



Beam dynamics with realistic bunches at the European XFEL

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an online talk given in the COVID-19 period

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Introduction / Motivation

- One of the follow-ups for the talk given by F. Brinker, BD meeting, Dec. 2019:

*"Beam dynamics at the XFEL injector: Collection of **observations** and questions"*

- This work deals with "realistic" bunches used for **improving beam dynamics** simulations
 - *What observed?*
 - *Why important?*
 - *How to improve?*
 - *Some results?*
- Another recent work on **statistical simulations of photocathode** for the XFEL

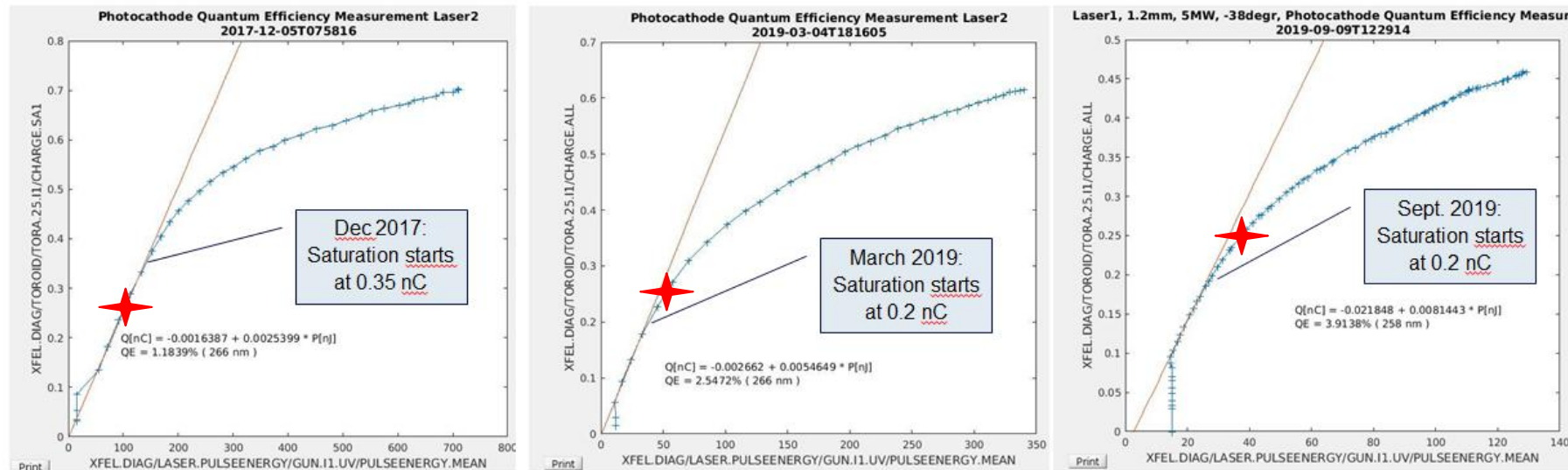
OBSERVATIONS

Experimental observation of emission curve (charge vs. UV energy)

Dec. 2017 → Sept. 2019

→ working point shifting to stronger space-charge affected regime

★ XFEL working point, 250 pC Credits: F. Brinker



➤ Remeasure in January

→ directly injecting 250 pC for simulation may not be sufficient to represent beam dynamics correctly

→ due to different space-charge densities near cathode

→ dynamics described by the emission curve → reproducing measured curves is the basis for BD simulations

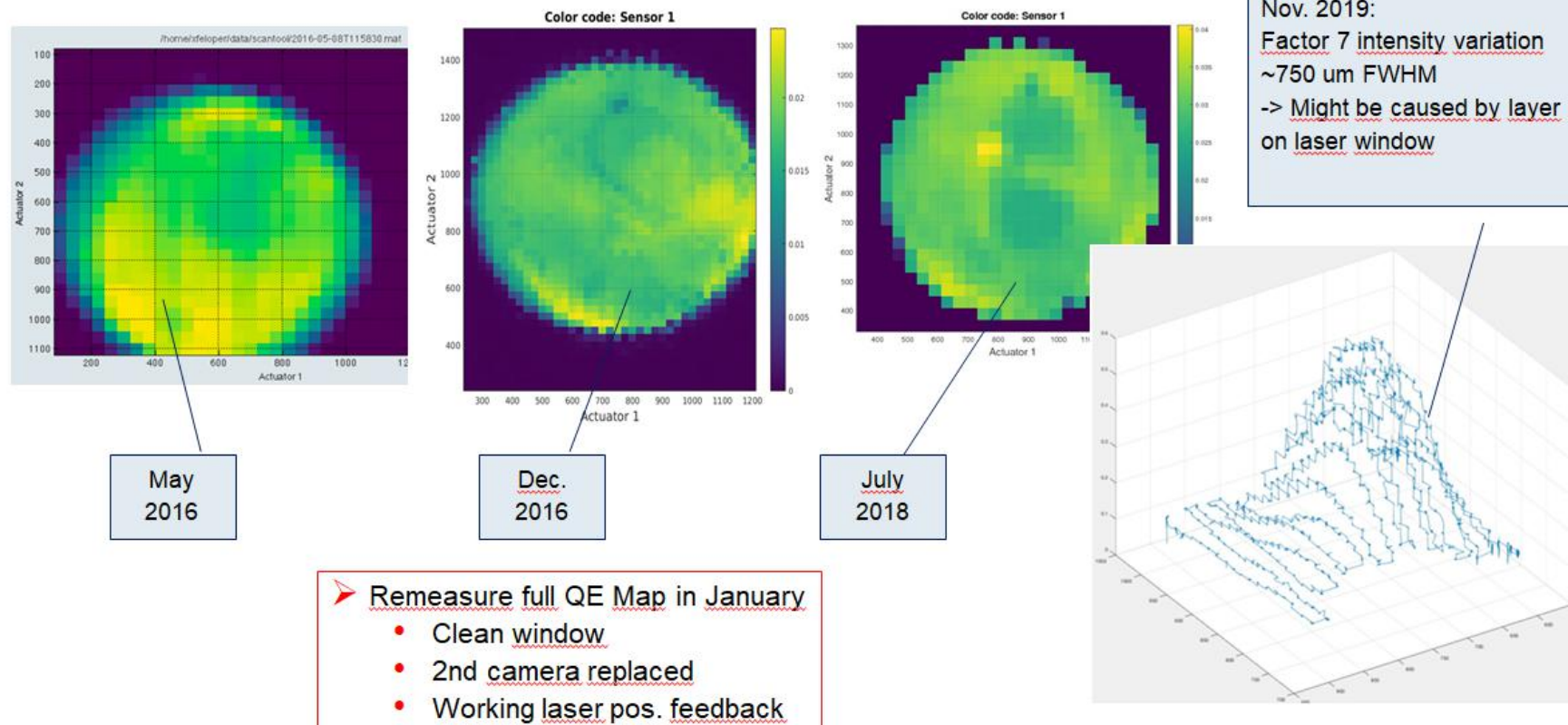


Experimental observation of QE map

May 2016 → Nov. 2019

→ Homogeneity of cathode QE map seems degraded

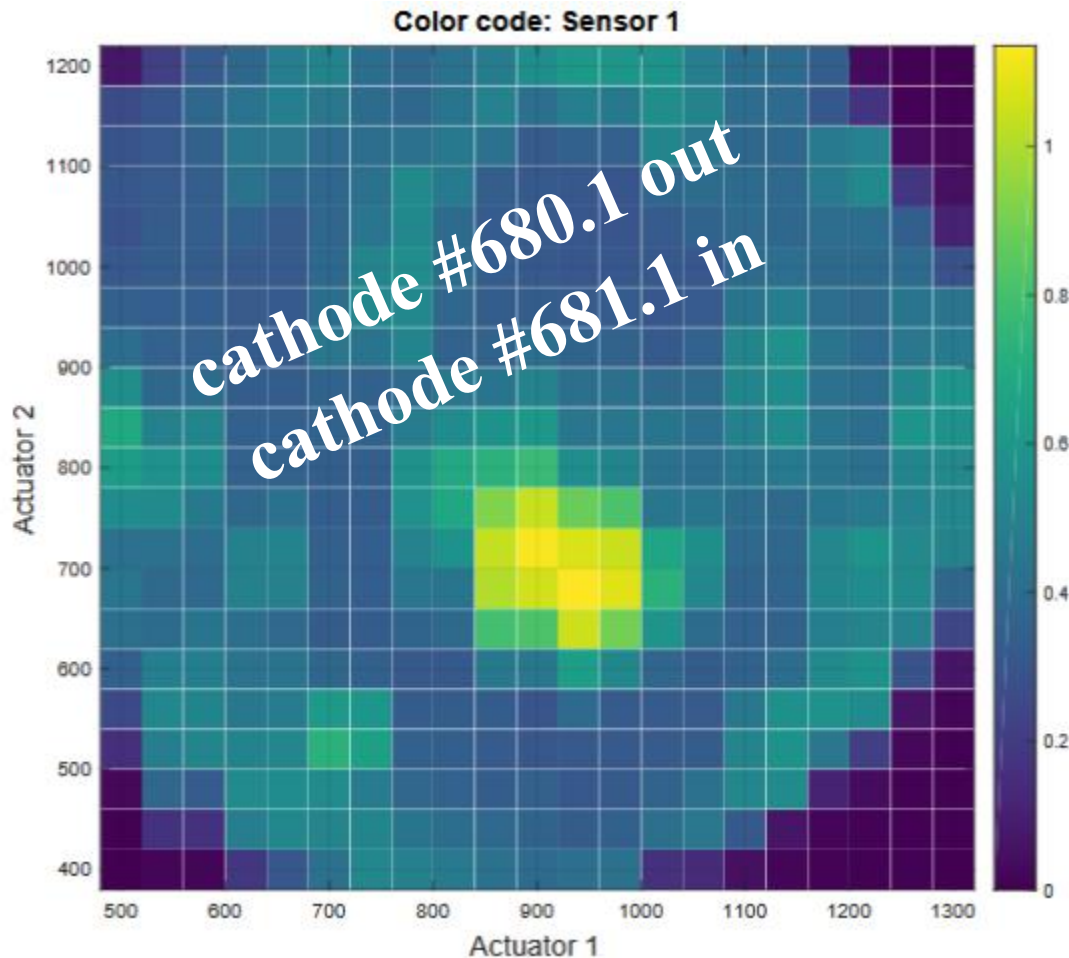
→ effective spot size on cathode reduced (!?)



→ Recheck in 01.2020

Re-measured QE map in 01.2020 for the same cathode

→ decision made for cathode exchange on 14th Jan. 2020



10.01.2020 10:55 brinker

QE Map, BSA 0.2mm, 30 bunches

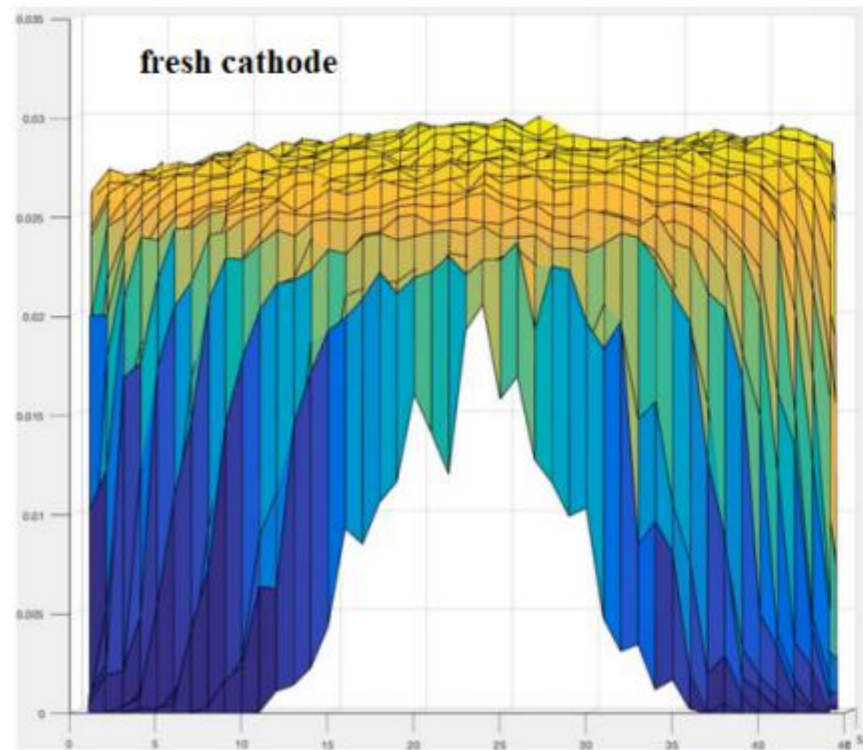
The property XFEL.DIAG/CHARGE.ML/TORA.25.I1/CHARGE.TRAIN delivers the sum over the train.
So for the peak value of 1.1 nC we have 36 pC bunch charge

This elogbook entry was sent to following experts:
Lederer Decking Noelle

- the worn Cs₂Te cathode has been in operation for **5+ years**
- **natural degradation** shows up causing observable effects
- its **performance** was already very **impressive**

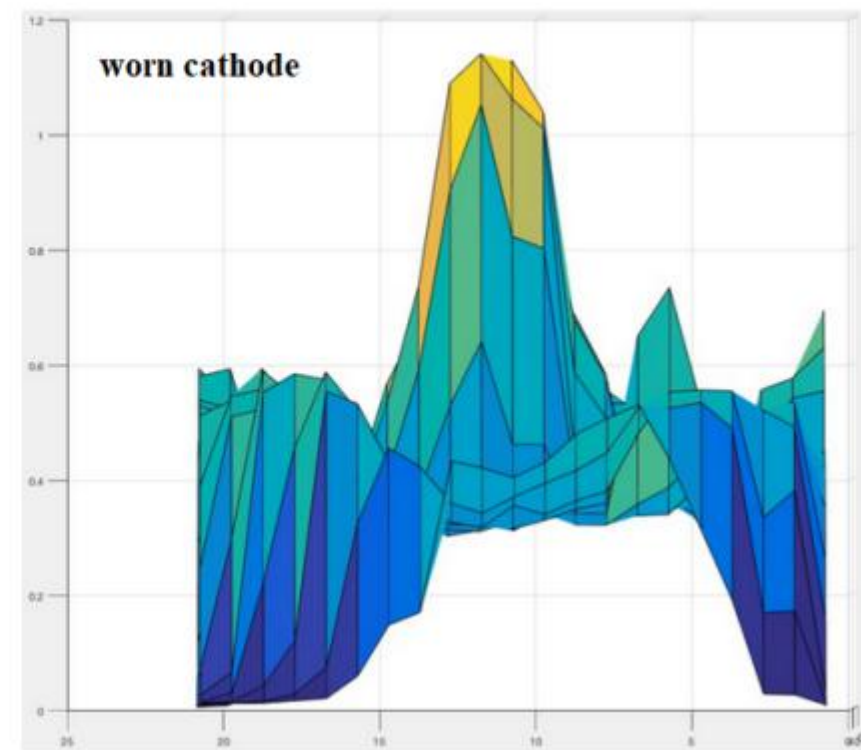
Homogeneity of measured QE maps (projections) before & after the exchange

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cathode #681.1 (in)

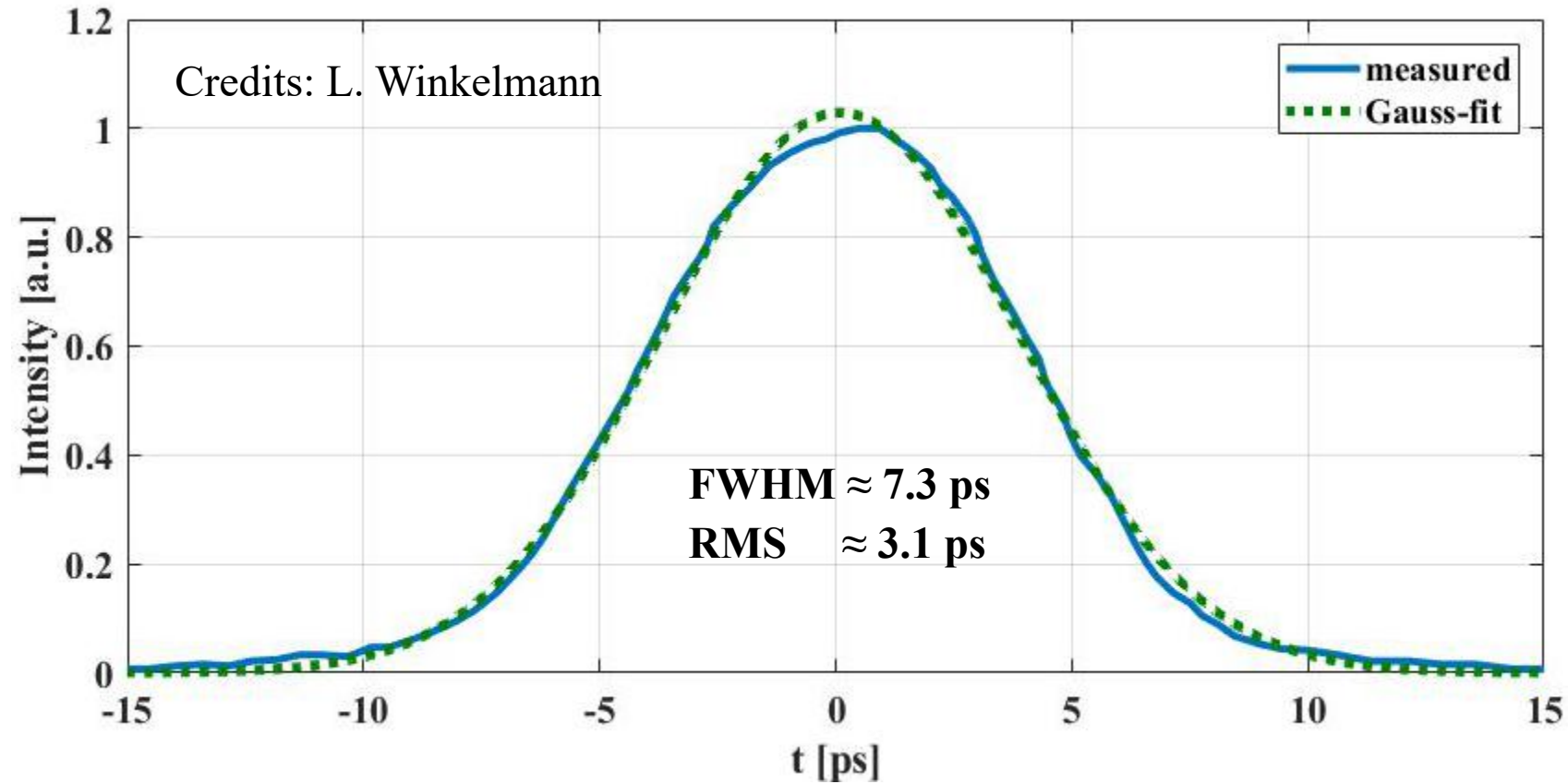
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cathode #680.1 (already out)

Measurements of temporal cathode UV laser profile

→ measured / cross-checked with streak camera & autocorrelation



Summary

What observed?

→ **QE & QE map homogeneity degreation**

Why important?

→ **affecting e-bunch production via photoemission** (convolution of QE map & laser intensity distribution)

→ **affecting emission dynamics** (accelerator working point shifted to stronger space-charge regime)

NB: not only the QE map, but also the degradation of laser intensity map, temporal profile, cathode surface conditions could result in similar effects.

How to improve?

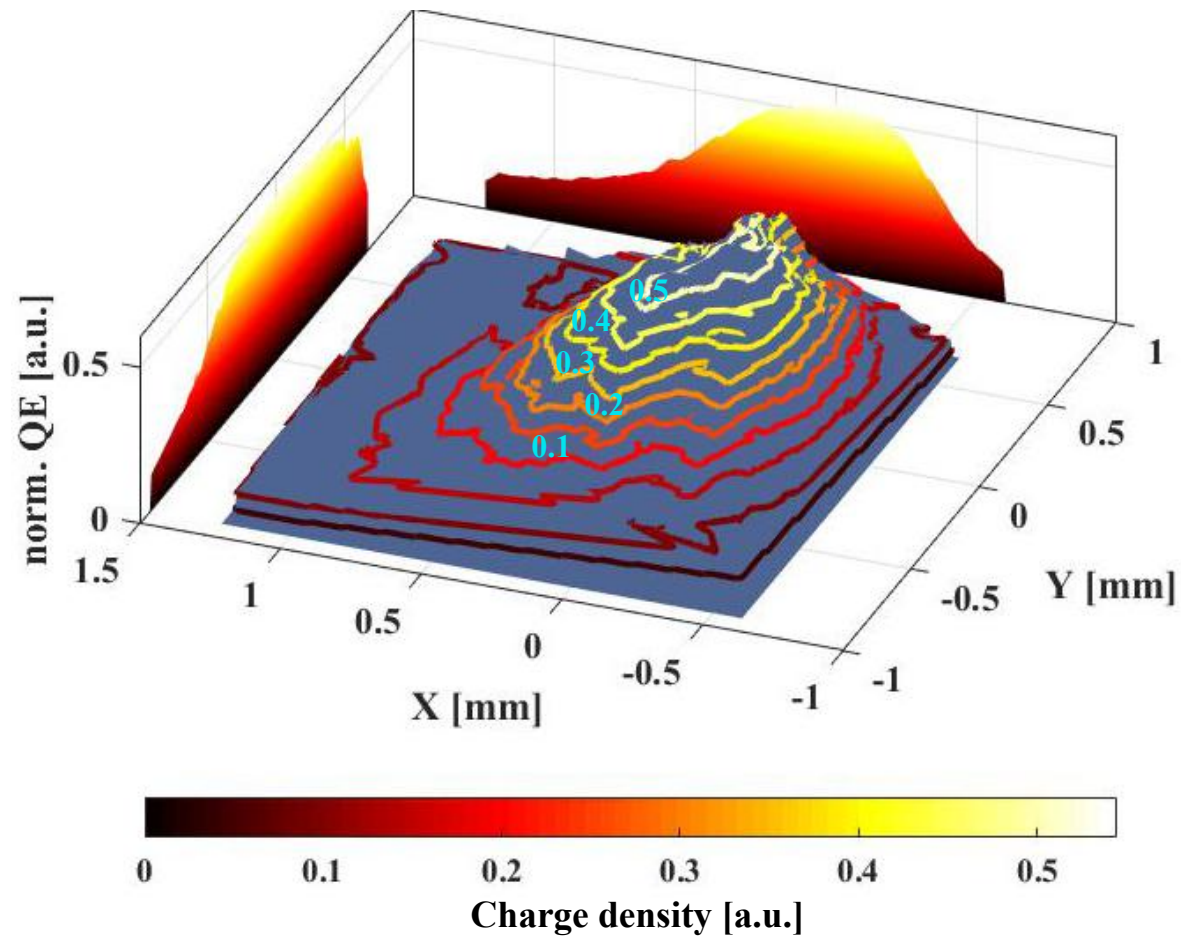
→ **model produced e-bunch based on routinely updated measurements**

→ **consider it for beam dynamics with a proper numerical tool** (presumably in 3D)

MODELING OF 3D E-BUNCH VIA PHOTOEMISSION

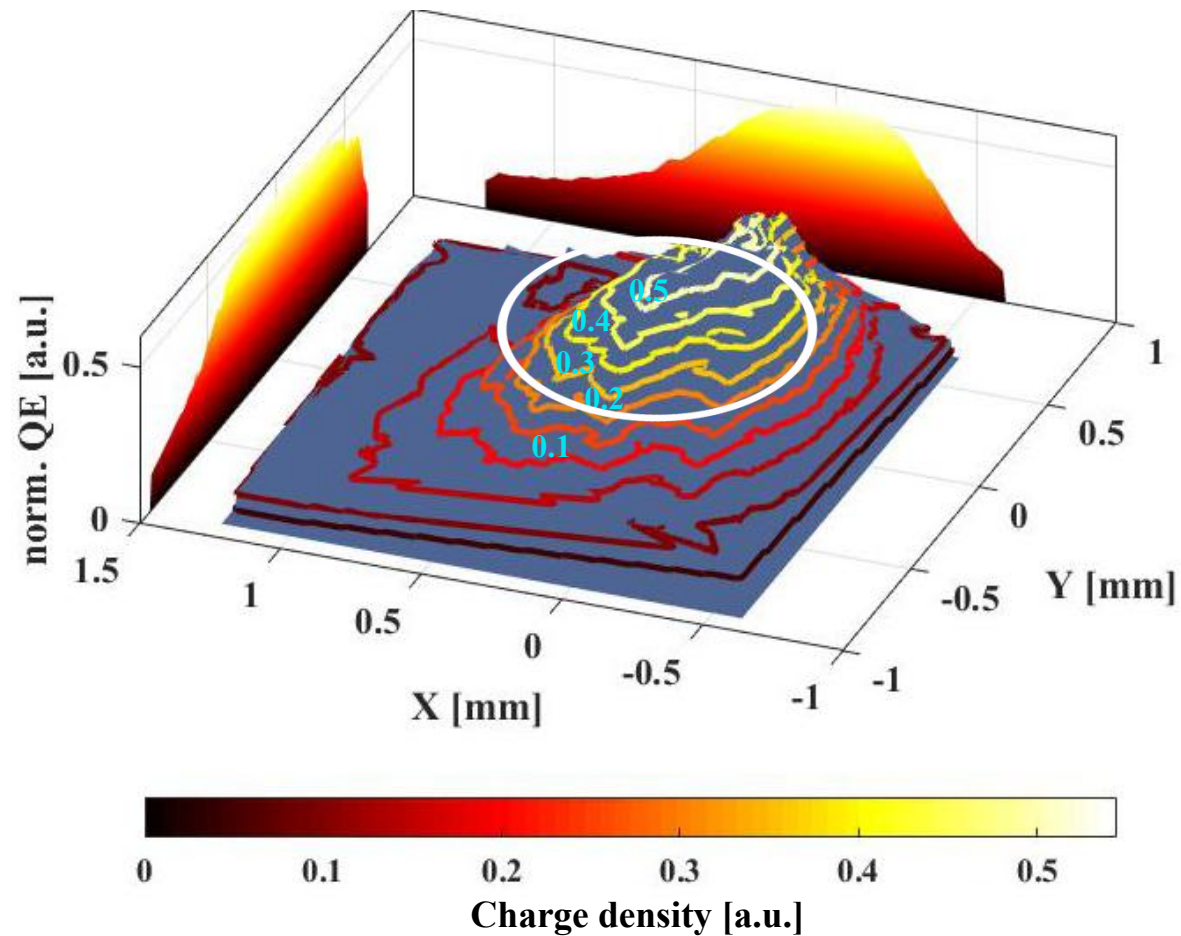
Quantum efficiency map (measured) of Cs₂Te thin film

→ an extensively used photocathode (after 5+ years operation at XFEL)



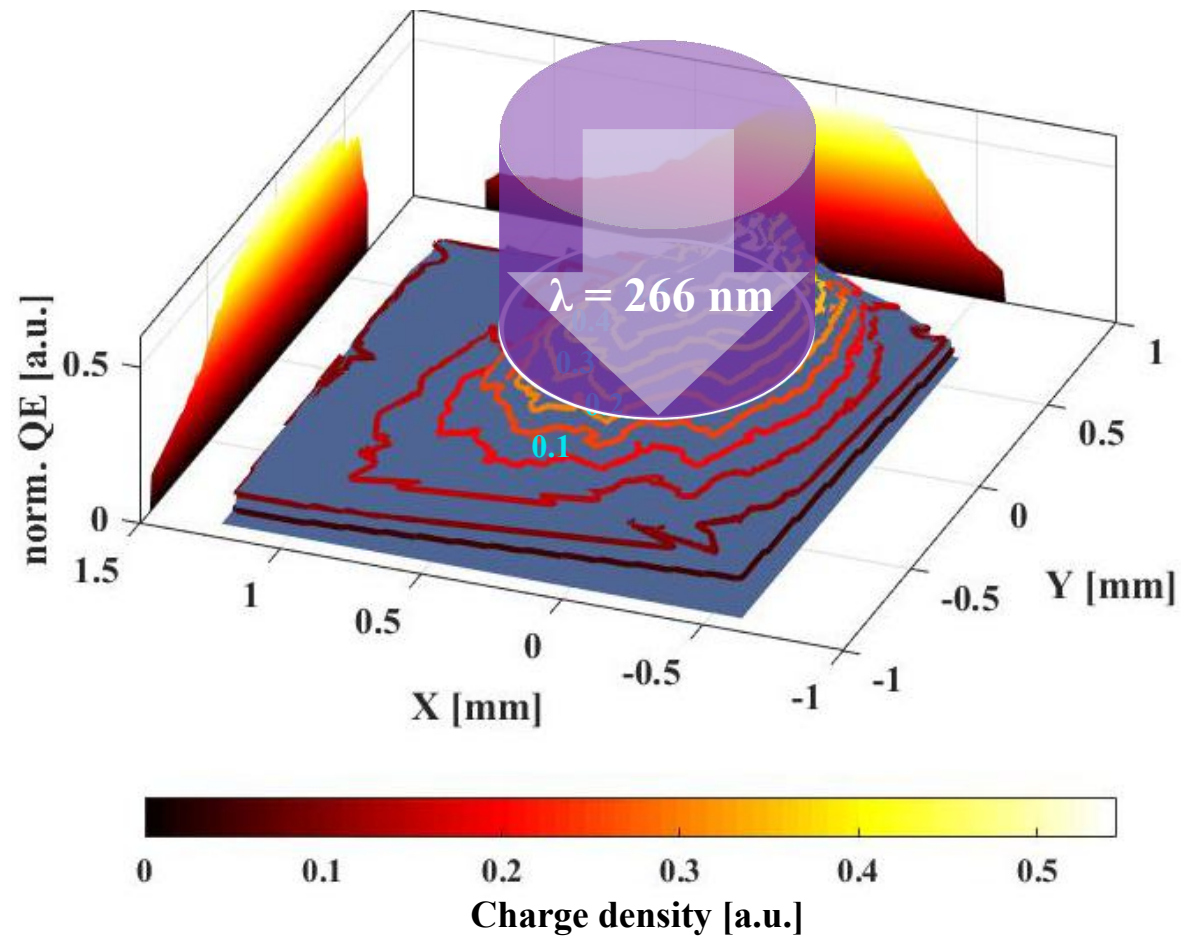
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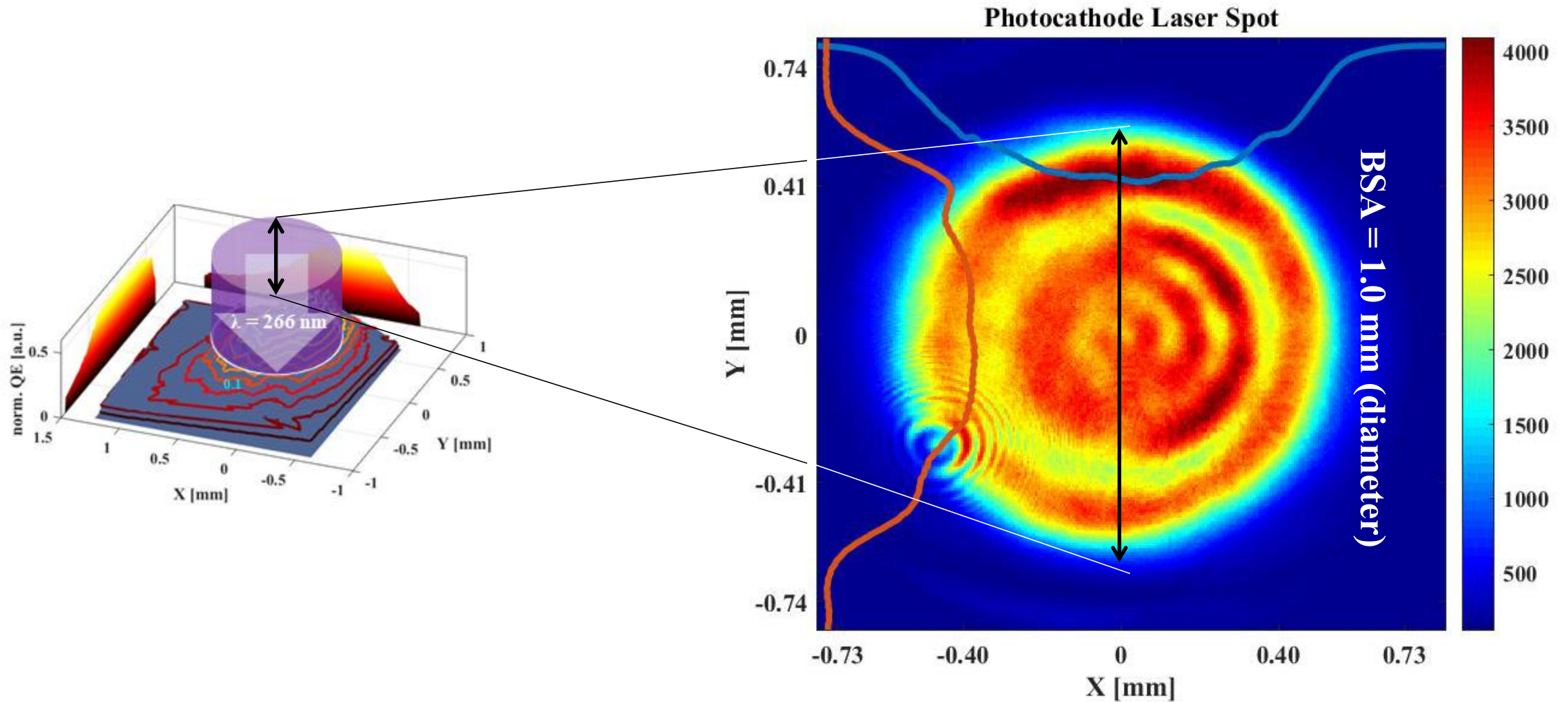
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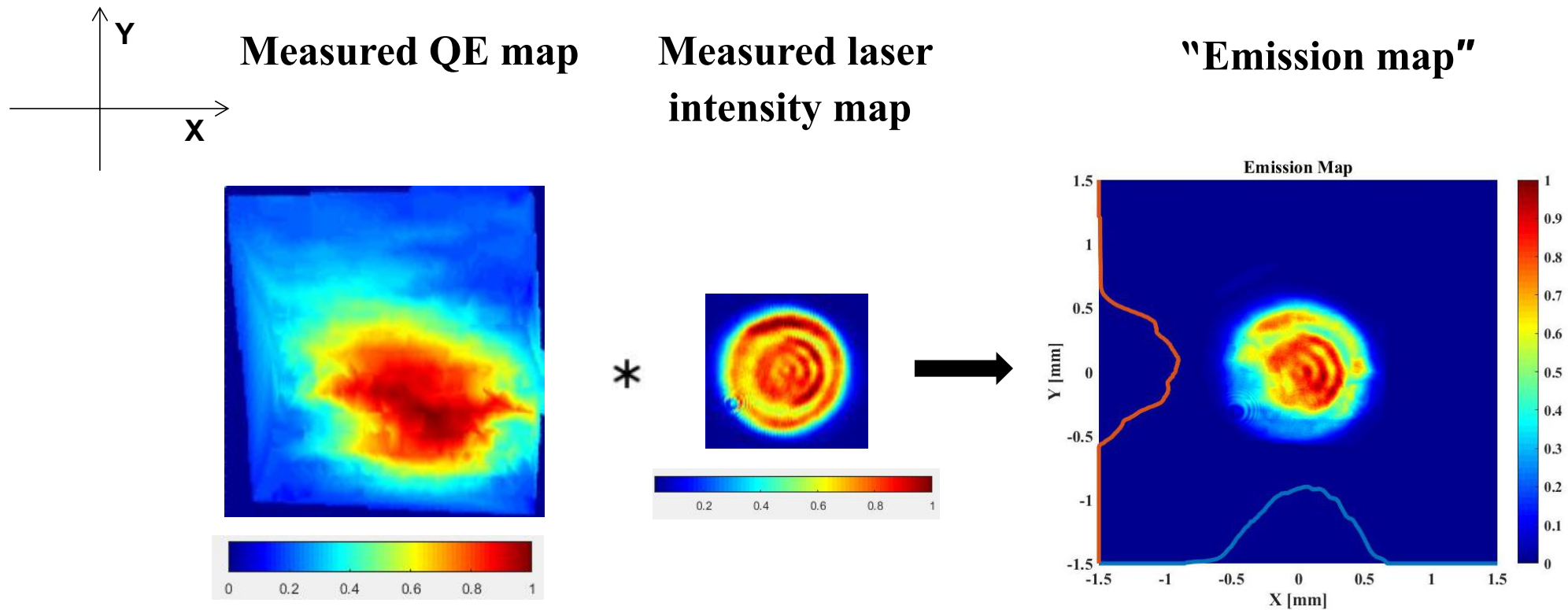


Photocathode drive laser spot (measured)

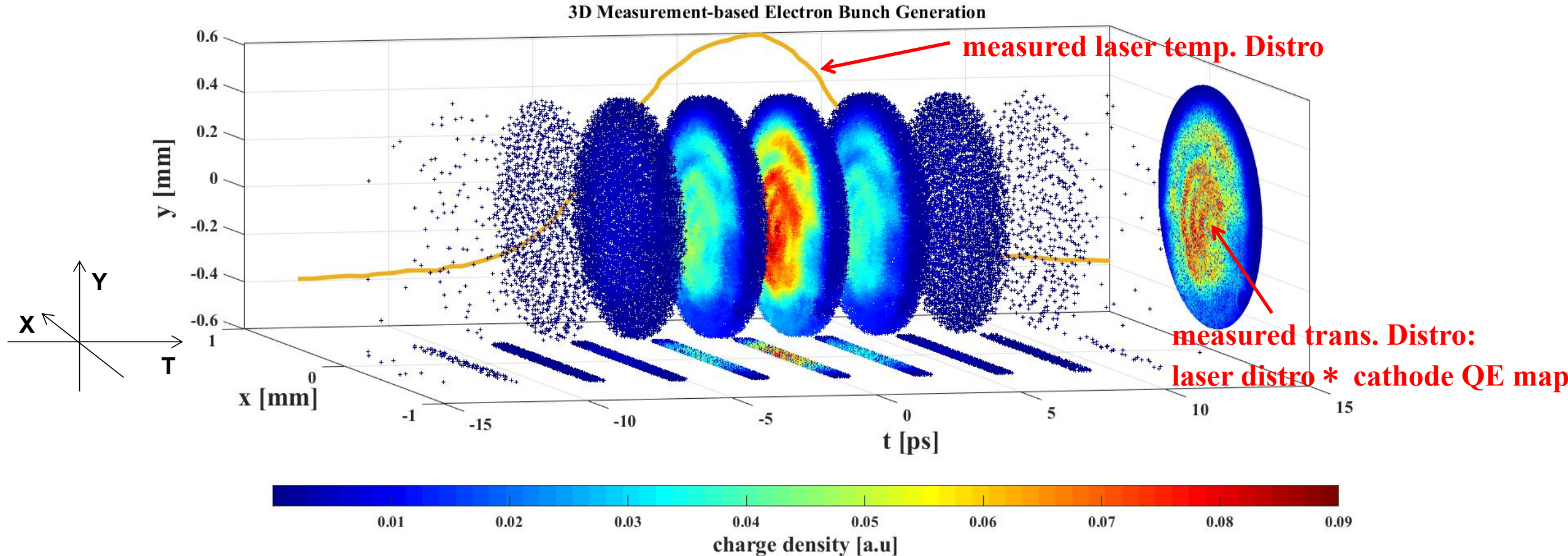
→ shaped trans. distro. with beam shaping aperture (BSA)



Measurement-based **3D e-bunch** generation at photocathode (**transverse**)



Measurement-based 3D e-bunch generation at photocathode (transverse & temporal)



- Laser spot size \neq e-bunch size on cathode
- Laser spot distribution \neq e-bunch distribution
- For the old cathode, transverse e-bunch size reduced by $\sim 17\%$ w.r.t. laser spot size
- Re-locating laser spot on the emissive area could not solve the issue due to large QE map inhomogeneties

USING REALISTIC E-BUNCHES FOR BEAM DYNAMICS

Simulation tools

- **KRACK3 (3D)**, Martin Dohlus, gun / injector simulations

3D space-charge (SP-CH) solver from cathode

Introduction: http://www.desy.de/fel-beam/data/talks/files/2017.00.31_11_26_26_53_1_NonUnifCathode.pdf

- **ASTRA (2D/3D)**, Klaus Floettmann, gun / injector simulations

- **OCELOT**, Sergey Tomin, particle tracking with collective effects, gun → undulators

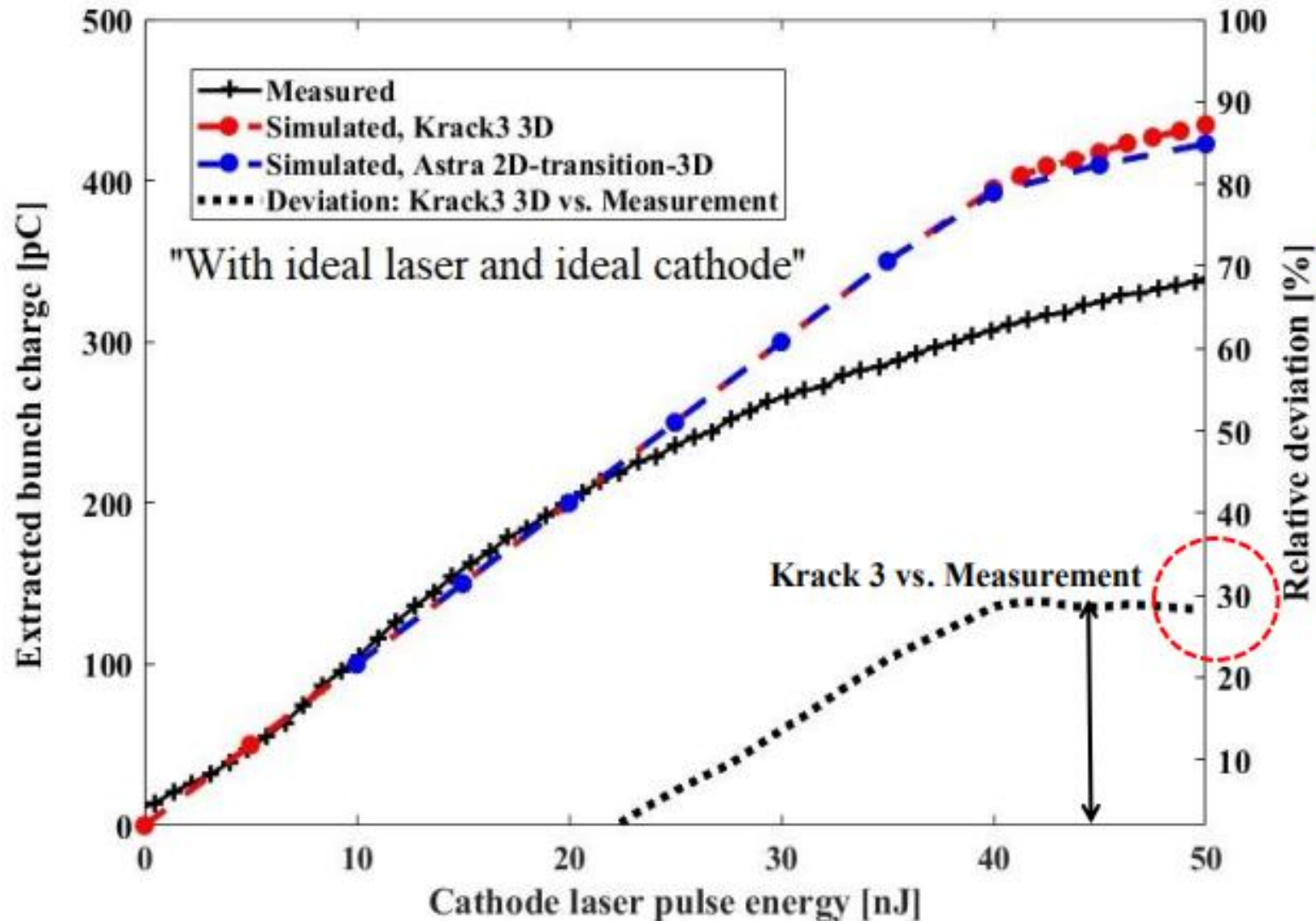
- **Naming convention in this talk**

- **Krack3 3D:** 3D SP-CH solver from cathode (start-to-end)

- **Astra 2D-transition-3D:**

- ▶ Transition from cylindrical symmetric SP-CH algorithm to 3D SP-CH algorithm at e.g. $z=10$ cm where image-charge no longer plays

Improving beam (emission) dynamics (1)



Using **ideal** e-bunches

Krack 3 vs. Measurement

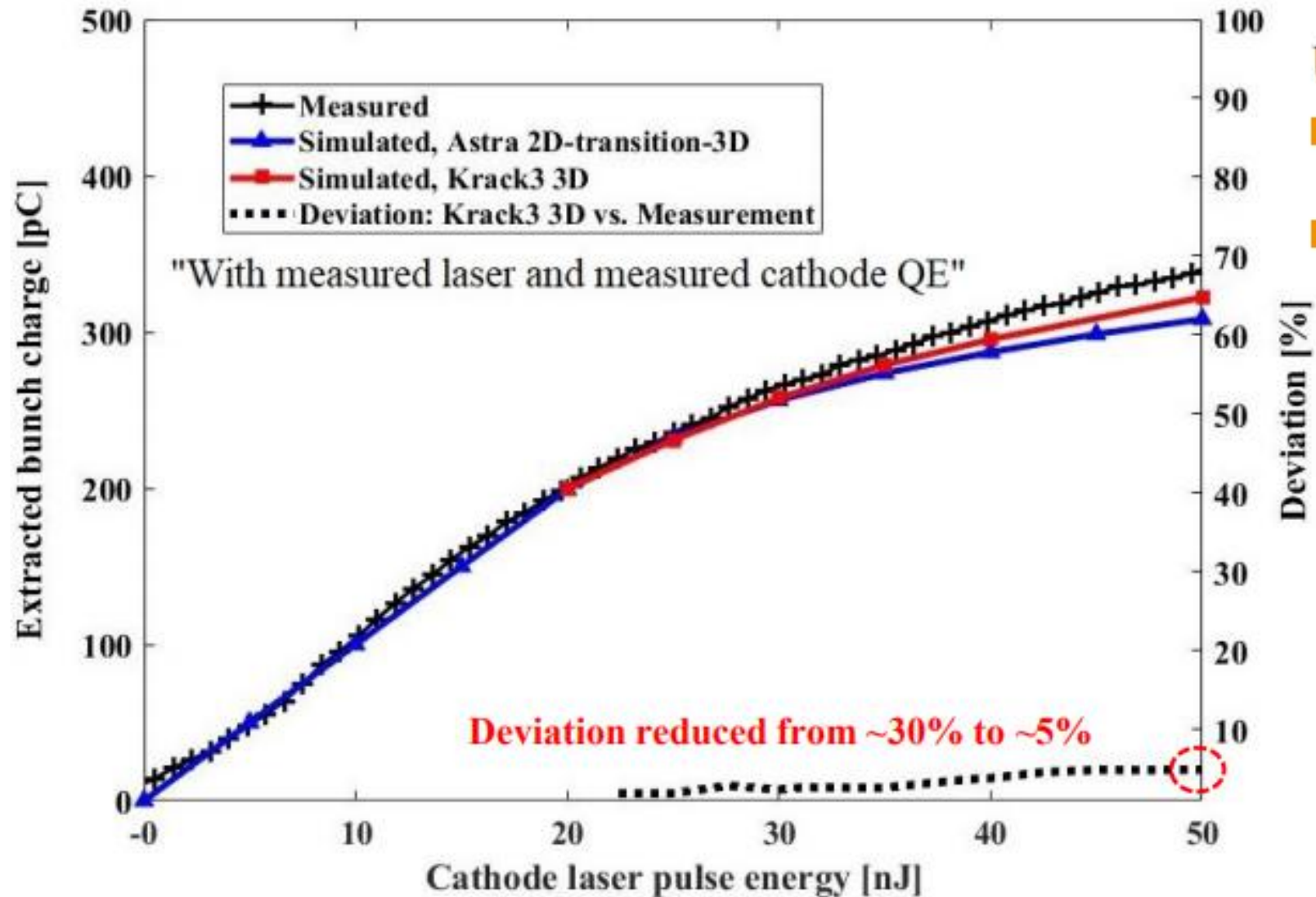
→ **large deviations up to 30%**

Astra 2D-transition-3D vs. Krack 3

→ tiny numerical difference



Improving beam (emission) dynamics (2)



Using **asymmetric e-bunches**

Krack 3 vs. Measurement

→ **significant improvements**

Astra vs. Krack 3

→ Astra can **still** provide a **good approximation** for the case with asymmetric bunches

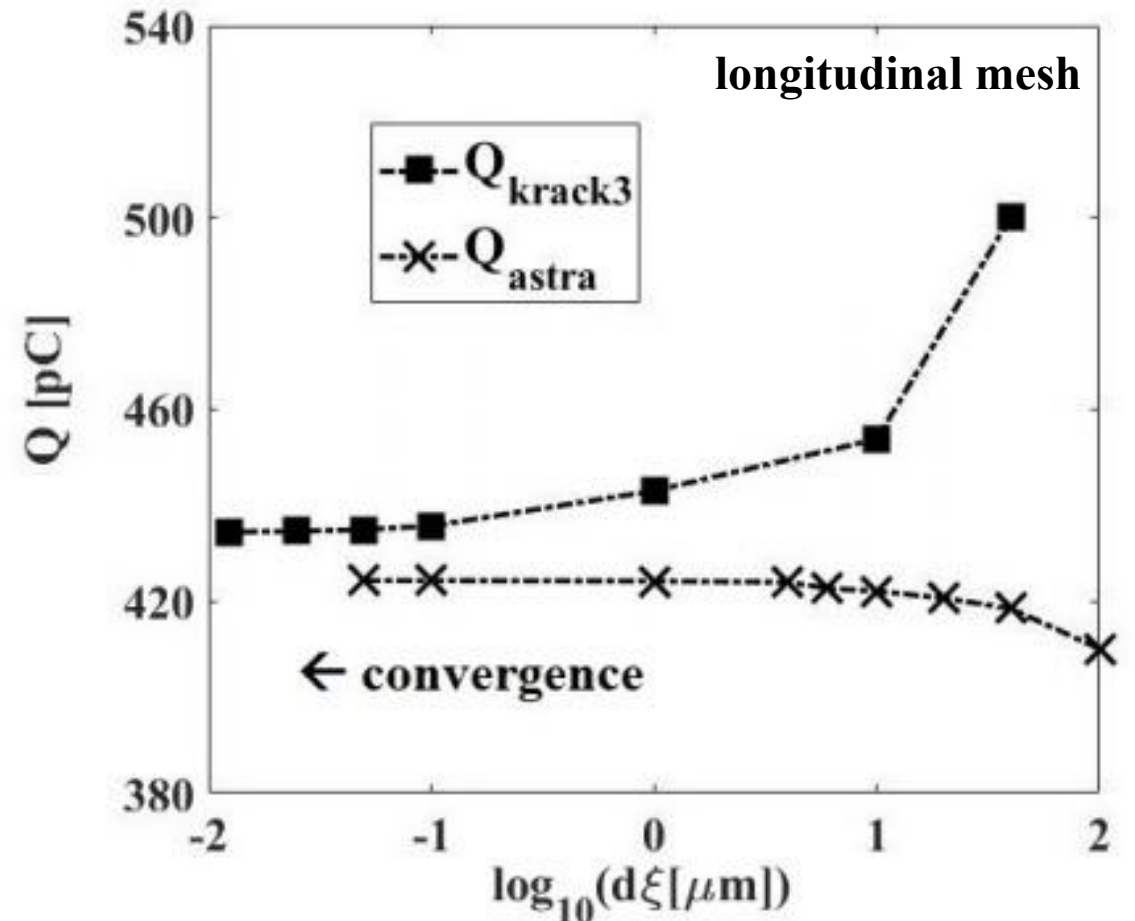
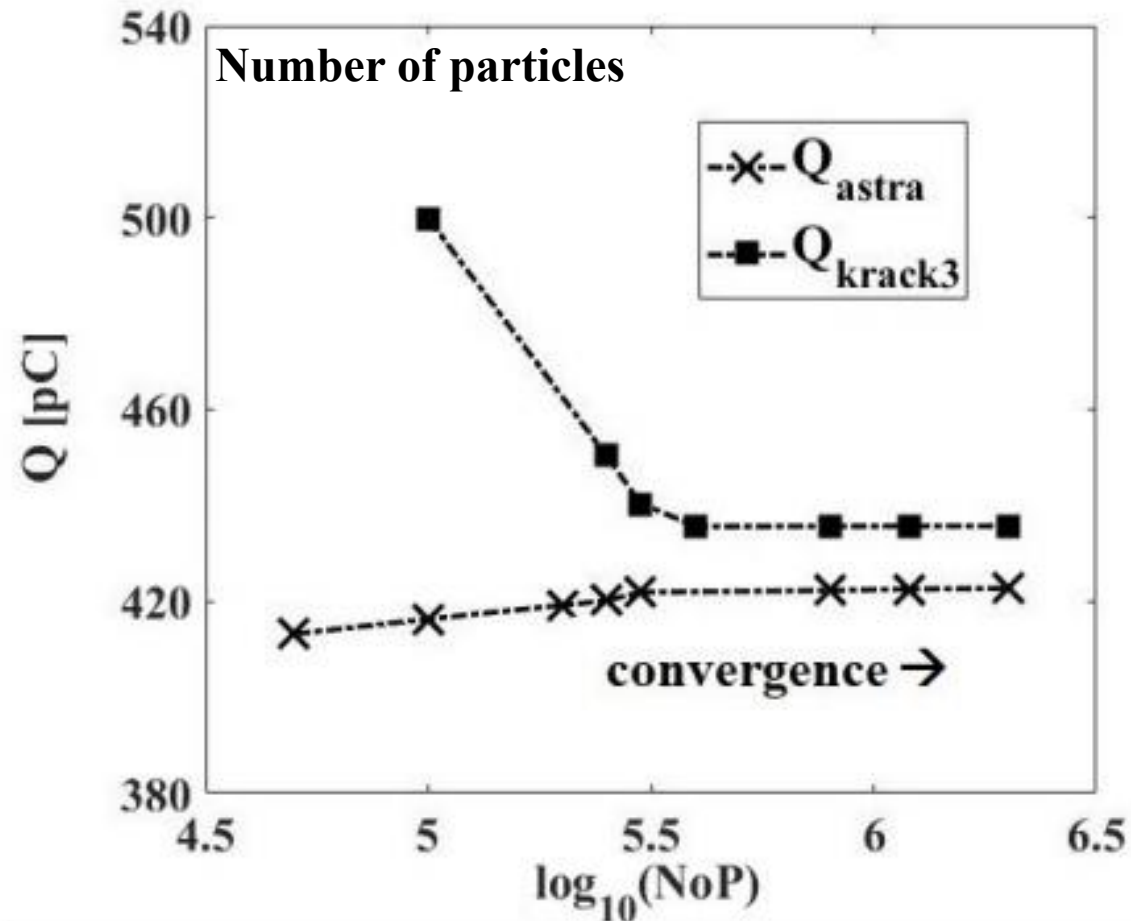
(depends on where the working point settles along the emission curve)



Extensive convergence studies performed in Krack 3 & Astra

- First done by Martin, then rechecked by Ye and Igor
- **Numerical convergence rechecked in terms of / combinations of**
 - Number of simulation particles (up to 2M) → **sensitive**
 - Longitudinal mesh dz (down to ~10nm) → **sensitive**
 - Simulation time step (down to ~25fs)
 - Transverse mesh steps (≥ 50 steps per sigma)

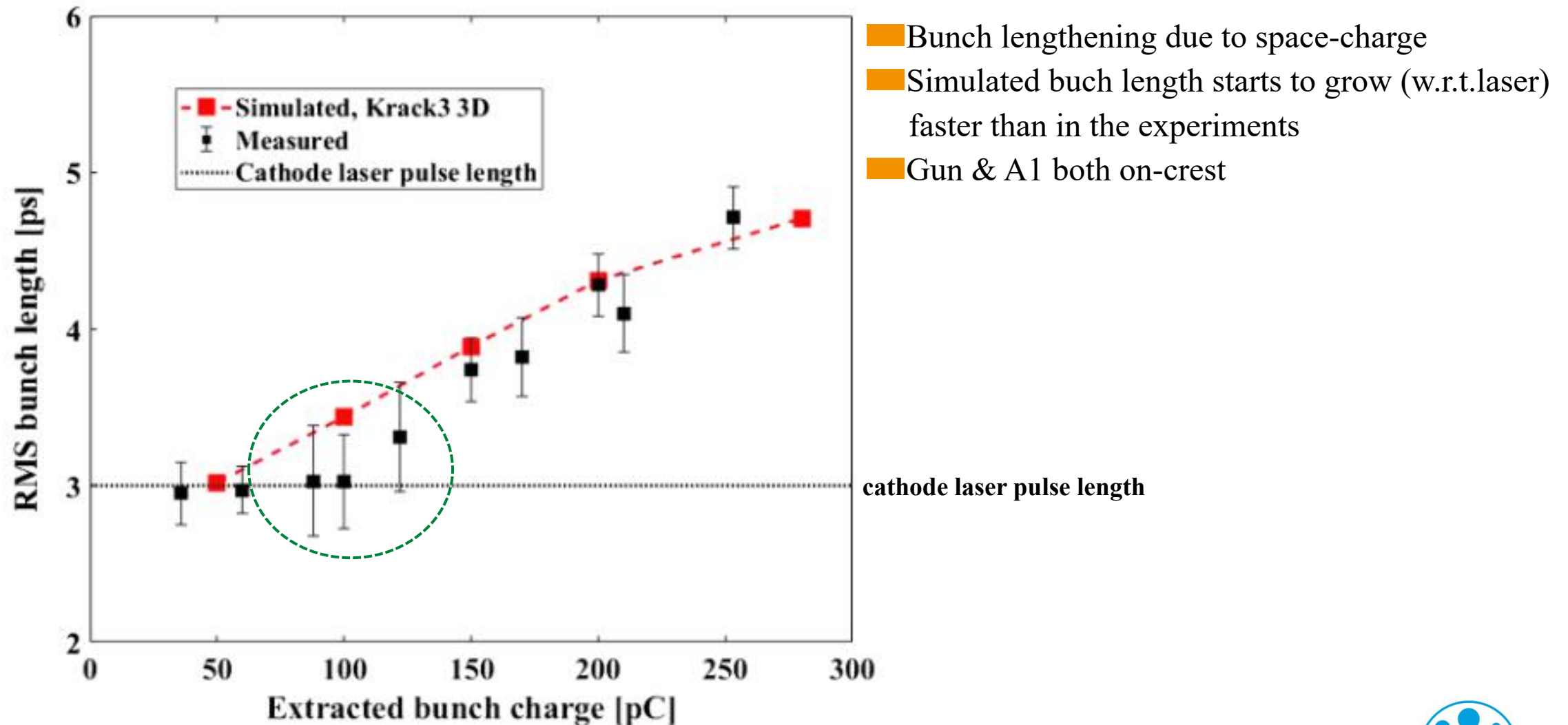
An example



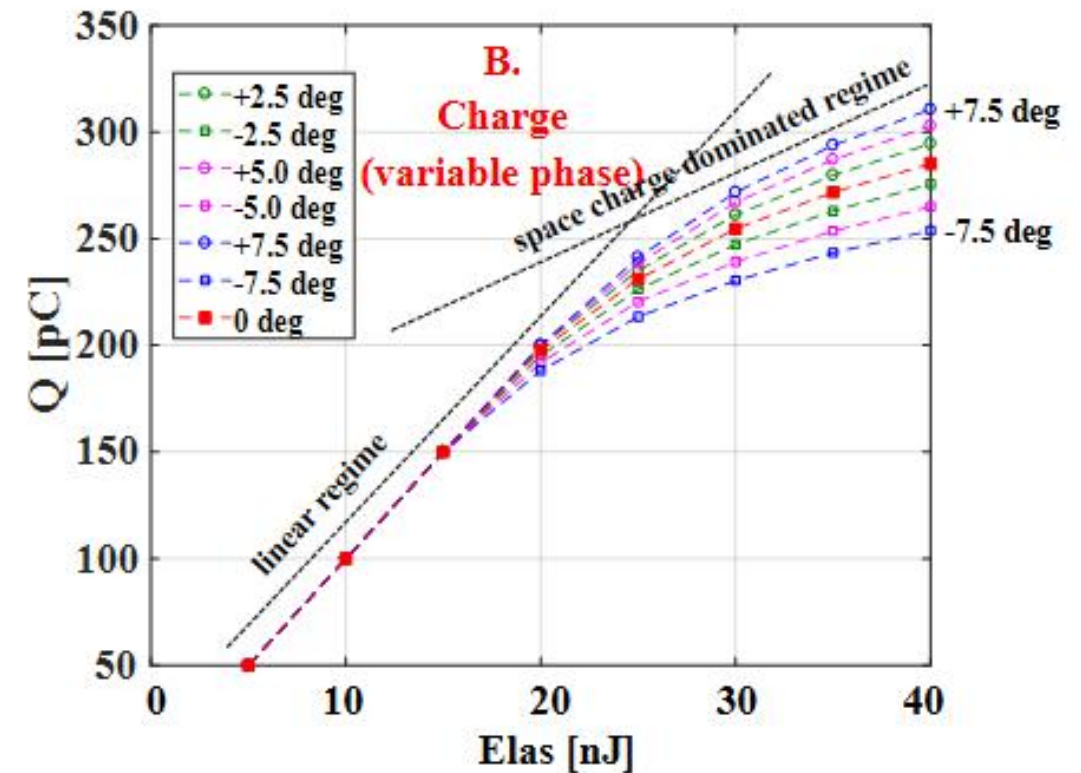
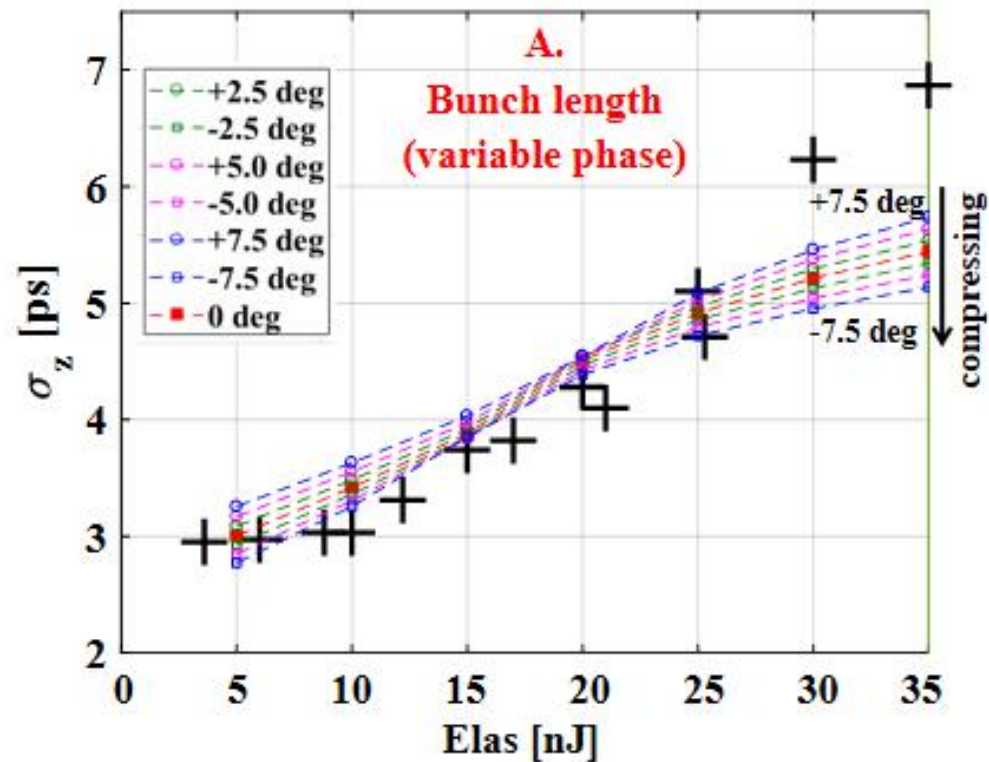
Both codes converging, however, to slightly different bunch charges

BUNCH LENGTH & SHAPE AT INJECTOR EXIT

Bunch length vs. bunch charge (130 MeV at injector exit)



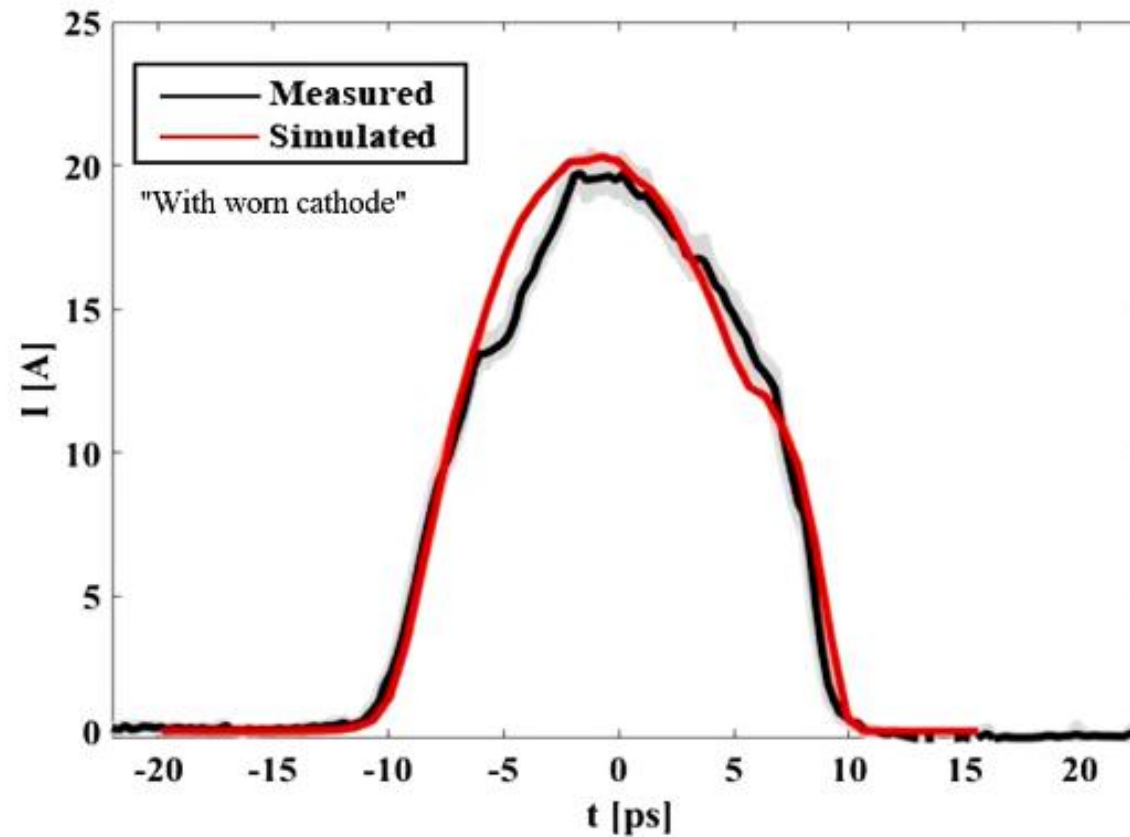
Behavior of bunch lengthening w.r.t. gun phasing (in astra)



- Linear regime in B: bunch length in A is phase dependent
- Space charge dominated regime in B: compression leads to stronger charge loss, even shorter bunch length in A
- Phase variation seems not reproducing the behaviors observed in the measurements**

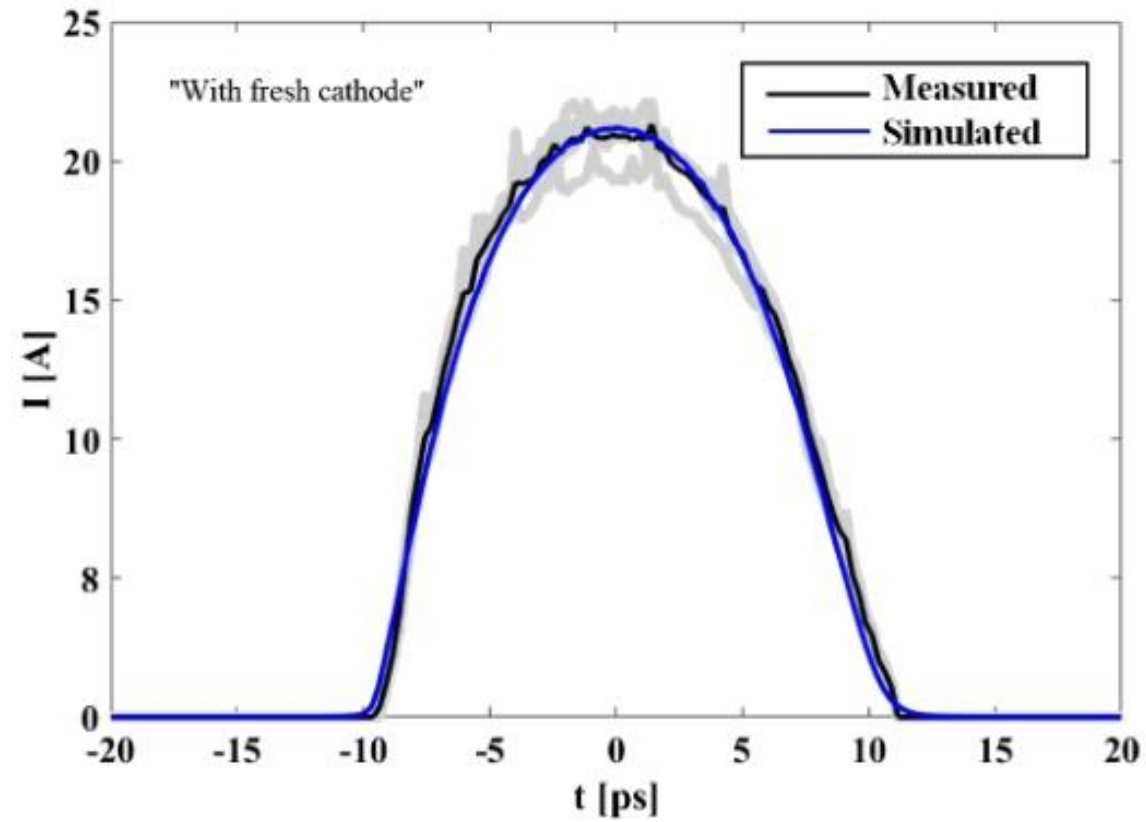
Bunch shape: with **worn cathode**, 130 MeV, 250 pC, injector exit

close bunch length but no agreement on the bunch shape



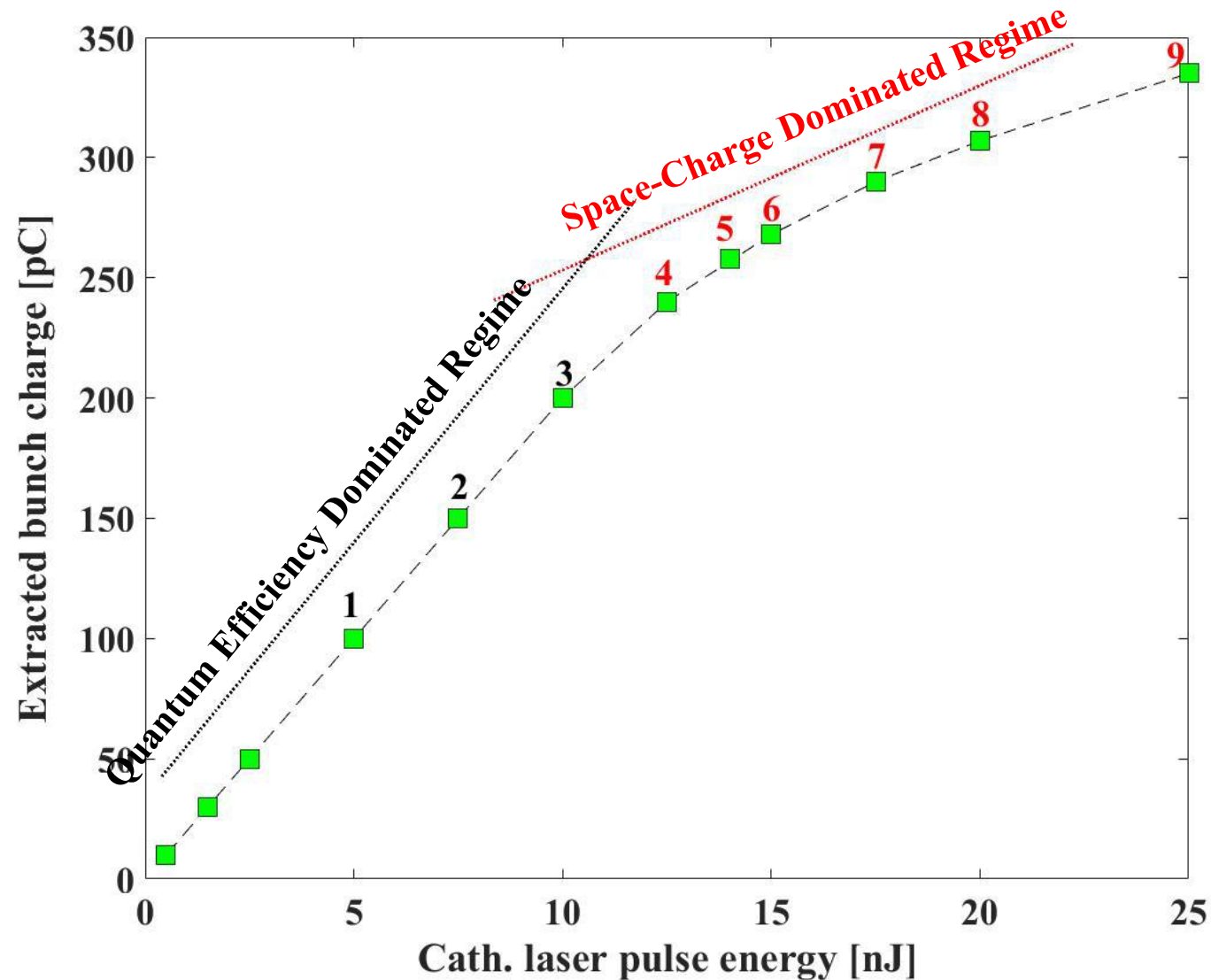
Bunch shape: with **fresh cathode**, 130 MeV, 250 pC, injector exit

close bunch length and similar bunch shape

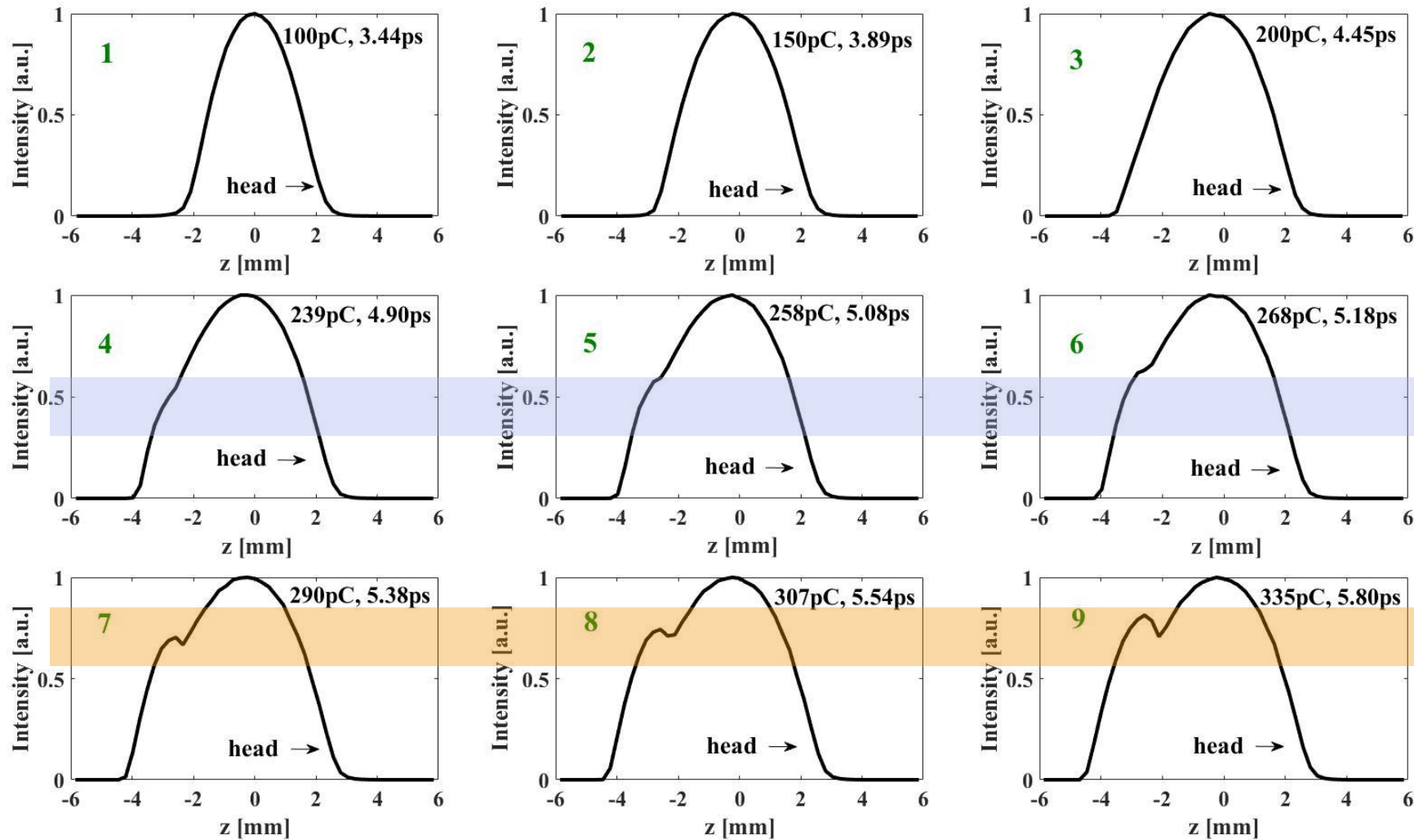


Simulation studies on bunch shapes due to space-charge

→ defining several cases (working conditions) for simulations

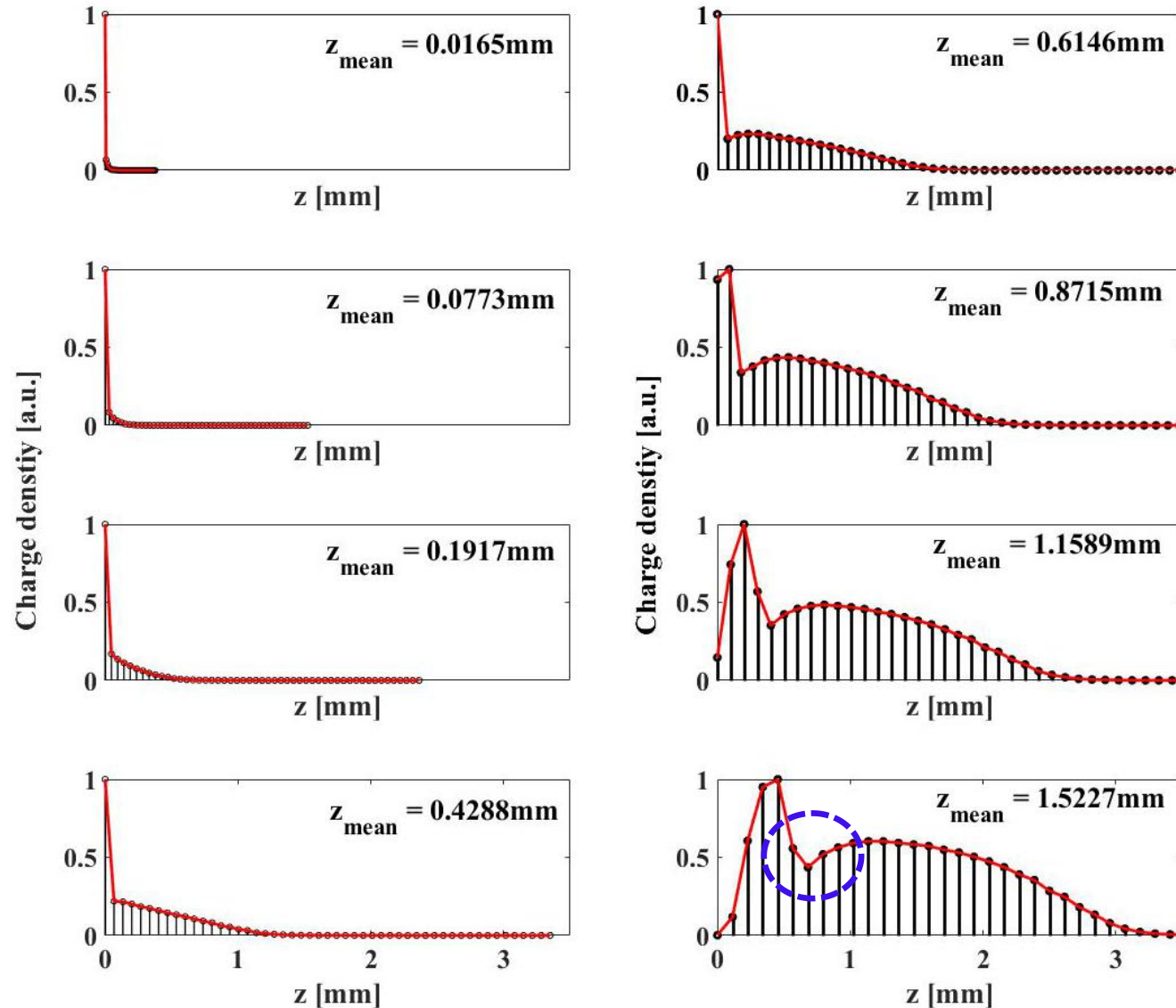


Simulated bunch shapes vs. space-charge (worn cathode case)



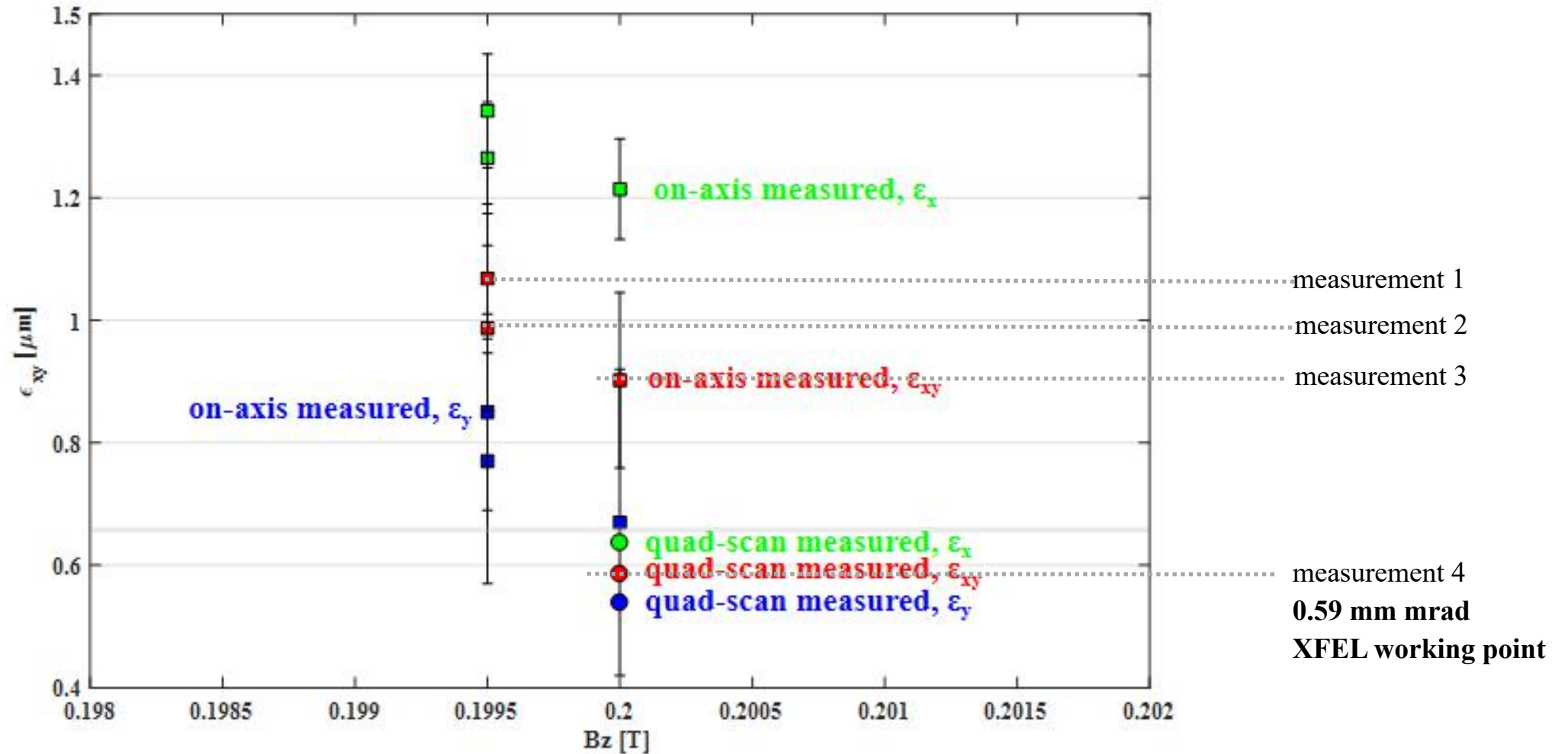
An example: curvature formation in bunch profile

→ strongly space-charge affected case



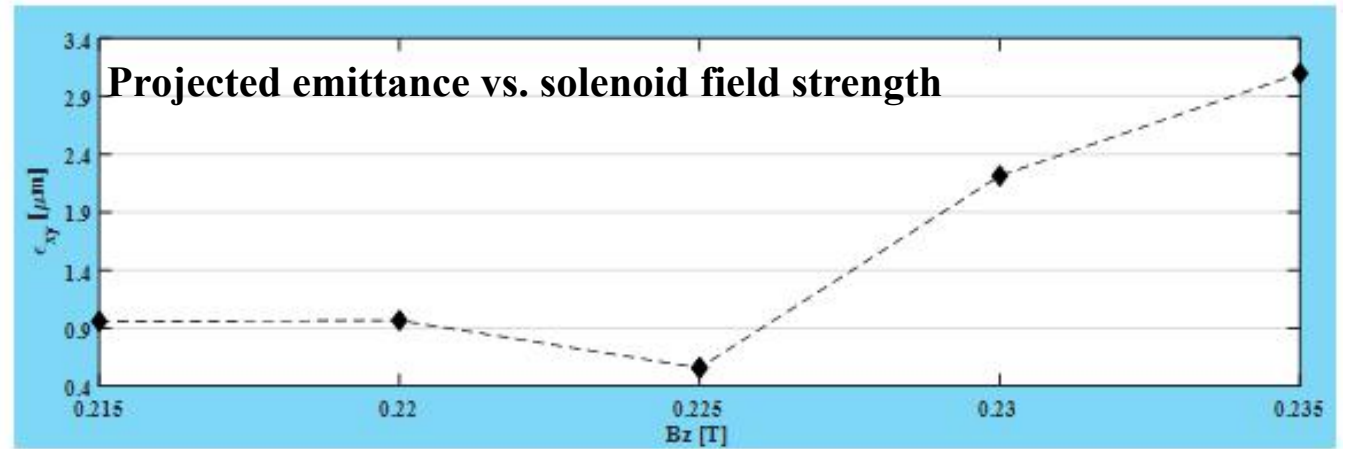
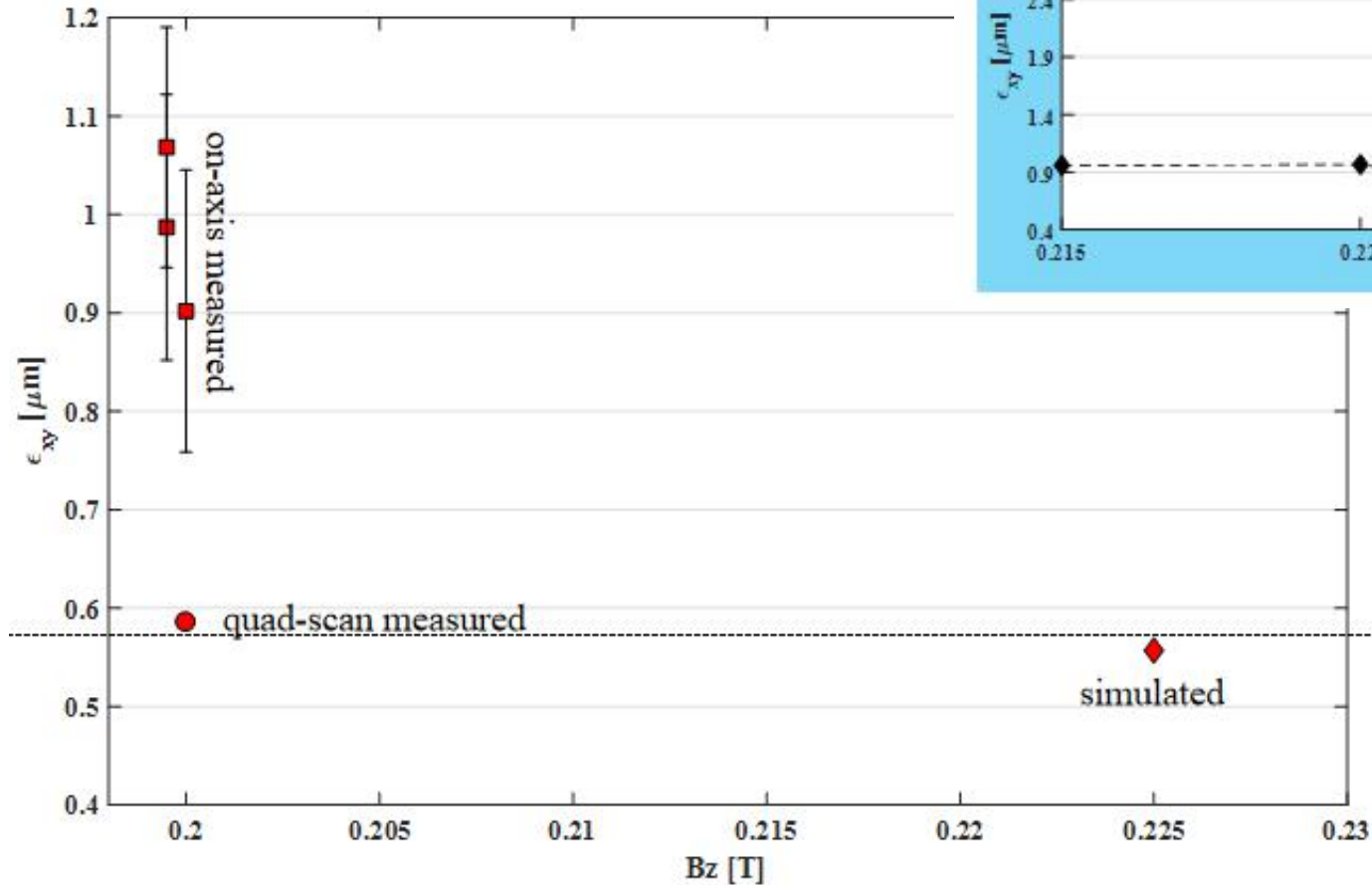
ON EMITTANCE (ONLY OLD DATA)
→ new systematical studies by Yauhen in a later talk

Measured projected emittance (old data, worn cathode)



→ on-axis measured emittance higher than quad-scan (could be by chance)

Simulations for the old data



- Quad scan vs. simulation → **close**
- Discrepancy in simulated solenoid strength for opt. emittance → **within 10%**
- Central slice emittance **0.46 μm**

CODE DEVELOPMENT: STATISTICAL PHOTOCATHODE SIMULATION AT XFEL

A Monte-Carlo approach developed for cathode simulations at XFEL

■ Goal (cathode performance evaluation) & Status (coding finished)

■ Features

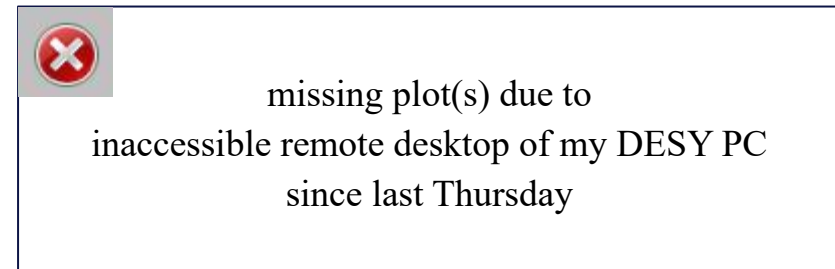
- Density of States based
- MC modeling of scattering effects (electron-electron, electron-hole, electron-phonon)
- implemented in Matlab, flexibilities to incorporate with Martin's "eddy gun" solver and Krack 3

■ Benchmarking

- comparisons with INFN data & simulations (→ O.K.)
- applications to response time measurements

■ Matlab-Package for photocathode gun simulations

- XFEL MC code (cathode properties)
- Eddy gun (consideration of field penetration)
- Krack 3 (3D particle tracking with valid image-charge on cathode)



Thank you for your attention!