



# The Detector Development Program for the European X-ray Free Electron Laser



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for the XFEL detector collaboration

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Aberystwyth

- Introduction to the European XFEL
- Detector requirements for EuXFEL
- XFEL detector development program
  - 2D Imaging detectors
    - ➔ Adaptive Gain Integrating Pixel Detector – AGIPD
    - ➔ DEPFET Sensor with Signal compression – DSSC
    - ➔ Large Pixel Detector – LPD
  - 1D detectors and small area 2D imaging detectors
- DAQ, data management and data processing
- Conclusions and outlook

# The European XFEL Limited Liability Company

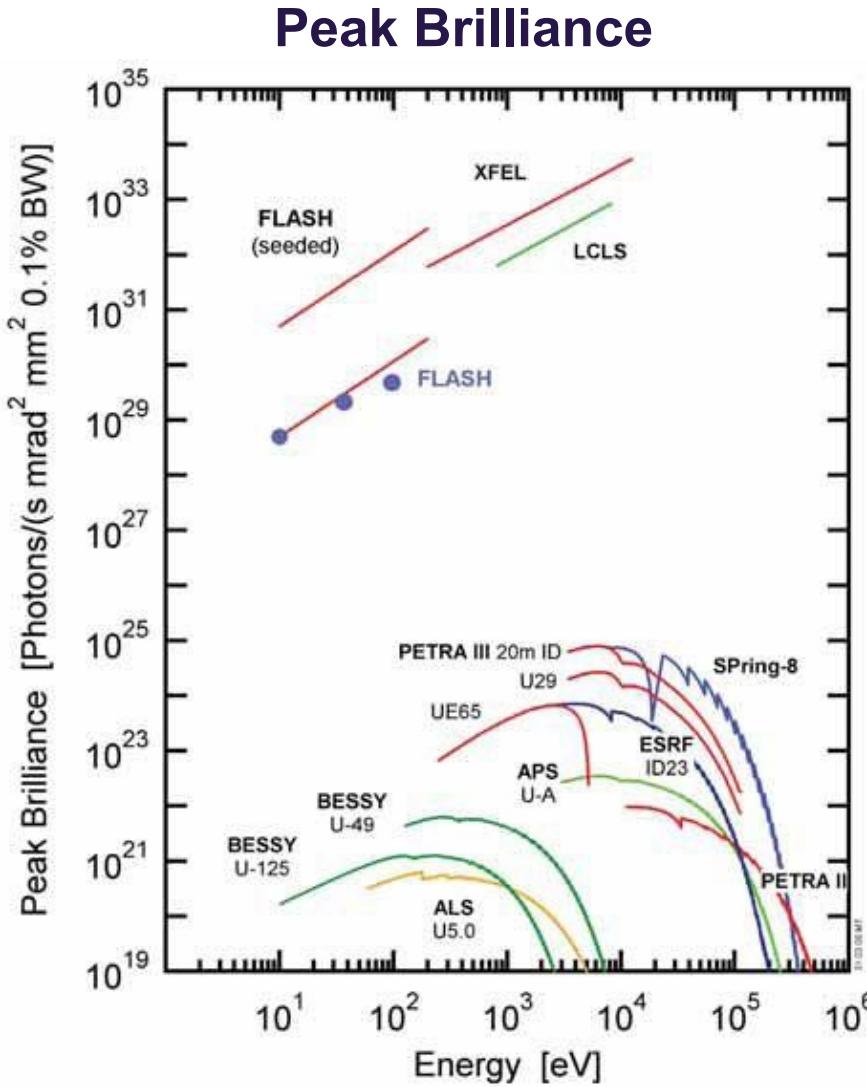
Recruitment has been making good progress,  
43% of the staff is from outside Germany



- Founding of the European XFEL GmbH  
28.09.2009
- Signature of convention  
30.11.2009
- Research institutes of different countries joined as shareholders to support construction and operation
- Responsible for construction and operation of XFEL facility
- Approx. 300 employees at operation phase
- Start of operation  
Mid 2015



# The European XFEL



## Specifications

- Photon energy 0.4 – 20 keV
  - Pulse duration < 100 fs
  - Pulse energy few mJ
  - Superconducting LINAC  
14-17.5 GeV
  - 10 Hz (2700 bunches/s)
  - 5 beamlines / 10 instruments  
(start up version 3 beamlines with 6 instruments)
  - Extensions possible:
    - Additional instruments
    - Additional beamlines
- Start of operation 2015

# XFEL Beam Line Layout

-  electron tunnel
-  photon tunnel
-  undulator
-  electron switch
-  electron bend
-  electron dump

XTD6

XSDU1

XTD1

XTD2

XS2

XS3

XTD9

XTD4

XSDU2

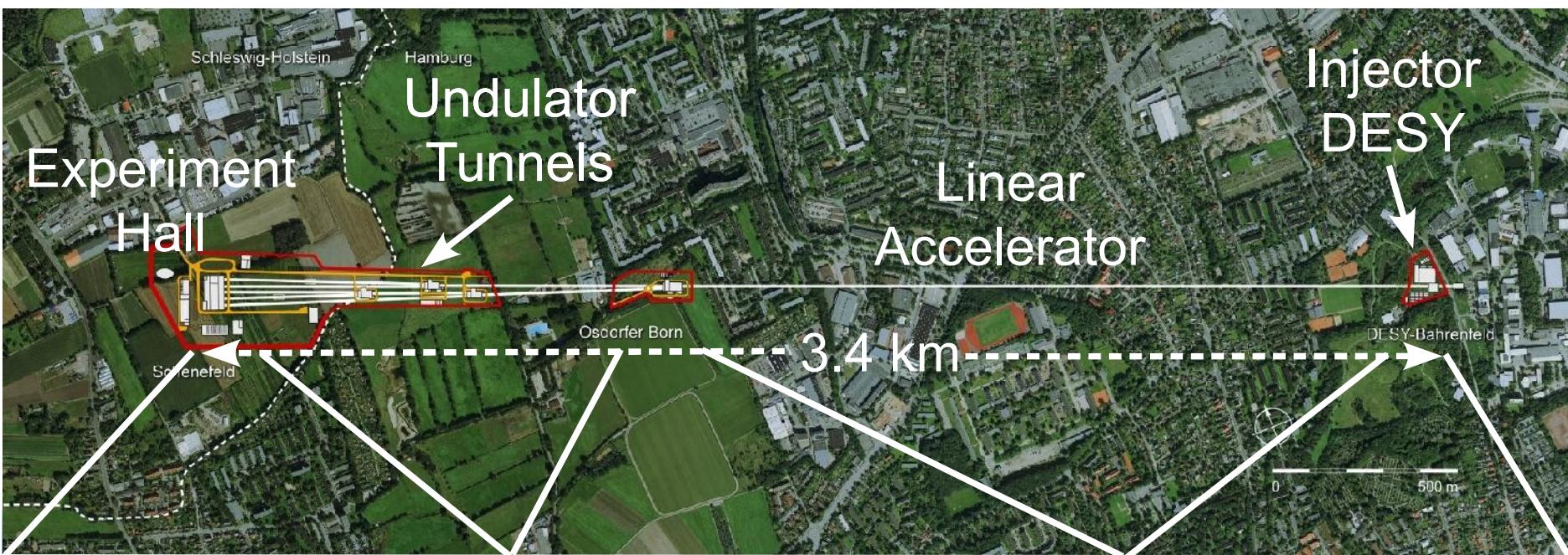
XTD10

linear accelerator  
for electrons (17.5 GeV)SASE 2  
0.1 nm – 0.4 nmSASE 1  
0.1 nmSASE 3  
0.4 nm – 1.6 nmexperiment  
stations**FXE** Femtosecond X-ray Experiments**HED** High-energy Density matter Experiments**SPB** Single Particles, clusters & Biomolecules**MID** Materials Imaging and Dynamics**SQS** Small Quantum Systems**SCS** Spectroscopy & Coherent Scattering

# The European XFEL



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# Injector Shaft – DESY Bahrenfeld May 2010



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# Experimental Hall – Schenefeld September 2011



# Accelerator Tunnel Completed – 29. July 2011

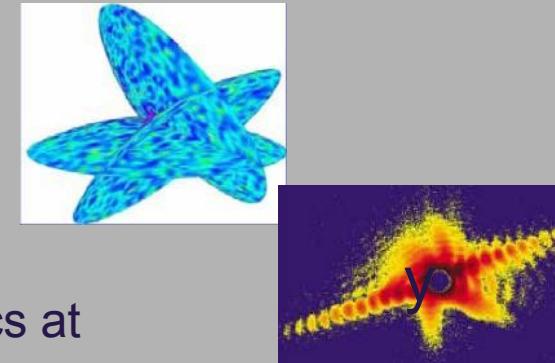


**SASE 1****High E****SASE 2****Low E**

# Scientific Instruments at XFEL.EU

## Ultrafast Coherent Diffraction Imaging of Single Particles, Clusters and Biomolecules (SPB)

Structure determination of single particles: atoms, clusters, bio-molecules, viruses, and cells



## Materials Imaging & Dynamics (MID)

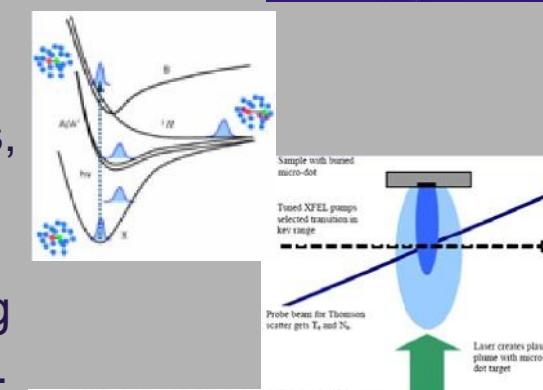
Structure determination of nano-devices and dynamics at the nanoscale

## Femtosecond X-ray Experiments (FXE)

Time-resolved investigations of the dynamics of solids, liquids and gases.

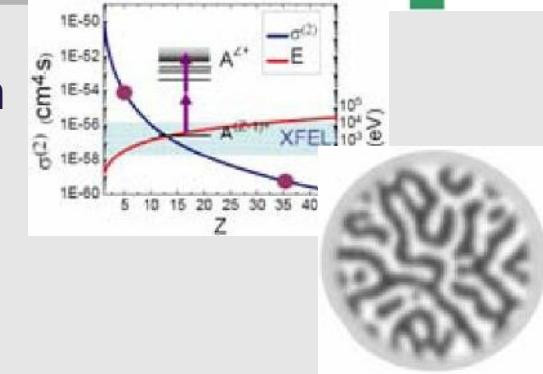
## High Energy Density Matter (HED)

Investigation of matter under extreme conditions using hard X-ray FEL radiation, e.g. probing dense plasmas.



## Small Quantum Systems (SQS)

Investigation of atoms, ions, molecules and clusters in intense fields and non-linear phenomena.



## Spectroscopy and Coherent Scattering (SCS)

Structure and dynamics of nano-systems and of non-reproducible biological objects

# XFEL Photon Energy Ranges

Carbon K-edge:

284 eV

Nitrogen K-edge:

410 eV

Oxygen K-edge:

543 eV

SASE 3

$0.45 \rightarrow 2 \text{ keV}$

17.5 GeV

14.0 GeV

10.5 GeV

$0.73 \rightarrow >3 \text{ keV}$

$0.47 \rightarrow \approx 3 \text{ keV}$

$0.26 \rightarrow \approx 2 \text{ keV}$

Noise limitations  
(single photon counting)

Design of the sensor entrance window  
→ QE

Design of the experiment station  
→ vacuum operation mandatory

12.4

20 keV

SASE 1/2

$5 \rightarrow 20 \text{ keV}$

$6.4 \rightarrow >25 \text{ keV}$

$4.1 \rightarrow >20 \text{ keV}$

$2.3 \rightarrow >15 \text{ keV}$

Radiation damage effects become  
more important

Limitations of Si as sensor material  
→ low QE

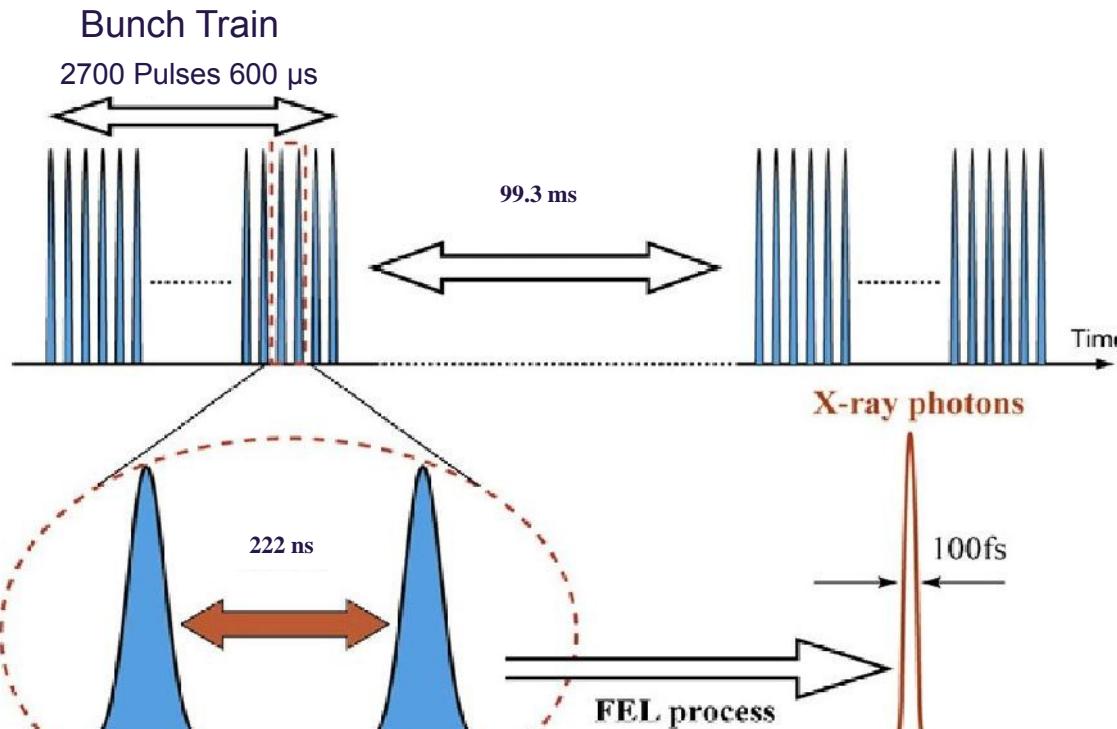
200 eV

1 keV

Energy [keV]

10 keV

# XFEL Time Structure



- High repetition rate of up to 27000 pulses/s
- Ultra short pulses < 100 fs
- High peak intensities (up to  $10^{12}$  photons per bunch)
- Approx. 1300 pulses per bunch for SASE2 and SASE1/3
- Different pulse patterns can be realized
  - 1 bunch per train
  - n bunches per train
  - (linear/log/random spacing)

**Unique feature of XFEL !**

# XFEL High Repetition Rate Challenges



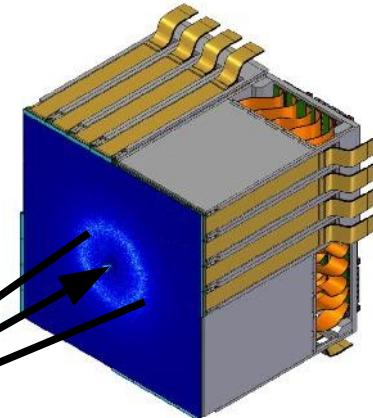
## Photon Diagnostics

- On-line & single-shot
- Match repetition rate

Diagnostics Group  
J. Grünert

## Sample Delivery

- Match repetition rate
- Positioning



## X-ray Optics

- Withstand repetition rate
- Exhibit high accuracy

Optics group H. Sinn

$600 \mu\text{s}$

$99.4 \text{ ms}$

## Optical Laser

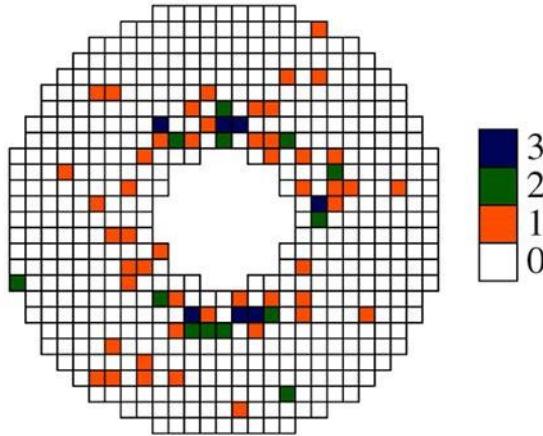
- Match repetition rate
- Provide  $\sim\text{mJ}$  excitation energy

Laser Group M. Lederer

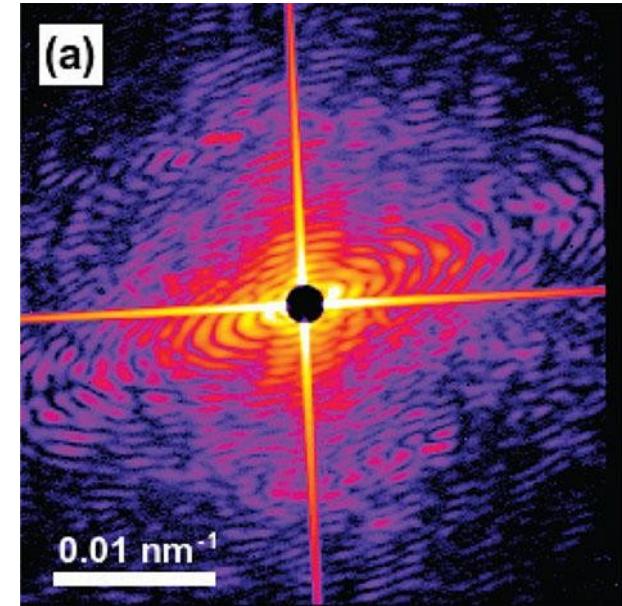
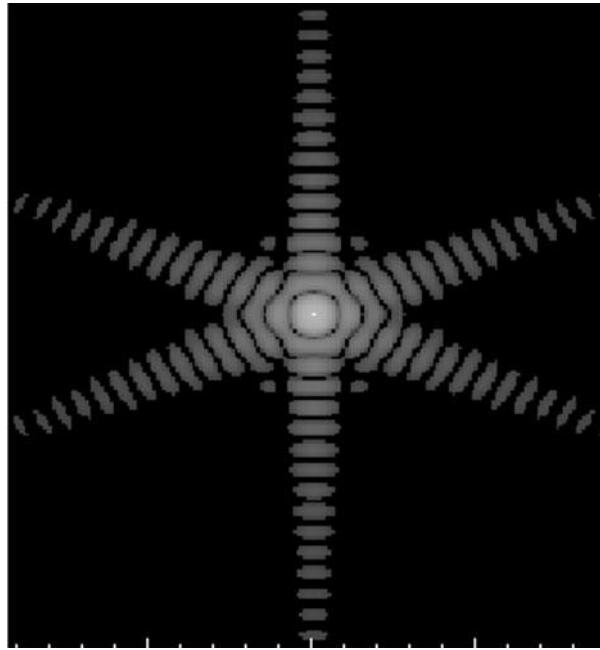
## Detectors

- Match repetition rate
- Provide spatial resolution
- Withstand dose
- Data processing, management and storage
- Vetoing capabilities

# Coherent Diffraction Experiments (SPB case)



N.D. Loh and V. Elser et al. Phys. Rev. E 80 (2009)



M.P. Mancuso et al. New J. Phys. 12 (2010)

## Single Particle

- Single photon counting capability
- Low noise and background

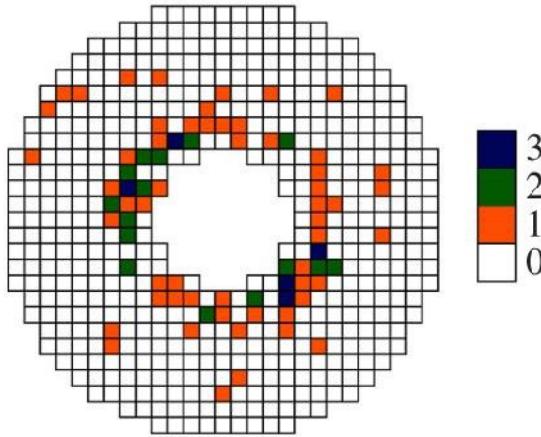
## Nano-Chrystals

- Large dynamic range
- Radiation hardness
- Position resolution
- Single photon counting

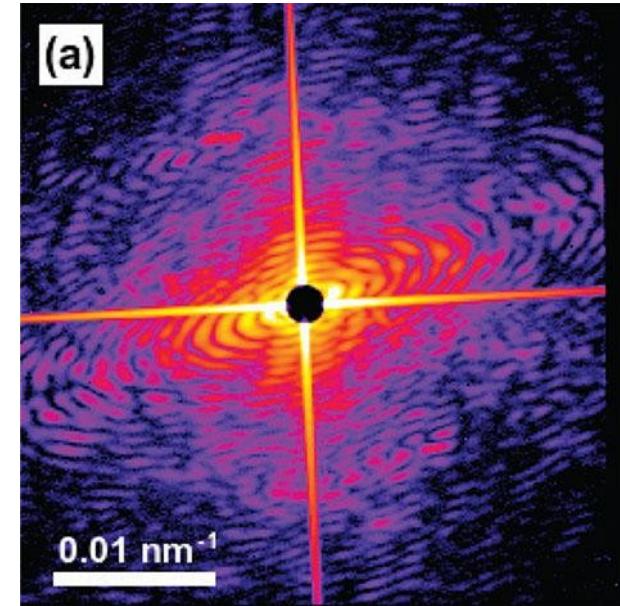
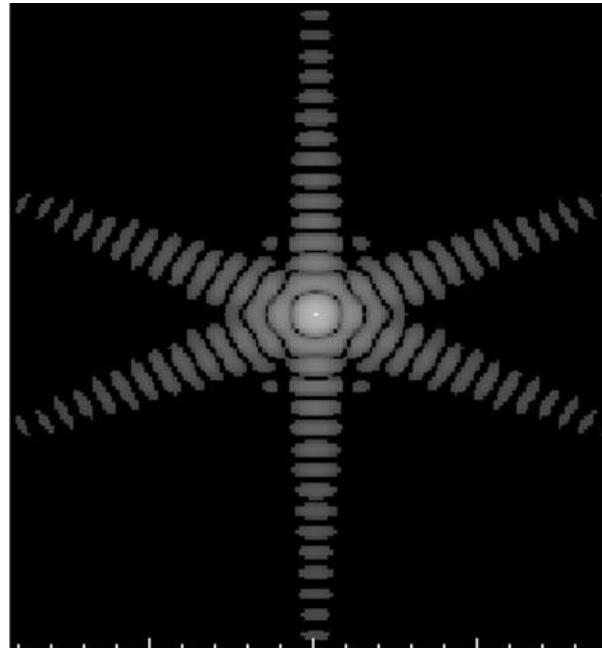
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- Large area
- Position resolution
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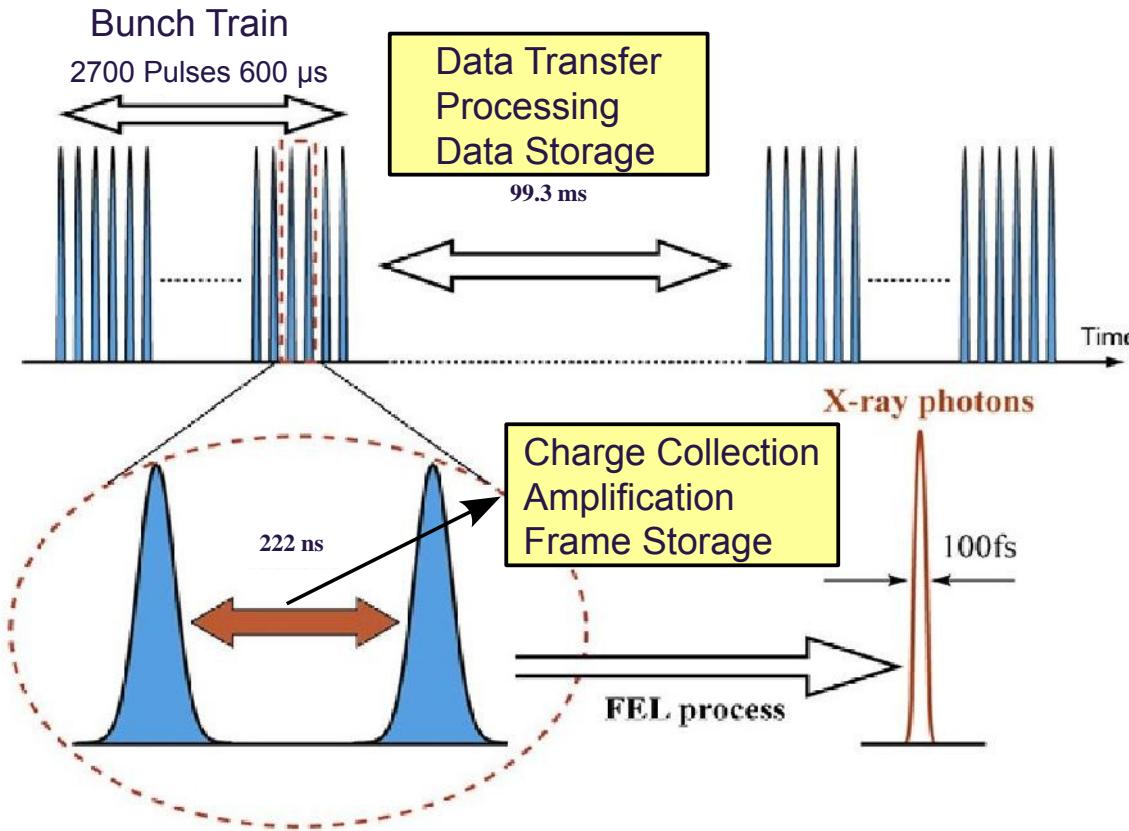
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# XFEL Time Structure – Read Out Concept



- High repetition rate of up to 27000 pulses/s
- Ultra fast read out and processing of the signal
- Charge settling 60-80 ns
- Charge clearing 60-80 ns
- 40-80 ns left for read-out
- High peak intensities (up to  $10^{12}$  photons per bunch)
- Pulse to pulse variation
- Pulse sequence configurable

- Single shot imaging storage capability on sensor ideally 2700 images/train
- Data transfer and processing during bunch train gap of 99.3 ms

**Requires optimized front end electronics + on pixel storage capacity!**

# 2D Imaging Detector Requirements

## XFEL Pulse Structure

Single shot imaging  
(recording 100 fs, read out 200 ns)  
Frame storage of complete bunch train (2700 pulses)

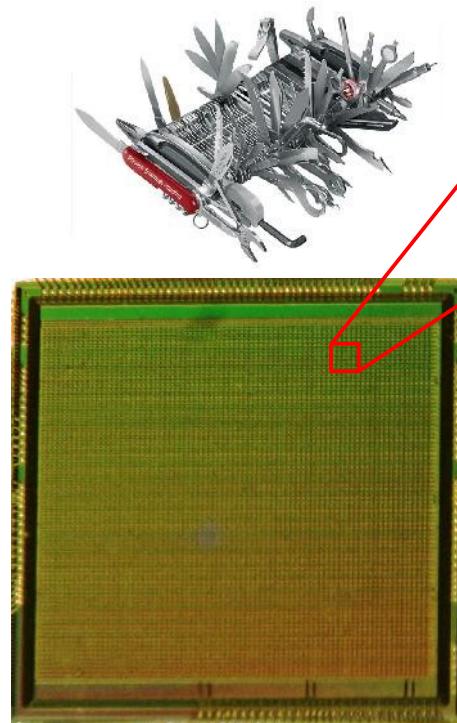
## Dynamic Range

Single photon counting  
(high angle/single particle scattering)  
Integration of up to  $10^4$  ph/pixel/pulse

High accuracy at low intensity  
Low accuracy at high intensity  
→ different optimization of different E ranges

## Sensitive Energy Range

0.25 (SCS, SQS) – 25 keV (MID, HED)  
Ideally with the same system  
Vacuum and ambient pressure operation  
Optimized entrance window for low E



## Angular Resolution

7 mrad for FDE experiments  
(worst case at 10 cm distance)  
4 rad for XPCS  
Pixel size: 700 μm to 16 μm  
(XPCS at 4 m distance)

## Angular Coverage/ Sensor Size

Diffraction experiments require a resolution of 0.1 nm  
scattering angles of 60° (120°)  
(FXE, CDI, and SPB)  
multiple detector segments

## Radiation Hardness

Integrated energy dose over 3 years operation

**10 MGy - 1 GGy**

Damage effects depend on energy range!

Graafsma JINST 4 (2009) pp. 12011

## Main Scientific Applications

MID, XPCS, FXE, SPB and SQS

Match the environmental conditions of the experiment stations

# Call for Interest 2006

- Call for interest for 2D large area pixel detectors
  - 30. September 2006
- Received 6 proposals from different consortia, based on different technologies
- 3 consortia were selected and asked to prepare a full proposal
- 3 projects entered first R&D phase

AGIPD

LPD

DSSC

- Transition to go to production phase will be decided this year

**European XFEL Project Team**  
c/o Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron DESY  
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Notkestraße 85,  
D-22607 Hamburg, Germany



**XFEL**  
X-Ray Free-Electron Laser

Call by the:

**European Project Team for the  
X-ray Free-Electron Laser**

for:

**Expressions of Interest**

to:

**Develop and Deliver  
Large Area Pixellated X-ray  
Detectors.**

**Deadline: 30 September 2006**  
<http://xfel.desy.de/xfelhomepage>

# XFEL 2D Imaging Detector Collaboration

## AGIPD Adaptive Gain Integrating Pixel Detector Consortium (AGIPD)

Project Leader:

H. Graafsma, DESY

- PSI/SLS Villingen
- Universität Bonn
- Universität Hamburg
- DESY

## Radiation Damage Studies

Project Leader:

**Project Finished**

R. Klanner, Universität Hamburg

## Charge Cloud Studies

**Project Finished**

Project Leader:

K. Gärtner, Weierstrass Institut Berlin

## Large Pixel Detector Consortium (LPD)

Project Leader:

M. French, RAL/STFC

- Rutherford Appleton Laboratory/STFC
- University of Glasgow

## DEPFET Sensor with Signal Compression Consortium (DSSC)

Project Leader:

M. Porro, Politecnico di Milano

- Max-Planck Halbleiterlabor Munich
- Universität Heidelberg
- Universität Siegen
- Politecnico di Milano
- Università di Bergamo
- DESY Hamburg

# Radiation Damage

## Problem

- We expect intensities of  $> 10^4$  photons/pulse/pixel
- Intensity distribution across sensor depends on application

- e.g.  
terin  
→ ir

Joern Schwandt, University of Hamburg

- Assum
- Share
- Data ta

→ 1250 hours/year  
→  $10^{16}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> absorbed photons in 3 years or **1 GGy (worst case)**  
(12 keV 500 μm sensor)

## Consequences

- Radiation hard sensor and ASIC design is mandatory  
→ e.g. larger structures

*(contradicts small pixel size)*

pro-  
tion

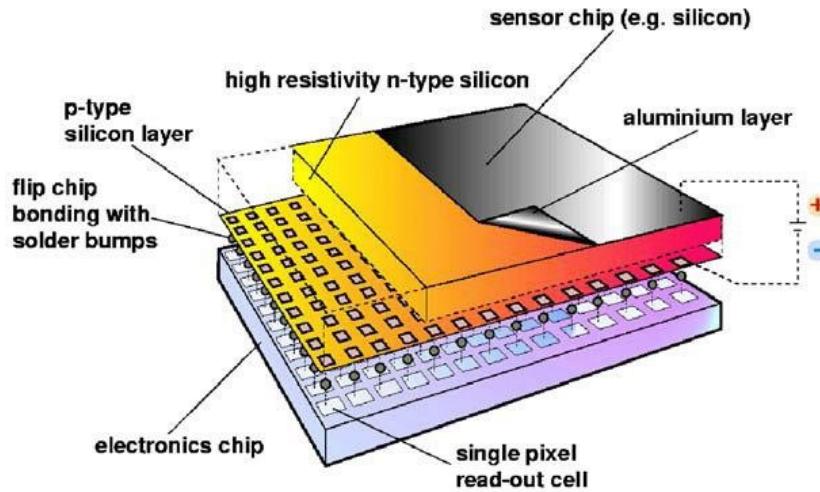
Optimization of Silicon Pixel Sensors  
for the high X-ray Doses of the European XFEL

Project Leader:

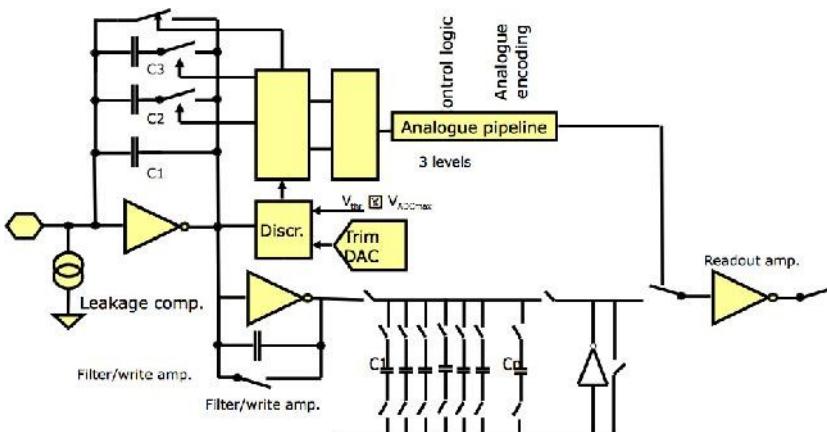
R. Klanner, Universität Hamburg  
Irradiation tests + simulations  
→ feedback for designers

# AGIPD - Adaptive Gain Integrating Pixel Detector

## Hybrid Technology



## AGIPD Pixel ASIC



## Key Detector Parameters

- Energy range  
3 – 13 keV
- Dynamic range/pixel/pulse  
 $10^4$  @ 12 keV
- Single photon sensitivity  
 $5 \sigma$  @ 12 keV
- Number of storage cells 250-300
- 200  $\mu\text{m}$  x 200  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel size

## Front End ASIC

- Wide dynamic input range
- 3 fold switchable dynamic gain
- Analog and ana. encoded pipeline

# AGIPD Status

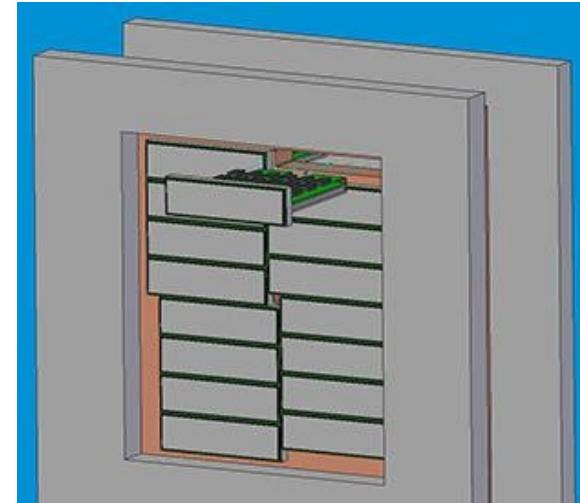
## More about AGIPD

Julian Becker, DESY

AGIPD, the Adaptive Gain Integrating Pixel Detector:  
A 4.5 MHz camera for the European XFEL

- Go/No-Go evaluation: **Go**
- Full system expected for commissioning end of 2013

## AGIPD 1Mpix Module



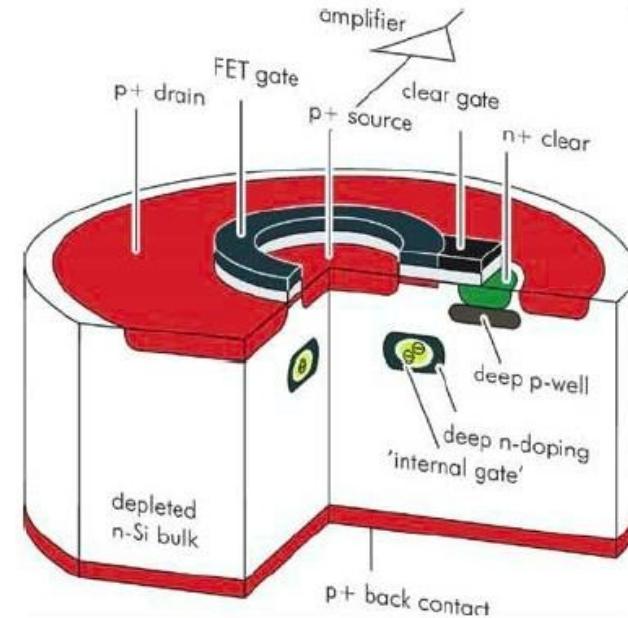
### Radiation Damage

- Noise and gain tested to 1MGy  
→ within specs
- Pre-amp successfully tested to 10 MGy
- Radiation damage studies ongoing

# DSSC - DEPFET Sensor with Signal Compression

## Pixel Cell

- DEPFET combined with Silicon drift detector
  - scalable pixel size
- Low noise
  - Good energy response down to 500 eV



## Pixel Geometry

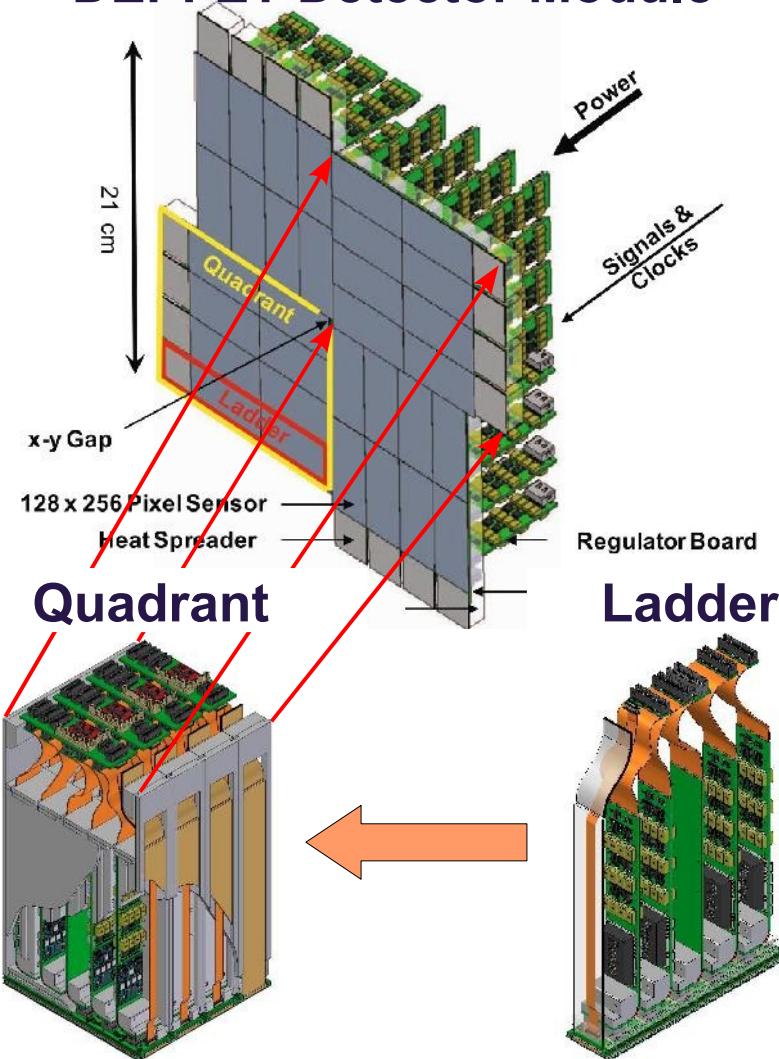


Porro et al. NIM A (2010) vol. 624 pp. 509

- Hexagonal pixels
  - more homogeneous drift field
  - minimize charge collection time
  - less charge sharing (split events)
- Per pixel ADC/digital storage pipeline
  - no charge leakage
- 576 9 bit SRAM storage cells per pixel

# DSSC 1 MPixel Detector Module

## DEPFET Detector Module

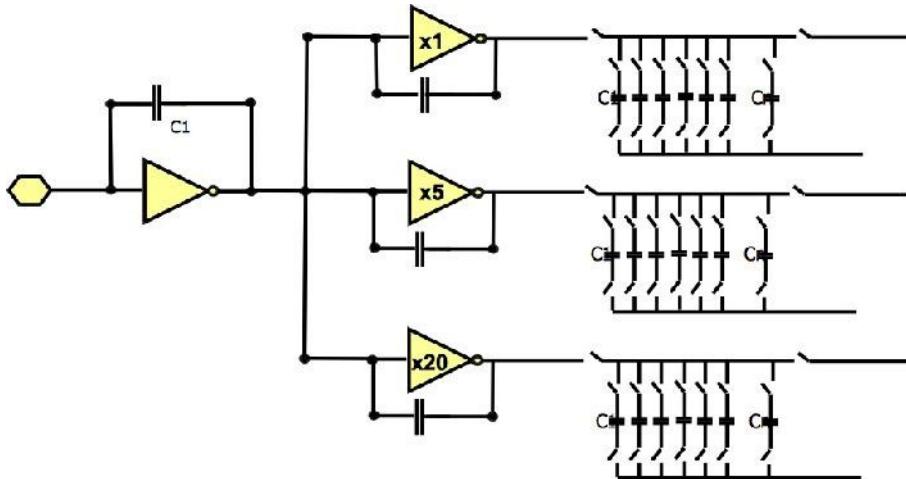


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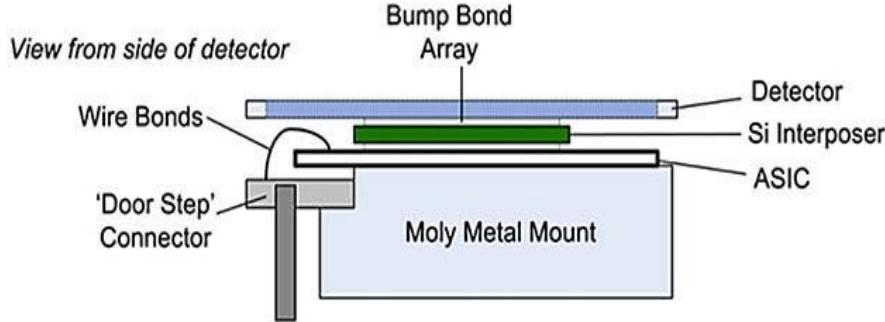
- Goal: Single photon sensitivity  
5  $\sigma$  @ 1 keV and 4.5 MHz
- Energy range  
0.5 – 25 keV  
(0.5 – 4 keV optimized for)
- Dynamic range  
> 6000 photons/pixel/pulse @ 1 keV
- Single photon sensitivity  
5  $\sigma$  @ 1 keV (5 MHz)  
5  $\sigma$  @ 0.5 keV ( 2.5 MHz)
- Number of storage cells 576
- Smallest detector unit “ladder”  
128 x 512 pixels
- 4 ladders built on quadrant
- 4 quadrants = 1k x 1k detector

# LPD - Large Pixel Detector

## LPD Pixel Cell



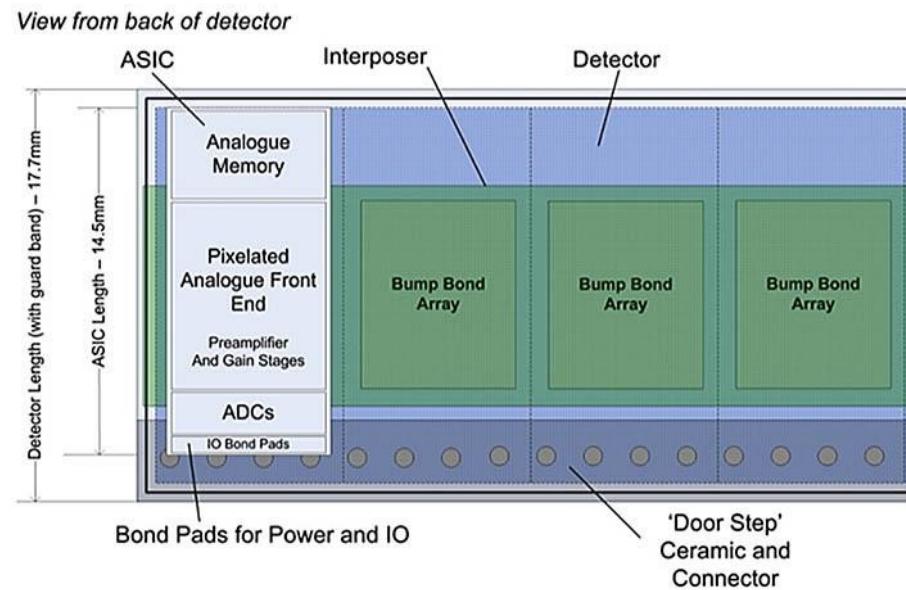
## LPD ASIC and Sensor



Provided by the LPD consortium

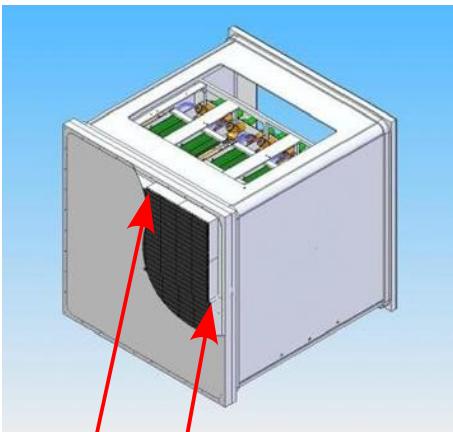
## Front End ASIC

- 3 fold multi-gain concept and analog storage pipeline
- 512 channels per ASIC
- 16x 12 bit on chip ADC
- Design IBM 130 nm technology



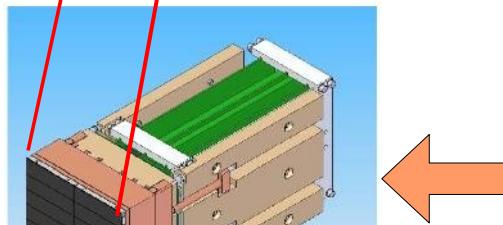
# LPD – 1 Mpix Detector Module

## LPD Detector Module



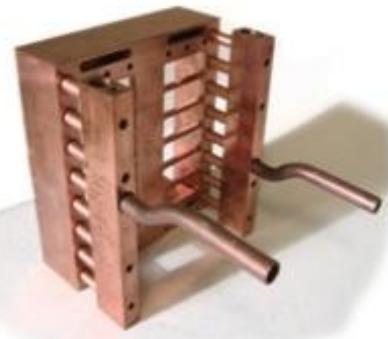
2048 Chips, 1 048 576 pixels  
Scale = 12.8 cm

## Super Module

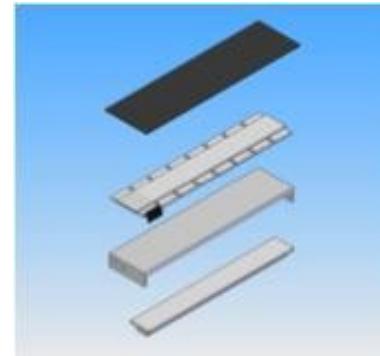


128 Chips, 65 536 pixels  
Scale = 12.8 cm

## Cooling



## Sensor Tile

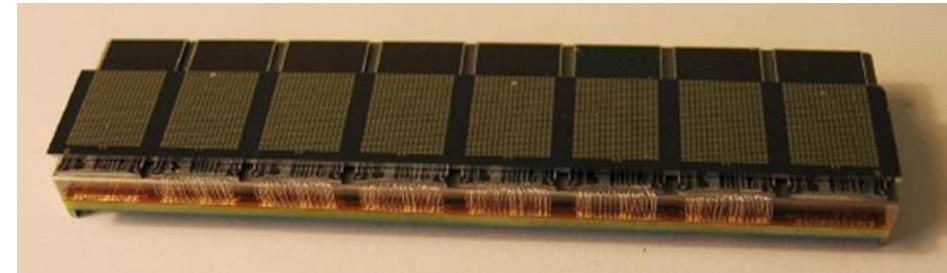


8 Chips, 4 096 pixels  
Scale = 6.4 cm

## Key Detector Parameters

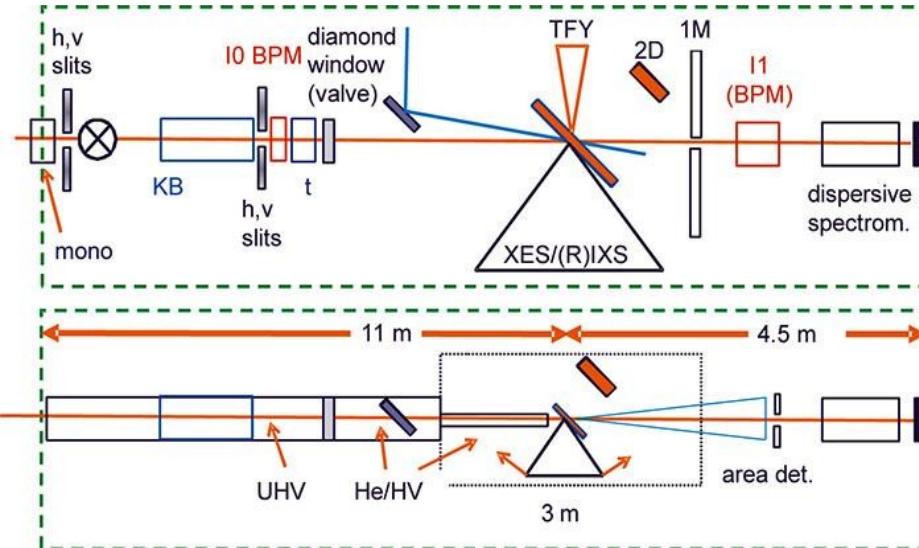
- Energy range  
1 – 24 keV
- Dynamic range  
1 –  $10^5$  photons/pixel/pulse
- Single photon sensitivity  
Yes
- Pixel size  
500  $\mu\text{m}$  x 500  $\mu\text{m}$
- Number of storage cells 512

## ASIC Module



# FXE/SQS - Detector Requirements

## Femtosecond X-ray Experiment



## Experimental Techniques

- X-ray emission spectroscopy
- X-ray absorption spectroscopy
- X-ray diffraction (SAX, WAX, Bragg)
- eTOF, iTOF, VMI, ...

## Status

- Conceptual design of SQS and FXE end-stations have been finished April 2011
  - Detector requirements for SQS/FXE stations have been defined
  - Technical designs ready till 2012
  - Conceptual design reports for SPB and MID are in progress
- deadline September 2011
- XFEL detector R&D road map in preparation
    - technology review
    - definition of next R&D projects

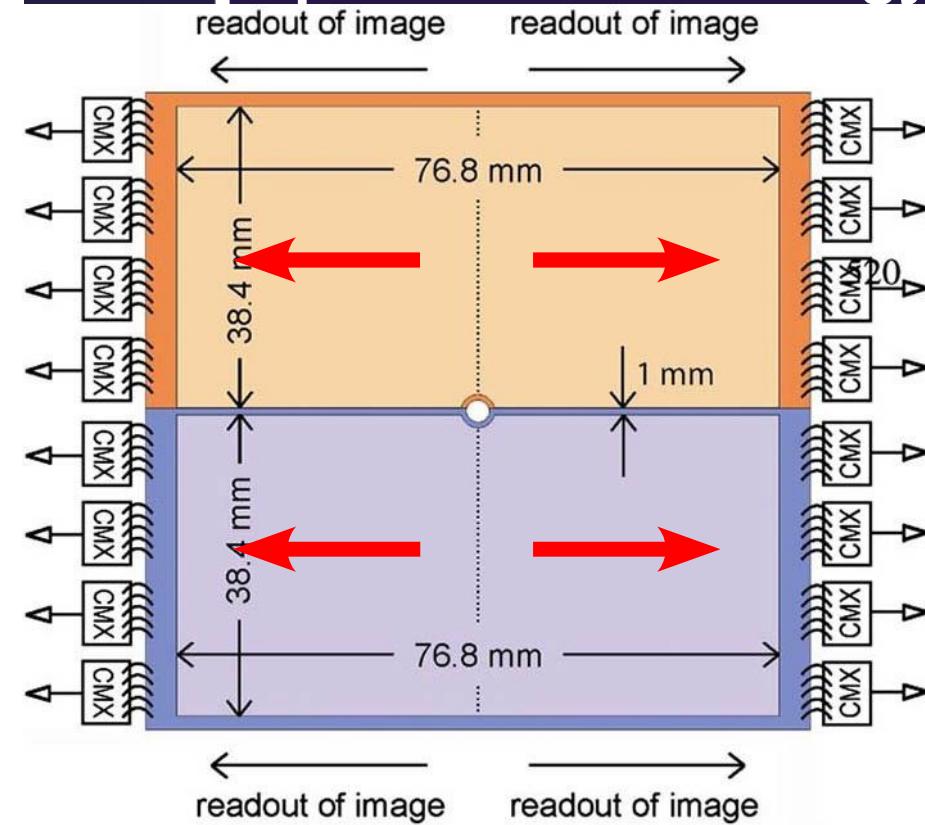
C. Bressler et al. XFEL.EU TN-2011-05

# FXE Detector Requirements

| Parameter             | Diffuse Scattering          | XES Analyzer                                   | Solid State Bragg           | Time Domain Monitor         |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Technology            | 2D Pixel                    | 2D Pixel/1D Strip                              | 2D                          | 2D                          |
| Energy Range          | 3-20 keV                    | 3-20 keV                                       | 3-20 keV                    | UV/Vis                      |
| Energy Resolution     | No                          | 200 eV @ 7 keV<br>(single photon counting)     | No                          | No                          |
| Frame Rate            | 4.5 MHz                     | 4.5 MHz  | 4.5 MHz                     | 4.5 MHz                     |
| Pixel Size/Strip Size | < 500 x 500 $\mu\text{m}^2$ | 100 x 100 $\mu\text{m}^2$<br>100 $\mu\text{m}$ | 100 x 100 $\mu\text{m}^2$   | < 100 x 100 $\mu\text{m}^2$ |
| Sensitive Area        | 22 x 22 $\text{cm}^2$       | 2 x 6 $\text{cm}^2$                            | up to 10 x 10 $\text{cm}^2$ | 1 x 1 $\text{cm}^2$         |
| # Pixels              | 1k x 1k                     | 200 x 600                                      | $\geq$ 200 x 600            | 100 x 100                   |
| Sensor Material       | Si                          | Si   | Si                          | Si                          |
| Sensor Thickness      | 500 $\mu\text{m}$           | 500 $\mu\text{m}$                              | 500 $\mu\text{m}$           | N/A                         |

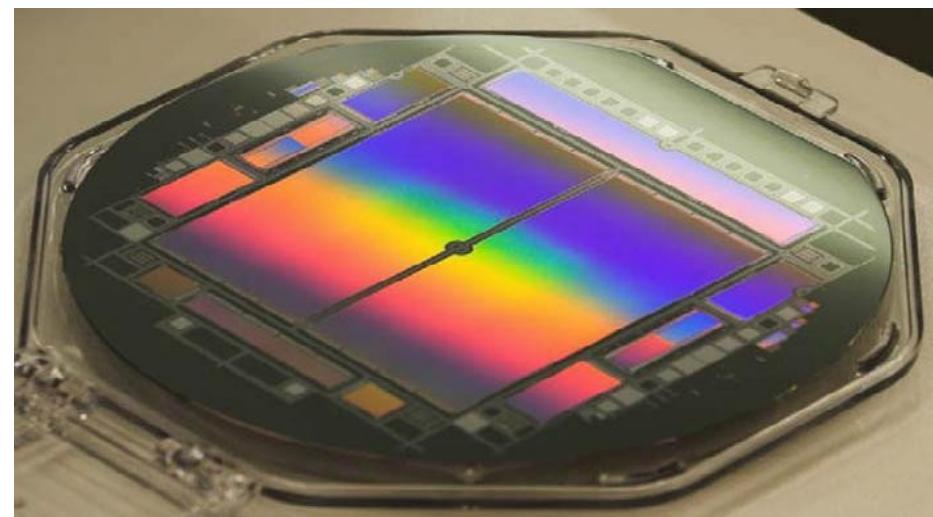
Additional information is available online at  
[http://www.xfel.eu/documents/technical\\_documents/](http://www.xfel.eu/documents/technical_documents/)

# Option for Low Energy/Low Rep. Rate



## Read Out Concept

- 1 or 2 Mpix device
- Pixel size 75  $\mu\text{m} \times 75 \mu\text{m}$
- Max. frame rate up to 200 Hz
- Highly parallelized read out
- Low noise 2 e<sup>-</sup> high gain/20 e<sup>-</sup> low gain



## On Chip Amplifier

- Pre-amplification, multiplexing, line driving, signal filtering
- 16x 14 bit ADCs, 10 MHz

Strüder et al. NIM A 614 (2010) 483

# DAQ – Data Management – Data Analysis

## (WP-76 C. Youngman, K. Wrona)



### Data Volume

- Data rate 2D imaging detectors
  - average 13 GB/s peak up to 30 GB/s
  - >10 PB/year storage capacity



### Data Handling

- Data processing and reduction on site (online/off line)
- Efficient data reduction concepts required (vetoing, compression)
- Provide storage infrastructure with optimized access

### Data Analysis

- Centralized on-site data analysis framework (scalable, modular, expandable)

# DAQ Architecture (C. Youngman WP-76)

## EuXFEL Readout Architecture

Frame size

2 MB

few kB

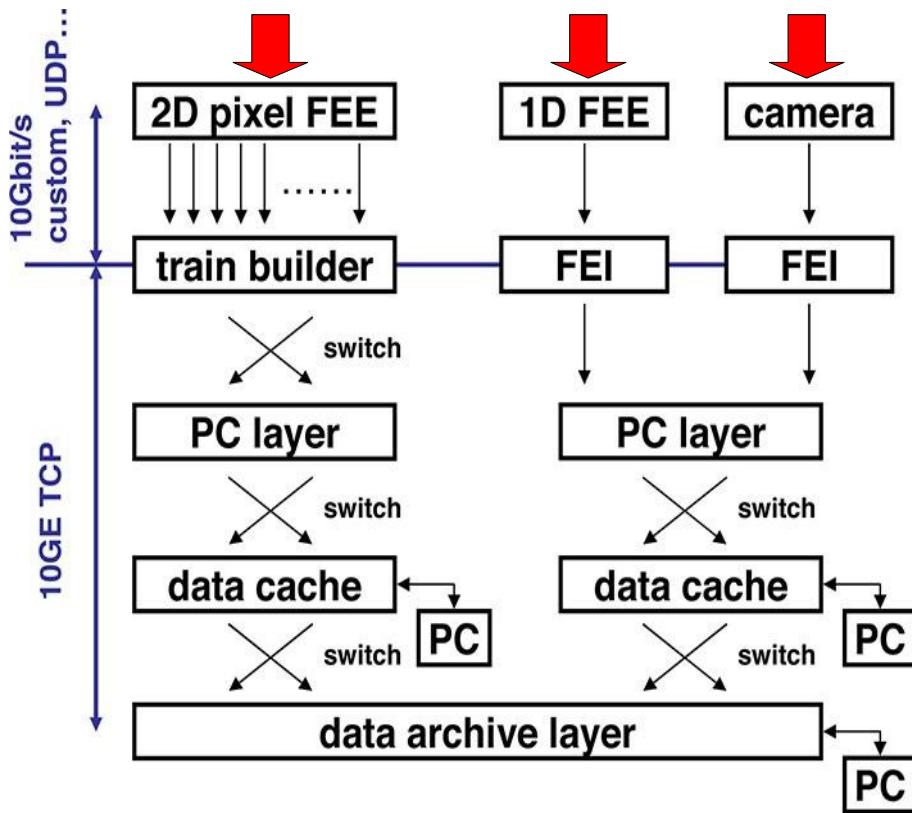
2 MB

Typical throughput

10 GB/s

50 MB/s

20 MB/s



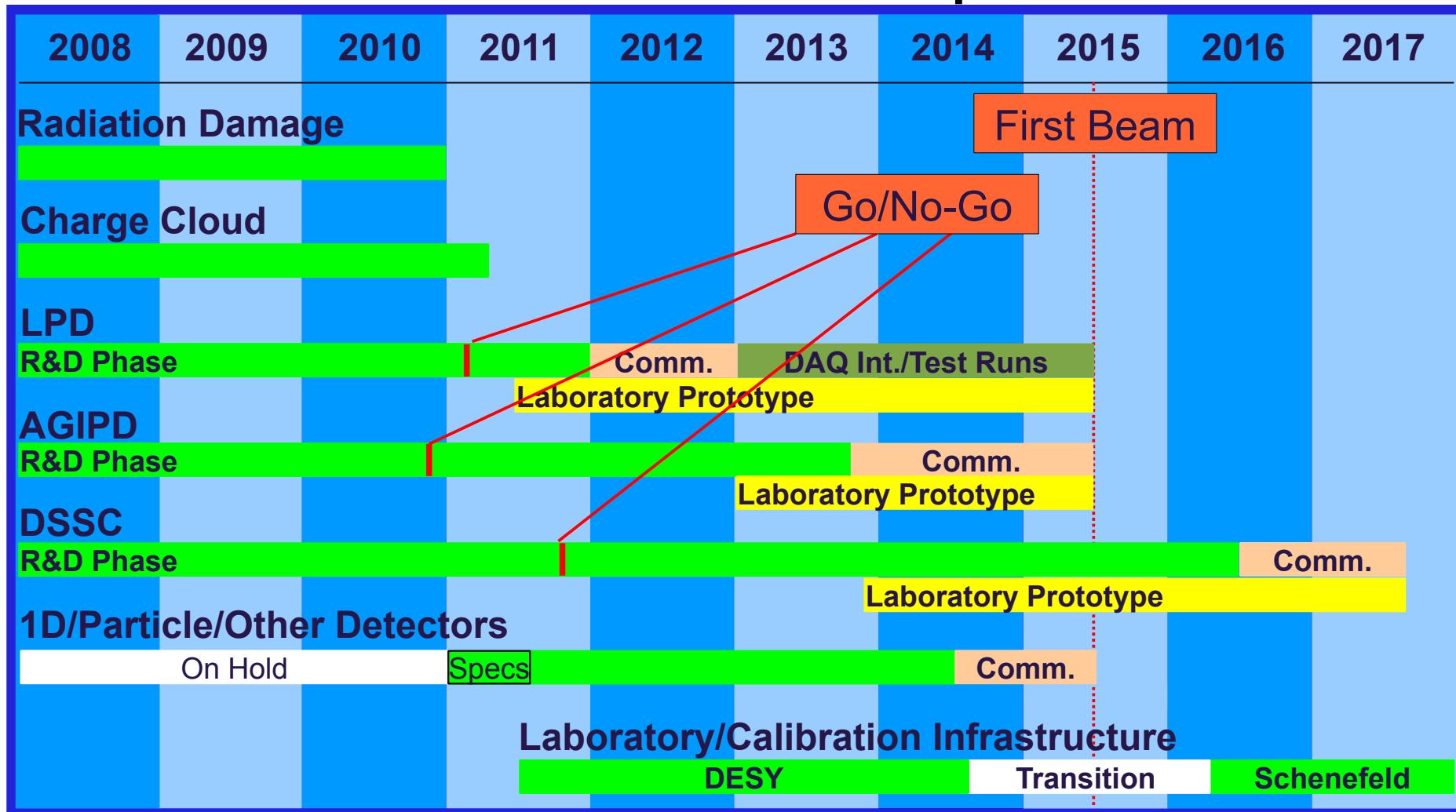
## Architecture Layers

- **FEE (ASIC+ADC+Data link)**  
Data forwarding (all) and formatting (2D)
- **FEI (data readout + control)**  
formatting, train building, pedestal correction, zero suppression, frame tagging
- **Train builder**  
formatting, frame/train building, pedestal correction, zero suppression, pixel counting + region of interest finding & tagging ...
- **PC layer = interface to data cache**  
monitoring for control purposes, tagged frame and train rejection, additional analysis and further rejection and/or compression, file size optimization ...
- **Data cache= temporary storage processing**
- **Data archive = disk & tape storage analysis and processing**

Courtesy Chris Youngman WP-76 EuXFEL

# WP-75 Schedule till 2015

## Timeline Detector Development



# Summary and Conclusions

- All 2D detector projects are on track and progressing well
- Test measurements with ASICs and prototype sensors are progressing well
- Radiation tolerance measurements and optimization is ongoing
- We look into alternative 2D detector technologies for low energy, high energy and low repetition rate applications
- Evaluation of 0D/1D, small area imaging and particle detector requirements is ongoing
- Next in depth review: DSSC in October

**We have an exiting and challenging time ahead of us!**

# XFEL 2D Detector Collaboration

## AGIPD Adaptive Gain Integrating Detector Consortium (AGIPD)

Project Leader:

H. Graafsma, DESY

- PSI/SLS Villingen
- Universität Bonn
- Universität Hamburg
- DESY

## Radiation

Project Leader:

R. Klanner, Universität Hamburg

## Charge Cloud Simulations

Project Leader:

K. Gärtner, Weierstrass Institut Berlin

## Large Pixel Detector Consortium (LPD)

Project Leader:

M. French, RAL/STFC

- STFC/Rutherford Appleton Lab.
- University of Glasgow

Thanks to all collaboration members  
for their contributions !

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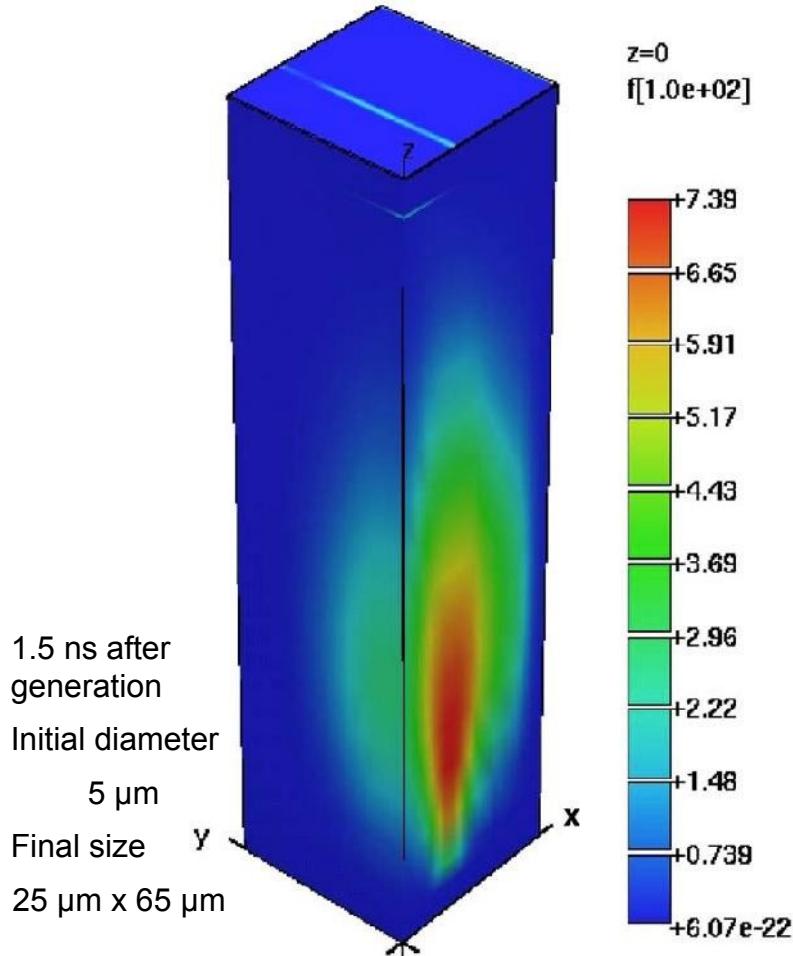
M. Porro, Politecnico di Milano

- Max-Planck Halbleiterlabor Munich
- Universität Heidelberg
- Universität Siegen
- Politecnico di Milano
- Università di Bergamo
- DESY Hamburg

# Backup Slides

# Charge Explosion Effects

## Charge Evolution Cloud in Si

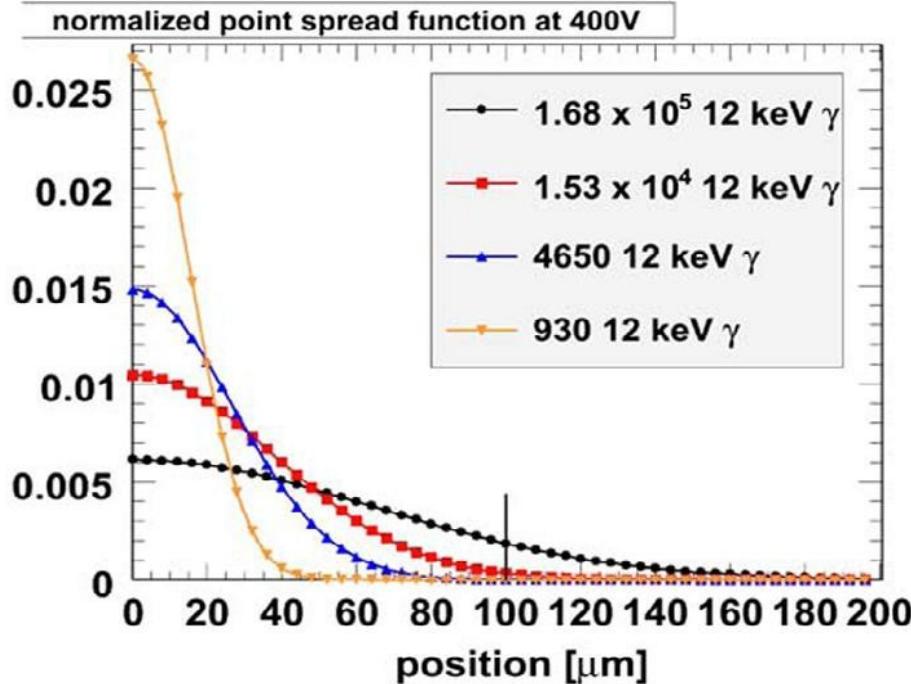


## Plasma Effects in Si

- At XFEL intensities  $10^4$  photons/pixel/pulse electron hole plasma effects dominate in sensor
- Plasma modifies the electric field in the sensor
- Ambipolar diffusion dominates over drift of charge carriers
- Effects dominate at high densities, negligible at low densities
  - **affects PSF/charge splitting**
  - **affects charge collection time**
- Plasma effects decrease with increasing electric field strength (bias voltage)

# Point Spread Function

## Point Spread Function - PSF



## Parameter Dependency

- Bias voltage → electric field
- Photon energy
- Photon intensity/spot size

## Collaboration Partners

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- Measurements J. Becker, R. Klanner et al. Universität Hamburg

## Results (AGIPD)

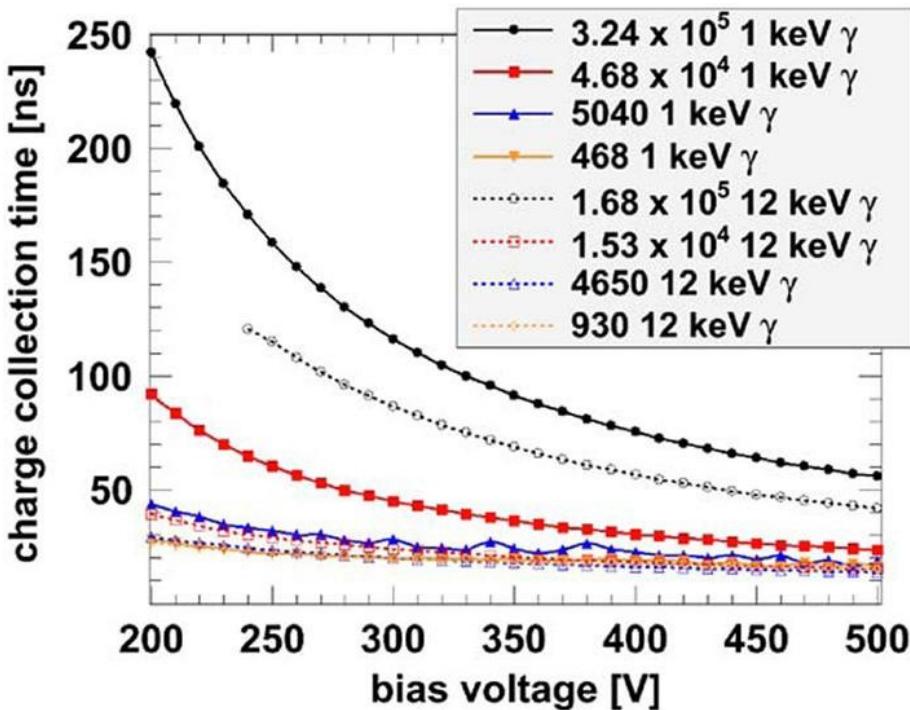
- For high densities/low bias voltages the charge collection time exceeds XFEL bunch rep. time
- PSF stays within one pixel size for  $10^4$  12 keV or  $10^5$  1 keV photons

Effects negligible for current design!  
( $200 \times 200 \mu\text{m}^2$  pixel size)

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# Charge Collection Effects

## Charge Collection Time



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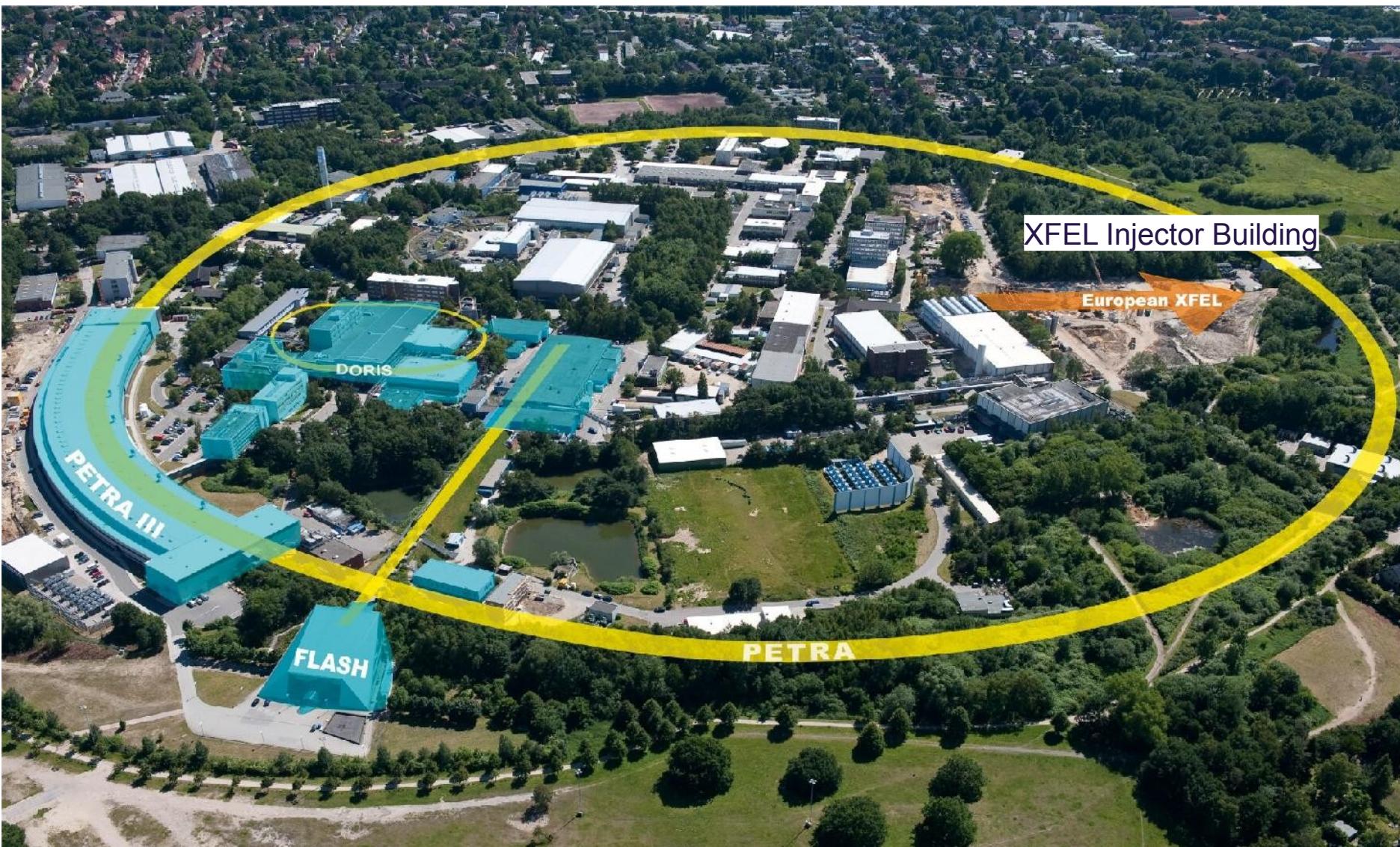
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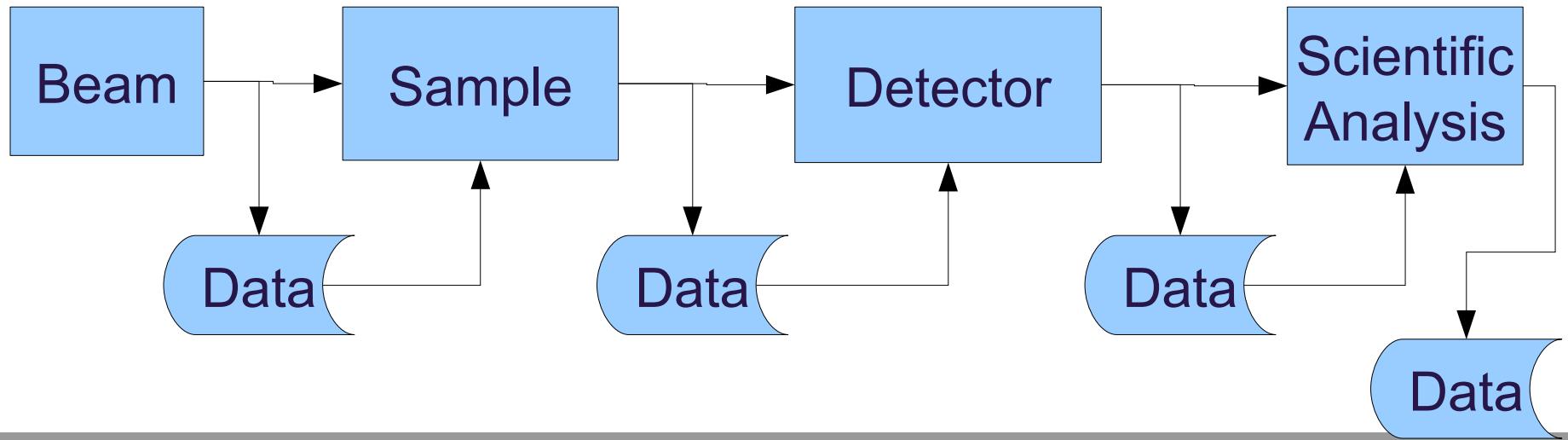
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# XFEL @ DESY Campus



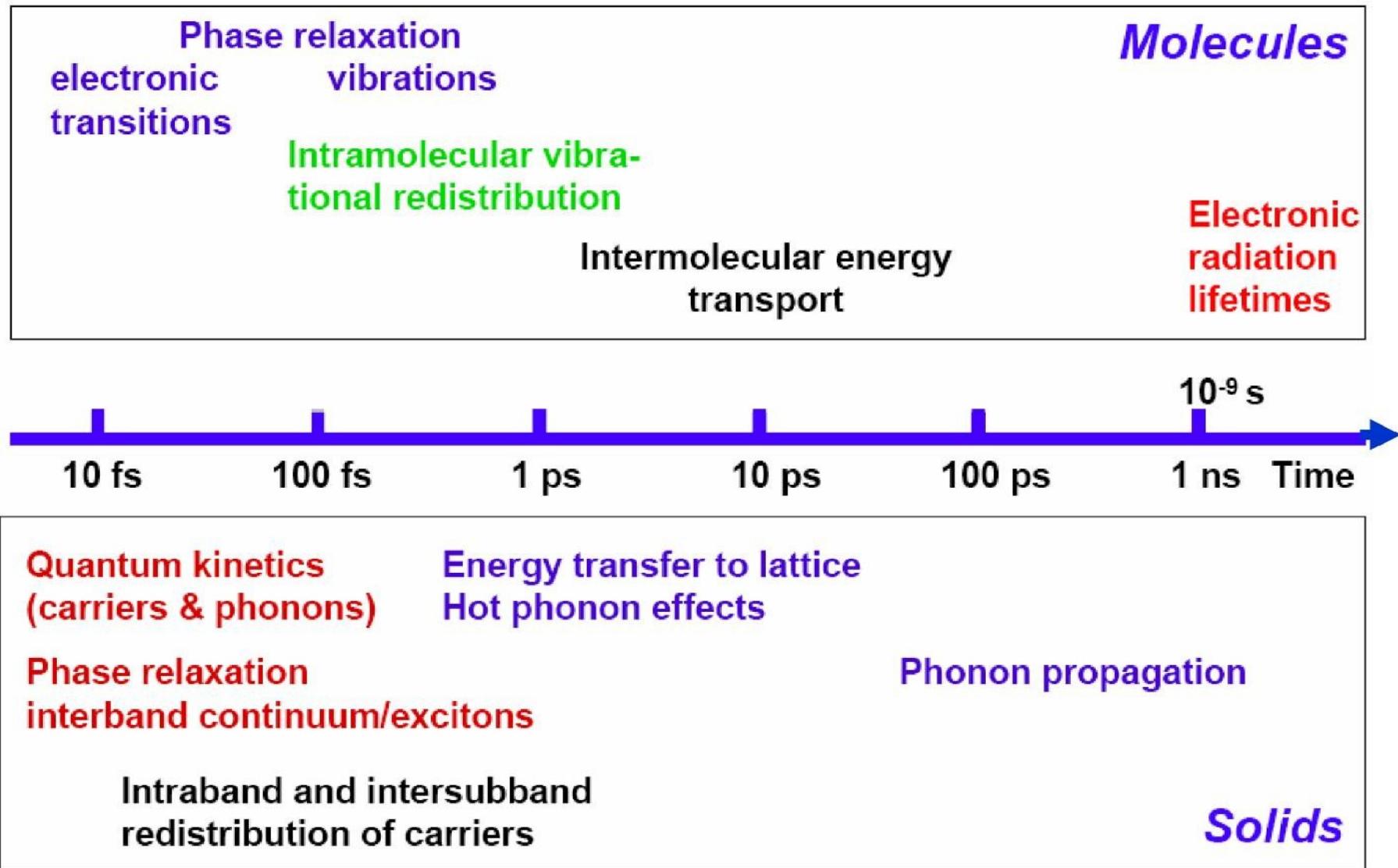
# Start-to-End Simulation



## Status and Goals

- Collaboration between experts in different disciplines at DESY, CFEL, XFEL + ... requirement definition + conceptual design phase
- Modular, scalable and user accessible
- Experiment optimization and planning, optimization and performance simulation of sub-components, experiment planning
- Integrated into standard data analysis and management concept

# Timescale of Dynamics



# Smaller Pixel Size

## AGIPD Feasibility Study

100 x 100  $\mu\text{m}^2$  possible

### Price to pay

- Limited number of storage cells
  - memory depth 128(300) images
- No gain switching (low intensity)
- Radiation hardness issues

## LPD Feasibility Study

250 x 250  $\mu\text{m}^2$  possible

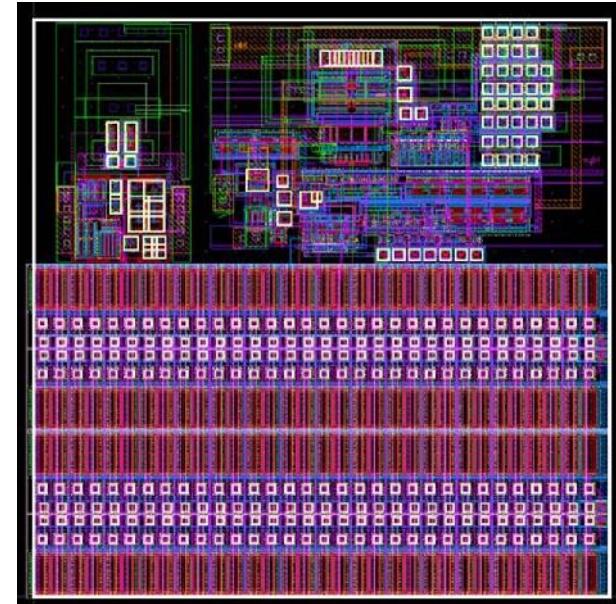
### Price to pay

- Limited number of storage cells
  - memory depth 374(512) images
- Different interposer technology
- Sensor OK

## XPCS Requirement

- No signal overlap between pixels,  
i.e. one speckle per pixel
- Pixel size < 50  $\mu\text{m}$   
ideally < 20  $\mu\text{m}$  at 4 m distance

## AGIPD Reduced Area Pixel Cell



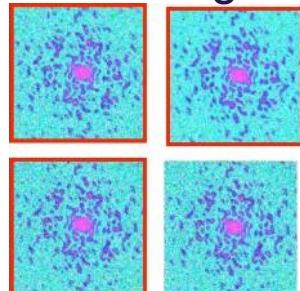
# Single Molecule X-ray Imaging

## Particle injection

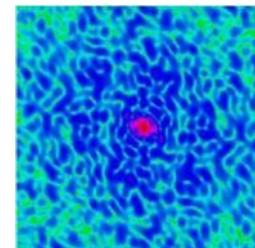
One pulse = one measurement  
Avoid problems with growing of large crystals

## X-ray laser Pulse

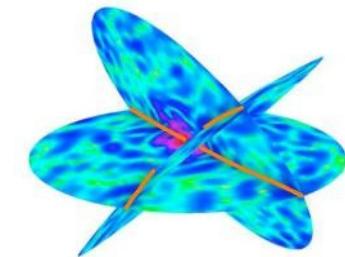
>  $10^6$  images



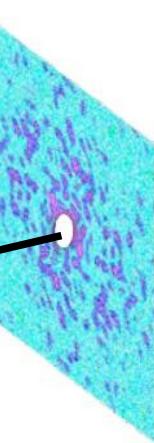
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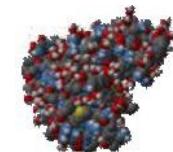
Averaging



Orientation



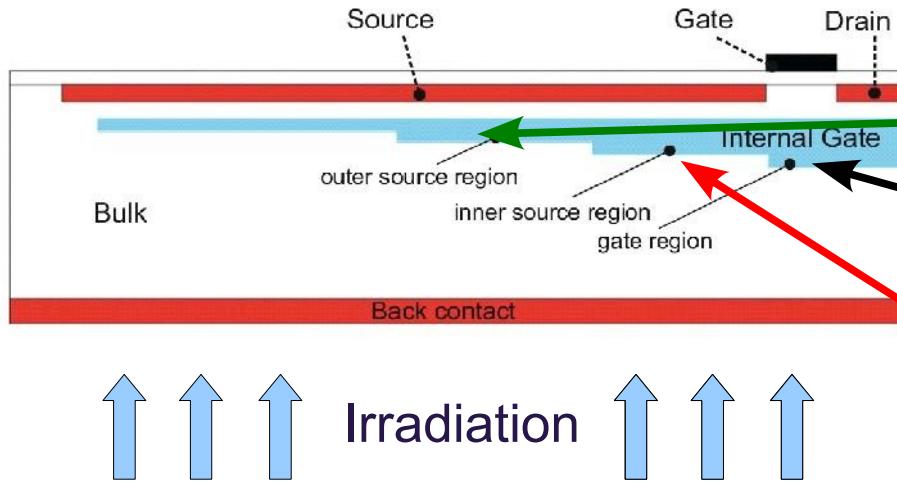
Diffraction pattern (noisy)



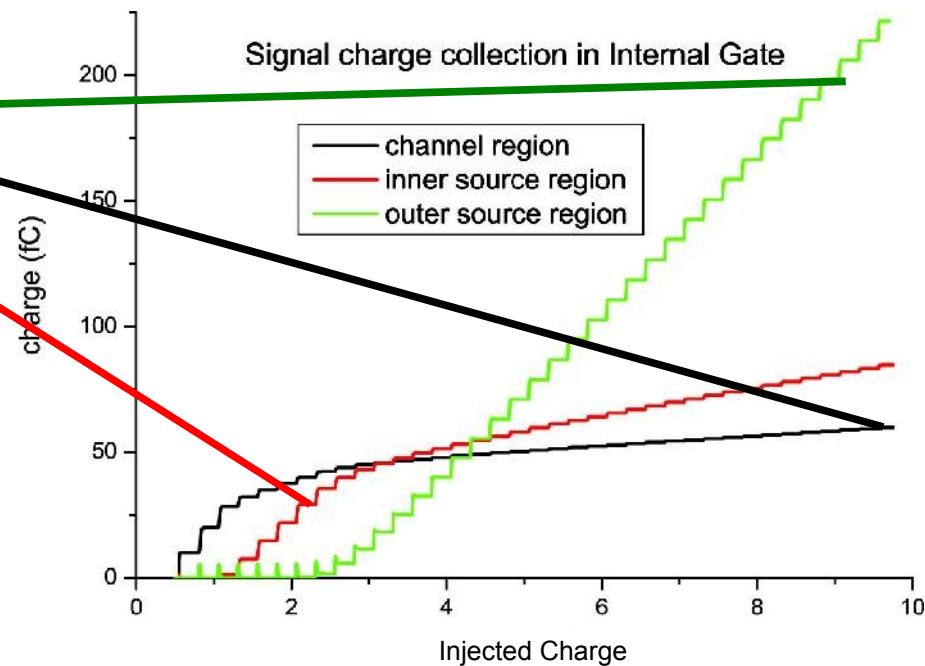
Reconstruction

# DSSC Signal Compression

## Extended Internal Gate



## Charge Collection at Internal Gate



## Working Principle

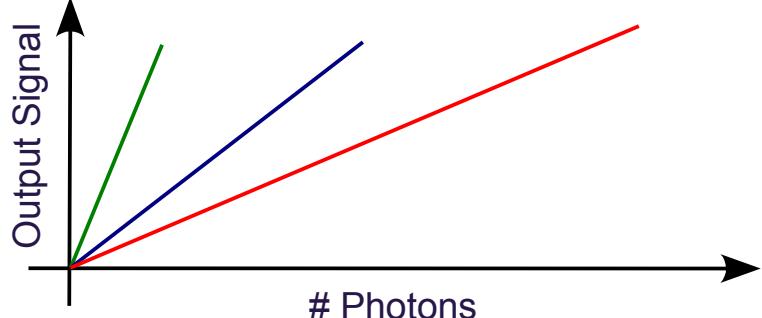
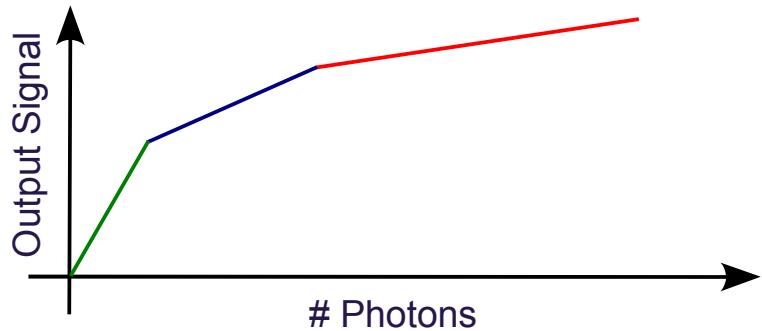
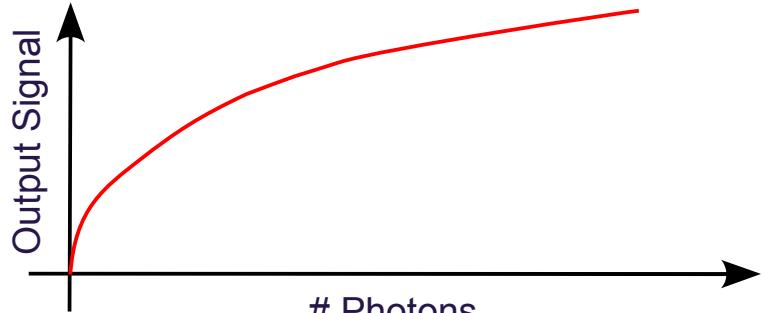
- Only charge below internal gate contributes to  $I_{SD}$
- Small signals  
→ charge collected at internal gate  
→ full/most effective steering of  $I_{SD}$

- Large Signals  
→ charge spills over to source region  
→ minor or no contribution to  $I_{SD}$

Porro et al. NIM A (2010) vol. 624 pp. 509

# Dynamic Range

## Dynamic Range Compression



## Requirements

Single photon sensitivity ( $5\sigma$ ) and high luminosity of  $10^3$ - $10^4$  ph/pixel/pulse simultaneously

- Small signals need to be measured with high accuracy
- Large signals are dominated by Poissonian noise  $\propto \sqrt{n}$   
→ less accuracy required

## Solution

Non-linear component per pixel in sensor or front-end with decreasing gain for increasing signal levels

- Sensor intrinsic non-linear gain
- Dynamic gain switching
- Three parallel amplifier stages

# 1D Detectors and 2D Small Area Detectors

- First review of requirements in 2008 (I. Ramos)
- Conclusions 2009
  - Powder diffraction experiments
  - Dispersion experiments
  - Baseline sensor
    - ➔ 1D strip detector, 1024 strips, 50  $\mu\text{m}$  strip pitch, 4.5 MHz readout, optimized for 12 keV
- Further studies are presently ongoing

