

# The compact X-ray source ThomX

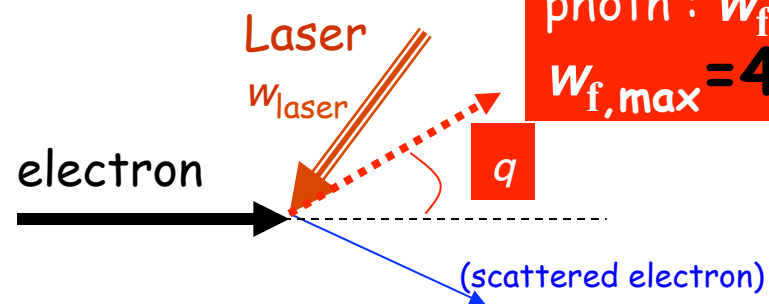
- The machine
- Some technical issues (optics)
- Applications

- LAL (*Laboratoire de l'Accélérateur Linéaire*)
- SOLEIL (*National Synchrotron facility*)
- CELIA (*Centre Lasers Intenses et Applications*)
- Institut Néel
- UPMC-LAMS (*Laboratoire d'Archéologie Moléculaire et Structurale*)
- ESRF (*European Synchrotron Radiation Facility*)
- INSERM (*Institut National de la Santé et de la Recherche Médicale*)
- Thales TED (*industrial partner*)

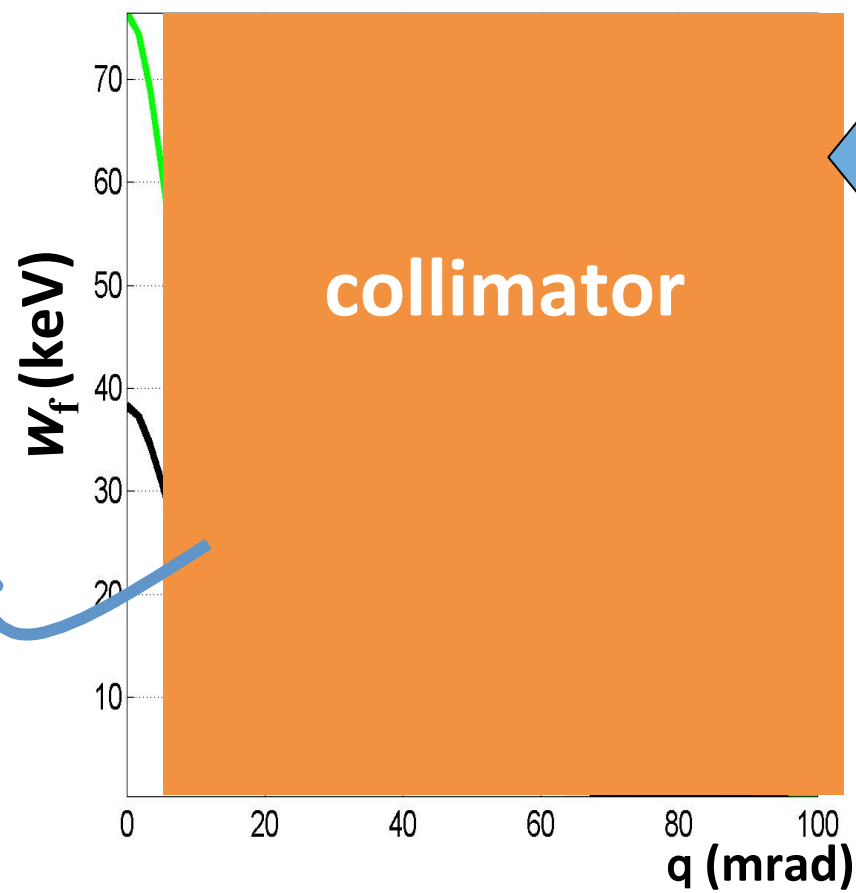
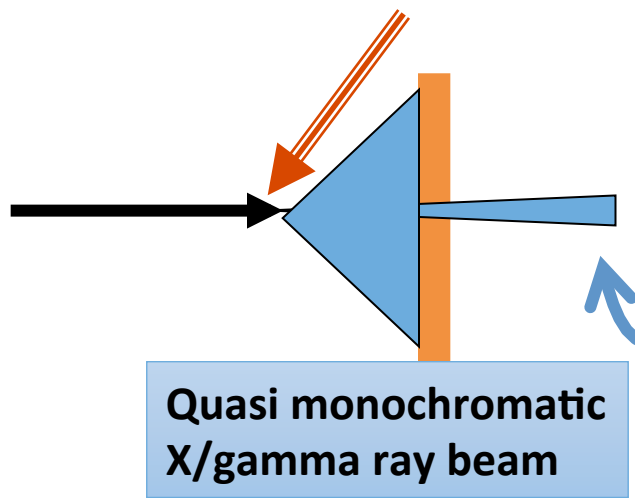
# Compton scattering applications

photon:  $w_f$   
 $w_{f,max} = 4g^2 w_{laser}$

**Compton scattering**  
 Photon<sub>laser</sub> + e → photon + e'  
 is a  
**2 body process** →  $w_f = f(q)$

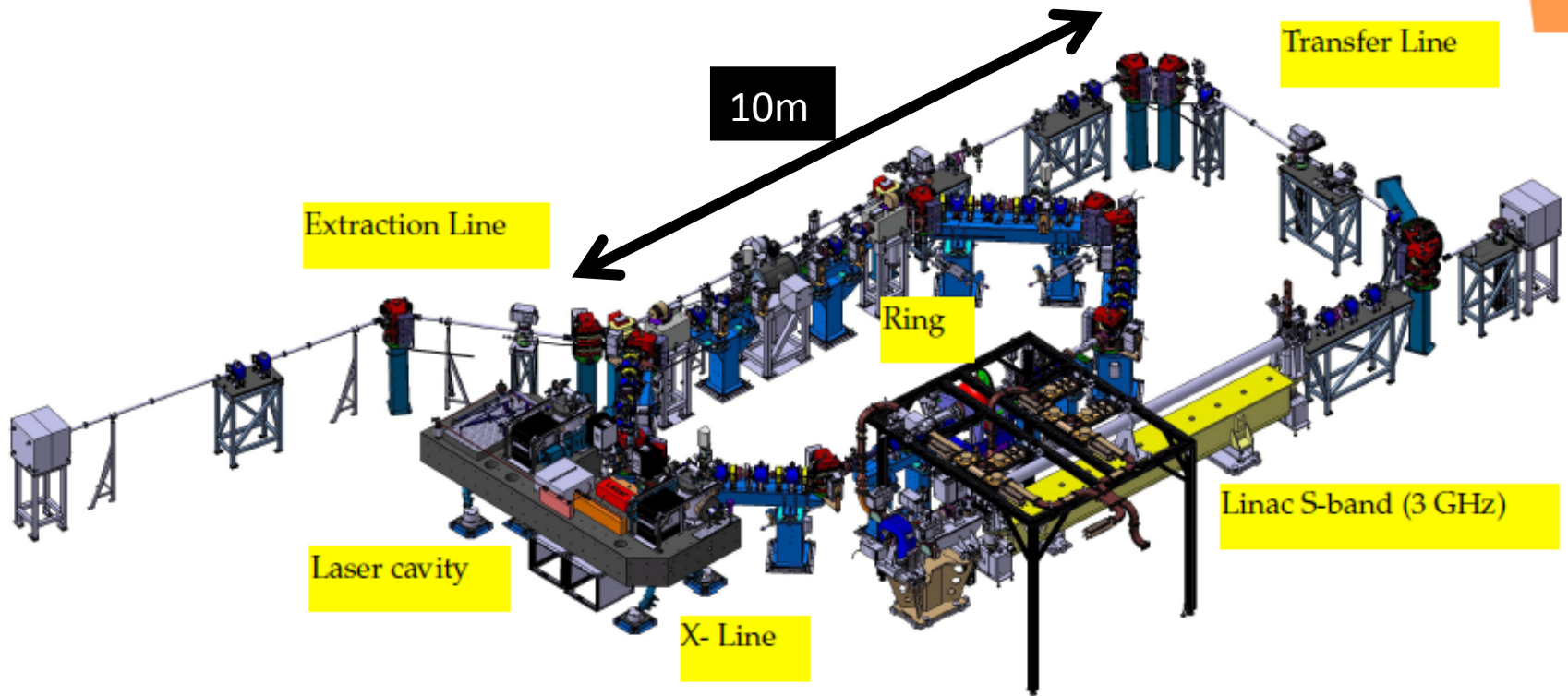


$g = E_{electron} / m_e c^2$   
 PRL138(1965)B1546



See  
 P. Piot  
 G Paterno  
 talks

# ThomX Accelerator Facility



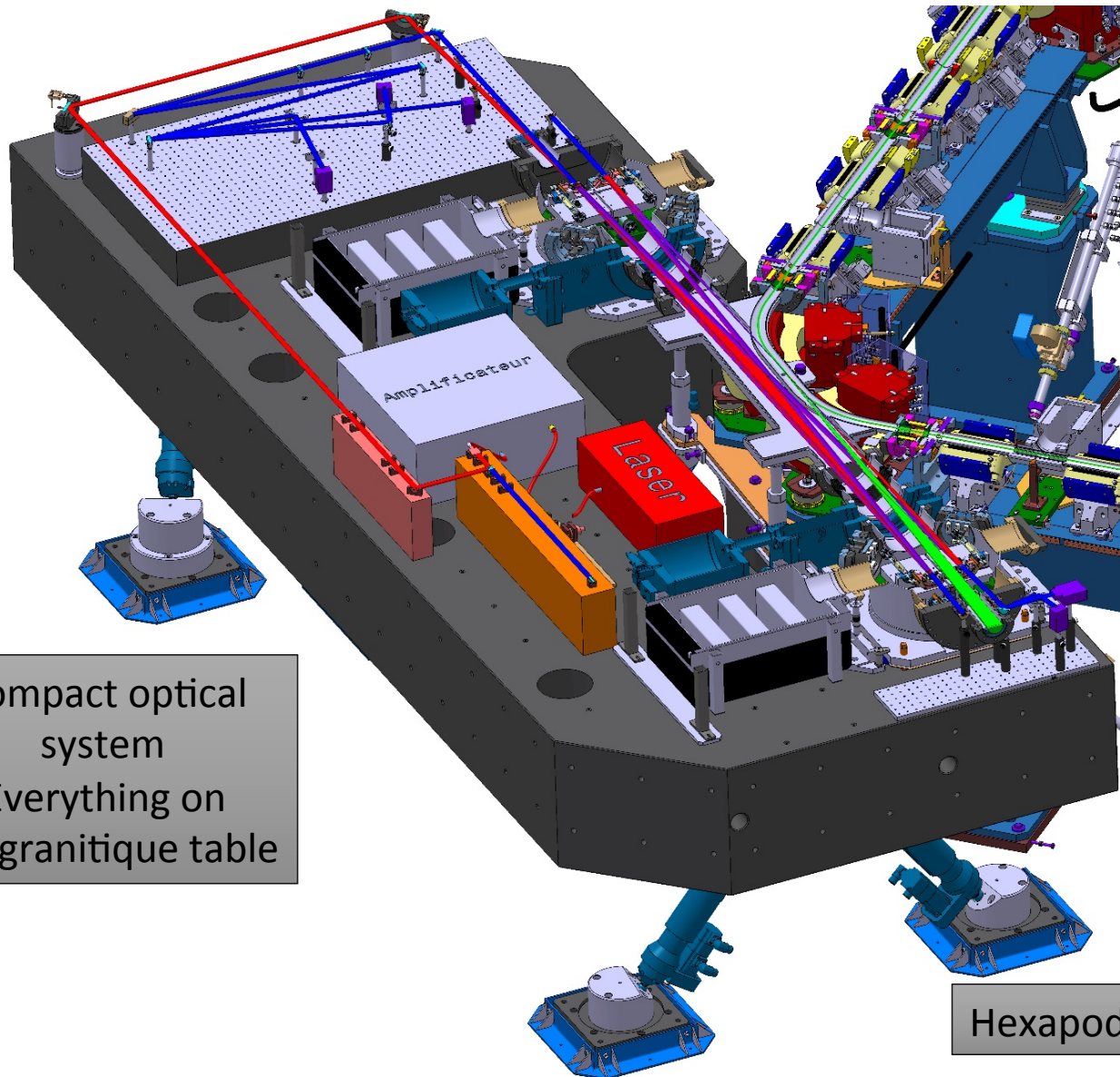
3 GHz gun and linac delivering 1 bunch of 1 nC every 20 ms (50 Hz)

The bunch is stored in a compact ring (Rev freq ~ 17 Mhz)

An Fabry-Perot cavity to store the laser pulse (max ~ 20 mJ) @33MHz

Up to  $10^{13}$  photons / s (photon max energy of 90 keV )

# The optical cavity & Compton Interaction point



Compact optical system  
Everything on the granitique table

Hexapode feet



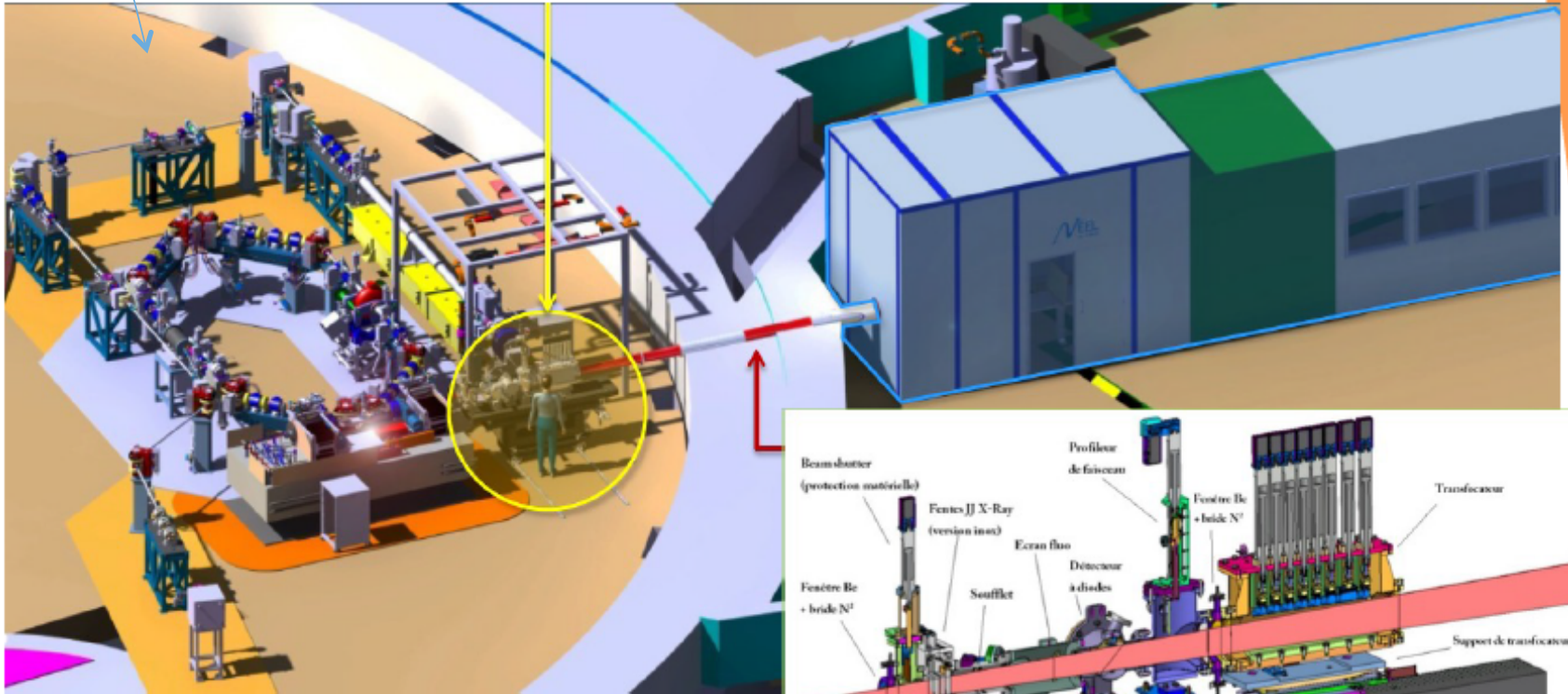
Located in the old LURE igloo at Orsay

# X line

Phase of manufacturing and tests at SERAS and ESRF

Table 1 - Continuous monitoring

Working zone  
X-hutch (exp & control)



- X-ray obturator
- Slits system (alignment/beam shape)
- Fluorescent screens (beam detection)
- Diode detector (intensity)
- Beam profiler (abs. position)
- Transfocator (beam focus)

X-ray cone emission  $\sim 10\text{mrad}$

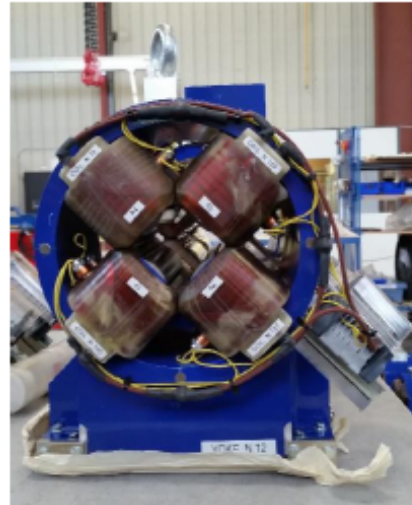
# Transfer Line - Storage Ring

Magnets: produced by SIGMAPHI, measurements at ALBA (QUAD + DIP) + LAL (SEXT)

15 DIP



34 QUAD



13 SEXT



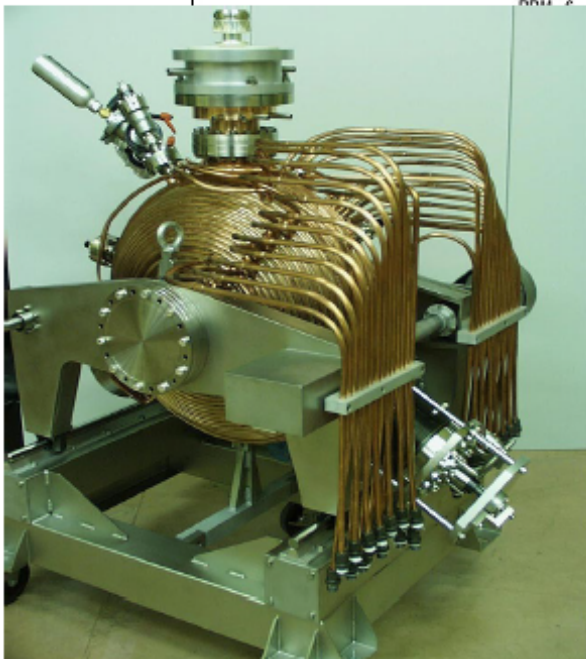
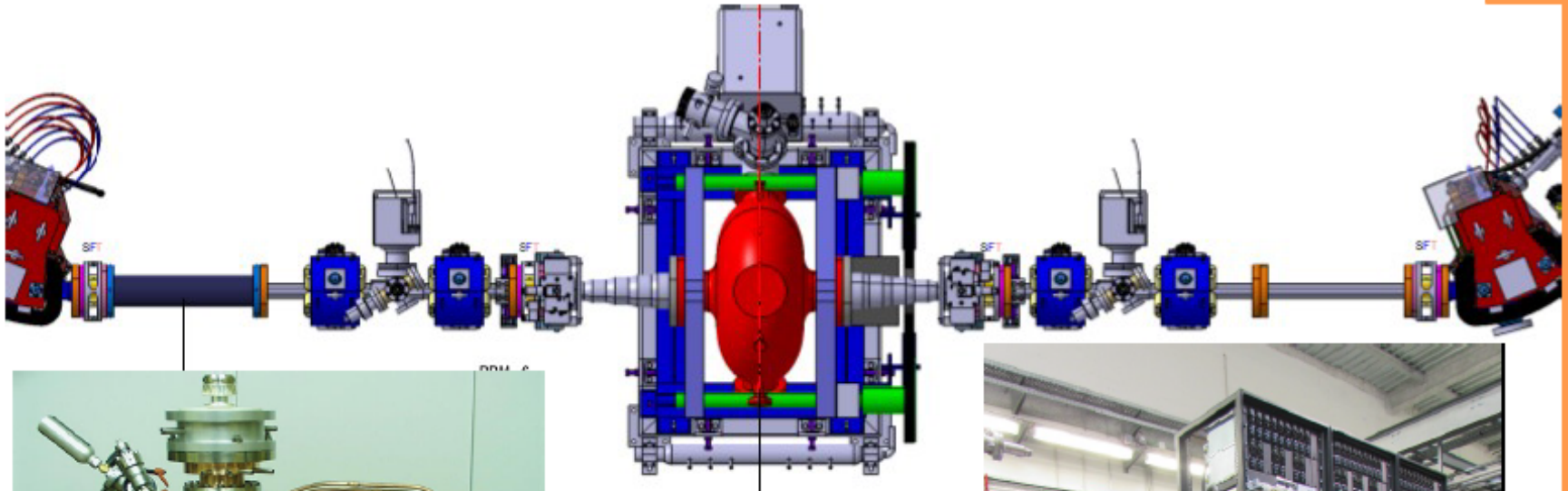
January 2016 - Start of the magnet measurements at ALBA.

Mai 2016 - Start of the magnet measurements at LAL.



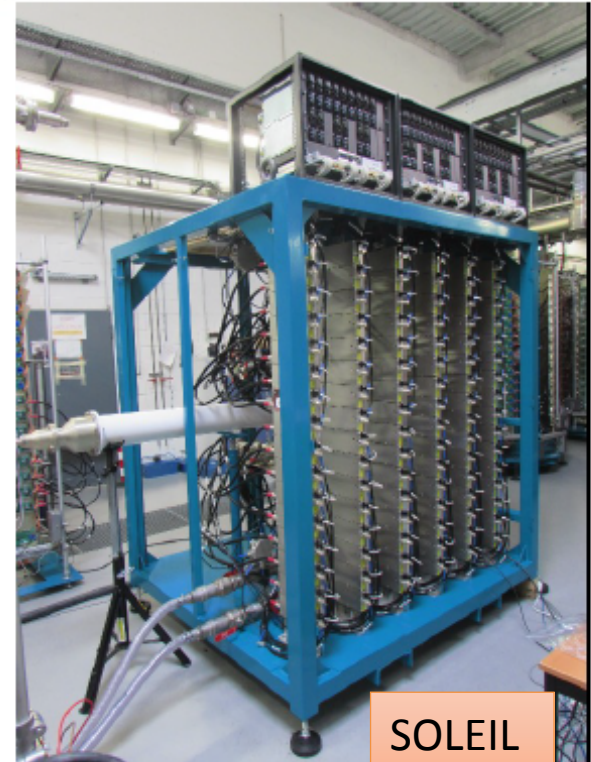


# Storage Ring RF system



• ELETTRA type cavity

500 MHz  
50 kW CW



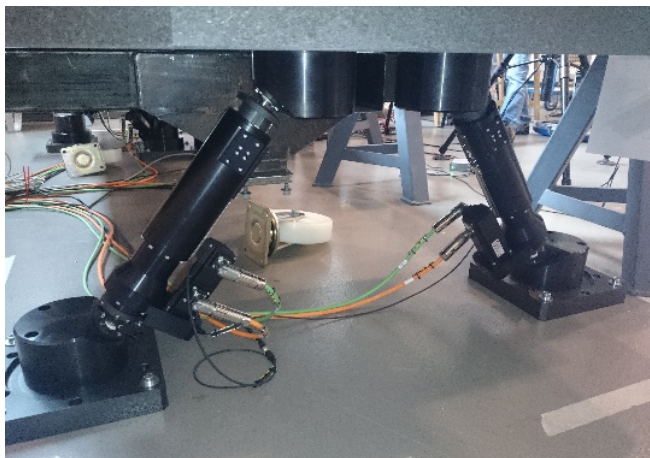
Solid state amplifier



Granit table reception at LAL



Cavity vacuum vessel installation at LAL



Hexapode feets





Cheikh, Pierre, Themis, Xing  
office

# ThomX implantation : Igloo



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ThomX Status avril 2016



## Avancement du chantier



## 2 Thomx issues :

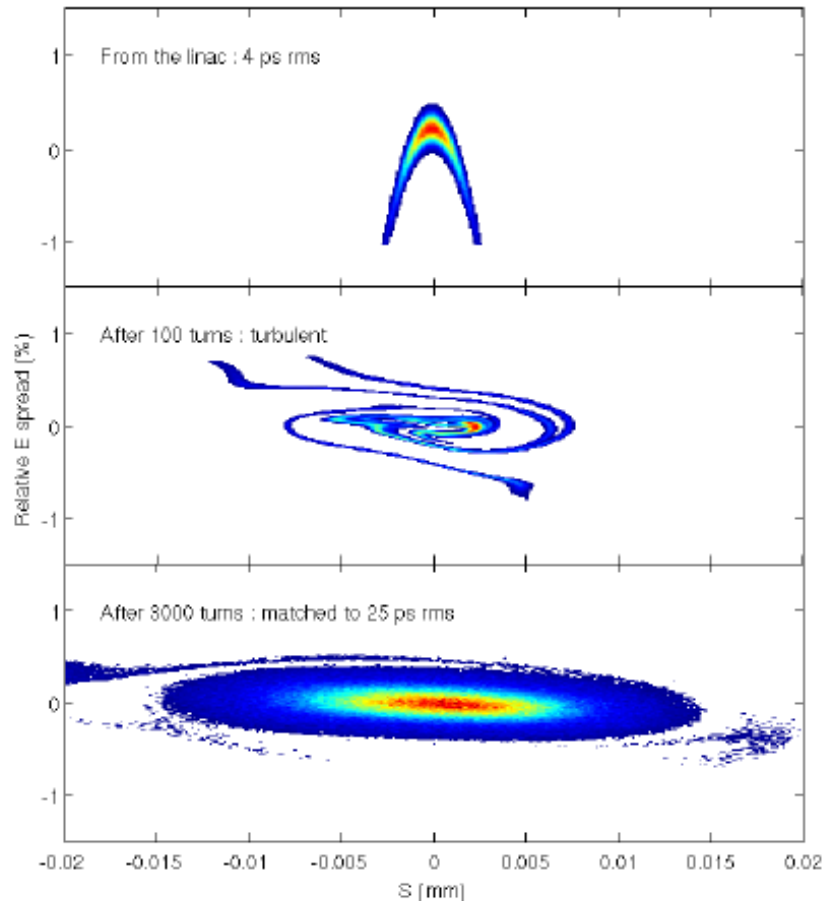
✓ beam dynamics

✓ Laser/cavity technology

# Storage Ring beam dynamics

## First turns ...

1 nC – 50 MeV



Typical longitudinal shape from the linac

Strongly mismatch in the ring  
Undergoes “turbulent” dynamics  
Strong collective effects

→ **Coherent rad. Synch.**

Strong Needs: Position feedback in the 3 planes

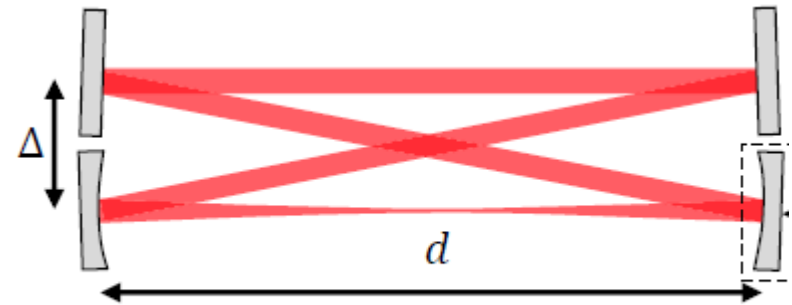
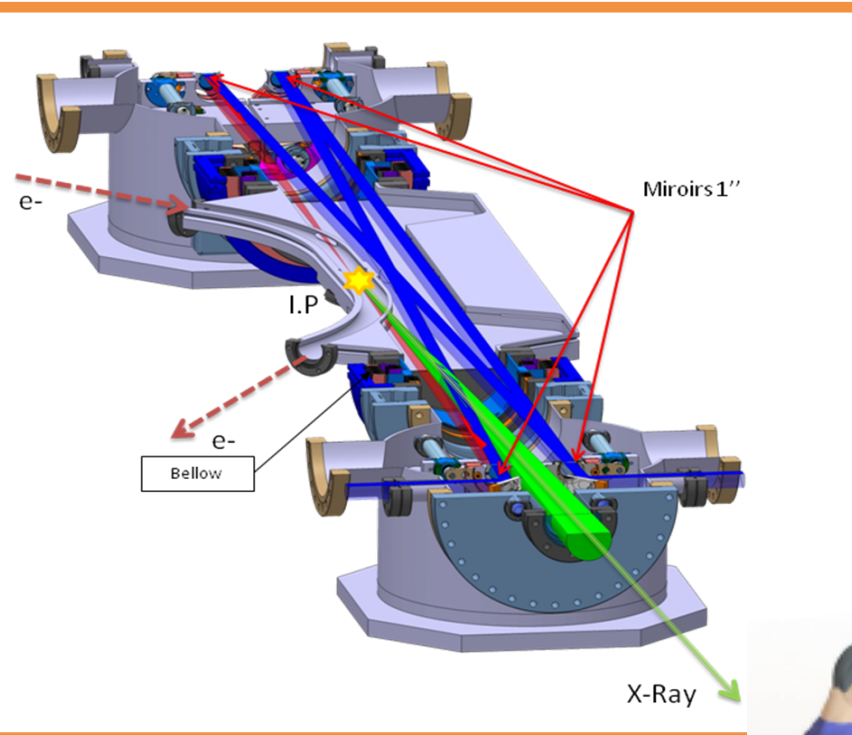
Side effects : Horizontal emittance increase

Main risk : To brake the bunch / losses

Finally reach a ring matched form  
Still subject to some head tail effects

Simulations from I. Drebot

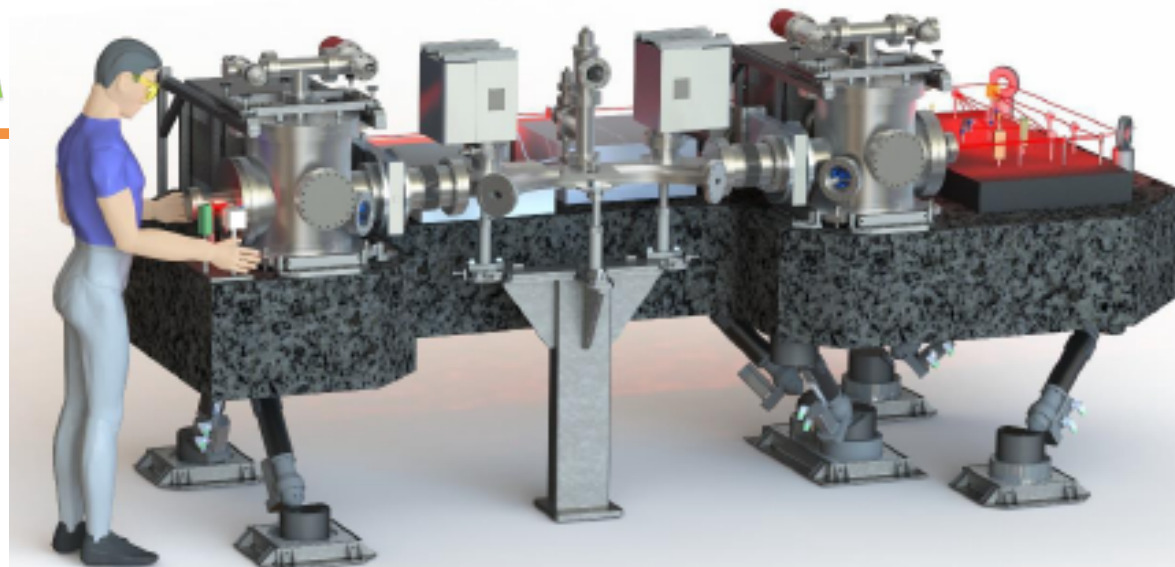
# 2<sup>nd</sup> issue: the Optical cavity



(a) Standard bow-tie (SBT) cavity

Laser wavelength	1030 nm
Laser and FP cavity Freq	36 MHz
Laser Power	50 - 100 W
FP cavity finesse / gain	30000 / 10000
FP waist	70 $\mu$ m

→ Laser oscillator rep. rate & CEP locking @  $Dn/n \sim 10^{-12}$





# Illustration of one issue : the laser cavity feedback

Cavity finesse  $F = \text{gain} \times p$  :  
 $F = G \times p = p / (1 - R) \sim 10^4 \times p$   
Optical path length :  $L \sim 7.5 \text{ m}$

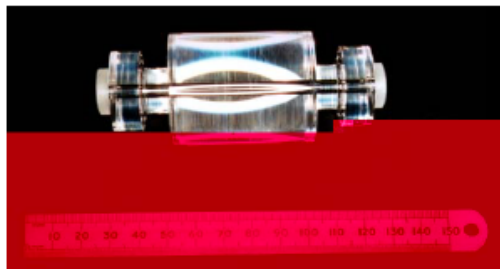
Cavity resonance  
frequency linewidth  
 $D_n = c / (LF) \sim 1.3 \text{ kHz} !$

$D_n / \nu = l / (LF) = \sim 10^{-12}$   
Same numbers as in metrology !!!

• Ultra-Low Expansion (ULE) Glass:



• Single-crystal Sapphire (cryogenic:  $\sim 4 \text{ K}$ )



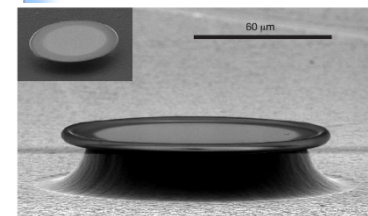
• Typical **length**: 10 cm  
→ Free spectral range  $\sim 1.5 \text{ GHz}$

• Typical **finesse**: 300,000  
→ linewidth  $\sim 5 \text{ kHz}$   
→ **power enhancement**  $\sim 10^5$

[applied power (CW): 1 mW  
intracavity power (CW): 100 W]

• Mirrors **optically contacted** to spacer

**Linewidth 1.3 kHz**  
→  $F = 10^6 \dots$





# Besides In metrology experiments :

The hyper stable small cavity is 'hyper' temperature stabilised

Into an hyper isolated room

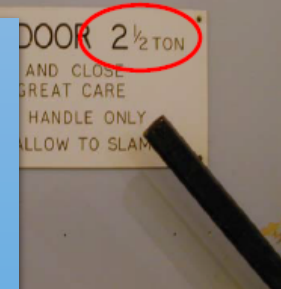
Heat sink  
Thermal resistance  
0.29degreesC/W



Peltier

## For Compton machines

- ✓ 'Geant' mechanical structure
- ✓ Noisy accelerator environment
- ✓ Pulsed laser beam regime
  - ✓  $\neq$  1kHz linewidth oscillator
  - ✓ 'Huge' average & peak power !



Put on an

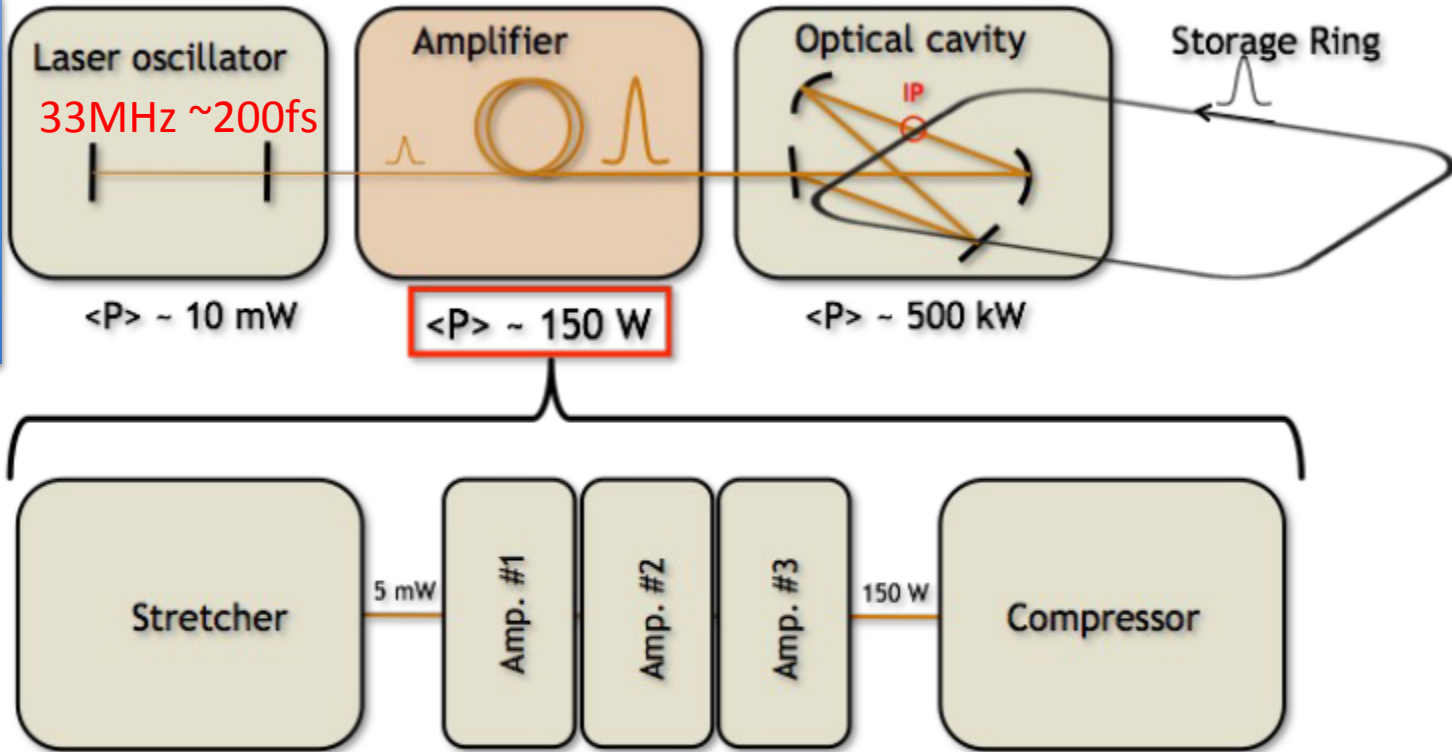
ser is used,

phisto

# ThomX Laser amplification system: CELIA Lab. (Bordeaux)

## Laser and Amplifier

Yb doped gain media  
Used for  
« high  
Average  
Power »



Goals: stack as much average power as possible in an optical resonator → 1MW

Present optical cavities performances

4-mirror high finesse cavity tested at  
KEK on ATF (1.3 GeV ring)

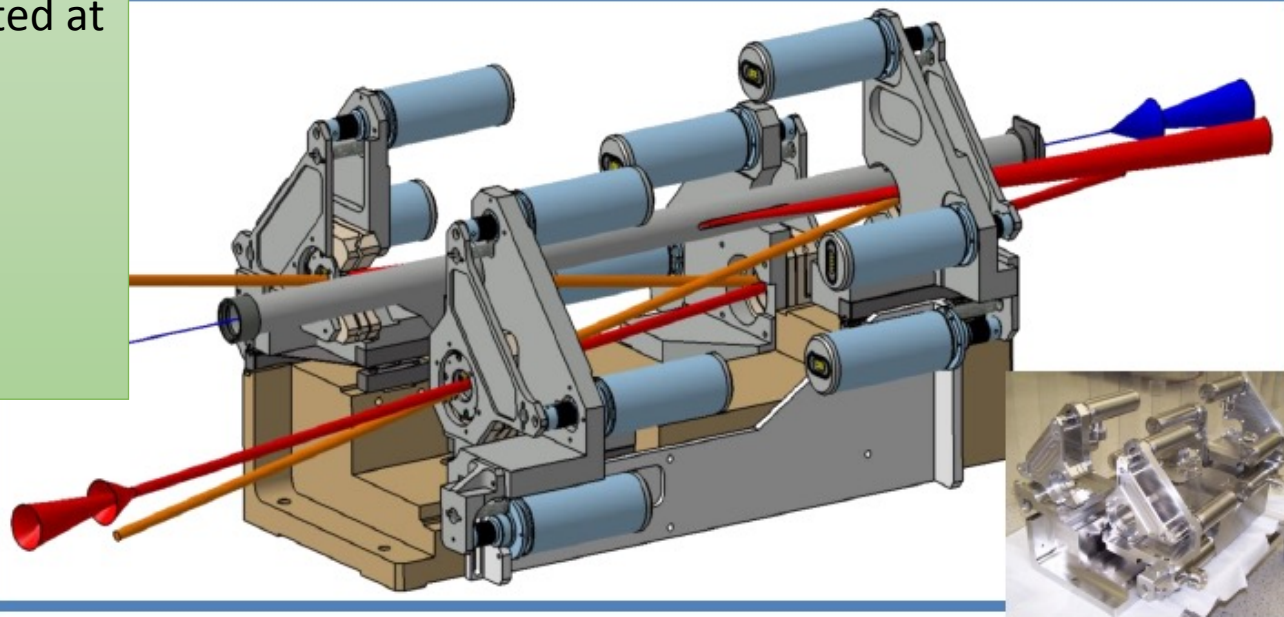
**French-Japanese collaboration**

→ 100kW stored power

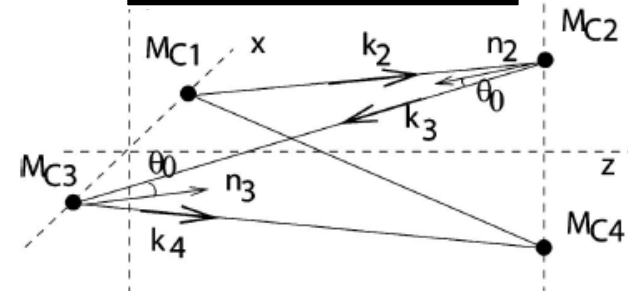
(before the earthquake)

Mirror surfaces degradation

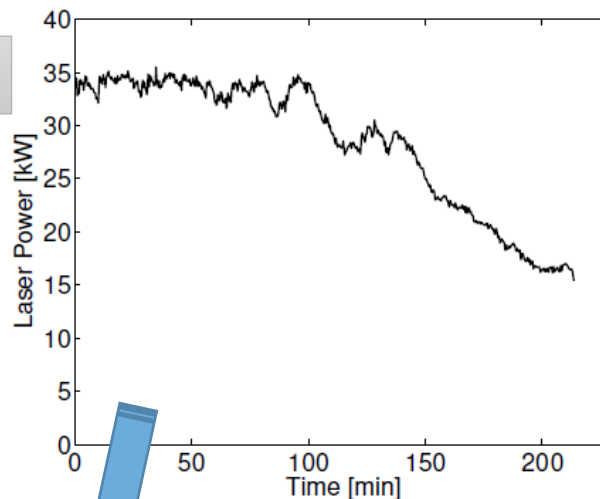
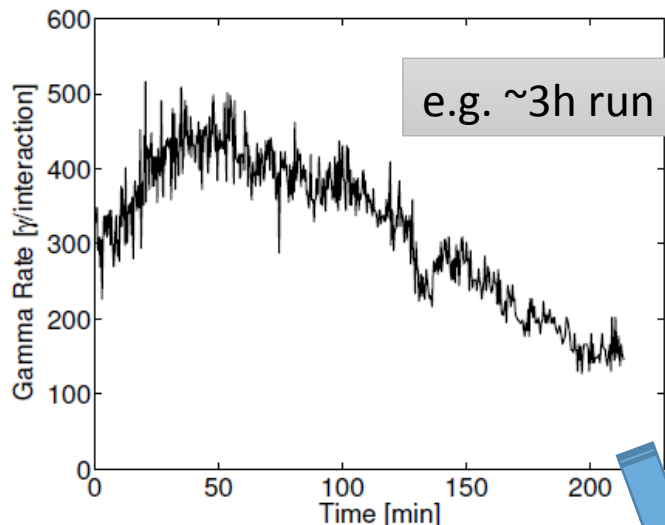
→ runs with 45kW at most



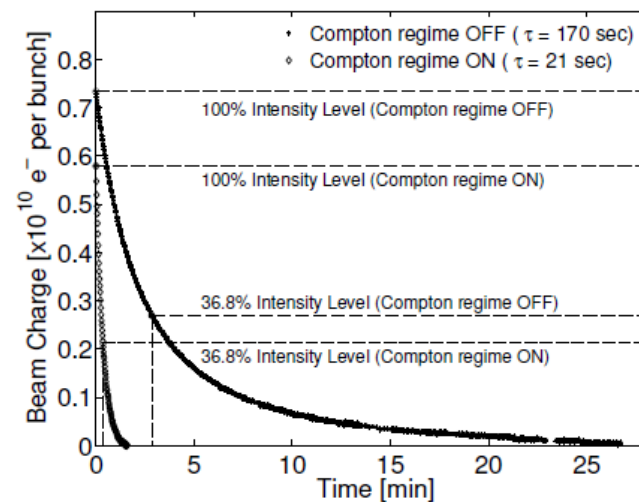
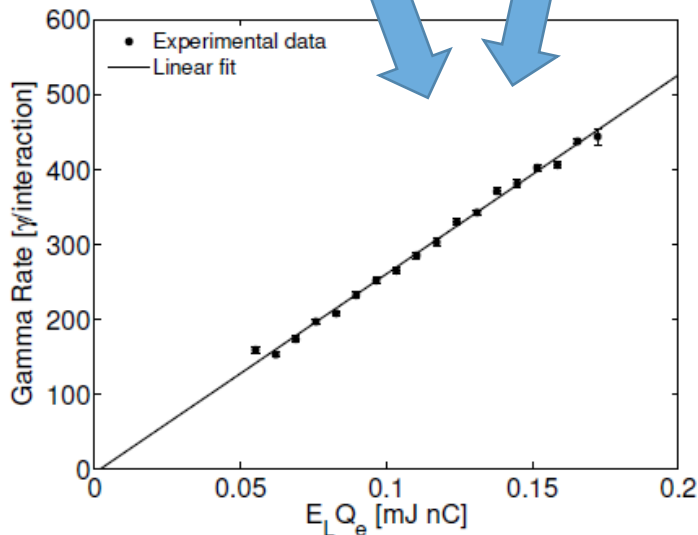
Non-planar cavity  
→ circular polar mode



# 'Huge' average power must be stored inside the optical cavity → mirror thermoelastic deformations & damage



**Stable >500kW average power needed for ThomX**  
→ goal 1MW





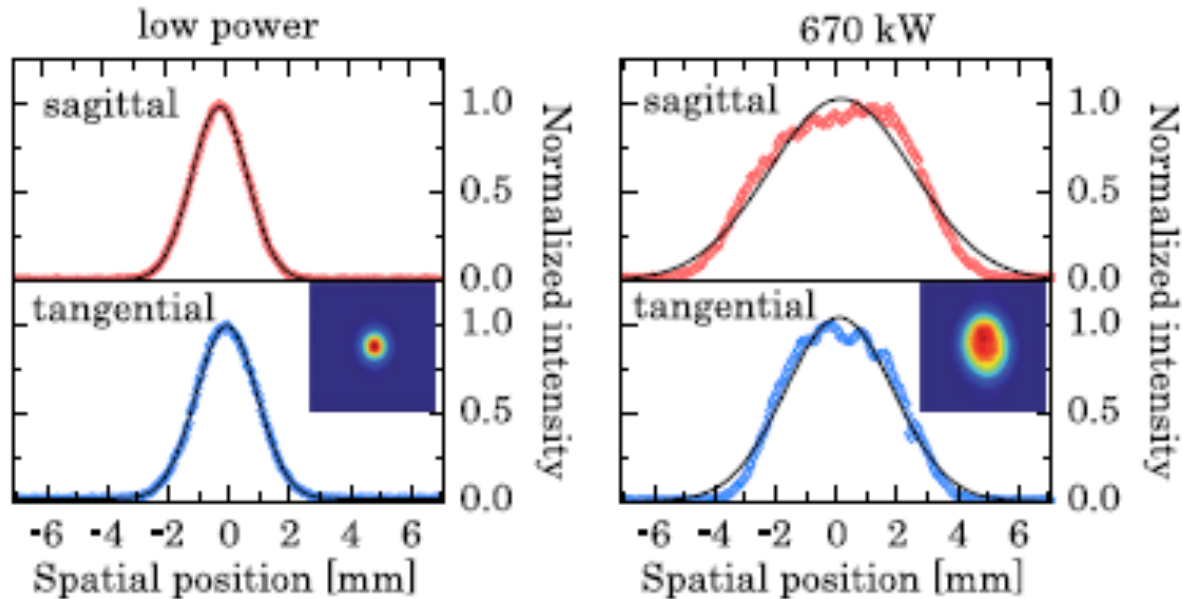
## State of the art table top

Cavity average power = **670kW @ 10ps**

**400kW@250fs**

Laser + amplifier : 420W @ 250 MHz

Cavity enhancement factor ~ 2000



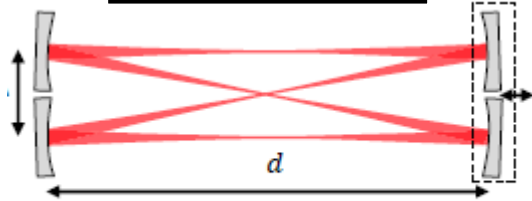
Carstens et al. Opt Lett 39 (2014) 2595

**Careful choice for mirror  
substrate materials &  
coating  
→ Test with high finesse  
cavity undergoing**

**To further increase circulating power  
→ Reduce fluence on the mirrors**

**To increase luminosity  
→ reduce mode waist & aberrations  
(astigmatism)**

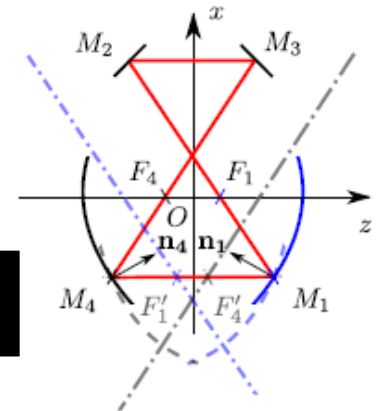
Cavity with 4 concave mirrors



(b) All-curved-mirror (ACM) cavity  
Carstens et al. Opt Expr 21(2013)11606

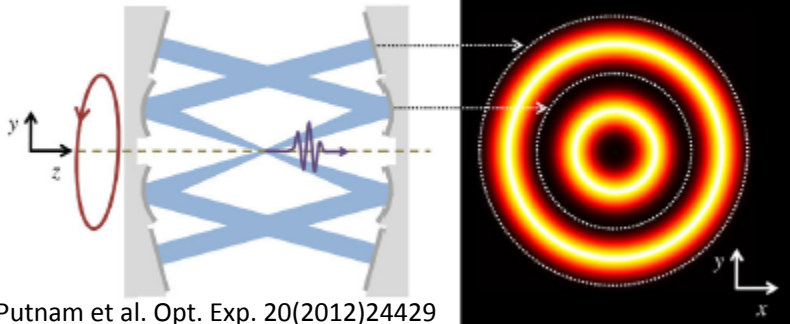
Optical cavity developments  
 → reduce damage threshold  
 → reduce aberrations

Cavity with parabolic mirrors

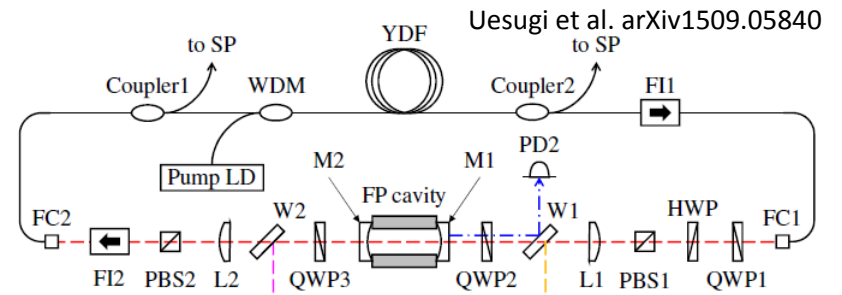


Dupraz et al., Opt. Comm. 353 (2015)178

Bessel-Gauss beam cavity with toroid



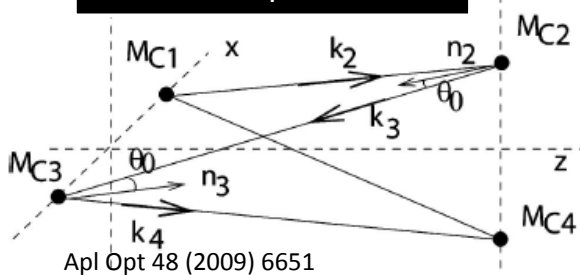
Putnam et al. Opt. Exp. 20(2012)24429



Uesugi et al. arXiv1509.05840

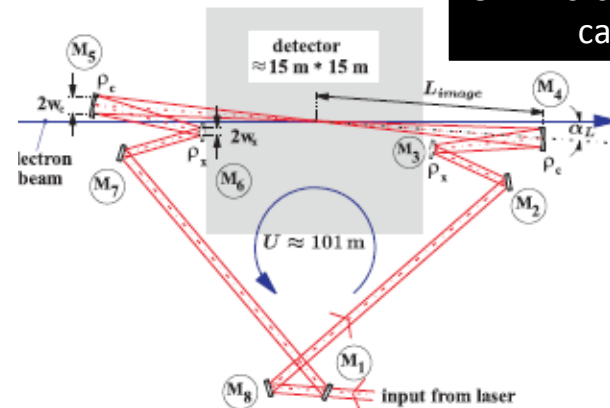
“External” cavity “inside” the laser oscillator

Non-planar cavity  
 → circular polar mode



Apl Opt 48 (2009) 6651

8 mirrors telescopic cavity



Klemz et al.  
NIMA564  
(2006)212

# ThomX APPLICATIONS

Quasi monochromatic 40-90keV X-ray beams

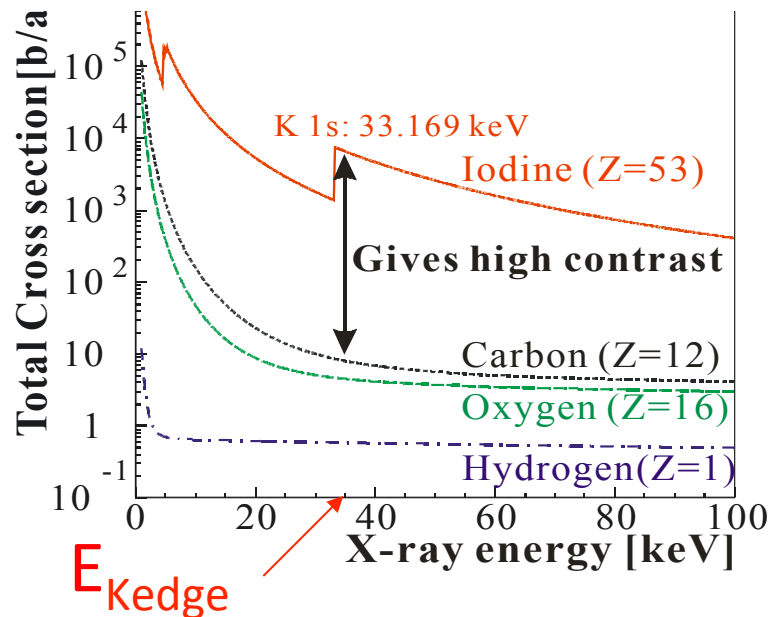
# Painting / archeology analyses

## 'K edge imaging' (see Hayakawa-san's talk)

- Heavy chemical elements are contained in painting pigments
  - Characterised by K absorption edges

Total Cross Section of X-ray attenuation

for various elements



K-edge imaging  
(Pb → white, Hg → vermilion...)  
of a Van-Gogh's painting



But ~30k€ insurance for 2 days

→ Compact machine inside Louvre

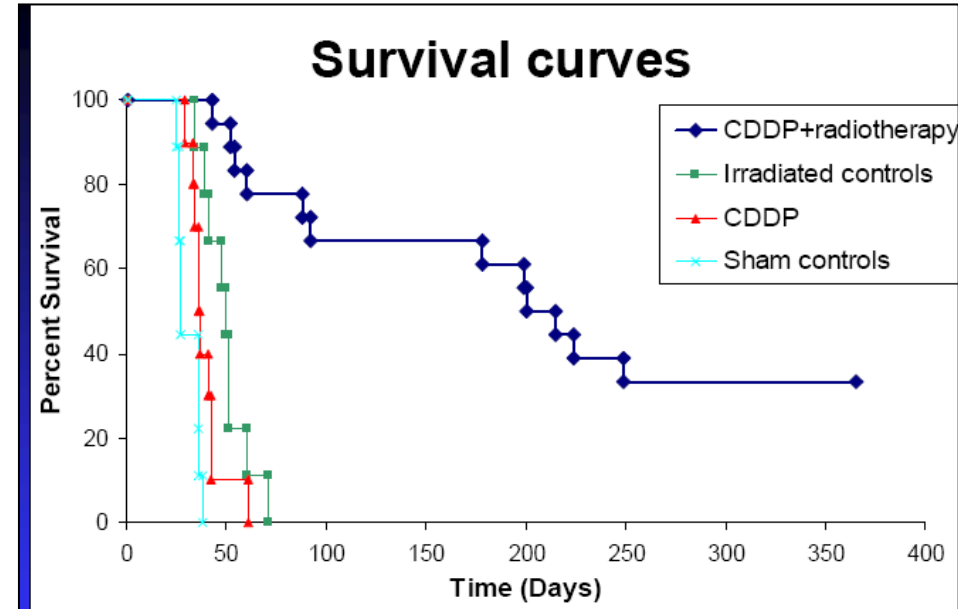
museum was foreseen ( $E_x \sim 10-100\text{keV}$ )...

→ This was the *original motivation* of ThomX  
with Le Louvre museum

# A medical application at ESRF (ligne ID17): radiotherapy for brain tumors

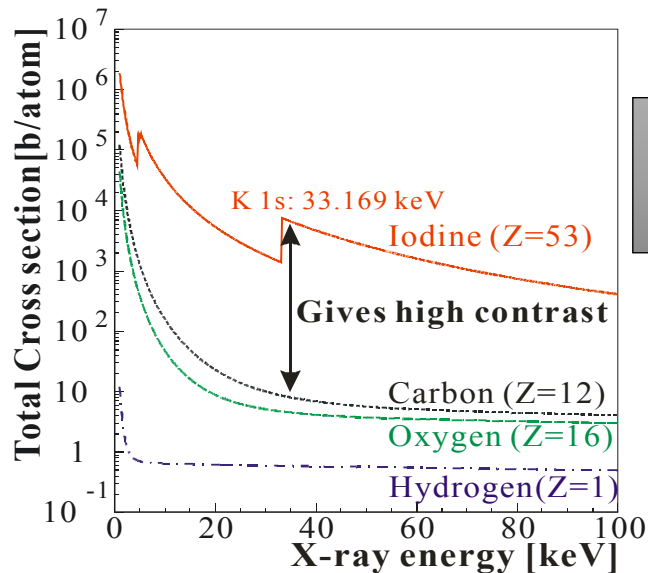
## • Search for glioblastoms therapy

- Locate platinum (cisplatine) inside tumor cells (rat brains)
- Shoot with 78keV X-ray (platinum K-shell)
- Observed ~700% increase of life time
- Observed 34% survivals after 1 year ...  
Biston et al. Cancer reas.64(2004)2317

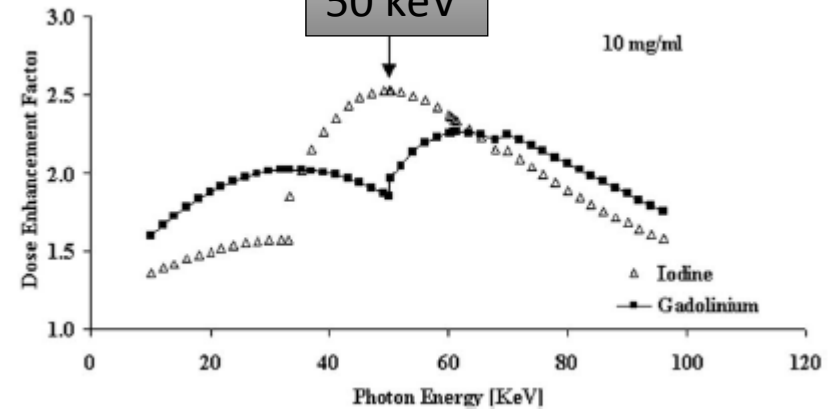


## • X-ray bandwidth need :

e.g. iodine contrast agent (ongoing human trial at ESRF)



But relative to water absorption





**Producing 50keV-80keV X-rays with a bandwidth of few %  
→ can be done with Compton machines**

However, a routine use of synchrotron light for human treatment will necessitate the development of new X-ray monochromatic sources devoted to medical use. The next decade should be productive in developing such technology.



[S. Corde et al. cancer reas. 63 (2003)3221]

## **Requested fluxes :**

- **Radiotherapy:  $\sim 10^{13}$  photon/s within  $DE/E=10\%$  and  $E_x=50-90\text{keV}$** 
  - **Would provide flux closed to ESRF trial (Jacquet et al. Phys. Med. 31(2015)596)**
  - **X-rays produced in a cone  $\sim 10\text{mrad}$**
- **→  $\sim 500\text{kW}$  laser average power needed for ThomX**

# Summary

- Compact Compton Thomson machine under construction
  - Building construction in 2016 at LAL-Orsay/Paris-sud university
  - Installation end 2016 → 2017
  - Commissioning end 2017 → 2018
- Expected performances of 45-90 keV @  $10^{11} - 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}$ 
  - Imaging & radiotherapy studies planned
- Room for upgrading performances
  - Beam dynamics
  - Laser power & optical cavity developments