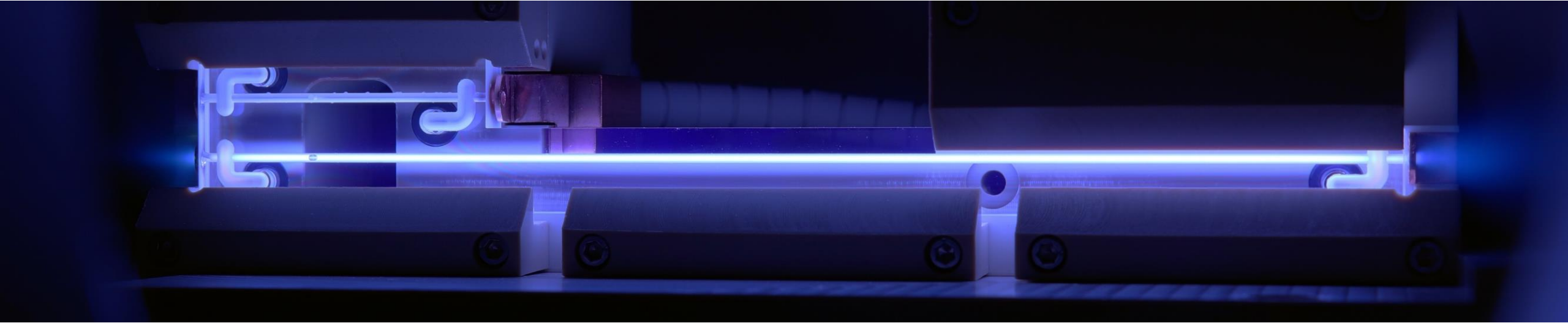


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Applications in photon science and high-energy-physics

Plenary talk
Friday 11:00
Carl A. Lindström

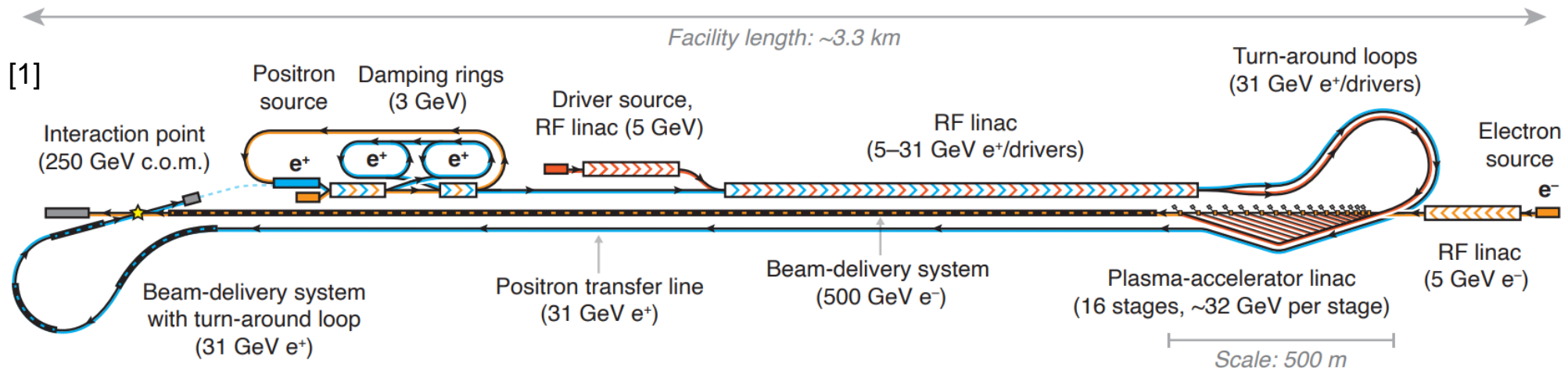
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Monday 19:00
Sarah Schröder

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Integrated
Brightness

$$B \propto \frac{Q f_{rep}}{\epsilon_x \epsilon_y \sigma_E}$$

Luminosity

$$\mathcal{L} \propto \frac{Q f_{rep}}{\sigma_x(\epsilon_x) \sigma_y(\epsilon_y)}$$

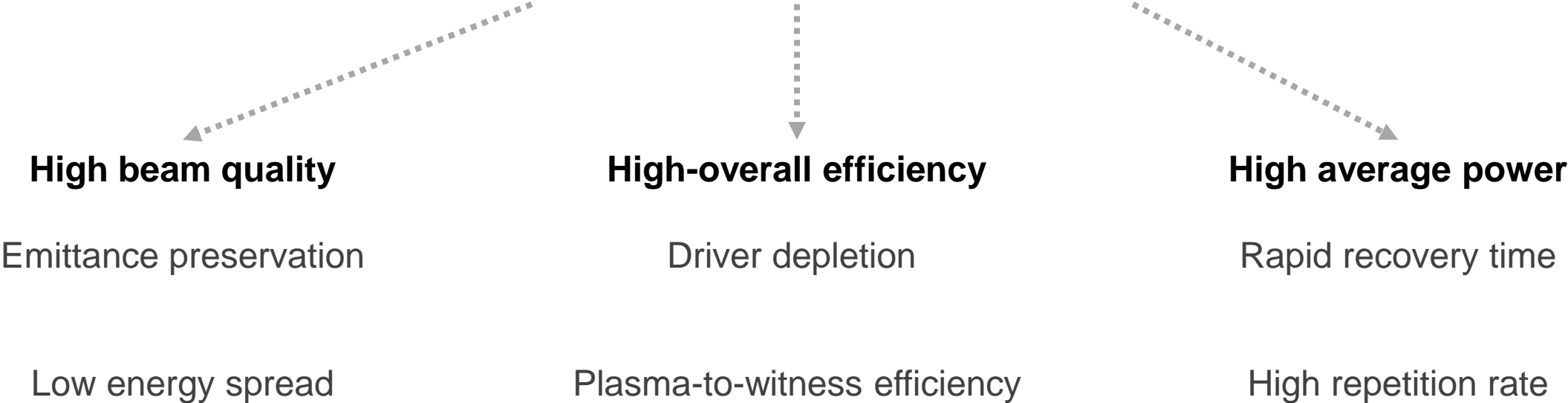
bunch charge $\mathcal{O}(\text{nC})$
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And: Energy gain, energy-transfer efficiency

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FLASHForward ►► at DESY

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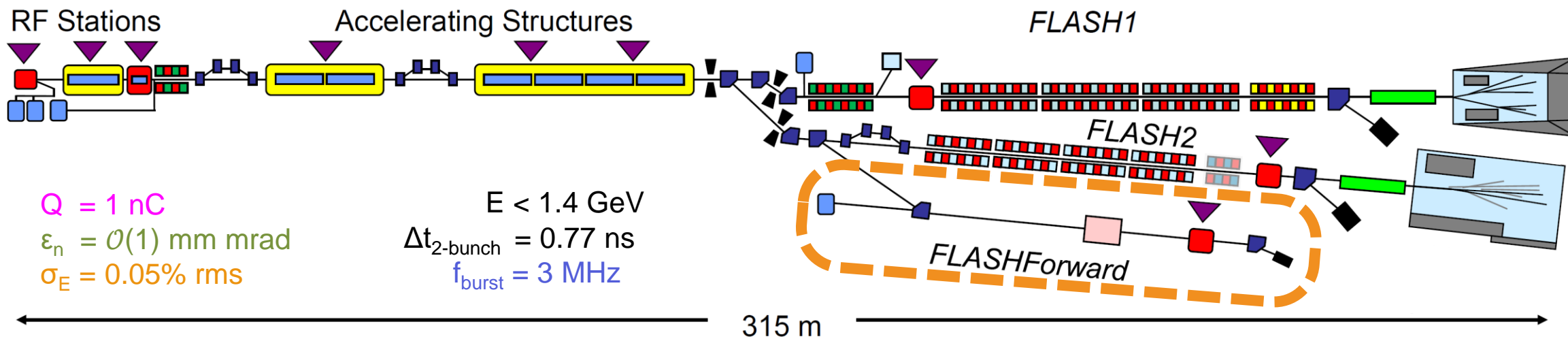


Photo: Google earth
S. Schreiber *et al.*, High Power Laser Science and Engineering, 3 (2015)
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FLASHForward Facility

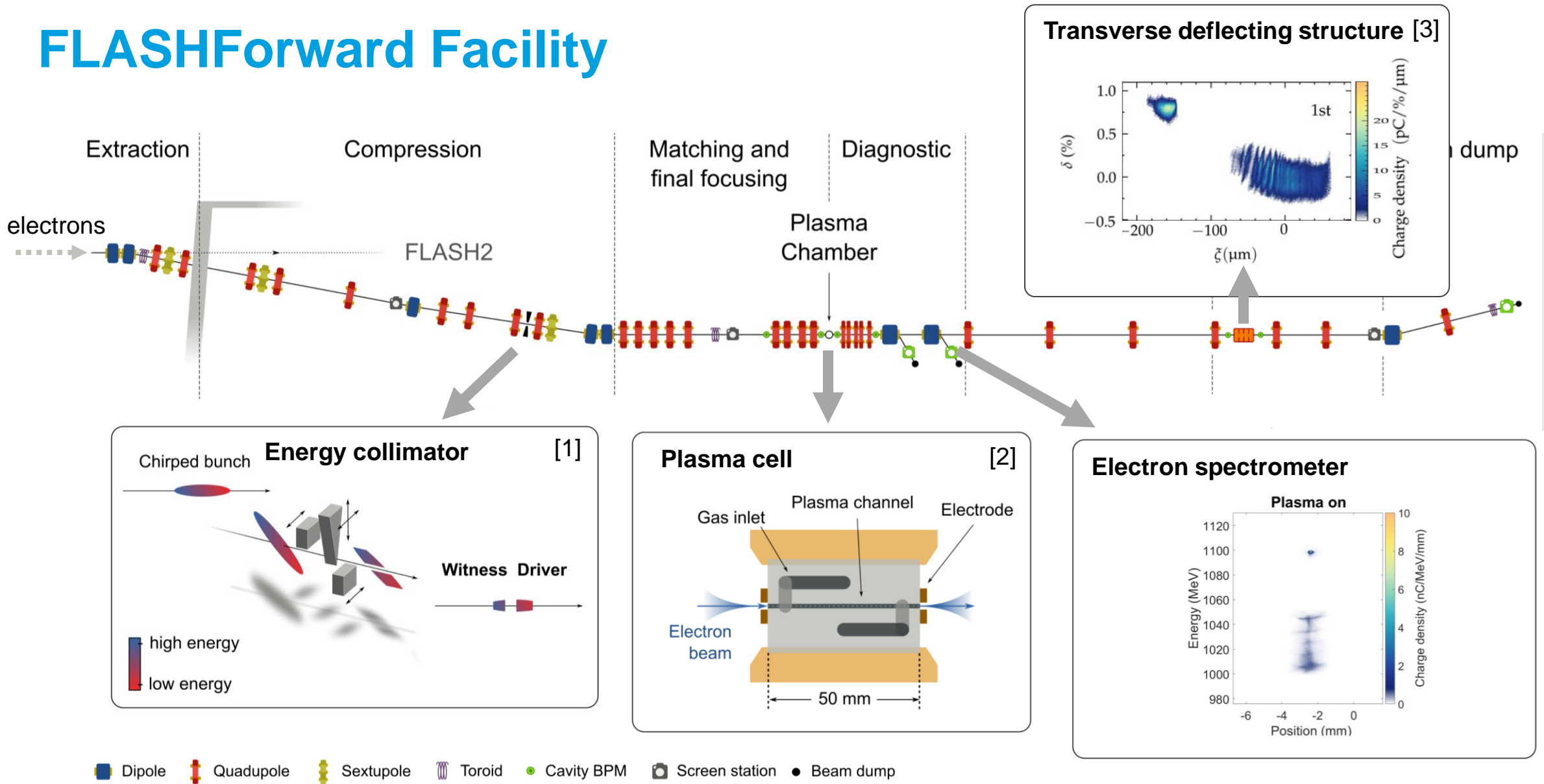


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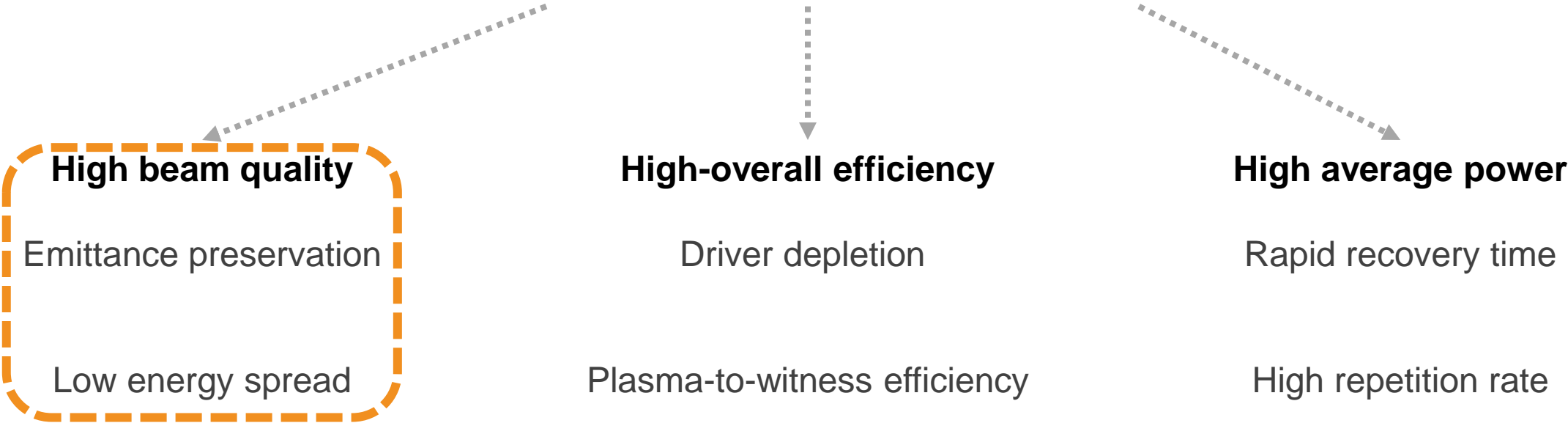
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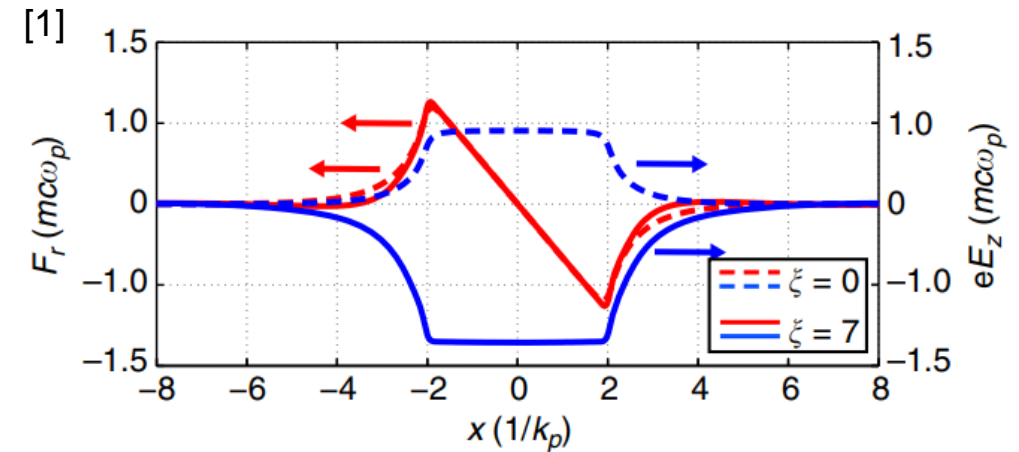
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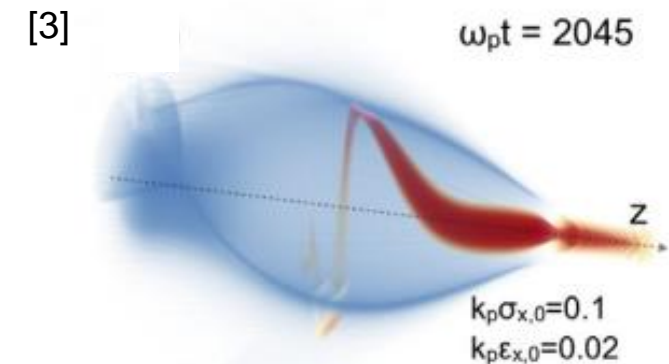


There are many processes that degrade emittance

- > All plasma electrons expelled in the blowout regime
 - > **Linear focusing fields** from the ion column
 - can in principle preserve emittance
- > **Sources of degradation** [2]
 - > Phase mixing for different long. slices (beta-mismatch)
 - > Sampling of non-linear focusing fields of cavity sheath
 - > Transverse misalignment → hosing instability
 - > Ion motion (inside bubble)
 - > Gas scattering



Linear transverse forces (in red) in the blow-out regime



Hosing instability simulation

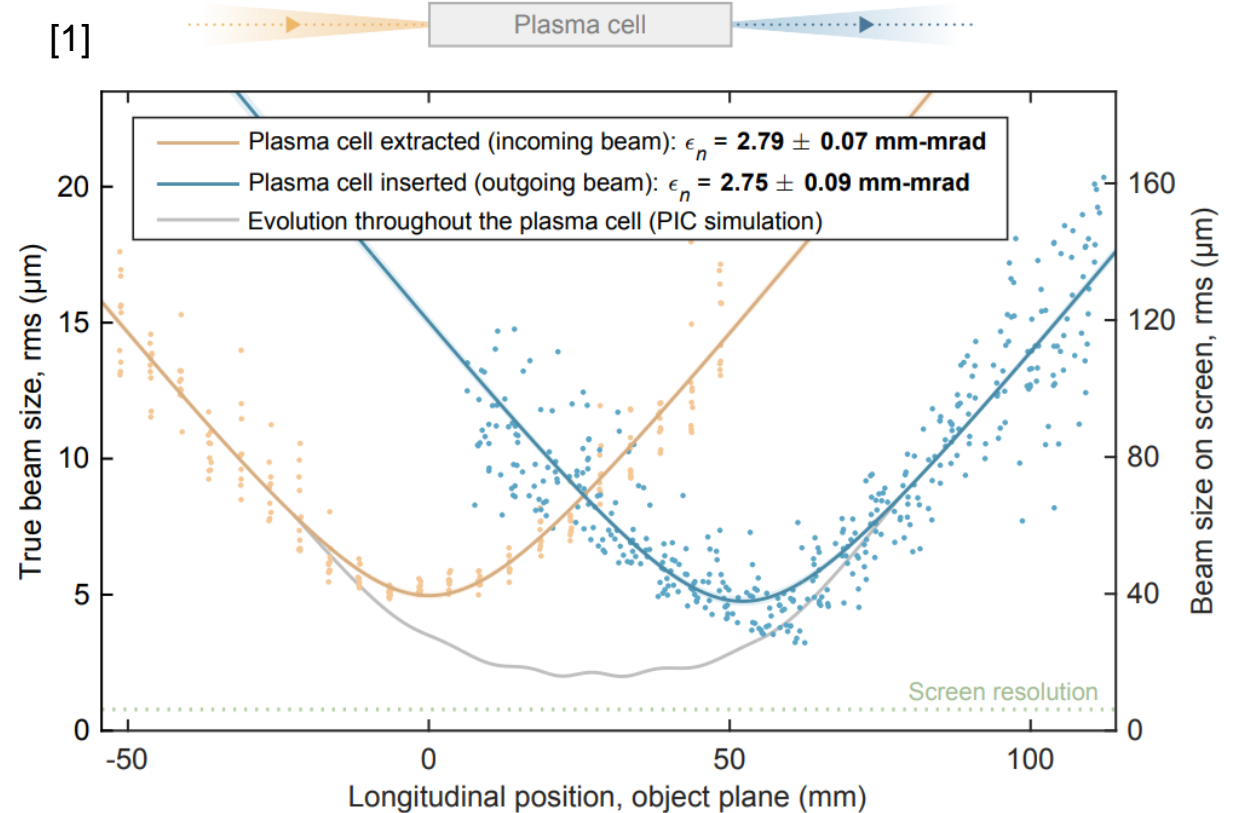
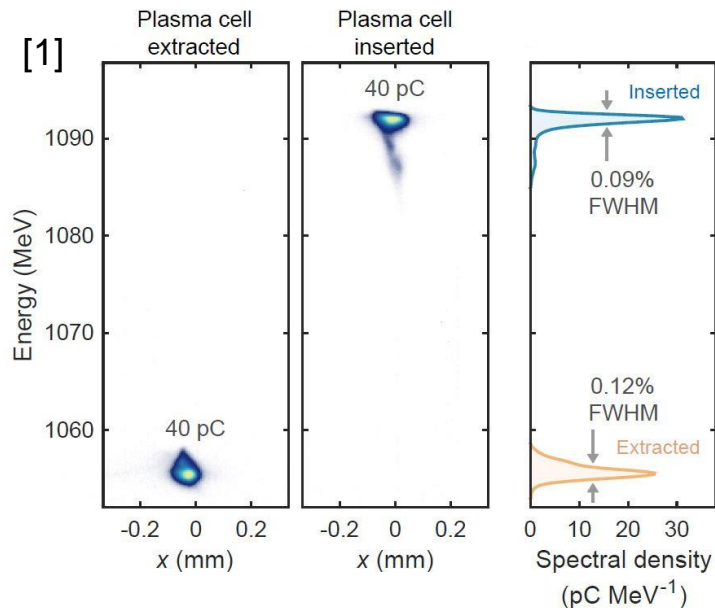
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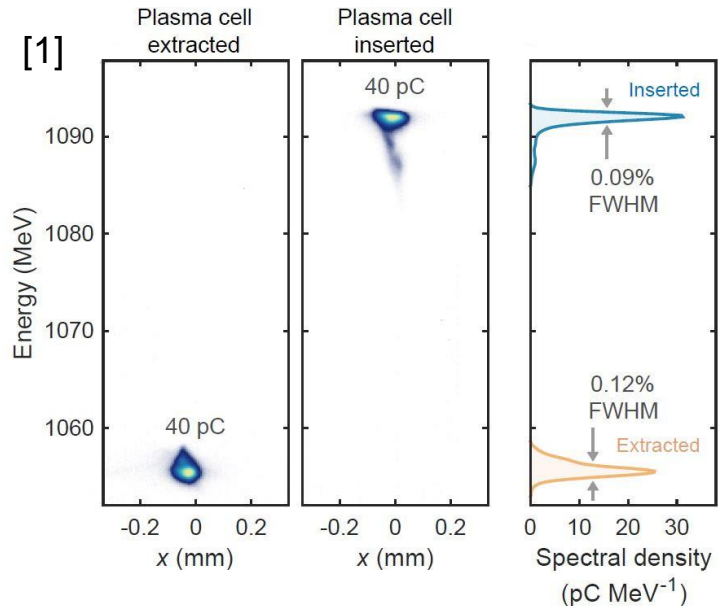
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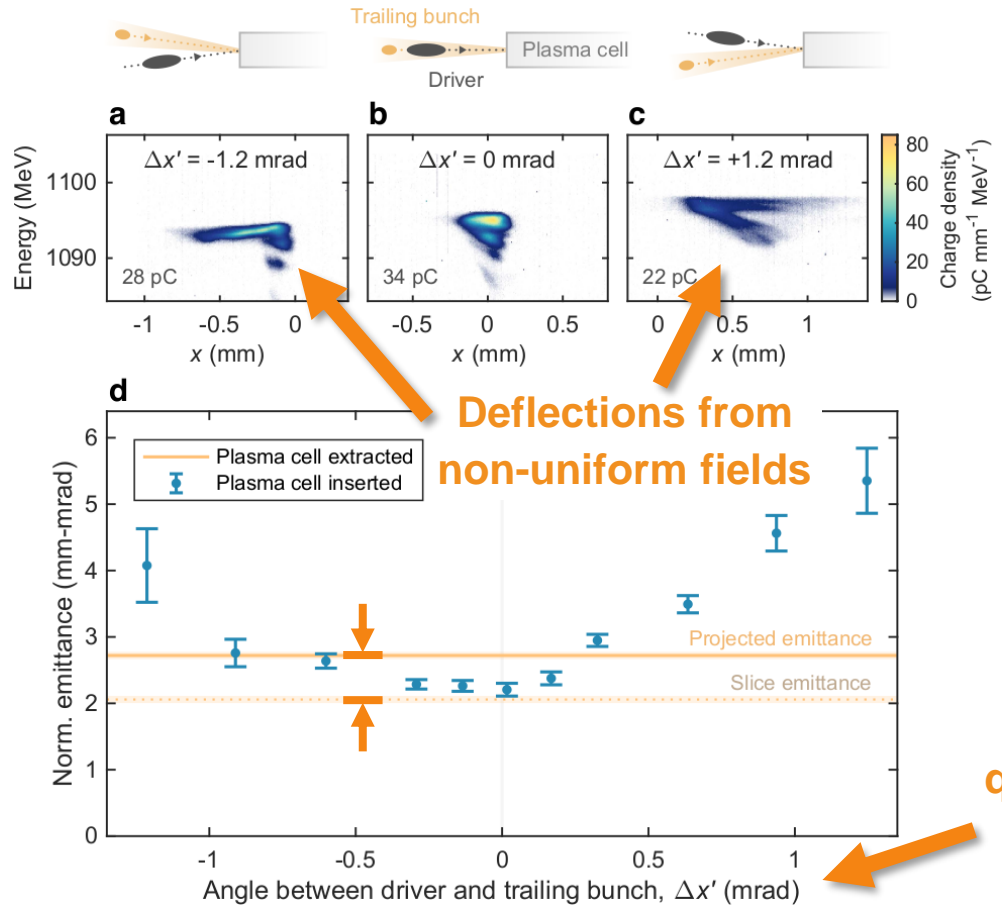


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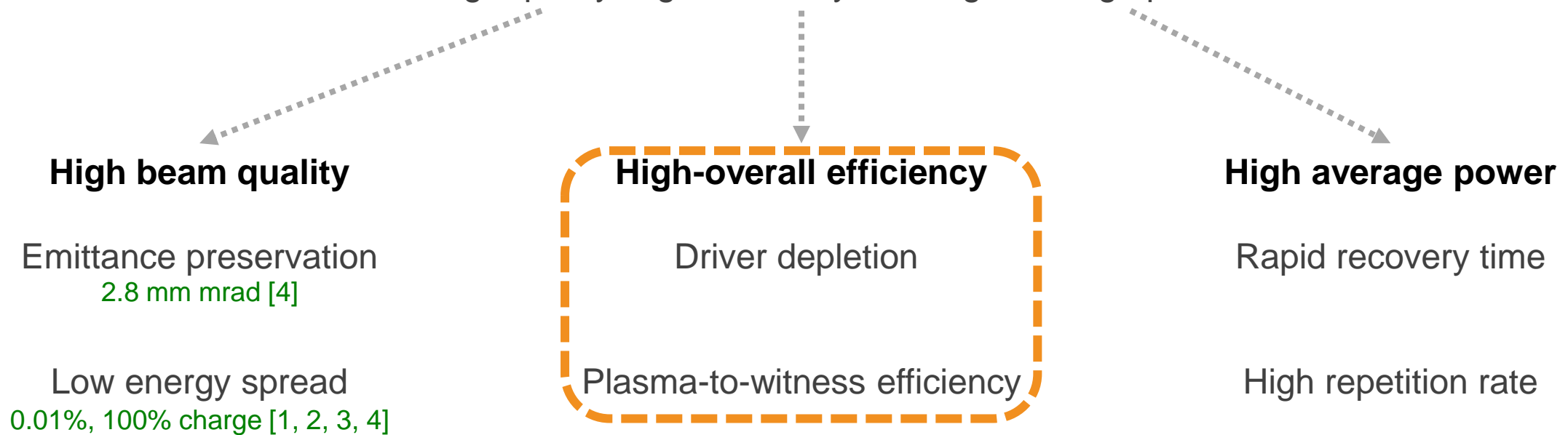
High precision in alignment (0.1 mrad) and matching (mm scale) required!



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> We have to demonstrate at least the same energy-transfer efficiency!

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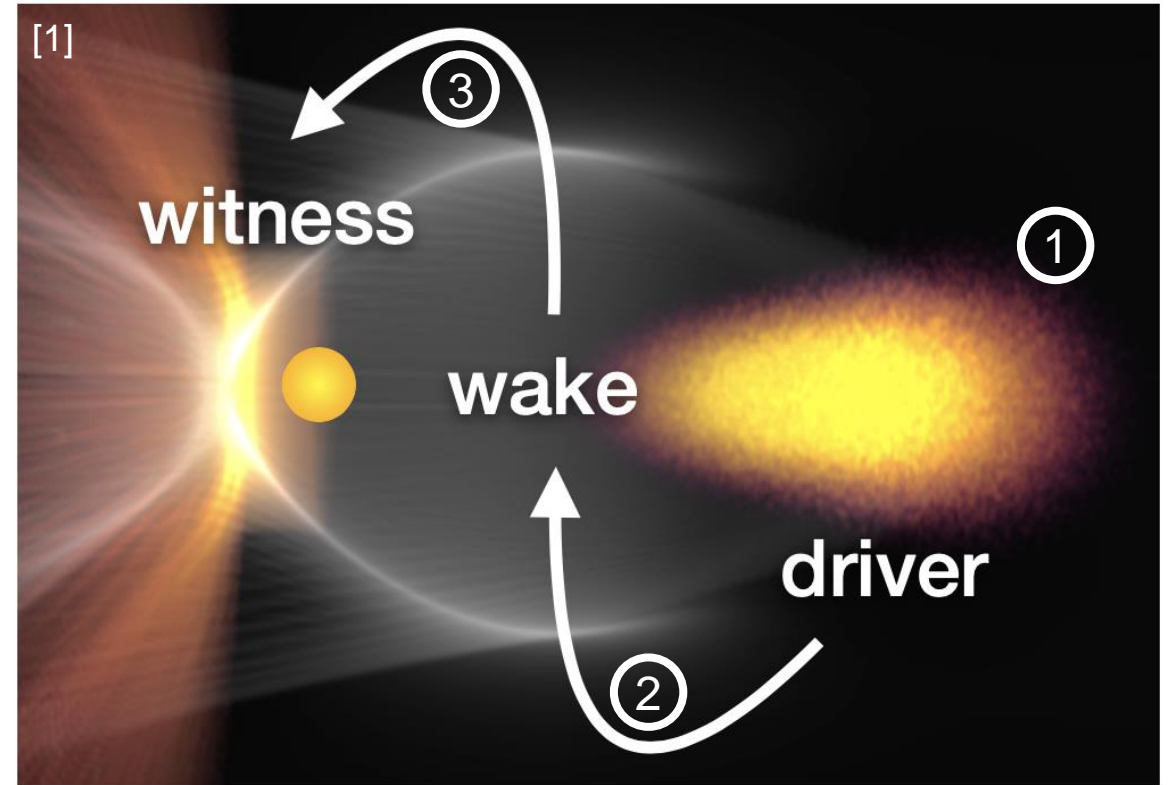
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How much is experimentally possible?
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Electron reacceleration is the limit of depletion

HiPACE++ simulations show reacceleration of energy depleted electrons

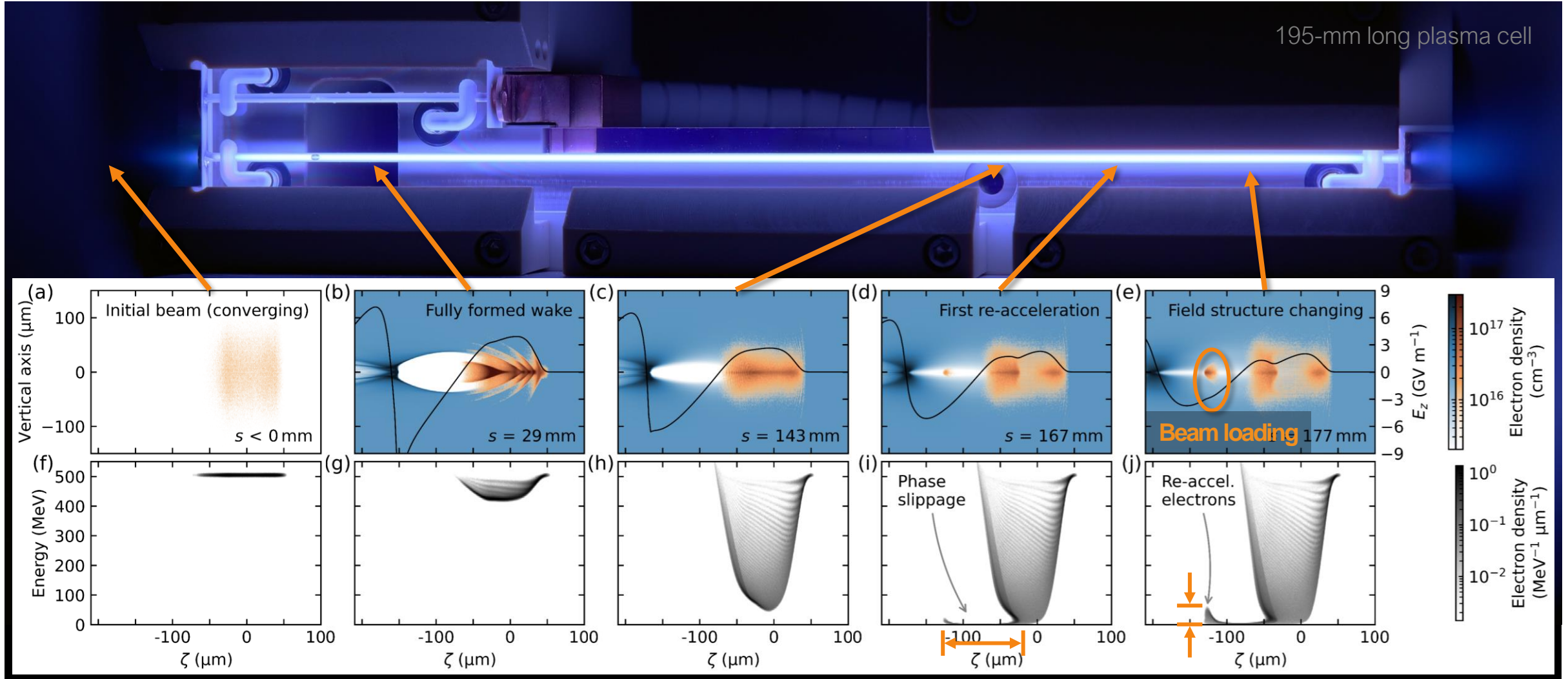
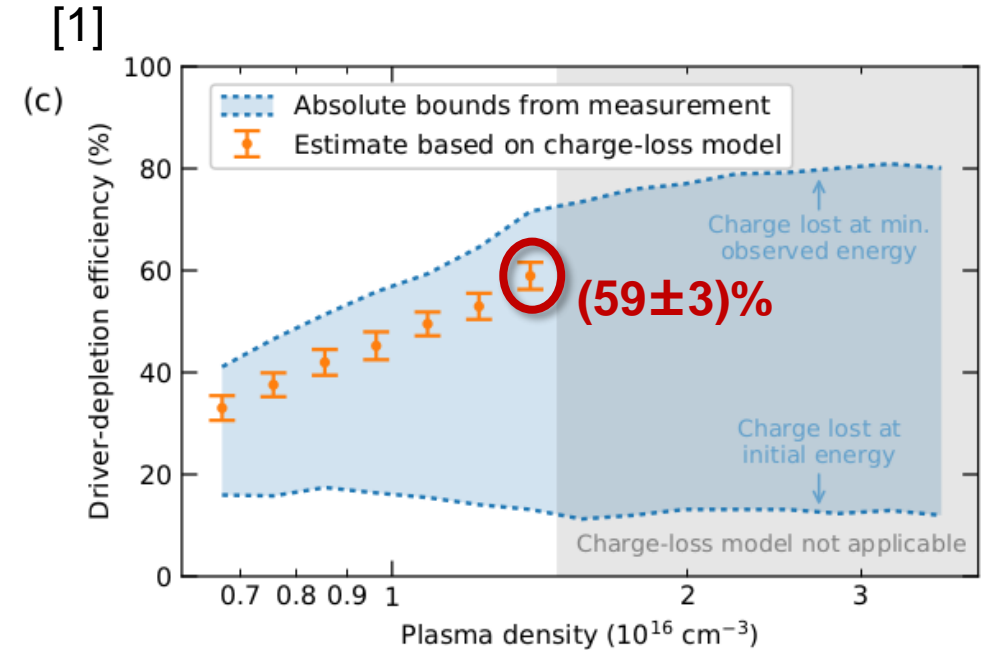
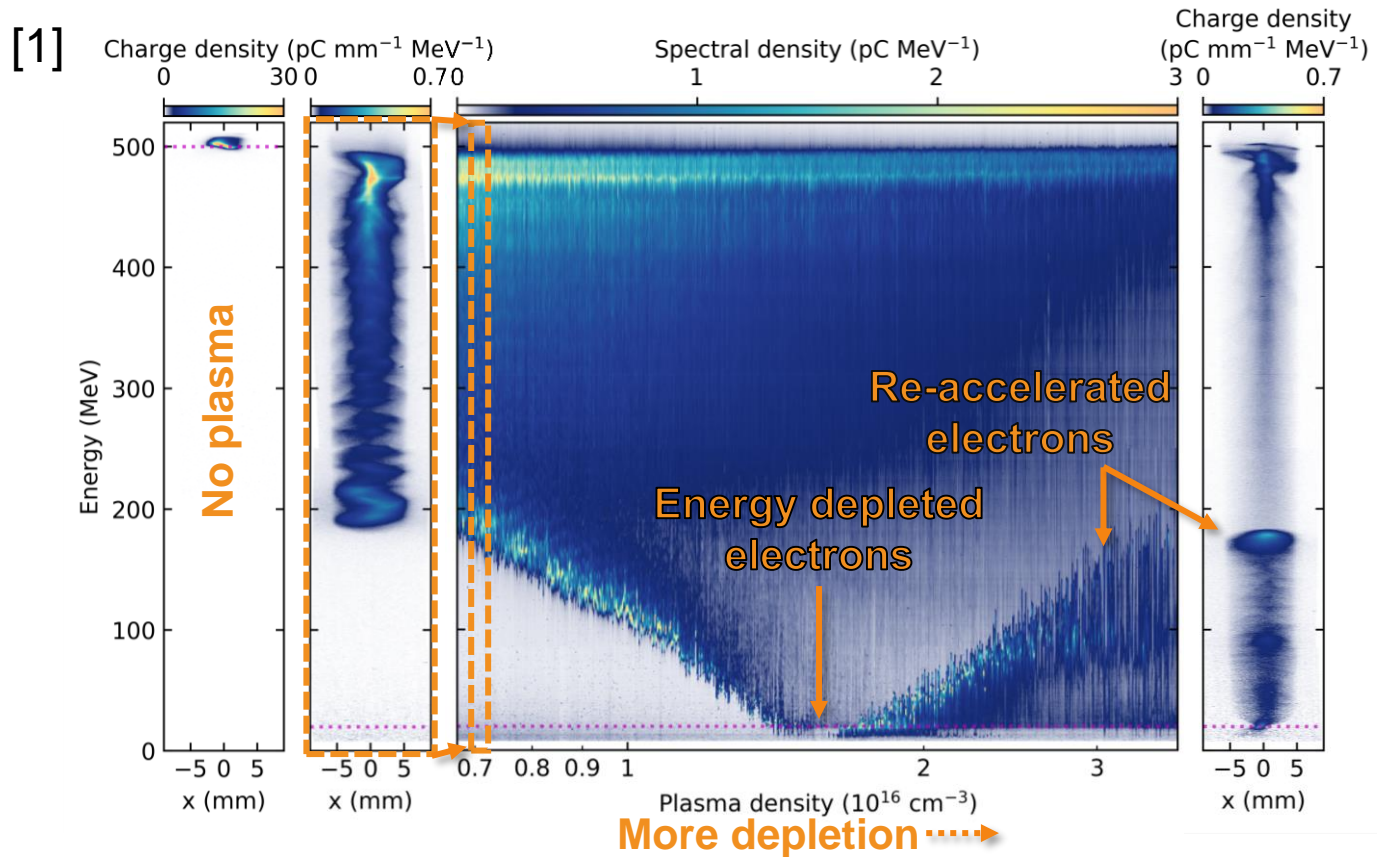


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Re-acceleration and driver energy depletion

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Monday 17:25
F. Peña



- > If combined with prev. record: 59% driver-to-wake \cdot 42% wake-to-witness [2] = 25% driver-to-witness
 - > With CLIC's 55% wall-plug-to-driver efficiency [3]
 - \rightarrow **would yield 14 % wall-plug-to-witness efficiency**

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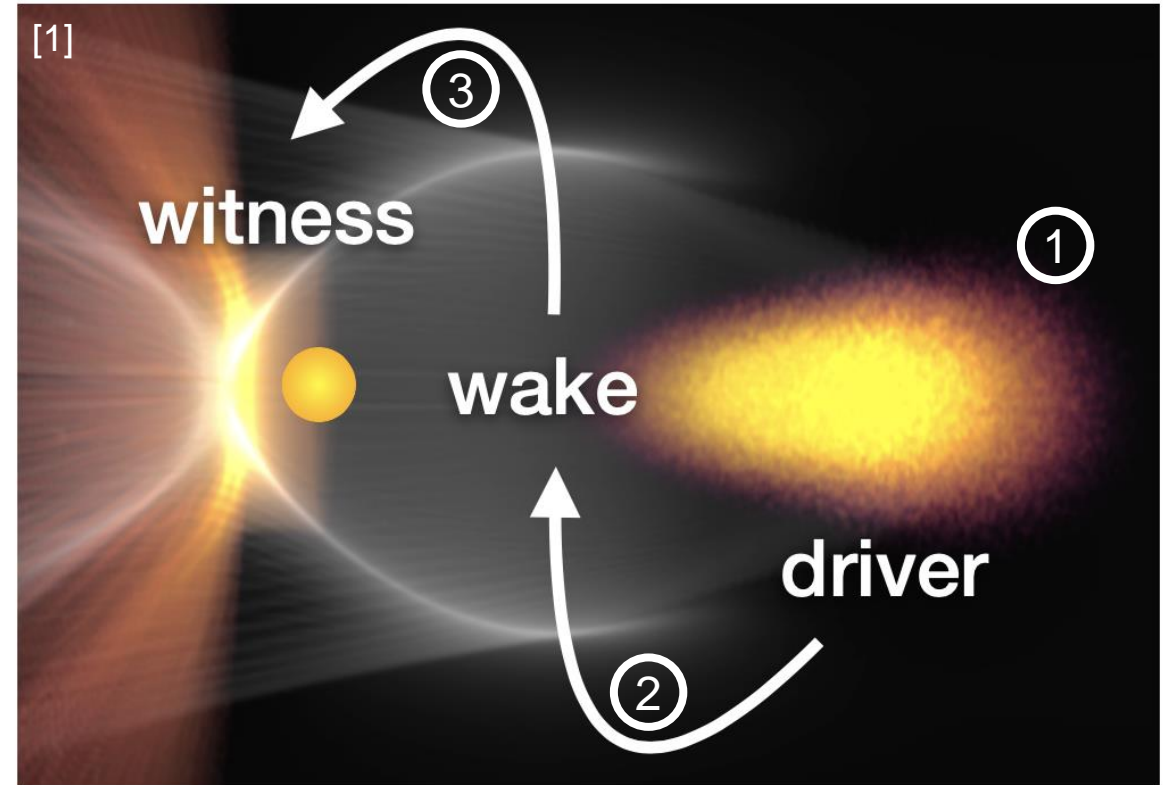
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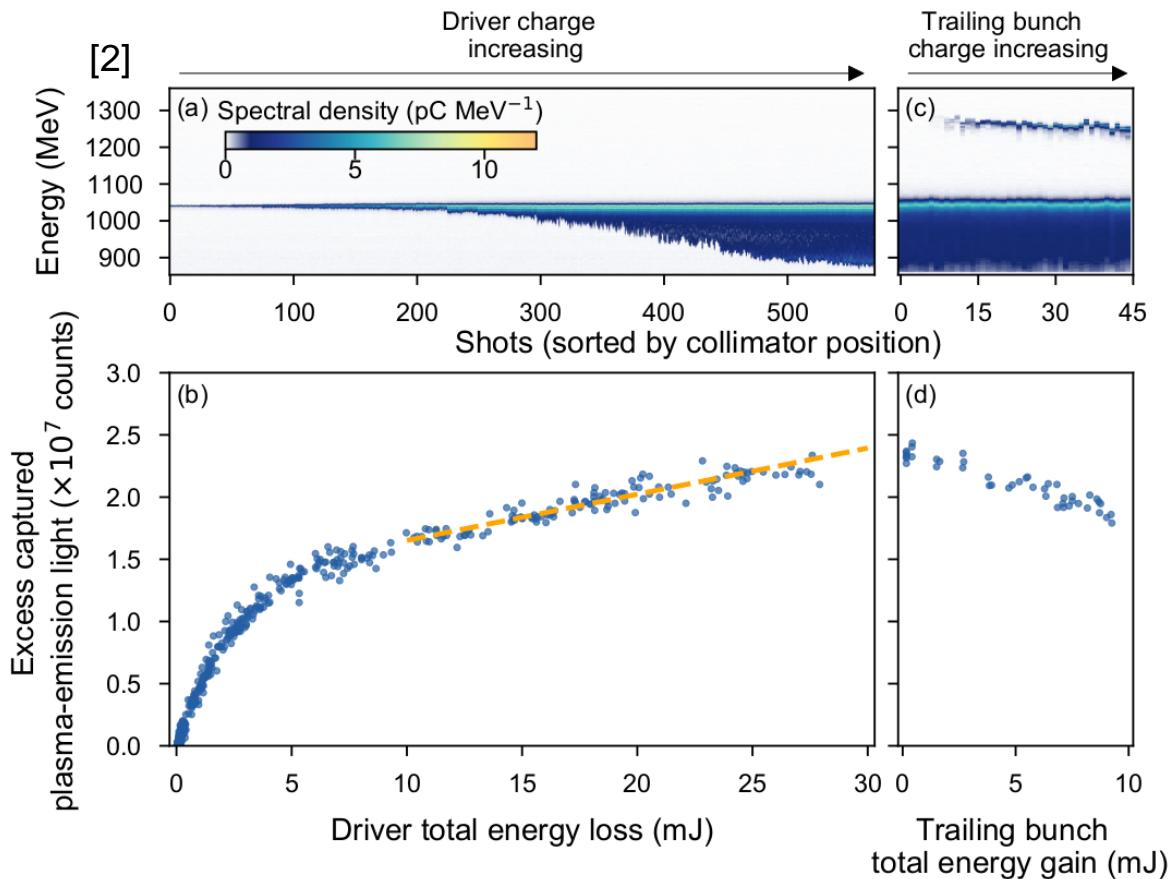
preserving
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- [5] C. A. Lindstrøm *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **126**, 014801 (2021)
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A non-invasive method to measure extraction efficiency

Plasma light intensity is a function of residual energy after beam-plasma interaction [1]



- > **Plasma emits light** during recombination
- > Light intensity is only dependent on the final energy deposited, regardless if a trailing bunch was involved
- > Recipe (at constant density)
 1. Correlate plasma light to driver energy deposition (e.g., on energy spectrometer)With a fixed driver and adding a trailing bunch:
 2. Measure the plasma light decrease and estimate energy extraction

[1] E. Öz *et al.*, AIP Conference Proceedings **737**, 708 (2004)

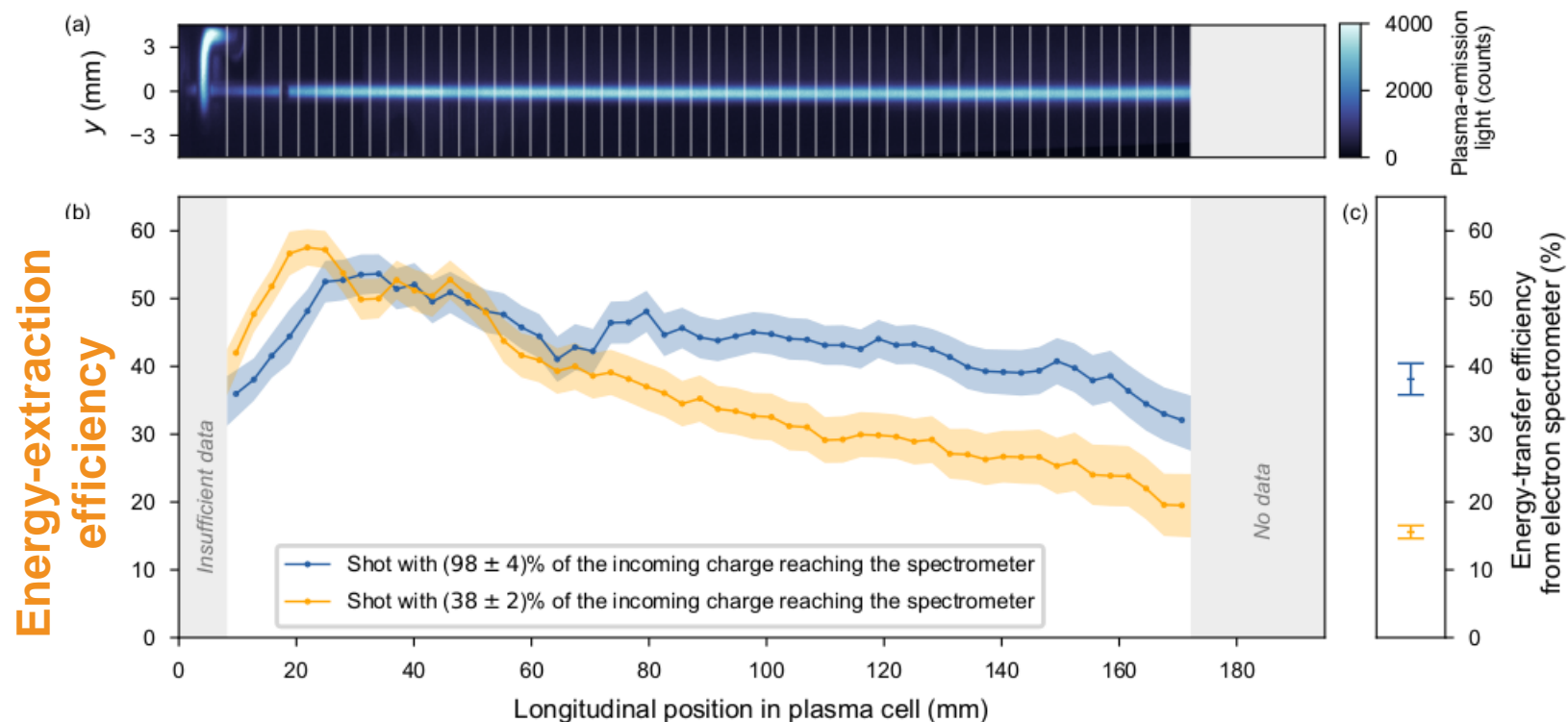
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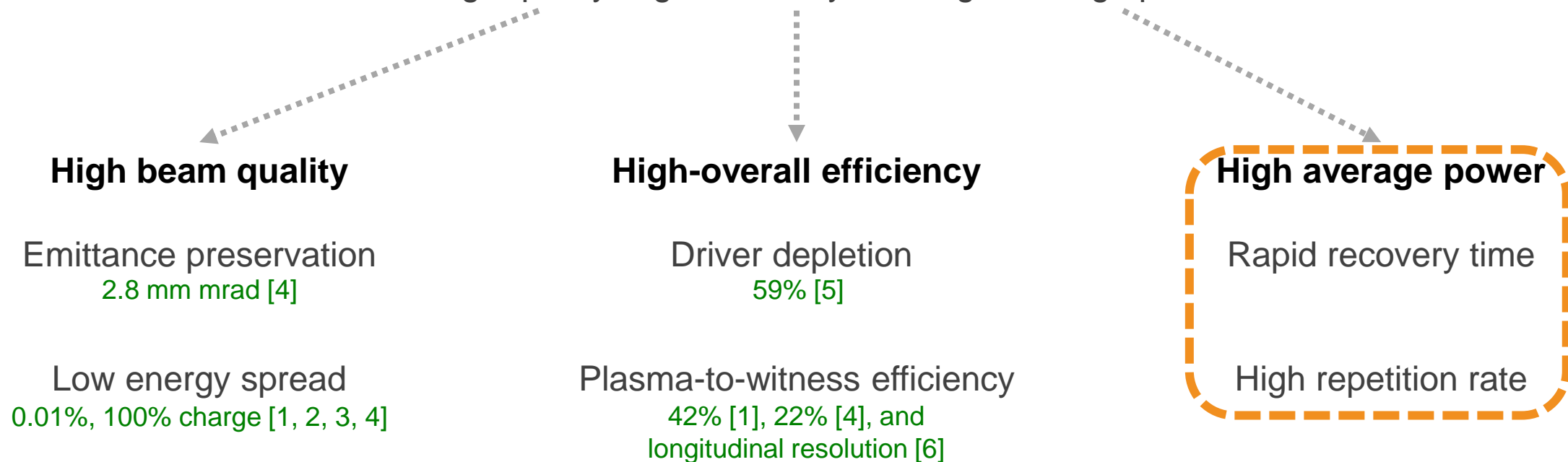
- > Can be used in optimization of multistage accelerators on **shot-to-shot** basis
- > Spectrometer can suffer from charge loss in transport
- > Potential diagnostic for transverse instabilities



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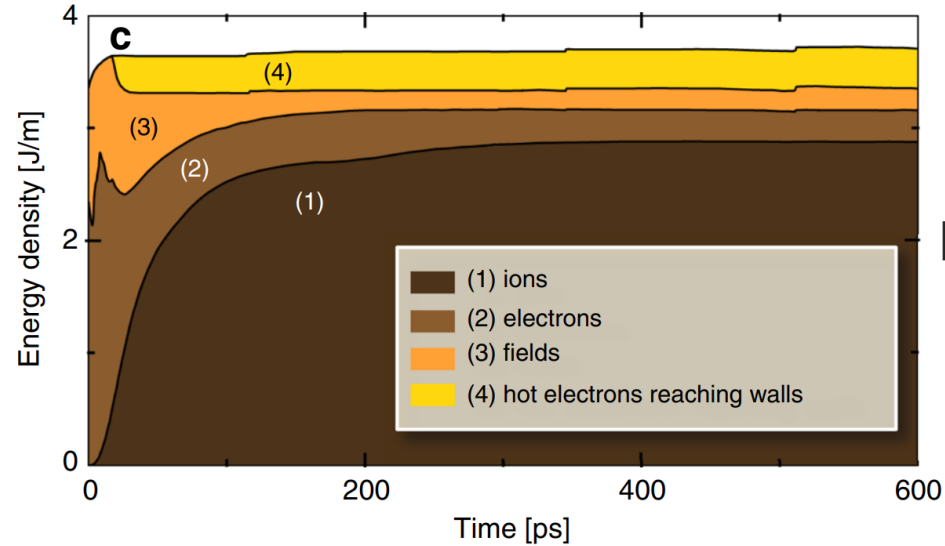
Energy dissipates through different channels

Most prominent energy dissipation channel: Ion Motion

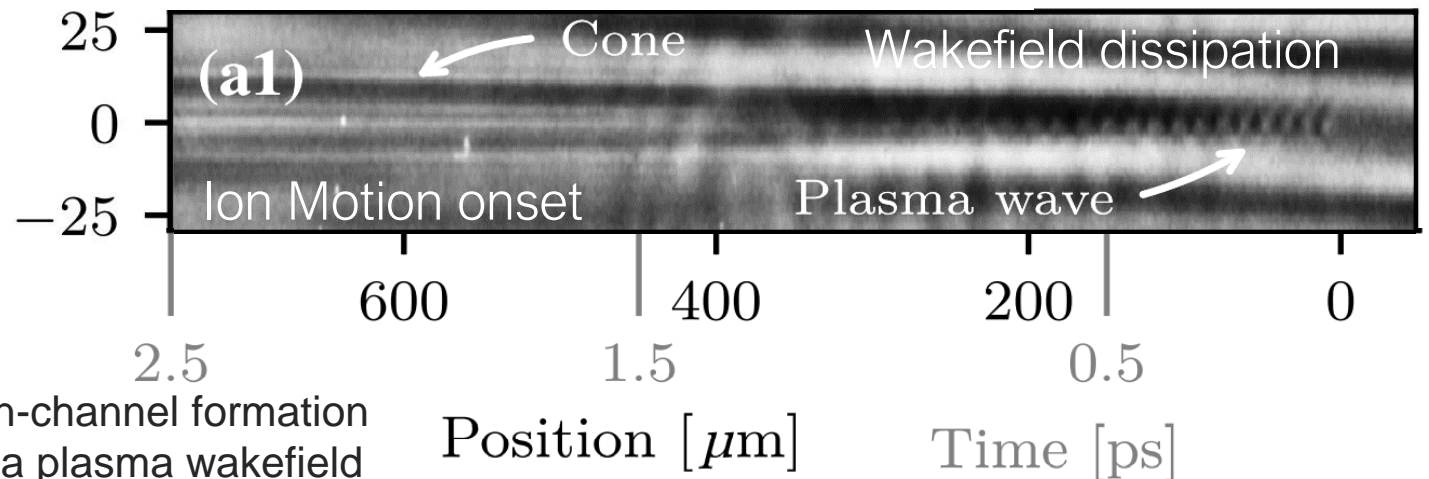
> Only the first plasma cavity is useful

> For accelerating again in plasma:
need to wait for the wakefield to
dissipate into the plasma
(*plasma recovery*)

> Dissipation processes in plasma are in
ns-us timescale



[1] Energy transport channels in PWFA

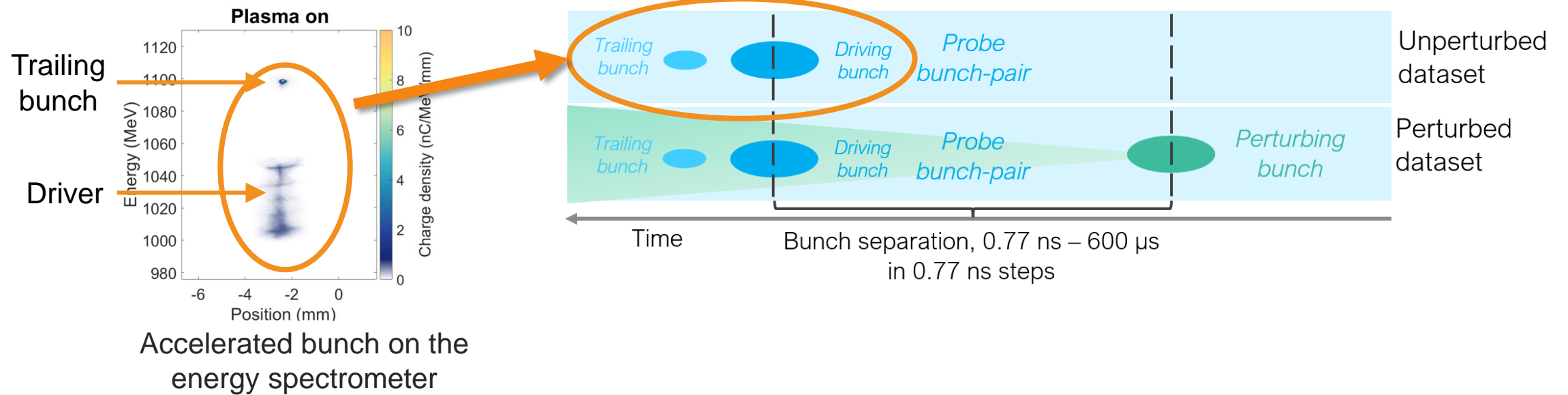


[2] Ion-channel formation from a plasma wakefield

[1] R. Zgadzaj et al, Nat. Comms., **11**, 4753 (2020)

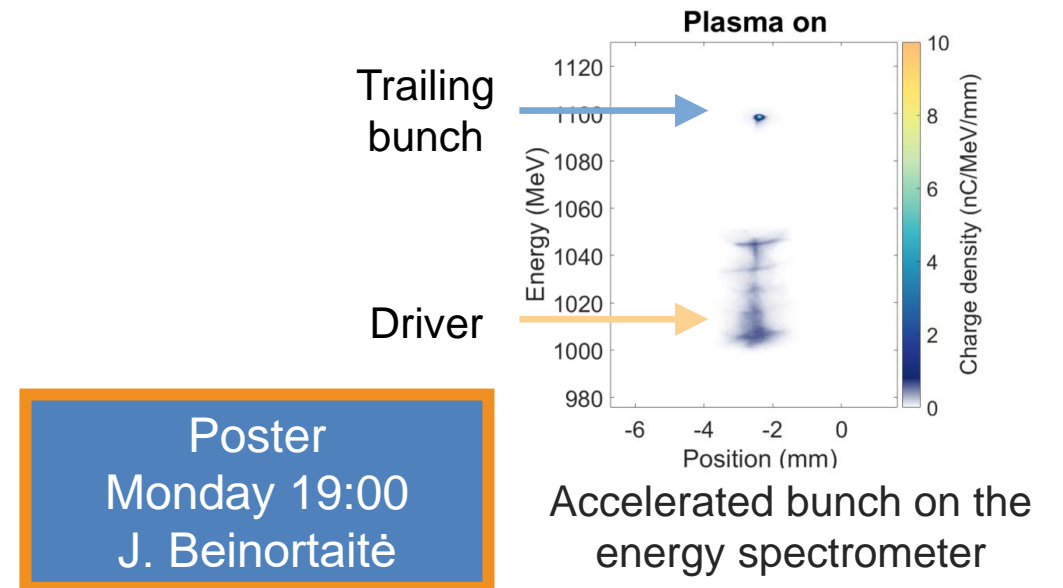
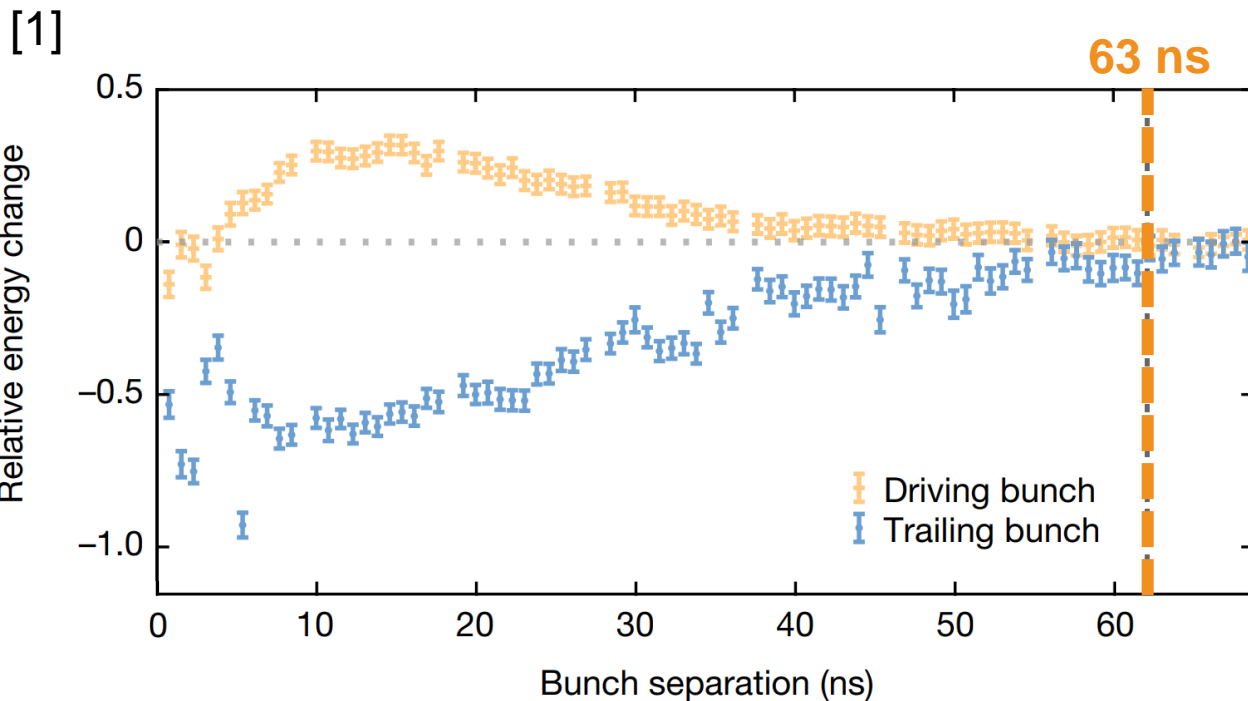
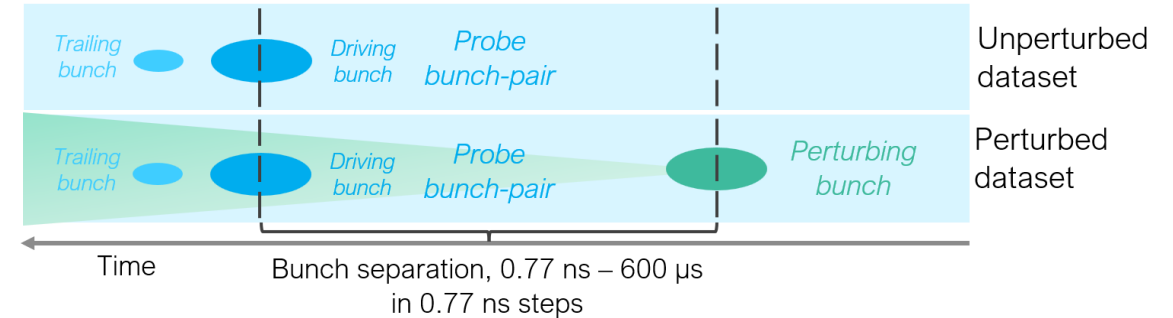
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Pump-probe electron bunches to measure plasma recovery time



Plasma can recover within 63 ns

- > Measured recovery is specific to FLASHForward parameters (argon)
- > In principle, demonstration of $\mathcal{O}(10)$ MHz repetition rate



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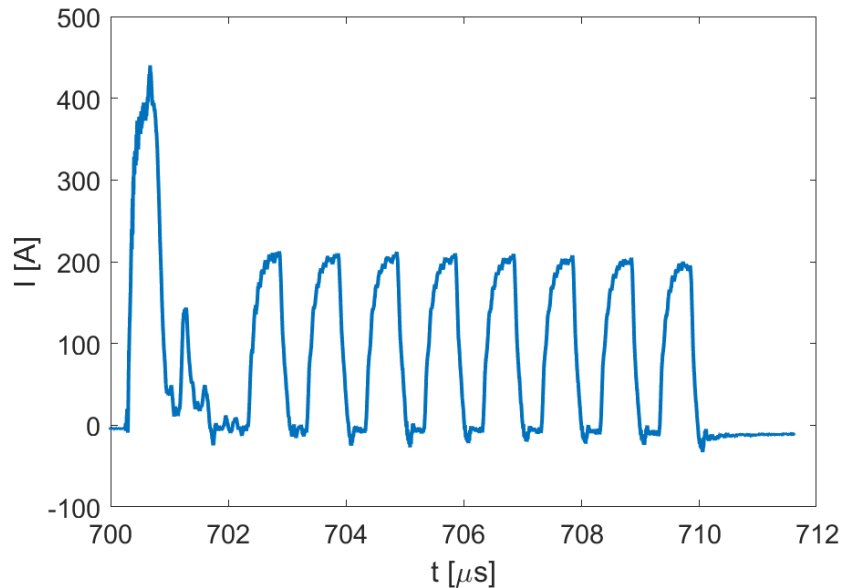
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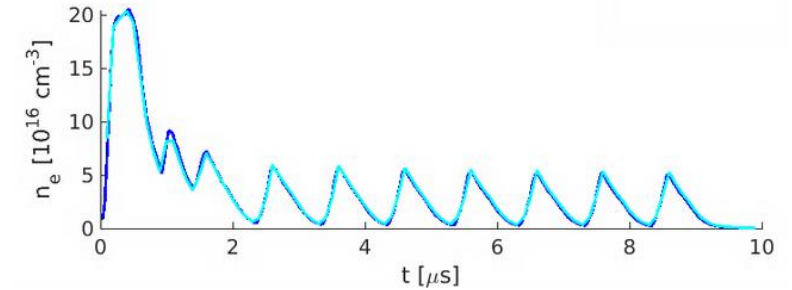
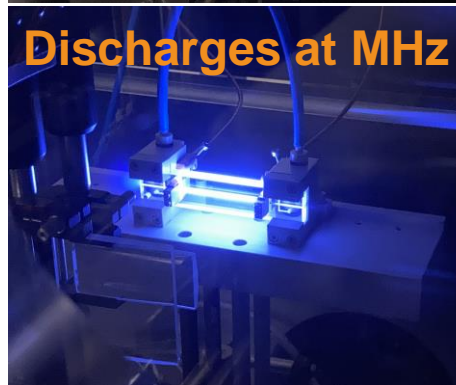
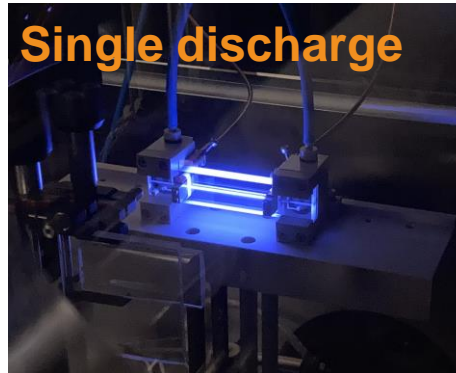
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Discharge current with a MHz pulser



Plasma density with a MHz pulser

What will happen if we add driver and witness bunches at MHz?

Find the answer here



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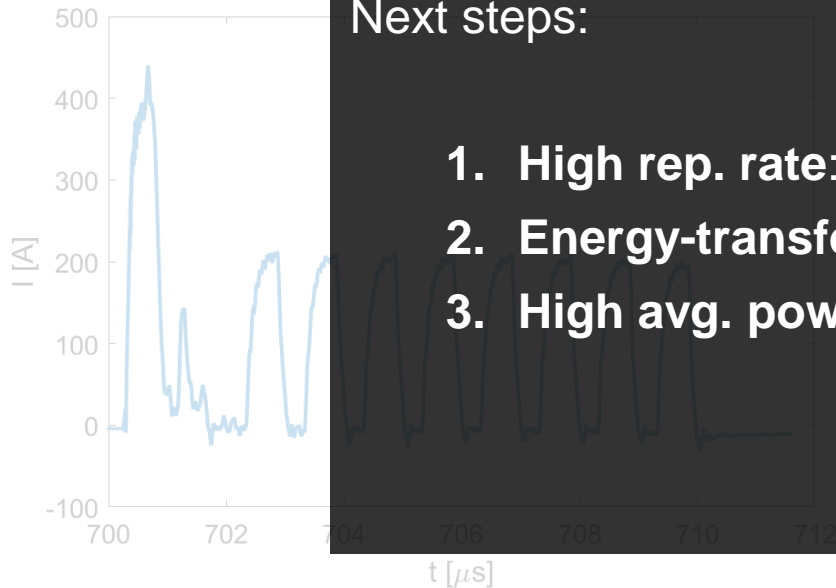
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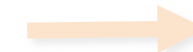
Next steps:

1. **High rep. rate:** Sustained MHz operation at low average power
2. **Energy-transfer efficiency:** Minimize heat left in the plasma
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PI: Richard D’Arcy – University of Oxford and DESY

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