



# IFEL driver for IGS

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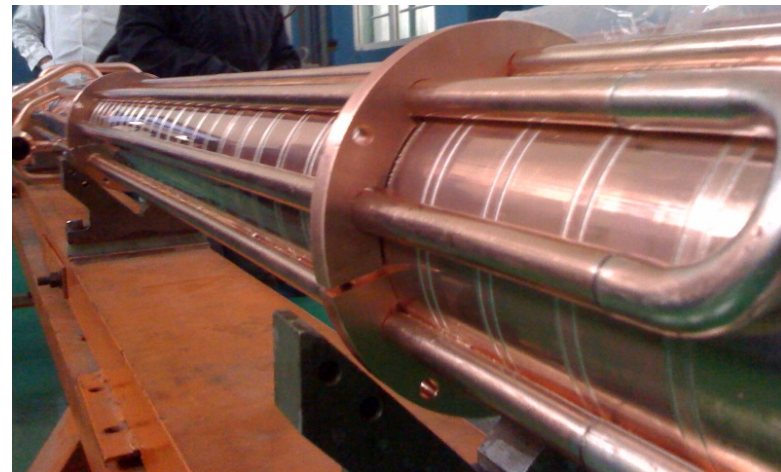
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- **Motivation for IFEL IGS driver**
  - RUBICON experiment

# State-of-the art linac for 700 MeV IGS

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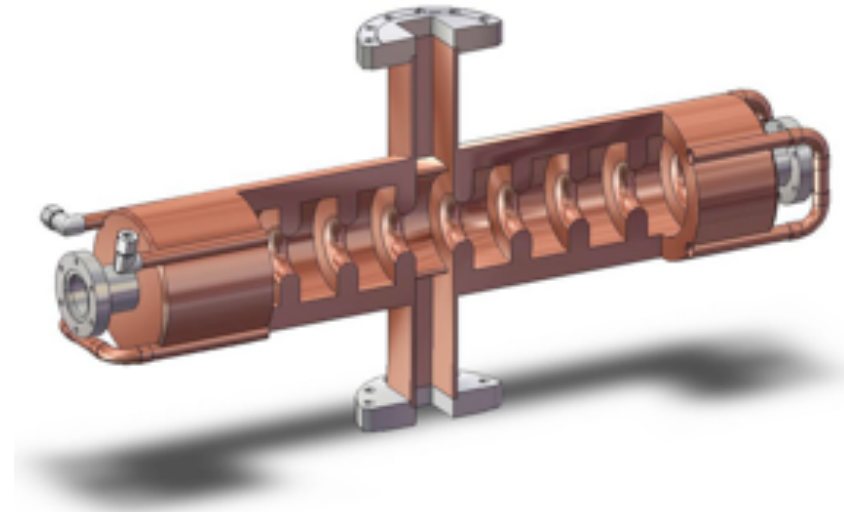
- Proven technology
- Not practical for mobile platform applications
- Not cheap



# Novel linac designs

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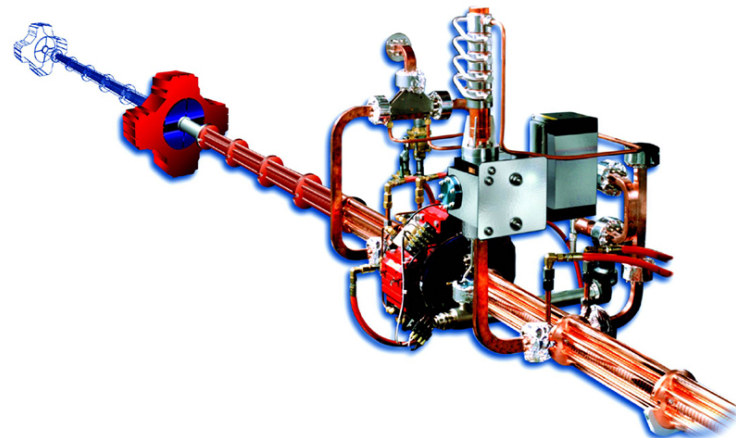
- Higher gradient are possible in S-band
- A prototype is under development



# Moving to higher frequency (X-band)

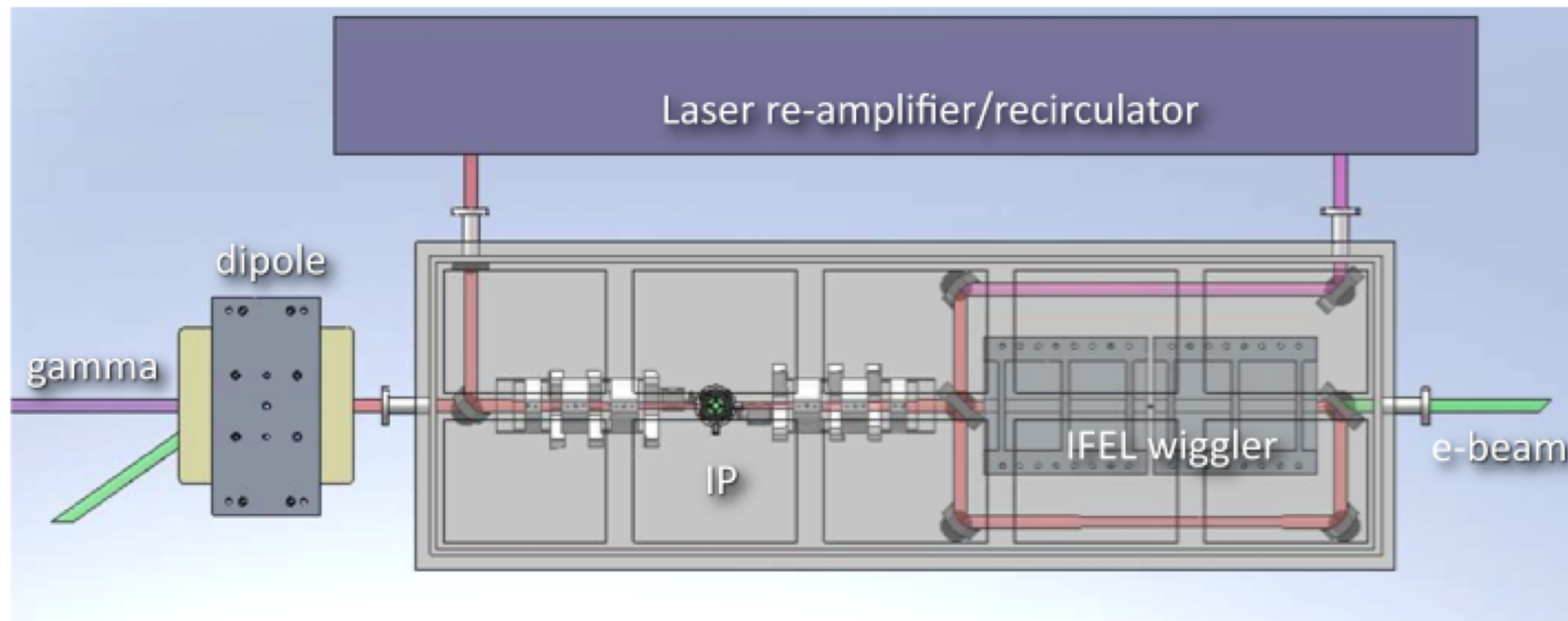
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- Very promising technology
- Based on years of research and optimization for NLC
- A major risk and cost driver is a poor industrial participation in X-band klystron development



# IFEL alternative to RF accelerators

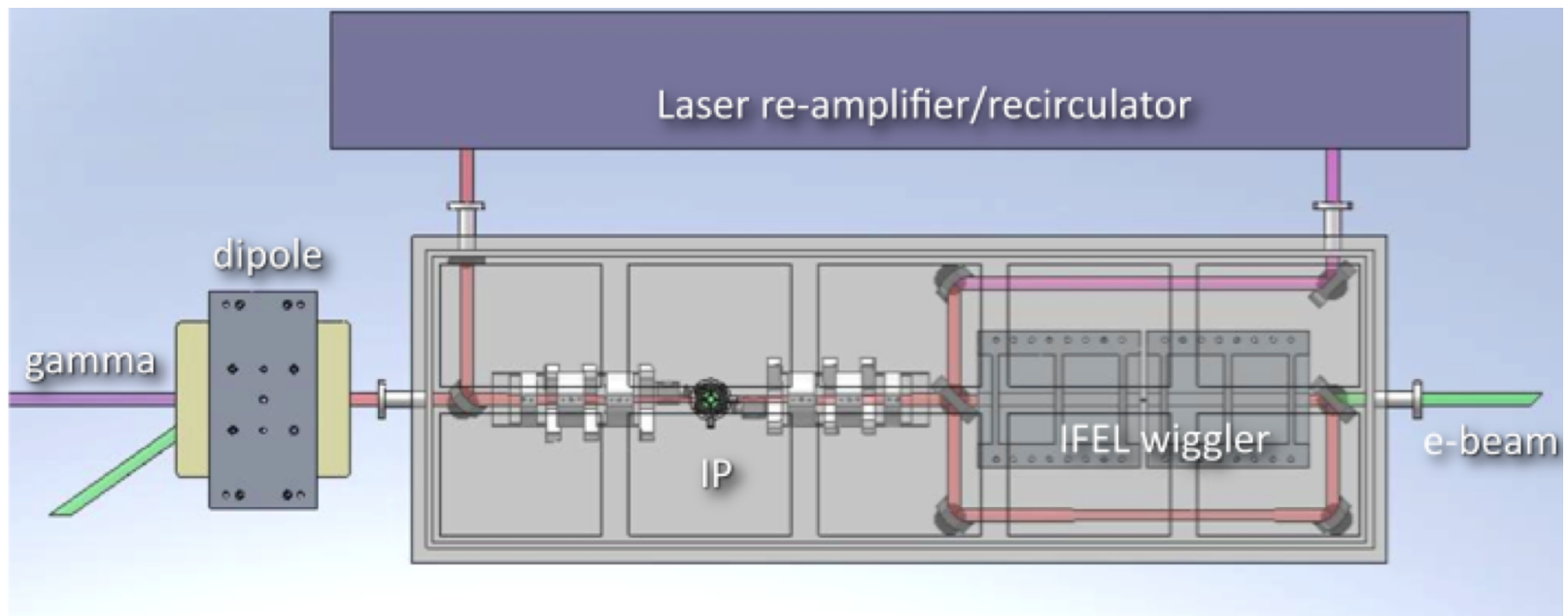
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<b>Inverse Free Electron Laser (IFEL)</b>	<b>700 MV/m</b>	<b>1 m</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>~ \$ 1 mm</b>



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# RUBICON is a pilot experiment

Input beam energy	Future IFEL/ICS	RUBICON
Input electron beam energy	75 MeV	50 MeV
Final electron beam energy	700 MeV	150 MeV
Laser wavelength	0.8 $\mu\text{m}$	10.6 $\mu\text{m}$
Average accelerating gradient	> 600 MV/m	$\sim$ 200 MeV/m
Laser seed power	5 TW	0.5 TW



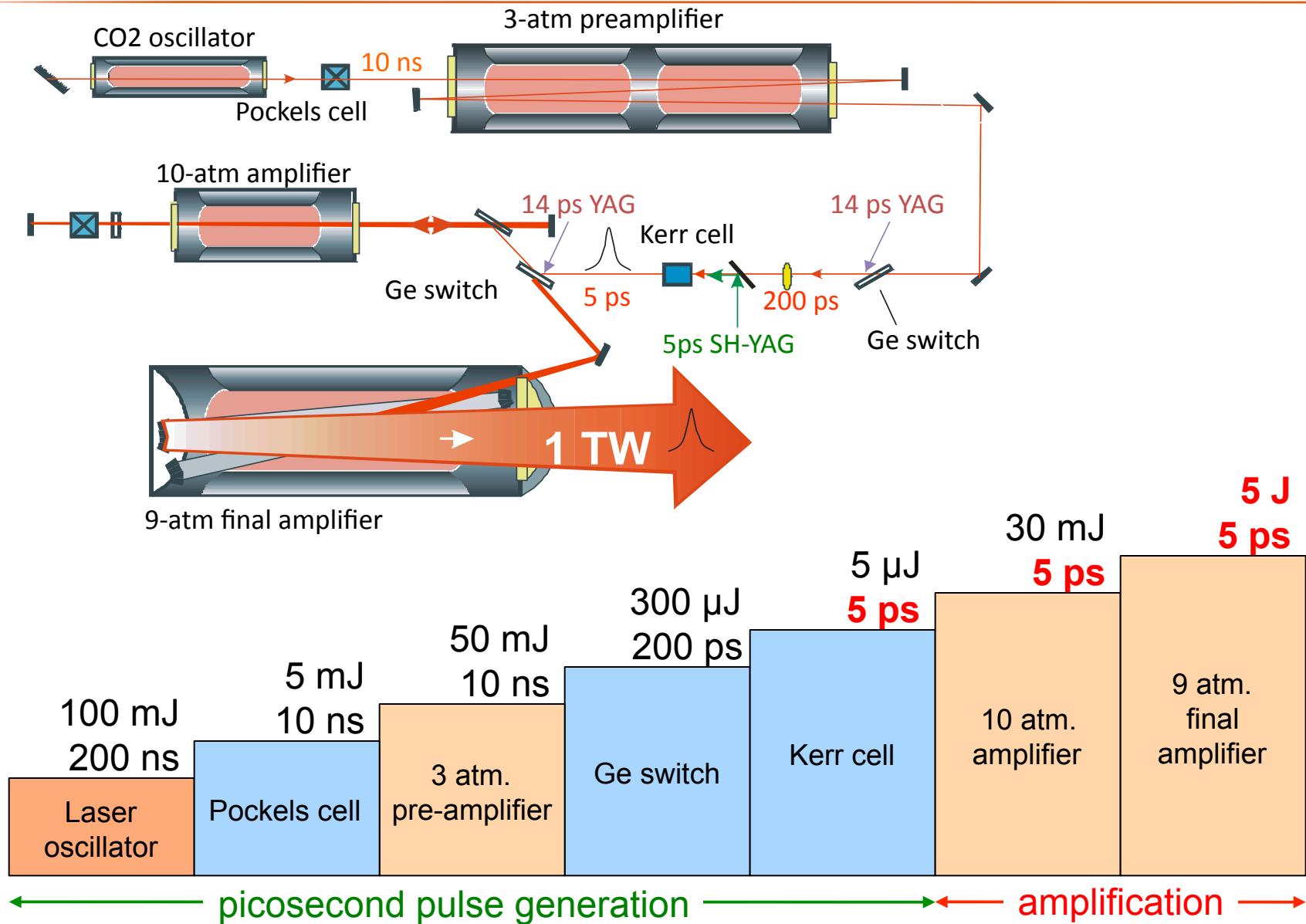


# RUBICON goals

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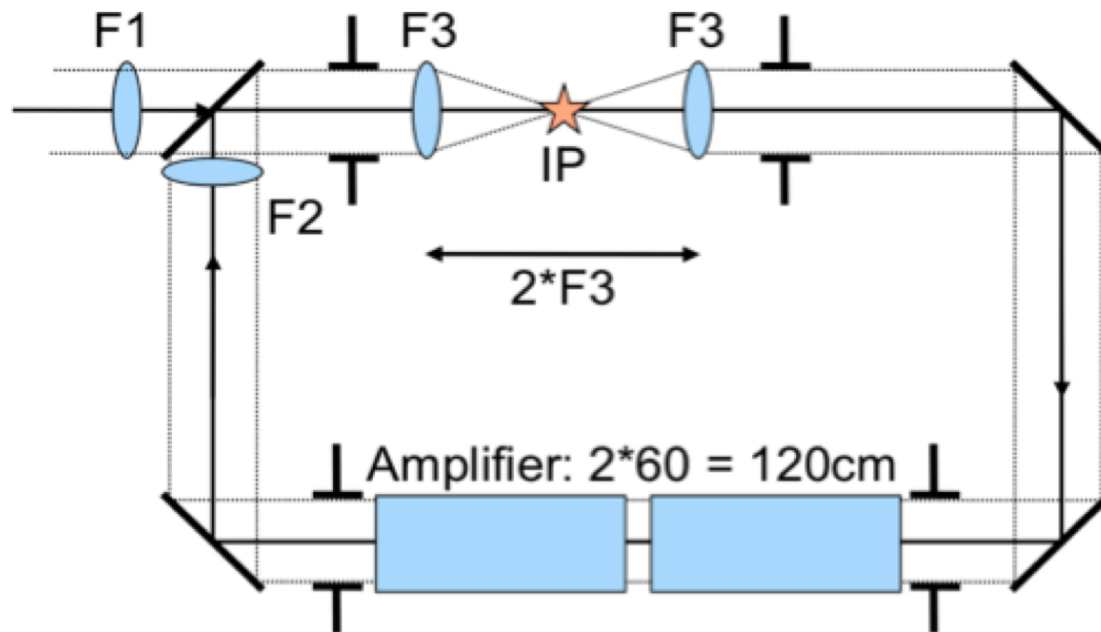
- An IFEL pilot project for IFEL-ICS concept
- Achieving record high gradient and good beam capture with the CO<sub>2</sub> driven IFEL:
  - $> 200$  MV/m;
  - $> 50$  % capture.
- Demonstrating recirculation and re-amplification of the laser beam to achieve high average power IFEL,
  - up to 100 CO<sub>2</sub> pulses, 12 ns apart per each RF pulse.
- Experimental investigation of IFEL physics in re-circulation regime
  - Stability, transverse mode structure, acceleration/capture fluctuations, etc.

# ATF-BNL CO2 Laser



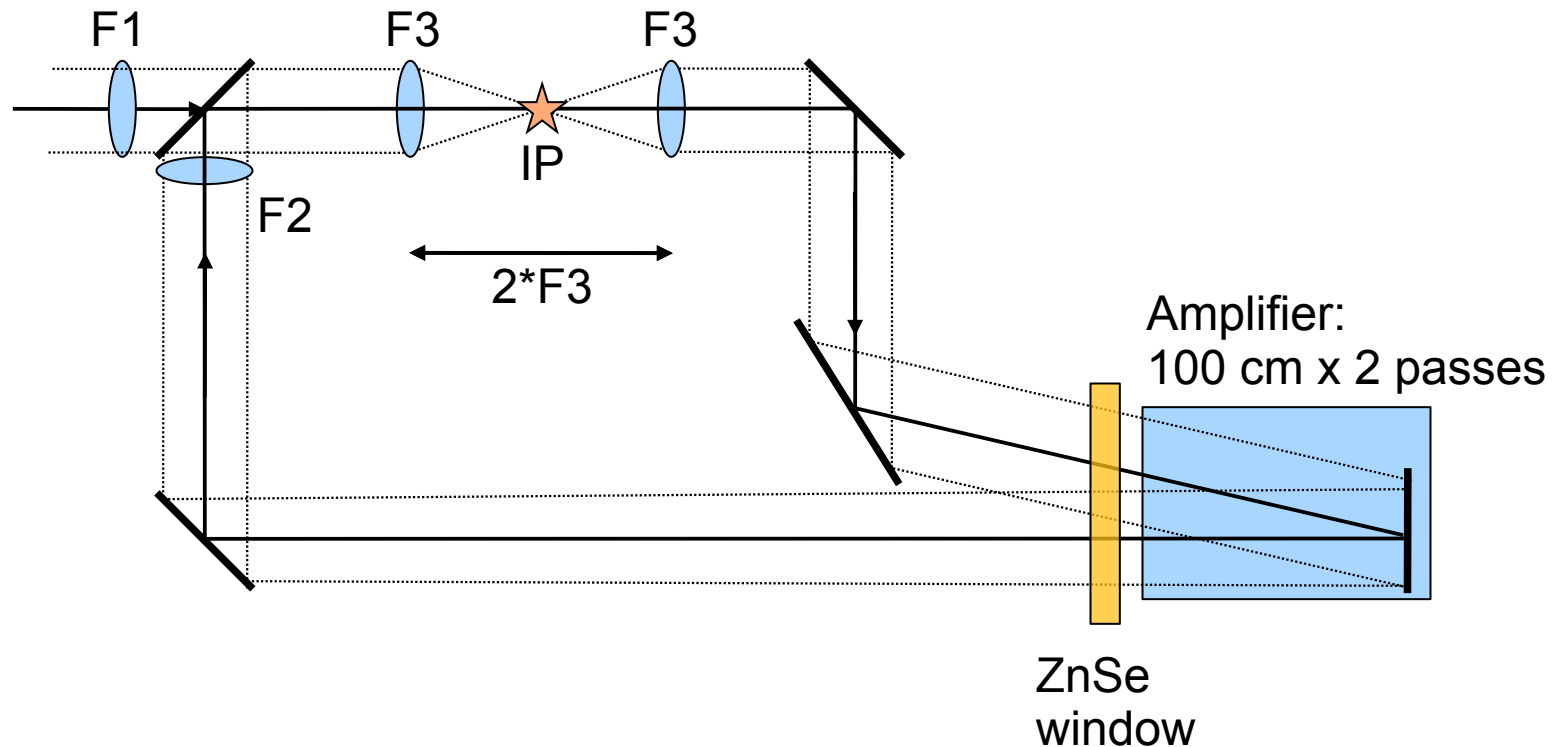
# CO<sub>2</sub> Laser Re-Circulation (Approach #1)

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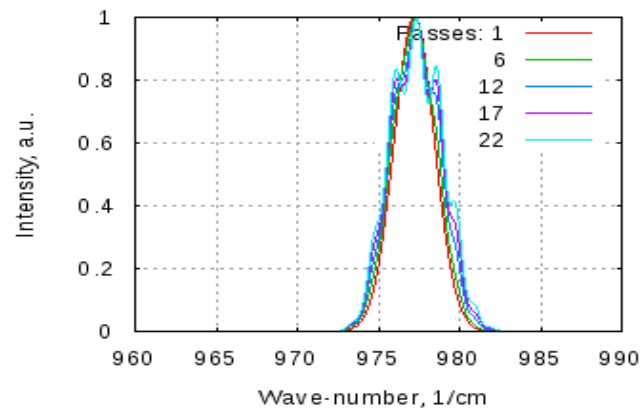
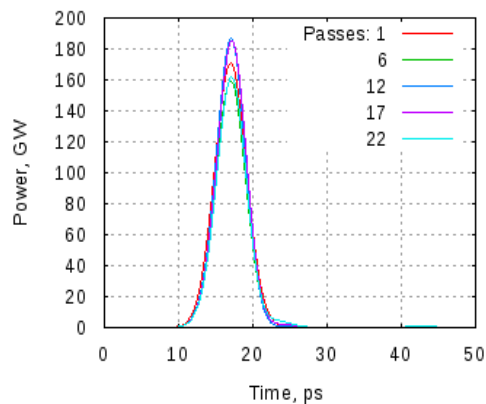
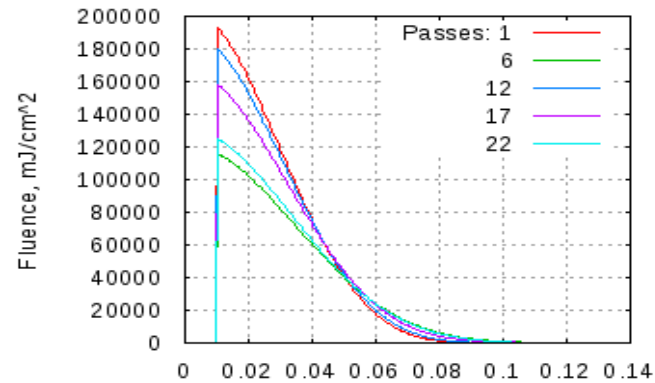
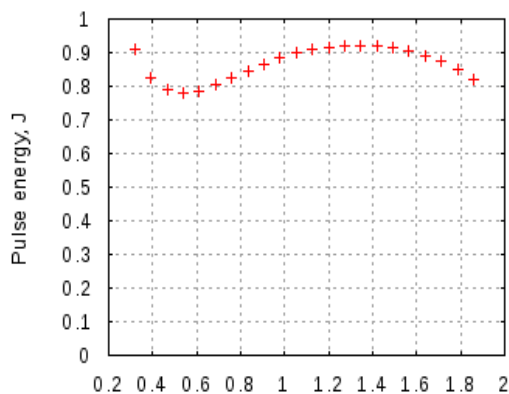
# CO2 Laser Re-Circulation (Approach #2)

- A 22-m reamplification loop will carry 6 pulses (12 ns apart), to achieve RUBICON goal of pulse train IFEL acceleration.



# CO2 Laser Re-Circulation

- Simulations demonstrate good beam quality preservation for a re-amplified laser pulse over the duration of the macro-bunch.



# Conclusions

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- IFEL is a promising technology to fundamentally reduce cost and footprint of the ICS gamma sources.
- RUBICON is a pilot project initiated specifically in the context of ICS application.
- RUBICON is a 5 years program:
  - 2010-2011 to demonstrate record high gain (lead by UCLA);
  - 2011-2012 to demonstrate and characterized multi-bunch IFEL acceleration (pending Phase II SBIR grant);
  - 2013-2014 to combine IFEL with the ICS;
- A success of this project would enable development of a practical stand-alone high average power IFEL-ICS system in a 5 year horizon.
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