# **Accelerator Activities at PITZ**

#### Plasma acceleration etc.

#### **Outline**

- Motivation / Accelerator Research & Development (ARD)
- Plasma acceleration
  - Basic Principles
  - Activities
  - SINBAD
- ps-fs electron and photon beams
  - Ellipsoidal laser, RF gun, Undulator

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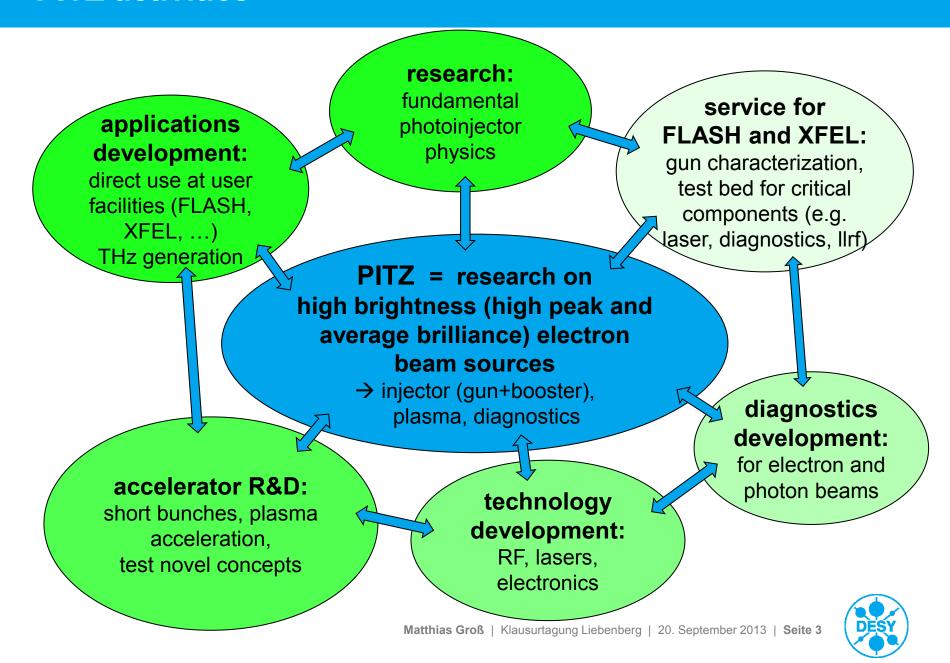


### **Accelerator Technology**

- Light sources to investigate materials. Applications in
  - Life Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Medicine)
  - Material Technology
  - Fundamental Research
  - etc.
- Accelerators for particle- and nuclear physics
  - Constitution of matter
  - Fundamental forces
  - etc.
- For this we need
  - High beam energy
  - High particle density
  - Very short particle bunches



### **PITZ** activities



### Helmholtz ARD Program – Accelerator R&D as a Research Field

### Accelerator physics:

- Originally part of
  - high energy physics
  - nuclear physics
  - research with photons, neutrons, ions (PNI)
- Since 2010: ARD is part of HGF portfolio program → extra funding for ARD
- Starting 2015: own topic in HGF program (POF III) – recognized as a future oriented research field
- Significant, stable funding (base budget) for accelerator R&D; independent of big science projects



Coordinator: Reinhard Brinkmann



### **Helmholtz ARD – Research Topics and DESY Involvement**

## **Superconducting RF Technology**















**ASSC PITZ is involved** 

Development

RATOR

ps – fs Electron and **Photon Beams** 





**Novel Acceleration Concepts** 







### **Motivation for Developing Plasma Acceleration**

- Why novel accelerators? we are already very good in accelerator technology!
- Conventional accelerators work well but they are very large

Name	Final energy	Size
HERA	27.5 GeV	2 km diameter
SLAC (SLC linac)	50 GeV	3.2 km length
European XFEL (linac)	17.5 GeV	2.1 km length

- > Conventional accelerator cavities: about 100 MV/m
- Possible with plasma acceleration: up to 1 TV/m !!!

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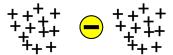
### **Problem of Conventional Accelerators**

- Basic problem: microscopic particles are accelerated with macroscopically generated fields
  - Small field gradient → Large accelerator
- New Idea: Plas
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  How to drive a
  - With a strong laser pulse (laser driven plasma wakefield accelerator LDPWA)
  - With a particle beam (particle driven plasma wakefield accelerator PDPWA)



### **Plasma Wakefield Accelerator**

Acceleration of an electron with a (travelling) wakefield



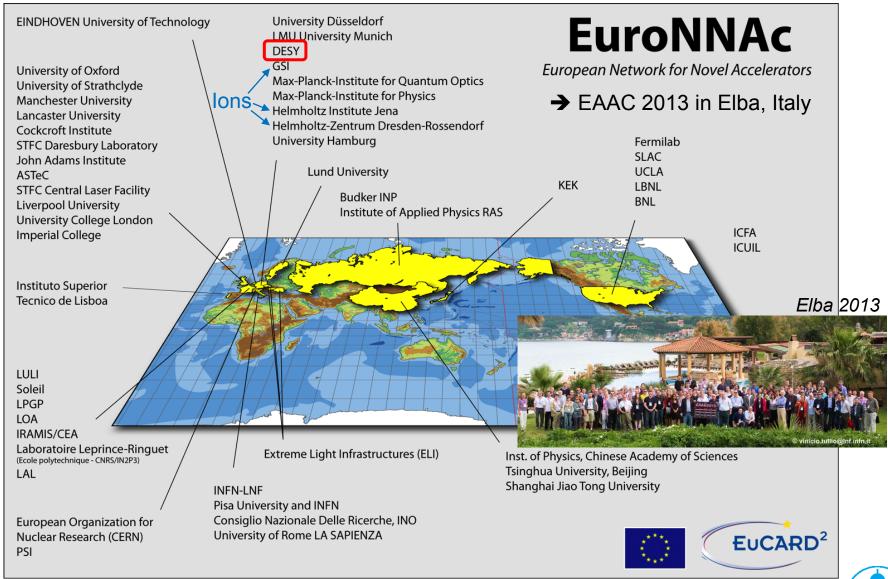
With optimal utilization of non-linearities we can achieve extremely strong acceleration





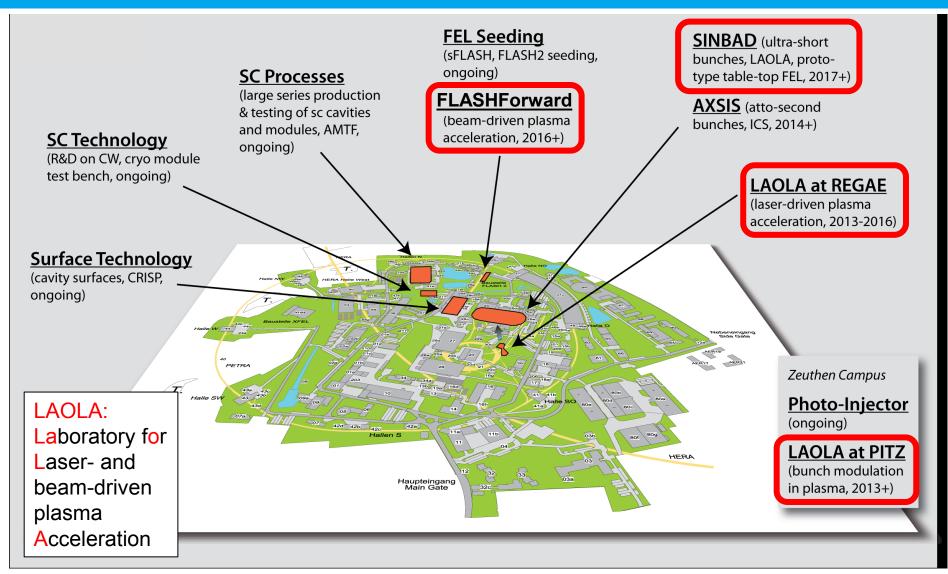


# Players in Novel Accelerators: World Wide with High Concentration in Europe



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### **ARD Research Activities at DESY**

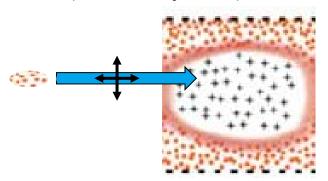




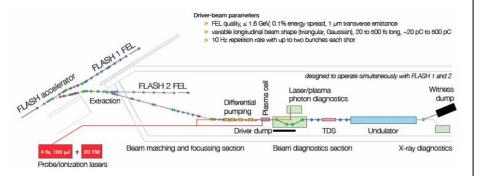


### Novel Accelerator Research in LAOLA (laola.desy.de)

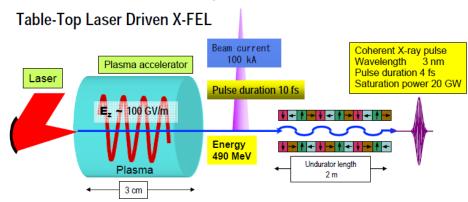
- REGAE (laser driven)
  - Probing of electrical fields with test beam (external injection)



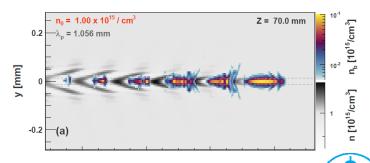
- > FLASHForward (particle driven)
  - Energy boosting of FLASH bunch to utilize special pulse shapes



- LUX (laser driven)
  - Laser driven light source

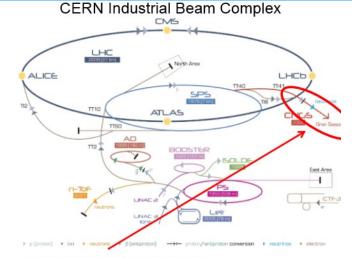


- PITZ (particle driven)
  - Self-modulation of electron beam
  - High transformer ratio

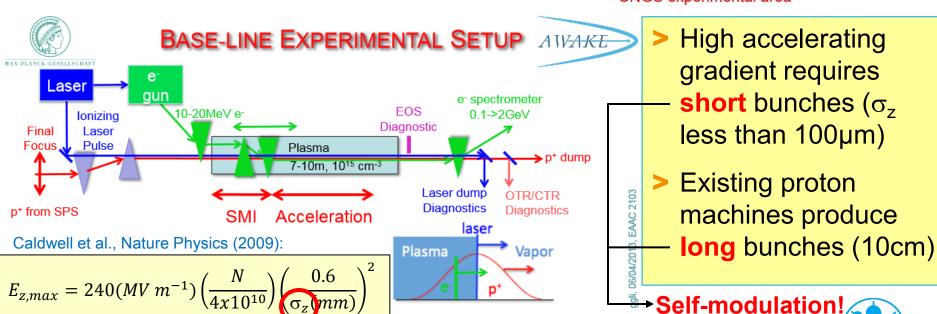


### EAAC Workshop 2013: Patric Muggli, AWAKE: A Proton-Driven Plasma Wakefield Experiment at CERN

- Use high energy proton beams from SPS to drive plasma wave
- Convert proton beam energy to accelerate electron beam in single stage



CNGS experimental area



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### Why Experiments at PITZ?

#### Favorable circumstances

- Very high level photo injector test facility
- Worldwide unique laser system (pulse shaper)
- Well developed diagnostics (high resolution electron spectrometer, etc.); soon: transverse deflecting cavity + dispersive section for longitudinal phase space measurements
- High flexibility (Pure R&D facility)

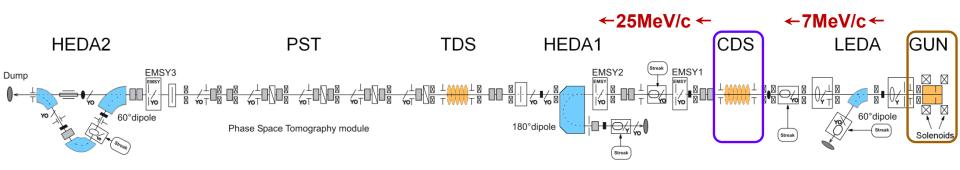
#### Possible contribution from PITZ:

- Self-modulation of electron beam (same principle as for proton beam!)
- Later: High transformer ratio (multiplying beam energy by factor up to 8) needs bunch compressor for high absolute energy gain



### **PITZ Overview**

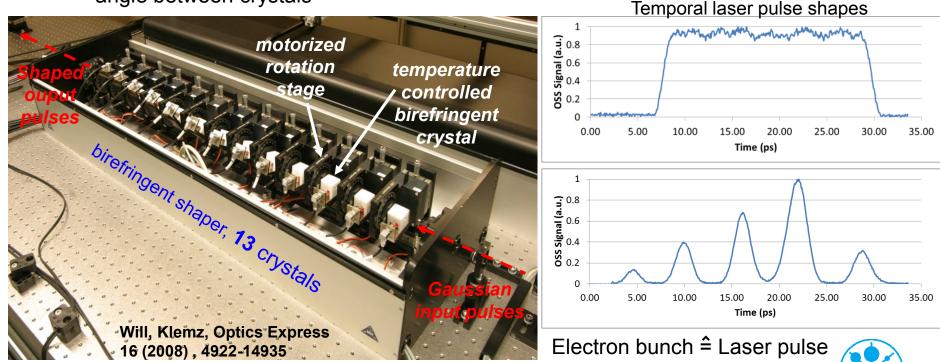
- UV Photocathode Laser
- > RF Gun, Booster
- Diagnostics
  - Slit scan (Transverse emittance)
  - Streak camera, soon TDS (Longitudinal emittance)
  - Screen stations (beam shape and position)
  - Tomography (Transverse emittance)
- New developments (plasma acceleration etc.)



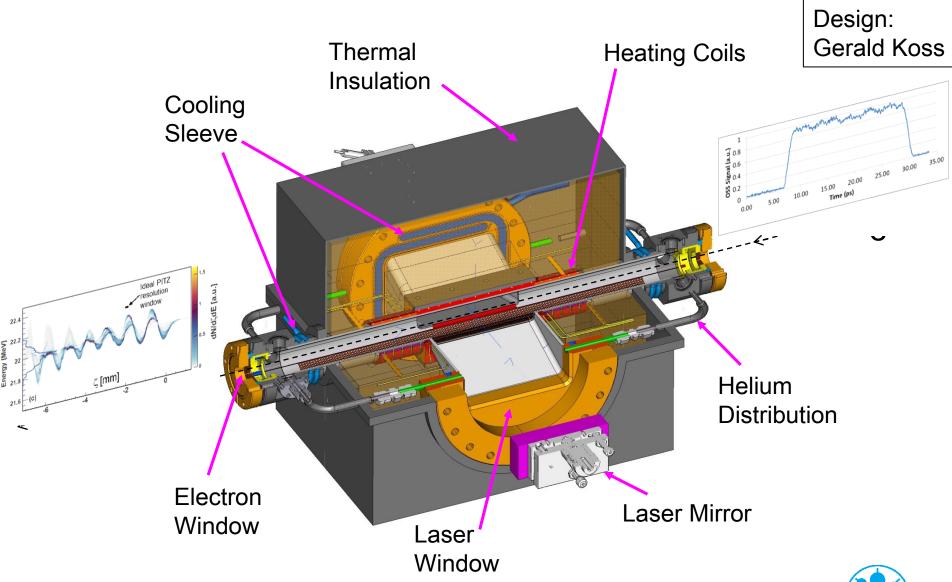
### Flexible Laser Pulse Formation at PITZ

- Photoinjector laser
- Developed and built by Max-Born Institute Berlin
- Key element: the pulse shaper

 Contains 13 birefringent crystals. Pulses are split according to polarization. Delay is given by crystal thickness; relative amplitude can be varied freely by adjusting relative angle between crystals

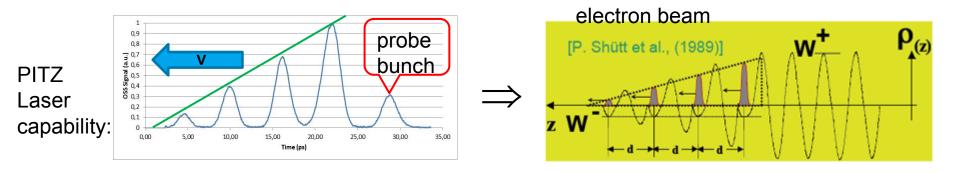


### Plasma Cell Design – Currently in Fabrication



### LAOLA@PITZ: High Transformer Ratio (TR) studies

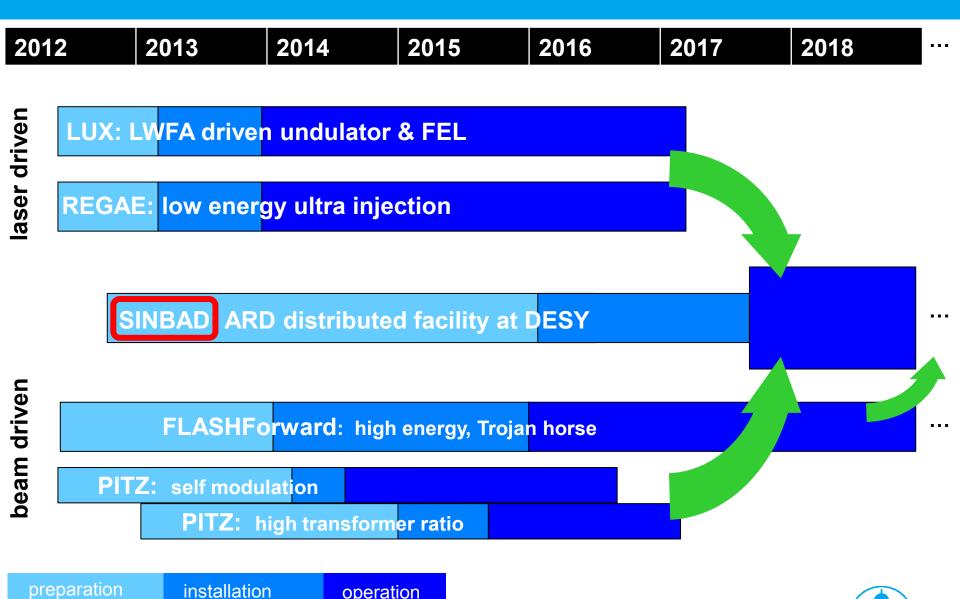
- > Fundamental beam loading "theorem":  $R \le 2$  for bunches with symmetric current profile
- Idea: Tailored bunch current profile (asymmetric bunch)



- Significant plasma acceleration of a probe bunch could be possible
  - Transformer Ratio up to 8 with matched plasma wavelength
- Needs bunch compressor for high absolute energy gain

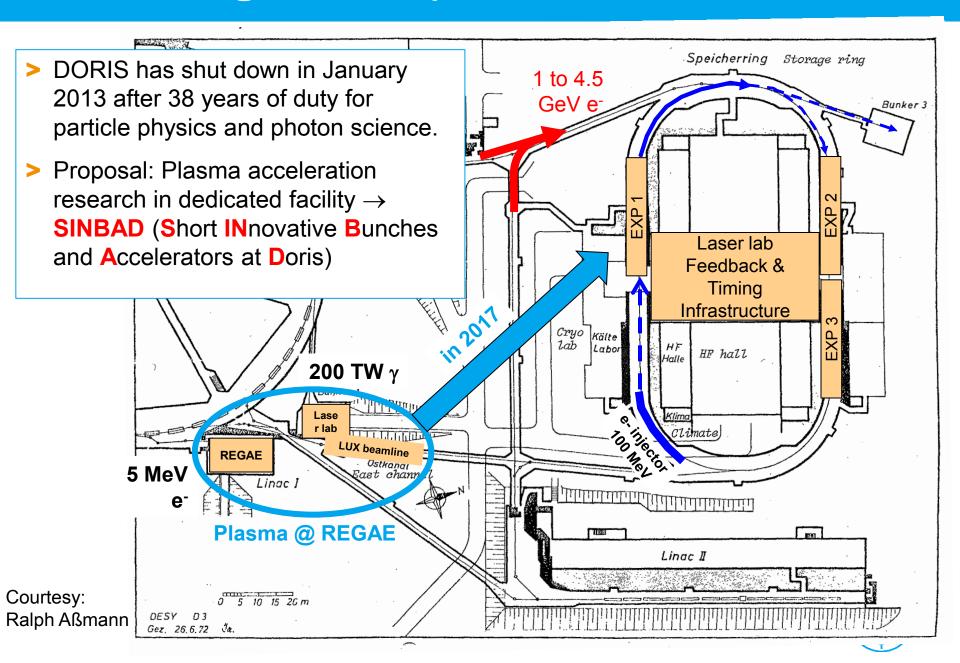


### Roadmap for Novel Accelerator Research at DESY

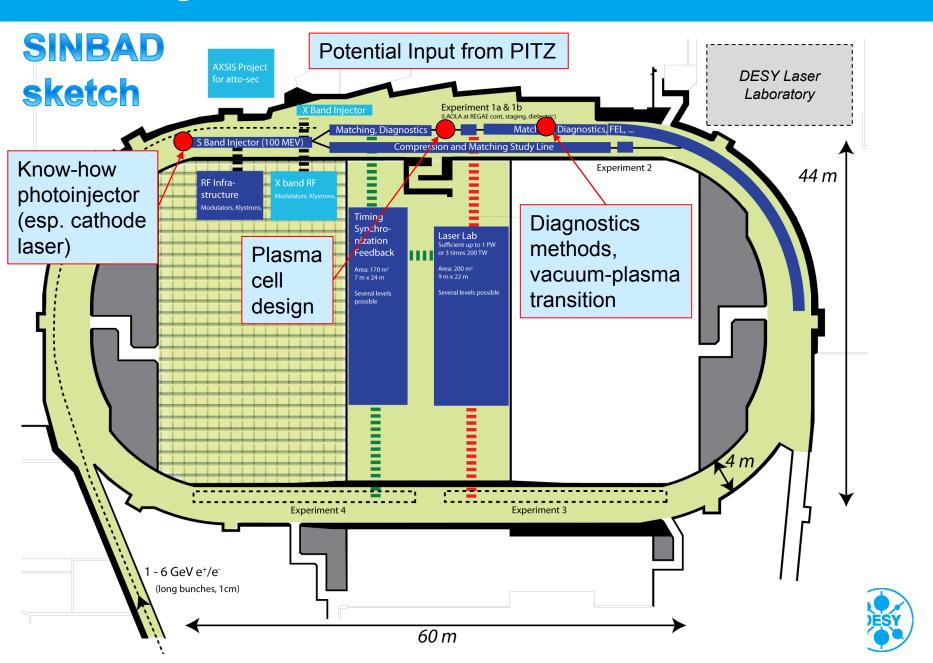




### The Plasma @ DORIS Proposal...: SINBAD



### **Knowledge Transfer: PITZ to SINBAD**



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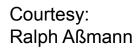




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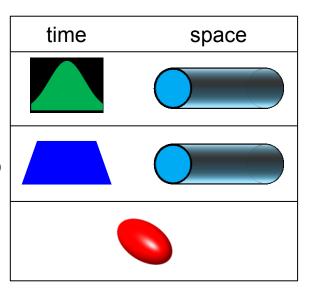


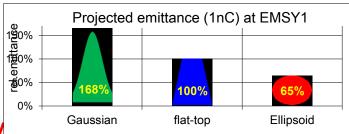




### **Ellipsoidal Laser**

- Expertise at PITZ: Optimizing electron bunch properties
- Fundamental parameter: shape of laser pulse
- Standard: temporal Gaussian
- Developed for European XFEL: temporal flat-top
- New project: ellipsoidal
- Benefits for linac driven light sources:
  - Lower emittance → higher brilliance
  - More linear phase space → better compression
  - Almost no beam halo → reduced radiation damage
  - Less sensitive to machine settings → higher stability



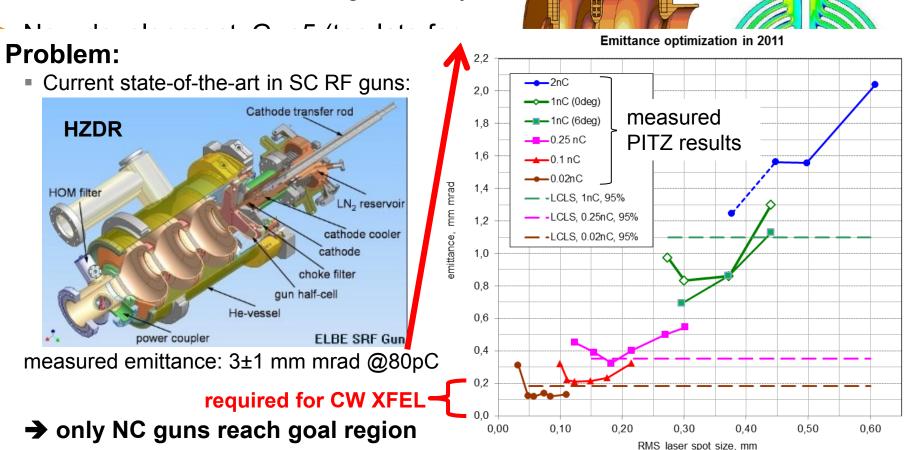




### **Electron Gun Development**

Expertise at PITZ: Gun development to increase performance

Fundamental issues: cooling / stability



### **Development of IR/THz Source**

Asset of PITZ: High charge, high quality electron beam available

Need: tunable THz source for pump-probe experiments at European

XFEL

- > Realization:
  - Use existing undulator design
  - APPLE: Choose polarization by moving magnets
  - Insert into PITZ beam line
  - High power, tunable FEL operation in IR/THz
  - Add on: low charge beams for electron diffraction (like REGAE)
- Other possibilities:
  - Use undulator radiation for electron beam diagnostics
  - IR/THz radiation source for users (+ preparation for beam time at XFEL)



Connection to users in Berlin / Brandenburg region



### Summary

- Accelerator research is important for many applications and is conducted in many places around the world
- Plasma acceleration has the potential to revolutionize the way to build accelerators
- PITZ is working in plasma acceleration within the ARD environment in LAOLA collaboration
  - Current work: Self-modulation and high transformer ratio
  - Mid-term view: Important contributions to ARD test facility SINBAD
- PITZ expertise will also be driving force in several other accelerator developments
- > PITZ plays a significant role in the highly relevant field of accelerator R&D

