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Hybrid pixel detectors for photon science at synchrotrons and FELs

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- Synchrotrons (SwissLightSource as example) and typical experiments
- FELs (Swiss-FEL as example)

- Requirements for detectors
- Development of hybrid pixel detectors at PSI

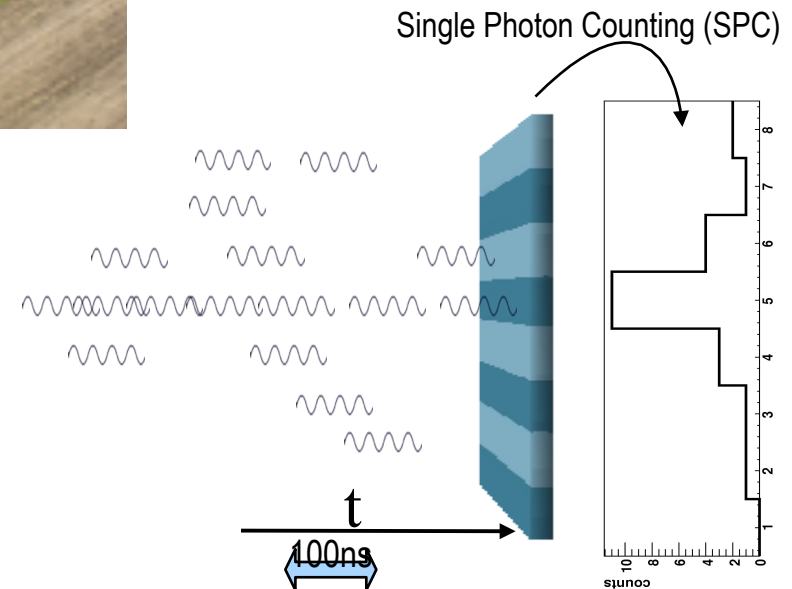
- Outlook on upgrades of machines and requirements for future detectors



288 m circumference
Xrays 3 eV – 45 keV

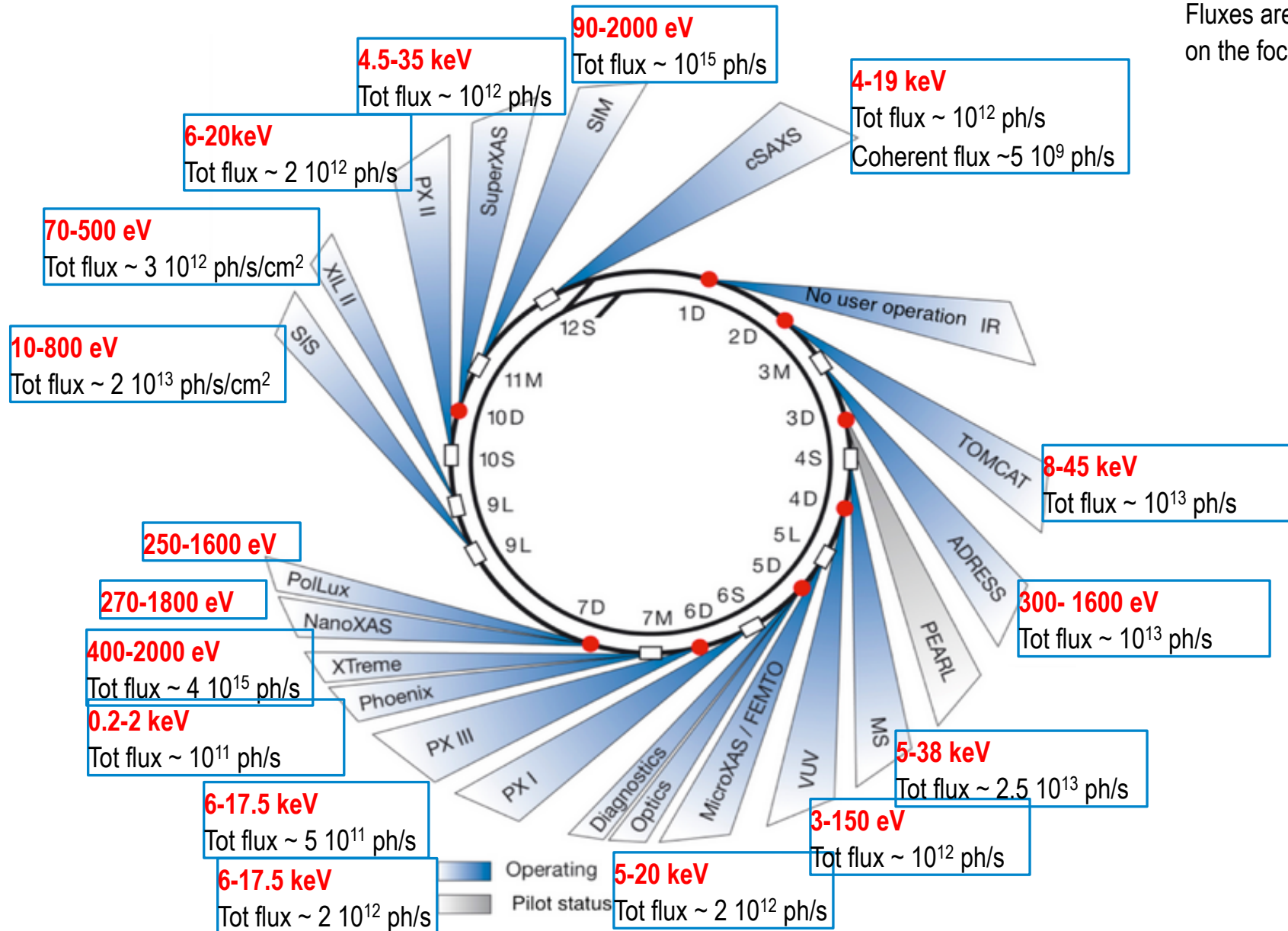
Synchrotron source:

- Huge number of “weak” photon bunches (a bunch every 2 ns)
- Bunch length is 20 ps
- Photons impinge on the detector with a semi-continuous time distribution

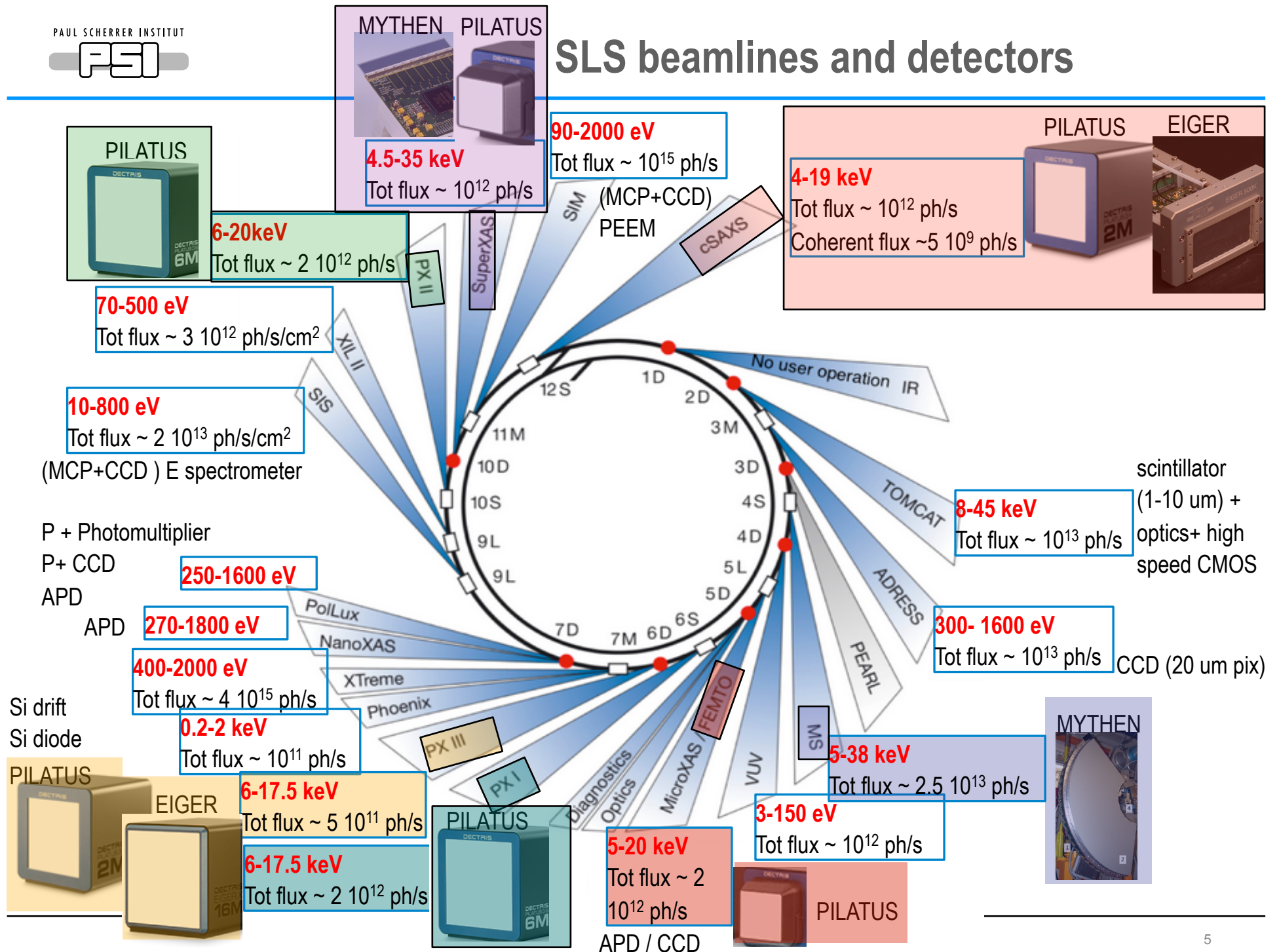


SLS beamlines

Fluxes are given on the focal spot

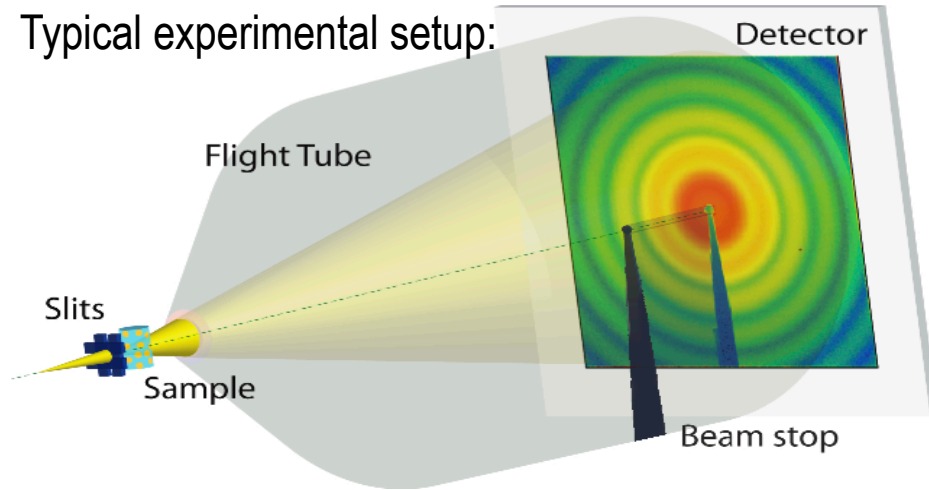


SLS beamlines and detectors



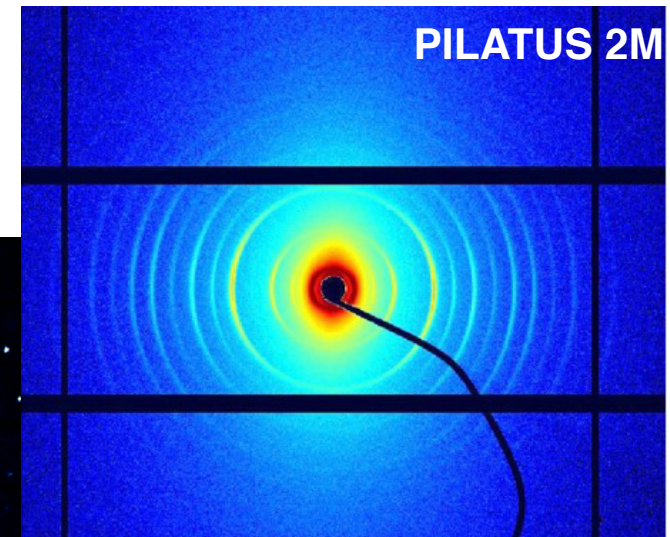
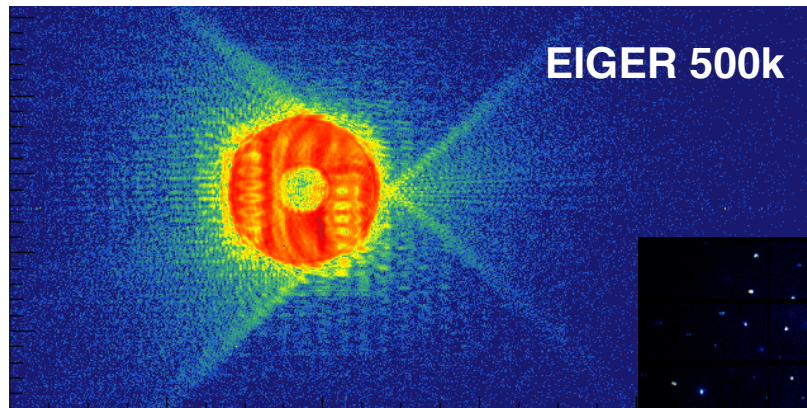
Diffraction experiments at synchrotrons

Typical experimental setup:

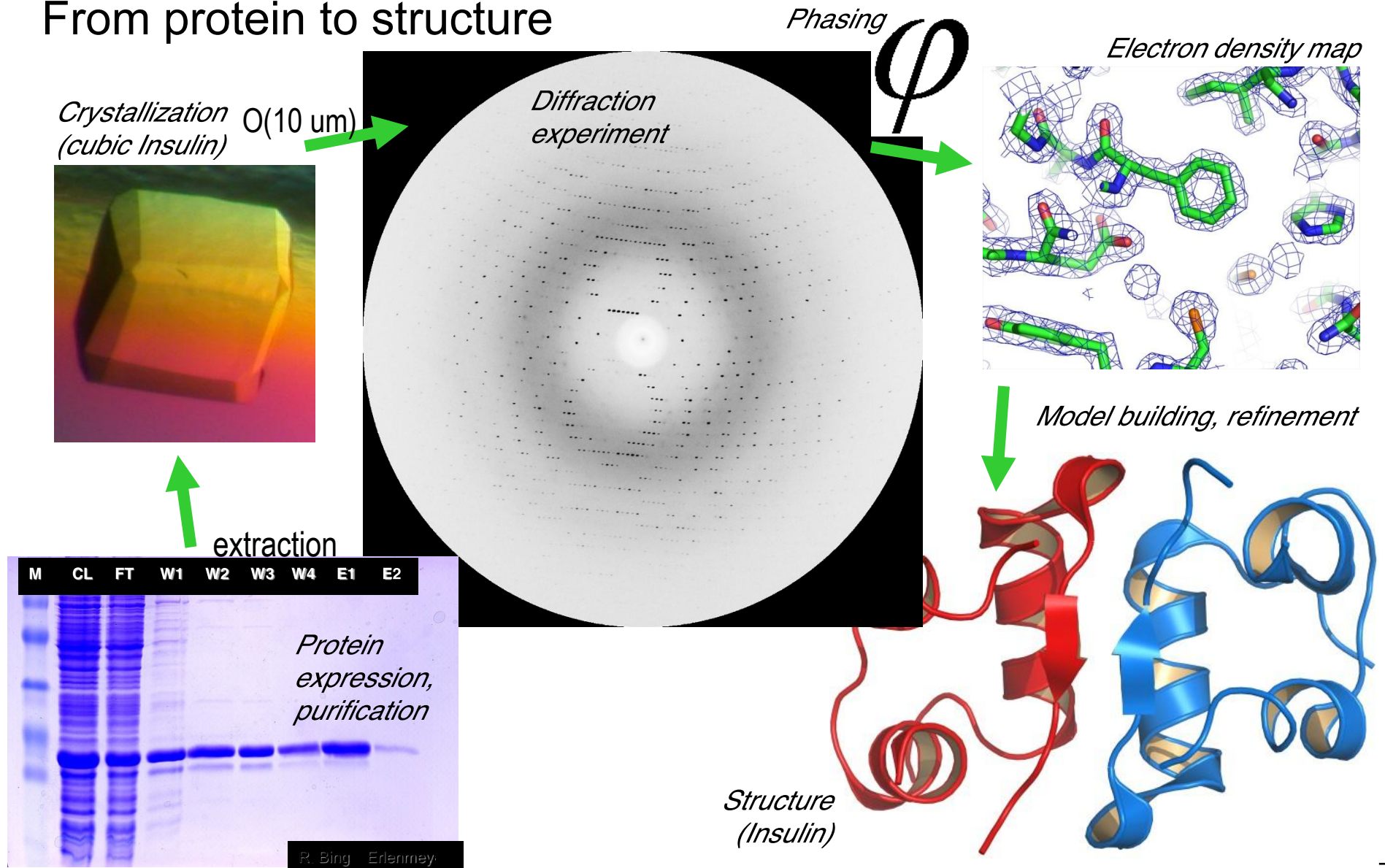


Typical applications:

- Coherent Diffractive Imaging (CDI)
- Small Angle X-ray Scattering (SAXS)
- Scanning SAXS
- Protein Crystallography
- X-ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy (XPCS)



From protein to structure



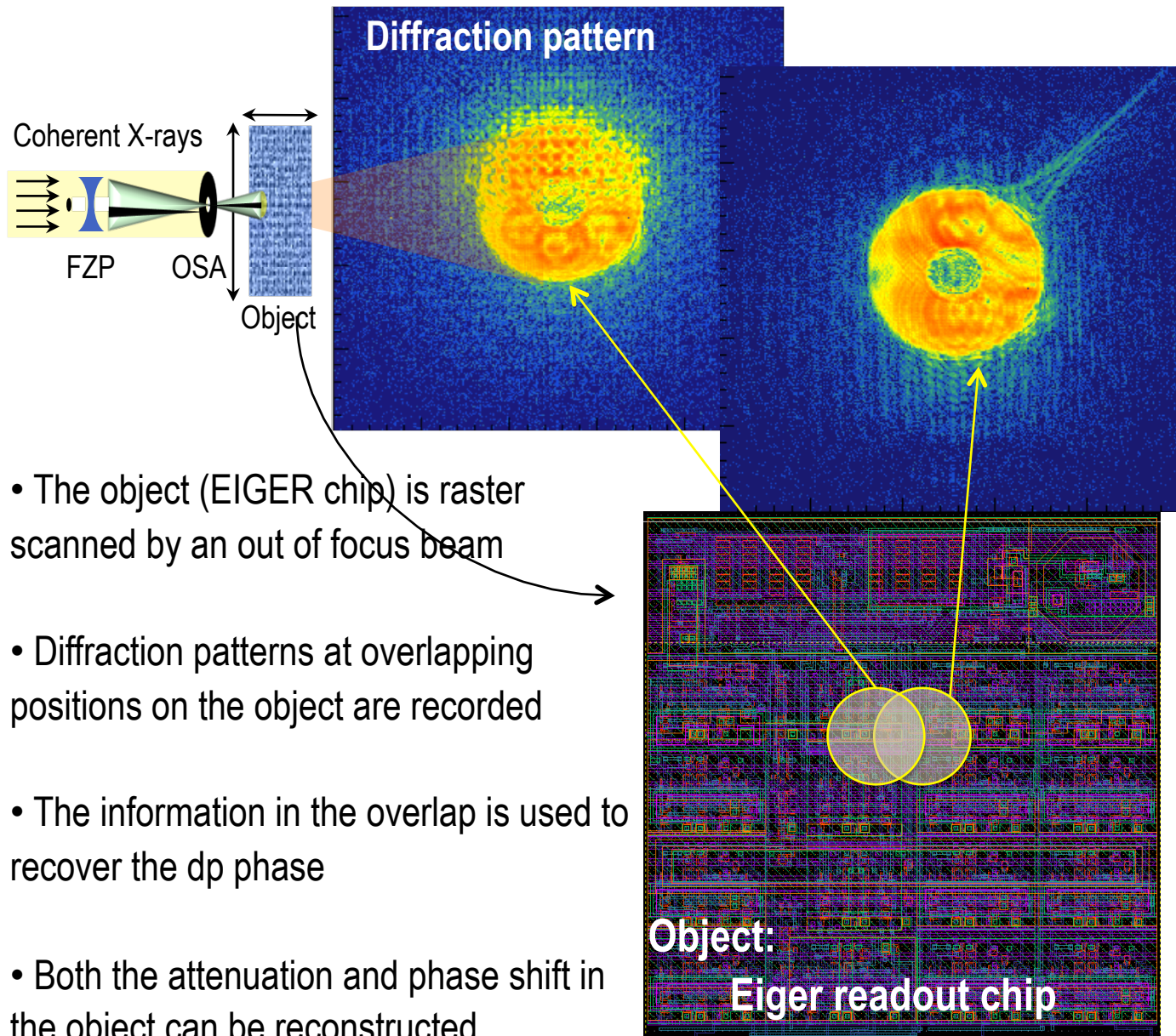
more than 900 protein structures
solved at PXI beamline at SLS

~2/3 using Pilatus II 6M

compiled by Sandro Waltersperger
Oct 2011



Ptychography – Coherent imaging

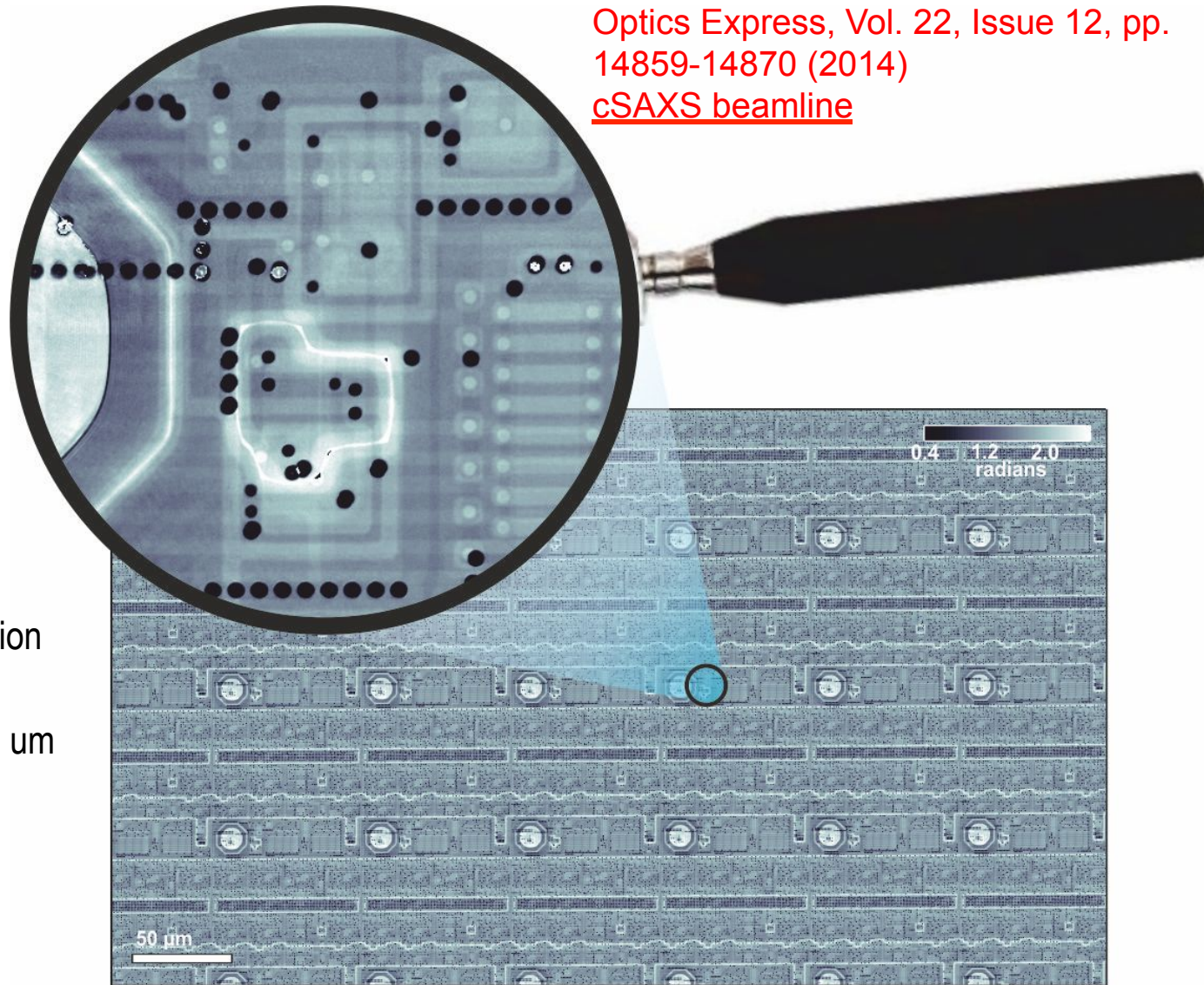


- The object (EIGER chip) is raster scanned by an out of focus beam
- Diffraction patterns at overlapping positions on the object are recorded
- The information in the overlap is used to recover the dp phase
- Both the attenuation and phase shift in the object can be reconstructed

- Achieves imaging resolution of ~10 nm
- Can be combined with CT for 3D imaging

Large area, high resolution Ptychography

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14859-14870 (2014)
[cSAXS beamline](#)



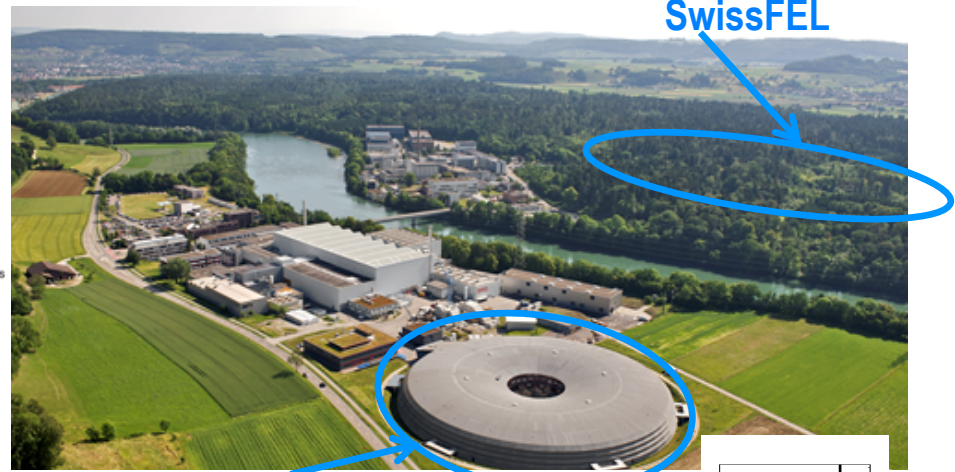
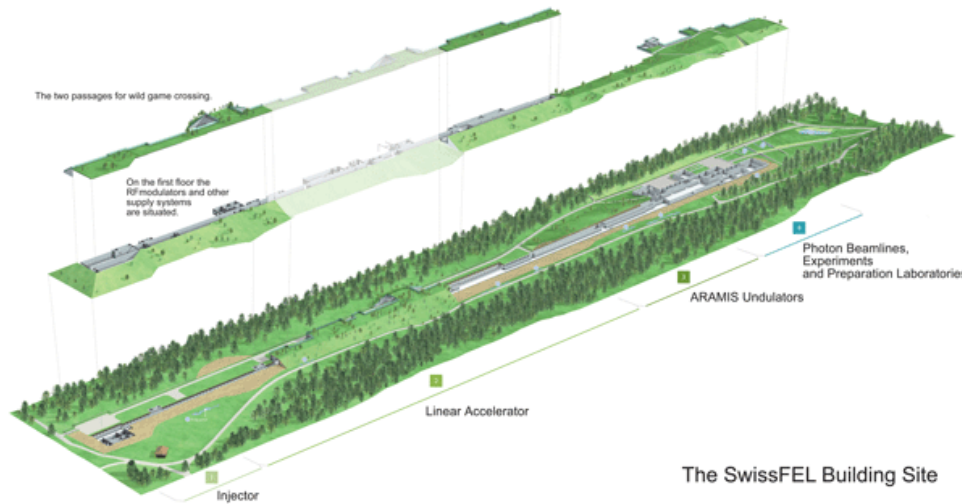
- 45 nm resolution
- Large area:
500 μm x 290 μm

SwissFEL: New generation X-ray free electron laser

Light expected to users in 2016

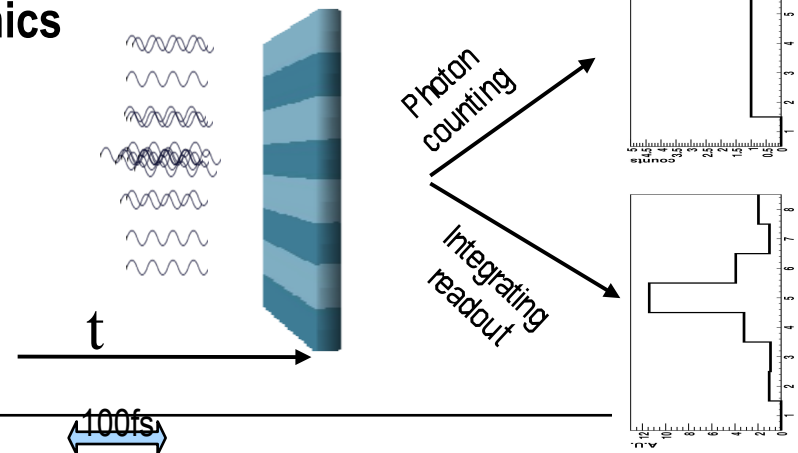
Xrays 1.77 - 12.4 keV (7 to 1 Å)

- 100 Hz repetition rate in two bunch charge modes (10 and 200 pC)
- 1.8 to 21 fs pulse lengths
- Pulse energies between 10 and 200 μJ → ≤ 10¹¹ photons/pulse



Higher brilliance than synchrotron and faster dynamics

- FEL:**
- Fewer intense bunches
 - All photons in the bunch coming at once
 - High number of particles/channel per bunch

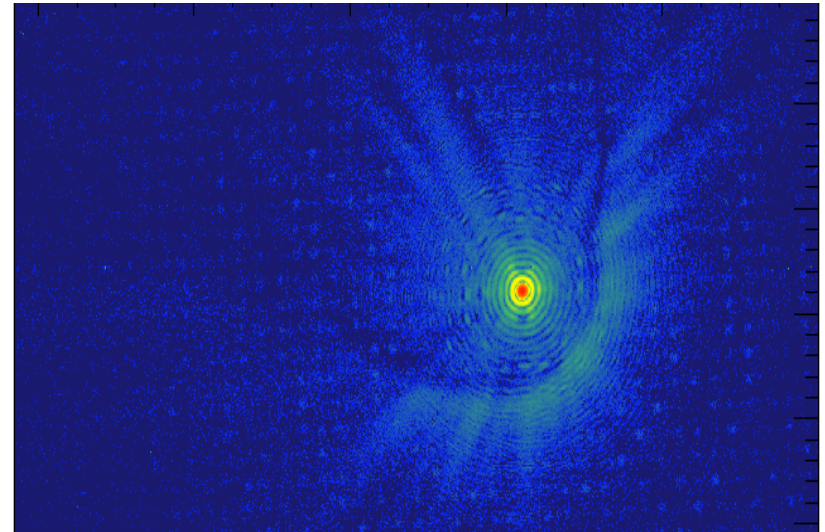


Requirements for X-ray detectors at synchrotrons and FELs

- Energy range: **2 - 40 keV** (@ SLS and SwissFEL), up to 150 keV (ESRF/Spring 8)
- Single photon sensitivity: **noise \ll signal $\sim O(100 e^-)$**
- Sufficient angular coverage: **large area (40 x 40 cm²)**
- Spatial resolution: **millions of pixels (75 x 75 μm^2)**
- High frame rates: **Tens of kHz**
- Ability to **gate** or **synchronization** to experimental machines

Synchrotrons:

- High count rate capability: **count rates 1 MHz/pixel**

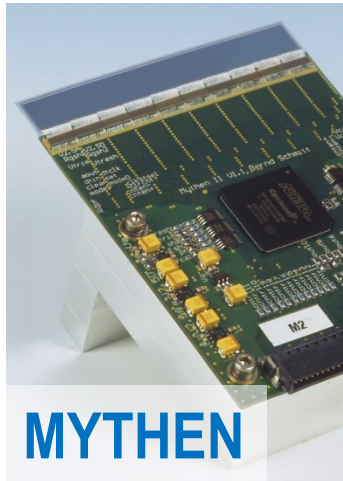


FELs:

- High dynamic range: **10^4 12 keV photons/pixel/pulse**

Single
Photon
Counting

Microstrips
50 μm



Pixels
25 μm



Pixels
75 μm

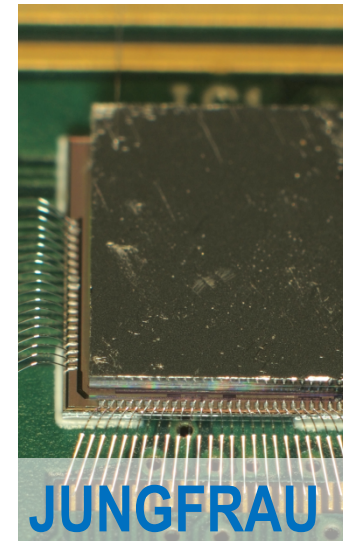
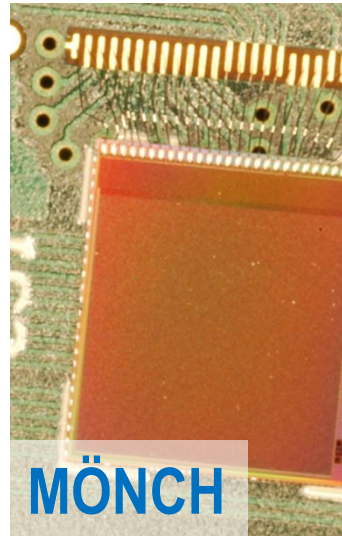


Pixels
 $\sim 200 \mu\text{m}$

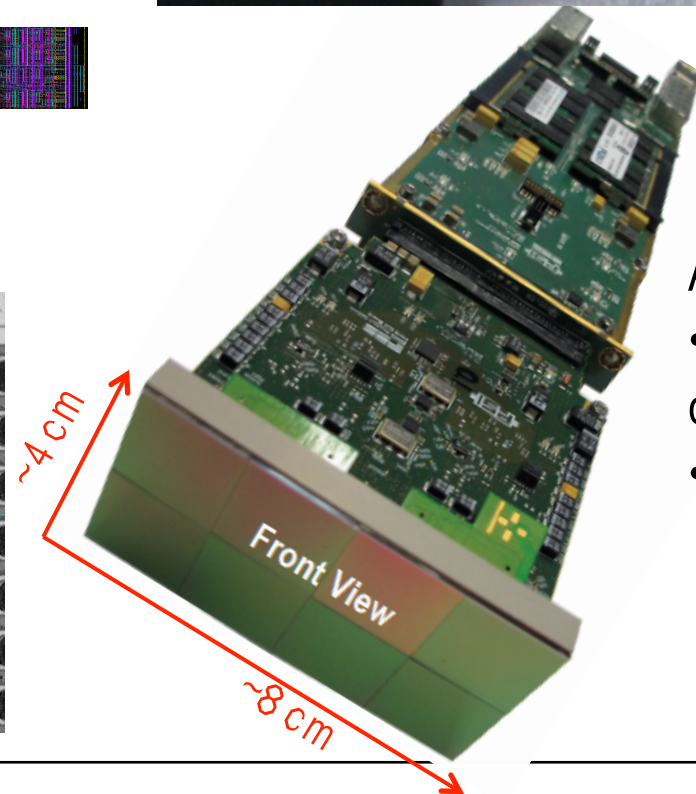
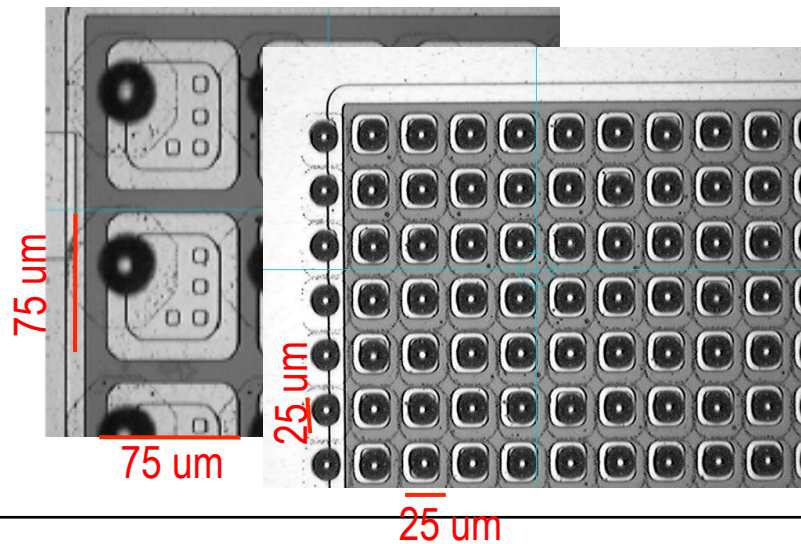
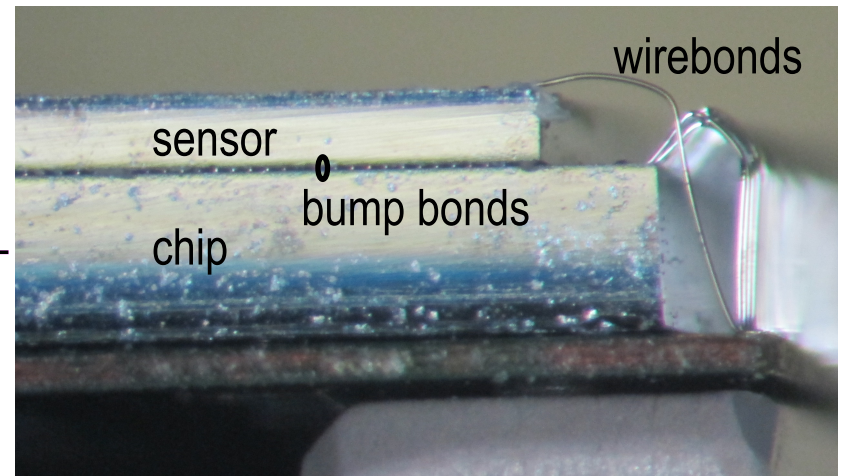
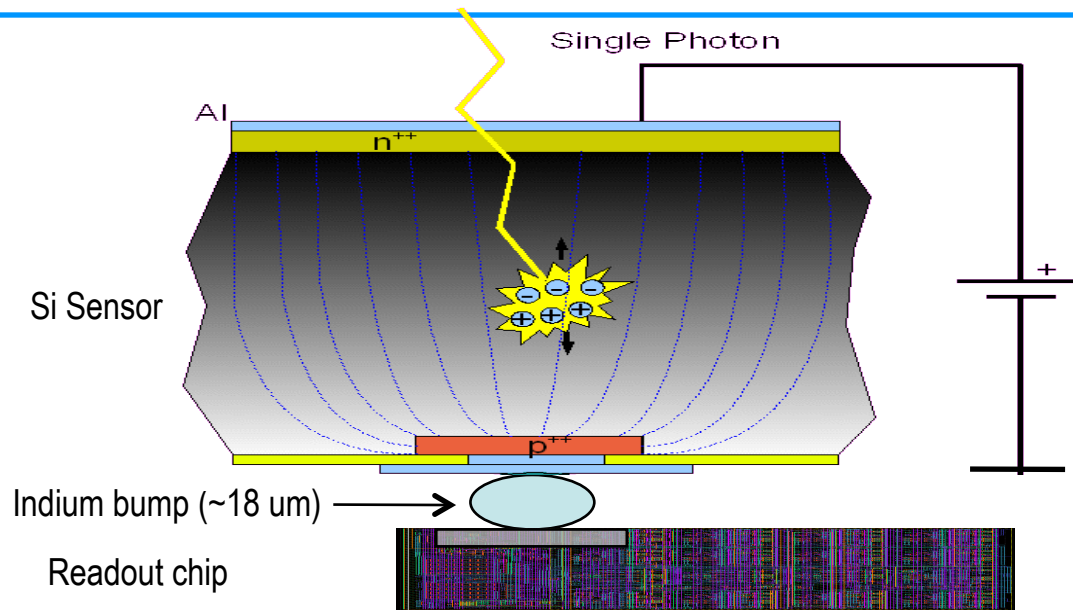


PILATUS
(DECTRIS)

Charge
Integrating



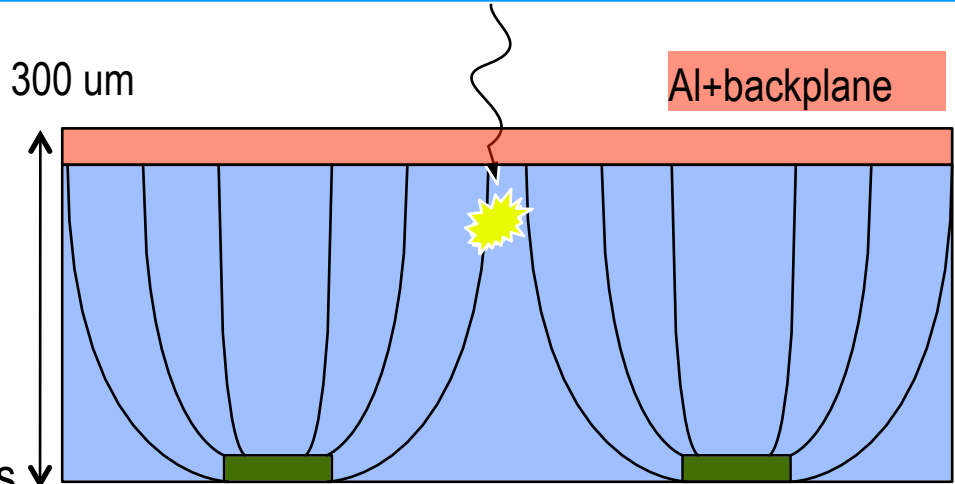
Hybrid pixel detectors



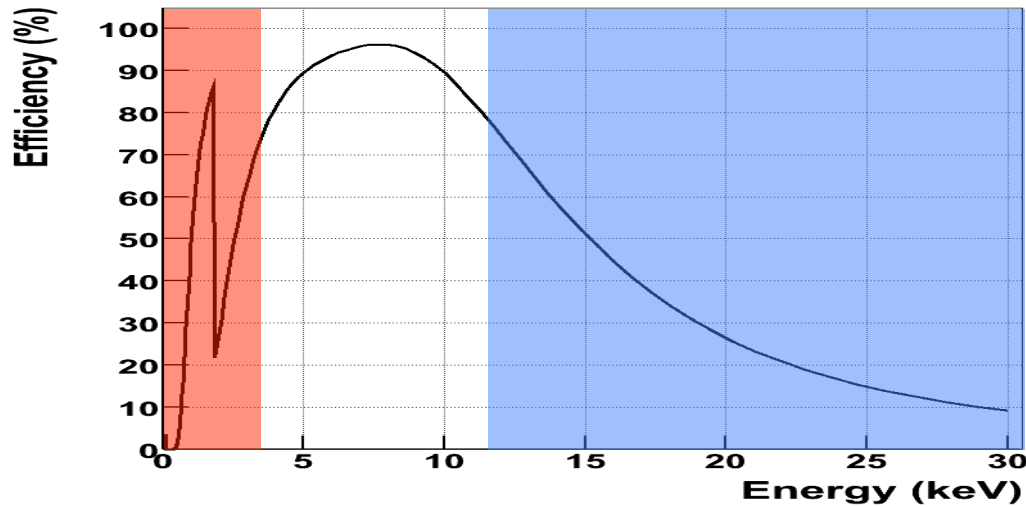
- EIGER
- A module:
- many (8) chips
 - 1 sensor

Sensor: Si and high Z materials

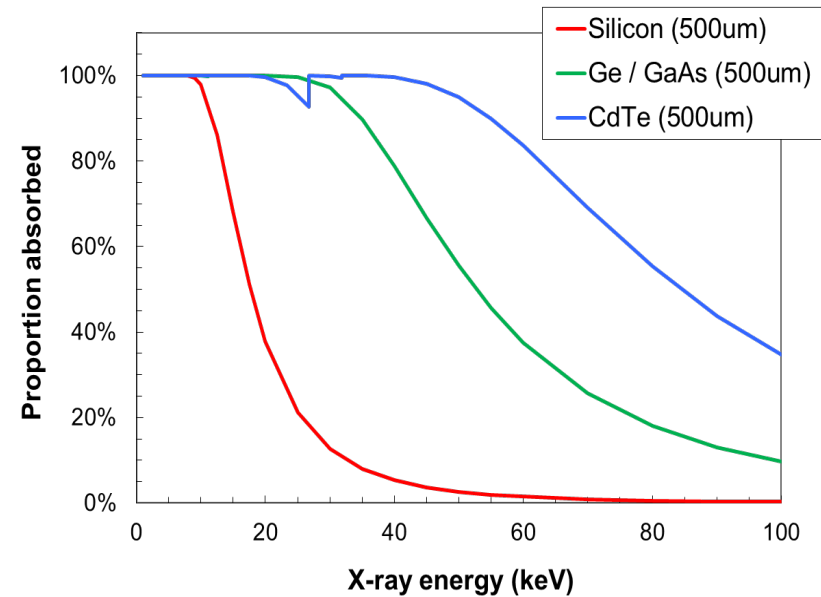
- Absorption of the X-rays in sensor: mainly photoelectric effect (<40 keV), 'pointlike'
- The energy is converted into electric charge
- About 3.6 eV to generate an e-h pair in silicon
- Signal is 1000 e⁻ for 3.6 keV photons
- Study of high Z materials (CdTe, GaAs) to extend the quantum efficiency at higher energies



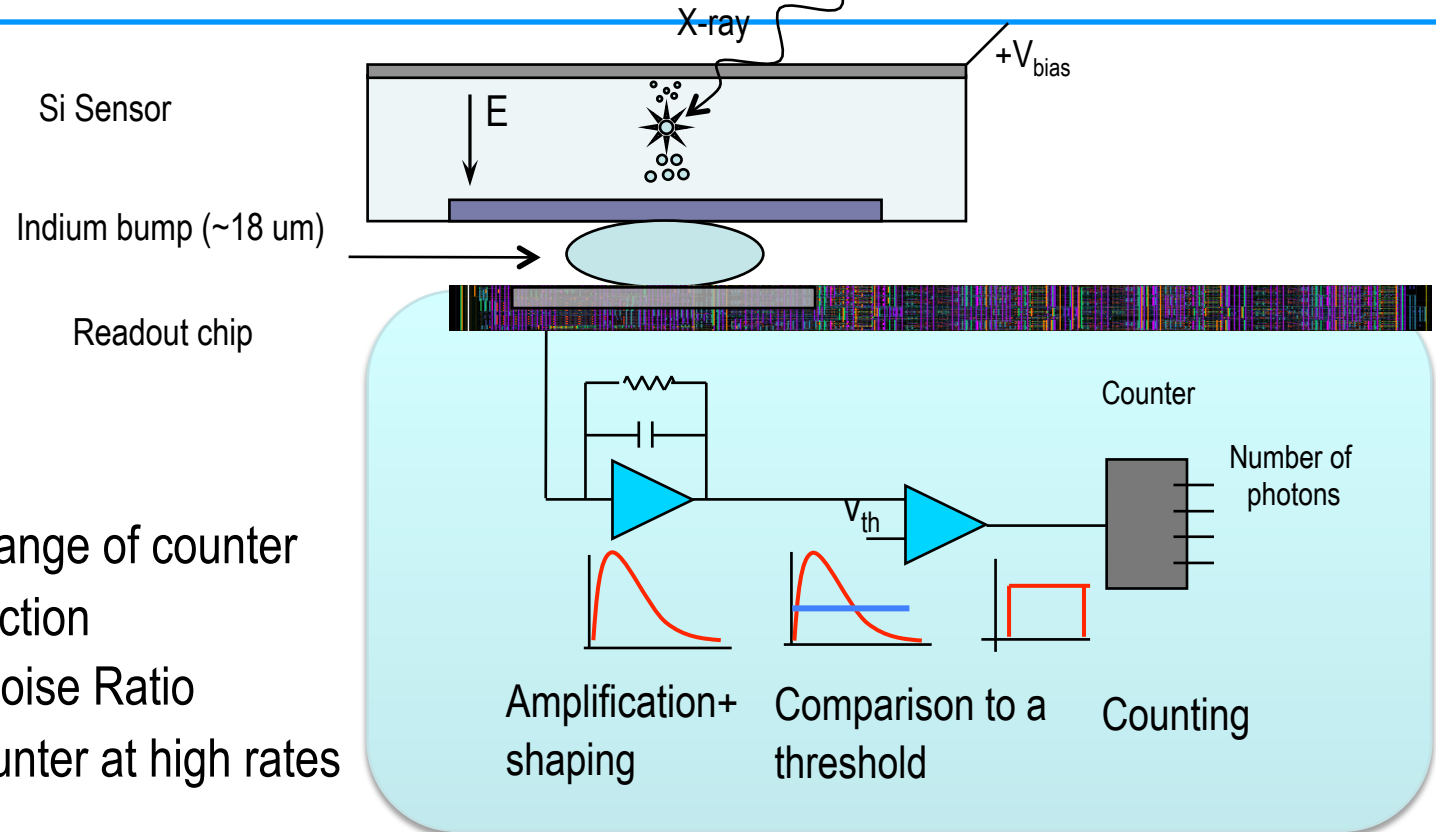
Standard silicon sensors:
300μm thick, 2μm backplane



Photoelectric absorption of X-rays



Single photon counting detectors

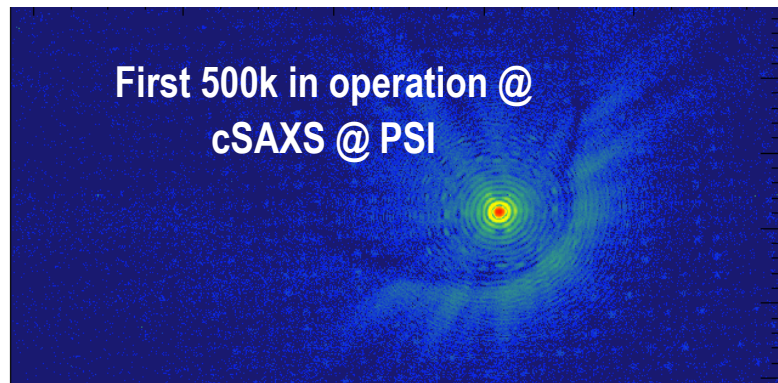
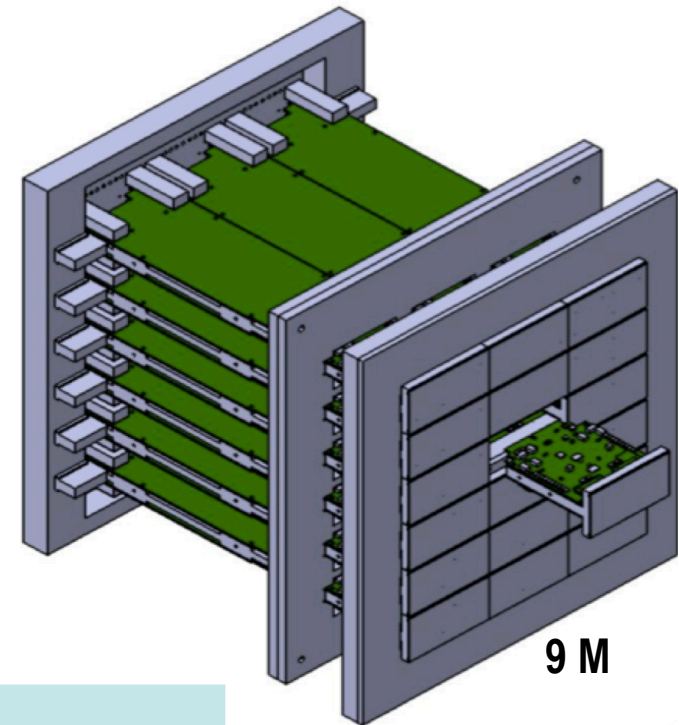
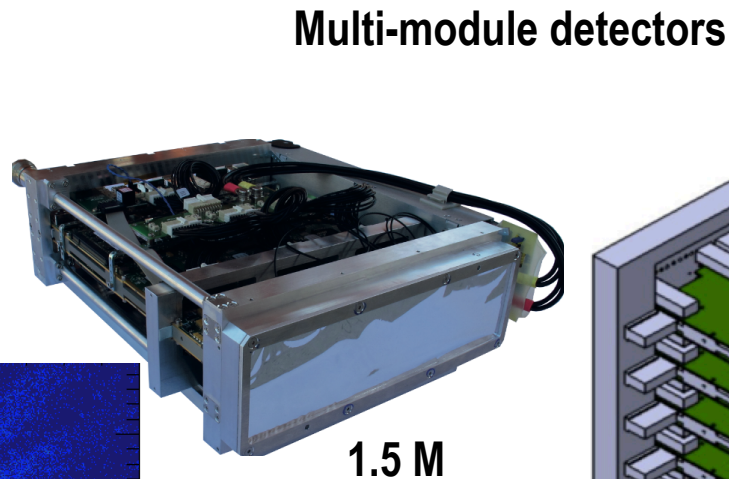
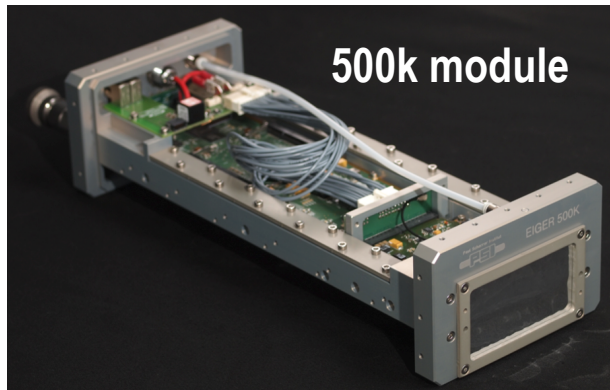


- Advantages:

- Large dynamic range of counter
- Background rejection
- Ideal Signal to Noise Ratio
- Gating of the counter at high rates

- Disadvantages:

- Pile-up for high photon intensities
- Minimum pixel size due to charge sharing between pixels
- Minimum detectable energy



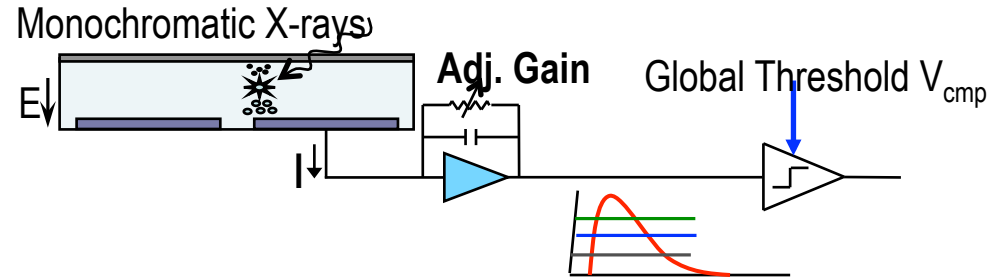
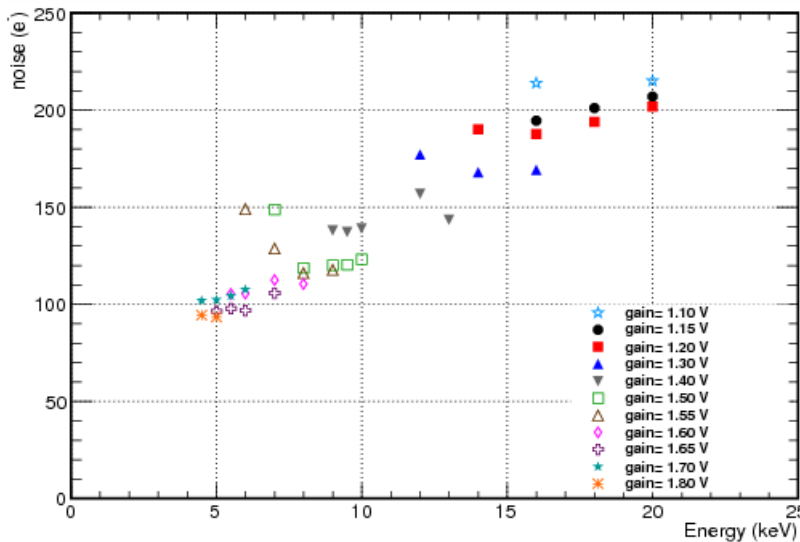
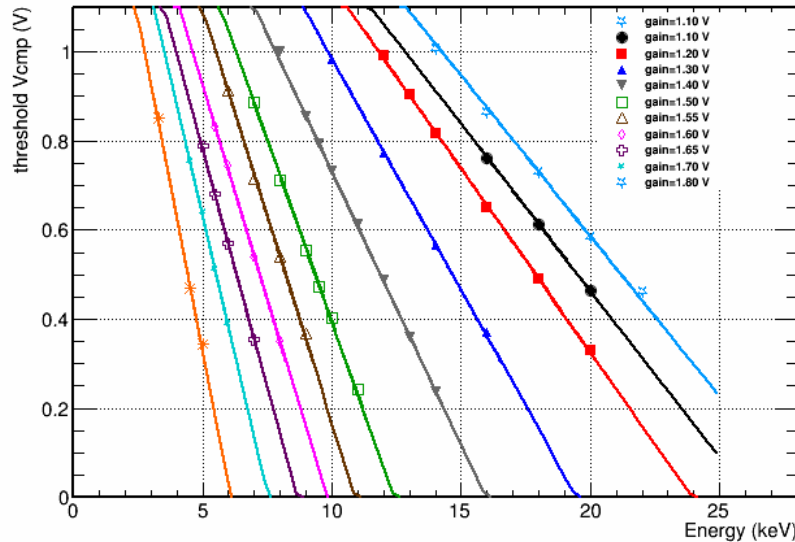
Tradeoff between frame rate and counter dynamic range

	Pixel array	Size	Frame rate @ 4b	Frame rate @ 8b	Frame rate @ 12b	Data rate @ 100Hz ¹
Module	512 x 1024	38x77 mm ²	23 kHz	12 kHz	8kHz	419 Mb/s
1.5M	512 x 3072	38x238 mm ²	23 kHz	12kHz	8kHz	1.26 Gb/s
9M	3072 x 3072	233x238 mm ²	23 kHz	12 kHz	8kHz	7.55 Gb/s

- Almost dead time free detector
- High frame rate independent on size
- Data rate grows with size

1) 8 bit

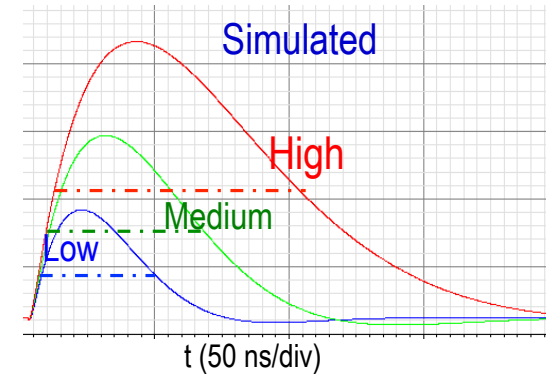
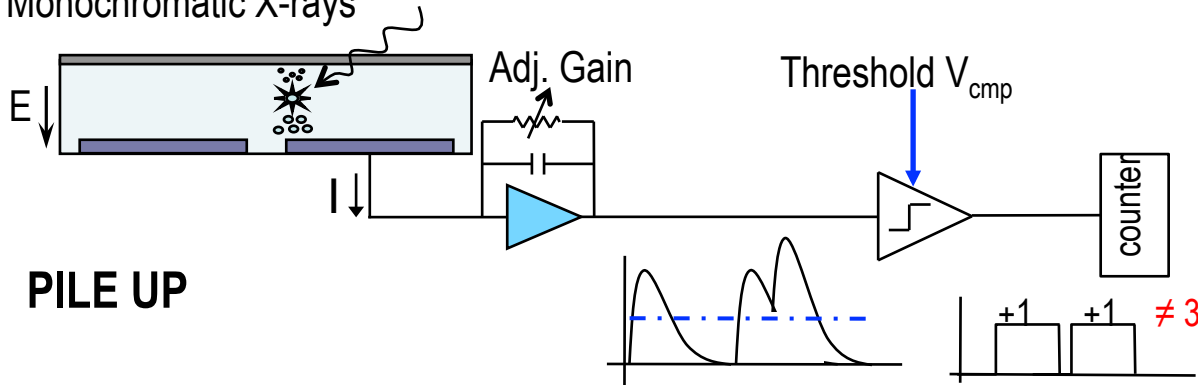
Threshold calibration and noise



- The **preamplifier gain** in EIGER is user configurable to scan a different range of photon energies
- The **threshold setting** can be calibrated into photon energy
- Threshold is calibrated to be uniform in the detector and its dispersion is negligible ($20 e^-$) in respect to noise
- Noise decreases with higher pre-amp gain
- As the noise at high gain is $\sim 100 e^-$, we see photons >3 keV

Rate correction as a function of energy

Monochromatic X-rays

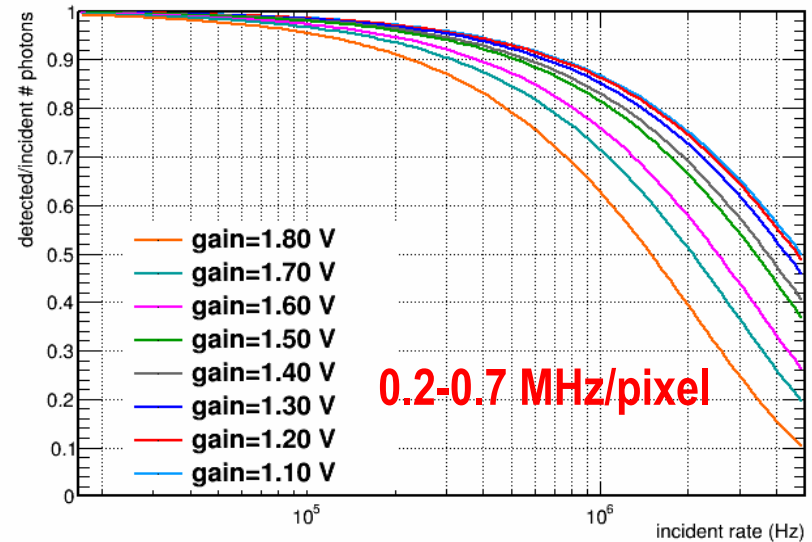
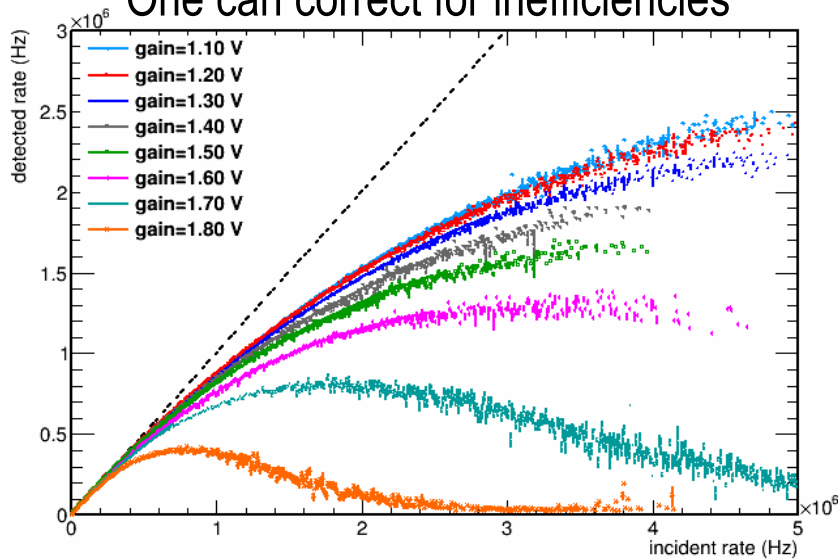


Paralizable counter model:

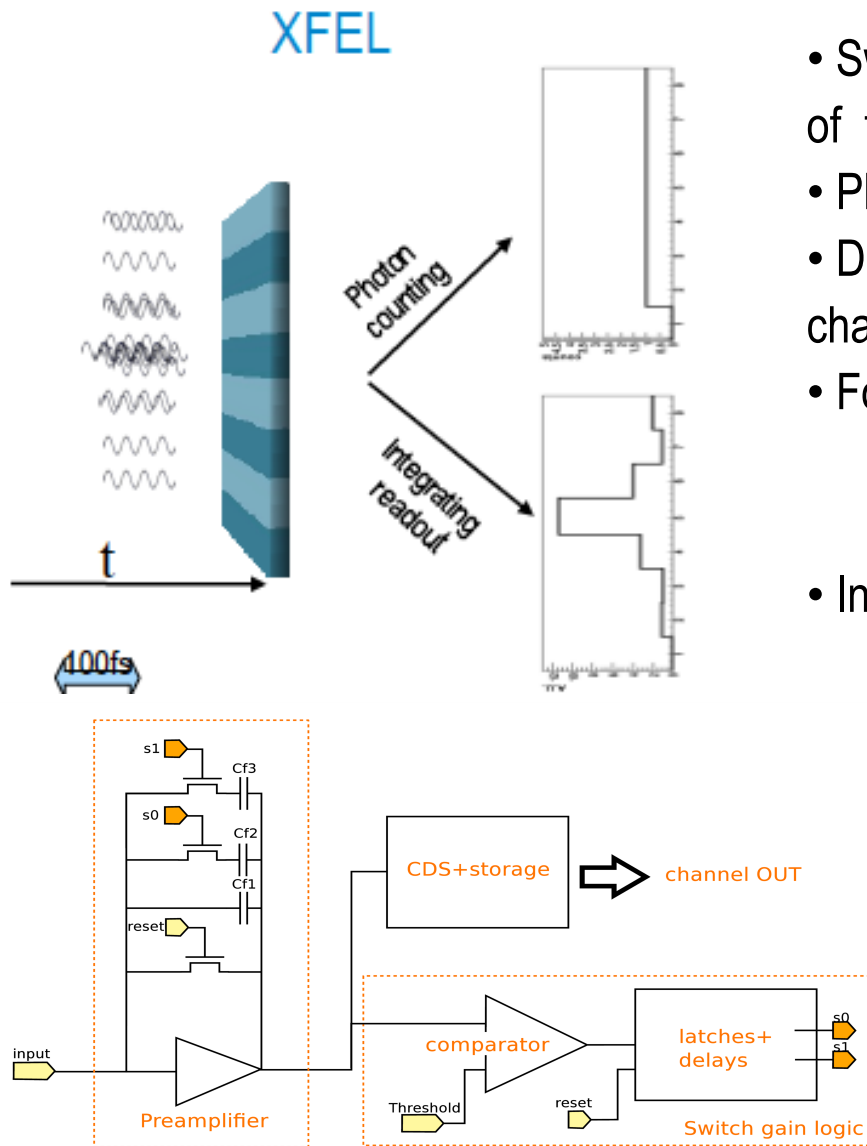
$$N_{det} = N_{inc} \cdot e^{-N_{inc} \cdot \tau}$$

For the same energy, lower gain optimizes for rate capabilities

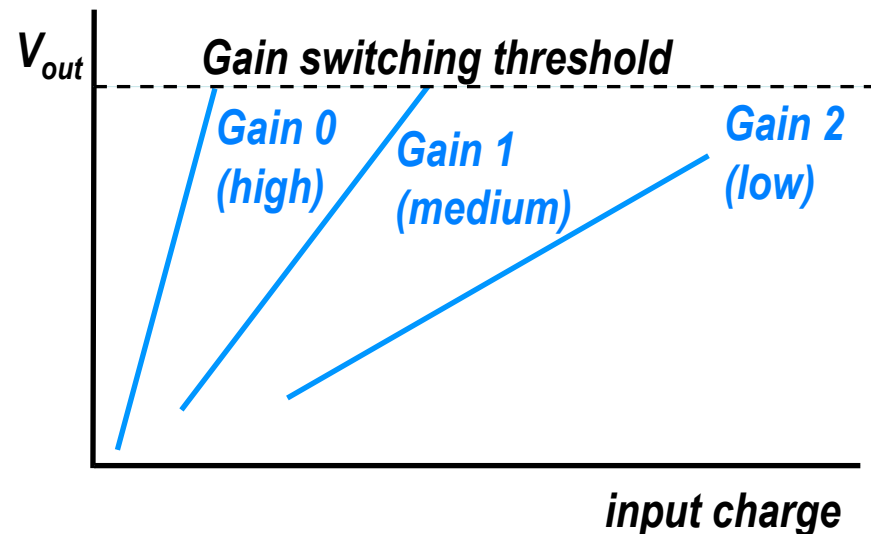
One can correct for inefficiencies



The future: charge integrating detectors for FELs

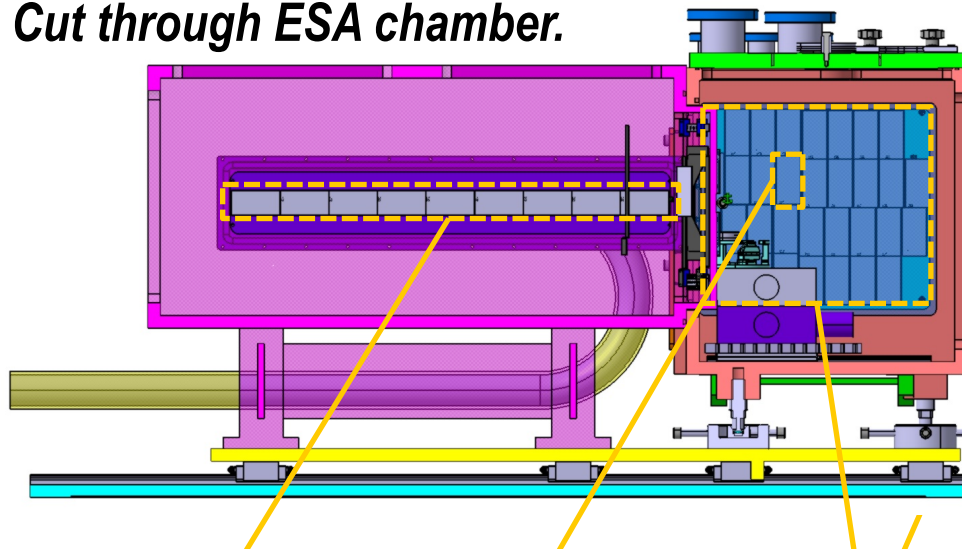


- Swiss-FEL will deliver 10^{11} photons/pulse in \sim hundreds of fs
- Photon counters cannot be used
- Development of charge integrating detectors with charge information
- For the detector the main challenges are:
 - Single photon resolution
 - Dynamic range of 10^4 photons
- In exposure 'dynamic gain switching' is the solution

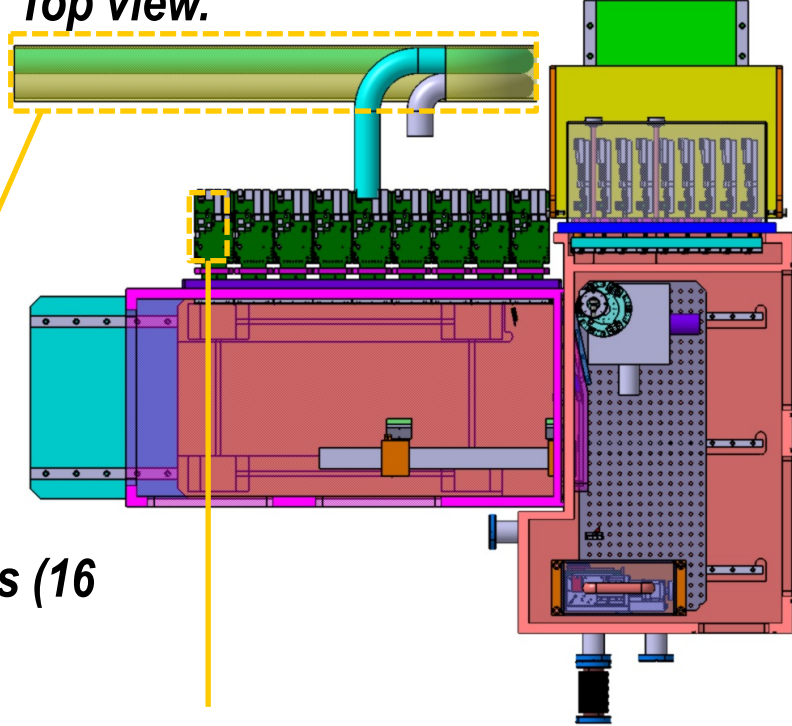


JUNGFRAU at ESA @ SwissFEL

Cut through ESA chamber.



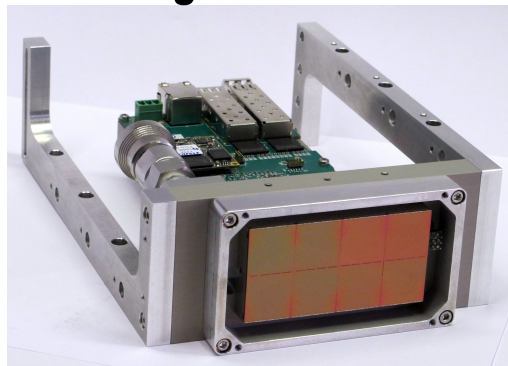
Top view.



**9 JUNGFRAU modules
(4.5 Mpixel).**

**32 JUNGFRAU modules (16
Mpixel).**

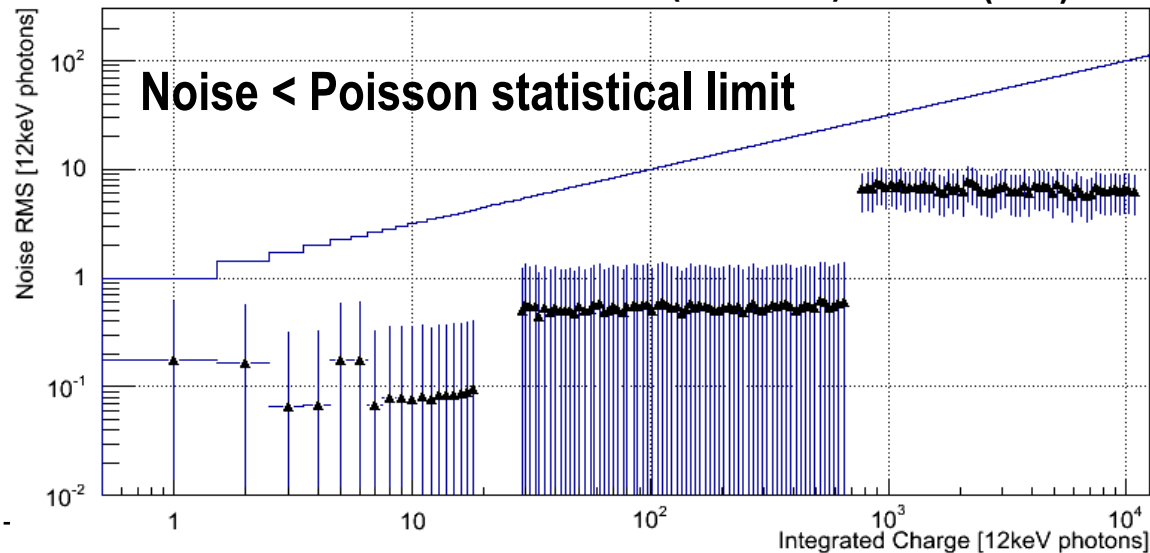
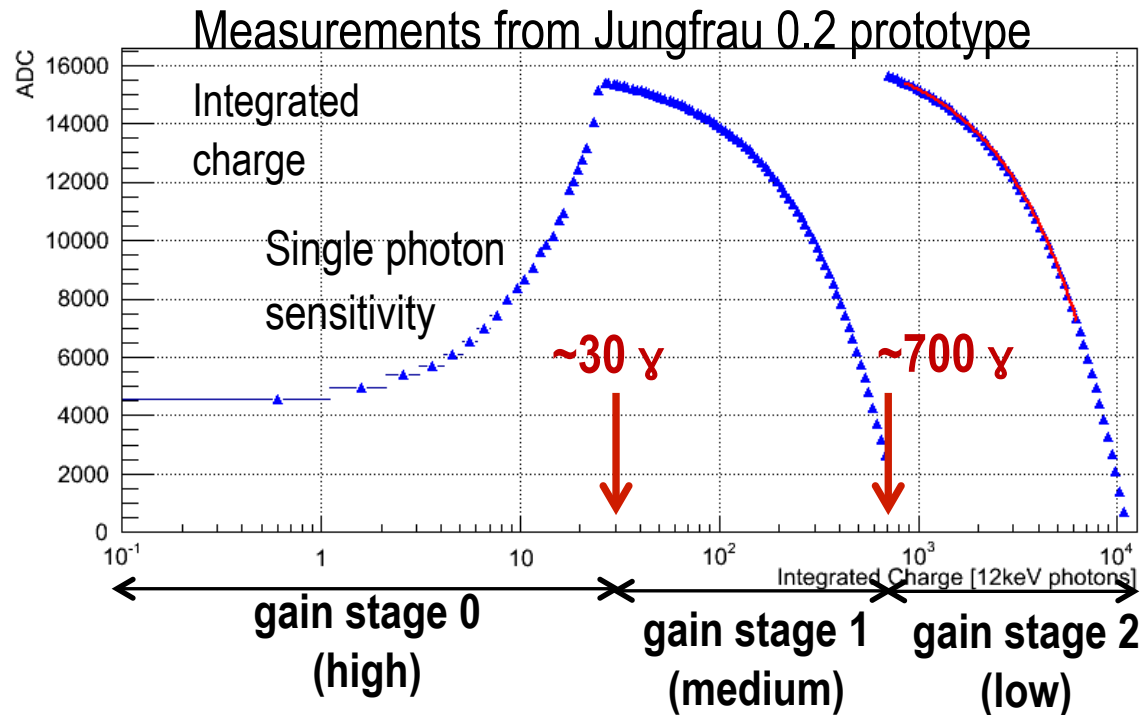
Single module.



**Detector
infrastructure:
Power, cooling,
data, controls.**

Readout board.





Detector returns the charge info (ADC) and the gain used

Automatic gain switching:

- White visible light illumination
- Increasing integration time
→ Covers **dynamic range** of **> 4 orders of magnitude** !

Calibration of the integrated charge vs number of photons needs to be studied and applied

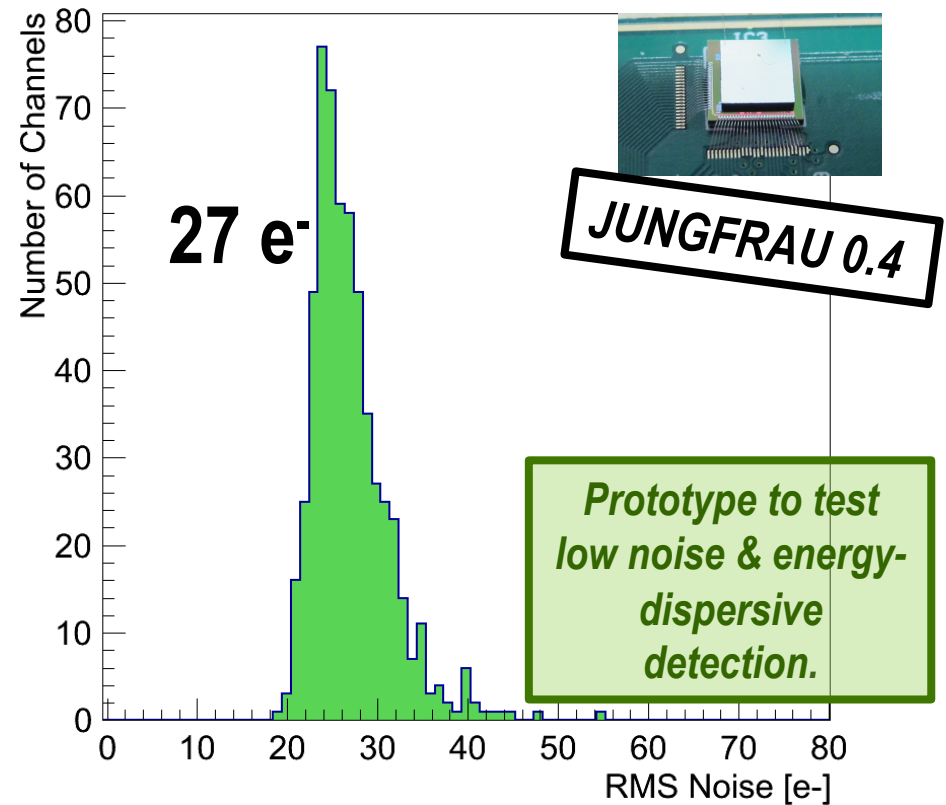
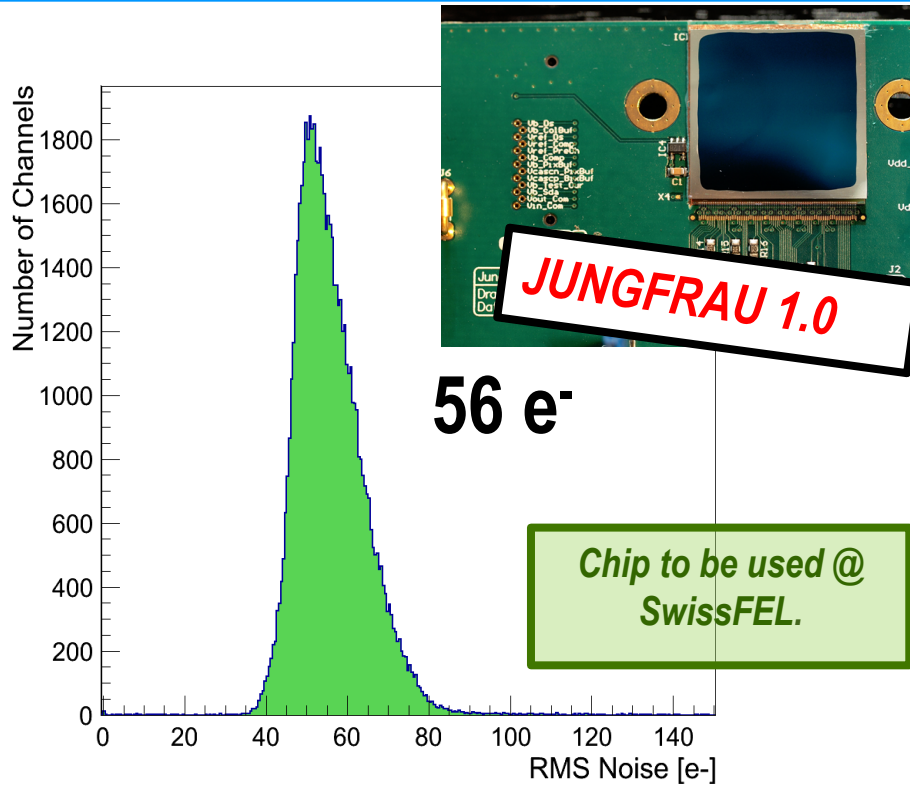
Targeted frame rate of 2 kHz:

Count rate of 20 MHz/pixel

Factor 20 better than EIGER!

Use at synchrotrons is under study!

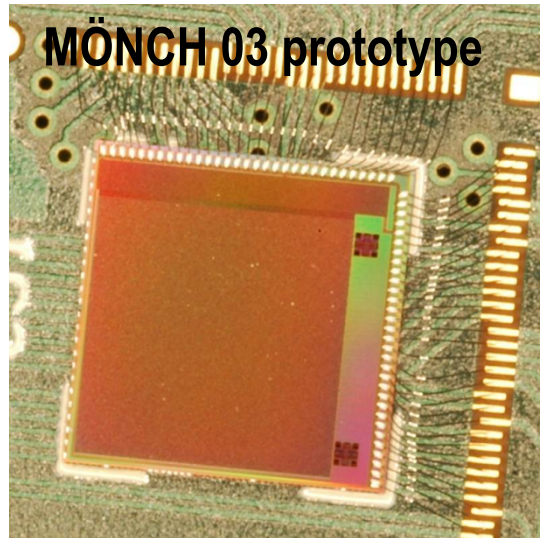
Noise of JUNGFRAU



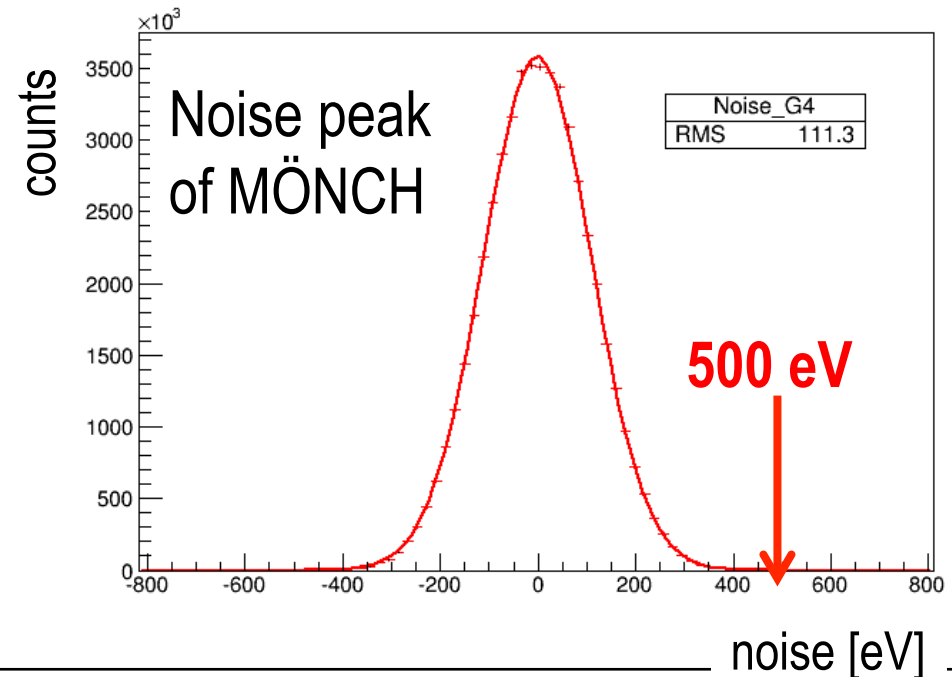
	JUNGFRAU 0.4	JUNGFRAU 1.0
RMS Noise [e ⁻]	27	56
RMS Noise [eV]	< 100	< 210
5σ RMS Noise [eV]	< 500	< 1050

- SwissFEL will provide Xrays with energy as low as 2 keV
- Extend the use of hybrid pixel detectors to lower photon energies

Small pixels: the MÖNCH detector

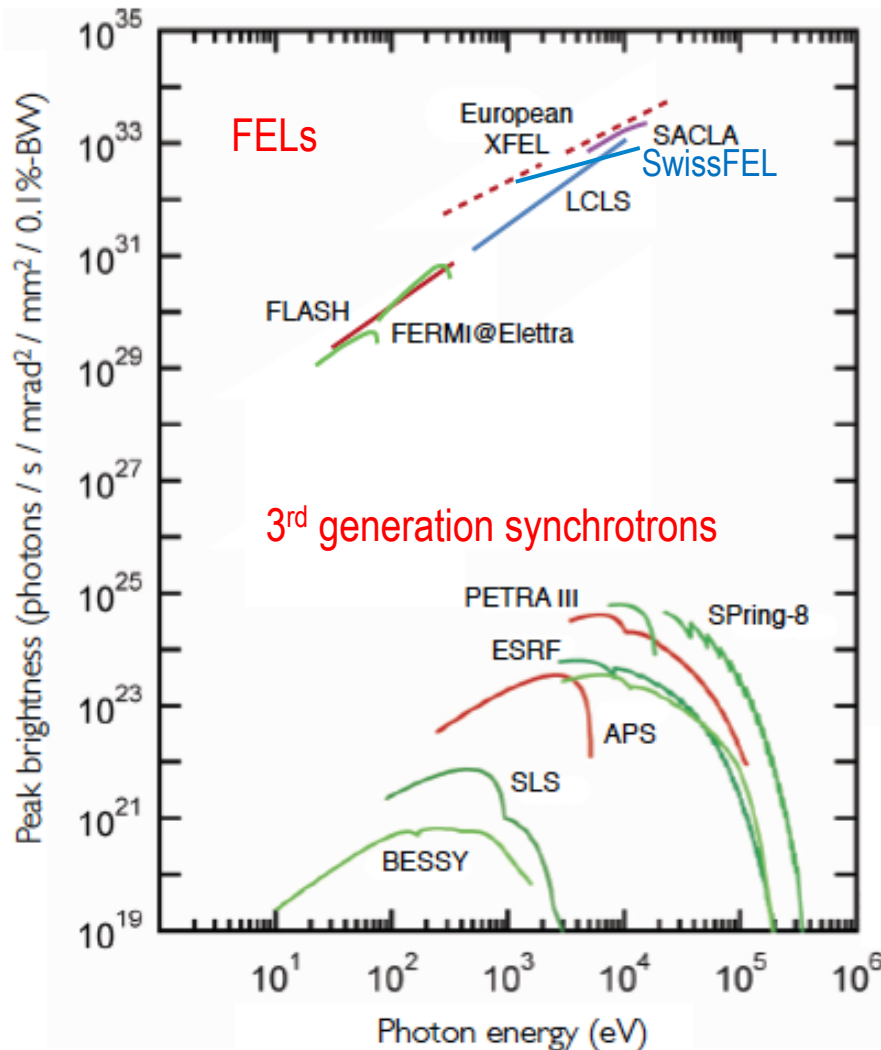


- Smallest pixel size of hybrid pix detectors: **bump bonding yield is >99.9%**
 - **Low noise** detector 30 e⁻ noise RMS : minimum photon energy 500 eV!
 - Plan larger systems as a low energy detector
 - **High spatial resolution**: algorithm to exploit the charge shared between more pixels allow for **1um spatial resolution**
- 25 x 25 μm^2 pixel size
 - Active area: 4x4 mm^2
 - 160 x160 pixels
 - Active area 1x1 cm^2
 - 400 x 400 pixels
 - Frame rate foreseen up to 6 kHz
 - Goal 2 x 3 cm^2 chip

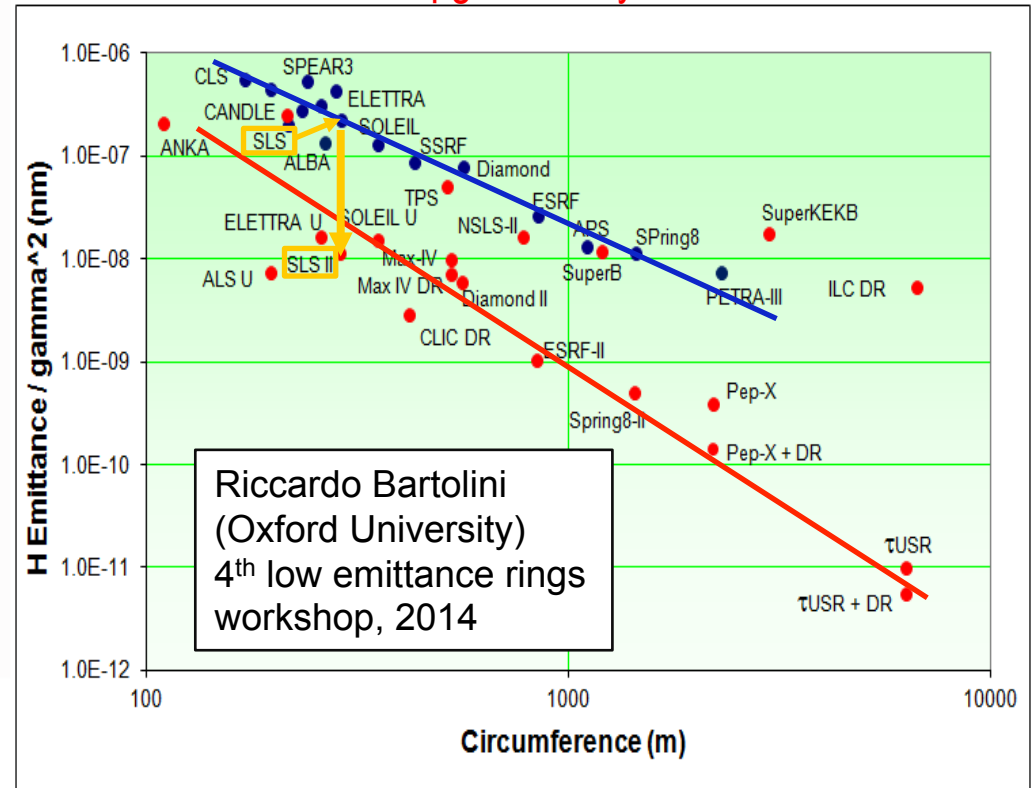


Perspective for the future accelerators

FELs are getting into operation now and plans to upgrade many synchrotrons to diffraction limited light sources:



Upgrade at synchrotrons:

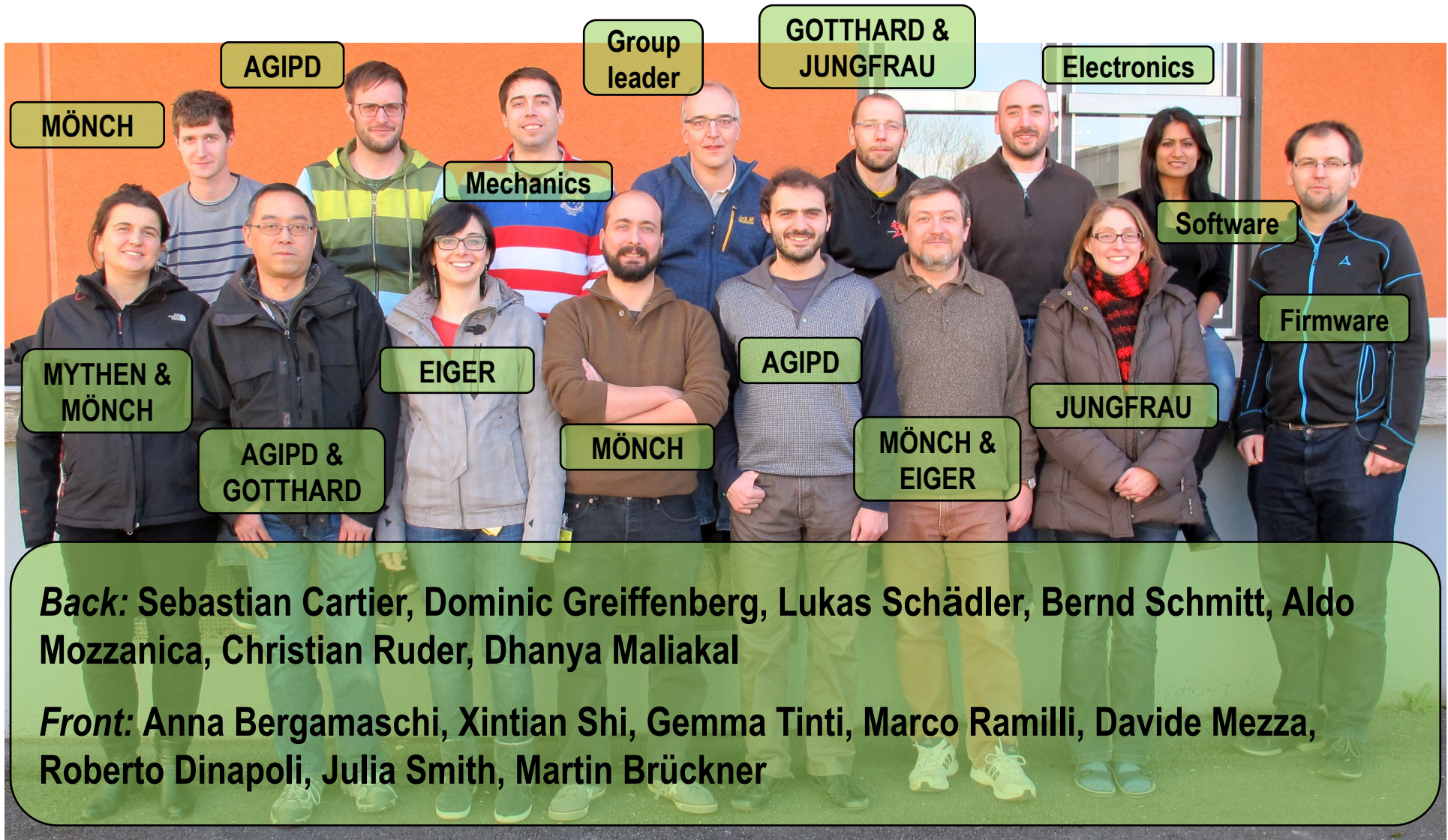


- A factor 10-100 lower horizontal emittance
- MAX IV (2015), SIRIUS (2016), ESRF-2 (2019), SLSII (>2021?) etc...

Applications like **ptychography** and **protein crystallography** are hungry for **brightness** and **coherence**

- High flux ptychography due to increased coherent flux -> **higher rate capabilities (100-1000 MHz/pixel) needed for the detector.**
- Protein crystallography beamlines will increase the flux O(10-100) by using a multilayer monochromator instead of Si monochromator to allow higher flux PX -> **higher rate capabilities needed for the detector.**
- Study of dynamics -> **deadtime free** detector operation at **very fast frame rates (50-100 kHz)**
- Angular coverage and a good spatial resolution (when increasing the detector distance from the sample) will be needed -> **large area detectors** (49 Mpixels ~ 60 x 60 cm²...).
- The coherent flux increase at some synchrotrons will be at higher photon energies -> **high quantum efficiency up to 30/40 keV**
- **Spatial resolution** is improved by **smaller pixel sizes** with interpolation of the charge shared between pixels -> replacement of CCDs with pixel detectors
- Development towards **low energies (~0.5 keV)** will be favored -> replacement of CCDs

Swiss Light Source Detector Group

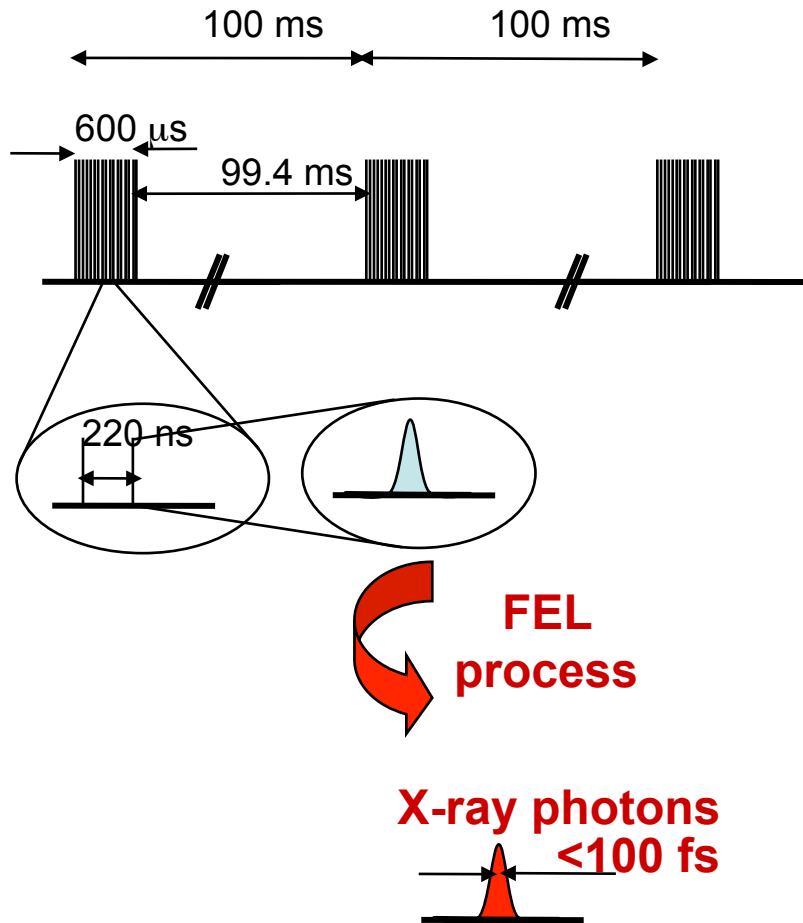


More Information.



<http://www.psi.ch/detectors/detectors-group>

The European XFEL challenge & AGIPD



27 000 bunches/s with 4.5 MHz repetition rate

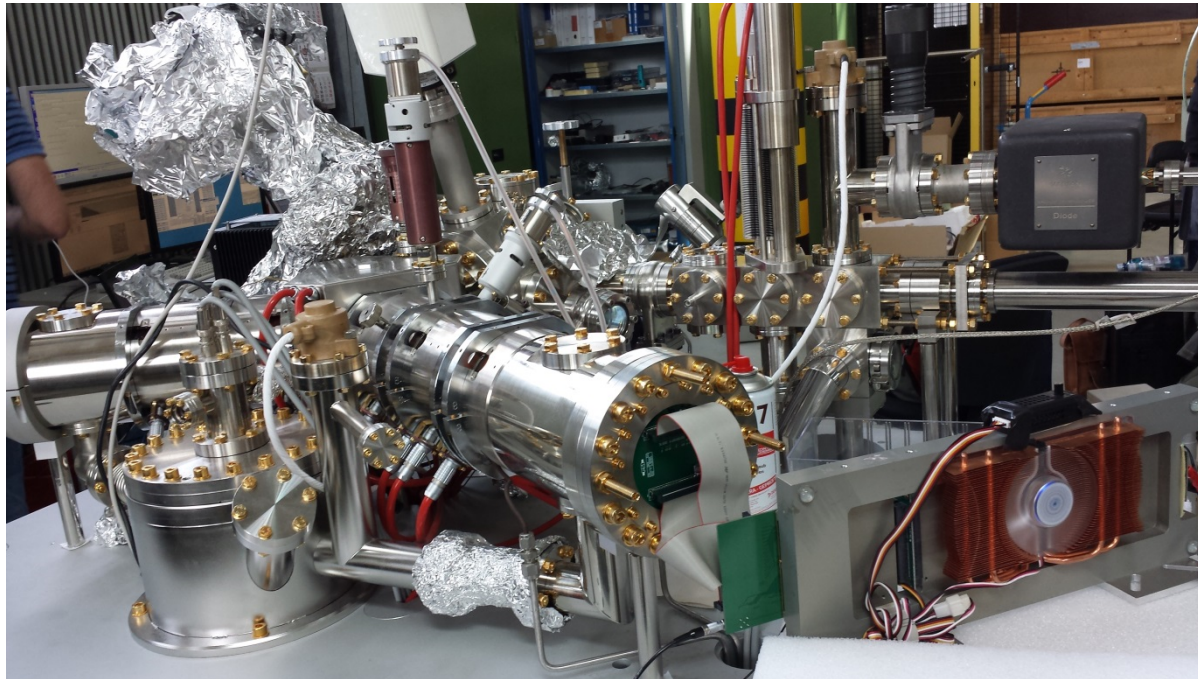
200 x 200 μ m²
pixel size



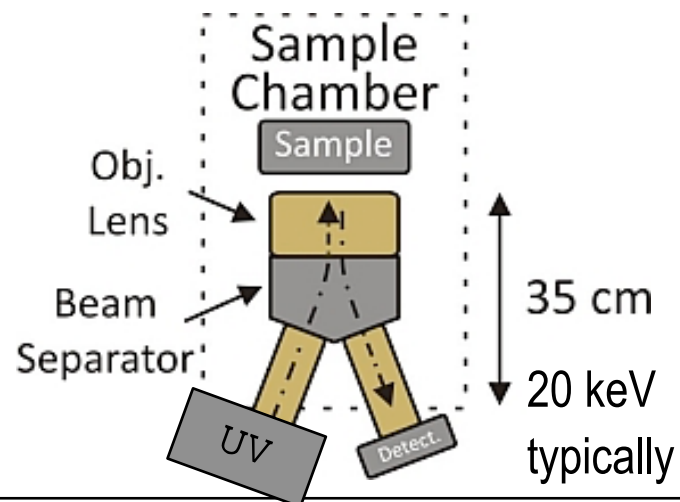
- Single photon sensitivity
- Dynamic range $>10^4$
- Low noise
- High radiation tolerance (100 MGy)
- **5 MHz frame rate:**

Storage of 352 images on pixel cells and readout in the idle time

Study of performance of EIGER as a PEEM detector

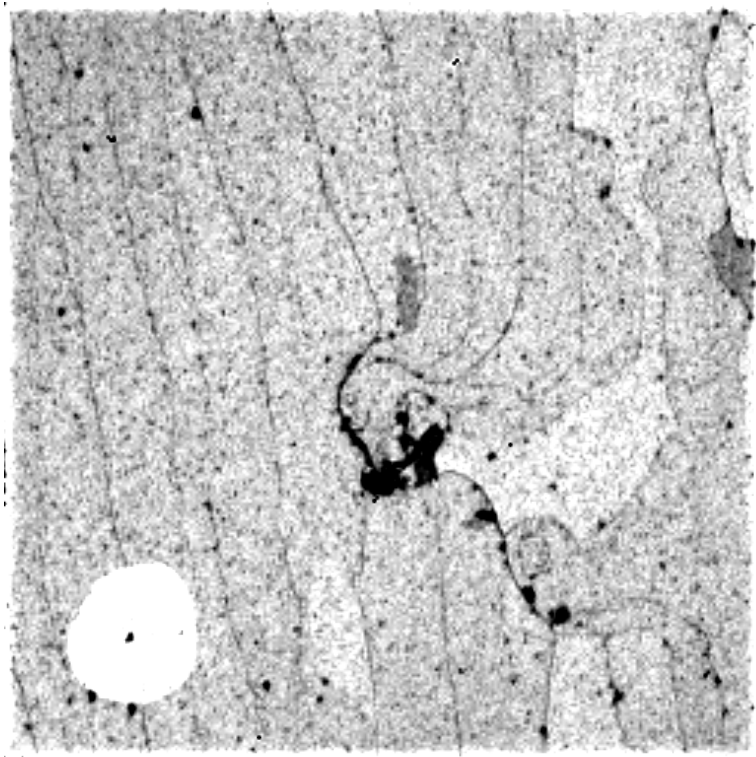


- Photo emission microscope from ELMITEC
- Feasibility studies
- Source UV lamp/ synchrotron beam
- Vacuum achieved: 5×10^{-9} mbar
- Ongoing efforts to reach 10^{-10} mbar



- Single chip: active area $1.92 \times 1.92 \text{ cm}^2$
- Round board is vacuum barrier

FoV=25 μm , 10 sec, 5 avg



Graphene/SiC

FoV=50 μm , 5 sec, 200 avg

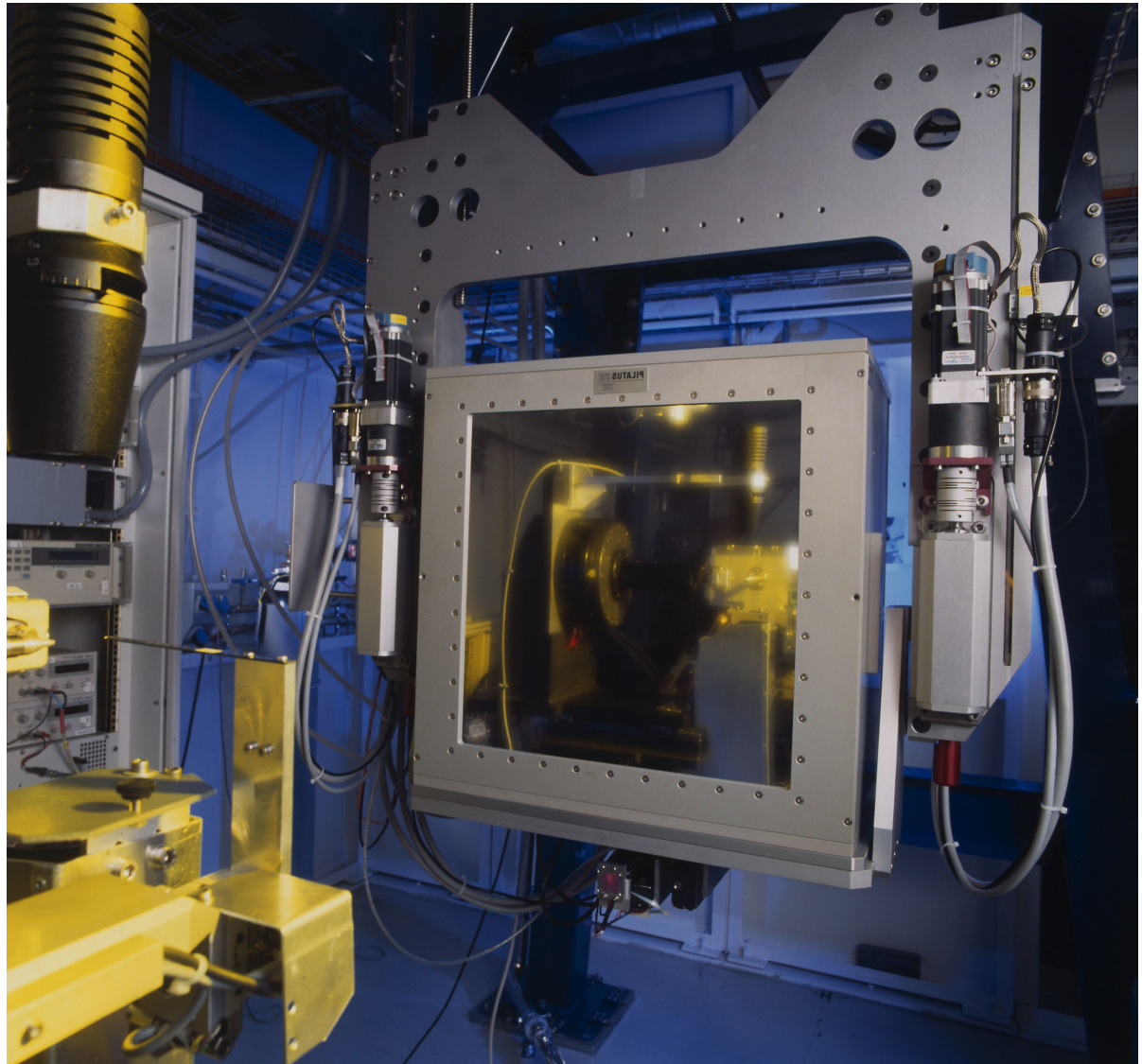


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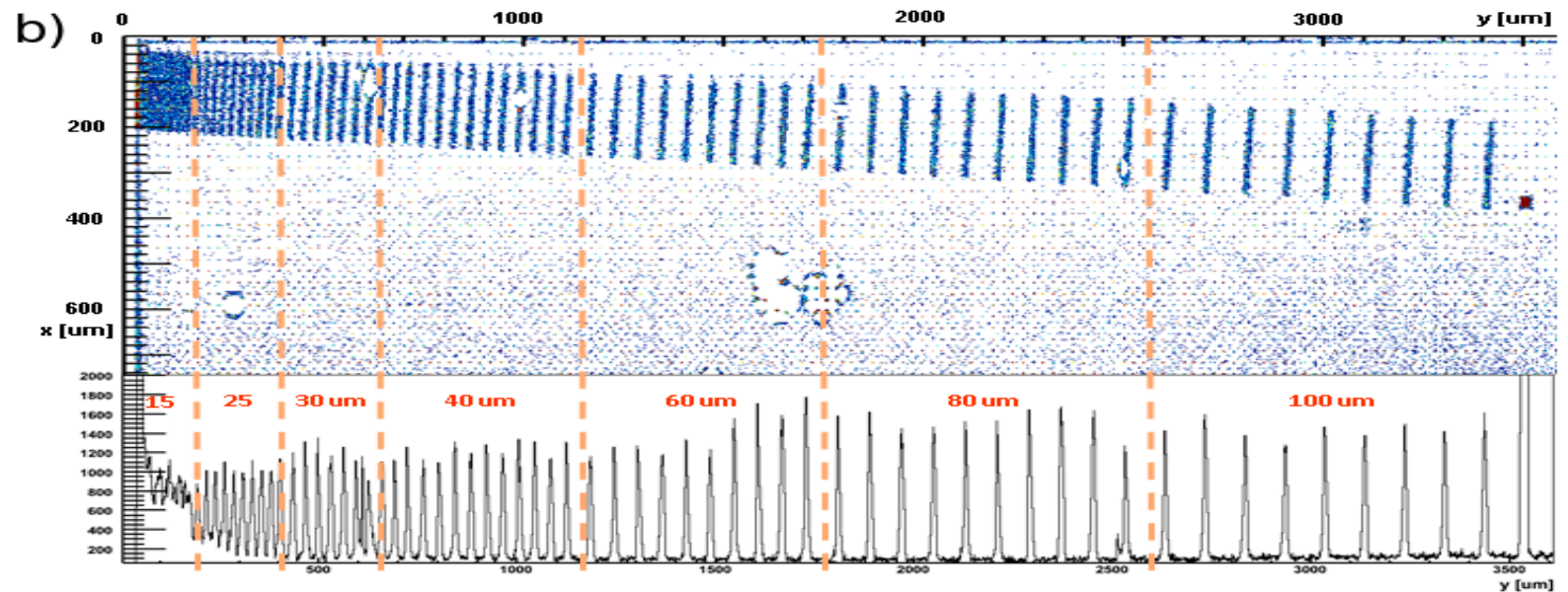
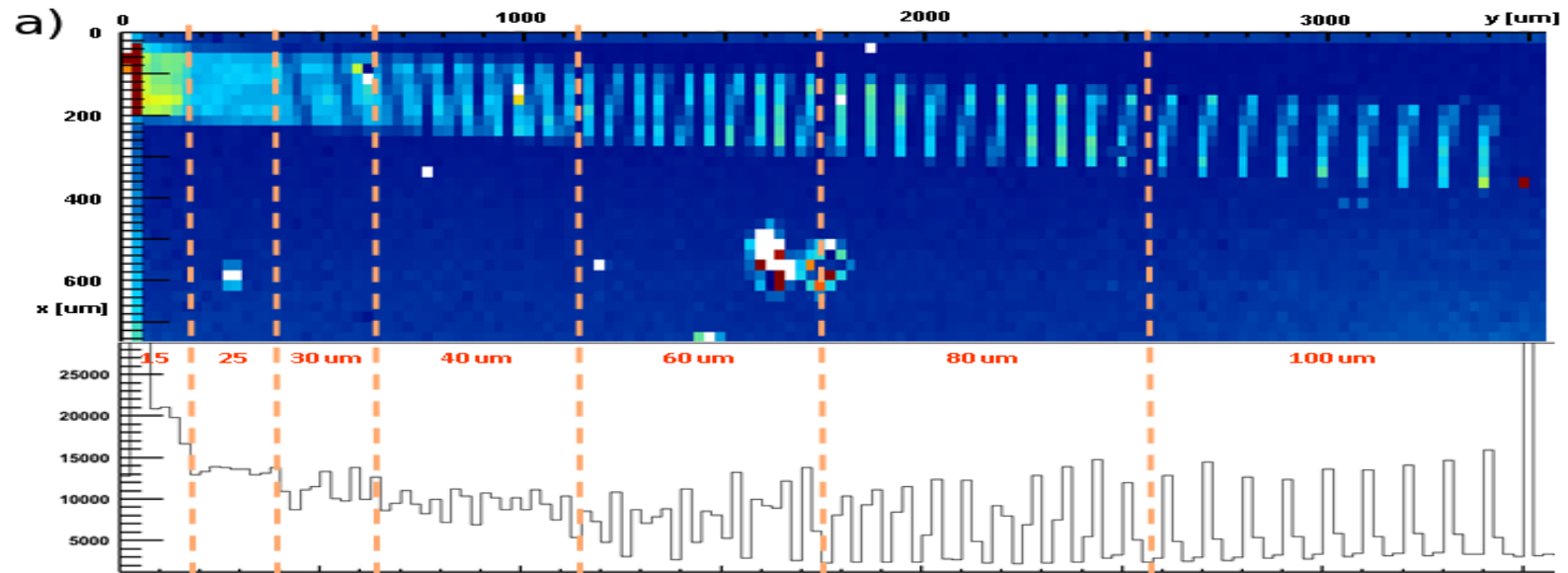
No of Modules	60, 12 x 5
Detector Size [mm]	431 x 448
Format	6'224'001 pixels
Pixel size	172 x 172 μm^2
Dynamic range/pixel	20bits
Count rate/pixel	~ 1-3 MHz
Readout time	3.5 ms
Frame rate	12.5 Hz

made continuous shutter-less
operation possible at PX

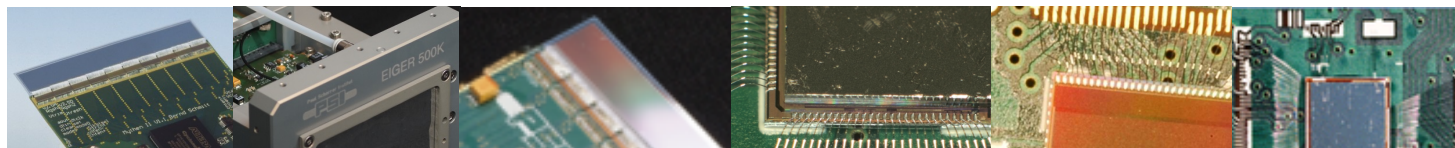
Sold and further developed
By Dectris



Small pixels: the MOENCH detector



Hybrid SLS detectors



	MYTHEN	EIGER	GOTTHARD	JUNGFRAU	MÖNCH	AGIPD
1D/2D	Strip	Pixel	Strip	Pixel	Pixel	Pixel
Working Mechanism	Photon Counting	Photon Counting	Charge Integrating	Charge Integrating	Charge Integrating	Charge Integrating
Strip/Pixel size [μm]	50	75×75	50	75×75	25×25	200×200
Maximum frame rate [kHz]	1 (4 bit)	23 (4 bit)	40	2 (14 bit)	6 (not final)	4500
Minimum Energy [keV]	5	<3.5	<3.5	2	0.4	<6
Applications	Powder diffraction, energy-dispersive spectrometers, beam position.	Ptychography, coherent imaging, protein crystallography.	@ FLASH, main energy-dispersive detector for EU-XFEL.	Spectroscopic applications, high count rate applications at XFELs & synchrotrons.	(Biological) imaging & tomography, RIXS, spectroscopy, Laue diffraction.	Development for the EU-XFEL.
Status Project	At beam lines.	Moving to beam line.	At beam lines.	Prototype.	Experimental /Prototype.	Moving to beam line.