



# Experimental Phase-Space Tracking of a Single Electron in a Storage Ring

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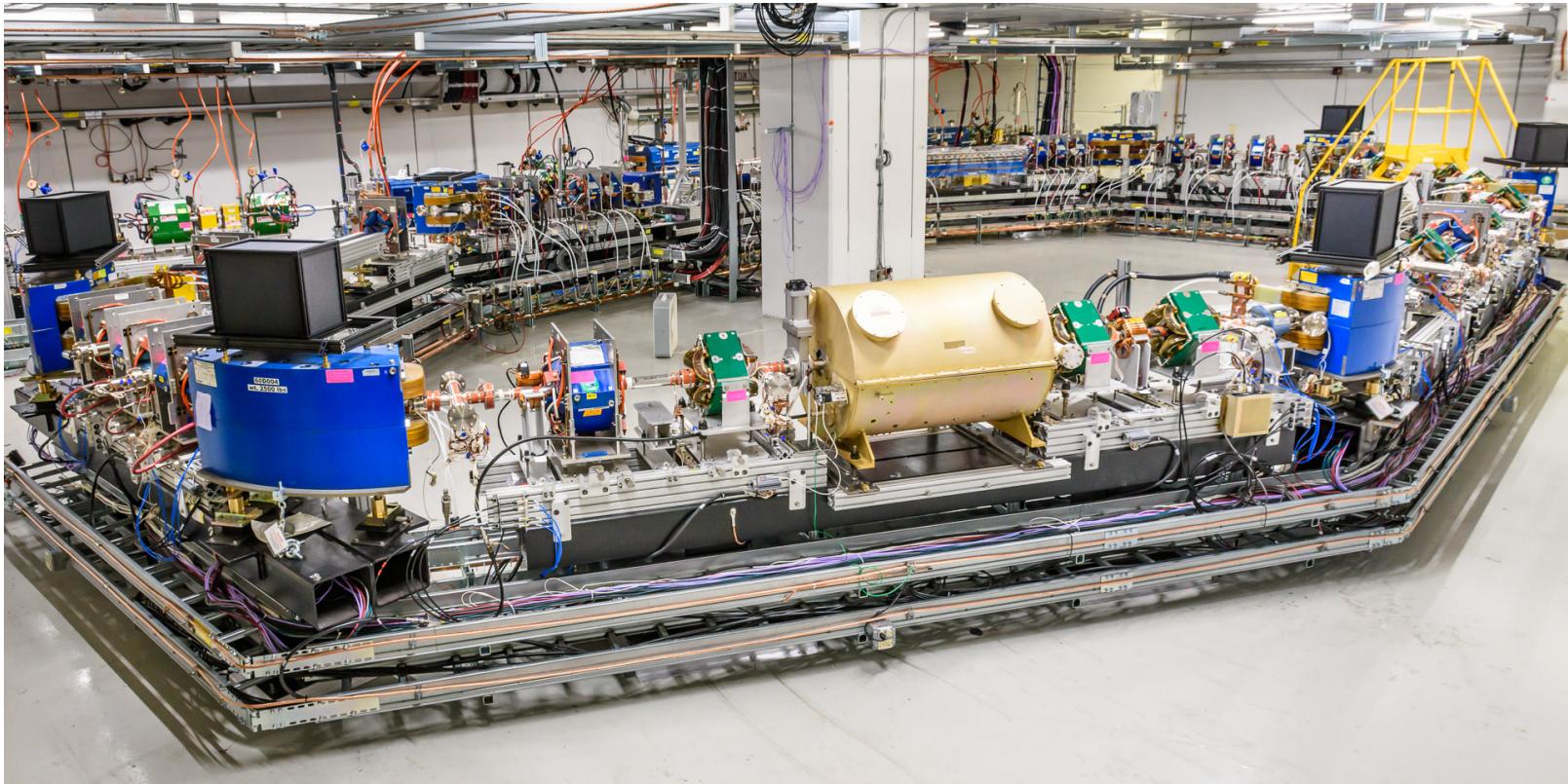
# Motivation for the single electron studies

- Observation of a truly point-like object in a storage ring allows deep understanding of a single-particle dynamics
  - Mandatory basis for a successful implementation of advanced beam control concepts
    - Halo and losses suppression
    - Instabilities suppression
    - Higher beam power
  - Valuable machine diagnostics information
    - Betatron and synchrotron dynamics
    - Non-linear dynamics
    - Tune dependence on amplitudes
    - Residual gas properties
  - Validation of simulation tools

# State of the art with a single electron tracking

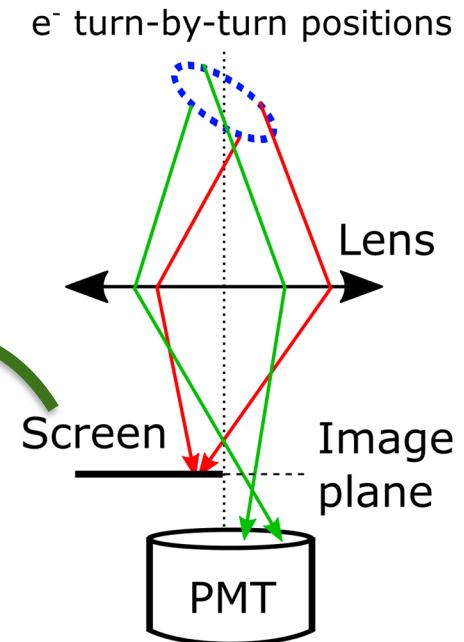
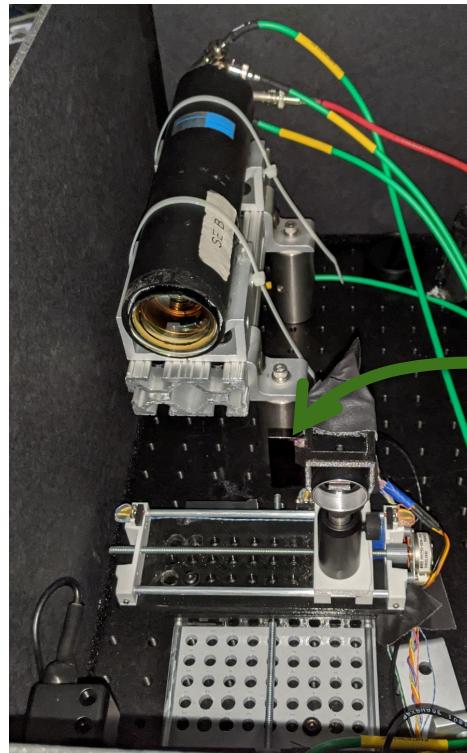
- Most studies of a single electron in storage rings were focused on a longitudinal dynamics.
  - Registration of arrival times of individual photons allows tracking of synchrotron oscillations of one or a few electrons.
- In previous experiments at IOTA we used digital cameras to track all 3 mode amplitudes (2 betatron and synchrotron) as well as PMTs and SPADs to track synchrotron oscillations
- Capability to track only 2 remaining dynamical variables – betatron phases - is necessary for a full 6-dimensional tracking!
- Therefore, we decided to demonstrate feasibility of a Betatron Oscillations Tracking of a Single Electron (BOPTSE)

# IOTA overview



# Experimental setup for BOPTSE experiment

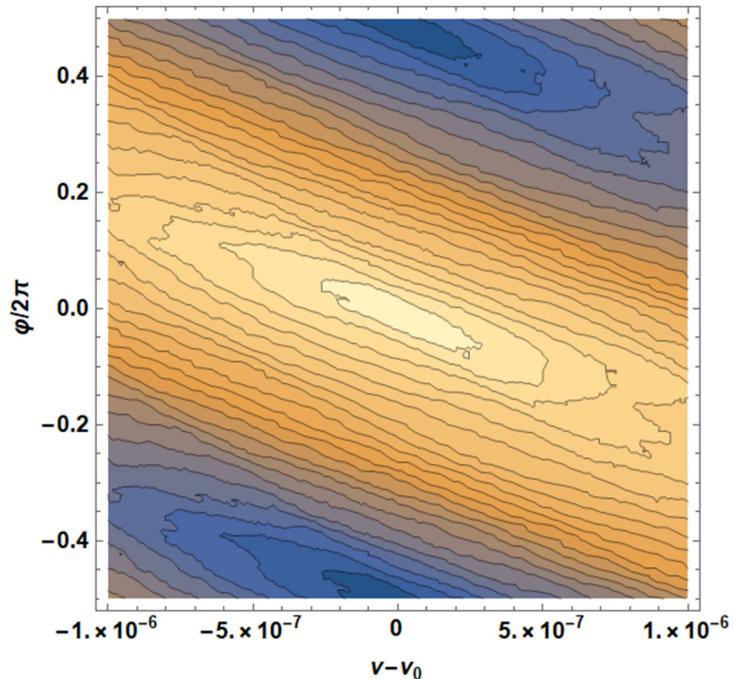
- Straight-edge screen is blocking one half of the image
- Screen is positioned in the same plane as camera sensor by the 3D-printed attachment
- Camera is installed on a stack of focusing and transverse stages
- Transverse position is selected such that the base counting rate of the PMT is reduced by 50%



# Experimental data

- Described single-pixel detector collects photons from only one half of the phase space
- Even such a coarse “camera” can provide information if enough photons are collected
- Expected detection rate of photons is about 3750 counts per second, or about one per 2000 turns
- Data from 50 $\mu$ s ( $\sim$ 180 photons), ideally, would give presented contour plot for the likelihood function:

$$F(\phi, v) = \sum_{i_\gamma} H [\sin(2\pi(i_\gamma v + \phi))]^2$$



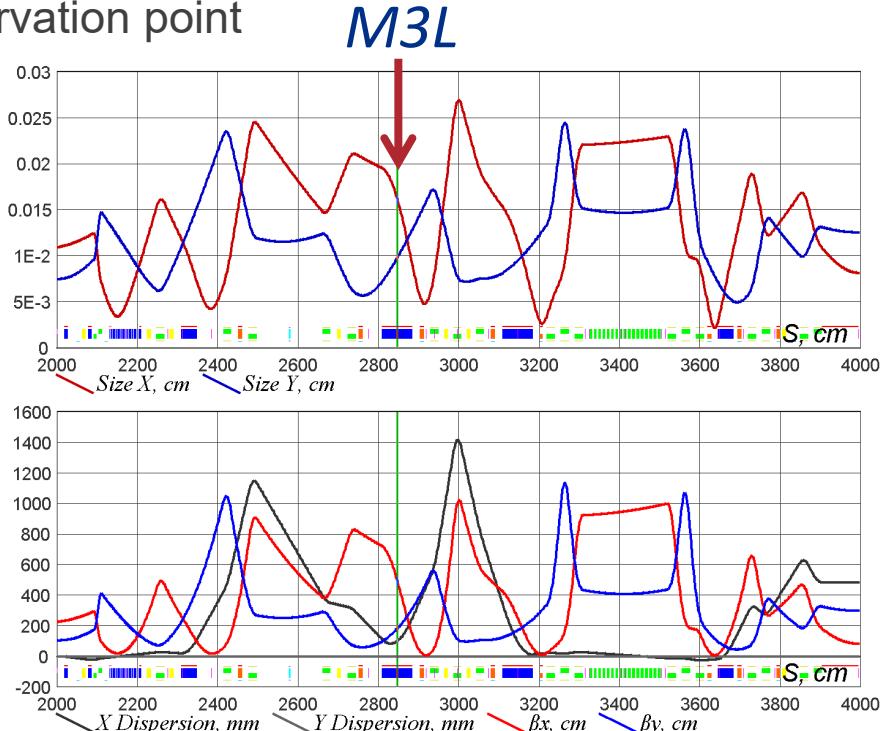
The root mean square spread of the reconstructed phases and tunes after 30 simulations were  $0.02 \times 2\pi$  and  $7 \times 10^{-8}$

# Lattice configuration

Special lattice was designed with favorable beam parameters:

- Big horizontal beam size at the M3L observation point
- Long damping times
- Zero dispersion in the regions with aperture restrictions

Parameter	Value
Perimeter	39.96 m
Momentum	101 MeV/c
Bunch intensity	$1 - 1000 e^-$
RF frequency	30 MHz
RF voltage	55 V
Betatron tunes, $(\nu_x, \nu_y)$	(5.41, 3.44)
Synchrotron tune, $\nu_s$	$7.18 \times 10^{-5}$
Damping times, $(\tau_x, \tau_y, \tau_s)$	(2.34, 2.04, 0.96) s
Horizontal emittance, $\epsilon_x$	11.3 nm
Momentum spread, $\Delta p/p$ , RMS	$9.7 \times 10^{-5}$
Momentum compaction, $\alpha_p$	0.015
Natural chromaticity $C_x, C_y$	-13.4, -9.0



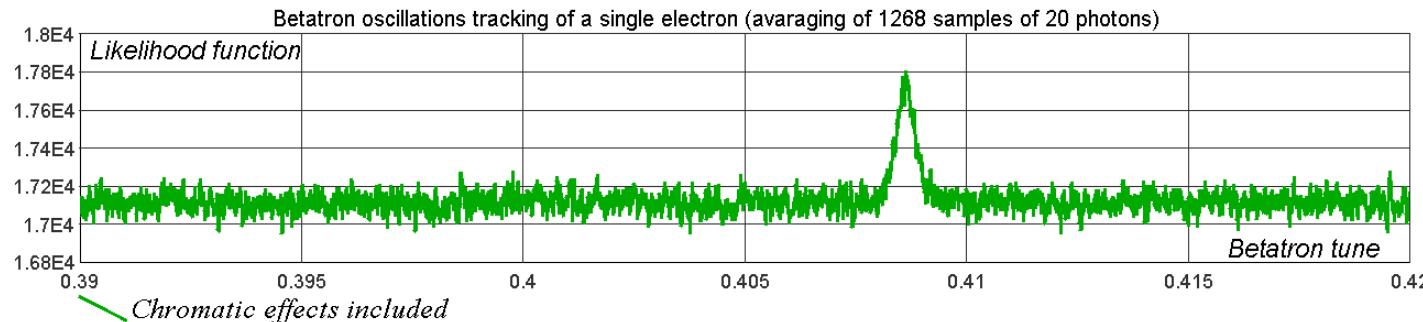
# Studies timeline

- 2 hours of access were required to attach the straight-edge screen to the M3L camera and to verify light tightness of the M3L station.
- Initial commissioning of the data acquisition system were done in the nominal IOTA lattice, taking 2 half shifts.
- Commissioning of a special lattice with long damping times and larger horizontal size
  - Three 8-hour shifts and 4-hour shift (planned: three 8-hour shifts)
- Taking experimental data in various regimes
  - Two 8-hour shifts (planned: up to four 4-hour shifts)

The studies were completed within the requested time.

# Main result: betatron tune of a single electron!

- Data analysis confirms groundbreaking potential of the ideas tested with the BOPTSE experiment:
  - For the first time, betatron tune was measured using a single electron in a storage ring
    - The last obstacle on the way towards full 6D tracking of a single particle is proven to be solvable



Data taking duration:  
3 minutes

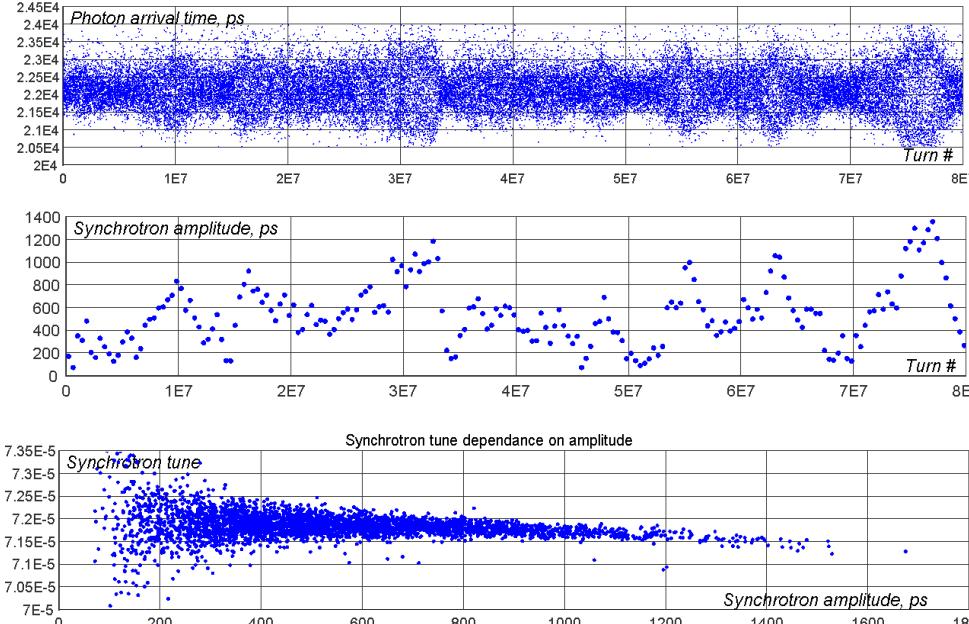
Averaging of likelihood functions from 1268 streaks  
of 20 photons arrived within 20000 turns

# Possible complications

- Tune dependence on the mode amplitudes
  - Chromatic effects from the synchrotron oscillations
    - Can be accounted for because data was taken with a PMT and time of arrival of each photon is available
  - Tune dependence on the betatron amplitudes
    - Images from 3 sensitive cameras were recorded in parallel with PMT measurements, this allows reconstruction of slowly changing betatron amplitudes
- Other non-linear dynamics from various imperfections and edge fields
  - Hard to account for, since there are too many variables, and the data is too coarse
- Power supplies ripple
  - Hard to account for, but closed orbit data analysis suggests that biggest ripples have frequency of 10 Hz, which should allow to work with a data streaks of 100-200 photons as if there is no ripple.

# Synchrotron oscillations

- To account for chromatic effects, synchrotron oscillations were tracked through the entire data set.
- Chromaticity value was adjusted to maximize likelihood function

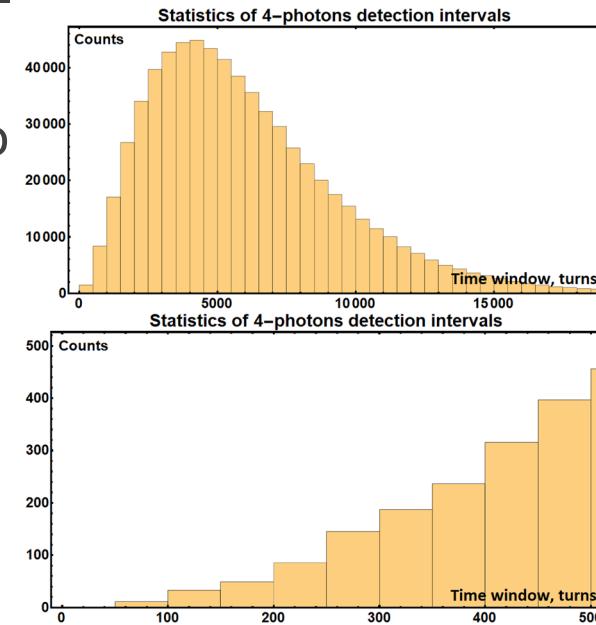
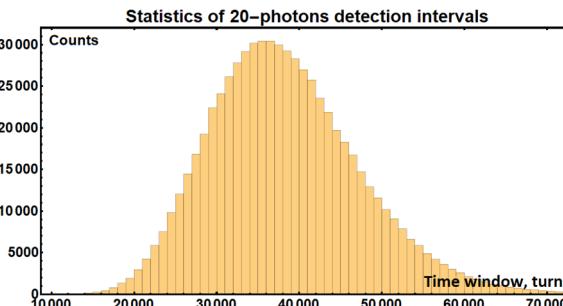
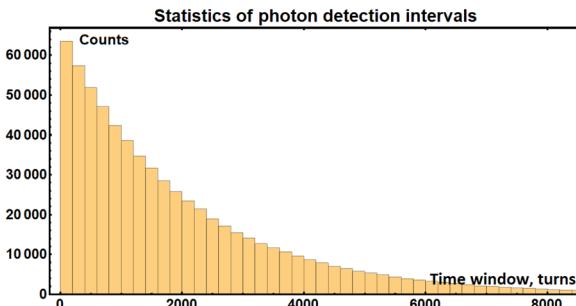


$\sim 10$  s shown

180 s total

# Time of arrival statistics

- On average, there is about 1 photon per 2000 turns, but since photon-to-photon intervals are random and follow exponential distribution, it is possible to hand-pick photon streaks that are denser than average.
  - With short enough streaks, it is even possible to avoid effects of synchrotron oscillations



# Accounting for synchrotron oscillations

Slow synchrotron oscillations introduce perturbations that can change the betatron phase by more than  $\pi$ . To the first order, the dependence of the betatron tune on the relative momentum deviation of an electron can be presented as:

$$\nu_x = \nu_{x0} + C_x A_p \sin(2\pi\nu_s n + \varphi_{s0})$$

$C_x$  - horizontal chromaticity,  $A_p$  - amplitude of synchrotron oscillations.

Assuming  $\nu_s \ll 1$ , this expression can be integrated to get a betatron phase:

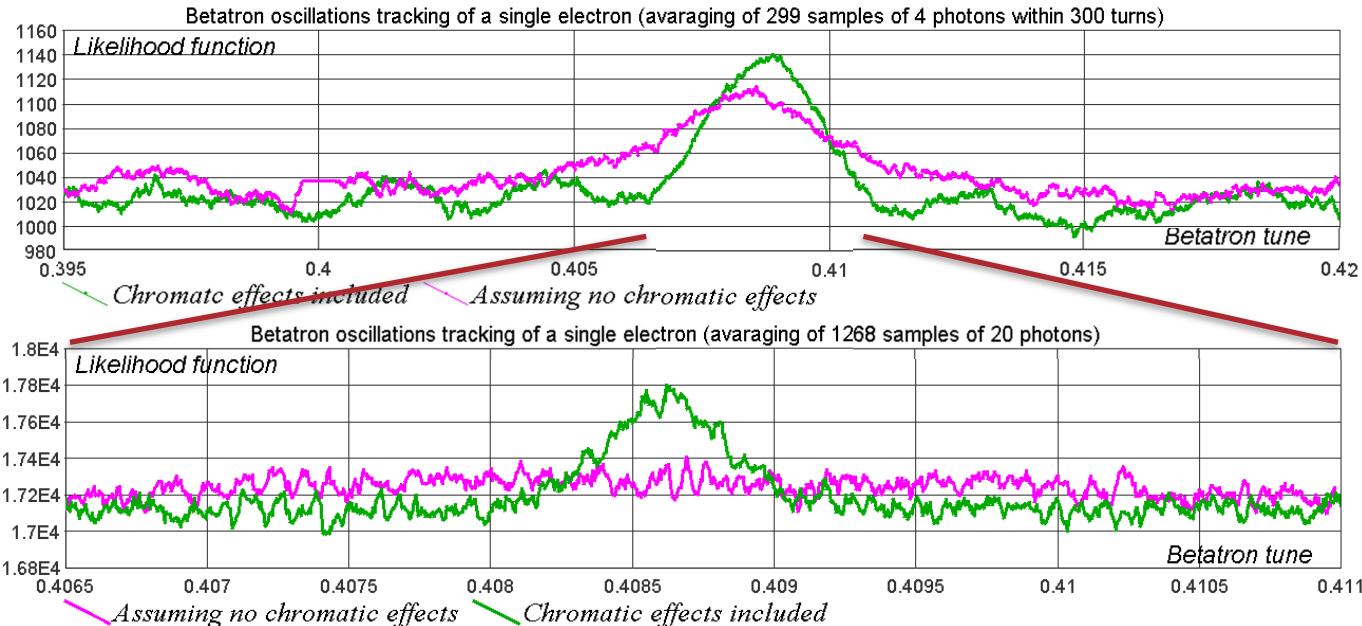
$$\frac{\varphi_x}{2\pi} = \nu_{x0}n + \frac{C_x A_t}{\alpha_p T_0} (\cos(\varphi_{s0}) - \cos(2\pi\nu_s n + \varphi_{s0})) + \frac{\varphi_{x0}}{2\pi}$$

The likelihood function for a set of photons with turn numbers  $n_\gamma$ :

$$F(\varphi_{x0}, \nu_x) = \sum_{n_\gamma} H[\sin(\varphi_x)]$$

# Effect of synchrotron oscillations

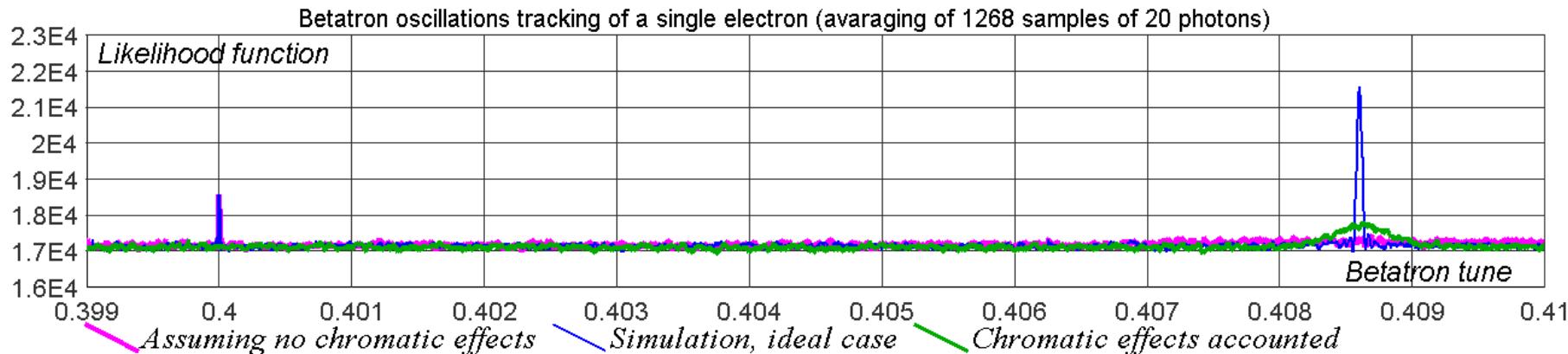
- Within a narrow window of 300 turns, even a simple sin-wave fit gives betatron tune



- Longer photons streaks require synchrotron oscillations to have visible signal

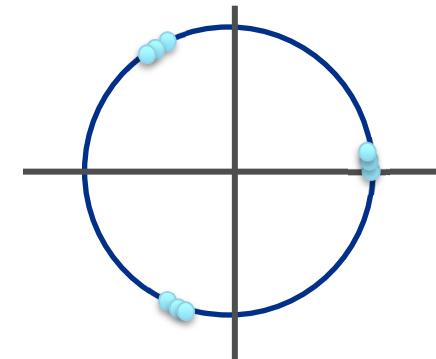
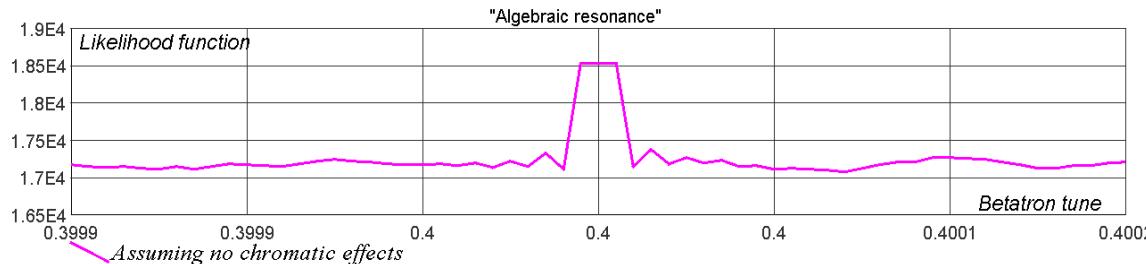
# Unknown effects

- When compared to a simulation, it is clear that there are big systematic difference between the used model and the real electron dynamics in the IOTA storage ring



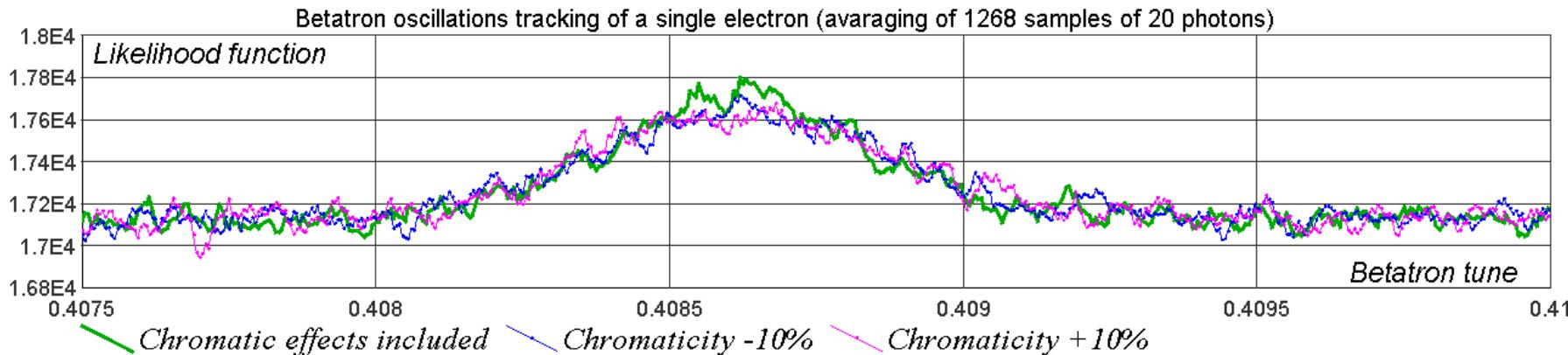
# Instrumentation “resonances”

- Due to the fact that only one PMT was used there are “algebraic resonance lines” in the reconstructed betatron tune if chromatic effects are not included.
  - The most prominent lines are 1/3 and 1/5 and 2/5
- On average, for a wrong tune, likelihood function, should be slightly above  $(N_\gamma/2 + \sqrt{N_\gamma/2})$ 
  - With tune on a “resonance”, all arrival phases cluster in 3 or 5 groups and it is possible to pick a phase that will match 2 or 3 biggest clusters.



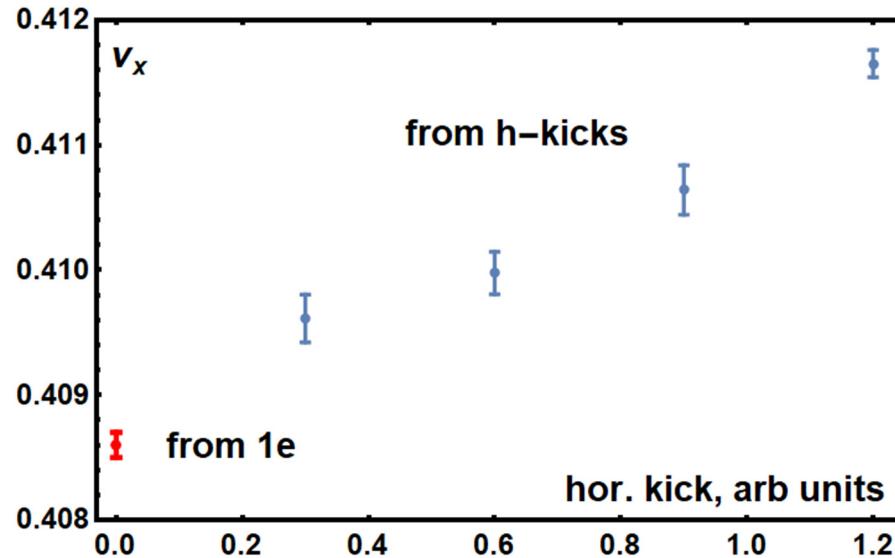
# Chromaticity measurements

- The used simple tool allows precise measurements of the chromaticity
  - Single-parameter fits give ~10% accuracy



# Amplitude tune dependance

- During the BOPTSE shift, a classic tune measurements were done for various kick amplitudes
  - BOPTSE data shows that even the smallest kick gives betatron tune that is different from near-zero amplitude tune normally experienced by particles

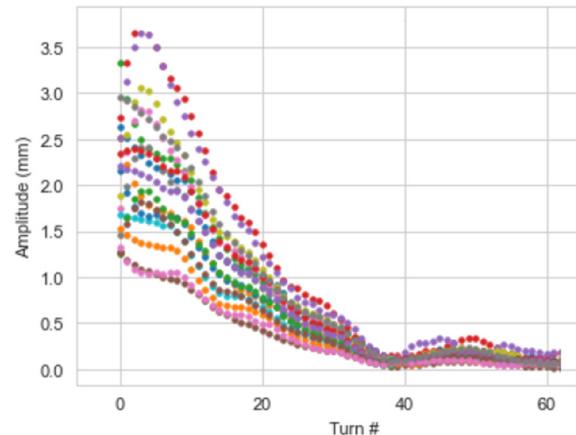


# A 6D tracking for non-linear lattices

**The goal: Direct observation of invariants and characterization of lattice parameters**

- Pencil beam approach
  - Use of conventional diagnostics
  - Many points per turn
  - Limited resolution
    - Fast decoherence of the signal
    - Mixing of various decoherence sources
- Single electron tracking
  - Sparse data, about 1 point every 10-100 turns
  - Long coherence of the oscillations
  - True point-like test object
  - Natural scan of the phase space volume

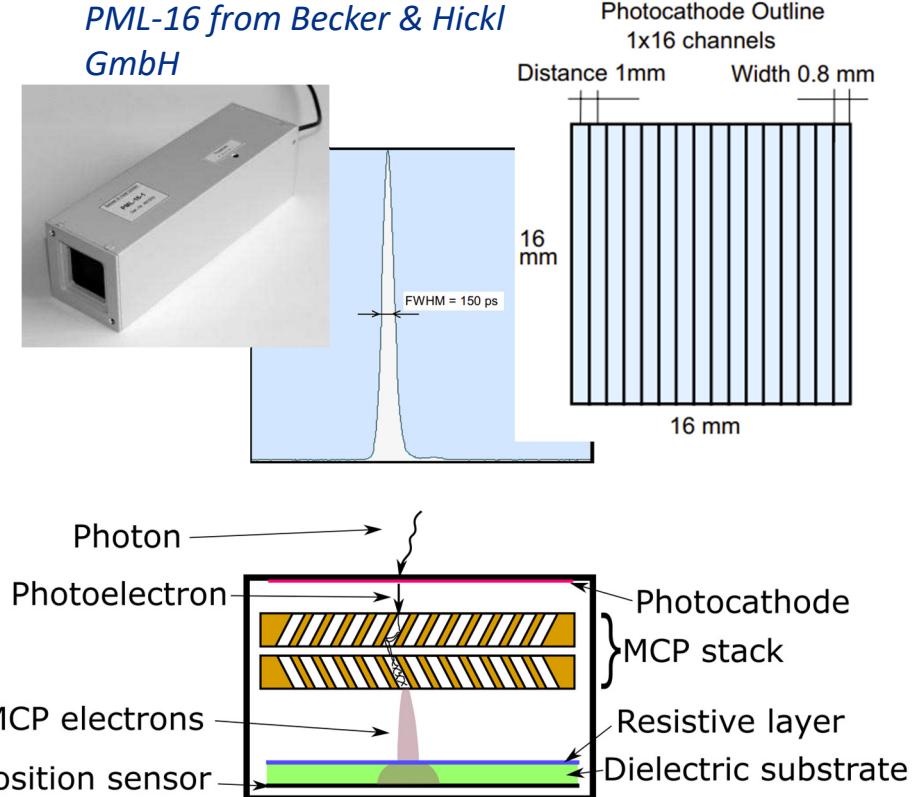
*Turn-by-turn beam coordinates in the IOTA ring with a non-linear lattice, each color correspond to a specific BPM.*



# The path towards 6D tracking

LDRD grant was approved to demonstrate full 6D tracking of a single electron at IOTA

- The first stage studies are planned for the current IOTA's run-4
  - Two 16-channel PMTs will be used to track electron with limited resolution
- The second stage studies would rely on MCP based detectors
  - Single photon sensitivity with quantum efficiency of 15-20%@500nm
  - Spatial resolution of 30-50  $\mu\text{m}$
  - Temporal resolution of 200-300 ps
  - True 2D resolution with sensitivity to coupling



# Summary

- BOPTSE experiment demonstrated feasibility of a complete 6D single electron tracking
- Even a readily available instruments with small additions allow precision measurements of a true betatron tunes and chromaticities
- With addition of data from sensitive digital cameras, a precise information about amplitude dependance of betatron tunes can be measured
- Position sensitive photon detectors will enable an even deeper analysis and understanding of storage rings, which is crucial for successful design, commissioning and operation of future accelerators