



Space Charge in High Current Lower Energy Electron Bunches



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- Self acceleration: Results from CSRtrack vs. GPT vs. HOMDYN
- Self acceleration: Theoretically
- GPT: The applied calculation method
- Longitudinal phase space
- Spatial distribution
- Considering slices

“Extreme” case:

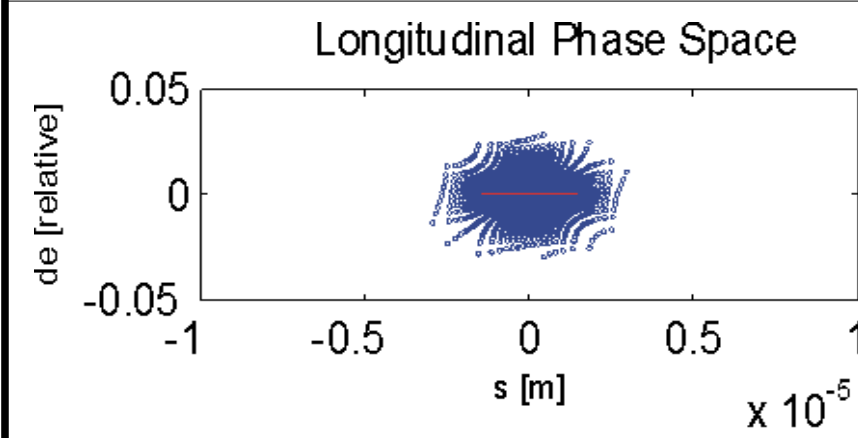
- PIC-Simulations $\rightarrow \sigma_x = \sigma_y = \sigma_z = 1 \mu\text{m}$
- Charge: 1.25 nC $\rightarrow I = 150 \text{ kA}$
- Initial distribution: Gaussian

Comparison between CSRtrack and GPT

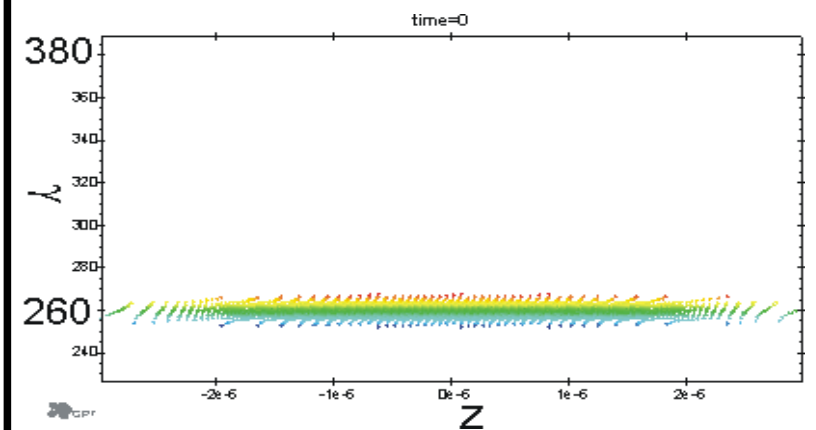
Self Acceleration

Initial distribution

CSRtrack

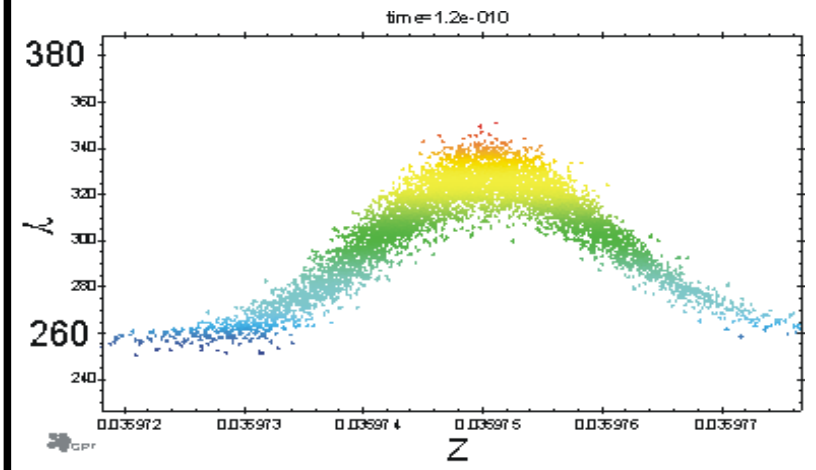
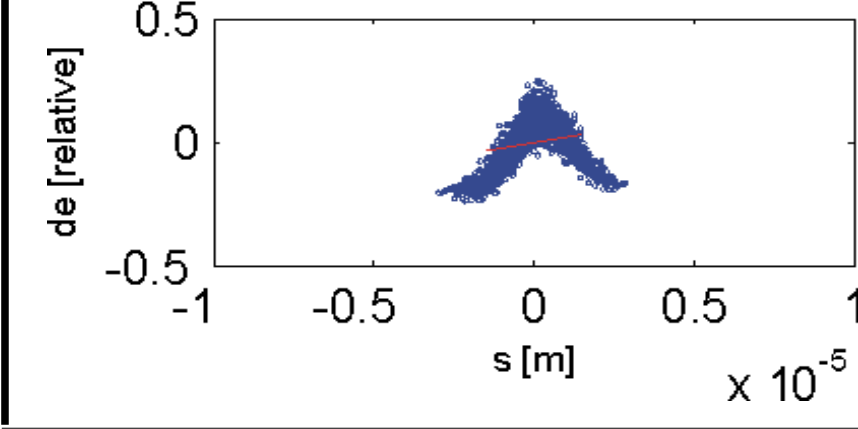


GPT



After a free drift of approx. 20mm

Longitudinal Phase Space

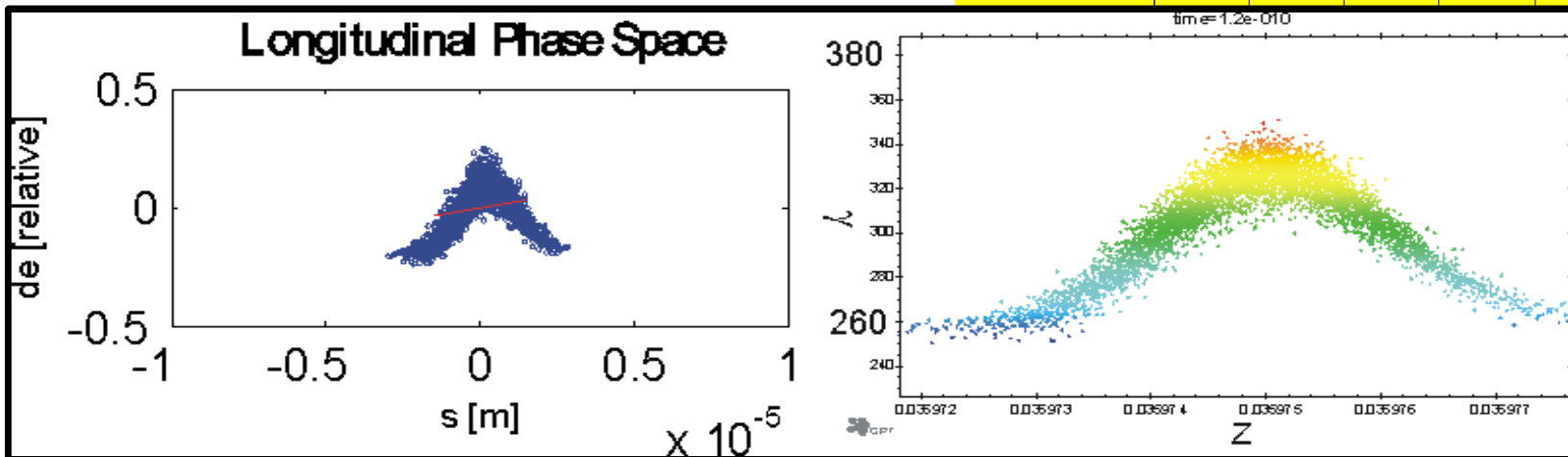
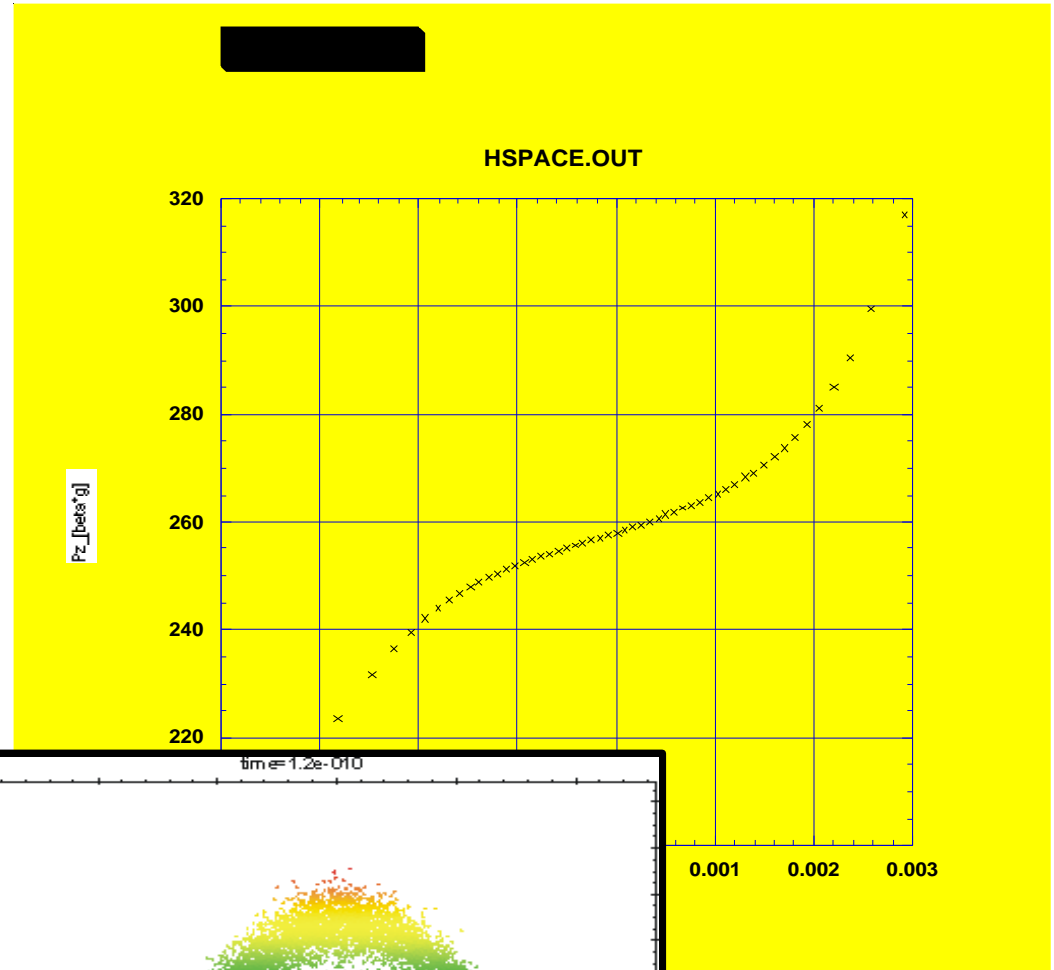


Gain of kinetic energy of approx. 20%

Self Acceleration

HOMDYN results do not comply to CSRtrack and GPT, predicting strong “debunching”.

Looking for the origin of these contradictions is work in progress



Electron's rest frame:

Potential energy leads to a mass defect: $E_{pot} = m_d c^2$

Total energy in the electrons' mean rest frame:

$$E' = E_0 + E_{pot} = m_0 c^2 + E_{pot} = (m_0 + m_d) c^2$$

$$E' = m' c^2 = \gamma' m_0 c^2 \text{ after potential energy "released"}$$

Potential energy in average is estimated to be of the order of **100 keV / electron**

Mean Lorentz factor due to Coulomb explosion:

$$\gamma' = 1 + \frac{m_d}{m_0}$$

Laboratory frame: Electron bunch is leaves the bubble with γ_0

Total energy:

$$E = \gamma_0 m' c^2 = \gamma_0 m_0 c^2 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{m_d}{m_0}\right)$$

$$E = \gamma_0 \gamma' m_0 c^2 = \gamma m_0 c^2 \text{ after potential energy "released"}$$

- GPT adapts time steps dynamically
- Calculation precision is defined by relative momentum changes stepwise
- Space charge is considered point to point using Lorentz transformation. Calculation time $t \sim N^2$

For equation of motion:

$$\mathbf{F}_i = q(\mathbf{E}_i + \mathbf{v}_i \times \mathbf{B}_i)$$

Interaction in rest frame:

$$\mathbf{E}'_{j \rightarrow i} = \frac{Q\mathbf{r}'_{ji}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |\mathbf{r}'_{ji}|^3}$$

From Lorentz transformations:

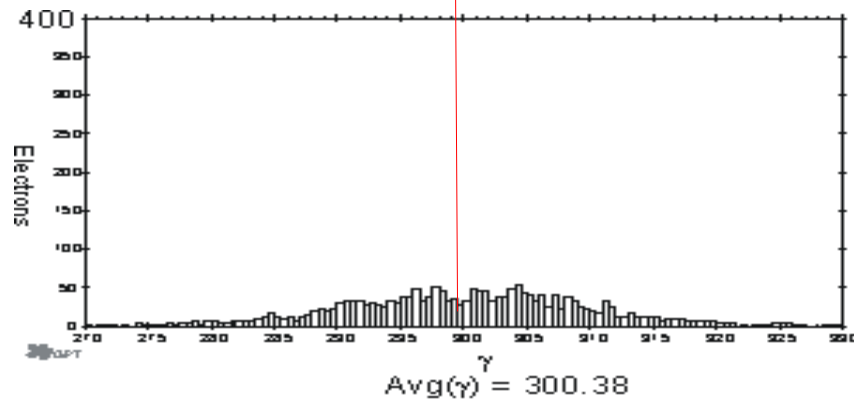
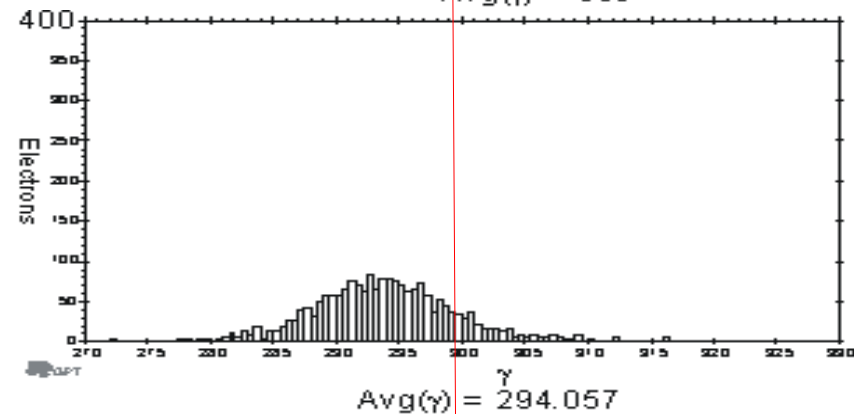
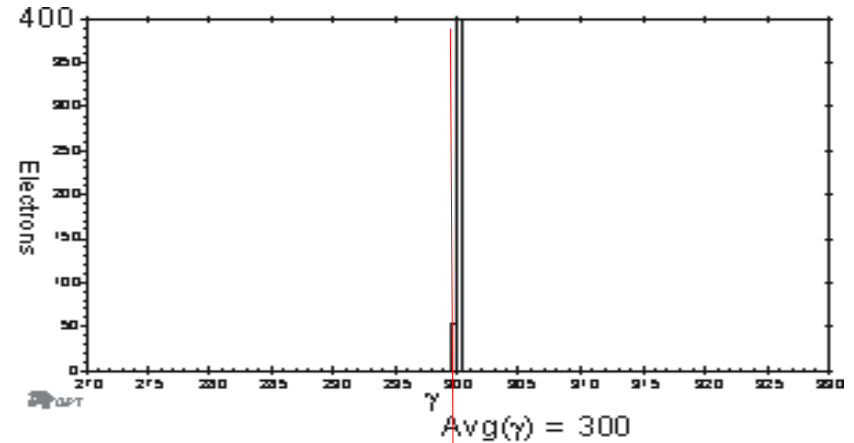
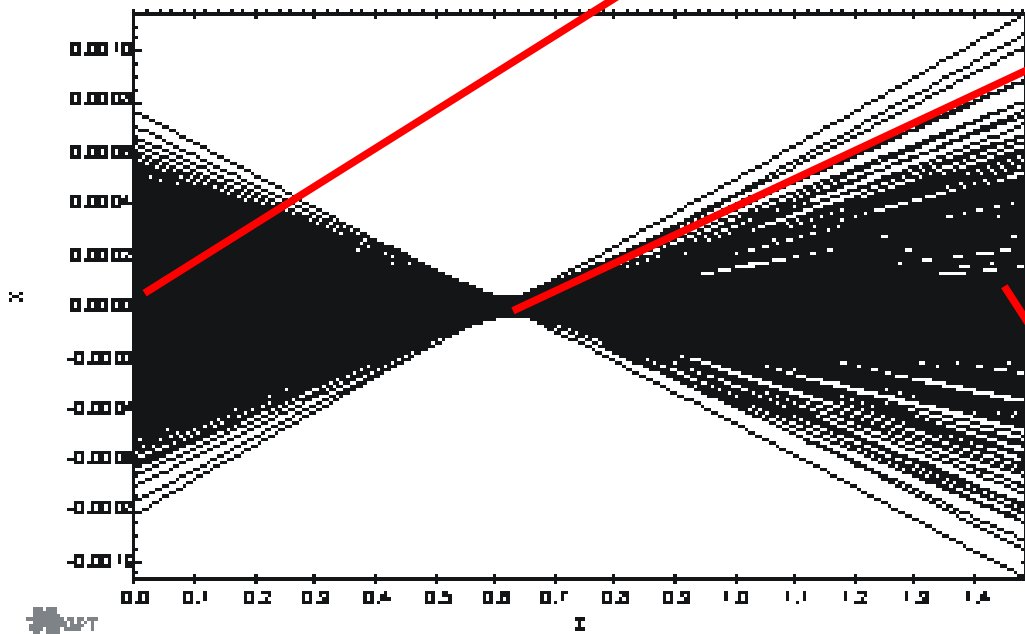
$$\mathbf{r}_{ji} = \mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j$$

$$\mathbf{r}'_{ji} = \mathbf{r}_{ji} + \frac{\gamma_j^2}{\gamma_j + 1} (\mathbf{r}_{ji} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}_j) \boldsymbol{\beta}_j$$

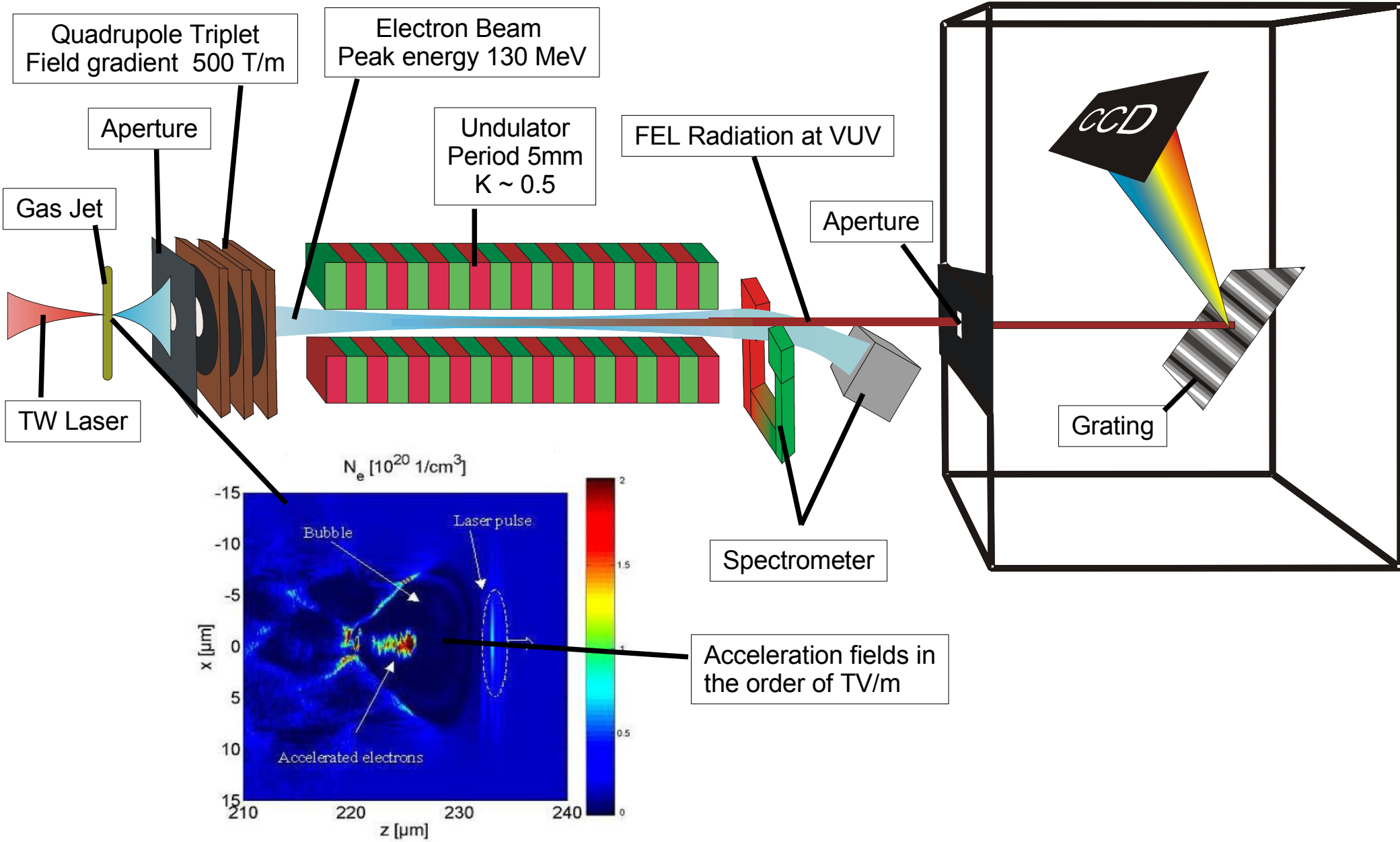
$$\mathbf{E}_i = \sum_{j \neq i} \gamma_j \left[\mathbf{E}'_{j \rightarrow i} - \frac{\gamma_j}{\gamma_j + 1} (\boldsymbol{\beta}_j \cdot \mathbf{E}'_{j \rightarrow i}) \boldsymbol{\beta}_j \right]$$

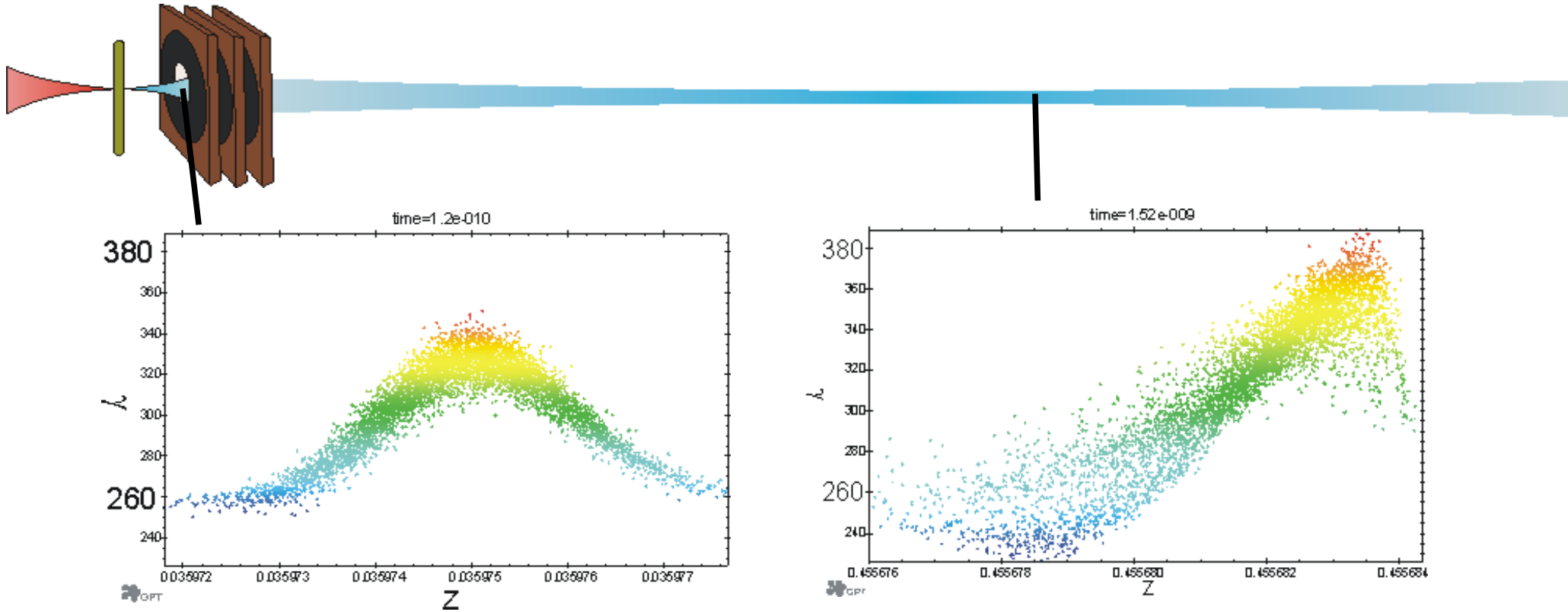
$$\mathbf{B}_i = \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{\gamma_j \boldsymbol{\beta}_j \times \mathbf{E}'_{j \rightarrow i}}{c}$$

Our personal “Lackmustest”
for the evaluation of GPT results

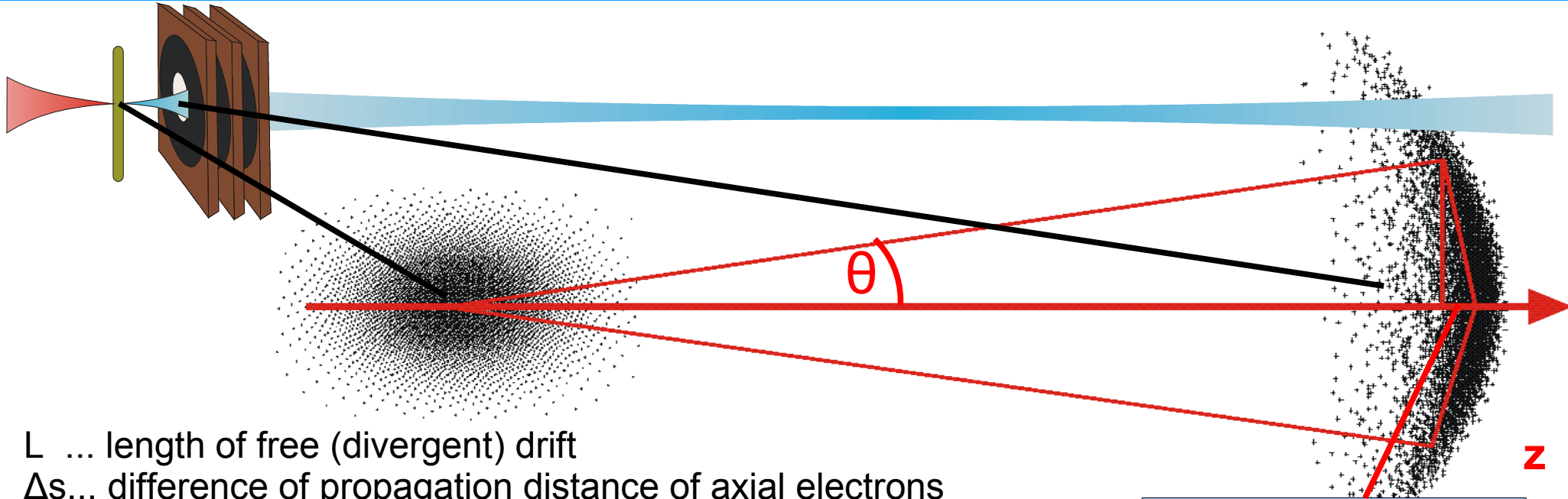


Experimental Overview





Evolution from "hat" to an almost linear energy chirp



L ... length of free (divergent) drift

Δs ... difference of propagation distance of axial electrons compared to electrons of angle θ

$$\Delta s \sim (1 - \cos^2 \theta) \cdot L$$

Criteria for the phase space to become a linear energy shift:

- Axial electron propagates with γ_0
- Electron at angle θ propagates with $(\alpha + 1) \cdot \gamma_0$

$$\Delta s \approx L \cdot \left(\frac{\theta^2}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{\gamma_0^2} \right) < 0$$

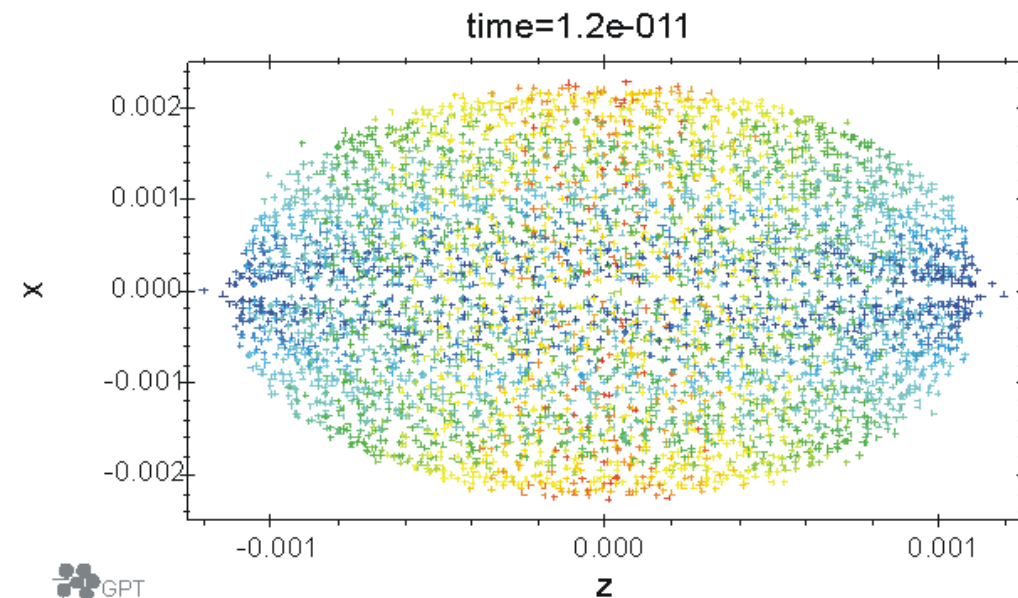
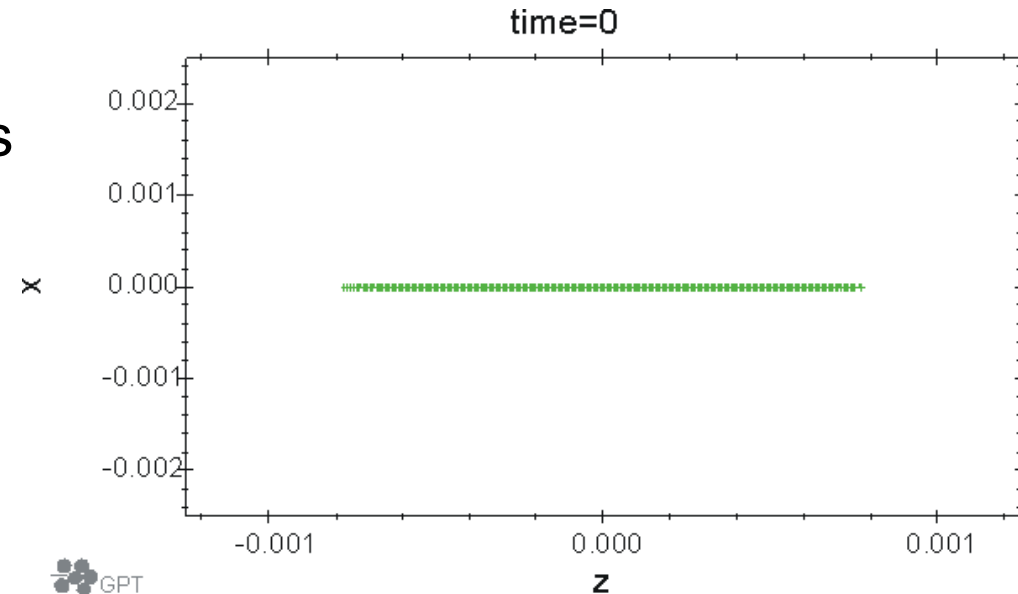
phase space becomes "linear" chirp for $\theta < \frac{\sqrt{2\alpha}}{\gamma_0}$

Coulomb explosion of resting electrons of a respective bunch yields:

$$\beta' = 0.7 \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\beta'}{\gamma_0} \approx 0.25$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2\alpha}}{\gamma_0} \approx 3 \text{ mrad} > \theta$$

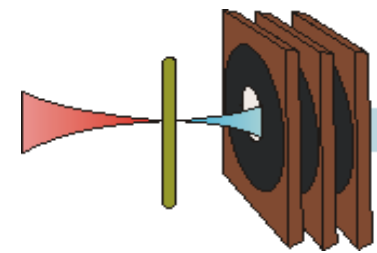
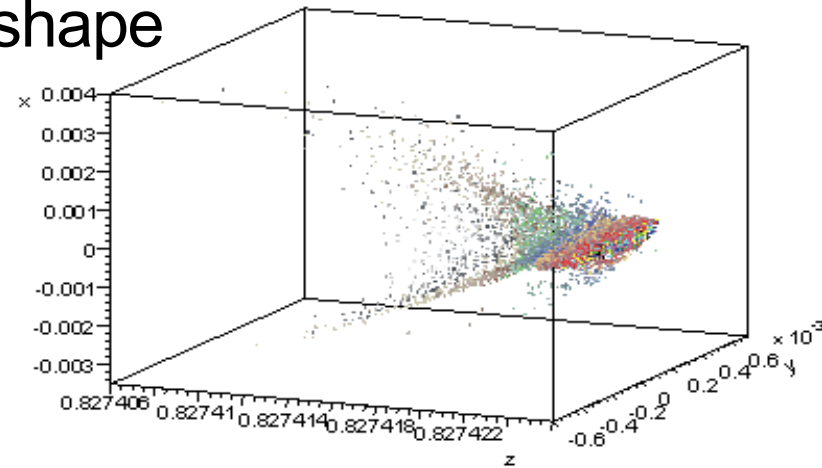
➔ This θ is smaller than expected, especially after collimating the beam



Spatial Distribution

After refocusing, the spacial shape of the bunch reminds of...

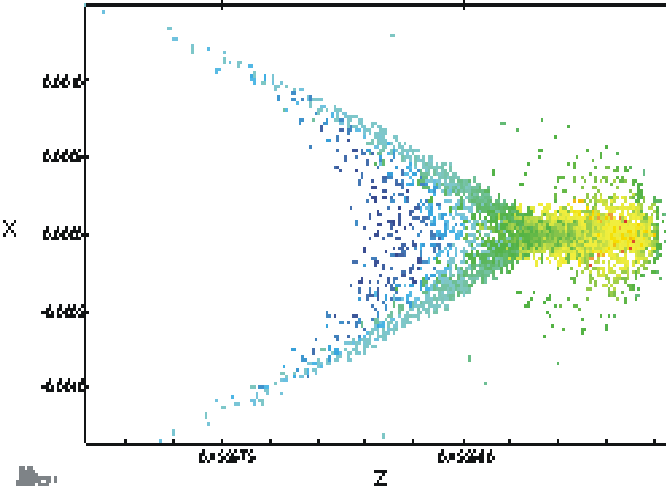
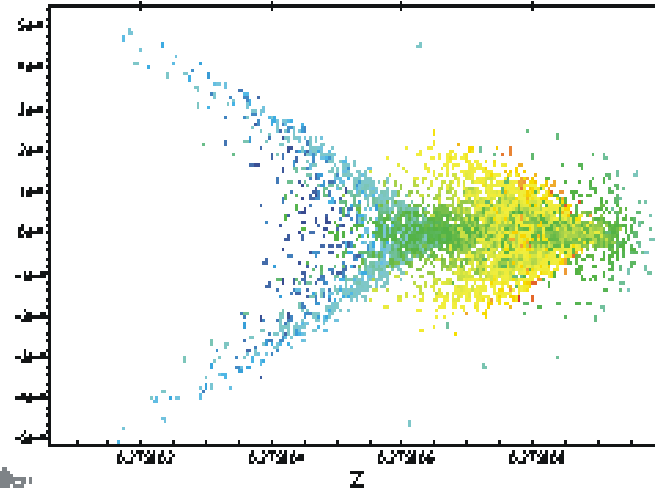
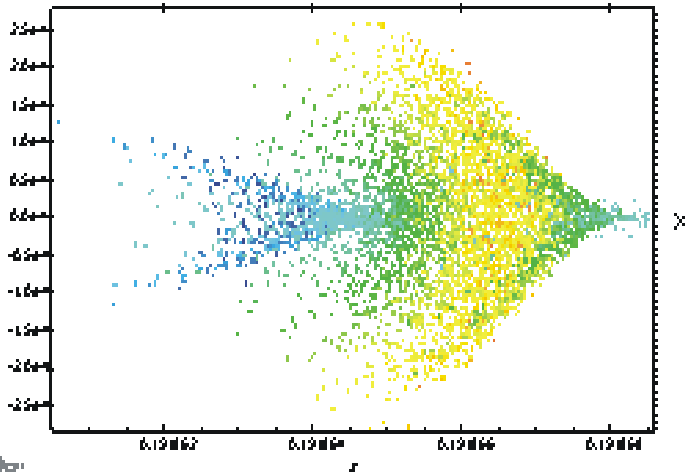
a fish...



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time = 9.2e-010

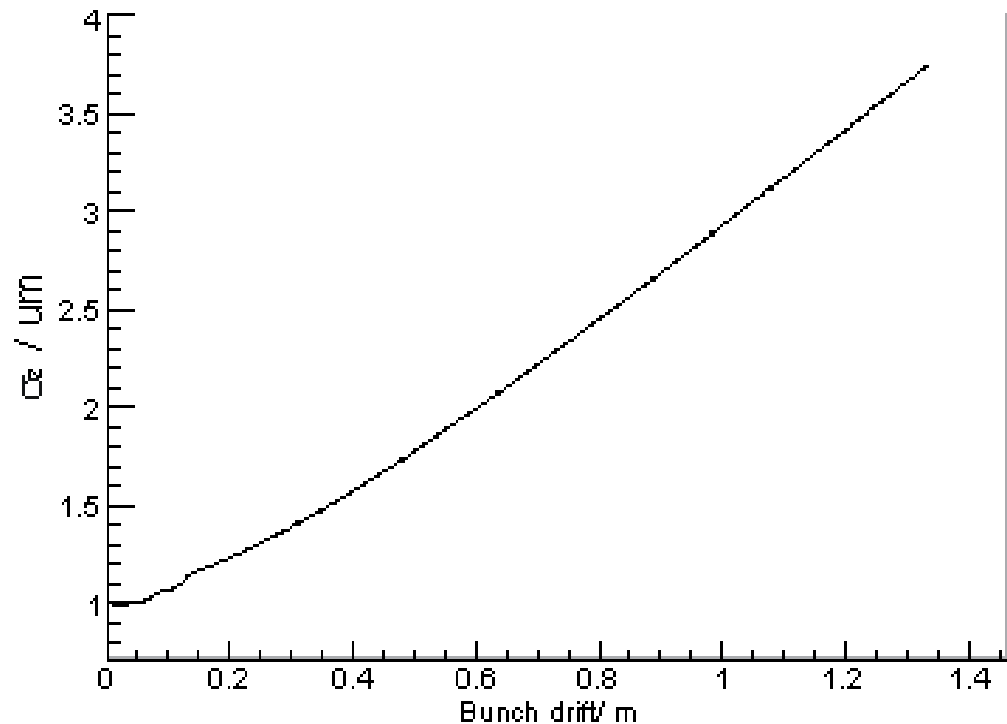
time = 1.52e-009



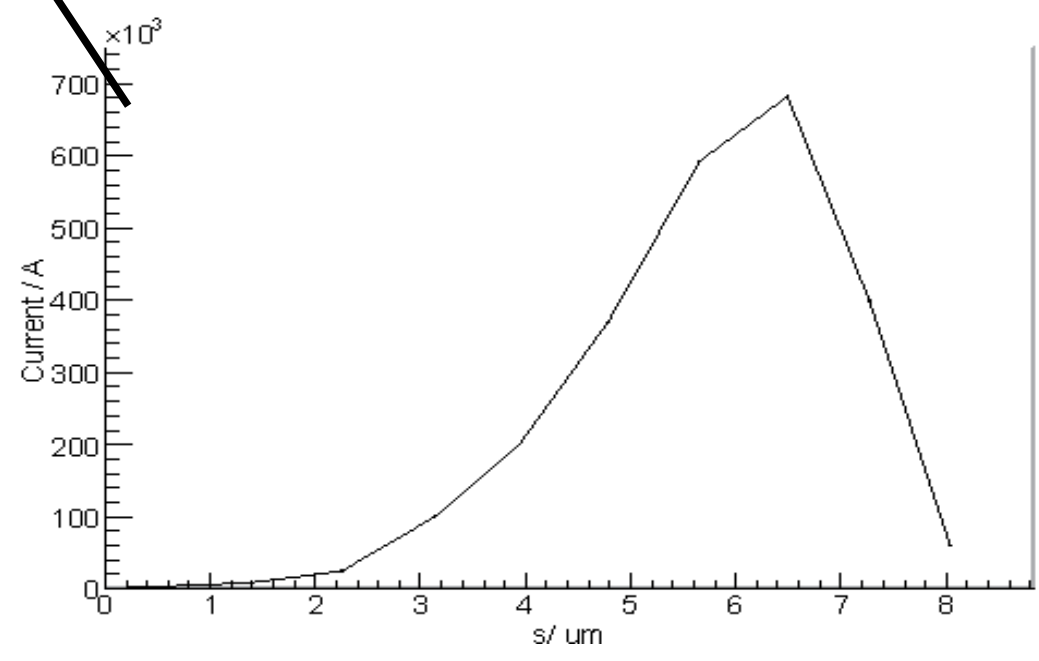
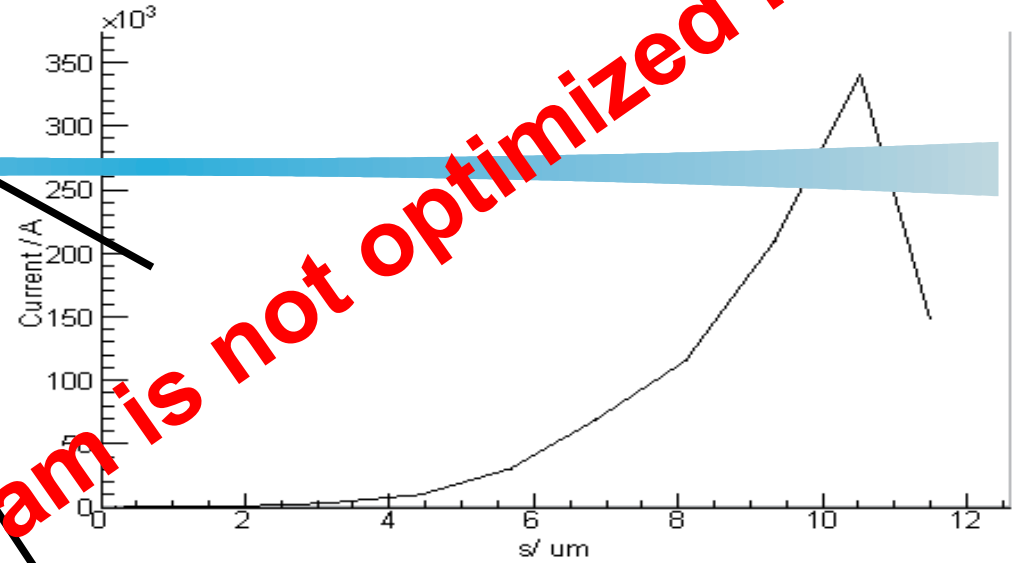
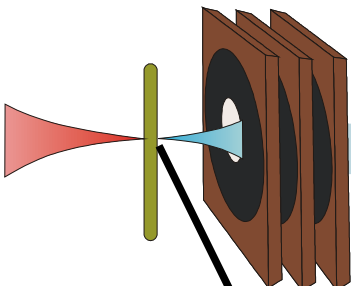
- The presented calculation is far from being optimized. The “fish” in this case is not “slim” but rather looks like a “hammerhead shark”.
- Optimization using linear beam optics is not possible, as the beam keeps gaining kinetic energy while propagating through the lens
- Optimization hence is work in progress as being very time consuming

Longitudinal beam prolongation

→ **slicing**

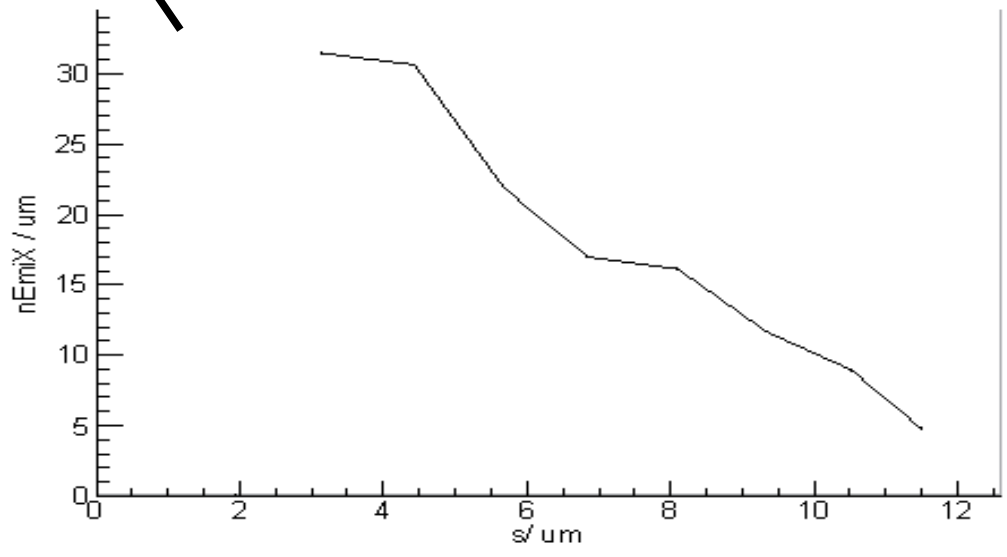
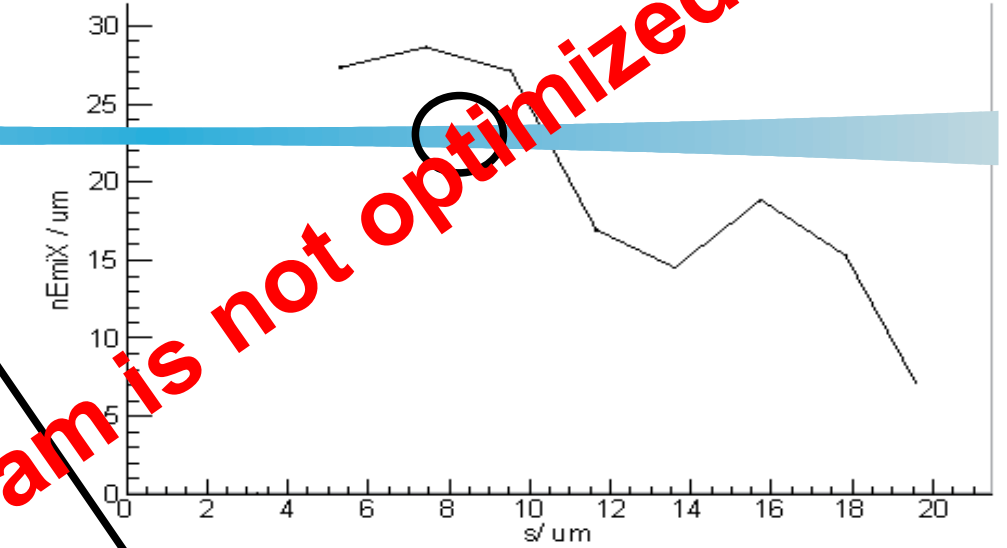
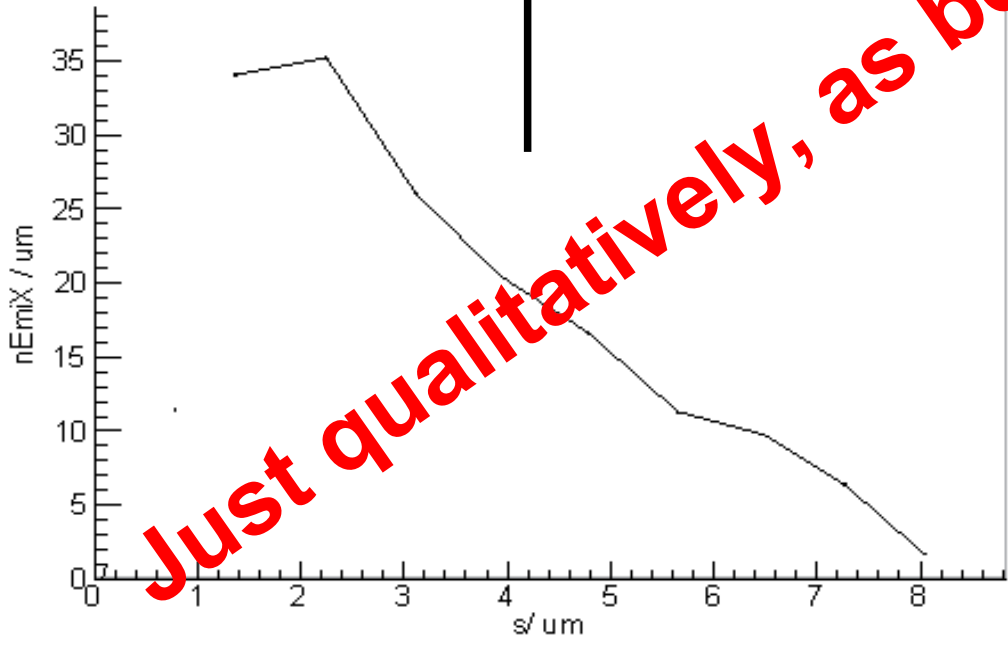
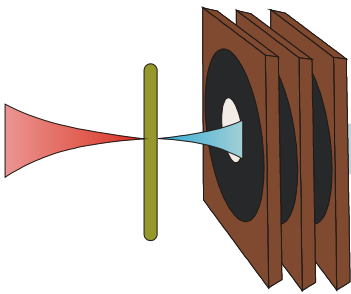


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