

High-Power Picosecond Pulse Recirculation for Inverse Compton Scattering

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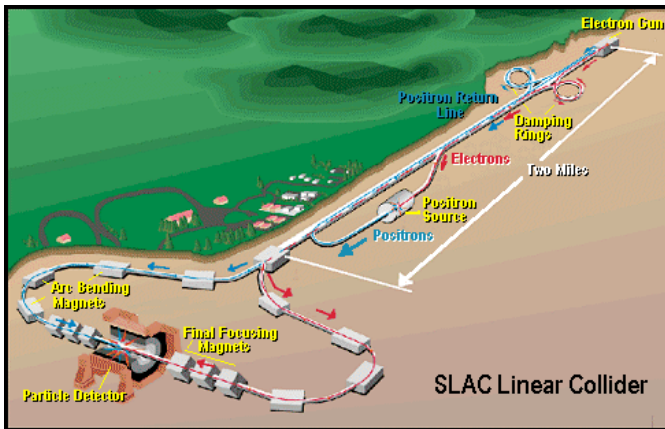
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Outline

- Motivation and prior work
- Recirculation Injection by Nonlinear Gating (RING)
- Experimental results
- Modeling / Scaling
- Applications: ILC and others

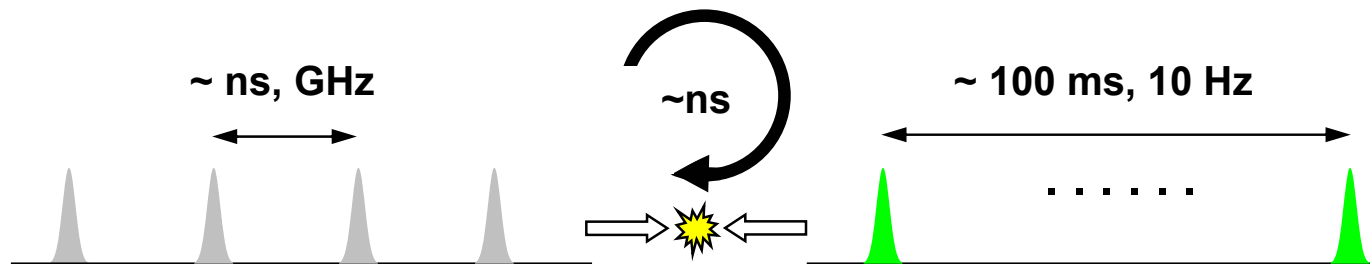
Motivation: repetition rates of LINACs vs high-energy lasers



$f_{\text{LINAC}} \sim 1 \text{ GHz}$

$f_{\text{Laser}} \sim 10 \text{ Hz}$

$$f_{\text{LINAC}}/f_{\text{Laser}} \sim 10^8$$



$$\sigma = 0.665 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2, \eta < 10^{-8} - 10^{-10}$$

Prior work: resonant cavity enhancement of mode-locked lasers



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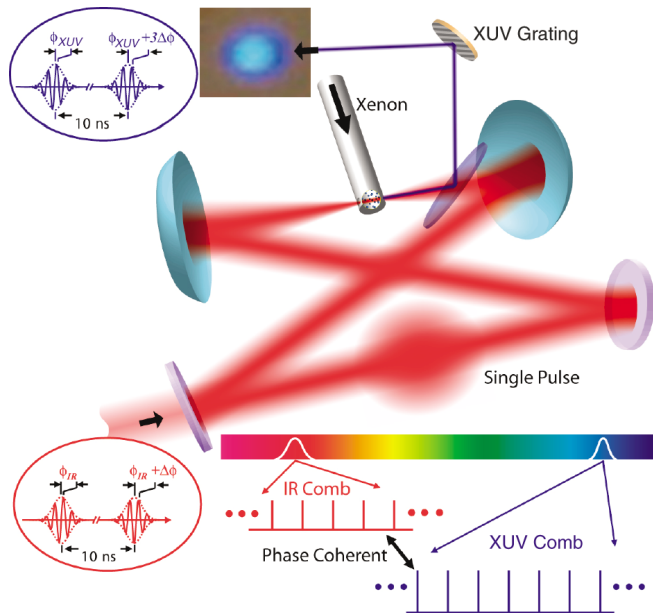
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Phase-Coherent Frequency Combs in the Vacuum Ultraviolet via High-Harmonic Generation inside a Femtosecond Enhancement Cavity

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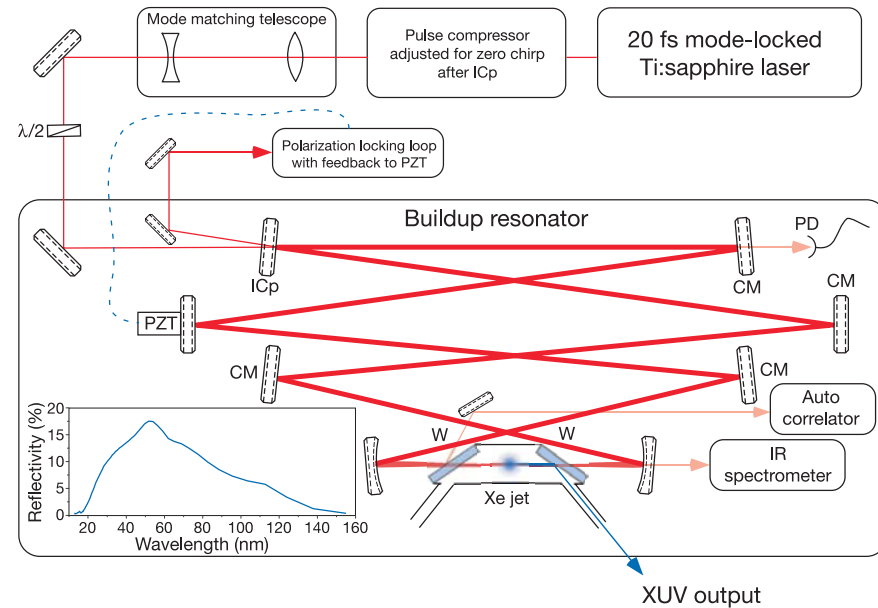
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A frequency comb in the extreme ultraviolet

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Resonant cavity coupling applied to ILC



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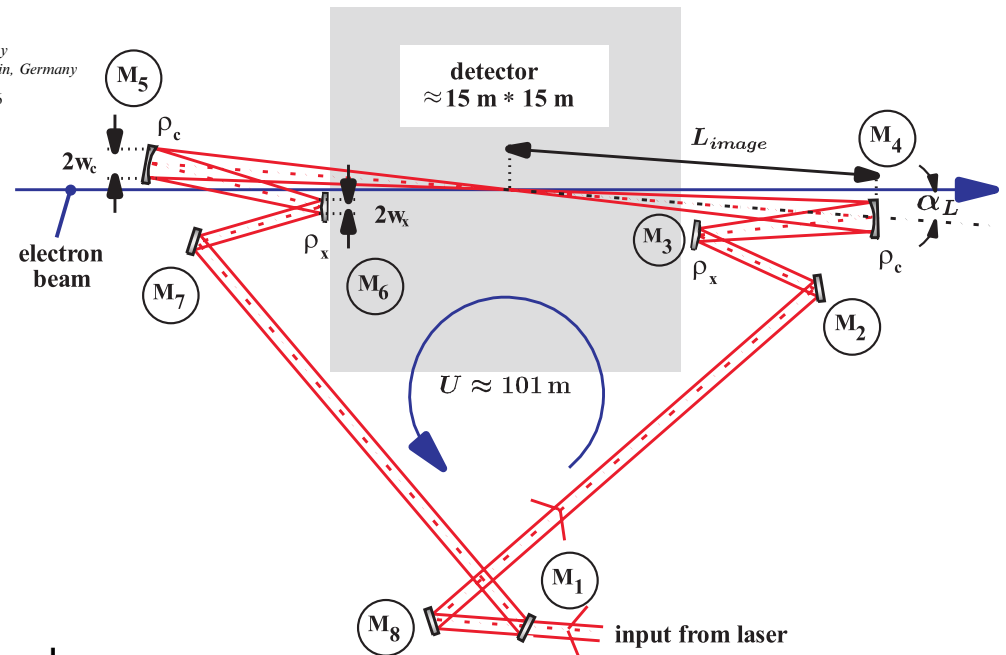
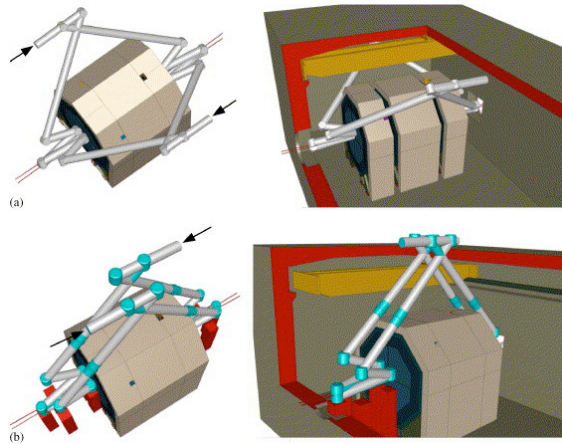
Design study of an optical cavity for a future photon collider at ILC

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Interferometric alignment accuracy is required
Laser requirements are stringent

High-power pulse injection by electro-optical switching



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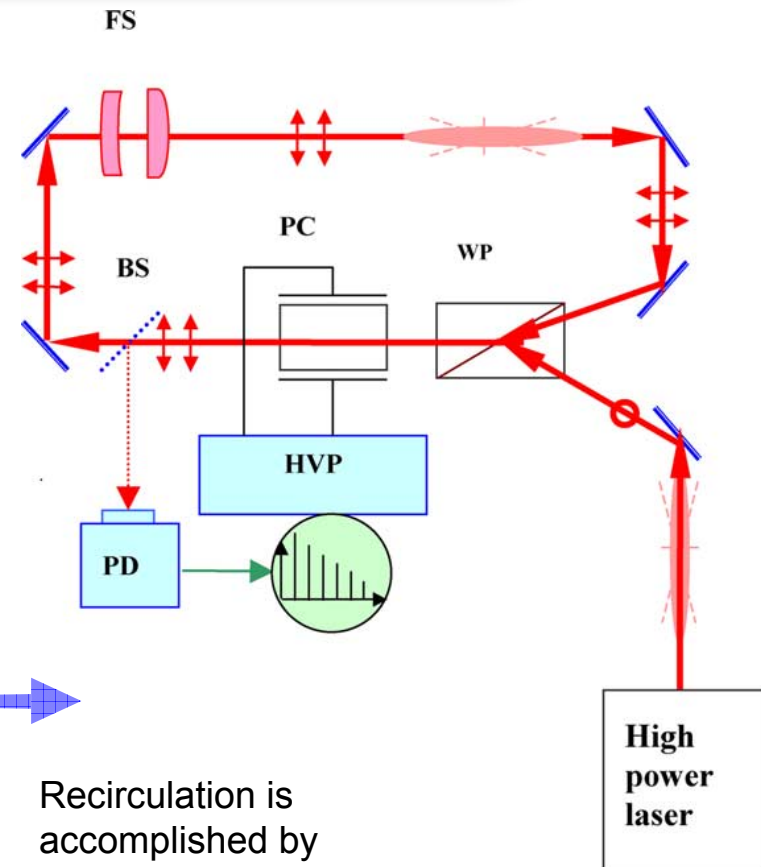
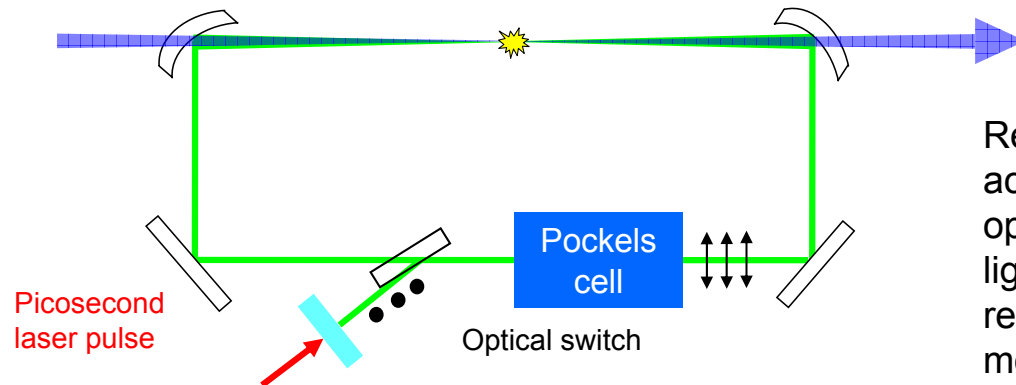
Development of an electro-optical device for storage of high power laser pulses

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Recirculation is accomplished by optically switching light into a cavity, resulting in “burst-mode” operation.



Active optical storage ring

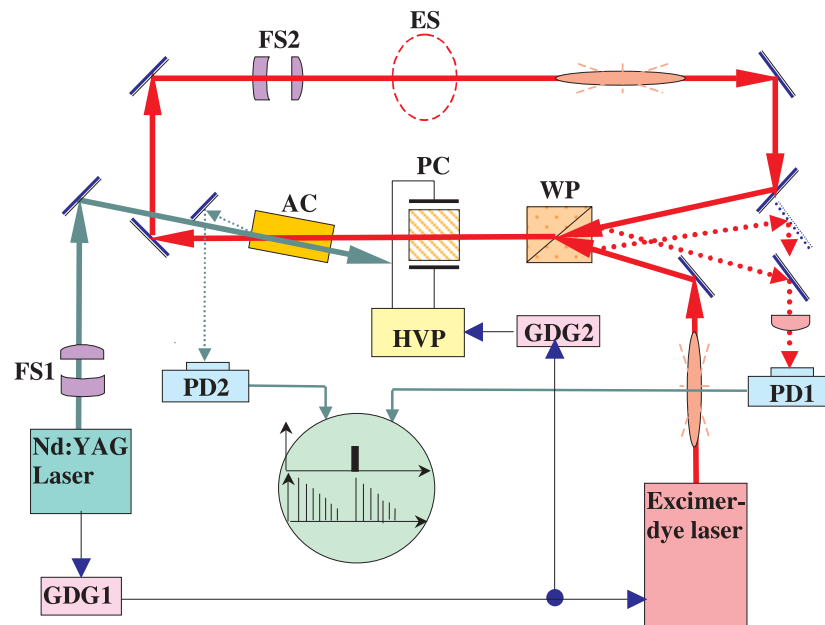
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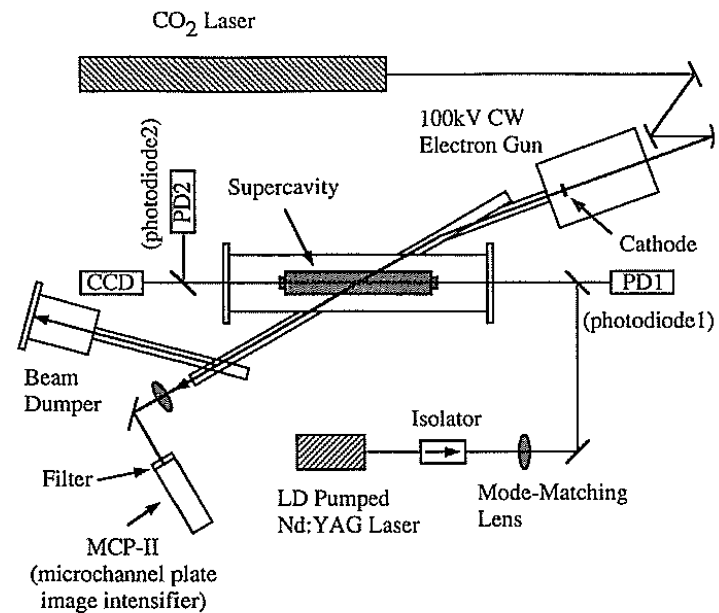
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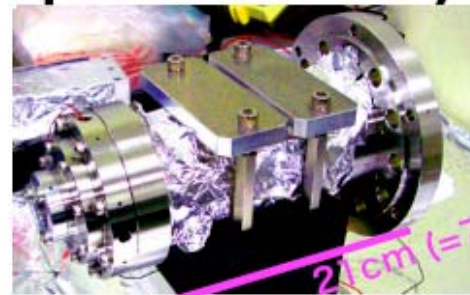
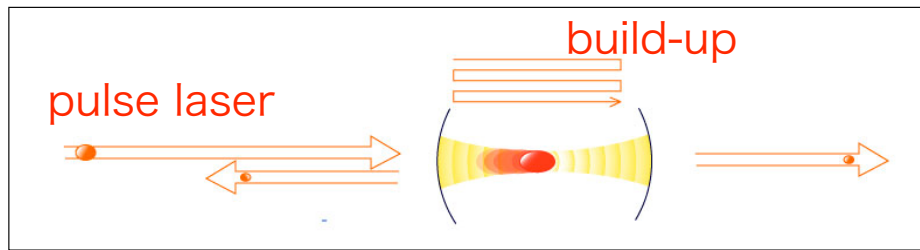
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Proof of Principle Experiments for Compton Scattering of a Stored Photon in a Supercavity

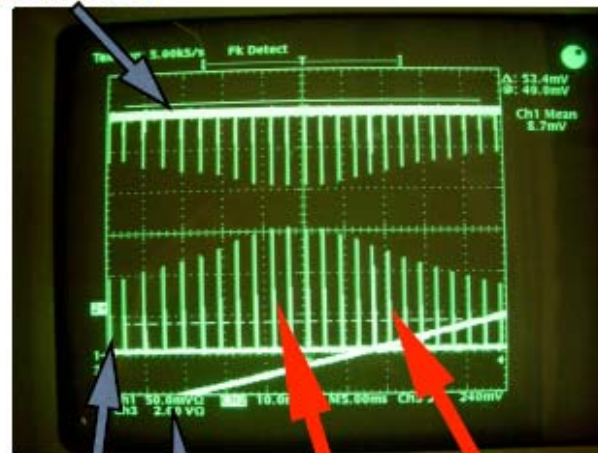
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Short pulse stacking for laser wire beam monitor



Cavity reflection



Cavity transmission

PZT HV
(cavity length)



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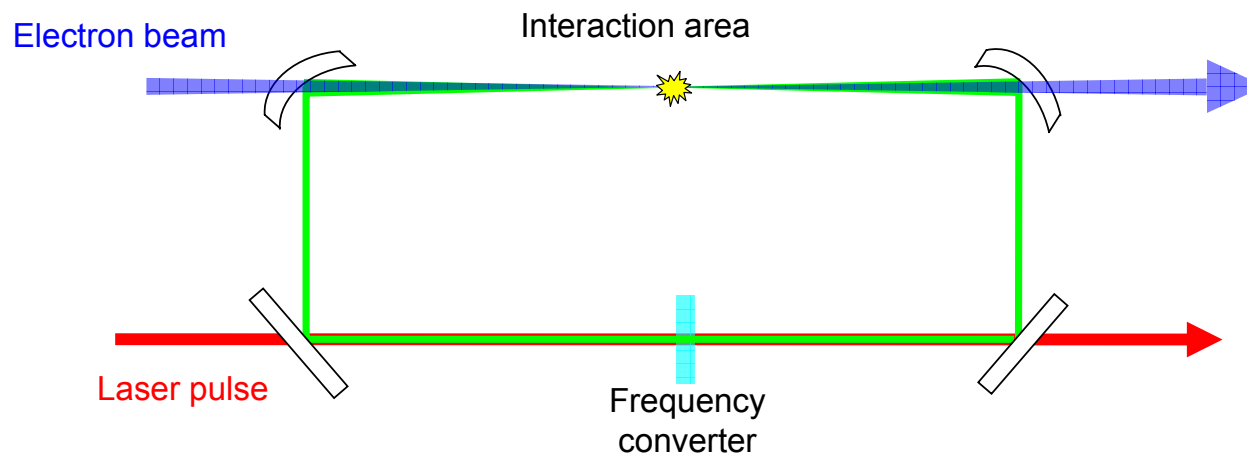
What are the problems associated with the previously proposed schemes?



Pulse stacking	Electro-optical switching	Intra-cavity operation
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requires interferometric alignment accuracy• High repetition rate incompatible with high pulse energy• Only a fraction of the incident laser energy is used• Limited in average power	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Susceptible to B-integral• Limited in average power due to optical switch limitations• High intracavity loss	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Low peak power - few photons overlapped with the electron bunch

A solution is desired that would be robust, based on the available laser technology, and compatible with the required pulse and beam format in ILC.

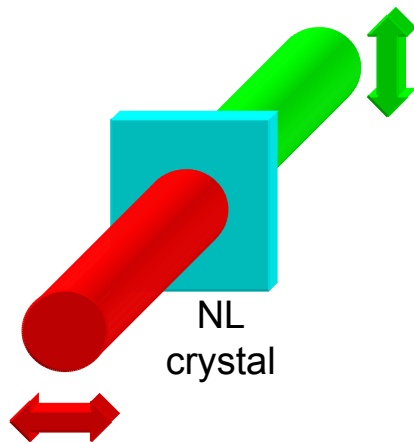
We introduce a novel method for recirculation of an intense laser pulse



Nonlinear crystal acts as an exceptional optical switch: it modifies frequency and polarization

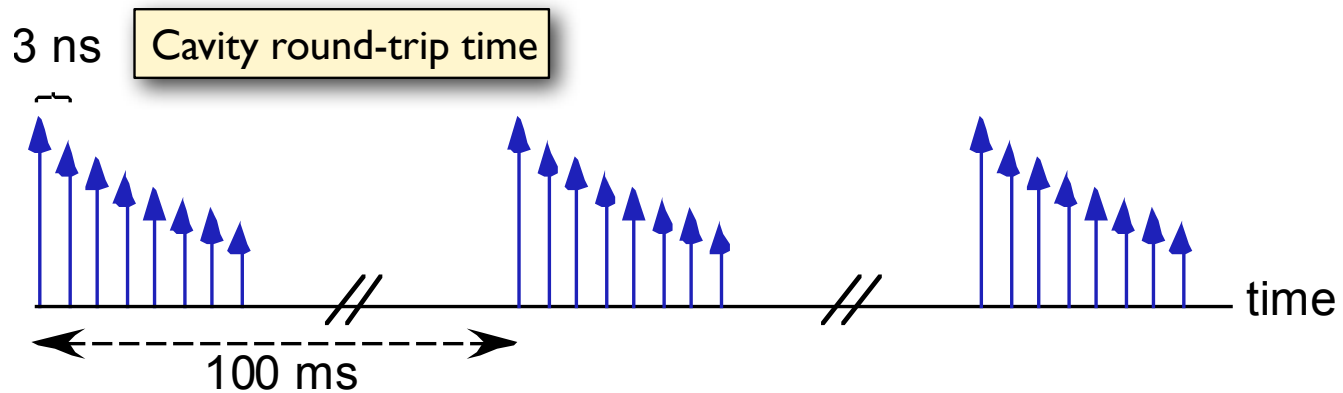
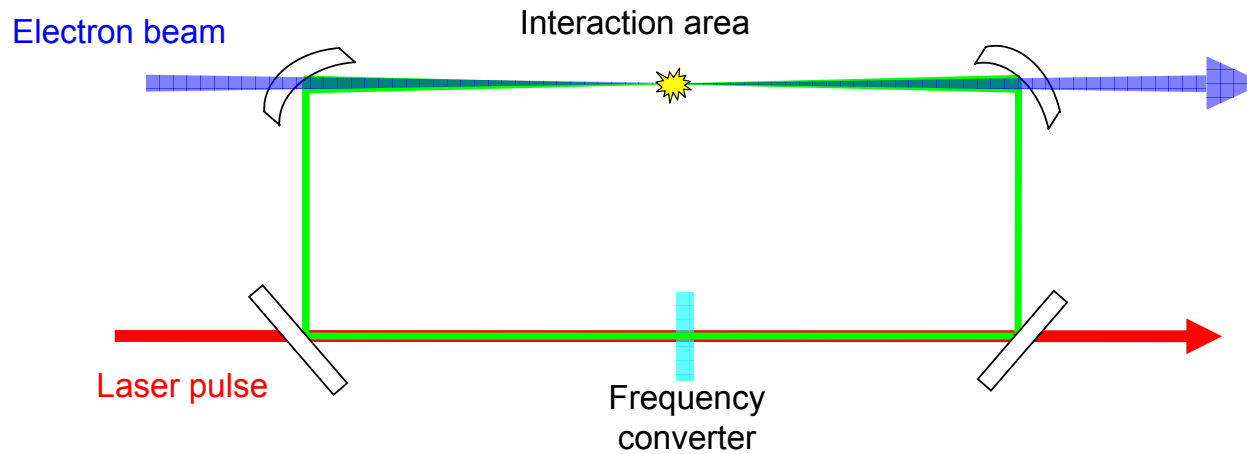
For picosecond pulses the crystal is **thin** and does not produce appreciable dispersion, self-phase modulation, and self-focusing. Thermal effects are also much reduced.

When used as a frequency doubler or tripler, this switch increases the photon energy by 2 or 3! (reduced LINAC size and cost).





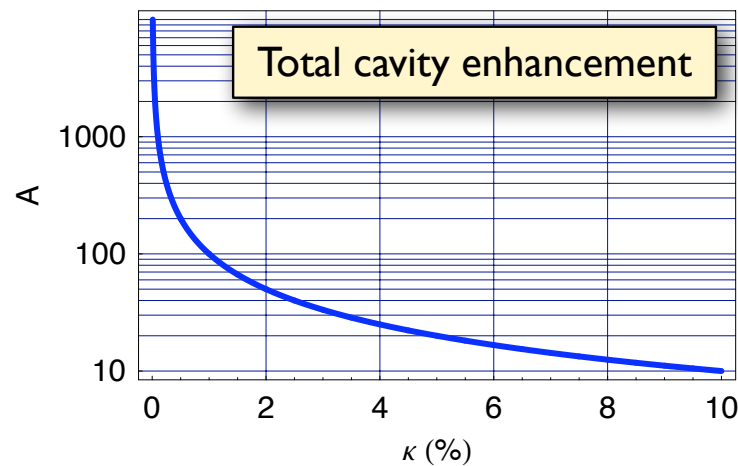
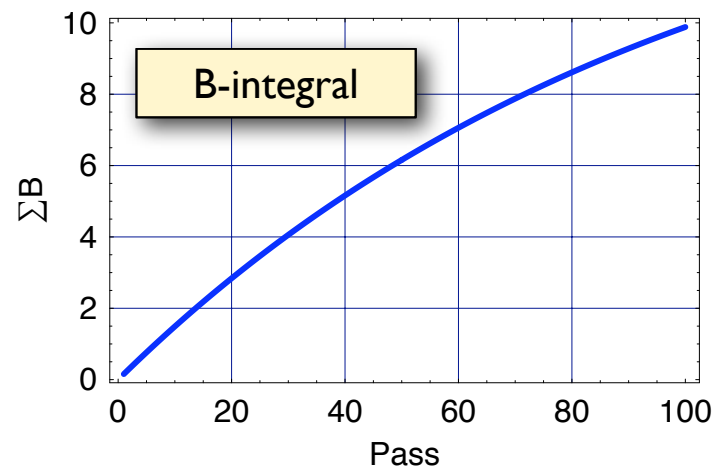
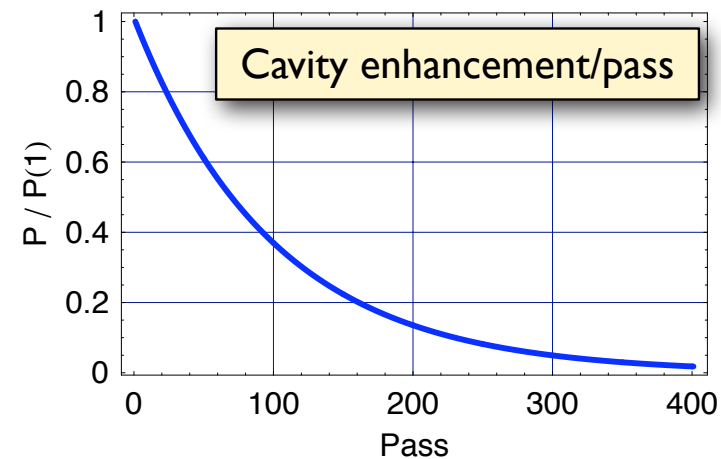
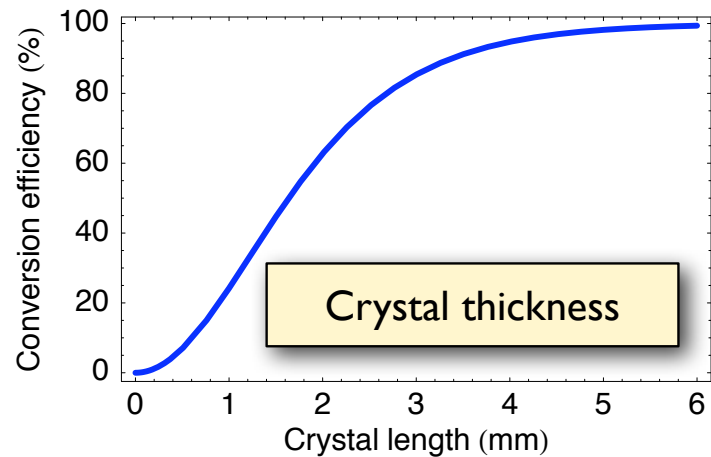
RING operates in a burst-mode



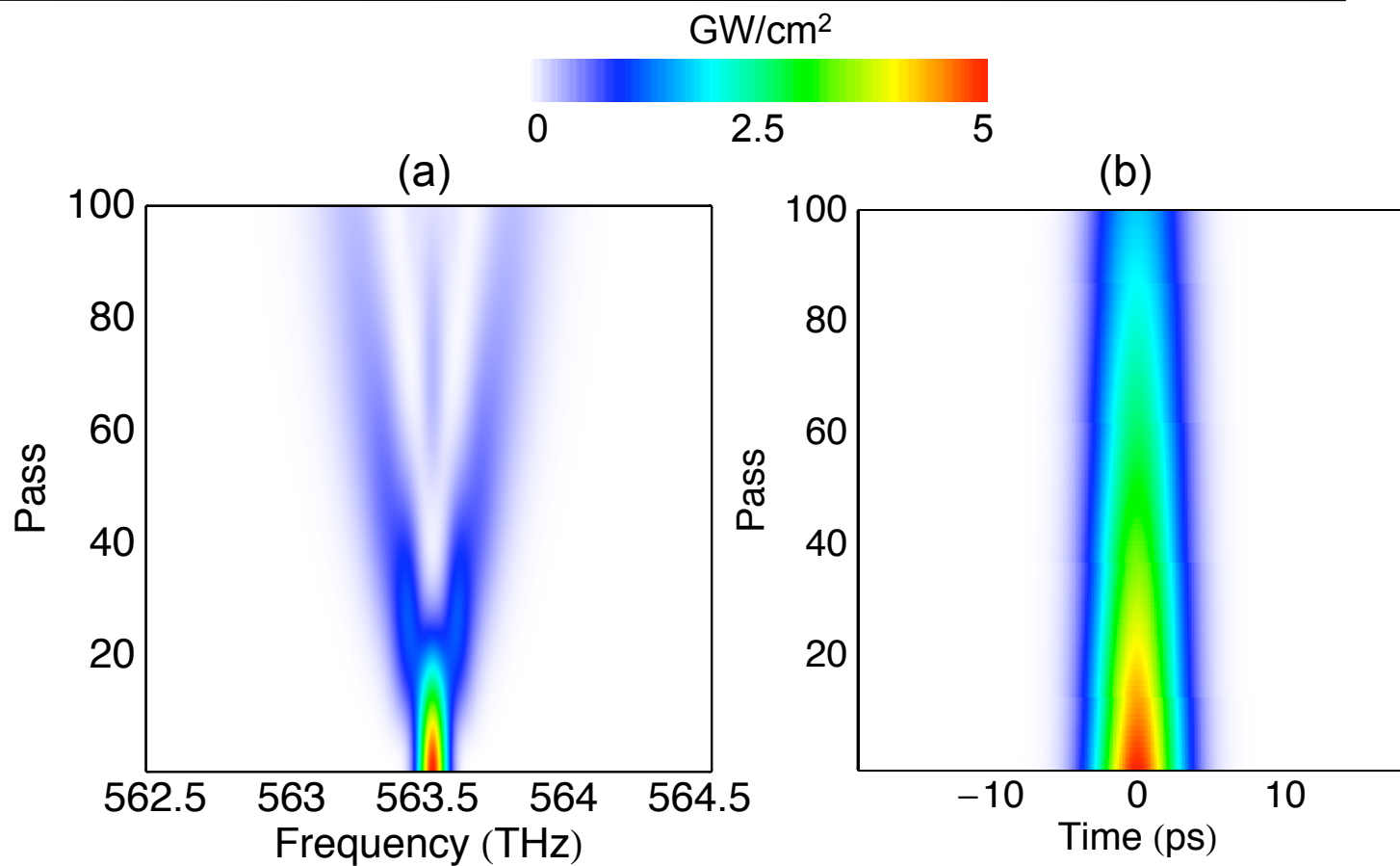
Laser rep-rate (typically 10 Hz)

Electron beam format must match the laser pulse format

The required crystal switch thickness is short; the resulting B-integral is small

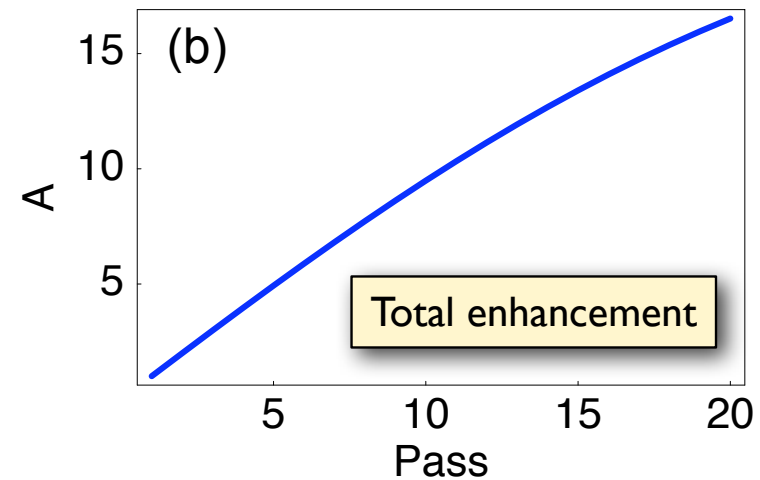
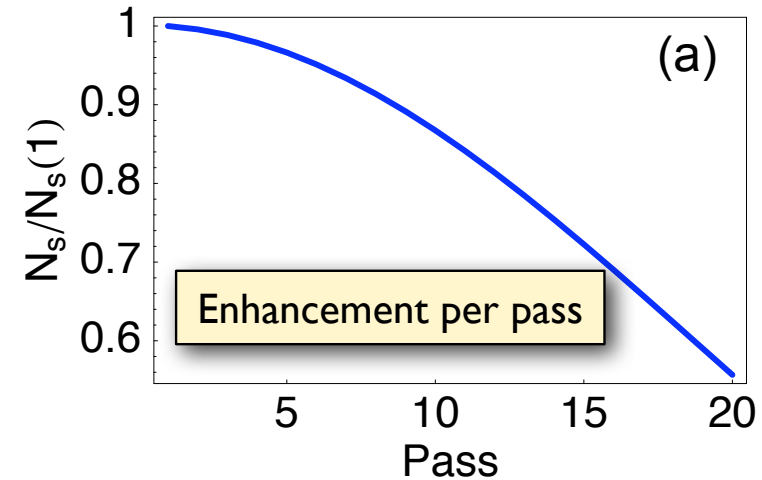
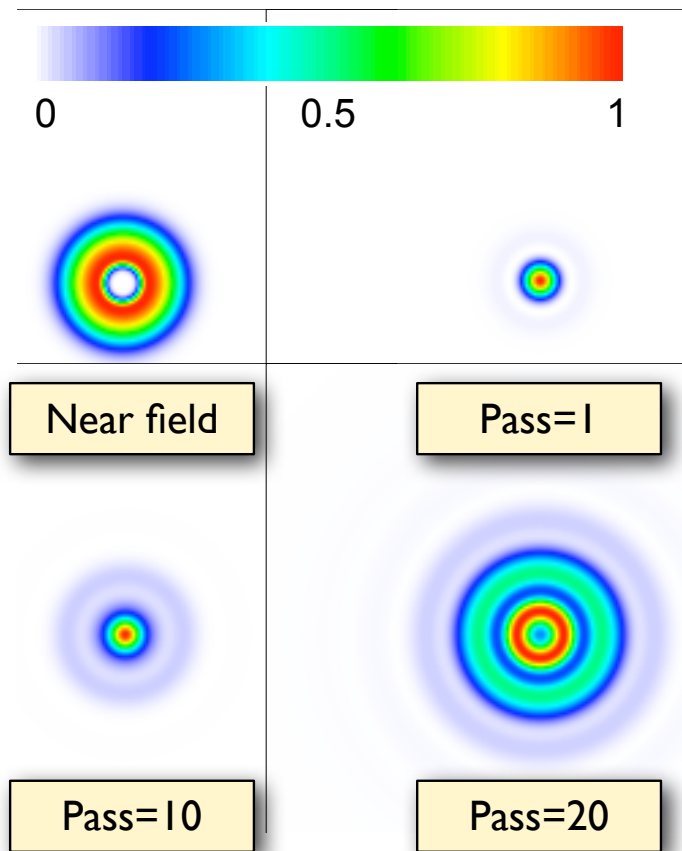


Effect of the recirculation in RING on pulse spectrum and pulse duration

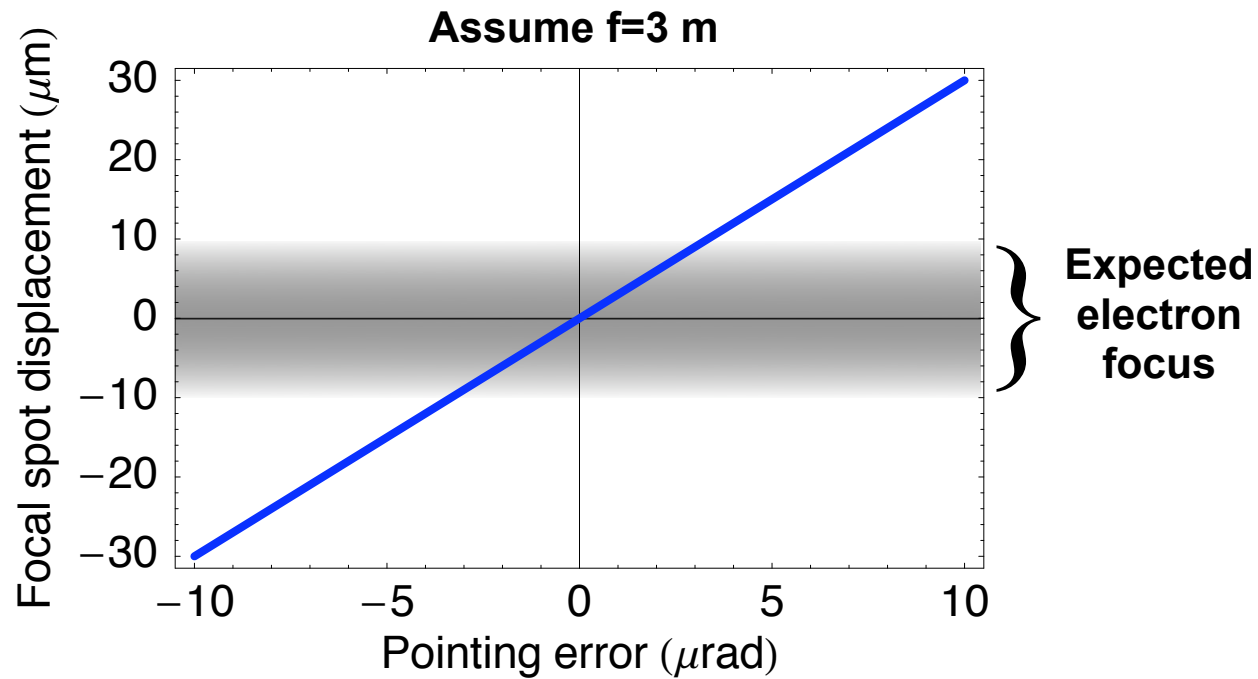
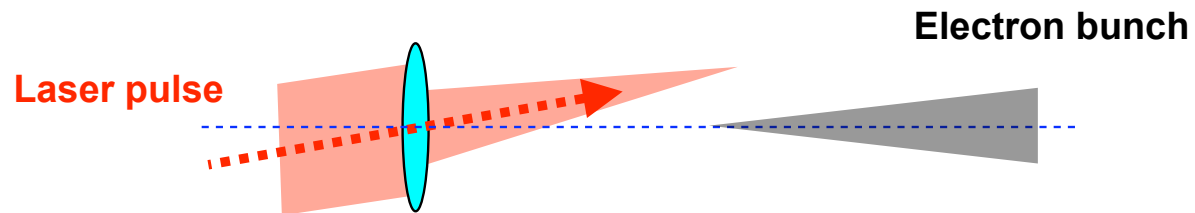


For a chosen 5-ps transform-limited pulse, the increase in pulse duration is marginal.

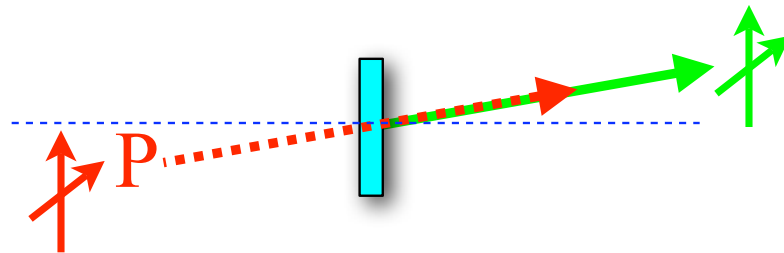
The accumulated nonlinear phase can impact the focal spot size and shape



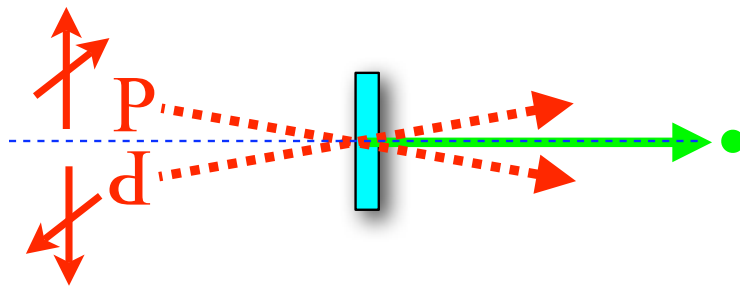
Focal region can be very sensitive to pointing error on the input



Pointing instability can be eliminated by image rotation followed by frequency mixing

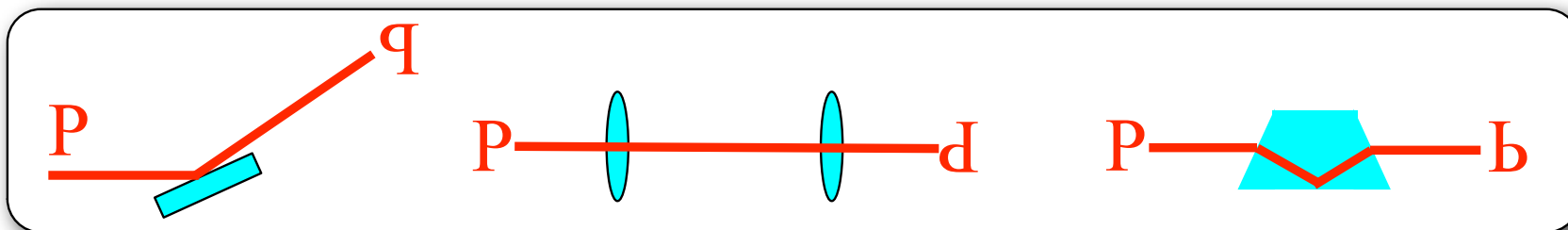


Single beam: pointing instability can lead to a difference in pointing of the injected beam

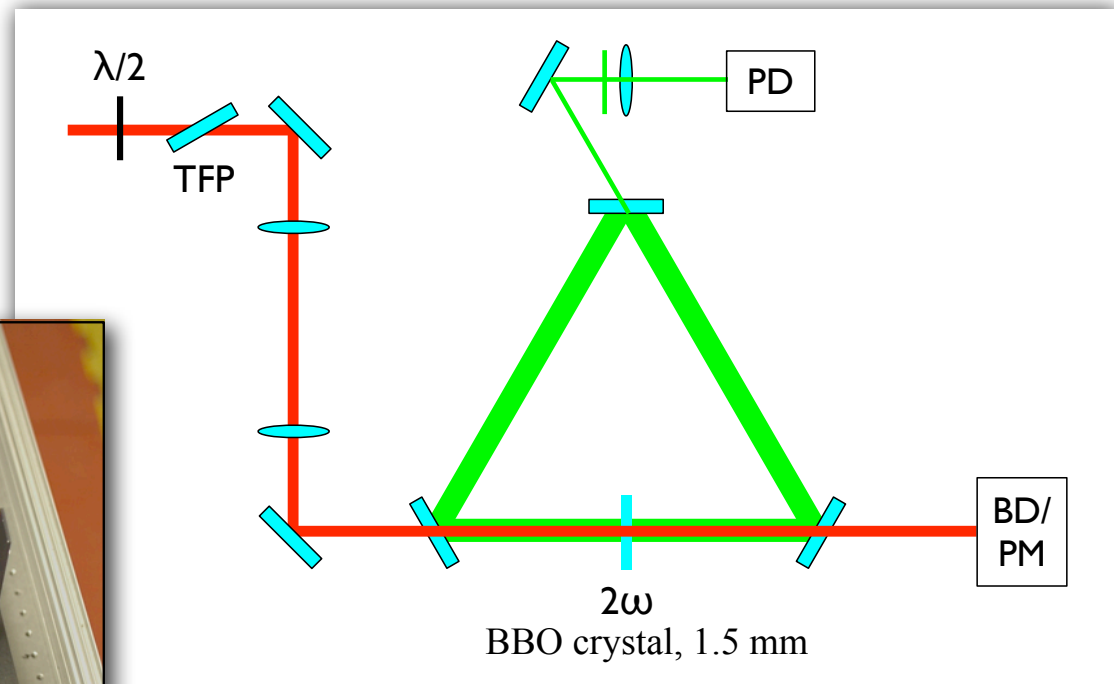
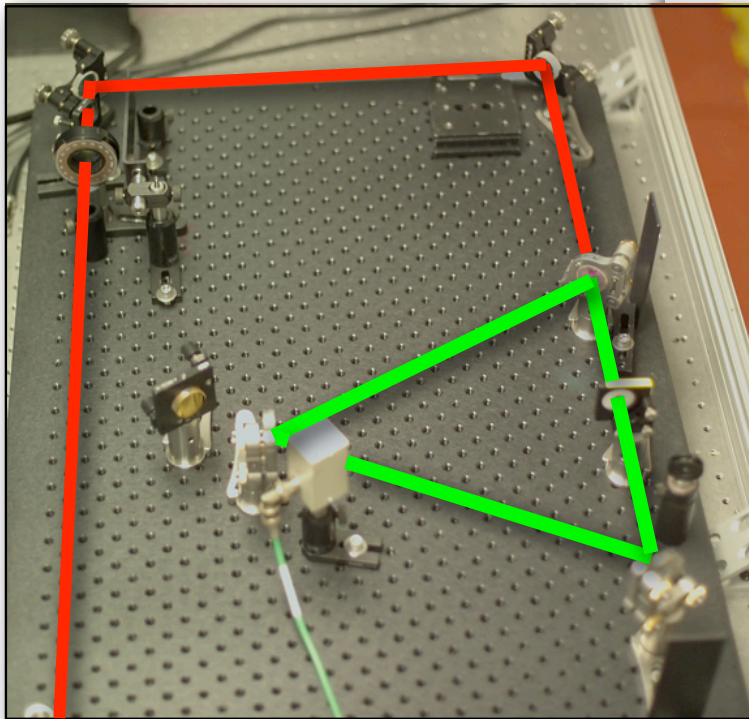


Two beams with image rotation: pointing instability is eliminated after frequency mixing

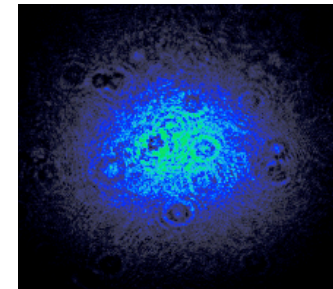
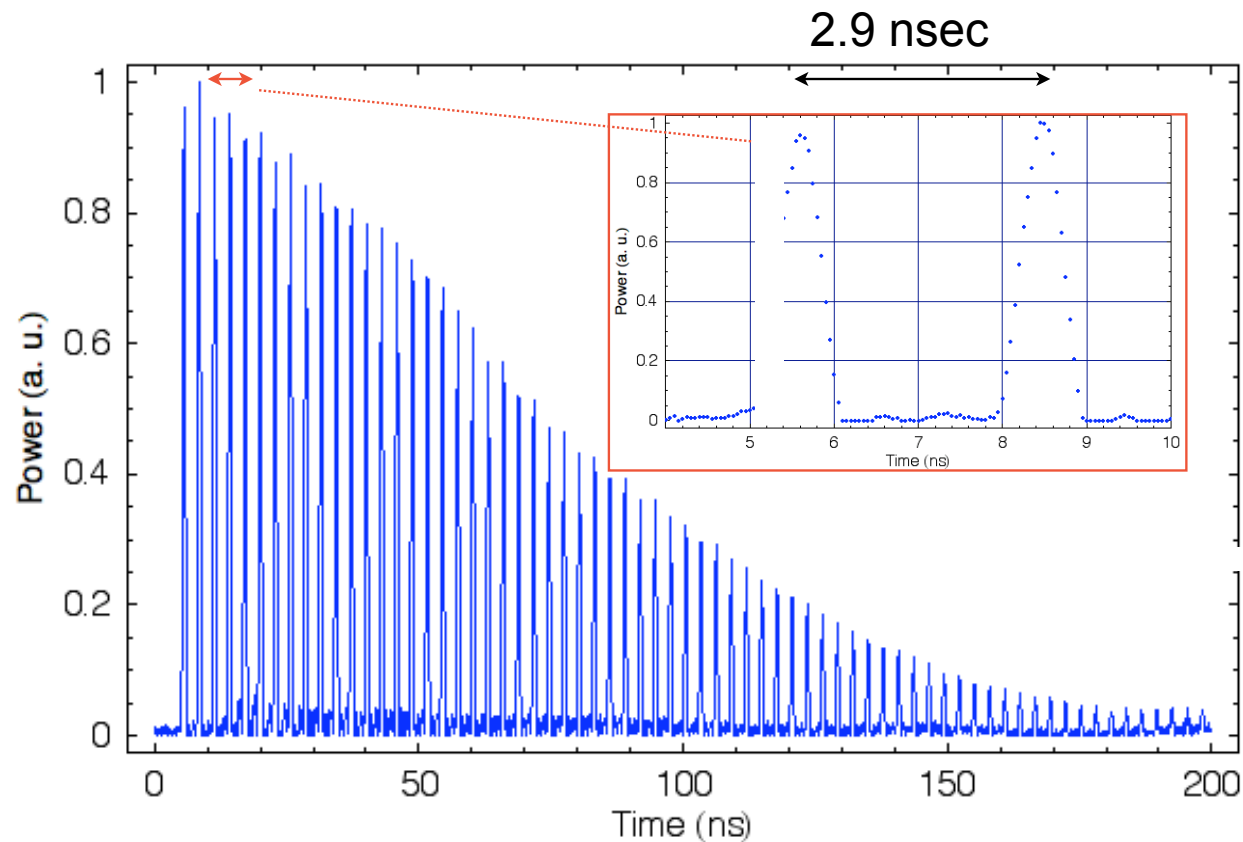
Simple methods for image rotation



We have experimentally demonstrated the viability of the RING technique

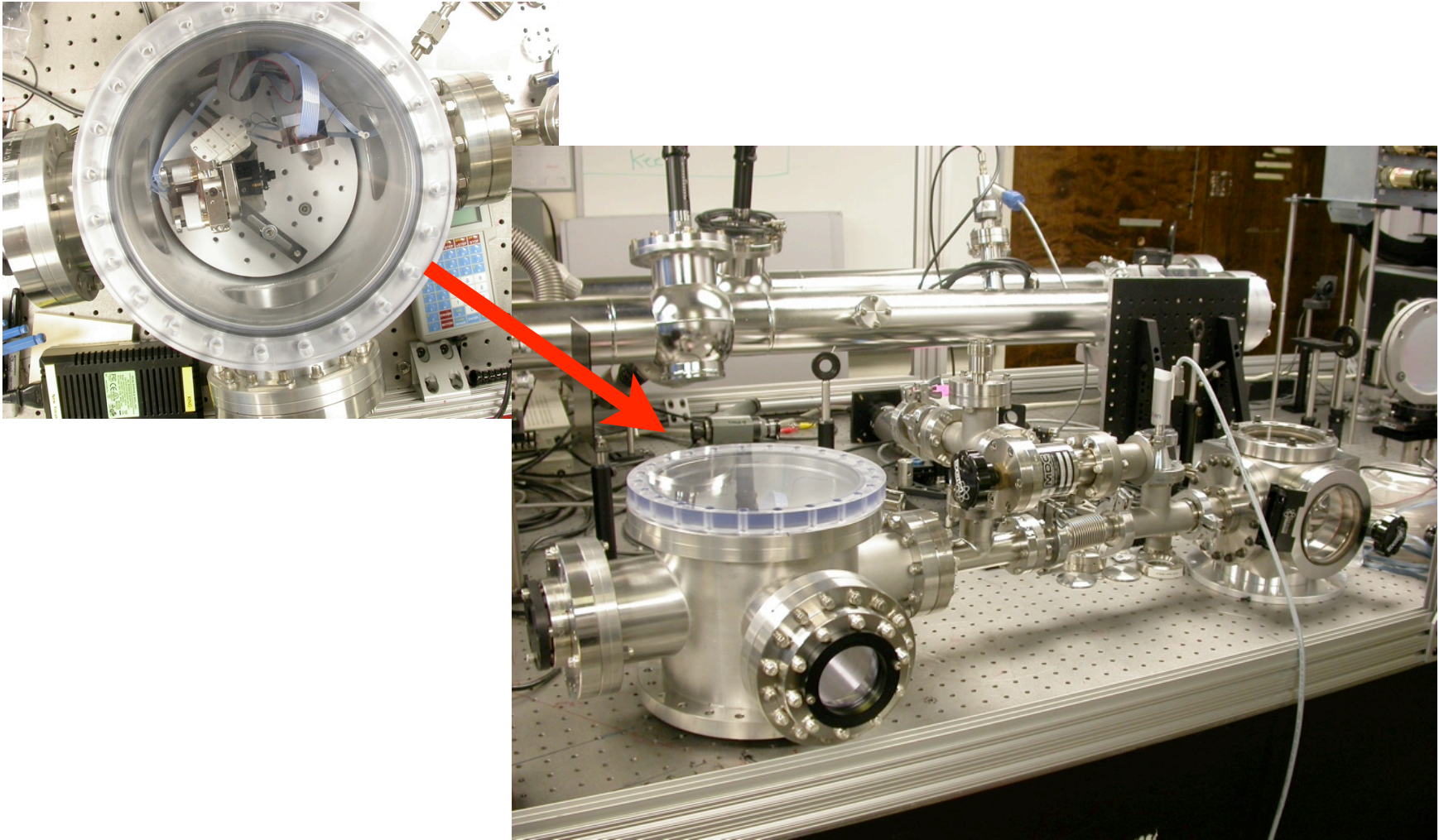


RING preliminary experimental results: cavity enhancement of 28.5x



- 80 μJ of green at pulse duration of 10 ps and ~ 3 mm FWHM
 - ➔ We achieved recirculation of up to 500 μJ @ 1 ps, corresponding to 7 GW/cm^2 in the green.

We are constructing a vacuum RING cavity

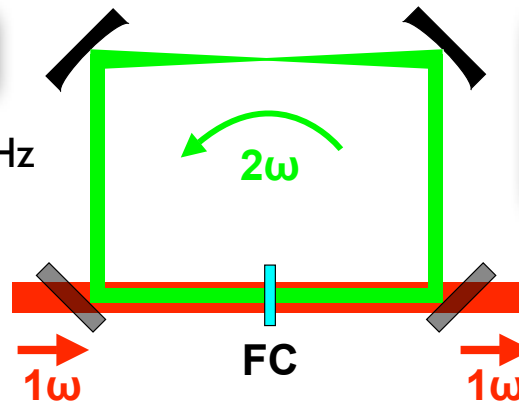




RING in cold accelerator technology (ILC)

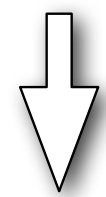
Assume enhancement factor of 47.

$2820/47=60$ pulses, 5 Hz

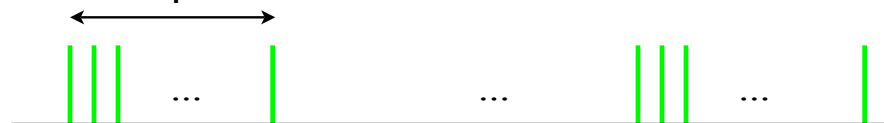


Cavity length is the length of the incident laser pulse train.

Cavity length: $60 \times 2.8 \text{ ns} = 168 \text{ ns}$



2820 pulses, 5 Hz

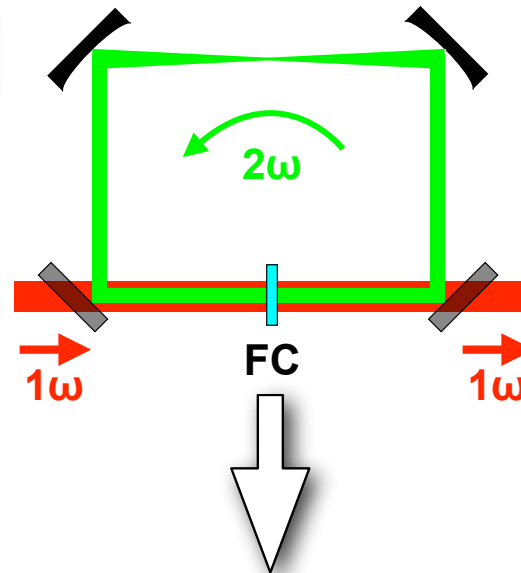
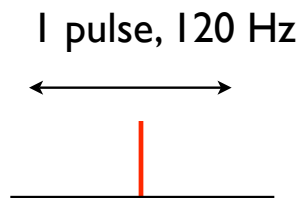


2.8 ns between pulses

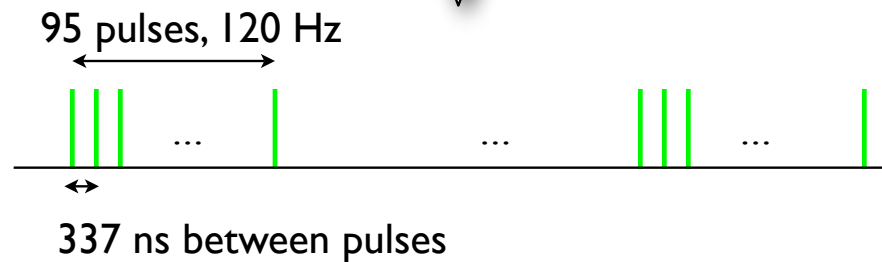
RING in warm accelerator technology (NLC)



Assume enhancement factor of 95.

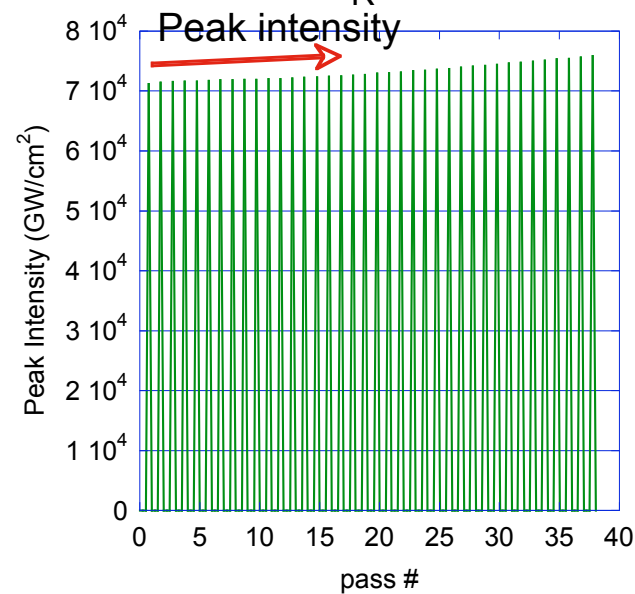
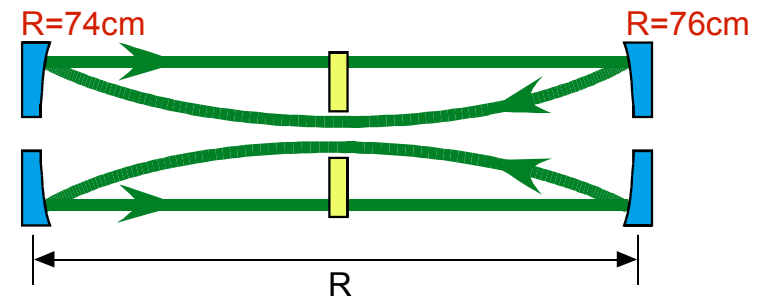
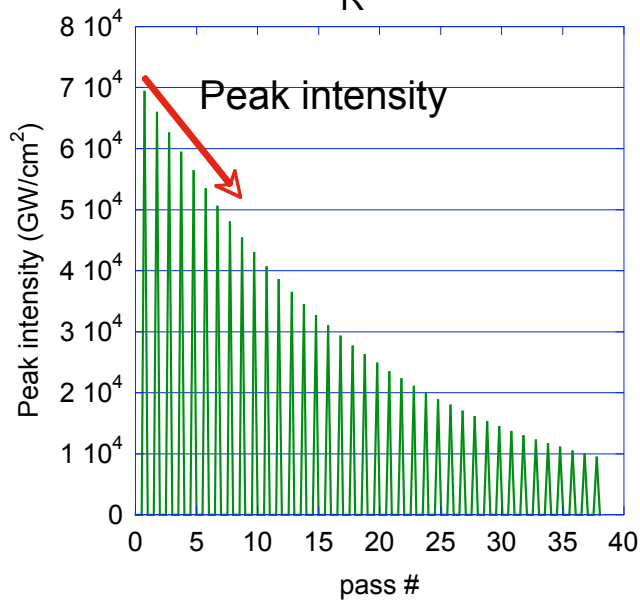
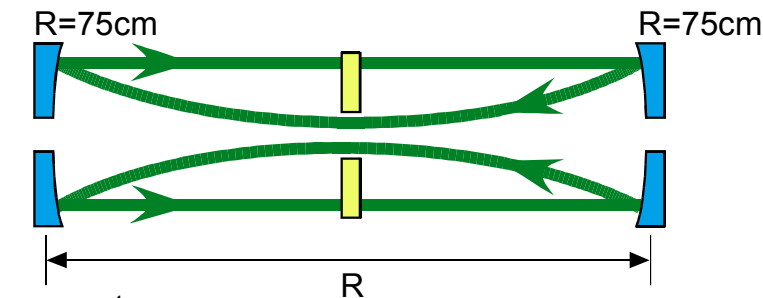


Cavity length is the resulting inter-pulse delay = 337 ns



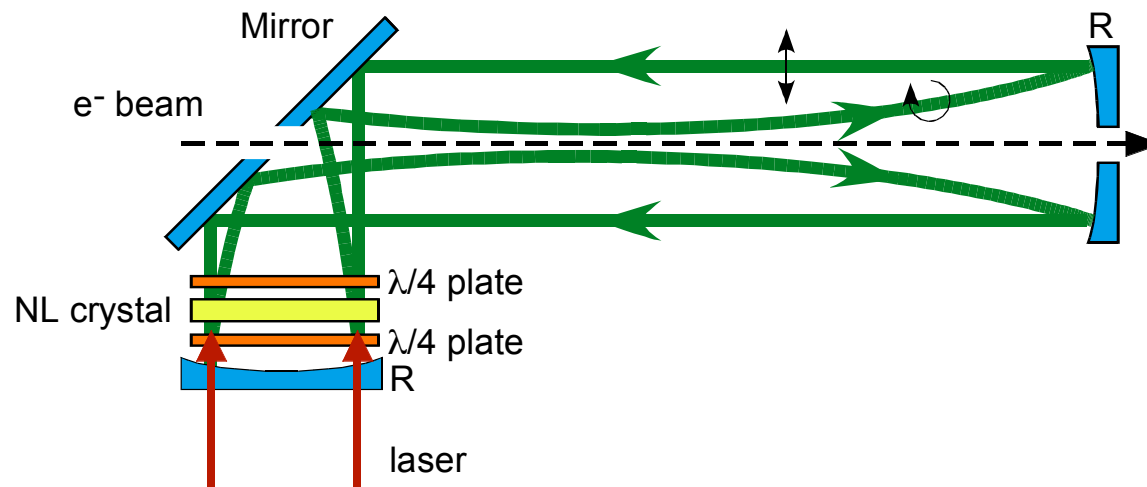
RING reduces the requirement on the pump laser average power by the enhancement factor.

RING can operate without loss in intensity if a magnifying cavity is used



Magnification of the beam on cavity mirrors on each pass can compensate for the loss of intensity due to optical losses or beam quality degradation.

RING can be used to produce a circularly polarized beam

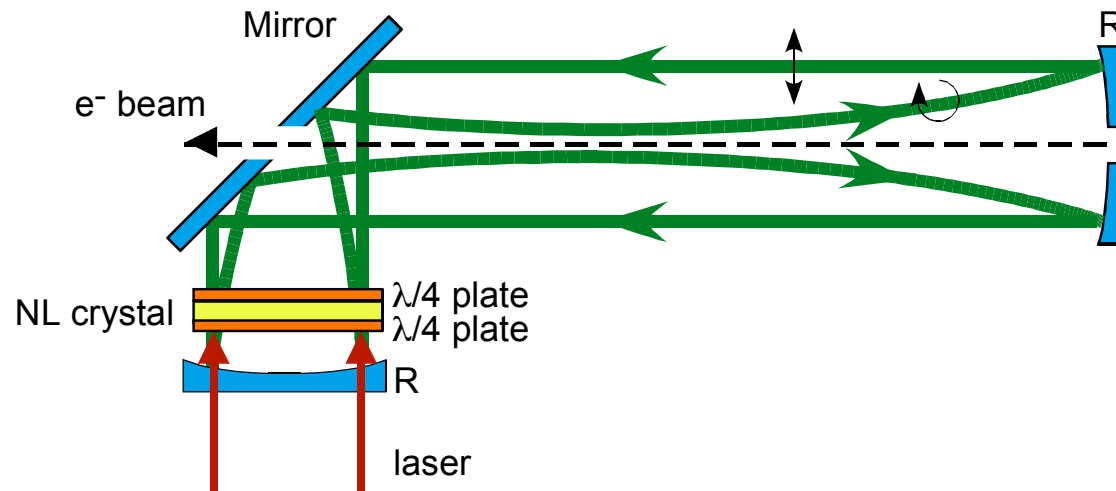
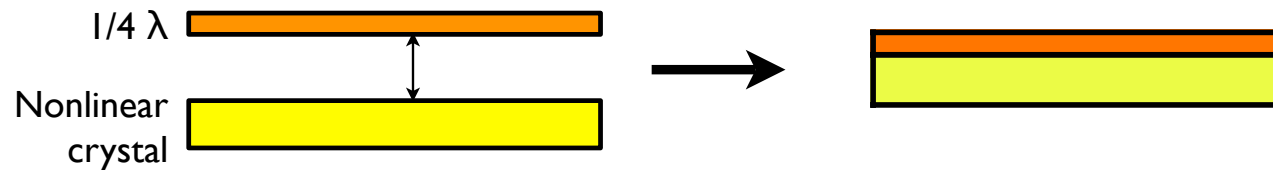


- A quarter-waveplate after the nonlinear crystal will convert linear to circular polarization.
- A second quarter-waveplate will keep the same handedness of the polarization at the focus after each roundtrip.
- The crystal and the waveplates are out of the electron path
 - **Compatible with GeV and TeV electron beams**

Fresnel losses can be minimized by attaching the waveplate to the crystal



Waveplate grown from the same crystal substrate could be diffusion bonded to the crystal



- Waveplate thickness adds 10s of microns to the total crystal thickness (~1%)
- Optical quality can be as good as the crystal finish



Scaling of the RING cavity to high power

Laser energy ~ 1J; Pulse duration ~ 10 ps; Rep-rate ~ 1.4 kHz

High peak intensity

High thermal gradient
in the NL crystal

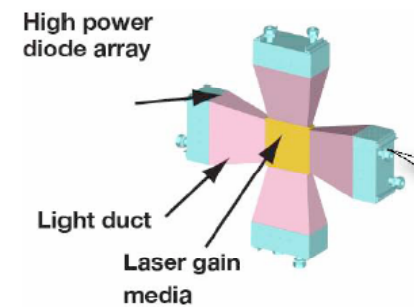
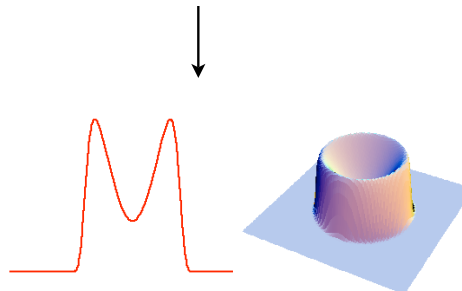
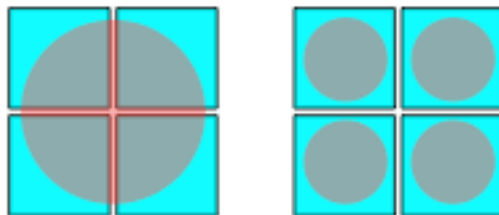
High average power

increase beam size
spatially and temporally
multiplex the laser beam

Spatial format of the laser
beam can compensate
for the thermal gradient

Other ideas/technologies
are needed!

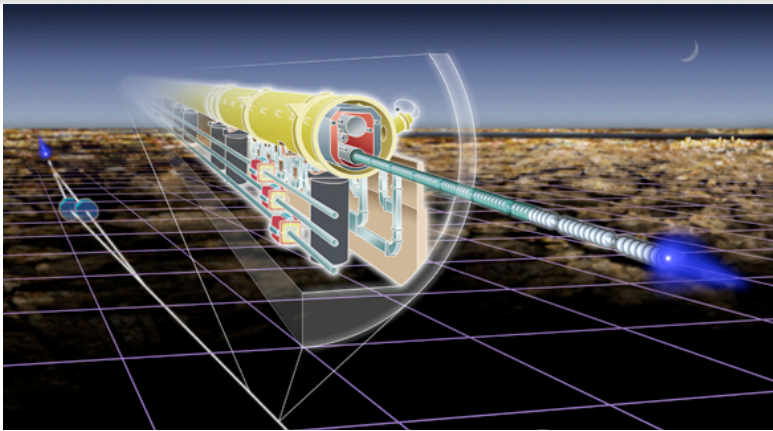
Ceramic laser technology holds
promise for high average power
short pulse operation



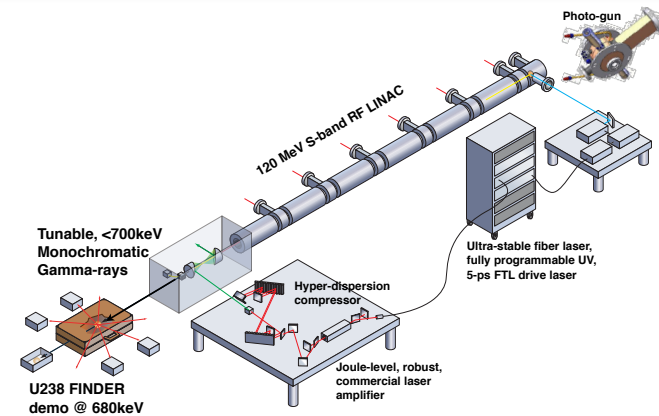


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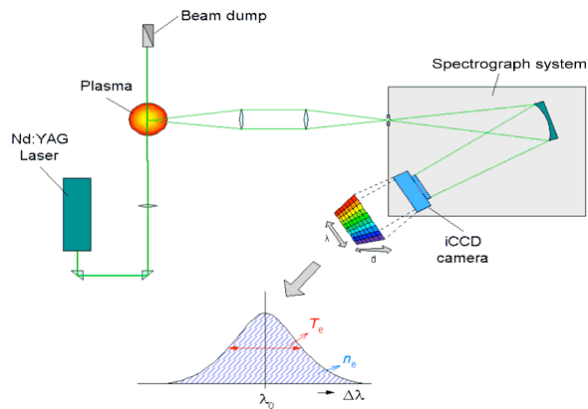
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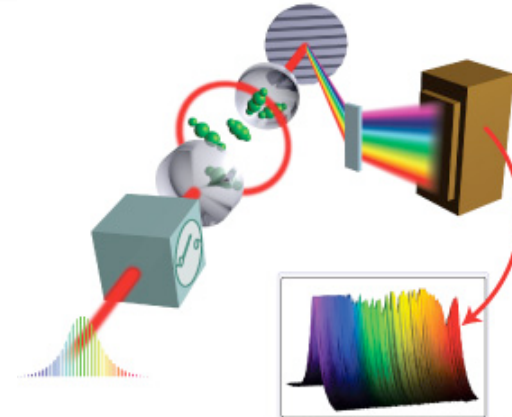
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Plasma diagnostics



Cavity ring-down spectroscopy



Conclusions



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- ★ RING cavity can increase the effective average power of the laser system by up to 100x
- ★ RING cavity architecture is compatible with recirculation of high energy short laser pulses
- ★ Compared to other “photon trapping” designs, RING cavity has 10x lower B-integral accumulation
- ★ Compared to resonant enhancement schemes, RING cavity does not require interferometric stabilization
- ★ Experimental work is underway to demonstrate recirculation of joule-scale pulses