

Degenerate band edge oscillator (DBEO)

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- ❑ Degenerate band edge (DBE) in slow-wave structures
- ❑ Progress in cold test study of DBE in metallic waveguide (collaboration with UNM*)
- ❑ Low starting current calculations for DBE oscillators (DBEO)
- ❑ All metallic slow-wave structures (SWSs) with DBE
- ❑ Preliminary PIC calculations for the interaction between an SWS with DBE and electron beam (collaboration with UNM**)
- ❑ Conclusion

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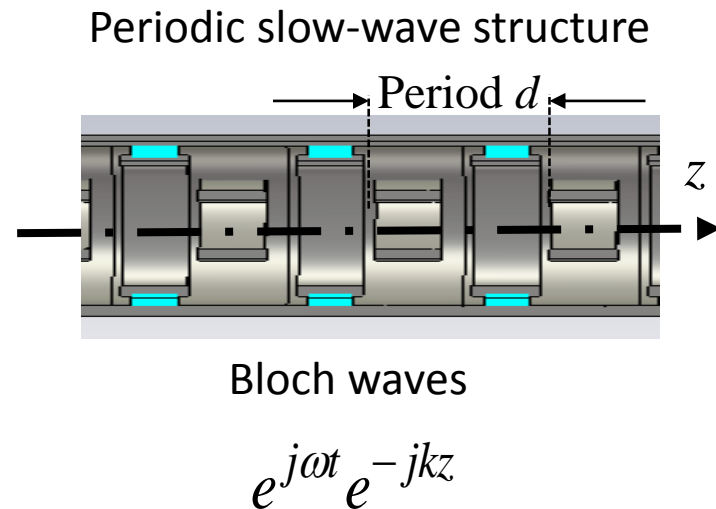
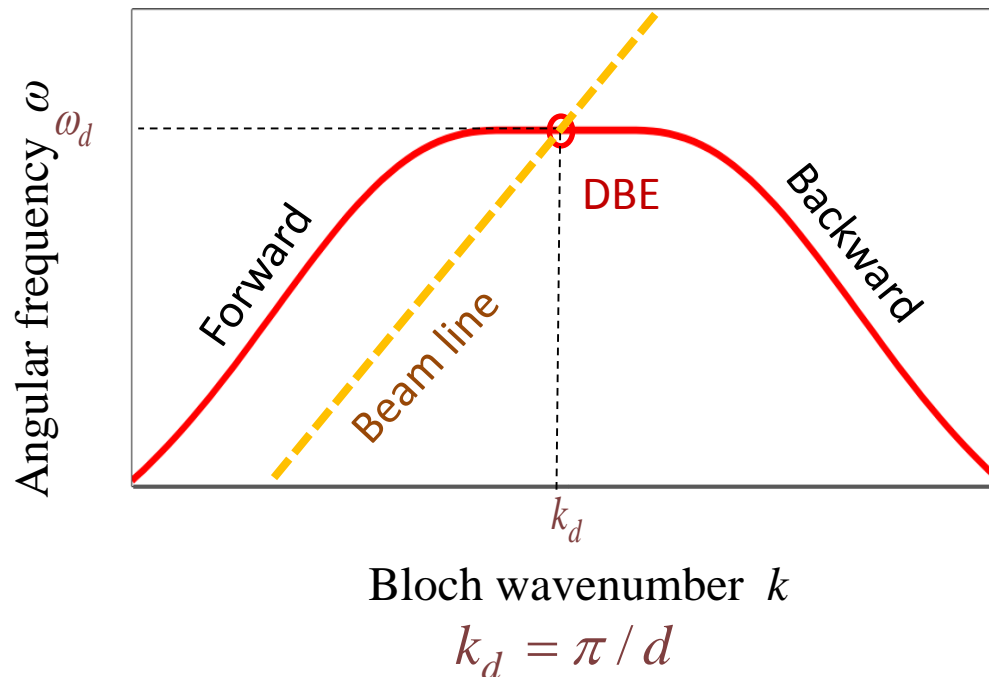
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Degenerate band edge (DBE)

Waveguide structures can support a DBE, instead of only an RBE (regular band edge). At DBE, we have four degenerate modes

$$\text{DBE dispersion} \quad (\omega_d - \omega) \propto (k - k_d)^4$$



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Four mode synchronization

Dispersion relation for SWS with DBE and e-beam

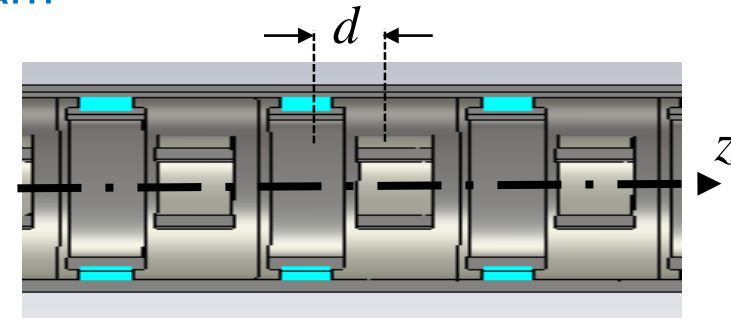
$$\left[(\omega_d - \omega) - h(k - k_d)^4 \right] [\omega - u_0 k]^2 = C(\omega, k, I_0)$$

Four EM modes

e-beam

coupling

Periodic waveguide with DBE

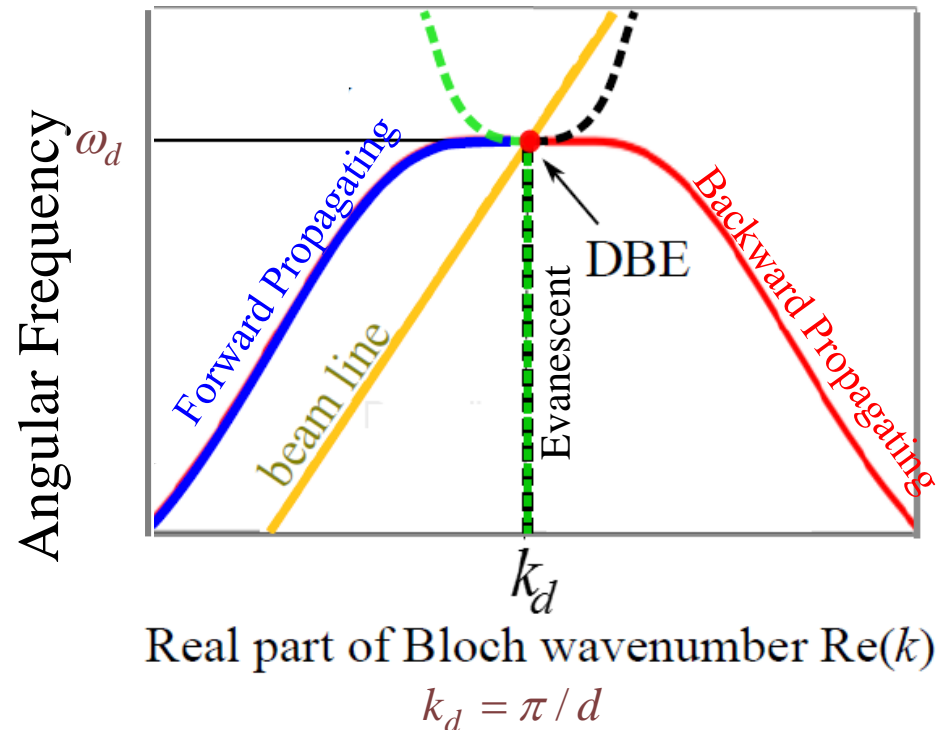


Bloch waves $e^{j\omega t} e^{-jkz}$

Four mode super synchronization

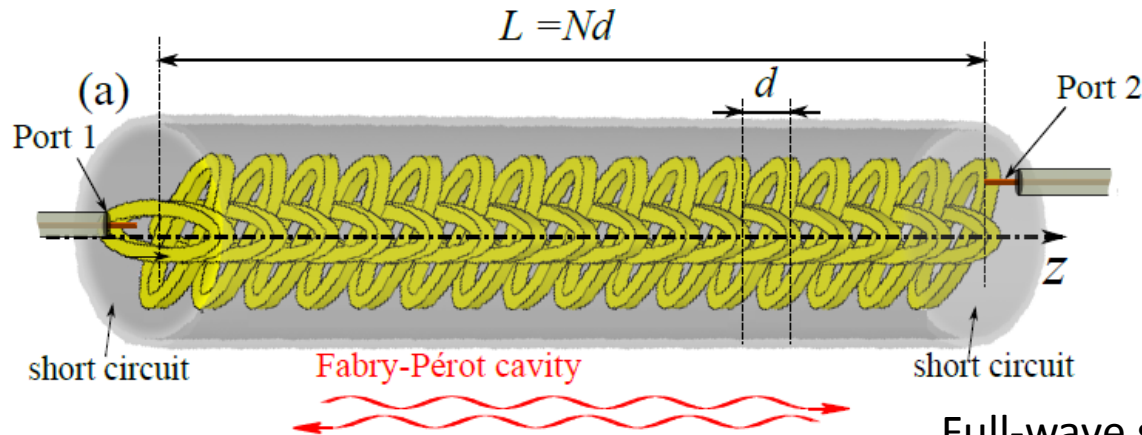
$$u_0 \approx \frac{\omega_d}{k_d}$$

u_0 : electron's average velocity



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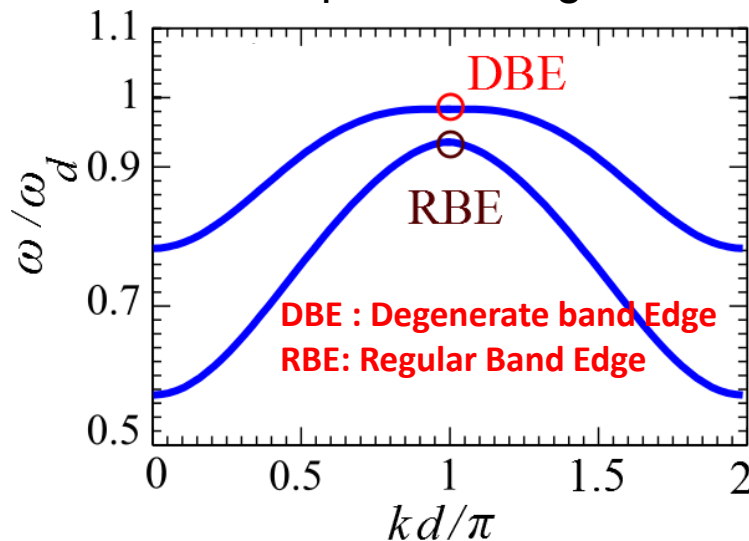
DBE Frequency 2.1 GHz

$\phi_{DBE} \sim 68^\circ$

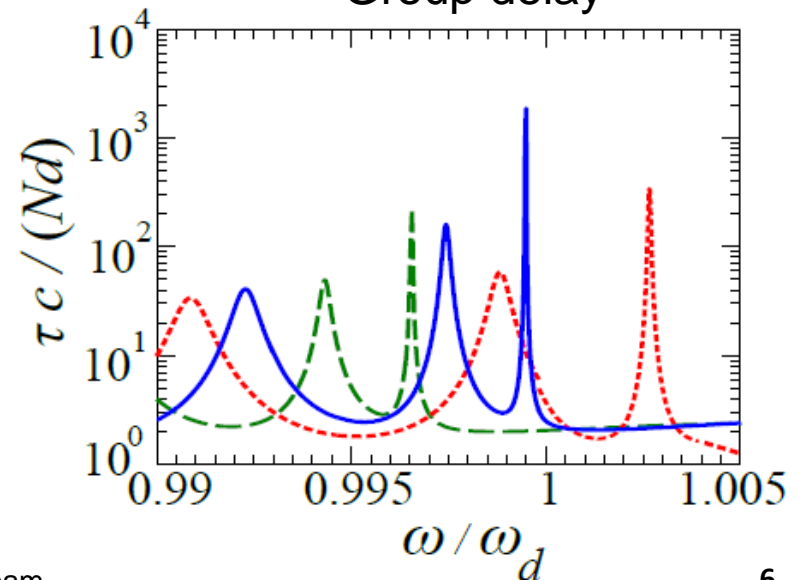
Full-wave simulations
(CST Microwave Studio)

— ϕ_{DBE} - - - $0.95\phi_{DBE}$ ····· $1.05\phi_{DBE}$

Dispersion diagram



Group delay



Waveguide fabrication and cold test

Copper rings



Foam support for rings



Waveguide flanges



+
Circular waveguide



S-parameters measurement done using KEYSIGHT N5247A PNA-X Microwave Network Analyzer



probe

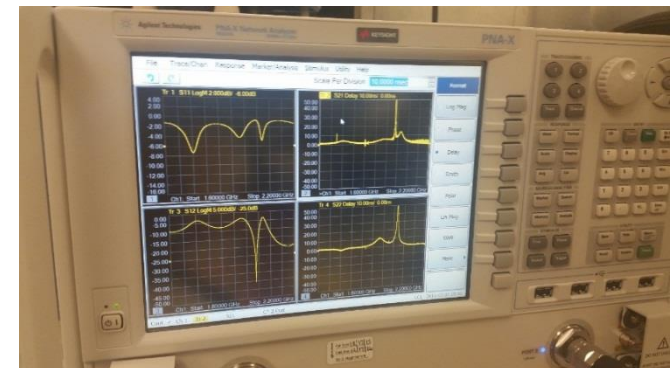


Different lengths of SWS

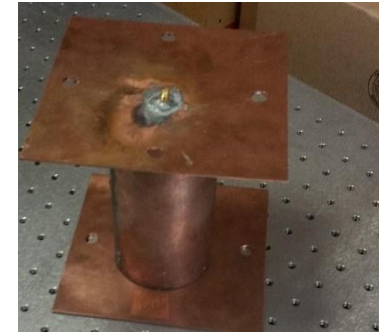
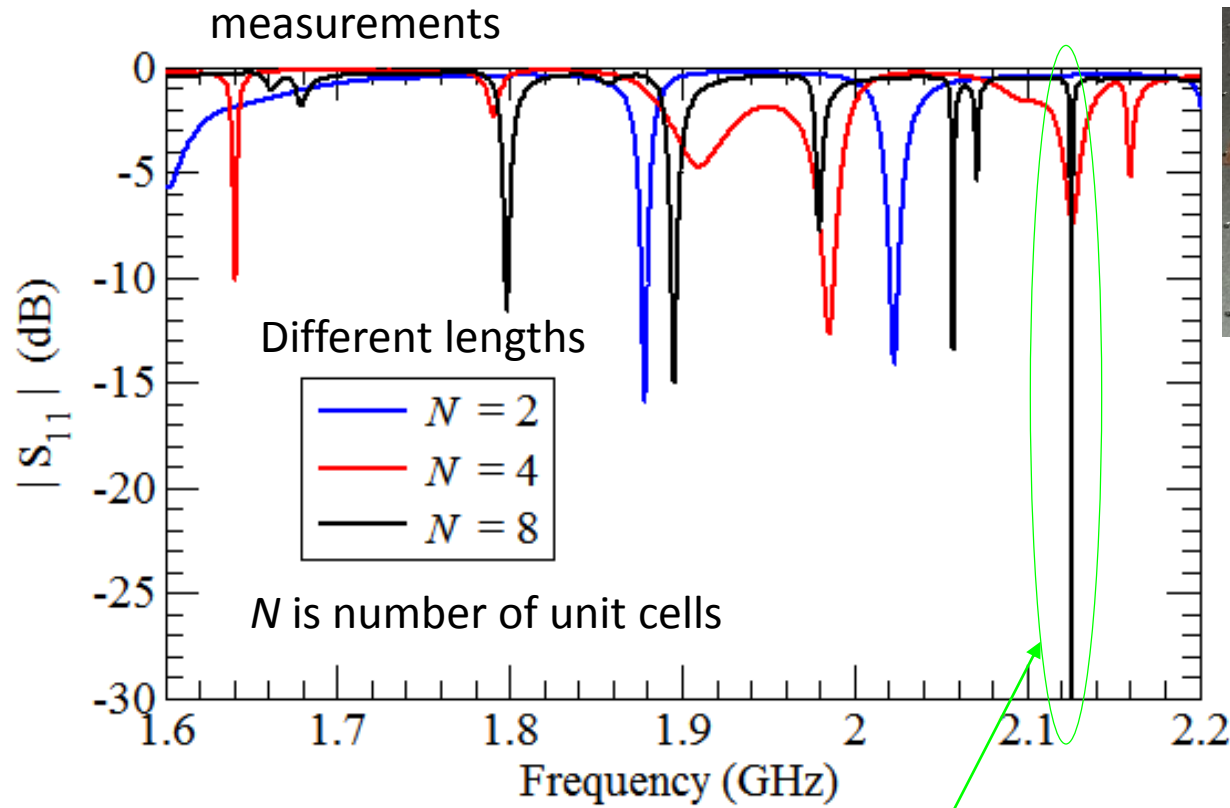


Measurements:

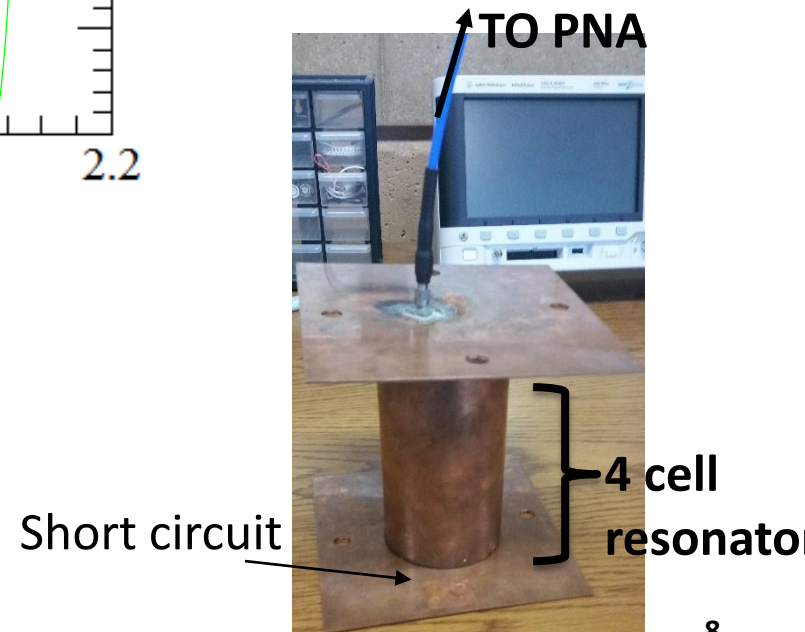
- 1- Reflection and transmission parameters
- 2- Group delay
- 3- Dispersion relation



Cold test: 1 port, S-parameters



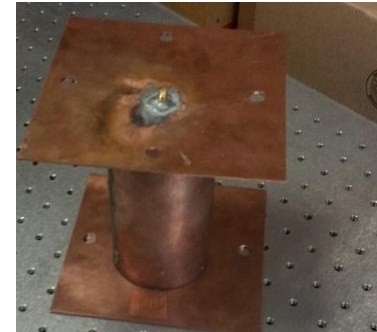
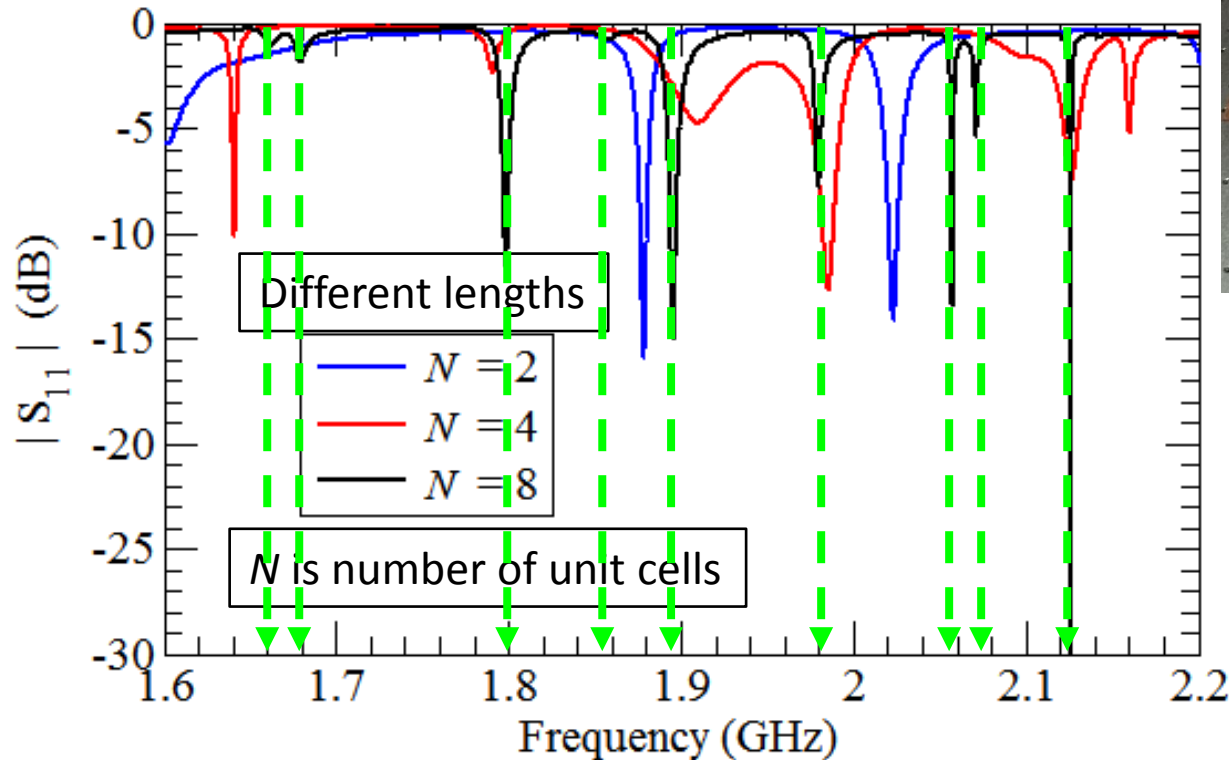
1 port measurement



DBE resonance peak

- Only measuring S_{11} (the end of the waveguide is shorted)
- $|S_{11}| < 0$ dB means coupling to losses in the waveguide

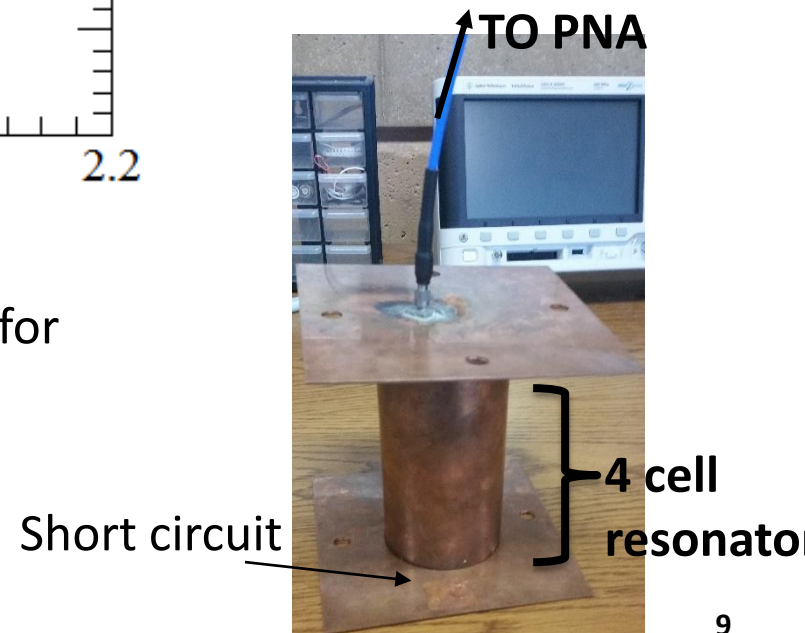
Number of resonances = $N + 1$, N = number of cells

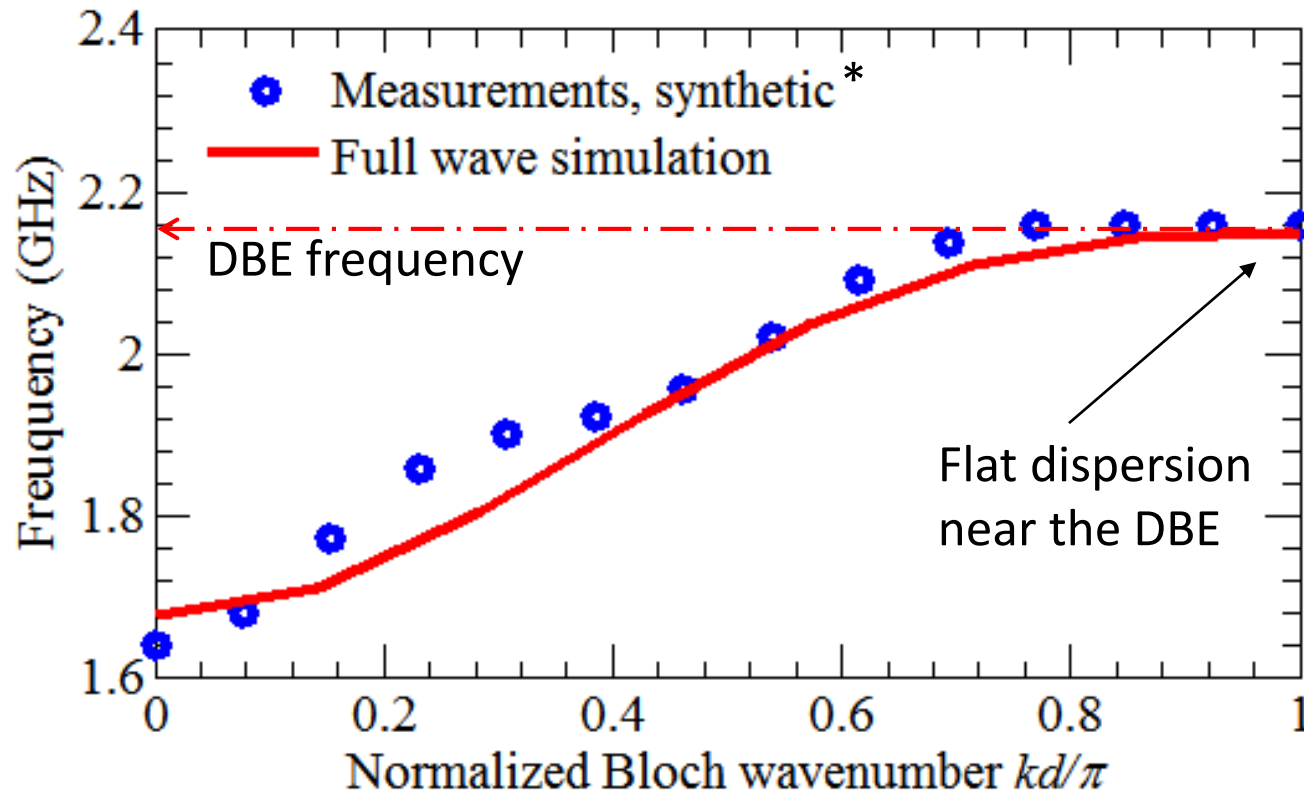


1 port measurement

9 resonances are extracted from measurements for the 8 cell resonator

- Resonance frequencies are used to synthesize the dispersion relation of the periodic waveguide





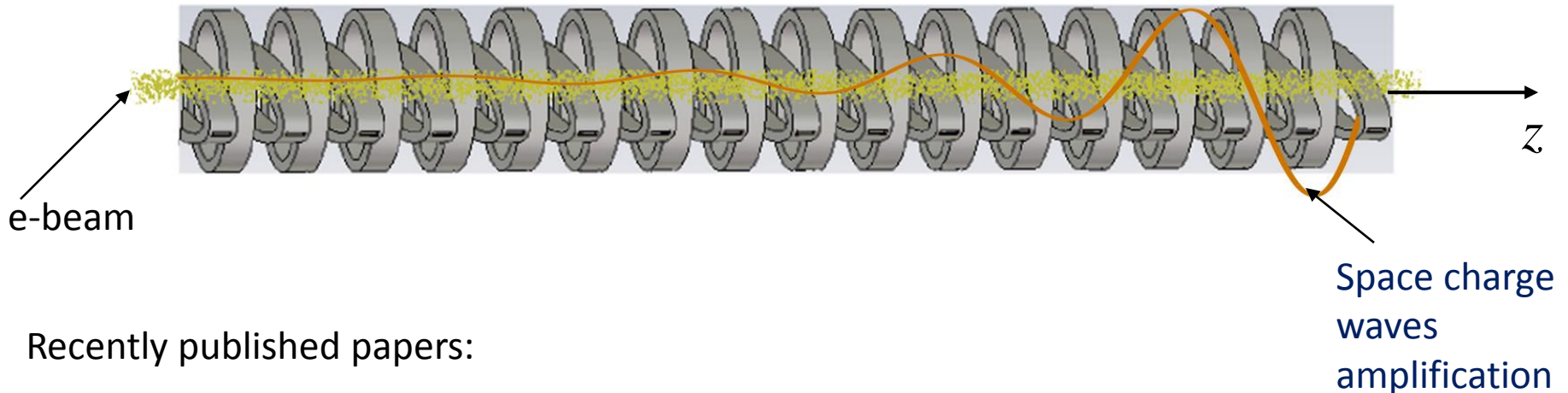
1 port measurement

- Good agreement between full-wave simulations (CST) and measurements
- Other measurements (quality factor, delay, etc) have been also carried out, confirming the existence of DBE

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Coupled Transmission Lines (CTL) formalism*

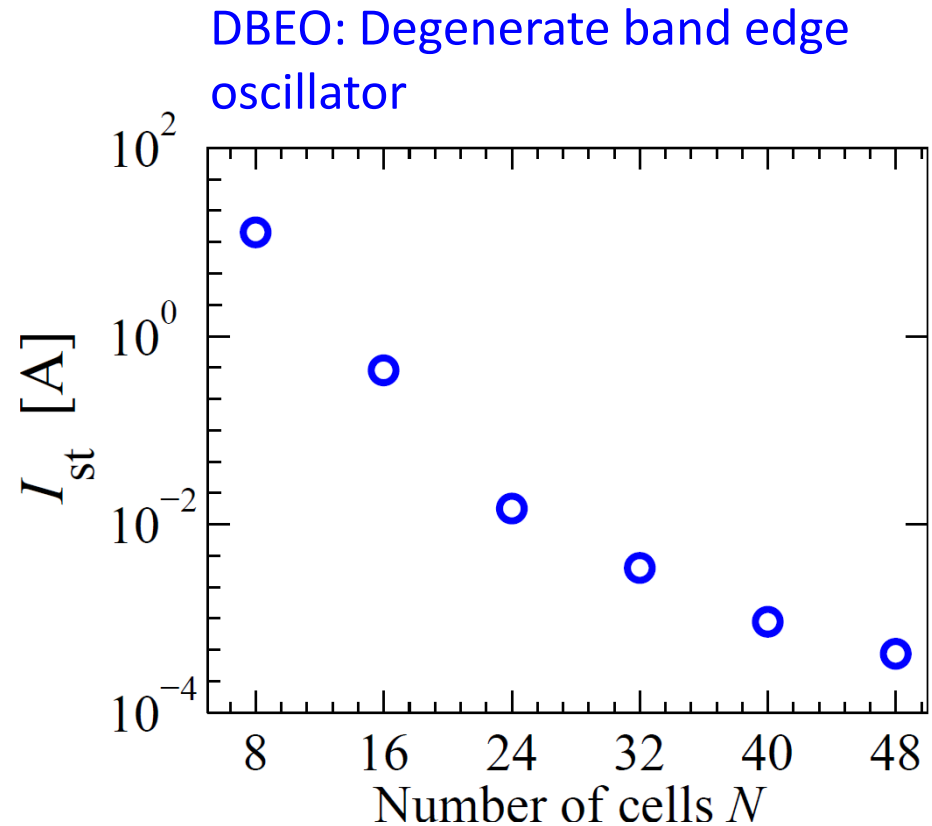
- ❑ At DBE, four degenerate modes interact (synchronized) with the electron beam
- ❑ The interactive system can be modeled using generalized Pierce theory [1–3]. DBE is associated with giant gain and low-start current



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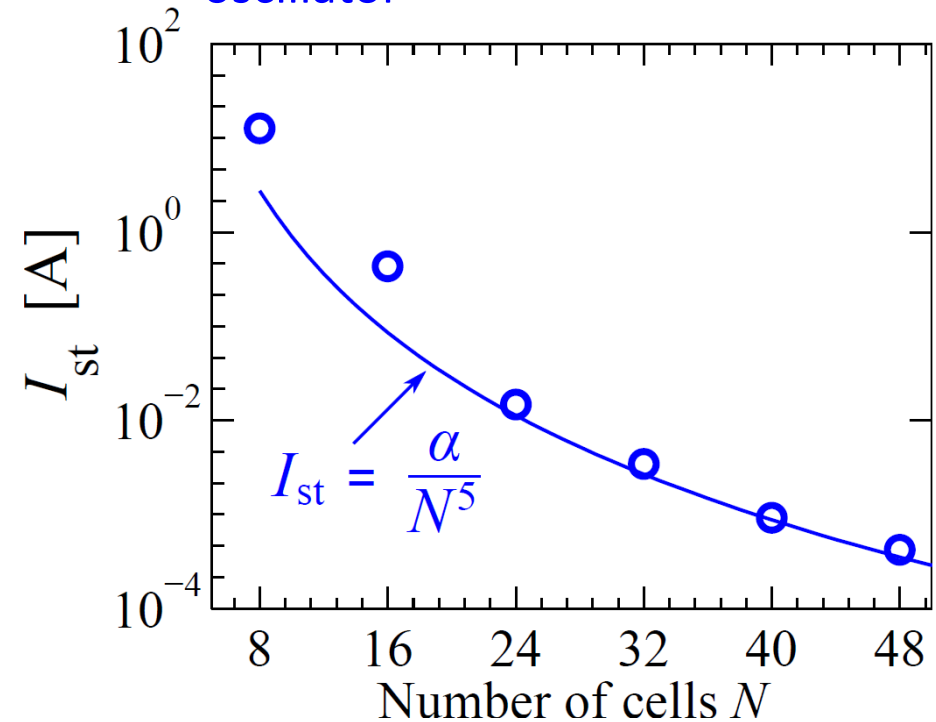


- ❑ The starting oscillation current I_{st} decreases with increasing DBEO length

- ❑ Scales as

$$I_{st} = \frac{\alpha}{N^5}, \quad N : \text{number of unit cells}$$

DBEO: Degenerate band edge oscillator



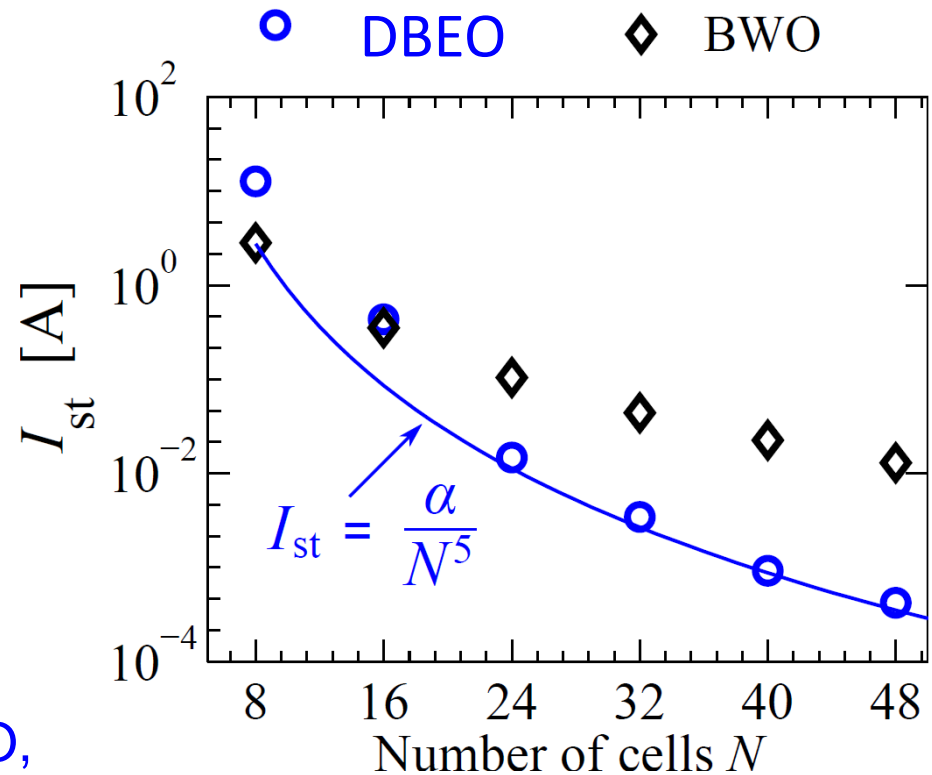
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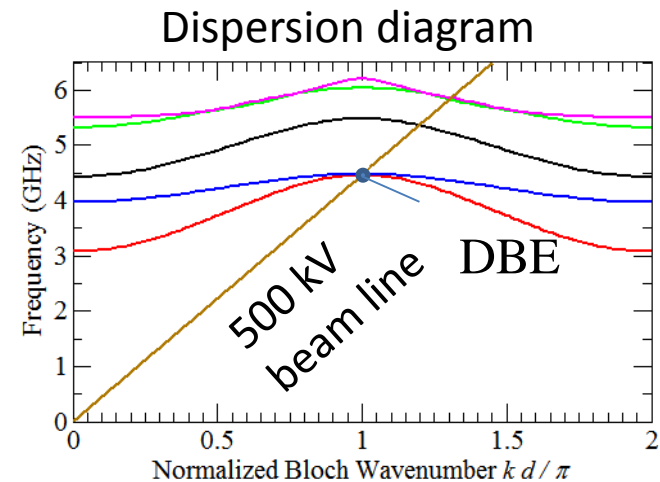
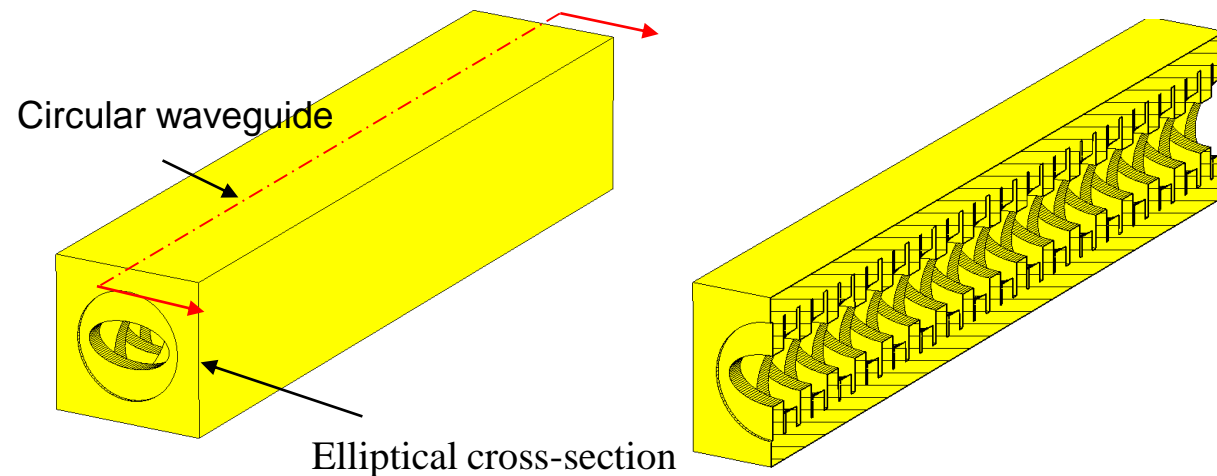
- ❑ Compared to the conventional BWO, DBEO has lower starting current and better scaling

$$I_{st}(\text{BWO}) \propto \frac{1}{N^3}, \quad N: \text{number of unit cells}$$

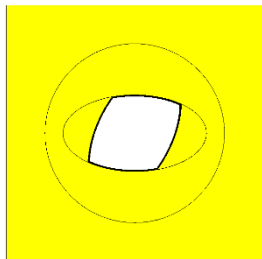


SWS 1 : Periodic “corrugated” waveguide with elliptical cross sections

- ❑ A unit cell consisting of circular waveguide loaded with two irises of elliptical shape
- ❑ Elliptical irises are misaligned with angle φ
- ❑ Similar to corrugated waveguides, except the corrugation's cross-sections are elliptic

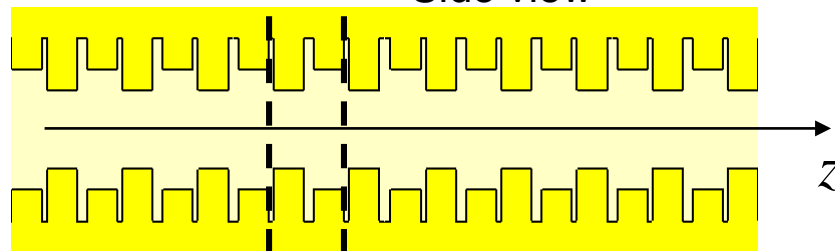


Cross-section



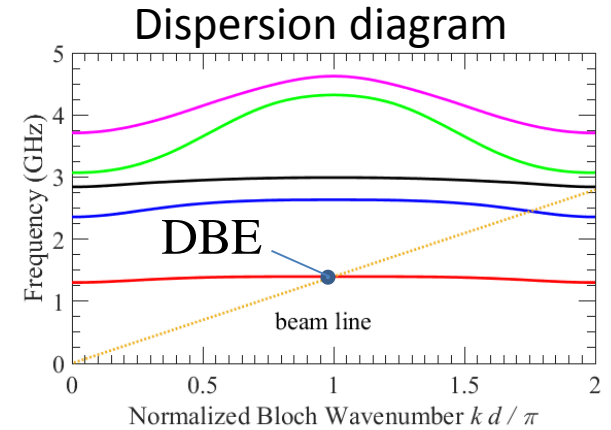
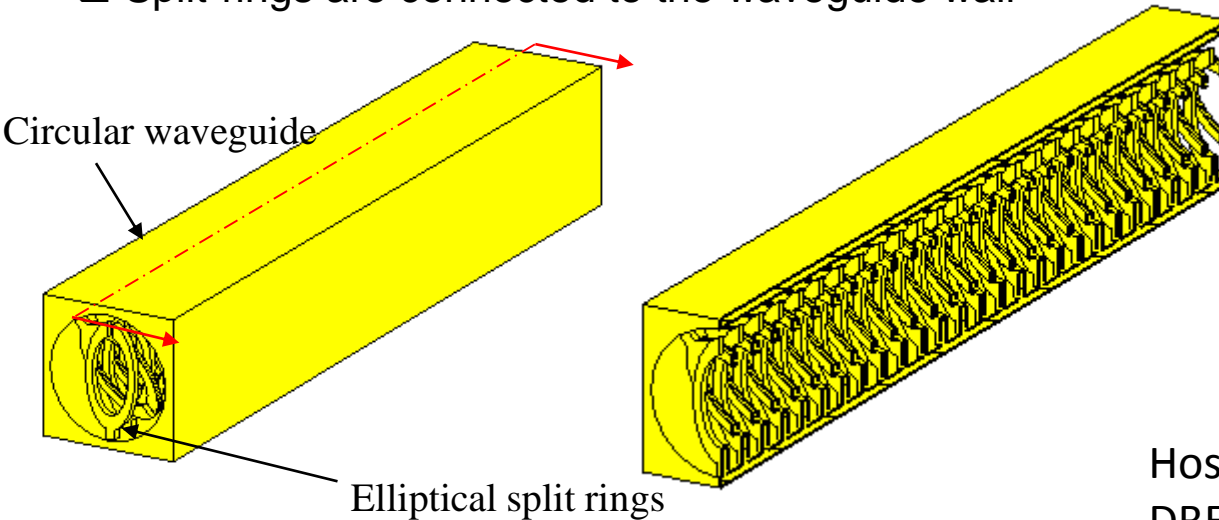
Period d

Side view



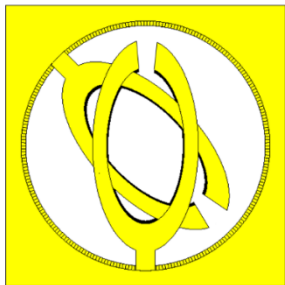
SWS 2 : Periodic waveguide with split-ring loading

- ❑ A unit cell consisting of circular waveguide loaded with two coupled split-rings
- ❑ Circular or elliptical split-rings
- ❑ Split-rings are connected to the waveguide wall



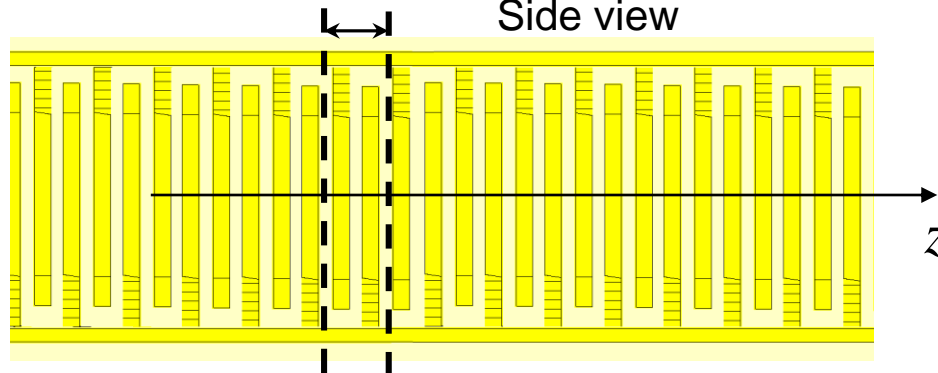
Host waveguide operates below cutoff
DBE frequency ~ 1.2 GHz

Cross-section



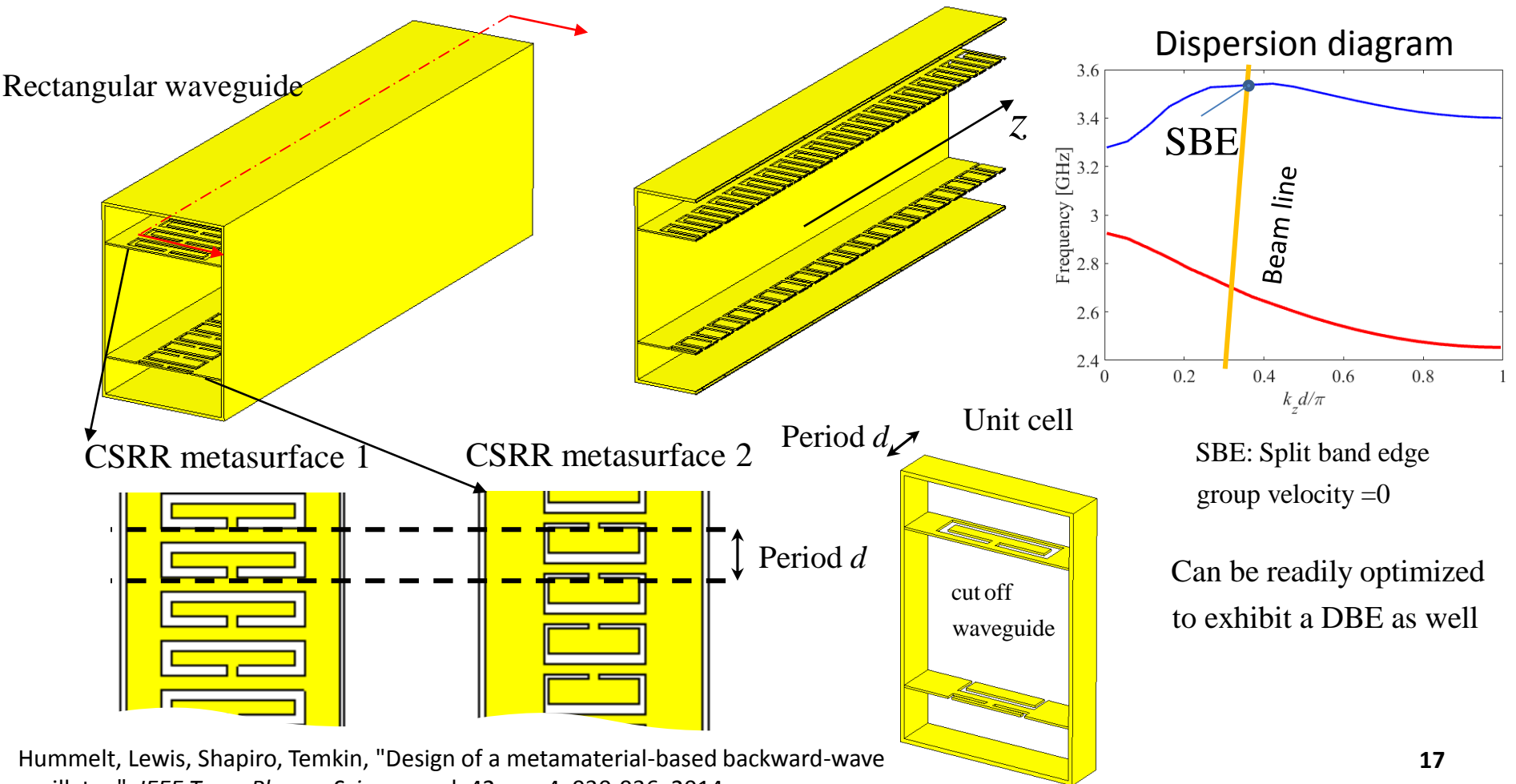
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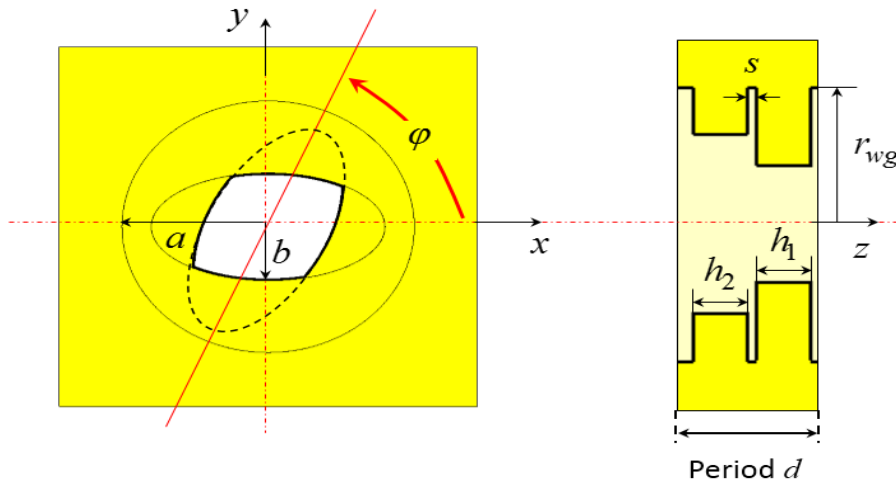
Side view



SWS 3 : Rectangular waveguide loaded with coupled CSRR metasurfaces

- ❑ A unit cell consisting of rectangular waveguide loaded with two metasurfaces
- ❑ Two coupled metasurfaces are implemented with Complimentary Split Ring Resonators (CSRR)
- ❑ There is asymmetry between the two metasurfaces (shape+longitudinal offset)





Yellow: metal

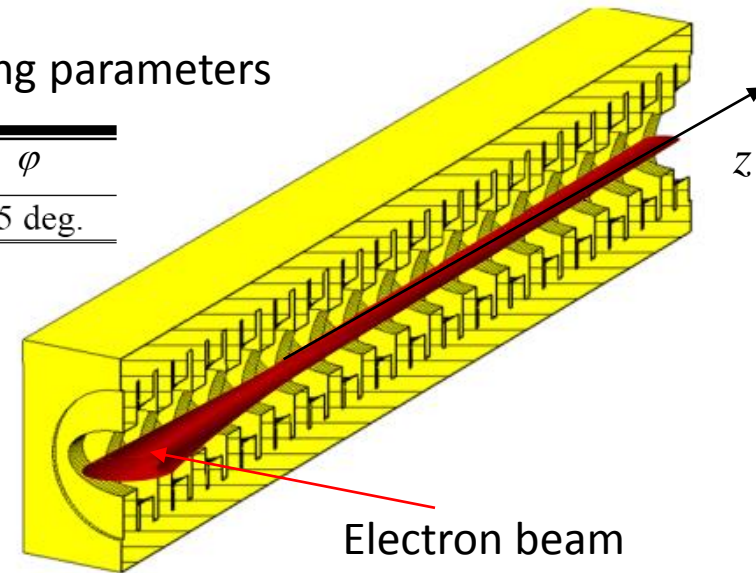
r_{wg} : circular waveguide radius, d : period,
 a : elliptical iris major radius
 b : elliptical iris minor radius
 φ : misalignment angle, h : iris thickness
 s : separation between irises

The structure is designed to exhibit a DBE for the following parameters

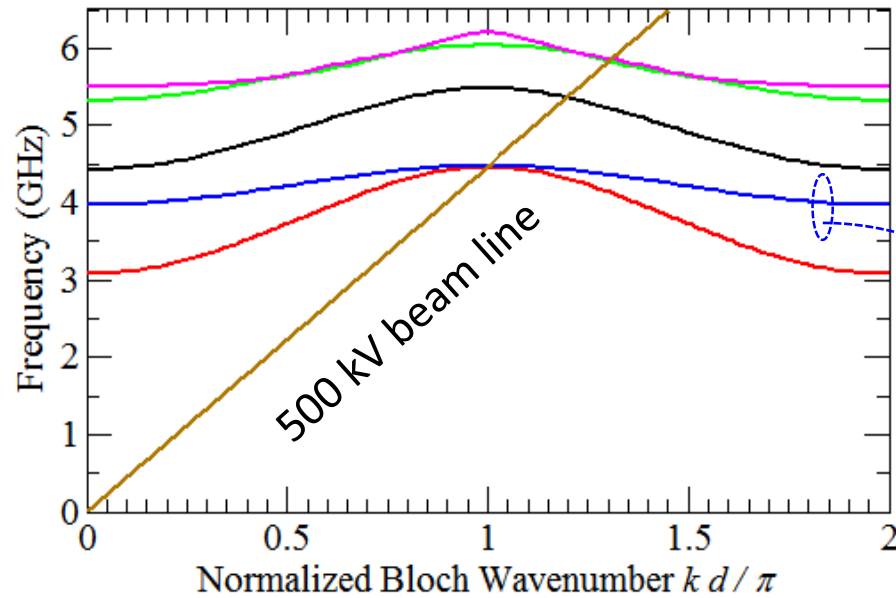
r_{wg}	d	h_1	h_2	a	b	φ
33 mm	30 mm	15 mm	3 mm	33 mm	18 mm	45 deg.

DBE frequency ~ 4.5 GHz

- Elliptical cross sections support two polarizations
- Modes are coupled periodically
- DBE, and other degeneracy conditions can be achieved

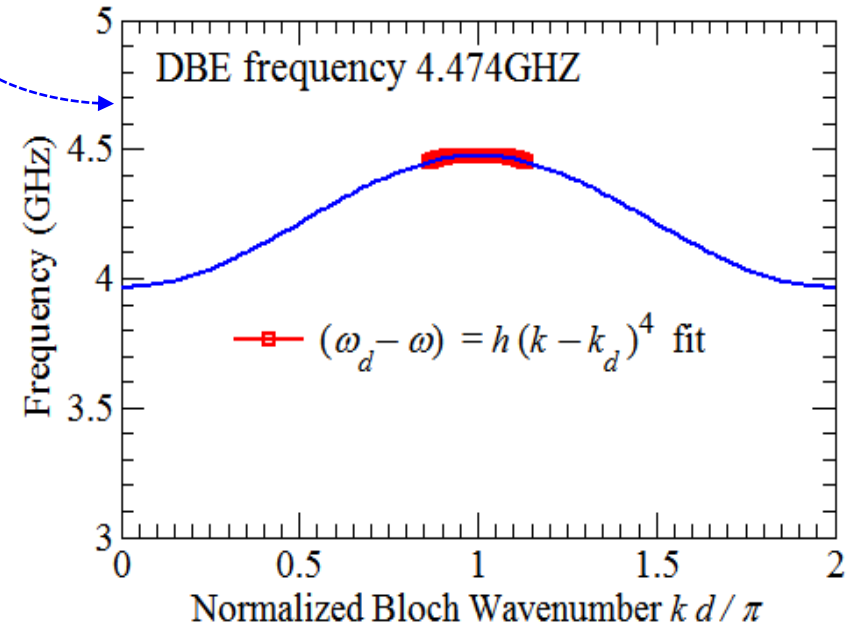


Dispersion relation

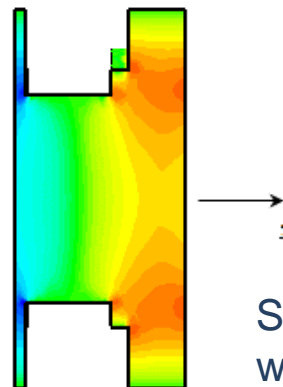
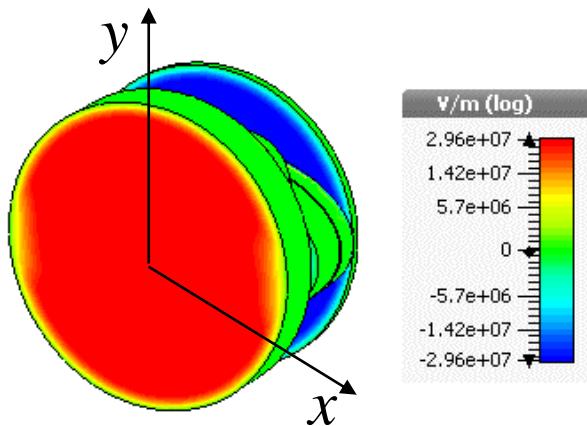


The DBE mode is designed to have a higher interaction impedance than the lower order mode

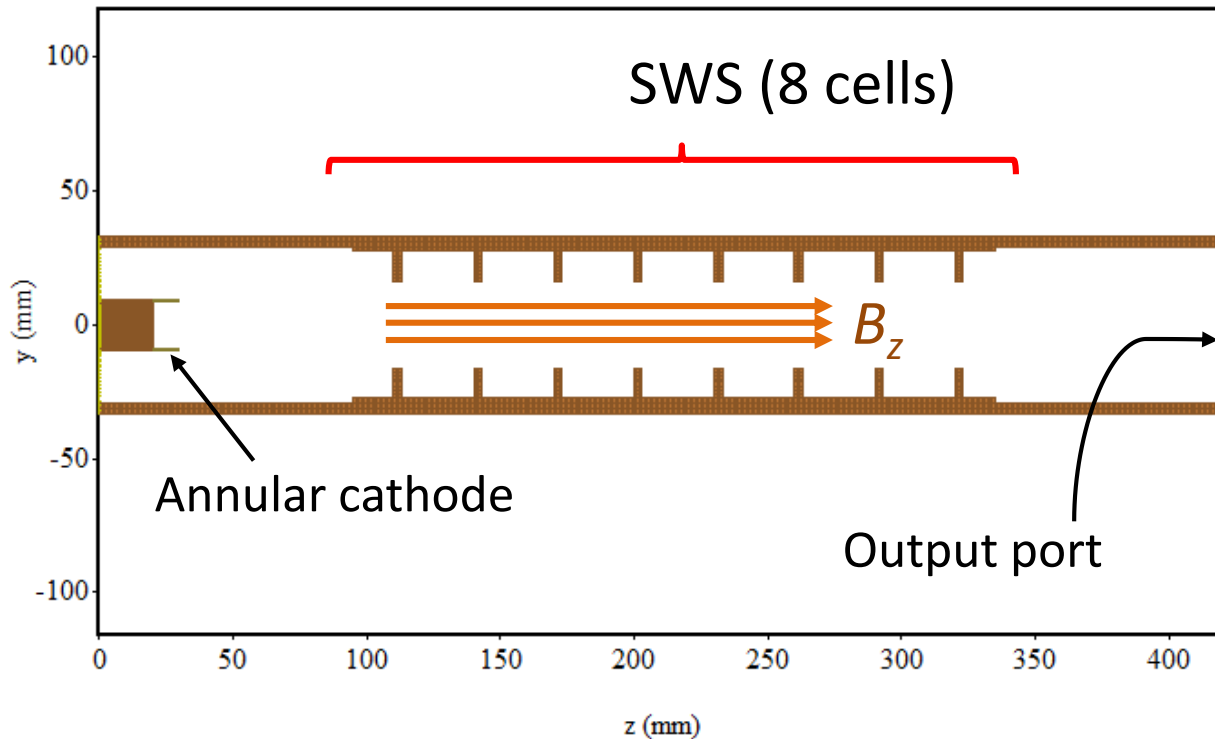
DBE mode (blue curve)



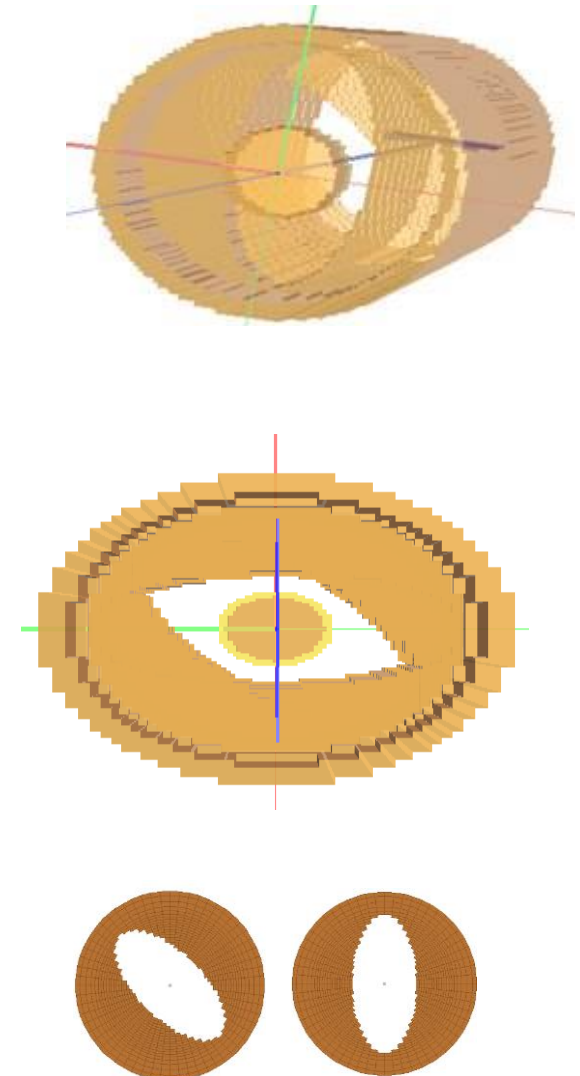
Electric field E_z component distribution of DBE mode



Strong E_z component on the waveguide axis

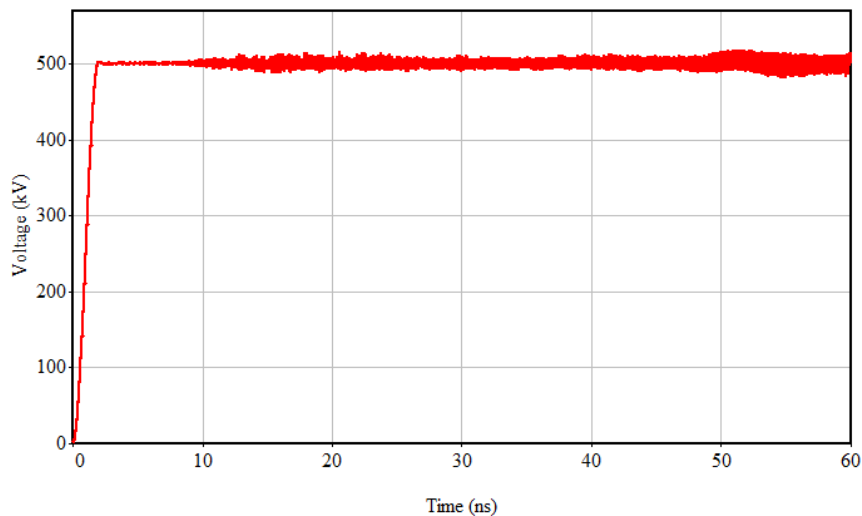


Simulation Parameters	
Cathode Radius	1 cm
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Applied Voltage	500 kV
Voltage Rise-Time	2 ns
Magnetic Field	3 T

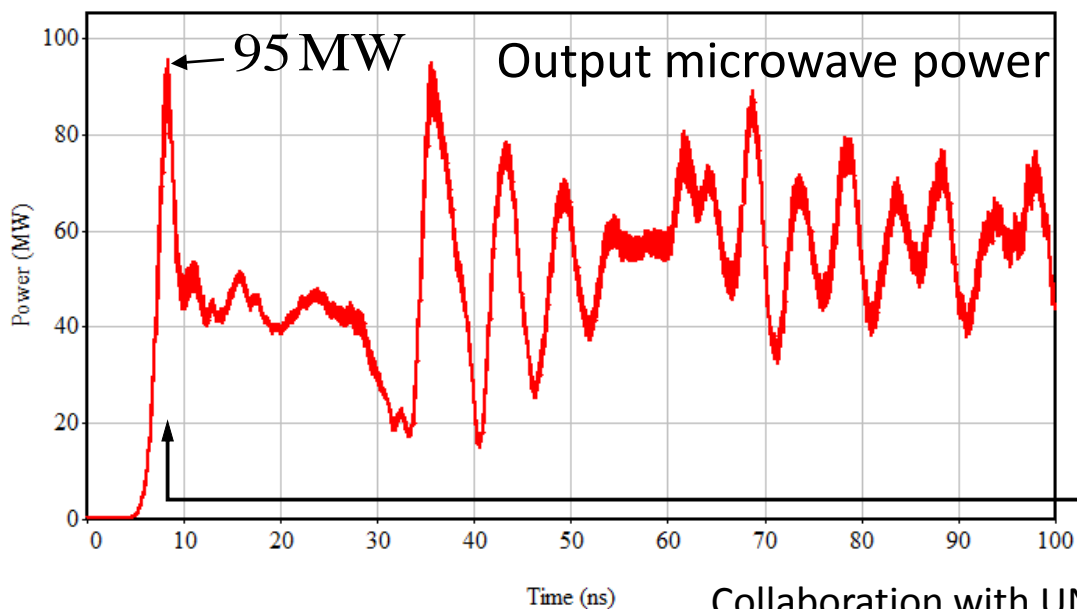
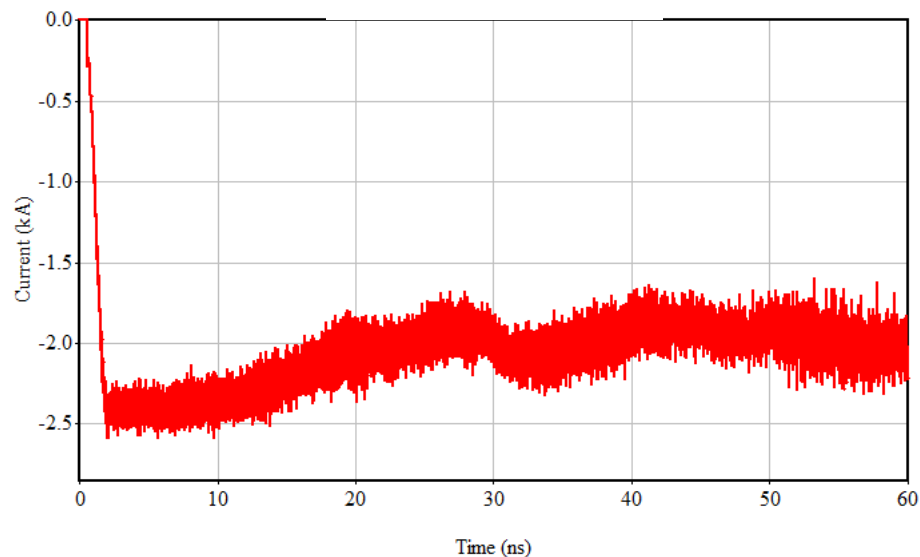


Case 1: Constant beam voltage

Beam voltage



Beam current



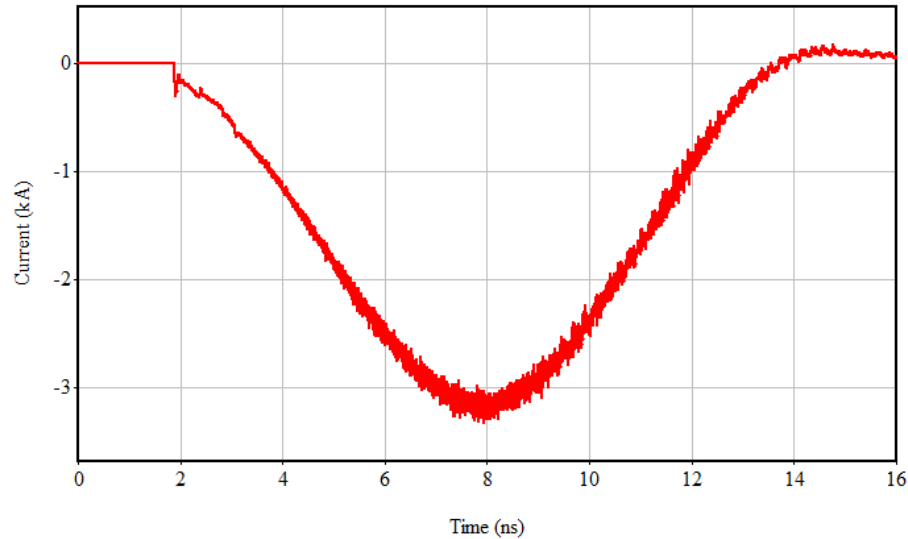
Input beam power ~ 1 GW

Efficiency $\sim 9.5\%$

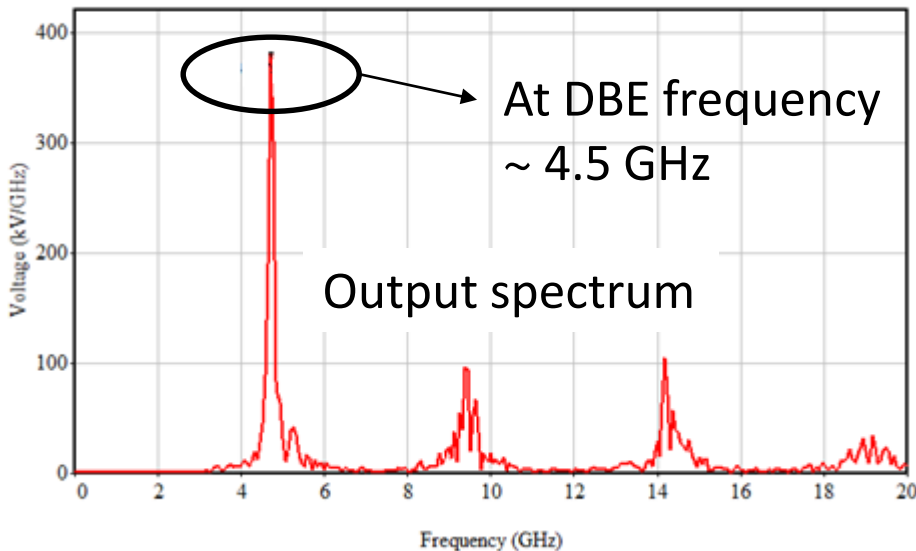
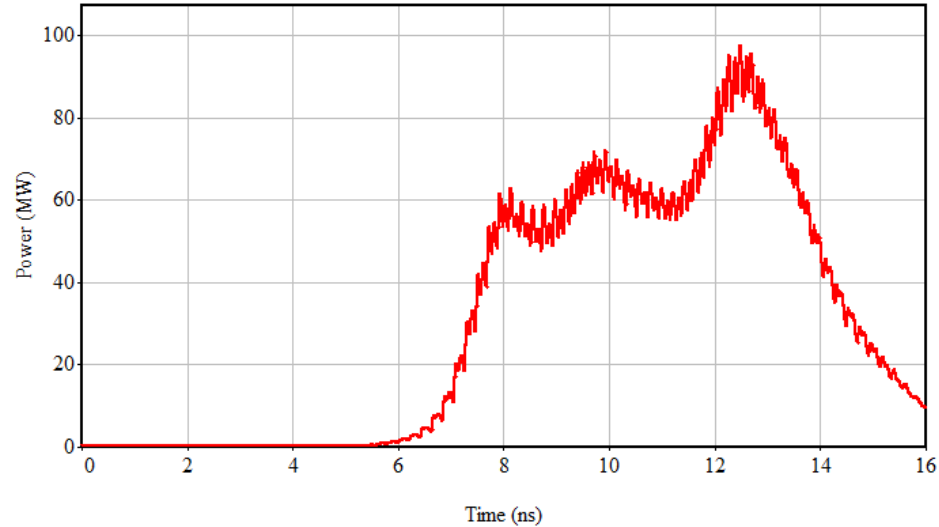
Fast rise time ~ 8 ns

Case 2: 12 ns beam pulse (UNM's SINUS-6)

Beam current pulse



Output power



- ✓ Fast starting of oscillation
- ✓ Will be optimized for power extraction and suppression of higher order modes (this is a first demonstration, it has not been optimized for high power. We have a scheme to do it.)

- ❑ Cold experimental test was performed to demonstrate for the first time DBE in all metallic slow-wave structures
- ❑ Degenerate band edge oscillator was shown to have a lower starting current with better scaling than conventional backward wave oscillator
- ❑ We have shown that DBE can be obtained in various metallic loaded waveguides including metamaterial-based SWSs (based on MIT design)
- ❑ Preliminary PIC simulations demonstrated fast rise time for the DBEO

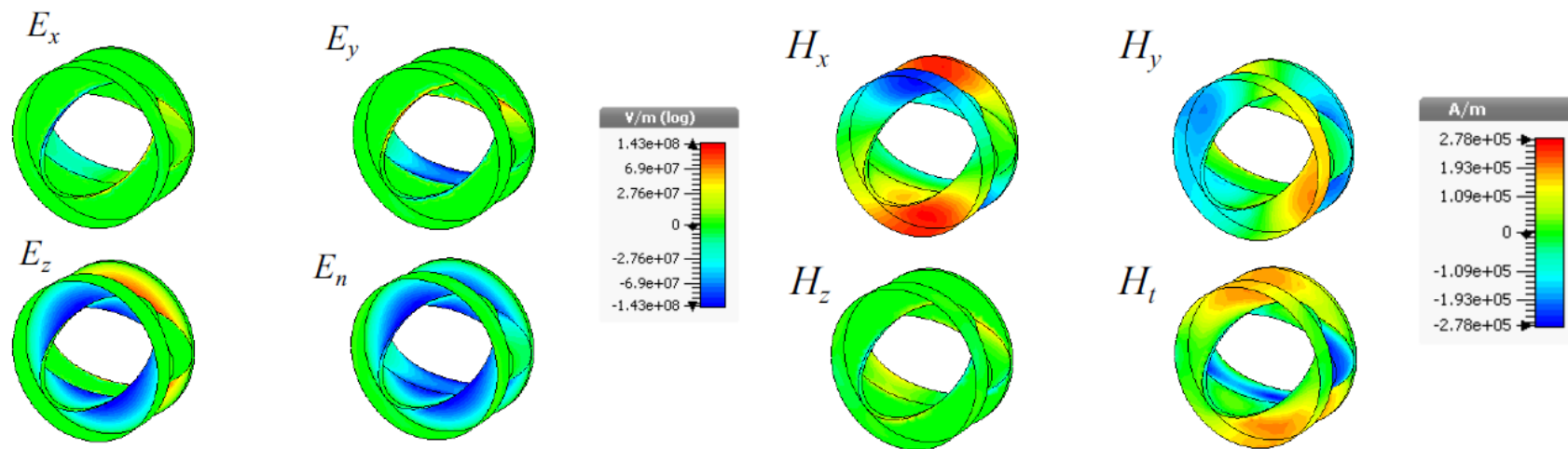
Future work

- ❑ Optimize potential DBE structures using PIC codes (MAGIC + CST Particle Studio) for high power applications
- ❑ Optimize power extraction to improve efficiency (for low beam current)
- ❑ Investigate gain/loss balance scheme to maintain the DBE with high power beam in a pulse-compression-based operation (with beam as switch)

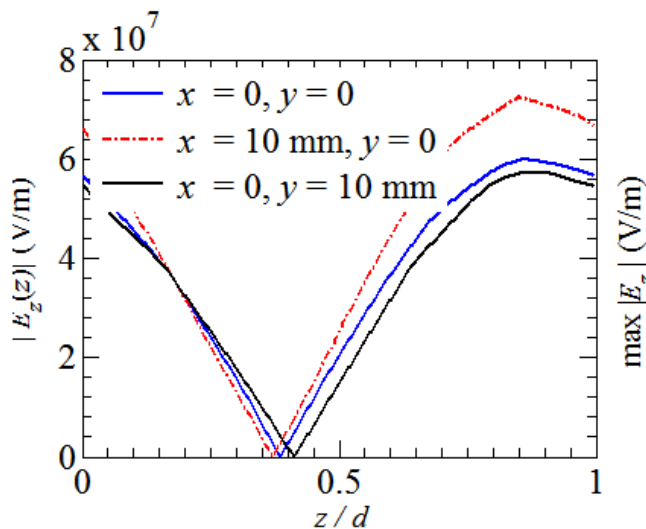
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Auxiliary slides

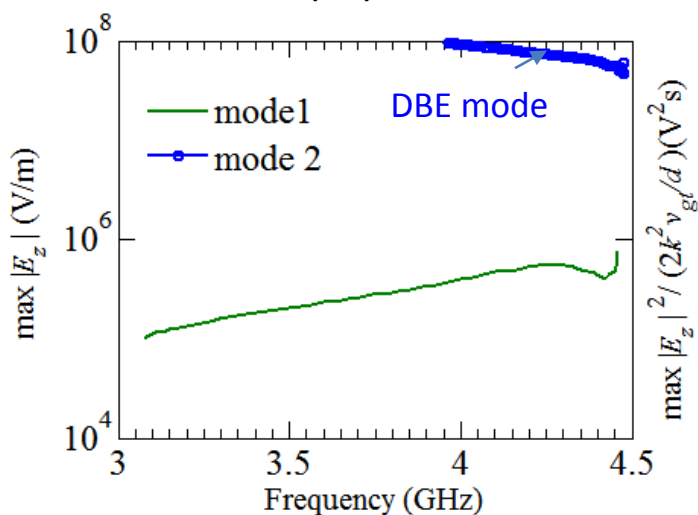
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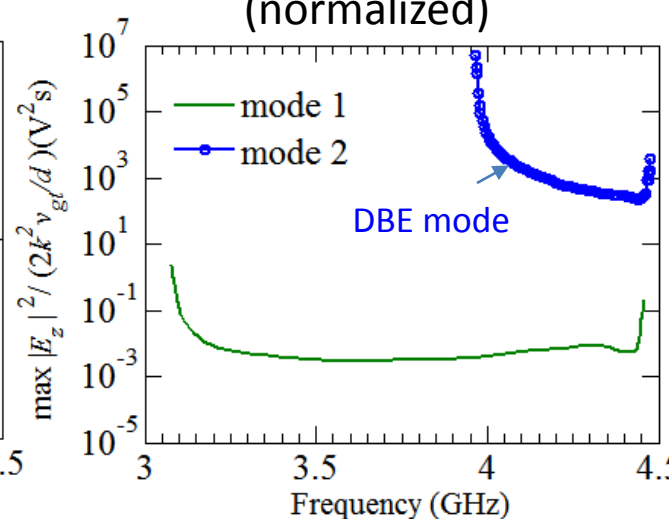
Distribution of E_z



max(E_z) on axis

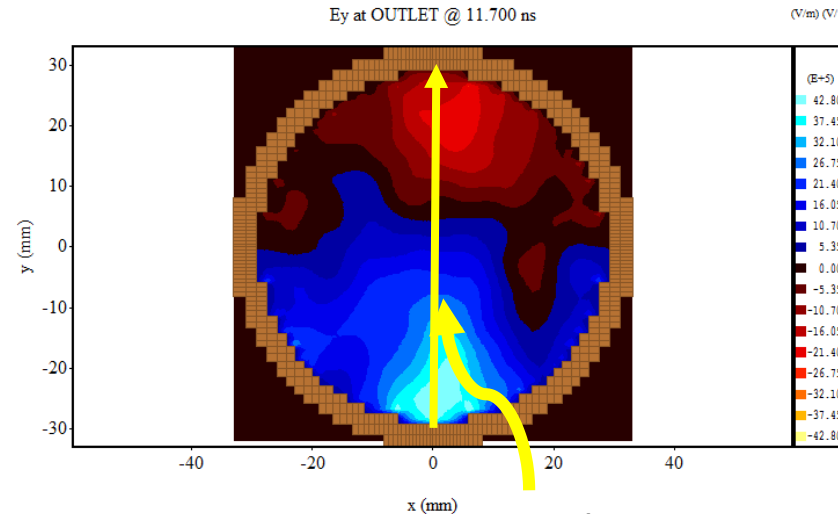


interaction impedance (normalized)

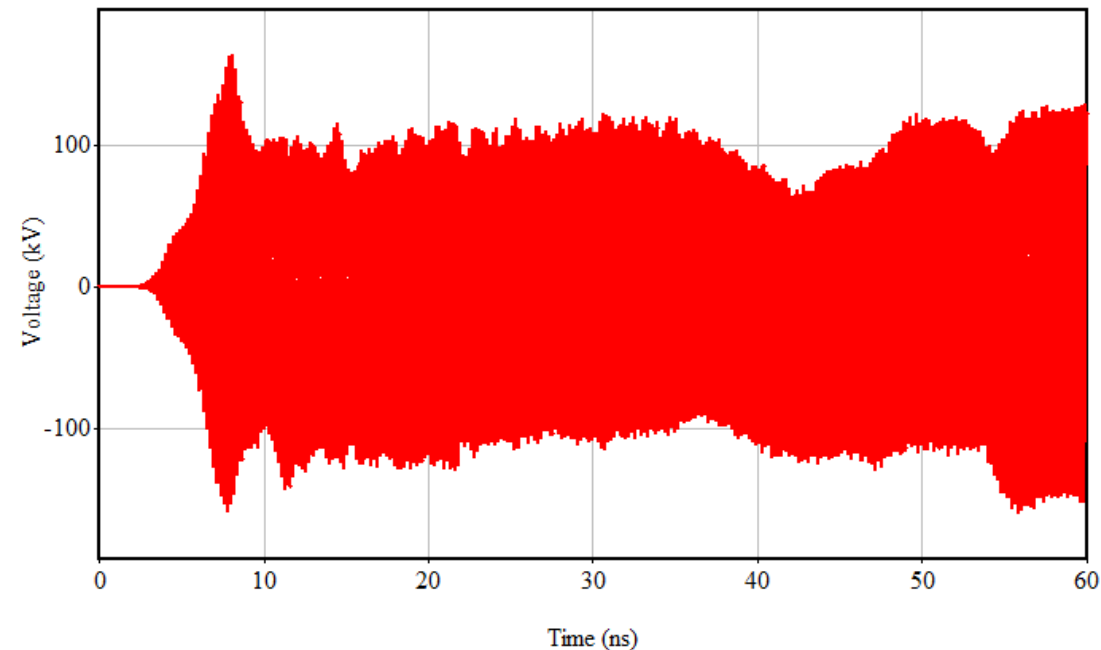


MAGIC PIC simulation: output voltage

$$V_{out} = - \int_{line} \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l}$$

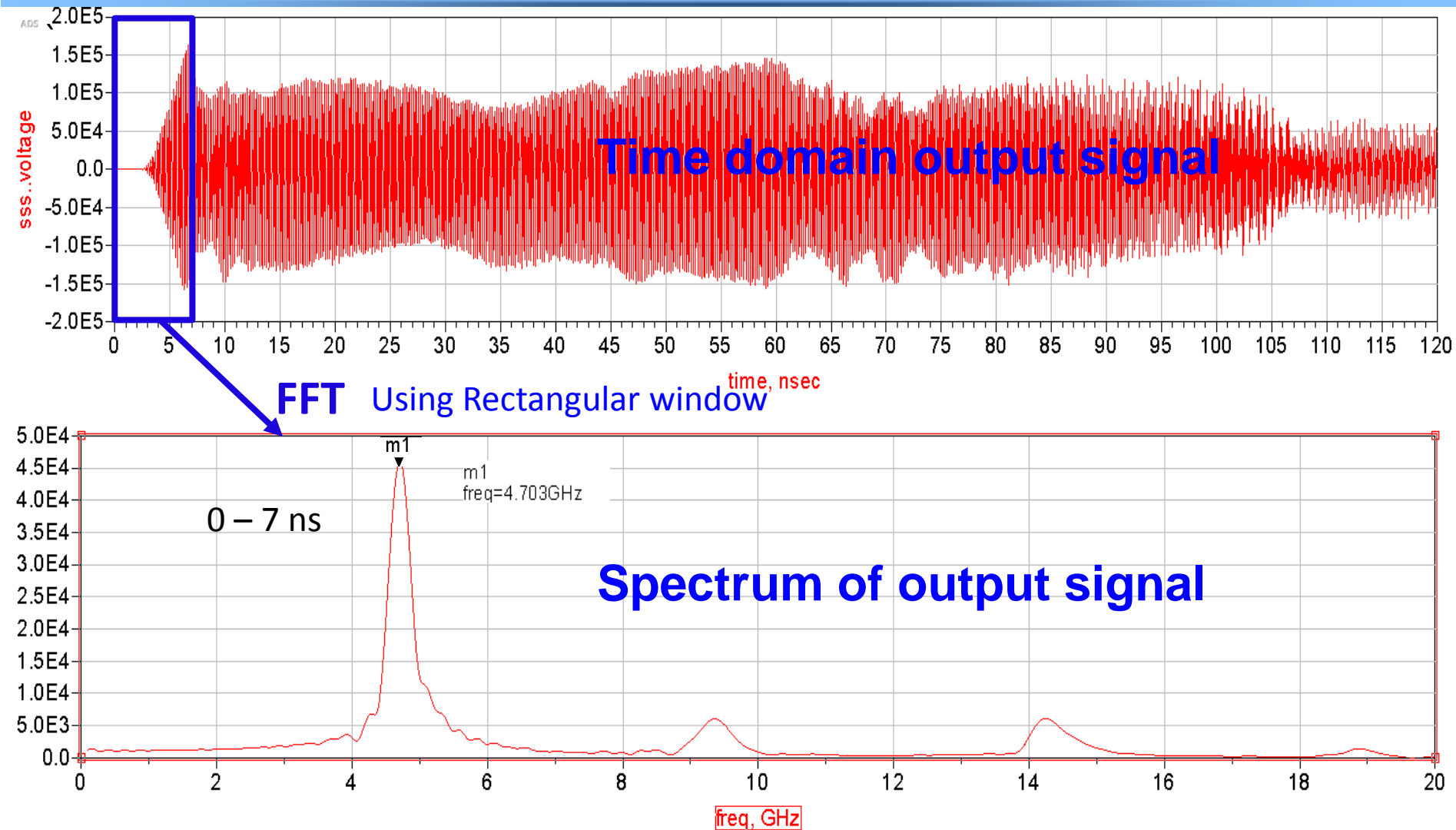


Field Integral E.DL at E_FIELD



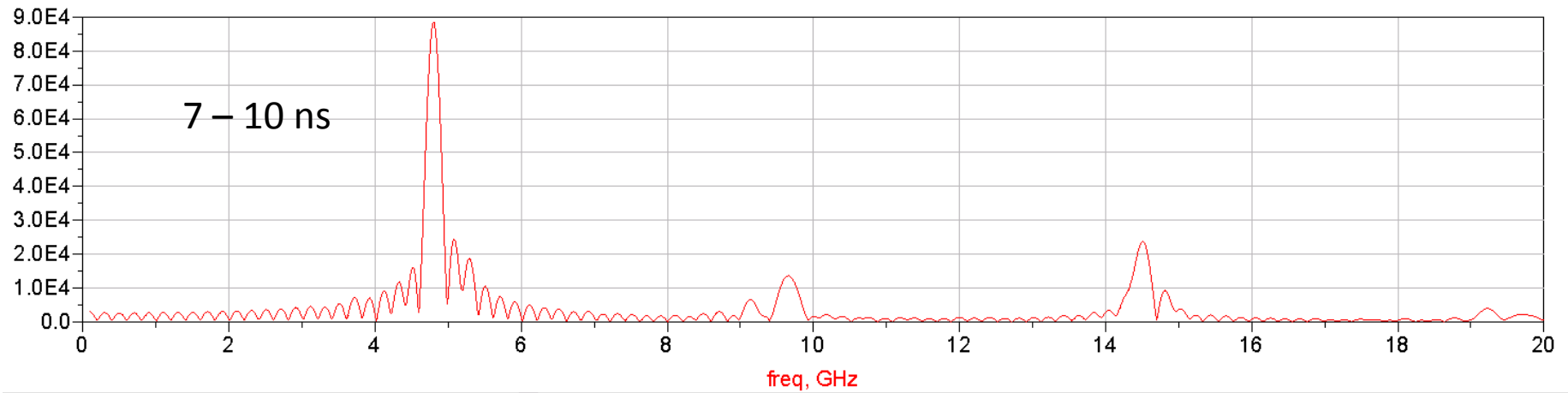
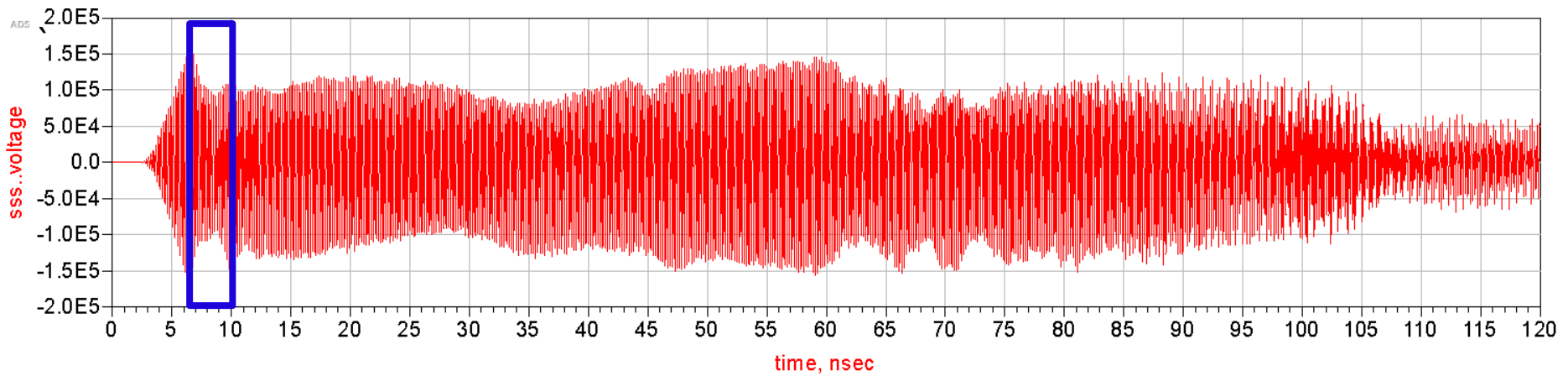
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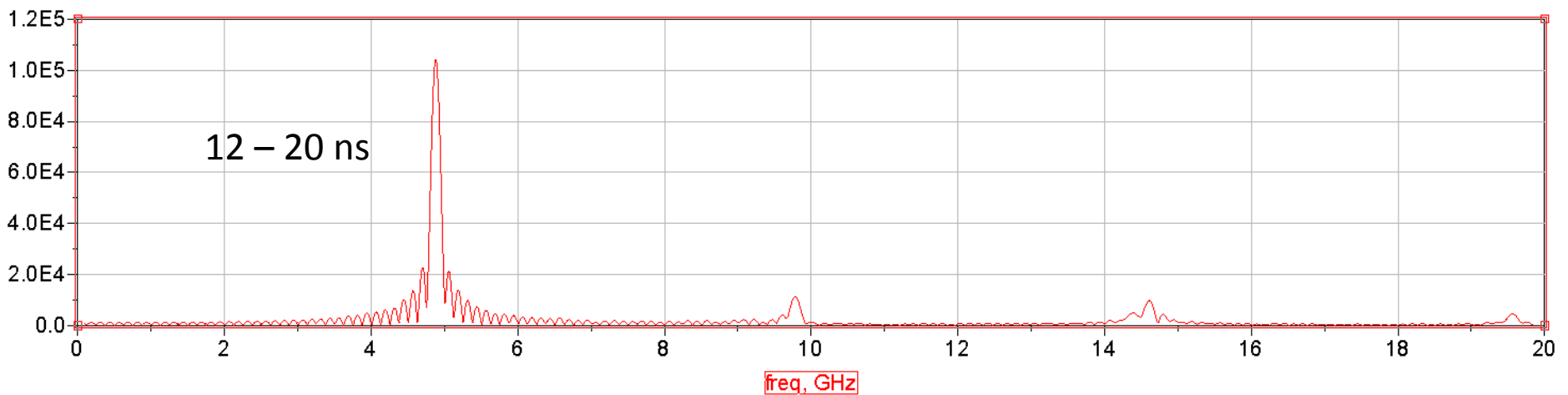
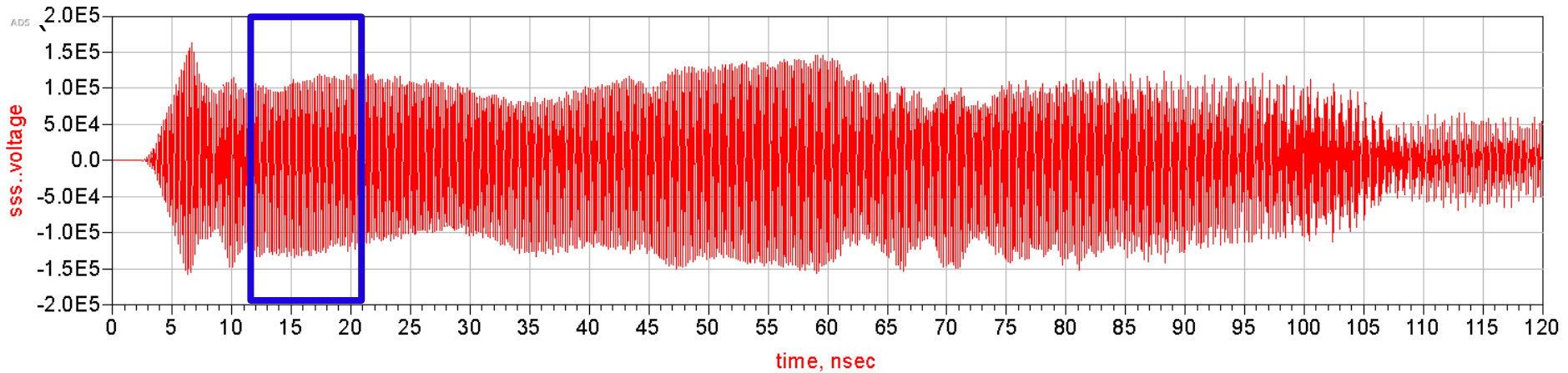
Voltage Spectrum [KV/GHz]

Windowed Fourier transform



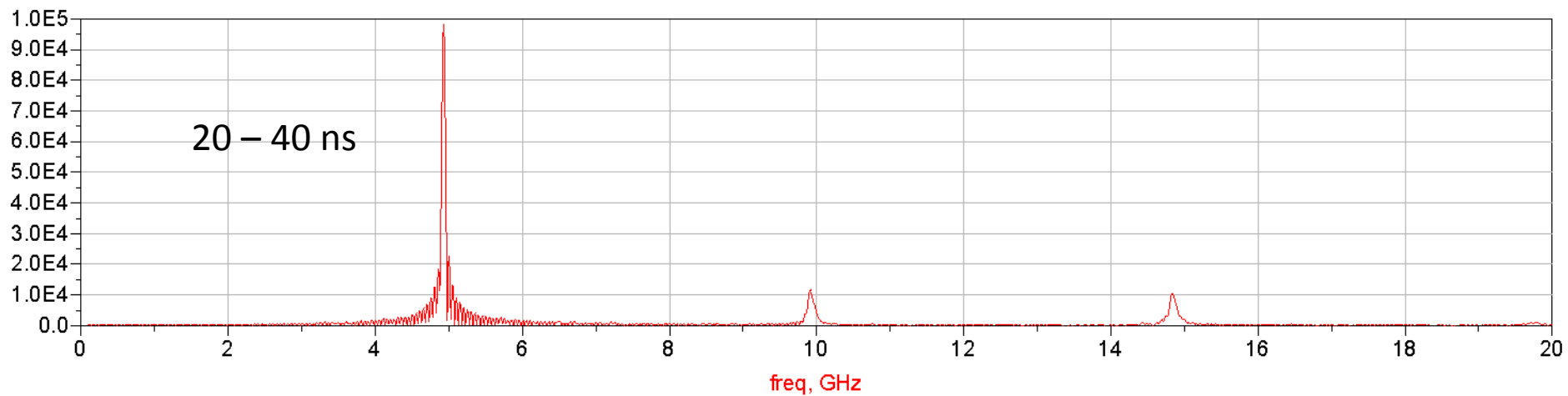
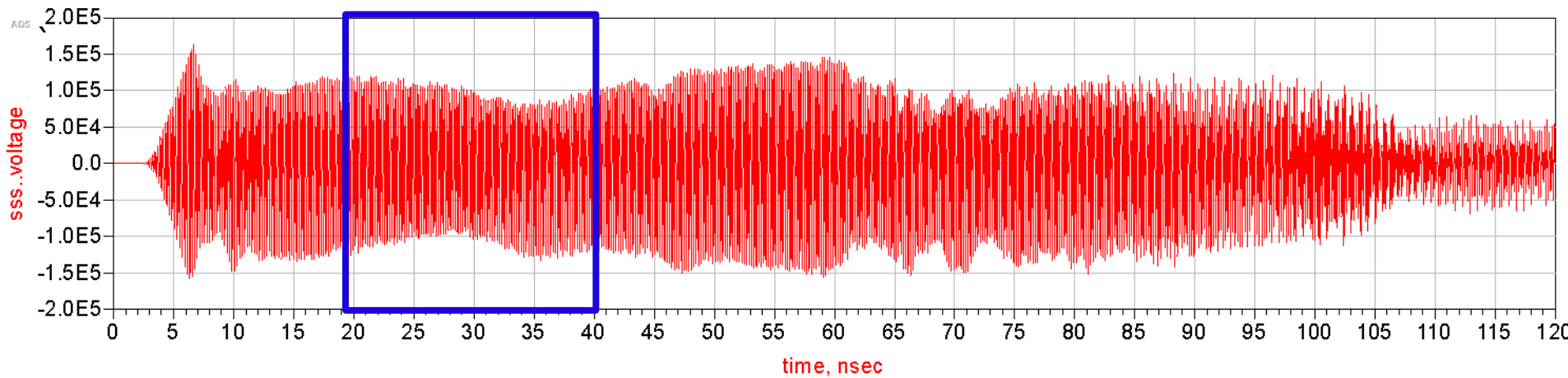
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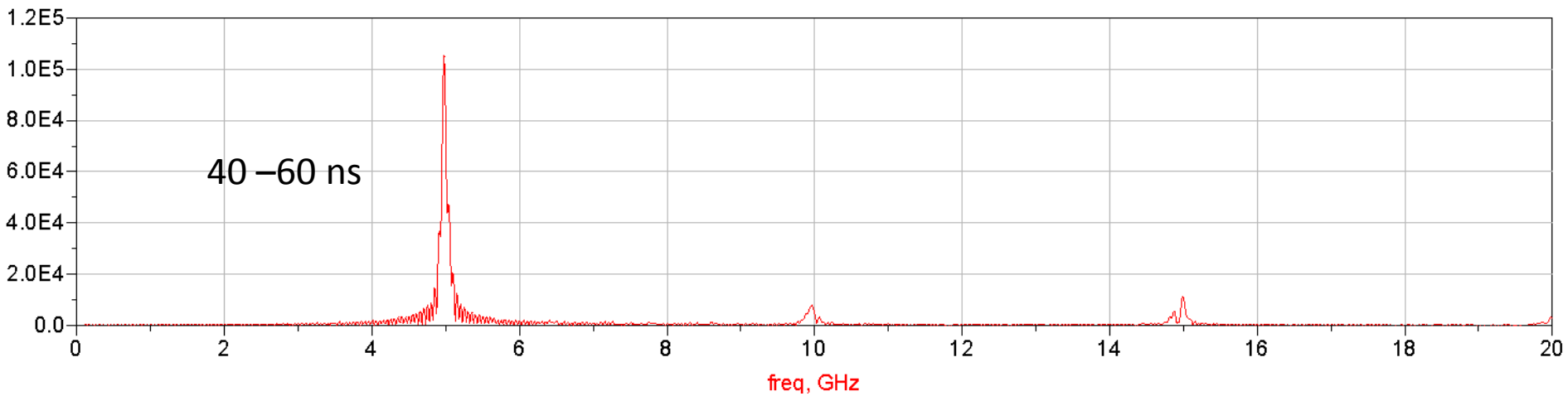
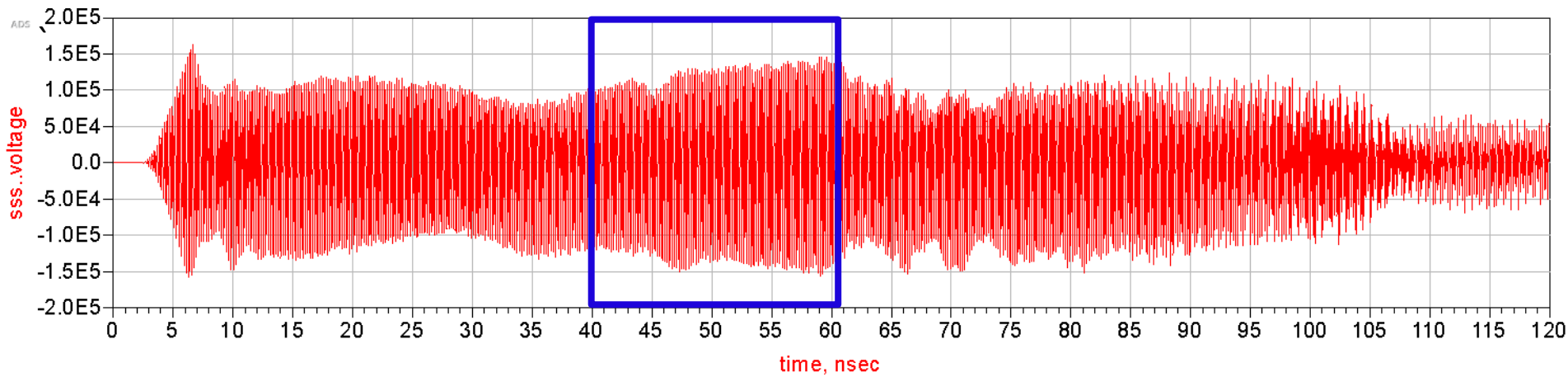
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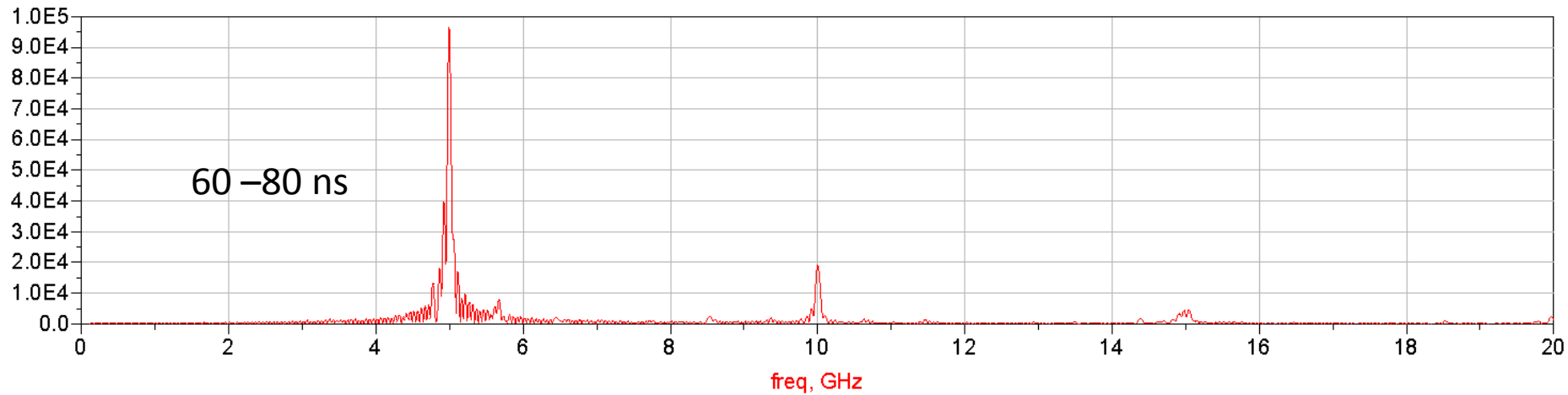
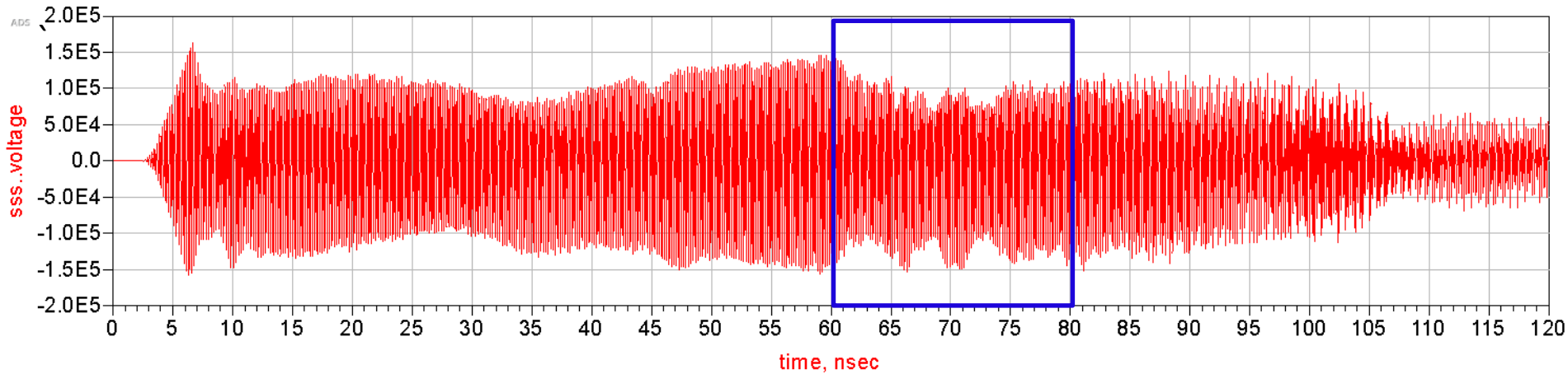


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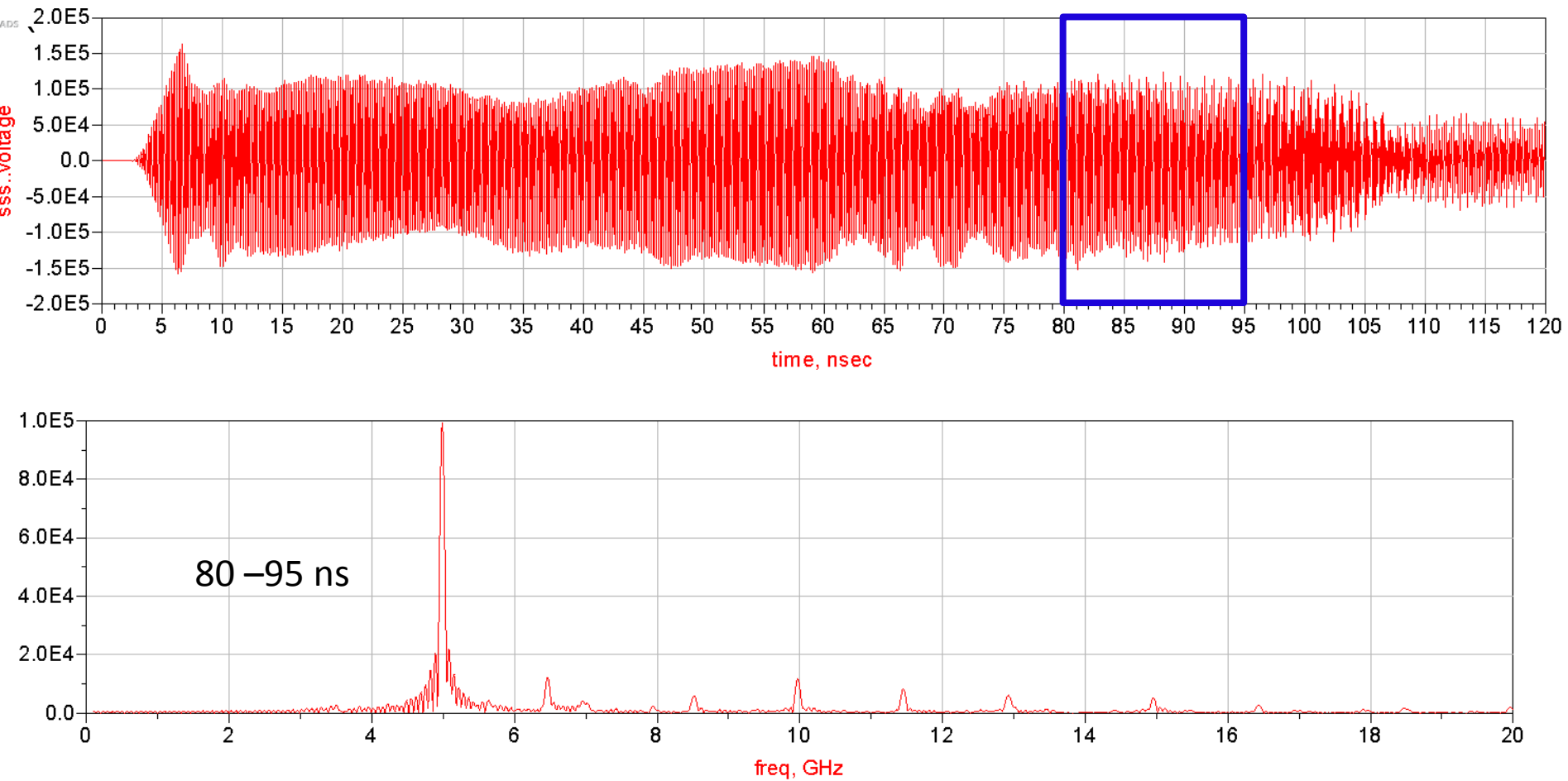


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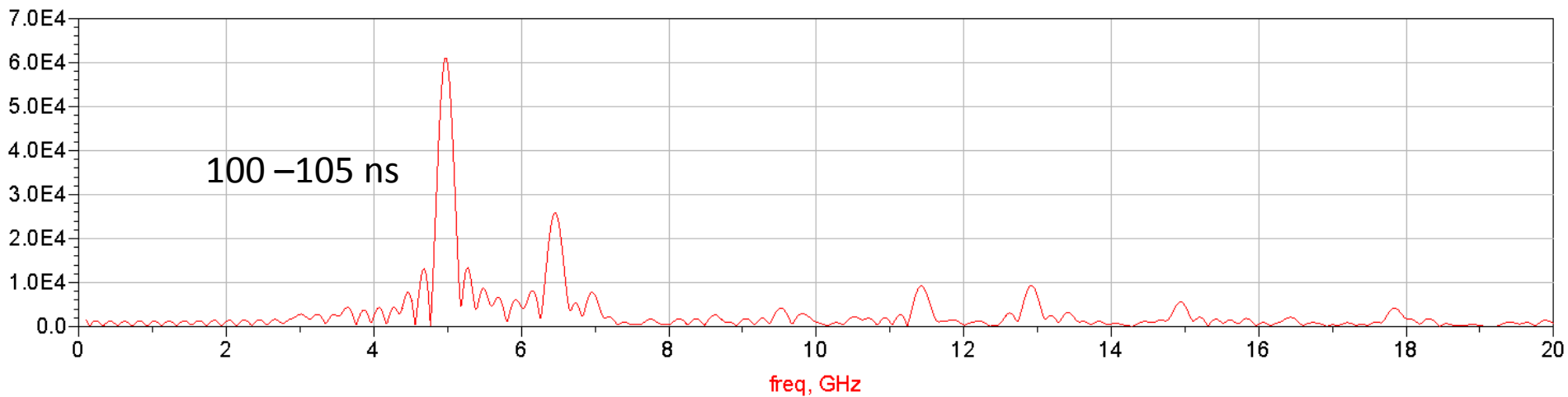
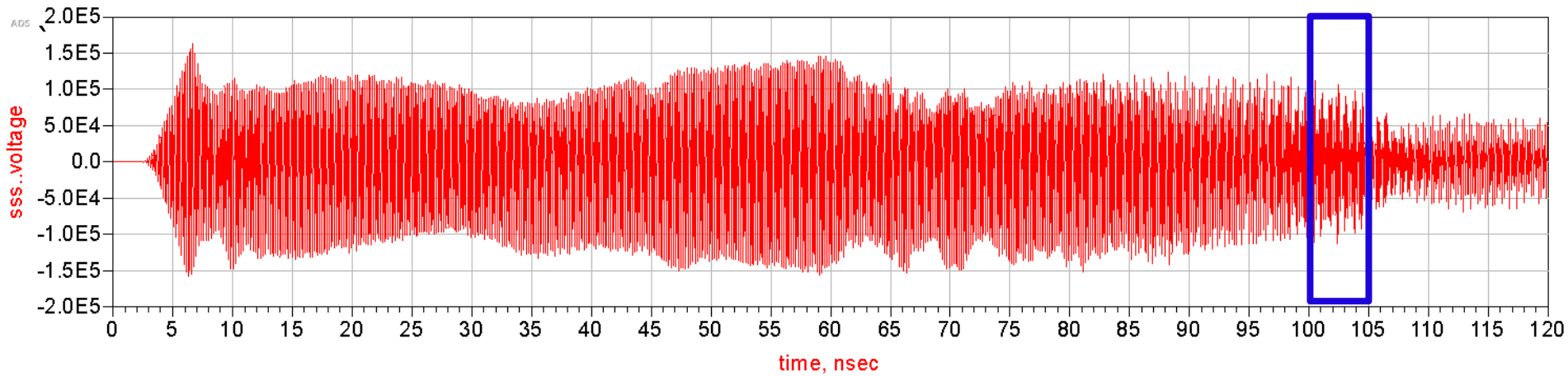
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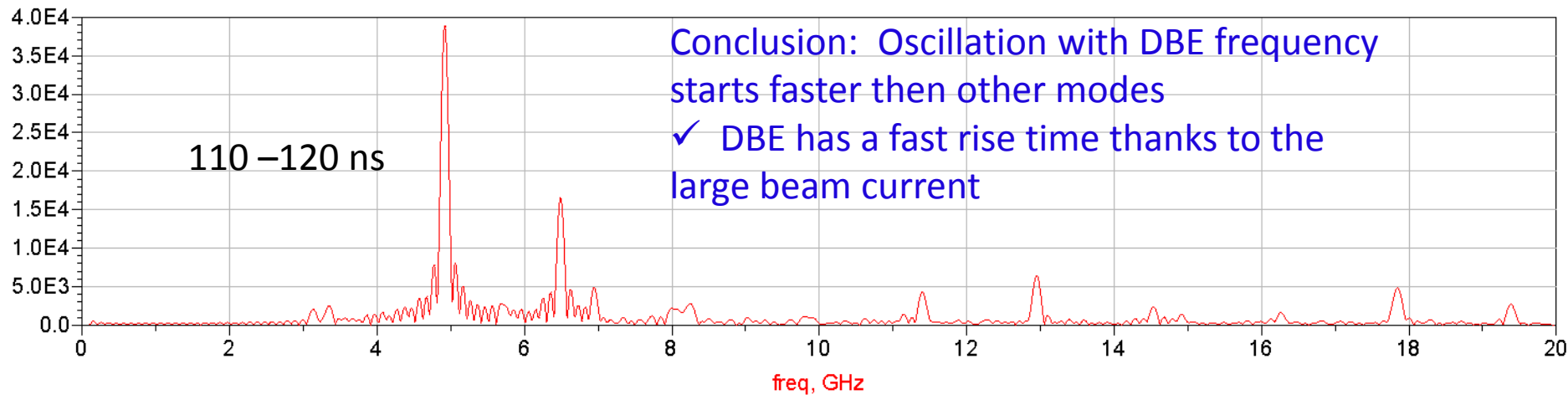
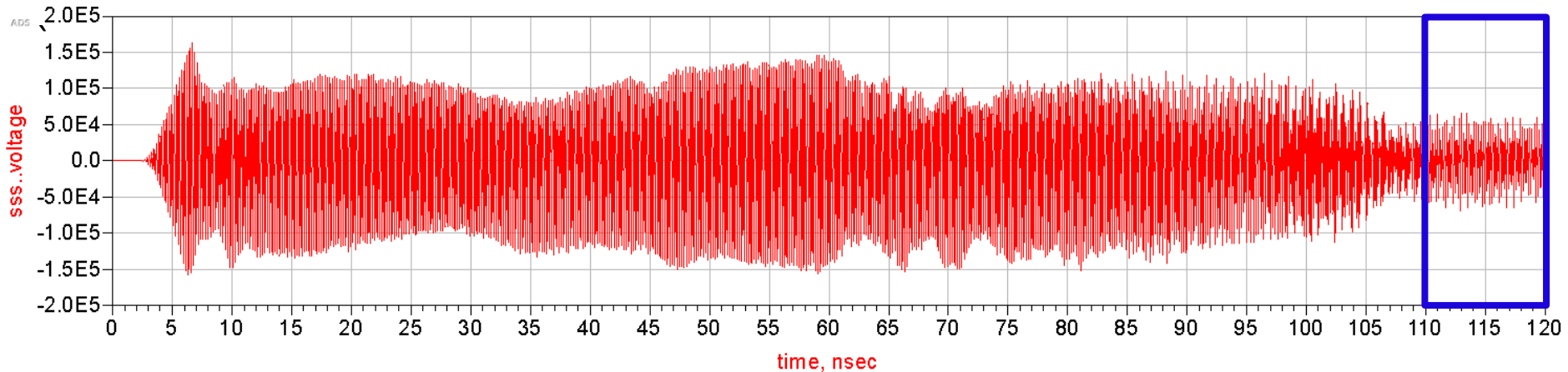
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