

ACCELERATOR PHYSICS CHALLENGES TOWARDS A PLASMA ACCELERATOR WITH USABLE BEAM QUALITY

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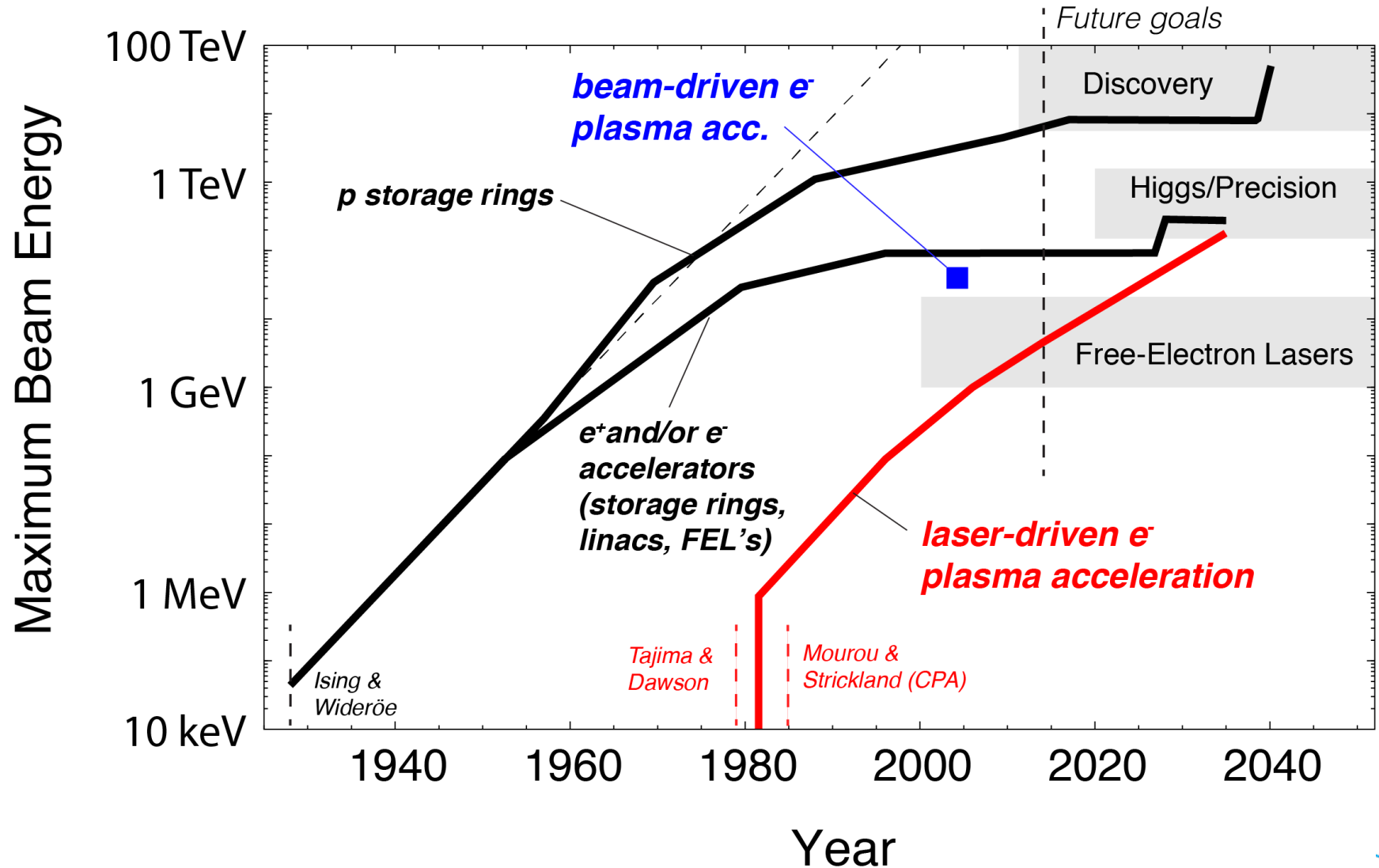
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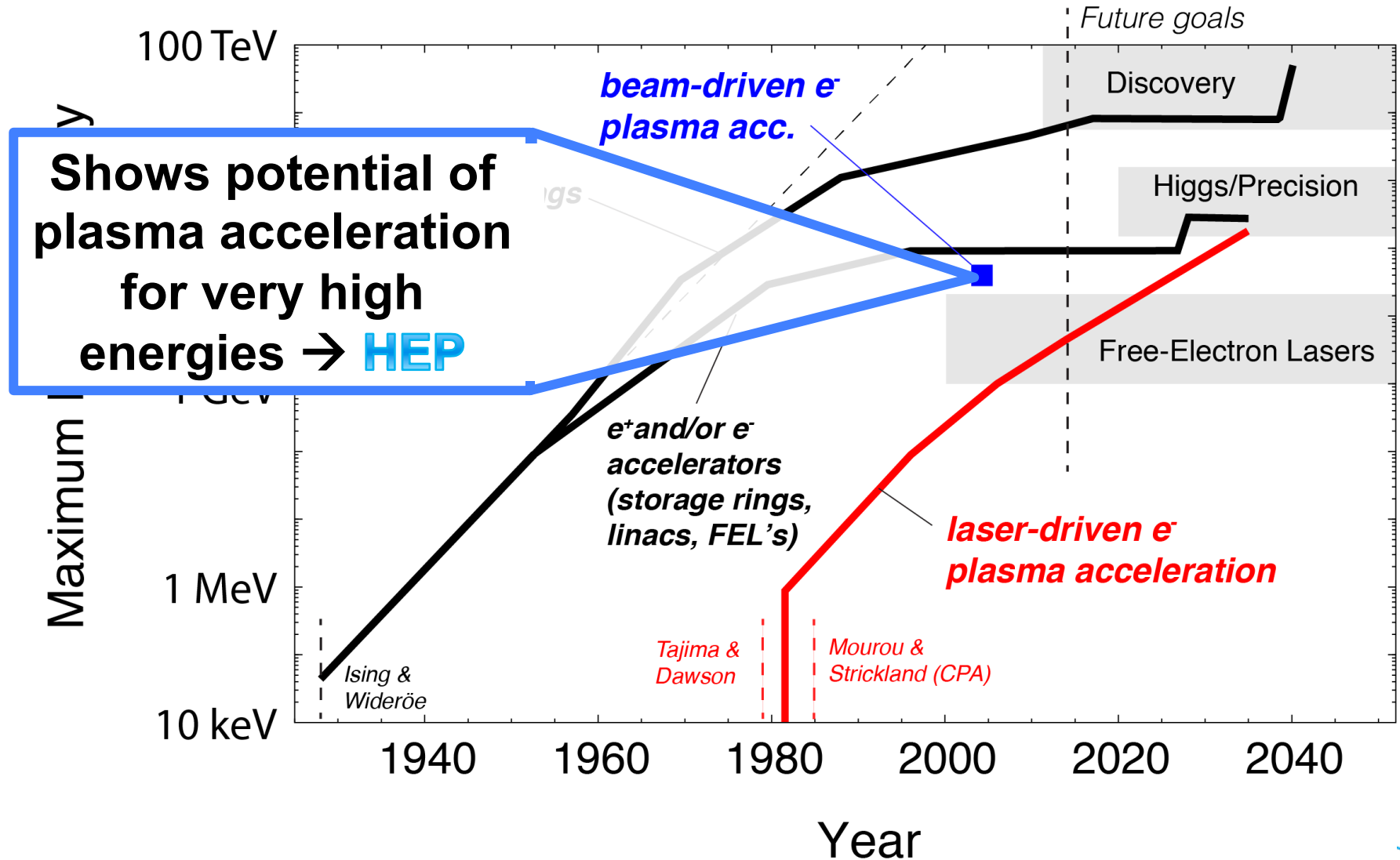


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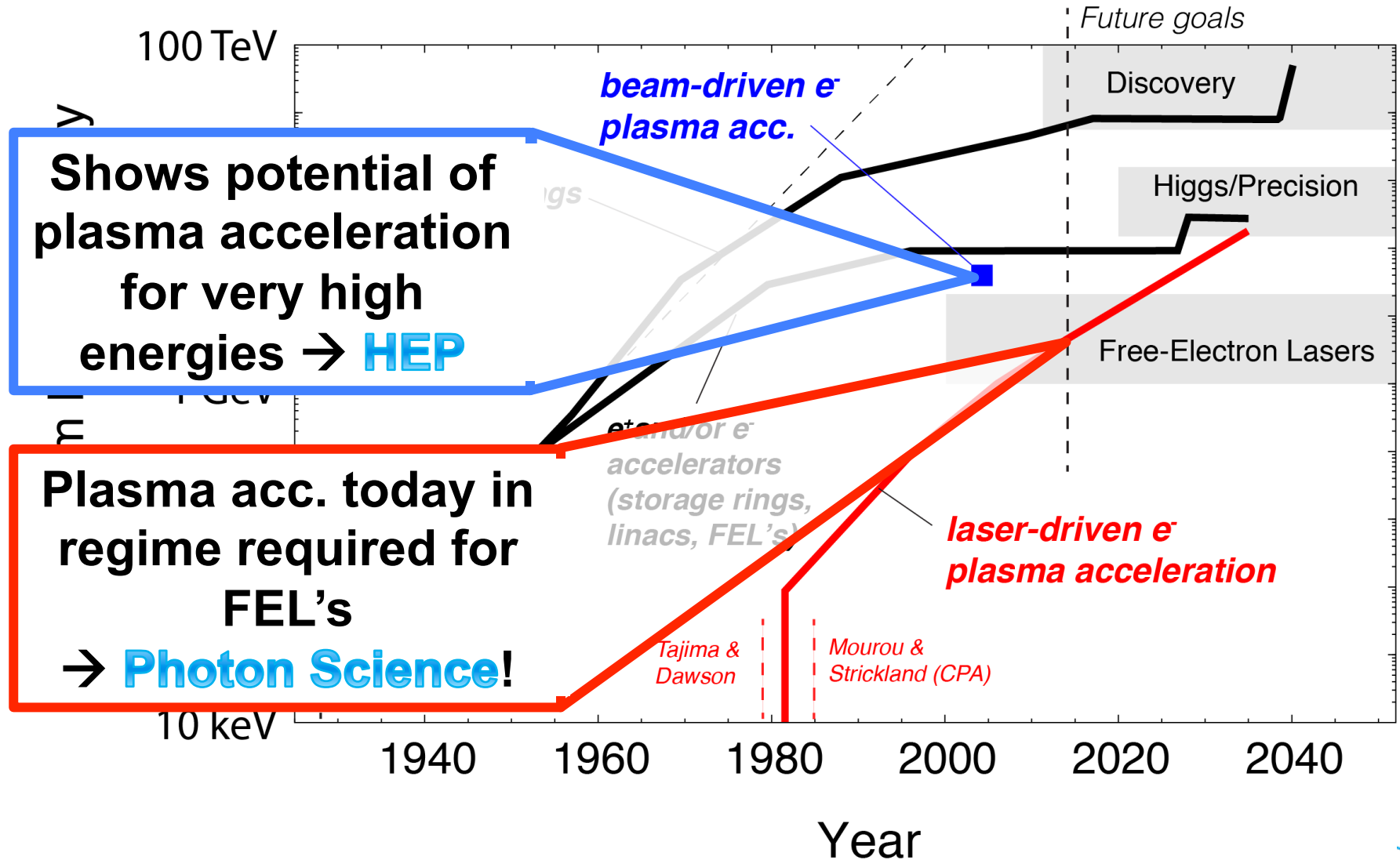
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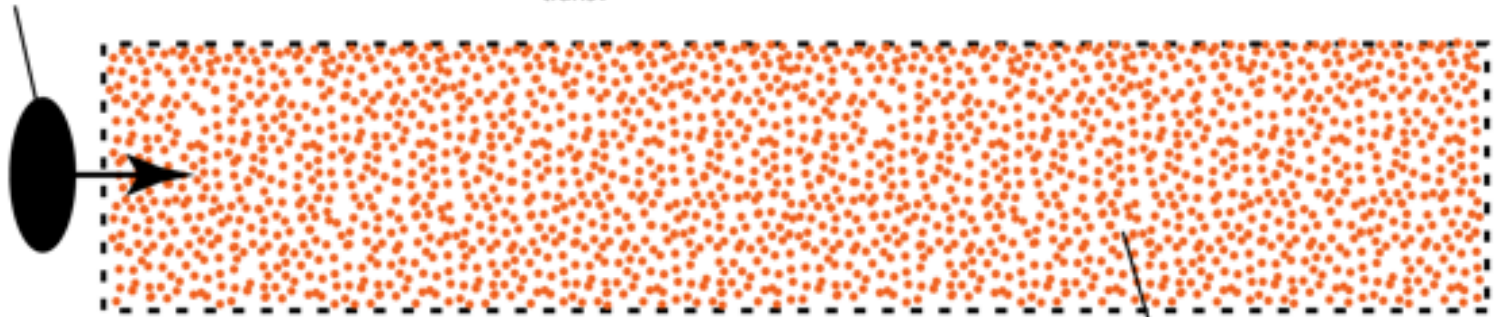


- > Several – many **GeV beam energy indeed being produced** within a few cm to 1 m! Energy is compatible with user needs in photon science. Reproducible ...
- > Field is progressing rapidly, with an **exponential increase of beam energy versus time for laser-driven plasma acceleration** (driven by progress in high power lasers).
- > Then: **Why is there no user facility relying on plasma accelerator technology?**
- > Technical reasons: Low average power, low efficiency → being worked on e.g. in laser projects. Not discussed here.
- > Accelerator physics reasons: **Beam quality...**

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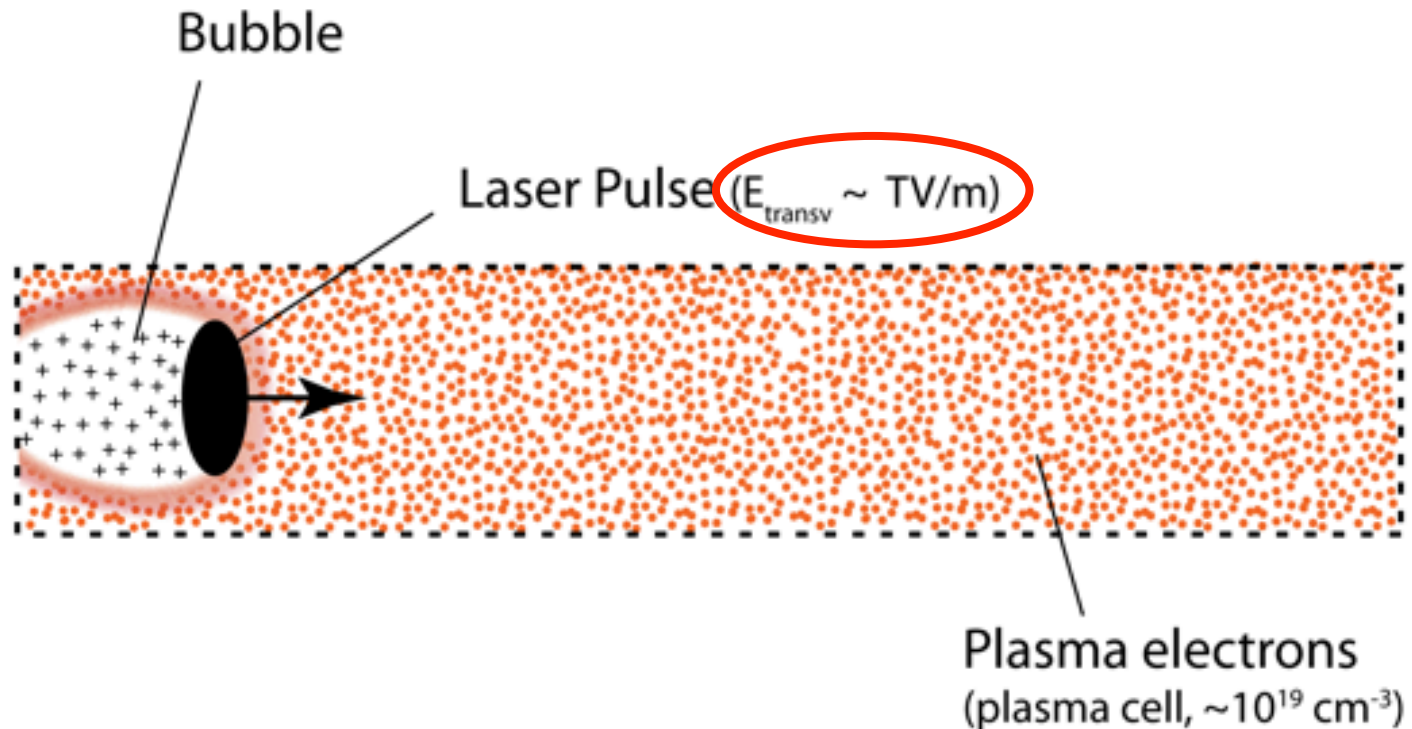
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Laser Pulse (200 TW, ~ 30 fs, $E_{\text{transv}} \sim \text{TV/m}$)

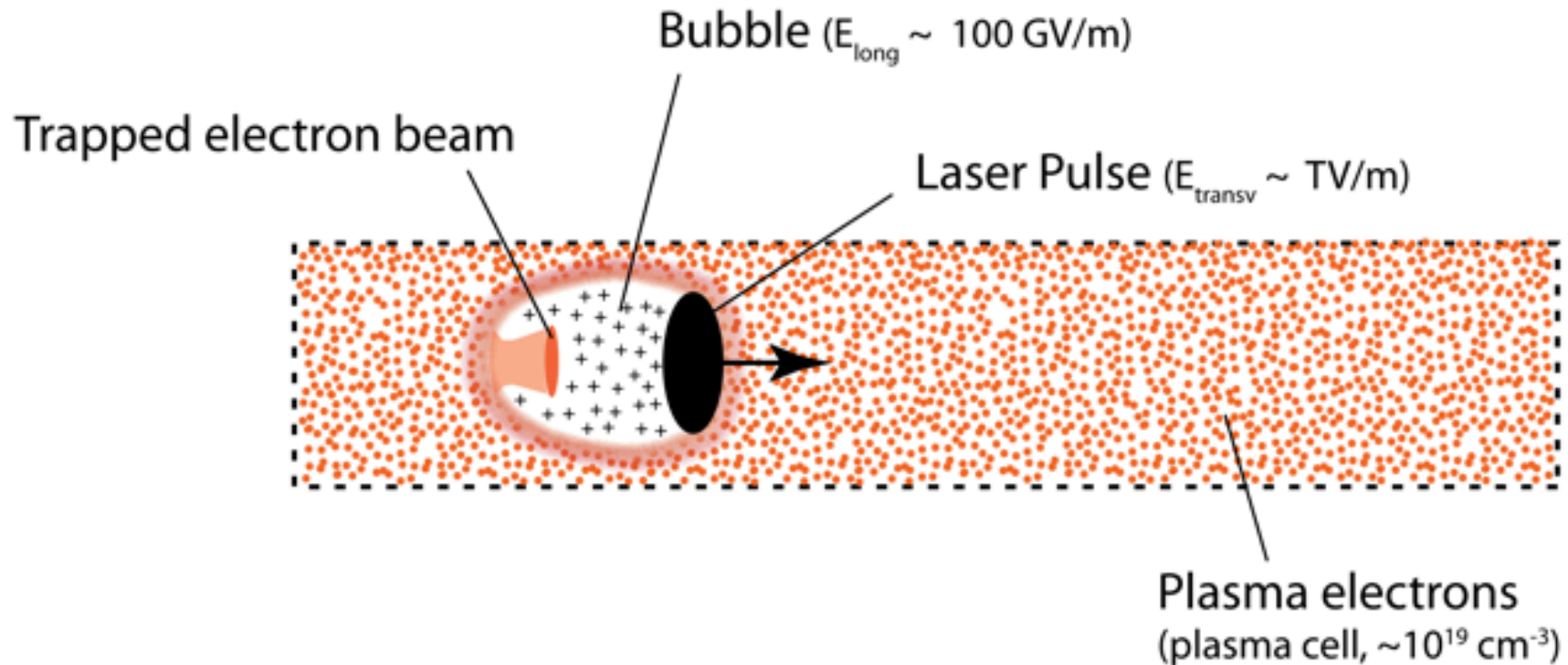


Plasma electrons
(plasma cell, $\sim 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$)

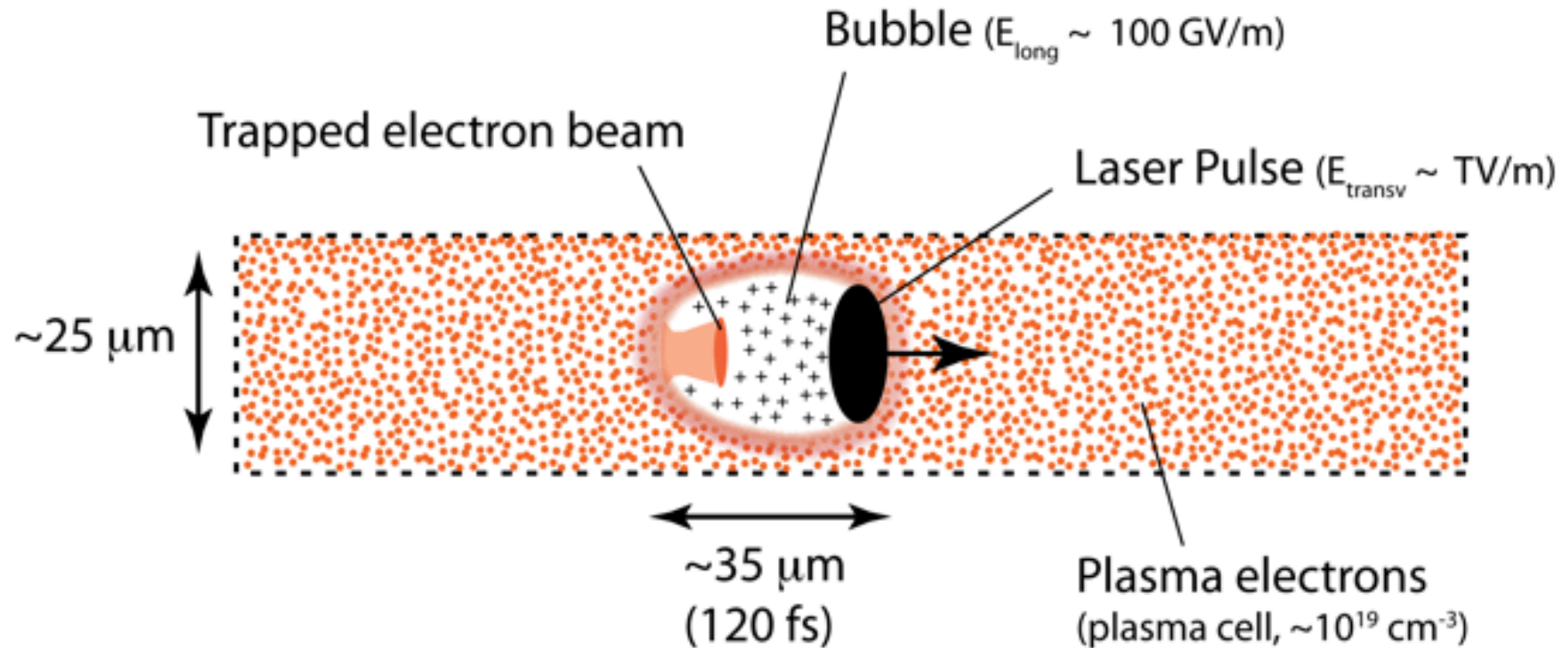
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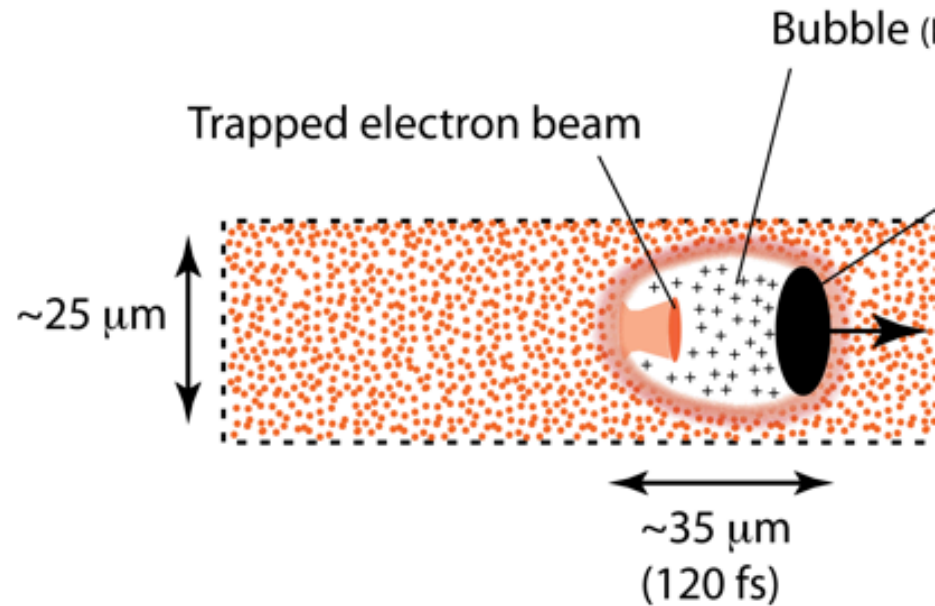


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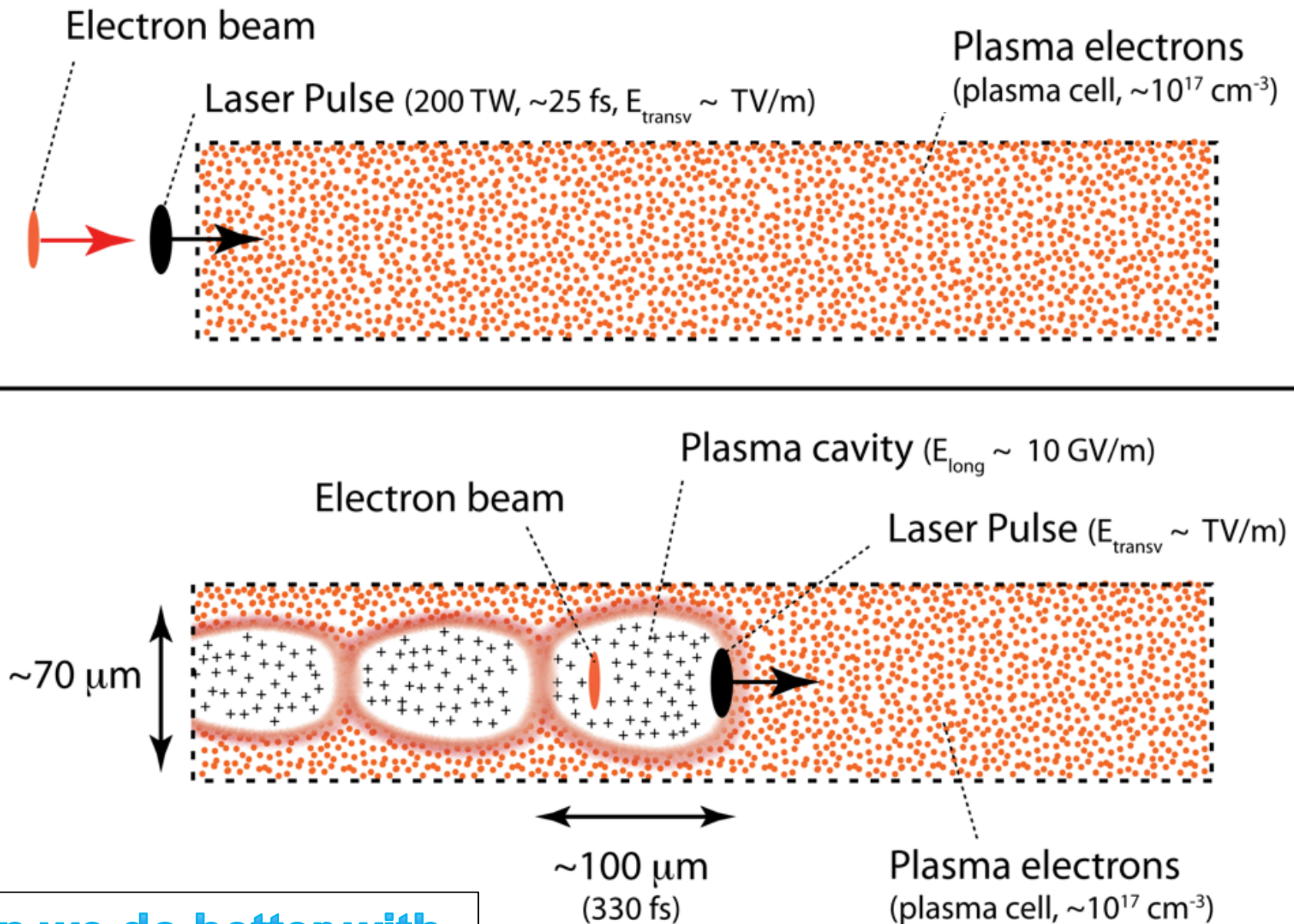
This accelerator fits into a human hair!

Reminder: Plasma-Acceleration (Internal Injection)



- This proved highly successful with electron bunches of **up to 4.5 GeV produced over a few cm.**
- Small dimensions involved → few **micron tolerances!**
- Highly compact but also **highly complex** accelerator: generation, bunching, focusing, acceleration, (wiggling) all in one small volume.
- Energy spread and stability at the few % level.

External Injection...



Can we do better with external injection?

Plasma Accelerator Physics I

- > A plasma of density n_0 (same density electrons - ions) is characterized by the **plasma frequency**:

$$\omega_p = \sqrt{\frac{n_0 e^2}{\epsilon_0 m_e}}$$

- > This translates into a **wavelength** of the plasma oscillation:

$$\lambda_p \approx 1\text{mm} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{10^{15}\text{cm}^{-3}}{n_0}}.$$

0.3 mm for $n_0 = 10^{16}\text{cm}^{-3}$

- > The wavelength gives the longitudinal size of the plasma cavity...
Lower plasma density is good: larger dimensions.



Plasma Accelerator Physics II

- > The plasma oscillation leads to **longitudinal accelerating fields** with a gradient of (higher plasma densities are better):

$$W_z = 96 \frac{V}{m} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n_0}{\text{cm}^{-3}}}$$

9.6 GV/m for 10^{16} cm^{-3}

- > The **group velocity of the laser in a plasma** is as follows ($\omega_p \ll \omega_l$. Note: ω_l is laser frequency):

$$v_g = c \cdot \sqrt{1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega_l^2}}$$

- > The laser-driven wakefield has a lower velocity than a fully relativistic electron → slippage and dephasing. Lower densities are better.



Electrons, Plasma and Laser: Parameters

e- beam for injection

Parameter	Unit	Value
Energy	MeV	100
Charge	pC	0.5 – 12
Energy spread	%	0.1
Norm. emittance	mm-mrad	0.3
Transv. size	μm	5
Bunch length	μm	3 – 12

Laser (Thales)

Parameter	Unit	Value
Wavelength	nm	815
Pulse length	fs	25
Spot size	μm	50
Energy	J	5
Peak power	TW	200
Pointing stability	μrad	3
Energy stability	%	1.5

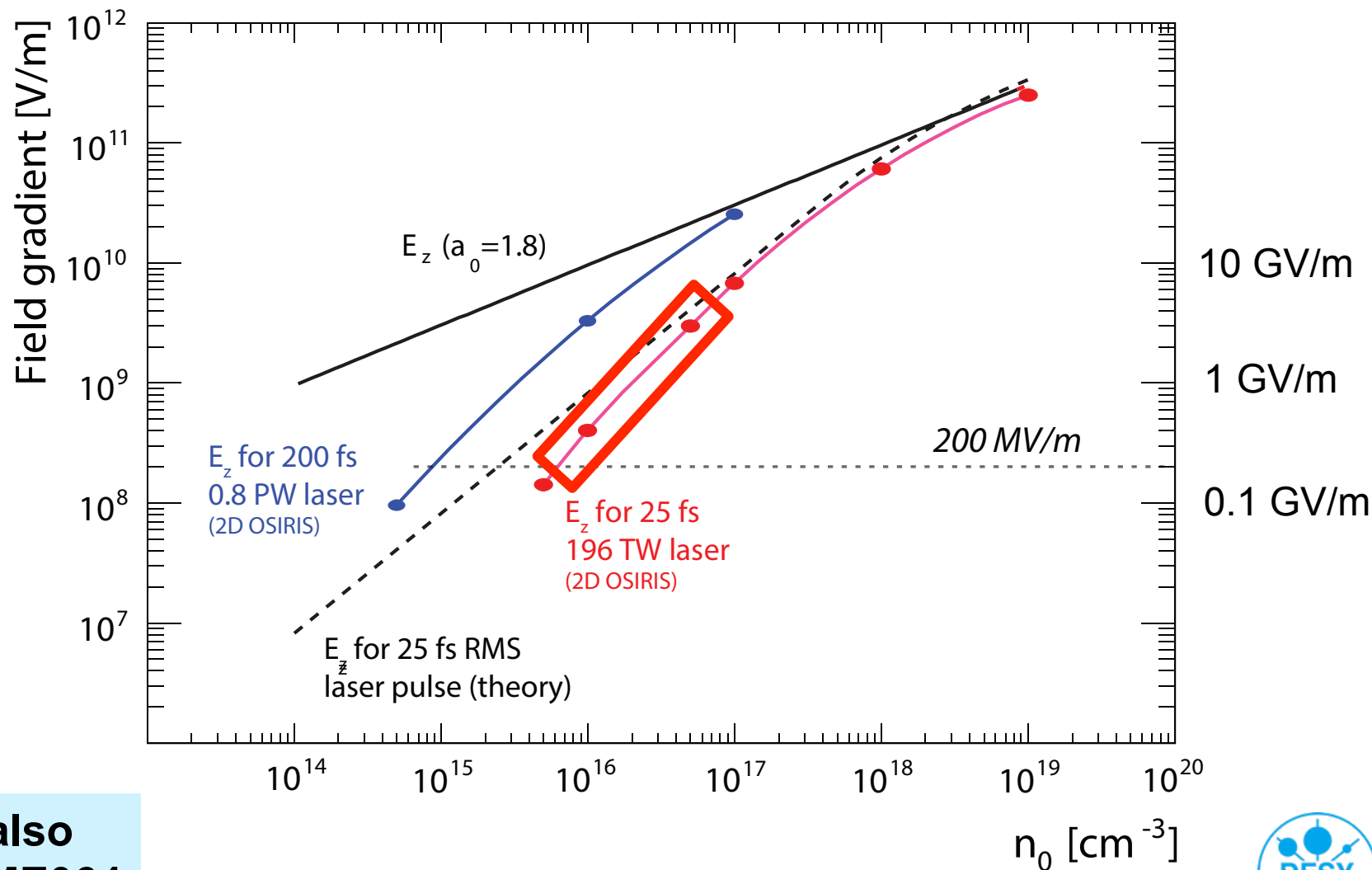
Plasma

Density cm^{-3} $0.5 \times 10^{16} - 10^{18}$



Minimum Useful Plasma Density

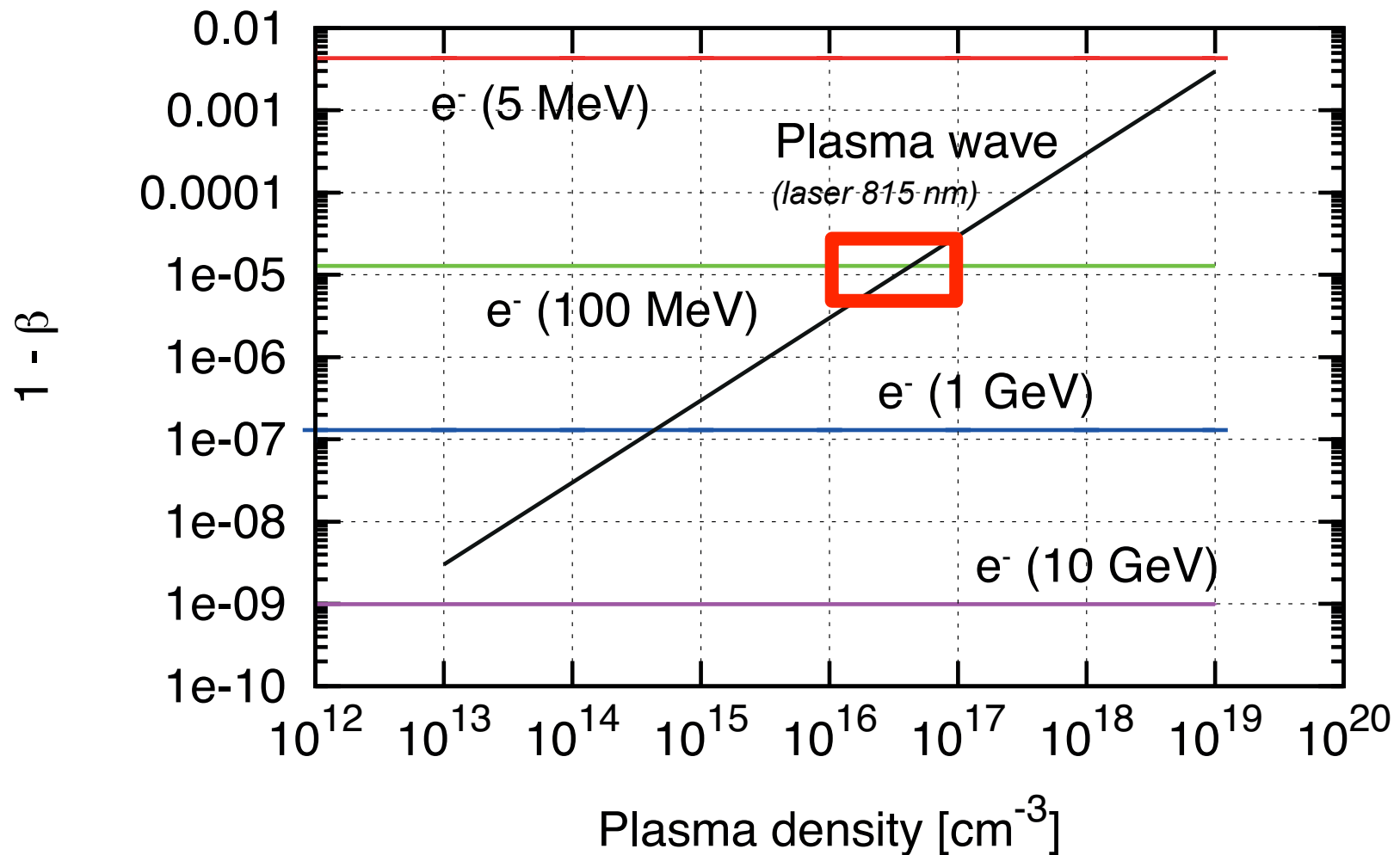
> Depends on technology to excite plasma. **Here we consider laser-driven...**



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Beam Energy for Injected Electron Bunch



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Plasma Accelerator Physics III

- > The ion channel left on axis, where the beam passes, induces an **ultra-strong focusing field**. In the simplest case:

$$g = 960 \pi \cdot \left(\frac{n_0}{10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right) \text{ T/m} \quad \text{300 kT/m for } 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

- > This can be converted into a **optical beta function** (lower density is better, as beta function is larger)::

$$k_\beta^2 = 0.2998 \frac{g}{E} \quad \beta = \frac{1}{k_\beta} \quad \beta = 1.1 \text{ mm for } 100 \text{ MeV}$$

- > The **phase advance** in the plasma channel is rapid:

$$\psi(s) = \int k_\beta s \, ds \propto \sqrt{E}$$



Plasma Accelerator Physics IV

- > The **matched beam size** in the ion channel is small:

$$\sigma_0 = \sqrt{\beta \varepsilon}$$

$$\sigma_0 = 1.3 \mu\text{m for } \gamma \varepsilon = 0.3 \mu\text{m}$$

- > Offsets between laser and beam centres will induce betatron oscillations. Assume: full dilution into emittance growth (energy spread and high phase advance).
- > Tolerances for **emittance growth** due to offsets $\Delta x = \sigma_x$:

$$\frac{\Delta \varepsilon}{\varepsilon_0} = \left(\frac{\sigma_x}{\sigma_0} \right)^2$$

$$100\% \text{ for } 1.3 \mu\text{m offset}$$

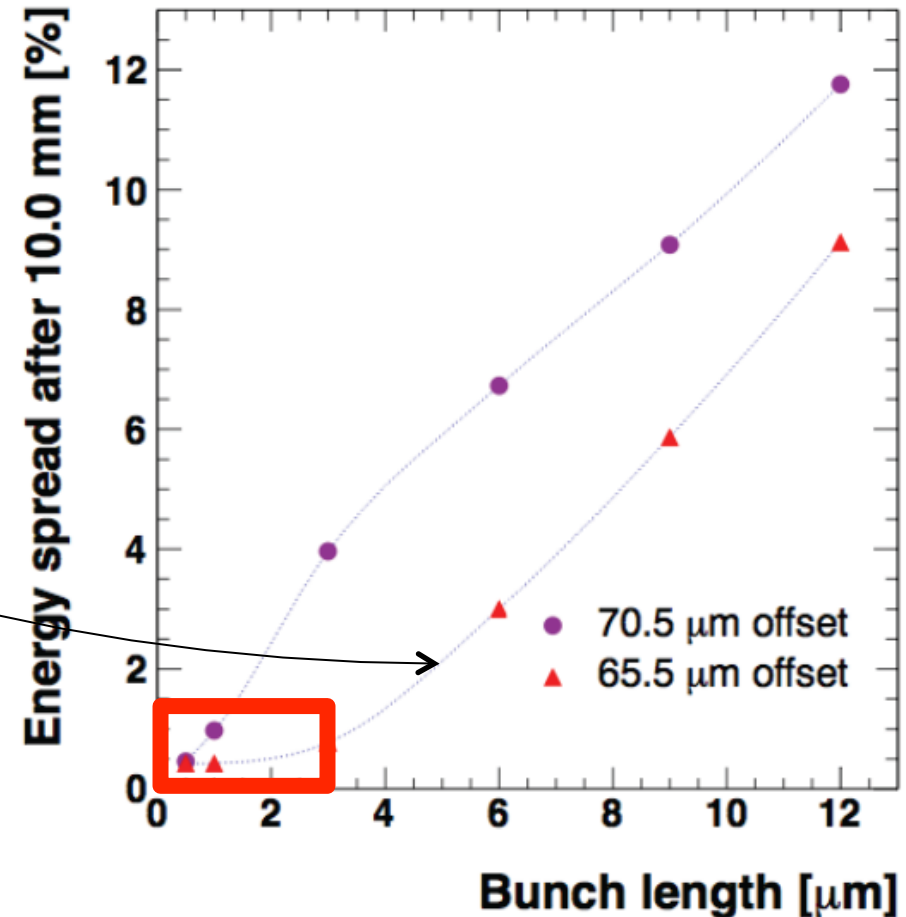
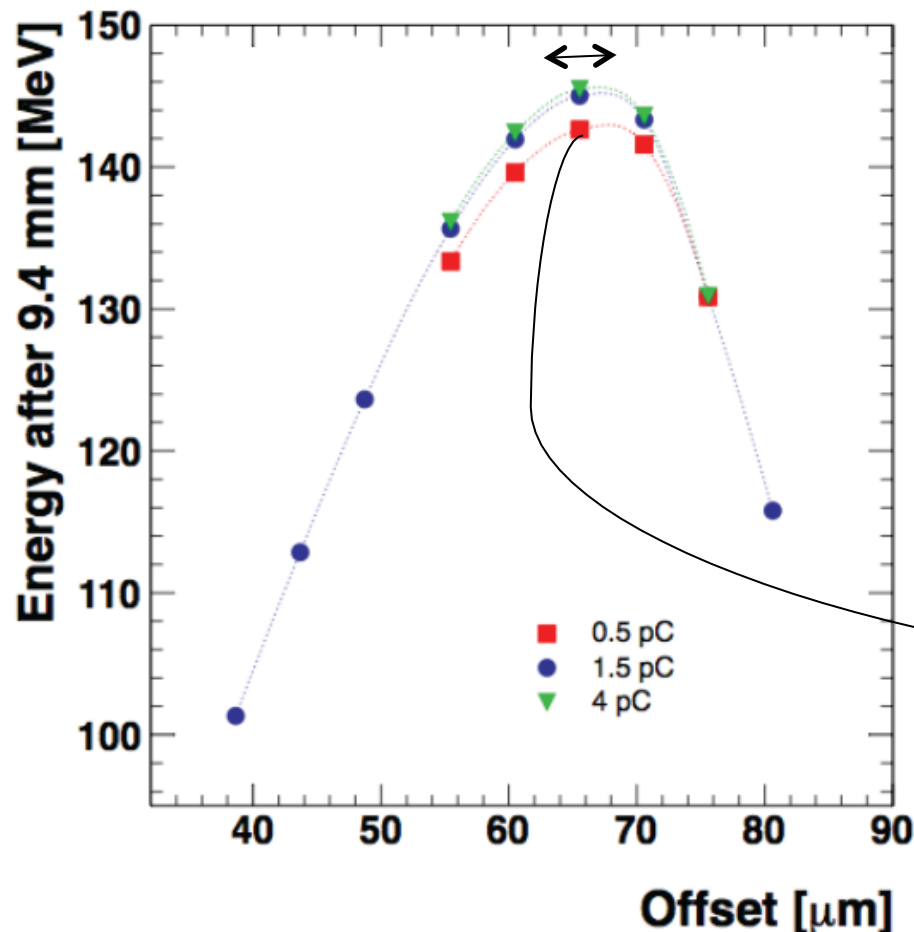
- > Lower plasma density better: larger matched beam size, bigger tolerances.



Energy + Energy Spread after ≈ 1 cm Plasma

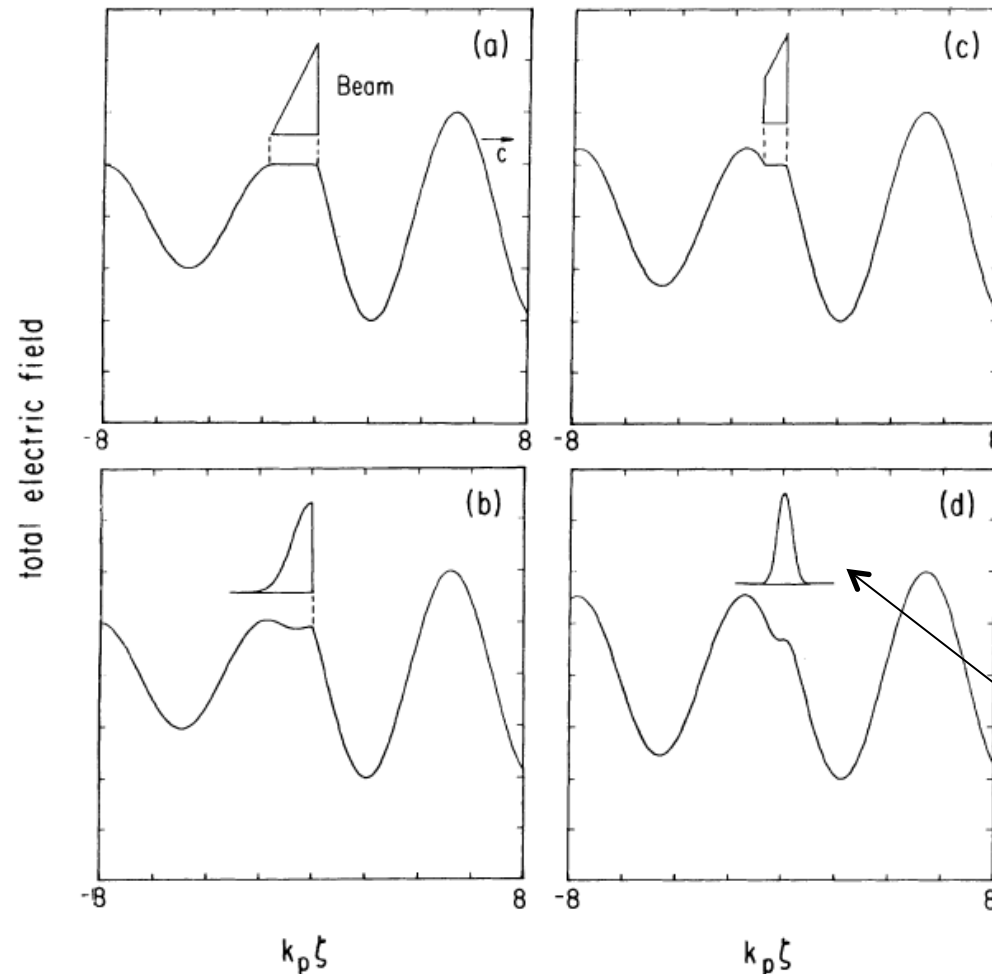
20 fs

$n_0 = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$



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- > Idea: Simon van der Meer – CLIC Note No. 3, CERN/PS/85-65 (AA) (1985).
- > Shape the electron beam to get optimized fields in the plasma, e.g. minimize energy spread.
- > Study: Tom Katsouleas.

This case we simulated.
Other cases to come.

FIGURE 4 Total electric field for various beam shapes: (a) triangle [Eq. (22), $N = 3N_0/4$, $k_p \xi_0 = \pi/3$], (b) half-Gaussian of same number of particles, (c) truncated triangle ($N = 9N_0/16$), and (d) Gaussian of same number as (c).

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Plasma Accelerator Projects

> Our **vision for going towards user capabilities:**

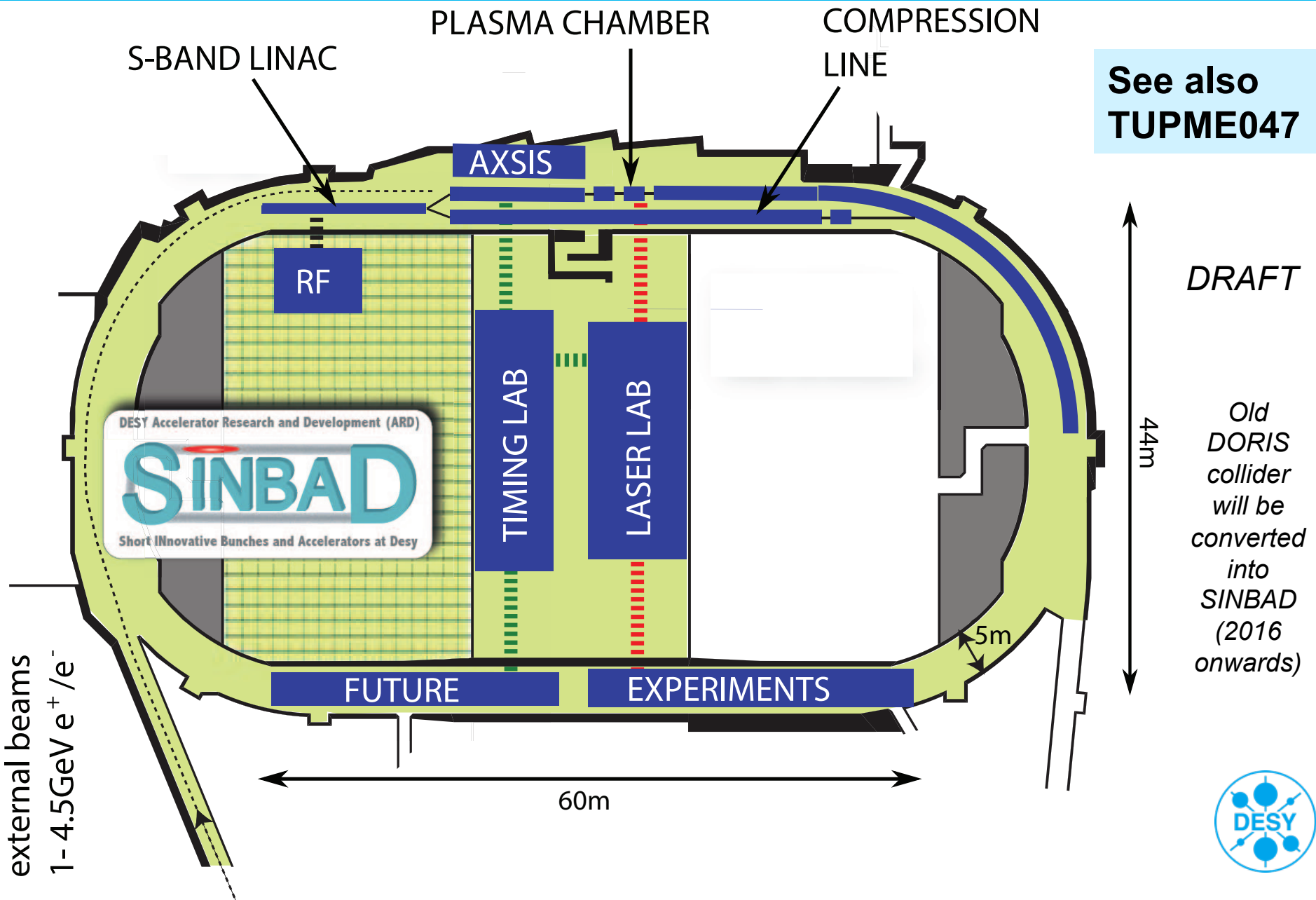
- Prepare external injection. Advantages: known beam in, measure the transfer function of the plasma, scans possible (Q, offset, length), can be staged,... Disadvantages: tolerances
- Generate short injected bunch (≤ 10 fs), shaping of bunch shape (van der Meer), small emittance (photo injector), fs synchronization (photon science), small beta function (HEP squeeze). We think we can get close or match the requirements with latest technology.
- As low as possible plasma densities to start in most simple conditions. Larger matched beam size, relaxed tolerances, ... Adiabatic matching into plasma (Whittum, 1989).
- The success will be all in accuracy, tolerances, precision! We mastered this in conventional accelerators.

> Now: **Build the suitable e^- injector for plasma...**

Some projects (not complete overview – many more)...



SINBAD – Short Innovative Bunches & Accelerators at DESY

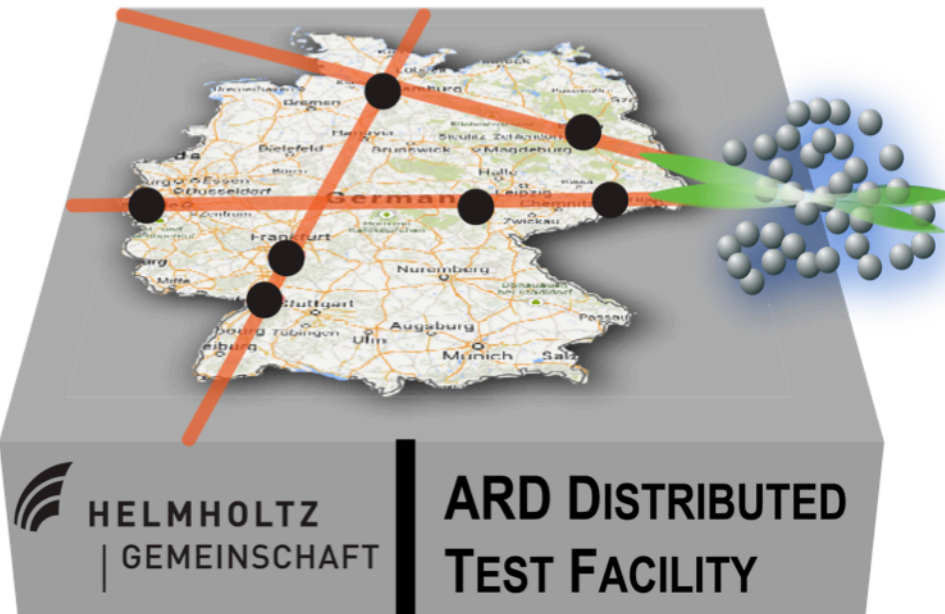


SINBAD: Concept and Idea

- > SINBAD **multi-purpose accelerator R&D** facility (PL: U. Dorda).
- > Presently $\approx$ half the space distributed for projects:
 - ARES: Ultra-short and dense electron bunches (PL: B. Marchetti).
 - AXSIS: THz driven waveguides for atto-second science (EU ERC funded)
 - **PLASMA(a): Use ARES beam for injection into laser-driven plasma accelerator.**
 - PLASMA(b): Use ARES beam for driving beam-driven plasma wakefields.
- > Quality goes first: **ARES built for maximum quality**. No major compromise allowed.
 - Still considering different RF technologies: what gives best quality?
- > Focus is on stability and quality. No new energy records.
- > Medium term: FEL applications. Long term: HEP.



Proposal: Helmholtz Distributed ARD Test Facility – Germany



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> Theme 1: **Collaboration**

Networking of existing research infrastructure.

> Theme 2: **Synergy**

Extension of facilities for common usage.

> Thema 3: **Leadership**

2 – 3 flagship projects for internationally leading research with the **aim of ultra-compact accelerators and radiation sources** (plasma acceleration major player).

SINBAD

Short novel bunches & accelerators at DESY

Kompakte Atto-Sekunden Lichtquelle
50 as, ICS
ERC Synergy Grant, DESY, Uni HH, Arizona

Ultrakurzer Elektronenpuls
< 1 fs mit konventioneller Technologie
ARD, DESY, Uni HH, KIT

durch optimale Nutzung der Infrastruktur

Nutzbarkeitsstudien Plasma-beschleuniger, Skalierbarkeit
> 1 GeV/m, nutzbare Strahlqualität, FEL?
LAOLA, ARD, DESY, Uni HH

Raum für Phasenraum an der ELI

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bERLinPro centre for high power cw beams in sc accelerators

bERLinPro = Berlin Energy Recovery Linac Project
100 mA / low emittance technology demonstrator

Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin

beam dump
6.5 MeV, 100 mA = 650 kW

linac module
44 MeV

booster
4.5 MeV

ar-gun
1.5-2 MeV

high virtual beam power zone
microwave instability driven radiation generation

MOPRO106

5 b

Jülich Short-Pulse Particle and Radiation Centre

Particle physics

Synchrotron radiation

JuSPARC

Material research

Markus Büscher

ELBE center for high power radiation sources

Durham University (450 TW ultrafast laser facility)

WEPRO113

Beam driven sources (LINA, FEL, ...) at ELBE

150TW

Draco PW

HZDR

The LIGHT test-stand at GSI: coupling of laser-accelerated ions into conventional accelerators

Principle: manipulation of laser-accelerated ions

1. Laser-driven ion acceleration
2. beam conditioning (collimation)
3. drift line and phase-space rotation

Current results:

initial experimental proof of principle

TUPME030

proton beam

FLUTE: ARD-Forschung am KIT

MOPRO066

Ultrakurze
Grosser B
Kohärente

Anwendungen

- Entwicklung/Tests von Kurzpuls-Strahldiagnose und Instrumentierung
- Kooperation KIT, PSI, DESY

Ferninfrarot Linac- U

FLUTE, a Linac-Based THz Source at KIT

Helmholtz-Institute Jena

of diode-laser systems
f broad-band
r: 16.6 J @

THOBA03

driven

Development and application of novel

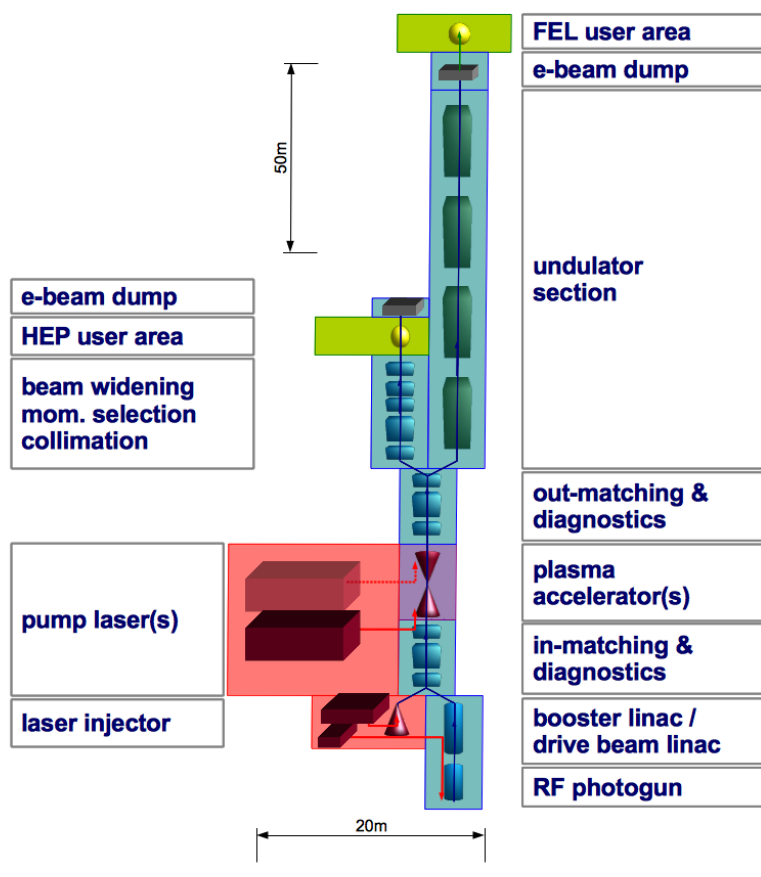
W. Schifano et al., Applied Phys. Lett. (2013)
A. Sävert et al., submitted (2013)

EuPRAXIA – EU Design Study Proposal

- > EuPRAXIA = **European Plasma Research Accelerator with eXcellence In Applications**
- > Planning a proposal as EU design study to the EU in September.
- > If successful, then this could result in a **European construction project (Large Infrastructure) by the early 2020's**.
- > Involved institutes: About **20 European labs and universities**.
 - Bringing together research infrastructure, expertise, brainpower
 - Build one European plasma accelerator at one location.
 - Distribute the resources and the work (like a big particle physics detector).
- > Foresee some associate institutes from US, Asia, Russia.



EuPRAXIA



	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	WP
Project setup					1
Team hiring					all
Preliminary baseline concept					1
Workshop FEL users					6
Workshop HEP users					7
Workshop laser industry/comm.					4
Workshop RF accelerator					5
Preliminary system tolerances					2
Laser conceptual study					4
Laser stability study					4
Photoinjector design					5
Plasma structure design					3
Numerical tools, interfaces					2
Baseline machine model					2
Preliminary simulations					2
Start to end machine simulations					2
Tolerances, performance, corr.					2
FEL Design					6
FEL start to end simulations					6
HEP beamline design					7
Beam handling					5

Today

Multi GeV e- bunches
in plasma acc. (30 m)

**EuPRAXIA 5 GeV FEL
& HEP test beam
250 m**

2020's

Plasma Linear Coll.
3000 – 5000 m

2030's

Ultra-Compact FEL
10 – 100 m

Ultra-Compact e-
medical accelerator

Conclusion

- > Plasma-based accelerators have made very nice progress. The **achieved beam energy follows an exponential function** (Livingston).
- > Beam **quality is still insufficient** for users. Plasma cavities are small and have ultra-strong fields. Interesting accelerator physics...
- > Conventional **accelerator physicists can help: Build the best possible injector** for a laser-driven plasma accelerator.
- > Pick up on the work of famous accelerator physicists, e.g. van der Meer who suggested **specially shaped e- bunches** for injection into plasma.
- > Requirements are being defined. Present status presented.
- > We think we can master the challenges.
- > Several **projects are being set up** along the lines discussed. I have mentioned SINBAD at DESY, Helmholtz ARD Distributed Facility and EuPRAXIA (EU design study).



Thank you for your attention...

