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# SCIENTIFIC PROSPECTS FOR A EUROPEAN EXTREME LIGHT INFRASTRUCTURE

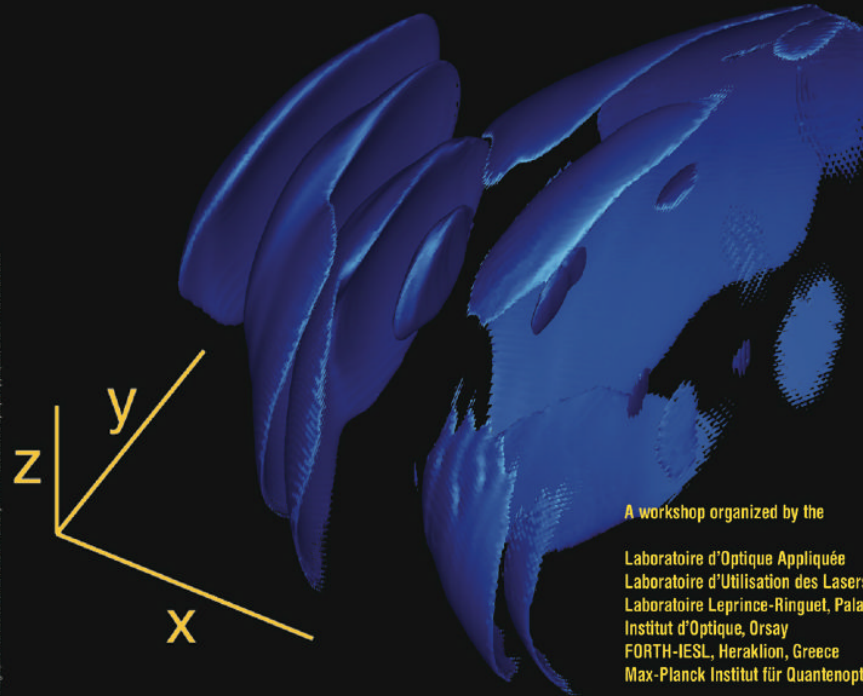
## SCIENTIFIC TOPICS

- > Attosecond and Exawatt lasers
- > Attosecond EUV Physics
- > Secondary beam sources of high energy photons, leptons, hadrons, ions
- > Nuclear, Particle and High Energy Physics
- > Astrophysics
- > Cosmology, General Relativity
- > Extradimensions Physics

## APPLICATIONS

- > Relativistic micro-electronics for compact accelerators
- > Relativistic micro-photonics for compact synchrotron and XFEL
- > Medical applications: radiation and hadron therapy
- > New high peak and high average power drivers

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# ESFRI ROAD MAP

The ESFRI roadmap will identify needs of the European research communities for new or major upgrades of pan-European Research Infrastructure (RI), covering all scientific areas, regardless of possible localisation.

# European Roadmap for Research Infrastructures

With the appointment of the 15 Expert Groups, the process of creating Europe's first ever Roadmap of large scale research facilities/research infrastructures has now been initiated. The ESFRI Roadmap will be instrumental in helping to identify those projects that are crucial for the scientific community in Europe. The first roadmap is to be published by early Autumn 2006.

**ESFRI**  
Establish road map for Research Infrastructures

ESFRI Working Groups (WG)

Expert Group

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High Power Laser  
HIPER  
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ELI

Expert Group

# A Future European High Power Laser Facility

## HIPER

CCLRC Rutherford Appleton Laboratory

An informal panel of scientists from seven EU countries was assembled at the behest of the CCLRC Rutherford Appleton Laboratory to consider the scientific case for a future high power laser facility within Europe.

The panel met three times between December 2004 and June 2005. This document presents the considered view of the panel that there is a strong case for a large-scale “fast ignition” laser of sufficient capability to make a significant contribution to the international pursuit of fusion energy, whilst supporting a broad base of high energy-density civilian research. A brief overview of the requirement for the laser is presented here.

# A MULTI-PW addition to the LIL laser in Bordeaux

- To carry out integrated fast-ignition experiments on LIL using its target implosion capability.
- To perform high-energy density experiments for matter under extreme conditions of interest to geophysics and astrophysics.
- To open the avenue that could lead to ultra-relativistic exawatt laser power by using the LIL as a pump beam, allowing exploring in the laboratory pressures, accelerations, magnetic fields, and nuclear processes that occur only in astrophysical objects.

# **EXTREME LIGHT INFRASTRUCTURE (ELI)**

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Laboratoire Leprince-Ringuet  
Institut d'Optique Theorique et Appliquée  
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Max-Planck-Institut fuer Quantenoptik  
VULRC Vilnius

ELI will be devoted to the investigation of fundamentally novel laser-matter interaction regimes in the ultra-relativistic regime.

ELI will provide a new generation of compact accelerators delivering ultra short ( $10^{-15}$ - $10^{-18}$ s) pulses of radiation from EUV to  $\gamma$ -ray and energetic particles beams for European scientists.

Eli will practice an aggressive technology transfer, education and training activities.

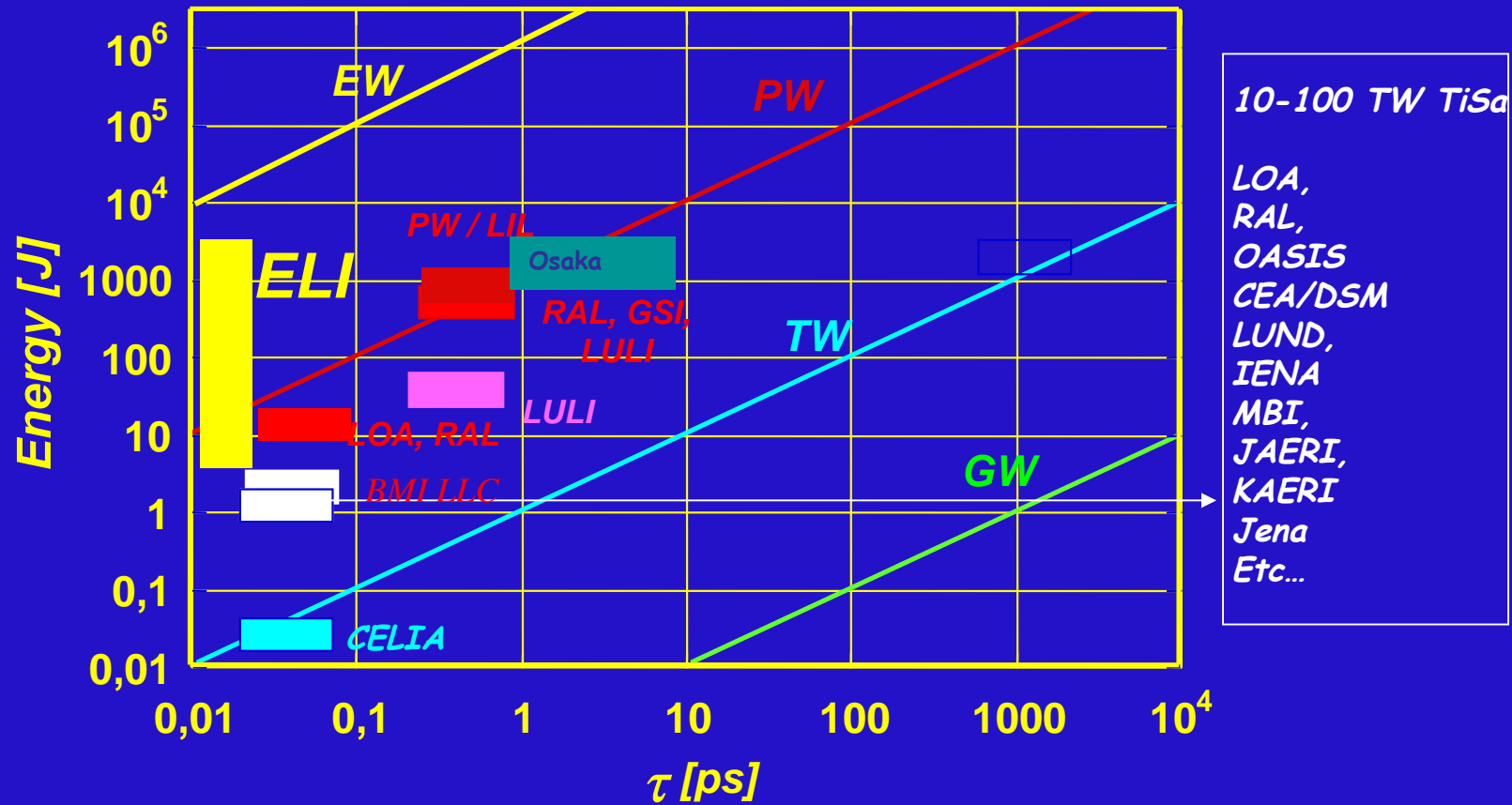


# Short Description of ELI

# Towards an Integrated Scientific Project for European Research : ELI



# Where do we stand ?



# ELI Objectives

The past 10-15 years has seen a new regime of interaction: the regime of relativistic optics ( $a_0 \sim 1-10$ )

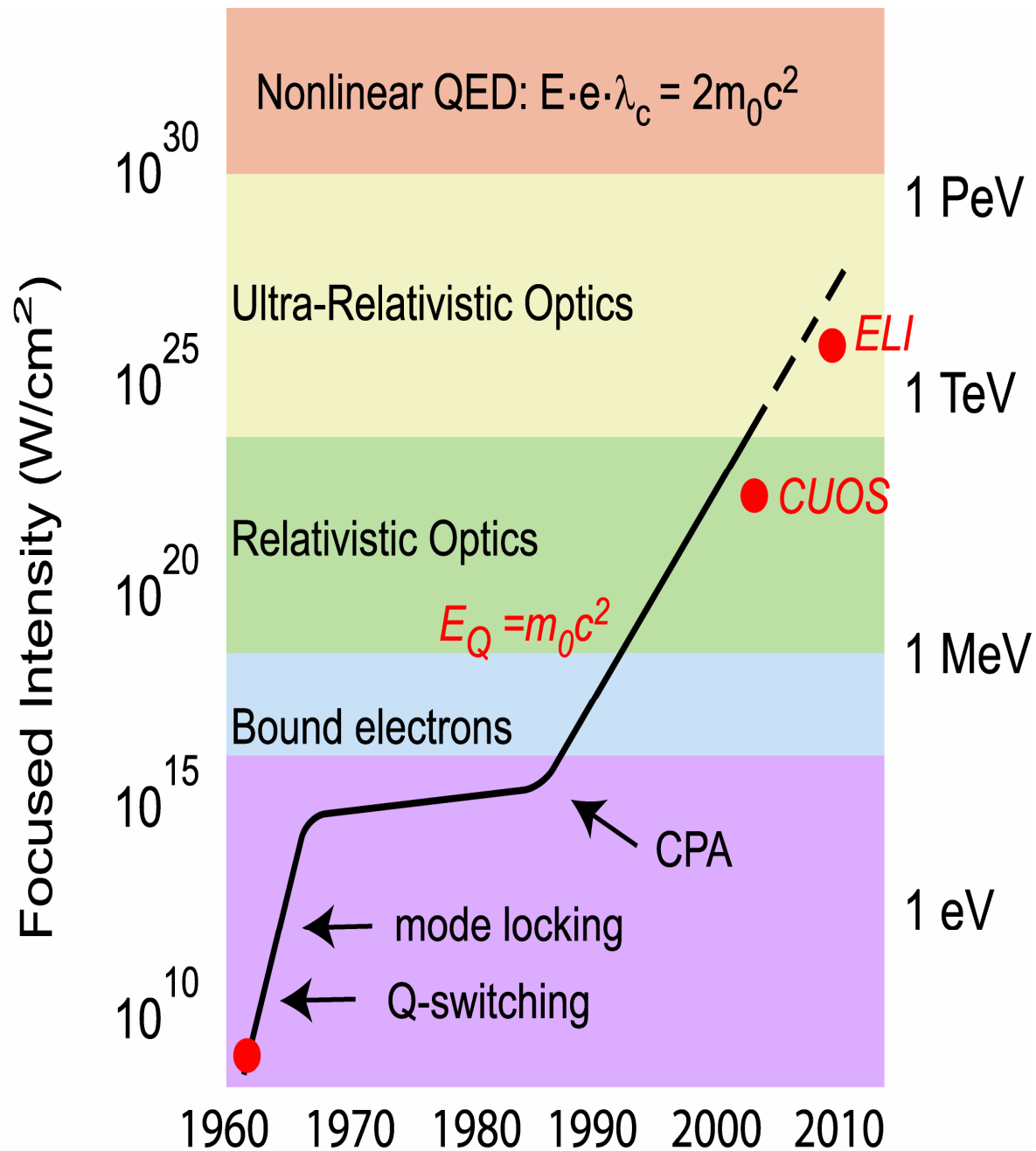
ELI will be a pluri-disciplinary scientific and Engineering facility.

The main scientific aim of ELI will be to investigate the ultra relativistic regime from  $10 < a_0 < 10^4$ .

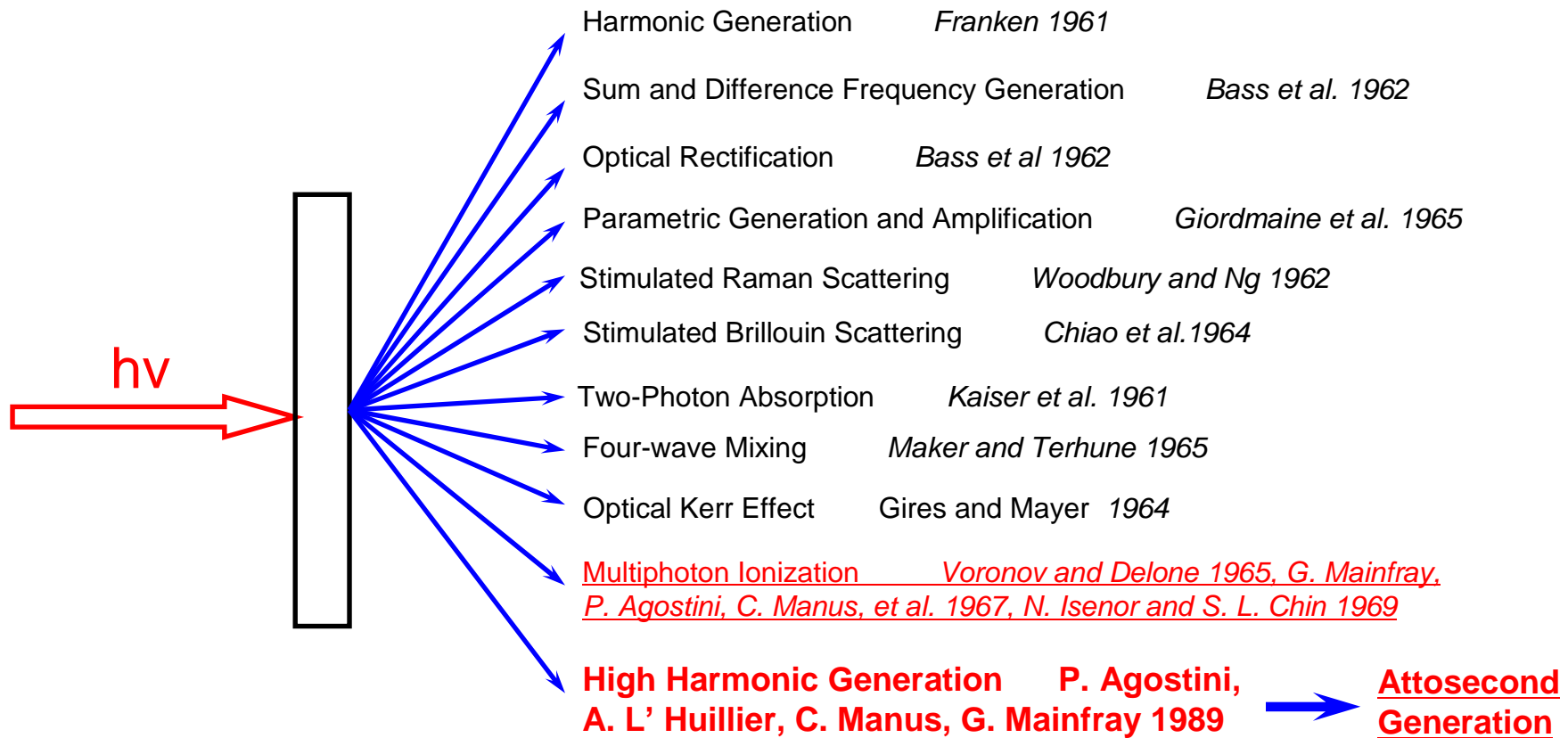
The very large  $a_0$  required will be achieved by the shortness of the pulses and less by the energy.

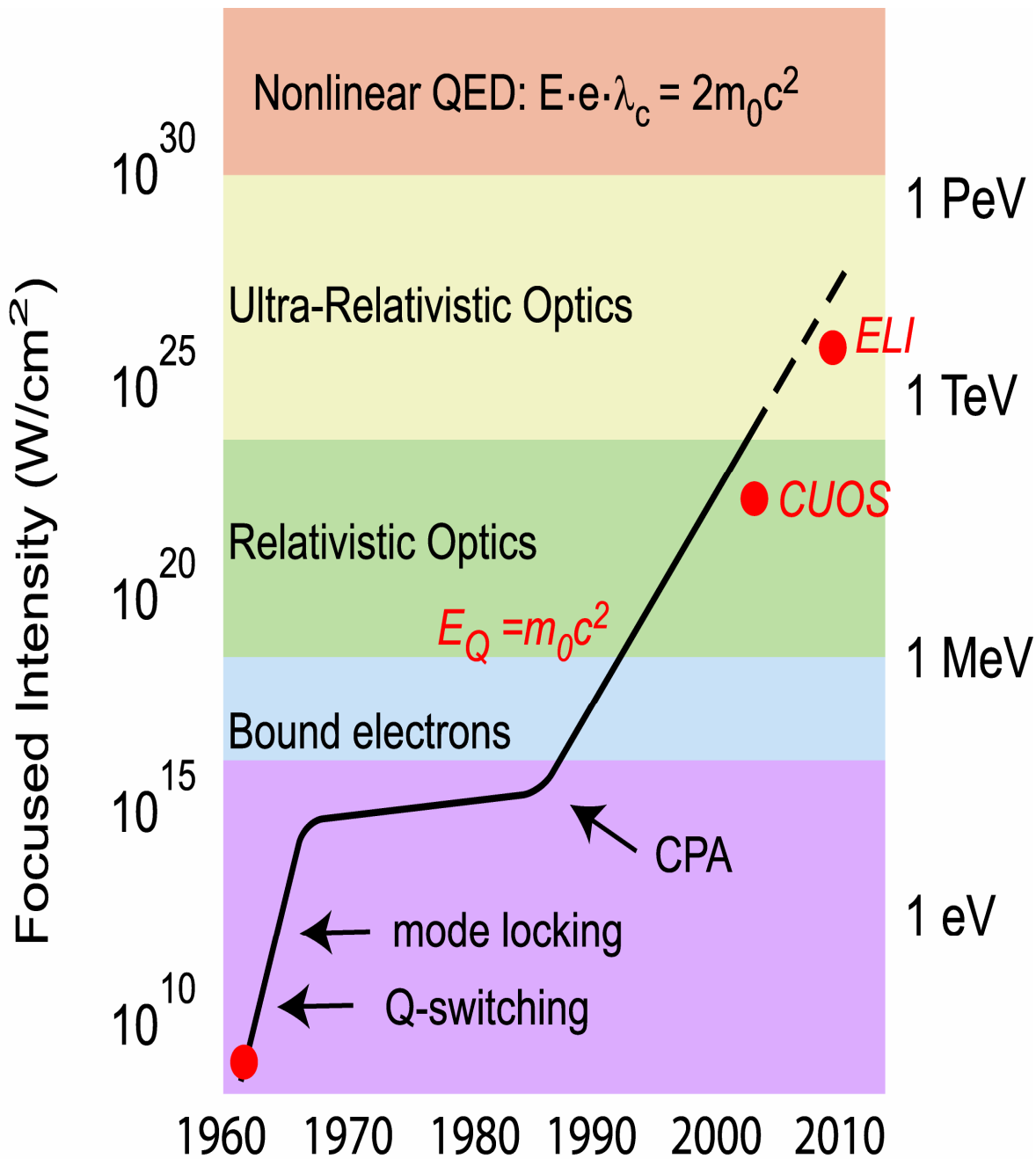
ELI rely on kHz front end and will evolve over the entire program 5-7 years towards an "Exawatt, 1/mn to 1Hz"

ELI will provide new beams of radiation, x, gamma, electron, proton, muon, neutrino

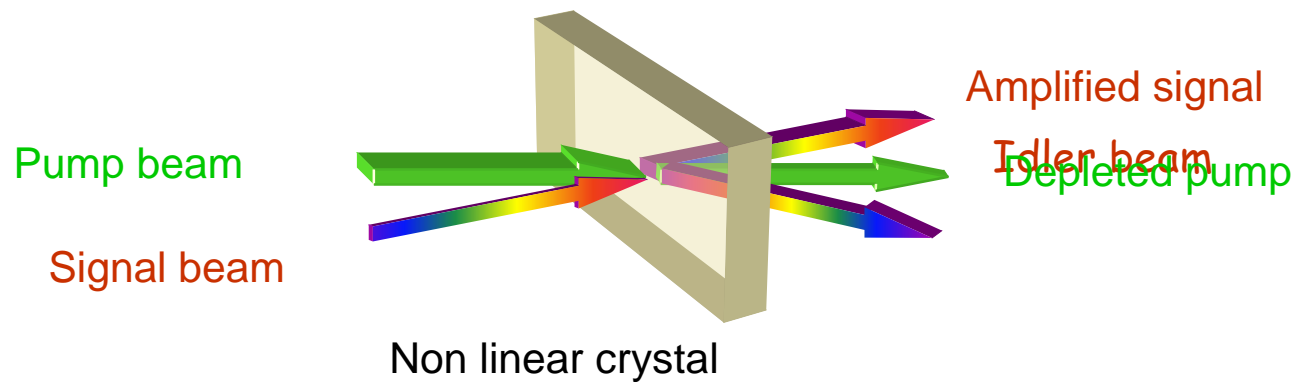


# Nonlinear Optics (bound electron)





# Physics of parametric amplification





# Special Laserlab Europe Session

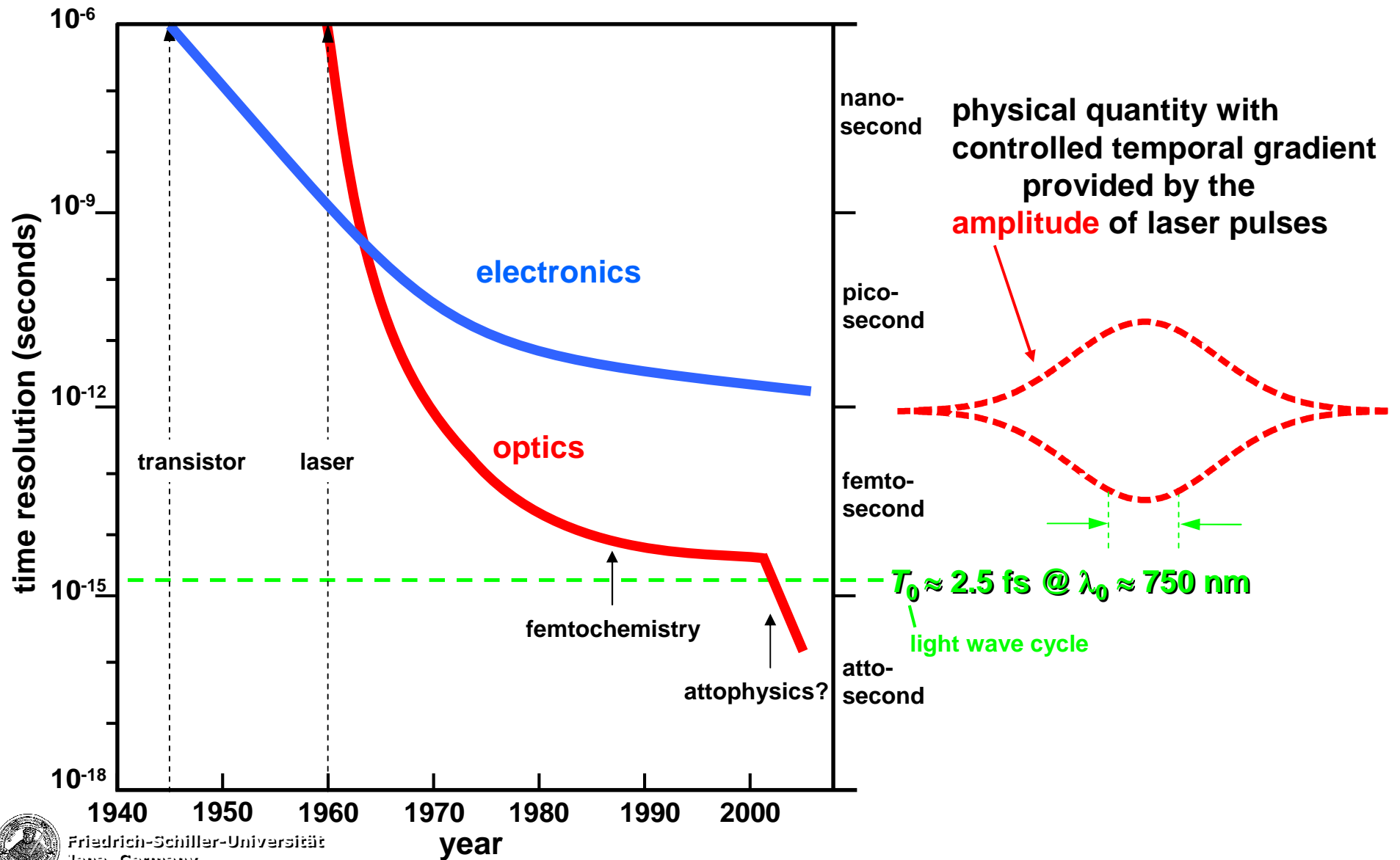
## Overview and Latest Developments of OPCPA

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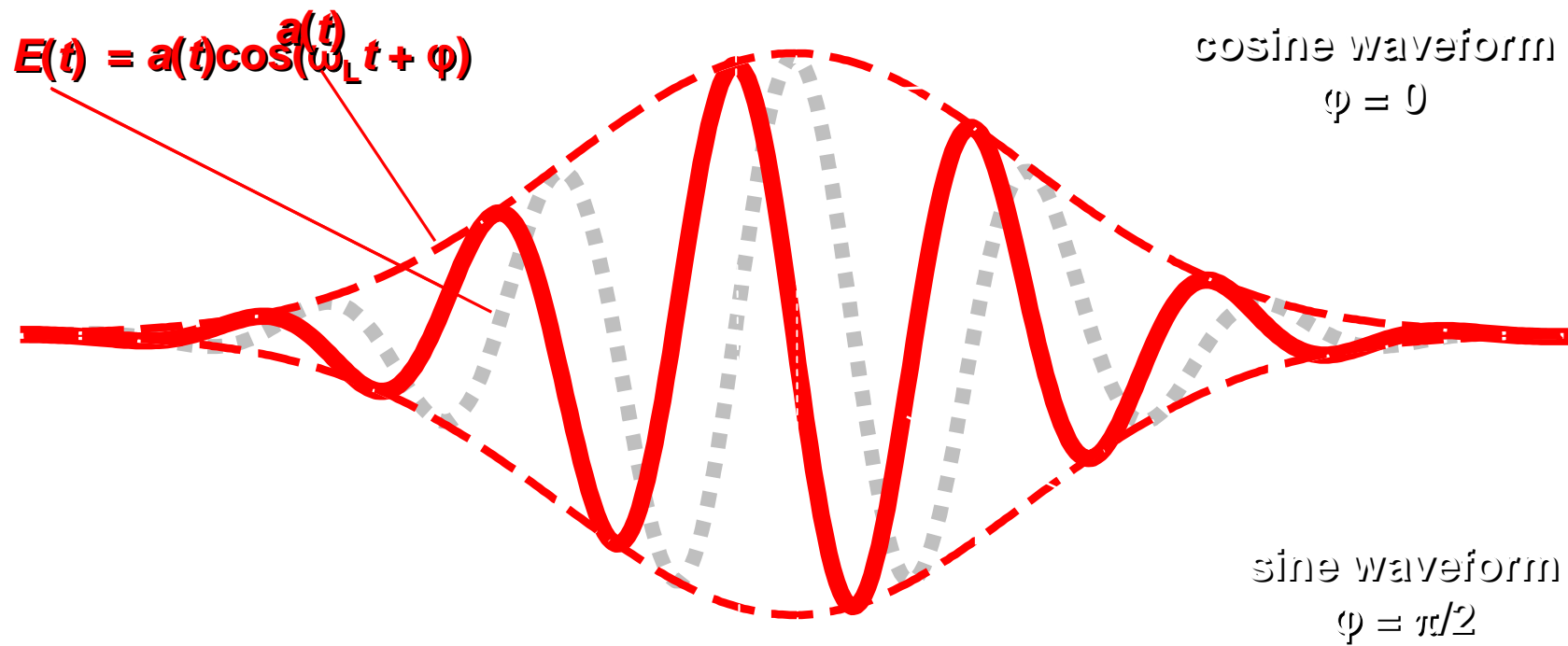
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# evolution of ultrafast metrology



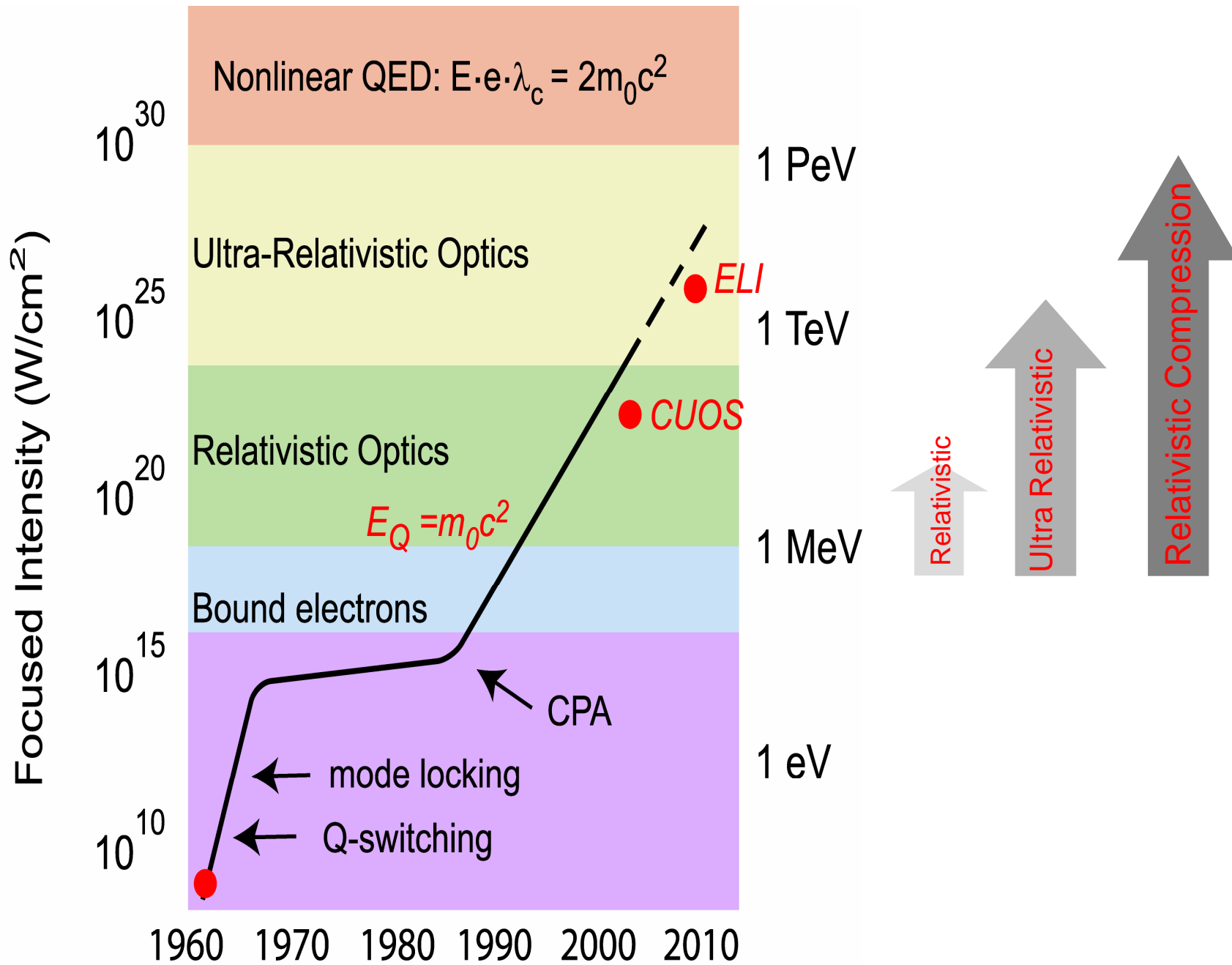
# femtosecond metrology on controlled amplitude gradient femtosecond pulses



$$T_0 \approx 2.5 \text{ fs}$$

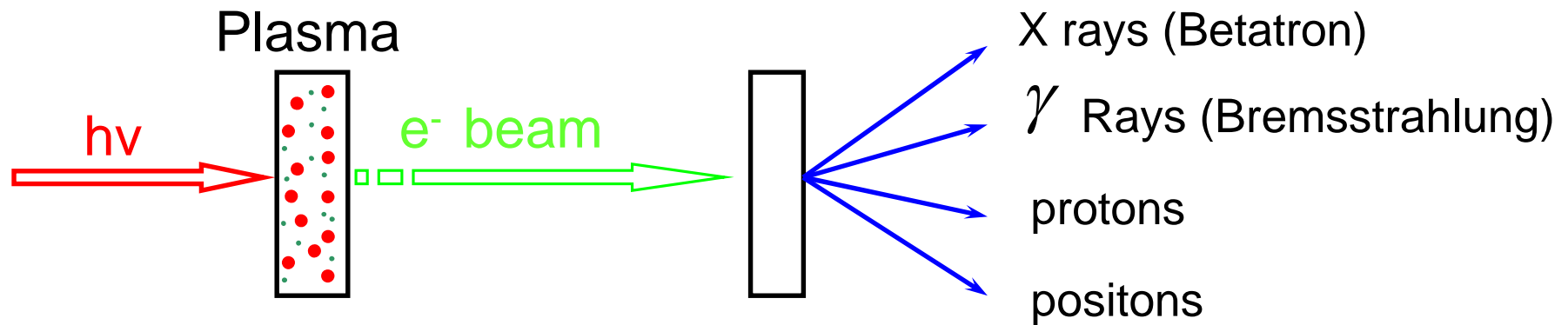
$$T_0/4 \approx 625 \text{ as } (@ \lambda_0 \approx 0.75 \mu\text{m})$$



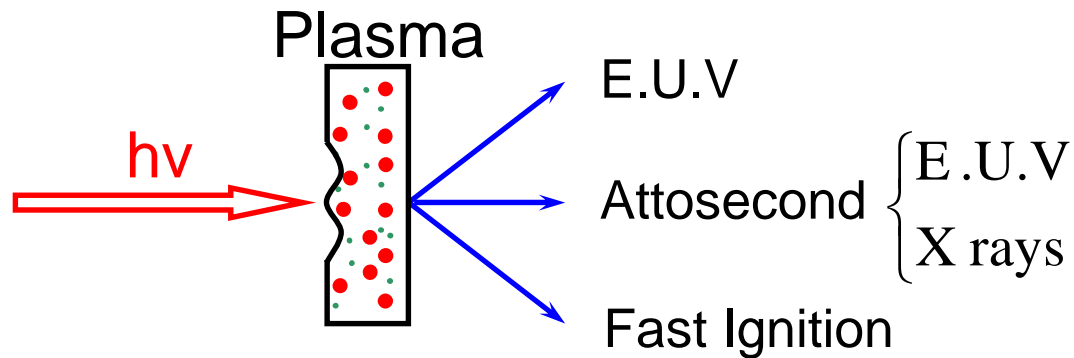


# Relativistic Optics

## Strong Motion of Matter

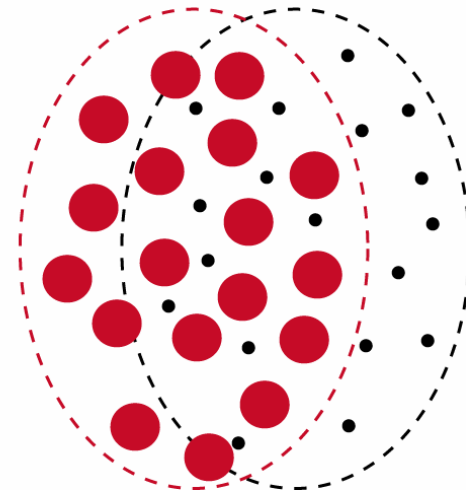
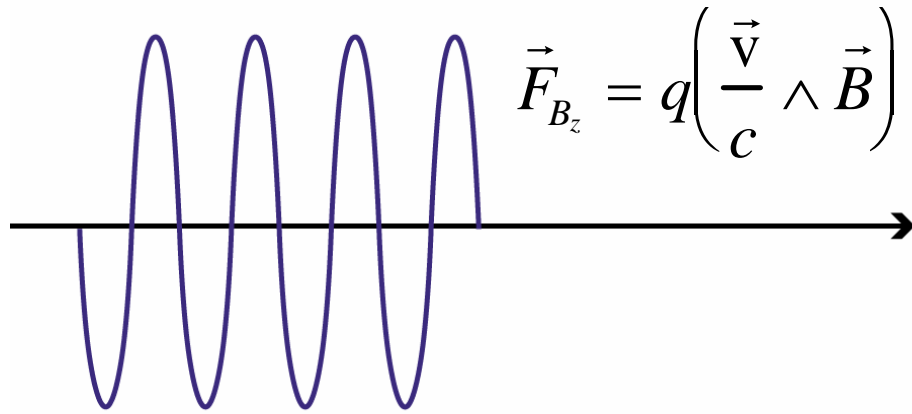


## Large Laser Pressure



# *Relativistic Rectification*

*(Wake-Field Tajima, Dawson)*  $\vec{E}_s$  



- 1)  $\vec{v} \wedge \vec{B}$  pushes the electrons.
- 2) The charge separation generates an electrostatic longitudinal field. (Tajima and Dawson: Wake Fields or Snow Plough) 
$$E_s = \frac{c\gamma m_o \omega_p}{e} = \sqrt{4\pi\gamma m_o c^2 n_e}$$
- 3) The electrostatic field  $E_s \approx E_L$

# Relativistic Rectification

-*Ultrahigh Intensity Laser is associated with Extremely large E field.*

$$E_L^2 = Z_0 * I_L$$

Medium Impedance

Laser Intensity

$$I_L = 10^{18} \text{ W / cm}^2$$

$$E_L = 2 \text{ TV / m}$$

$$I_L = 10^{23} \text{ W / cm}^2$$

$$E_L = .6 \text{ PV / m} \quad (0.6 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ V / m})$$

# *Laser Acceleration:*

*At  $10^{23} \text{W/cm}^2$ ,  $E = 0.6 \text{PV/m}$ , it is SLAC (50GeV, 3km long) on  $10 \mu\text{m}$  The size of the Fermi accelerator will only be one meter (PeV accelerator that will go around the globe, based on conventional technology).*

## *Relativistic Microelectronics*

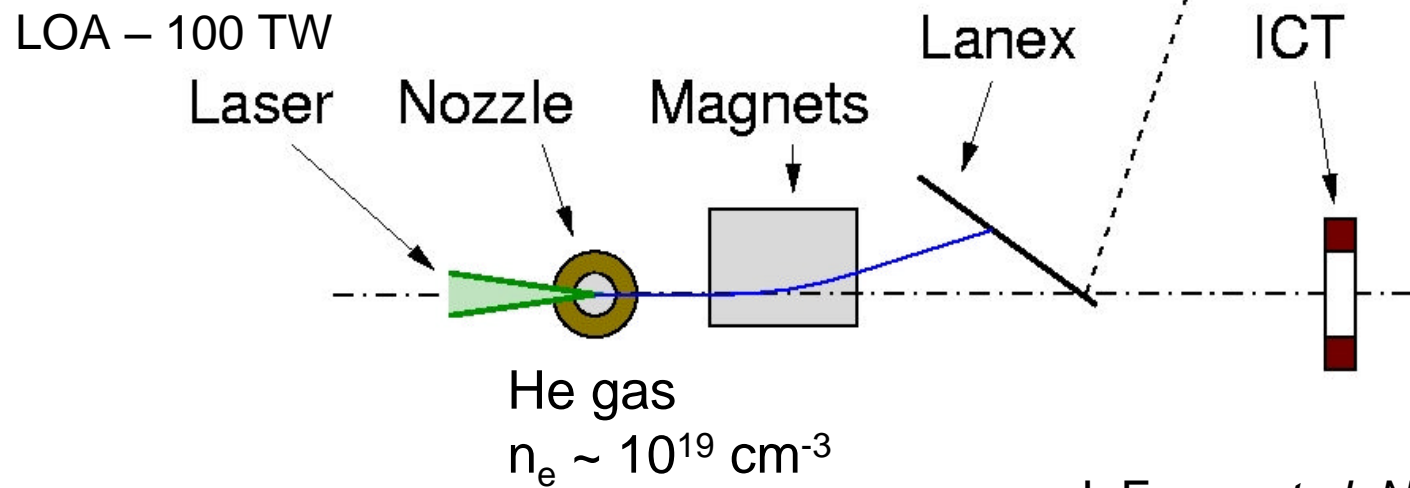
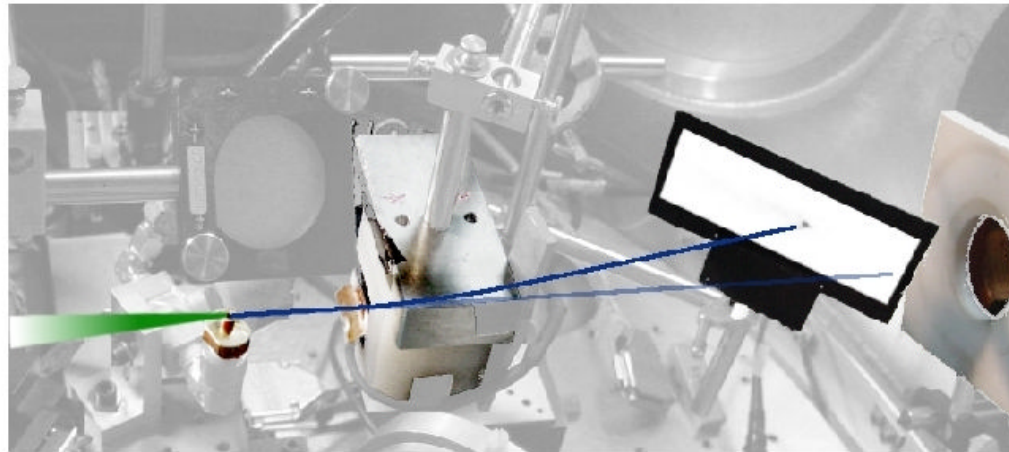


# *The Dream Beam*



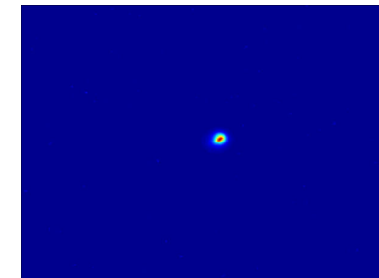
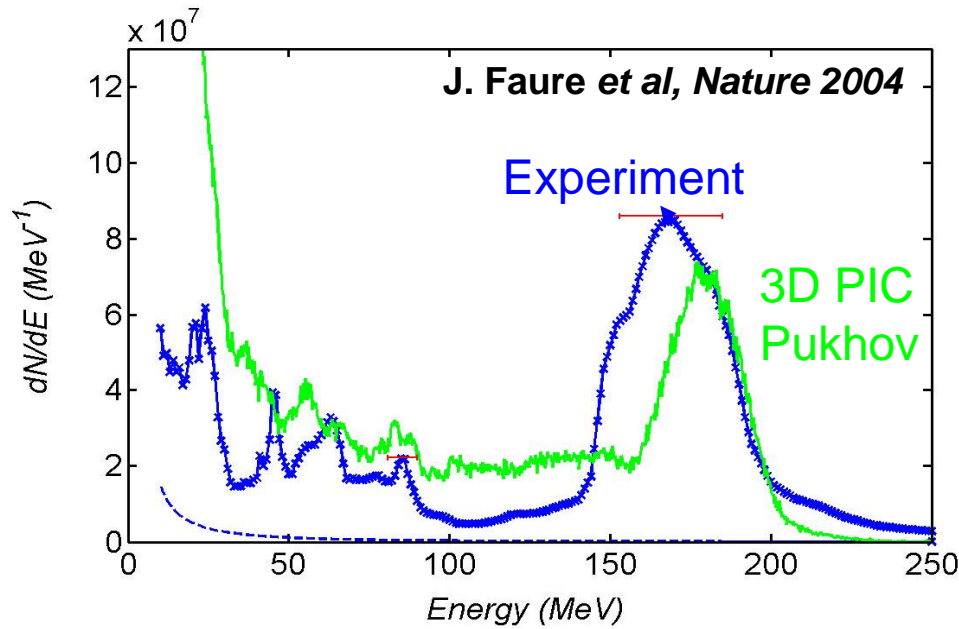
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# Recent results on electrons acceleration - Setup

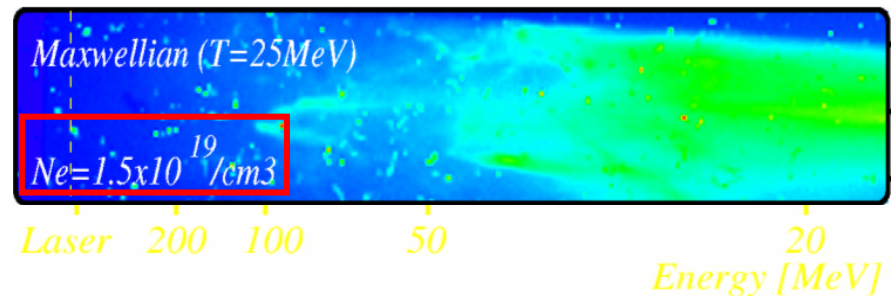
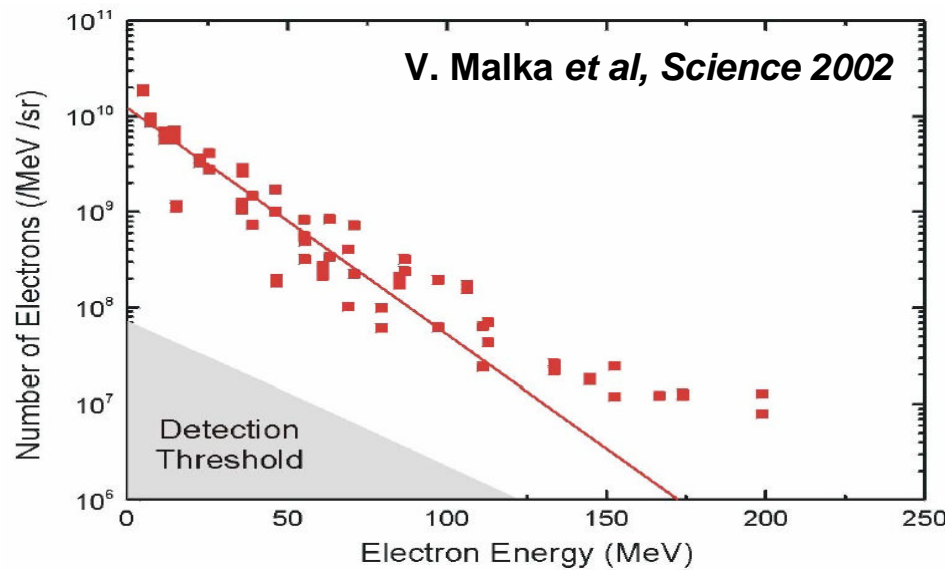
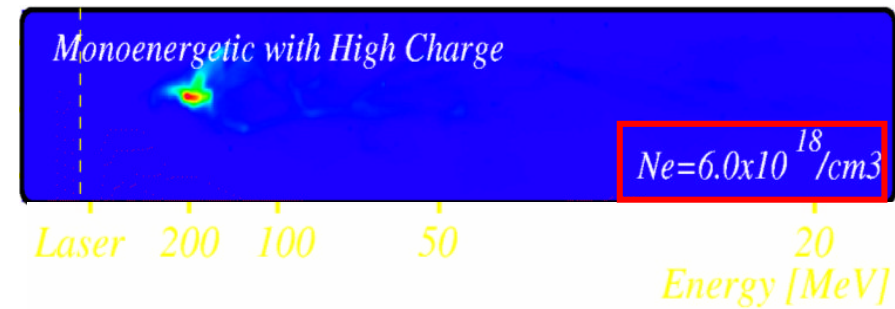


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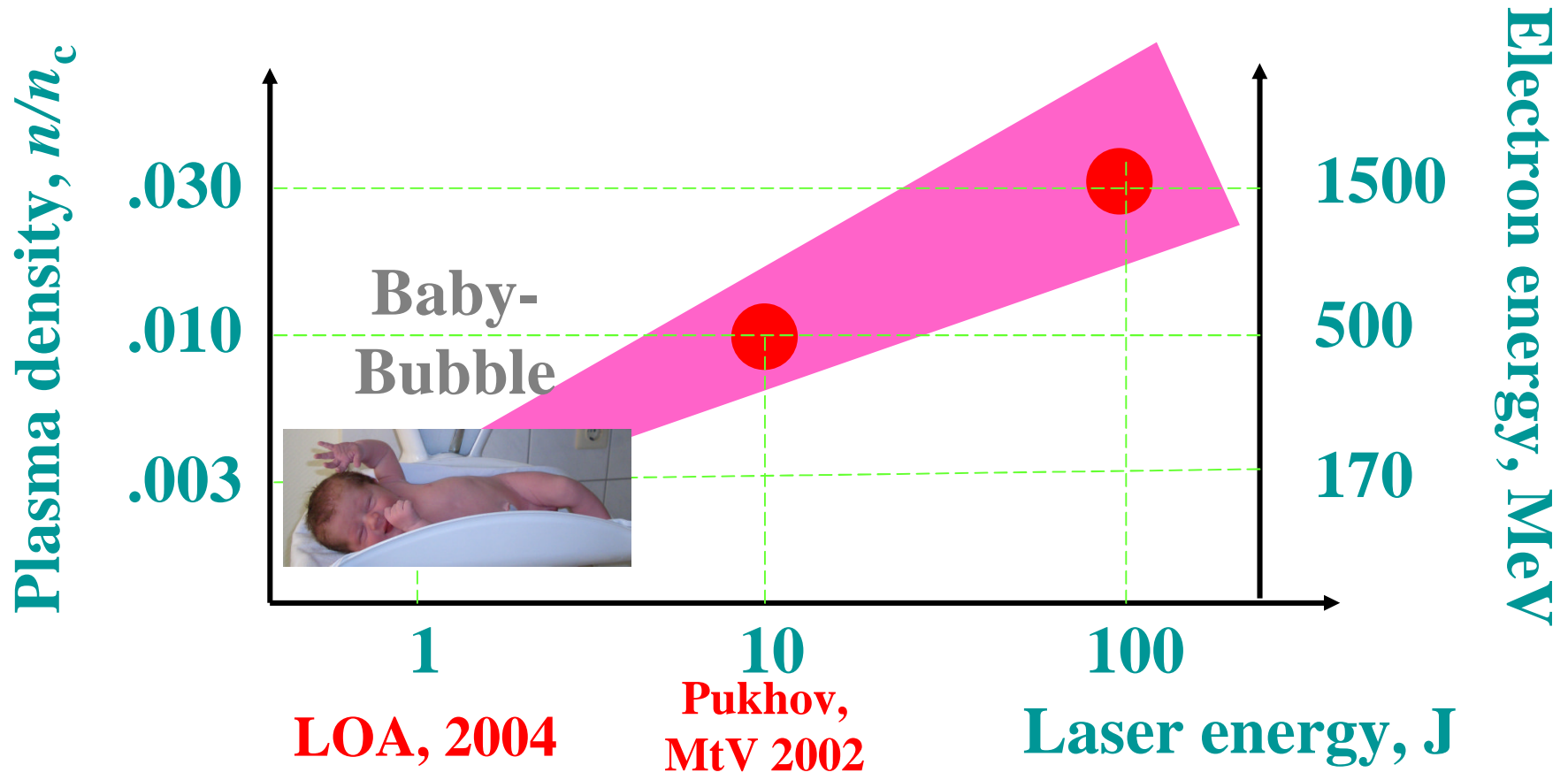


Divergence  
< 6 mrad



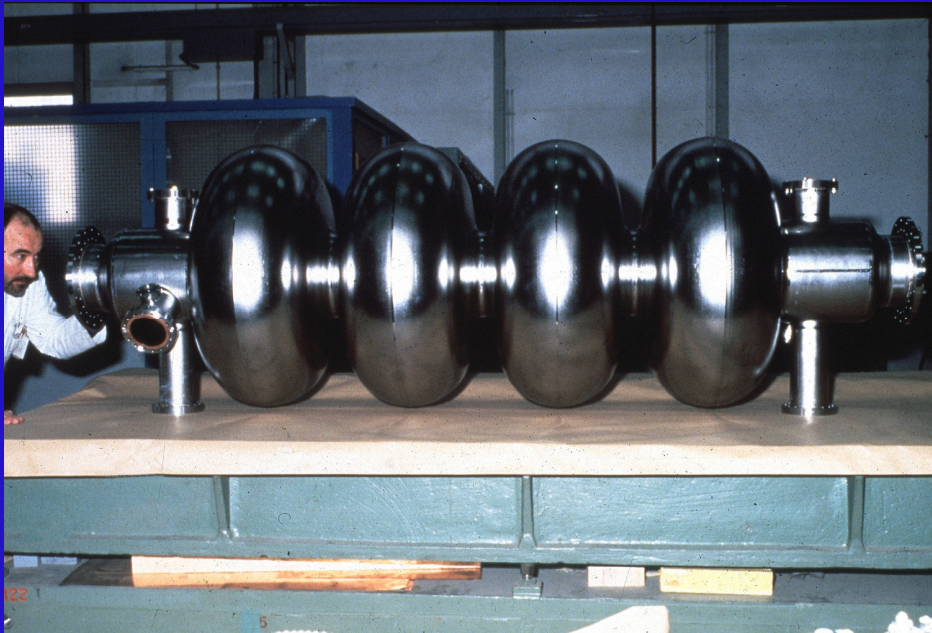
# The Bubble Family

Fixing laser pulse duration to 30 fs

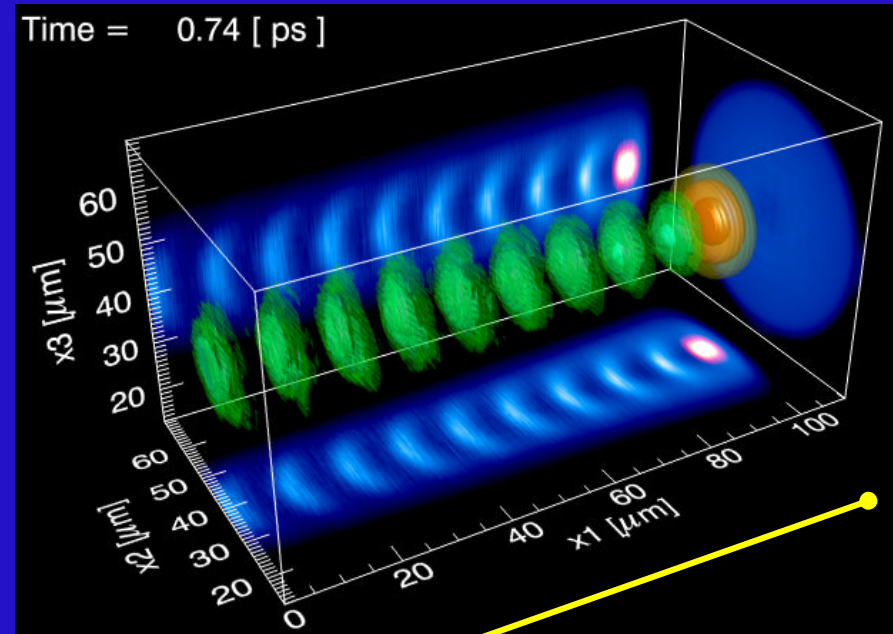




# Relativistic microelectronic devices



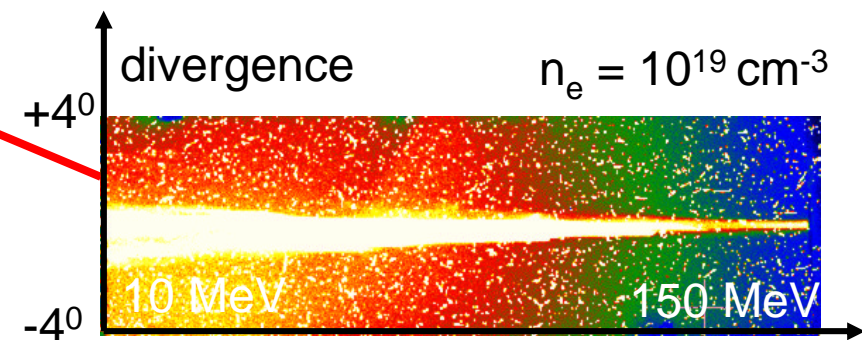
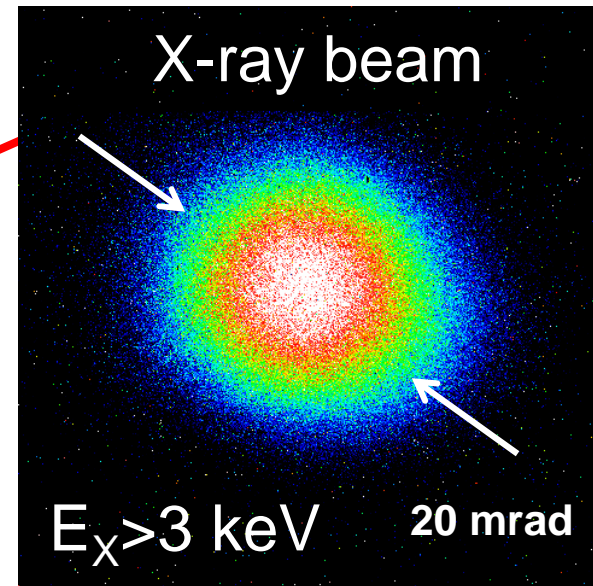
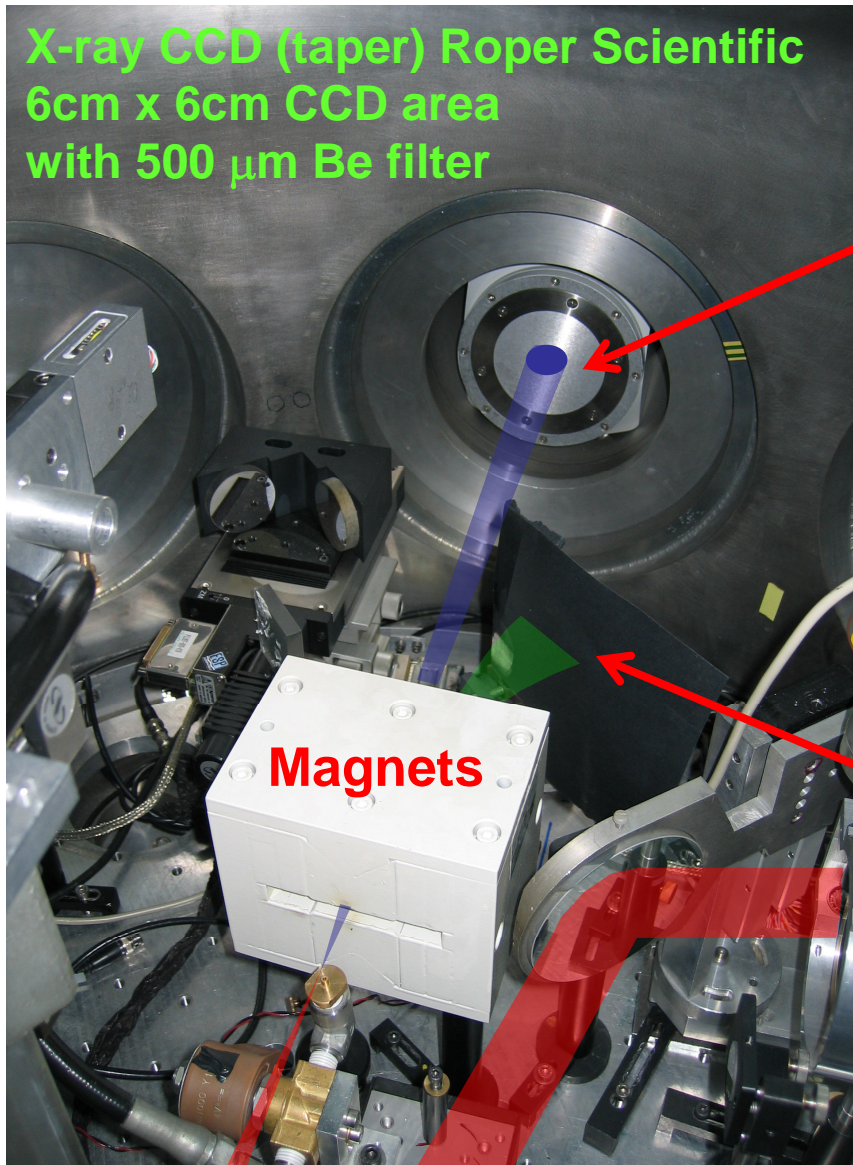
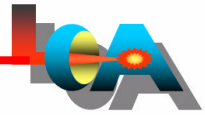
1 m  
RF cavity



100 μm  
Plasma cavity

*Courtesy of W. Mori*

# Simultaneous measurements of X-ray and Electron Beams



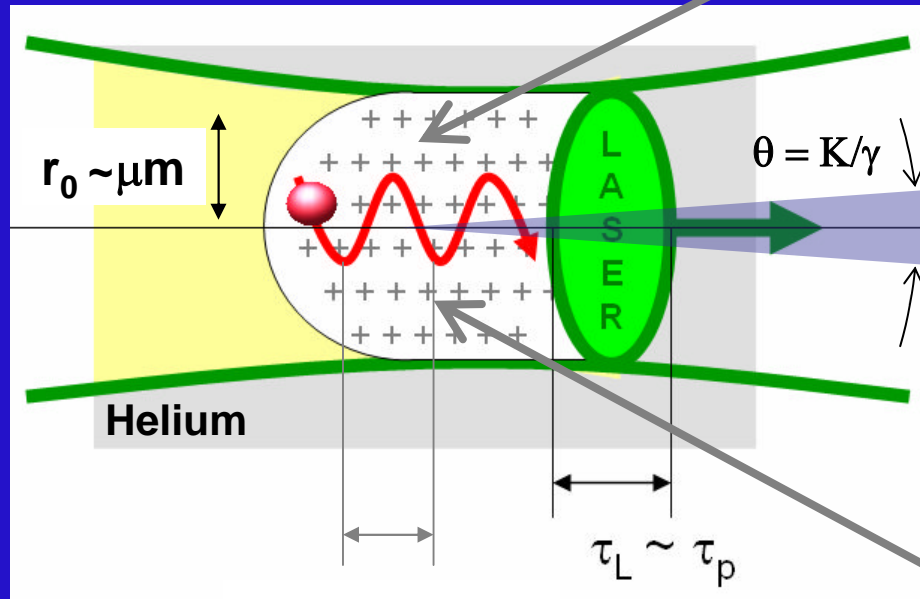
Electron beam

K. Ta Phuoc et al





# Principles of the Betatron radiation



**Plasma accelerator**

Acceleration field  
~ TeV / meter

$E_L \rightarrow 200 \text{ MeV}$

**X-ray beam:**

$10^9 \text{ ph/shot}$   
20 mrad  
femtosecond

**Plasma wiggler**

$\lambda_u \sim 100 \mu\text{m}$

$K \sim 20 > 1, \text{wiggler}$

$K = \gamma k_b r_0$

$\lambda_u \sim 100 \mu\text{m}$

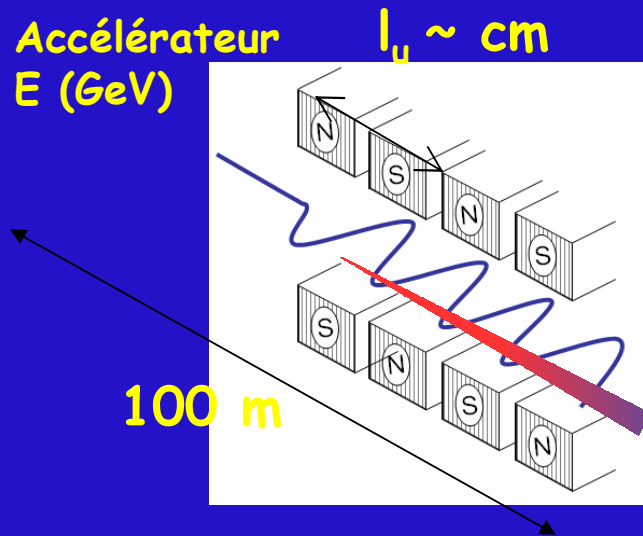
Betatron oscillation

$K \sim \gamma r_0 / \lambda_{\text{bet.}}$

# Laser based Synchrotron radiation



## Synchrotron



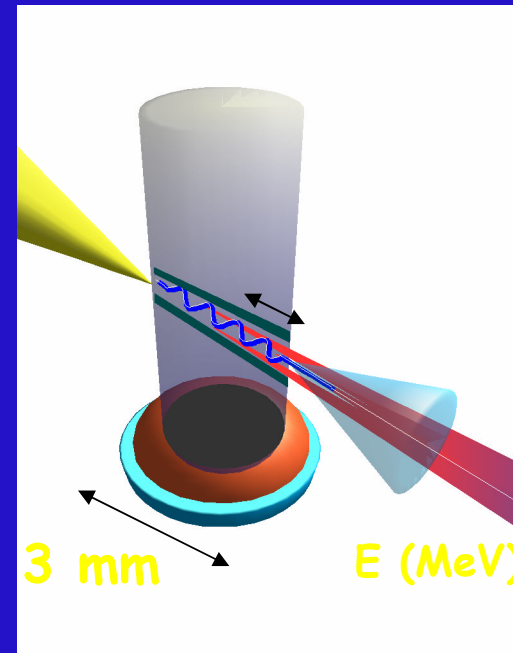
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Laser

Rayonnement X

$$\lambda \sim \lambda_u / \gamma^2$$

## Laser based Synchrotron radiation

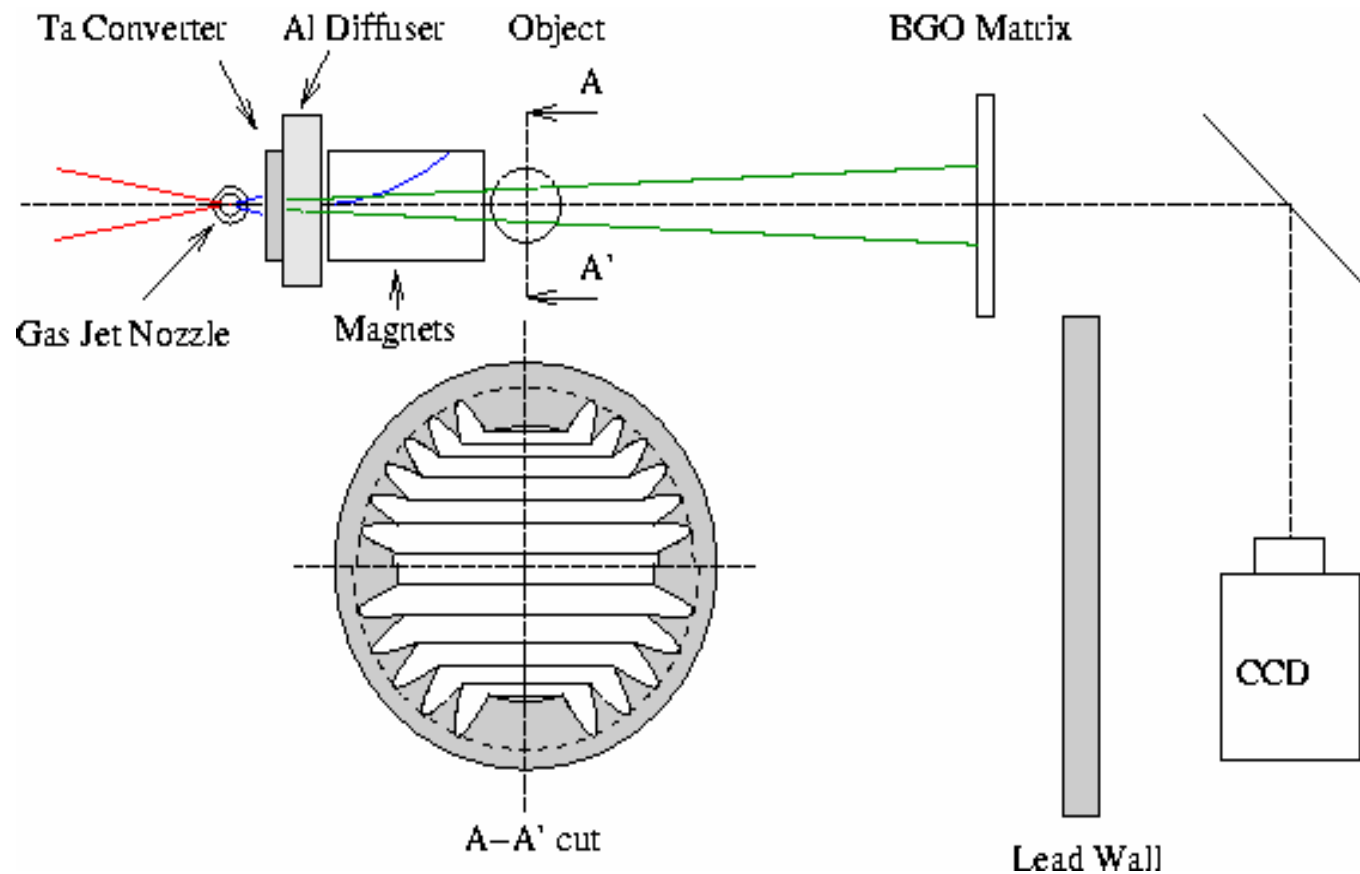


$l_u \sim 10-100 \text{ mm}$



# Application: high resolution $\gamma$ -radiography

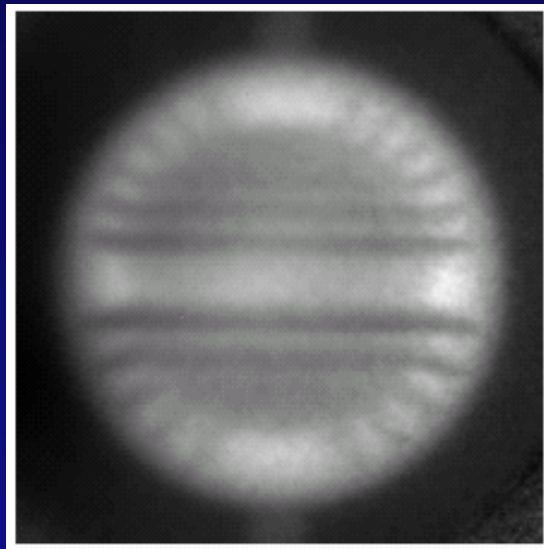
Advantages: low divergence, point-like electron source



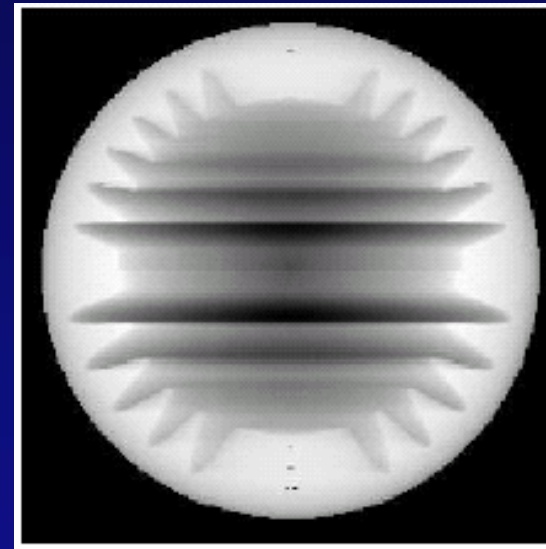
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## $\gamma$ -radiography results

Higher resolution: of the order of 400  $\mu\text{m}$

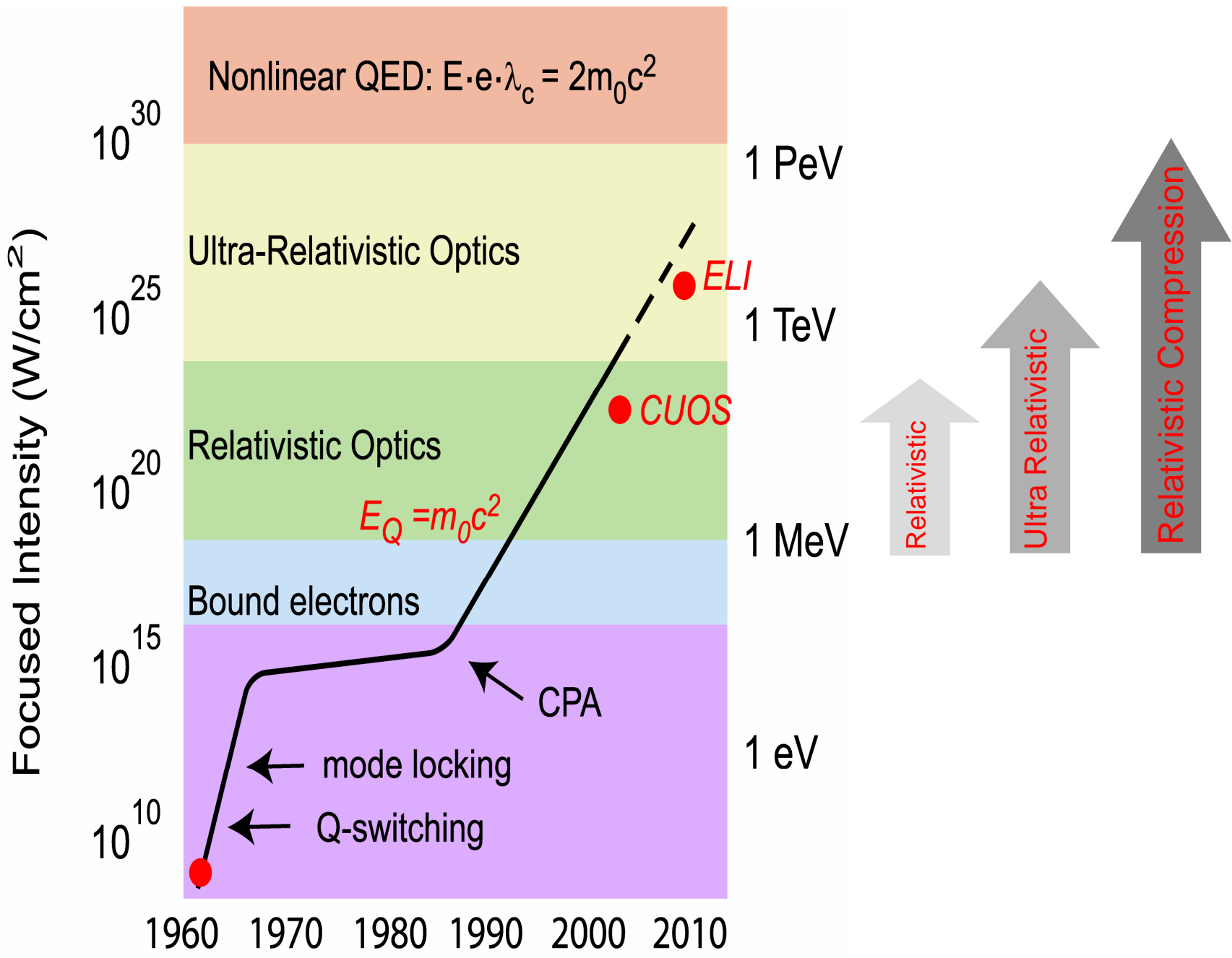


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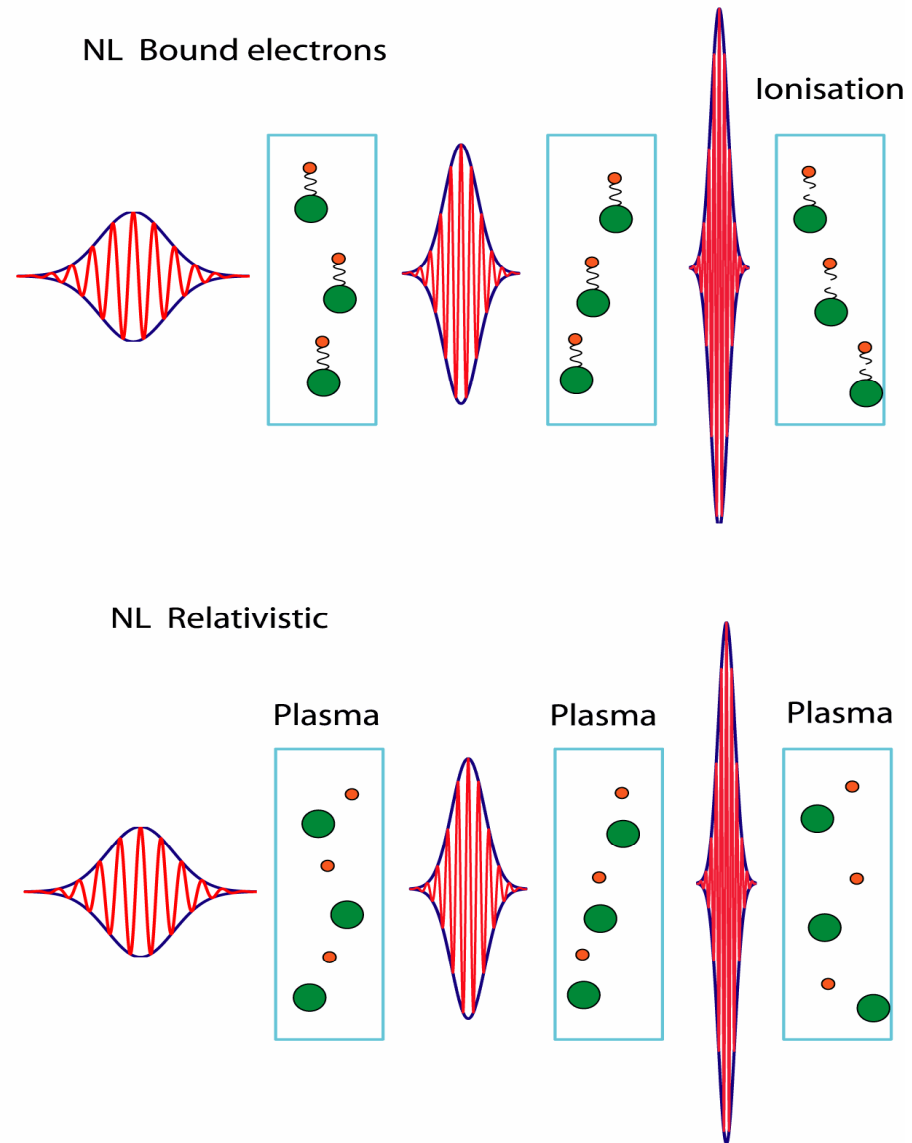


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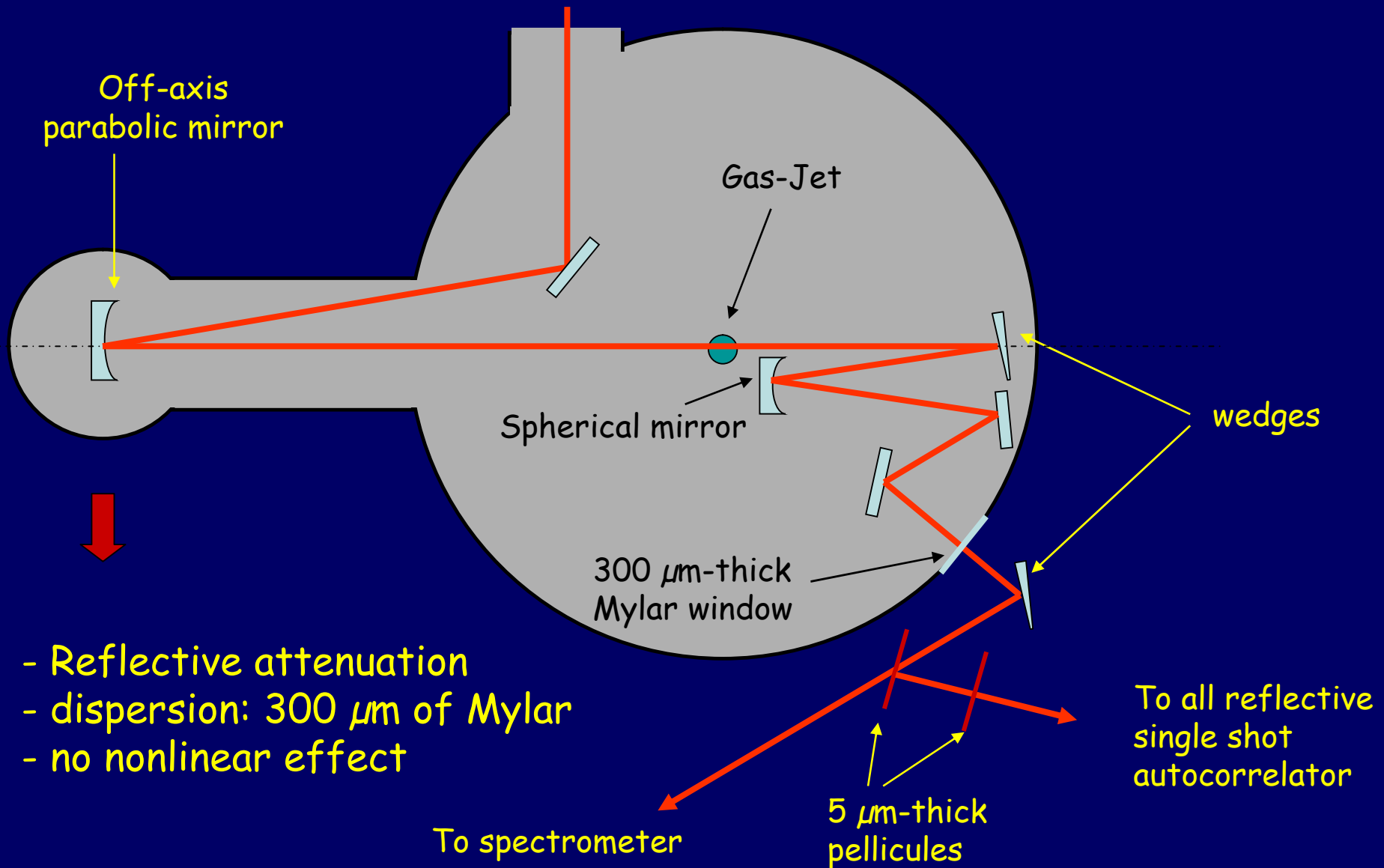
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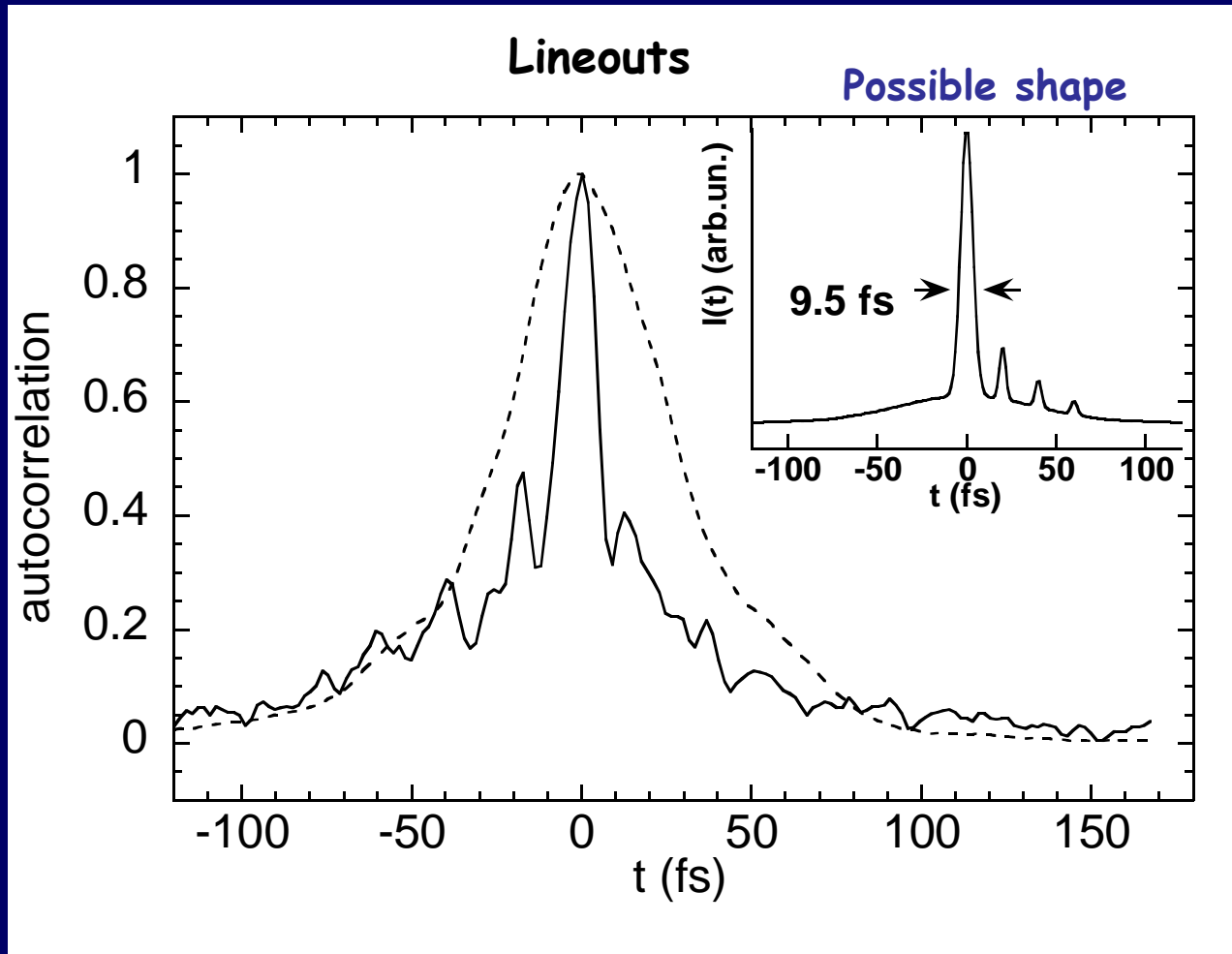
# The Pulse duration-Intensity Virtuous Cycle



# Laser pulse self-compression: experiment



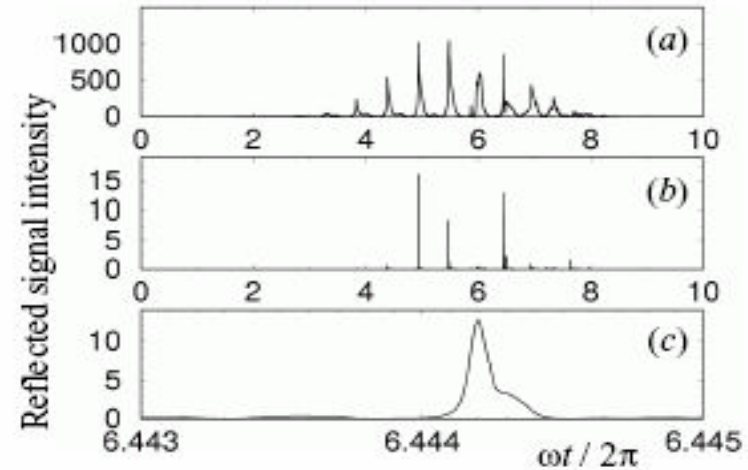
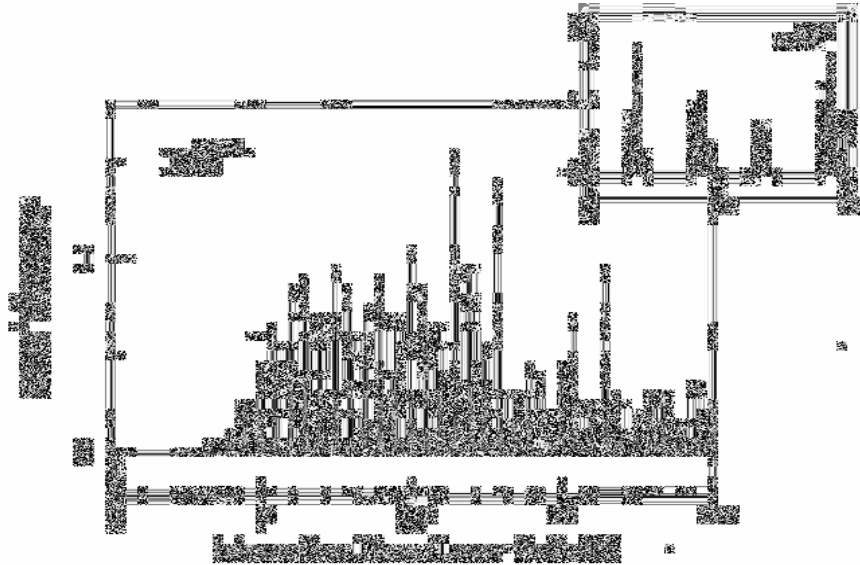
# Laser pulse autocorrelation



- sensitive to  $c\tau/\lambda_p$
- duration depends on pulse shape (gaussian)
- Initial duration  $\tau \sim 38 \pm 2$  fs
- Final duration  $\tau \sim 9.5 \pm 2$  fs
- Energy efficiency  $\sim 20\%$

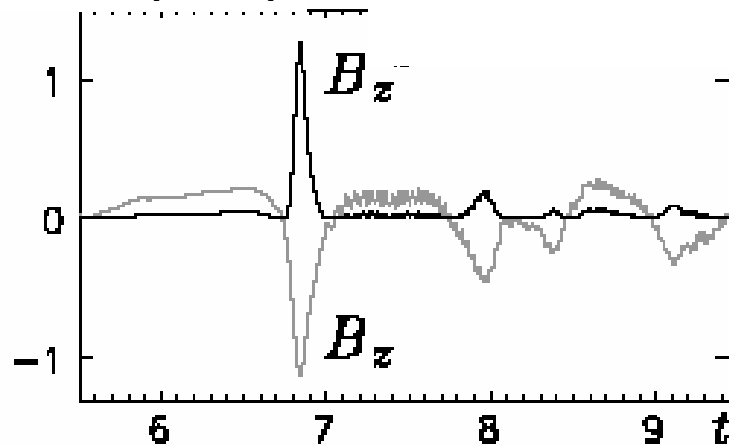
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# HHG and Subfemtosecond Pulses from surfaces of dense plasmas



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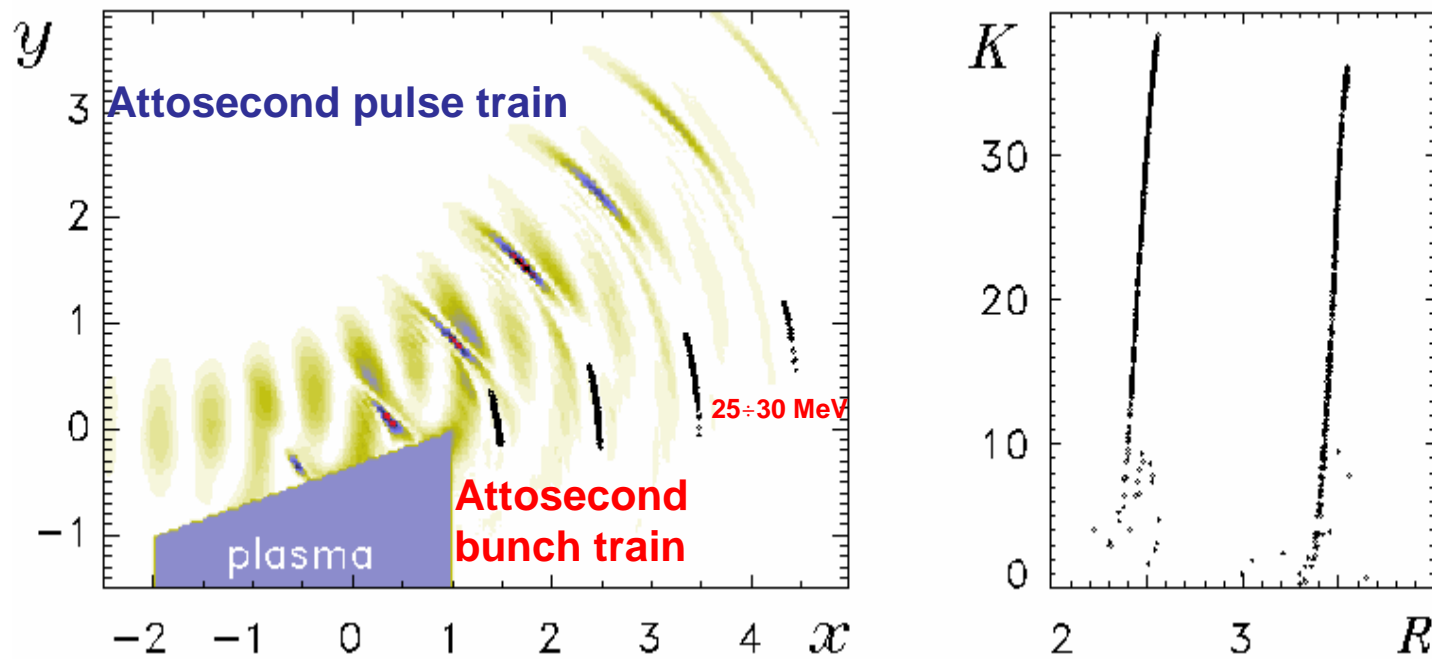
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# Attosecond Electron Bunches

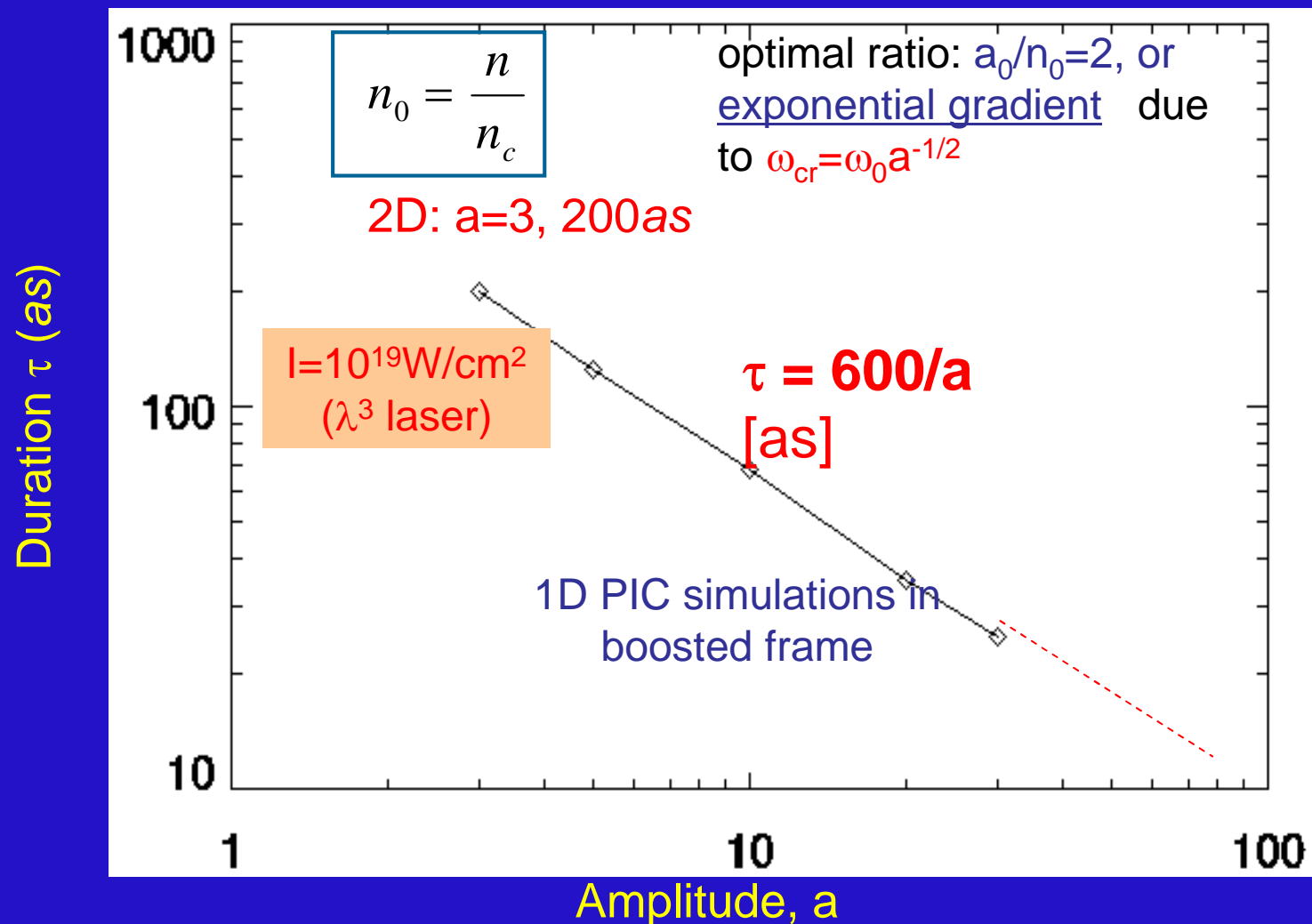
$$a_0=10, \tau=15\text{fs}, f/1, n_0=25n_{\text{cr}}$$



N. Naumova, I. Sokolov, J. Nees, A. Maksimchuk, V. Yanovsky, and G. Mourou, Attosecond Electron Bunches, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **93**, 195003 (2004).

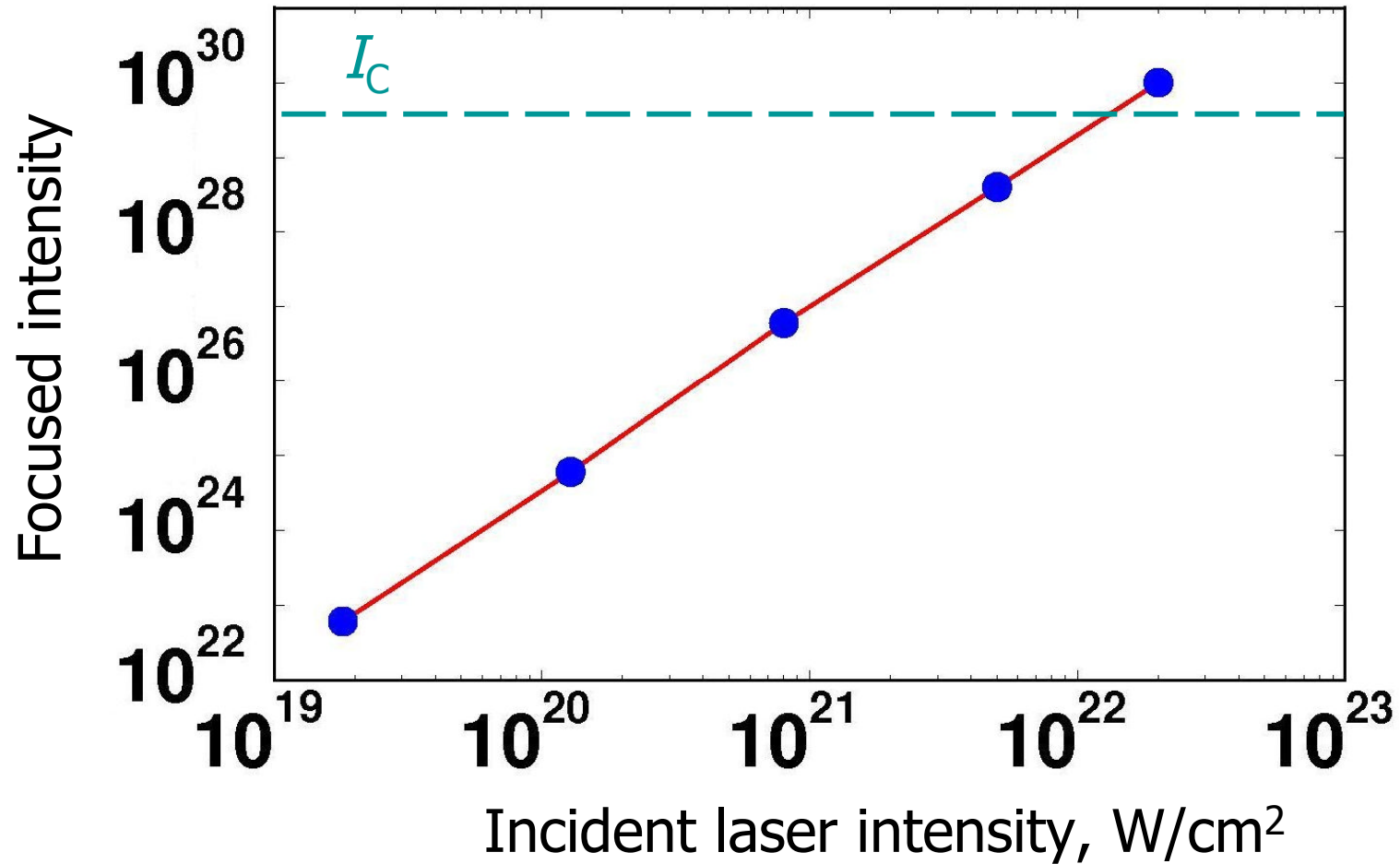


# Scalable Isolated Attosecond Pulses



# Scaling of the CHF intensity

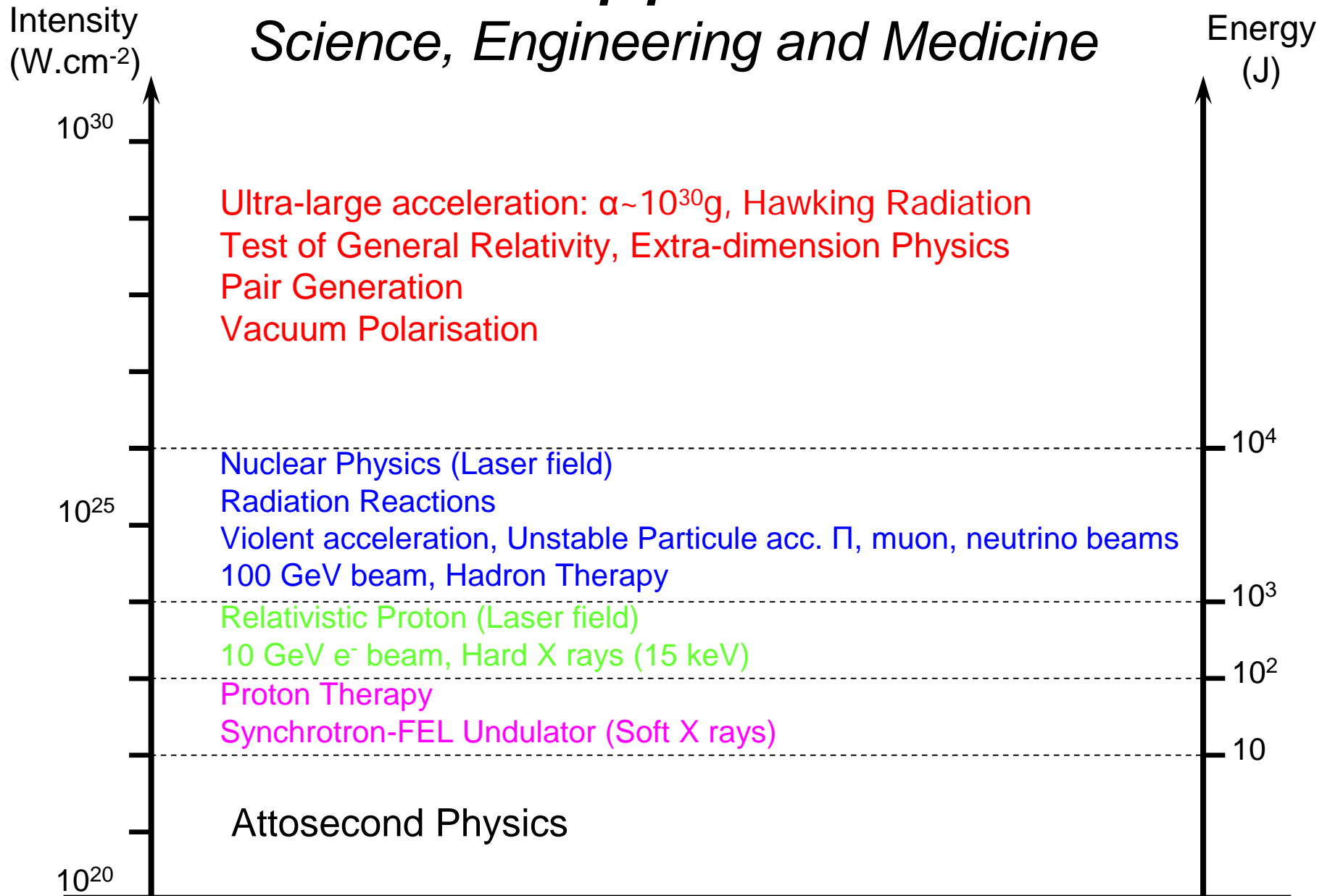
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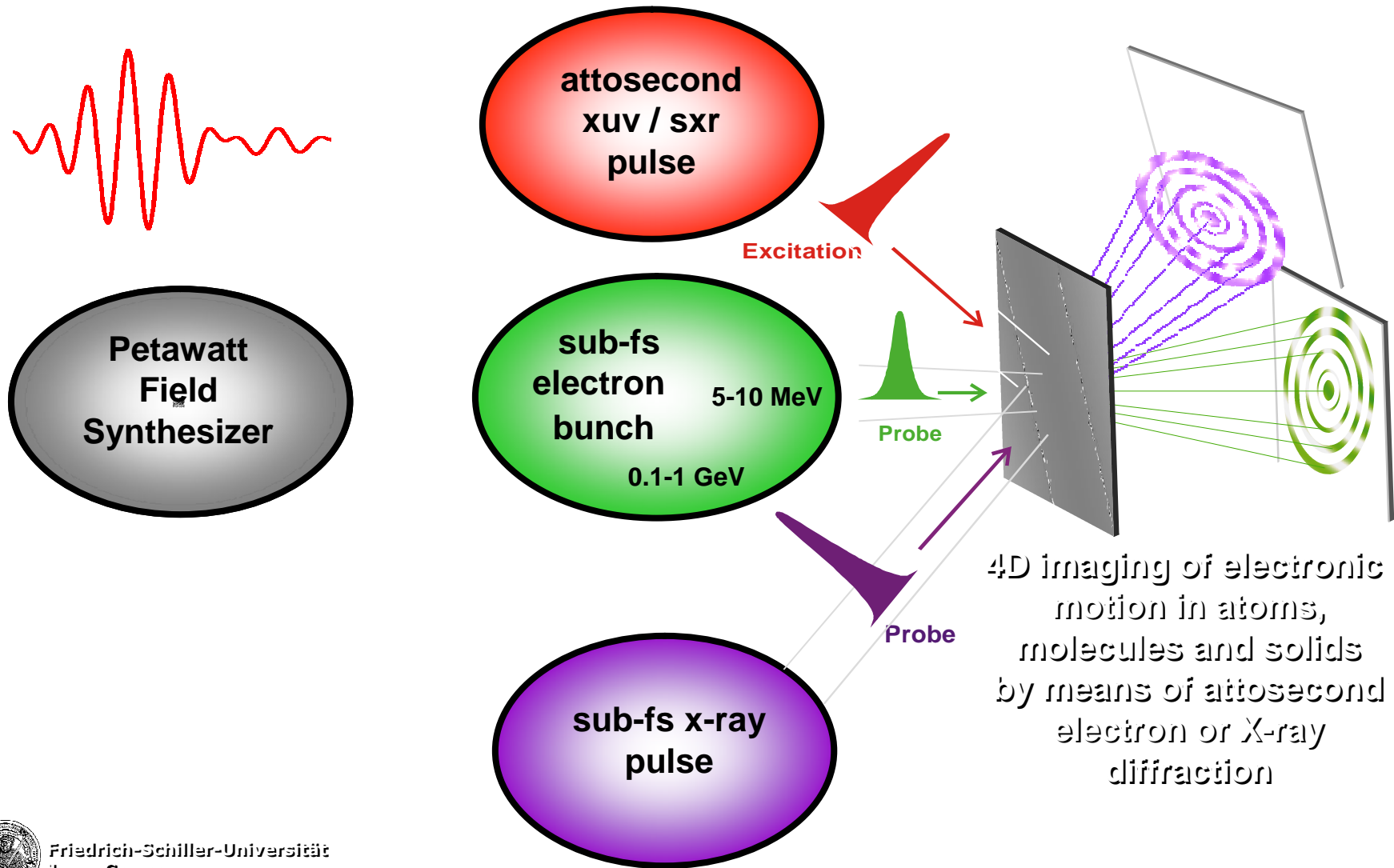
Science case  
New areas to be opened

# *E.L.I Applications*

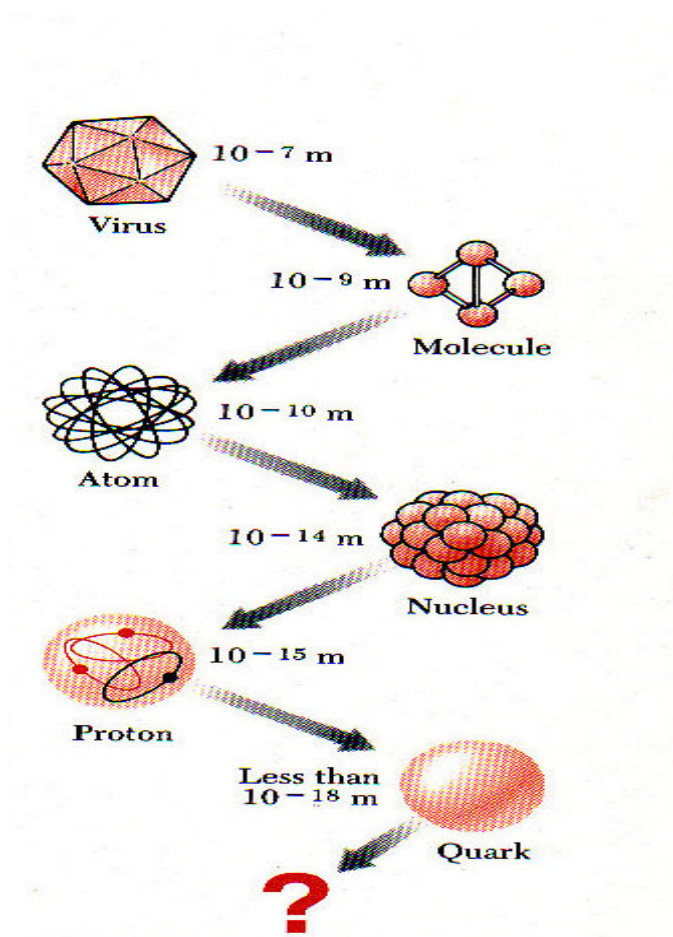
## *Science, Engineering and Medicine*



# control & 4D imaging of valence & core electrons with sub-atomic resolution

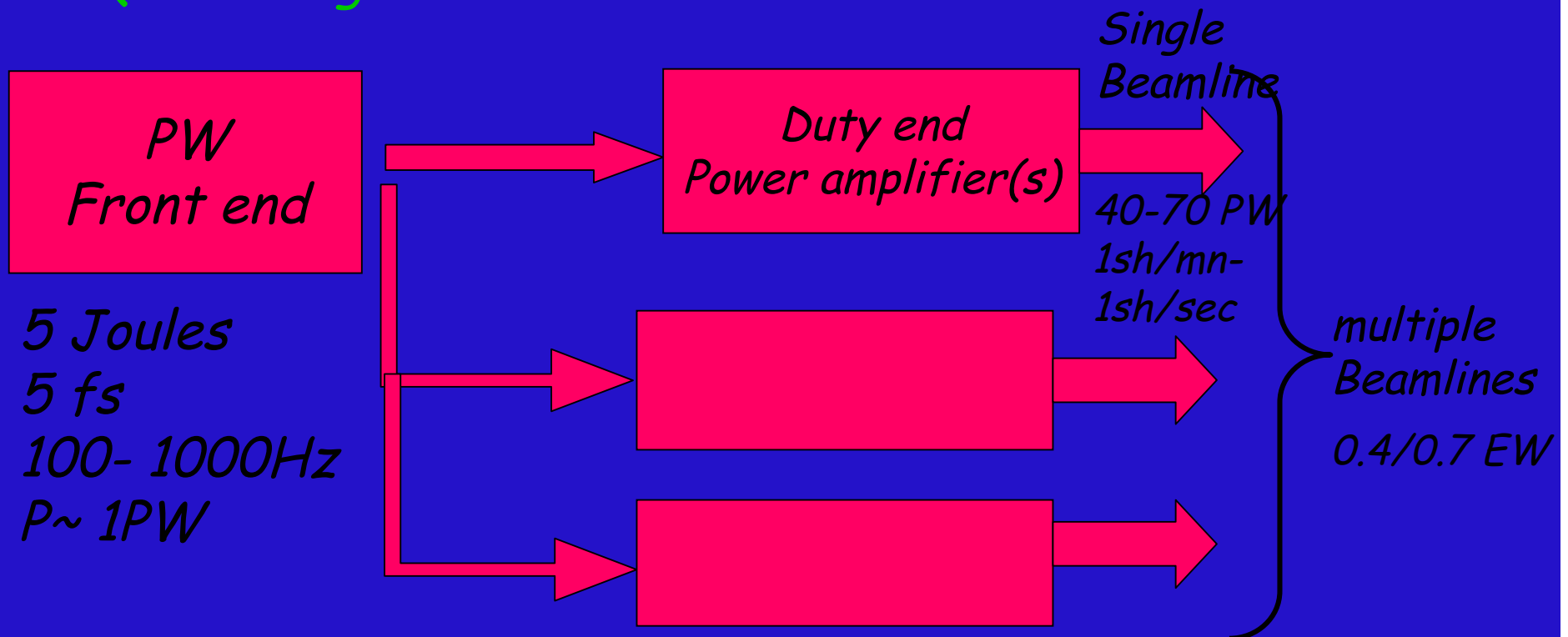


# *Moving from the Atomic Structure to the Quark Structure of Matter*



# Exawatt laser scheme

*MPQ Garching*



*1 EW = 1000 PW =  $10^{18}$  W  $\Rightarrow$  10 KJ in 10fs*  
*0.1 EW = 100 PW =  $10^{17}$  W  $\Rightarrow$  1 KJ in 10 fs*

# Conclusion (Laser)

*Today it is realistic to design a single beam laser delivering  
10 to 20 PW in 10/20fs at one shot per minute*

*By pushing everything to the limits on a single beam:  
70 PW at 1 hertz ( $10^{25} \text{W/cm}^2$ ) is conceivable  
(large improvements needed on pump lasers)*

*When combining 10 beams (phase locked),  
350 to 700 PW is achievable leading to  $10^{26} \text{W/cm}^2$*



# Impact to society and New technologies for Industry

ELI will be the most sophisticated Optoelectronic Instrument ever built: High Energy(kJ), High Repetition Rate (Hz), Short Pulse(5-10fs), Phase front stabilized, and CPE stabilized.

Relativistic Engineering, with two new engineering disciplines:  
a) Micro-electronic (lepton, hadron) Relativistic  
b) Micro-photonics Relativistic

# Impact to society and new technologies for Industry

Science des matériaux: PALS, PIXE, Muon spectroscopy

Environment: Nuclear waste treatment

Medicine: Hadron therapy (proton hadron, muon)

Nuclear pharmacology

# Impact to society Education:

**“ELI will offer an exceptional Education and  
Training Offering”**

This laser-based facility dealing with :

- 1) the most sophisticated optoelectronic Grand Instrument (short pulse, ultra relativistic intensity, high average power average power, wavefront correction).
- 2) the exploration of a new physics regime and new engineering fields.

This program will conspire to provide an exceptional education and training offering

# Strategic Importance to ERA

Europe is a leader in Attosecond physics, EUV, X-ray generation, particle acceleration, the whole gamut. ELI will maintain its excellence and creativity in this field.

ELI is necessary to maintain the European scientific and technological Agenda at the highest level.

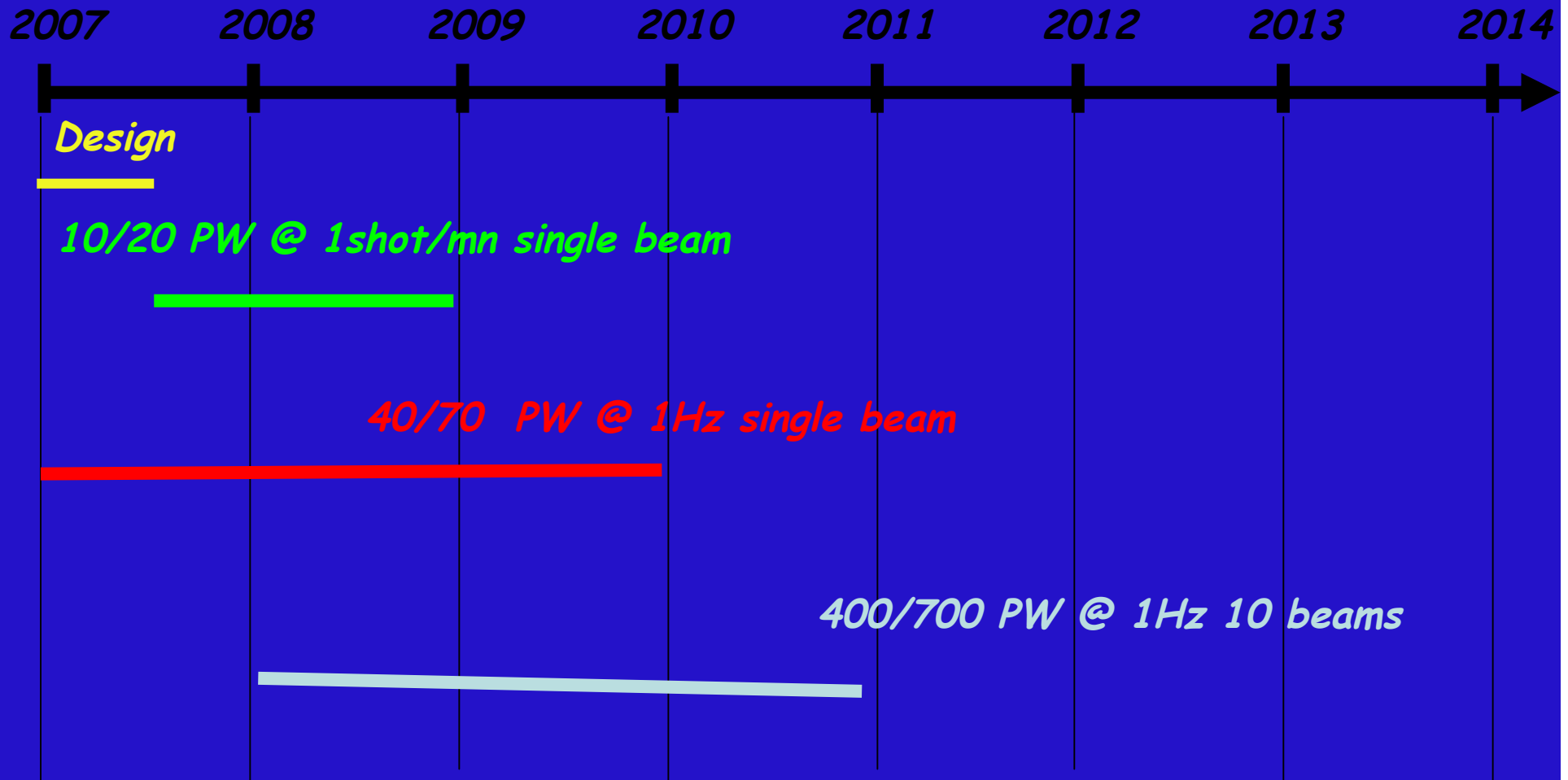
# Contribution from European Countries

ELI will aspire to attract the European talents to build this Ultrahigh Relativistics Scientific and Engineering facility.

Participating countries in the ELI's construction:

Germany	Front End
Greece	Diagnostics
France	Back End
Lithuania	OPCPA

# Time line



# Estimated Budget

First step: Front end + 10/20 PW booster amplifier @ 1 shot/mn

- Amplifying crystals + tools	1M€
- Gratings	1M€
- Pump lasers	10M€
- Front end	10M€
- Miscillaneous	3M€

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**25M€**

Second step Upgrade Single beam 40/70 PW @ 1 Hz

- Studies + Pump lasers + Phase locking Gratings **+ 30M€**

Third step 10 beams upgrade to 400/700 PW

- Pump lasers + coherent beam combining **+ 50 M€ ?**