

# Laser seeding of electron bunches for future ring-based light sources

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## Ring-based synchrotron light sources

- + large number of facilities (~50)
- + multiple beamlines
- + high repetition rate
- + high stability
- incoherent emission (low brightness)
- long bunches (long radiation pulses)



MAX IV, Sweden (Wikipedia, image by D. Castor)

## Linac-based high-gain FELs

- only 8 user facilities worldwide
- single(few)-user facilities
- low repetition rate
- larger shot-to-shot variations
- + extremely high brightness
- + short bunches (short pulses)



SACLA, Japan

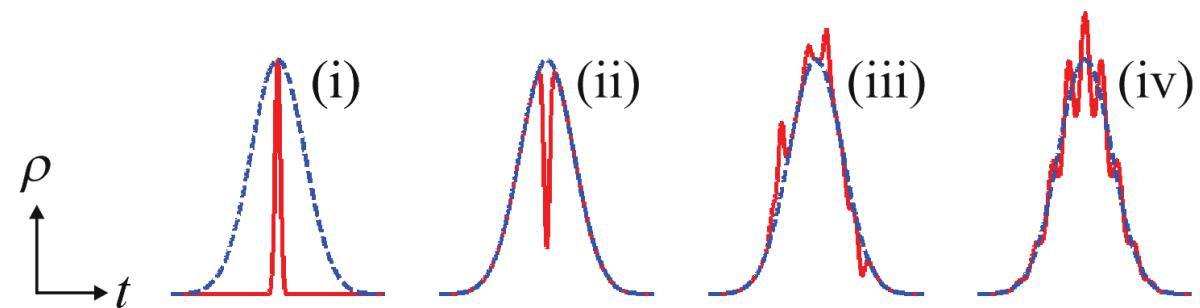
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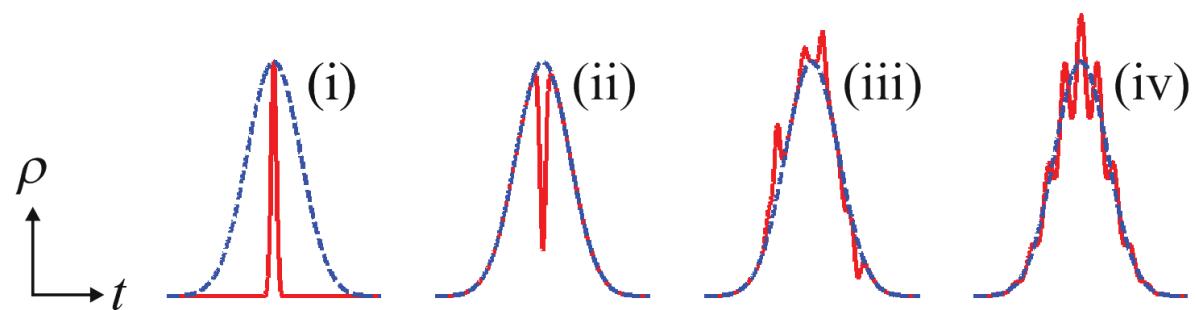
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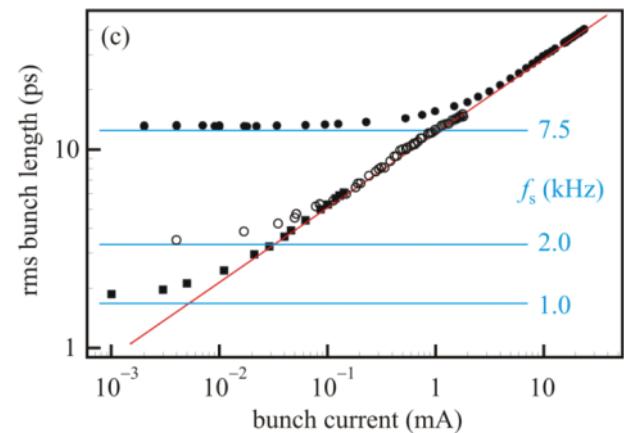
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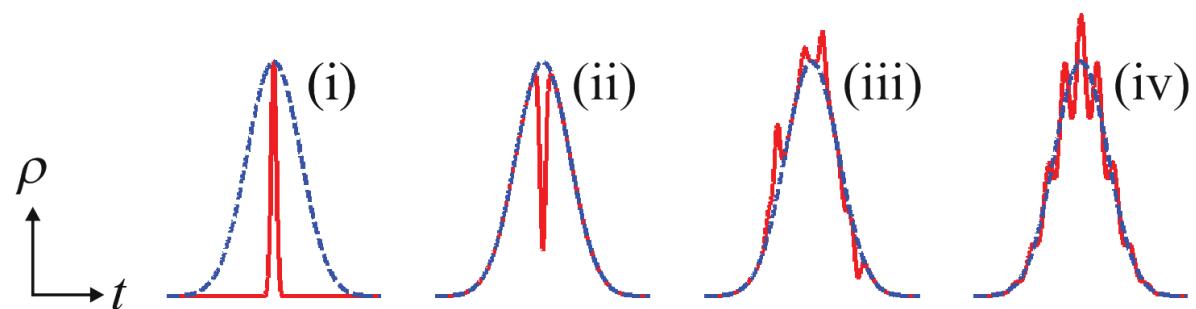
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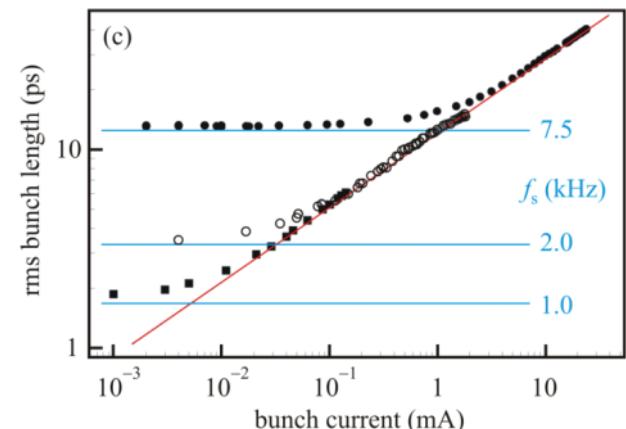
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## Microbunching in storage rings

- velocity bunching, FEL amplification, wake fields (?)
- + energy modulation + dispersion (similar to FEL seeding)

$$\Delta z = r_{51} \cdot \Delta x + r_{52} \cdot \Delta x' + r_{56} \cdot \Delta E / E$$



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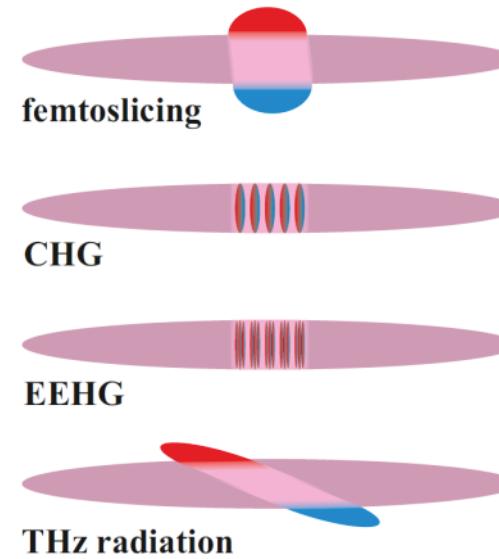
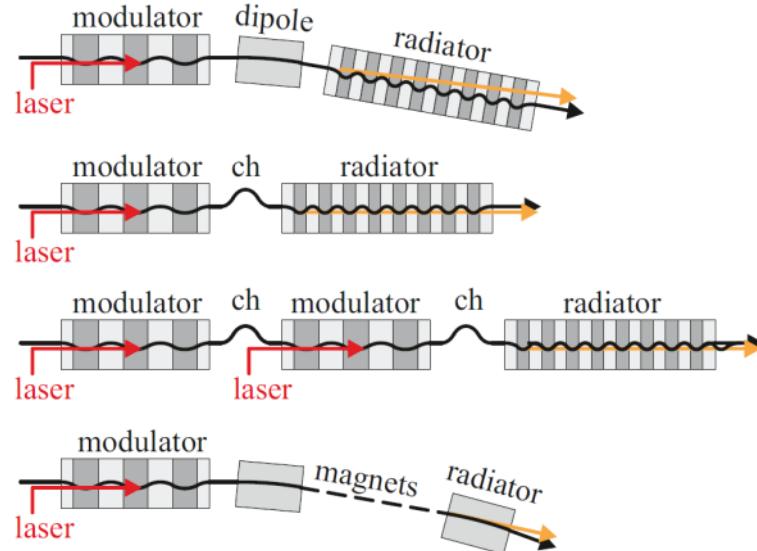
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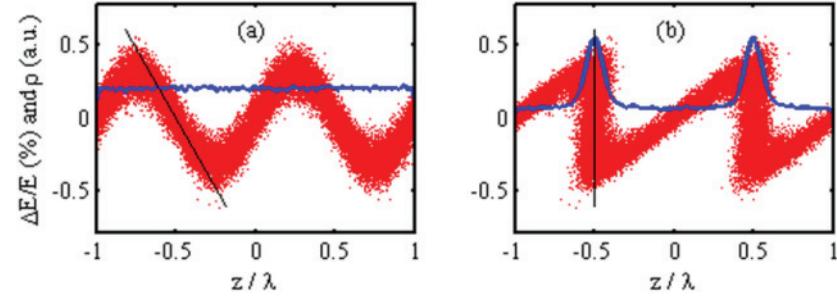
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## Signal-to-background ratio:

$$\frac{P_{\text{short}}}{P_{\text{long}}} = \frac{n_{\text{short}}^2 \cdot b^2}{n_{\text{long}}} = f^2 \cdot n_{\text{long}} \cdot b^2$$

$$n_{\text{short}} = f \cdot n_{\text{long}} \approx 10^{-3} \cdot n_{\text{long}}$$



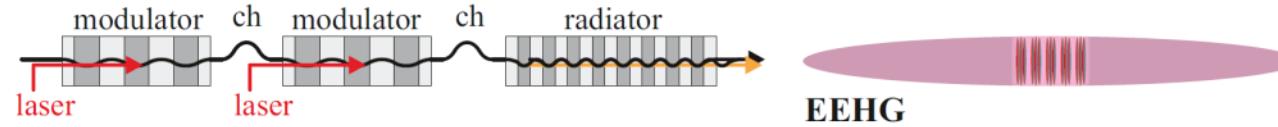
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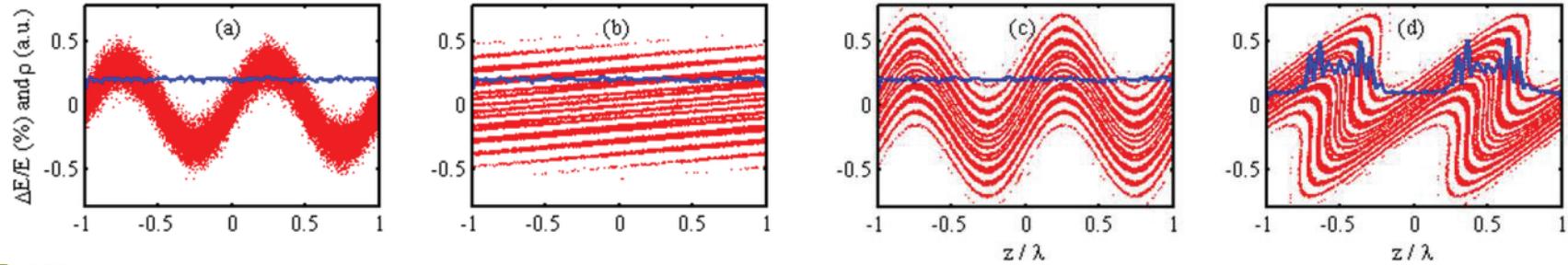
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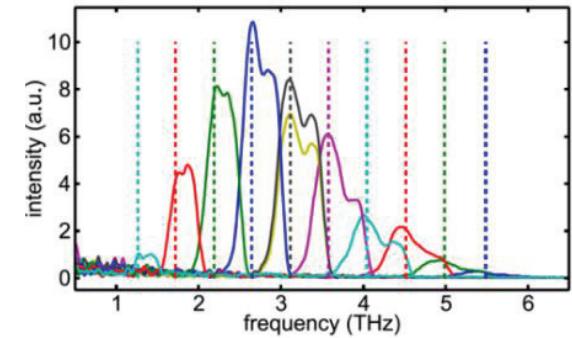
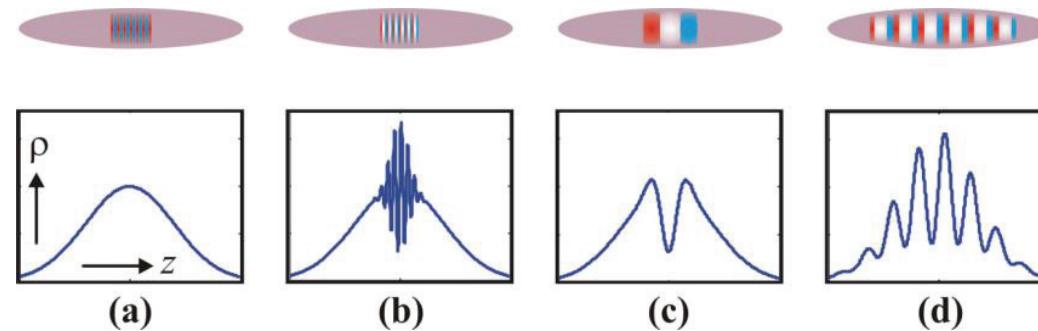
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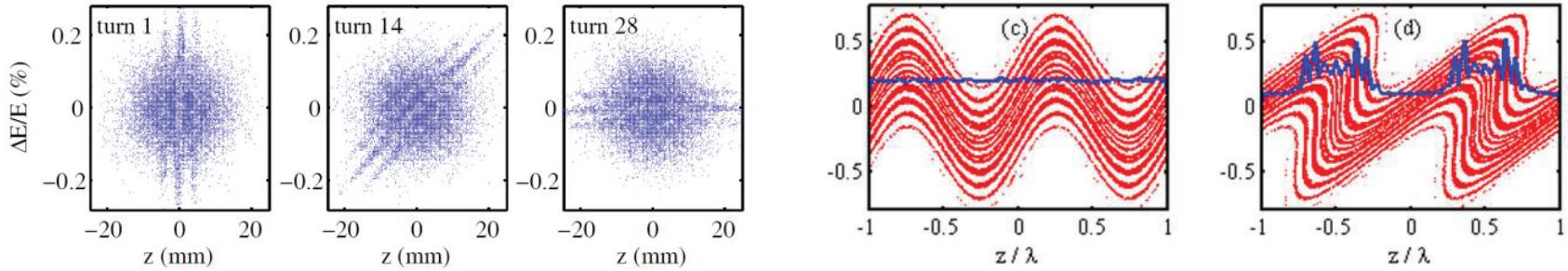
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## Yet another scheme: discrete-energy CHG

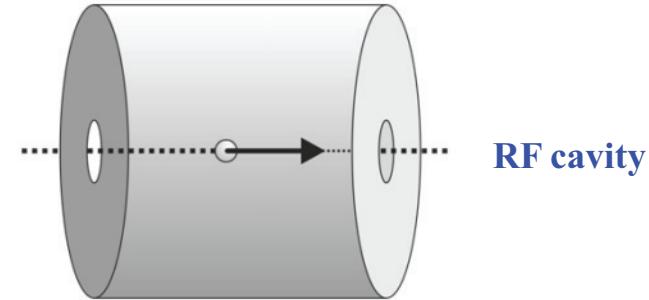
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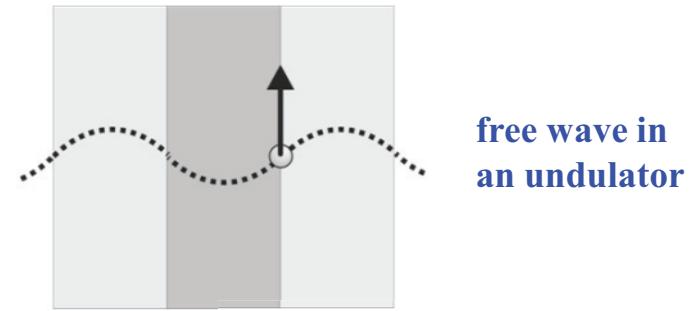
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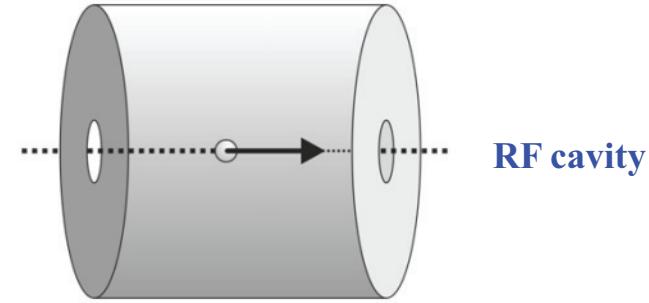


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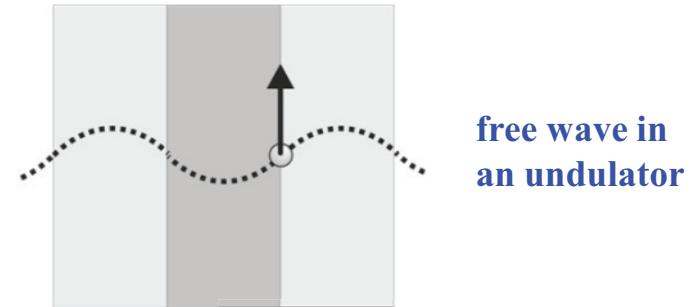
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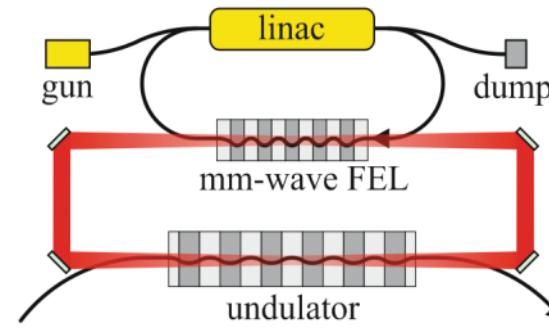
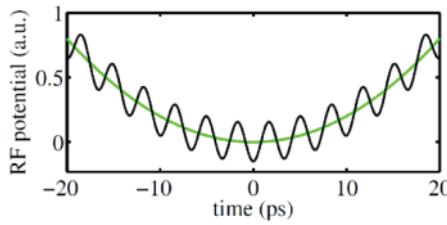
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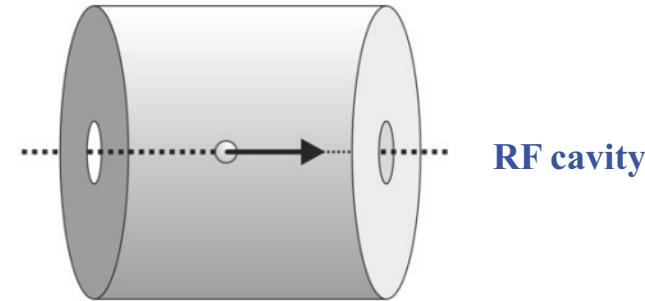
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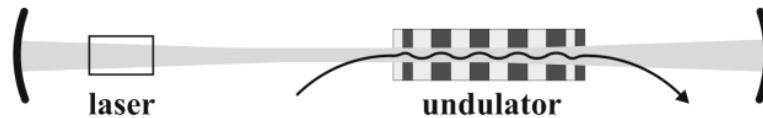
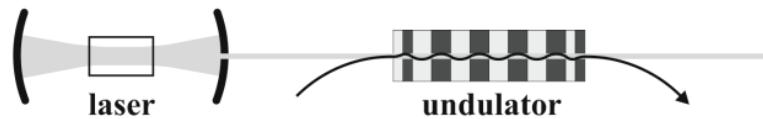
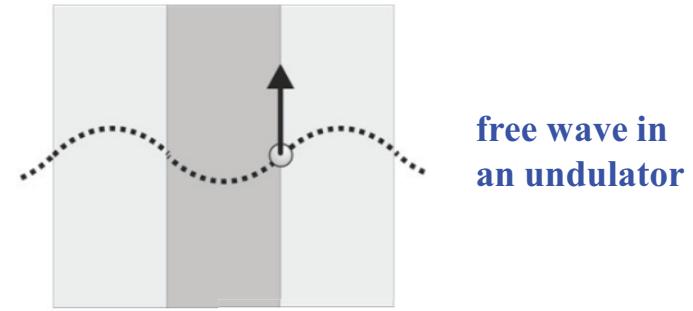
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Example: 10 kW cw power

$$\begin{aligned} 1\text{mm}^2 \text{ spot size} &\rightarrow 2.7 \text{ MV/m} \\ x' = K/\gamma &= 0.01 \quad \rightarrow \quad 50 \text{ keV} \end{aligned}$$

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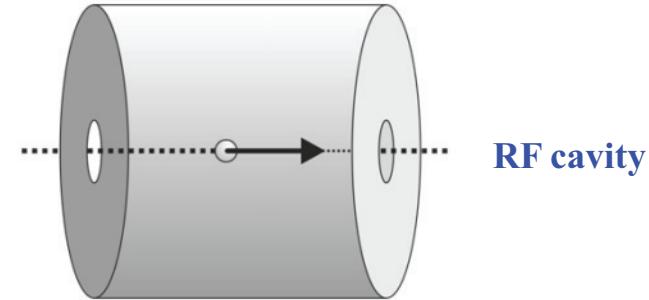


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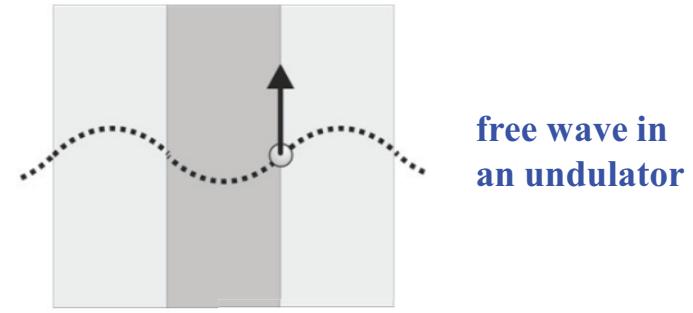
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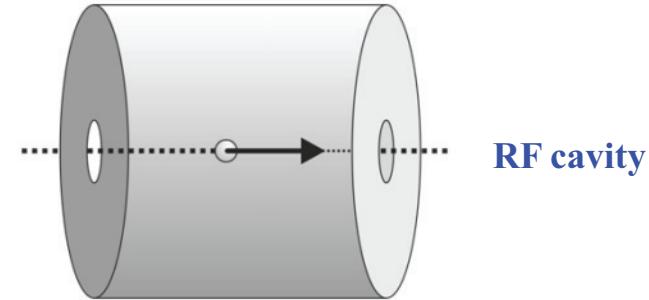
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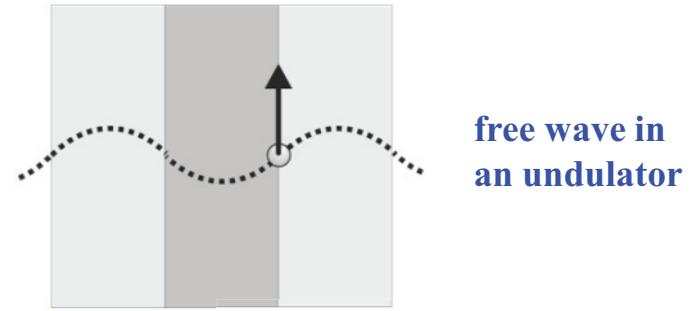
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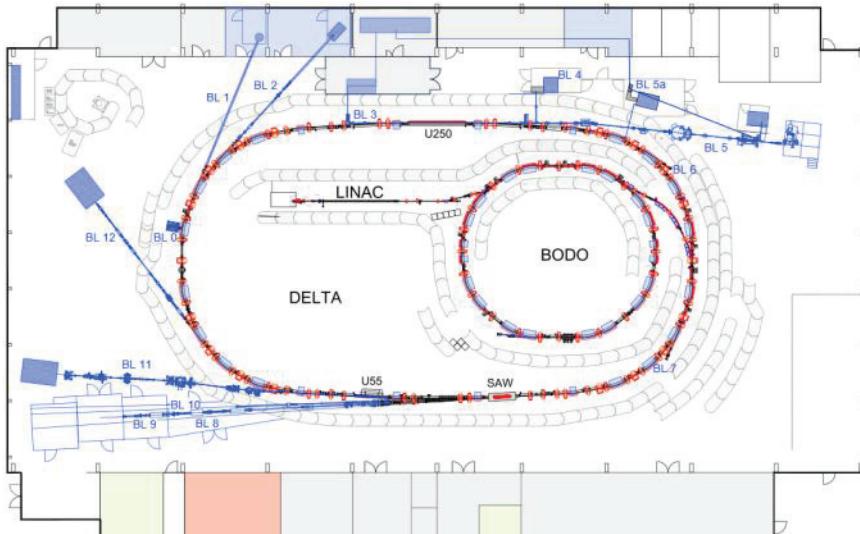
- user interest?
- how to produce microbunching at VUV or X-ray wavelengths?
- energy modulation must be canceled at each turn

D. Ratner, A. Chao, PRL 105, 154801 (2010)

## Short-pulse facility at DELTA

### DELTA storage ring at TU Dortmund

- 115.2 m circumference
- 1.5 GeV beam energy
- 130 mA (multi-bunch) 20 mA (single-bunch)
- 2000 hours user operation (20 weeks)      德  
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- 1000 hours machine studies (10 weeks)

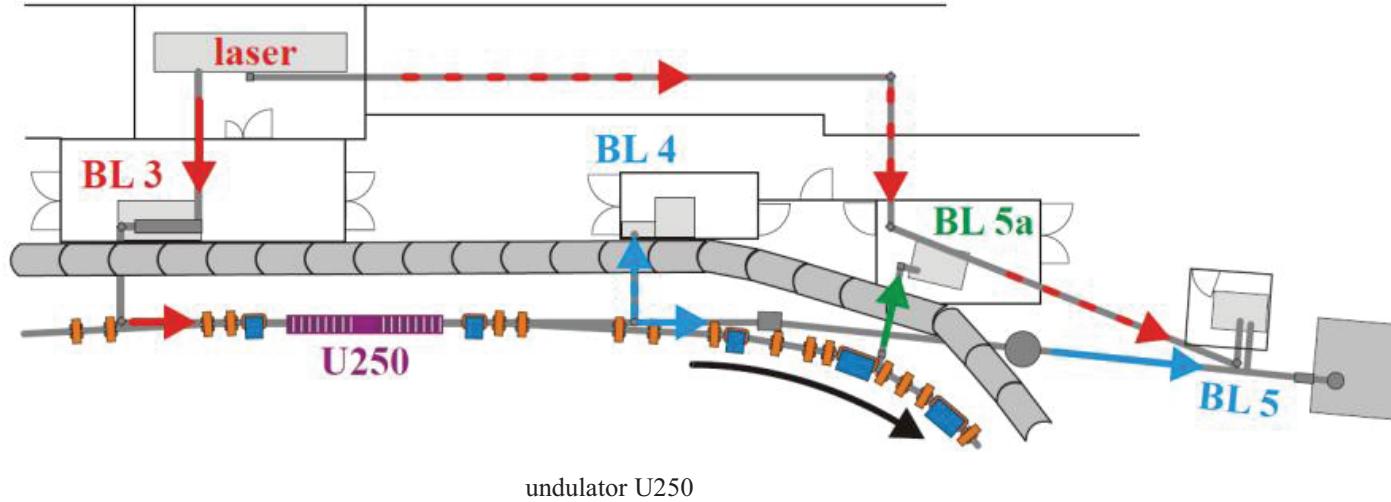


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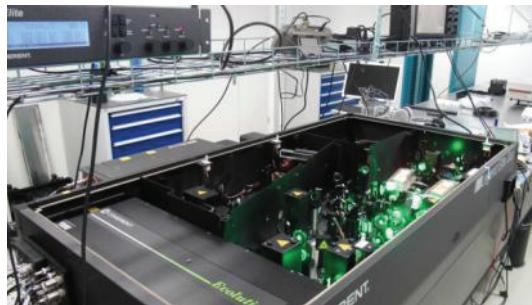
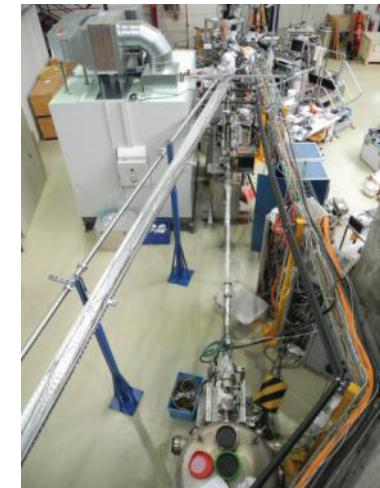
## Laser seeding (CHG, THz)

- routinely since 2011
- up to 600 hours/year

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soft X-ray beamline BL 5



Ti:sapphire laser system



diagnostics beamline BL 4

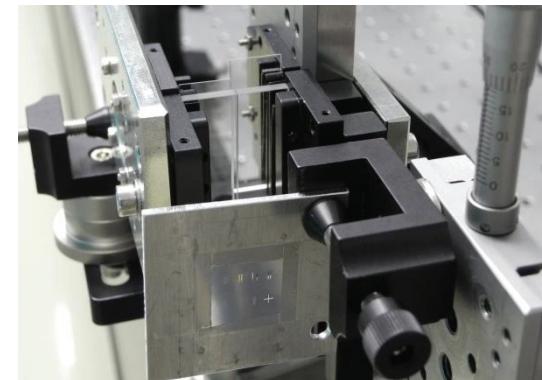
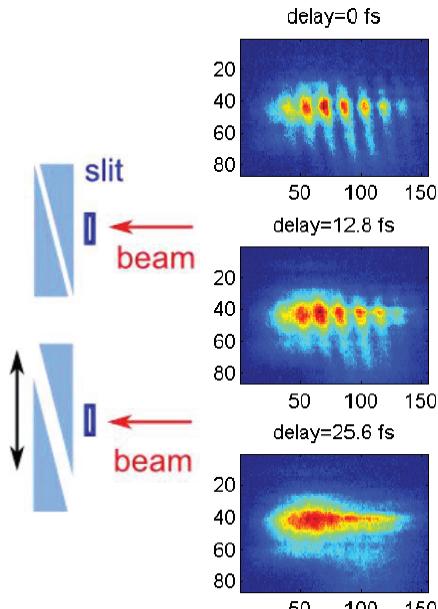


THz beamline BL 5a

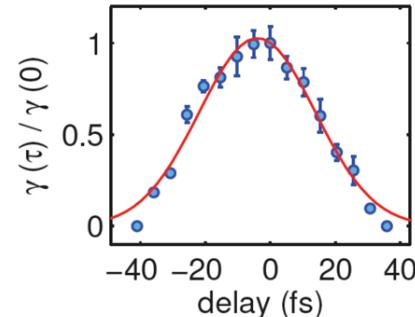
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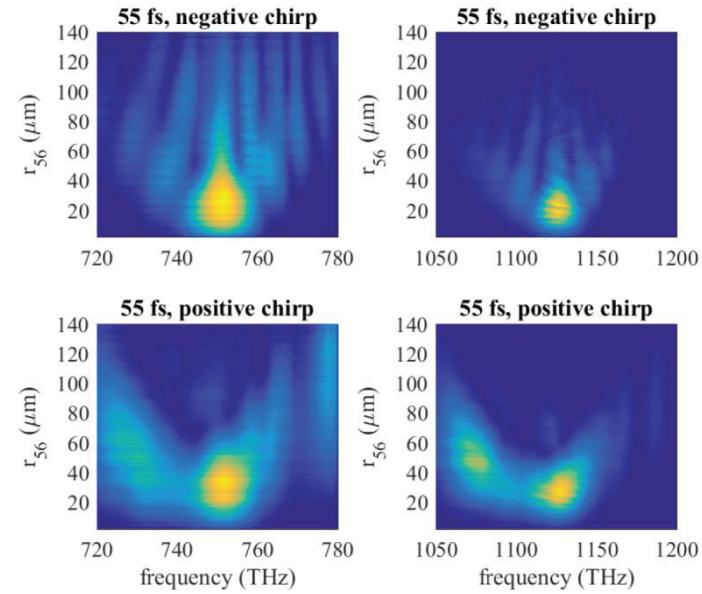
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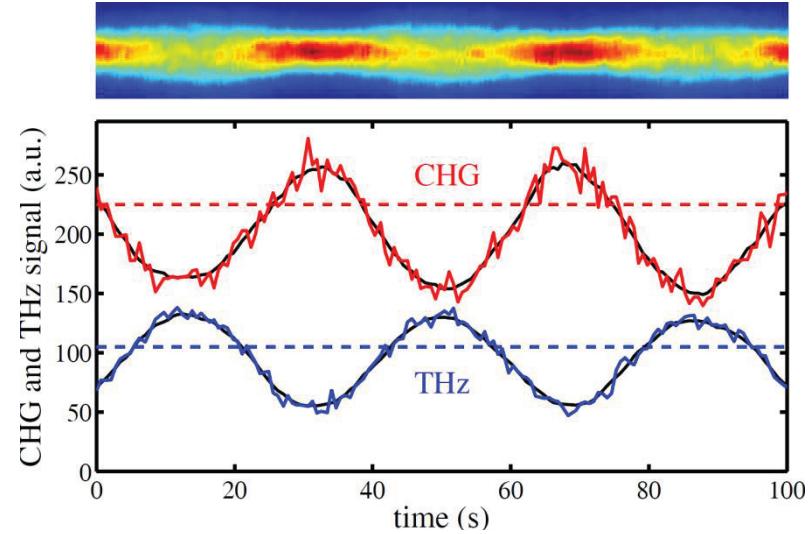


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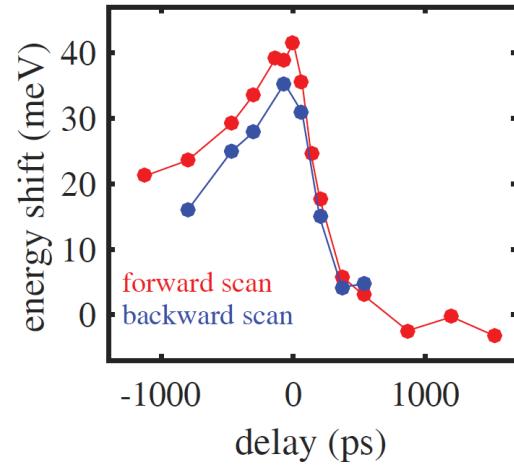
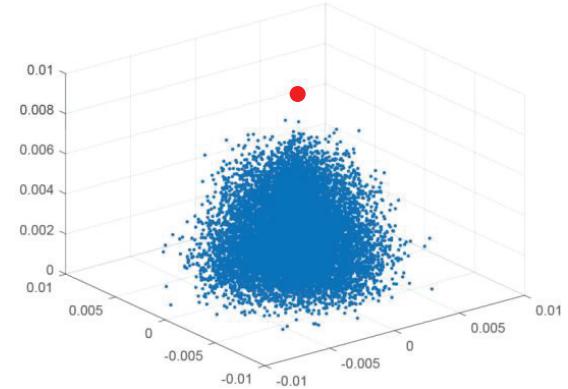


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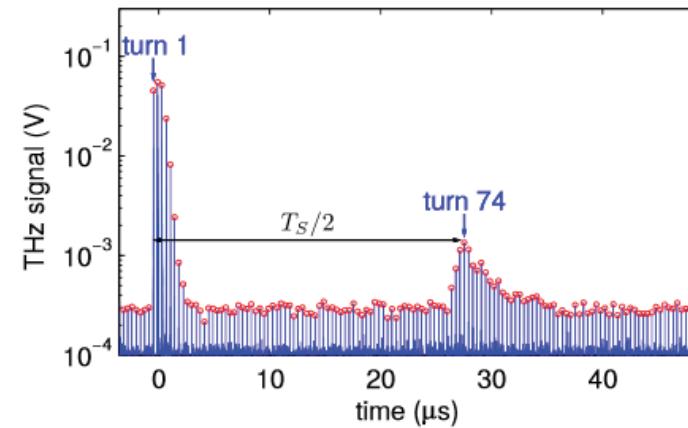
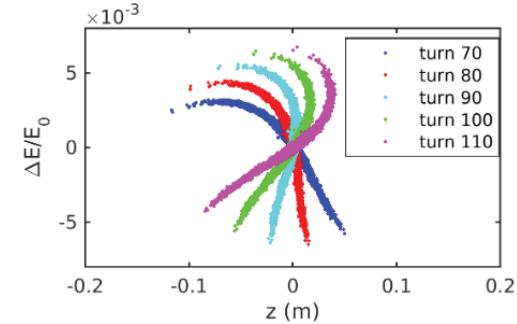
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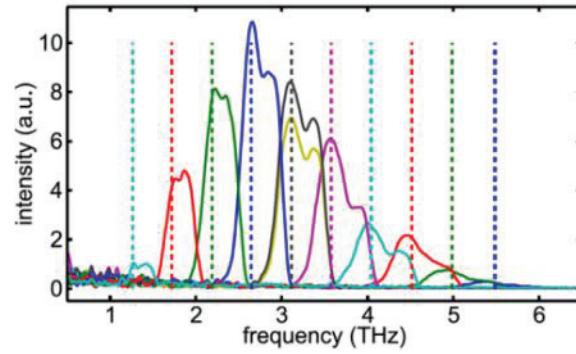
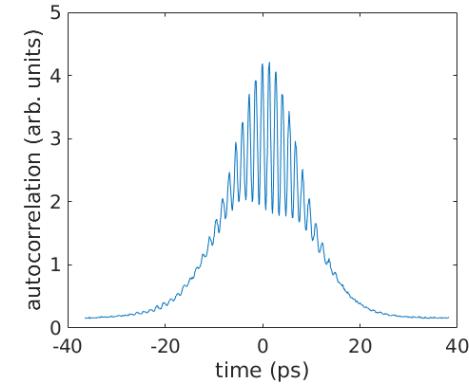


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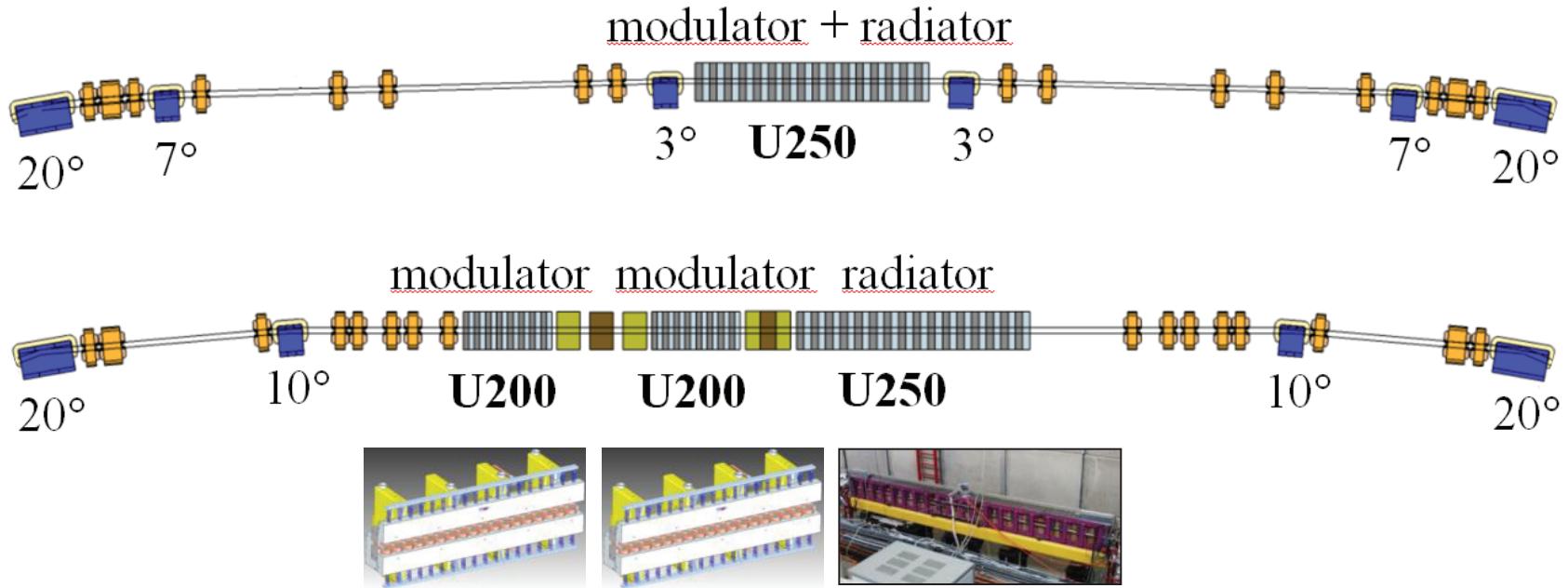


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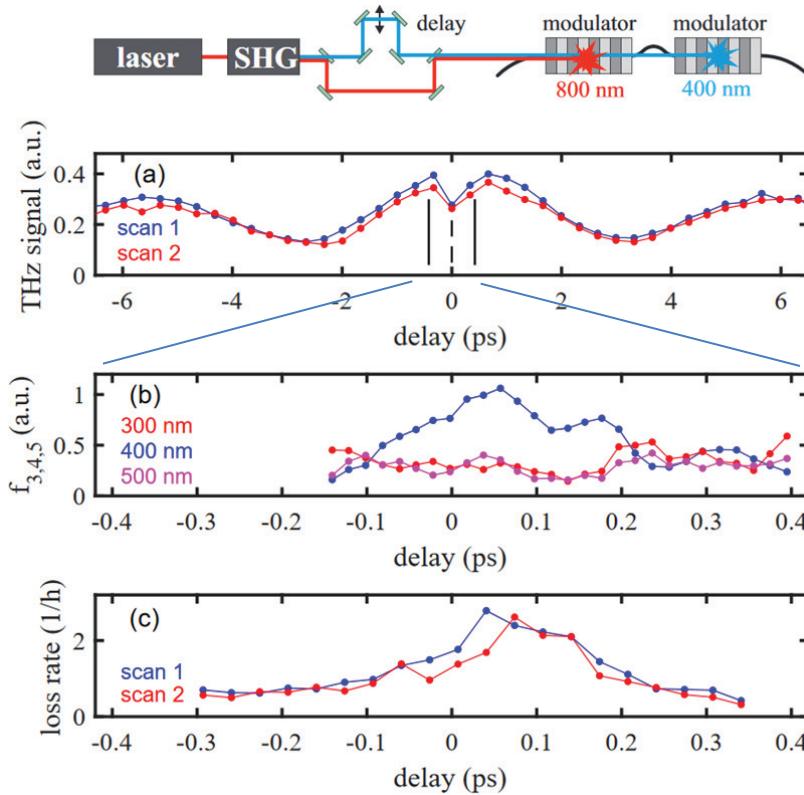


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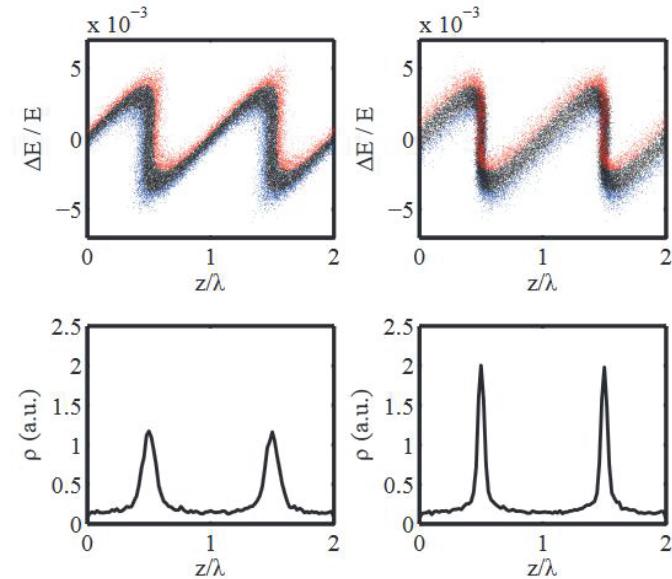
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