

Accelerator-driven Compton Gamma-ray Source: High Intensity Gamma-ray Source



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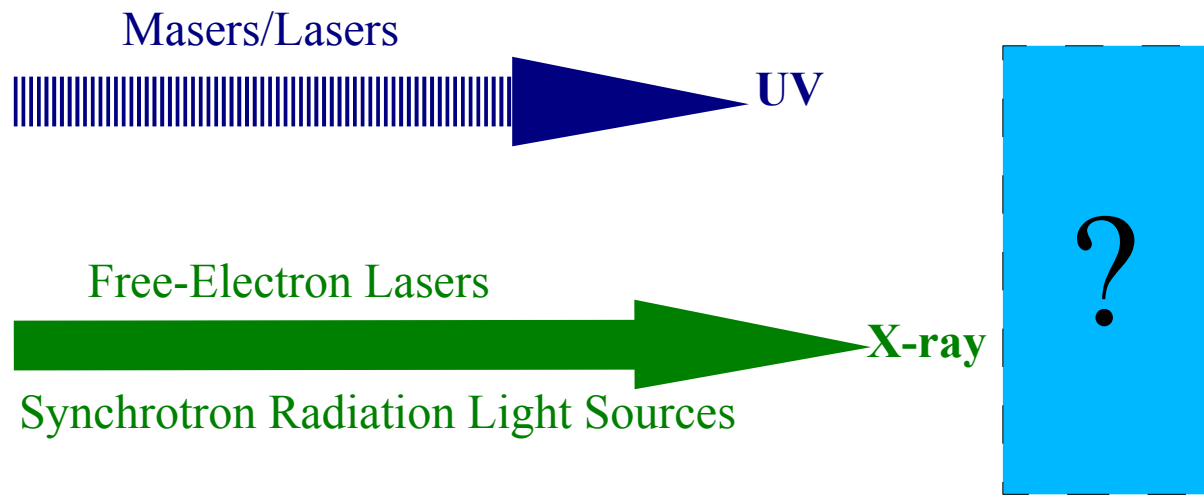
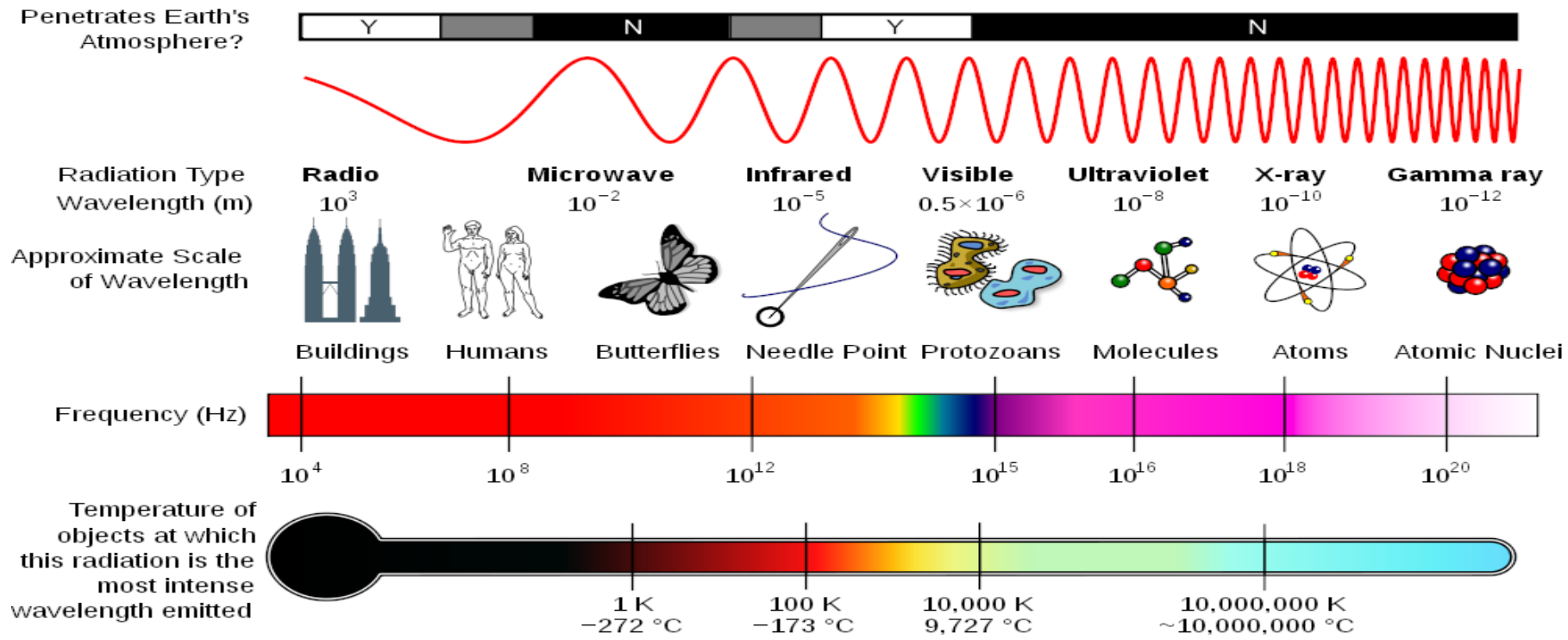
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- **Accelerator Driven Light Sources**
 - Compton Gamma-ray Source and Characteristics

- **High Intensity Gamma-ray Source (HIGS) and New Capabilities**
 - Operation Principle of HIGS
 - Gamma-ray Beam Capabilities and Performance
 - Pulsed Beam, Two-color, Polarization Control
 - Summary of Nuclear Physics Program at HIGS

- **Future Compton Gamma-ray Sources**

Spectrum of Electromagnetic Radiation



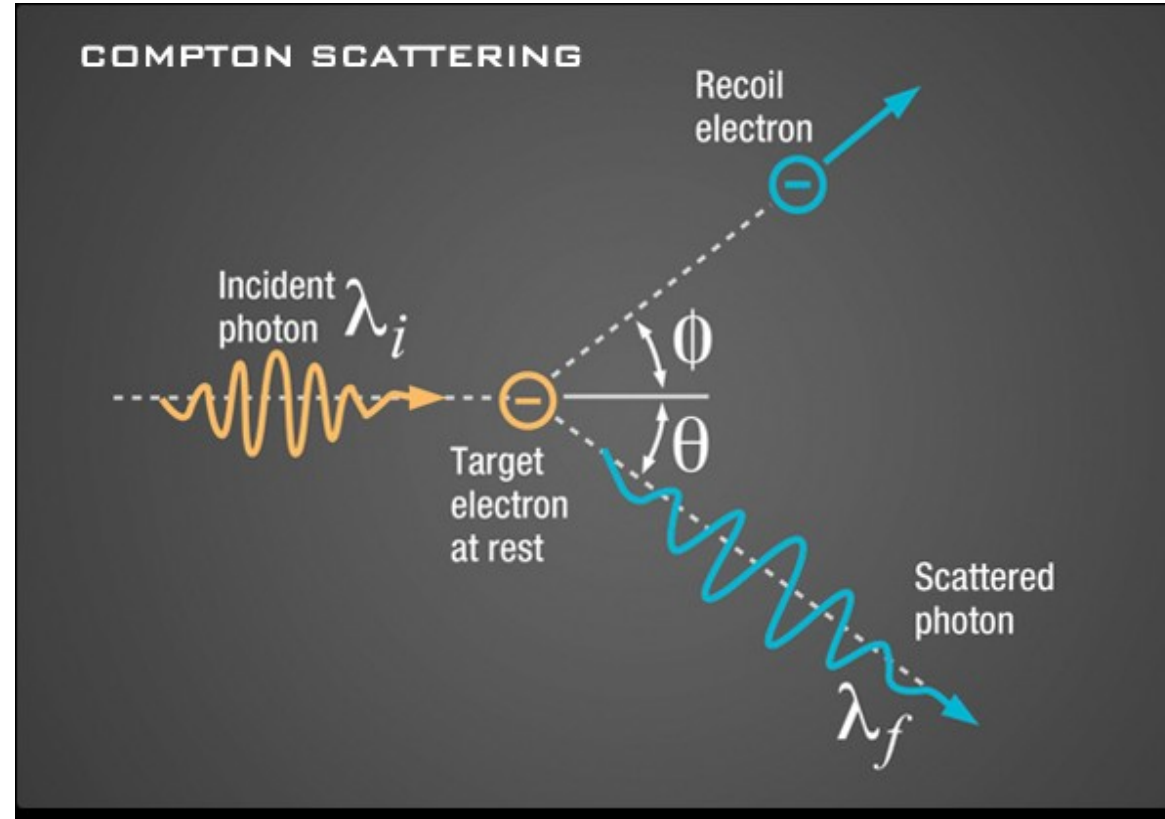


Compton Scattering

Arthur H. Compton (1892 – 1962)

Discovery: 1923

Nobel Price for Physics: 1927

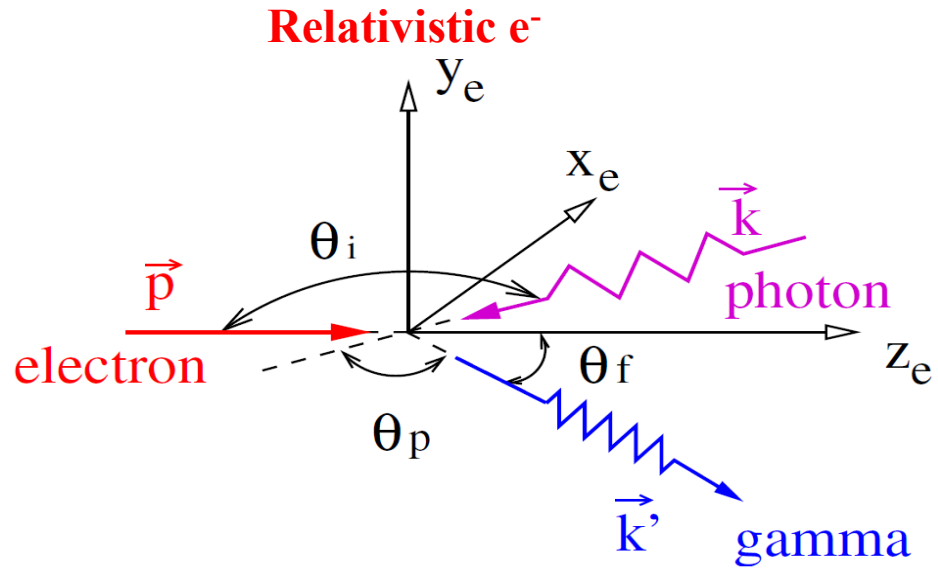


$$\lambda_f - \lambda_i = \frac{h}{m_e c} (1 - \cos \theta)$$

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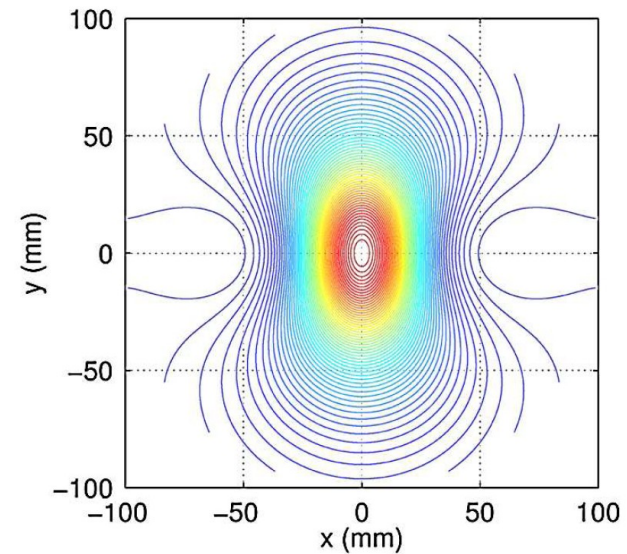
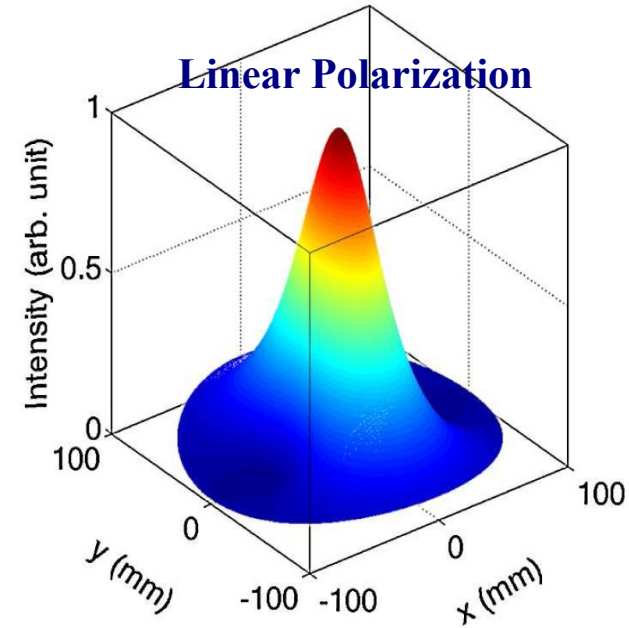
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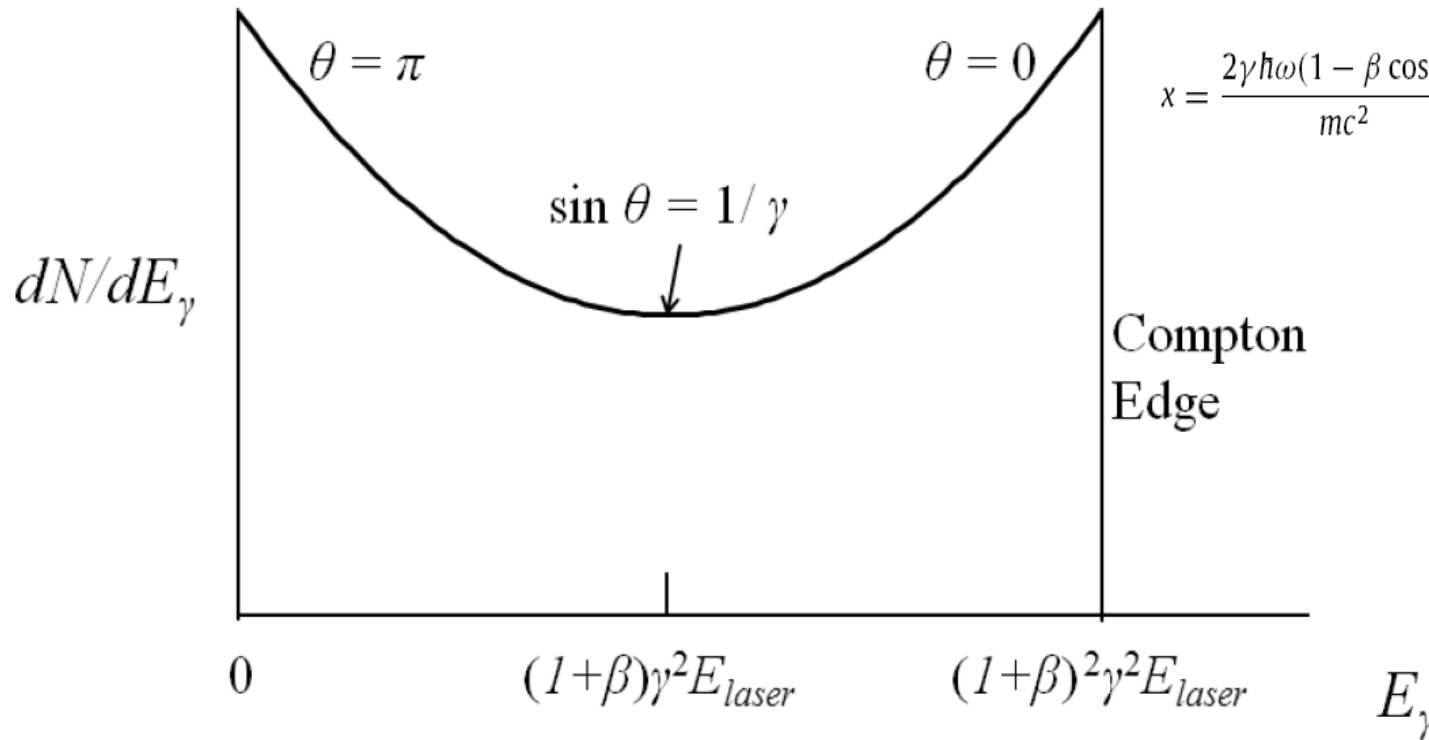


$$E_\gamma \equiv \hbar\omega' = \frac{\hbar\omega(1 - \beta \cos \theta_i)}{1 - \beta \cos \theta_f + \frac{\hbar\omega}{\mathcal{E}_e}(1 - \cos \theta_{ph})}$$

Head-on Collision: $E_\gamma^{max} \approx (\gamma(1 + \beta))^2 \hbar\omega \approx 4\gamma^2 \hbar\omega$



$$d\sigma = 8\pi r_e^2 \frac{dy}{x^2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x} \right) \right]$$



$$x = \frac{2\gamma\hbar\omega(1 - \beta \cos \theta_i)}{mc^2}, \quad y = \frac{2\gamma\hbar\omega'(1 - \beta \cos \theta_f)}{mc^2}$$

Thomson cross-section:

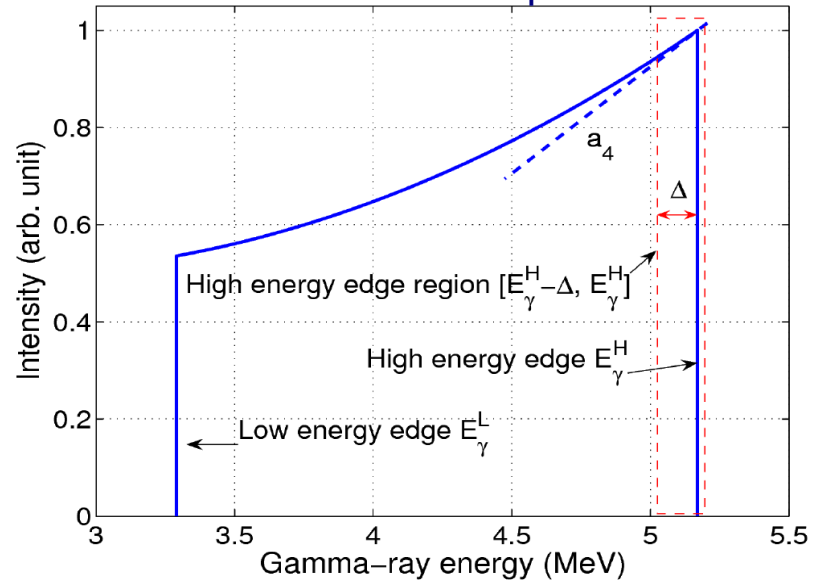
$$\sigma_0 = 6.6524 \times 10^{-29} m^2$$

Compton Photon Sources = Electron-Photon Colliders

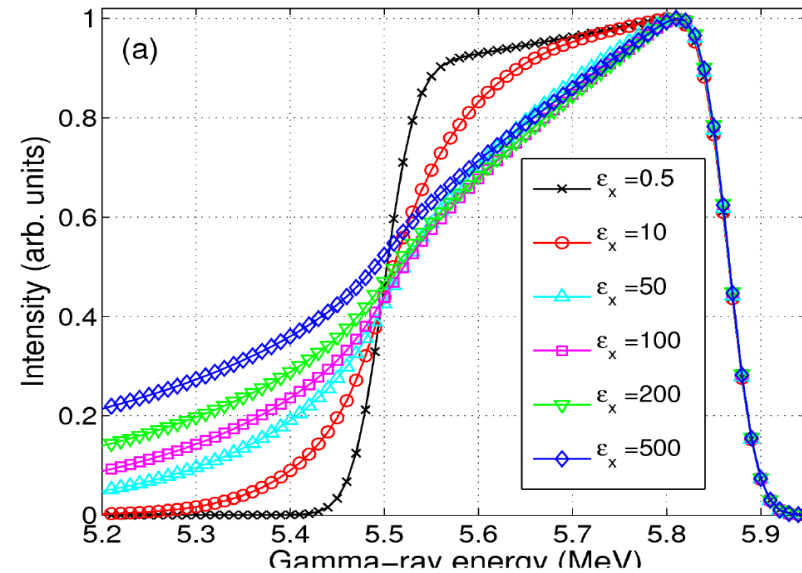
$$\frac{dN_\gamma}{dt} \sim \frac{\sigma}{A_{eff}} f N_e N_{laser}$$

Figure: G. Kraff and G. Priebe, Rev. Acc. Sci. & Tech. V3, 147 (2010).

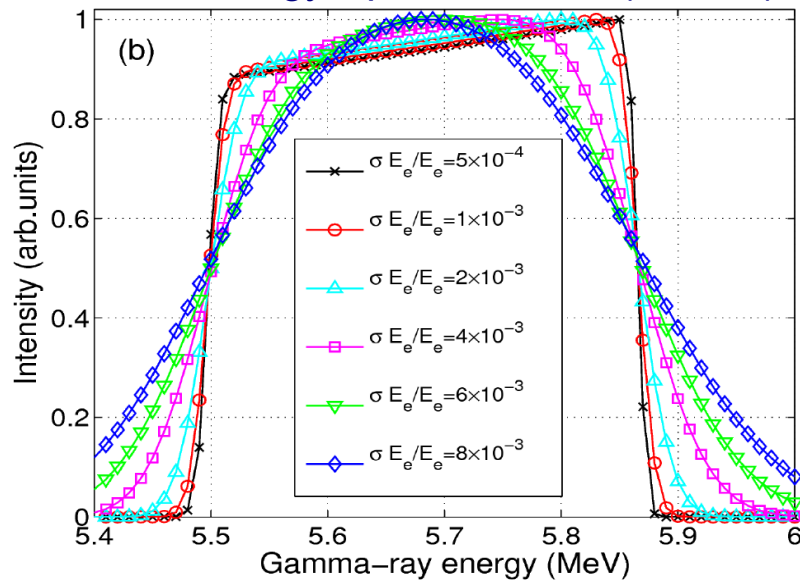
Monochromatic electron and photon beams



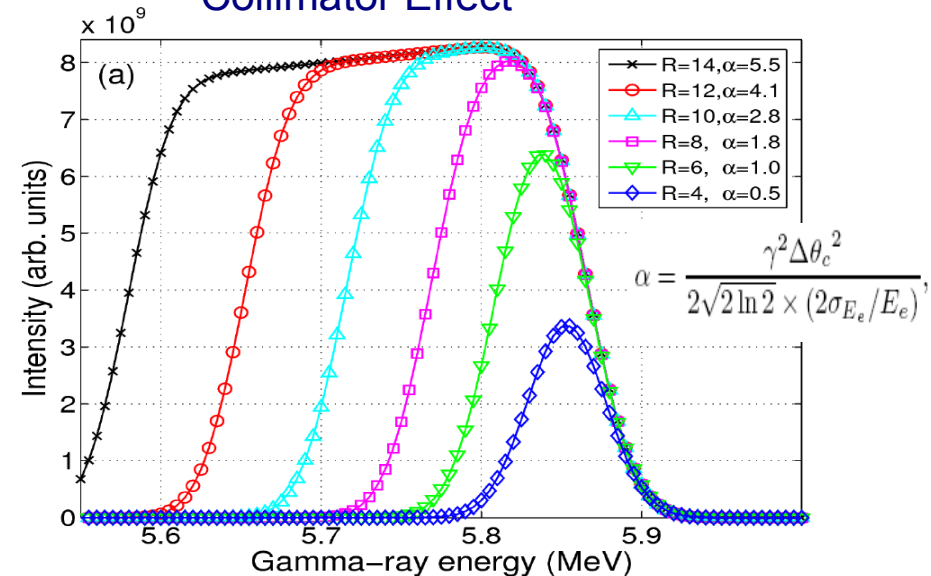
Emittance Effect (Scaled)



E-beam Energy Spread Effect (Scaled)



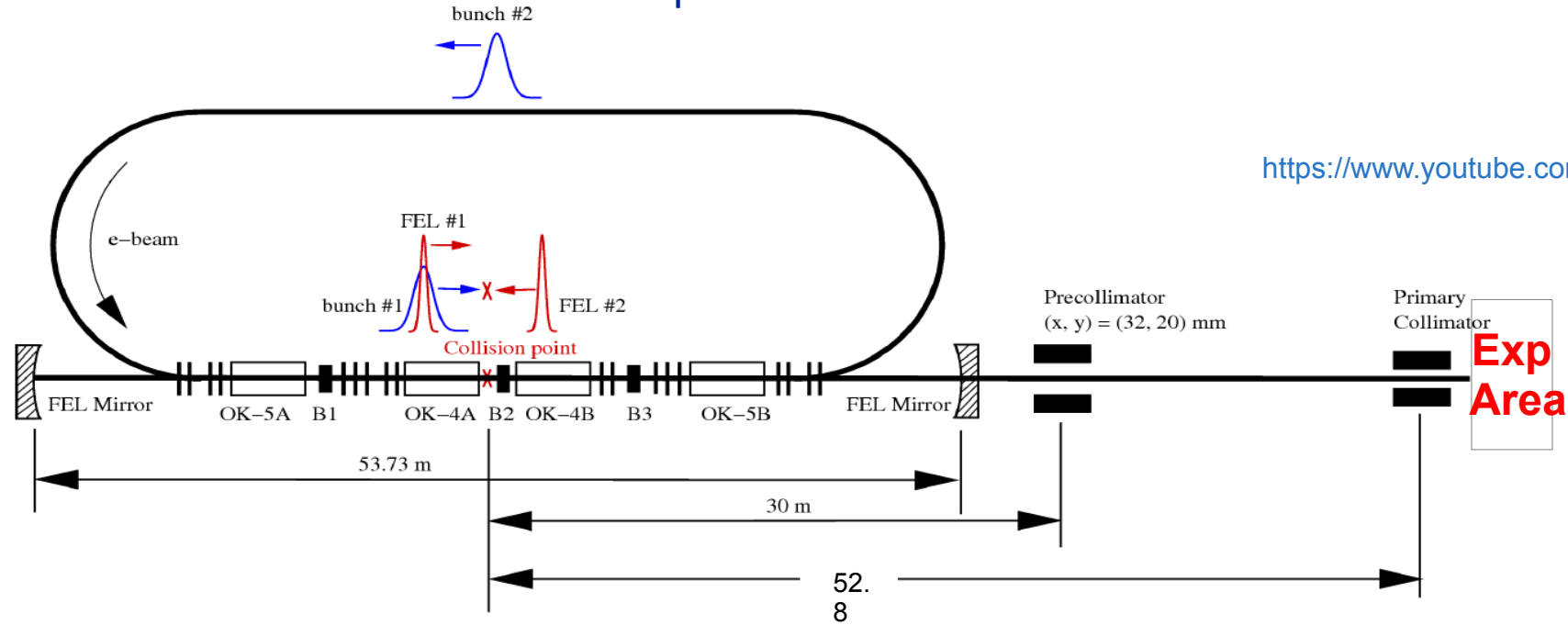
Collimator Effect



High-Intensity Gamma-ray Source (HIGS) and New Capabilities with Accelerator Research

- HIGS Facility: Compton Gamma-ray Source and Characteristics
- Pulsed Mode Operation
- Two-color FEL
- Polarization Control

Two electron bunches + two FEL pulses



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JoIXGPNGEOc>

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Gamma-Ray Production in a Storage Ring Free-Electron Laser

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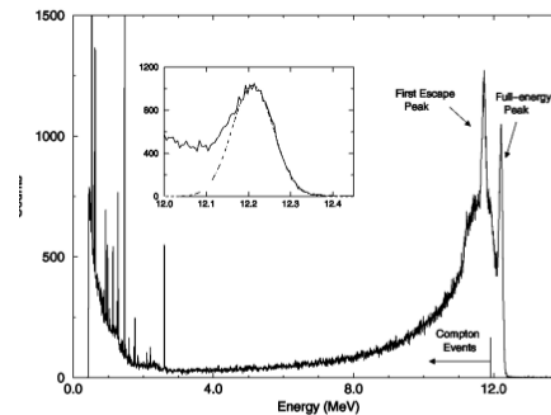
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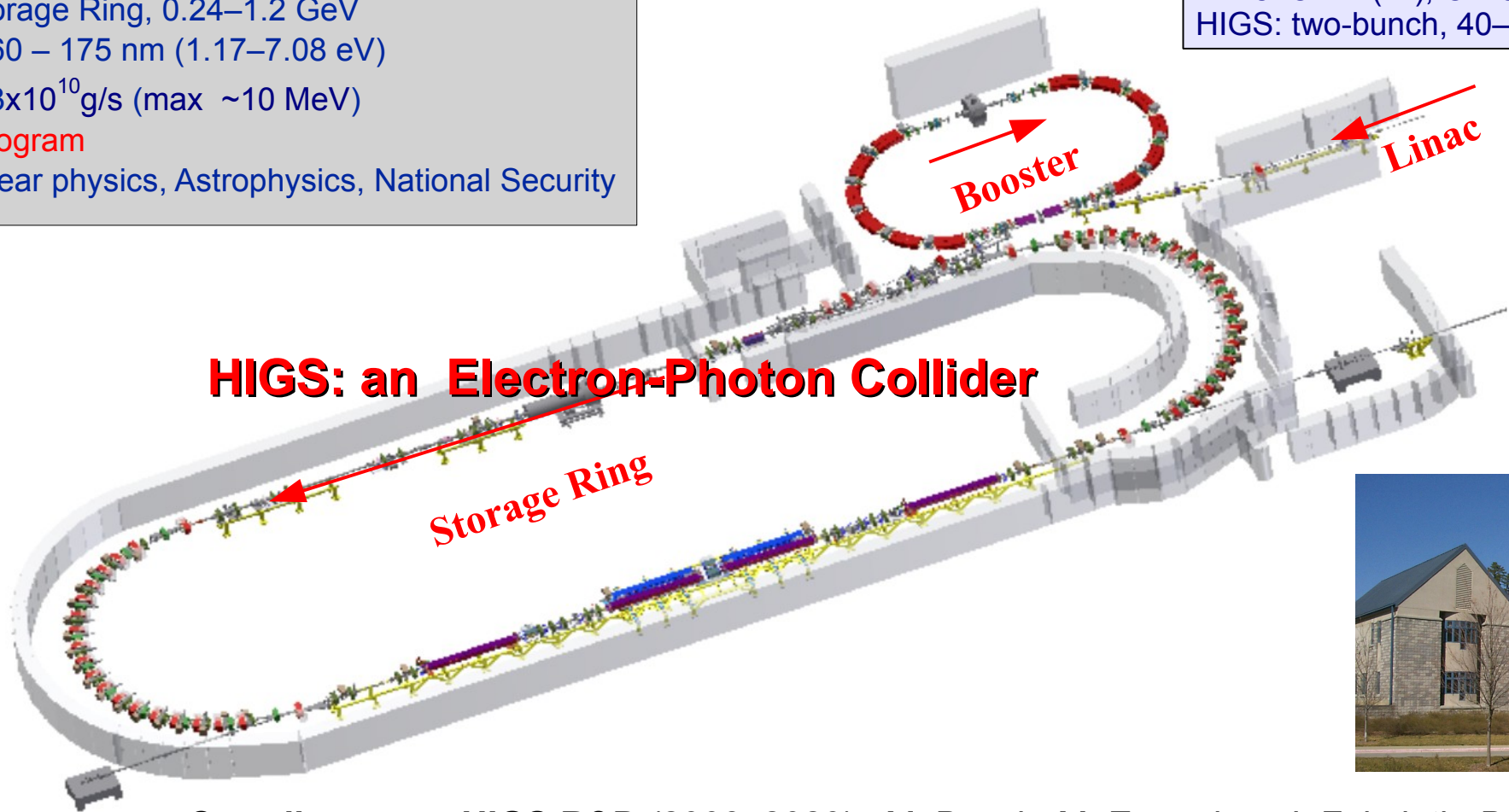
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HIGS/TUNL: Accelerator Facility

Accelerator Facility
160 MeV Linac pre-injector
160 MeV–1.2 GeV Booster injector
240 MeV–1.2 GeV Storage ring
FELs: OK-4 (lin), OK-5 (cir)
HIGS: two-bunch, 40–120 mA (typ)

Facility/Project: High Intensity Gamma-ray Source (HIGS)
Institution: TUNL
Country: US
Energy (MeV): 1–120
Accelerator: Storage Ring, 0.24–1.2 GeV
Laser: FEL, 1060 – 175 nm (1.17–7.08 eV)
Total flux: 10^7 – 3×10^{10} g/s (max ~ 10 MeV)
Status: **User Program**
Research: Nuclear physics, Astrophysics, National Security

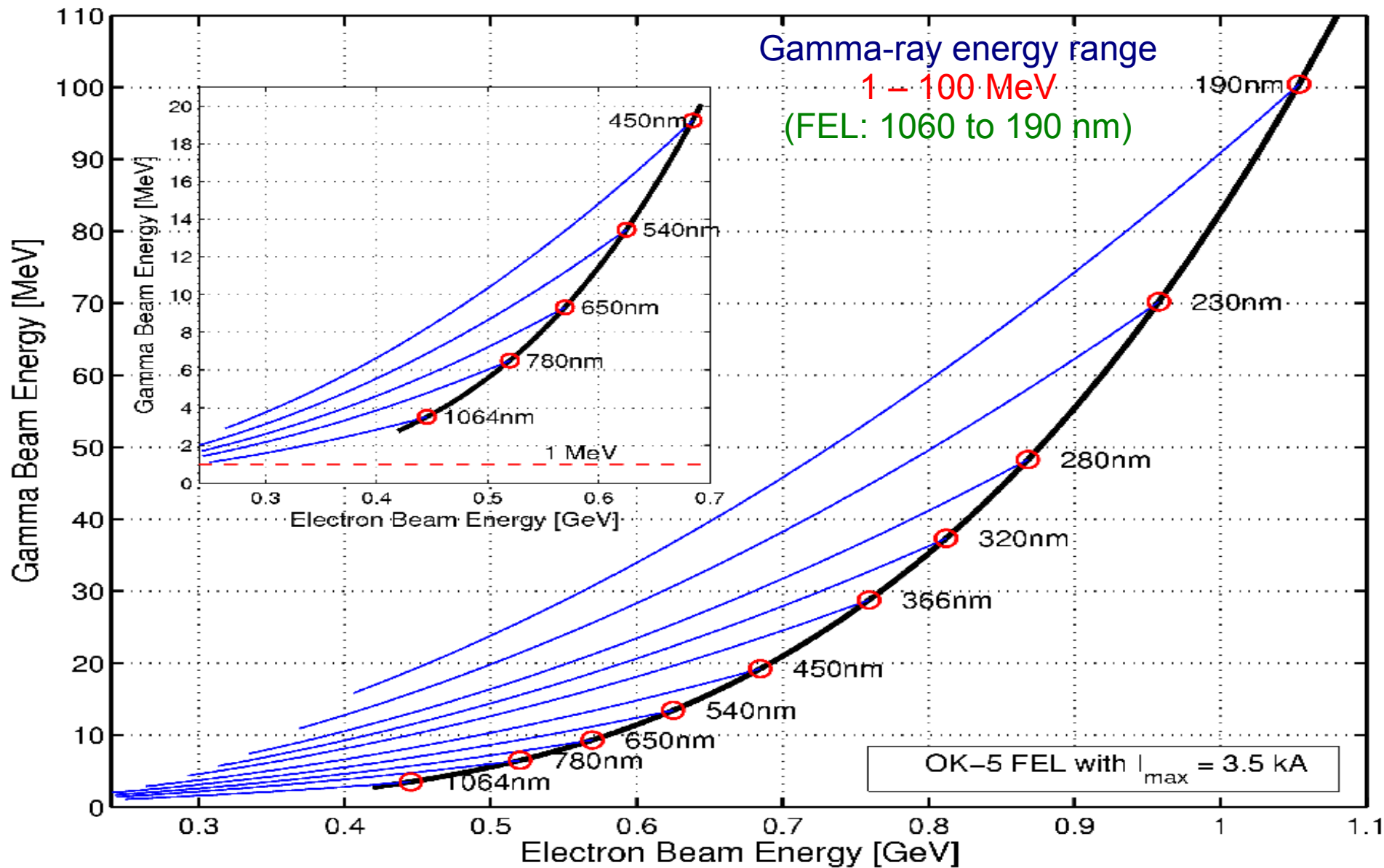


HIGS: an Electron-Photon Collider



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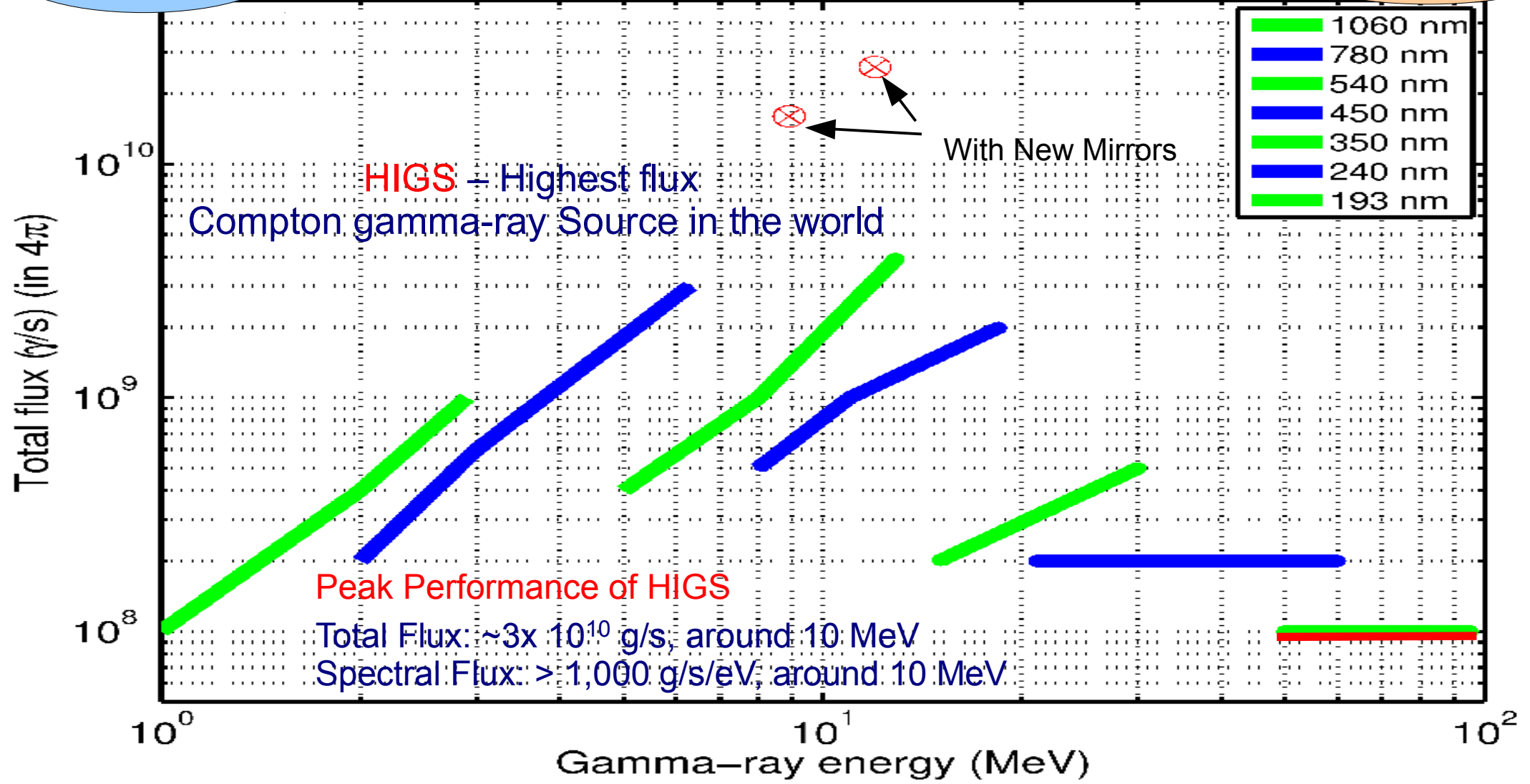
Gamma Energy Tuning Range with OK-5 FEL (3.5 kA)

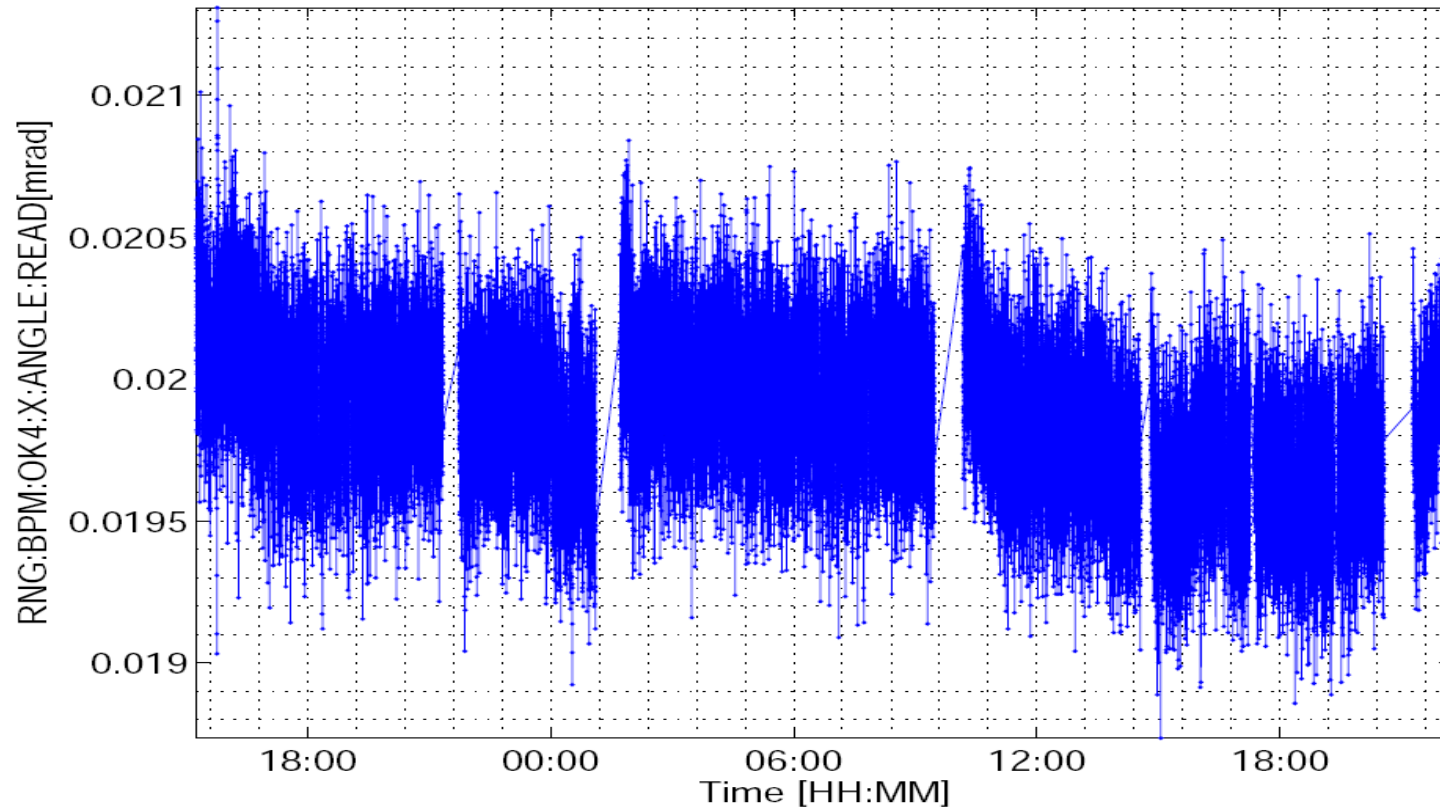


Development:
Higher Intensity

HIGS User Flux Capabilities with OK-5 FEL

Development:
Higher Energy

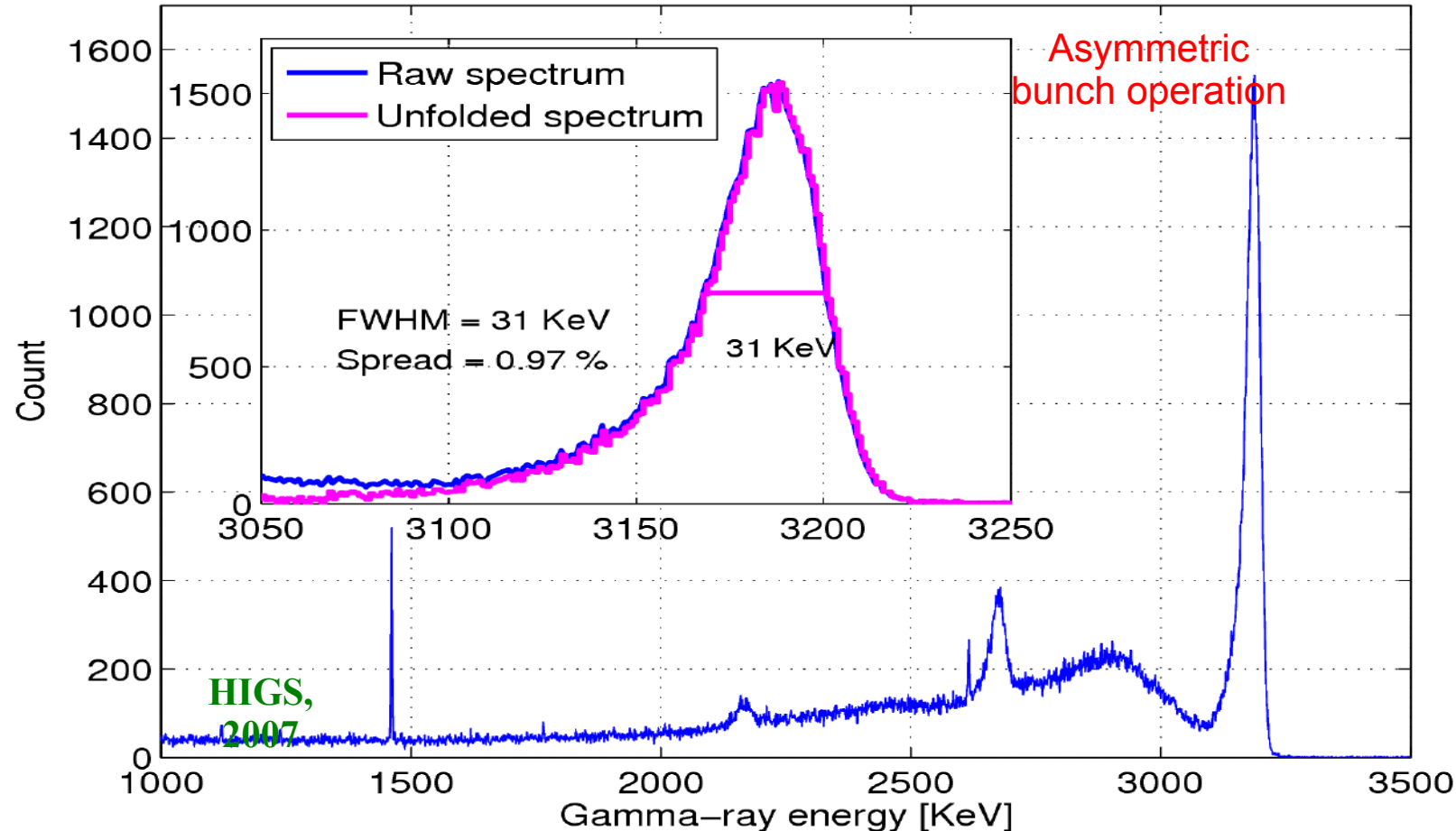




Aiming at a golf ball at the end of 150 football fields

Figure 15: Horizontal beam angle at OK4 for about 36 hours operation from Aug. 20 to Aug. 21, 2009. The angle varied $2.5\mu\text{rad}$ (peak to peak) during this operation, this value corresponds to $150\mu\text{m}$ variation of gamma ray beam position at the gamma vault which is located 60 m downstream of the collision point. Typically, the collimator radius of the γ ray beam is 6 mm to 15 mm, therefore the misalignment caused by the beam orbit is about 2.5% to 1.0% of radius of the beam.

356 MeV e-beam, Asymmetric bunch pattern #0 = 5 mA and #32 = 57 mA
738 nm OK4 lasing, 0.5" collimator, Run #55, 11-01-2007



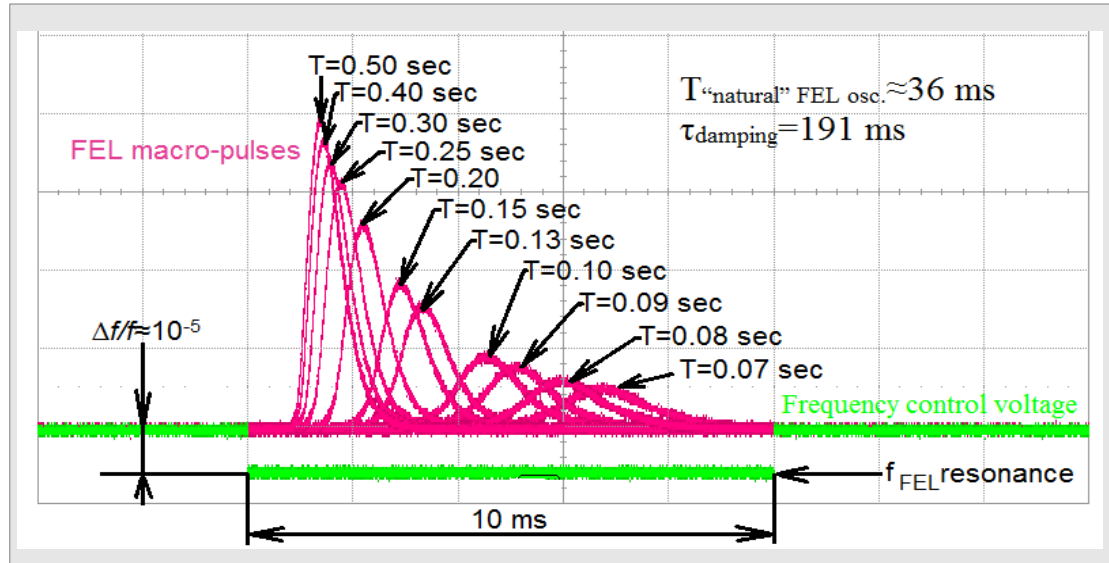
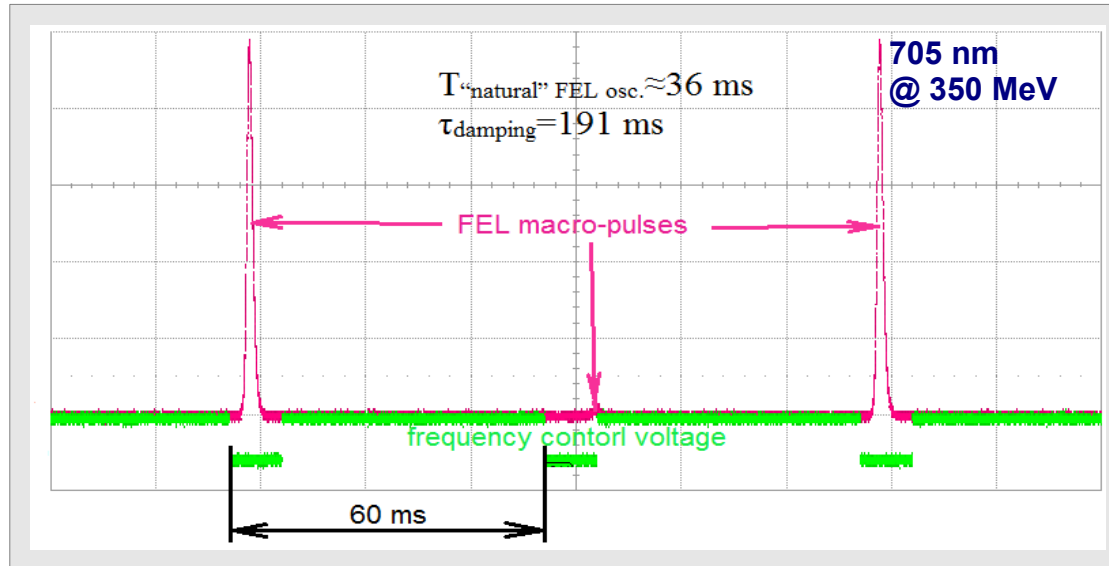
FWHM: 0.97%



RMS: 0.41%

Gamma beam energy resolution in high-flux operation:

Typically 3 – 5% (FWHM), or larger, selected by collimation

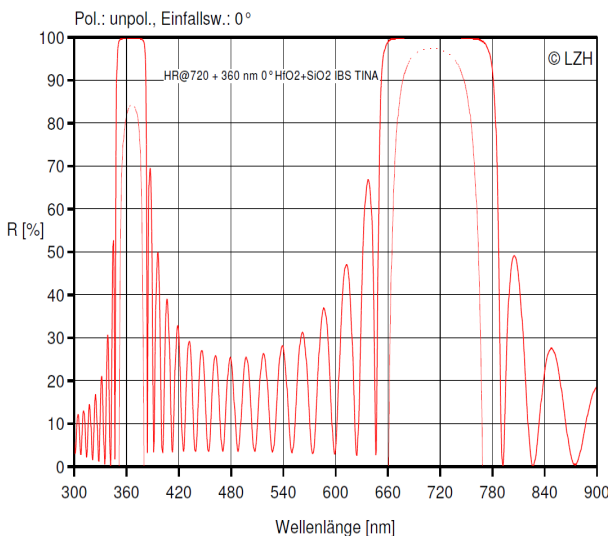


Gain Modulation with RF—FEL Macropulse Operation

- Rapidly and periodically change f_{RF}
 - $Df_{\text{RF}}/f_{\text{RF}} \sim 10^{-5}$
 - Transition in 10s of microseconds
 - Duration for a few milliseconds
- Rep-rate: few to tens of Hz, depending on operational conditions
- About the same average FEL power
- Good beam stability and lifetime
- Type of user experiments
Detector calibration with low background

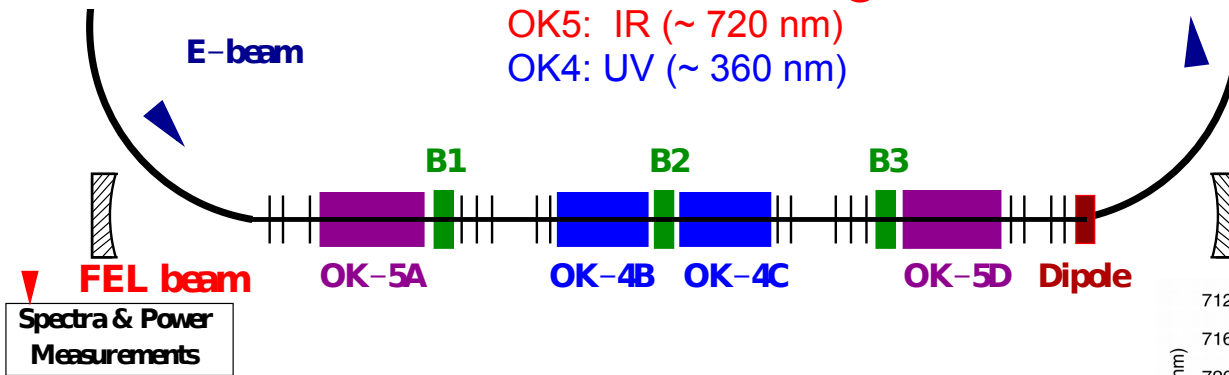
New Capabilities: 2-Color FEL

Dual-band: 720/360nm

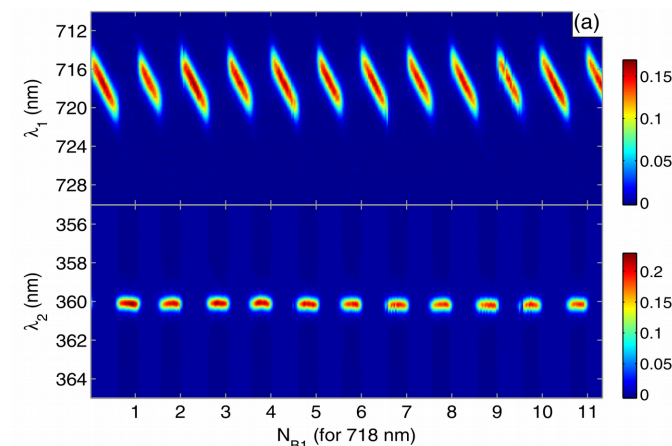


Gain Matching

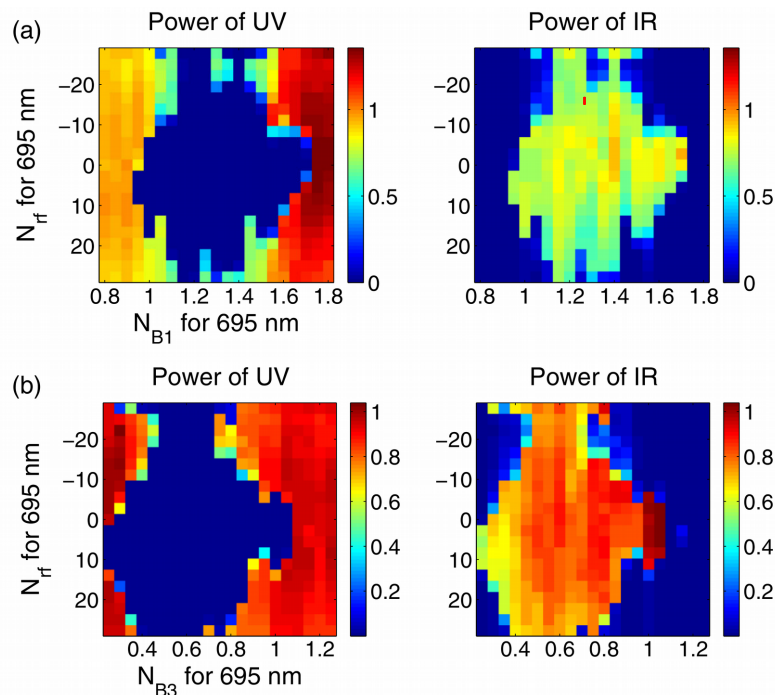
OK5: IR (~ 720 nm)
OK4: UV (~ 360 nm)



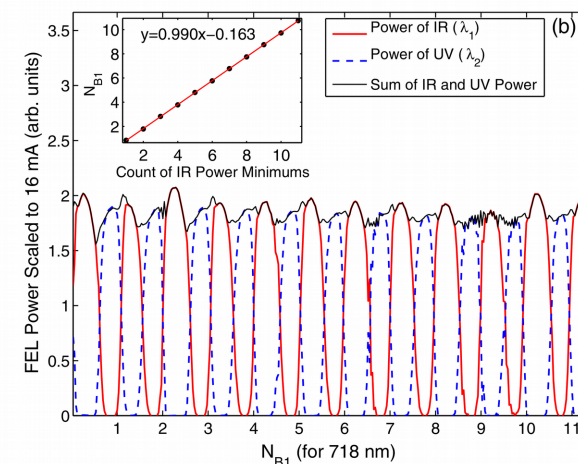
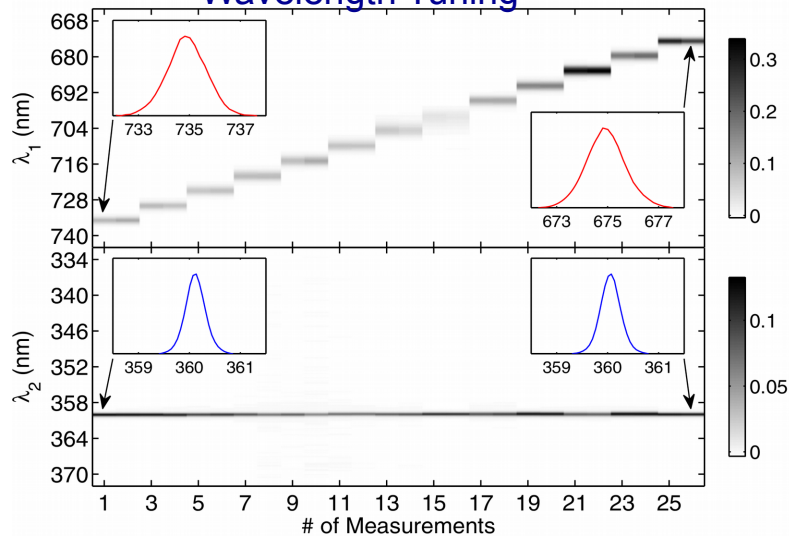
FEL Power Control

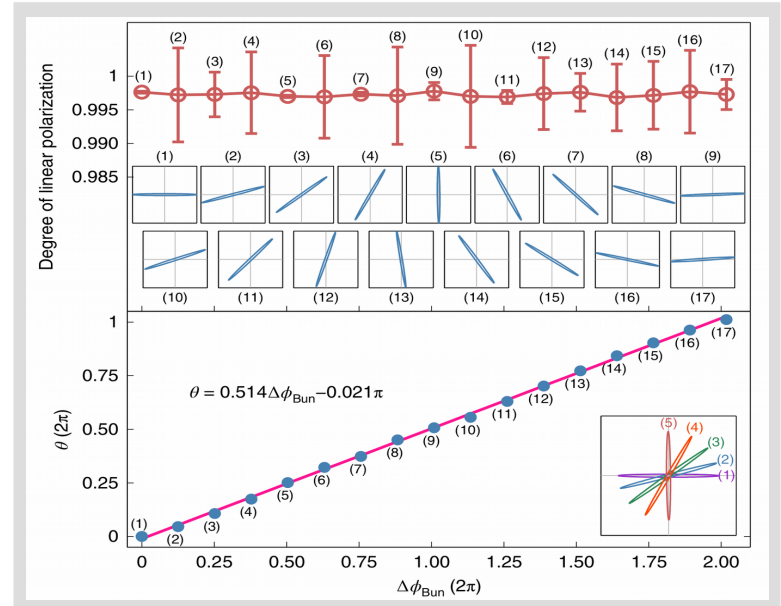
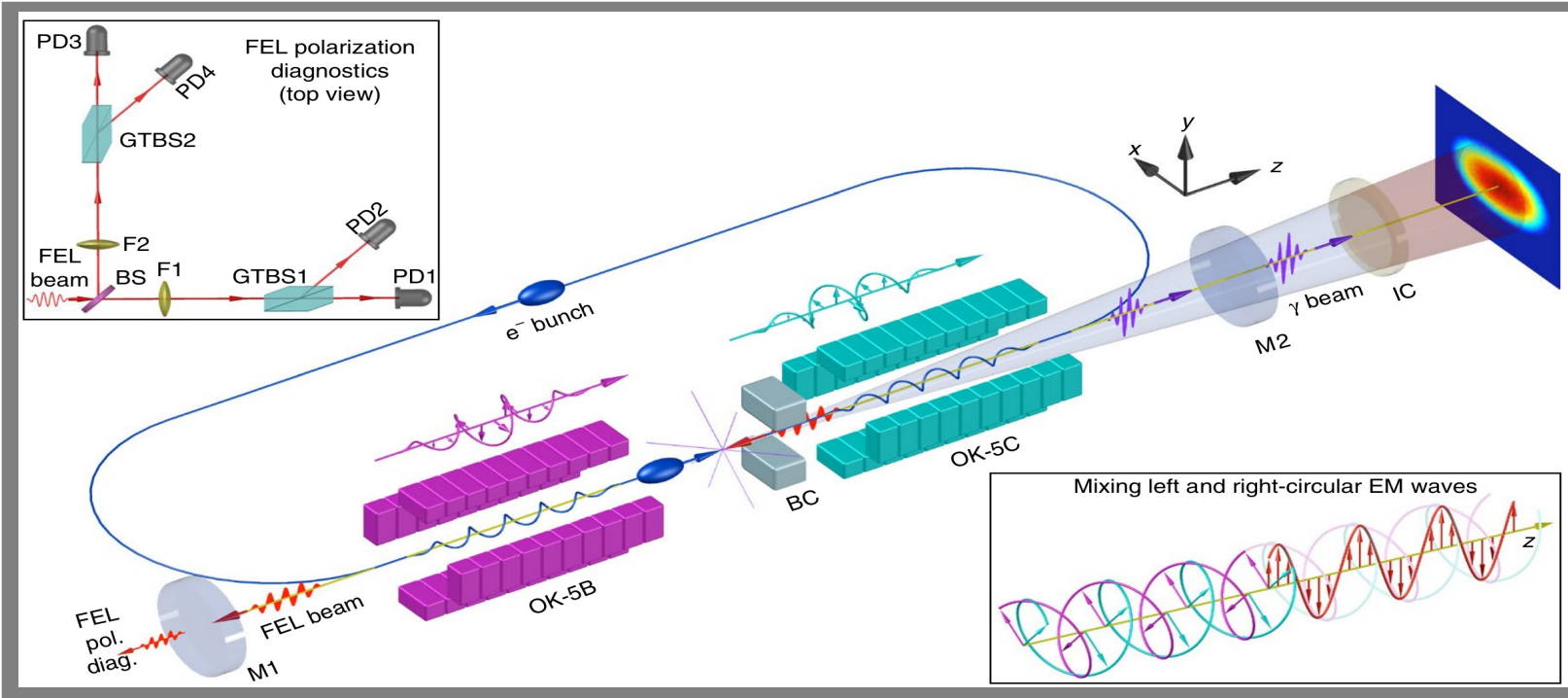


Lasing Phasespace



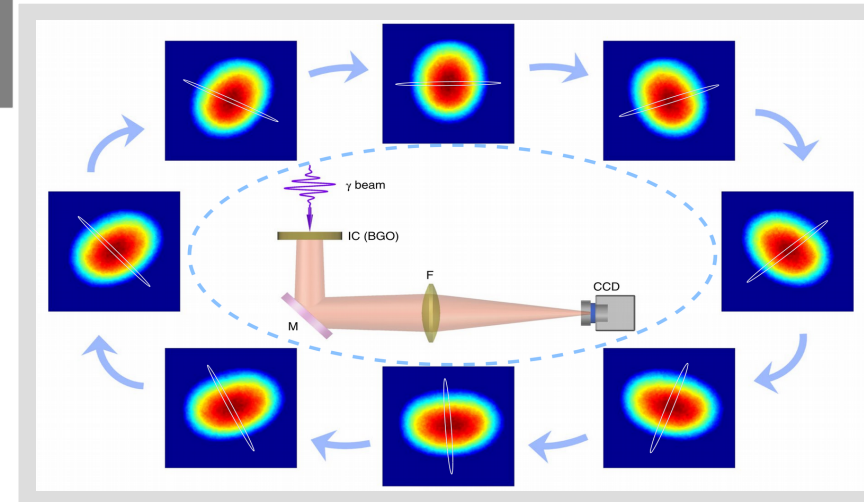
Wavelength Tuning





New Gamma-ray Capability in Polarization Control

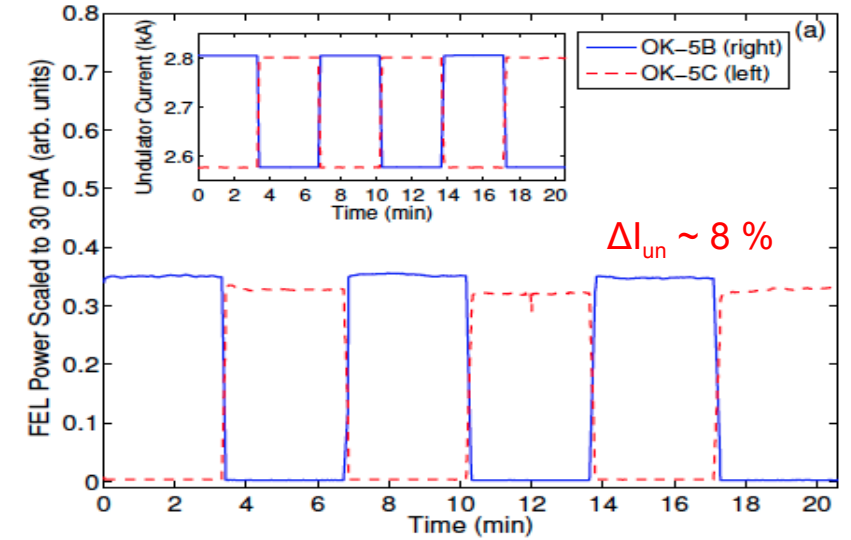
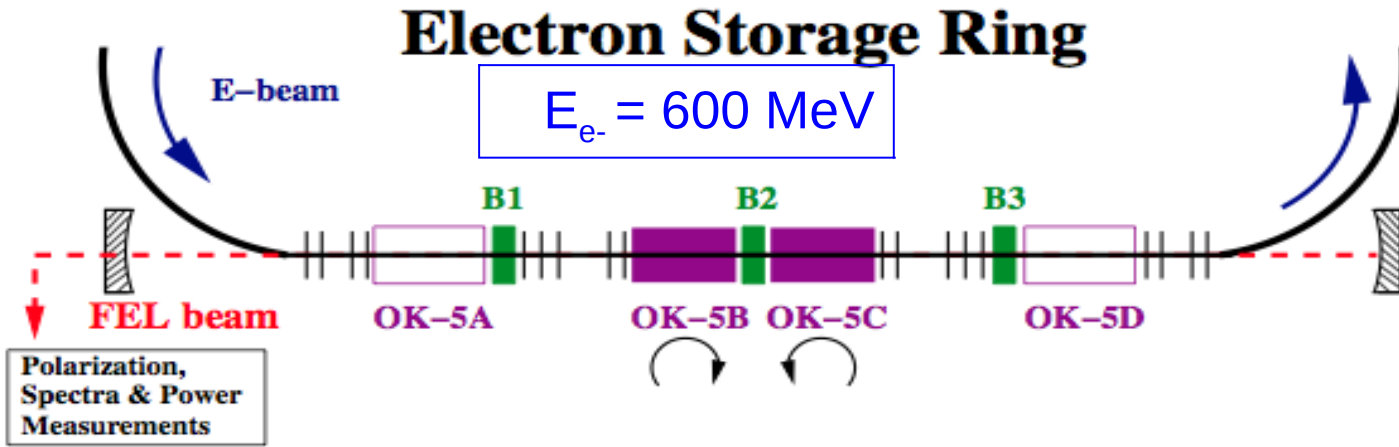
- Precision control of gamma-ray polarization: two crossed helical undulators ==> FEL and gamma-ray beams with linear polarization in any direction
 - Linear polarization, $P_{\text{Lin}} > 0.97$ for gamma-ray ($P_{\text{Lin}} > 0.99$ for FEL)
 - Available: 3 – 30 MeV
- Impact on nuclear physics research:
 - Experiment can rapidly access gamma-ray beams with variable polarization: left- and right-circular, linear with changeable direction
 - Allow for the exploration of polarization-dependent nuclear observables
 - Significantly reduce systematic errors in measurements.



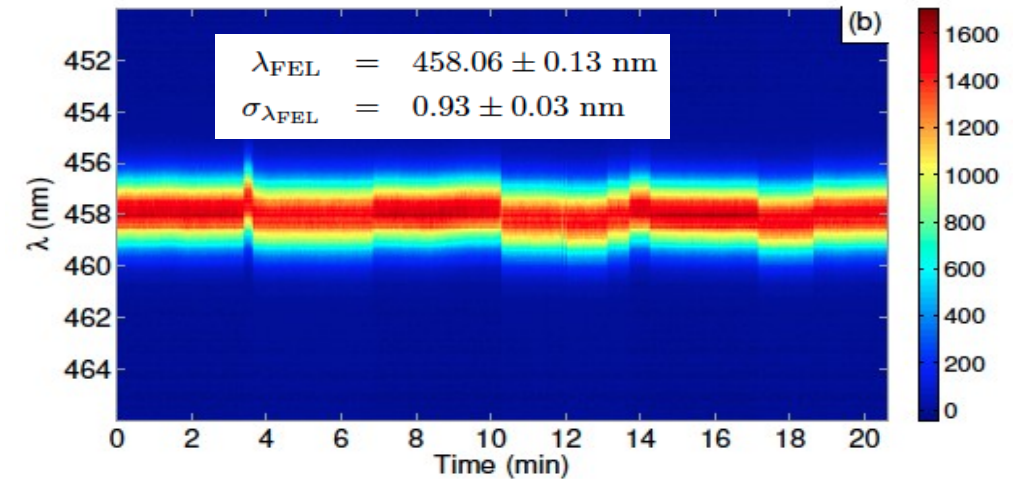
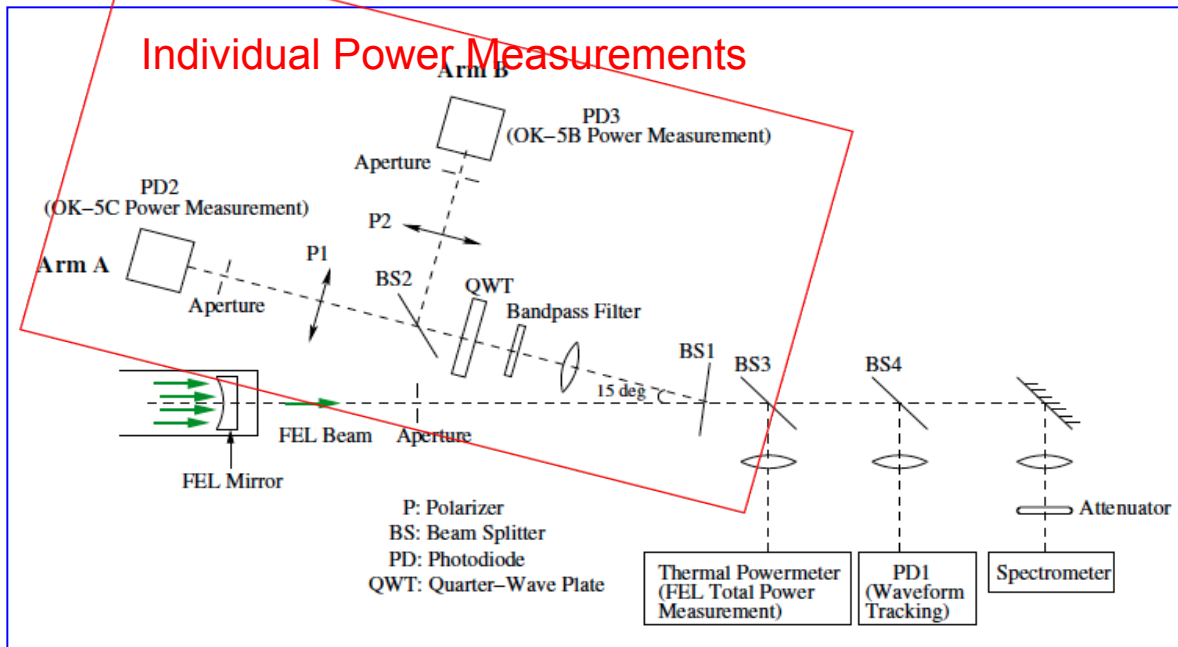
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Precision control of gamma-ray polarization using a crossed helical undulator free-electron laser

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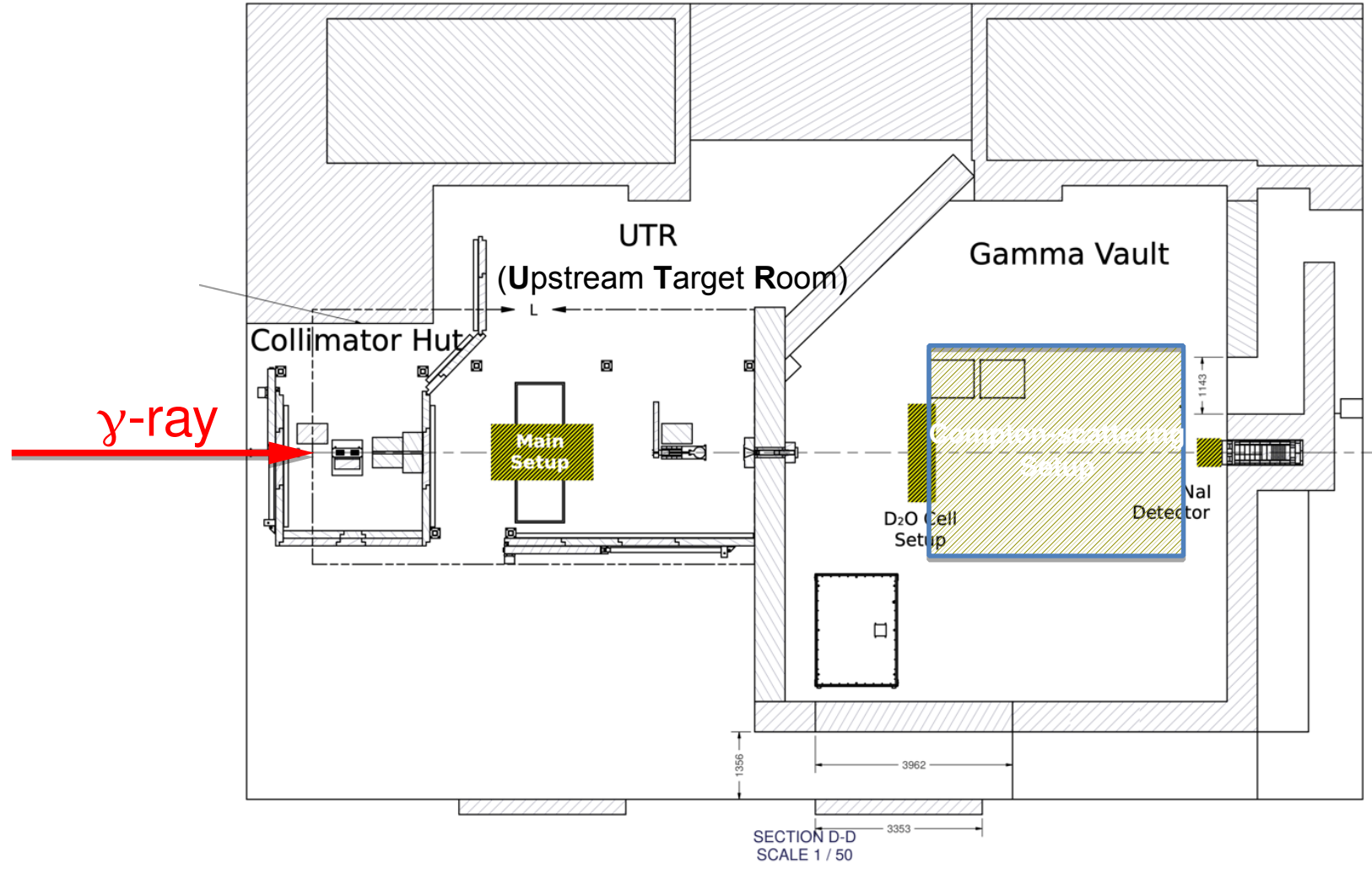
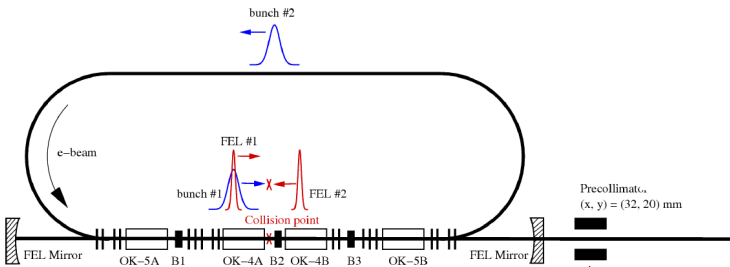


FEL Power (rms): OK-5B, 0.8%; OK-5C, 0.9%

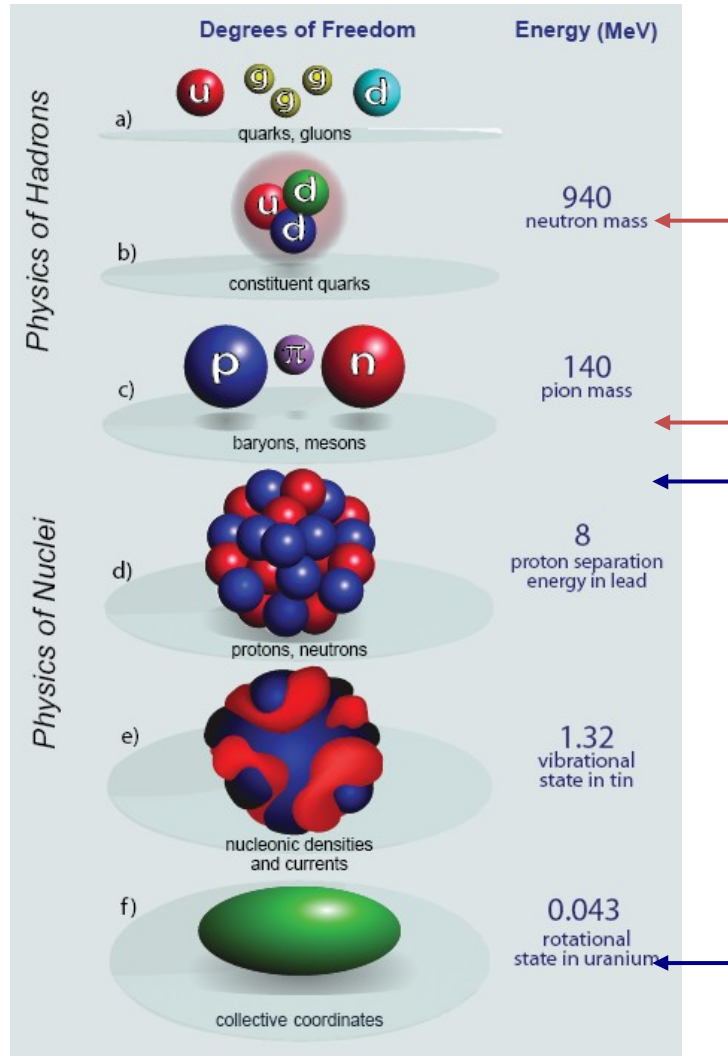


From Jun Yan's dissertation (2016)

Target Room Layout at HIγS



H_γS operates about 1600 hours/year for nuclear physics research



Low-Energy QCD:

Nucleons

Compton Scattering: nucleon electric and magnetic polarizabilities
nucleon spin polarizabilities

Few-nucleon Systems

Photodisintegration of ²H, ³He and ³H (cross sections, target-beam helicity dependent cross sections, polarization transfer)

Nuclear Structure and Nuclear Astrophysics

Many-body strongly interacting systems

NRF, (γ, γ')

(γ, n), (γ, p), (γ, α) and (γ, fission) reactions

Applied Research:

- Nuclear Security
- Medical Isotope R&D
- Particle Detector R&D

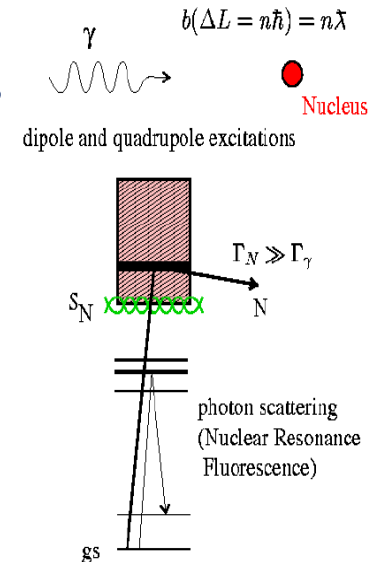


Figure from 2007 USA Nuclear Science LRP

Future Compton Gamma-ray Sources

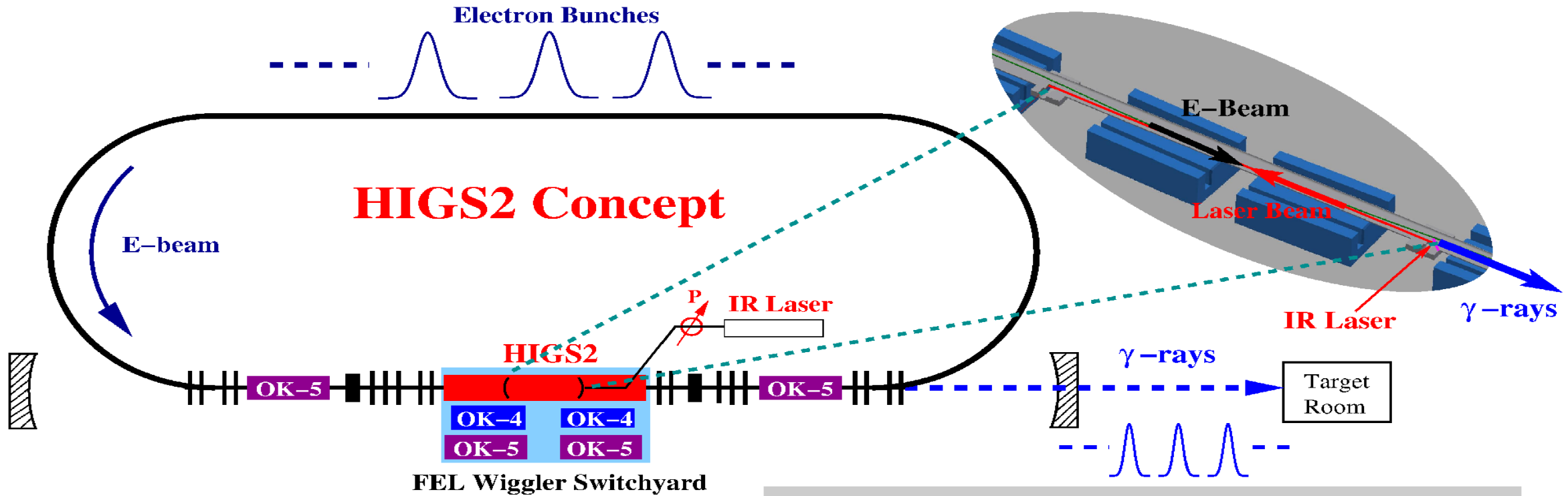
Unconventional Approaches

- Laser-plasma Accelerator Based Compton Sources

- Gamma Factory at Large Hadron Collider (LHC), CERN

Atomic-beam-driven light source using resonant photon absorption to reach several orders of magnitude higher flux than conventional Compton gamma-ray sources

HIGS2: Next-Generation Gamma-ray Source



Research Programs

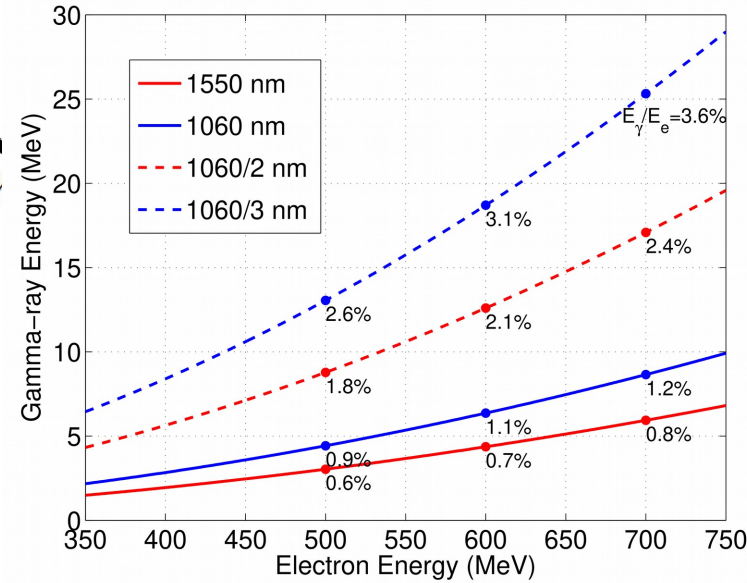
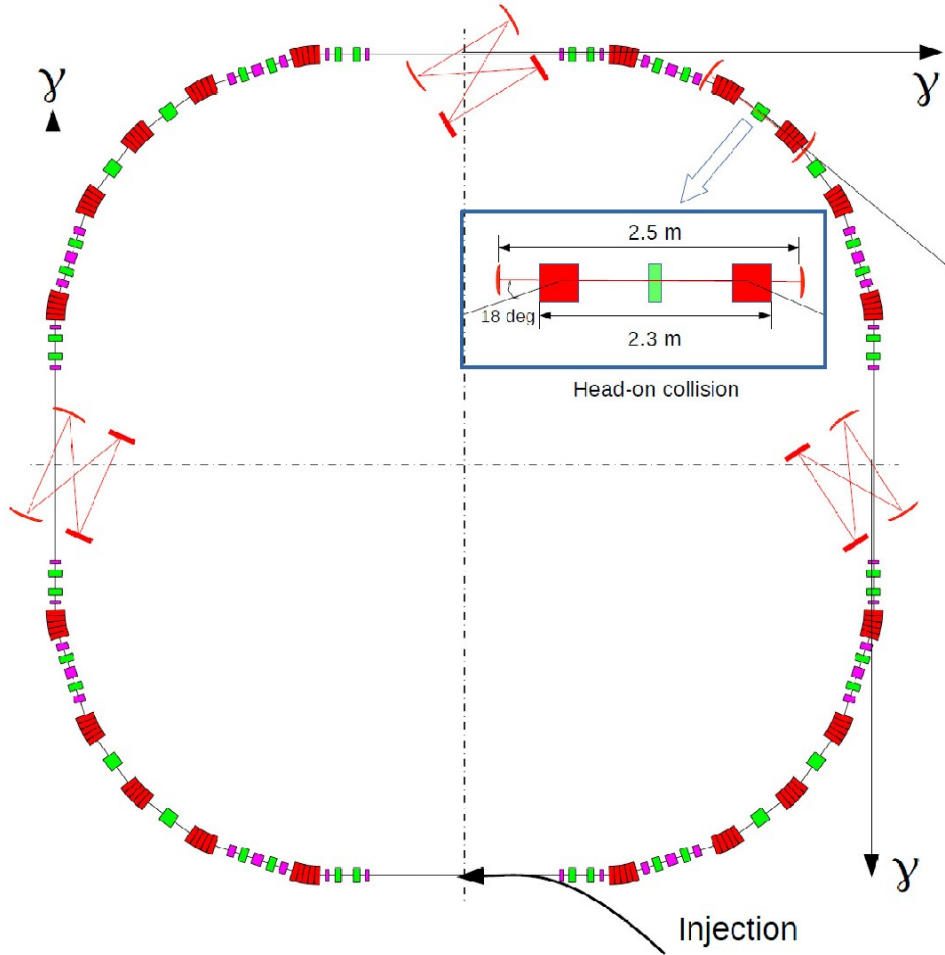
- Nuclear Structure
- Nuclear Astrophysics
- Hadronic Parity Violation

Status: **Seeking funding**

Projected Performance

- 2–3 orders of higher flux than HIGS (2–8 MeV)
- 1064 nm FP cavity: 2 – 12 MeV
- Total Flux: $10^{10} - 2 \times 10^{12}$ g/s
- Pol: Linear, or Circular (rapid switch)
- High-res capability: 0.6% (FWHM)

Low-Energy CGS: Storage Ring



E-beam (MeV)	E_γ (MeV)	λ_1 (nm)	$\lambda_1/3$	λ_2 (nm)	$\lambda_2/3$
350	$E_{\gamma,\min}$	2.2	6.4	1.5	4.4
750	$E_{\gamma,\max}$	9.9	29	6.8	20

Electron beam

Beam energy	500 MeV
Stored currents	1000 mA
Bunch filled	24
Hori./Vert. emittance	7.5/0.75 nm-rad
Hori./Vert. size (rms)	212/39 μm
Bunch length (rms)	150 ps

Laser beam

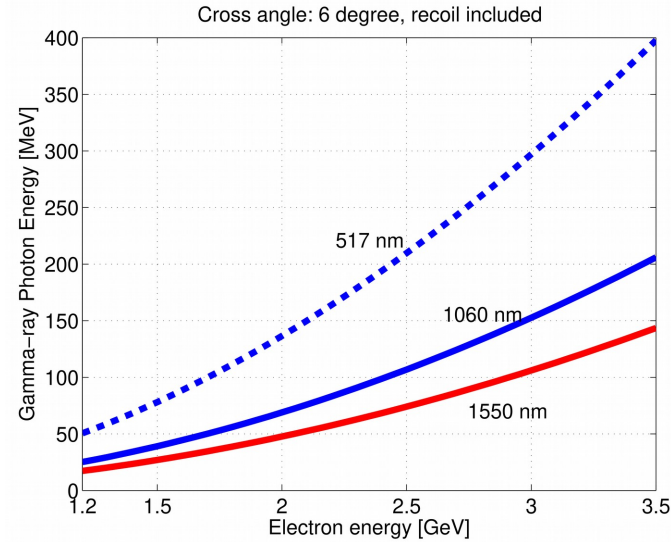
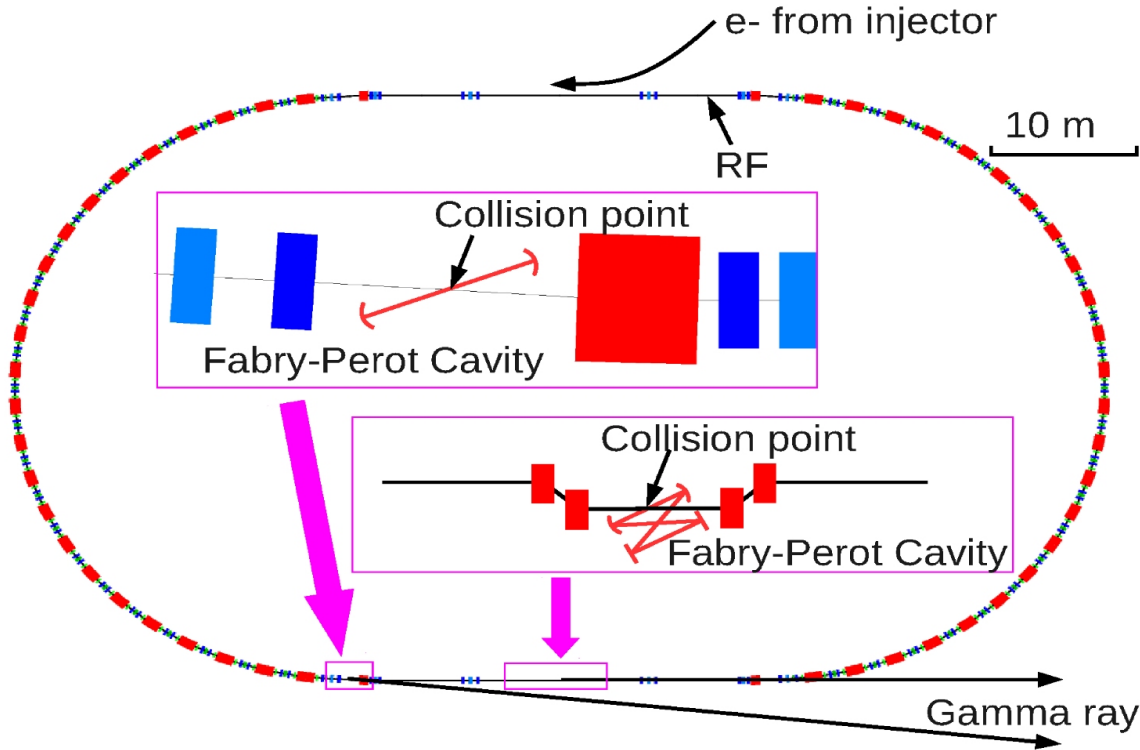
Wavelength	1064 nm
Intracavity power	100 kW
Pulse length (rms)	20 ps
Hori./Vert. size (rms)	40/40 μm

Gamma-ray beam

Max. energy	4.43 MeV
Collision rate	121.66 MHz
Collision angle	6°
Luminosity	$3.3 \times 10^{36} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
Total flux (in 4π solid angle)	$2.2 \times 10^{12} \gamma/\text{s}$

E-beam:	FP cavity: 100 kW	
$E = 500 \text{ MeV}, I = 1 \text{ A}$	Beam size: 40/40 μm	
Laser wavelength (nm)	$\lambda_1 = 1064$	$\lambda_2 = 1550$
Tot. flux (γ/s): $\theta=6^\circ$	2.2×10^{12}	2.8×10^{12}
Tot. flux (γ/s): head-on	2.4×10^{13}	3.1×10^{13}

High-Energy CGS: Storage Ring



E-beam (GeV)	E_γ (MeV)	λ_1 (nm)	λ_2 (nm)	$\lambda_2/3$
1.2	$E_{\gamma,\min}$	25	17	51
3.5	$E_{\gamma,\max}$	205	144	398

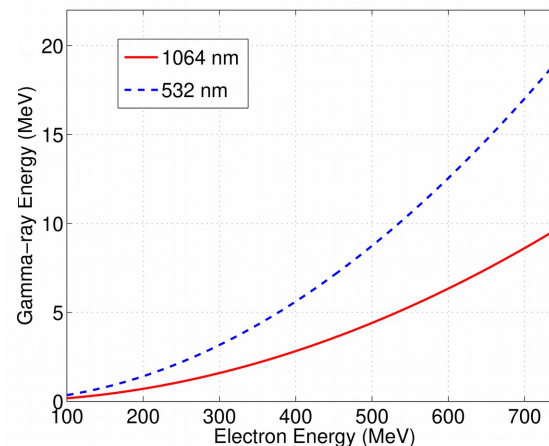
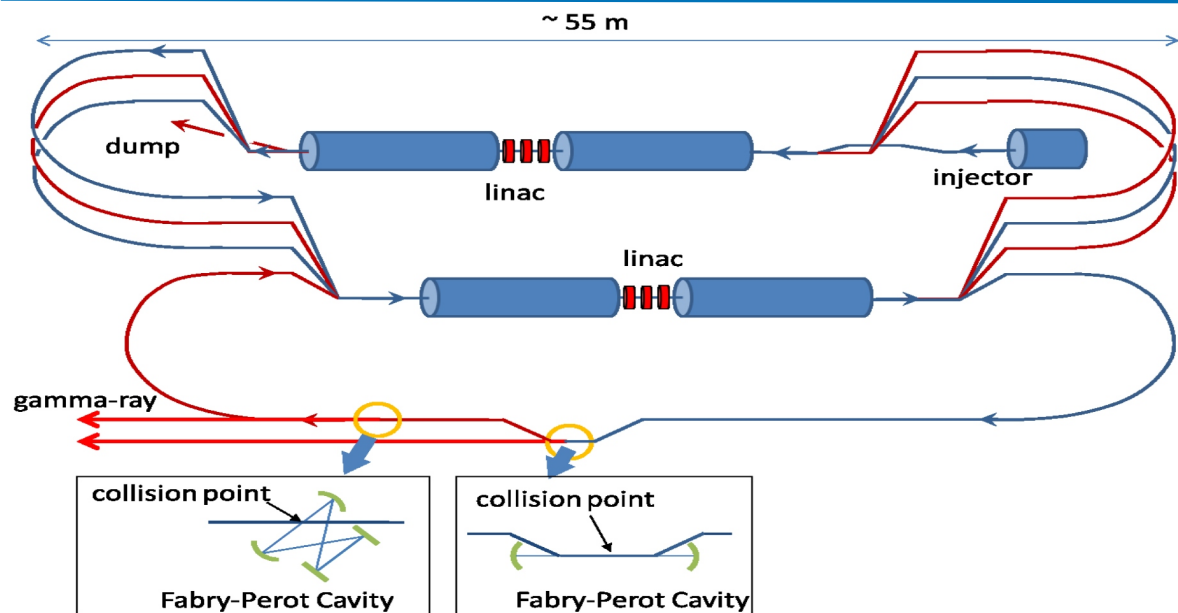
Electron beam	
Beam energy	3.27 GeV
Stored currents	500 mA
Bunch filled	64
Hori./Vert. emittance	1.94/0.16 nm-rad
Hori./Vert. size (rms)	100/26 μm
Bunch length (rms)	60 ps

Laser beam	
Wavelength	517 nm
Intracavity power	20 kW
Pulse length (rms)	20 ps
Hori./Vert. size (rms)	40/40 μm

Gamma-ray beam	
Max. energy	350 MeV
Collision rate	95.42 MHz
Collision angle	6°
Luminosity	$5.7 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
Total flux (in 4 π solid angle)	$3.4 \times 10^{11} \gamma/\text{s}$

E-beam: $E = 3.27 \text{ GeV}, I = 0.5 \text{ A}$	Laser beam: $\lambda = 517 \text{ nm}$ Beam size: 40/40 μm
FP cavity power (kW)	20 (kW) 100 (kW)
Tot. flux (γ/s): $\theta=6^\circ$	3.4×10^{11} 1.7×10^{12}

Low-Energy CGS: Energy-Recovery Linac



E-beam (MeV)	E_γ (MeV)	λ_1 (nm)	$\lambda_1/2$
100	$E_{\gamma,\min}$	1064	532
750	$E_{\gamma,\max}$	9.9	19.5

Electron beam	
Beam energy	500 MeV
Average current	20 mA
Hori./Vert. emittance (norm.)	1mm-mrad
Hori./Vert. size (rms)	15 μm
Bunch length (rms)	3 ps
Laser beam	
Wavelength	1064 nm
Intracavity power	70 kW
Pulse length (rms)	10 ps
Hori./Vert. size (rms)	15/15 μm
Gamma-ray beam	
Max. energy	4.41 MeV
Collision rate	81.25 MHz
Collision angle	6°
Luminosity	$2.6 \times 10^{36} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
Total flux (in 4 π solid angle)	$1.7 \times 10^{12} \gamma/\text{s}$

E-beam current (mA)	20	20	40
FP cavity power (kW)	70	70	70
Laser beam size (μm)	30/30	15/15	15/15
Tot. flux (γ/s): $\theta=6^\circ$	1.1×10^{12}	1.7×10^{12}	3.4×10^{12}
Tot. flux (γ/s): head-on	5.4×10^{12}	1.3×10^{13}	2.7×10^{13}

Whitepaper: "International Workshop on Next Generation Gamma-Ray Source,"
C.R. Howell *et al.*, arXiv:2012.10843 (2020)

Thank you for your attention!