

Laser Plasma Acceleration



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Über ein neues Prinzip zur Herstellung hoher Spannungen

Von der Fakultät für Maschinenwirtschaft der Technischen Hochschule zu Aachen

zur Erlangung der Würde eines Doktor-Ingenieurs

genehmigte

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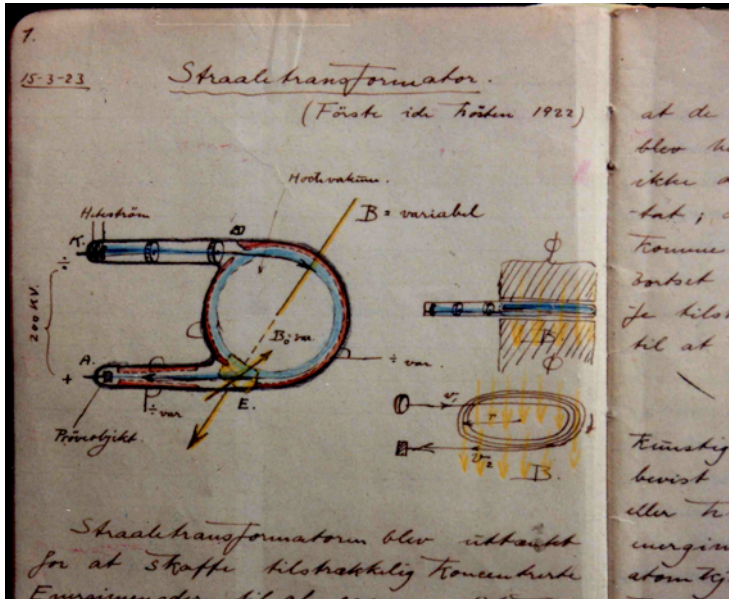
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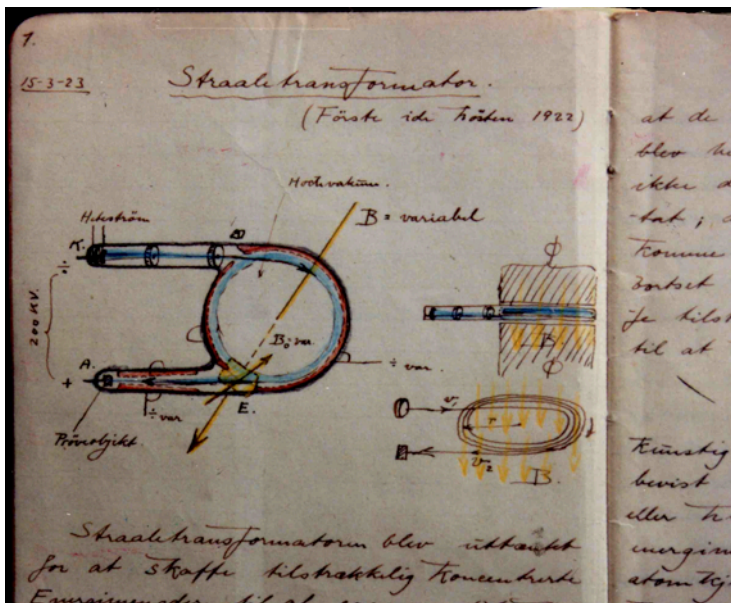
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First refused at University Karlsruhe as not feasible!

Wideröe had to go to Technical University Aachen



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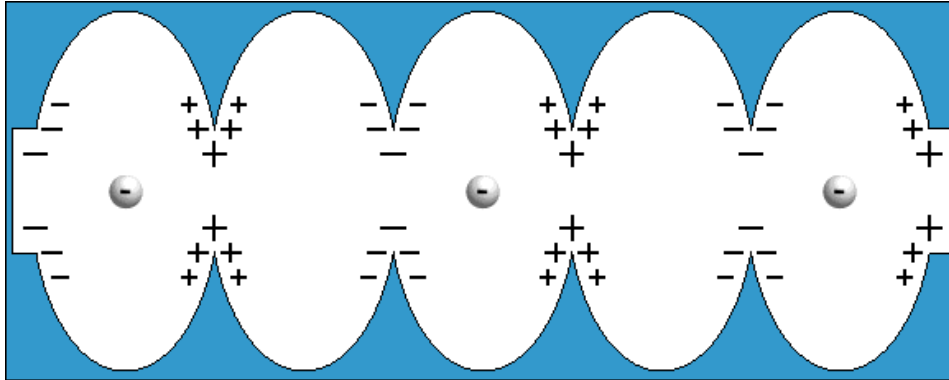
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Electron Acceleration: The Success of RF

- > Higher energies with **alternating voltage („RF“)**:



Sketch Padamse, Tigner

“Runzelröhre”

20.000.000 Volt per Meter



- > **RF technology** (first shown by Wideröe 90 years ago) a tremendous success story.
- > Lesson: Never give up if up, if colleagues say it does not work – unless they can prove it to you by scientific means.

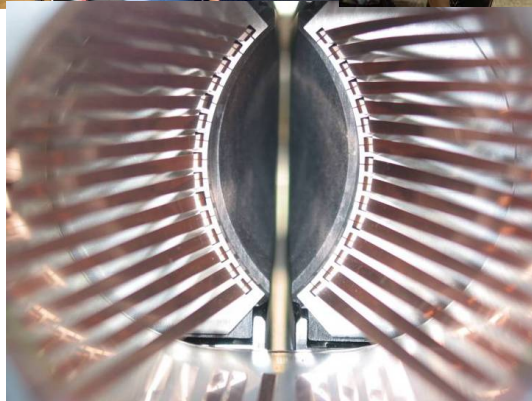
80 Years (and many inventions) later: LHC as a Masterpiece of Accelerator Science



First beam
10.9. 2008



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2012

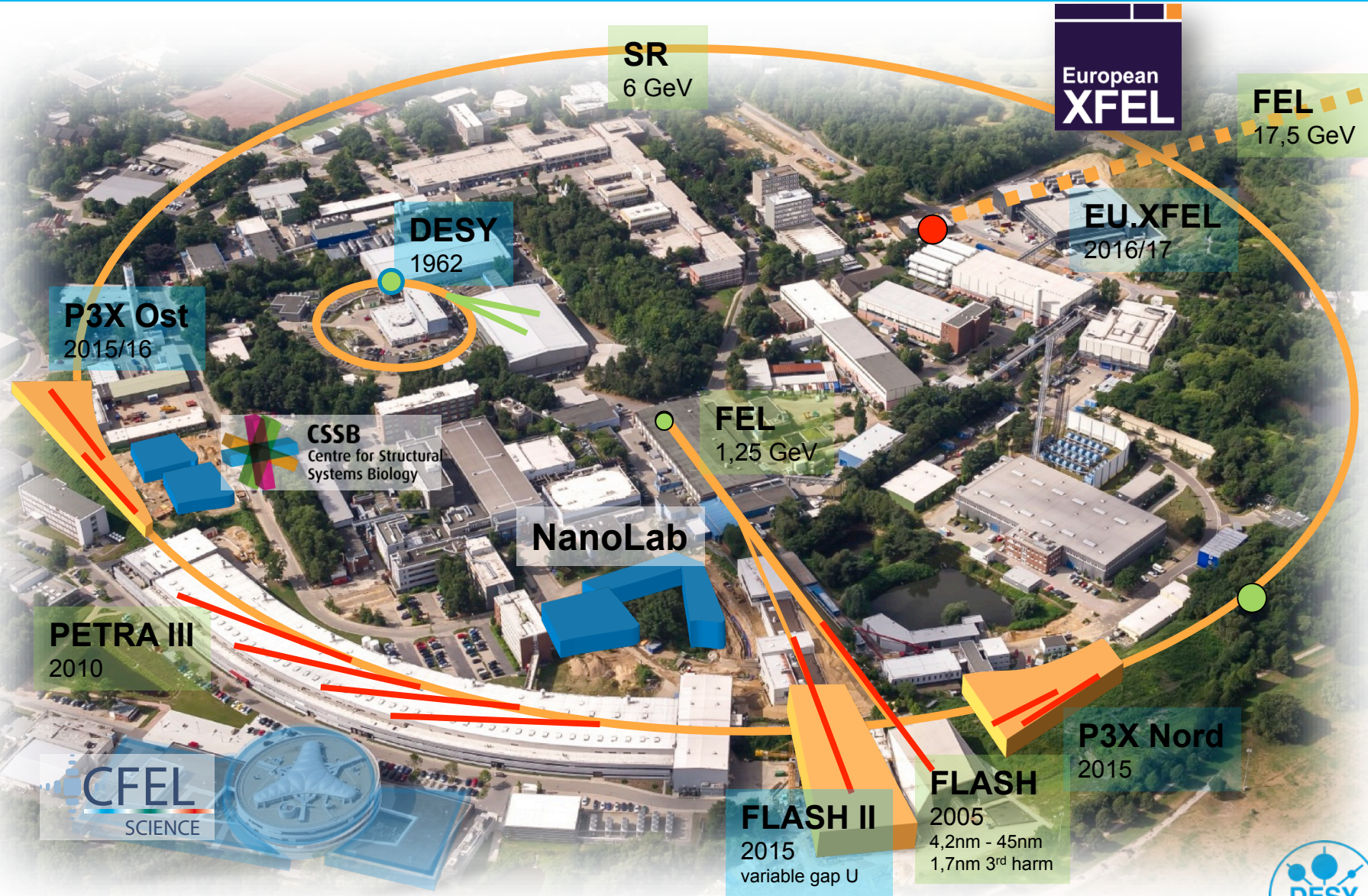


DESY 50 Years ago...



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Today: X-Ray Facilities at DESY. *Masterpieces for photon science*



Acceleration: Conventional and Advanced

Surfer gain velocity and energy by riding the water wave!

Charged particles gain energy by riding the electromagnetic wave!



Modern lasers generate light pulses with very large transverse fields:

Many 1.000 billion volt per meter

Plasma or metallic structures couple fields to our particles!

ANGUS Laser Lab (200 TW, DESY & University Hamburg)



The Laser Promise: Transverse Electrical Field

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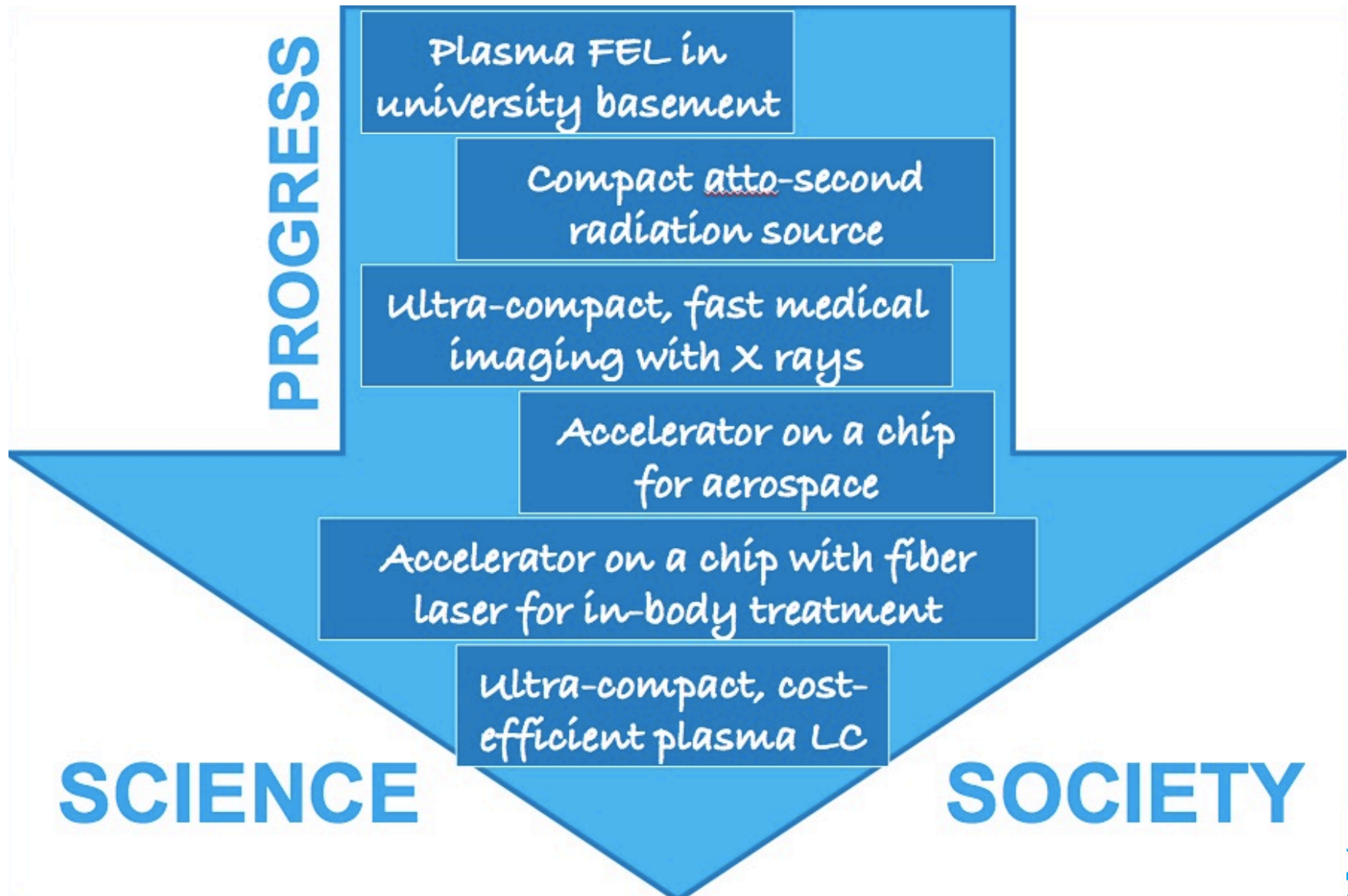
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$$E_0 = 22 \text{ TV/m}$$

This is
what we
need!

Scientists wonder: Can we use
the strong transverse electrical
fields to accelerate our beam?

High fields trigger imagination of scientists and public...



DIE WELT

SAMSTAG, 28. MÄRZ 2015

Bremse für Superbeschleuniger

Größer, schneller, teurer geht's nicht mehr Bis zu sechs Milliarden Dollar kosten die Teilchenschleudern in Genf oder anderswo. Materieforscher müssen sich etwas einfallen lassen

Hamburger Abendblatt

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Der Mini-Teilchenbeschleuniger

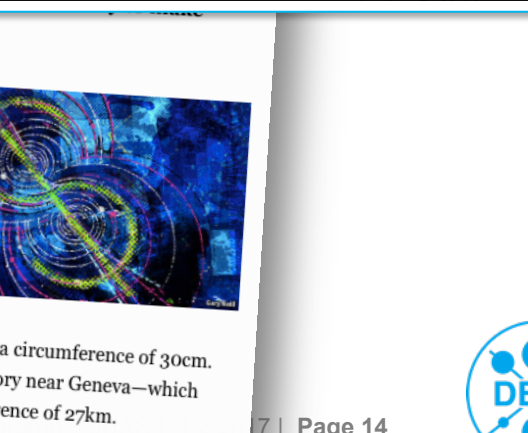
Kleiner, günstiger, aber mit mehr Leistung: Hamburger Physiker bringen neue Technik mit Blick auf Industrie und Medizin

MARCO BASSI
HAMBURG | Bevor Ralph Altmann nach Hamburg kam, arbeitete er an der größten Maschine der Welt, dem Teilchenbeschleuniger LHC in Genf. Der Physiker war bei dem, als dort 2012 ein Teilchen entdeckt wurde, das als der H-Teilchen (Higgs-Teilchen) gelistet ist – eine Art Baustein der Natur, dem die damit verbundenen Teilchen erklärt, wie Teilchen die Masse der Materie bilden. Plasmen, Sterne und auch wir Menschen.



Mancher Forscherkollege trauert sich vor noch größeren 'Wohlfühlmaschinen', um mit solchen Geräten die letzten großen Fragen der Physik zu lösen. Ralph Altmann hingegen tritt mit dem kleinen LHC in Genf ein, um die Frage zu beantworten, wie sich Teilchenbeschleuniger künftig entwickeln lassen können.

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DER SPIEGEL

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Im Bann von Waxahachie

Physik Forscher bauen immer gewaltigere Teilchenbeschleuniger, um die Geheimnisse des Universums zu enträtseln. Geht es auch eine Nummer kleiner?

Unter den Feldern von Texas erstreckt sich ein verlassener Tunnel, knapp 23 Kilometer lang. Die Zugänge sind verschüttet, in der Röhre sammeln sich Regenwasser.
Die Ruine nahe dem Städtchen Waxahachie steht für das Trauma der Teilchenphysik: Hier baute die stolze Zunft einst

The Economist

Particle physics A new awakening?

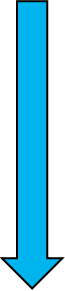
Accelerators are getting bigger and more expensive. They are smaller and cheaper

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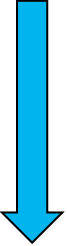
FOR more than 80 years particle physicists have had to think big, even though the things they are paid to think about are the smallest objects that exist. Creating exotic particles means crashing quotidian ones (electrons and protons) into each other. The more exotic the output desired, the faster these collisions must be. That extra speed requires extra energy, and therefore larger machines. The first cyclotron, built in 1931 in Berkeley, California, by Ernest Lawrence, had a circumference of 30cm. Its latest successor, the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN's laboratory near Geneva—which reopens for business in March after a two-year upgrade—has a circumference of 27km.



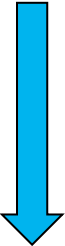
High Gradient – High Frequency – Small Dimensions

Band Designator	Frequency [GHz]	Gradient [MV/m]	Cell length [cm]	Comments
L band 	1 to 2	24	15 – 7.5	This band is used by super-conducting RF technology. The dimensions are large, accelerating gradients are lower and disturbing wakefields are weak.
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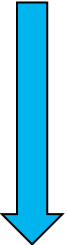
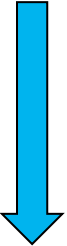
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Ku band	12 to 18	n/a	1.3 – 0.8	
K band	18 to 27	n/a	0.8 – 0.6	
Ka band 	27 to 40	70	0.6 – 0.4	Investigated for a possible CLIC linear collider technology at 30 GHz but abandoned after damage problems.
V band	40 to 75	n/a	0.4 – 0.2	
W band	75 to 110	> 1000	0.2 – 0.1	Advanced acceleration

High Gradient Accelerators

High
Gradients
(1 – 100 GV/m)



High
Frequencies
(> 100 GHz)



Small
Dimensions
(< 1 mm)

- > No **klystrons** for high frequencies!
- > Use particle bunches or laser pulses as drivers.
- > Material limitations solved through “new cavities”: dielectric materials, plasma cavities, ...
- > Two main directions:

1 Microstructure Accelerator

Laser- or beam driven
Vacuum accelerators
Conventional field design

2 Plasma Accelerator

Laser- or beam driven
Dynamic Plasma Structure
Plasma field calculations

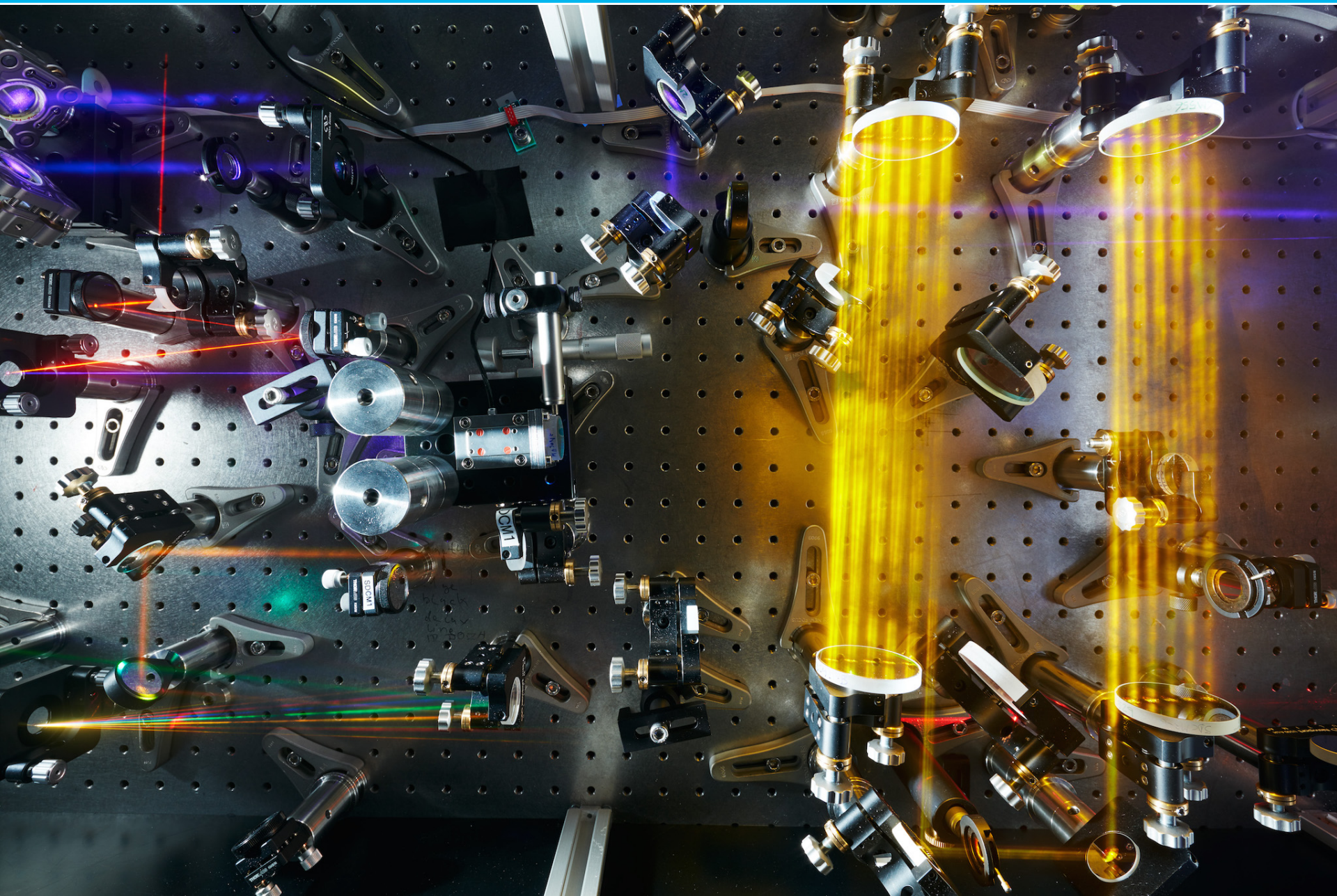


Laser-Driven Micro Structures (Vacuum) – 1

- > 1 GeV/m possible but low absolute energies achieved so far
- > **AXSIS project (ERC synergy grant)** at DESY/ Uni Hamburg: THz laser-driven accelerator with atto-second science → *Kärtner/Fromme/Chapman/Assmann*

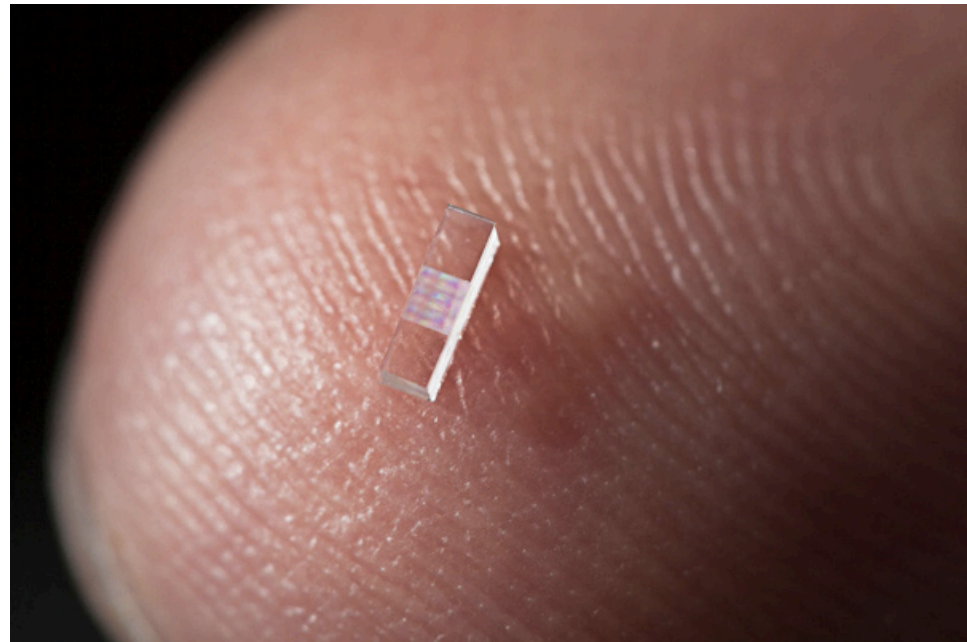


THz Laser Lab (DESY, CFEL, University Hamburg)



Laser-Driven Micro Structures (Vacuum) – 2

- > **“Accelerator on a Chip”** grant from Moore foundation for work by/at Stanford, SLAC, University Erlangen, DESY, University Hamburg, PSI, EPFL, University Darmstadt, CST, UCLA
- > Lasers drive **structures that are engraved on microchips** (e.g. Silicium)
- > Major breakthroughs can be envisaged:
 - **Mass production**
 - **Implantable accelerators** for in-body irradiation of tumors
 - Accelerators for **outer space**



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ABOUT

Intel co-founder Gordon and his wife Betty established the foundation to create positive change for future generations.



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Our Science Program invests in the development of new technologies, supports the world's top research scientists and brings together new—often groundbreaking—scientific partnerships. Our passion for discovery reflects that of our founders, Gordon and Betty Moore.

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Gordon & Betty Moore Foundation USA: Ansatz....



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Lorentz Force F

$$\mathbf{F} = q (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

q = Charge

\mathbf{v} = Velocity

Longitudinal
electrical field to
accelerate a particle

Transverse
magnetic field to
guide a particle

Laser Plasma Accelerator: Transverse to Longitudinal

- Idea: Use a plasma to convert the transverse space charge force of a beam driver (or the electrical field of the laser) into a longitudinal electrical field in the plasma!

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23 JULY 1979

Laser Electron Accelerator

T. Tajima and J. M. Dawson

Department of Physics, University of California, Los Angeles, California 90024

(Received 9 March 1979)

An intense electromagnetic pulse can create a wake of plasma oscillations through the action of the nonlinear ponderomotive force. Electrons trapped in the wake can be accelerated to high energy. Existing glass lasers of power density 10^{18}W/cm^2 shone on plasmas of densities 10^{18}cm^{-3} can yield giga-electronvolts of electron energy per centimeter of acceleration distance. This acceleration mechanism is demonstrated through computer simulation. Applications to accelerators and pulsers are examined.

Collective plasma accelerators have recently received considerable theoretical and experimental investigation. Earlier Fermi¹ and McMillan² considered cosmic-ray particle acceleration by moving magnetic fields¹ or electromagnetic waves.² In terms of the realizable laboratory technology for collective accelerators,

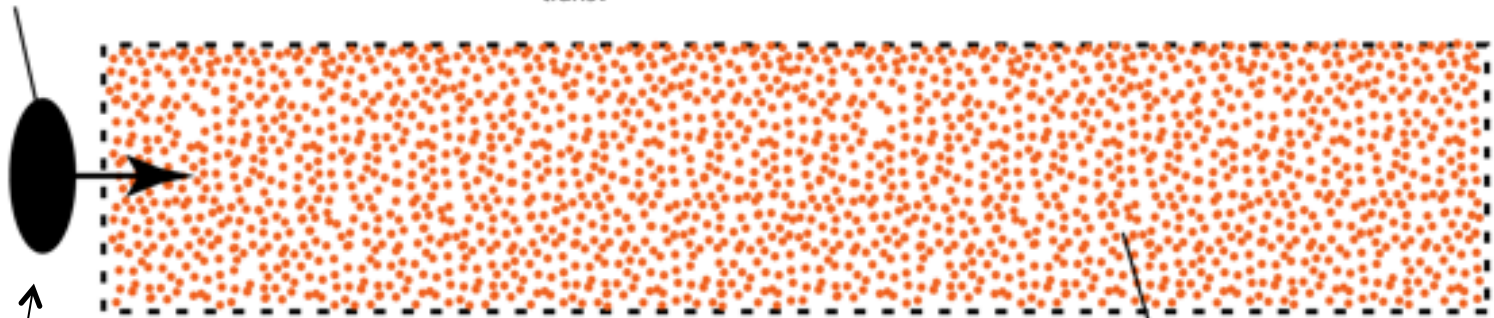
the wavelength of the plasma waves in the wake:

$$L_1 = \lambda_w / 2 = \pi c / \omega_p. \quad (2)$$

An alternative way of exciting the plasmon is to inject two laser beams with slightly different frequencies (with frequency difference $\Delta\omega \sim \omega_p$) so that the beat distance of the packet becomes

Laser Plasma-Acceleration (Internal Injection)

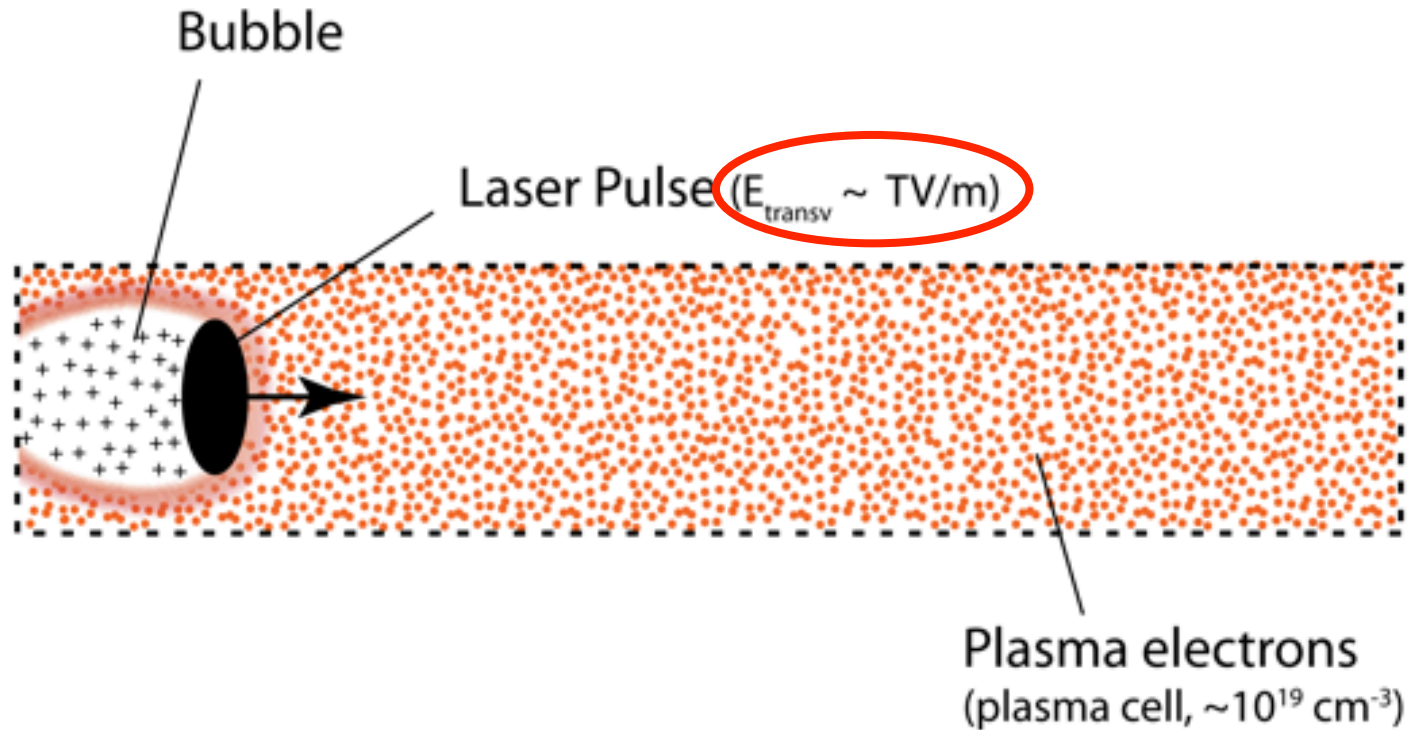
Laser Pulse (200 TW, ~30 fs, $E_{\text{transv}} \sim \text{TV/m}$)



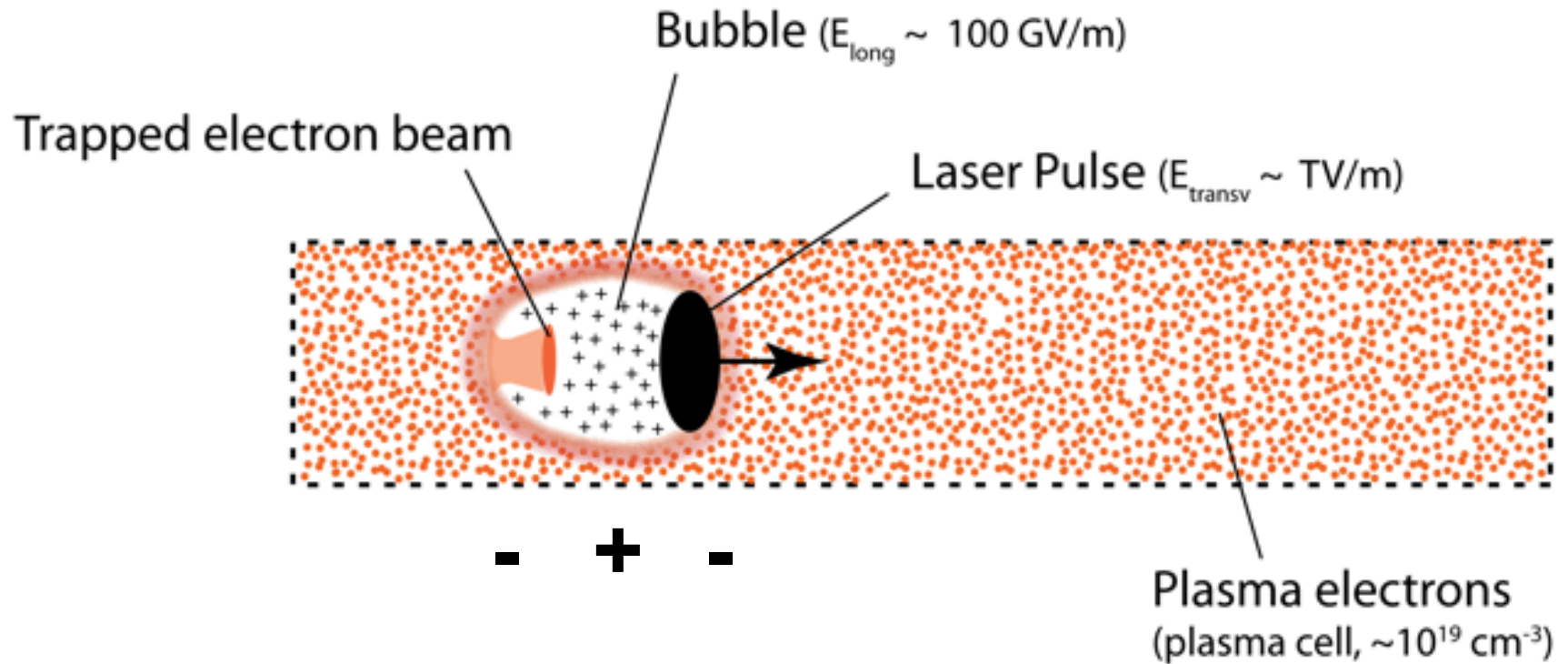
Plasma electrons
(plasma cell, $\sim 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$)

Works the same way with an **electron beam as wakefield driver**. But then usually lower plasma density. Ponderomotive force of laser is then replaced with space charge force of electrons on plasma electrons (repelling).

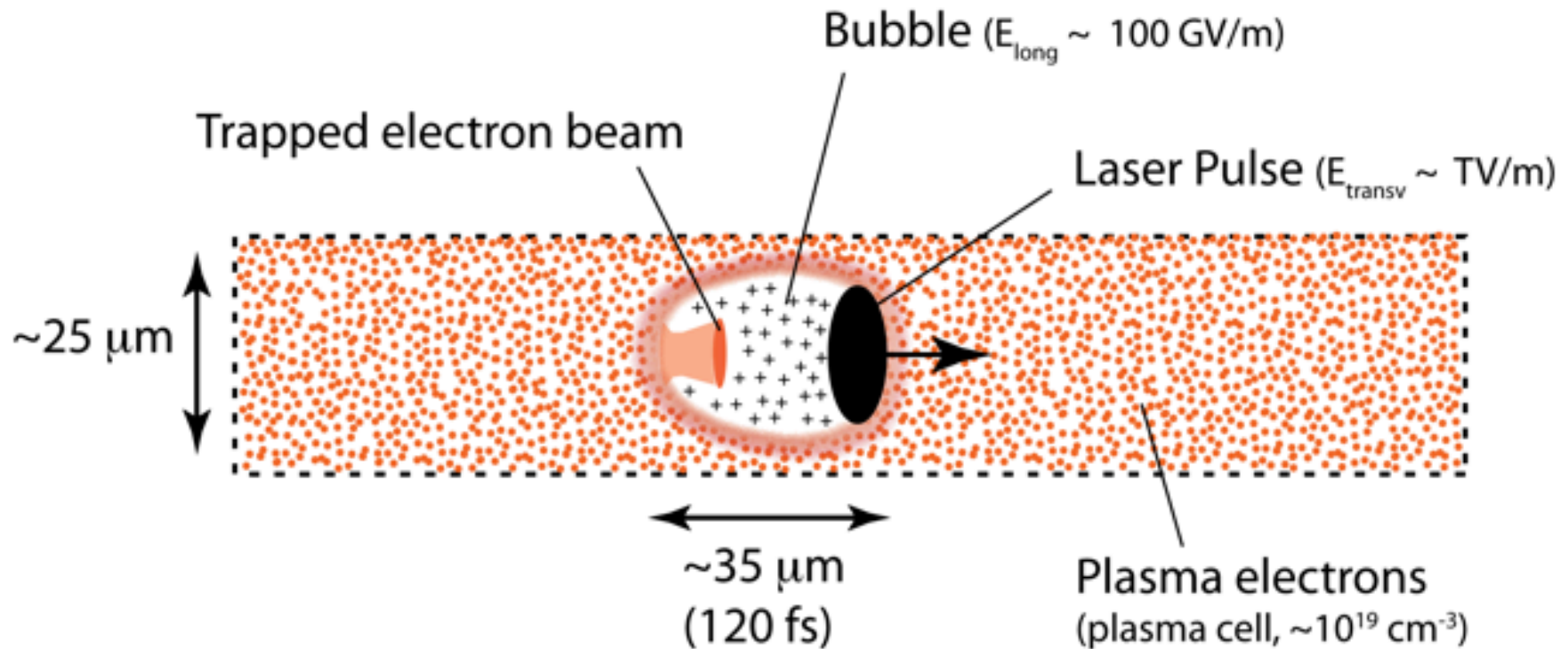
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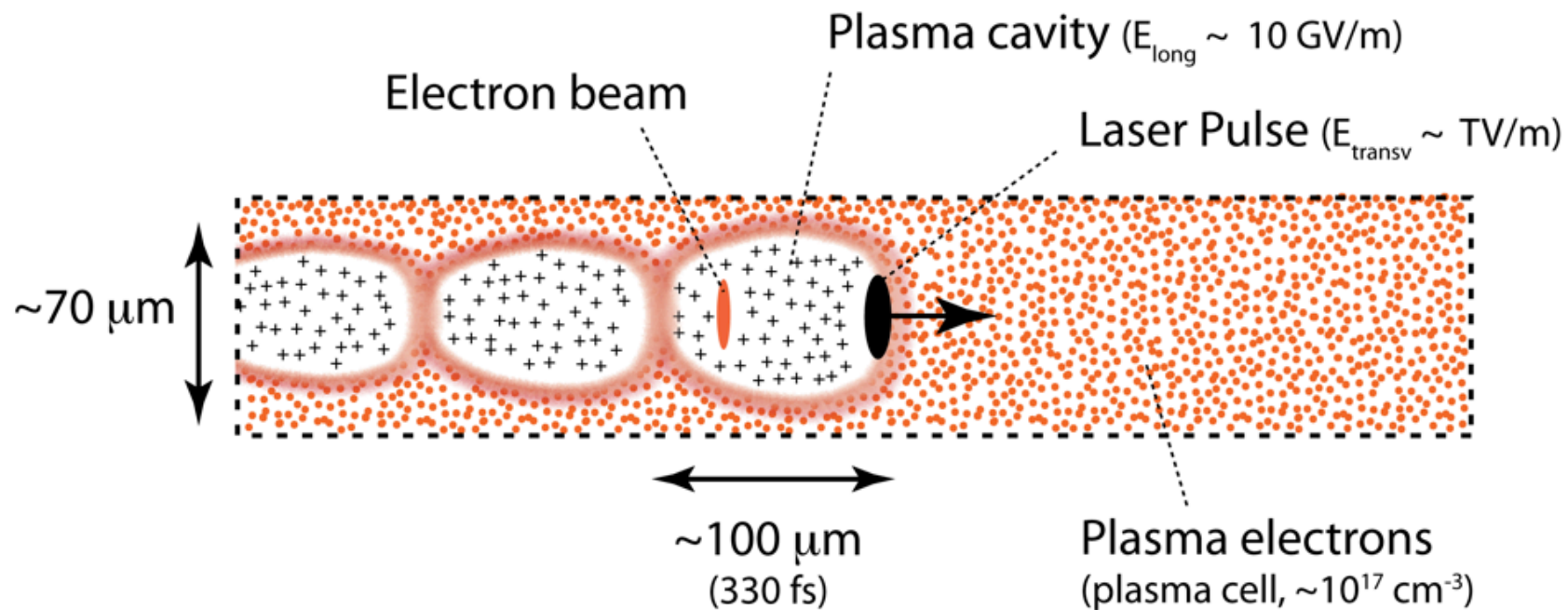
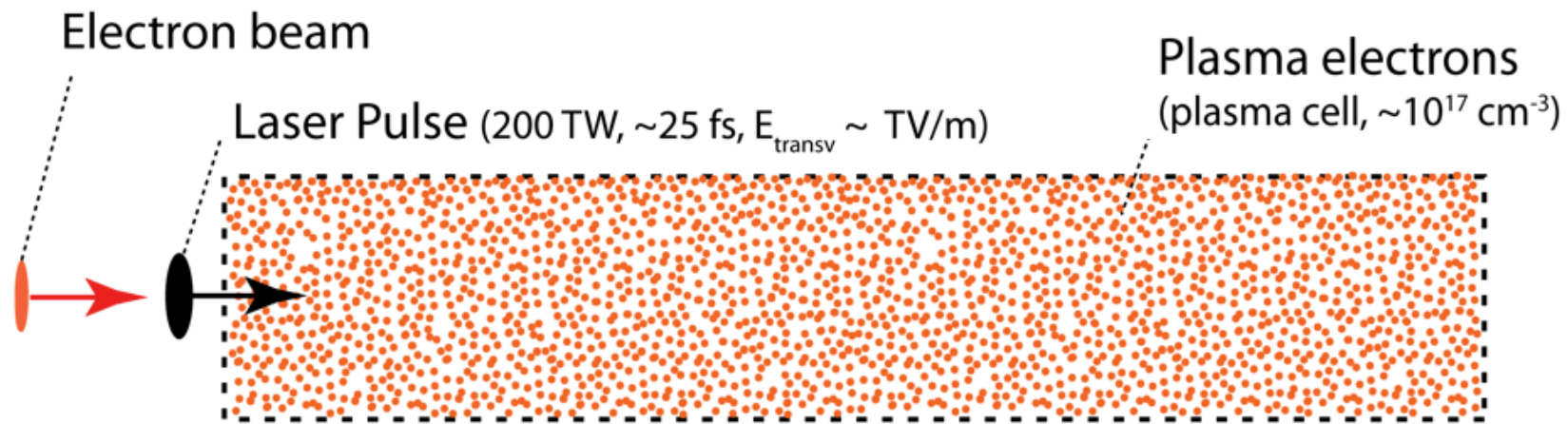


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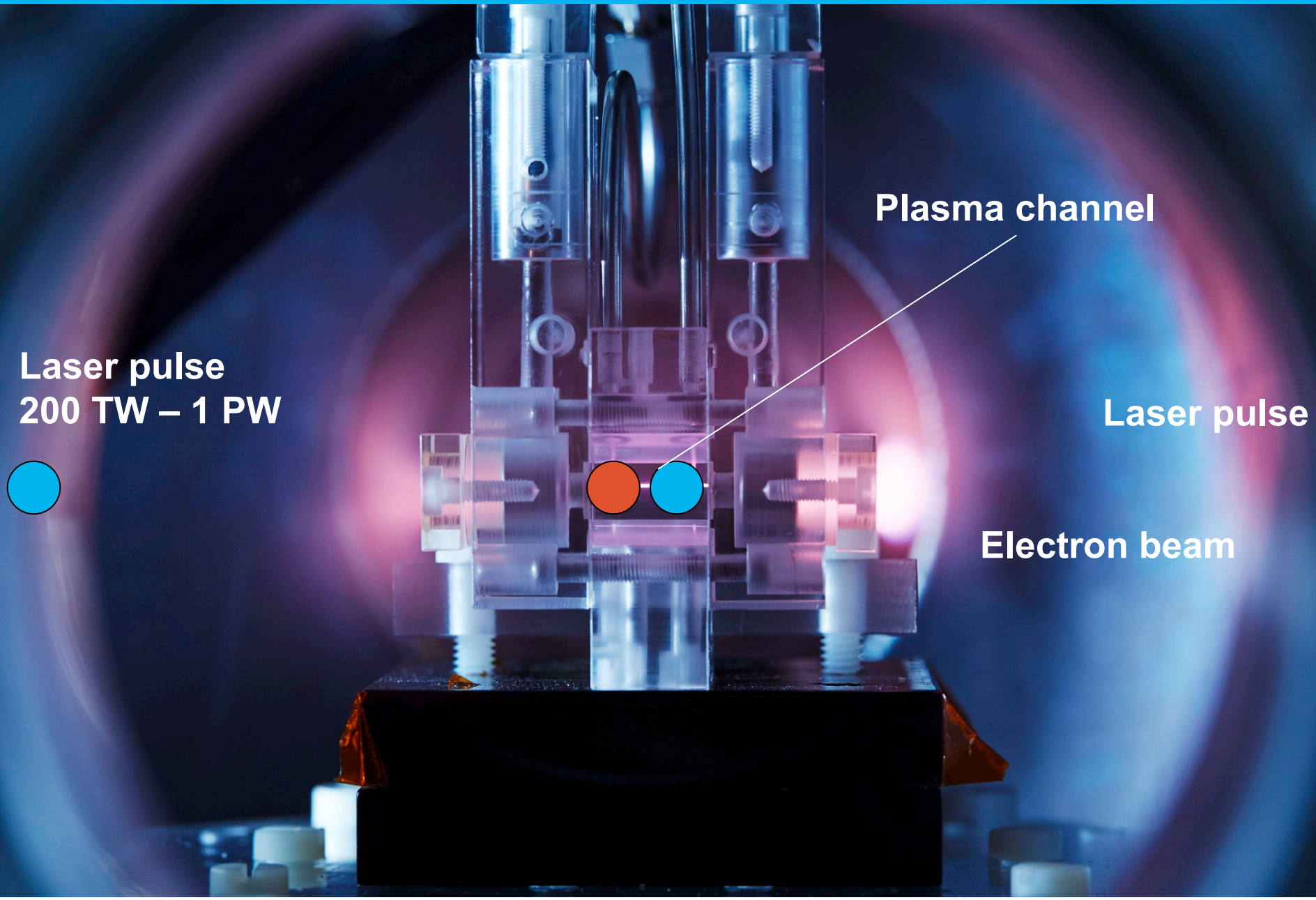


This accelerator fits into a human hair!

External Injection...



Laser Plasma Accelerators for Electron Beams



And the Plasma Accelerator is Compact...

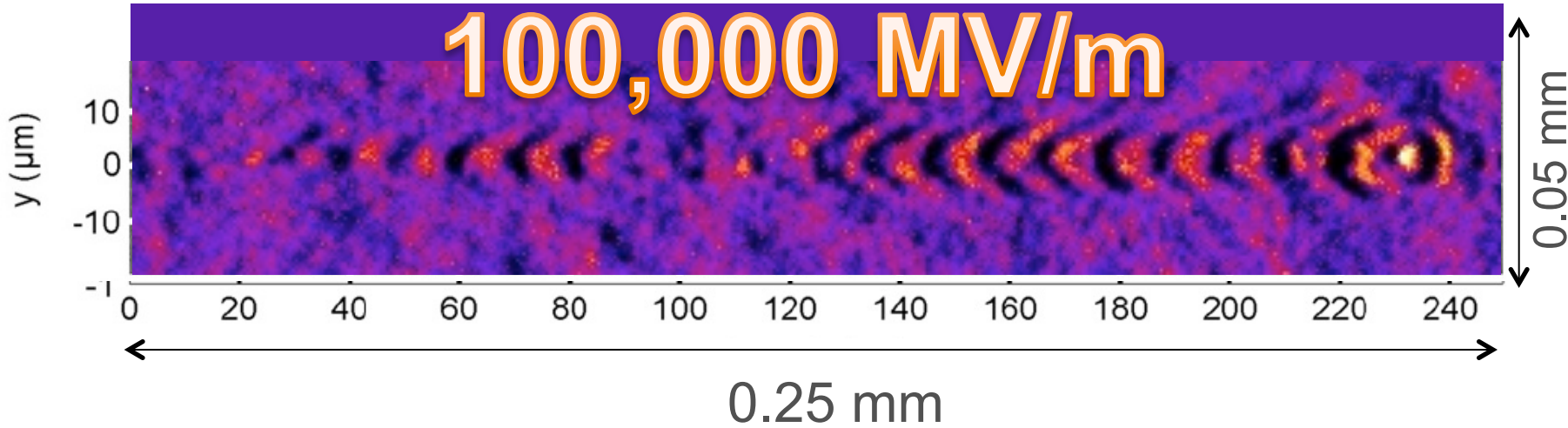


Foto Laser-Plasmabeschleuniger

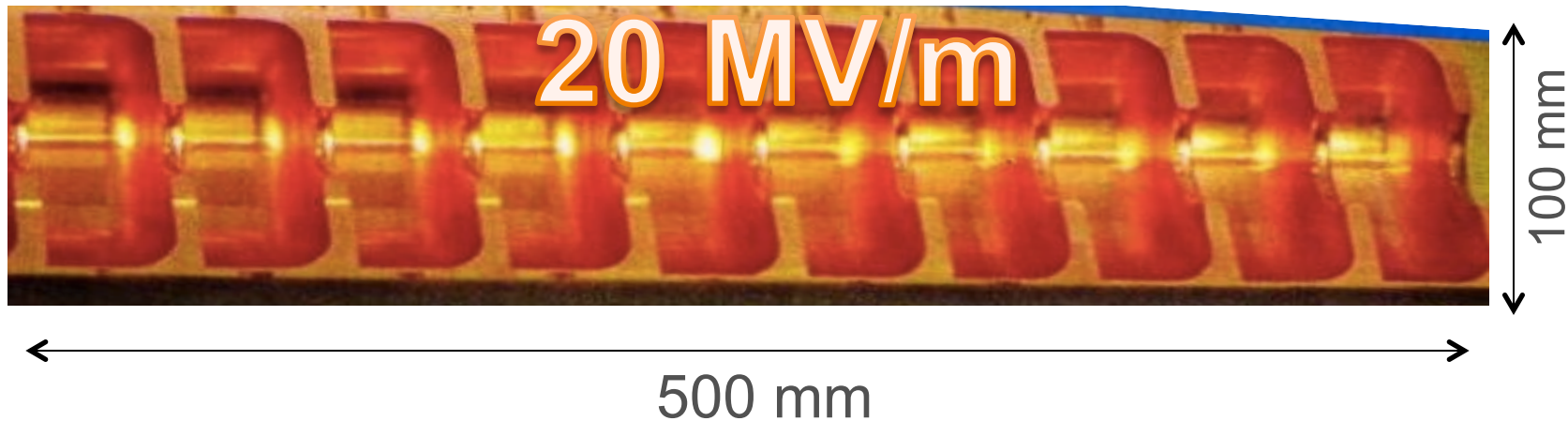
Few-cycle optical probe-pulse for investigation of relativistic laser-plasma interactions

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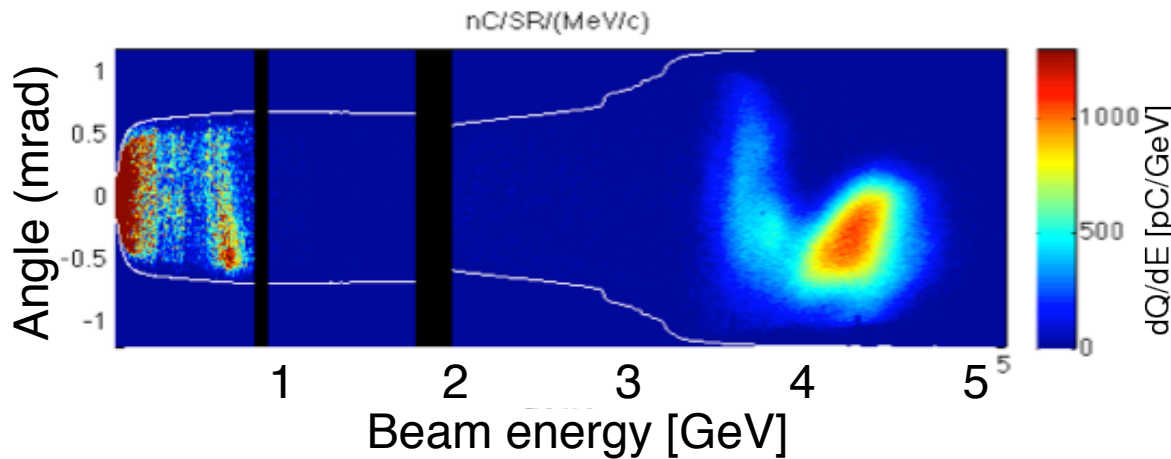
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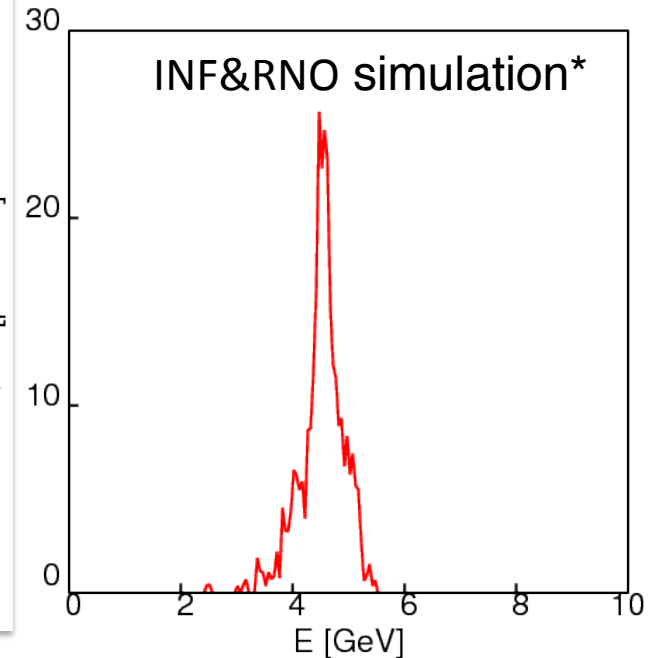
4.25 GeV beams have been obtained from 9 cm plasma channel powered by 310 TW laser pulses (15 J)

*C. Benedetti et al., proceedings of AAC2010, proceedings of ICAP2012

Electron beam spectrum



INF&RNO simulation*



Slide: W. Leemans

- **Laser** (E=15 J):
 - Measured longitudinal profile ($T_0 = 40$ fs)
 - Measured far field mode ($w_0 = 53$ μm)
- **Plasma**: parabolic plasma channel (**length 9 cm**, $n_0 \sim 6 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$)

W.P. Leemans et al., PRL 2014, in print

	Exp.	Sim.
Energy	4.25 GeV	4.5 GeV
$\Delta E/E$	5%	3.2%
Charge	~ 20 pC	23 pC
Divergence	0.3 mrad	0.6 mrad

Wait one moment... Compact and Cost-Effective?

- > Consider laser-driven plasma: Presently one can buy **1 Peta-Watt Ti:Sa** lasers from industry for a low double digit million € cost.
- > The most compact 1 PW laser is installed in HZDR, Dresden, Germany (part of ARD):

Required space: 120 m²
(can be visited)

- > The laser size drives the size of such an accelerator facility. With such a 1 PW laser electrons of **4.25 GeV have been produced within 9 cm** (see LBNL result).
- > The 1 PW laser should be sufficient for a **10 GeV accelerator within about 20 cm**. Total footprint: about 200-300 m² (incl. all infrastructure).
- > Now do this conventionally and compare size and cost!
(e.g. **10 GeV = 500 m of conventional acceleration with 20 MV/m**)
- > Need to bring up quality, efficiency and repetition rate.



1. Accelerators – From Conventional Techniques to Plasmas
- 2. The Linear Regime**
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Linear Wakefields (R. Ruth / P. Chen 1986)

$$\mathcal{E}_z \simeq -A \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{a^2}\right) \cos(k_p z - \omega_p t)$$

$$r \ll a$$

$$\mathcal{E}_r \simeq 2A \frac{r}{k_p a^2} \sin(k_p z - \omega_p t)$$

\mathcal{E} = electrical field

z = long. coord.

r = radial coord.

a = driver radius

ω_p = plasma frequency

k_p = plasma wave number

t = time variable

e = electron charge

N = number e- drive bunch

$$A = \begin{cases} \frac{\omega_p \tau k_p e E_0^2}{8 \omega^2 m} & PBWA \\ \frac{8eN}{a^2} & PWFA \end{cases}$$

ω = laser frequency

τ = laser pulse length

E_0 = laser electrical field

m = mass of electron

Can be analytically solved and treated. Here comparison beam-driven and laser-driven (beat wave).



Linear Wakefields (R. Ruth / P. Chen 1986)

Accelerating field

Depends on radial position r

Changes between accelerating and decelerating as function of longitudinal position z

$$\mathcal{E}_z \simeq -A \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{a^2}\right) \cos(k_p z - \omega_p t)$$

$\pi/2$ out of phase

$$\mathcal{E}_r \simeq 2A \frac{r}{k_p a^2} \sin(k_p z - \omega_p t)$$

Transverse field

Depends on radial position r

Changes between focusing and defocusing as function of longitudinal position z



The Useful Regime of Plasma Accelerators

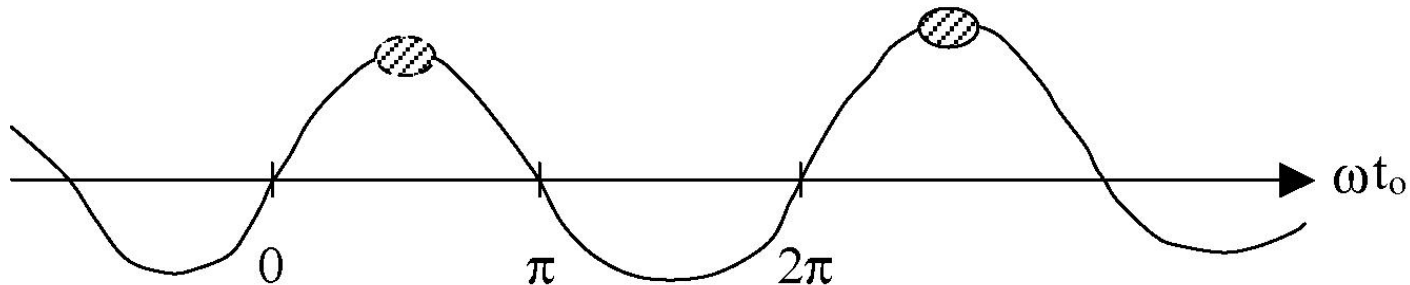
Two conditions for an accelerator:

1. **Accelerated bunch must be in accelerating regime.**
2. **Accelerated bunch must be in focusing regime.**

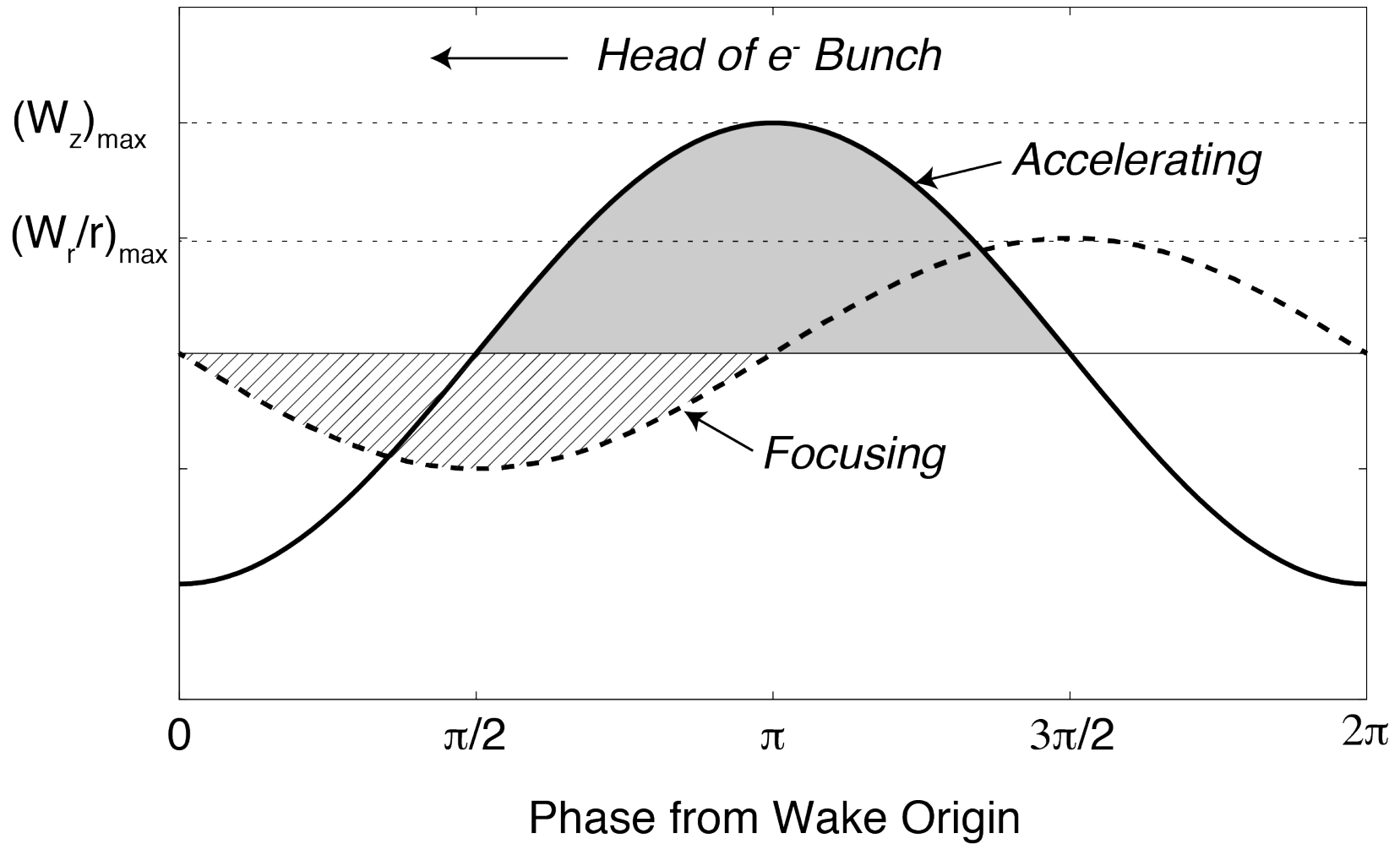
These two conditions define a useful range of acceleration!

Reminder metallic RF accelerator structures:

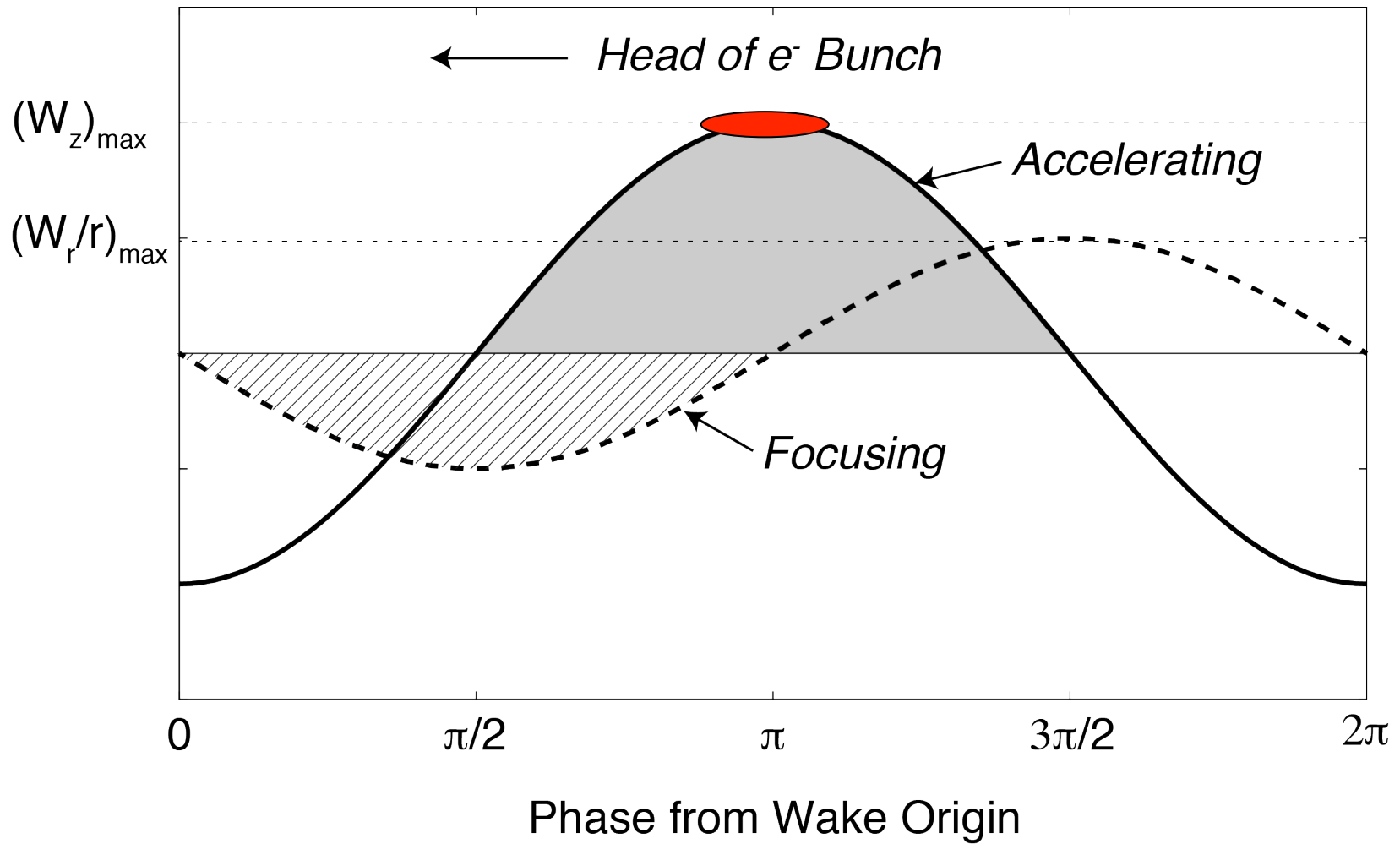
no net transverse fields for beam particles \rightarrow full accelerating range is available for beam \rightarrow usually place the beam on the crest of the accelerating voltage



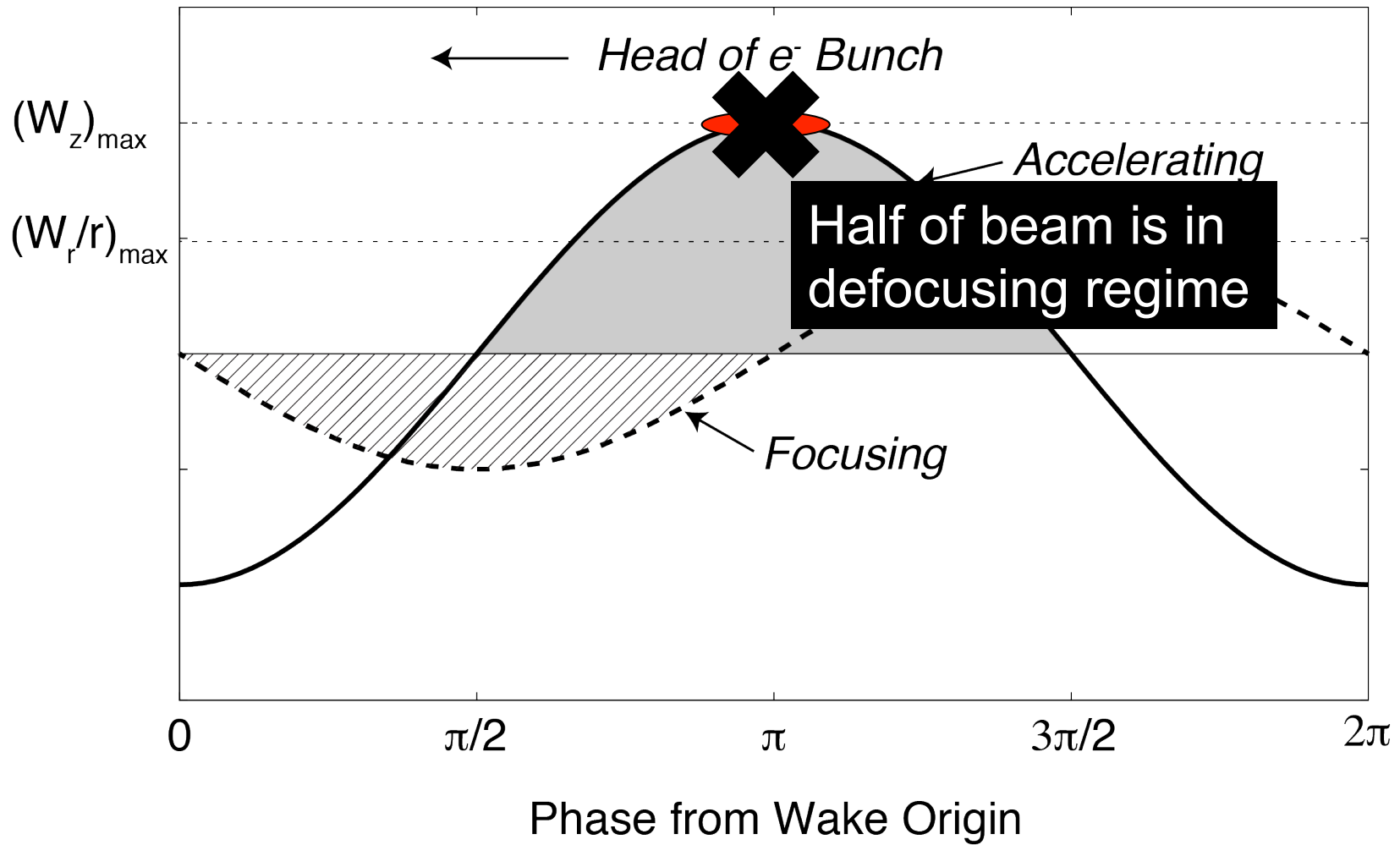
Plasma Accelerator



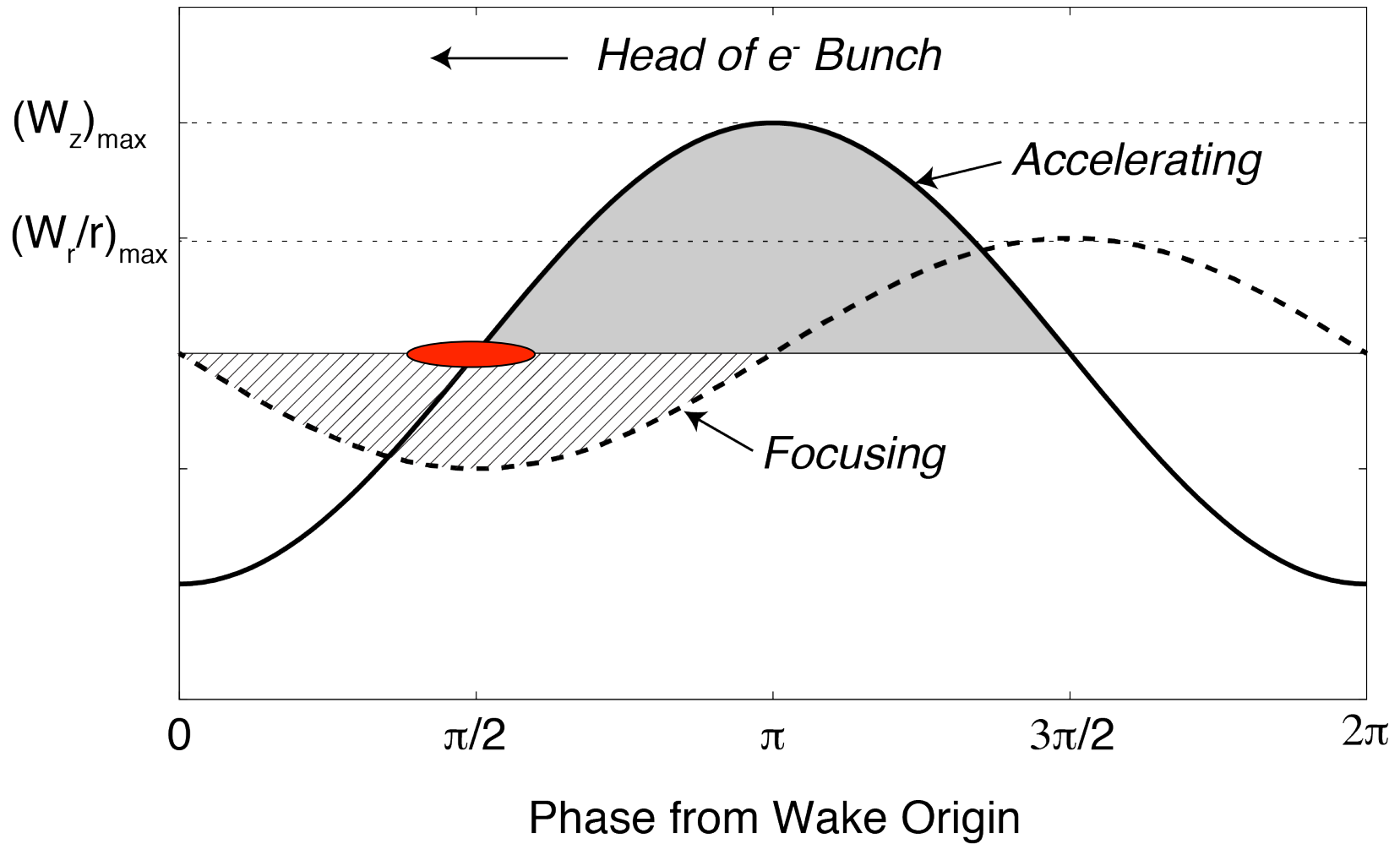
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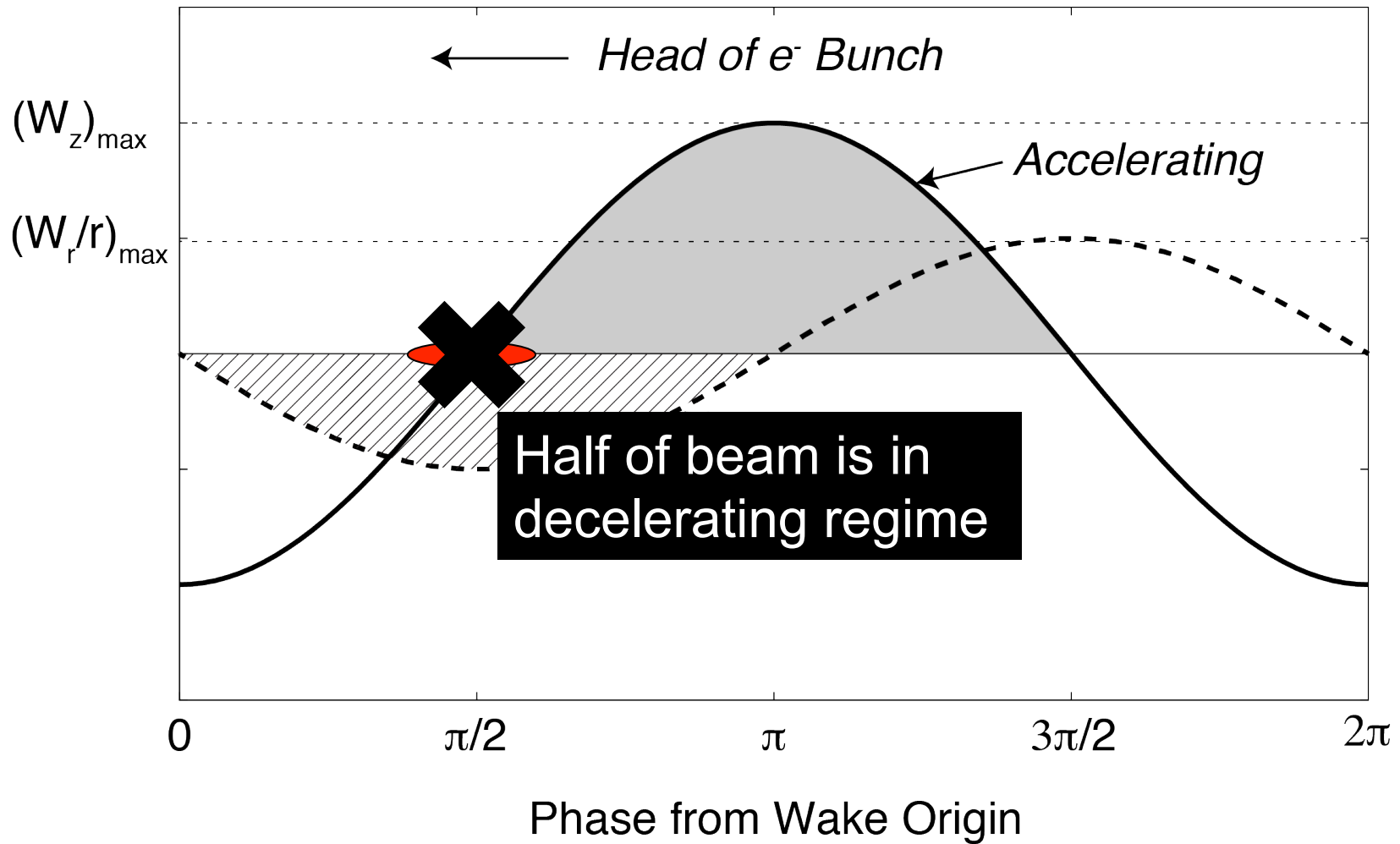
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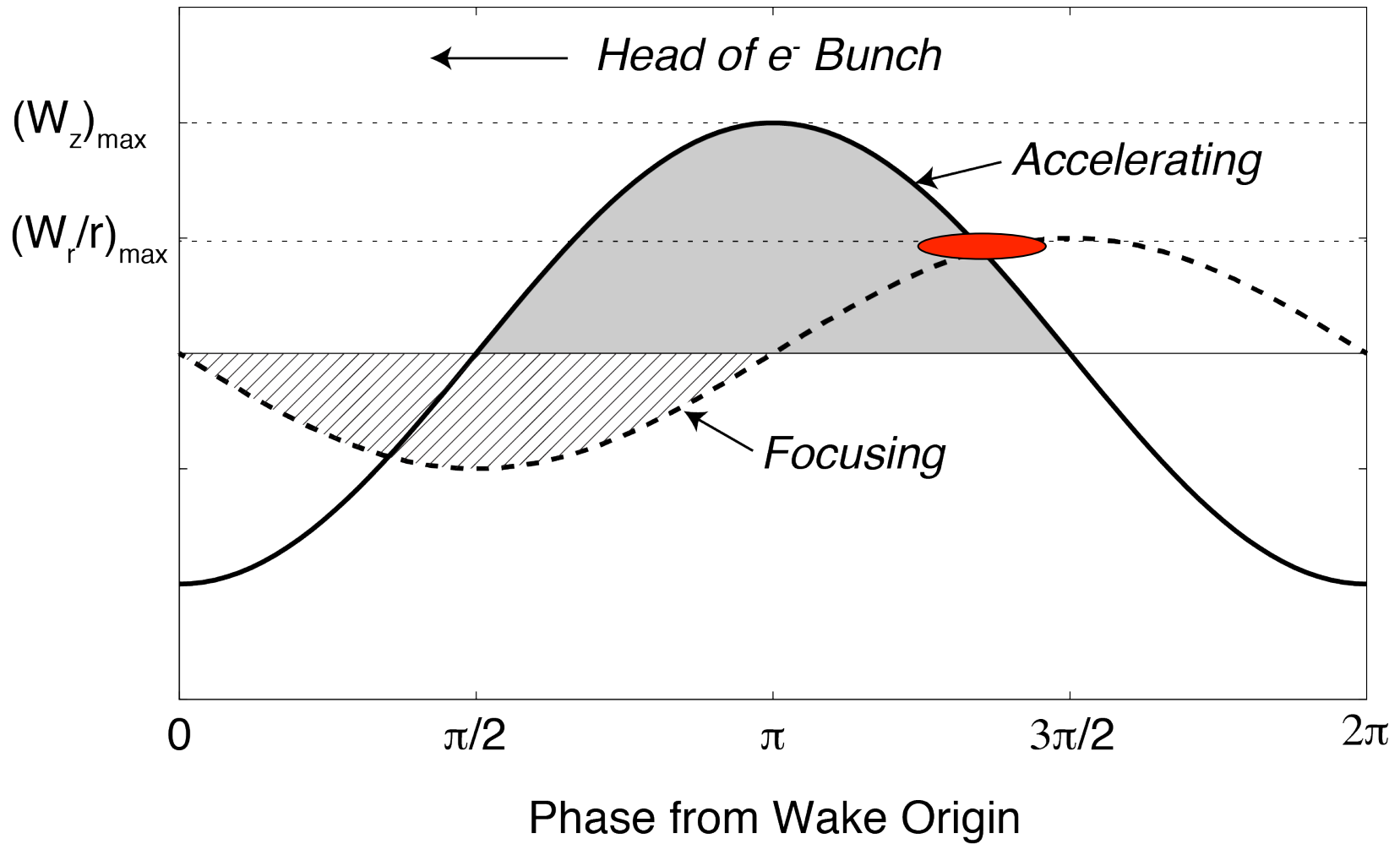
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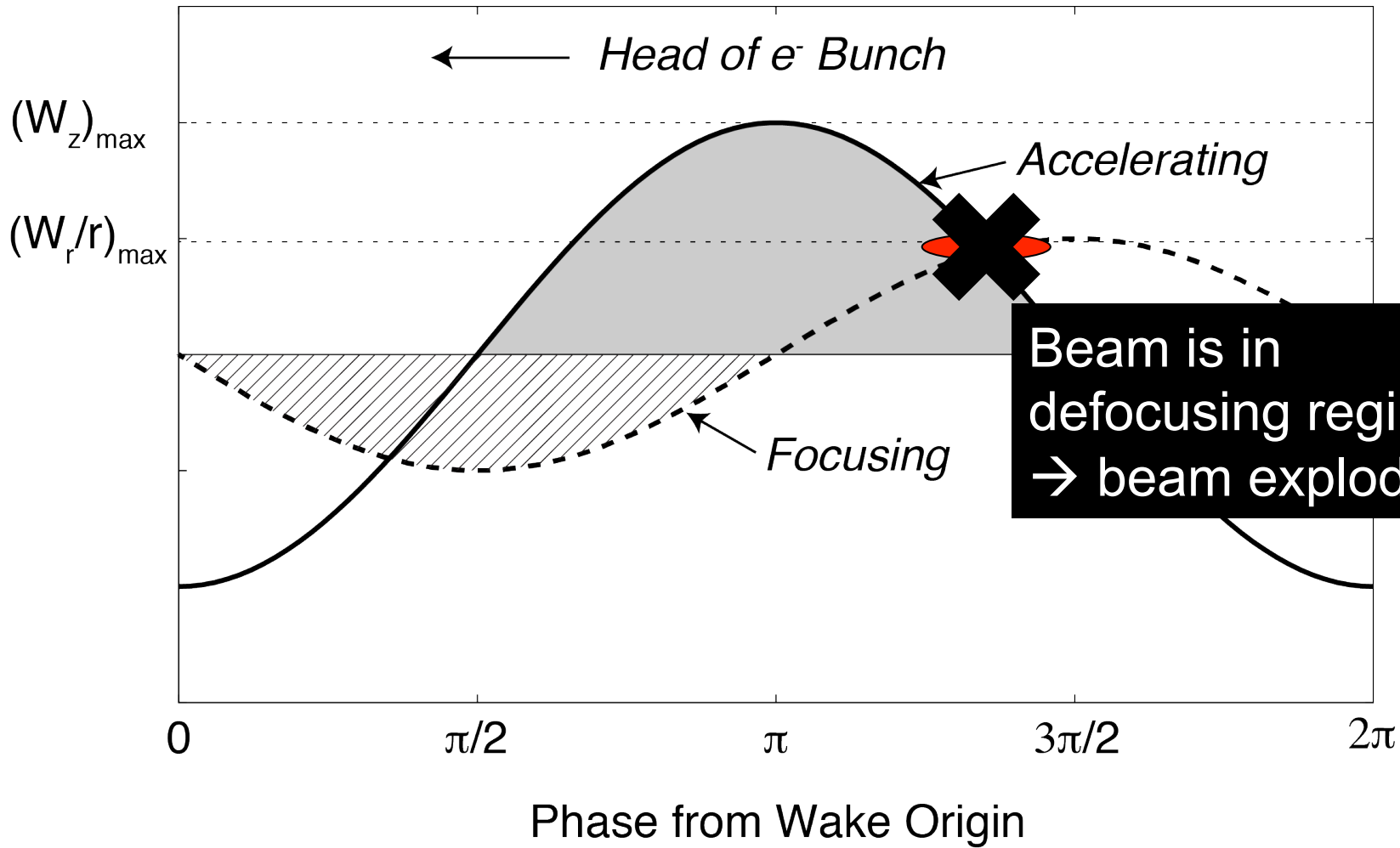
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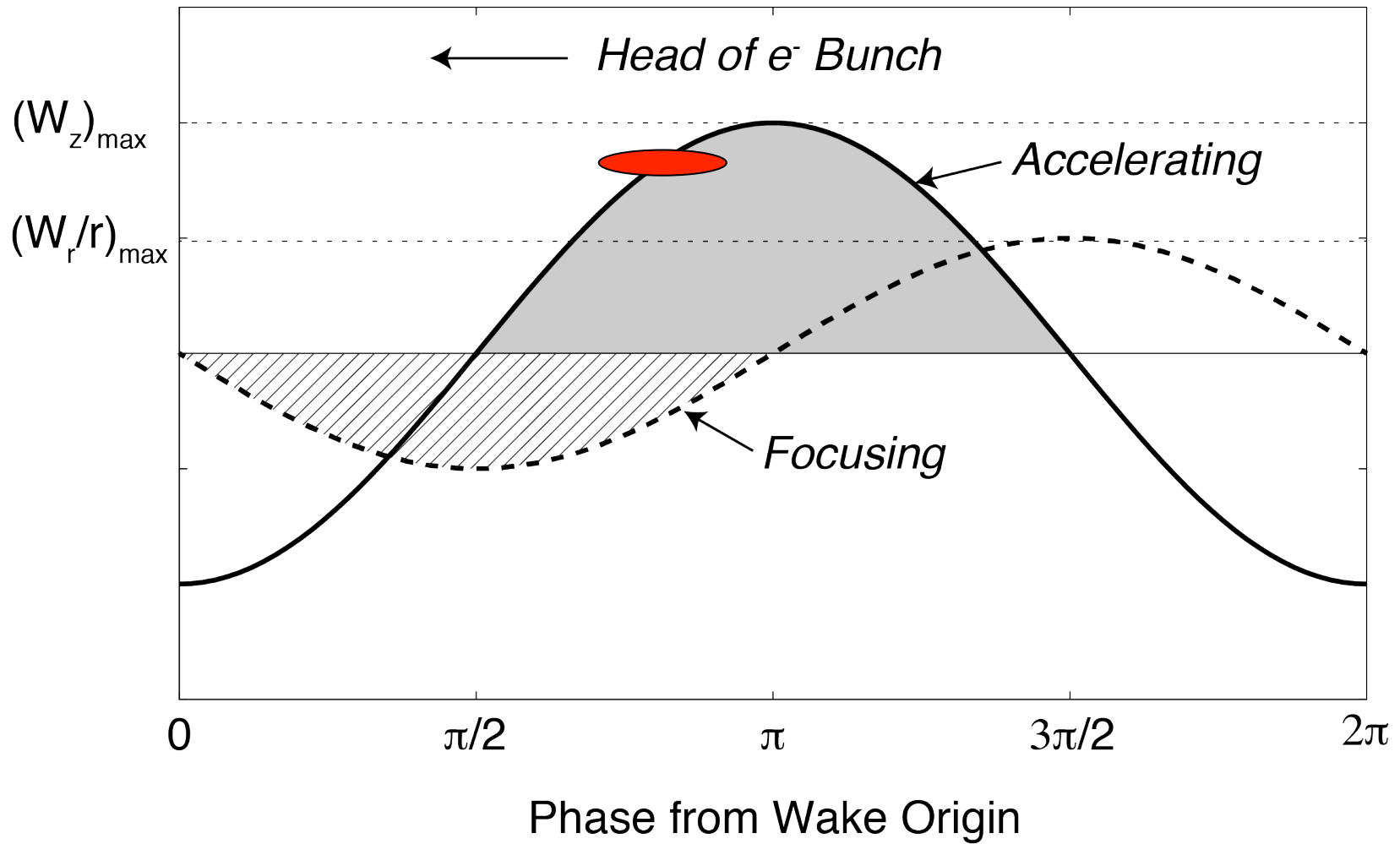
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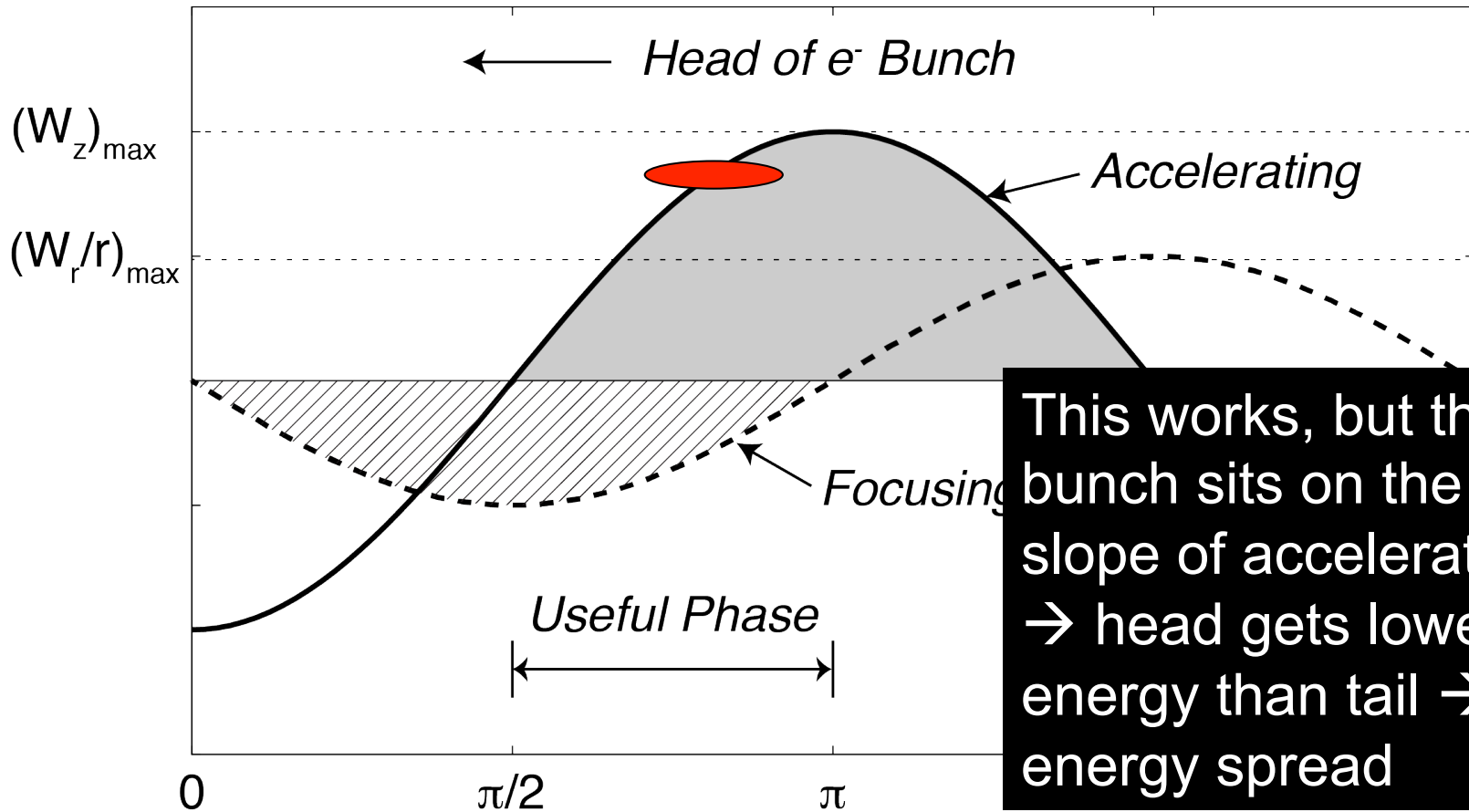
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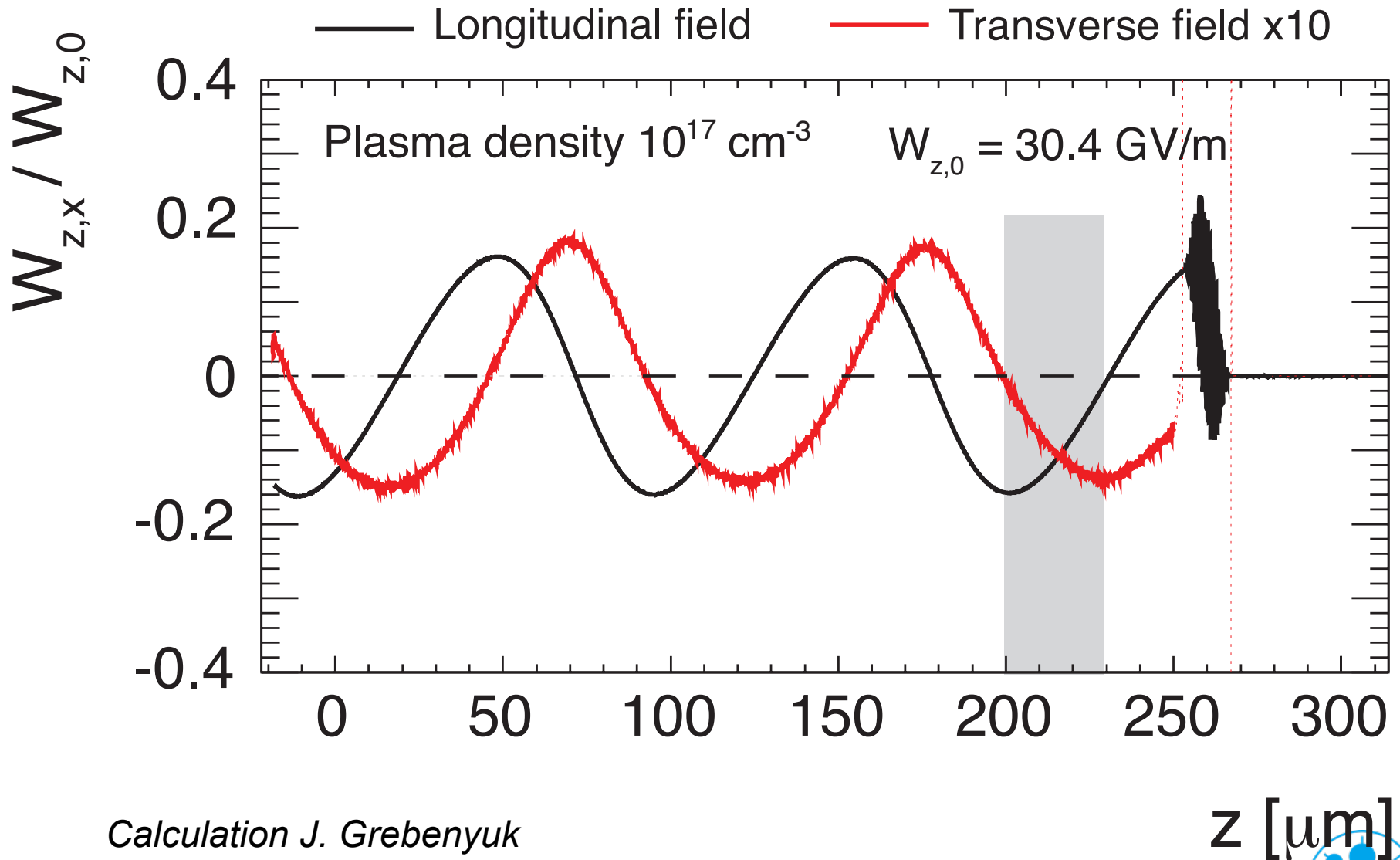


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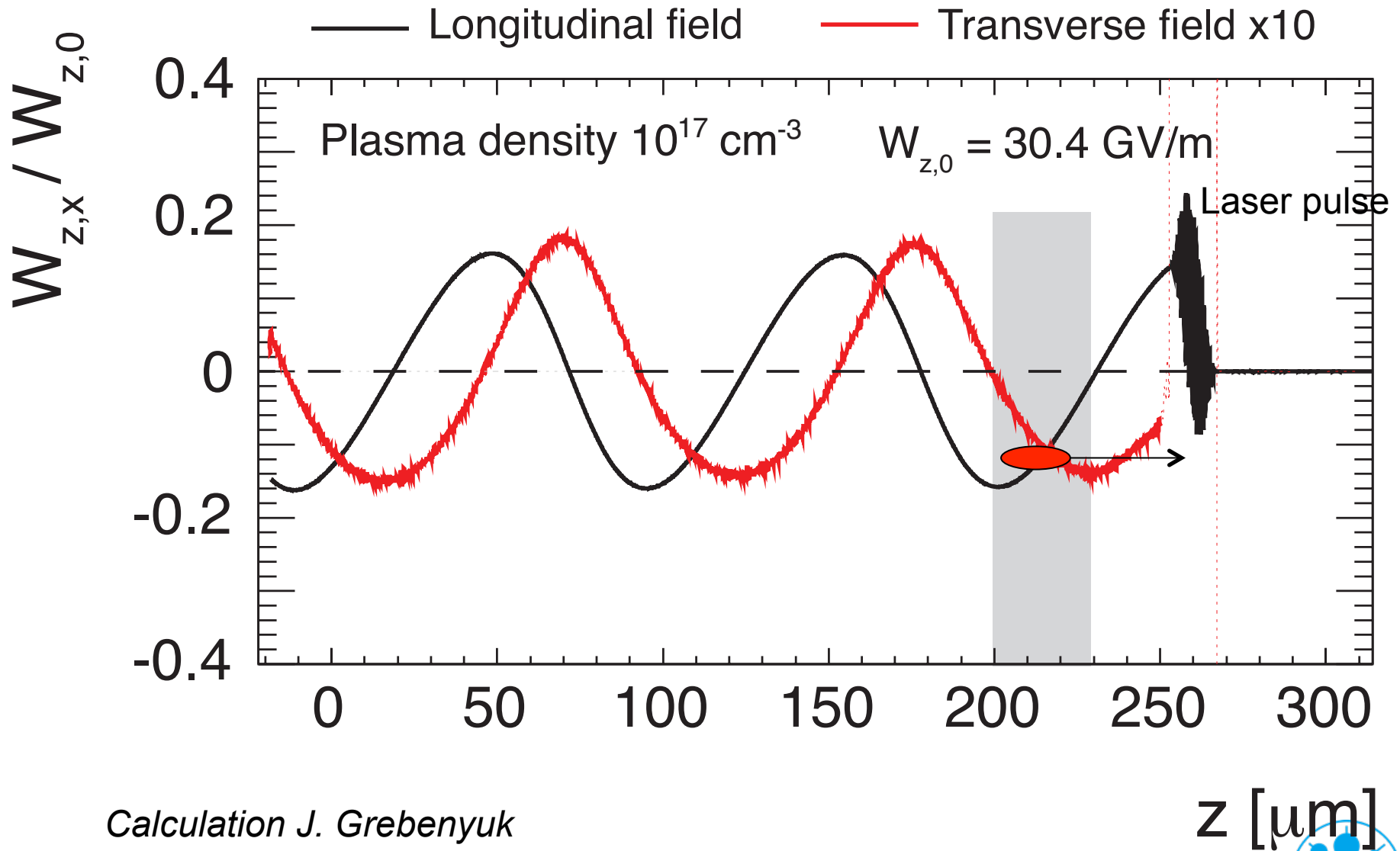


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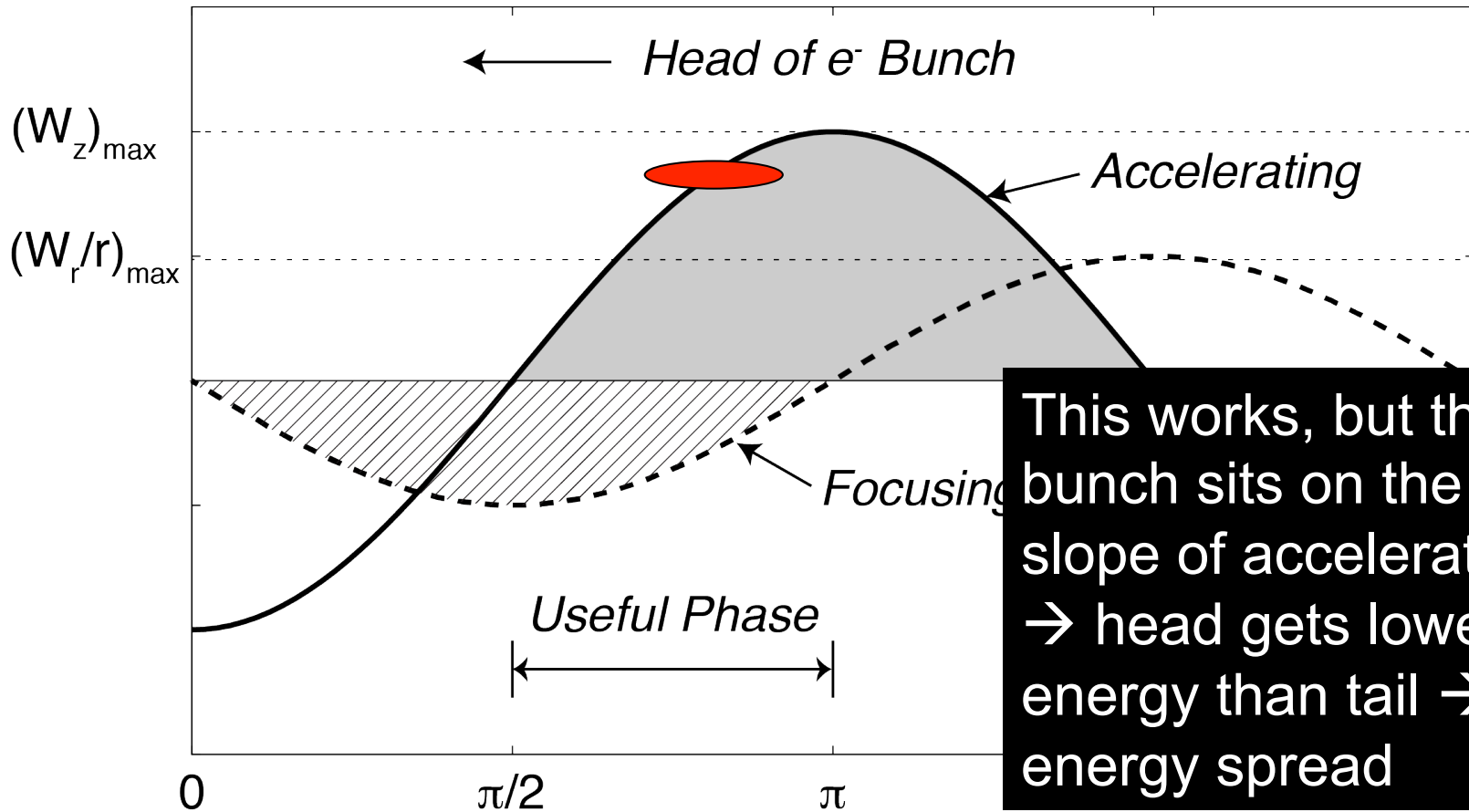
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Optimization 1: Energy Spread

Reduce energy spread (head to tail \rightarrow correlated with z)

Minimize: Ratio of accelerated bunch length over $\frac{1}{4}$ plasma wavelength!

Minimize length accelerated bunch

Ultra-short bunches (fs, as)

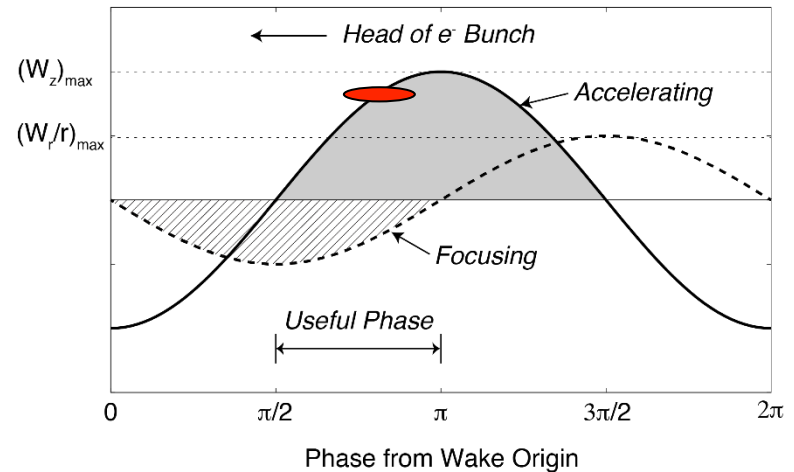
Ultra-fast science

and/or

Increase plasma wavelength

Lower plasma density

Lower accelerating gradient

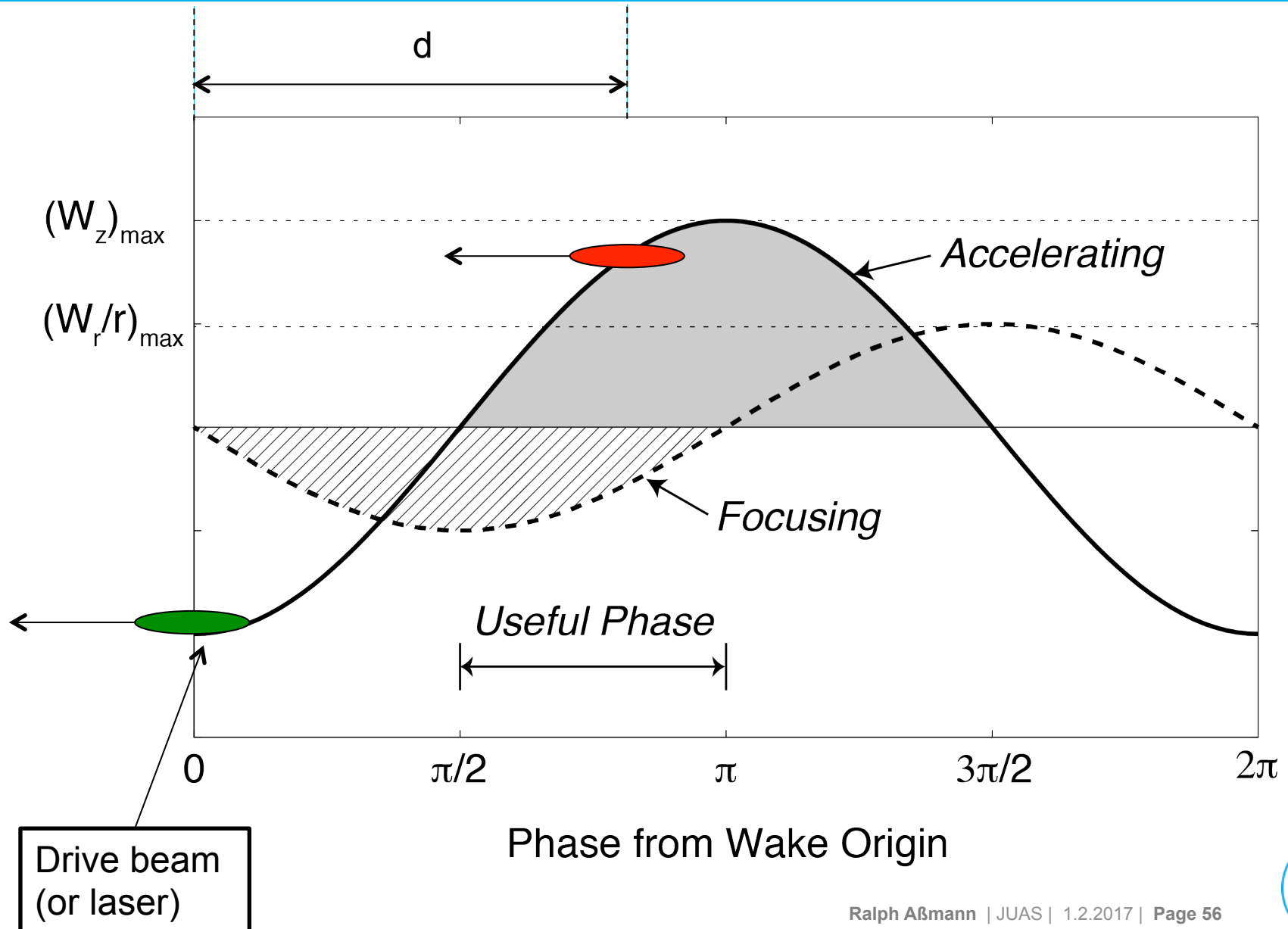


$$1 \text{ fs} = 0.3 \mu\text{m}$$

when travelling with light velocity c

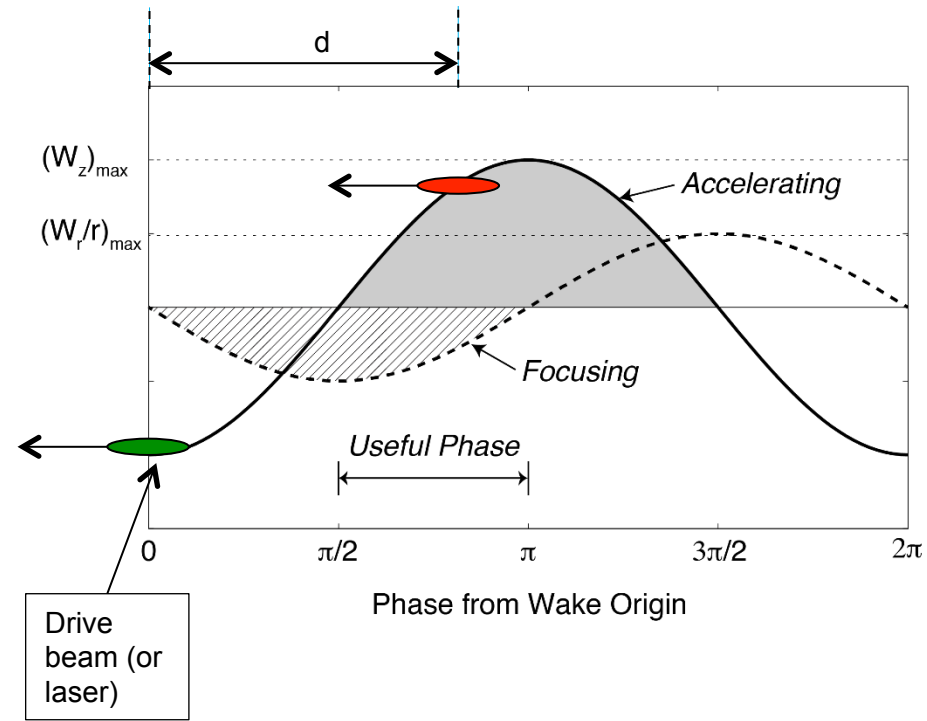


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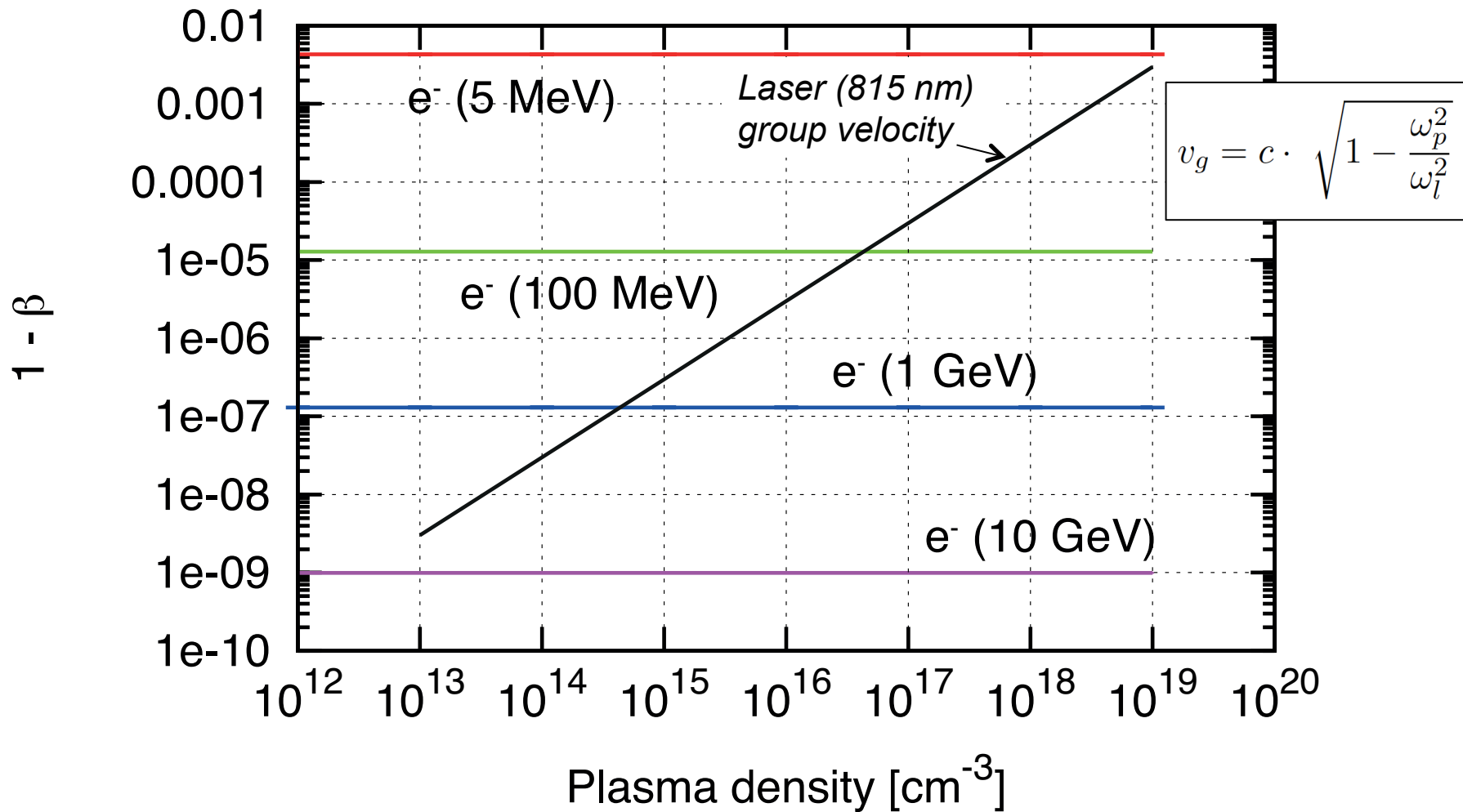


Phase Slippage

- > Keep distance d constant for maximum acceleration and minimum energy spread.
- > **Problem 1:** Drive beam loses energy and (slightly) slows down.
- > **Problem 2:** Accelerated beam starts at low energy, gains energy and (slightly) speeds up.
- > **Problem 3 (for lasers):** Laser group velocity depends on plasma density and is slower than light velocity c .



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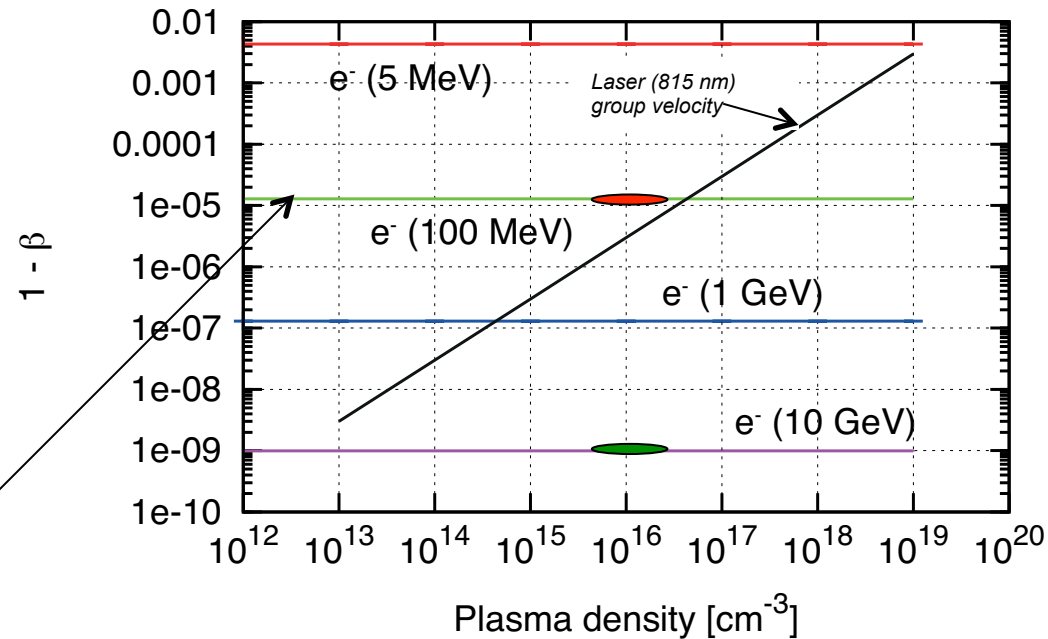
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➤ Plasma wavelength: **10 μm ($n_0=1e19$) – 1 mm ($n_0=1e15$)**

➤ However:

- Driver electrons are decelerated and slow down.
- Accelerated electrons speed up.

➤ Big advantage of beam-driven...



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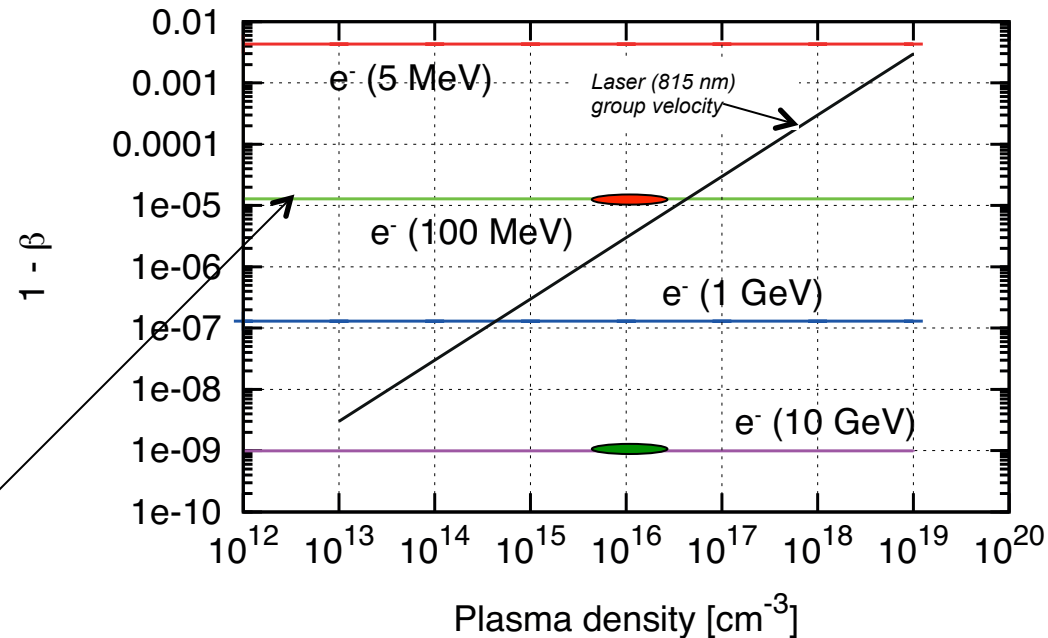
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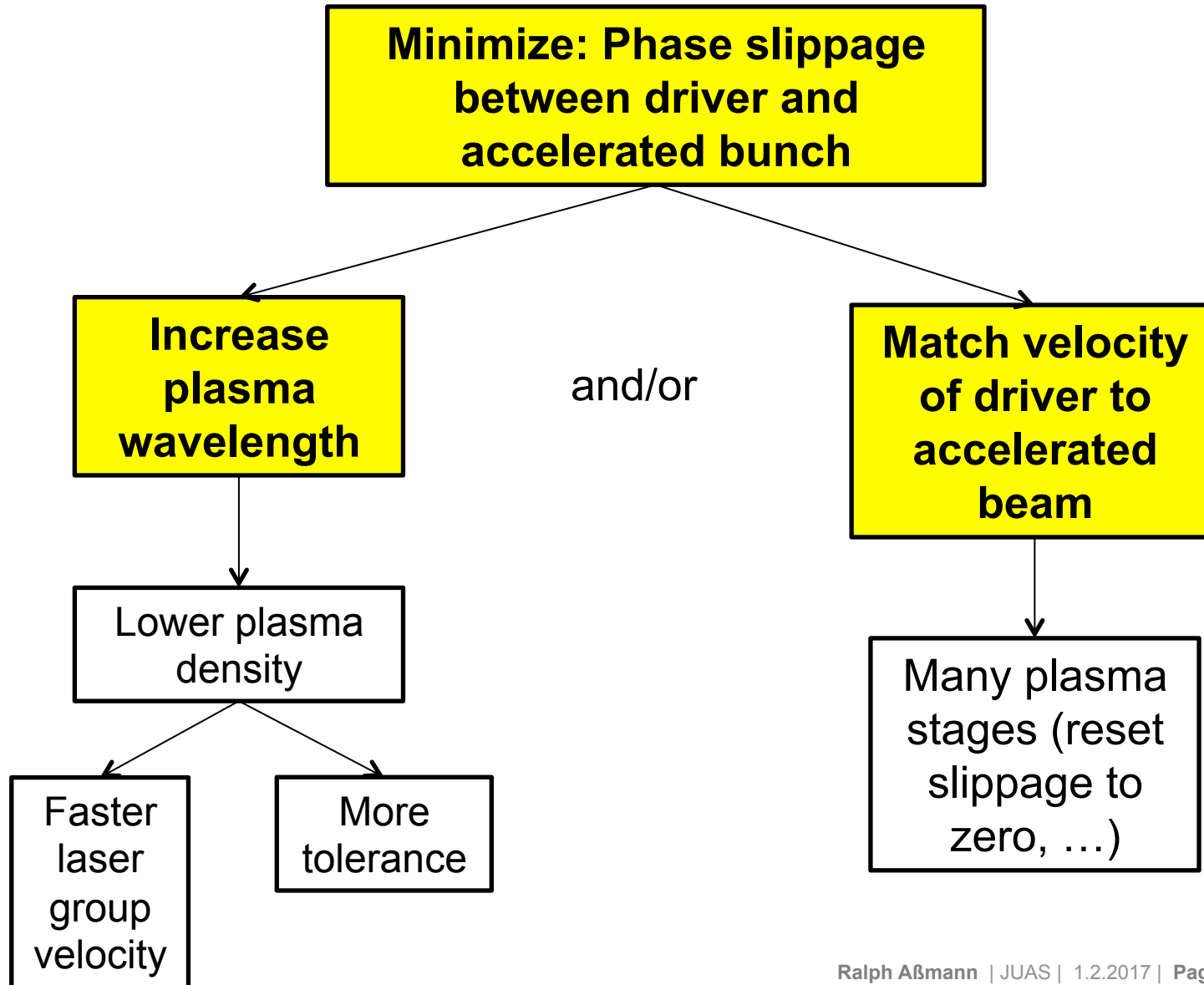
3.6° - 360°

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Optimization 2: Phase Slippage



Optimization 3: Stability / Reproducibility

Stabilize: Distance between driver and accelerated bunch.

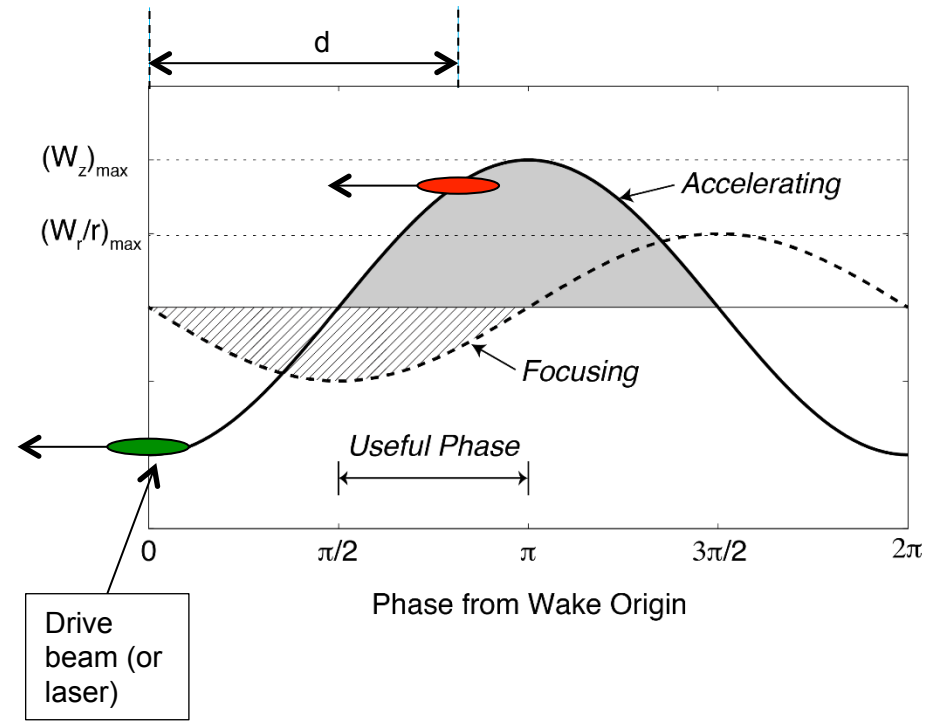
Internally generate accelerated electron bunch

High accelerating fields

High plasma density

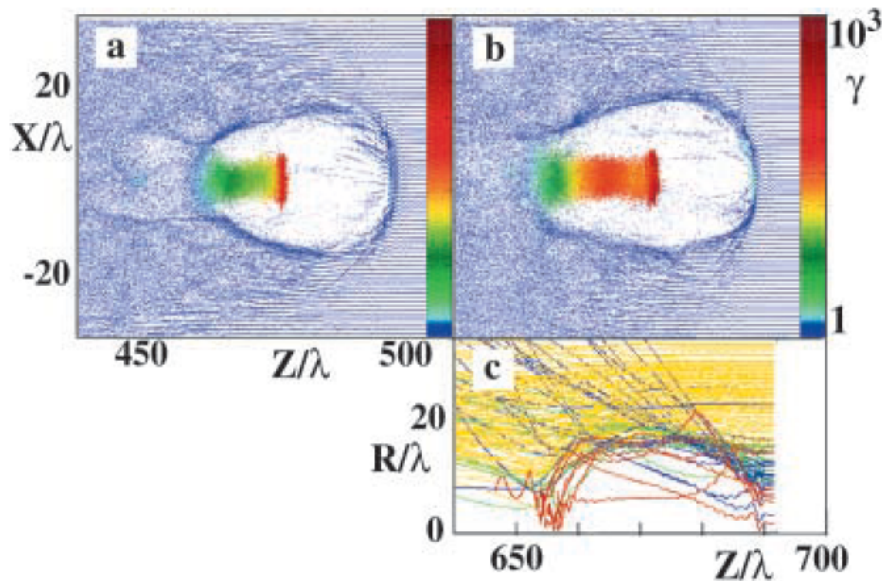
Synchronize externally injected beam to driver

Synchronize with **30 fs to 0.3 fs accuracy** for few degree phase stability



Warning: Non-Linearities are Important

- Plasma wakefield acceleration is most often operated in the so-called **non-linear regime**.
- No time to discuss here – would require more time.
- Accelerating field approaches triangular shape and focusing field is constant with radius → easier regime in many aspects.
- Electron trapping (beam forming) occurs here.



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Applied Physics B
Lasers and Optics

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Laser wake field acceleration: the highly non-linear broken-wave regime

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Plasma Accelerator Physics I

- > A plasma of density n_0 (same density electrons - ions) is characterized by the **plasma frequency**:

$$\omega_p = \sqrt{\frac{n_0 e^2}{\epsilon_0 m_e}}$$

- > This translates into a **wavelength** of the plasma oscillation:

$$\lambda_p \approx 1\text{mm} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{10^{15}\text{cm}^{-3}}{n_0}}.$$

0.3 mm for $n_0 = 10^{16}\text{cm}^{-3}$

- > The wavelength gives the longitudinal size of the plasma cavity...
Lower plasma density is good: larger dimensions.



Plasma Accelerator Physics II

- > The plasma oscillation leads to **longitudinal accelerating fields** with a gradient of (higher plasma densities are better):

$$W_z = 96 \frac{V}{m} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_0}{\text{cm}^{-3}}} \quad \propto N_b / \sigma_z^2 \quad \text{9.6 GV/m for } 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

- > The **group velocity of the laser in a plasma** is as follows for $\omega_p \ll \omega_l$:
(note ω_l is laser frequency)

$$v_g = c \cdot \sqrt{1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega_l^2}}$$

- > The laser-driven wakefield has a lower velocity than a fully relativistic electron \rightarrow slippage and dephasing. Lower densities are better.



Plasma Accelerator Physics III

- > The ion channel left on axis, where the beam passes, induces an **ultra-strong focusing field**. In the simplest case:

$$g = 960 \pi \cdot \left(\frac{n_0}{10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right) \text{ T/m} \quad \text{300 kT/m for } 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

- > This can be converted into a **optical beta function** (lower density is better, as beta function is larger)::

$$k_\beta^2 = 0.2998 \frac{g}{E} \quad \beta = \frac{1}{k_\beta} \quad \beta = 1.1 \text{ mm for } 100 \text{ MeV}$$

- > The **phase advance** in the plasma channel is rapid:

$$\psi(s) = \int k_\beta s \, ds \propto \sqrt{E}$$



Plasma Accelerator Physics IV

- > The **matched beam size** in the ion channel is small:

$$\sigma_0 = \sqrt{\beta \varepsilon}$$

$$\sigma_0 = 1.3 \mu\text{m for } \gamma \varepsilon = 0.3 \mu\text{m}$$

- > Offsets between laser and beam centres will induce betatron oscillations. Assume: full dilution into emittance growth (energy spread and high phase advance).
- > Tolerances for **emittance growth** due to offsets $\Delta x = \sigma_x$:

$$\frac{\Delta \varepsilon}{\varepsilon_0} = \left(\frac{\sigma_x}{\sigma_0} \right)^2$$

$$100\% \text{ for } 1.3 \mu\text{m offset}$$

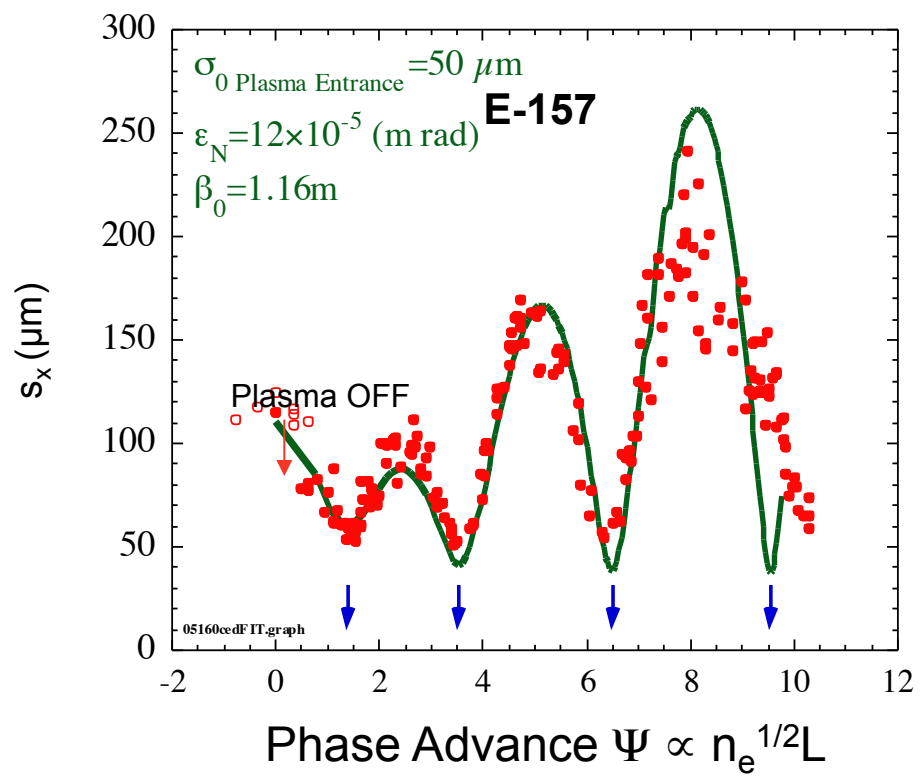
- > Lower plasma density better: larger matched beam size, bigger tolerances.



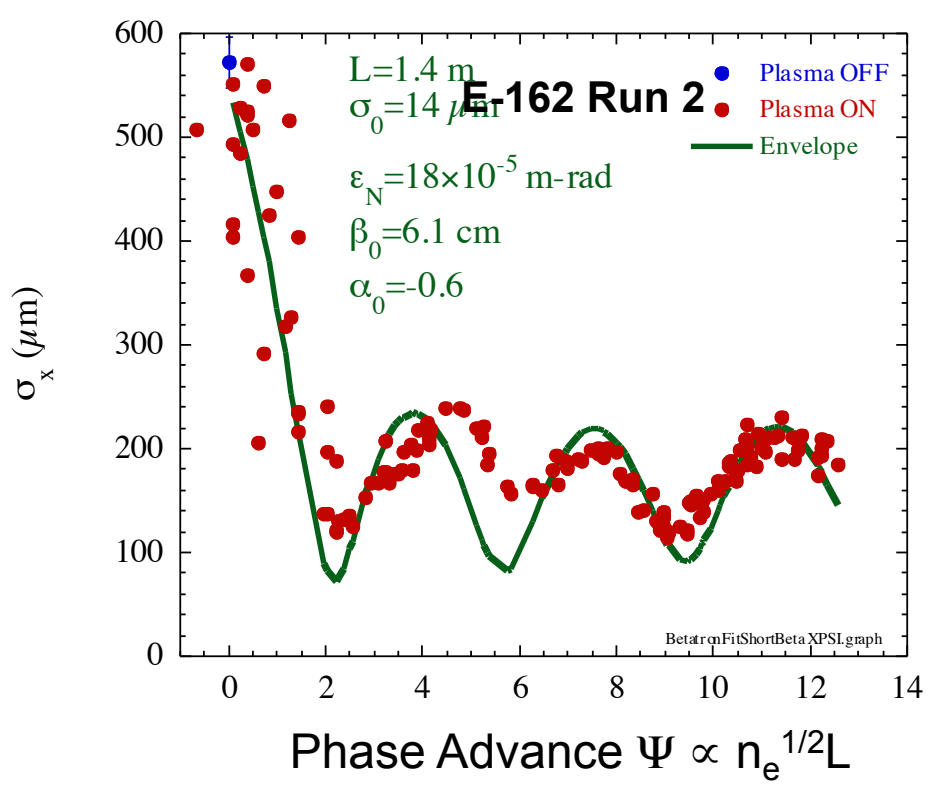
Beam Propagation Through A Long Plasma



- Smaller “matched” beam size at the plasma entrance reduces amplitude of the betatron oscillations measured at the OTR downstream of the plasma
- Allows stable propagation through long plasmas (> 1 meter)



C. E. Clayton et al., PRL 1/2002

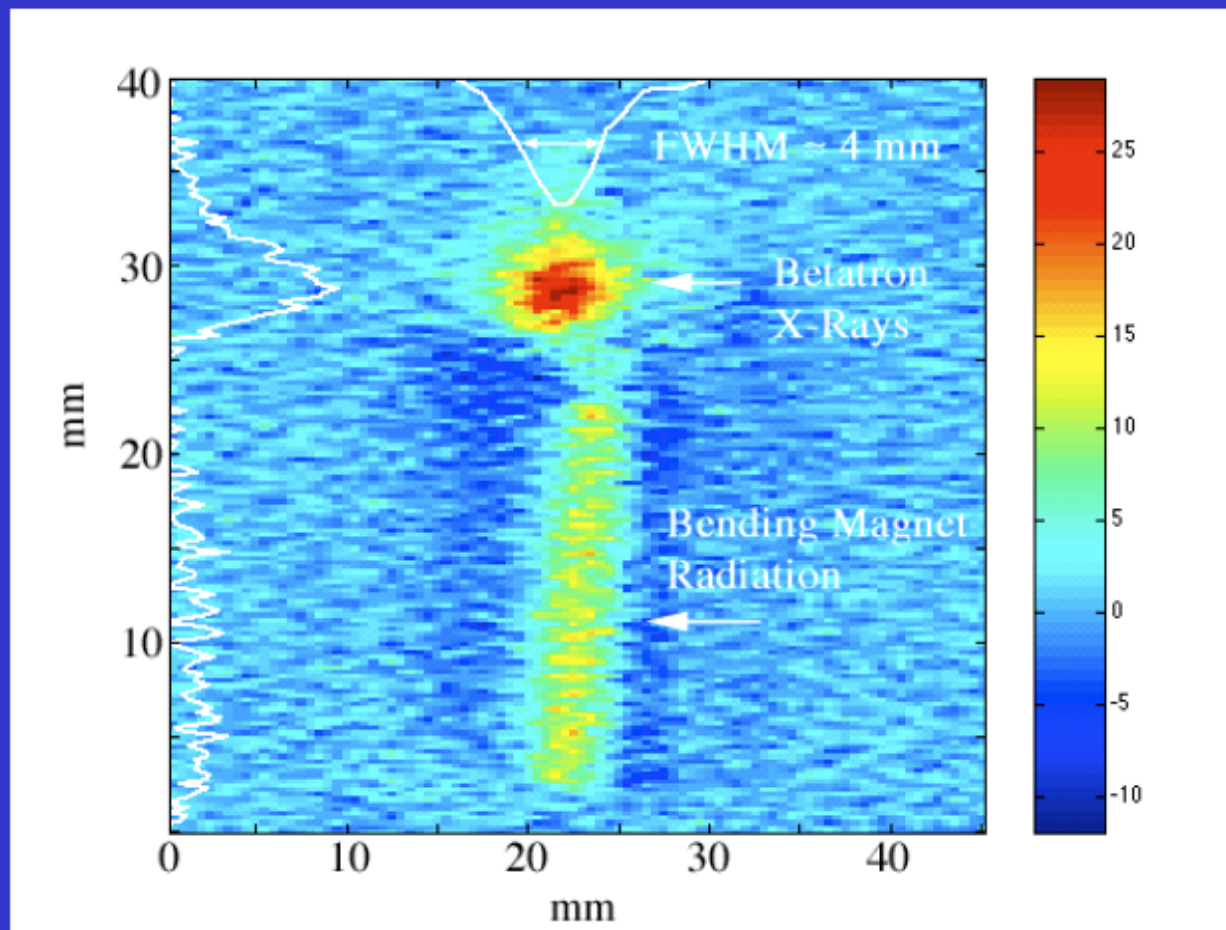


E-157/E-162 collaboration

Betatron Radiation of X-rays



Plasma focusing strength of 6000T/m acts as a strong undulator



Peak brightness $\sim 10^{19}$ photons/sec-mm²-mrad²-.1%bw!

Makes Things Difficult...

> Conventional acceleration structures:

- Optimized to provide longitudinal acceleration and no transverse forces on the beam.
- Due to imperfections, transverse forces can be induced. These “wakefields” caused major trouble to the first and only linear collider at SLAC.

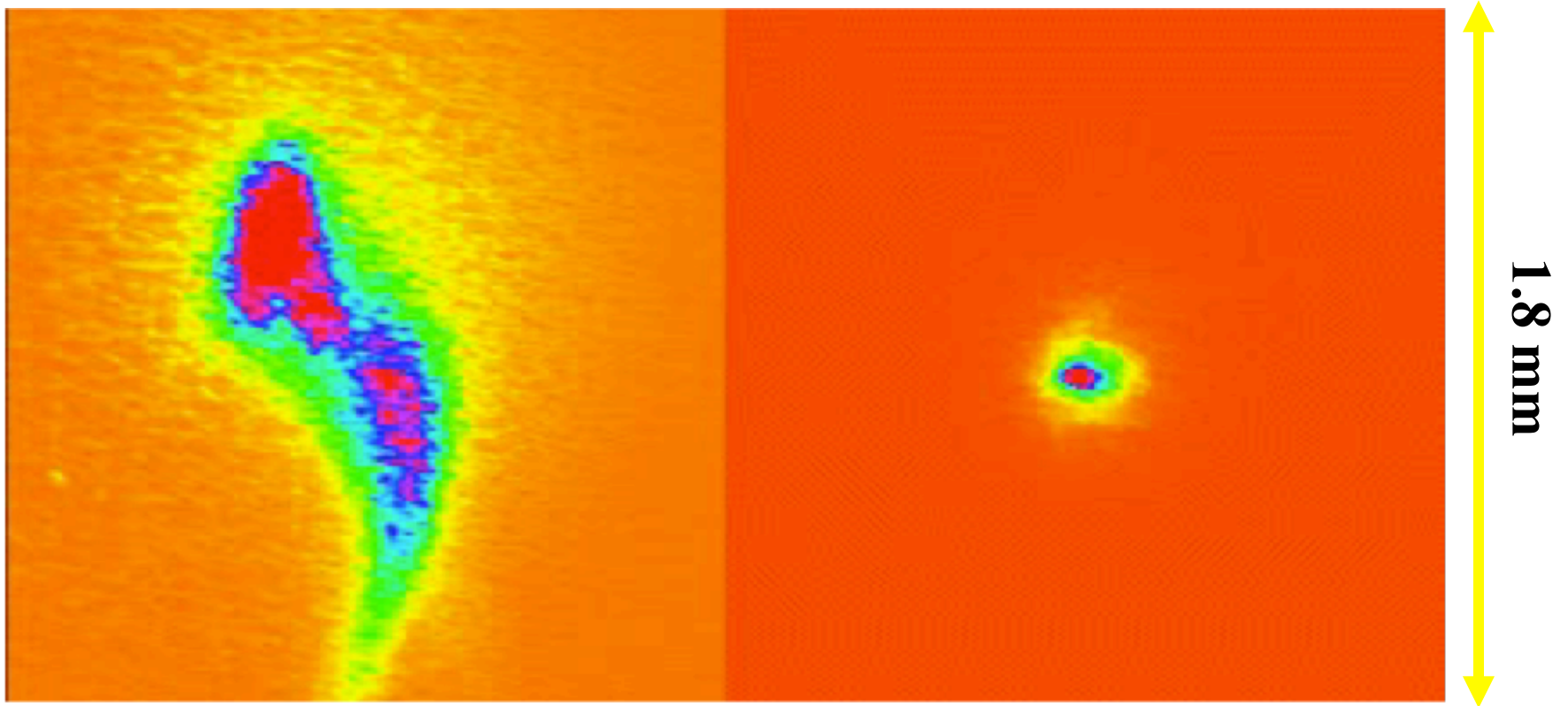
> Plasma acceleration:

- Ultra-strong longitudinal fields → high accelerating gradient.
- Ultra-strong transverse fields → transverse forces cannot be avoided and must be controlled.

> For fun: A look at the SLAC linac beam before entering the plasma!



Seeing Electron Beam...



The transverse and longitudinal fields of the accelerator are set up to achieved small transverse beam sizes (right).

~ 2×10^{10} electrons, 30 GeV

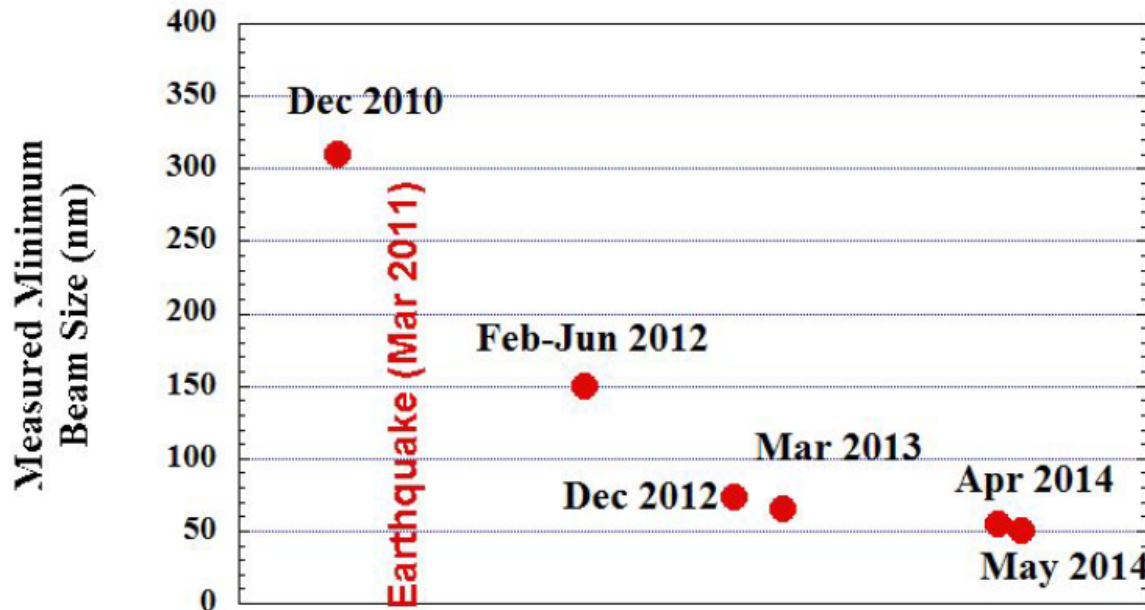
Accelerator Builder's Challenge *(simplified to typical values)*

- > Match into/out of plasma with **beam size $\approx 1 \mu\text{m}$** (about 1 mm beta function). Adiabatic matching (Whittum, 1989).
- > Control **offsets** between the wakefield driver (laser or beam) and the accelerated electron bunch at **$1 \mu\text{m}$ level**.
- > Use **short bunches (few fs)** to minimize energy spread.
- > Achieve **synchronization stability of few fs** from injected electron bunch to wakefield (energy stability and spread).
- > Control the **charge and beam loading** to compensate energy spread (idea Simon van der Meer).
- > Develop and demonstrate **user readiness of a 5 GeV plasma accelerated beam**.



Accelerator Builder's Challenge – Feasible?

- Difficult but we believe solutions can be found. Will not come for free...

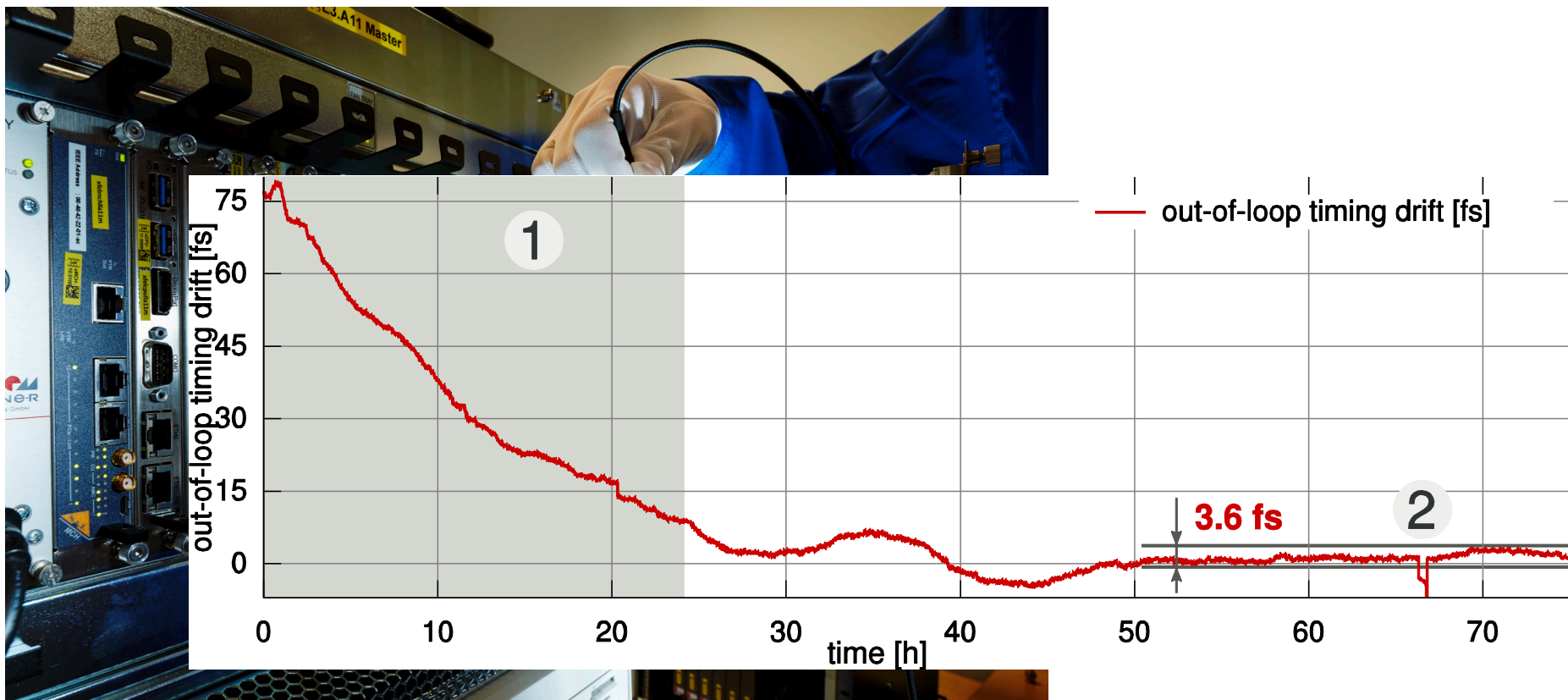


50 nm with a
1.3 GeV
electron beam
(from K. Kubo et al.
Proc. IPAC 2014)



Accelerator Builder's Challenge – Feasible?

DESY Ultra-Fast Electronics and Synchronization



Femtosecond Precision in Laser-to-RF Phase Detection

(from H. Schlarb, T. Lamb, E. Janas et al. Report on DESY Highlights 2013).

Relax conditions...

- > As as low as possible plasma densities to start in most simple conditions. Larger matched beam size, relaxed tolerances, ...
- > The success will be all in accuracy, tolerances, precision! We mastered this in conventional accelerators.
- > Do the same for plasma accelerators!



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Intensive work in Europe...



- 258 registered participants + about 50 accompanying persons.
- 45 sponsored students.
- Participants from 23 countries in 4 continents (11 EU member states).
- 16 % female participation.



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LC Lund Laser Centre

STFC
ASTeC

LAOLA

Laboratory for Laser- and beam-driven plasma Acceleration

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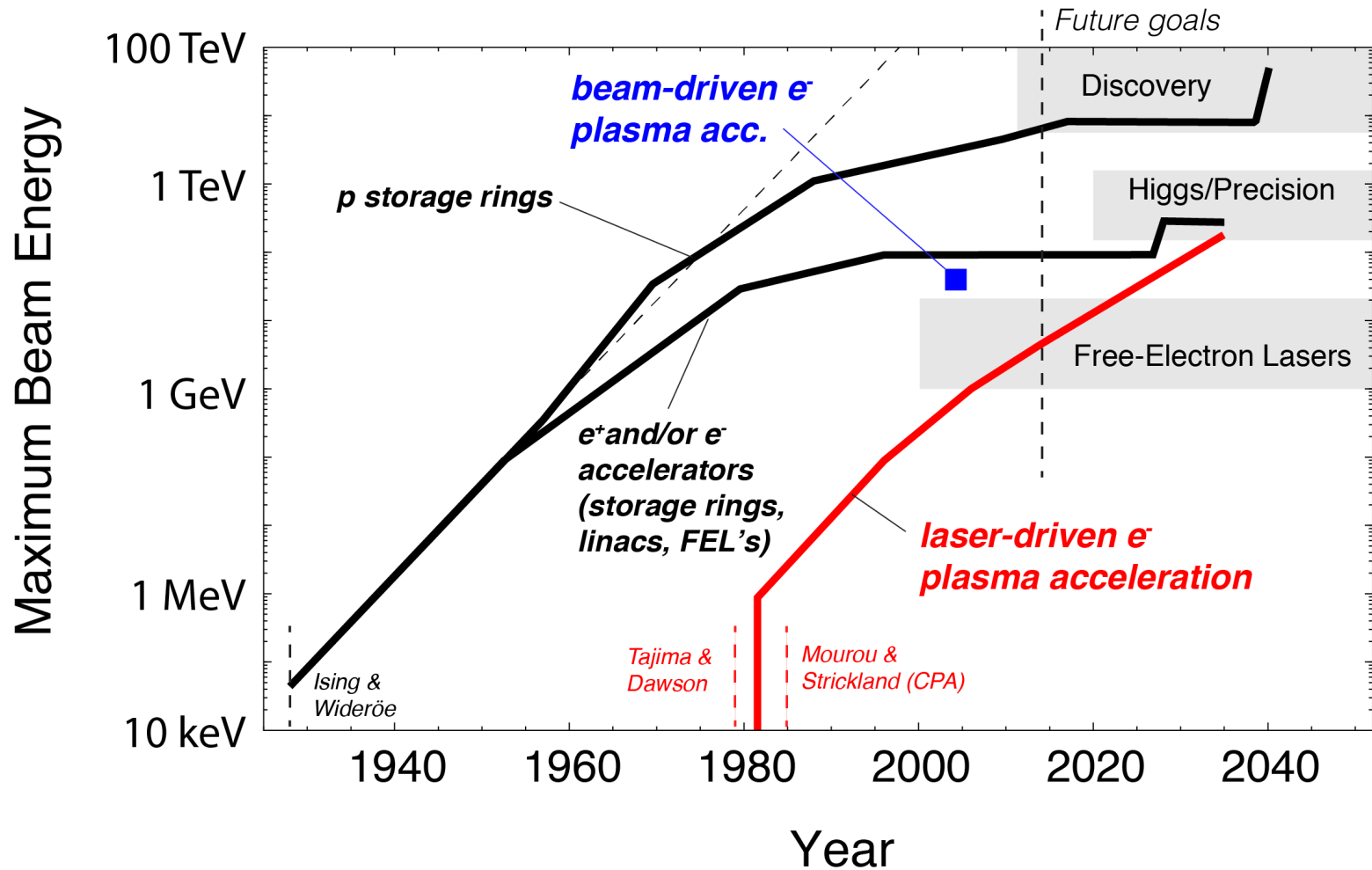
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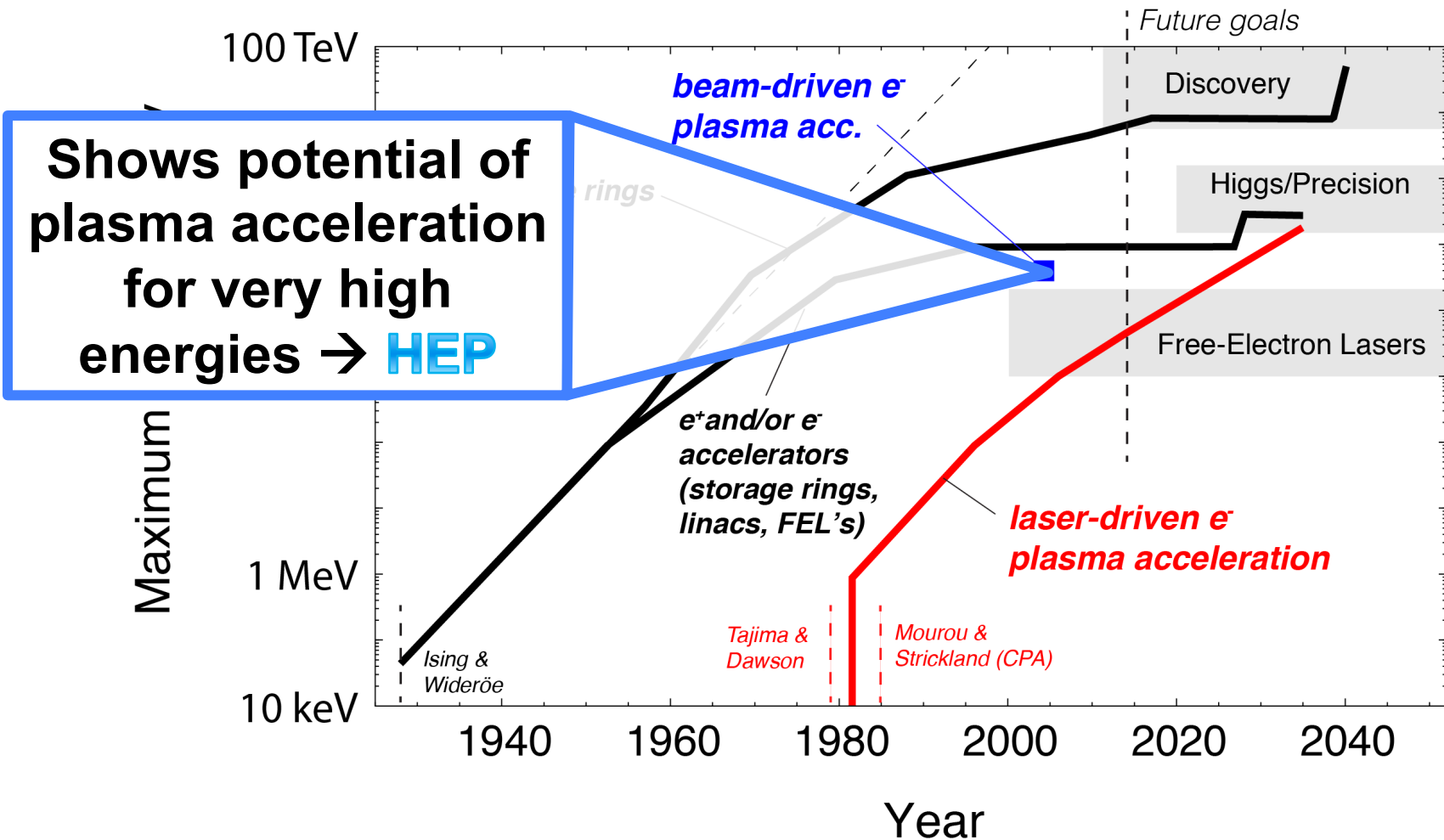
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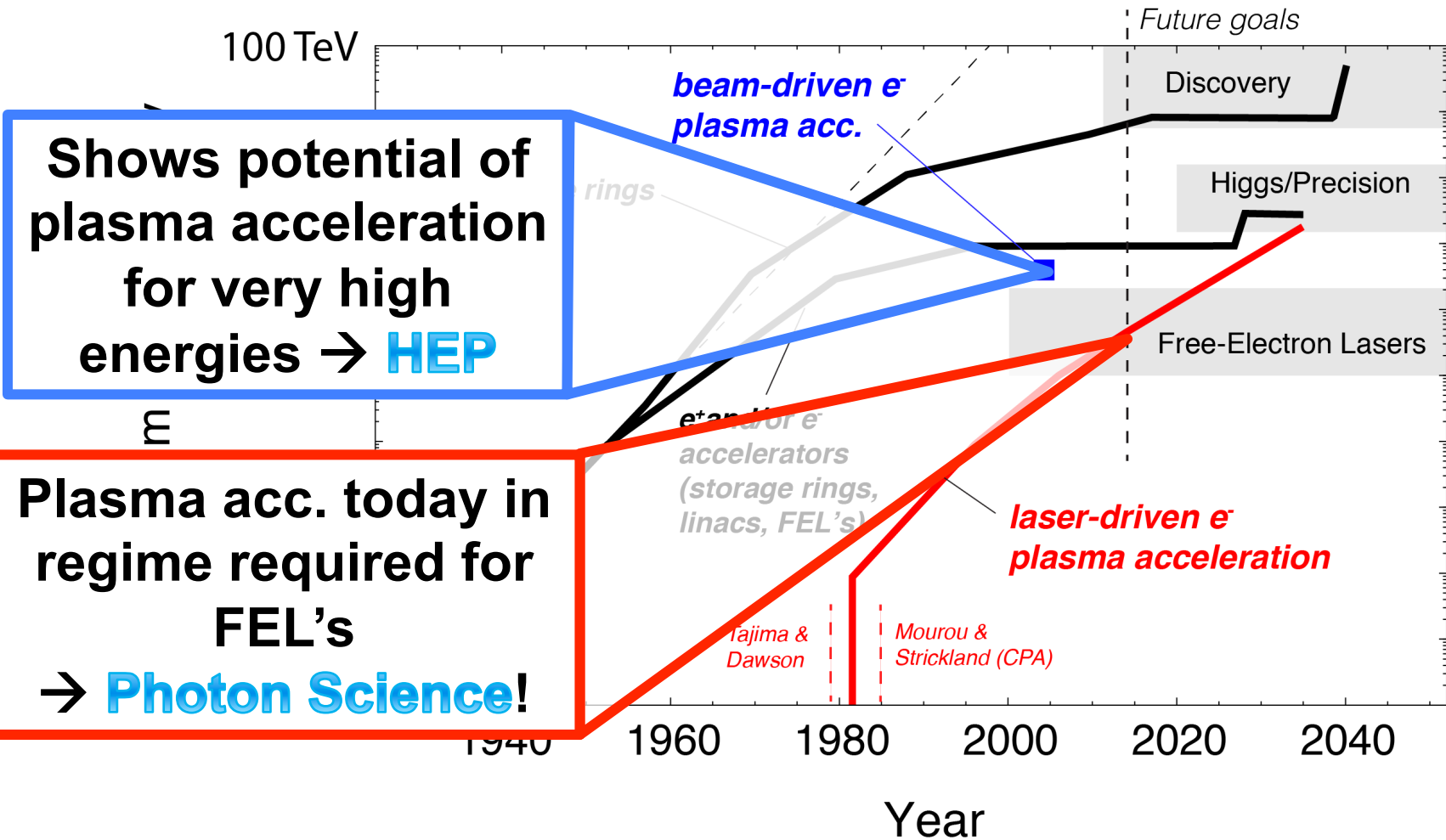
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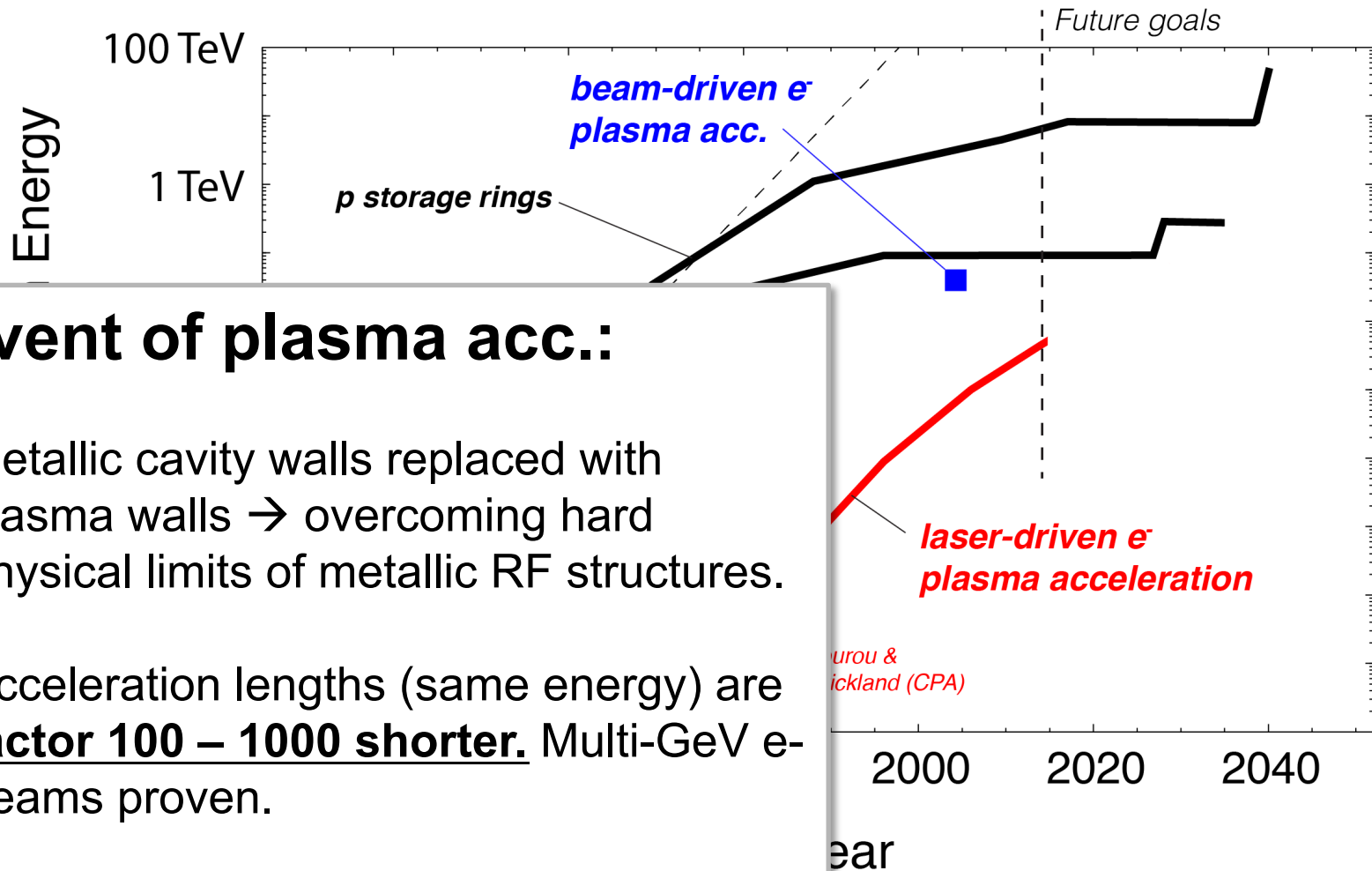
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Advent of plasma acc.:

1. Metallic cavity walls replaced with plasma walls → overcoming hard physical limits of metallic RF structures.
2. Acceleration lengths (same energy) are **factor 100 – 1000 shorter**. Multi-GeV e-beams proven.
3. Still short-comings but **no fundamental limit**.





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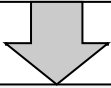
COMPACT EUROPEAN PLASMA ACCELERATOR WITH SUPERIOR BEAM QUALITY

Design report for a 5 GeV facility by end of 2019, including science case for pilot users, cost and site study. Second design study (“plan B”) after FCC/EuroCirCol.

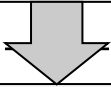
Kick-off meeting at DESY on Nov 26th – 27th



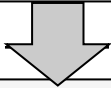
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Engineering (D): Improve and optimize acceleration devices, industrialize

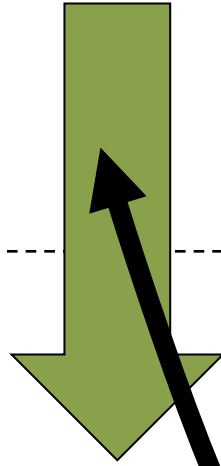


Prototyping: Build a prototype accelerator unit to demonstrate performance

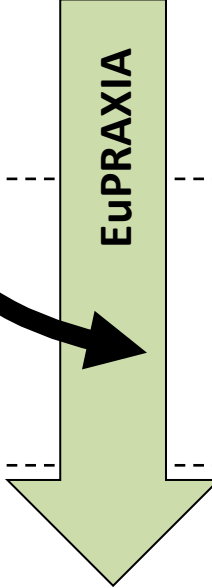


User operation: Build user facilities delivering beam for applications

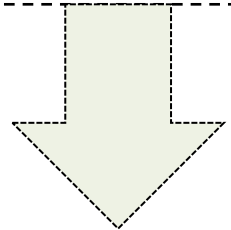
*Many sites.
Typically 30 M€ investment per site.
Tremendous progress in 35 years.
Effort will continue the next decades.
Focus on research: users outside scope.*



*One or few sites.
Larger investment:
 $30\text{ M€} < X \ll 1\text{ B€}$
ESFRI roadmap in 2018 or 2020
CDR for 2020
Operation 2025 to 2035*

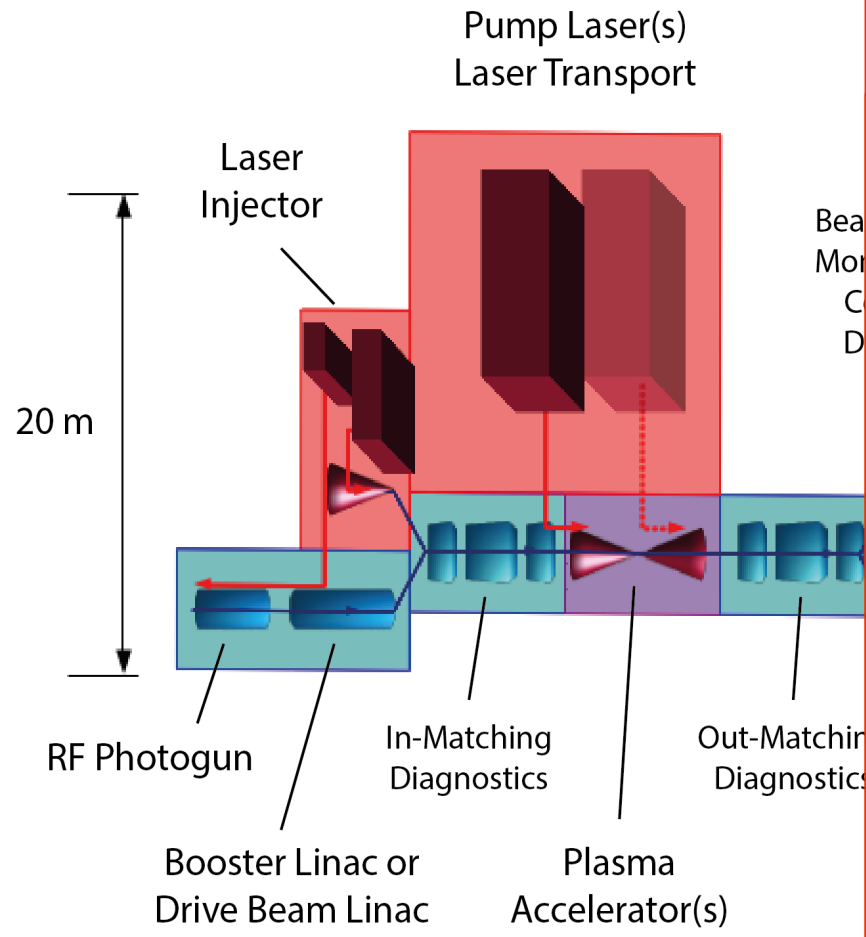


one needs the other



- In a circular accelerator facility:
Accelerating systems < 10% of total investment
 - In a linear accelerator facility:
Accelerating systems < 30% of total investment
 - Highly developed (and expensive) systems for generation/
bending/focusing/diagnostics/correction/collimation/control of
particle beams:
 - Accelerator facilities would not provide interesting performance without these systems.
 - **For plasma accelerators not addressed yet, due to focus on acceleration highlights and lack of budget**
- **EuPRAXIA to address this: build an accelerator research infrastructure for pilot users**

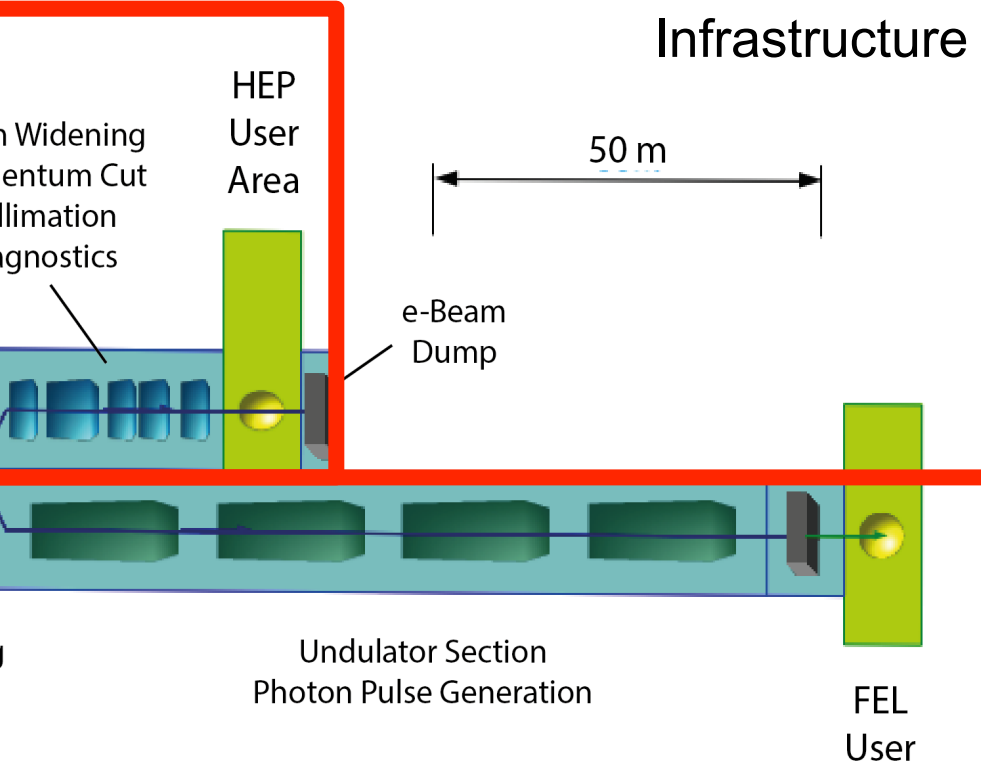
PLASMA ACCELERATOR



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5 GeV e⁻ Research Infrastructure



FEL / RADIATION SOURCE USER AREA



Small is Beautiful!?! Is it?



PLC - Plasma Linear Collider

(e+e- up to 3 TeV c.m.)

5 km

R&D on feasibility ongoing

ILC - International Linear Collider

(phase 1 to full, e+e- up to 1 TeV c.m.)

CLIC (similar footprint for up to 3 TeV c.m.)

Technical Design Report prepared

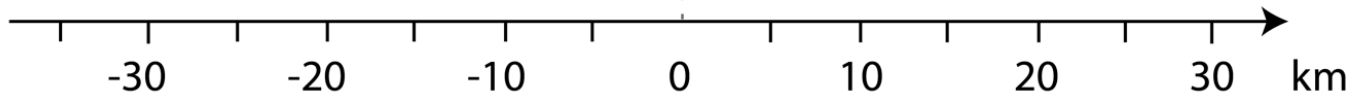
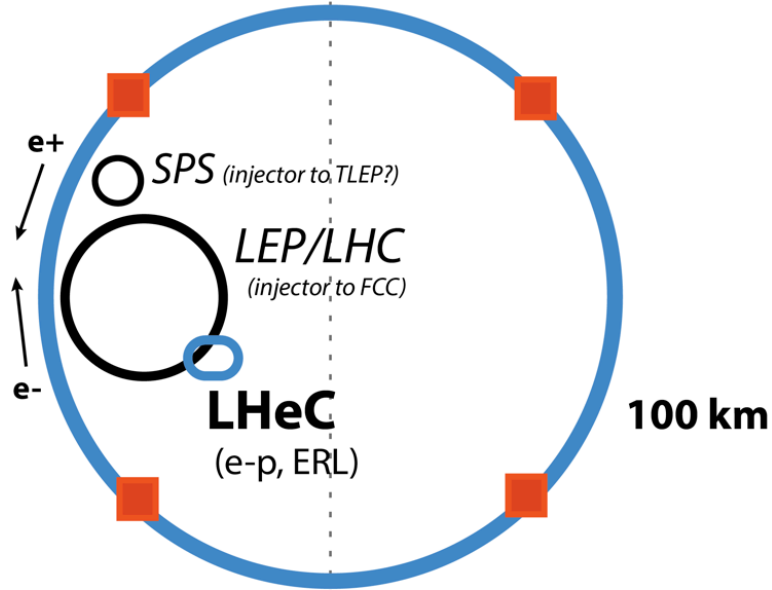


FCC - Future Circular Collider

Collider

(e+e- up to 0.35 TeV c.m., 100 km version)

R&D on feasibility ongoing



Wideröe 1992 at age 90



After all, **plans can only be made for those accelerators which can realistically be built with the means available, and obviously, these means are limited.**

Ideas are not subject to any such considerations. The **limitations are set only by the intellect of human beings themselves.**

The **theoretical possibilities** with regard to accelerating particles by electromagnetic means (i.e. within the scope of the Maxwell equations which have been known since the 19th century), **are nowhere near being exhausted**, and technology surprises us almost daily with innovations which in turn allow us to broach new trains of thought.

...there are yet **more fundamental breakthroughs** to be made. They could allow us to advance to **energies unimaginable today.**



Thank you for your attention...

