

Linear WFA Notes

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1 E_z

$$RadialPart = \int_0^{\infty} R(r') g_0(r, r') r' dr' \quad (1)$$

$$g_0(r, r') = 4\pi [I_0(k_p r) K_0(k_p r') \Theta(r' - r) + I_0(k_p r') K_0(k_p r) \Theta(r - r')] \quad (2)$$

$$R(r') = \begin{cases} 1 & r' < \sigma_r \\ 0 & r' > \sigma_r \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

What do we mean? . . .

r is the point where we observe the field

r' is the point where the charge is located

$R(r')$ is the distribution of charges

If we observe the field at location $r > \sigma_r$, this means that we “see” all the beam charge as within our observation point.

$$\begin{aligned} RadialPart_{r > \sigma_r} &= \int_0^{\sigma_r} 4\pi I_0(k_p r') K_0(k_p r) r' dr' & (4) \\ &= 4\pi r' I_1(k_p r') K_0(k_p r) \Big|_0^{\sigma_r} \\ &= 4\pi \sigma_r I_1(k_p \sigma_r) K_0(k_p r) \end{aligned}$$

because $\Theta(r - r') = 1$ for all $r > \sigma_r > r'$. So the radial component of E_z comes out to:

$$\boxed{E_z(r > \sigma_r) = 4\pi \sigma_r I_1(k_p \sigma_r) K_0(k_p r)} \quad (5)$$

For $r < \sigma_r$, we have a contribution from both parts of Eqn. 2:

$$\frac{4\pi}{k_p} \int_0^{\sigma_r} [I_0(k_p r) K_0(k_p r') \Theta(r' - r) + I_0(k_p r') K_0(k_p r) \Theta(r - r')] k_p r' dr' \quad (6)$$

1. $r' < r$ invokes the term attached to $\Theta(r - r')$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^r I_0(k_p r') K_0(k_p r) k_p r' dr' &= k_p r' I_1(k_p r') K_0(k_p r) \Big|_0^r \\ &= k_p r I_1(k_p r) K_0(k_p r) \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

2. $r' > r$ invokes the term attached to $\Theta(r' - r)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_r^{\sigma_r} I_0(k_p r) K_0(k_p r') k_p r' dr' &= -k_p r' I_0(k_p r) K_1(k_p r') \Big|_r^{\sigma_r} \\ &= k_p r I_0(k_p r) \left[K_1(k_p r) - \frac{\sigma_r}{r} K_1(k_p \sigma_r) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Integrals were carried out using the identities listed in Sec. 4.

Plugging both integrals back into Eqn. 6 gives

$$\boxed{E_z(r < \sigma_r) = 4\pi r \left[I_1(k_p r) K_0(k_p r) + I_0(k_p r) \left(K_1(k_p r) - \frac{\sigma_r}{r} K_1(k_p \sigma_r) \right) \right]} \quad (9)$$

2 E_r

For the radial electric field, we have a Green's function

$$\begin{aligned} g_1(r, r') &= 4\pi [I_1(k_p r) K_1(k_p r') \Theta(r' - r) + I_1(k_p r') K_1(k_p r) \Theta(r - r')] \quad (10) \\ \implies E_r(r) &= \int_0^\infty r' \frac{\partial}{\partial r} R(r') g_1(r, r') dr' \\ &= - \int_0^\infty r' \delta(r - \sigma_r) g_1(r, r') dr' \\ &= - \int_0^\infty r' \delta(r - \sigma_r) [I_1(k_p r) K_1(k_p r') \Theta(r' - r) + I_1(k_p r') K_1(k_p r) \Theta(r - r')] dr' \\ &= -4\pi \sigma_r [I_1(k_p r) K_1(k_p \sigma_r) \Theta(\sigma_r - r) + I_1(k_p \sigma_r) K_1(k_p r) \Theta(r - \sigma_r)] \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Thus, we have the following solution for the radial electric field depending on r :

1. $r < \sigma_r$ invokes the term attached to $\Theta(\sigma_r - r)$:

$$\boxed{E_r(r < \sigma_r) = -4\pi \sigma_r K_1(k_p \sigma_r) I_1(k_p r)} \quad (12)$$

2. $r > \sigma_r$ invokes the term attached to $\Theta(r - \sigma_r)$:

$$\boxed{E_r(r > \sigma_r) = -4\pi \sigma_r I_1(k_p \sigma_r) K_1(k_p r)} \quad (13)$$

3 Comparison to HiPACE++

Note that the plasma density ρ in HiPACE++ should be normalized to $e \cdot n_1$ whereas the plasma density from analysis only requires normalization to n_1 .

3.1 Gaussian Beam

For the plots below, the number of electrons in the beam is $N_b = 4 \times 10^7$.

3.1.1 No Witness Beam

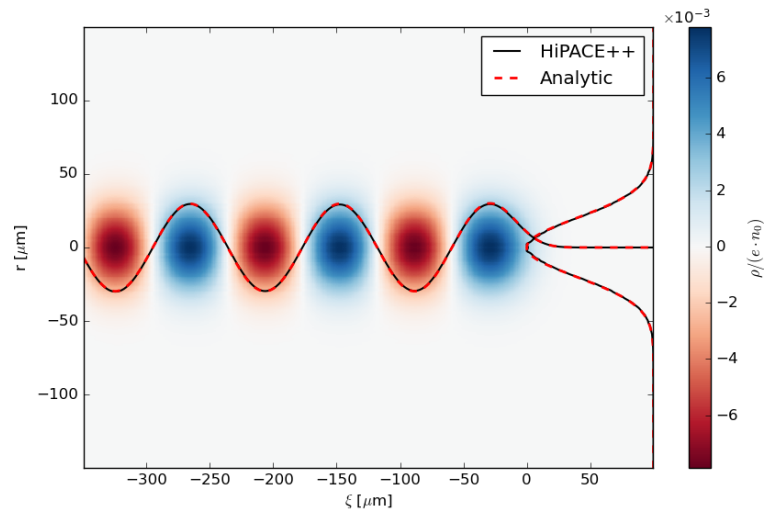


Figure 1: Plasma density from HiPACE++ simulation for a Gaussian beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

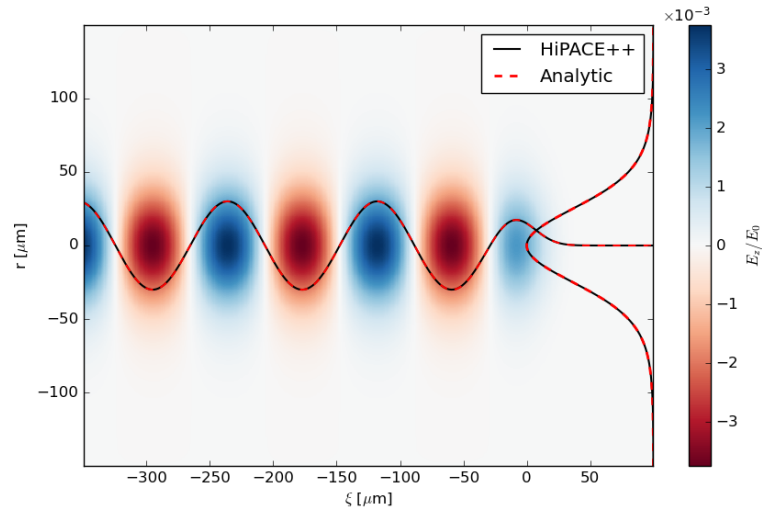


Figure 2: Normalized E_z from HiPACE++ simulation for a Gaussian beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

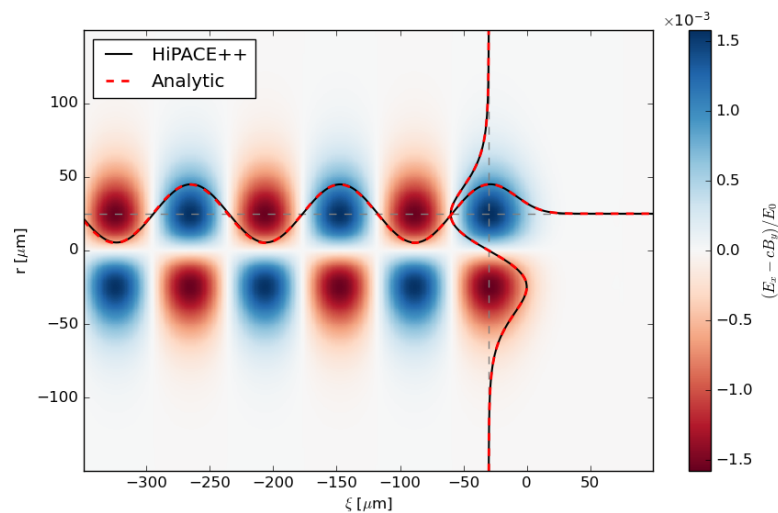


Figure 3: Normalized E_r from HiPACE++ simulation for a Gaussian beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. The longitudinal distribution is off-axis. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

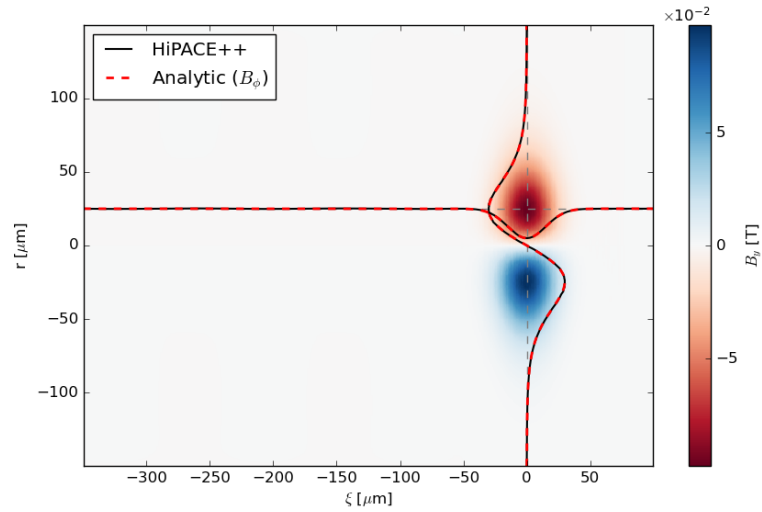


Figure 4: B_ϕ (B_y) from HiPACE++ simulation for a Gaussian beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. The longitudinal distribution is off-axis. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

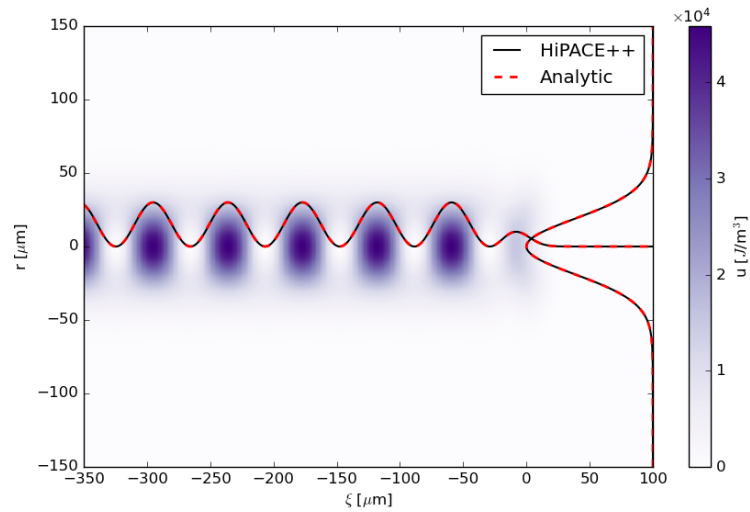


Figure 5: Energy density from HiPACE++ simulation for a Gaussian beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

3.1.2 Witness Beam Loaded

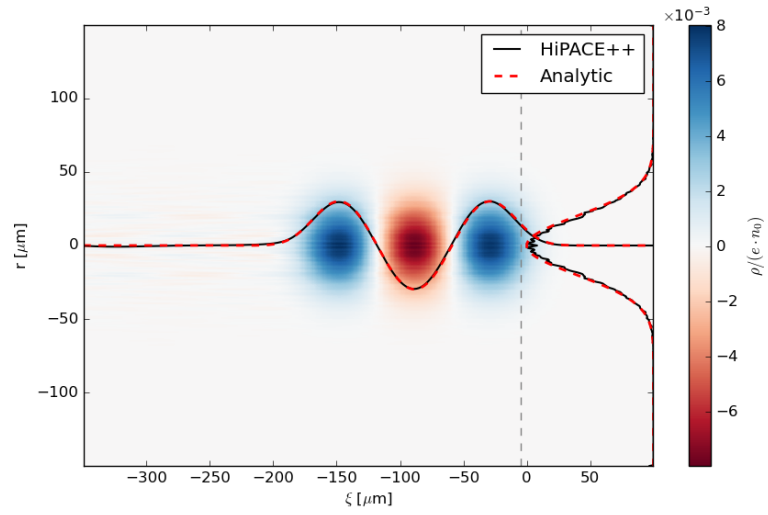


Figure 6: Plasma density from HiPACE++ simulation for two Gaussian beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

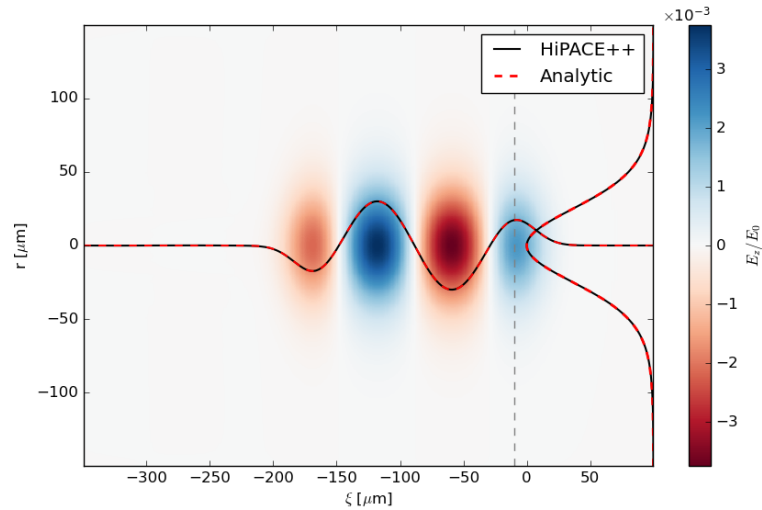


Figure 7: Normalized E_z from HiPACE++ simulation for two Gaussian beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

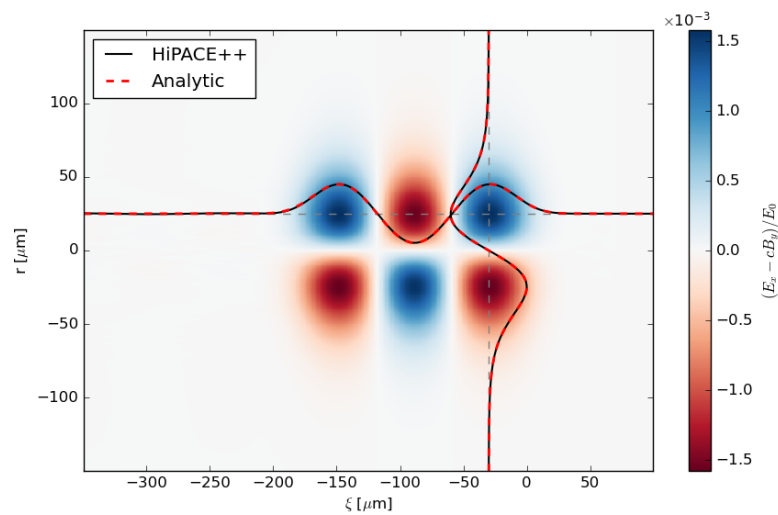


Figure 8: Normalized E_r from HiPACE++ simulation for two Gaussian beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. The longitudinal distribution is off-axis. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

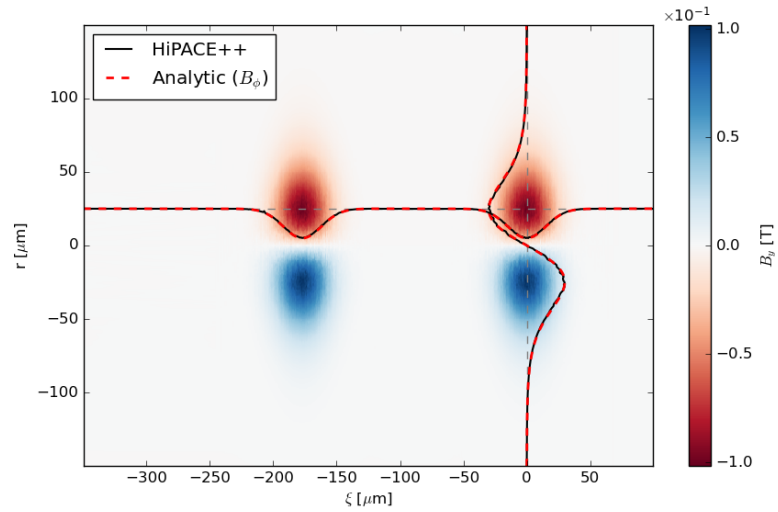


Figure 9: B_ϕ (B_y) from HiPACE++ simulation for two Gaussian beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. The longitudinal distribution is off-axis. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

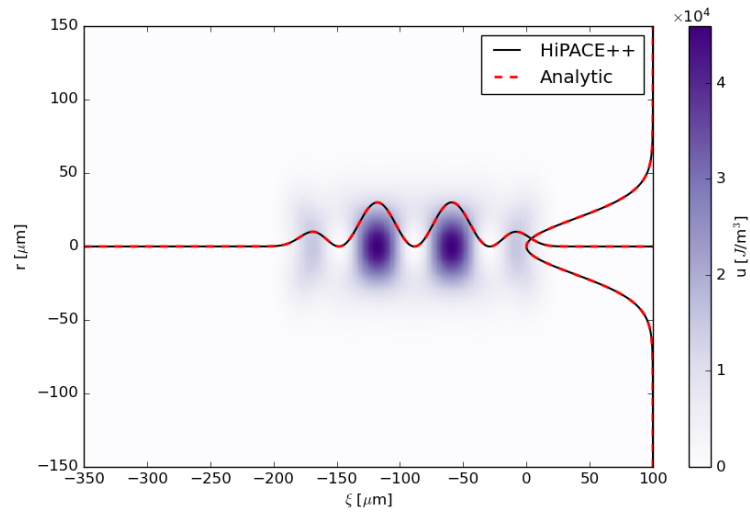


Figure 10: Energy density from HiPACE++ simulation for two Gaussian beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

3.2 Heaviside Beam

For the plots below, the number of electrons in the beam is $N_b = 3.9972510 \times 10^7$.

3.2.1 No Witness Beam

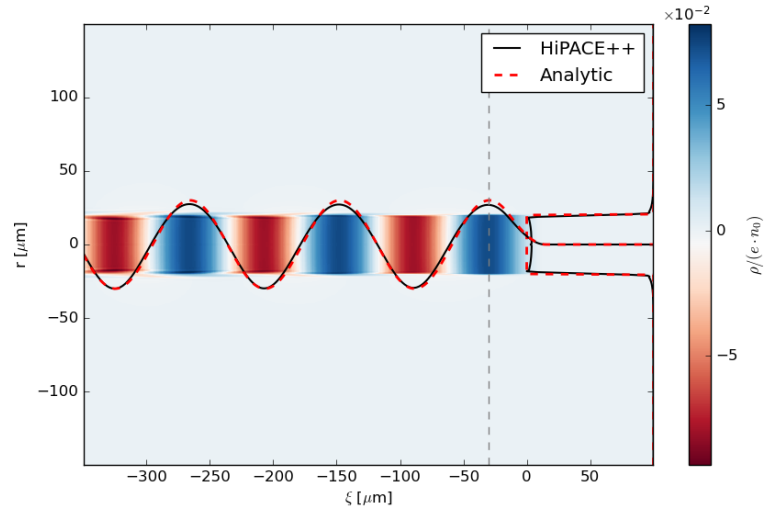


Figure 11: Plasma density from HiPACE++ simulation for a step-function beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

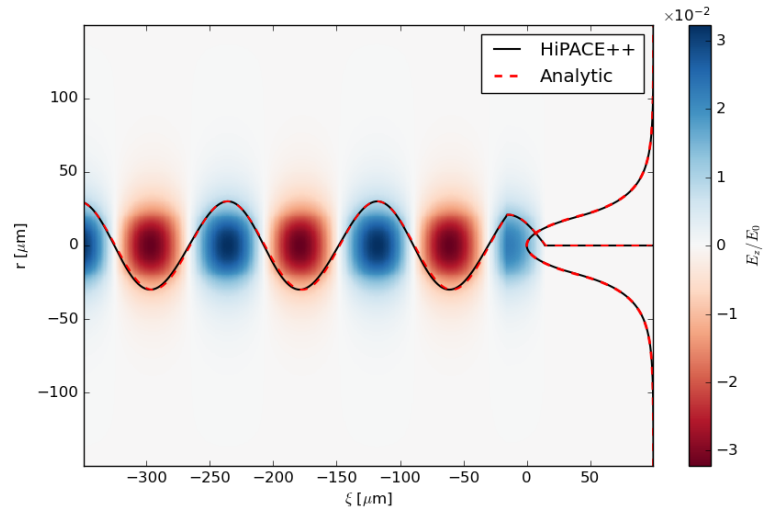


Figure 12: Normalized E_z from HiPACE++ simulation for a step-function beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

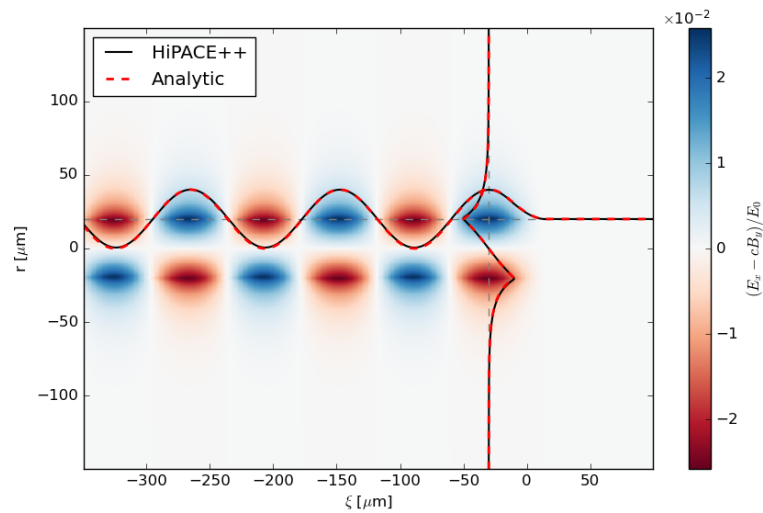


Figure 13: Normalized E_r from HiPACE++ simulation for a step-function beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. The longitudinal distribution is off-axis. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

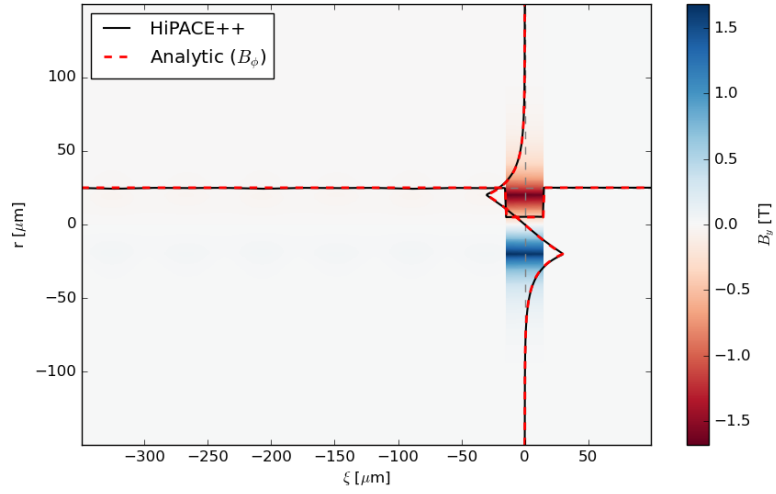


Figure 14: B_ϕ (B_y) from HiPACE++ simulation for a step-function beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. The longitudinal distribution is off-axis. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

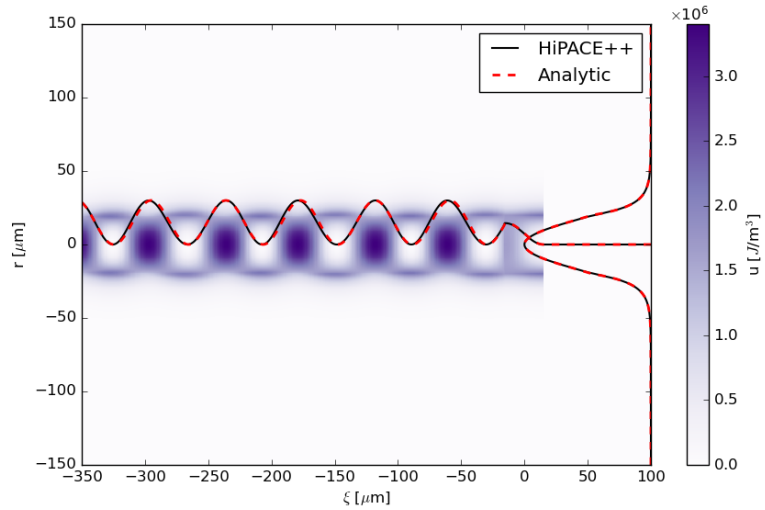


Figure 15: Energy density from HiPACE++ simulation for a step-function beam. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

3.2.2 Witness Beam Loaded

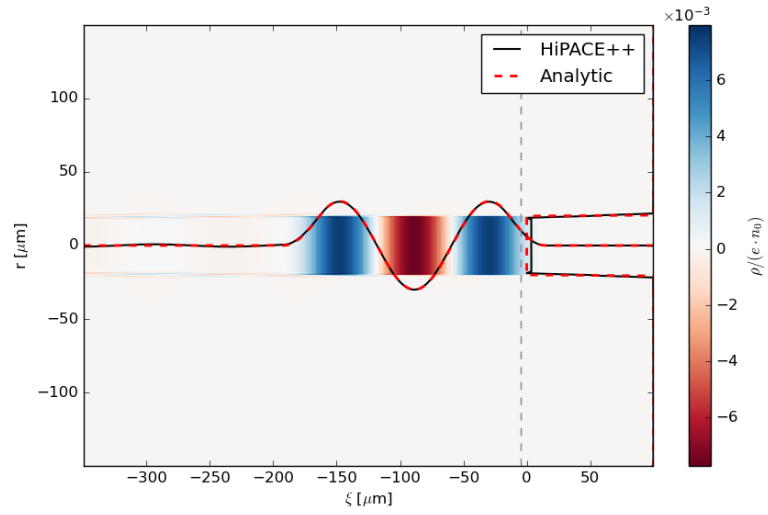


Figure 16: Plasma density from HiPACE++ simulation for two step-function beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

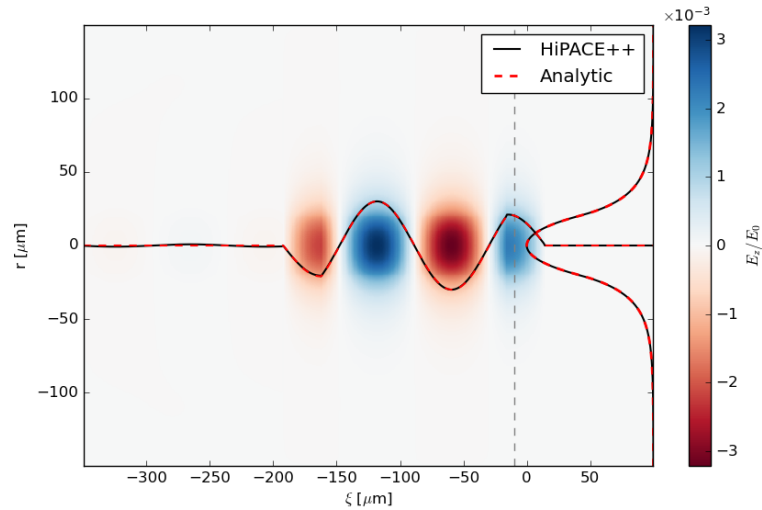


Figure 17: Normalized E_z from HiPACE++ simulation for two step-function beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

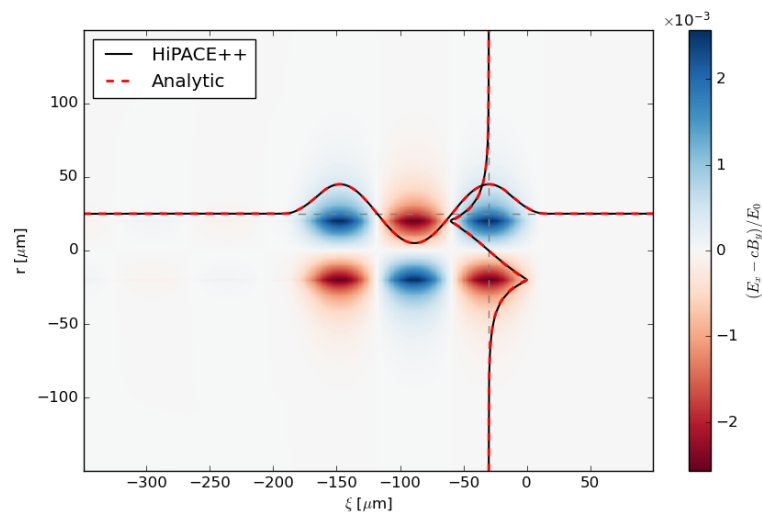


Figure 18: Normalized E_r from HiPACE++ simulation for two step-function beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. The longitudinal distribution is off-axis. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

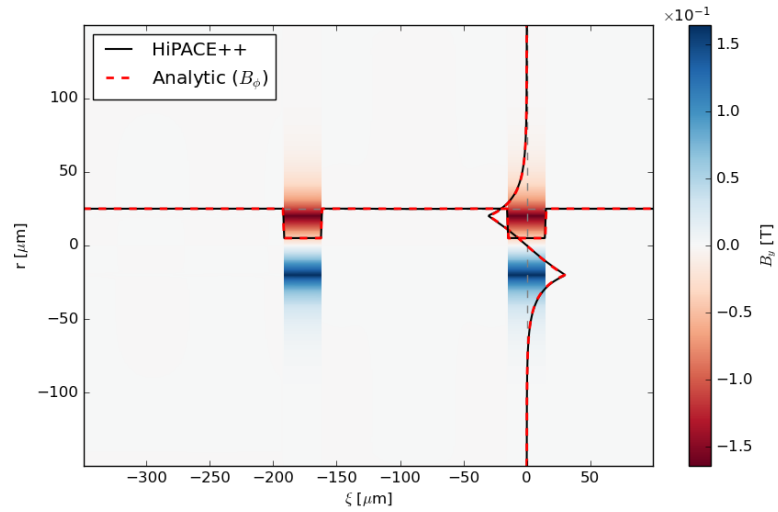


Figure 19: B_ϕ (B_y) from HiPACE++ simulation for two step-function beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red. The longitudinal distribution is off-axis. Gray dashed lines indicate off-axis line out locations.

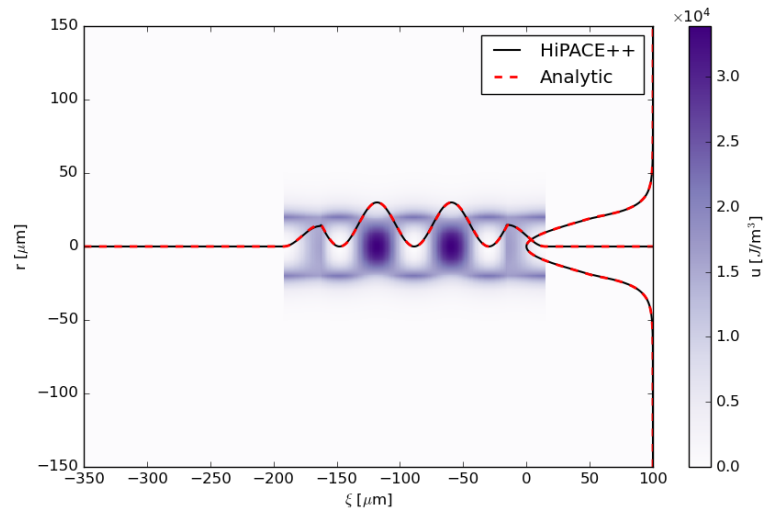


Figure 20: Energy density from HiPACE++ simulation for two step-function beams. Analytical solution line-outs are overlaid in red.

4 Modified Bessel Function Identities

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^\nu I_\nu(x)] = x^\nu I_{\nu-1}(x) \quad (14)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^\nu K_\nu(x)] = -x^\nu K_{\nu-1}(x) \quad (15)$$