

# Комптоновские источники для экспериментов по нелинейной квантовой электродинамике

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# Основная идея

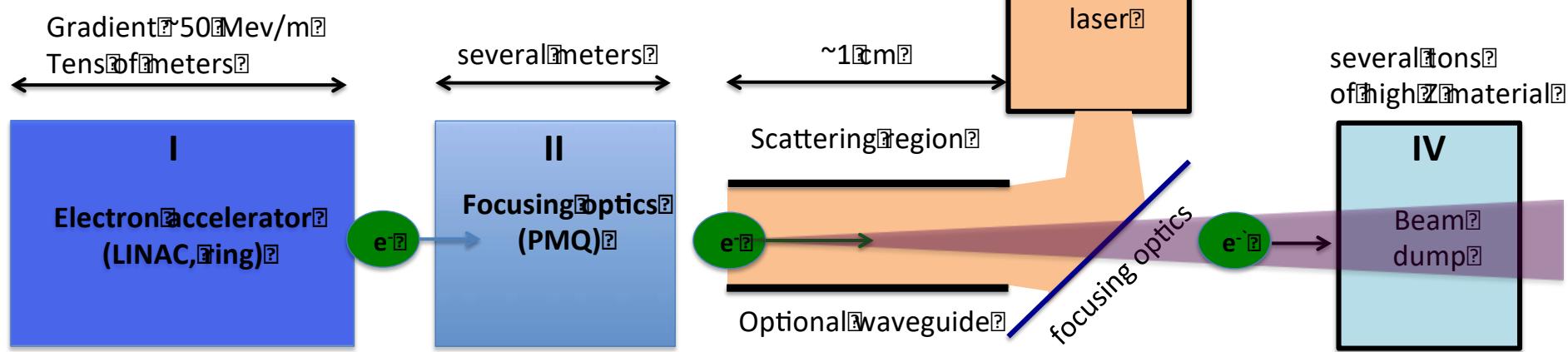
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Размещение мощного (мульти-тераваттного / петаваттного) лазера рядом с ускорителем для комптоновского источника:

- Значительное увеличение выхода комптоновских фотонов за счет нелинейности
- Фундаментальные эксперименты по нелинейной КЭД

# Typical schematics of the ICS source

HiGS @ Duke uni (ring)  
LynceanTech (ring)  
MEGa-ray (linac)

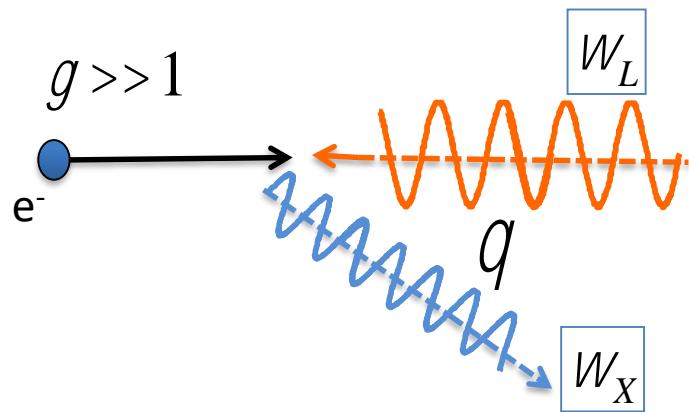


# Nonlinear Compton Scattering can increase photon yield by several orders of magnitude

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- All contemporary sources are based on linear Compton Scattering (1 electron scattered on 1 photon)
- “Weak” laser pulses are used  $a_0 \leq 0.01$
- Nonlinear Compton Scattering ( $a_0 \sim 1$ ) (theoretically) allows to increase photon yield by several orders of magnitude
- **Next we will discuss Nonlinear Compton Scattering and methods to significantly increase the photon yield independent of accelerator system**

# Nonlinear ICS



no restriction on  $a_0$   
electron is „dressed“ by the laser pulse

Linear:  $\hbar\omega_L + \varepsilon_e = \hbar\omega_X + \varepsilon'_e$

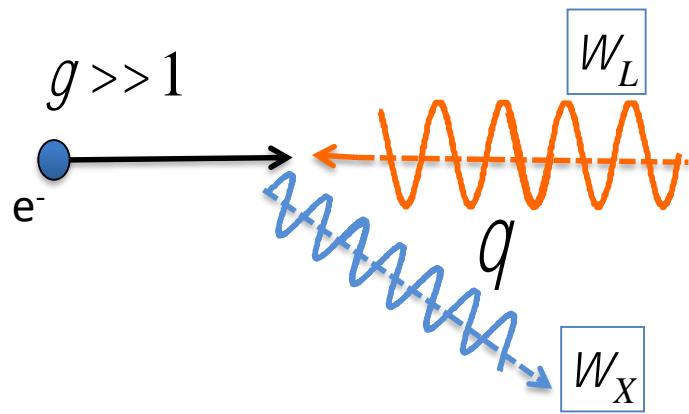
Energy-momentum  
conservation

Non-Linear:  $n\hbar\omega_L + \tilde{\varepsilon}_e = \hbar\omega_X + \tilde{\varepsilon}'_e$

Energy-momentum  
conservation + angular  
momentum conservation

- Generation of harmonics (same as in magnetic undulator)
- Harmonics can carry well-defined Orbital Angular Momentum (OAM)

# Nonlinear ICS



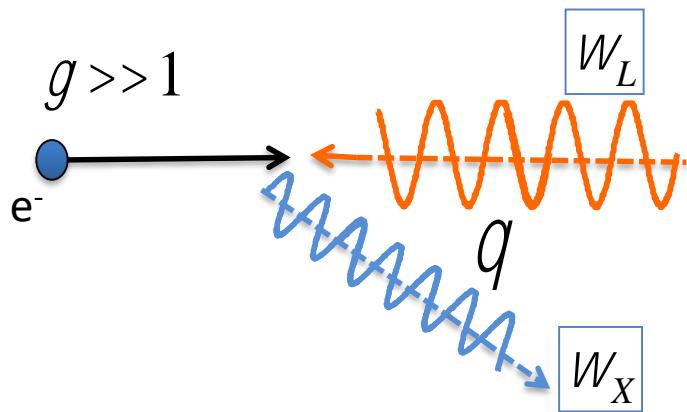
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$$\hbar\omega_X = \frac{4\gamma^2\hbar\omega_L}{1 + \gamma^2\theta^2 + a_0^2}$$

Total photon yield in natural bandwidth:

$$N_X = N_e \rho a \frac{a_0^2}{1 + a_0^2}$$

# Nonlinear ICS

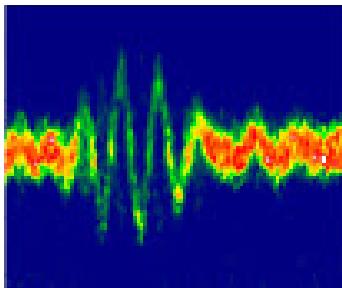


no restriction on  $a_0$   
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$$\hbar\omega_x = \frac{4\gamma^2\hbar\omega_L}{1 + \gamma^2\theta^2 + a^2(t)}$$

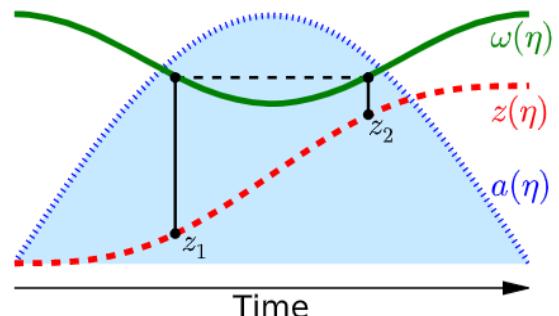
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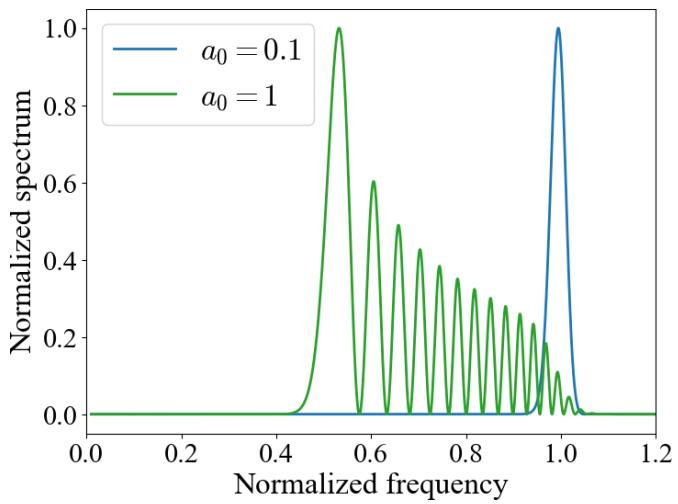


- Laser pulses ramp on and off smoothly --> time-dependent laser pressure
- Lorentz gamma factor becomes a function of time  $\gamma(t)$
- Generated frequency:  $W_X(t) = 4g^2(t)W_L$

## Ponderomotive broadening

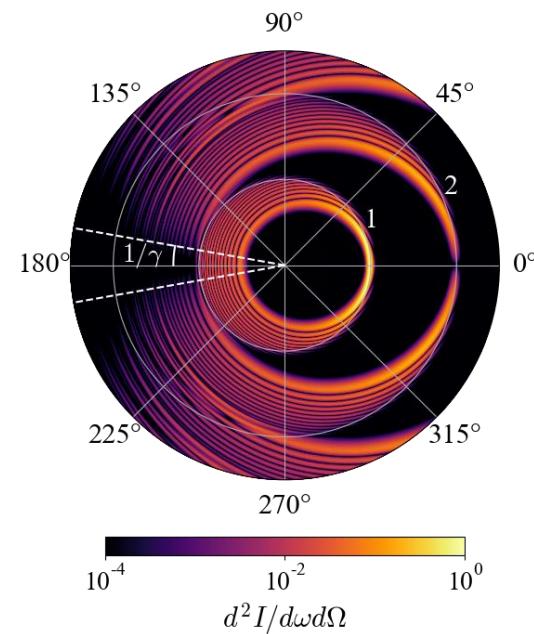


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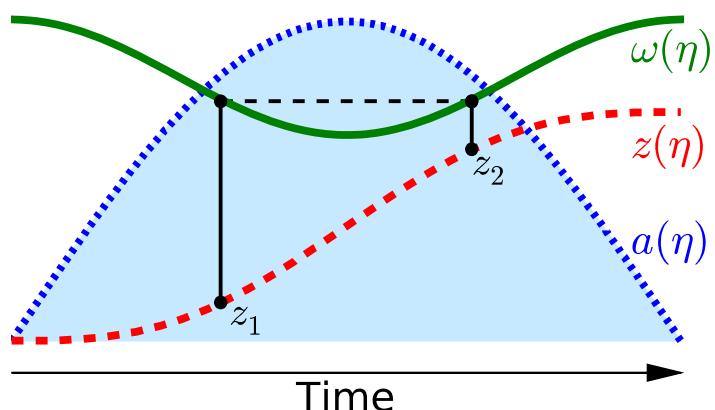


$$\omega_n(\eta) = \frac{4\gamma^2 n \omega_0}{1 + a(\eta)^2/2}$$

Ponderomotive broadening destroys the monochromaticity of Compton photon source and severely limits its applicability



# Proper nonlinear chirping



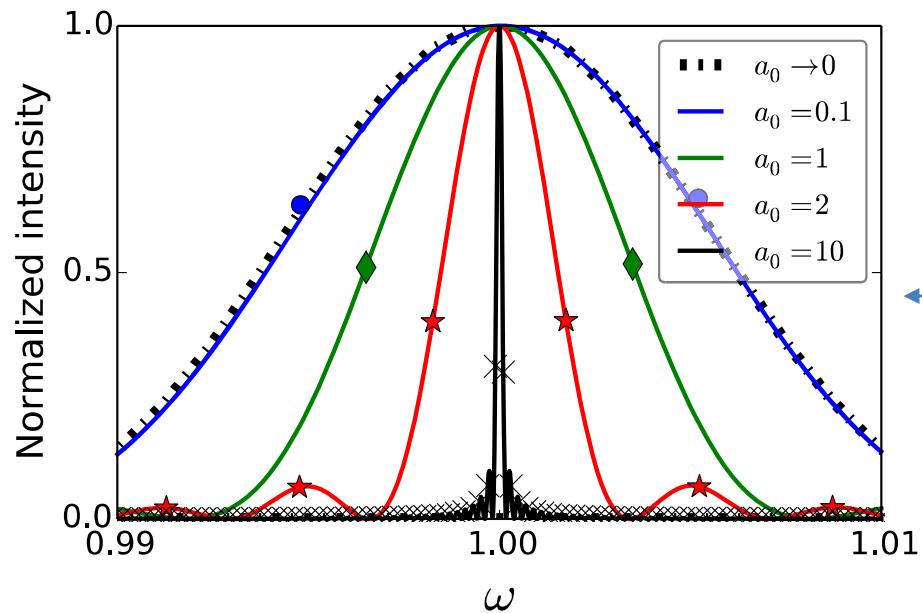
If laser frequency is constant, the generated frequency is given by:

$$\omega(\eta) = \frac{4\gamma^2\omega_L}{1 + a^2(\eta)}$$

Why don't we chirp the pulse to exactly compensate the ponderomotive broadening:

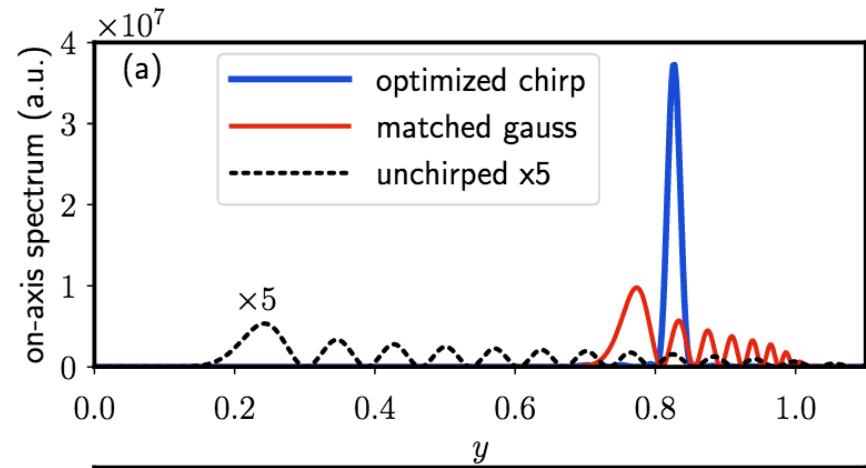
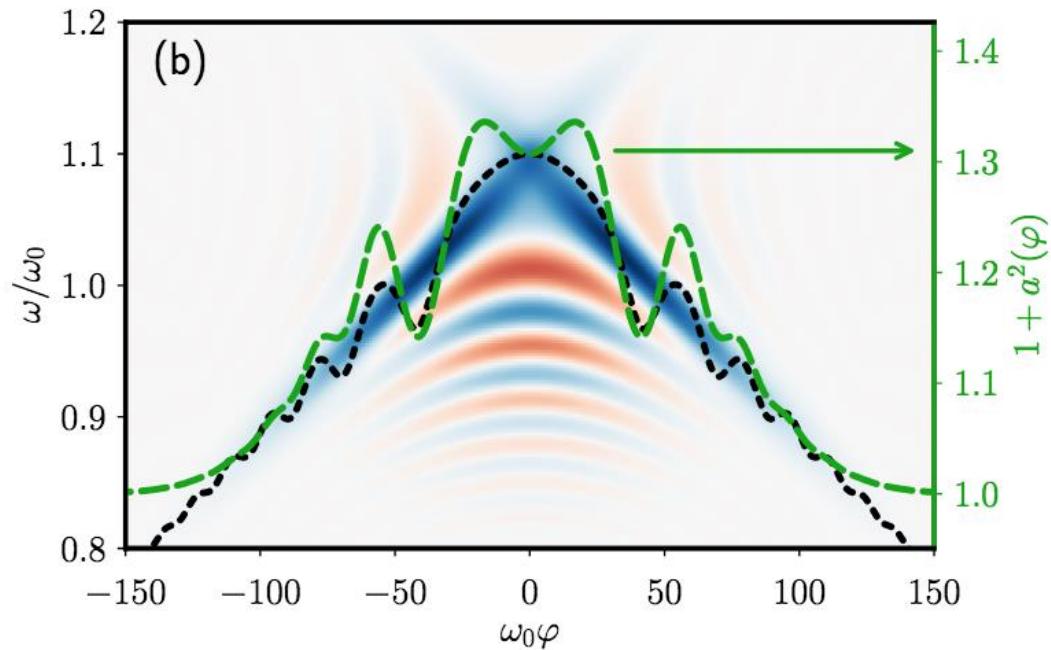
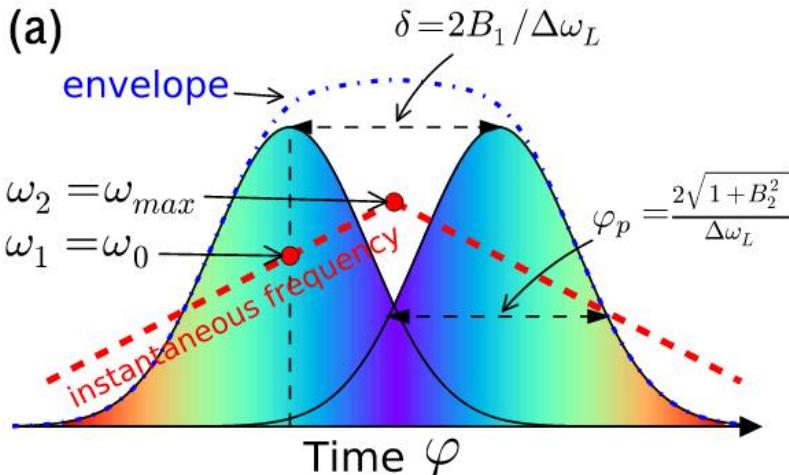
$$\omega(\eta) = \frac{4\gamma^2\omega_L(\eta)}{1 + a^2(\eta)} = \frac{4\gamma^2\omega_0 (1 + a^2(\eta))}{1 + a^2(\eta)}$$

← backscattered spectrum



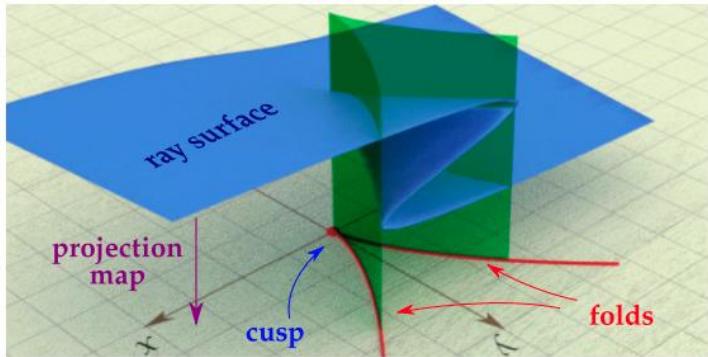
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# Two oppositely chirped laser pulses



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Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 204802 (2019)

# Theory of singularities of differentiable projection maps (catastrophe theory)

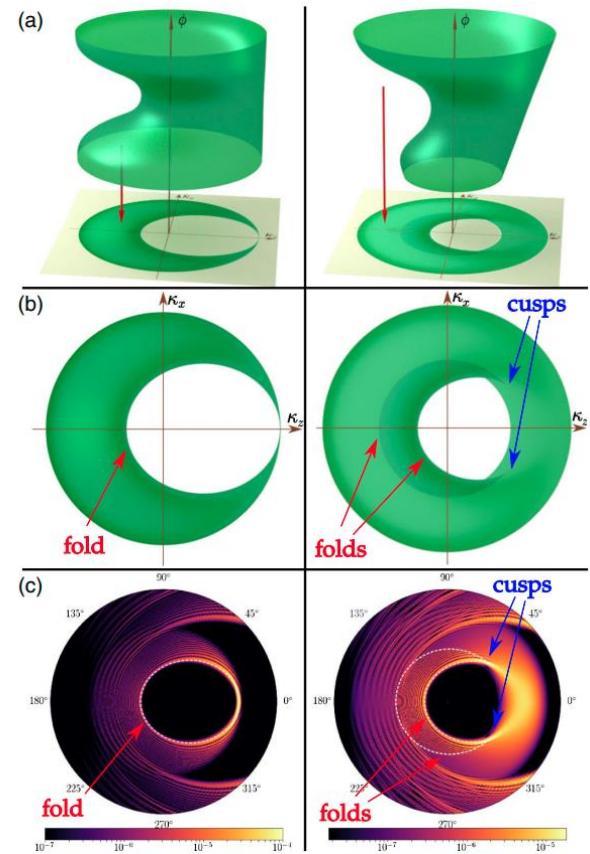


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$$\frac{d^2I}{d\omega d\Omega} = \kappa \frac{\omega^2}{4\pi^2} \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\phi \ \mathbf{n} \times [\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{u}] e^{i\omega(\phi+z-\mathbf{n}\cdot\mathbf{r})} \right|^2$$

Apply catastrophe theory to the stationary phase picture.

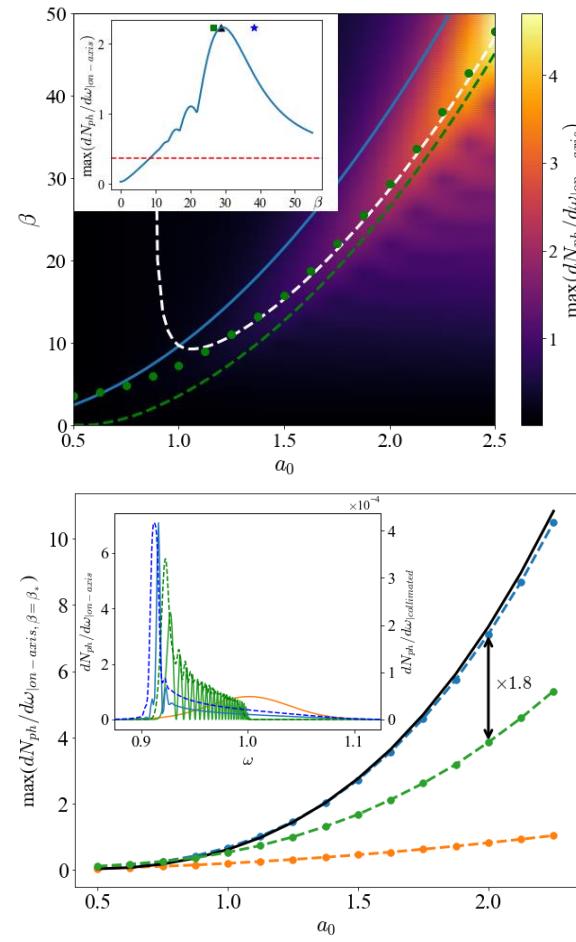
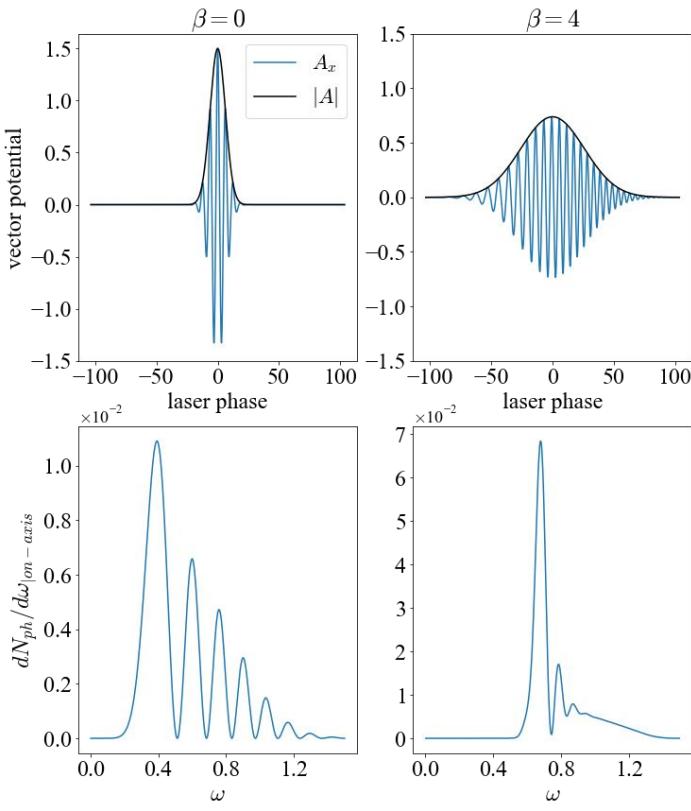
Narrow spectral peaks could be found in the vicinity of spectral caustics.



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# Optimal linear chirp in the spectral domain

$$\tilde{A}(\omega) = \sqrt{2\pi} a_0 \tau \exp \left[ -\frac{\tau^2}{2} (\omega - \omega_0)^2 (1 - i\beta) \right]$$



$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= 2 \\ \tau &= 6\pi \\ \beta_{opt} &\approx 48 \\ \omega_0 &= 1.55 \text{ eV} \\ \tilde{\tau} &= 8 \text{ fs} \\ \beta^{(2)} &\approx 3072 \text{ fs}^2 \end{aligned}$$

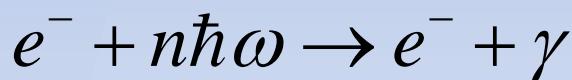
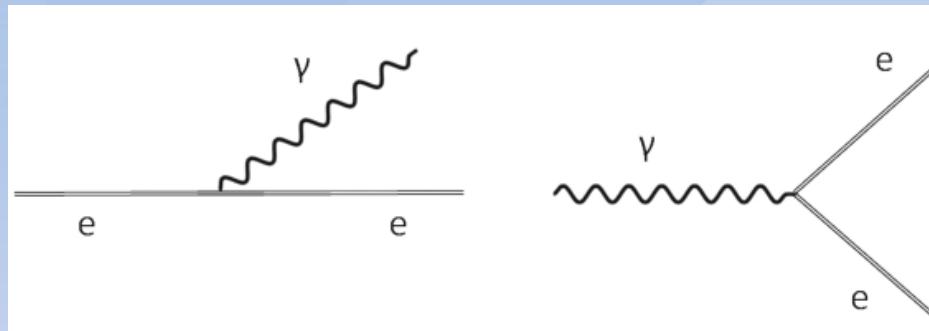
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# Увеличение выхода фотонов

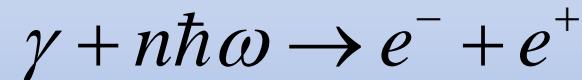
- Весьма нехитрыми (линейными) манипуляциями со спектром лазерных импульсов мультитераваттных и петаваттных систем можно **на несколько порядков** увеличить выход комптоновских фотонов по сравнению с линейным режимом
  - Минус: малая скважность (repetition rate)
  - Плюс: большая яркость в одном выстреле

# НЕЛИНЕЙНОЕ КОМПТОНОВСКОЕ РАССЕЯНИЕ: ОСНОВНЫЕ ПАРАМЕТРЫ

$$a_0 = \frac{eE}{mc\omega_L} \propto \sqrt{I_L}$$
 нормированная напряженность лазерного поля



излучение фотонов (комптоновское рассеяние)



фоторождение пар

$a_0 > 1$  ( $n >> 1$ ) – нелинейный режим комптоновского рассеяния

$$\chi_{e,ph} = \frac{1}{a_S} \sqrt{(\varepsilon_{e,ph} \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{p}_{e,ph} \times \mathbf{B})^2 - (\mathbf{p}_{e,ph} \cdot \mathbf{E})^2}$$

$\chi > 1$  – квантовый режим (эффект отдачи и зависимость от спина)

# НЕЛИНЕЙНОЕ КОМПТОНОВСКОЕ РАССЕЯНИЕ: ЭКСПЕРИМЕНТАЛЬНЫЕ ИССЛЕДОВАНИЯ

## SLAC E144 ЭКСПЕРИМЕНТ

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### Positron Production in Multiphoton Light-by-Light Scattering

D. L. Burke, R. C. Field, G. Horton-Smith, J. E. Spencer, and D. Walz

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A signal of  $\sim 10^6$  positrons above background has been observed in collisions of a low-emittance 46.6 GeV electron beam with terawatt pulses from a Nd:glass laser at 527 nm wavelength in an experiment at the Final Focus Test Beam at SLAC.

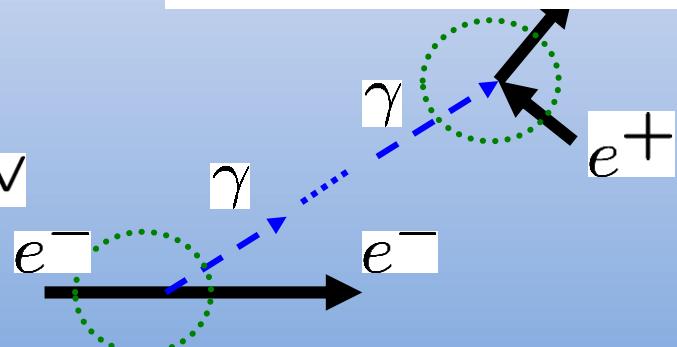
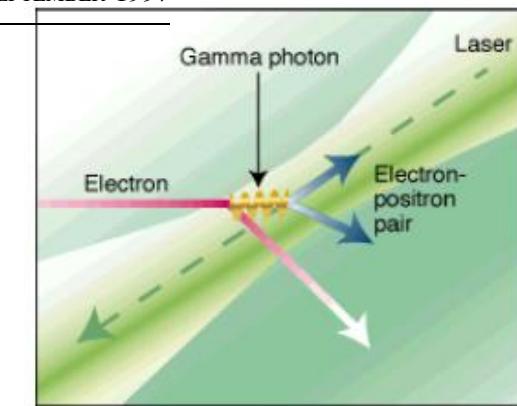
Laser:

$$\lambda = 0.527 \mu\text{m}$$

$$I \approx 1.3 \times 10^{18} \text{ W/cm}^2 \quad \varepsilon_\gamma = 29.2 \text{ GeV}$$

$$N_{e^+}/\text{lasershot} \approx 0.2$$

*$a_0 \sim < 1$ , слабонелинейный  
режим*



D.L.Burke, *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **79**, 1626 (1997).  
C.Bamber, *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D **60**, 092004(1999).

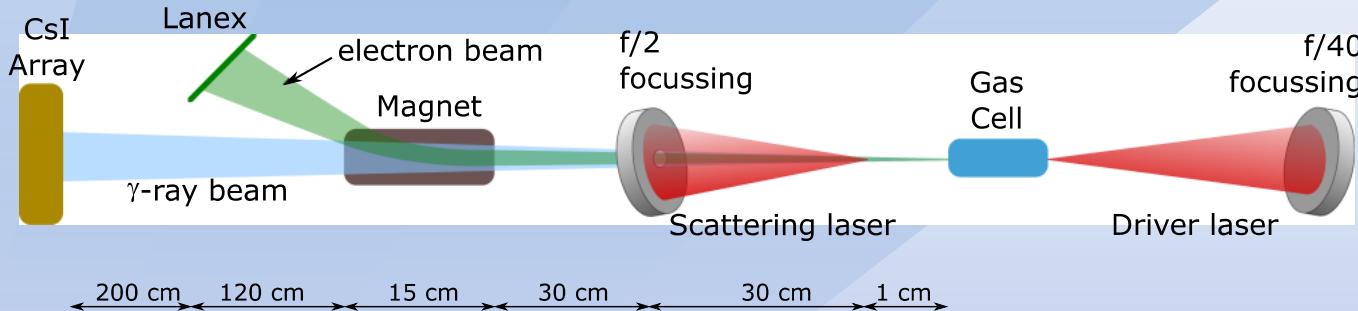
# ЛАЗЕРНО-ПЛАЗМЕННАЯ СХЕМА

PHYSICAL REVIEW X 8, 031004 (2018)

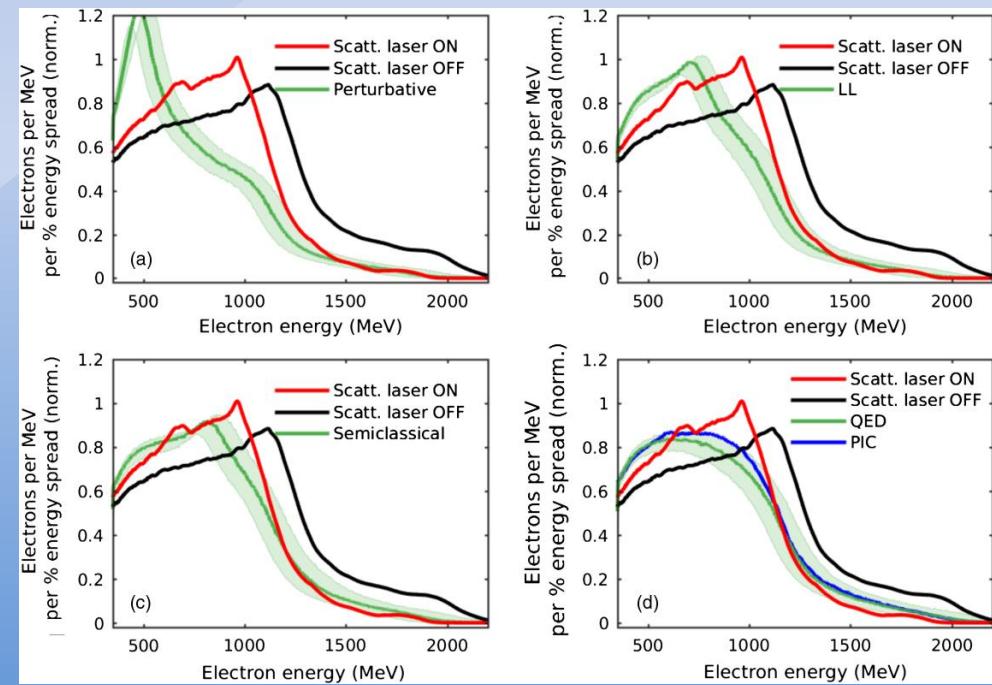
## Experimental Signatures of the Quantum Nature of Radiation Reaction in the Field of an Ultraintense Laser

K. Poder,<sup>1,†</sup> M. Tamburini,<sup>2</sup> G. Sarri,<sup>3,\*</sup> A. Di Piazza,<sup>2</sup> S. Kuschel,<sup>4,5</sup> C. D. Baird,<sup>6</sup> K. Behm,<sup>7</sup> S. Bohlen,<sup>8</sup> J. M. Cole,<sup>1</sup> D. J. Corvan,<sup>3</sup> M. Duff,<sup>9</sup> E. Gerstmayr,<sup>1</sup> C. H. Keitel,<sup>2</sup> K. Krushelnick,<sup>7</sup> S. P. D. Mangles,<sup>1</sup> P. McKenna,<sup>9</sup> C. D. Murphy,<sup>6</sup> Z. Najimudin,<sup>1</sup> C. P. Ridgers,<sup>6</sup> G. M. Samarin,<sup>3</sup> D. R. Symes,<sup>10</sup> A. G. R. Thomas,<sup>7,11</sup> J. Warwick,<sup>3</sup> and M. Zepf<sup>3,5</sup>

(a)



*$a_0 \sim 7$ , нелинейный режим, низкая точность измерений*



# SLAC E320 ПРОЕКТ

## E-320: Probing Strong-field QED at FACET-II

13 ГэВ + 17 ТВт  
FACET-II PAC Meeting

October 28, 2020



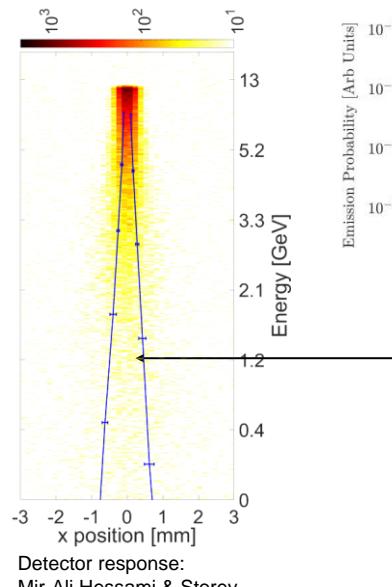
Current simulations: Nielsen  
Initial simulations: Tamburini & Vranic  
Perturbative (E-144 code): Holtzapple

SLAC

Sebastian Meuren  
(for the E-320 collaboration)



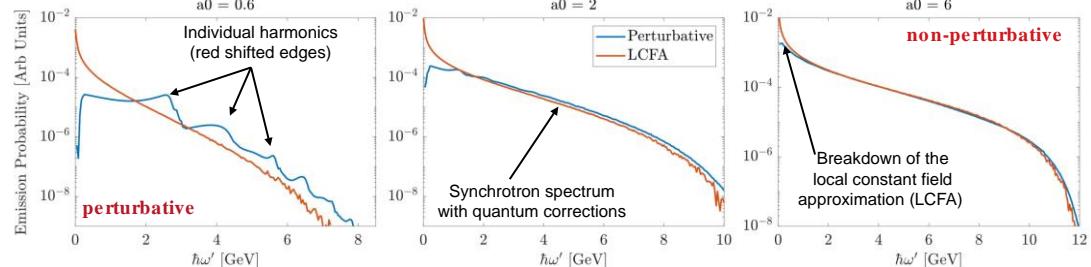
- 2021 (spring): calibrate detectors, measure backgrounds, access perturbative regime:  $a_0 \approx 1$  ( $\sim 10^{18} \text{ W/cm}^2$ )
- 2021 (summer): observe the transition to nonperturbative laser-electron interactions:  $a_0 \approx 5$  ( $\sim 10^{19} \text{ W/cm}^2$ )



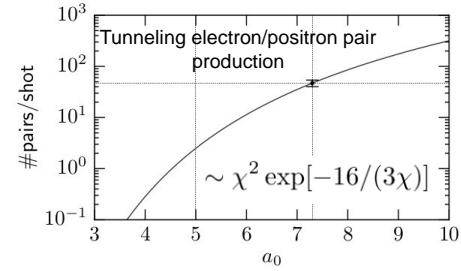
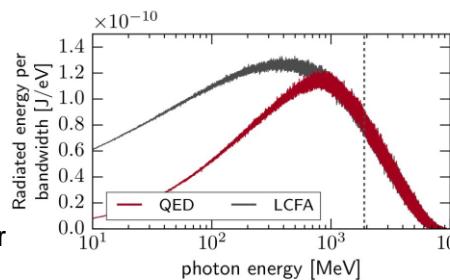
Detector response:  
Mir-Ali Hessami & Storey

- 2022 (spring): LCFA breakdown requires Compton / pair spectrometer  
(Naranjo & Rosenzweig)

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- 2021 (winter): quantum radiation reaction (electrons emitting  $n \approx 5$  photons)
- 2021 (winter): QED vacuum breakdown:  $a_0 \approx 10$  ( $\sim 2 \times 10^{20} \text{ W/cm}^2$ )

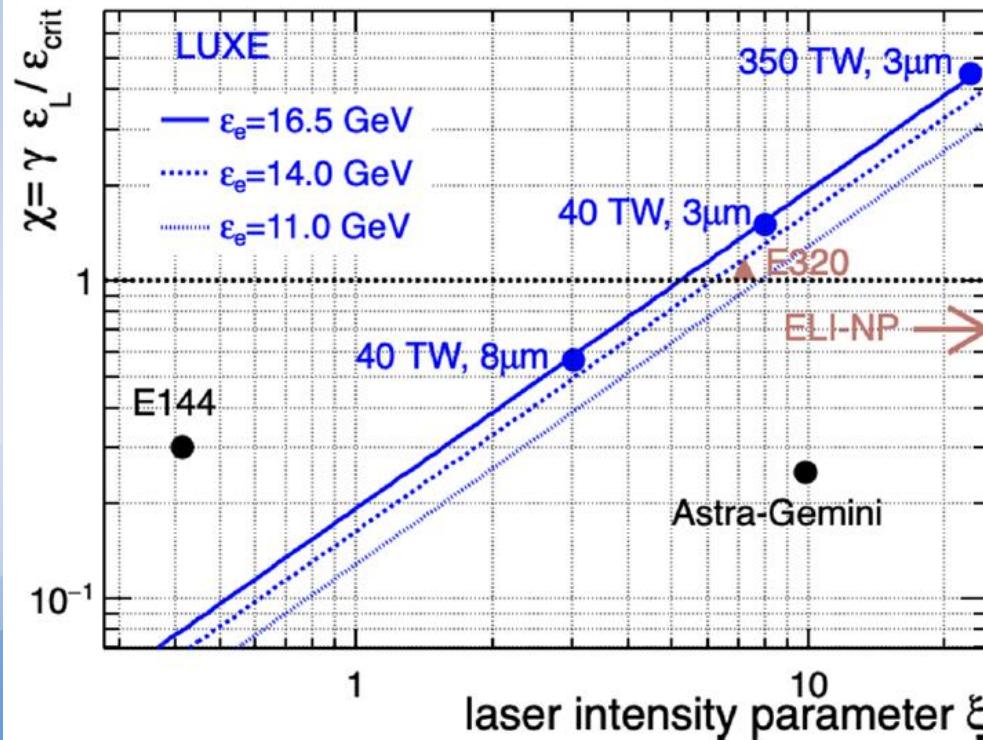




## Conceptual design report for the LUXE experiment

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V. Cattaneo<sup>5</sup>, S. Chaturvedi<sup>12</sup>, D. Cianchi<sup>13</sup>, P. Ciarcelluti<sup>14</sup>, A. Cianchi<sup>14</sup>, A. Cianchi<sup>15</sup>

**Abstract** This Conceptual Design Report describes LUXE (Laser Und XFEL Experiment), an experimental campaign that aims to combine the high-quality and high-energy electron beam of the European XFEL with a powerful laser to explore the uncharted terrain of quantum electrodynamics characterised by both high energy and high intensity. We will reach this hitherto inaccessible regime of quantum physics by analysing high-energy electron-photon and photon-photon interactions in the extreme environment provided by an intense laser focus. The physics background and its relevance are presented



# SHINE ПРОЕКТ (КИТАЙ)



XFEL + 100 ПВт лазер (SEL – Station of Extreme Light)

# Выводы и предложения

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Один из проектов КИ предусматривает 3 лазерные станции. Одну из станций можно оснастить мощной лазерной системой (мульти-ТВт или суб-ПВт) для исследования нелинейного режима комптоновского рассеяния.

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**2-й этап:** исследование эффектов реакции излучения, исследование границ применимости приближений плоской волны и постоянного скрещенного поля

**3-й этап:** сильно-полевая КЭД, генерация электрон-позитронных пар, (200 ТВт система)

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Использование технологии CafCA позволяет генерировать сверхкороткие оптические импульсы. Это может быть интересно для исследования «неизлучающих» режимов взаимодействие электронов с лазерным полем, а также режимов, где не работает приближение плоской волны.

# СубПВТ ЛАЗЕРНАЯ СИСТЕМА PEARL



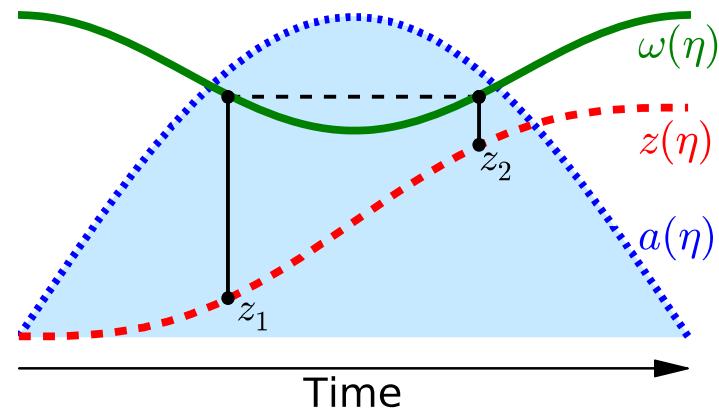
$W = 24 \text{ Дж},$   
 $T = 43 \text{ фс},$   
 $P \sim 0.56 \text{ ПВт},$   
 $\lambda = 0.911 \text{ мкм}$   
Laser Phys. Lett. 4, 421  
(2007).

CafCA метод:  
 $T = 11 \text{ фс},$   
 $P \sim 1.5 \text{ ПВт},$   
Opt. Express 29, 28297  
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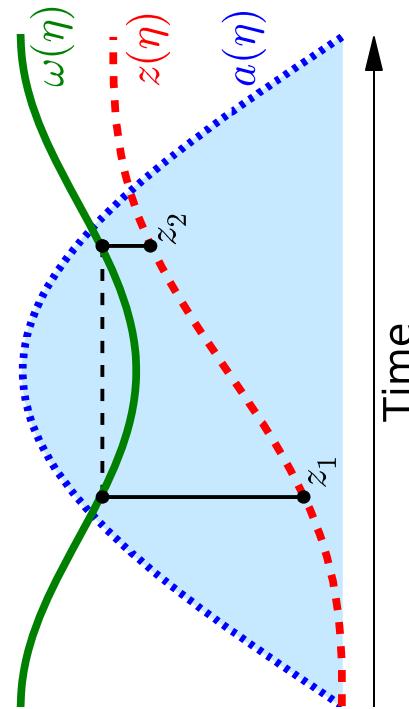
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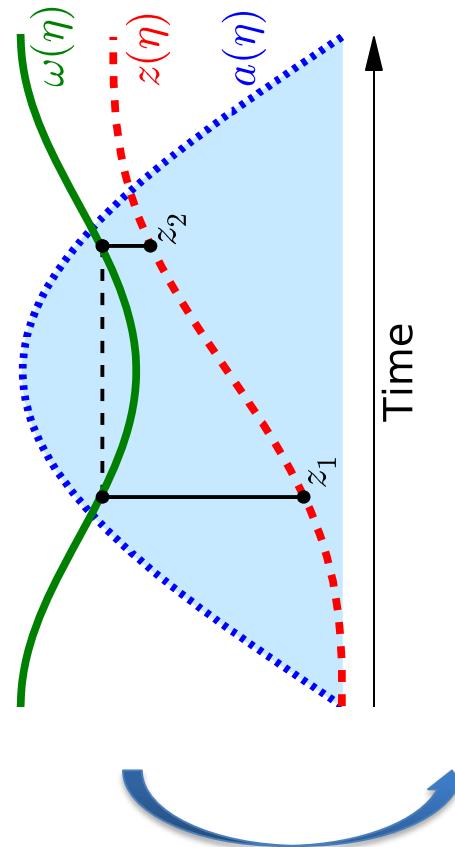
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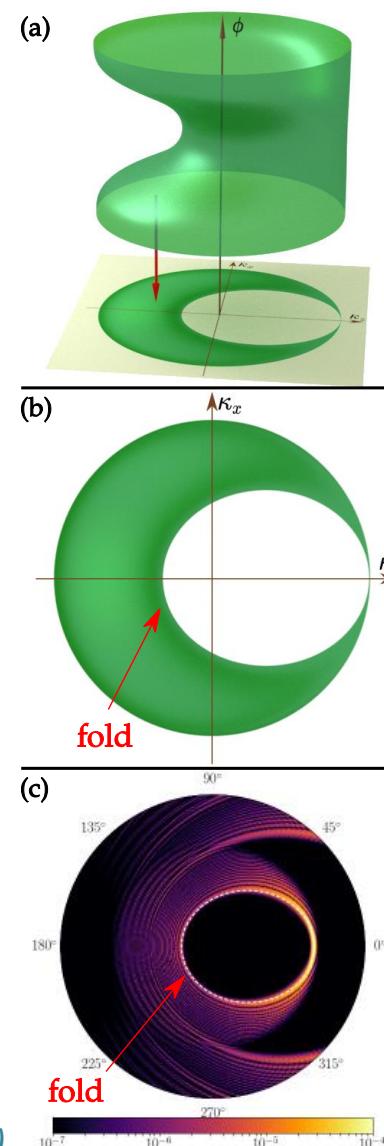
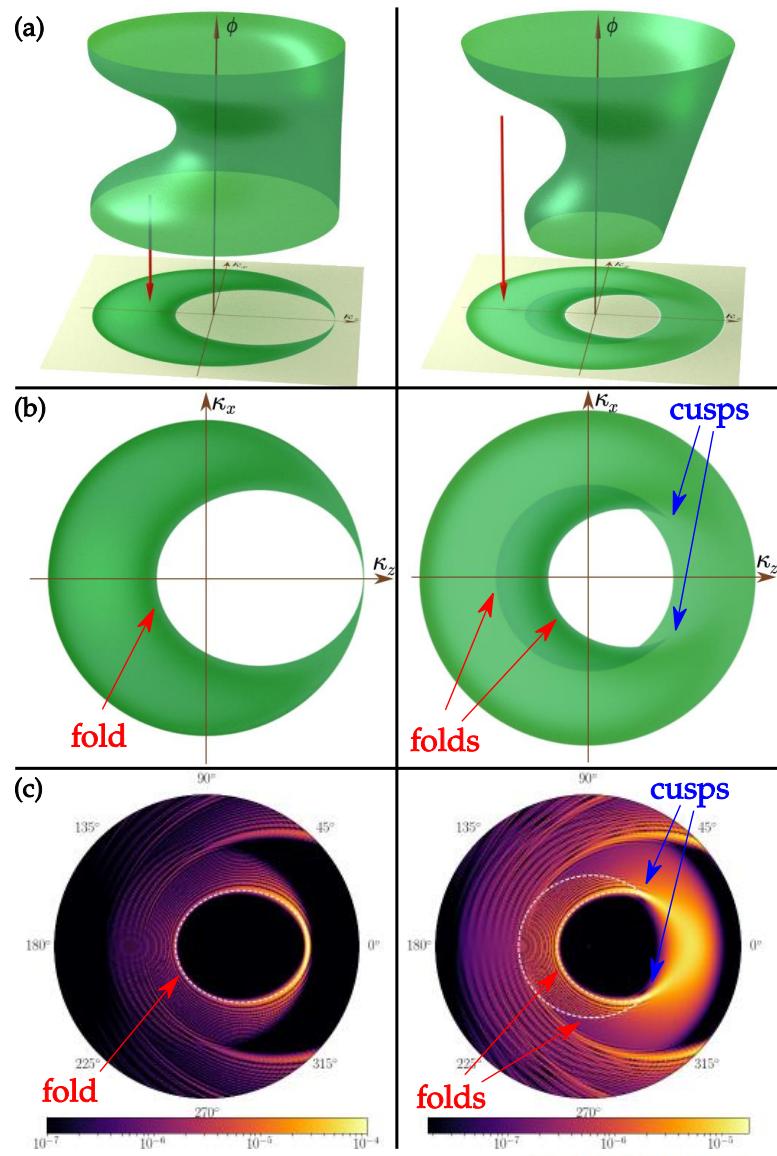


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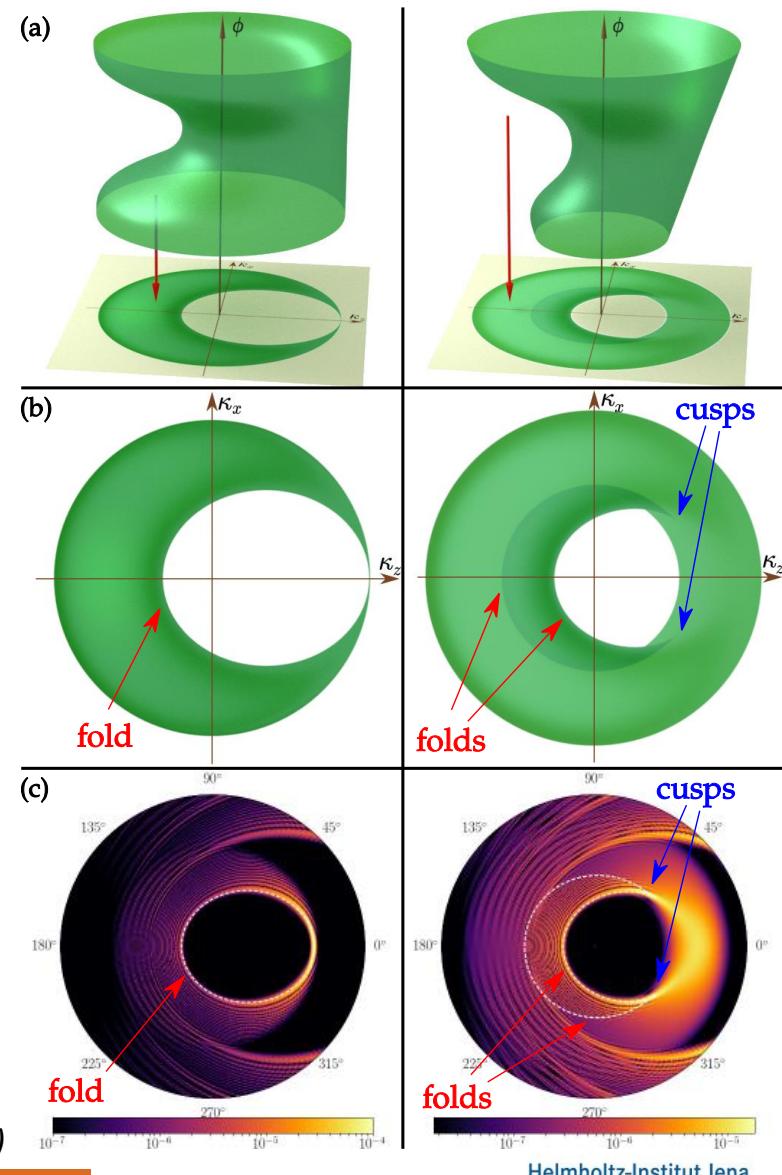
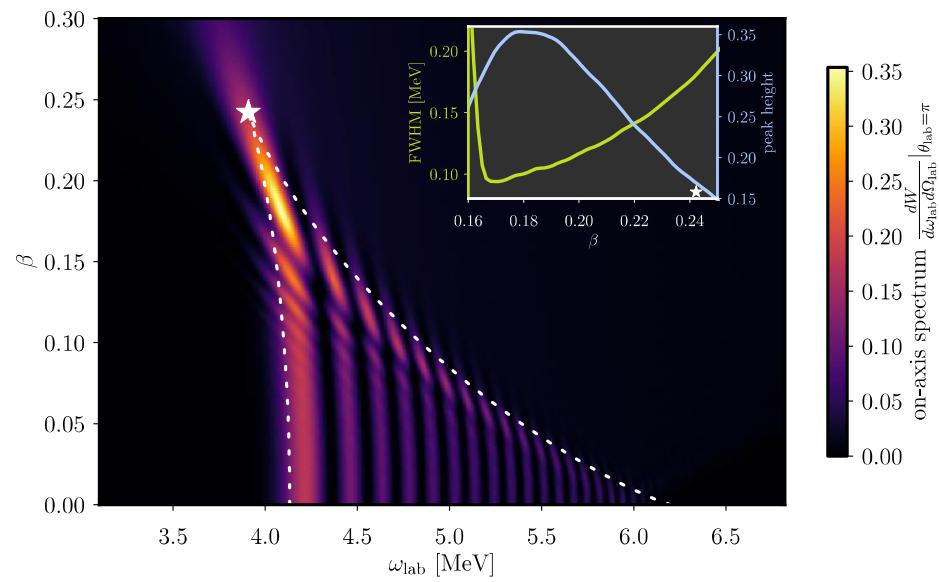
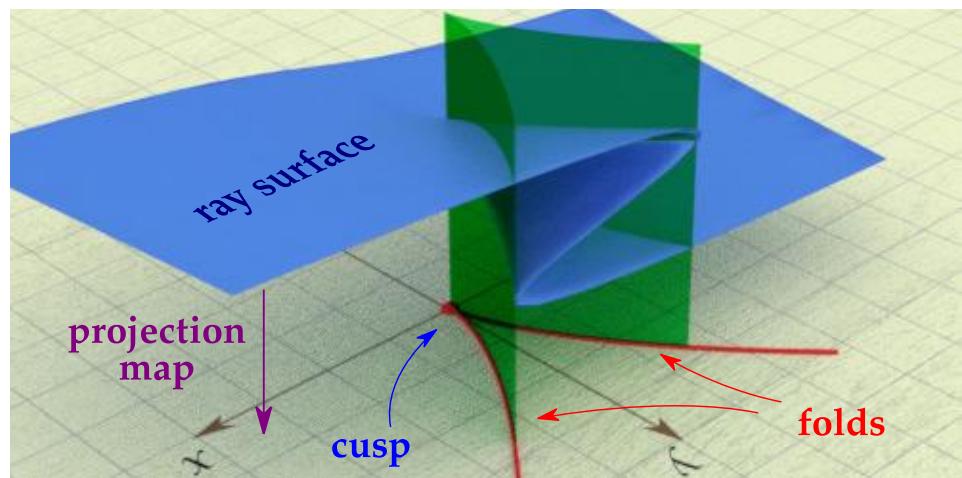
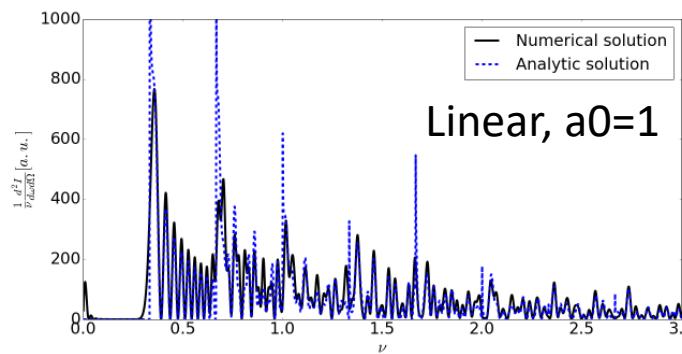
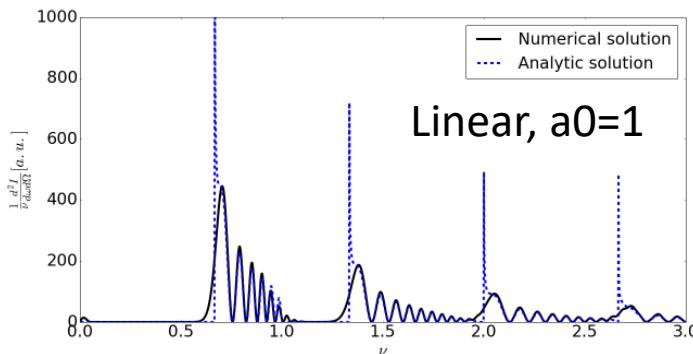
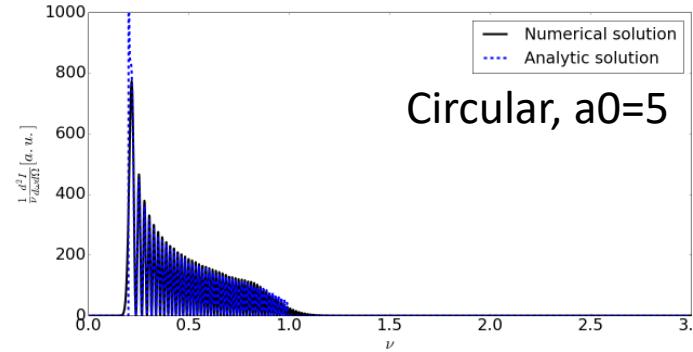
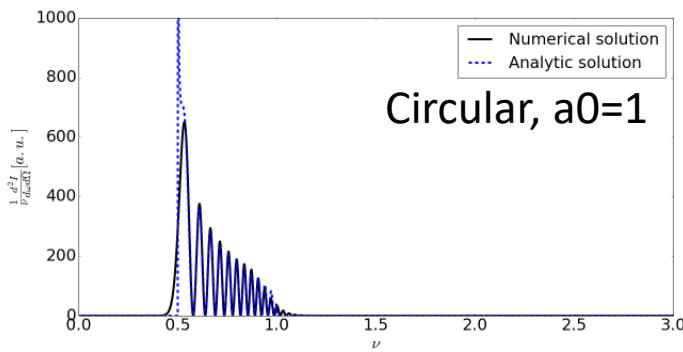


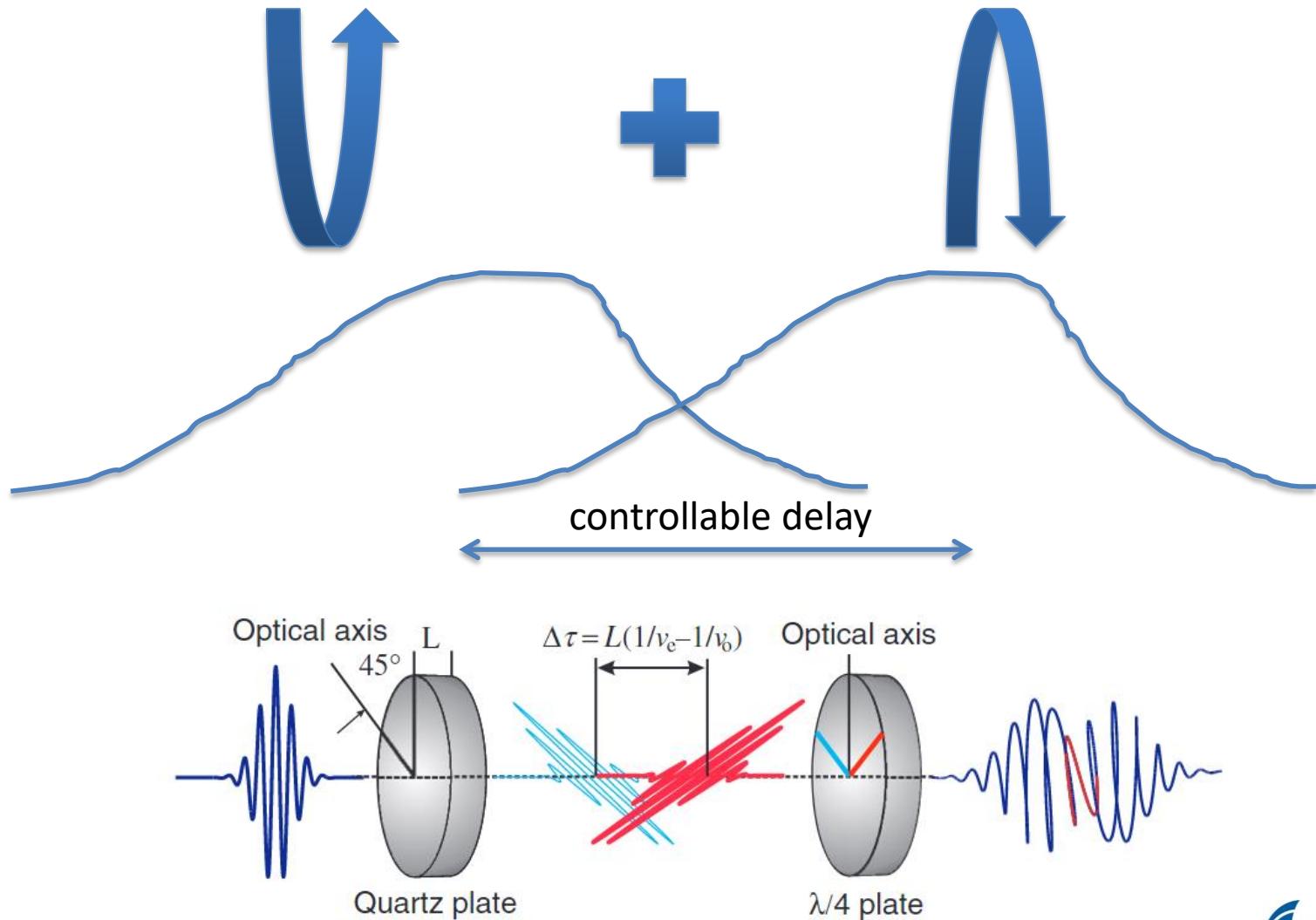
FIG. 1. The ray surfaces [stationary phase condition (4)] (a),

# Generation of harmonics

- Linear ( $a_0 \ll 1$ ) Compton scattering is a source of narrow bandwidth gamma-rays
- One can significantly increase photon yield by increasing  $a_0$  for rectangular pulses
- Temporally shaped laser pulses lead to ponderomotive broadening in the spectrum
- Linear polarization leads to harmonics on axis, circular – no harmonics on axis (backscatter)
- Nonlinear chirping can compensate broadening, but hard to do experimentally
- Linear chirping is “easy” to implement

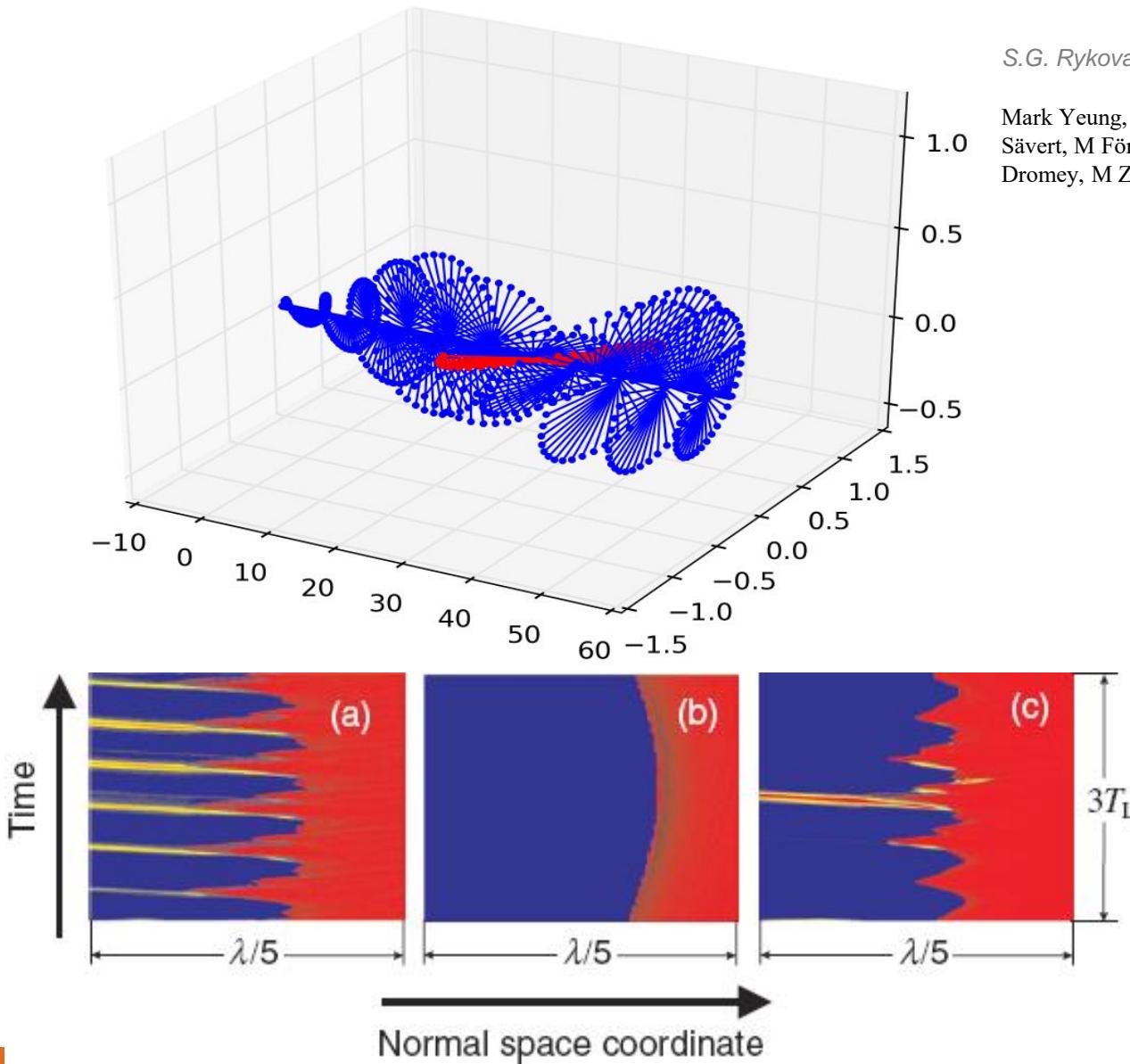


# Polarization gating technique



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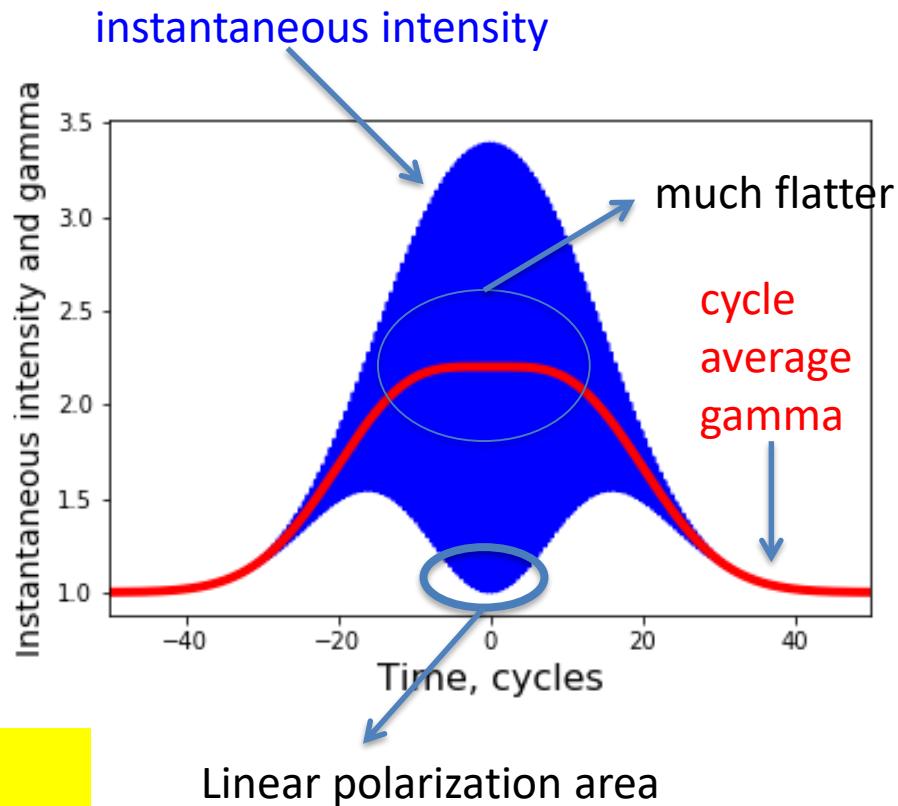
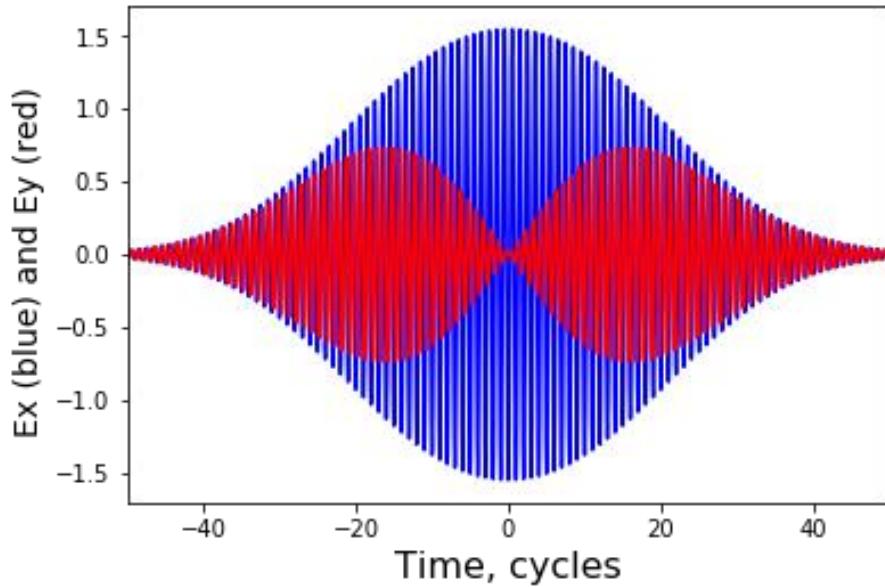


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# PG technique in Compton Scattering

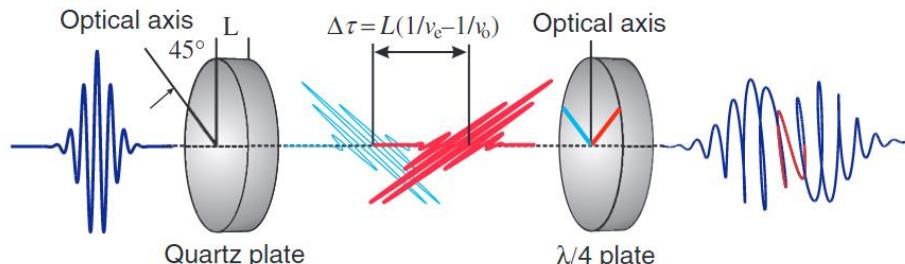
- Circular – no harmonics (at beginning and the end of the pulse)
- Linear – harmonics (near the middle of the pulse depending on the delay)
- Polarization gating – harmonics are only generated near the middle of two pulses where the polarization is linear



Two beneficial effects:

1. Flatter electron gamma factor at peak intensity
2. Linear polarization only near the peak intensity

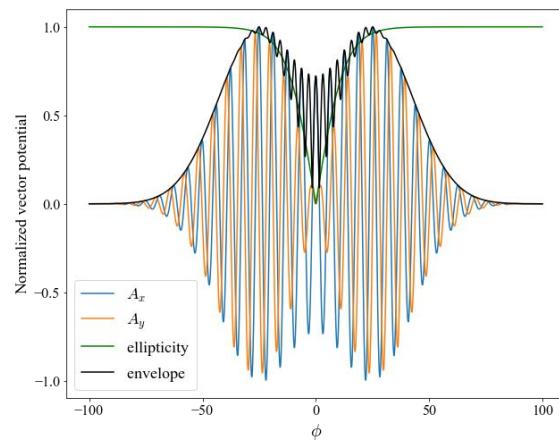
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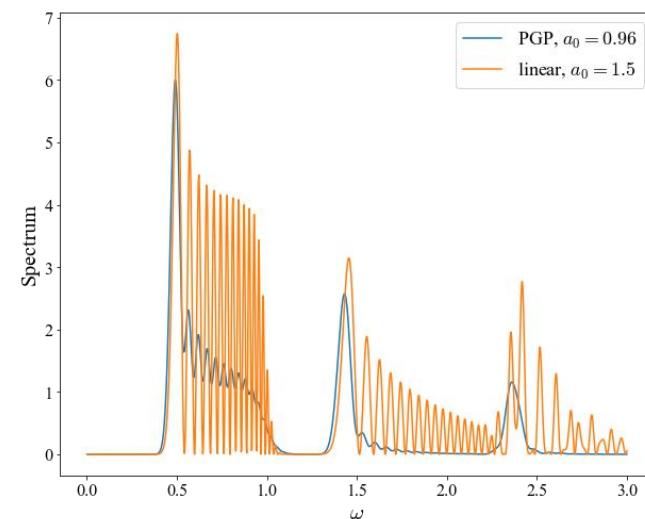
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$$\phi = t - z, \quad \delta = \pi n$$

$$\mathbf{A}_\perp = \frac{a_0}{2} e^{i\phi} \left( g \left( \phi - \frac{\delta}{2} \right) \varepsilon_+ + g \left( \phi + \frac{\delta}{2} \right) \varepsilon_- \right) + c.c.$$



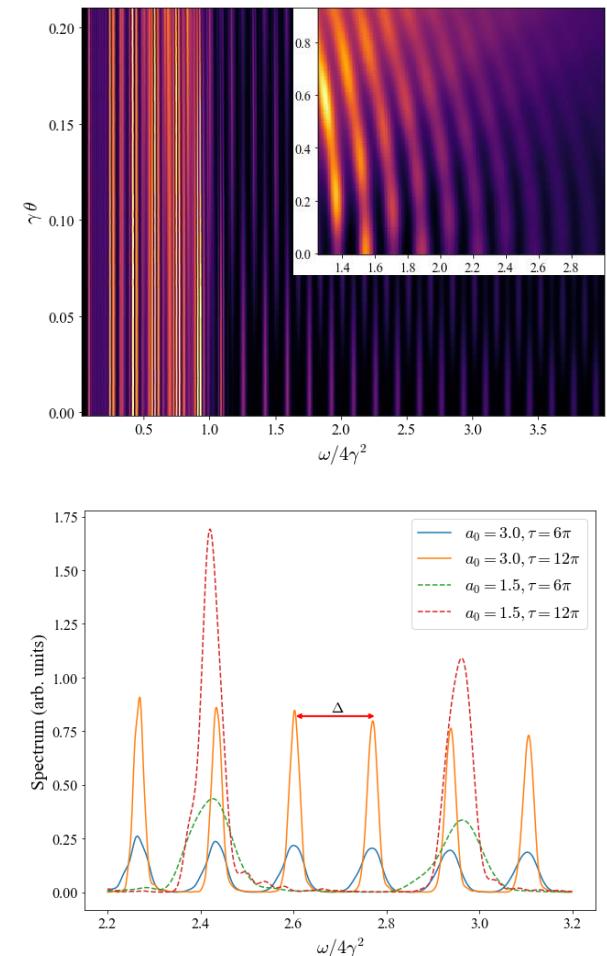
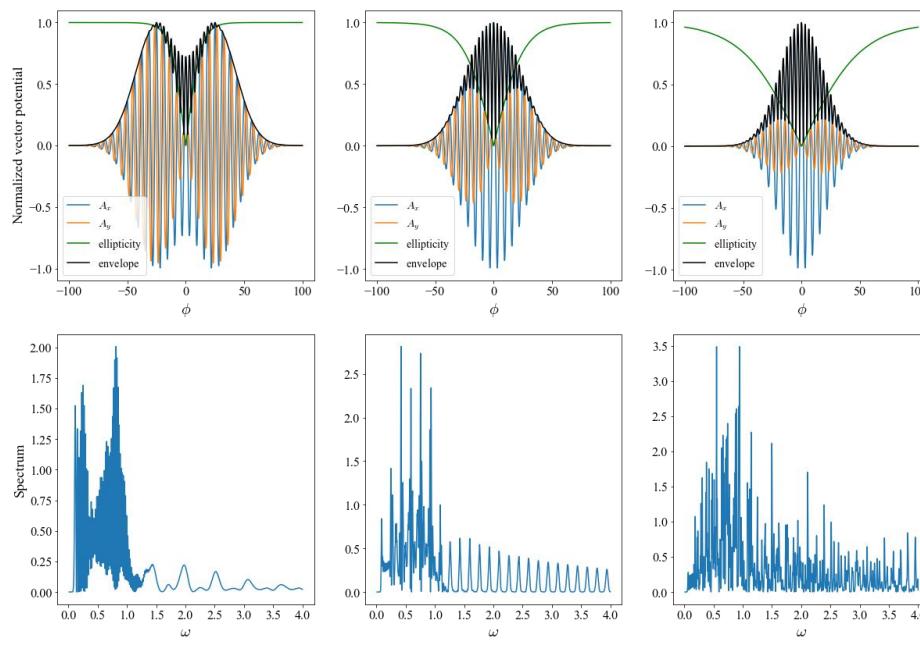
Laser pulse with time-varying ellipticity – a simple method to avoid ponderomotive broadening in harmonics spectrum



- For high intensities harmonics start to overlap into complete disarray
- On-axis harmonics are not emitted for circular polarization

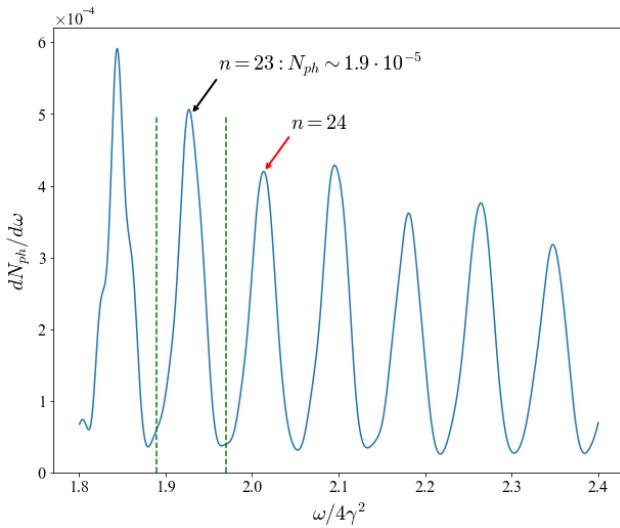
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Choosing optimal delay between the circular pulses leads to a nice comb in gamma region (observed in angular distribution as well). Properties of this comb are governed by strength and length of the incident pulse.



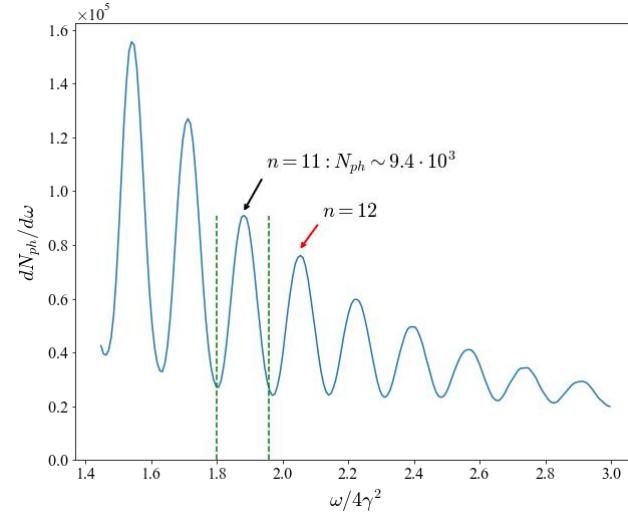
# Photon yield

- Plane wave with gaussian temporal envelope ( $a_0 = 3, \tau =$



Due to collimation angle even harmonics are also present

- Laser pulse ( $a_0 = 2, \tau = 30\pi$ ),
- realistic electron beam ( $10^8$  electrons,  $\gamma = 529, \epsilon_n \approx 0.15$  mm mrad,  $\sigma_r \approx 1.4 \mu\text{m}, \sigma_\theta \approx 0.19$  mrad,  $\delta E \approx 1\%$ ),
- $\theta_{col} = 0.2/\gamma$



The effect could be observed experimentally

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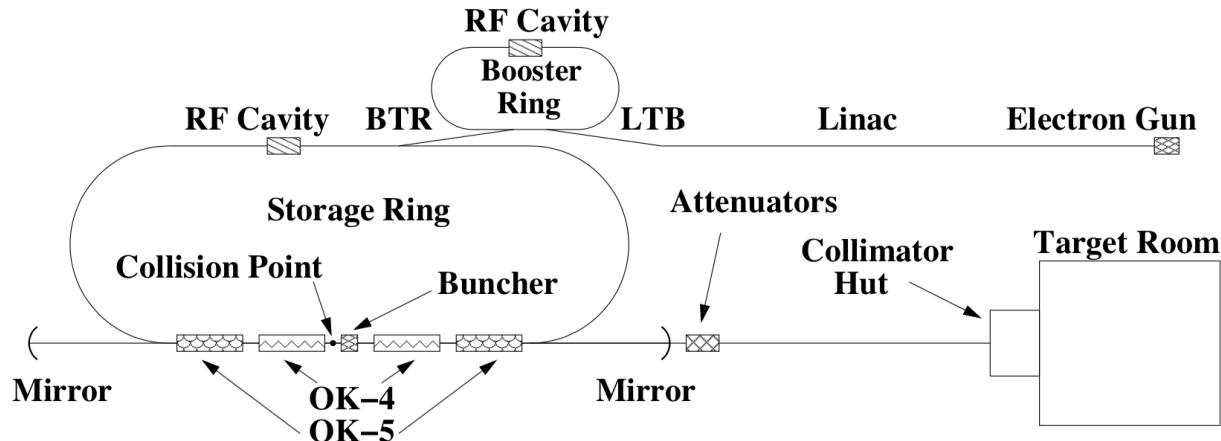
# Conclusion

- **Nuclear Photonics** is new and perspective multi-disciplinary science area
- **Nuclear Photonics** describes methods of generation of intense monochromatic gamma-ray sources and their interaction with matter
- Billions of dollars invested world-wide in Nuclear Photonics (US, EU, China, Japan and others), several new facilities under construction
- Plasma based gamma-ray sources are very compact and can potentially compete with HIGS facility + they have intrinsic short duration ( $\sim 10$  fs)
- Sources based on Linear Compton Scattering can offer  $\sim 10^8$  photons/sec having 1-5% bandwidth and 1-100 MeV photon energies
- Nonlinear Compton Scattering can potentially increase the photon yield up to  $\sim 10^{12}$  photons/sec for the same photon beam parameters
- *One can generate gamma beams carrying spin and orbital angular momentum*
- *What are the applications of the gamma comb?*
- *On-going discussion: What are new applications?*

# Duke University (HIGS facility)

Уникальная установка основанная на обратном эффекте Комптона,  
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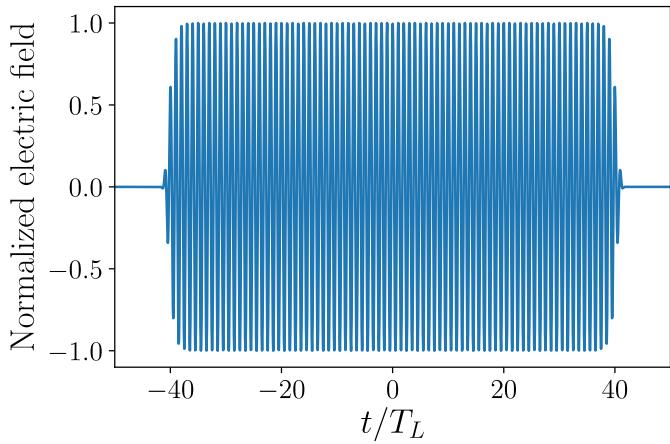
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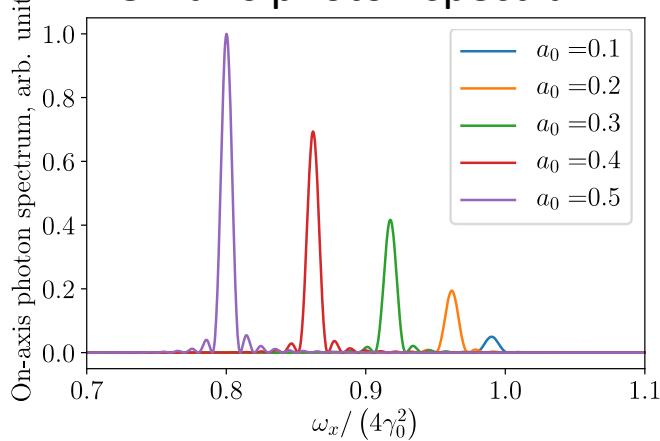
HIGS flux performance table for high-flux, quasi-CW operation, DFELL/TUNL, November, 2017 (Version 2.4).

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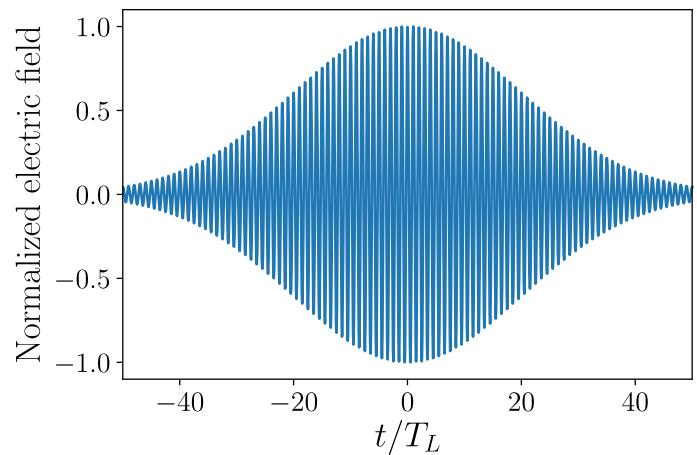
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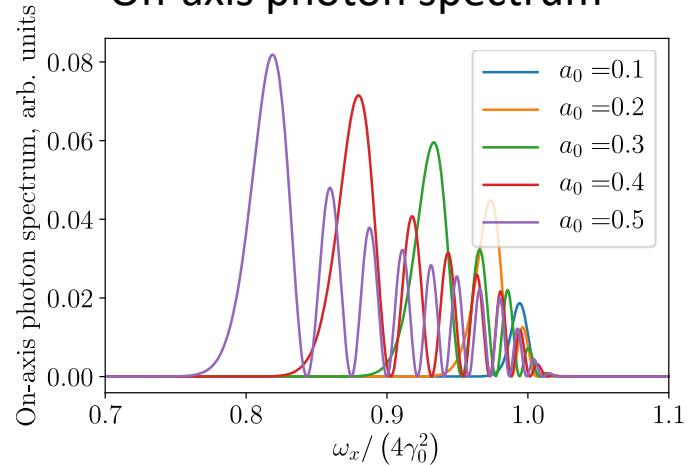
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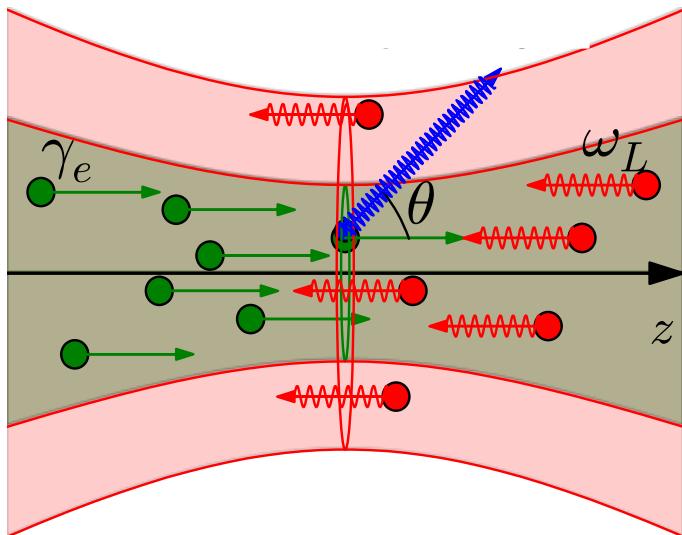
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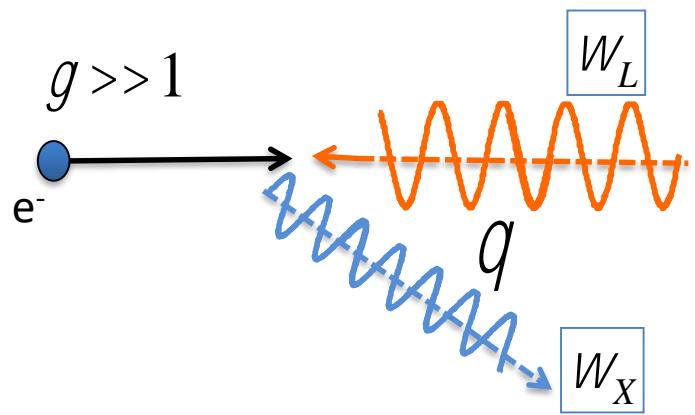
## Collision of an intense laser pulse with an ultra-relativistic ( $\gamma \gg 1$ ) electron beam



S.G. Rykovanov, et al, JPHYSB 47, 234013 (2014)

- Doppler upshift of laser frequency  $W_X = 4g^2 W_L$
- Tunable source
- Extremely short bursts of hard radiation
- Quasi-monochromatic
- Applications: medicine, nuclear physics, materials
- Nuclear Resonant Fluorescence : nuclear spectroscopy

**Main quality: Spectral brightness =  $\gamma$ -ray yield per bandwidth**



$$a_0 = \frac{eA_L}{mc^2} \ll 1$$

$$I \ll 10^{18} \text{ W/cm}^2$$

$$E_{\max} = 4\gamma^2 \hbar \omega_L$$

$$q_{\max} \sim \frac{1}{g}$$

electron recoil  $\chi \approx \frac{2\gamma \hbar \omega_L}{mc^2}$

### Example:

$$g = 1000 \quad (\sim 0.5 \text{ GeV } e^-)$$

$$\hbar \omega_L = 1.55 \text{ eV} \quad (\sim 1 \text{ um laser})$$

Max. photon energy:  
4 MeV  
 $C \gg 0.5\%$

$$g = 40 \quad (\sim 20 \text{ MeV } e^-)$$

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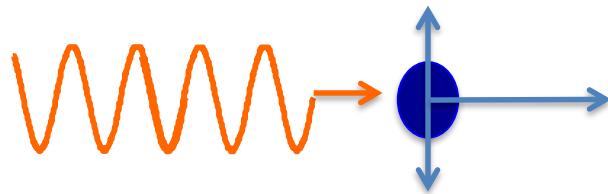
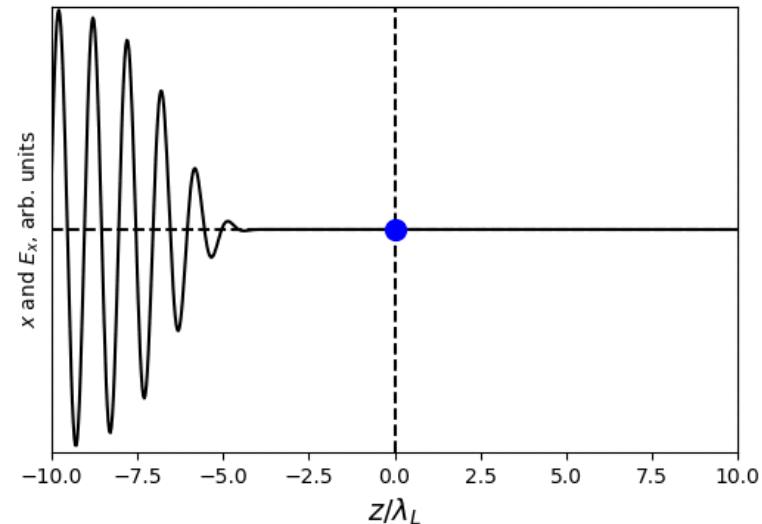
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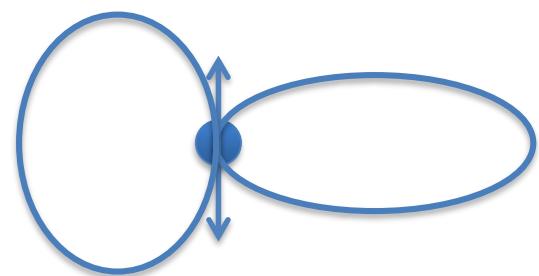
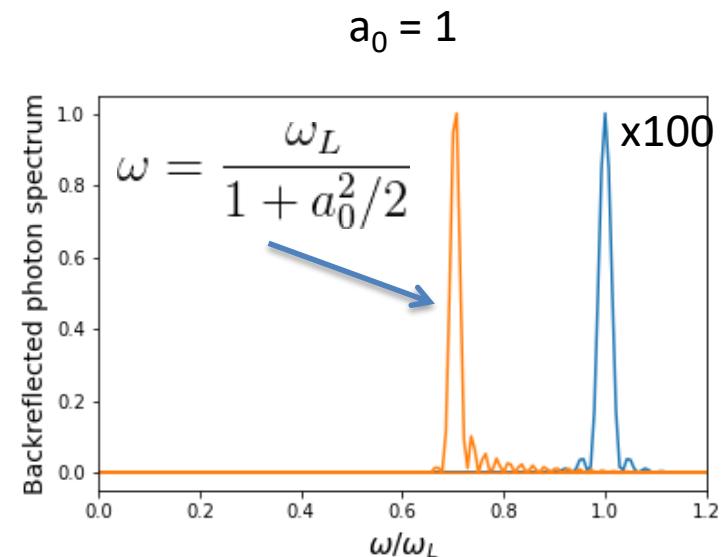
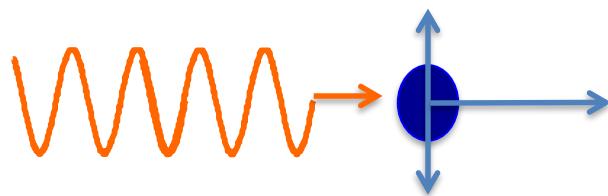
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Angular spectrum

# Laser pulse longitudinal shape leads to spectrum broadening

