

# AWAKE

MPP Project review

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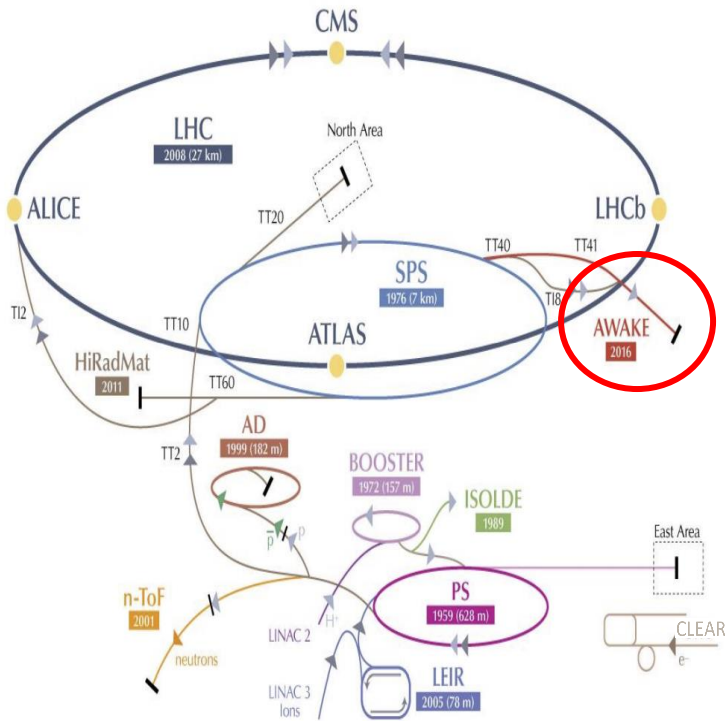
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# AWAKE Advanced WAKEfield Experiment

Plasma wakefield experiment at CERN

Collaboration of 23 institute worldwide :  
Max-Planck-Institut für Physik is one of the key contributor



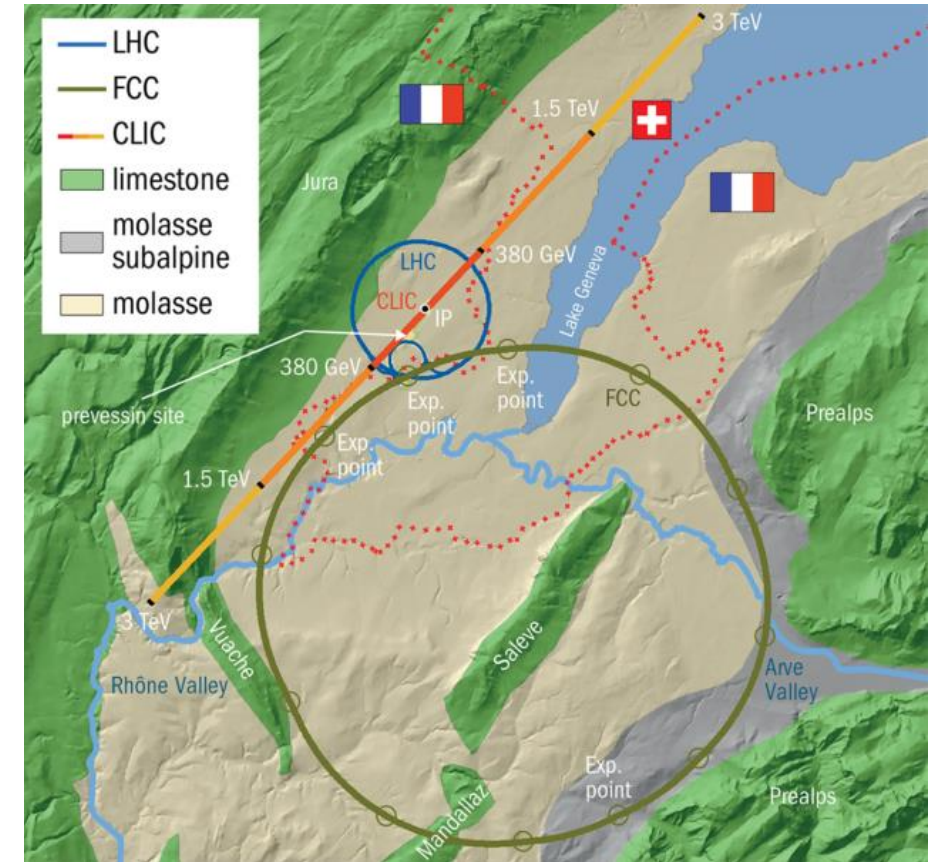
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# Plasma wakefield acceleration

High Energy physics requires ultra-relativistic accelerated particles

Maximum energy delivered to the particle is limited by:

- acceleration gradient mainly for linear accelerator
- bending dipole field in circular accelerator (hadron)
- synchrotron radiation losses in circular accelerator (electrons)
- maximum accelerator (tunnel) size



# Plasma wakefield acceleration

Classics accelerators have limited acceleration gradient based on RF cavities limited accelerator gradient. The limit of the order of 100 MV/m due to electrical breakdown in the cavities



Use of plasma as it is already ionized i.e. conductor and can sustain voltage up to 10 GV/m

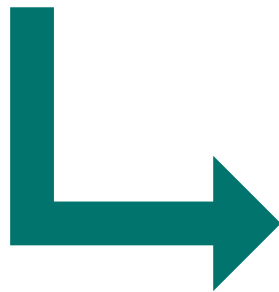
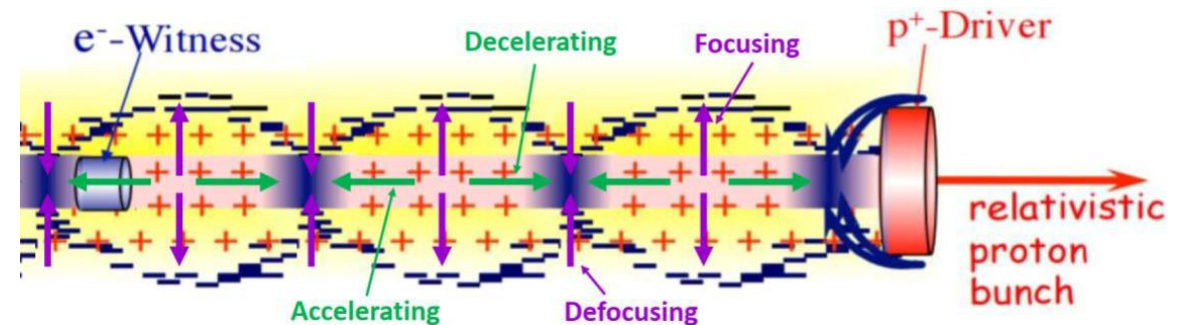


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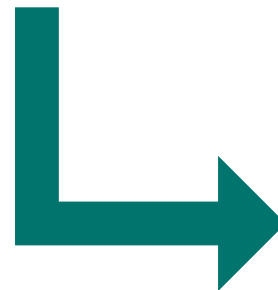
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# Plasma wakefield acceleration

A laser pulse or a charged particle that travel inside the plasma can induce a modulation of the plasma electron density that sustains longitudinal and transverse field which are called **wakefield**



Wakefield can be used to accelerate particles



At AWAKE we use proton bunch from the SPS as driver and electron bunch witness externally injected



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## Why a proton Plasma Wakefield Accelerator?

PW laser  $\approx 40\text{J/Pulse}$

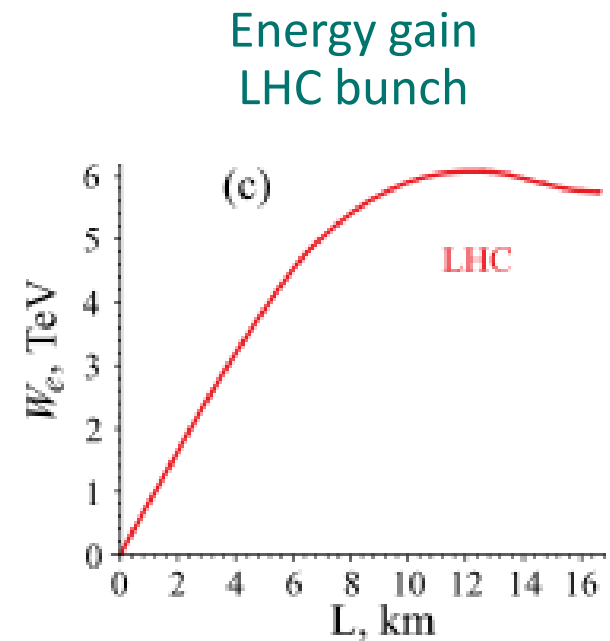
FACET (electron PWFA)  $\approx 30\text{J/Pulse}$

SPS 19 kJ/bunch

LHC 112kJ/bunch

} High energy in a single plasma stage

TeV in km  $\approx \text{GV/m}$



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A. Caldwell, & K. Lotov, (2011). Plasma wakefield acceleration with a modulated proton bunch, *Physics of Plasmas*, 18(10), 103101



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To efficiently drive wakefield the proton bunch should have:

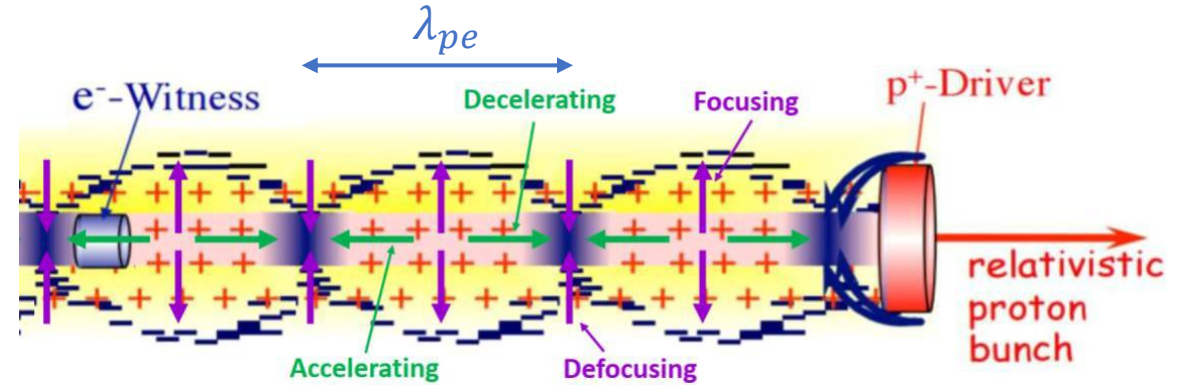
$$\sigma_r \approx \frac{\lambda_{pe}}{2\pi} \quad \sigma_z \approx \frac{\lambda_{pe}}{2\pi}$$

For SPS:

$$\omega = \omega_{pe} = \sqrt{\frac{n_e e^2}{m_e \epsilon_0}}$$

$$\sigma_r \approx 200 \mu m \Rightarrow n_e \approx 7 \cdot 10^{14} cm^{-3}$$

$$\sigma_z \approx 7 cm \gg \lambda_{pe}$$



## Self-Modulation Instabilities (SMI)

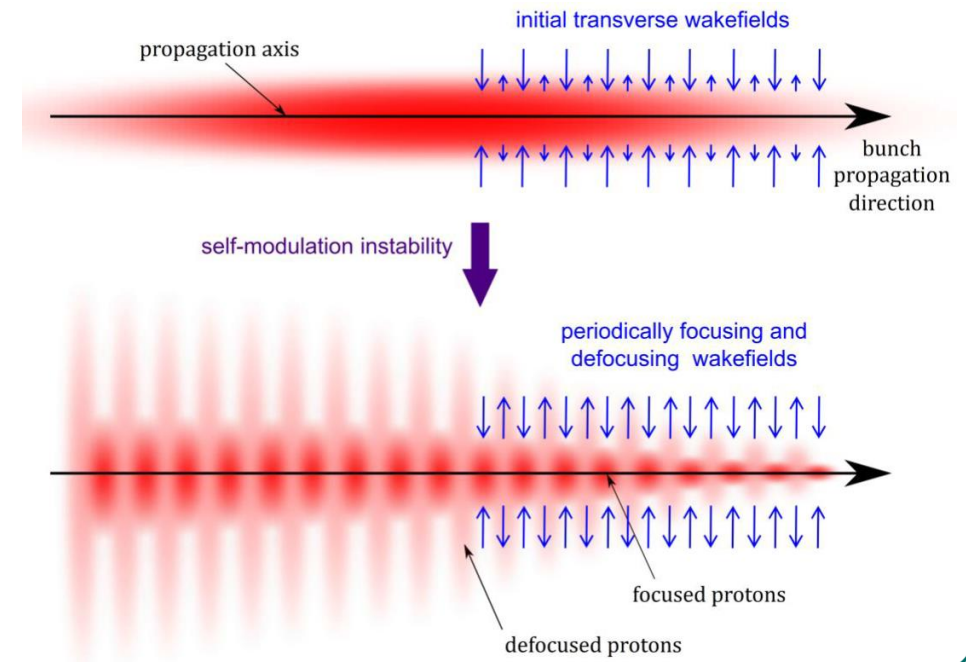


Image from F. Batch PhD thesis



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# AWAKE Run 1 (2016-2018)

## Awake Run 1 goals:

1. Demonstrate and study the seeded self-modulation (SSM) of the long SPS proton bunch in a dense plasma:  
$$\sigma_z \gg \lambda_{pe} \approx n_e^{-1/2}$$
2. Accelerate externally injected electrons to the GeV energy level



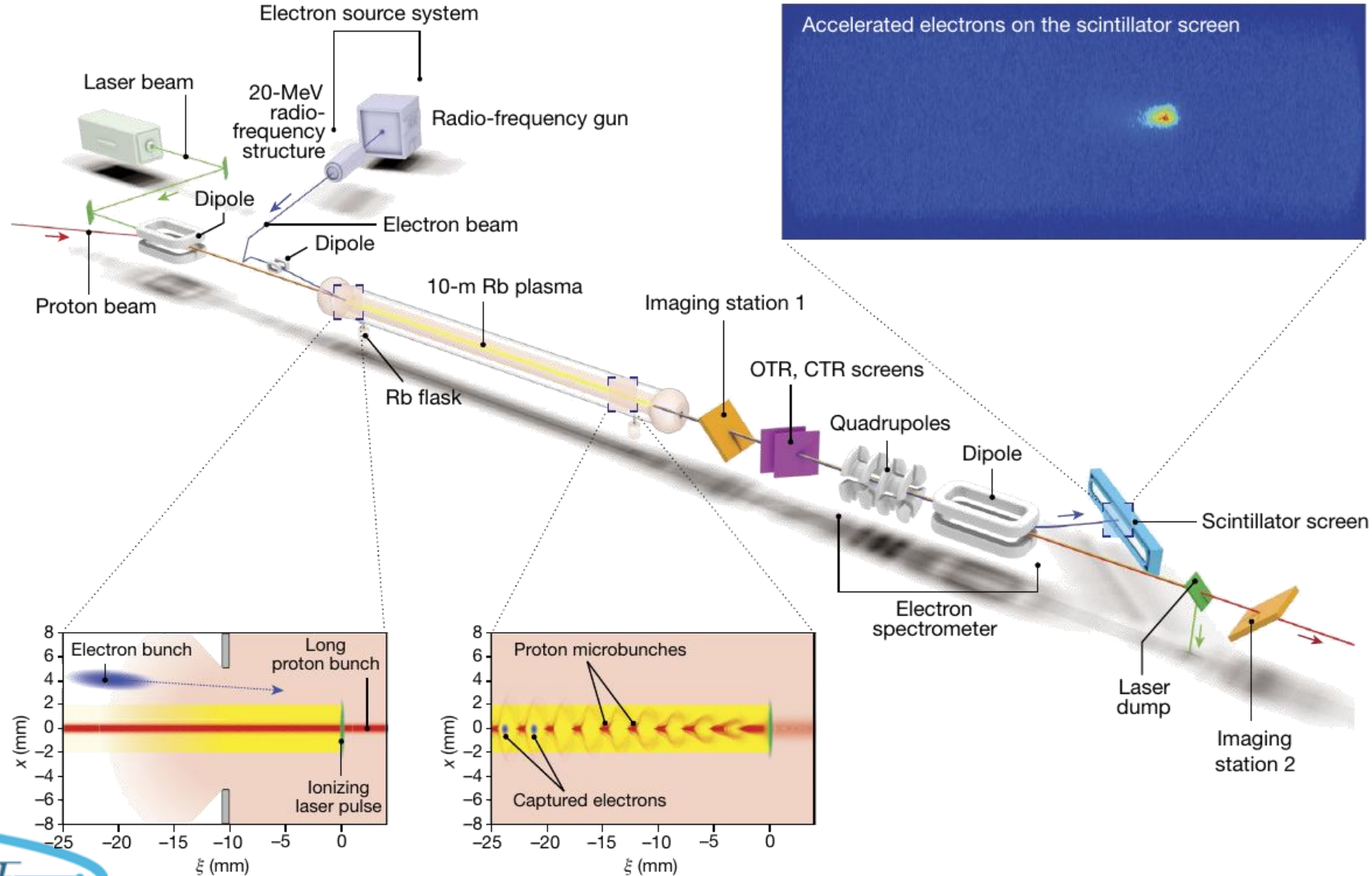
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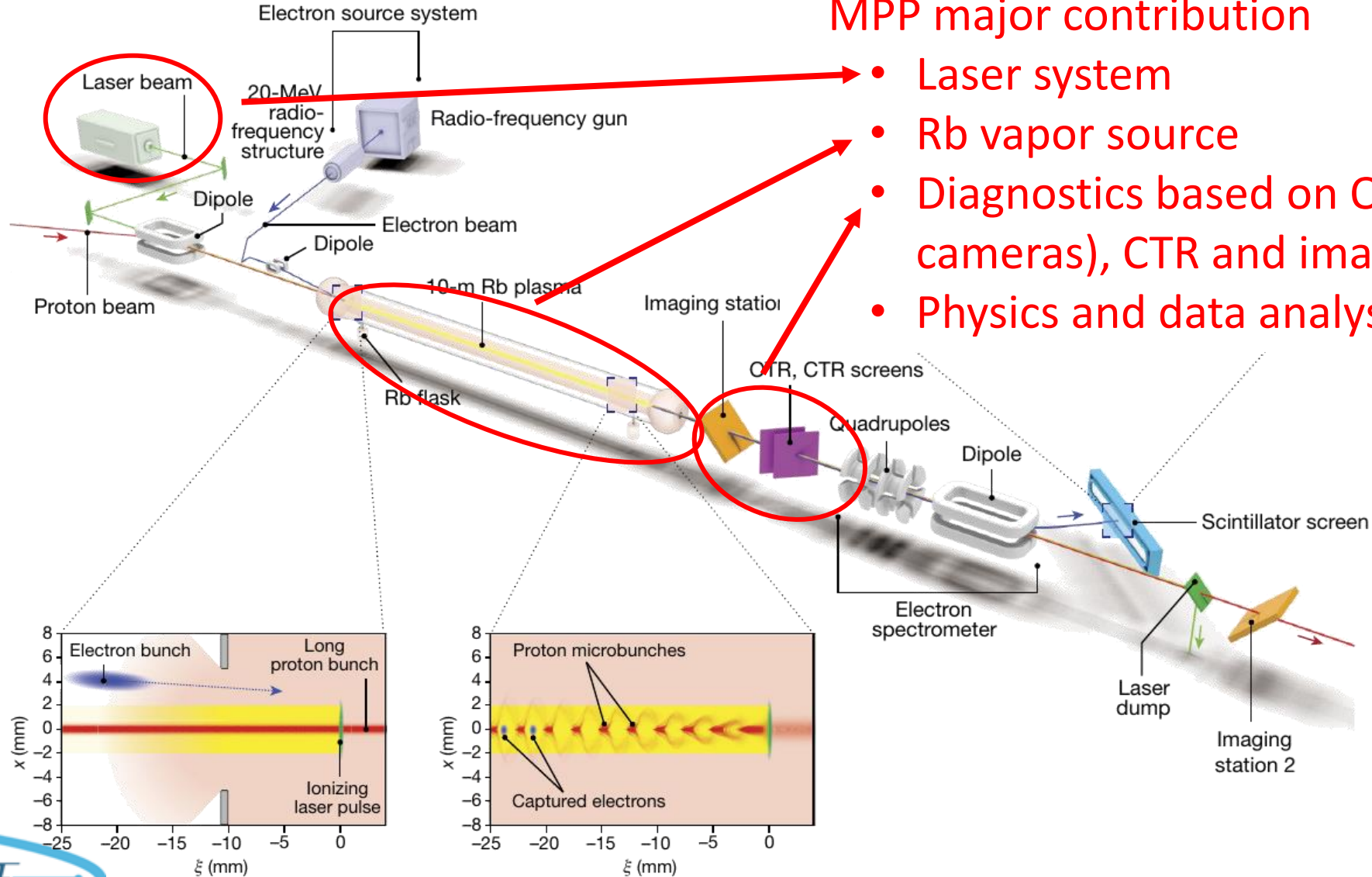


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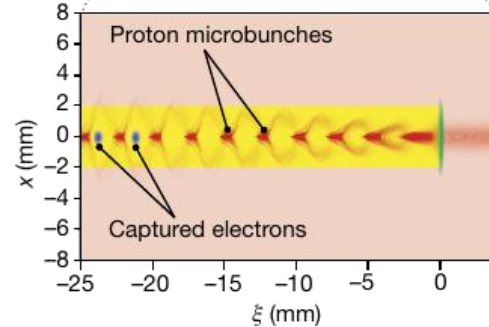
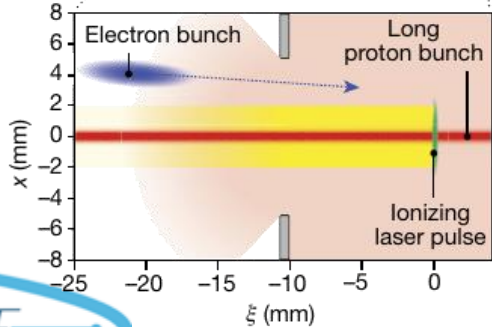
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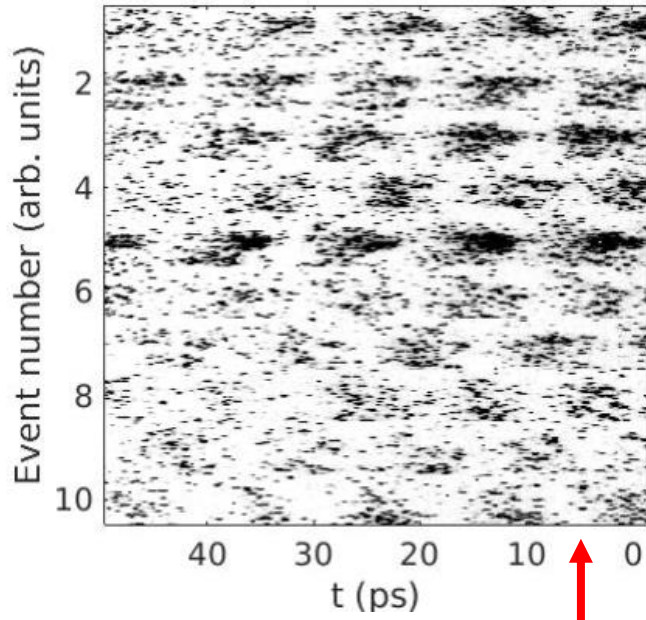
## MPP major contribution

- Laser system
- Rb vapor source
- Diagnostics based on OTR (streak cameras), CTR and imaging
- Physics and data analysis

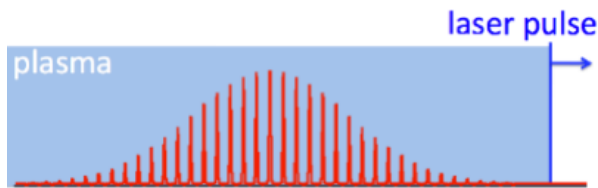


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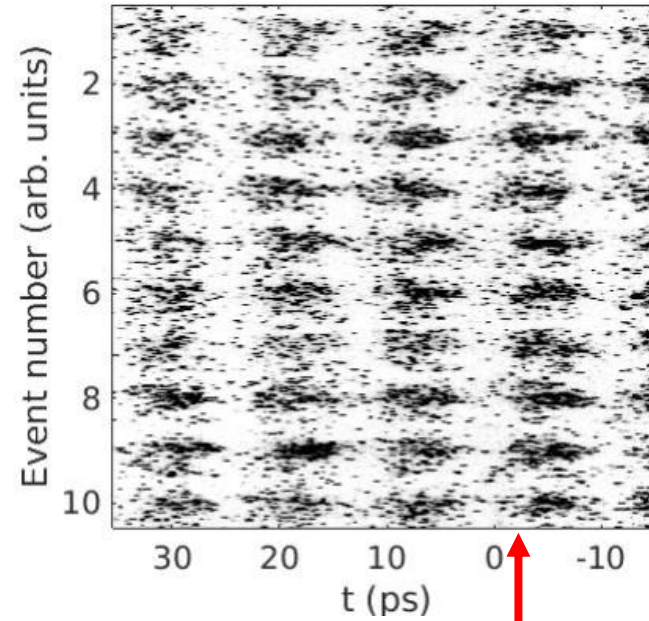
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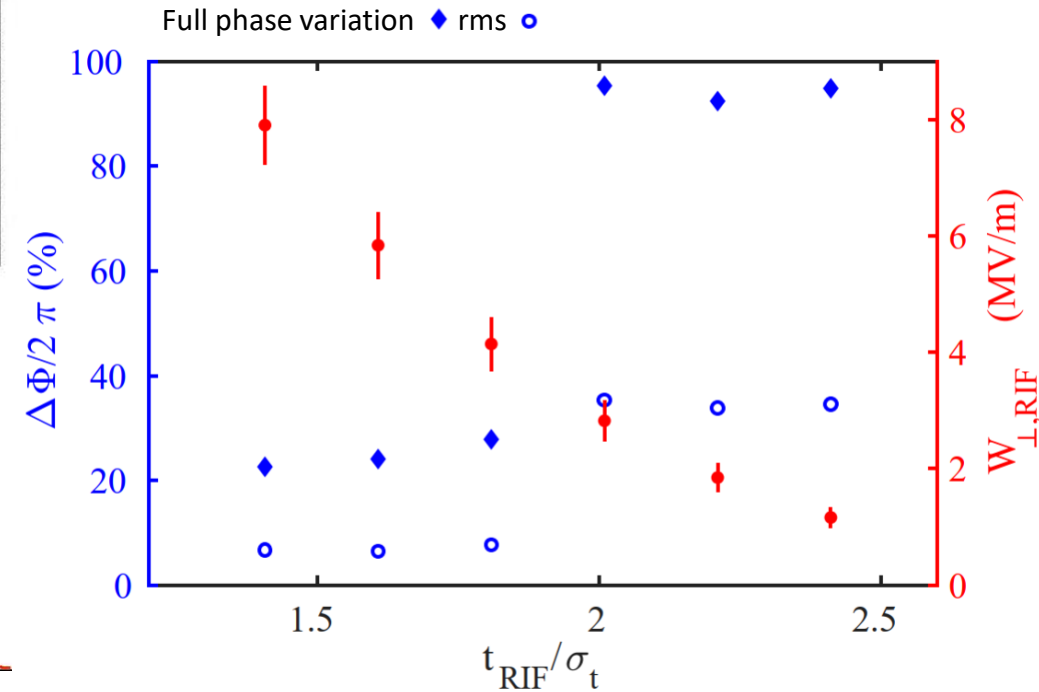
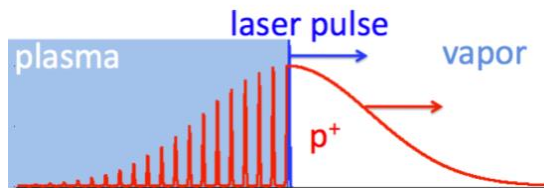
not reliable  $e^-$  acceleration



## Seeded Self-Modulation (SSM)



possible  $e^-$  acceleration



# AWAKE Run 2 (2021-)

## Awake Run 2 :

### From Acceleration to Accelerator

1. Demonstrate acceleration of externally injected electron bunch
2. Plasma source scalability and acceleration

Four phases:

- **seeding** proton bunch modulation with an **electron bunch** (2a) 2021-2022
- **plasma cell with density step** to stop the evolution of the modulation (2b) 2023-2024
- inject electrons & accelerate with limited emittance blowup (2c) After LHC LS3
- implement scalable plasma cell technologies (2d) After LHC LS3



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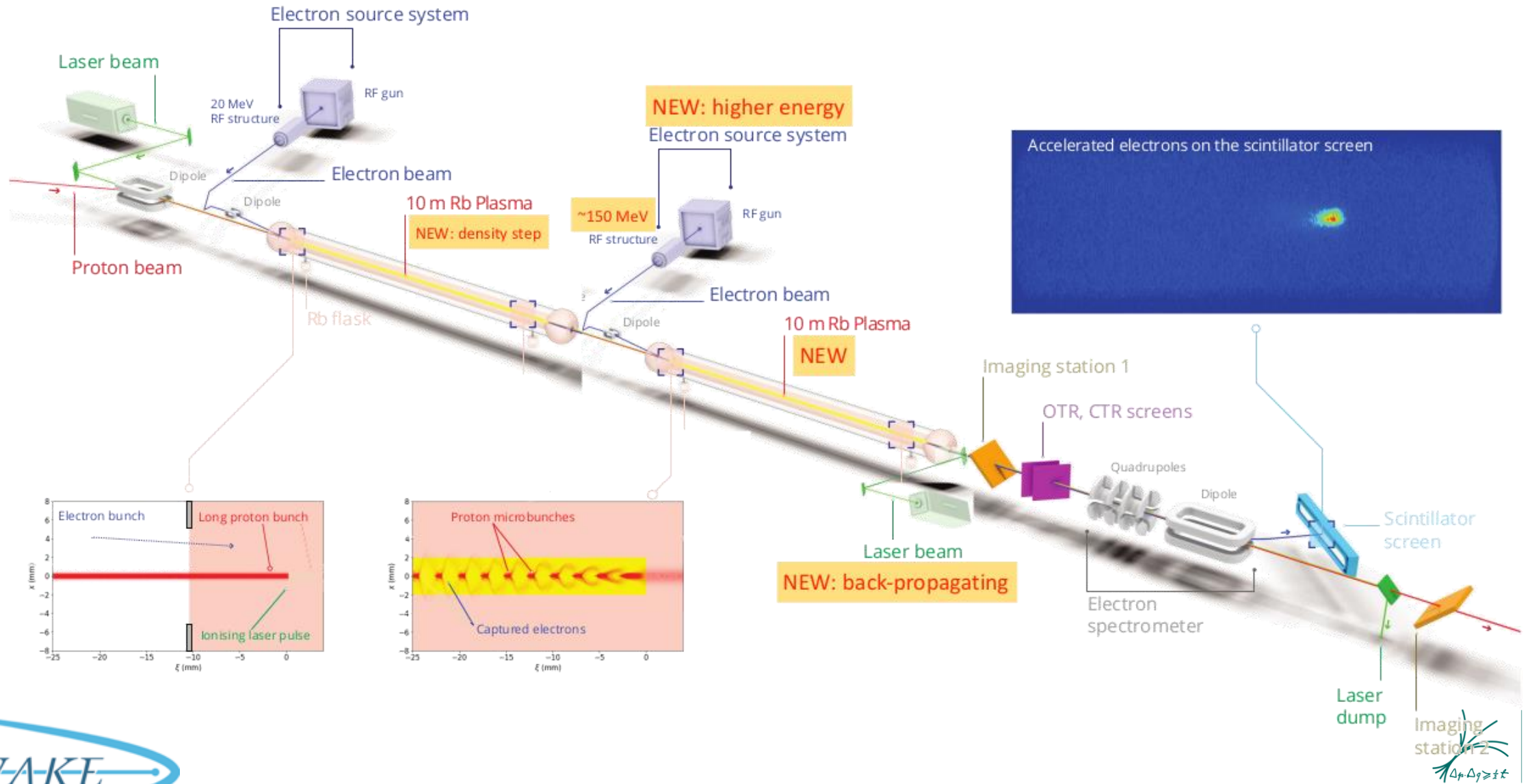


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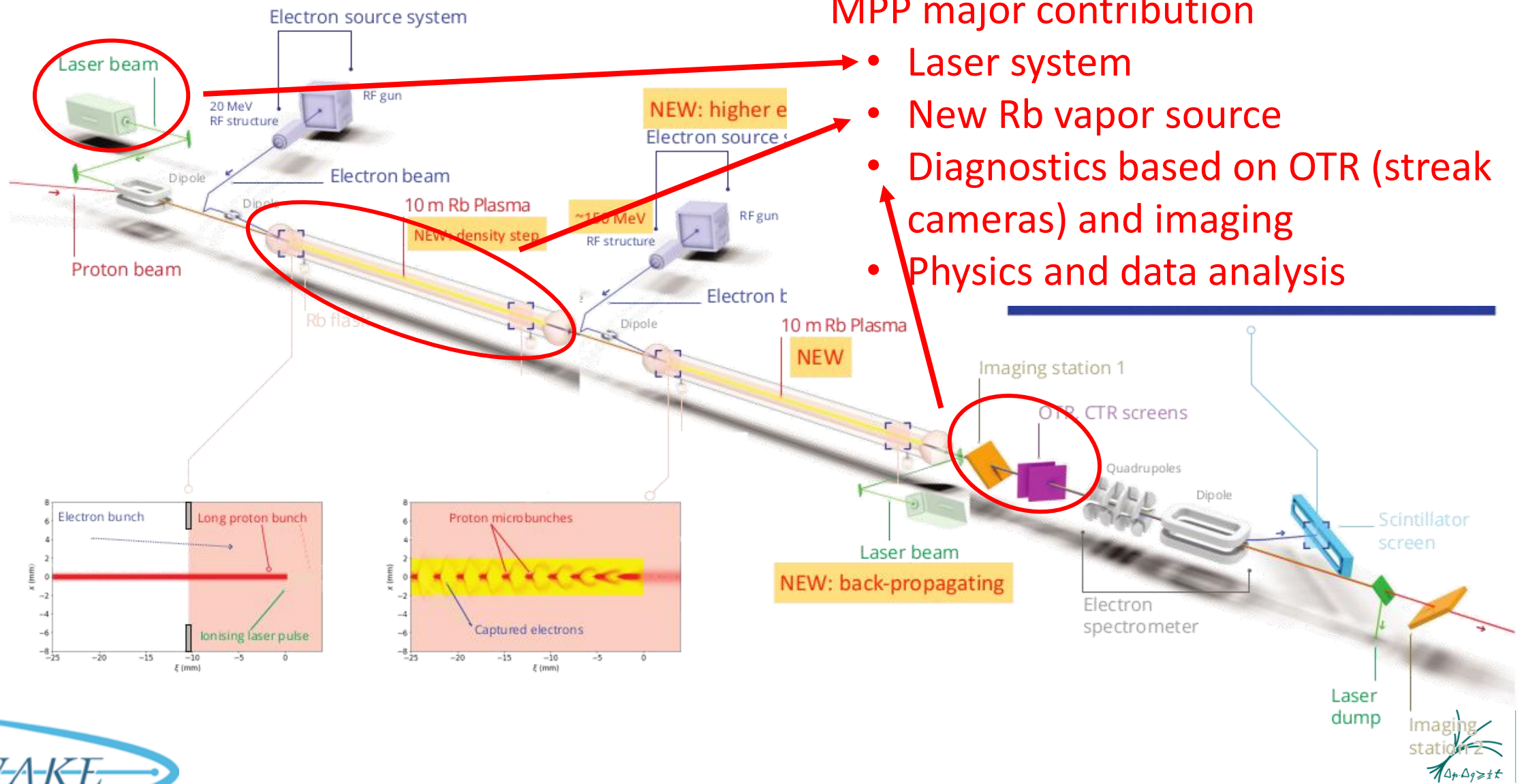
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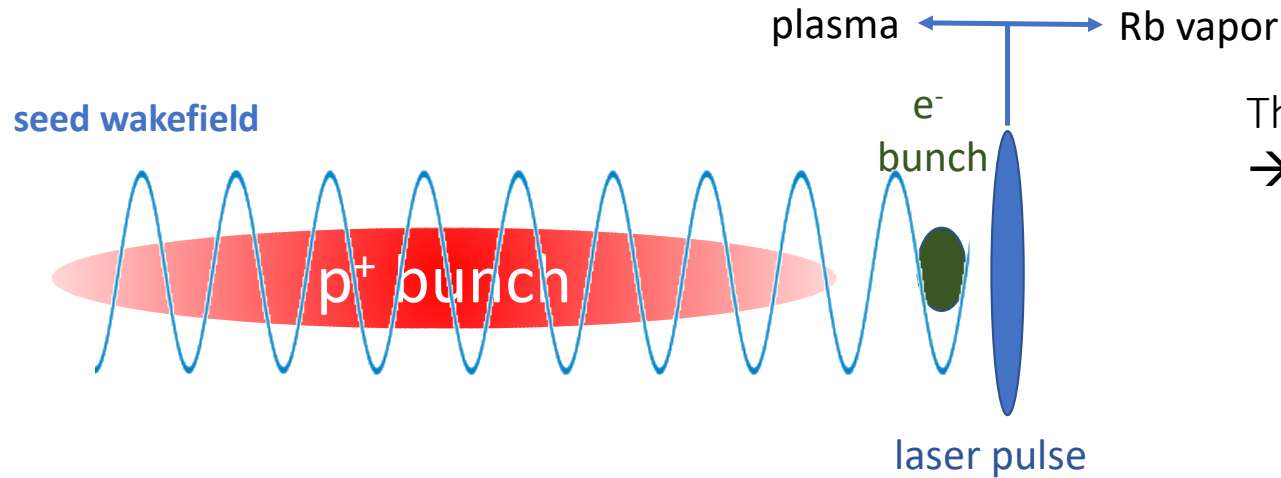




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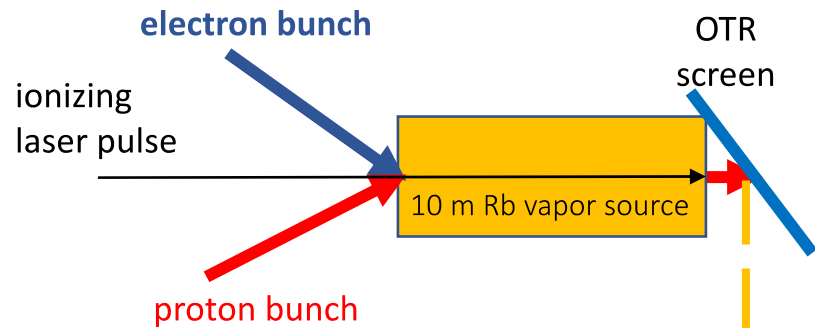


# Electron bunch seeding Livio Verra

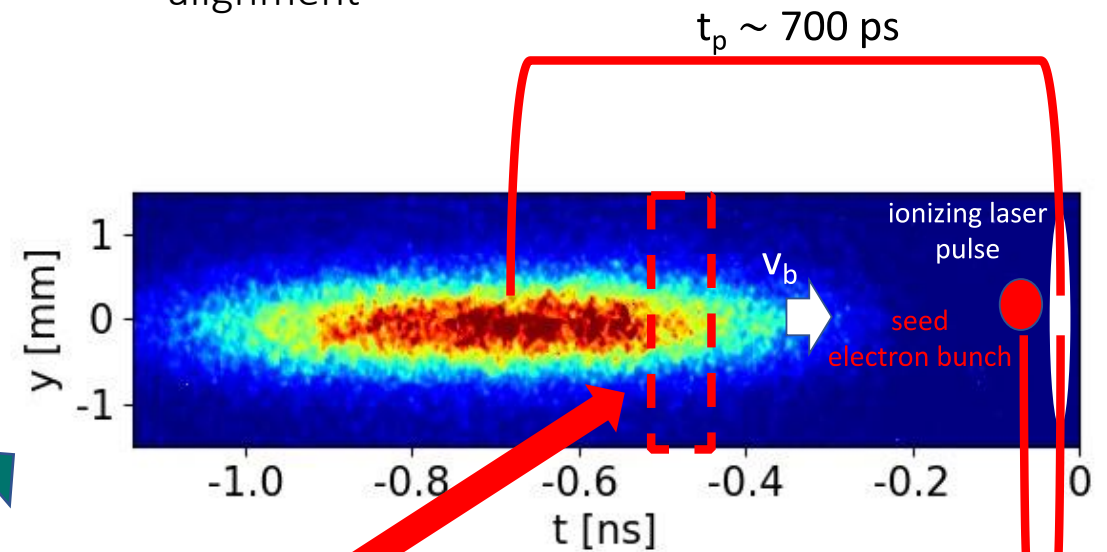


The electron bunch provides the seed wakefield  
 → seeding relies on the electron bunch properties:

- bunch charge density
- energy
- alignment



Streak camera



$t_{seed} \sim 0-40$  ps

To prove that the electron bunch seeds SM:  
 → study the time structure of  
 the microbunch train at the ps time scale



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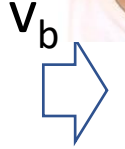


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# Electron bunch seeding: timing **reproducibility**

Livio Verra



proton bunch population =  $1.0 \cdot 10^{11}$  ppb

73 ps streak camera window

electron bunch charge  $Q = 220$  pC

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$\rightarrow f_{pe} = 89.7 \text{ GHz}$

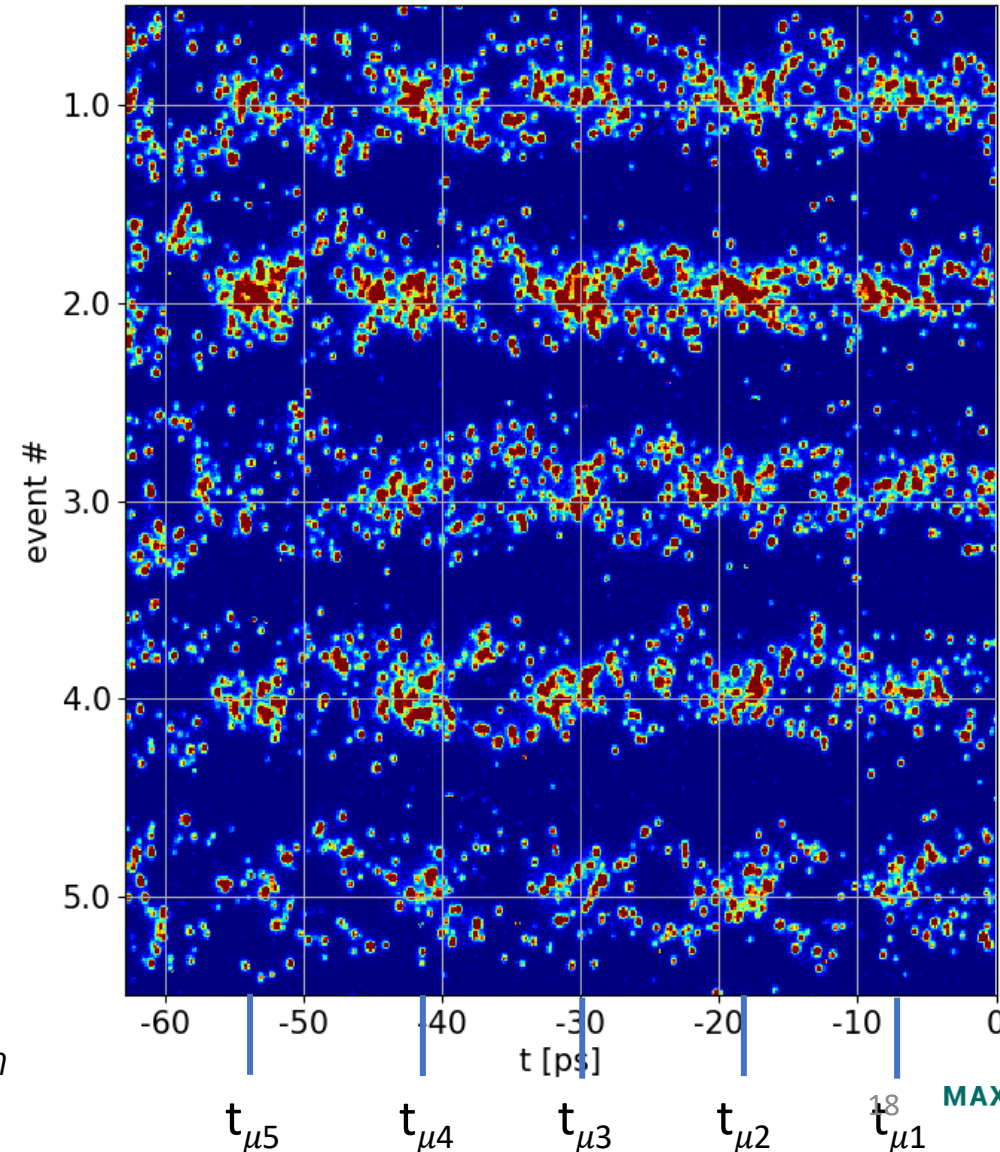
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**The microbunches appear at the same time  $t_\mu$  along the bunch event after event**

$\text{rms}(t_\mu) / T_{pe} \sim 0.09$

**Self-Modulation of the proton bunch is seeded by the electron bunch!**

Waterfall plot of single images



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*L. Verra et al., in preparation*



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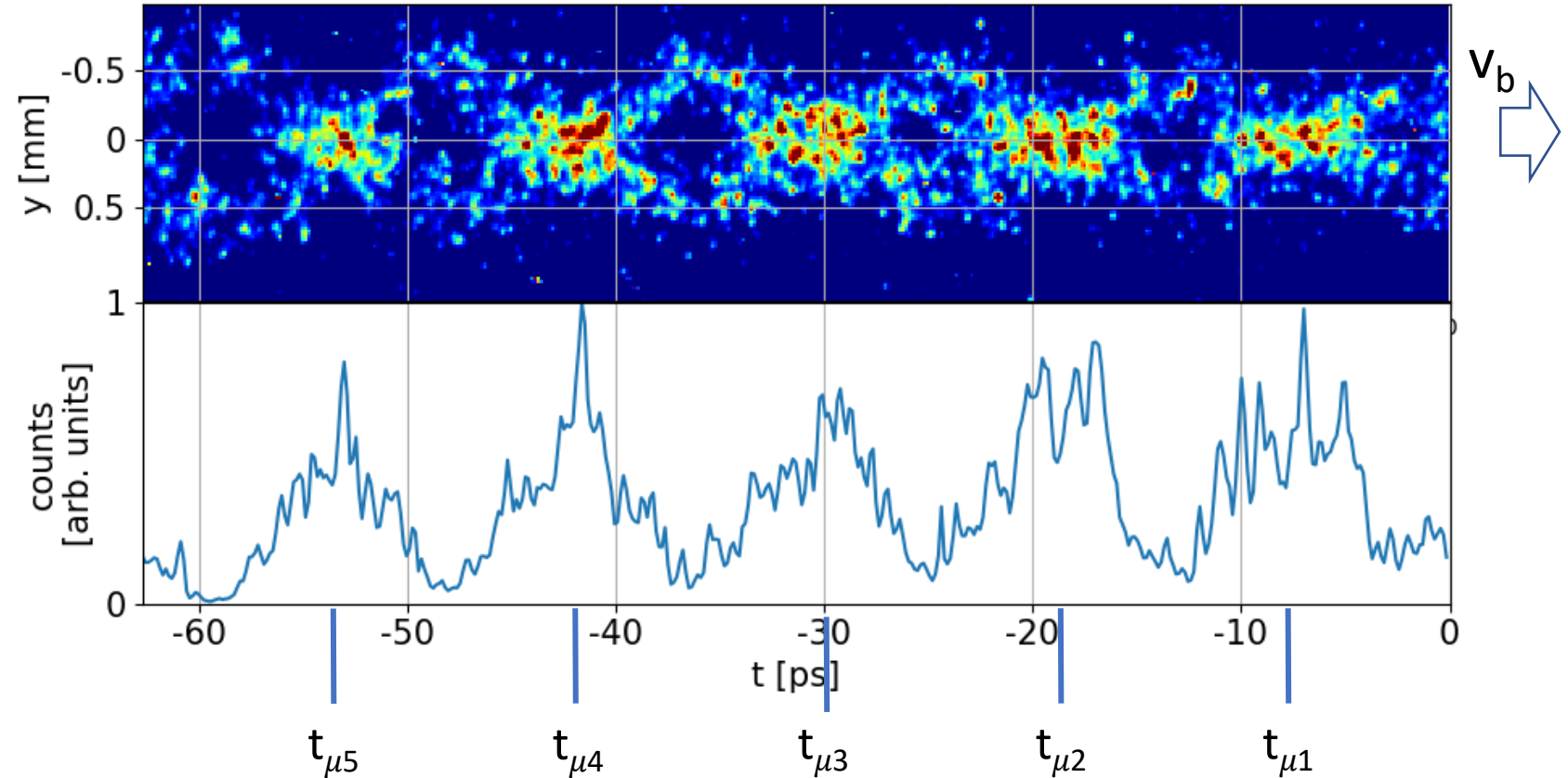
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sum of the 10 events



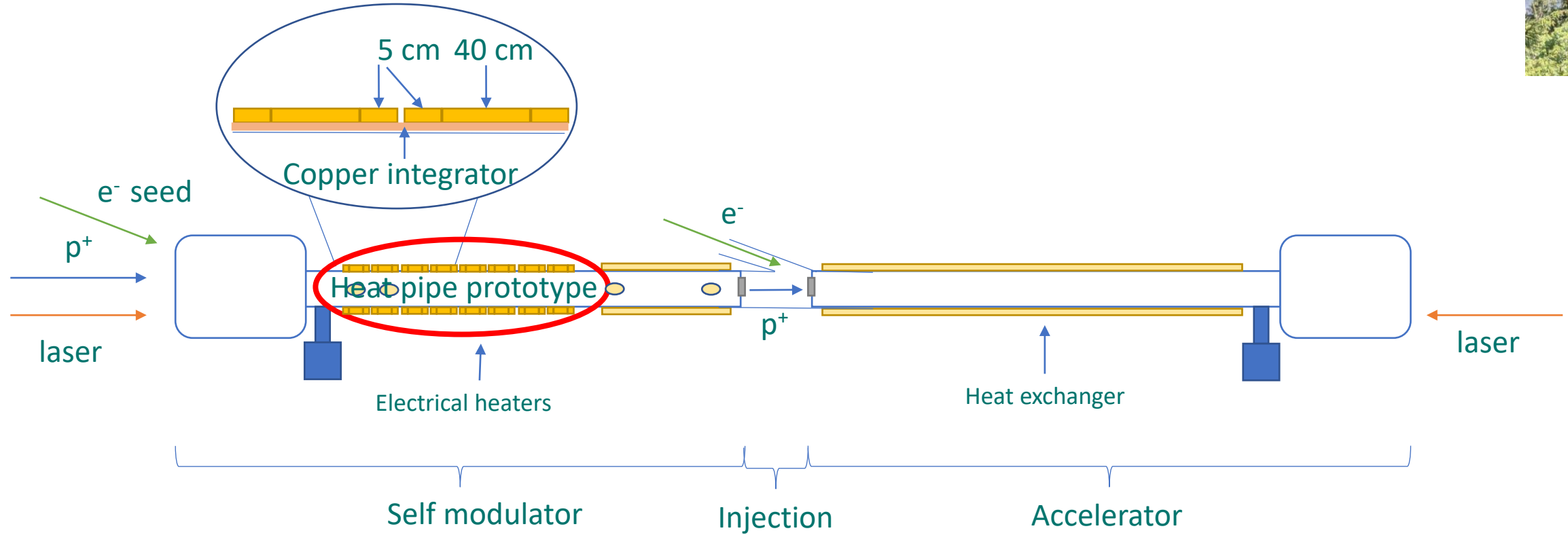
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# Development of density step Rb vapor source Michele Bergamaschi



- Length: ~ 10 m
- Step location each 50 cm from 0.5 to 4 meters
- Step height up to  $\pm 10\%$

- Length: 10 m
- Galden heating only
- Density measurement at up to two positions  
\*not to scale



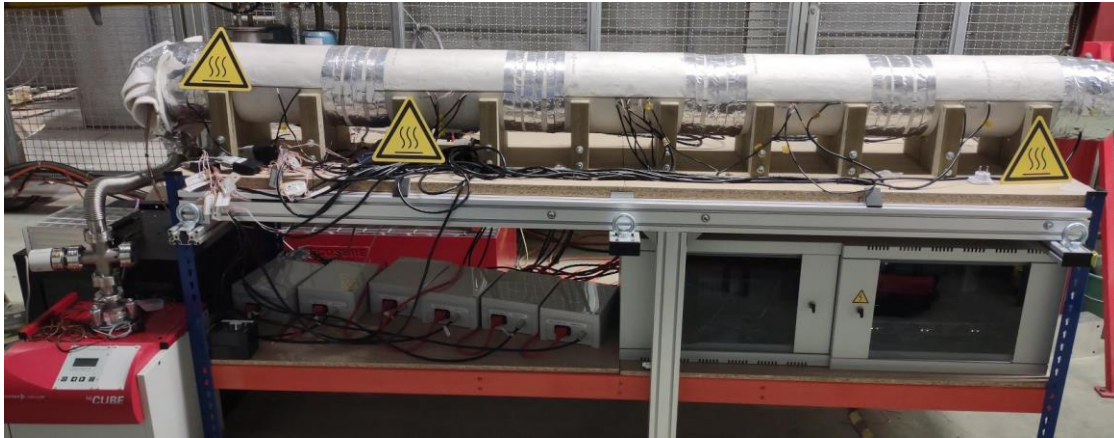
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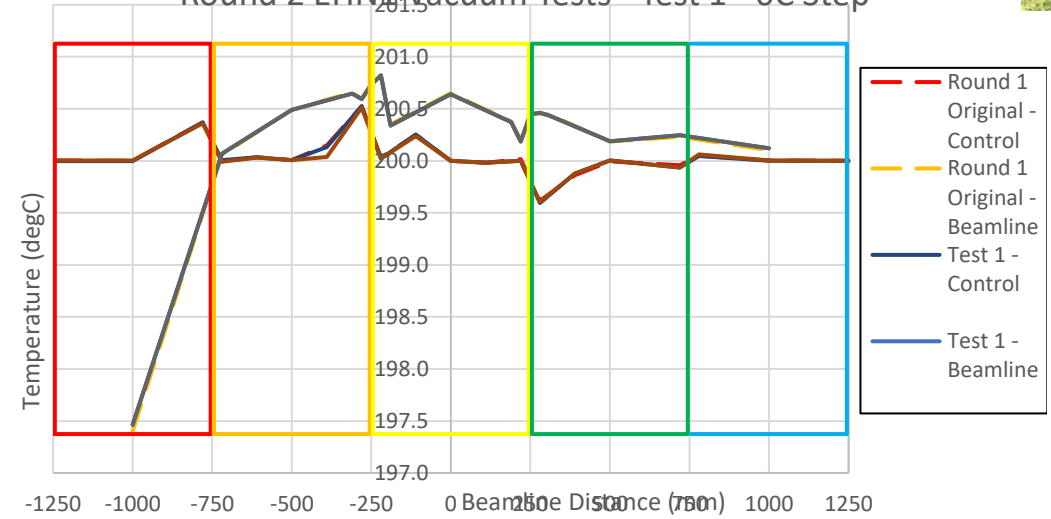


- Stand alone electrically heated section with 5 zones
- Installed and tested at CERN (EHN1)



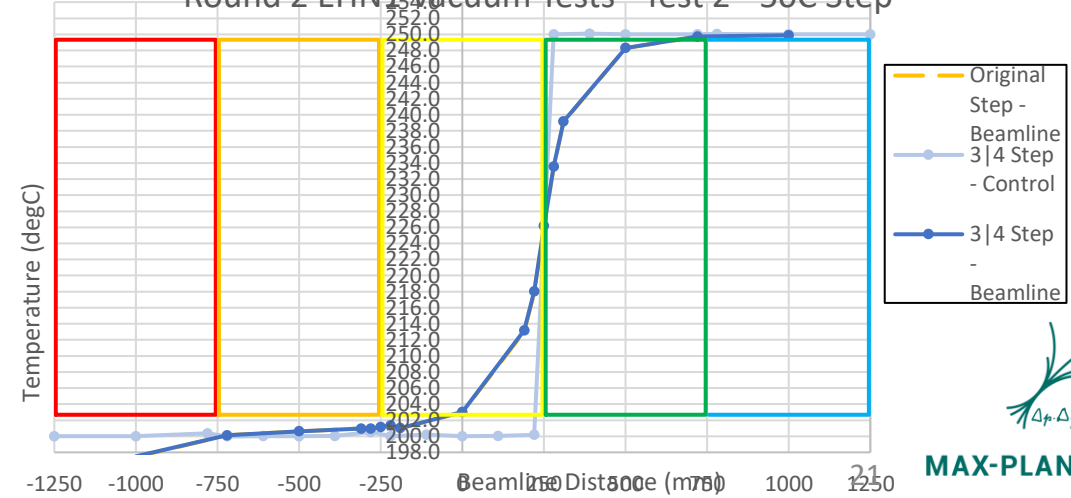
Flat profile  $1^{\circ}\text{C} \approx 0.2\% \delta T (^{\circ}\text{K})/T(^{\circ}\text{K})$

Round 2 EHN1 Vacuum Tests - Test 1 - 0C Step



Excellent Reproducibility – 50°C Step

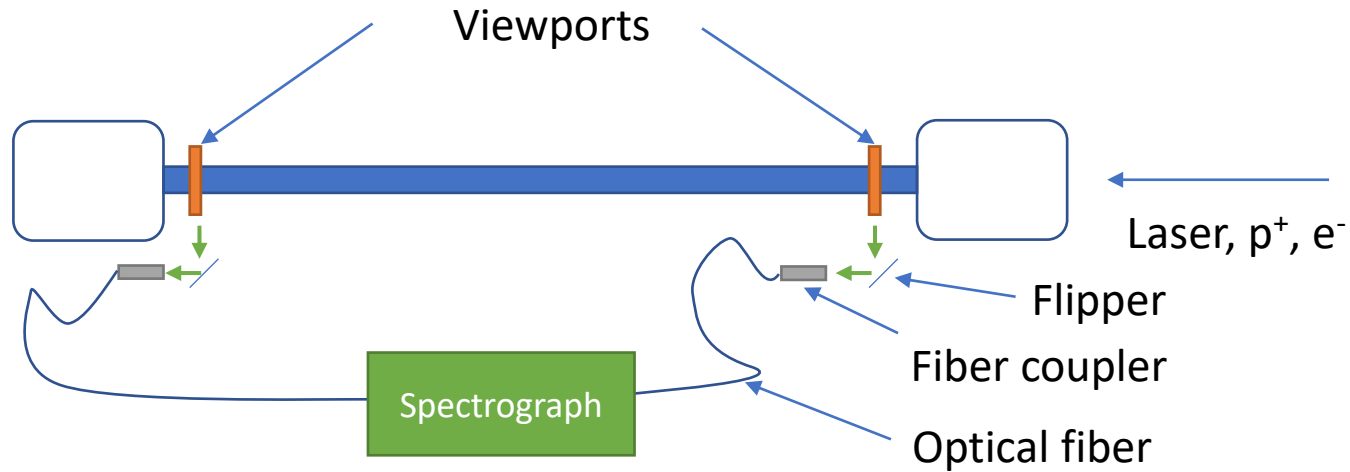
Round 2 EHN1 Vacuum Tests - Test 2 - 50C Step



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# Plasma light diagnostic P. Muggli M. Bergamaschi J. Pucek



Idea of using plasma light to observe Wakefield amplitude

Preliminary analysis and results:

- No Rb Vapor – laser pulse observed and isolated in time
- With Rb Vapor – plasma light observed after laser pulse
- With Proton in plasma, signal increased of 2 order of magnitude
- Sign of transition between SMI and SSM

Spectrograph is used at 0<sup>th</sup> order

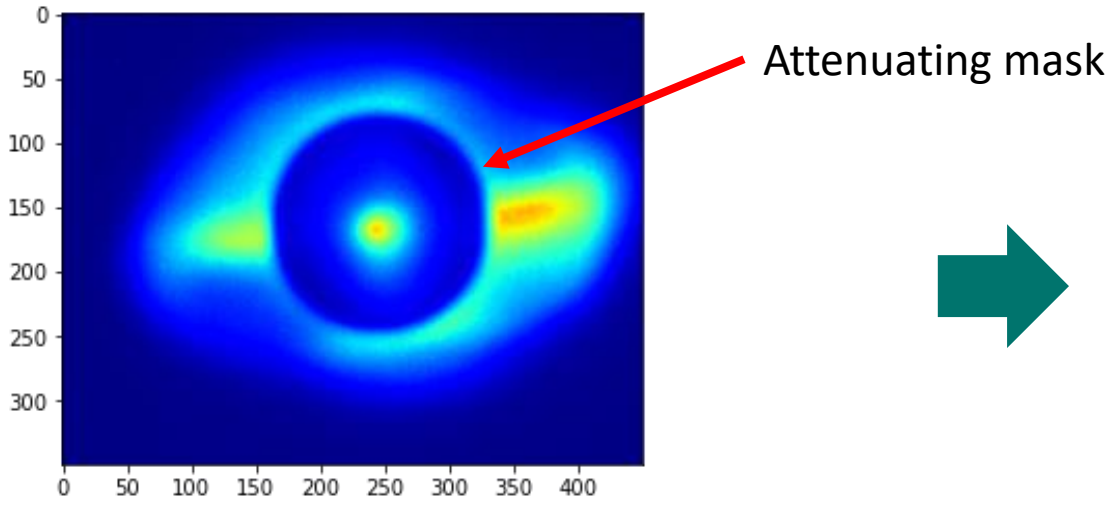
Future upgrade plans to use photo-multiplier tubes



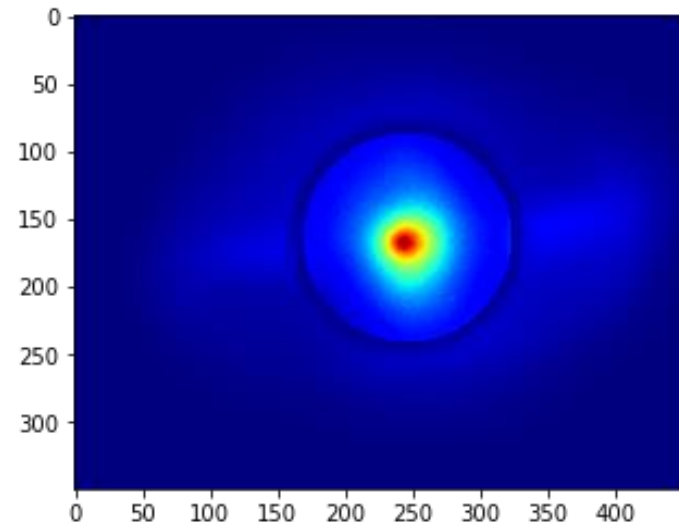
# Upgrade the halo monitor

Jan Pucek

Proton beam imaged with OTR scintillator screen  
After passing through the plasma



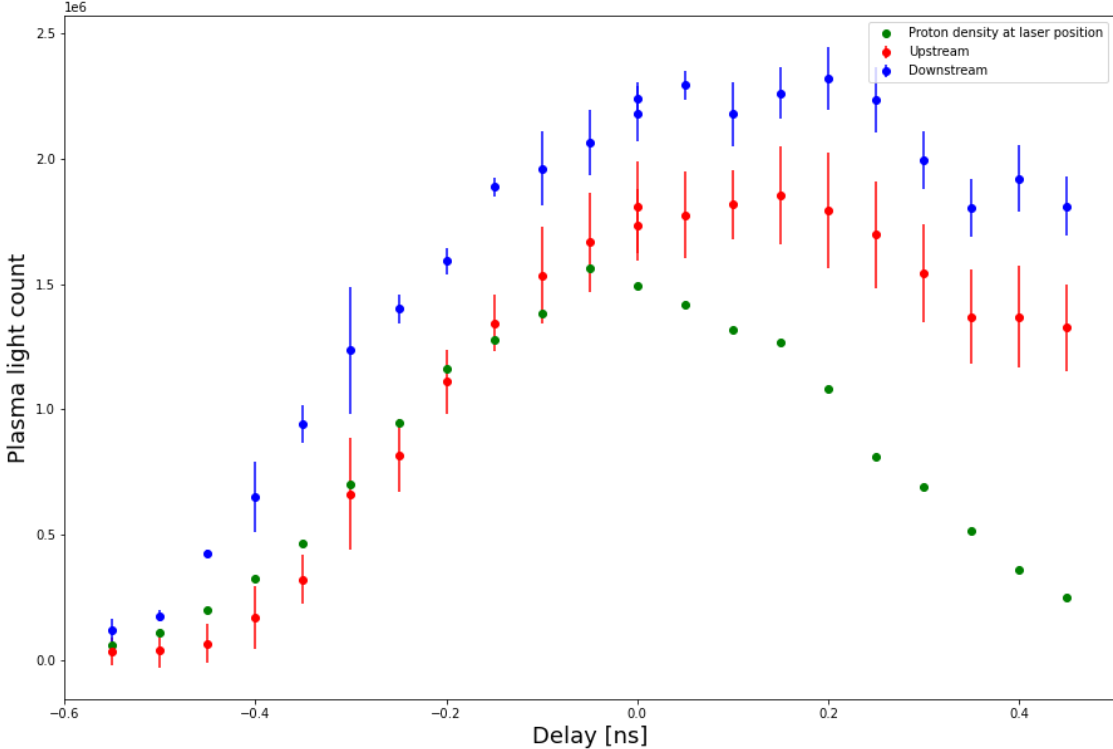
Reconstructed mask attenuation



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# Competition between SMI and eSSM Jan Pucek



Plasma light measurement where the seed position was changed (x-axis)  
Points towards constant noise amplitude in front of the proton bunch  
(to be verified)

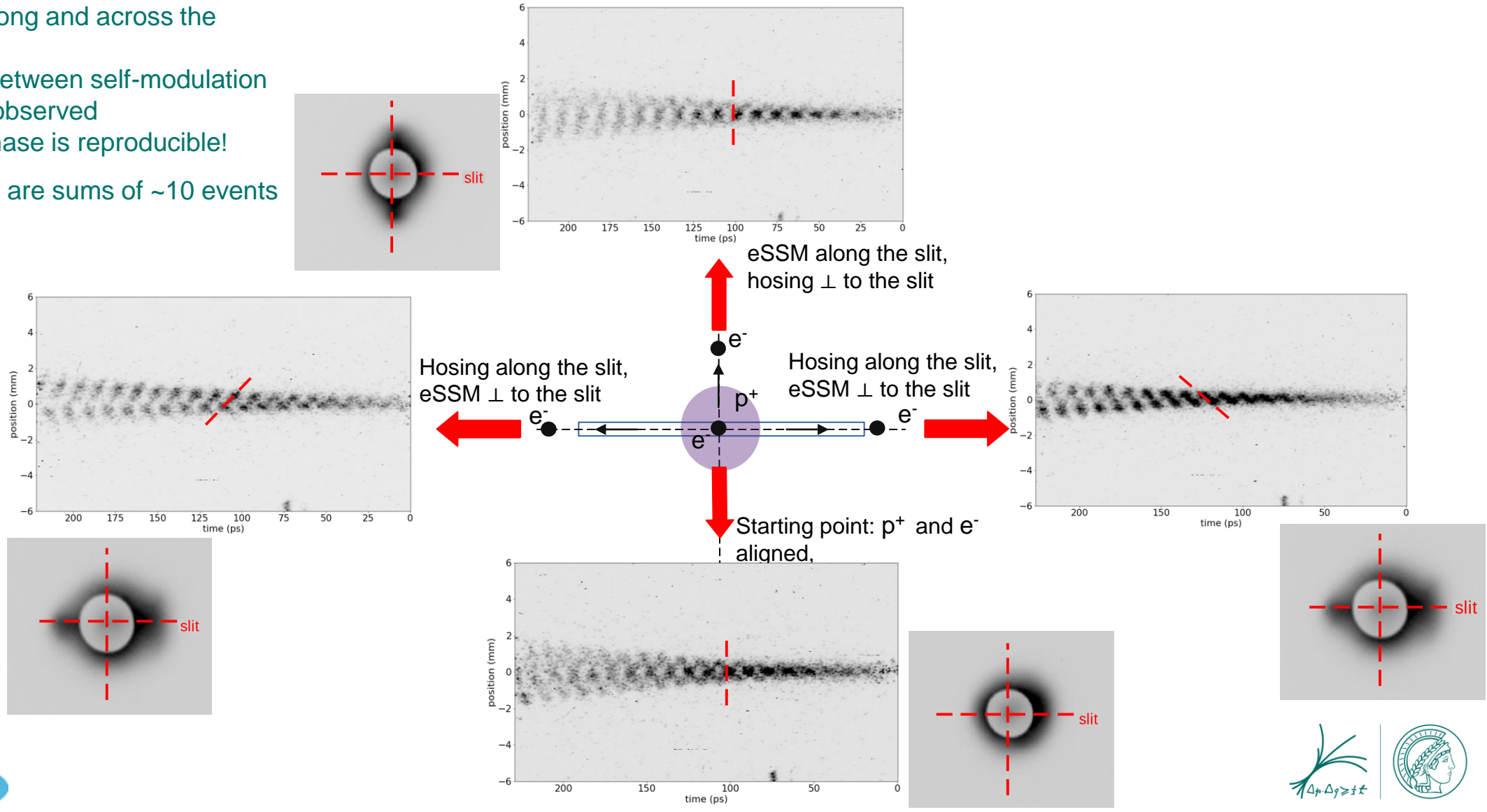


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# Seeding hosing instabilities with an electron bunch Tatiana Nechaeva

- Misalign  $e^-$  wrt  $p^+$  along and across the streak camera slit
- This way coupling between self-modulation and hosing can be observed
- E-seeded hosing phase is reproducible!

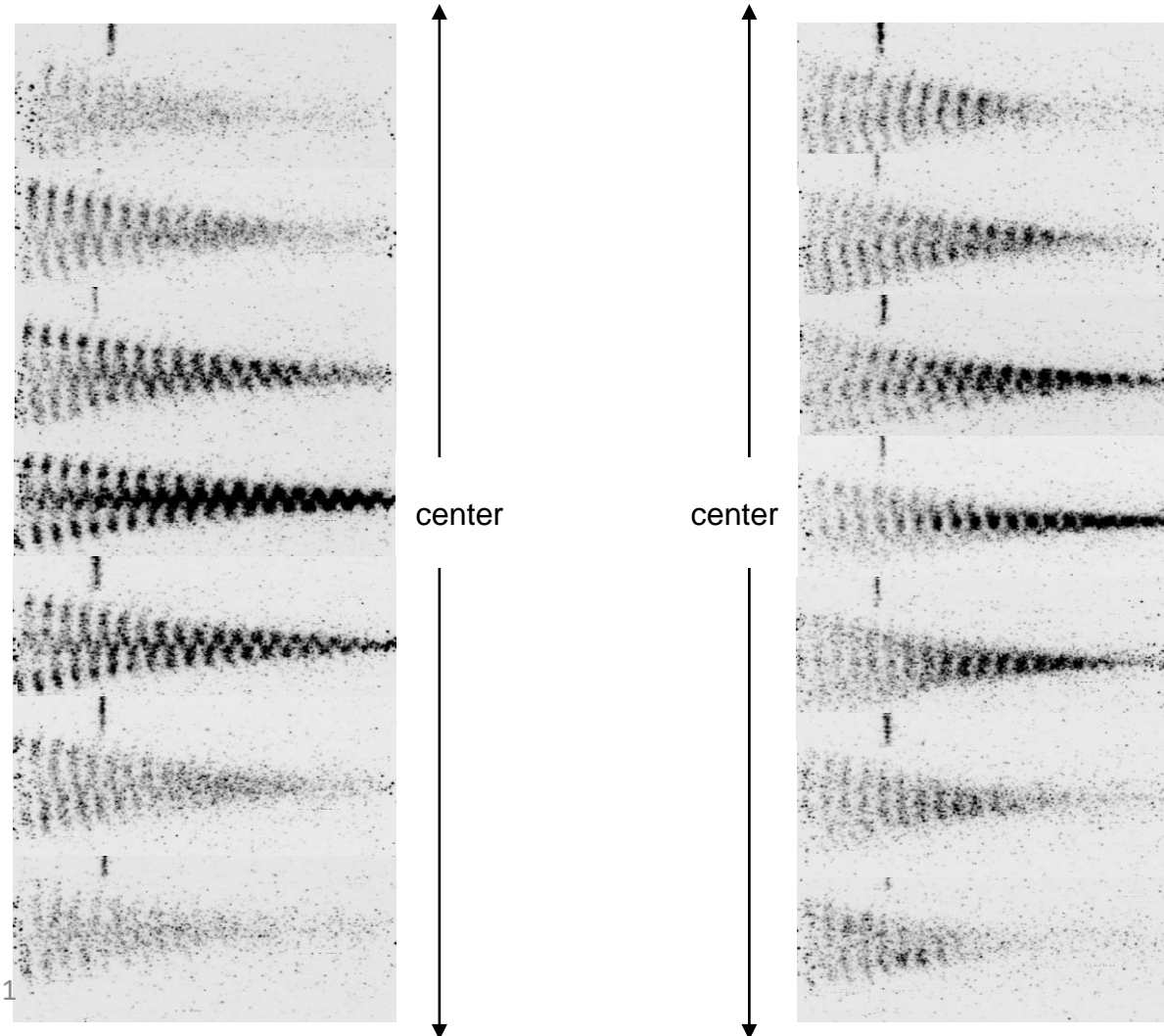
Streak camera images are sums of ~10 events



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# Seeding hosing instabilities with an electron bunch

- First 3D scans of hosing done
- This allows to look at possible features not visible in one plane and in the central slice of the distribution



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# Numerical\* study of SM with plasma density gradients Pablo Guzmán

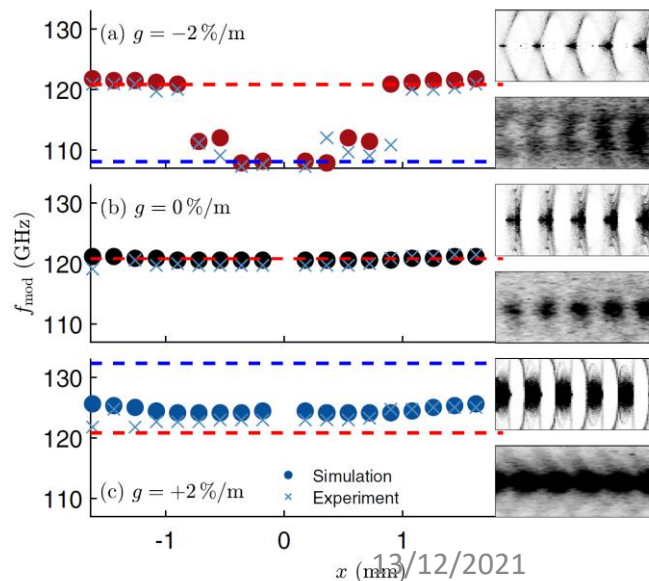


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## Simulation and experimental study of proton bunch self-modulation in plasma with linear density gradients

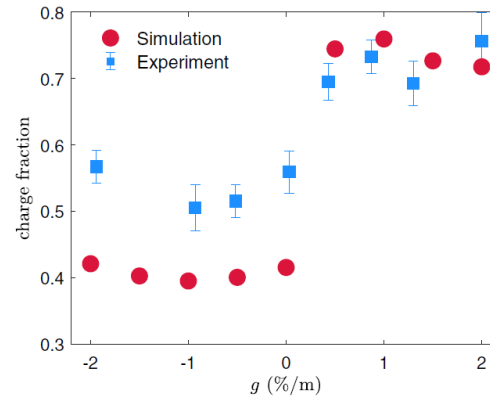
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(AWAKE Collaboration)



Two groups:

- $g \leq 0 \text{ %/m}$ : low charge.
- $g > 0 \text{ %/m}$ : high charge.



- $g = -2 \text{ %/m}$ : modulation frequency varies with transverse direction, giving information of the self-modulation process along the plasma
- $g = 0, +2 \text{ %/m}$ : modulation frequency stays relatively constant

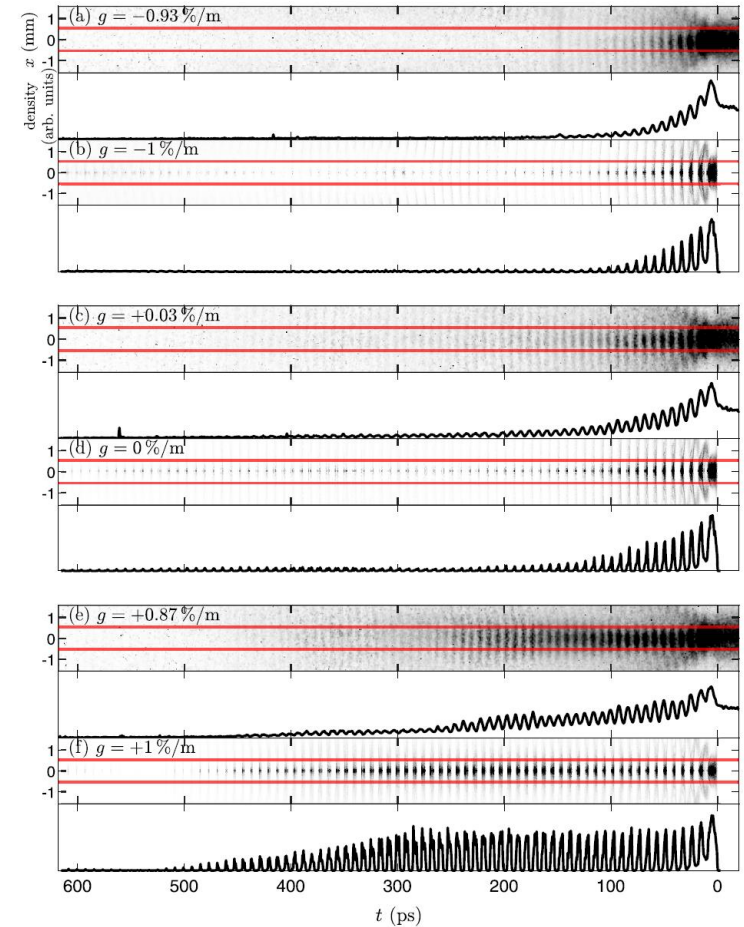


FIG. 1. Time-resolved experimental [(a), (c), (e)] and simulation [(b), (d), (f)] images and profiles of the modulated bunch with  $g = -1\%/m$  [(a) and (b)],  $g = 0\%/m$  [(c) and (d)], and  $g = +1\%/m$  [(e) and (f)]. Longitudinal profiles obtained by summing counts within  $\sigma_{r,\text{screen}}: |x| = \pm 0.536 \text{ mm}$  (red lines on image) of the axis. Images from 2D simulations are mirrored about the bunch axis for a more direct comparison with experimental ones.

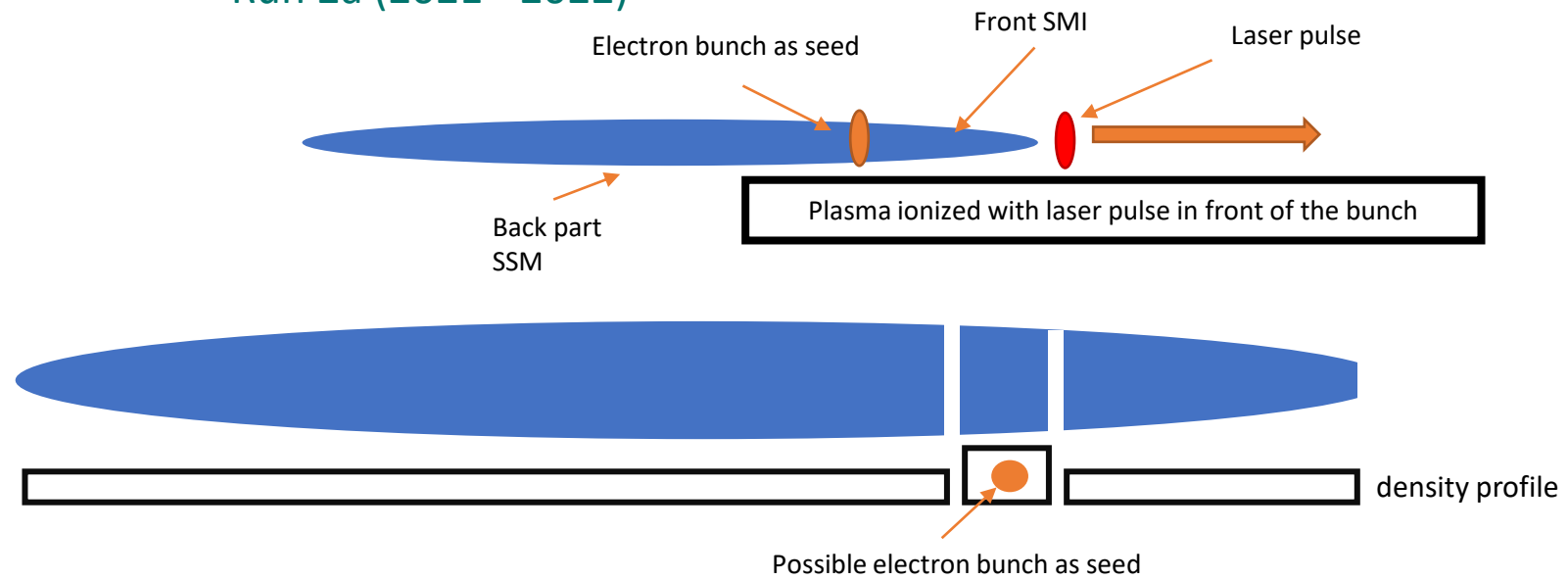


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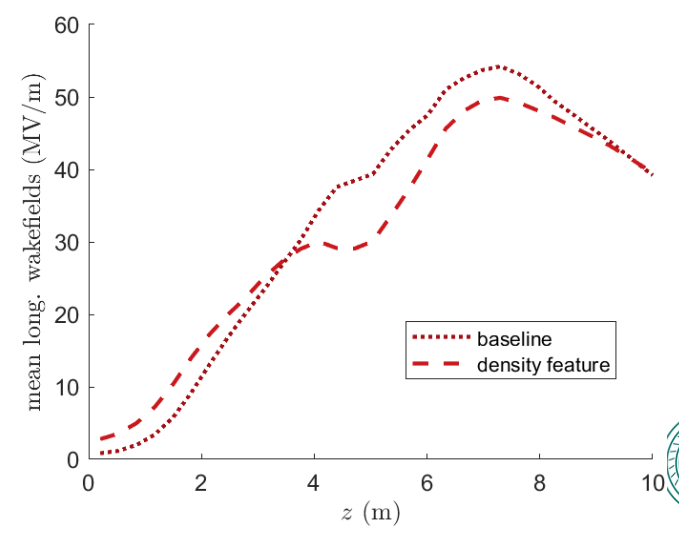
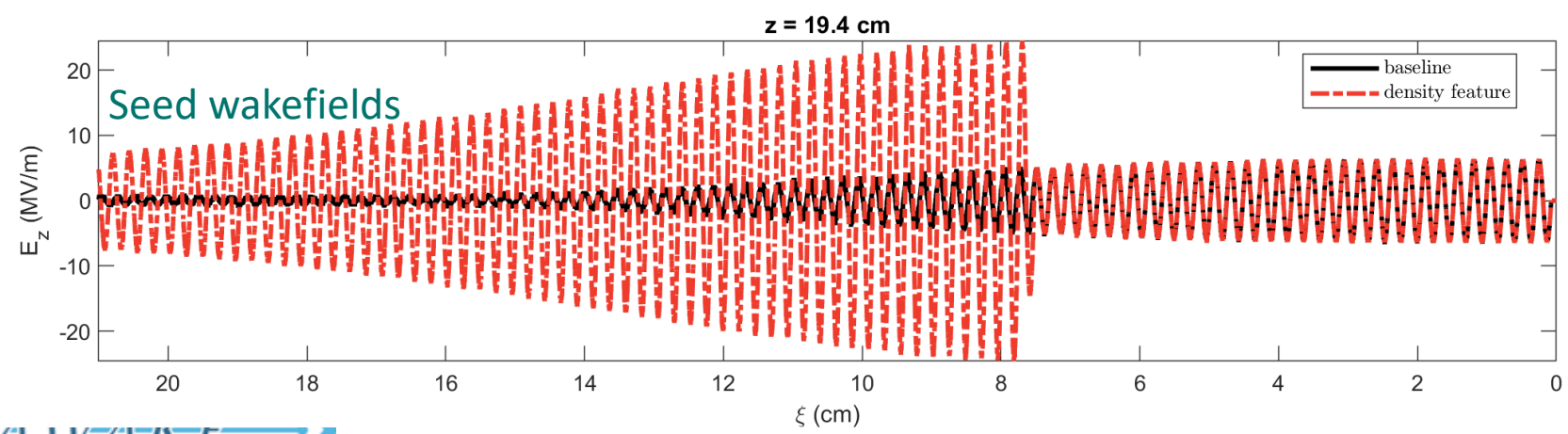


# Interaction between developing wakefields Pablo Guzman

Run 2a (2021 - 2022)



- Density feature inside of the proton bunch (can be replaced by an electron bunch)
- Understand influence of SM at the front on SM at the back during SM growth and evolution
- Help answer: which seeding mechanism is more appropriate for AWAKE
  - electron bunch seeding?
  - or ionization front seeding?
- Help understand the transition from SMI to SSM.
- Related to experiments (Run 2a)

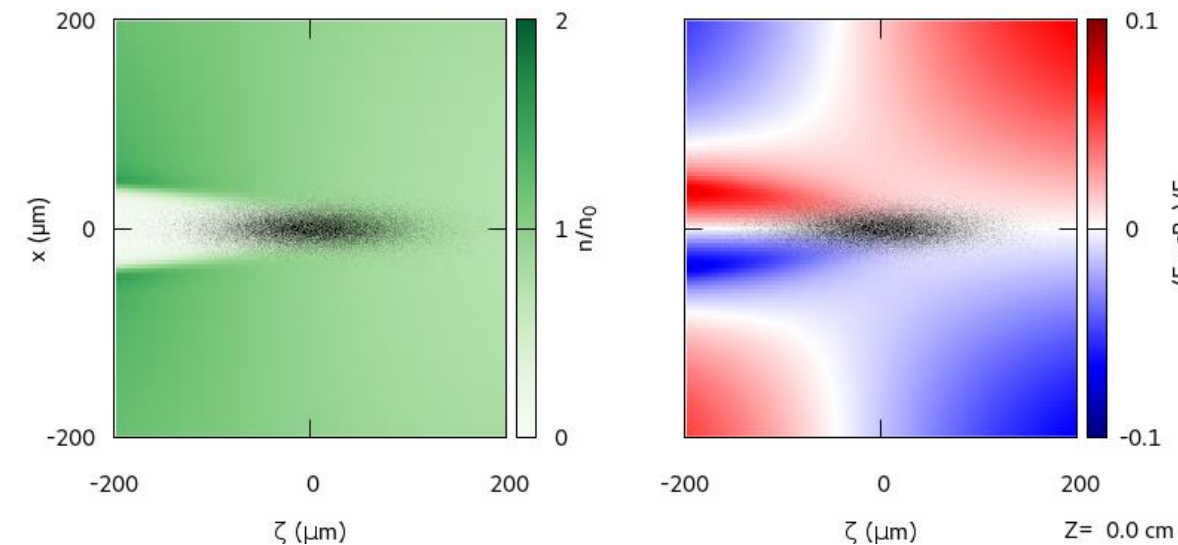


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# Jitter studies for injection John Farmer

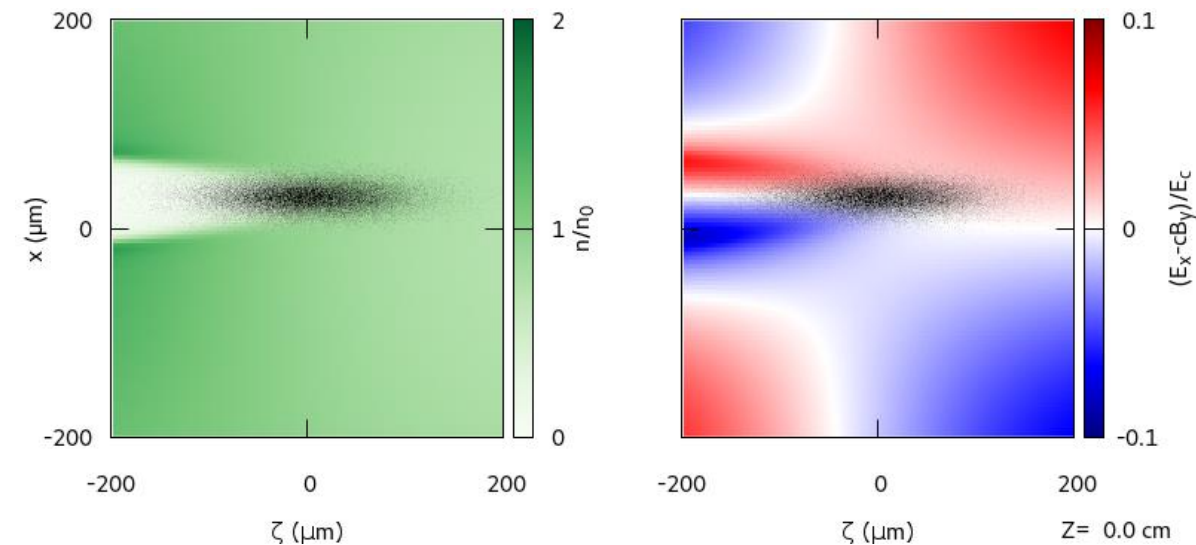


- Jitter in proton beam trajectory occurs during SPS extraction
- Relative misalignment can have serious consequences for the quality of the accelerated witness electron bunch



100 pC charge, 8  $\mu\text{m}$  initial emittance,

**0  $\mu\text{m}$  initial offset**



100 pC charge, 8  $\mu\text{m}$  initial emittance,

**30  $\mu\text{m}$  initial offset**



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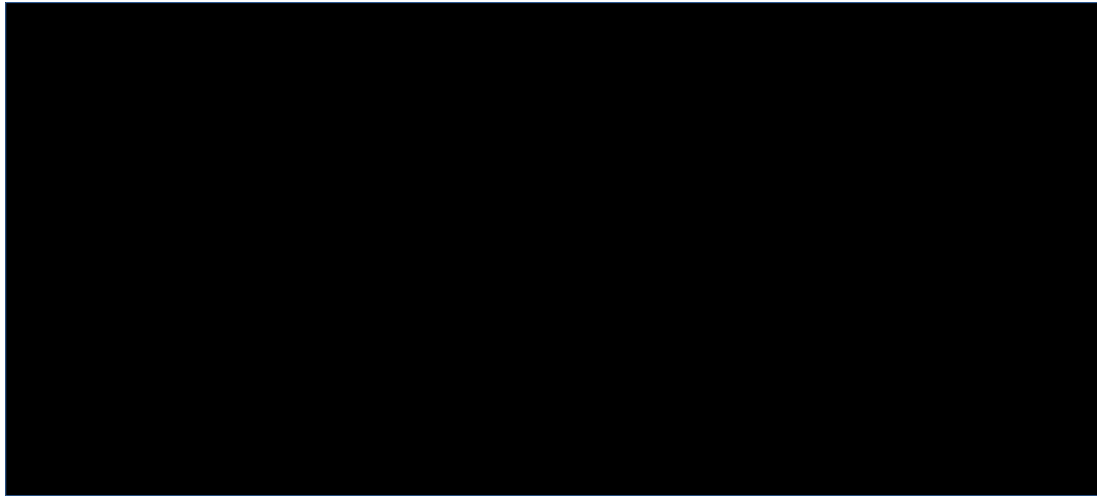
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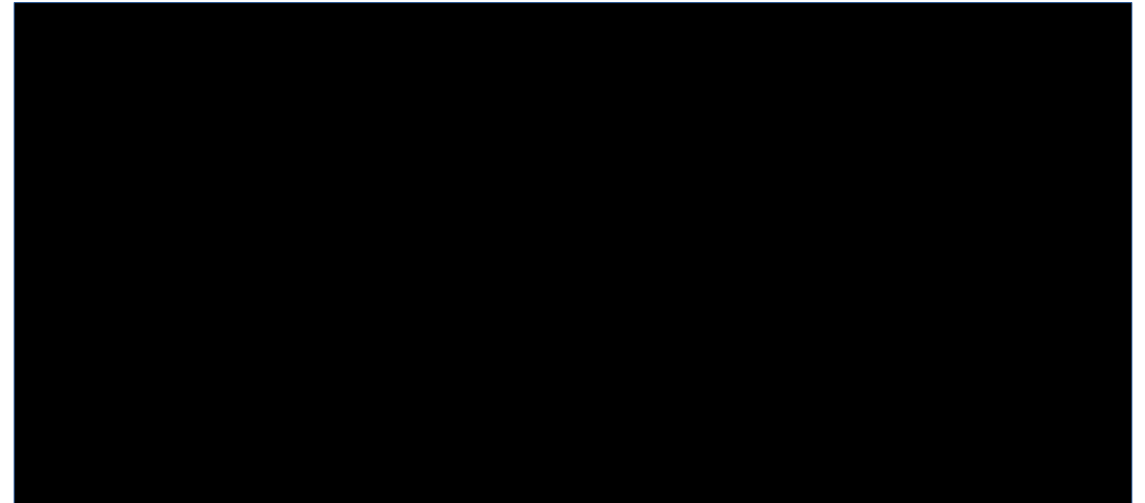
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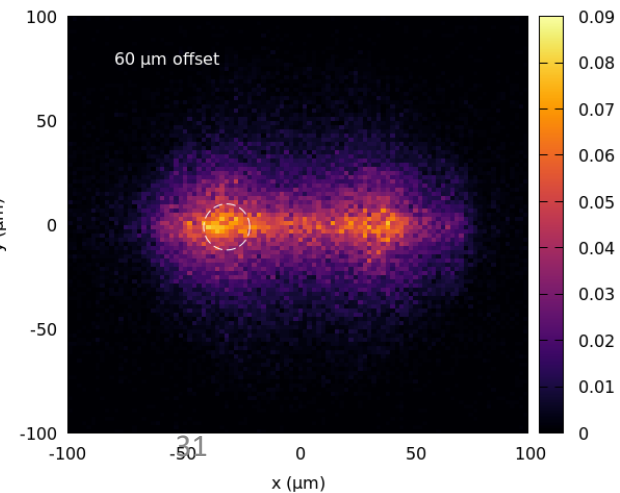
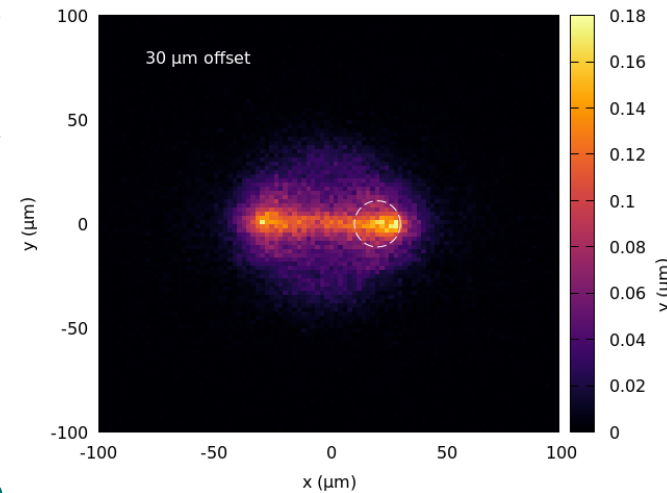
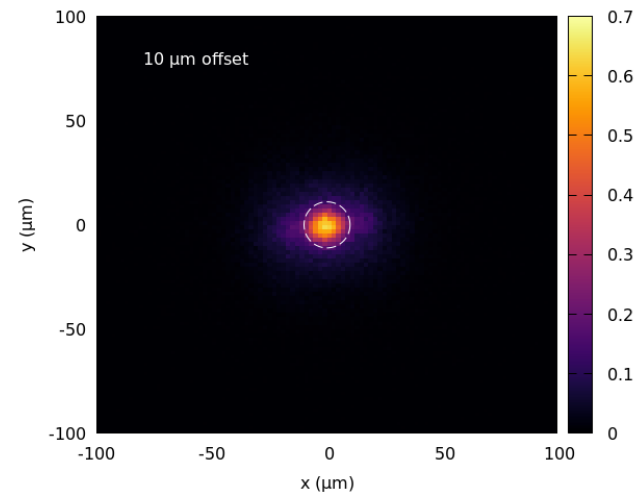
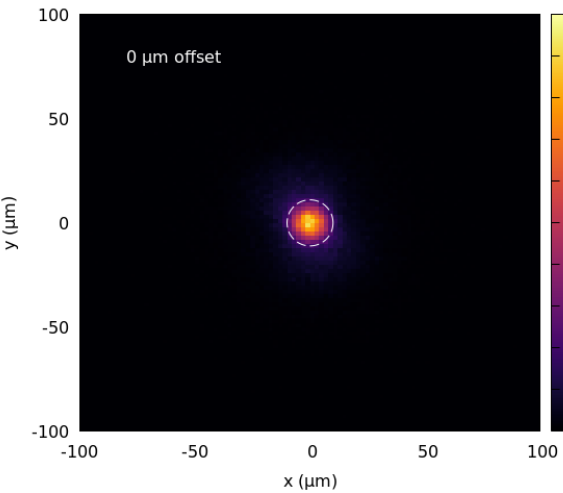
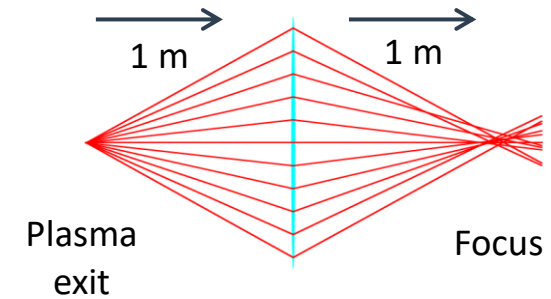
100 pC charge, 8  $\mu\text{m}$  initial emittance,  
**30  $\mu\text{m}$  initial offset**



# Jitter studies for injection John Farmer



- Impact of Jitter on beam quality evaluated in terms of potential applications e.g. electron-solid target or electro-proton studies



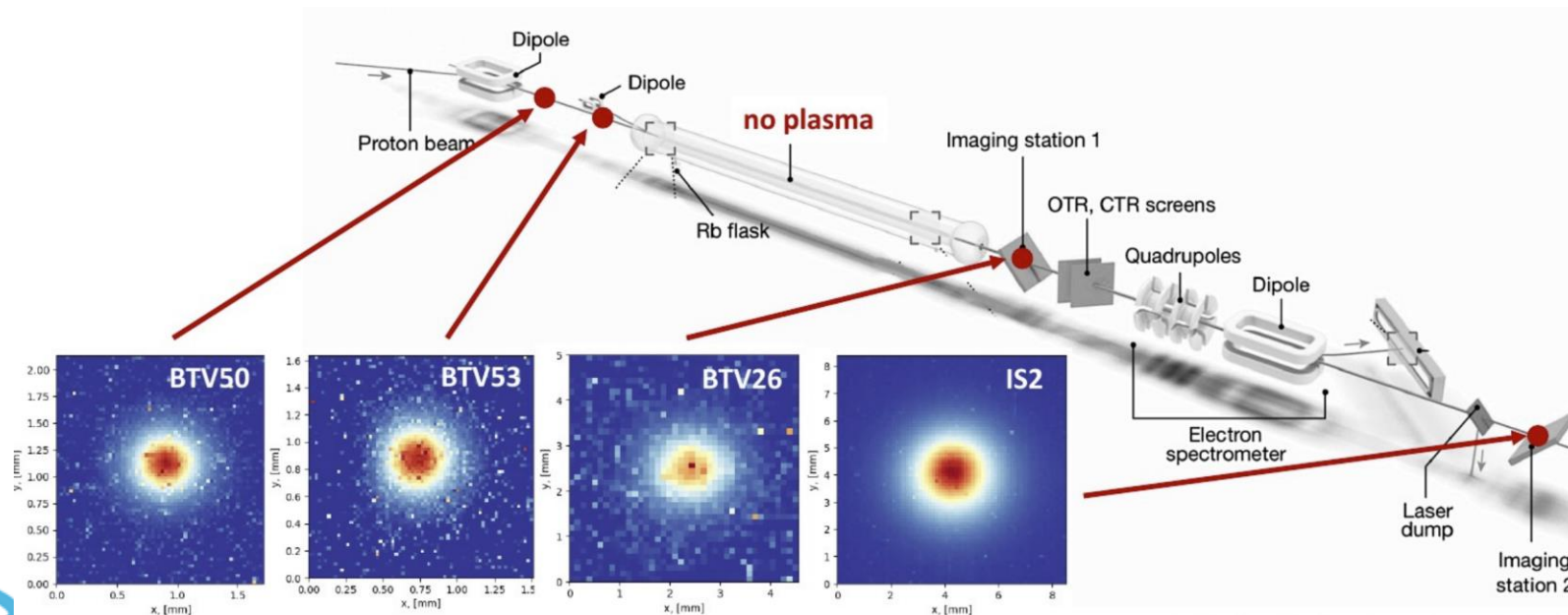
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# Characterization of the proton beam Vasyi Hafych



1. Development of a proton bunch analysis tool based on fitting the envelope obtained by OTR/scintillator screen on the beam line
2. Development of data acquisition monitor to check saved data and visualize events in the control room



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# Conclusion

- Run 2a started with successful data collection providing bases for future publications and PhD thesis
- Run 2a will continue next year to study more in details physics of electron beam seeding of proton bunch modulation and electron acceleration
- Preparation work, design and commission for Run2b are continuing next year
- Studies for Run2c are also ongoing



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