



# USPAS – *Simulation of Beam and Plasma Systems*

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Lecture: **Slice Energy Spread**

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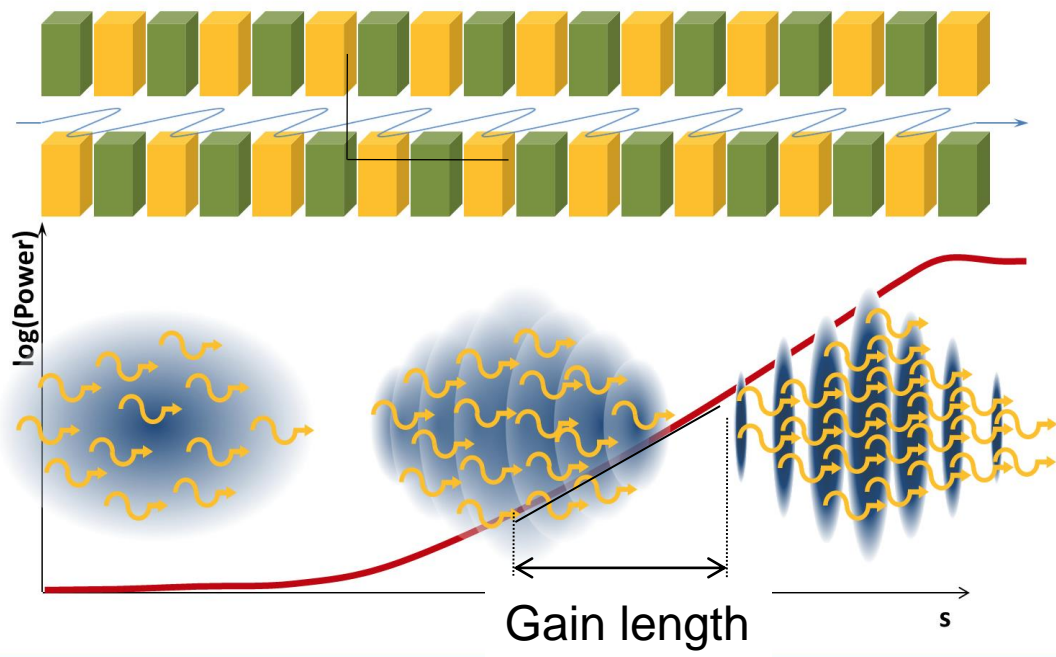
# Goals

- Understand slice energy spread
  - why is it important for free electron lasers (FEL)
  - what is the relevance to laser-plasma accelerators?
- Explore a real world example, using Elegant



# High-quality electron beams (high charge, short duration, low emittance) can drive Free Electron Laser

[https://www.helmholtz-berlin.de/projects/berlinpro/erl-intro/linac-fel\\_en.html](https://www.helmholtz-berlin.de/projects/berlinpro/erl-intro/linac-fel_en.html)



## Free Electron Laser:

Interaction undulator radiation & dense e-beam  $\rightarrow$  micro-bunching  $\rightarrow$  coherent undulator emission

- Small gain length favorable
- E-beam quality  $\rightarrow$  Pierce parameter  $\rho$
- Large  $\rho$  favorable ( $\rho$  typically of order  $10^{-3}$ - $10^{-2}$ )
- Energy spread washes out micro-bunching
- 1D gain length corrected with 3D effects  $\Lambda$  (energy spread, emittance, etc.)

Charge / duration

$$\text{Pierce parameter } \rho = \left( \frac{1}{16} \frac{Q/\tau}{I_A} \frac{K_0^2 [JJ]^2}{\gamma^3 \sigma_r^2 k_u^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

3D Gain length

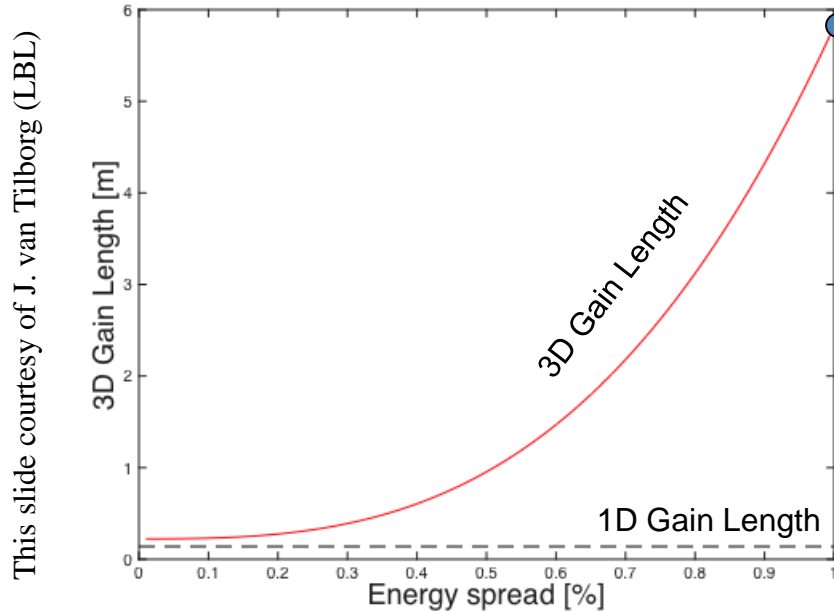
$$L_g = \frac{\lambda_u}{4\sqrt{3}\pi\rho} (1 + \Lambda) = L_{g0} (1 + \Lambda)$$

E-beam size (emittance)

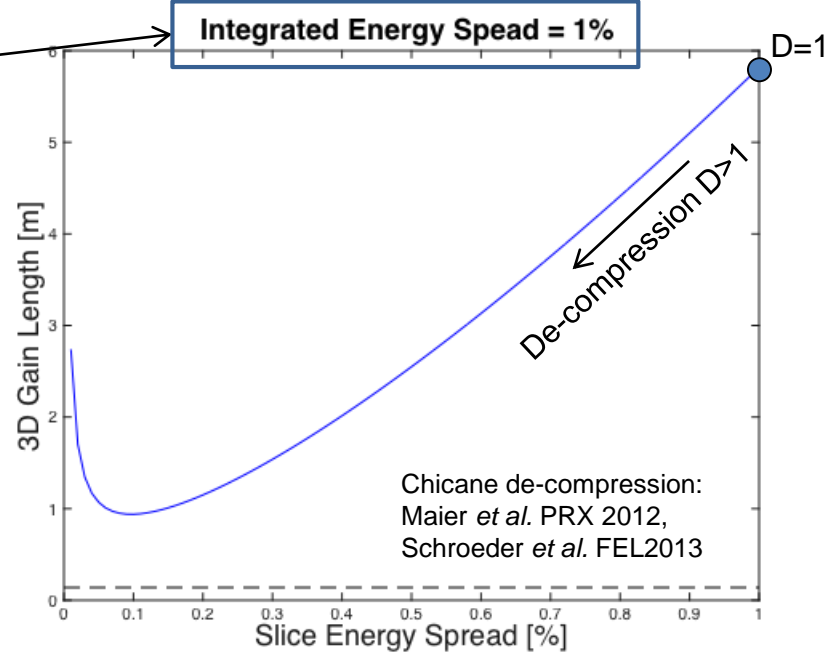
E-beam energy

# Each time slice can develop micro-bunching: Not integrated but slice energy spread critical to FEL: $\sigma_{y,slice} < \rho$

3D Gain Length as a function of energy spread in a correlation-free beam:



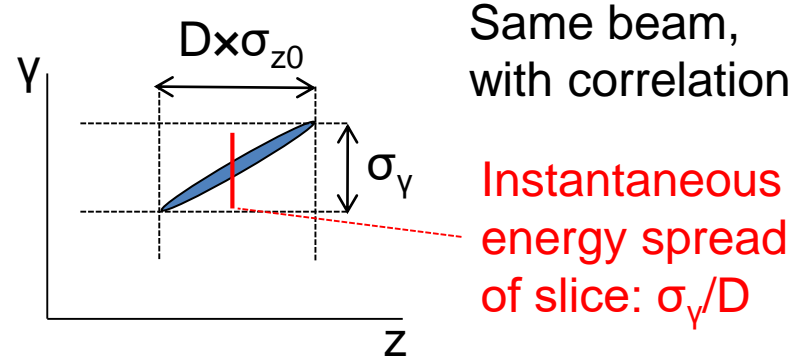
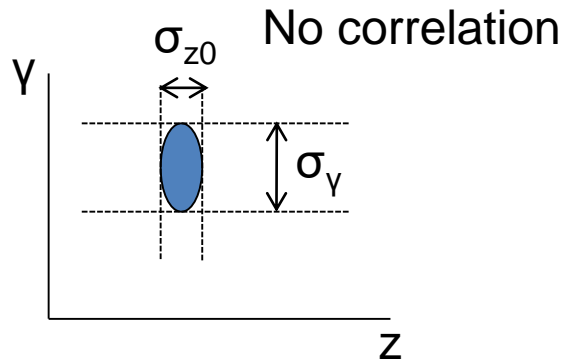
Adding correlation through chicane de-compression:



**Beam parameters:**

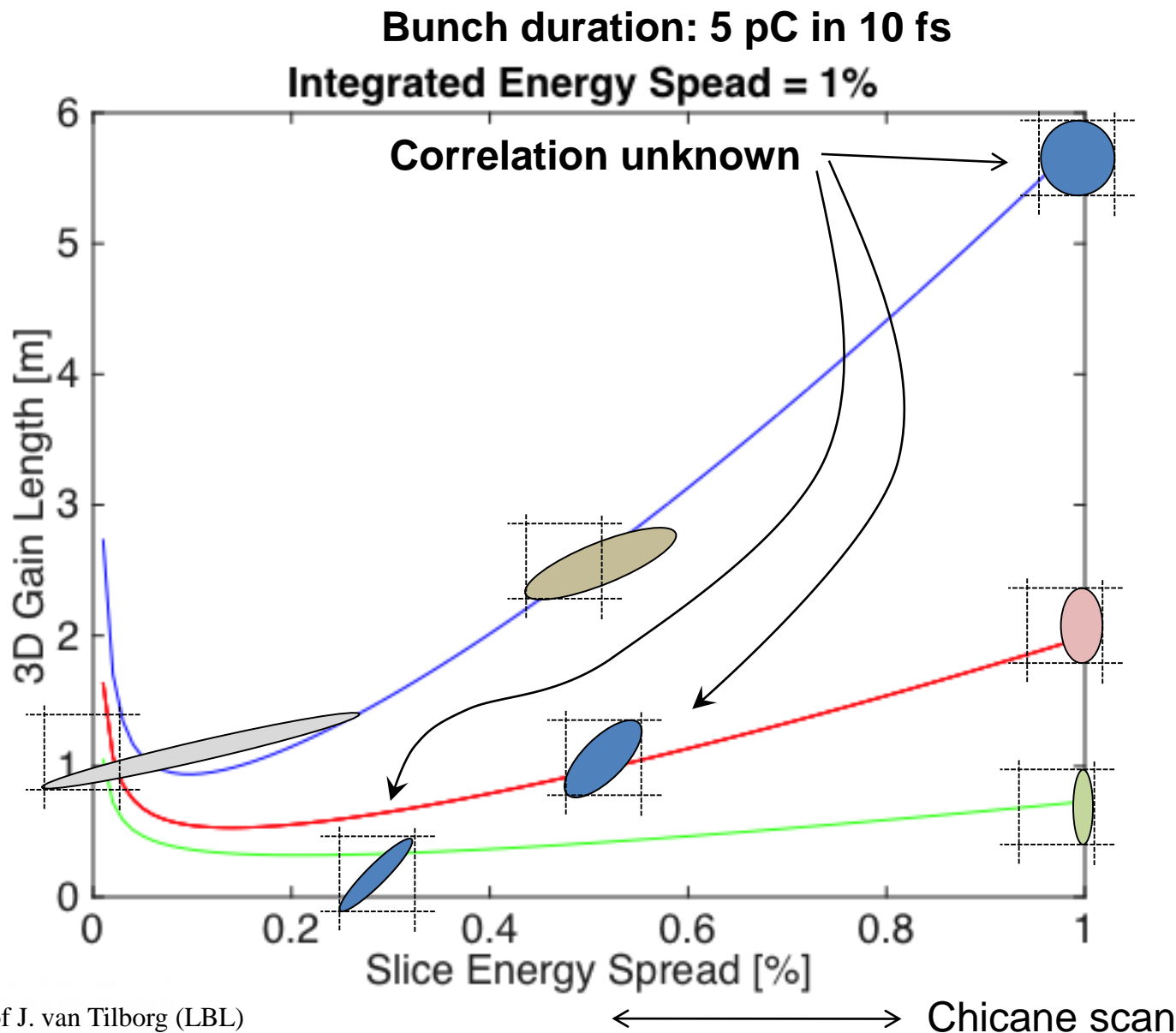
5 pC in 10 fs  
 250 MeV  
 Emittance  $0.5 \mu\text{m}$   
 Beam size  $25 \mu\text{m}$   
**Undulator:**  
 Period 2.18 cm  
 Strength  $K=1.26$

Pierce  $\rho=0.007$



- Slippage of chirped e-beam through photon pulse is detrimental
- Length of relevant slice is several radiation wavelengths long ( $\sim 5$  fs)

# Bunch length and energy spread known, but correlation not known (longitudinal phase phase not known)



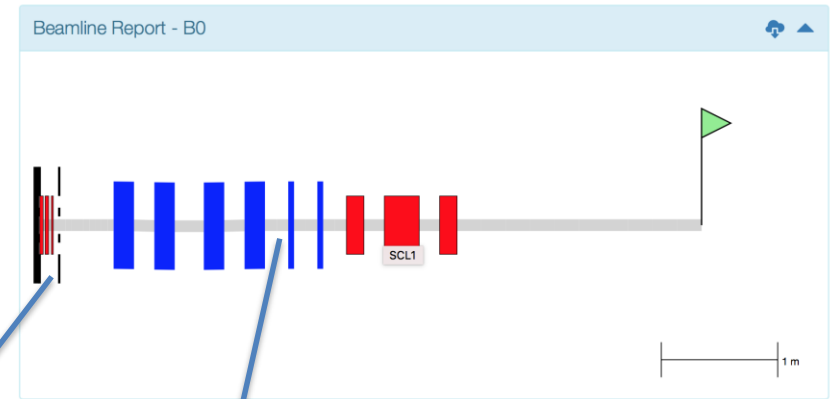
# How can one quickly stretch the longitudinal phase space?

- Use a chicane (a sequence of dipoles)
  - typically used to compress bunches
  - here, it is being used to longitudinally stretch the bunch
- Explore a real world example
  - from the ATF (Accelerator Test Facility) at Brookhaven National Lab

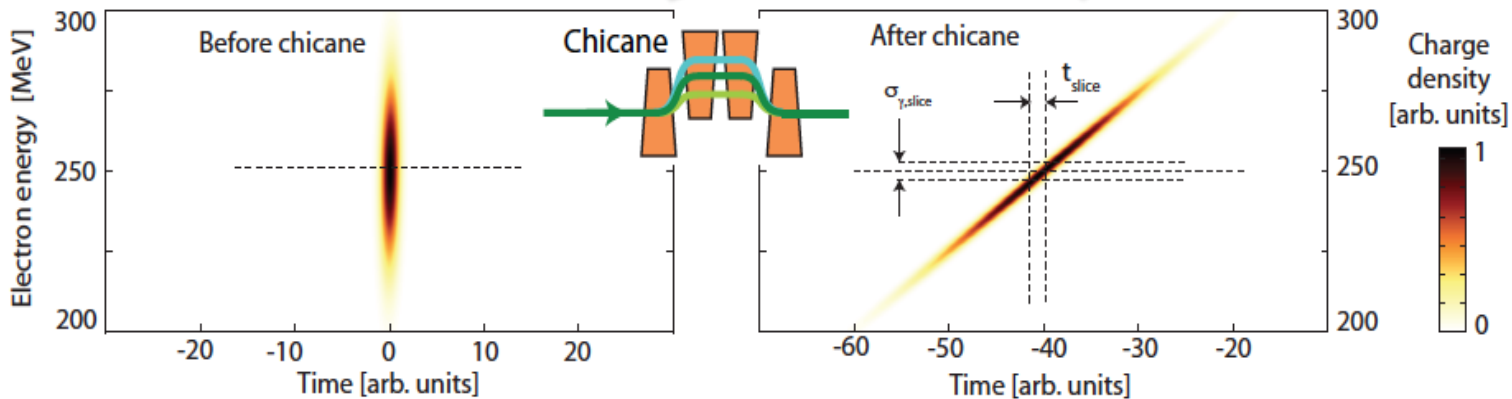


# User case: Chicane for LPA-FEL

- LPA source brightness is good for FEL, slice energy spread is not
- Use chicane to *stretch* beam, reduce slice energy spread
- Find balance between reduction in beam current and slice energy spread
- Optimal  $R_{56}$  depends on initial beam parameters



Modeled with sirepo.elegant



Courtesy S. Barber (LBNL)