

Optimization of Lasers in Electron Accelerator Applications (WEAO03)

Sharon Vetter svetter@slac.stanford.edu

9th International Beam Instrumentation Conference, Brazil

September 14-18, 2020



Stanford
University

SLAC NATIONAL
ACCELERATOR
LABORATORY

Outline

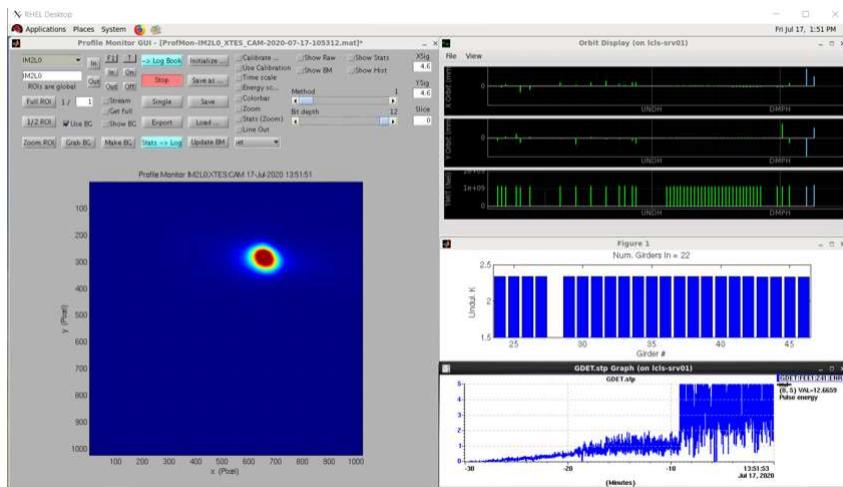
- SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector
- LCLS Laser System
 - ❖ Drive Laser System
 - ❖ Laser Heater System
- Laser and e-Beam Performance
- LCLS Operation and User Delivery
- Future Developments
 - ❖ xLEAP
 - ❖ LCLS II
 - ❖ Machine Learning

SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector

SLAC

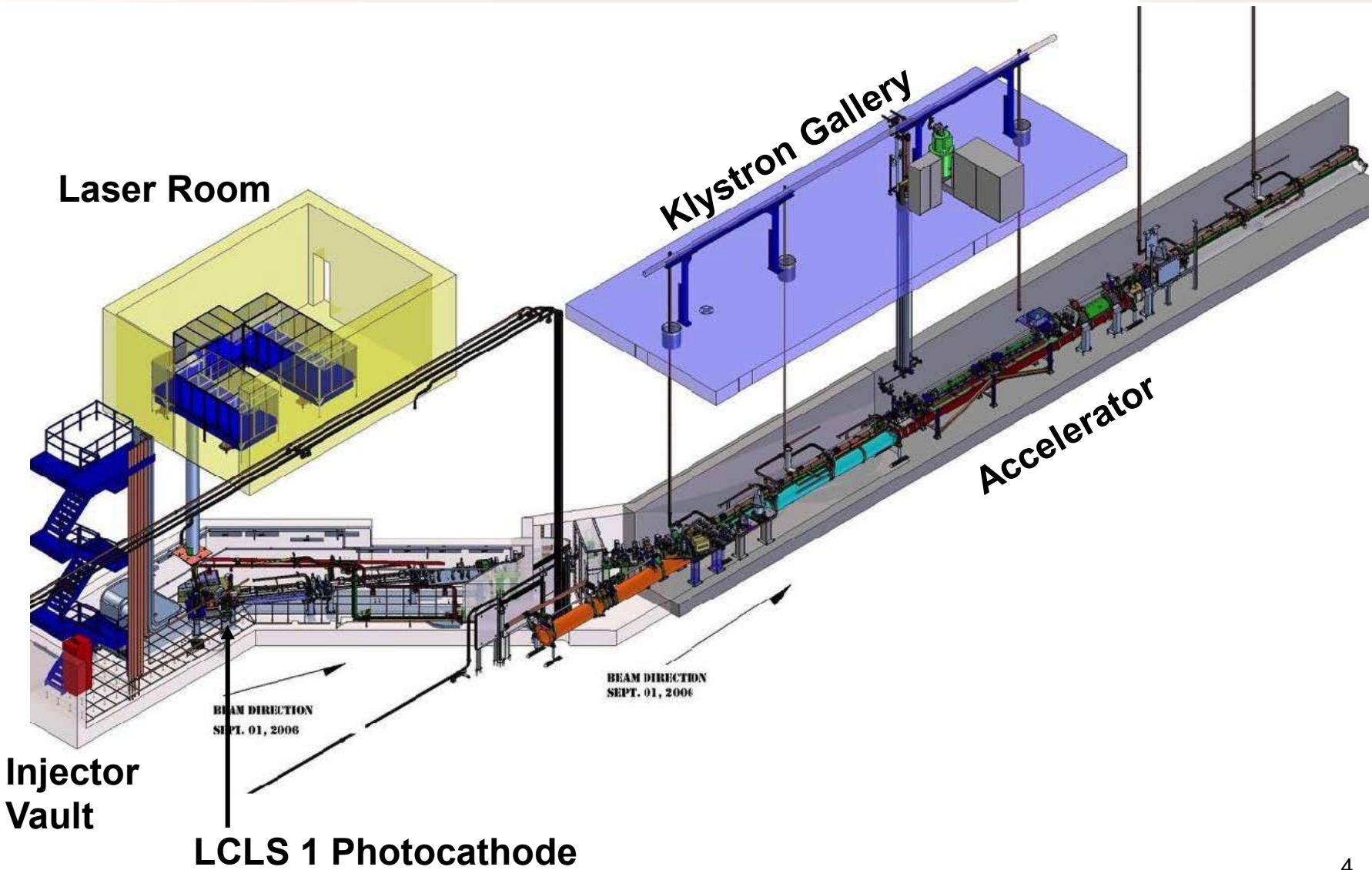


- LCLS 1 Laser Room and Injector Vault
- Located in the last 3rd of the 2 km LINAC
- First Light April 2009.....and again in July 2020!



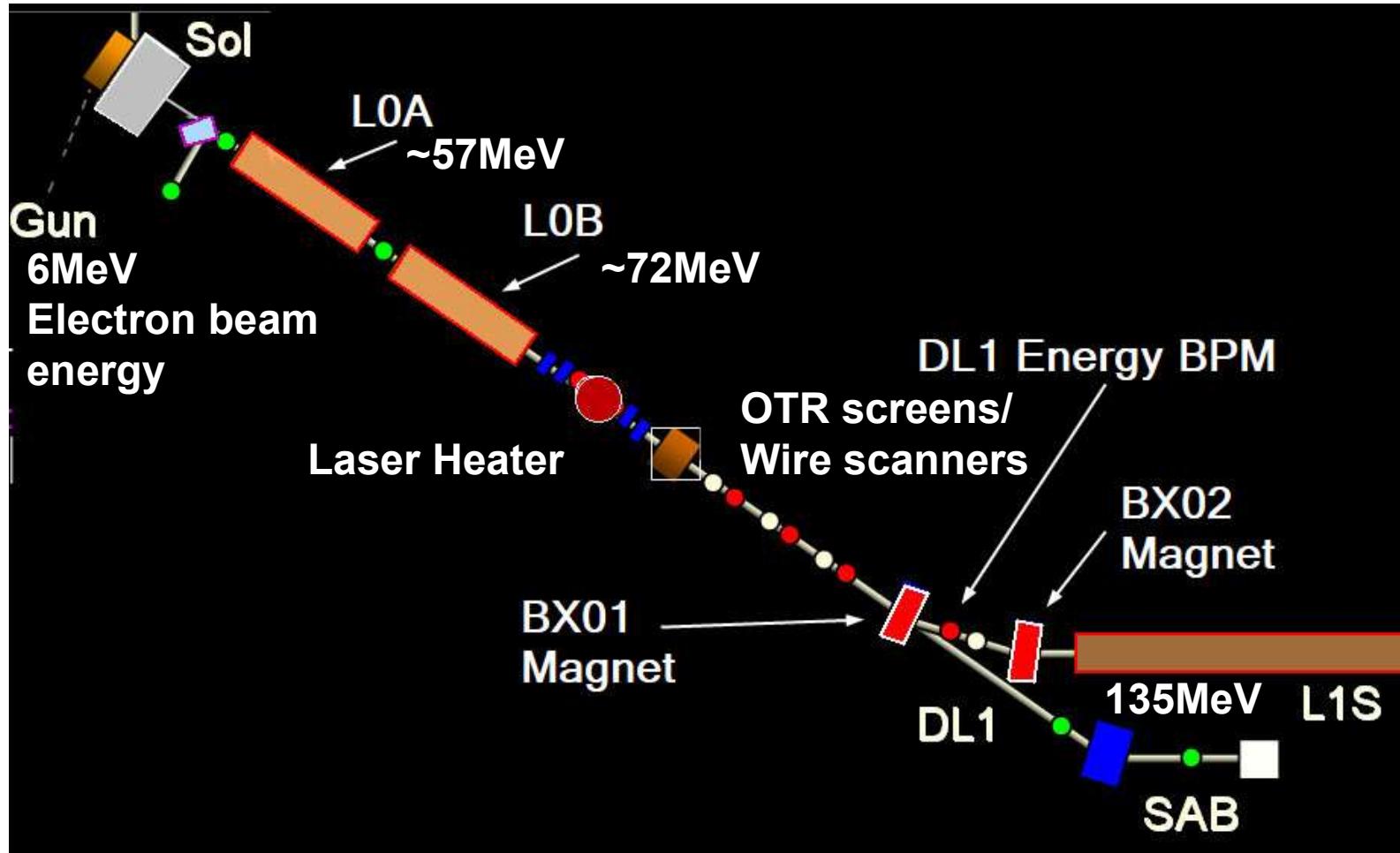
SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector

SLAC



SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector

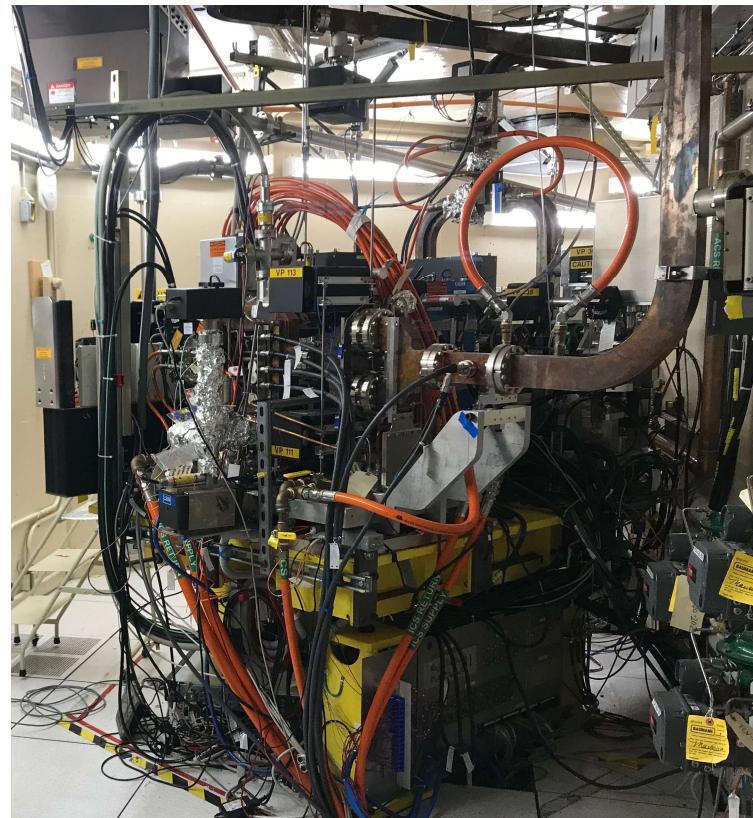
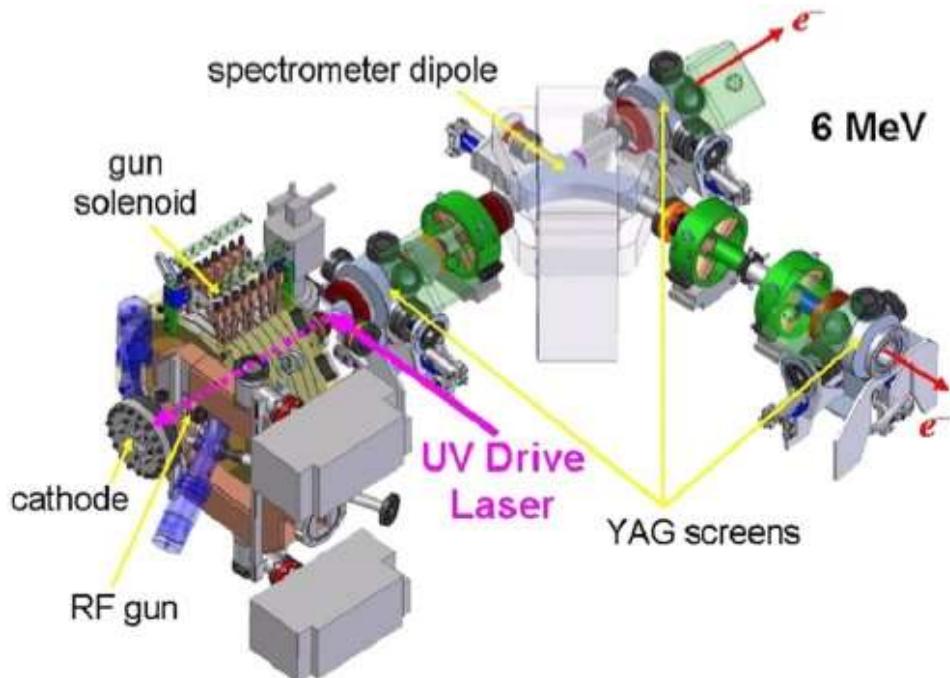
SLAC



SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector

SLAC

- LCLS 1 referred to as the Cu Linac or NC Linac
- Laser transport under vacuum, $\sim 3.5 \times 10^{-6}$ Torr

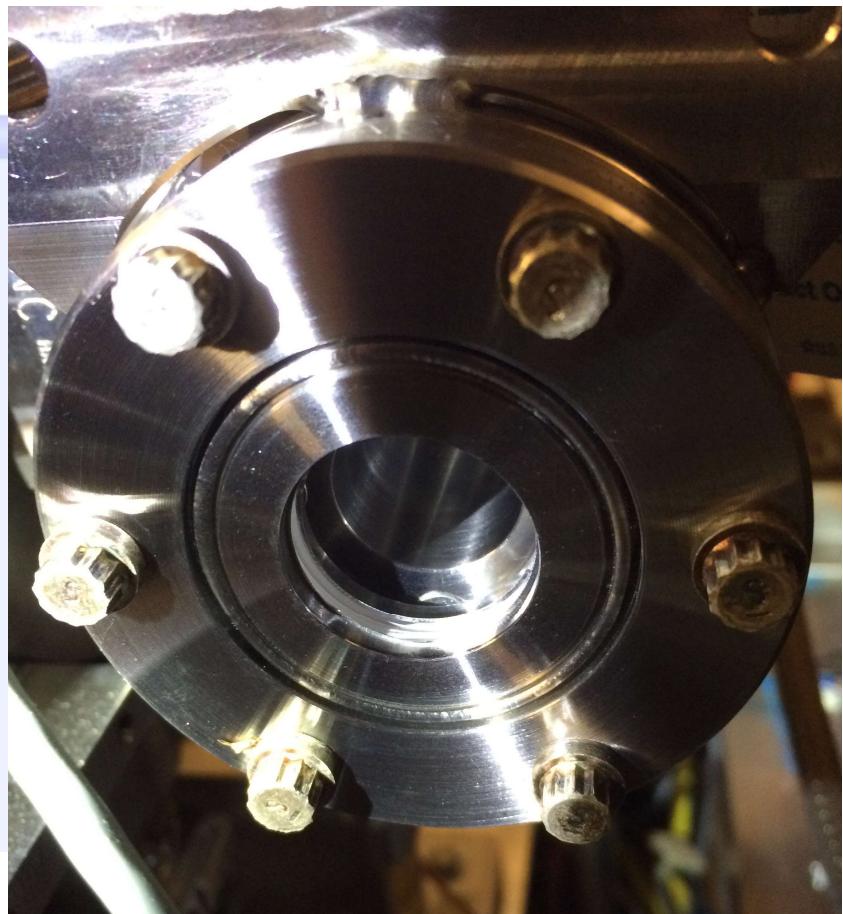
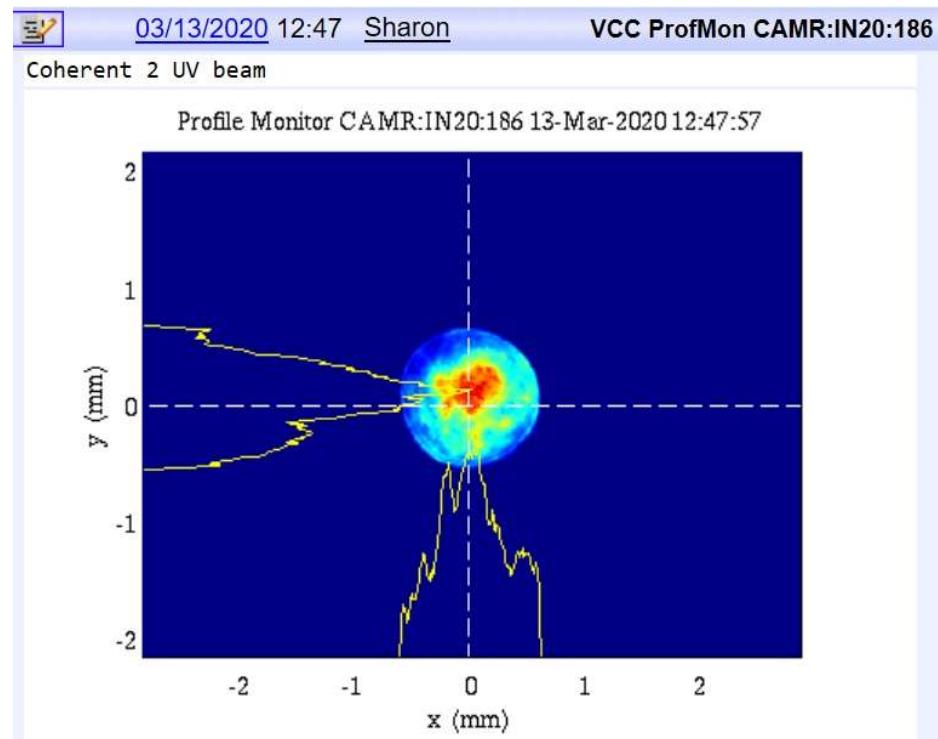


Ref: Akre et al, Phys.Rev.ST Accel.Beams
11, 030703 (2008)

SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector

SLAC

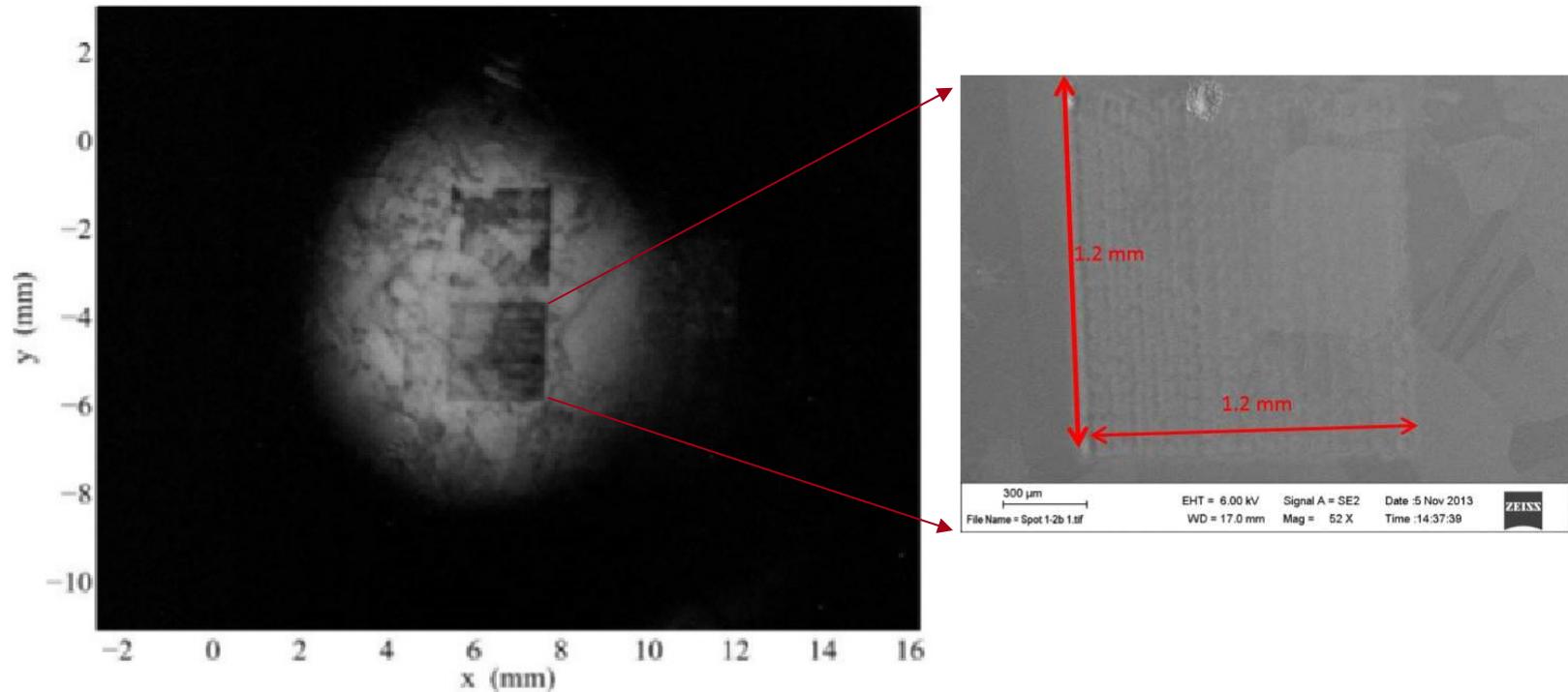
- Virtual Cathode Camera (VCC) – Pulnix camera, in vault next to gun higher radiation area
- Window to Cathode



SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector

SLAC

- QE $\sim 4 \times 10^{-5}$ ($-e/\text{photon}$)
- Cu cathode – third cathode since 2007 (First: 2007-Jul 2008, Second: Jul 2008 – May 2011, Third: May 2011 – present)
- Accelerator Structure Test Area (ASTA) program – cathode cleaning

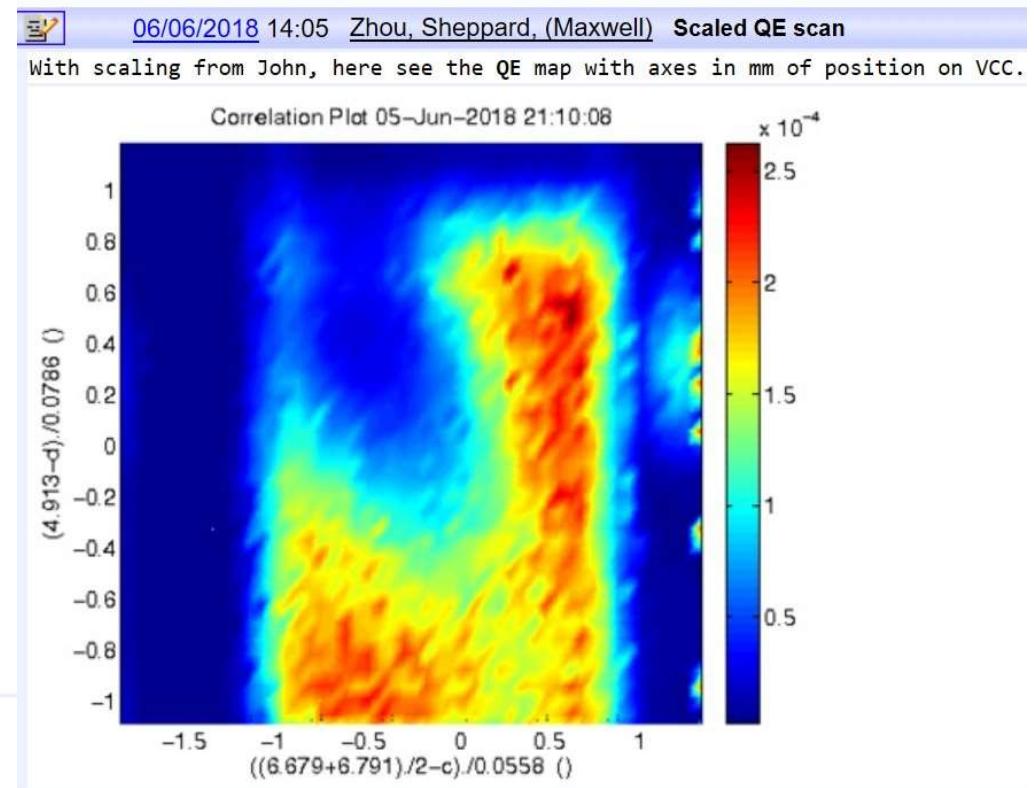
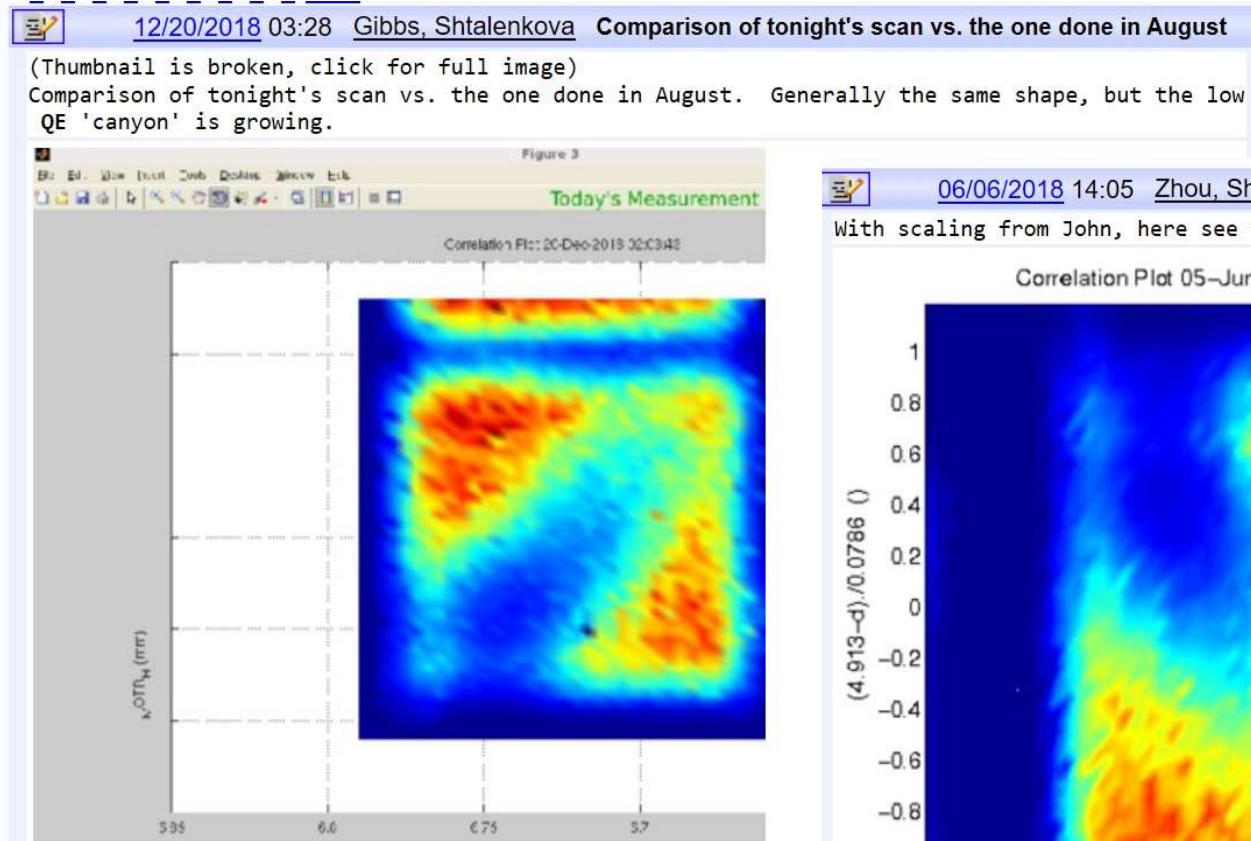


Ref: SLAC-PUB-16439

SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector

SLAC

- QE mapping of the Cu Cathode



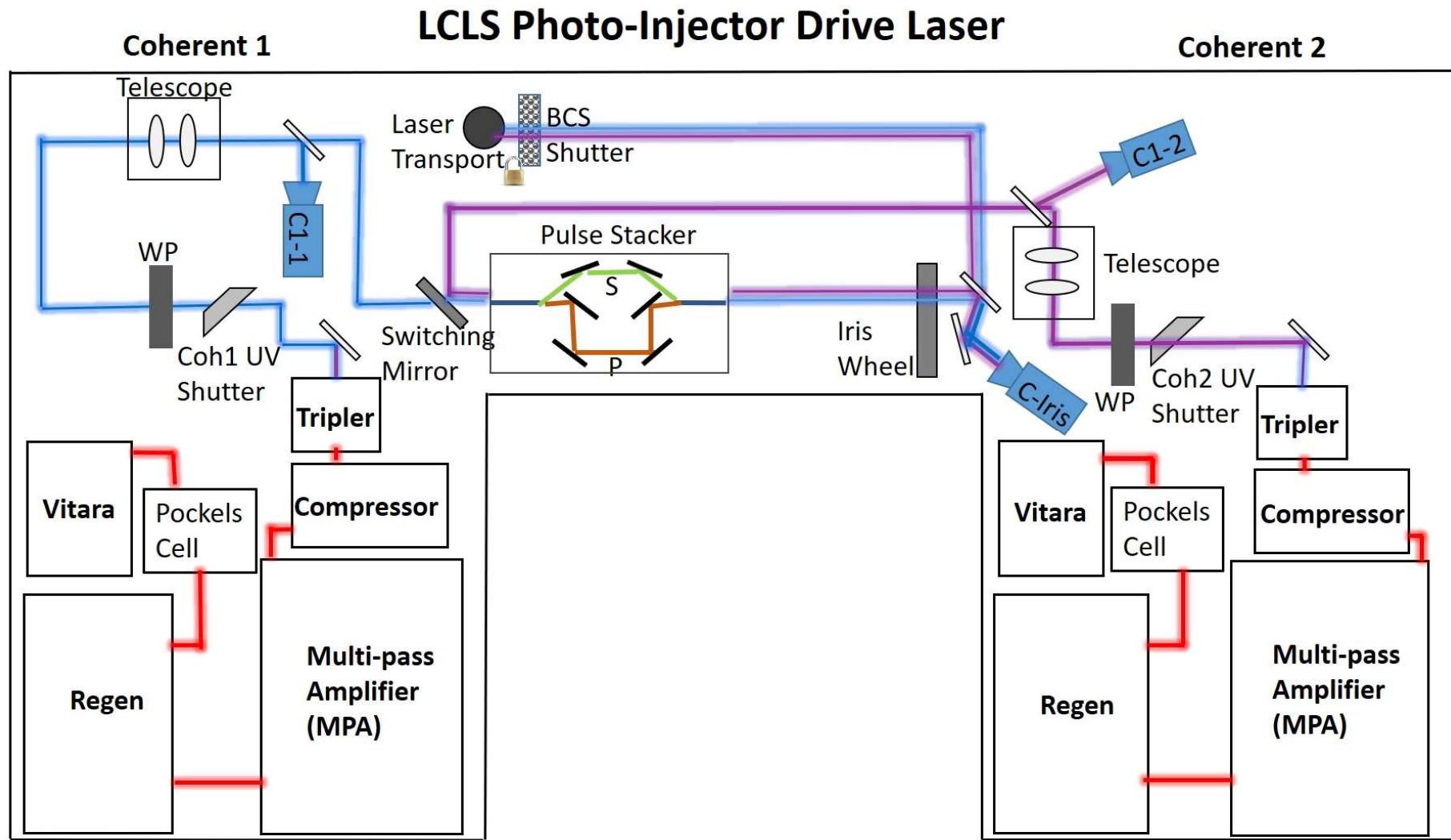
Outline

SLAC

- SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector
- **LCLS Laser System**
 - ❖ **Drive Laser System**
 - ❖ Laser Heater System
- Laser and e-Beam Performance
- LCLS Operation and User Delivery
- Future Developments
 - ❖ xLEAP
 - ❖ LCLS II
 - ❖ Machine Learning

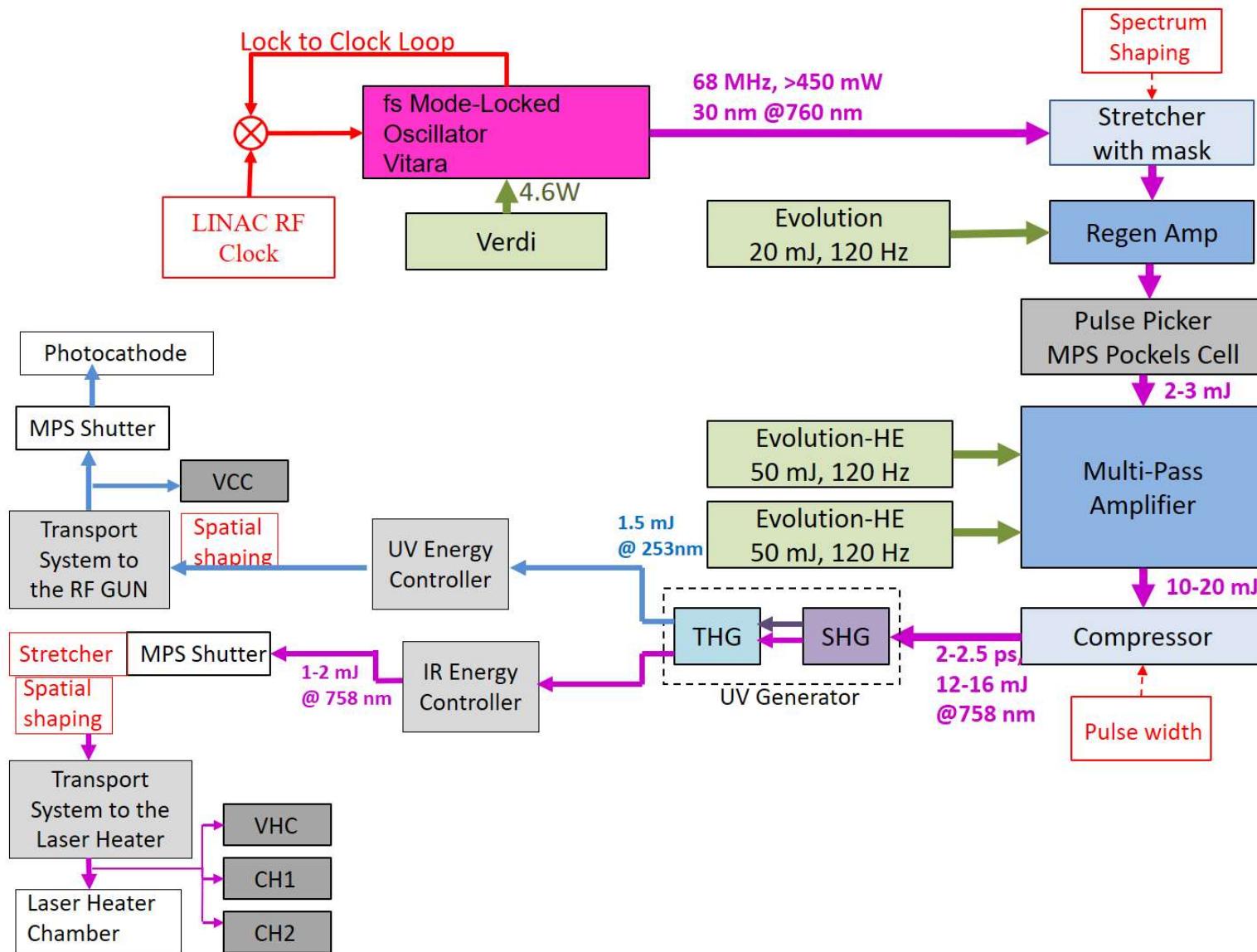
LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC



LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

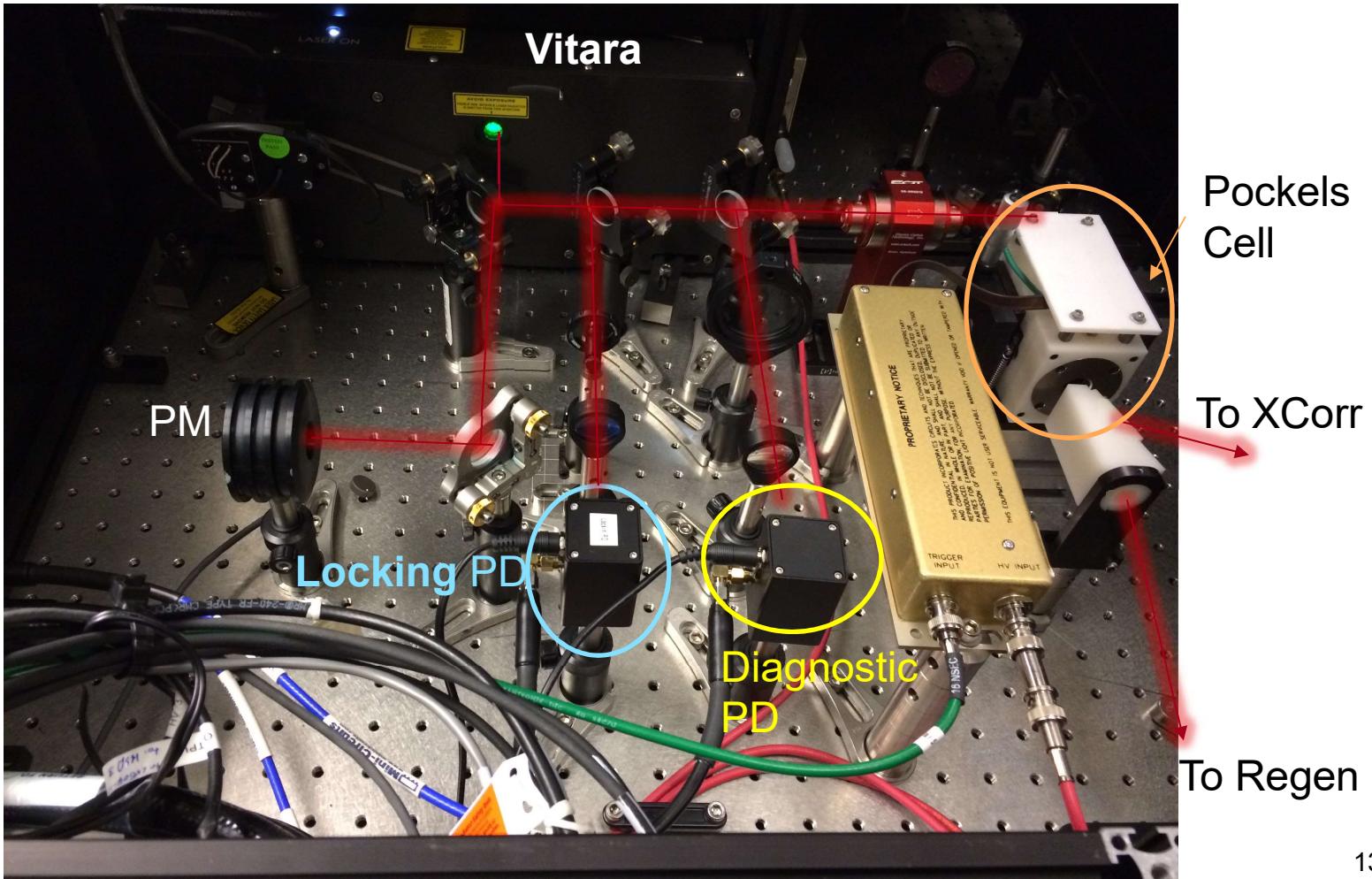
SLAC



LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

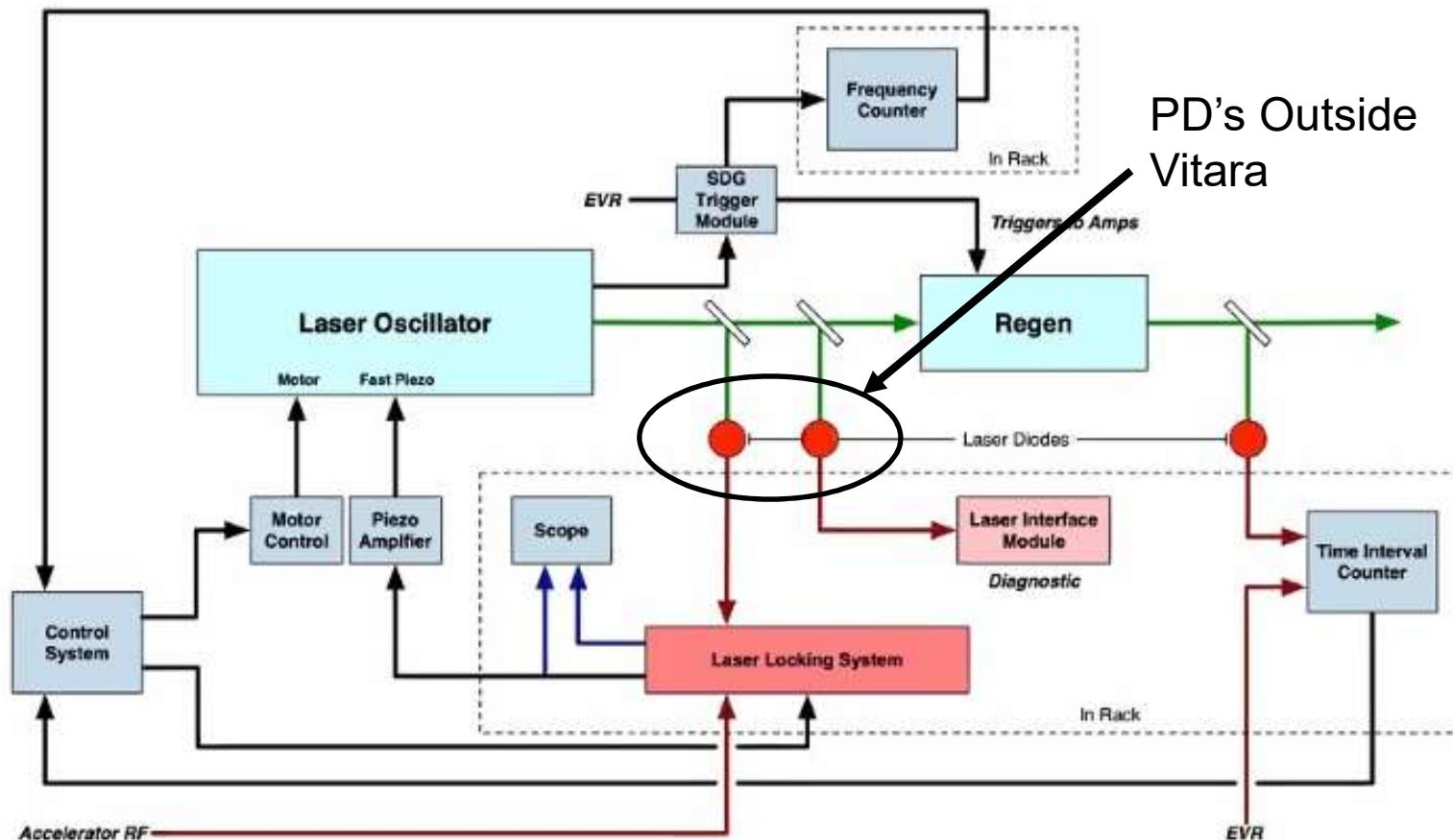
- Vitara output – Pulse picker and timing diagnostics



LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

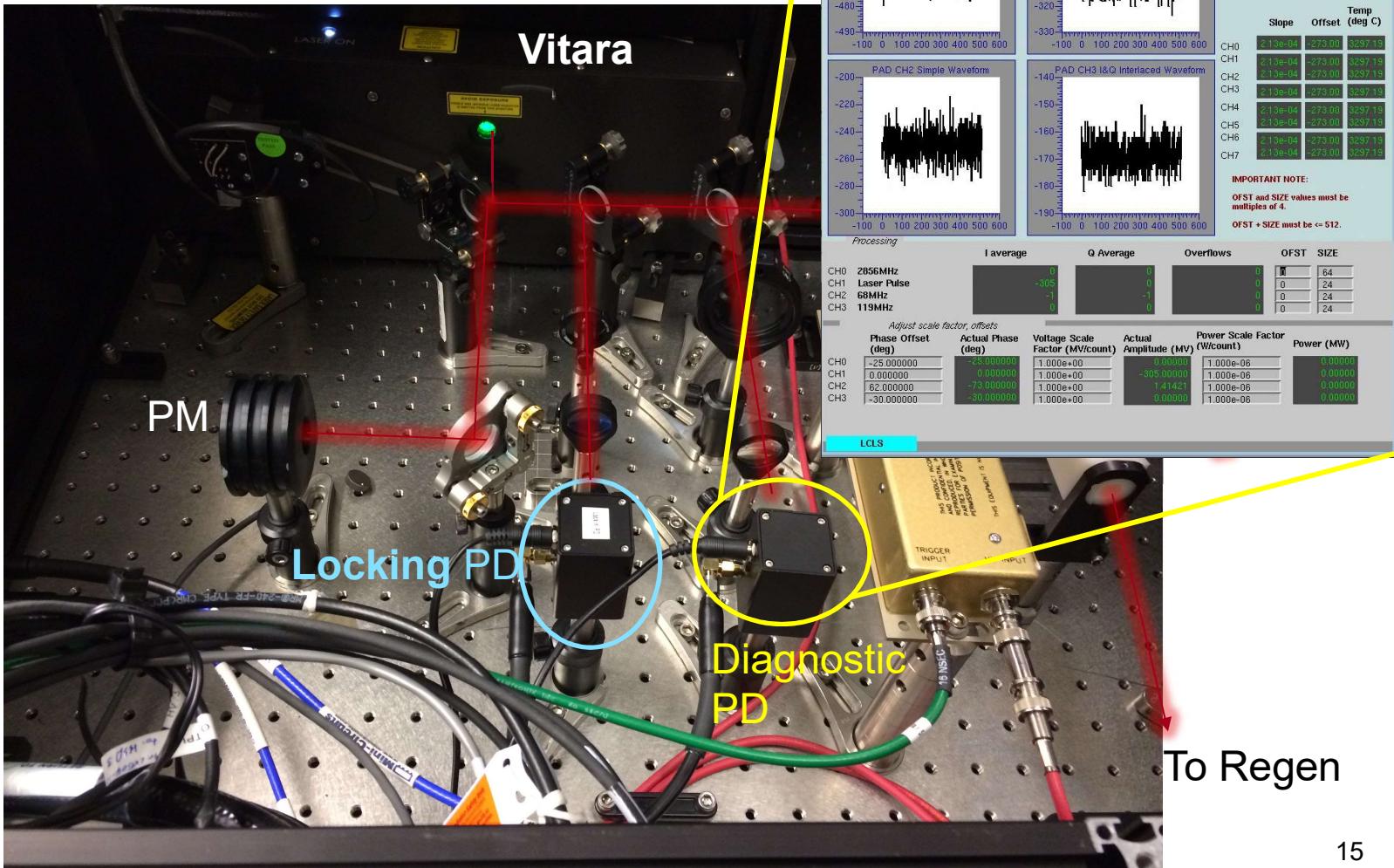
- Vitara output –timing diagnostics



Courtesy of Justin May

LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

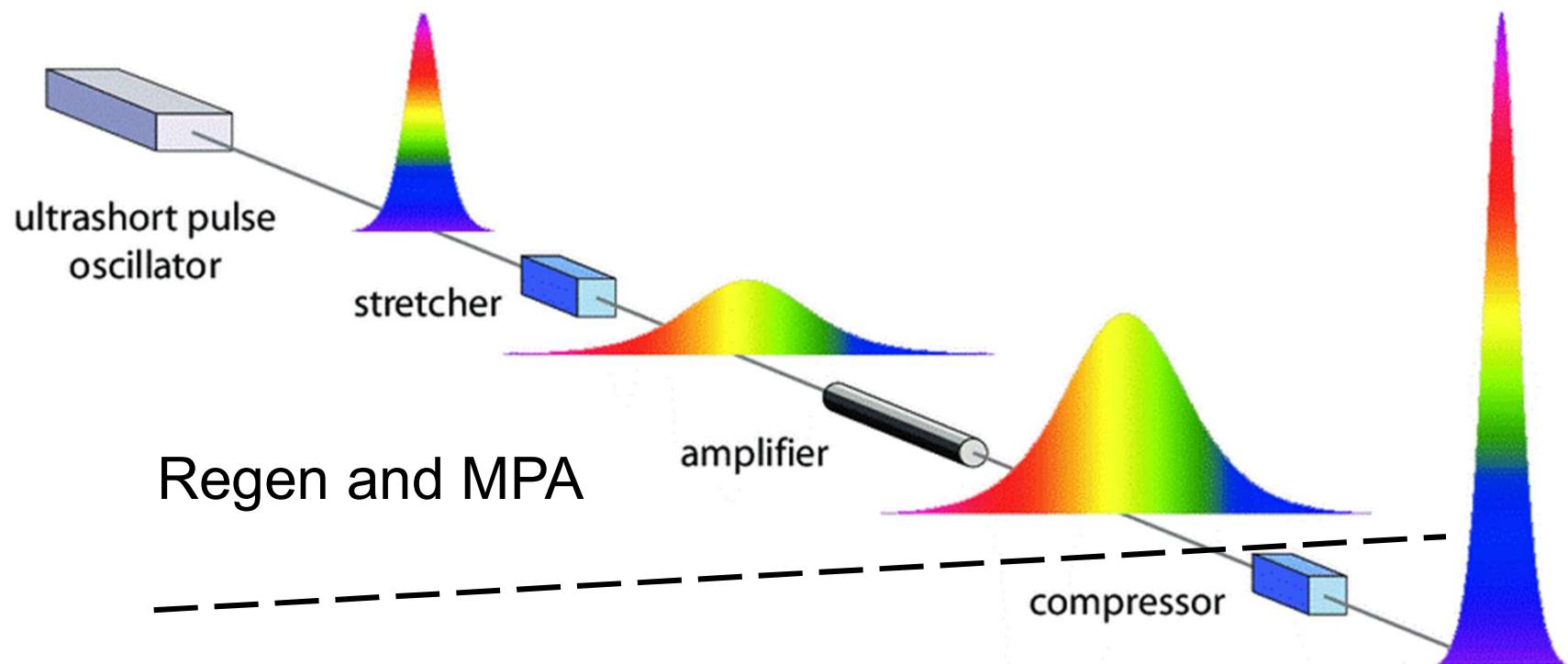
- Vitara output – Pulse picker and timing



LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

- Chirped Pulse Amplification – Strickland and Mourou, 2018 Nobel Prize

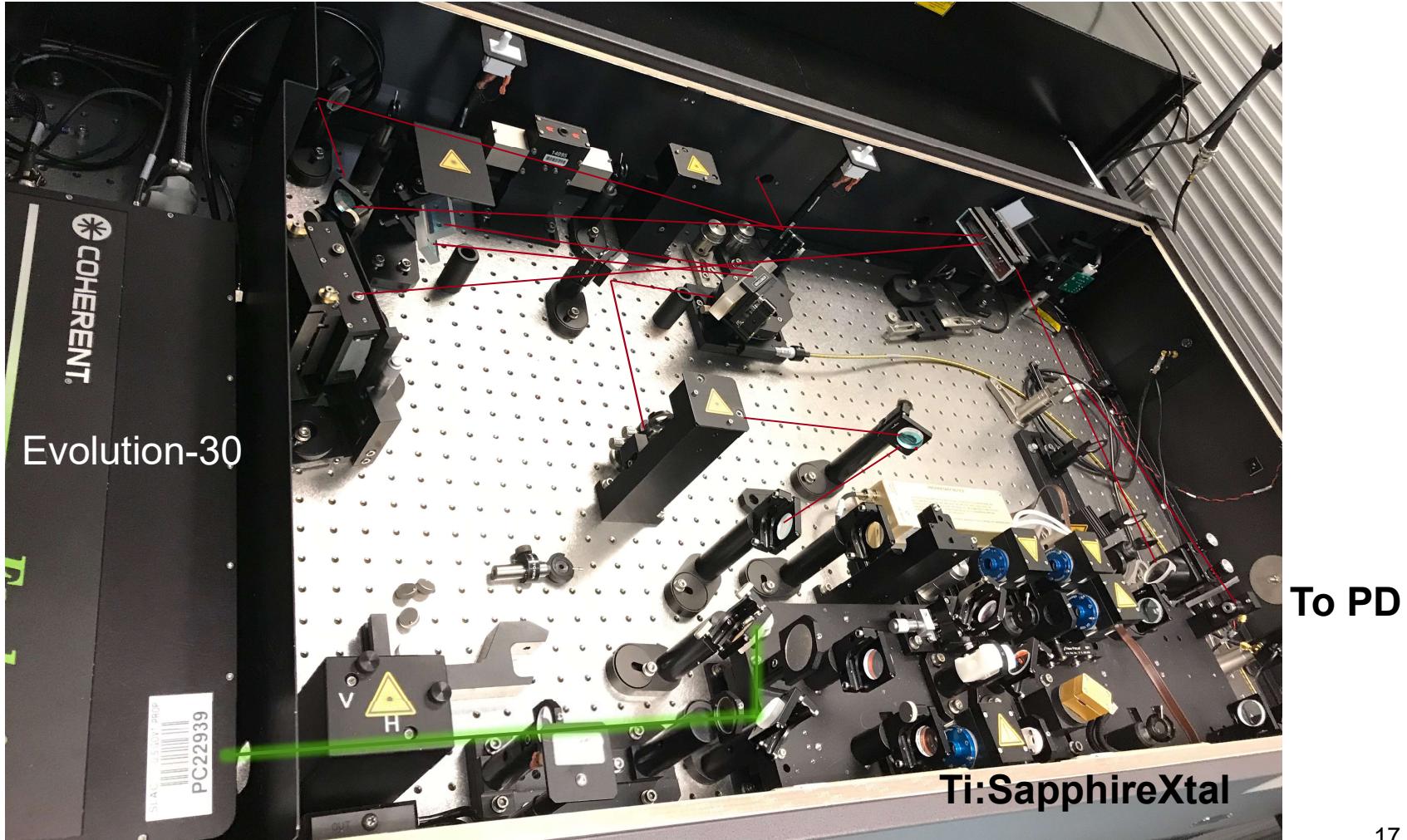


Courtesy of ResearchGate.net

LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

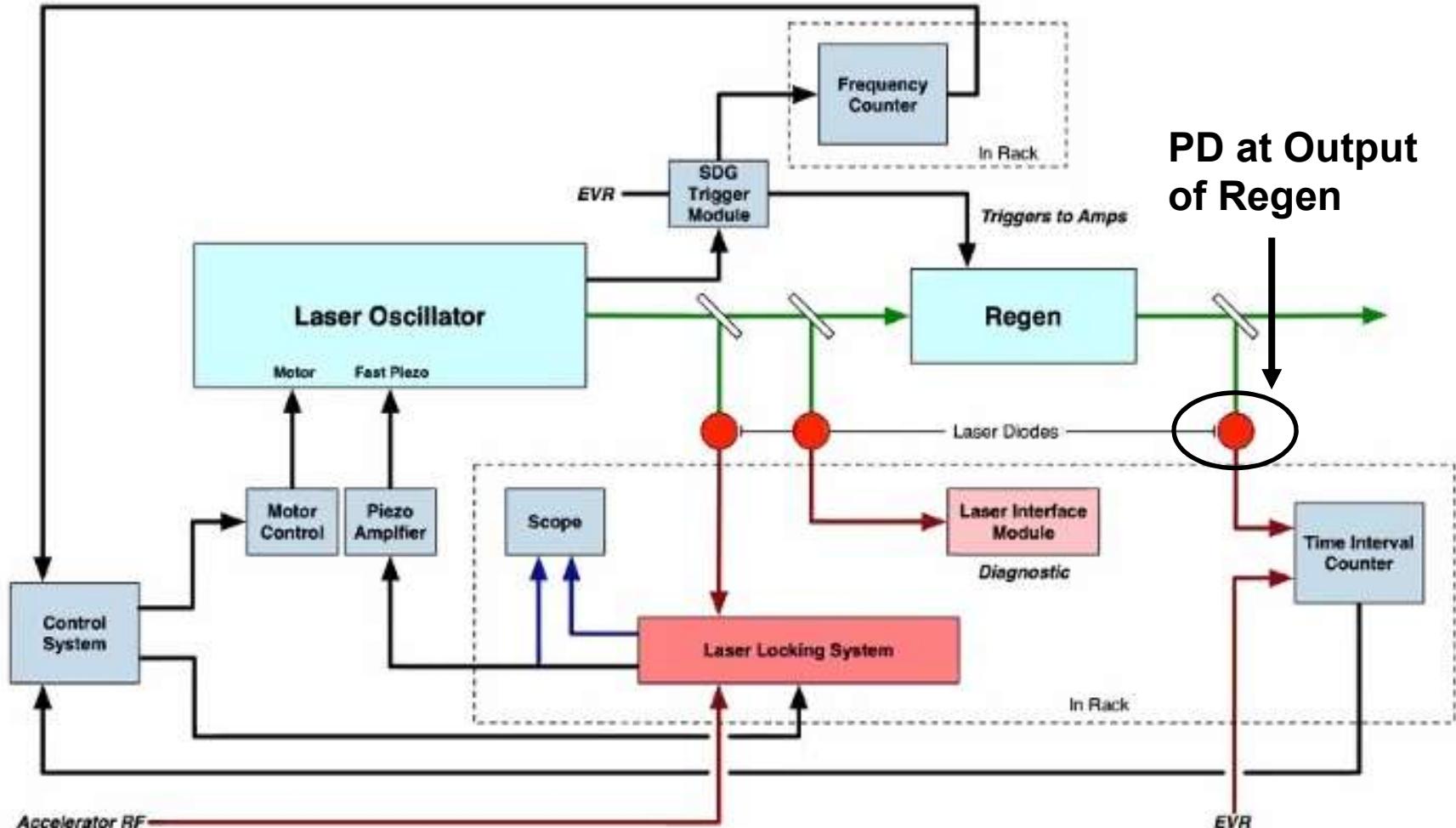
SLAC

- Regenerative Amplifier (Regen) aka Legend



LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

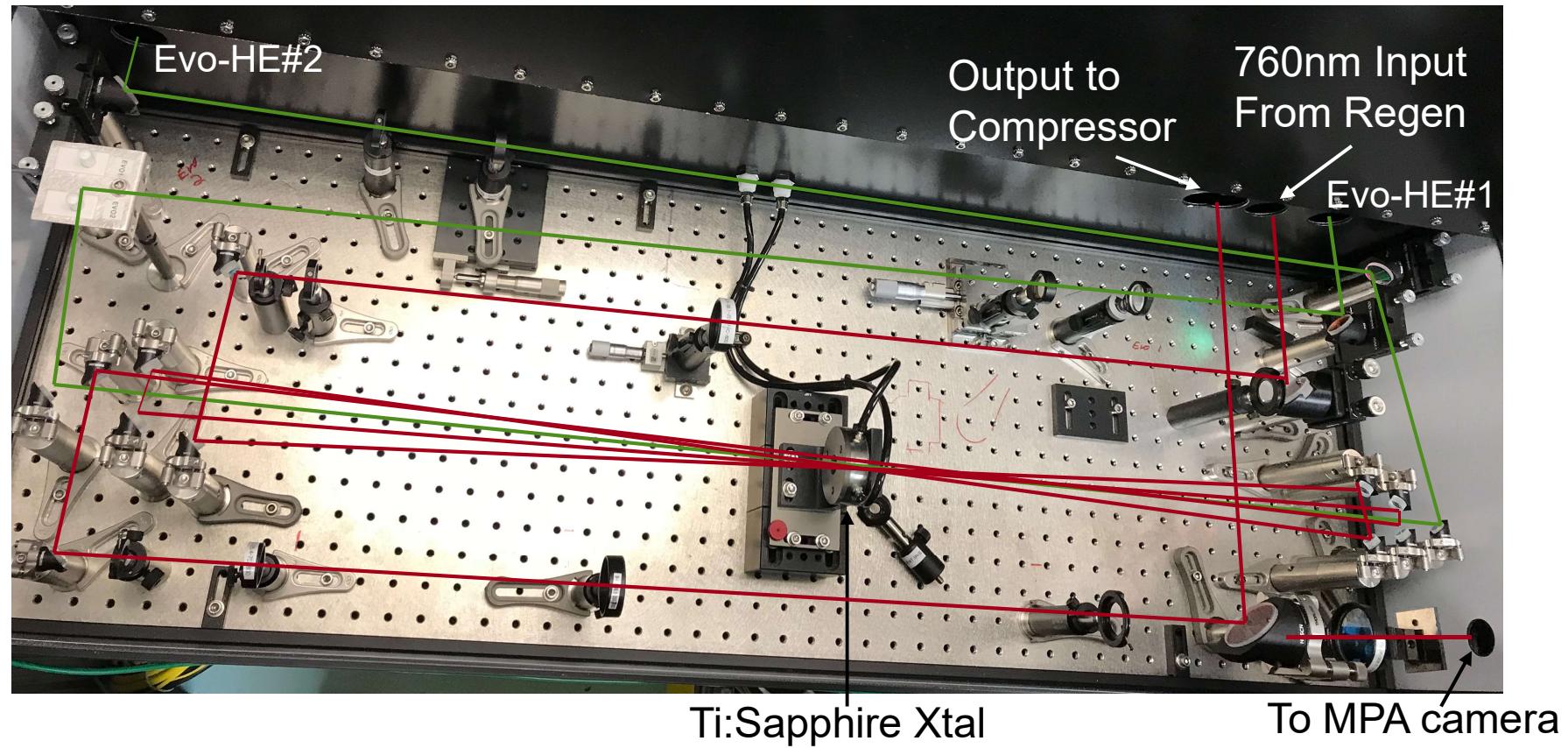


Courtesy of Justin May

LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

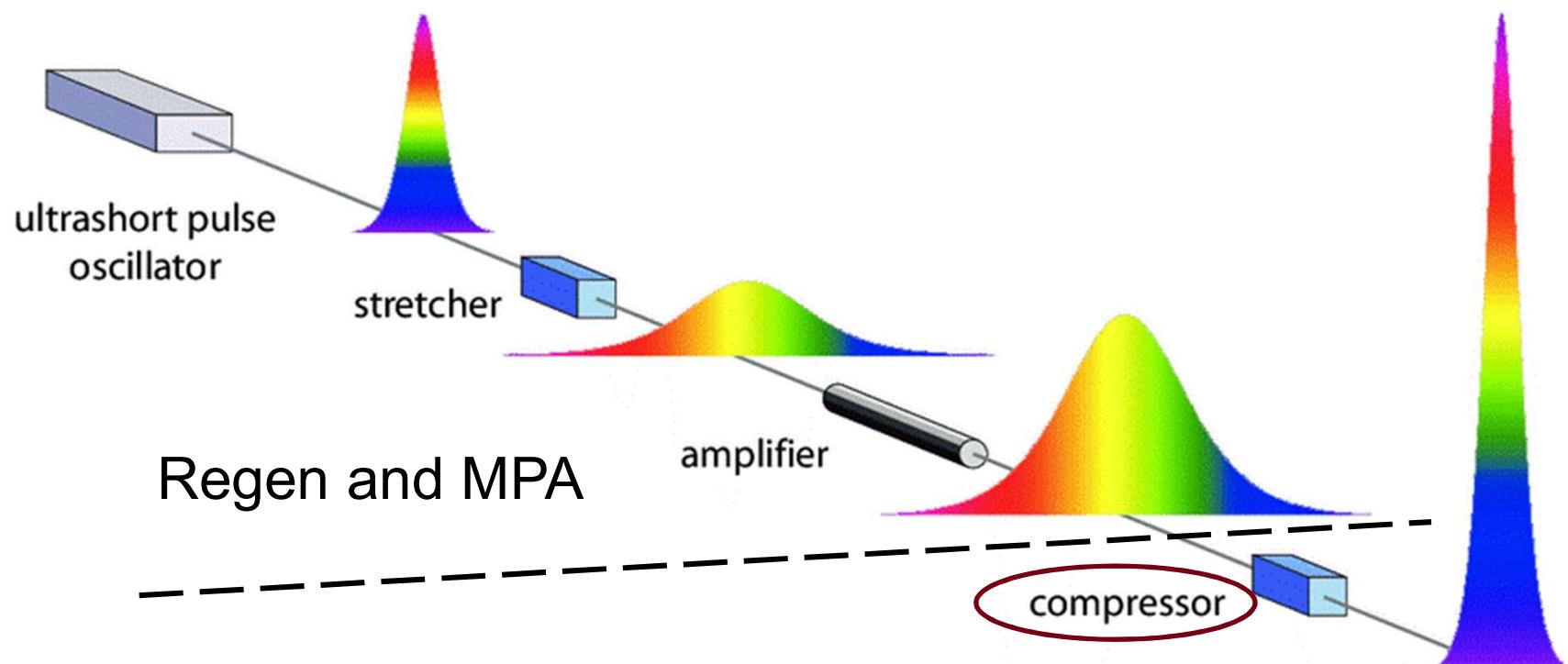
- Multi-Pass Amplifier (MPA)



LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

- Chirped Pulse Amplification – Strickland and Mourou, 2018 Nobel Prize

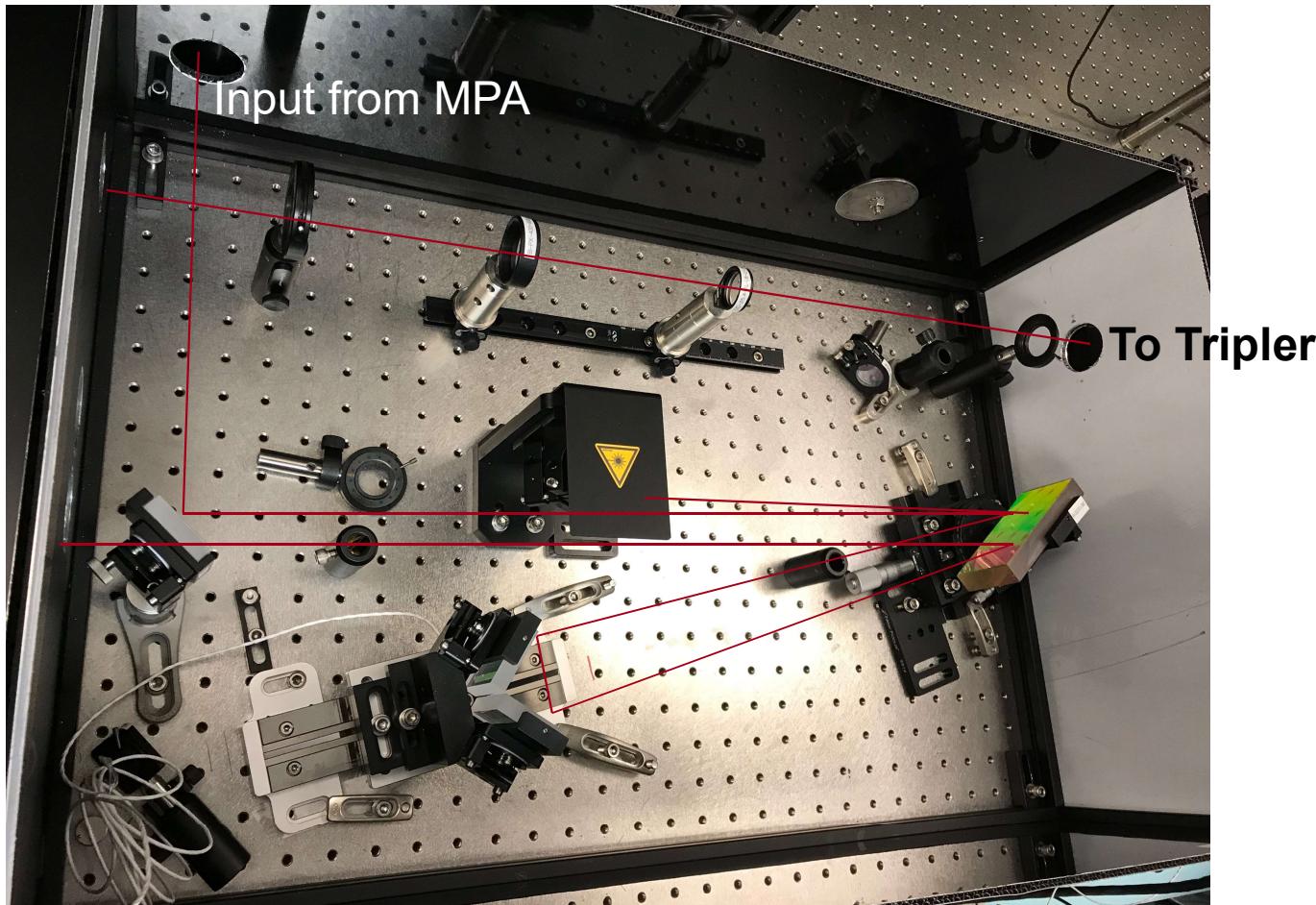


Courtesy of ResearchGate.net

LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

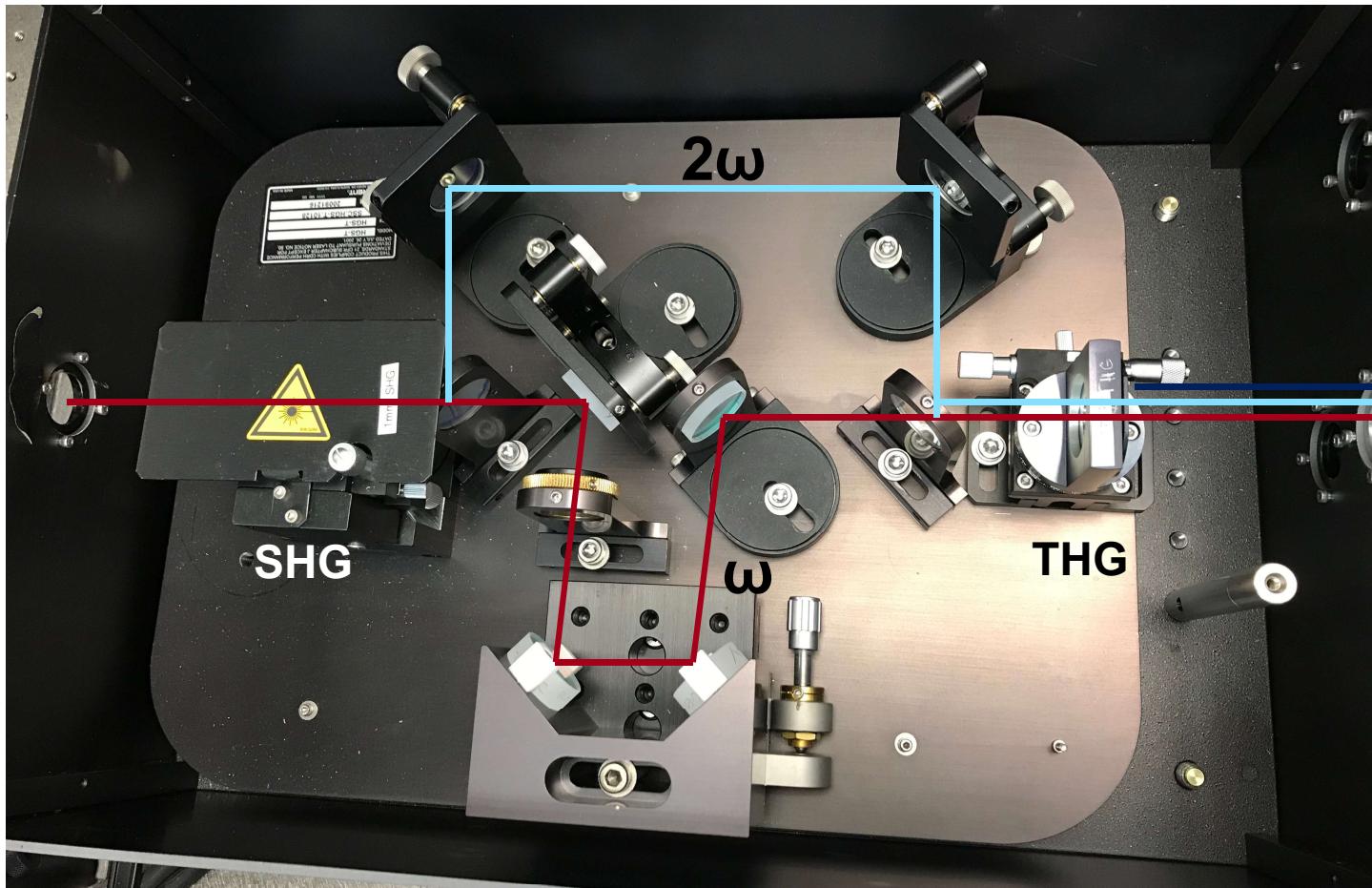
- Compressor – specification of 2-2.5ps UV pulse length



LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

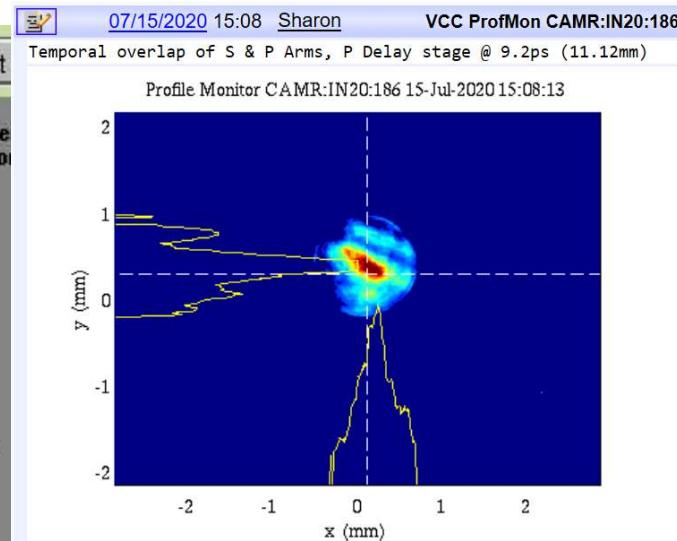
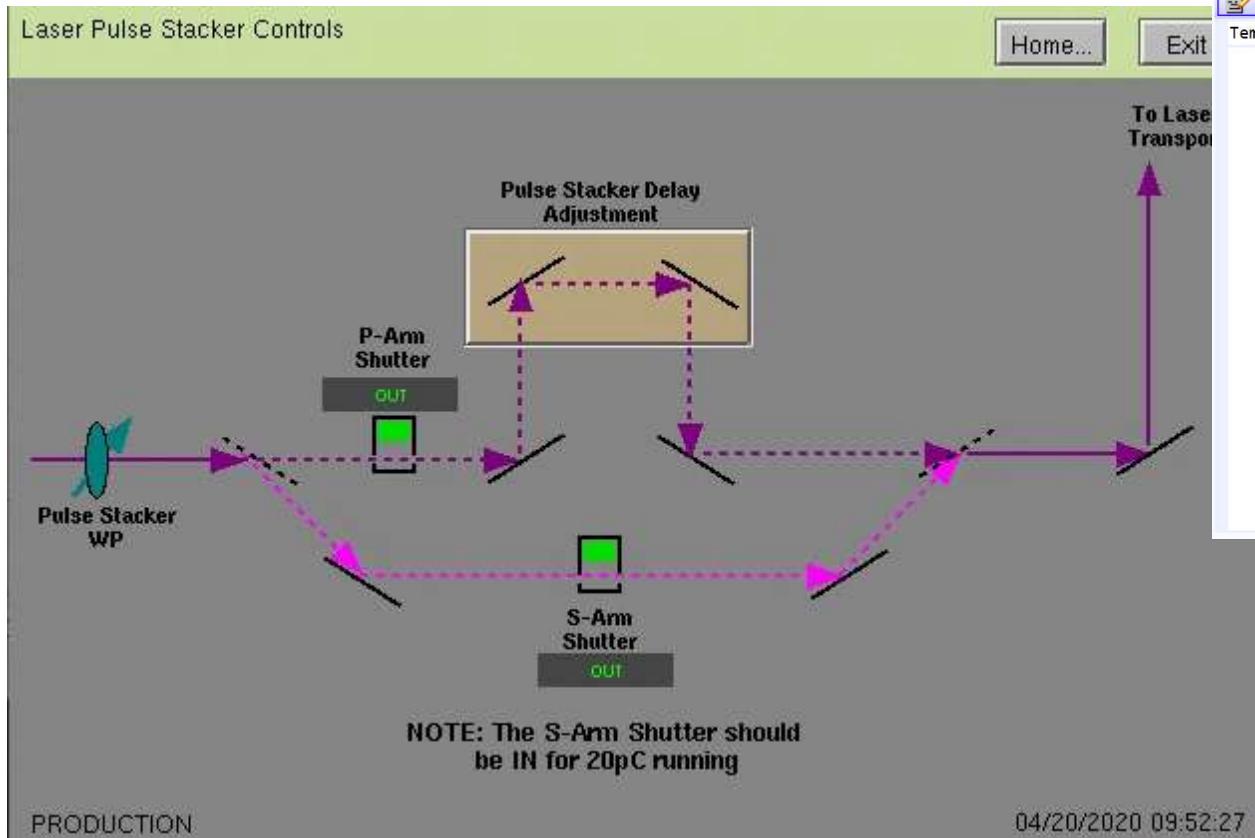
- Tripler – BBO crystals to achieve 253nm, ~10% efficiency



Laser Room Layout – Drive Laser System

SLAC

- Pulse Stacker – temporal profile requirement for the cathode, ~2ps stacked pulses provides ~4 ps (sharper rise/fall times) and better projected cathode emittance



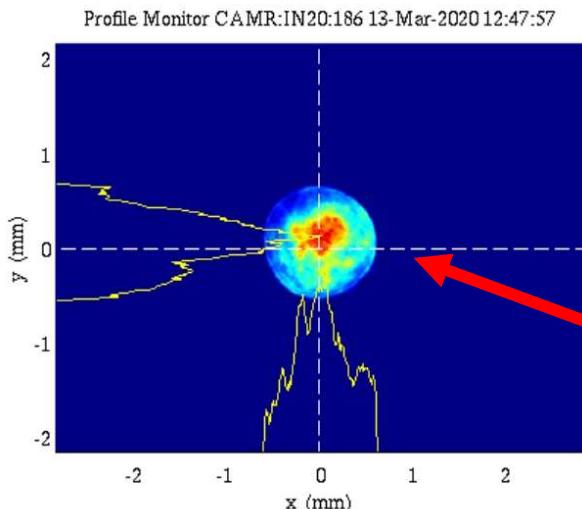
Fringe pattern –
Temporal overlap

LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

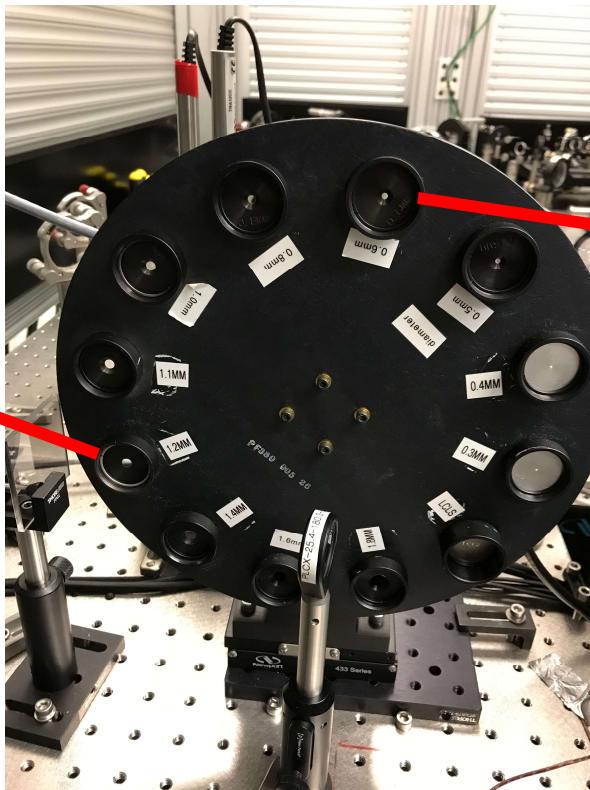
SLAC

- Iris Wheel – Imaging system to the cathode (4:1)
- Nominal charge of 250pC, iris size 1.2mm
- Lower charge such as 20pC, smaller iris size

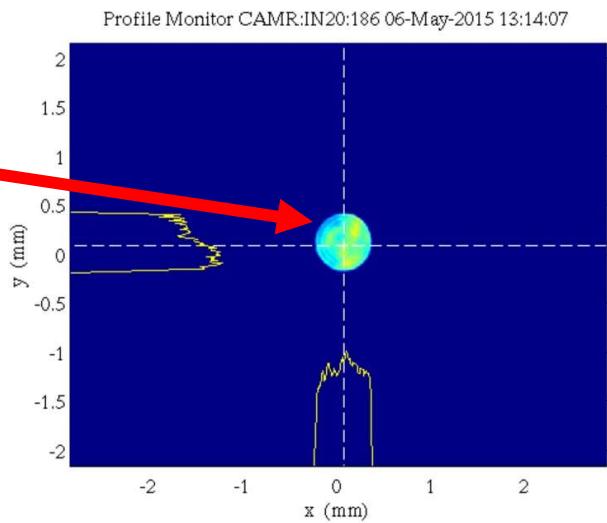
1.2mm Iris



VCC



0.6mm Iris



VCC

LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

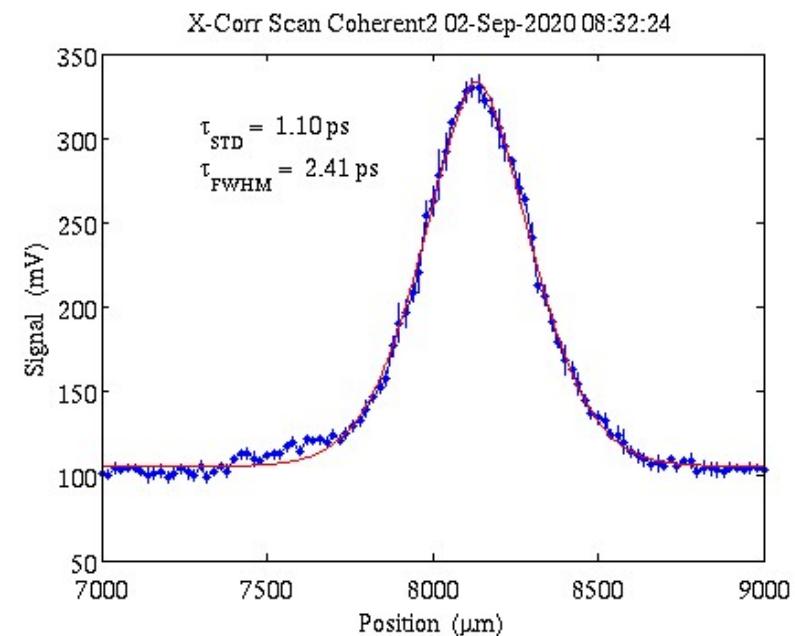
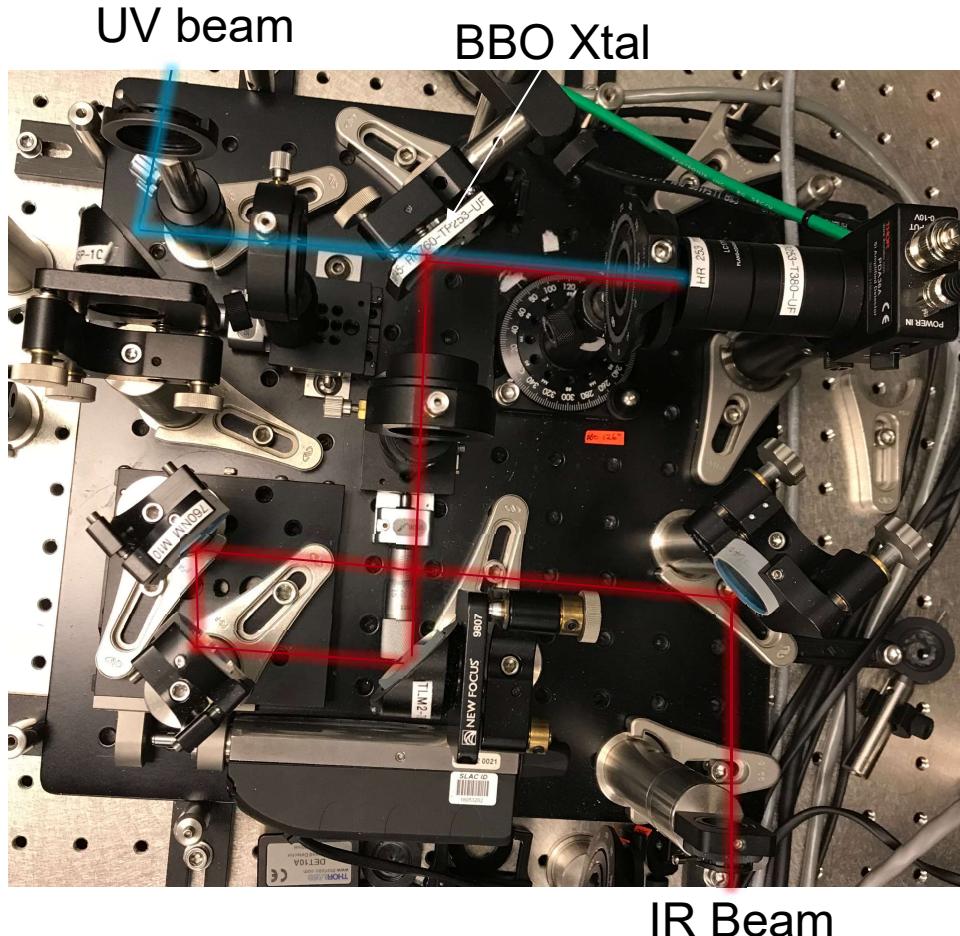
- Cameras – Manta cameras, Pulnix cameras in Vault for VCC, CH1 & VHC
- Power Meters- Coherent



LCLS Laser System - Drive Laser System

SLAC

- Cross-Correlator – measurement of UV pulse length



Outline

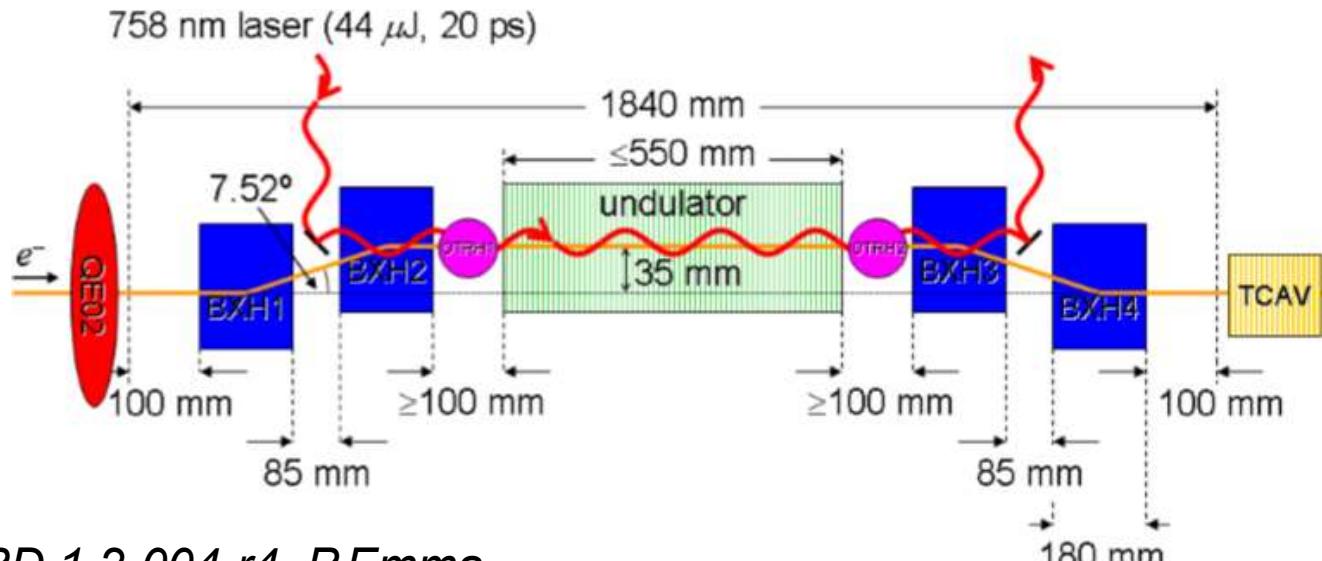
SLAC

- SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector
- **LCLS Laser System**
 - ❖ Drive Laser System
 - ❖ **Laser Heater System**
- Laser and e-Beam Performance
- LCLS Operation and User Delivery
- Future Developments
 - ❖ xLEAP
 - ❖ LCLS II
 - ❖ Machine Learning

LCLS Laser System – Laser Heater System

SLAC

- Why do we need the laser heater?
- Microbunching instabilities (MBI)
- Overlap of laser and electron beam gives energy modulation
- growth of slice energy spread to suppress instabilities and make the longitudinal phase space more manageable

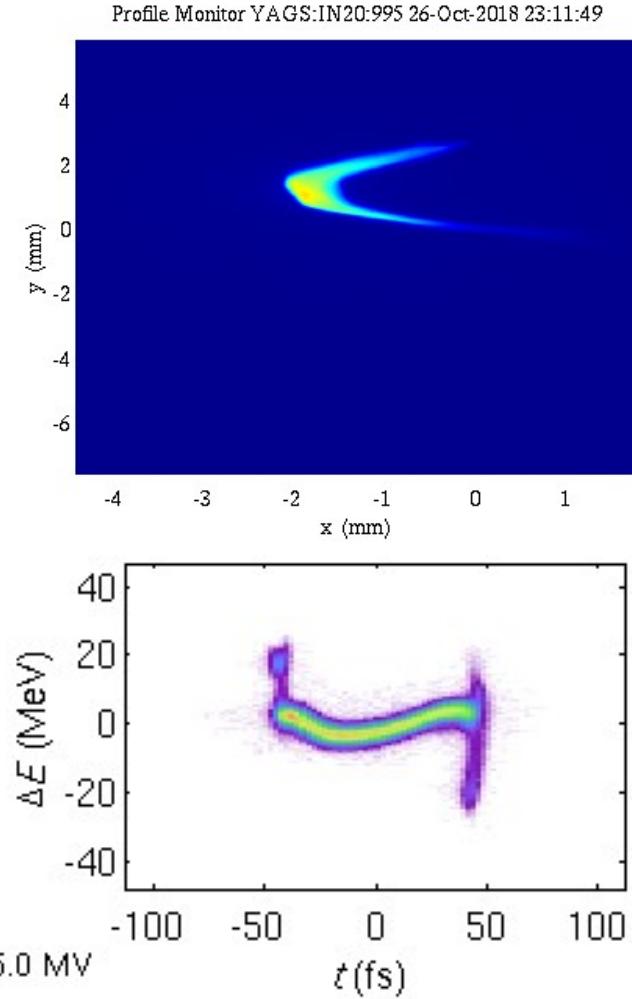
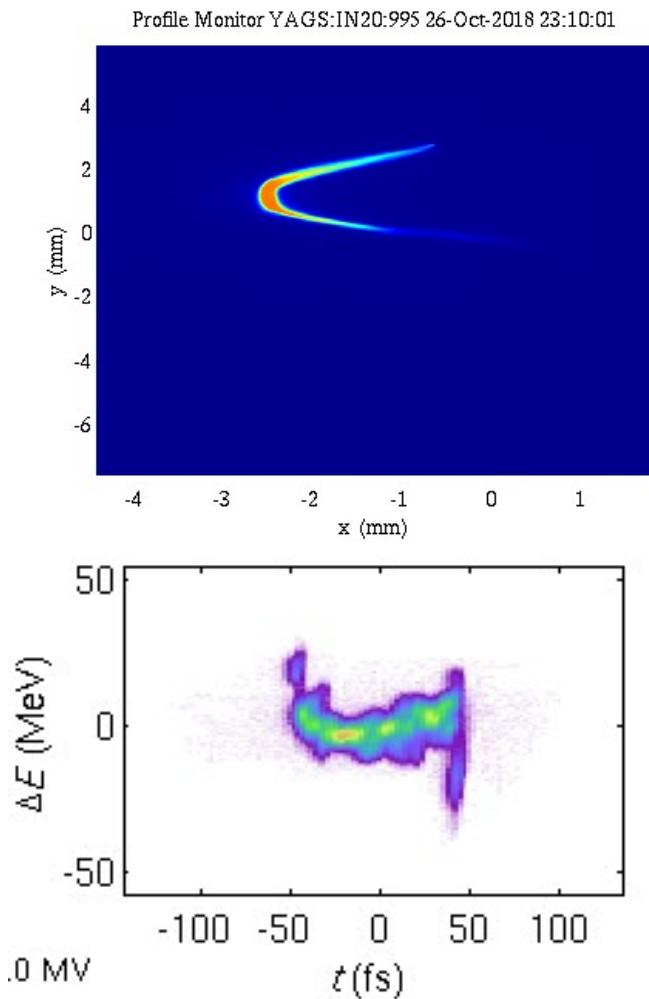


Ref: PRD 1.2-004-r4, P.Emma

LCLS Laser System – Laser Heater System

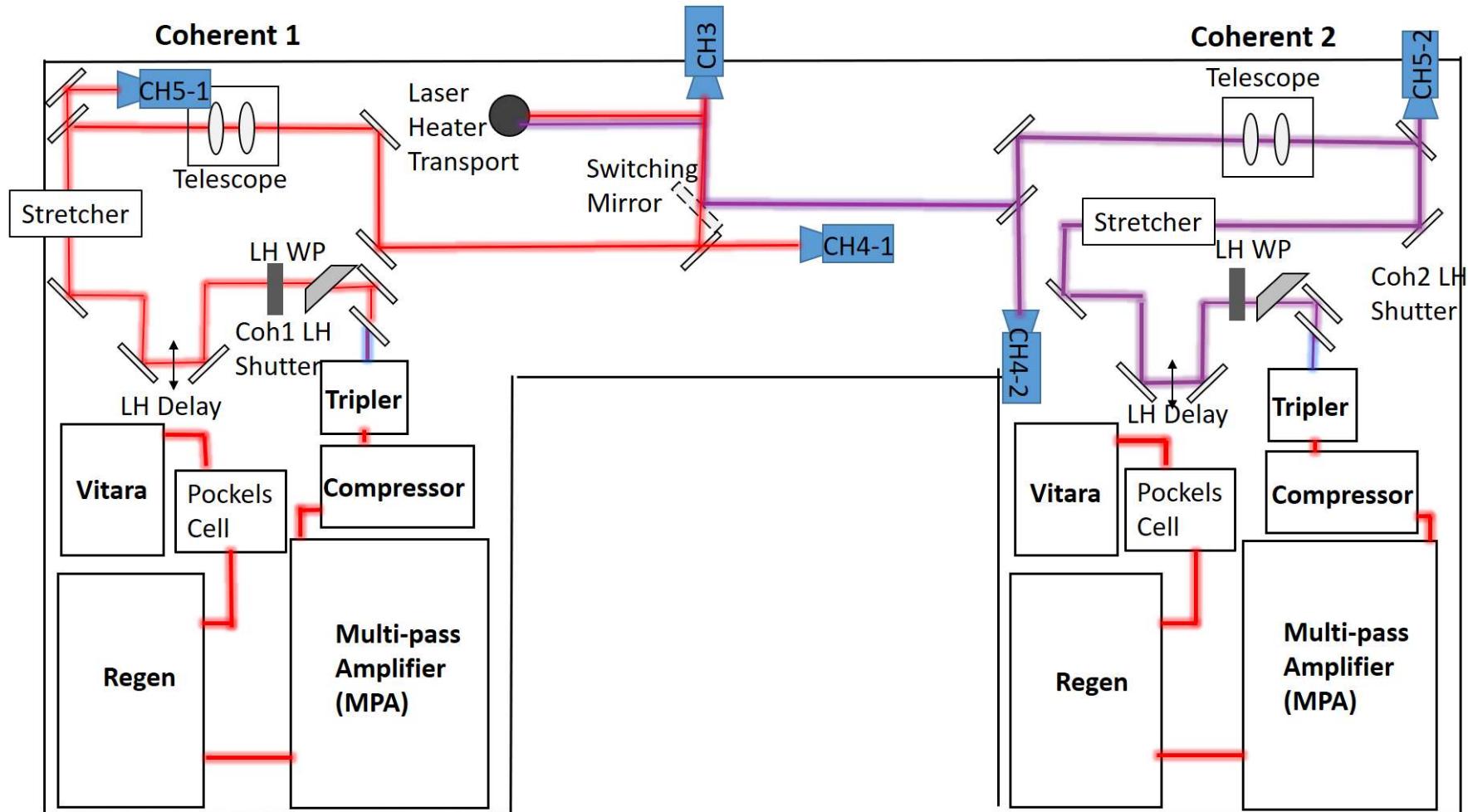
SLAC

- Laser Heater OFF vs Laser Heater ON



LCLS Laser System – Laser Heater System

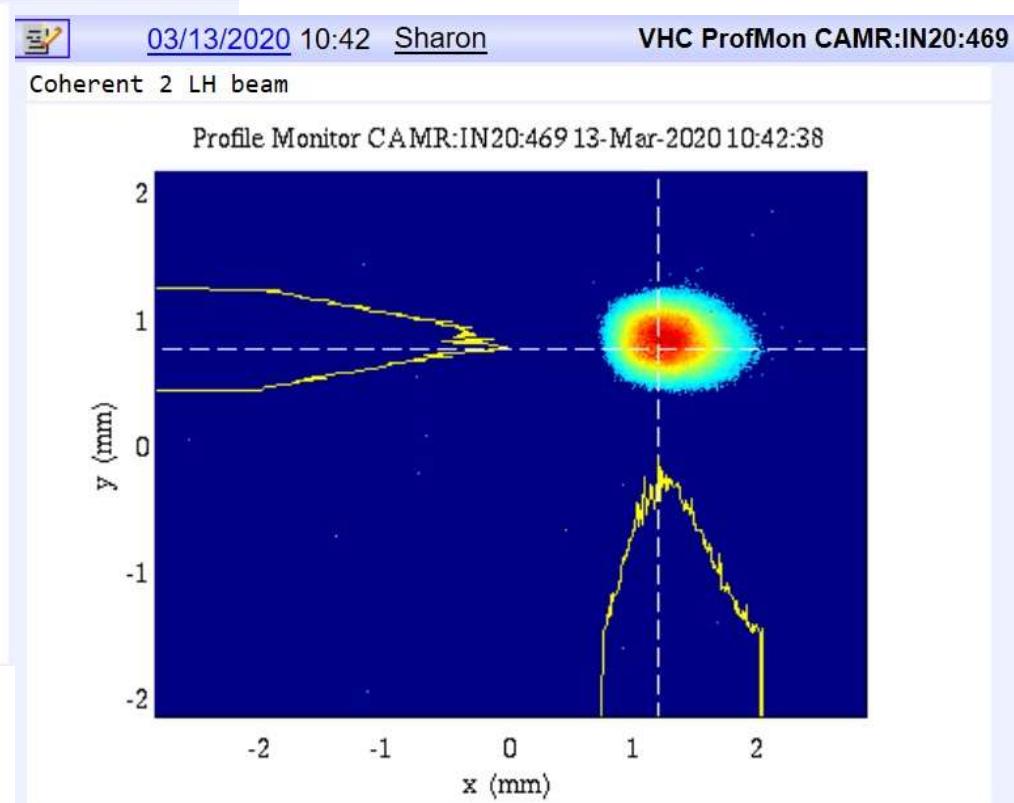
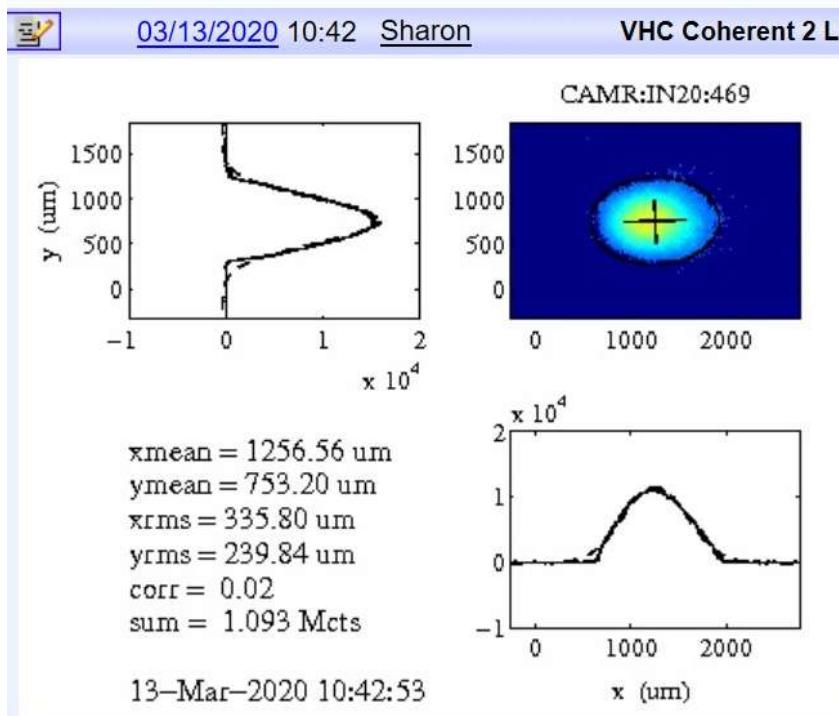
SLAC



LCLS Laser System – Laser Heater System

SLAC

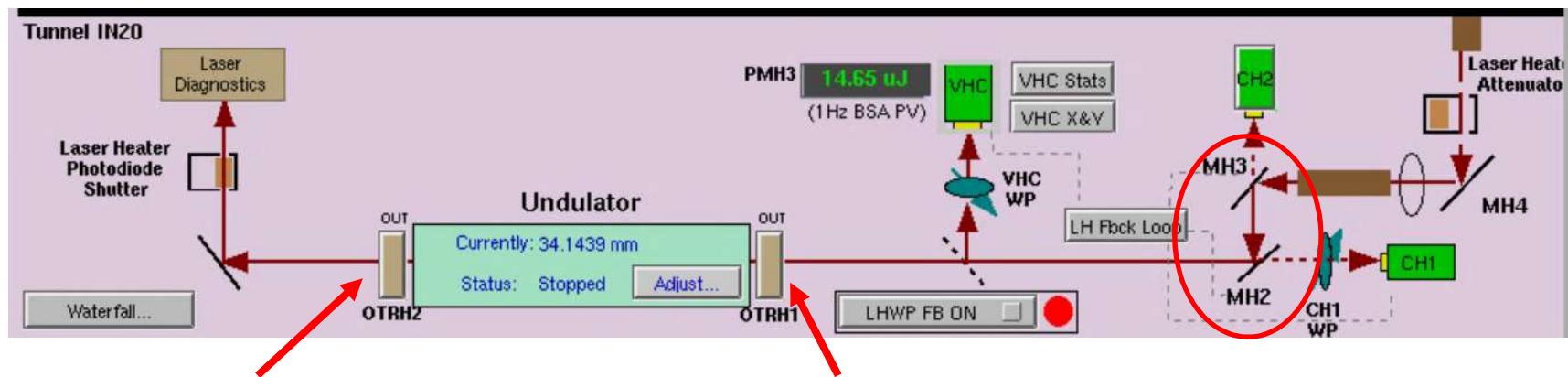
- VHC – Image of beam inside the undulator



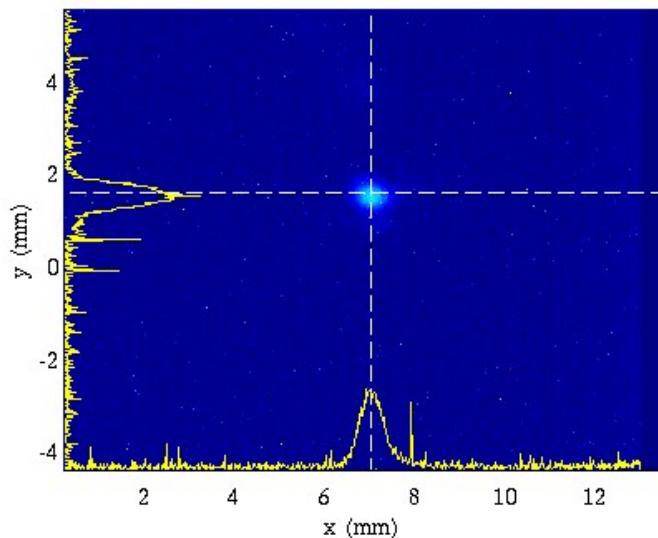
LCLS Laser System – Laser Heater System

SLAC

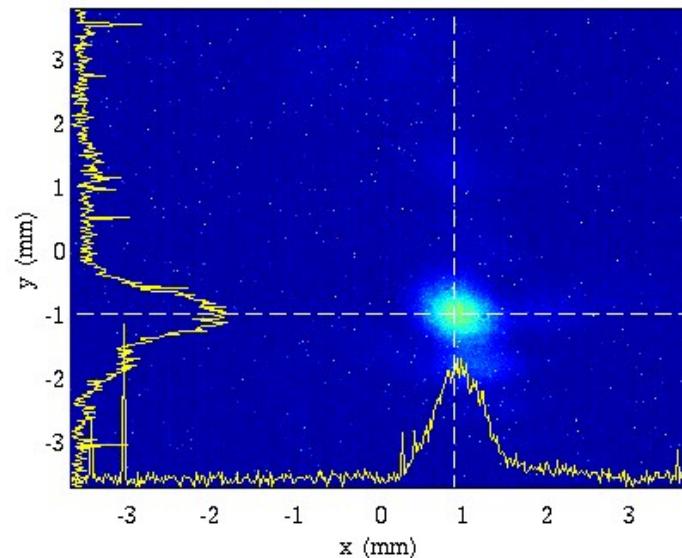
- Laser Heater Transverse alignment



Profile Monitor OTRS:IN20:471 27-Aug-2020 09:50:54



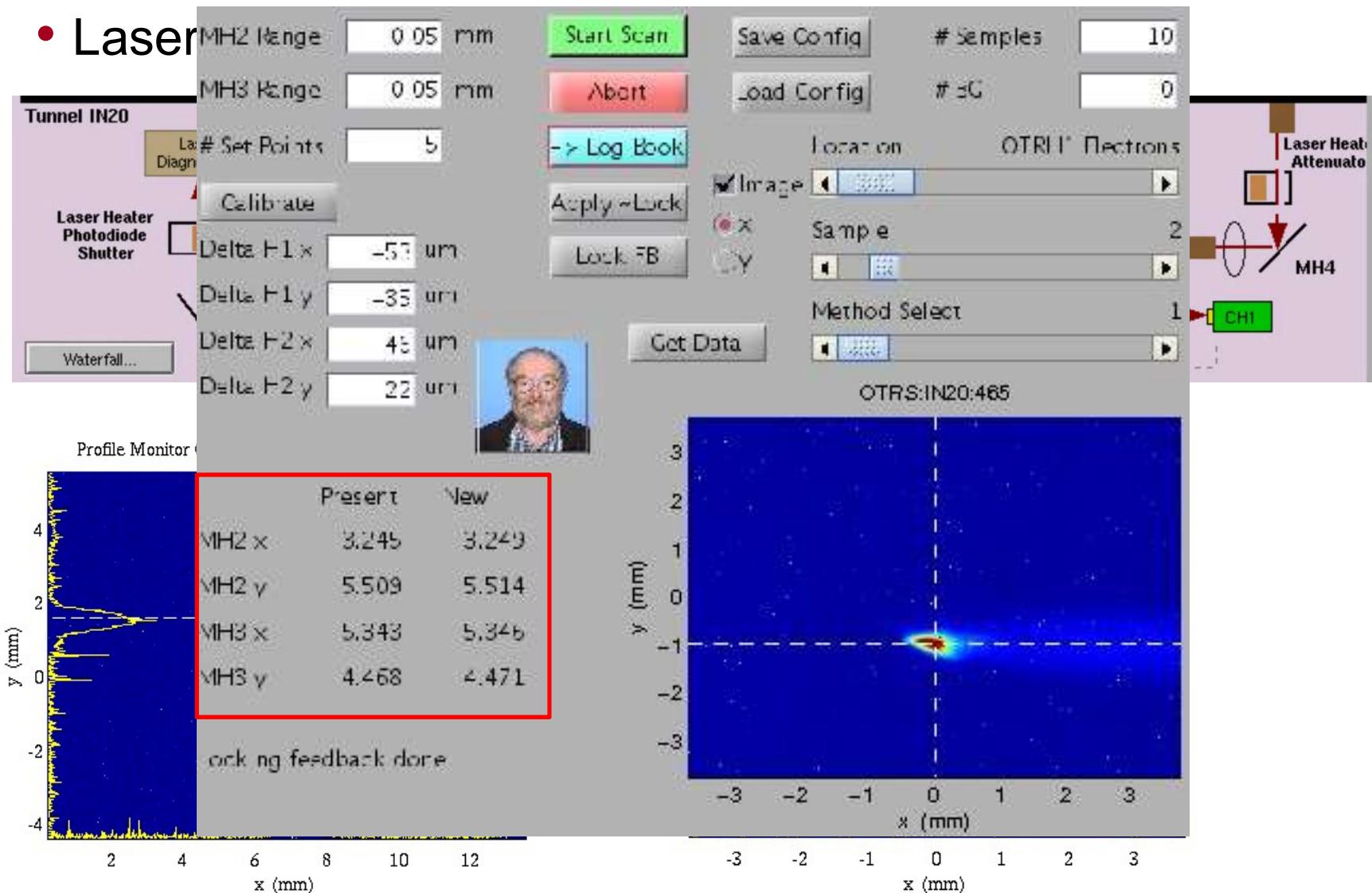
Profile Monitor OTRS:IN20:465 27-Aug-2020 09:50:11



LCLS Laser System – Laser Heater System

SLAC

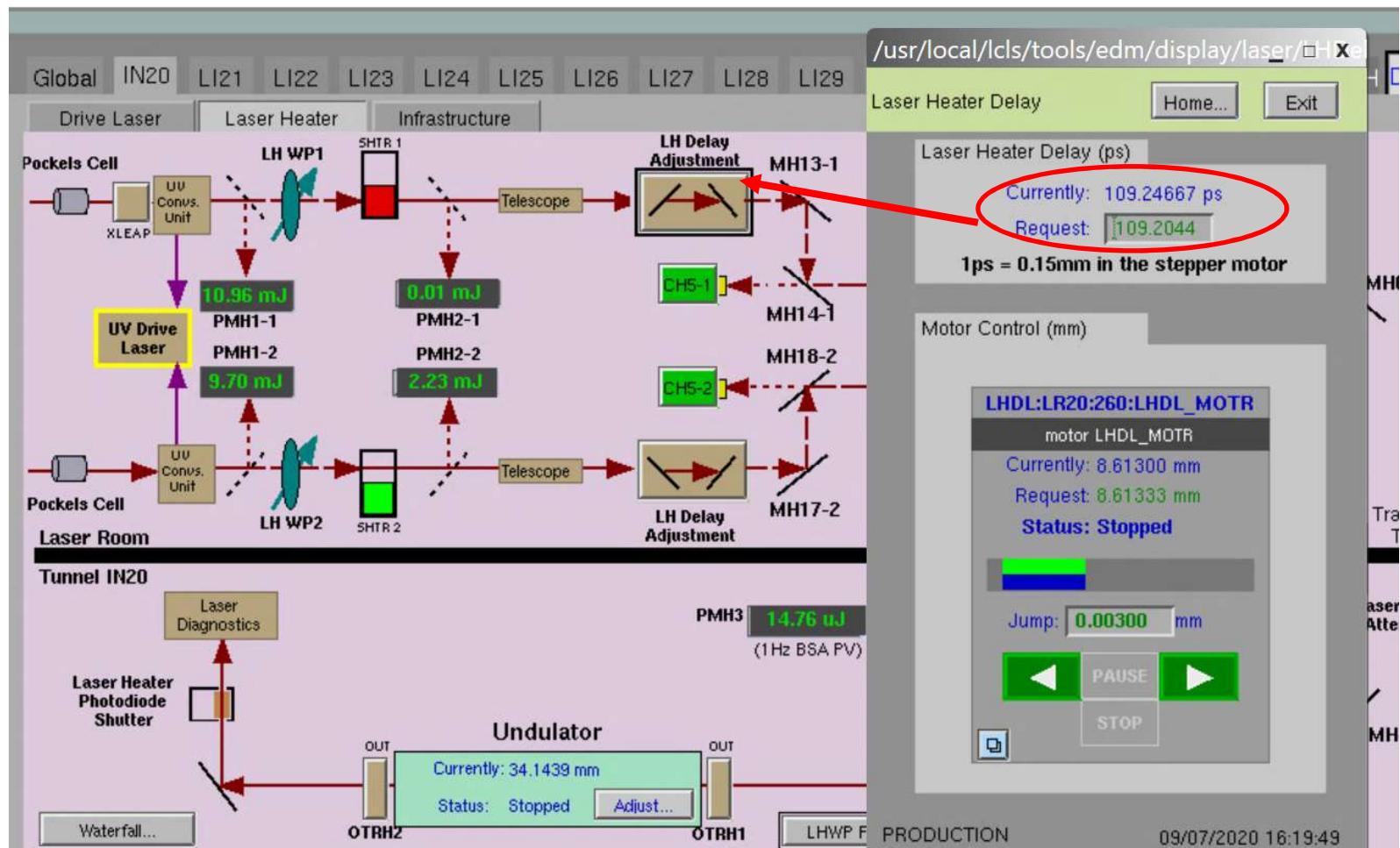
- Laser



LCLS Laser System – Laser Heater System

SLAC

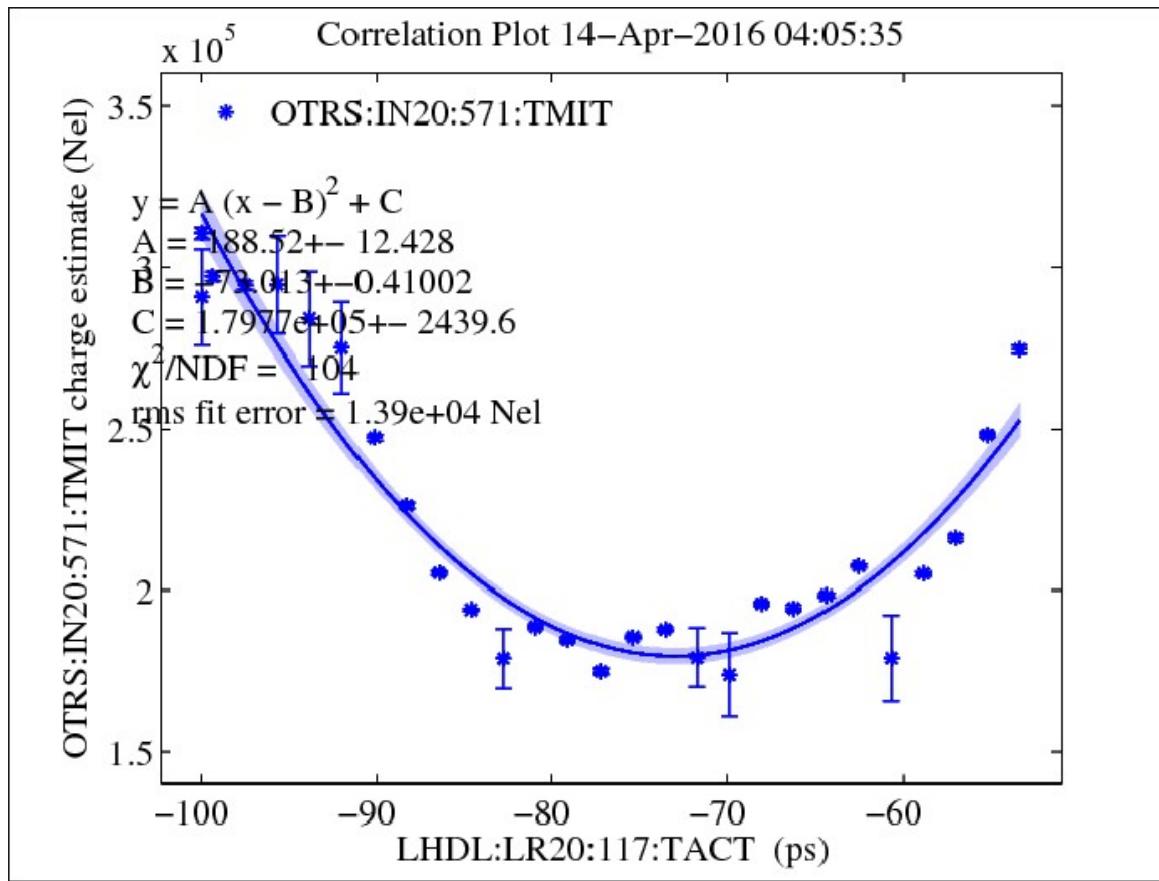
- Laser Heater Temporal alignment



LCLS Laser System – Laser Heater System

SLAC

- Laser Heater Temporal alignment



Outline

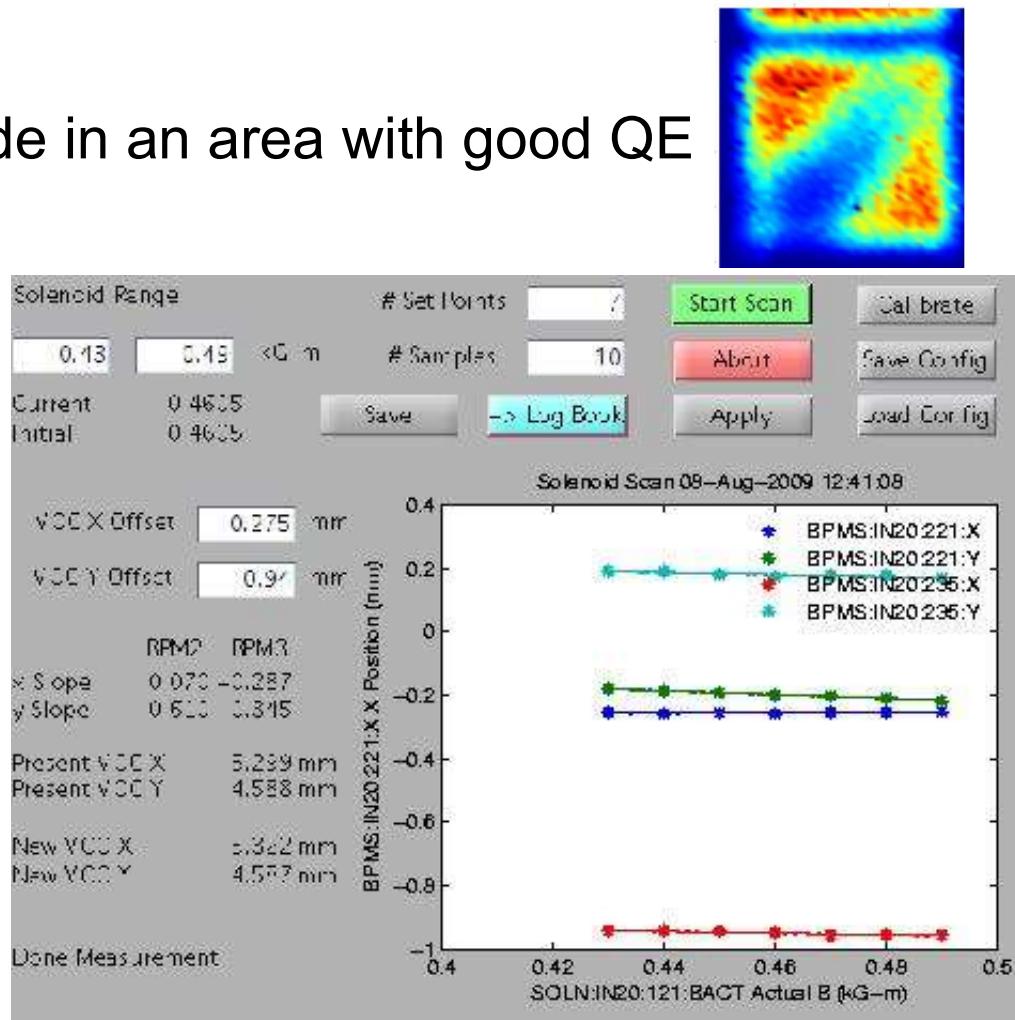
SLAC

- SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector
- LCLS Laser System
 - ❖ Drive Laser System
 - ❖ Laser Heater System
- **Laser and e-Beam Performance**
- LCLS Operation and User Delivery
- Future Developments
 - ❖ xLEAP
 - ❖ LCLS II
 - ❖ Machine Learning

Laser and e-Beam Performance

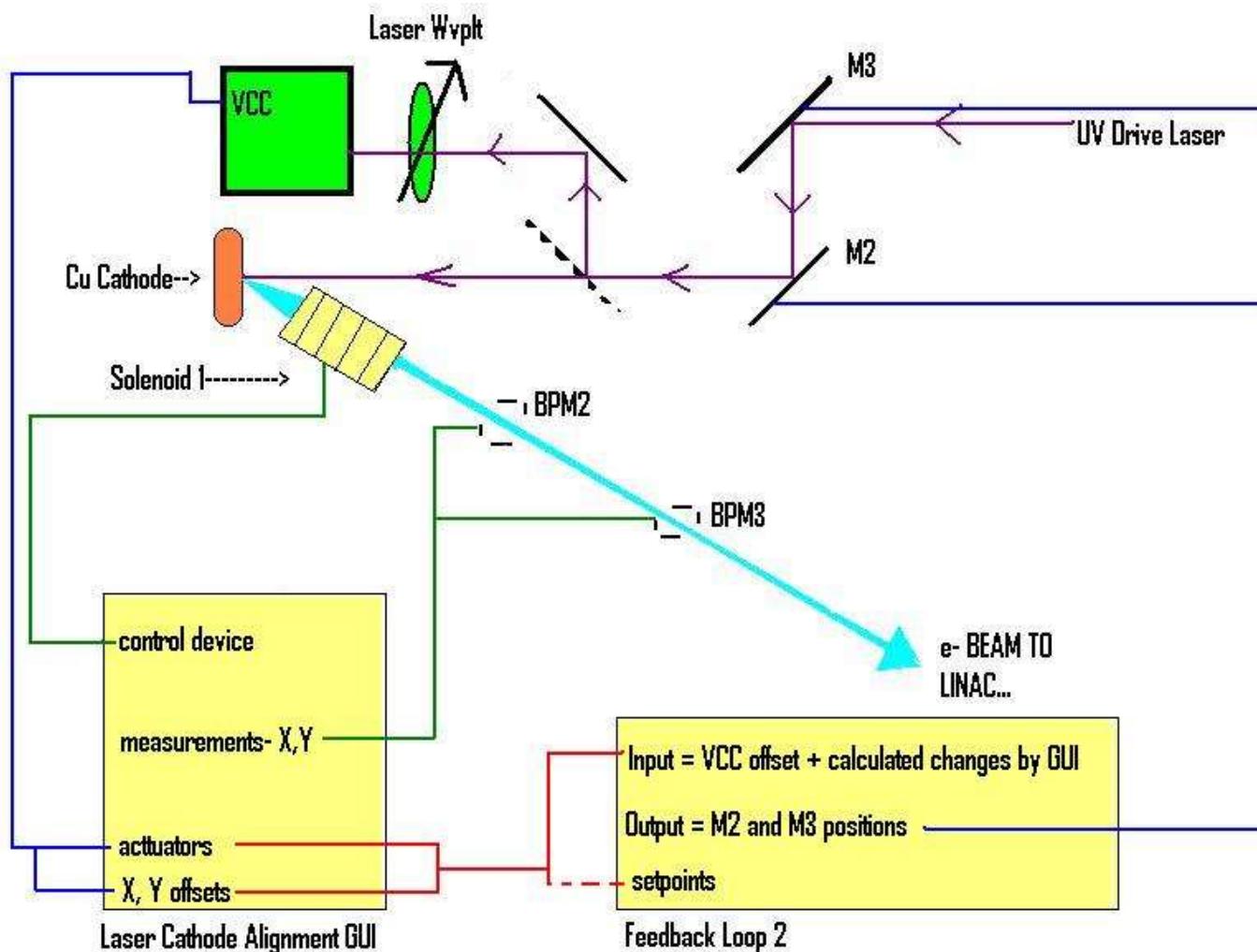
SLAC

- Cathode alignment
 - Laser position on the cathode in an area with good QE performance
- Electron beam position using BPM's and the solenoid strength, when the drive laser is well-aligned, the electron beam will be in the middle of the solenoid (no transverse field)



Laser and e-Beam Performance

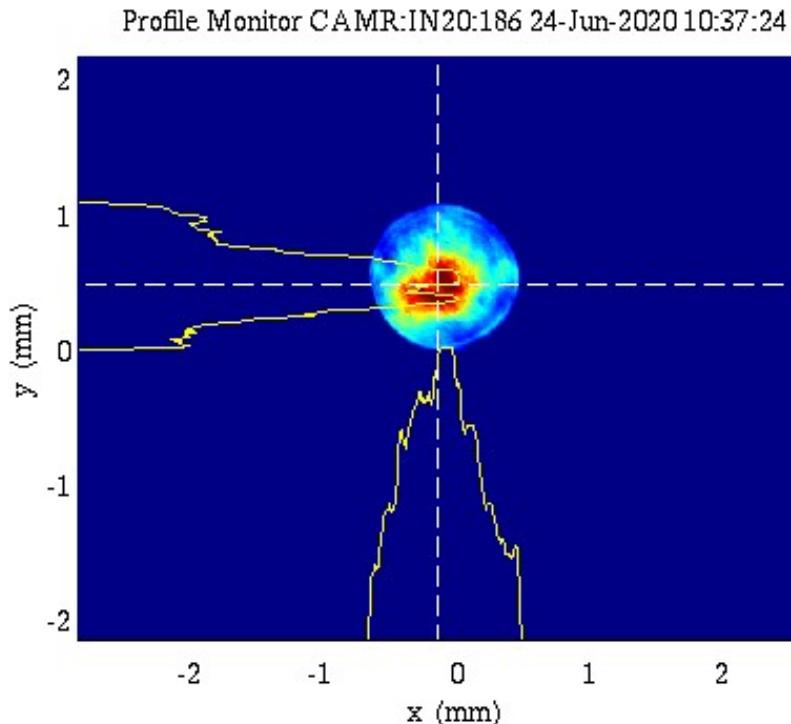
SLAC



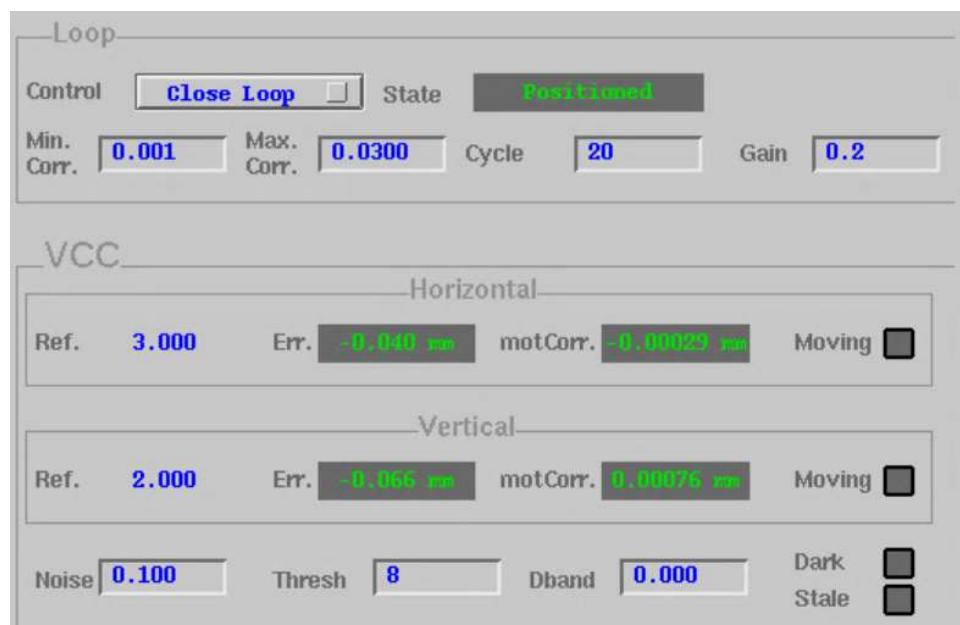
Courtesy of Eric Tse

Laser and e-Beam Performance

SLAC



- Laser Feedback to maintain beam position on cathode

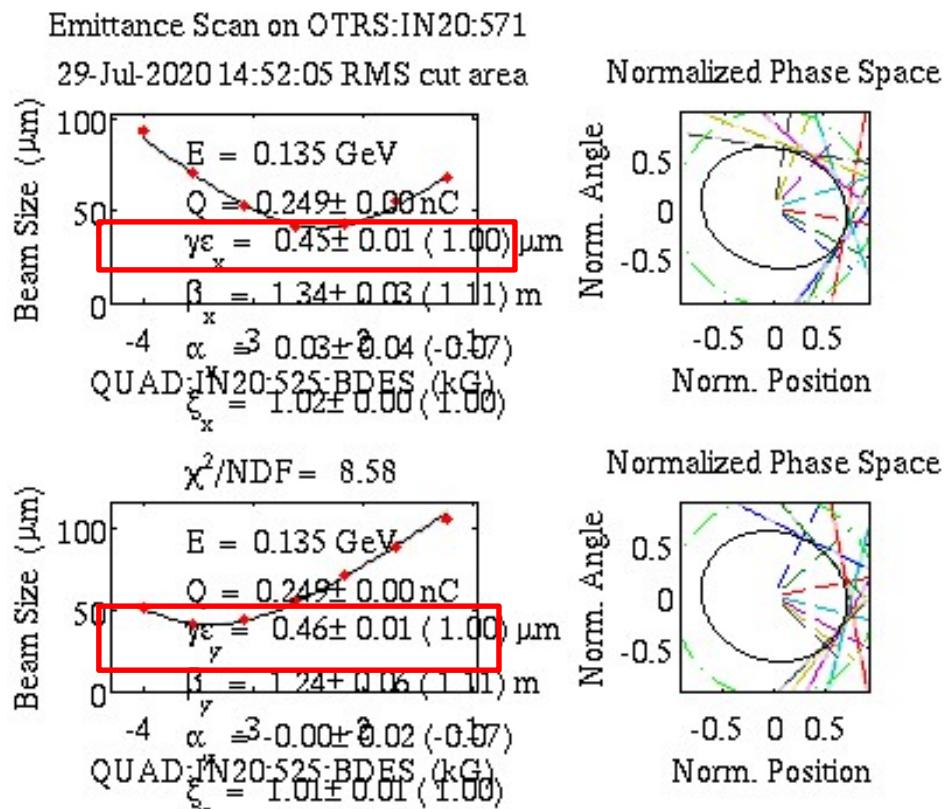
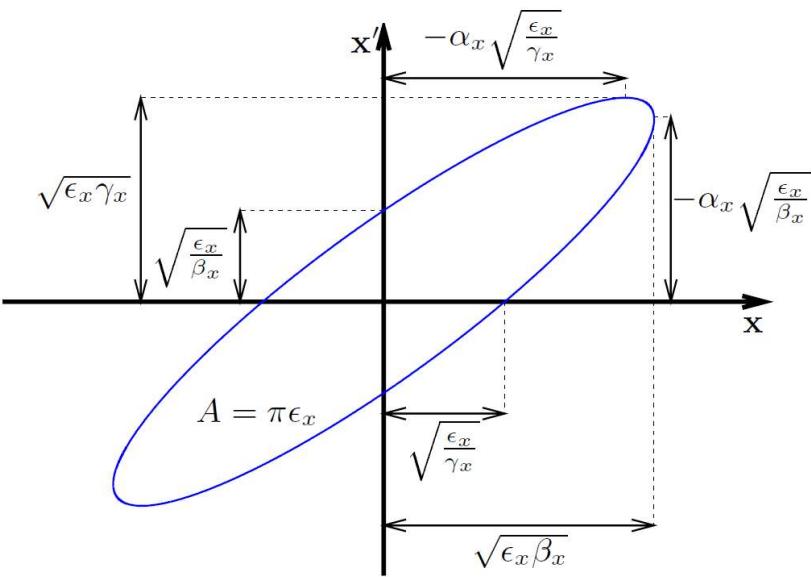


- Laser Profile – cut-Gaussian
- Filling the iris with a uniform beam, lose lots of laser energy

Laser and e-Beam Performance

SLAC

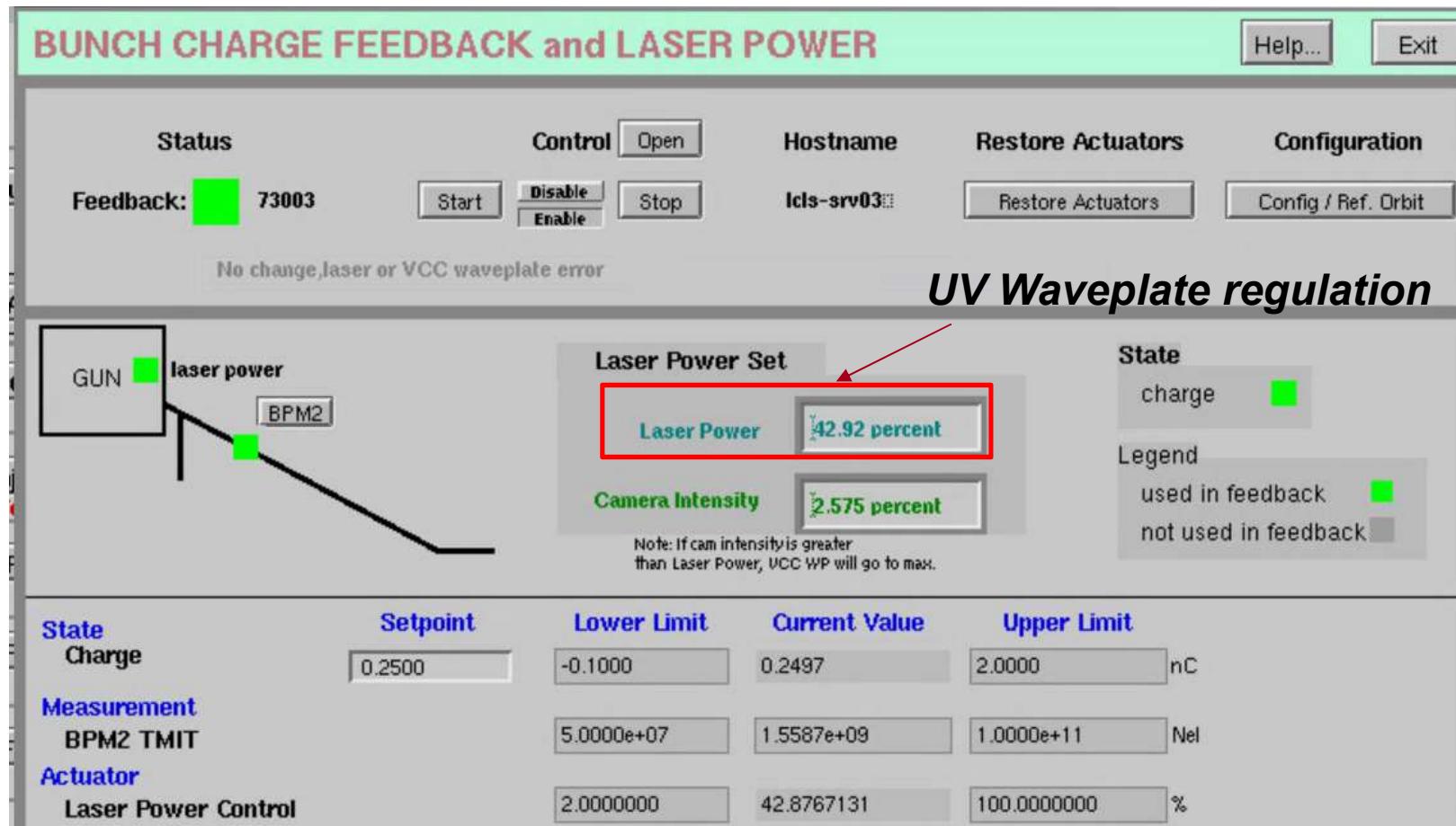
- Emittance measurements – aim for $\epsilon_{x,y} \sim 0.4\mu\text{m}$
- Beam orientation described by the Twiss parameters (α, β, γ)



Laser Room Layout – Drive Laser System

SLAC

- Bunch Charge Feedback and the Laser Percentage



Outline

SLAC

- SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector
- LCLS Laser System
 - ❖ Drive Laser System
 - ❖ Laser Heater System
- Laser and e-Beam Performance
- **LCLS Operation and User Delivery**
- Future Developments
 - ❖ xLEAP – X-ray Laser Enhanced Attosecond Pulses
 - ❖ LCLS II
 - ❖ Machine Learning

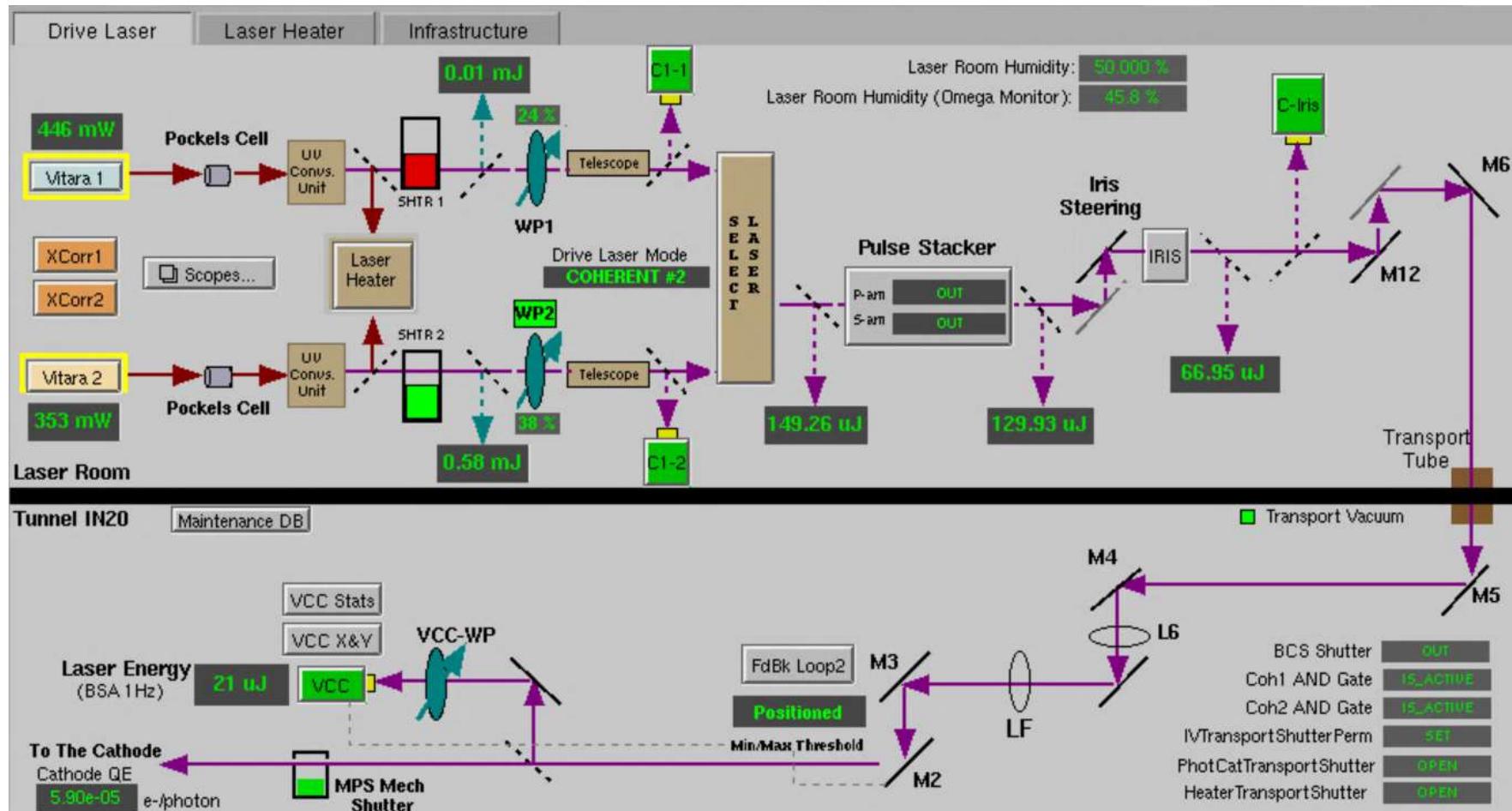
LCLS Operation and User Delivery



- User Delivery schedule typically Thurs-Mon, User Run 18 started August 11th with an emphasis on Coronavirus experiments
- MD and Maintenance times Tues/Wed/Thurs
- Laser support 24/7, with shifts DAY 9am-9pm/NIGHT 9pm-9am
- Potential to switch lasers if needed to minimize downtime
- So what gets monitored during delivery? Power, laser spatial shape on the cathode, pulse length

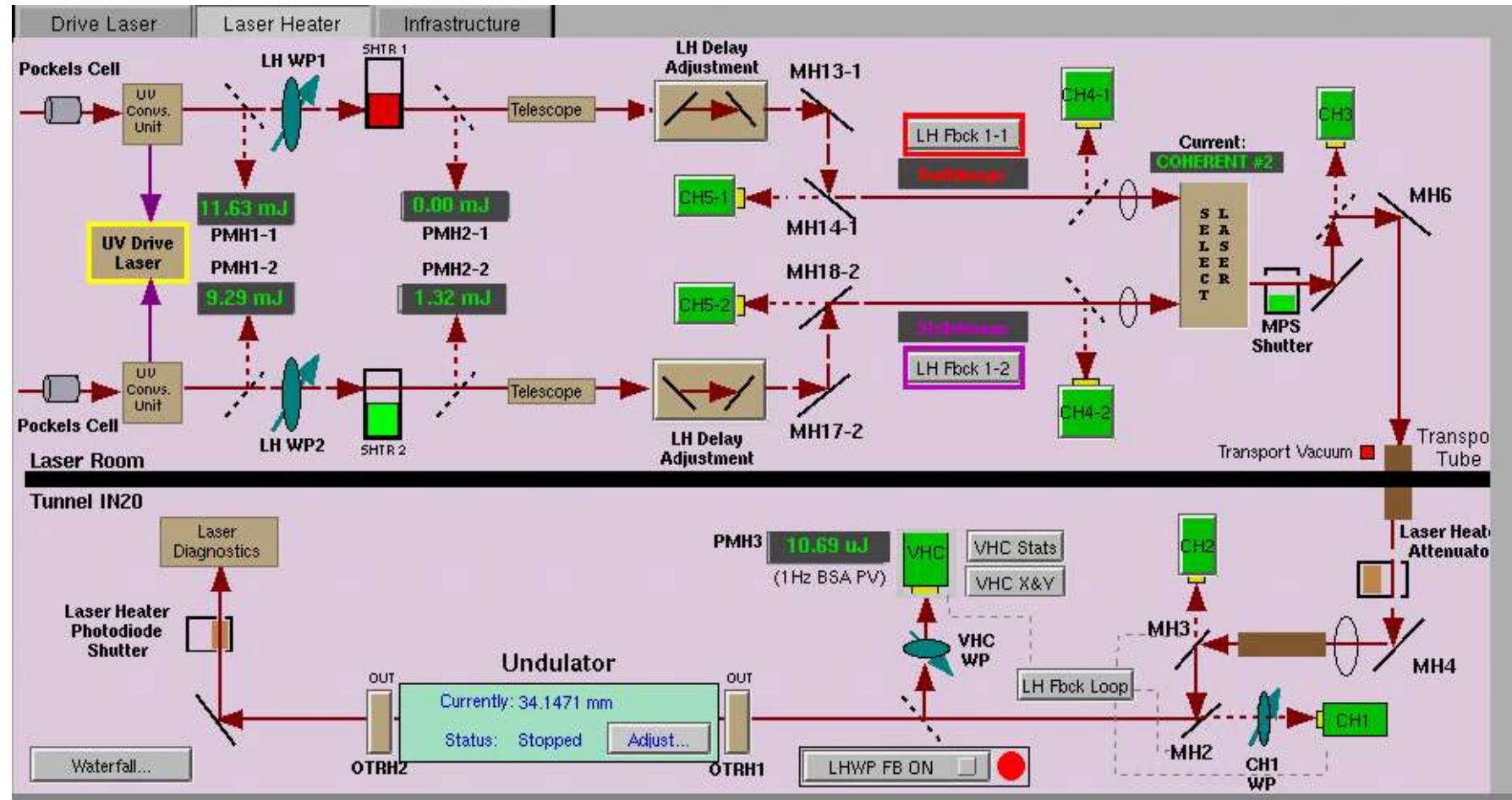
LCLS Operation and User Delivery

SLAC



Normal Operation and User Delivery

SLAC



LCLS Operation and User Delivery

SLAC

Laser Maintenance GUI

		Abort	Run Full	Get Noninvasive
Status	Run Timestamp	Action Performed	Data Collected	PV used
1	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:46	Current laser name	Coherent 2
2	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:46	Mode-Locked Power for Vitara 1	450.325927734
3	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:47	Mode-Locked Power for Vitara 2	386.401367188
4	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:47	Pulse Stacker Waveplate Angle	124.0
5	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:47	Pulse Stacker S Arm Position	OUT
6	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:47	Iris Diameter	1.0 mm
7	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:47	Camera VCC Image	[...0 0 ... 0 0 0]
8	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:47	Camera C1_IRIS Image	[...1 1 ... 0 0 0]
9	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:47	Camera C1 Image	[...0 1 ... 0 0 0]
10	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:47	Camera C2 Image	[...2 2 0 ... 0 1 0]
11	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:47	Camera CH1 Image	[...0 0 0 ... 0 0 0]
12	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:48	Camera CH2 Image	[...2 2 3 ... 1 1 3]
13	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:48	Camera CH3 Image	[...0 0 0 ... 0 0 0]
14	Complete	11/05/2014 - 10:25:48	Camera VHC Image	[...0 0 0 ... 0 0 0]

Current Laser: Coherent 2

Camera VHC Image - 11/05/2014 - 10:25:48

The plot shows a bright circular spot centered at (0,0) on a coordinate system with X and Y axes ranging from -2 to 2 mm. The plot is titled "Camera VHC Image - 11/05/2014 - 10:25:48".

Logbook Image

Auto-log all images after scan

Log Timestamp	Log Message
122	2014-11-05 10:26:14
123	2014-11-05 10:28:14
124	2014-11-05 10:28:16
125	2014-11-05 10:28:16
126	2014-11-05 10:28:17
127	2014-11-05 10:28:17
128	2014-11-05 10:28:23
129	2014-11-05 10:28:23
130	2014-11-05 10:28:24

Developed by Chris Zimmer

LCLS Operation and User Delivery

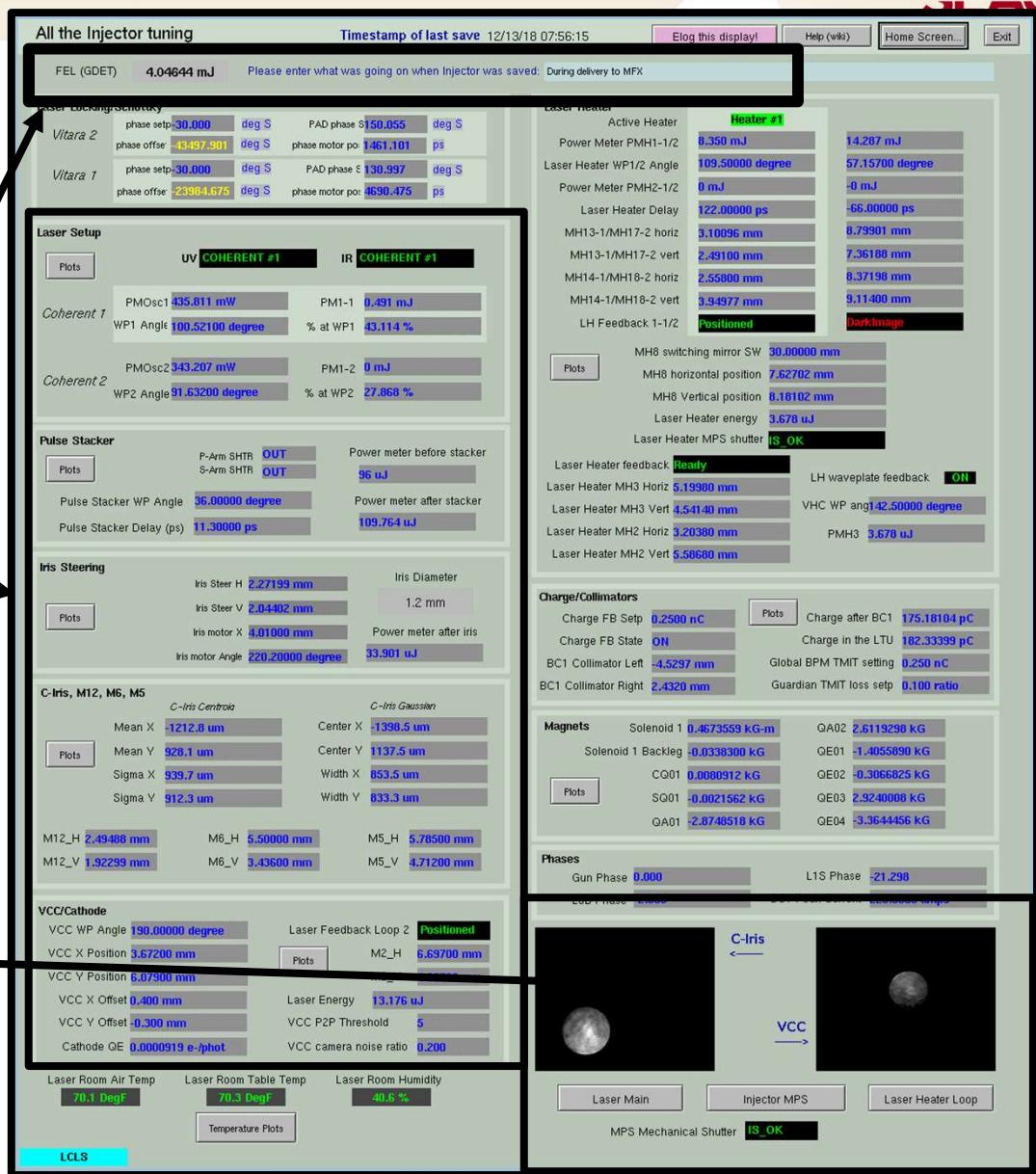
SI AC

Snapshot of the machine
Created by Tonee Smith

FEL performance
and User Delivery

Drive Laser and setup →

VCC and C-Iris Images



Outline



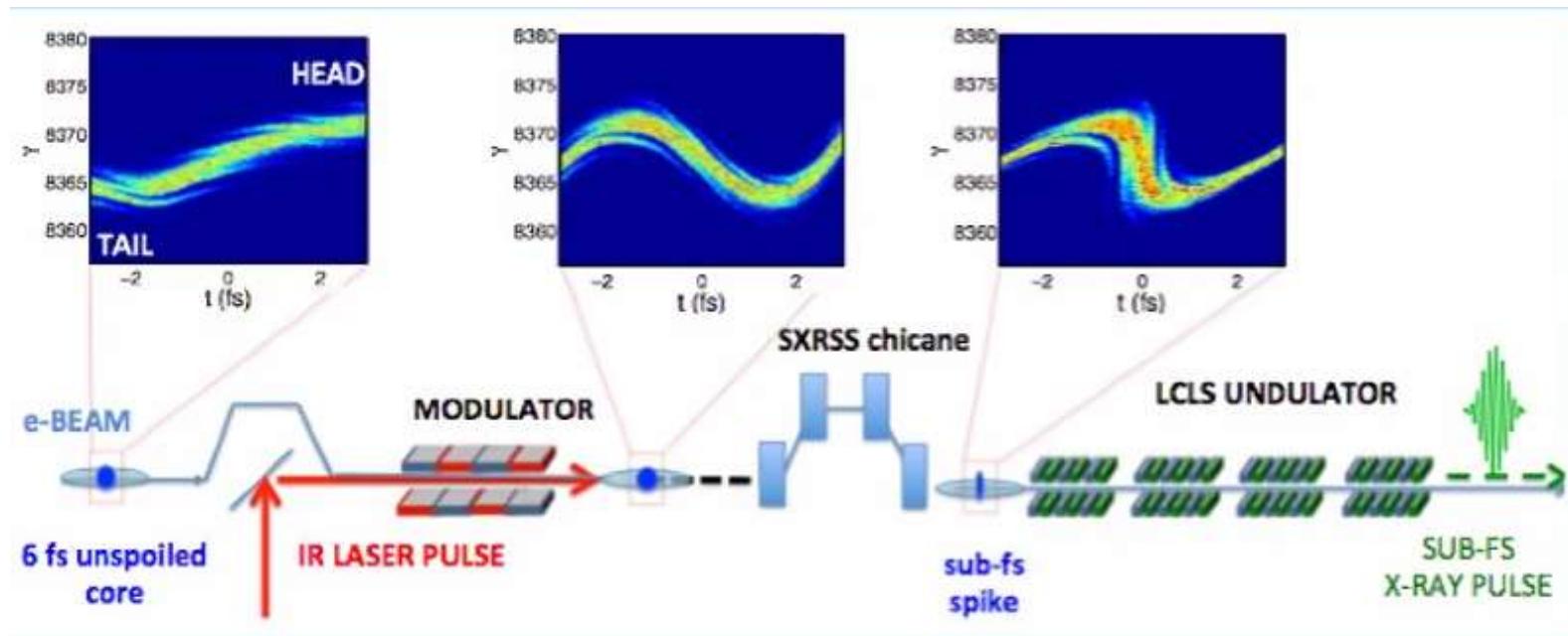
- SLAC's LCLS Photoinjector
- LCLS Laser System
 - ❖ Drive Laser System
 - ❖ Laser Heater System
- Laser and e-Beam Performance
- LCLS Operation and User Delivery
- **Future Developments**
 - ❖ **xLEAP**
 - ❖ **LCLS II**
 - ❖ **Machine Learning**

Future Developments

xLEAP

SLAC

- XLEAP – X-Ray Laser Enhanced Attosecond Pulse Generation



- Ago Marinelli and Joe Duris using the xLEAP wiggler to produce sub-fs X-Ray pulses

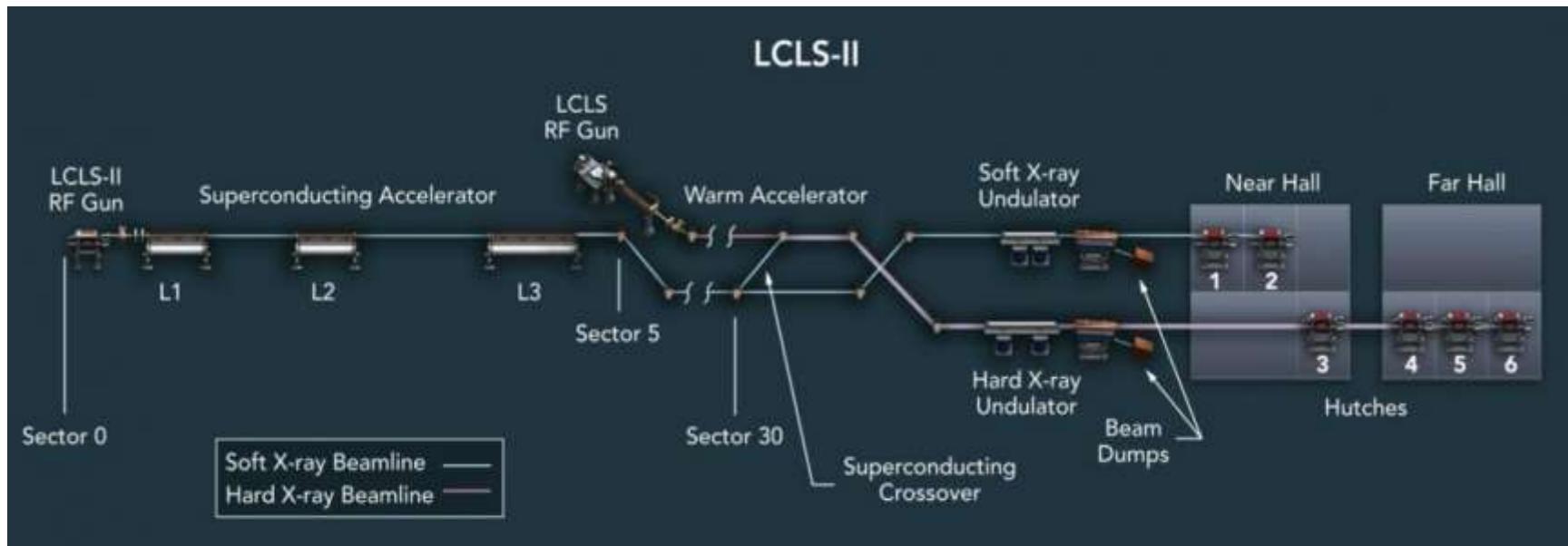
Future Developments

LCLS II

SLAC

Cs₂Te cathode, ~1 MHz Operation

LCLS II laser system is an Amplitude fiber oscillator and amplifier
~50 W of class IV IR (1030 nm) radiation with UV conversion to
produce the 4th harmonic (257.5 nm) of the IR beam



Future Developments Machine Learning



- Advances into Machine Learning at SLAC for Accelerator Operations

ML-at-SLAC Initiative



Daniel Ratner
Initiative Lead

ML Steering Committee



Ryan Coffee
LCLS Science



Audrey Therrien
LCLS/TID



Apurva Mehta
SSRL



Kazuhiro Terao
High Energy Physics



Xiaobiao Huang
Accelerator

- Nicole Neveu, Auralee Edelen, Lipi Gupta, William Lou, Chris Mayes, Aashwin Mishra...and many others!



Lisa Kaufman
Nuclear Physics



Jana B. Thayer
LCLS Data Systems

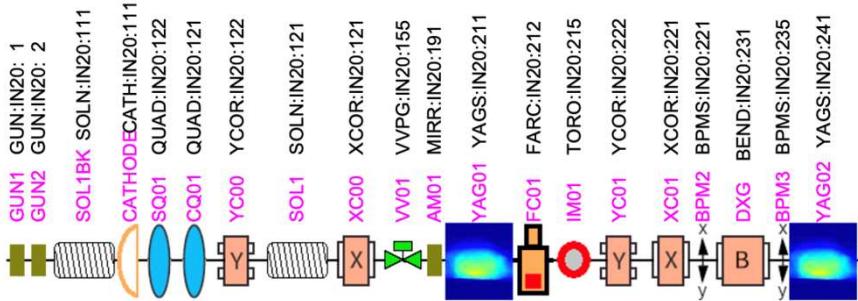


Mariano Trigo
Energy Science

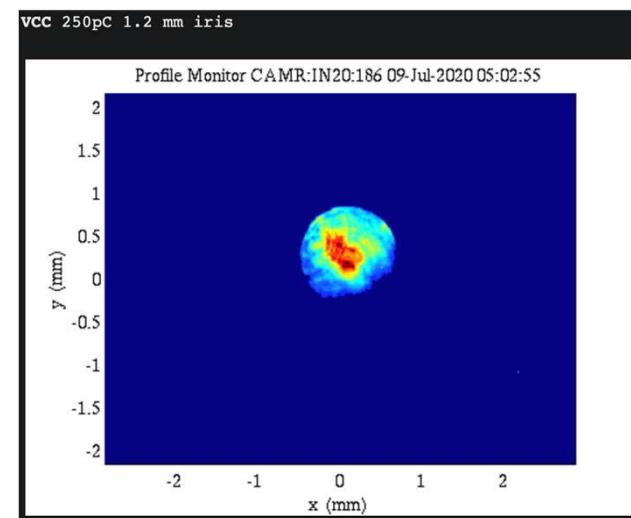
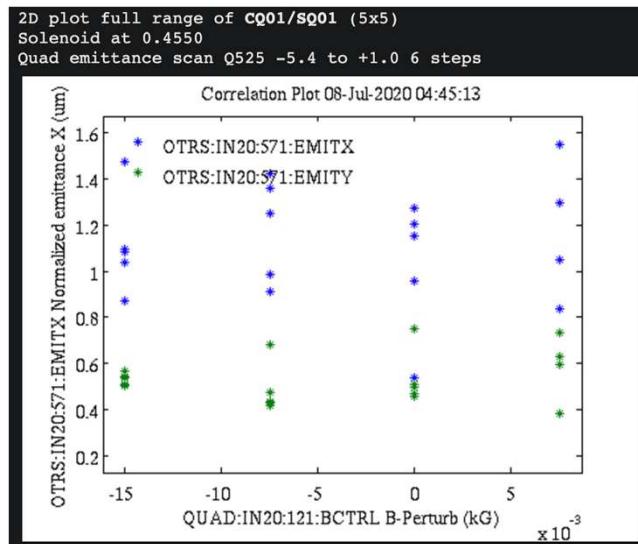
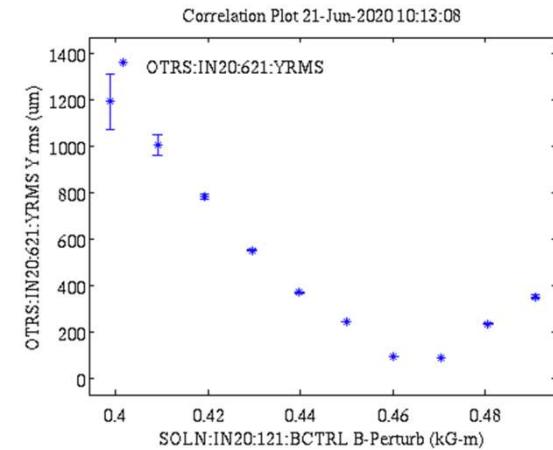
Future Developments

Machine Learning

- Example of datasets collected on Injector tuning for simulations and ML models



Injector



Summary

SLAC

Optimization of Lasers in Electron Accelerator Applications

Hope you have a better understanding of the LCLS 1 Injector Laser System and Photoinjector

Appreciation LCLS Operation for User Delivery

Future developments for LCLS with Attosecond X-Ray pulse generation, LCLS II and Machine Learning



A wide-angle aerial photograph of the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory. The foreground shows a mix of modern and older industrial buildings, some with large windows and others with more utilitarian designs. A paved road or driveway leads through the facility. In the background, rolling hills and mountains are visible under a clear sky, with the warm light of sunset casting long shadows and highlighting the textures of the landscape.

THANK YOU!

Sept 16th, WEA003

SLAC