



# Beam Diagnostics at the RAL Front-End Test Stand

## First Results and New Ideas

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- Photo detachment based beam tomography
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# The Front End Test stand project at RAL - Overview :

## High speed beam chopper & MEBT

➤ 324 MHz, 3 MeV RFQ

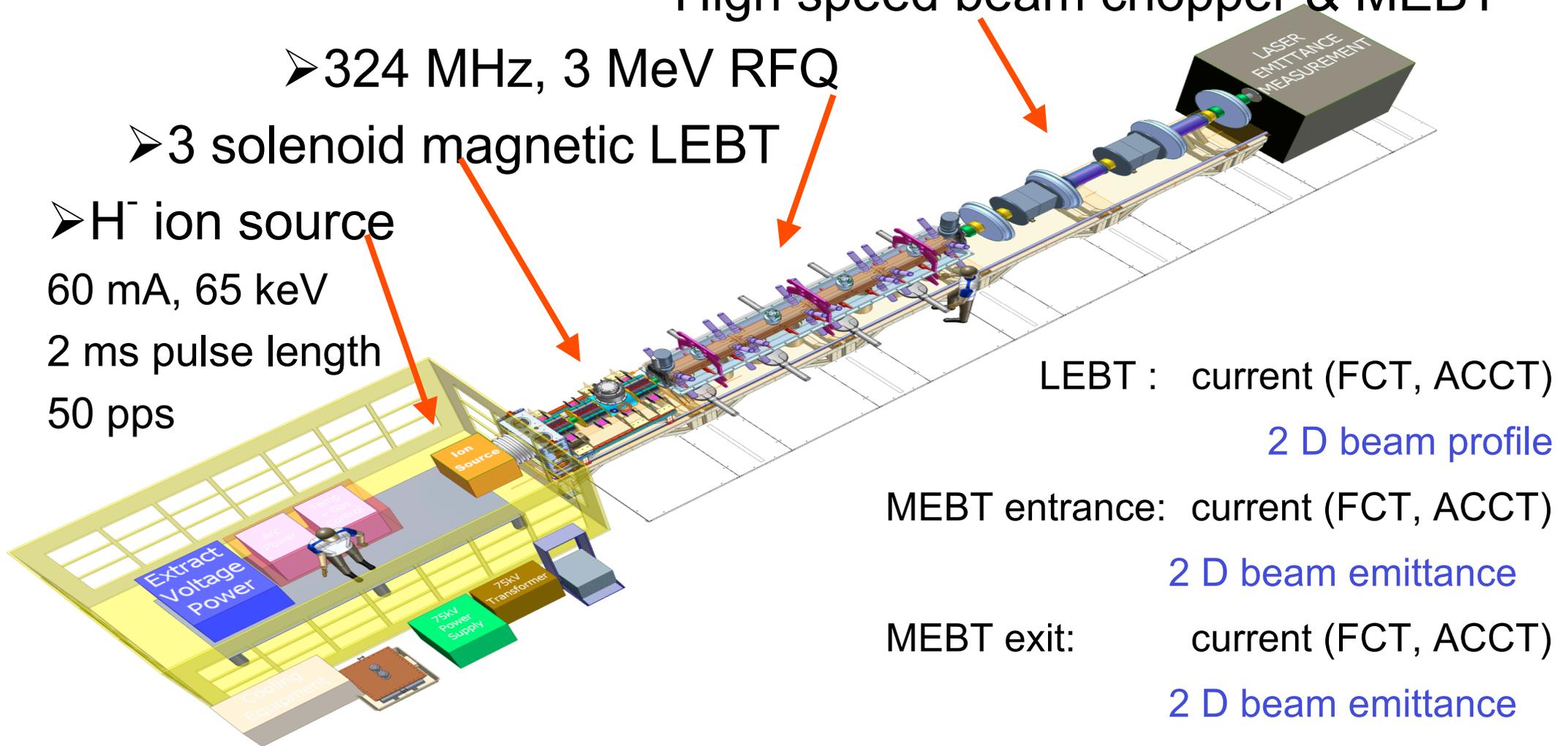
➤ 3 solenoid magnetic LEBT

➤  $H^-$  ion source

60 mA, 65 keV

2 ms pulse length

50 pps



LEBT : current (FCT, ACCT)

2 D beam profile

MEBT entrance: current (FCT, ACCT)

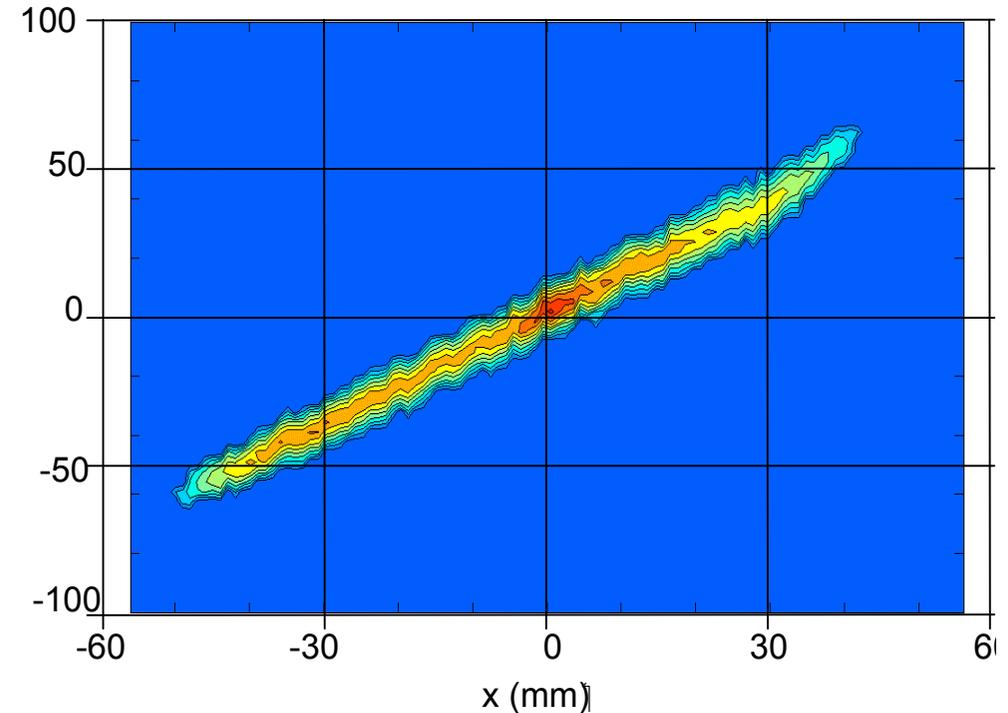
2 D beam emittance

MEBT exit: current (FCT, ACCT)

2 D beam emittance

## Beam diagnostic at the ISDR

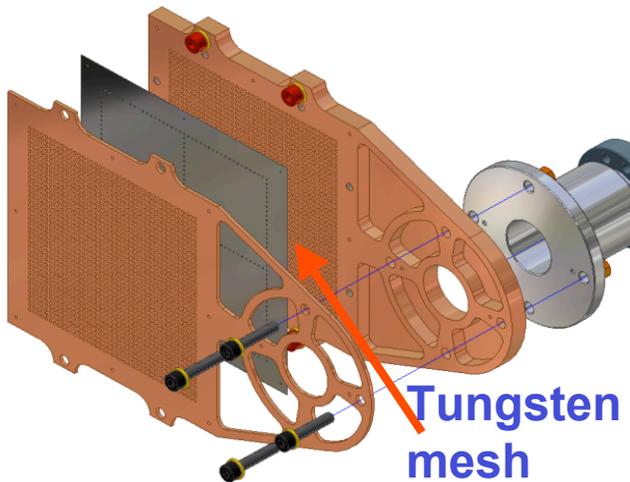
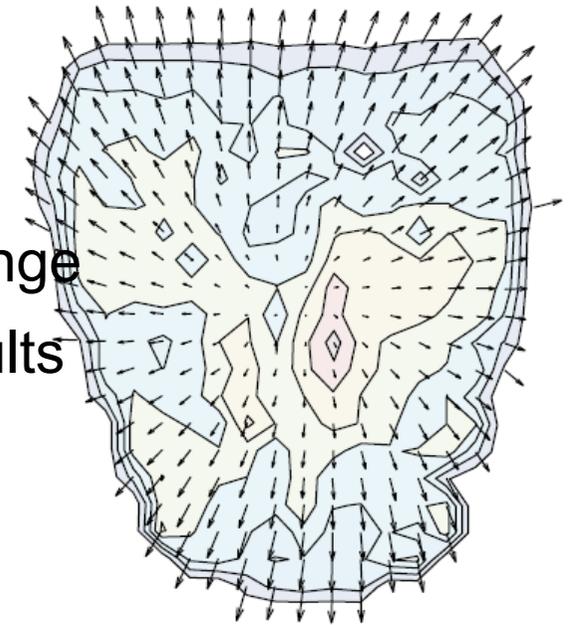
- 2 x 2 D phase space sampling with slit-slit scanner (uncorrelated)
- 0.25 mm resolution,  $\pm 40$  mm range
- 2 mrad resolution,  $\pm 100$  mrad range



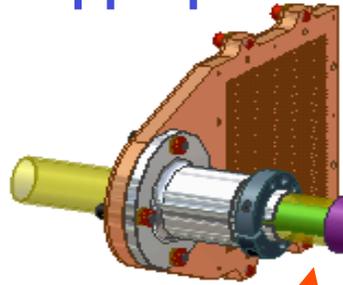
Impossible to reconstruct transversal density distribution for non cylinder symmetric beam (slit extraction) from uncorrelated emittance measurements

# The pepper pot emittance measurement device

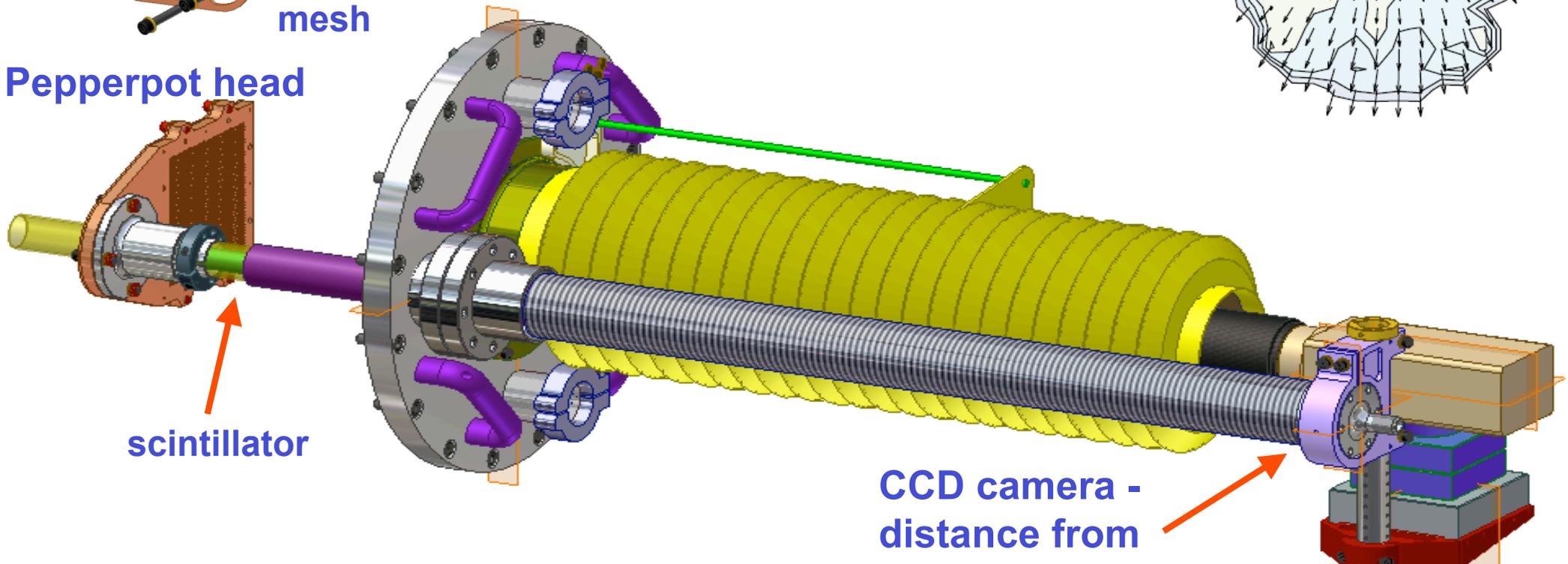
- 4 D phase space sampling
- 3 mm resolution,  $\pm 60$  mm range
- 5 mrad resolution,  $\pm 100$  mrad range
- good agreement with slit slit results



Pepperpot head



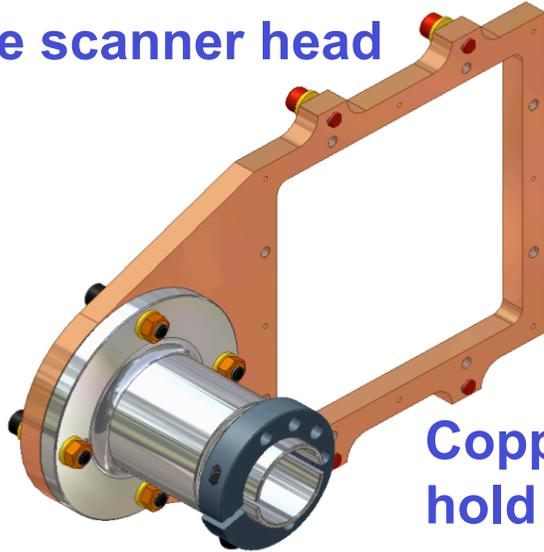
scintillator



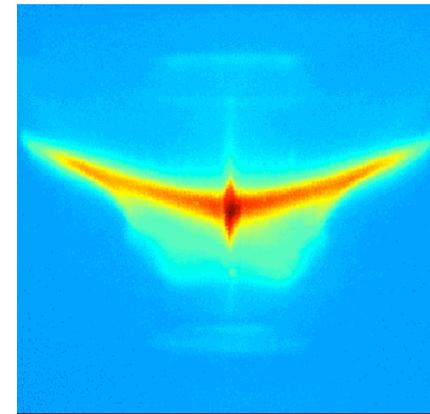
CCD camera -  
distance from

## The 2D profile measurement device

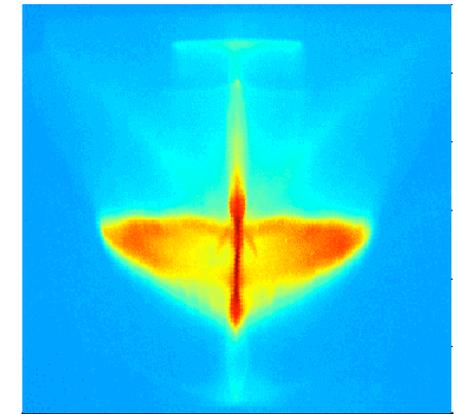
Profile scanner head



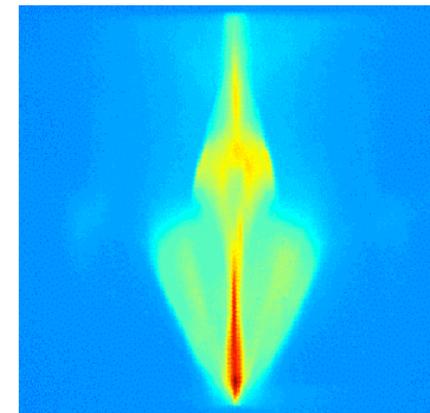
Copper frame to  
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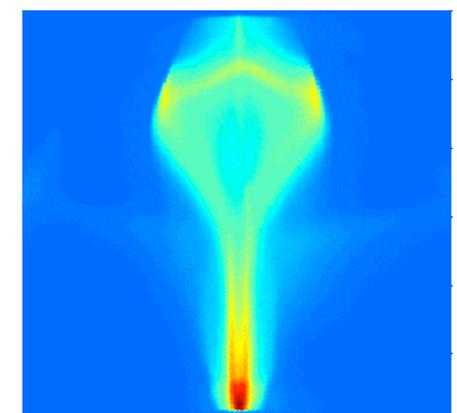
5 kV Ext



6 kV Ext



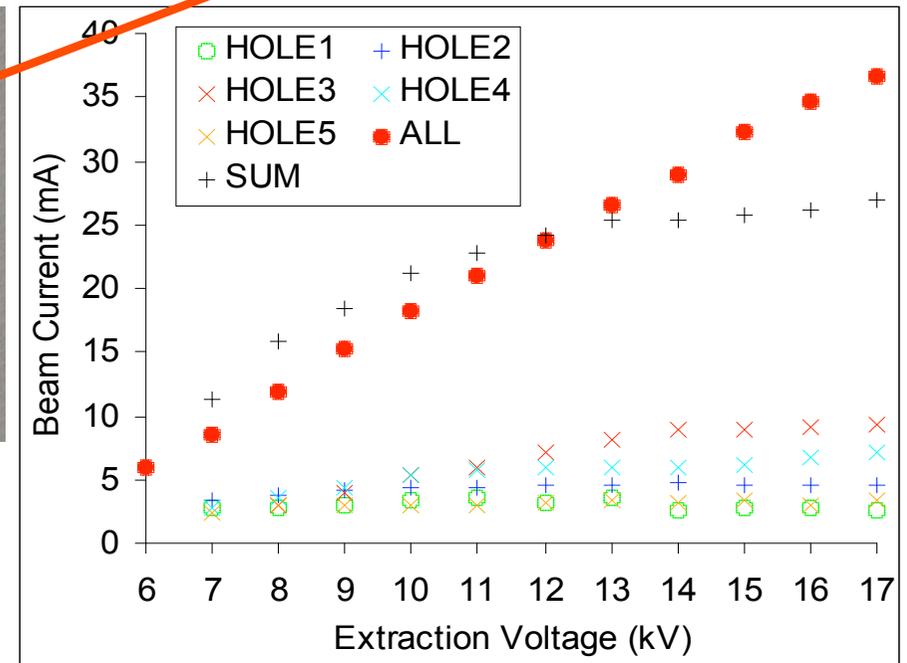
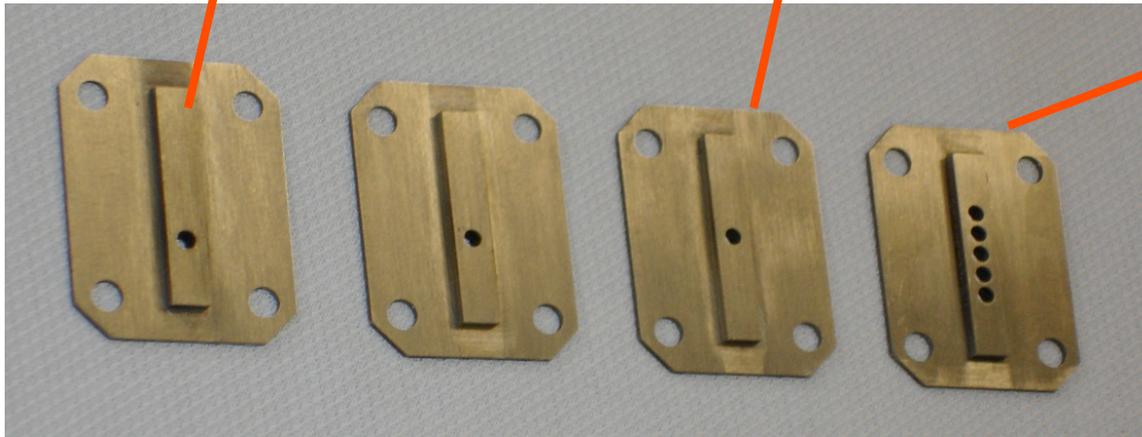
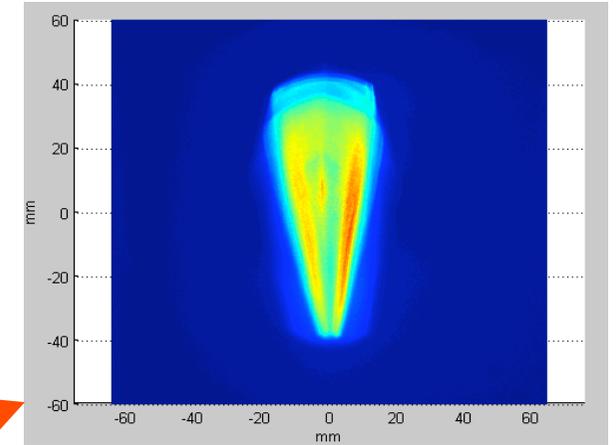
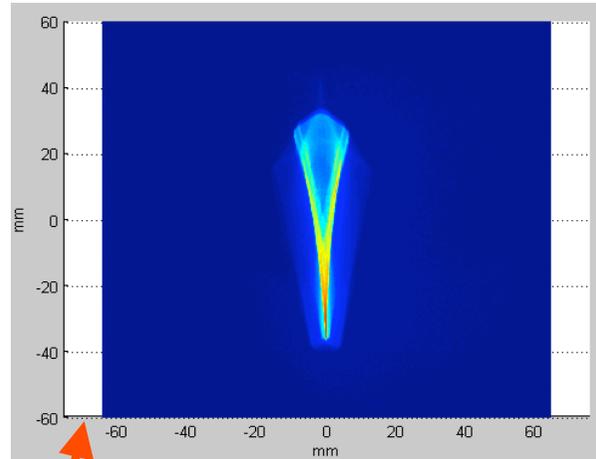
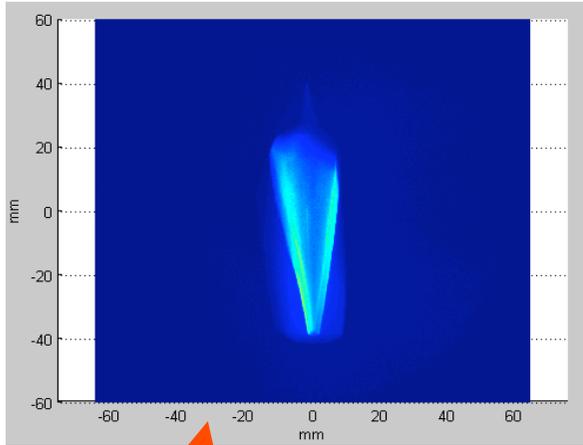
7 kV Ext



8 kV Ext

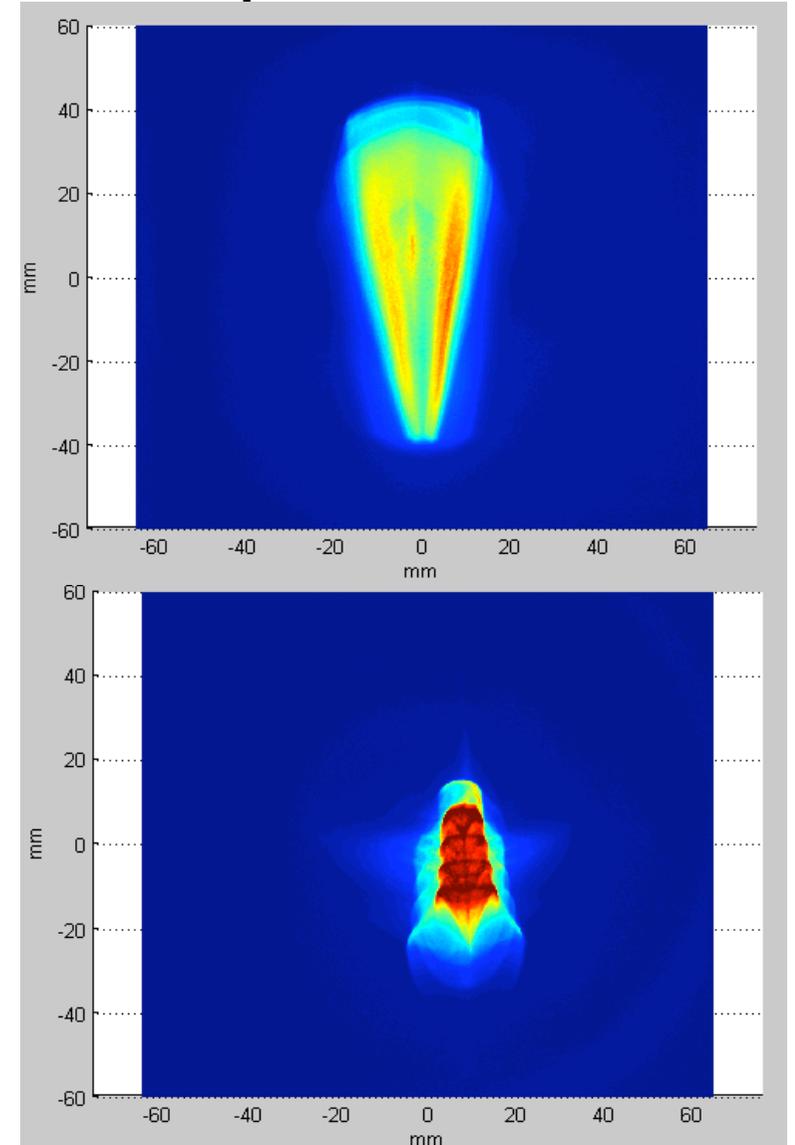
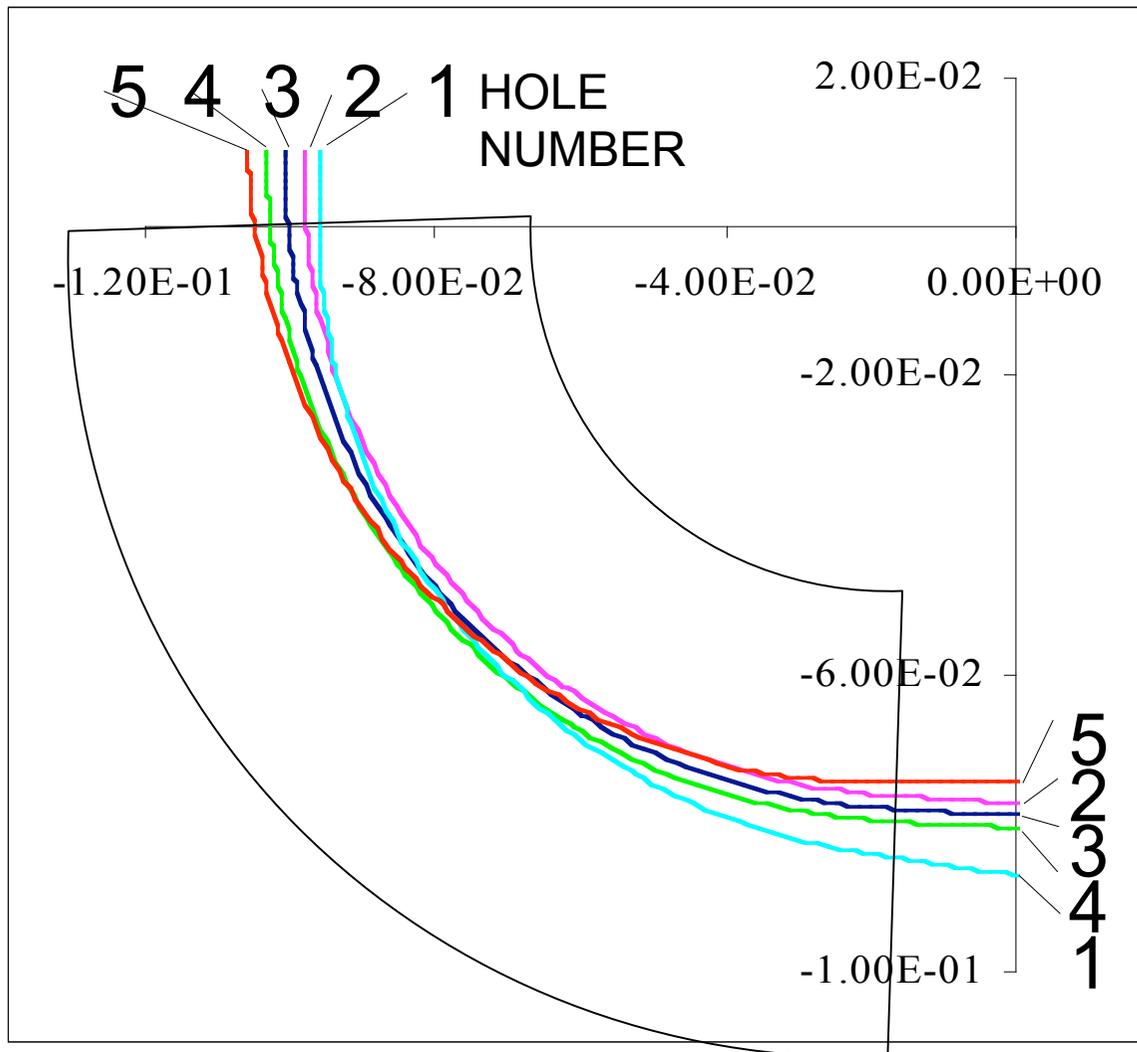
- 2 D profile measurement
- 50  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution,  $\pm 60$  mm range
- sampling at different position along beam propagation for emittance reconstruction possible

# Extraction of individual beamletts

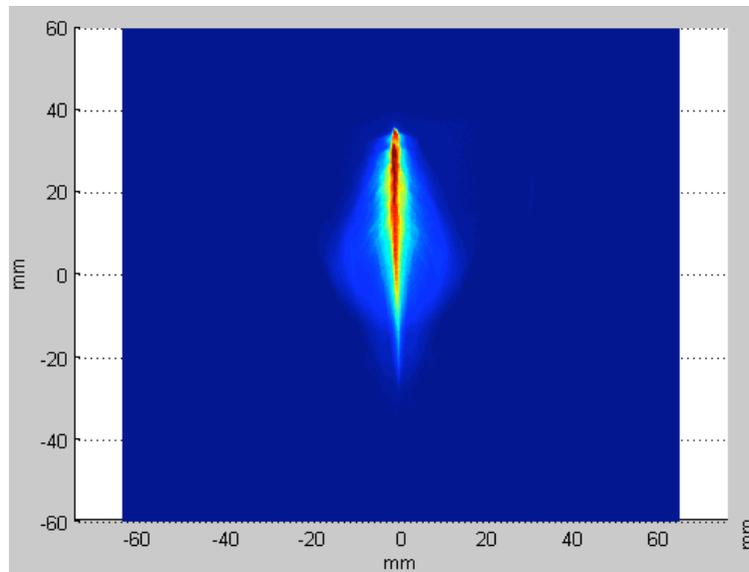


➤ beam transport in dipole heavily distorts the beam profile. Individual beamletts overlap behind the post acceleration

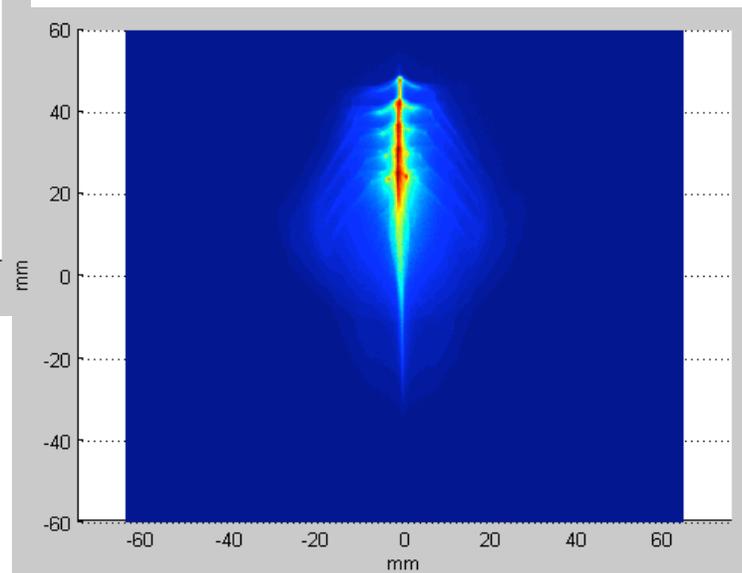
# Redesign of charge separation dipole



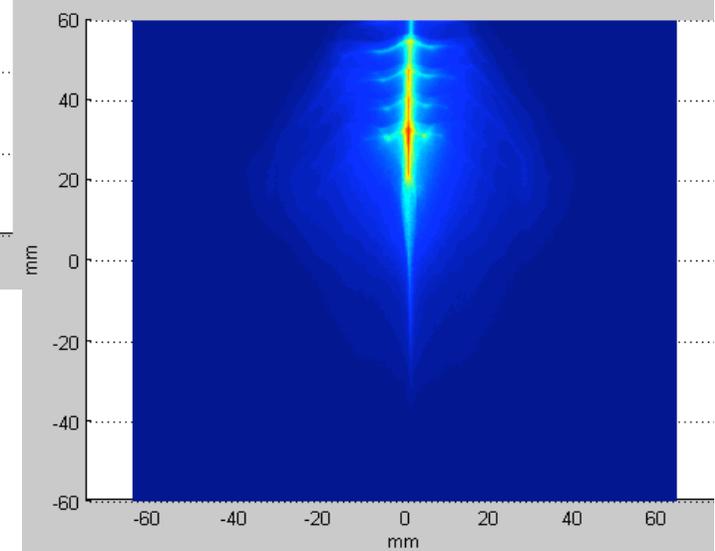
# Beam profiles for different z positions



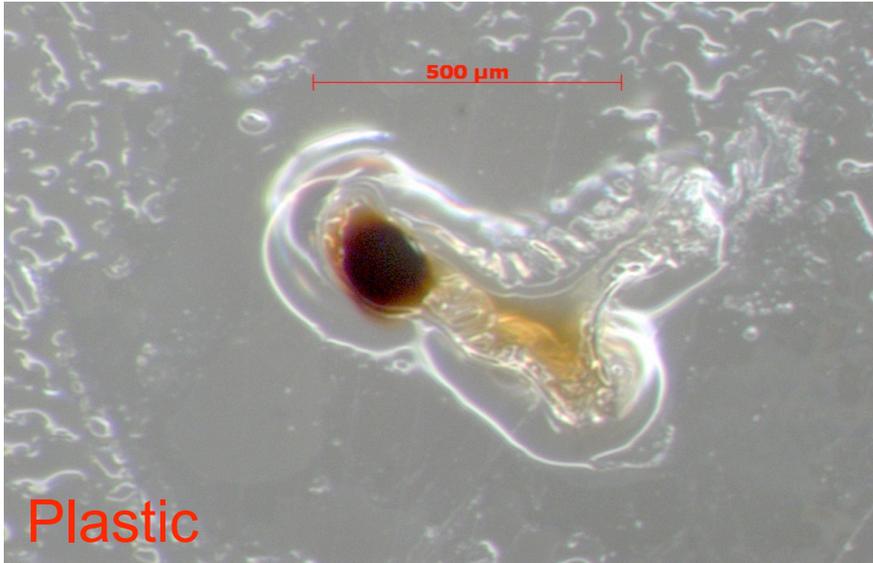
355 mm



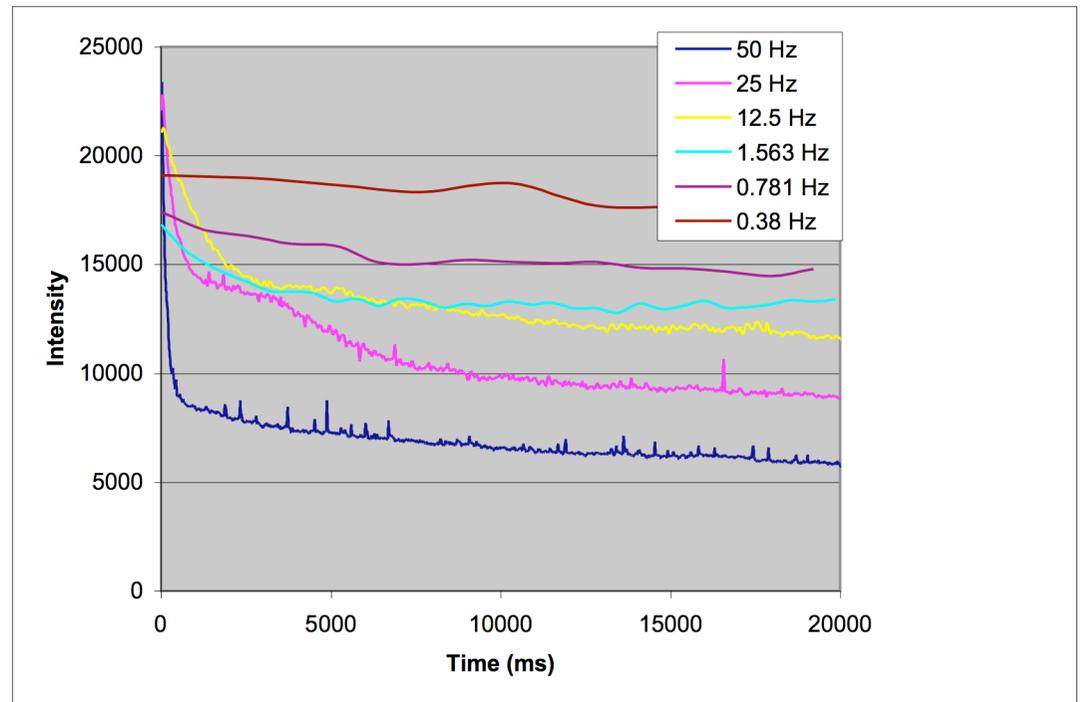
555 mm



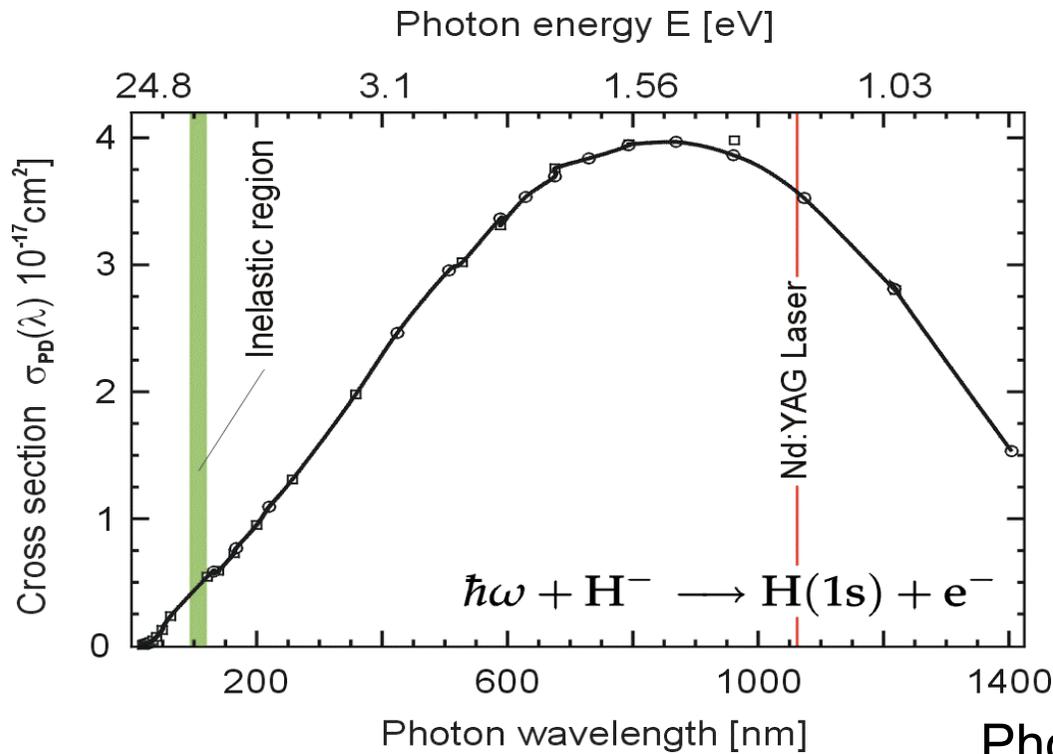
# Scintillator lifetime and irradiation damage studies



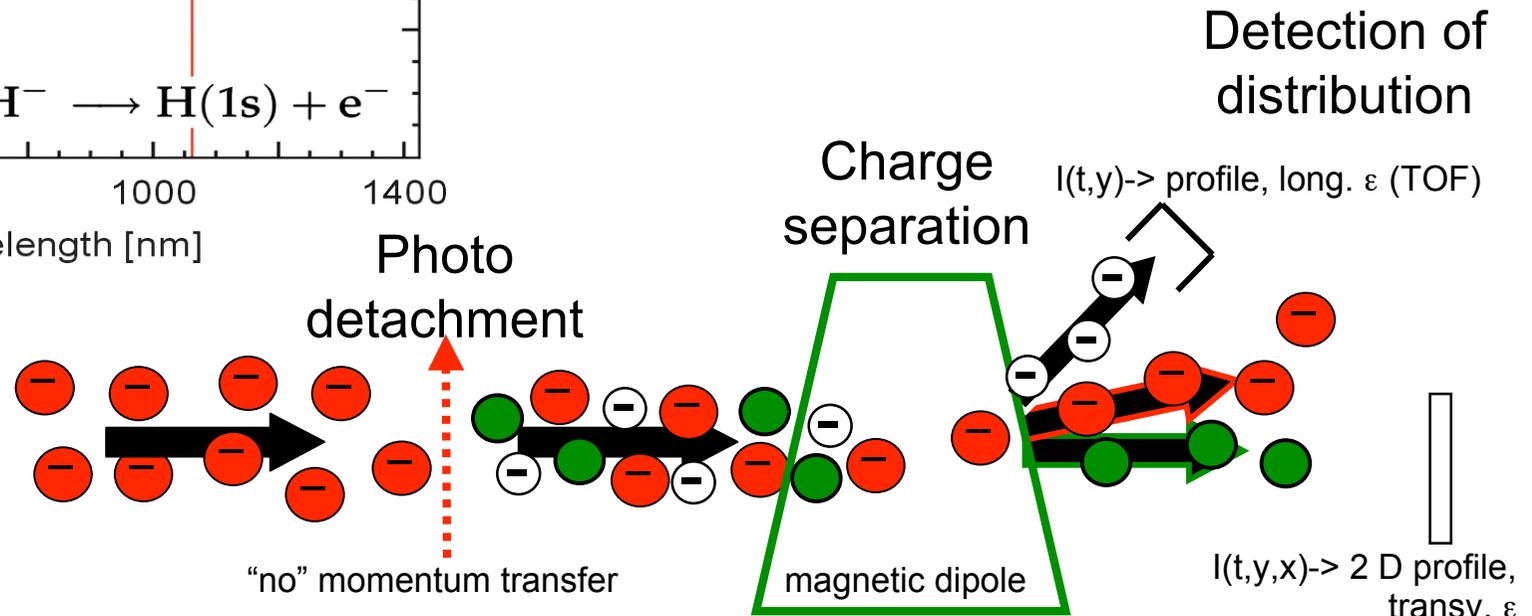
Various different scintillator materials tested (**Plastic**, **P46**, Ruby, YAG, Quartz,...) and all show radiation damage (decrease in light yield over time). Quartz seems to be most stable and is most often used for the experiments.



# Beam diagnostics using laser detachment

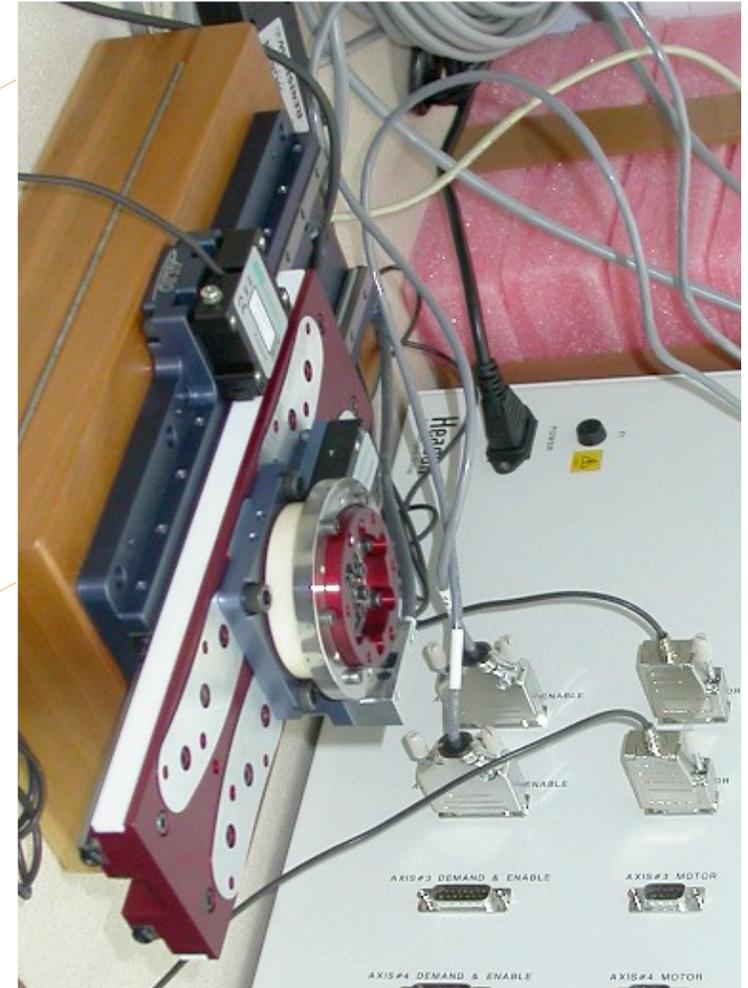
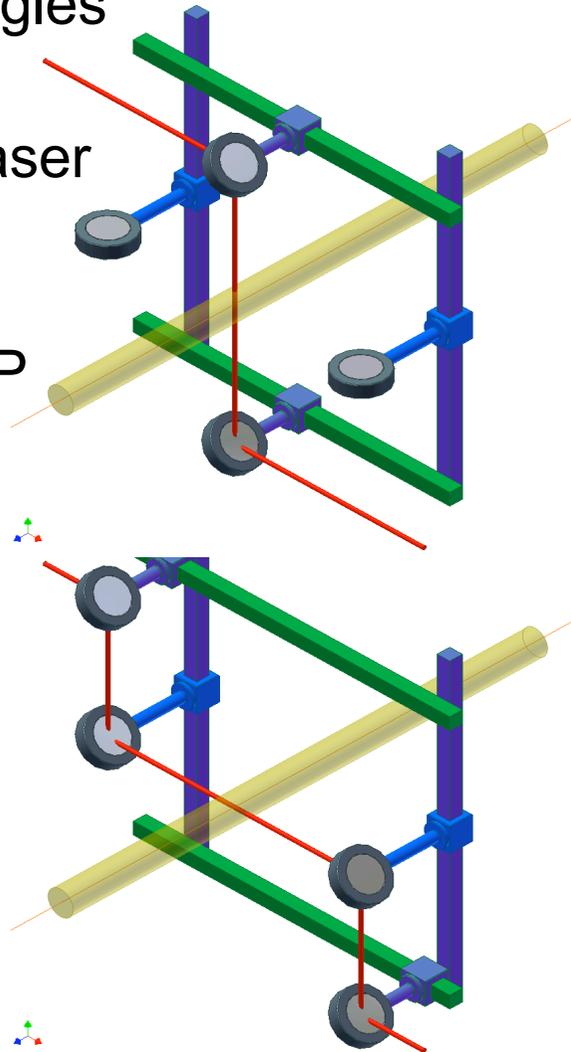
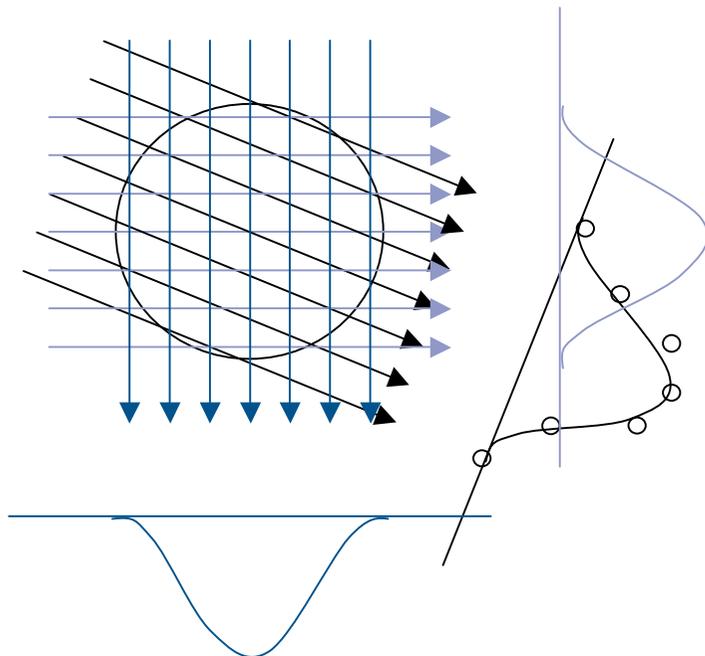


- Interaction between laser and H- beam produces neutrals and free electrons.
- magnetic dipole field separates the detached electrons and neutrals from the ion beam

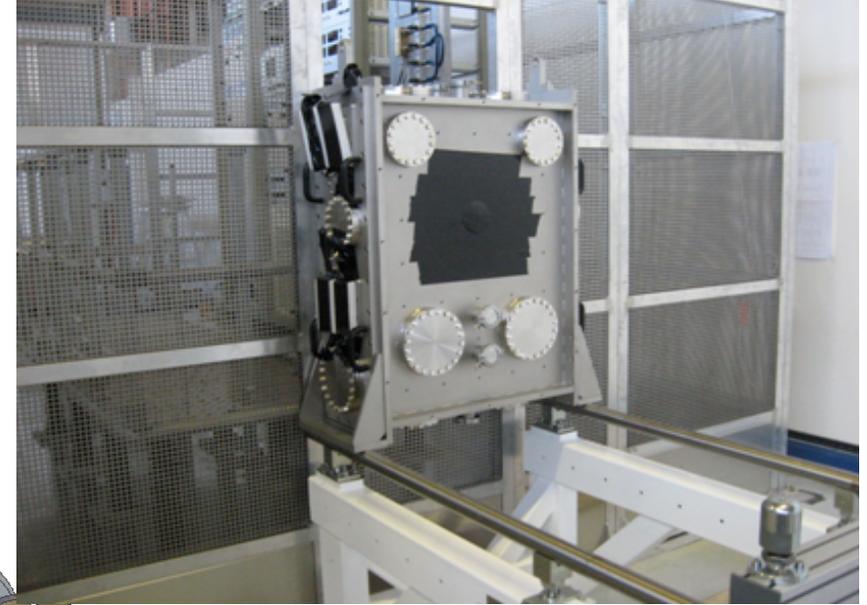
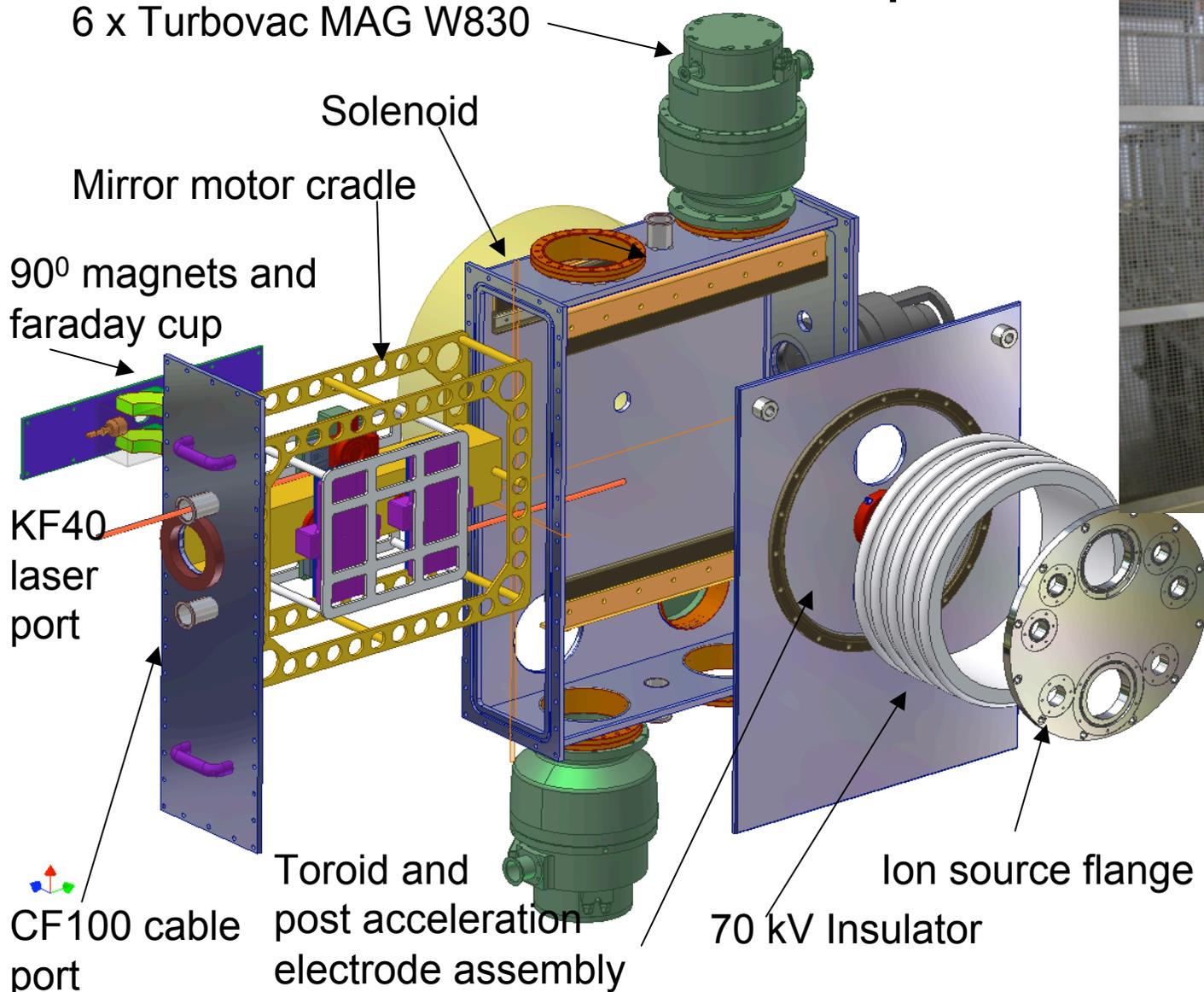


# H<sup>-</sup> beam tomography using laser detachment

- Beam profiles for different angles have to be taken.
- requires the ability to move laser beam around the ion beam.
- 2 D density profile can be reconstructed using ART or FBP



# Mechanical set up and vacuum vessel

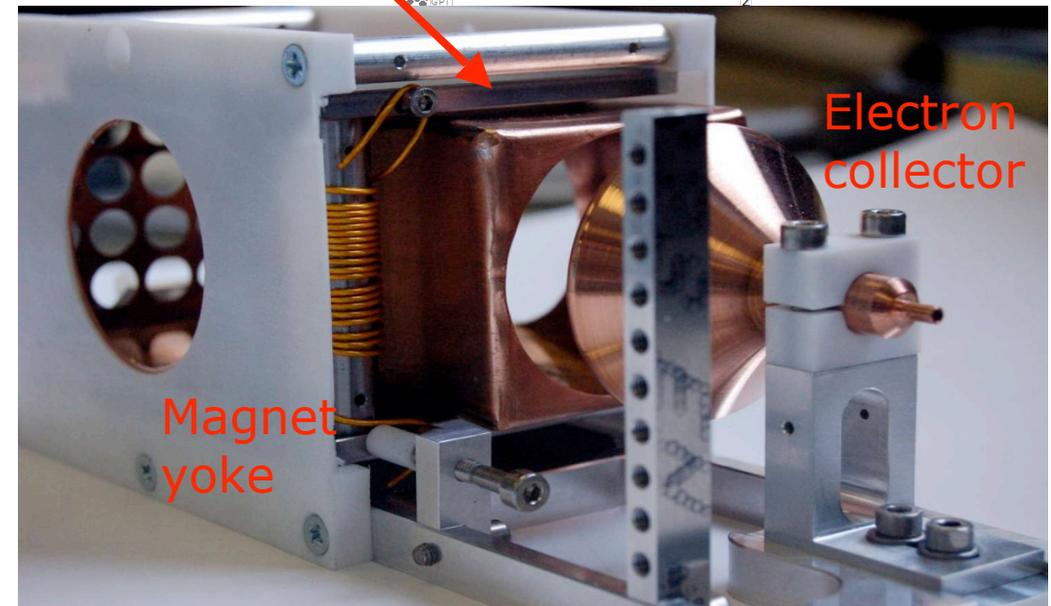
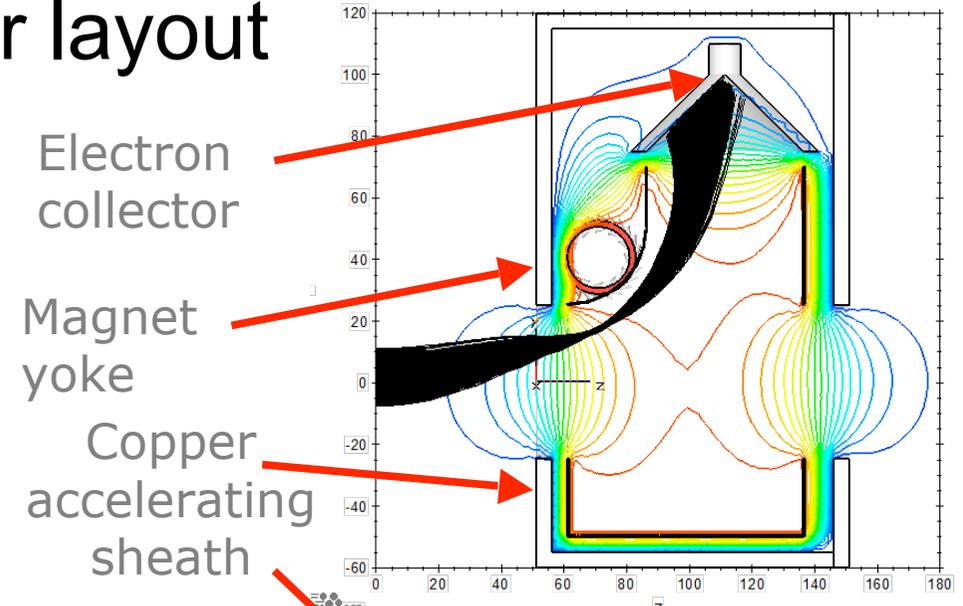
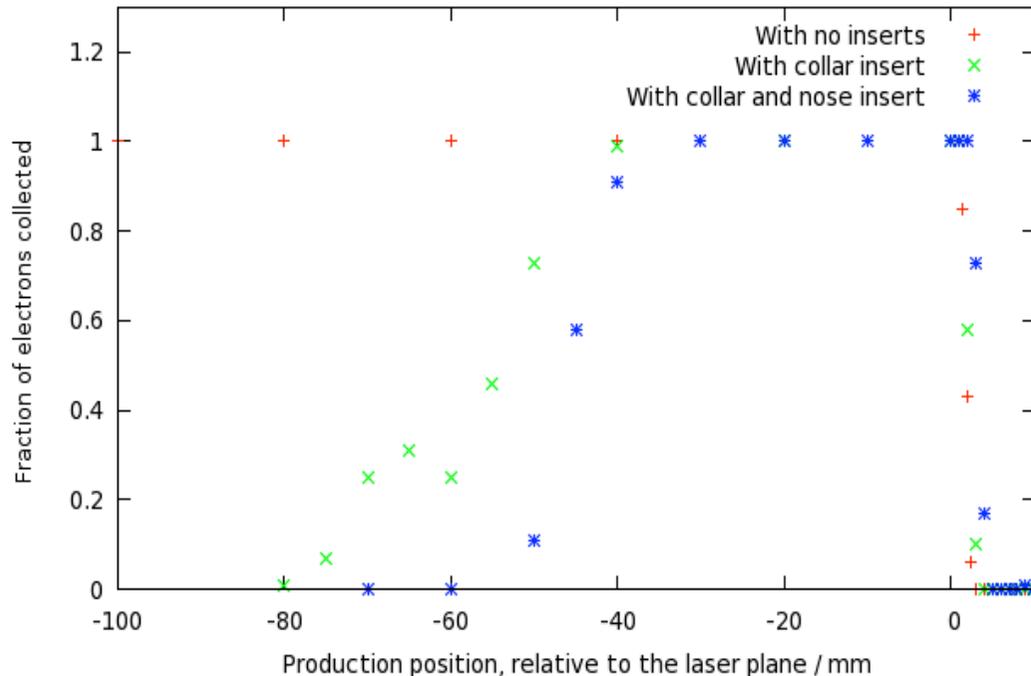


First vessel manufactured and vacuum tested, vessel internals in manufacture, first beam tests expected for end of September.

# Particle detector layout

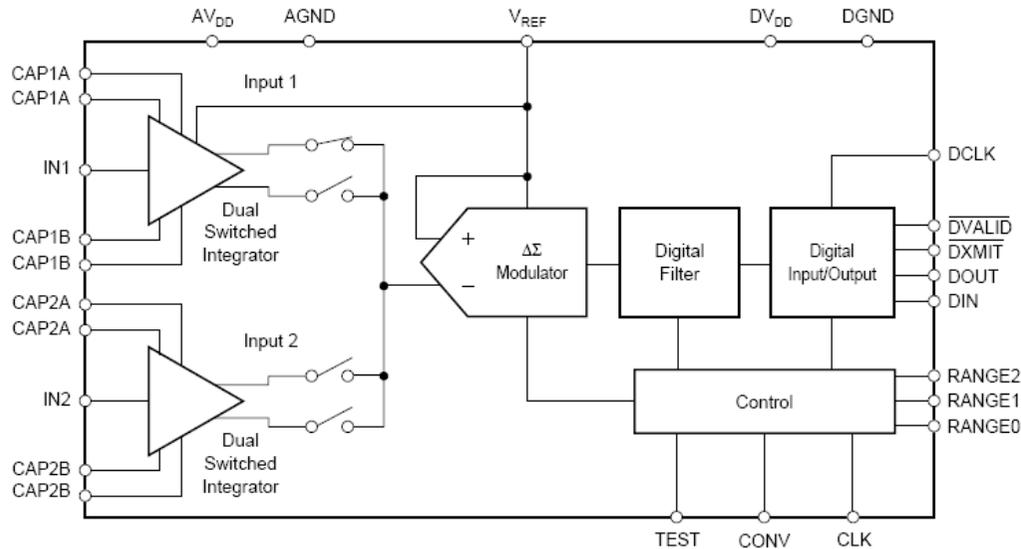
- Post acceleration of particles into the detector to increase magnetic rigidity.
- Dipole field to separate the electrons from the ion beam
- Laser neutralisation in electric field gradient to reduce noise from RGI

Fraction of the electrons collected as a function of their production position



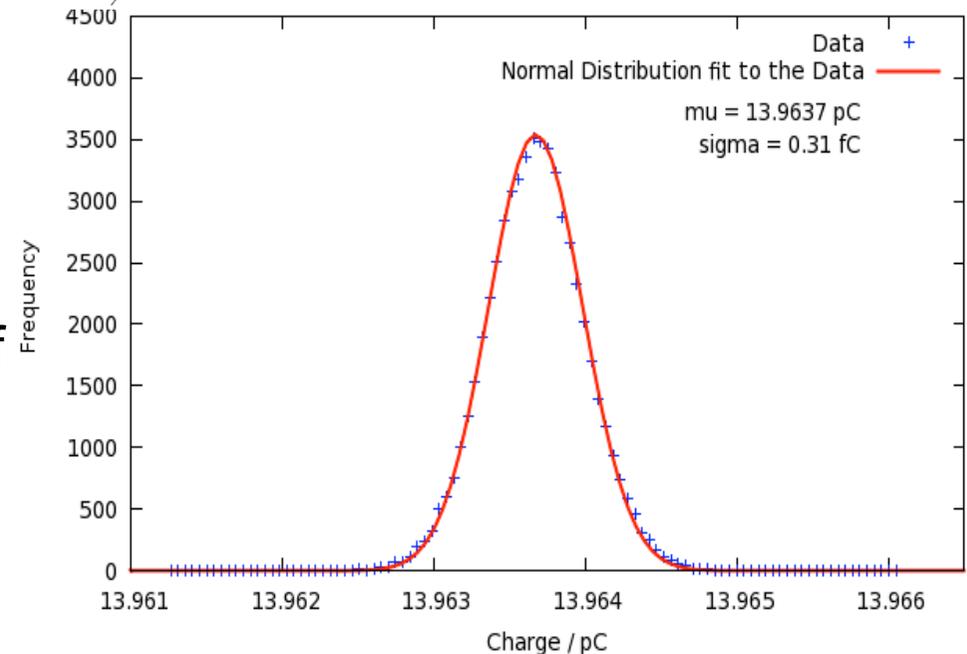
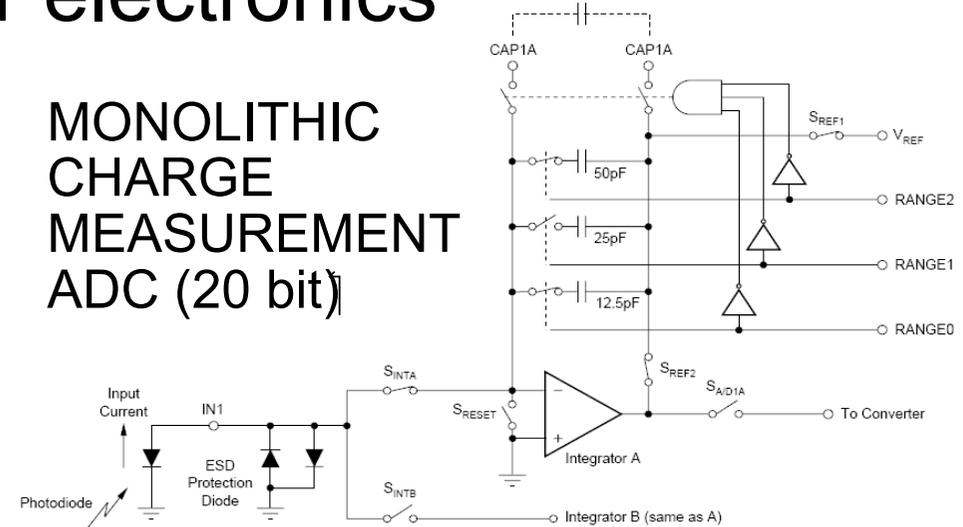
# Status of detector electronics

## Burr Brown DDC 112



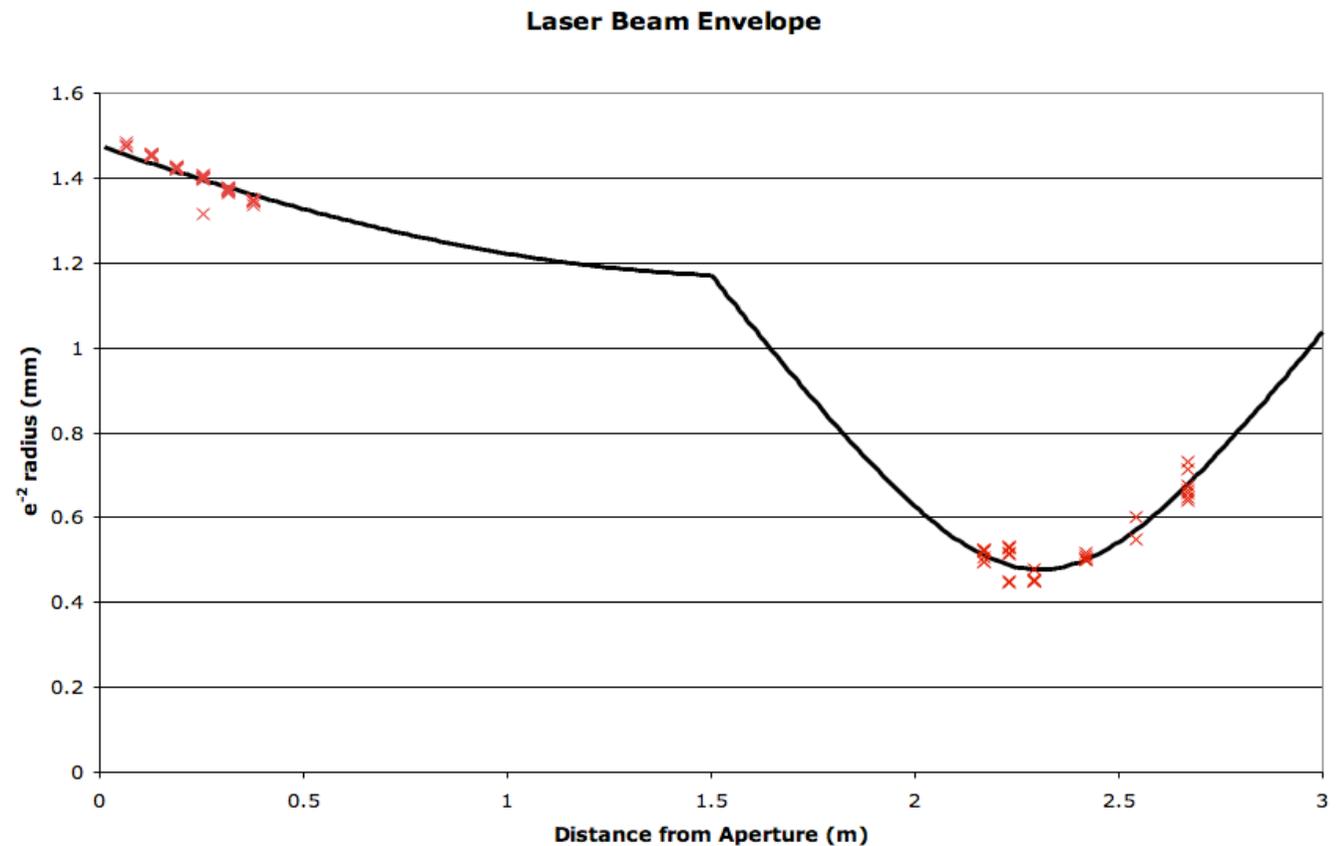
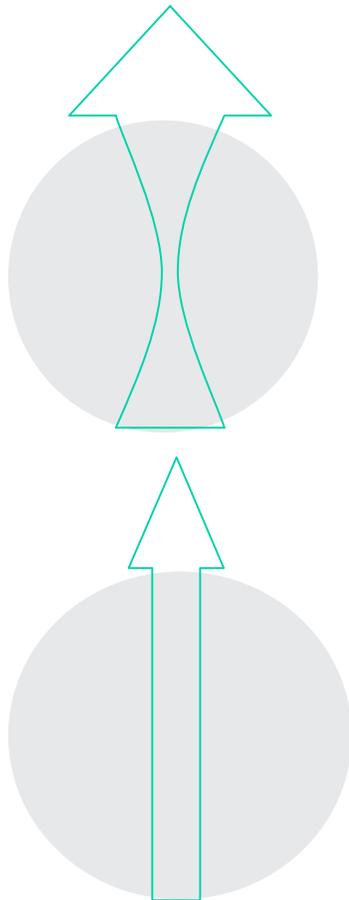
- Front end electronics built and tested
- Test charge measured with resolution of 0.31 fC ( $\approx 2000$  electrons)
- Compares favourably with expected signal size of  $\sim 10^5 - 10^7$  electrons

## MONOLITHIC CHARGE MEASUREMENT ADC (20 bit)

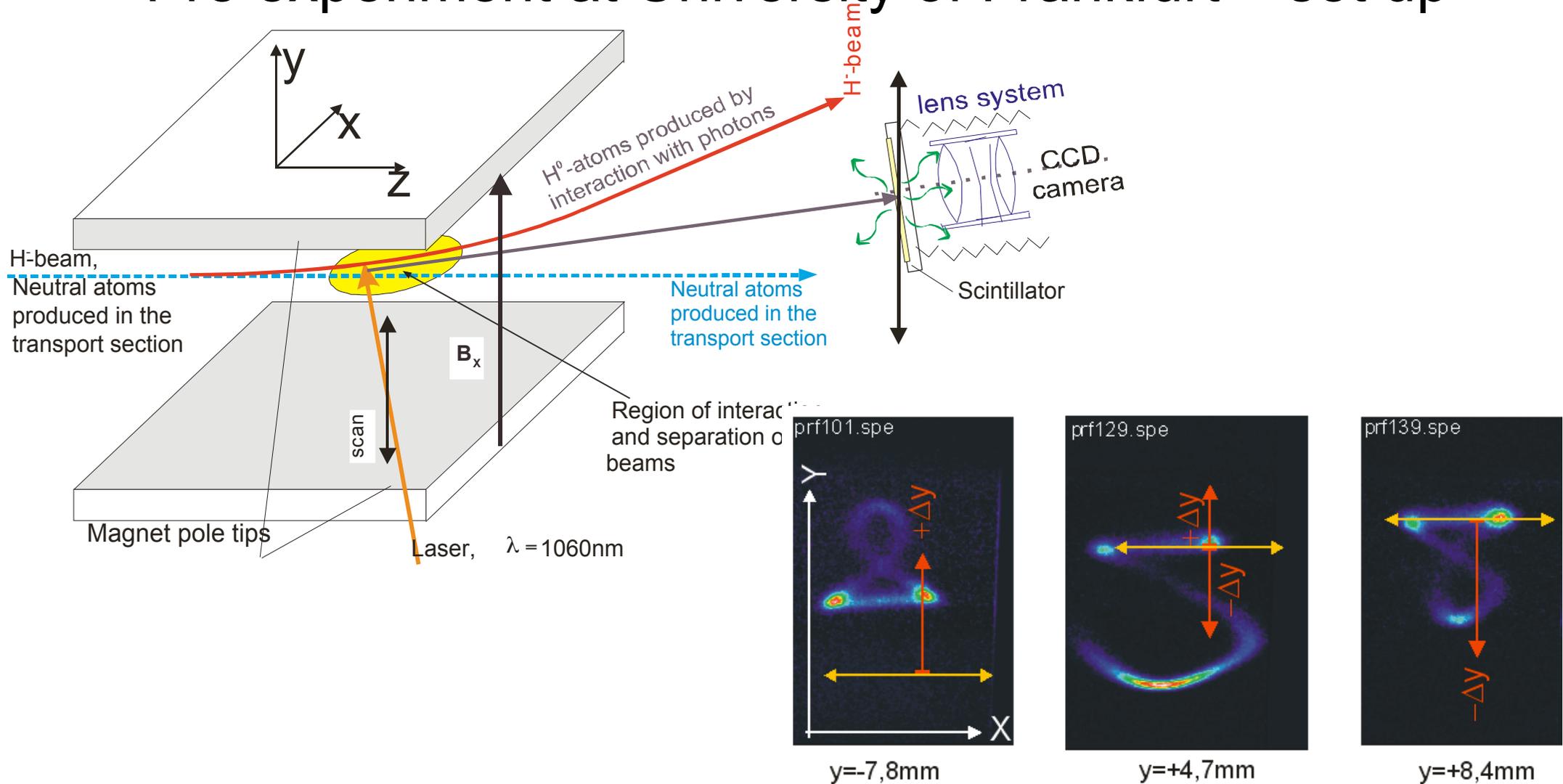


# Laser beam characterisation

- Laser envelope characterised with simple one lens system
- Minimum radius of 0.48 mm, 0.24% larger at  $\pm 25$  mm, 3.79% at  $\pm 100$  mm

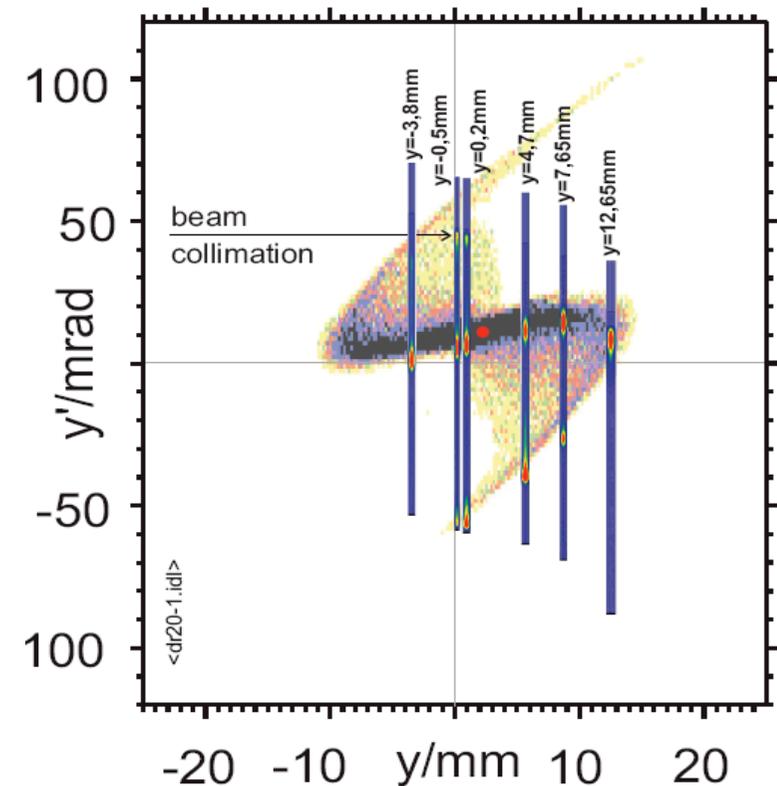
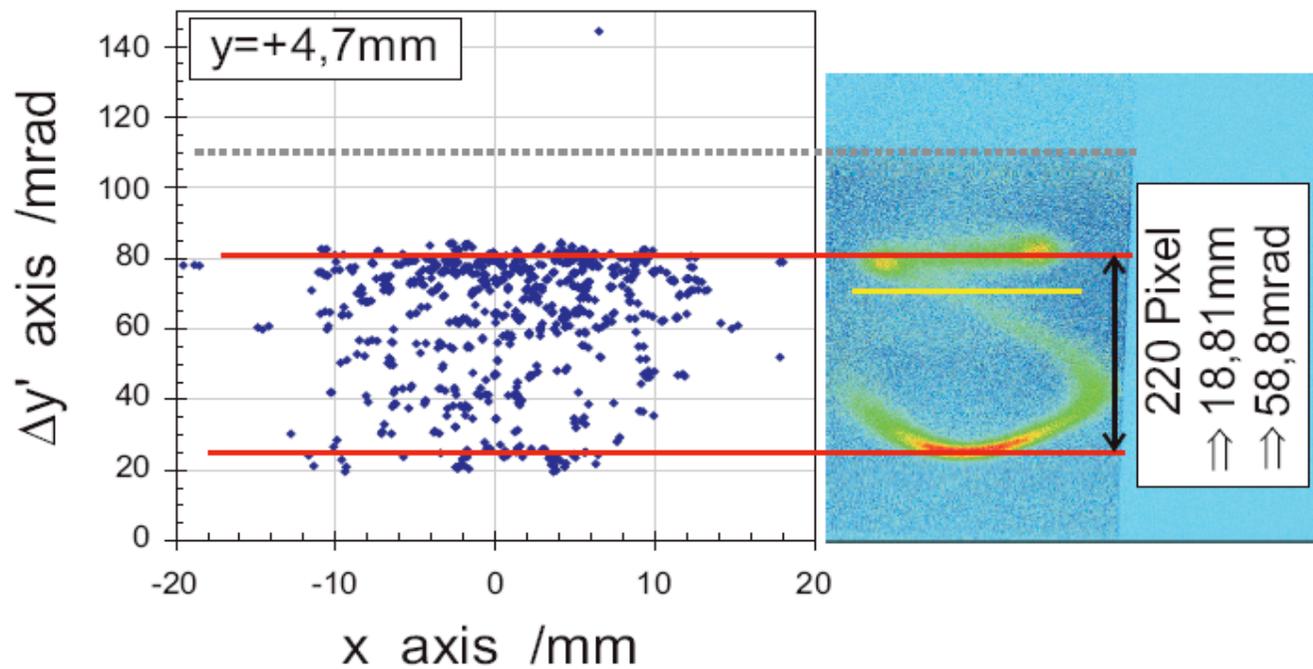


# Emittance scanner based on photo detachment: Pre experiment at University of Frankfurt – set up



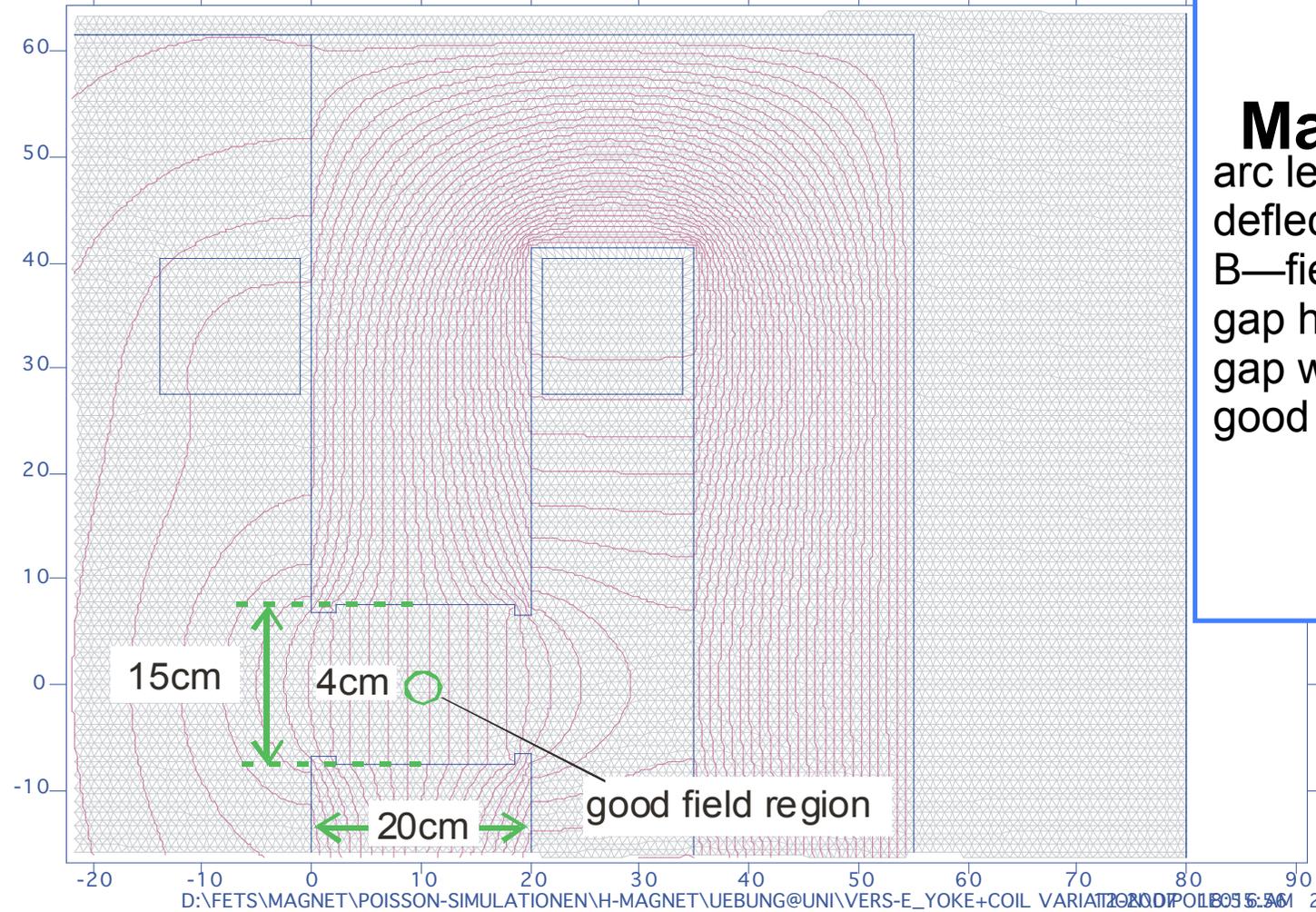
# Emittance scanner based on photo detachment: Preexperiment at University of Frankfurt - results

- Comparison between simulations (left), PD measurements (centre) and slit-slit measurements show good agreement.



# Determination of correlated transversal emittance measurements – laser scanning in x and y

Photodetachment Diagnostic Dipole (FETS)



## Magnet parameters

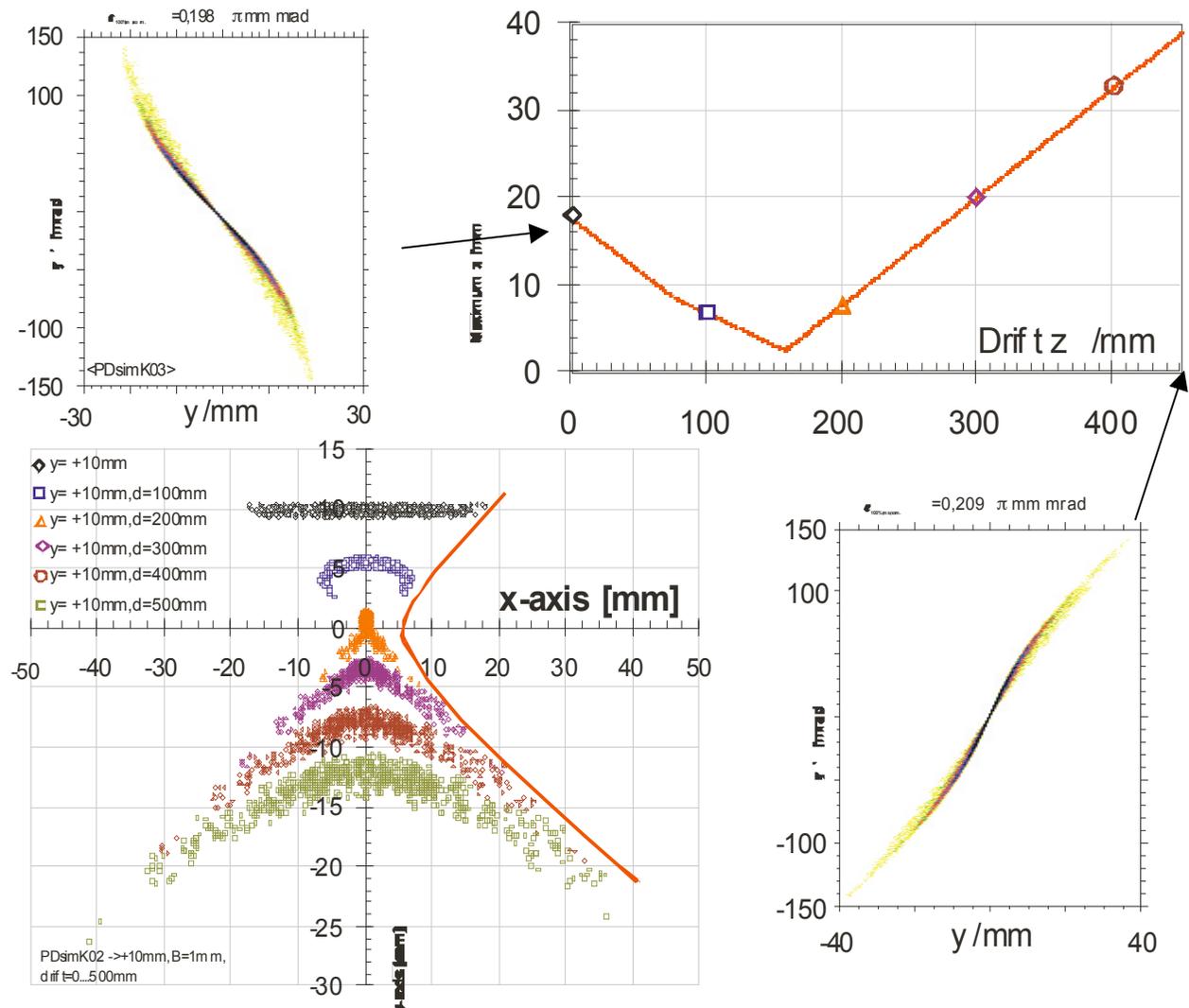
arc length:	500 mm
deflection angle:	60 deg
B—field:	0.522 T
gap high:	150 mm
gap width:	200 mm
good field region:	d=40 mm

Space requirements for scanning in two planes gives unsatisfactory results for the dipole set up

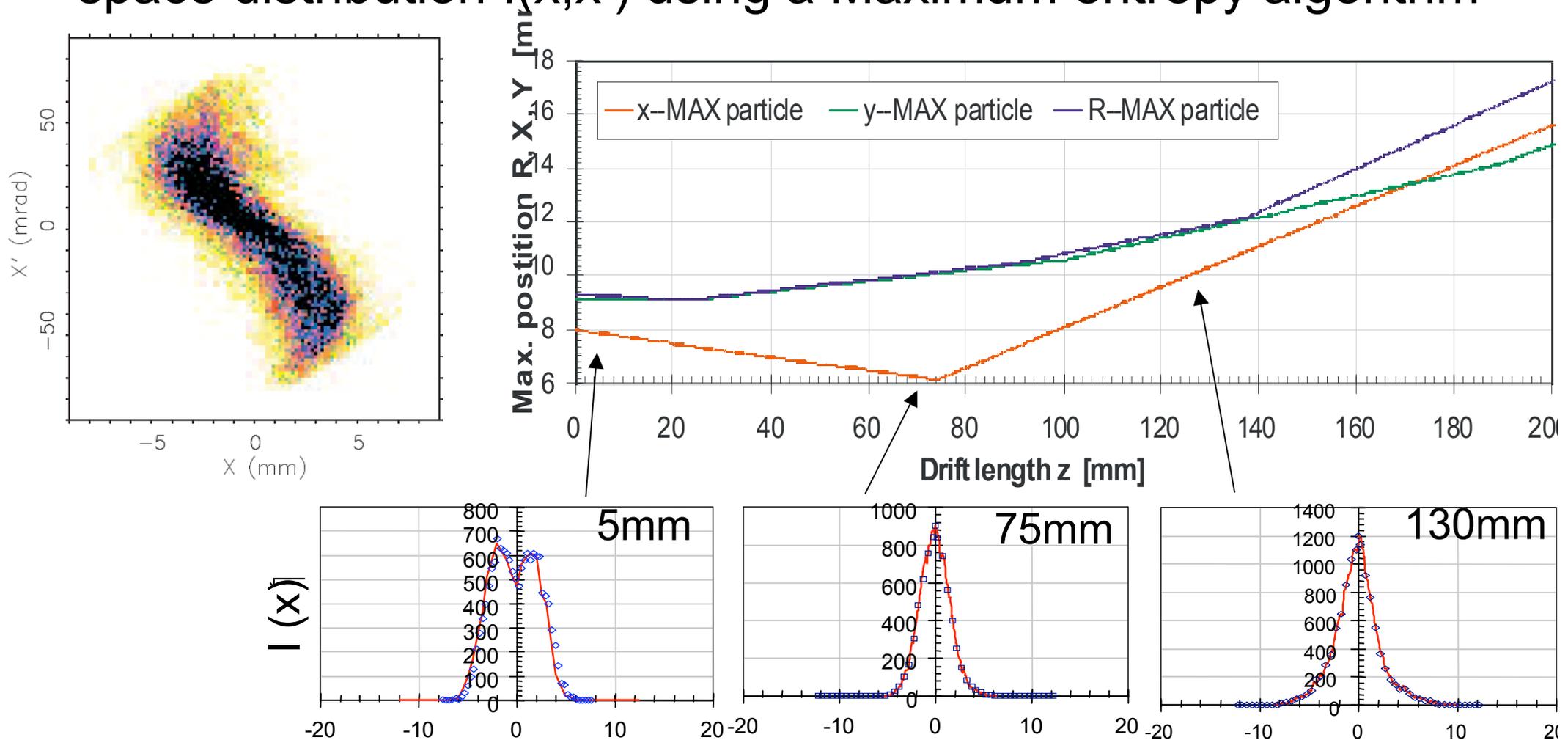
# Determination of correlated transversal emittance measurements – movable detector

Utilizing the variation of the 2-D density distribution of the neutrals as a function of the drift length  $z$  offers the opportunity of determining both  $x'$  &  $y'$

- would make dipole much more conventional
- Pepper pot mechanism could be reused or rebuild
- Simpler as 2D profile reconstruction.



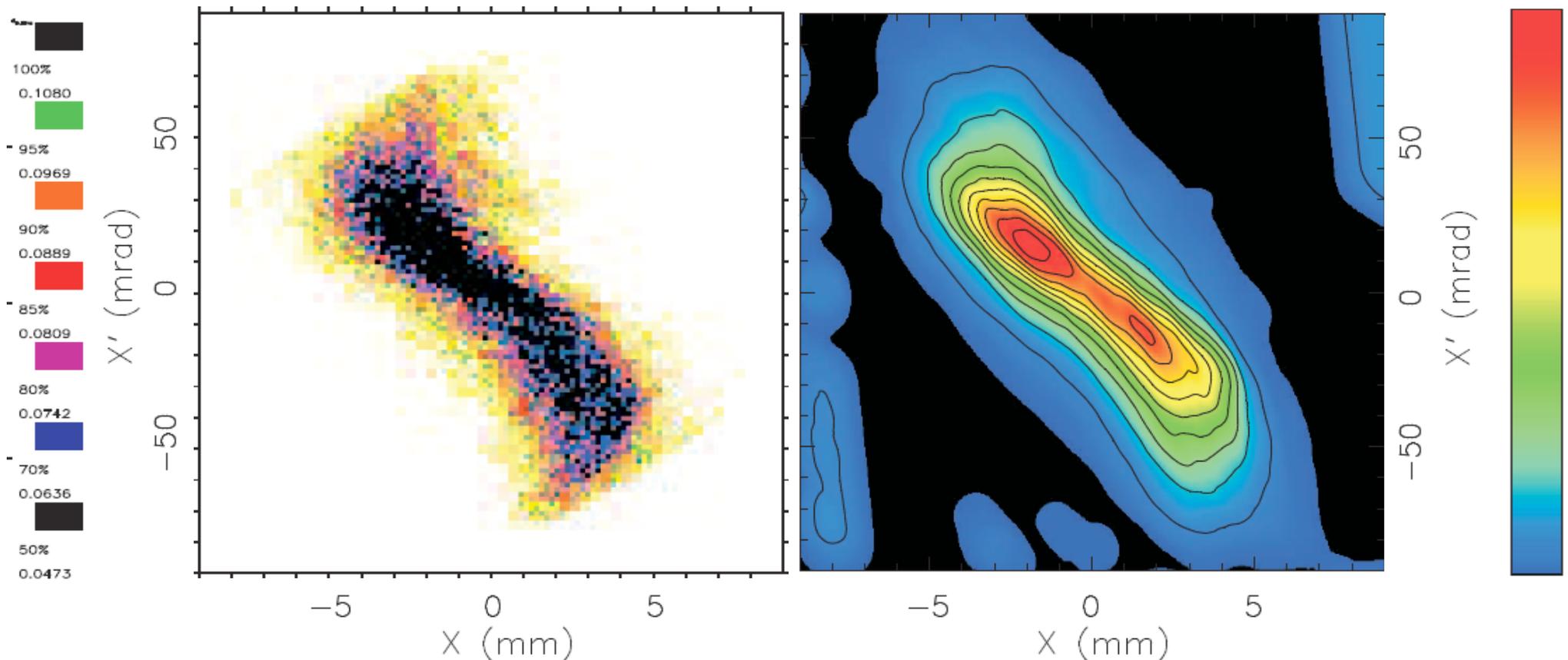
# New ideas for data analysis : Conversion of multiple $I(x,z)$ profiles into the correlated phase space distribution $I(x,x')$ using a Maximum entropy algorithm



# Conversion of 5 $I(x, z)$ profiles into the correlated phase space distribution $I(x, x')$ using a Maximum entropy algorithm

input Distribution

reconstructed Distribution





New ideas for data analysis :  
Conversion of multiple  $I(x,y,z)$  profiles into the correlated  
phase space distribution  $I(x,x',y,y')$



## Summary

- Pepper pot device successfully tested, comparison show good agreement with slit-slit scanner
- Results of pepper pot data lead to significant improvement of particle dynamics in the LEBT
- Laser detachment beam profile diagnostics well under way, components tested, first results of beam measurements expected for autumn this year.
- Development of LD emittance underway. Setup for mechanical 2D scanning problematic (dipole), but new improved data analyses might facilitate mechanical set up substantially.
- Reconstruction of emittance from multiple profile measurements using a Maximum Entropy algorithm very promising.

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