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A compact X-FEL for Switzerland

We all know our ultimate goal:

an X-ray laser beam from a compact source...

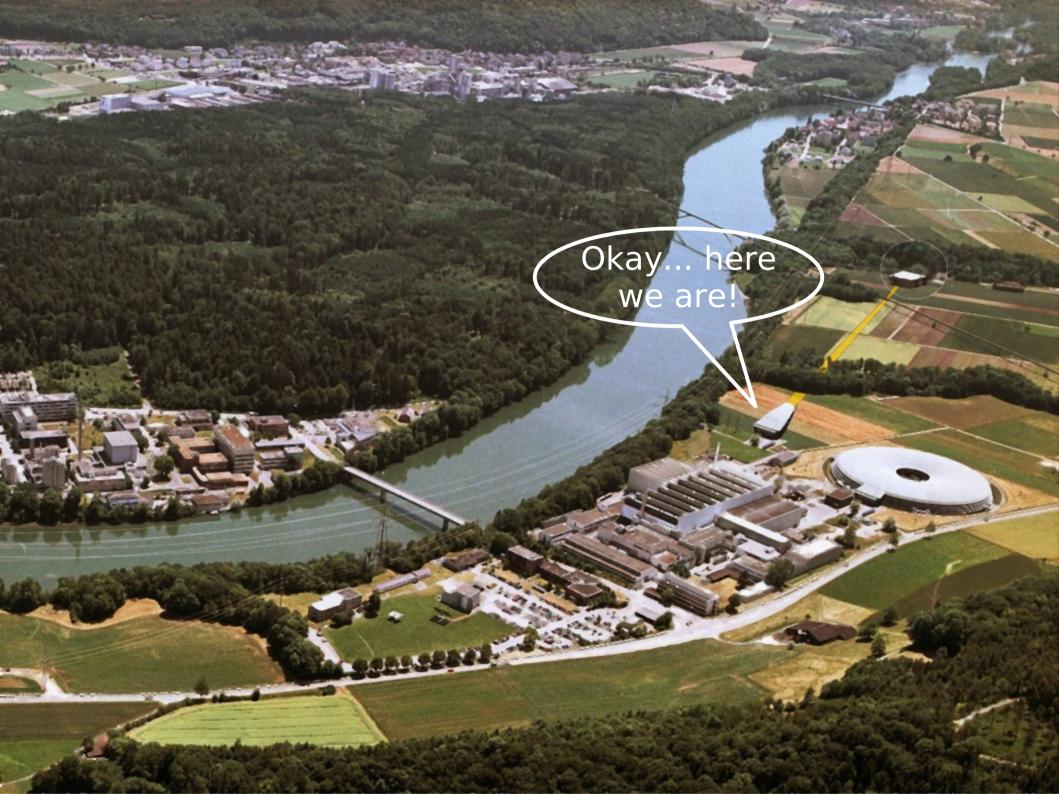


A compact X-FEL for Switzerland

Nope...







Low emittance electron gun

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\varepsilon^{(n)}}{\beta \gamma} < \frac{\lambda}{4\pi}$$
$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma^2} \left(1 + \frac{K^2}{2}\right)$$

 High energy, low emittance beams deliver short wavelength laser output
 → only low emittance is compatible with a compact facility

Design parameters for a low emittance electron gun:

- E : 3.5 MeV
- ε_{s} : 0.1 mm mrad
- Q : 220 pC

• I : 30 A

• Linear longitudinal phase space

Target parameters:

for the electron beam at the undulator:

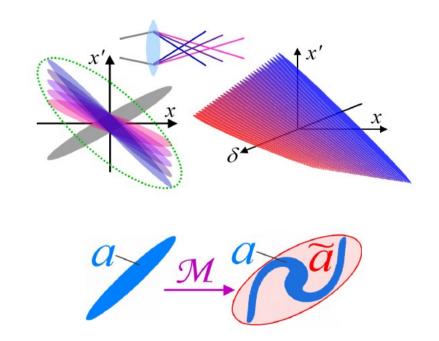
- E : 6 GeV
- ε_{s} : 0.1 mm mrad
- Q : 220 pC
- I : 1.5 kA
- → accelerator length : 435 m
 undulator length : 80 m
 other sections : 265 m
 - total length : < 800 m

results in an output laser light of:

- λ : 1–100 Å
- B : $0.01-1 \times 10^{33}$ [U]
- f : 10–100 Hz

Sources for emittance growth

- The phase space is an even-dimensional manifold naturally endowed with a symplectic structure (i.e. volume 2-form)
- The evolution of any vector in phase space is generated by a Hamiltonian vector field
 - \rightarrow canonical flux
- A conanical flux preserves the symplectic structure
 → volume preserved
- Dynamics is described by symplectic maps
- The emittance is the mean area in phase space and is not necessarily preserved
- Projected emittance: projection is not a symplectic map → emittance increase
- Slice emittance: nonlinear forces (space charge, external fields) lead to filamentation of the phase space → emittance increase



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Design of a low emittance gun

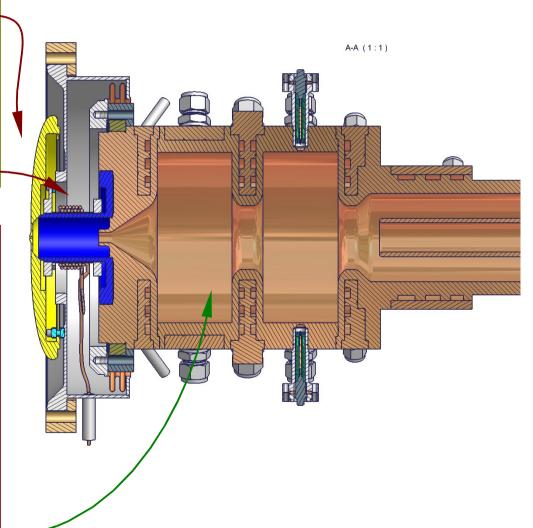
- Space charge induced emittance dilution dominated by perveance:
 - \rightarrow combine low current with high gradient ⁻
- Emittance dilution from external fields dominated by ratio of the diameter so the beam and of the surrounding cavity boundaries

→ minimise beam diameter by adequate matching scheme

- Low current prevents lasing in the undulator and reduces brightness of photon beam
 → need to increase low current by aggressive bunch compression
 → velocity bunching in the RF cavity
- Bunch profile must not be changes at this early stage to enable further handling of the beam

 \rightarrow linearisation of the longitudinal phase space

 \rightarrow superposition of third harmonic mode in the RF cavity

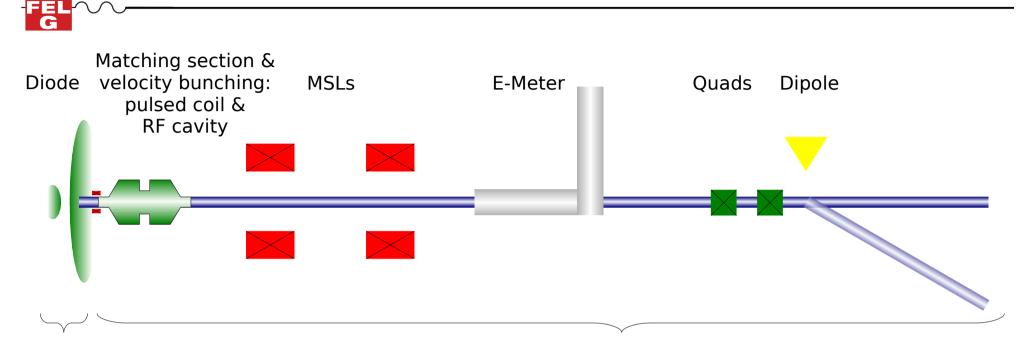


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"Numerical regions"



MAFIA:

- space charge dominated region
 → space charge model crucial
- no approximations for space charge forces: exacts solutions of Maxwell's equations
 → Lienard-Wiechert potentials with user defined boundaries

GPT:

- space charge forces suppressed
 → space charge model less crucial
- space charge forces solved on a grid in the rest frame → Poisson equation → after Lorentz transformation: exacts solutions of Maxwell's equations with retardation, but:
 - with identical velocity for all particles
 - without radiation terms

Additional codes

• HOMDYN: Beam envelope tracker

- space charge calculated in rest frame with subsequent Lorentz transformation \rightarrow retardation but no radiation terms
- each slice reduced to a single point in phase space
 - \rightarrow all transverse effects are linearised
 - \rightarrow very fast tracking

Raistlin and Caramon (Twins from Dragonlance® Chronicles and Legends novels)

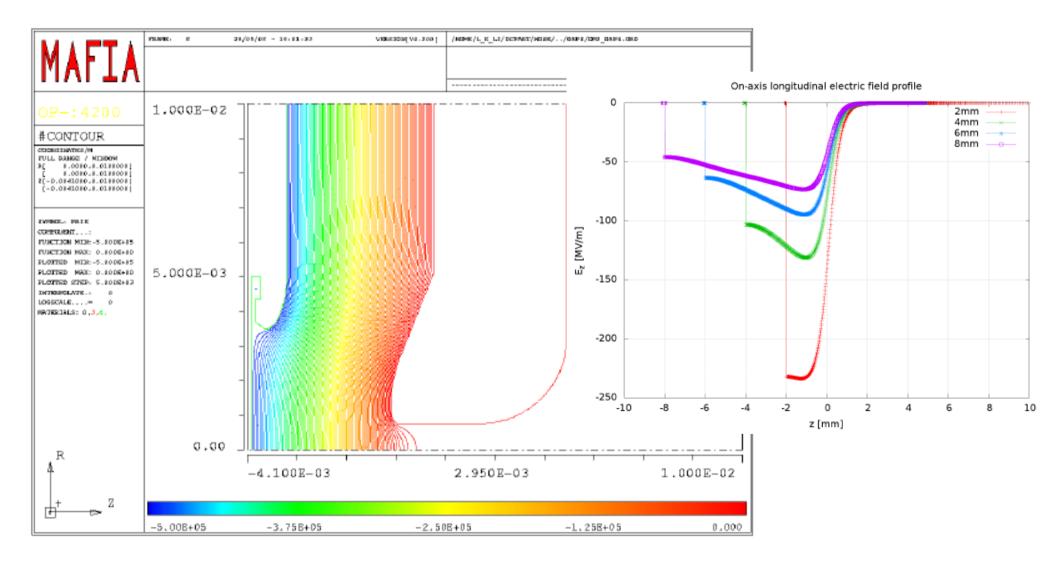
- RAISTLIN (RAdial field Integration by Slice Tracking with LINear space charge)
 - written in C++
 - tracks a single slice \rightarrow fast
 - space charge forces linear, external fields from SUPERFISH T7 maps
 → evaluates contribution from nonlinear external fields to slice emittance increase
- CARAMON (Charged Axisymmetric Radiofrequency Accelerated Macroparticles ON-axis)
 - written in GNU Octave
 - tracks single macroparticle beamlet on-axis → fast (for multi-dimensional parameter space scans for velocity bunching)
 - RF fields given analytically by the user
 - \rightarrow independent on field maps

 \rightarrow synchronisation can be investigated by quick evaluation of different RF configurations (varying cell length, distance of peaks)

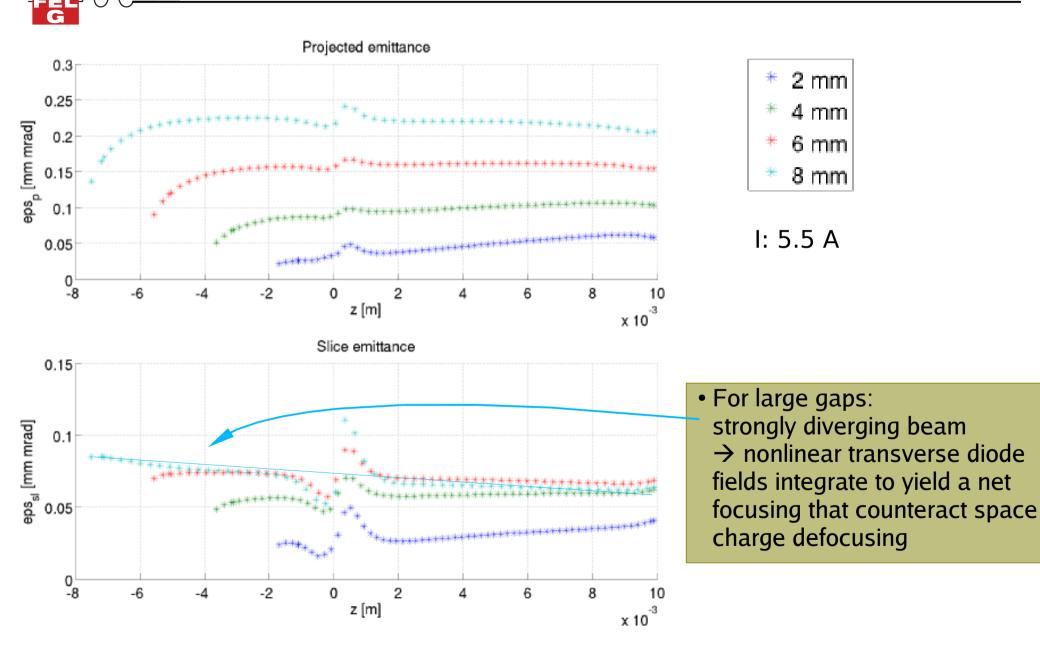
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Diode: 2D design

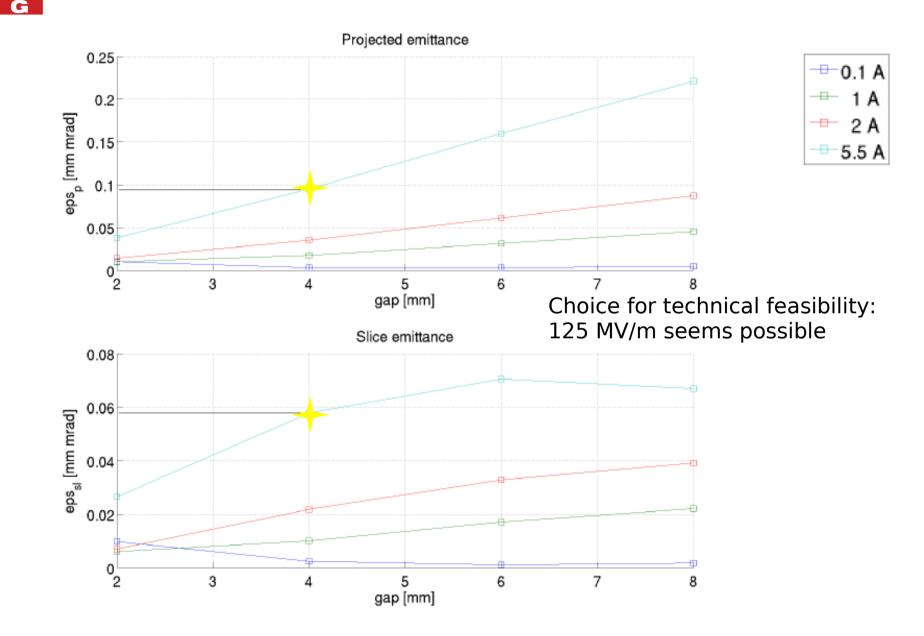


Diode: 2D design (500 kV also have 1 MV)

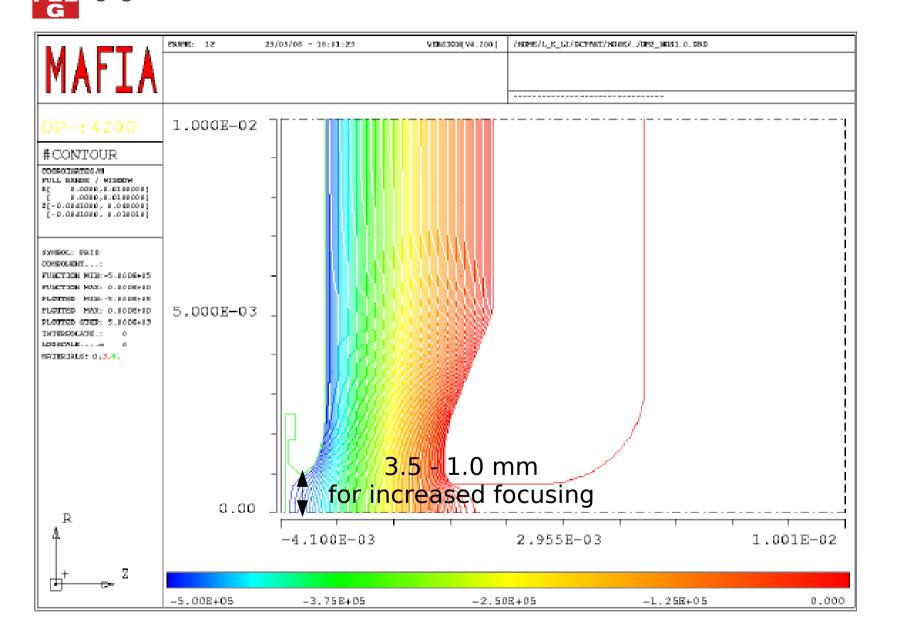


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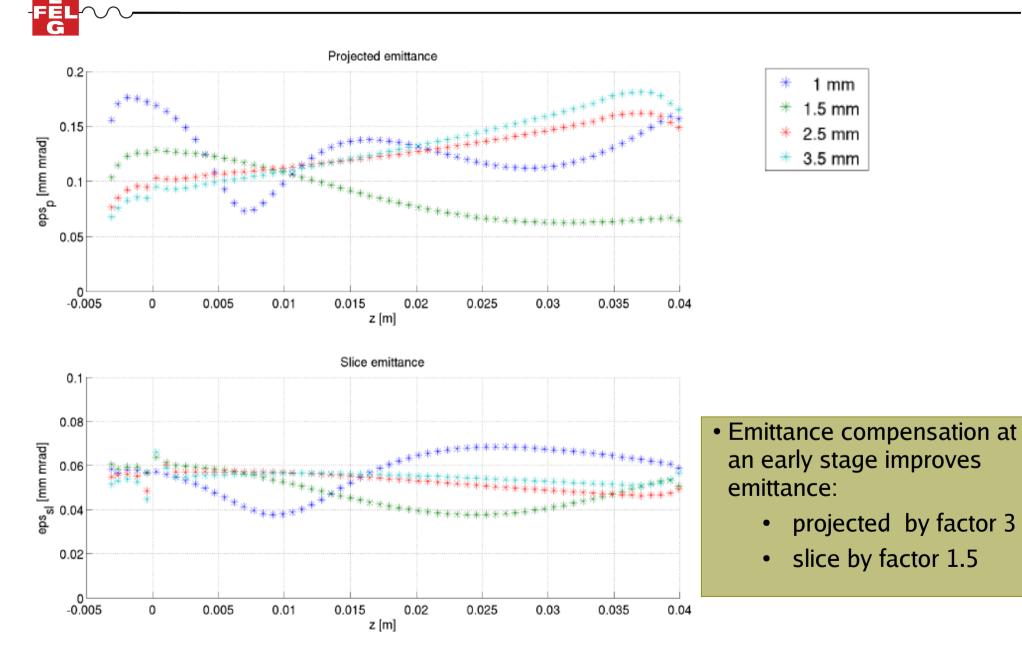
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Diode: 2D alternative

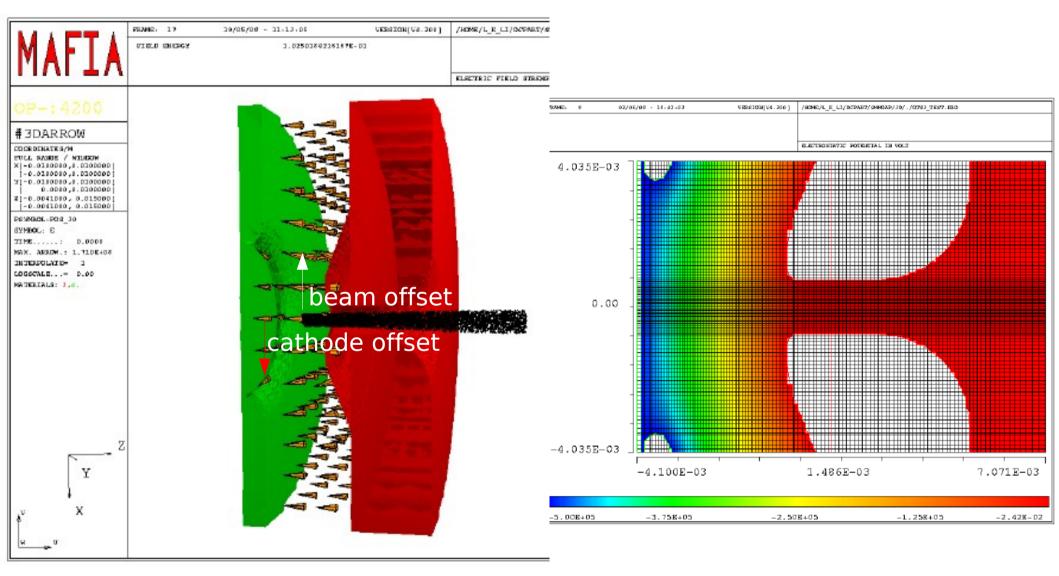


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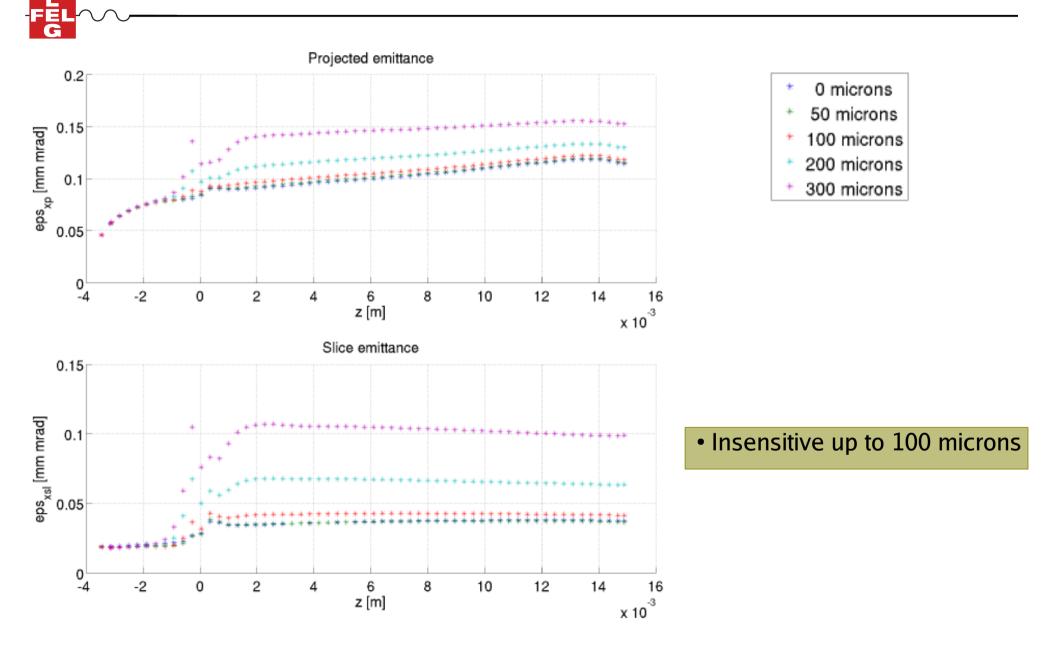


Diode: 3D design

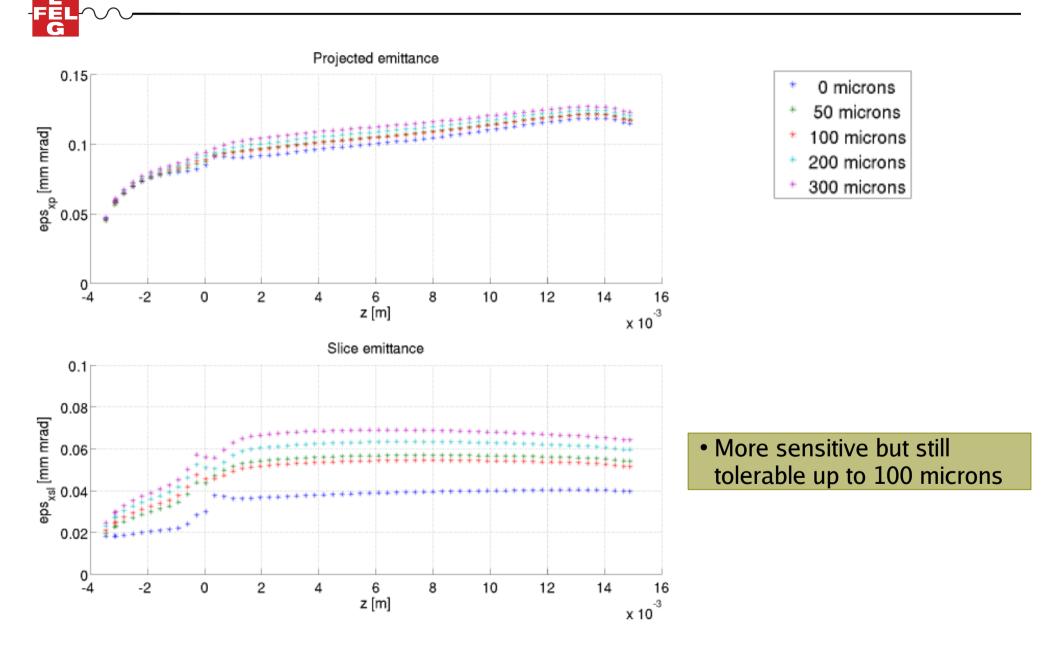




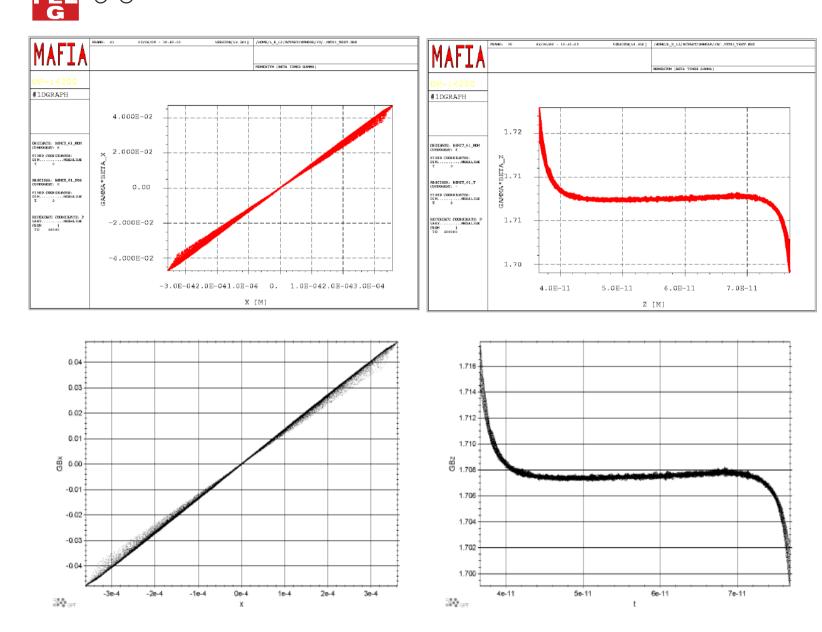
Diode: 3D beam offset



Diode: 3D cathode offset



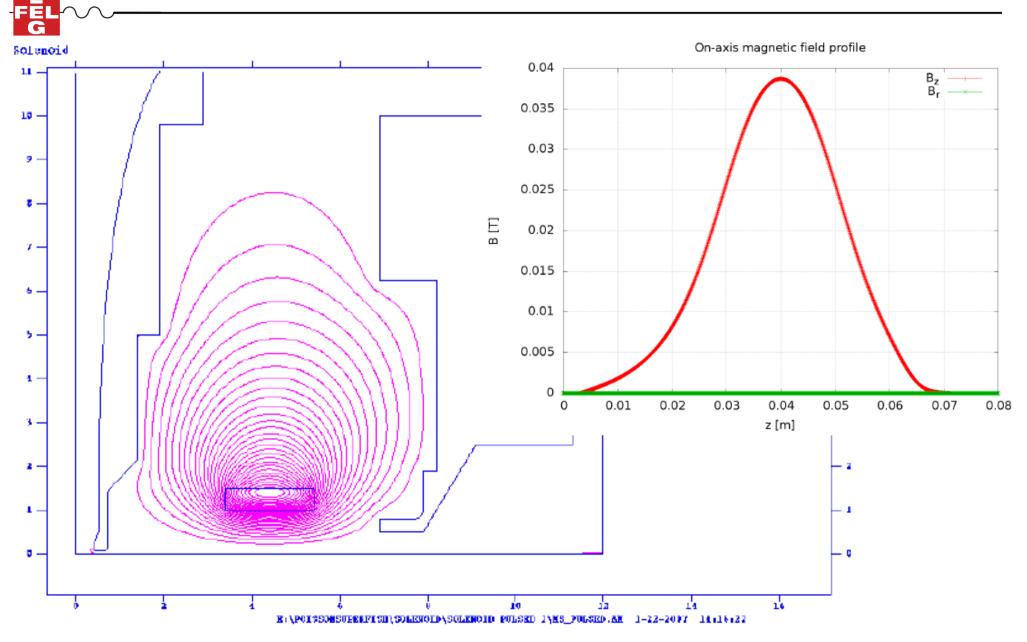
MAFIA - GPT



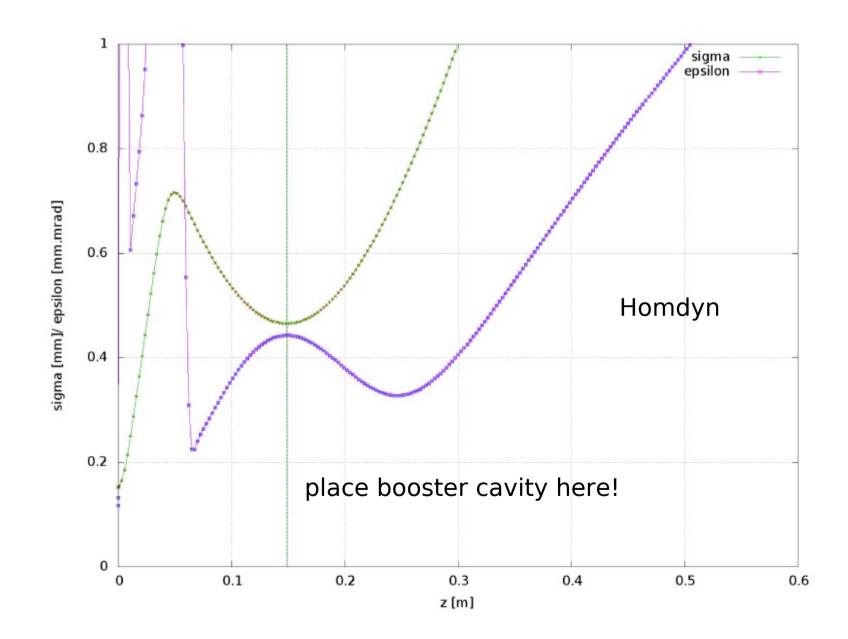
Dump at 2 mm

Simulations for the 4 MeV test stand

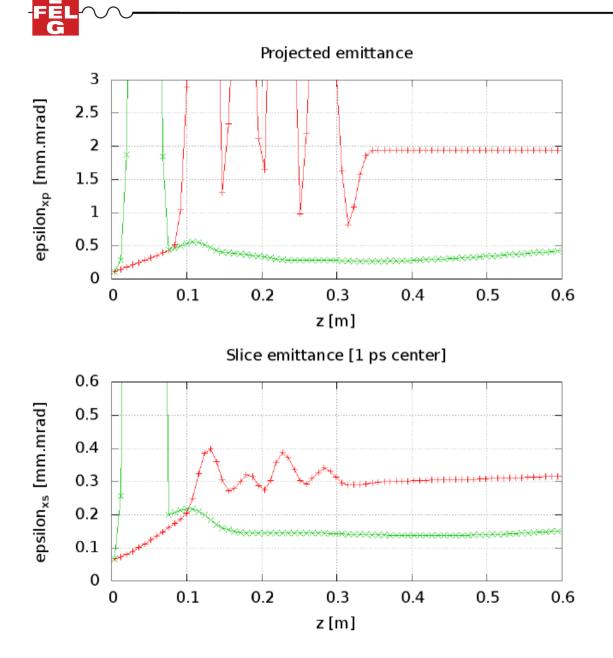
Pulsed coil design



Pulsed coil: emittance oscillation



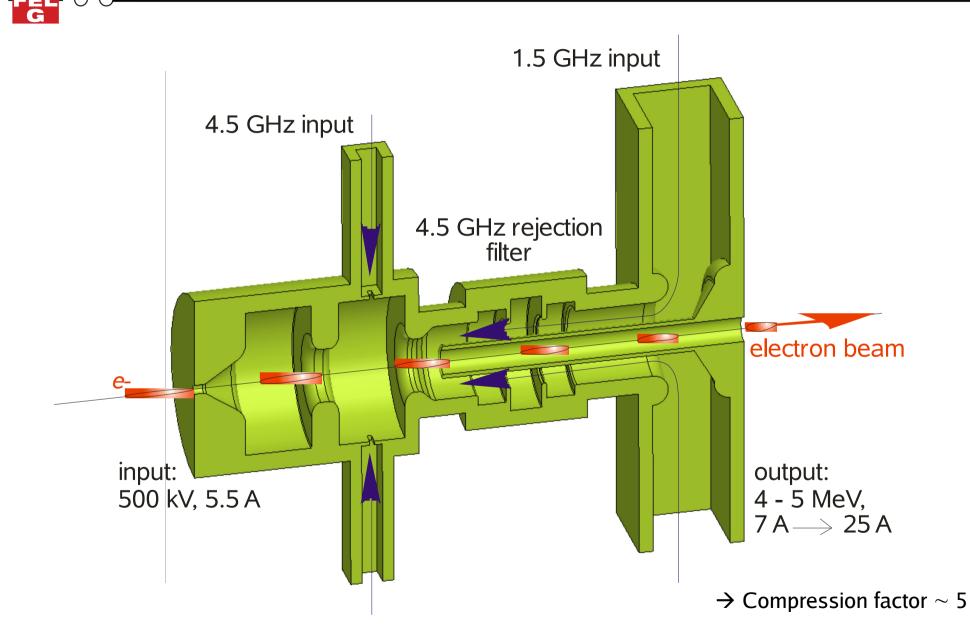
Coil with cavity: beam matching

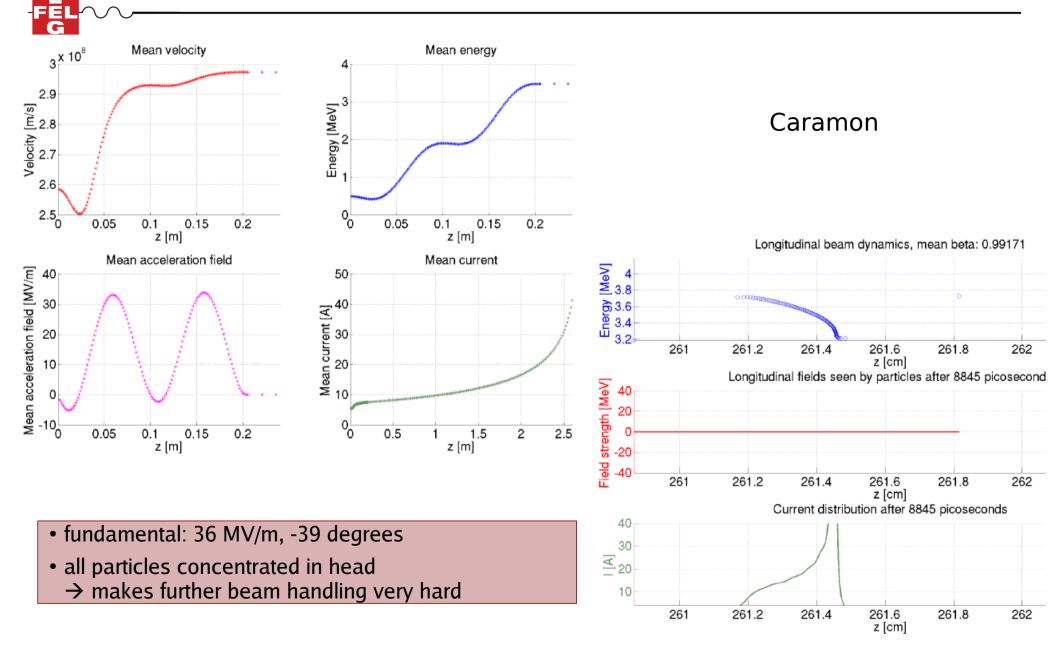


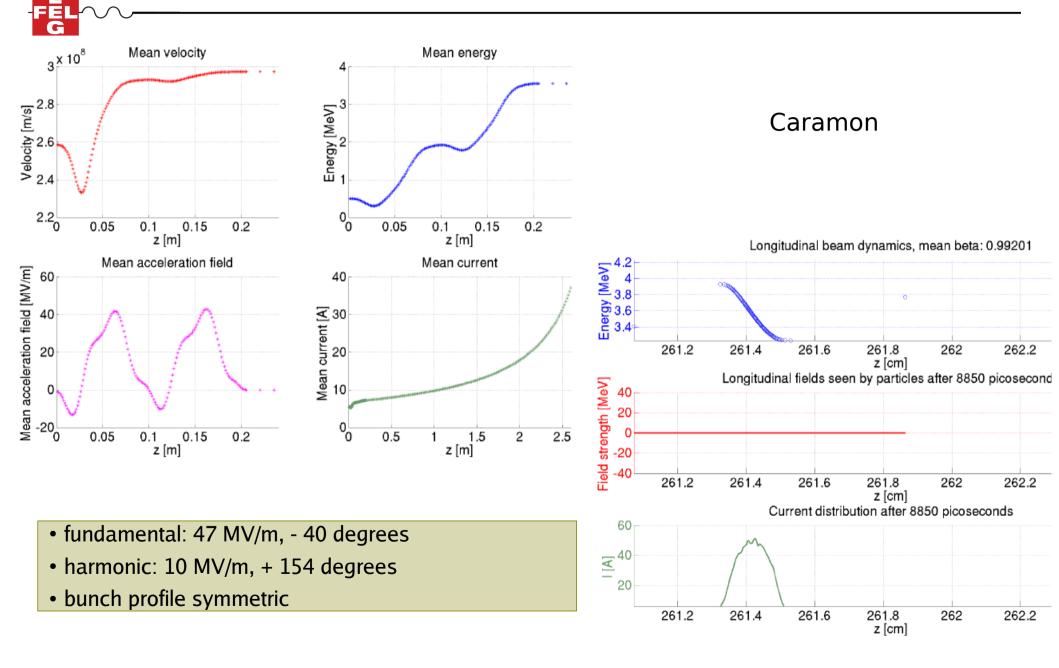
$$B = 0 T \longrightarrow B = 25 T \longrightarrow K$$

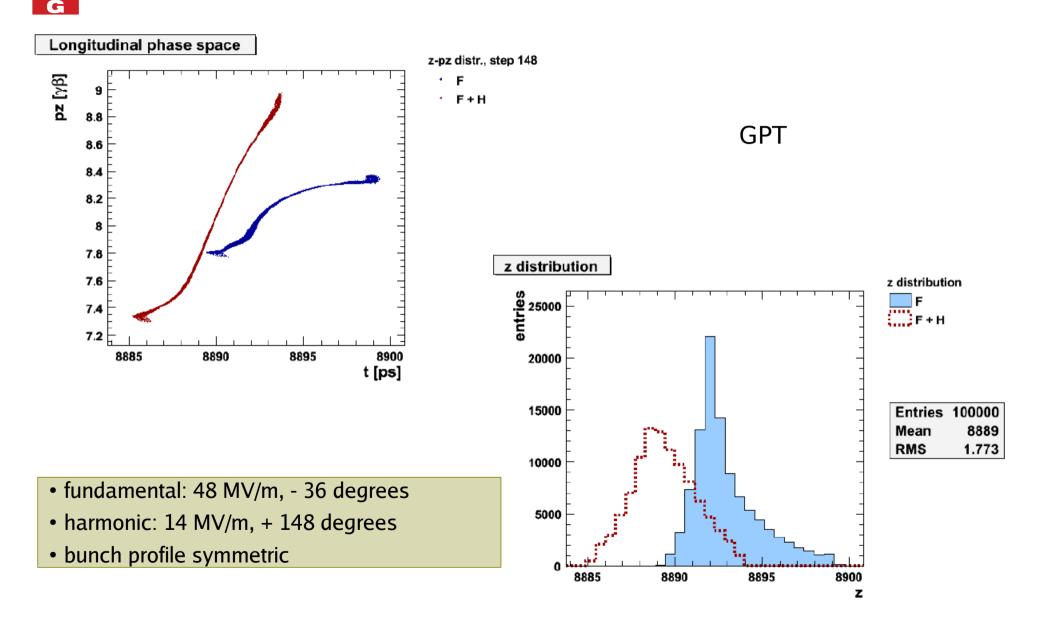
$$\hat{\sigma}_{\rm inv} = \sqrt{\frac{K}{K_r}}$$

- good matching obtained for
 - $\sigma_r = 0.500 \text{ mm}$
 - E_{max} = 33.0 MV/m
 - B = 0.250 T
- transverse RF effects invisible

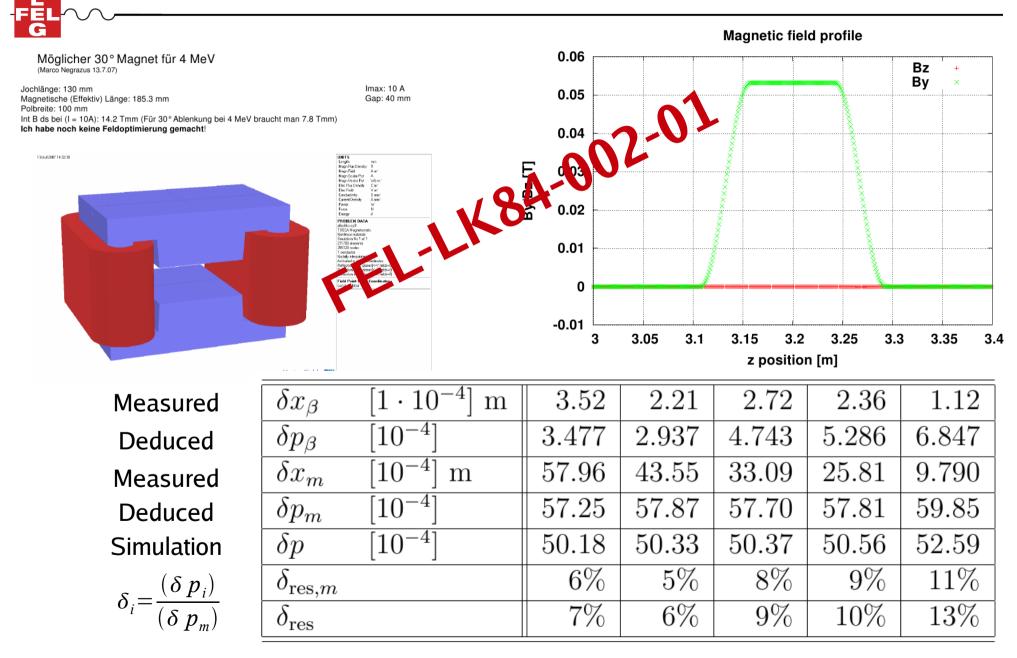








Momentum measurements



Conclusions

A) Physics

- i. Design done
- B) Codes
 - i. Codes implemented, prepared and ready to use
 - ii. Additional codes added

C) Results

i. Usable set of parameters evaluated for achieving the target beam