



Experimental Simulations
of
Intense Beam Propagation Over Large Distances
in a
Compact Linear Paul Trap*

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PTSX Simulates Nonlinear Beam Dynamics in Magnetic Alternating-Gradient Systems

Purpose: Simulate the nonlinear transverse dynamics of intense beam propagation over large distances through magnetic alternating-gradient transport systems in *a compact experiment*.

Applications: Accelerator systems for high energy and nuclear physics applications, high energy density physics, heavy ion fusion, spallation neutron sources, and nuclear waste transmutation.

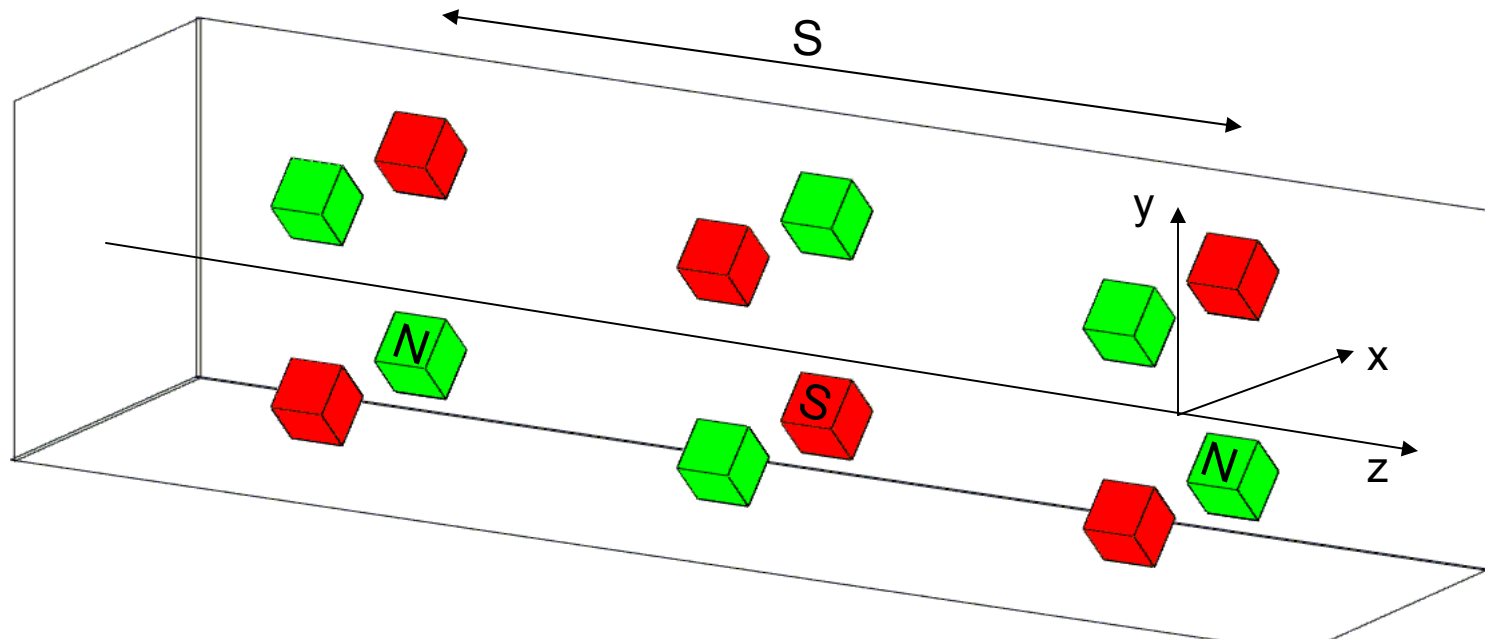


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Scientific Motivation

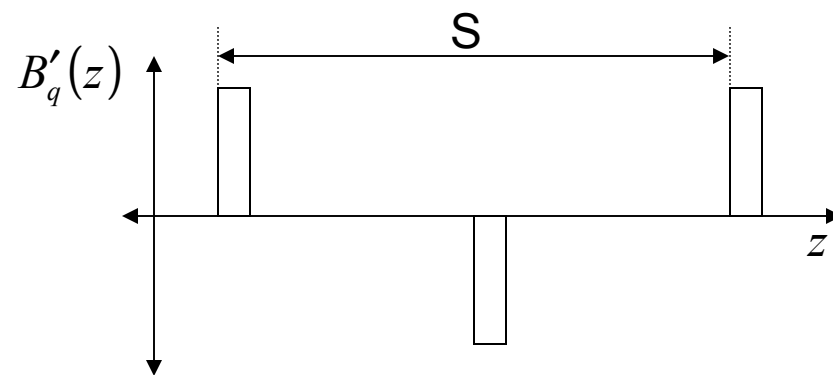
- Beam mismatch and envelope instabilities
- Collective wave excitations
- Chaotic particle dynamics and production of halo particles
- Mechanisms for emittance growth
- Effects of distribution function on stability properties
- Compression techniques

Magnetic Alternating-Gradient Transport Systems

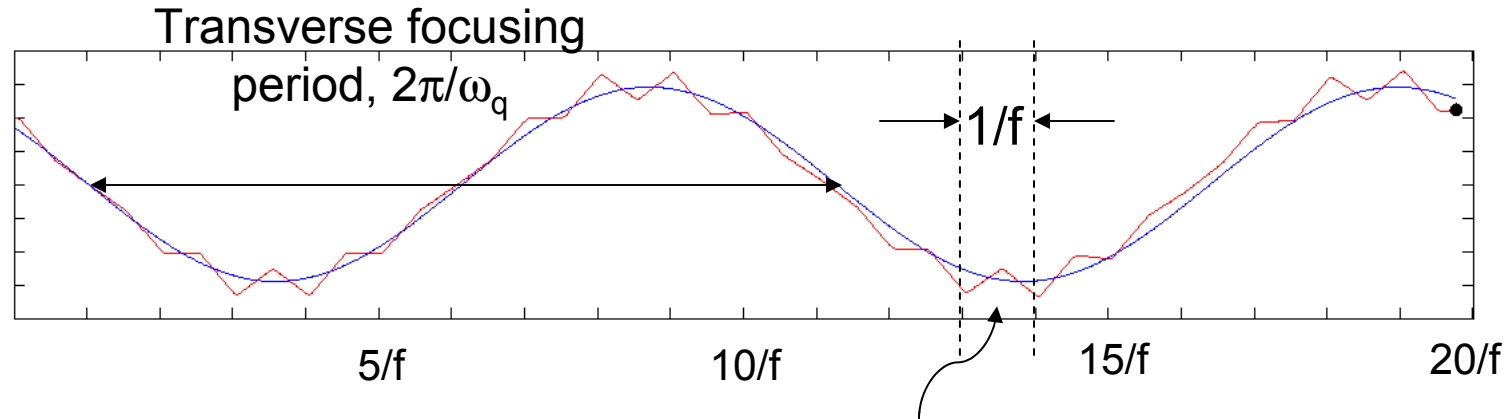


$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{B}_q^{foc}(\mathbf{x}) &= B'_q(z) (y\hat{e}_x + x\hat{e}_y) \\
 \mathbf{F}_{foc}(\mathbf{x}) &= -\kappa_q(z) (x\hat{e}_x - y\hat{e}_y)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\kappa_q(z) \equiv \frac{ZeB'_q(z)}{\gamma m \beta c^2}$$



Transverse Focusing Frequency, Vacuum Phase Advance, and Normalized Intensity Parameter Characterize the System



The smooth trajectory's vacuum phase advance, σ_v , is 35 degrees in this example.

To avoid instabilities,

$$\sigma_v = \frac{\omega_q}{f} < \sigma_{v\max}$$

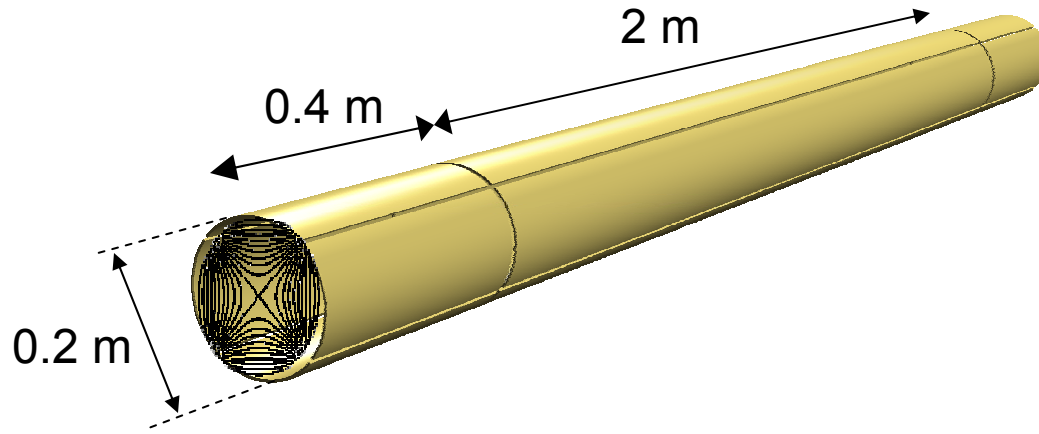
Normalized intensity parameter

$$s \equiv \frac{\omega_p^2}{2\omega_q^2} < 1$$

to confine the space-charge.

$s \sim 0.2$ for Spallation Neutron Source.

PTSX Configuration – A Cylindrical Paul Trap



$$e\phi_{ap}(x, y, t) = \frac{1}{2} \kappa'_q(t)(x^2 - y^2)$$

$$\kappa'_q(t) = \frac{8eV_0(t)}{m\pi r_w^2}$$

$$\omega_q = \frac{8eV_{0\max}}{m\pi r_w^2 f} \xi$$

Plasma column length	2 m	Maximum wall voltage	~ 400 V
Wall electrode radius	10 cm	End electrode voltage	< 150 V
Plasma column radius	~ 1 cm	Voltage oscillation frequency	< 100 kHz
Cesium ion mass	133 amu		

Transverse Dynamics are the Same Including Self-Field Effects

If...

- Long coasting beams
- Beam radius \ll lattice period
- Motion in beam frame is nonrelativistic

Then, when in the beam frame, both systems have...

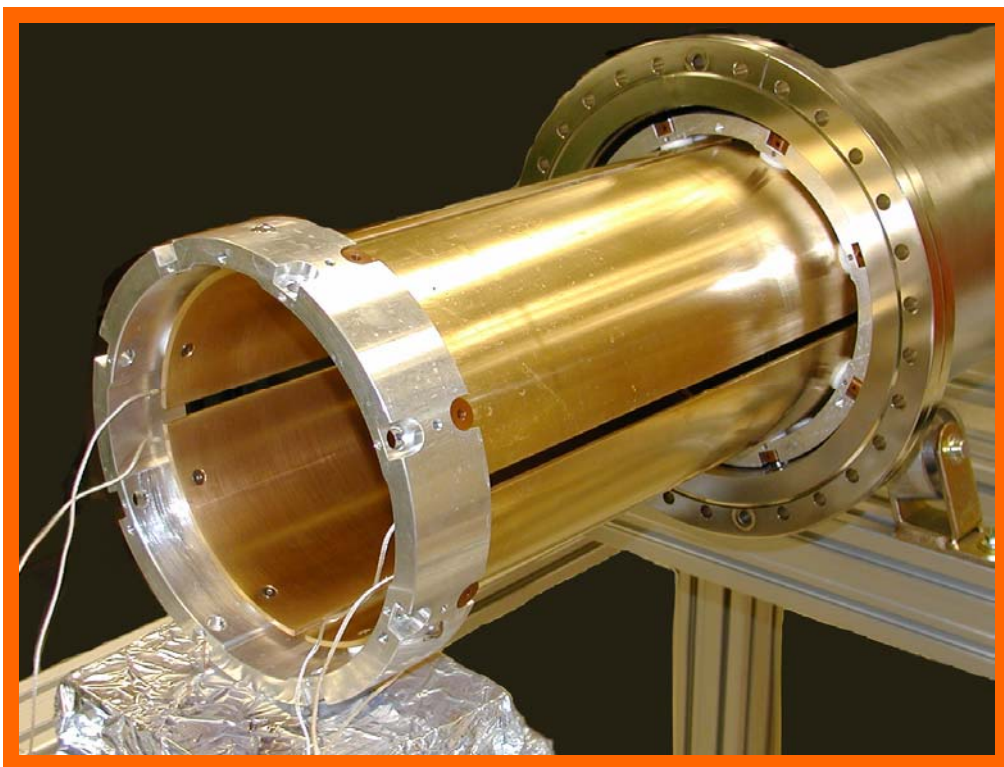
- Quadrupolar external forces
- Self-forces governed by a Poisson equation
- Distributions evolve according to Vlasov equation



Ions in PTSX have the same transverse equations of motion as ions in an alternating-gradient system *in the beam frame*.

Electrodes, Ion Source, and Collector

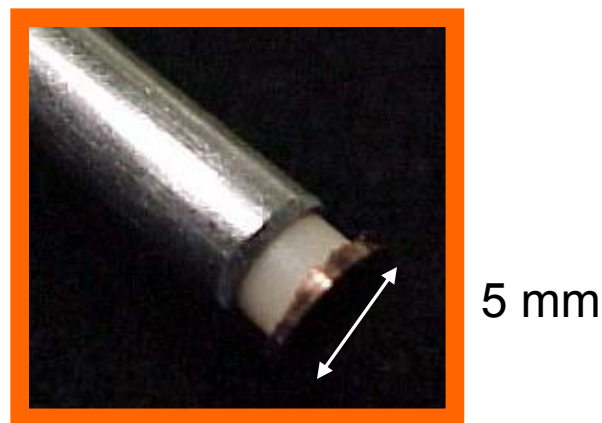
Broad flexibility in applying $V(t)$ to electrodes with arbitrary function generator.



Increasing source current creates plasmas with s up to 0.8.



Large dynamic range using sensitive electrometer.



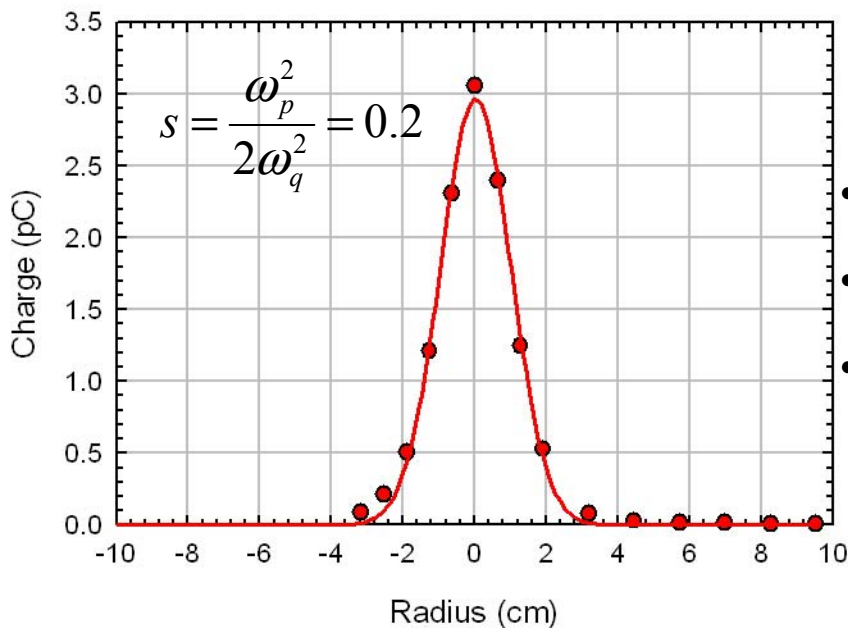
Radial Profiles of Trapped Plasmas are Approximately Gaussian – Consistent with Thermal Equilibrium



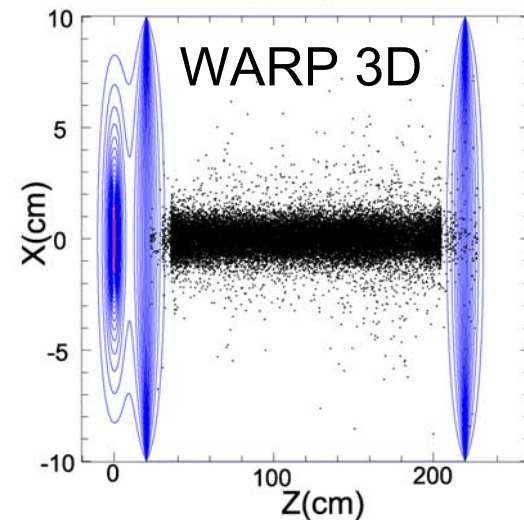
$$n(r) = n(0) \exp \left[- \frac{m\omega_q^2 r^2 + 2q\phi^s(r)}{2kT} \right]$$

- $V_{0 \text{ max}} = 235 \text{ V}$
- $t_{\text{hold}} = 1 \text{ ms}$
- $f = 75 \text{ kHz}$
- $\sigma_v = 49^\circ$
- $\omega_q = 6.5 \times 10^4 \text{ s}^{-1}$

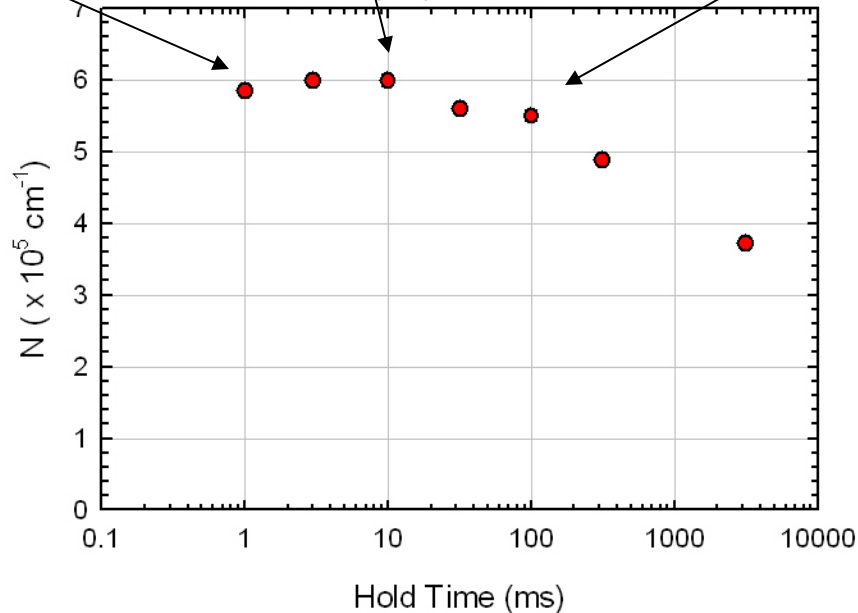
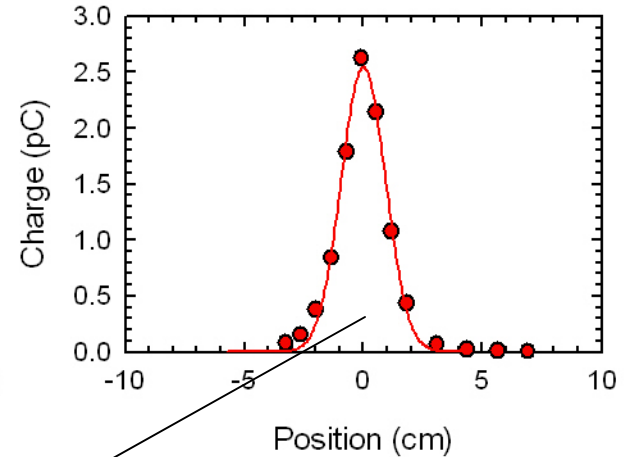
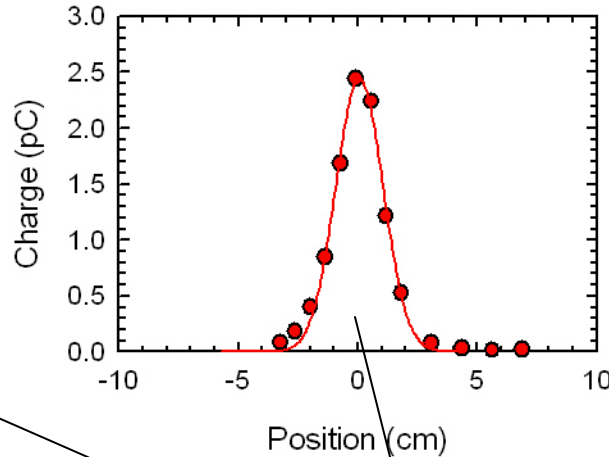
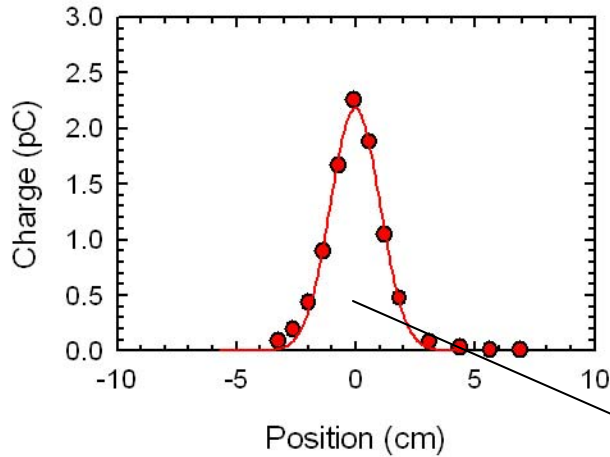
$$n(r) = \frac{Q(r)}{e\pi r_{\text{aperture}}^2 l_{\text{plasma}}}$$



- $n(0) = 1.4 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- $R = 1.4 \text{ cm}$
- $s = 0.2$



PTSX Simulates Equivalent Propagation Distances of 7.5 km



- At $f = 75$ kHz, a lifetime of 100 ms corresponds to **7,500 lattice periods**.
- If lattice period is 1 m, the PTSX simulation experiment would correspond to a **7.5 km beamline**.

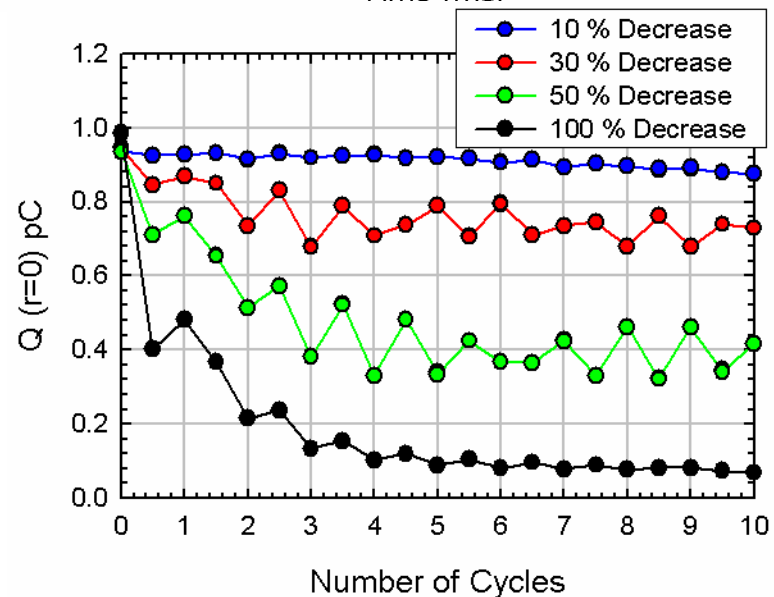
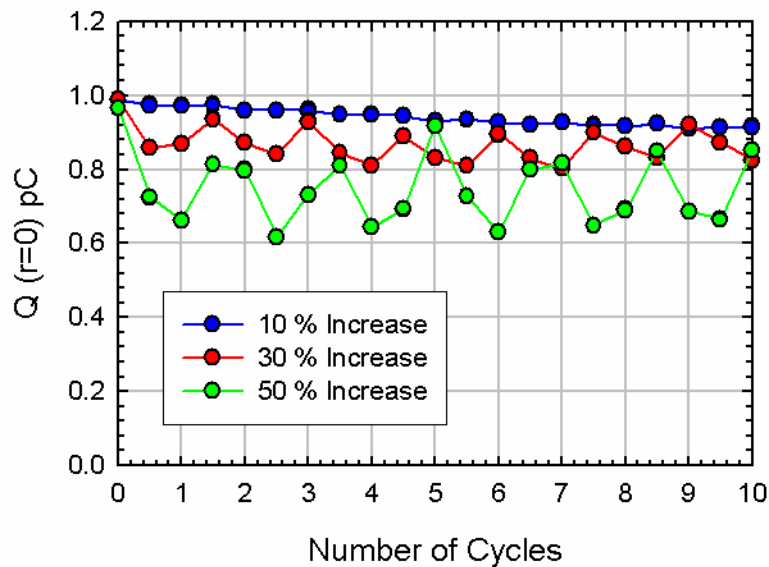
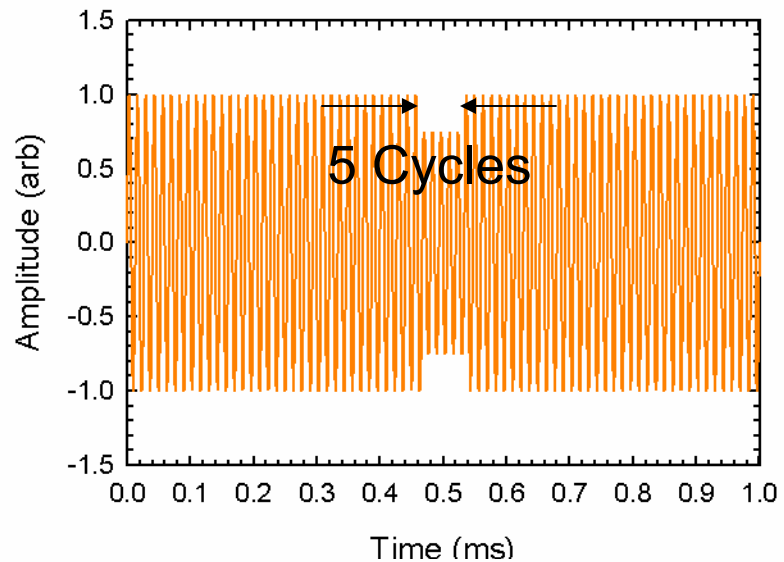
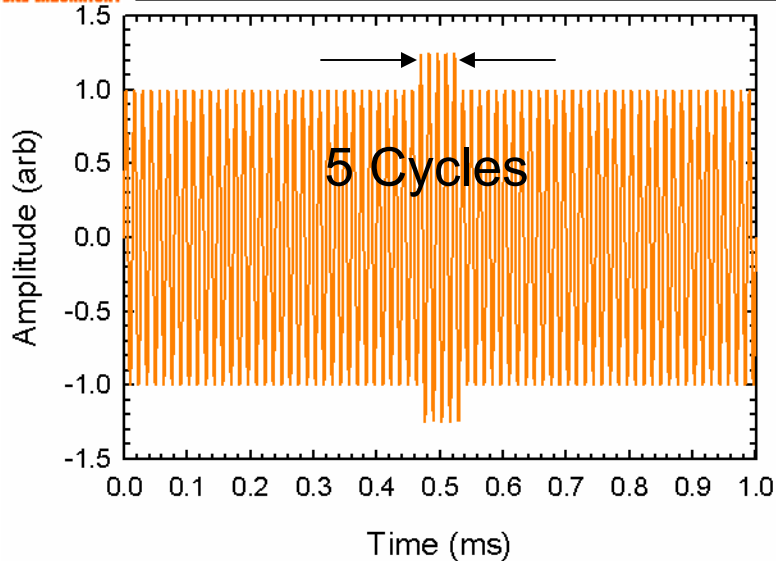
$$s = \omega_p^2 / 2\omega_q^2 = 0.18.$$

$$V_{0 \max} = 235 \text{ V}$$

$$f = 75 \text{ kHz}$$

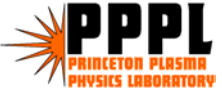
$$\sigma_v = 49^\circ$$

Temporarily Changing the Amplitude Causes the Plasma Envelope to Oscillate

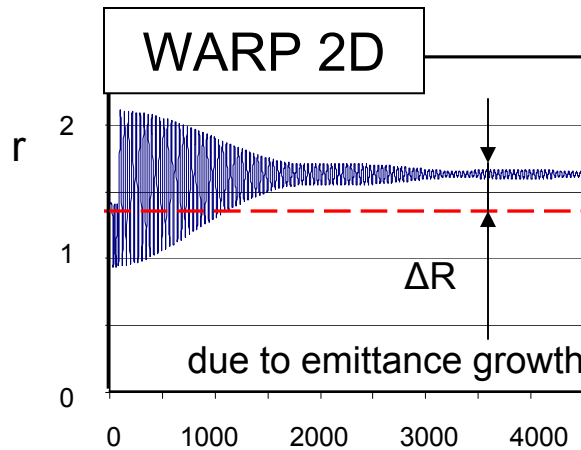
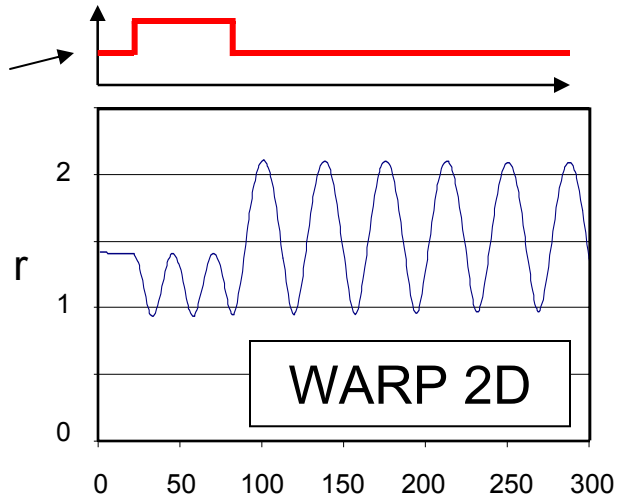


The Mismatch When the Amplitude is Restored

Depends on the Frequency of the Envelope Oscillation

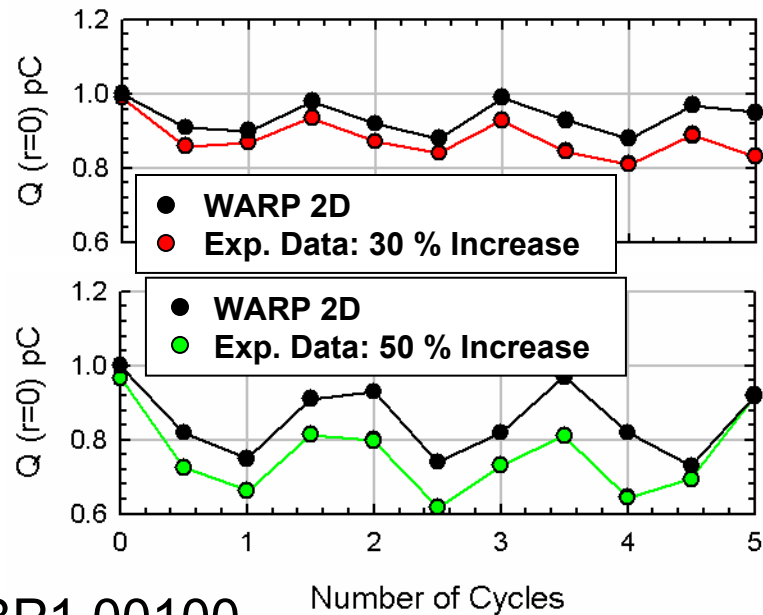
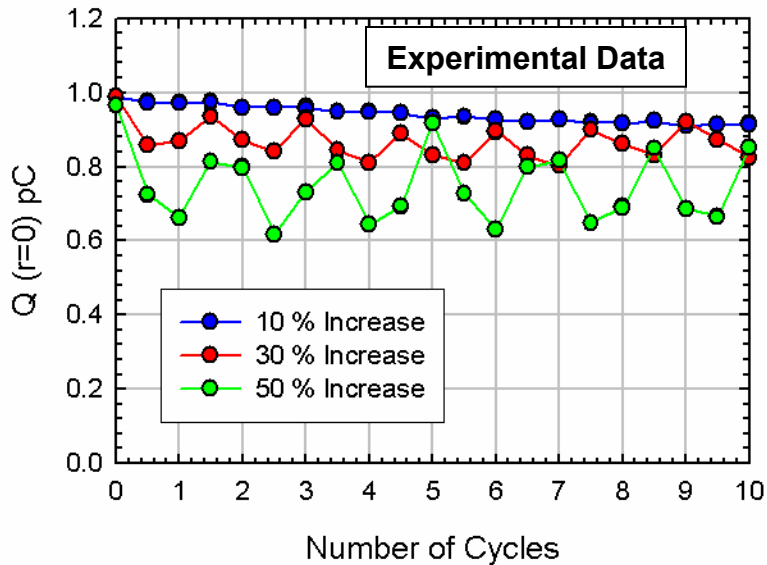


Voltage
Waveform
Amplitude

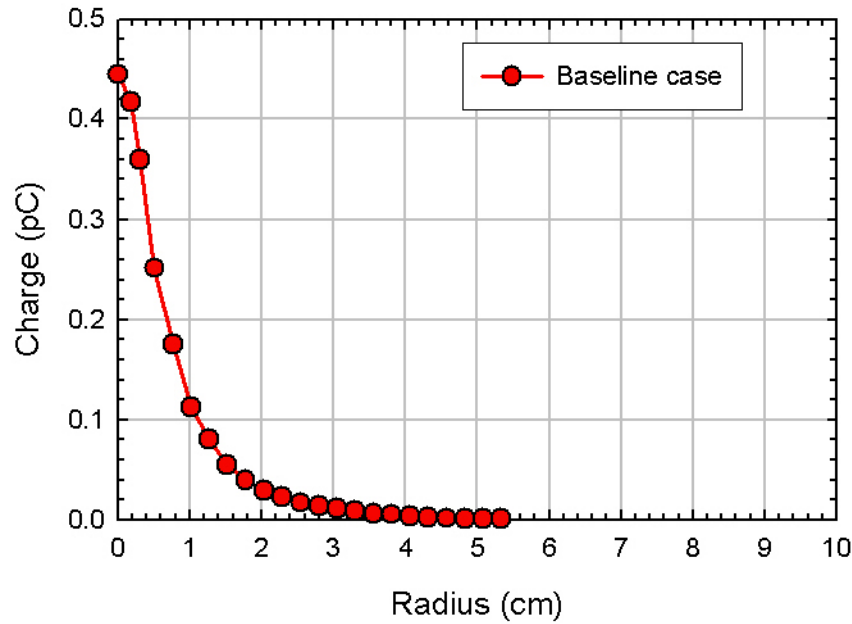


Force Balance

$$m\omega_q^2 R^2 = 2kT + \frac{Nq^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$



Comparison of Instantaneous Changes in Waveform Amplitude and Frequency



Baseline case:

$$V_1 = 150 \text{ V}$$

$$\omega_q = 52,200 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$s = 0.2$$

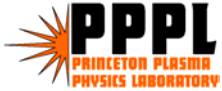
$$t = 1 \text{ ms}$$

$$f = 60 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\sigma_v = 49^\circ$$

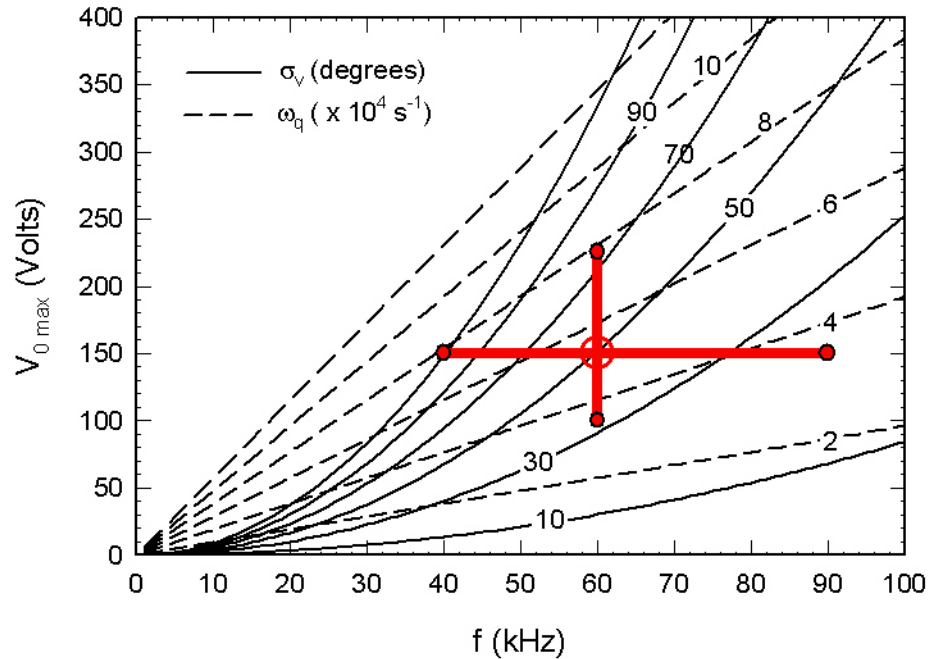
$$kT \sim 0.7 \text{ eV}$$

Comparison of Instantaneous Changes in Waveform Amplitude and Frequency



$$\omega_q = \frac{8eV_{0\max}}{m\pi r_w^2 f} \xi$$

$$\sigma_v = \frac{\omega_q}{f}$$



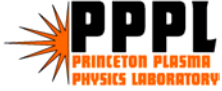
Constant voltage

$$\omega_q \rightarrow \omega_q/1.5, \omega_q \rightarrow 1.5 \omega_q$$

Constant frequency

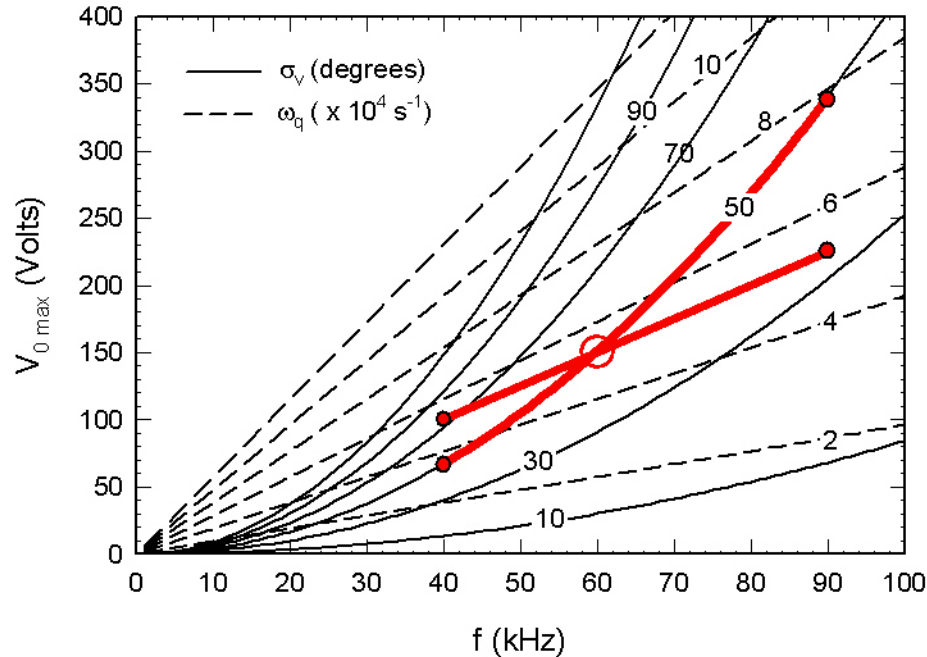
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Constant transverse focusing frequency

Constant vacuum phase advance

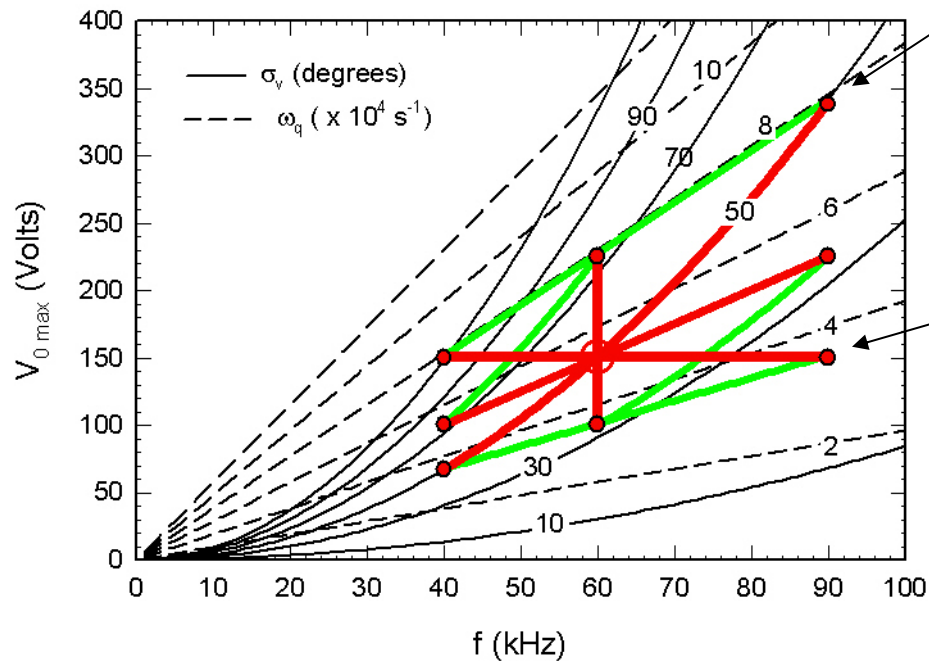
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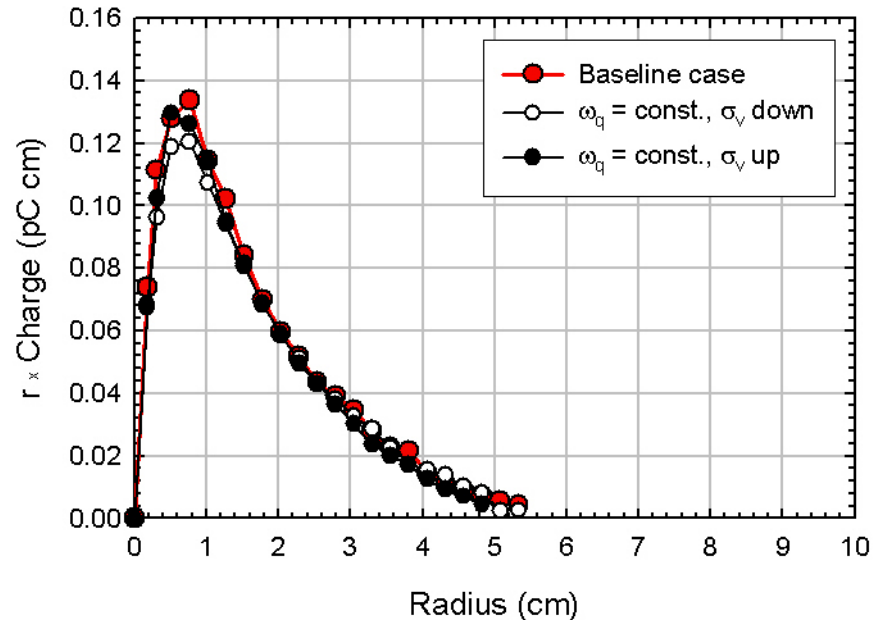
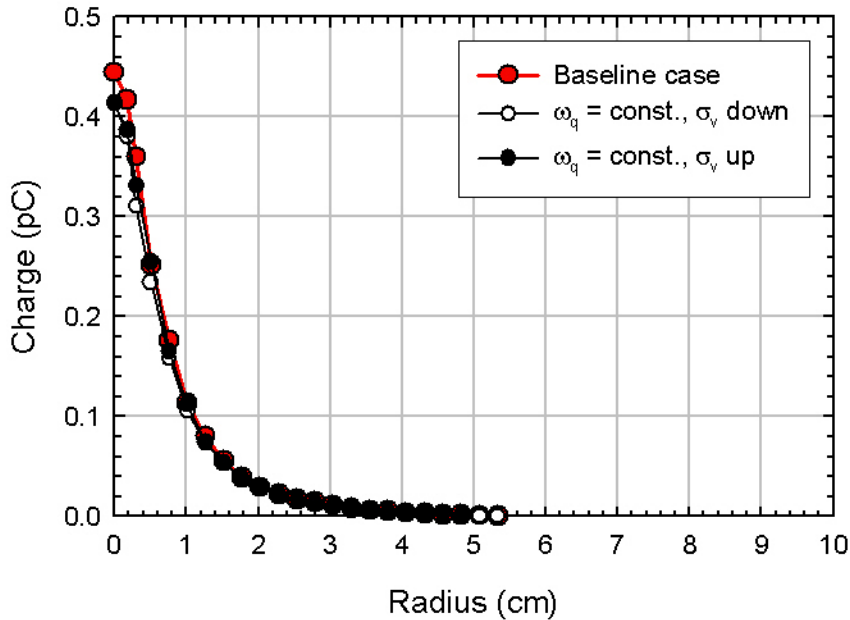
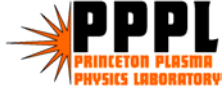
$$\omega_q = \frac{8eV_{0\max}}{m\pi r_w^2 f} \xi$$

$$\sigma_v = \frac{\omega_q}{f}$$



$N \sim$ constant in following data.

Changing the Voltage and Frequency Does Not Affect the Transverse Profile When the Transverse Focusing Frequency is Fixed

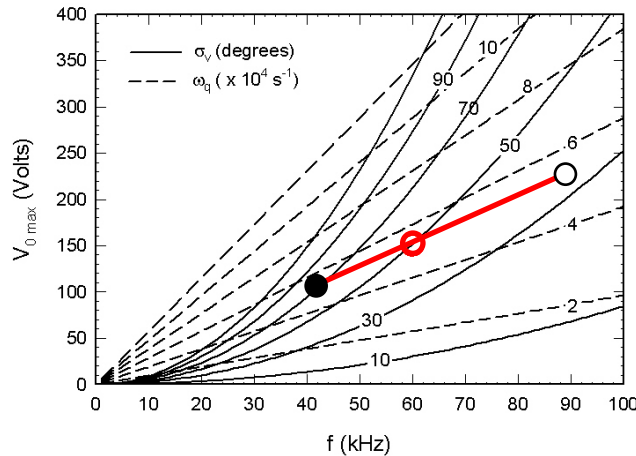


$$s = 0.2$$

$$kT \sim 0.7 \text{ eV}$$

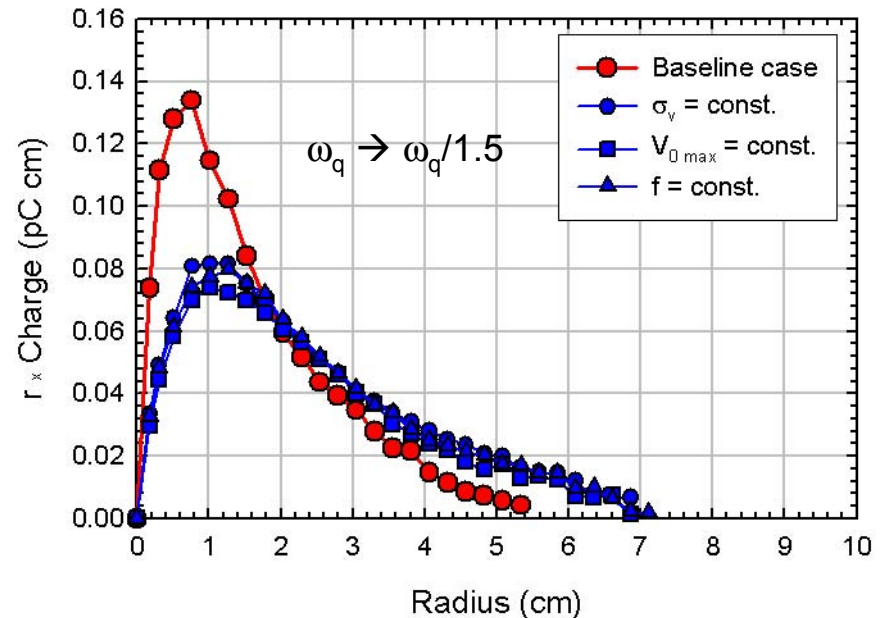
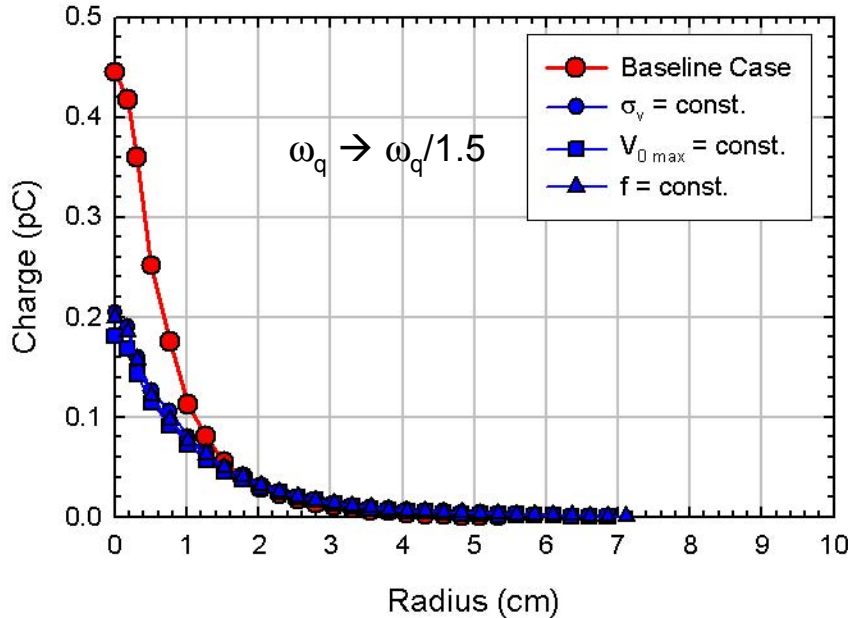
$$N \sim \text{constant}$$

$$m\omega_q^2 R^2 = 2kT + \frac{Nq^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$



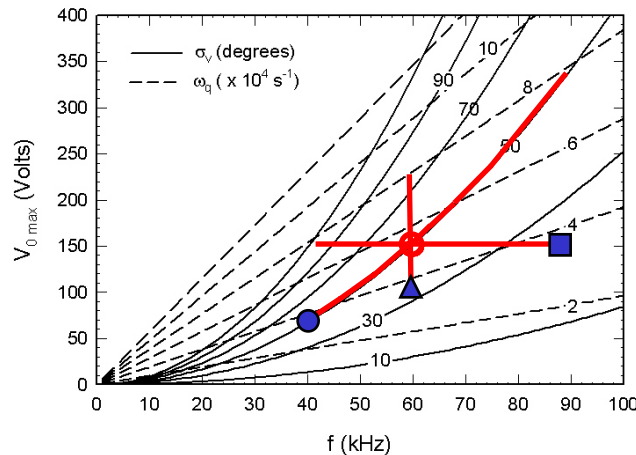
- $\sigma_v = 33^\circ$
- $\sigma_v = 50^\circ$
- $\sigma_v = 75^\circ$

Decreasing Transverse Focusing Frequency Preserves Normalized Intensity but Increases Emittance



- } $s = 0.2$
- ▲ } $kT \sim 0.7 \text{ eV}$
- } $N \sim \text{constant}$

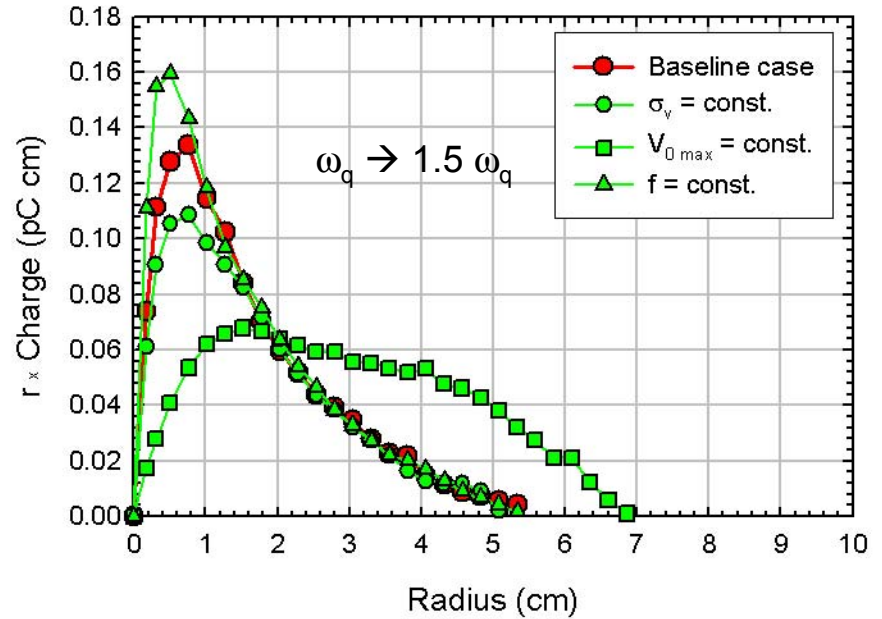
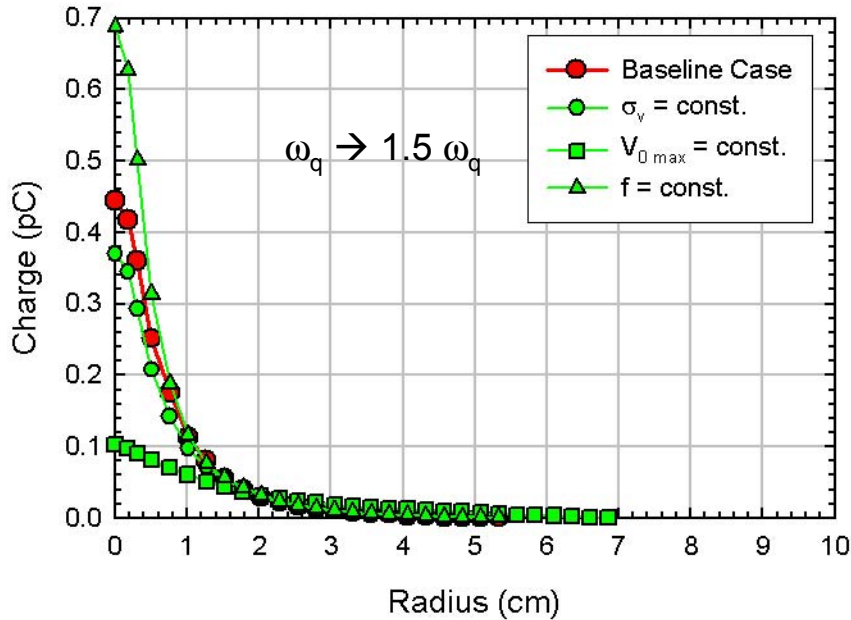
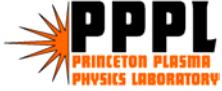
$$m\omega_q^2 R^2 = 2kT + \frac{Nq^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$



- $\sigma_v = 22^\circ$
- ▲ $\sigma_v = 33^\circ$
- $\sigma_v = 50^\circ$

Emittance increases by 45%

Increasing Phase Advance Degrades Transverse Confinement



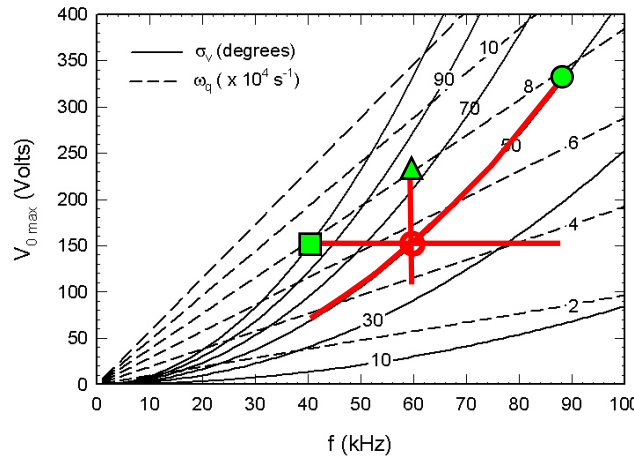
$N \sim \text{constant}$

● $s = 0.08, kT = 1.6 \text{ eV}$

▲ $s = 0.14, kT = 1.4 \text{ eV}$

■ $s = 0.02, kT = 4.7 \text{ eV}$

$$m\omega_q^2 R^2 = 2kT + \frac{Nq^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$



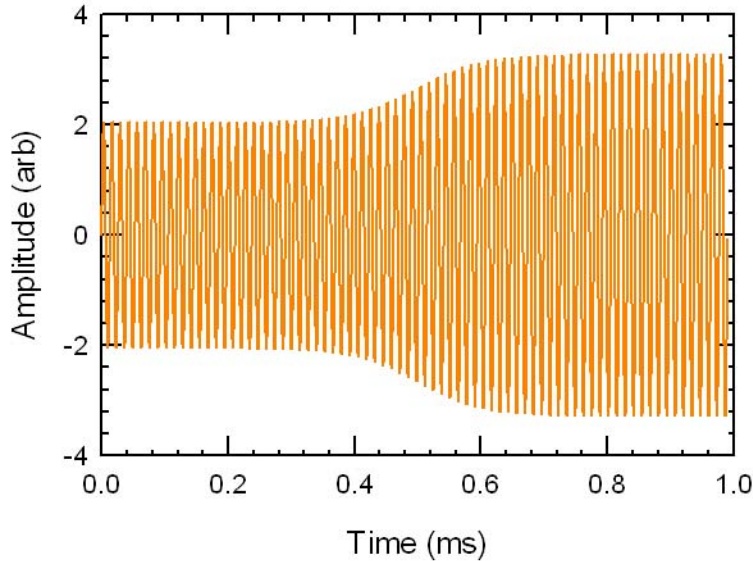
● $\sigma_v = 50^\circ$ 60%

▲ $\sigma_v = 75^\circ$ 40%

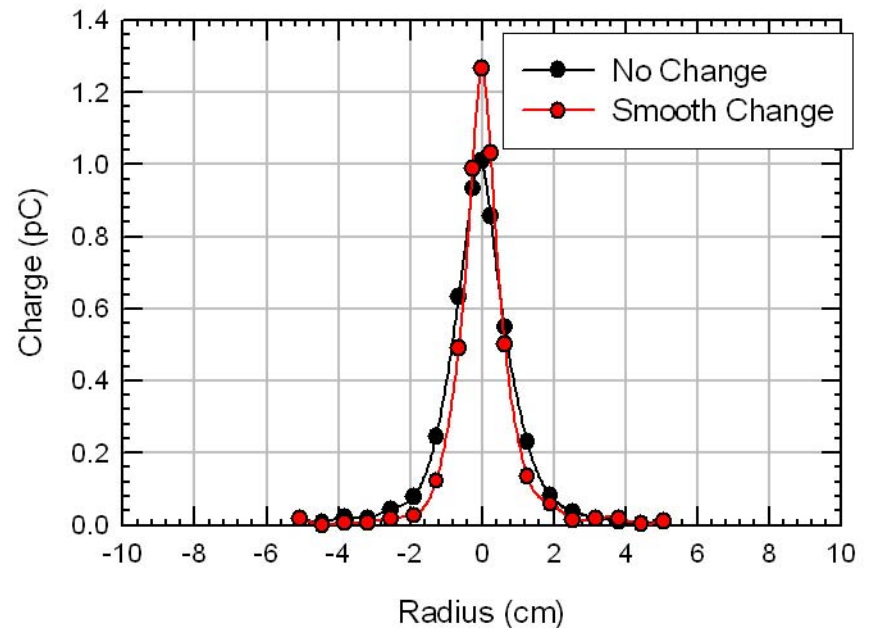
■ $\sigma_v = 112^\circ$ 450%

Emittance increases

A Smooth Change in Lattice Strength Compresses the Plasma: a First Look

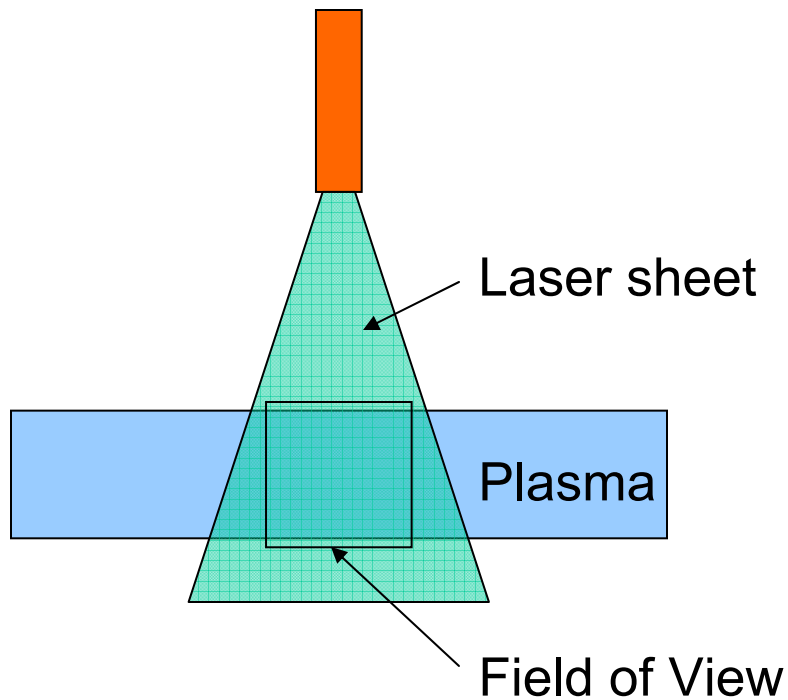


A hyperbolic tangent transition from one amplitude to another at fixed frequency.



LIF System is Being Installed

- Nondestructive
- Image entire transverse profile at once
- Time resolution
- Velocity measurement



Barium ion source will replace Cesium ion source.



CCD camera for imaging plasma

PTSX Simulates the Transverse Dynamics of Intense Beam Propagation Over Large Distances Through Magnetic Alternating-Gradient Transport Systems



- PTSX is a compact and flexible laboratory experiment.
- PTSX can trap plasmas with normalized intensity s up to 0.8.
- Confinement times can correspond to up to 7,500 lattice periods.
- Instantaneous lattice changes are detrimental to transverse confinement, leading to mismatch, envelope oscillations, and subsequent emittance growth (unless transverse focusing frequency is fixed.) Large vacuum phase advance σ_v degrades transverse confinement.
- Study of smooth lattice changes is planned.