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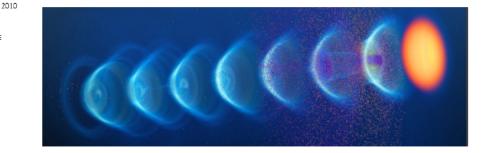
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Challenges of plasma cell-based accelerators

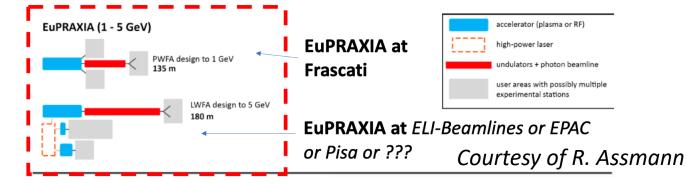
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Outline

- Saturation of conventional accelerators technology
- Novel acceleration techniques
 - Plasma-based accelerators driven either by laser or particle beams



 Towards compact facilities for High Energy Physics studies and novel radiation sources production





LHC

LEP II

LC500

e+e- Colliders

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ONSTITUENT COLLISION ENERGY

Hadron Colliders

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1970

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1980

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YEAR OF COMPLETION

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2000

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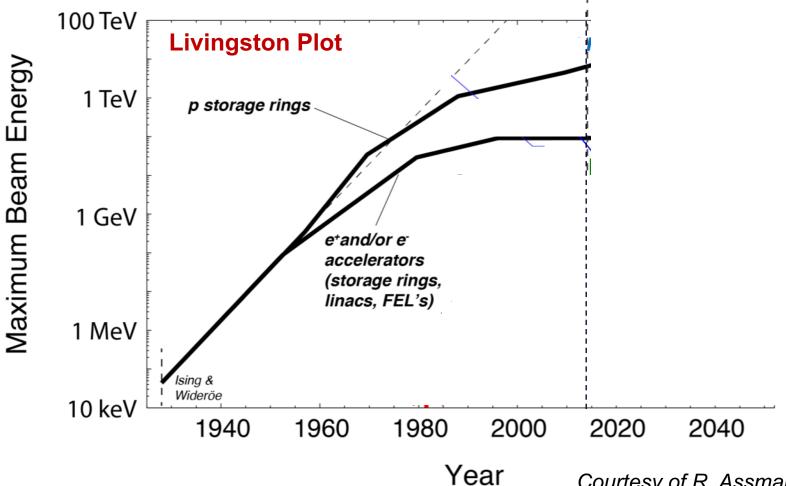
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Saturation of Accelerator Technology

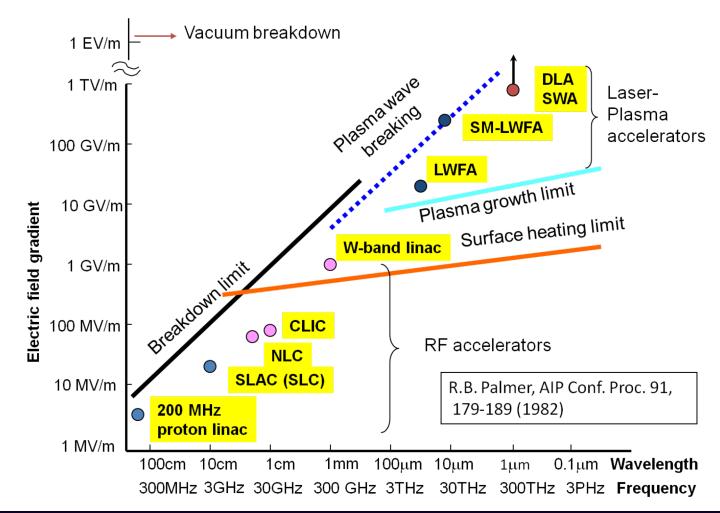


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Accelerating Field Limits



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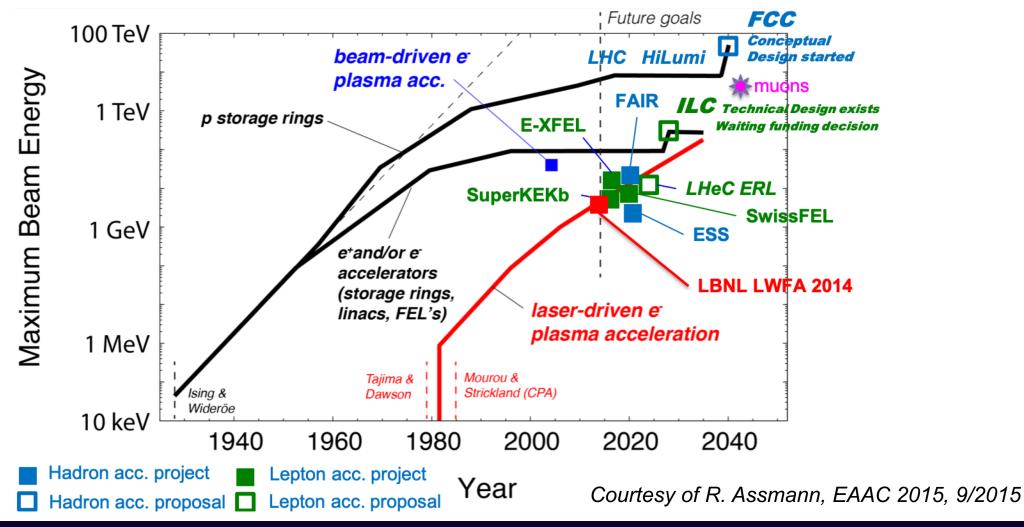
- Gradient limited by material breakdown
 - e.g. X-band demonstration around 120 MV/m)
- High-gradient field => reduction of operating wavelength, from RF to the THz

 $E_s(MV/m) = 220[f(GHz)]^{1/3}$

- Challenges in power generation
 - new paradigma in the excitation of accelerating waves



Updated Livingston Plot

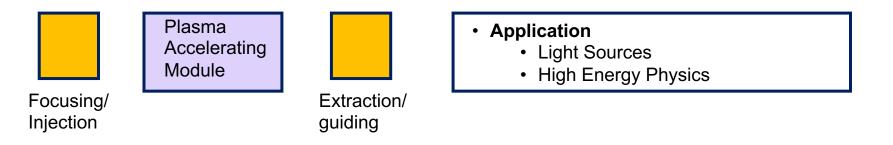






Towards Compact Facilities

- Multi GeV acceleration in cm scale plasma structures
- Acceleration of high brightness electron beams and their transport up to the final application, preserving the high quality of the 6D beam phase space



- Injection and matching to plasma accelerating module
- Extraction and guiding to final application





International Scenario

PRESENT EXPERIMENTS

Demonstrating **100 GV/m** routinely

Demonstrating **GeV** electron beams

Demonstrating basic quality



EuPRAXIA INFRASTRUCTURE

Engineering a high quality, compact plasma accelerator

5 GeV electron beam for the 2020's

Demonstrating user readiness Pilot users from FEL, HEP, medicine, ...

PRODUCTION FACILITIES

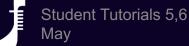
Plasma-based **linear** collider in 2040's

Plasma-based **FEL** in 2030's

Medical, industrial applications soon

Courtesy R. Assmann



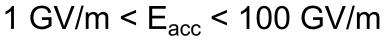


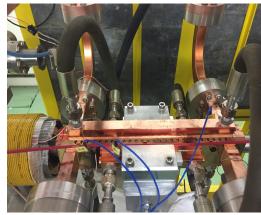
High Gradient Options

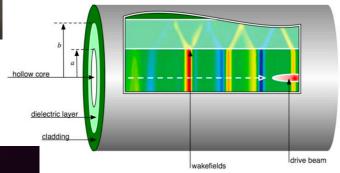
- RF accelerating structures, from Xband to K-band 100 MV/m < E_{acc}< 1 GV/m
- Dielectrict structures, laser or particle driven

 $1 \text{ GV/m} < \text{E}_{\text{acc}} < 5 \text{ GV/m}$

Plasma accelerator, laser or particle driven











Acceleration in Vacuum

In vacuum, the motion of an electron in a laser field determined by the Lorentz force equation

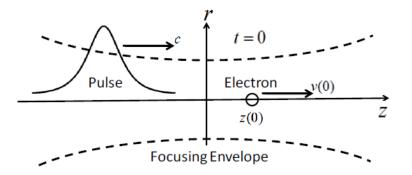
$$\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = \vec{E}_s(\vec{r},t)\cos{(\omega t)}$$
 is

"direct" laser acceleration

$$\frac{\vec{p}}{dt} = -e\left[\frac{\vec{E}}{E} + \frac{1}{c}\left(\vec{v} \times \vec{B}\right)\right]$$
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"ponderomotive" laser acceleration

Let consider an electron initially (t=0) on the beam axis of the laser at z = z(0), moving in the longitudinal direction with velocity $\vec{v}(0) = v(0)\hat{z}$







Acceleration in Vacuum

When a laser field propagating along the *z* axis is focused in vacuum, the laser spot size and intensity, assuming a fundamental Gaussian mode, evolve as

$$r_{s} = r_{0}\sqrt{1 + \frac{z^{2}}{Z_{R}^{2}}} \qquad I = I_{0}\frac{r_{0}^{2}}{r_{s}^{2}}e^{-\frac{2r^{2}}{r_{s}^{2}}}$$
$$Z_{R} = \frac{kr_{0}^{2}}{2} \qquad \text{Rayleigh length}$$

The finite laser spot size implies the existence of an axial component of the laser electric field via

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0$$
, i.e. $E_z \approx \frac{1}{kr_0} E_{\perp}$

The amplitude of the axial field can be very large: the axial field might be directly used for laser acceleration.

However,
$$v_{ph} > c$$
 and near the focus is $\frac{v_{ph}}{c} \cong 1 + \frac{1}{kZ_R}$

Since $v_{ph} > c$, electrons with $v_z < c$ will phase slip with respect to the accelerating field and decelerate.



Lawson-Woodward Theorem

The net energy gain of a relativistic electron interacting with an electromagnetic field **in vacuum** is zero

The theorem assumes that

(i) the em field is in vacuum with no walls or boundaries present

(ii) the electron is highly relativistic ($v \approx c$) along the acceleration path

(iii) no static electric or magnetic fields are present

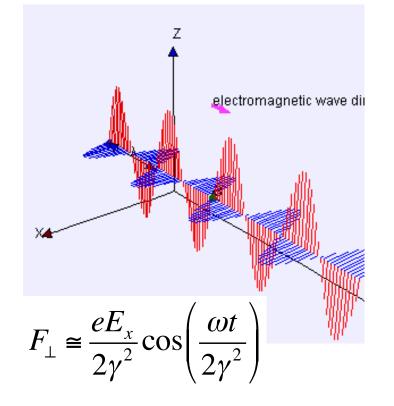
(iv) the region of interaction is infinite

(v) ponderomotive effects (nonlinear forces, e.g. $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$ force) are neglected



Acceleration mechanism must violate the Lawson-Woodward theorem

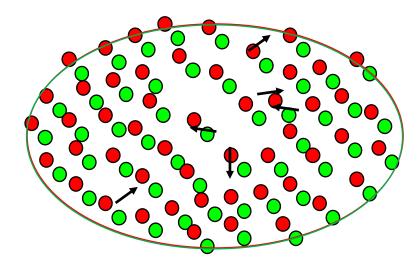
J.D. Lawson, IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci. NS-26, 4217, 1979 P.M. Woodward, J. Inst. Electr. Eng. 93, 1554, 1947







Plasma Model



Courtesy of M. Ferrario

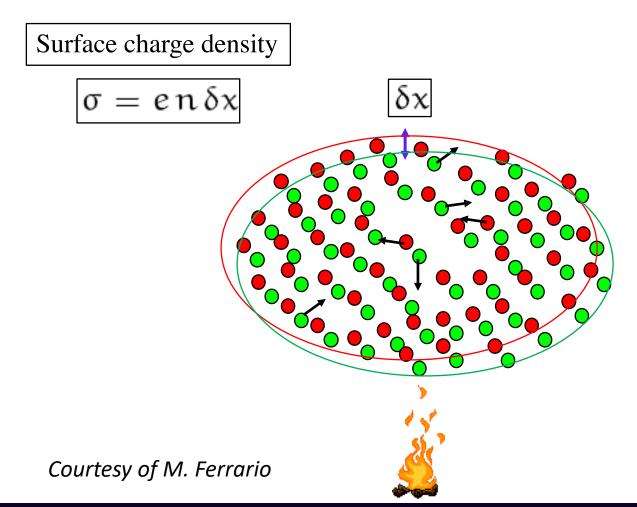


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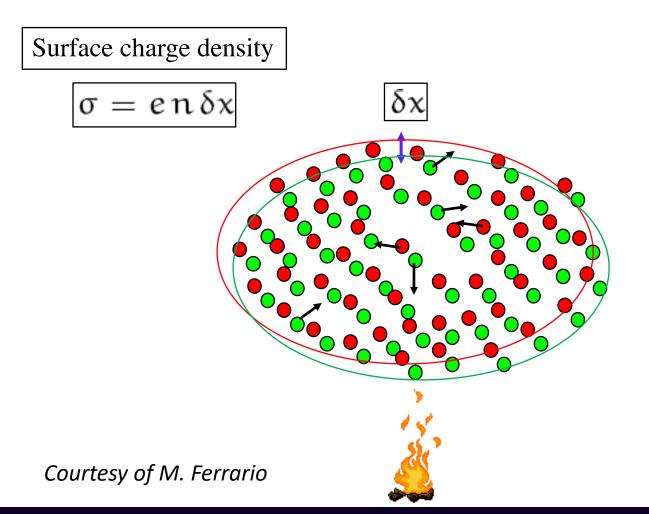




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Plasma Model



Surface electric field

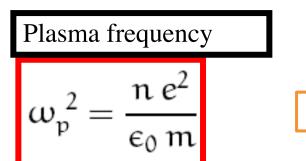
$$E_x = -\sigma/\epsilon_0 = -e n \, \delta x/\epsilon_0$$

Restoring force

$$m\frac{d^2\delta x}{dt^2} = e E_x = -m \omega_p^2 \delta x$$

Plasma oscillations

$$\delta \mathbf{x} = (\delta \mathbf{x})_0 \, \cos\left(\omega_p \, \mathbf{t}\right)$$



Collective behavior !!

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Plasma Definition

- A partially or completely ionized gas, globally neutral, is a plasma if it exhibits a collective behavior
 - Coulomb shielding
 - Dimensions >> Debye length

$$\lambda_D = \sqrt{\frac{kT\varepsilon_0}{ne^2}}$$

Plasma Oscillations
• Temporal response >>
$$\omega_p^{-1}$$
 $\omega_p = \sqrt{rac{ne^2}{m \varepsilon_0}}$

• The large electric fields a plasma can sustain are supported by collective motion of plasma electrons, forming a **space charge disturbance** moving at a speed slightly smaller than *c*

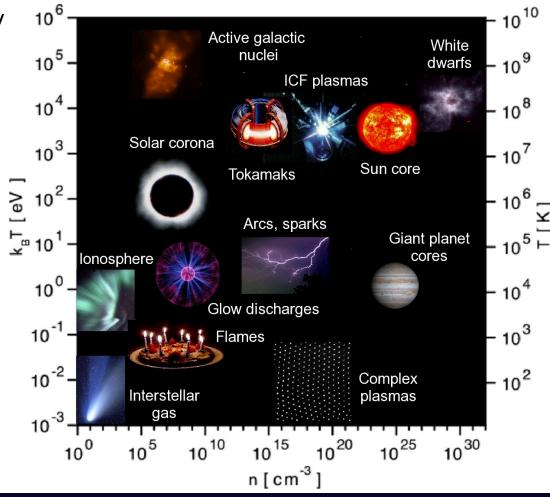


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Plasma States

In Nature and in Laboratory

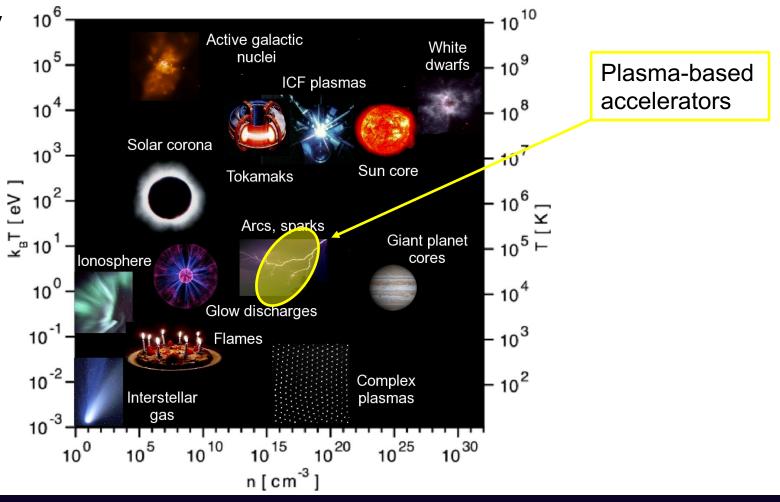






Plasma for Accelerators

In Nature and in Laboratory





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Laser-driven Plasma Wakefield Acceleration (LWFA)

Let us consider a charge q in an oscillating electric field with a non-uniform envelope

 $\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) = \vec{E}_s(\vec{r},t)\cos\left(\omega t\right)$ Laser Field (LWFA)

Hypotheses

1. Slowly varying envelope approximation (SVEA): $\vec{E}_s(\vec{r},t) \approx \vec{E}_s(\vec{r})$

2. Non relativistic equation of motion

$$m\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = q\left[\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right]$$

 $ec{v} imes ec{B}(ec{r},t) \ll ec{E}(ec{r},t) \;\;$ but not negligible (II order theory)

3. Position of q = "slow" drift + "fast" oscillation $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_0(t) + \delta \vec{r}_1(t)$ $\delta \vec{r}_1(t) \ll \vec{r}_0(t) \quad |\vec{v}_0| \ll |\vec{v}_1| \quad \left| \frac{d \vec{v}_0}{dt} \right| \ll \left| \frac{d \vec{v}_1}{dt} \right|$



Let's first neglect the **B** field and Taylor expand the **E** field around: $ec{r_0}(t)$

$$m\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = m\frac{d\vec{v}_0}{dt} + m\frac{d\vec{v}_1}{dt} = q \begin{bmatrix} \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) + (\delta\vec{r}_1 \cdot \nabla) \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \end{bmatrix} \cos(\omega t)$$

$$\approx \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0)$$
Hyp. III
$$m\frac{d\vec{v}_1}{dt} \approx q\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0)\cos(\omega t)$$

$$\vec{v}_1 = \frac{q}{m\omega}\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0)\sin(\omega t)$$

$$\delta\vec{r}_1 = -\frac{q}{m\omega^2}\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0)\cos(\omega t)$$





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Moreover from III Maxwell equation:

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla \times \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \end{bmatrix} \cos(\omega t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \qquad \vec{B}(\vec{r}_0, t) = -\frac{1}{\omega} \begin{bmatrix} \nabla \times \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \end{bmatrix} \sin(\omega t)$$
Then, the particle motion equation
$$m\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = q \begin{bmatrix} \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$q(\delta \vec{r}_1 \cdot \nabla) \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \cos(\omega t)$$

$$m\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = m\frac{d\vec{v}_0}{dt} + m\frac{d\vec{v}_1}{dt} = q\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \cos(\omega t) + \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{q^2}{m\omega^2} \left(\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \cdot \nabla\right) \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \cos(\omega t) \right)^2$$

$$-\frac{-q^2}{m\omega^2} \underbrace{\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \times \left(\nabla \times \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0)\right) \sin(\omega t)^2}_{q\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)}$$



Then, the particle motion equation

$$m\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = q\left[\vec{E}(\vec{r},t) + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r},t)\right]$$

$$m\frac{d\vec{v}_0}{dt} = \frac{-q^2}{m\omega^2} \left[\left(\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \cdot \nabla \right) \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \cos\left(\omega t\right)^2 + \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \times \left(\nabla \times \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \right) \sin\left(\omega t\right)^2 \right]$$

$$\left\langle m\frac{d\vec{v}_0}{dt} \right\rangle_T = \frac{-q^2}{2m\omega^2} \left[\left(\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \cdot \nabla \right) \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) + \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \times \left(\nabla \times \vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0) \right) \right] \\ \frac{1}{2} \nabla \left[E_s(\vec{r}_0)^2 \right]$$





Ponderomotive Force

$$\left\langle m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \right\rangle_T = \left\langle m \frac{d\vec{v}_0}{dt} \right\rangle_T = \frac{-q^2}{4m\omega^2} \nabla \left[\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}_0)^2 \right] \quad \text{Ponderomotive force}$$

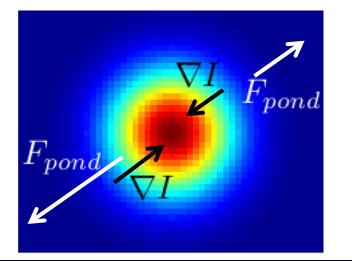
Ponderomotive force per unit volume

$$\frac{-q^2}{4m\omega^2\epsilon_0}\nabla\left[\epsilon_0 E_s(\vec{r}_0)^2\right] = -\frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}\nabla\left[\frac{\left\langle\epsilon_0 E^2\right\rangle}{2}\right]$$

$$F_{pond} \propto -q^2 \frac{\nabla(\text{wave intensity})}{m} = -q^2 \frac{\nabla I}{m}$$

Any charge escapes from the region of greater radiation intensity, like under a pressure ...

Electrons undergoes to a greater force than ions (force depends on the mass, ... **pondus**)







Limits to Acceleration Length

- Laser pulse diffraction
 - Limits laser-plasma interaction length to ~ Rayleigh range
 - **SOLUTION**: transverse plasma density tailoring => guiding capillary
- Electron dephasing
 - Slippage between e-beam and plasma wave

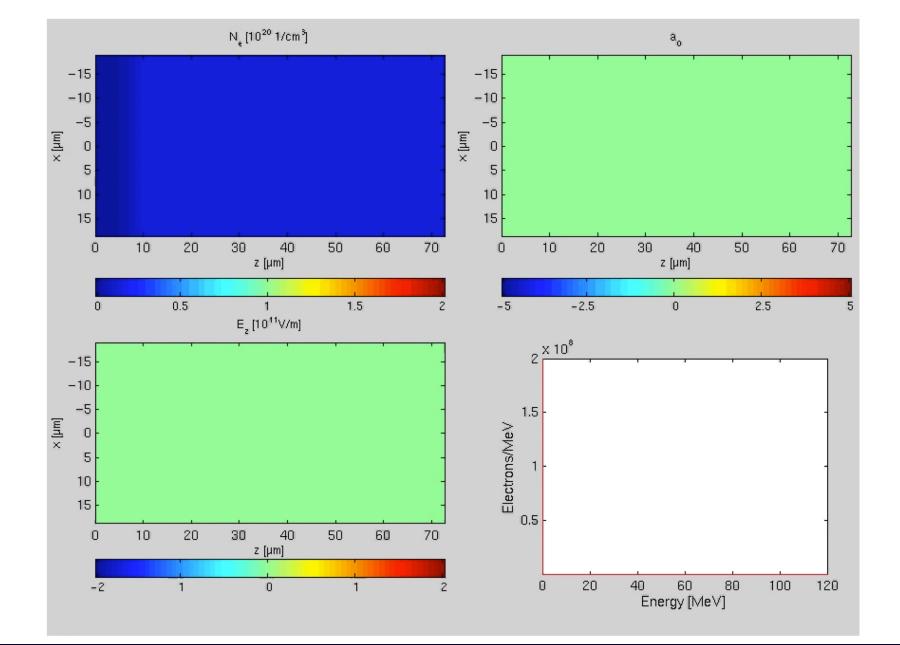
$$L_{\text{dephase}} = \lambda_p / 2(1 - \beta_p) \approx \lambda_p^3 / \lambda^2$$

- **SOLUTION**: longitudinal plasma density tailoring => tapered density or capillary
- Laser pulse energy depletion
 - Rate of laser energy deposition into plasma wave excitation
- $L_{\rm deplete} \propto n^{-3/2} \lambda^{-2}$

SOLUTION: Staging









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The Dawn of Compact Accelerators

Monoenergetic beams of relativistic electrons from intense laser-plasma interactions

S. P. D. Mangles¹, C. D. Murphy^{1,2}, Z. Najmudin¹, A. G. R. Thomas¹, J. L. Collier², A. E. Dangor¹, E. J. Divall², P. S. Foster², J. G. Gallacher³, C. J. Hooker², D. A. Jaroszynski³, A. J. Langley², W. B. Mori⁴, P. A. Norreys², F. S. Tsung⁴, R. Viskup³, B. R. Walton¹ & K. Krushelnick¹

High-quality electron beams from a laser wakefield accelerator using plasma-channel guiding

C. G. R. Geddes^{1,2}, Cs. Toth¹, J. van Tilborg^{1,3}, E. Esarey¹, C. B. Schroeder¹, D. Bruhwiler⁴, C. Nieter⁴, J. Cary^{4,5} & W. P. Leemans¹

A laser-plasma accelerator producing monoenergetic electron beams

J. Faure¹, Y. Glinec¹, A. Pukhov², S. Kiselev², S. Gordienko², E. Lefebvre³, J.-P. Rousseau¹, F. Burgy¹ & V. Malka¹

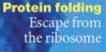


30 September 2004

Sounds of air

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and sea

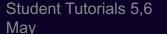


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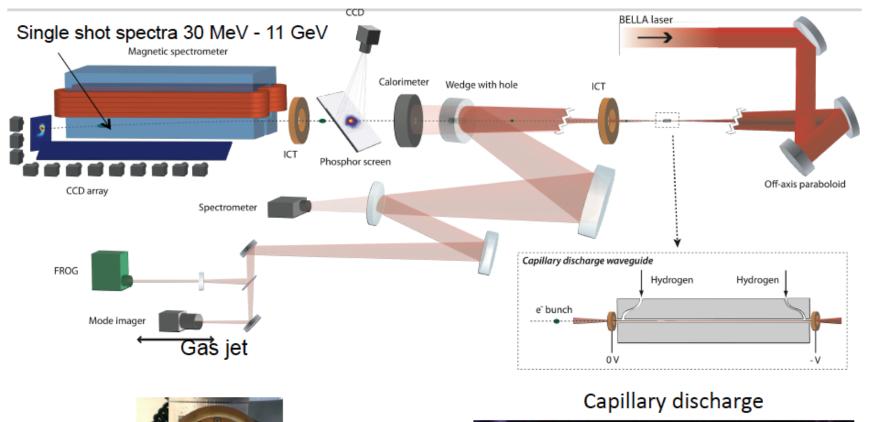


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Experiments at LBNL



Big Laser In

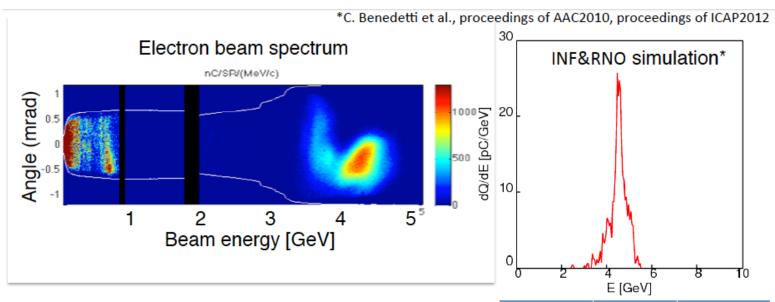
The BELLA laser was focused by the 14 m focal length off-axis parabola onto a gas jet or capillary discharge targets



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Experiments at LBNL



4.25 GeV beams have been obtained from 9 cm plasma channel powered by 310 TW laser pulses (15 J)

- Laser (E=15 J):
 - Measured) longitudinal profile (T₀ = 40 fs)
 - Measured far field mode ($w_0 = 53 \mu m$)
- Plasma: parabolic plasma channel (length 9 cm, n₀~6-7x10¹⁷ cm⁻³)
- Exp.
 Sim.

 Energy
 4.25 GeV
 4.5 GeV

 ΔE/E
 5%
 3.2%

 Charge
 ~20 pC
 23 pC

 Divergence
 0.3 mrad
 0.6 mrad

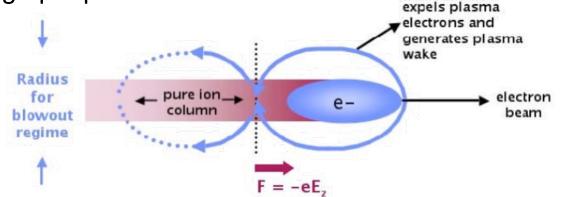
W.P. Leemans et al., PRL 2014





Particle-driven Plasma Wakefield Acceleration (PWFA)

- The high-gradient wakefield is driven by an intense, high-energy charged particle beam as it passes through the plasma.
- The space-charge of the electron bunch blows out plasma electrons which rush back in and overshoot setting up a plasma oscillation

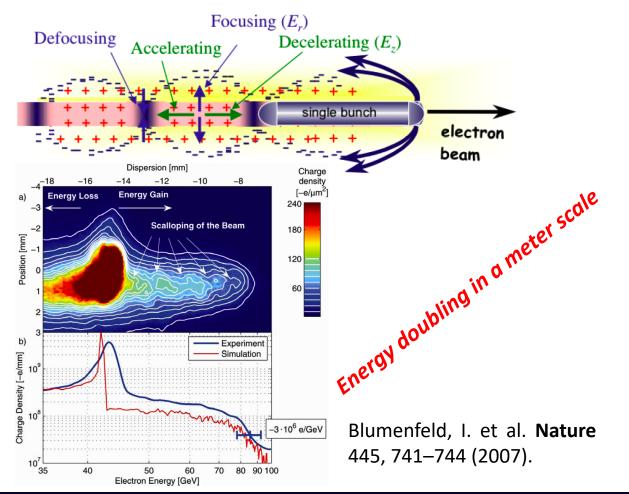


- First demonstration of the excitation of a wakefield by a relativistic beam in the linear regime, i.e. beam density typically less than the plasma density => J. Rosenzweig et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 61, 98 (1988)
- Peak acceleration gradient ~ 1.6 MeV/m, but the experiment clearly showed the wakefield persisting for several plasma wavelengths.





Particle-driven Plasma Wakefield Acceleration (PWFA)

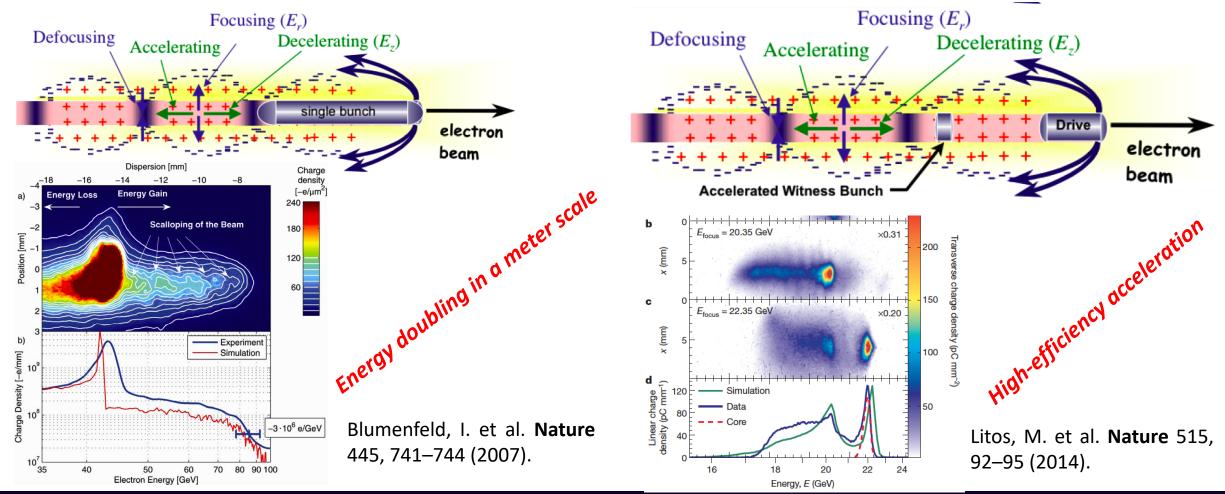




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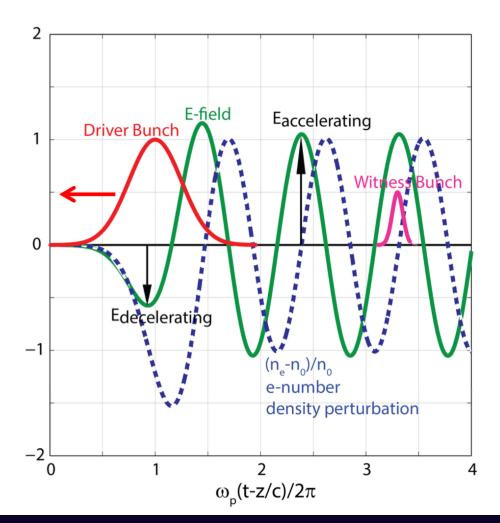


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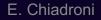
From Linear Regime ...





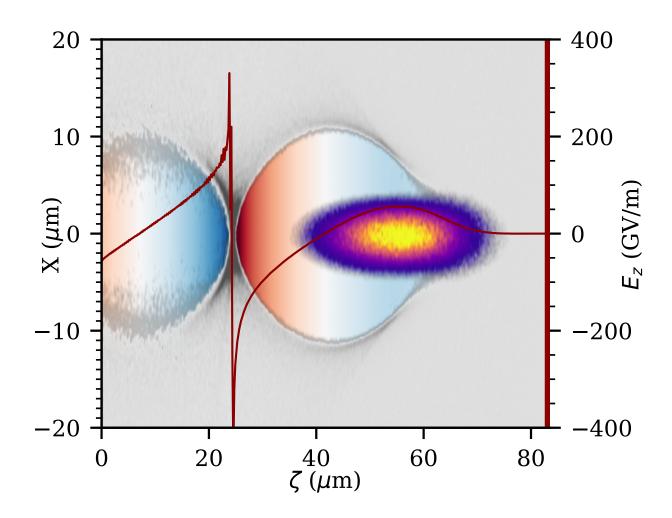
Note: Focusing force is sinusoidal







... to Quasi Linear and Non Linear Regime







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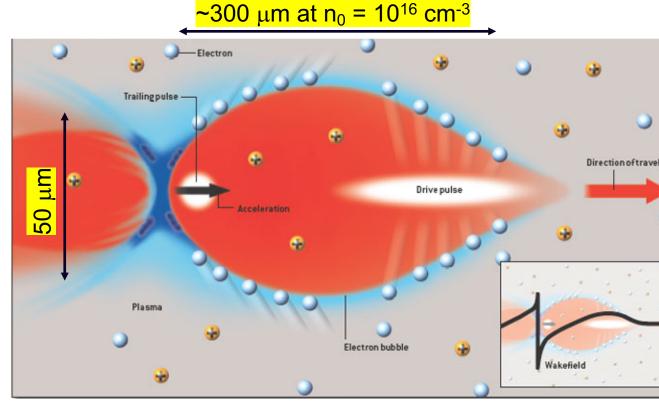


Breakdown Limit

- The **ionized plasma** in a gas-filled discharge capillary, a gas cell or a gas jet can sustain accelerating gradient 2-3 orders of magnitude larger than in conventional RF-based accelerators
- Maximum accelerating field a plasma can ٠ sustain: Wave breaking field

$$E_0 = \frac{m_e c \omega_p}{e} \approx 100 [\frac{GeV}{m}] \cdot \sqrt{n_0 [10^{18} cm^{-3}]}$$

Characteristic scale length of the accelerating field, i.e. the plasma wake, is the plasma wavelength,



$$\lambda_p(\mu m) \approx \frac{3.3 \cdot 10^{10}}{\sqrt{n_0(cm^{-3})}}$$



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Gas-filled Discharge Capillary

First EuPRAXIA plasma source enabling **1.1 GeV** (1.5 GV/m) in **40 cm** length capillary ($n = 10^{16}$ cm⁻³)



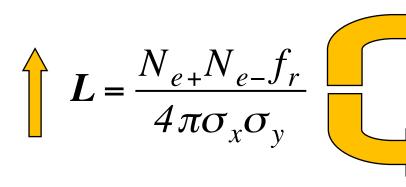
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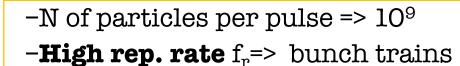


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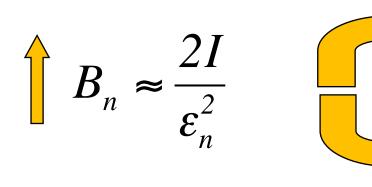


High Quality Beams





-Small spot size => **low emittance**



-**Short pulse** (ps to fs)

-Little spread in transverse momentum and angle => **low emittance**



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Towards the Applications

- Extraction from plasma accelerating module
 - plasma fields stronger than in conventional accelerators

$$G(MT/m) = \frac{F_r}{ecr} \approx 3n(10^{17} \ cm^{-3})$$

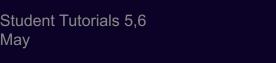
• beams experience huge transverse size variation when propagating from the plasma outer surface to the conventional focusing optics

$$\sigma_x \sim \mu m \qquad \qquad \sigma_{x'} \sim mrad$$

- the particle transverse motion becomes extremely sensitive to energy spread
- the beam angular divergence has to be reduced and the transverse spot size increased to limit the chromatic induced emittance degradation in vacuum

$$\varepsilon_n^2 = <\gamma >^2 (\sigma_E^2 \sigma_x^2 \sigma_{x'}^2 + \varepsilon^2) \approx <\gamma >^2 (\sigma_E^2 \sigma_{x'}^4 s^2 + \varepsilon^2)$$

M. Migliorati et al., PRST AB **16**, 011302 (2013)



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Active Plasma Lens Device

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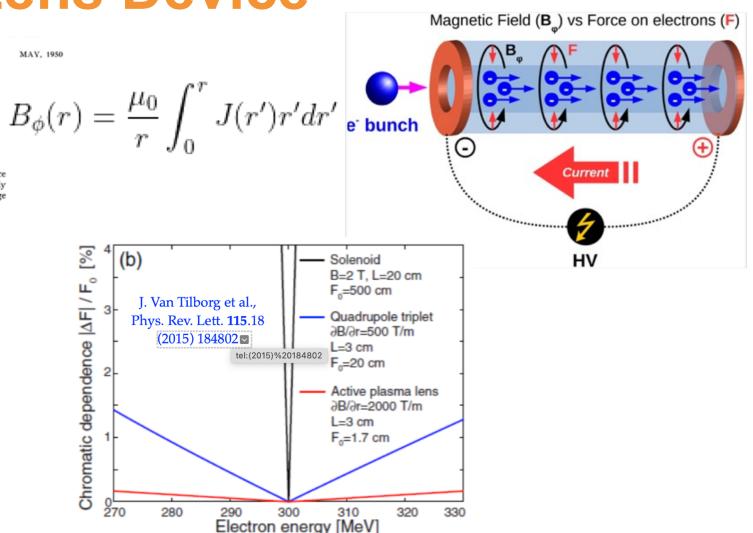
A Focusing Device for the External 350-Mev Proton Beam of the

184-Inch Cyclotron at Berkeley

W. K. H. PANOFSKY AND W. R. BAKER Department of Physics, Radiation Laboratory, University of California, Berkeley, California (Received January 11, 1950)

A device has been constructed to focus the external beam of the 184-in. cyclotron at Berkeley. The device consists of a cylindrical tube 4 ft. in length and 3 in. in diameter, which contains a longitudinal arc of nearly uniform current density. Such a device will focus any beam of cylindrical symmetry. Owing to the large power requirements of such a device it is applicable only to very short pulsed beams.

- Cylindrical symmetry
 - purely radial focusing effect
- Tunability
- Focusing strength $\propto \gamma^{-1}$
- High focusing gradient ~ kT/m
 - short focal length
 - weak chromaticity



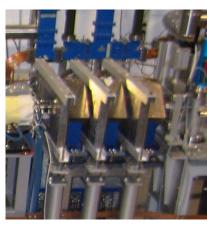


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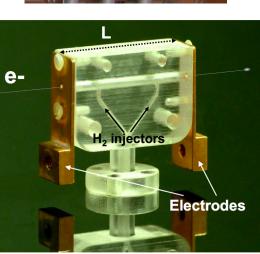


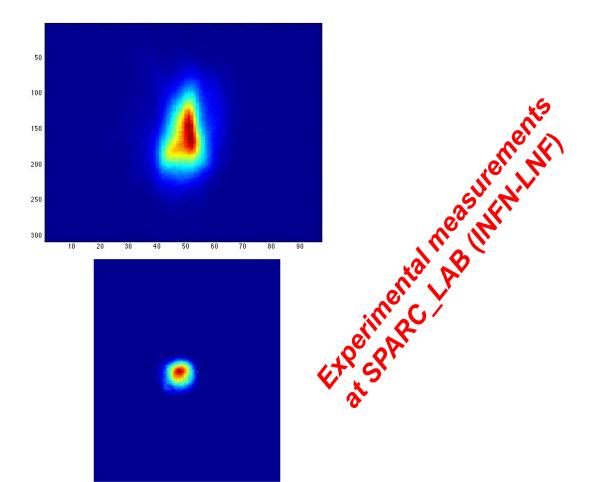
Plasma vs Convetional Focusing

Single Quadrupole Magnet











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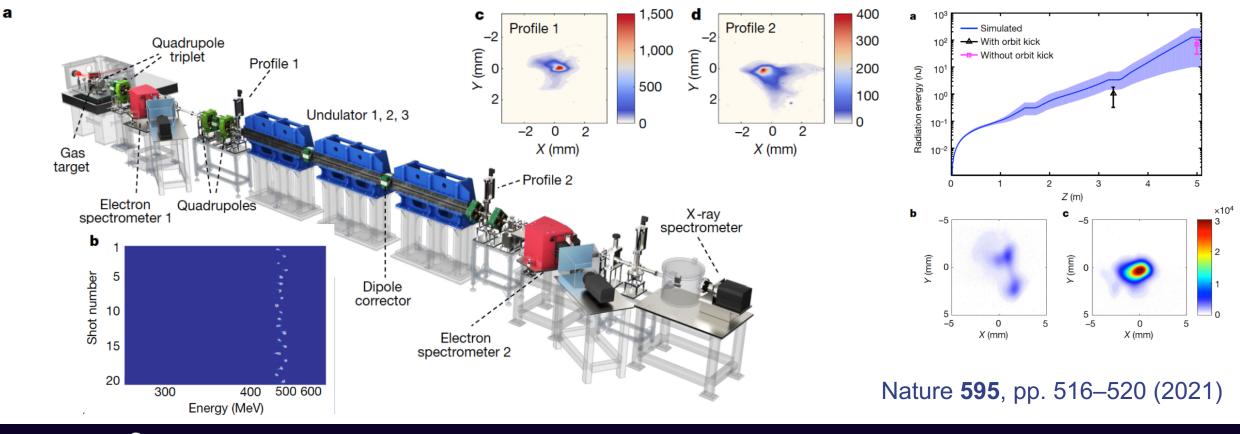
Solving Beam Quality Issues

- Several key challenges facing plasma-based facility operation under control
 - stabilization and control of the acceleration process (R. Pompili et al., Energy spread minimization in a beamdriven plasma wakefield accelerator, Nat. Physics 17, no. 4, pp. 499-503, 2021; Ferran-Pousa et al., PRL 123, 054801, 2019)
 - energy spread mitigation, normalized emittance preservation, overall stability gain
- Improvements still needed to guarantee continuous operation
 - sub-percent to sub-per-mille energy spread and **mm mrad to sub-mm mrad emittances**
 - increase of the repetition rate from a few hertz to kilohertz (R. D Arcy et al., Recovery time of a plasma-wakefield accelerator, Nature 603, pp. 58–62, 2022)
 - improvement of shot-to-shot stability





First SASE FEL lasing from a laser-driven plasma accelerator at SIOM (Shangai)

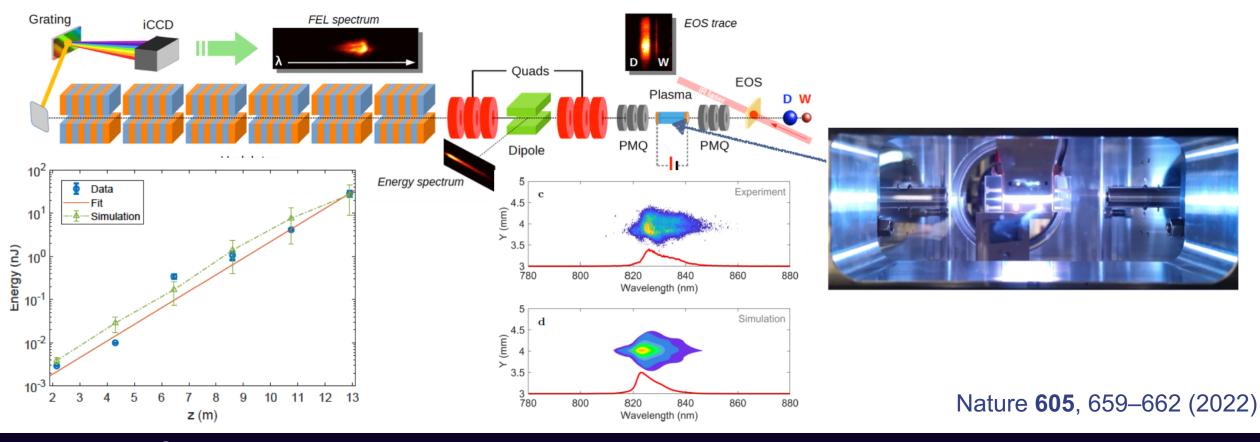




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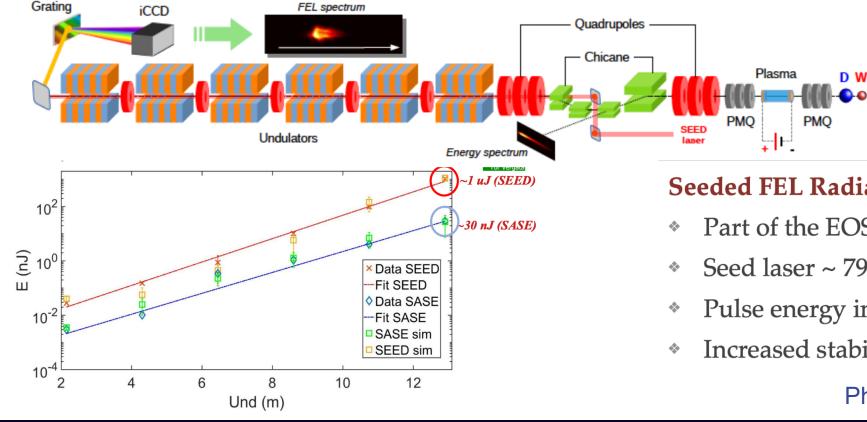
First SASE FEL lasing from a beam-driven plasma accelerator at SPARC_LAB (INFN, Frascati)





First Seeded FEL lasing from a beam-driven plasma accelerator at **SPARC LAB** (INFN, Frascati)

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Seeded FEL Radiation

- Part of the EOS laser used as seed
- Seed laser ~ 795 nm, FEL peak 827 nm
- Pulse energy increase from 30 nJ up to 1 μ m
- Increased stability of emitted radiation

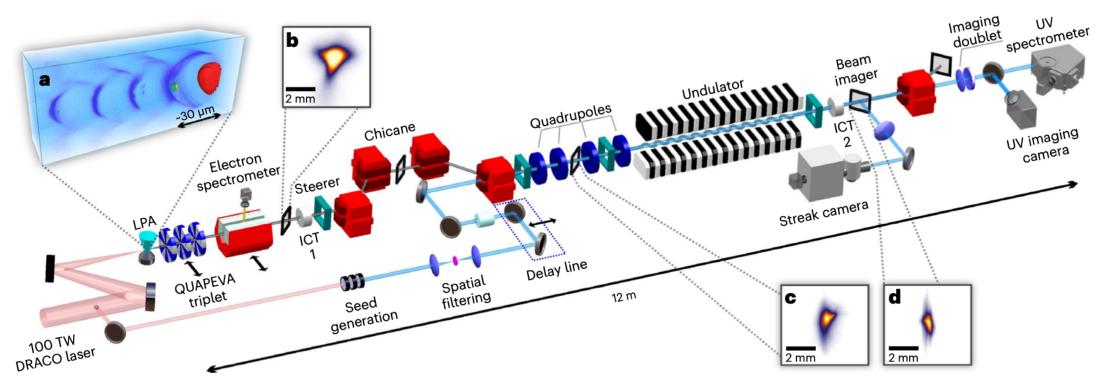
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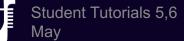
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First Lasing of the COXINEL Seeded FEL driven by the HZDR Laser Plasma Accelerator (Dresden)

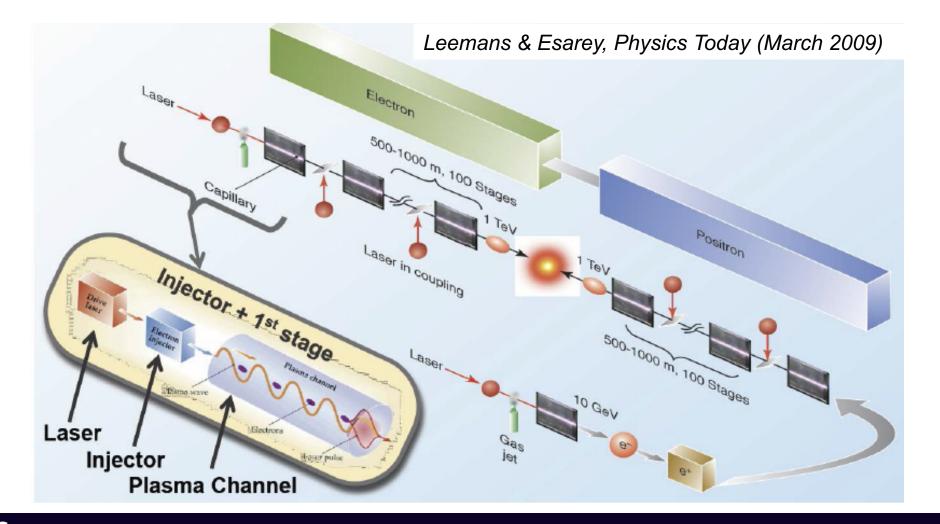


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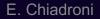


LWFA-based Linear Collider





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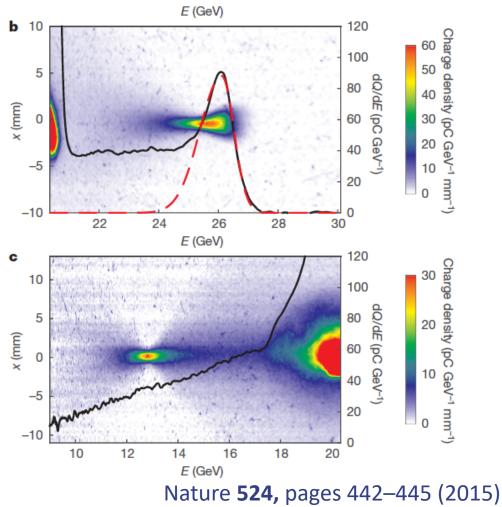




Acceleration of Positrons in Plasma Wakefield

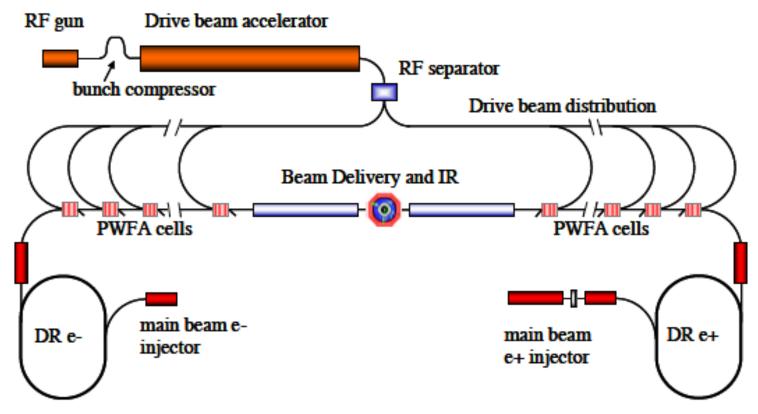
Multi-gigaelectronvolt acceleration of positrons in a self-loaded plasma wakefield

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PWFA-based Linear Collider



CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OF THE DRIVE BEAM FOR A PWFA-LC*

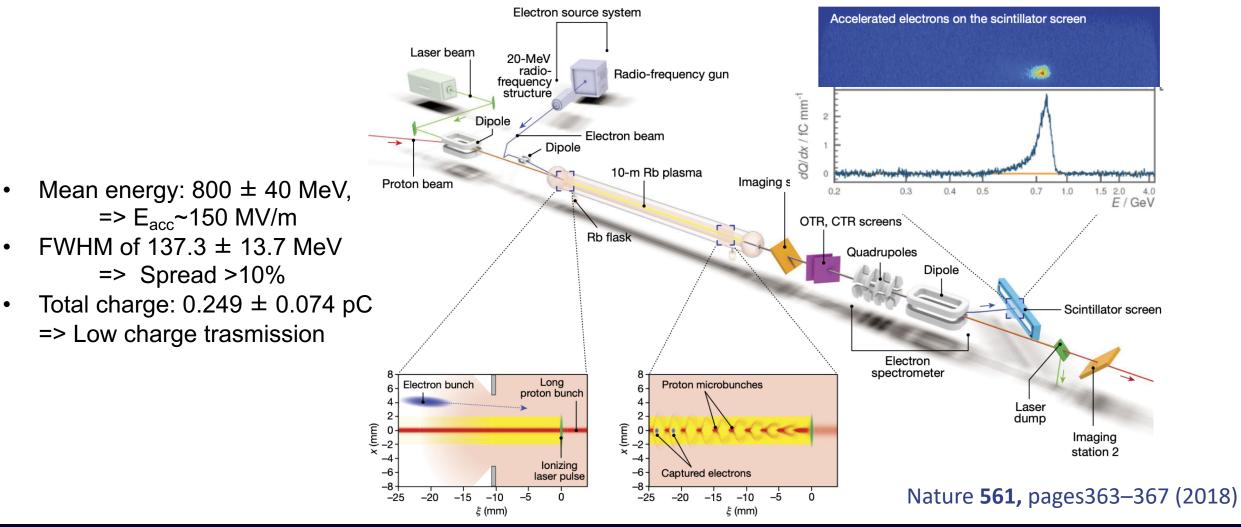
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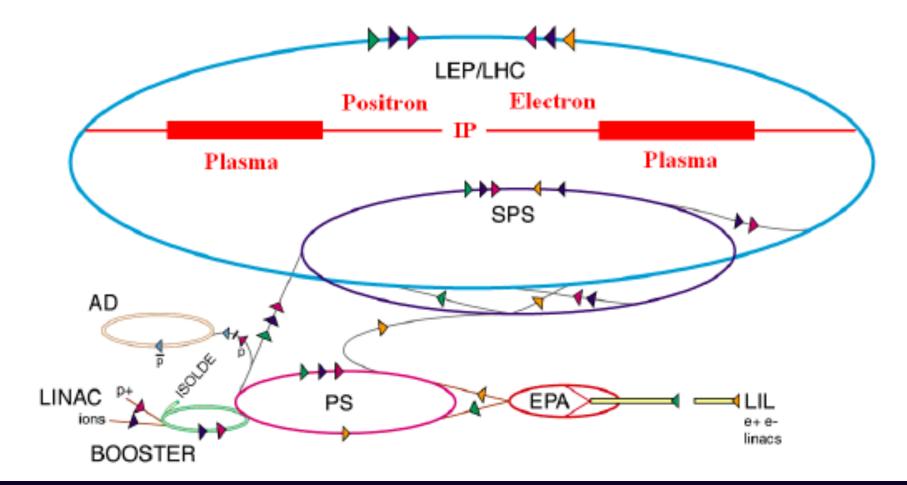
Proton-driven PWFA: AWAKE







Idea of a Linear Collider based on a Modulated p+ driven PWFA





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Conclusions

- Plasma-based acceleration techniques have demonstrated accelerating gradients up to 3 orders of magnitudes beyond presently used RF technologies
- Plasma-based acceleration techniques have provided solid feasibility proofs of FEL lasing under different configurations
 - Successful efforts on improving beam quality
- The R&D now concentrates on **beam stability, staging and continuous operation**, as necessary steps towards the realization of compact plasma-based accelerator facilities
 - A major milestone is an operational, 1 GeV compact accelerator
 - Challenges in high repetition rate
- Plasma-based, ultra-high gradient accelerators therefore open the realistic vision of very compact accelerators for scientific, commercial and medical applications





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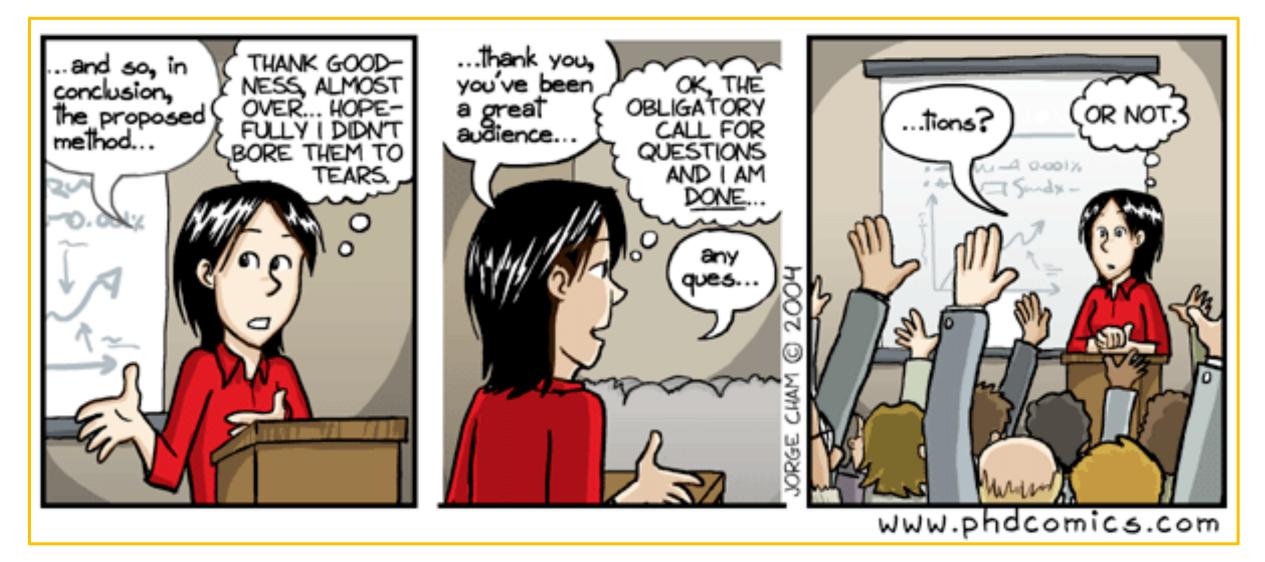
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