

# PetaVolts per meter Plasmonics

*\*conductive materials - semiconductors, semi-metals, metals*

quantum electron gas

**Extreme plasmons**

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PetaVolts per meter Plasmonics: introducing extreme  
nanoscience as a route towards scientific frontiers

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# Quantum electron gas fundamentals

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## ionic lattice

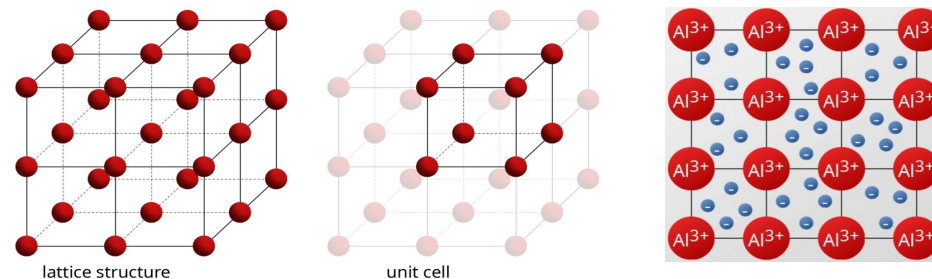
periodic potential is **PRESENT**  
over plasmonic timescale (*strained under high fields*)

## energy band structure

lattice structure – Bloch's theorem : **QUANTUM**  
electrons - specific occupancy states,  $\mathbf{k}_\ell$   
near-continuum Energy levels,  $\mathcal{E}_\mathbf{k}$  – **energy BANDS**

## non-interacting Fermions

Pauli's exclusion principle : **QUANTUM**



Quantum degeneracy parameter:  $\chi = \frac{8}{3\sqrt{\pi}} \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_F}{k_B T} \right)^{3/2}$

Quantum correlation parameter:  $\Gamma = 8 \frac{2^{1/3}}{3\pi^2} d_0 a_0^{-1}$

**Quantum electron gas:** conduction band  $e^-$  - **delocalized, nearly free (*collisionless limit*)**

**PLASMON** – Quantum  $e^-$  gas oscillations in response to EM excitation

$$\langle \omega_Q \rangle \simeq \left( 1 + 3\alpha \left[ 1 + \frac{3}{10} \beta^2 \right] \right) \omega_p \equiv \mathcal{F}_Q(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{p}) \omega_p \quad \lambda_Q \lesssim \frac{30}{\sqrt{n_0 (10^{24} \text{cm}^{-3})}} \text{ nm}$$

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# Extreme Plasmons

Perturbative  
(conventional)

$$\delta = \theta(2\pi)^{-1} \lambda \ll \lambda$$

" $\theta$ " - angular disp. of collective  $e^-$  osc.

Large-amplitude  
or Extreme  
(unexplored)

$$\delta \simeq \lambda$$

trajectory

$$\Delta n_e \ll n_0$$

$e^-$  density

amplitude

$$\Delta n_e \simeq n_0$$

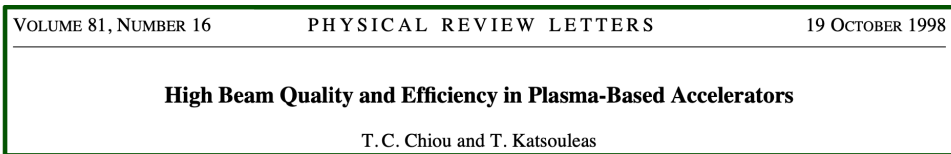
displacement

## Quantum coherence limit

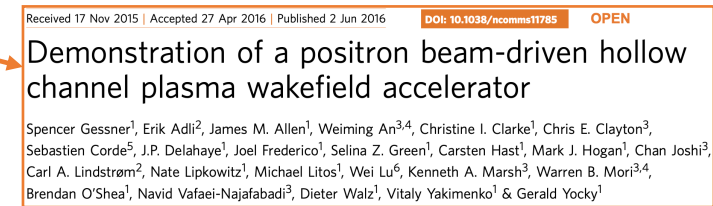
$$E_Q = \mathcal{F}_Q(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{p}) \left( \frac{m_e c^2}{e} \right) \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_Q} \simeq 0.1 \mathcal{F}_Q \sqrt{n_0 [10^{24} \text{cm}^{-3}]} \text{ PVm}^{-1}$$

**2014-15** proposed new mode in a tube – **“crunch-in mode”**  
published in 2015 (IPAC) and 2017 (PRAB)  
violates the **well known** and **expt. characterized** “hollow-channel mode”

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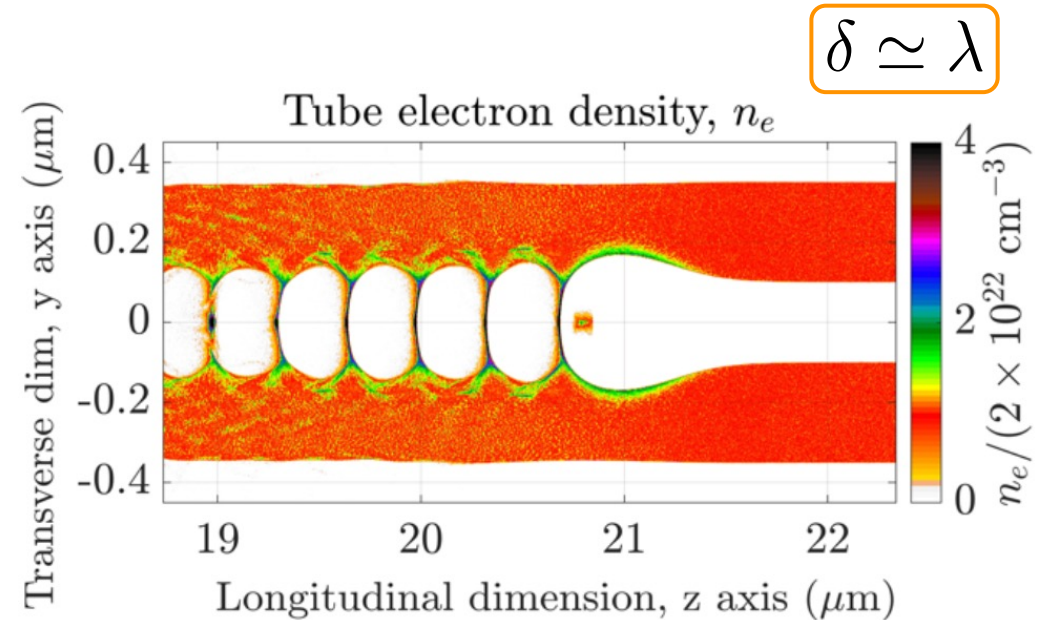
The focusing force is zero inside the channel for a very relativistic particle. The spikes at the channel walls are



experience strong transverse forces that may disrupt the beam quality. Hollow plasma channels have been proposed as a technique for generating accelerating fields without transverse forces. Here we demonstrate a method for creating an extended hollow plasma

# Crunch-in Plasmon

- large-amplitude, relativistic plasmons  
**radial motion driven** by collective beam fields
- large-scale e<sup>-</sup> ionic-lattice displacement  
**strongly electrostatic plasmon**
- RELATIVISTIC e<sup>-</sup> - kinetic energy > surface potential  
surface e<sup>-</sup> – **go across the surface**
- **particle-tracking sim.** – highly localized e<sup>-</sup> density



**2018-19** put forth **extreme plasmonics** – using Quantum electron gas to prototype the crunch-in mode and make use of its advantageous char. Quantum e<sup>-</sup> densities – 10<sup>24</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>

$$0.1 \sqrt{n_0 [10^{24} \text{cm}^{-3}]} \text{ PVm}^{-1}$$

**PV/m EM field frontier**

**2019** invited talk at Fermilab XTALs workshop

**Mar 2020** invited talk at CERN-ARIES workshop

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# SLAC expt. program – FACET-II beam

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### Extreme plasmons - first expt. proposal

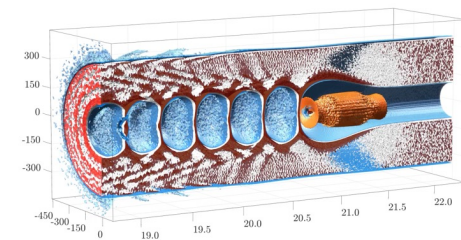
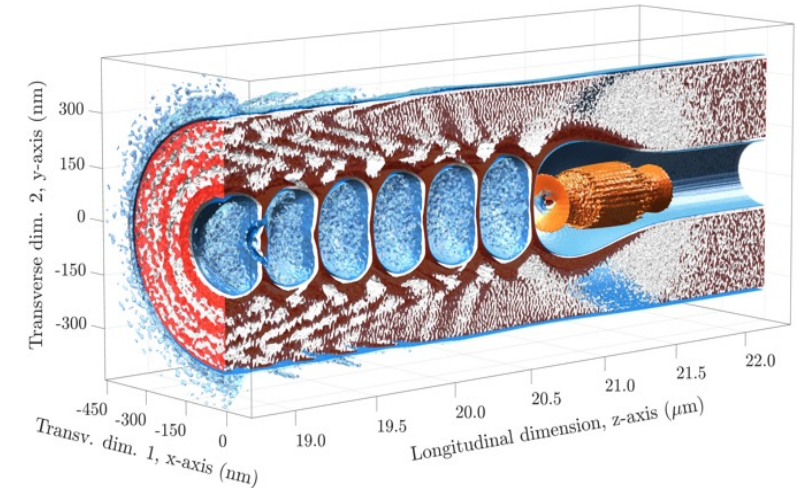
large-amplitude oscillations of Quantum electron gas  
trends towards smaller bunch dim.s – match with FACET

- **proposed** - metallic nanostructures (nano-porous Au walls) to control the quantum electron gas properties
- relativistic, large-amplitude dynamics of Fermi electron gas  
3D simulations of plasmons - 10TV/m fields
- 300 kA beam G. White's work [*Science meeting 2019*]

#### PAC feedback:

- need “ionization” ? quantum electron gas (NOT understood)
- discussion of measurable expt. signature ?
- destruction of tubes ?

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sub- $\mu\text{m}$  bunch:  $\sigma_{\parallel} \sim 400\text{nm}$ ,  $\sigma_r \sim 250\text{nm}$   
 plasmonic tube:  $r_t \sim 100\text{nm}$ ,  $n_t \sim 2 \times 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}$   
 nearly matched:  $\lambda_{\text{plasmon}} \simeq 250\text{nm}$

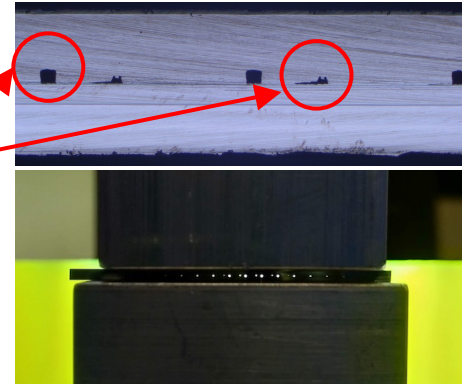
# expt. efforts - II

## SLAC FACET-II 2022

### Tunable plasmon – match with FACET-II beam

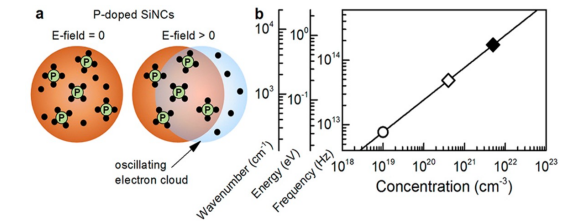
- doped Semiconductor tubes:
  - tune quantum electron gas properties
  - n-type **P-doped** Silicon
  - Quantum  $e^-$  gas density  $\sim 10^{18} \text{cm}^{-3}$  ( $\sim n_b:KPP$ )
- tube radius:  $100\mu\text{m}$ ,  $30\mu\text{m}$ 
  - $\lambda_{\text{plasmon}} \sim$  **tube dim.**  $\sim$  **10s of  $\mu\text{m}$**
  - large-fraction of beam particles – inside the tube
- 100 GV/m acceleration and focusing fields computationally demonstrated
- expt. ready Si tubes – designed and fabricated

100 & 30  $\mu\text{m}$  rect. tubes fabricated in Si



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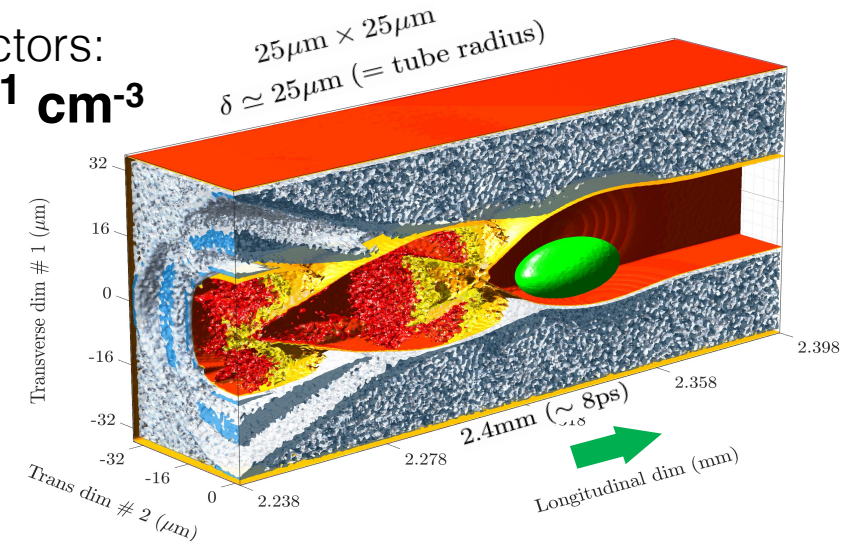
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semiconductors:  
 $n_t \sim 10^{12-21} \text{cm}^{-3}$



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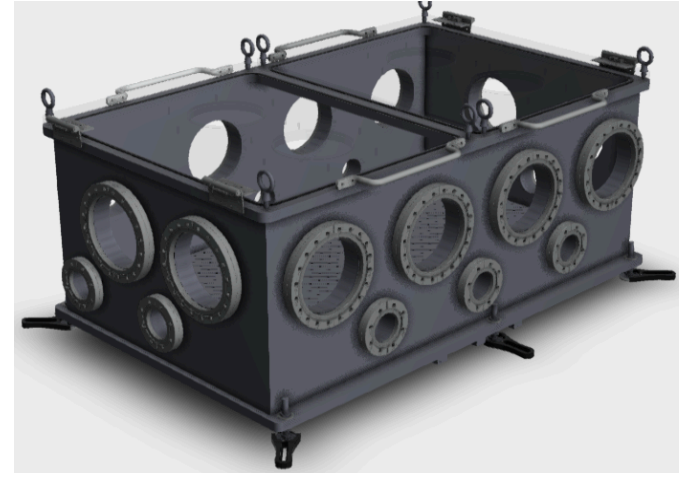
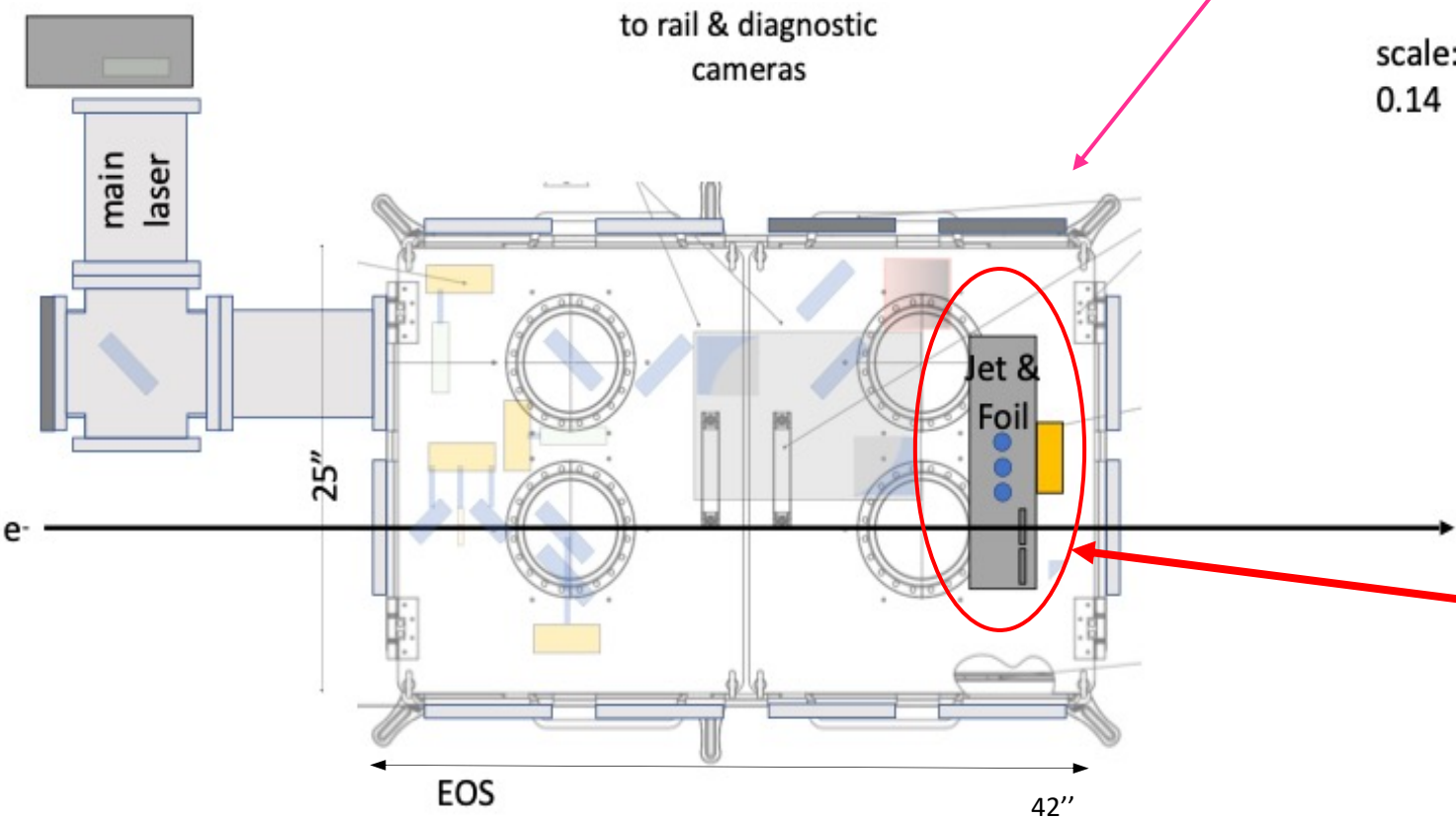
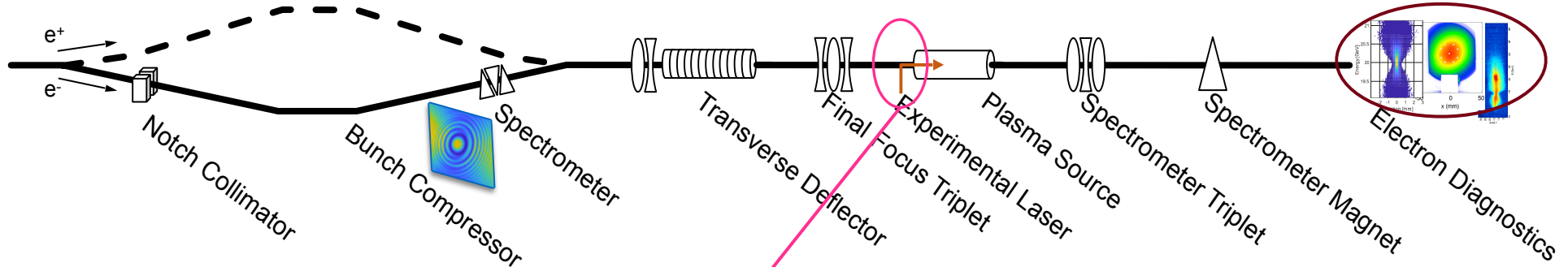
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PAC feedback – develop extensive expt. plan



# Technical design – FACET-II

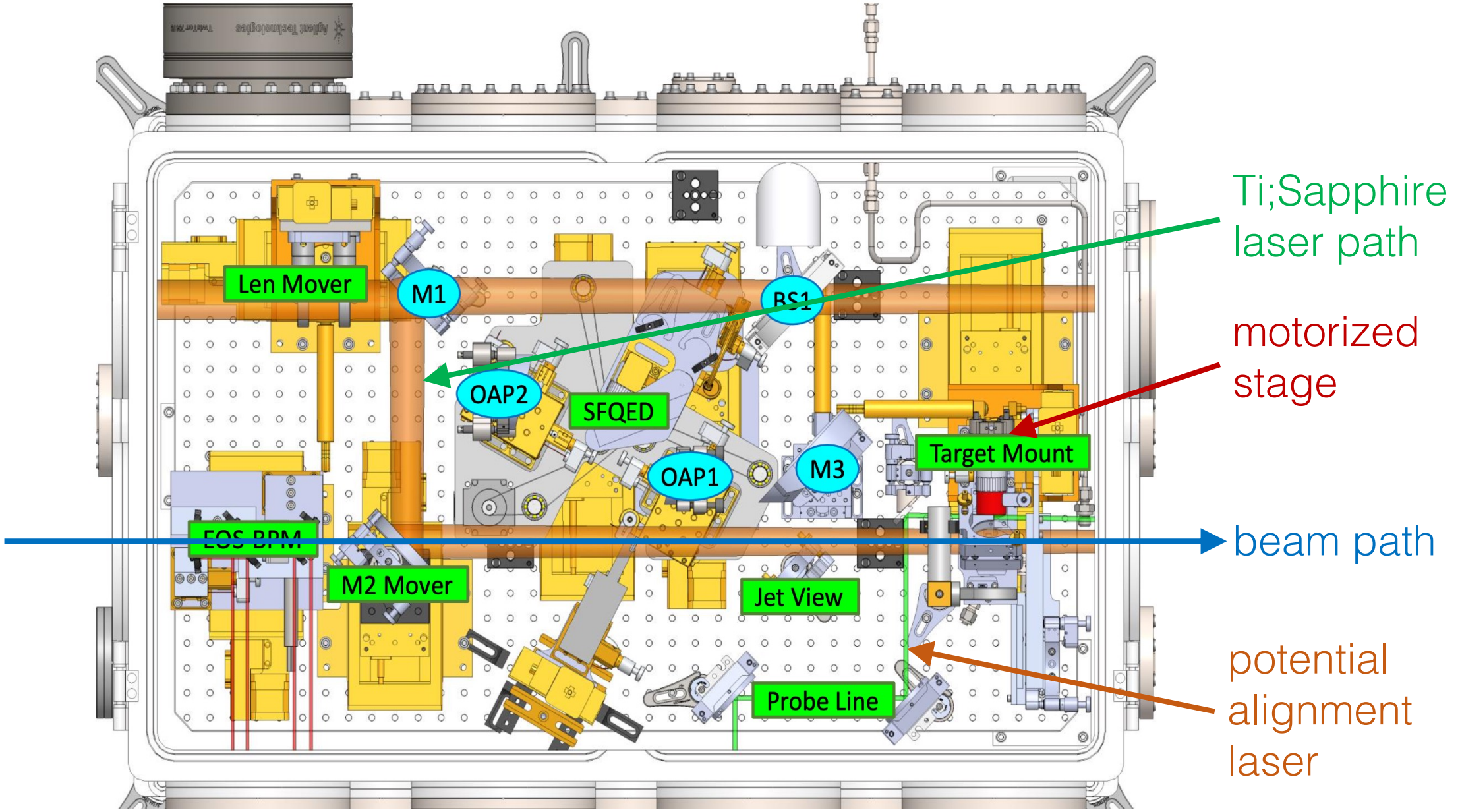
# expt area schematic & picnic-basket chamber



Picnic basket plasmonic sample placement

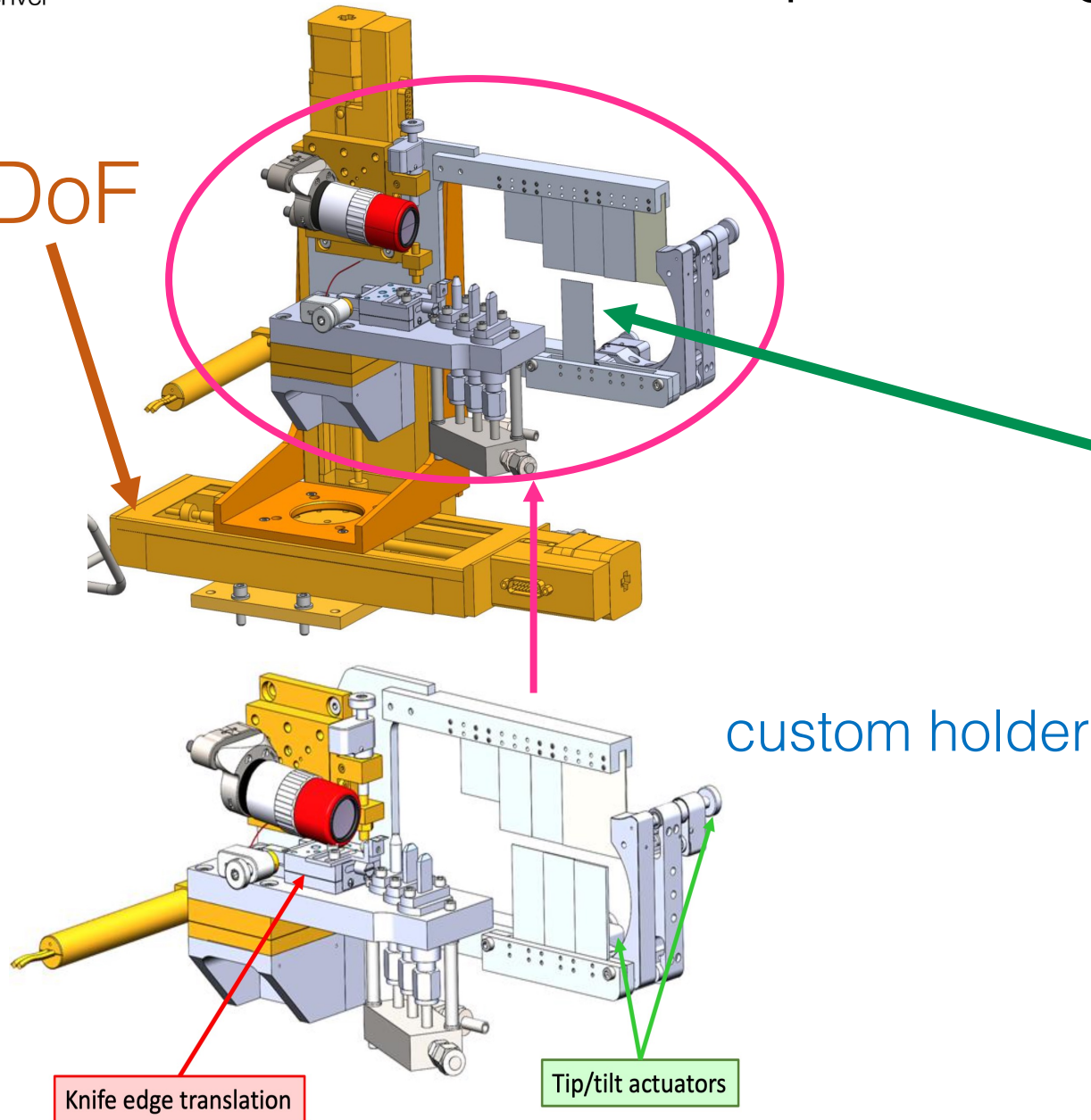
M. Hogan, Expt. area, Sci. meeting 2019

# picnic-basket chamber schematic



# motorized optical stage & custom holder

4 DoF



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