



Research and technology development with ultra-intense lasers at ELI-Beamlines-Prague



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Outline

- ELI – Project development
- Ultra-intense laser-matter interaction
 - particle acceleration
 - x-ray generation
 - ultra-relativistic interaction
- ELI-Beamlines facilities
 - Projected Laser Systems
 - ELI experimental areas



PROPOSAL

FOR A EUROPEAN

EXTREME LIGHT INFRASTRUCTURE (ELI)

ELI will be the first infrastructure dedicated to the fundamental study of laser-matter interaction in a new and unsurpassed regime of laser intensity: the ultra-relativistic regime ($I_L > 10^{23}$ W/cm²). At its centre will be an exawatt-class laser ~1000 times more powerful than either the Laser Mégajoule in France or the National Ignition Facility (NIF) in the US. In contrast to these projects, ELI will attain its extreme power from the shortness of its pulses (femtosecond and attosecond). The infrastructure will serve to investigate a new generation of compact accelerators delivering energetic particle and radiation beams of femtosecond (10^{-15} s) to attosecond (10^{-18} s) duration. Relativistic compression offers the potential of intensities exceeding $I_L > 10^{25}$ W/cm², which will challenge the vacuum critical field as well as provide a new avenue to ultrafast attosecond to zeptosecond (10^{-21} s) studies of laser-matter interaction. ELI will afford wide benefits to society ranging from improvement of oncology treatment, medical imaging, fast electronics and our understanding of aging nuclear reactor materials to development of new methods of nuclear waste processing.

The ELI-central laser facility will finally allow to go to
the ultra-relativistic interaction regime,
Peak-Power 200 PW - the dream



Today with careful design of dispersion and broad band laser materials pulses in the sub-20fs with 10s of Joules of energy can be generated direct laser amplification or through

CPA or

OPCPA (A. Piskarskas group, 1992)

PW- regime ($I > 10^{22} \text{W/cm}^2$)

Extreme-Light-Infrastructure (ELI) European project
System with 200 PW is in planning (composed of 10-20 PW beamlines)

Exawatts may require new approaches using plasmas as a Nondestructible amplifying and reflecting medium (Raman amplification)



ELI-PP Start November 2007
End December 2010

13 countries on board:
CZ, Hu, Ro, Fr, Ge, UK, I, Lith., Gr,
Pl
Sp, Bu, Po

Initial EU funding 6 Mio € to facilitate:

- science program develop.
- technical design (TDR)
- safety&radioprotection
- site choice
- legal structure
- governance
- financial planning
- funding

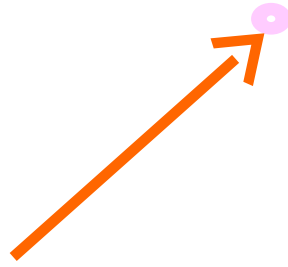


Site selection: decision on 1.10.2009

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Prague**



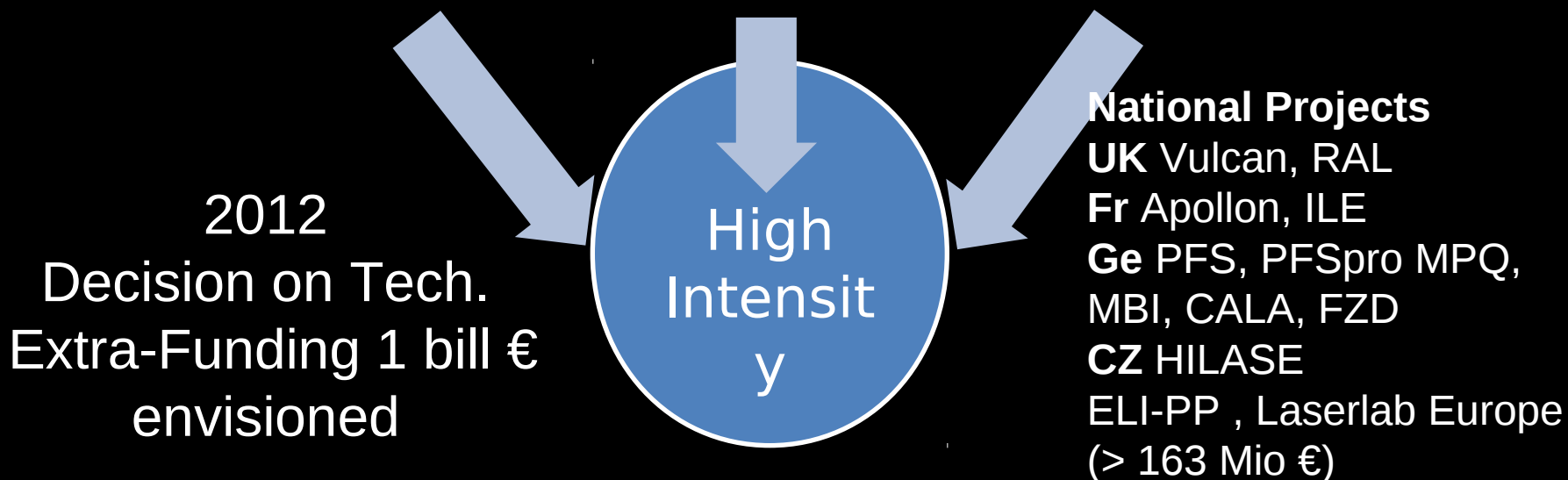
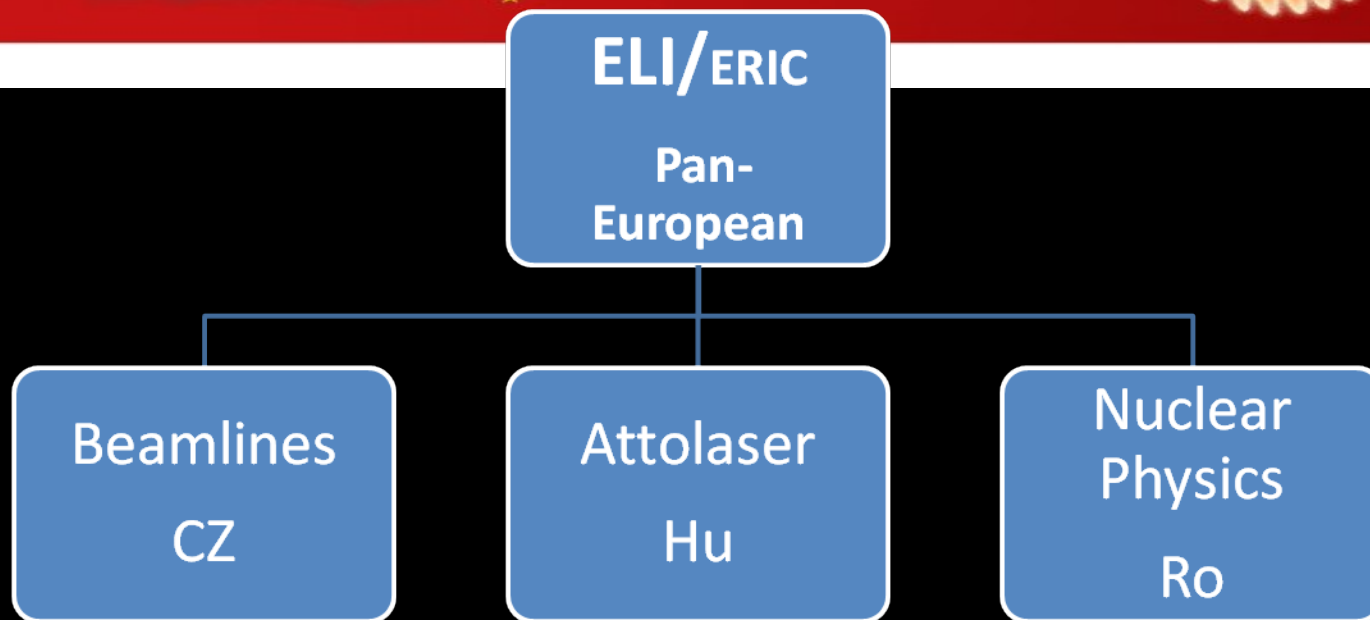
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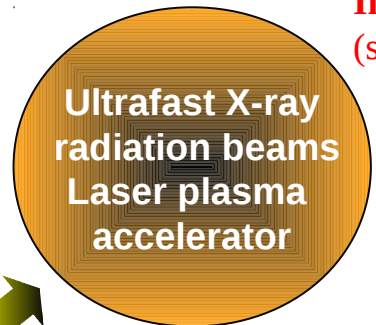
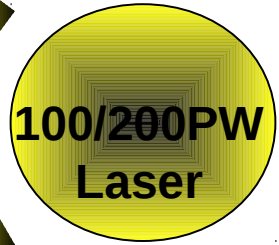
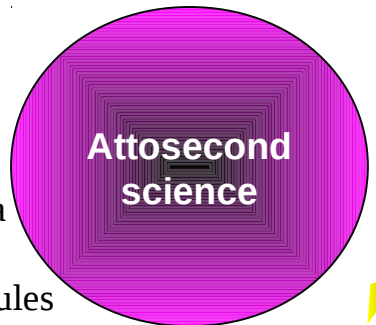
Overall cost: ≈ 750M€





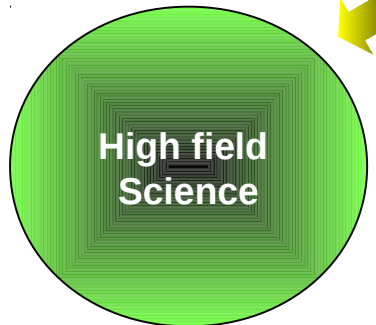
Scientific "pillars" of ELI

Attosecond
to zeptosecond
Physics
Application
Ultrafast phenomena
Wave function
in atoms and molecules

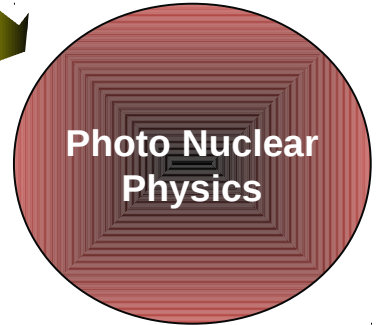


Coherent (X,g)-rays
(FEL, HHG & plasma)
Incoherent (X,g)-rayBeams
(synchrotron-like, atomic)

Beam lines facility
Electron beams
Gamma imaging
Proton beams
Synchronized with
optical driver beams



NLQED
**Fundamental
physics**
Exotic physics



Nuclear Physics





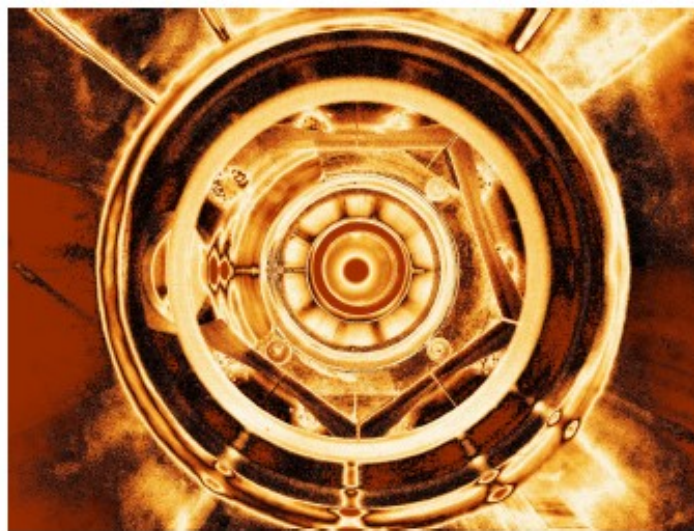
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Science, technology
and implementation
strategies of ELI

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Science and Technology with
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Electron-, Proton- and X-ray Beamlines developments are directly connected with some applications

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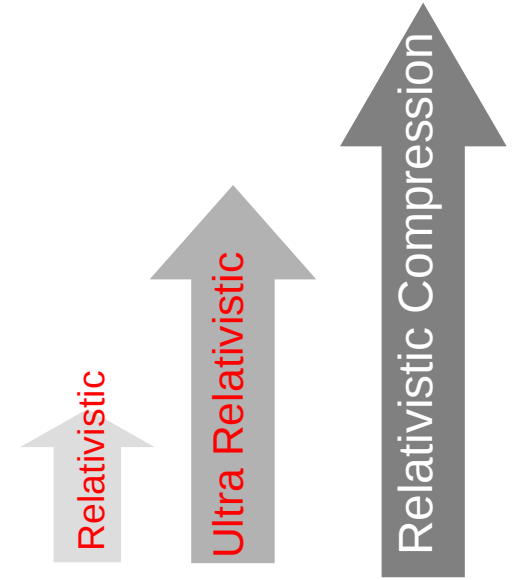
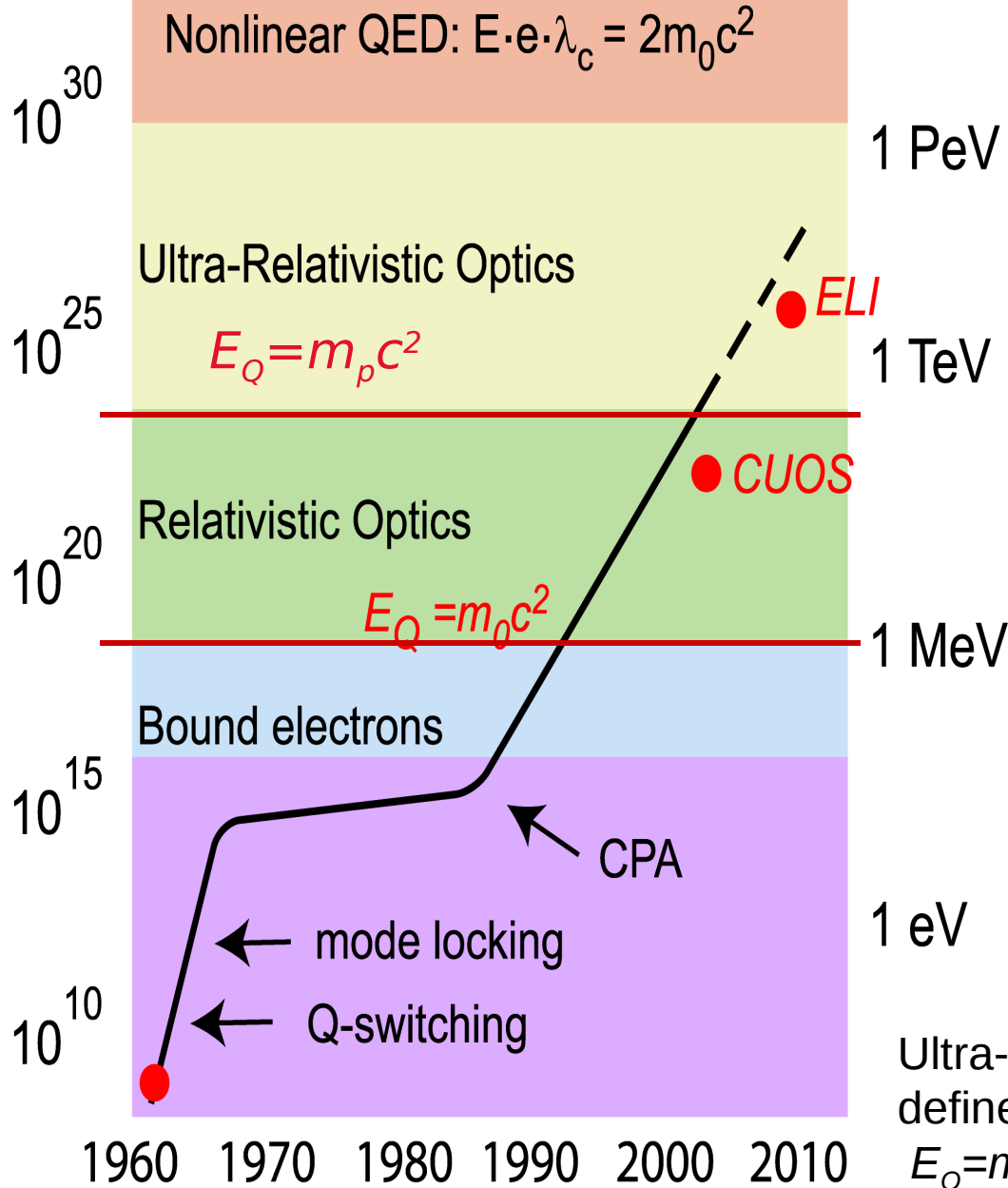
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in Physics would be to built
A laser powerful enough to
breakdown vacuum.*

Survey by “Science” 2005

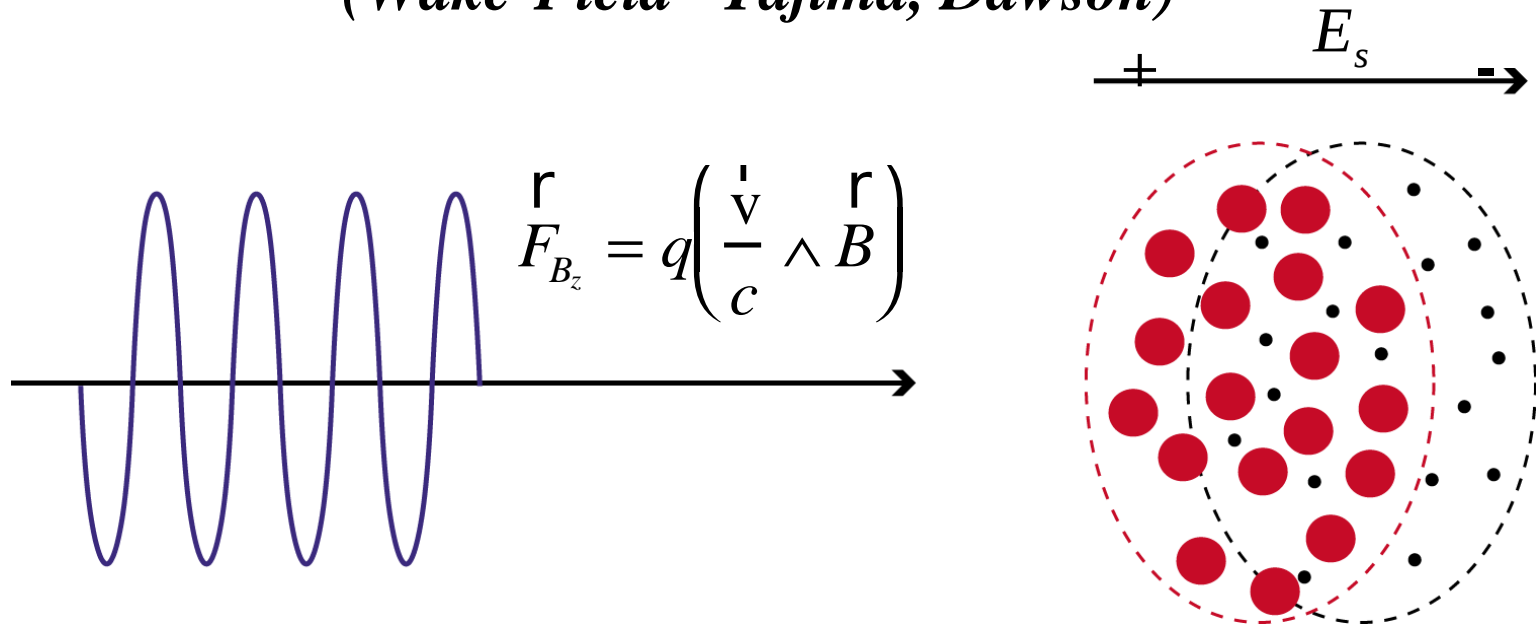
Focused Intensity (W/cm^2)



Ultra-relativistic intensity is defined with respect to the proton $E_Q = m_p c^2$, intensity $\sim 10^{24} \text{W}/\text{cm}^2$

Relativistic Rectification

(Wake-Field Tajima, Dawson)



$$\mathbf{r} F_{B_z} = q \left(\frac{\dot{\mathbf{v}}}{c} \wedge \mathbf{B} \right)$$

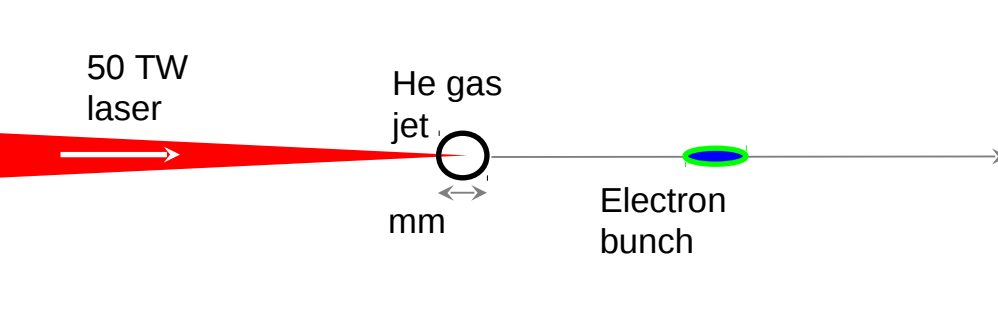
1) $\dot{\mathbf{v}} \wedge \mathbf{B}$ pushes the electrons.

2) The charge separation generates an electrostatic longitudinal field. (Tajima and Dawson: Wake Fields or Snow Plough)

$$E_s = \frac{c \gamma m_o \omega_p}{e} = \sqrt{4 \pi \gamma m_o c^2 n_e}$$

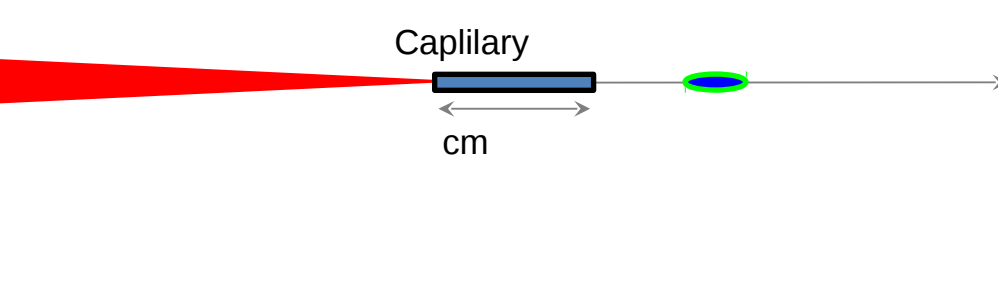
3) The electrostatic field $\mathbf{E}_s \approx \mathbf{E}_L$

Plasma wave acceleration : State of the art

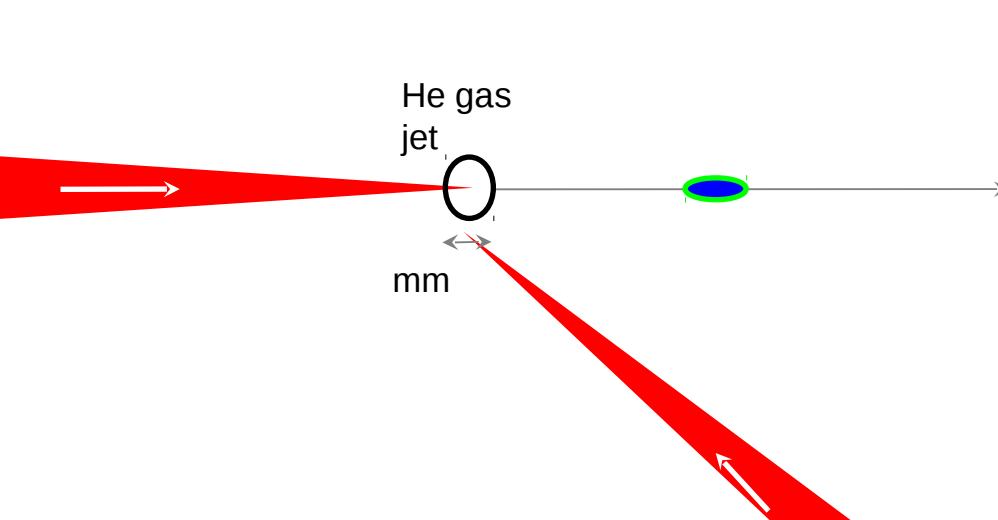


Energy: up to 200 MeV
Spectrum: Monochromatic or broadband
Charge: up to a few 100s pC
Divergence: a few mrad
Duration: fs

Faure et al., Nature 2004, Mangles et al, Nature 2004, Geddes et al, Nature 2004



Energy: up to 1 GeV
Spectrum: Monochromatic
Charge: up to a few 10s pC
Divergence: a few mrad
Duration: fs
Leemans et al, Nature Phys, 2006



Energy: up to 200 MeV
Spectrum: Monochromatic tunable
Charge: up to a few 10s pC
Divergence: a few mrad
Duration: fs
Faure et al, Nature, 2006

Goal ELI > 10 GeV



Secondary effects of
electron acceleration:

X-ray Beam

(compact laser driven X-FEL, betatron
radiation,..)

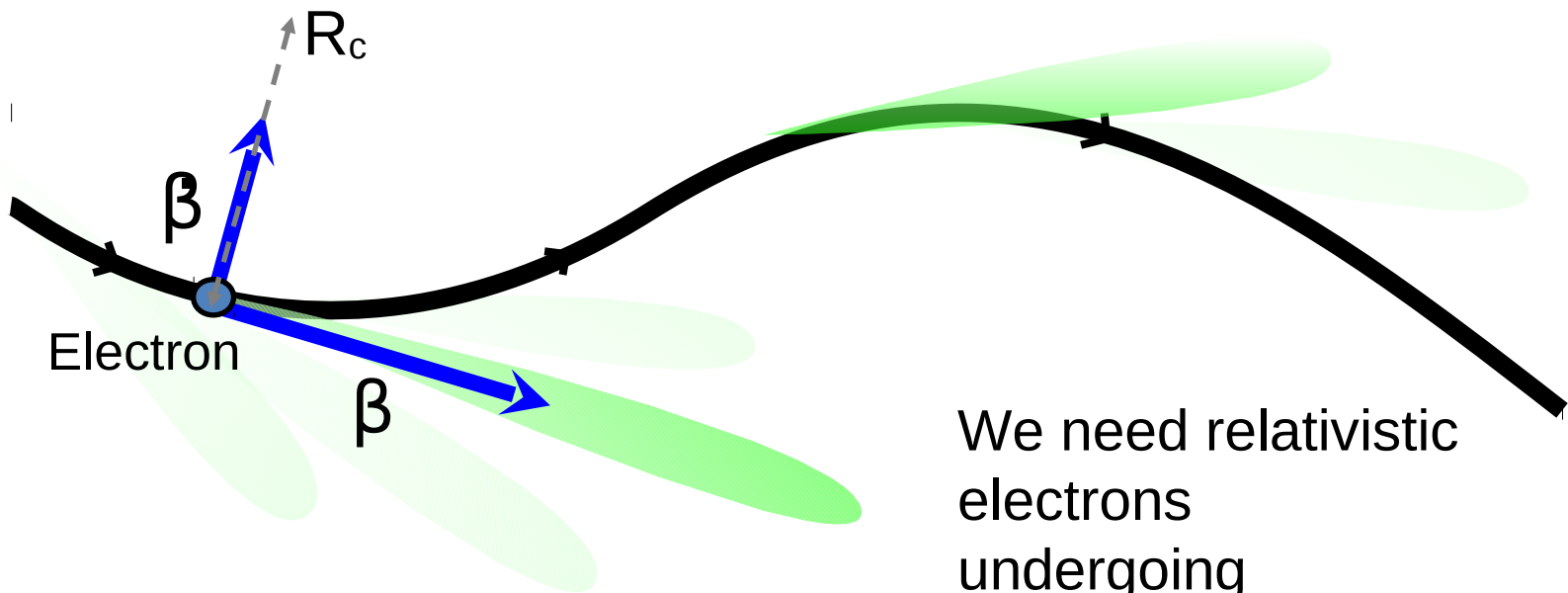
Moving charge radiation



$$\frac{d^2 I}{d\omega d\Omega} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi^2 c} \left| \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{i\omega[t - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{r}(t)/c]} \frac{\vec{n} \times [(\vec{n} - \vec{\beta}) \times \dot{\vec{\beta}}]}{(1 - \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{n})^2} dt \right|$$

Velocity
Acceleration

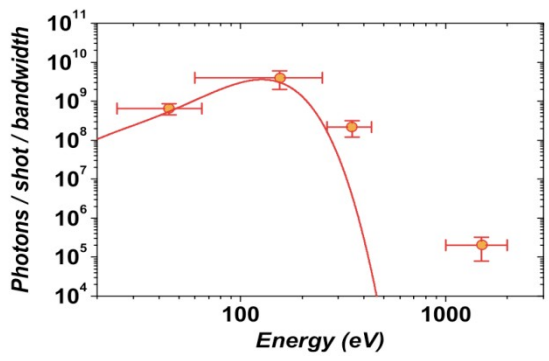
Radiated energy



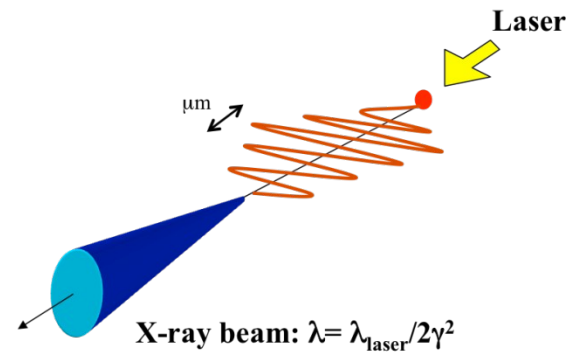
We need relativistic electrons undergoing oscillations

X-rays from relativistic e-beams : techniques

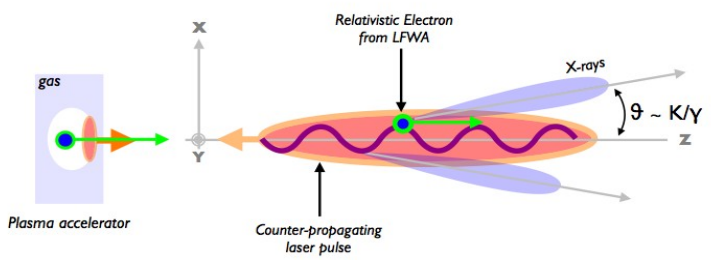
Non-linear Thomson scattering



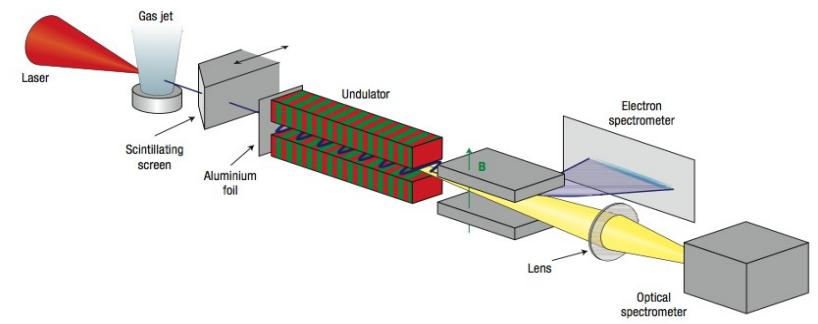
Betatron radiation



Thomson Backscattering



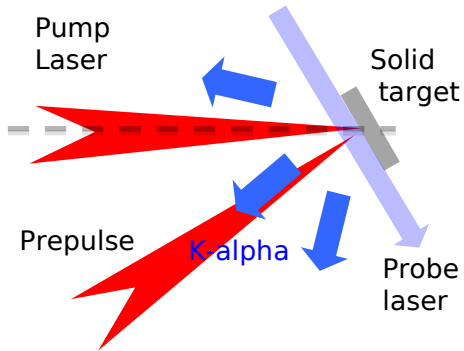
Classical undulator



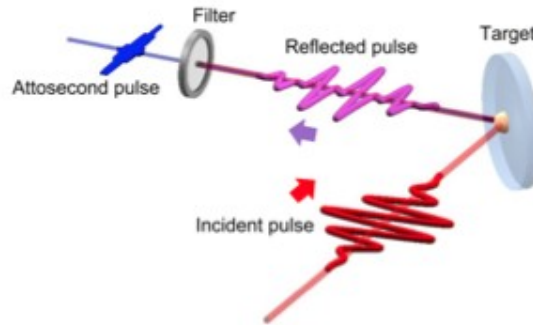
Laser-driven x-rays : several approaches



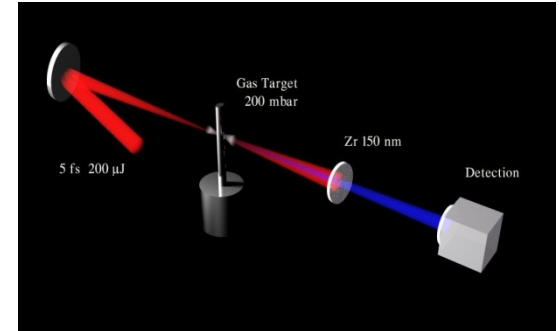
K-alpha emission



Harmonics (solid)

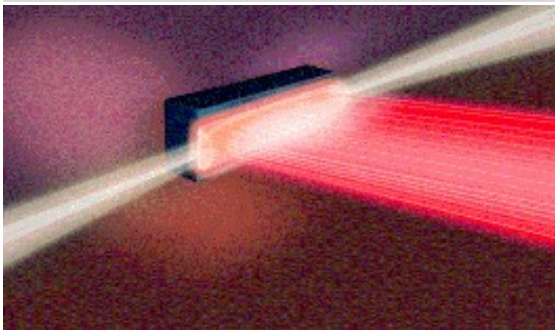


Harmonics (gas)

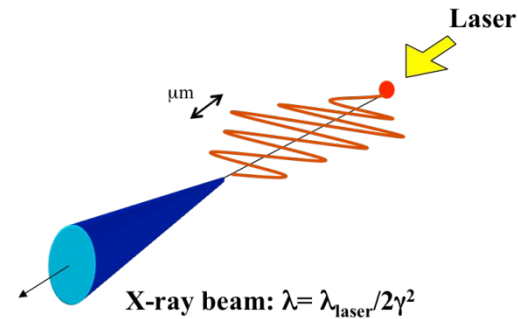


Relativistic mirror concept,
S. Bulanov..., PRL 2003

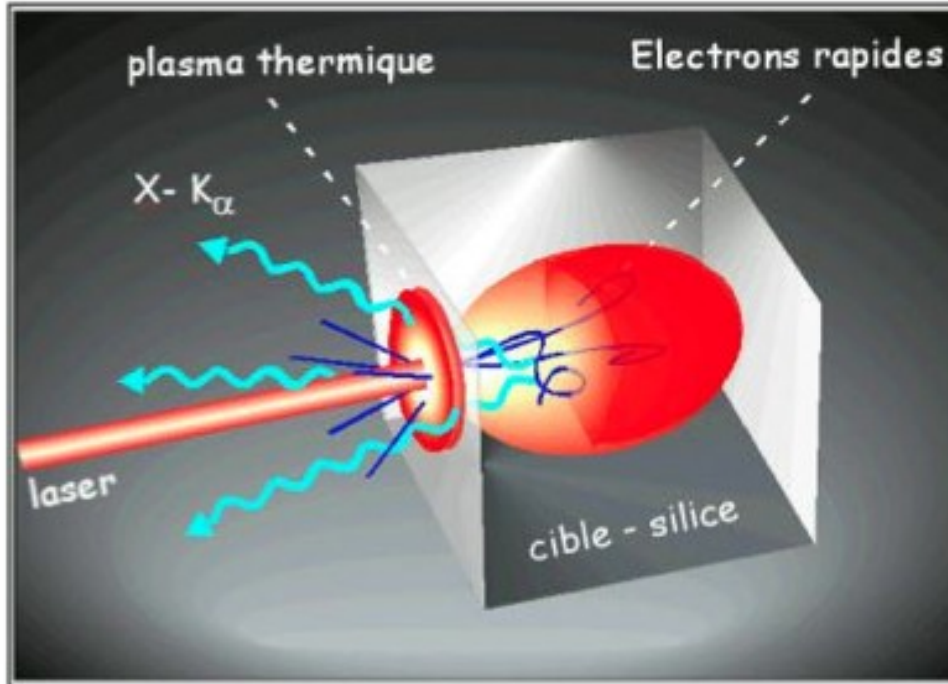
Plasma based x-ray lasers



X-rays from relativistic e-beams



K-alpha emission : easy and ultrafast x-ray source



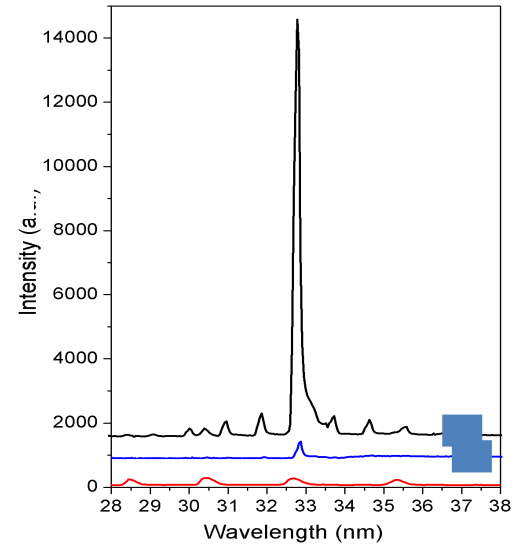
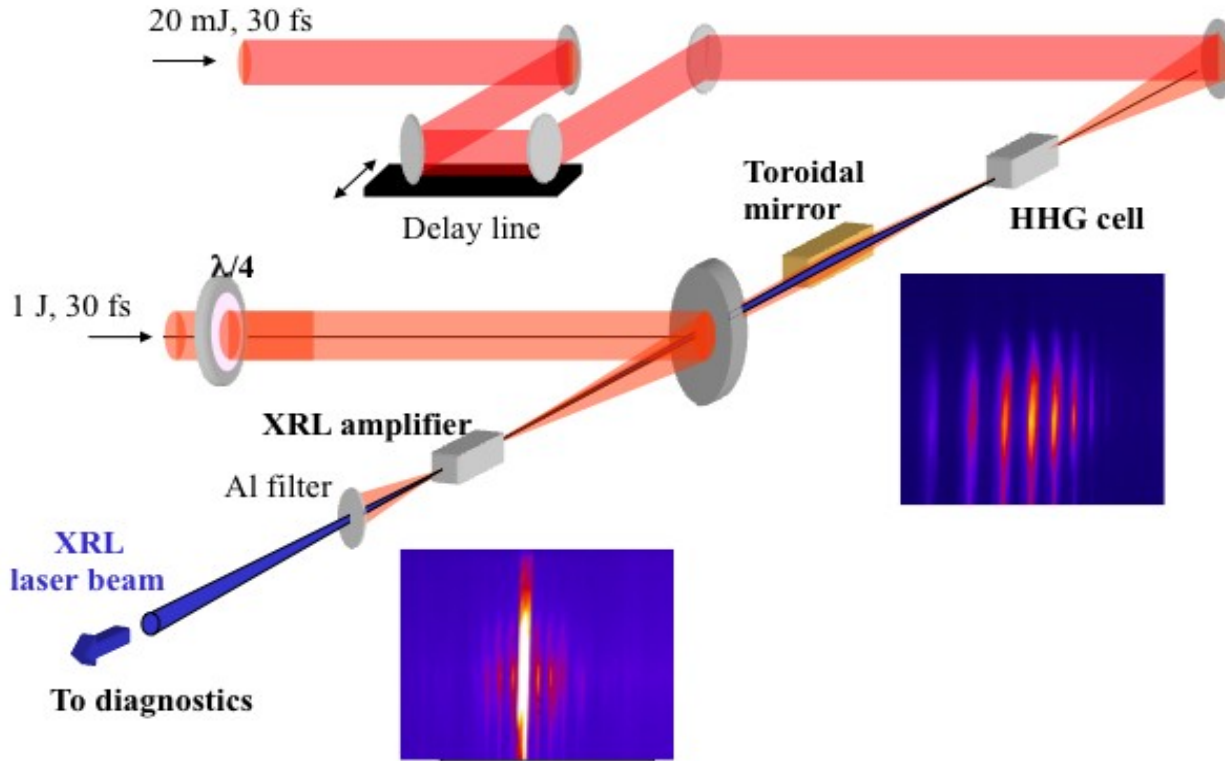
- Monochromatic
- Fully divergent
- Duration 100 fs
- KHz rep. rate
- Flux : 1e9 ph/shot

Main limitations : tunability, polychromaticity, divergence

Performances of HHG sources (gas)

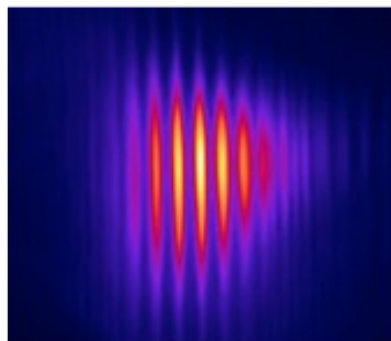
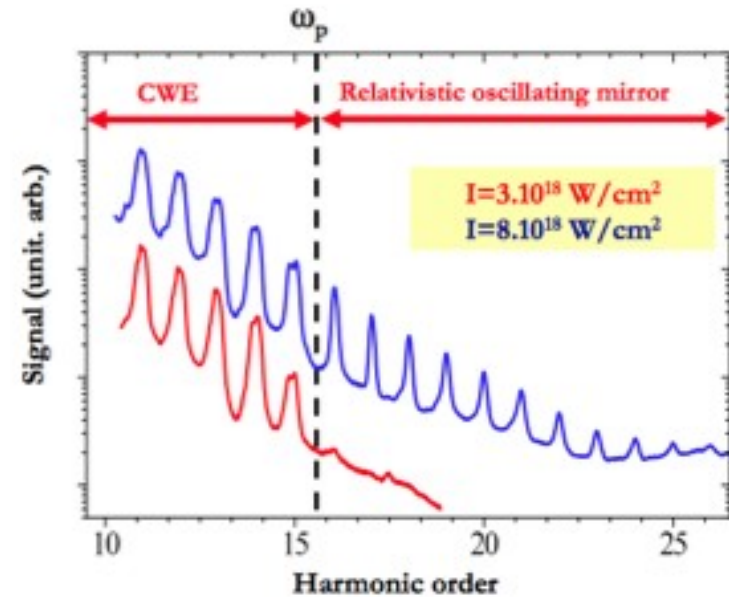
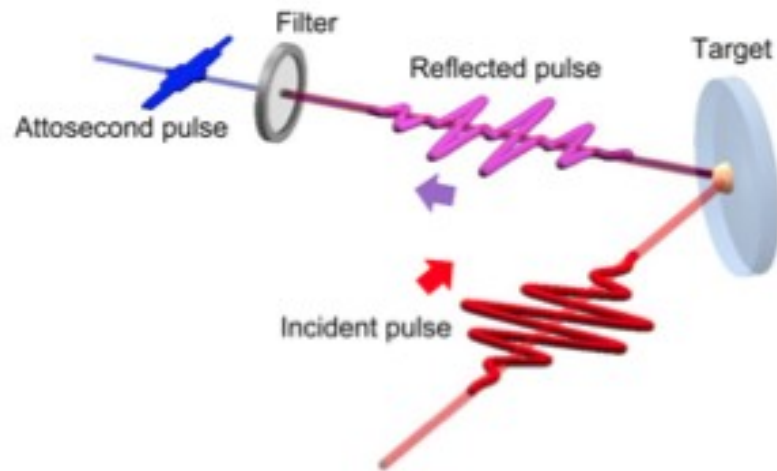
	kHz, 1 mJ	kHz, 100 mJ
Wavelength	10 -60 nm	10 -60 nm
Photons/shot	10^7 to 10^9 at 10 Hz	few 10^{11} - 10^{12}
$\Delta\lambda/\lambda$	10^{-2}	10^{-2}
Divergence	<1 mrad	<1 mrad
Spatial profil	Gaussian-like	Gaussian-like
Wavefront	$\lambda/10$	$\lambda/10$
Duration	Sub fs	Sub fs
Transverse coherence	High	High
Long. coherence	OK	OK
Polarization	Linear	Linear

Seeded soft x-ray lasers : principle



Harmonics from solid target plasma

S. V. Bulanov, T. Esirkepov, and T. Tajima, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 085001 (2003)



- Coherent and colimated down $\lambda = 25$ nm
- 10-20 μ J per pulse in H10-H12
- potentiality of attoseconde pulses (10^{-18} s)
- Potentialité de source kHz (démontré au LOA)

Harmonics from solids

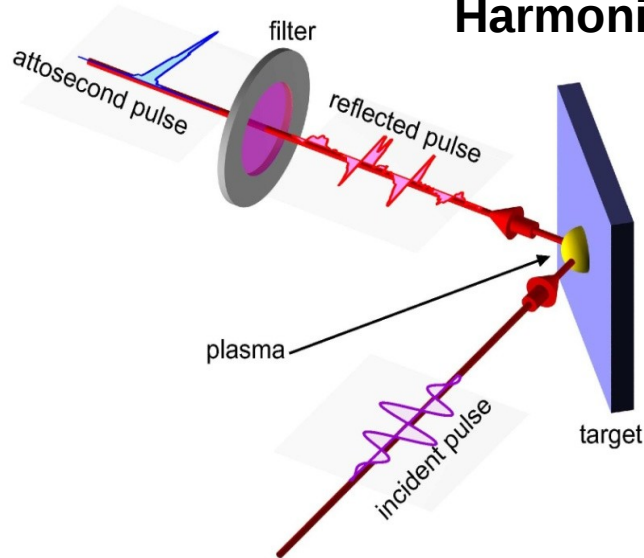


Fig. 1: Schematic showing the proposed experimental configuration for the generation of attosecond pulses using

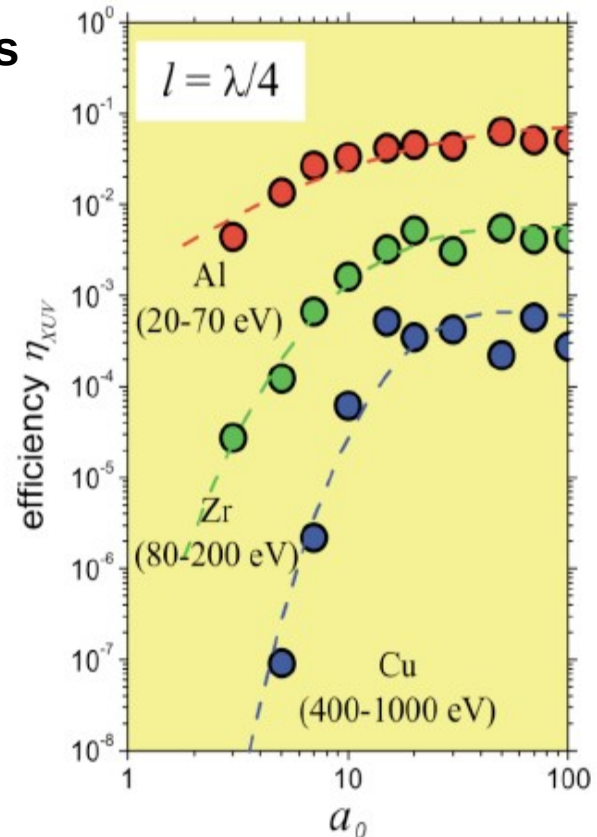
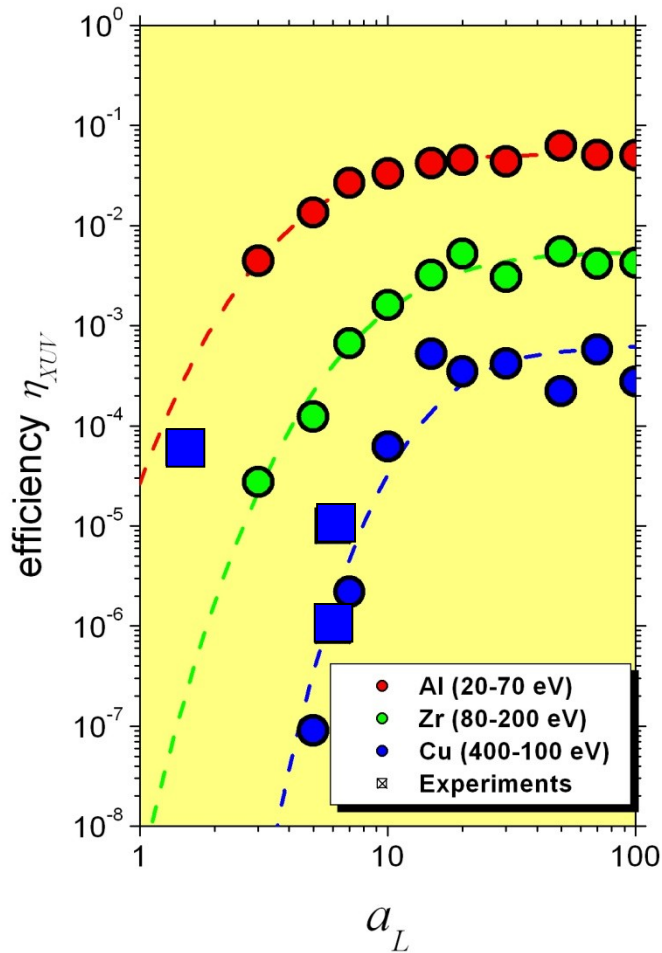


Fig. 3: Efficiency of the laser into attosecond XUV pulse conversion as a function of the normalized field amplitude.

Attosecond phase-locking of harmonics from laser dr. plasmas
 Nature Physics 5, 124 - 128 (2009)

Spectral range	Number of photons	Pulse duration
20-70 eV (Al filter)	$\sim 7 * 10^{15}$	~ 80 as
80-200 eV (Zr filter)	$\sim 2 * 10^{14}$	~ 40 as
400-1000 eV (Cu filter)	$\sim 2 * 10^{12}$	~ 5 as



ELI front end unit: 1 J, 5 fs , 10 Hz

Focal spot $d_s = 10 \mu\text{m}$

$I_L = 2.5 \times 10^{20} \text{ W/cm}^2 \rightarrow a_L \sim 11$

Spectral range	Number of photons	Pulse duration
20-70 eV (Al filter)	$\sim 7 * 10^{15}$	84 as
80-200 eV (Zr filter)	$\sim 2 * 10^{14}$	38 as
400-1000 eV (Cu filter)	$\sim 2 * 10^{12}$	5 as

■ Y. Nomura *et al.*, Nature Phys. 5, 124 (2009)

■ B. Dromey *et al.*, Nature Phys. 2, 456 (2006)

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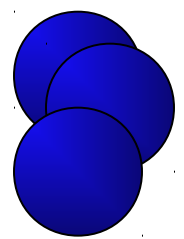
Secondary effects of
electron acceleration:

Proton Acceleration

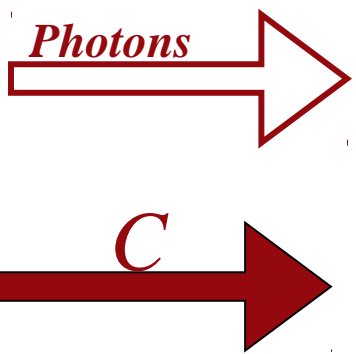
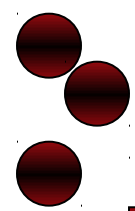


Relativistic Protons

Non relativistic



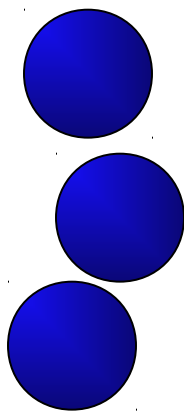
$$V_p \sim 0$$



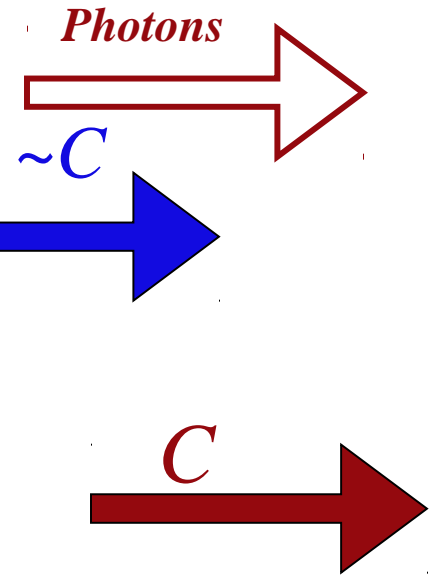
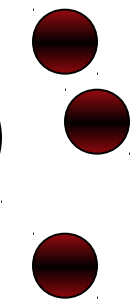
$$E_p \sim I^{1/2}$$

Target Normal
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Relativistic protons

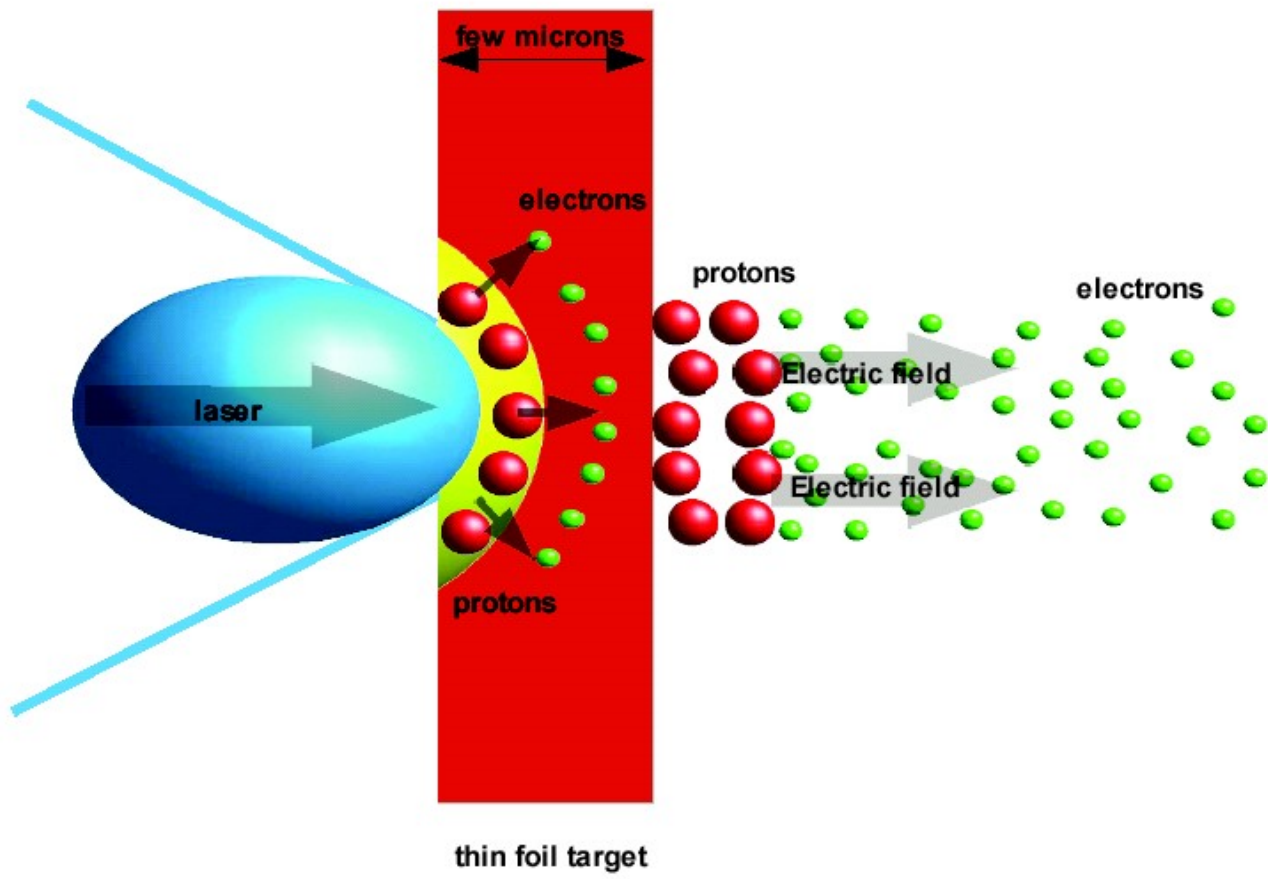


$$V_p \sim C$$



$$E_p \sim I$$

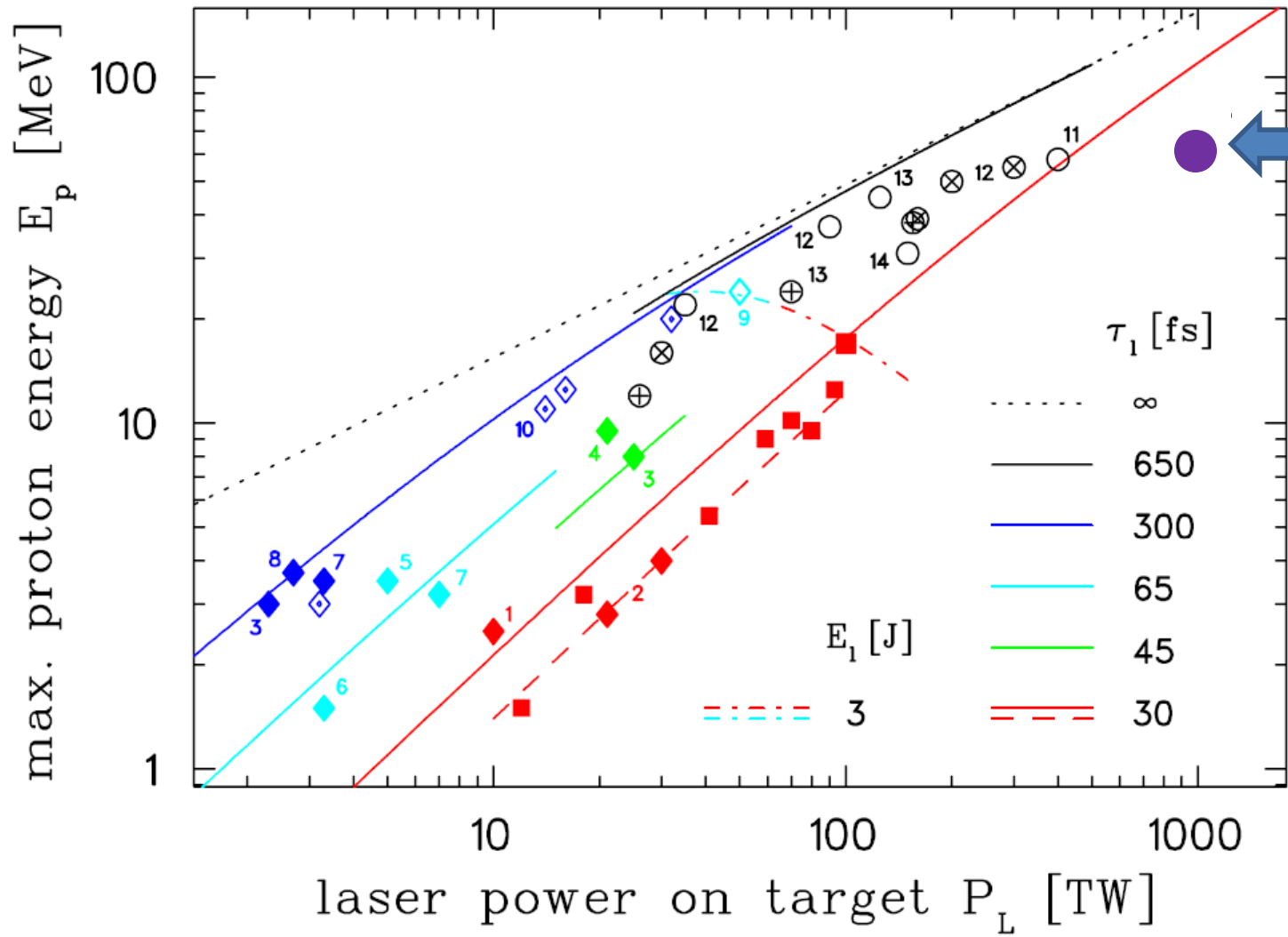
at very high
intensities, light
pressure accelerates
S. V. Bulanov ...



Peak energy scales as : $E_M \sim (I_L \times \tau)^{1/2}$

Proton acceleration scaling laws: TNSA experiments

European Project



ELI-MED goal:
60 MeV
@ 1PW (10Hz)
~ 30fs

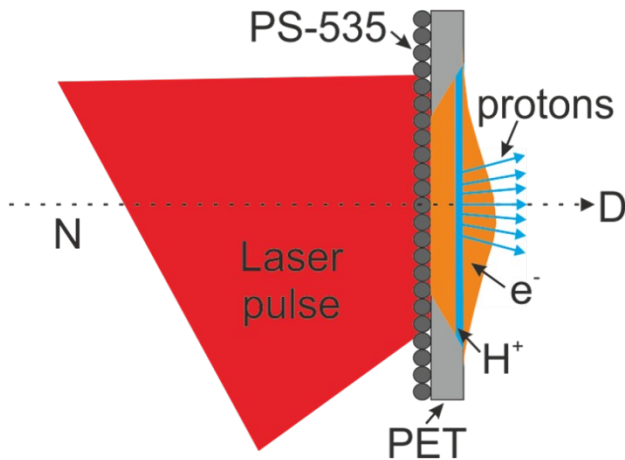
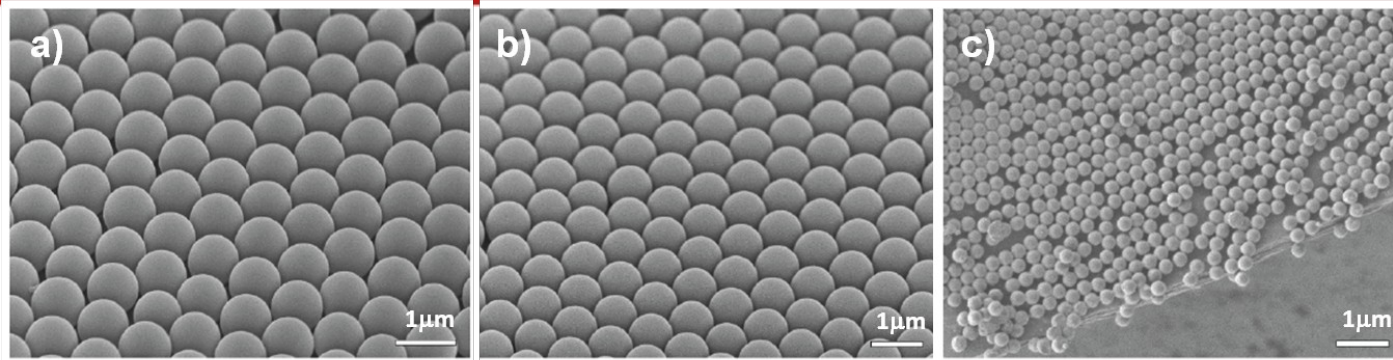
One way: enhanced TNSA by nanostructured thin foils

European Project

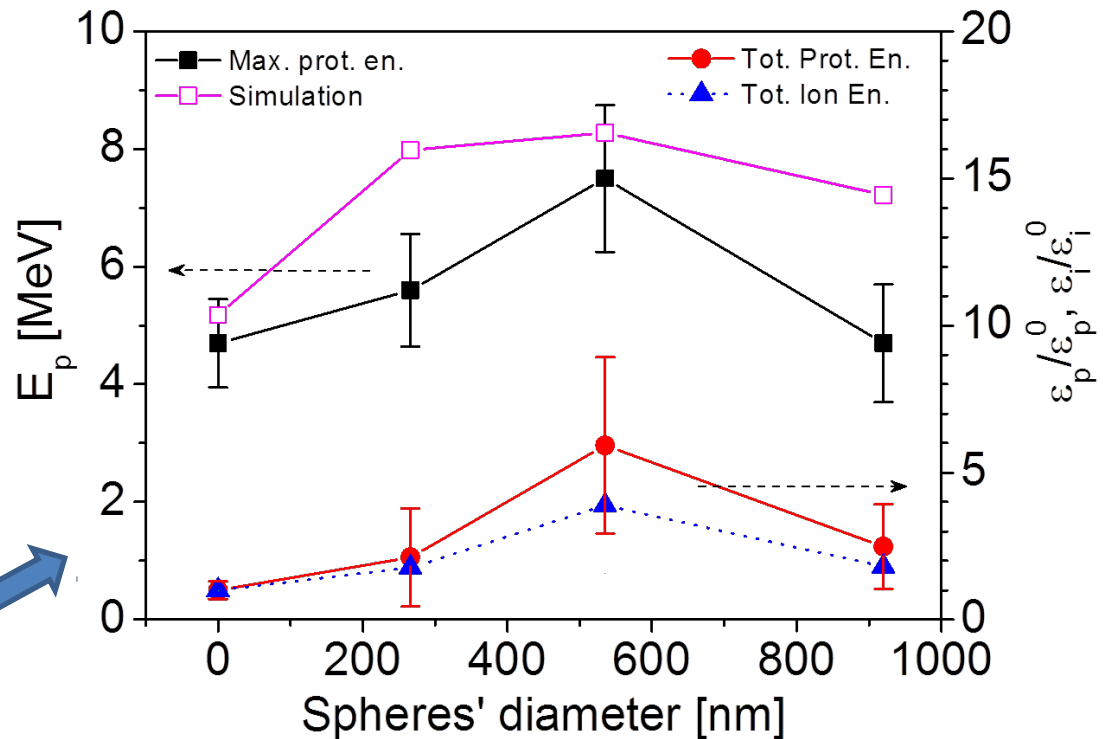
$\Phi=266$ nm

$\Phi=535$ nm

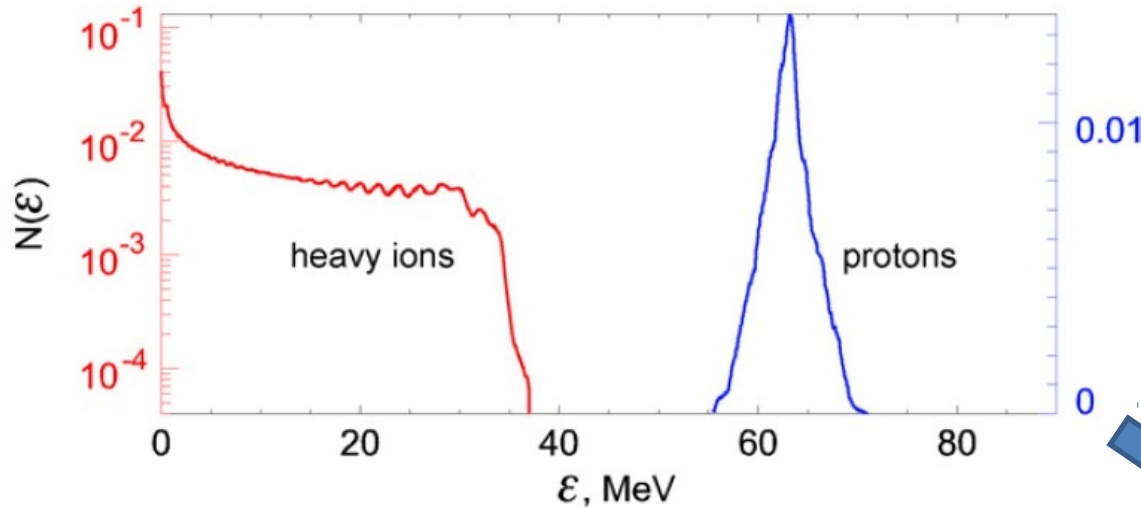
$\Phi=920$ nm



Laser: Ti:Sapphire @APRI-GIST
Power: 50 TW (on target)
Intensity: 5×10^{19} W/cm²
Contrast: 10^{11} @1-ps



Another way: double-layer target in the Coulomb explosion regime



T. Esirkepov et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 89 175003

H. Daido, M. Nishiuchi and A. Pirozhkov, Rep. Prog. Phys. 75 (2012) 056401

Figure 11. The proton (blue line) and heavy ion (red line) energy spectra at $t = 80 \times 2\pi/\omega_0$ from the 3D PIC simulations. The laser pulse is linearly polarized, $a_0 = 30$, $c\tau_0 = 15\lambda_0$, $r_0 = 12\lambda_0$, the incidence is normal. The mass-limited double-layer target consists of the first gold layer (a $10\lambda_0$ diameter disc with $l_1 = 0.5\lambda_0$, $m_i = 195.4m_p$, $Z_i = 2$, $n_{e1} = 9n_{cr}$) and the second proton layer (a $5\lambda_0$ diameter disc with $l_2 = 0.03\lambda_0$, $n_{e2} = 0.28n_{cr}$). Reprinted with permission from Esirkepov *et al* (2002).

Energy requirement for eye tumor treatment!

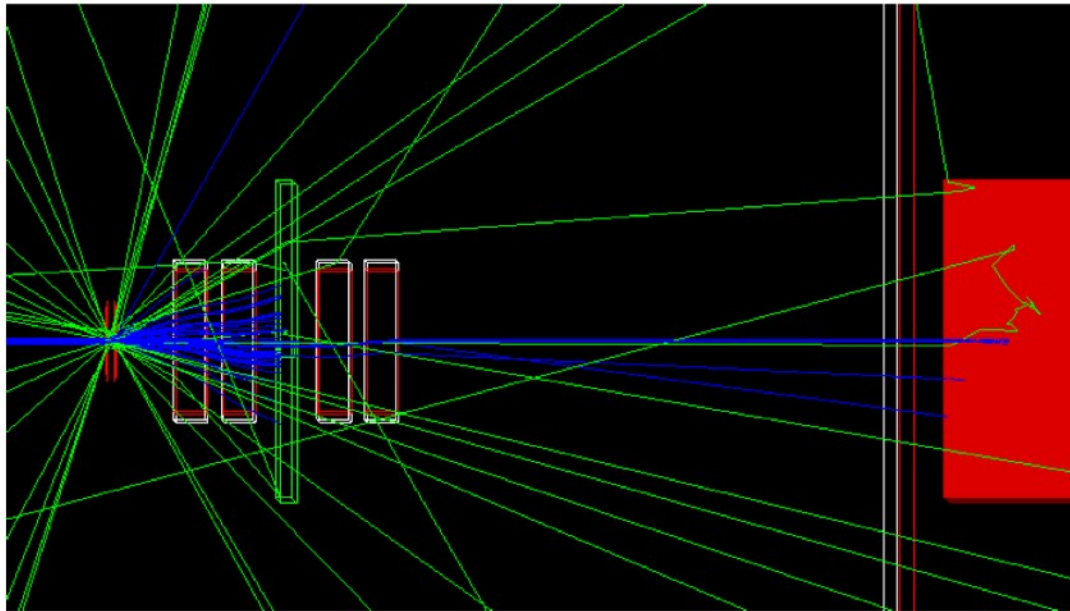
Preliminary experimental tests with our ultrathin double-layer targets performed @APRI-GIST have already shown **40 MeV in a recent campaign** proton beams @ **~ 200 TW** laser power (on target)

ELI-MED:

Laser-driven proton beam transport and Monte Carlo simulations

Preliminary simulations of a possible particle selection system and first dosimetric studies

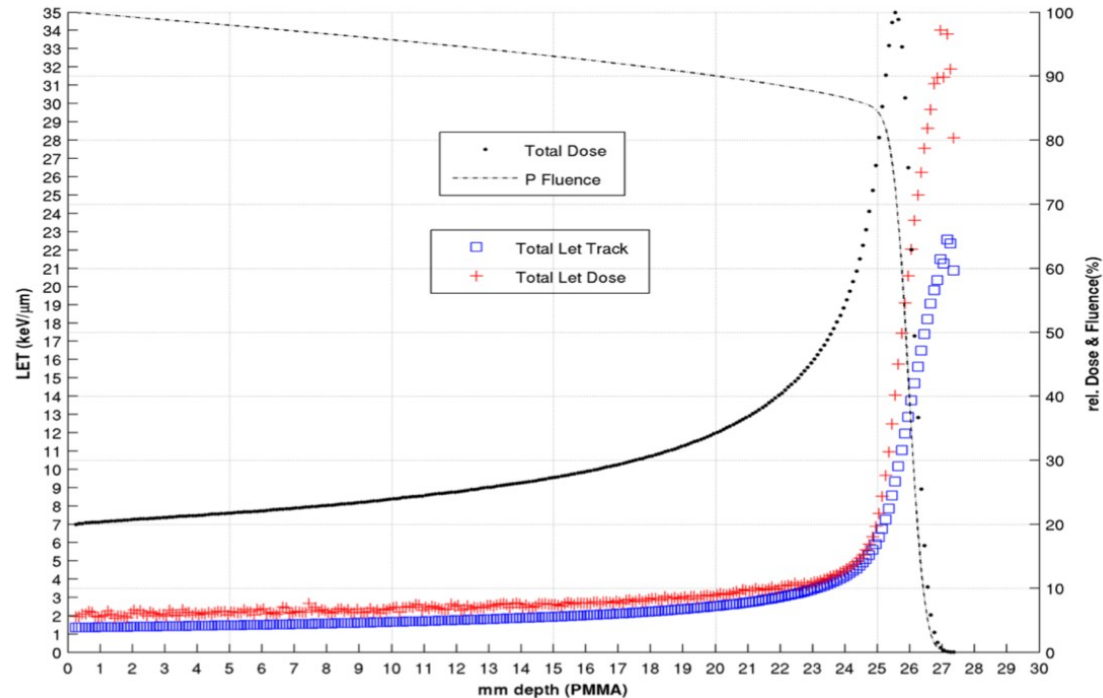
- Proton max energy up to 60 MeV
- Maximum energy spread 30% (in the first ELIMED phase)



- Gamma, neutrons production
- Any hadronic interaction can be taken into account
- Shielding evaluations
- Dose and biological effects evaluations

ELI-MED: dedicated Monte Carlo software tools in development

- Simulations for the design and optimisation of the in-air transport beam line (before the irradiation point)
- Dose distributions calculation (from primary beam and unwanted secondary radiations) at the irradiation point
- LET and RBE estimations



Example of fluence (dash), dose (dot) and LET (red and blue crosses) distributions in water calculated for a 60 MeV proton beam with the Monte Carlo tool dedicated to ELIMED



Strong Field Limits in the Ultra-Relativistic Interaction of Electrons with Electro-Magnetic Waves in Plasmas



Fundamental intensity dependent regimes of interaction

Amplitude	Intensity	Regime
$a_0 = \frac{eE_0}{m_e c \omega}$	$\frac{W}{cm^2}$	
$a_{QED} = \frac{m_e c^2}{h \omega}$	2.4×10^{29}	e^+, e^- in vacuum
$a_{QM} = \frac{2e^2 m_e c}{3h^2 \omega}$	5.6×10^{24}	quantum effects
$a_p = \frac{m_p}{m_e}$	1.3×10^{24}	ultra - relativistic p
$a_{rad} = \frac{2e^3}{3m_e^2 c^3} \frac{E_0}{\omega}$	1×10^{23}	radiation damping
$a_{rel} = 1$	1.3×10^{18}	relativistic e^-

$$e\lambda E_{rel} = m_e c^2$$

$$e\lambda E_{ultrarel} = m_p c^2$$

$$e\lambda_{comp} E_{rel} = m_e c^2$$

$$\lambda_{comp} (electron) = 2.4 \times 10^{-6} \mu m$$

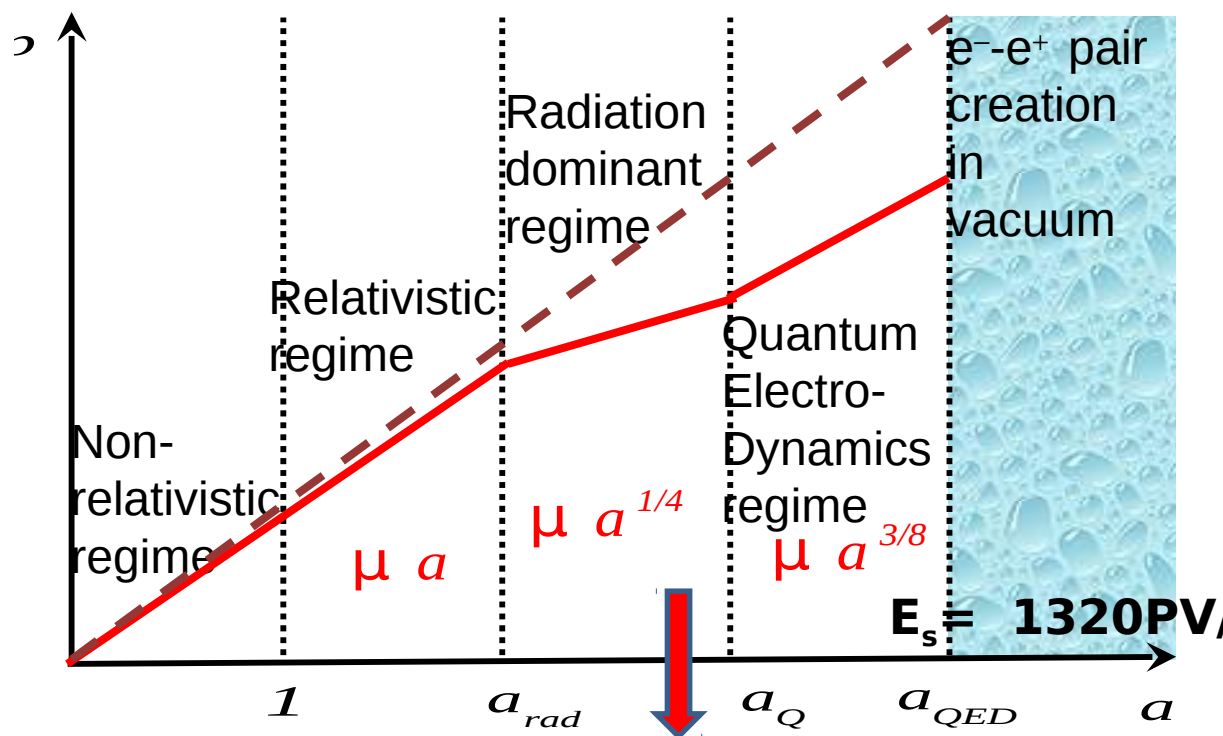
$$E_0 [V/cm] = 19 \sqrt{I [W/cm^2]}$$

Very compact accelerators can be built



SUMMARY of Laser-Plasma Interaction in “Radiation-Dominant” Regimes

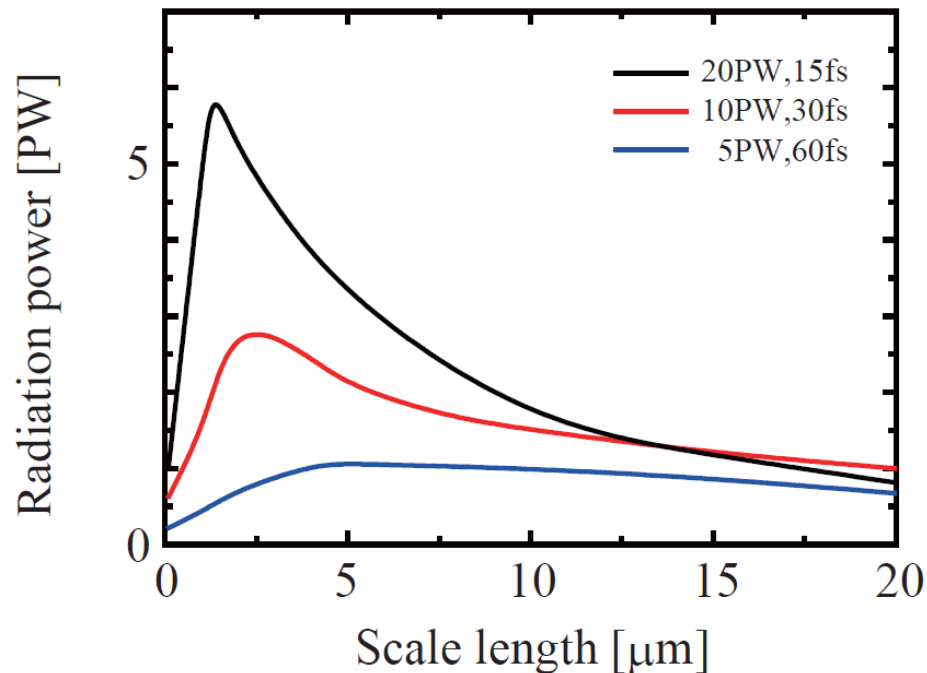
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Currently
 $I_{max} = 10^{22} \text{ W/cm}^2$
 ELI will be
 pushing the limits
 by more than 1-2
 orders but we

$a_{rad}^c = 408 \quad \gamma = 70 \text{ MeV}$

Ultrarelativistic ELI
 $a_0 > 2000, E = 4 \text{ PV/m}$

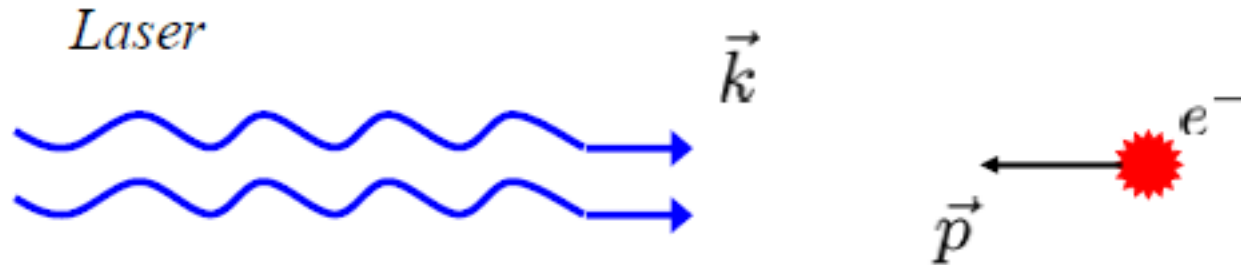


**Dependence of the gamma-ray power (PW)
on the plasma scale length, L () for the laser pulse energy of 300 J
and the laser power, , varying from 5 to 20 PW**

Tatsufumi Nakamura^a, James K. Koga^a, Timur Zh. Esirkepov^a, Masaki Kando^a,
Georg Korn^{b,c}, Sergei V. Bulanov^{a,d}, PRL April 2012

Laser-Induced Nonlinear QED

For head-on collision at laboratory reference frame:



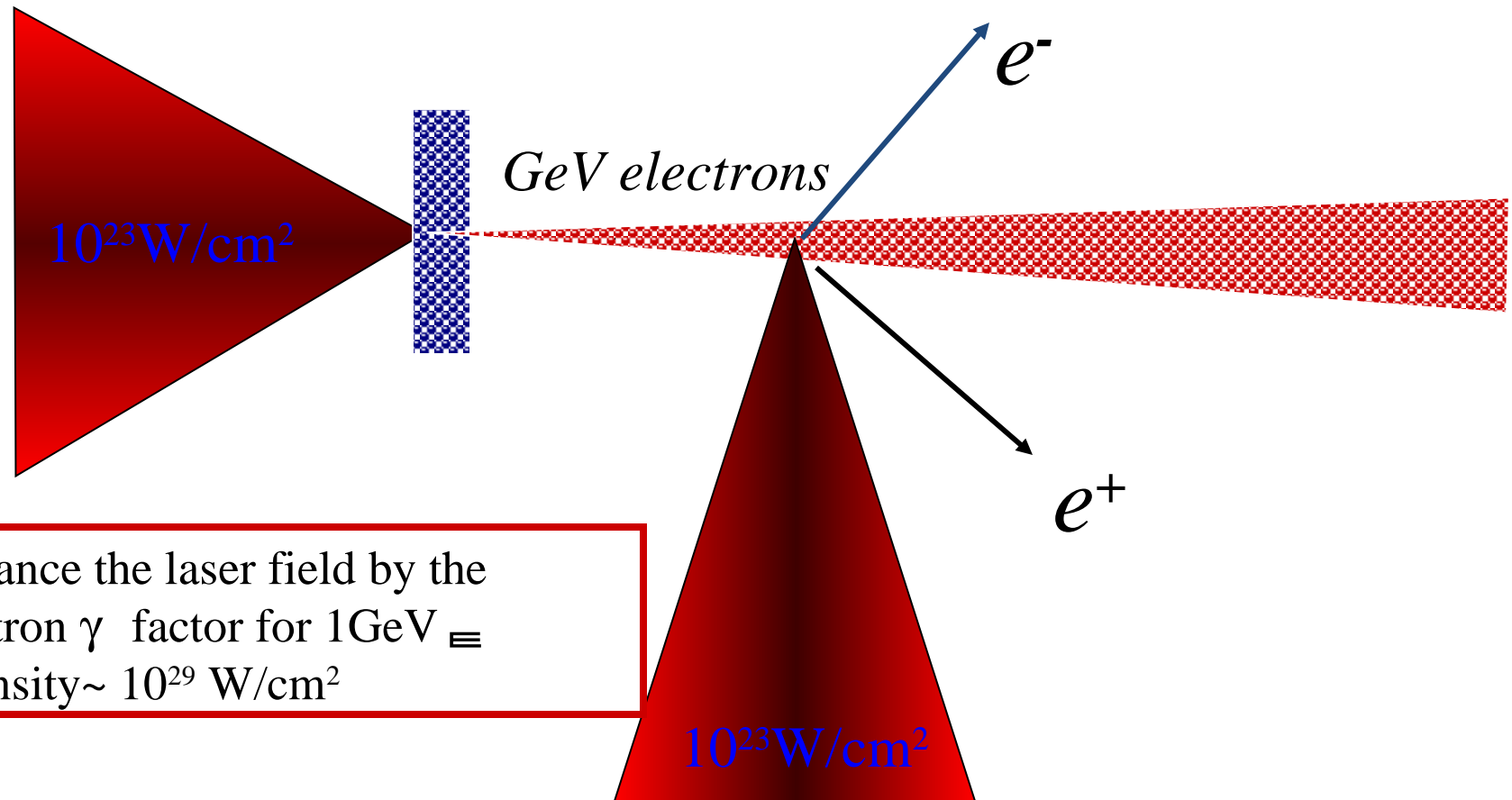
$$E_R = E_L \sqrt{\frac{1+v/c}{1-v/c}}, \quad v = pc/\varepsilon \quad \text{- electron velocity}$$

for ultrarelativistic particle $1 - v/c \ll 1$, or

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2/c^2}} = \varepsilon/mc^2 \gg 1 \quad E_R \approx 2\gamma E_L$$

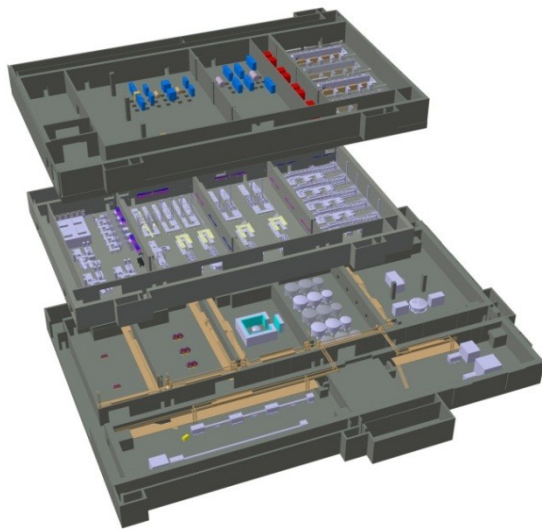
Laser-Induced Nonlinear QED

$$e^{-} + \omega \rightarrow e^{-'} + e^{+} e^{-}$$



enhance the laser field by the
electron γ factor for $1 \text{ GeV} \equiv$
Intensity $\sim 10^{29} \text{ W/cm}^2$

Outline of the ELI- amlines facility



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Project background and status

ELI-Beamlines mission, Prague

Generation of femtosecond secondary sources of radiation and particles

- XUV and X-ray sources (monochromatic and broadband);
plasma based x-ray lasers and amplified HHG (100 μ J – 10 mJ)
- Accelerated electrons (2 GeV 10 Hz rep-rate, >10 GeV low rep-rate),
protons (trying to enter 50-70 MeV 10 Hz rep-rate, >1 GeV low-rep-rate)
- ELI Betatron beamline
- preparation for a future laser driven, LUX and later X-FEL
- Gamma-ray sources (broadband); entering the radiation driven regime

Programmatic applications of the femtosecond secondary sources

- Medical research including proton therapy (1 PW-Laser, 10 Hz), detectors time, spat. res
- Molecular, biomedical and material sciences
- Physics of dense plasmas, WDM, laboratory astrophysics (radiographic images)

High-field physics experiments with focused intensities 10^{22} - 10^{24} Wcm⁻²

- Exotic plasma physics (e.g. electron-positron pair plasma), non-linear QED
proton and electron acceleration at high intensities and high energies, careful studies of
different intensity regimes, proof of achieved intensities and the corresponding interactions

Participation in prototyping technologies for the high-intensity pillar

Compression & coherent superposition of multi-10-PW ultrashort pulses (>100 PW far fut



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European Project

Science Case in the ELI-Beamline

ELI-Beamlines bid: balance between fundamental science and applications

ELI-Beamlines will be international user facility, partnership experiments & projects

Research Program 1

Lasers generating rep-rate ultrashort pulses & multi-petawatt peak powers

Research Program 2

X-ray sources driven by rep-rate ultrashort laser pulses,

Research Program 3

Particle acceleration by lasers , MED-ELI

Research Program 4

Applications in molecular, biomedical, and material sciences

Program 5

and high-energy-density physics (PALS kJ laser synchronized to 40 TW laser)

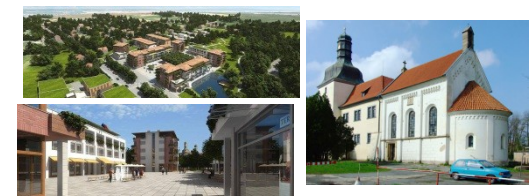
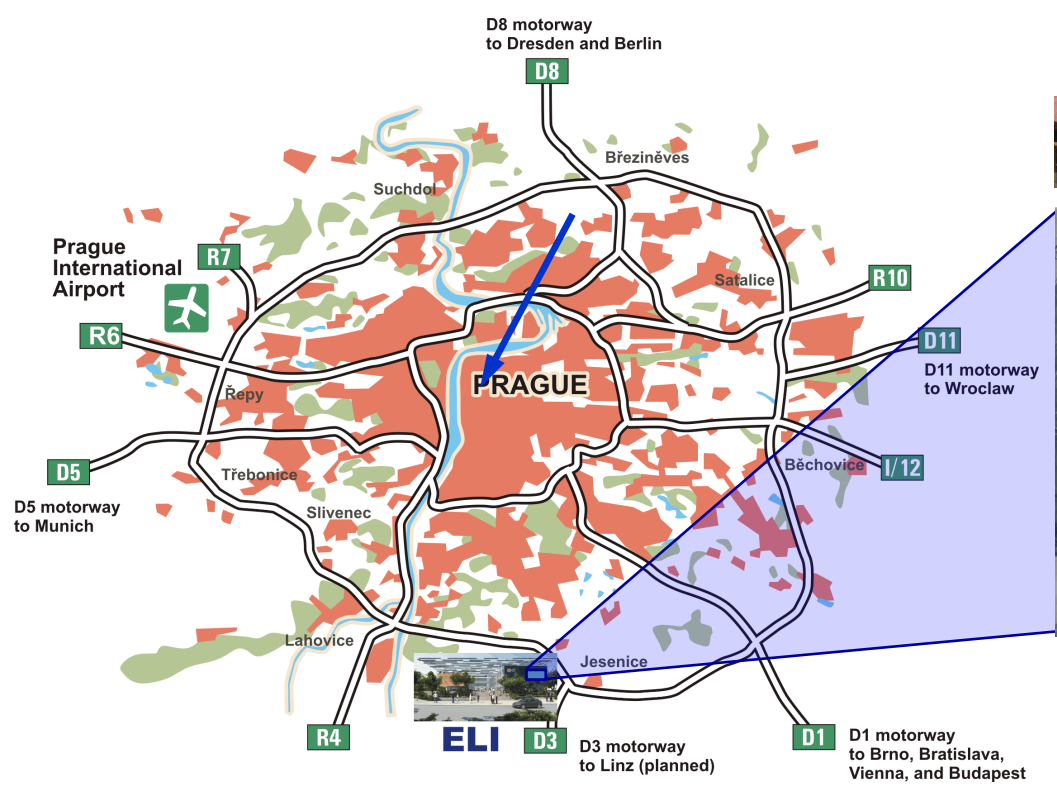
Research Program 6

field physics and theory (steps to 10^{23} W/cm², radiation reaction plays role)

ELI Beamlines budget and steps towards funding

- Total investment:** 265 mil. Euro, Structural funds (85% EU, 15%-State)
- Timeline:**
- Nov 12, 2009 Submission of ELI-Beamlines bid into the national funding call (“Research & Development for Innovations”)
 - Feb 2010 ELI-Beamlines bid assessed by the national expert panel (industrial applications, national synergies, financial sustainability)
 - March 19, 2010 ELI-Beamlines bid assessed by the international expert panel (quality of research, quality of management, human resources strategy)
 - May 20, 2010 National negotiations on funding successfully concluded
 - June 28, 2010 Project receives OK note by JASPERS (Joint Assistance to Support Projects in European Regions)
 - June 30, 2010 Request for funding submitted to EC**
 - Sept 13, 2010 Construction permit to build ELI-Beamlines issued
 - Dec 2010 Project approved by EC’s DG Research, DG Regio and DG Environ, additional issues raised by DG Competition
 - Feb 2011 Project approved by EC’s DG Competition

ELI-Beamlines location: South of Prague



- Proximity of international airport (15 min drive), enjoyable surroundings, behind the border of Prague (funding issues)
- Synergy with planned large biotechnology center BIOCEV (2 km distance)
- Direct connection to Prague outer ring and the European motorway network

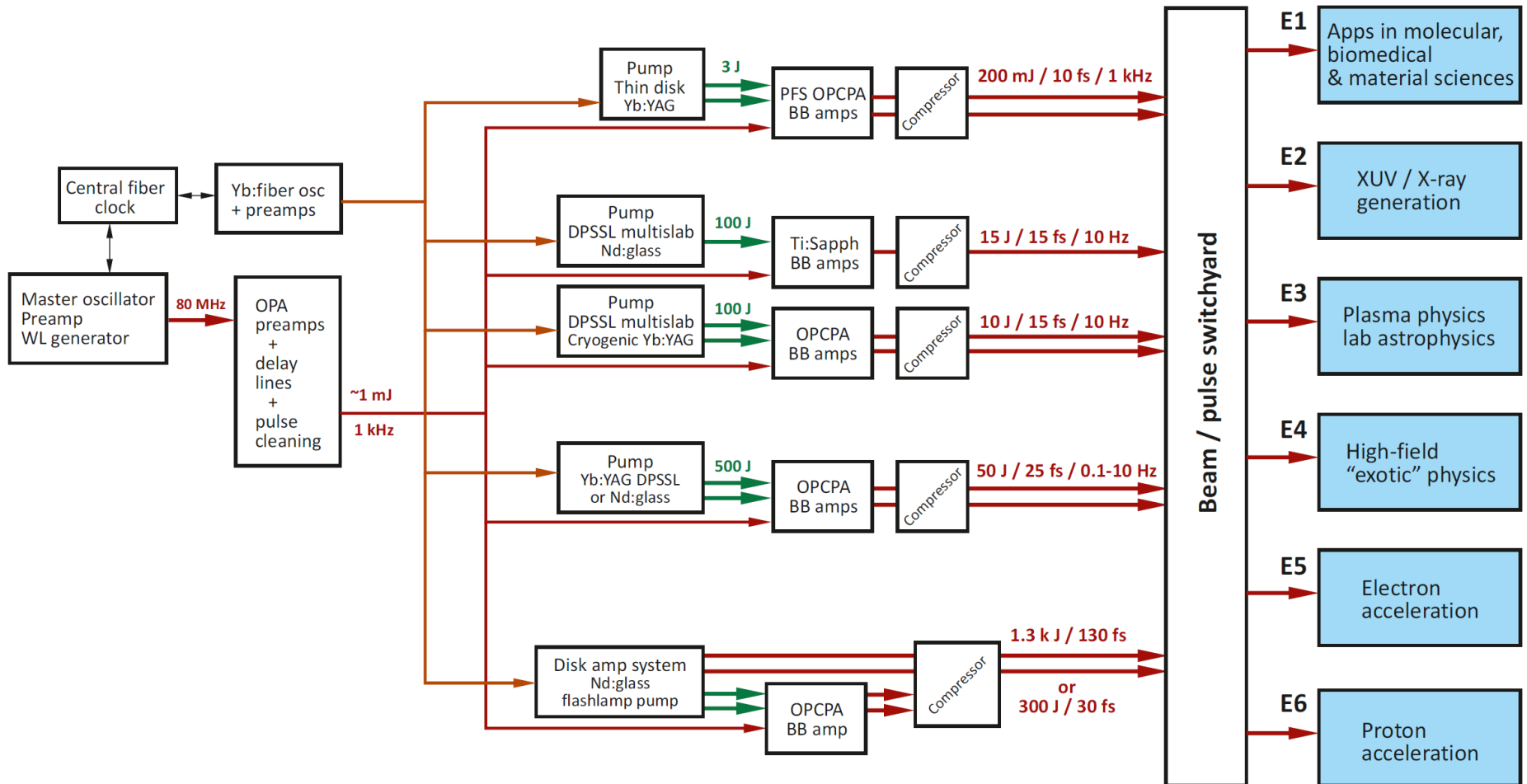


2. Laser and experimental facilities

ELI Beamlines facility laser

Laser system

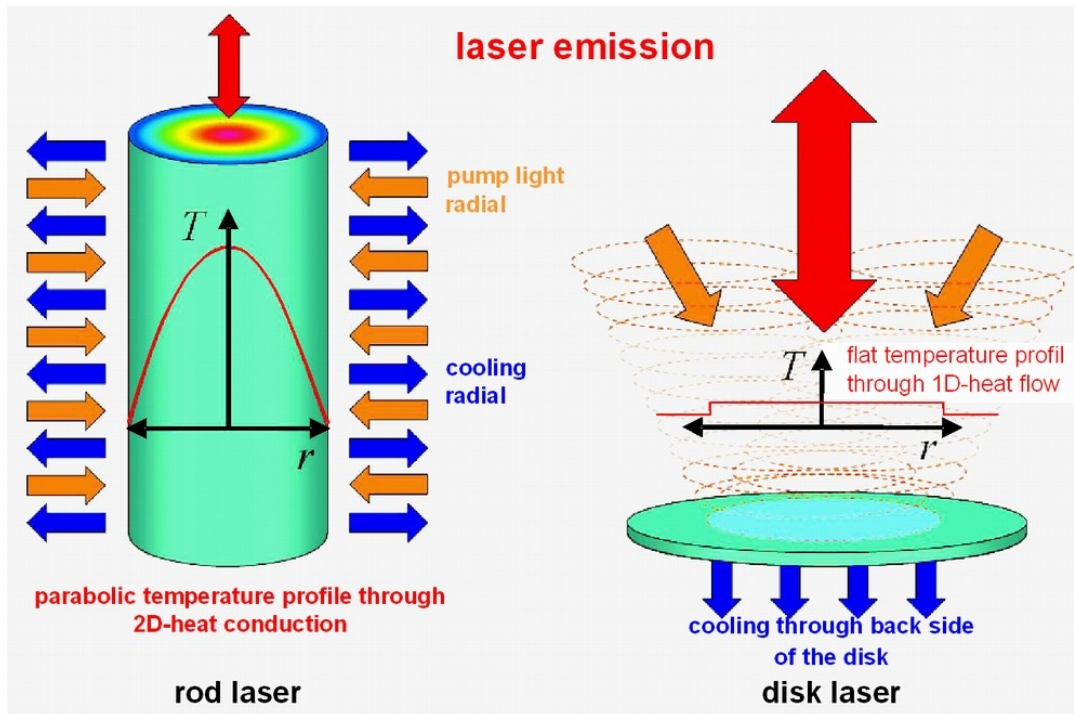
Exp. areas



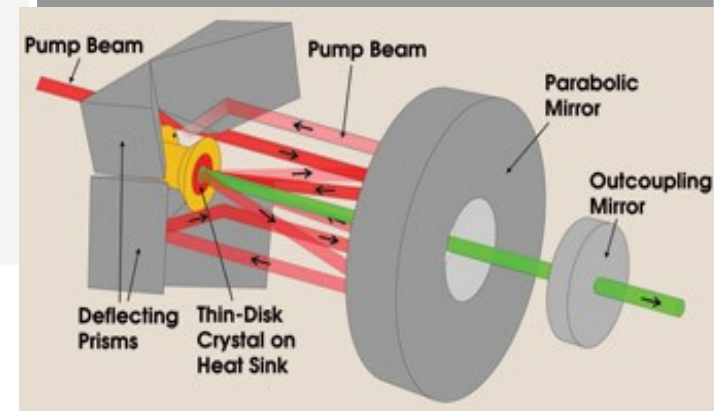
L1- thin disk technology

Enabling kHz repetition rates and high pulse energies

L1 pump lasers need to reach 1.5 J/pulse at 1kHz repetition rate and 2 ps pulse duration



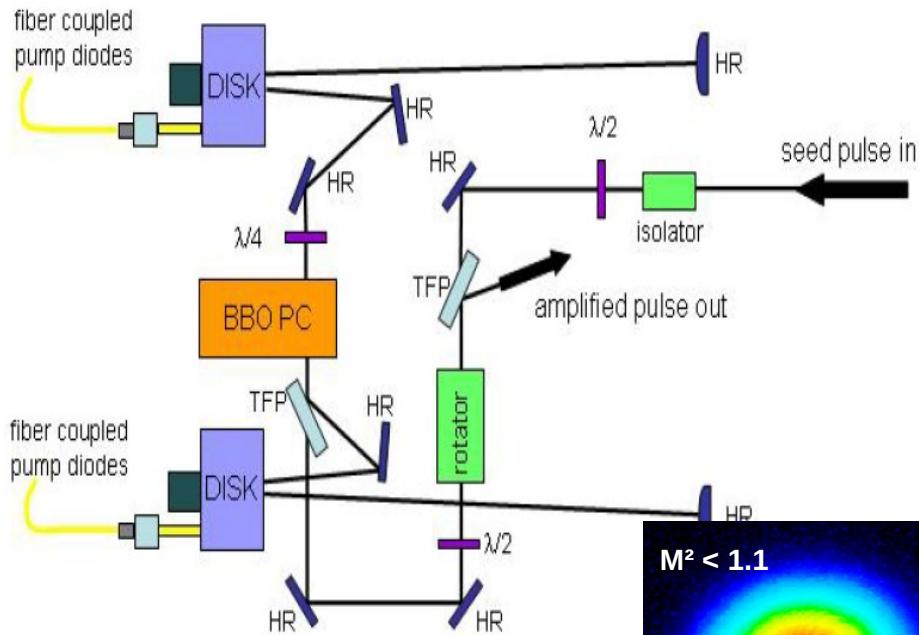
Disk parameter
thickness: 100 - 900 μm
diameter: 10 - 35 mm



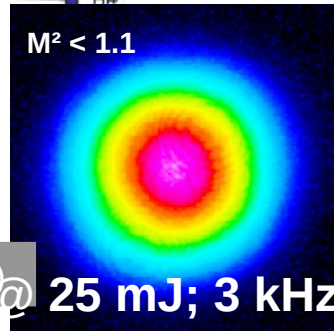
Thomas Metzger, MPQ
500 W achieved with short 1.5 ps pulses

L1: Thin disk :Pump laser 1030 nm

Regenerative amplifier

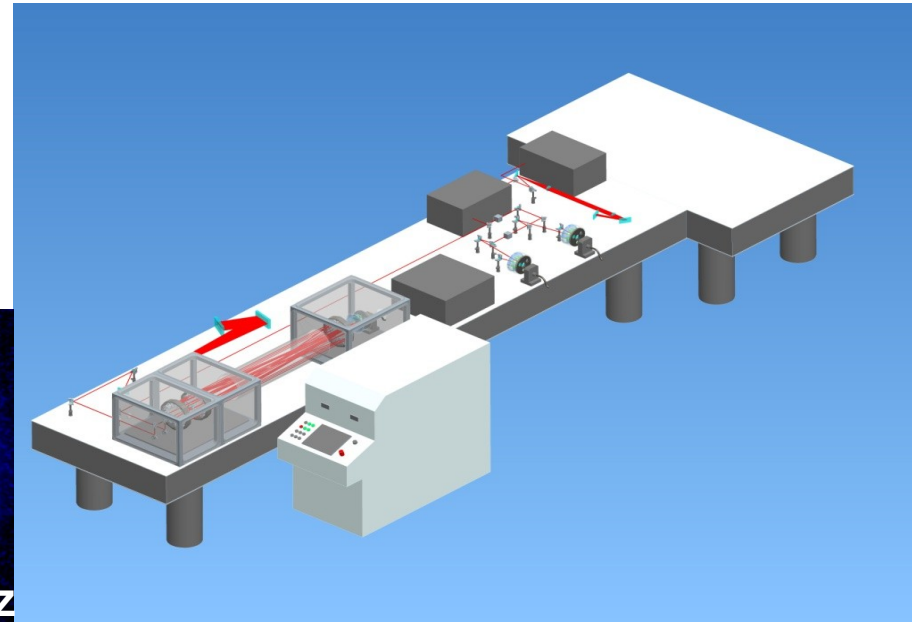
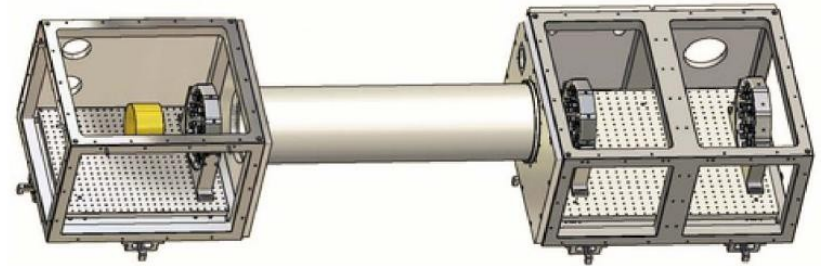


$M^2 < 1.1$



Metzger et al. Opt. Lett. 34, 2123 (2009) @ 25 mJ; 3 kHz

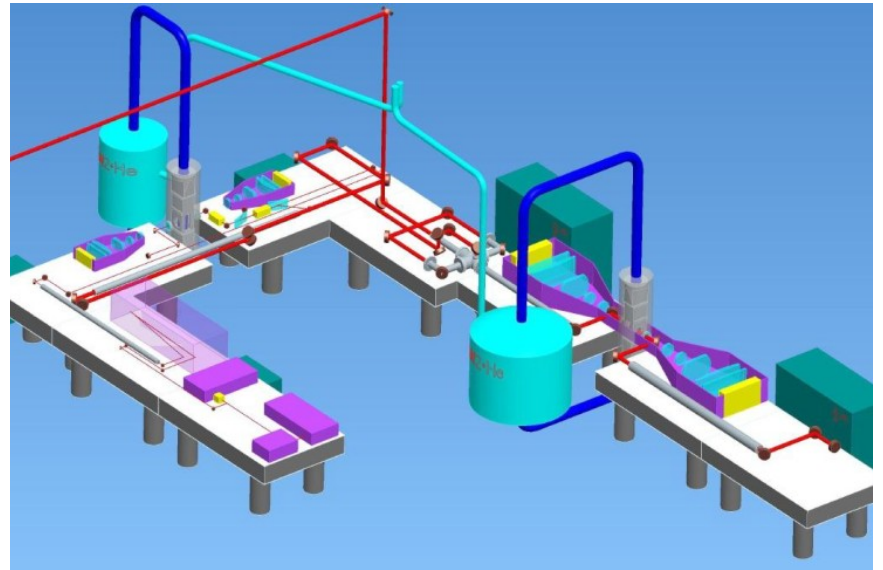
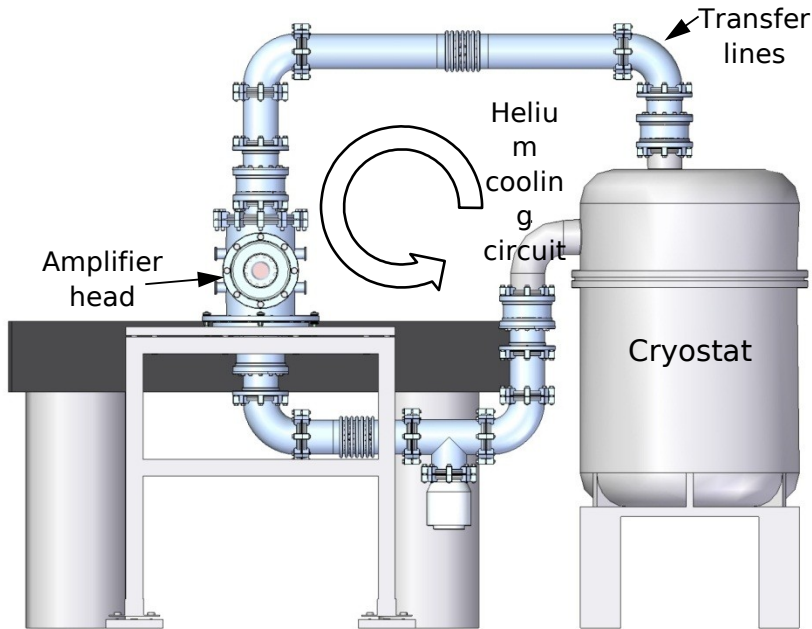
Multipass amplifier



L2 : Cryo cooled multislab Yb:YAG

Development of cryogenic Yb:YAG amplifier technology at RAL/STFC essential for ELI-Beamlines

ELI-Beamlines & HiLASE project : cooperation on development of Yb:YAG technology



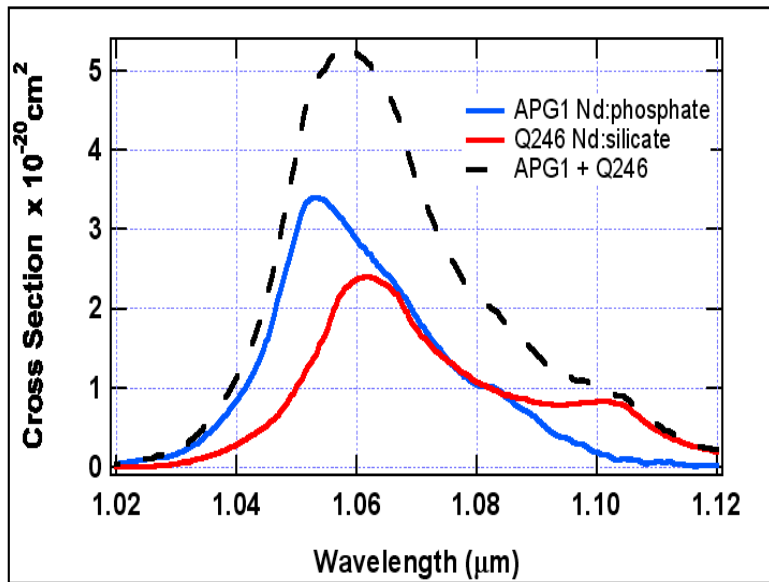
Study of layout of a Yb:YAG 100 J system for ELI-Beamlines and HiLASE

According to RAL/STFC (courtesy of K. Ertel and J. Collier)

L4 (10PW): mixed glass system

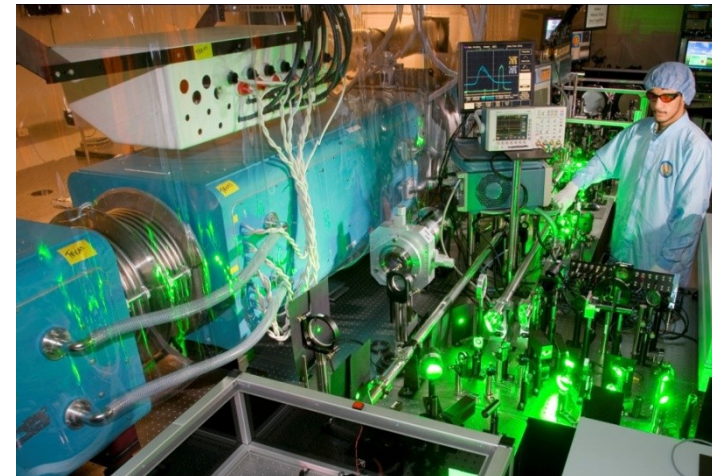
Mixed glass technology: high energy & bandwidth equivalent to < 130 fs FWHM *

Nd:phosphate glass 1053.9 nm
Nd:silicate glass 1061 nm



Texas Petawatt laser:

185 J / 130 fs - scalable -> 1900 J / 130 fs



- Straightforward choice for e- acceleration
 - The laser can be used as a pump of an OPCPA chain (Vulcan 10 PW Solution)
- * Extreme Light Infrastructure White Book: *Science and Technology with Ultra-Intense Lasers*
edited by G. Mourou, G. Korn, W. Sandner and J. Collier (2011)

Laser building layout

First floor

10 PW laser L4

Support technologies, cryogenic systems,
cooling systems

Ground floor

Laser halls (L1 - L4)

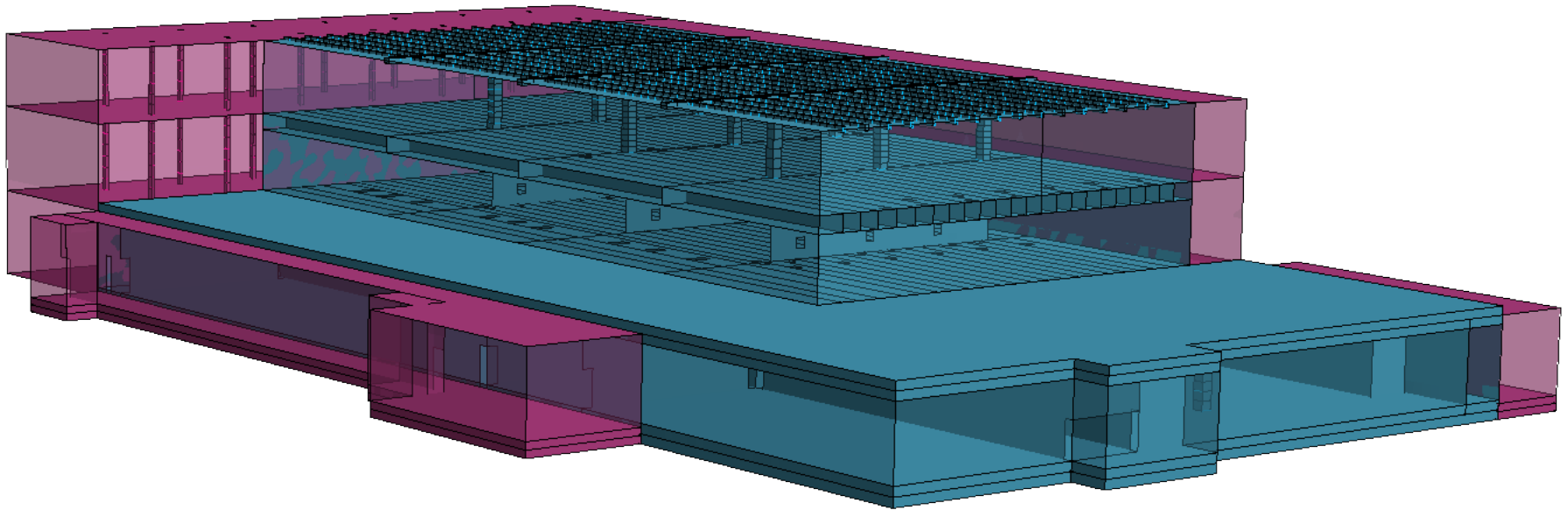
Basement

Compressor hall for 10-PW lasers
Pulse distribution in vacuum

**6 specialized
Experimental halls**



Building structure

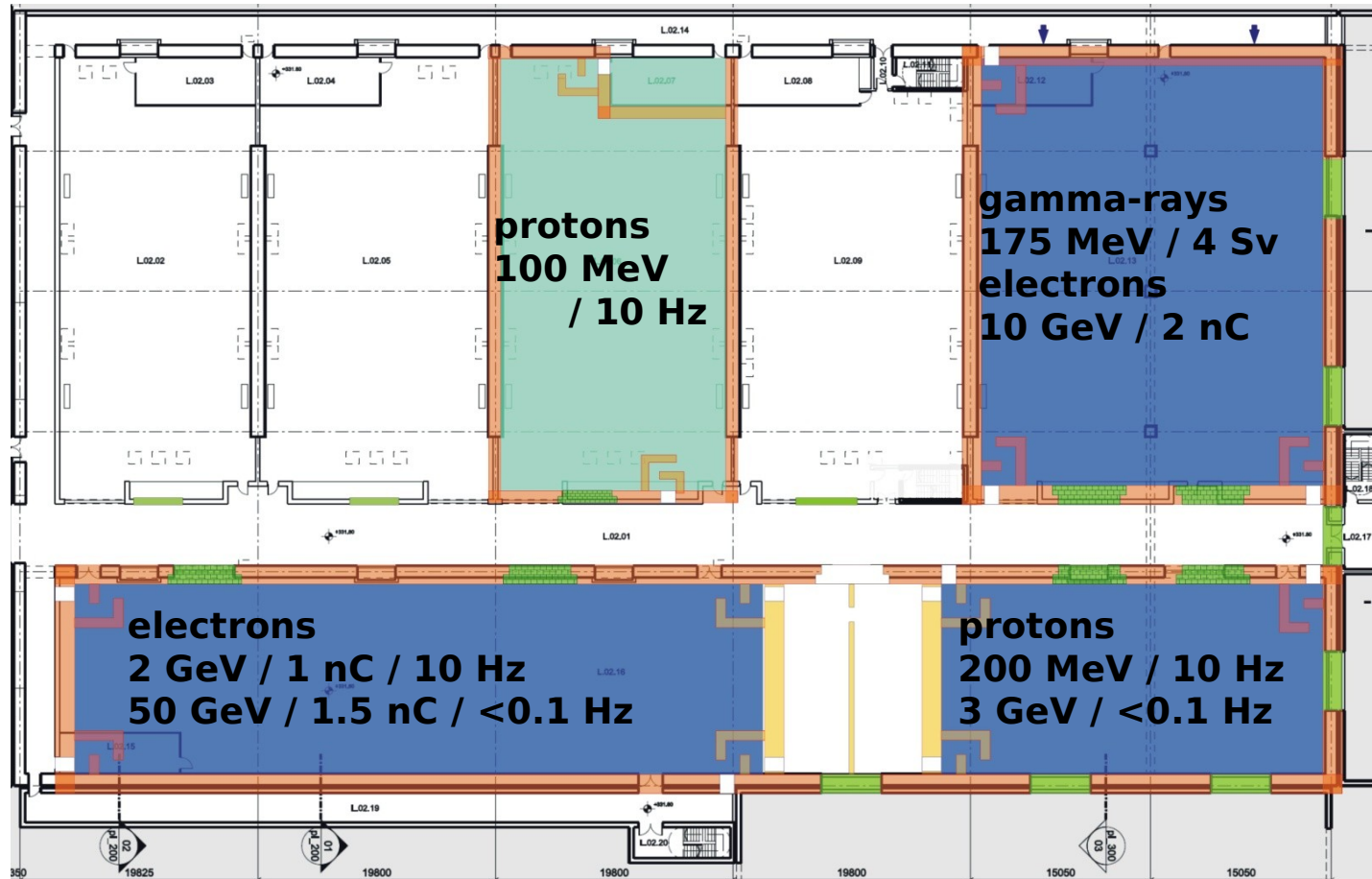


Monolithic structure (laser and experimental areas) - vibration analysis model

Supporting technologies (air conditioning, vacuum pumps, etc.) & **auxiliary laboratories**

The analysis accounts for actual sources of vibration measured on the site

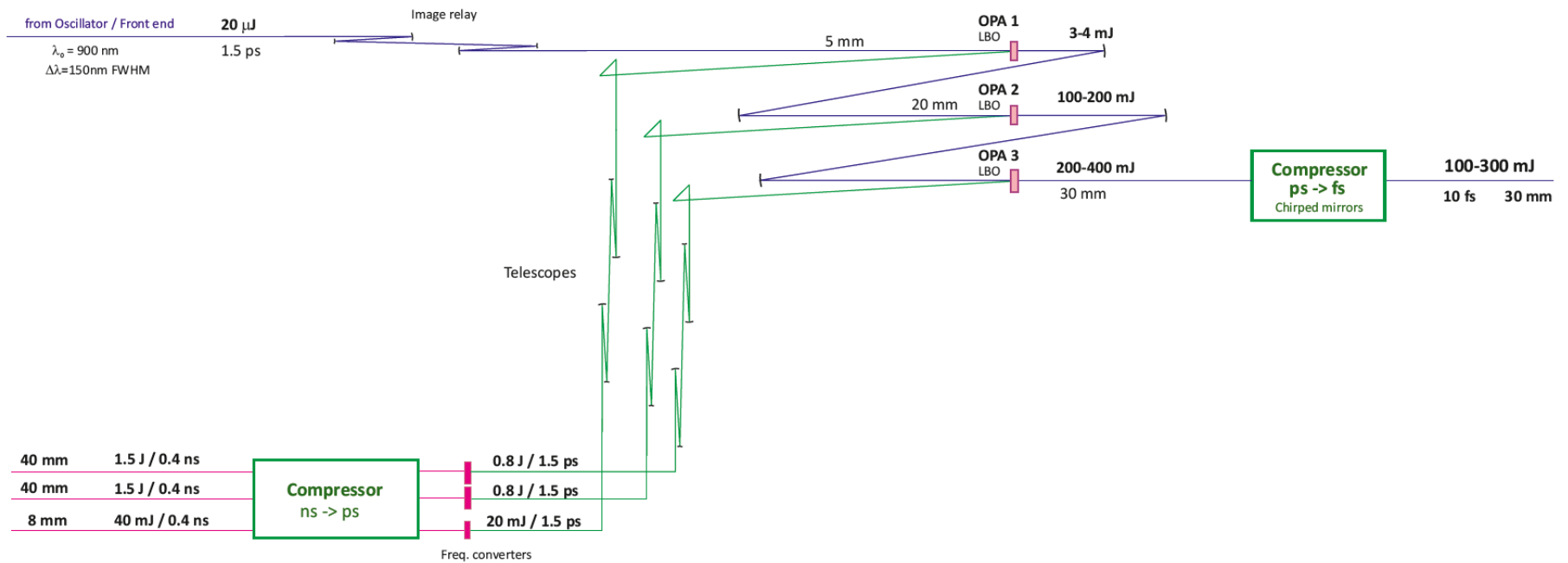
Experimental areas



L1.1 - kHz OPCPA

PFS: Technique proposed and developed by MPQ Garching

ELI-Beamlines: cooperation on the design of the 200 mJ / kHz amplifier chain



Electron acceleration (LWFA) with 250 J laser pulses

Luis Silva, IST Lisbon, ELI-Beamlines Scientific Challenges Workshop, Prague 26-27 April, 2010

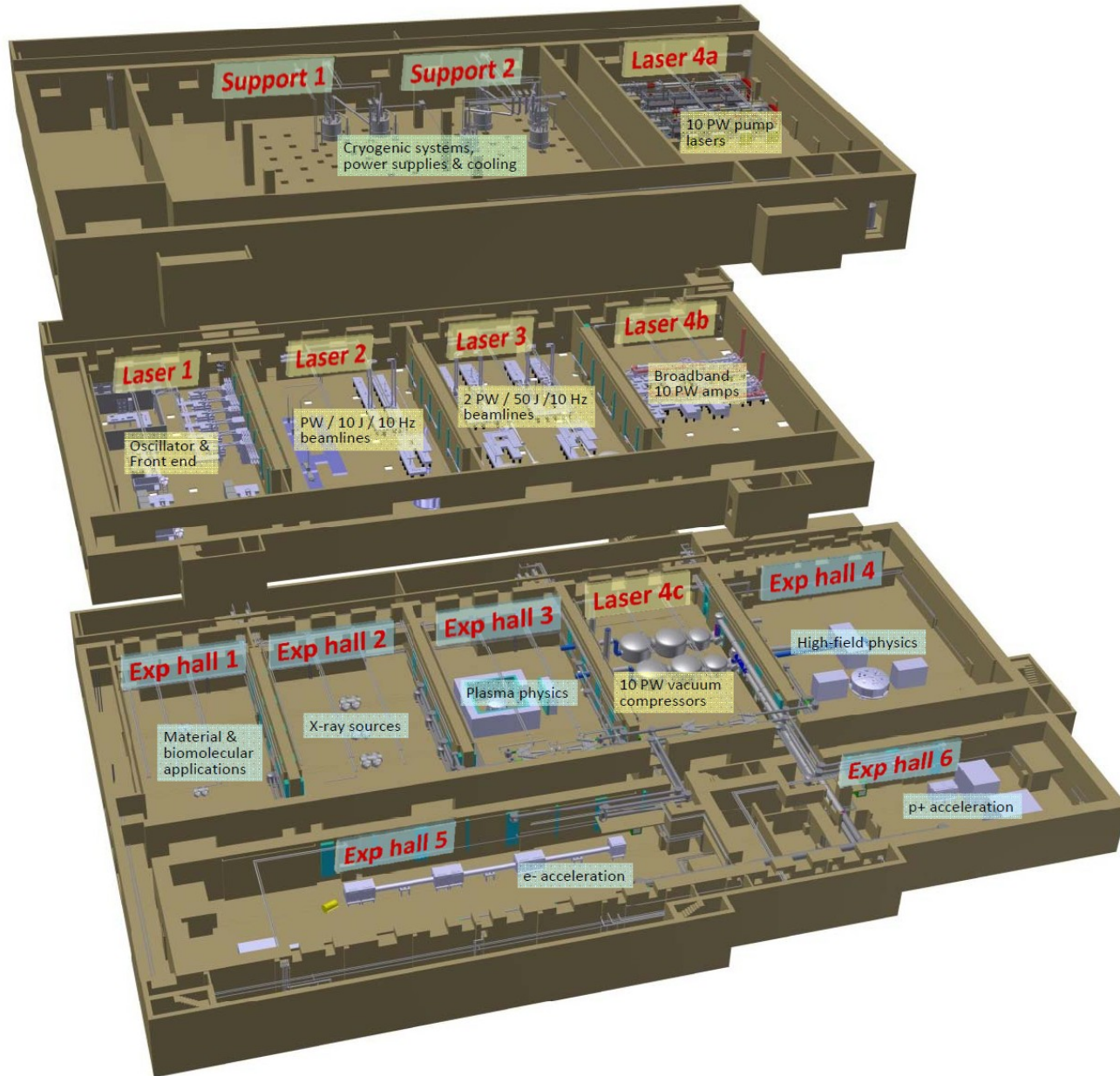
	Self-guiding		External-guiding
	Self Injection I*	Self Injection II**	External Injection**
Laser			
a0	53	5.8	2
Spot [μm]	10	50	101
Duration [fs]	33	110	224
Plasma			
Density [cm^{-3}]	1.5×10^{19}	2.7×10^{17}	2.2×10^{16}
Length [cm]	0.25	22	500
e- Bunch			
Energy [GeV]	3	13	53
Charge [nC]	14	2	1.5

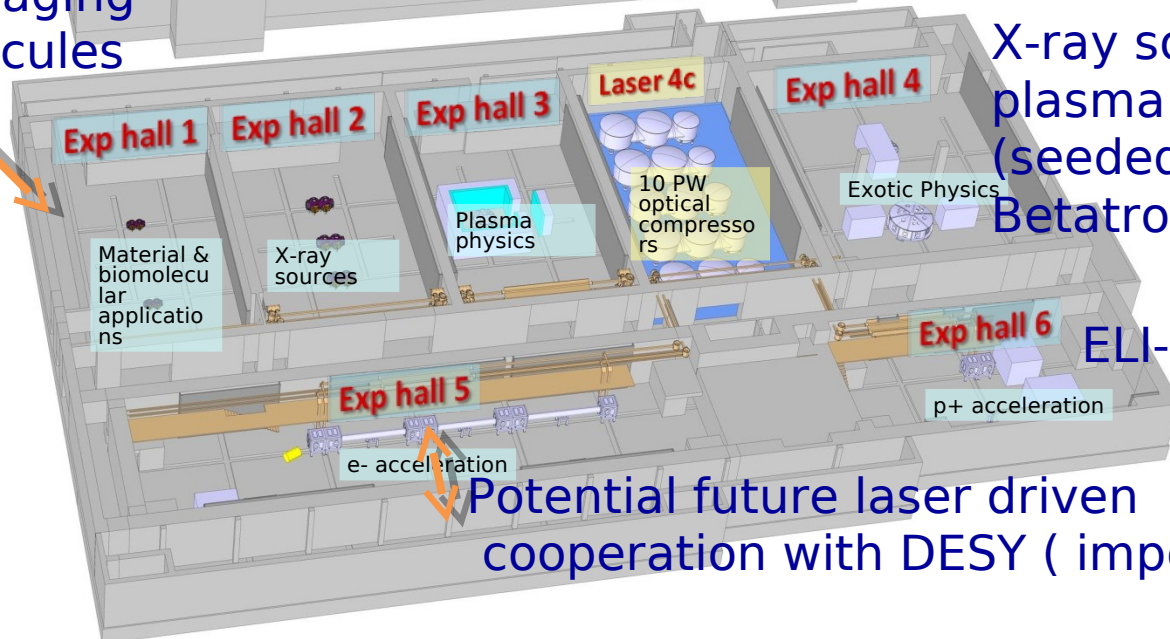
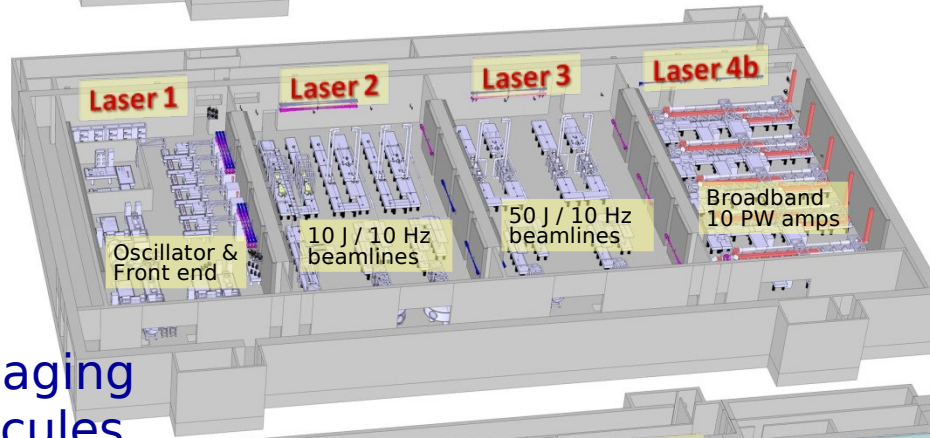
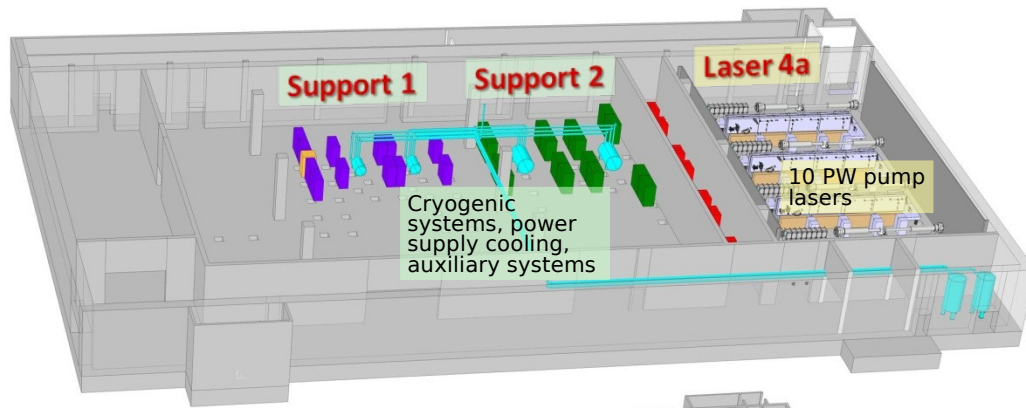
“Long” pulses (>100fs) required for e- acceleration!

* S. Gordienko and A. Pukhov PoP (2005)

** W. Lu et al. PR-STAB (2007)

Detailed organization of the building



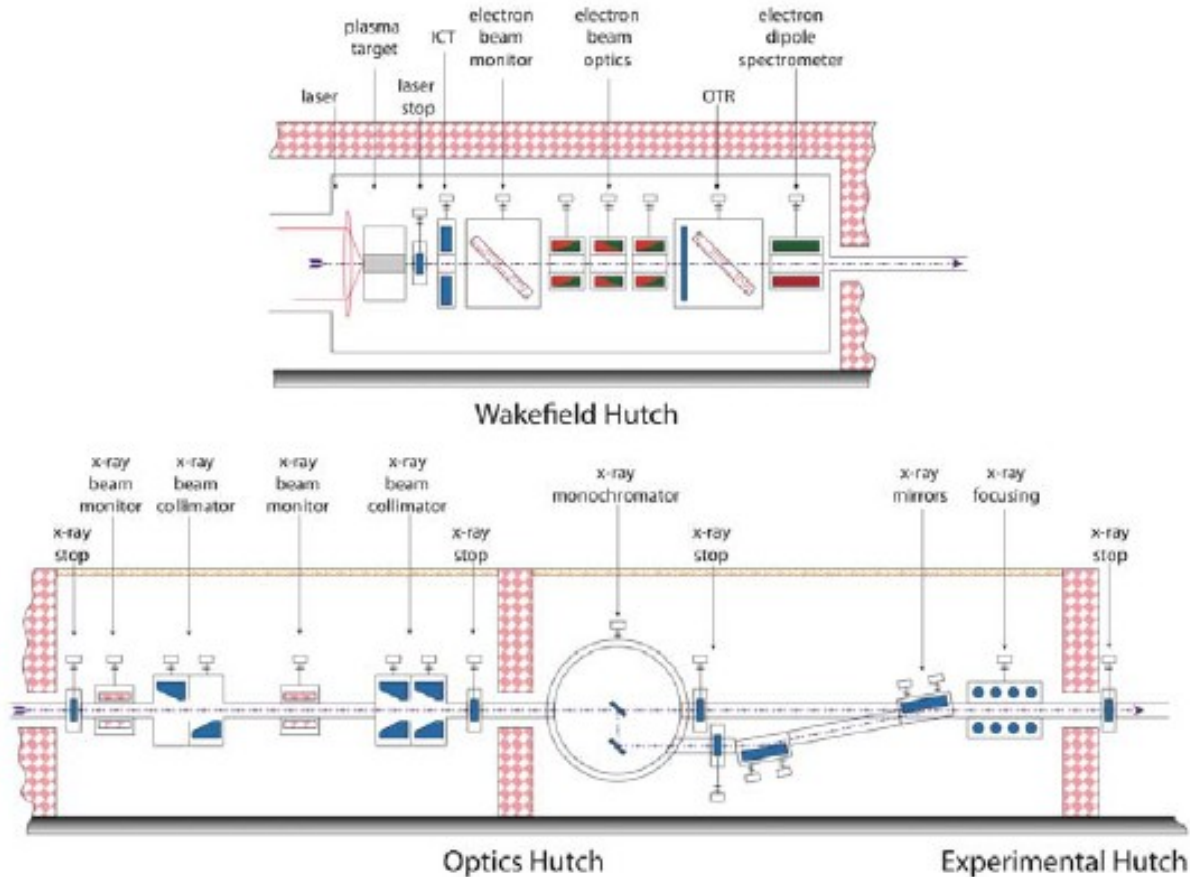


potential future
D diffractive imaging
of complex molecules

X-ray sources:
plasma x-ray laser
(seeded), k-alpha,
Betatron

Potential future laser driven LUX and X-FEL
cooperation with DESY (important)

ELI Betatron beamline 100 TW- 1 PW, ELI- white book



S. Kneip, IC

Figure 6.40: Schematic layout of the plasma wiggler beam line for the ELI-100-PW or ELI-1-PW laser.

ELI-Beamlines mission, x-ray Betatron, ELI-white book

Table 6.8: Predicted radiation characteristics from the scalings for various laser parameters while maintaining $a_0 = 5$. *in units of Photons/(s mrad² mm² 0.1%BW).

ELI Plasma Wiggler Beamline (PWB)		ELI-100-TW-PWB	ELI-1-PW-PWB	ELI-10-PW-PWB
Laser Power	10 TW	100 TW	1 PW	10 PW
Pulse duration	11.6 fs	37 fs	116 fs	368 fs
Spot Size	3.5 μm	11 μm	35 μm	110 μm
Plasma density	$4.7 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$	$4.7 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$	$4.7 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$	$4.7 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
Plasma length	88 μm	2.8 mm	88 mm	2.8 m
Electron peak energy	61 MeV	610 MeV	6.1 GeV	61 GeV
Beam charge	0.13 nC	0.4 nC	1.3 nC	4 nC
X-ray critical energy	2.9 keV	38 keV	511 keV	6.8 MeV
Source size	1.3 μm	1.8 μm	2.4 μm	3.2 μm
Divergence	66 mrad	6.6 mrad	660 μrad	66 μrad
K parameter	6.9	9.2	12	16
X-ray peak brightness*	3×10^{21}	5.4×10^{23}	9.6×10^{25}	1.7×10^{28}
Photon number	1.5×10^8	2×10^9	2.6×10^{10}	3.5×10^{11}
Repetition rate	1 kHz	1 kHz	10 Hz	0.01 Hz
X-ray average brightness*	3×10^{10}	2×10^{13}	1×10^{14}	6×10^{15}

Applications:

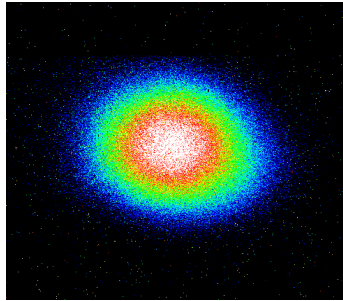
3D phase or absor. contrast imaging possible with different projections

High spatial coherence

Betatron : extrapolation using multi- PW laser



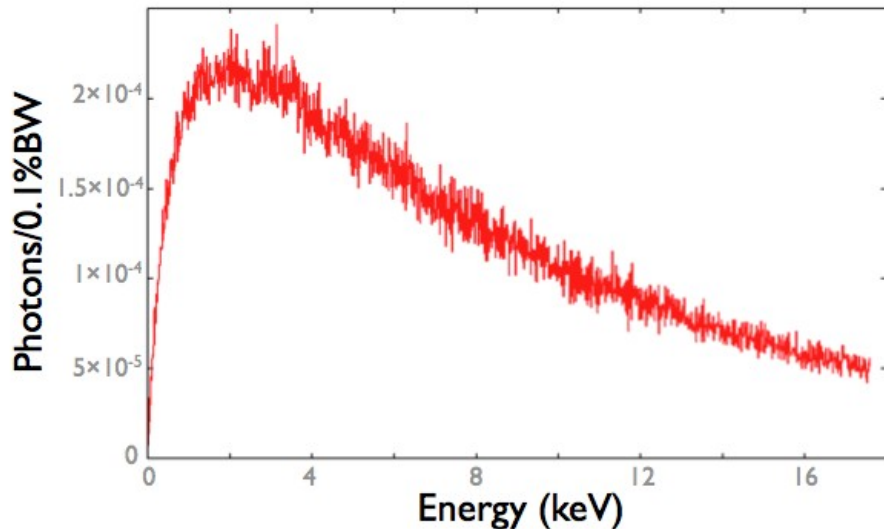
100 TW RANGE (E-BEAM AT 200 MeV)



1-10 PW RANGE (E-BEAM AT 2.5 GeV)

e-beam

$$E_{e^-} = 2.5 \text{ GeV}, R_{\beta} = 5 \mu\text{m}, K=3$$



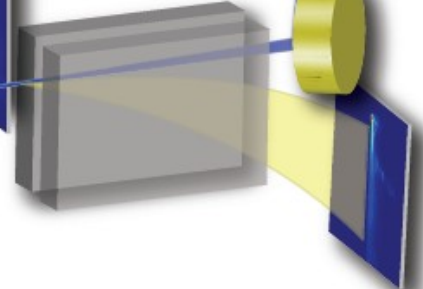
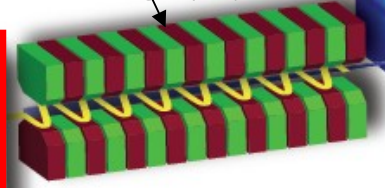
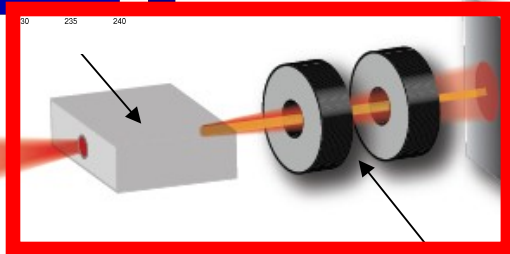
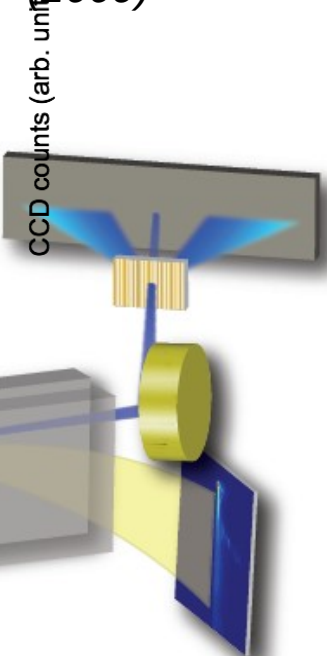
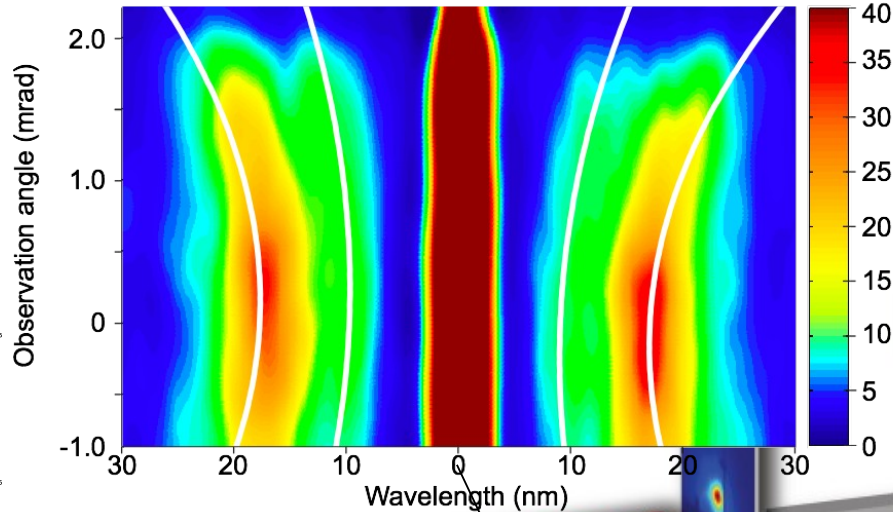
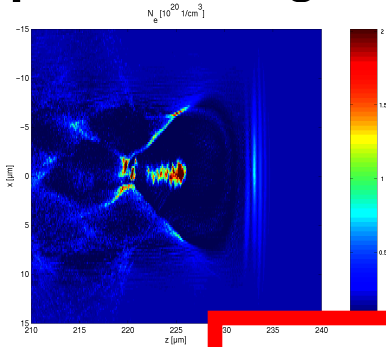
X-ray -beam

$E_x = 325 \text{ keV}$
 10^{10} - 10^{11} photons
mrad divergence
fs duration

basic setup LUX- Laser undulator

M. Fuchs, ..., F. Grüner,
Nature Physics 5, 826
 (2009)

plasma stage



high-intensity laser
 energy ~ J
 pulse length ~ 25 fs
 power: 100 TW →
 few PW

magnetic lenses
 500 T/m gradient



diagnostics/ applications

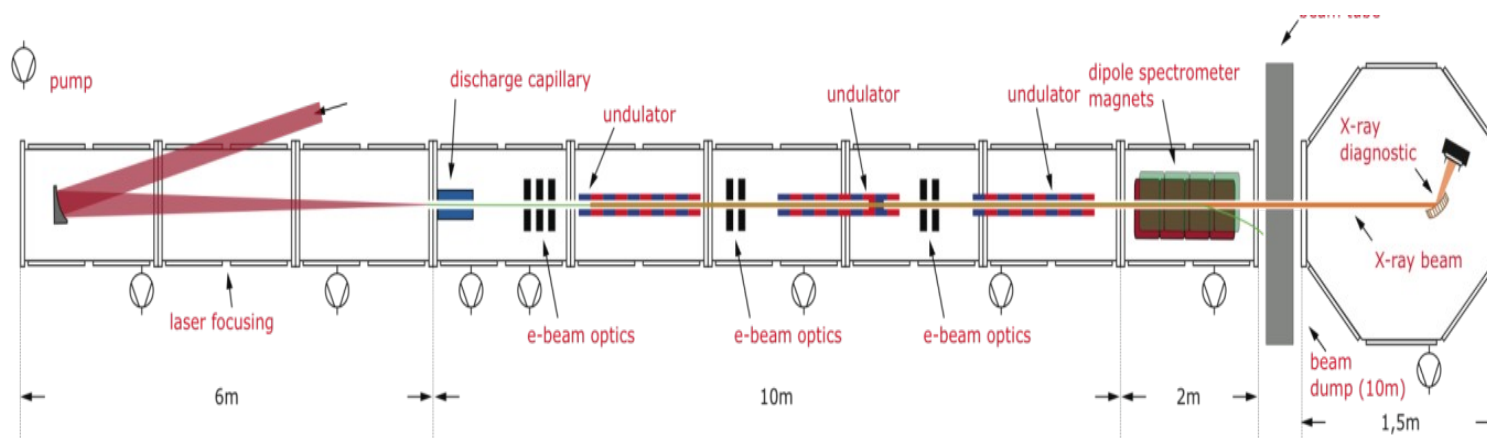
key challenges for FEL:
 energy spread, charge, emittance
 → combine conventional and plasma acceleration at DESY

Laser driven LUX and x-FEL (F. Grüner et al.)

Long term vision, ELI-white book

200 TW -1 PW @ 5-10 Hz

Cooperation with DESY using accelerator know-how



2 GeV electrons, 5 keV, short and tunable x-ray pulses,

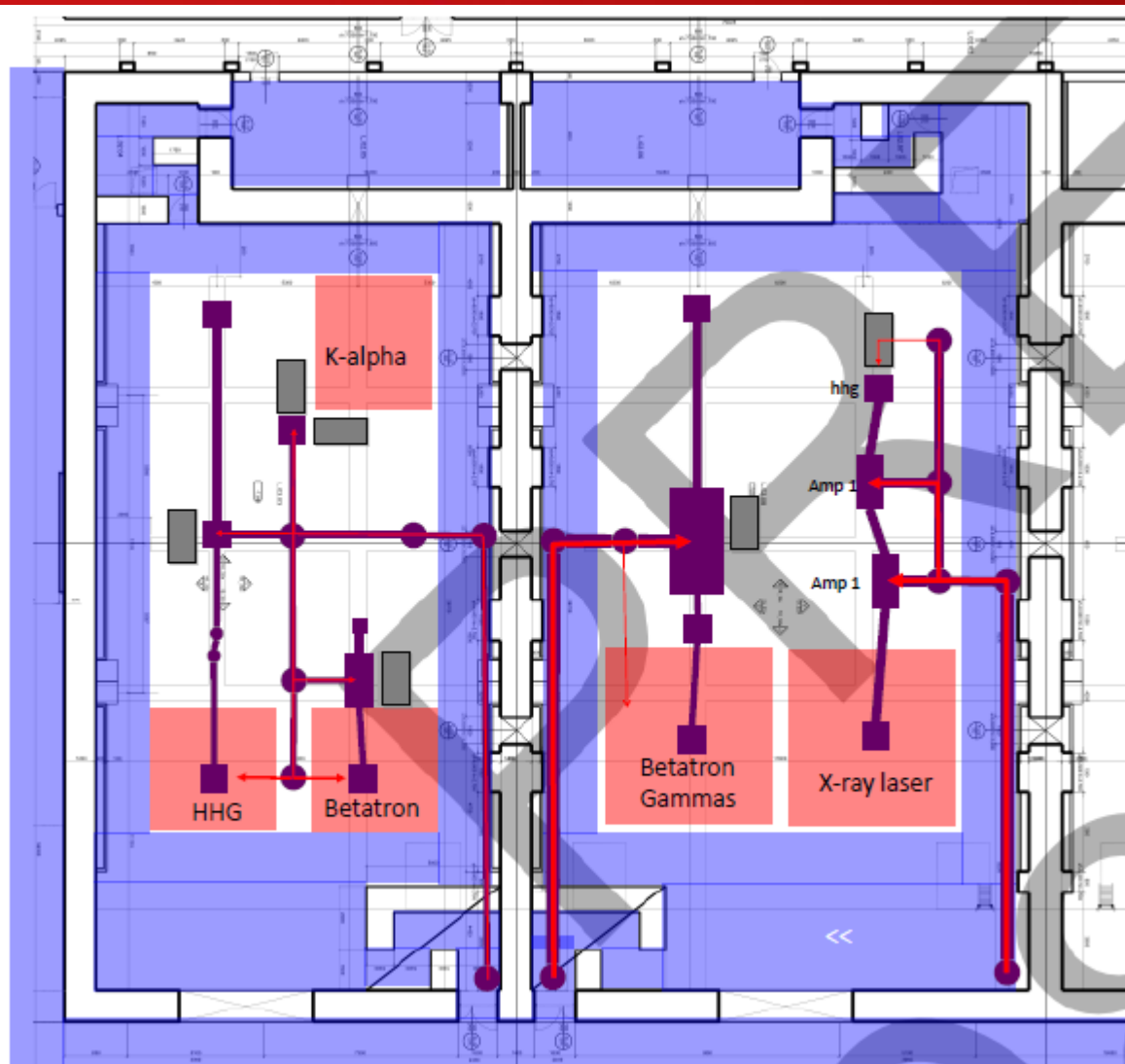
Diagnostics of short bunches

Detector development

Common team generated

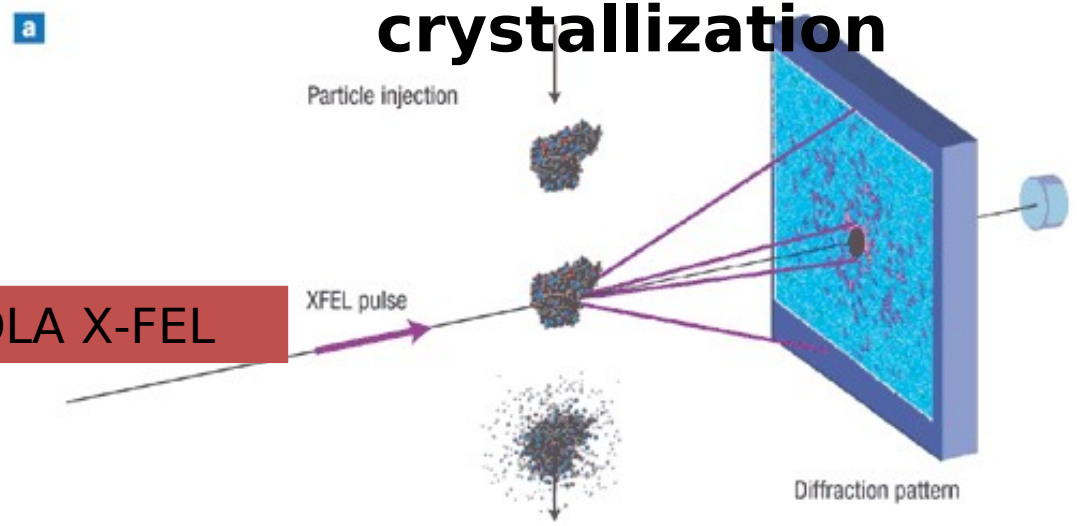


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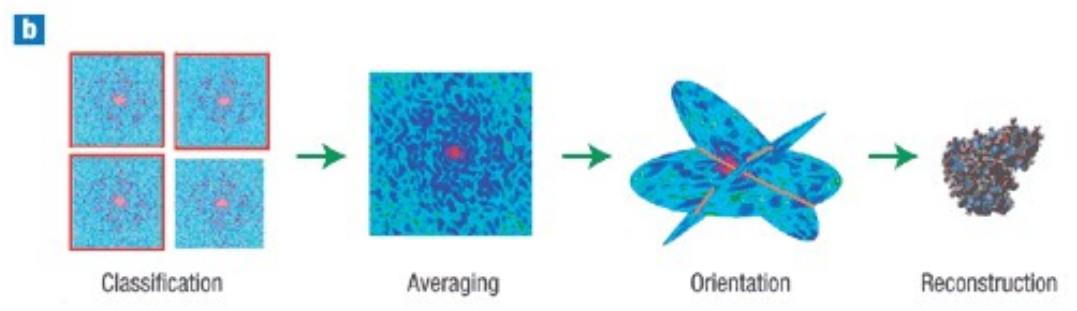




Single-particle diffraction imaging of biological particles without crystallization



ELI-LAOLA X-FEL



LCLS 10^{11} photons per shot, 3 keV

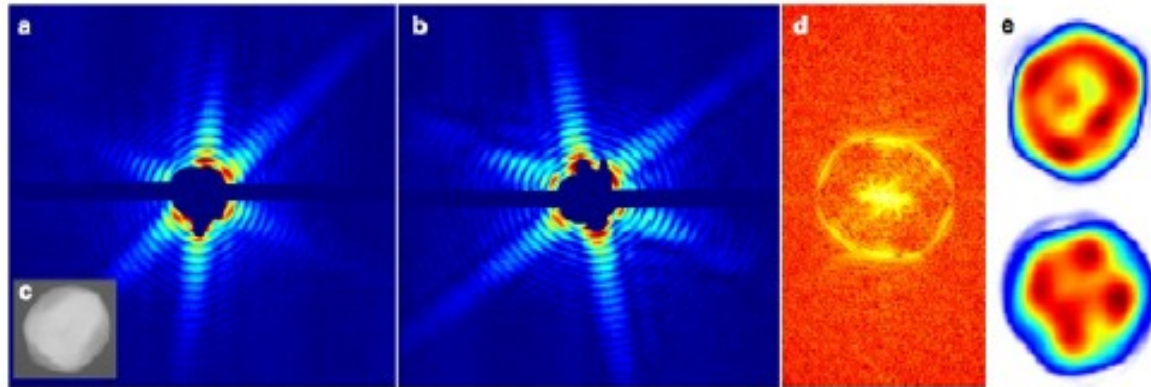


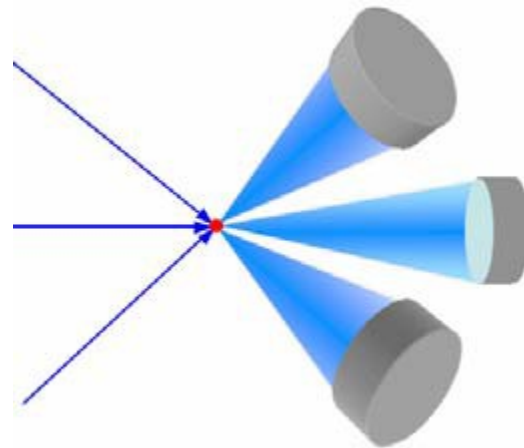
Figure 3.13: Diffraction patterns and reconstructed exit wave fronts (images) for mimivirus particles. For more detail see text and ref. [20].

[20] Chapman, H.N. et al., Nature 470, 73–77 (2011)



From projection images to (almost) 3d structures

3 D diffractive imaging using synchronized ELI x-ray pulses



Timing synchronization of 30 fs should allow to go for μm samples diffraction
Explosion happens over many ps (Hajdu et al.)



Development works steps

- Laser development**
- Complete System integration including target areas**
- proof of principle experiments showing the anticipated laser power and intensity parameters in the different research areas**
- user facility mode for different research areas step**





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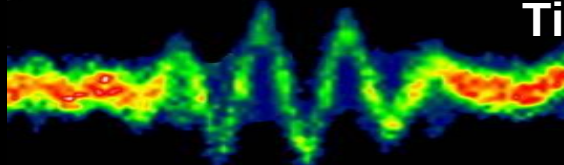




**Thank you for your attention
and for the kind invitation !**

For more info about the ELI Beamlines facility see
<http://www.eli-beams.eu>

Time-resolved Attosecond spectroscopy



ELI xuv- Attosecond-Spectroscopy needs:

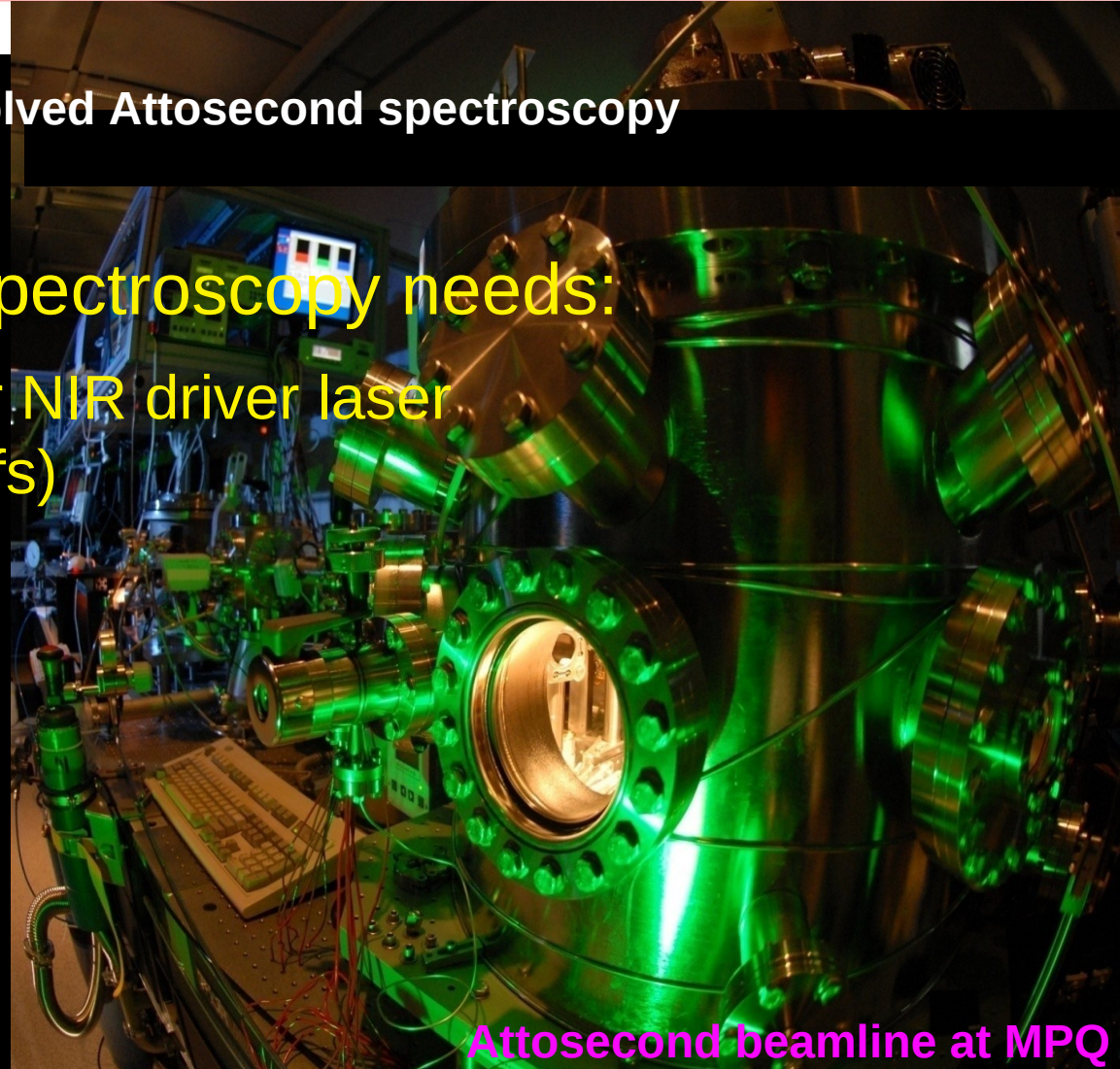
- Femtosecond-high-power NIR driver laser
- „few cycle“ Pulses (5-10 fs)
- high repetition rates
- $I = 10^{20} \text{ W/cm}^2$

Solution:

OPCPA (provides large
bandwidth for ampl.
high aver. power)

more info:

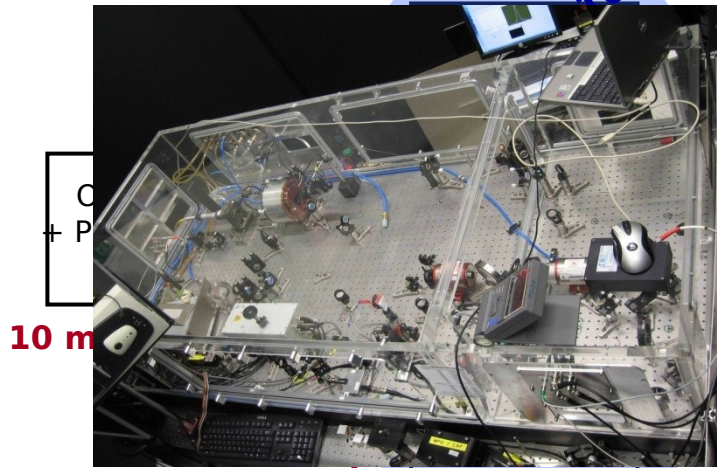
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Attosecond beamline at MPQ

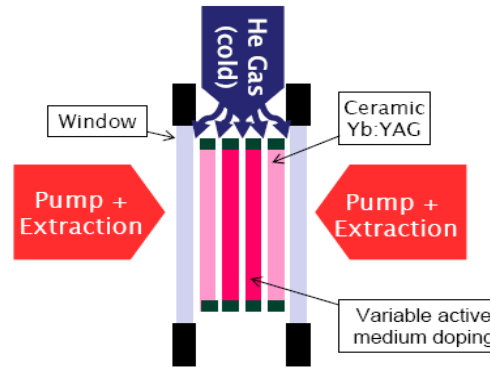
ELI Beamlines Facility laser

Thin disk pump
technology
10 kW short pulse

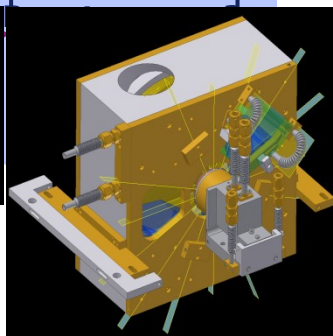
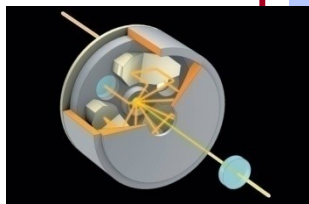


10 m

100 mJ / 1 kHz / 10 fs
Multislab
pump
technology



- Beam/pulse switchyard
- Applications (molecular, biomedical & material sciences)
 - XUV / X-ray generation
 - e- and p+ acceleration
 - Plasma physics WDM



Pump:
Flashlamp
technology



High-intensity test & user facility
Exotic physics



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Science Case in the ELI-Beamline

Research Program 1

Lasers generating rep-rate ultrashort pulses & multi-petawatt peak powers

Research Program 2

X-ray sources driven by rep-rate ultrashort laser pulses,

Research Program 3

Particle acceleration by lasers

Research Program 4

Applications in molecular, biomedical, and material sciences

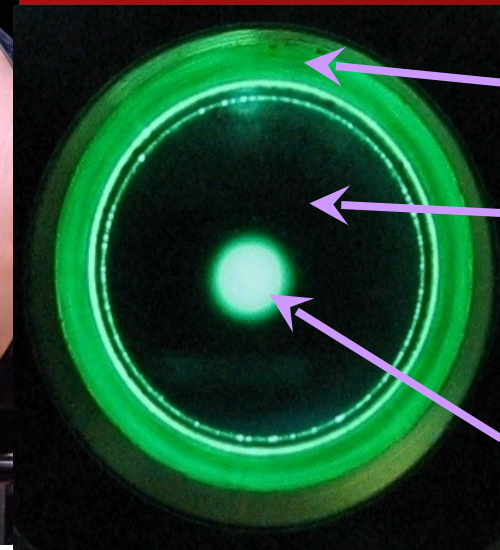
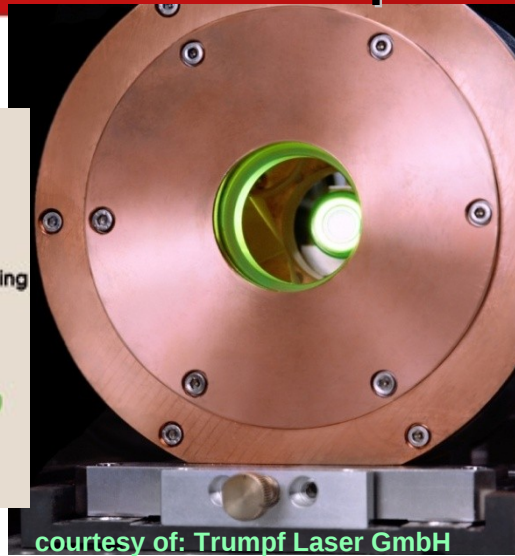
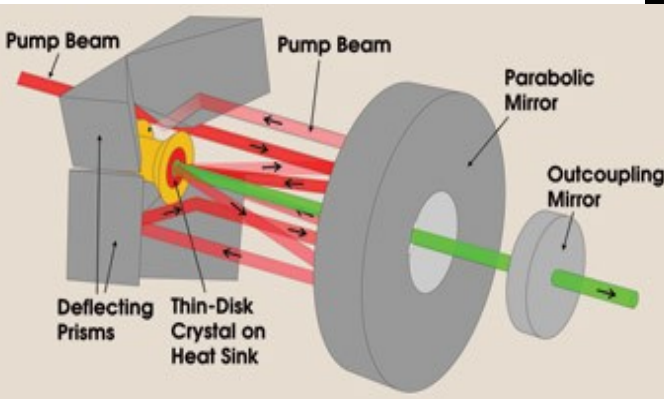
Research Program 5

Ultrafast and high-energy-density physics (PALS kJ laser synchronized to 40 TW laser)

Research Program 6

High-field physics and theory (steps to 10^{23} W/cm², radiation reaction plays role)

Energy scaling via disk based amplifiers



- scaling factor
- pump spot \varnothing
- pump power
- pulse energy
- gain 1,2 @ 0,3 kW
- required V-

1

3 mm

300 W

30 mJ

1,2

80 regen

10

9.5 mm

3 kW

300 mJ

1,2

13 multi pass

1J OPA @ 1 kHz

5 J @ 515 nm

1 x 10 J @ 1030 nm

100 kW pump

diodes

100 mm \varnothing disk

large disk head

Budget and timeline

Total investment:

268.8 mil. € Cz

244.5 mil. € Hu

280.0 mil. € Ro

793.3 mil. € (15% country, 85% IS-

funding)

ELI will be an international facility:

European Research Infrastructure Consortium (ERIC)

Timeline:

October 1, 2009 ELI-Preparation Phase Steering Committee (13 countries)

giving Hu, Cz, Ro mandate to implement ELI-sites

Jan 29, 2010 Legally effective zoning permit to build ELI-Beamlines issued

June-Sept. 2010 Transmission of the IS-funding request for to EC

End 2010-2011 Official approval of EC expected

2010 - 2015 Construction development & installation of laser systems

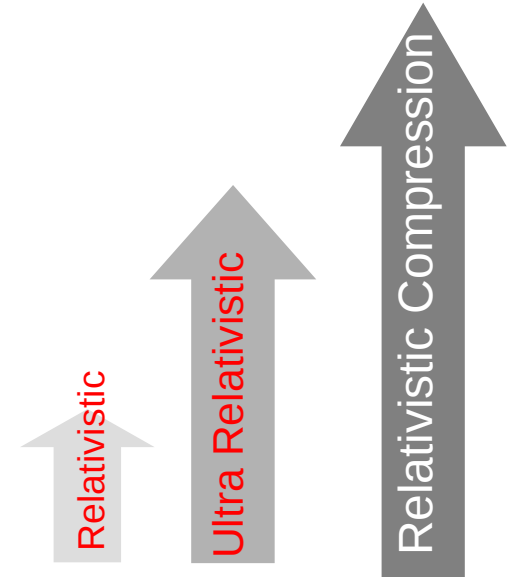
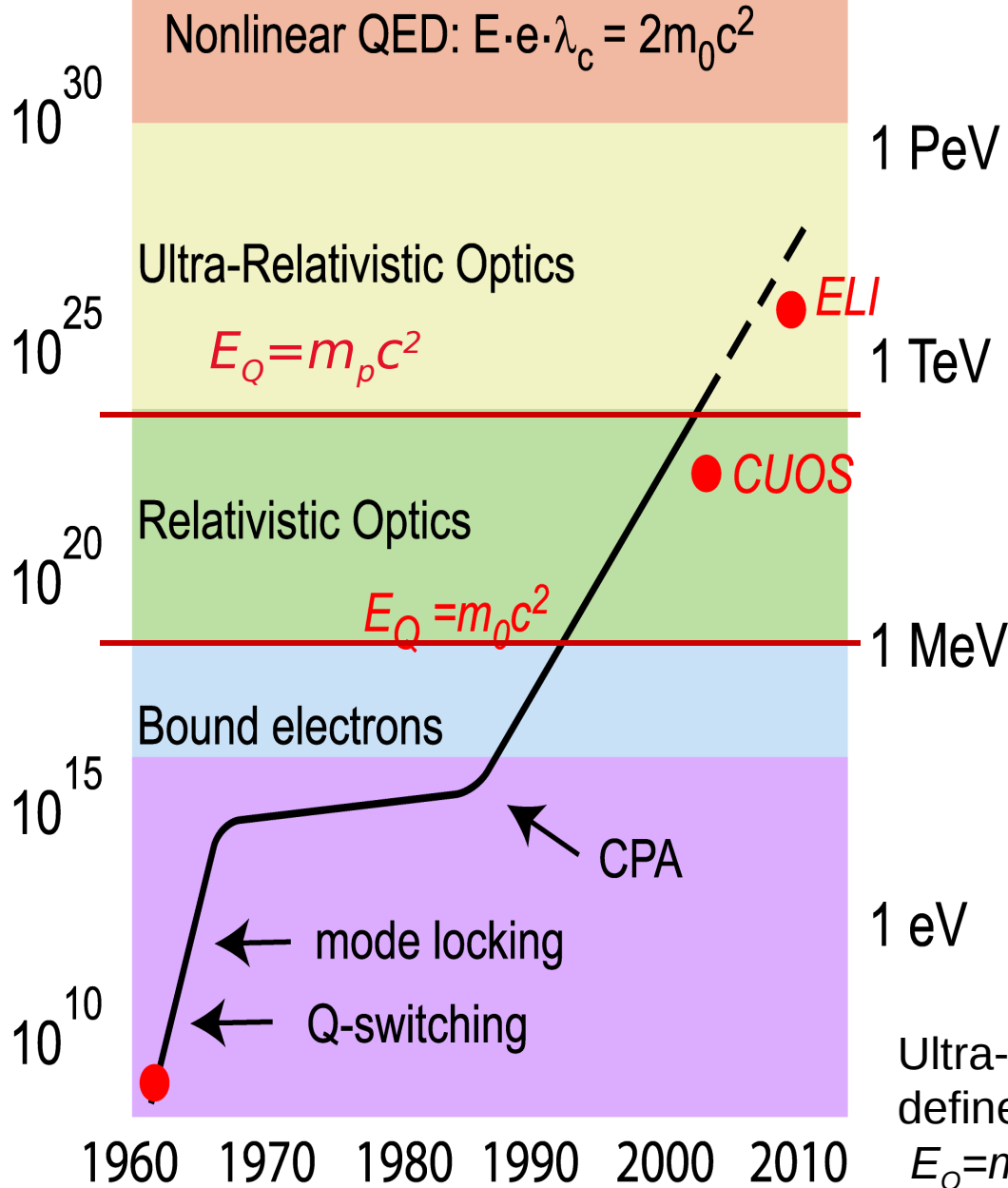


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Focused Intensity (W/cm^2)



Ultra-relativistic intensity is defined with respect to the proton $E_Q = m_p c^2$, intensity $\sim 10^{24} W/cm^2$



**Single governance, three-site
research infrastructure:**

ELI-ERIC

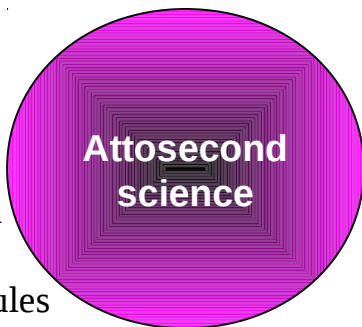
(European Research Infrastructure Consortium)

... is to be formed in 2011

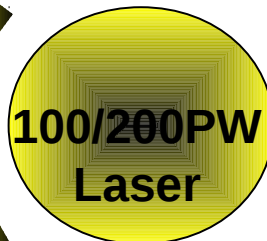


Attosecond
to zeptosecond
Physics

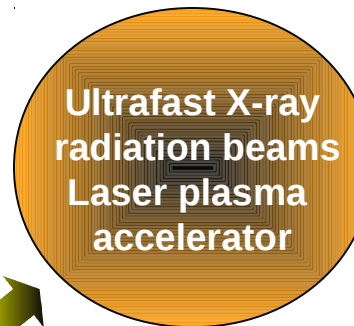
Application
Ultrafast phenomena
Wave function
in atoms and molecules



Attosecond
science



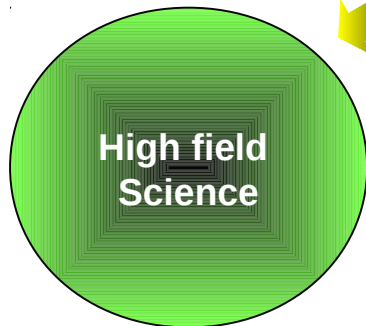
100/200PW
Laser



Ultrafast X-ray
radiation beams
Laser plasma
accelerator

Coherent (X,g)-rays
(FEL, HHG & plasma)
Incoherent (X,g)-rayBeams
(synchrotron-like, atomic)

Beam lines facility
Electrons beam
Gamma imaging
Protons beam



High field
Science

NLQED
Fundamental
physics
Exotic physics

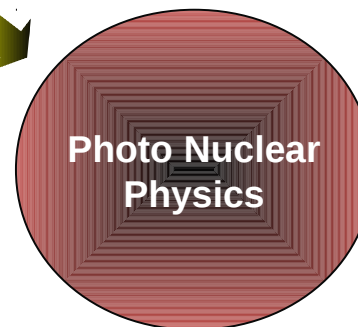


Photo Nuclear
Physics

Nuclear Physics
Transmutation





Fundamental intensity dependent regimes of interaction

Amplitude $\left[a_0 = \frac{eE_0}{m_e c \omega} \right]$	Intensity $\left[\frac{W}{cm^2} \right]$	Regime
$a_{QED} = \frac{m_e c^2}{h\omega}$	2.4×10^{29}	e^+, e^- in vacuum
$a_{QM} = \frac{2e^2 m_e c}{3h^2 \omega}$	5.6×10^{24}	quantum effects
$a_p = \frac{m_p}{m_e}$	1.3×10^{24}	ultra - relativistic p
$a_{rad} = \left(\frac{3\lambda}{4\pi r_e} \right)^{1/3}$	1×10^{23}	radiation damping
$a_{rel} = 1$	1.3×10^{18}	relativistic e^-

$$e\lambda E_{rel} = m_e c^2$$

$$e\lambda E_{ultrarel} = m_p c^2$$

$$e\lambda_{comp} E_{rel} = m_e c^2$$

$$\lambda_{comp} (electron) = 2.4 \times 10^{-6} \mu m$$

$$E_0 [V/cm] = 19 \sqrt{I [W/cm^2]}$$

Very compact accelerators can be built



The European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI) has been set-up to help facing important challenges in science:

Roadmap of Europe
for Research Infrastructures



For the scientific case please visit the web-page

www.eli-laser.eu

Laser acceleration
Towards 100 GeV (electrons, ions)

Investigation of Vacuum Structure
Towards Schwinger Fields

e-, e+ pair production,
colliding fast electrons ($\gamma > 1000$) with ultra-intense laser fields

Attosecond science
Coherent x-rays: going beyond 1-10 KeV

Nuclear Physics
Explore nuclei with photons



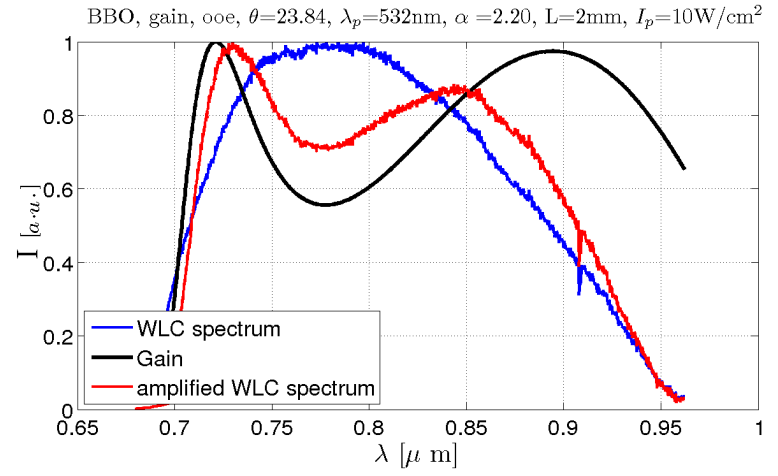
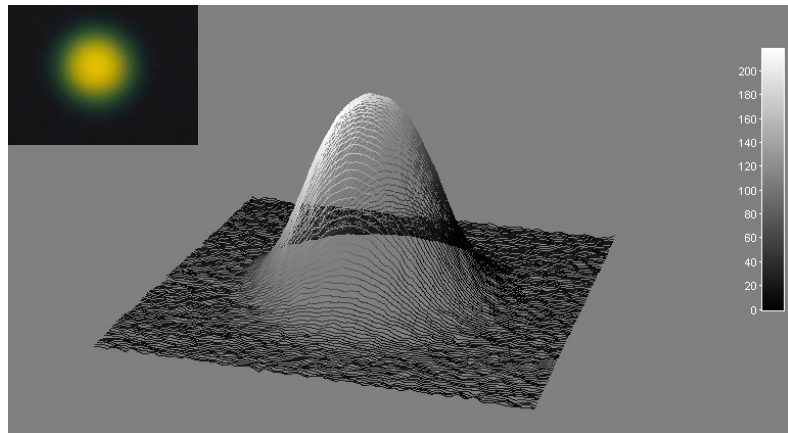


Pulse shortening and frequency conversion to Attoseconds and shorter Generation of light (photons)

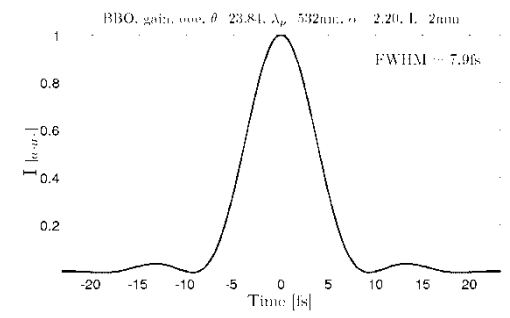
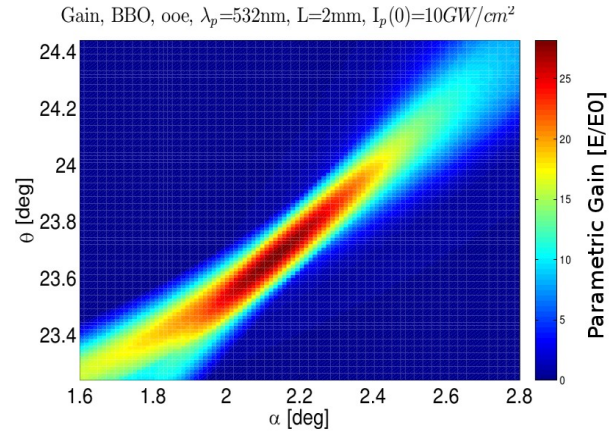
ELI generates unique, perfectly
synchronized sources
of particle and photon beams
from GeV (TeV) to visible THz , x-ray
and γ - beams

Front end development: Generation and amplification of WLC

WLC beam profile (Sapphire), 1 kHz 710-900 nm



Dependence of OPA gain on pump-signal and synchronisation angle





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HiLASE center in 2022 www.hilase.cz



We are now looking for Technicians, Ph.D. students, Junior Researchers, Senior Researches



HiLASE project

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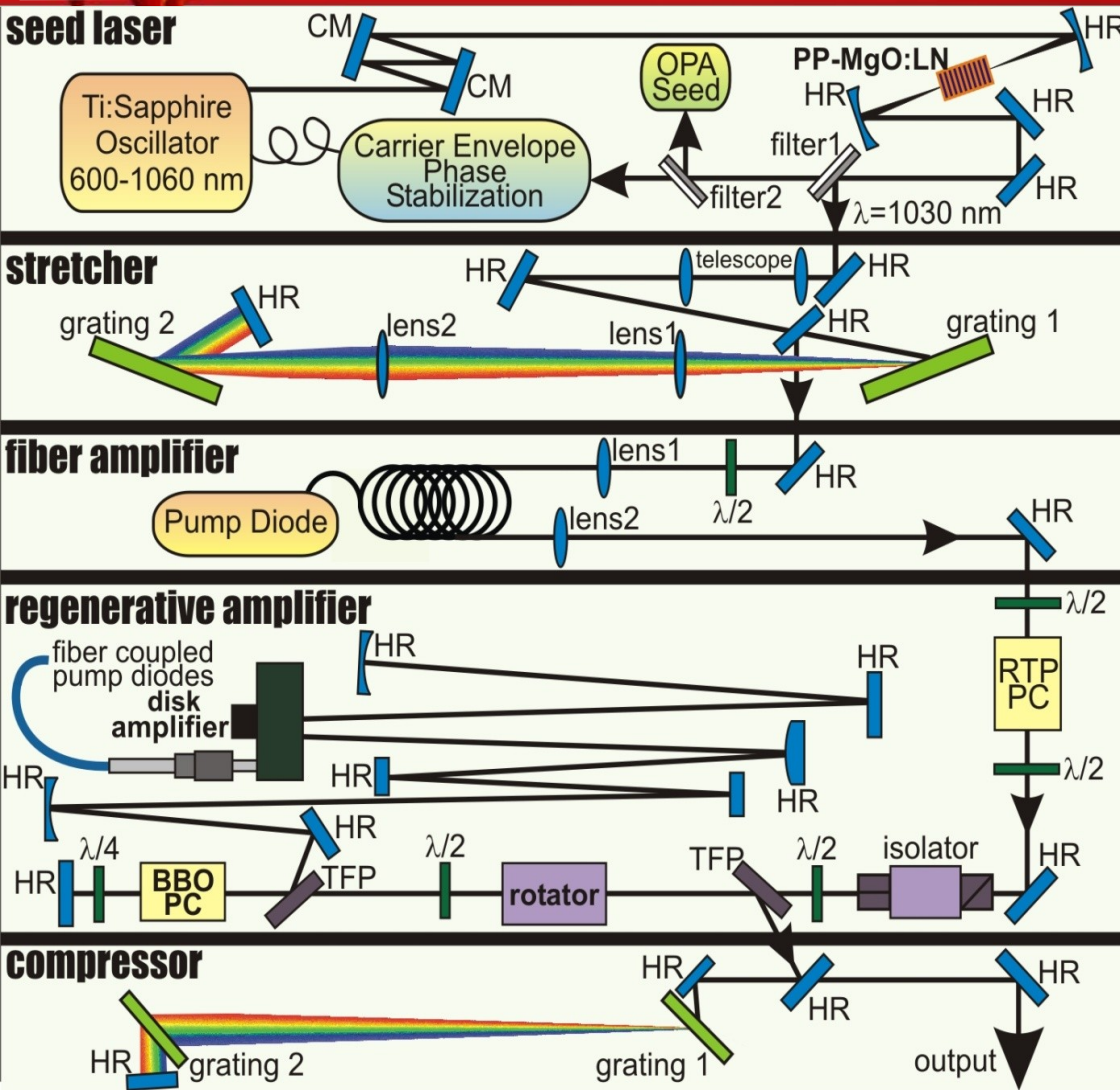
30 M € Diode pumped Lasers for applications





New lasers for industry and research

- **High average power pulsed LASERs**
- **Czech national project on development of advanced solid-state laser technologies based on diode pumping**
- **Motivated by strong need for head-start laser technology development & prototyping for the next generation of high rep. rate laser facilities**
- **Potential of industrial applications using rep. rate, high-peak and high-average power lasers**
- **Implementation phase: 4 years (fully supported)**
- **Operational phase: ALAP (institutional/grants/contractual)**



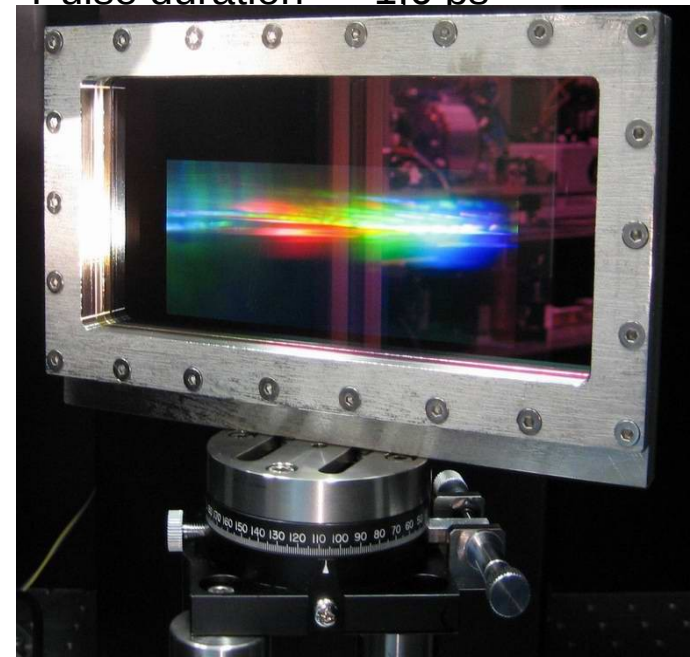
Compressor (negative GDD)
(Uni Jena 1400 Lines/mm):

Bandwidth ~ 1 nm @ 1030 nm

GDD $\sim -10^8$ fs²

Efficiency ~ 77 %

Pulse duration 1.6 ps



0.5 kW ; 1J-2 J, 1 kHz staging for pumping the OPCPA, 1 kHz, Common effort, MPQ,
court.T. Metzger



Intensity of radiation emitted by electron is given by

$$I = \frac{2e^2}{3m_e^2c^3} \left(\frac{dp_i}{ds} \frac{dp_i}{ds} \right)$$

In circularly polarized EM wave (**in plasma**), whose

amplitude is equal to $a_0 = \frac{eE_0}{m_e\omega_0c}$ electron energy

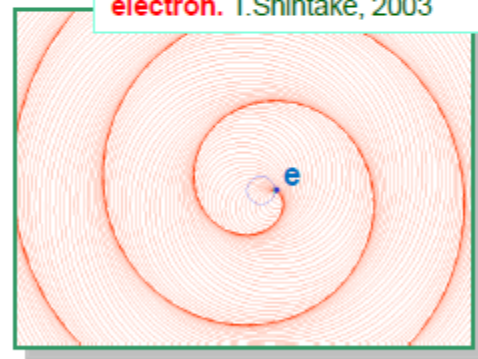
losses are

$$\mathcal{E}^{(-)} = \frac{2e^4E_0^2}{3m_e^2c^3} \left[1 + \left(\frac{eE_0}{m_e\omega_0c} \right)^2 \right]$$

For linearly polarized wave we have

$$\mathcal{E}^{(-)} = \frac{e^4E_0^2}{3m_e^2c^3} \left[1 + \frac{3}{8} \left(\frac{eE_0}{m_e\omega_0c} \right)^2 \right]$$

Pattern of field emitted by electron. T.Shintake, 2003



L.D.Landau & E.M.Lifshitz
«The Classical Theory of Fields»



Quantum Effects become important, when the recoil due to photon emission becomes of the order of the electron momentum, i.e. At

$$\gamma_e \geq \gamma_Q = \left(\frac{m_e c^2}{\hbar \omega_0} \right)^{1/2}$$

For electron gamma-factor $\gamma_e = (a_0 / \varepsilon_{rad})^{1/4}$ it yields the **quantum limit**:

$$a_Q = \frac{2e^2 m_e c}{3 \hbar^2 \omega_0} = \frac{2\alpha}{3} \frac{m_e c^2}{\hbar \omega_0}$$

EM wave amplitude and intensity correspond to

$$E_Q = \frac{2e m_e^2 c^2}{3 \hbar^2} = \frac{2\alpha}{3} E_{QED}, \quad \alpha = \frac{e^2}{\hbar c} \approx \frac{1}{137}$$

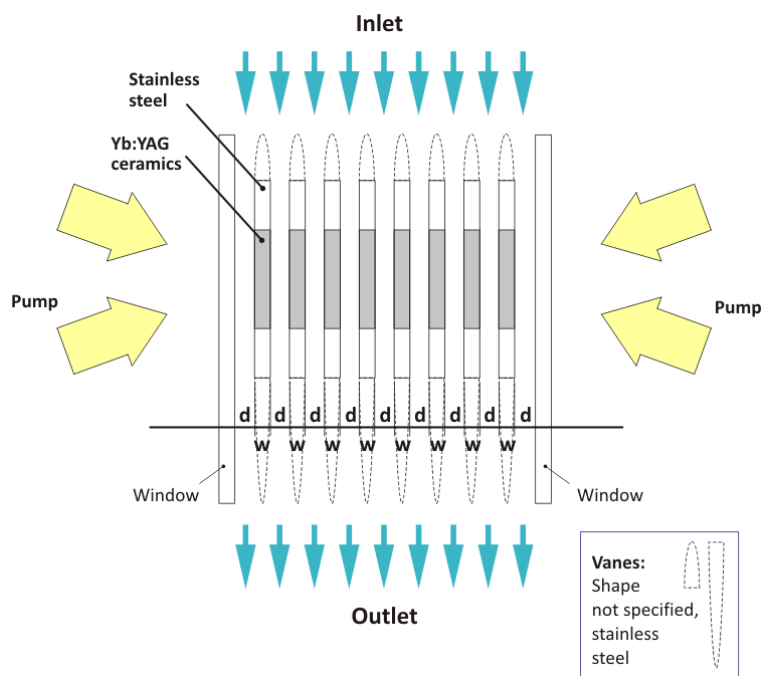
and $I_{las} = 8.5 \times 10^{24} \text{ W/cm}^2$

Here E_{QED} is the Schwinger field $E_{QED} = \frac{m_e^2 c^3}{e \hbar}$

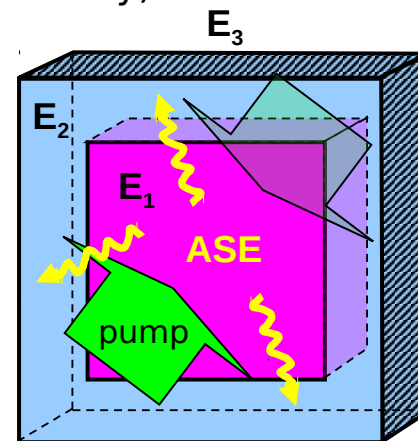
Modelling of ASE losses and energy budget in multislab lasers

Design phase of 500 J / 10 Hz multislab amplifiers
(collaboration with Rutherford Appleton Laboratory)

Baseline model



8 Yb:YAG slabs, each 8 mm thick
Nominal operation temp. 170K



Heat sources in the crystal:

- Transition (>11 %):
Stokes defect
Quantum efficiency (non-radiative)
- Radiative (>35 %)
Absorption on impurities
Absorption on the ASE absorber
Higher orders effects (collective absorption)
- ASE losses can be limited by MLD absorptive coating or Cr:YAG absorber
- Heat conduction calculations predict < 4 K temperature non-uniformity



Two other important steps:

Phase control in stretchers and compressors including higher order material dispersion of the amplifier system

Regenerative pulse shaping

enabled the first 18fs TW pulse generation in 1996



October 1, 1993 / Vol. 18, No. 19 / OPTICS LETTERS

Quintic-phase-limited, spatially uniform expansion and recompression of ultrashort optical pulses

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Received April 15, 1993

Design of an expansion and recompression system for amplification of sub-20-fs optical pulses to multiterawatt peak powers is presented. The system allows one to eliminate spatial inhomogeneities and cubic and quartic phase errors that make existing designs unsuitable for use with pulses much shorter than 100 fs. We experimentally demonstrate $>10,000$ times expansion and recompression of ~ 25 -fs optical pulses.

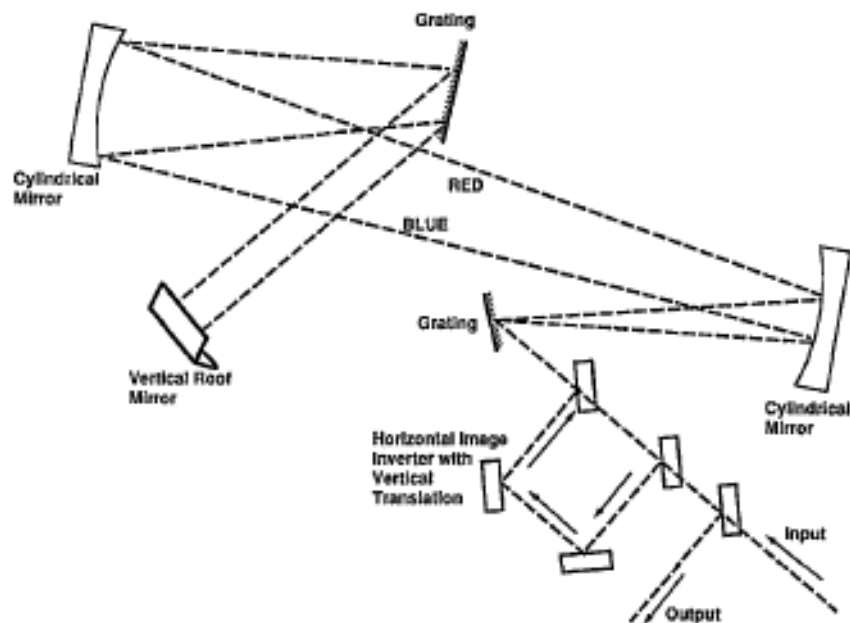


Fig. 1. Schematic of the all-reflective pulse expander. The beam is vertically multiplexed four times, with vertical displacement occurring twice at the roof mirror and once at the horizontal image inverter.



Regenerative pulse shaping and amplification of ultrabroadband optical pulses

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Regenerative pulse shaping is used to alleviate gain narrowing during ultrashort-pulse amplification. Amplification bandwidths of ~ 100 nm, or nearly three times wider than the traditional gain-narrowing limit, are produced with a modified Ti:sapphire regenerative amplifier. This novel regenerative amplifier has been used to amplify pulses to the 5-mJ level with a bandwidth sufficient to support ~ 10 -fs pulses. © 1996 Optical

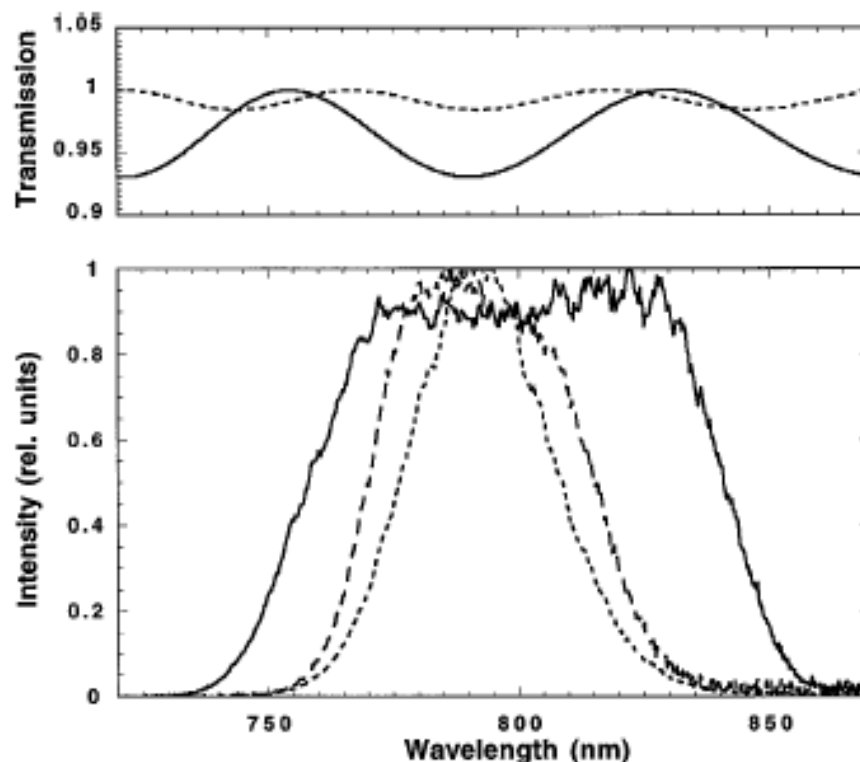


Fig. 2. Bottom plot: ASE spectra from the free-running amplifier without a filter (dotted curve, 33 nm FWHM), with a 5- μm étalon (dashed curve, 45 nm FWHM), and with a 3- μm étalon (solid curve, 84 nm FWHM). Top plot: representative single-pass transmission curves for a 3- μm (solid curve) and a 5- μm (dashed curve) nitrocellulose étalon oriented to be antiresonant at ~ 790 nm (angles of incidence 5.6 and 11.5 deg, respectively).

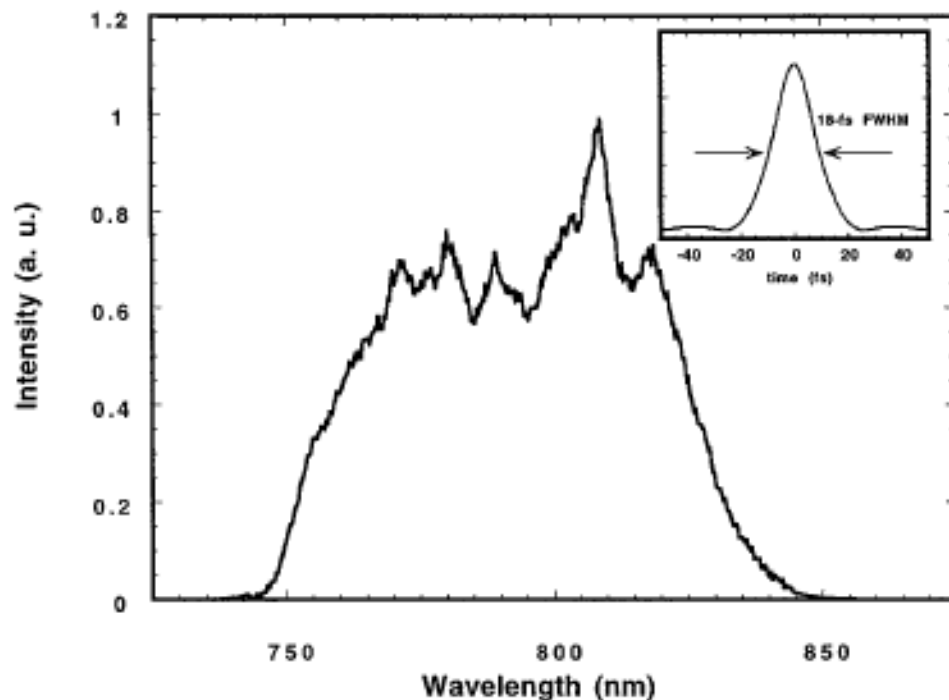


Fig. 3. Measured amplified spectrum. Inset: transform-limited pulse shape corresponding to this spectrum (FWHM 18 fs).

C. P. J. Barty et al Optics Letters V.21, May 1, pp. 668
„Generation of 18fs multiterawatt pulses by regenerative pulse shaping and CPA“



Micromachining with fs-pulses

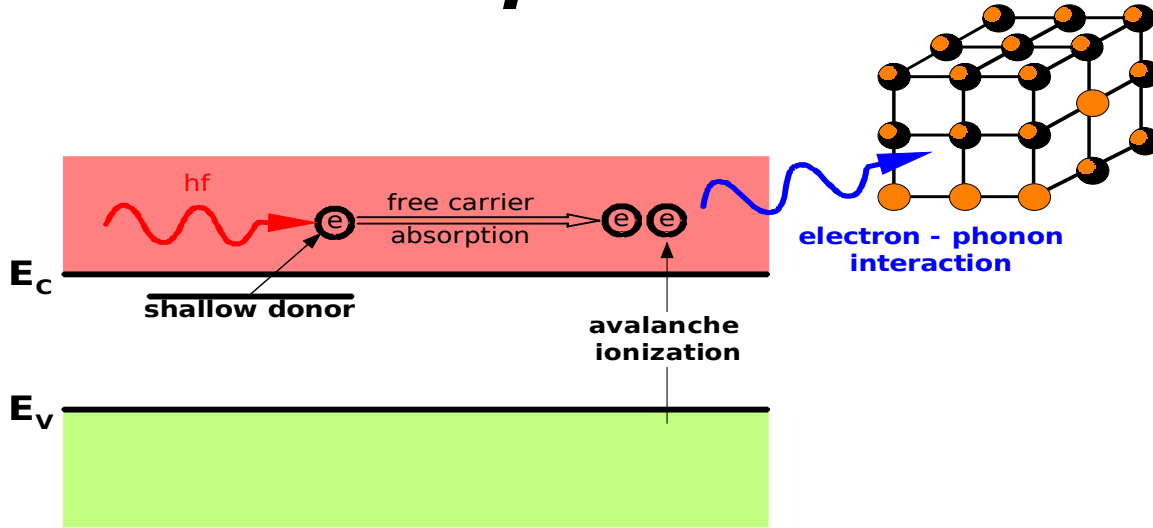
little collateral damage (pulse shorter than the electron-phonon coupling time in most media)

very precise, allows structuring inside transparent materials (Ophthalmology, LASIK and Cataract Surgery)

FR !

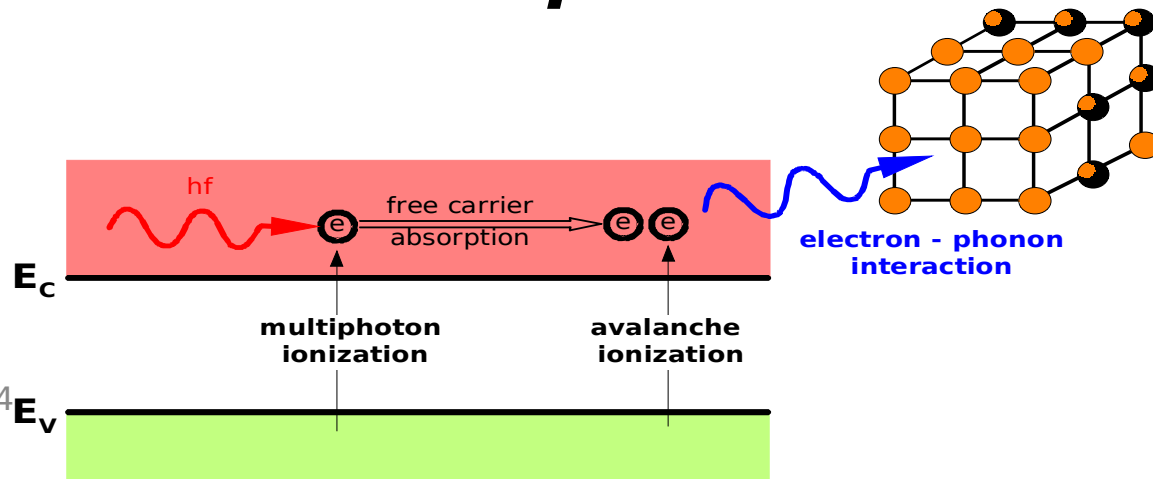
the process is deterministic, starts from seed electrons generated by multiphoton ionization
not from impurities which are statistically distributed

Nanosecond pulses:



statistical proc.
by heat transfer to
the lattice affects
Bigger zones

Femtosecond pulses:



highly deterministic
no heat transfer to
the lattice; well
defined and precise
micromachining



Laser-induced breakdown by impact ionization in SiO₂ with pulse widths from 7 ns to 150 fs

D. Du, X. Liu, G. Korn, J. Squier, and G. Mourou

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(Received 13 September 1993; accepted for publication 16 March 1994)

Results of laser-induced breakdown experiments in fused silica (SiO₂) employing 150 fs–7 ns, 780 nm laser pulses are reported. The avalanche ionization mechanism is found to dominate over the entire pulse-width range. Fluence breakdown threshold does not follow the scaling of $F_{th} \sim \sqrt{\tau_p}$, when pulses are shorter than 10 ps. The impact ionization coefficient of SiO₂ is measured up to $\sim 3 \times 10^8$ V/cm. The relative role of photoionization in breakdown for ultrashort pulses is discussed.

Appl. Phys. Lett., Vol. 64, No. 23, 6 June 1994



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Equations of electron motion are:

$$m_e c \frac{du^i}{ds} = \frac{e}{c} F^{ik} u_k + g^i$$

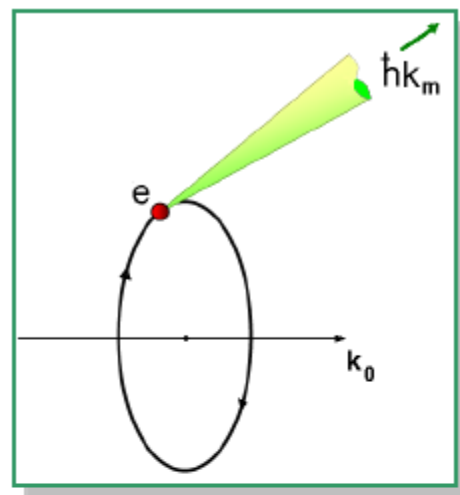
Radiation friction force is given by

$$g^i = \frac{2e^2}{3c} \left(\frac{d^2 u^i}{ds^2} - u^i u^k \frac{d^2 u_k}{ds^2} \right)$$

Here $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$, s is proper time: $ds = c \frac{dt}{\gamma}$

4-velocity is $u^i = \frac{dx^i}{ds} = \left(\gamma, \frac{\mathbf{p}}{m_e c} \right)$

and $F_{ij} = \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x^i} - \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x^j}$ is 4-tensor of EM field





The EM wave can provide energy gain rate not higher than

$$\dot{\mathcal{E}}^{(+)} \approx \omega_0 m_e c^2 a_0$$

Energy Balance Condition $\dot{\mathcal{E}}^{(+)} = \dot{\mathcal{E}}^{(-)}$ yields

$$a_{rad}^c = (3\lambda_0 / 4\pi r_e)^{1/3} \quad \text{for circular polarization}$$

$$a_{rad}^l = (4\lambda_0 / \pi r_e)^{1/3} \quad \text{for linear polarization}$$

where $r_e = e^2 / m_e c^2 \approx 2.8 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$ is classical electron radius

For laser wavelength of $\lambda_0 = 0.8 \mu\text{m}$ we obtain

$$a_{rad}^c = 408 \quad \text{and} \quad a_{rad}^l = 713$$

which corresponds to laser intensity $I_{las} = (4.5 - 7.0) \times 10^{23} \text{ W/cm}^2$

Emitted γ - photon energy: $\hbar\omega = \hbar\omega_0 a_{rad}^3 \approx (70 - 350) \text{ MeV}$



Secondary effects of
electron acceleration:

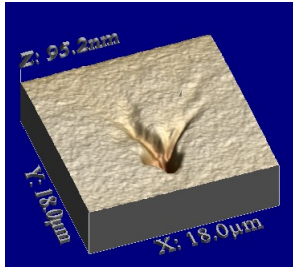
X-ray Beams

(compact laser driven LUX, X-FEL,
betatron radiation, gamma..)

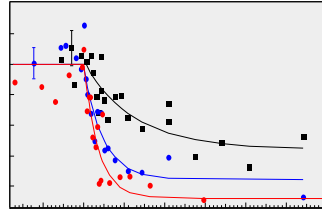
Motivations : bright fs sources for applications



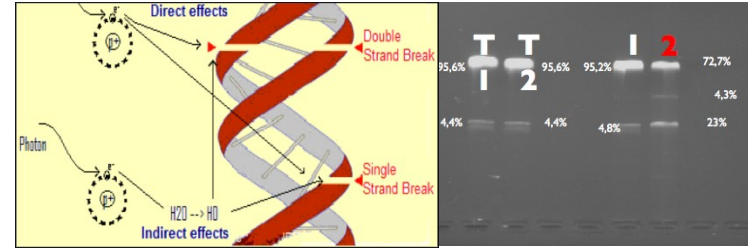
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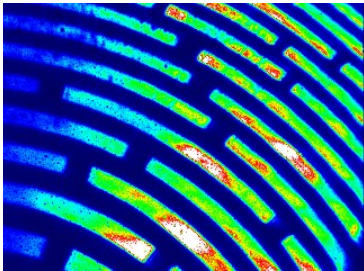
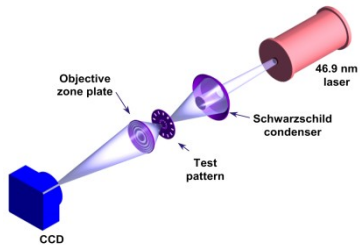
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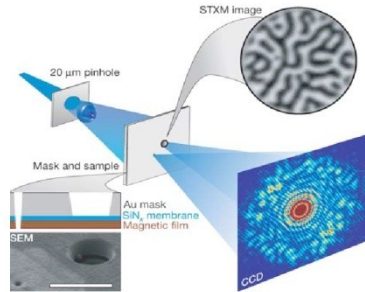
Bio structures, damage



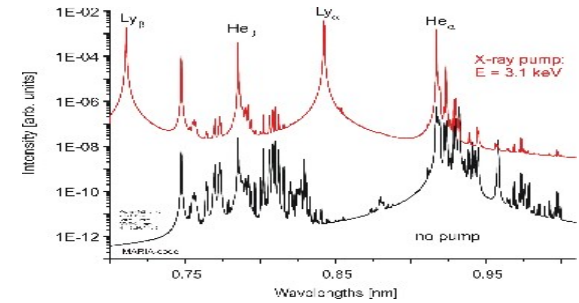
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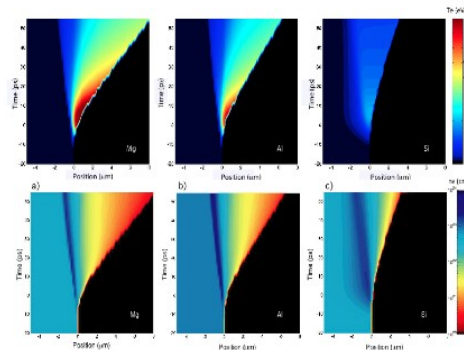
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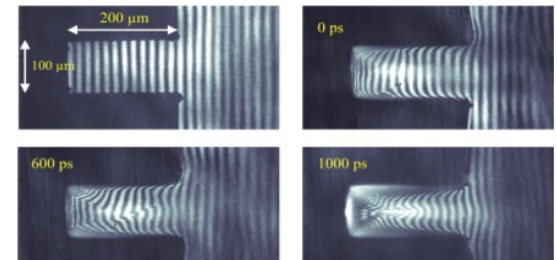
Atomic physics



Warm dense matter

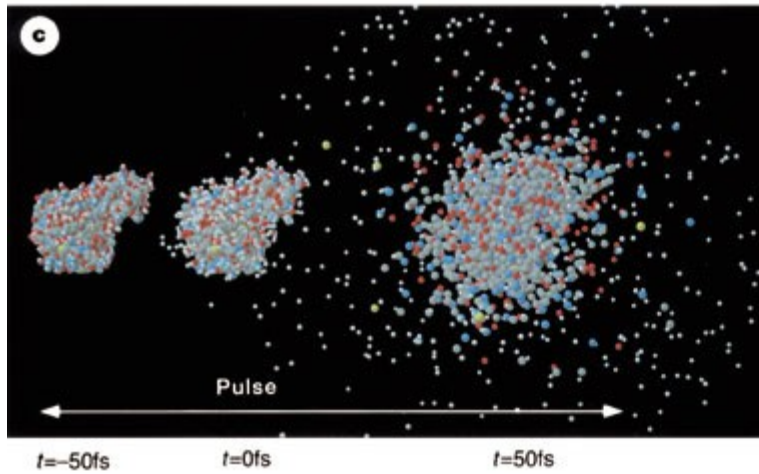
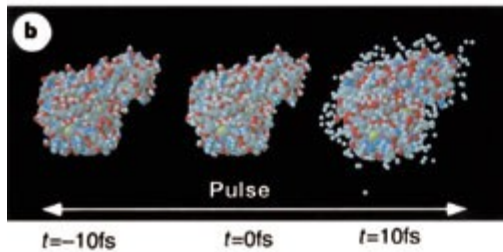
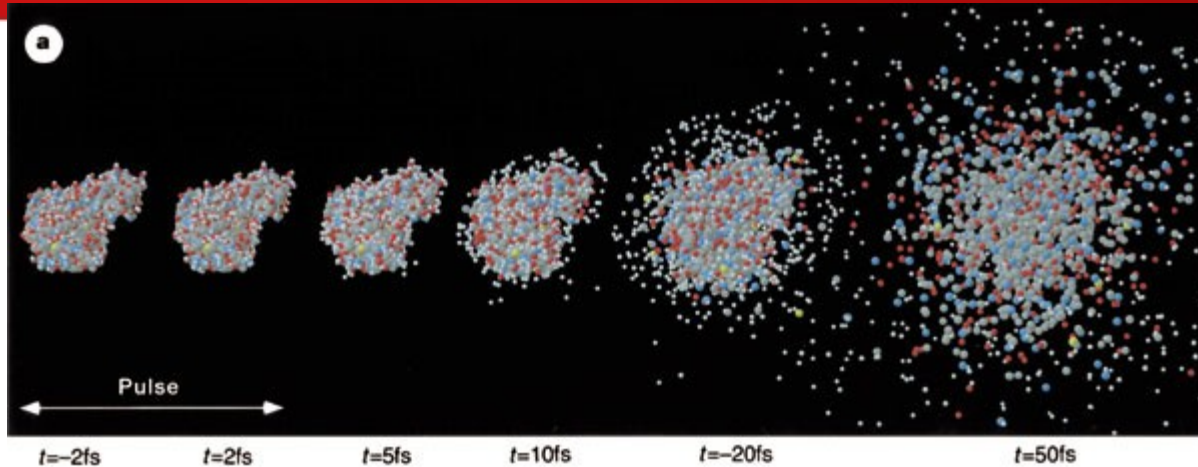


Plasma diagnostics



Explosion of T4 lysozyme (white, H; grey, C; blue, N; red, O; yellow, S) induced by radiation damage.

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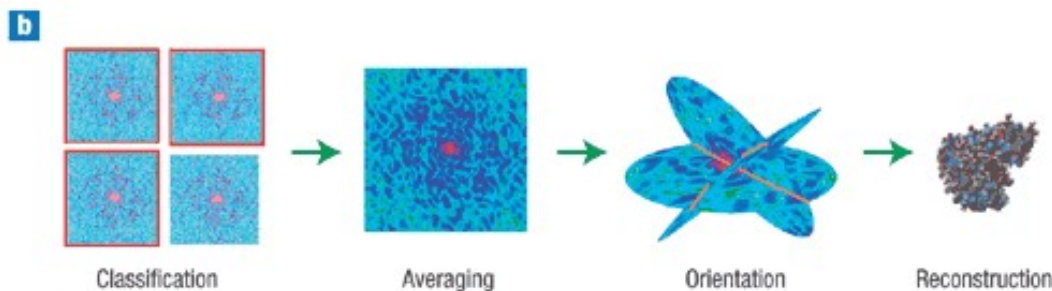
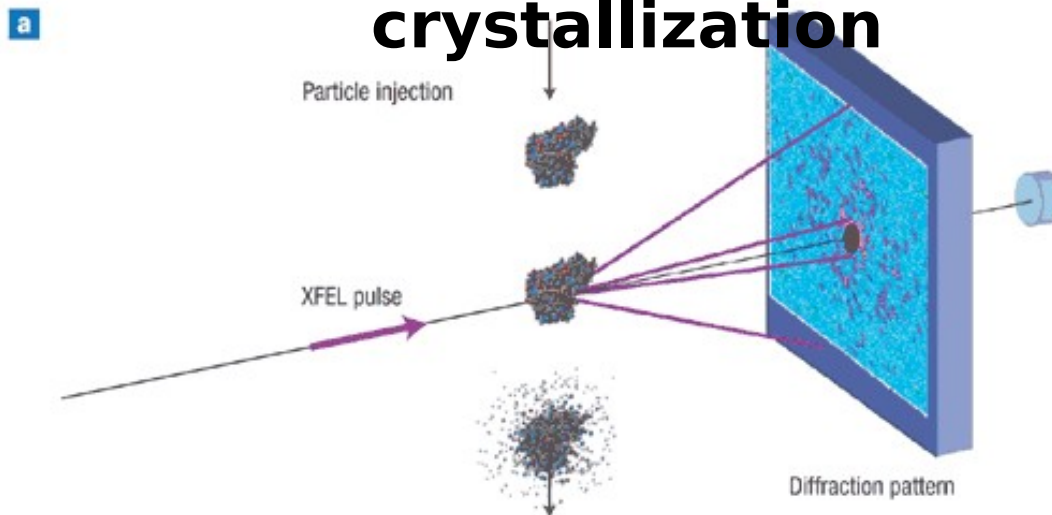


The integrated X-ray intensity is 3×10^{12} (12 keV) photons per 100-nm diameter spot (3.8×10^6 photons per \AA^2) in all cases.

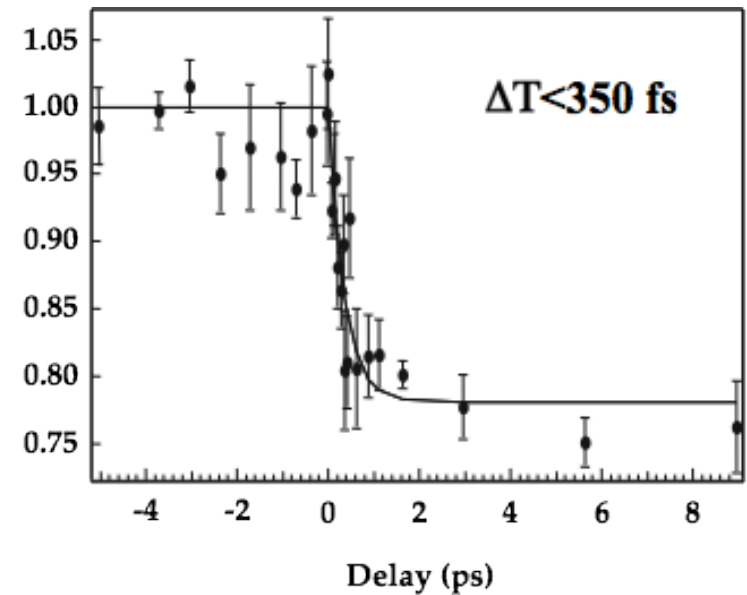
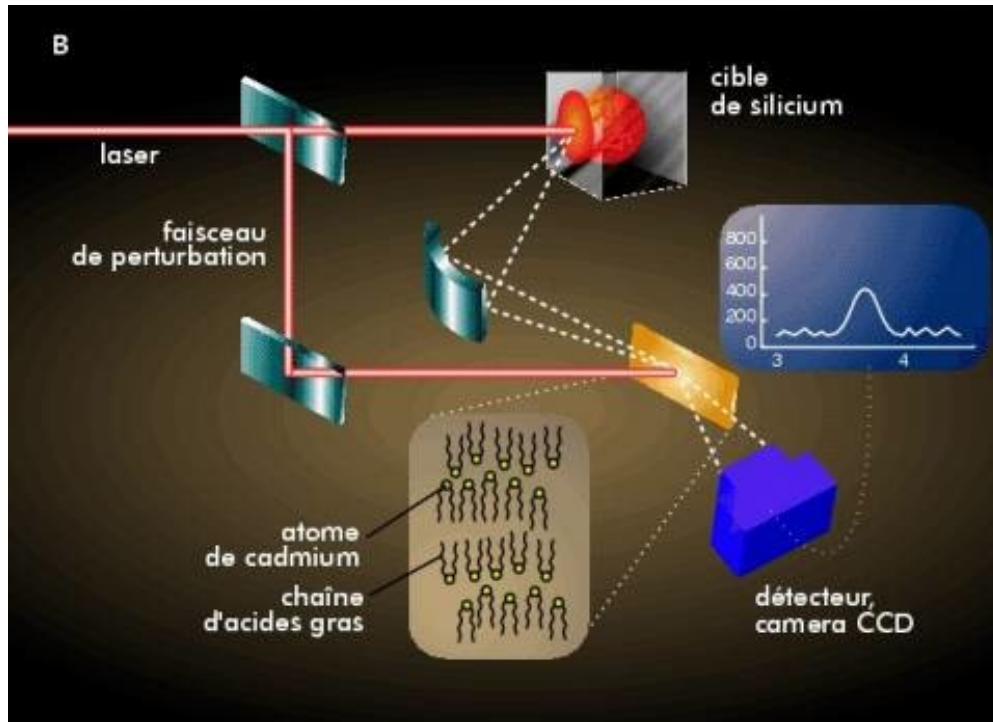
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Single-particle diffraction imaging of biological particles without crystallization



K-alpha emission appropriate for pump-probe experiments with 100 fs time resolution





Initial configuration

RPDA Particle-In-Cell simulation



$$a = 316, \quad I = 10^{23} \text{ W / cm}^2$$

$$20\lambda \times 10\lambda, \quad s - pol$$

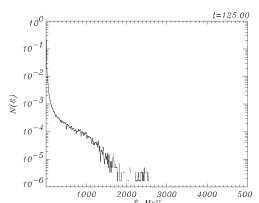
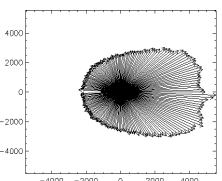
$$l_0 = 0.25\lambda, \quad \frac{\omega}{\omega_{pe}} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{m_p}{m_e} = 1836$$

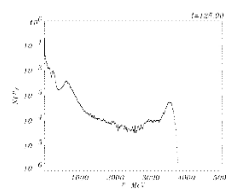
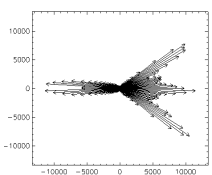
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$N_e(E)$



$N_p(E)$