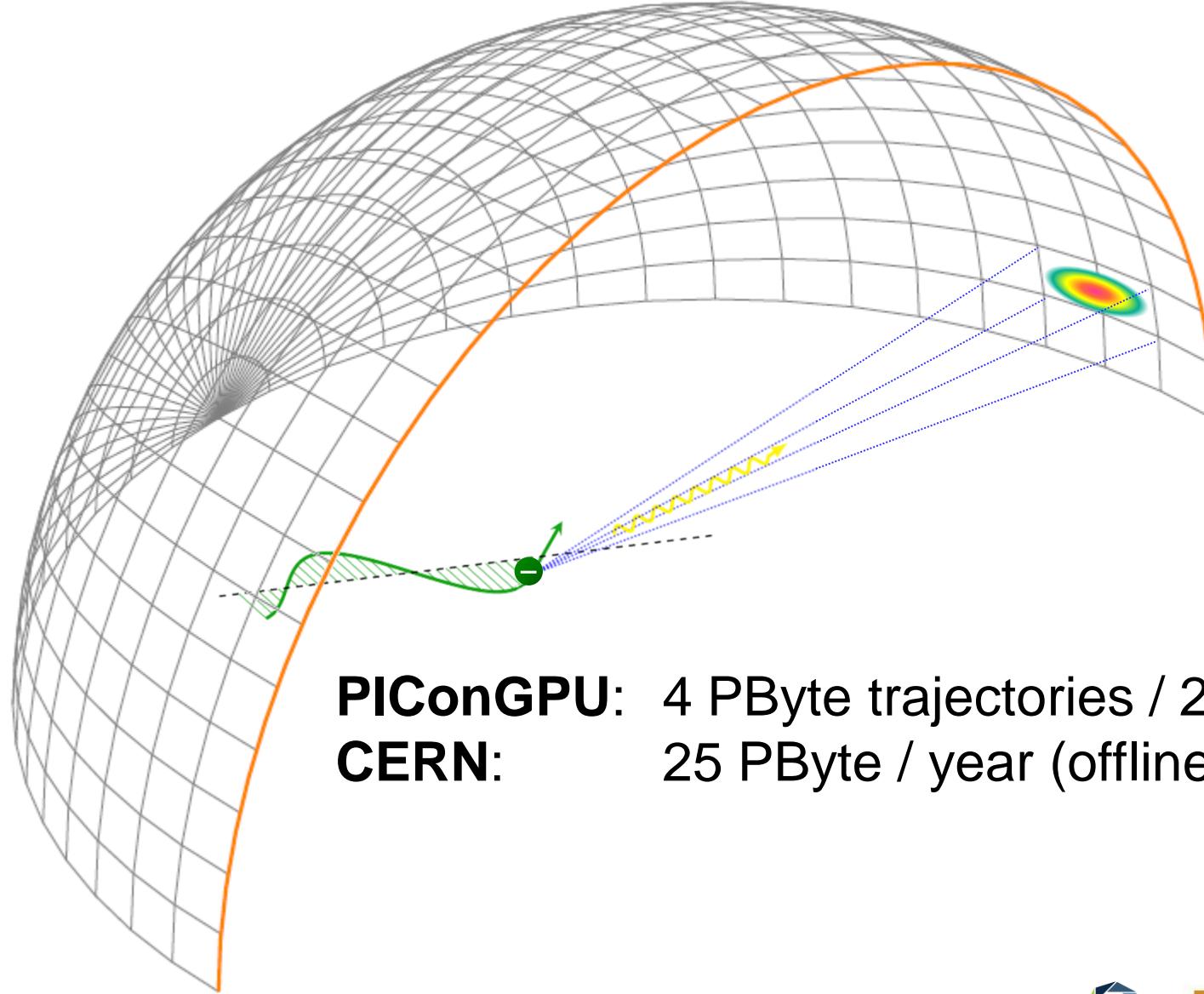
- *Built to simulate Laser-Plasma Interaction*
- *Built for the Community*
- *Free for Download*
- *Open Source (GPL, LGPL)*

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# Relativistic KHI with almost $10^{12}$ Particles

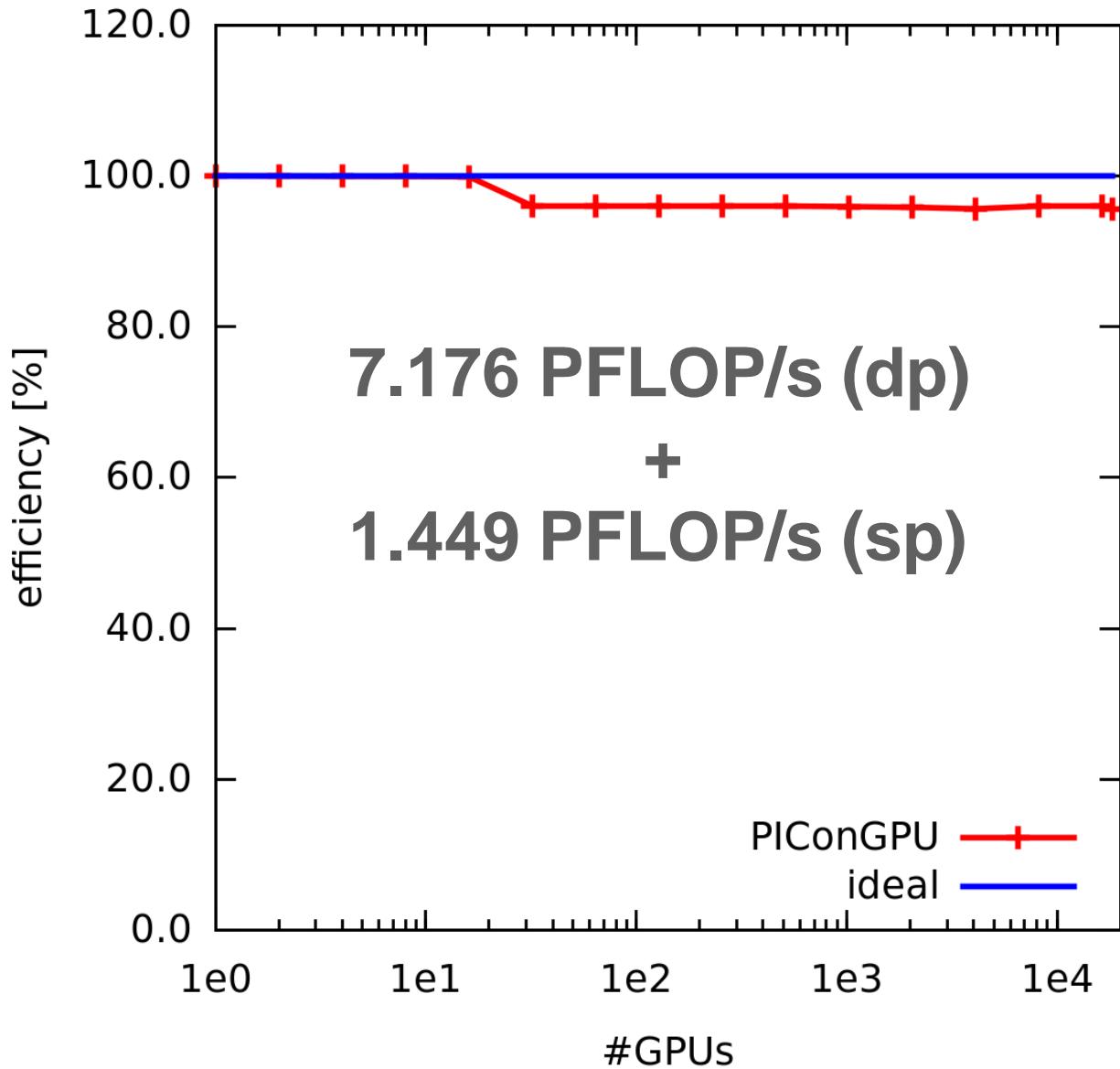


# Radiation of EACH PARTICLE for 512 Frequencies, 481 Directions



**PIConGPU:** 4 PByte trajectories / 2 hours  
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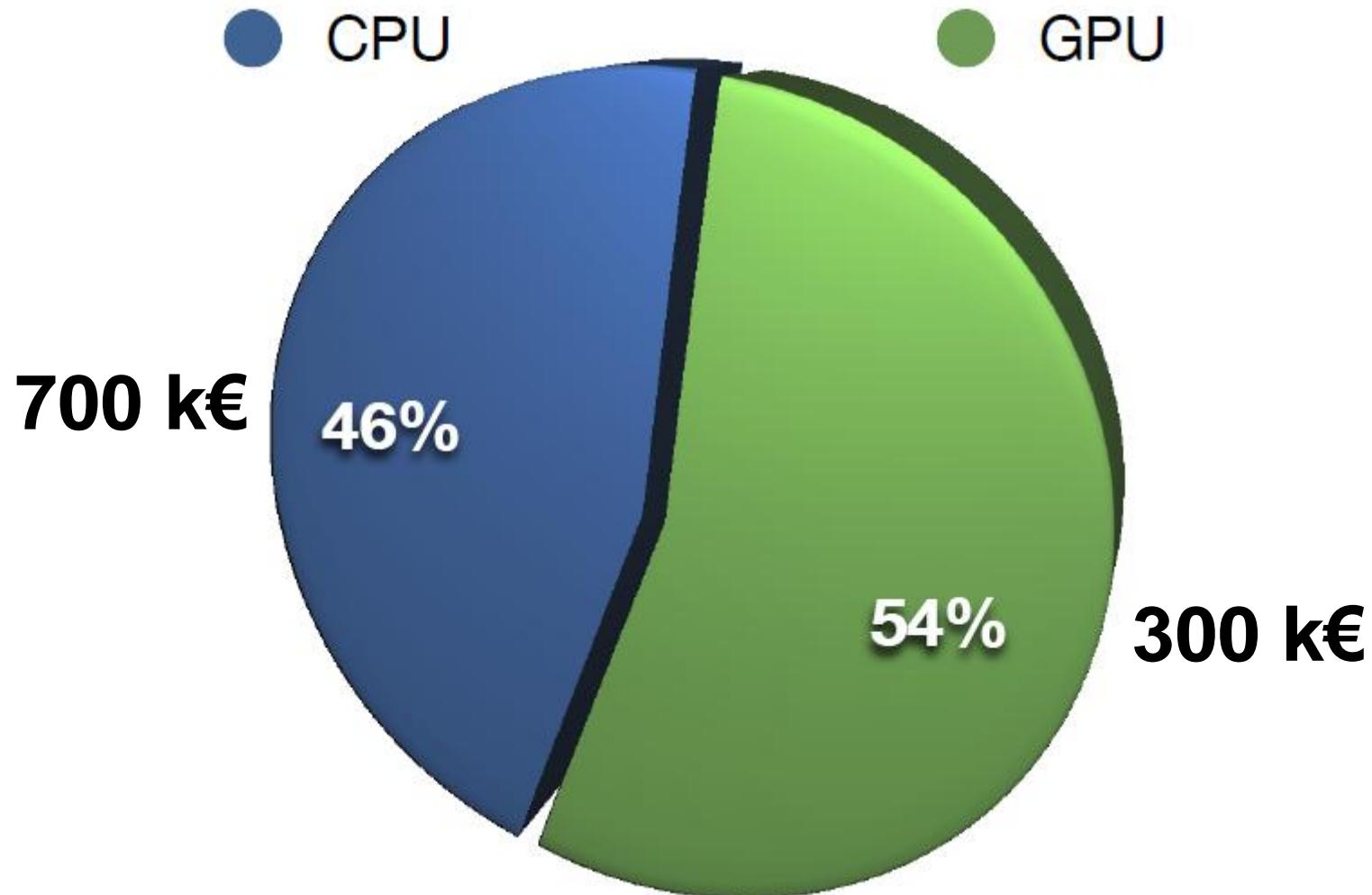
# PIConGPU – Weak Scaling 1 to 18,432 Nodes



Efficiency  
96%

Money, money, money....

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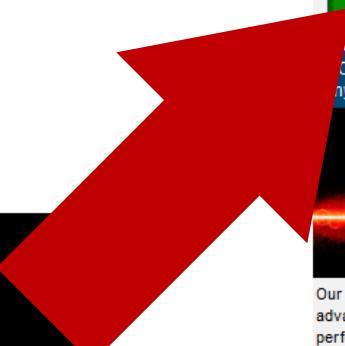
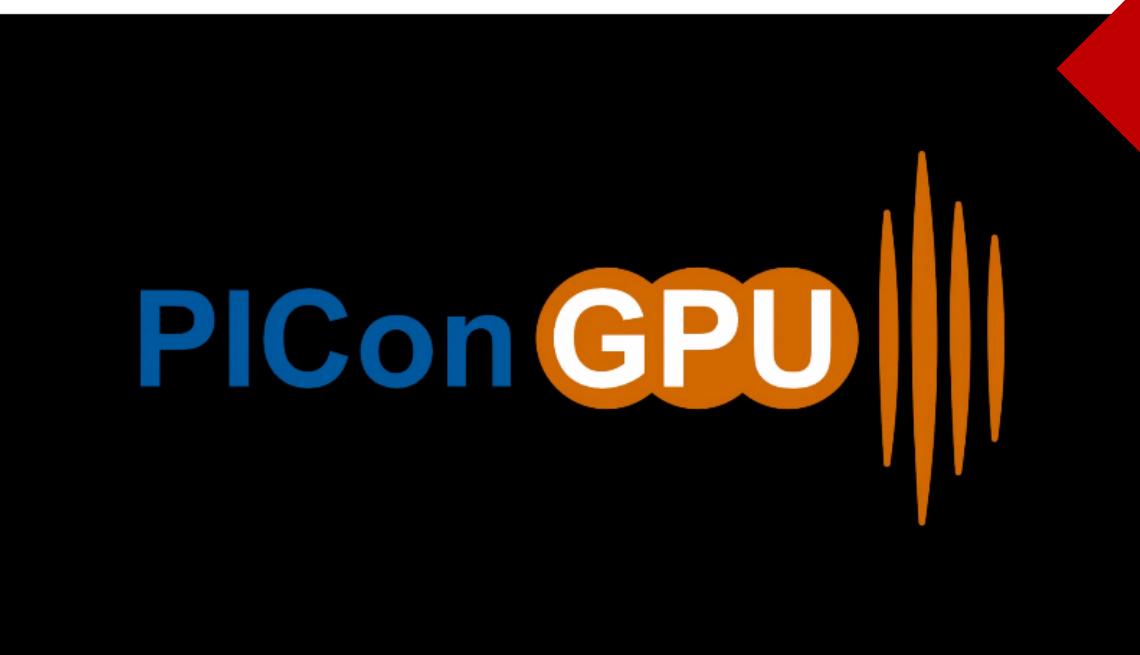
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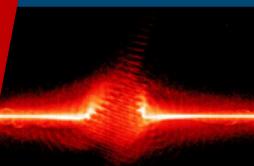


PIConGPU - A Many-GPGPU Particle-in-Cell Code



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