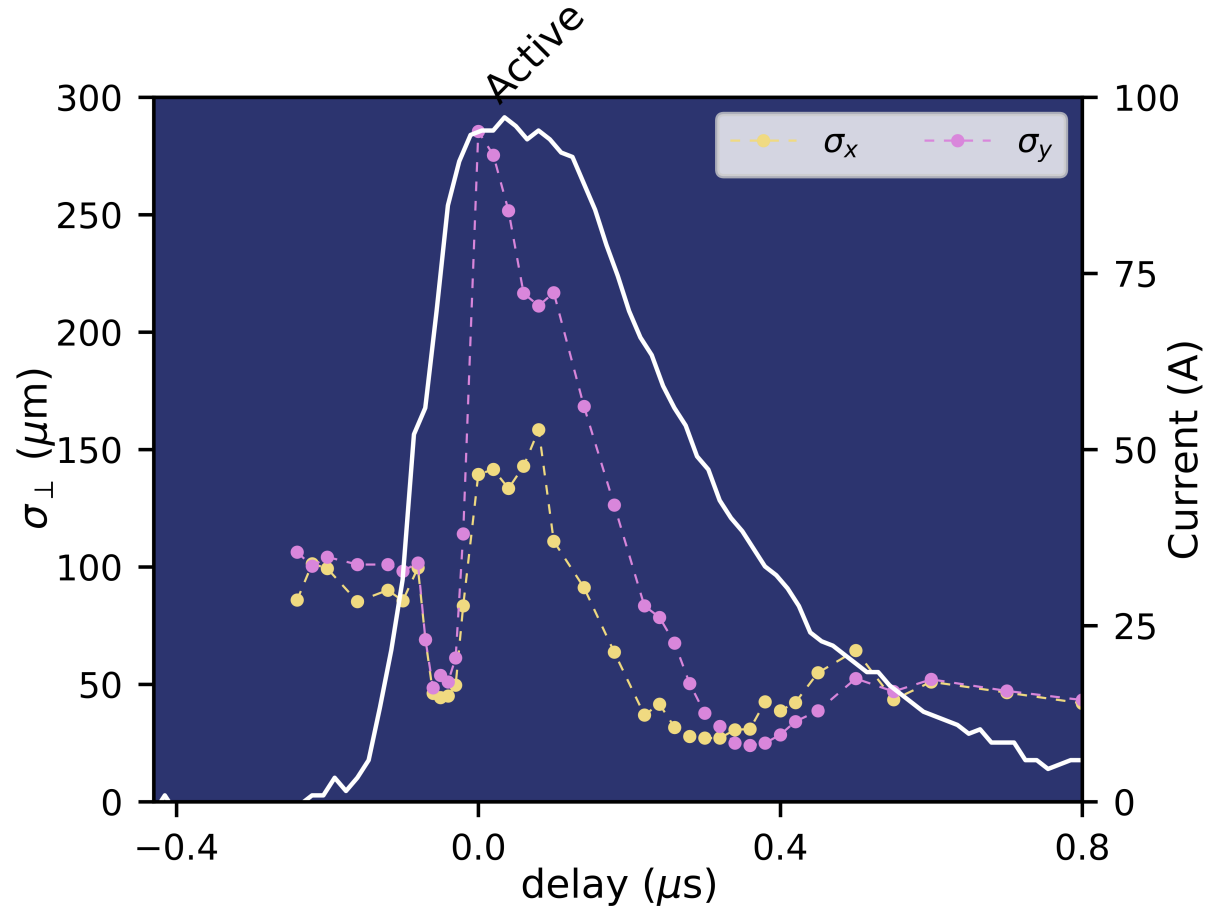


# Active Plasma Lens Focusing



# Results

R. Pompili, et al. "Applied Physics Letters, vol. 110, no. 10, p. 104101, Mar. 2017.

Sparc\_Lab Result

Characterisation of active plasma lens

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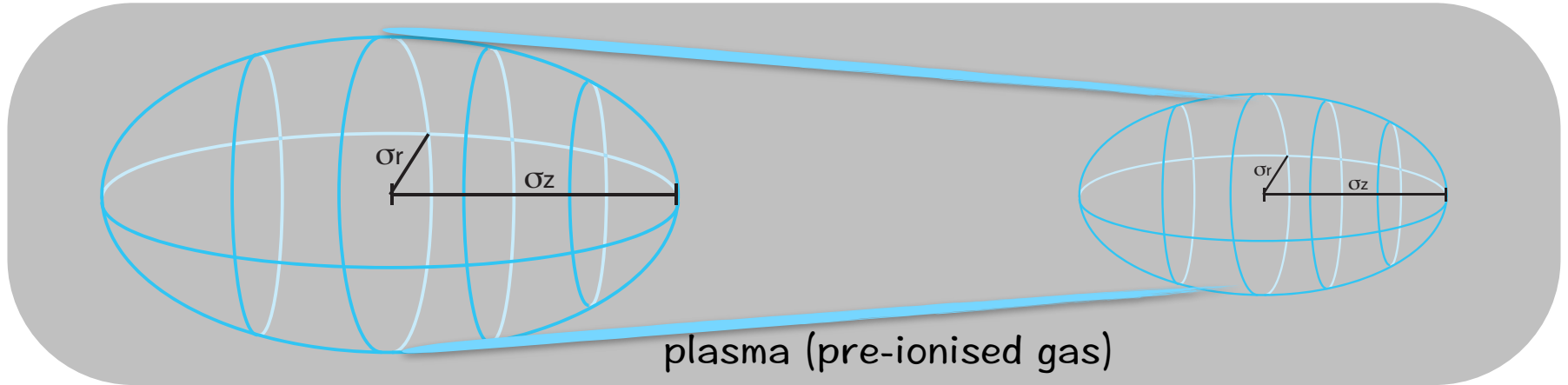


# Active Plasma lens at SPARC\_LAB

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bunch at some  $z$

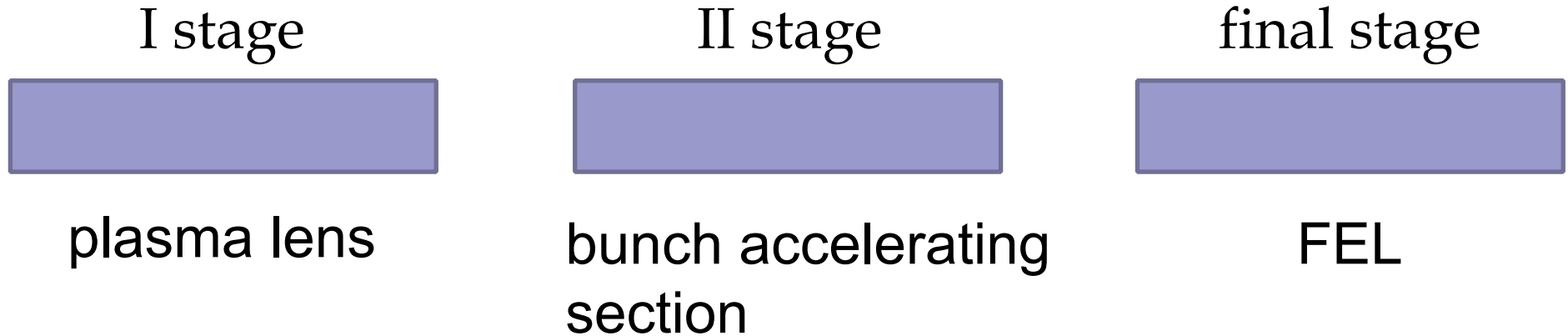
bunch at some  $z+\Delta z$

► Transversely Smaller

► Trying to preserve:

- emittance

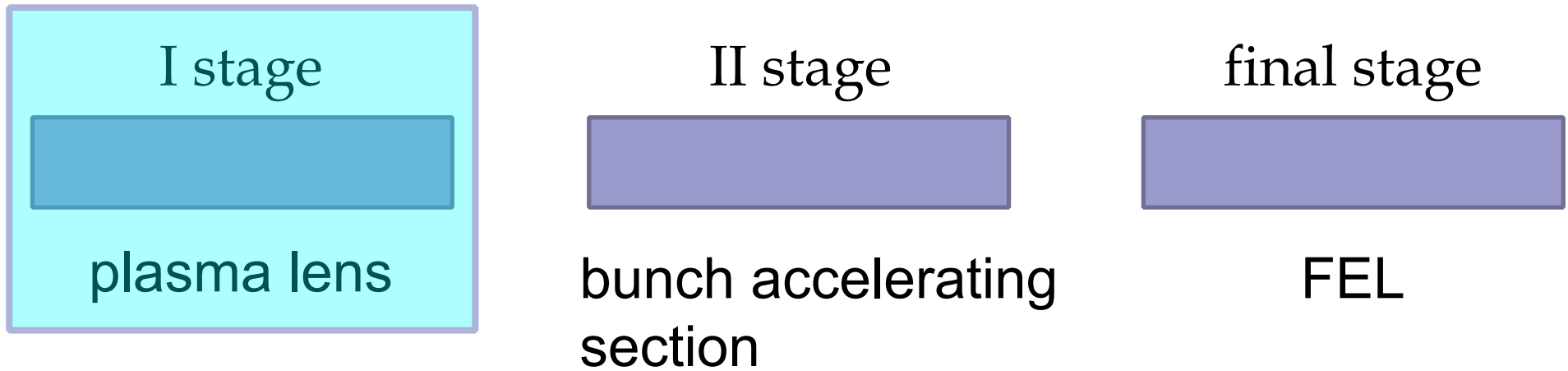
- energy spread



▶ Compress bunch

▶ accelerate bunch





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- ▶ focusing is due to:  
Electrostatic fields in a quasi neutral plasma
- ▶ Fields are created by an electron beam travelling through a neutral gas
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'plasma discharge' background electron motion
- ▶ for large aperture and large gradients
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Bennett, Katsouleas
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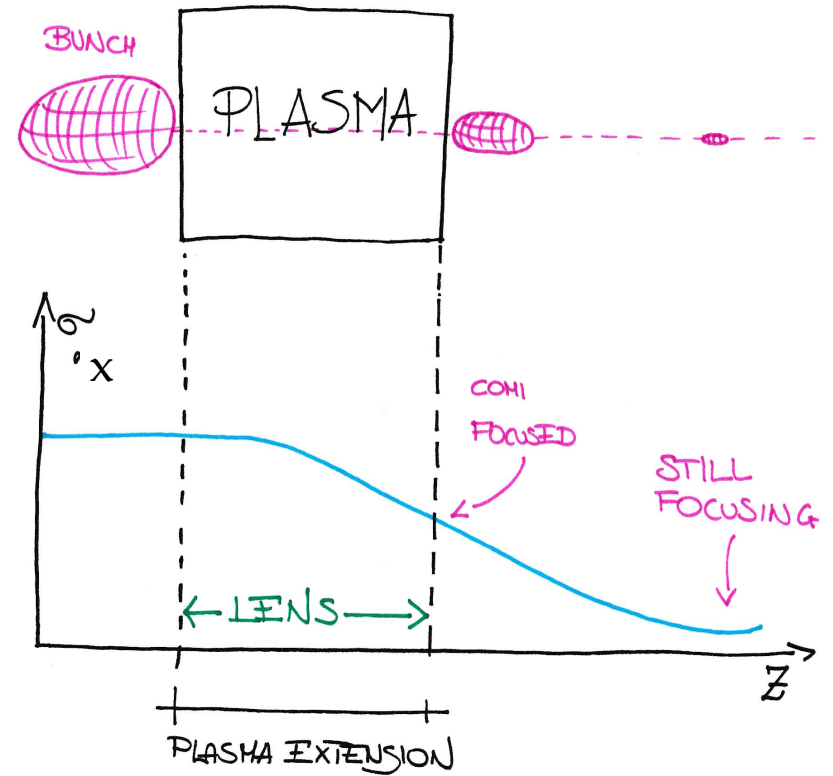
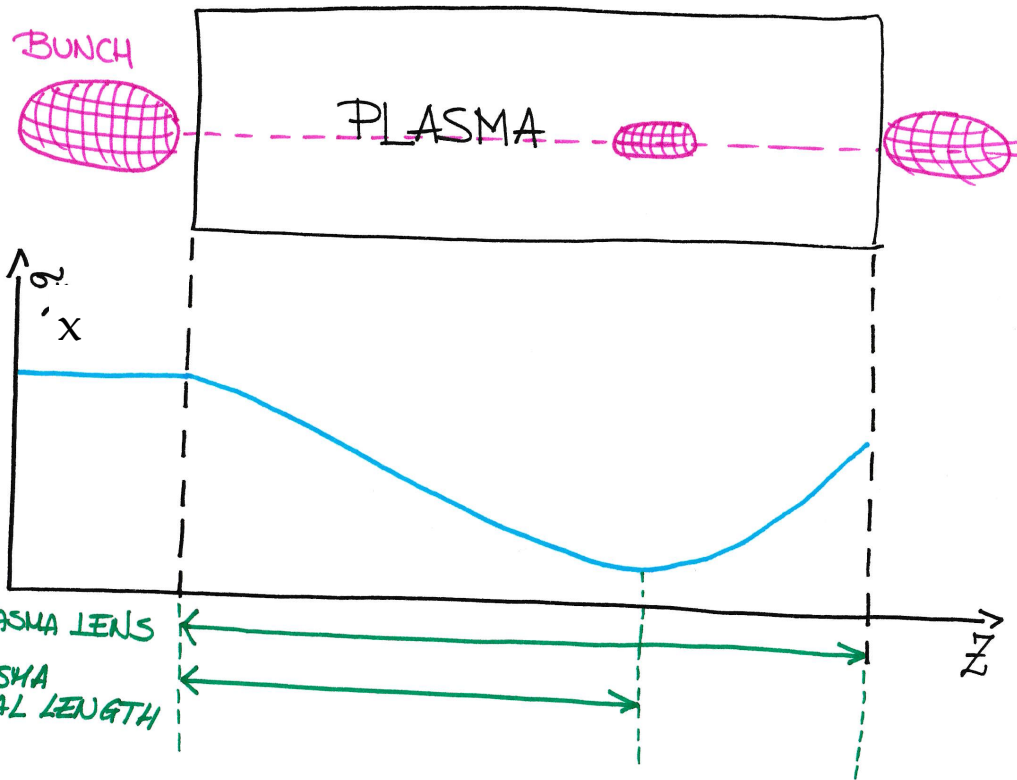
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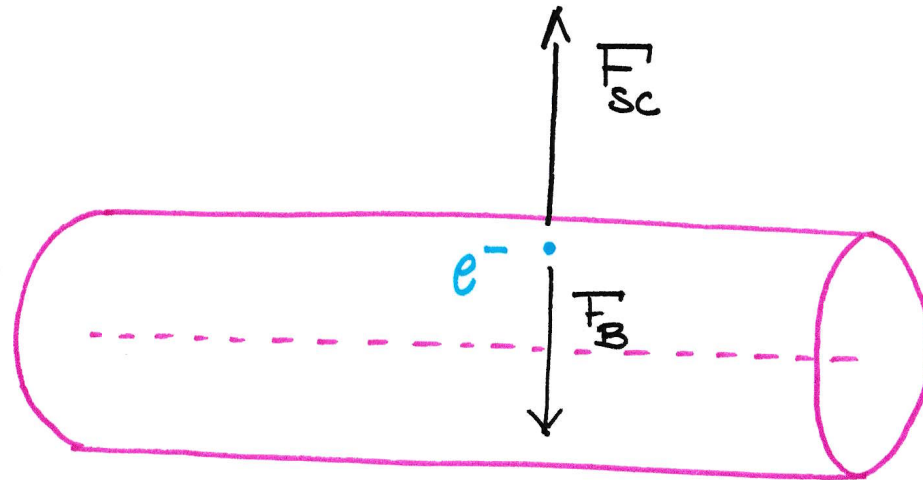
Thick

Thin



*Simplified-intuitive plasma lens treatment*

BUNCH

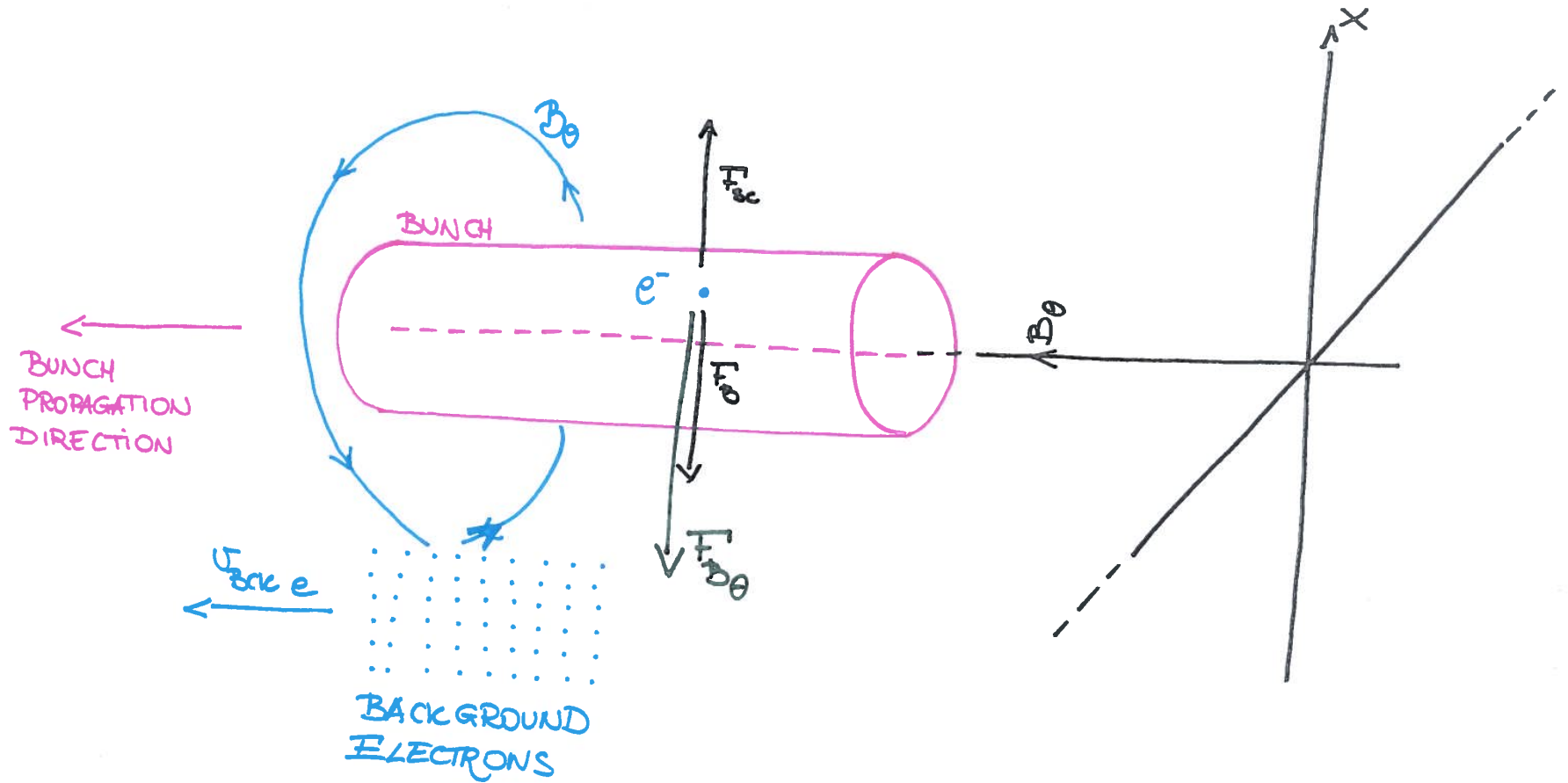


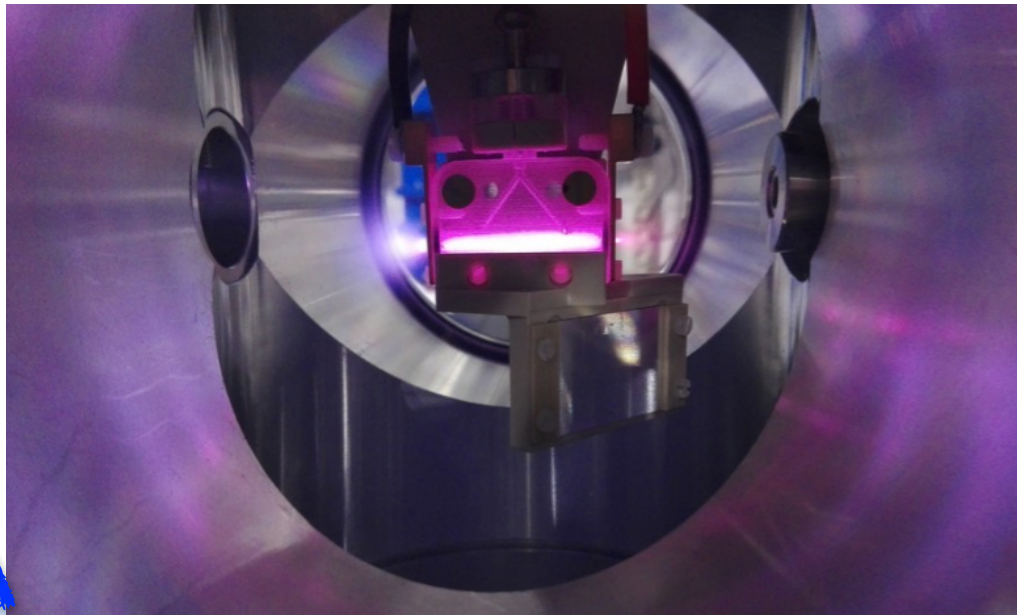
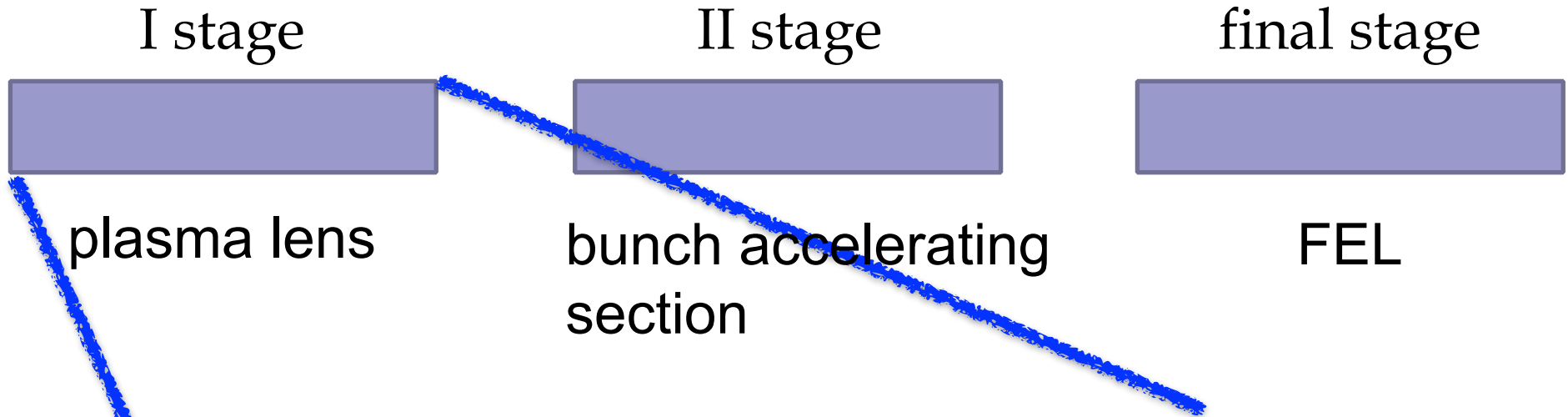
from GAUSS:

$$\underline{F}_{sc} = 2\pi n_b e^2 r \hat{u}_r$$

from Ampere:

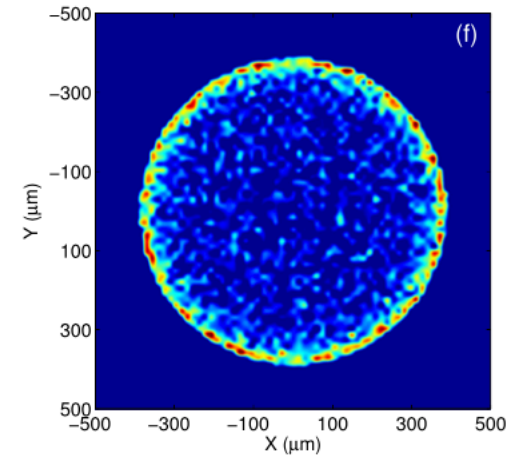
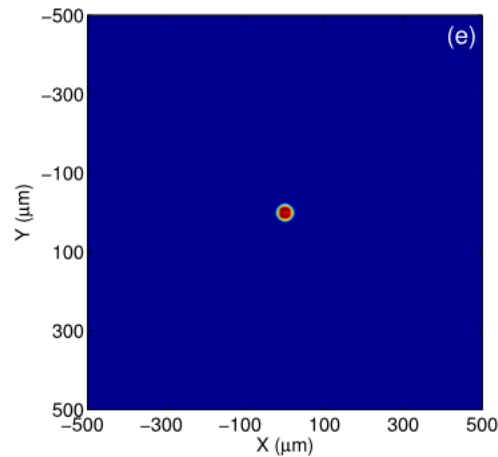
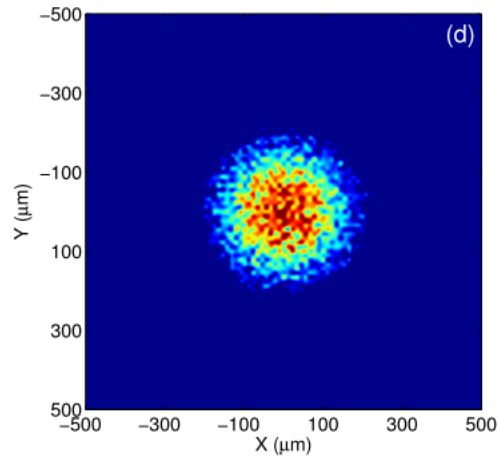
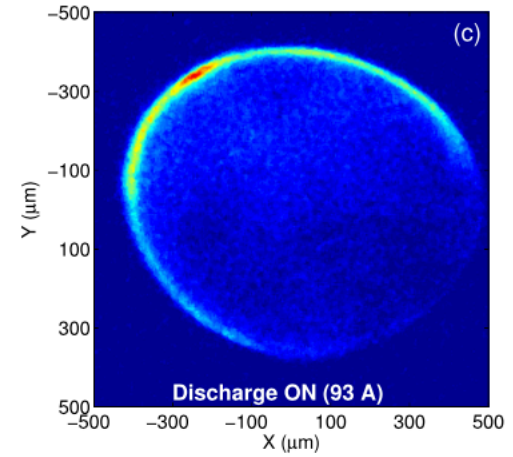
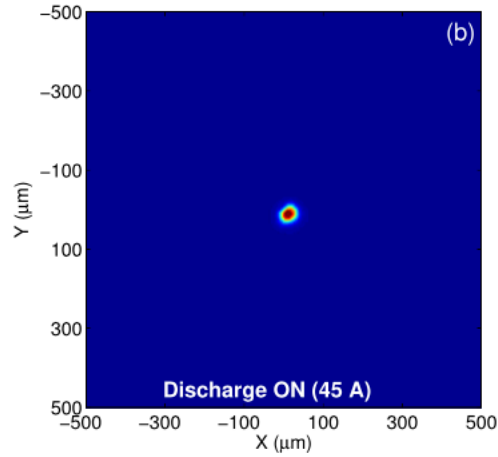
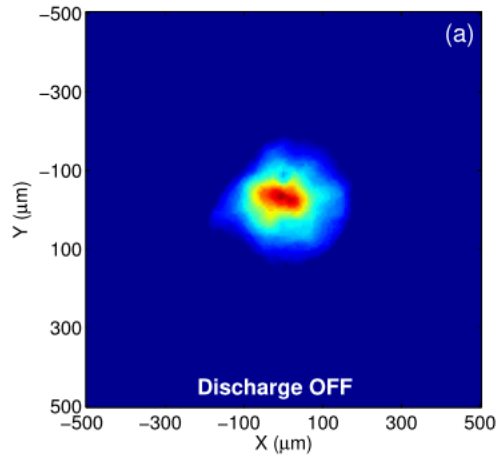
$$\underline{F}_B = -2\pi n_b e^2 \beta^2 r \hat{u}_r \quad \oplus \quad \underline{F}_{tot} = \frac{2\pi n_b e^2}{\gamma^2} r \hat{u}_r$$



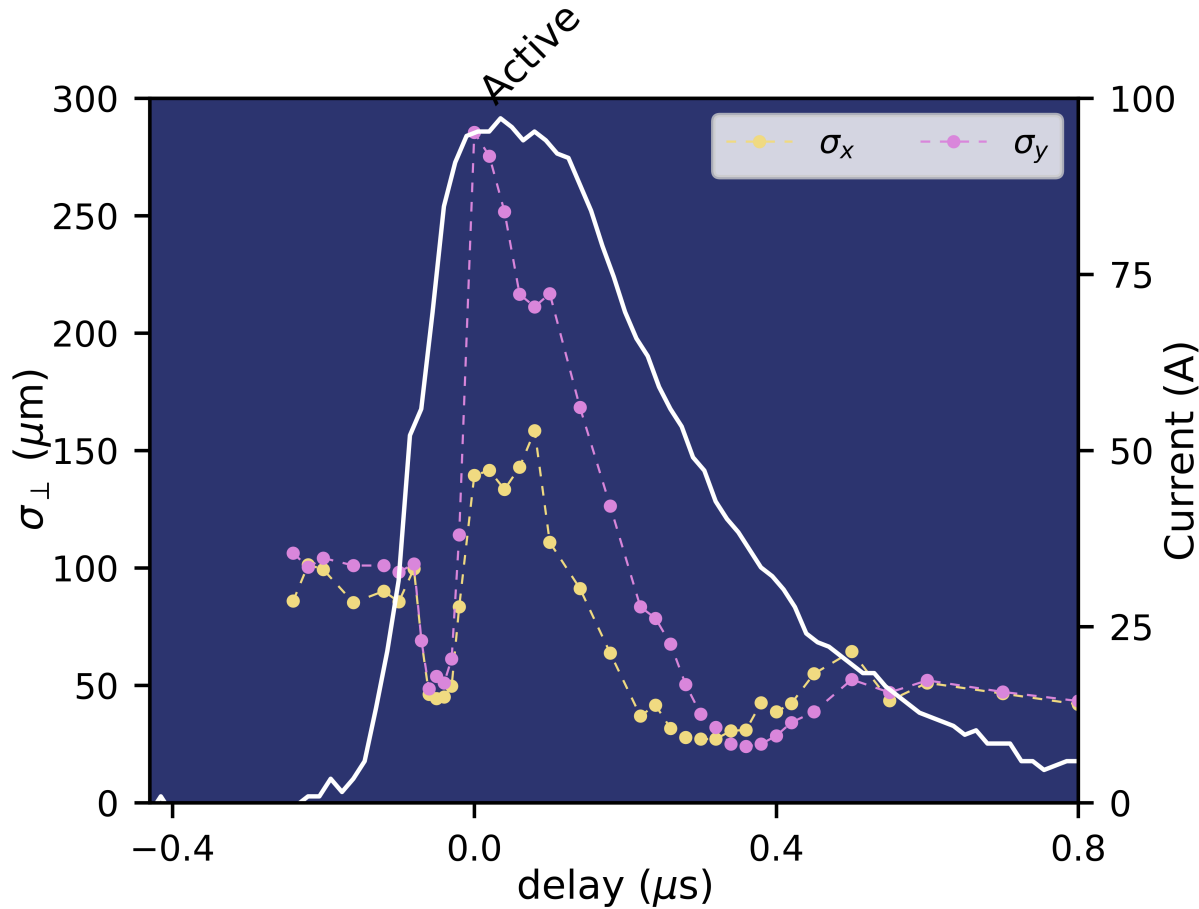


$n_p \sim 10^{16}, 10^{17}$

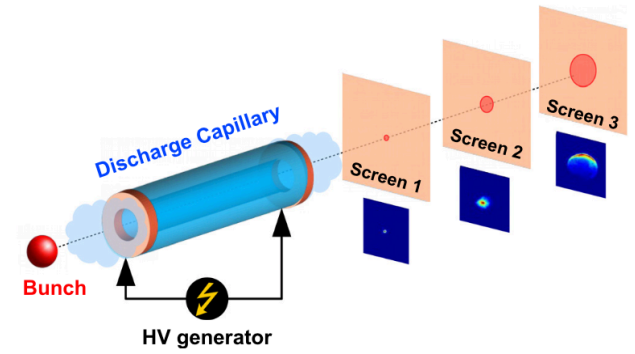
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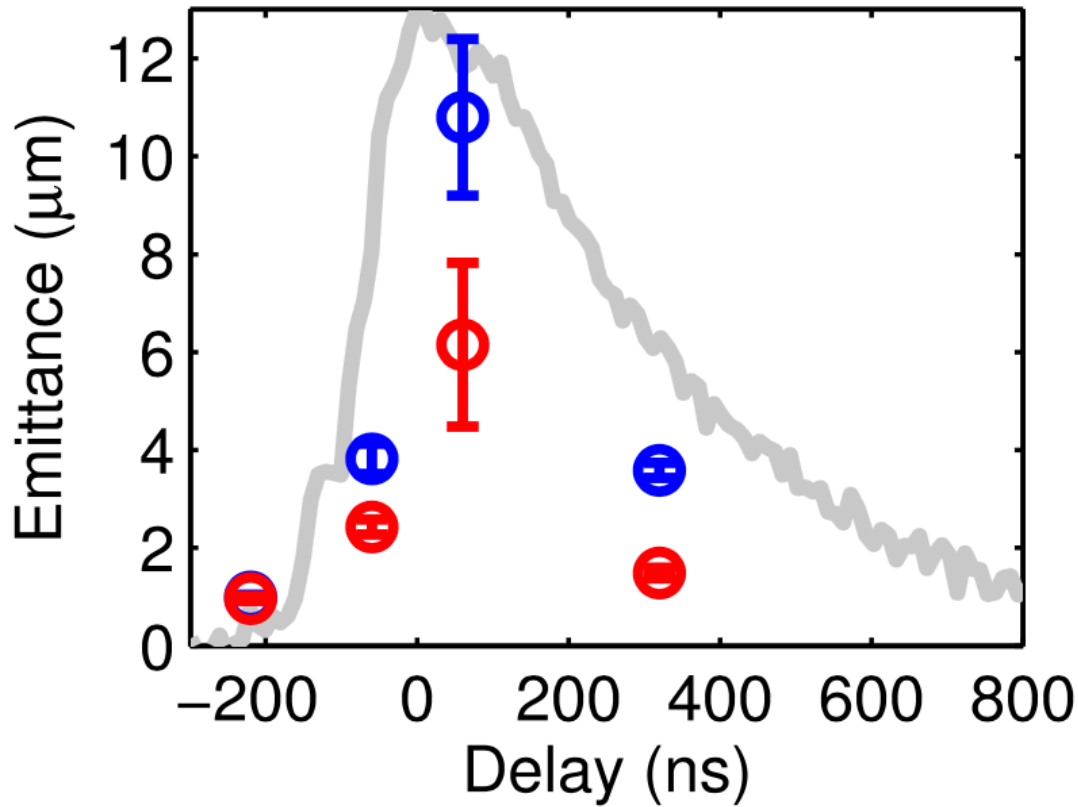
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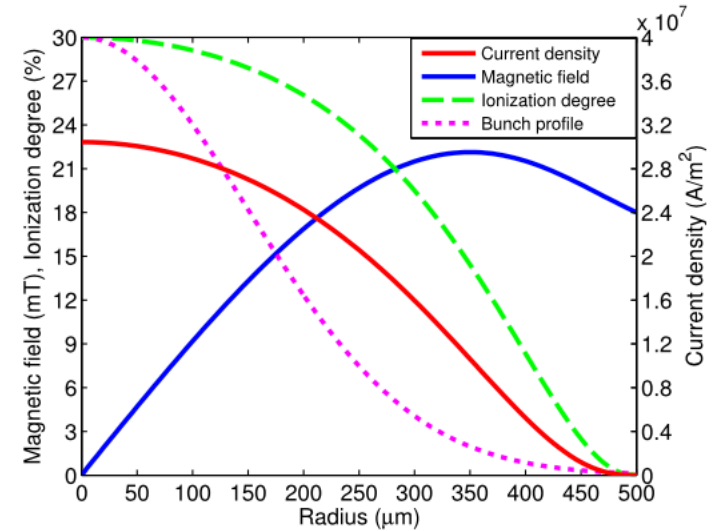
# measure

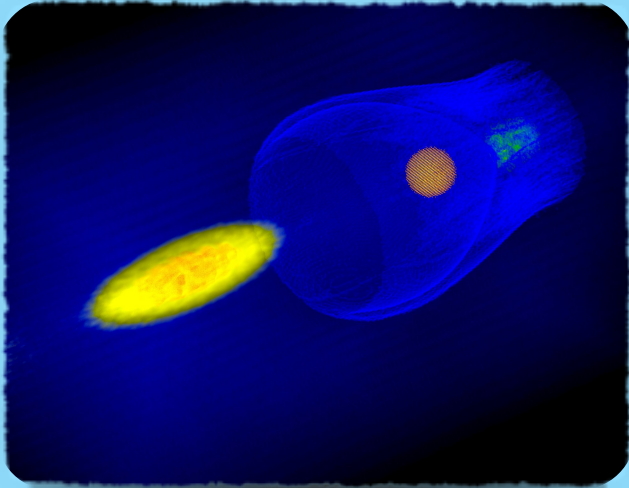


# Quality Deterioration



# Current Profile

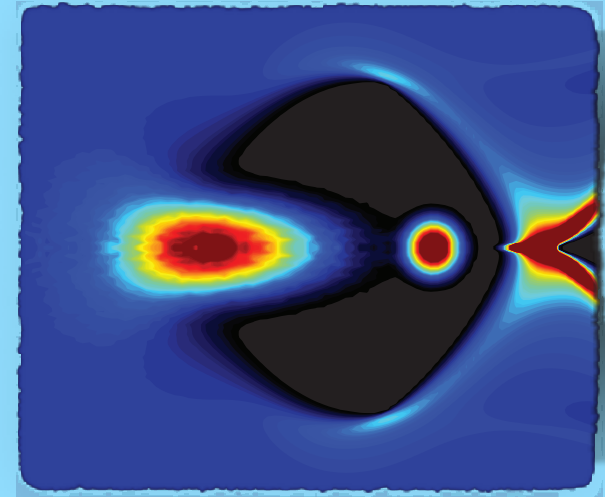




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full PIC code

bunch and background  
treated with macro-particles

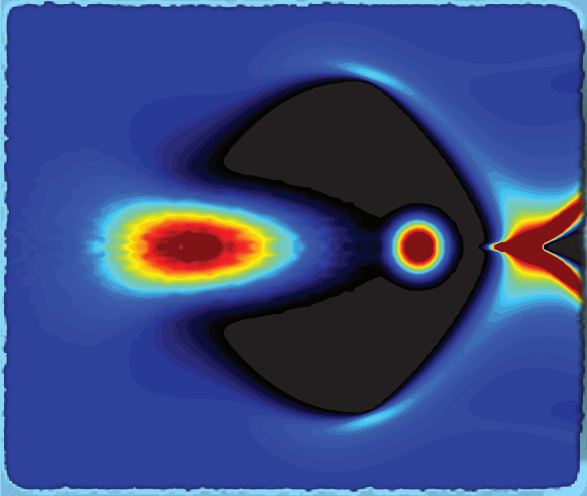


Architect

hybrid code

bunch treated as a PIC  
background as a fluid





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## Start-to-end

Start to end simulation for **Direct Comparison with the experiment**

Magnetic field **non-linear** Profile reconstruction

