

Experimental Path to Echo-75 at NLCTA

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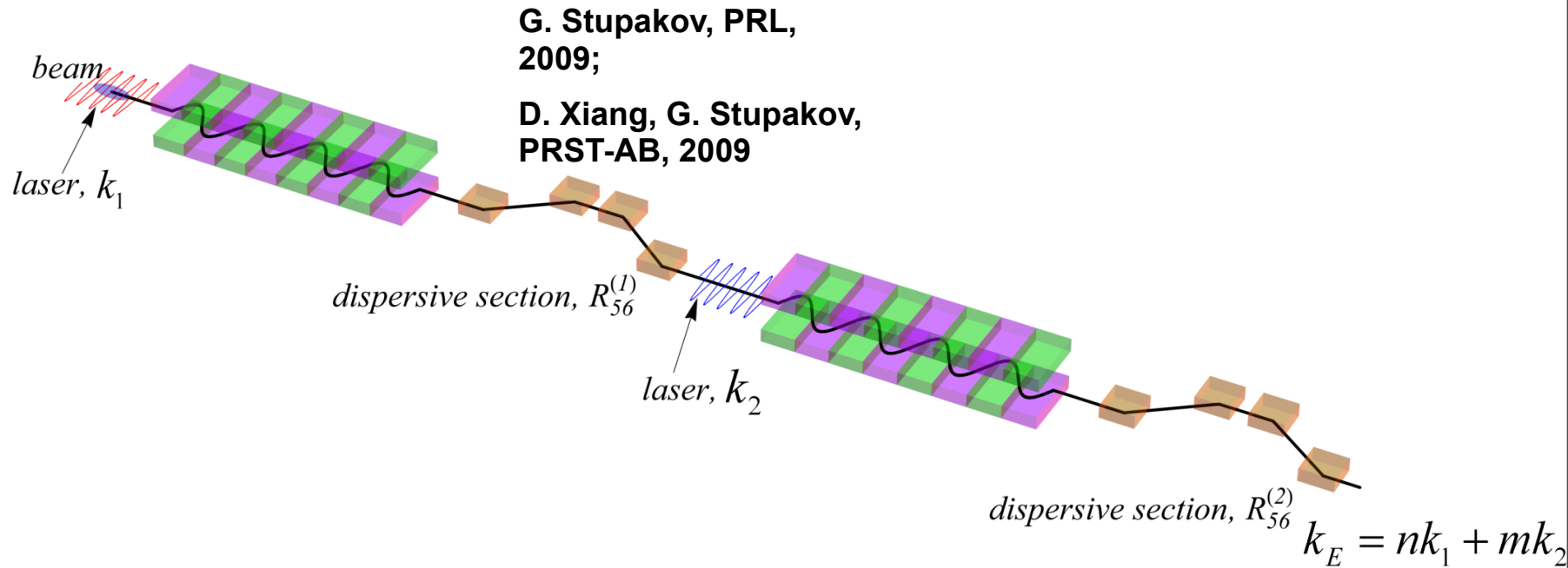
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Motivation

- Ultimate goal: Seeding to generate transform limited x-ray pulses
- Several seeding approaches:
 - High Harmonic Generation (HHG)
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 - Various Self-seeding techniques (HXRSS and SXRSS)
 - Echo-Enabled Harmonic Generation (EEHG)
- Echo is a new approach where laser challenges are traded for beam manipulation challenges
 - Has advantage in that bunching is weak function of harmonic number and only small relative energy modulations required
- Echo (EEHG) demonstration to benchmark critical accelerator and laser physics issues
- Find optimal combination of high-harmonics and short wavelength seeds

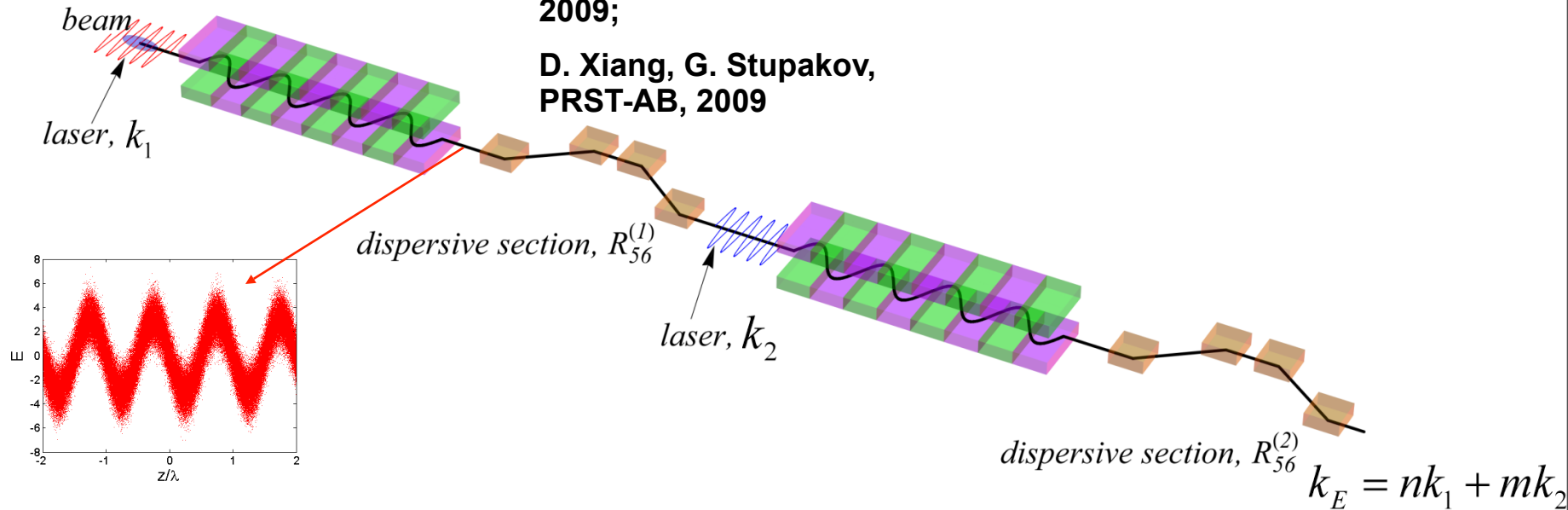
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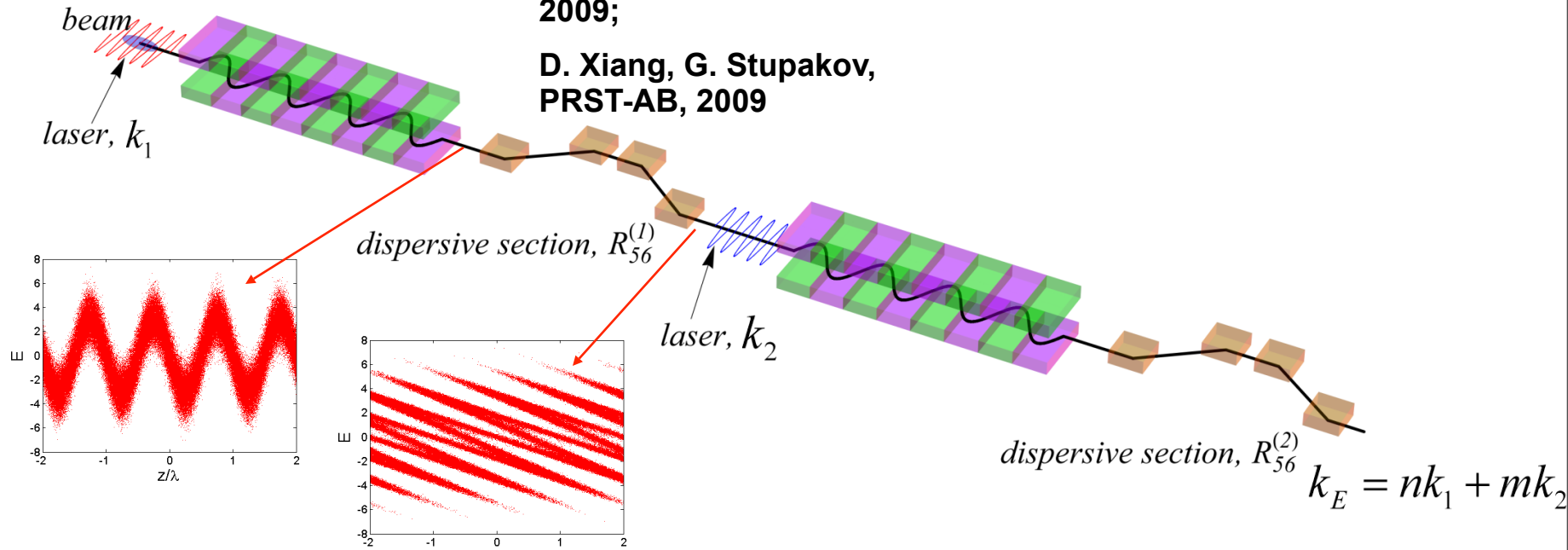


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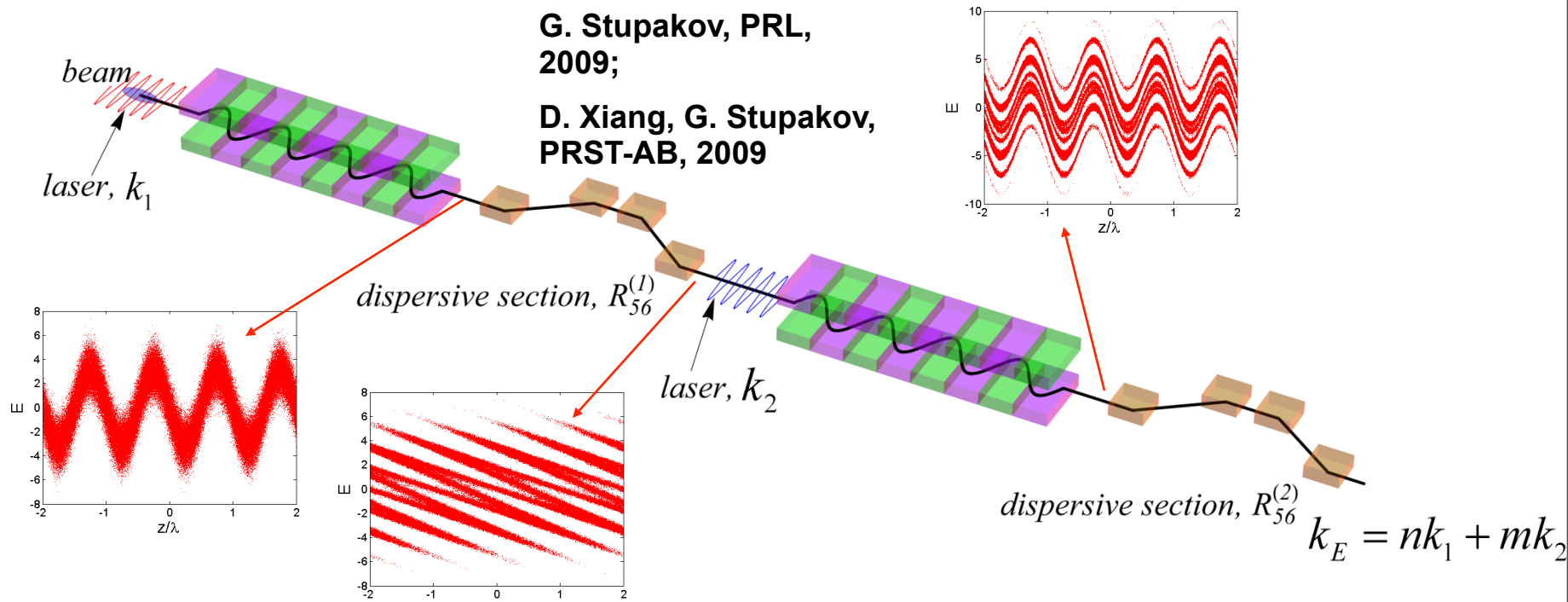
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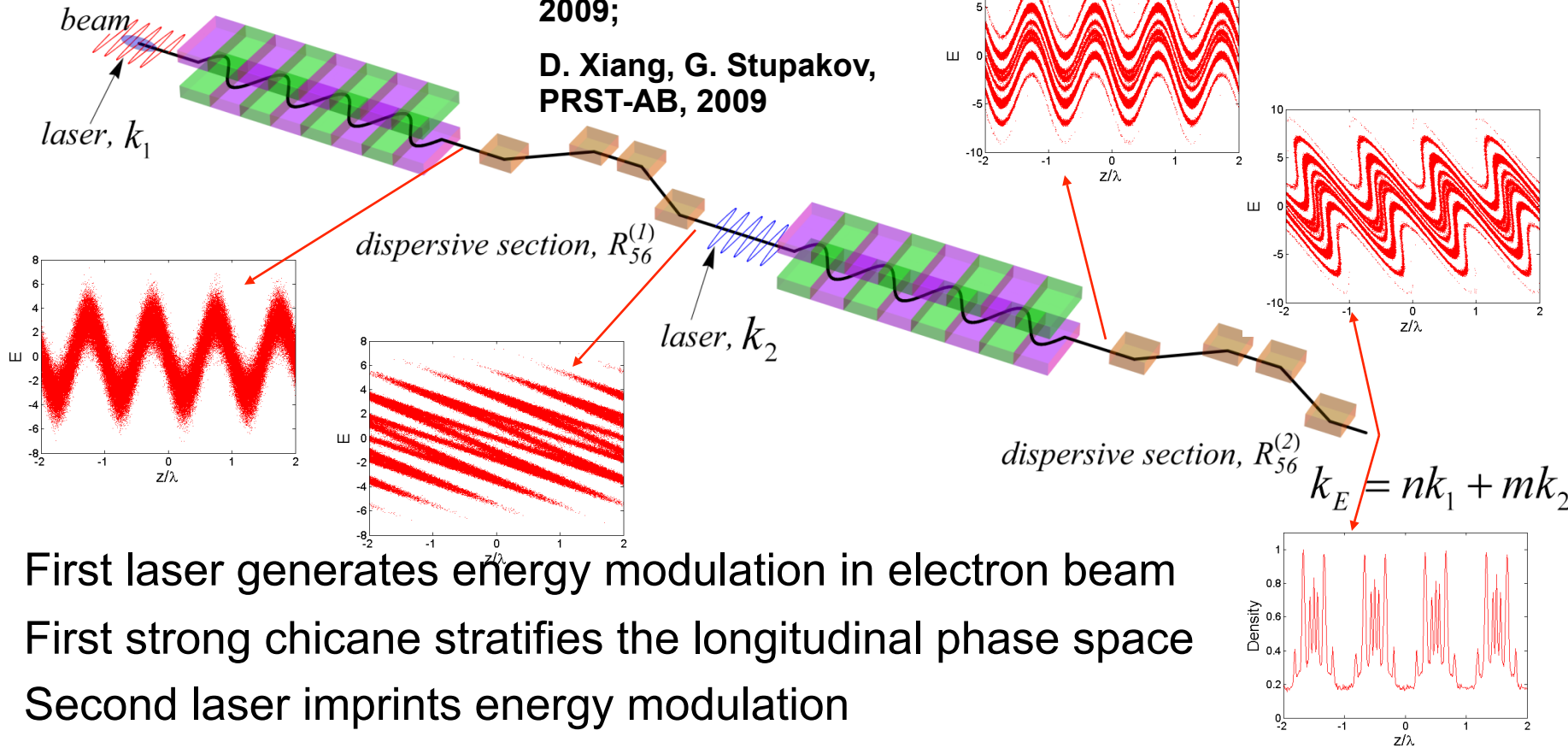


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EEHG FEL: Advantages and Challenges

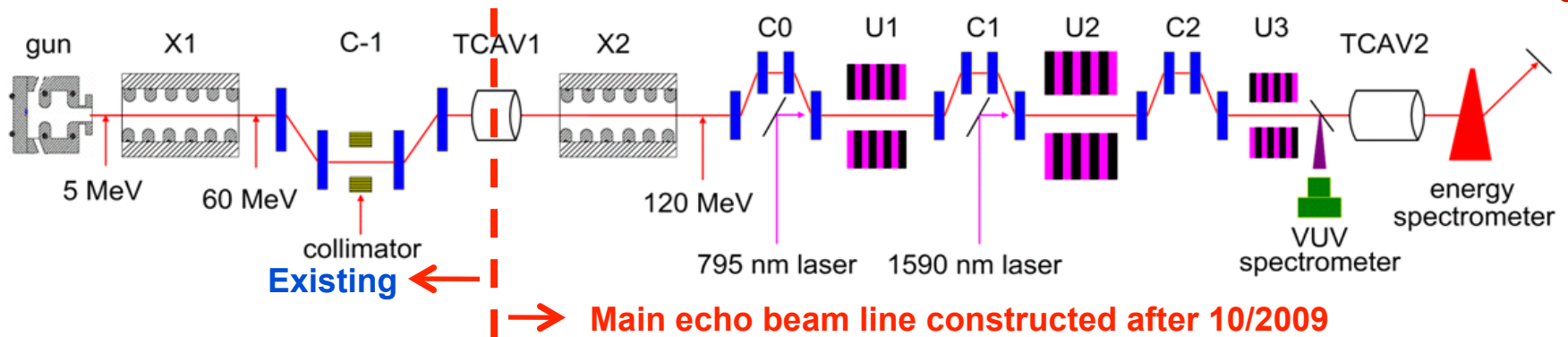
□ Advantages

- Excellent frequency up-conversion efficiency $b_h \propto h^{-1/3}$
- High harmonics from small energy modulation
- UV laser up-converted to soft x-rays in a single stage
- Tunable through dispersion

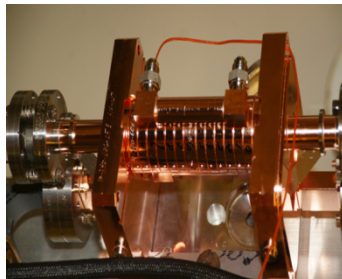
□ Challenges

- Preservation of fine-grained phase-space correlations
- Sensitive to SR and SC instabilities in transport,
- higher-order transport coupling effects, and
- laser quality and stability (x-verse mode purity, $\sim\pi/h$ phase control (A. Fry))

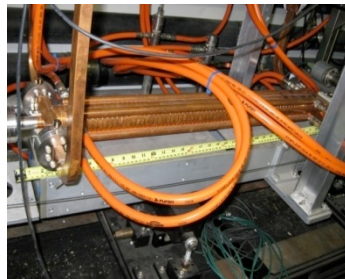
Echo experiment at NLCTA



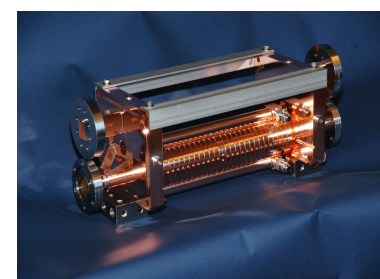
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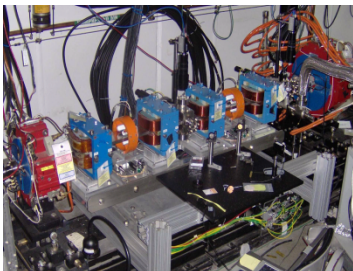
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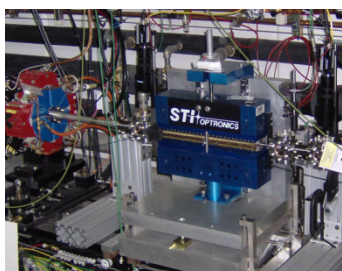
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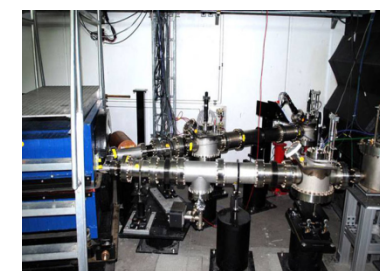
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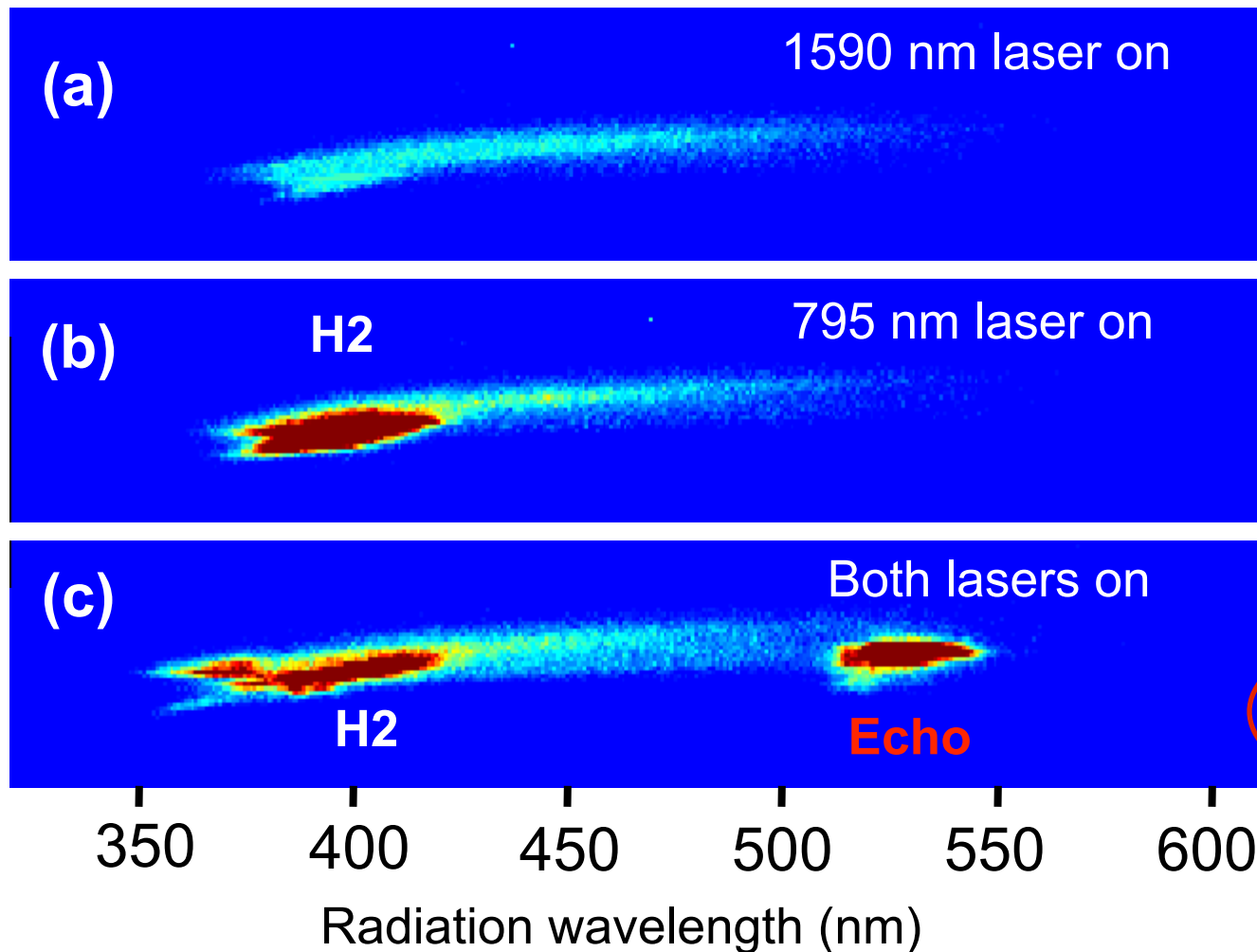
U2



spectrometer

First ECHO signal (2010)

D. Xiang *et al.*, PRL, 2010; Featured in Nature Photonics “News & Views”



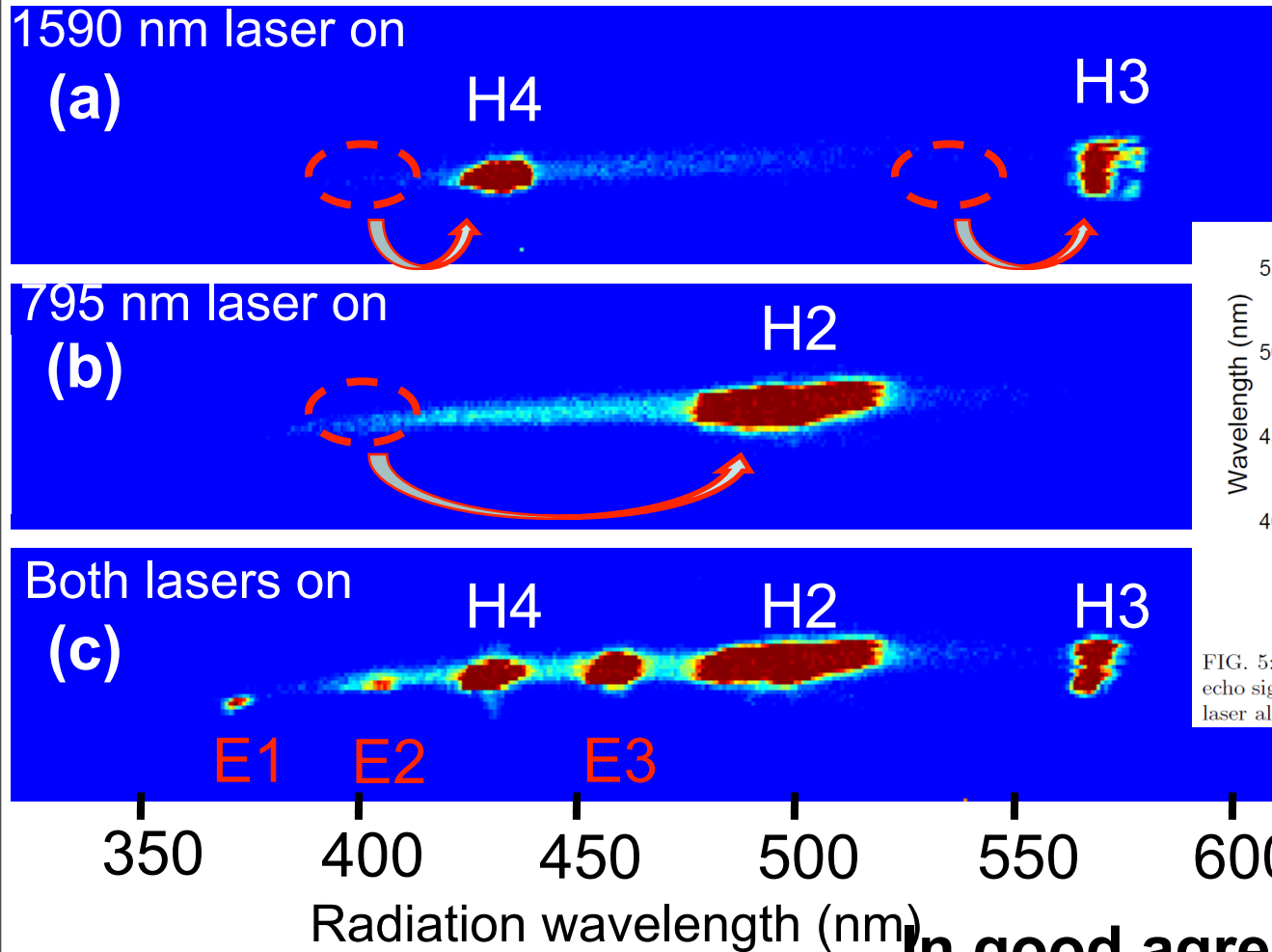
$$k_E = nk_1 + mk_2$$

$$n = -1$$

$$m = 5$$

$$k_E = 3k_2$$

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Observation of multiple harmonics due to EEHG
Confirmed by varying beam chirp

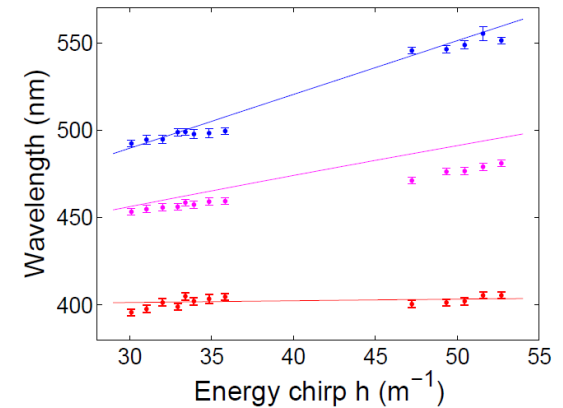
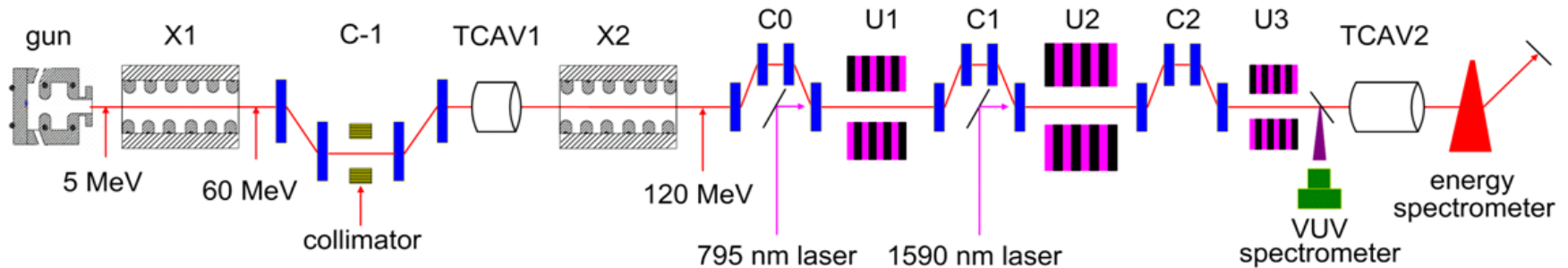


FIG. 5: Radiation wavelength vs beam energy chirp for the echo signal E2 (red), E3 (magenta) and that from the 795 nm laser alone H2 (blue).

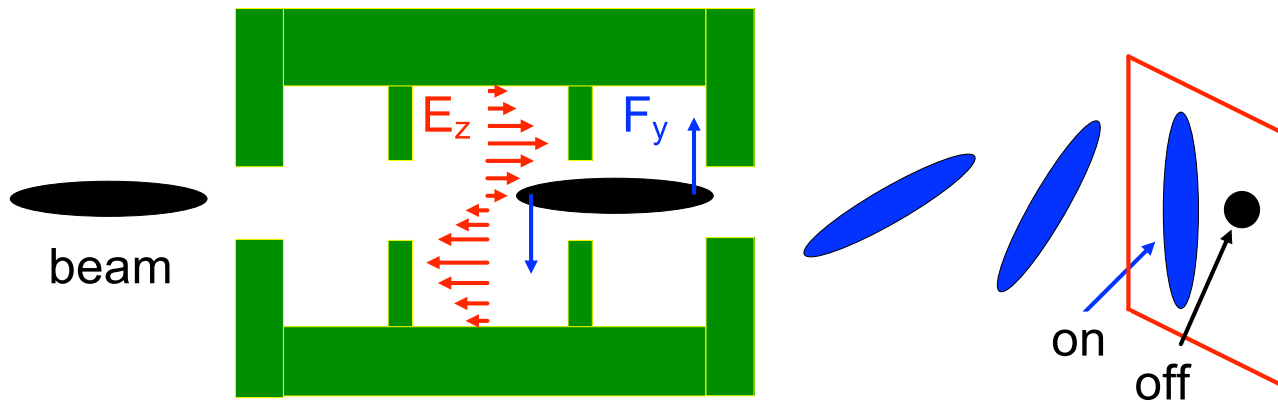
In good agreement with theory

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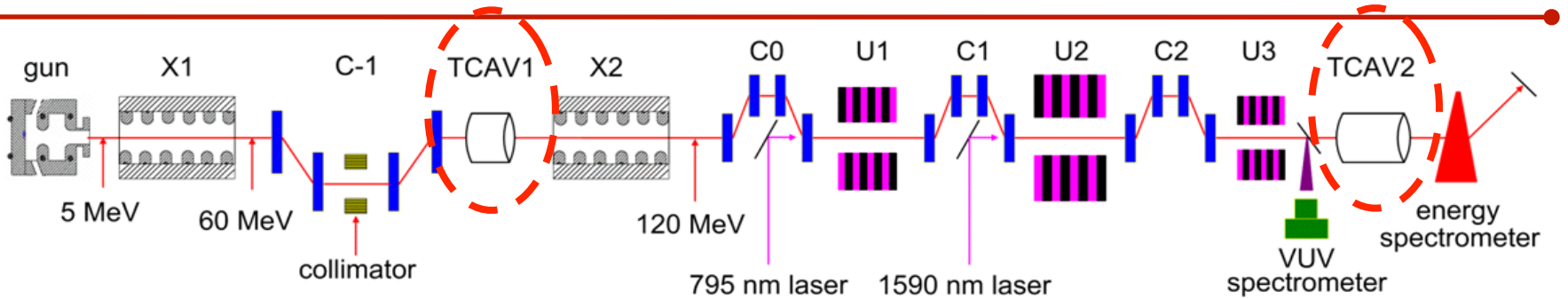
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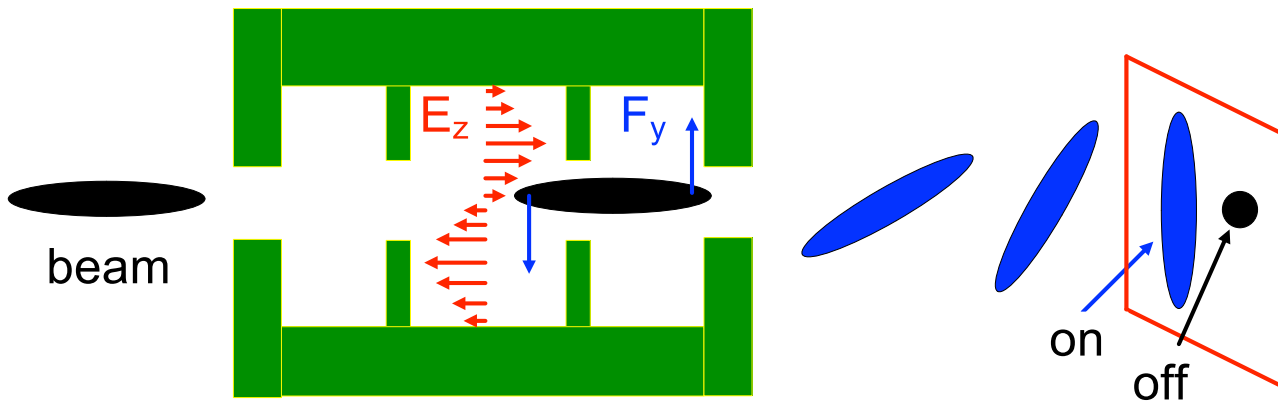
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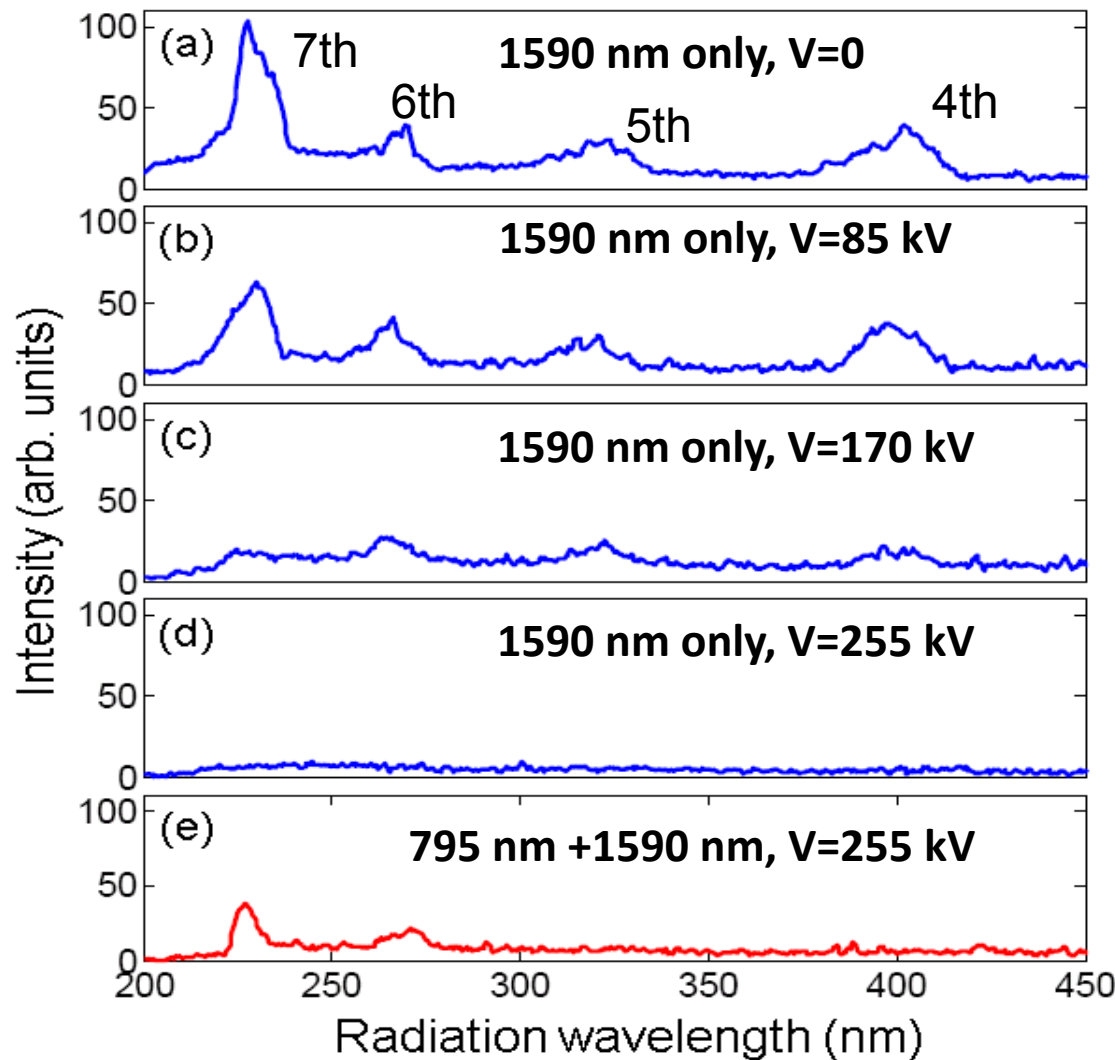
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ECHO-7 (2011)

$$k_E = -2k_1 + 11k_2 = 7k_2$$



❖ 4th to 7th harmonics from **HGHG** suppressed with increased beam slice energy spread from TCAV

❖ 7th harmonic reappears with the first laser on, like an echo

❖ 7th harmonic generated when energy modulation is about 2~3 times the beam slice energy spread

ECHO Publications thus far

(11 Journal articles; 9 conference Proceedings)

Journal Articles:

- Evidence of High Harmonics from Echo-Enabled Harmonic Generation for Seeding X-ray Free Electron Lasers, **PRL 108, 024802 (2012)**.
- A novel diagnostic for measuring the laser modulation of the longitudinal phase space, *Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams* 14, 112801 (2011).
- Triple modulator-chicane scheme for seeding sub-nanometer x-Ray free electron lasers. **Submitted to: New Journal of Physics (2011)**.
- Laser assisted emittance transfer for storage ring lasing. **Submitted to: Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams (2011)**.
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- Demonstration of the Echo-Enabled Harmonic Generation Technique for Short-Wavelength Seeded Free Electron Lasers. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 105 (2010) 114801.
- Longitudinal-to-transverse mapping for femtosecond electron bunch length measurement. *Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams* 13 (2010) 094001.
- Laser Assisted Emittance Exchange: Downsizing the X-ray Free Electron Laser. *Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams* 13 (2010) 010701.
- Generation of intense attosecond x-ray pulses using ultraviolet laser induced microbunching in electron beams. *Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams* 12 (2009) 060701.
- Enhanced tunable narrow-band THz emission from laser-modulated electron beams. *Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams* 12 (2009) 080701.
- Echo-enabled Harmonic Generation Free Electron Laser. *Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams* 12 (2009) 030702.

Conference Proceedings:

- Observation and Characterization of Coherent Optical Radiation and Microbunching Instability in the SLAC Next Linear Collider Test Accelerator. PAC'11, SLAC-PUB-14451. (2011).
- Commissioning the Echo-Seeding Experiment Echo-7 at SLAC. FEL'10, SLAC-PUB-14450. (2011).
- Laser assisted emittance exchange. AIP Conf. Proc. 1299, 620-625 (2010).
- Echo-Enabled Harmonic Generation. IPAC'10, SLAC-PUB-14438 (2010).
- A Proof-of-principle Echo-enabled Harmonic Generation FEL Experiment at SLAC. IPAC'10, SLAC-PUB-14448, (2010).
- Preliminary results of the echo-seeding experiment ECHO-7 at SLAC. IPAC'10, SLAC-PUB-14450, (2010).
- Effects of energy chirp on echo-enabled harmonic generation free-electron lasers. SLAC-PUB-13547. (2009).
- Tolerance Study for the Echo-Enabled Harmonic Generation Free Electron Laser. SLAC-PUB-13644. (2009).
- Feasibility study for a seeded hard x-ray source based on a two-stage echo-enabled harmonic generation FEL. SLAC-PUB-13818. (2009).

Pushing towards higher harmonics

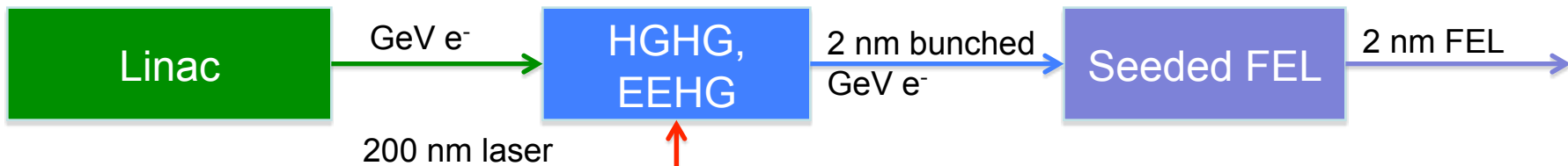
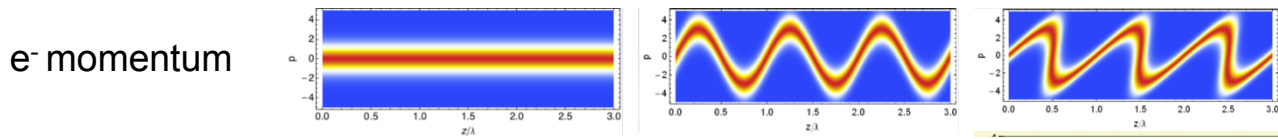
- Goal: Seeding to generate transform limited x-ray pulses

In going from UV to hard x-rays, beam manipulation and laser challenges suggest a dual path: EEHG+HHG

For EEHG:

- 1) must be able to generate high-harmonics
- 2) and must be able to reliably reach x-ray wavelengths of interest

Parallel R&D on laser driven multiplicative seeding (example: $N=100$, 200nm laser 2nm x-rays)



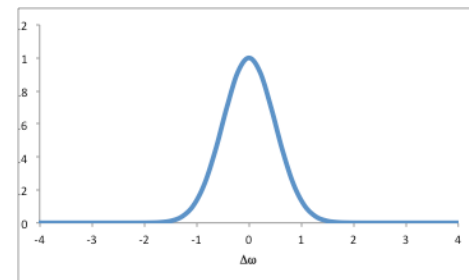
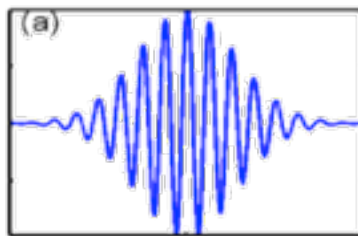
Seeding laser system

Oscillator

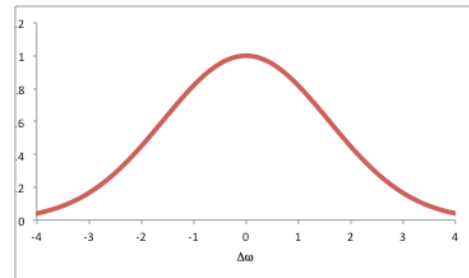
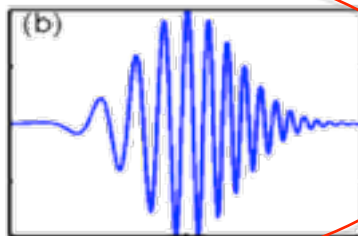
Amplifier

Harmonics

Transform Limited Pulse



“Chirped” Pulse



Need to **measure and control** laser spectral phase to better than $\sim \pi/N$

Path to Echo-75

□ Phase-1: Echo-11 at 217 nm

- New OPA to provide seed laser at 2.385 μm
- Tune U2 (increase K from 2.09 to 2.76)
- Parameterize EEHG versus slice emittance, slice energy spread

□ Phase-2: Echo-21 at 114 nm

- New X-band structure to increase beam energy to 165 MeV
- New VUV spectrometer

□ Phase-3: Echo-32 at 75 nm

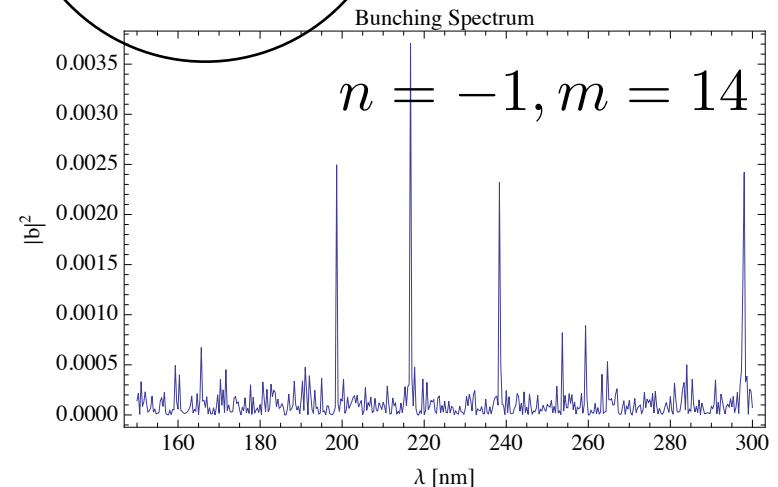
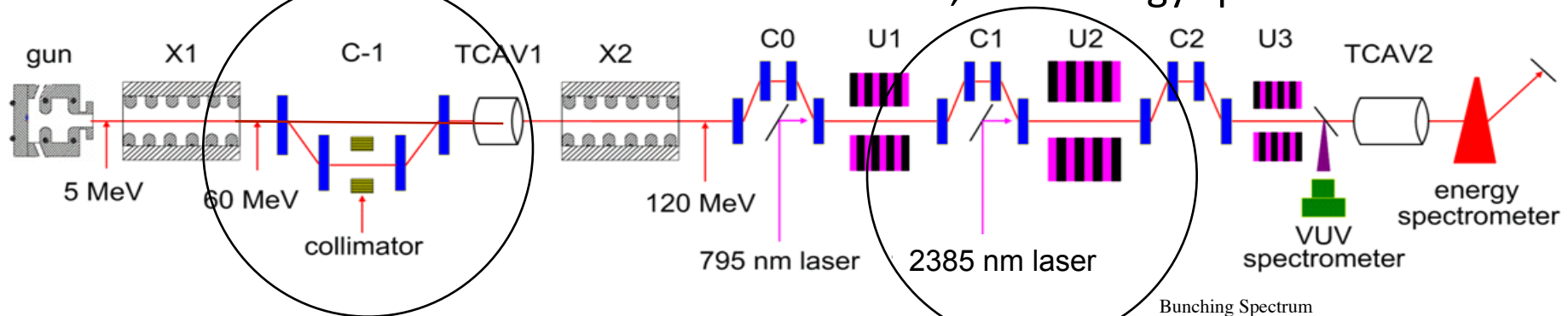
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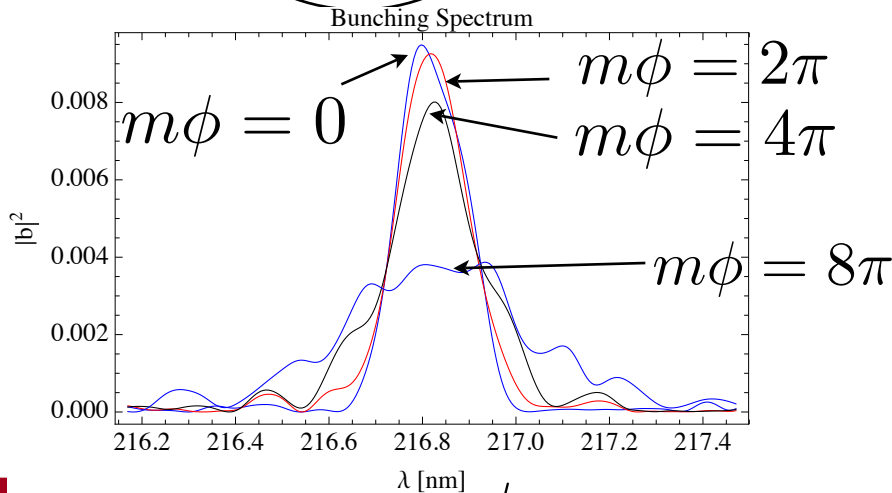
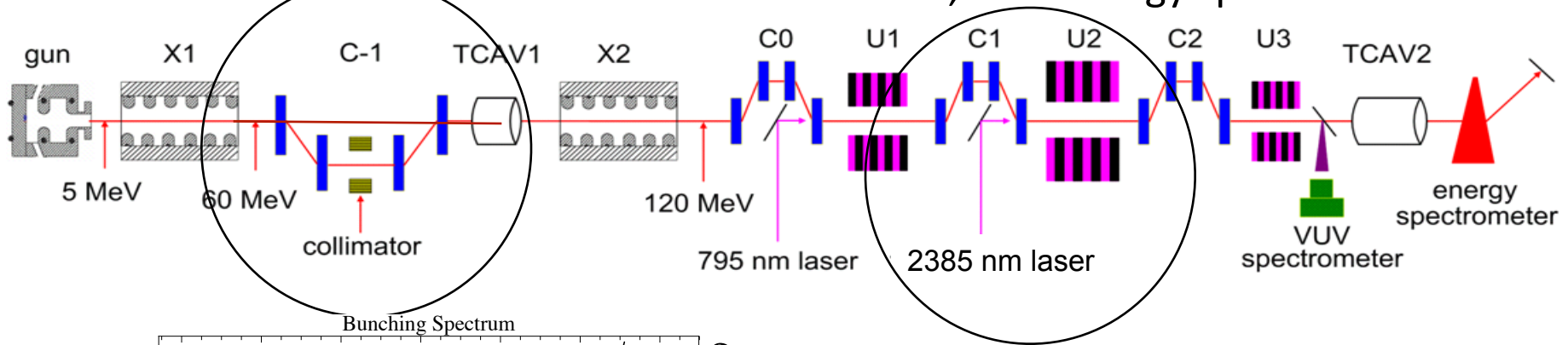
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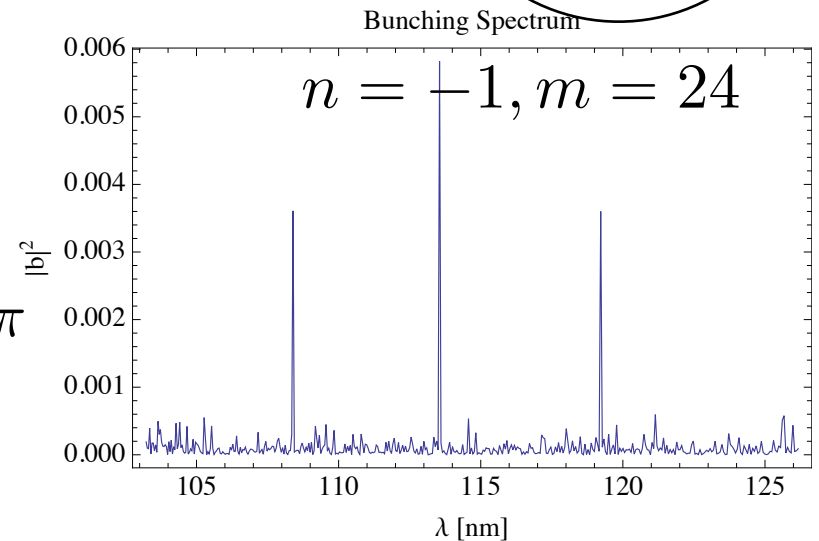
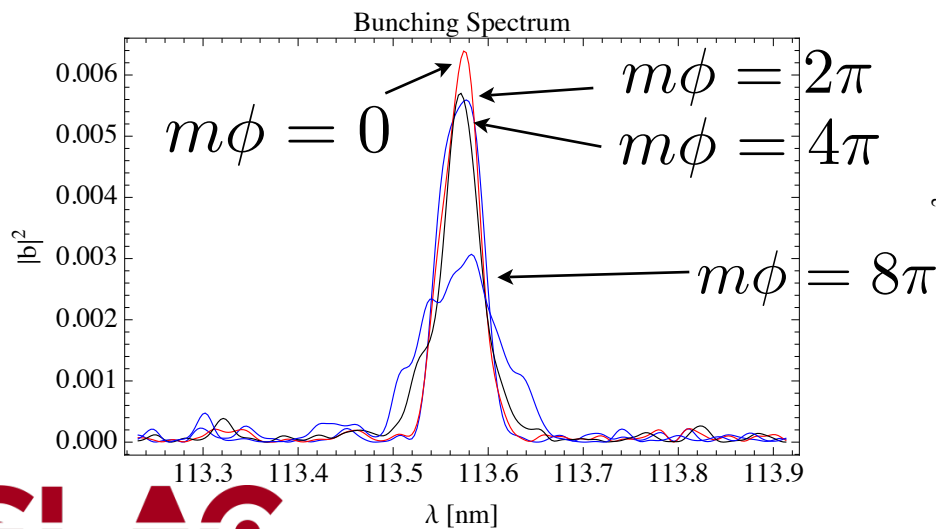
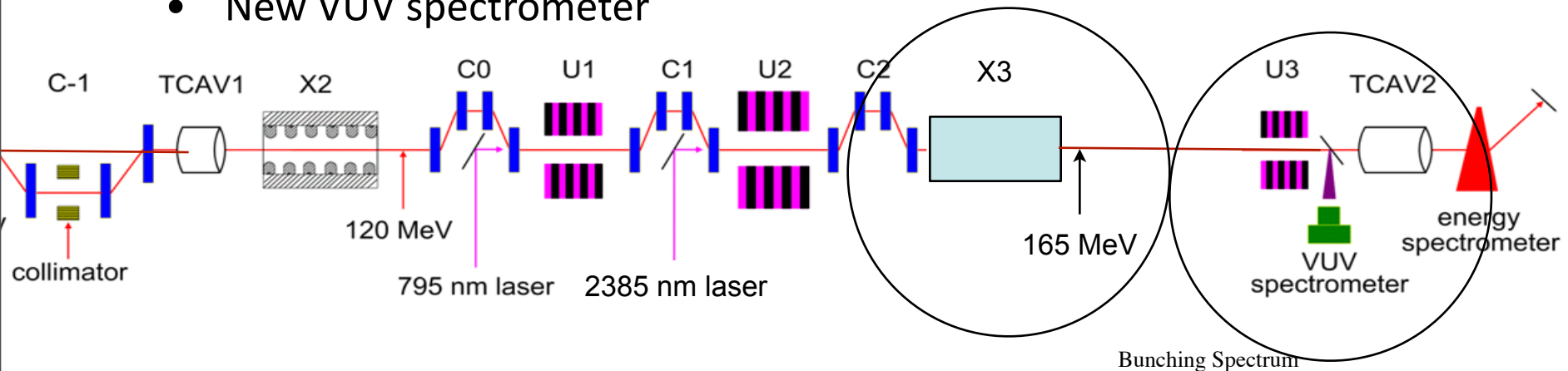


$$n = -1, m = 14$$

Laser phase error issues are relaxed for e-beam \leq laser pulse length

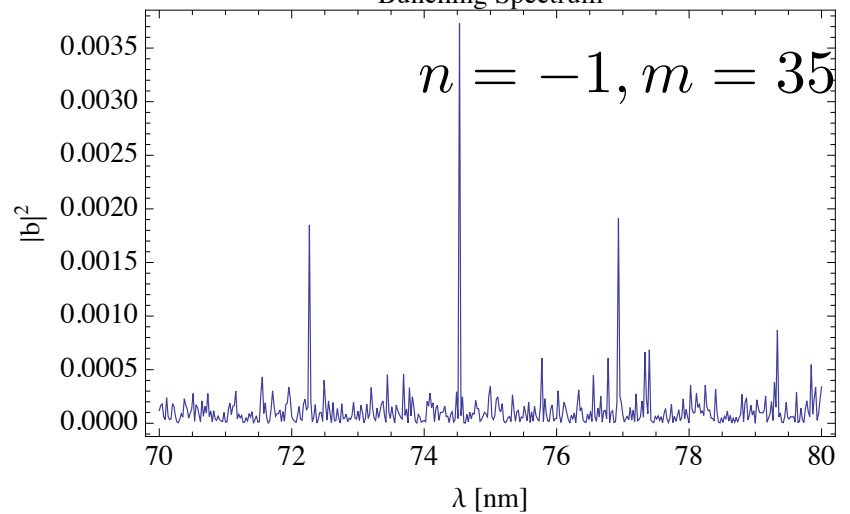
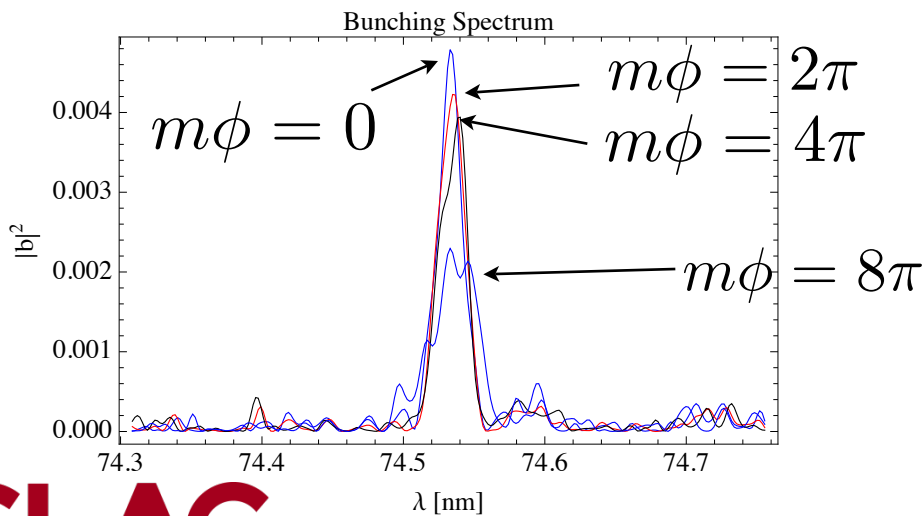
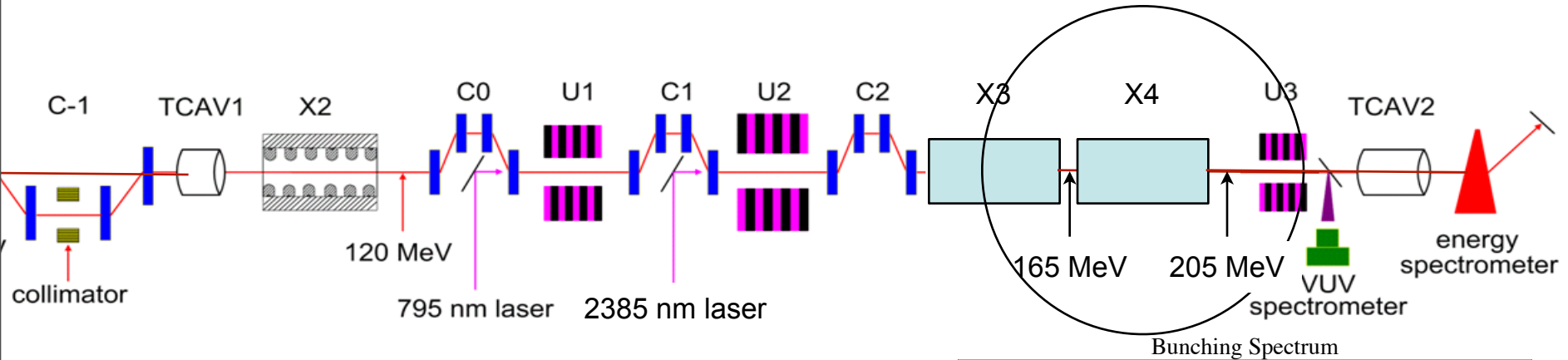
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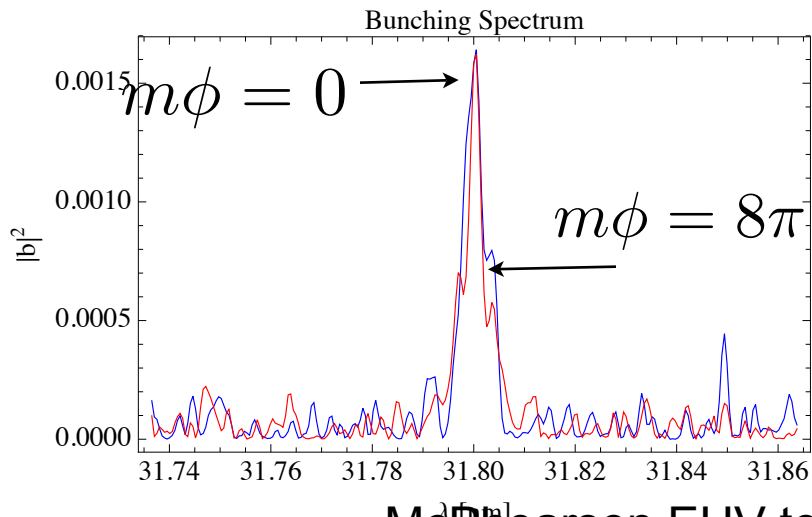
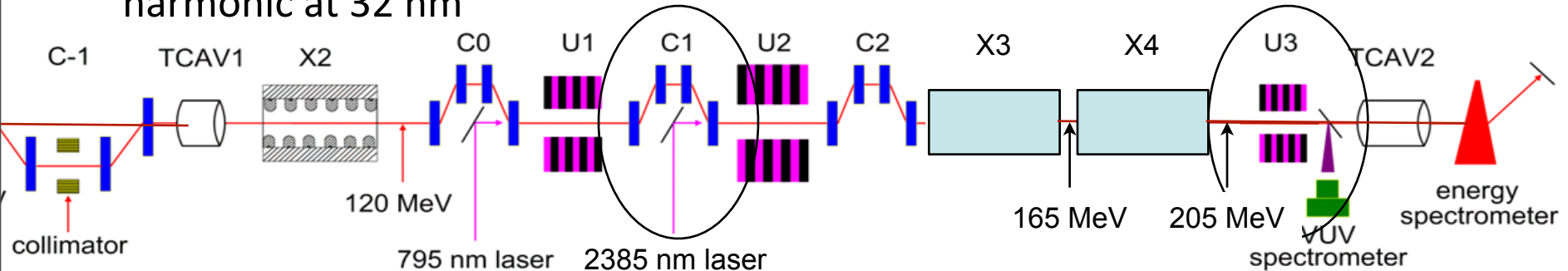
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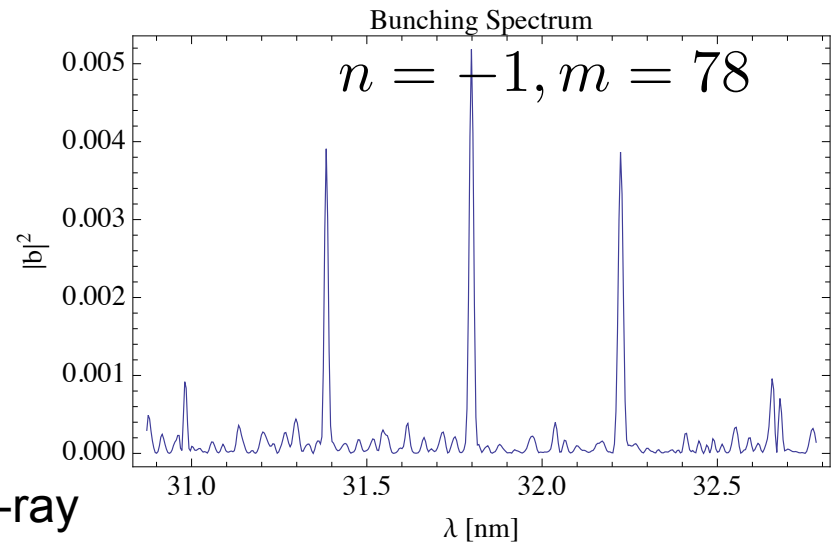


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MCP Pearson EUV to soft x-ray spectrometer with <0.1 nm resolution, iCCD, MCP



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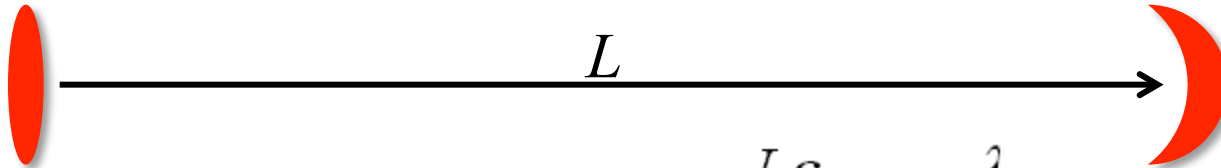
Summary

- ❖ **EEHG is a promising scheme to generate fully coherent soft x-rays directly from UV lasers in a single stage**
- ❖ **EEHG's enhanced frequency up-conversion efficiency at the 7th harmonic has been demonstrated at SLAC's NLCTA**
- ❖ **Existing echo beamline, RF, and laser systems, provide firmly-established launching point to examine higher-harmonics in EEHG through a series of staged facility upgrades and dedicated experiments**
- ❖ **Parallel R&D in HHG and laser spectral phase effects and tolerances**
- ❖ **Use necessary upgrades to also benchmark collective effects, phase space manipulation and transport limitations**

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Emittance effects

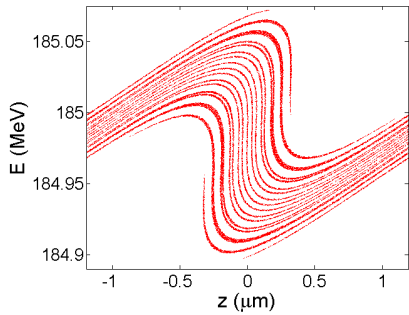
- Geometric aberration (path length betatron amplitude)



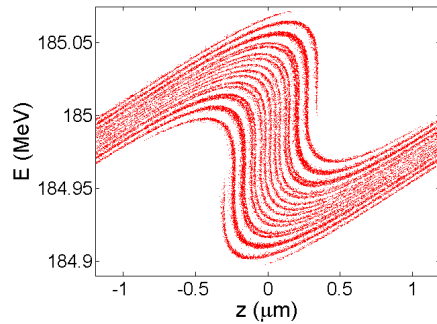
$$\Delta z \approx T_{522} \sigma_x'^2 + T_{544} \sigma_y'^2 \approx \frac{L \varepsilon_n}{\gamma \langle \beta \rangle} < \frac{\lambda_{echo}}{2\pi}$$

- 1 μm emittance works for Echo-75

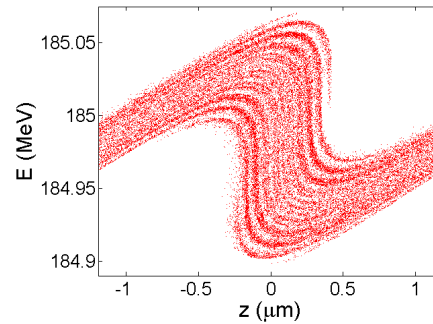
$$\Delta z \approx \frac{5[\text{m}] \times 1000[\text{nm}]}{360 \times 5[\text{m}]} \approx 2.8 \text{ nm} < \frac{31.8}{2\pi}$$



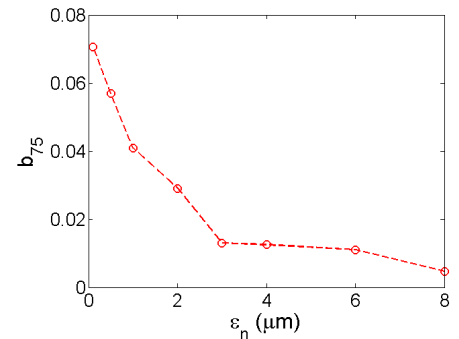
0.1 mm mrad



1.0 mm mrad



4.0 mm mrad



Bunching vs emittance