

Advanced modeling tools for 10 TeV wakefield colliders

Jean-Luc Vay (on behalf of many)
Advanced Modeling Program
Accelerator Technology & Applied Physics Division



EAAAC 2025

September 21 – 27, 2025
La Biodola Bay, Isola d'Elba, Italy

Source

10s-1000s stages

>10 TeV IP

10s-1000s stages

Source

- **Collider design studies**
 - The *10 TeV Design Initiative* for a 10 TeV pCM wakefiled collider
 - The Simulations/Computing/AI Working (SCAI) Group
- **The Collaboration for Advanced Modeling of Particle Accelerators (CAMPA)**
 - Standardized data & tools: openPMD, PICMI, LASY, PALS, GeSt-api
- **Toward multi-modal AI-ready data sources & models**
- **Summary**

Ongoing high-gradient wakefield collider studies



Collider Design Studies - Challenges



Since 2023

HALHF

**Hybrid, Asymmetric, Linear Higgs
Factory**

Challenges:

High repetition rate plasma
operation and cooling,
Staging, Production and
acceleration of polarized
beams, BDS design,...

10-15 years of R&D

**ESPP Input #57: HALHF: a
hybrid, asymmetric, linear
Higgs factory using plasma-
and RF-based acceleration
([link](#))**



Since 2024

ALIVE

**A Linear accelerator for Very high
Energies**

Challenges:

High power synchrotron,
Proton Bunch Compression,
Plasma Source Development,
Positron Acceleration, Energy
Transfer Efficiency, Beam
Quality Preservation,...

**ESPP Input #210: Proton-
Driven Plasma Wakefield
Acceleration for Future HEP
Colliders ([link](#))**



Since 2025

10 TeV

**Design Initiative for a 10 TeV pCM
Wakefield Collider**

Chosen design constraints:

- $E_{z,avg} > 500 \text{ MeV/m}$
- $\mathcal{L}/P_{tot} > 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} \text{ MW}^{-1}$

**ESPP Input #98: Design
Initiative for a 10 TeV pCM
Wakefield Collider ([link](#))**



23.06.2025

High-Gradient Wakefield Accelerators, ESPP Symposium Venice 2025

9 / 15

10 TeV Wakefield Collider Design Study



The Design Study aims to produce a unified, self-consistent concept for a 10 TeV parton-center-of-mass (pCM) collider based on wakefield accelerator (WFA) technology.

The Study is Initiated by the [2023 US P5 Report](#), but it is a **global** undertaking.

- We collaborate with on-going design efforts, including [ALEGRO](#), [HALHF](#), [ALIVE](#), and [XCC](#) and contribute to the [LC Vision](#) program.

This is an HEP-wide **community** effort. The study requires input from:

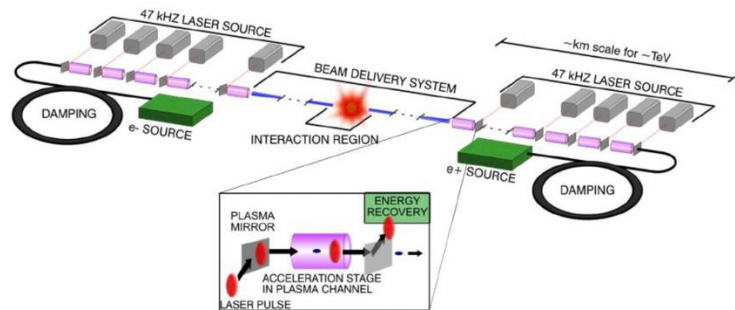
- HEP Theorists
- Detector Physicists
- Accelerator Physicists
- Advanced Accelerator Research

Working Groups: includes “Simulations/Computing/AI” (SCAI)

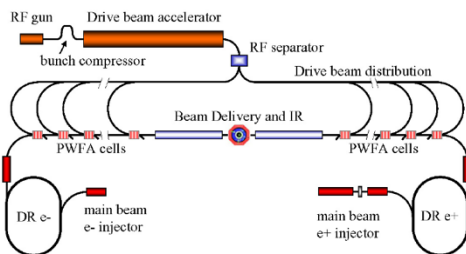


Several options:

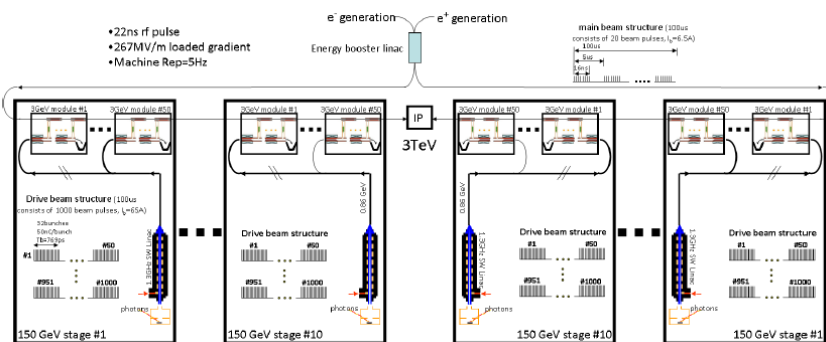
LWFA



PWFA



SWFA



- System integration and optimization
- Beam sources (incl. damping rings)
- Drivers
- Linacs

- Laser

- Beams - SWFA

- Beams - PWFA

- LWFA

- SWFA

- PWFA

- Beam delivery system
- Beam-beam interactions
- Beam diagnostics
- Machine-detector interface
- HEP detector
- HEP physics case
- Environmental impact
- **Simulations/computing/AI**

Green = Broader accelerator community
Orange/blue/purple = AAC specific
Red = HEP and broader community

This talk

Most of the design work requires simulations!

➔ We are limited by what we can compute...

...the SCAI is the limit!

Next Steps

- Pre-CDR's are critical
 - Simulation tools are fantastic ... use them
 - Quantify stability and tolerances
 - Detail the R&D and necessary steps
 - What test facilities are needed and be clear about purpose and goals
- Demonstrate capabilities with applications
 - FEL's are excellent but injectors and other applications are also great
- Engage the community
 - Convey the enthusiasm but don't oversell

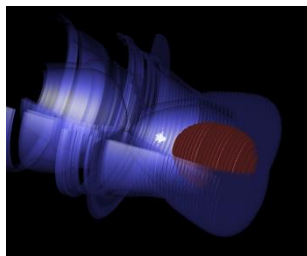


Simulations are key to address many AAC-based collider challenges

Simulation tools cover a wide range of codes

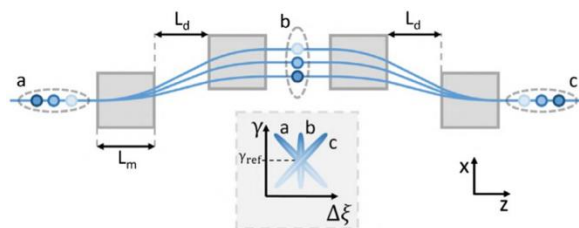


Accelerator stages



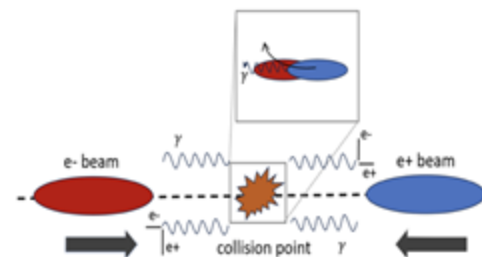
E.g., QPAD, HiPACE++, Inf&no, QuickPIC, Wake-T, LCODE, TurboWAVE, FBPIC, WarpX, OSIRIS, Smilei, VLPL, Epoch, ...

Beam dynamics/transport



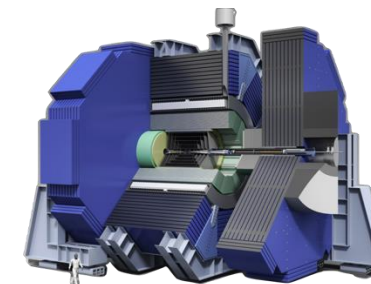
E.g., ImpactX, Elegant, XSuite, BMAD, Wake-T, ...

Interaction point



E.g., Guinea-Pig, CAIN, WarpX, Osiris, VLPL ...

(Detectors)



E.g., DDSim, DD4HEP, ...

+ “**Systems code**” for design, optimization & costs (e.g., ABEL)

Needs

- More codes: **not really**
- Better codes & algorithms; more physics; benchmarking: **always!**
- More & better documentation; examples: **definitely!**
- More integration & interoperability; workflows: **definitely!**

Axel Huebl, “Modelization of Plasma Accelerators in the Exascale Era”, EAAC25, Thursday @11:30AM

SCAI WG can leverage & help coordinate efforts



- New website with samples input scripts for various codes
- Coordination with, e.g.:
 - Codes developers to provide examples, participate to benchmarking, add physics, ...
 - CAMPA: openPMD, PICMI, LASY, PALS, GeSt_api
 - HEImholtz Laser Plasma Metadata Initiative (HELPMI)
 - HALHF: ABEL
 - ALiVE
 - ...
- Coordinate simulation efforts to address 10TeV collider questions/challenges



CONTENTS:

- Example Simulation Scripts
- Validity of the Different Codes
- Optimization Tools
- Open problems



PyConFR — 30 octobre — 2 novembre
— Lyon

Ad by EthicalAds · Community Ad

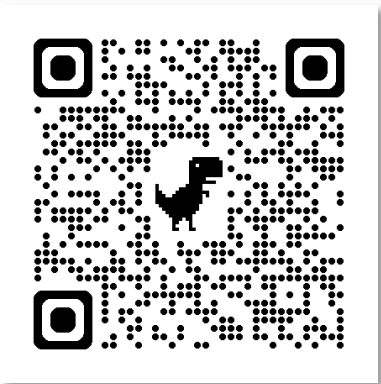
Simulation Guide for the 10 TeV Wakefield Collider Design Study

This documentation provides material to get started with simulation work for the [10 TeV Wakefield Collider Design Study](#).

It summarizes the capabilities of some of the relevant codes for these simulations and provides a few examples of how to use them.

Contents:

- [Example Simulation Scripts](#)
 - [Single-stage simulations](#)
 - [Two-stage simulations with inter-stage transport](#)
 - [Beam-beam simulations at the interaction point](#)
- [Validity of the Different Codes](#)
- [Optimization Tools](#)
- [Open problems](#)



If you encounter any issues with this documentation, please report them on our [GitHub Issues](#) page.

<https://10tev-simulation-guide.readthedocs.io>

[Next](#)

© Copyright 2024.

Built with [Sphinx](#) using a [theme](#) provided by [Read the Docs](#).

Single-stage simulations

This section contains example scripts for single-stage simulations.

- [Single-stage laser-driven acceleration in cylindrical geometry \(using Wake-T\)](#)
- [Single-stage laser-driven acceleration in full 3D \(using HiPACE++\)](#)
- [Single-stage beam-driven acceleration in quasi-3D cylindrical geometry \(using QPAD\)](#)

[Previous](#)

[Next](#)

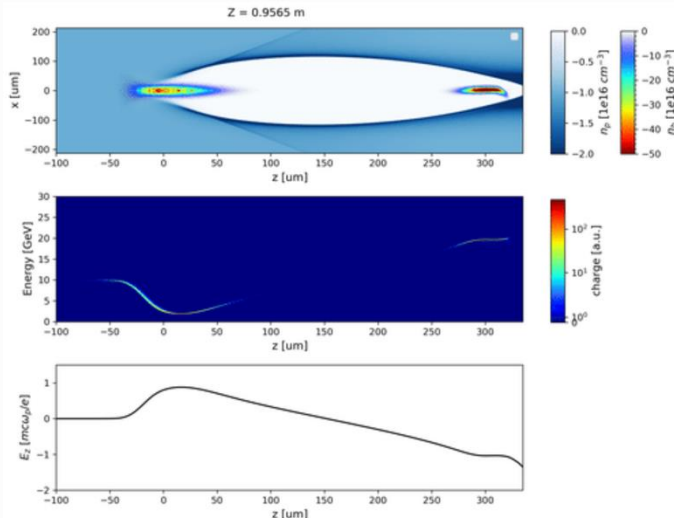
Warning

Make sure to modify the path to your qpad executable in the above script.

```
path_to_exe = '' # <---- specify path to executable here
```

Visualization and postprocessing

Here's a gif showing the output of this simulation.



SCAI WG Website is being developed



Simulation Guide



latest

Search docs

CONTENTS:

Example Simulation Scripts

Single-stage simulations

Two-stage simulations with inter-stage transport

Beam-beam simulations at the interaction point

Overview

WarpX

Guinea-Pig

Visualization and postprocessing

Validity of the Different Codes

Optimization Tools

Open problems

Example Simulation Scripts / Beam-beam simulations at the interaction point

[View page source](#)

Beam-beam simulations at the interaction point

This section contains example scripts for simulations of beam-beam crossing at the interaction point using [WarpX](#) and [Guinea-Pig](#). As an arbitrary choice, we selected the C^3 collider parameters at 125 GeV.

Overview

This simulates the collision between a beam of electrons and a beam of positrons traveling at 125 GeV. As usual, x, y, z are the horizontal, vertical, and longitudinal coordinates, respectively. The beams are initialized such that their centroids are $4\sigma_z$ away from interaction point.

Beamstrahlung and coherent pair production (though not actually important for these beam parameters) are activated. Note that incoherent processes are not enabled in either WarpX and Guinea-Pig. We will add them in future versions of this example.

WarpX

Resources

Some useful WarpX's links if you get stuck or want to know more:

- [GitHub repository](#)
- [ReadTheDocs documentation](#)
- [Beam-beam tutorial](#)

Build

WarpX is open-source and available on [GitHub](#). You can install WarpX in several different ways (for

Generate a video of the colliding beams

```
!mkdir -p "plots"

gp_dir = "gp"
wx_dir = "wx"

path=os.path.join(wx_dir, 'diags/trajs')
series = OpenPMDTimeSeries(path)

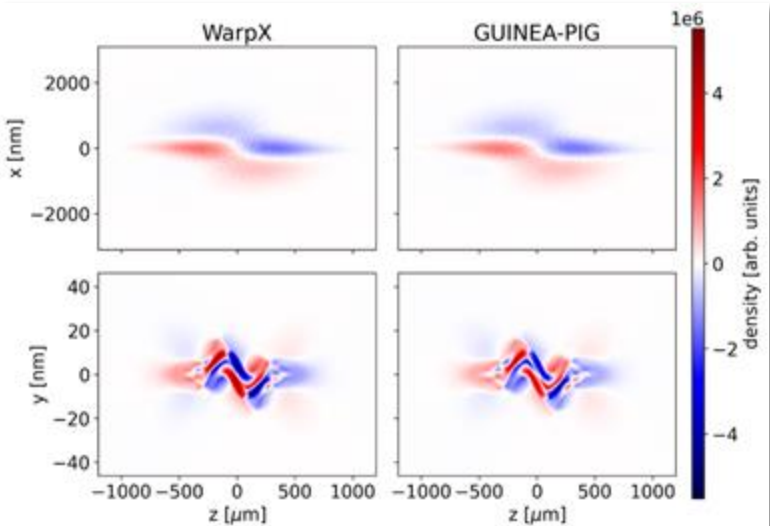
v0 = n0 * np.sqrt(sigma_x * sigma_y) * 0.05
extent_zx = [gridz[0]/micro, gridz[-1]/micro, gridx[0]/nano, gridx[-1]/nano]
extent_zy = [gridz[0]/micro, gridz[-1]/micro, gridy[0]/nano, gridy[-1]/nano]

plt.rcParams.update({'font.size': 16})

# loop through the timesteps
for n in iterations:

    # prepare canvas
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(ncols=2, nrows=2, figsize=(16,12), dpi=300, sharex='col', sharey='row')

    H_zx, H_zy = one_step_gp(n, gp_dir)
    im=ax[0][0].imshow(H_zx, extent=extent_zx, cmap='seismic', origin='lower', interpolation='nearest')
    im=ax[1][0].imshow(H_zy, extent=extent_zy, cmap='seismic', origin='lower', interpolation='nearest')
    ax[0][0].set_title("Guinea-Pig")
```

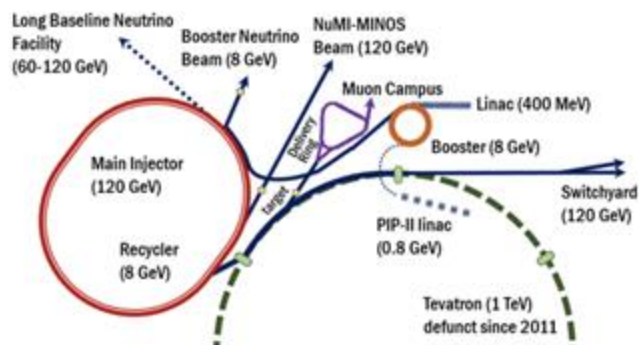


Collaboration for Advanced Modeling of Particle Accelerators

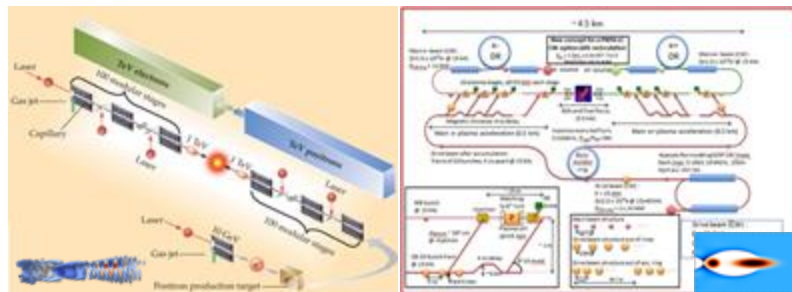


Science thrusts (aligned w/ 2023 P5)

a) Fermilab complex: PIP-II+booster.



b) design of plasma-based colliders.



2023 P5

- Modeling tools for **beam intensity, quality, control** and **prediction Grand Challenges**
- Support **Fermilab complex (PIP-II, IOTA, ...)**
- Support R&D & designs of **Higgs factory & 10 TeV CoM colliders (RF, plasma or muons)**
- Support key cyberinfrastructure components such as **shared tools & a sustained R&D effort in computing...**
- Adapt** software & computing systems to **emerging hardware**
- Leverage AI/AML** for accelerator modeling & collider design
- Foster development of **standards & workflows**

Particle-in-cell Modeling Interface (PICMI) & open Particle-Mesh Data (openPMD) standards

Conventions for input and output (I/O)

- **Particle-in-Cell Modeling Interface (PICMI) standard** for naming and structuring of Particle-In-Cell input decks in Python.
- **open particle-mesh data standard (openPMD)** for metadata and naming conventions of scattered (e.g., particles) and mesh-based (structured & unstructured) data, with support for ADIOS & HDF5 data format (other data formats possible).

Status

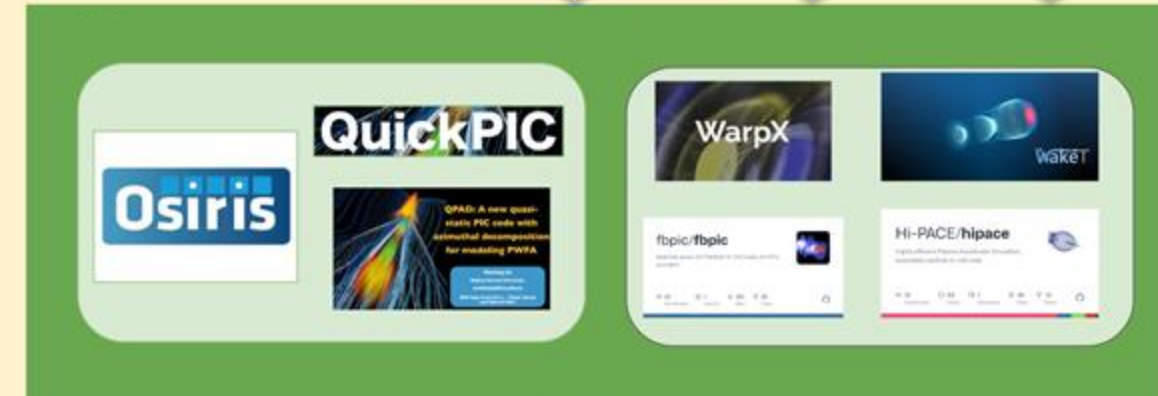
- openPMD is quite **mature and supported by many codes** within & beyond CAMPA
- PICMI is **being developed and supported by multiple codes** within CAMPA

CAMPA Ecosystem
for AAC-based
accelerators

PICMI

LASY

PALS*



openPMD

Conventional
accelerator codes

Machine learning/
optimization

*in development

LASY: LAser manipulations made eaSY

- simple Python implementation allows **rapid addition of new laser profiles**
- w/ **advanced laser manipulation tools**, including calculation of propagation through complex optical elements
- leveraged by several projects requiring modeling of **sophisticated and/or experimentally realistic laser pulses**

LASY
(LAser manipulations made eaSY)

- Implements a collection of laser profiles
- Tools to manipulate laser profiles (e.g. propagation in free space)

Standardized file:
laser profile
represented on a grid



LASY is an open-source Python library.
github.com/LASY-org/lasy

All the codes listed below can read files produced by LASY

WarpX
Full PIC, Cartesian & cylindrical

HiPACE++
Quasi-static PIC, 3D Cartesian

FBPIC
Full PIC, cylindrical

Wake-T
Quasi-static PIC, cylindrical
...

current contributors



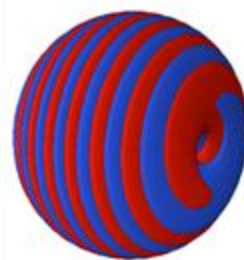
BERKELEY LAB



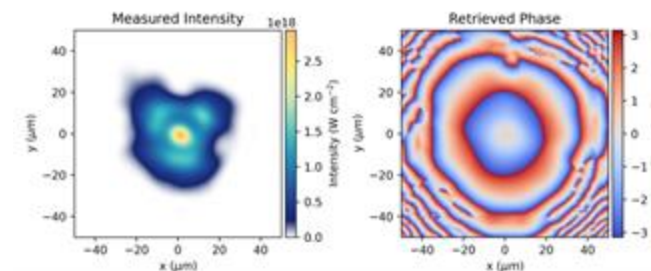
Rob Shalloo, "LASY: LAsers manipulations made eaSY", EAAC25, Today @19:00.

LASY supports many types of laser profiles, including:

Profile with orbital
angular momentum

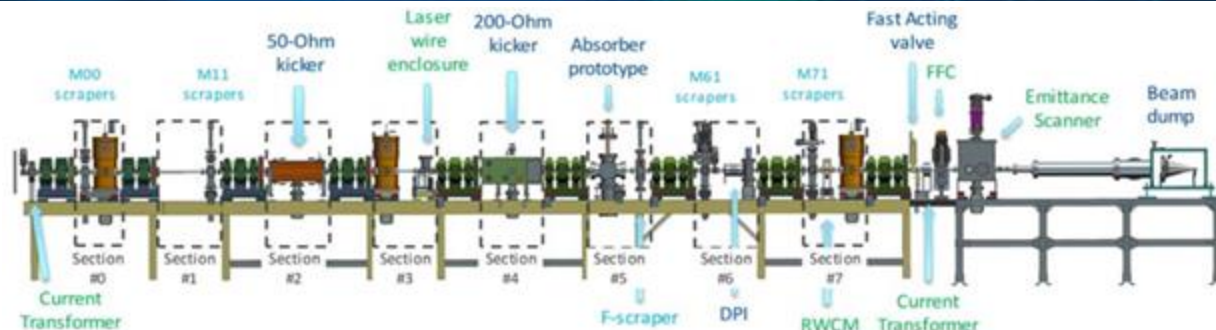


Profile defined by
experimental
measurements

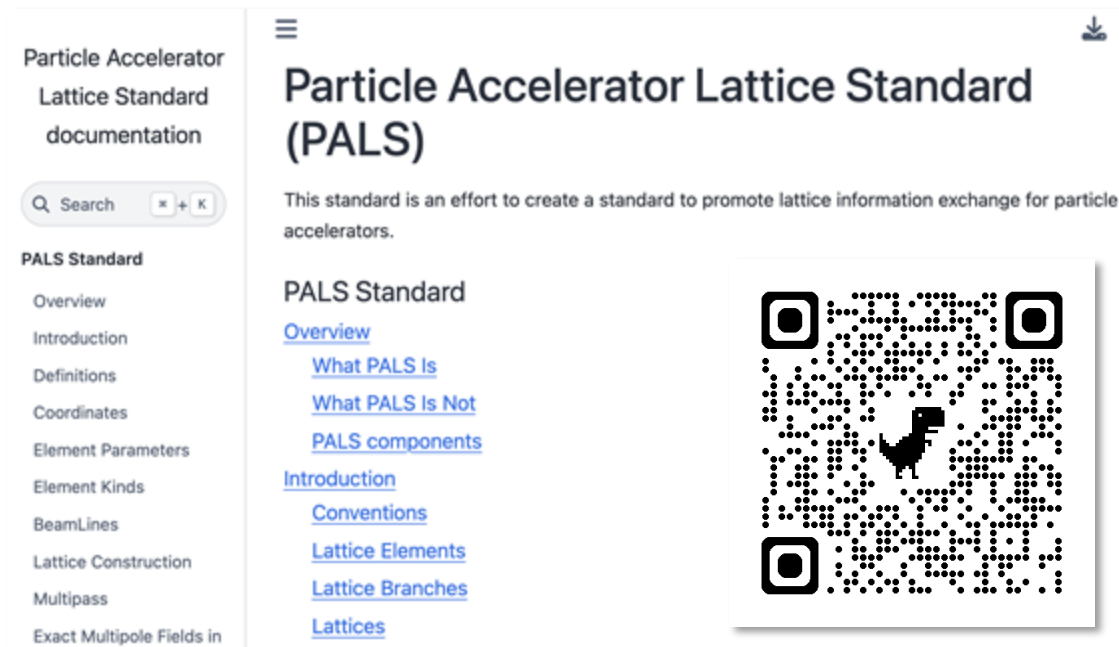


New, open Particle Accelerator Lattice Standard (PALS)

- Accelerator community currently uses different file formats for the **accelerator lattice description**
- PALS¹ is a standard for **sharing lattice description** across simulation codes, experiments, etc
- **Facilitates global collaboration** on increasingly complex accelerator projects
- Enables creation of **standardized datasets for AI/ML training**
 - ➔ Key to initiatives such as the upcoming **“American Science Cloud”**
- Weekly meetings w/ partakers from LBNL, Cornell U., ANL, FNAL, SLAC, BNL, ORNL, JLAB, MSU, MIT, Radiasoft, Xelera Research, CERN, GSI, DESY, ESRF, ...
Join the fun! david.sagan@cornell.edu, jlway@lbl.gov

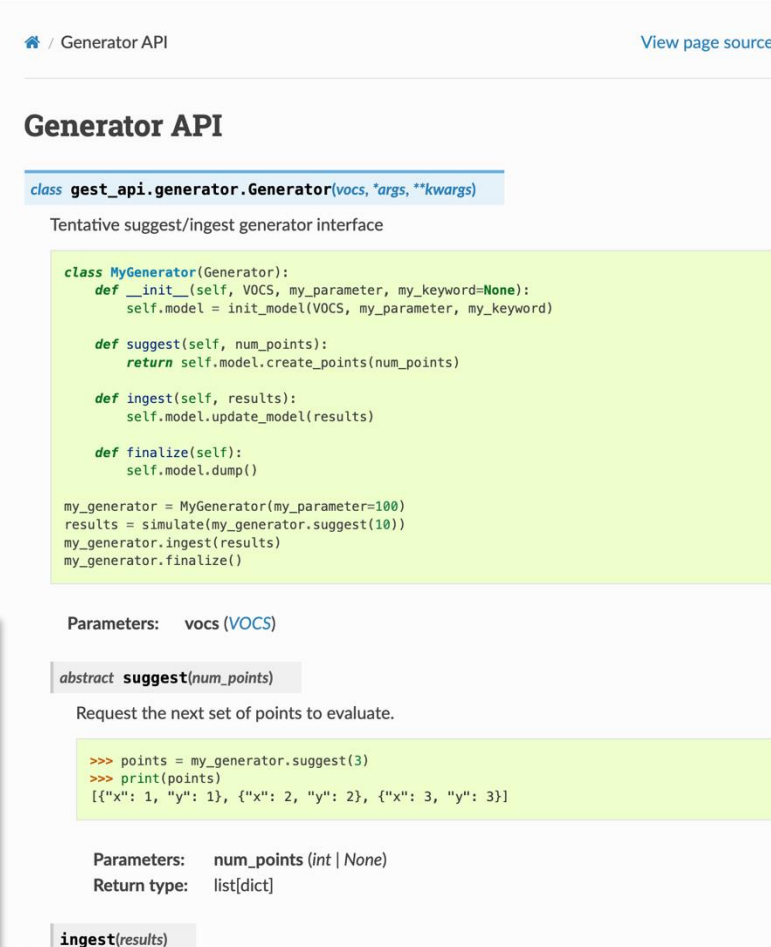
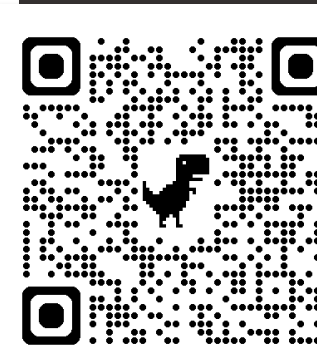
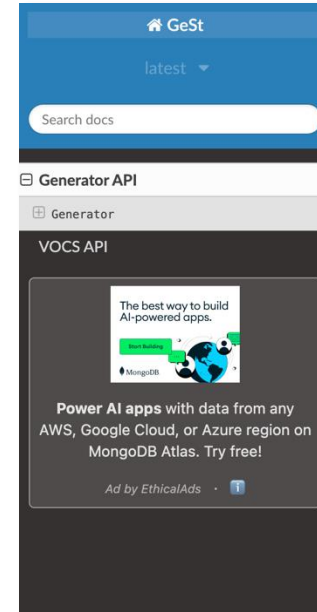


github.com/campa-consortium/pals



Generator Standard (GeSt-api) for optimization studies

- **Simulation-based design optimization** is an important workflow when designing accelerators
- Efficient optimizers (e.g., TurBO, APOSMM, etc.) have been implemented in **separate** optimization frameworks (e.g., Xopt, libensemble, optimas, ...) and have **different** interfaces
- A **standardized interface** is now being implemented in the above frameworks to foster **interoperability**



Coordination & standardization will enable multi-modal (incl. multiple facilities) AI-ready data sources & models

Virtual World (cloud)

Accelerator/Collider DT

Source DT

Laser DT

Plasma stage DT

BDS DT

MDI DT

... DTs

Techno-Economic Model

Computing (laptops to HPC)

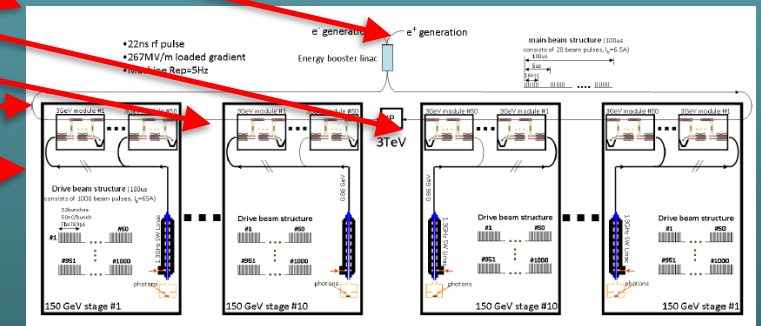
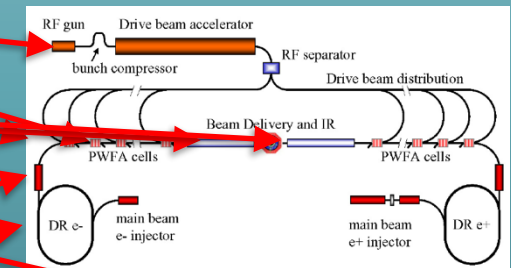
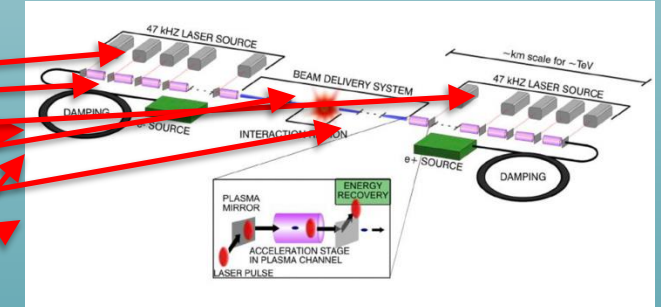


- First Principles Simulations
- Surrogates
- Optimization

Archives

- Experiments logs
- Codes source/doc
- Litterature

Real World



Coordination & standardization will enable multi-modal (incl. multiple facilities) AI-ready data sources & models

Virtual World (cloud)

Accelerator/Collider DT

Source DT

Laser DT

Plasma stage DT

BDS DT

MDI DT

... DTs

Techno-Economic Model

Computing (laptops to HPC)



- First Principles Simulations
- Surrogates
- Optimization

Data

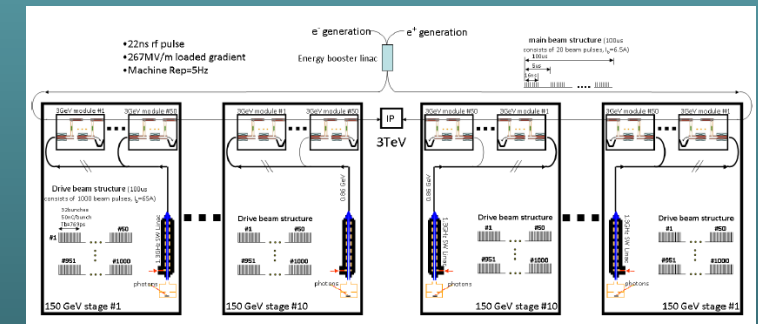
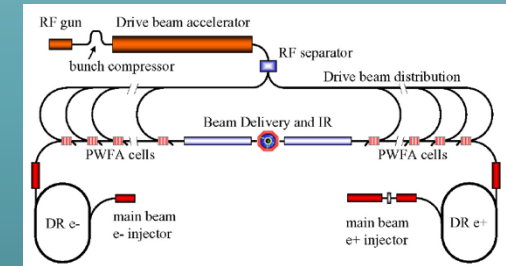
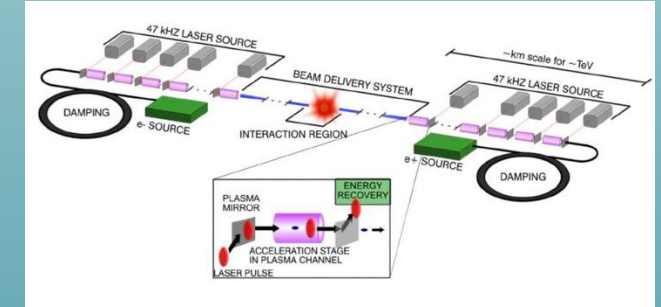
AI Readiness

- Standardization
- Labeling
- Normalization
- Versioning

Archives

- Experiments logs
- Codes source/doc
- Literature

Real World



Summary



- **Collider design studies** based on AAC tech are ongoing
- **10 TeV Design Initiative** includes a Simulations/Computing/AI Working (SCAI) Group
- **Many simulation tools** exist and continue to be improved
 - ➔ see **A. Huebl plenary talk** tomorrow
- Increasing efforts to develop standardized data and tools
 - ➔ From ***nice to have*** to ***must have*** for multi-modal AI-ready data sources/models
- All these require a **community effort**: look for community workshops to come to organize the community and develop these standardized data & tools

Let's avoid to develop N new standards & workflows!

Looking forward to work with all of you!

Thank you!
Questions?

jlway@lbl.gov