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# **Modeling of intrabeam scattering in electron injectors**

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- Uncorrelated energy spread in x-ray FELs

- FEL brightness:

$$B = \frac{2I}{\epsilon_{n_x} \epsilon_{n_y} \sigma_\gamma}$$

Diagram illustrating the FEL brightness equation  $B = \frac{2I}{\epsilon_{n_x} \epsilon_{n_y} \sigma_\gamma}$ . The terms are annotated as follows:

- $2I$ : peak current
- $\epsilon_{n_x} \epsilon_{n_y}$ : transverse emittance
- $\sigma_\gamma$ : uncorrelated (slice) energy spread (SES)

**Lower SES → higher brightness electron beams**

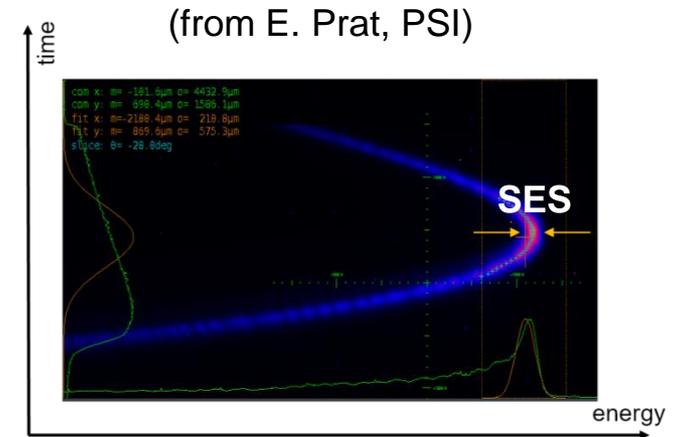
- For FEL performance:  $\frac{\sigma_\gamma}{\gamma} < \rho$  ← FEL parameter
- Compression schemes for short bunches require small energy spread
- Critical interaction between SES and micro-bunching instability (MBI) via Landau damping

# Introduction

## ▪ Intrabeam scattering (IBS) and SES

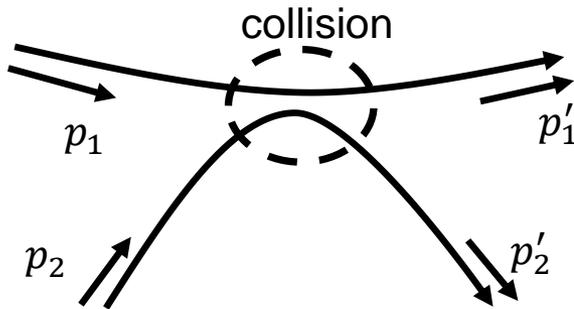
- Recent measurements in FEL injectors:

Facility	Q (pC)	E (MeV)	L (m)	SES (keV)
SwissFEL	200	320	110	6
EuXFEL	250	130	45	4
PITZ	250	20	20	2



- Numerical simulations suggest **SES ~ 0.5-1 keV**
- **The SES growth is due to IBS:** Di Mitri et al., *Experimental evidence of intrabeam scattering in a free-electron laser driver*, (2020)
- Analytical models cannot describe the SES growth in the injector section due to the highly nonlinear beam dynamics there

- IBS = Short-range Coulomb collisions within the bunch
  - Non-collective effect: standard space-charge tracking solvers not sufficient
  - Single collision events cannot be resolved by time step
  - For a simple binary collision:

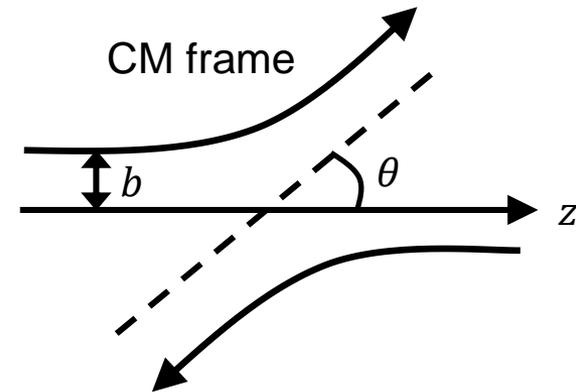
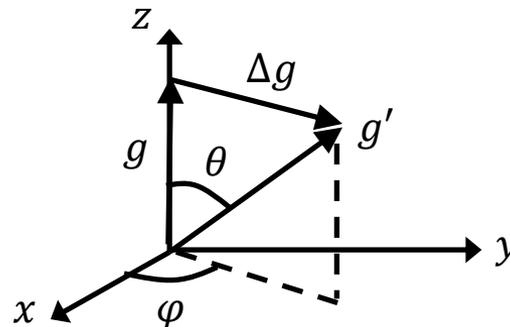


relative momenta

$$g = p_1 - p_2$$

$$g' = p'_1 - p'_2 \quad |g| = |g'|$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = \frac{me^2}{2\pi\epsilon_0 g^2 b}$$



post-collision momenta

$$p'_1 = p_1 + \Delta g/2$$

$$p'_2 = p_2 - \Delta g/2$$

- Piwinski model (1974 → 2017)

- Relative momentum change (lab frame):

$$\left(\frac{\delta p_1}{p}\right)_s = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \gamma \frac{g_\perp}{p} \cos\phi \sin\theta + \frac{g}{p} (\cos\theta - 1) \right], \quad \left(\frac{\delta p_1}{p}\right)_x = \dots, \quad \left(\frac{\delta p_1}{p}\right)_y = \dots$$

- Relative energy (long. invariant):  $H = \left(\frac{g}{p}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \delta H_1 = 2 \frac{g}{p} \frac{\delta p_1}{p} + \left(\frac{\delta p_1}{p}\right)^2$

- Relative energy change in a bunch (Piwinski, 1974):

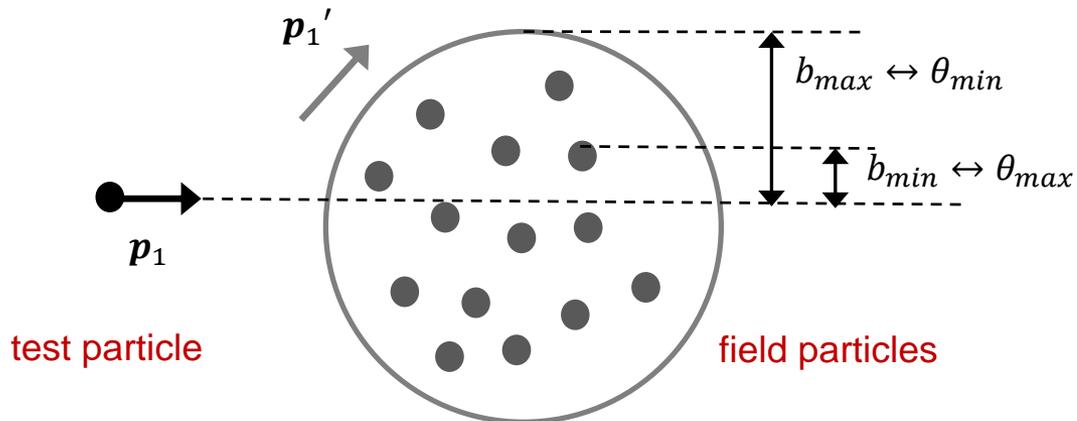
$$\left\langle \frac{d \langle H \rangle}{dt \gamma^2} \right\rangle = \int d^3 p_2 d^3 r_2 d^3 p_1 d^3 r_1 \underbrace{f_1(r_1, p_1) f_1(r_2, p_2)}_{\text{Gaussian bunch}} g \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{\theta_{\min}}^{\theta_{\max}} d\theta \frac{d\sigma(g, \theta, \phi)}{d\Omega} \left(\frac{\delta H_1}{\gamma^2}\right)$$

- High energy approximation:

$$\sigma_\gamma \frac{d\sigma_\gamma}{dz} = \frac{r_e^2 N_b \Lambda_c}{8 \varepsilon_x^n \sigma_x \sigma_z} \quad (\text{Bane, 2002})$$

# Monte-Carlo collision schemes

- Cumulative scattering angle distribution



$$\frac{d\sigma(g, \theta)}{d\Omega} = \frac{r_e^2}{16\Delta\beta^4} \frac{1}{\sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}$$

Variance of scattering angle for single collision event:

$$\langle \theta^2 \rangle = \frac{\int_{\theta_{min}}^{\theta_{max}} d\theta \sin(\theta) \theta^2 \frac{d\sigma(g, \theta)}{d\Omega}}{\int_{\theta_{min}}^{\theta_{max}} d\theta \sin(\theta) \frac{d\sigma(g, \theta)}{d\Omega}} = 2\theta_{min}^2 \ln\left(\frac{\theta_{max}}{\theta_{min}}\right)$$

Coulomb log.:

$$\Lambda_c = \ln\left(\frac{\theta_{max}}{\theta_{min}}\right) \approx \ln\left(\frac{b_{max}}{b_{min}}\right)$$

with:  $b_{min} \approx \frac{r_e}{2(\Delta\beta)^2}$ ,  $b_{max} \approx \lambda_D$  (?)

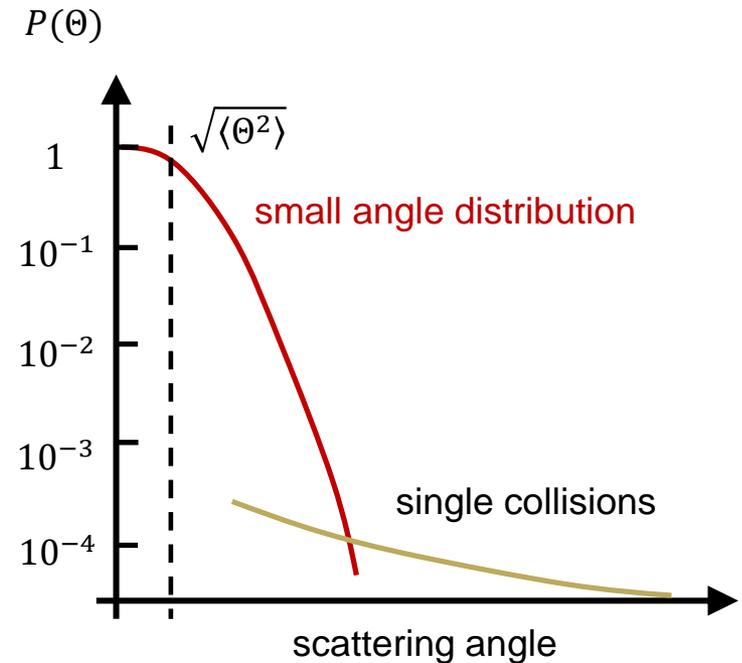
# Monte-Carlo collision schemes

## ▪ Cumulative scattering angle distribution

- For large number of (small angle) collisions:
  - Distribution is Gaussian
  - For N collisions:

$$\langle \theta^2 \rangle = N \langle \theta^2 \rangle \text{ with: } N = 2\pi b_{max}^2 n g \Delta t$$

- But:
  - Distribution is not Gaussian for 'small' N
  - Flat tail at large angles (rare events)
  - Rutherford formula is valid for small angles only
  - Value of  $\Lambda_c$  is ambiguous in practical calculations



(modified from Jacksons' book)

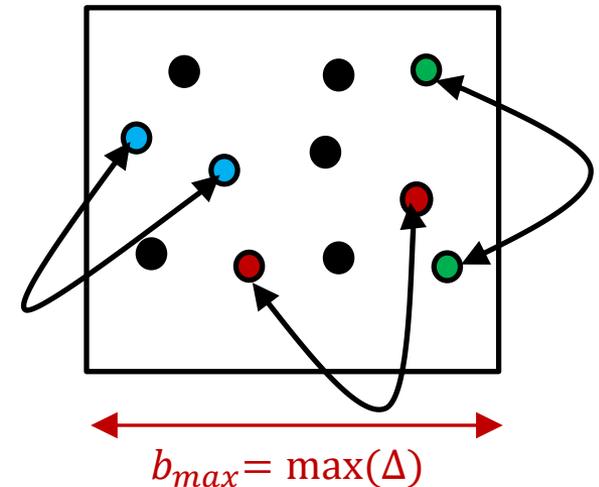
# Monte-Carlo collision schemes

- Takizuka & Abe (1977)

- Transform momenta in the bunch rest frame
- Compute charge density in each mesh cell
- Pair particles randomly within each cell
- For each pair:
  - Produce a random scattering angle from normal distribution:

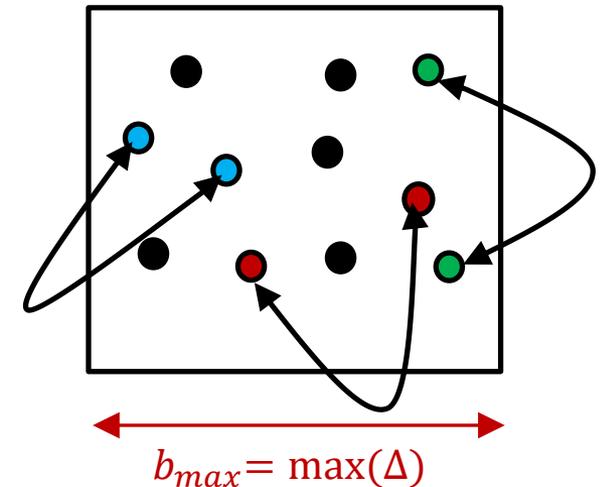
$$\langle \Theta^2 \rangle = 2 N \theta_{min}^2 \ln \left( \frac{\theta_{max}}{\theta_{min}} \right)$$

- Rotate  $\Delta g$  in the CM-frame with  $(\theta, \varphi)$  with  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi]$
- Compute scattered momenta of the two particles,  $p' = p \pm \frac{1}{2} \Delta g$
- Transform momenta back to the lab frame
- Proceed with space-charge calculations to the next time step



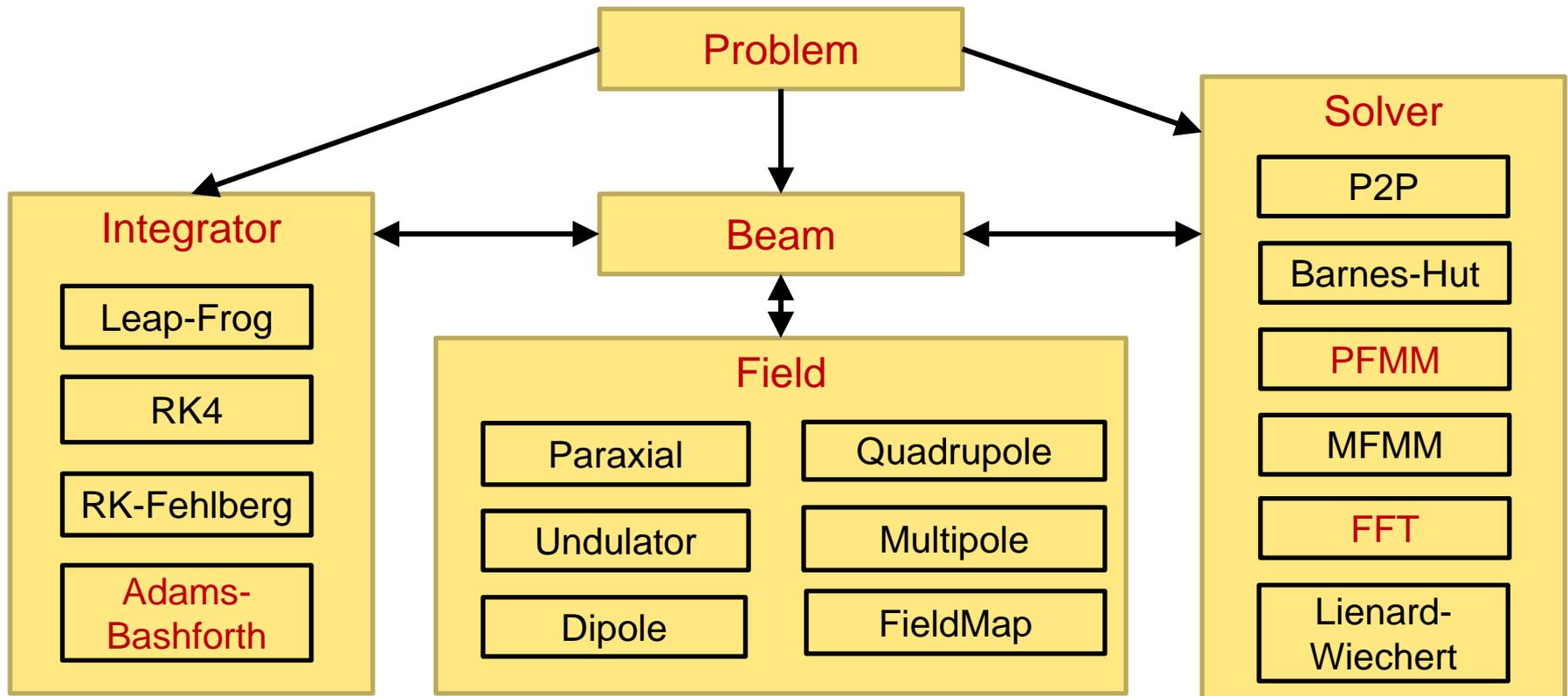
# Monte-Carlo collision schemes

- Nanbu (1994)
  - Transform momenta in the bunch rest frame
  - Compute charge density in each mesh cell
  - Pair particles randomly within each cell
  - For each pair:
    - Solve:  $\coth(A) - A^{-1} = \exp(-2\langle\theta^2\rangle)$
    - Generate a scattering angle from distribution:  
 $\theta(u) = \arccos \{ \log[\exp(-A) + 2u \sinh(A)] \}, u \in [0,1]$
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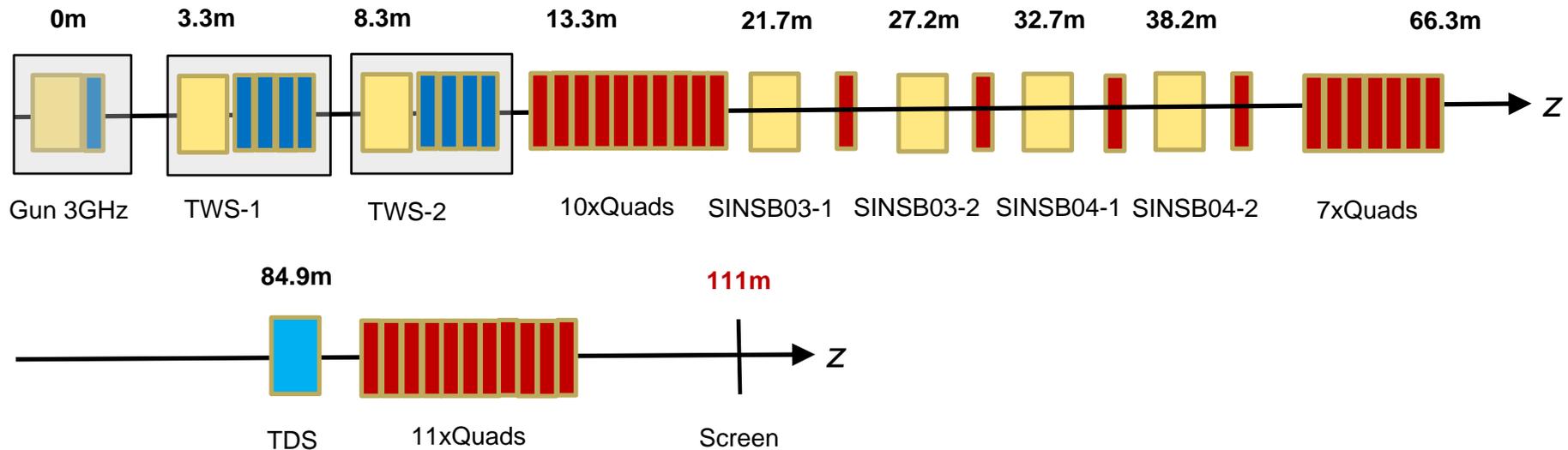
# The Reptil code

- RElativistic Particle Tracking for Injectors & Linacs



# Simulations for the SwissFEL

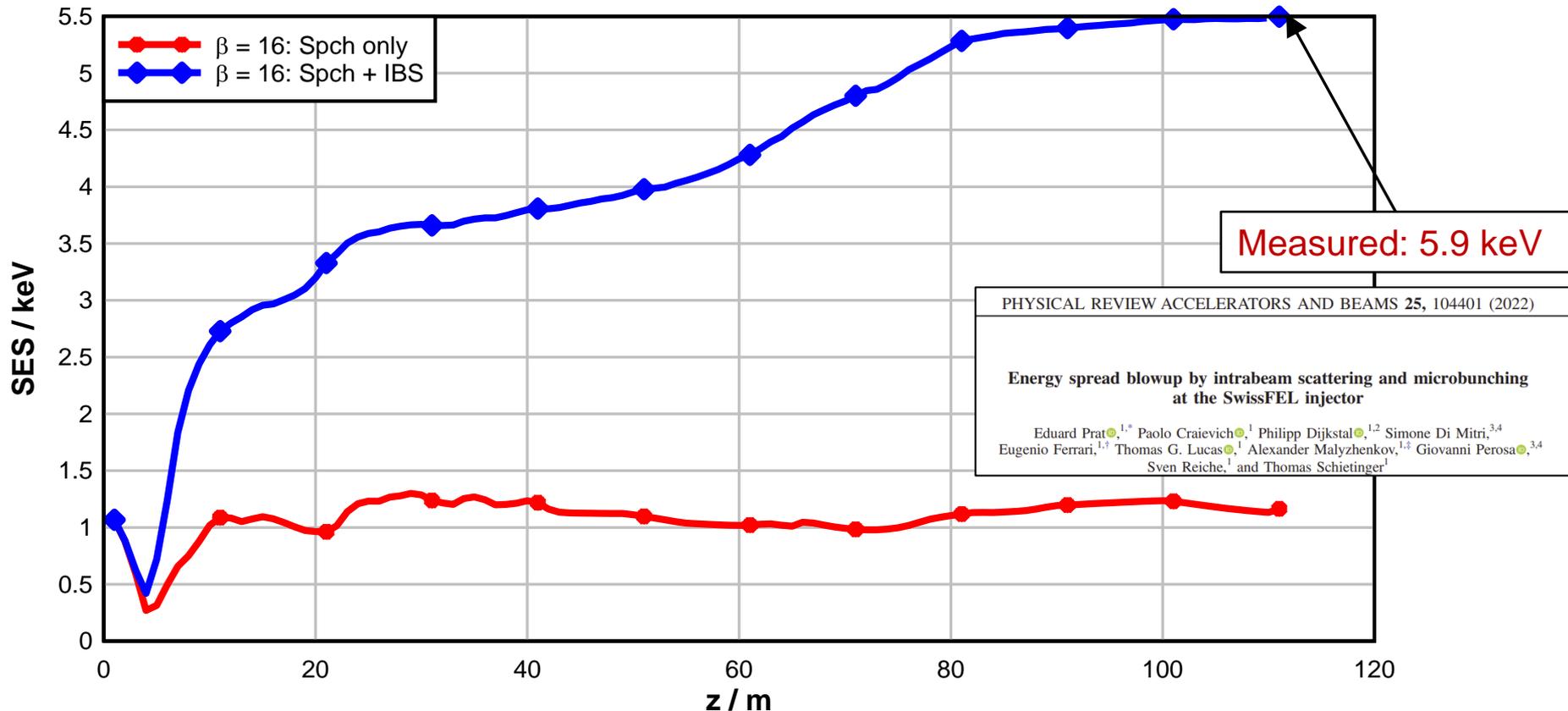
- The SwissFEL injector line



- Final energy: 320 MeV
- Bunch charge: 10...200 pC (nominal 200 pC)
- Average  $\beta$ -function:  $\sim 16$  m (nominal)
- Bunch compressor and laser heater switched off and  $R_{56} = 0$

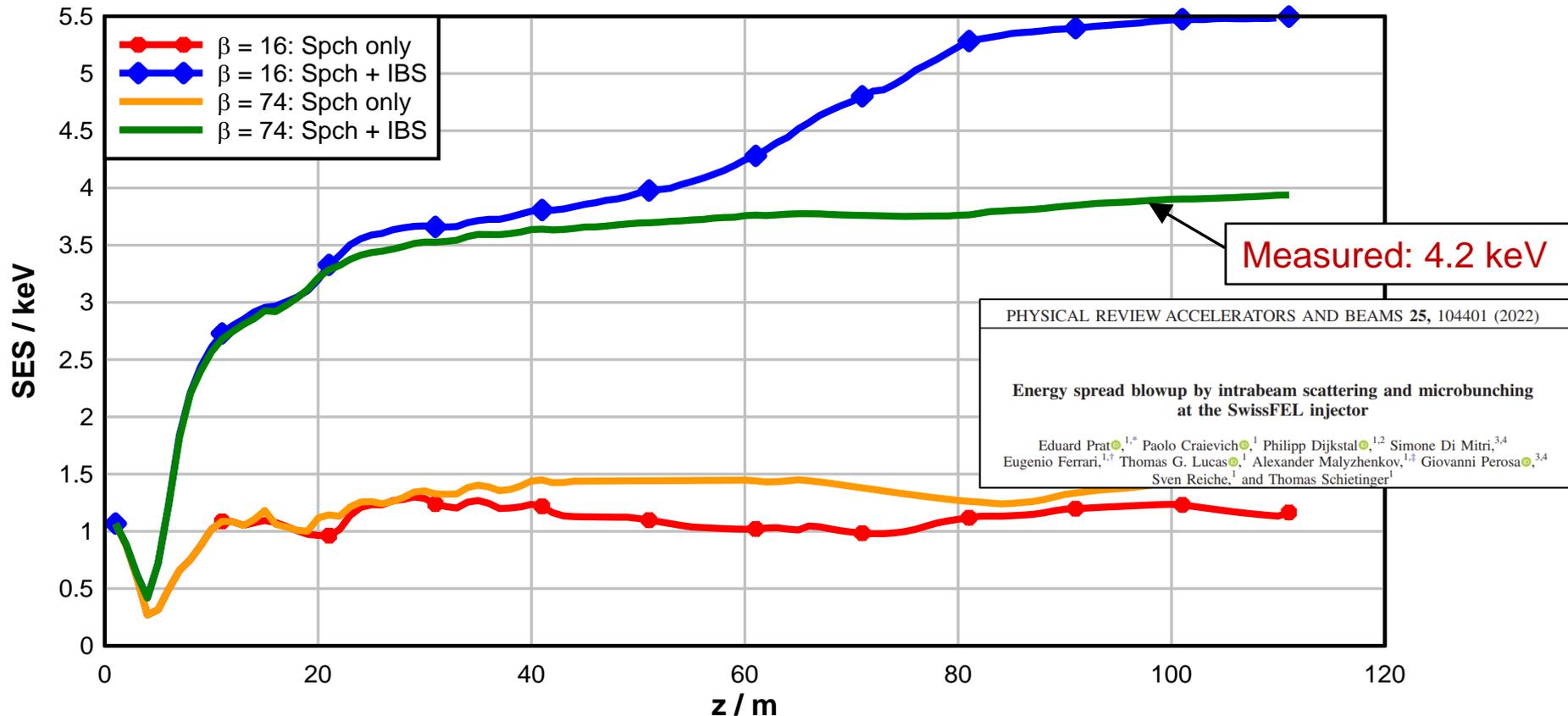
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- Slice energy spread (nominal configuration)



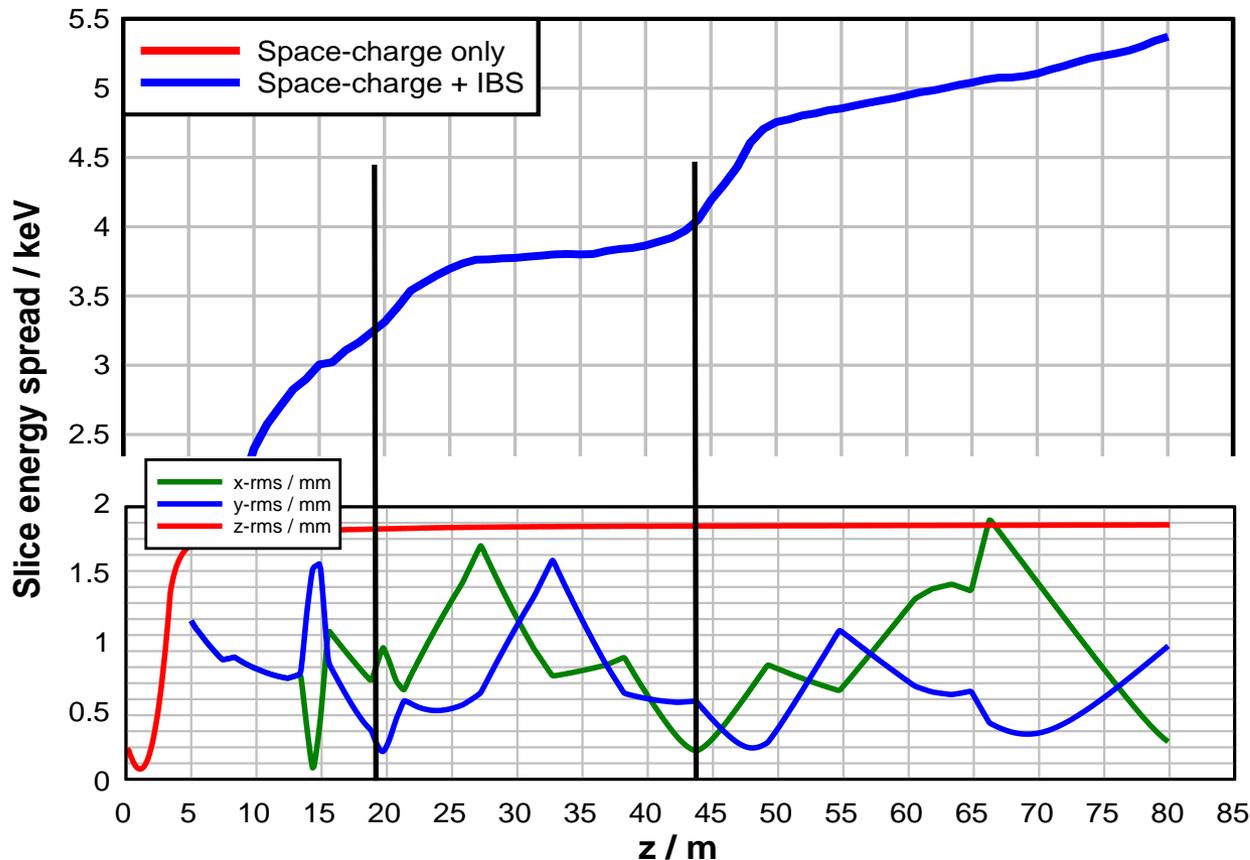
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- Slice energy spread (“large“ optics)



# Simulations for the SwissFEL

- Effect of lattice optics

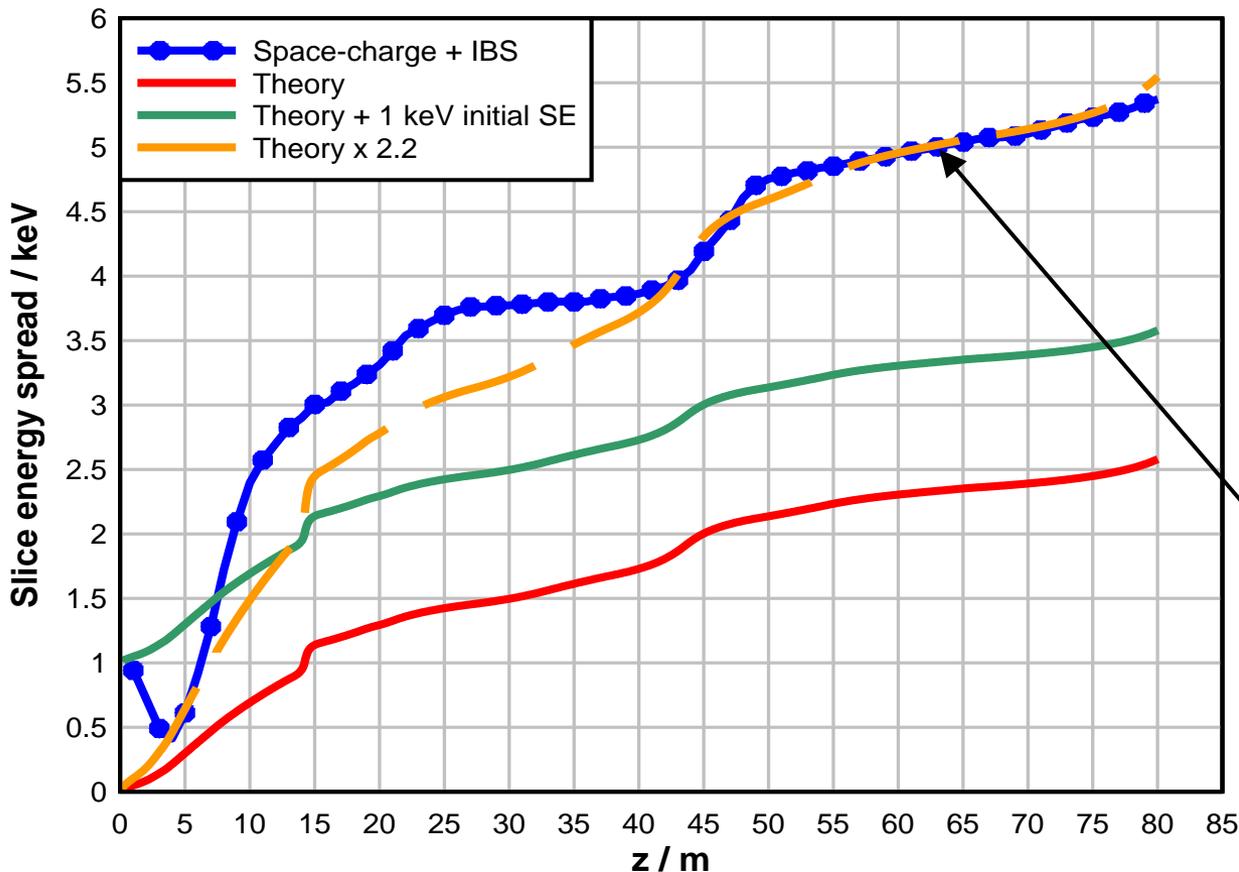


$$\sigma_y \frac{d\sigma_y}{dz} = \frac{r_e^2 N_b \Lambda_c}{8\epsilon_x^n \sigma_x \sigma_z}$$

(K. Bane, 2002)

# Simulations for the SwissFEL

## Comparison with analytical model



$$\sigma_y^2(z) = \sigma_{y0}^2 + \frac{r_e^2 N_b \Lambda_c}{4 \epsilon_x^n} \int_{z_0}^z \frac{r_e^2}{\sigma_x \sigma_z}$$

Initial SE (cathode) does not explain discrepancy

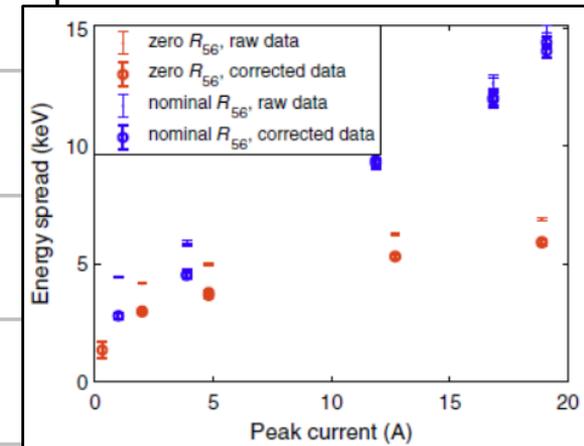
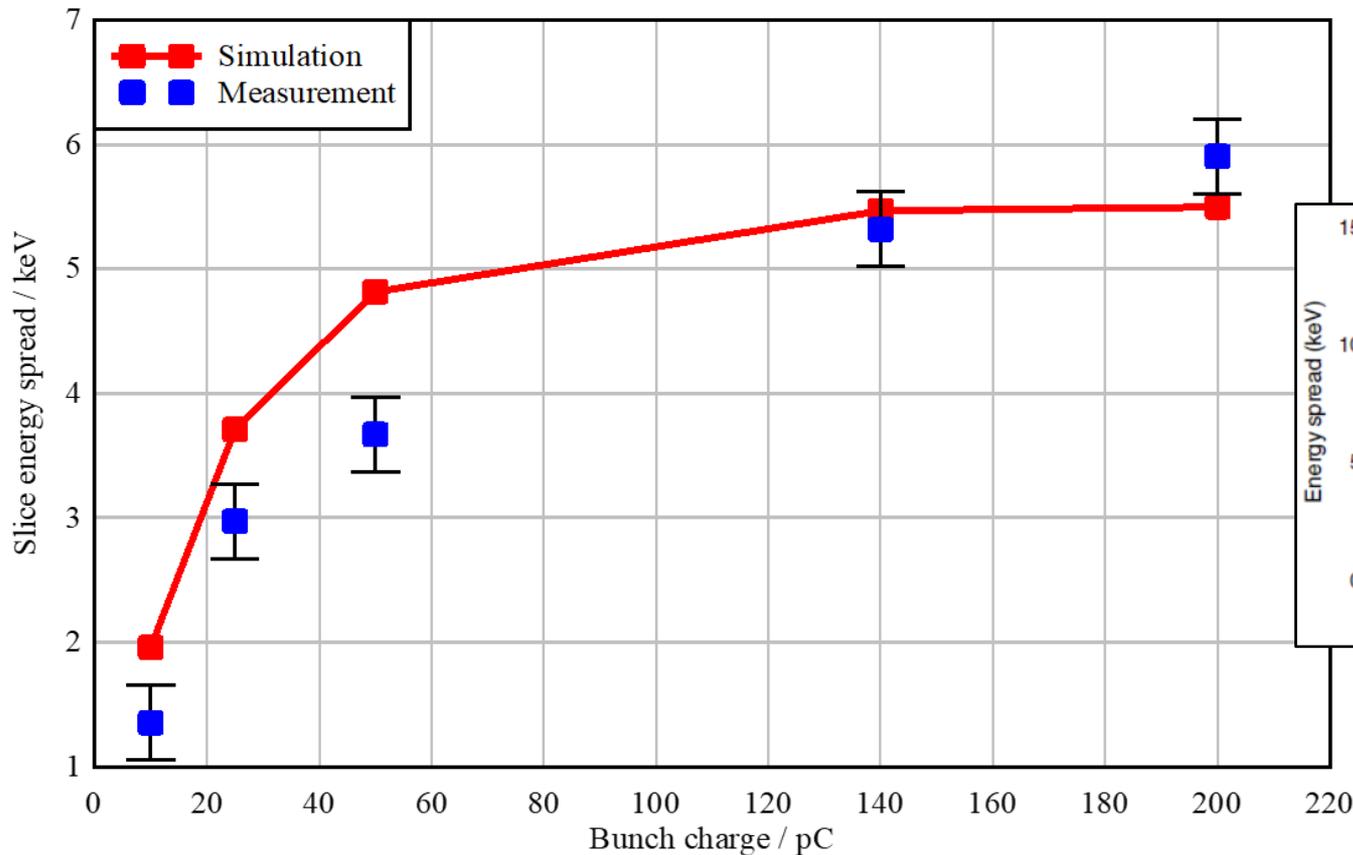
There is **a factor of roughly 2.2** between simulation and theory\*

Similar IBS growth rates in the high energy section

\*PRAB 25, 104401 (2022)

# Simulations for the SwissFEL

## Charge scan



\*With permission from  
Prat et al.

# Summary & Conclusions

- The IBS effect on uncorrelated energy spread remains a challenging topic
  - Several experiments at different labs predict important IBS effects in FELs
  - Available IBS theory not practicable for FEL-injectors
- Simulation approaches (and codes) exist
  - Most promising so far: classical Monte Carlo collision models
  - Other techniques exist...
- Self-consistent simulations with the Reptil code
  - Very good agreement for the SwissFEL injector
  - Ongoing work for the European XFEL
  - Open question: interaction between IBS and MBI in dispersive sections

Thank you very much  
for your attention