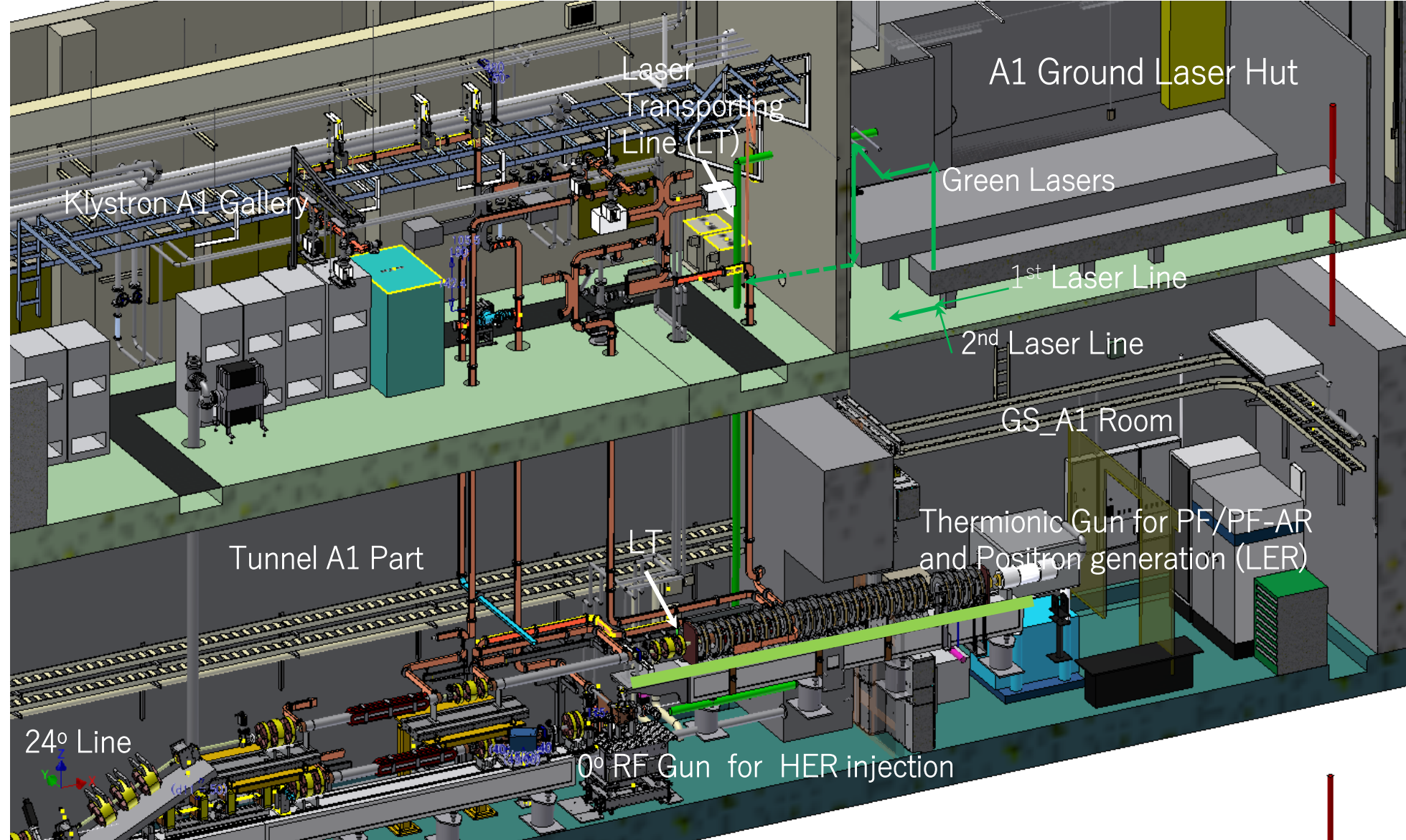


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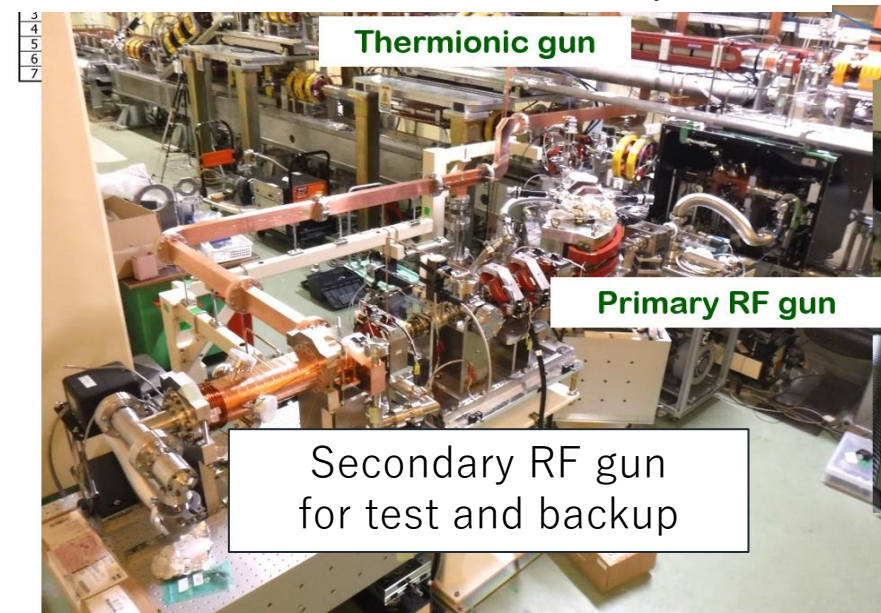
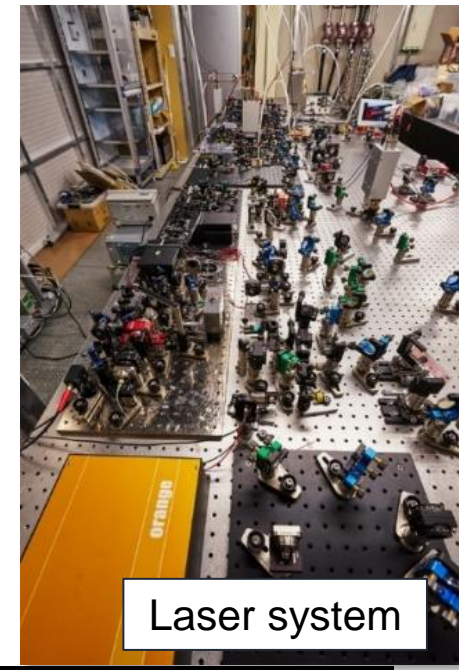
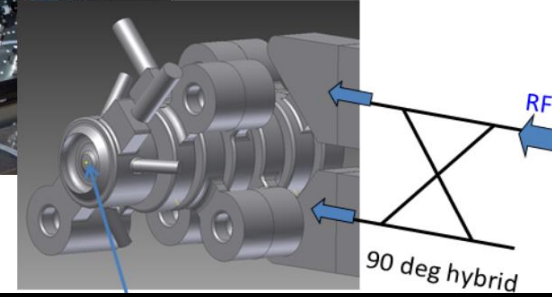
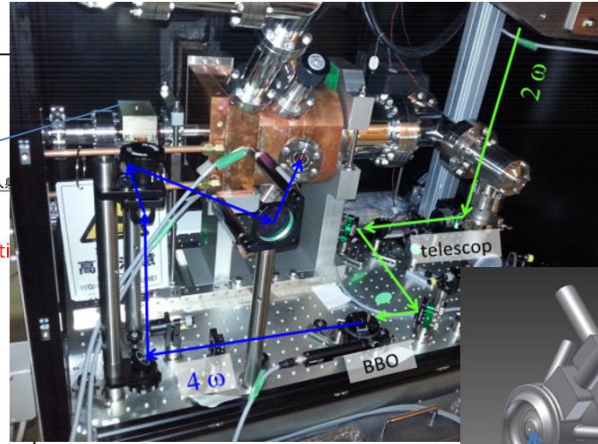
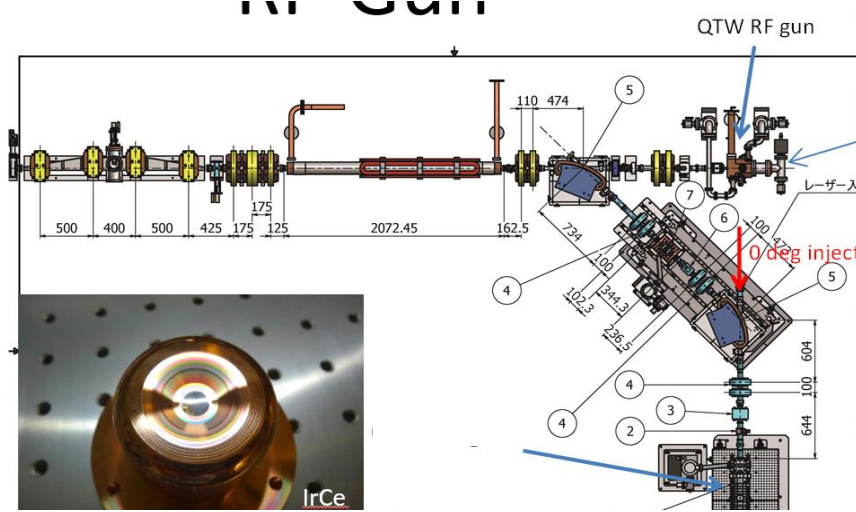
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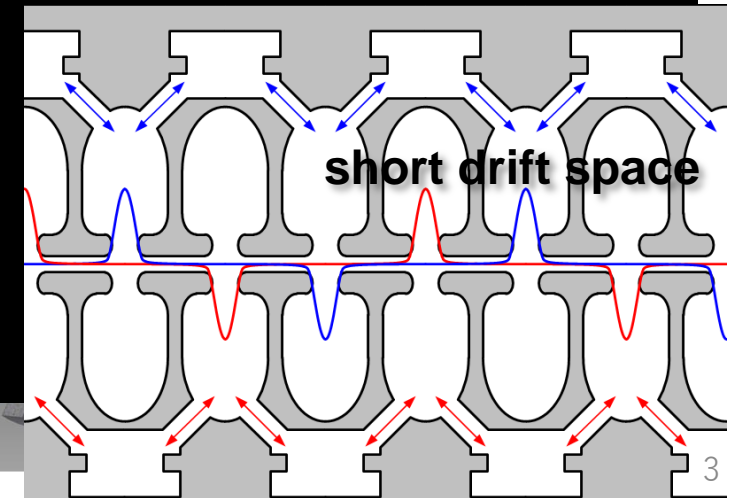
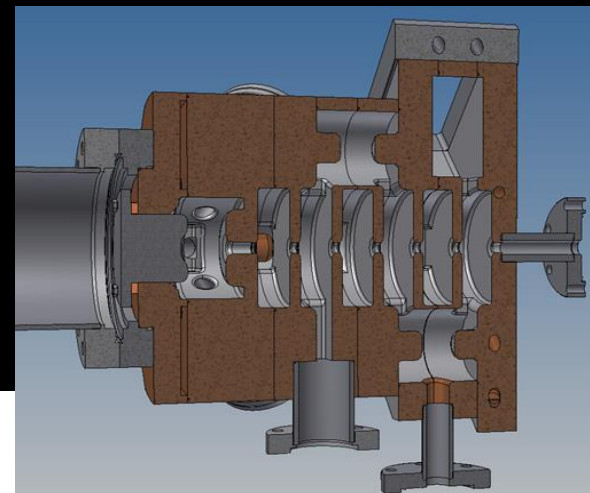
# LINAC Injector system



# Low emittance and high charge photocathode rf e- gun



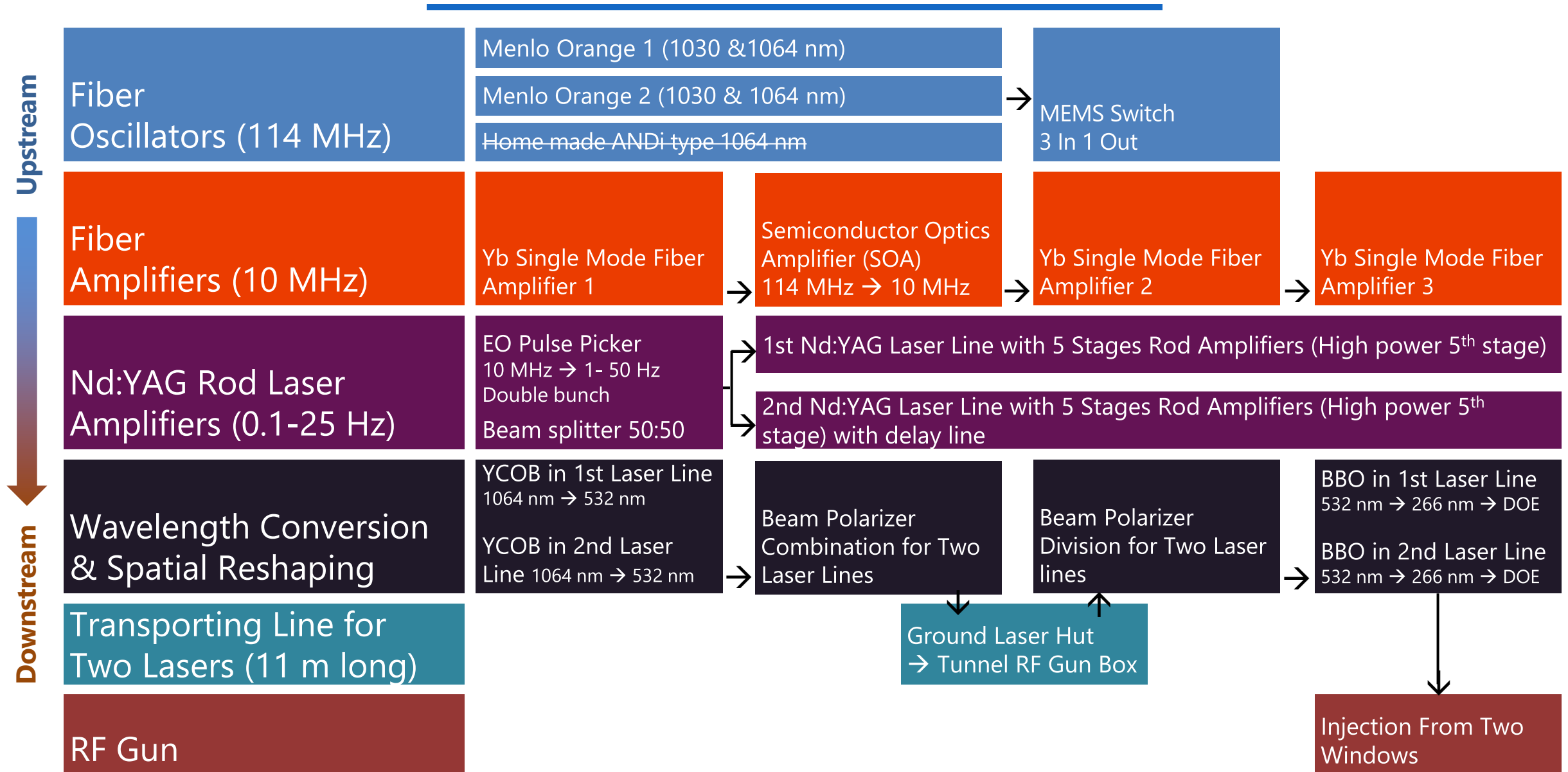
- Photocathode:  $\text{Ir}_7\text{Ce}_2$
- Cavity: QTWSC (Quasi Travelling Wave Side Couple)
  - Strong focusing electric field





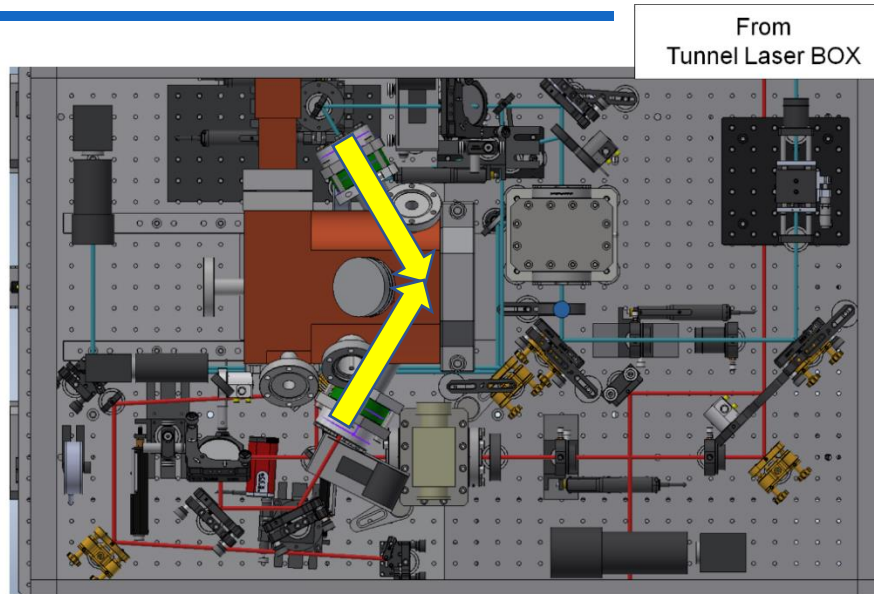
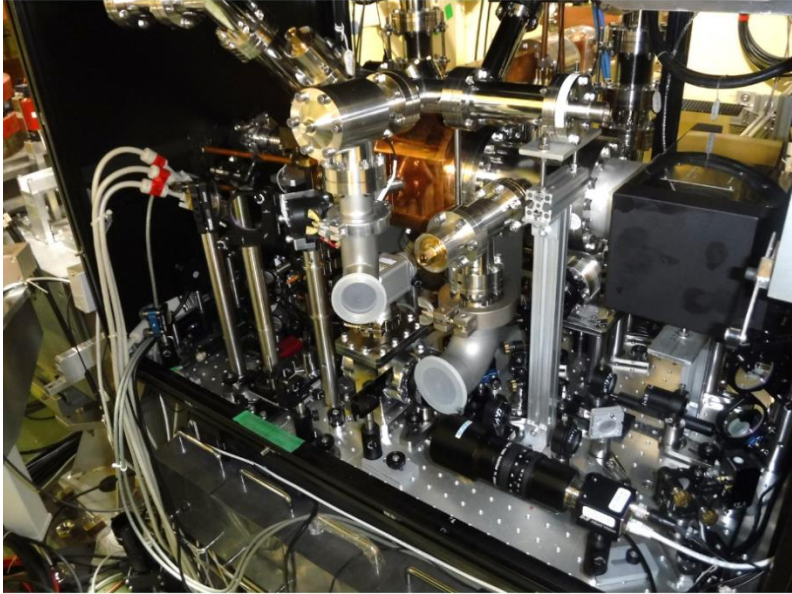
# Laser System for RF Gun

Yb-Fiber and Nd:YAG Hybrid Laser System



# Laser System for RF Gun area

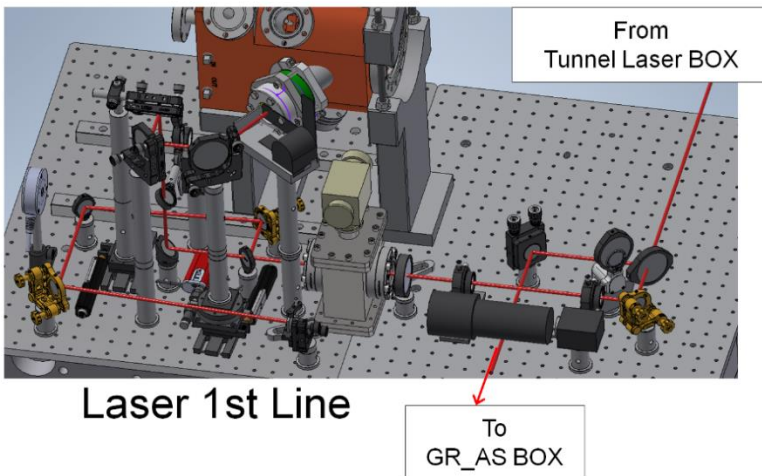
Two Laser Beams Injection for  $e^-$  Beam Generation



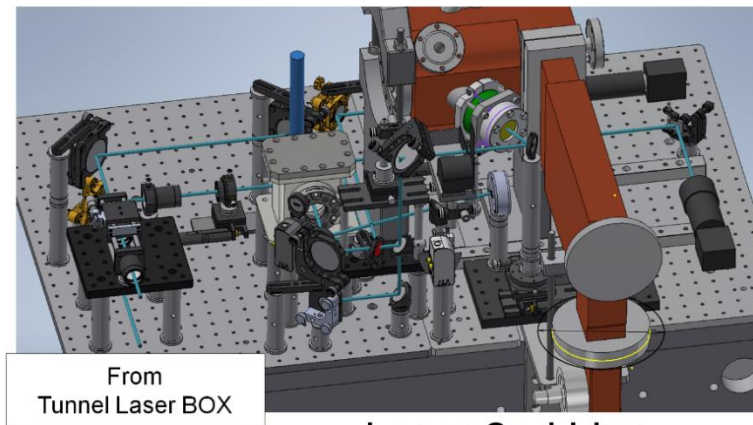
Inclined laser irradiation makes higher than twice QE (Schottky effect and surface plasmon)

Laser irradiation from both direction leads better emittance

Total view of RF-Gun laser



Laser 1st Line

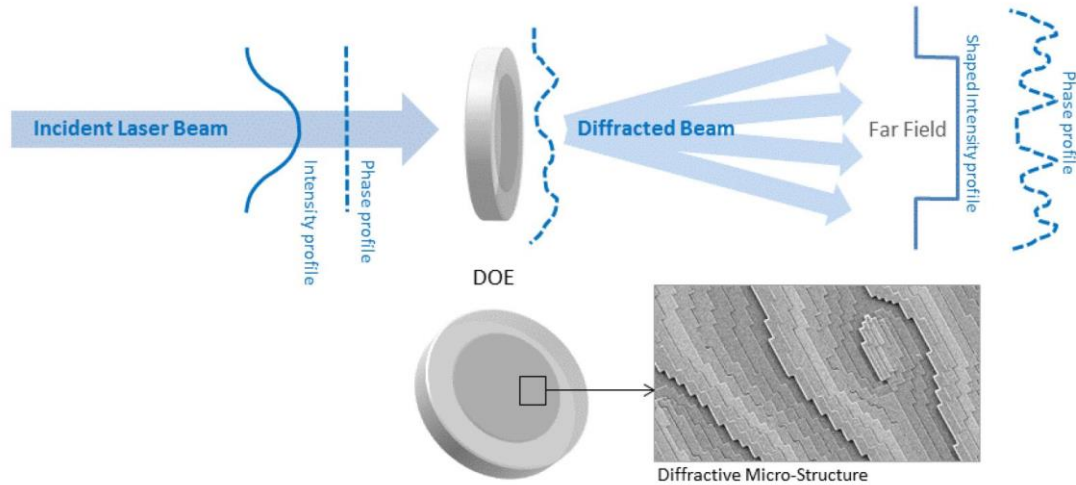


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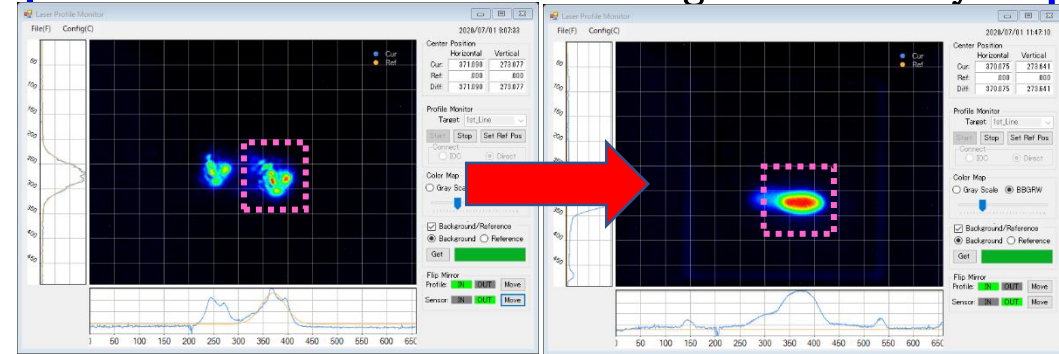
# DOE for reshaping of laser spatial distribution

## DOE Basics : principle

Example : Conversion Gaussian to Top-Hat profile



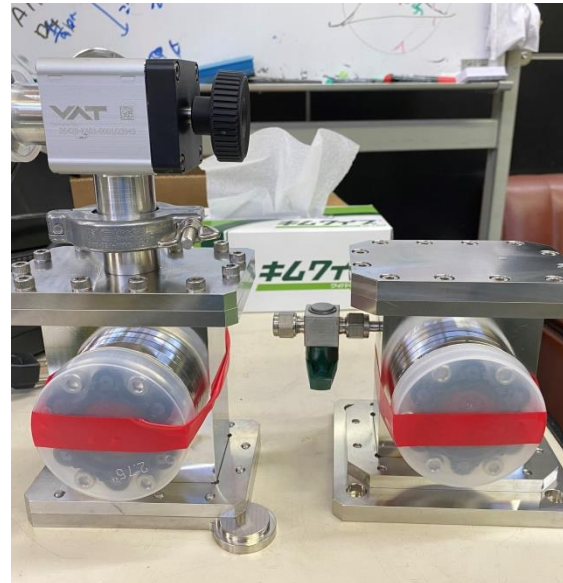
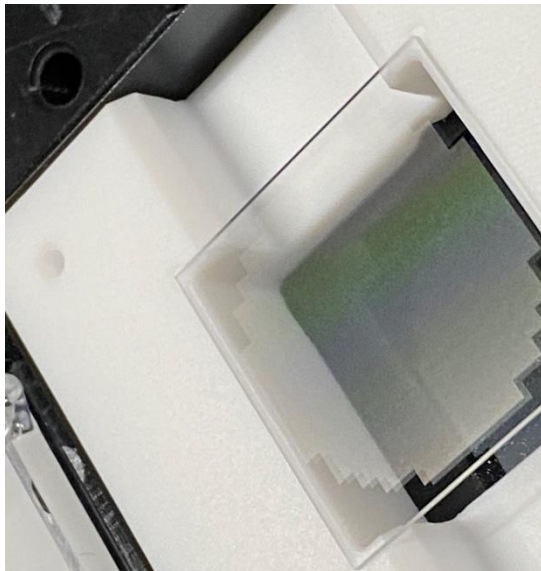
DOE (diffractive optical element) were installed at 1<sup>st</sup> /2<sup>nd</sup> (in summer '20/ '21) line laser: Laser beam homogenizer for low emittance beam with the high intensity



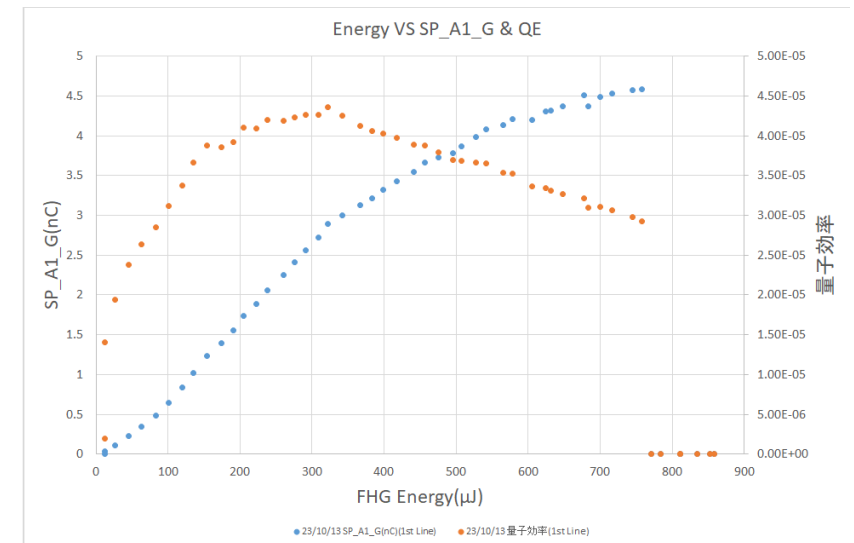
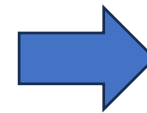
world first DOE application in UV laser

R. Zhang

New DOE for large area was installed at Jan, 2024.



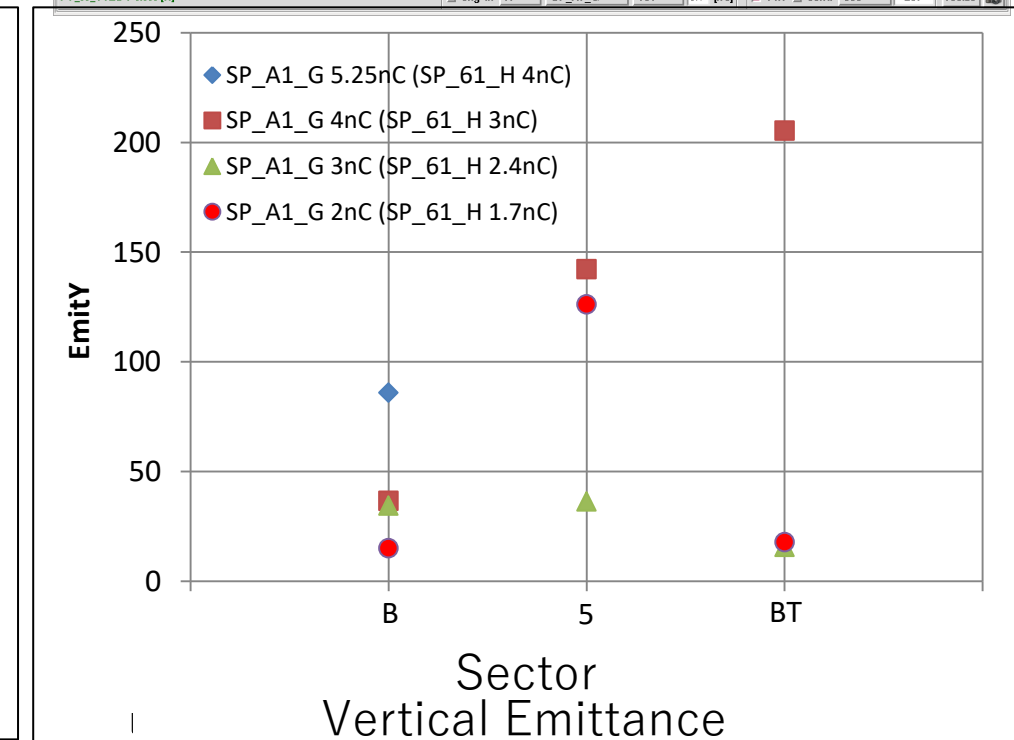
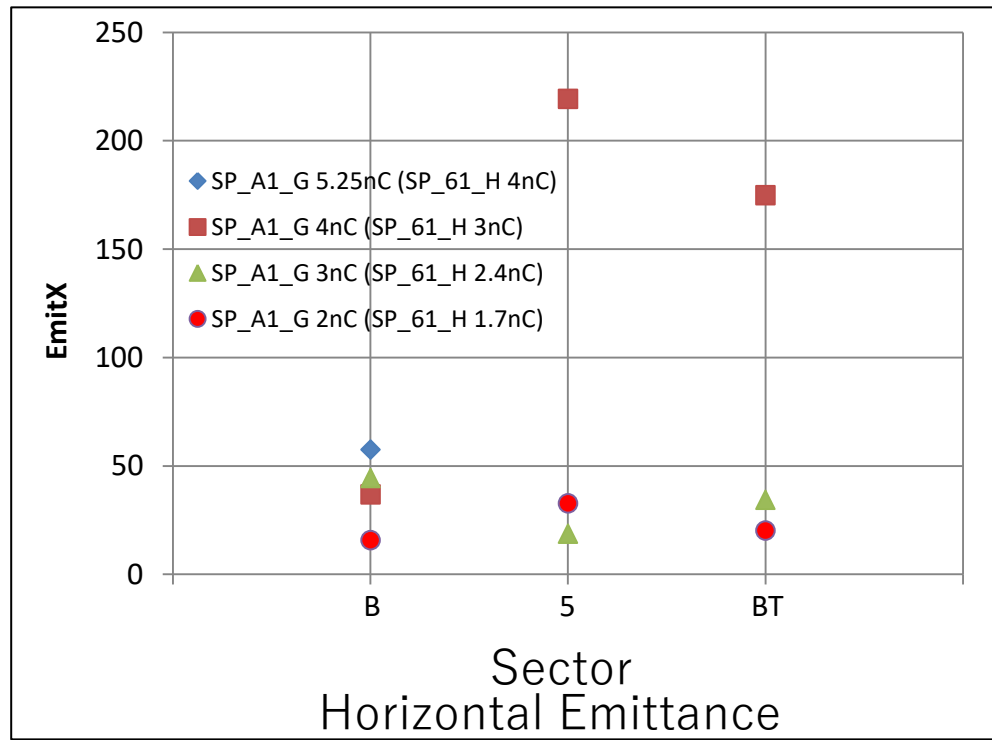
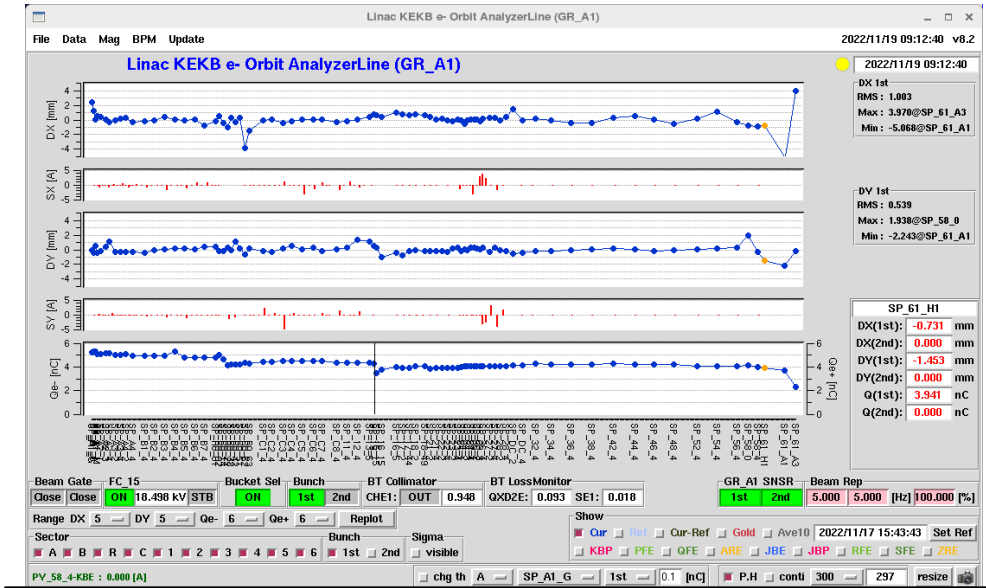
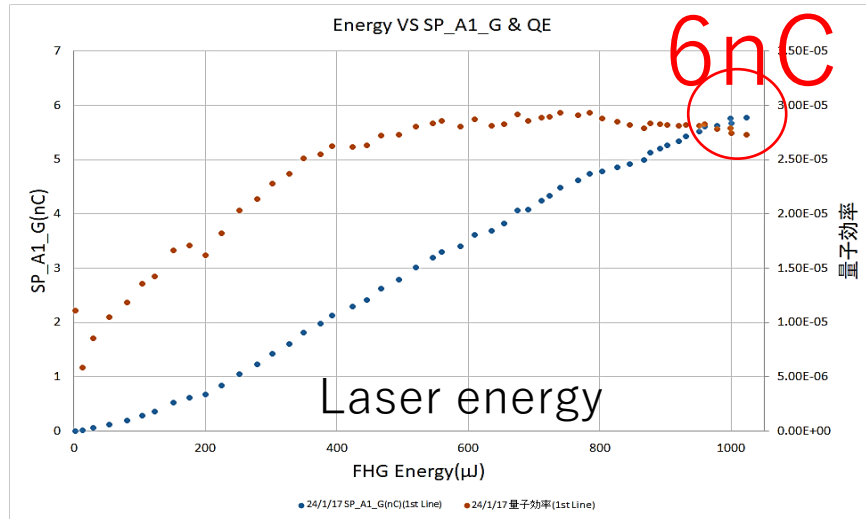
Bunch charge increased



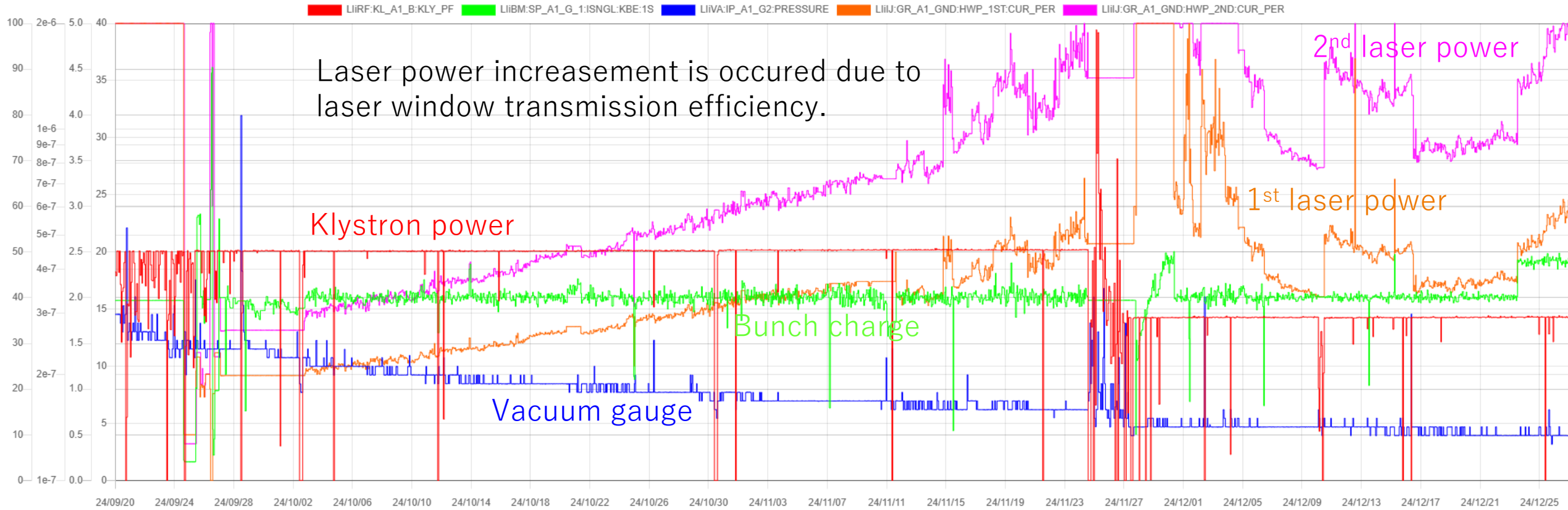


# 6nC output from RF-Gun and 4 nC at the LINAC end

RF-Gun  
output  
charge



# Operation history (charge and laser power)

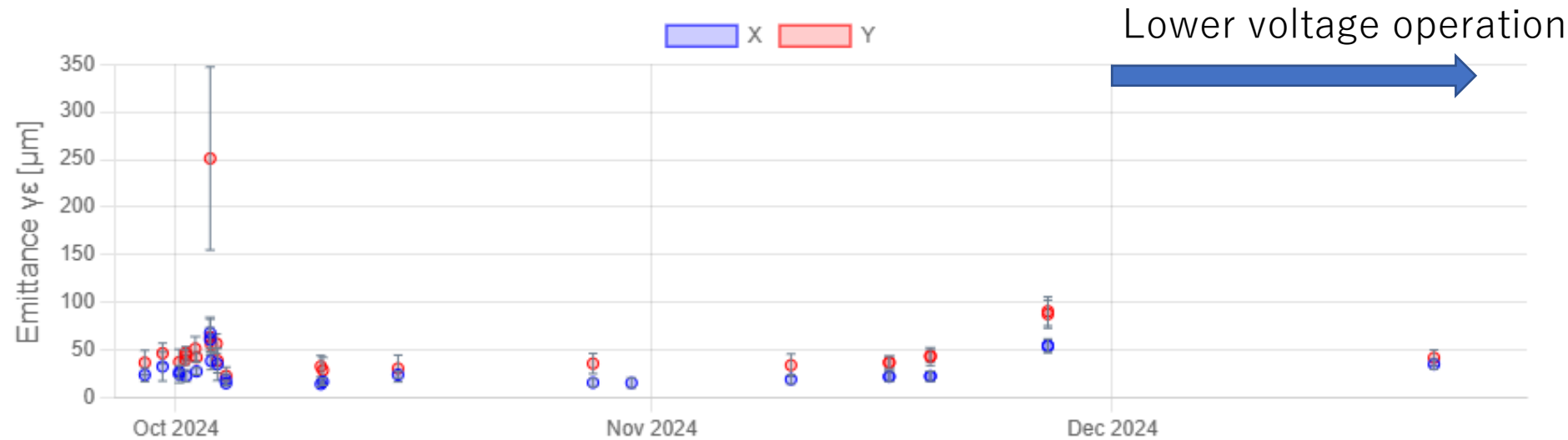


Not fully recovered (9MW, 1 us)  
after serious dischargement.

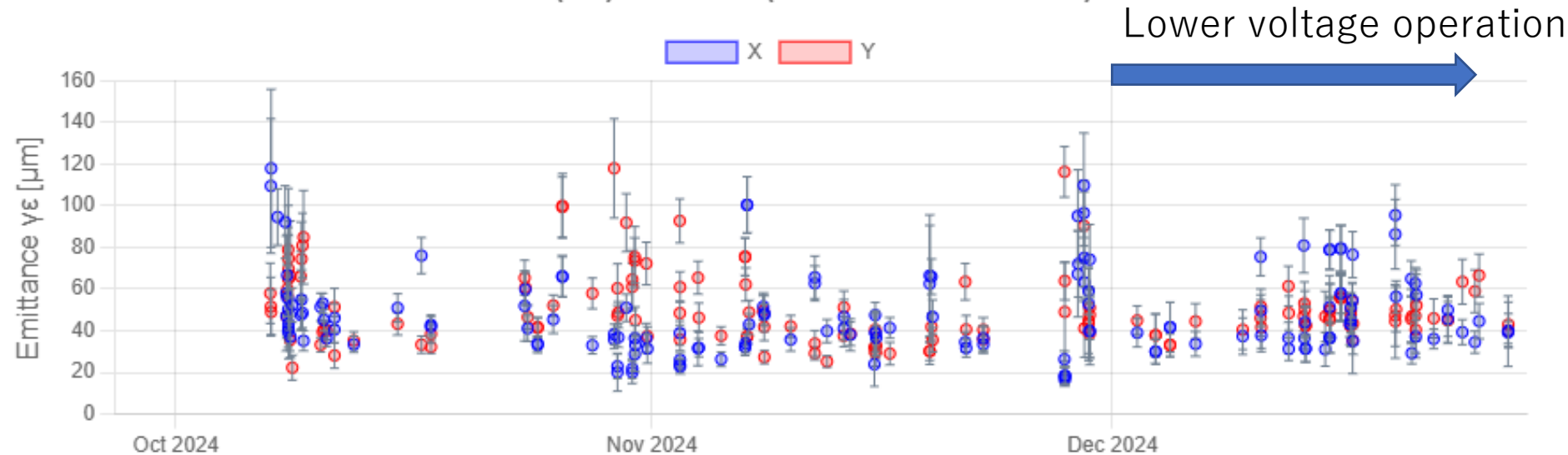


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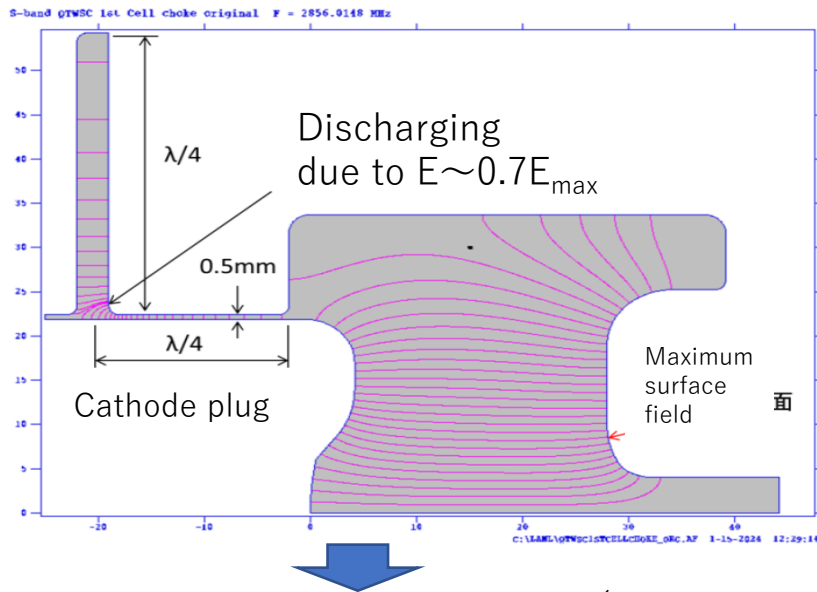


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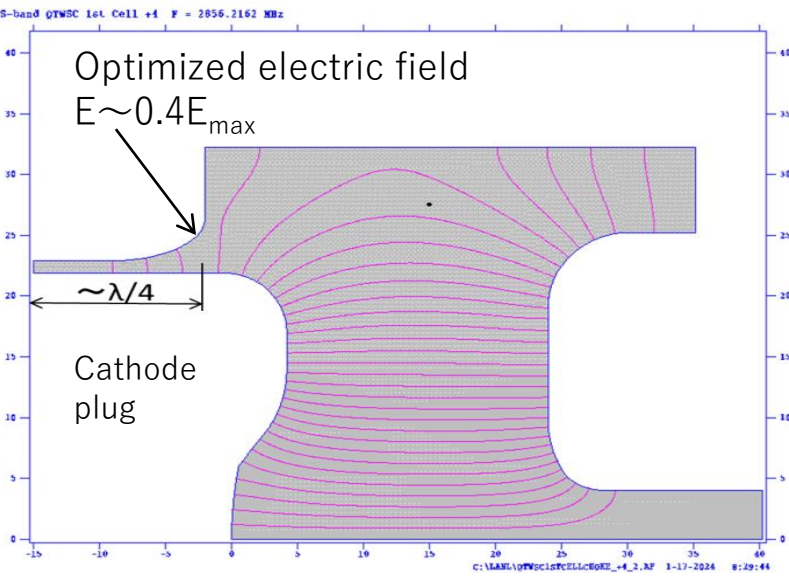


# LINAC / RF-Gun recent trouble

Current RF-Gun cathode cell with choke structure for cathode thermal cleaning



New RF-Gun cathode cell (install @ FY2025)

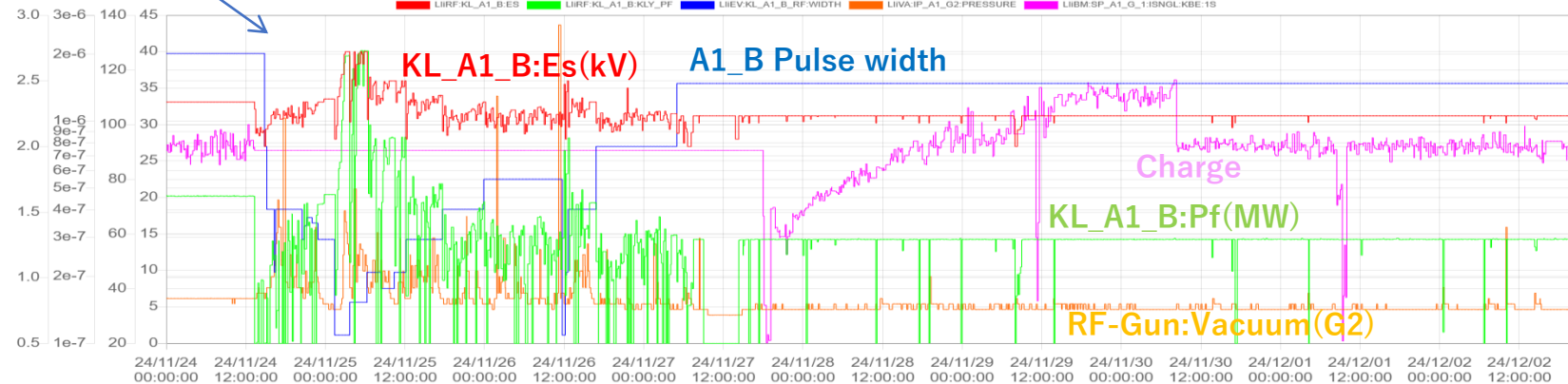


RF-Gun Serious discharge(11/24)

HER Injection unavailable due to RF-Gun down

KEKB Tunnel Access

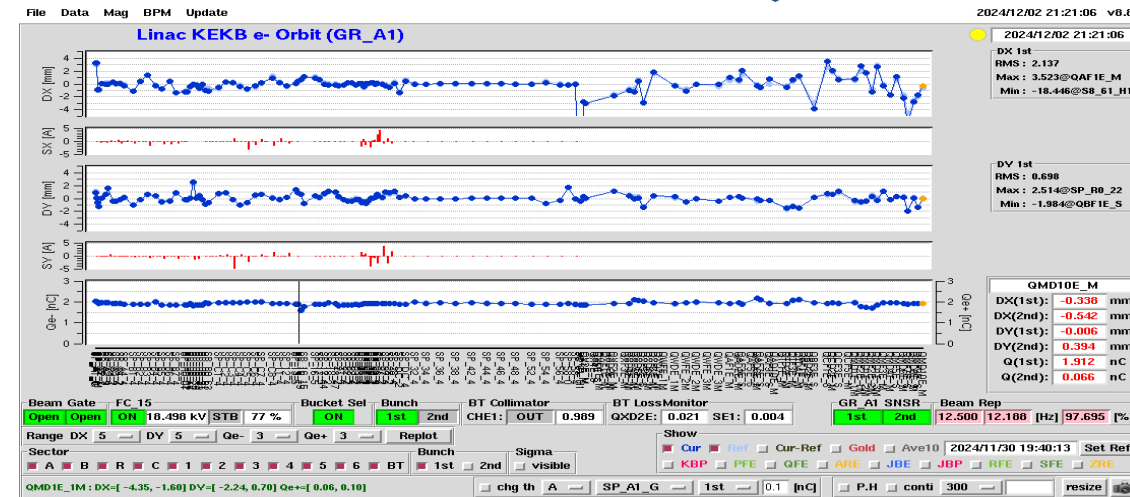
LINAC Maintenance Day



Normal operation  
14MW, 1.1us

Not fully recovered  
9MW, 1 us

Charge recovered



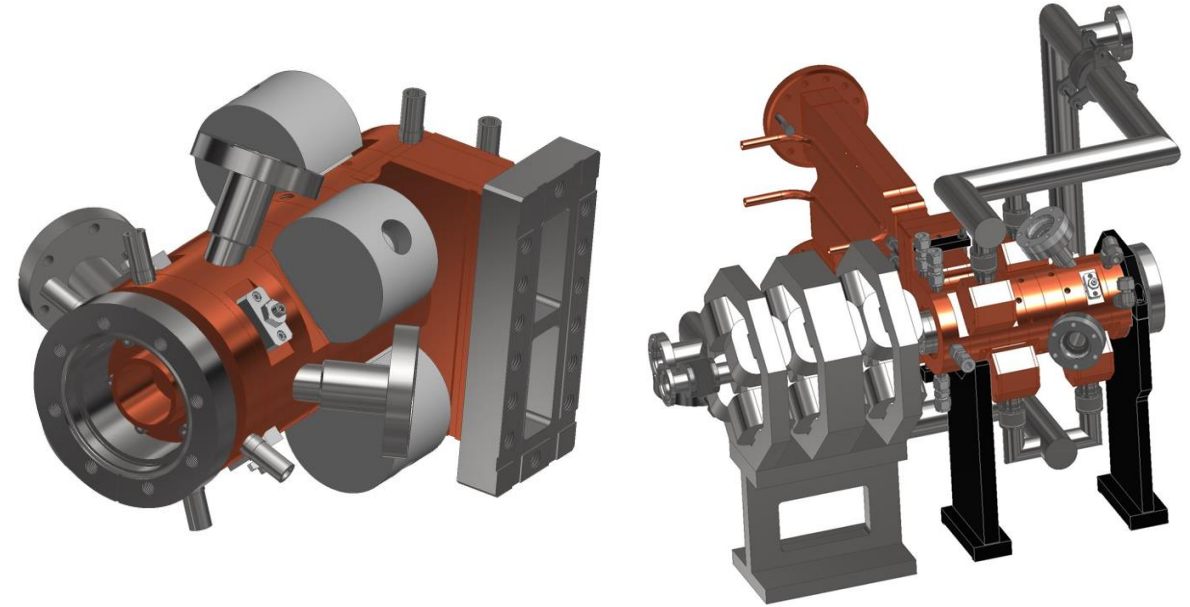
2nC , Normalized Emittance : 40 x 45  $\mu\text{m}$  at BT1

# New Quasi-Travelling Wave Side Couple RF-Gun

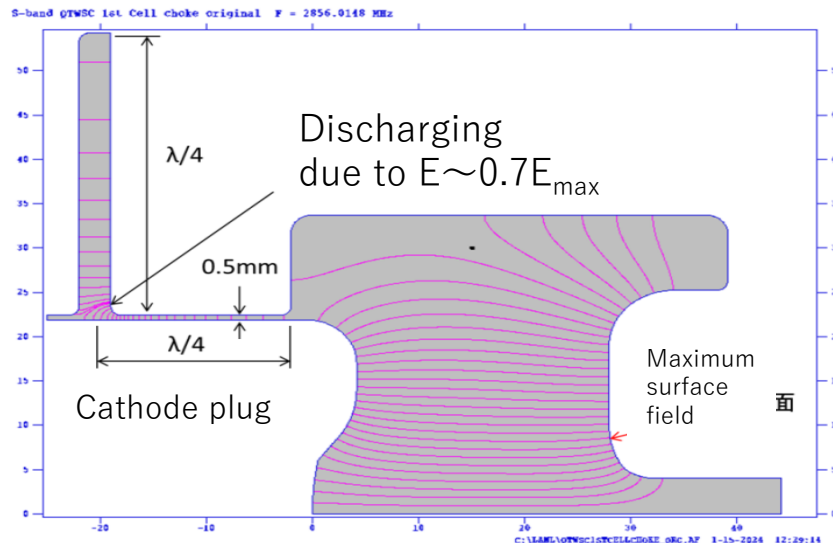
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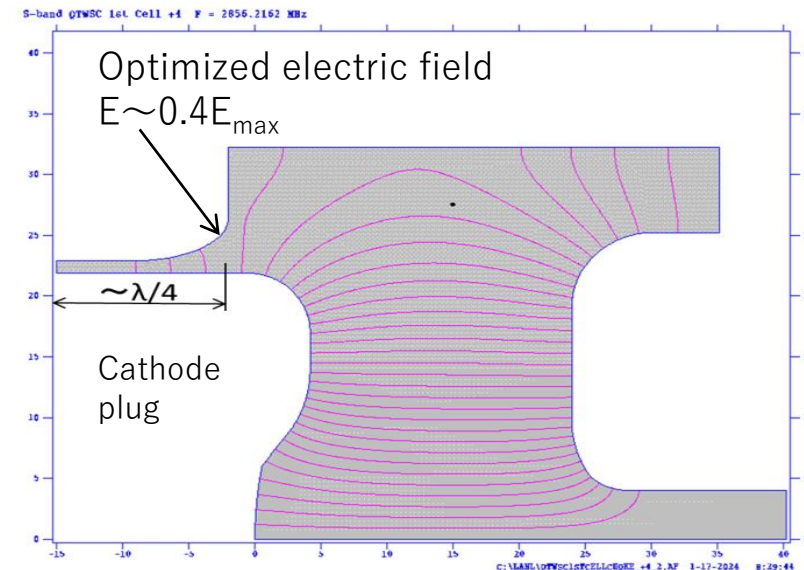
- Laser window life time
- Dischagement at choke structure
- Dark current
- Energy slope due to lower voltage
- Focusing magnet



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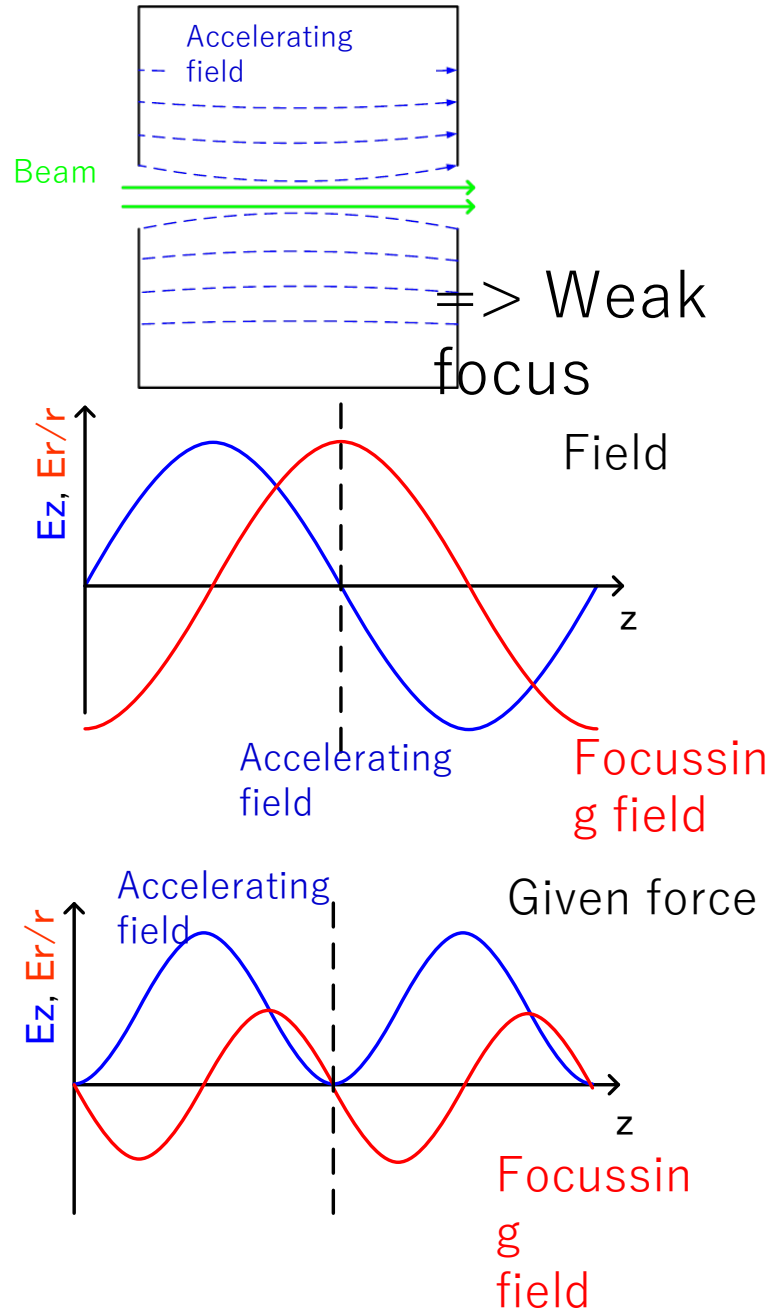


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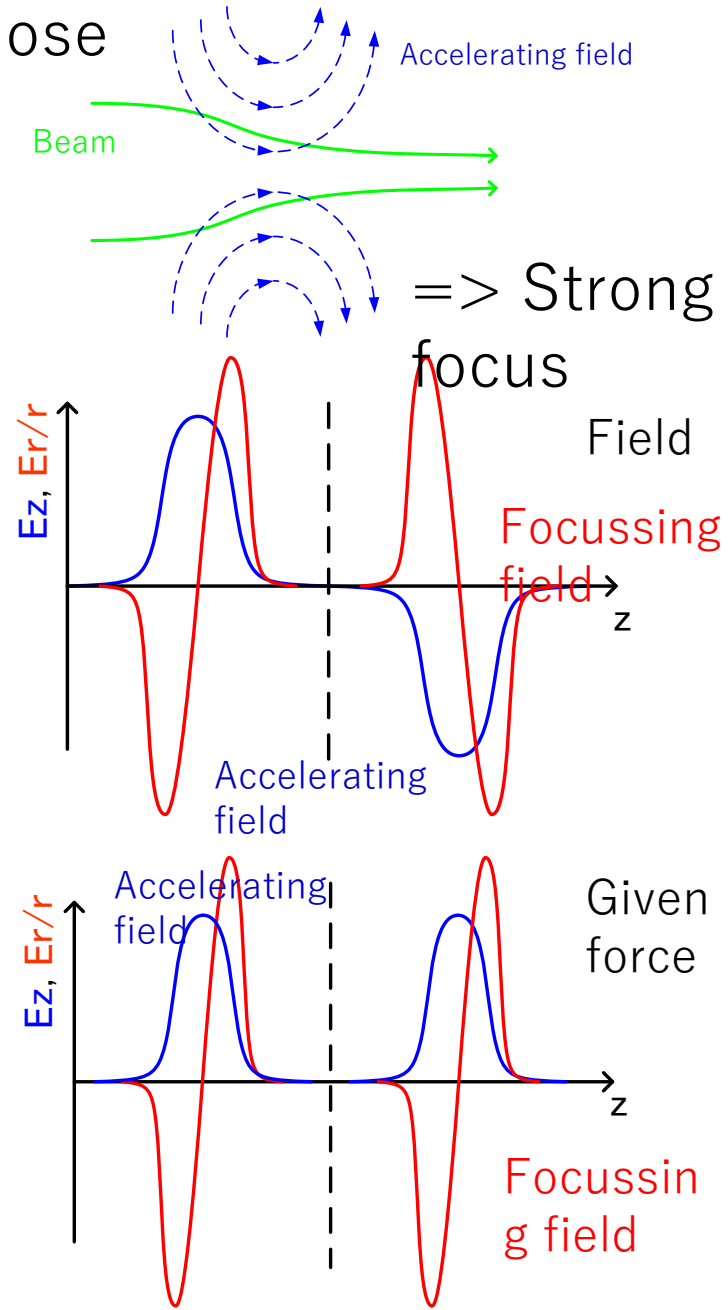




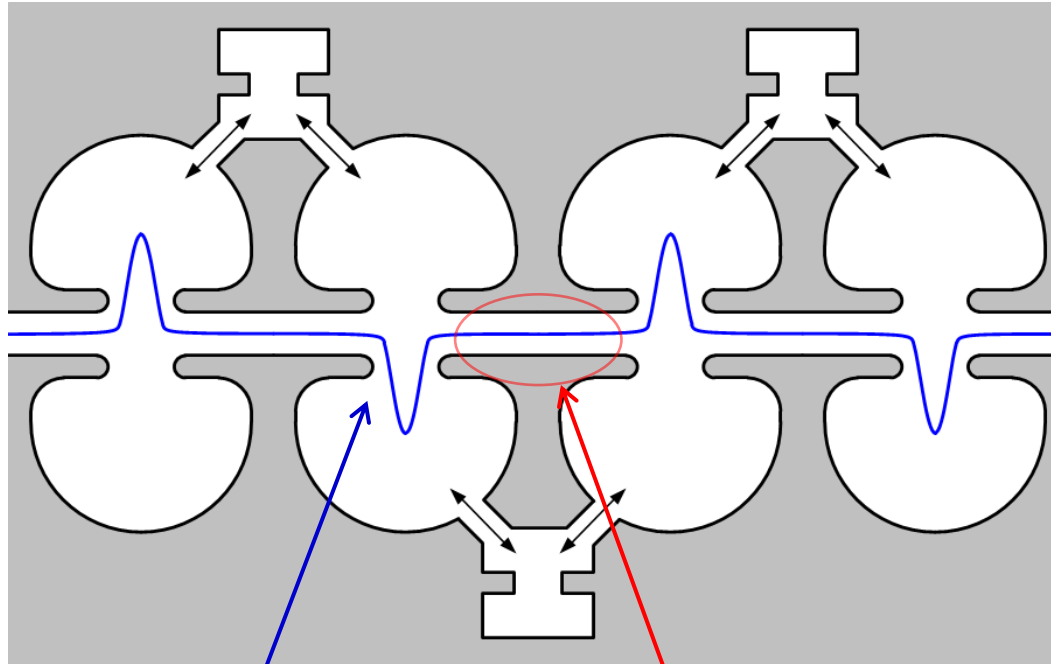
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## Annular coupled cavity with nose

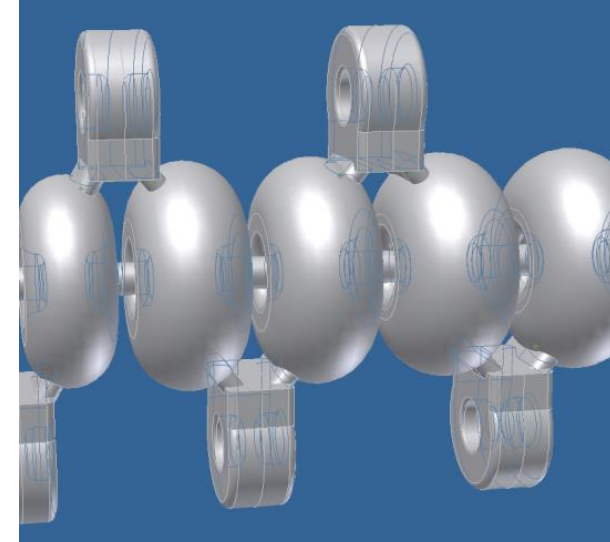


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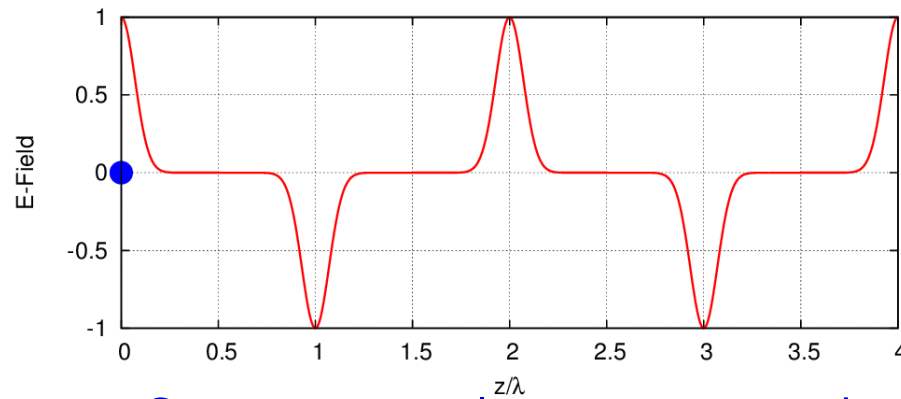
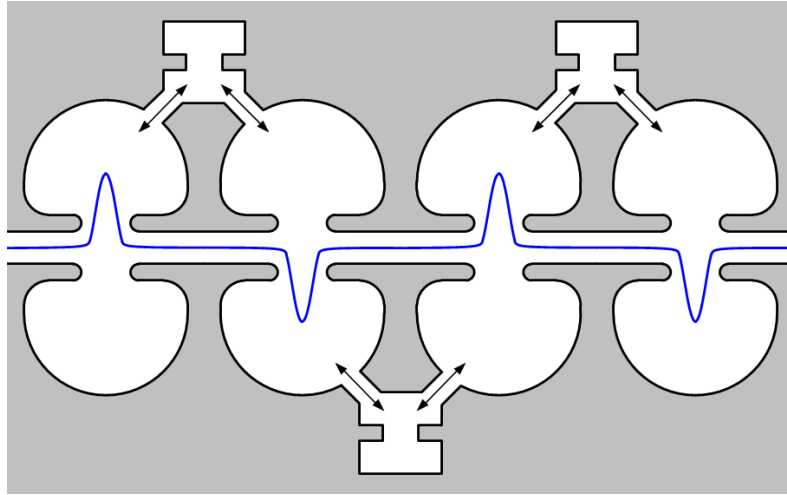


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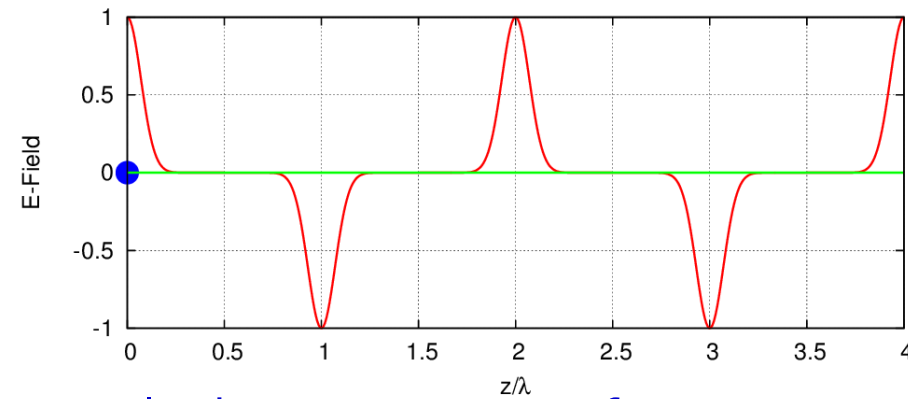
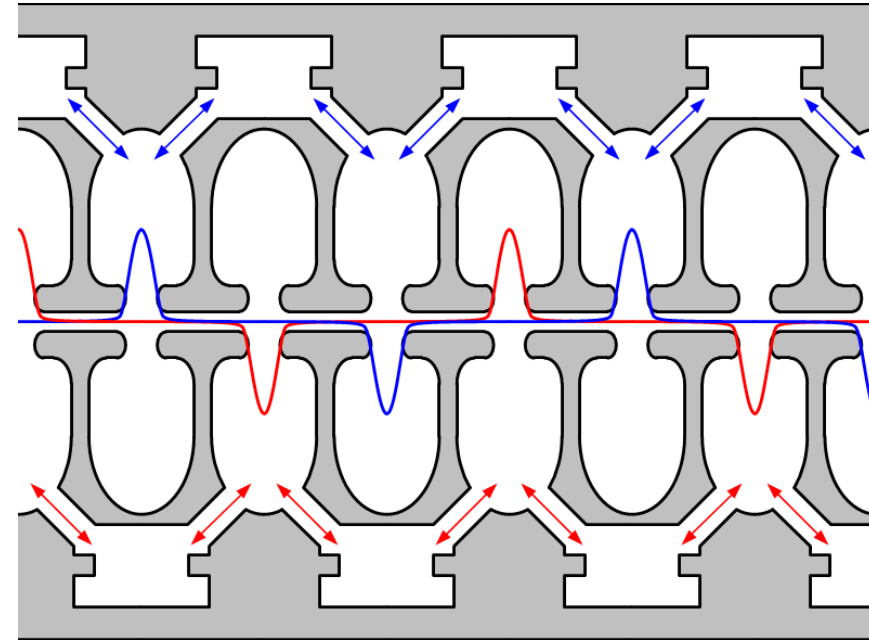
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# Design of a quasi traveling wave side couple RF gun

Normal side couple structure



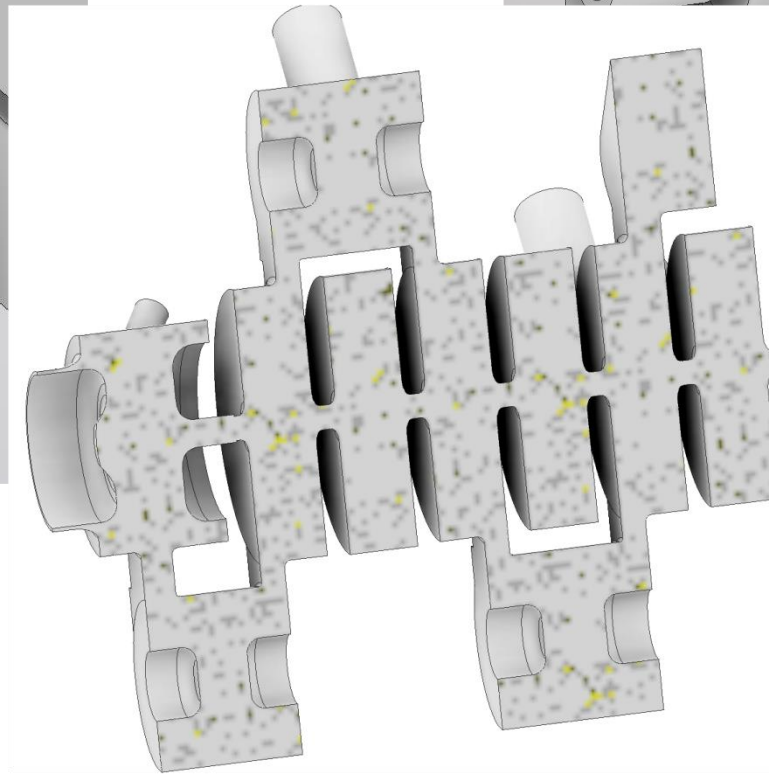
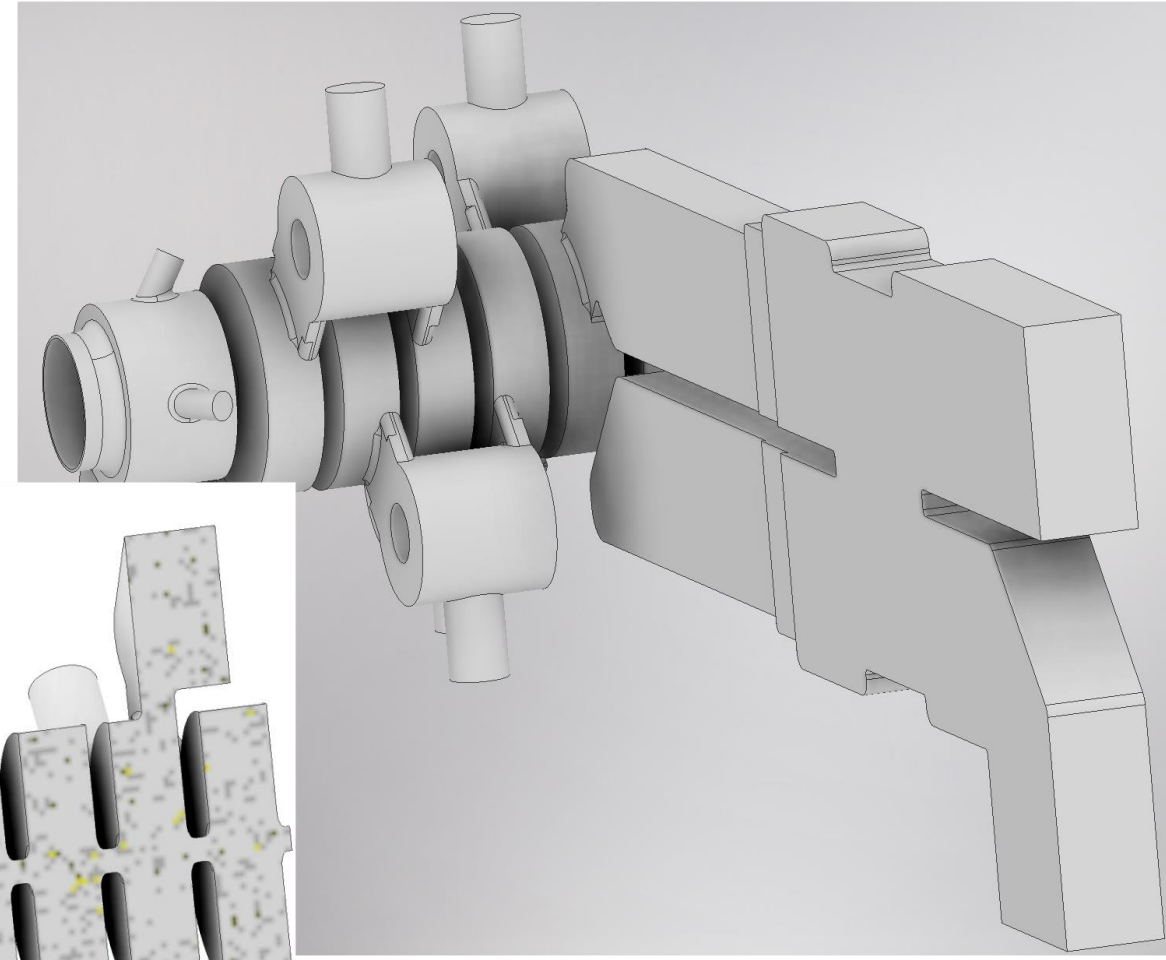
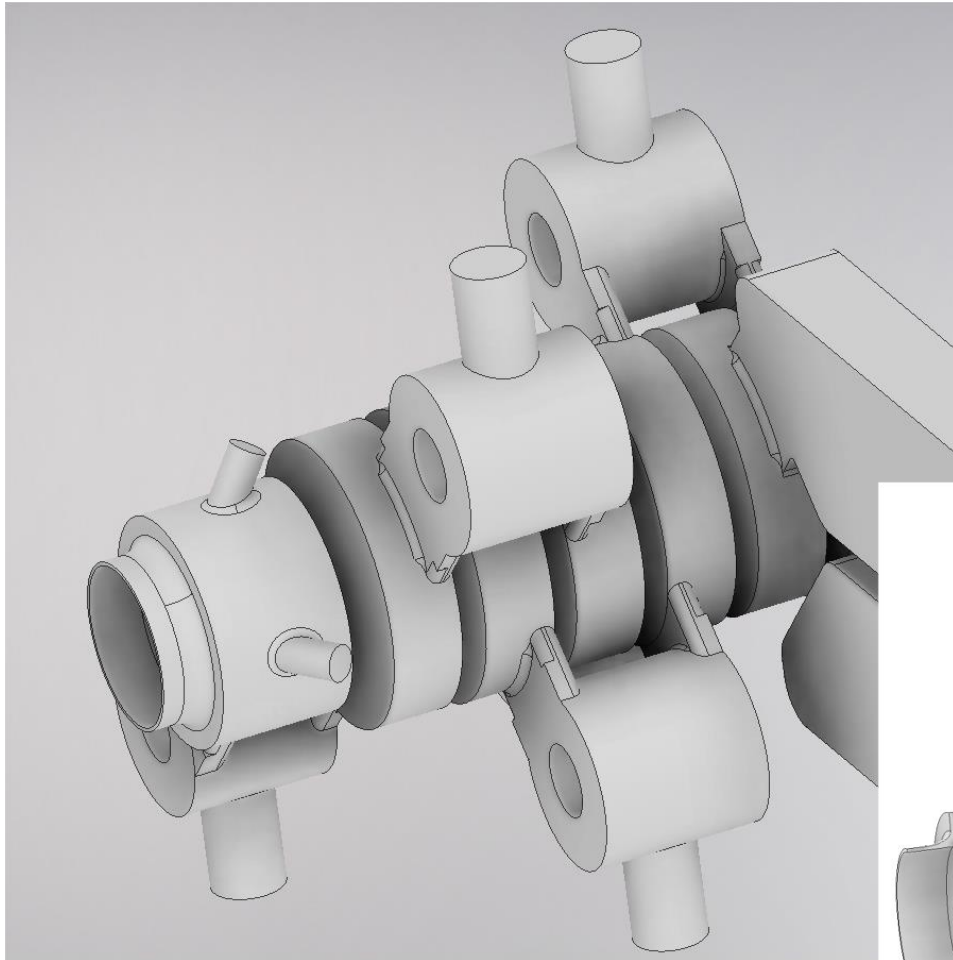
Quasi traveling wave sidecouple structure



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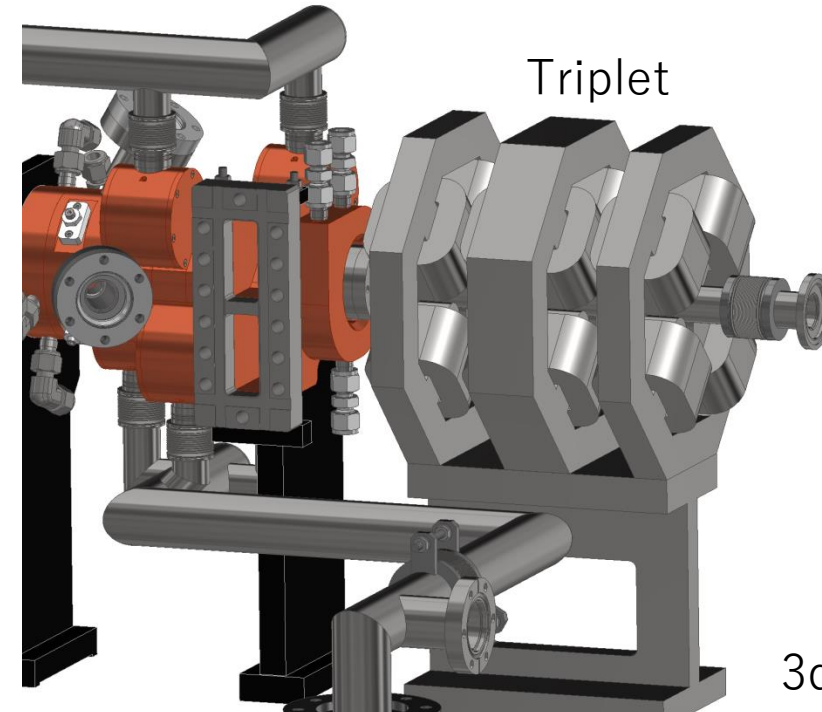
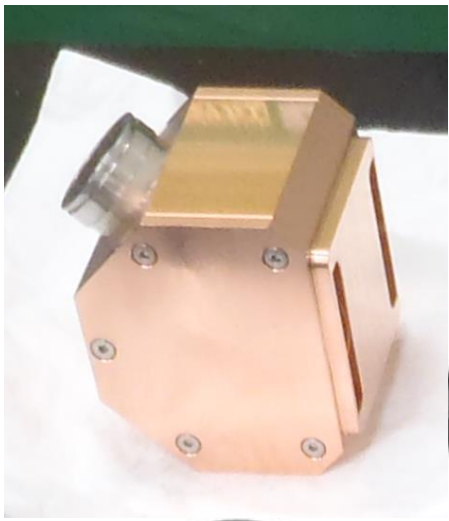


# New Quasi Travelling Wave RF-Gun Cavity



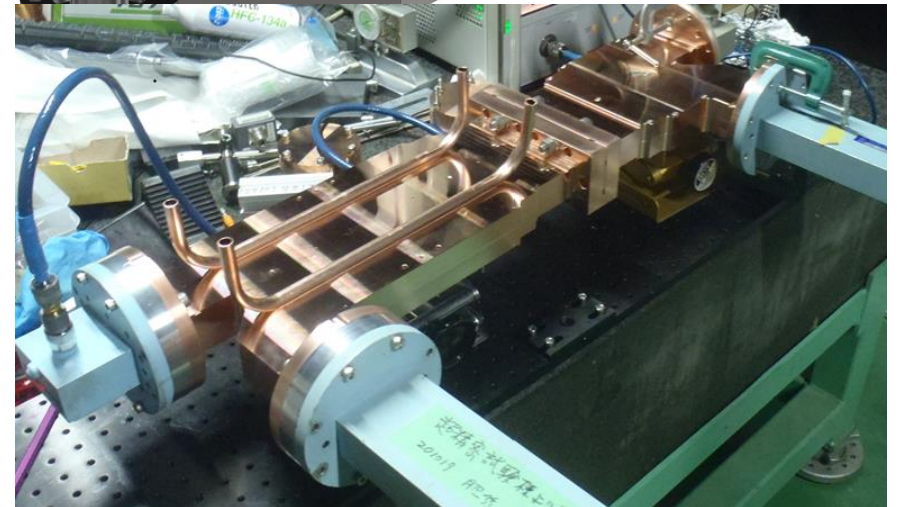
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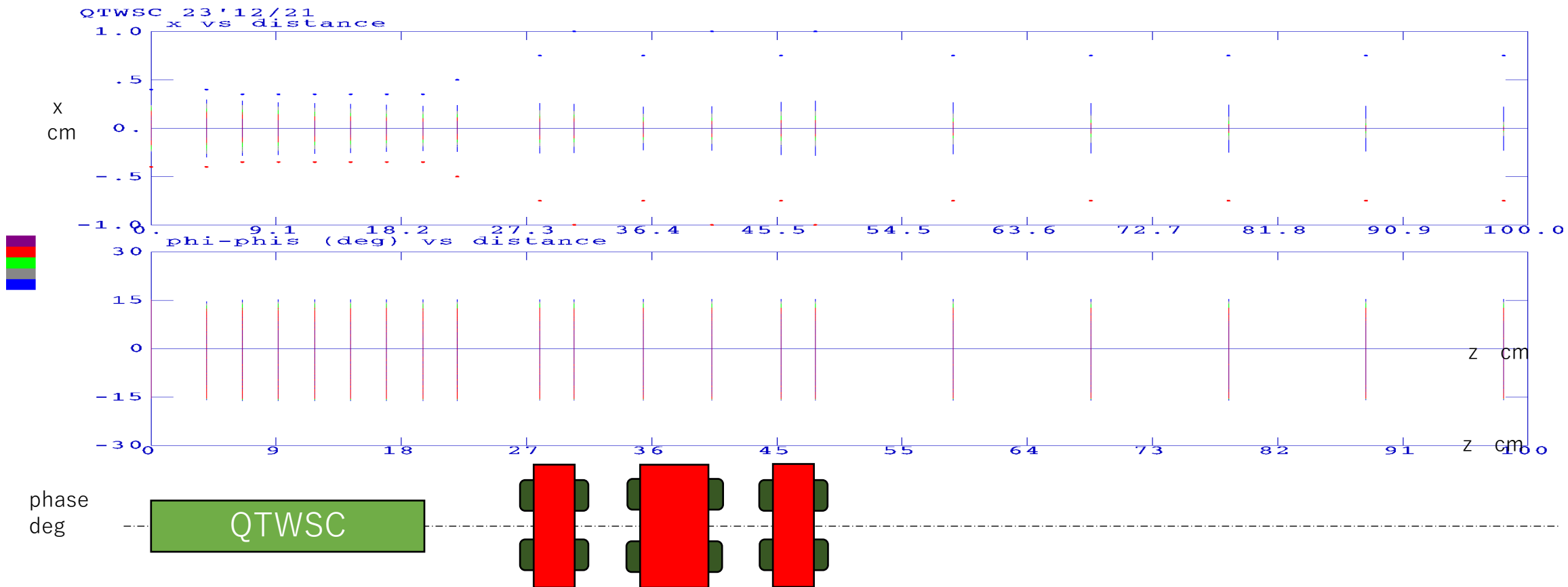
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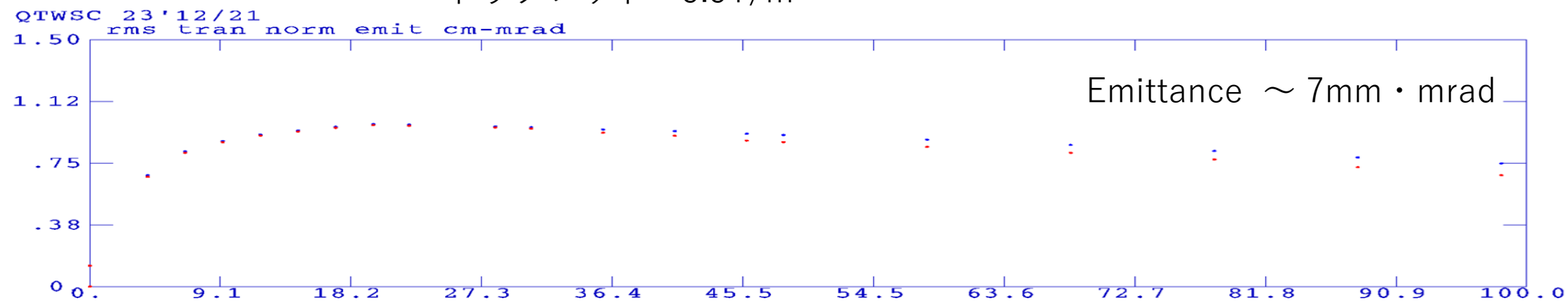
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After blazing



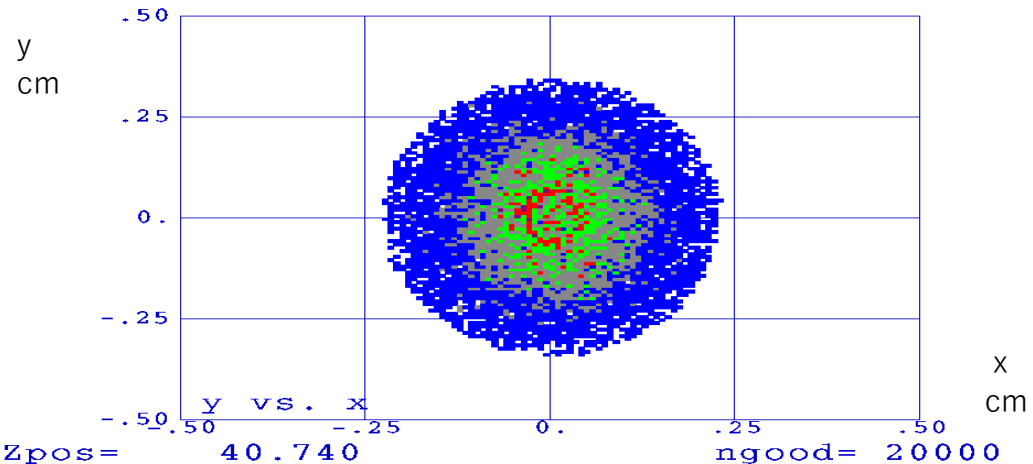
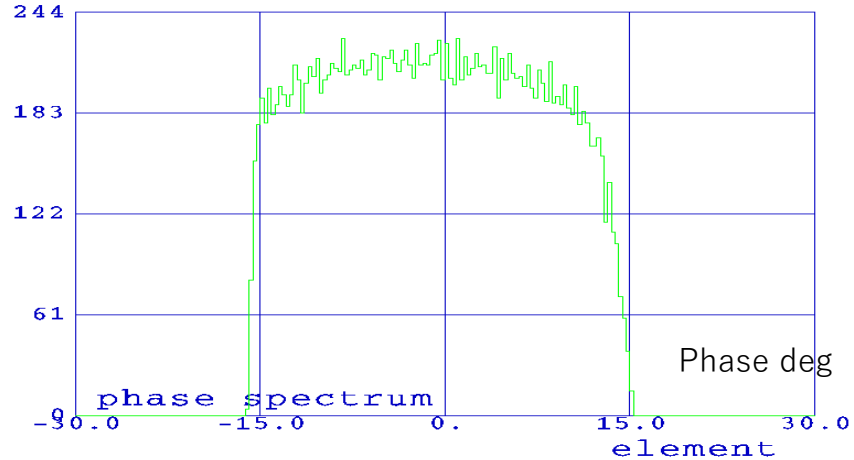


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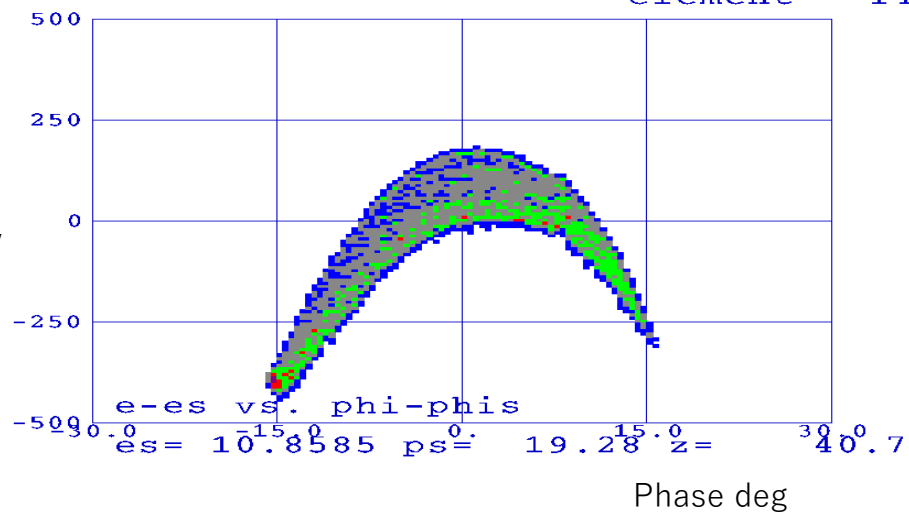




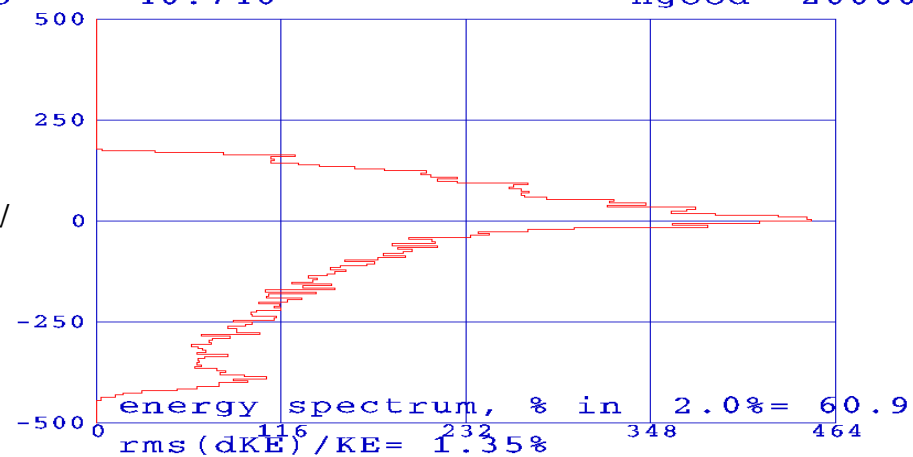
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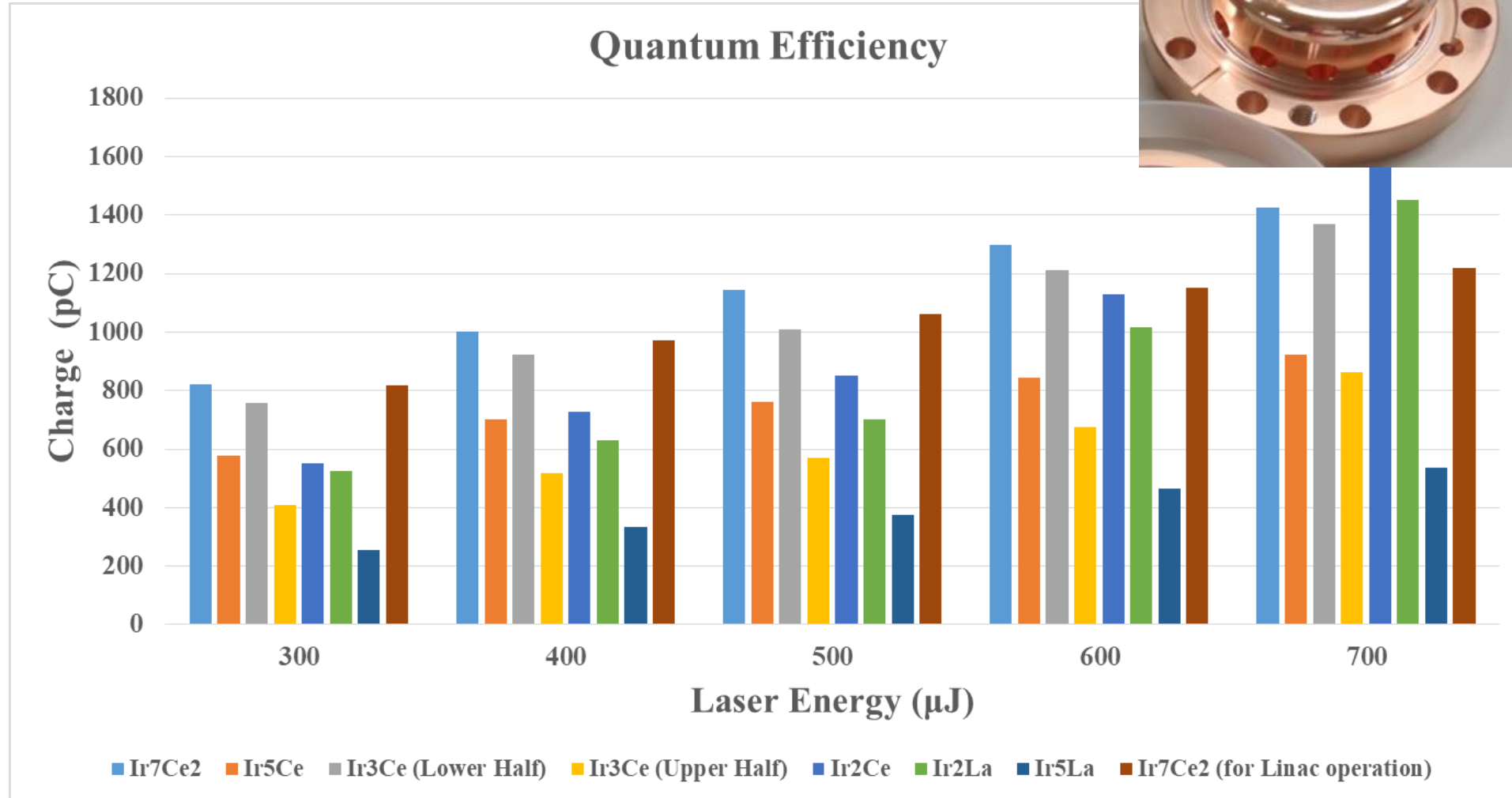
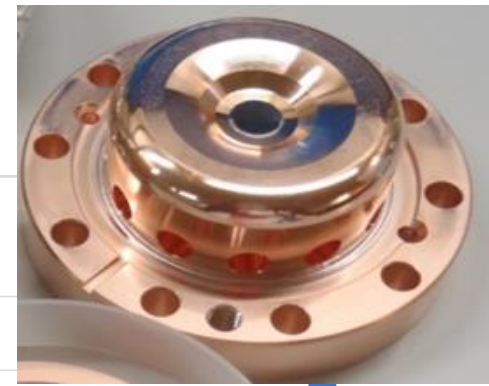
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# Cathode : $\text{Ir}_7\text{Ce}_2$



KEK house made IrCe cathode has best quantum efficiency

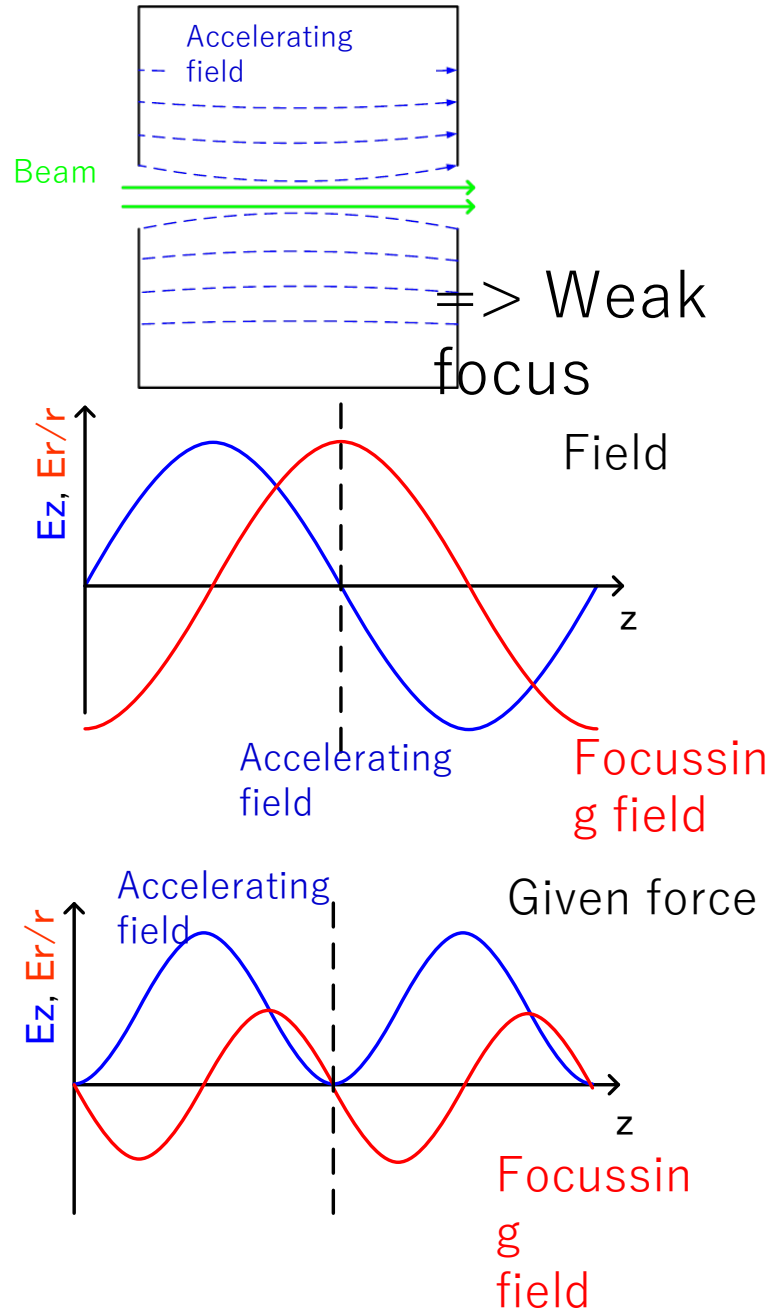
# e- beam summary and issue

- Thermionic DC electron gun has worked fine to generate primary electron beam for positron production.
  - ===== To Do =====
  - Stability improvement : Dedicated power supply / Stabilizing temperature of high voltage station
- Photocathode RF-Gun
  - Laser system and DOE element (fully covered 8 mm cathode area) worked fine without any significant trouble.
  - High bunch charge e- was demonstrated. Achieved 6 nC from e- gun and 4 nC at the linac end.
  - New piezo mirror feedforward system improve beam stability.
  - Better QE IrCe composite cathode  
===== To Do =====
  - Laser temporal shaping
  - New **QWSC RF-Gun will solve**
    - Laser window deterioration
    - Higher voltage to avoid cathode plug dischargement
    - Lower dark current
    - Better energy slope
    - Better emittance according to higher voltage and unified focusing magnet
- Future plan
  - X-band Linearizer cavity is under design to reduce non-linear energy distribution.
  - Multi-bunch operation (4-7 bunches)

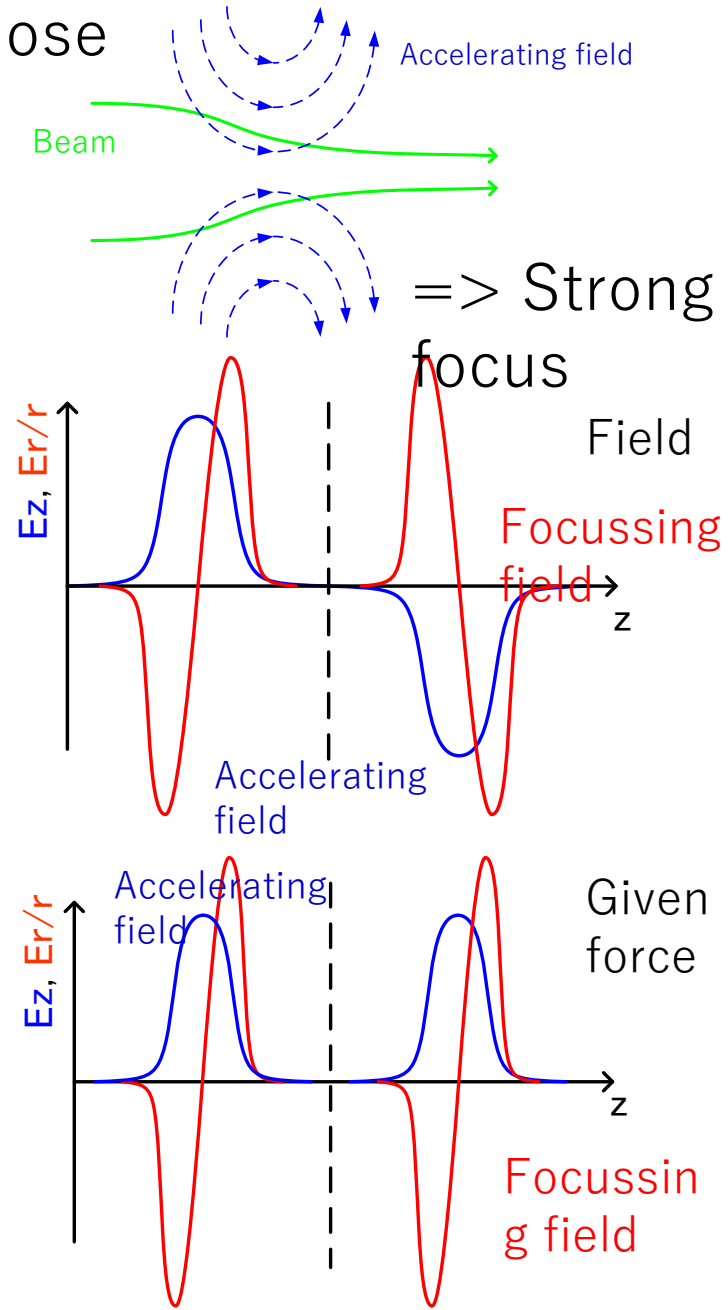
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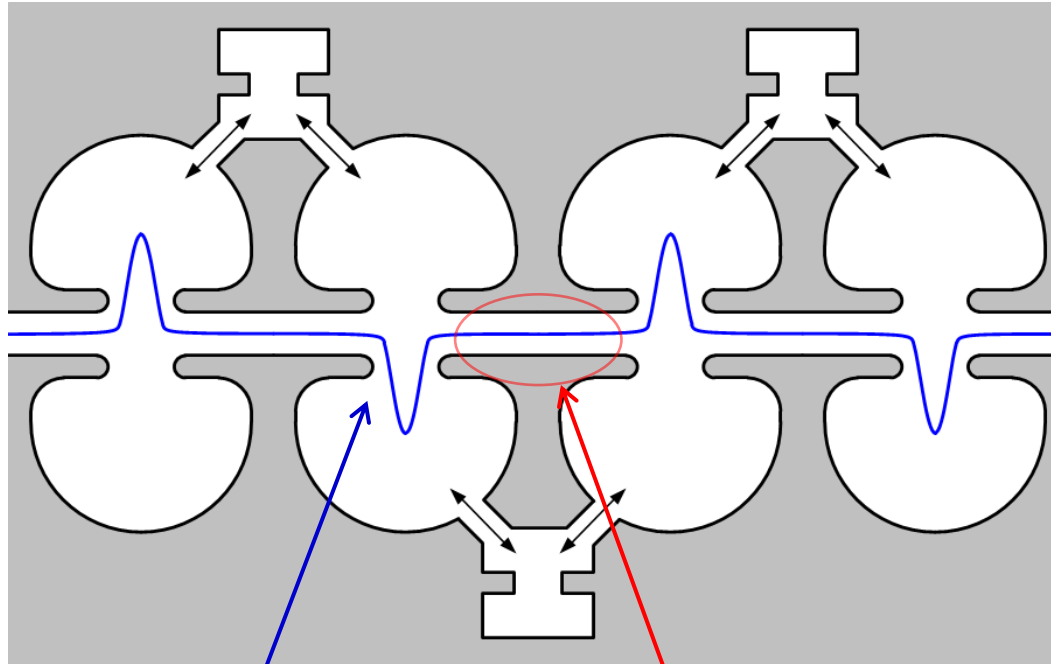
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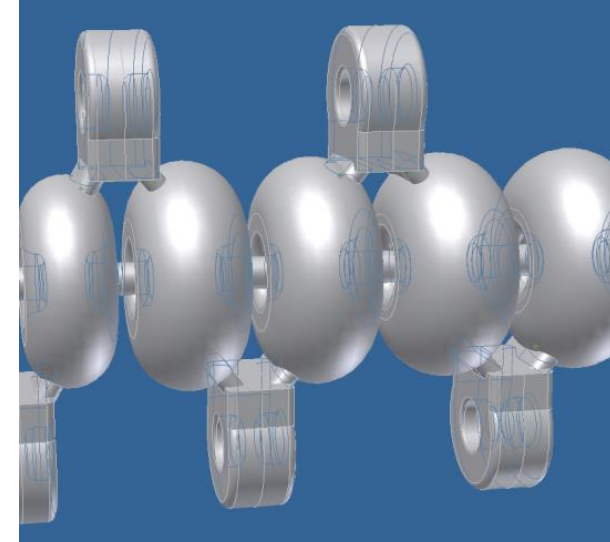


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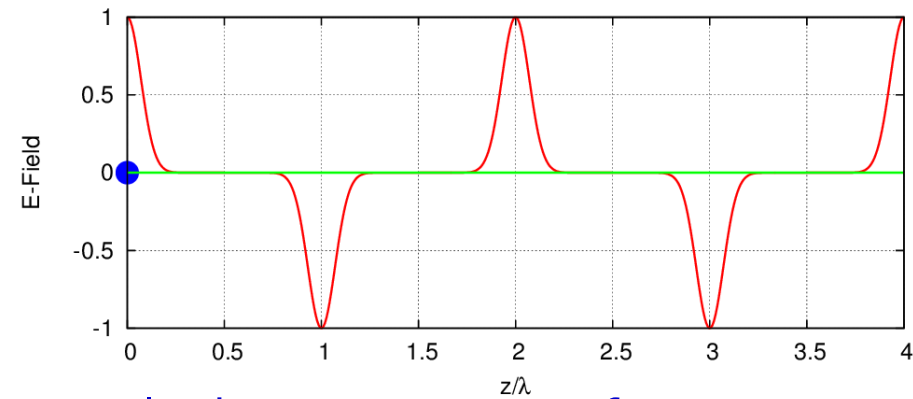
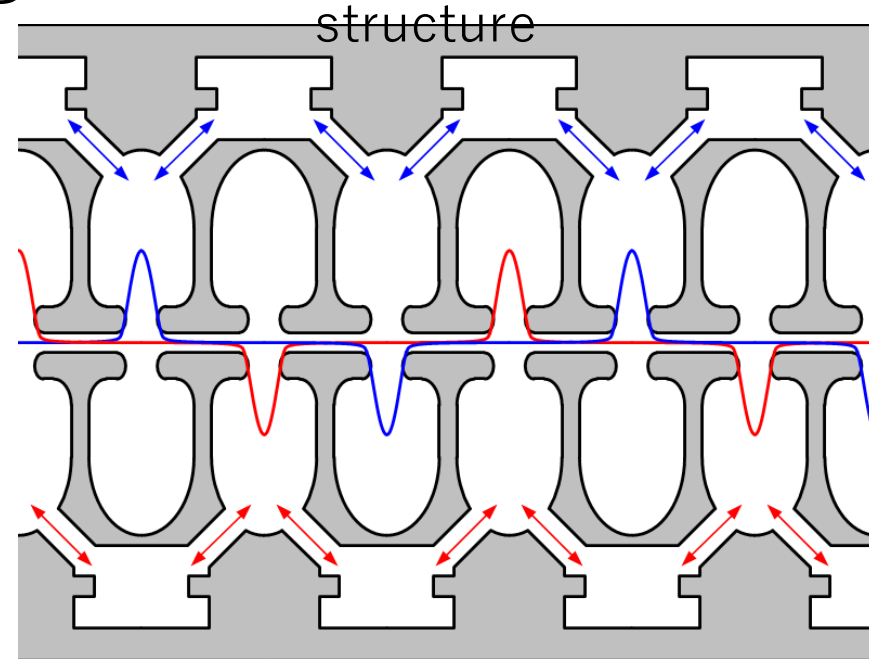
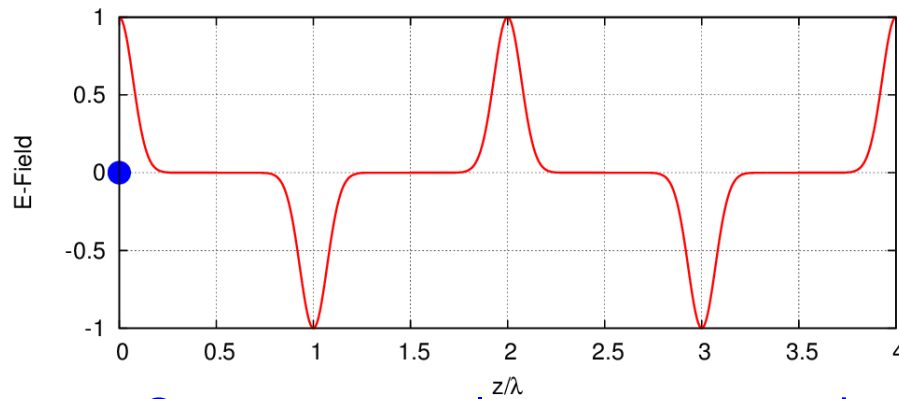
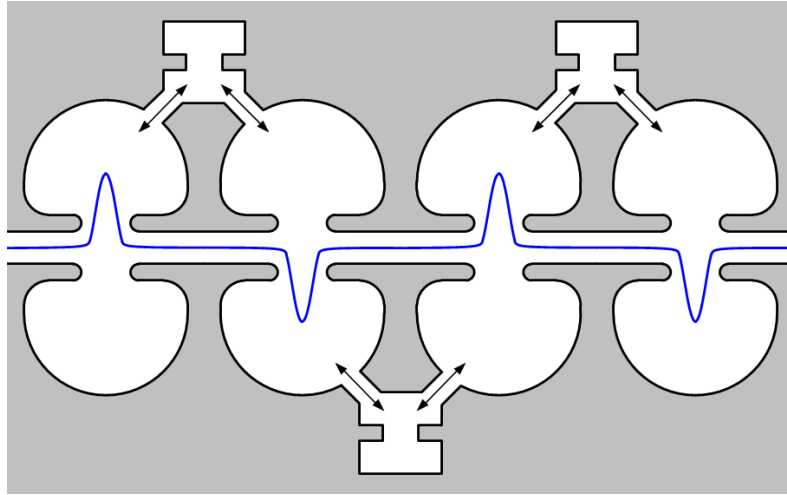


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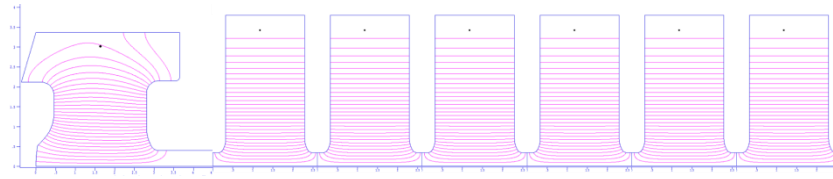
# Design of a quasi traveling wave side couple

Normal side couple structure RF gun Quasi traveling wave sidecouple structure

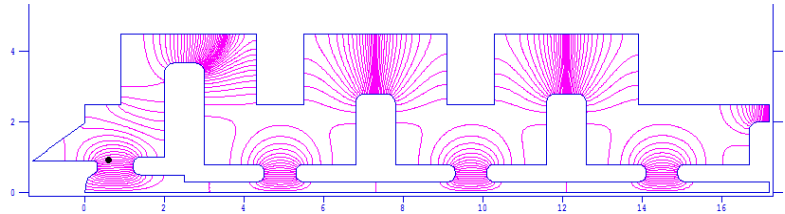


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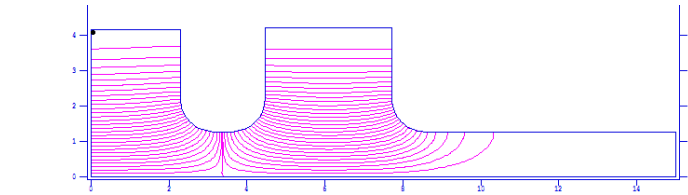
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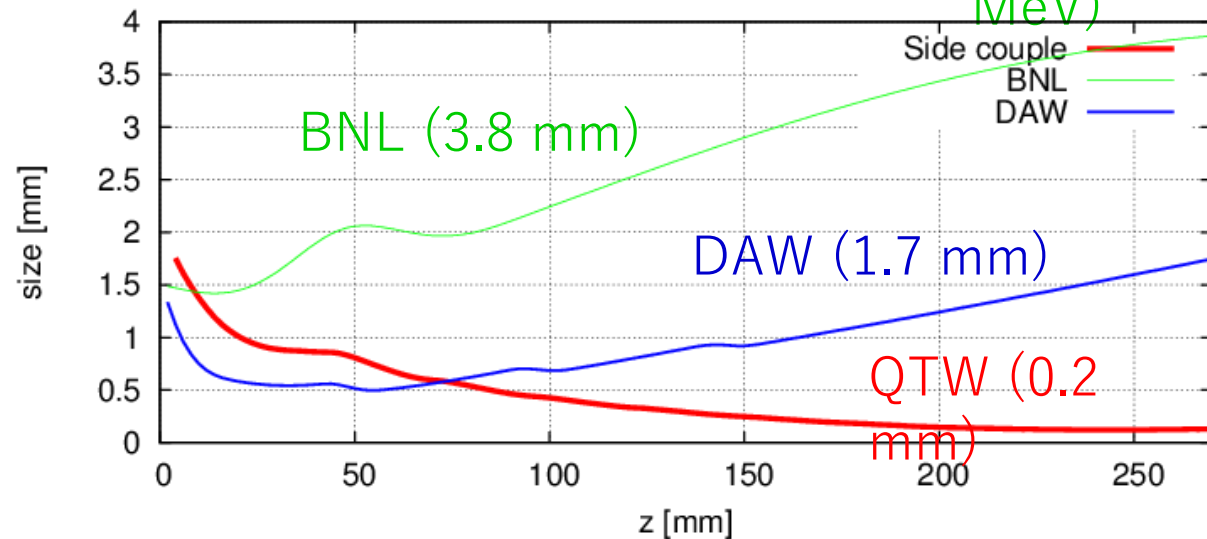
Quasi traveling wave side couple RF gun  
(100 MV/m, 6mm-mrad, 13.5 MeV)



DAW-type RF gun  
(90 MV/m, 5 mm-mrad, 3.2 MeV)



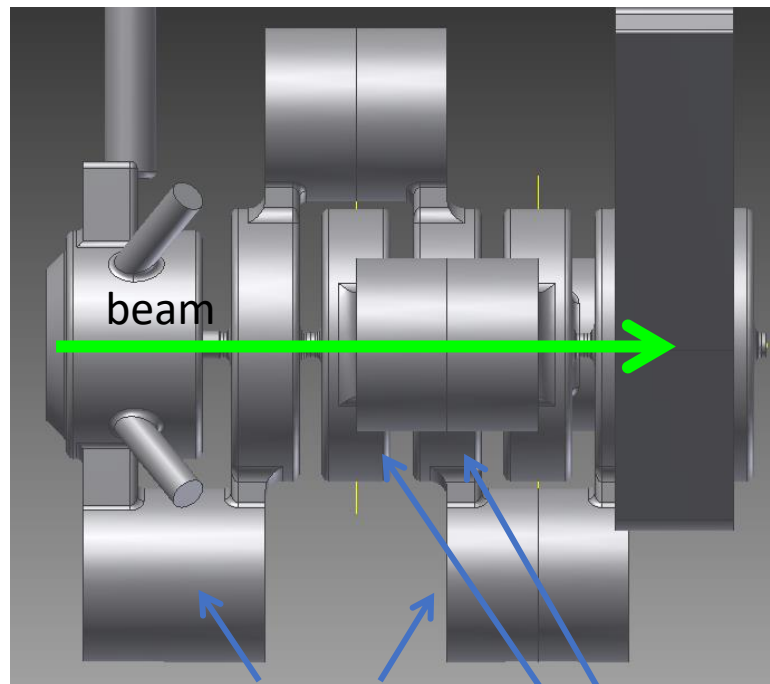
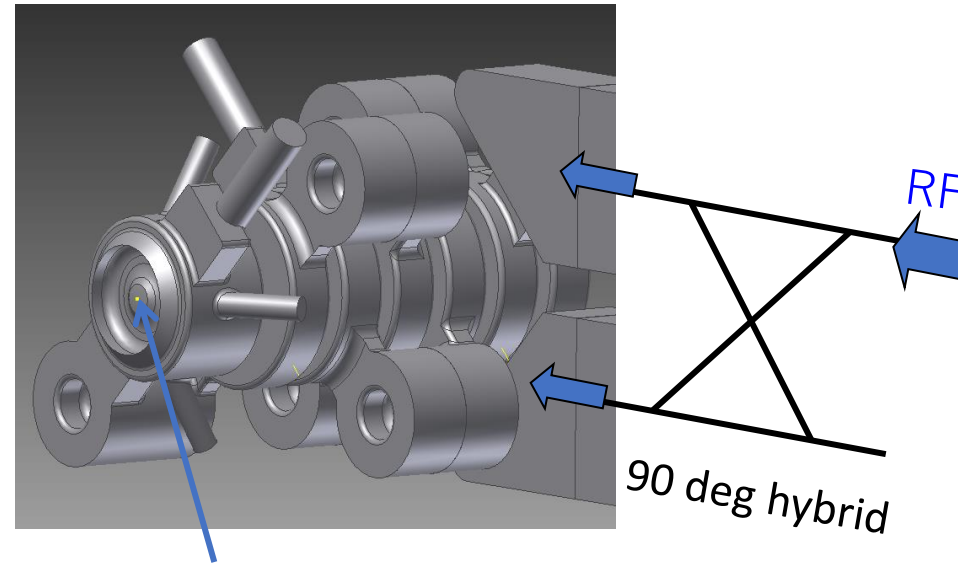
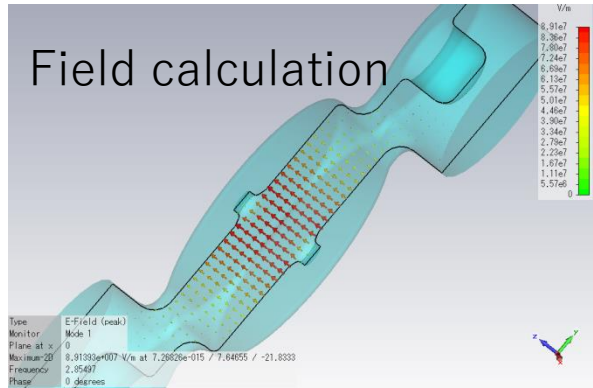
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← Beam Size

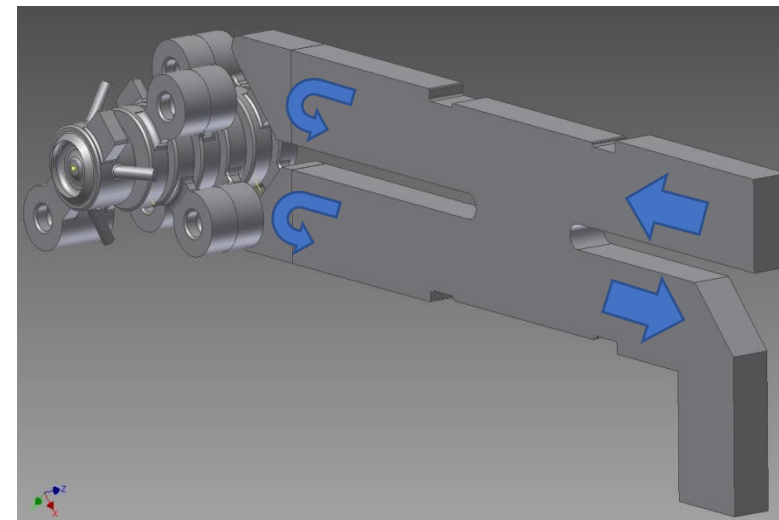


# Cavity design



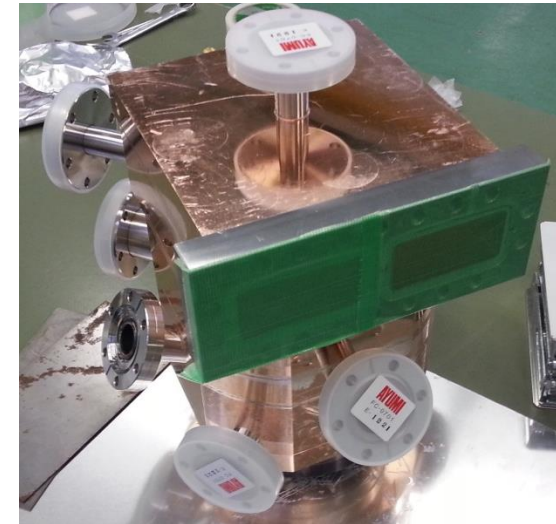
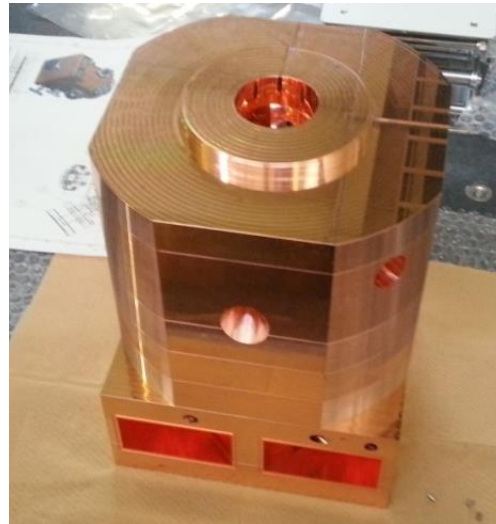
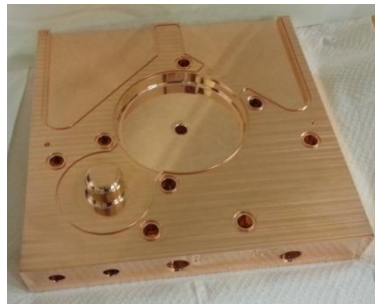
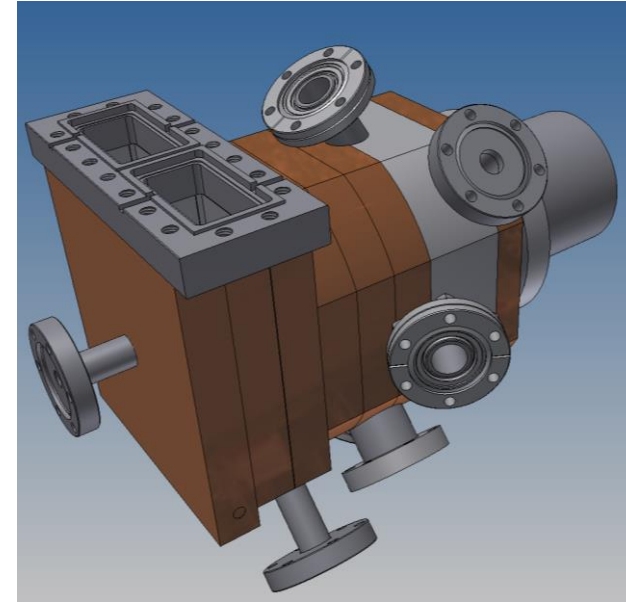
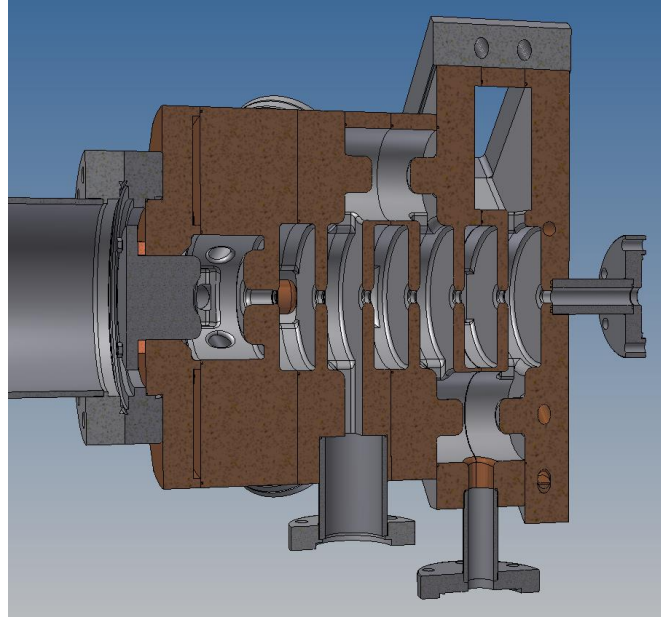
coupling cavities

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**No reflection to klystron**

# Mechanical design and manufacturing

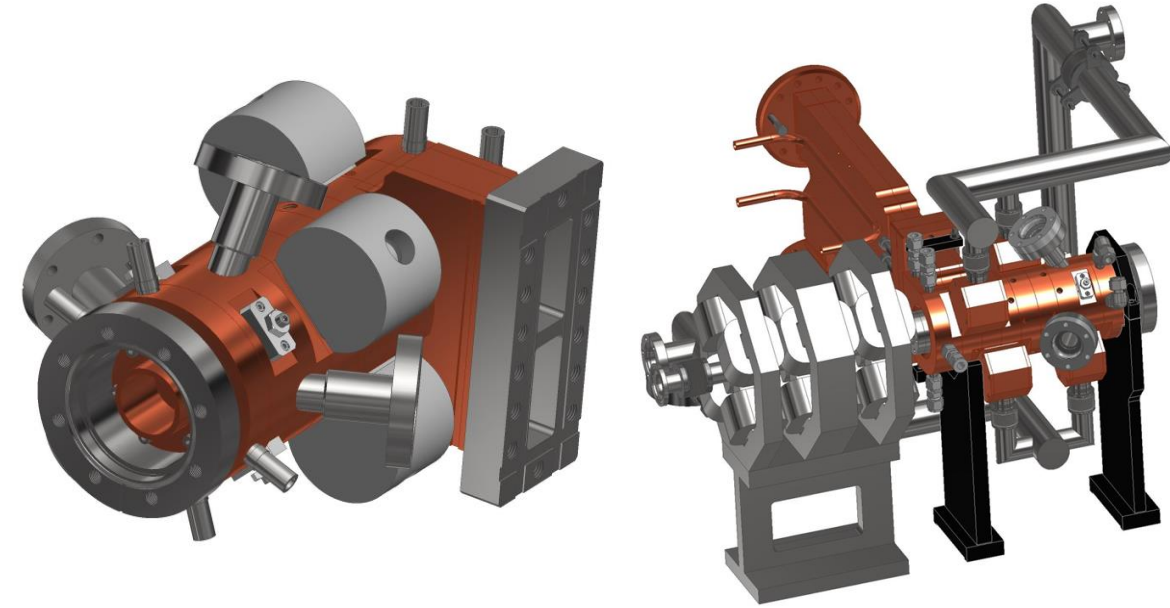


# New Quasi-Travelling Wave Side Couple RF-Gun

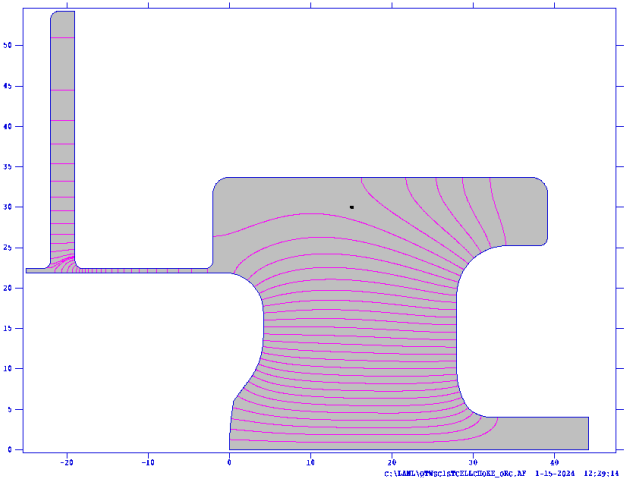
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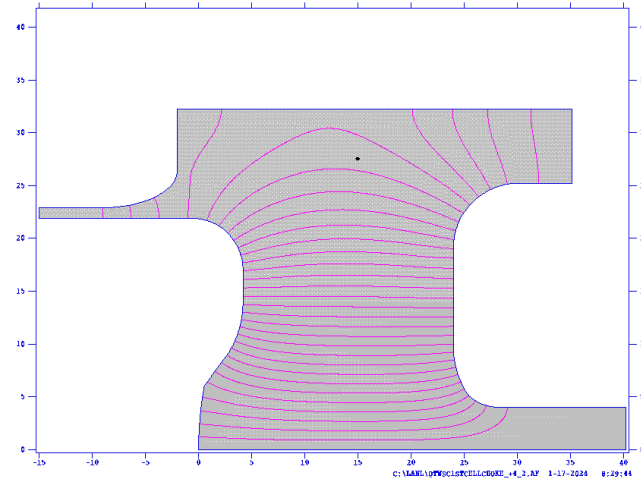
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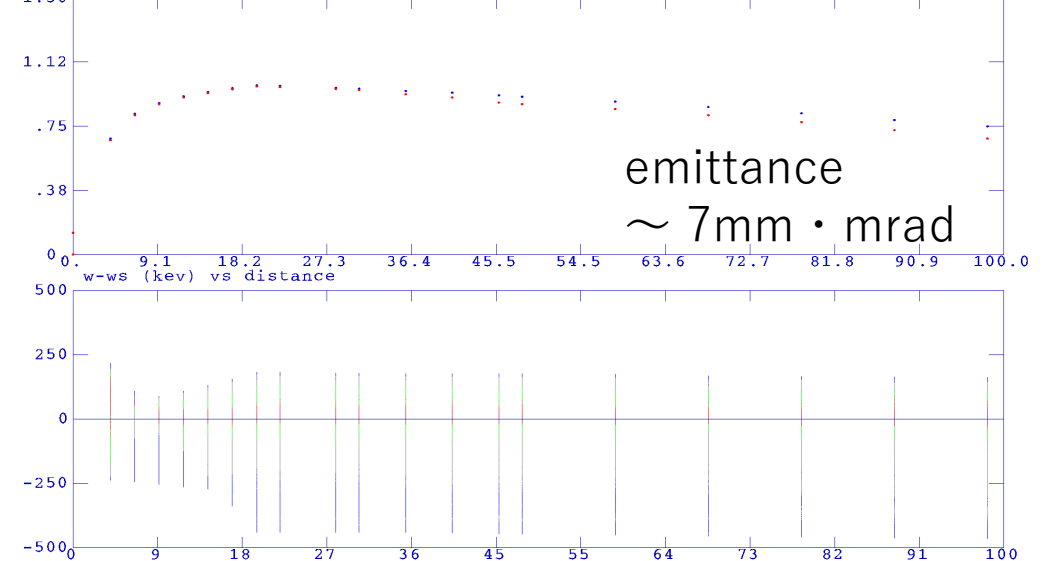
S-band QTWSC 1st Cell choke original F = 2856.0148 MHz



S-band QTWSC 1st Cell v4 F = 2856.2162 MHz



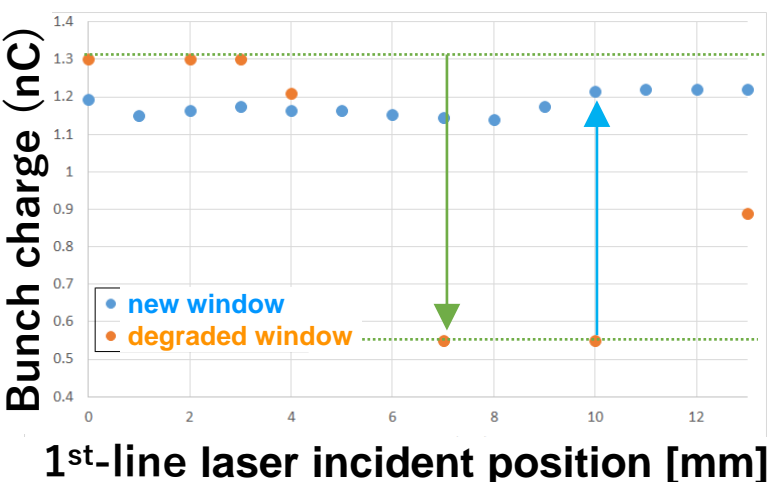
Q'TWSC 23'12/21  
rms tran norm emit cm-mrad



# Issue of rf gun laser window degradation

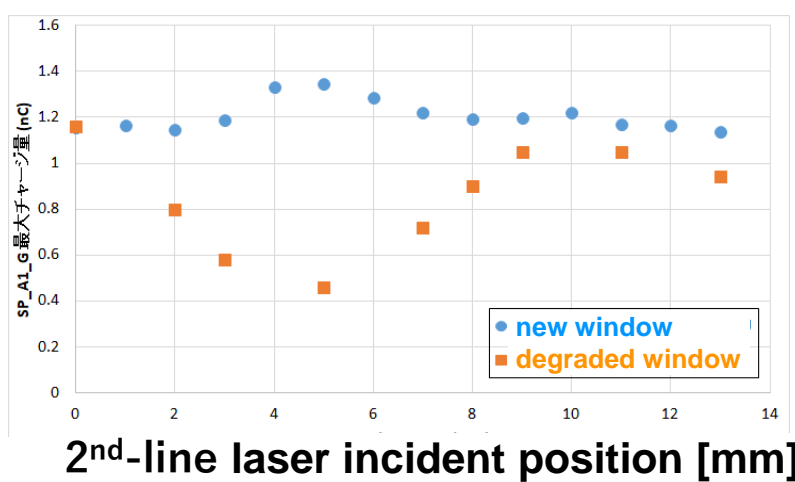
- Long term operation makes rf gun laser windows dirty for both of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> line.
- It decrease the transmittance of laser power through window and bunch charge intensity.
- After replacement of the laser window, the bunch charge intensity is recovered.
- Vacuum ion pump was installed between the laser window and rf gun cavity with the extension vacuum duct for the 1<sup>st</sup> line laser in this summer maintenance '22.

e- intensity by 1<sup>st</sup>-line laser

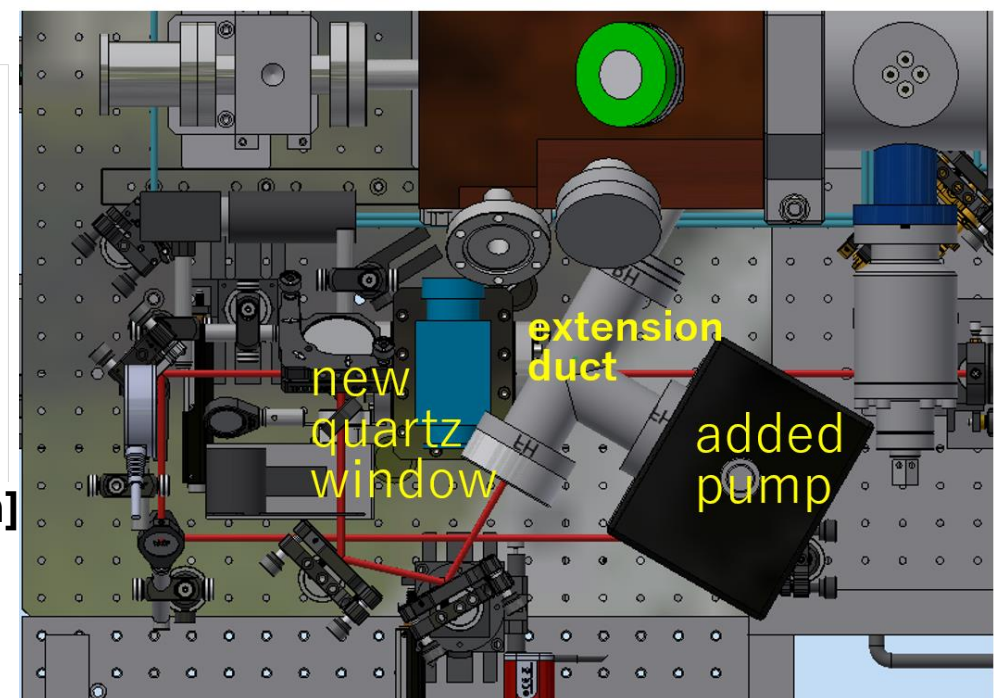


1<sup>st</sup>-line laser incident position [mm]

e- intensity by 2<sup>nd</sup>-line laser



2<sup>nd</sup>-line laser incident position [mm]

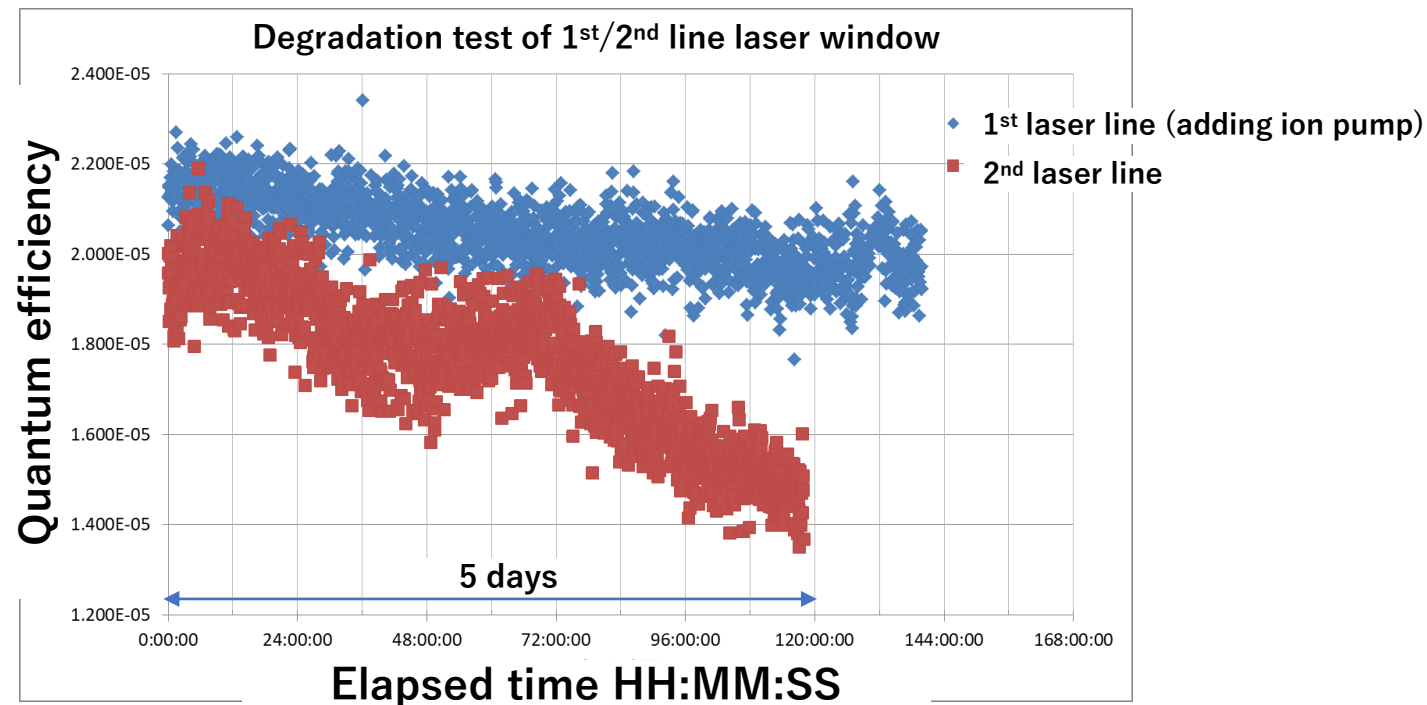




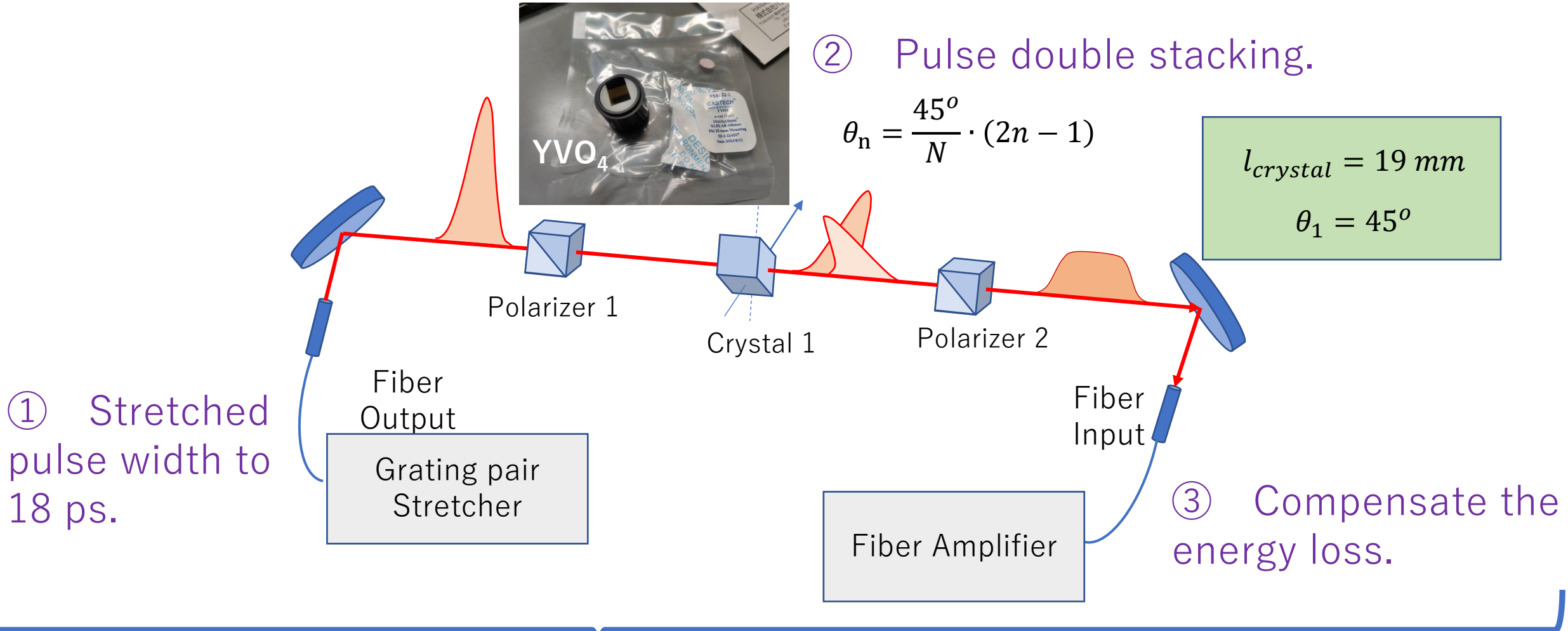
# Improvement of laser window degradation with ion pump

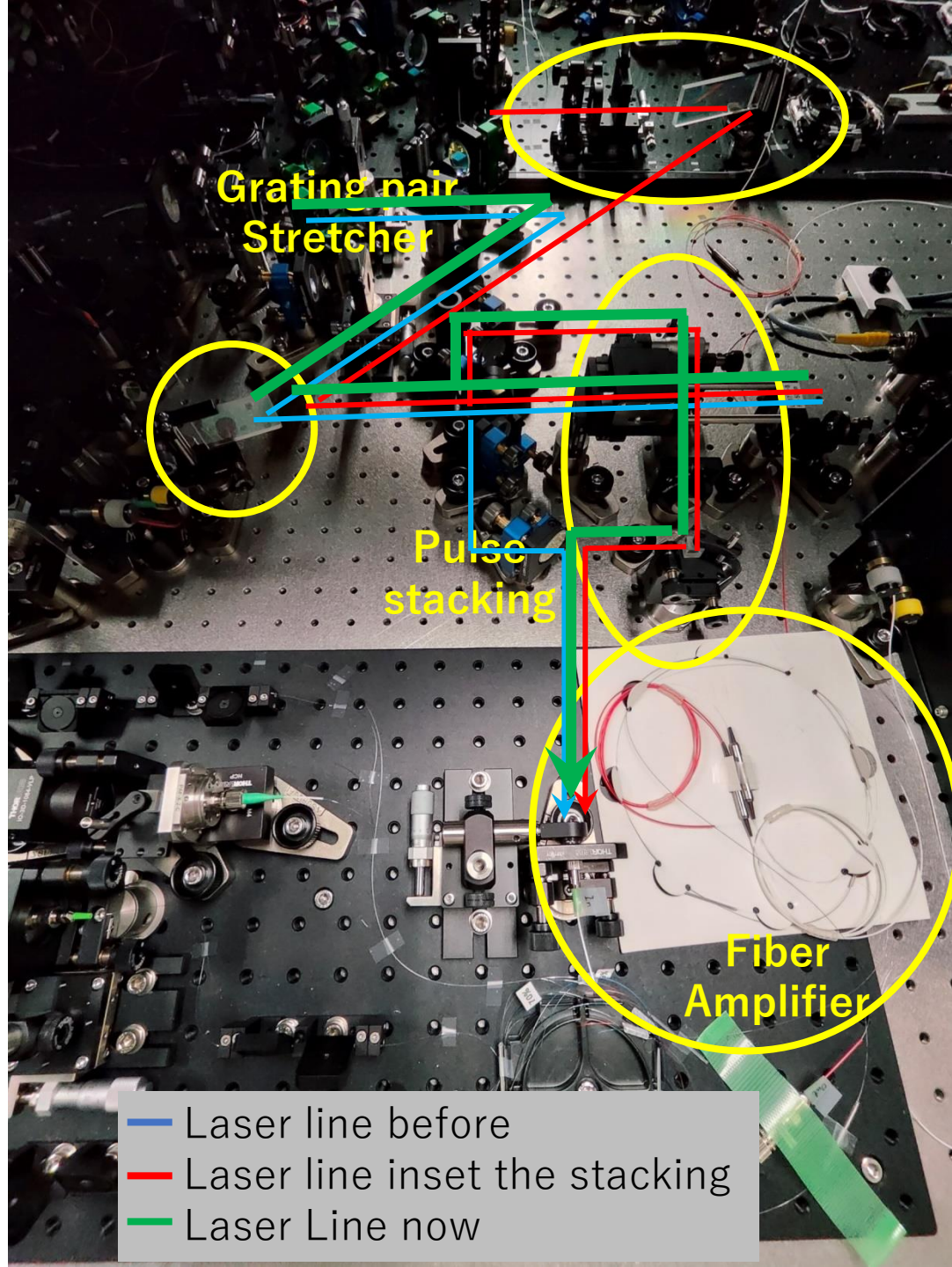
e- beam issue

- Long term operation for keeping e- bunch charge is very important issue.
- Continuous beam test at e- beam repetition of 22 Hz has been conducted more than 5 days.
- Installed ion pump could help to mitigate the laser window degradation from the experimental results.
- This test will be continued until the end of this run. Further improvement is also being considered.



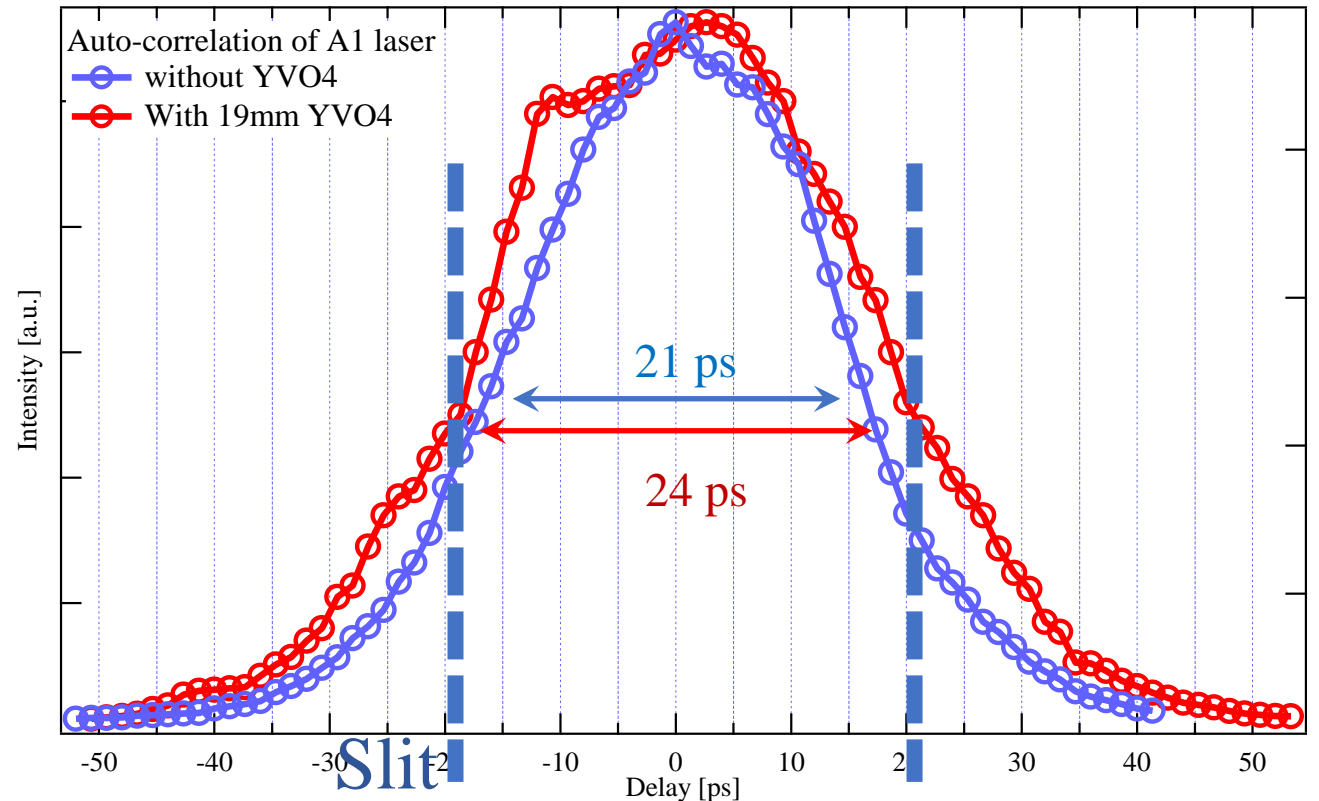
# The Single-stage Pulse Stacking Birefringent Filter



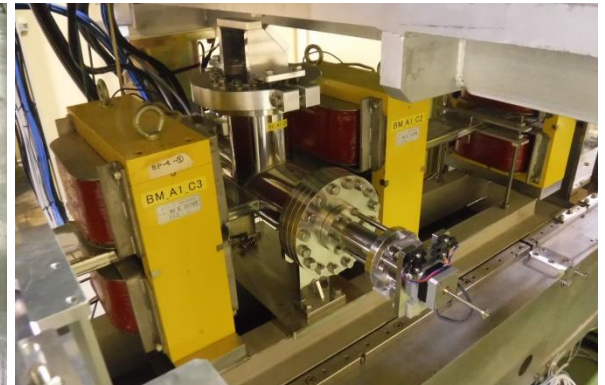
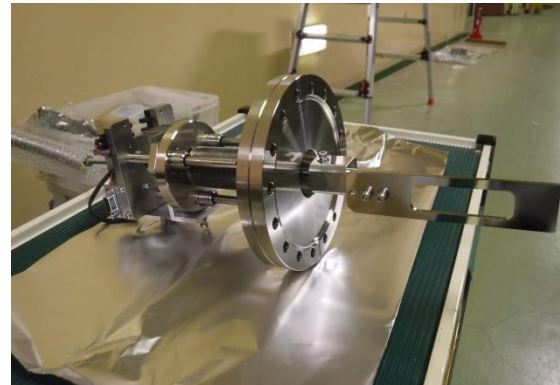
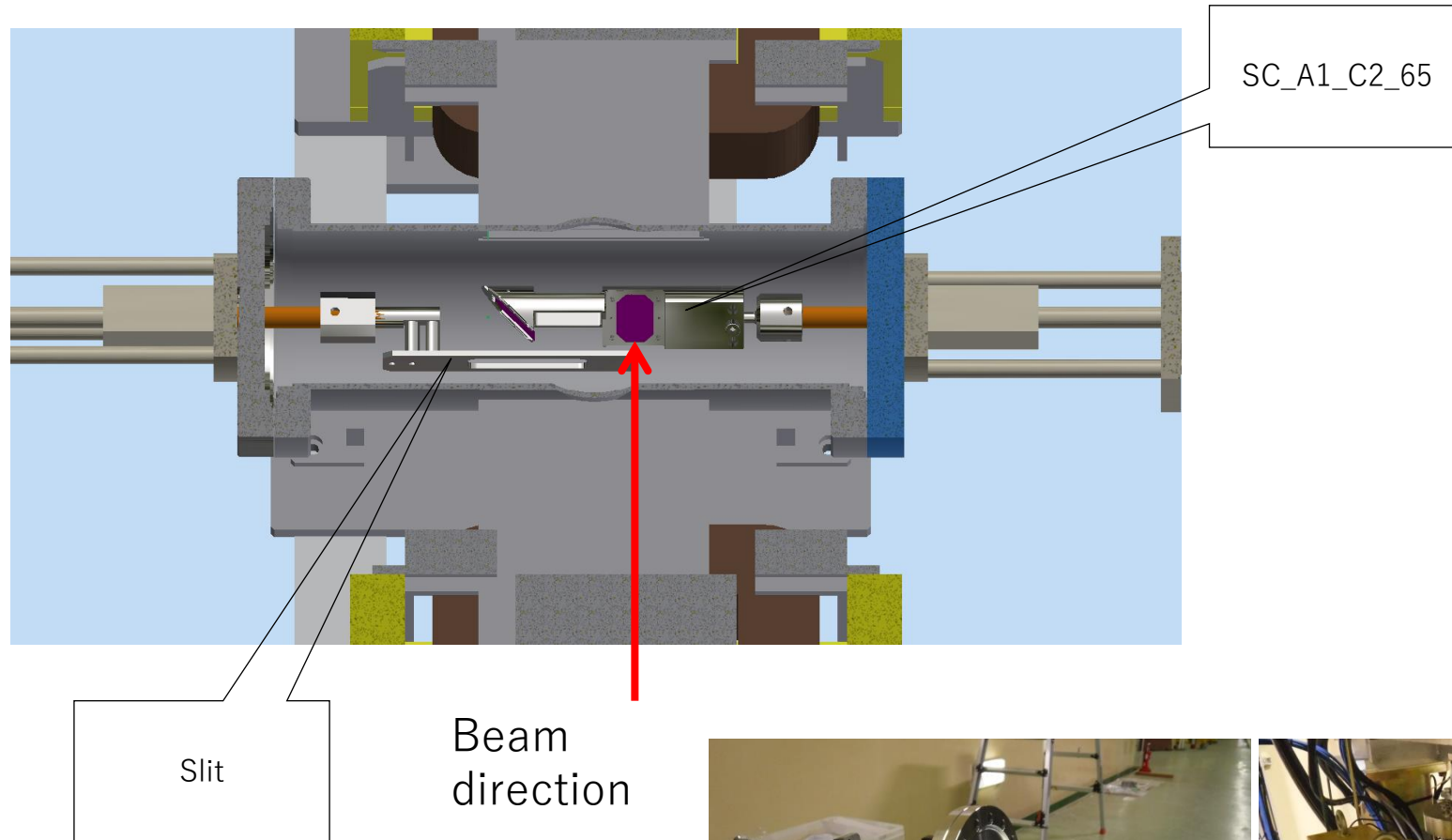


# Setup diagram

- The new fiber amplifier compensate the energy loss of the pulse stacking.
- After the modification, there is no impact on main laser amplification efficiency and electron generation rate.
- Due to the optical path expansion, it is necessary to adjust the phase delay of the SOA pulse picker and EO pulse picker.
- For double bunch amplification, the efficiency of the second pulse is reduced.

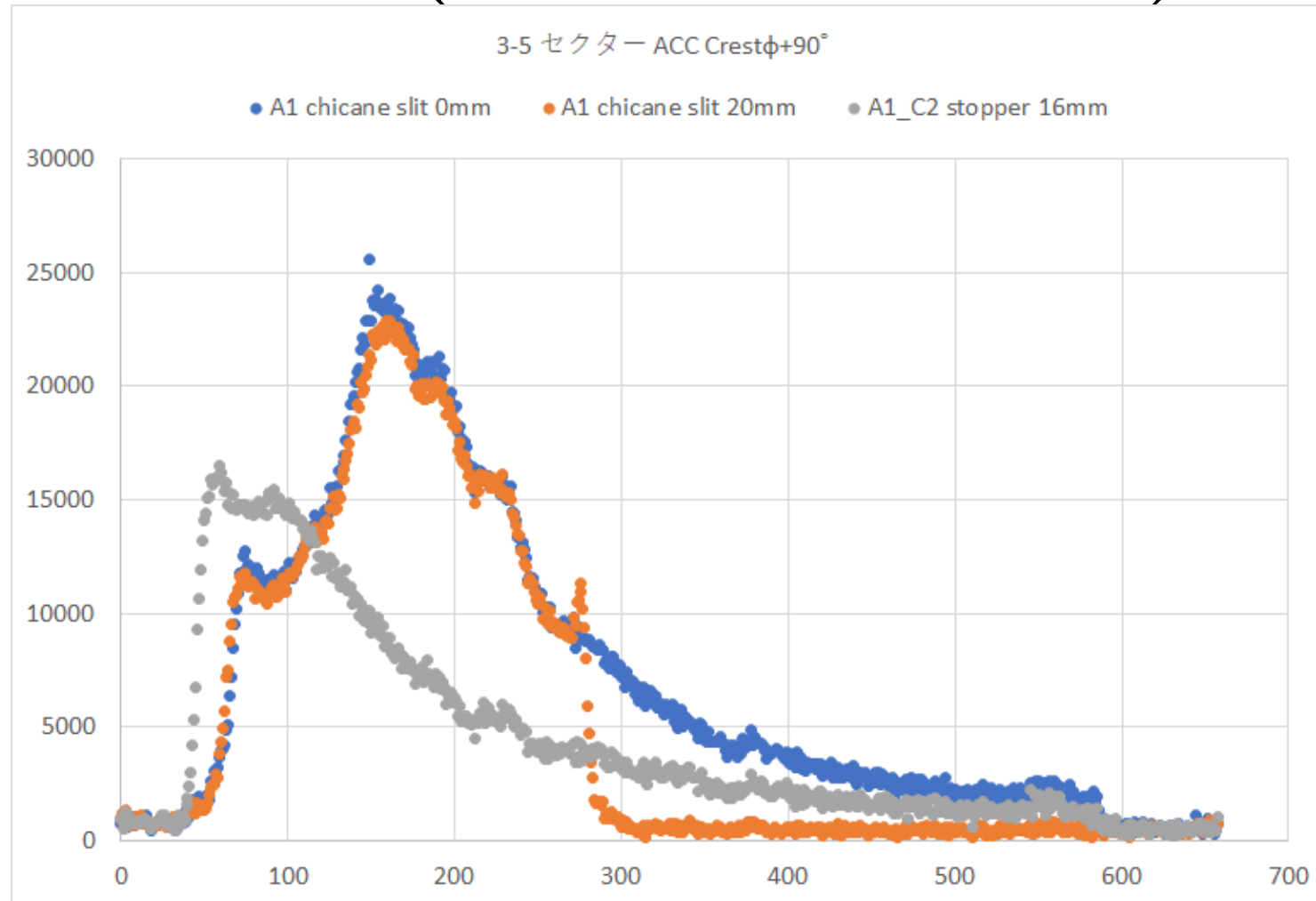


# Chicane slit

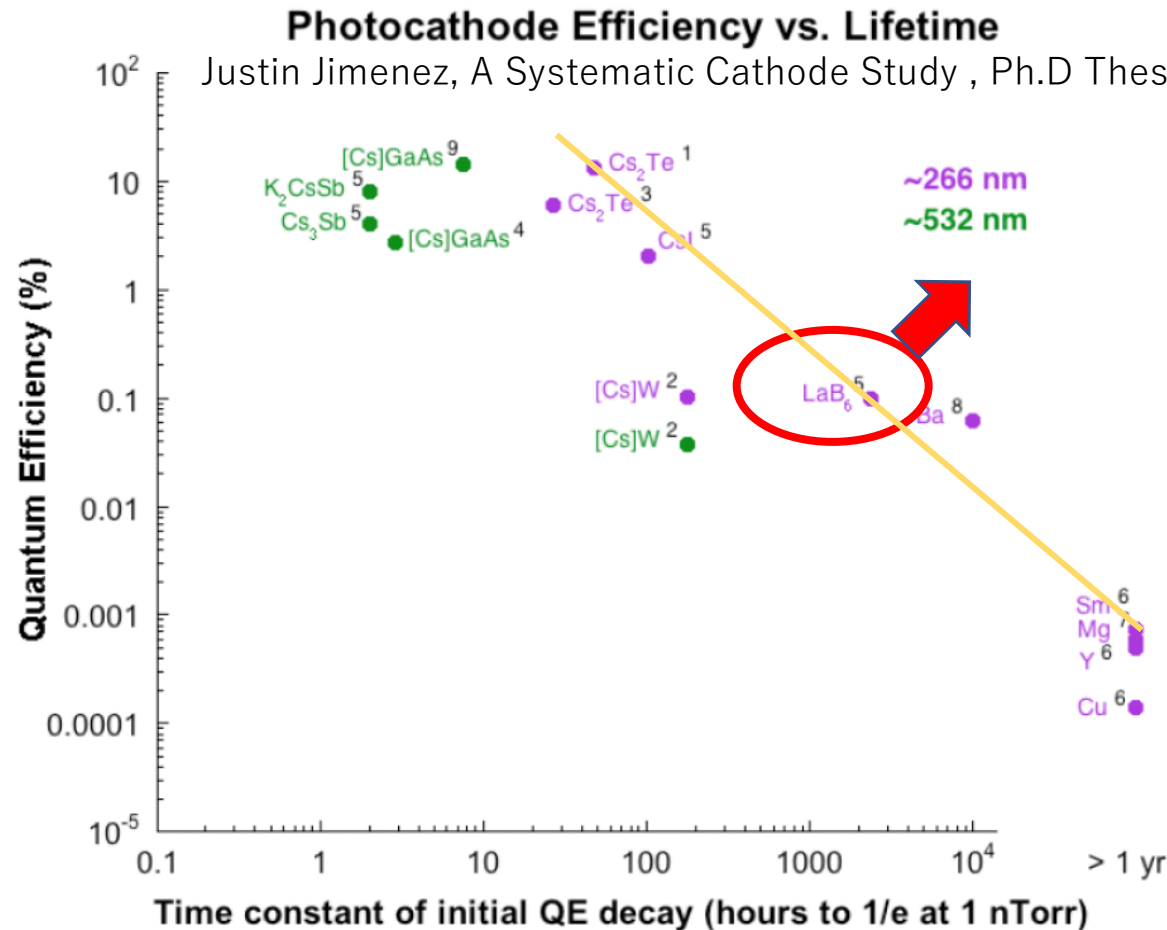




# 61 H (SB-3 $\sim$ 5 +90 $^{\circ}$ )



# Cathode : Advantage of metal composite cathode ( $\text{LaB}_6$ or $\text{Ir}_5\text{Ce}$ )



- Low Workfunction (2.8 eV) and enough QE ( $10^{-4}$ ) at room temperature.
- Inactive in air
- Recover by heating or laser cleaning

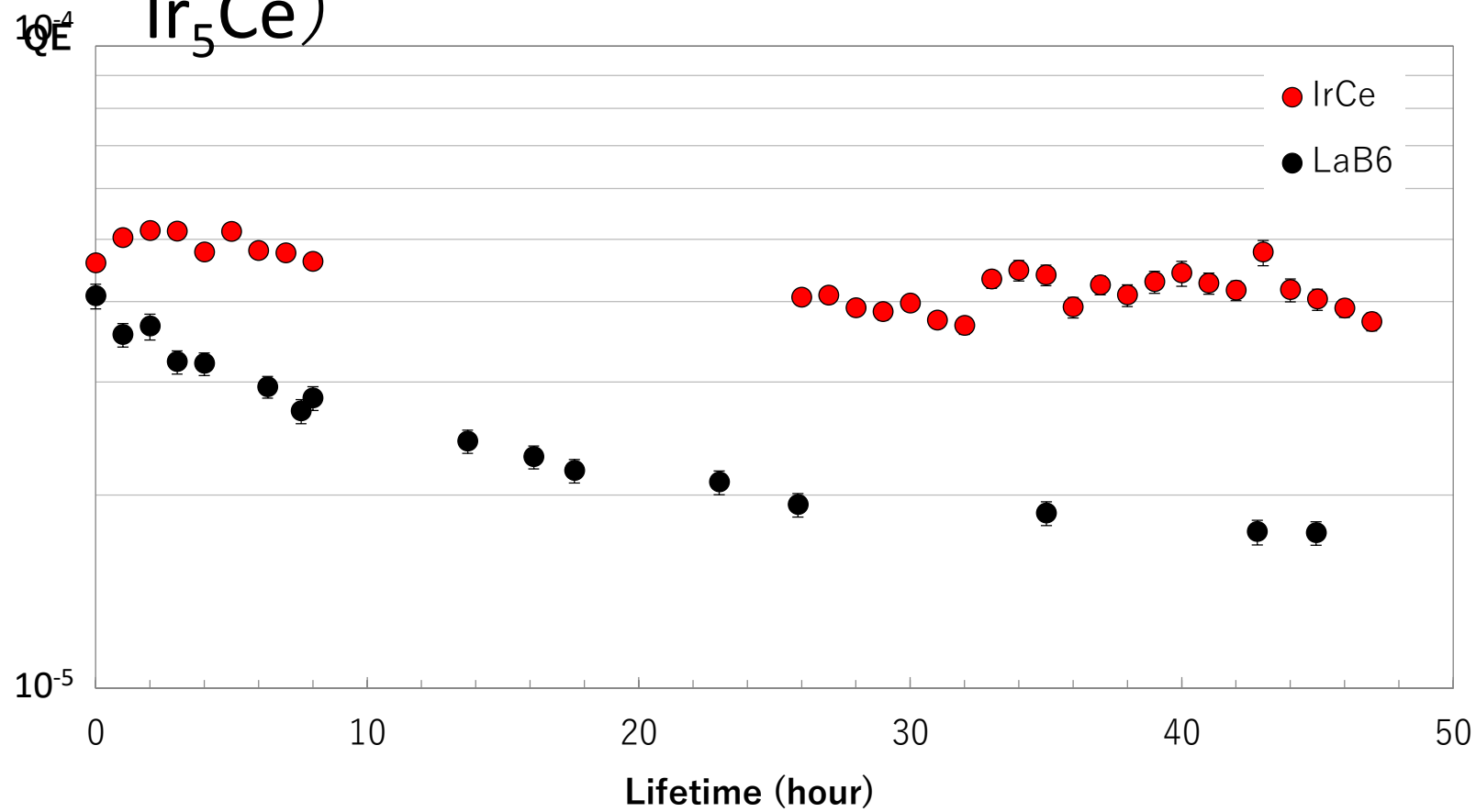
**Best choice  
for SuperKEKB 5 nC  
long time operation**

The thermocathodes can also be used as photoemitters [13].  $\text{LaB}_6$  should be noted as a promising photoemitter [14], which has a quantum yield of about  $10^{-3}$  at a laser wavelength of 266 nm and  $4 \cdot 10^{-4}$  at 532 nm for face (100).

Physica Scripta. Vol. T71, 39-45, 1997.

**Cathodes for Electron Guns**  
G. I. Kuznetsov

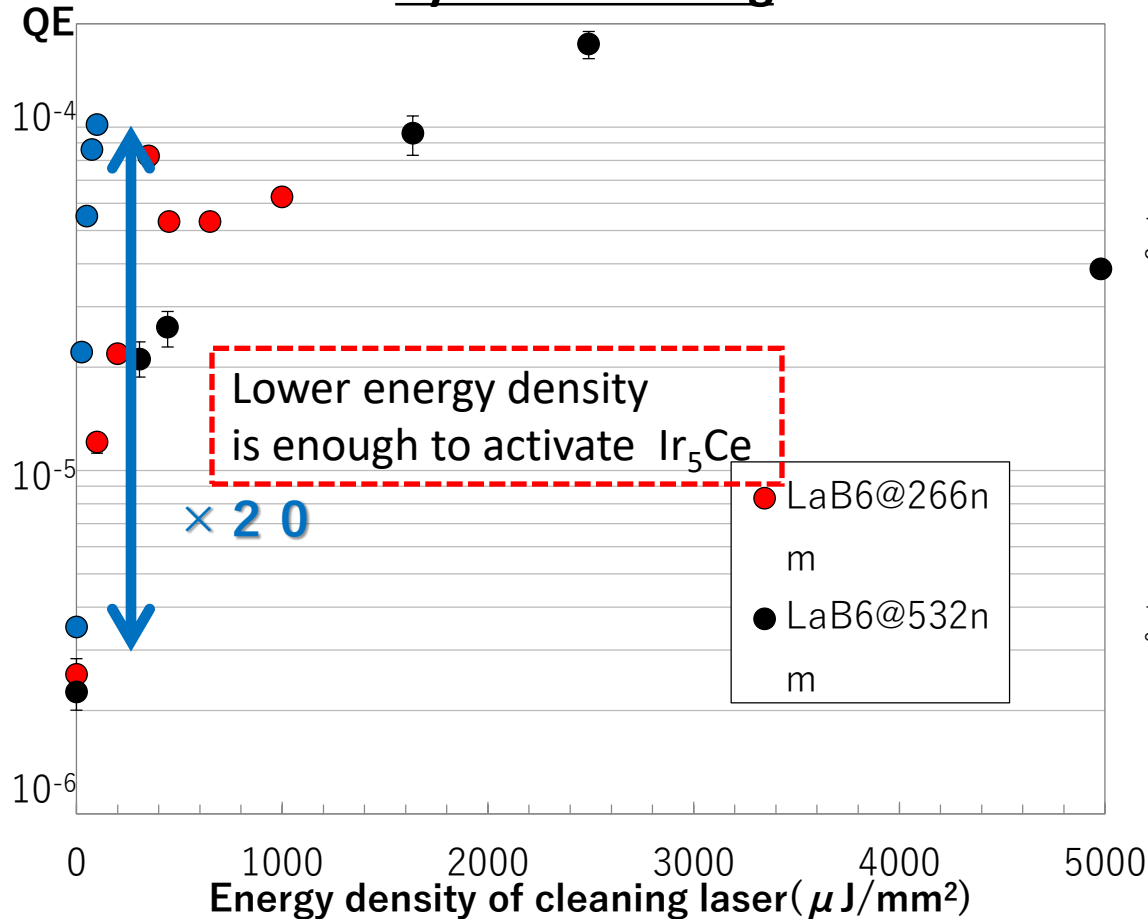
# Lifetime measurement ( $\text{LaB}_6$ / $\text{Ir}_5\text{Ce}$ )



**Condition**  
 Continuous  $n$  (10  $\mu\text{J}$  @ 266 nm)  
 Irradiation  $\Rightarrow$  2.5 nC emission

# Ir<sub>5</sub>Ce Cathode

## Quantum efficiency improvement by Laser cleaning

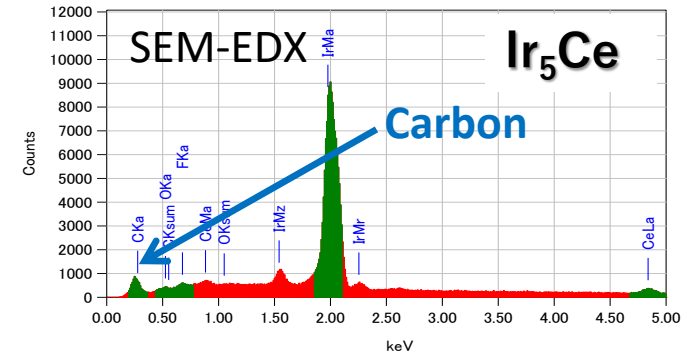
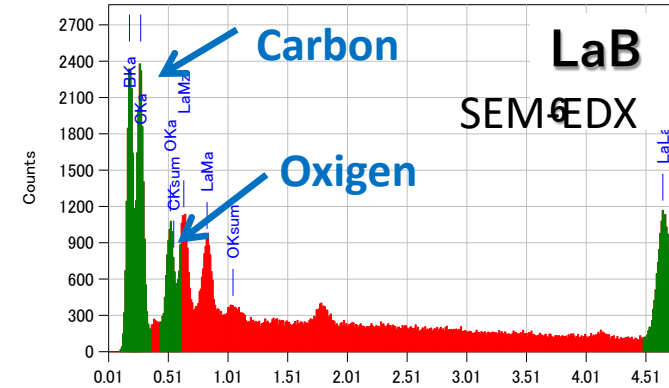


Non activation  
QE =  $5.00 \times 10^{-6}$

× 20

Laser cleaning  
Max QE =  $1.00 \times 10^{-4}$

HV = **Condition**  
Vacu **n**  $10^{-6}$  Pa  
Cleaning time ; 10 min



No oxidation is observed

[SUPER-KEKB e Linac]  
Laser Power ; **233 μJ/pulse**  
( $\lambda=266\text{nm}$ )  
Target value ; **5nC**



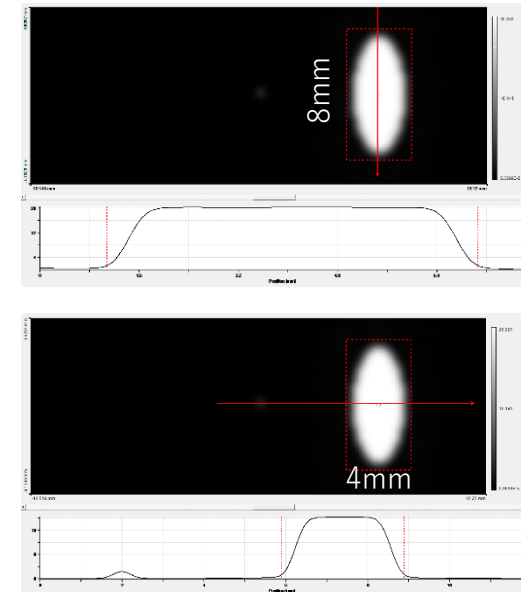
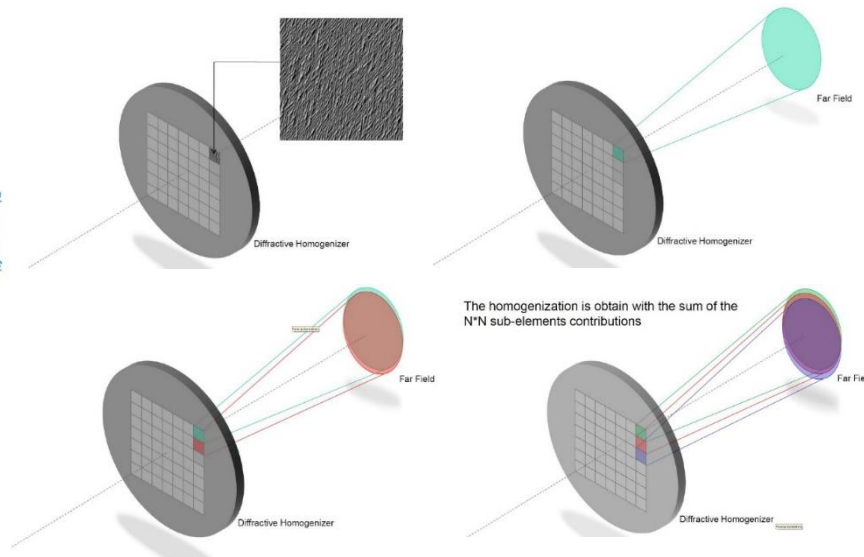
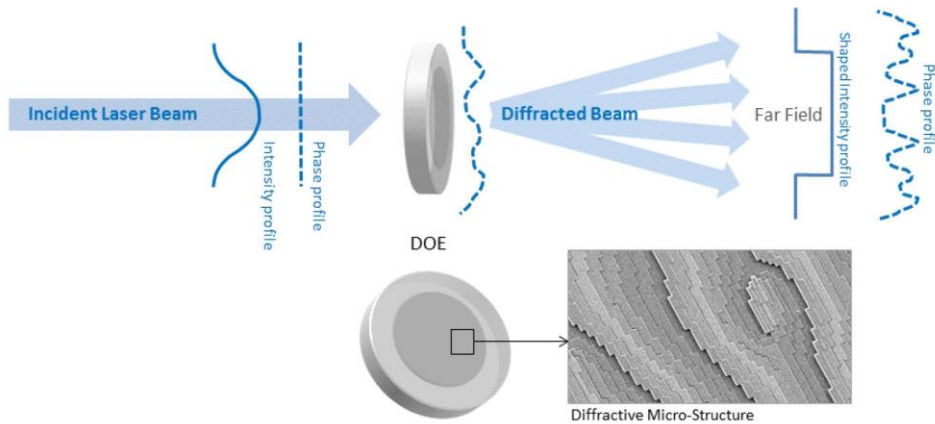
# Laser System for RF Gun

Spatial Reshaping for Lower Emittance by DOE

- Spatial flat top distribution achieved by Diffractive Optical Element (DOE) for high quality  $e^-$  beam generation
- Principle: Diffraction optics by lens and micro-configuration
- Desired intensity distribution can be realized (phase coding)
- World's first application of DOE for UV laser

## DOE Basics : principle

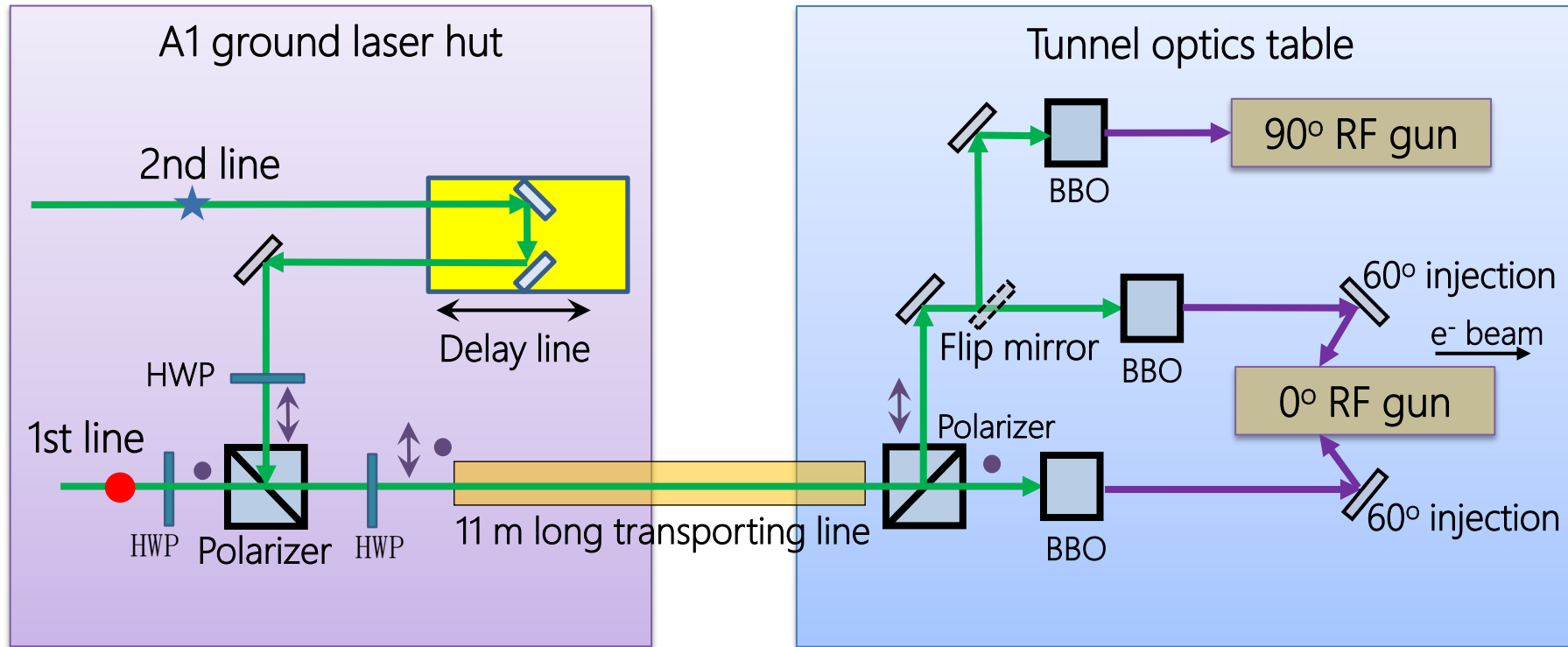
Example : Conversion Gaussian to Top-Hat profile



# Laser System for RF Gun

Two Laser Beams Injection Mode for Better Beam Quality

Simple illustration for 2 lasers incidence (out of ratio)

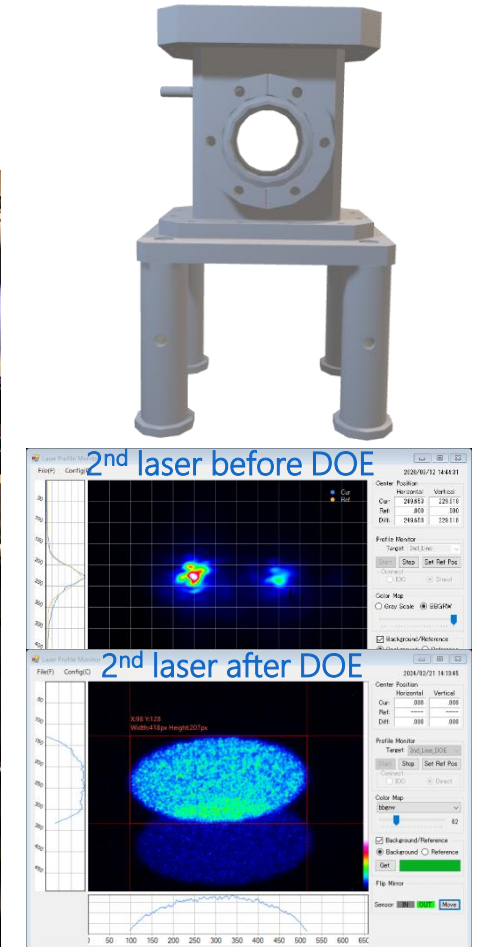
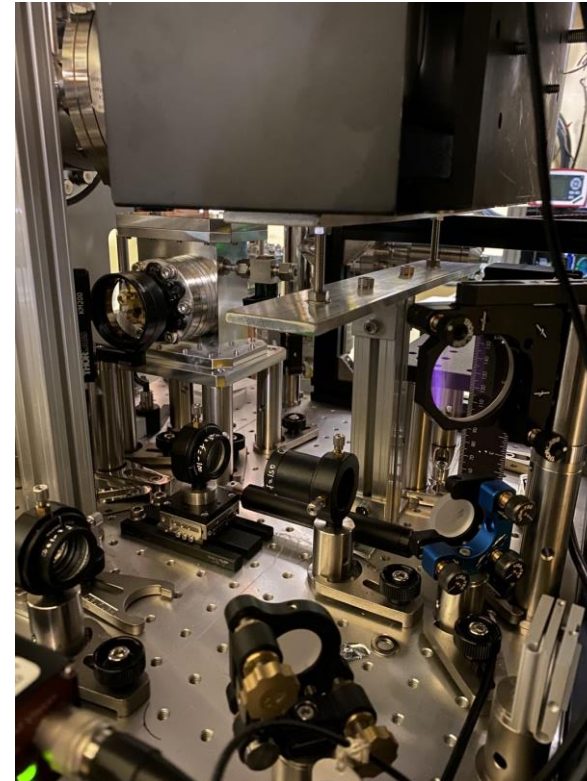
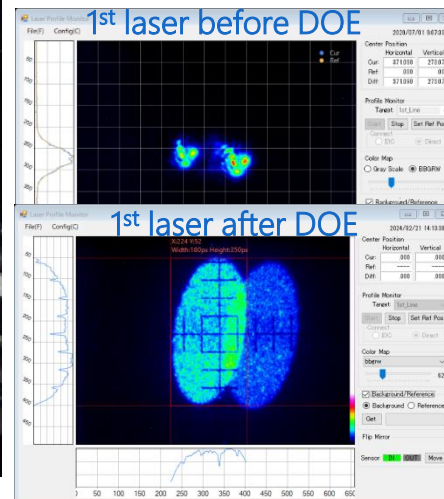
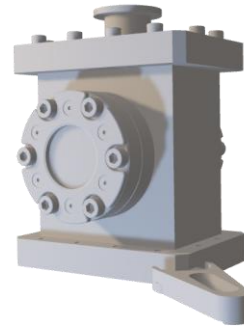
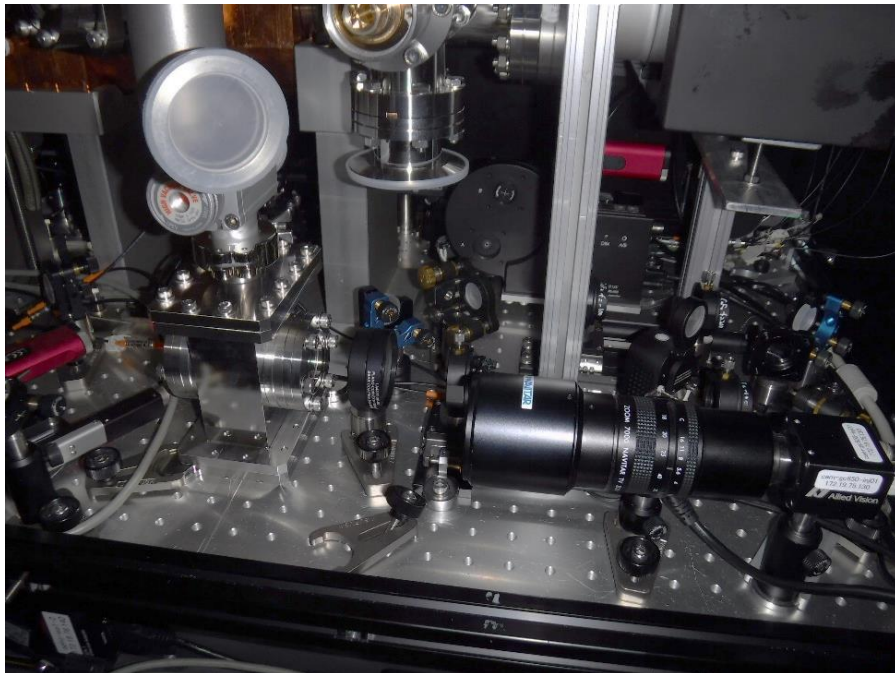


- Laser with vertical polarization, ↕ laser with horizontal polarization, HWP: half wave plate

# Laser System for RF Gun

Spatial Reshaping for Lower Emittance

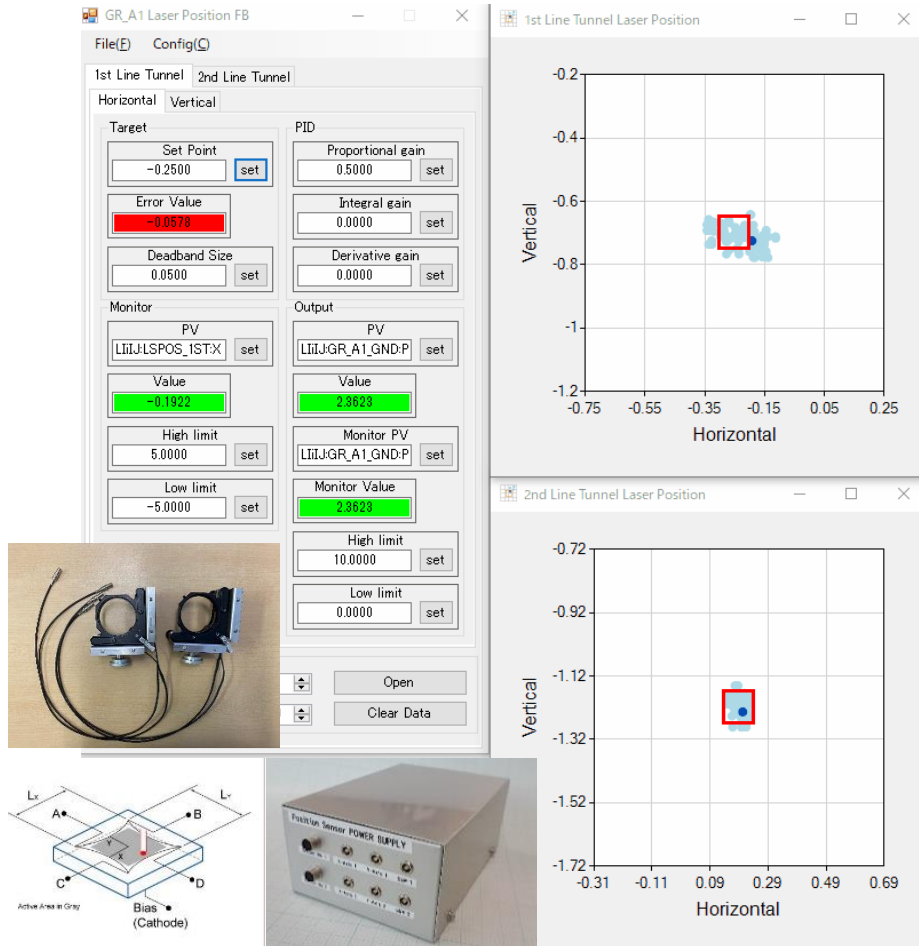
- Application DOE in 1<sup>st</sup> laser line from 2020c and in 2<sup>nd</sup> laser line from 2021c
- Elliptical flat-top spatial distribution on the surface of photocathode (LA-8mm SA-4mm) for lower emittance  $e^-$  generation and less discharge



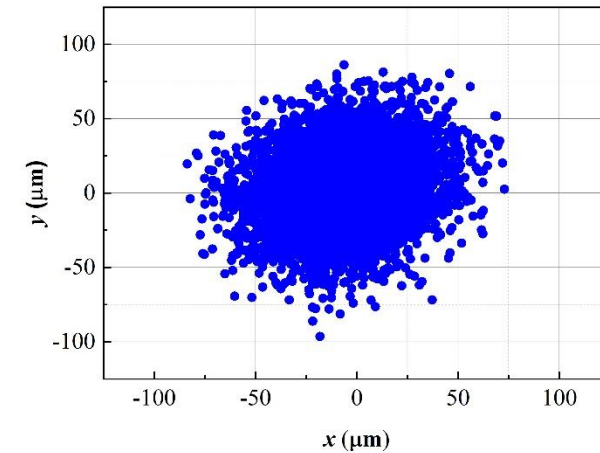
# Laser System for RF Gun

Better Laser Pointing Stability for Stable and Long-term Operation

## Laser position feedback system

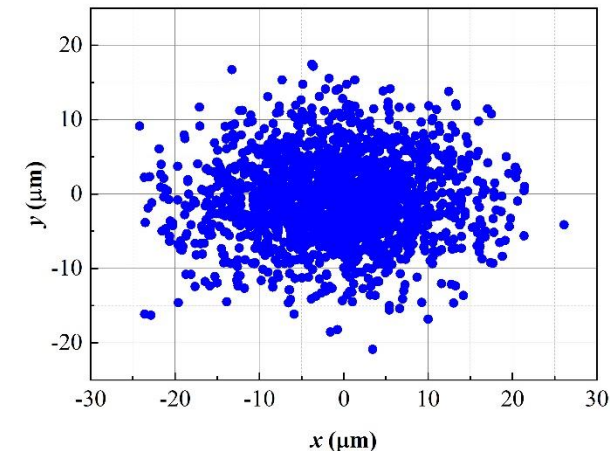


## Laser pointing stability at virtual photocathode



Measured in 2019.06  
without DOE & laser  
position feedback

H  $2\sigma$ :  $48.04 \pm 0.51 \mu\text{m}$   
V  $2\sigma$ :  $46.08 \pm 0.69 \mu\text{m}$



Measured in 2021.06  
with DOE & laser  
position feedback

H  $2\sigma$ :  $24.30 \pm 3.06 \mu\text{m}$   
V  $2\sigma$ :  $10.08 \pm 0.46 \mu\text{m}$