

#### Developing an African Inverse Compton Scattering (ICS) source of advanced X-rays as an incubator on the path towards the African Light Source

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How to use collisional radiation to mimic undulatory radiation, using cheaper, more compact and easier machines, i.e. Inverse Compton Scattering vs. Synchrotron Light Sources / FELs

synthetic diamonds vs. natural diamonds ??

- Brief recap of ICS physics (linear model) to explain technological challenges, performances and limitations of ICS based Compact Light Sources
- 3 ICS paradigma: Linac-based (moderately easy), Storage ring (difficult) and Energy Recovery Linac (most challenging)
- The story of STAR: an ICS based user facility in South Italy (Calabria) its challenges, evolution and political-financial European scenario.
- Inspiration from STAR towards help igniting the AfLS with a first step/ first brick: a national scale ICS-based research infrastructure ⇒ user facility



## From wave-like, undulatory radiation towards collisional radiation

## Spontaneous undulatory radiation (synchrotron, undulator, wiggler, betatron, channeling)





### **Collisional radiation**

### (Relativistic Rayleigh Scattering aka Gamma Factory, Inverse Compton Scattering, Large Recoil ICS, Symmetric Compton Scattering)









Compton back-scattering (later renamed ICS) was experimentally observed firstly at Frascati National Lab. of INFN

Hadronic Physics was the original motivation for Compton backscattering experiments (cfr. Ladon at INFN-LNF, Graal at ESRF): single photon per bunch collision at energies > 50 MeV



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Also synchrotron radiation is affected by the  $\gamma^2 \theta^2$  red shift

## Radiation is emitted into a narrow cone



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Poli-chromaticity implies using mono-chromators of different kinds (bragg-reflectors, collimators) to select a narrow bandwidth line from a broad-band spectrum

Fig. 184.





 $\gamma = 50-2000 \Rightarrow \theta = 0.1-10 \text{ mrad}$ 

 $\gamma$ =4000-10000  $\Rightarrow \theta < 50 \mu rad$ 

## ELI-NP-GBS $\gamma$ -beam collimator (2-19 MeV)



Drawing of the configuration of low energy collimator made up of 12 tungsten adjustable slits with a relative 30° rotation each











#### ICS sources are better described as colliders. They are actually mini-colliders of electron-photon beams to generate secondary beams of photons.

unlike undulatory radiation sources, where the collision is with virtual photons, ICS involves collision with real photons that carry energy and momentum  $S_T = 0.67 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2 = 0.67$  barn

- Scattered flux  $N_g = \mathbf{L}S_T$   $S_T = \frac{8\rho}{3}r_e^2$
- Luminosity as in HEP collisions
  - Many photons, electrons

- Focus tightly

$$\mathbf{L} = \frac{N_L N_{e^-}}{4\rho S_x^2} f$$

- ELI-NP-GBS 
$$L_s = \frac{L}{\Delta v_{\gamma}}$$
  
$$L = \frac{1.3 \times 10^{18} \times 1.6 \times 10^9}{4\rho (0.0015 cm)^2} 3200 (s^{-1}) = 2.5 \times 10^{35} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$$

cfr. LHC  $10^{34}$ , Hi-Lumi LHC  $10^{35}$ 





#### **Matching Laser Pulse Length and Focus Size**



Laser pulse must be short compared to Rayleigh length so that whole pulse is focused simultaneously.

Laser may be shorter than Rayleigh length, but less than 0.5 ps is not practical, and could lead to non-linear effects that broaden the spectral line

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## Electron Bunch Length Matched to Rayleigh Length





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## **Rivaling with Synchr. Light Sources for energies above 50 keV**



### **Brilliance of Lasers and X-ray sources**







## 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Generation Light Sources

- Synchrotron light sources: < 50 keV, > 50 ps (100 m, 300 M\$)
- X-ray FEL (LCLS): energy ≤25 (50?) keV, 1-100 fs (1 km, 1 G\$)





 Inverse Compton Scattering sources (ICS) 20-400 keV, sub-ps, (10 m, 10 M\$)



Presently there are 3 main Paradigms for high performance ICS:

A) RF Photo-injector producing a high charge 1-2 nC electron bunch against a J-class laser pulse delivered by an amplified *Yb:Yag* laser system, tightly focused down to 10-20 μm, running collisions at 100 Hz. Best example of this model is STAR [9] (Southern europe Thomson source for Applied Research), in construction as a dedicated user facility at the University of Calabria (Italy) by a collaboration INFN-ST-CNISM-UniCal. Maximum achievable fluxes in excess of 3 10<sup>11</sup> with maximum photon energy 200 keV.



Fig.2 – STAR machine as an example of Paradigm A. Overall length about 12 m.



### ROUND TABLE TOMORROW

B) Compact Storage Ring for the electron beam, colliding at a high repetititon rate (up to 25 MHz, *i.e.* an average beam current of 15 mA) a moderately high charge electron bunch with a mJ-class laser pulse stored in an optical Fabry-Perot Cavity [17], focused to 70 μm spot size at collision. Best example of this category is ThomX in construction at Orsav-LAL by



**Fig.3** – ThomX as an example of Paradigm B. Size is about  $10x10 \text{ m}^2$ .



#### **ROUND TABLE TOMORROW**

Super-Conducting RF Photo-Injector delivering a low charge (tens of pC) electron bunch at a very high rep. rate (up to 100 MHz), colliding with a mJ-class laser pulse stored in an optical Fabry-Perot Cavity (up to 1 MW stored laser power), focused to 20-30 µm spot size at collision. Maximum achievable fluxes about 3.5<sup>10<sup>12</sup></sup> without energy recovery (average electron beam current 1 mA) while in excess of an impressive 10<sup>15</sup> with energy recovery at an average electron current of 100 mA. Maximum photon energy 200 keV. BriXS would belong to this type of ICS, together with UH-FLUX, a similar project [11] in development in UK (with energy recovery) and CUBIX, an ongoing project [12] at MIT (without energy recovery).



See Sanae Samsam's talk in next session on ERL



# photons within normalized  $\mathcal{N}^{\Psi} = 6.25 \cdot 10^8 \frac{U_L(J) Q(pC) r}{E_L(eV) (\sigma_x^2(\mu m) + \sigma_L^2(\mu m))}$ . acceptance angle  $\Psi = \gamma \cdot \theta_{acc}$  $\frac{\left(1 + \sqrt[3]{X}\Psi^2/3\right) \Psi^2}{\left(1 + (1 + X/2)\Psi^2\right) (1 + \Psi^2)},$ 

Spectral Density *S* relevant to X-ray imaging and nuclear photonics

$$S = \frac{\mathcal{N}^{\Psi}}{\sqrt{2\pi} 4 E_L \gamma_{CM}^2 \frac{\Delta E_{ph}}{E_{ph}}}.$$

Serafini-Petrillo criterion

$$S \propto \frac{\langle I_e \rangle U_{las}}{\varepsilon_n^2 E_x}$$

Average Brilliance relevant to microscopy/ spectroscopy

$$B_{AV} \propto \frac{S}{\varepsilon_X^2} E_X \qquad \varepsilon_X$$

 $\propto \sigma_x \theta_{acc}$ 

#### **ROUND TABLE TOMORROW**



STAR was designed adopting a common paradigm with ELI-NP-GBS: both are  $e-\gamma$  linear collider based on 100 Hz amplified J-class lasers interacting with high brightness RF photo-injector. The design strategy applies Petrillo-Serafini criterion for maximum spectral density.

strong focusing of high brightness (peak & average) to maximize Luminosity According to Petrillo-Serafini criterion



true for all collisional radiation

Spectral Density *S (# photons per sec per eV bdw)* relevant to X-ray imaging (Brilliance is relevant to microscopy/spectroscopy)



Fig.2 – STAR machine as an example of Paradigm A. Overall length about 12 m.

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Fig. 197. Isometric 3D view of Building Layout of the Accelerator Hall & Experimental Areas



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with  $T = 100 MeV (g = 197) E_{laser} = 1.2 \ eV \bowtie E_{X/g} = 186 \ keV$ 

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• STAR (Southern europe Thomson source for Applied Research) is a Compton Source of mono-chromatic X-rays tunable in the range 20-350 keV, devoted to advanced non-invasive diagnostics of cultural heritage/archeological samples.



about 30 M€ allocated to Univ. of Calabria to build a research infrastrucutre based on ICS, from EU Govt. in the frame of funding programs to Convergence Regions



#### STAR : Southern europe Thomson source for Applied Research



## **STAR X-ray beamlines** foreseen applications





#### PEACE SYMBOLS IN CALABRIA BEFORE GREEK COLONIZATION (A preliminary study @ STAR µTomo)







- Bronze anthropomorphic couples as pendants.
- Burial goods in calabrian area (VIII sec B.C.)
- Two sets: type-A (30 findings);type-B (2 findings)





#### Tomografia in Archeometria.



La microtomografia è sfruttata in modo ottimale in indagini **archeometriche** e **paleontologiche**. Inoltre, la sua applicazione può supportare **restauratori** e conservatori a comprendere le tecniche di costruzione di un'opera d'arte o individuare restauri di scarsa qualità o, ancora, **contraffazioni**.





#### Courtesy R. Agostino

Abbiamo sottoposto a microtomografia una coppietta in bronzo dell'VIII sec. a.C. (\*). Le sezioni mostrano una serie di elementi che permettono di ipotizzare tecniche di realizzazione e stabilire quale sia lo stato di conservazione del reperto. Nella sezione tomografica a destra, un particolare delle teste in cui si individua un foro passante alla base delle stesse e una frattura restaurata attraverso l'utilizzo di resine.



#### STAR-multi-bunch $N_{ph} (s^{-1}) = 5.10^{11} (10\% bdw)$ S @ 30 keV (s<sup>-1</sup>eV<sup>-1</sup>)= 1.5.10<sup>8</sup>























150 MeV High Brightness Electron Linac + Laser12 M€Bunker/building + ancillary equipm.4 M€2 X-ray beam lines for micro-tomography3 M€





### Schematic Budget for a 170 keV X-ray ICS to be built from scratch





100 MeV Linac+Laser (170 keV) - 9 M€
Bunker/building + ancillary equipm. 4 M€
2 X-ray beam lines (fully equipped) 3 M€
TOTAL 16 M€

Injector for AfLS (100 MeV Linac) 5-6 MeV Bunker/building + ancill. equipment used also for AfLS

Cost specific to ICS  $(9-5) + 3 = 7 M \in$ 



## Thank you for your attention





#### Article

#### State of the Art of High-Flux Compton/Thomson X-rays Sources

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we present the generalities of the Compton interaction process; we analyse the different paradigms of Inverse Compton Sources, implemented or in commissioning phase at various facilities, or proposed as future projects. We present an overview of the state of the art, with a discussion of the most demanding challenges.

Keywords: thomson scattering; compton scattering; synchrotron radiation; X-rays; radiation sources



## **Additional Slides**



SP criterion: quality factor 
$$Q_s = \langle I_e \rangle U_L / \varepsilon_n^2$$

**ThomX** Nph (s<sup>-1</sup>) =  $10^{12}$  (10% bdw) S at 30 keV (s<sup>-1</sup>eV<sup>-1</sup>) =  $3*10^{8}$ QS = 3.2 (16 mA \* 20 mJoule / 10 mm·mrad)

MuCLSNph  $(s^{-1}) = 10^{11} (10\% bdw)$ S at 30 keV  $(s^{-1}eV^{-1}) = 3*10^7$ QS = 0.3(10 mA \* 3 mJoule / 10 mm·mrad)

STARNph  $(s^{-1}) = 5*10^{10} (10\% bdw)$ S at 30keV  $(s^{-1}eV^{-1}) = 1.5*10^7$ QS = 0.16 (100 nA \* 1 Joule / 0.8 mm·mrad)STARmbNph  $(s^{-1}) = 5*10^{11} (10\% bdw)$ S at 30 keV  $(s^{-1}eV^{-1}) = 1.5*10^8$ QS = 1.6(1 microA \* 1 Joule / 0.8 mm·mrad)

**CXLS** Nph (s<sup>-1</sup>) = 4\*10<sup>10</sup> (10% bdw) S at 30keV (s<sup>-1</sup>eV<sup>-1</sup>) =  $1.3*10^7$ **QS = 0.13** (25 nanoA \* 200 mJoule / 0.2 mm·mrad)

**BriXSinO** Nph (s<sup>-1</sup>) =  $2*10^{12}$  (10% bdw) S at 30 keV (s<sup>-1</sup>eV<sup>-1</sup>) =  $6*10^{8}$ QS = 6.4 (5 mA \* 2 mJoule / 1.25 mm·mrad)





# *Large Recoil in ICS damps the effect of large bandwidth incident photon beams onto the bandwidth of scattered photons*

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#### Analytical description of photon beam phase spaces in inverse Compton scattering sources

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equivalent to FELs Kim-Pellegrini crit. on 3D inhomogeneous effects on photon bandwidth



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**INFN** The Classical E.M. view (Maxwell eq.): Thomson Sources as synchrotron radiation sources with electro-magnetic undulator

**FEL's and Thomson/Compton Sources common mechanism:** collision between a relativistic electron and a (pseudo)electromagnetic wave



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## I.C.S. : Inverse Compton Scattering



Inverse Compton Scattering: why Inverse?

(direct) Compton Scattering is performed by an energetic photon (X-rays) interacting with an atomic electron (eV)

Inverse Compton Scattering is performed by an energetic electron (MeV-GeV) onto a visible (eV) photon ("inverse" refers to the reaction kinematics, not the dynamics)

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 Hadronic Physics was the original motivation for Compton back-scattering experiments (cfr. Ladon at INFN-LNF, Graal at ESRF, etc): single photon per bunch collision at energies > 50 MeV with tagging (quite popular decades ago)



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The change in wave-length due to scattering.—Imagine, as in Fig. IA,



that an X-ray quantum of frequency  $\nu_0$  is scattered by an electron of mass *m*. The momentum of the incident ray will be  $h\nu_0/c$ , where *c* is



## where is the Continental Divide between Compton Scattering and Inverse Compton Scattering?

## when the electron becomes a projectile (as in ICS) instead of a target (as in Compton)?

Does it depend only on electron energy? No, it depends only on asymmetry in colliding momenta

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#### CM rest frame moves with the photon in Direct Compton

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CM rest frame moves with the electron in Inverse Compton, FEL, Synchrotron light



CM rest fr. slows down in Inv. Compton with deep recoil





0

z [cm]

25

50

75

100

 $\gamma_{cm} \sim \gamma$ 

-25

-75

-50



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I.C.S. low recoil X<<1

 $E'_{ph-max} = 4\gamma^2 E_{ph}$ 

I.C.S. large recoil X>>1

$$E'_{ph-max} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{X}\right)E_e$$

S.C.S. (A=0) or quasi-SCS (A<<1)  $E'_{ph} = E_{ph} \left(1 + \frac{2A}{(1+\beta)\gamma^2}\right)$  $E'_{e} = E_{e} - E_{ph} \frac{2A}{(1+\beta)\gamma^2}$ 

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#### Commissioning the STAR Inverse Thomson Scattering X-ray source: progress report

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#### Abstract

The Southern European Thomson back-scattering source for Applied Research (STAR) is a high energy photon facility located on the campus of the University of Calabria (UniCal). The facility was designed for its first phase to operate with an electron and photon energy up to 85MeV and 140keV respectively. For the second phase of the project the energy of the electrons, and thereby the photons, would be increased up to 150MeV and 300keV respectively. The Italian Institute for Nuclear Physics (INFN) was awarded the project for installing, testing and commissioning the energy upgrade of the electron beamline. Here we will outline the progress made regarding the RF system and the Control System Software (CSS). The former consists out of two C-band linacs connected to their individual RF power stations for which the site acceptence test has recently been performed. For the latter the network of the STAR site has been extended to allow the EPICS based CSS to be further developed, including top level GUIs and IT security infrastructure.



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#### Upgrade to High Energy Line

Upgrade to High Energy line (HE-line) consist out of:

- > Installation of soilenoid (8 cm) in front of S-band cavity for emittance control
- > Installation of two C-band RF cavities incl. powerstations, for higher beam energy
- Cooling system upgrade
- > Electric system upgrade, incl. backup power, power supplies and cabeling
- > IT infrastructure & control system software



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## The $\gamma^2 \theta^2$ issue/disease

All radiation originated by a Lorentz Boost associated to relativistic emitting particles (electrons, heavy ions) is intrinsically poli-chromatic because of  $\gamma\theta$  correlation (energy boost of scattered photons depends on scattering angle, at  $\theta=1/\gamma$  photon energy is 50% of max photon energy at  $\theta=0$ ) of single electron spectrum (on top of inhomogeneous effects)



True for all kinds of Undulatory and Collisional radiation (bremsstrahlung, wiggler/betatron, synchrotron, RRS, ICS), while resonant or amplified radiation (undulators, FELs), that are diffraction limited thanks to their beam quality, are not (or only partially) affected



## Radiation is emitted into a narrow cone



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## To transform to the Lab ref. system we need to compute $\ g_{cm}$



## Then apply a Lorentz transformation

$$\begin{cases} E_{ph} = p_{ph}^* \gamma_{cm} \left( 1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\gamma_{cm}^2}} \cos \theta^* \right) \\ p_{phx} = p_{ph}^* \sin \theta^* \cos \phi^* \\ p_{phy} = p_{ph}^* \sin \theta^* \sin \phi^* \\ p_{phz} = p_{ph}^* \gamma_{cm} \left( \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\gamma_{cm}^2}} + \cos \theta^* \right) \end{cases}$$

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# Image: Non-Recall ICSImage: Non-Recall I



R. Hajima and M. Fujiwara, Narrow-band GeV photons generated from an x-ray free-electron laser oscillator, Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams 19, 020702 (2016). XFELO Project

, CAIN simulations. First line spectrum, second line angular distribution, third line energy as a ft column, case E middle column, case F right column.



## BriXSinO's ICS source – Illya Drebot with CAIN – ICS Moustache



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#### **Inverse Compton Sources rivaling/overcoming**

Synchrotron Light Sources at photon energies above 80-100 keV



Figure 1: Brightness of several radiation sources as a function of the photon energy. \$: Photon number/s/mm<sup>2</sup>/mrad<sup>2</sup>/(0.1%. I.C.S. Sources (LTI-CLS, ThomX, STAR, UH-FLUX and BriXS) are compared to Synchrotron Light Sources and the most performing X-ray tube so far (Metal Jet).

Inverse Compton Sources, Overview, Theory, Main Technological Challenges – Photonic Colliders

- New Generation of X/γ ray beams via electron-photon beam collisions for advanced applications in medicine/biology-material science/cultural heritage/national security *and* fundamental research in nuclear physics and high energy physics (*e-γ*, γ-γ colliders, pol. *e*<sup>+</sup> beams, hadron. physics, etc)
- Inverse Compton Sources (ICS) are e<sup>-</sup>/photon colliders aimed at producing secondary beams of photons
- Several Test-Facilities world-wide: after a decade of machine test&development we are entering the era of User Facilities in X-ray imaging and γ-ray Nuclear Physics and Photonics

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Challenges of *electron-(optical)photon colliders* as  $X/\gamma$  beam Sources using Compton back-scattering

- Need of *high peak brightness/high average current* electron beams (cmp. FEL's drivers) *fsec-class* synchronized and µmµrad-scale aligned to *high peak/average power* laser beams
- Main goal for Nuclear Physics and Nuclear Photonics: Spectral Densities > 10<sup>4</sup> N<sub>ph</sub>/(s·eV) photon energy range 1-20 MeV, bandwidths 10<sup>-3</sup> class
- Main goal for Medical Applications with X-rays: tunability in the 20-120 keV range, good mono-chromaticity (1-10 %), high flux (10<sup>11</sup> min., 10<sup>12</sup> for radio-imaging, 10<sup>13</sup> for radio-therapy)

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#### **INFN** Photon / Particle Beams: diffraction, envelope, matching, co-propagation. Example: TEM<sub>00</sub> Gaussian Laser mode (circ. pol. M<sup>2</sup>=1 diffr. limited)



$$E_{0}(x,y,z,t) = A_{0}e^{i\omega t}e^{-ikz}\frac{Z_{0}}{Z_{0}-iz}\exp\left[-\frac{k(x^{2}+y^{2})}{2}\frac{1}{Z_{0}-iz}\right] \quad k = 2\pi/\lambda$$
$$\left|E_{0}(x,y,z,t)\right| = E_{0}\frac{W_{0}}{w^{2}}e^{-\frac{x^{2}+y^{2}}{w^{2}}}$$

$$w = w_0 \sqrt{1 + \frac{z^2}{Z_0^2}}$$
  $Z_0 = \frac{\rho w_0^2}{\rho w_0^2}$   $\vartheta = \frac{w_0}{Z_0} = \frac{\lambda}{\pi w_0}$ 

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 $I \mid \left| E_0(x, y, z, t) \right|^2$ 



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Fig. 5. Spectra of the rays. (a) CAIN (b) Quantum model (c) Classical treatment in the case of beam (A) and for the laser parameter of Table 1 and interaction angle  $\alpha=\pi$ ; rms acceptance angle  $\theta_{rms} = 25\mu$ rad