



Developments in X-ray Crystal Imaging and Spectroscopy at LLNL, SNL, and LLE.

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Across the labs new crystal spectrometers and imagers are being developed :

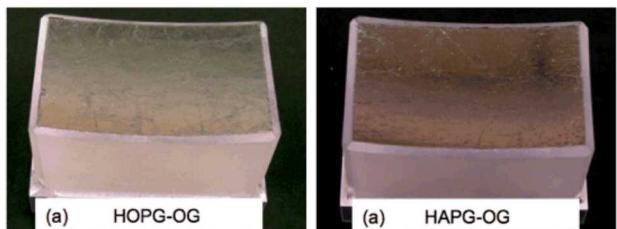
- **LLNL**
 - HiRAXS : EXAFS spectrometer
 - tConSpec: Streaked continuum spectrometer
 - CBI at 7eV+ cavity backlighters
 - CBI for self-emission imaging of Ge fluorescence
- **SNL**
 - MONSSTR: Dual spherical crystal, time-gated spectrometer with hCMOS
 - CHEWI3 : Triple-crystal, self-emission imager
 - SCDI : Diffraction using an x-ray relay mirror
- **LLE**
 - Investigating the limits of an aspherical x-ray optic

High-quality, bent crystals are at the heart of many of our x-ray imaging and spectroscopic diagnostics.

XRS3 -Spherically-bent Ge (Sandia)

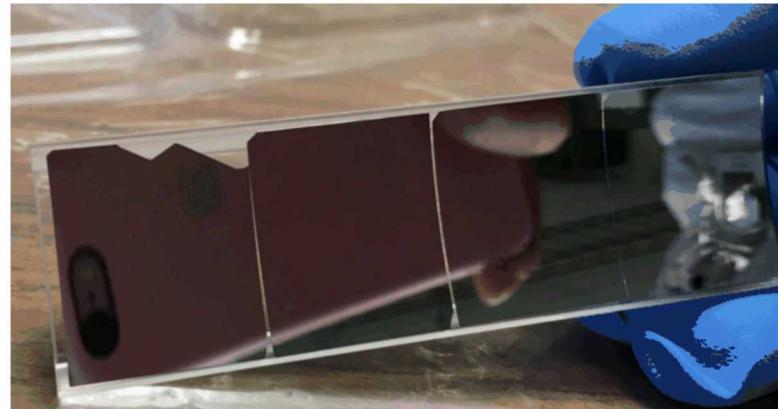


XRS3 -Spherically-bent graphite (Sandia)

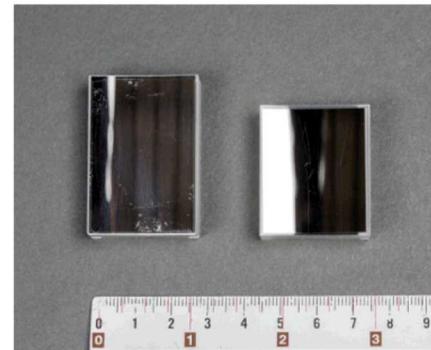


Transmissive type optics not shown.

DHIRES - tiled Ge crystal, cylindrical shape (LLNL, PPPL)



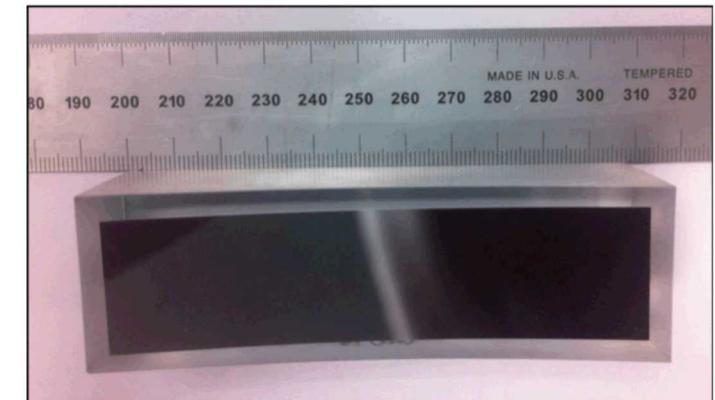
DHIRES - Ge, Conical (LLNL, PPPL)



CBI-spherical (LLNL)



HiResSpec - Si crystal(LLE)

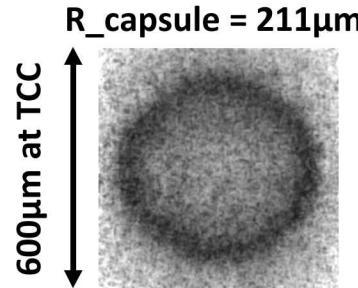


25 x 100 (!) mm
R = 330 mm

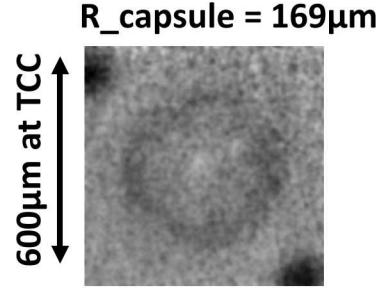
The NIF crystal backlighter imager (CBI) demonstrated operation at 7 keV (w/cavity backlights) and in a self-emission mode.

Increased image contrast at 7 keV.

7 keV (N190902)

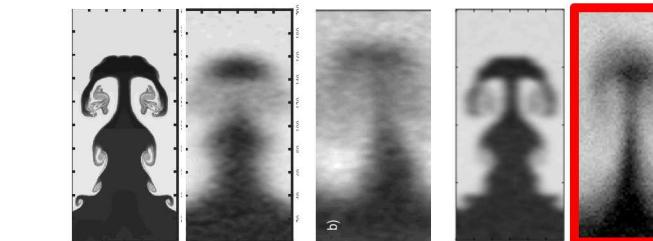
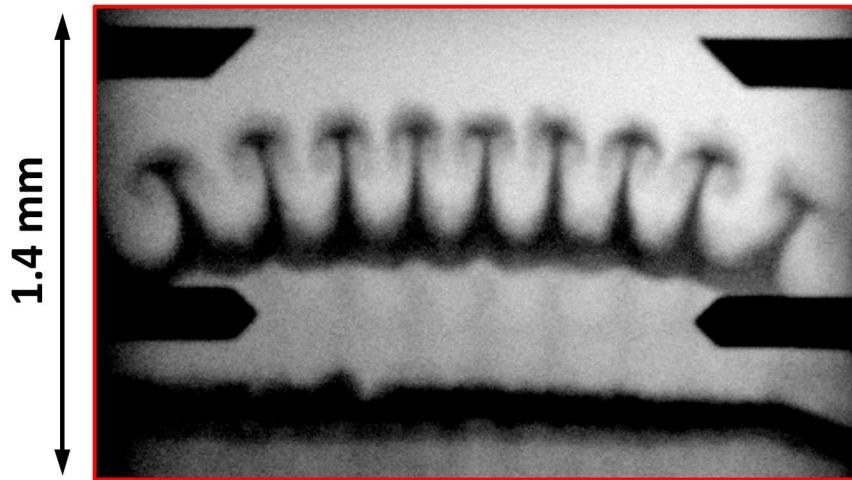


11.6 keV (N180520)



Highly resolved RT spikes at 7 keV

Estimate 8.5 μm resolution over entire image



ARES Simulation
J. Bender

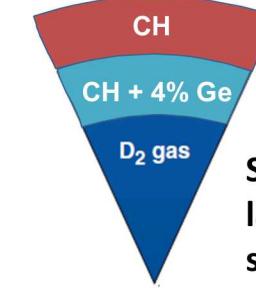
Synthetic
Radiograph
with 21 um
resolution

Example
data from
NIF shot
with 22
um
resolution

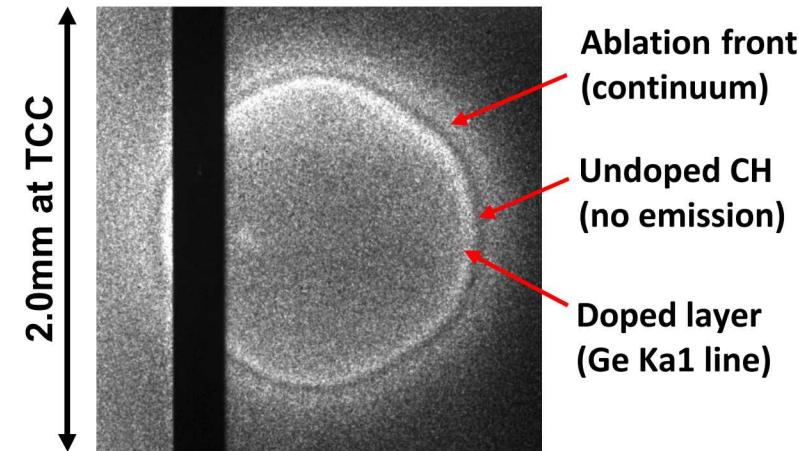
Synthetic
Radiograph
with 9 um
resolution

CBI data from
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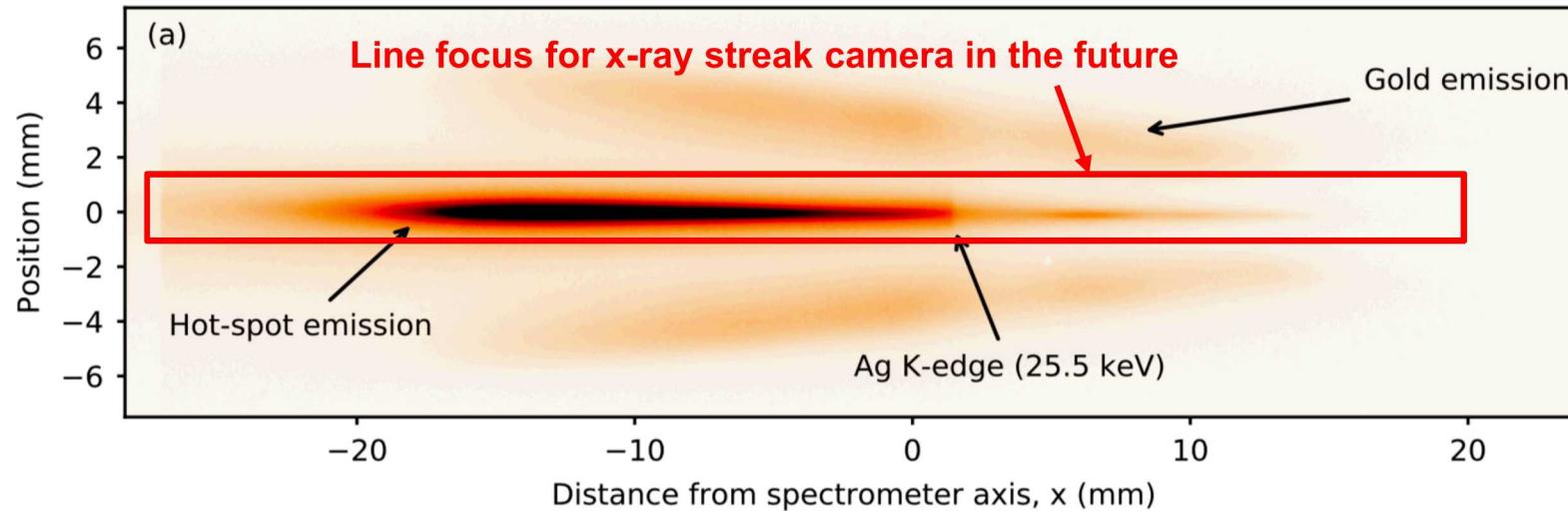
Self-emission imaging of Ge fluorescence



Shot 1: Ge doped layer on inner surface



$T_e(t)$ measurements can be achieved by coupling ConSpec¹ to a streak camera.



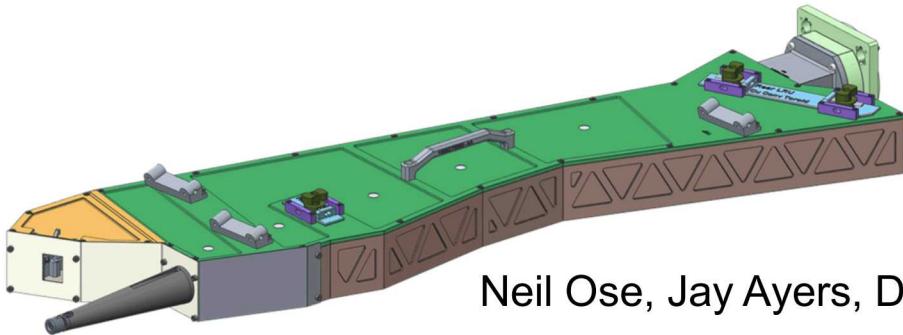
ConSpec:
Absolutely calibrated
continuum emission.²
 $T_e = 3.65$ keV
[3.42 - 3.98 keV]
N180109-001

tConSpec: modifications need to work with DISC:

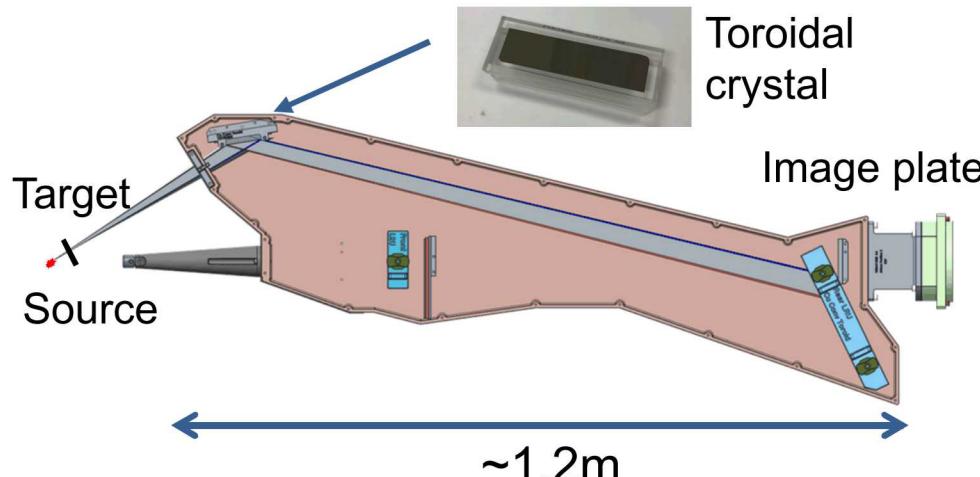
- (1) Increase HAPG thickness to increase reflectivity (4x).
- (2) Change target-to-crystal to 75 cm (was 90 cm) to fit data on 24 mm long photocathode.
- (3) New snout design
- (4) Put IP in front of photocathode for time integrated measurements.

¹D.B. Thorn et. al. SPIE (2017), ²M.J. MacDonald et. al. JINST (2019)

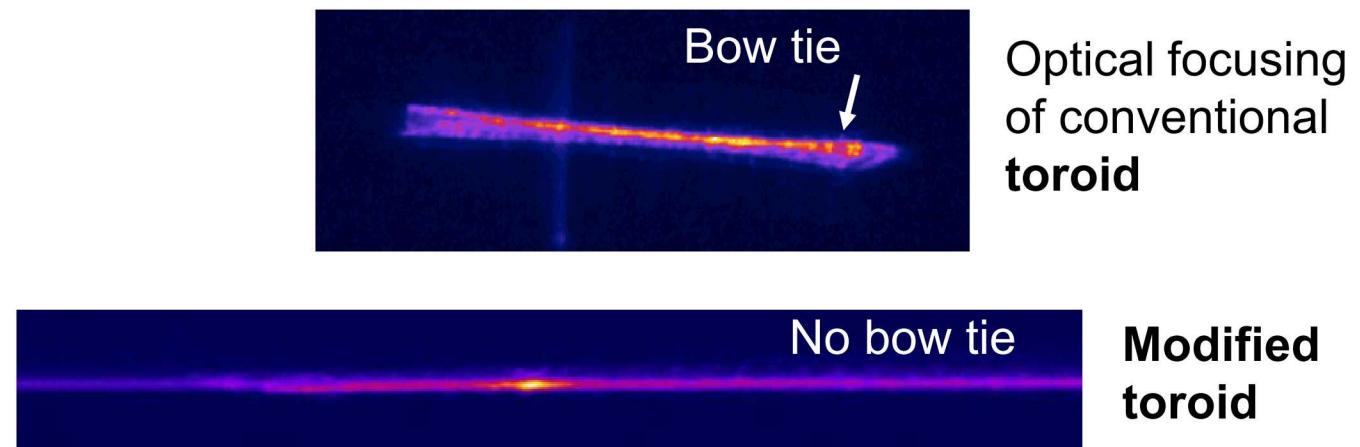
The NIF EXAFS spectrometer (HiRAXS*) will require toroidal and modified toroidal shapes to achieve high-sensitivity with high $E/\Delta E$.¹



Neil Ose, Jay Ayers, Dan Thorn



- Initial measurements with Cu targets and then advancing to higher Z-elements Ta and Pb.
- Lower signals on higher Z-elements require large aperture crystals and hence complex shapes to reduce aberrations.

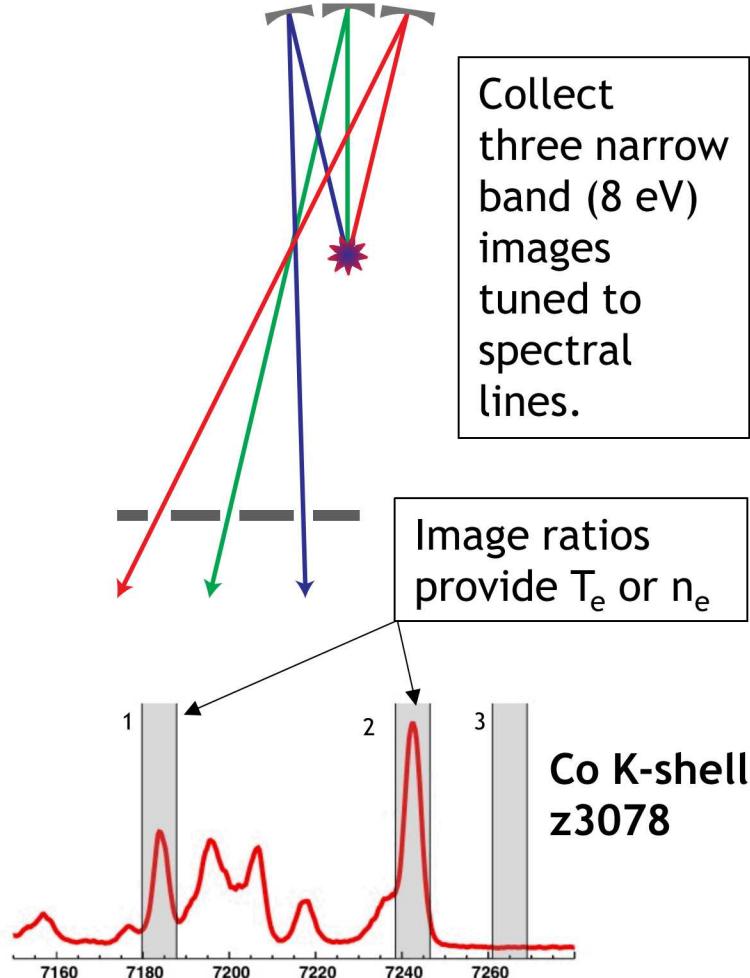


*High Resolution Absorption X-ray Spectrometer

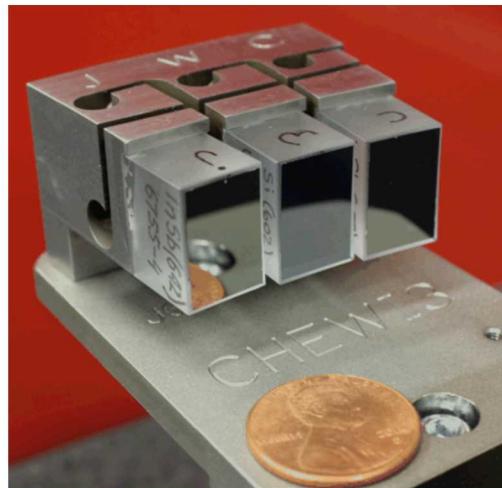
¹Collaboration with PPPL: Lan Gao, Ken Hill, Manfred Bitter, Phil Efthimion

A triple crystal imager (CHEWI3) is being developed to measure $T_e(r)$ and $n_e(r)$.

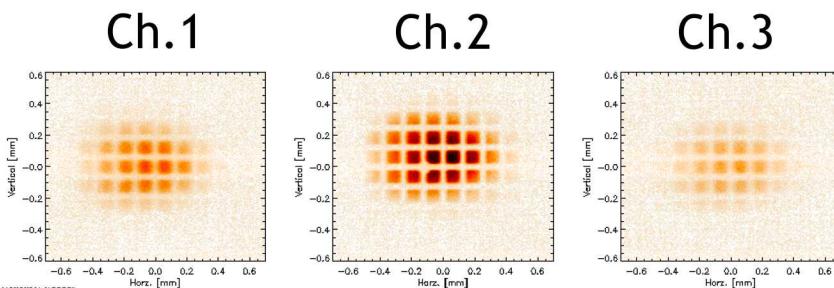
Conceptual Operation:



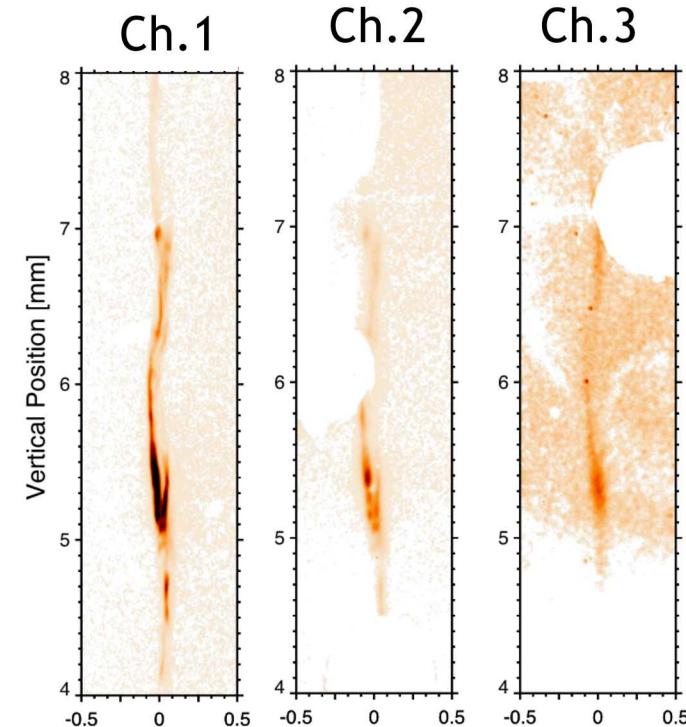
Assembly and Testing:



Backlit grid images from offline testing confirm good focusing.

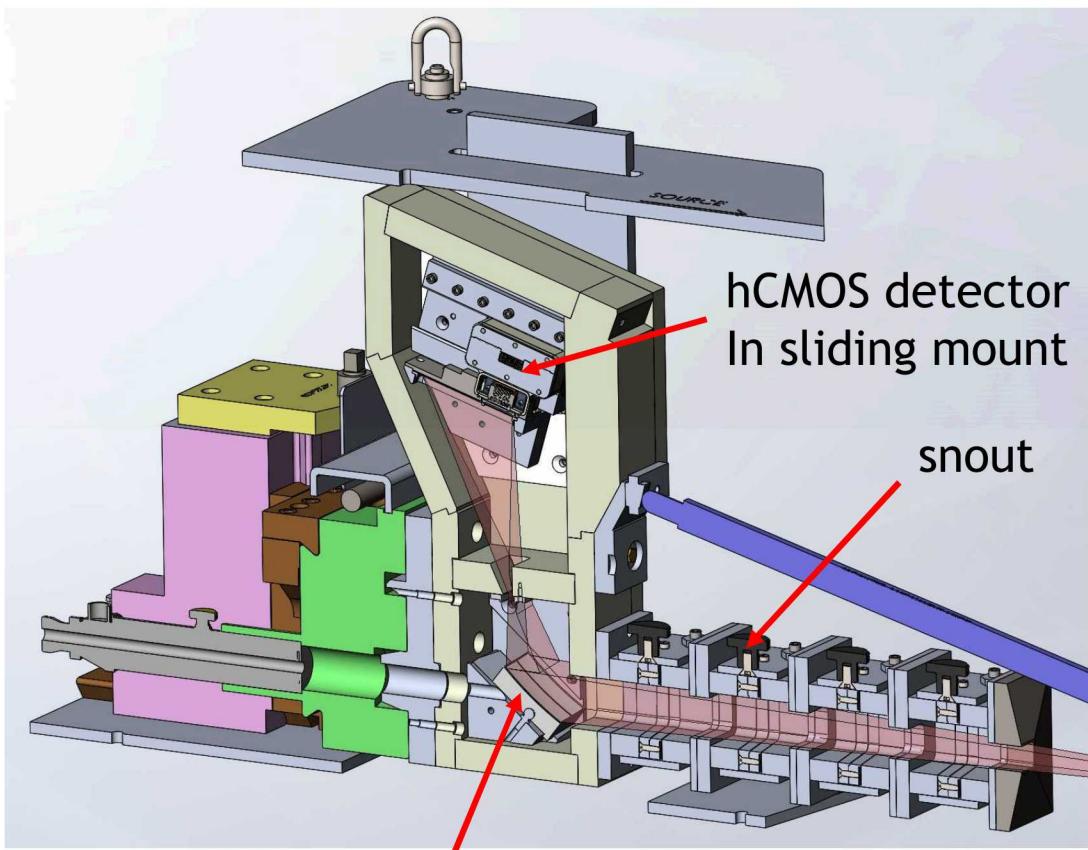


Z-shot (z3421)
Oct. 24, 2019:



2nd shot will improve data quality by using more debris shielding.

9 A new, high-spectral resolution, time-resolved spectrometer (MONSSTR*) is being developed to support MagLIF mix measurements.



Spherical crystal (Quartz 20-23)

MONSSTR Parameters

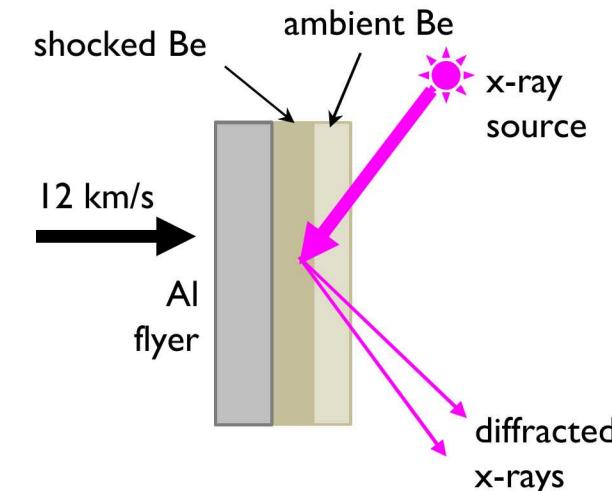
Detector	Icarus	Daedalus (tiled)
Δt	2 ns	1 ns
Δx	0.2 mm	0.2 mm
Max. Frames	8	12
$E/\Delta E$	~2000	~2000
Spectral Range ¹	6290-6800 eV	6290-7275 eV
Throughput	2e-7 str	2e-7 str
Spectral lines	Fe K α to Fe He- α	Fe K α to Co He- α

¹Spectral range can be modified by moving detector and changing crystal 2d-spacing.

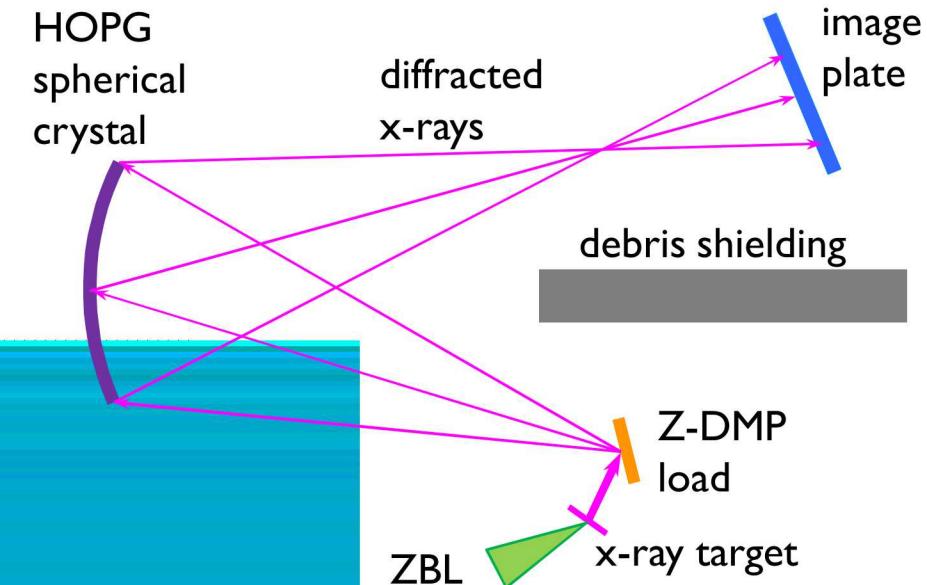
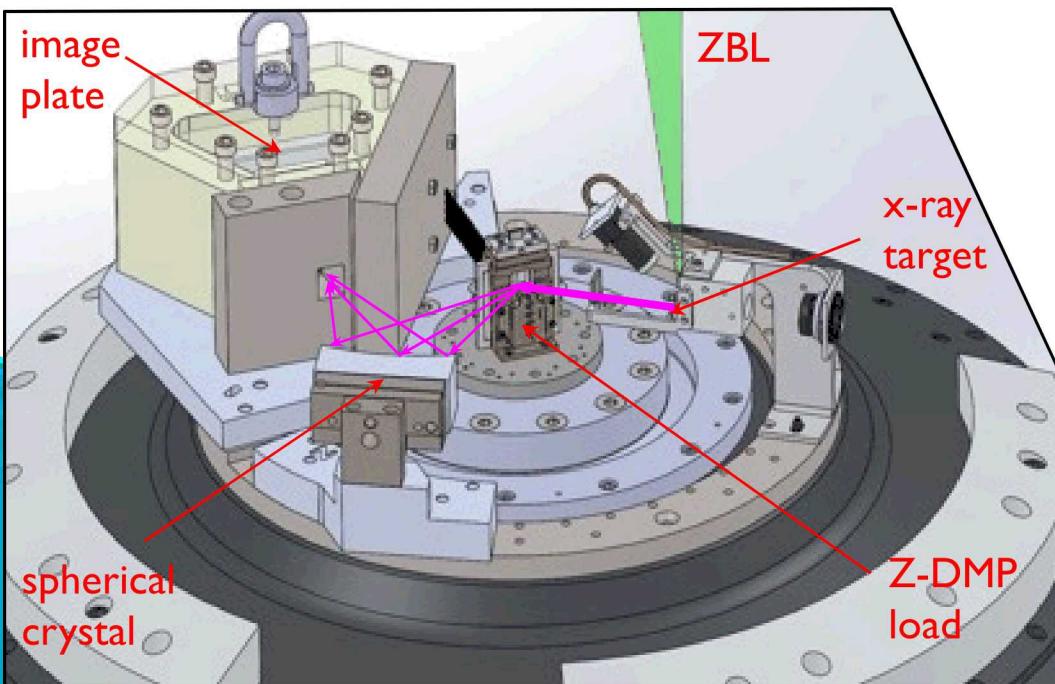
The SNL diffraction experiment use a spherical HOPG crystal to relay the diffraction signal into a tungsten box that protects the image plate.

Experimental parameters

- Z-Beamlet laser → 6-8 keV x-rays
- HOPG spherical crystal → collect and reflect diffracted x-rays
- Image plate → record data
- Be sample → low mass attenuation coefficient, high XRD cross section
 - Serves as its own x-ray window
 - Possible hcp-bcc phase transition at ~ 2 Mbar, 3000 K*

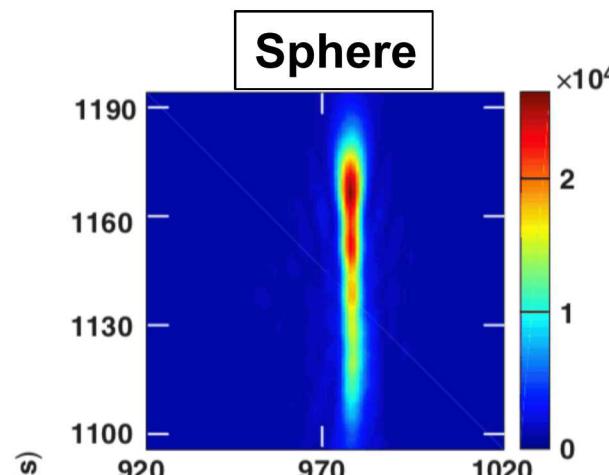


Spherical Crystal Diffraction Imager (SCDI)

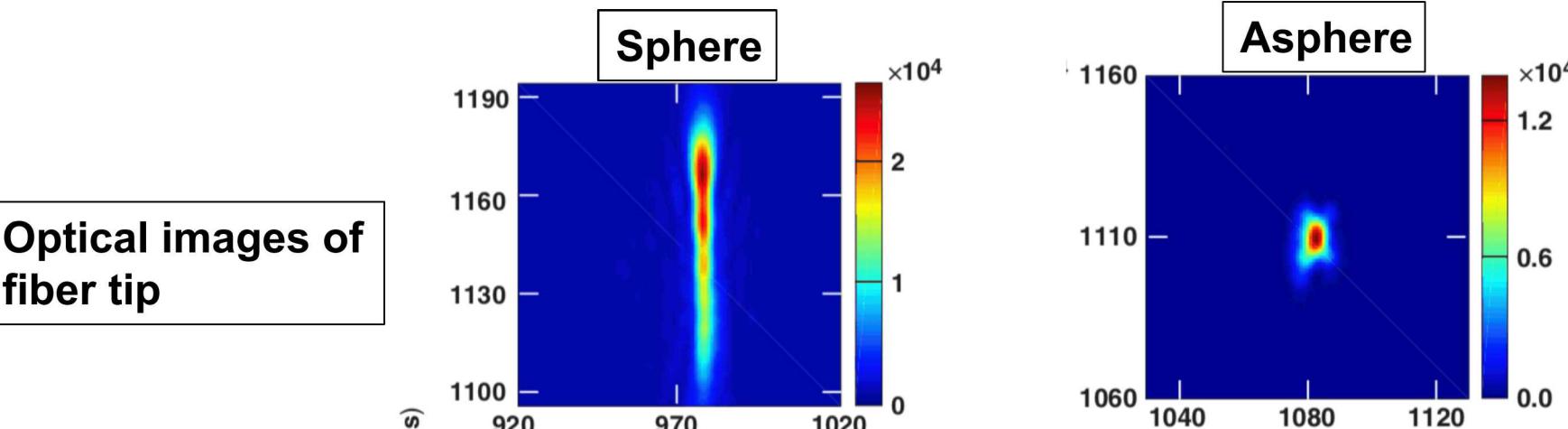
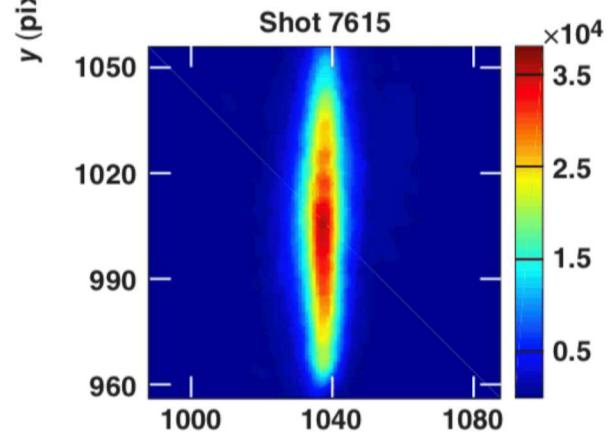


LLE has developed a high-resolution crystal backlighter that relies on an aspherically shaped crystal.¹ However, aspheres are under performing.

Optical images of fiber tip

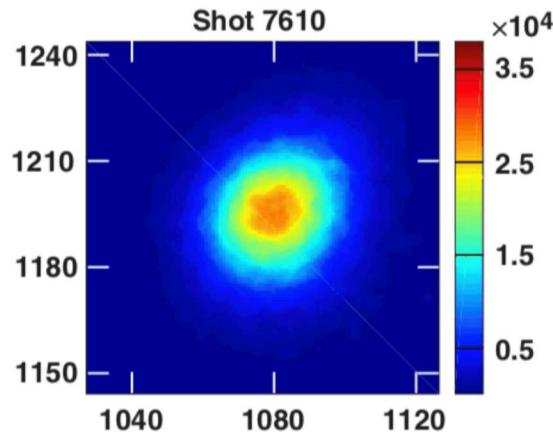


X-ray images of laser spot



Near diffraction limited **visible** image (~10 μm FWHM)

Large **x-ray** spot indicates poor focusing for the asphere.
22 and 43 μm FWHM
Theoretical: < 5 μm



Nino Pereira is looking into surface roughness effects.

¹Stoeckl et. al., RSI (2014)

Key Questions for Crystal Imaging and Spectroscopy:

1. What limits the ultimate spatial resolution?

- A. Ray-tracing indicates a spatial resolution $< 5 \mu\text{m}$. Can this be achieved? If not, why?
- B. Possible paths forward:
 1. Investigate surface roughness effects (Si vs. Quartz). Initial work by N. Pereira.
 2. Investigate shape errors with x-ray ray tracing.
 3. Design a high magnification ($M > 10x$) asphere from Si and measure spatial resolution. This should be application driven.

2. How do we build and characterize complex crystal shapes?

- A. We need rocking curves, point spread function (PSF) measurements, and flat-field x-ray measurements.

3. Are the current ray tracing capabilities adequate?

- A. No, standard optical software does not use Bragg reflection.
- B. SHADOW and XRT are capable but too slow.
- C. M. Schollmeier is rewriting SXRT to incorporate advanced capabilities w/GPU.

Backups



Imaging and spectroscopy on Nike

Add Yefim's slide