

# Net Acceleration of an Optically Microbunched Electron Beam

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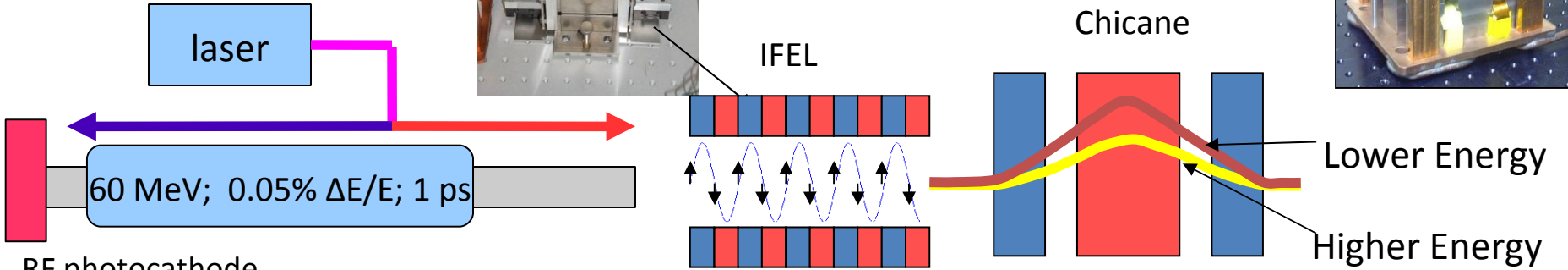
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# Talk Outline

- Producing Microbunches:
  - Characterization with Coherent Optical Transition Radiation
- Net Acceleration of an Optically Microbunched Beam
  - Simulation & Results

# Producing Bunches

Ti:sapphire  
1 mJ 800nm  
0.1 mJ 266nm



$$mc^2 \frac{d\gamma}{dt} = q\vec{v} \cdot \vec{E}_{laser}$$

## Undulator

- Laser & e-beam copropagate in sinusoidal static B field
- Electrons accelerated transversely by laser field
- Undulator resets the electron trajectory to match slip w.r.t. laser phase
- From Lorentz force eqs.
  - Resonance eq.

$$\lambda_l = \frac{\lambda_w}{2\gamma^2} \left( 1 + \frac{K_w^2}{2} \right)$$

And energy Modulation  $\Delta \gamma = \frac{\pi N K_r K_w}{\gamma} \frac{\lambda_w}{\lambda_l} \cos(k_l z_0)$

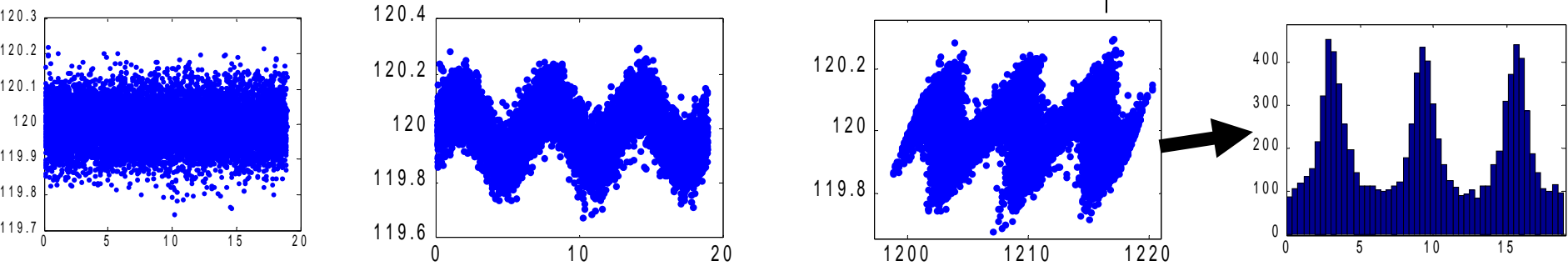
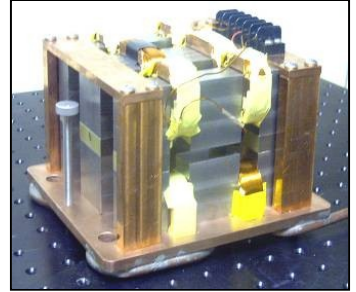
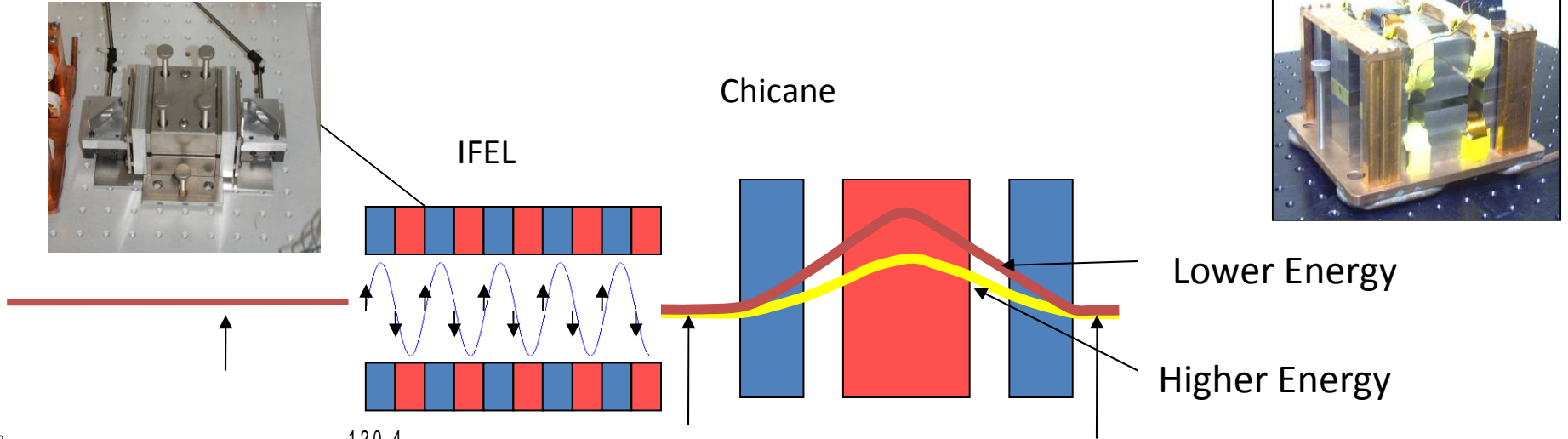
## Chicane

- Bend angle in magnet inversely proportion to energy
- Lower energy particles take longer path
- (again from Lorentz eqs):

$$R_{56} = \frac{L}{\gamma^2} + \left( \frac{q}{\gamma mc} \right)^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^z B(z') dz' \right]^2 dz$$

velocity bunching  
~5% of total

# Producing Bunches 2



$$\sigma_\gamma$$

$$\gamma_i \rightarrow \gamma_i + \eta \sin k_l z$$

$$z_i \rightarrow z_i + R_{56} \gamma_i$$

bunch'o math

$$\rho(z) = \rho_0 \left[ 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} J_n \left( nk_l R_{56} \frac{\eta}{\gamma_0} \right) \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( nk_l R_{56} \frac{\sigma_\gamma}{\gamma_0} \right)^2 \right] \cos(nk_l z) \right]$$

# Quantifying Microbunching with Coherent Optical Transition Radiation

# COTR from Microbunches

For radiation pattern not a function of particle position

$$\frac{dI_{tot}}{d\Omega d\omega} = N [1 + N |f(\Omega, \omega)|^2] \frac{dI_0}{d\Omega d\omega} \quad \text{where } f(\Omega, \omega) = \frac{1}{\rho_0} \int d\vec{x} dt \rho(\vec{x}, t) e^{i(k \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t)}$$

$$\rho(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{1}{\pi \sigma_r^2} \exp\left[-\frac{r^2}{\sigma_r^2}\right] \rho(z)$$

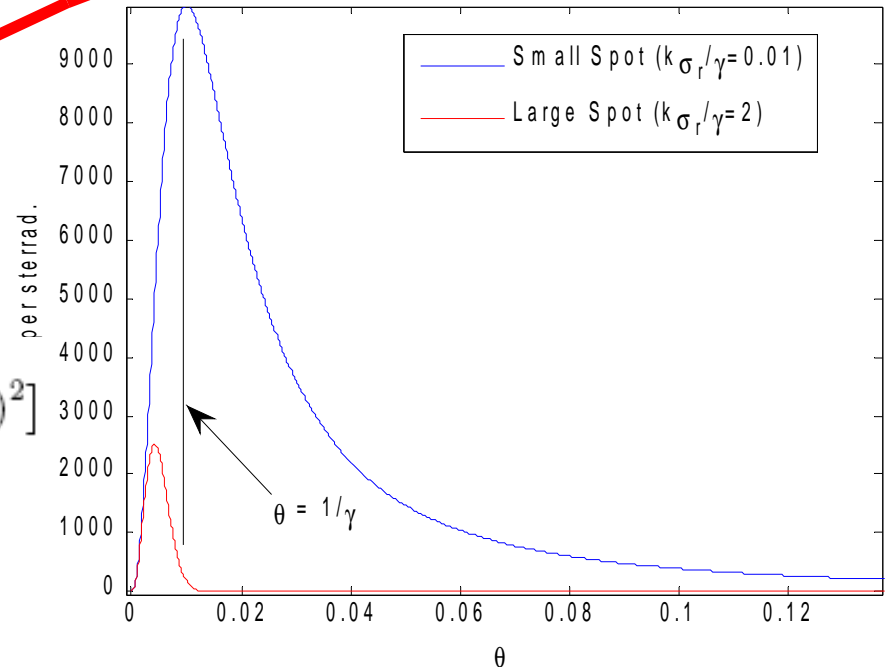
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$$\frac{dI_{TR}}{d\vec{k} d\omega} \simeq \frac{e^2}{16\pi^3 \epsilon_0 c} \frac{\theta^2}{\left(\frac{1}{\gamma^2} + \theta^2\right)^2}$$

note: no frequency dependence (ideal conductor)

$I_{tot}$  frequency dependence due to bunching only!

Radiation Cone For Two Spot Sizes



$$\frac{dI_{COTR,n}}{d\theta} \simeq \frac{N^2 e^2 b_n^2}{16\pi \sqrt{2\pi} \epsilon_0 \sigma_z} \frac{\theta^3}{\left(\frac{1}{\gamma^2} + \theta^2\right)^2} \exp\left[-(k\sigma_r\theta)^2\right]$$

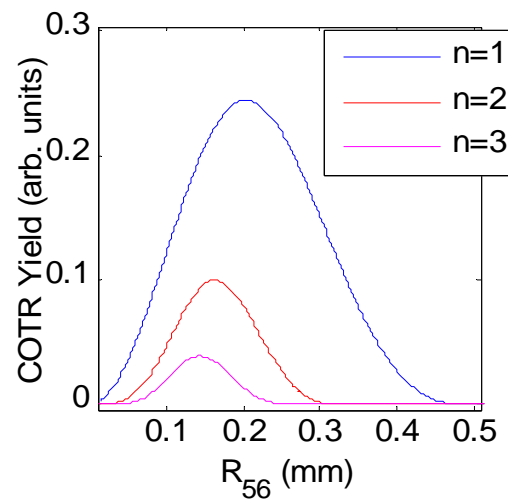
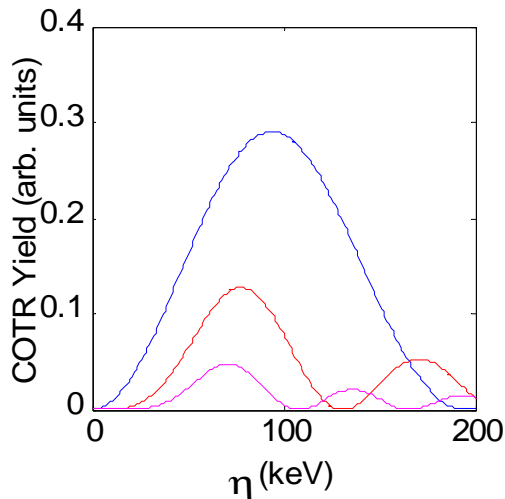
$$b_n = J_n \left( nk_L R_{56} \frac{\eta}{\gamma_0} \right) \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \left( nk_L R_{56} \frac{\sigma_\gamma}{\gamma_0} \right)^2\right]$$

# Plan for the microbunching experiment:

$$I_{tot,n} \propto b_n^2$$

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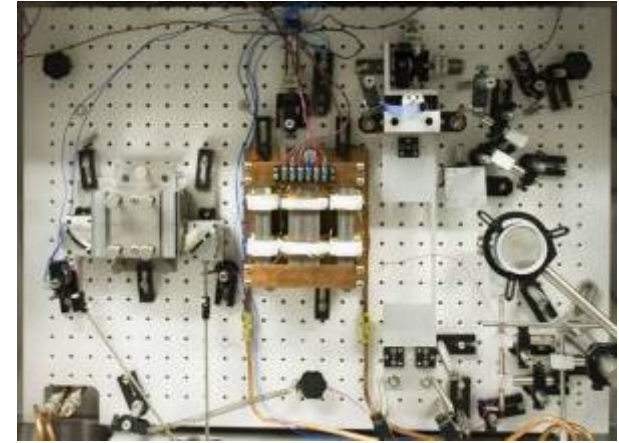
- COTR prop. to bunch factors
- difficult to compare absolute yields
- study functional dependence on  $\eta$  &  $R_{56}$



Actual experimental data restricted to smaller range of  $\eta$  &  $R_{56}$

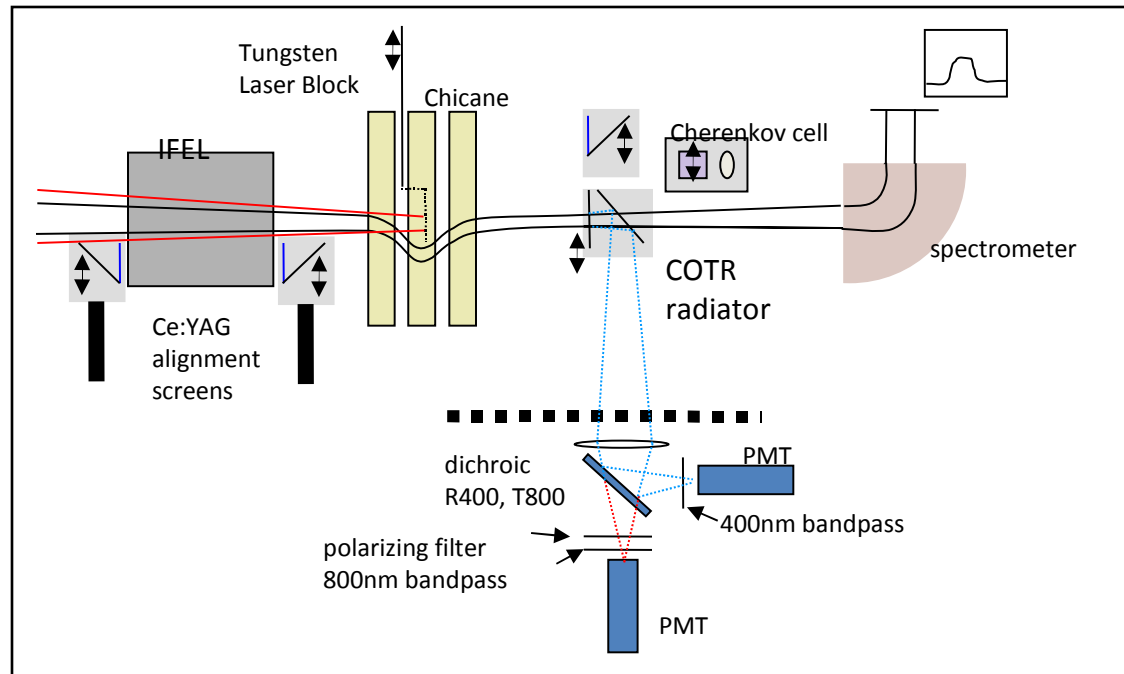
# Experiment Setup

- Beam run off-crest with chicane collimator closed to obtain stable ( $\delta_{E0} \approx 6$  keV), low energy spread beam
- Timing obtained to  $\sim 25$ ps with streak camera and Cherenkov light
- Overlap beams on alignment screens
- Run!



Parameter	Value
Energy	60 MeV
Energy Spread	30 keV (typ)
Electron Pulse Length	0.8 ps
Electron Spot Size	100 $\mu$ m
Bunch Charge	1 pC
Laser Wavelength	785 nm
Laser Energy	0.6 mJ/pls
Laser Pulse Length	0.5ps
Laser Spot Size	200 $\mu$ m
Undulator Period	1.8cm
Number of Periods	3
Undulator Strength ( $a_w$ )	0.46
Chicane $R_{56}$	0.04-0.16 mm

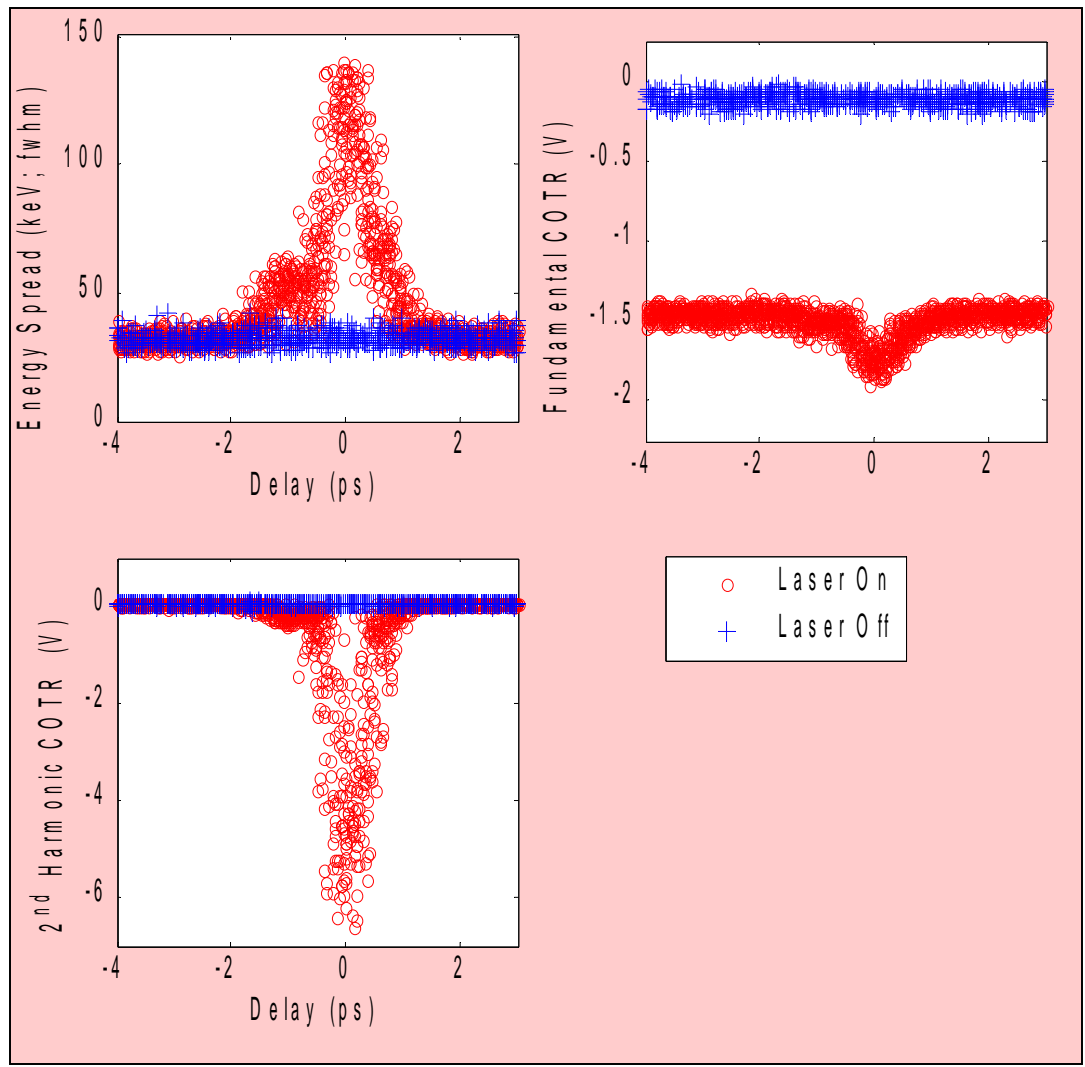
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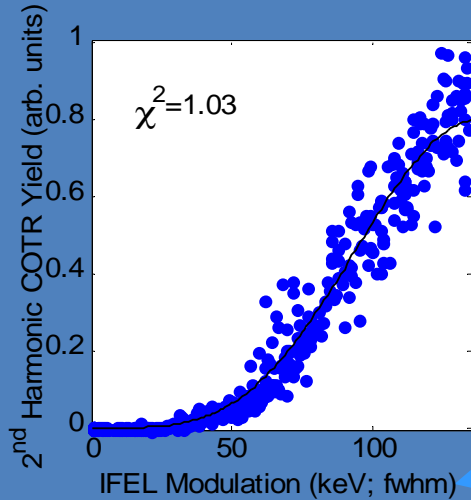
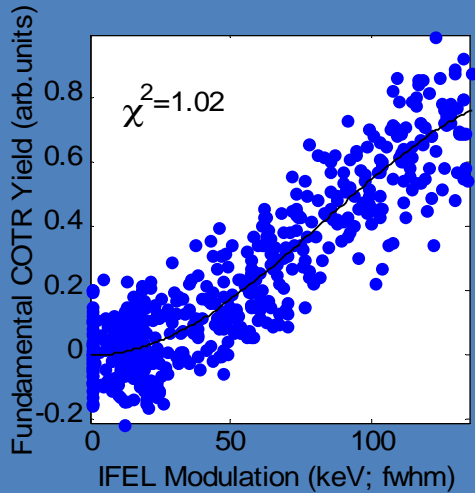


# A Typical Data Run

- 500-2000 events, 75% laser on, 10 ps scan window
- Time scanned with fast actuator mounted retro-reflector in laser path to form **cross-correlation**
- Fundamental COTR signal shows large offset between 'off' & on events due to bleed through
- COTR PMTs boxcar integrated, sent to DAQ



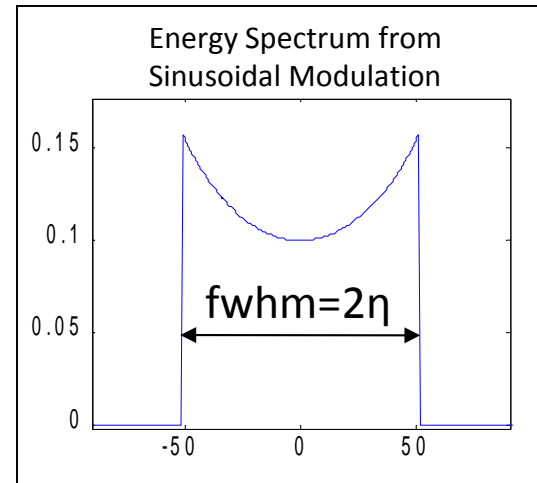
# IFEL Interaction strength versus COTR output



$$I_{COTR} \propto J_n \left[ nk_l R_{56} \left( \frac{\eta}{\gamma_0} \right) \right]^2 \exp \left[ - \left( nk_l R_{56} \left( \frac{\sigma_\gamma}{\gamma_0} \right) \right)^2 \right]$$

$$(\sigma_{IFEL} = \sqrt{\sigma_{TOT}^2 - \sigma_{init}^2})$$

- Take a single long run and plot IFEL modulation vs. COTR signals. COTR signals inverted, rescaled, and baseline subtracted
- About fit: take vertical scale and  $\eta$  as free parameters.  $\eta$  treated as free since modulation of peak radiating electrons is not the same as modulation of entire bunch (which we measure)
  - find  $\eta$  optimal  $\sim 30\%$  greater than  $\sigma_{IFEL}/2$ . This roughly agrees with analytic treatment taking into account form factors for laser & electron beam.



# What is the microbunch duration?

Chicane & interaction variation validate applying 1D model

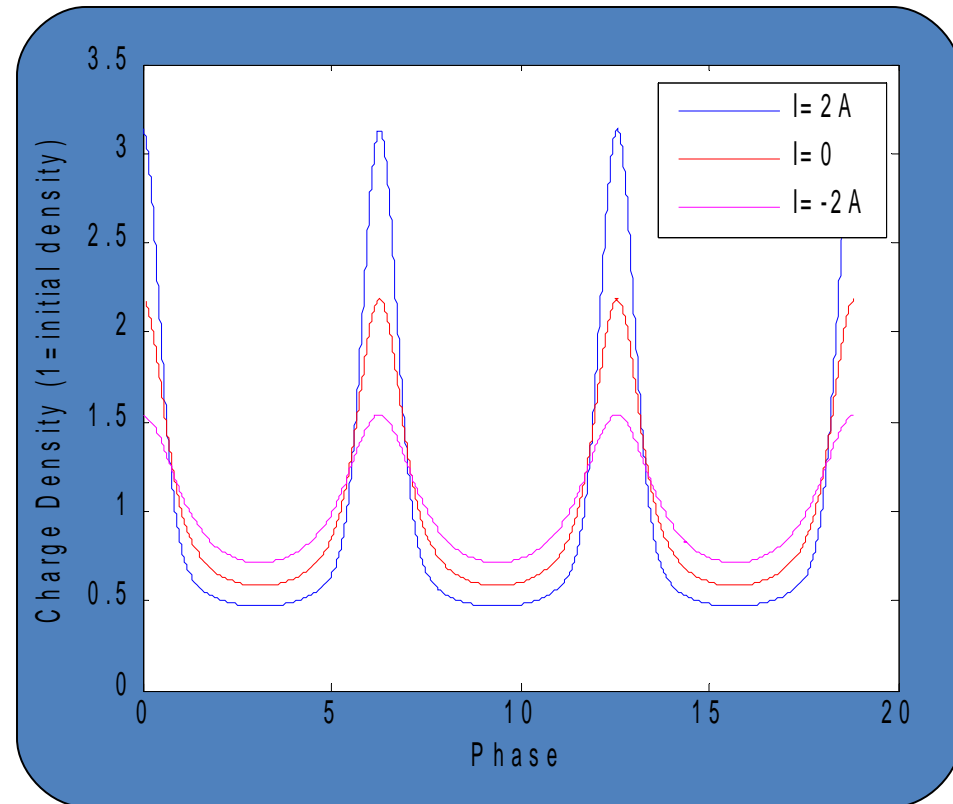
1D model → 410as fwhm microbunches

Peak Current ~ 3 times unbunched current

40% of charge with fwhm of microbunch

$$b_n \equiv J_n \left[ nk_l R_{56} \left( \frac{\eta}{\gamma_0} \right) \right] \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( nk_l R_{56} \left( \frac{\sigma_\gamma}{\gamma_0} \right) \right)^2 \right]$$

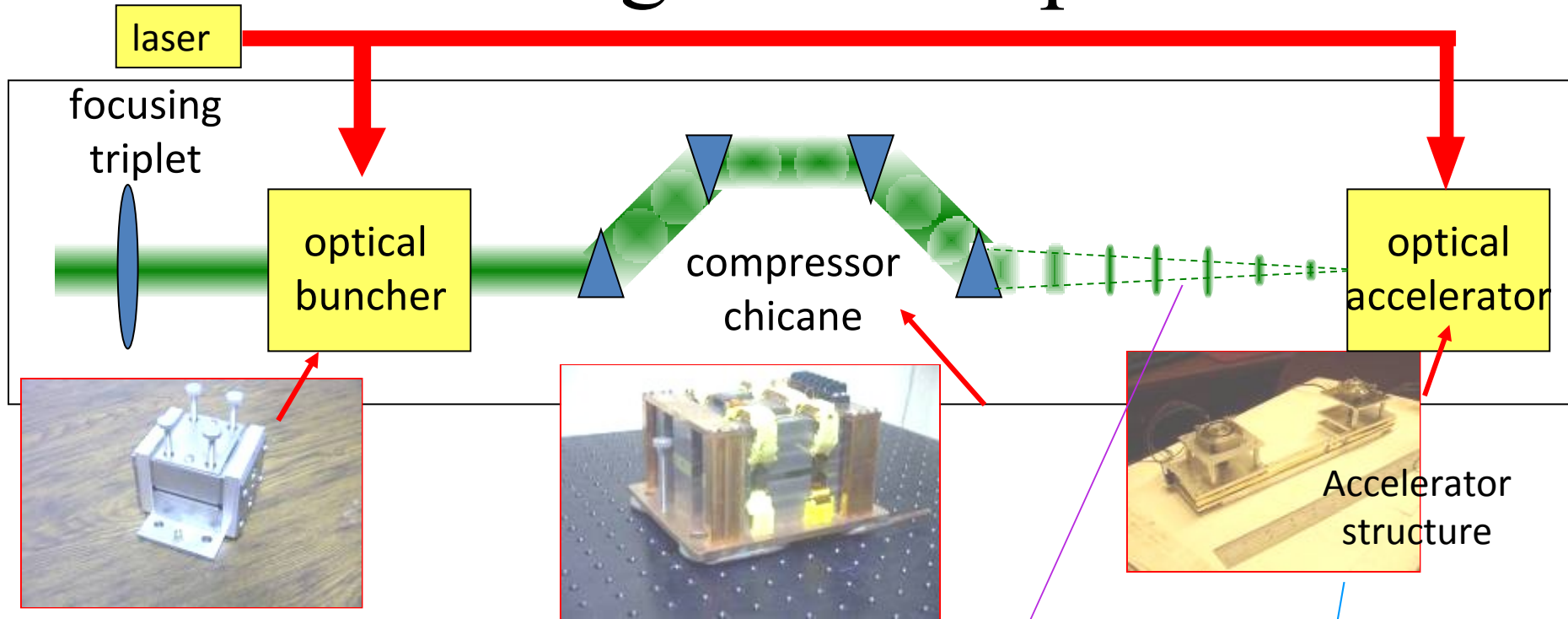
So at optimal bunching, we have  $b_1=0.52$ ,  $b_2=0.39$



# Net Acceleration of Electrons with Light

- Combine microbunching hardware with ITR accelerator to obtain net acceleration
- laser power split between IFEL and ITR
- Careful beam control and electron filtering to avoid interference and obtain signal

# The Staged Concept



The IFEL

The compressor chicane

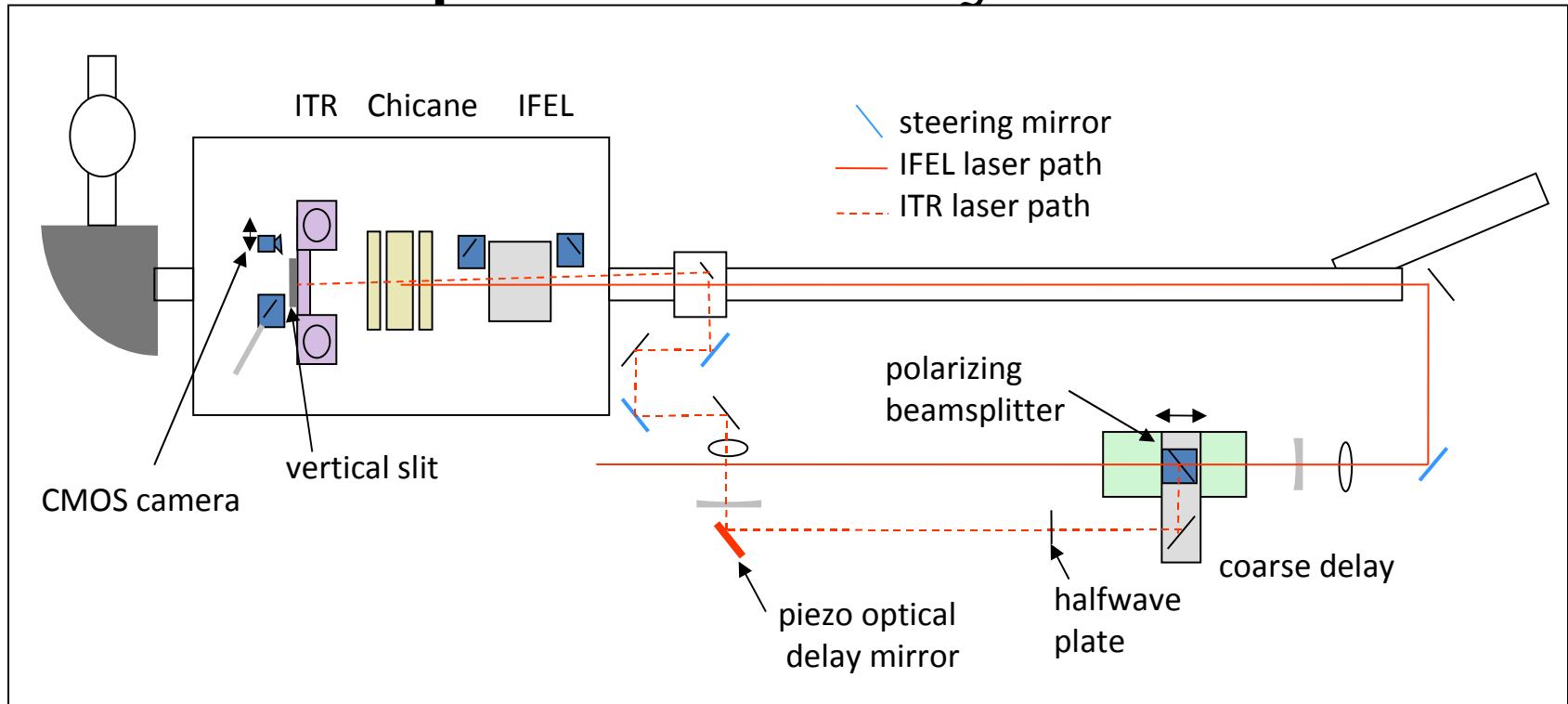
Accelerator structure

Net acceleration of entire bunch

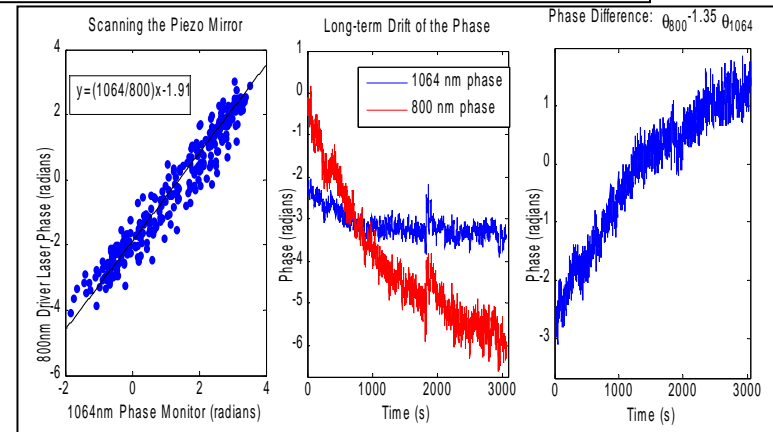
$$\Delta E = \frac{1}{\lambda_l \rho_0} \int_0^{\lambda_l} \rho_0 \left[ 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos(nk_l z) \right] A \cos(k_l z + \phi) dz$$

$$\Delta E = Ab_1 \cos \phi$$

# Experiment Layout



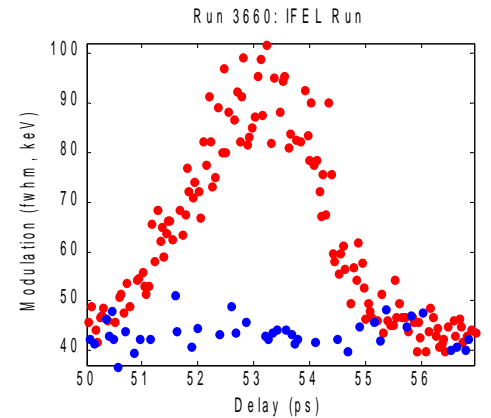
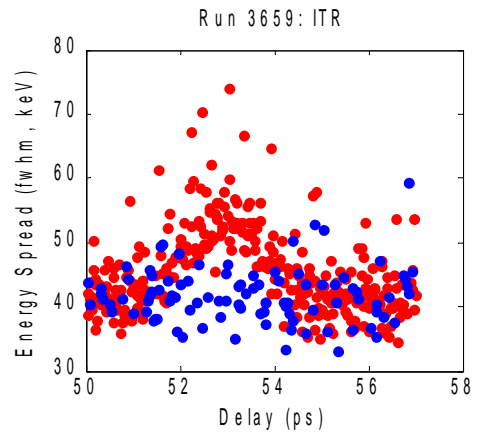
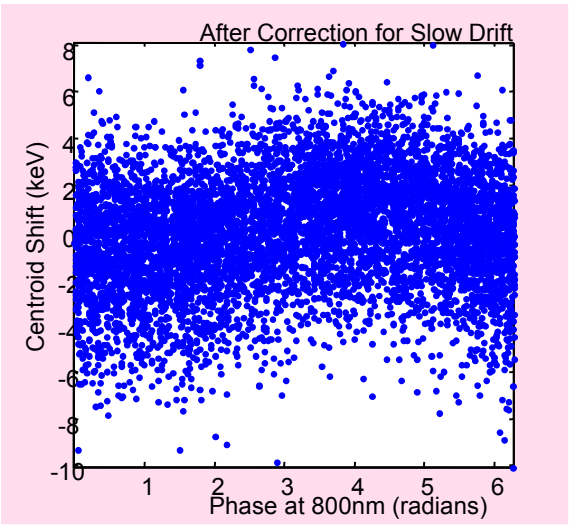
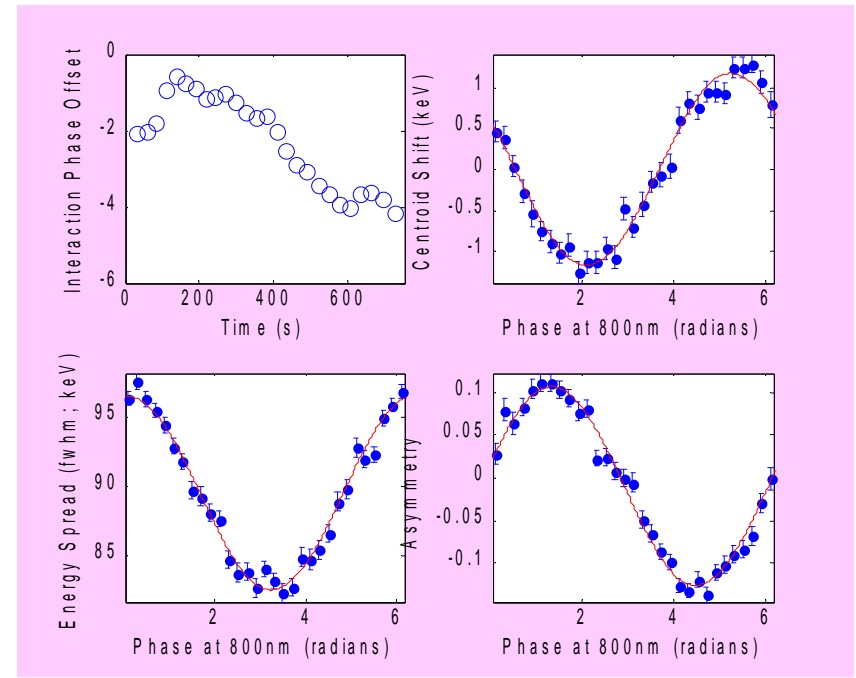
- Builds on hardware of microbunching experiment
- add: ITR & its electronics
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> set of focusing/steering optics
  - means for phase control & monitoring





# Experimental Result

- Phase monitor versus energy spectra quantities
- Observe 1-2 keV amplitude net acceleration signal
- Expect:
  - Initial (aka Laser Off) energy spread: 48 keV fwhm  $\rightarrow b_1 = 0.35$
  - ITR interaction: 35 keV fwhm
  - IFEL interaction: 84 keV fwhm
  - Expected signal:
    - $0.35 * 0.5 * 35 = 6$  keV Amplitude





# Concluding Remarks

- An optically microbunched beam has been produced
  - Good shot-to-shot stability
  - Short duration with minimal energy spread increase
  - Available for future acceleration Direct Laser Acceleration Experiments

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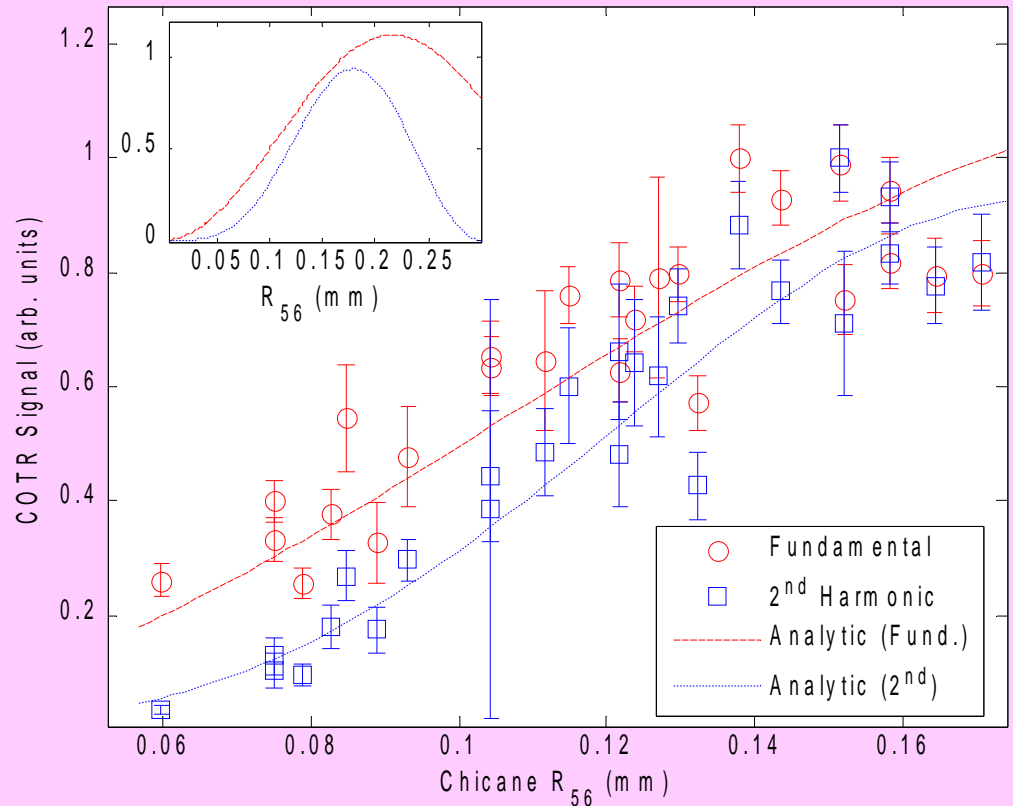
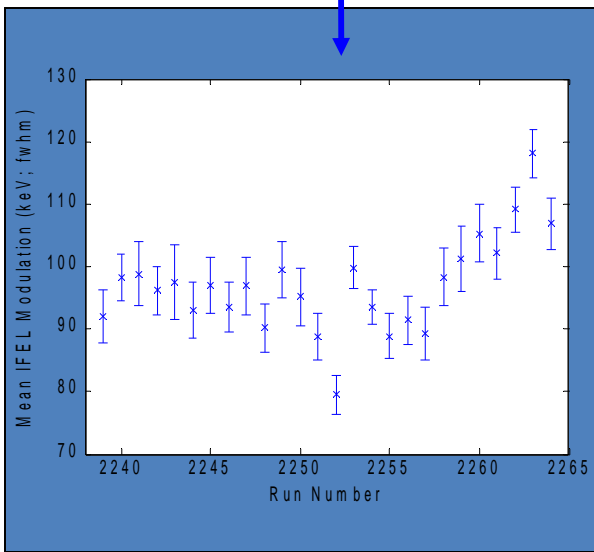
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# Additional slides

# Varying the Chicane Strength

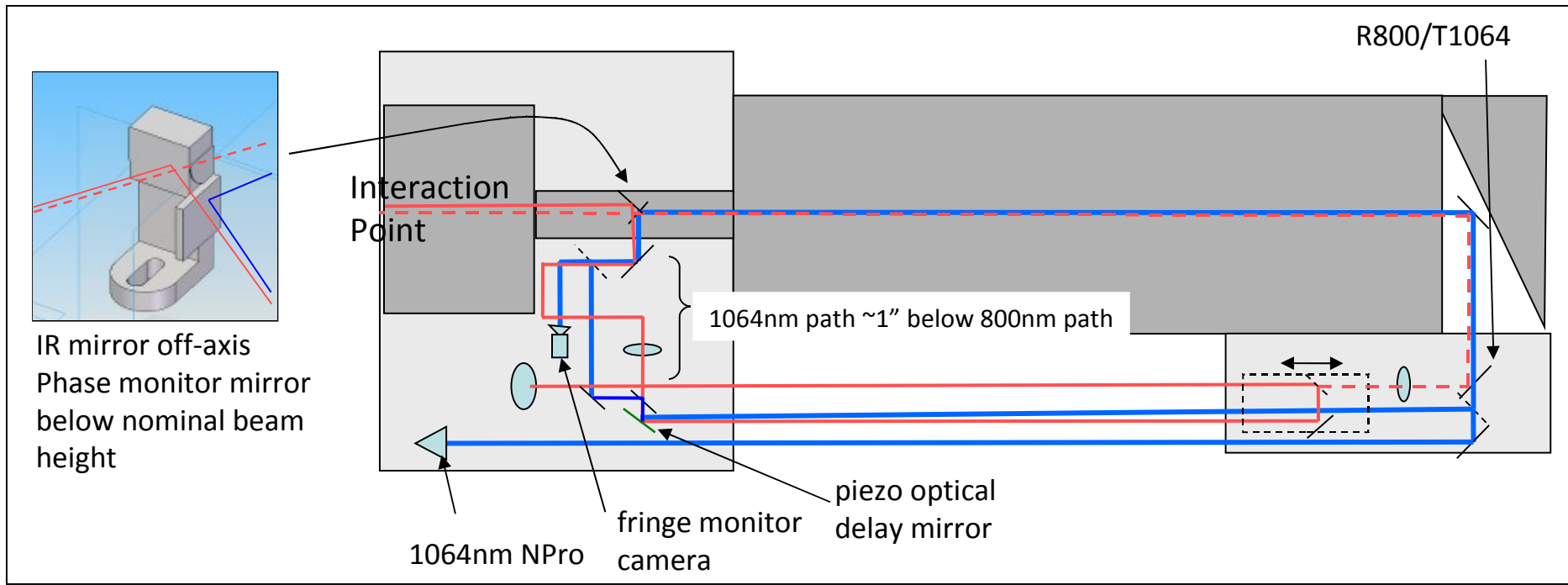
- Many small runs of ~400 events, 1 chicane value per run
- Each point on graph is obtained by fitting a Gaussian through the cross-correlation. Error from boot-strap method
- Data taken over 1+ hours during which charge & interaction drifted



- both harmonics show **saturation** at lower value than analytic
  - some electrons modulated more strongly & therefore are overbunching → less COTR
- important to independently measure optimum  $R_{56}$  rather than rely solely on the analytic!

# Phase Stability, monitoring & Control

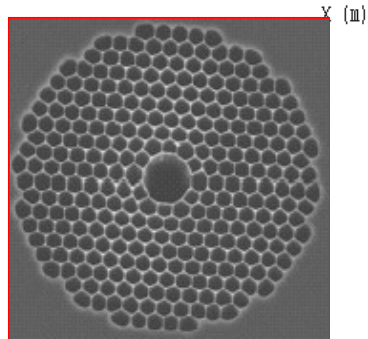
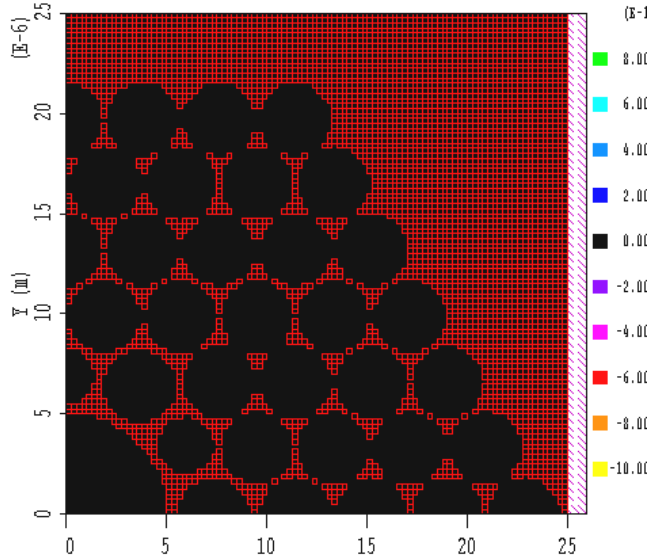
- Net acceleration experiment = large interferometer
  - e-beam communicates optical phase between IFEL & ITR
- Noise reduction: 1" optical posts, isolation for pumps & chiller, covers for optical tables



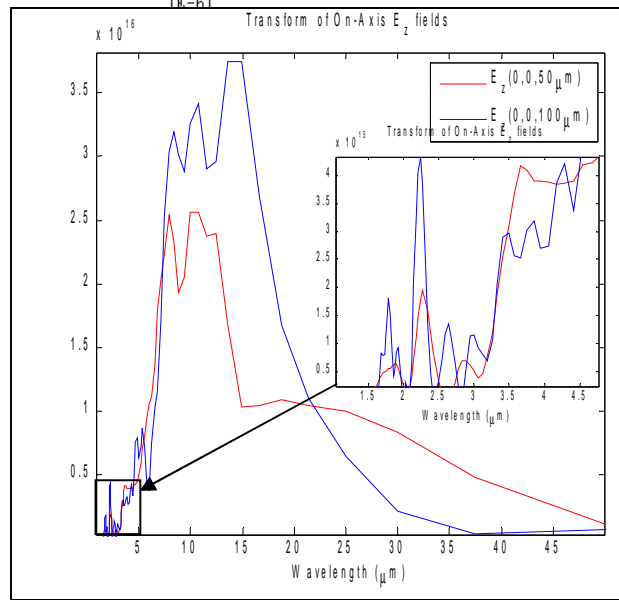
# 3D Case: Resonant Wakefield in a Photonic Bandgap fiber

- Simulated Fiber similar to commercially available fiber
- Short pulse to see induced wakefield, real experiment would rely on incoherent excitation from long pulse
- Observe with spectrometer to infer SOL modes

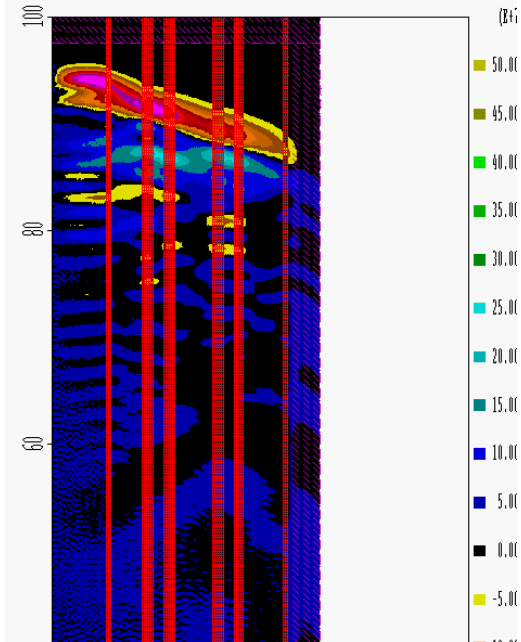
Time 0.832 fs:  $E_z$  (V/m) at FIRST



Thorlabs HC-1550-2



Time 319.274 fs:  $E_y$  (V/m) at RIGHTWALL



# Planar Accelerator Structures

- Type 1
  - no propagating waveguide mode
  - laser energy propagates transverse to ebeam
- Type 2
  - more traditional waveguide
  - light coupled in by grating on inner surface of waveguide

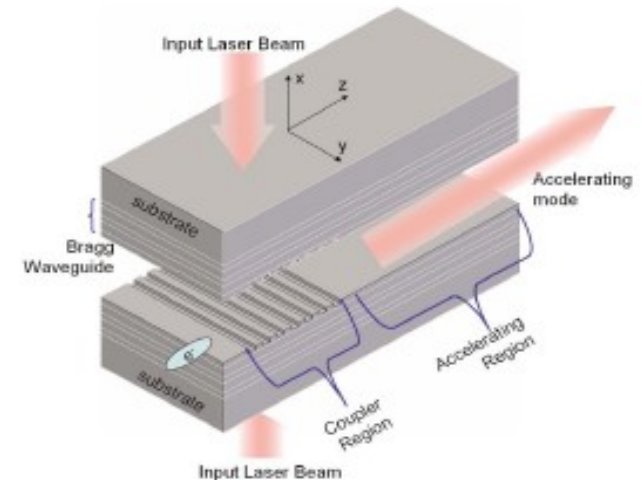
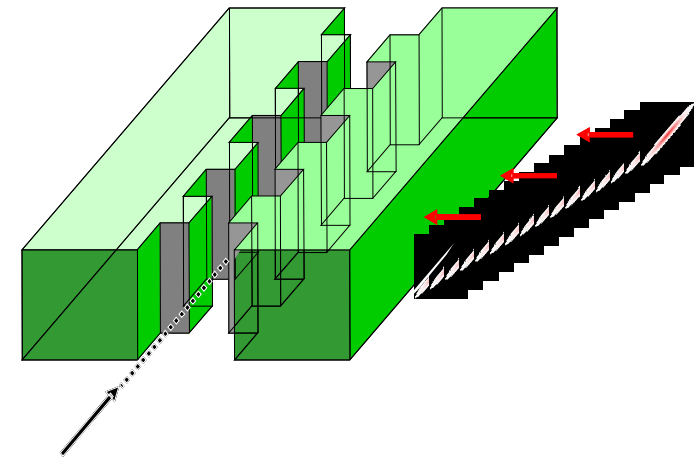


FIG. 1. (Color) Schematic diagram of a planar accelerator structure with distributed grating-assisted coupler (DGAC).