

The Ultra-Compact X-ray Free-electron Laser: Connections to C³

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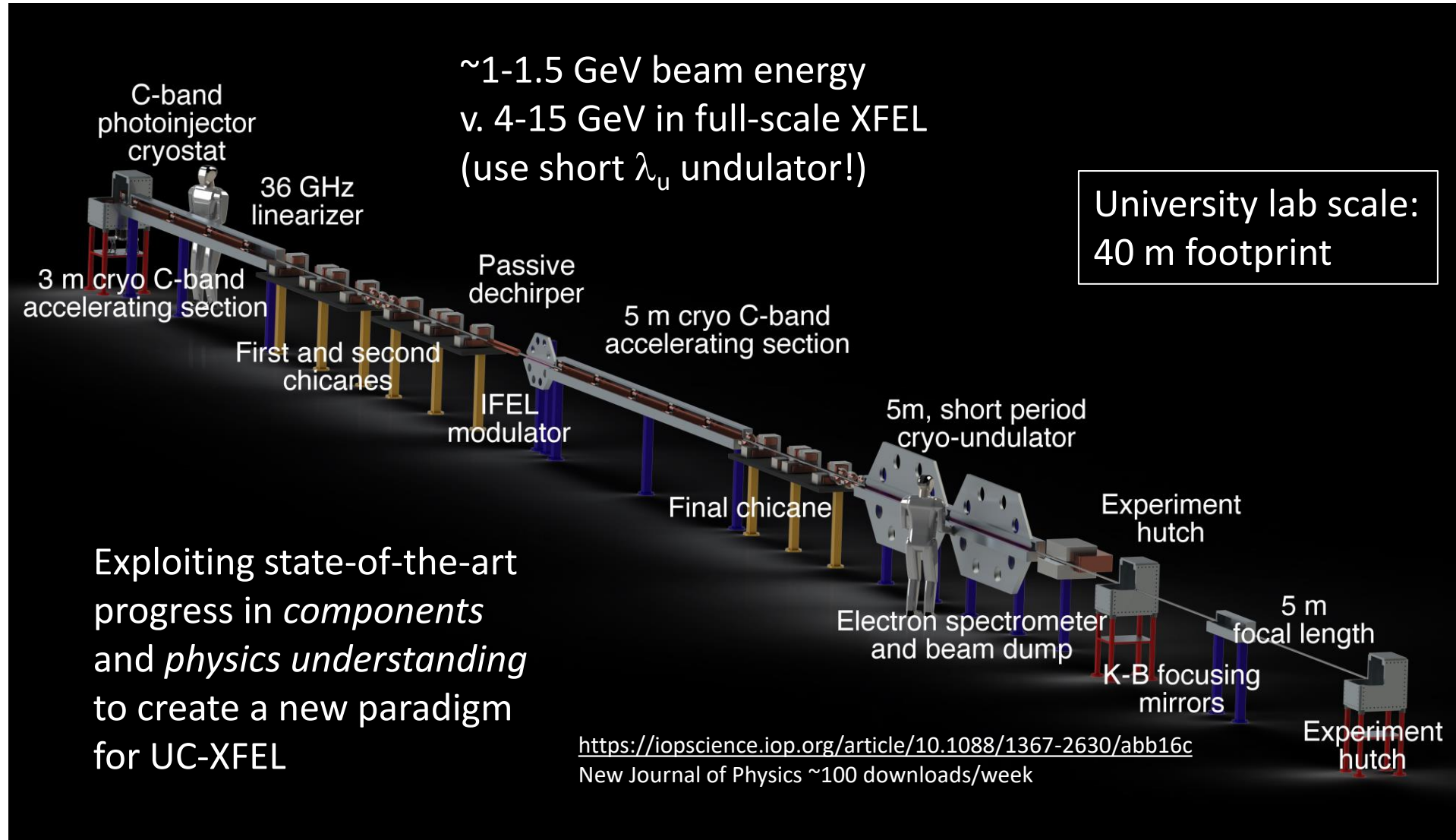
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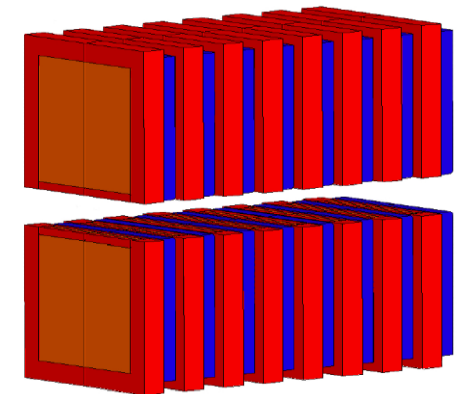
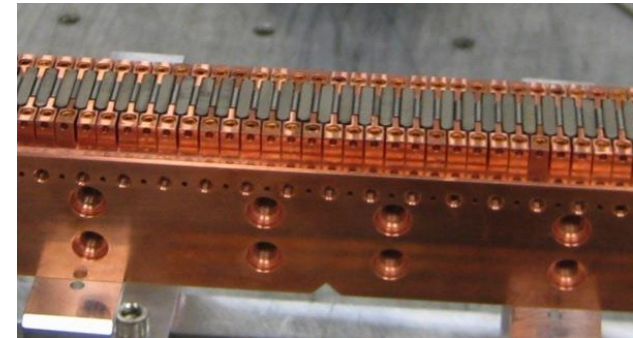
Vision of a university-scale UC-XFEL



UC-XFEL Recipe Ingredients

- Ultra-high field electron cryogenic RF photoinjector source
- High gradient cryogenic accelerator
- Frontier simulation of collective effects (CSR, IBS)
- Beam measurements at micron/fs scale
- Very high frequency RF devices
- Advanced magnetic systems – micro-undulators and quads
- Machine-learning based control
- Compact X-ray optics
- Understanding of science case

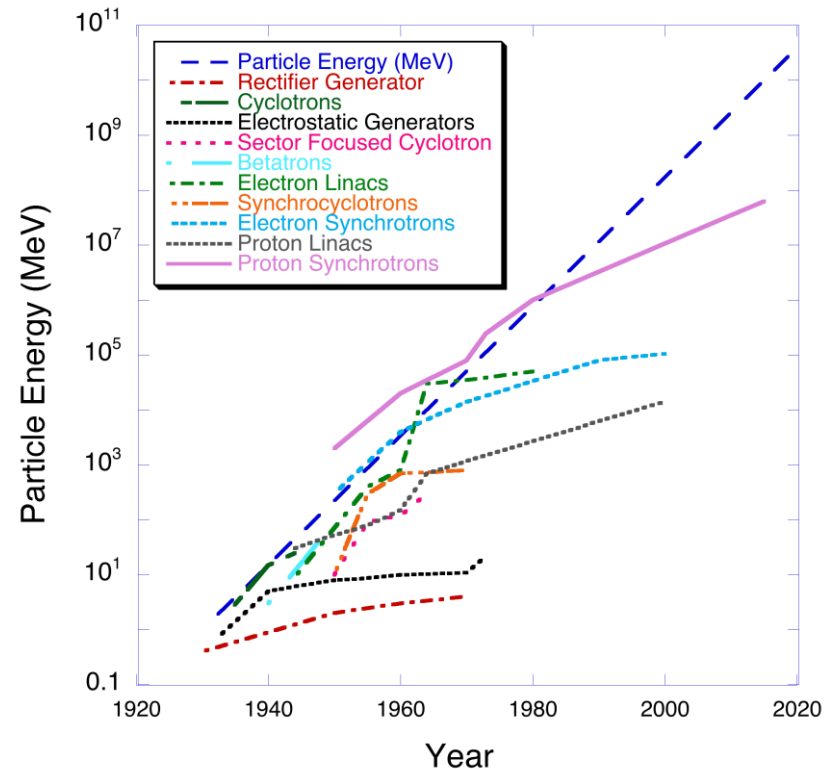
First two points enable entire scenario, based on very high field cryogenic RF field research



Hybrid cryo-undulator: Pr-based, SmCo sheath; $L = 9$ mm up to 2.2 T

UC-XFEL as stepping stone for particle physics: pushing linear collider energy frontier

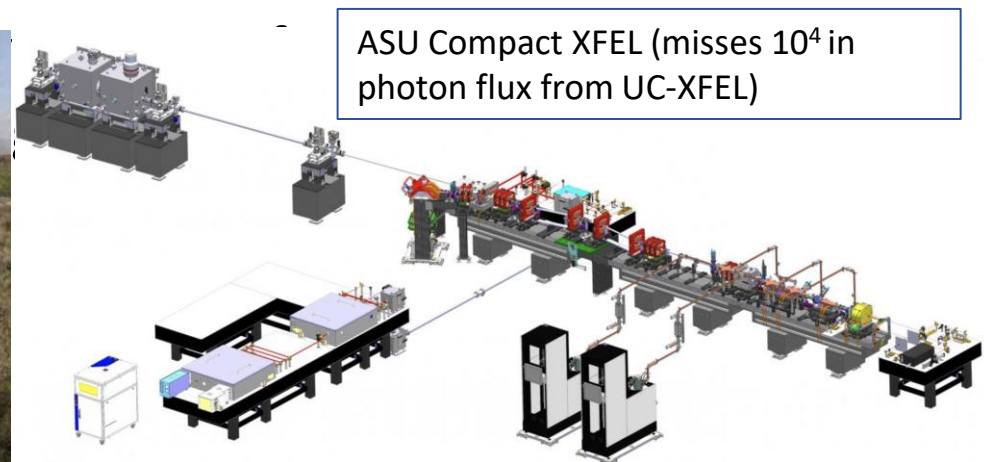
- Exponential growth over time in *available energy U*
 - Livingston plot: “Moore’s Law” for accelerators
- Generational history
- Next generation will operate at much higher fields
 - **US GARD Panel**: regardless of technique GV/m for multi-TeV e+e-
 - **Fields higher by >30**. New methods needed.
 - Exotic techniques: **plasma**, direct laser, dielectric, **advanced RF**
 - **There is a long road to GeV/m**
 - **Multi-TeV plasma collider >2035**
 - **How do we move strategically?**



*Livingston plot showing
Moore’s law for HEP discovery*

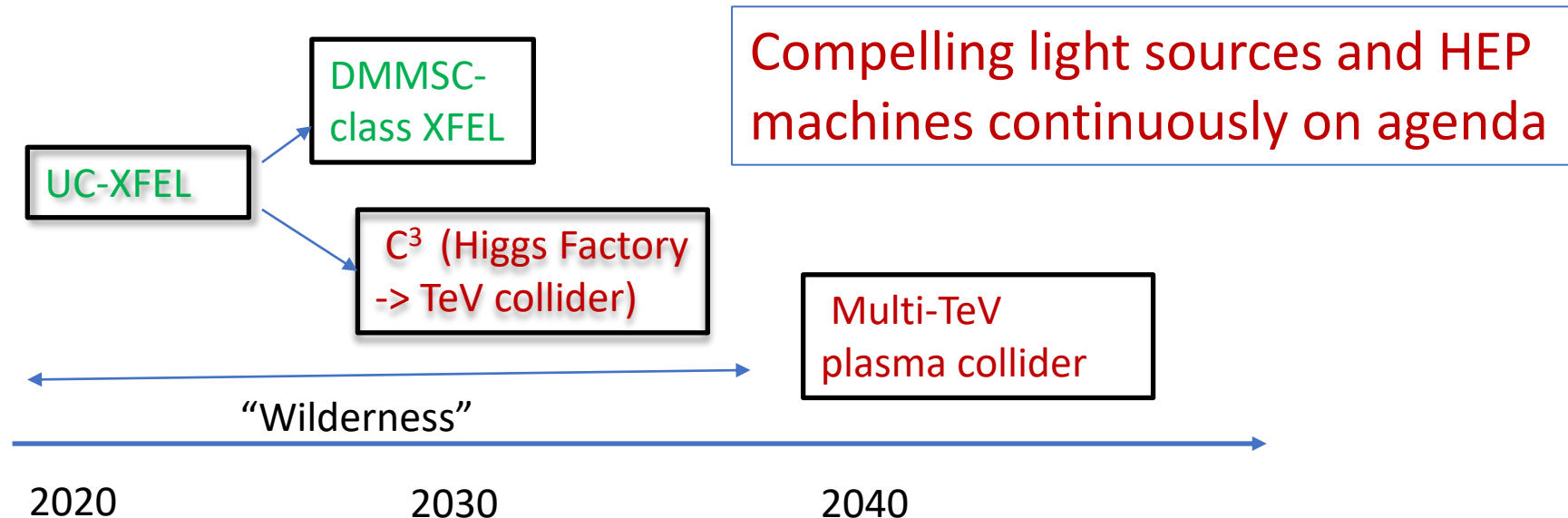
Compact XFEL is intertwined with future colliders

- Major investments in “factory” scale XFEL (European XFEL, LCLS-II) counter-balanced by **5th generation-inspired** initiatives
 - *BELLA* laser-plasma accelerator
 - *EuPRAXIA* plasma accelerator FEL, “stepping stone” to HEP
 - On ESFRI roadmap, 300MEuro project hitting the real axis
 - *CompactLight*, X-band RF spin-off from CERN
 - *Arizona State Compact XFEL*
- **Ultra-Compact XFEL (*UC-XFEL*)** collaboration



A joint road map: UC-XFEL, large scale XFEL and linear colliders

- The path to plasma linear collider is long (-2040).
- Technological *and physics* stepping stones are needed to maintain continuous interest
 - EuPRAXIA is existence proof for stepping stone concept viability
 - Plasma-based FEL is not a very high quality light source
 - Plasma-based FEL does not aid HEP horizon immediately
- UC-XFEL aids effort in cold copper collider
 - Full scale FEL frontiers as well



The Ultra-Compact FEL Design Realized




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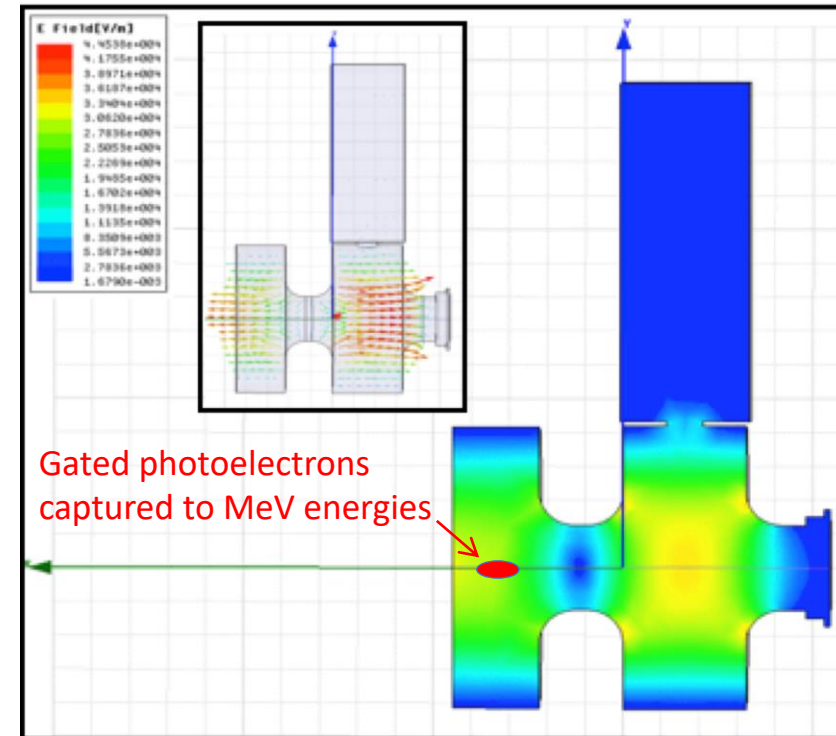
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FEL begins life with high brightness electron beam source: *the RF photoinjector*

- Laser gating to fs-to-ps level
- RF capture – violent acceleration
 - Accelerating fields 10x DC sources
 - Strong RF focusing effects
- Preserve phase space structure
 - Control pulse expansion
 - Minimize emittance growth
 - Creation, manipulation of single component plasma (emittance compensation)
- Frontier RF engineering
- Photocathode physics
- Advanced laser techniques
- Apply lessons to linear collider source
- *Key technology is high field acceleration*

Rethink points in red when fields much enhanced.



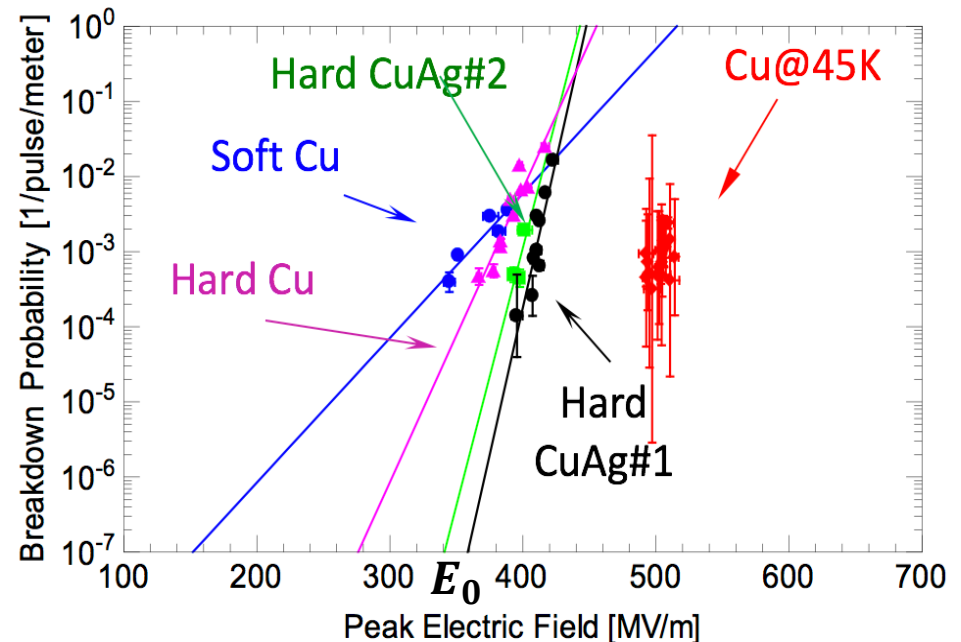
Traditional UCLA-designed RF photoinjector operated at ~100 MV/m

High gradient acceleration at cryogenic temperature

- Recent **X-band** work by SLAC-UCLA collaboration on cryogenic RF cavity research gives breakthrough surface fields
 - ASE lowers heating, thermal expansion small, enhanced strength
- 200 MV/m surface fields -> 500 MV/m. ~300 MV/m limit (dark current)
- Transformative applications in photoinjector **brightness**
 - ...and system compactness

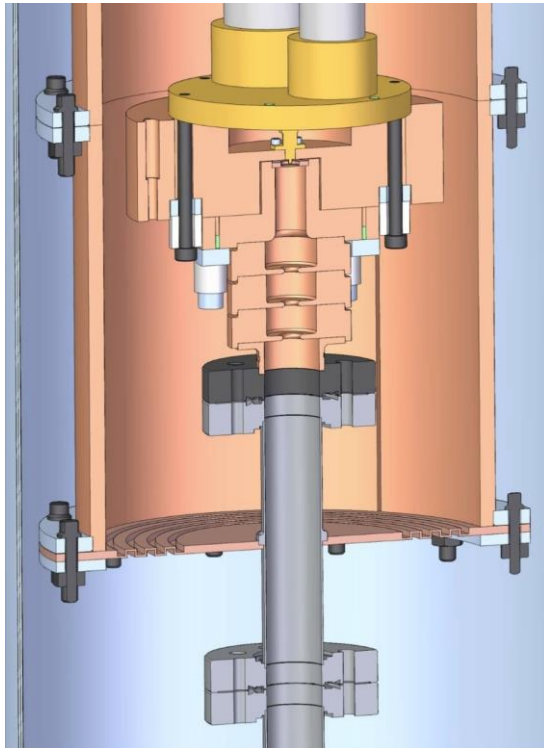
$$B_{6D} \propto E_0^{5/2} \quad \triangleright \text{ >order of magnitude Increase in brightness in photoinjector}$$

A. D. Cahill, et al., *Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams* 21, 102002 (2018)

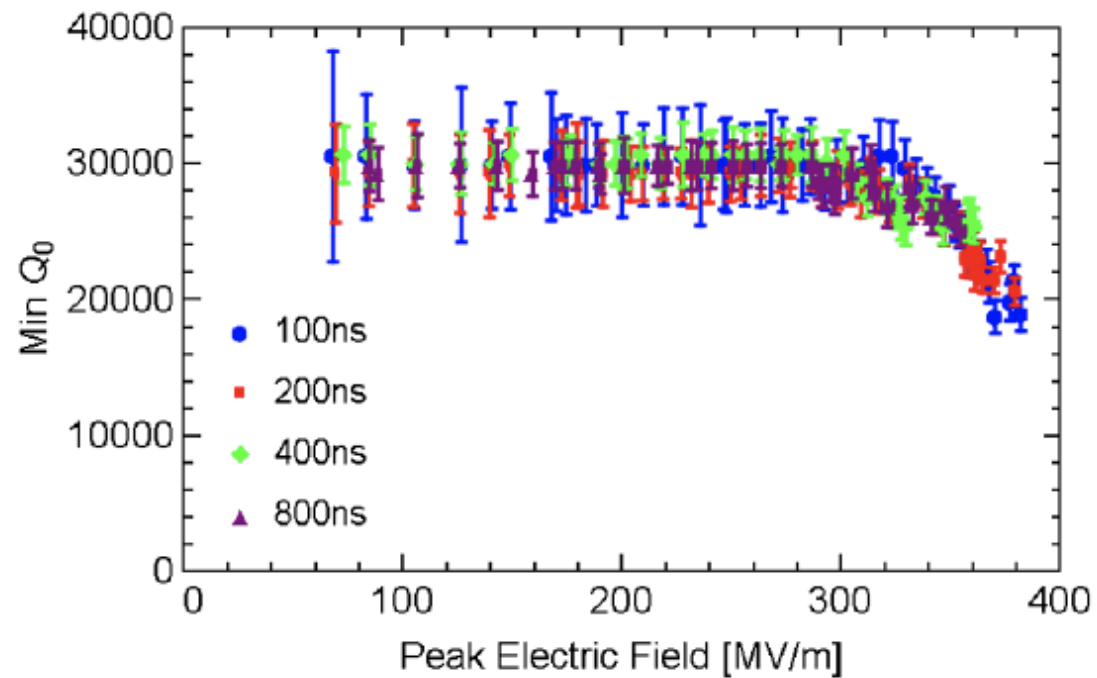


Practical concern: dark current emission

- Field emission is very large above 300 MV/m surface field
- Mitigation schemes must be explored



3-cell cryogenic X-band test cavity at SLAC



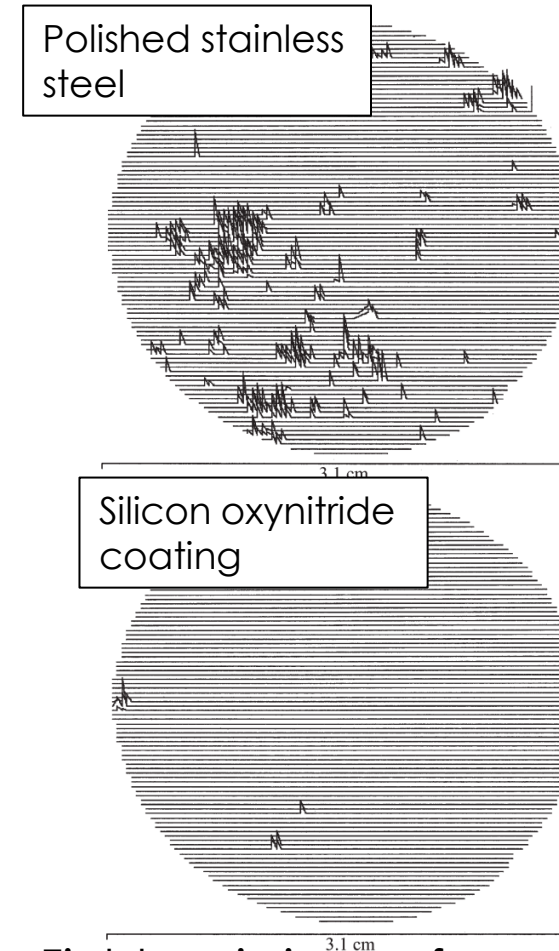
Dark current emission loads cavity >300 MV/m

Must Meet Challenges of Dark Current

- Fowler-Nordheim emission

$$J_{\text{FN}}(s) = \frac{A(\beta(s)E_0(s))^2}{\phi_w t^2(y)} \exp\left(\frac{-Bv(y)\phi_w^{3/2}}{\beta(s)E_0(s)}\right)$$

- Field enhancement factor $\beta(s)$ typically ~ 50
 - Surface contamination at atomic level
 - Large dark current
 - Threat to applications (esp. low charge)
 - **Active measures (fast kickers)**
- Add surface coating
 - Silicon oxynitride eliminates emitters; high work function
 - Graphene (transparent)
 - **Experimental demonstration** needed
 - Needle tests at AWA
- Bulk material solutions

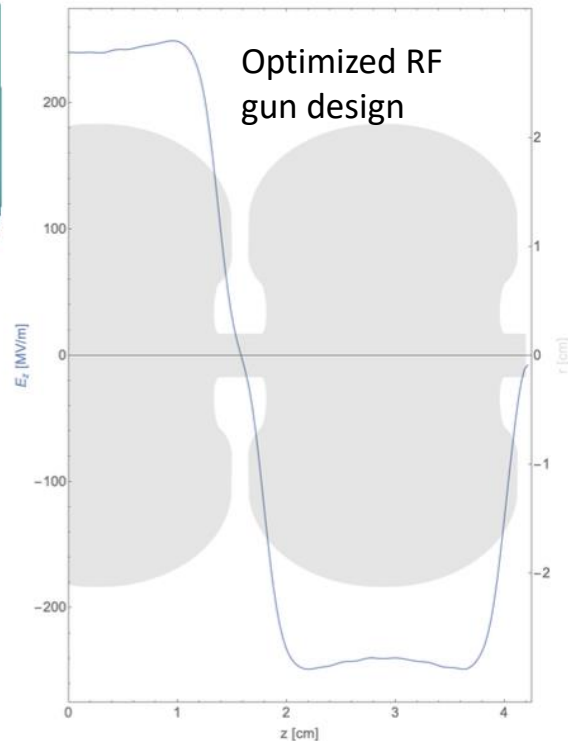
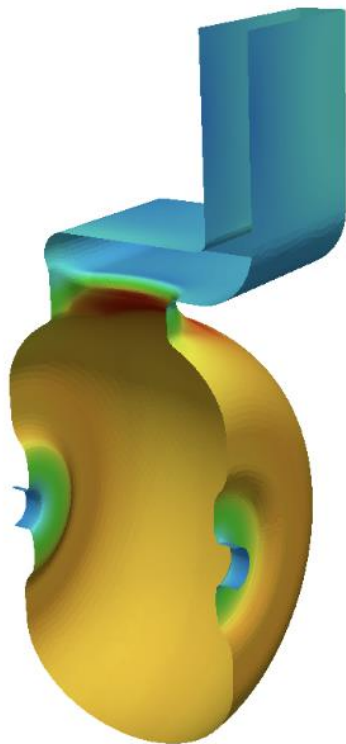


Field emission surface scan for SiNO (Theodore et al.)

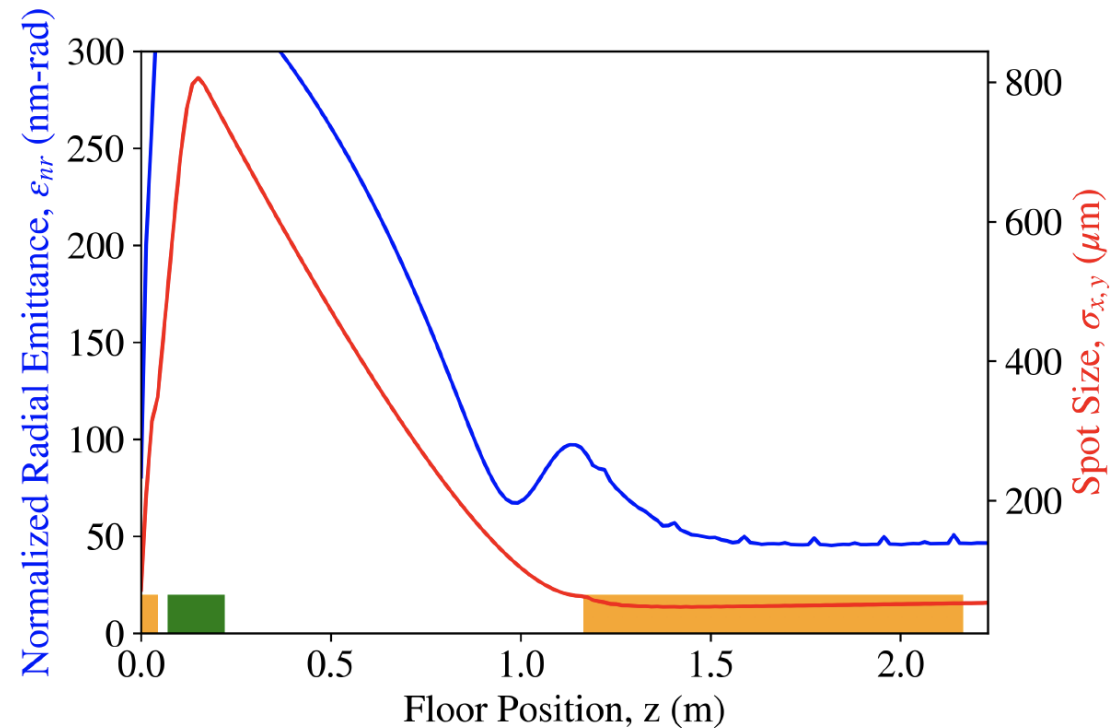
UCLA C-band Cryogenic Photoinjector Project

- Cryogenic C-band photoinjector at extreme high brightness for FEL

Profit from very high fields (up to 250 MV/m) on photocathode;
higher spatial harmonics



$E_0=250$ MV/m

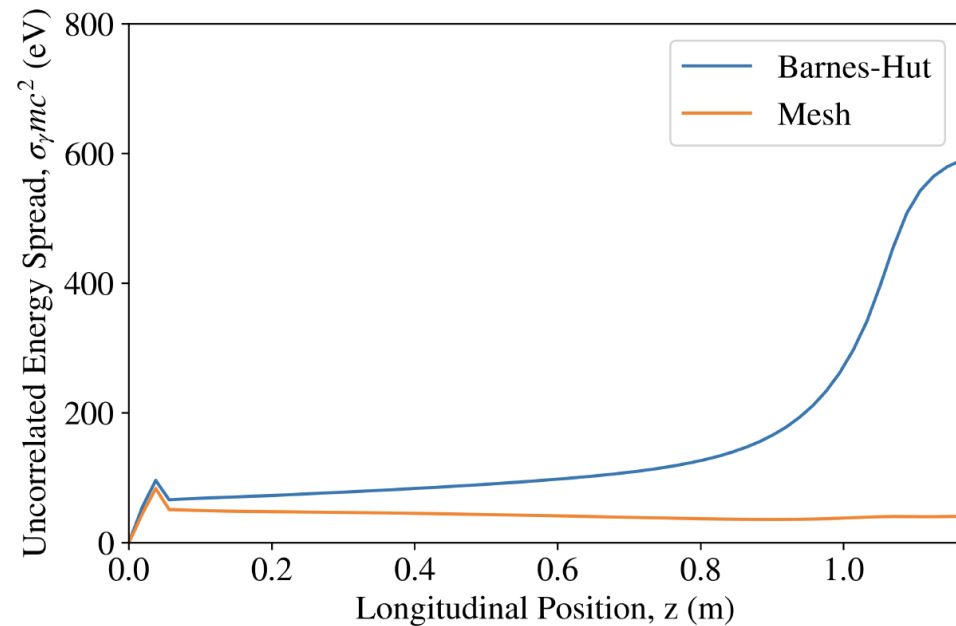
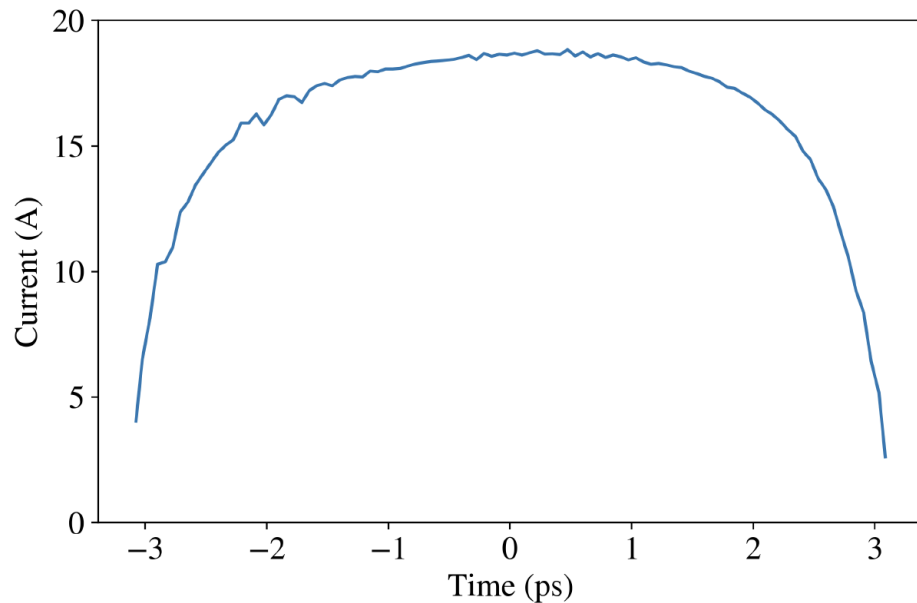


R. Robles, et al., Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams 24, 063401 (2020)

Enhanced 6D Brightness with high field



- High current (nearly 20 A) at 100 pC
- Very low energy spread – required new approach to IBS calculation



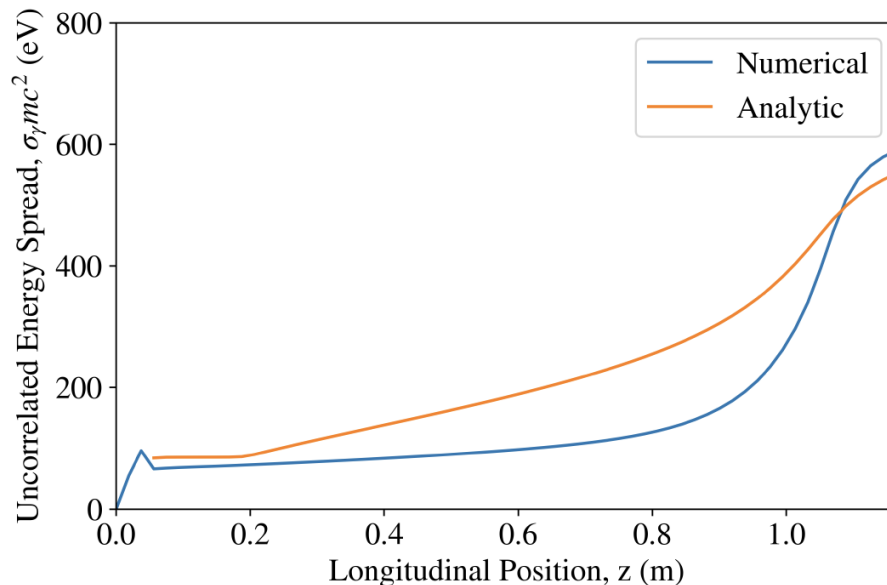
Record 6D brightness predicted, factor of >40 above original LCLS

Intra-beam scattering and slice energy spread

- At high beam density, the slice energy spread may be dominated by intra-beam scattering

$$\frac{d\sigma_\gamma^2}{dz} = \frac{2r_e^2 N_b}{\sigma_x \sigma_z \epsilon_{nx}} \quad \text{Implicit scaling on } E_0$$

- Challenging simulations of state-of-art problem (GPT with Barnes-Hut algorithm)



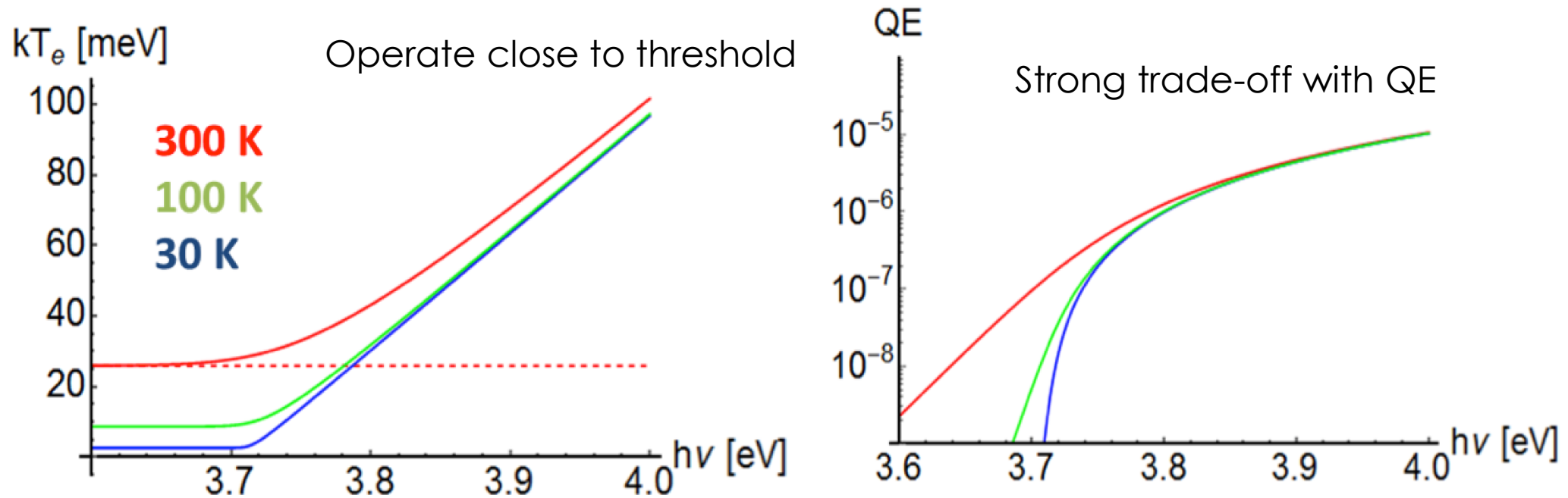
IBS theory due to
Z. Huang (SLAC-PUB)

See Robles et al. PRAB,

-Implications for beam compressibility in UC-XFEL and C³
- Experiments at UCLA

Extending brightness frontier: lower emission temperature

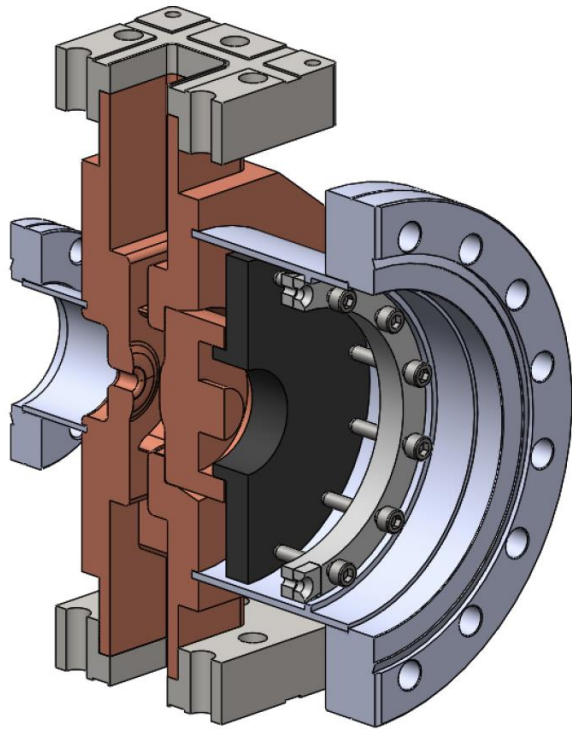
- MTE of photo-electrons can be notably lower at cryo-temperatures
- Eliminate Fermi-Dirac tail. *Cold* beams



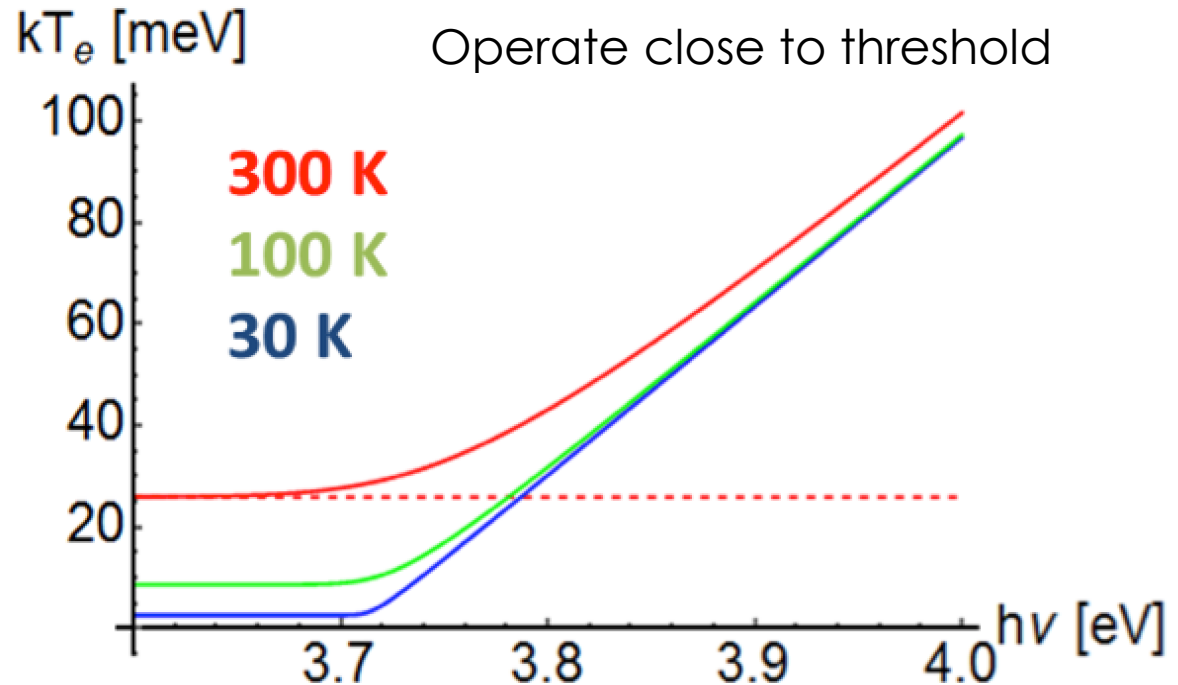
Issue: two-photon and heating effects due to high laser power

Half-cell cryogenic photo-emission test stand

- Up to 120 MV/m field in 0.5 cell geometry, in cryostat
- Precision solenoid, very low emittance diagnostics (10 meV MTE)
 - Load-lock photocathode assembly. *Look to add polarized e- capabilities?*



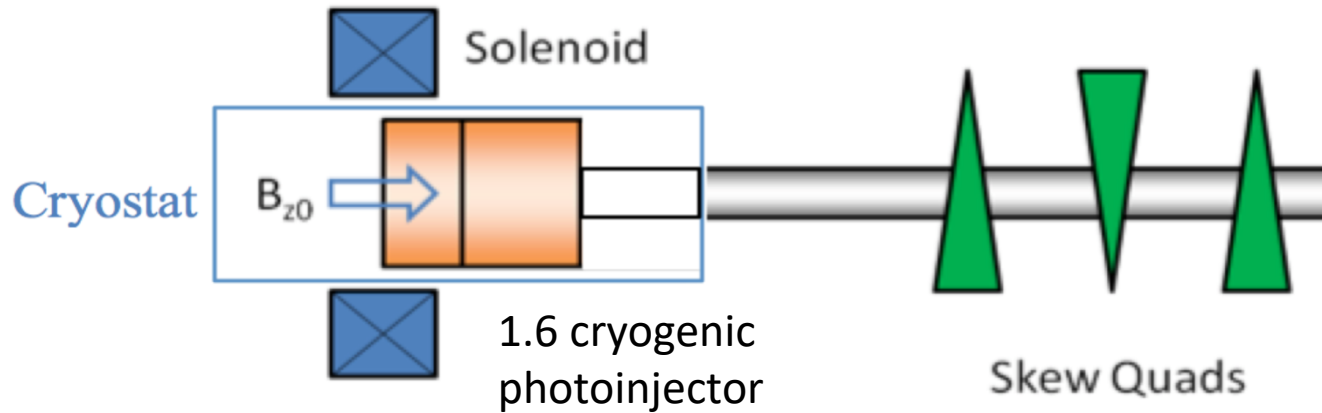
0.5 cell gun with copper cathode (no load lock)
Under construction (support from NSF CBB)



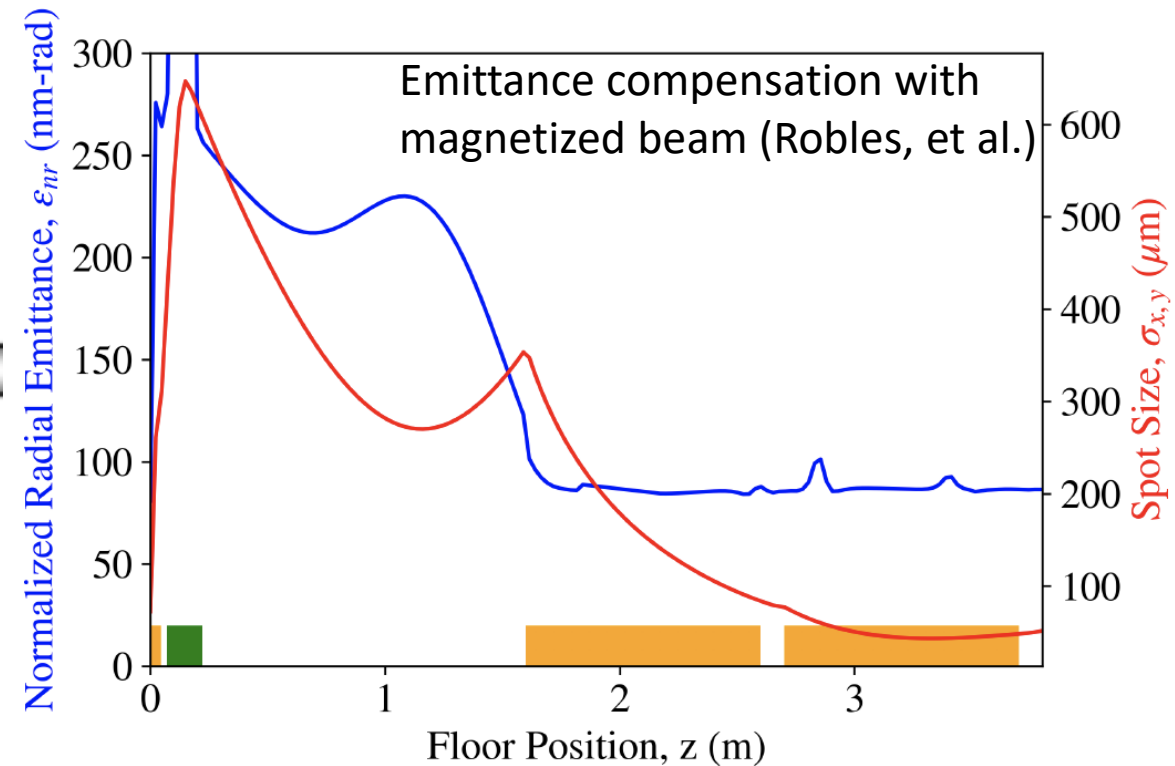
Cryo-emission eliminates Fermi-Dirac tail, **cold beams**

Asymmetric emittance beams for linear colliders

- Eliminate electron damping ring
- Round-to-flat beam transformation
- Very small 4D transverse emittance needed
 - Consistent with *magnetized photocathode*

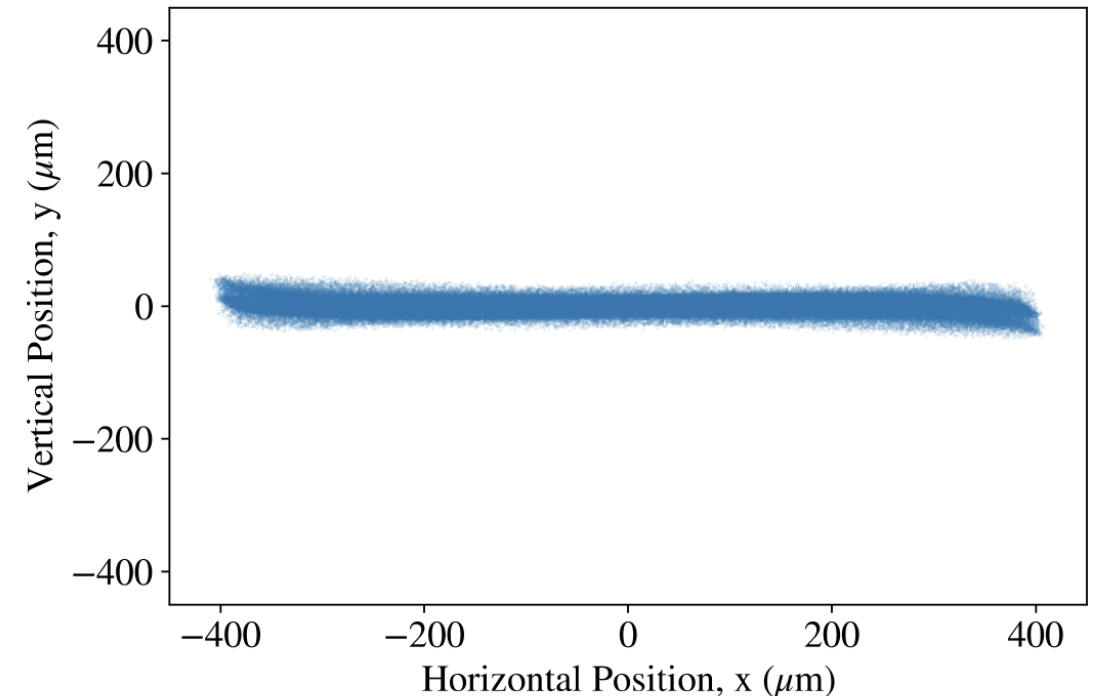
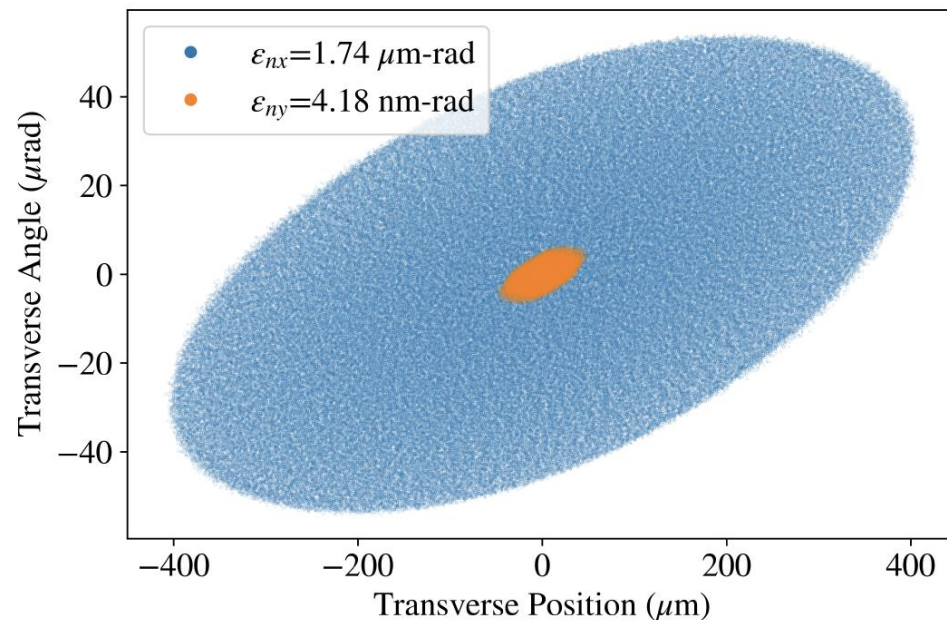


Angular momentum $\mathcal{L} = (eB_0/2m_e c)\sigma_0^2$



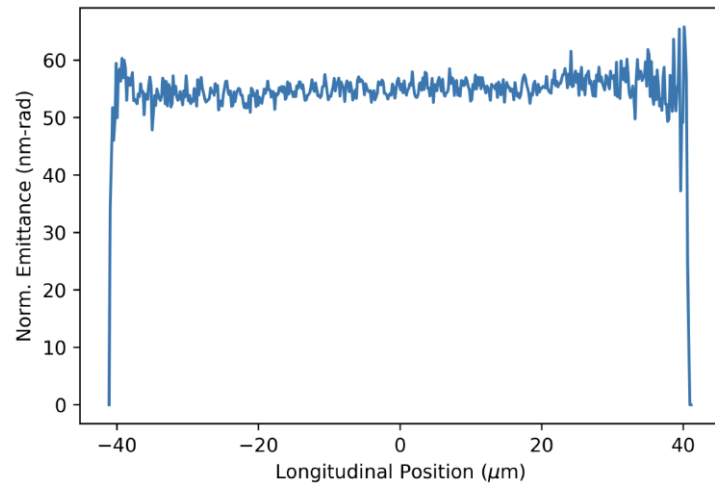
Performance of round-to-flat beam transformation

- Emittance 90 nm-rad before splitting (increase of 75% over XFEL case)
- Splitting nearly ideal in simulation, including space-charge effects
- *Scaling to nC level implies S-band operation*

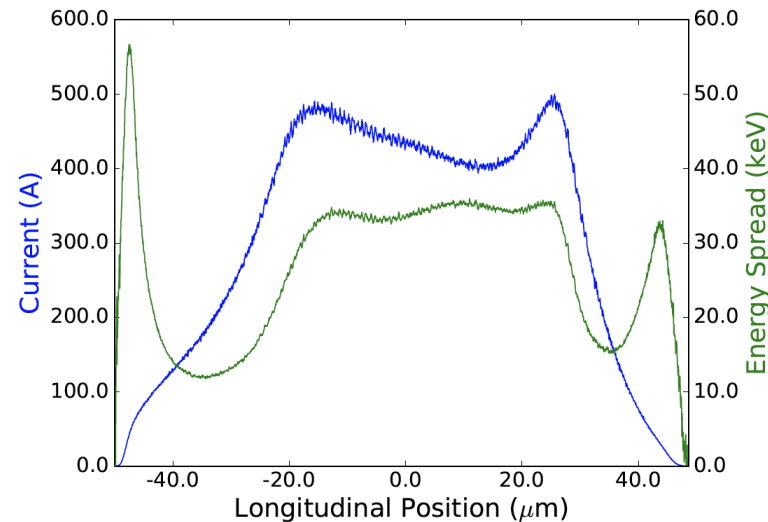


Bunch compression to 4 kA in two phases

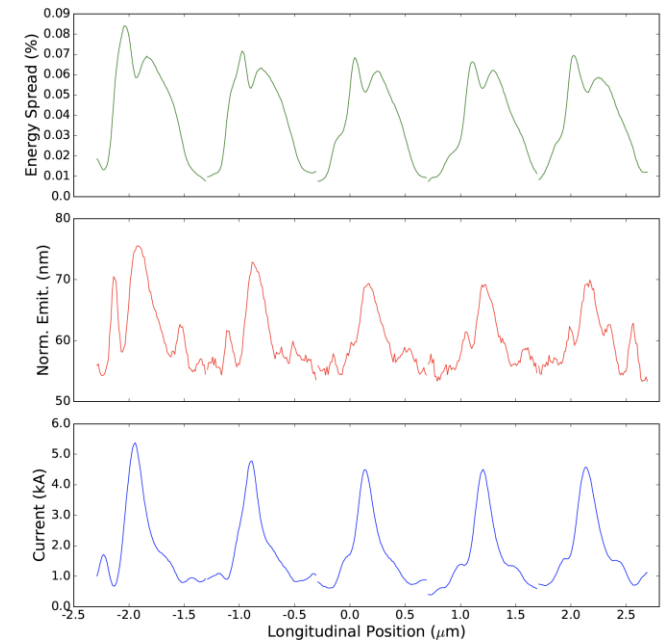
- **The good:** with high gradients, compact system, LSC-CSR microbunching instabilities do not have time to assert themselves
- **The bad:** we must preserve a much smaller emittance at the same peak current as LCLS
- **The familiar:** compress **first** at 400 MeV using two small opposing chicanes to 400 A peak current. Must **linearize LPS** using 6th harmonic cavity (34.3 GHz, from XLS project). Emittance growth very small. *Technology relevant to C³ compressors*
- *Apply IFEL compression for second phase – important for FELs overall (e.g. XLEA00 at SLAC)*



Emittance growth from CSR/SC model negligible



400 A current after BC1

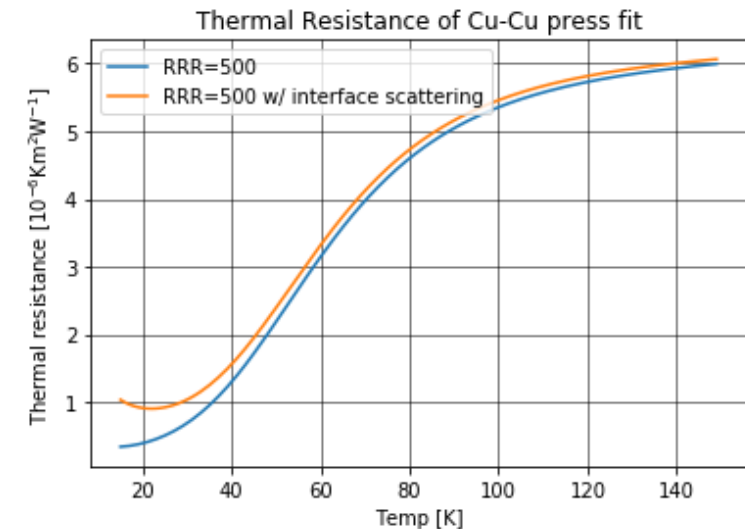
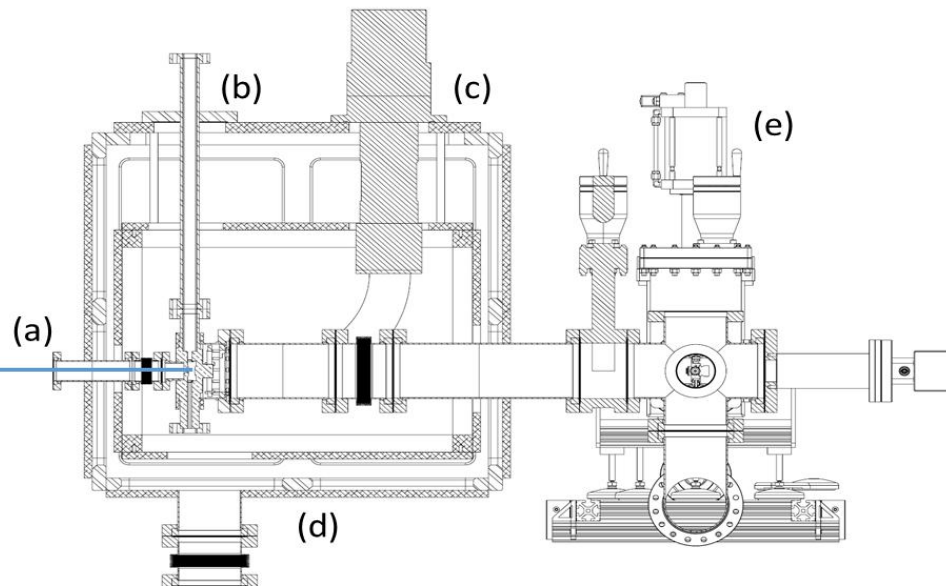
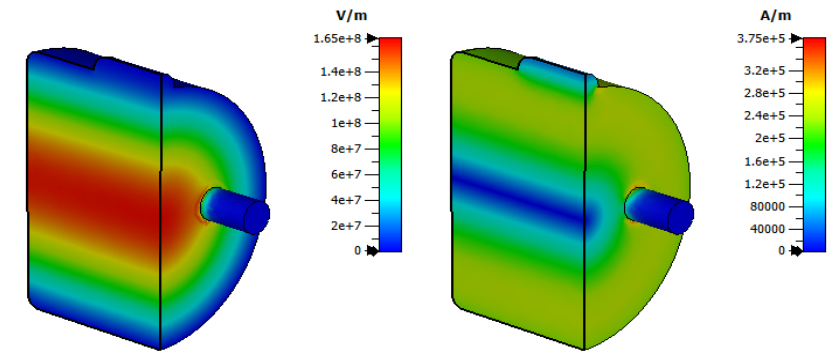


Slice energy spread (top), emittance (middle) and current profile for microbunches (bottom)

Cryo-RF for applications at UCLA



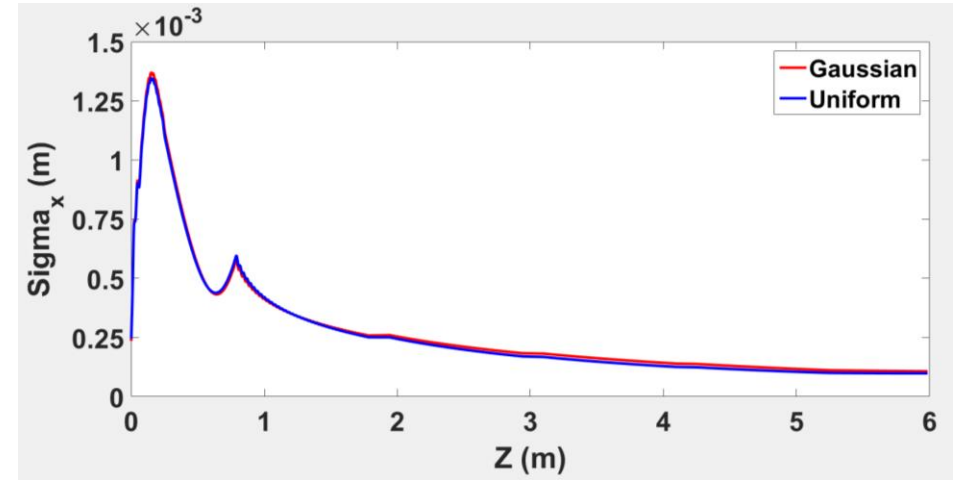
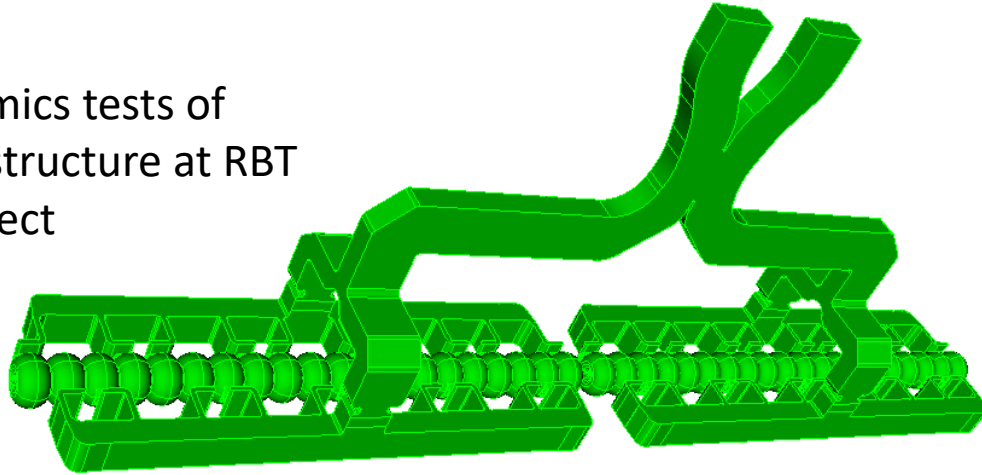
- 50 year old C-band klystron brought back to life
- Developing generation of cryostats for testing at UCLA
 - Low power C-band cryogenic properties, *anomaly* $< 20 \text{ deg K}$
 - Cool-down dynamics, alignment
 - *Cryogenic photo-emission test stand*
- Implications for C^3 gun and test cavities



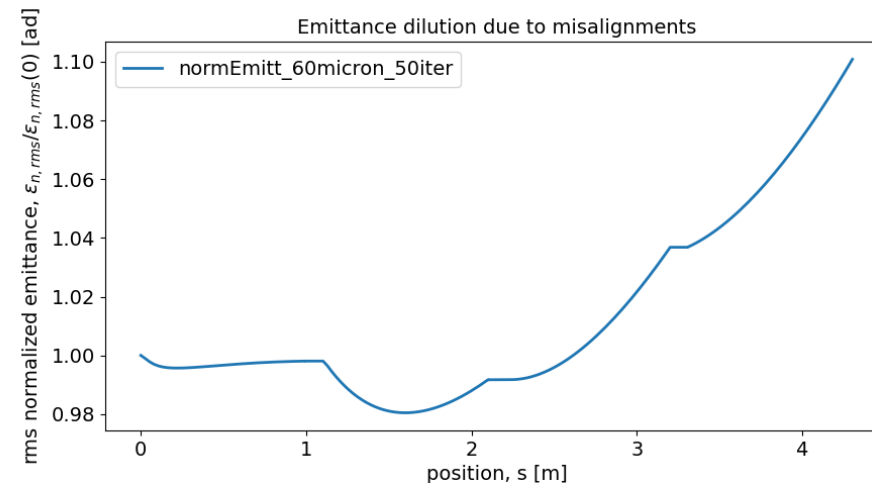
Common issues for linear accelerator sections

- Advantage: strong RF focusing.
 - Example in Radiabeam GRIT project, same linac structure, 40% of gradient
 - Inherent aspect of emittance control

First beam dynamics tests of
C-band Tantawi structure at RBT
DARPA GRIT project



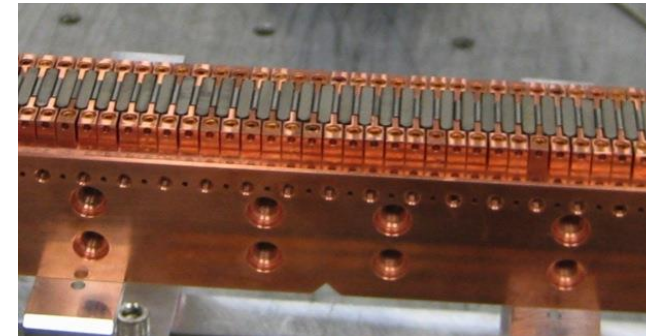
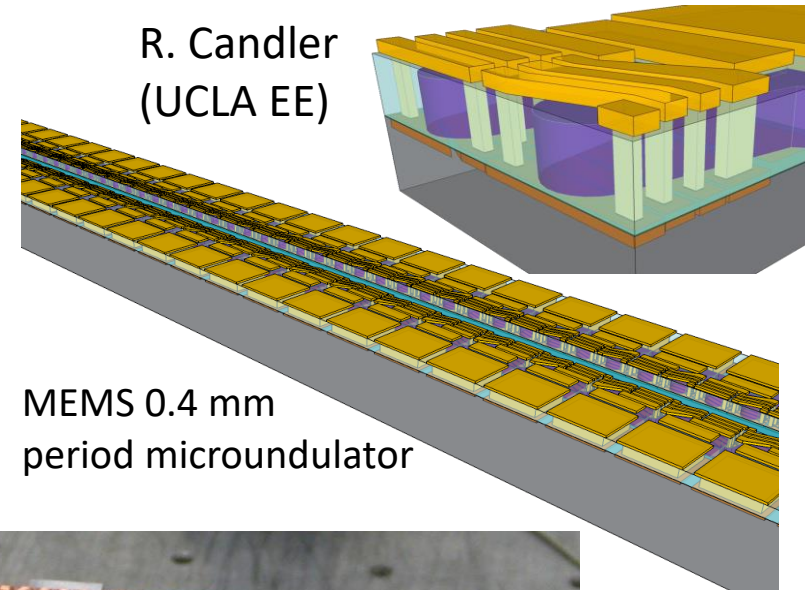
- Testing new model for emittance dilution from wakefields, space-charge



- New code to simulate short-range BBU
- Extension to long range wakes in C^3

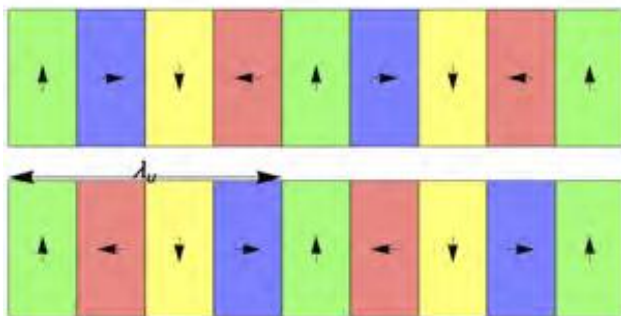
Micro- (meso-) Undulators

- mm-scale period undulators under development for 10 years
- Advanced manufacturing methods (MEMS)
- **Cryo-undulator (Pr, Dy based) already a mature technology (RadiaBeam)**
 - 6-9 mm period
 - Up to 2 T fields, narrow gap
- K not large, but coupling is $K_u / g!$
- Application to positron sourcery in LCs
- Useful at LCLS?



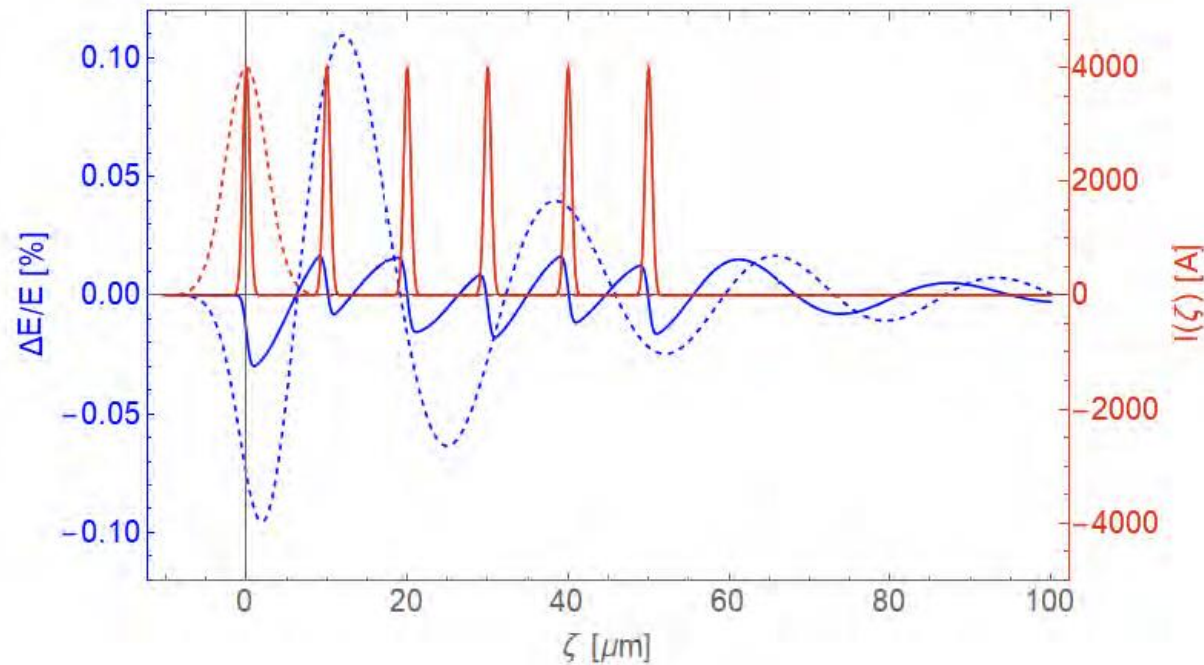
Pr-based 7 mm period cryo-undulator

Proposed manufacturing of few mm-period Halbach array



Avoiding resistive wall wakefields in undulator

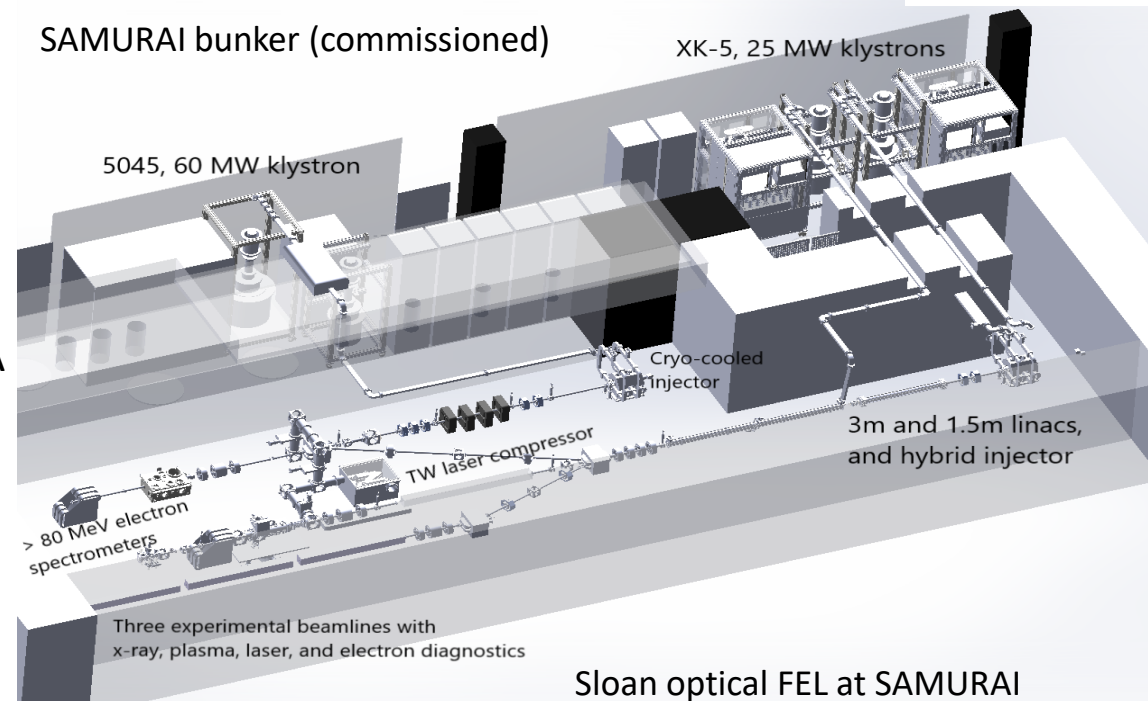
- Sub-mm gap can provoke large resistive wakes in undulator
- **Periodic microbunching alleviates this problem**
- Also under study for **MaRIE >40 keV XFEL**; key advantage in both cases



Periodic microbunching and associated resistive wall wakes

Leveraging the present to the future

- Bridge to ~\$30M project needed
- UCLA SAMURAI Lab
 - \$5M construction, \$7M legacy eqpt.
- Investments from agencies
 - DOE HEP (injector); DARPA (C-band); NSF CBB (dynamics, cryo-emission test stand); DOE NNSA (MaRIE FEL)
- Utilize collaborative expertise
 - UCLA, SLAC, UCB, LANL, Cornell Roma, UNM, ASU, INFN, FAMU, PSI, RadiaBeam, Pulsar
 - Concentrate on key techniques
 - Cryo-RF gun (asymmetric emit) and linac
 - IFEL and velocity bunching
 - Short period undulators
 - **Optical to EUV FEL**
 - C3 string test and beam testing
- Fund first prototype UC-XFEL
 - NSF Midscale pre-proposal (may go to R2)
 - EFRC path is attractive



Sloan optical FEL at SAMURAI

