

Dielectric Laser Acceleration



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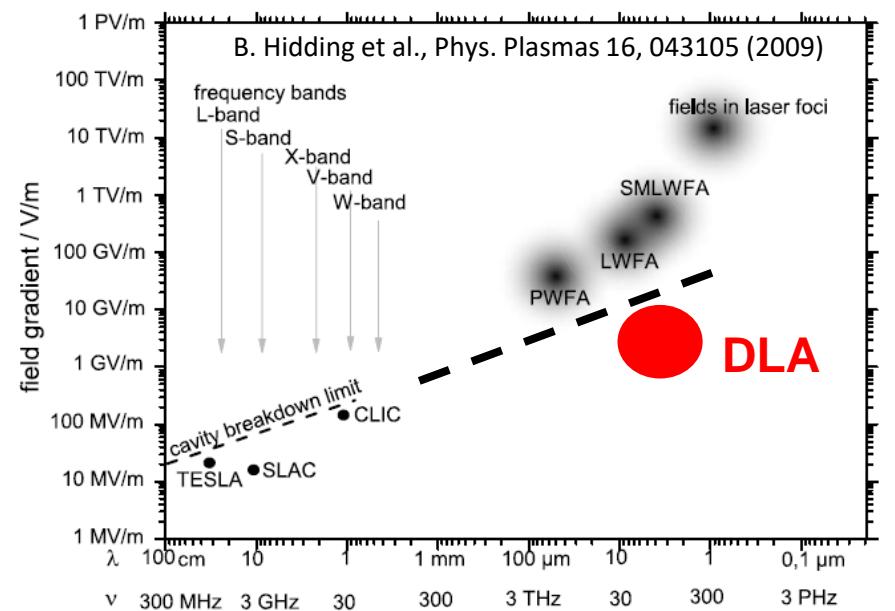
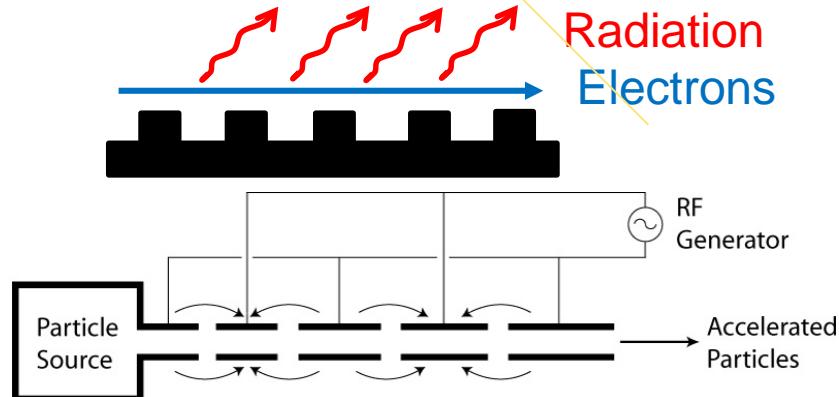
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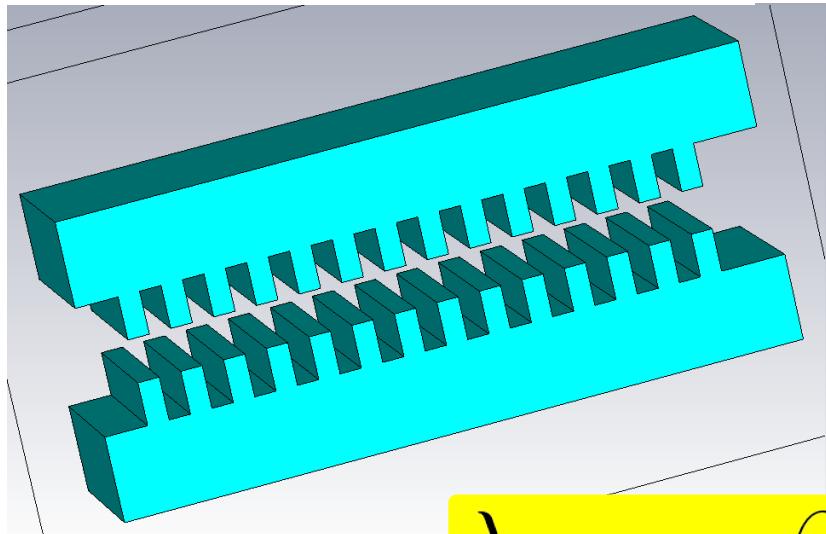
- Accelerator research
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 - Radiation generation
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Dielectric Laser Accelerator (DLA) principle

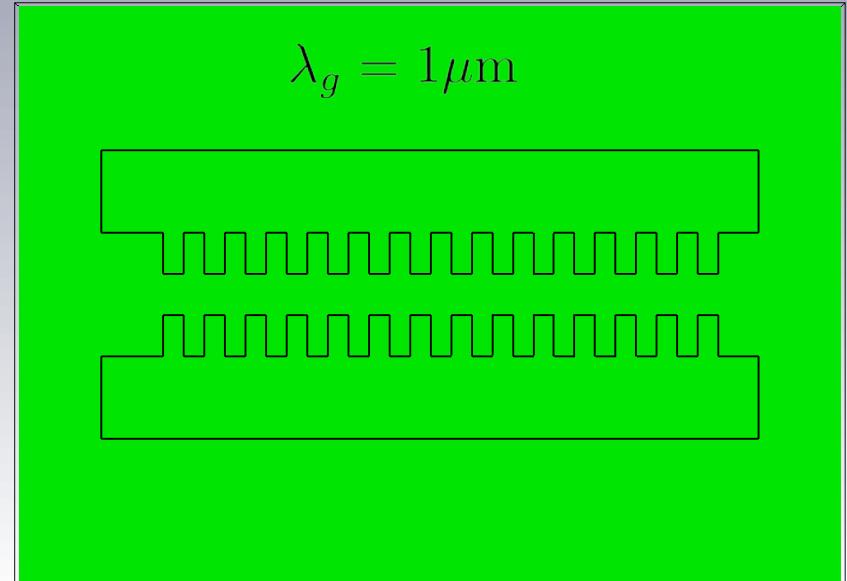
- Old idea but new techniques!
→ **Inverse** effects
 - Smith-Purcell (grating radiation)
 - Cherenkov (electrons superluminal in material)
- Recent **technological improvements**:
 - High efficiency, high power lasers
 - micro-fabrication
- Same principle as **Wideroe-Linac** (Non- resonant)
- **Dielectrics** can withstand fields up to **10GV/m**
→ Current gradient record **840MeV/m**



Side coupled DLA structures



$$\lambda_g = n\beta\lambda_0$$



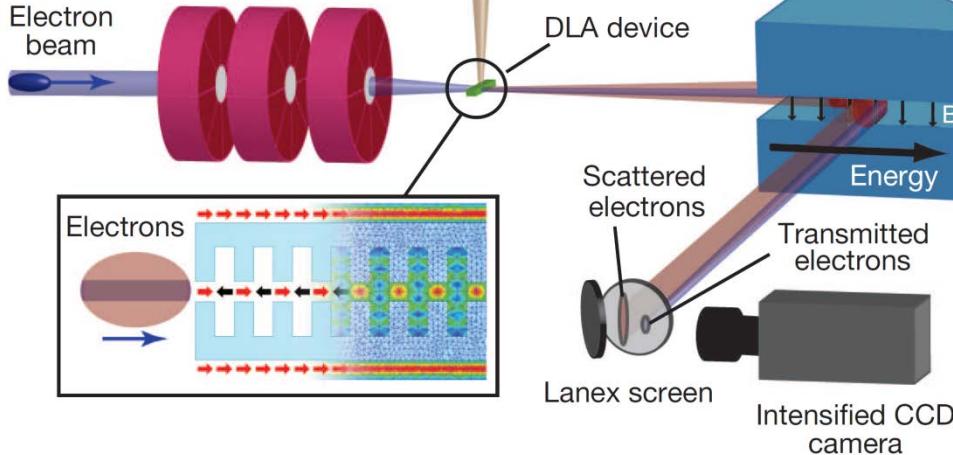
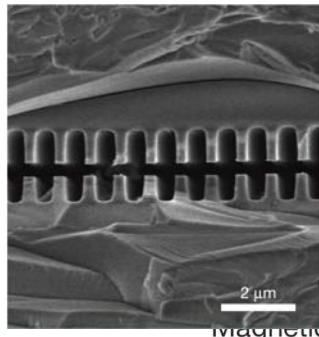
- Laser needs to be **synchronized** with **electron velocity** and **grating period** for *cummulative* interaction! (Wideroe condition)
- Only the evanescent **near-field** contributes to acceleration!

Initial Experiments (1)

→ Relativistic e-beams

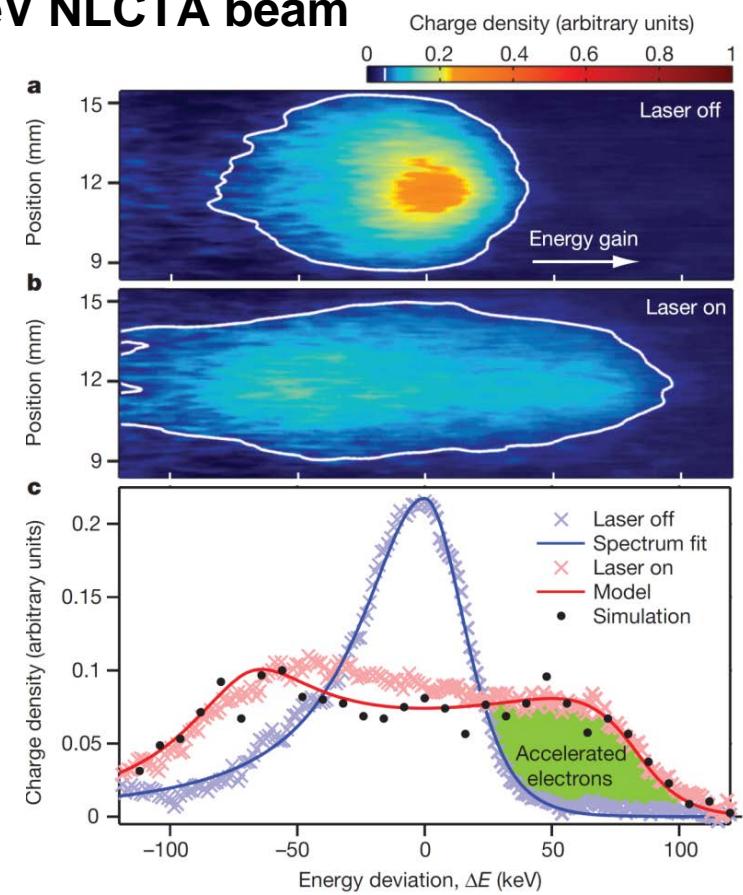


- Record gradients at (Stanford/SLAC), 60 MeV NLCTA beam



E. Peralta et al. *Nature* 2013 → 300 MeV/m

K. Wooton et al.: increased to **690 MeV/m**
(Optics Letters 2016)



UCLA (submitted): 1.8 GeV/m with 8MeV beam, 1MeV energy gain expected soon

Initial Experiments (2)

→ Sub-relativistic e-beams



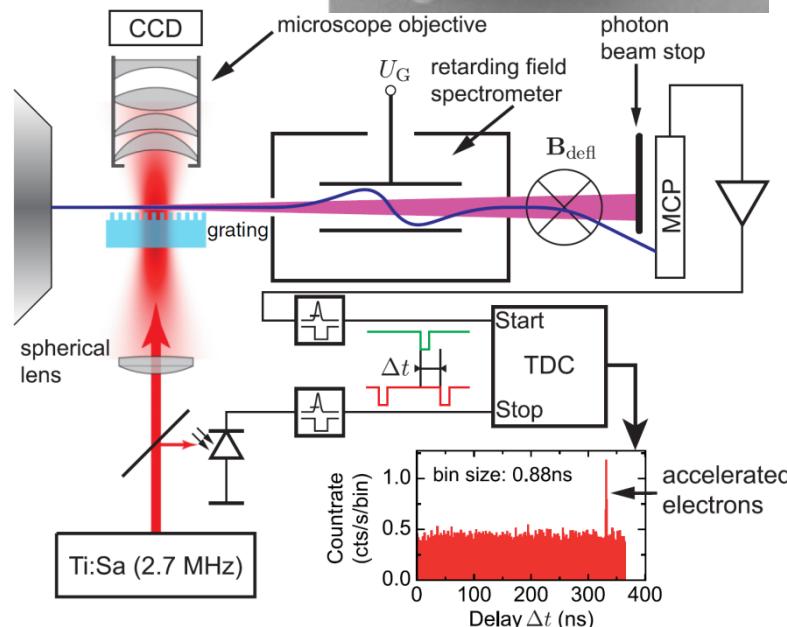
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FAU Erlangen:

28 keV electrons
($v/c=0.32$)

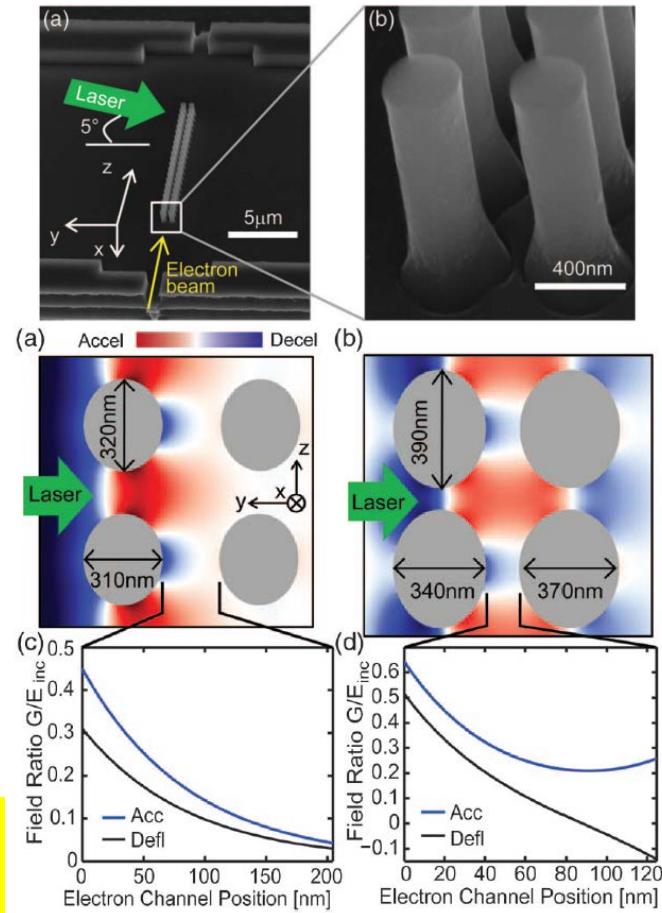
25 MeV/m gradient
Single grating

Breuer et. al.
PRL 2013



Inherent problem: **dephasing** due to velocity increase
Solution: **chirped grating**

Stanford: 370MeV/m @ ~90keV
K.Leedle et al. Optics Letters, 2015



Accelerator on a Chip intl. Program (ACHIP) - funded by Moore Foundation



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“Small really is beautiful”,
the economist, 2013



“Make a chip that provides relativistic electrons”



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Most of our momentum comes from the Moore Foundation grant...



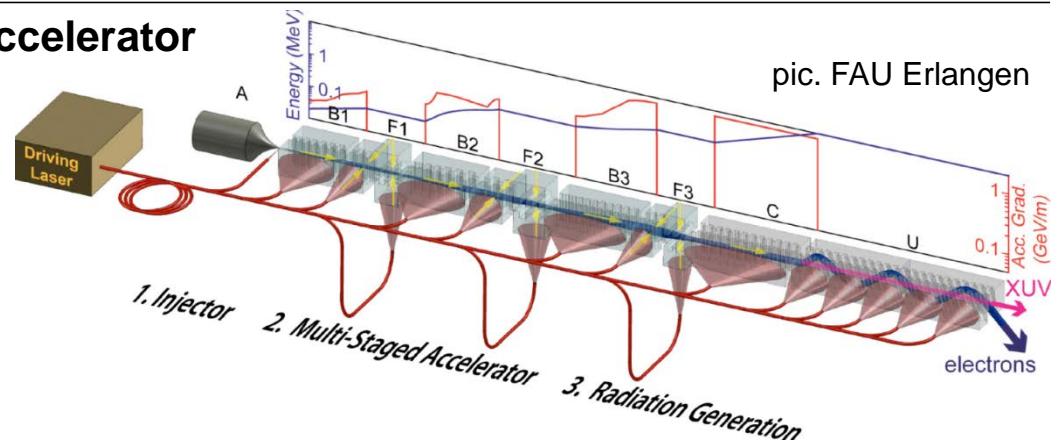
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...to work towards our dream laser accelerator

Working groups:

- Injectors
 - Electron sources
 - Sub-relativistic DLA
- Relativistic Acceleration
 - Large scale integration (Accelerator Labs)
- Lasers and Laser Coupling
- Simulations and Beam Dynamics
- Radiation Generation and Applications
- Integration (fit everything in a shoe-box)

...grant expires in 2020

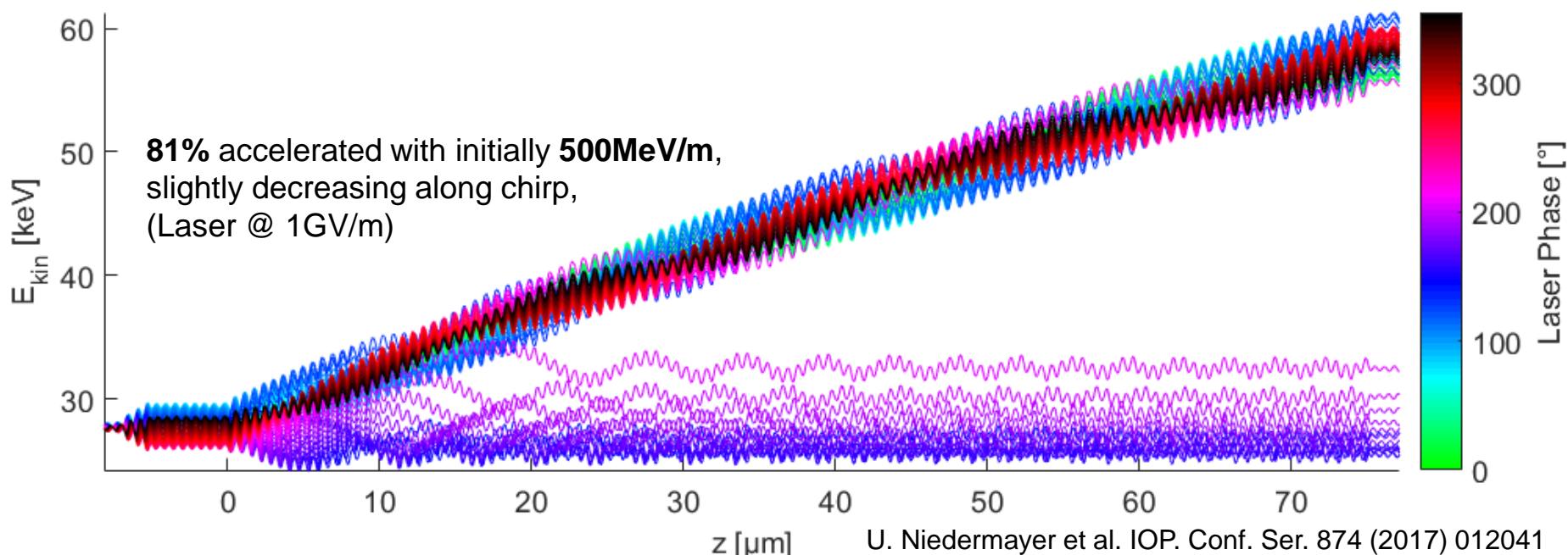
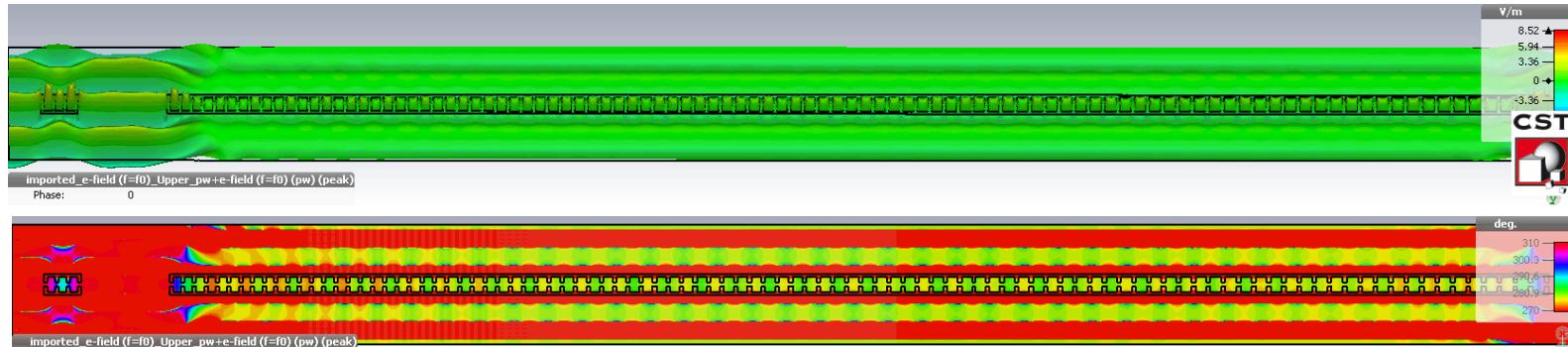


pic. FAU Erlangen



- BMBF funding for TUDa and FAU → Intensity effects and e-sources

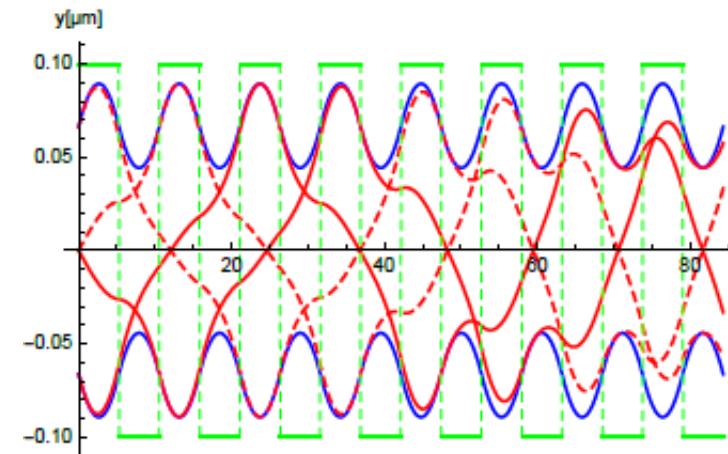
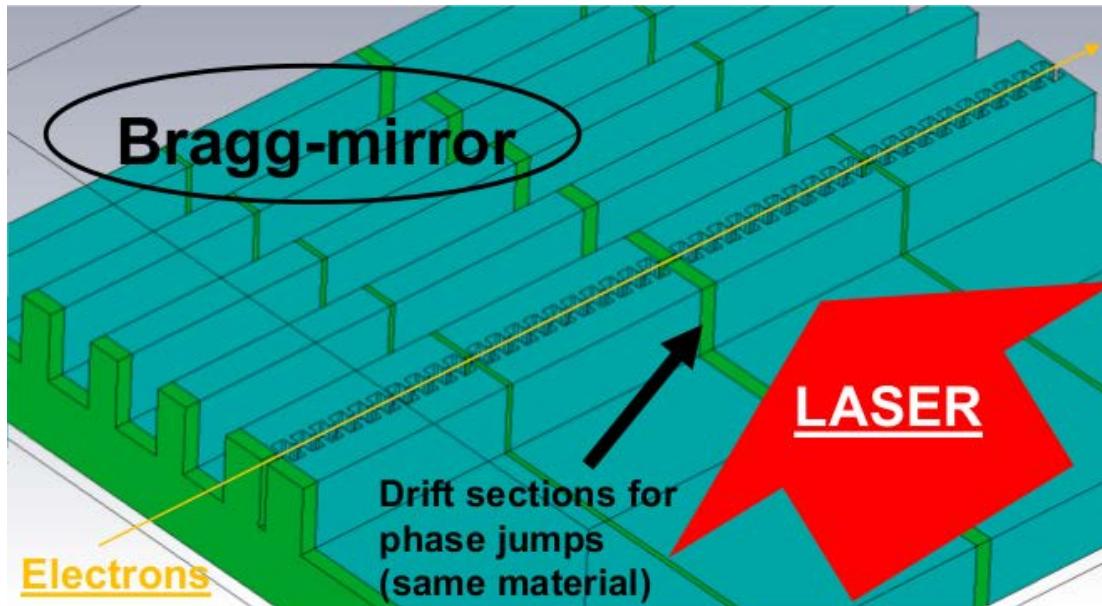
An Entire Accelerator on a Chip



Alternating Phase Focusing (APF) → Simplified modeling with DLAttrack6D



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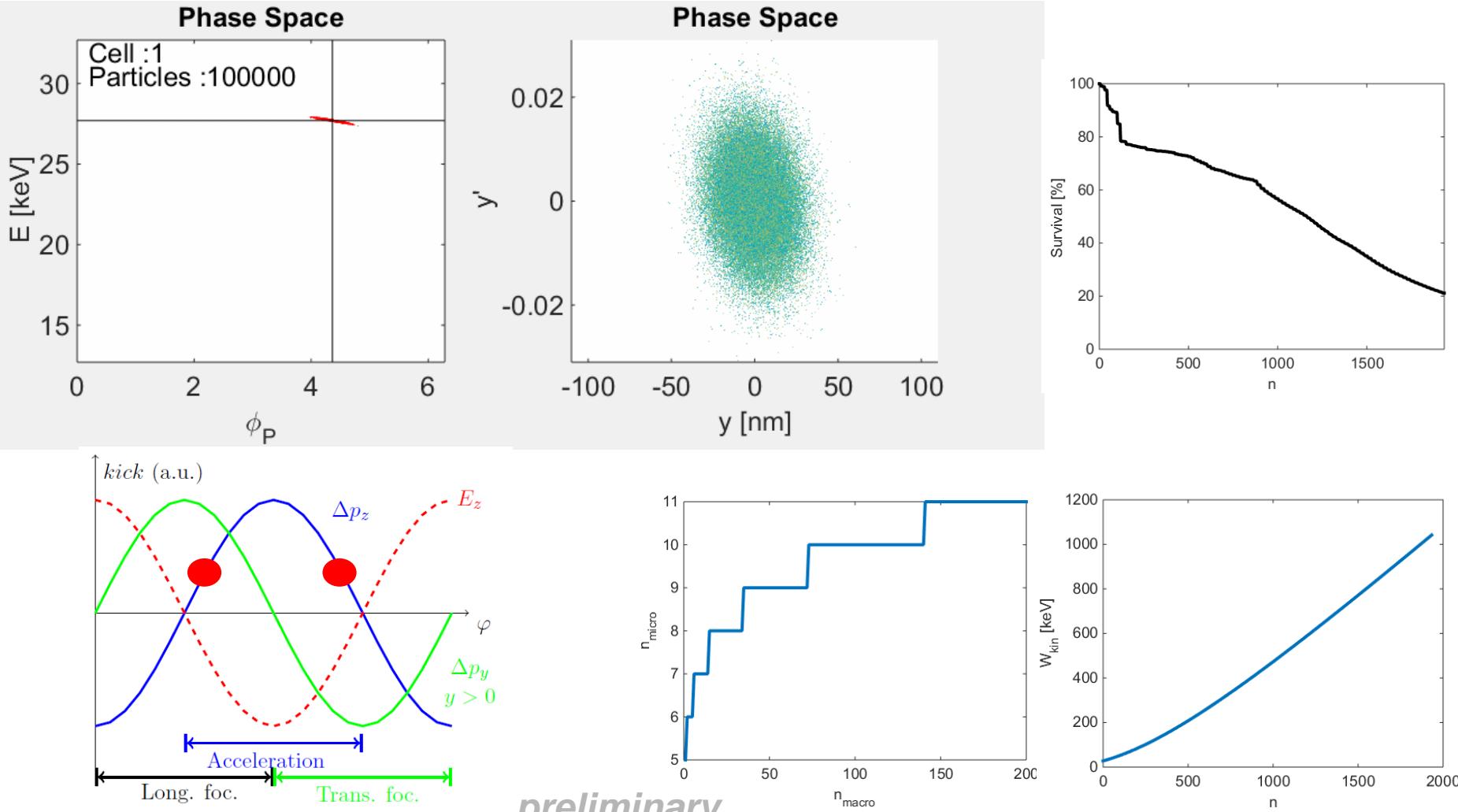
PRELIMINARY!

- U. Niedermayer et al. Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams **20**, 111302 (2017)
- One kick per grating cell by single cplx number (**numerically lightweight**)
- Transverse kick by Panofsky-Wenzel theorem
- **Symplectic code**
- Can be applied to laterally coupled structures
- Can be applied to longitudinally coupled structures (a bit tricky)

Acceleration up to 1 MeV (ACHIP goal) →DLAtrack6D simulation



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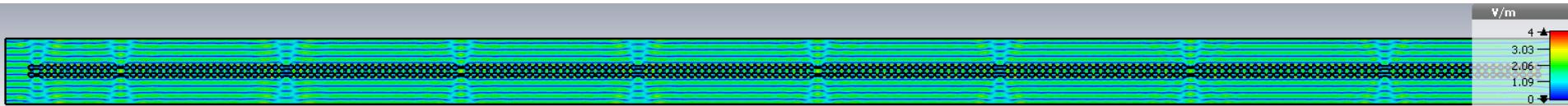
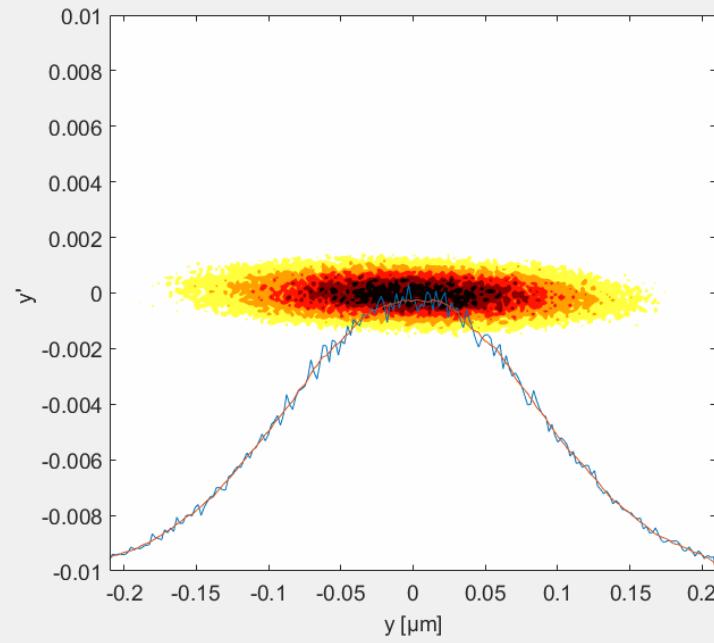
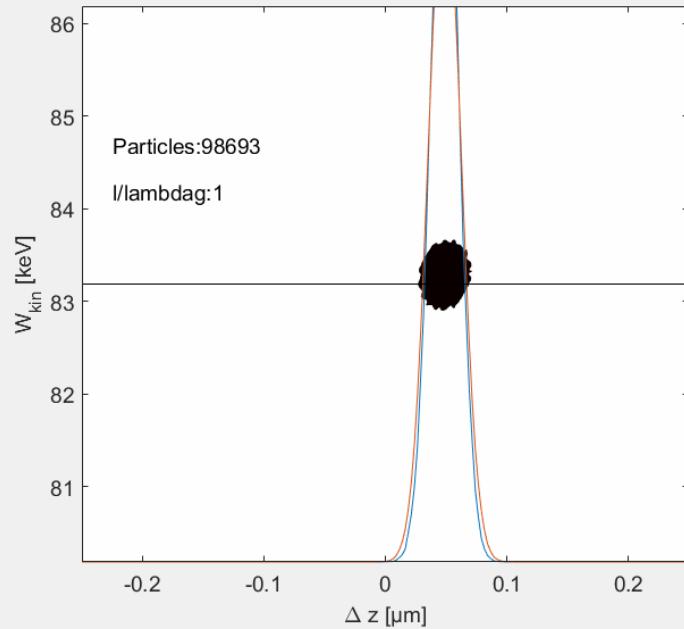


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Phase Space animation from full CST simulation



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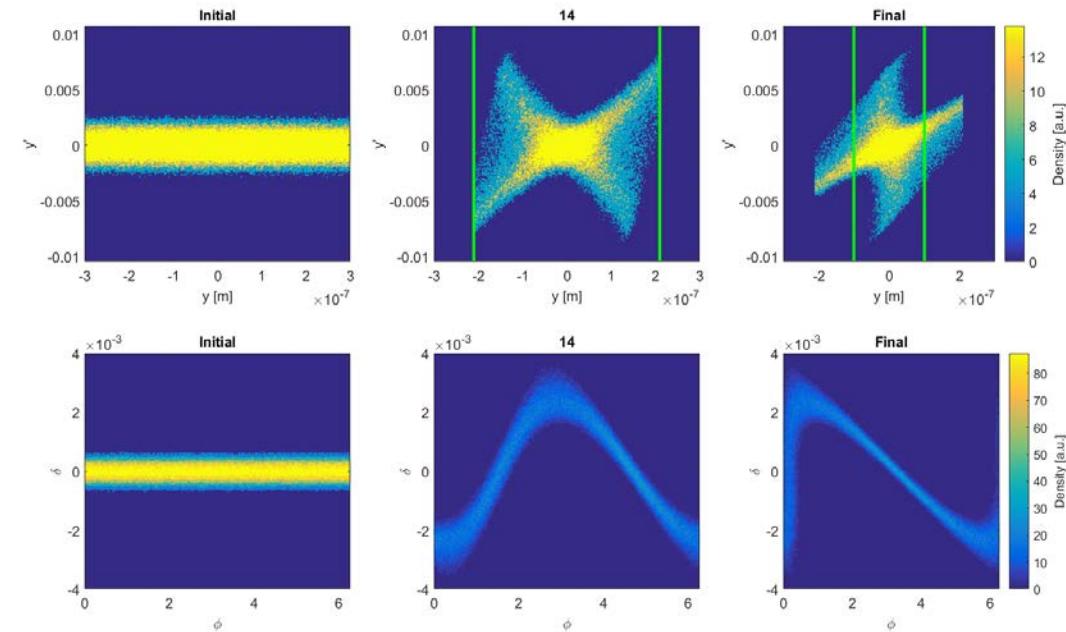
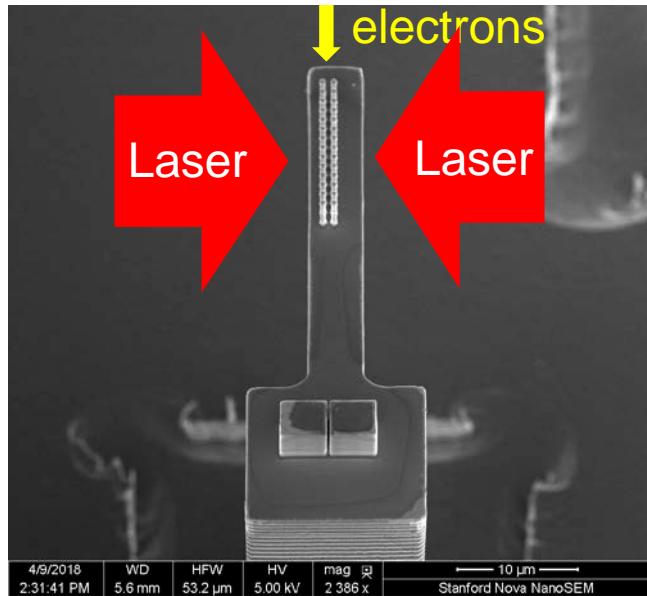
Acceleration from 83keV to 112keV

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First focusing experiments ongoing at Stanford and Erlangen



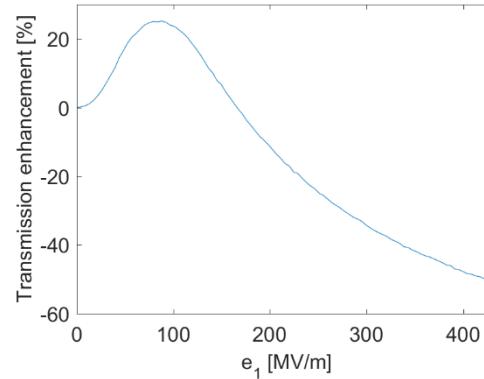
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Dylan Black,
Stanford



Data is being taken
at the moment



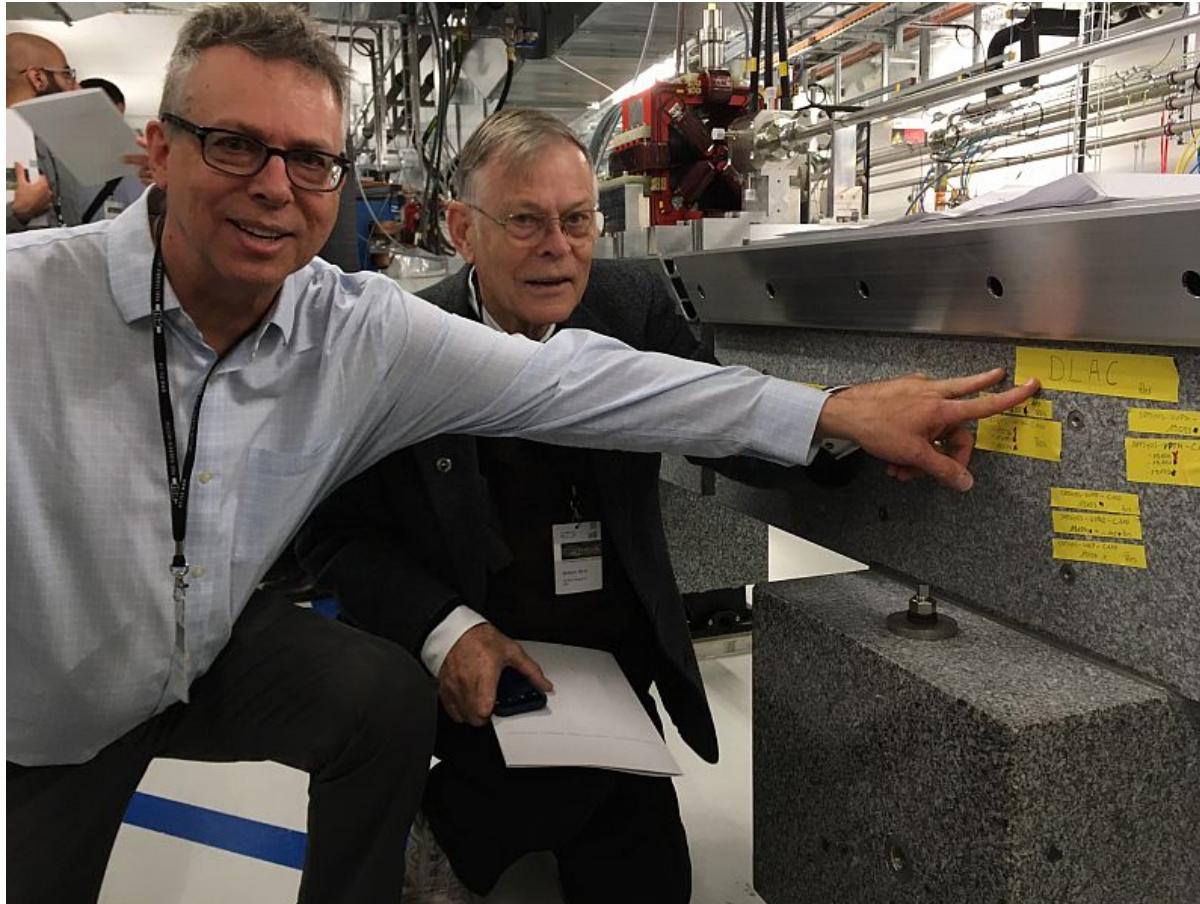
U. Niedermayer
DLAtrack6D
simulation

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Two experimental chambers outlined at SwissFEL



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Highly relativistic
electrons!

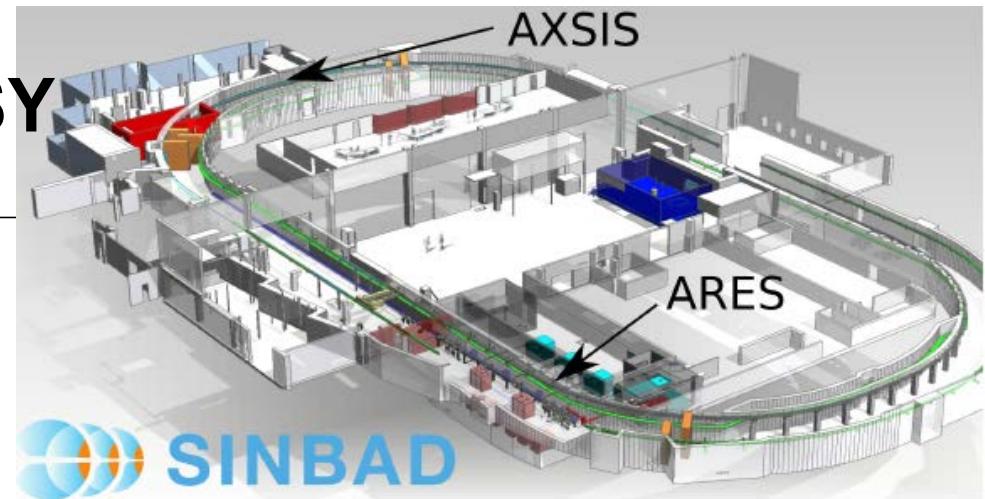
300 MeV already
operational
→ wake fields
→ structure irradiation

3GeV with
2μm, 500μJ laser
supply outlined for
end of 2018

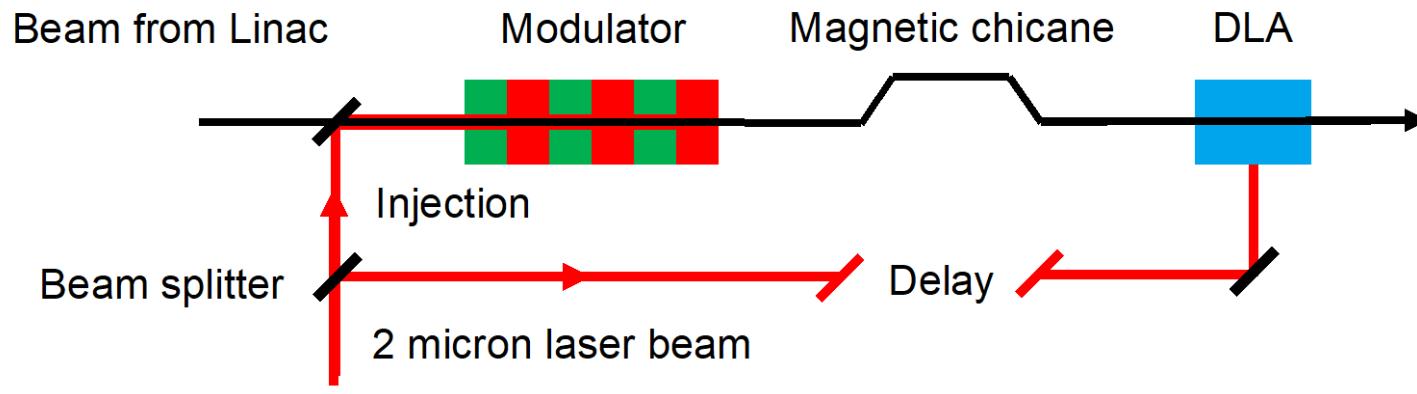
E. Prat et al. Outline of a dielectric laser acceleration experiment at SwissFEL, NIM A 2017

DLA @ SINBAD @ DESY

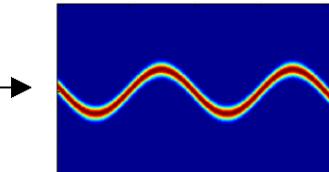
The ARES-linac [8] is a S-band (2.998 GHz) linac which accelerates electron bunches to 100 MeV while compressing them to fs-length. These ultrashort bunches can then subsequently be used for experiments.



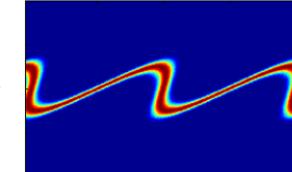
U. Dorda et al. arXiv1801.02825



*Longitudinal
phase space*



Energy modulation



Density modulation

F. Mayet, et al., Simulations and plans for possible DLA experiments at SINBAD, NIM-A (2018)

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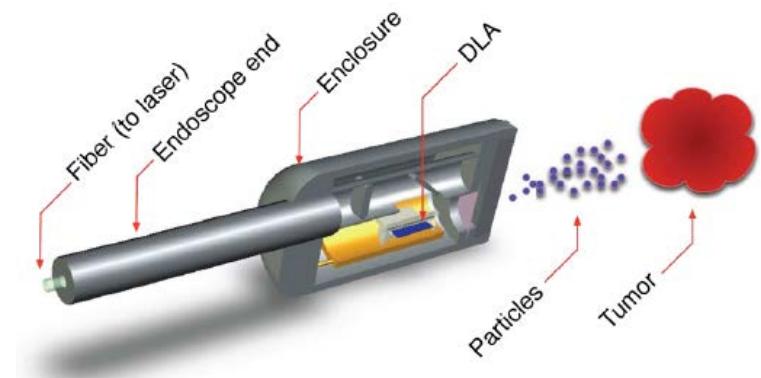
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Direct use of electron beams



- Accelerator endoscope

- Intraoperative electron beam radiation therapy (IOERT)
- Proximity radiation of tissue (minimally invasive “electron beam scalpel”?)
- Neuronal endplate treatment (Prof. Warren Grundfest, UCLA)
- New high dose rate radiation effects to be expected?



R. J. England et al., Rev. Mod. Phys. 86, 1337 (2014)

- Lab on chip

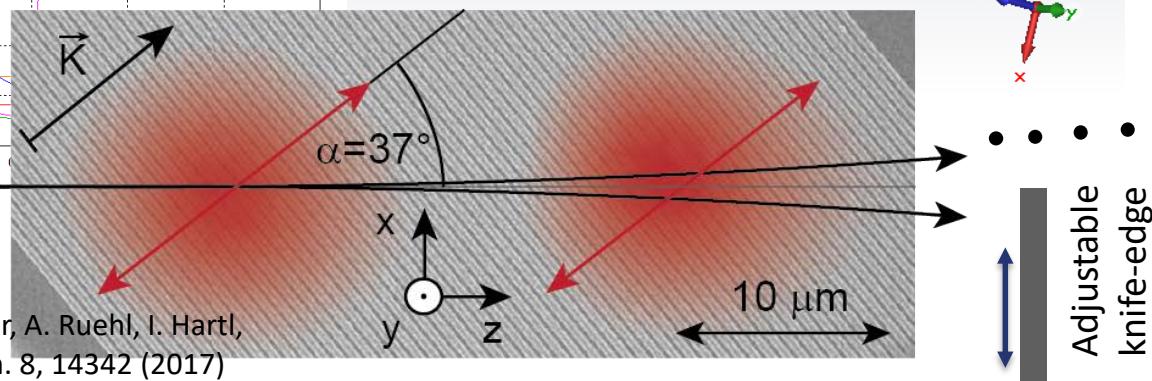
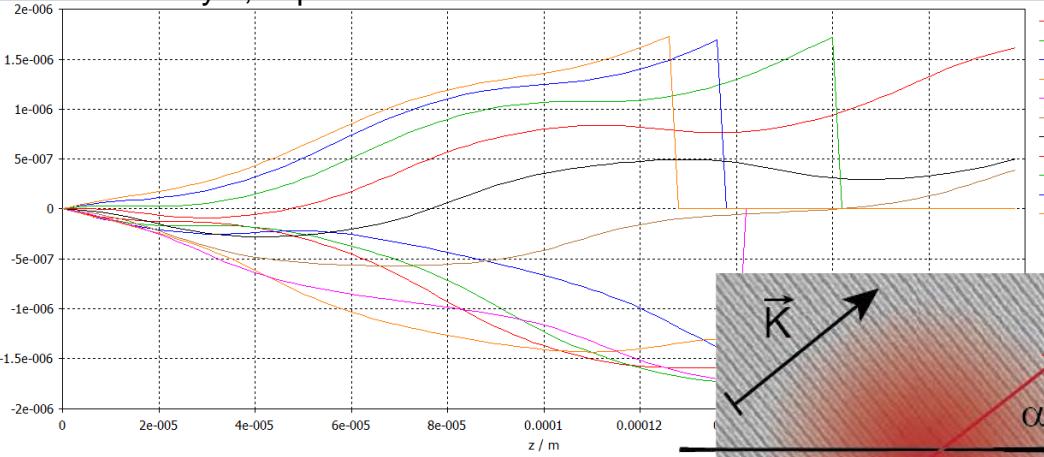
- Irradiation of cell samples or cell nuclei with high energy electrons

Transverse Forces: Tilted Gratings



Deflection depends on laser phase!
→ short bunches required!

U. Niedermayer, unpublished



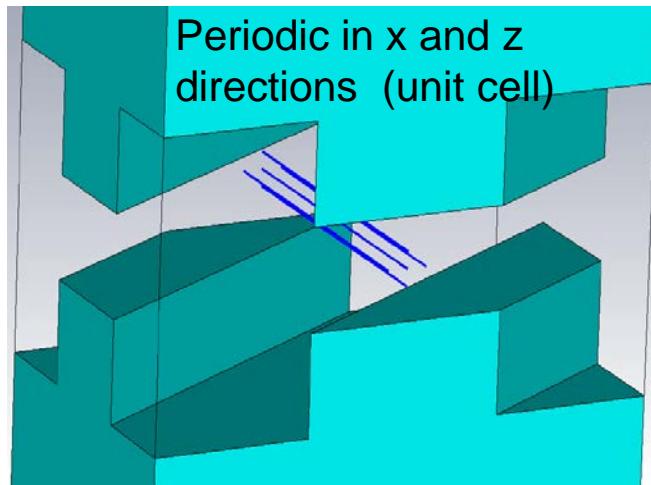
M. Kozak, J. McNeur, K. J. Leedle, N. Schoenenberger, A. Ruehl, I. Hartl,
J. S. Harris, R. L. Byer, P. Hommelhoff, Nature Comm. 8, 14342 (2017)

Radiation generation by tilted DLA gratings

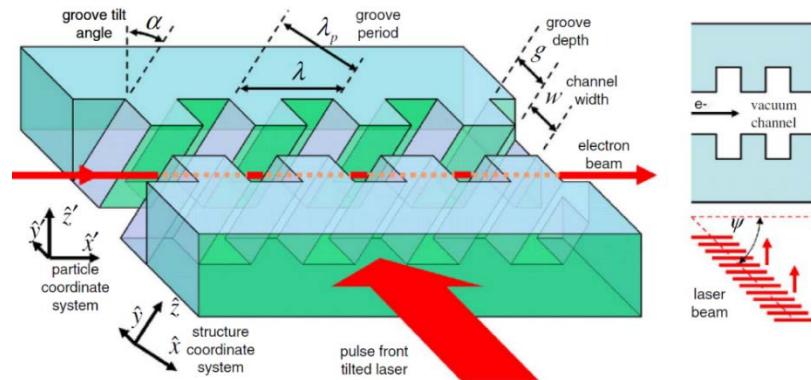


DLA based undulator:

$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma^2} (1 + \frac{1}{2}K^2)$$



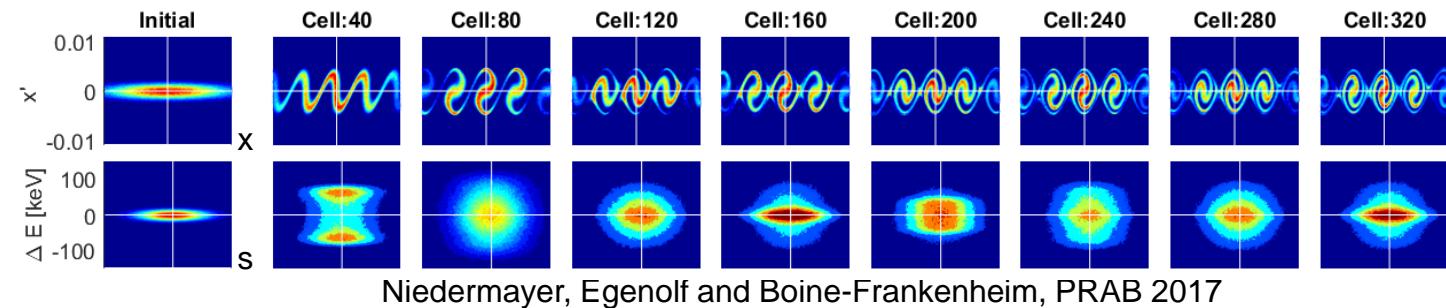
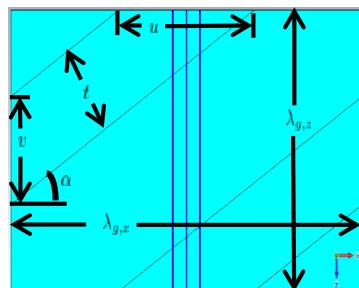
Periodic in x and z directions (unit cell)



Plettner and Byer, PRSTAB 2008

Plettner and Byer, NIM A 2008

Plettner, Byer, McGuinness and Hommelhoff, PRSTAB 2009



Outlook: Lienard-Wichert or PIC based radiation computation

Outlook for the grant period 2019-2022



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- Generation of radiation
 - Explore properties and compare to other sources
- Show scalability of accelerator on chip
 - Simulations to evaluate effects of nonlinearities
 - Collective effects (towards higher intensities)
 - Energy efficiency (pulse front tilt)
- Ultimate energy efficiency (traveling wave structures)
 - Towards a DLA collider
- Adapt DLA to customer needs
 - Compact X-ray source
 - Explore applications of high energy electrons on chip

The End



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- Thank you for your attention
- Any questions?

Old and new ideas



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Proposal for an Electron Accelerator Using an Optical Maser

Koichi Shimoda

1962

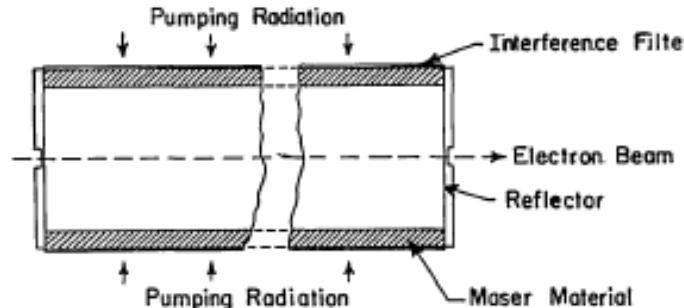
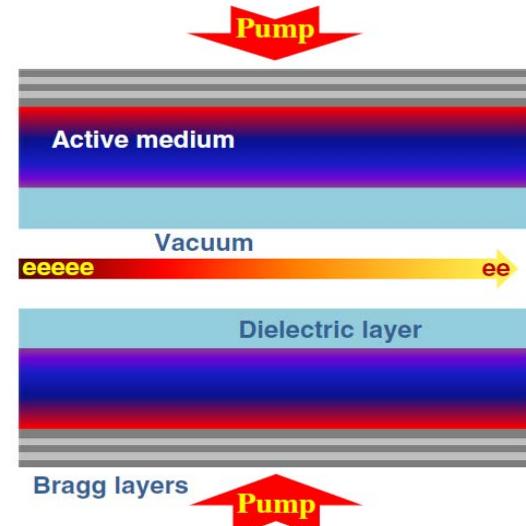


Fig. 1. Schematic diagram of an electron linear accelerator by optical maser.



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Particle acceleration in an active medium

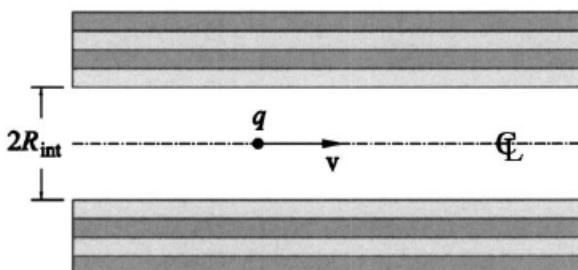
Levi Schächter
Department of Electrical Engineering, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa 32000, Israel

PHYSICAL REVIEW SPECIAL TOPICS—ACCELERATORS AND BEAMS 18, 071302 (2015)



Linear analysis of active-medium two-beam accelerator

Miron Voin and Levi Schächter*



PHYSICAL REVIEW E 70, 016505 (2004)

Optical Bragg accelerators

Amit Mizrahi and Levi Schächter
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