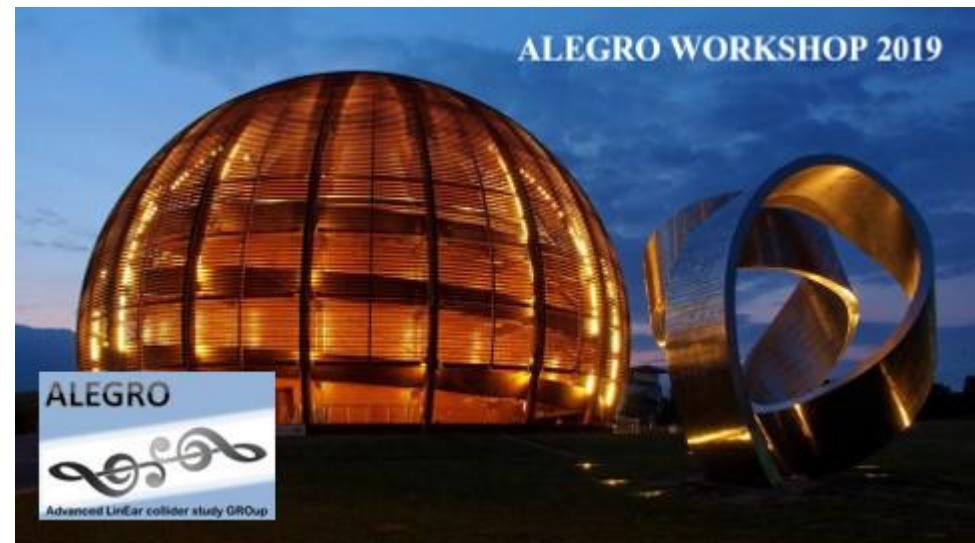


Simulations for EuPRAXIA Accelerator Design

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16 Participants



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25 Associated Partners



Private companies



From Acceleration to Accelerator
From Proof of principle to User's Facility

Mission: Produce a Conceptual Design Report for the world's first

Simultaneously!

- high energy 1-5 GeV plasma-based electron accelerator
driven by laser or electron beam
- with “industrial quality”
 - 24/7 user operation
 - high reliability, reproducibility
 - high repetition rate ≥ 10 Hz toward 100 Hz
- with high beam quality and high beam charge
- with user areas: FEL & HOPA

Simultaneously!

Critical parameters of the electron beam required at Injection or Acceleration stages

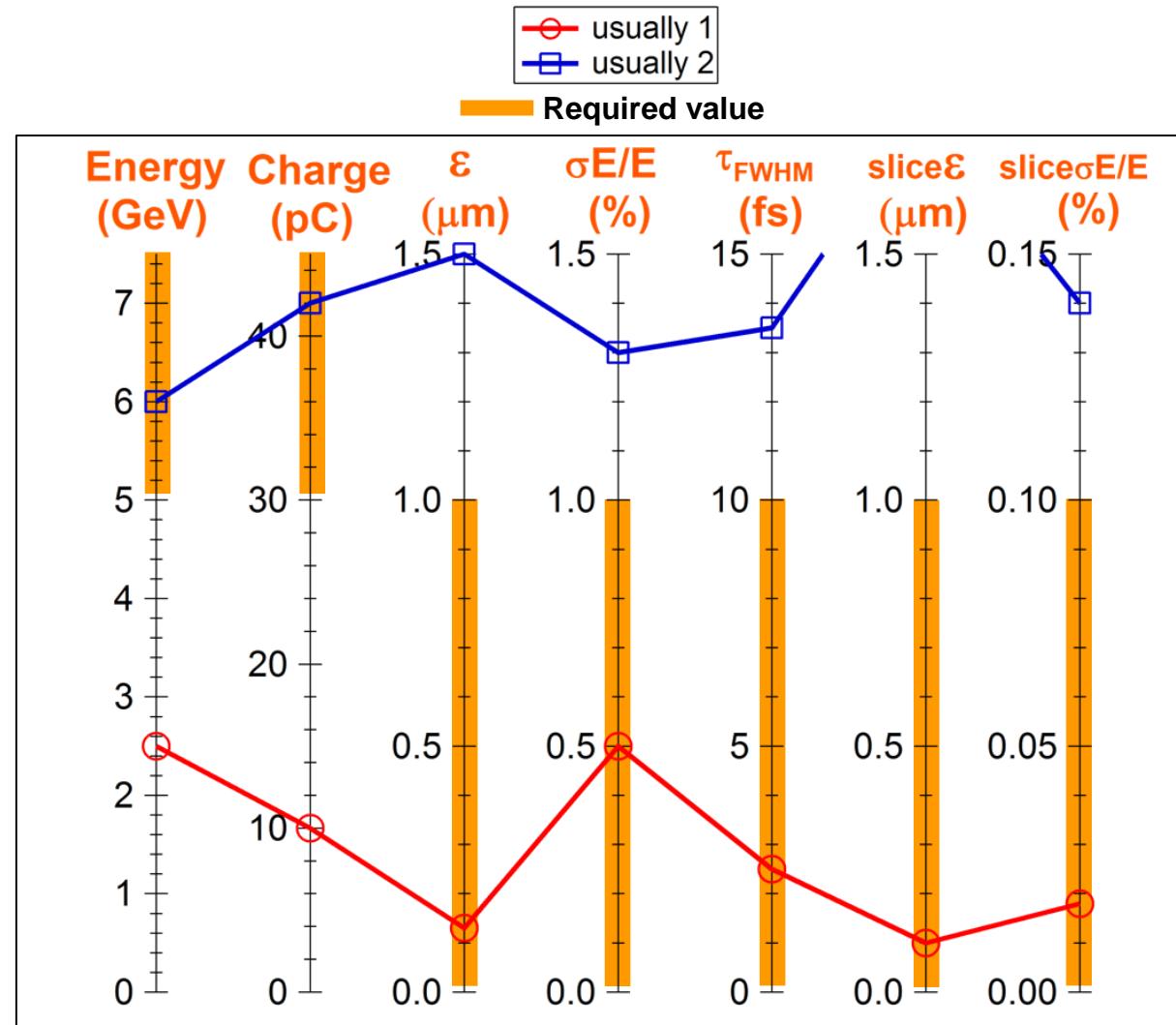
OBJECTIVE:

- Providing beam at 5 GeV meeting 'perfectly' FEL and HOPA requirements
- Providing also beam at 1 GeV 'usable' for FEL and HOPA as a 'commissioning' step

Parameter	LP Injector exit	RF Injector exit	Accelerator exit
E	150 MeV	250-500 MeV	5 GeV (1 GeV)
Q	30 pC	30 pC	30 pC
τ (FWHM)	10 fs	10 fs	10 fs
σ_E/E	5%	0.2 %	1%
$\sigma_{E,s}/E$	t.b.d.	t.b.d.	0.1 %
ϵ_n	1 mm.mrad	1 mm.mrad	1 mm.mrad
$\epsilon_{n,s}$	t.b.d.	t.b.d.	1 mm.mrad

at the applications!

Beam parameters at 5 GeV at the user's doorstep



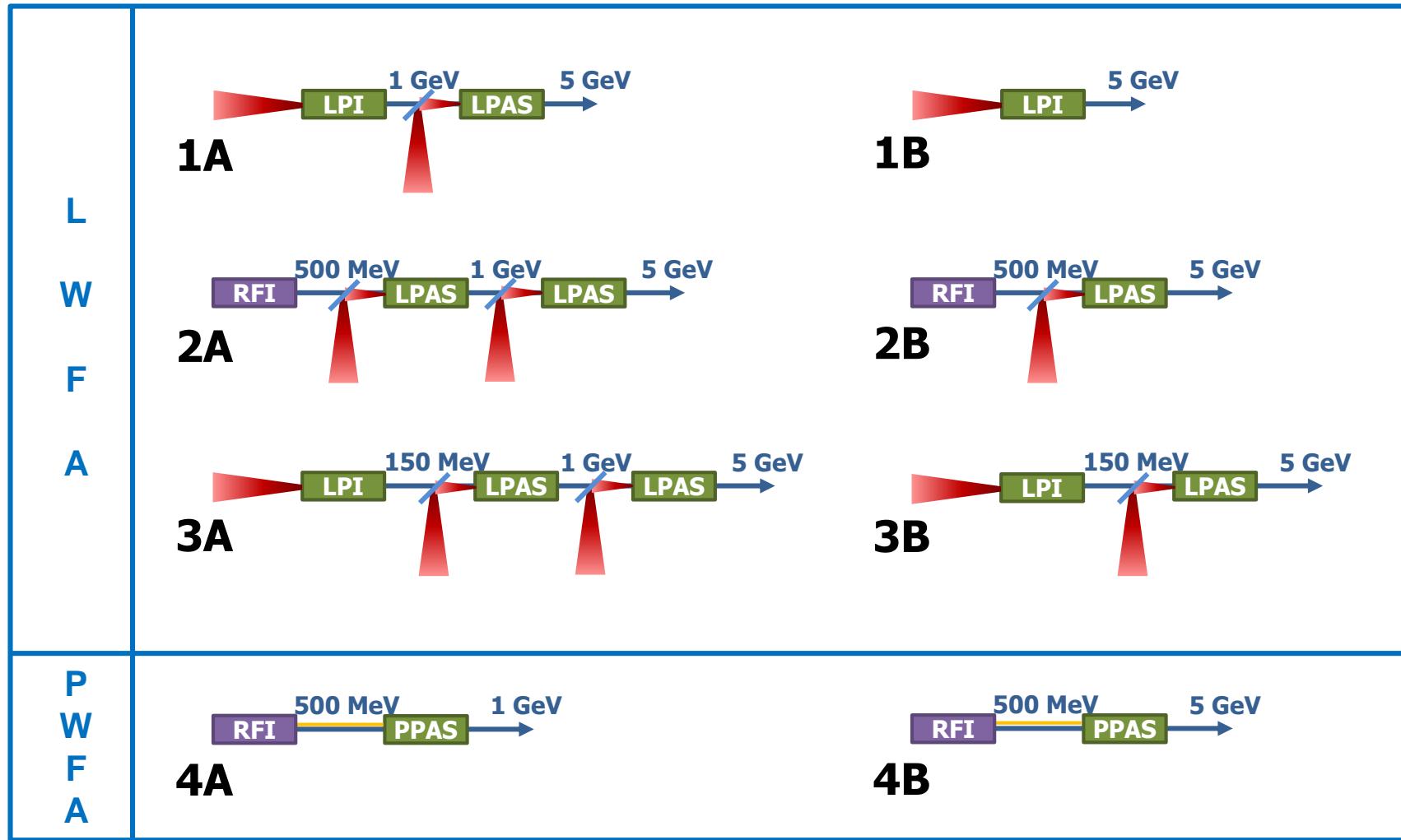
"Physics experiment " approach : often built around a laser facility

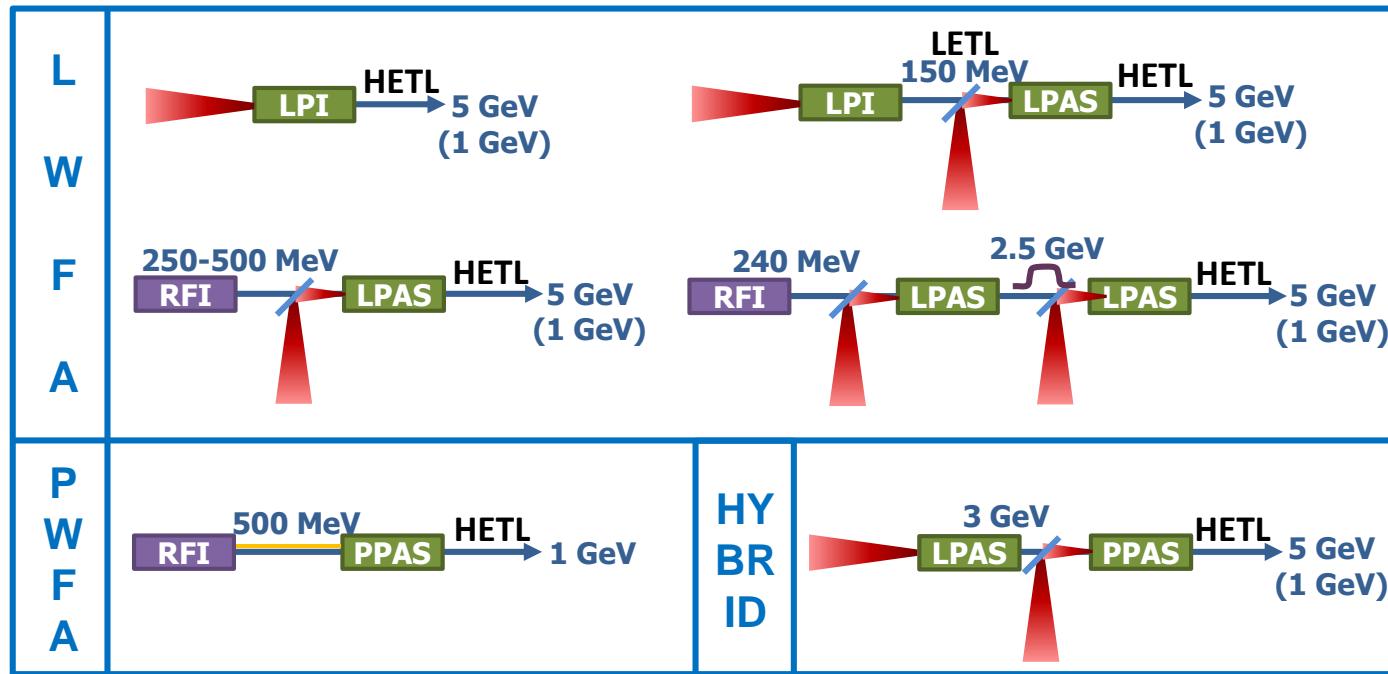
"Accelerator" approach : like for a conventional accelerator

1. Definition of the desired beam parameters (TLR)
2. Large exploration (simulations) of inject./accelerat. configurations
3. Selection of the appropriate configurations
4. Determination of specifications for the laser and plasma systems

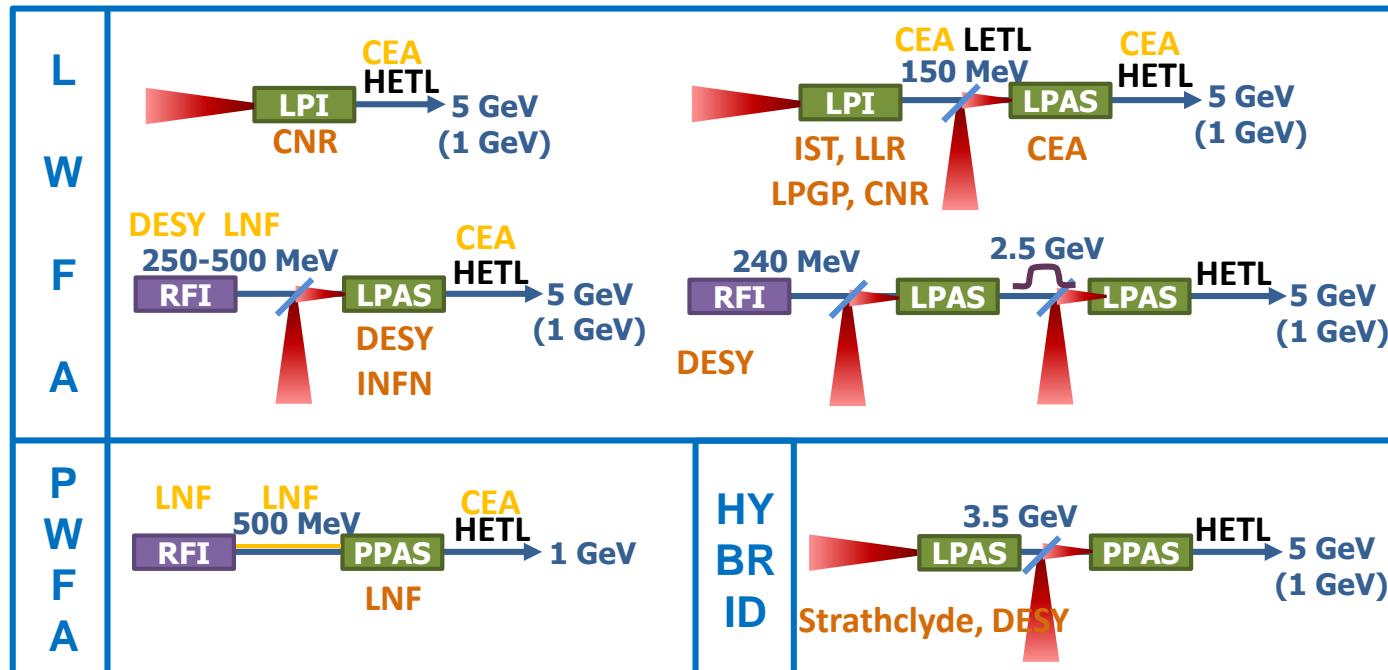
Issues : in plasma-based accelerator

- Simulations are very time consuming
- Many simulation codes → reliability, robustness ?





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RFI 240 MeV S-band, RF & Magn.compression

RFI 500 MeV S-band & X-band, Comb technique

LPI 150 MeV Wave-breaking injection and nonlinear regime

Shock-front injection and blow-out regime

Ionization injection and quasi-linear regime

Downramp injection and blow-out regime

Resonant Multiple Ionization Injection (ReMPI)

LPAS 5 GeV Quasi-linear regime, 1 LPAS

Blow-out regime, 2 LPAS + chicane

PPAS 1 GeV Weakly-nonlinear regime

LPAS-PPAS Trojan Horse Injection and blow-out regime

Wakefield Induced Ionization Injection and blow-out regime

RFI 240 MeV	S-band, RF & Magn.compression	ASTRA
RFI 500 MeV	S-band & X-band, Comb technique	Tstep, Elegant
LPI 150 MeV	Wave-breaking injection and nonlinear regime Shock-front injection and blow-out regime Ionization injection and quasi-linear regime Downramp injection and blow-out regime Resonant Multiple Ionization Injection (ReMPI)	SMILEI CALDER-C Warp OSIRIS ALaDYN, QFluid
LPAS 5 GeV	Quasi-linear regime, 1 LPAS Blow-out regime, 2 LPAS + chicane	FBPIC, QFluid, Warp FBPIC, ASTRA, CSRtrack
PPAS 1 GeV	Weakly-nonlinear regime	Architect
LPAS-PPAS	Trojan Horse Injection and blow-out regime Wakefield Induce Ionization and blow-out regime	VSim OSIRIS

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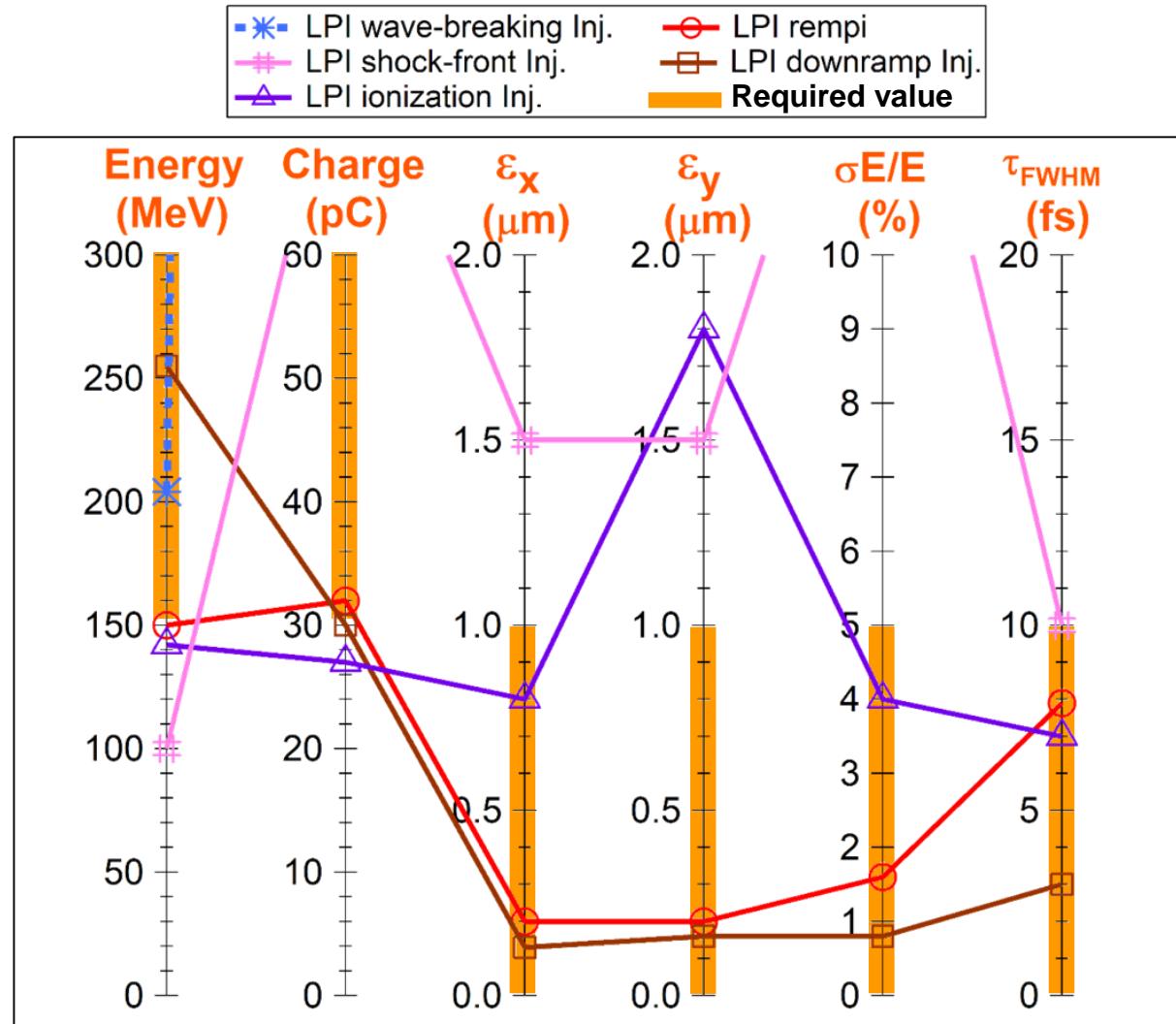
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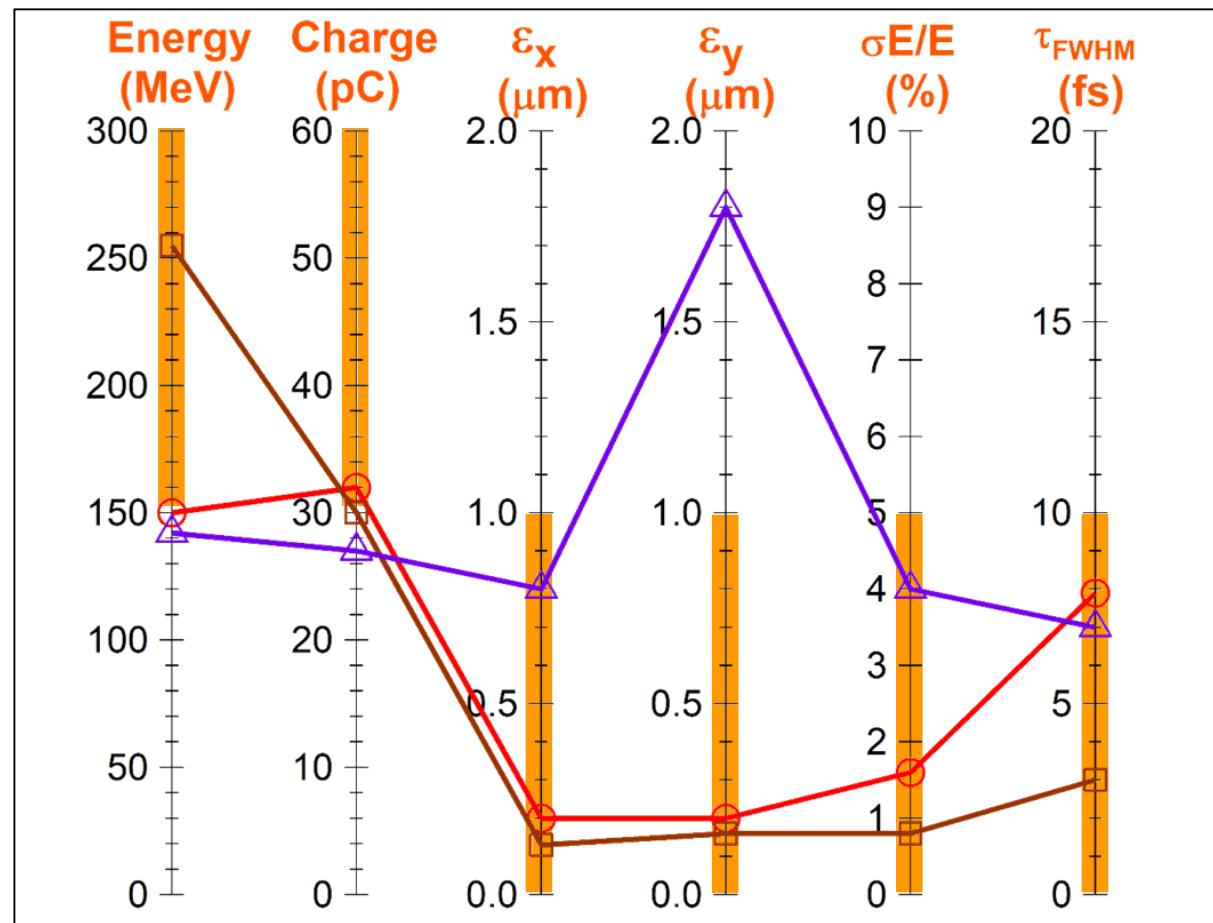
All the configurations



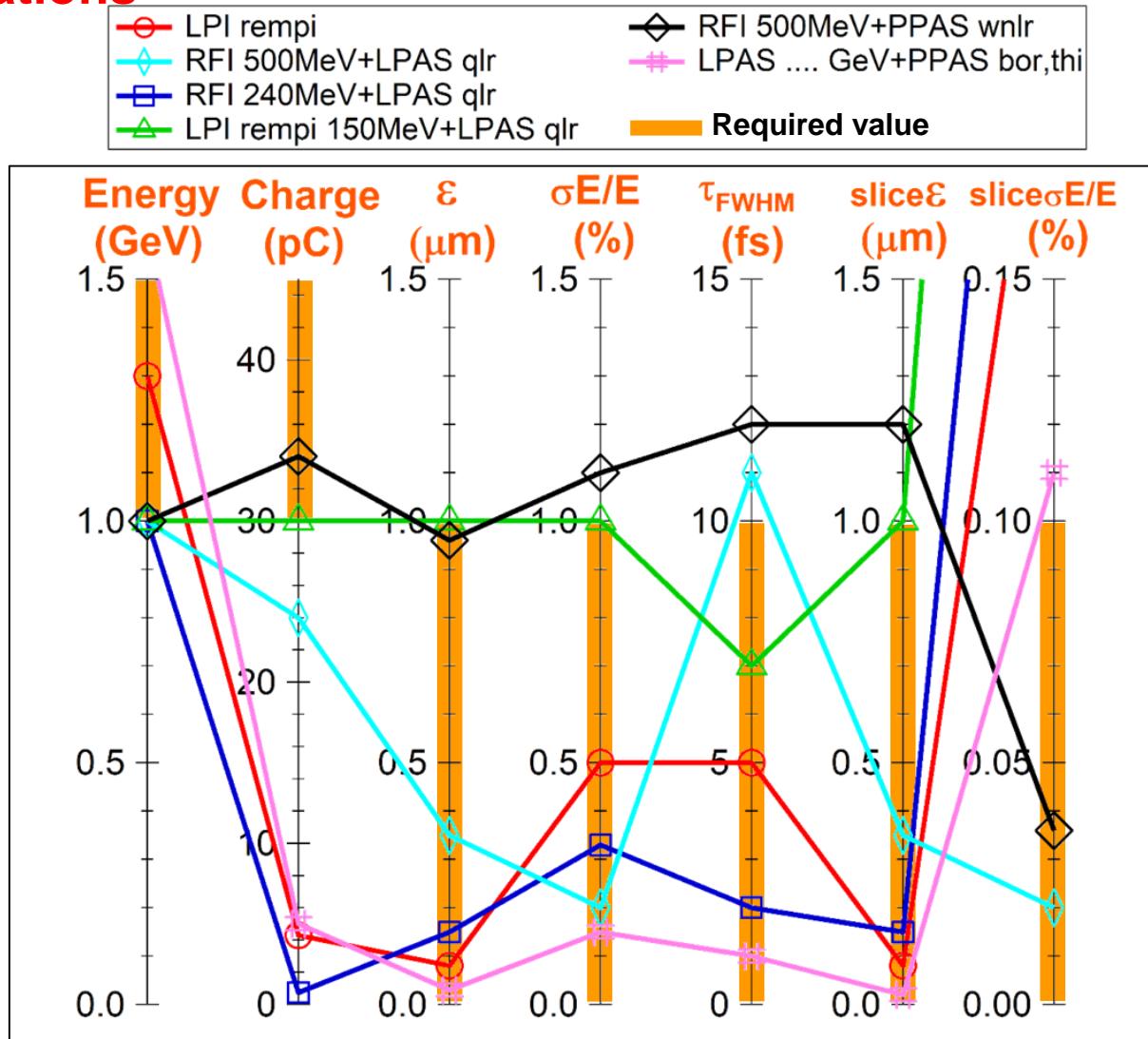
Configurations closest to the requirements

Selected for start-to-end simulation

○ LPI rempi □ LPI downramp Inj.
△ LPI ionization Inj. — Required value



All the configurations

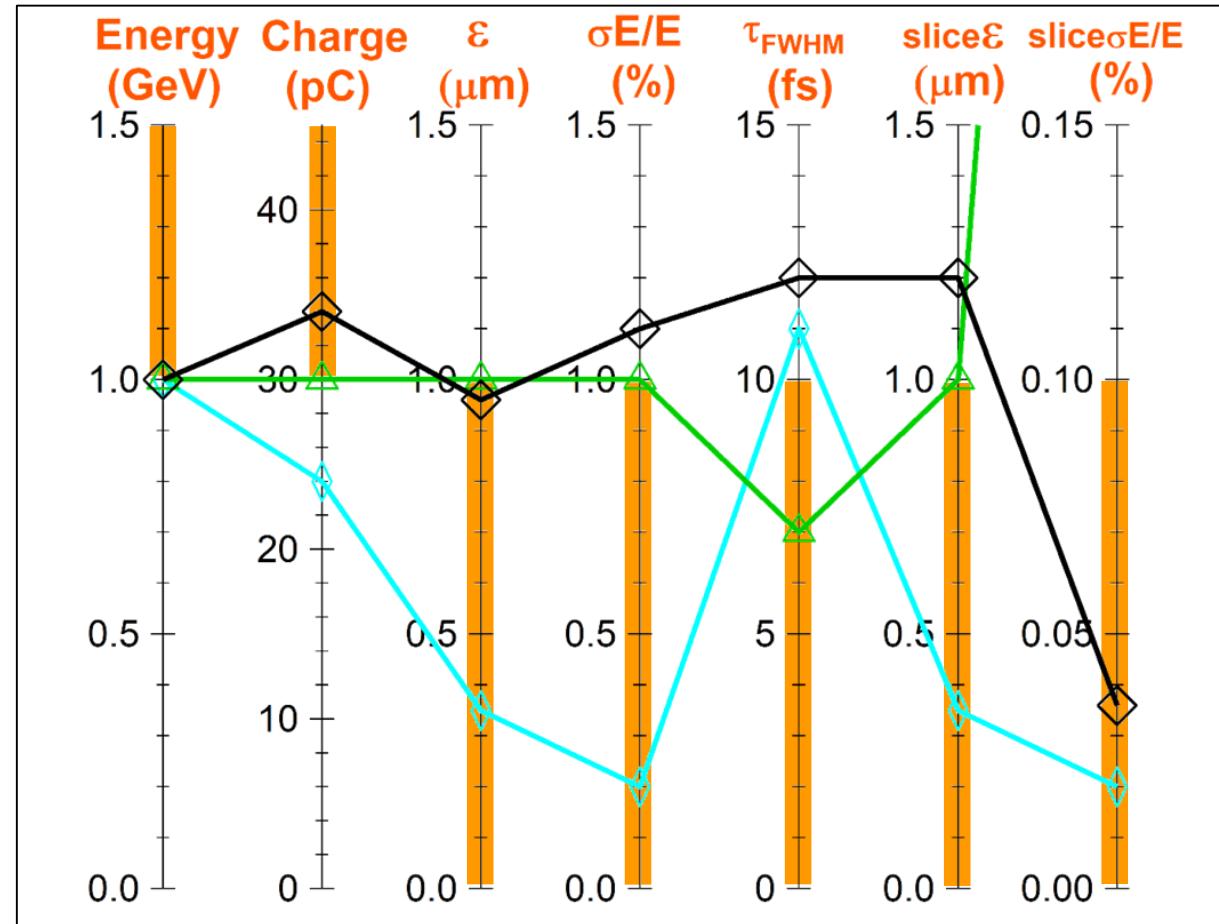


Beam parameters obtained at 1 GeV

Configurations closest to requirements

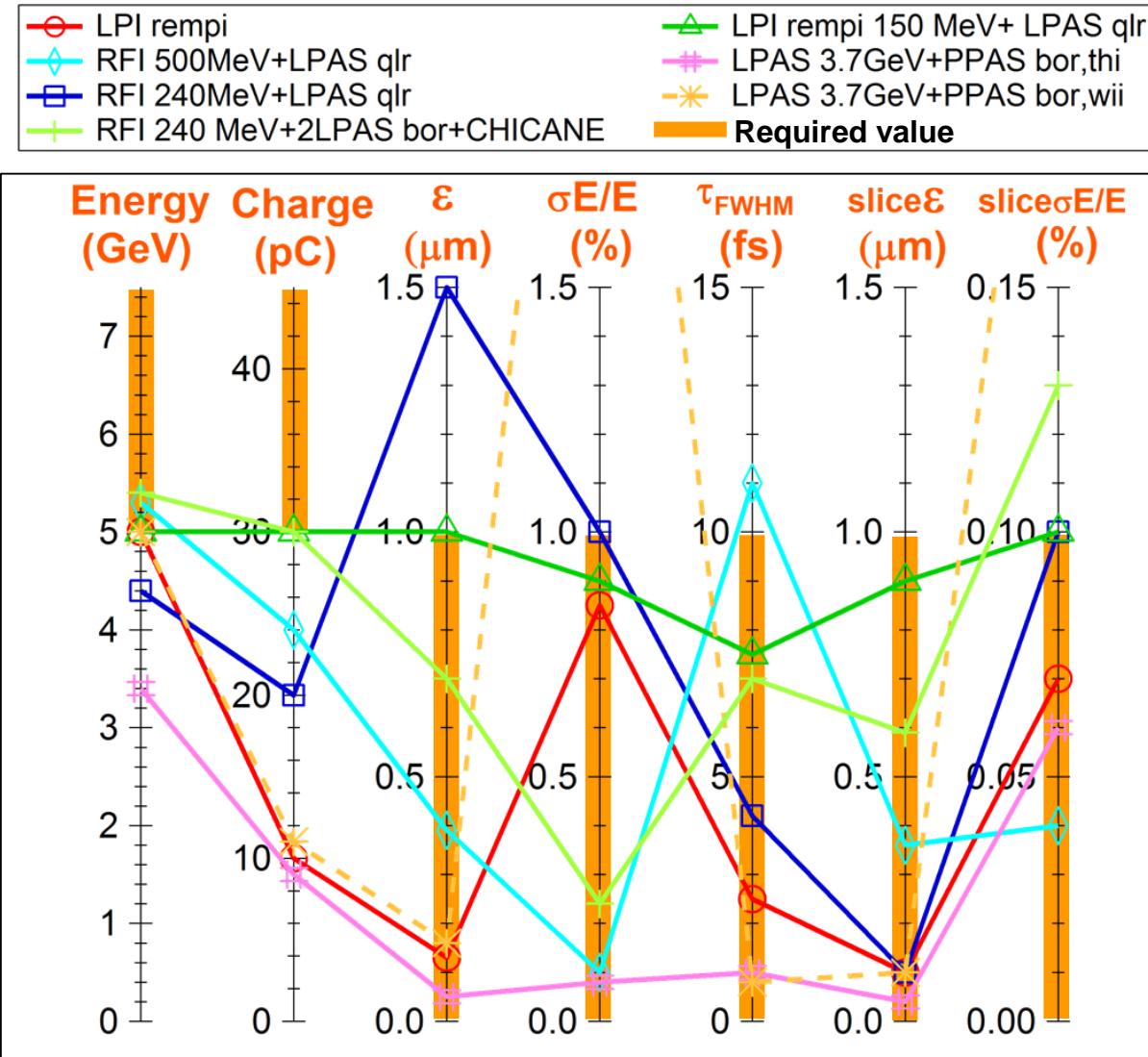
Selected for start-to-end simulation

- ◆ RFI 500MeV+PPAS wnlr
 - ◆ RFI 500MeV+LPAS qlr
 - ◆ LPI rempi 150MeV+LPAS qlr
- █ Required value

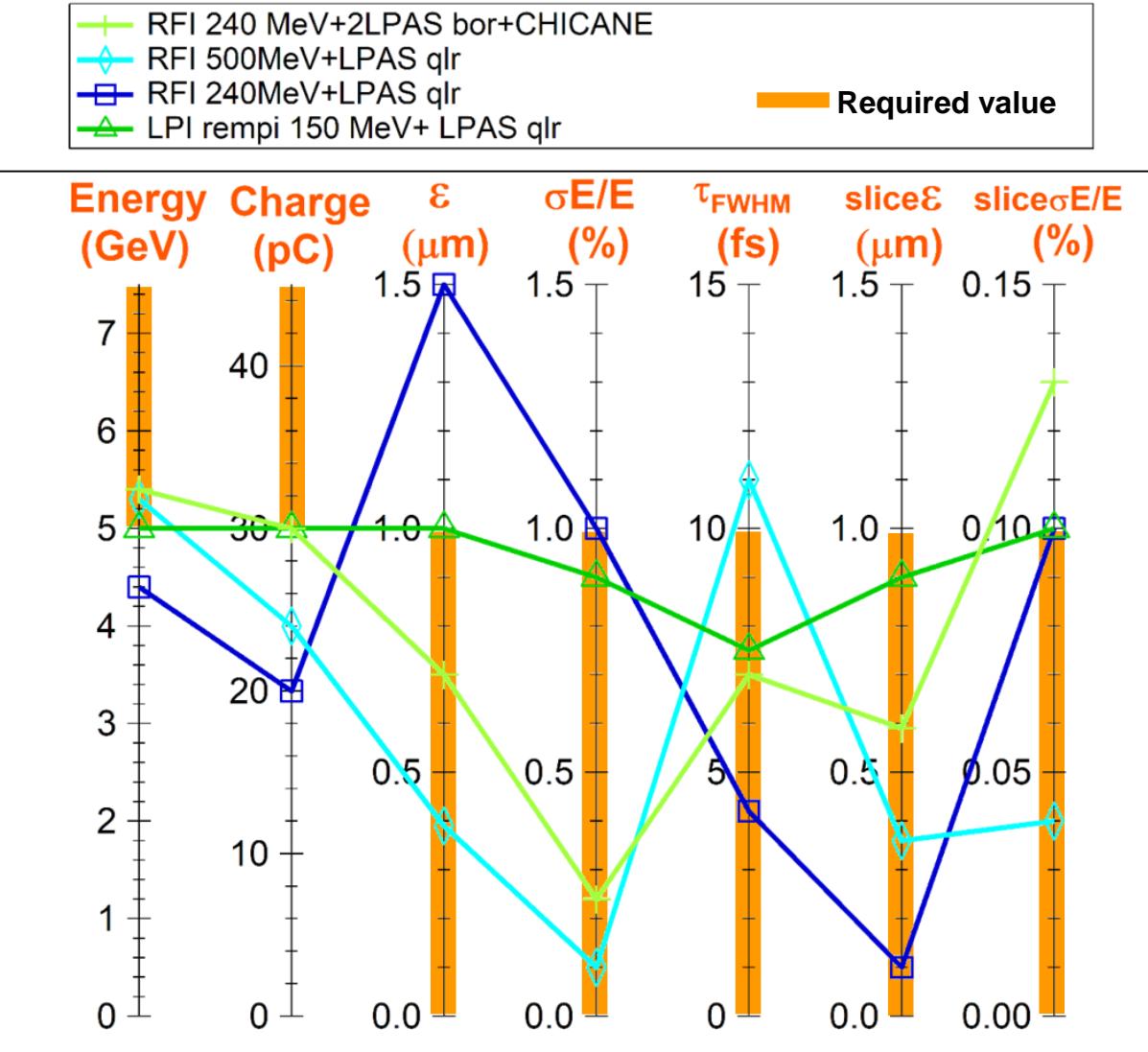


Beam parameters obtained at 5 GeV

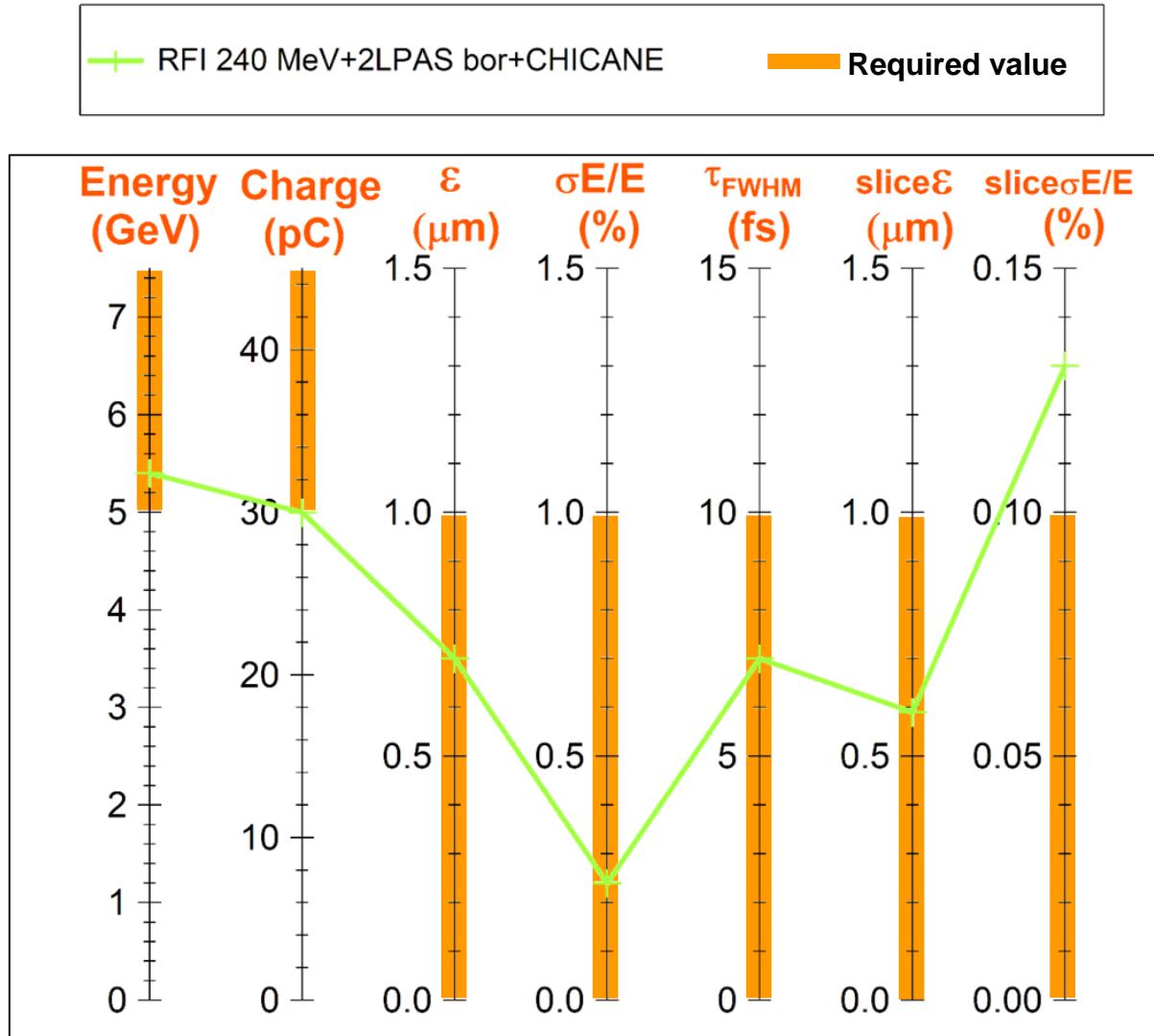
All the configurations



Configurations closest to the requirements



2-LPAS configuration selected for S2E



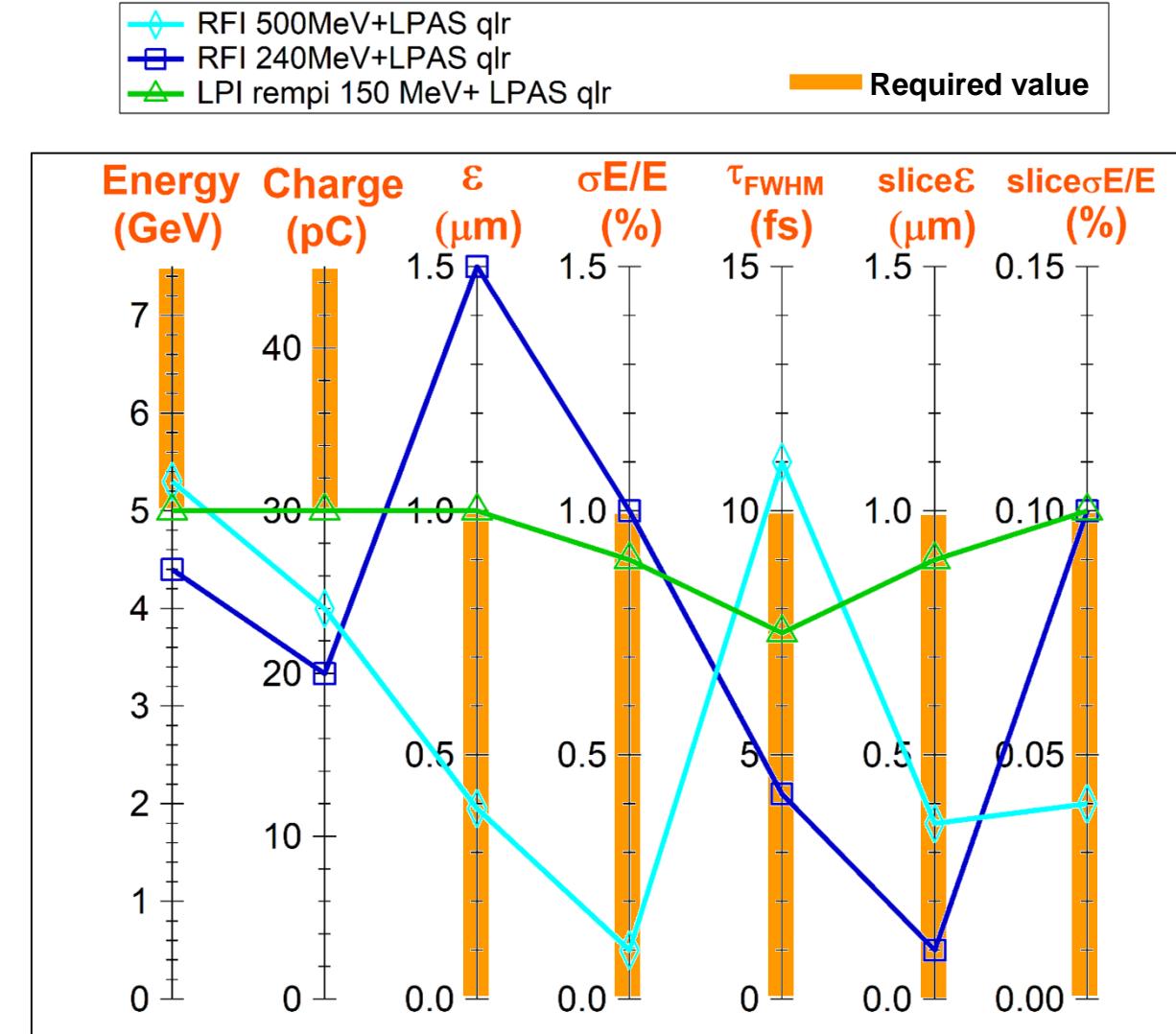
1-LPAS configurations closest to the requirements

Three experts
Three institutes

Three codes used:
 - Warp 3D
 - QFluid ~3D
 - FBPIC 3D

Three injectors:
 LPI 150 MeV
 RFI 240 MeV
 RFI 540 MeV

Quasi linear regime
 Close plasma,
 laser parameters
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 Close results

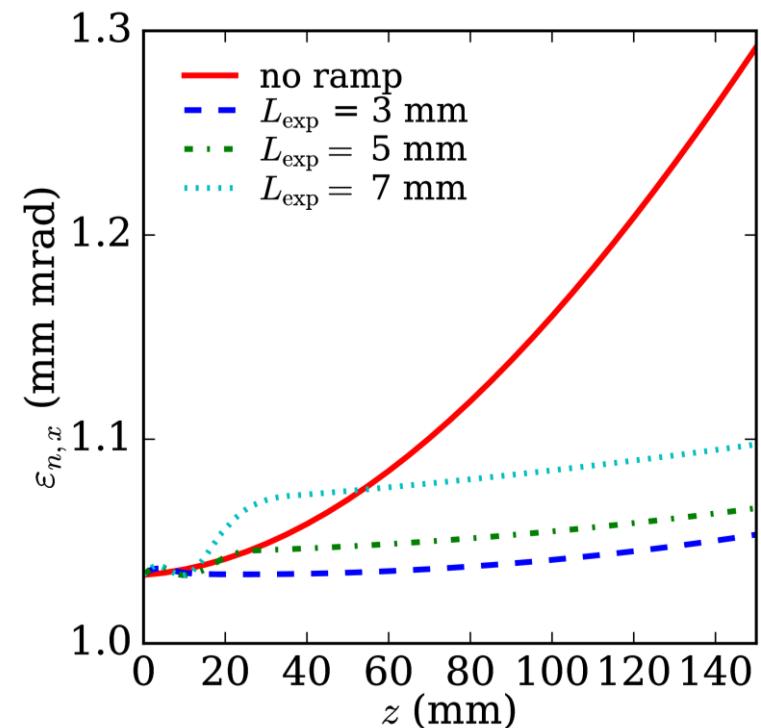
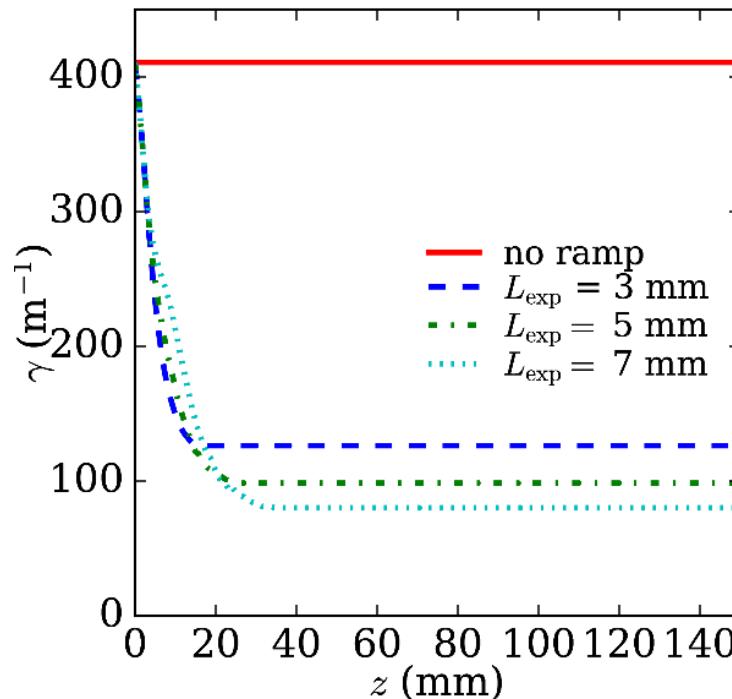


Quasilinear regime with external injection: very robust !!!

To minimize emittance growth, it is imperative to:

1

Tune the density ramp length, at entrance and exit (whatever its shape!)



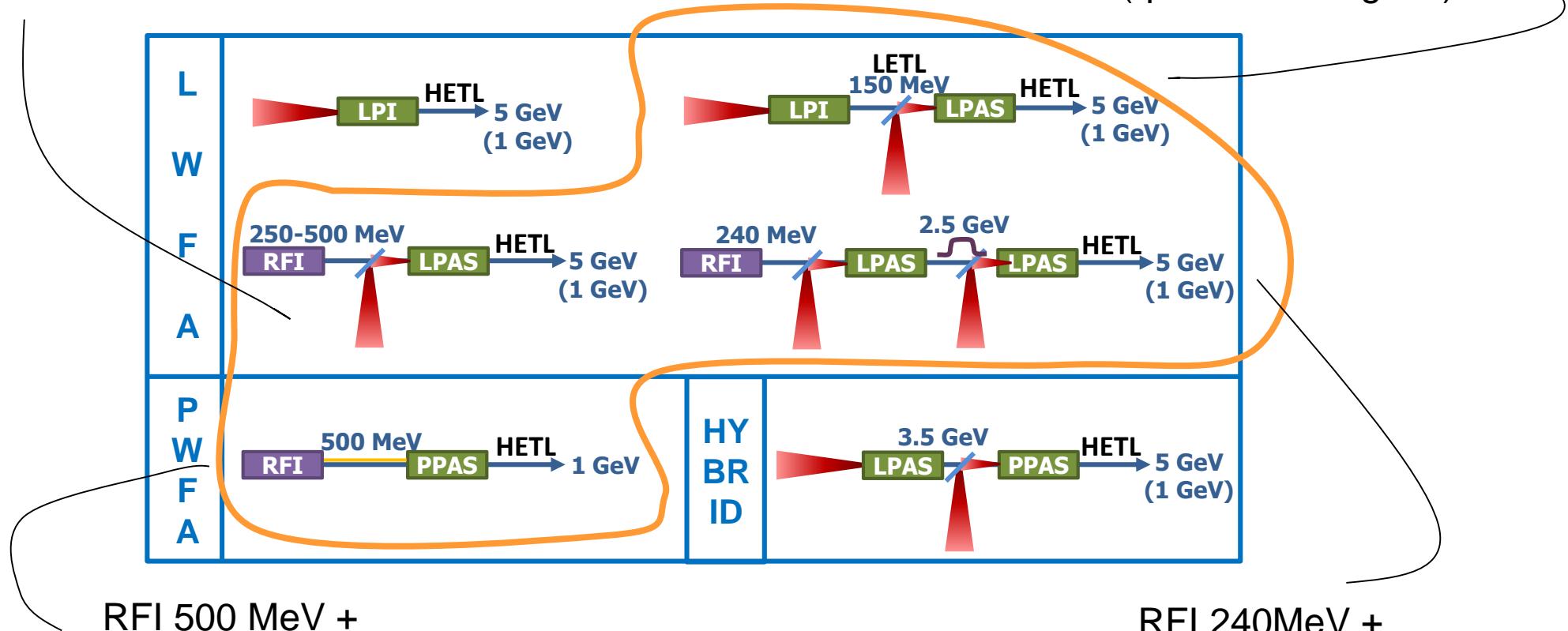
2

Design transport lines where
number of quadrupoles = number of constraints (6, no more!)

LETL: 0.7 m, HETL: 4 m → 20% emittance growth throughout a plasma stage

RFI 250-500MeV +
LPAS (quasilinear regime)

LPI 150 MeV (REMPI) + LPAS
(quasilinear regime)



RFI 500 MeV +
PPAS (weakly-nonlinear regime)

RFI 240MeV +
2 LPAS (blow-out regime) +
CHICANE

**Decouple injection from acceleration: two stages!
and also in the injection stage itself again!**

Notice: a certain level of sophistication is necessary!!

"ReMPI"

Driving laser: decomposed in 4 subpulses, delay 160 fs
 120 TW, 4 J, $w_0 = 30 \mu\text{m}$ ($a_0 = 1$, $\tau_{\text{FWHM}} = 30 \text{ fs}$)

Ionizing laser: 3rd harmonic
 1.0 TW, 0.07 J, $w_0 = 3.8 \mu\text{m}$ ($a_0 = 0.53$, $\tau_{\text{FWHM}} = 45 \text{ fs}$)

Symmetrization laser: 3rd harmonic, delay 40 fs
 0.7 TW, 0.02 J, $w_0 = 11 \mu\text{m}$ ($a_0 = 0.14$, $\tau_{\text{FWHM}} = 25 \text{ fs}$)

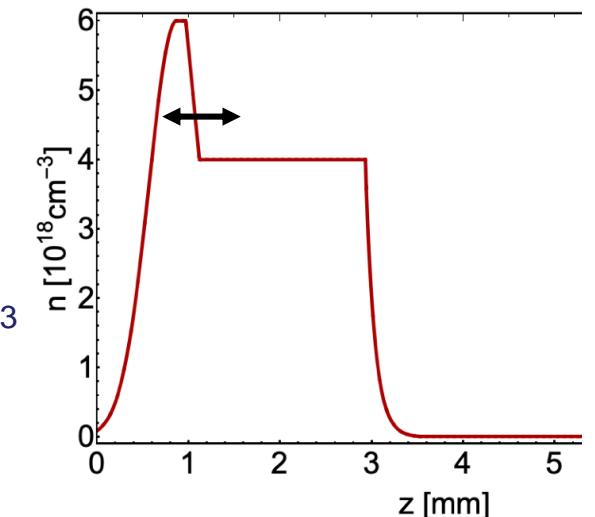
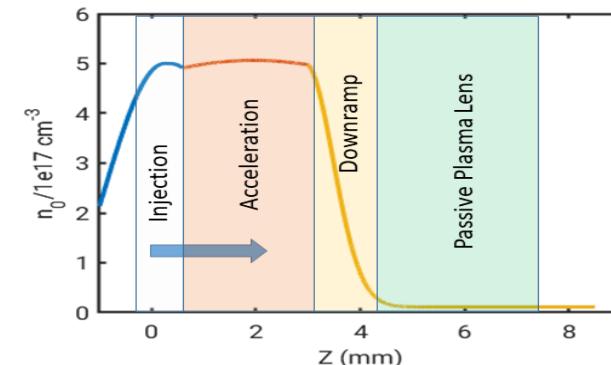
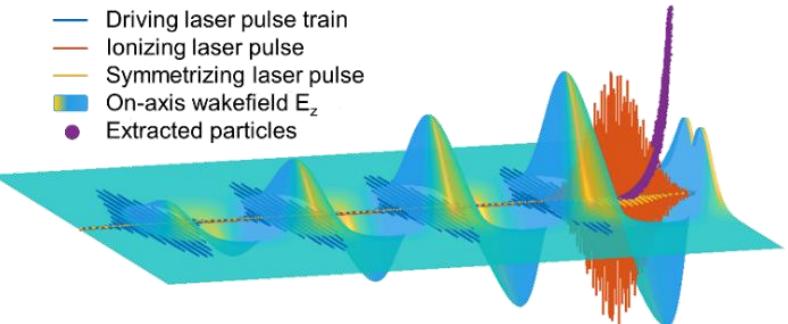
Plasma: radially uniform, length 3.5 mm + 1 mm ramp
 N preionized up to 5^+ , density $n_0 = 5 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 + 3 mm passive plasma lens, $n_0 = 1.4 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

OR ELSE

"Downramp Injection"

Laser: 35 TW, 1.05 J, $w_0 = 18 \mu\text{m}$ ($a_0 = 1.8$, $\tau_{\text{FWHM}} = 30 \text{ fs}$)
 $(a_0$ will be $\times 2$ by self focusing)

Plasma: radially uniform, ~3.5 mm long
 ~1 mm upramp, ~0.1 mm plateau at $n_0 = 6 \cdot 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 ~0.15 mm downramp, 1.8 mm accelerating plateau at $n_0 = 4 \cdot 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 Exit ramp exponential $L_{\text{exp}} = 0.1 \text{ mm}$
 + passive plasma lens ~4mm at $n_0 = 1 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$



1 GeV

Laser: $P = 200 \text{ TW}$, $E = 30 \text{ J}$, $w_0 = 30 \mu\text{m}$ ($a_0 = 2.57$, $\tau_{\text{FWHM}} = 141 \text{ fs}$)
Bi gaussian

Plasma: parabolic in r , $\Delta n/n_c = 1$ to 0.6
ununiform in z , 5 to 7 cm long, $n_0 = 1$ to $2 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
entrance and exit ramps $\sim 2 \text{ cm}$

5 GeV

Laser: $P = 400 \text{ TW}$, $E = 60 \text{ J}$, $w_0 = 45 \mu\text{m}$ ($a_0 = 2.42$, $\tau_{\text{FWHM}} = 141 \text{ fs}$)
Bi gaussian

Plasma: parabolic in r , $\Delta n/n_c = 1$ to 0.3
ununiform in z , 30 to 50 cm long, $n_0 = 1$ to $2 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
entrance and exit ramps $\sim 2 \text{ cm}$

Tremendous simulations and optimizations have been performed by many contributors

- Many results obtained on different injection/acceleration schemes and techniques
- First down selection performed for S2E simulations
- Issues of emittance growth addressed and solved
- Thorough S2E simulations done
- Beam parameters at user's doorstep very close to all the requirements

A certain level of sophistication is necessary

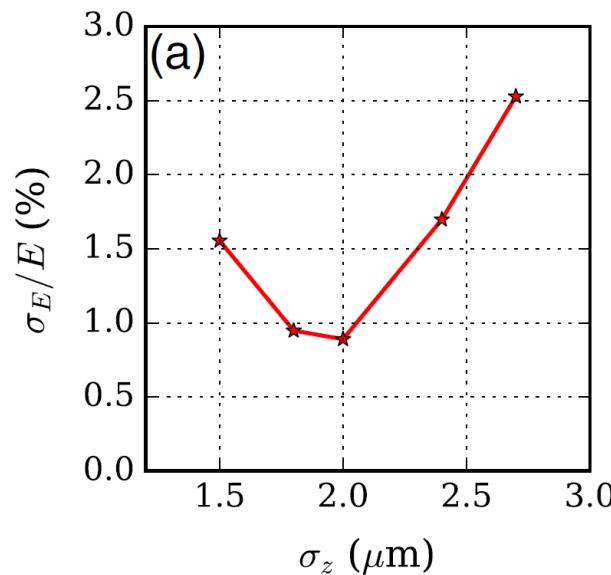
Solutions do exist, at least one is robust

Other schemes or techniques remain promising
Further progress is still possible

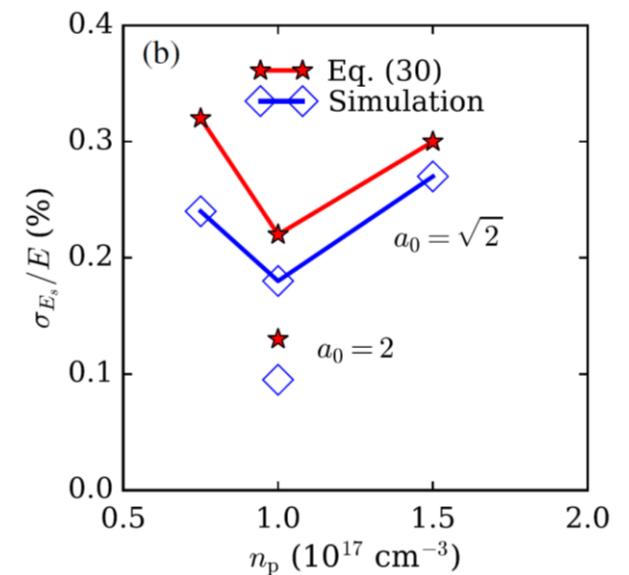
Next step: Errors and Tolerances studies

RESERVE

In the presence of significant beam loading



**Optimizing energy spread
by optimizing the beam length**



**Optimizing slice energy spread
by optimizing jointly
the plasma density
and the laser strength**