

# Snowmass Accelerator Modeling Community Whitepaper

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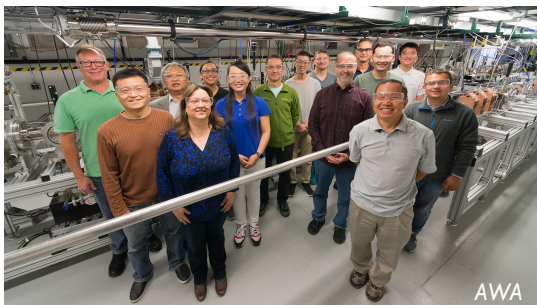
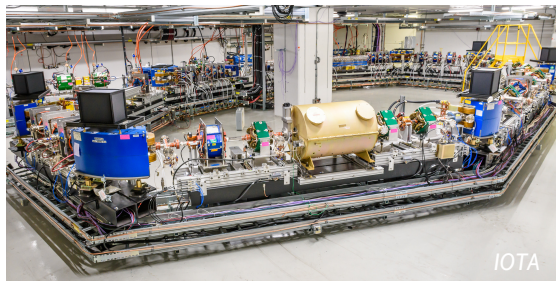
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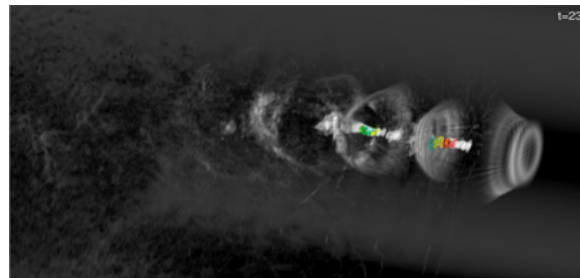
# Large Scientific Facilities



## Small Test Facilities



## Different Acceleration Schemes



## Industrial / Medical



# HEP Grand Challenges for Accelerator and Beam Physics

**Grand Challenge #1:** Beam Intensity – “How do we increase beam intensities by orders of magnitude?”

**Grand Challenge #2:** Beam Quality – “How do we increase the beam phase space density by an order of magnitude, towards the quantum degeneracy limit?”

**Grand Challenge #3:** Beam Control – “How do we measure and control the beam distribution down to the individual particle level?”

**Grand Challenge #4:** Beam Prediction – “How do we develop predictive ‘virtual particle accelerators’?”

Generated by a series of community workshops in 2019-2020 (as suggested by the 2015 HEPAP report), summarized here: <https://arxiv.org/ftp/arxiv/papers/2101/2101.04107.pdf>

# Examples of wide range of physics regimes that needs to be simulated for accelerators...

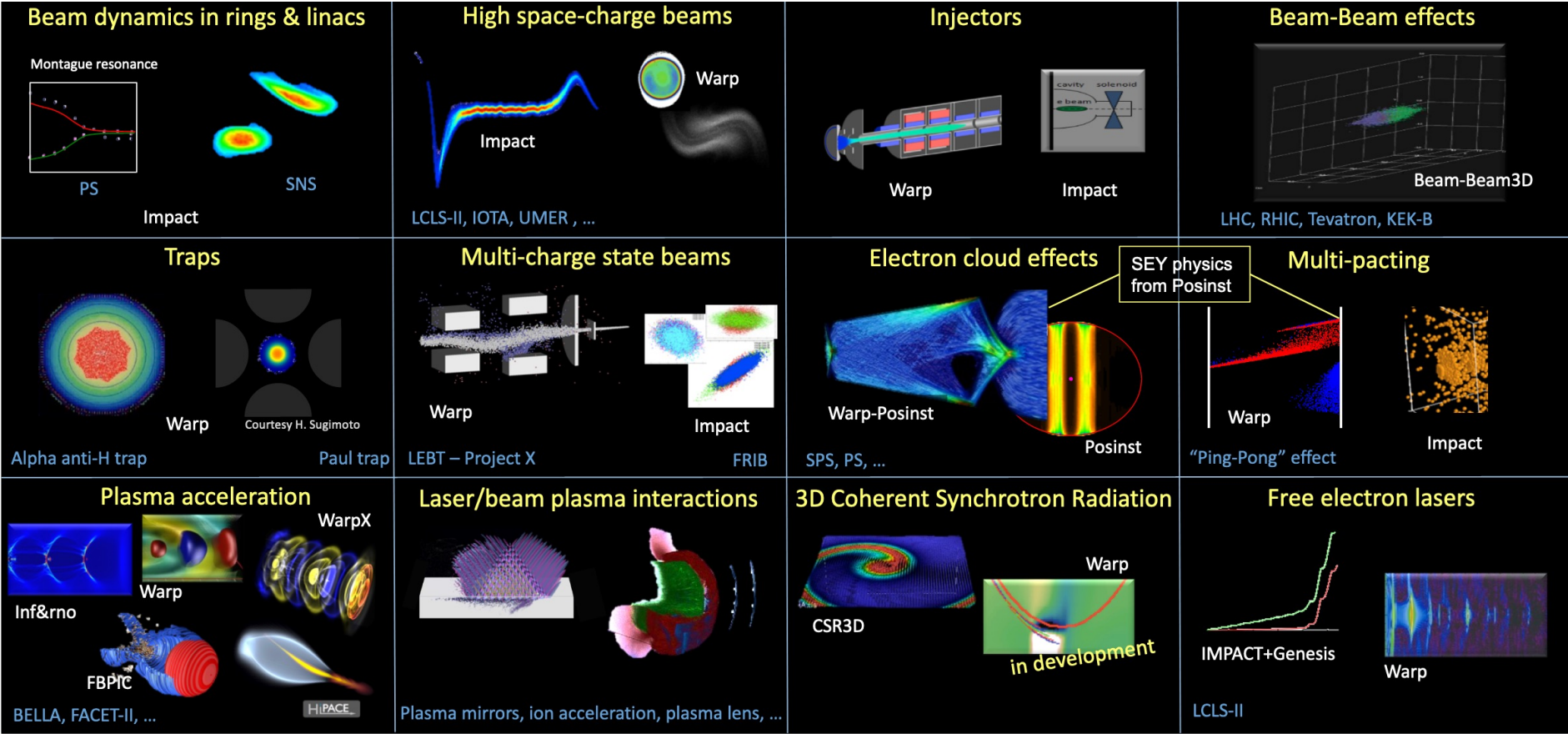


figure courtesy Jean-Luc Vay and the BLAST codes team <https://blast.lbl.gov/>

→ Accurate physics modeling for future high-intensity, high-charge, high-energy beams is challenging (let alone with novel acceleration schemes)

→ Design optimization and advanced phase space manipulation require increasingly high precision

# Snowmass21 Accelerator Modeling Community White Paper

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# Areas of Need Highlighted in the White Paper

## Basic Physics Modeling Needs

- Algorithms and modeling tools for current and emerging accelerator types and components (*rf and wakefield acceleration, materials, superconducting magnets etc.*), especially to enable higher-precision modeling

## Computational Needs

- Hardware: CPU, GPU, time, memory, archive
- High-throughput computing
- Software performance, portability, and scalability

## Emerging Computational Opportunities

- AI/ML, surrogate models, hybrid physics/ML modeling
- Differentiable simulations
- Quantum computing

## Sustainability, Reliability, Usability of Code

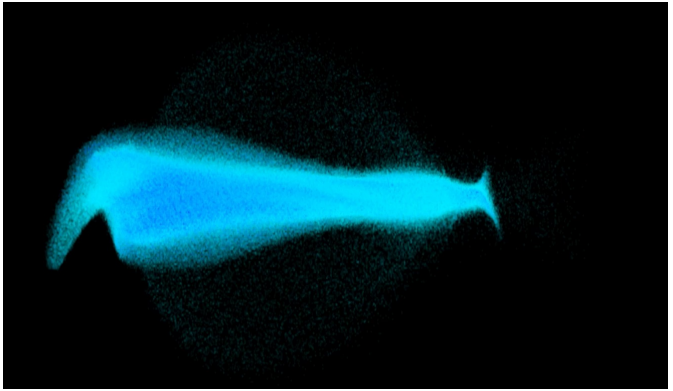
- Code robustness, validation, benchmarking
- Usability, user support, maintenance
- Training and education

## Community Ecosystems and Data Repositories

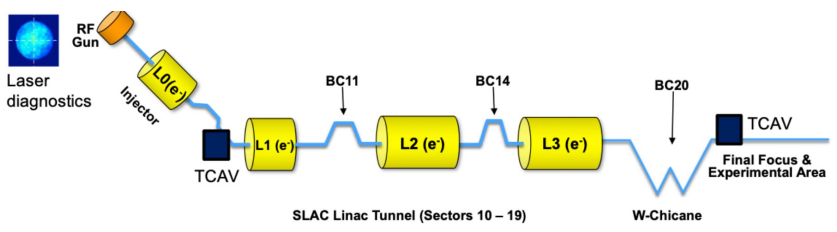
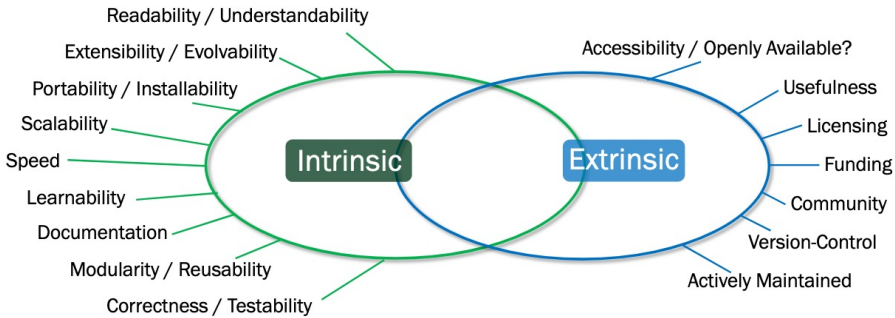
- Integrated workflows and frameworks
- Community standards for data and interfaces
- Open data repositories

## Ultra-precise, ultra-fast “virtual accelerators”

- Interdisciplinary, “end-to-end” simulations
- Tighter integration of simulations with real accelerators



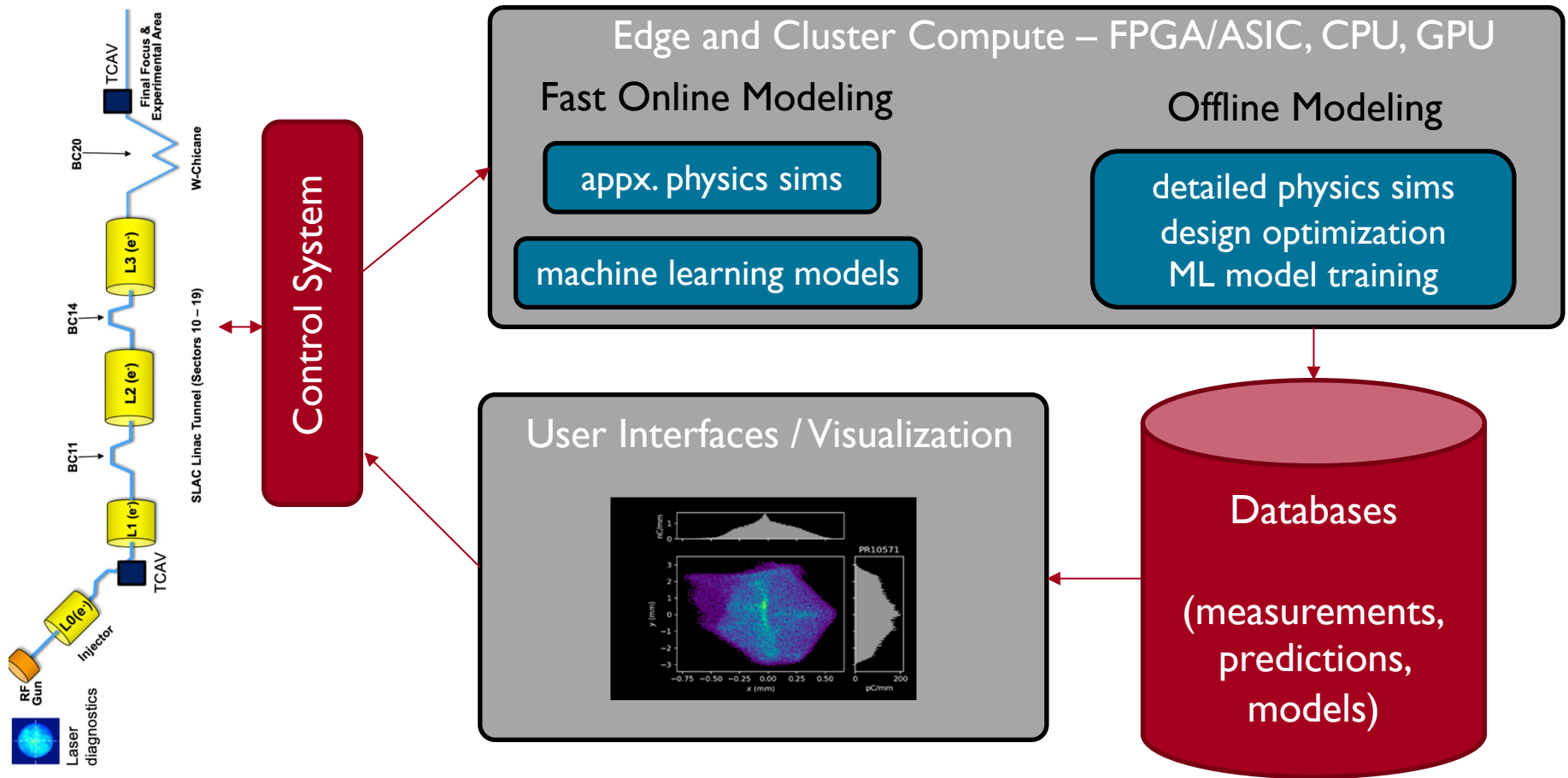
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**These areas each need support to meet current and future needs of HEP**  
**New capabilities in each area will aid the others**

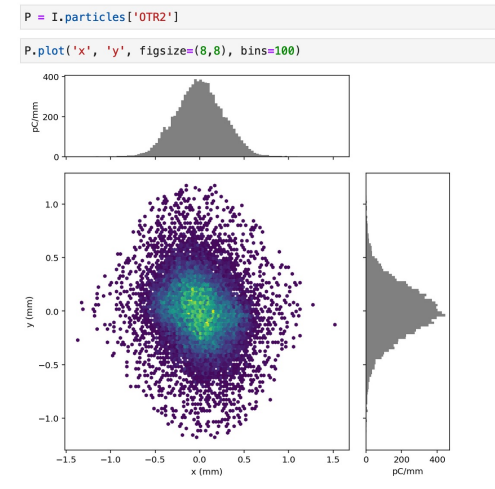
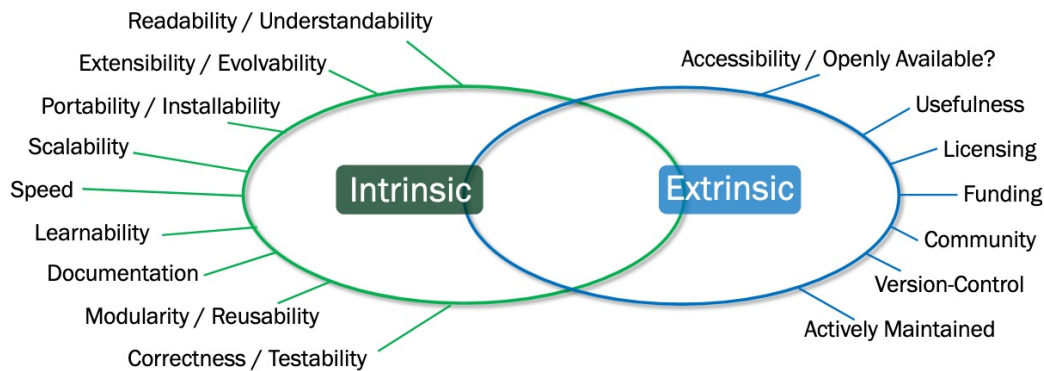
# Ultra-precise and Ultra-fast “Virtual Accelerators”

- Traditionally accelerator simulations have been partitioned by the required physics (nonlinear collective effects, plasma stages) → *need interdisciplinary, end-to-end simulations; can extend to experiment/detector*
- Traditionally, detailed simulations have been “offline”; adjustments to match measured data have been limited or done by hand → *now looking to have tighter integration with the real accelerator (virtual/digital twin)*
- Want tunability from ultra-precise and ultra-fast → *need incorporation of new algorithmic approaches for enhanced speed and/or precision (GPU acceleration, machine learning based surrogates, new computational physics algorithms)*



## Community Ecosystems and User Training/Support

- Codes are very heterogeneous, often require expertise to run, and user-friendliness is highly variable
- Need **integrated workflows and frameworks**, interoperability between different simulation codes
- Need **shared standards** for data descriptions and code interfacing
- Need **shared data** repositories to help facilitate benchmarking, algorithm development, conserving resources, etc.
- Need dedicated resources for **user support, training, improvements to usability**



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## Code Performance and Computational Needs

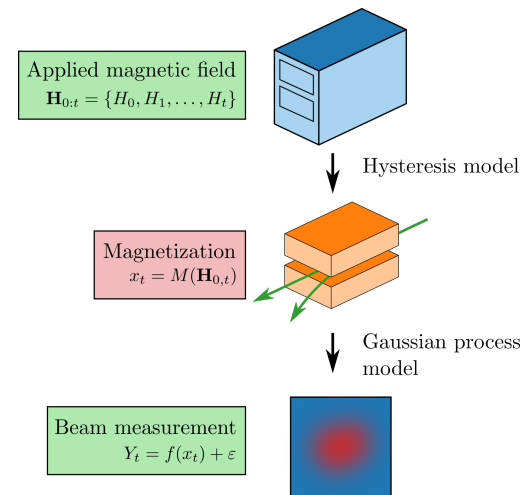
- Need more support for increasing **code robustness, validation, benchmarking, and software maintenance**
- Need more support for **streamlining code performance**
  - Heterogeneous compute (CPU, GPU, mix of traditional physics simulations and ML-based modeling)
  - High-throughput computing
  - Portability and scalability of codes
- Hardware resources: CPU, GPU, time, memory



# ML-based Accelerator Modeling

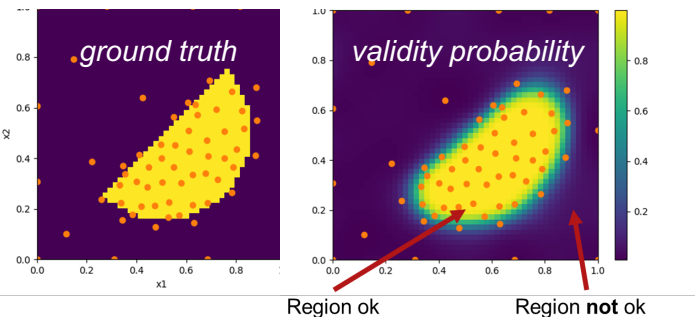
Techniques for combining **physics and ML** modeling (more reliable/transferrable, require less data), including **differentiable simulators**

Algorithms for **efficient optimization and characterization** (useful for simulation exploration/design, data generation, machine characterization)

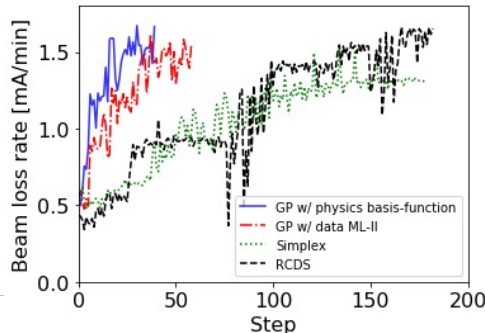


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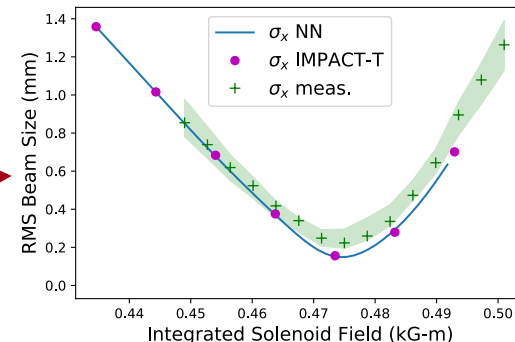
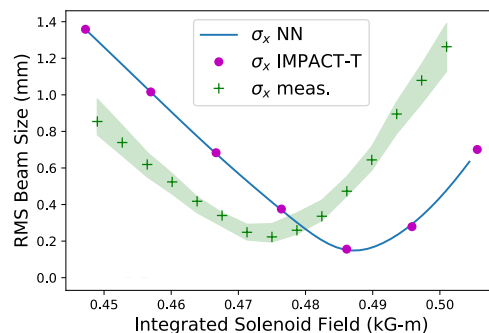
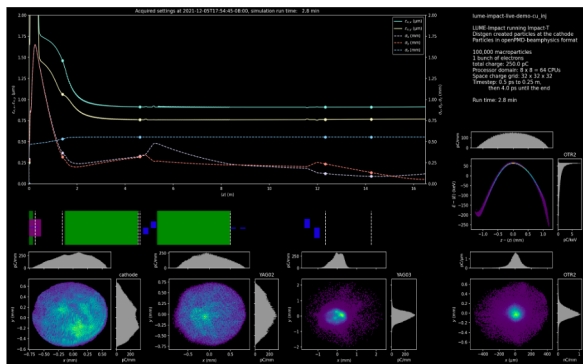


Sampling constraints learned on-the-fly



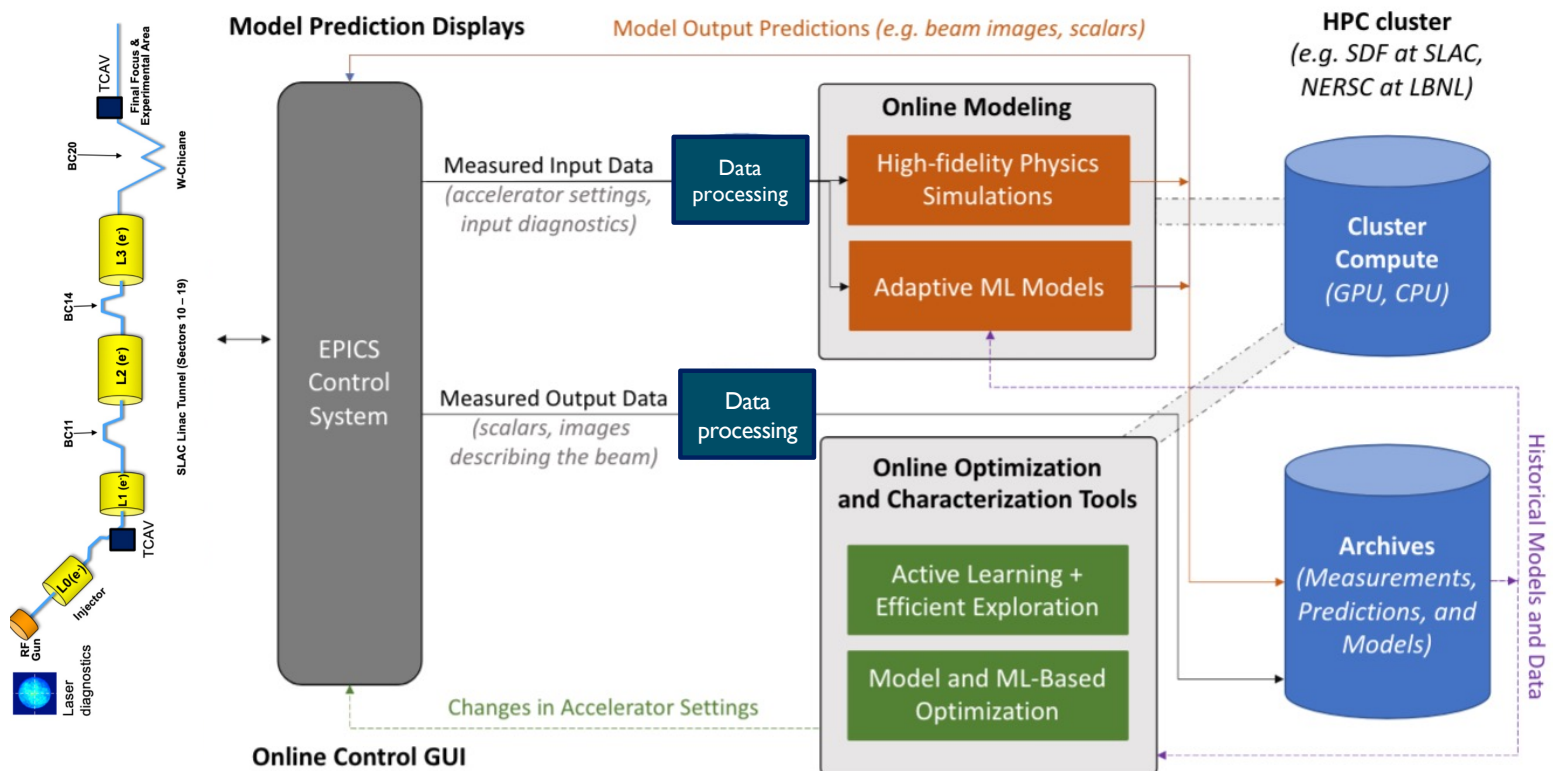
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**Techniques for fast, accurate, adaptive modeling:** use in end-to-end design optimization and control prototyping, deploy models online (< 1Hz rep rate), and enable adaptation to new conditions (new beam params., drift, sim-to-real). Includes considerations of **model uncertainty quantification and robustness**.



# Integration of AI/ML and Online Accelerator Modeling / Control

- Many proof-of-principle results for AI/ML modeling and control of accelerators → usually in limited ranges of operating conditions or addressing isolated problems (e.g. only optimization, only modeling)
- **Need to address integration into dedicated operation:**
  - Need a comprehensive **facility-agnostic** software/hardware ecosystem that can couple HPC, online simulation, and AI/ML
  - Need to assess/address robustness challenges of dedicated operation and coupling different types of AI/ML tasks together
  - Coupling of AI/ML, traditional algorithms, and human-in-the-loop operations (provide useful/actionable information rather than add to information overload)



# White Paper Recommendations

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.08335>

**Recommendation on basic physics modeling needs:** Support the development of a comprehensive portfolio of particle accelerator and beam physics modeling tools for **all types of particle accelerators** (e.g., RF-based, plasma-based, structured-based wakefield, plasmionic), **accelerator components** (e.g., materials, superconducting magnets, structured plasmas), and which target the Accelerator and Beam Physics Thrust Grand Challenges on intensity, quality, control, and prediction.

**Recommendation on computational needs:** Support the development of increasingly **powerful and specialized High-Performance Computing (HPC) and High-Throughput Computing (HTC) capabilities for accelerator modeling**, and maintenance of software to run efficiently on these hardware (e.g., port of codes to GPUs) with efficient and scalable I/O, post-processing and in situ data analysis solutions, which will be needed to support ab initio modeling at increasing fidelity, training of surrogate models and AI/ML guided designs.

**Recommendation on sustainability, reliability, user support, training:** Provide **sufficient resources for code maintenance, automated testing, benchmarking, documentation and code reviews**. Convene a community effort to identify topics and teaching teams to deliver academic classes designed to foster sharing and cooperation, to be taught at the U.S. Particle accelerator school.

**Recommendation on cutting-edge and emerging computing opportunities:** Support the research and development on cutting-edge and emerging computing opportunities, including **advanced algorithms, AI/ML methods, quantum computing algorithms** for beam and accelerator physics, as well as on the development of storage ring quantum computers. *Support the development of ML modeling techniques and their integration into accelerator simulation and control systems, with an emphasis on fast-executing (up to real-time) and differentiable models, continual learning and adaptive ML for time-varying systems and distribution shifts, uncertainty quantification to assess confidence of model predictions, and physics-informed methods to enable broader model generalization to new conditions and reduced reliance on large training data sets*

**Recommendation on community ecosystems & data repositories:** Organize the beam and accelerator modeling tools and community through the development of (a) **ecosystems of codes, libraries and frameworks** that are interoperable via open **community data standards**, (b) **open access data repositories** for reuse and community surrogate model training, (c) dedicated centers and distributed consortia with open community governance models and dedicated personnel to engage in cross-organization and -industry development, standardization, application and evaluation of accelerator and beam modeling software and data.

**Recommendation on the next frontier - ultraprecise, ultrafast virtual twins of particle accelerators:** Support the development of accelerator modeling software that orchestrate interdisciplinary set of tools with standardized data representations to enable end-to-end virtual accelerator modeling and virtual twins of particle accelerators, which combine first-principle models together with machine learning-based surrogate models, for tunability from maximum precision for accurate and realistic accelerator design to maximum speed for online particle accelerator tuning.