

# Introduction to Particle Accelerators

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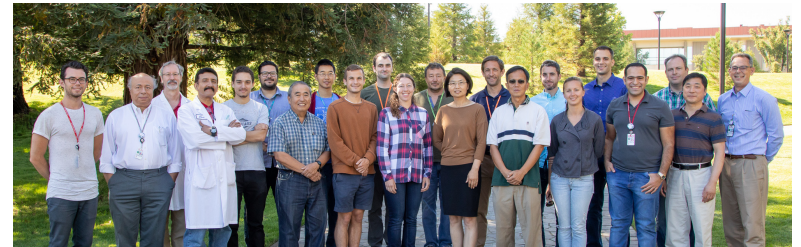
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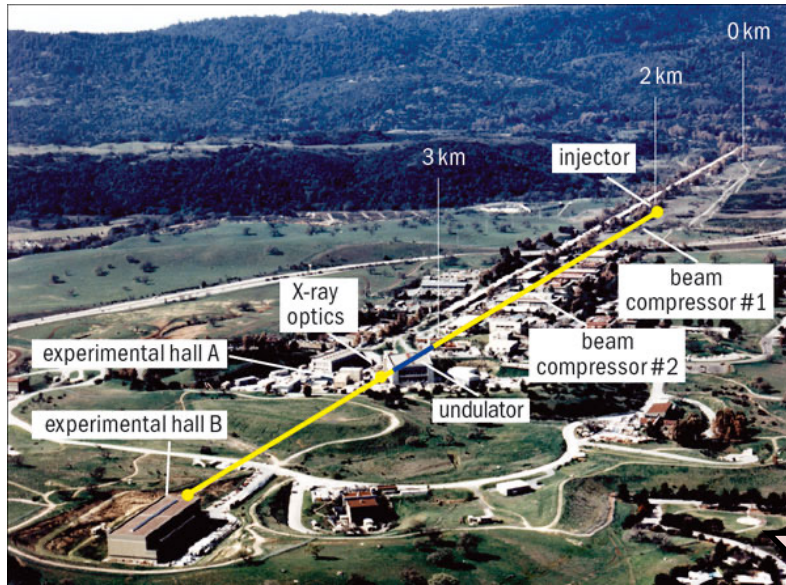
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- Future Directions



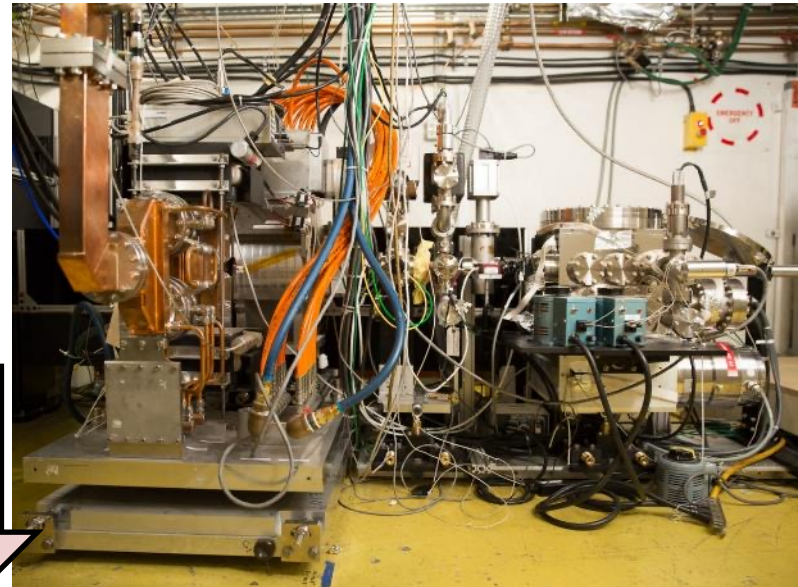
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# Accelerator Technology Drives Scientific Discovery

Coherent X-rays from LCLS (2009)



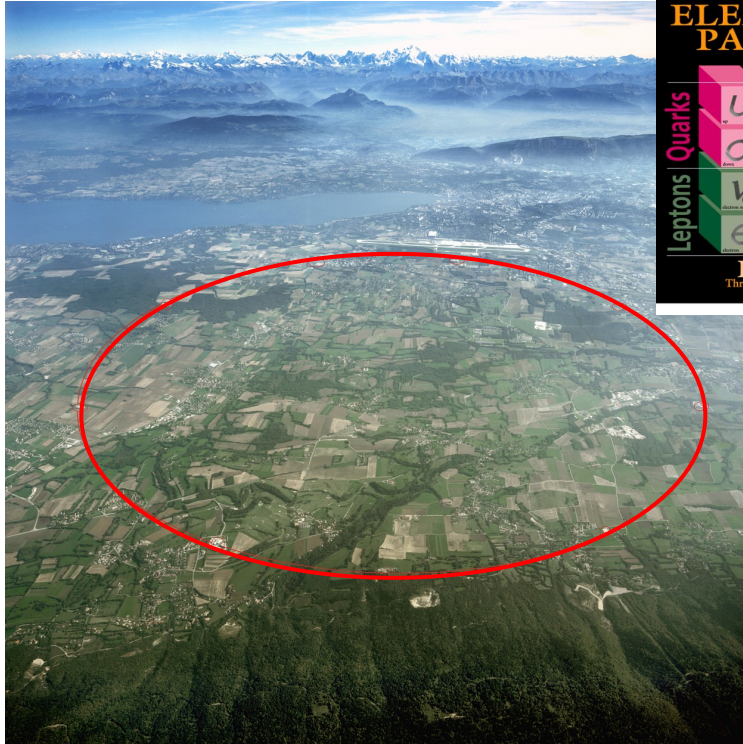
Ultrafast Electron Diffraction (2015)



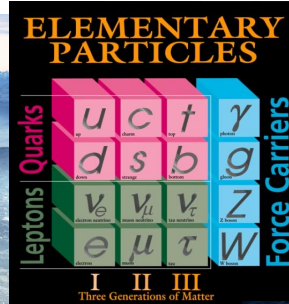
How do we develop the next generation of accelerators and what new science does this enable?

# RF Accelerators have been essential instruments of scientific discoveries for decades

Experimental validation of the Standard Model of Particle Physics



27 km LHC @ CERN



## FOUR FORCES

- E&M
- Strong
- Weak
- Gravity



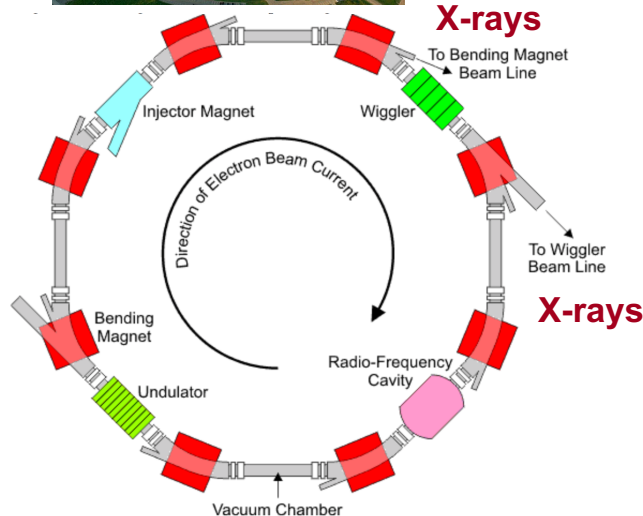
SLAC "2 Mile" Accelerator / Collider

# Accelerators have advanced other fields of science, in addition to particle physics

Particles traveling along a circular path emit synchrotron radiation



$$\text{Power radiated} \sim k \times \text{Energy}^4 / R^2$$

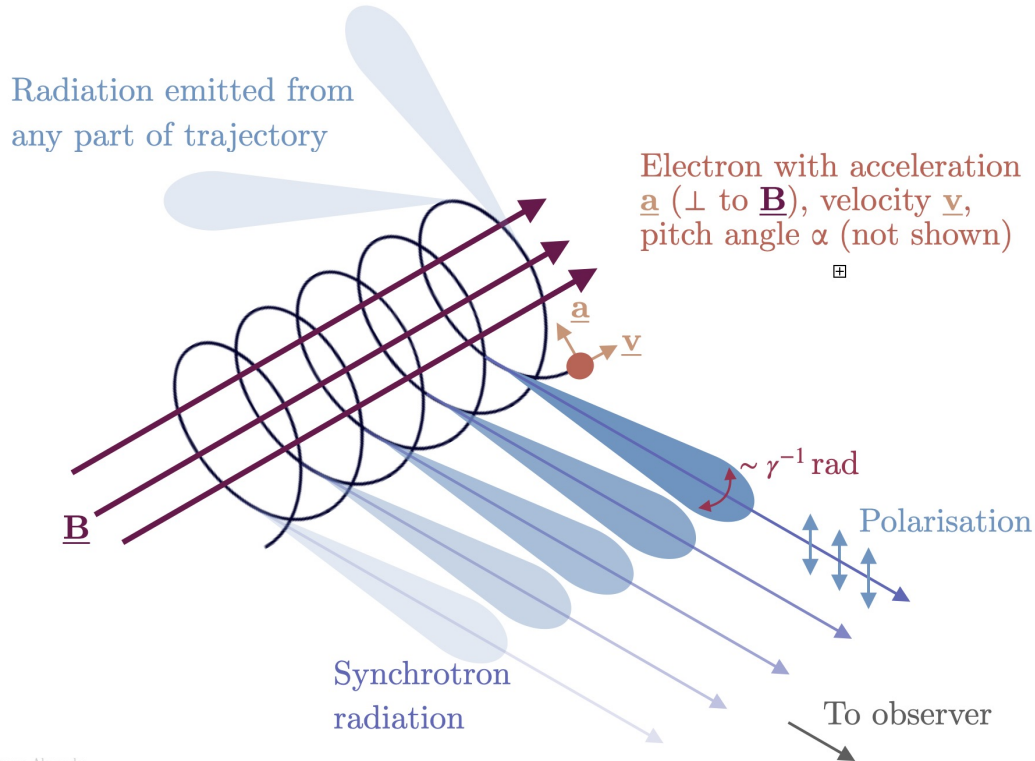


- X-rays for research in biology, chemistry, materials science
- US DOE operates 4 national synchrotron user facilities that are fully subscribed
- Stellar record of discoveries
- Radiation is incoherent and peak brightness is low. (more like a dim flashlight)

Synchrotron is a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation x-ray light source, ca. 1970s



# Synchrotron Radiation

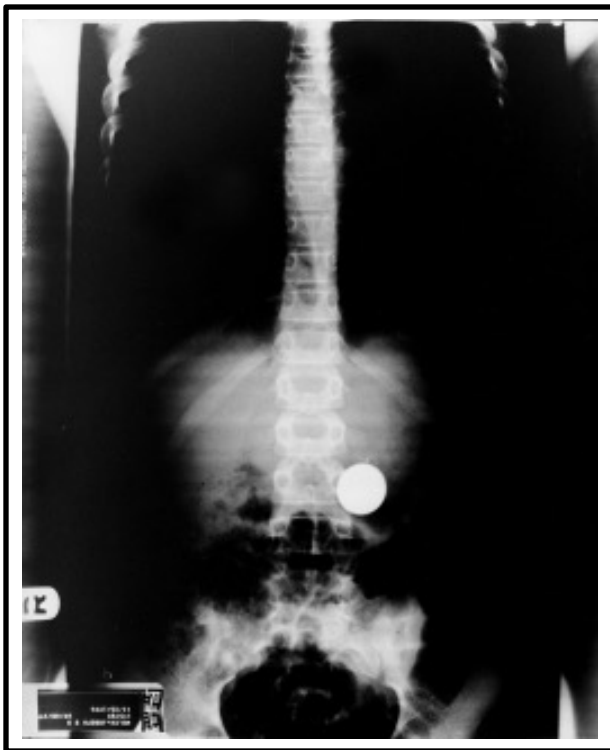


$$P_\gamma = \frac{1}{6\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2 a^2}{c^3} \gamma^4$$

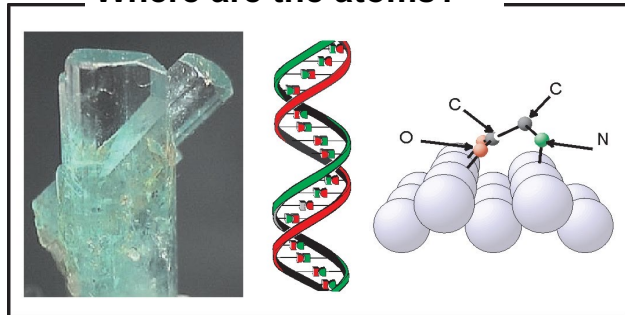
$\epsilon_0$  is the vacuum permittivity,  
 $q$  is the particle charge,  
 $a$  is the magnitude of the acceleration,  
 $c$  is the speed of light,  
 $\gamma$  is the Lorentz factor.

# Why X-Rays and how do we push the frontier of x-ray science?

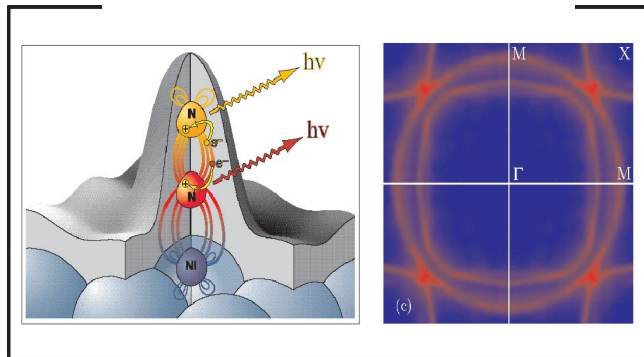
## See through matter



## Where are the atoms?



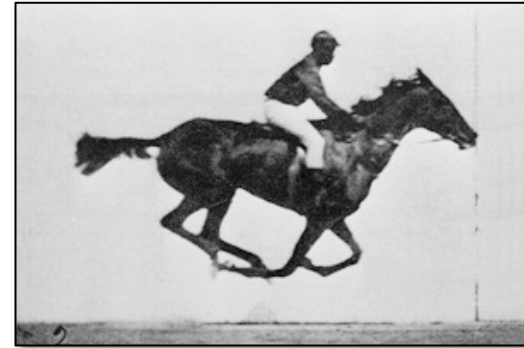
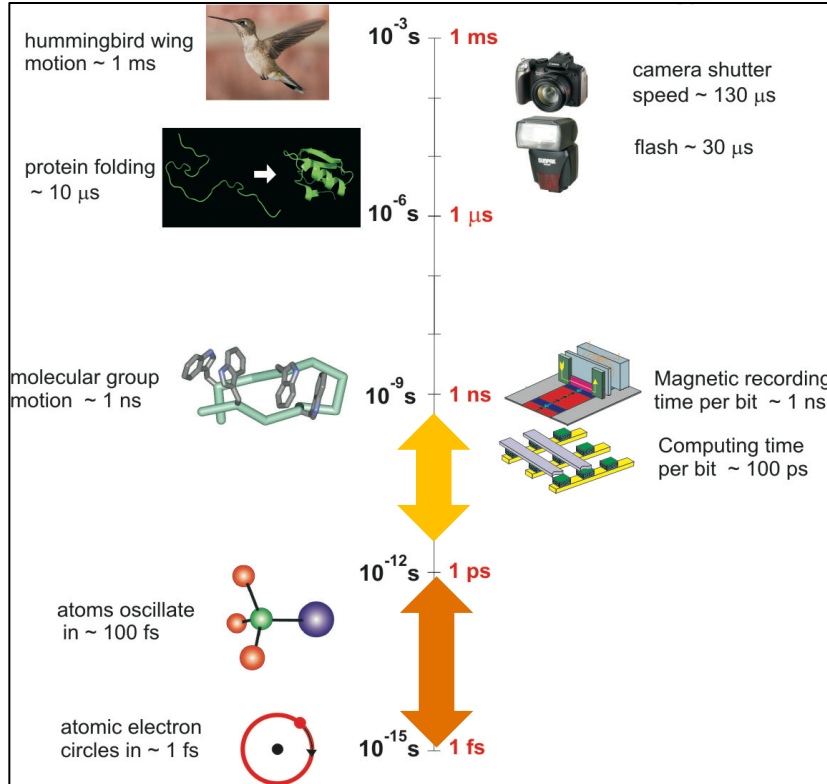
## Where are the electrons?



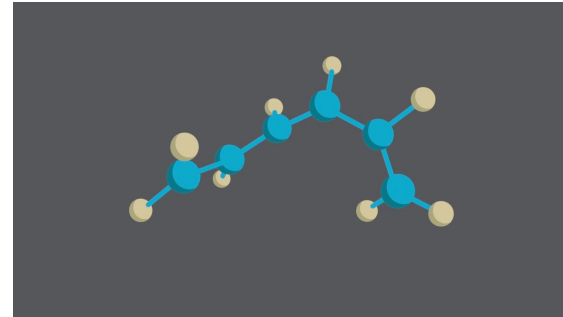
# Ultra-fast and Ultra-small: The New Frontier

## Nature

## Technology



1 msec shutter speed



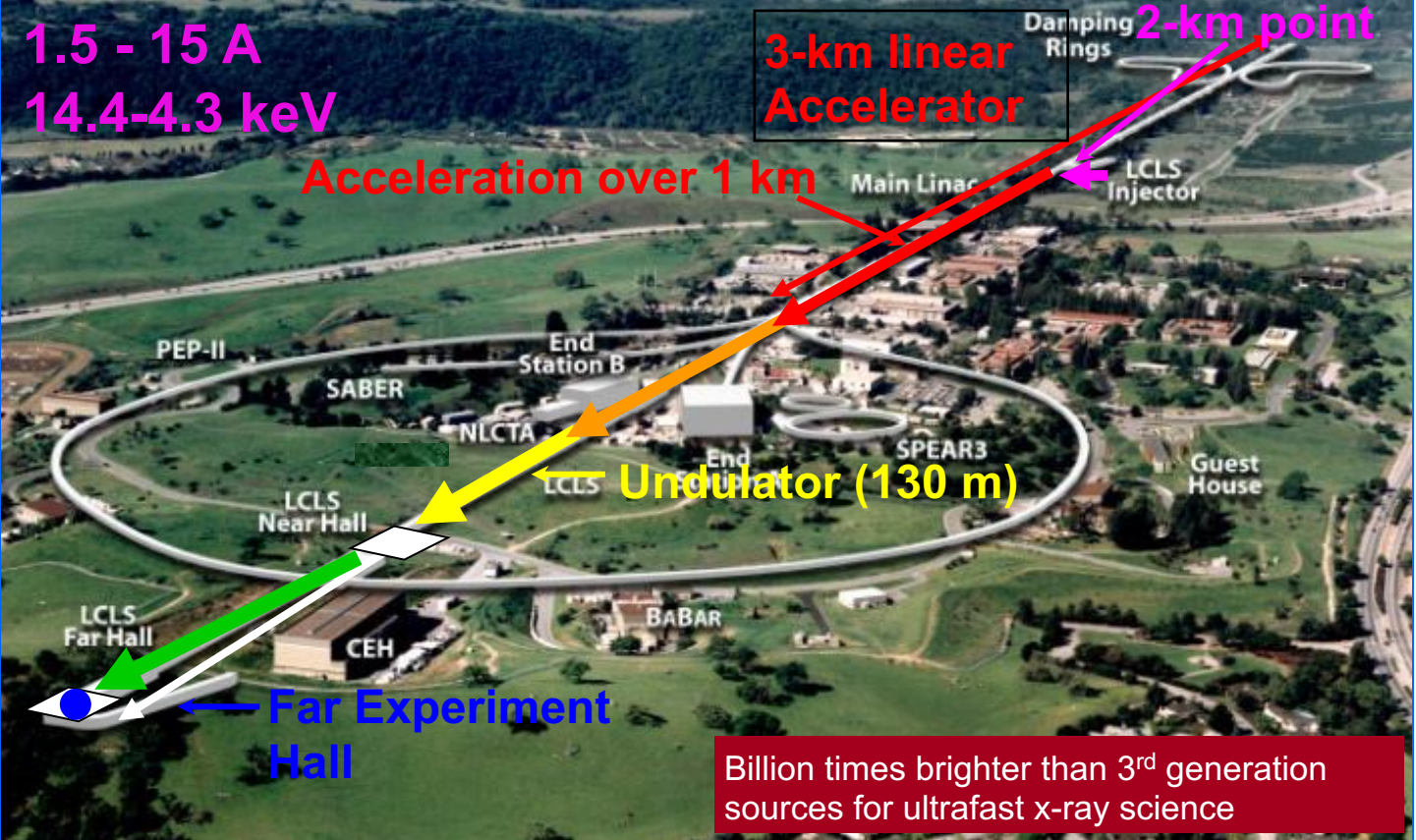
10-100 femtosecond shutter speed

# Linac Coherent Light Source at SLAC

SLAC

LCLS – first x-ray free-electron laser (XFEL) using last 1-km of existing 3-km linac

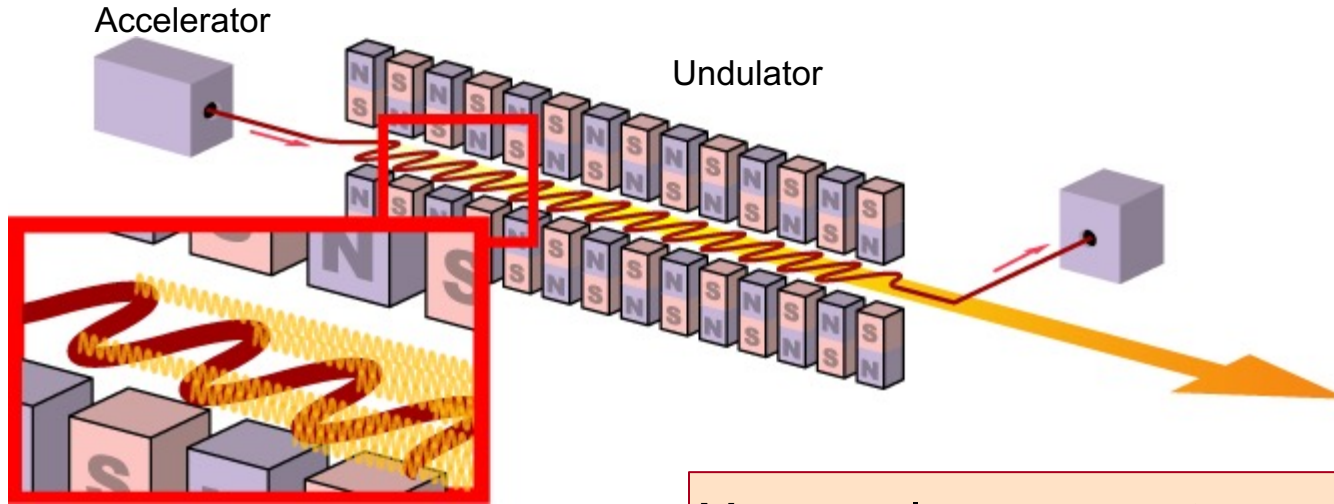
1.5 - 15 A  
14.4-4.3 keV



Billion times brighter than 3<sup>rd</sup> generation sources for ultrafast x-ray science



# A Free Electron Laser is a High Energy (5-12 GeV) Electron Linac Coupled to an Undulator Magnet

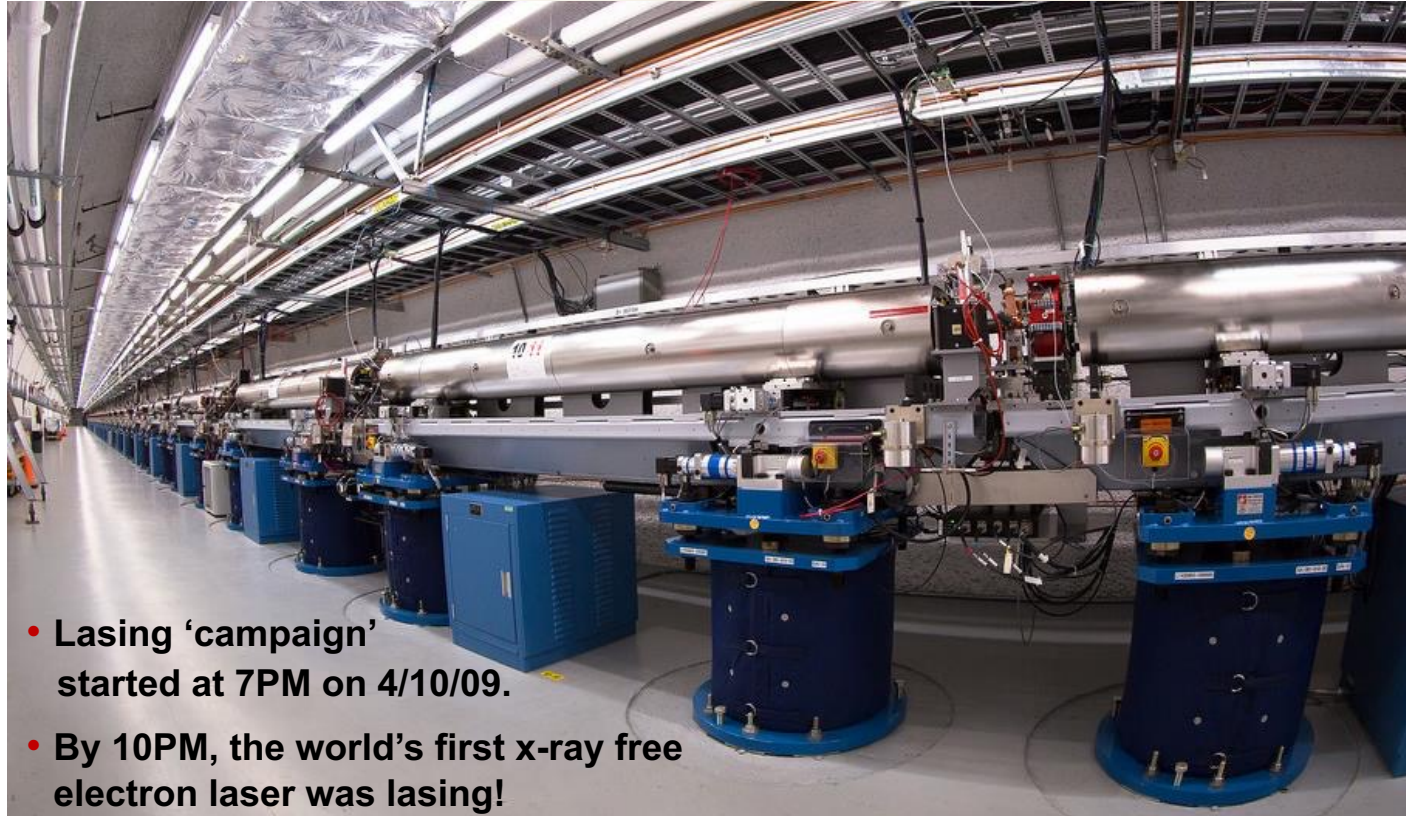


- Free relativistic electrons in bunch radiate in periodic H-field
- Amplification through electron ordering in its own radiation

## X-ray pulse parameters

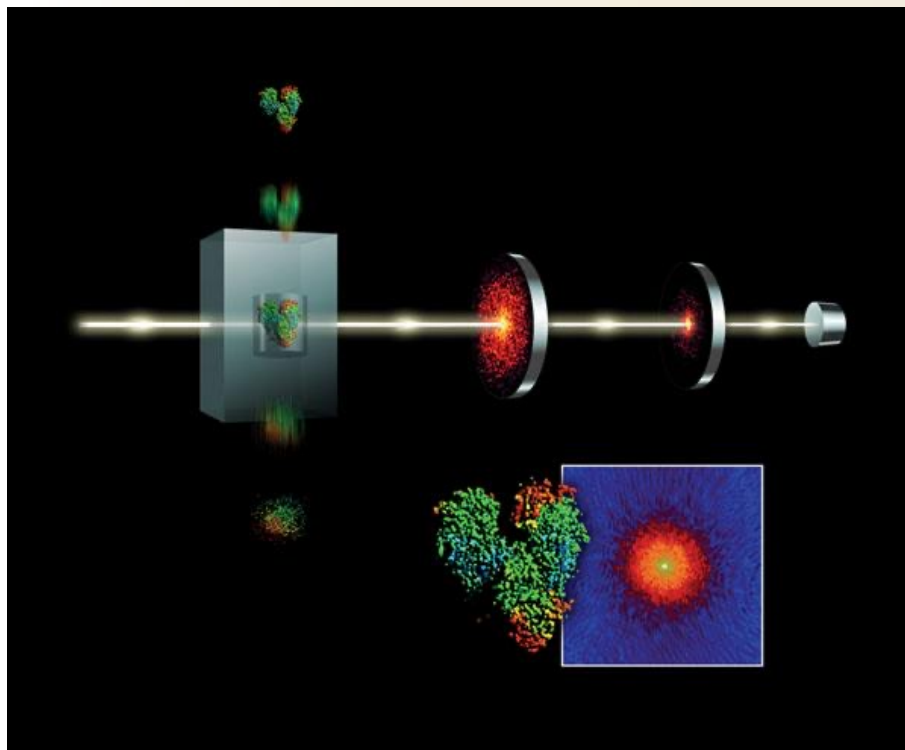
- 1-100 femtoseconds
- Tunable energy to 20 keV
- Angstrom wavelength
- 120 Hz now, 1 MHz LCLS-II

# Inside View: LCLS Undulator Tunnel



- **Lasing ‘campaign’ started at 7PM on 4/10/09.**
- **By 10PM, the world’s first x-ray free electron laser was lasing!**
- **First experiments started 10/1/09**

# How Molecular Imaging with X-rays Works

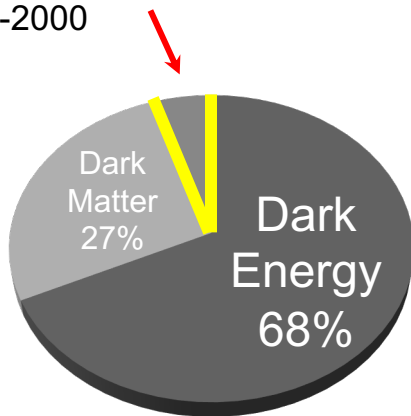


X-ray “camera” with shutter speed of 1-10 femtoseconds ( $10^{-15}$ )  
See atoms and electrons moving on their natural timescale to watch a chemical reaction  
atom by atom

# So where do we go next?

In **Particle Physics** the frontier is electron-positron collisions  $> 1$  TeV

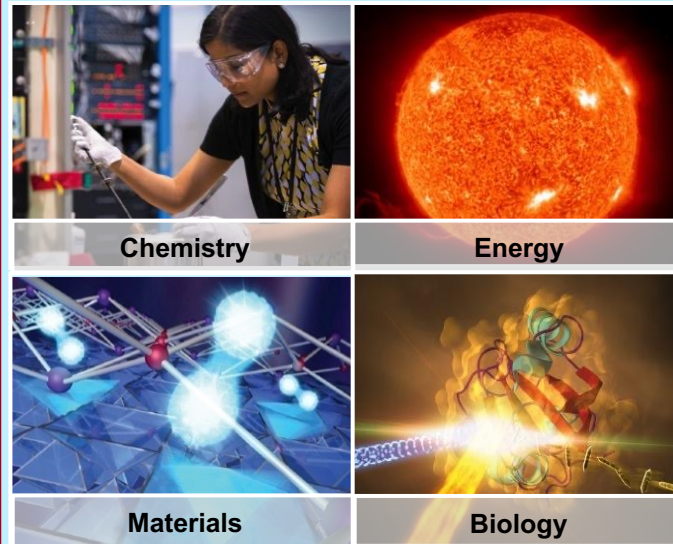
The 5% studied with particle accelerators 1960-2000



**High Impact Applications** for electron & ion accelerators & RF technology

- Medicine
- Energy & environment
- Security and defense
- Communications, radar & remote sensing

In **X-ray Science** the next light source will be  $> \$1$  B and the beam time will likely be oversubscribed.





# RF Accelerator Technology Got its Start With Key Technology Developments in the decades Flanking WWII

Use of RF resonant cavities for particle acceleration



First 3-foot section of MARK I electron linear accelerator at Stanford (William Hansen and three of his students) 1947.

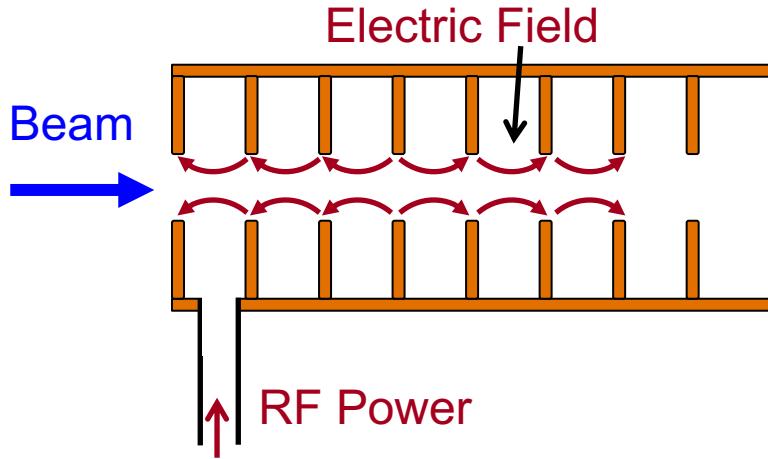
Powerful RF sources



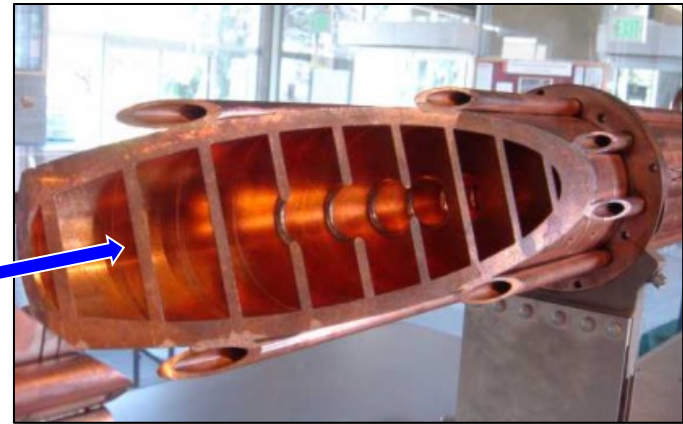
250 MHz klystron used for the U.S. Army blind landing system before World War II, Stanford University, 1939.

# How an Radiofrequency Linear Accelerator Works

## Disk Loaded Waveguide Structure



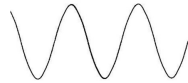
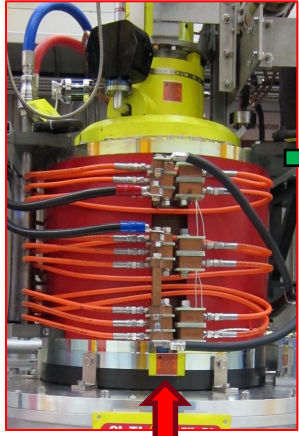
Section of the SLAC (2 Mile)  
accelerator structure - 2.856 GHz



Typical gradients  $\sim 15\text{-}20$  MeV/m

# Accelerator Systems for Making Energetic Particles and Radiation

RF Power Source

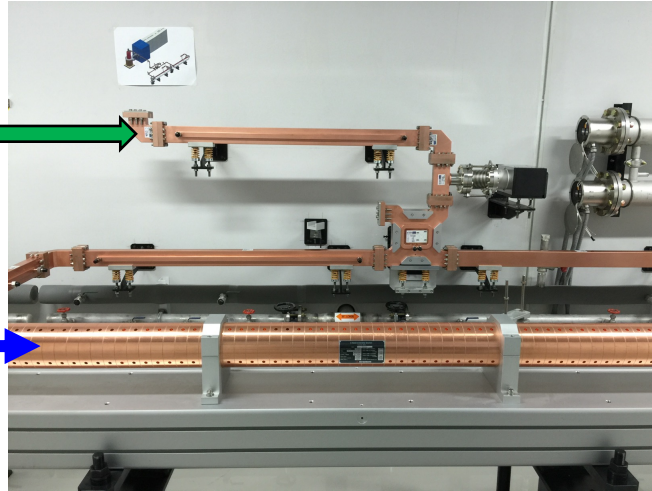


Particle source



Power supply/modulator

Accelerator



Particle beam:  
 $e^-$ ,  $e^+$ ,  $p$ ,  $d^+$ , ions

Interaction phenomena  
producing particles or  
photons- optical,  $\gamma$ , x-  
rays



Particle/Photon Radiation

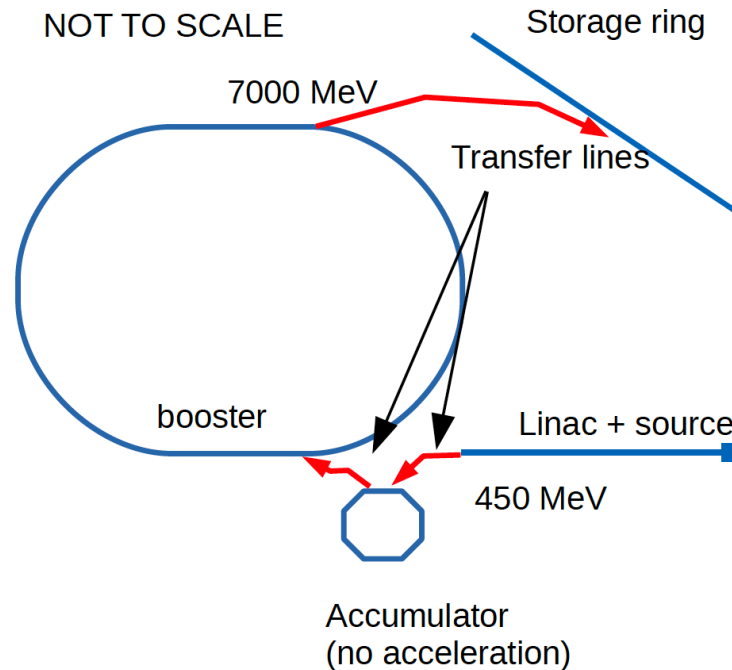
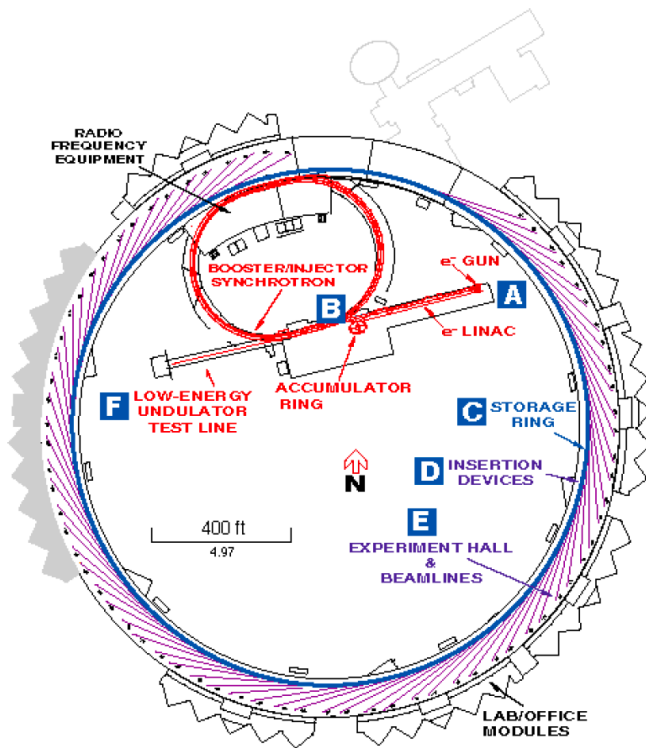
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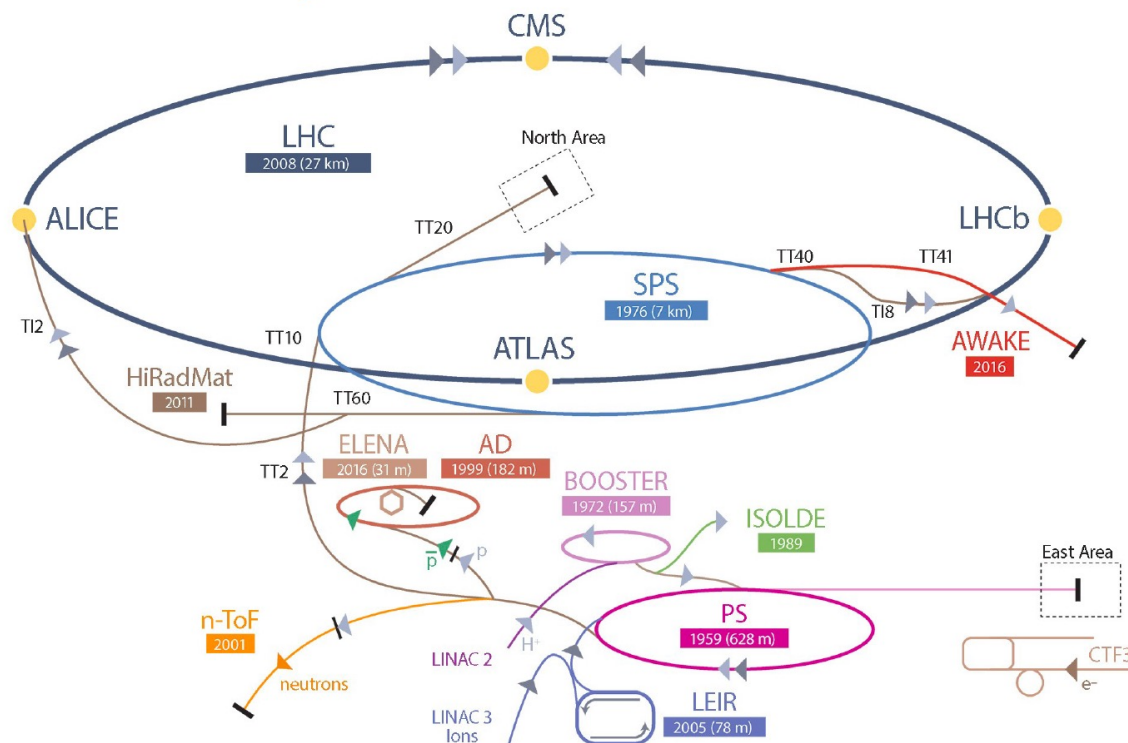
- X-ray synchrotron light sources contain many of the key components of accelerator facilities



# Schematic View of the Advanced Photon Source

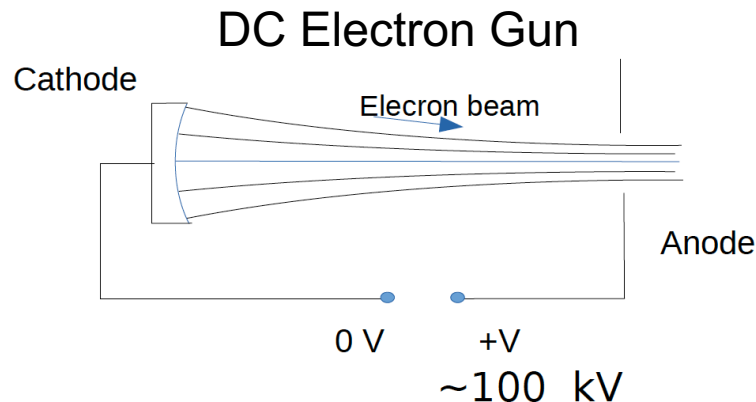


# Comparison with LHC Injection

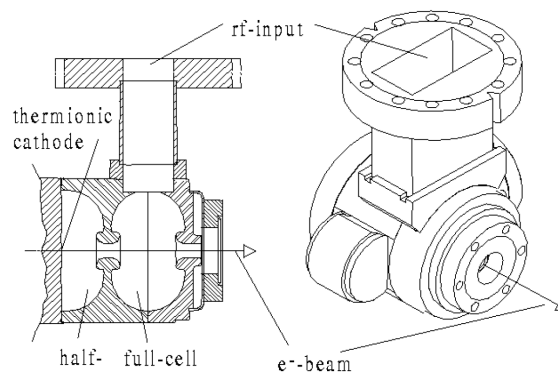


# Particle (Electron) Sources

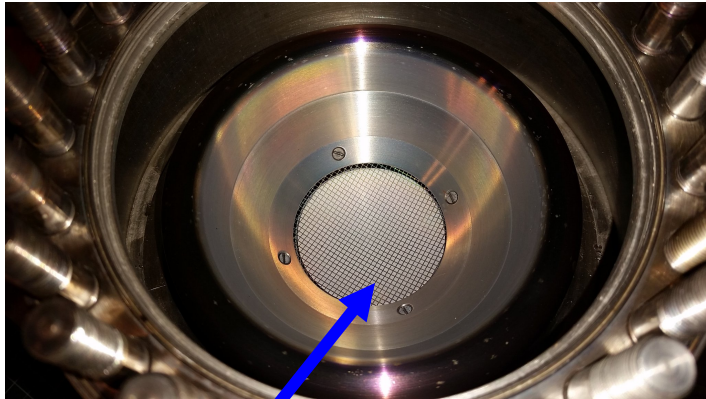
- Electrons emitted by providing enough free energy to overcome binding energy
- Thermionic, field and/or photo emission
- Need electric fields to accelerate particles away from the surface



### RF Electron Gun

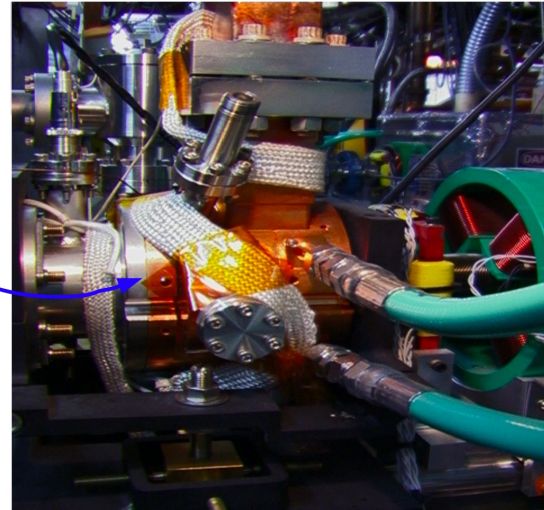


## DC Electron Gun



Emitter  
heated to  
1000 °C

## RF Electron Gun

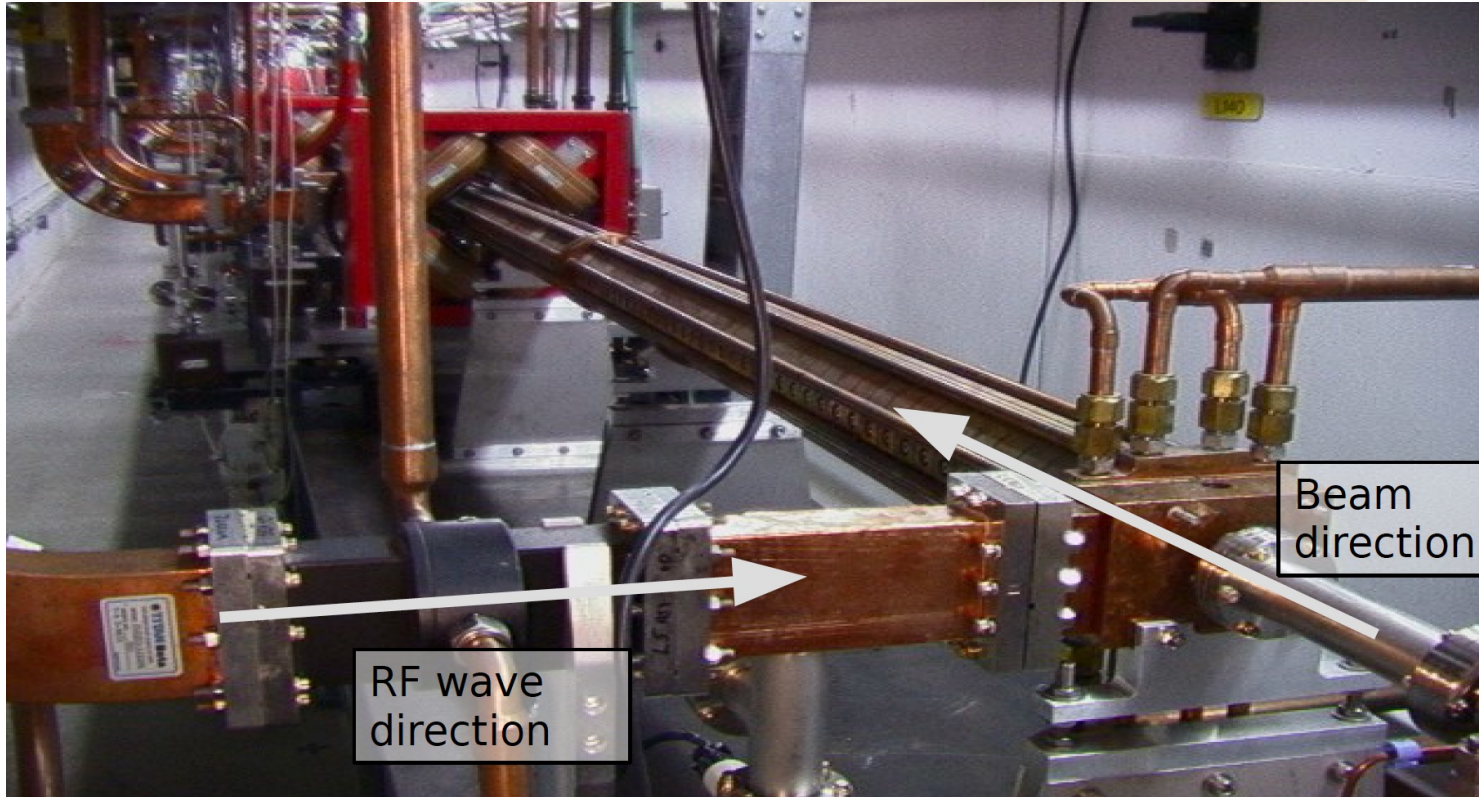


cathode  
somewhere  
inside

cooling hose  
that you see  
on most  
accelerator  
components

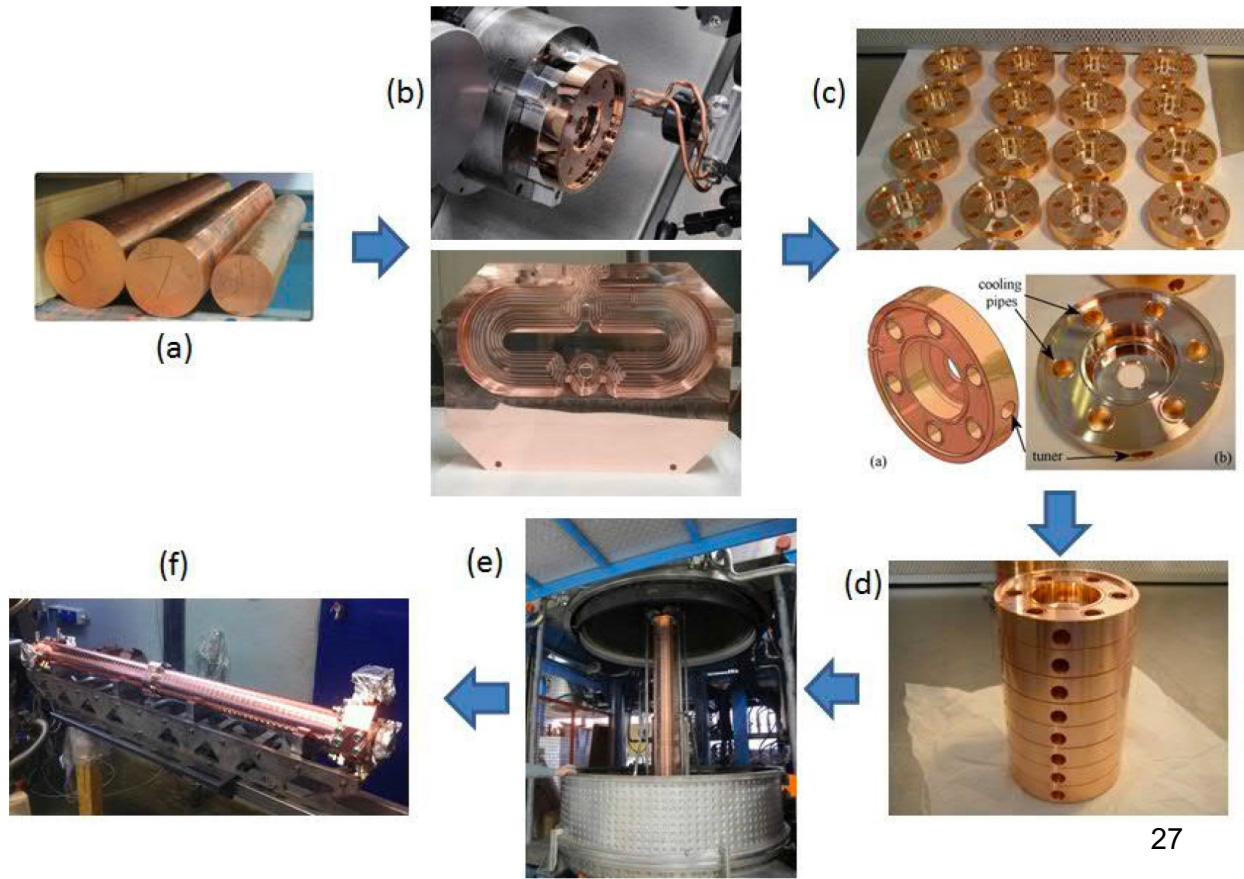


# RF Linear Accelerator Increases Beam Energy



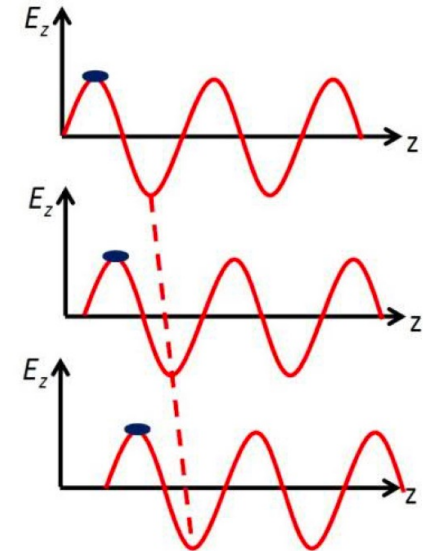
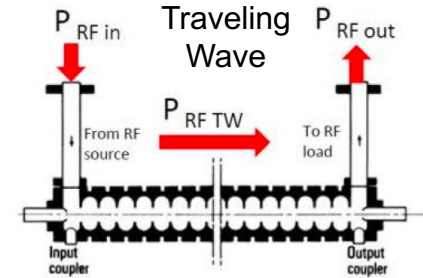
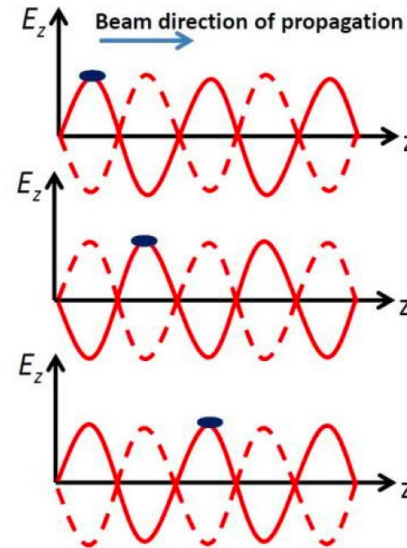
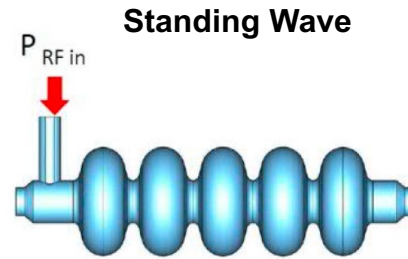
# Fabrication of RF Accelerators

(a) OFHC forged copper;  
(b) realization of cells  
by lathes; (c) single cells  
machined and ready to be  
stacked; (d) cells piled up  
before brazing; (e) the  
structure in a vacuum or  
hydrogen furnace; (f) the  
brazed structure.



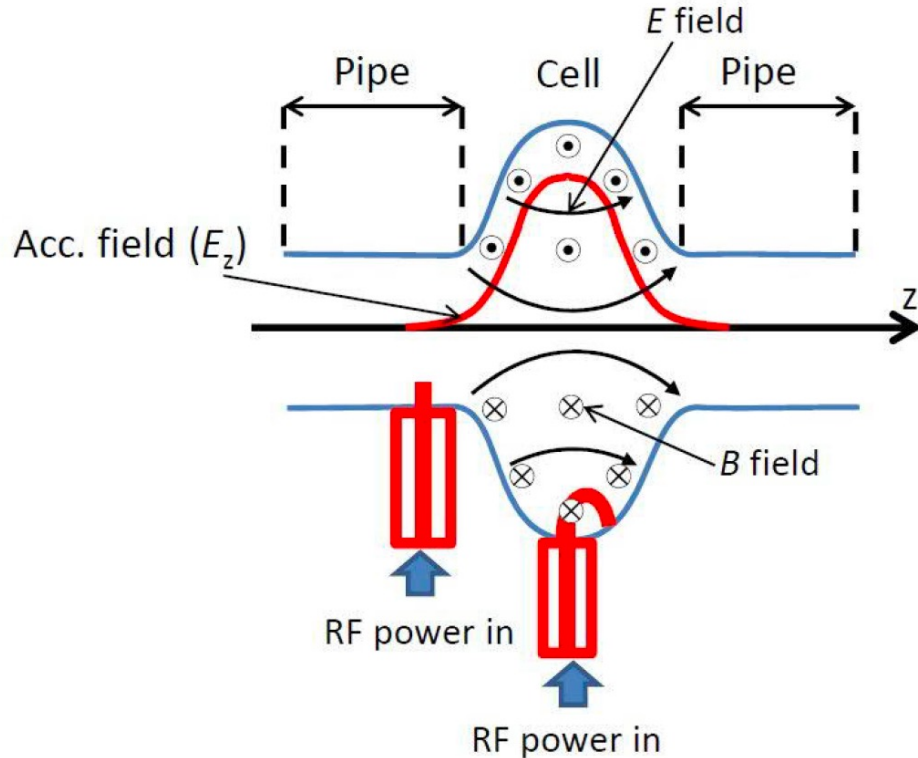
# Electromagnetic Fields Used to Accelerate Particles

- Phase of electromagnetic wave needs to be controlled to match the particles velocity
- Standing Wave - fields in cavity alternate polarity in cavities and oscillate
- Traveling Wave – fields propagate with a phase velocity that matches particle velocity





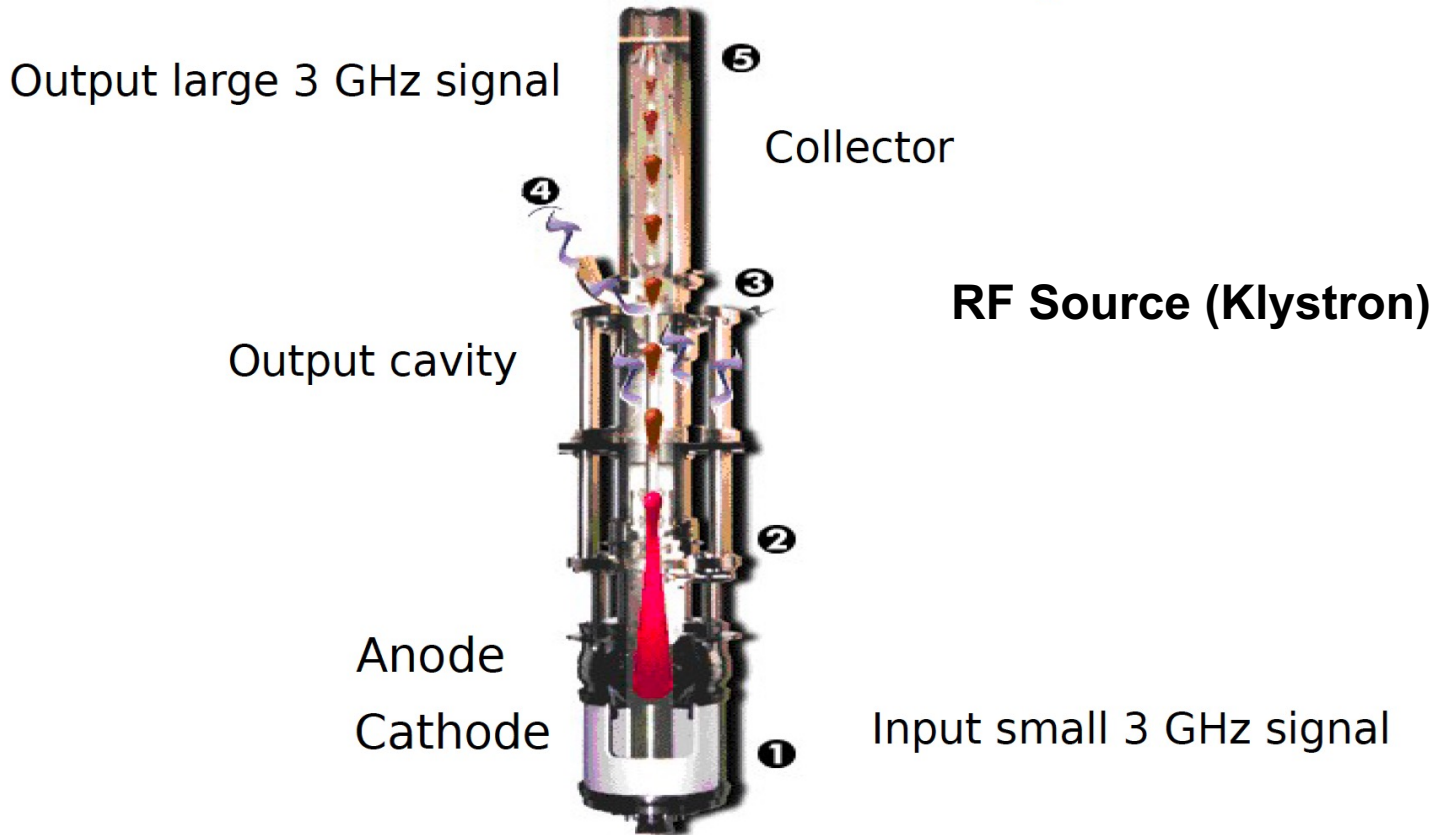
# Axial Electric Field Increases Kinetic Energy



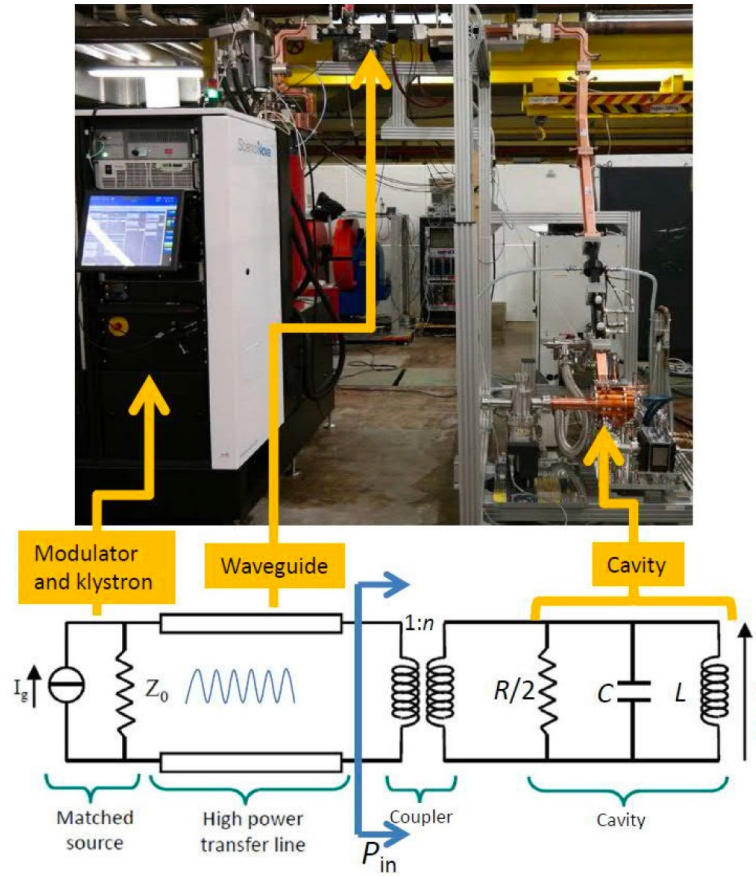
$$E_z(z, t) = E_{\text{RF}}(z) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi f_{\text{RF}}}{\omega_{\text{RF}}} t + \varphi\right) = \text{Real}\left[\tilde{E}_z(z) e^{j\omega_{\text{RF}} t}\right]$$

$$V_{\text{acc}} = \left| \int_{\text{cavity}} \tilde{E}_z(z) e^{j\omega_{\text{RF}} \frac{z}{v}} dz \right|$$

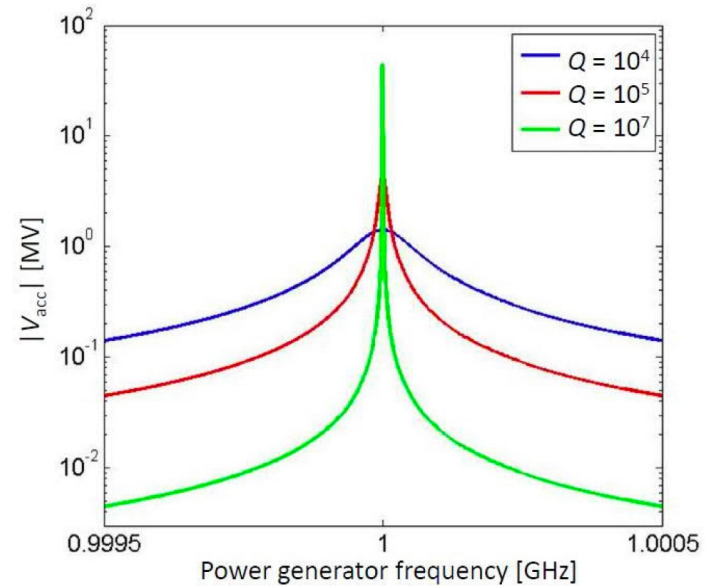
# RF Sources Power the Accelerator



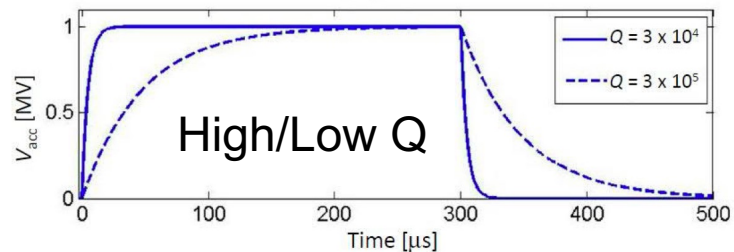
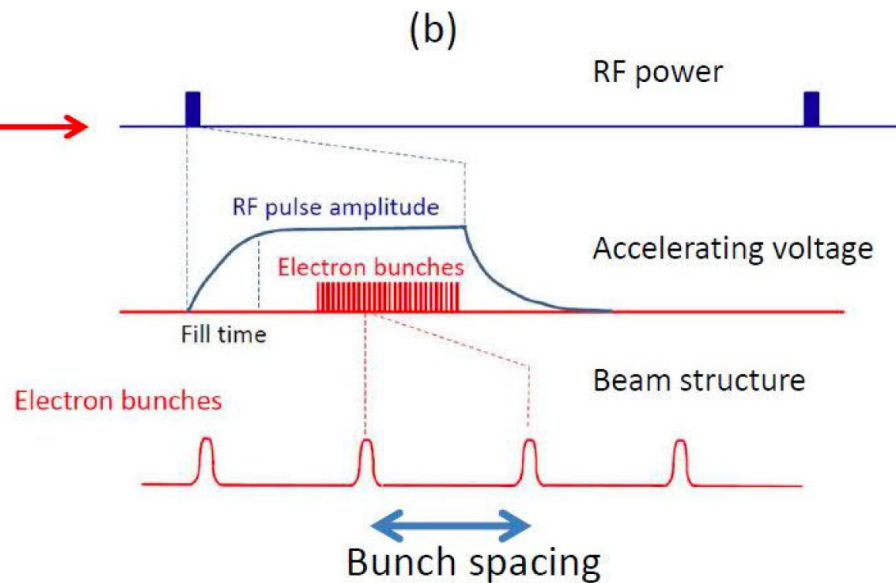
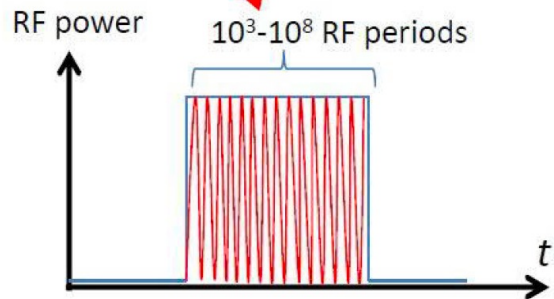
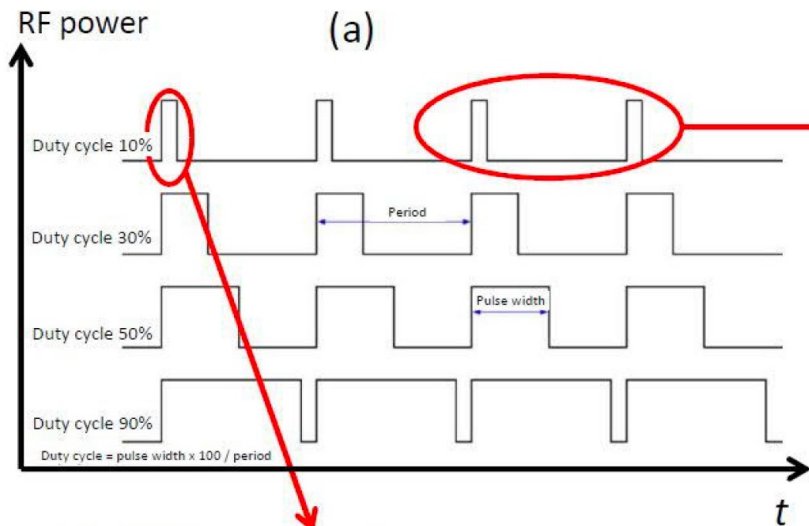
# Circuit Model for Powering Accelerators



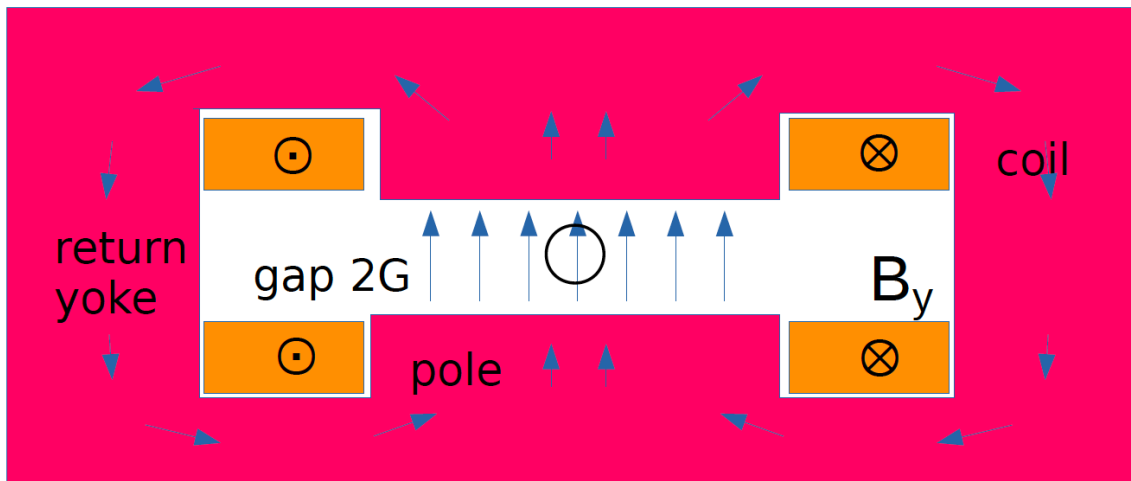
- High quality factor increases energy gain for fixed power



# RF and Beam Pulse Structure



# Magnets Guide and Transport the Beam

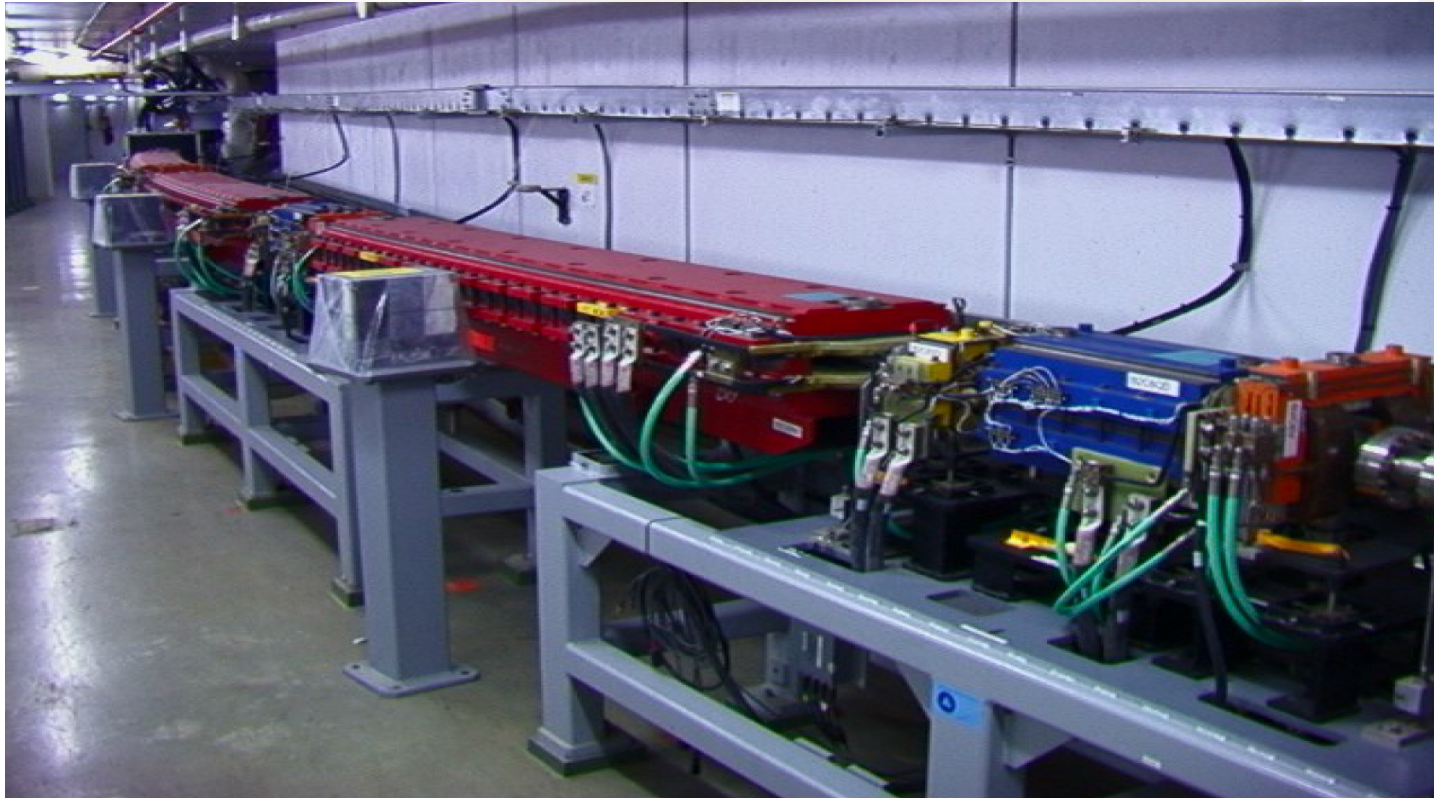


○ Beam-pipe in center of symmetry of magnet aperture

$$B_y [\text{T}] = \frac{0.4 \pi}{10^4} \frac{I [\text{A-turn}]}{G [\text{cm}]}$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho [\text{m}]} = 0.3 \frac{B_y [\text{T}]}{\beta E [\text{GeV}]}$$

# Bending Magnets in the APS Ring

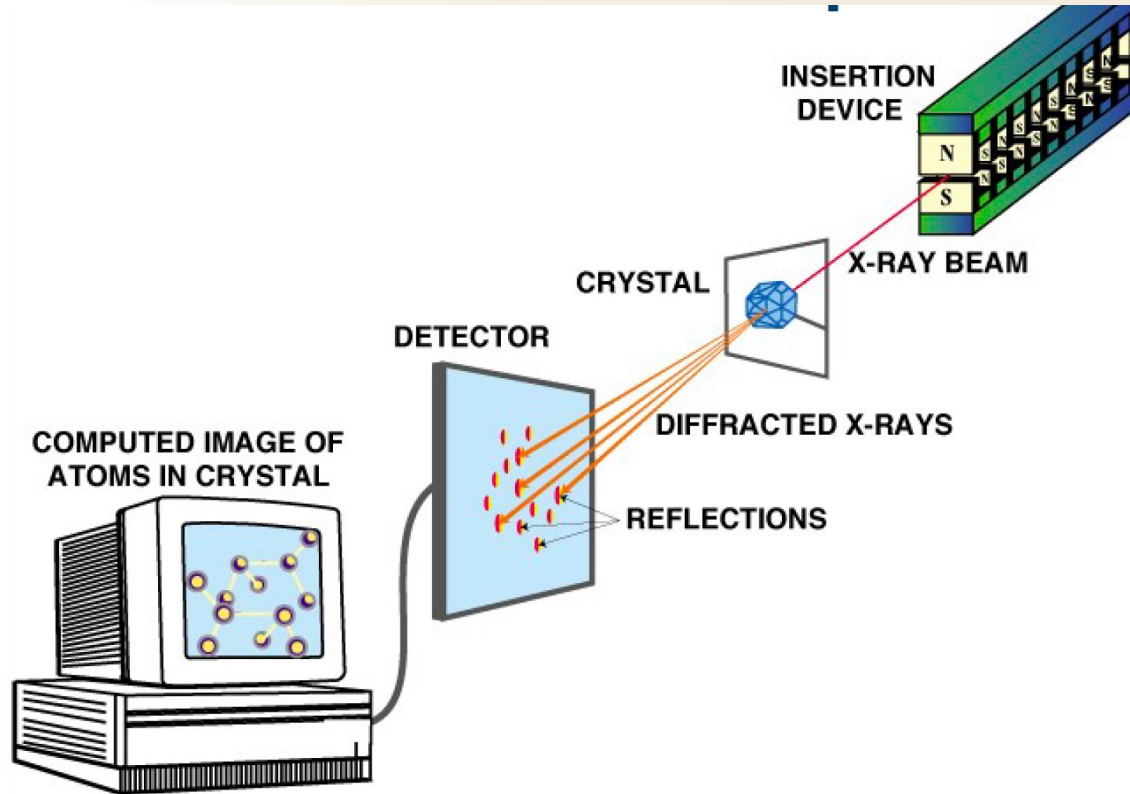




# APS Magnets Awaiting Installation

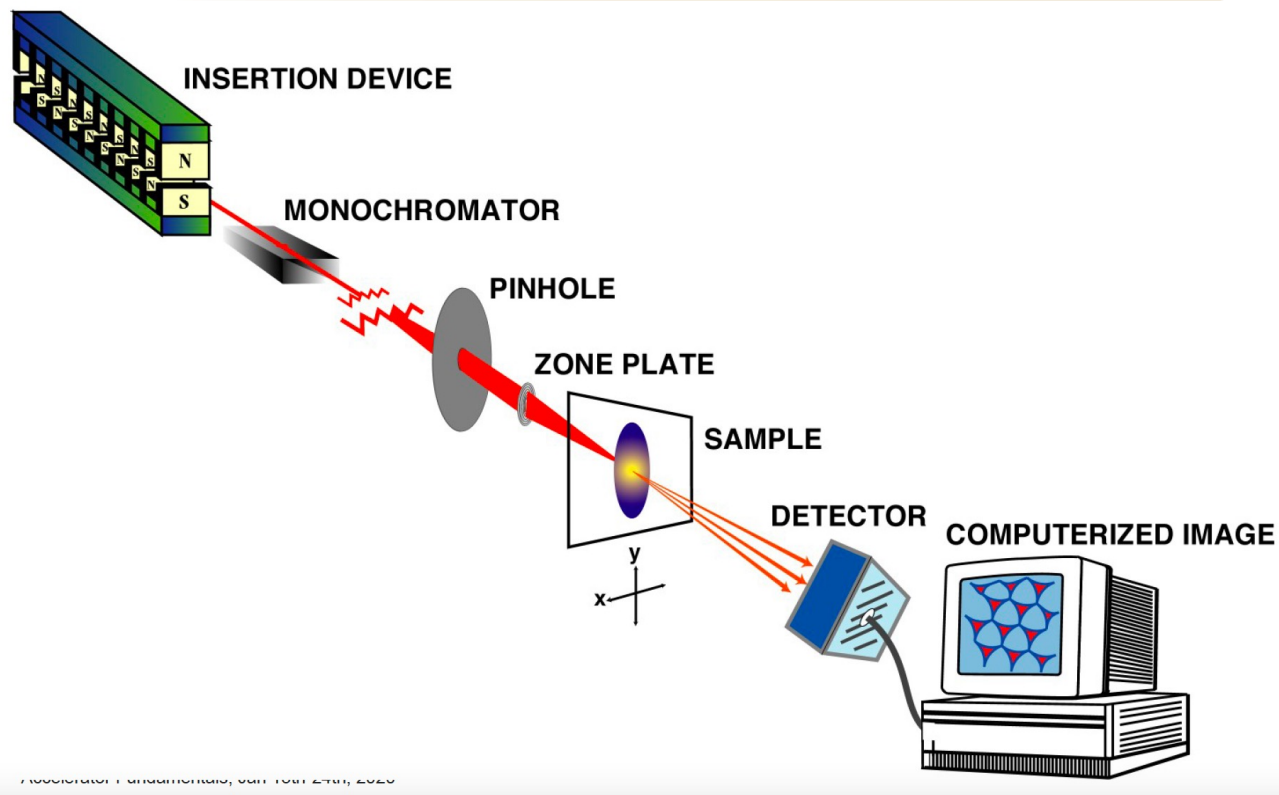


# Applications Side – X-ray Diffraction





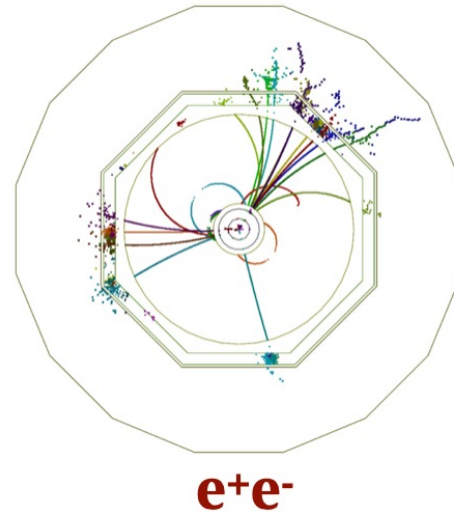
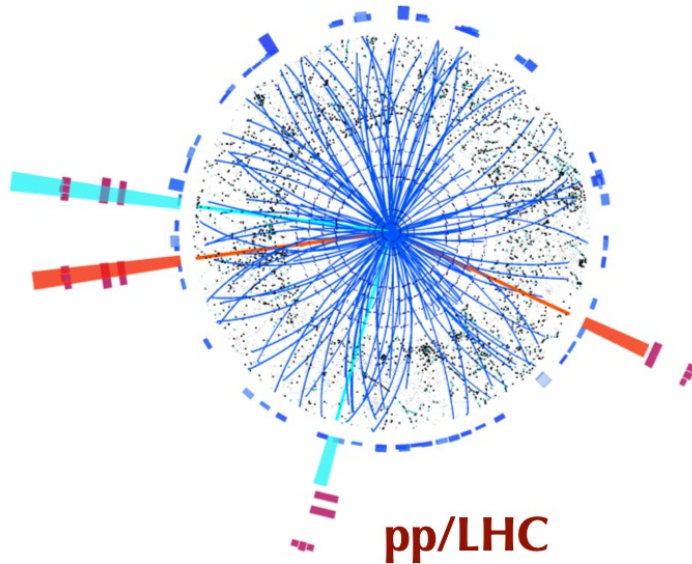
# Applications Side – X-ray Imaging



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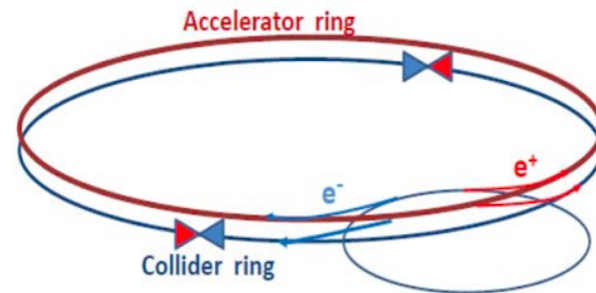
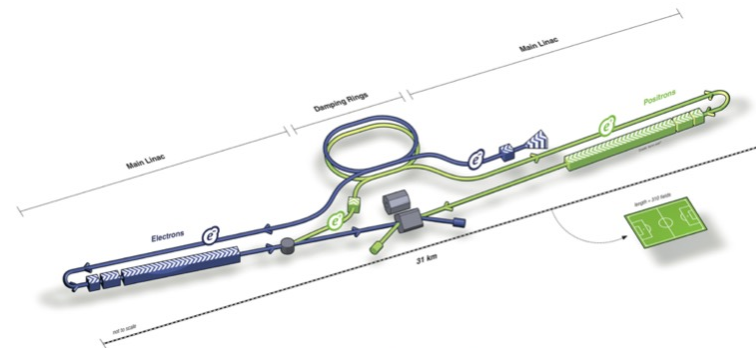
# Applications Side – Colliders

- HEP community is pushing for  $e^+e^-$  collider to study the Higgs
- Initial state well defined & polarization  $\Rightarrow$  High-precision measurements
- Higgs bosons appear in 1 in 100 events  $\Rightarrow$  Clean experimental environment and trigger-less readout



# Linear vs. Circular

- **Linear**  $e^+e^-$  colliders: ILC, C<sup>3</sup>, CLIC
  - Reach higher energies ( $\sim$  TeV), and can use
  - Relatively low radiation
  - Collisions in bunch trains
- **Circular**  $e^+e^-$  colliders: FCC-ee, CEPC
  - Highest luminosity collider at Z/WW/Zh
    - limited by synchrotron radiation above 350–400 GeV
  - Beam continues to circulate after collision



# Collider Proposals....

THE TOHOKU REGION OF JAPAN

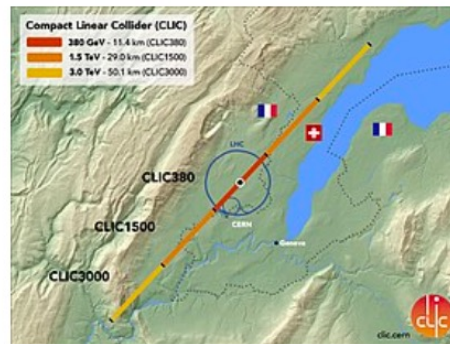


250/500 GeV



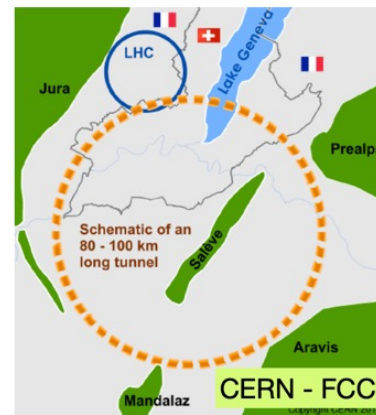
CEPC 240 GeV

CLIC 380/1500/3000 GeV



250/550 GeV

... > TeV



FCC-ee  
240/365 GeV

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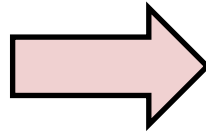
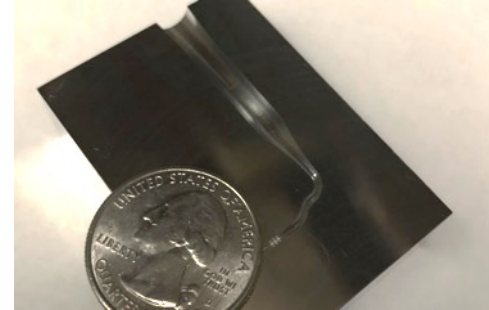


# Next Generation Accelerators in Pursuit of Compactness, Efficiency and Performance

**S-band Accelerators**  
30 MeV/m



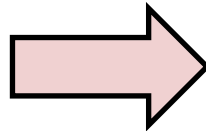
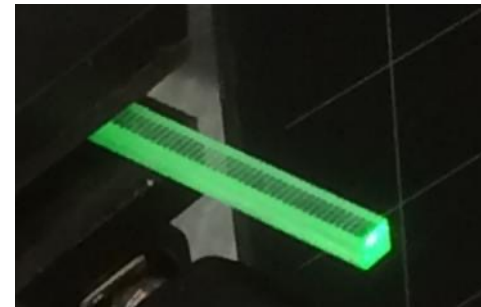
**mm-Wave/THz Accelerators**  
GeV/m



**Klystron Source**  
10s MW,  $\mu$ s,  $\sim$ 3 GHz



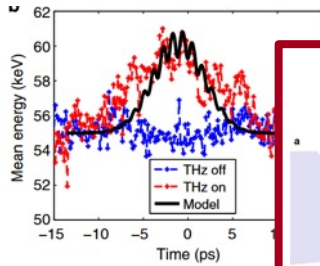
**mm-Wave/THz Sources**  
MW, ns,  $\sim$ 0.3 THz



# Rapid Development of THz Accelerator Technology

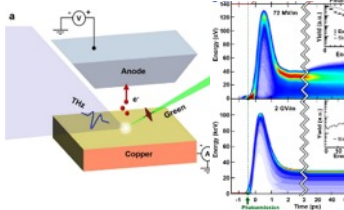
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## Acceleration

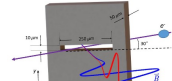


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## Photoinjectors



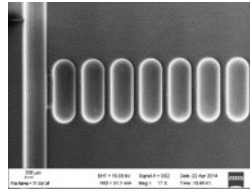
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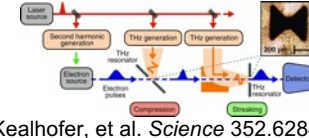


## Beam-Driven GV/m Fields



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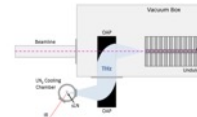
## Growing International Community:



Kealhofer, et al. *Science* 352.6284 (2016)



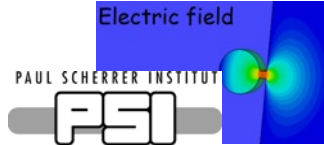
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## Deflectors and <1 fs Timing



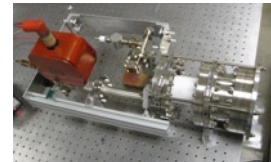
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## Toward Externally Driven GeV/m Accel.



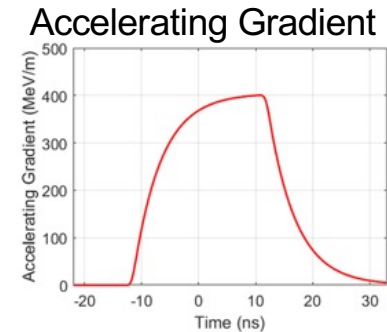
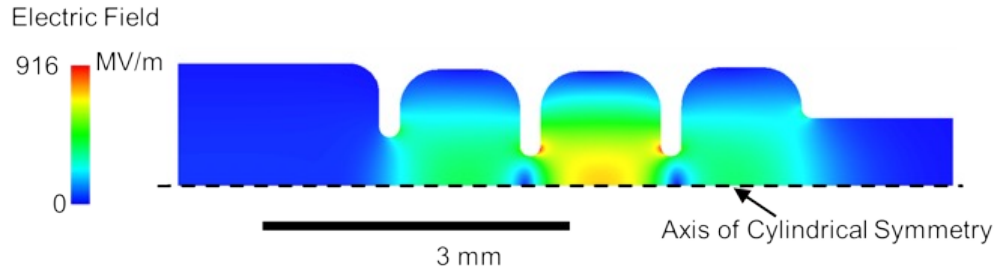
## Impacting Diverse Areas of Accelerator Technology:

- Precision Diagnostics and Beam Manipulation - <fs resolution
- Ultrafast Electron Diffraction - 100 fC, <10 fs
- X-ray Generation – few to 10s pC, low emittance
- High Current, High Luminosity >>10s pC, bunch trains

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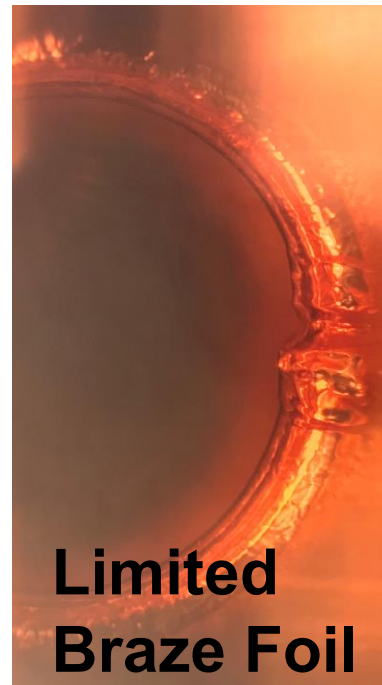
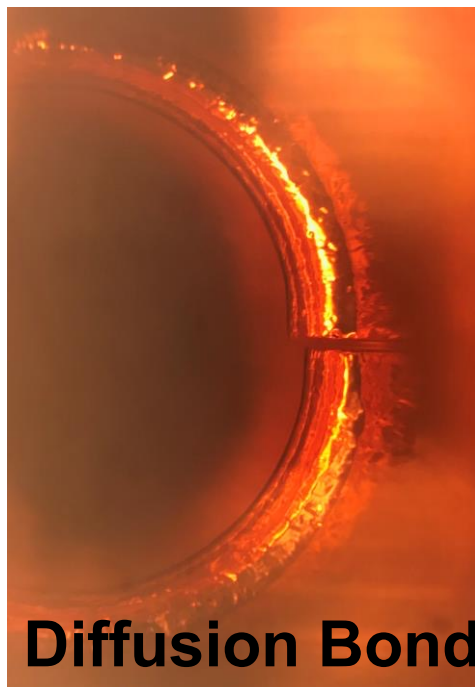
# What is the Real Scaling in Frequency for Breakdown Physics?

- Demonstrate realizable THz accelerating structure
- Power with stand-alone RF source – Experimental test underway at MIT with 1 MW gyrotron oscillator
- Direct comparison w/ X-band breakdown studies



# Comparison of Assembly Techniques

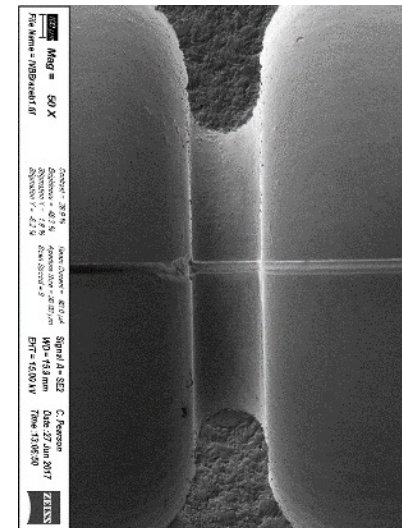
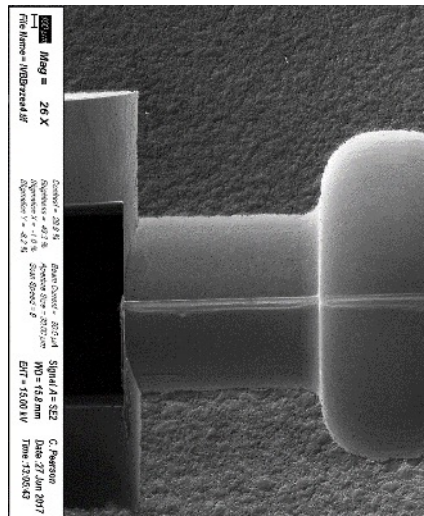
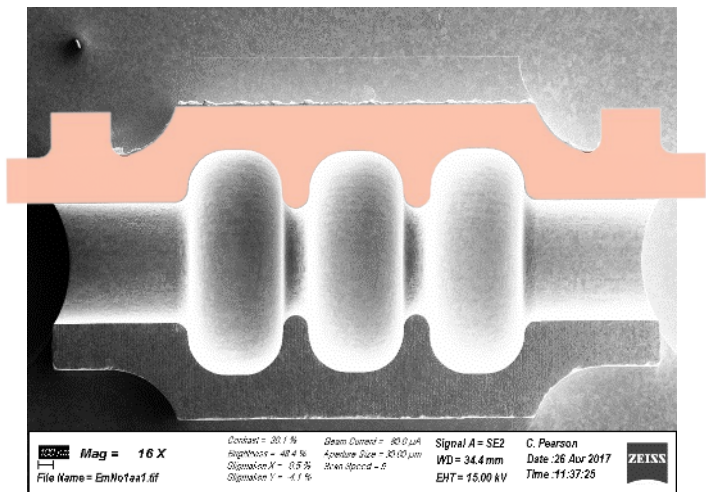
- Assembly from halves makes RF performance insensitive to defects
- Local features significantly different





# Details of Isolated + Limited Braze Assembly

- New techniques and approaches needed for fabrication
- Successfully adapted split-cell approach to mm-Wave/THz range
- Braze foil tailored to cavity shape to control volume

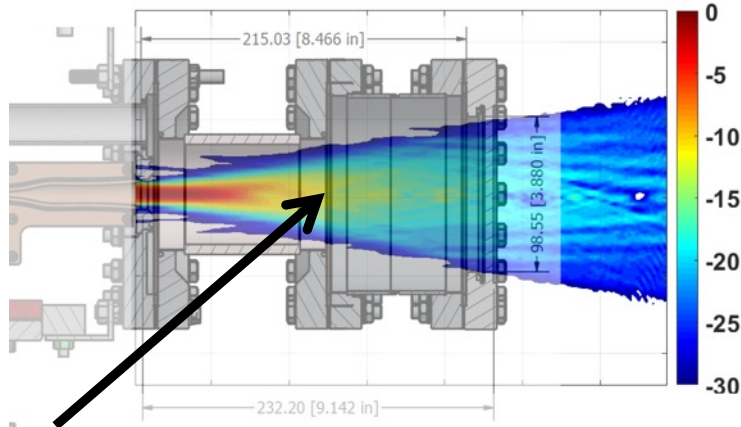




# Efficient Excitation of THz Accelerating Structures

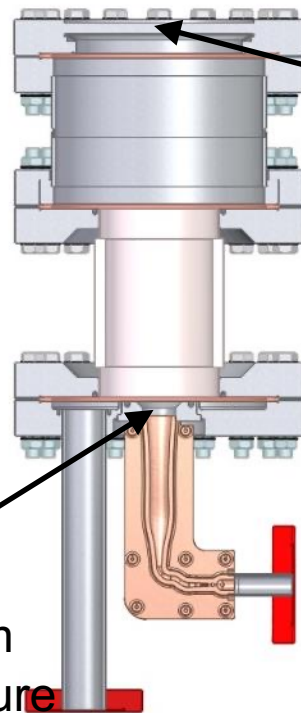
*Schaub, Jawla*

- Avoid lossy waveguides with quasi-optical transport and couplers

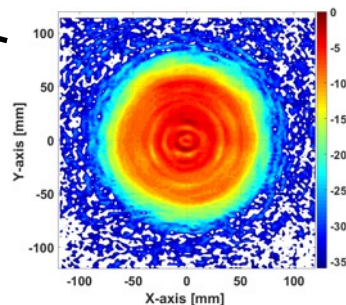


Measured/back-propagated field in the cut plane of the assembly

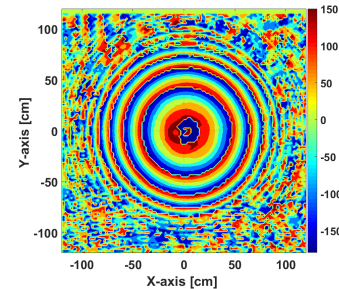
Free-space Gaussian beam coupled to structure



Measured Amplitude



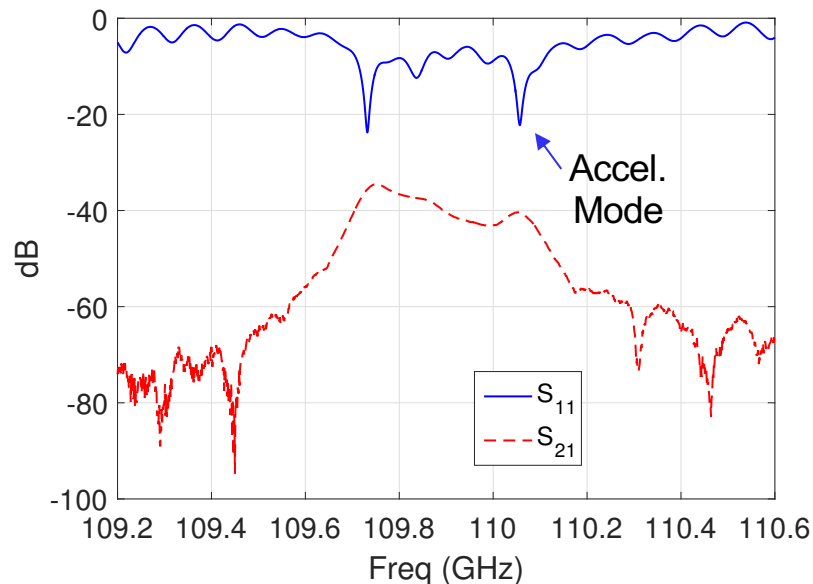
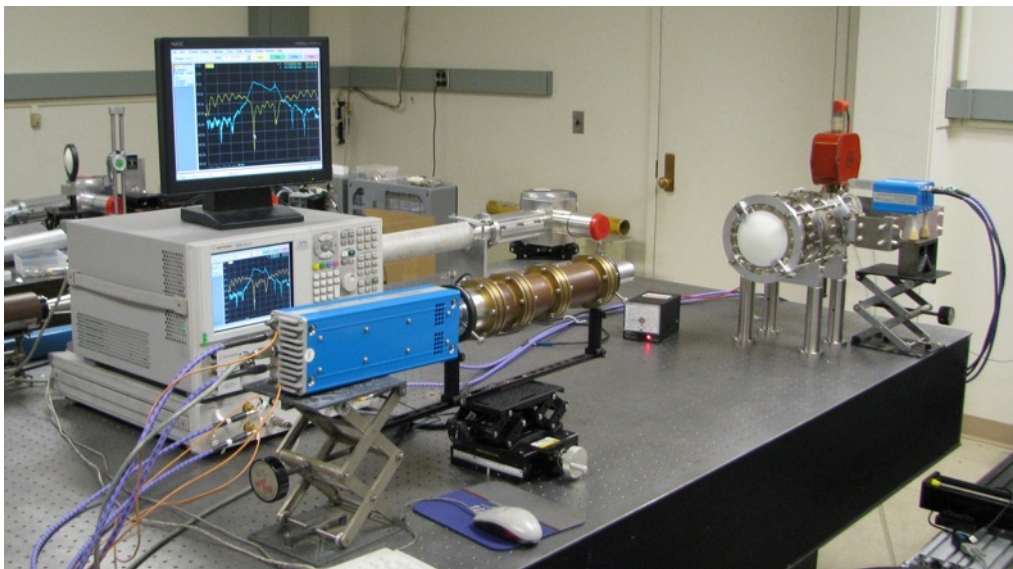
Measured Phase



Versatile Topology Compatible with New Structures and Different Frequencies

# Results from Quasi-Optical Transport Test

- Gaussian beam launcher used to test excitation *Schaub, Jawla*
- Matches design -  $\pi$ -mode 110.1 GHz,  $S_{11} \approx -25$  dB,  $S_{21} \approx -40$  dB

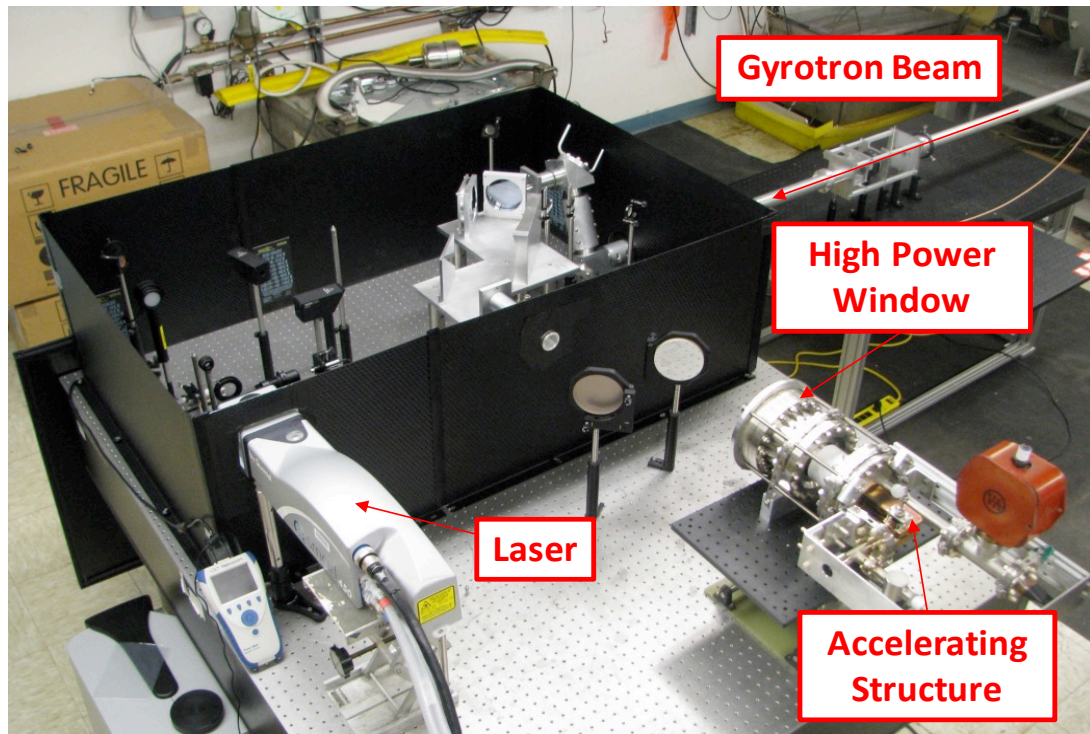
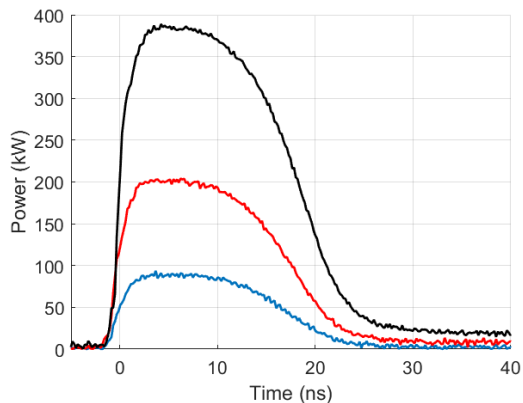


# Laser-Triggered Semiconductor Switch for Pulse Shaping

SLAC

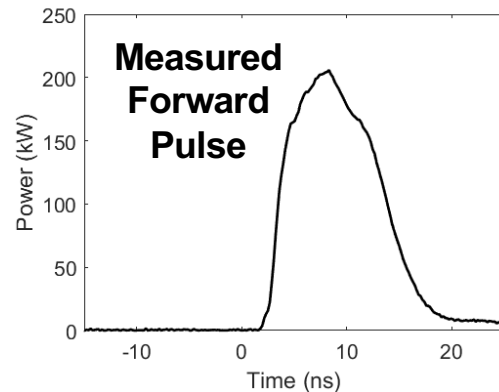
- Short tunable pulse lengths few-100s nanoseconds at MIT
- Quasi-optical coupling also demonstrated on high power setup

Measured Pulse After Switch

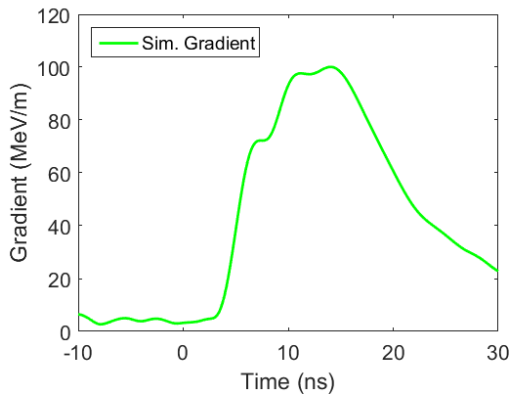
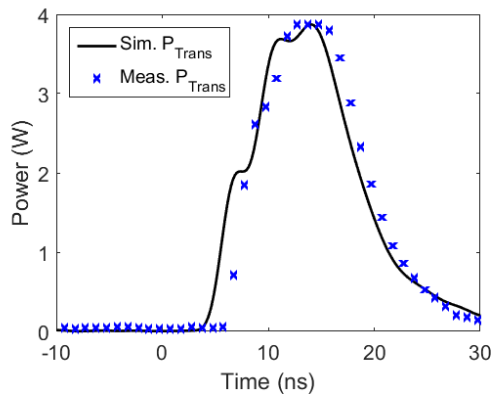


# High-Power Testing of 110 GHz Accelerating Structures

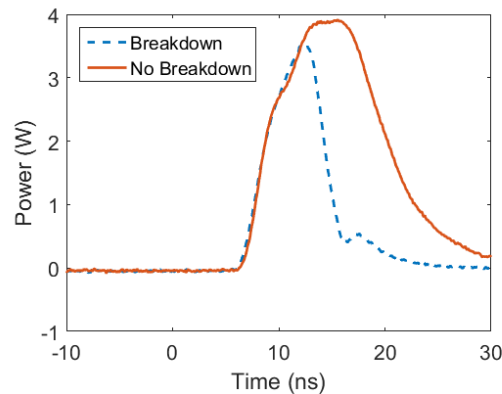
- **Achieved 110 MeV/m Gradient (<25k pulses)**  
→ **Power Available for 100s MeV/m**
- Breakdowns observed after power increased and rapidly process away
- Improving transport, coupling, diagnostics



Transmitted Pulse and Gradient



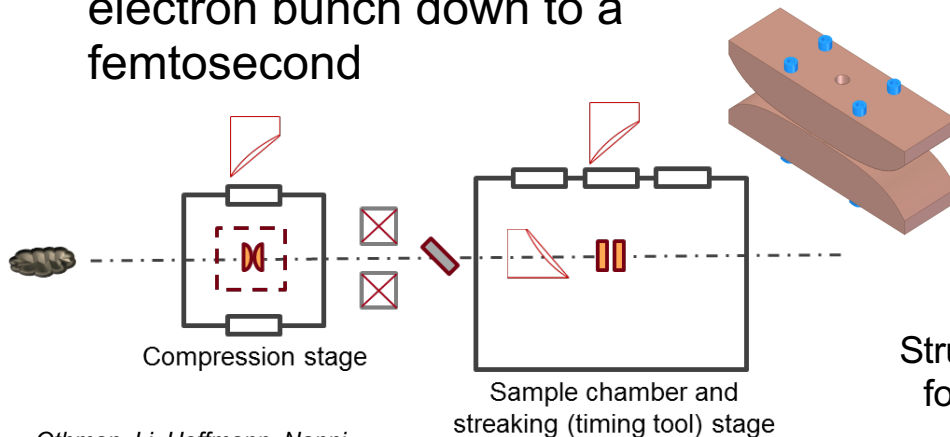
Impact of Breakdown on Transmitted Pulse



# Exploring New Frontiers of THz Acceleration with Laser-Driven THz Sources

## Single-Cycle THz Source Experiments

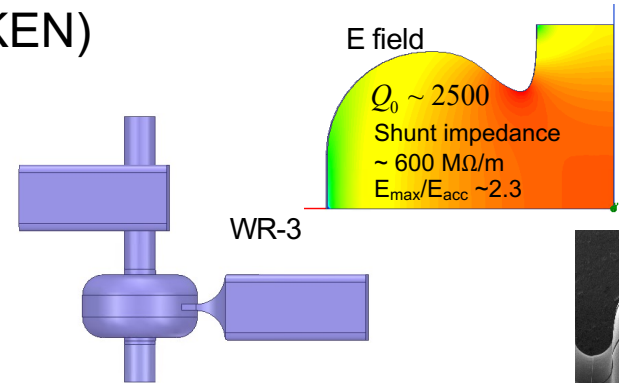
- Experimental stepping stone
- Successfully demonstrated <fs streaking diagnostic at SLAC UED
- Pursuing structures to demonstrate compression of electron bunch down to a femtosecond



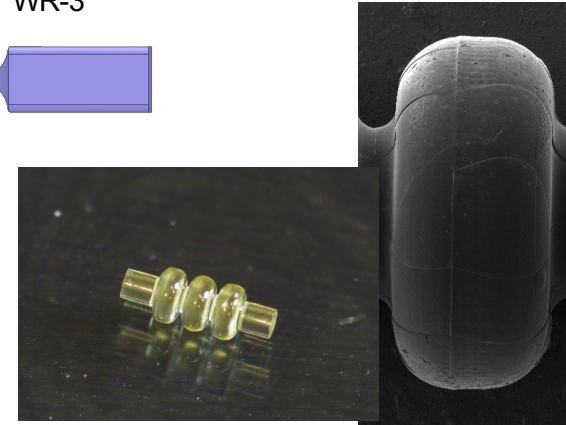
Othman, Li, Hoffmann, Nanni

## Narrow-Band THz Source Experiments

- Developing structure for test with 100 ps 100 kW source (w/ Minamide RIKEN)



3D Printing  
Accelerating  
Structures at 300 GHz  
for Electro-Forming



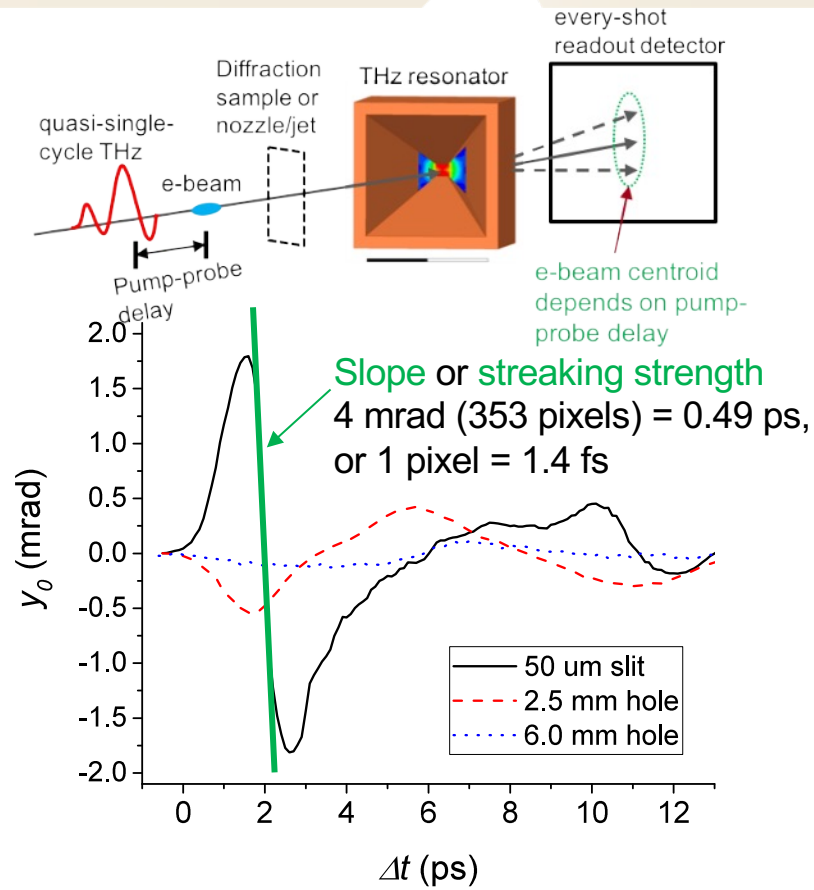
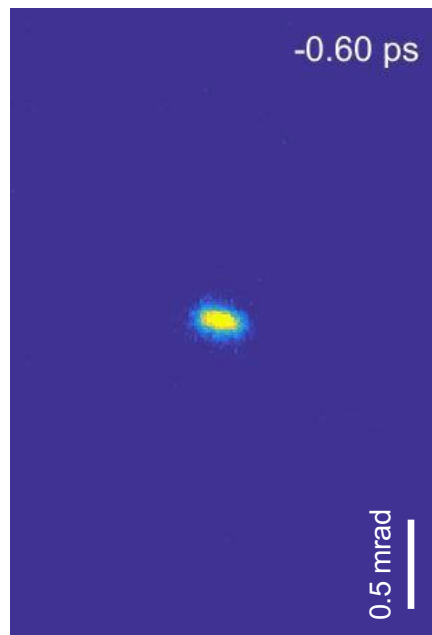


# THz streaking of femtosecond electron beams

SLAC

- Characterize timing jitter and bunch length
- Develop a timing tool for UED
- THz manipulation/acceleration of fs  $\epsilon$ -beams

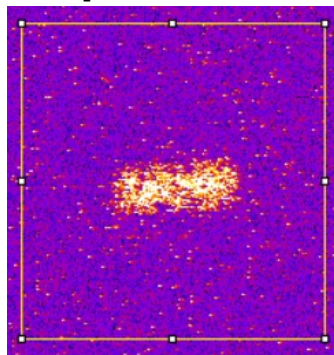
3.1 MeV electrons, 50  $\mu\text{m}$  gap, 100  $\mu\text{m}$  thick slit



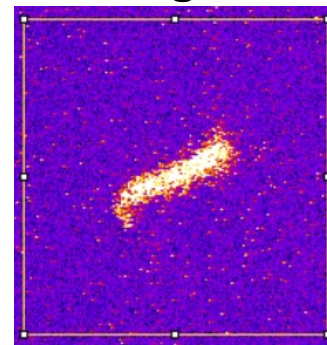
# THz Compression Experiment in Progress – Very Preliminary Results

- Observing 3X compression and timing jitter reduction
- Stable performance demonstrated
  - **Bunch length  $\sim 19 \pm 5$  fs RMS**
  - **Jitter  $\sim 12$  fs**

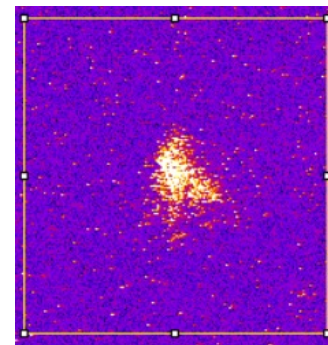
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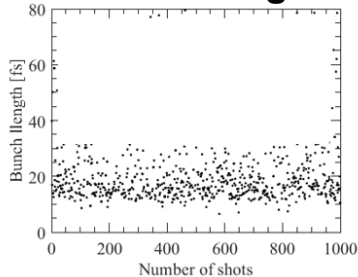
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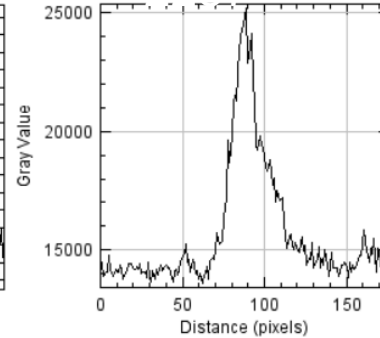
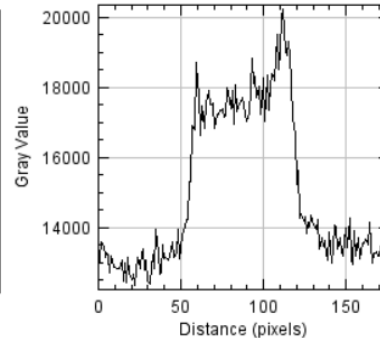
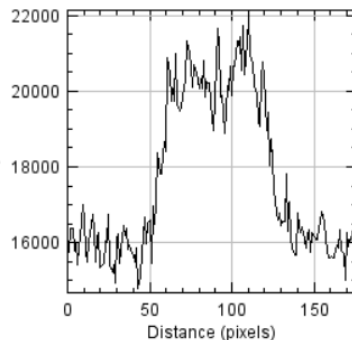
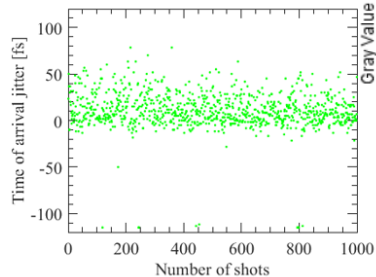
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Bunch Length



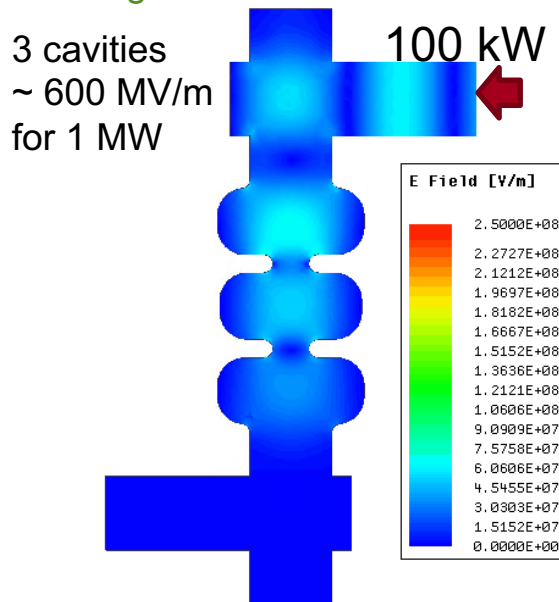
Time of Arrival



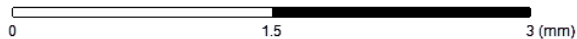
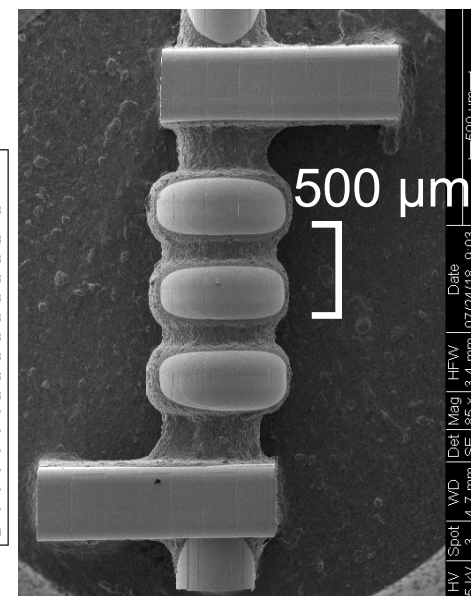
# Bridging the Gap Between Single-Cycle and Quasi-CW Excitation for Optimized High-Field Performance

- Laser-driven THz sources can produce high power pulses on 100s ps timescale
- Pursuing pulse-compression of electron-beam sources for very efficient nanosecond pulses
- Nanosecond time scale preserves high-shunt impedance of structures

Single-cell 300 GHz structure



3D printed prototype



# Conclusions

- Accelerators are powerful tools for scientific discovery
- A great variety of parameters are achievable – species, power, wavelength, repetition rate
- Technology is evolving rapidly to enable new capabilities
- Opportunity to work closely with detector community in developing new / improved systems
- Questions?