

Laser particle acceleration

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abstract

Two new technologies (**coherent amplification network (CAN)**), **thin film compression (TFC)**)
and **4** new innovations / applications (**Laser**-driven collider, **γ - γ** collider, **SCLA** proton acceleration, X-ray **LWFA**)

1. wakefield, relativistic coherence, and Tsunami
2. **Laser**-driven collider: 100 GeV over 1m, unit cells, stackup toward TeV based on CAN **laser**
3. Toward high replate and high efficiency fiber **laser (CAN)**
4. **γ - γ** collider
5. Single-cycled **laser** and further coherency by **TFC**
6. Compact ion acceleration (short-lived isotope generation, ADS)
7. “TeV on a chip” (X-ray **LWFA**)

Laser Wakefield (LWFA):

Wake phase velocity \gg water movement speed
maintains **coherent** and **smooth** structure



VS

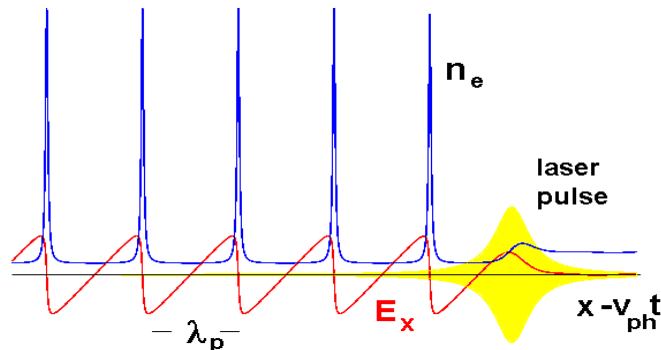
Tsunami phase velocity becomes ~ 0 ,
causes **wavebreak** and **turbulence**



Strong beam (of **laser** / particles) drives plasma waves to saturation amplitude: $E = m\omega v_{ph} / e$

No wave breaks and wake **peaks** at $v \approx c$

Wave **breaks** at $v < c$



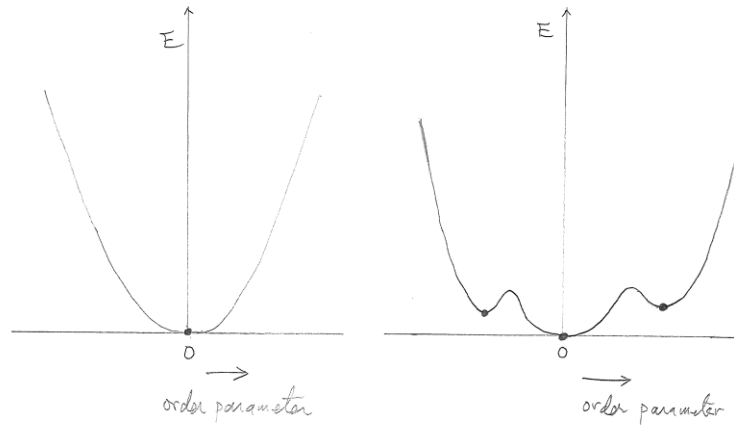
← relativity
regularizes
(*relativistic coherence*)



Relativistic coherence enhances beyond the Tajima-Dawson field $E = m\omega_p c / e$ (\sim GeV/cm)

Wakefields and Higgs

Landau-Ginzburg potential \rightarrow BCS \rightarrow Nambu \rightarrow Higgs vacuum



Landau damping: decay of excited waves to equilibrium (left picture)

Wakefield: no damping; distinct excited stable state \leftarrow no particles to resonate (@
c)

= plasma's elevated Higgs state

$|0\rangle$

vs.

$|H\rangle$

(cf.

$|H\rangle$

\rightarrow

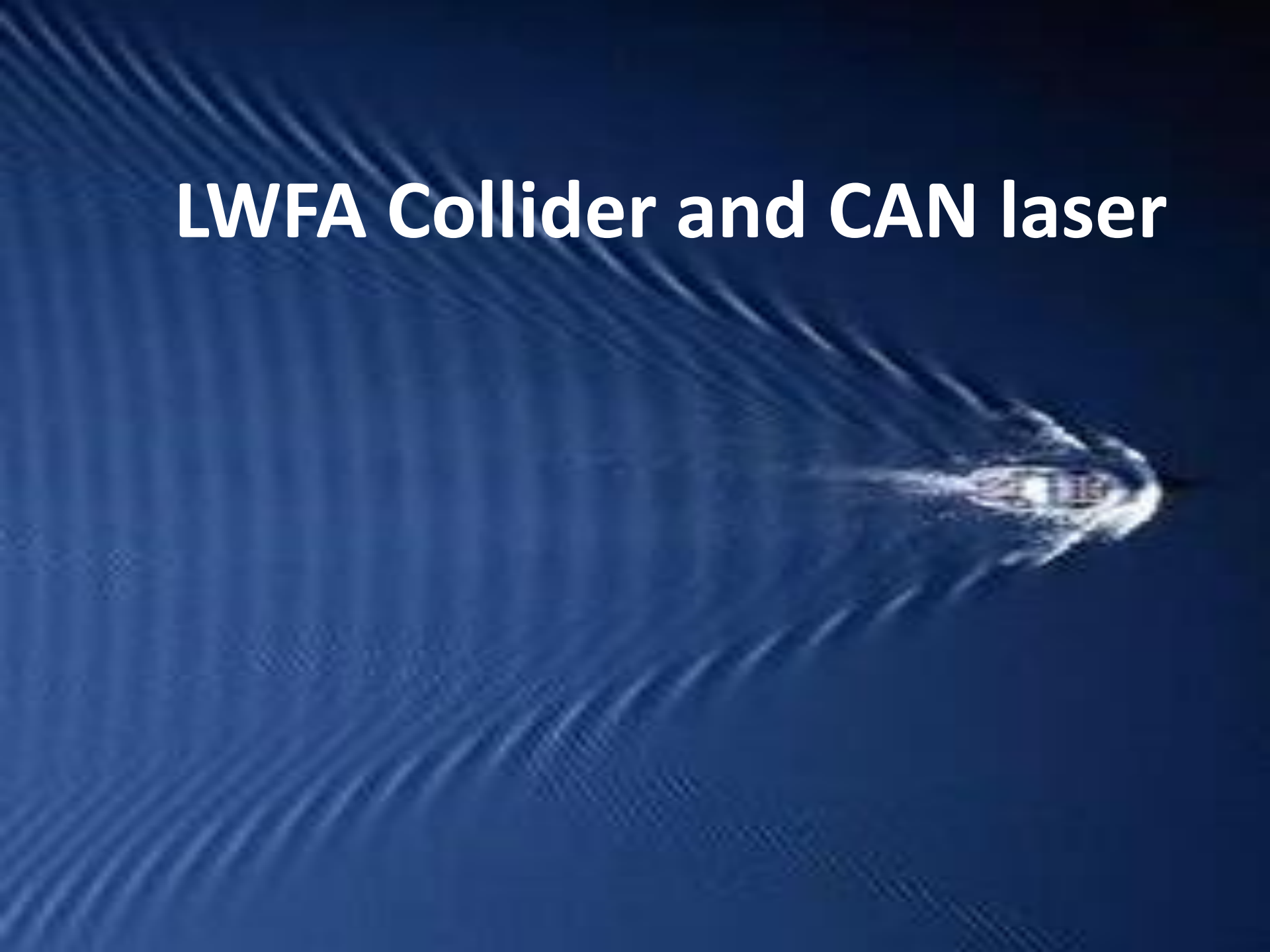
$|0\rangle$)

thermo-equilibrium

wakefield state

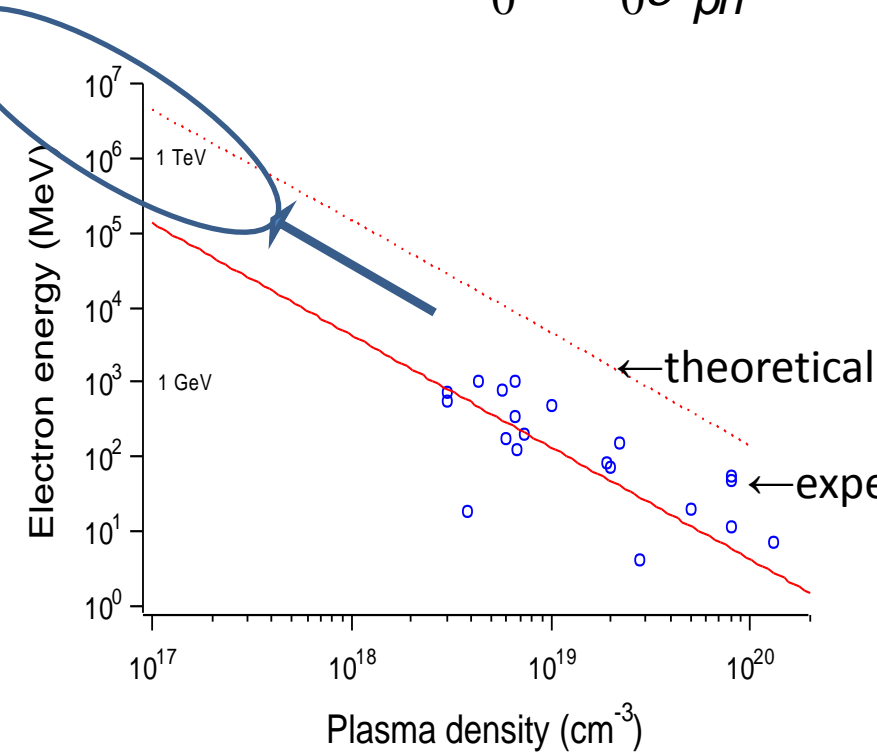
tsunami onshore

LWFA Collider and CAN laser



Theory of **wakefield** toward extreme energy

$$DE \approx 2m_0c^2 a_0^2 g_{ph}^2 = 2m_0c^2 a_0^2 \left(\frac{n_{cr}}{n_e} \right), \quad (\text{when 1D theory applies})$$



In order to avoid wavebreak,

$$a_0 < \gamma_{ph}^{1/2},$$

where

$$\gamma_{ph} = (n_{cr} / n_e)^{1/2}$$

$$n_{cr} = 10^{21}$$

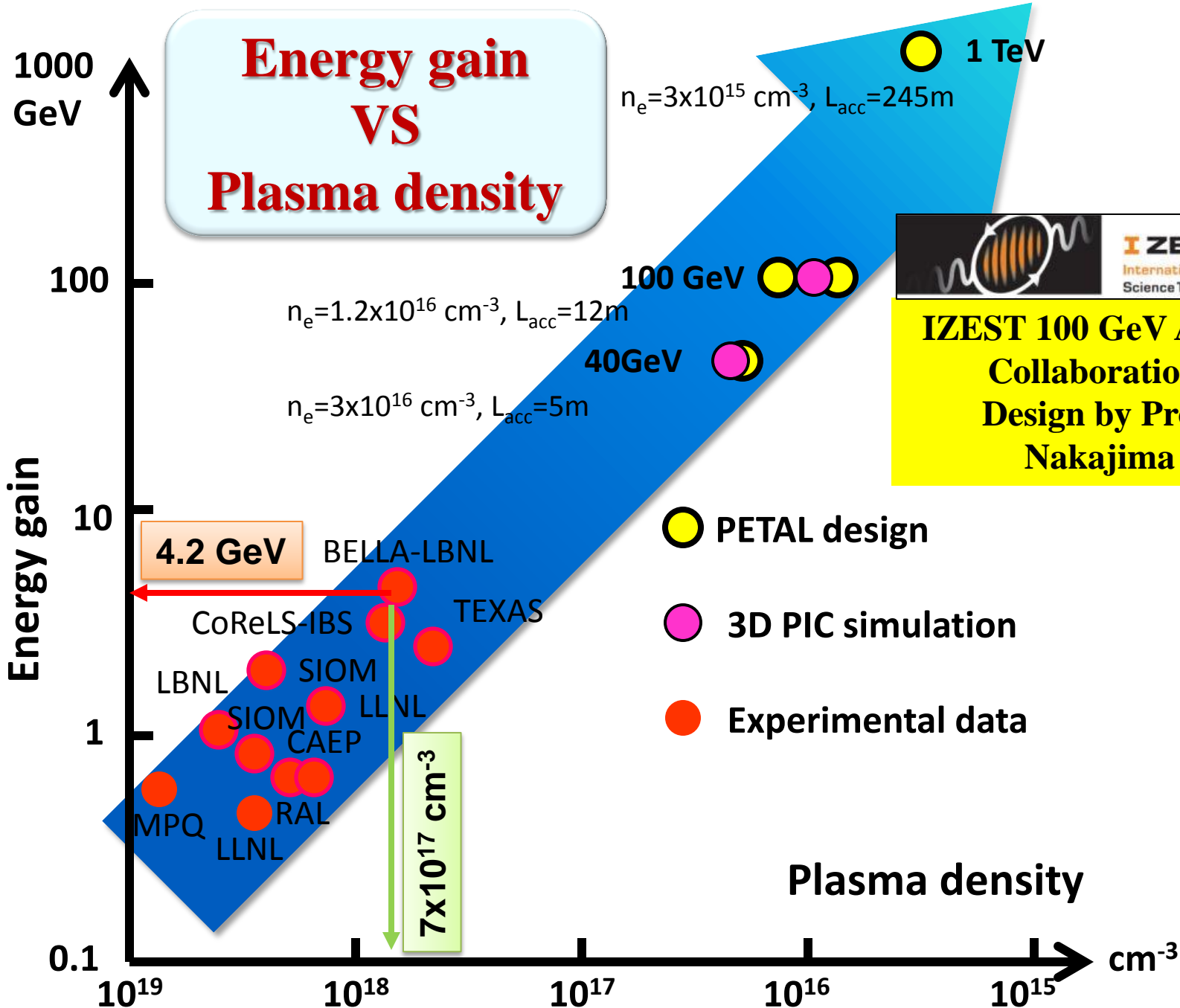
$$n_e = 10^{16}$$

$$L_d = \frac{2}{\pi} \lambda_p a_0^2 \left(\frac{n_{cr}}{n_e} \right), \quad L_p = \frac{1}{3\pi} \lambda_p a_0 \left(\frac{n_{cr}}{n_e} \right),$$

dephasing length

pump depletion length

Energy gain VS Plasma density



**IZEST 100 GeV Ascent
Collaboration:
Design by Prof.
Nakajima**

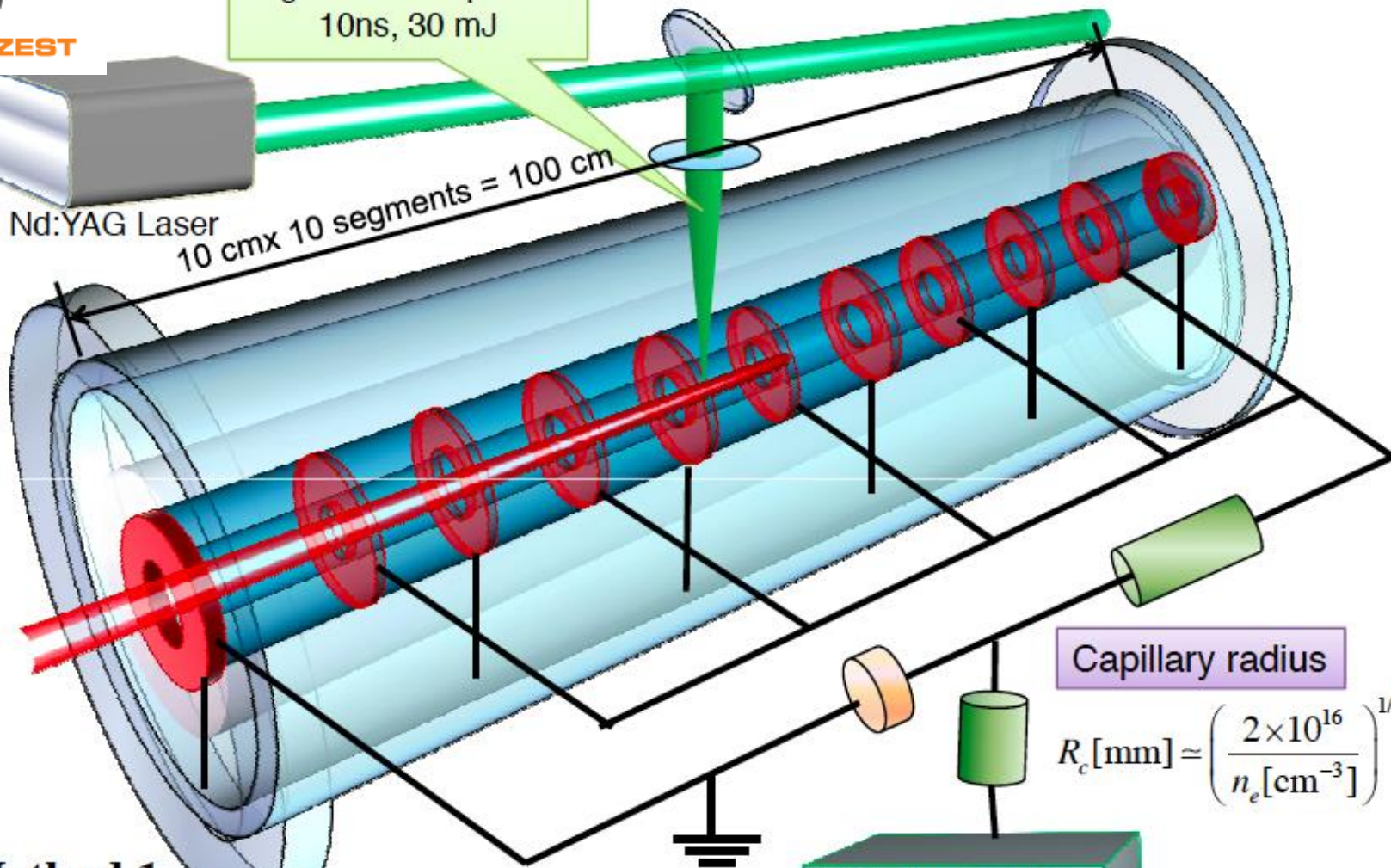


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Ignition laser pulse
10ns, 30 mJ

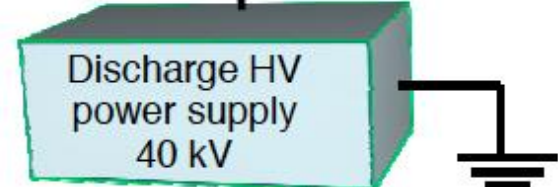
Nd:YAG Laser

10 cmx 10 segments = 100 cm



Capillary radius

$$R_c [\text{mm}] \approx \left(\frac{2 \times 10^{16}}{n_e [\text{cm}^{-3}]} \right)^{1/3.2}$$



Discharge HV
power supply
40 kV

Method 1
**Ablative Discharge Plasma
Waveguide-Meter Module**



Areas of improvement in



LA performance for various applications

(from Darmstadt JTF workshop, 2010; also in Final Report of JTF: W. Leemans, W. Chou, M. Uesaka)

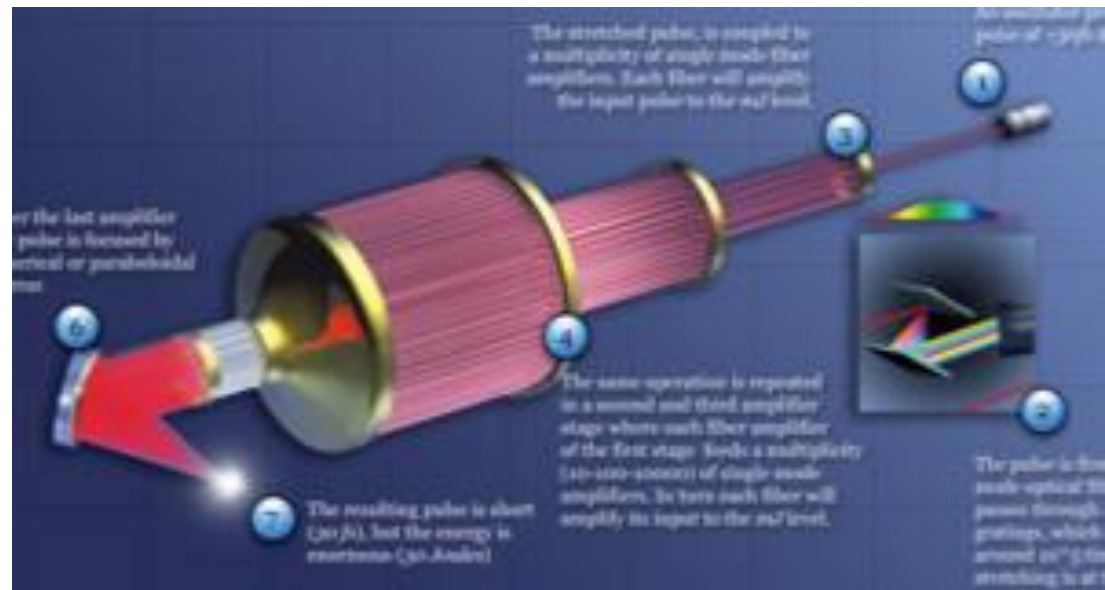
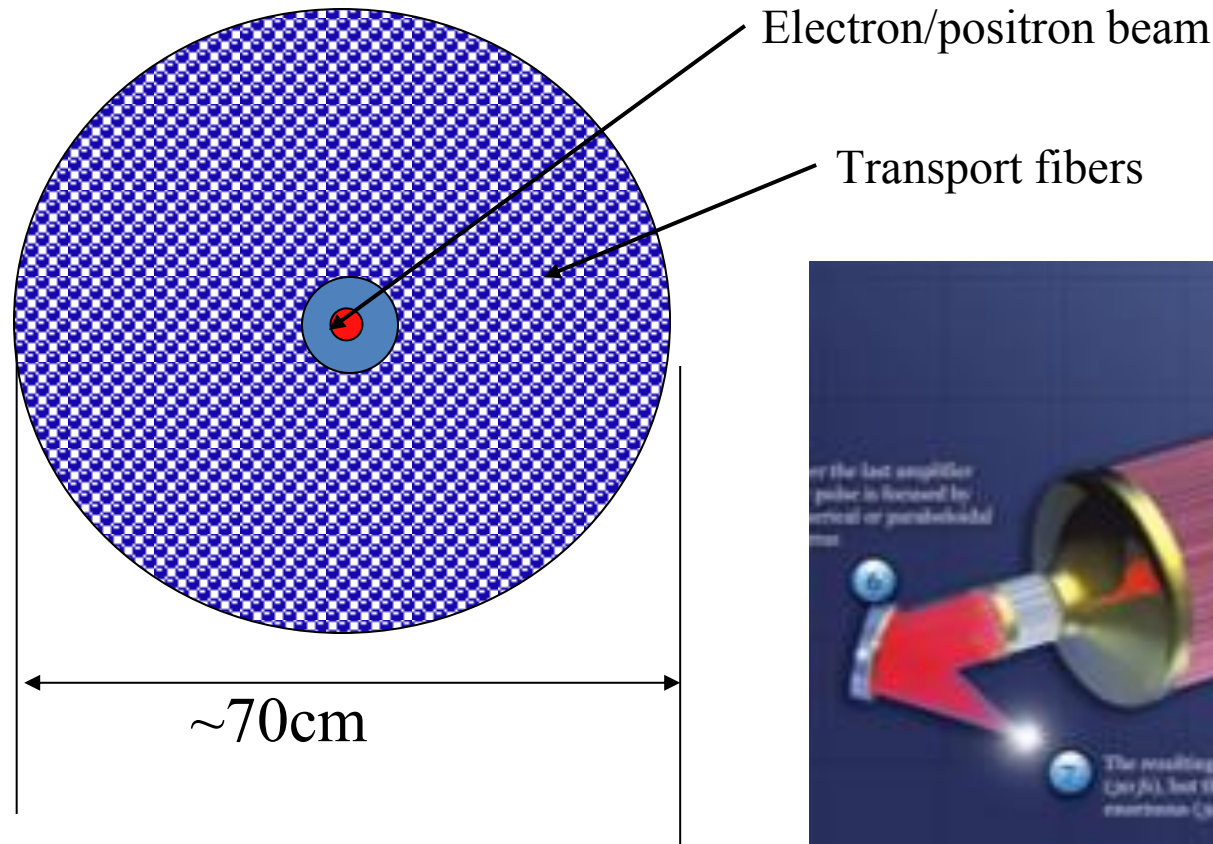
| | THz | X-rays (betatron) | FEL (XUV) | Gamma- rays | FEL (X-rays) | Collider |
|-------------------|-----|----------------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|----------|
| Energy | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ↑ | ↑↑ |
| $\Delta E/E$ | ✓ | ✓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓↓ | ↓↓ |
| ε | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ↓↓ |
| Charge | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ↑ | ✓ | ↑ |
| Bunch duration | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Avg. power | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑↑ |

- ✓ : OK as is
- ↑: increase needed
- ↓: decrease needed

Need to Phase

32 J/1mJ/fiber ~ 3×10^4 Phased Fibers!

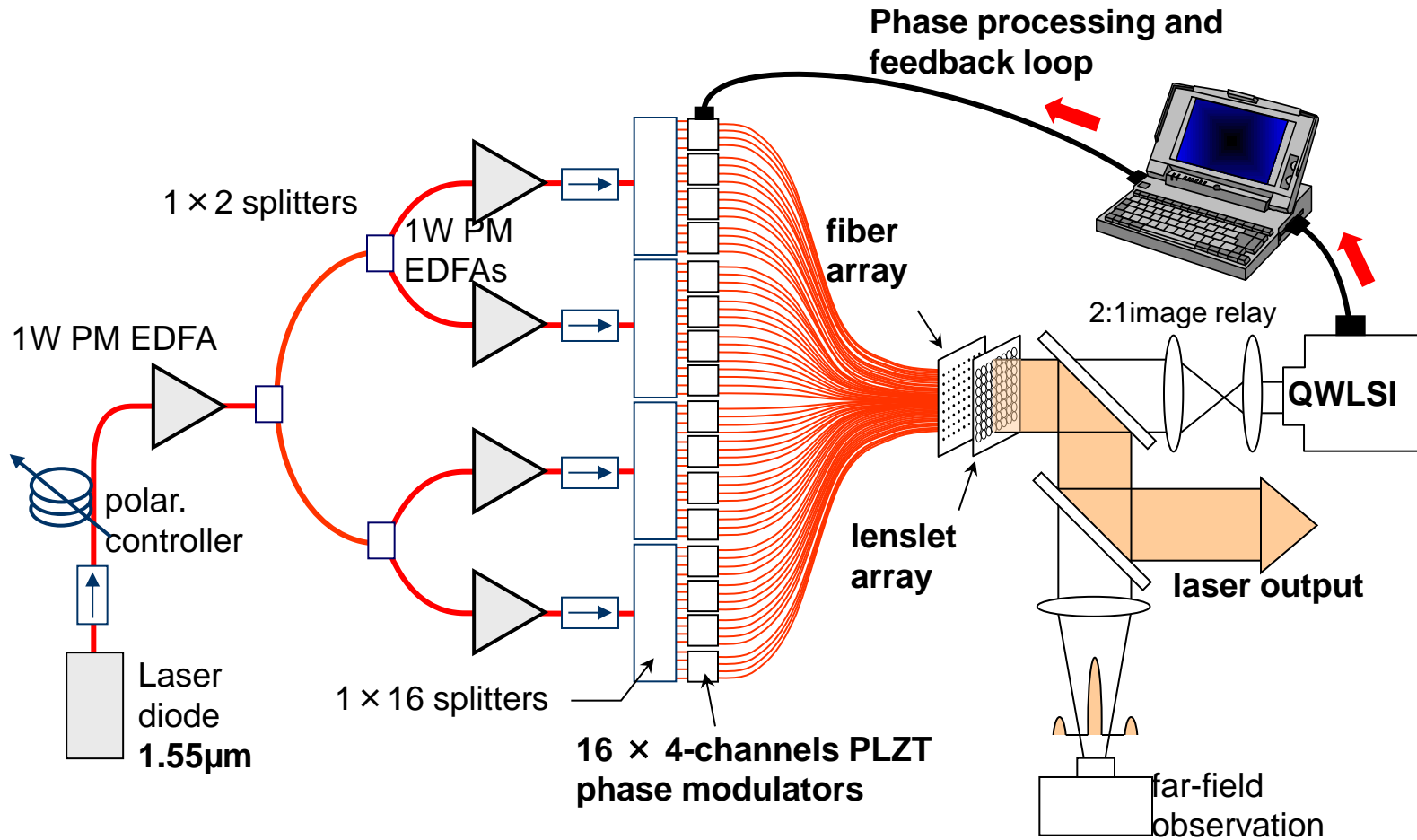
Mourou, Brocklesby, Tajima, Limpert,
Nature Photonics (2013)



Length of a fiber ~2m

Total fiber length ~ 5×10^4 km

Coherent Fiber Combining



Achievement 2011

\rightarrow 64 phase-locked fibers

γ - γ collider and CAN laser



γ - γ collider and XCAN fiber laser

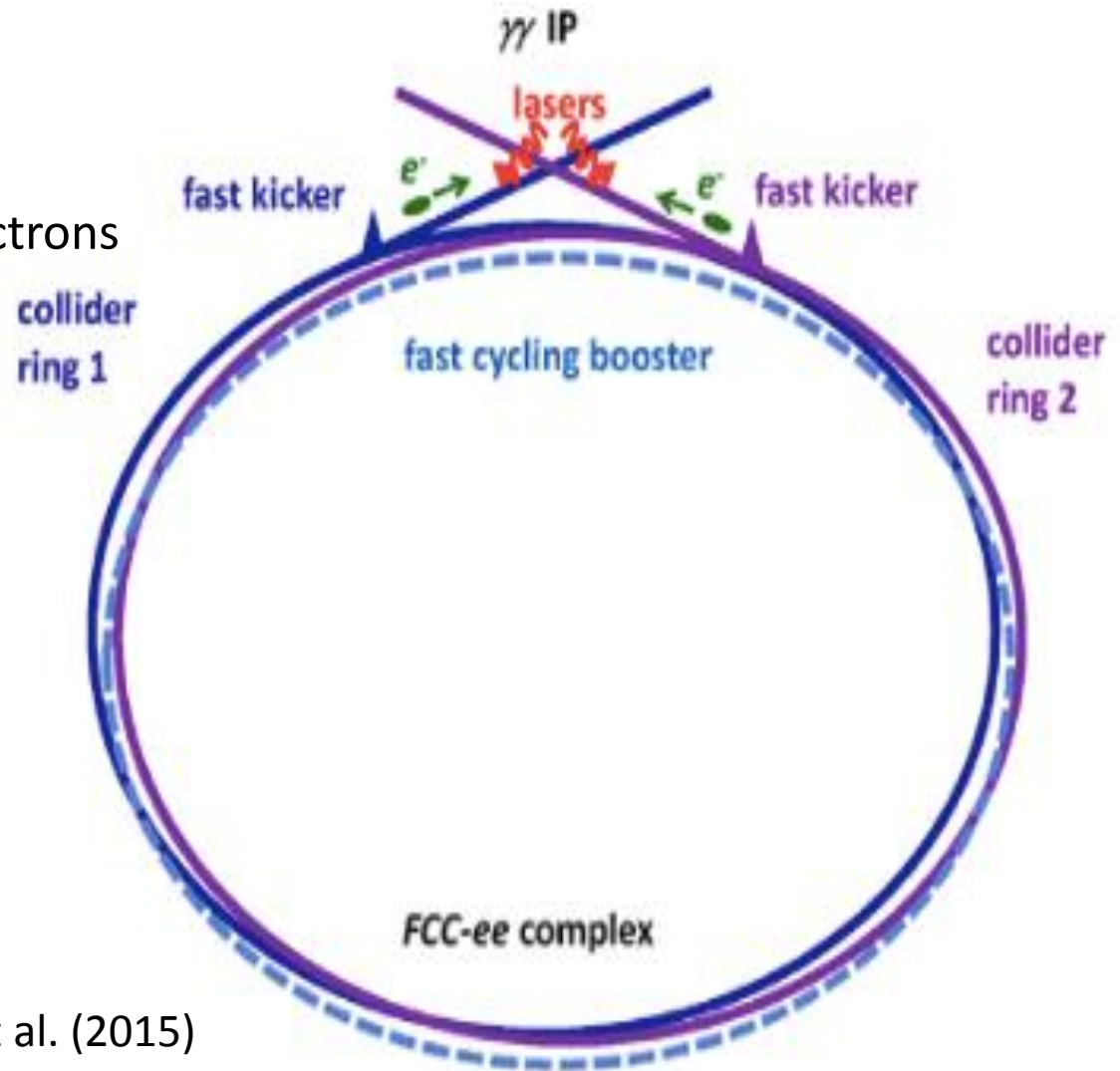
One option of FCC of CERN:

γ - γ collider

lasers that backscatter off electrons

CAN fiber laser

(high rep-rate,
high fluence,
high efficiency)



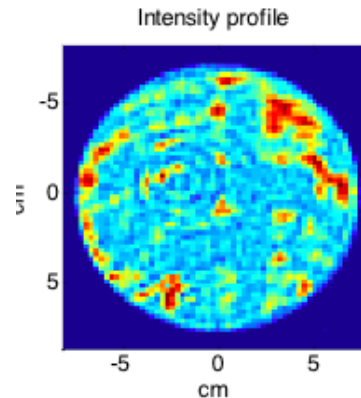
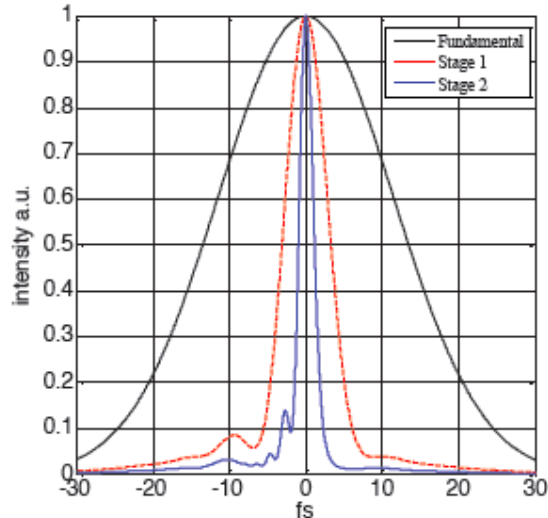
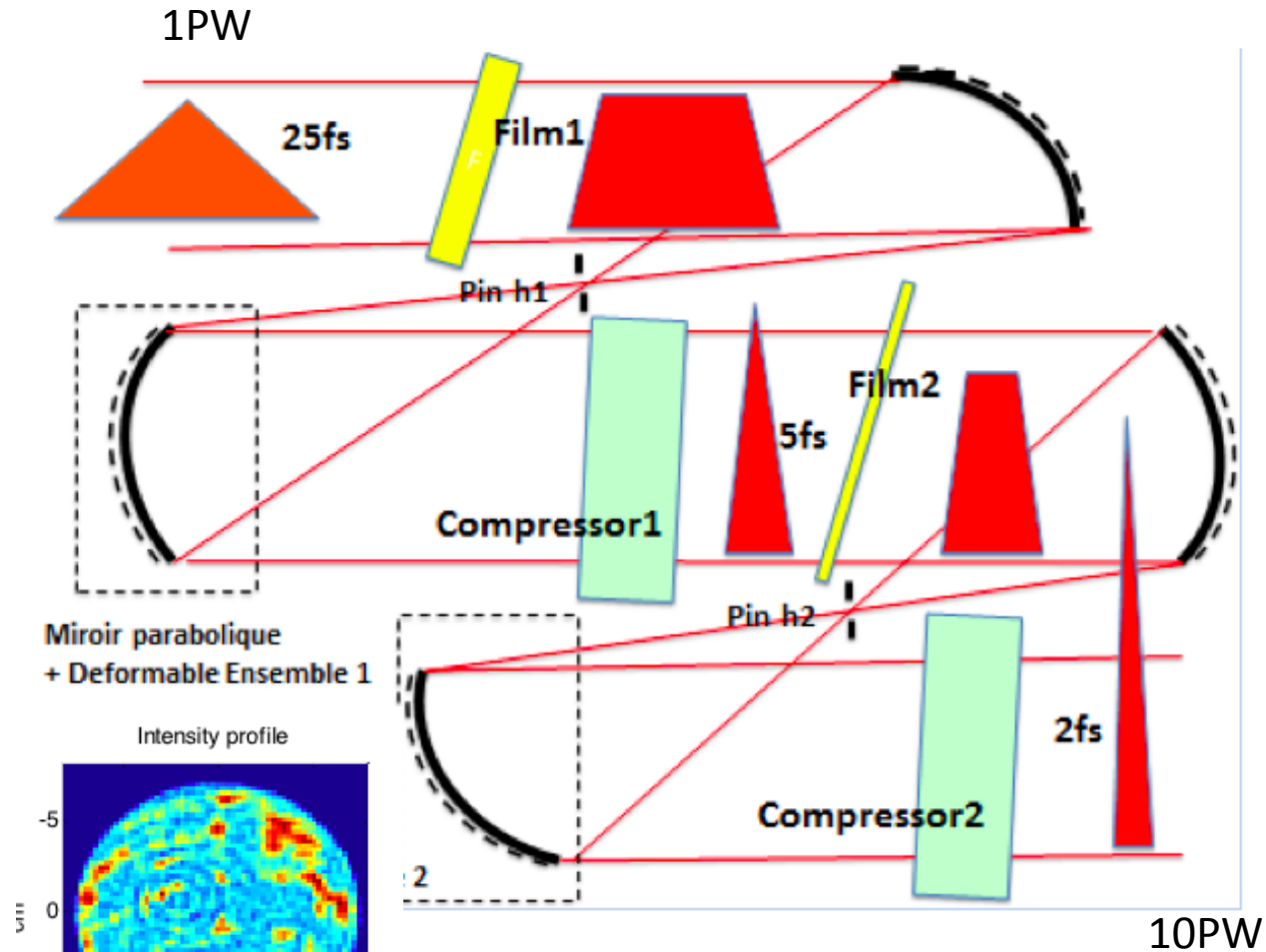
R. Aleksan, et al. (2015)

Thin Film Compression and ion accelerator

Single-cycle **laser** (new Thin Film Compression)

$$\text{Laser power} = \text{energy} / \text{pulse length}$$

Optical nonlinearity of thin film \rightarrow pulse frequency width bulge, pulse compression



UCI TFC

Chirped Mirror: CM
Gold Mirror: GM
Wedge: W
TFC Target (Fused Silica): TFC

CM

W

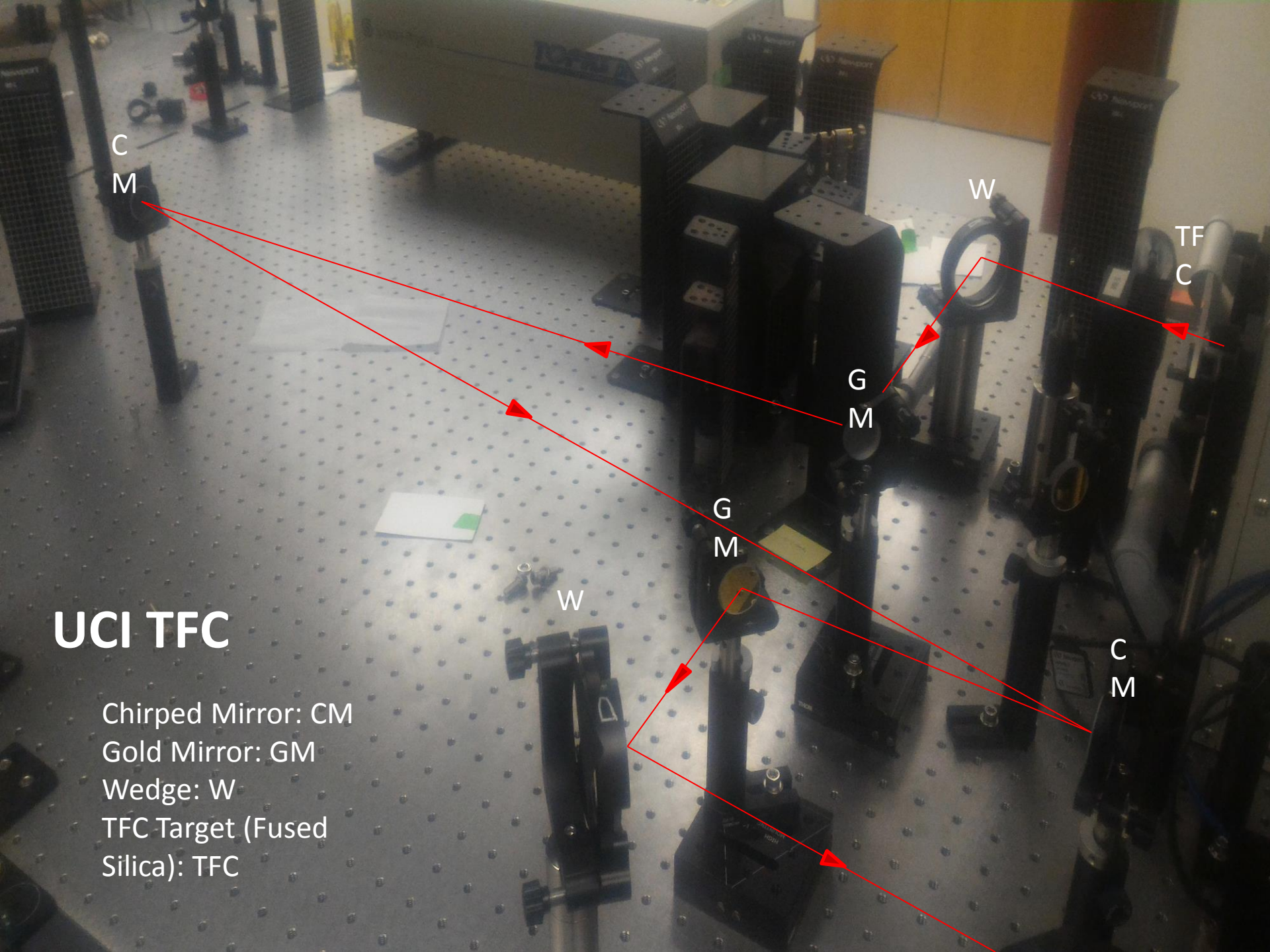
TFC

GM

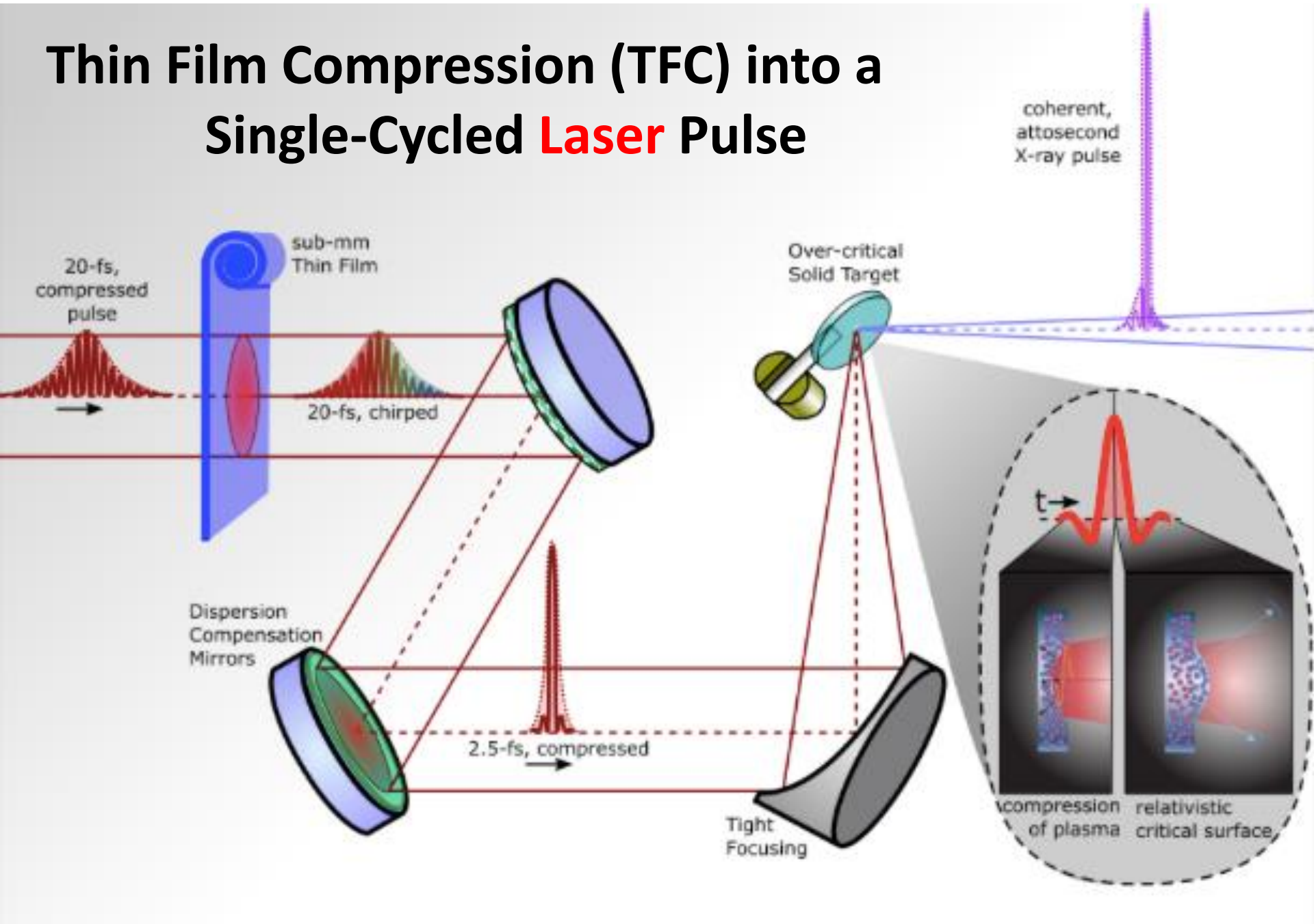
GM

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CM

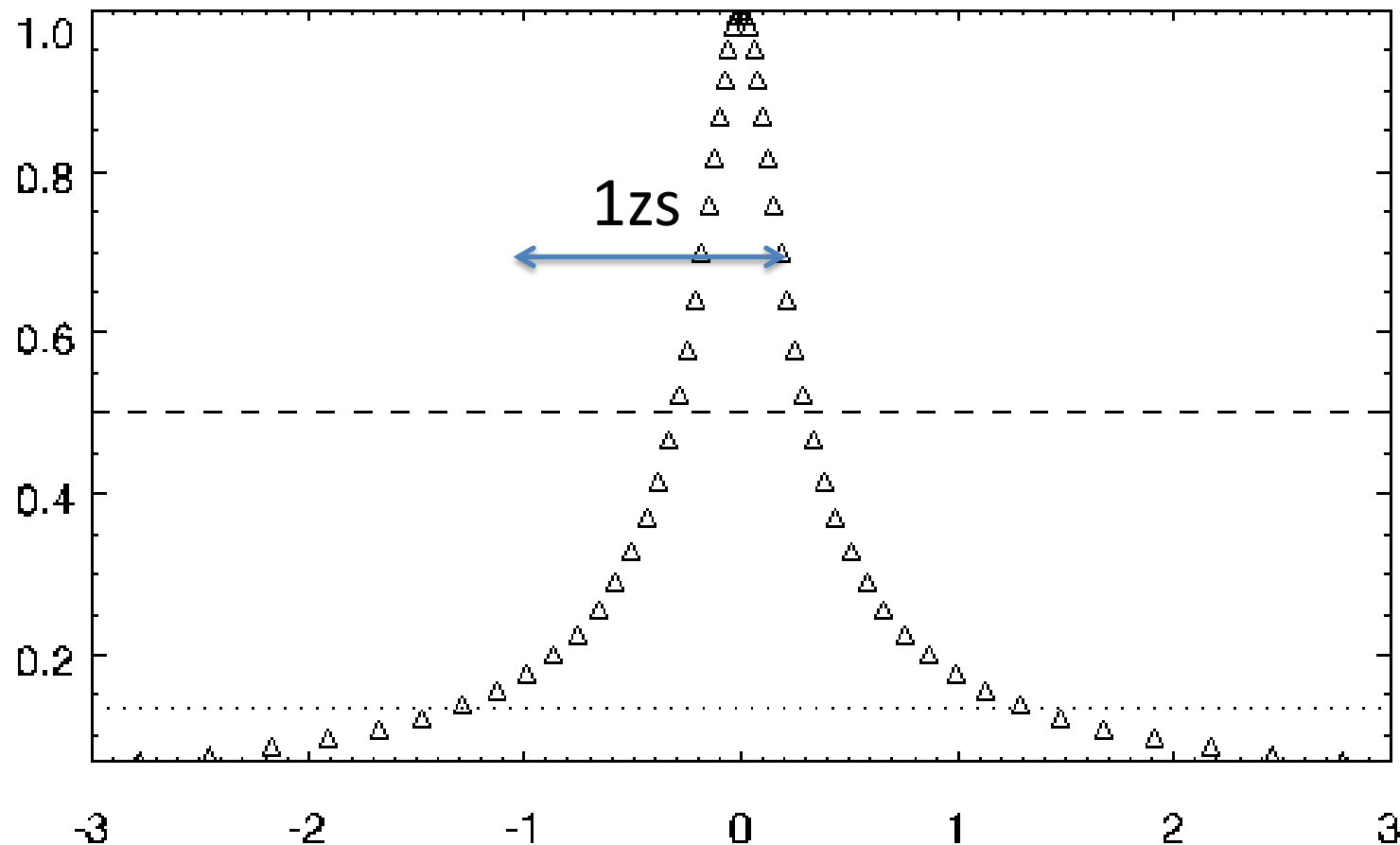


Thin Film Compression (TFC) into a Single-Cycled Laser Pulse



Even, isolated zeptosecond **X-ray laser** pulse possible

(simulation by N. Naumova, et al., 2014)

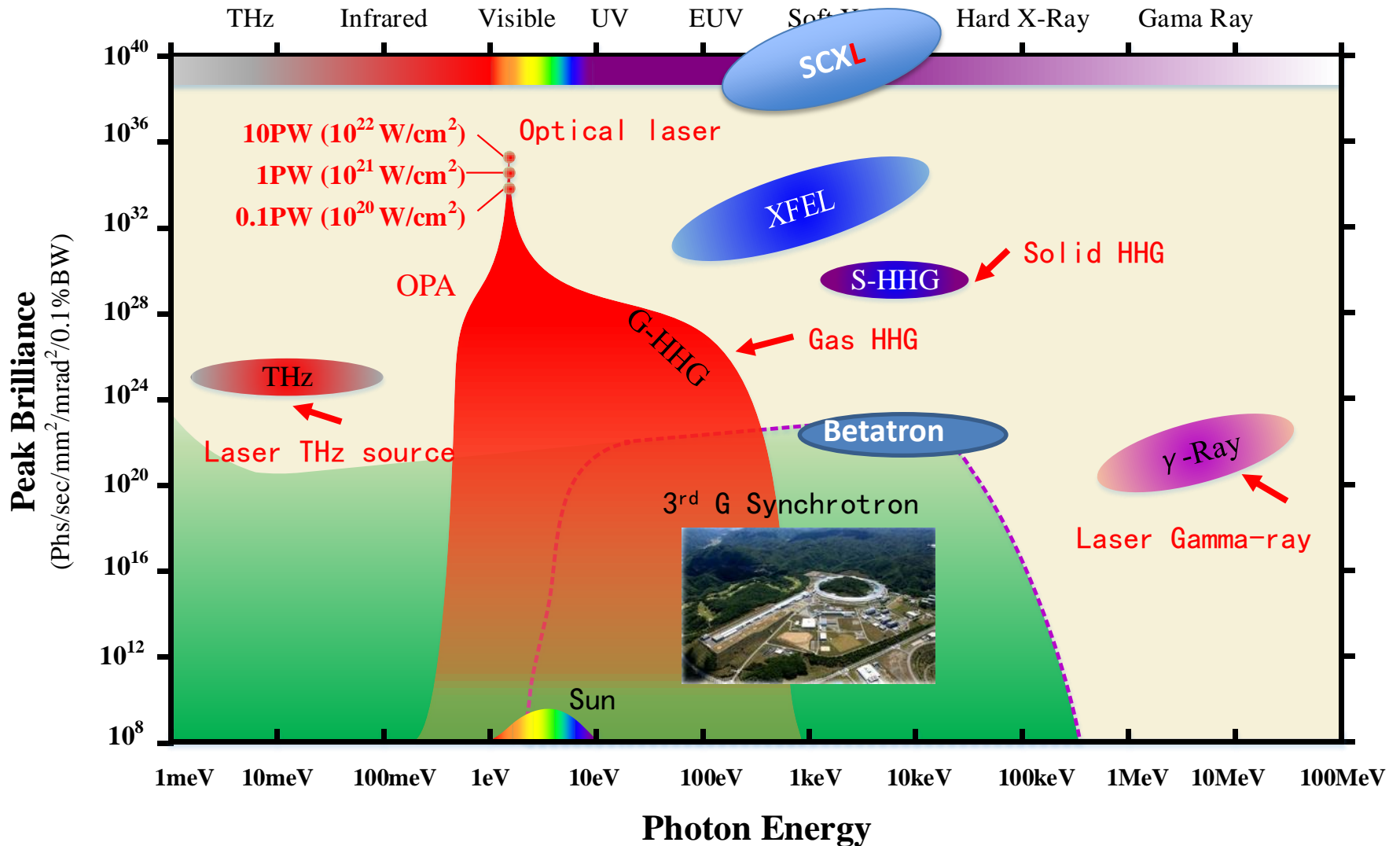


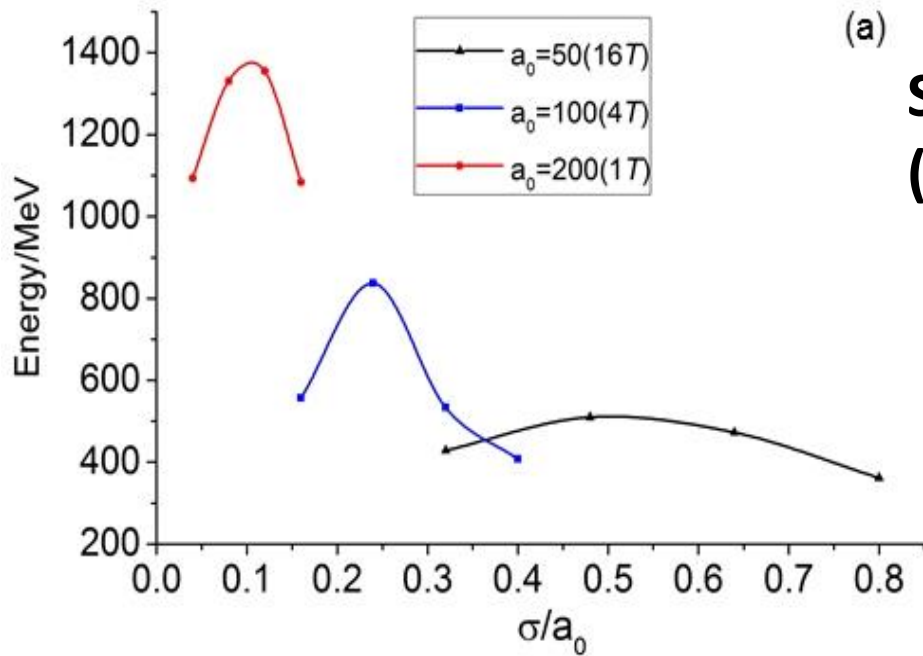
⇒
1PW optical **laser** → 10PW single osc. Optical **laser**
→ EW single osc. X-ray **laser**

Consistent with “Intensity-pulse-width Conjecture” (Mourou-Tajima, Science **331** (2011))

Petawatt laser / secondary rays vs SR, XFEL, and SCXL

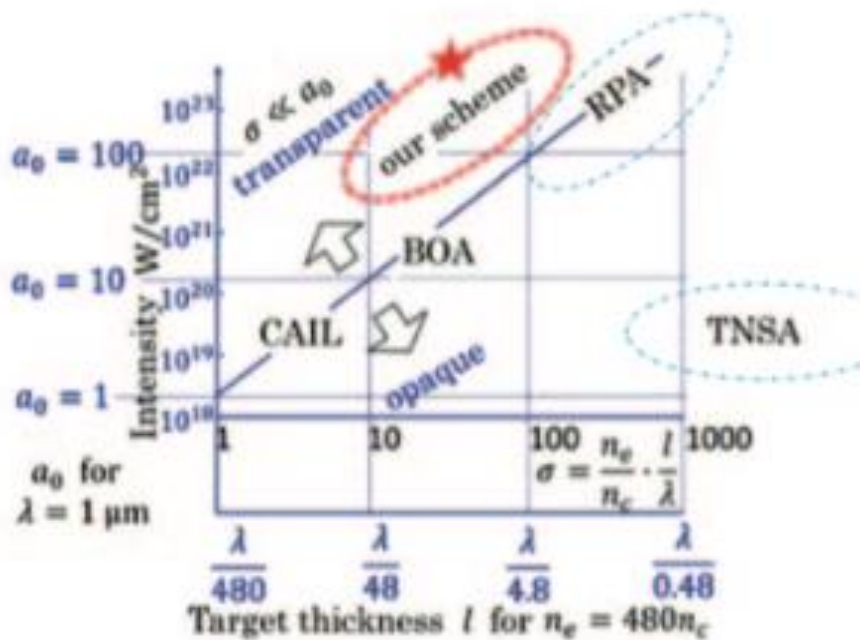
Brilliance of our Single Cycled X-ray Laser (SCXL)





Single-Cycled **Laser** Acceleration (SCLA)

more coherent acceleration
under same laser energy: more
energies proportional to a_0



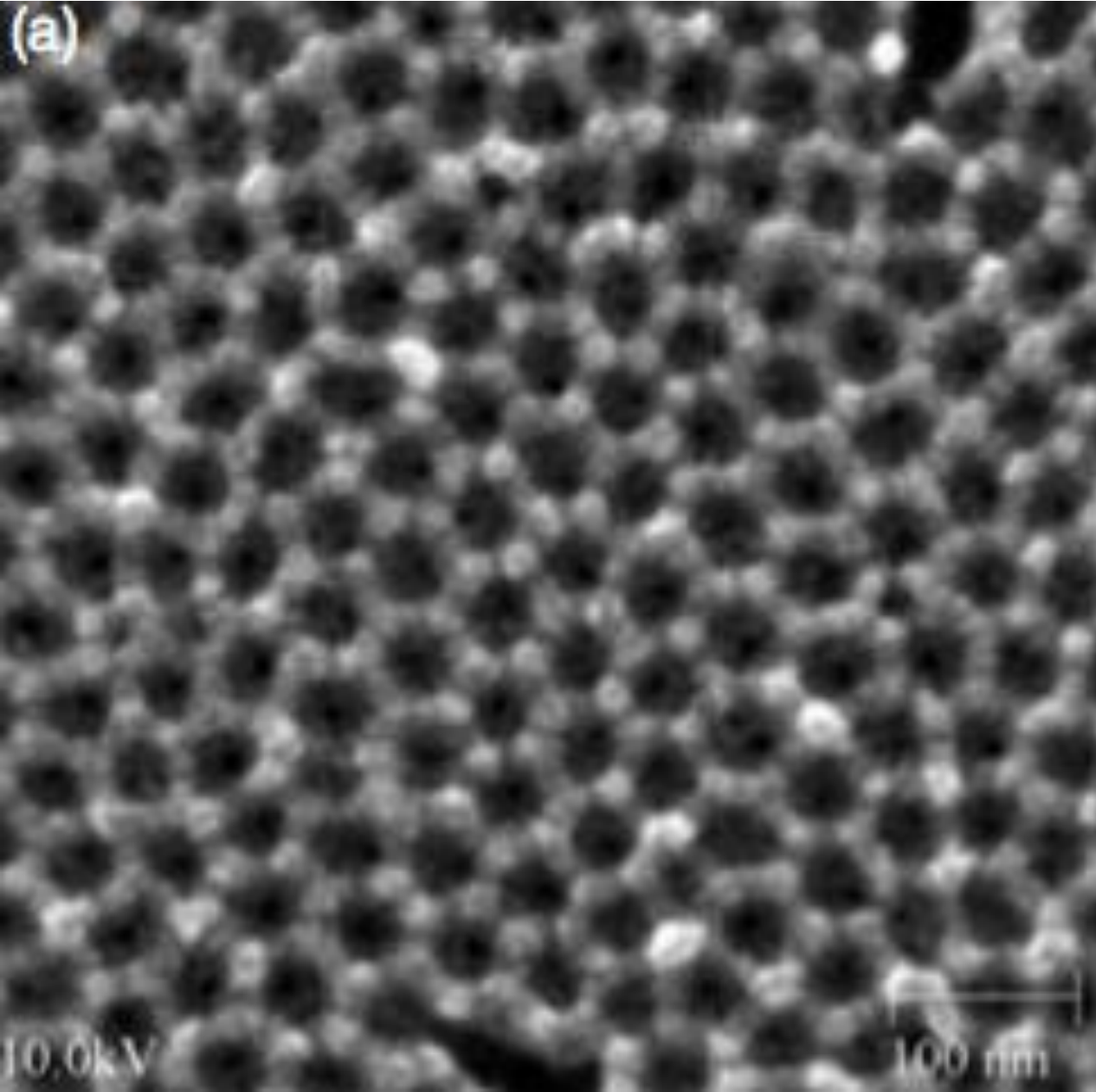
Domain map of various ion accelerations in a_0 and σ

Target thickness l for $n_e = 480n_c$

X-ray LWFA in Nanostructure

Porous Nanomaterial:

rastering possible



Nano holes:
reduce the stopping
power
keep strong **wakefields**

→ Marriage of *nanotech* and
high field science

*Spatia (nm), time(as-zs),
density 10^{24} /cc), photon (keV)*
scales:

Transverse and longitudinal
structure of nanotubes: act as
e.g., accelerator structure (the
structure intact in time of
ionization, material
breakdown times fs > x-ray
pulse time zs-as)

Porous alumina on Si substrate
Nanotech. **15**, 833 (2004);
P. Taborek (UCI): porous alumina
(2007)

UCI/Fermilab efforts on nanostructure wakefield acceleration

16th Advanced Accelerator Concept Workshop (AAC2014)



TeV/m Nano-Accelerator

Current Status of CNT-Channeling Acceleration Experiment



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X-ray wakefield acceleration in nanomaterials tubes

T. Tajima, EPJ (2014)

X-ray laser with short length and small spot:

NB: electrons in outers-shell bound states, too, interact with X-rays

Simulation:

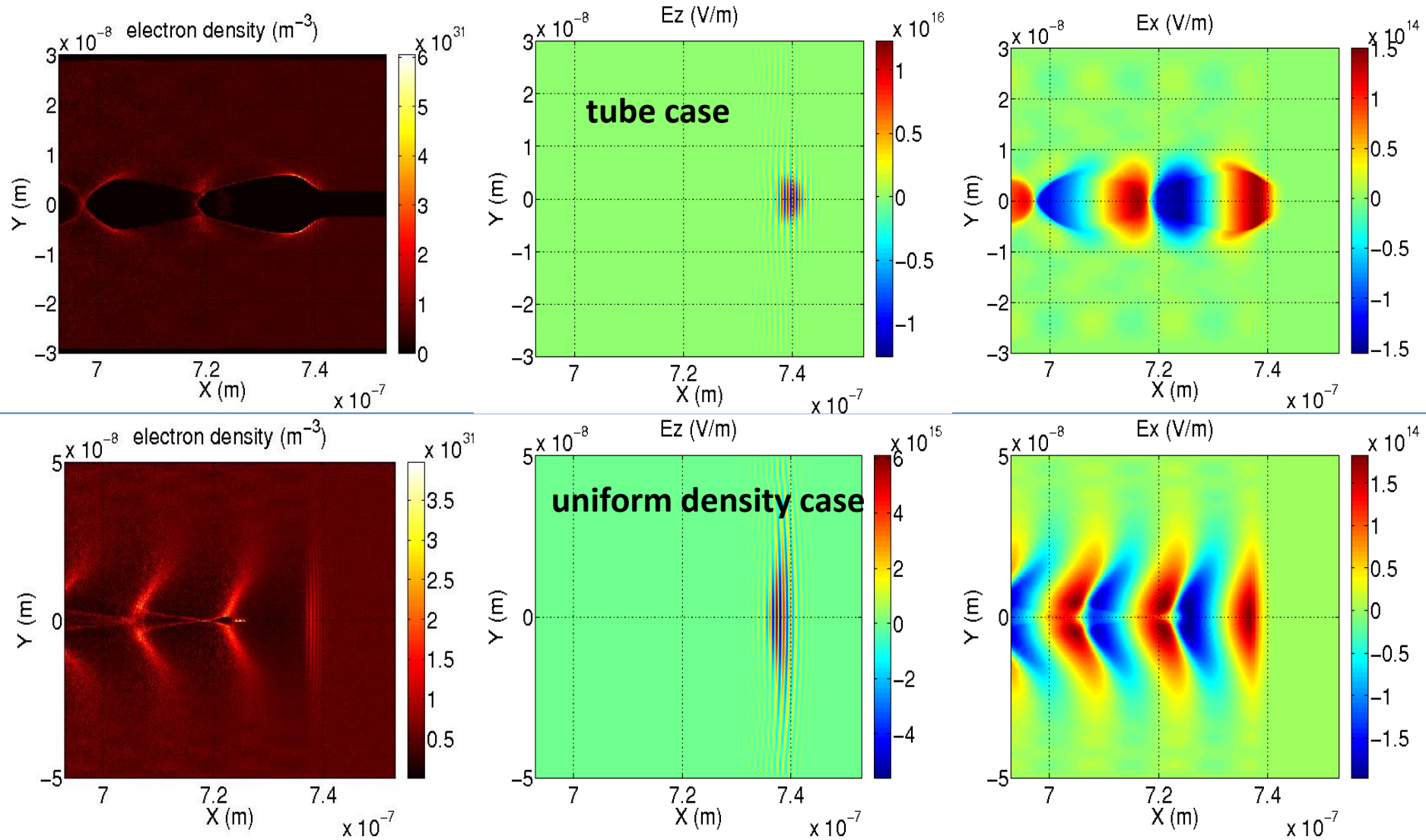
X.M. Zhang, et al. (2016)

Laser pulse with small spot can be well controlled and guided with a tube. Such structure available e.g. with **carbon nanotube**, or **alumina nanotubes** (typical simulation parameters)

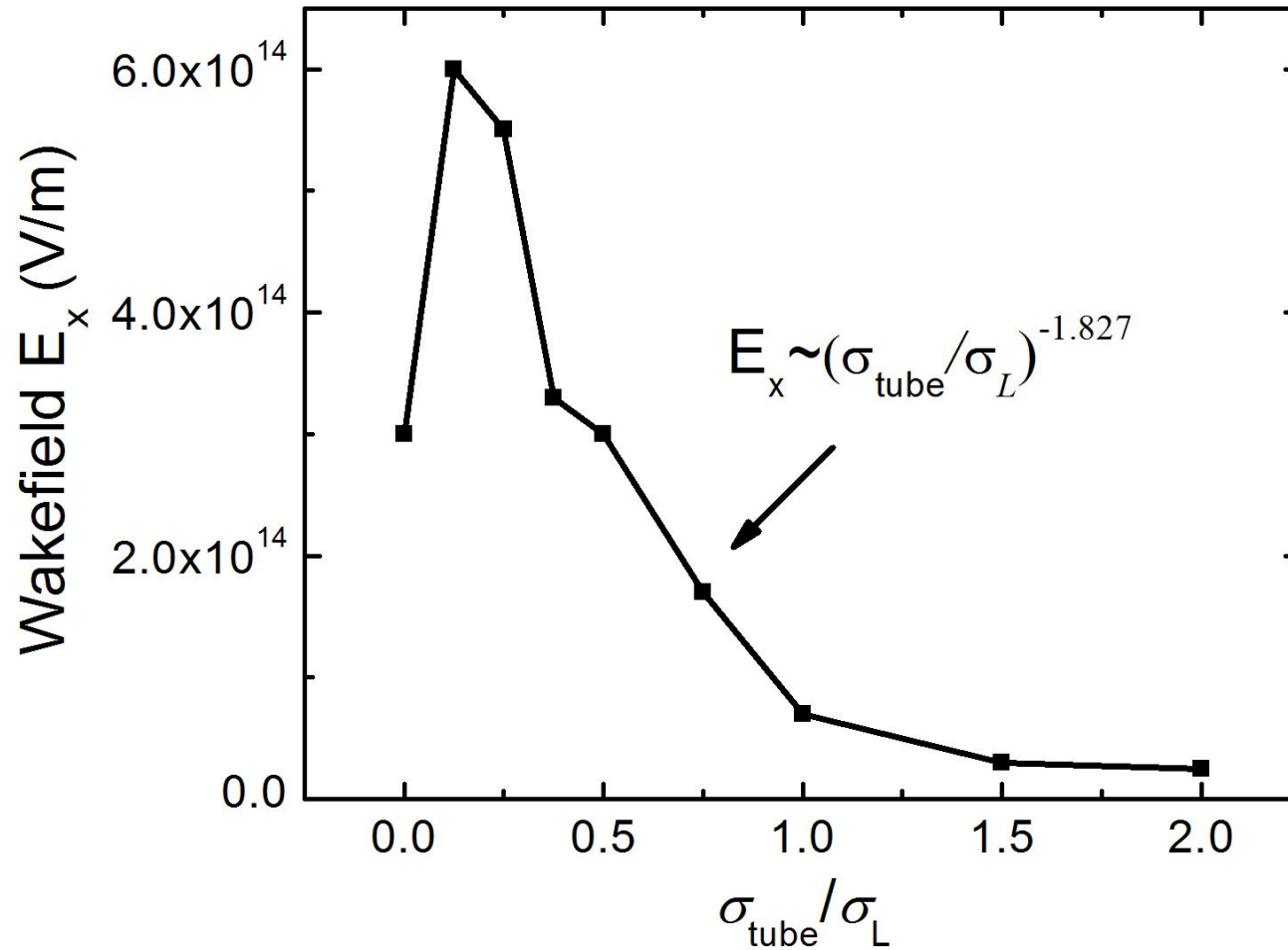
$$\lambda = 1nm, a_0 = 4, \sigma_L = 5nm, \tau_L = 3nm / c$$

$$n_{tube} = 5 \times 10^{24} / cm^3, \sigma_{tube} = 2.5nm$$

Wakefield comparison between the cases of a tube and a uniform density



Wakefields and the tube geometry



conclusions

- **Laser** wakefield accelerators with CAN → a **collider**
- Fiber **laser** revolution: High replate, high efficiency---collab with CERN--- **$\gamma\gamma$ collider**
- Further innovation in **laser** with **TFC** : single-cycled **laser**'s promise—New technological window
- Efficient proton acceleration: **isotope production, ADS**
- Single-cycled X-ray **laser** --→ “**TeV on a chip**”

Merci beaucoup!

