



Multi-task Bayesian optimization of laser-plasma accelerators

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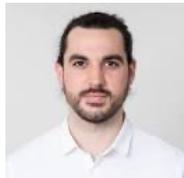
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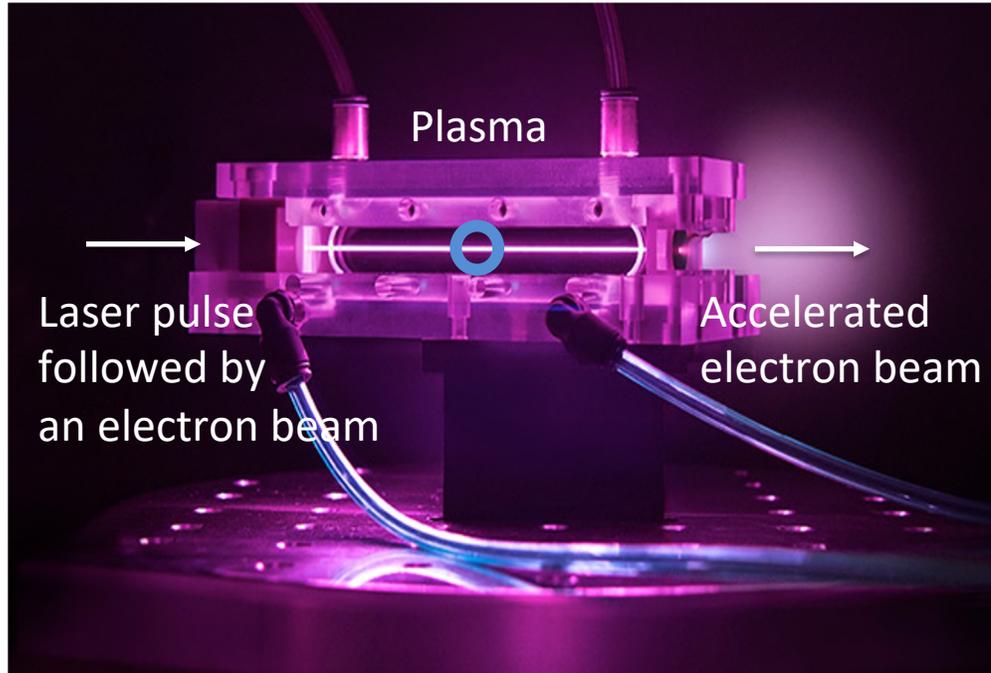
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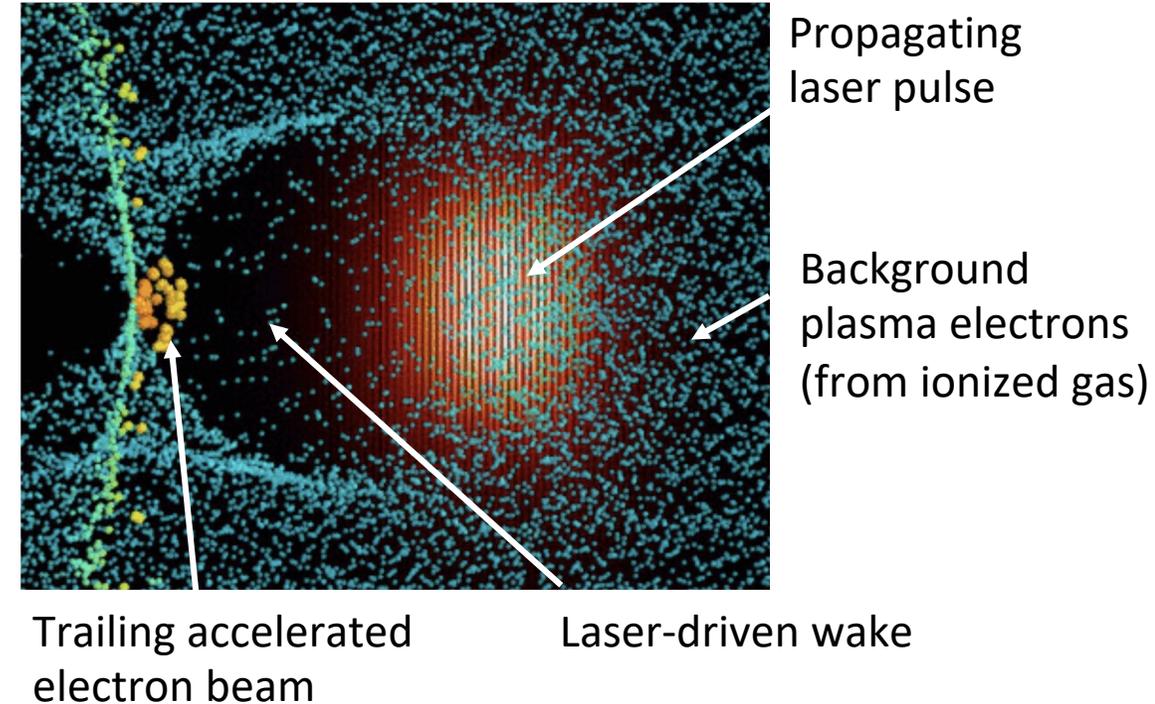
A. Ferran-Pousa et al., Bayesian optimization of laser-plasma accelerators assisted by reduced physical models, PRAB (2023)

Plasma-based acceleration: an emerging acceleration technology



Main advantage:

~ 50 GeV/m accelerating gradient



Can be modeled with Particle-In-Cell (PIC) simulations

Example of design optimization: beamloading in a plasma accelerator

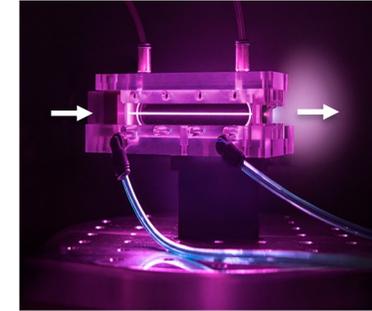
- **Simulation-based design optimization** is a common workflow for plasma-based accelerators
- Example in this presentation: **beamloading optimization**
Tune the **current profile** to maximize **beam quality** after acceleration

- 4 input parameters that parametrize the initial **delay** and **current profile** of the beam

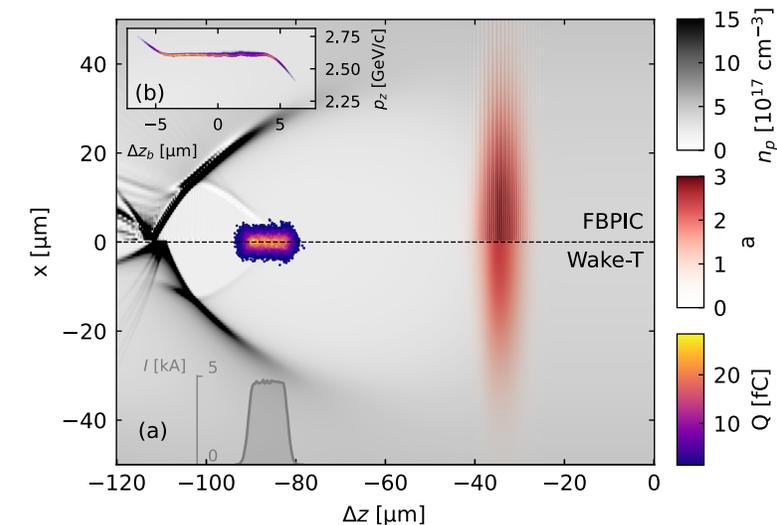
- Single objective function: (quantifies **beam quality**)
$$f \propto \frac{Q \times E}{\sigma E}$$

- **Bayesian optimization** is an efficient optimization method. Here we use **multi-fidelity Bayesian optimization**.

In:
current profile
of the beam



Out:
beam quality



Multi-fidelity Bayesian optimization

Intuitive idea:

- inexpensive, **low-fidelity** simulations for **broad parameter exploration**
- expensive, **high-fidelity** simulations for few, well-targeted simulations

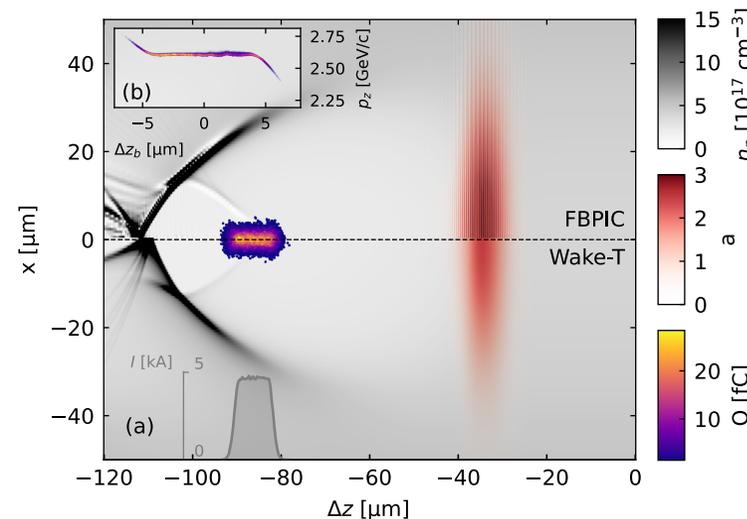
Different fidelities may mean:

- Different resolutions
- Different geometries (e.g. cylindrical vs full 3D)
- Different approximations (e.g. quasi-static vs full PIC)

Quantified by a fidelity parameter s , which is passed to the (modified) GP, along with \mathbf{x} (tuning parameters), for each point

FBPIC (“high-fidelity”, $s=1$)

- Full-PIC
- On the example setup:
~45 min per simulation,
on 1 GPU

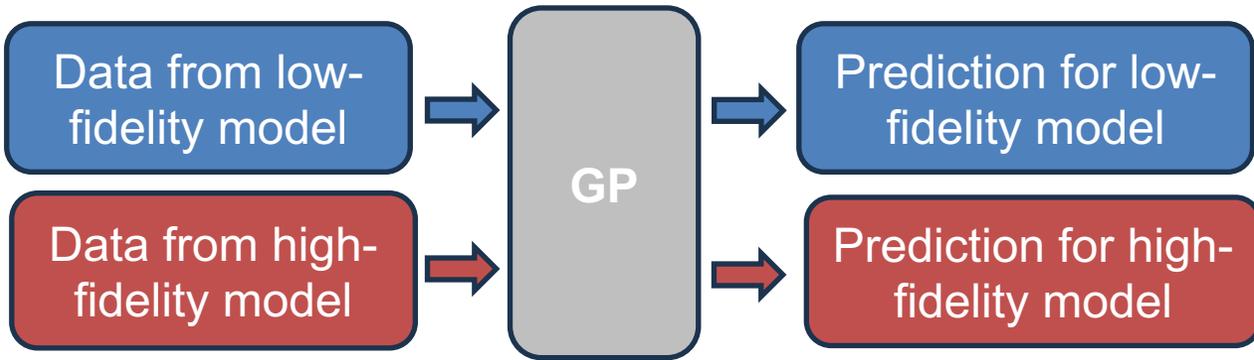


Wake-T (“low-fidelity”, $s=0$)

- Quasistatic + laser envelope
- On the example setup:
~5 min per simulation,
on 1 CPU core

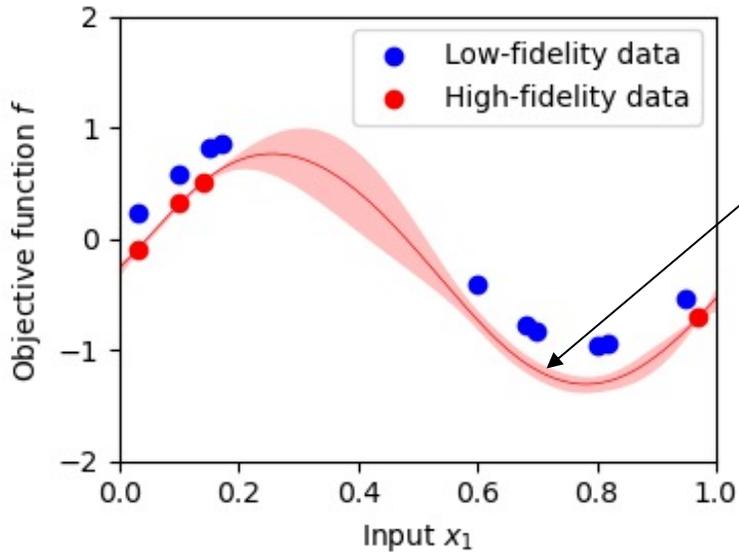
See Axel Huebl’s presentation on Thursday 5:40 PM regarding models with different fidelities

Multi-fidelity optimization requires a fidelity-aware Gaussian process



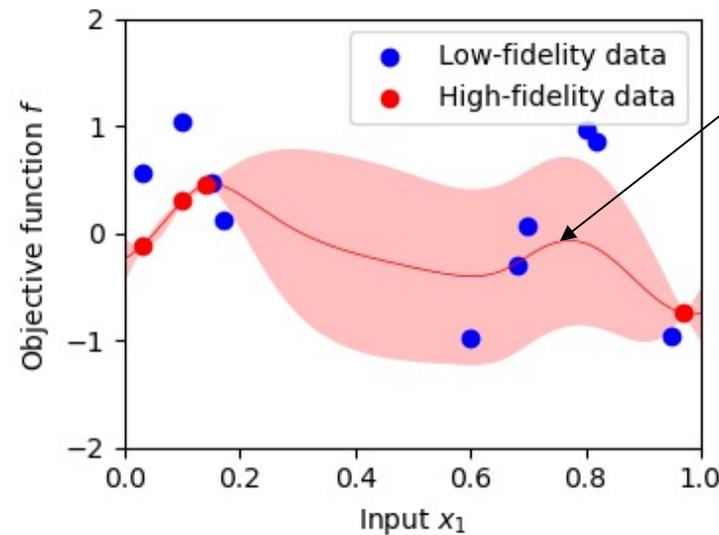
- Automatically evaluates **the level of correlation** between low-fidelity and high-fidelity data
- When strongly-correlated: can use low-fidelity data to **inform predictions** on high-fidelity data

Strongly-correlated case:



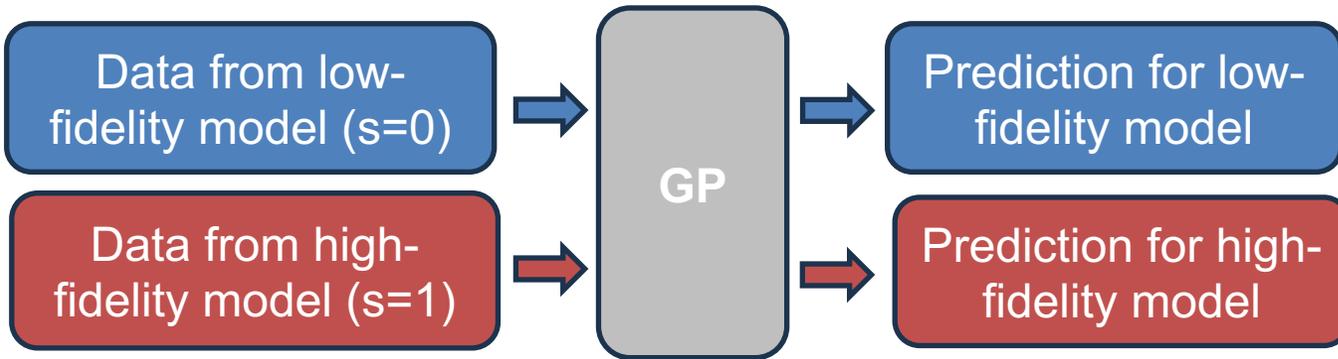
Low uncertainty, despite the absence of high-fidelity data

Un-correlated case:



High uncertainty ; low-fidelity data is ignored

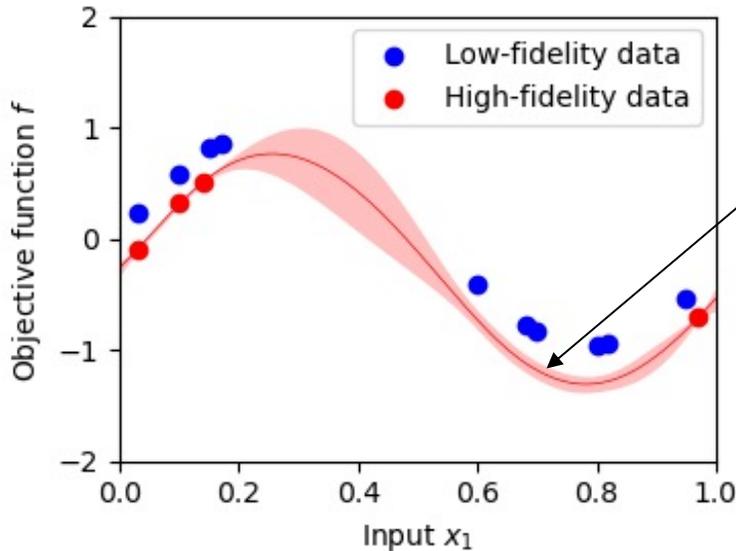
Multi-fidelity optimization requires a fidelity-aware Gaussian process



- The input space for the GP contains both \mathbf{x} (tuning parameters) and s (fidelity)
- The kernel is usually assumed to be separable

$$k((s, \mathbf{x}), (s', \mathbf{x}')) = \tilde{\kappa}(\|s - s'\|) \kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$$

Strongly-correlated case:



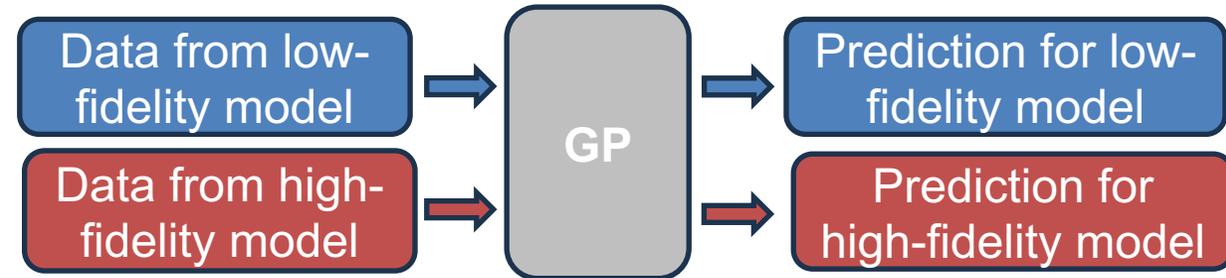
Low uncertainty, despite the absence of high-fidelity data

- The **lengthscale hyperparameter** of $\tilde{\kappa}$ quantifies how correlated the different fidelities are, and is automatically tuned during **hyperparameter optimization**

e.g. *Bonilla, Multi-task Gaussian Process Prediction, NeurIPS (2007)*

The components of a multi-fidelity Bayesian optimization

- **Fidelity-aware Gaussian Process**
e.g. *Bonilla, Multi-task Gaussian Process Prediction, NeurIPS (2007)*



- **Procedure to suggest which points to evaluate (i.e. simulate) next, and at which fidelity**
Recent work using multi-fidelity Bayesian optimization in plasma-based acceleration:
 - **Dynamic selection** of the fidelity for each simulation:
F. Irshad et al., Multi-objective and multi-fidelity Bayesian optimization of laser-plasma acceleration, PRR (2023)
 - Batches of **fixed numbers** of low-fidelity and high-fidelity simulation (our work):
A. Ferran-Pousa et al., Bayesian optimization of laser-plasma accelerators assisted by reduced physical models, PRAB (2023)

See also: *R. Roussel et al., Bayesian Optimization Algorithms for Accelerator Physics, arXiv:2312.05667 (2023)*

The multi-task Bayesian optimization algorithm alternatively runs high and low-fidelity simulations.

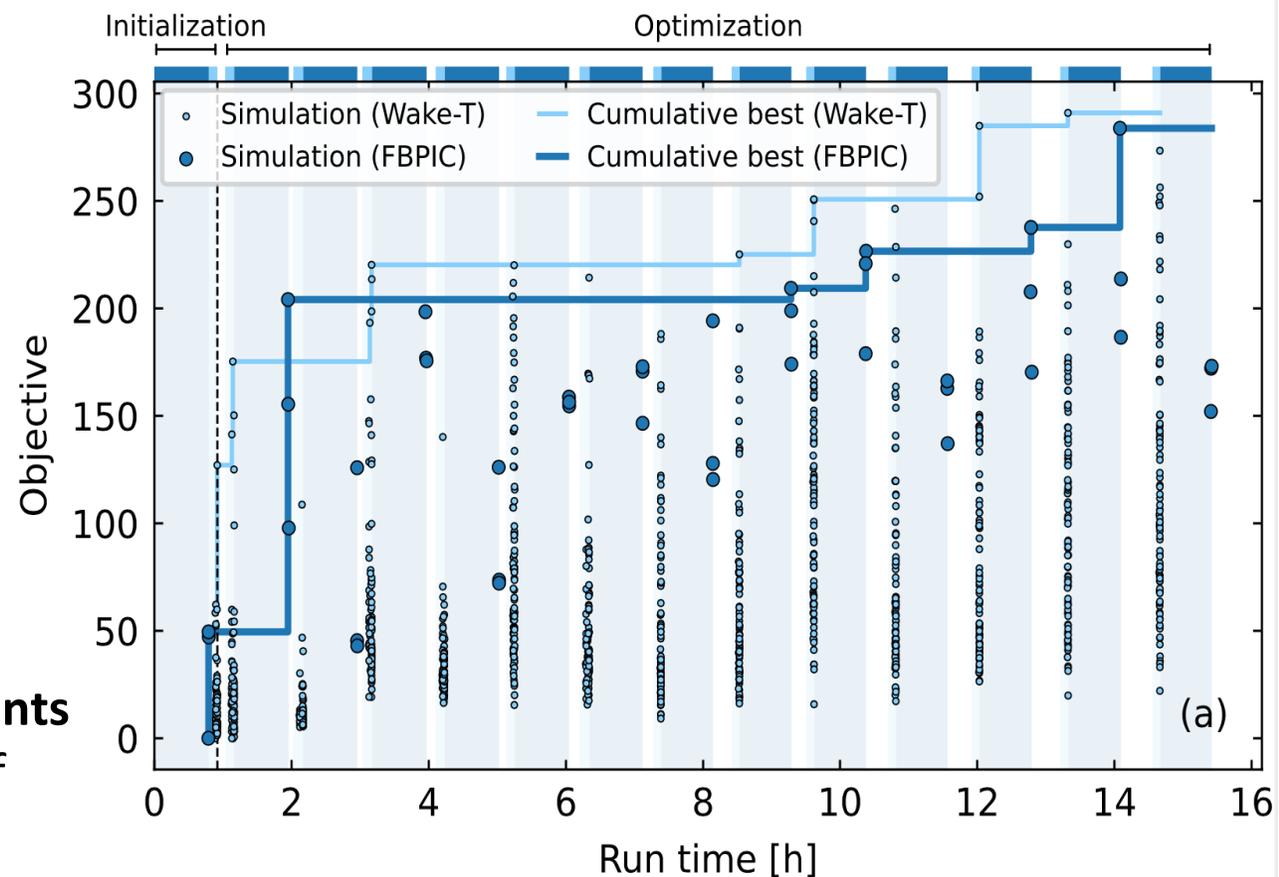
Algorithm:

Swersky et al., NeurIPS (2013)

Letham et al., arxiv 1904.01049 (2019)

(implemented in the Ax package)

- Repeatedly runs **fixed-size batches** of:
 - n_1 low-fidelity simulations
 - n_2 high-fidelity simulations(here $n_1=90$, $n_2=3$)
- Simulations are evaluated at the **most promising points** in parameter space, accordingly to the predictions of the GP prediction **for the high-fidelity**
- The model itself is updated after each batch



Orchestration of the simulations is done via `optimas`

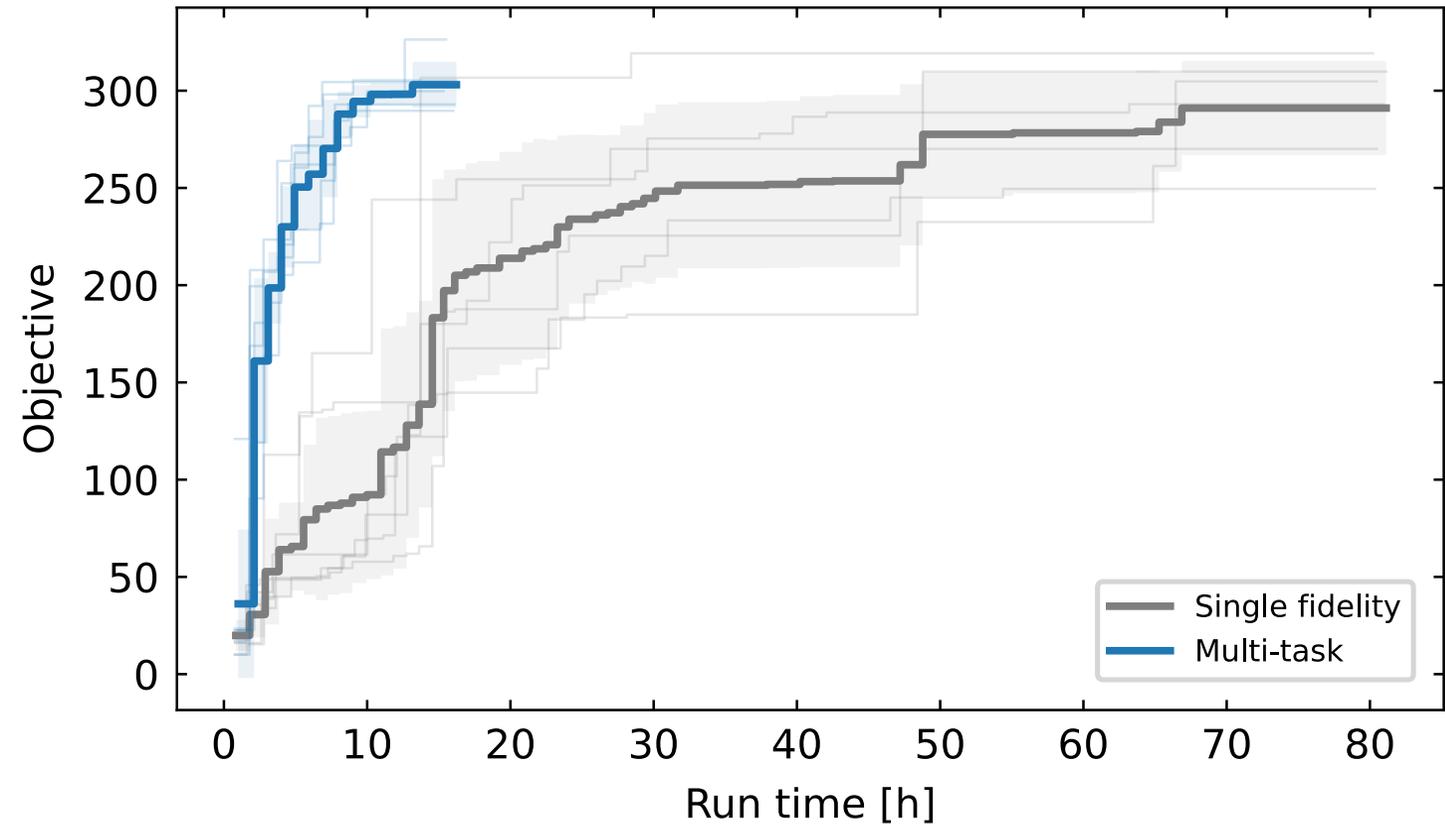
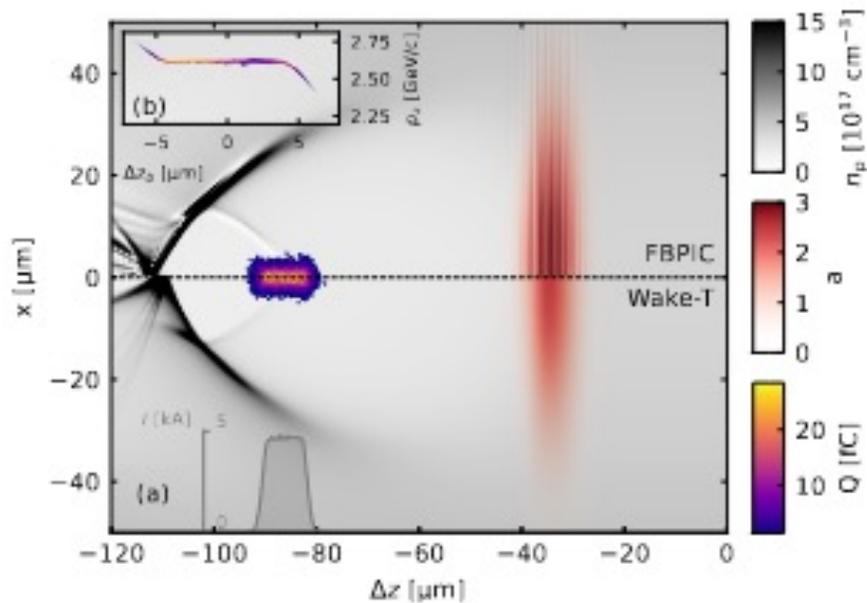


`github.com/optimas-org/optimas`

Multi-fidelity Bayesian optimization can be significantly faster.

- 4 input parameters that parametrize the longitudinal beam profile, in order to optimize beamloading

- Objective function: $f \propto \frac{Q \times E}{\sigma E}$



(6 independent run in each case, with different random seeds)

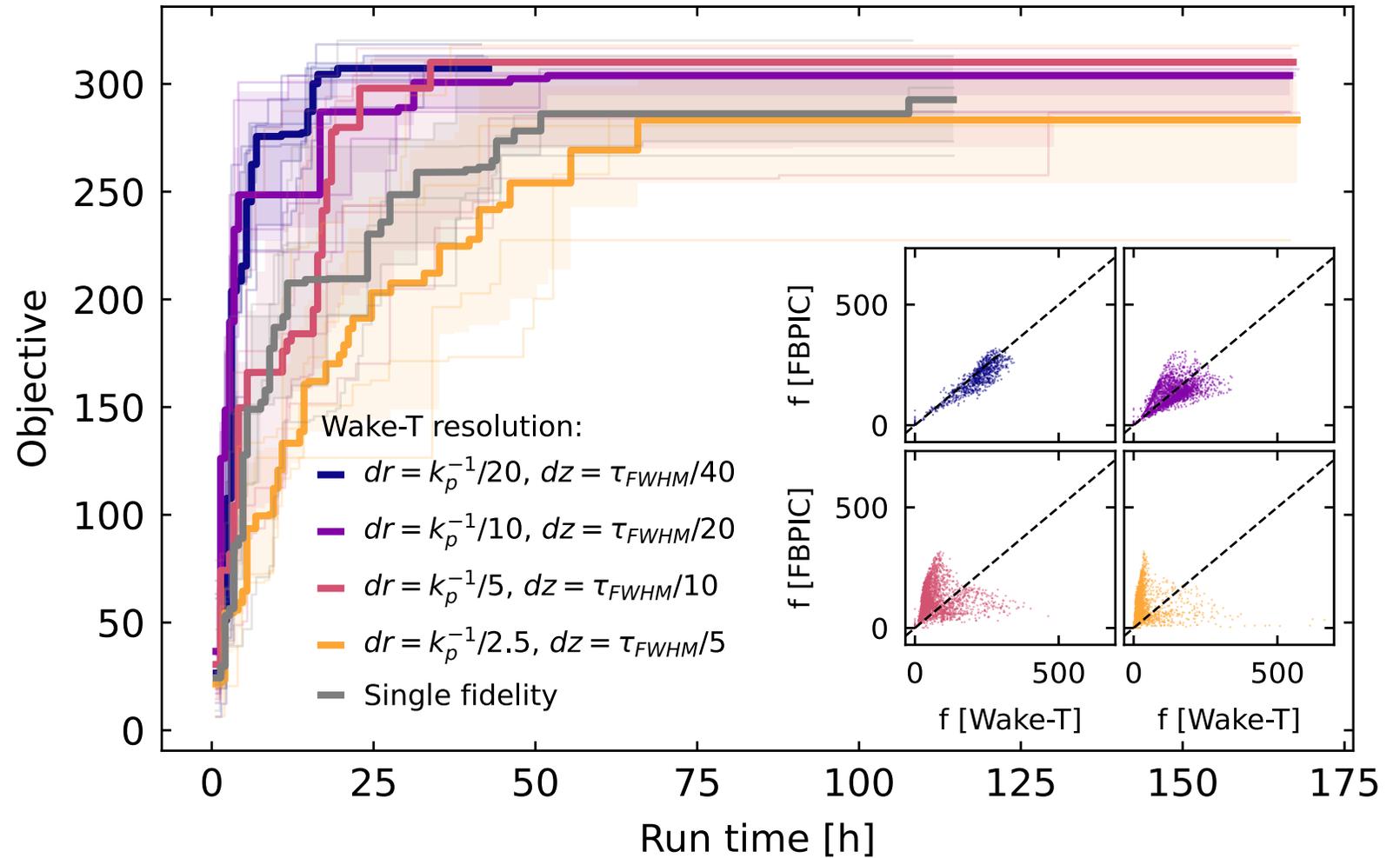
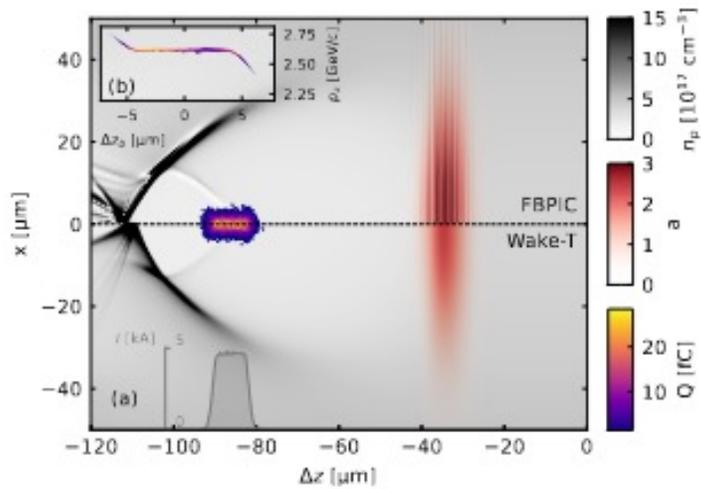
Optimization is robust when low-fidelity does not match high-fidelity.

High-fidelity:

FBPIC, fixed resolution

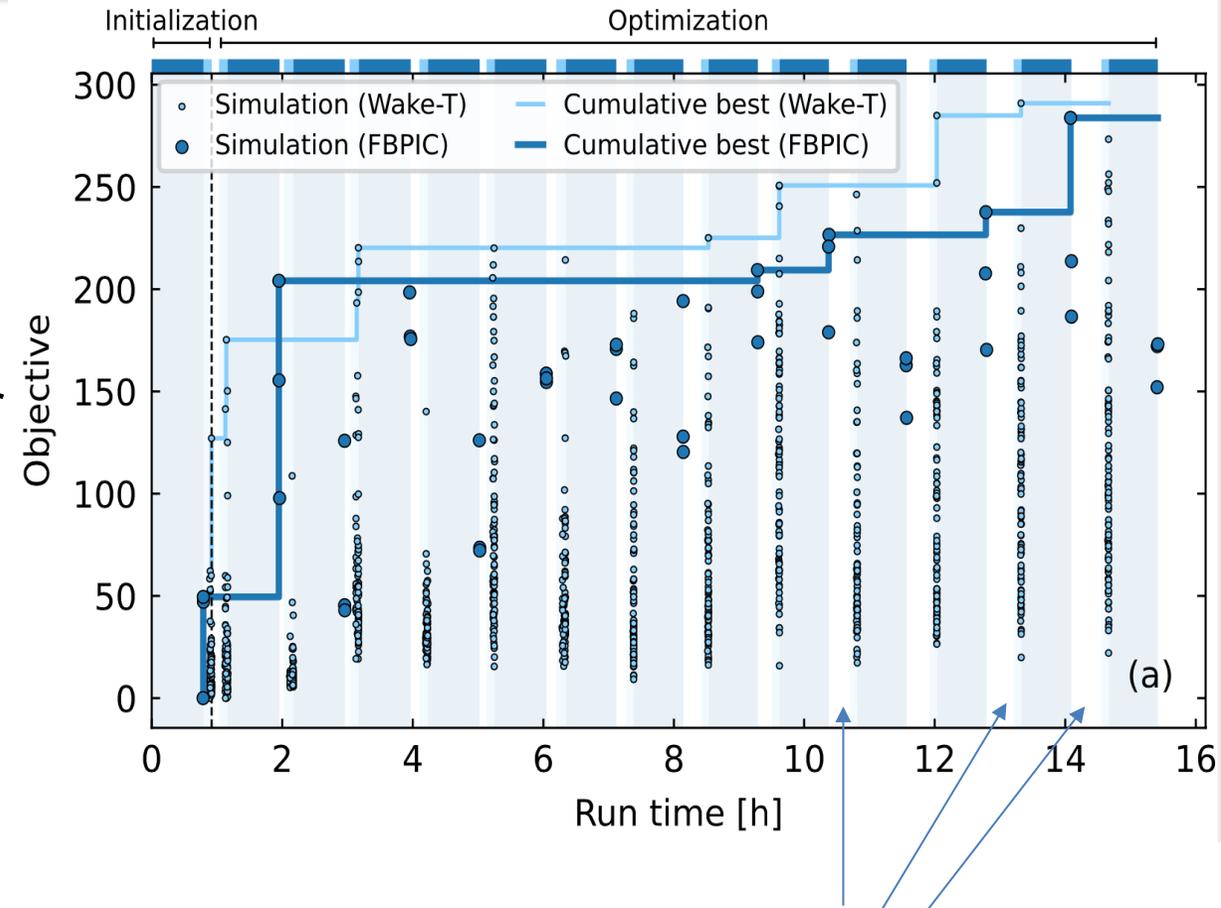
Low-fidelity:

Wake-T, varying resolution



Caveat: generating next points can take a significant time

- Here: GP and acquisition function evaluated on a GPU (Ax implementation)
- Theoretical scaling for training the GP $\propto N^3$ where N is the number of datapoints collected so far

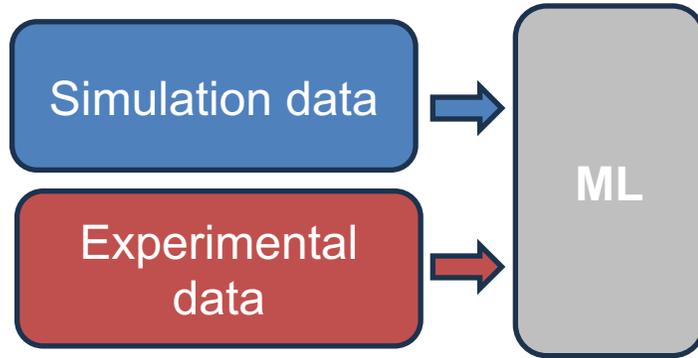


White gaps: time it takes for the algorithm to decide which points to evaluate in the next batch

Conclusion

- Multi-fidelity Bayesian optimization can make use of **inexpensive, low-fidelity** simulations to **accelerate optimization**
- Anecdotal evidence seems to indicate that it is **relatively robust** when low-fidelity and high-fidelity don't match
- Cost of fitting the GP and optimizing the acquisition function can become a **bottleneck** when using a large amount of low-fidelity data

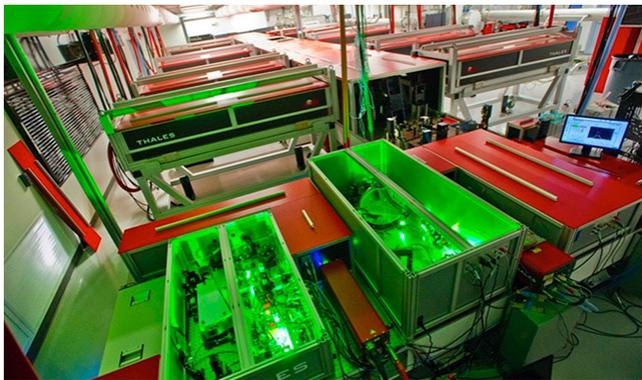
Next step: use multi-fidelity Bayesian optimization (and other ML models) for simulation-aided optimization of experiments



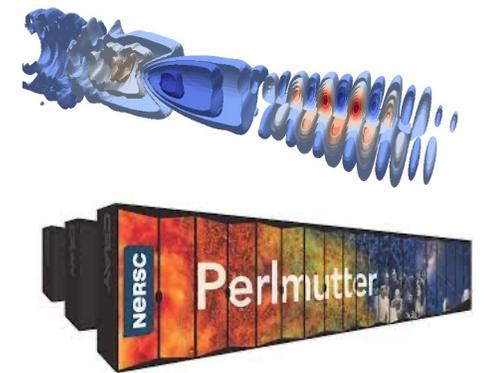
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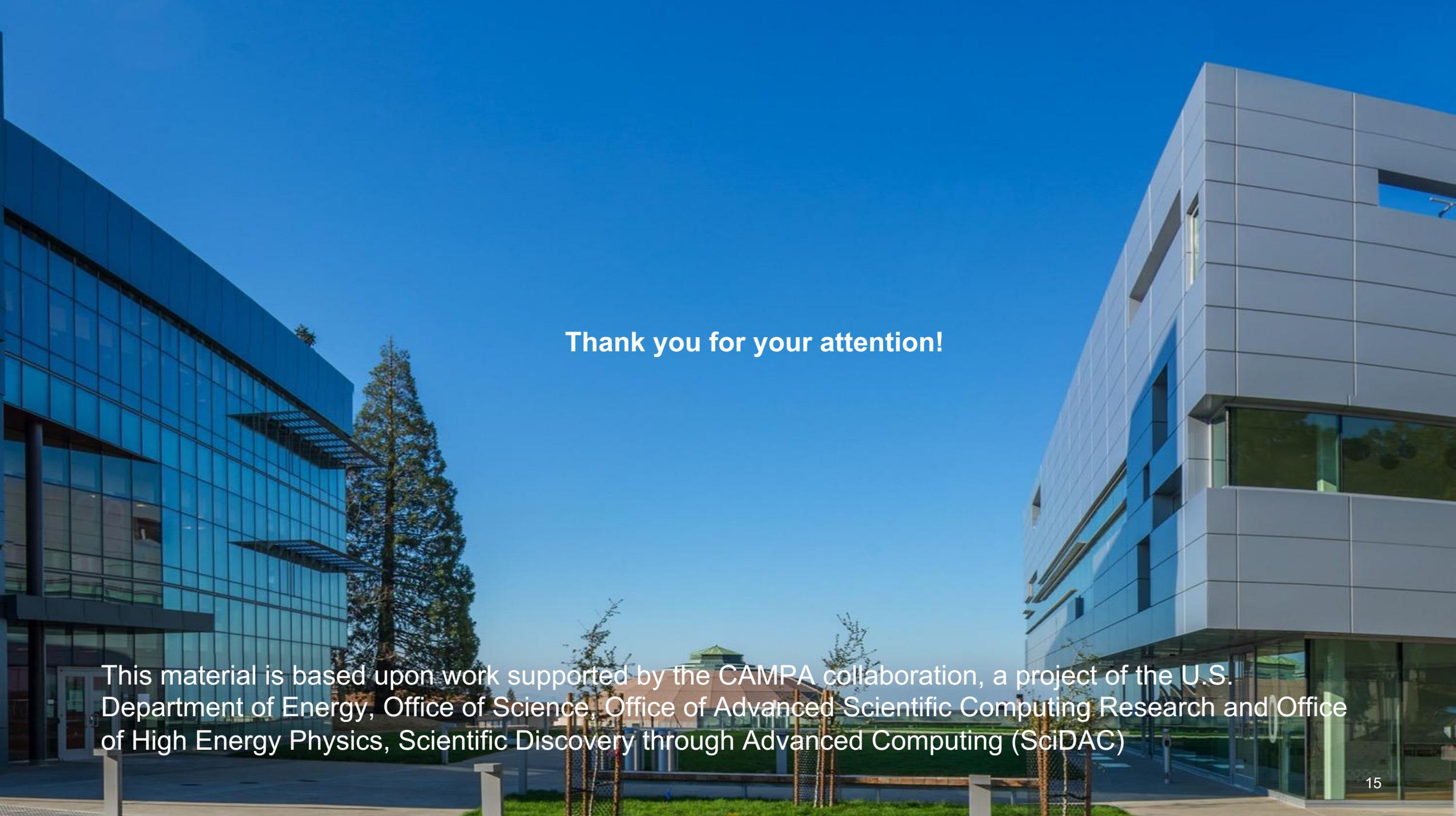
We welcome ideas and collaboration on **efficient combination** of experimental and simulation data!

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Experiments with Terawatt and Petawatt lasers



Accelerator Modeling Program
Modeling with large-scale
Particle-In-Cell simulations



A photograph of a modern building with a glass facade and a blue sky background. The building is composed of two main sections: one with a glass facade on the left and one with a metallic, panelled facade on the right. A tall, thin tree stands between the two buildings. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

Thank you for your attention!

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