



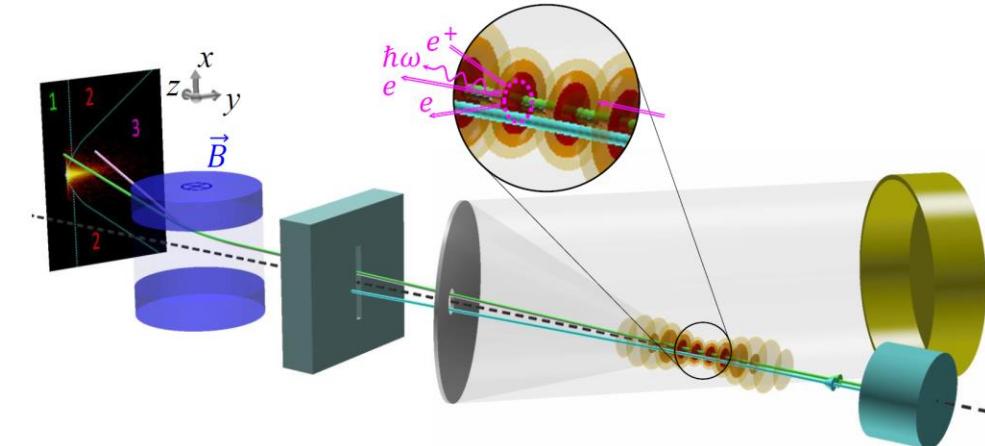
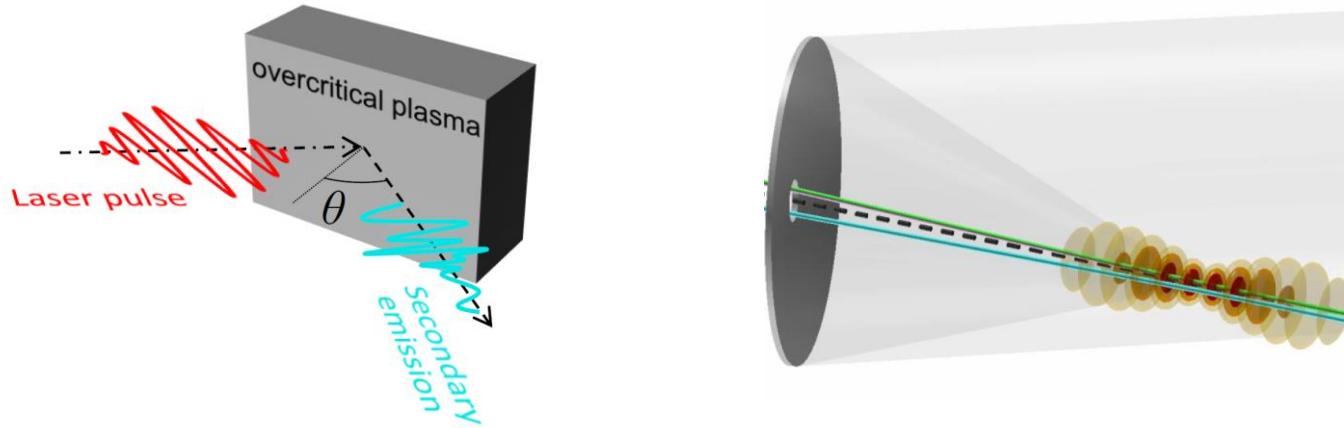
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# Towards simulation-governed ML-based analysis of laser-plasma interactions

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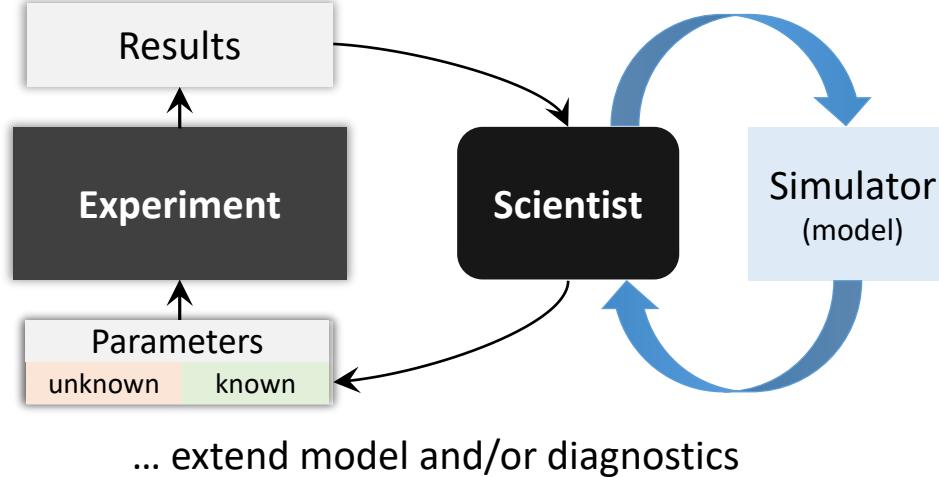
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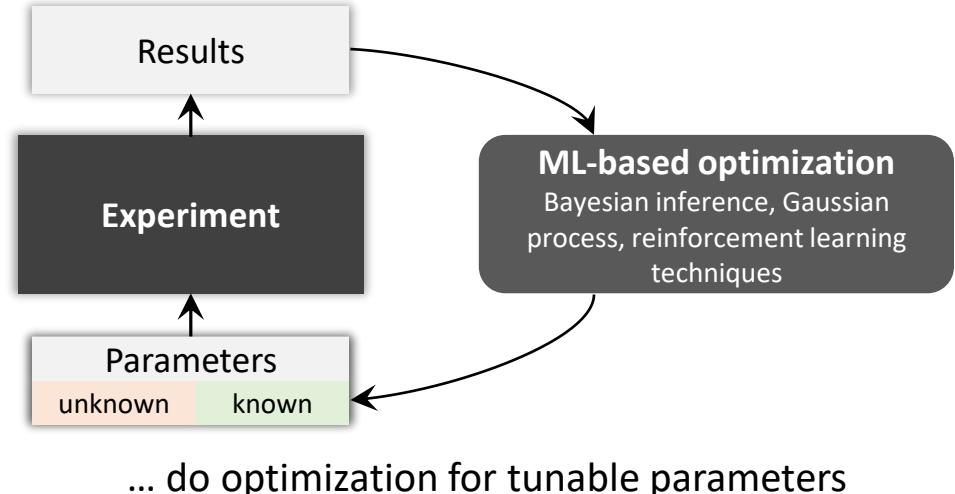
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# What if experiment and theory do not agree?

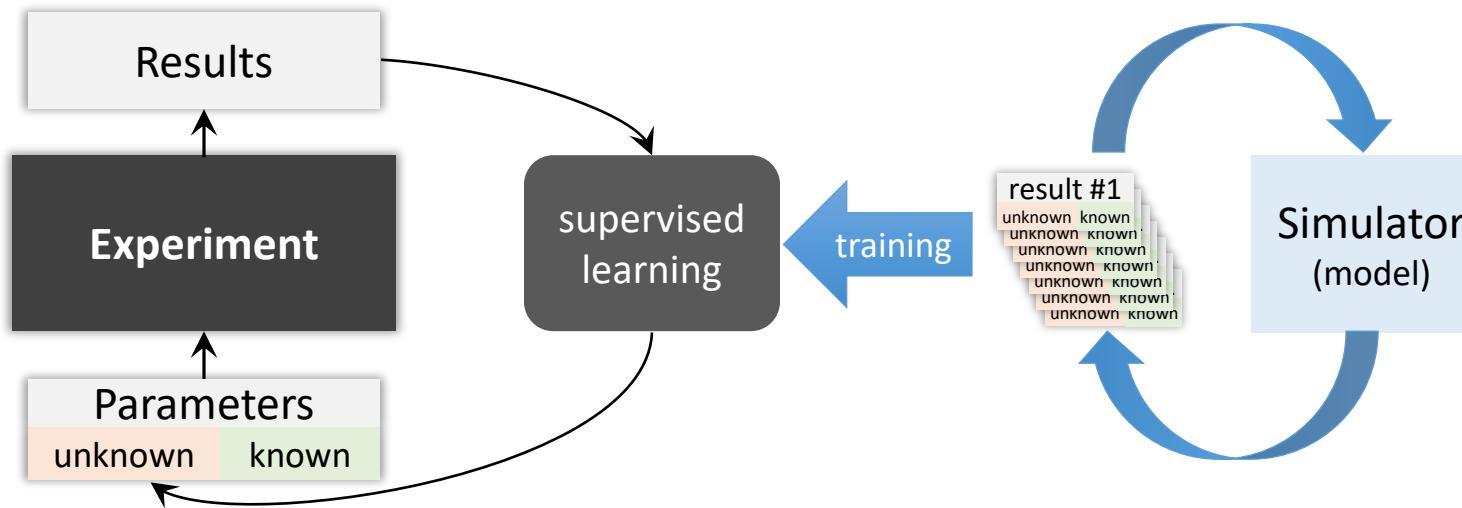
## Simulation-based strategy



## ML-based strategy



## ML-based diagnostics:



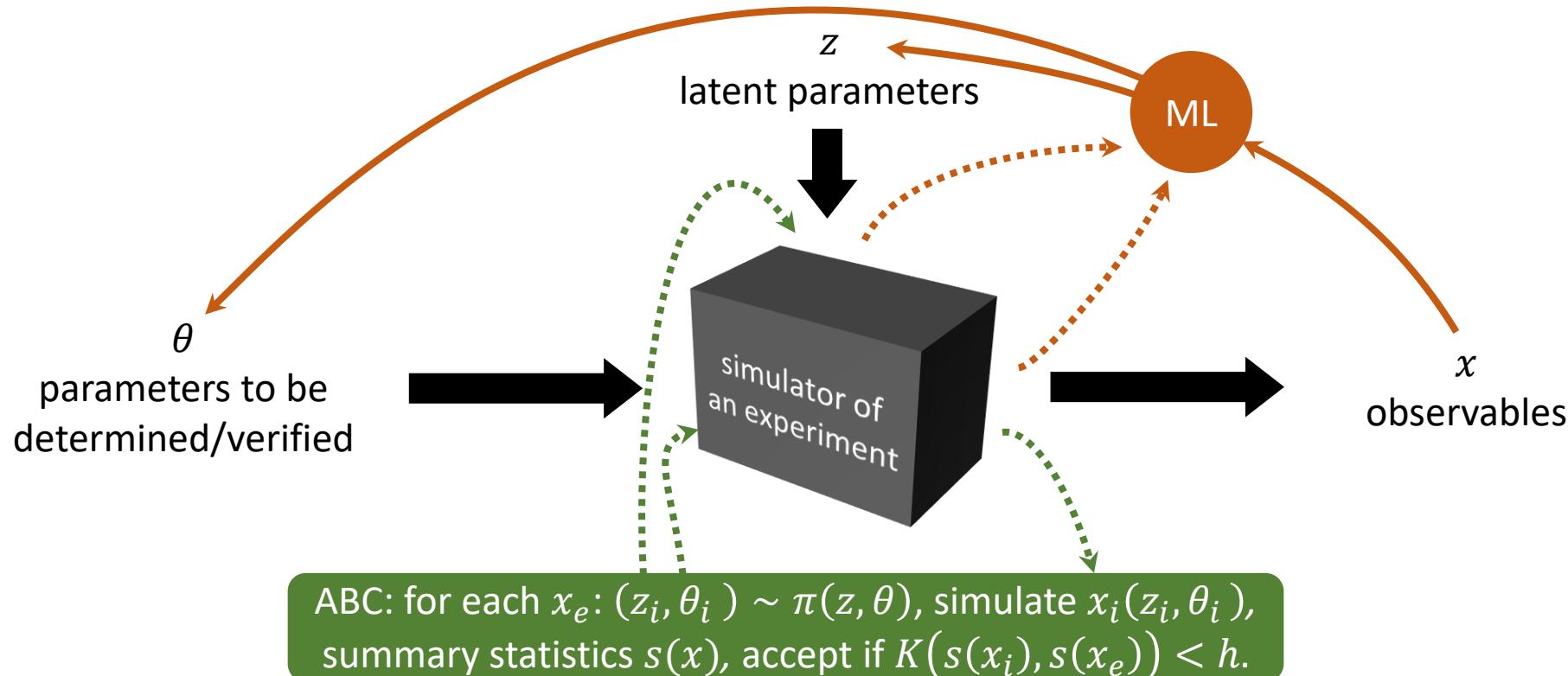
### Problems:

- simulated results can differ
- and in an unknown way!

### Methods:

- develop tolerance to differences
- extend simulator
- transfer learning

# The layout of an inverse problem with latent parameters



Problem: Infer  $\theta$  from experimental data

Approaches and difficulties:

1. **Approximate Bayesian Computation (ABC):** large dimensionality of  $x$  and  $z$  make the likelihood function intractable (requires integration over all possible outcomes)
2. **ML:** explanation and reliability; irreversibility due to probabilistic or/and stochastic nature of the process; difference between experiment and simulation

# The overview of the activity in terms of ML

## Incremental improvements:

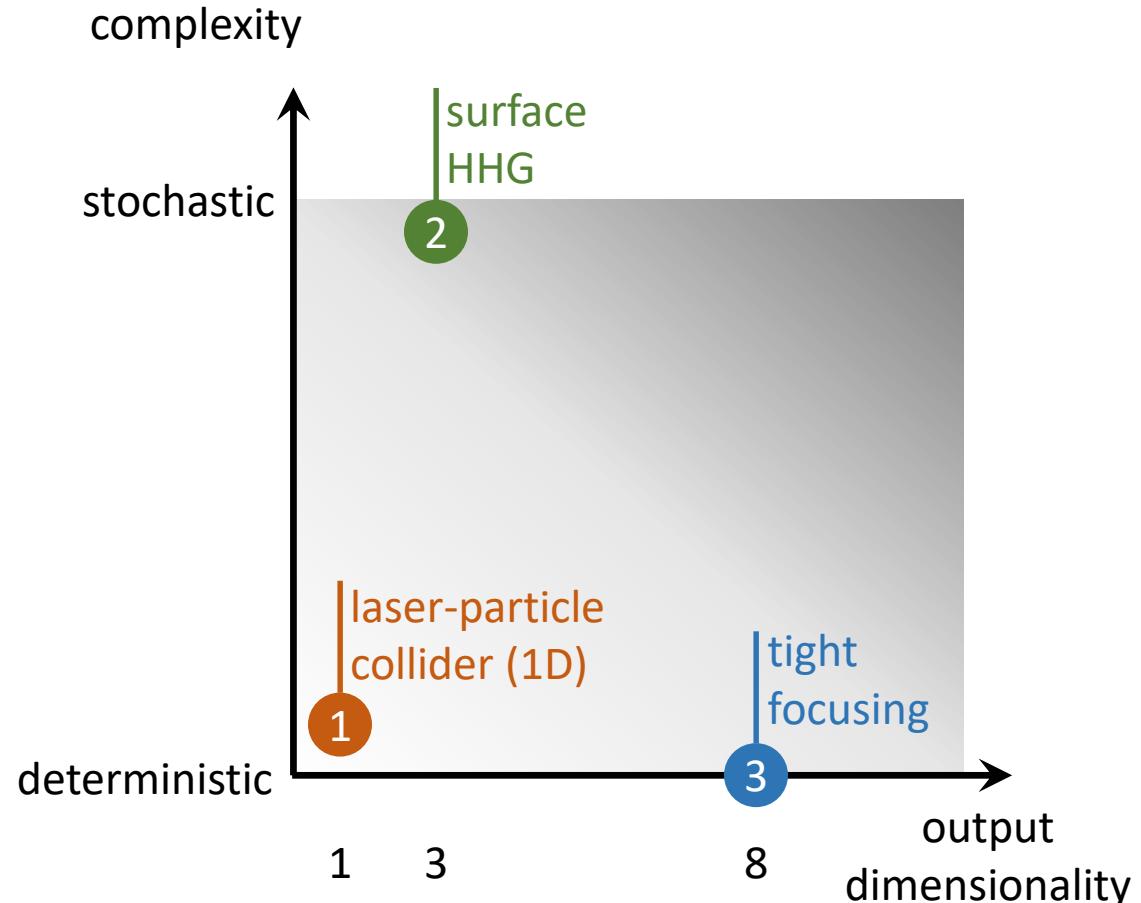
- Achieve narrower distribution of errors
- Quantify upper limits for error distribution
- Identify reliable cutoffs

## Game-changing improvements:

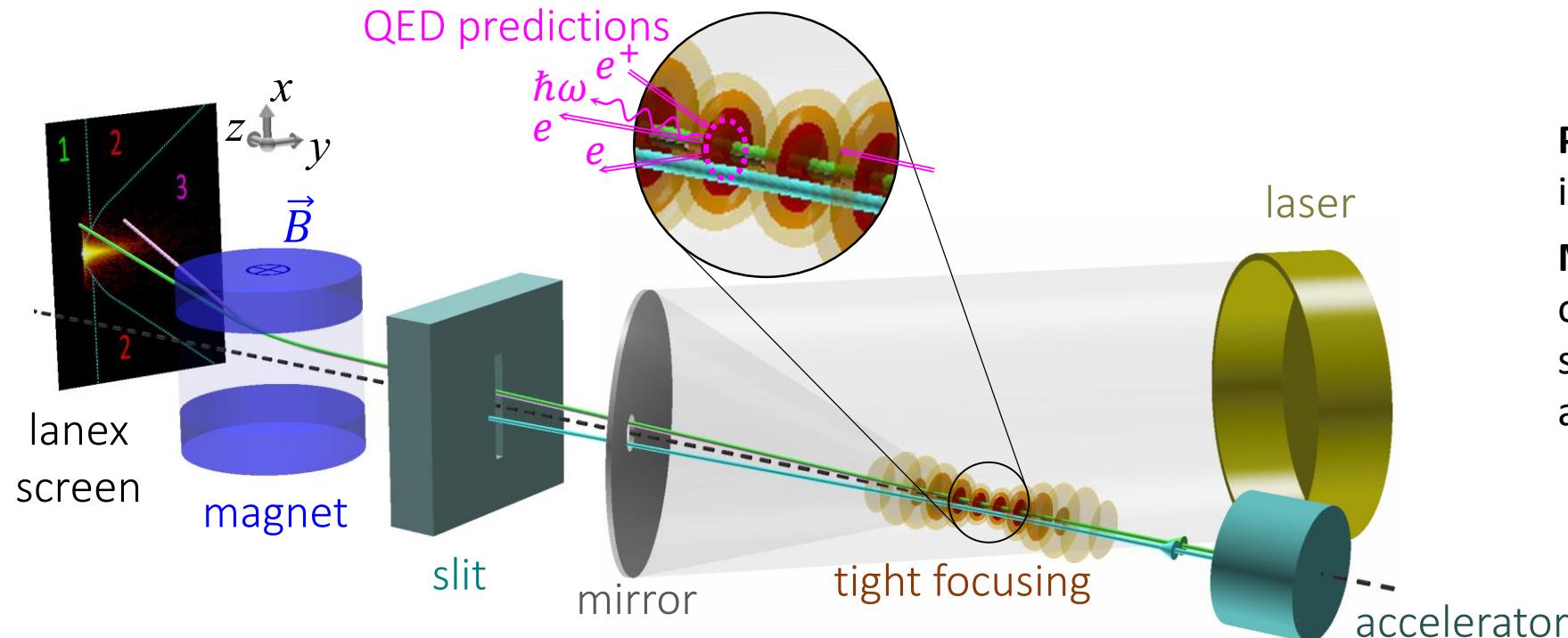
- Generalizability (simulations → experiment)
- Overcoming irreversibility (detect, explain)
- Reliability (retrieve sufficient summary statistics; identify indicative features)

## Methodology:

1. Identify ML models tolerant to noise (varied by binning strategy): use noise to enhance generalizability.
2. Transfer learning: (1) pre-train using simplified analytical models (uncostly data) to accentuate indicative features; (2) generalize using ab-initio simulations (cheap data); (3) fine-tune using actual experiment (expensive data).
3. Improve ML model invariance by using simulation-based generative (composable) model for training.

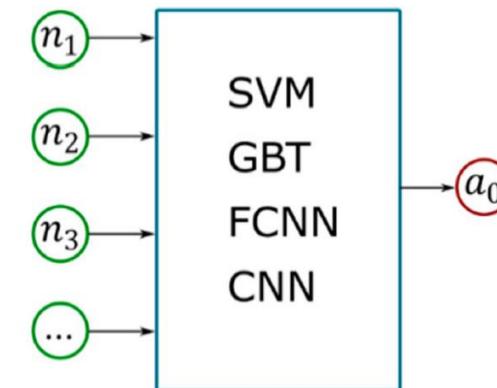
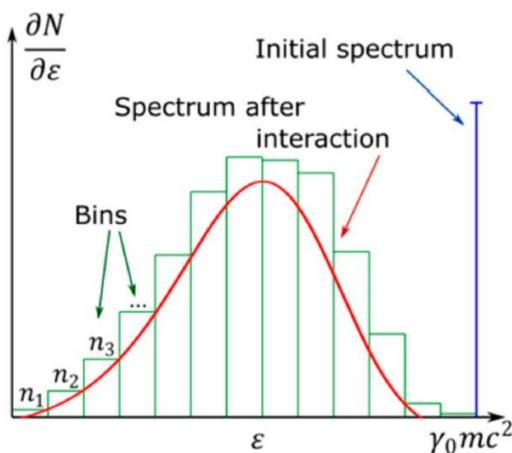
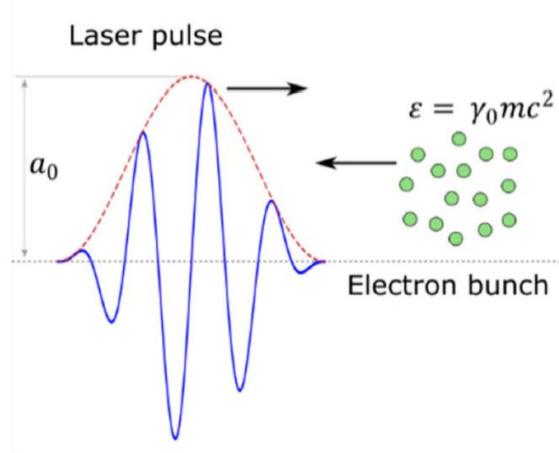


# Problem #1: peak field determination in experiments on SFQED



**Problem:** determine peak laser intensity achieved.

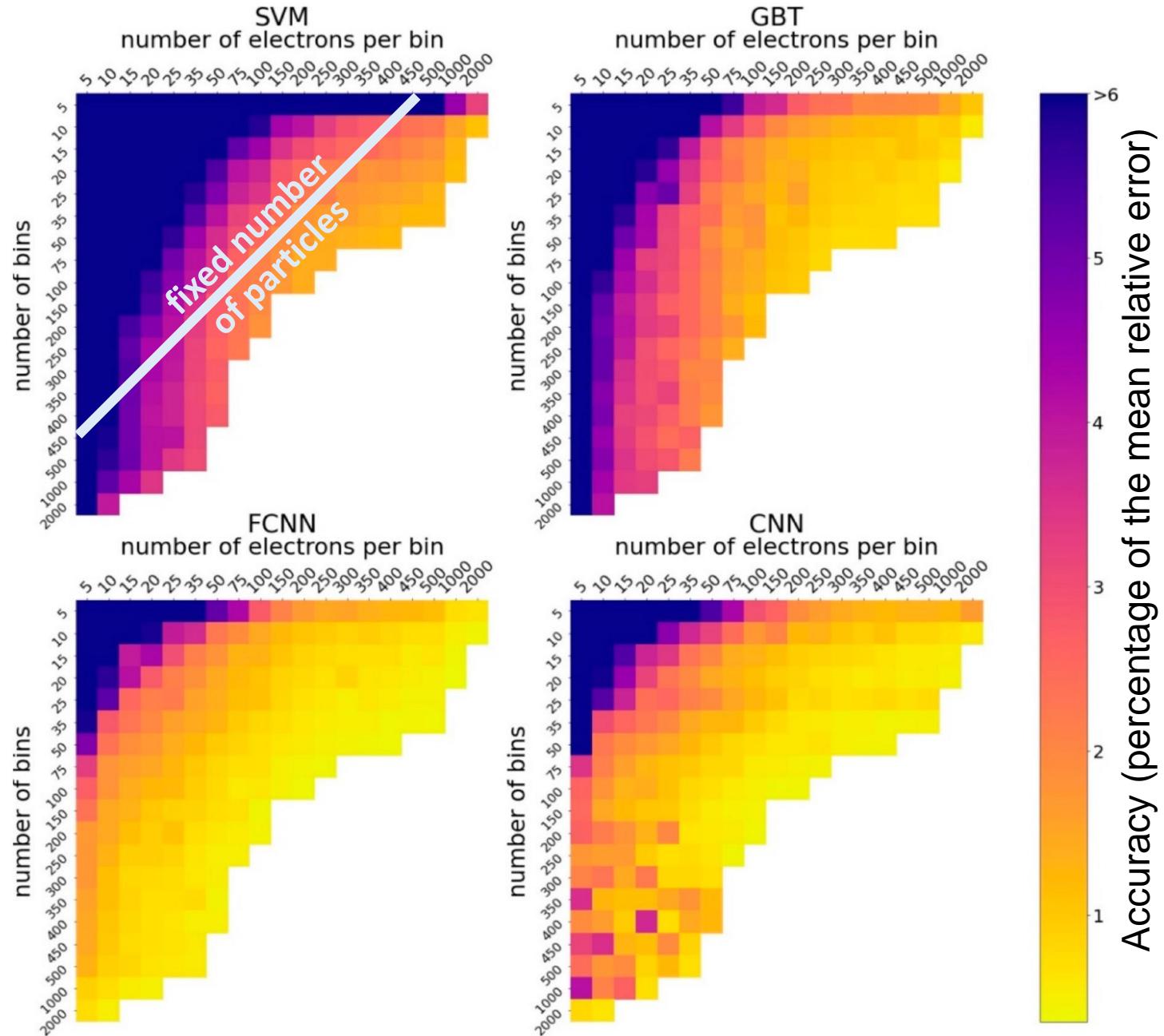
**Motivation:** experimental tests of strong-field QED require strong fields of known amplitude.



# Problem 1: results

## Conclusions:

- Non-optimal binning can crucially deteriorate the performance of SVM and GBT, and, to a less extent, FCNN and CNN.
- PCA (linear) can reduce training time at the cost of minor accuracy deterioration, but doesn't provide higher accuracy overall.



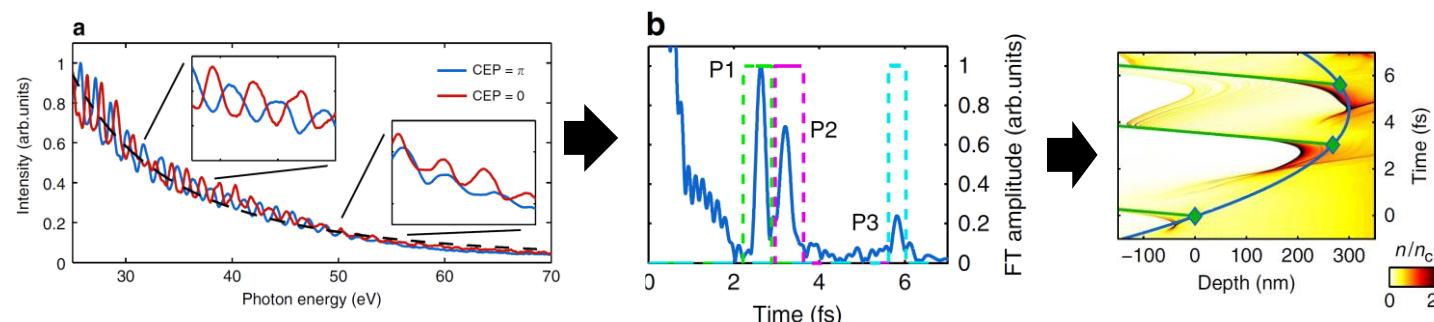
*Y. Rodimkov et al.* ML-Based Analysis of Particle Distributions in High-Intensity Laser Experiments: Role of Binning Strategy, Entropy, 23 (1), 21 (2020)

# Problem #2: problem statement

**Process:** An intense few-cycle laser pulse with some carrier envelope phase (CEP) impinges on an overdense plasma target at some incidence angle and causes the generation of secondary radiation.

**Problem:** infer CEP, pre-plasma scale length and angle of incidence from the spectrum of secondary emission (the only routinely measurable data).

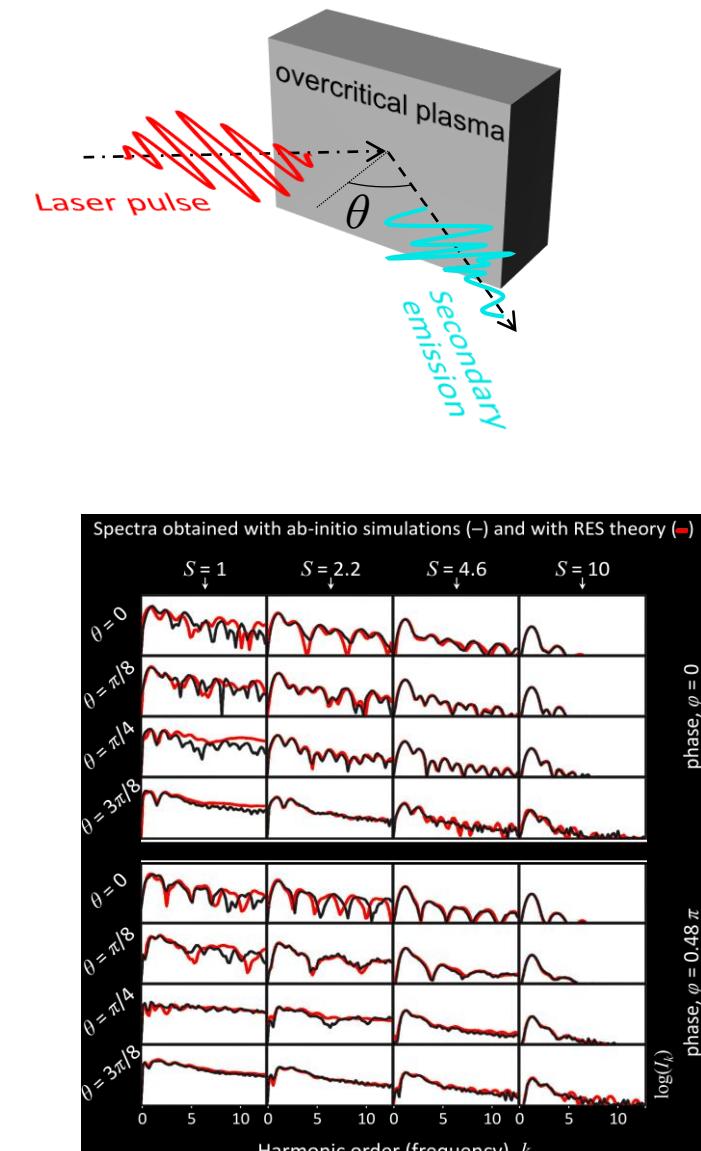
**Spectral interferometry (designed for 2-3 cycle pulses, known parameters):**



D. Kormin et al. Nat. Comm. 9, 4992 (2018)

## Goals:

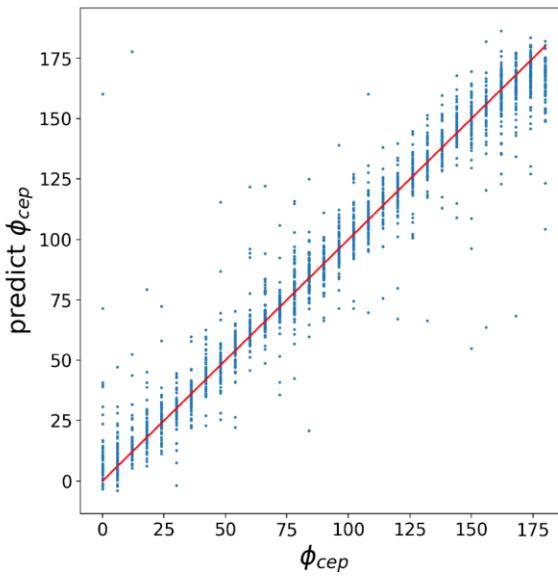
- use ML to learn more general features (reconstruct more parameters)
- apply transfer learning to reach applicability for experimental data RES ( $\sim 1$  ms per simulation), PIC ( $\sim 1$  min,  $\sim 10^5$  cases), experiment ( $\sim 10^3$  cases)
- determine (highlight?) indicative features



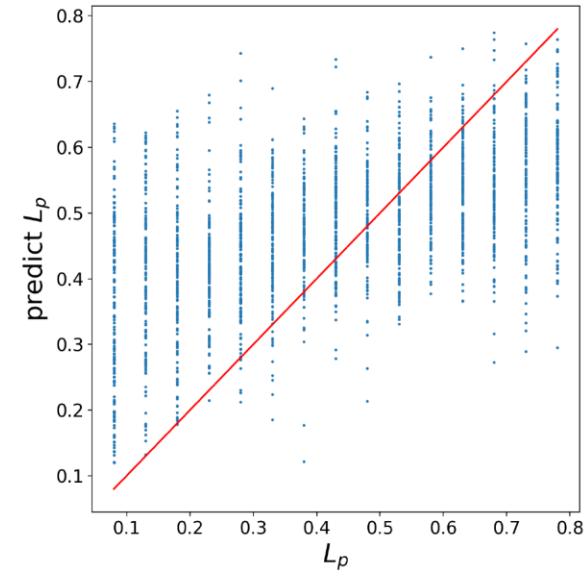
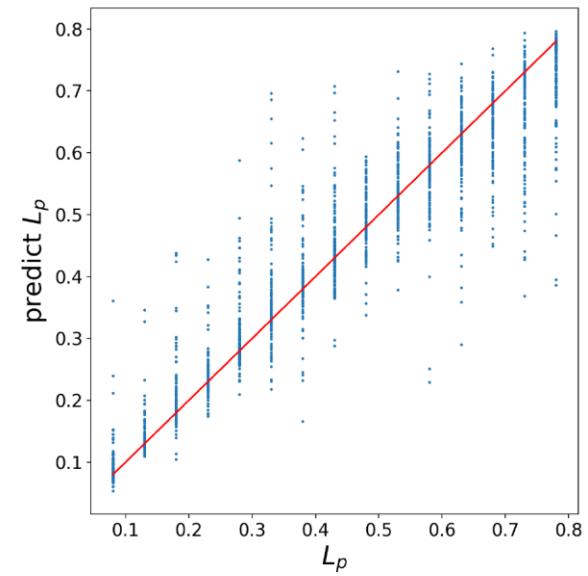
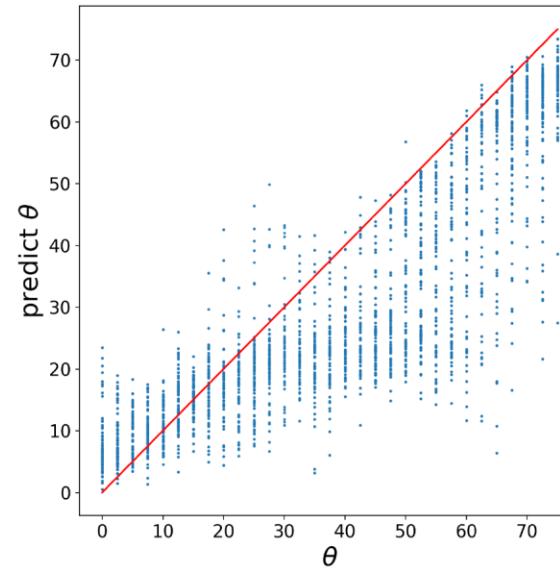
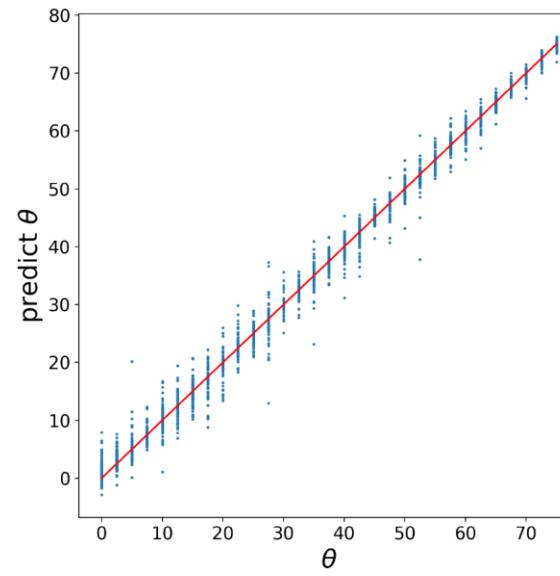
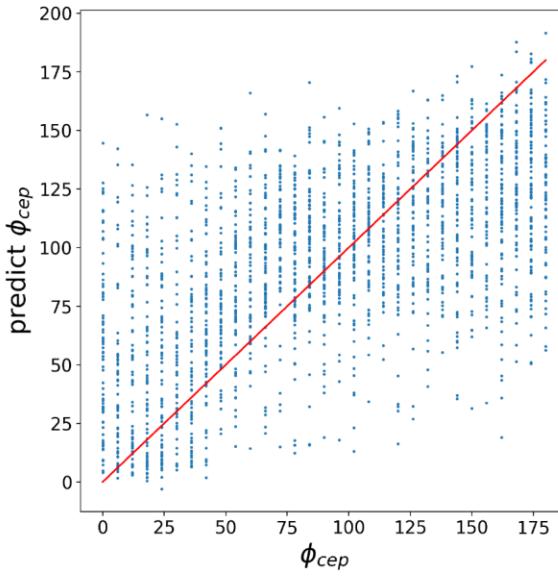
Gonoskov et al., Sci. Rep. 9 (1), 1-15 (2019)  
RES model: Gonoskov, Phys. Plasmas (2018)

# Problem #2: results, FCNN trained with PIC simulations

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data**



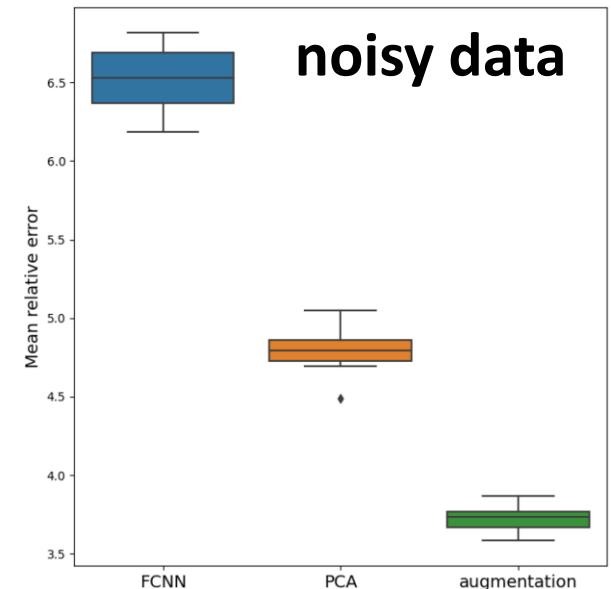
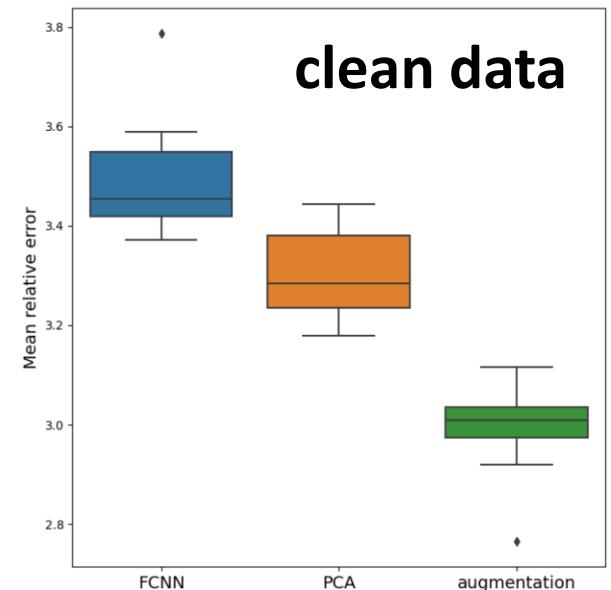
**“noisy”  
data**



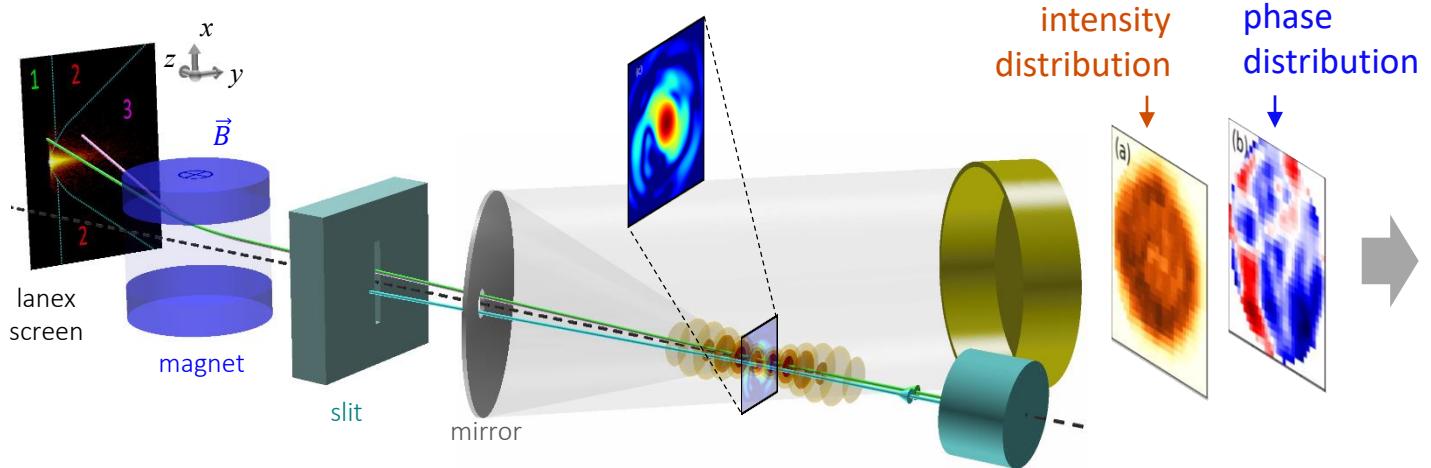
# Problem #2: tolerance to noise

Accuracy measures:  $MAPE = \frac{100}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|\hat{y}_i - y_i|}{\max(\hat{y})}$ ,  $R^2 = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\hat{y}_i - y_i)^2}{(y_i - \bar{y})^2}$

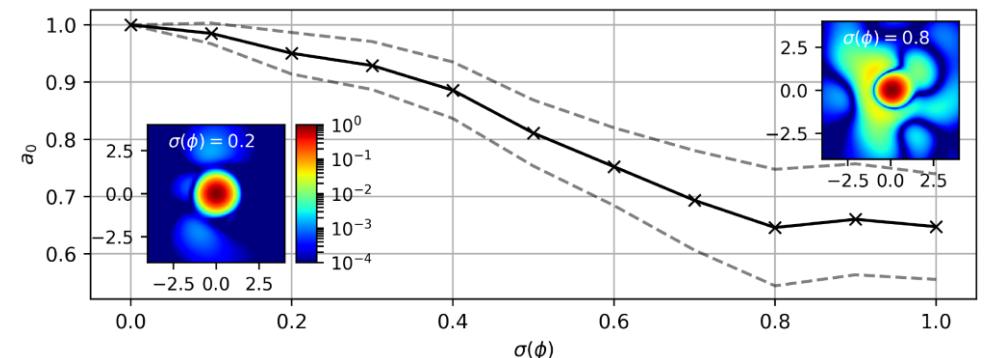
Model	Metrics	$\Phi_{CEP}$	$\theta$	$L_p$
Baseline model trained on clean data, tested on clean data	MAPE	3.823	1.781	4.890
	$R^2$	0.952	0.991	0.904
Baseline model trained on clean data, tested on noisy data	MAPE	18.675	13.297	18.601
	$R^2$	0.327	0.638	0.304
Baseline model trained on noisy data, tested on noisy data	MAPE	7.638	3.179	8.743
	$R^2$	0.841	0.968	0.756
PCA preprocessing	MAPE	5.385	2.434	6.537
	$R^2$	0.944	0.988	0.893
Adding noise to data gradually	MAPE	4.170	1.911	5.095
	$R^2$	0.946	0.988	0.897



# Problem #3: problem statement

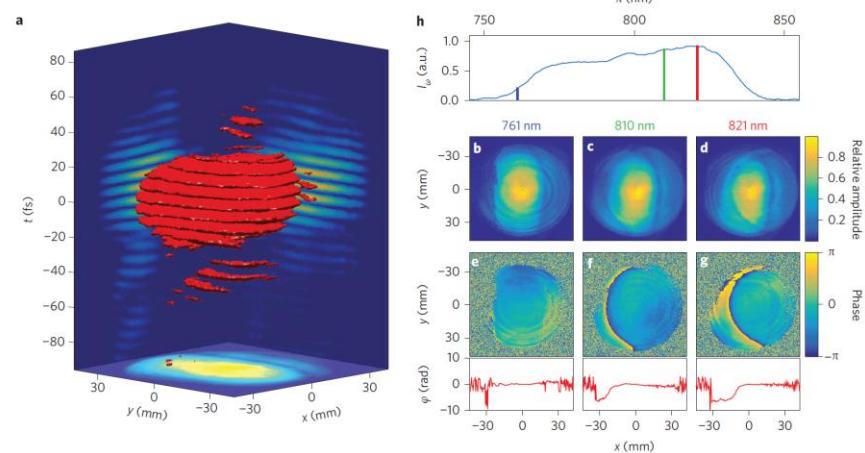
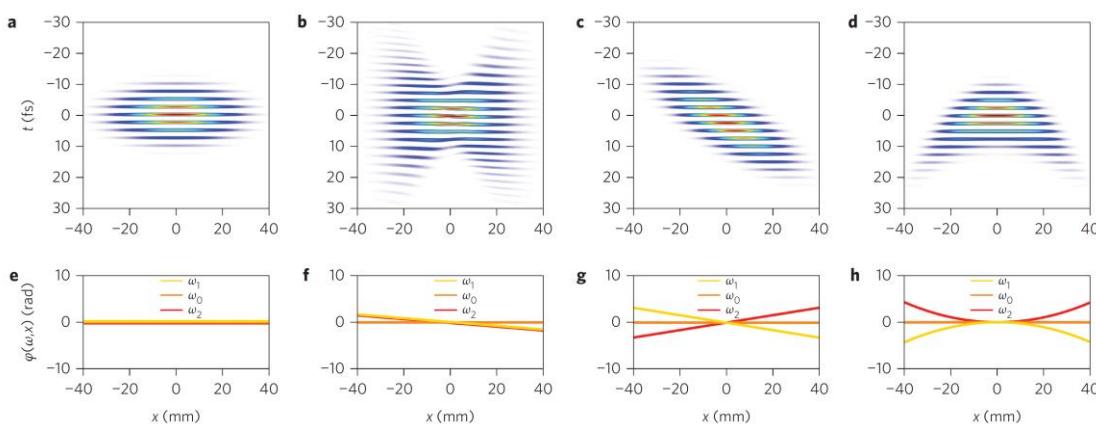


Phase deviations decrease peak field amplitude and affect its structure:



E. Panova *et al.* Appl. Sci., 11, 956 (2021)

Broad spectrum (spans over  $\omega_1 < \omega_0 < \omega_2$ ) causes further complications:



G. Pariente *et al.* Nature Photonics 10, 547–553 (2016)

To reduce the costs and overcome limitations (tight focusing of short pulses) we try to use ML:

- infer angles of phase tilts (for three frequencies) and their orientations from intensity distribution at the focus
- suggest optimal/automated tuning of adaptive optics