

Multi-objective Optimization of the Matching Beamline for External Injection into a Laser-driven Plasma Accelerator.

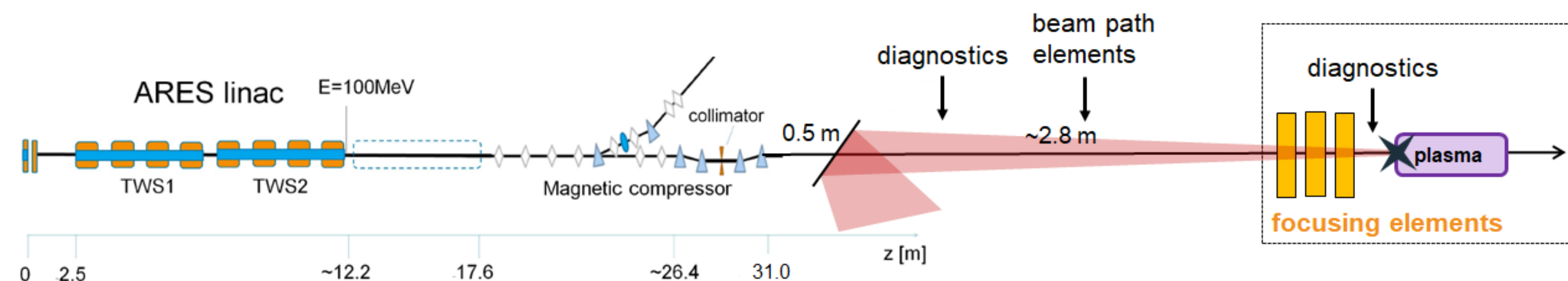


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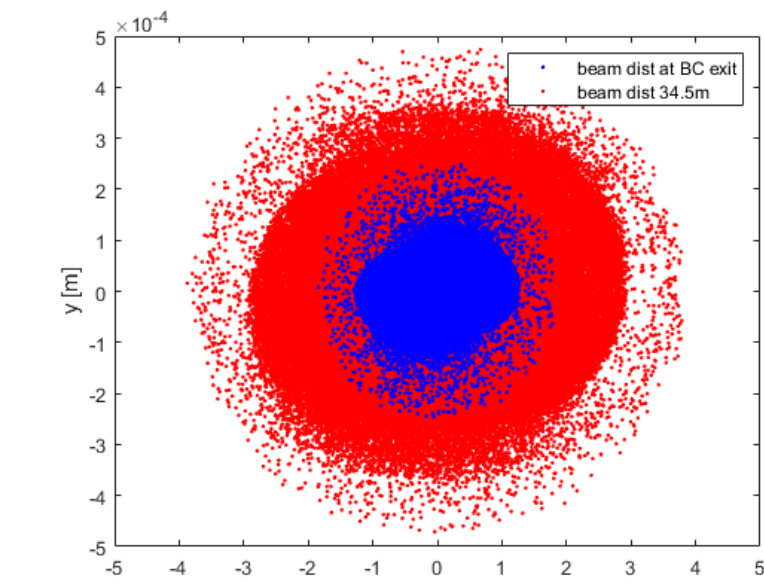
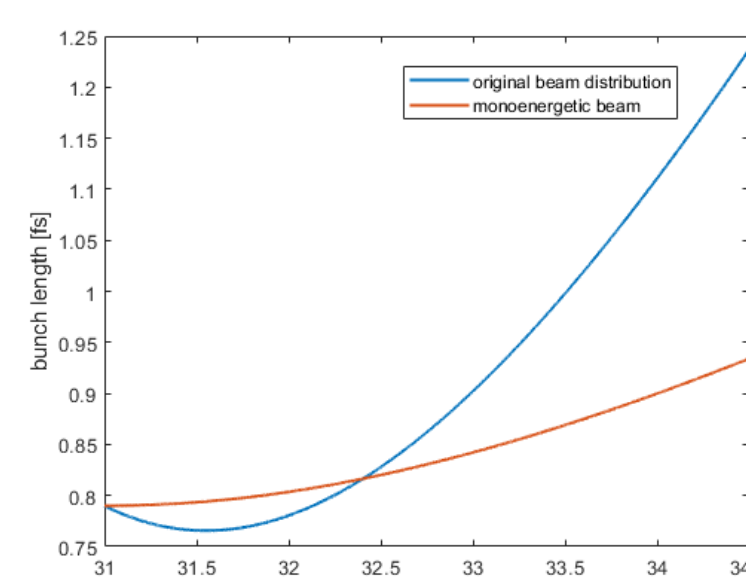
Electron beam matching to a plasma accelerator at SINBAD-ARES

The Accelerator Research Experiment at SINBAD (ARES) is a dedicated accelerator R&D facility at DESY [1].



Motivation for optimizing the matching beamline

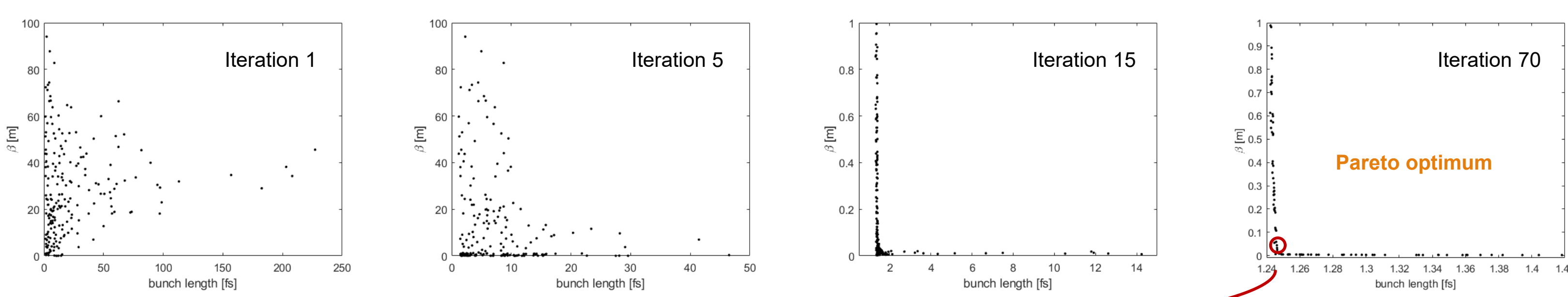
- Fit the requirements for the electron beam at the plasma entrance:
 - Keep the bunch length short from the bunch compressor to the plasma.
 - Focus the beam in the transverse plane.
- Space charge (sc) effects must be considered (see simulation results).
- Tool must be flexible to probe different focusing strategies (permanent quads, electrical quads, plasma lens, ...).
- Several optimization tools do not include sc calculations, need a start setting or require a high CPU usage.



New optimizer based on a multi-objective generic algorithm with particle tracking including space charge

Multi-objective optimization for plasma matching

Evolution of the Pareto optimum front | Optimization of a PMQ triplet



First optimization results for the electron beam matching into plasma at SINBAD-ARES

$\beta_{x,y}$ (@BC exit) = 6 m

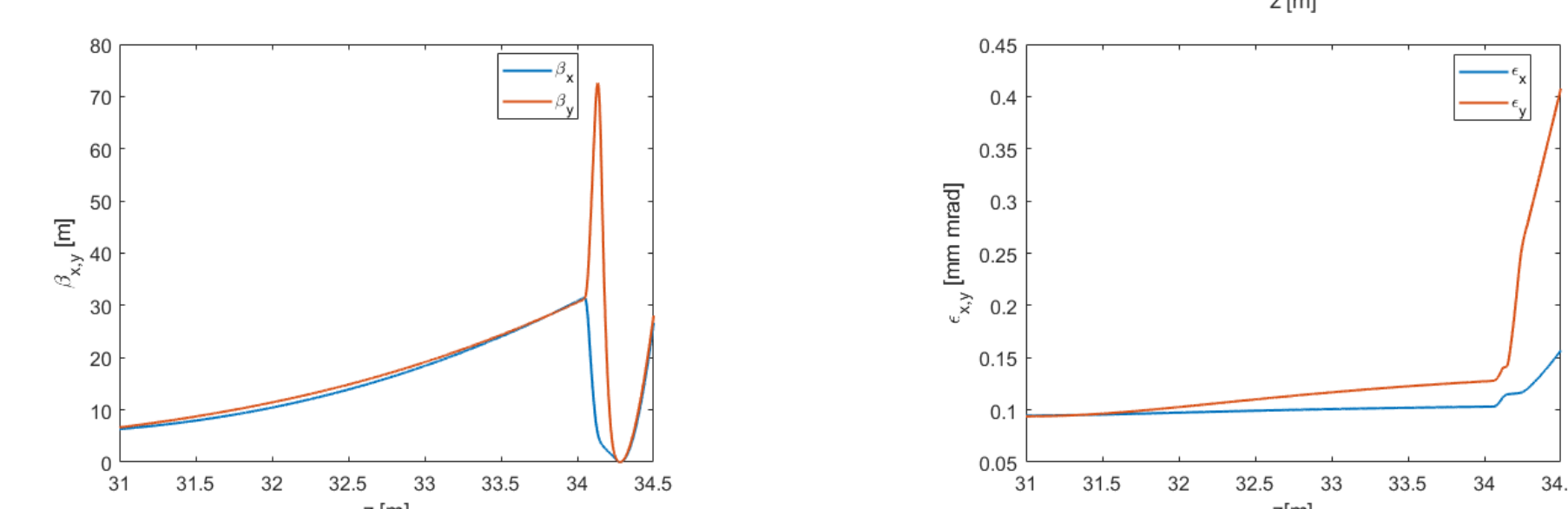
Computational run time:
12 h, 40 parallel Astra runs

One setting for the PMQ triplet

Q1 position [m]	34.06
Q1 gradient [T/m]	102.97
Q1 length [m]	0.03
Q2 position [m]	34.14
Q2 gradient [T/m]	-117.72
Q2 length [m]	0.04
Q3 position [m]	34.25
Q3 gradient [T/m]	160.47
Q3 length [m]	0.05
Plasma entrance (start ramp) [m]	34.28

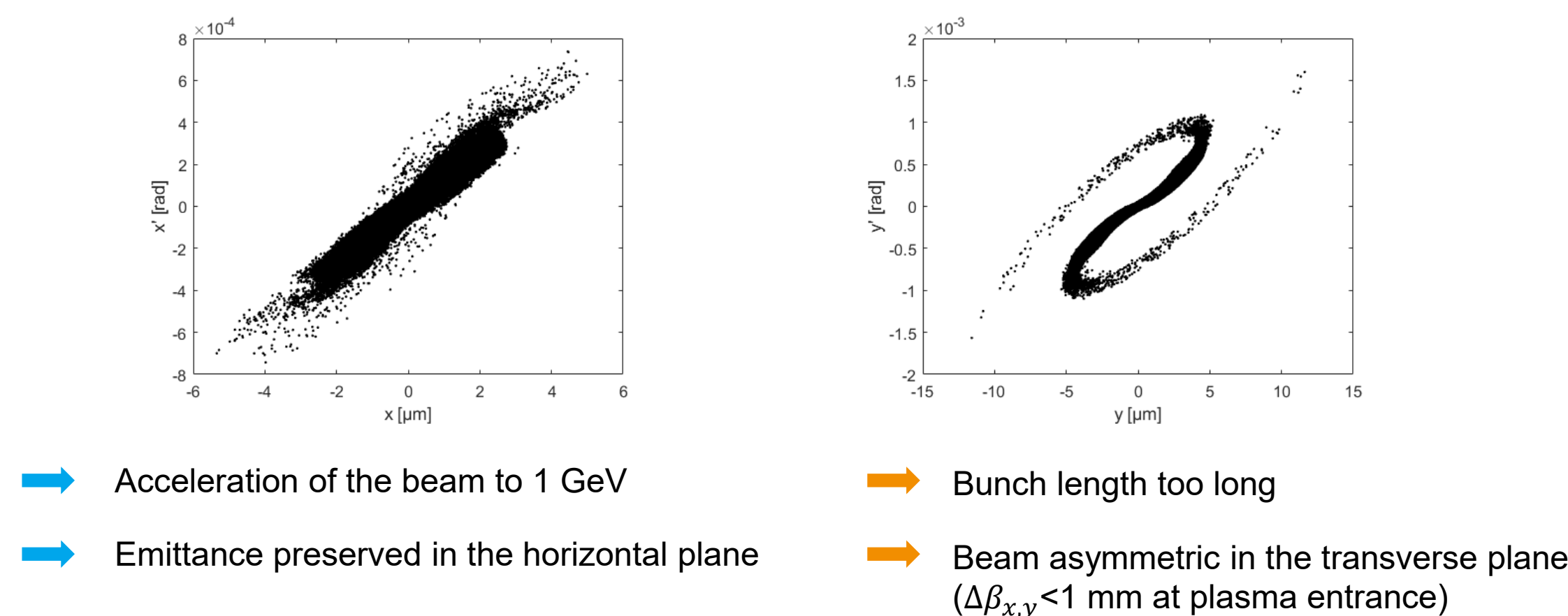
Beam parameters at the plasma entrance

q_b [pC]	0.78
σ_z [fs]	1.38
$\beta_{x,y}$ [mm]	2.6 / 1.2
$\epsilon_{x,y}$ [mm mrad]	0.12 / 0.27
$\sigma_{x,y}$ [μm]	1.27 / 1.29
$\alpha_{x,y}$	1.38 / 1.0
σ_E [%]	0.3



Check beam distribution in a plasma simulation [3]

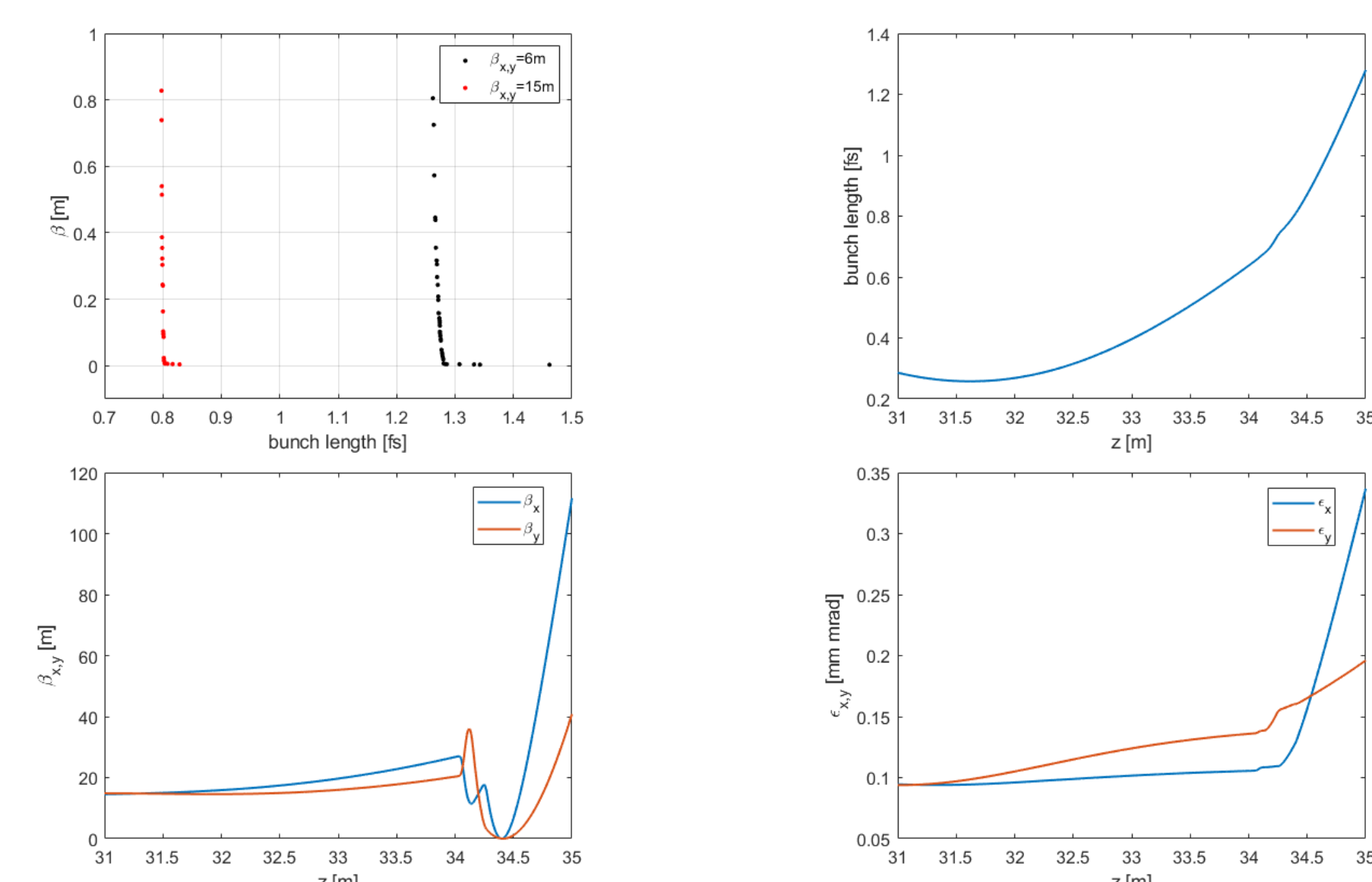
Beam parameters	at plasma entrance	at plasma exit
q_b [pC]	0.78	0.78
E [MeV]	100	1064
σ_z [fs]	1.38	1.61
$\beta_{x,y}$ [mm]	2.6 / 1.2	30.6 / 26.5
$\epsilon_{x,y}$ [mm mrad]	0.12 / 0.27	0.12 / 0.45
$\sigma_{x,y}$ [μm]	1.27 / 1.29	1.32 / 2.36
$\alpha_{x,y}$	1.38 / 1.0	-4.14 / -3.61
σ_E [%]	0.3	0.7
I_{peak} [kA]	0.56	0.48



Improved optimization results

$\beta_{x,y}$ (@BC exit) = 15 m

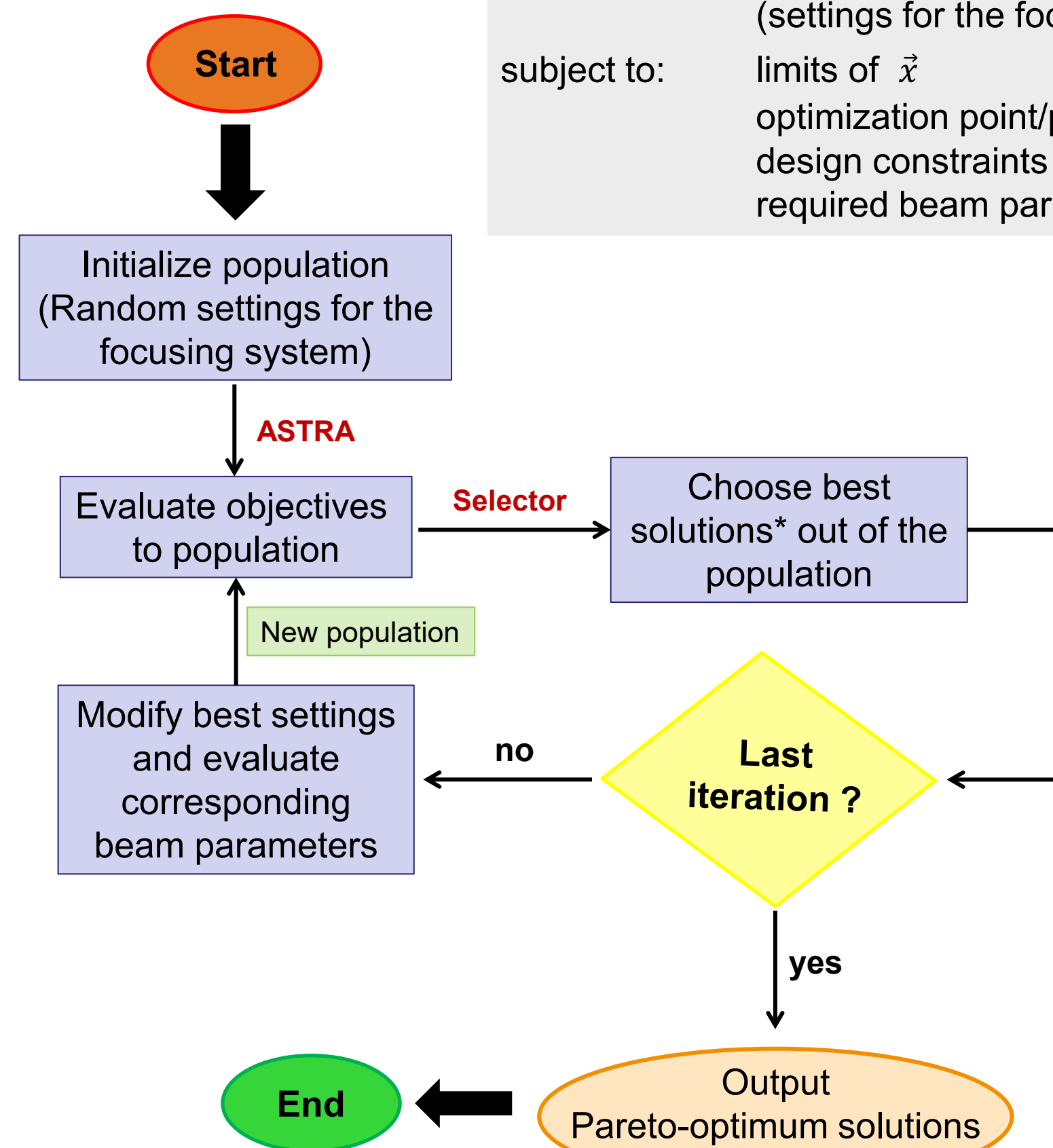
- β -function at the BC exit artificially increased to $\beta_{x,y} = 15$ m.
- Final bunch length at plasma entrance significantly improved. Peak current $I_{peak} = 0.98$ kA
- Additional constrain: $\beta_x - \beta_y < 1$ mm



Program Setup

SPEA2 algorithm [2] implemented in a MATLAB script
Beamline simulated with the particle tracking program ASTRA

Minimize: objectives $\beta(\vec{x}) = \sqrt{\beta_x^2 + \beta_y^2, \sigma_z(\vec{x})}$
depending on: decision variables \vec{x} (settings for the focusing system)
subject to: limits of \vec{x}
optimization point/plasma entrance
design constraints (laser, diagnostics,...)
required beam parameters at the plasma



* Each solution in a population is one complete setting for the focusing system (magnet position(s), magnet length(s), focusing strength(s), ...)

Summary and Outlook

Developed optimization tool based on a MOGA algorithm:

- finds **stable settings** for a focusing system to match an electron beam to a plasma accelerator.
- maps out the **physical limits** of the matching area and the focusing system.
- enables to test/optimize **different focusing strategies**.
- allows to **study beam dynamics** in the matching area.

Next steps:

- The limits of the decision variables should cover the full dynamic range of the parameter space.
→ Calculate suitable settings based on the effective focal length.
- The optimizer can be used for the design of the matching area at SINAD-ARES.

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