

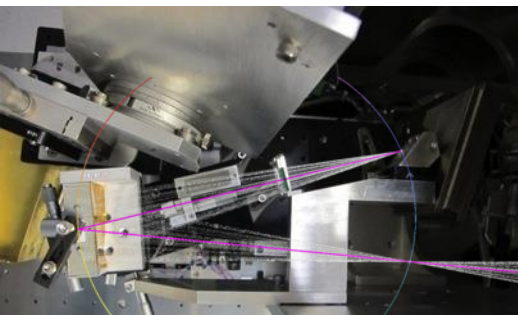
Applications for UXI Imagers on Z

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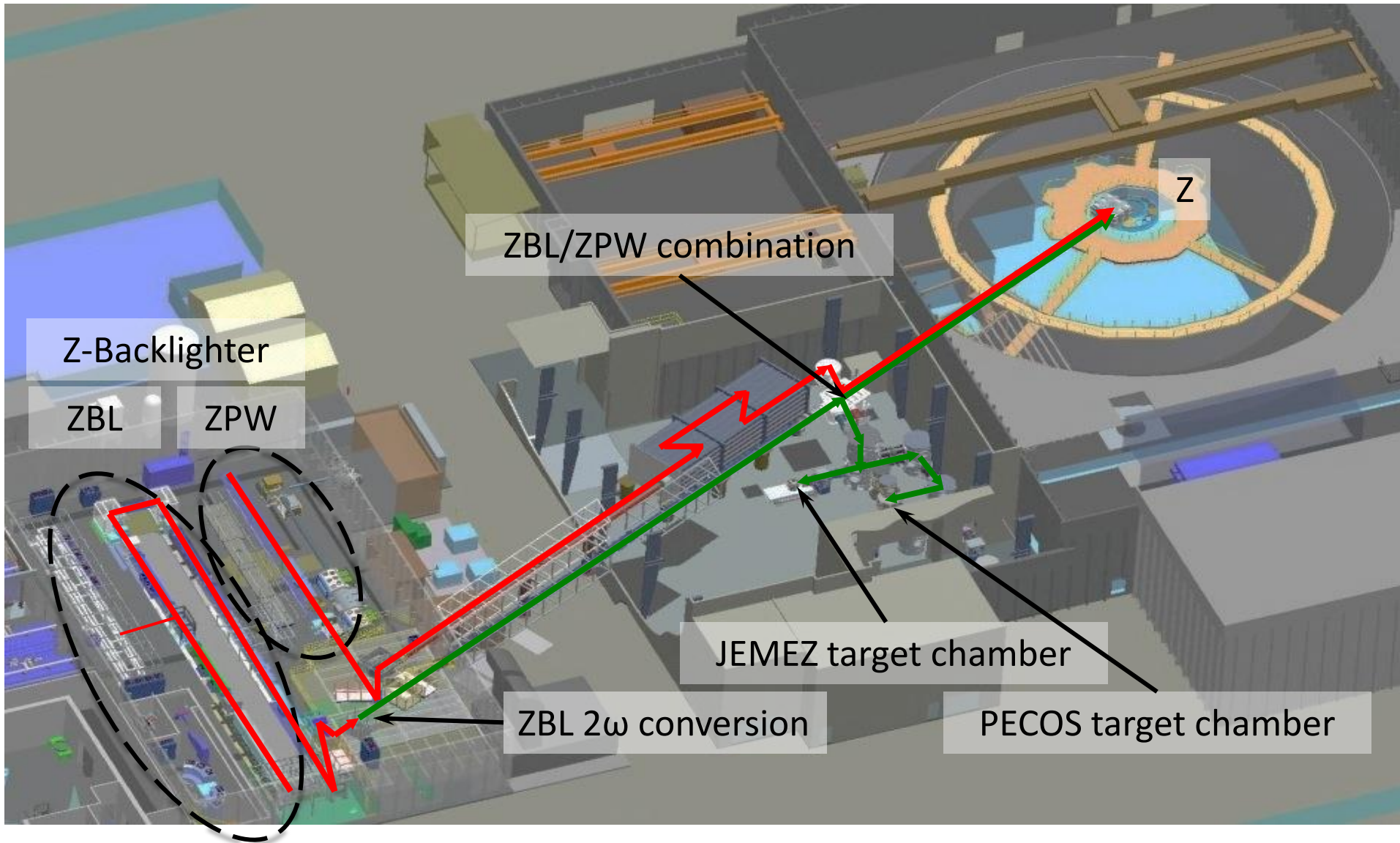
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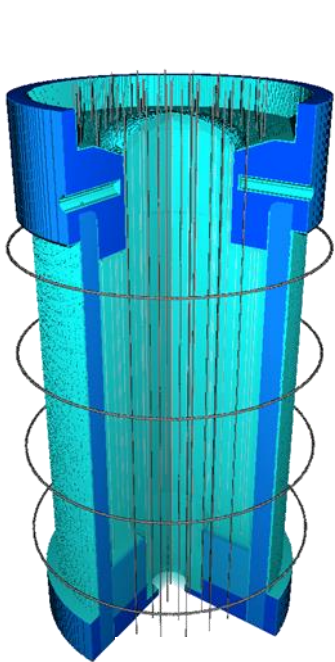
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Facility Overview

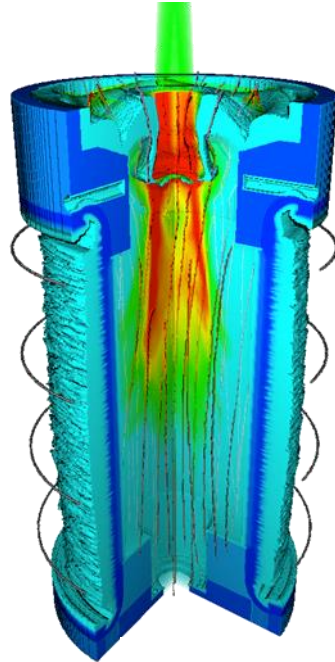


UXI for Magnetized Liner Inertial Fusion (MagLIF) Experiments

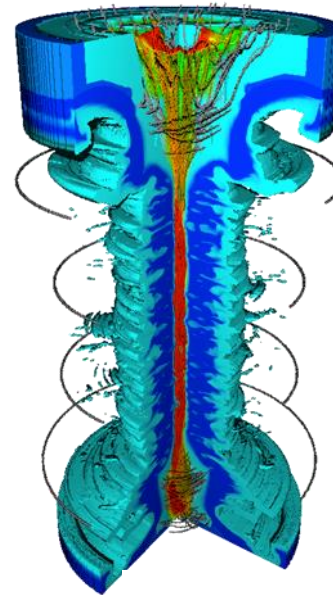
Magnetized Liner Inertial Fusion



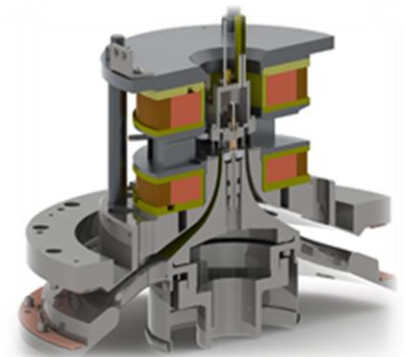
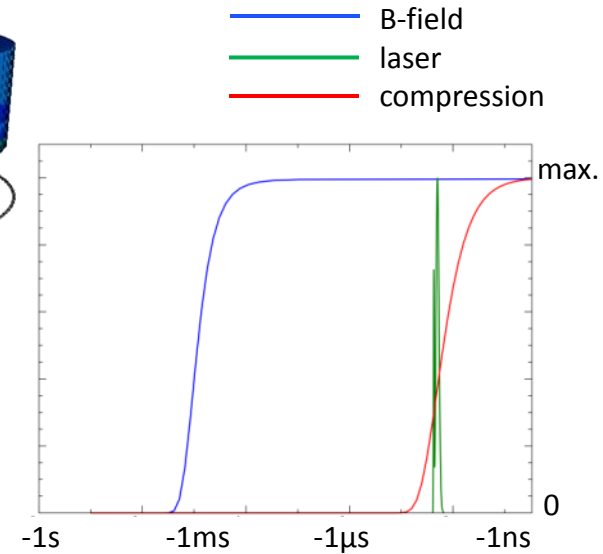
Magnetization
with external B-Field
(ABZ, 10-30 T)



Laser heating
with Z-Beamlet
(2-6 kJ @ 2-6 ns)

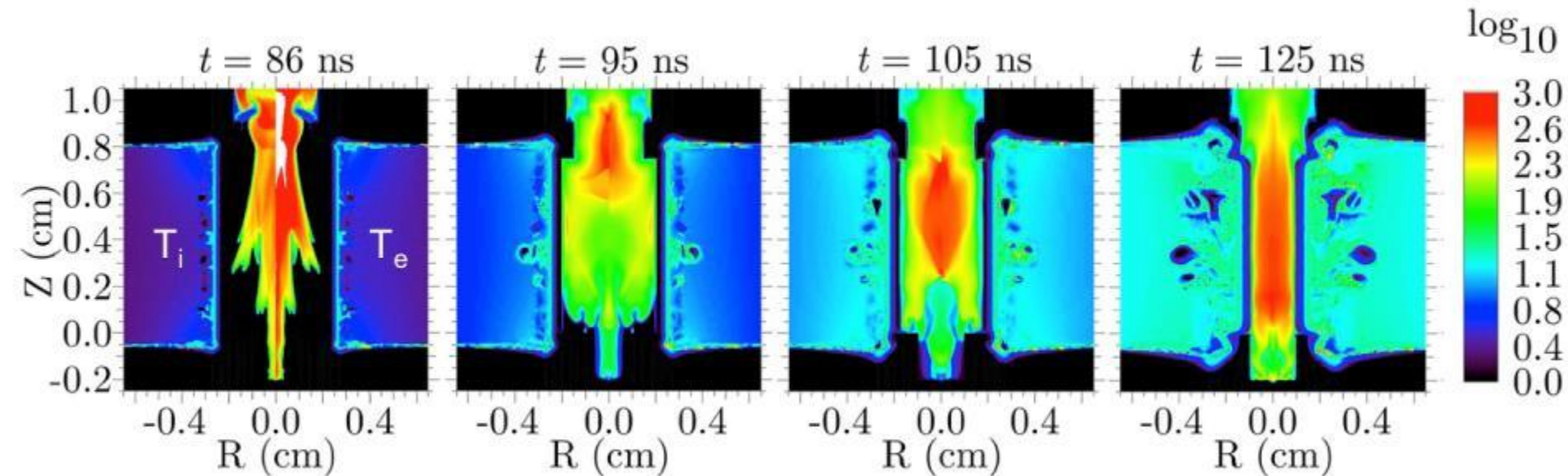


Compression
with Z



Simulated temperature evolution of a MagLIF experiment

- Parameters:
 - $E_{\text{las}} = 2.2$ kJ, 2 ns pulse with 0.5 ns picket at 2.5 ns prior to main pulse
 - Liner: AR = 6, L = 7.5 mm, 1.5 mg/cc D₂, $r_o = 2.79$ mm, $r = 1.5$ mm LEH
- Temperature evolution:
 - 4 ns after laser pulse ($t_0 = 80$ ns): $kT_e \approx 1$ keV
 - 13 ns later: $kT_e \approx 100$ eV
 - 23 ns later: $kT_e \approx 300$ eV



Use noble gas as diagnostics tracer for temperature measurement

- 1D laser bremsstrahlung absorption model
- Fixed absorption length: 7.5 mm
- Fixed laser energy: 2 kJ

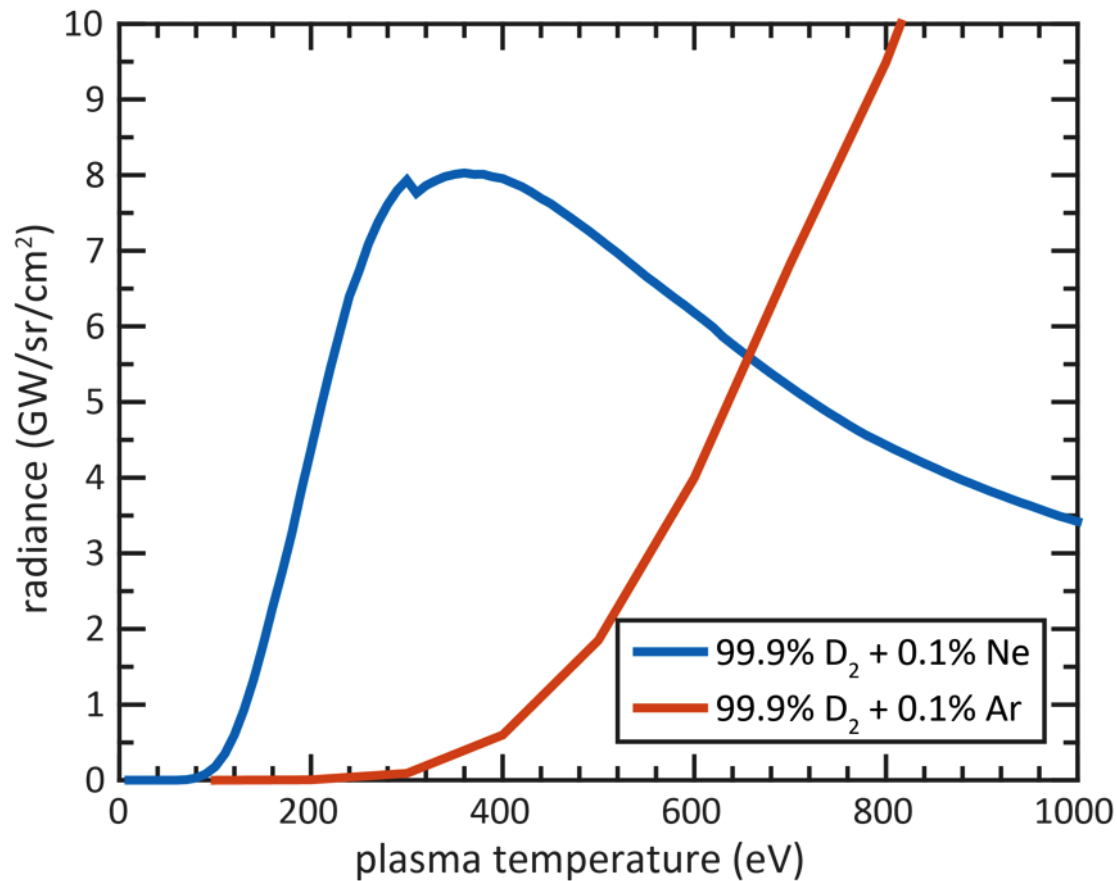
Fill Gas or Mixture	Fill Pressure (atm)	T_e (eV)	n_e ($\times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$)	n_i ($\times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$)	Average ionization
D₂	15.6	861	4.06	4.06	1
D ₂ + 1% Ar	13.4	932	4.00	3.48	1.15
D₂ + 0.1% Ar	15.3	869	4.00	3.98	1.008
D ₂ + 1% Ne	14.1	911	4.00	3.67	1.09
D₂ + 0.1% Ne	15.4	868	4.04	4.00	1.01

- 0.1 % of Ne/Ar does not change laser absorption compared to pure D₂
- However, A.B. Sefkow's simulations indicate 50% n yield degradation for 0.1% Ar

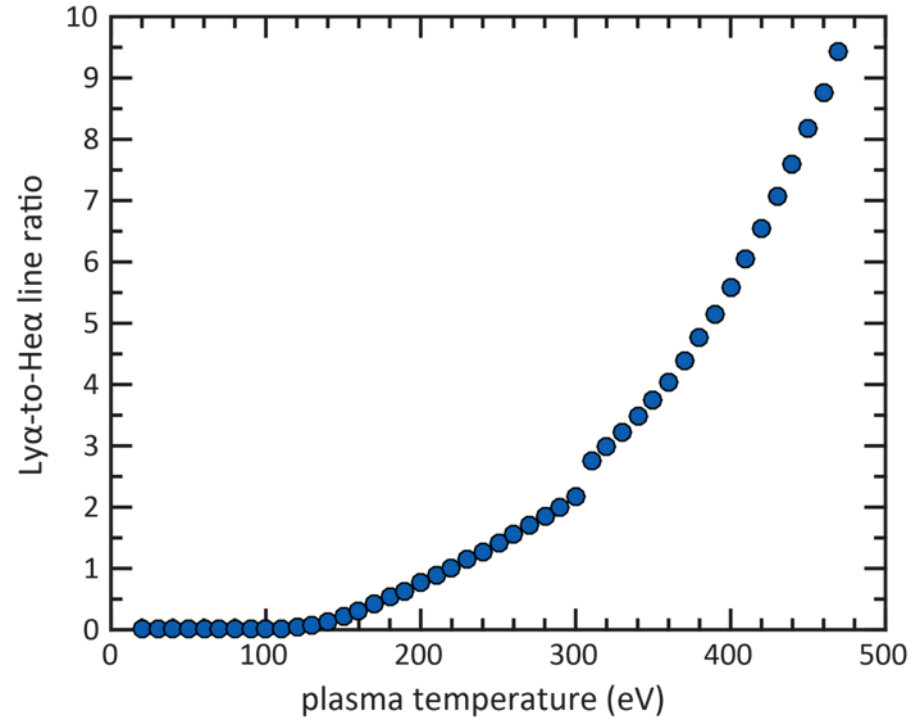
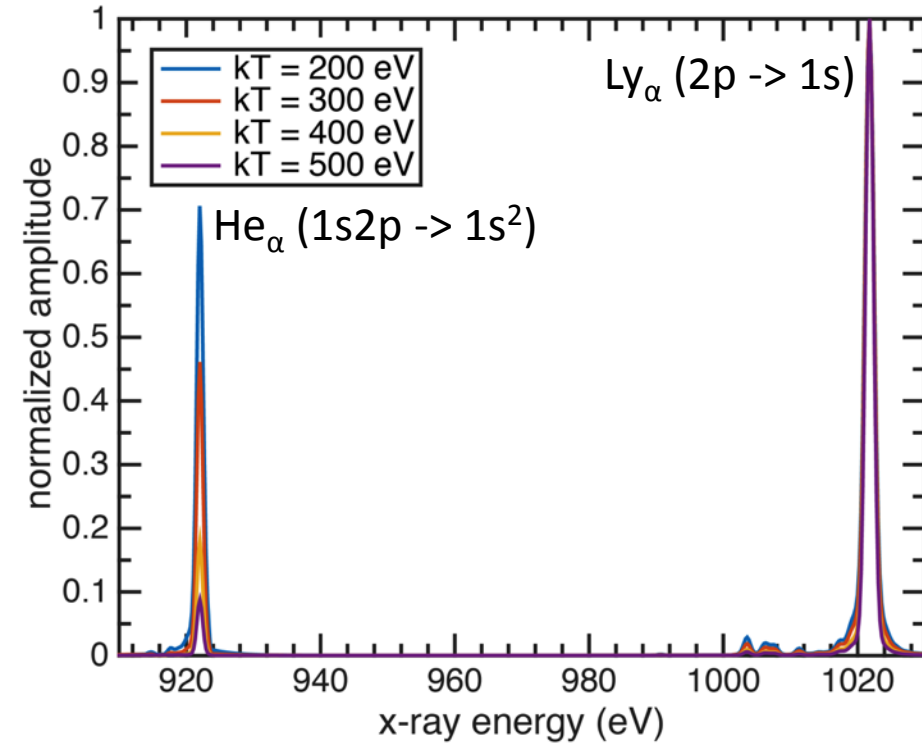
Ne and Ar integrated radiance calculations

PrismSPECT simulations:

- Planar geometry, 1 cm long
- Steady-state, 1-T Maxwellian, Non-LTE
- Integral over H-like, He-like spectral lines



Ne spectra vs. plasma temperature



Axial Imaging and Thermometry (AXIAT)

Deliverable:

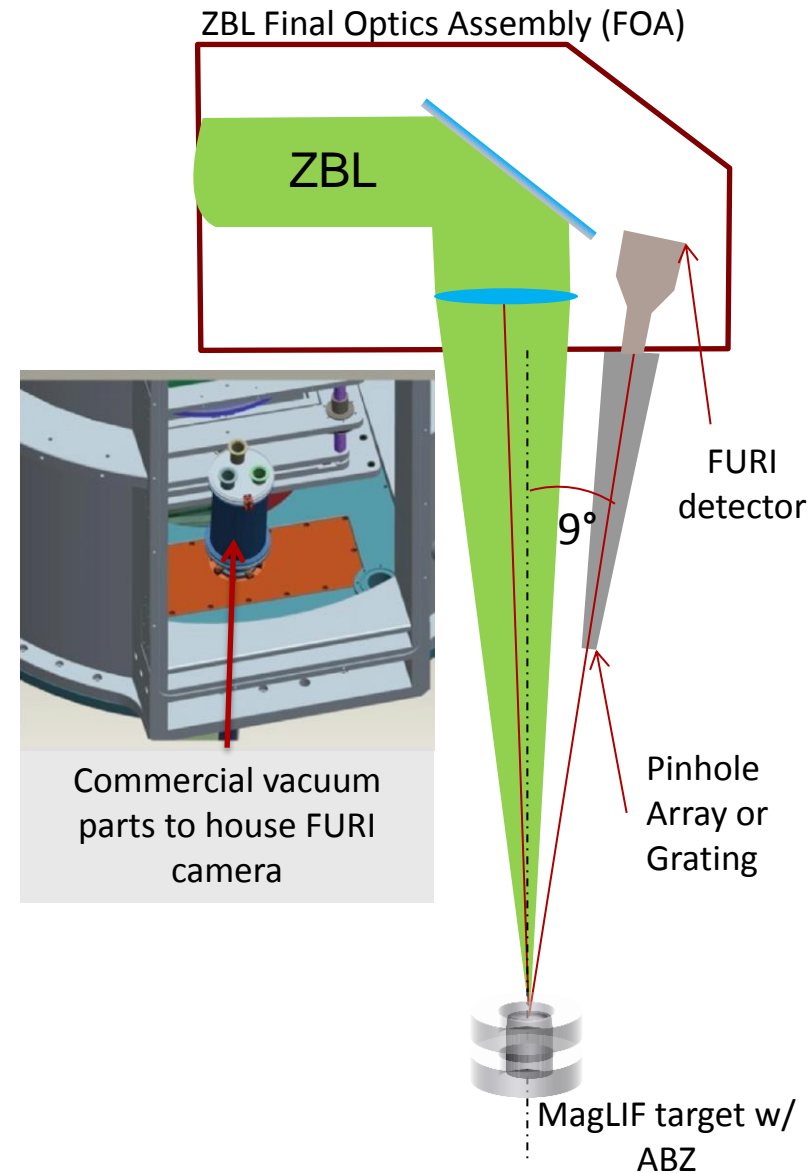
$k_B T_{e,i}(r,z,t)$ during and shortly after laser irradiation

Technique:

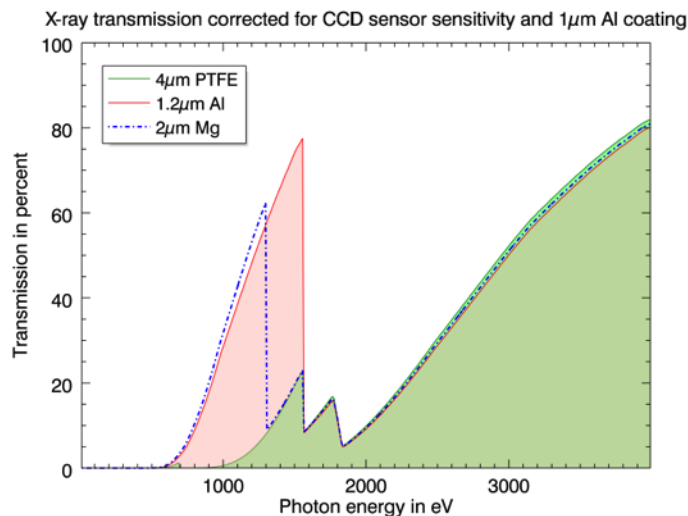
Time-gated x-ray emission spectroscopy & pyrometry of Ne tracer gas

Implementation:

1. Field X-ray pinhole camera in FOA (FURI)
2. Assess temperatures based on Ross-filtered images from 1
3. Field spectrometer in FOA to measure plasma temperature from H- and He-like ion line ratios (FURI)
4. Benchmark detectors with blastwave experiments in PECOS target chamber (FURI, HIPPOGRIFF)



Ross filter pairs to discriminate Ne



Ross filter pairs can discriminate Ne-emission from background

Everything else

Mg filtered data

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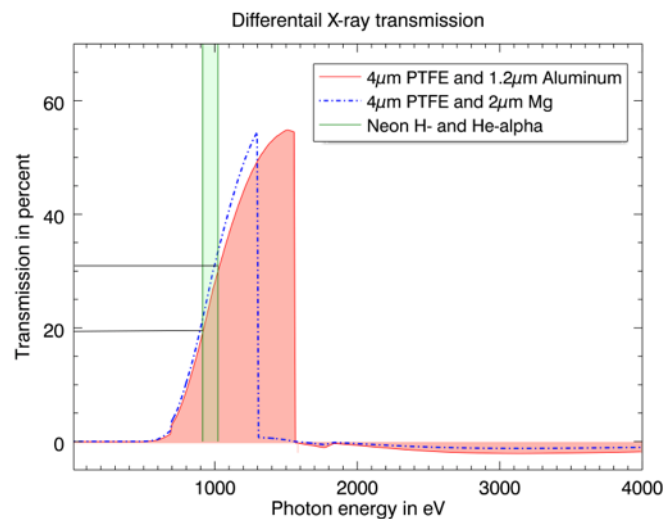
Everything else

PTFE filtered data

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NEON

difference



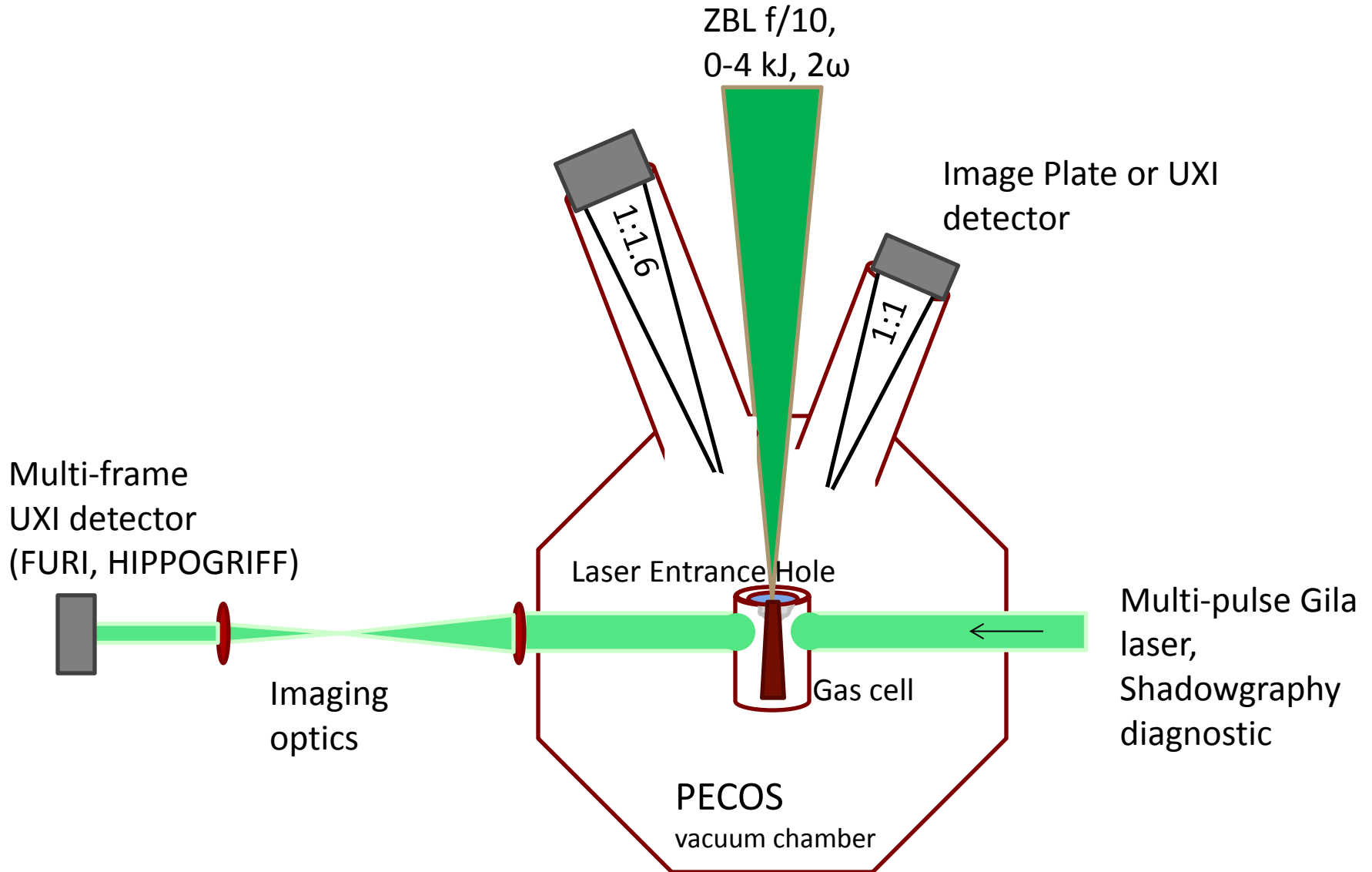
Pinhole camera photometrics

- Assumptions:
 - 1:1 magnification, 300 μm diameter in 1.5 m distance
 - PHC images whole LEH ($r = 1.5 \text{ mm}$), area A_{LEH} : 0.07 cm^2

- Source Radiance $d^2\Phi/(dAd\Omega)$: $5 \times 10^9 \text{ W/cm}^2/\text{sr}$
- PHC solid angle $d\Omega$: $3.14 \times 10^{-8} \text{ sr}$
- Filter/LEH transmission* T_{total} : 0.2
- Emitted energy in **5 ns**, $E_{\text{ph}} = d^2\Phi/(dAd\Omega) \times d\Omega \times dA_{\text{LEH}} \times T_{\text{total}} \times 5 \text{ ns}$: 11 nJ
- Total number of 1 keV photons: 7×10^7
- Number of pixels $A_{\text{LEH}}/(25 \mu\text{m})^2$: 11,200
- Photons per pixel: 6100
- Signal:
 - **FURI (DQE \approx 50%): $\approx 10^6 \text{ e}^-$**
 - IP: $\approx 1 \text{ PSL}$

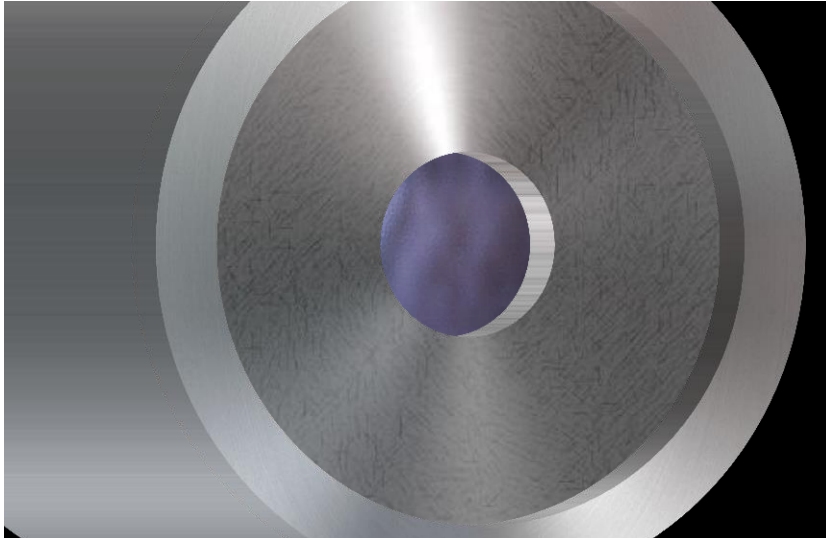
*1 μm Al on FURI, 2 μm polyimide LEH, 1.2 μm Al Ross filter

Calibration experiments @ PECOS

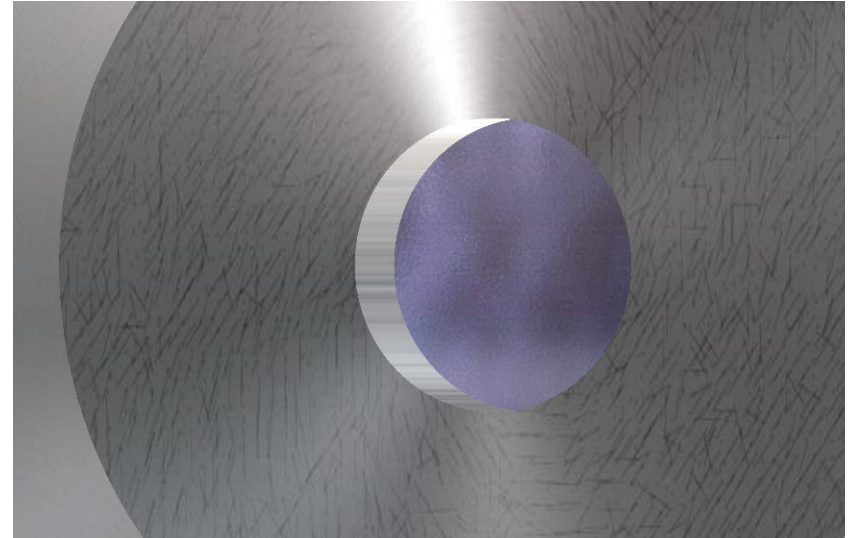


PHC Anticipated Field of View

North-East Viewport



North-West Viewport

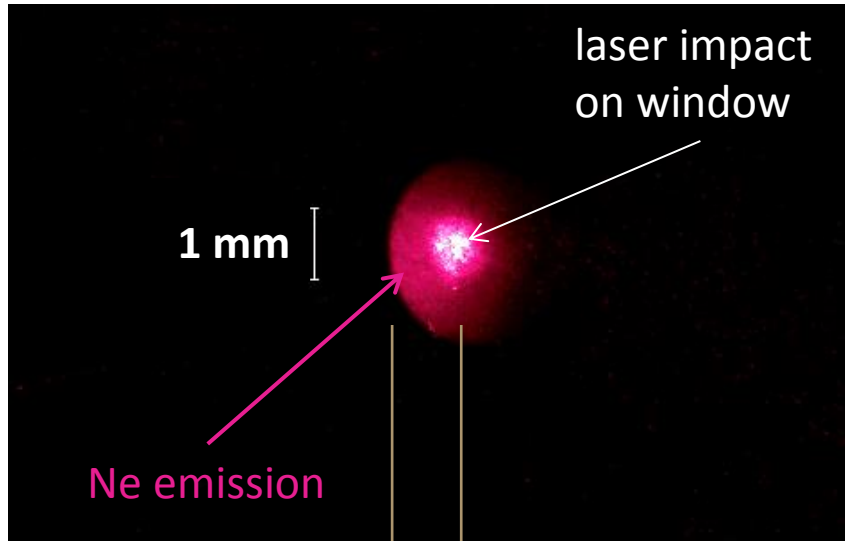


New FOA Prototype Pinhole Camera
100 μm pinhole
Magnification 1:1
Detector: Image Plate
Resolution (object plane) : $\approx 100 \mu\text{m}$

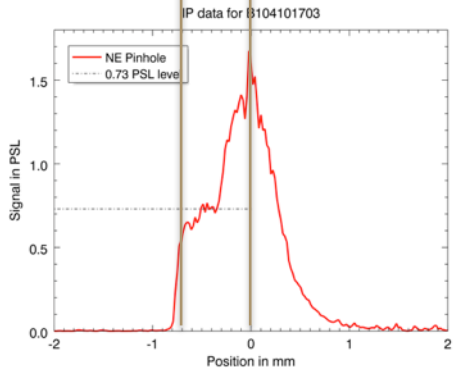
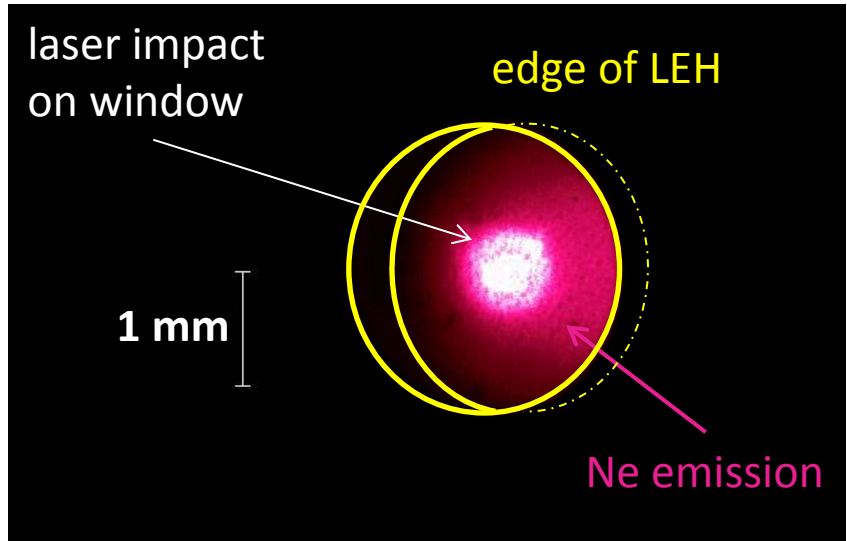
Pecos Pinhole Camera
100 μm pinhole
Magnification 1.6:1
Detector: CCD
Resolution (object plane): $\approx 80 \mu\text{m}$

Neon Emission on ZBL shot B14101703 (270 torr Ne)

North-East Viewport



North-West Viewport



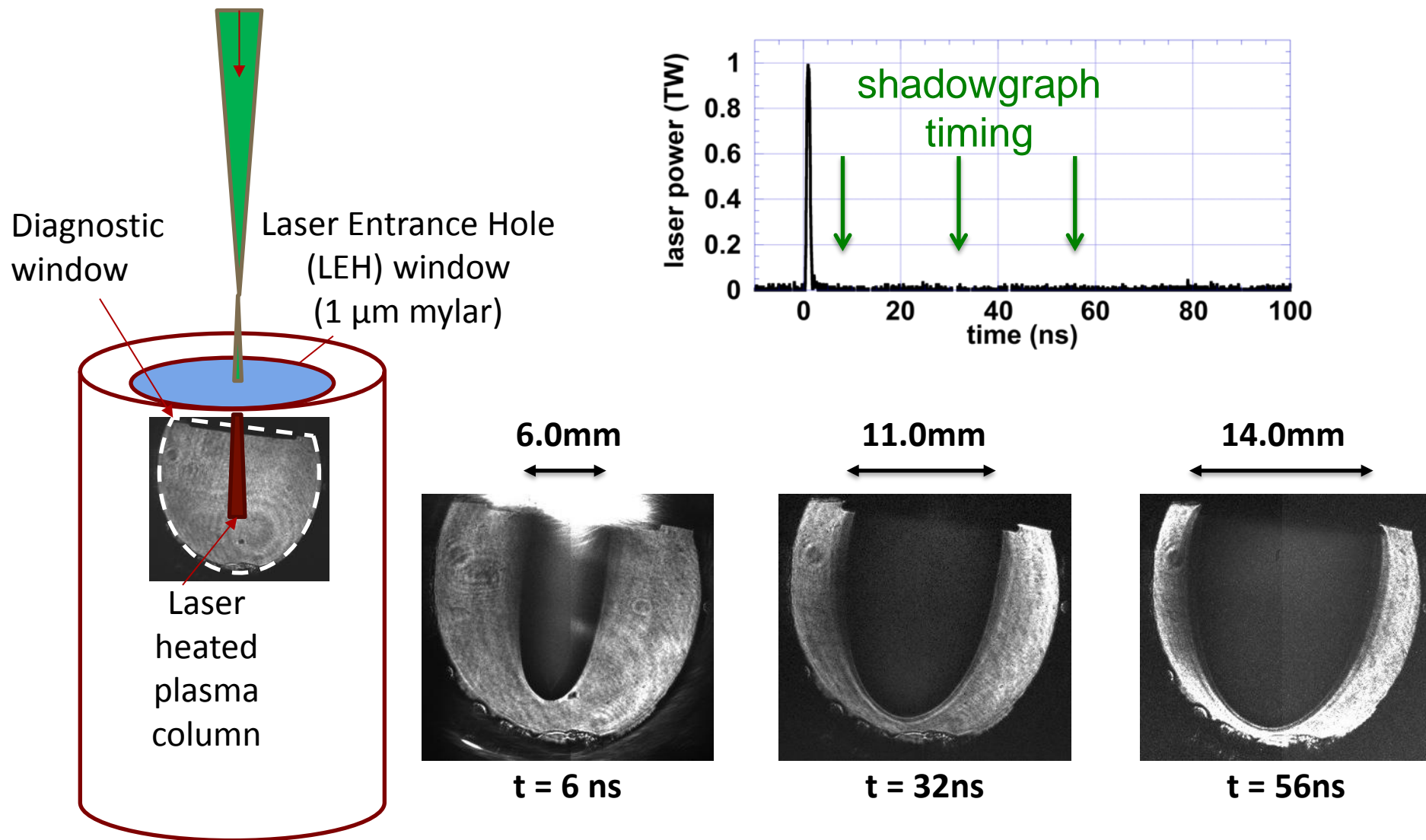
Signal estimate:

- Laser pulse: 0.5ns (pre) + 2ns (main)
- Pulse duration behind window: ≈ 1 ns
- Ne radiance (300 eV): 2×10^{10} W/cm²/sr
- IP response: 1.8×10^{-4} PSL/phot.
- Filter transmission: 0.28

Prediction for IP signal at $kT_e > 200$ eV: **1-2 PSL**

Measurement (corrected for fading): **1.6 PSL**

Laser launches cylindrical blast wave



Blastwaves can be used to diagnose energy deposition

- Blastwave radius with time: $R(t) = C \left(\frac{E}{\rho_0} \right)^{1/5} t^{2/5}$
- Adiabatic index of 1.4 for diatomic gas: $C = 1$

$$E = \frac{\rho_0 R^5}{t^2}$$

- Experimental $R(t)$ give a typical BW energy ≈ 80 - 100 J for a 1 kJ ZBL shot (without beam smoothing)

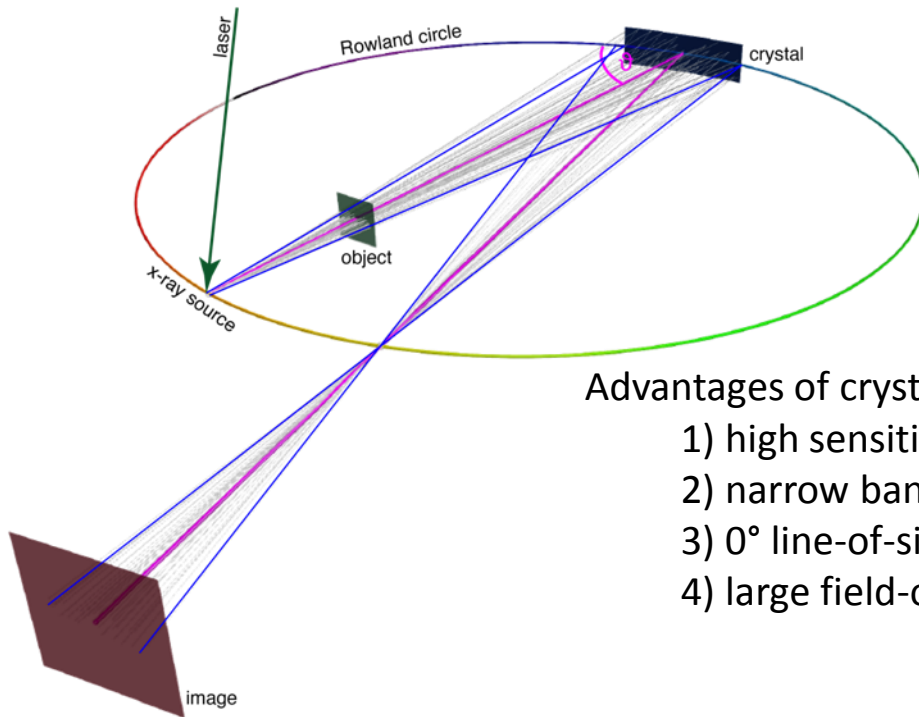
Summary: UXI cameras for MagLIF

- Diagnose the gas temperature evolution during and after the laser-heating phase:
 - PHC camera requirements:
 - 1-10 ns exposure time
 - >2 frames
 - Sensor calibrated for 1 keV x-rays
 - UXI in Final Optics Assembly on Z
 - Blastwave camera requirements:
 - 1-10 ns exposure time (gated by laser pulses)
 - >4 frames
 - Sensor sensitive to 532 nm
 - UXI outside of vacuum chamber

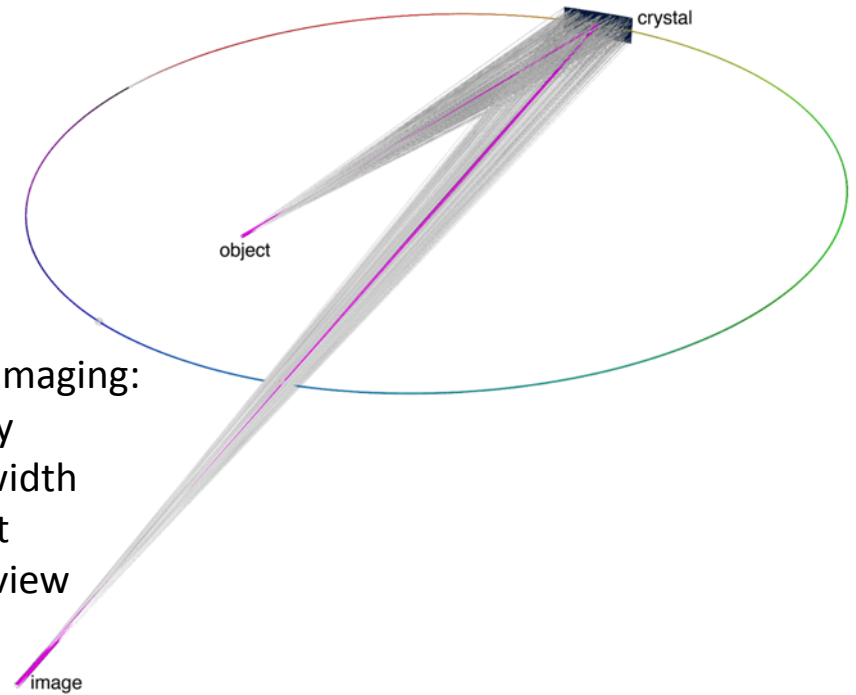
Time-sequence x-ray imaging of Z experiments

X-ray imaging with spherical crystals

Backlighting



Imaging



Advantages of crystal imaging:

- 1) high sensitivity
- 2) narrow bandwidth
- 3) 0° line-of-sight
- 4) large field-of-view

Diagnose dynamics of imploding liners:

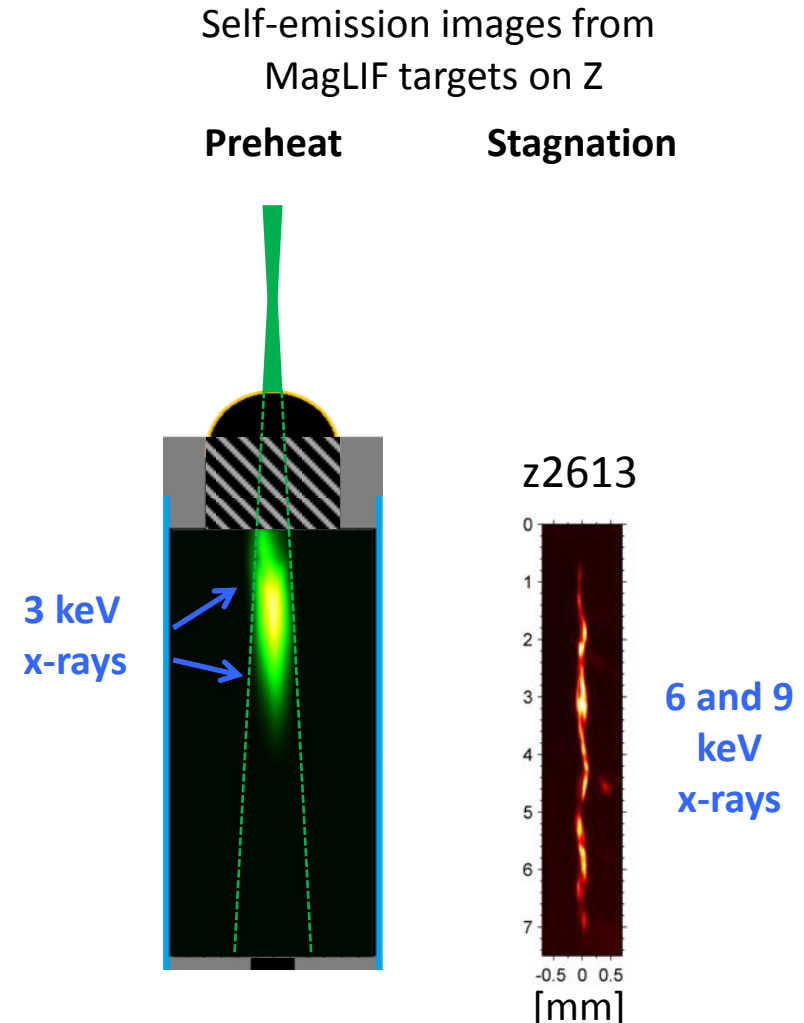
- for EOS studies (liner radius vs. time)
- for hydrodynamic stability studies

Diagnose MagLIF experiments:

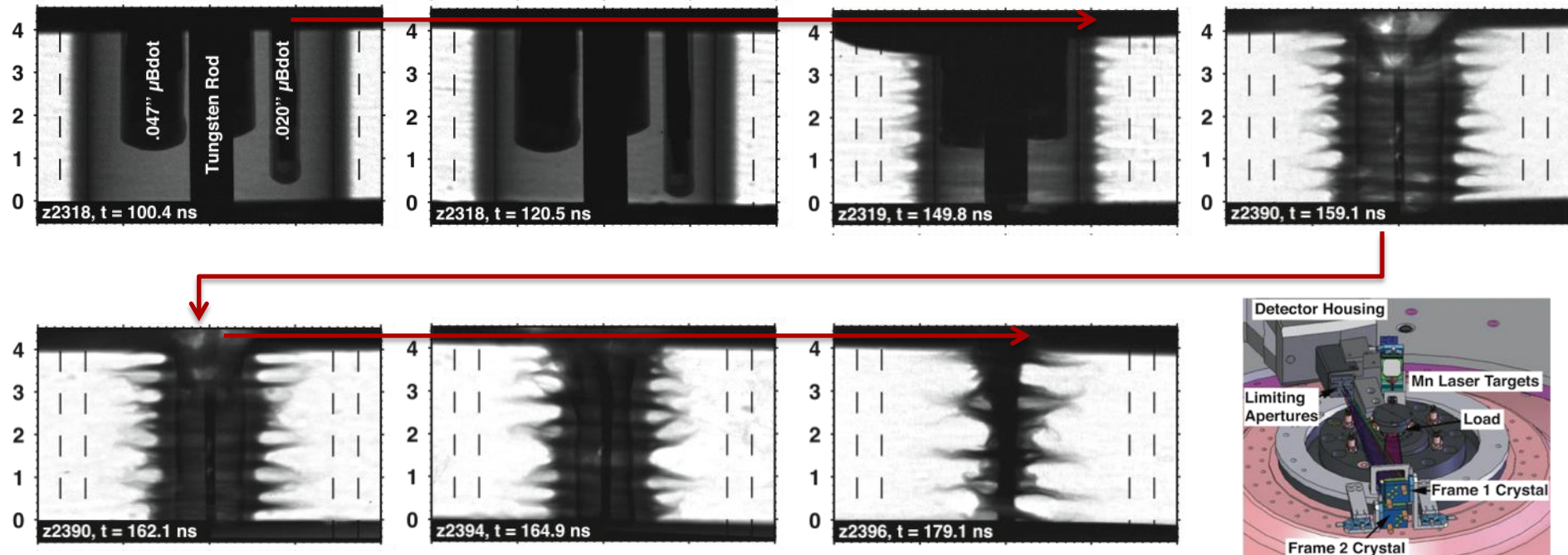
- 3.1 keV Ar emission during laser preheat
- 6 & 9 keV x-ray emission during stagnation

Time integrated, self-emission imaging

- X-ray imaging has provided valuable data for MagLIF and is now being extended to other targets on Z
- Outstanding question:
How does the spatial structure of the emission vary with time?
- Time dependent data will help us better understand the liner stability at stagnation
- With UXI, preheat and stagnation images could be captured in one shot



Imploding liner 'movies' require several shots



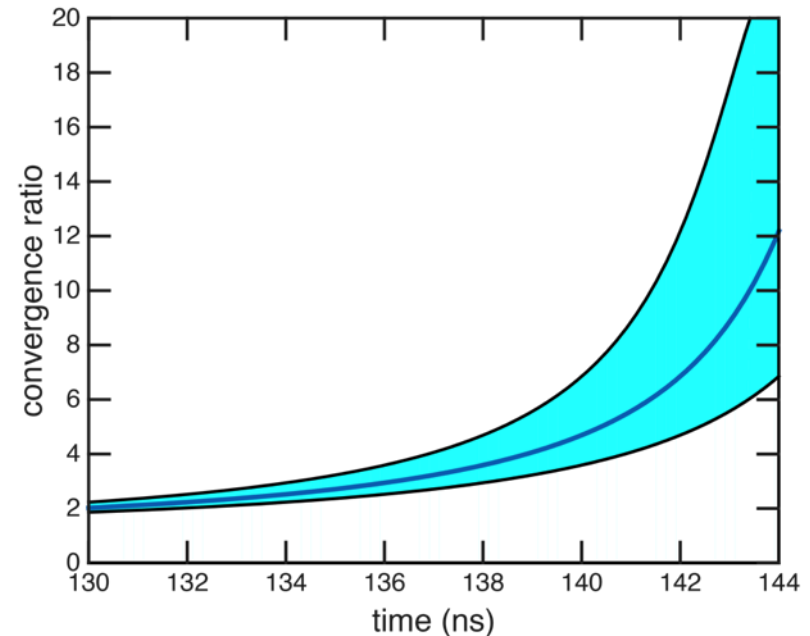
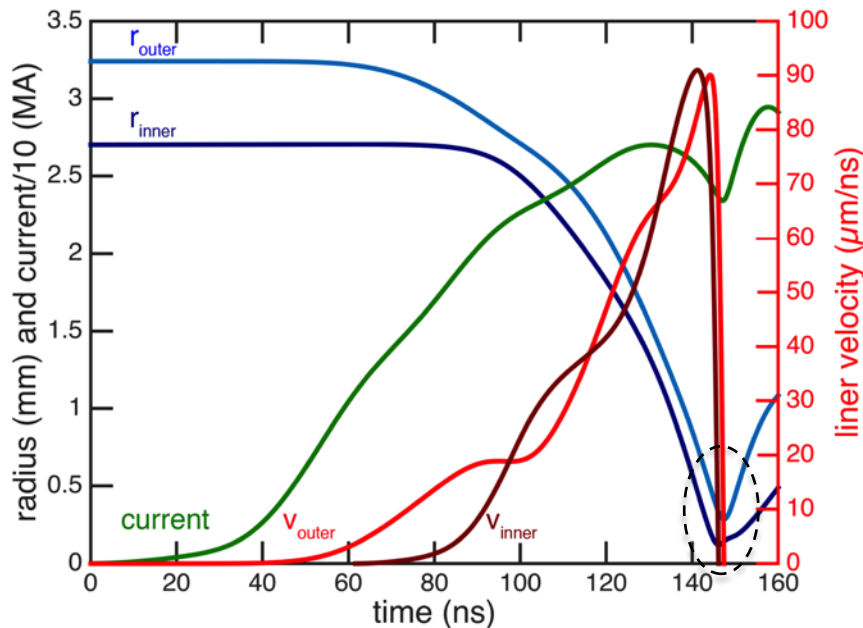
This series: 7 frames, 4 Z shots

- 8 crystals + 4 hardware sets consumed
- $\Delta t = 80$ ns, ≈ 20 ns inter-frame time
- Could be replaced by $2 \times \text{UXI}$ with 4 frames to record movie in single shot
- Time-gating performed by ZBL x-ray pulse, relaxes constraints on gate time

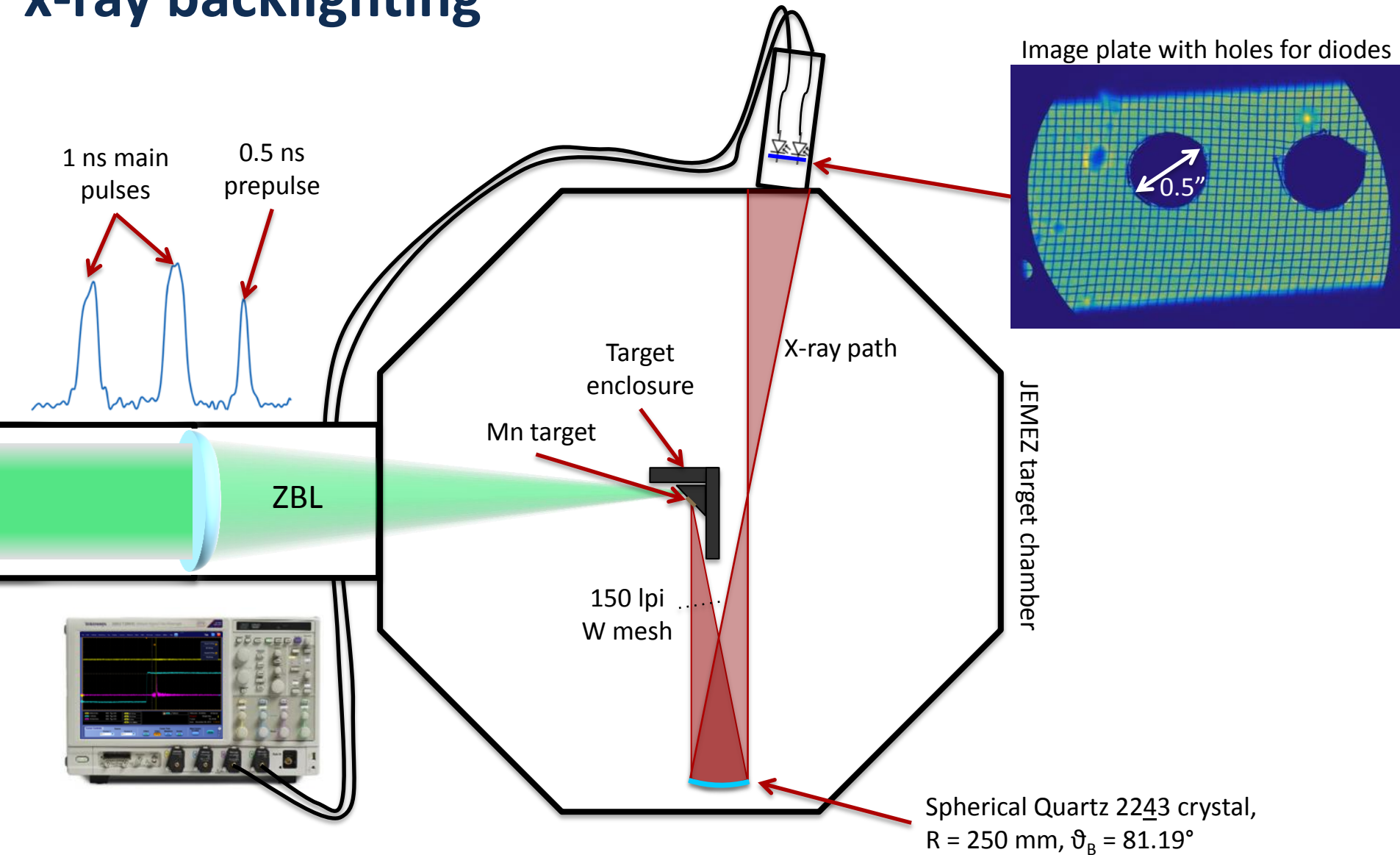
Timing jitter complicates assessment of stagnation conditions

- 1D model data by R.D. McBride
- Similar to MagLIF point design:
 - Beryllium liner with $r_{\text{outer}} = 3.24$ mm, AR = 6
 - $B_0 = 30$ T, $\rho_{\text{fuel},0} = 3$ mg/cc, $kT_{\text{fuel},0} = 250$ eV

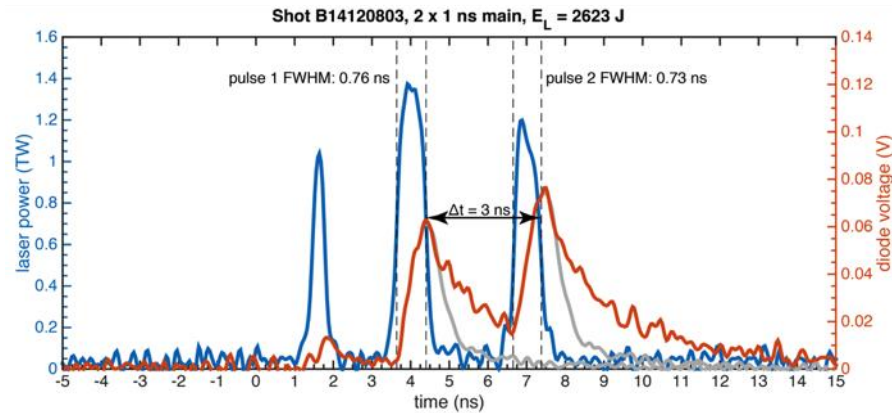
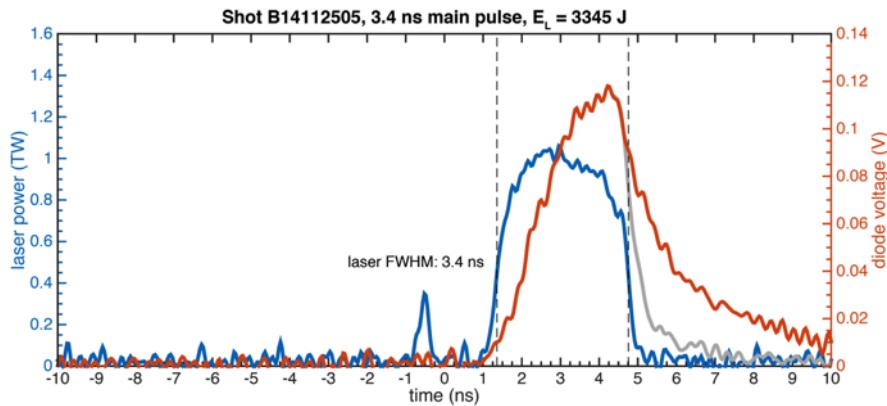
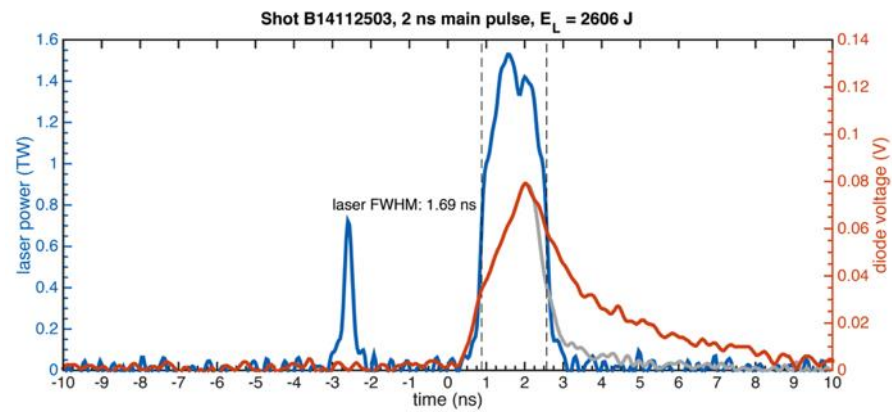
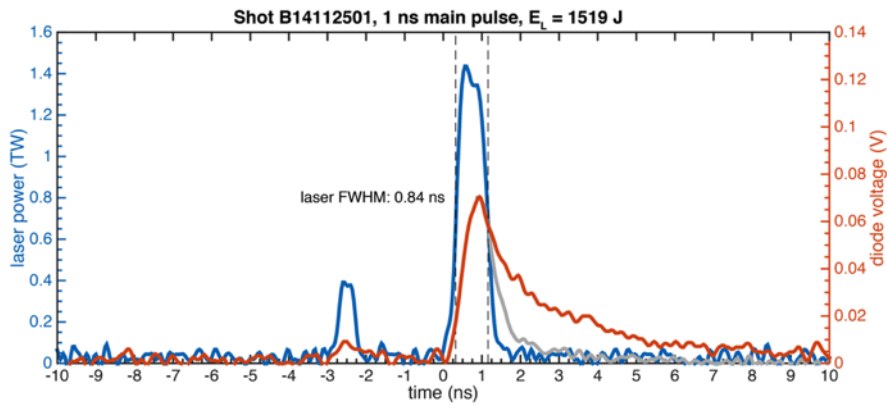
- Jitter of Z is ± 2 ns, which leads to “hit or miss” for $C_R > 5$
- **Need more frames per shot to increase data return and likelihood of capturing liner near stagnation**



Single line-of-sight, multi-pulse, 6.1 keV x-ray backlighting



6.151 keV x-ray pulse follows laser pulse



A FURI camera with blocked sensor has been successfully tested on a similar shot. Full exposure shots will follow next.

A multi-frame, single LOS, gated detector is needed to provide the desired temporal resolution for imaging

Experiment ¹	Gate time	Min. Inter-frame delay	# of frames	FOV at target or Detector size	X-ray Detection Range	UXI device
MagLIF preheat imaging ²	1 ns	1 ns	4-8	1 x 0.6 cm (6 x 3.6 cm)	3 to 5 keV	Acca (tiling)
MagLIF stagnation imaging ²	0.25 to 0.5 ns	0.5 ns	8-16	1 x 0.1 cm (6 x 0.6 cm)	6 and 9 keV (possibly 12 keV)	Acca (tiling)
Backlighting ³	3-4 ns	2 ns	2	1 x 0.5 cm (6 x 3 cm)	6-8 keV	Acca (tiling)

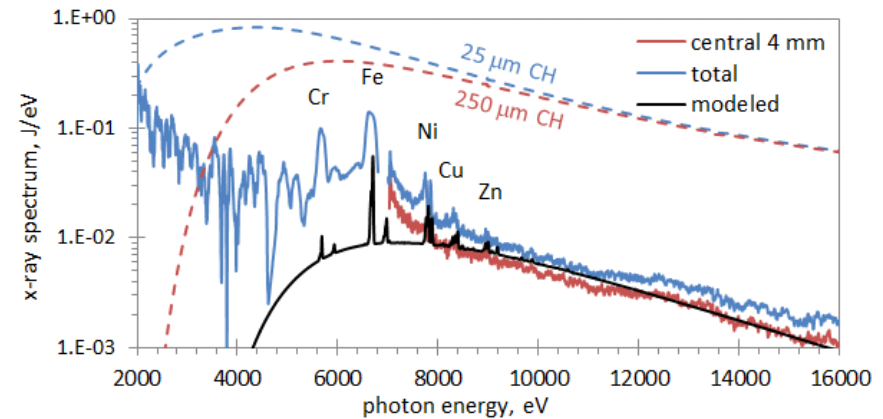
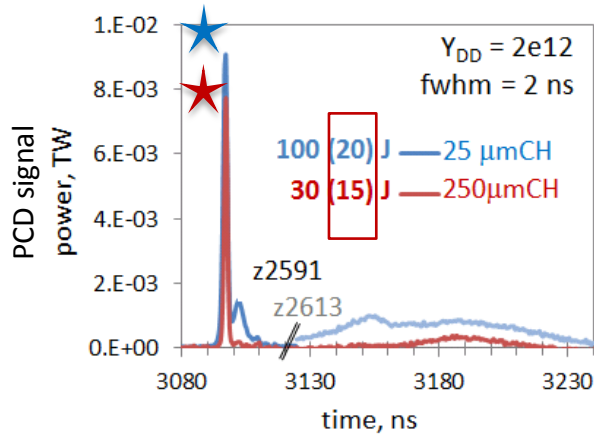
¹All experiments may benefit from the removal of early/late-time background signals

²At present, the imager is setup for an image magnification of 6x. In this case, 25 x 25 μm pixels will provide good resolution

³Time-gating performed by laser pulses

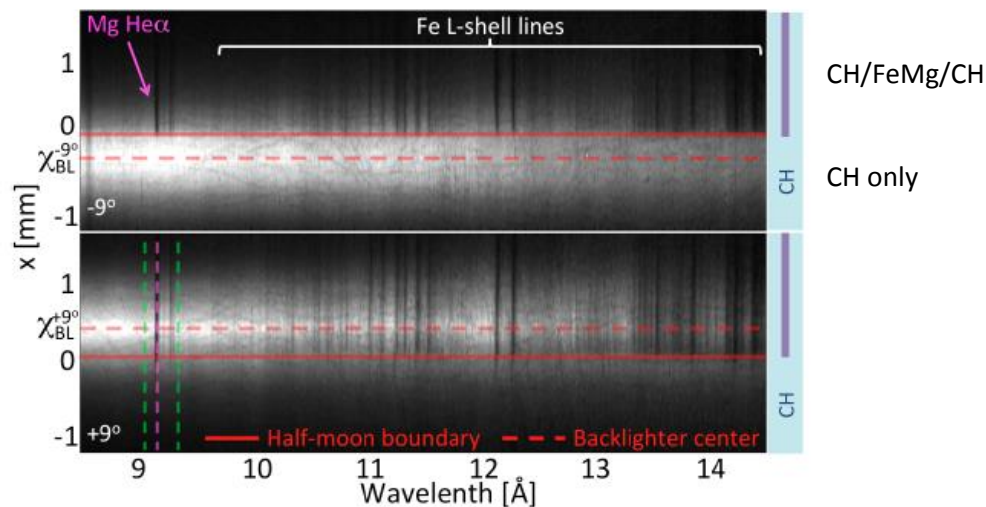
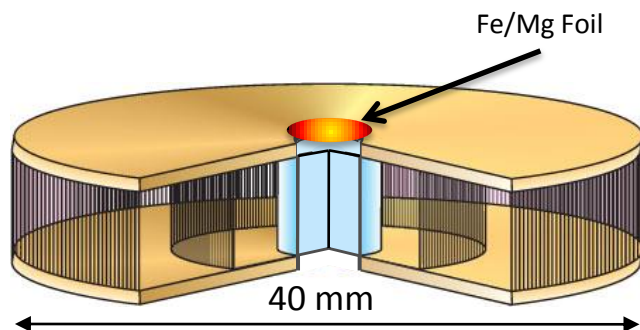
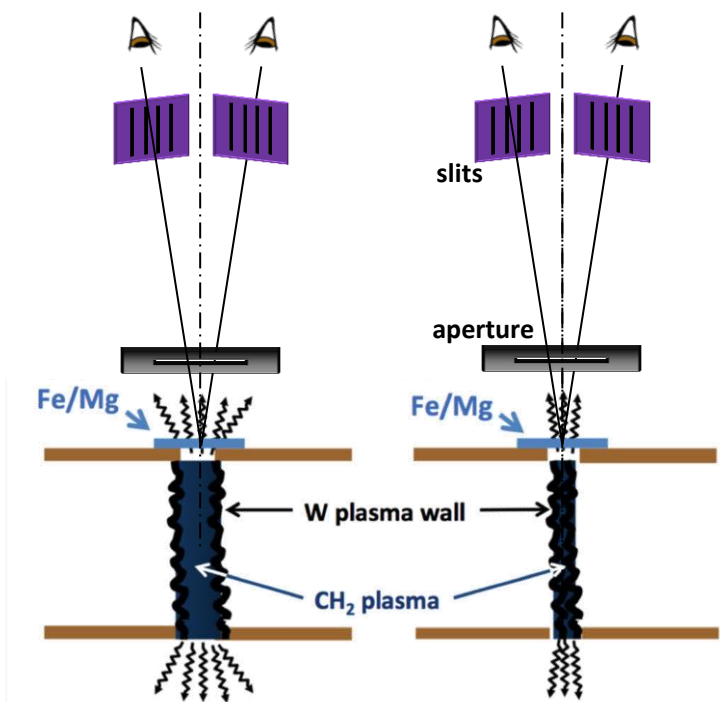
Time-gated, absolute spectroscopy

Calibrated, time-gated spectroscopy could be transformative for MagLIF



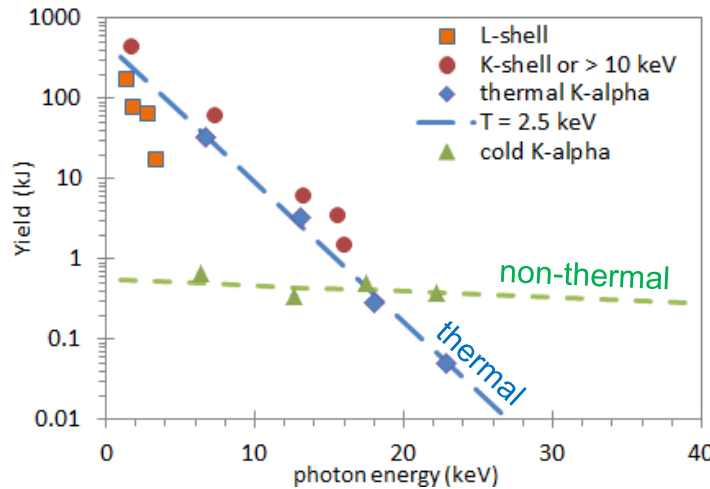
- Photo Conducting Detectors (PCD, $\approx 40\%$ uncertainties) used to “absolutely calibrate” emission spectra \rightarrow infer fuel density and mix at stagnation
- Time-gated spectroscopy with MCPs: poor S/N, poor spatial resolution (especially for $E > 10$ keV), and highly variable response (even across strip)
- Time-gated spectroscopy with UXI detectors could provide deep details about the evolution of T, density, and mix. UXI requirements:
 - 0.5 - 1 ns gates
 - ≈ 25 μ m spatial resolution
 - $E = 4 - 16$ keV
 - In-chamber operation (?) for high S/N of 10–100 J (≈ 10 GW) x-rays through Be

Calibrated, time-gated spectroscopy could have high impact on opacity experiments

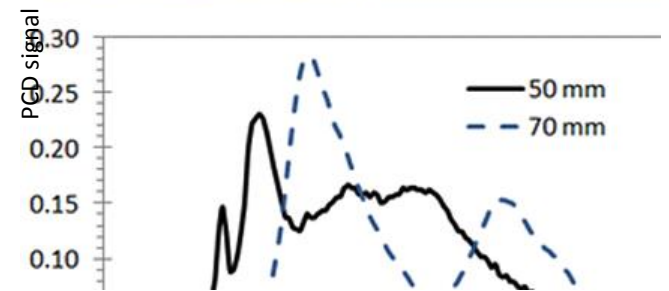
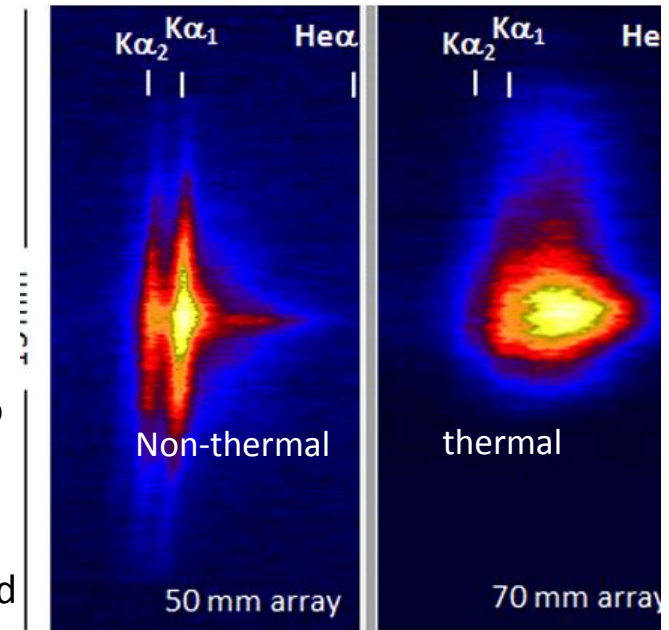


- Multiple simultaneous images (6) used to achieve high S/N
- Instruments need to be cross-calibrated for transmission
- Present system is time-integrated: How does integration of self-emission affect the measurement?
- UXI requirements:
 - ≈ 1 ns gates
 - ≈ 25 μm spatial resolution
 - $E = 0.5 - 2$ keV

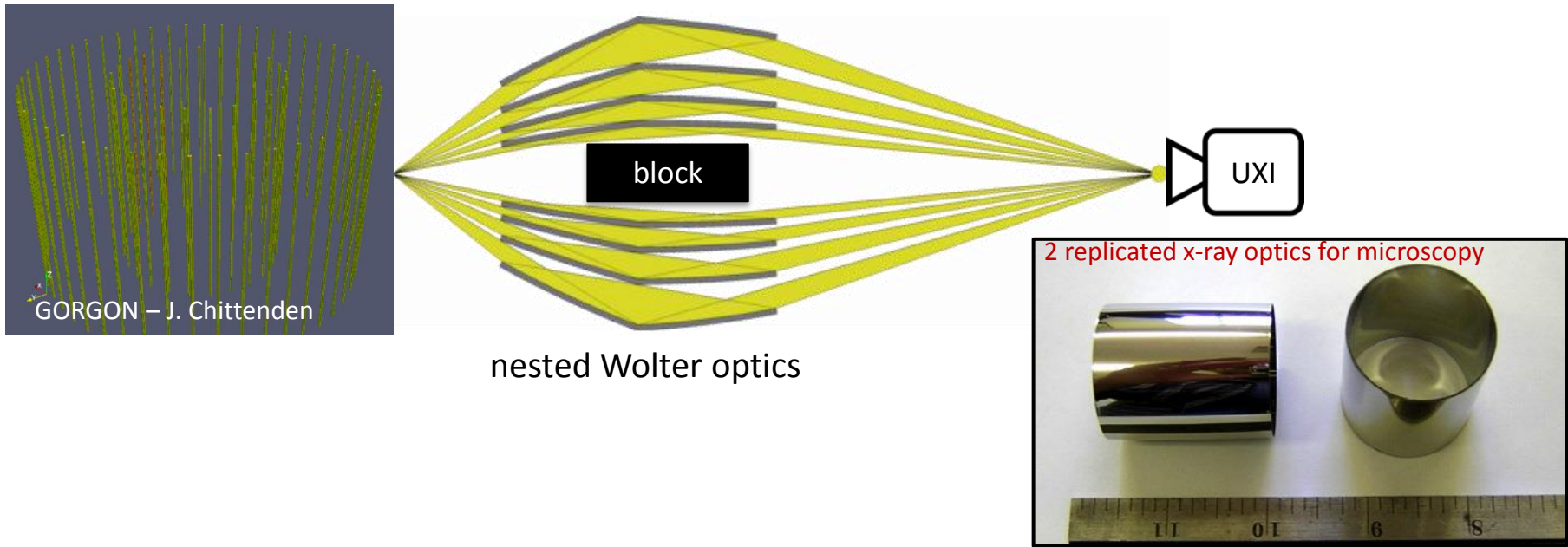
At higher photon energies, time-gated spectroscopy will provide critical information about K_{α} production



- Cold K_{α} emission from wire arrays could be an efficient way to produce high-energy emission (Ampleford LDRD; cf. short-pulse lasers)
- However: yields and hypotheses about non-thermal origin and evolution rely strongly on ill-calibrated PCDs
- UXI requirements:
 - 1 - 2 ns gates
 - ≈ 100 μm spatial resolution
 - $E = 10 - 30$ keV
 - In-chamber operation for high S/N of ≈ 1 kJ (≈ 100 GW) high-energy x-rays

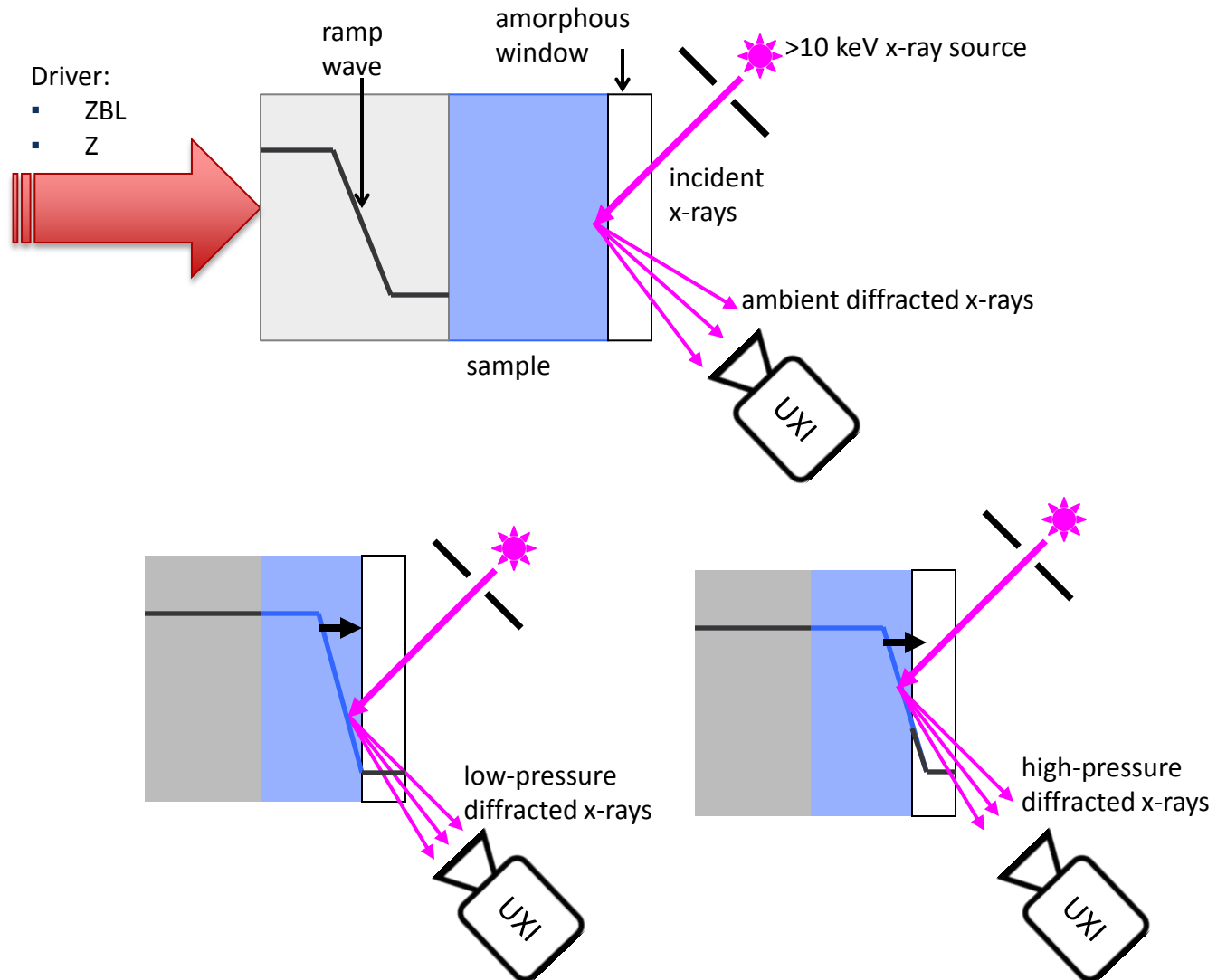


UXI + Wolter microscope for >10 keV imaging

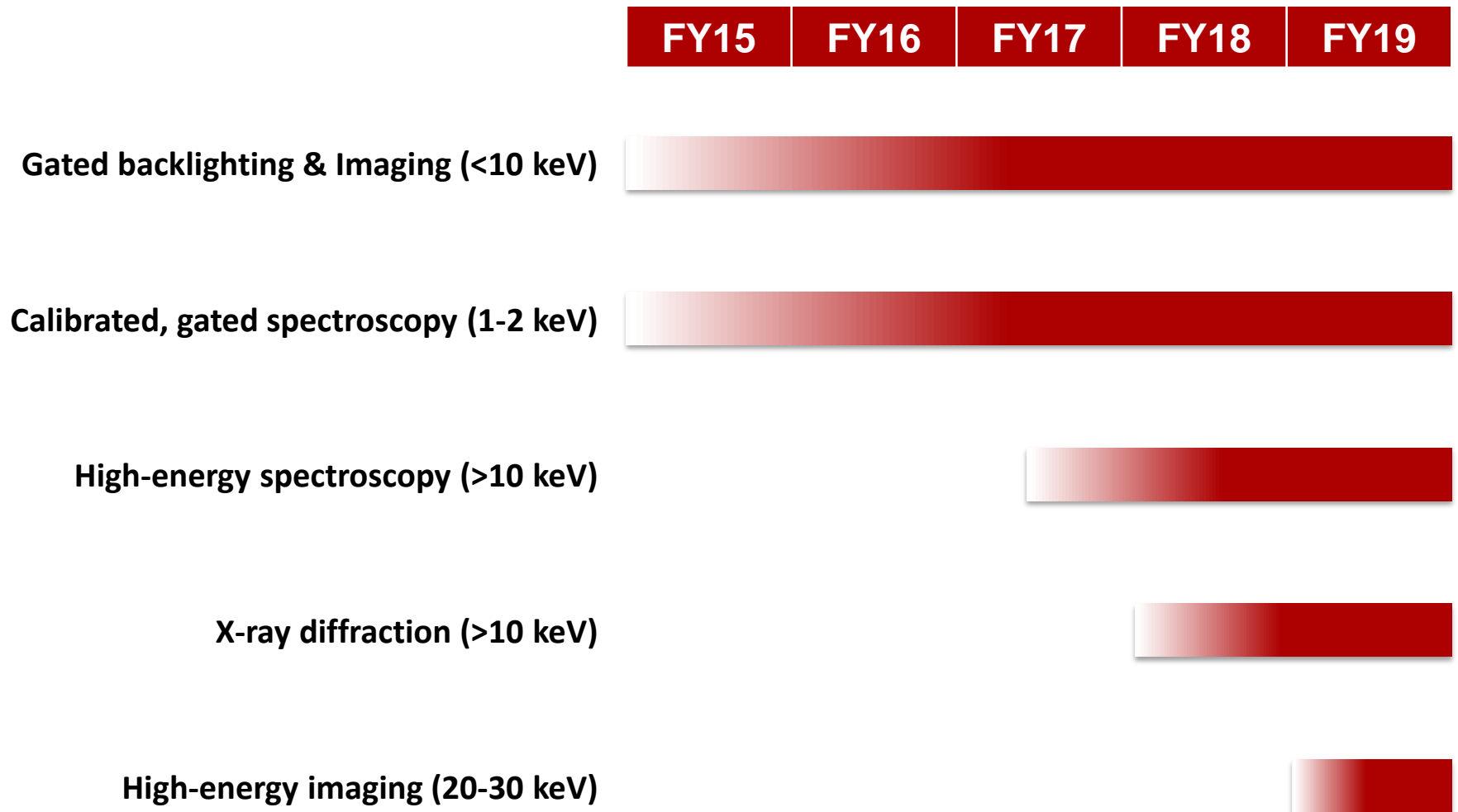


- Wolter microscope: hyperboloidal + ellipsoidal grazing incidence mirrors
- UXI + Wolter microscope may provide time-resolved, >20 keV imaging of non-thermal z-pinch x-ray sources
- Electroformed Ni replicated multi-layer Wolter optic at 8 ± 1 keV with $<200 \mu\text{m}$ spatial resolution over 1 cm FOV has been demonstrated [1]; 30 keV with 10-20 μm may be feasible

X-ray diffraction of ramp states requires time-resolved capability

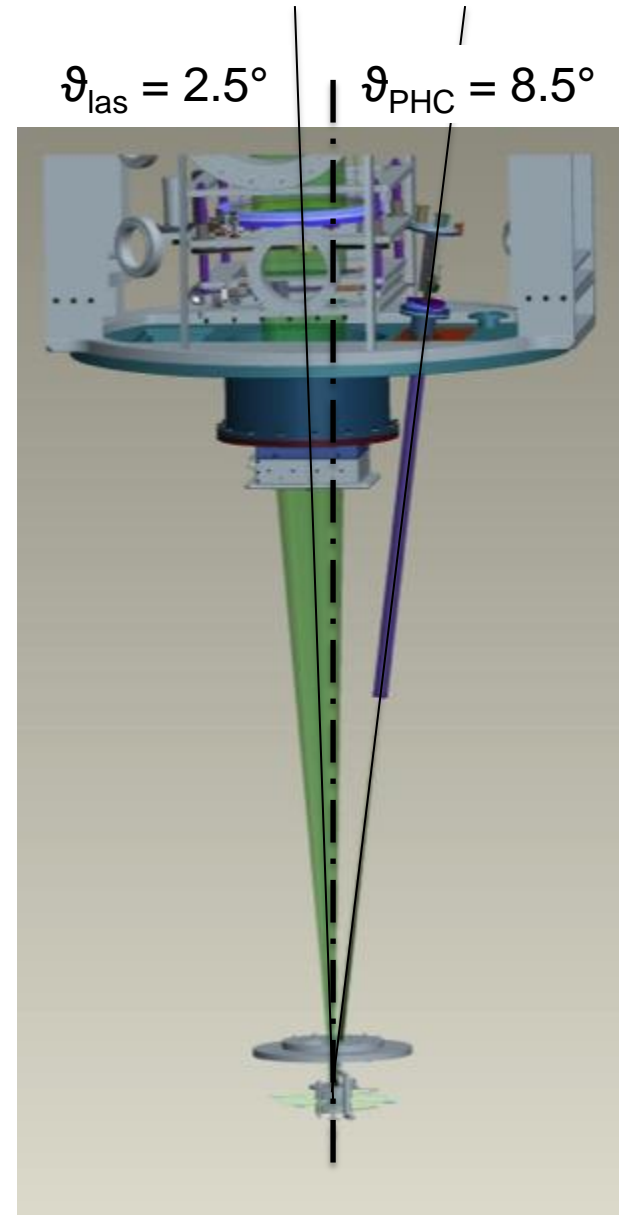
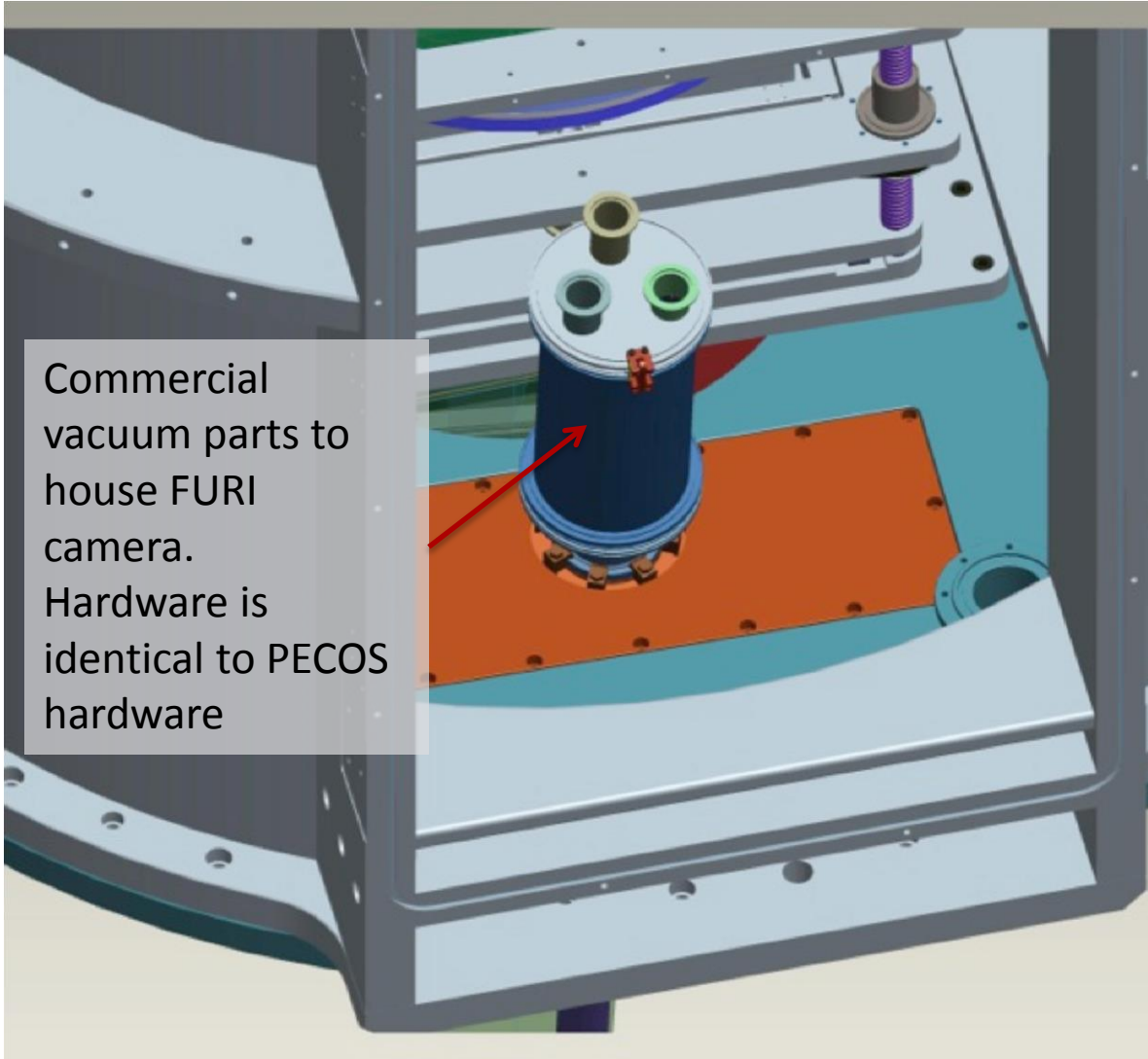


Roadmap for diagnostic development



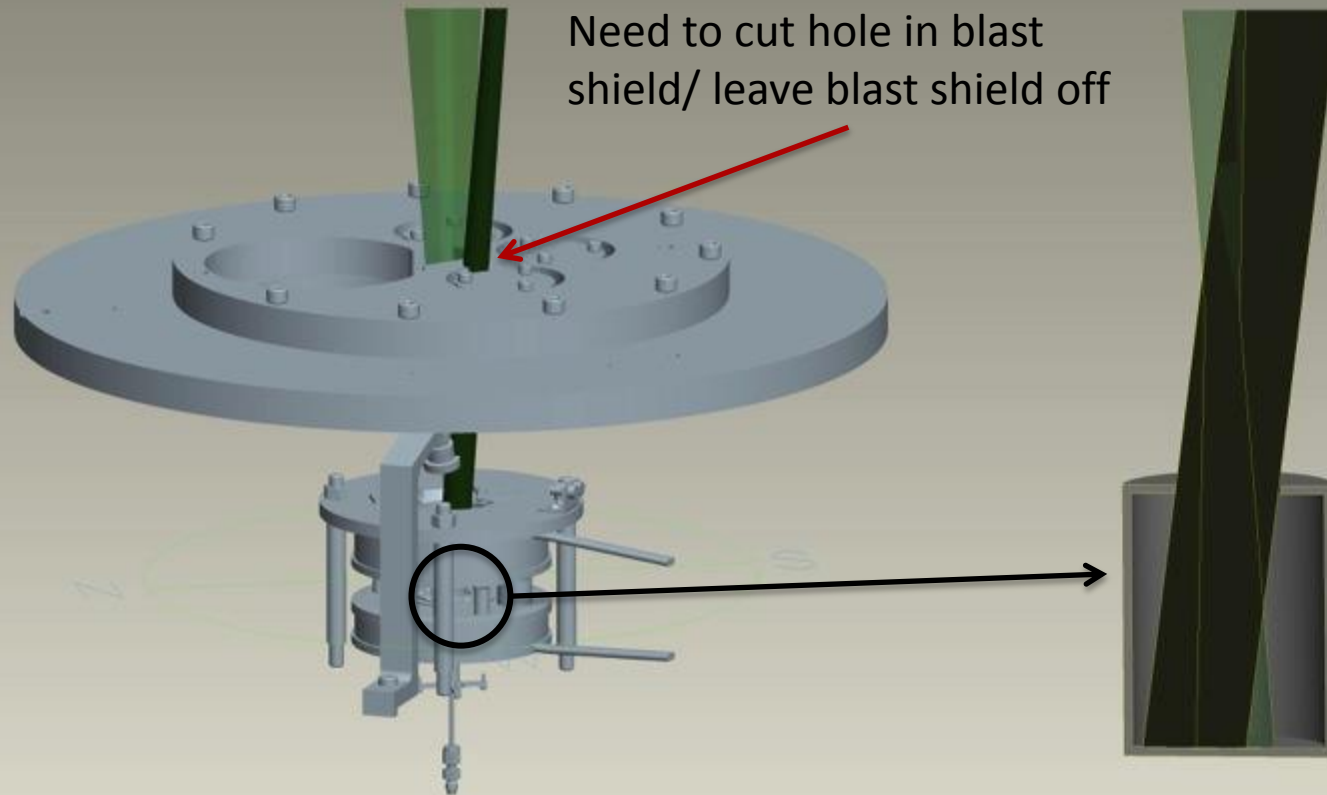
Backup slides

AXIAT pinhole camera

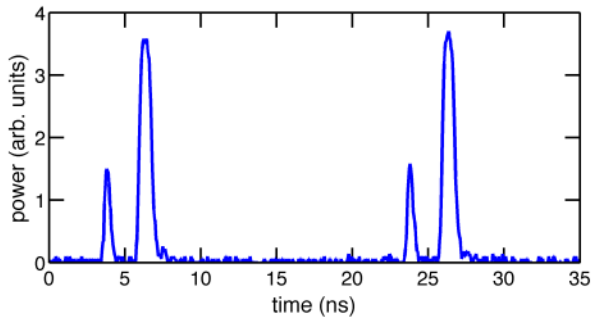
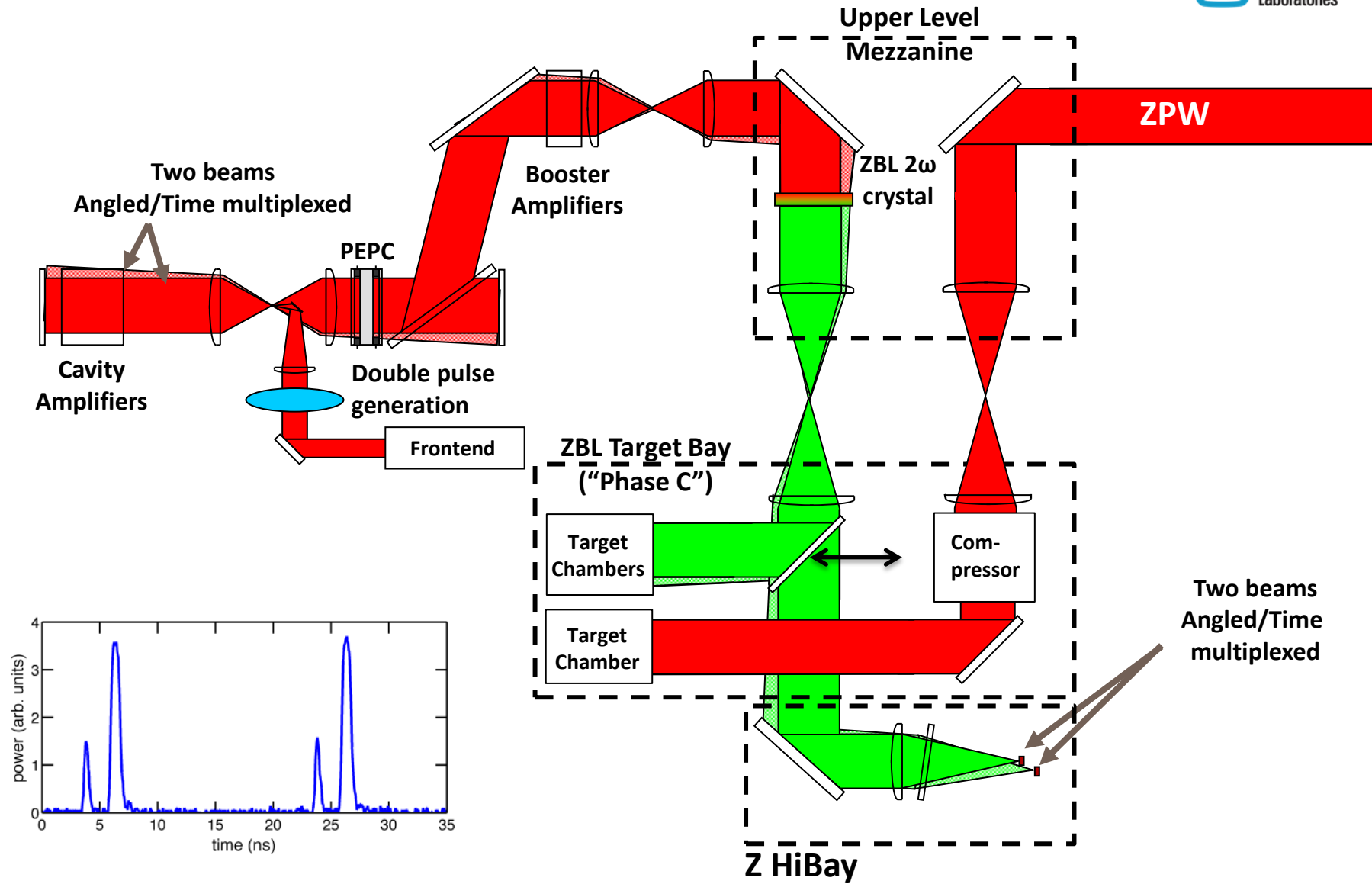


PHC Field of View

- FURI chip size: $25 \times 11 \text{ mm}^2$
- Image size: $\approx 3 \text{ mm}$ diameter
- FURI is large enough for 6 pinhole images
- Camera electronics has been successfully fielded on downline shots



ZBL 2-frame backlighter



Liner convergence ratio

- Calculations by P.F. Knapp
- Analytic calculation to compare the transmission through a Be liner for different photon energies
- Eddy liner:
 - $r_{outer} = 3.84$ mm
 - $r_{inner} = 3.44$ mm
 - th = 400 μ m
 - AR = 9.6
- Roosevelt liner:
 - $r_{outer} = 2.79$ mm
 - $r_{inner} = 2.325$ mm
 - th = 465 μ m
 - AR = 6

