

# MeV Ultrafast Electron Microscopy

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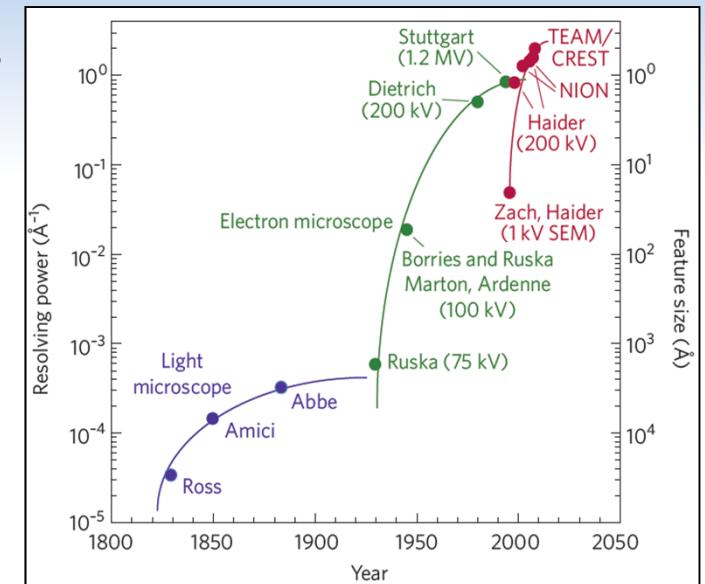
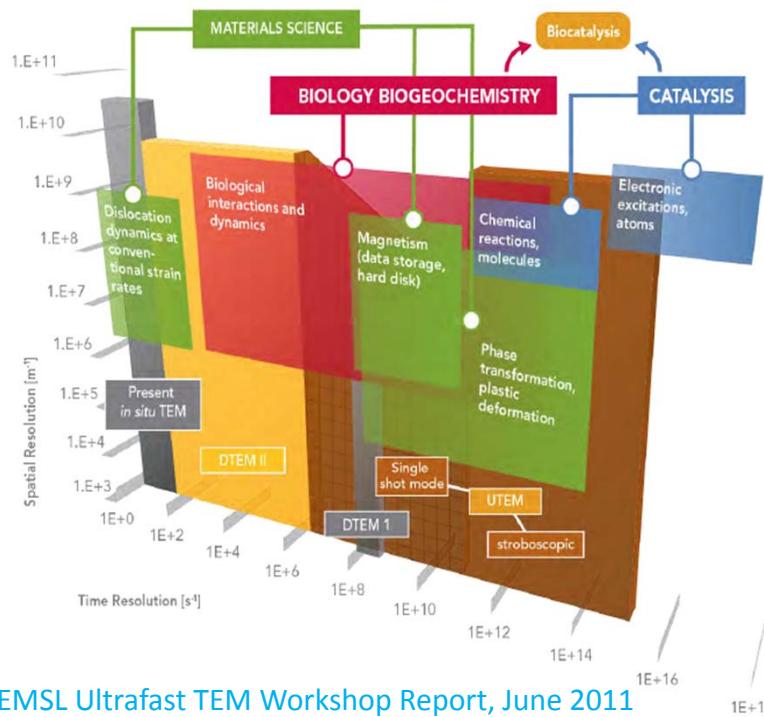


# Outline

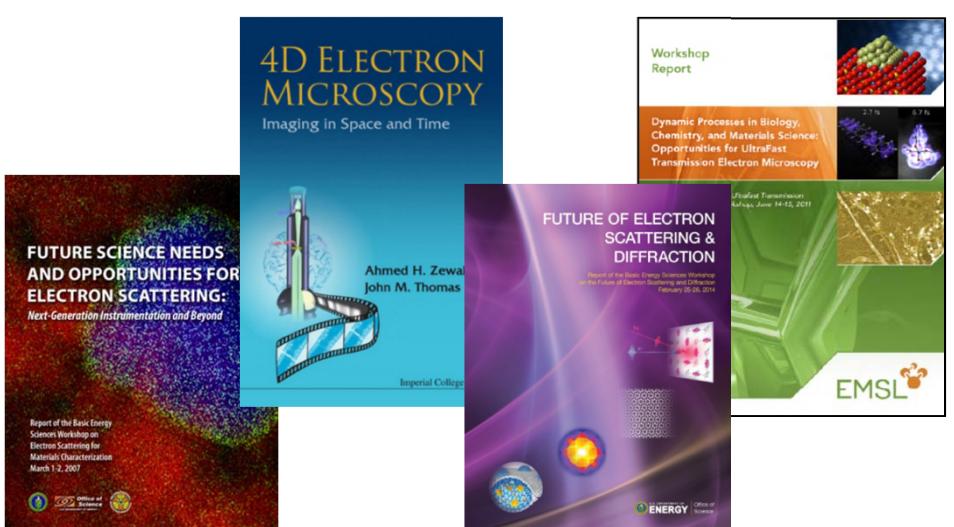
- Background
  - DTEM, UEM and UED
- MeV time resolved TEM Design study
  - High brightness. Low thermal emittance. Cold Cathodes.
  - RF gun
    - Clamped gun commissioning
    - 1.4 cell design
  - Energy spread linearizer. X-band structure design
  - Condenser stage
    - Two-solenoids scheme
    - Pegasus beamline measurements. 30 nm 100 fC 3 um rms spot size
  - Lenses
    - PMQ aberration comparison
    - MEMS-based quadrupoles. Prototype results
  - Space charge effects. Stochastic and mean field contributions to spatial resolution
- Conclusions

# Add 4<sup>th</sup> dimension: Time resolved TEMs

- Conventional TEMs primary tool for material science, chemistry, physics, biology, and industry
- need millisecond to second exposure time
- sub-Ångström spatial resolution with aberration correction
- *Many reasons to see structural changes in time, rather than static images*

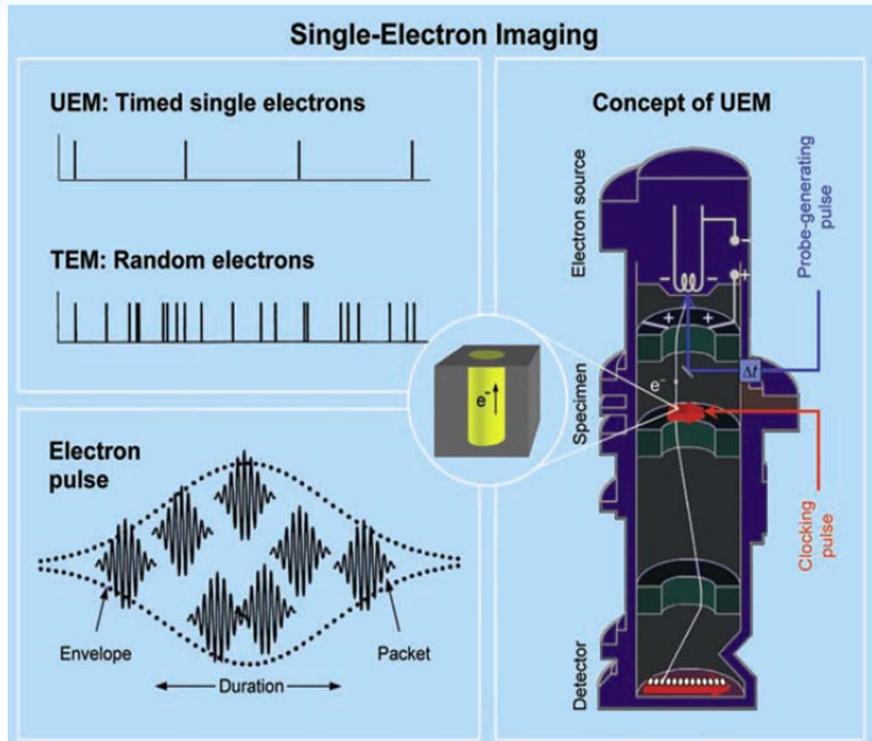


D. A. Muller, Nat. Mater. 8, 263 (2009)  
Adapted from H. H. Rose (2009)



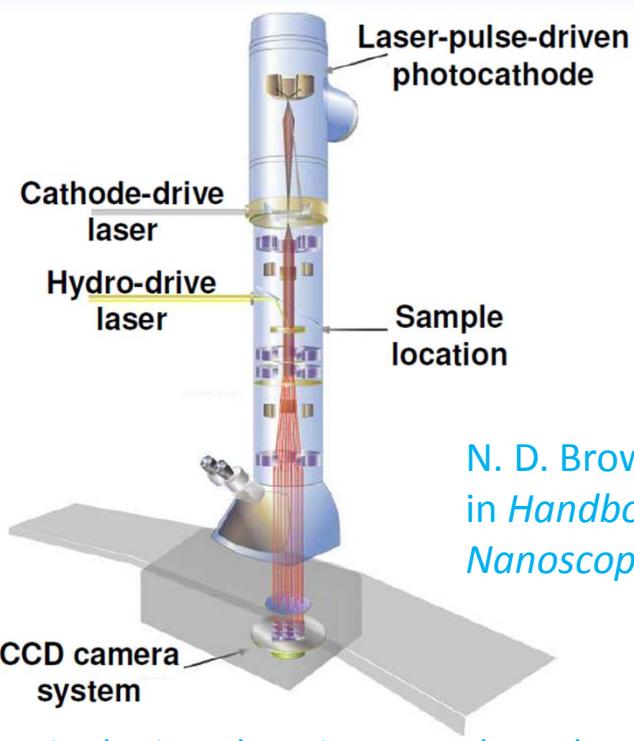
# Ultrafast TEM: stroboscopic and single-shot

## Stroboscopic



A. H. Zewail, Science 328, 187 (2010)

## Single-shot



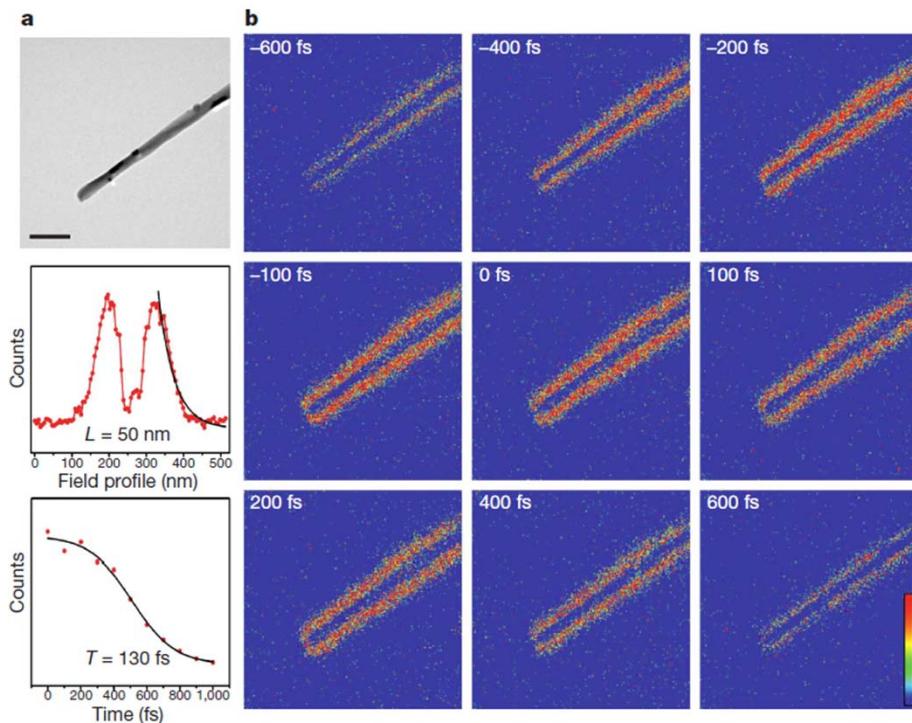
N. D. Browning et al.,  
in *Handbook of Nanoscopy*, 2012

O. Bostanjoglo, in *Advan in Imag Elect Phys*, 121 (2002)

- ❖ use photocathode in conventional 200 kV TEMs, pump-probe scheme
- ❖ Stroboscopic: 1 e<sup>-</sup>/pulse, sub-ps, atomic scale resolutions
- ❖ Single-shot: 10<sup>8</sup> e<sup>-</sup>/pulse, 10 nm – 15 ns resolution

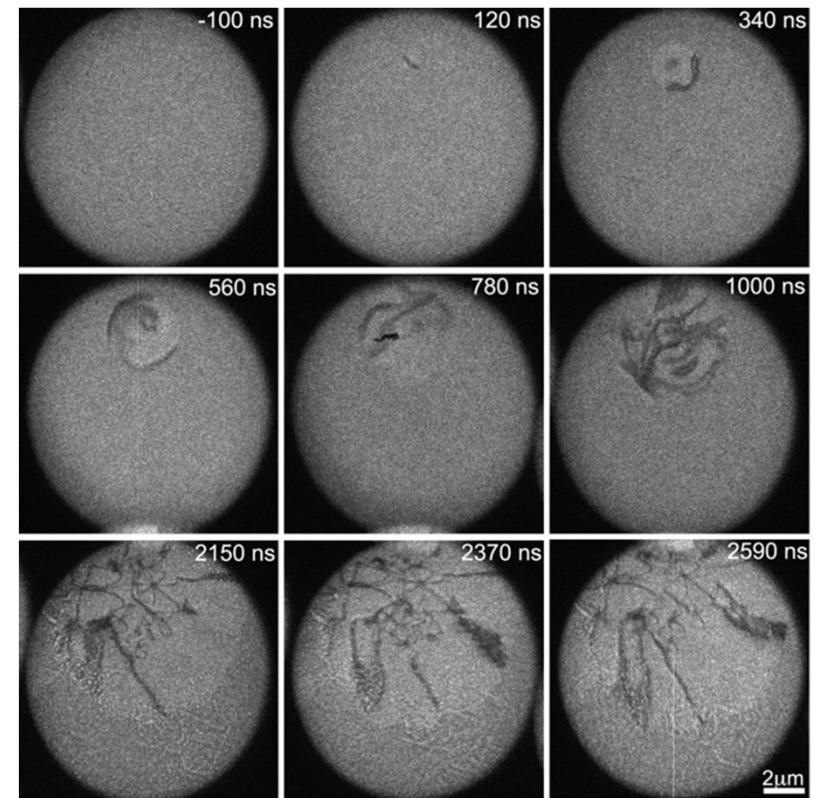
# Science opportunities using UEM

## PINEM using UEM at Caltech



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## DTEM at LLNL



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# High beam brightness requirements for single shot UEM

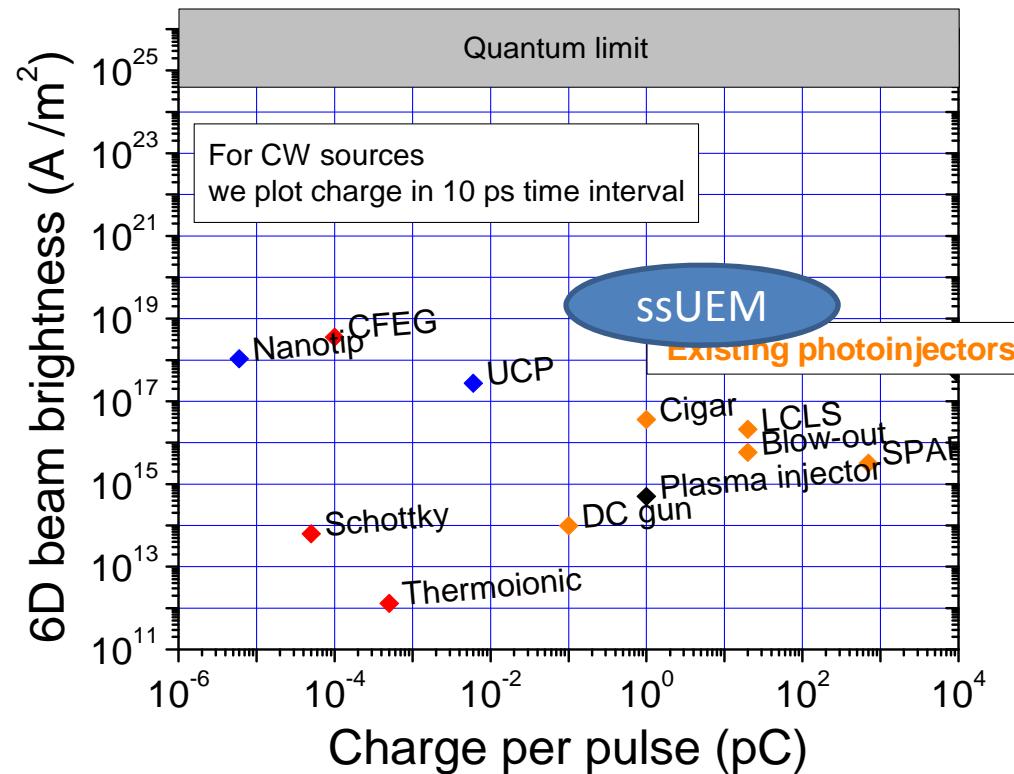
## ❖ temporal resolution (a few ps):

- bunch length:  $\Delta t \sim 1 - 10 \text{ ps}$
- Timing and synchronization between laser and electron beams

## ❖ spatial resolution (a few tens of nm):

- high flux at the sample (Rose criterion):  $N \sim 10^{7-8}$ ,  $\sigma_x \sim 1 \mu\text{m}$
- low angular divergence (related to scattering angle and  $C_s$ ):  $\sigma_{x'} \sim 1 \text{ mrad}$
- low energy spread (related to chromatic aberration):  $\frac{\Delta\gamma}{\gamma} < 10^{-4}$

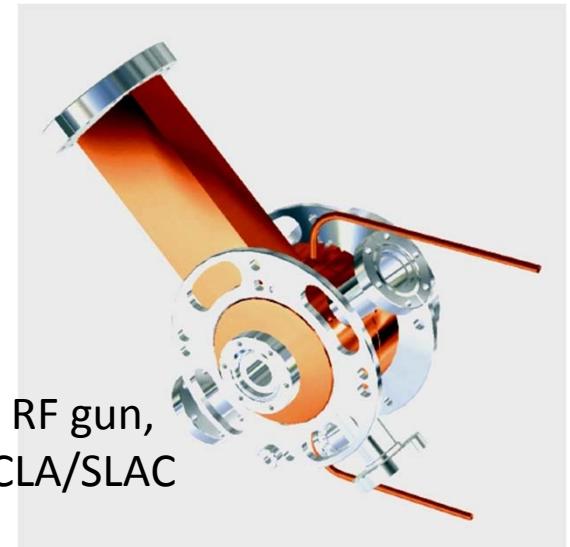
## ◆ Electron sources 6D beam brightness



$$B_{6D, norm} \sim 10^{19} \text{ A/m}^2$$

# The RF photoinjector

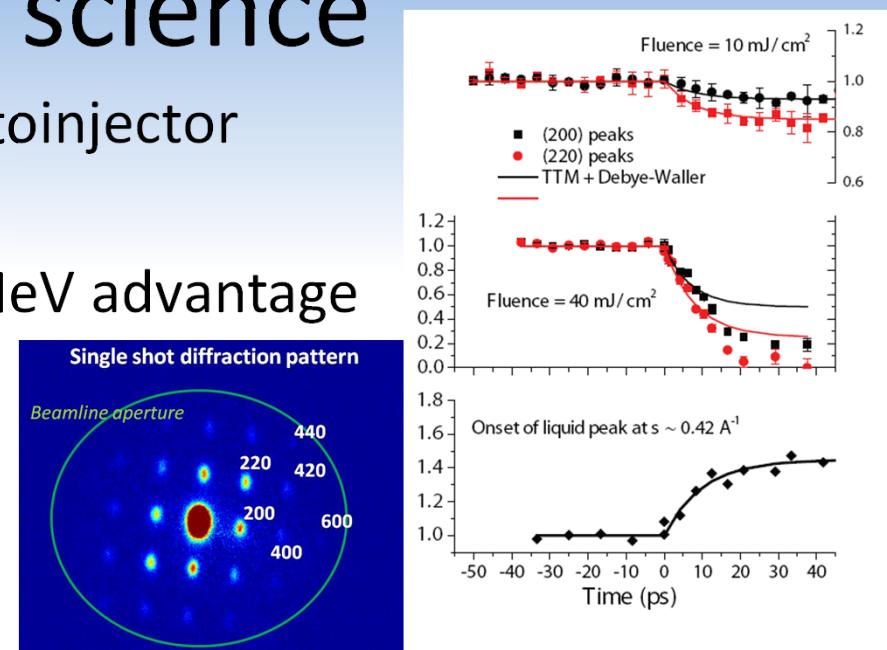
- *State-of-the-art high brightness electron beam source*
  - Developed for advanced accelerators & FELs
  - Applications to MeV UED (X. J. Wang, 1996, PRE 54 R3121)
- Photo-emission inside ultrahigh field RF cavity
  - Peak field  $E_0 > 100 \text{ MV/m}$
  - 3-5 MeV output energy
- Well characterized – Mature technology
  - Sub-ps beams possible (response time from metal cathodes is <50 fsec)
  - Flexible charge (few fC – few nC)
  - Very low emittance
- Space charge effects suppression
  - High field at the cathode
  - High final energy
  - Beam distribution shaping



1.6 cell RF gun,  
BNL/UCLA/SLAC  
design

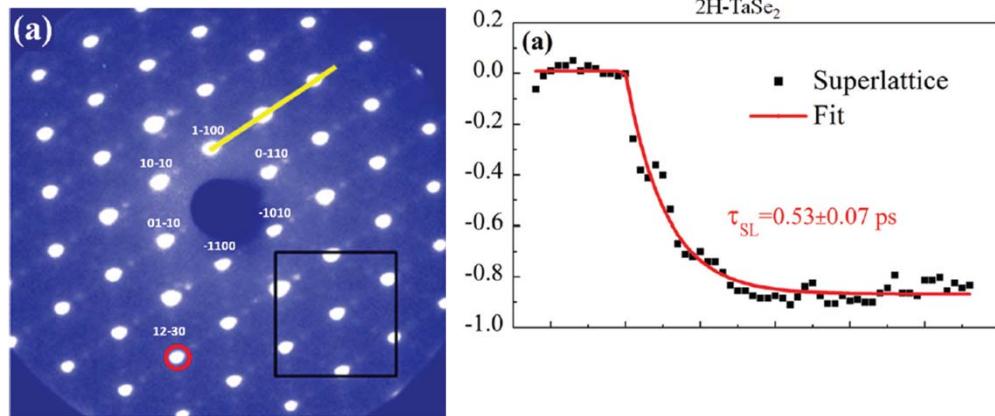
# MeV UED science

- Time-resolved science with RF photoinjector based UED
  - Each example points to a specific MeV advantage
    - ❖ Single shot
    - ❖ Thickness of sample
    - ❖ < 100 fs temporal resolution
- Recent results from SLAC

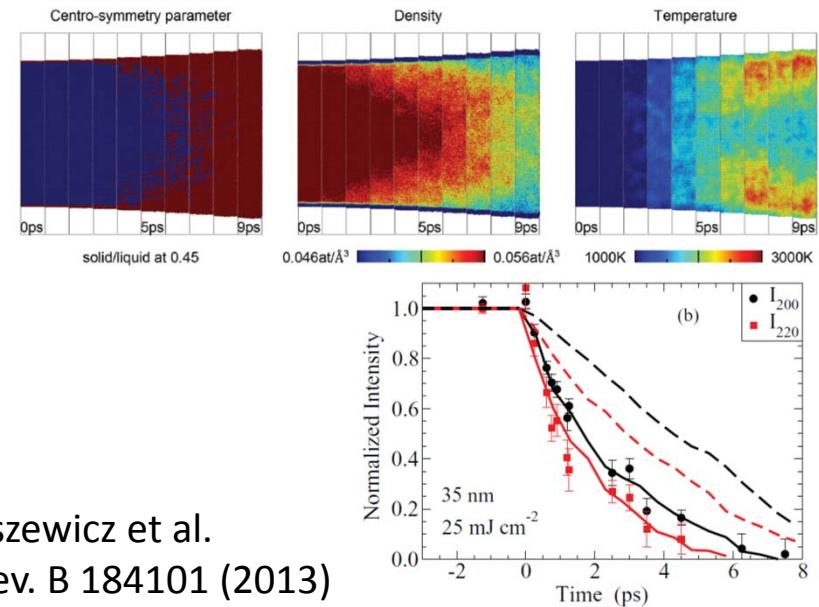


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P. Zhu et al. Appl. Phys. Lett. 103, 071914 (2013)



S. Daraszewicz et al.  
Phys. Rev. B 184101 (2013)



# Compression of MeV electron beams for Ultrafast Electron Diffraction

- Operate photoinjector in blow-out regime
- Use high shunt impedance RF linac to invert longitudinal space charge expansion
- Simulations
- Beam too short for RF deflection resolution
- Develop spectrum-based CTR diagnostics

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## Generation and measurement of velocity bunched ultrashort bunch of pC charge

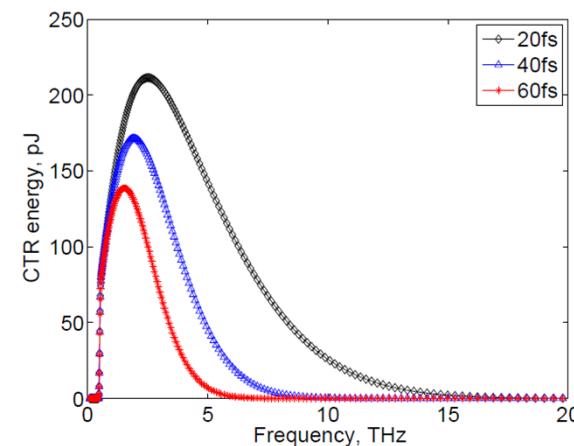
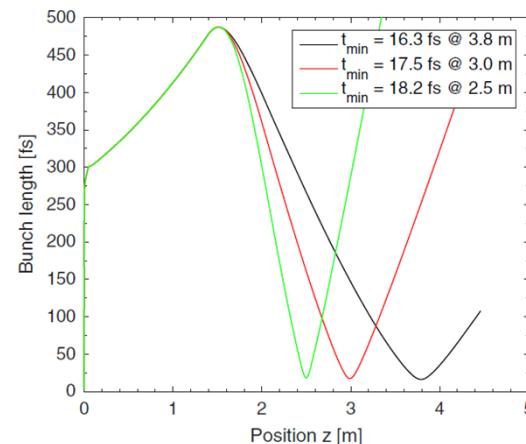
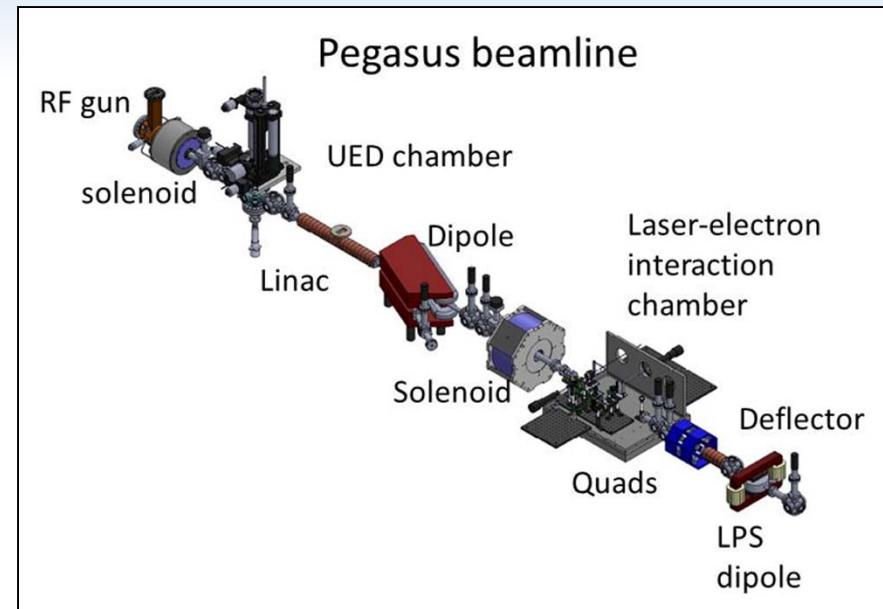
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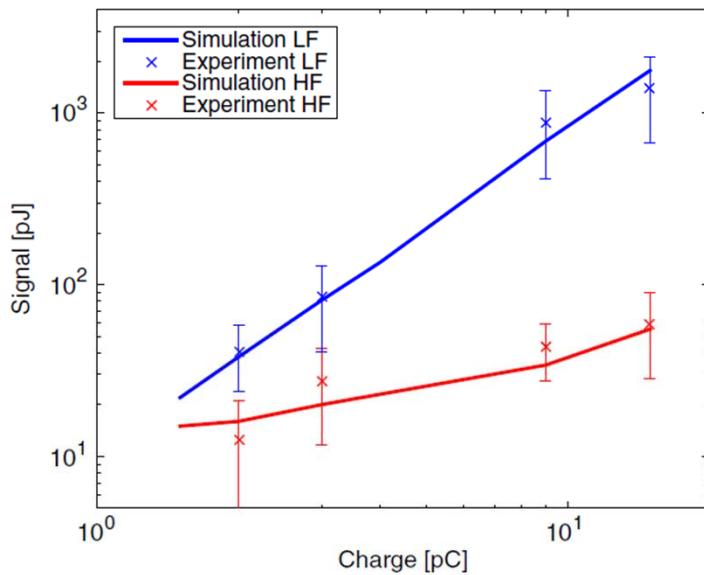
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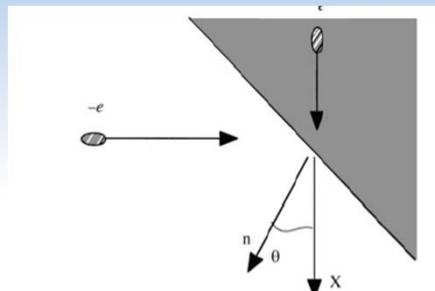
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# Sub-50 fs bunch length diagnostic

- Use Coherent Transition Radiation
  - $\mu\text{J}$  of energy expected
- Liquid He cooled bolometer detector
- Maximize CTR signal with linac phase
- Strong dependence on transverse spot size
- Use two filters at 1 THz and 5 THz to reconstruct spectral content
- Very sensitive to RF – laser jitter !



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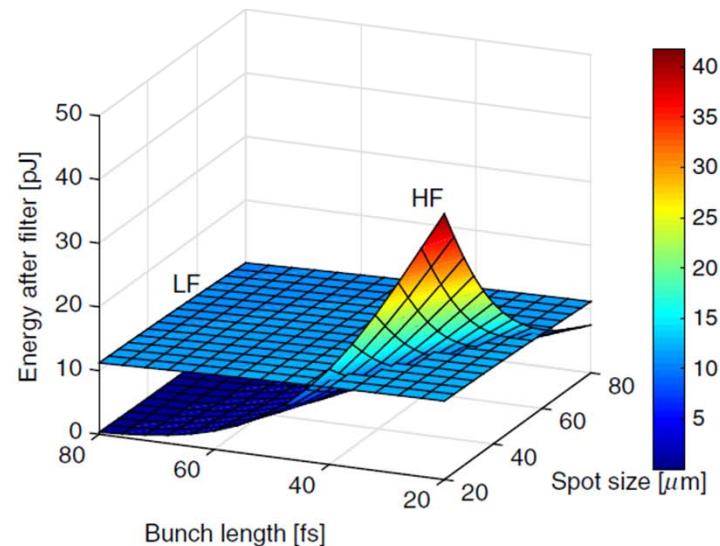
A. Murokh et al./Nucl. Instr. and Meth. in Phys. Res. A 410 (1998) 452–460



$^4\text{He}$  cooled bolometer

TABLE III. Measured electron pulse duration.

Charge	Bunch length	Simulation
2 pC	33 fs–51 fs	35 fs
3 pC	18 fs–44 fs	38 fs
9 pC	50 fs–63 fs	71 fs

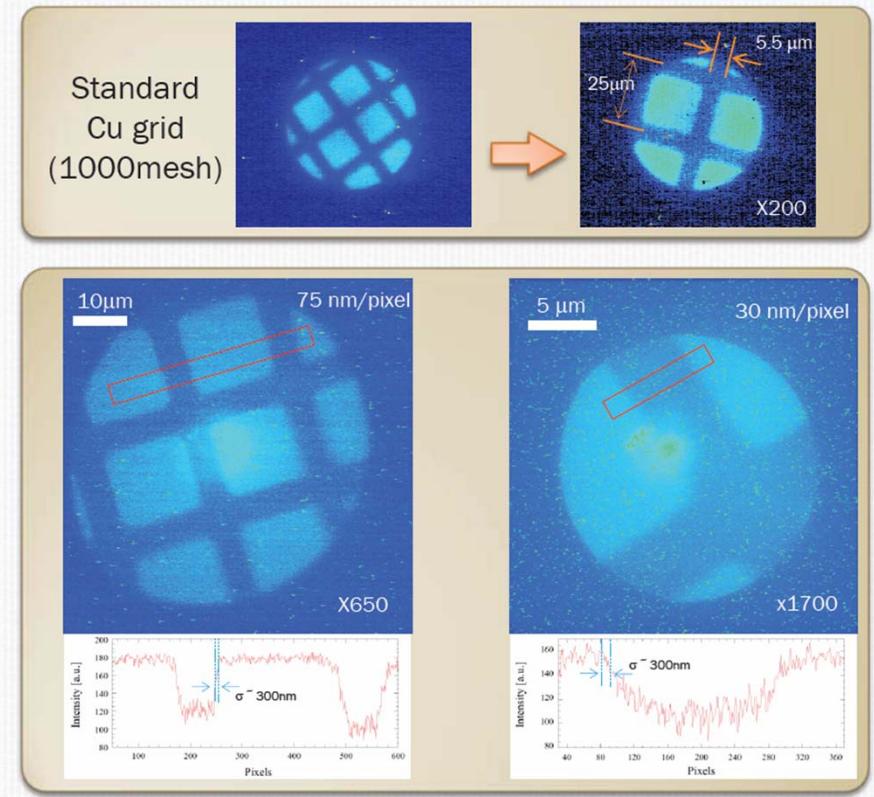


# Worldwide R&D on MeV UEM: following MeV UED steps

Prototype MeV UEM at Osaka Univ.



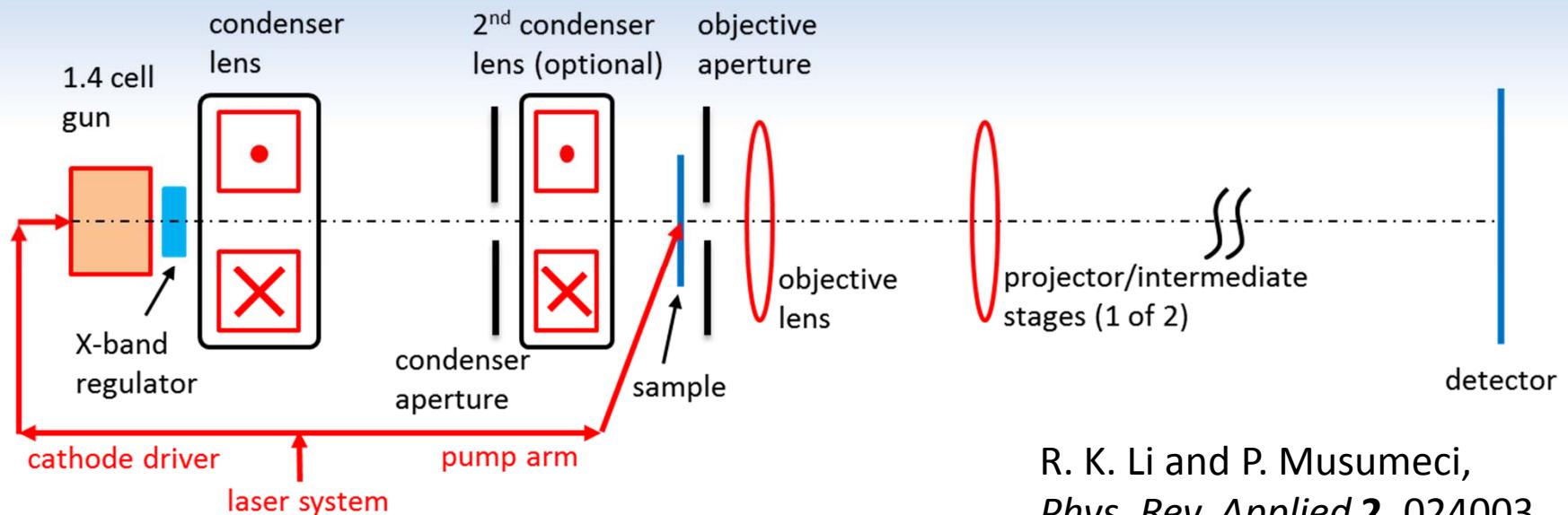
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See also D. Xiang, et al., Nucl. Instrum. Methods Phys. Res., Sect. A 759, 74 (2014).

similar UEM/UED projects in China and Germany! Now SLAC and LBNL

# UCLA concept for MeV-ps microscopy



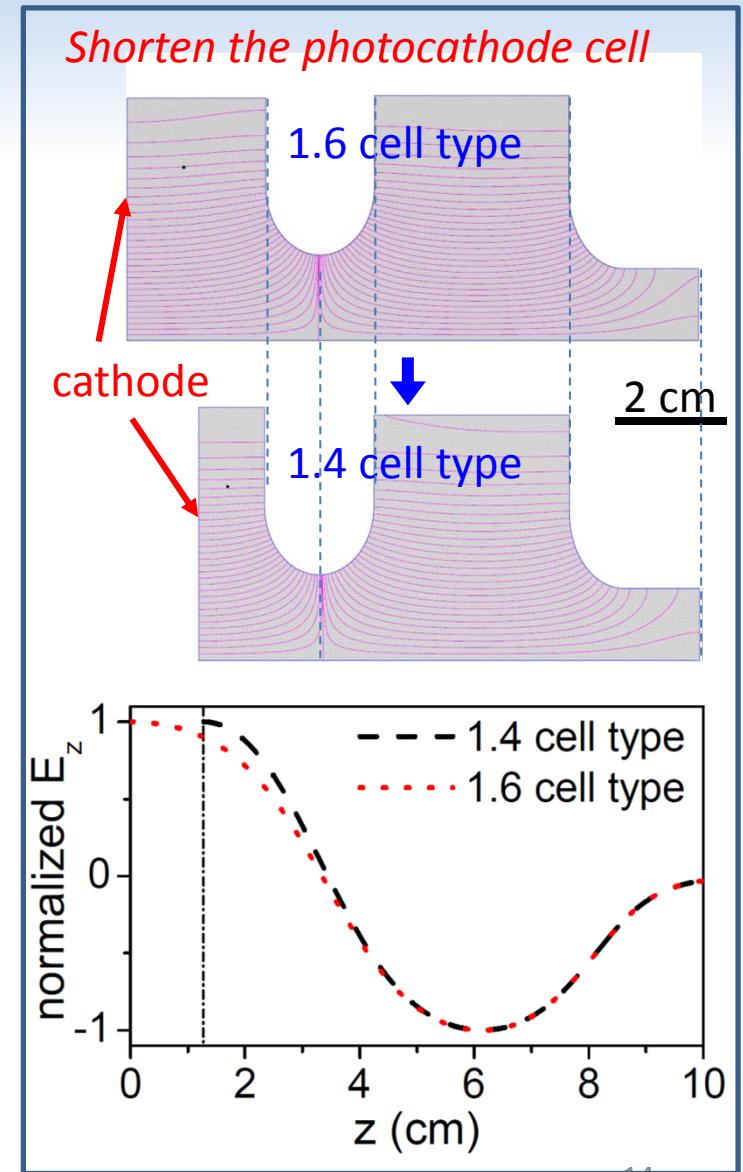
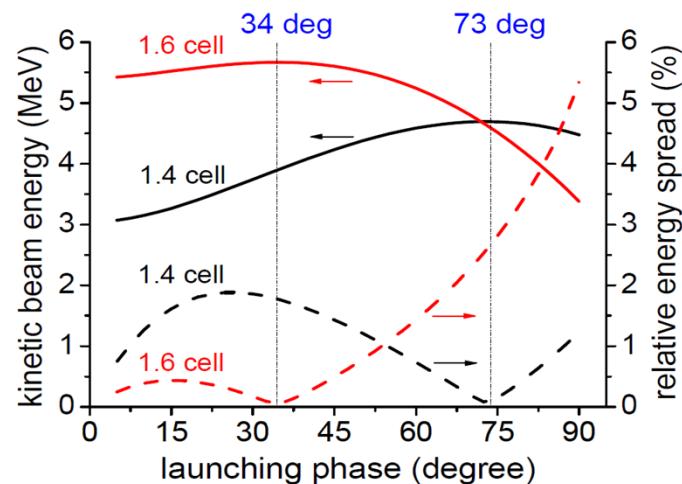
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- *high gradient S-band rf gun (1.4 cell gun)*
- *cigar-shape low emittance beam (small spot UV laser)*
- *X-band rf regulation cavity for energy spread silencing*
- *strong PMQ- based electron lenses*
- *high efficiency detection of MeV electrons R. K. Li et al., JAP 110, 074512 (2011)*
- *rf amplitude and phase control (at  $1\times 10^{-4}$  and 0.01 degree level)*
- *Full start-to-end numerical studies of aberrations and e-e interactions*

# Maximize extraction field in the gun

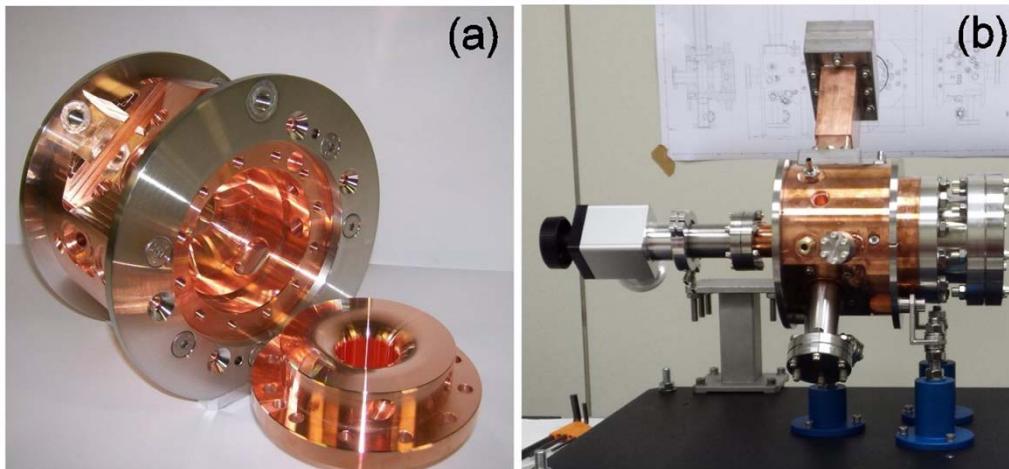
- ❖ Traditional (1.6 cell) photocathode rf gun optimized for high charge, high final output energy
- ❖ Optimal launch phase for 1.6 cell gun is 30°
- ❖ E-field at extraction (critical to beam brightness) is only half ( $\sin 30^\circ = 0.5$ ) of the available acceleration gradient of the gun
- ❖ Shortening the photocathode cell  $\Rightarrow$  higher launch phase, e.g. 70°, ( $\sin 70^\circ = 0.94$ ),  $\Rightarrow \times 2$  improvement in brightness

Comparing longitudinal dynamics

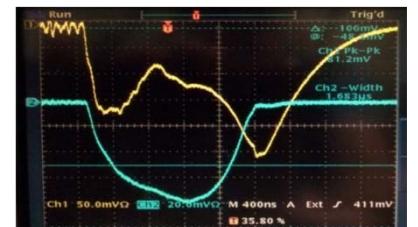


# 1p4 cell gun development at UCLA

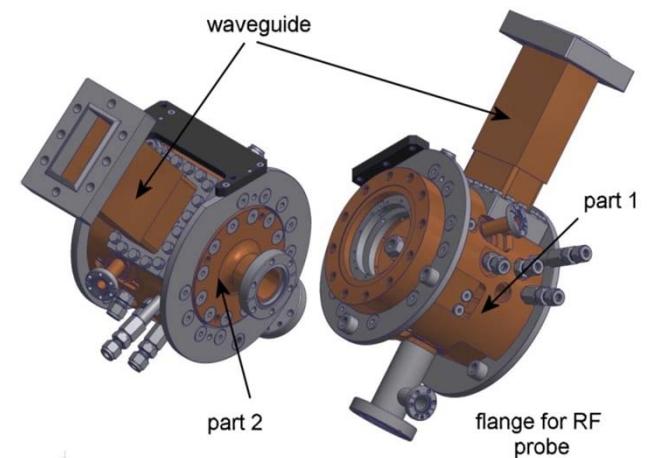
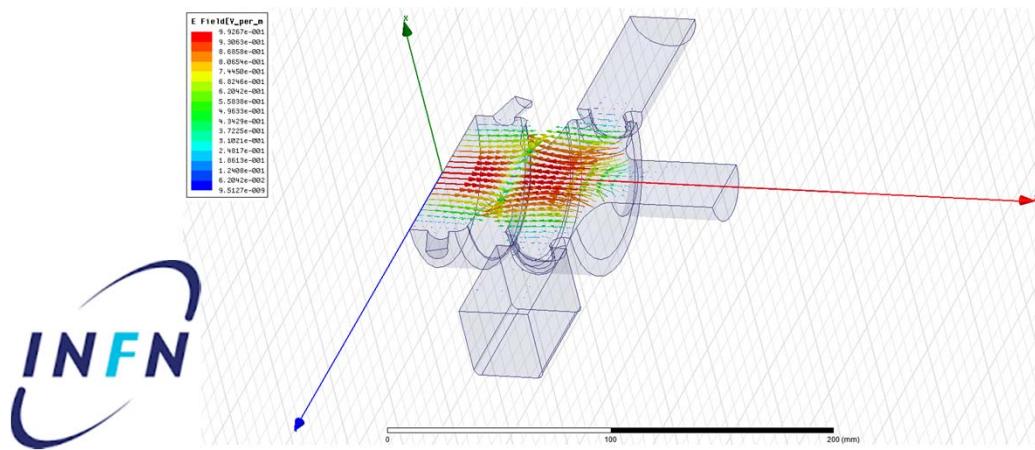
- Clamped RF gun by INFN



- ✓ Commissioned at UCLA Pegasus in June 2014
- ✓ ~95 MV/m. Limited by available RF power
- ✓ Reliable operation
- ✓ Replaceable cathode

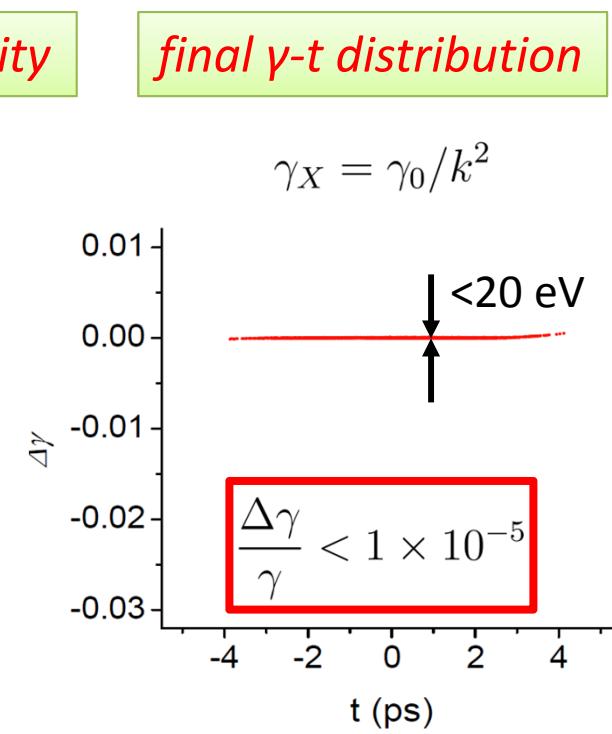
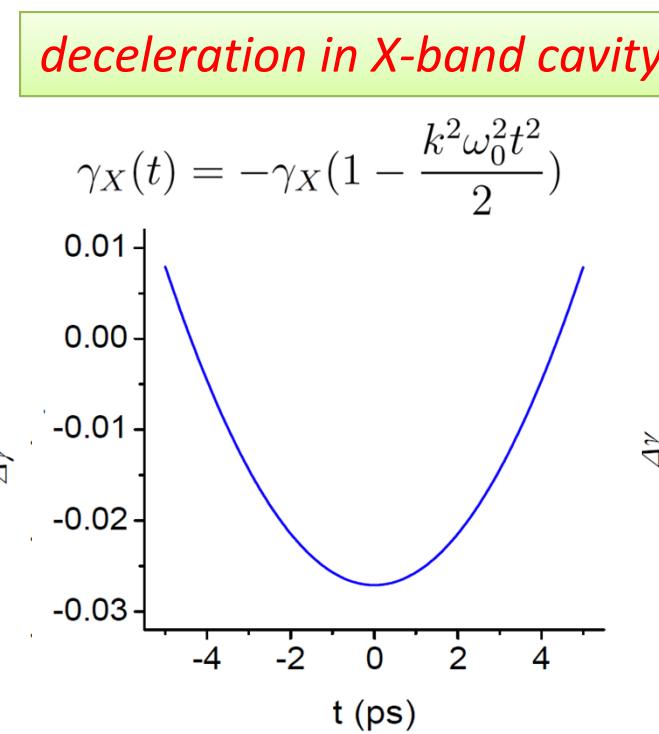
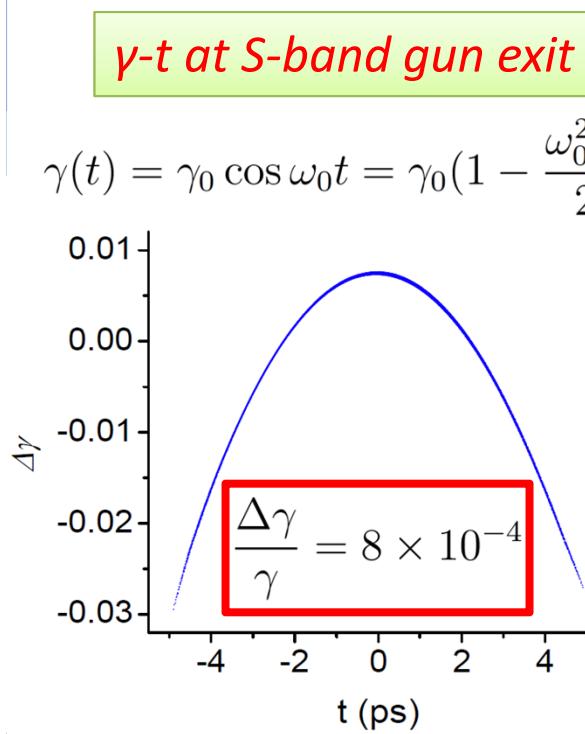


- 1p4 cell gun development



# Ultralow energy spread: *rf-based compensation*

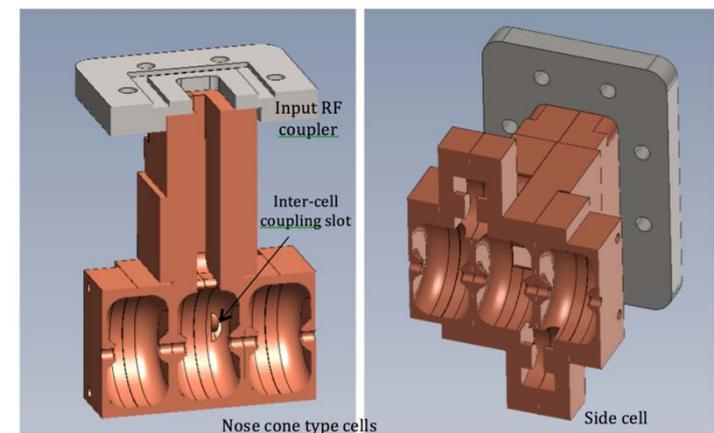
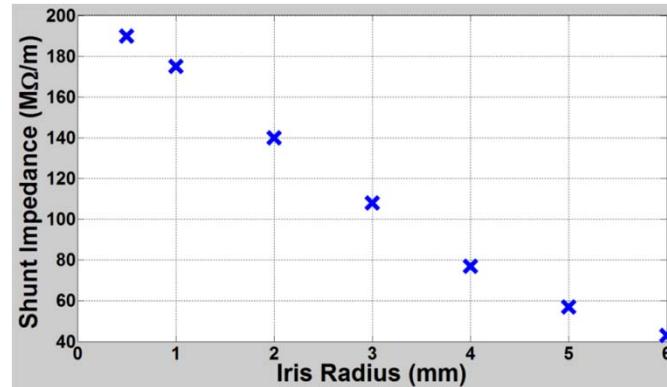
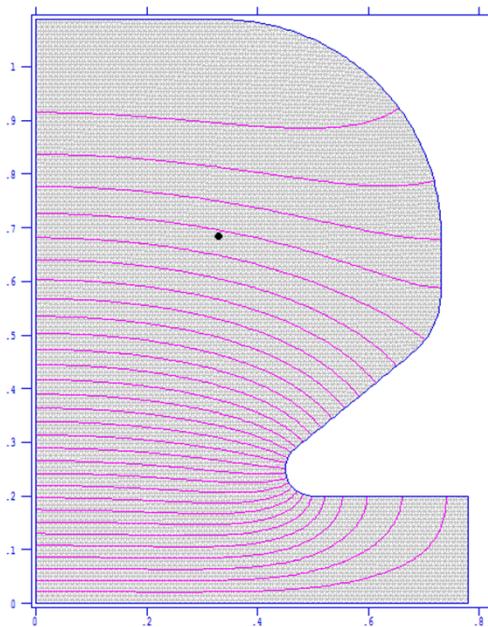
- Beam rf curvature from rf guns
  - beam energy depends on launching phase (time)
  - beam energy spread dominated by the rf curvature
  - slice energy spread much smaller



- larger  $k \equiv \omega_X/\omega_0$  works better (less deceleration, less power)
- performances limited by rf amplitude and phase stabilities

# High shunt impedance RF linearizer design

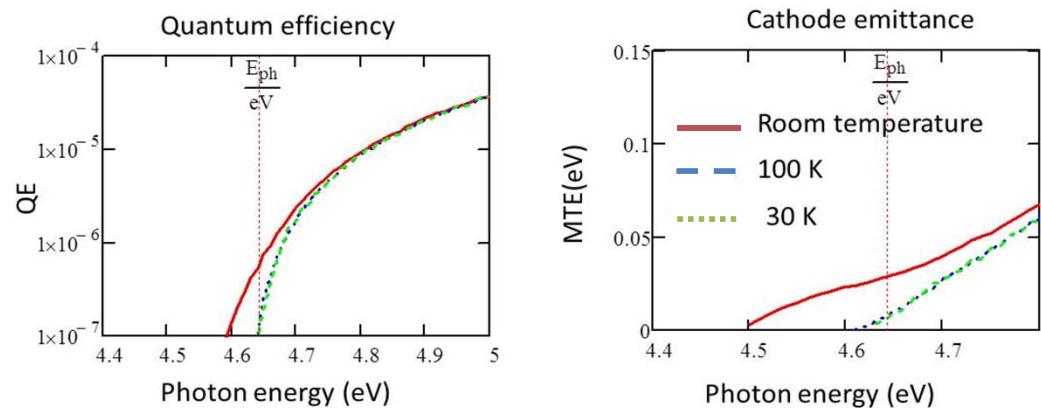
- 9.6 GHz 50 kW power source available
- **3 cells with 4 mm iris diameter = > 400 kV**
- Main challenge is two-frequency phase stability



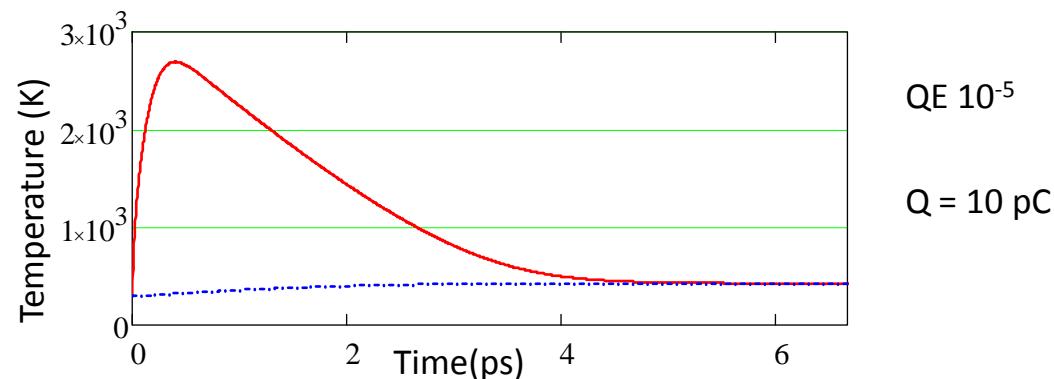
Cell length at 9.6 GHz  $\sim$  1.56 cm

# Cold metal cathodes

- A solution for high density low thermal emittance?
- Recent results from Cornell (L. Cultrera et al., arXiv 1504.05920 2015) indicate record low emittances for alkali-antimonide
- Dowell and Schmerge (*PRST-AB* 12, 074201 (2009)) formulas suggest similar benefits for metals



- **Ultrafast heating of metals**
  - What is the electronic temperature at emission?
  - Long cigar aspect ratio takes advantage of electron-lattice coupling

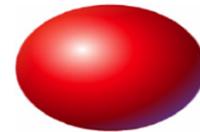


# Preserve brightness during transport

- Uniformly filled ellipsoidal distribution is the ideal case.
- How to create these distributions:
  - Illuminate cathode with short pulse and use longitudinal space-charge expansion (PANCAKE)
  - Illuminate cathode with long and skinny pulse and use transverse space-charge expansion (CIGAR)
  - Direct ellipsoidal laser pulse shaping (not yet demonstrated)

Fundamental solution:

Waterbag bunch

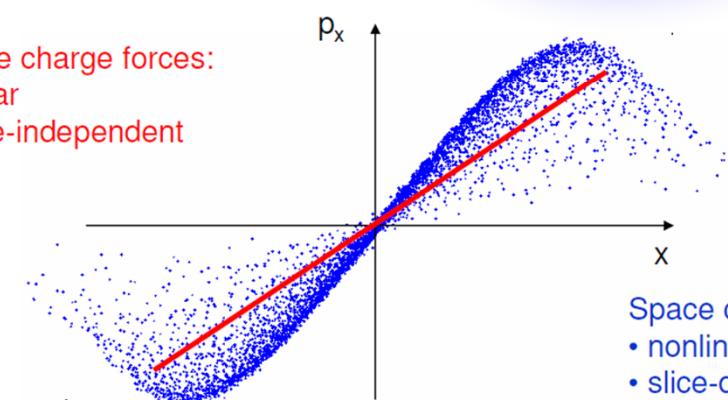


Gaussian bunch



Space charge forces:

- linear
- slice-independent

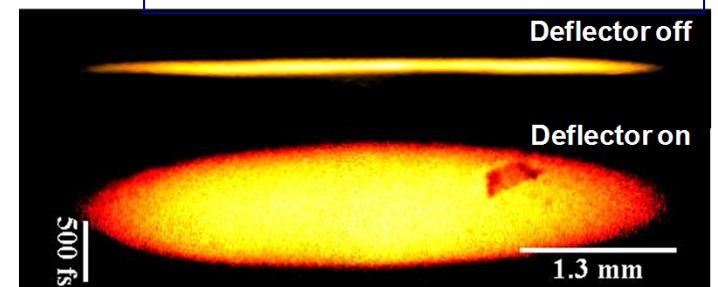


- Space charge forces:
- nonlinear
  - slice-dependent

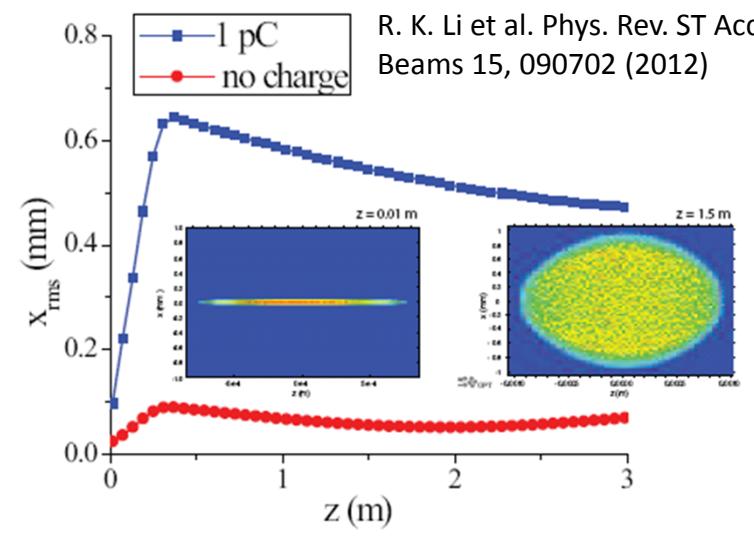
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Thermal-emittance-limited beam!

P. Musumeci et al. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **100**, 244801 (2008)

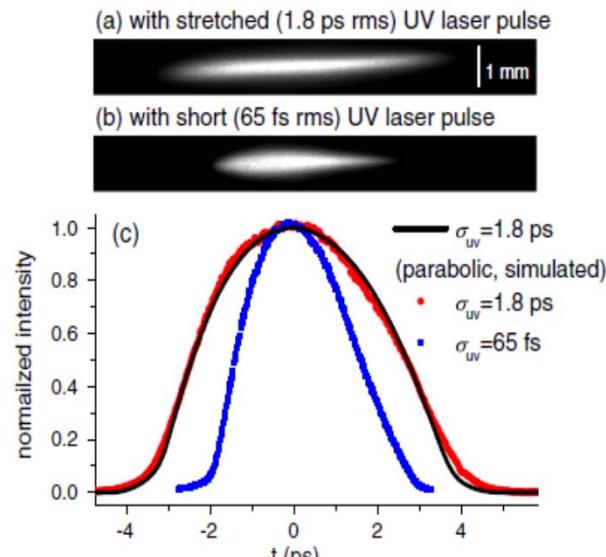


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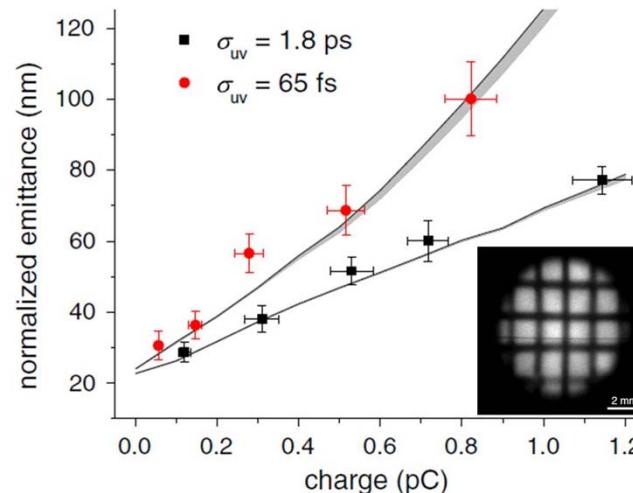


# Cigar-beam: pC charge, ultralow emittance

- ❖ Cigar-beam: long (10 ps) and narrow (<30  $\mu\text{m}$  spot size)
  - the aspect-ratio can beat the ‘virtual cathode limit’ D. Filippetto et al., PRSTAB
  - very small intrinsic emittance from the cathode Claessens et al., PRL (2005)
  - transverse and longitudinal dynamics are essentially decoupled



R. K. Li et al, PRSTAB 15, 090702 (2012)



‘grid method’ measure very low (~1 nm) geometric emittance

Simulations shows we can generate 5 MeV, 1 pC charge, 3 ps rms width, <10 nm normalized emittance, <1  $\mu\text{m}$  rms spot size at the sample.

# RF photoinjector based condenser stage

- Could be used for nanodiffraction
  - Tune phase of cavity to compression
- Optimization:
  - Higher gun field
  - Cathode thermal emittance
  - Space charge induced dynamics
- More flexibility with two solenoids

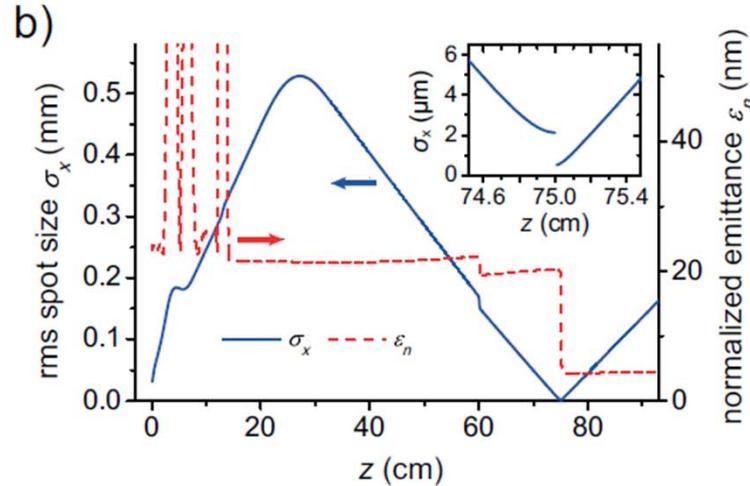
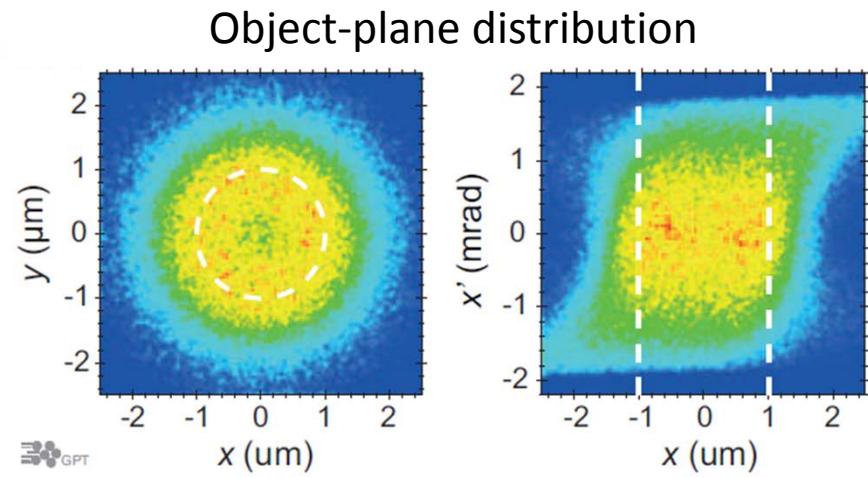


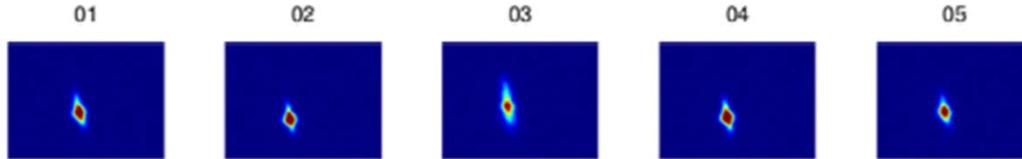
TABLE II. Parameters for the operation of the electron source and the electron beam qualities at the sample.

Parameters	Values
gun gradient	120 MV/m
gun phase	73 degree
initial beam charge	6.0 pC
UV spot size, rms (spherical)	20 $\mu\text{m}$
UV pulse duration, FWHM	10 ps
X-band cavity gradient	43.3 MV/m
<b>At the sample (within the 2.0 <math>\mu\text{m}</math> diameter area)</b>	
beam charge	1.0 pC
transverse momentum spread $\gamma\sigma_\theta$ , rms	$9.5 \times 10^{-3}$
bunch length, FWHM	10 ps
kinetic beam energy	4.4 MeV
relative energy spread $\delta\gamma/\gamma$ , FW50	$1.5 \times 10^{-5}$

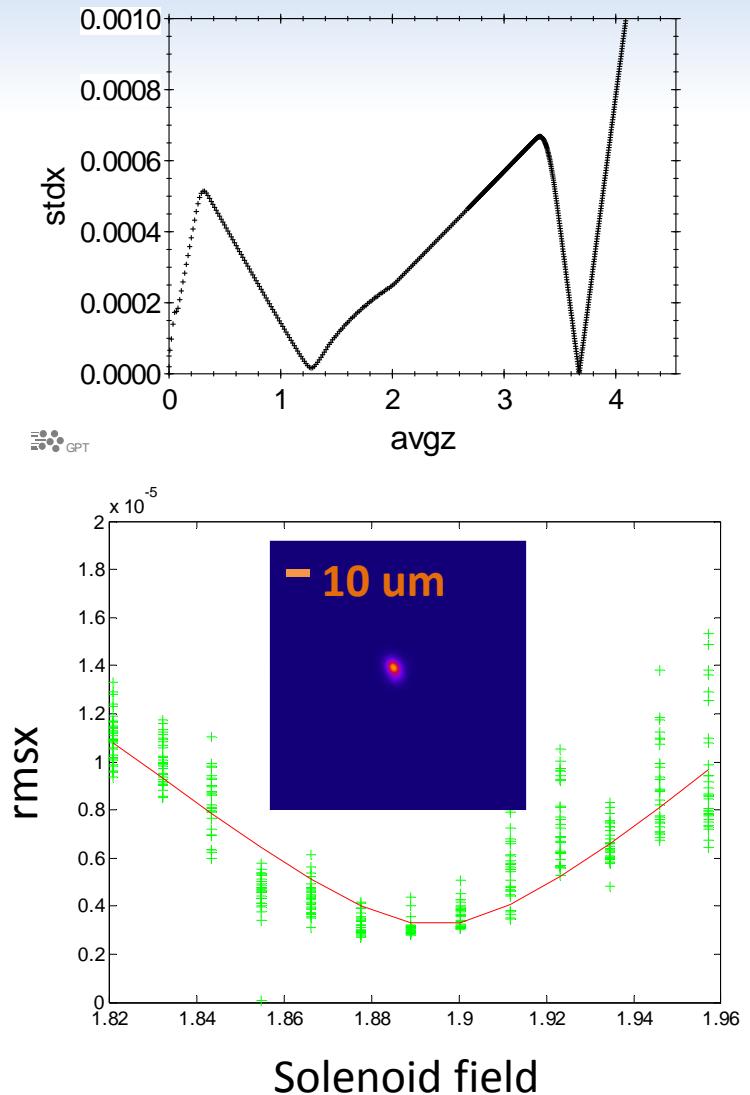


# Experiments at UCLA

- Two-solenoid condenser stage
- **3 um x 3 um** beam demonstrated.
  - Limited by depth of focus
- Solenoid scan yields
  - **30 nm normalized emittance @ 100 fC**
- Addition of pinhole to shape distribution and improve stability
  - RF amplitude -  $1.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$
  - RF phase - 0.1 degrees
  - laser pointing on virtual cathode - 3  $\mu\text{m}$
- Microscope objective + 30 micron thick YAG screen enable high resolution spatial profile measurements

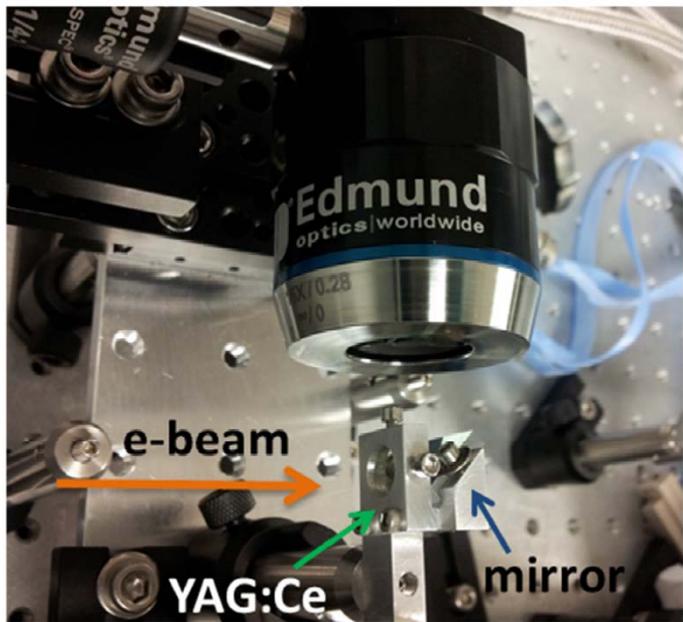


5  $\mu\text{m}$  rms pointing stability



# Micron beam size diagnostic development

- In-vacuum microscope objective.
  - Thinner fluorescent screen
  - TR?
- USE TEM-2000 grid as a knife-edge / emittance measurement
- Sub ps-beam point-projection microscope with micron resolution



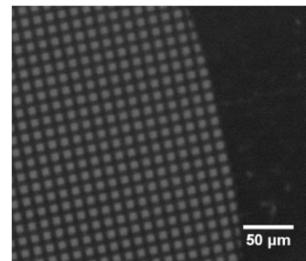
$$R = \frac{0.61 \lambda}{NA}$$

$$NA = 0.28$$

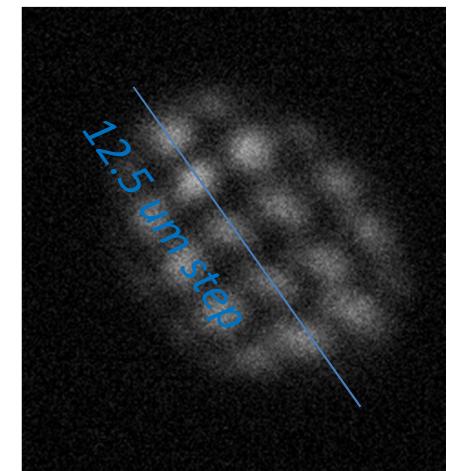
$$\lambda_{YAG:Ce} = 550 \text{ nm}$$

$$\Rightarrow R = 1.2 \mu\text{m}$$

Optical image of  
TEM 2000 grid



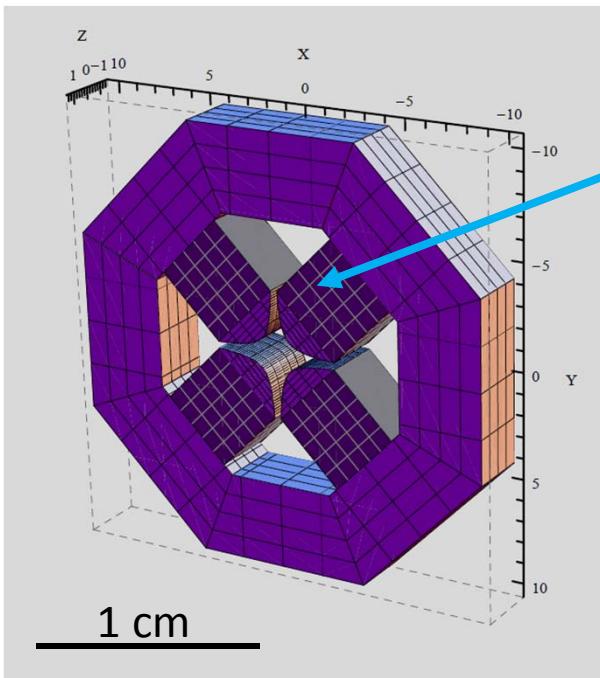
150 nm per pixel



# Strong lenses for MeV beams

- for conventional TEMs (<300 keV), solenoid lenses are used
- solenoid is symmetric, but very ineffective for high energy electrons
- $C_s$  and  $C_c$  are roughly equal to the focal length
- heavy and bulky NC solenoid ( $\leq 2.2$  T), or SC solenoid can be used
- PMQ quadrupoles are strong and compact
- Compare aberrations for different designs

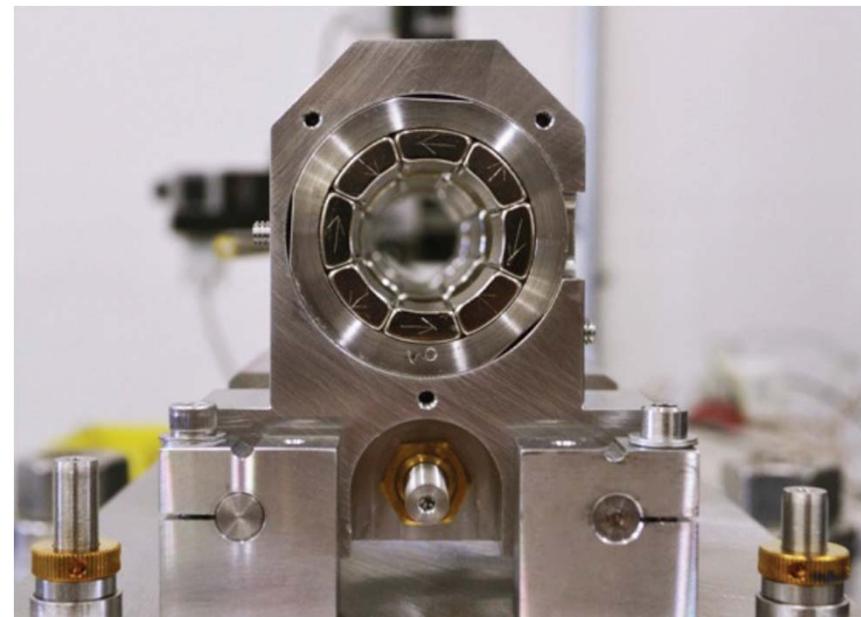
Cube design



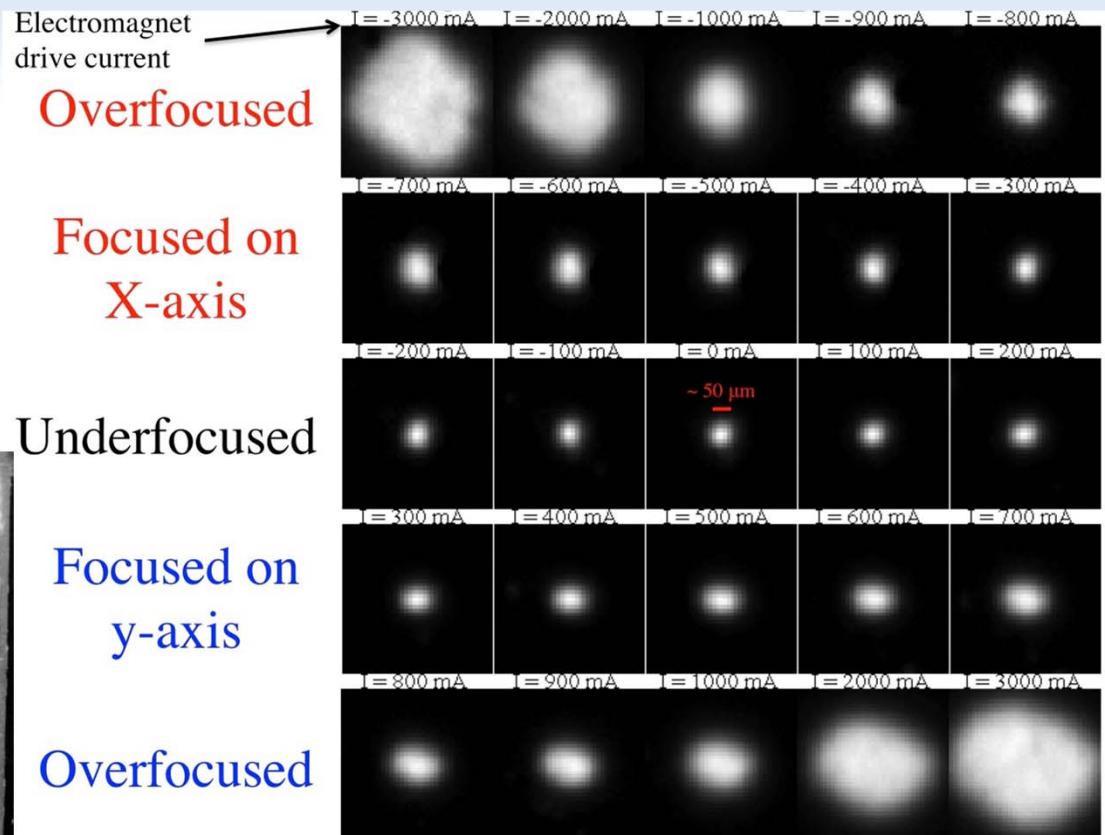
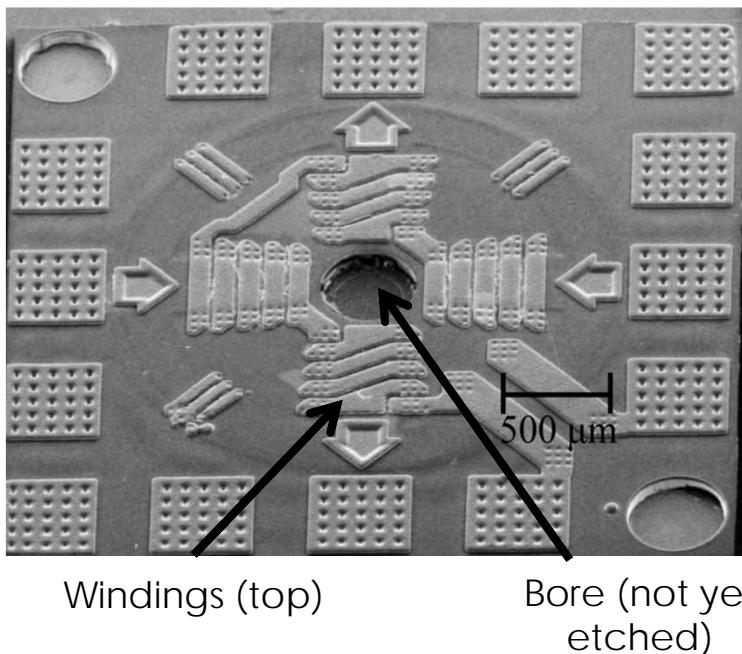
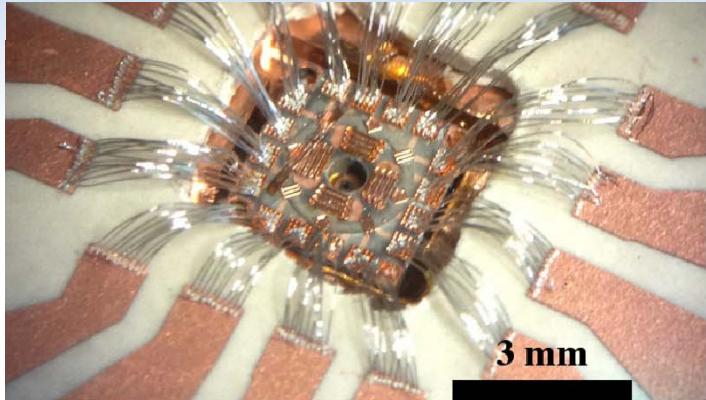
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Gradient  
 $G \sim 500$  T/m

Halbach design



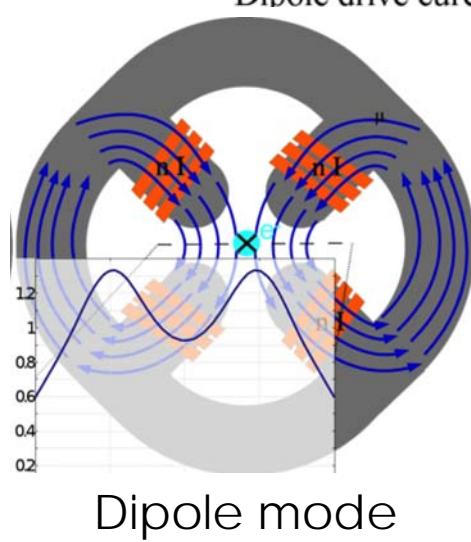
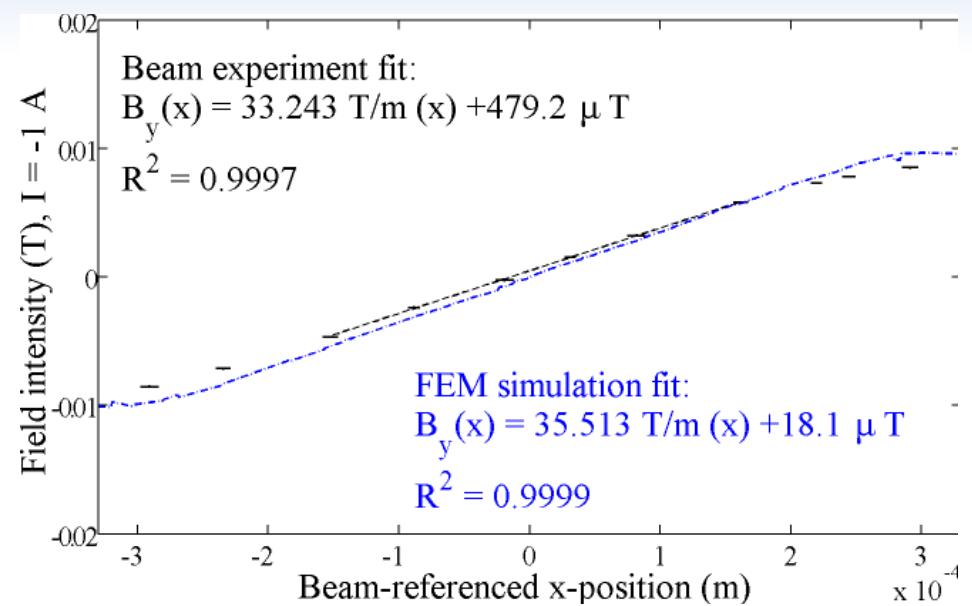
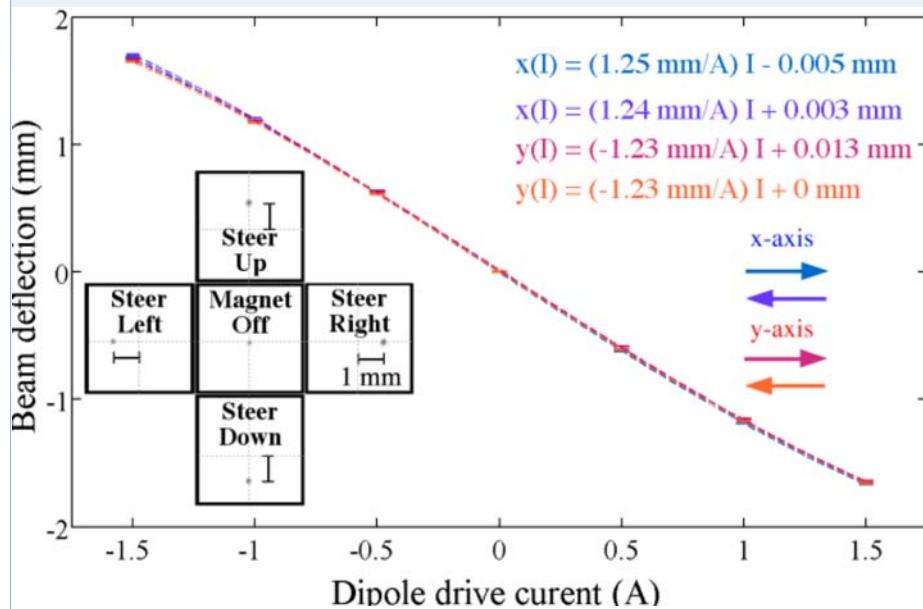
# Microfabricated quadrupoles



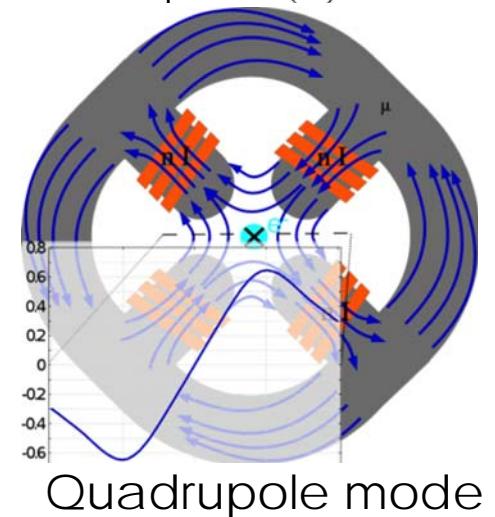
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# First MEMS quads work!

(new batch to improve focusing strength)



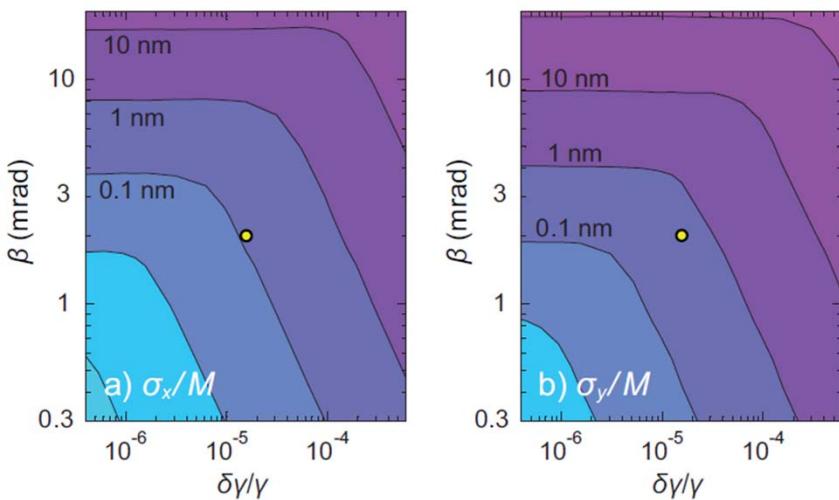
Magnet gap	Yoke length	Pole taper	Peak field gradient	Magnetic length	Winding current
0.6 mm	0.055 mm	7.5°	253 T/m	0.477 mm	4.6 A
0.6 mm	0.2 mm	35°	1.0 kT/m	0.504 mm	11.0 A
0.4 mm	0.2 mm	40°	2.2 kT/m	0.387 mm	9.6 A
0.2 mm	0.2 mm	30°	6.1 kT/m	0.281 mm	6.1 A
0.1 mm	0.2 mm	30°	10.0 kT/m	0.245 mm	2.9 A



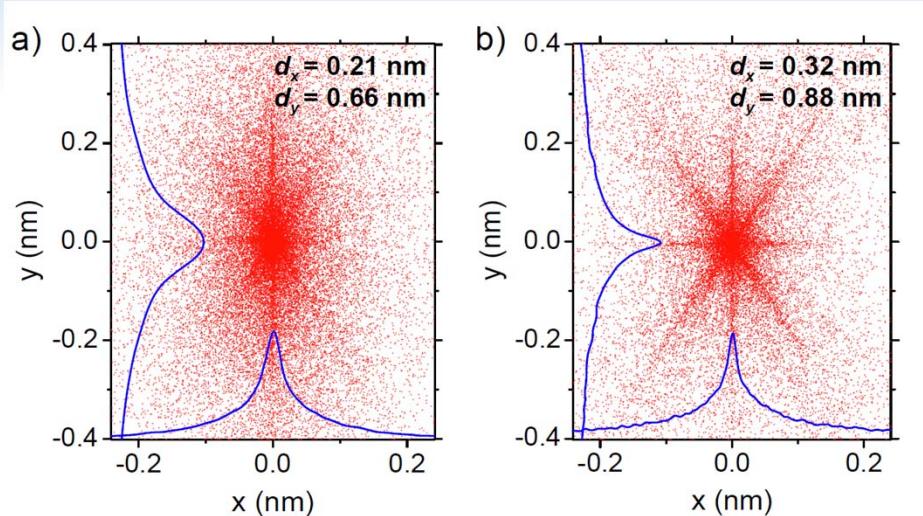
# Spatial resolution limits

- *resolution determined by*
  - - aberrations
  - - electron flux
  - - e-e interactions
- *need reliable numerical tool*

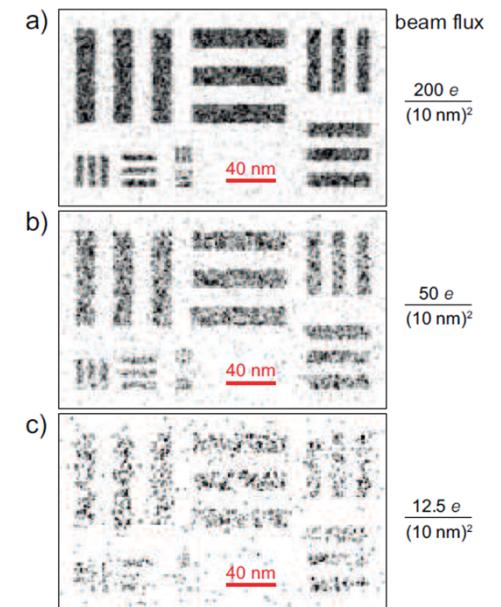
Chromatic and spherical aberrations:  
Thin quadrupoles case



ideal hard-edge PMQ      3D PMQ field map

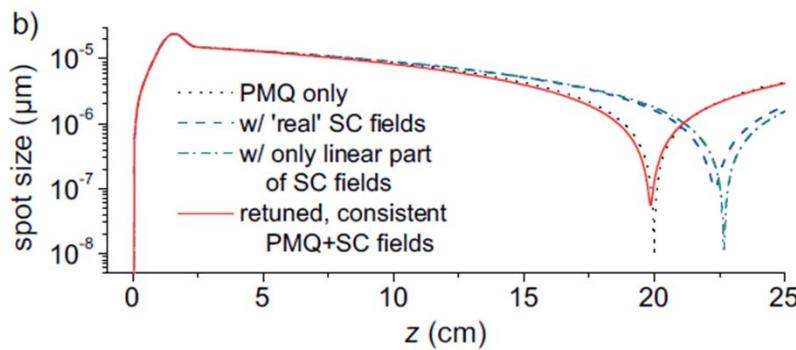


- Rose criterion:
- Beat Poisson noise on detector
  - $> 100 \text{ e- / d}^2$

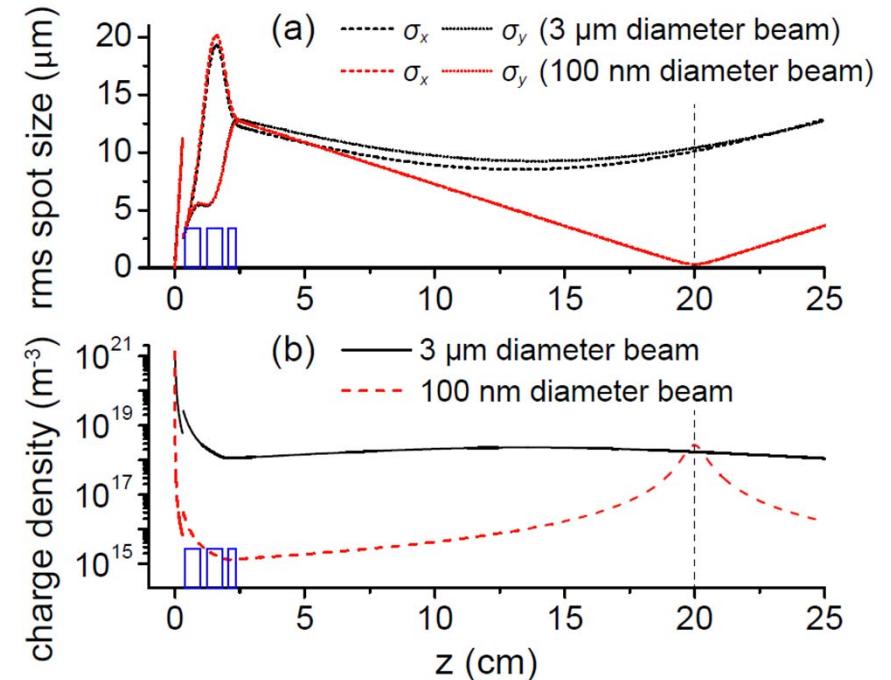


# Space charge effects in transmission electron microscope column

- Space charge: smooth + stochastic part
- Full scale simulation cumbersome and not easy to optimize
- Scaled simulation is usually incorrect !!!
- Novel algorithms to estimate space charge effects on resolution
- Separate smooth space charge contribution
  - Linear effect: retune lenses
  - Non linear aberrations

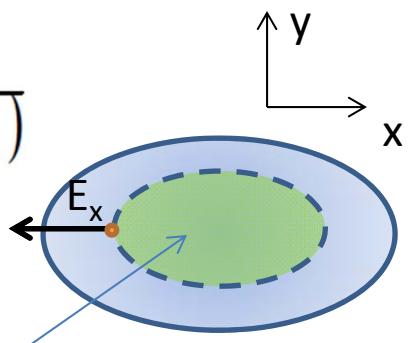


Example: same divergence, 1/30 spot size



$$E_x \approx \frac{e\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{x}{\sigma_x(\sigma_x + \sigma_y)}$$

$\lambda$  enclosed current

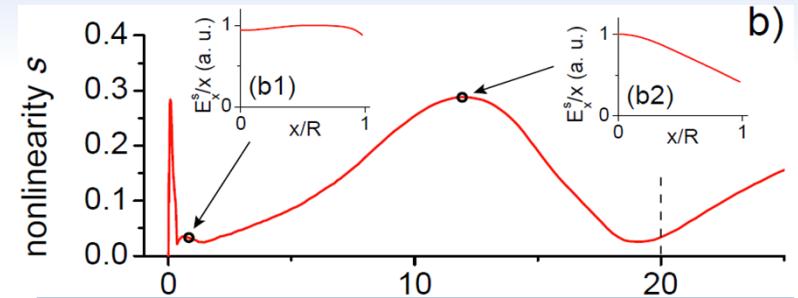


# Non linear space charge aberrations

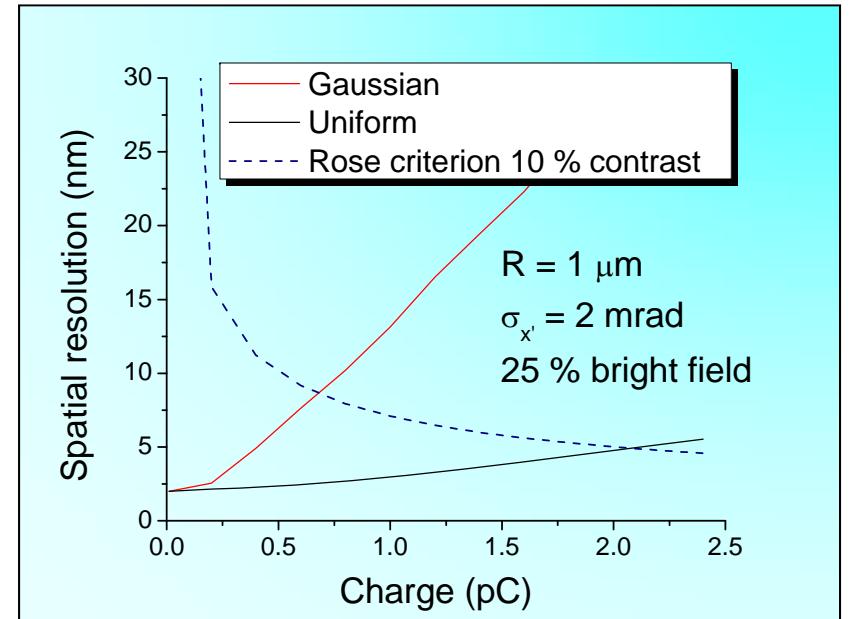
- GPT – based:
  - Pre-calculate space charge field using fewer macroparticles
  - Track full particle numbers into external field map
- Matlab-based microscope design tool: *SC-TEMlab*
  - Design beam line using matrix formalism with linear space charge approximation
  - Particle tracking
    - Effect of aberrations using particle tracking
    - Effect of Poisson noise on detector
    - Simulation of full image
    - Can take into account stochastic scattering !
    - Fast !
- Depend on angular distribution at samples
- Optimum charge level to maximize Rose resolution and minimize space charge aberrations.

*Resolution can be further optimized by alternative beam optics design introducing dynamics higher order corrections.*

Track beam shape and SC field profile

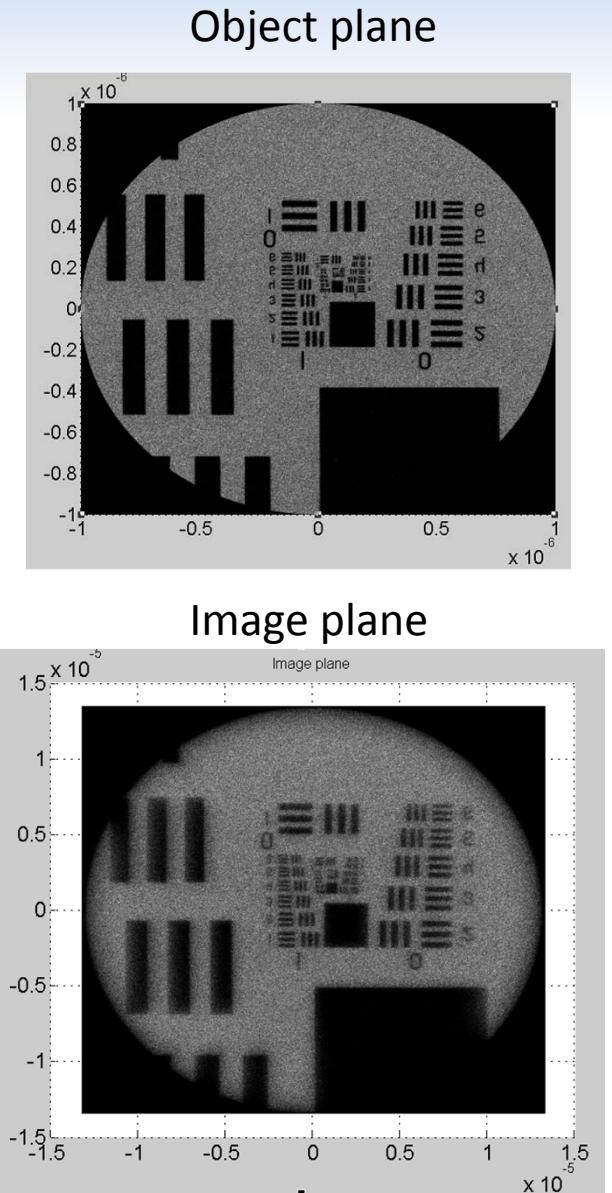
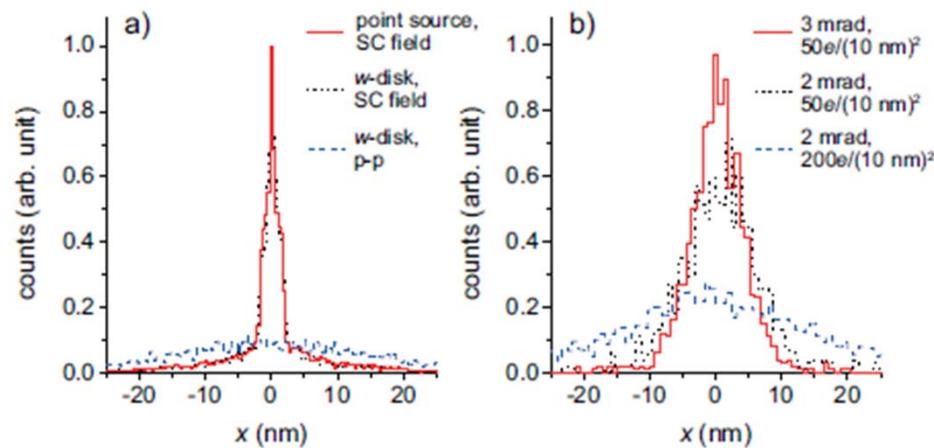


*SC forces are only linear when charge density is uniform (only at object and image planes)!*



# Point spread function and spatial resolution estimate

- Two different ways to calculate:
  - Size of a point source at the image plane
  - w-disk of correlation function (final position vs. magnified initial position i.e.  $FW50(x_f - M x_i)$ )
- Point-to-point stochastic scattering effects are a major contribution.
  - In GPT point-to-point using Barnes-Hut algorithm
  - In SCTEMlab. Stochastic heating effect



# Conclusions

- MeV time-resolved microscopy is an exciting novel application of high brightness beams
- Push to the limits RF photoinjectors as high brightness electron sources
- Condenser stage can be used for femtosecond relativistic electron nanodiffraction !
- Electron optics development opportunities
  - PMQ quads
  - MEMS quads
- Space charge effects in microscope column