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# Beamlines Design for Synchrotron Radiation

HESEB Soft X-ray Lecture & Training Course

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# Properties of synchrotron radiation

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SESAME, 2.5 GeV

133 m circumference

222 buckets

200 electron bunches

Stroboscopic flashes of light

50 ps flashes

500 000 000 per second.

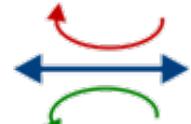
**Synchrotron radiation is**

collimated

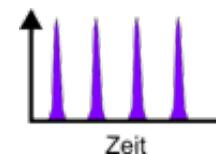
intense

predictable

$e^-$

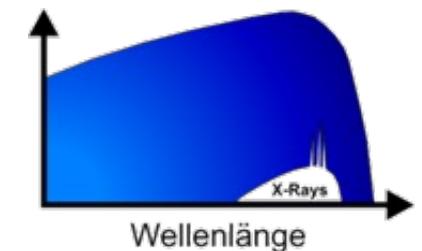


polarized



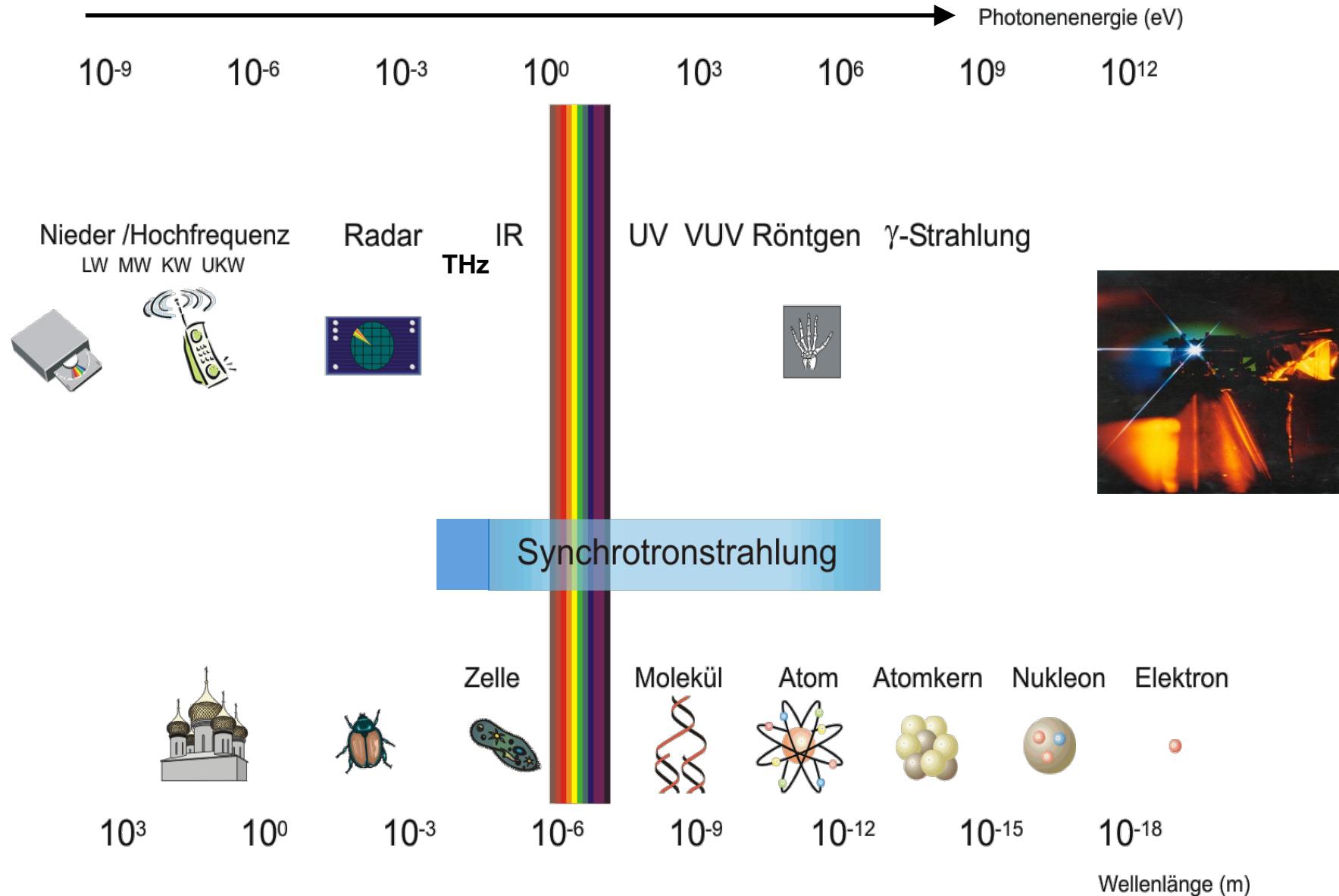
pulsed

**From infrared to  
hard X-ray**



# Wavelength of synchrotron radiation

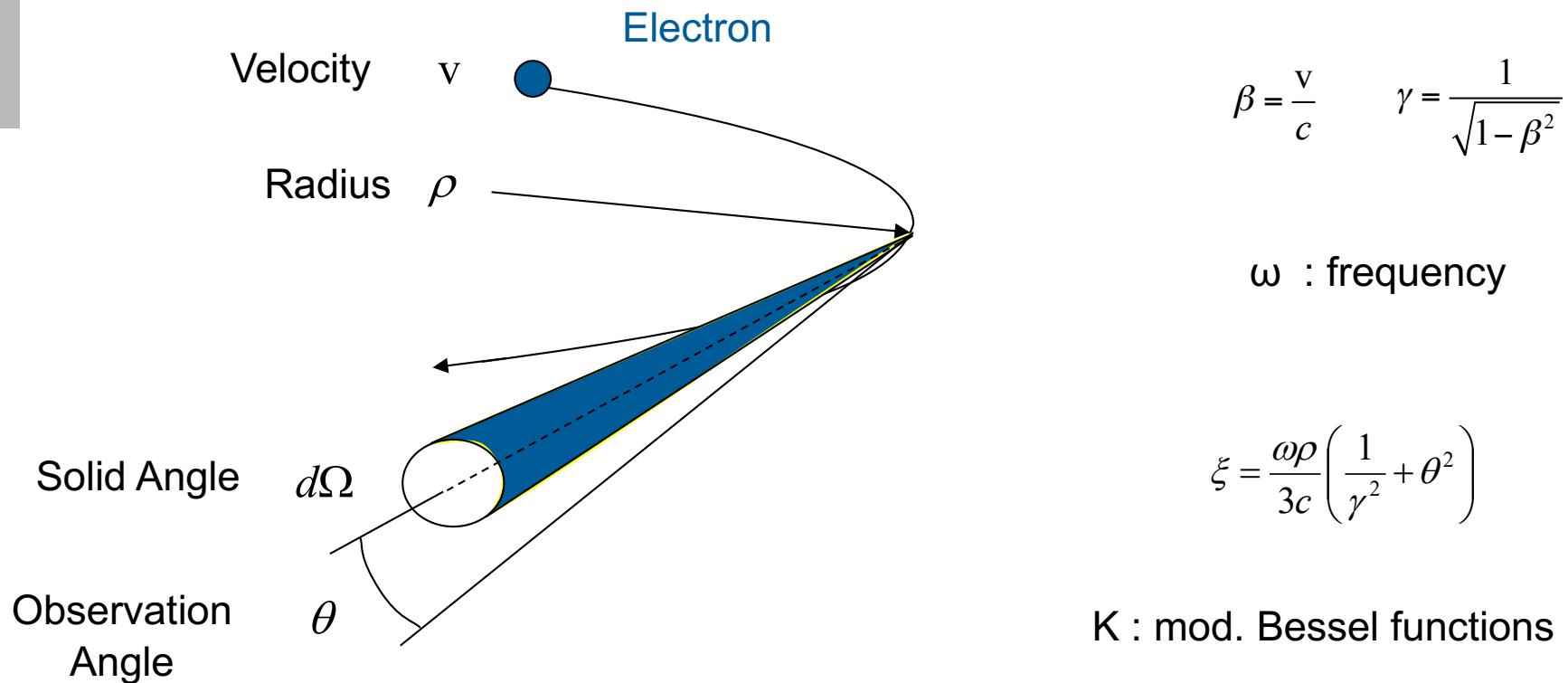
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# Predictability of synchrotron radiation

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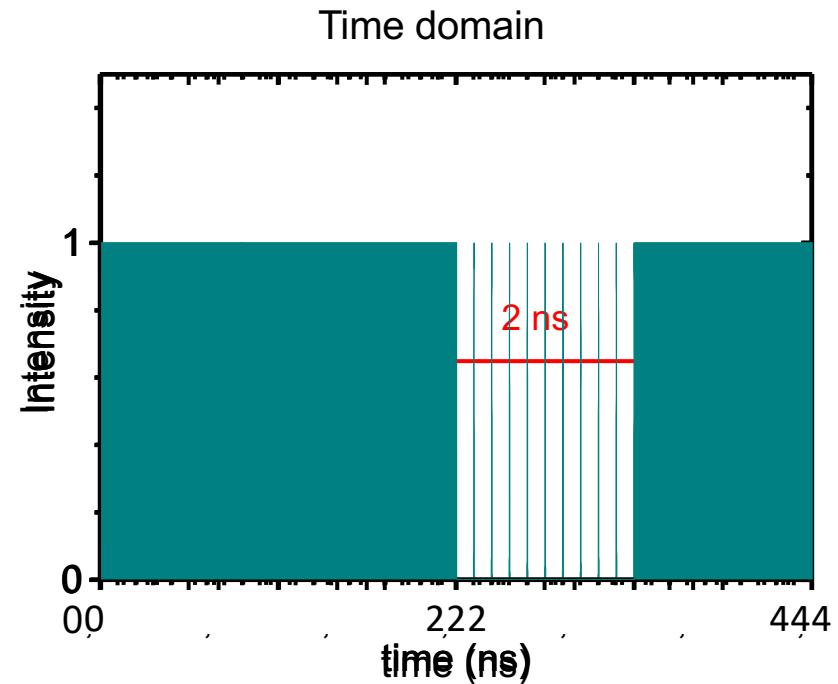
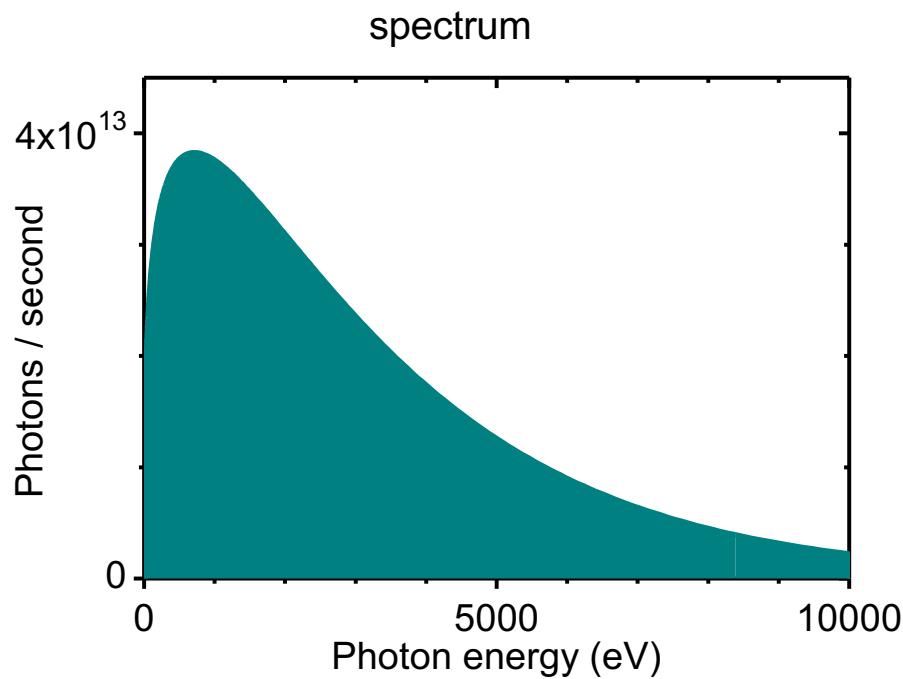
$$\frac{d^2 I}{d\omega d\Omega} = \frac{e^2}{3\pi^2 c} \left( \frac{\omega\rho}{c} \right)^2 \left( \frac{1}{\gamma^2} + \theta^2 \right) \left[ K_{2/3}^2(\xi) + \frac{\theta^2}{(1/\gamma^2) + \theta^2} K_{1/3}^2(\xi) \right]$$

Exactly predictable -> Used as radiation standard in national metrology labs

# Frequency and time structure

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## Dipol radiation



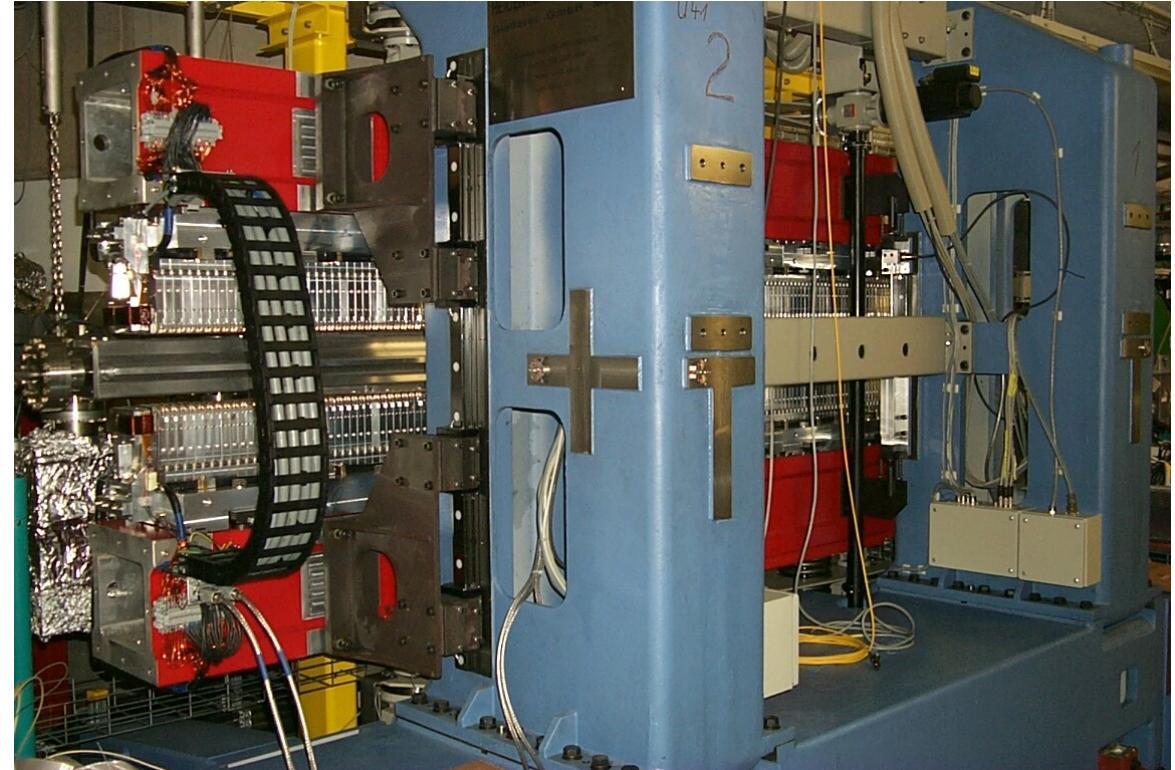
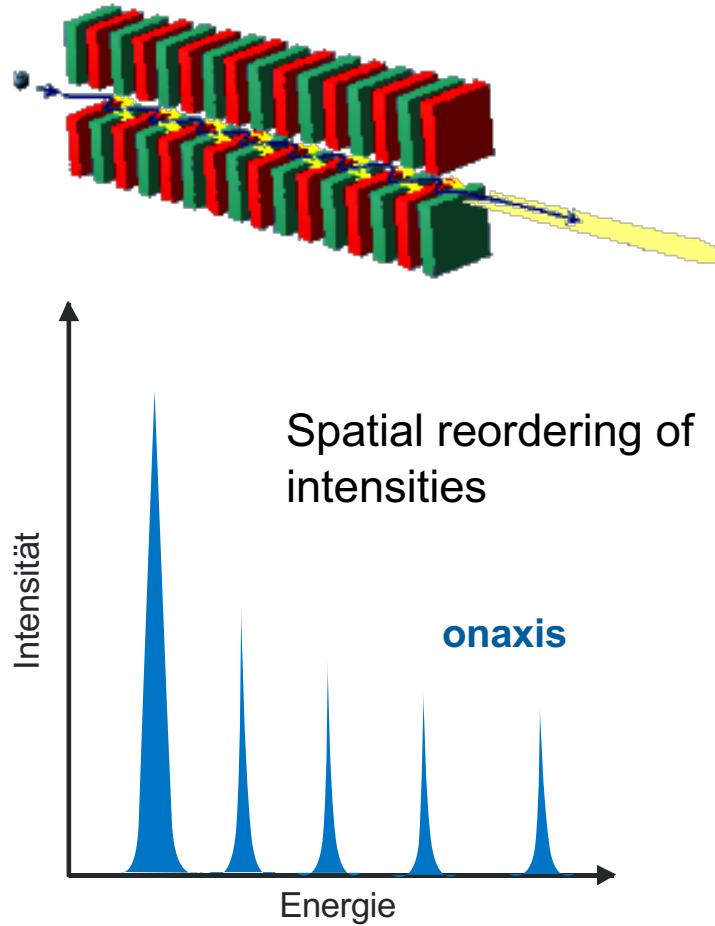
1 revolution  
(gap to increase live time)

Bunchlength down to 1 ps in low- $\alpha$  mode of a storage ring

# Undulators

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Magnetic array

**Typical values**

Undulatorlength	2 - 4 m
Period length	15 - 150 mm
Number of periods	20 - 100

Courtesy BESSY II

# Undulator equation

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Sinusoidal magnetic field, amplitude  $B_0$ , periodicity  $\lambda_u$   
 Electron with speed  $v=(v_x, v_z)$ ,  
 Mean speed  $\langle v_z \rangle$

Time for electron to proceed  
 from red to blue position

$$T = \lambda_u / \langle v_z \rangle$$

Light travels distance

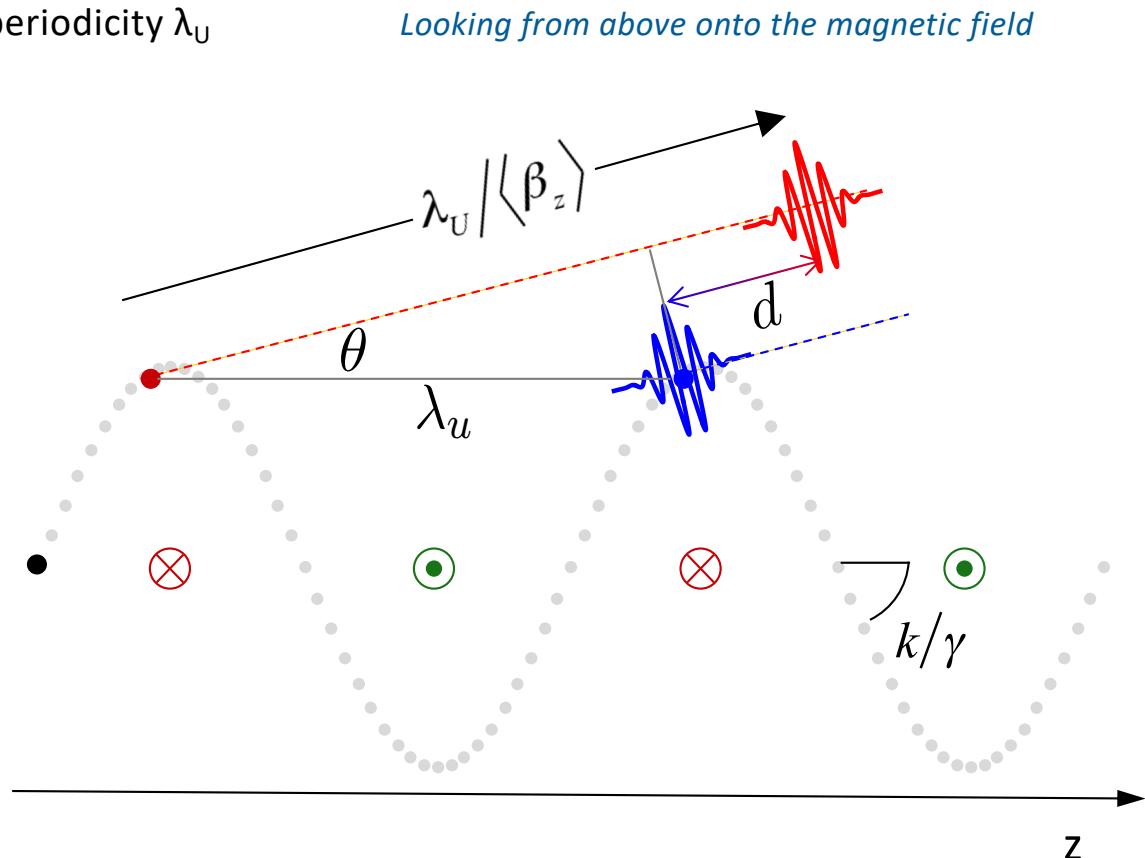
$$c T = c \lambda_u / \langle v_z \rangle = \lambda_u / \langle \beta_z \rangle$$

Path difference between flashes

$d$

$$\langle \beta_z \rangle \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2\gamma^2} - \frac{K^2}{2\beta\gamma^2}$$

Constructive interference for  
 light with wavelength  $\lambda$



Resonance-condition

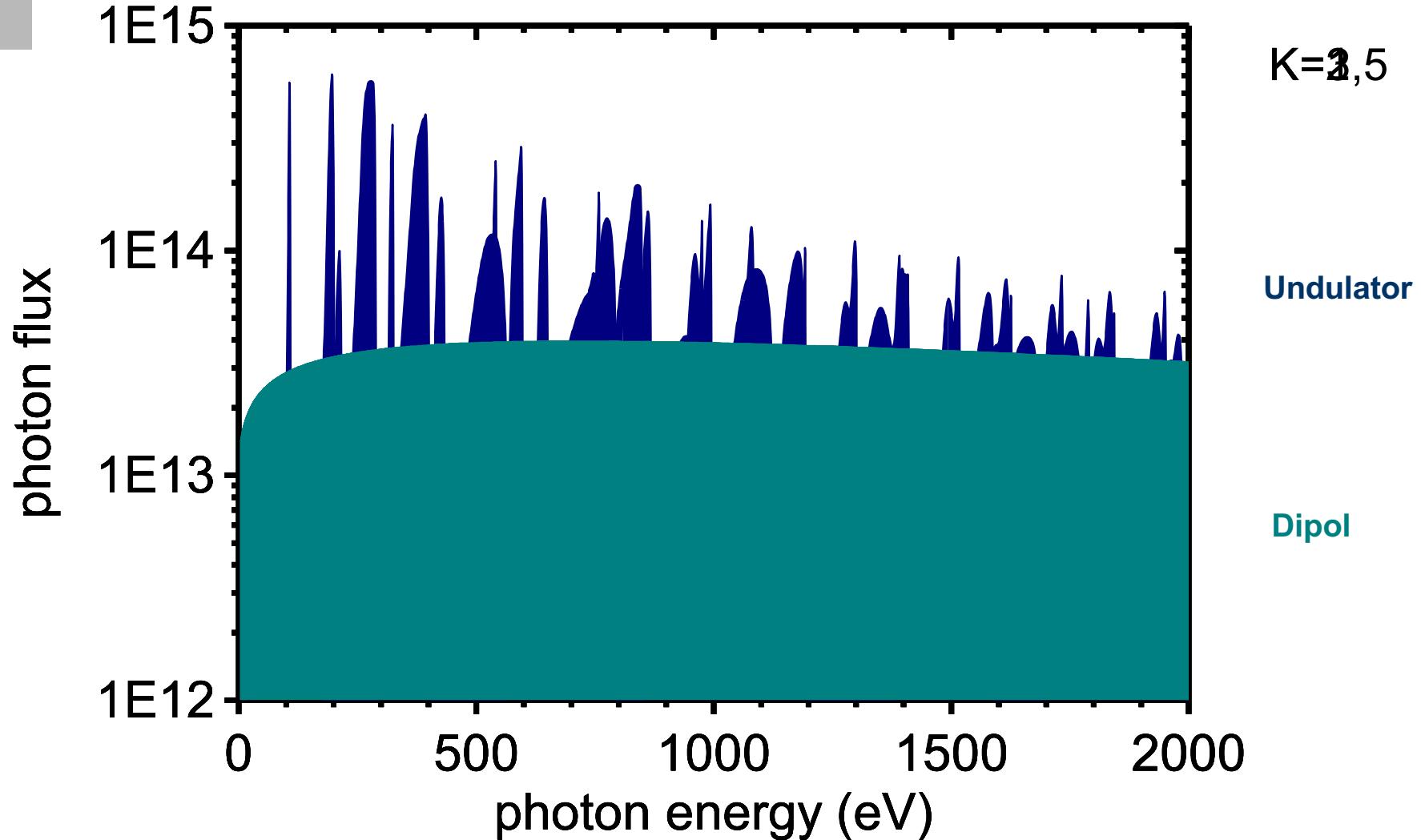
$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_u}{2n\gamma^2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2} K^2 + \theta^2 \gamma^2 \right)$$

Undulator-Parameter K

$$K = \frac{B_0 e}{mc} \frac{\lambda_u}{2\pi}$$

Courtesy Marco Calvi, PSI

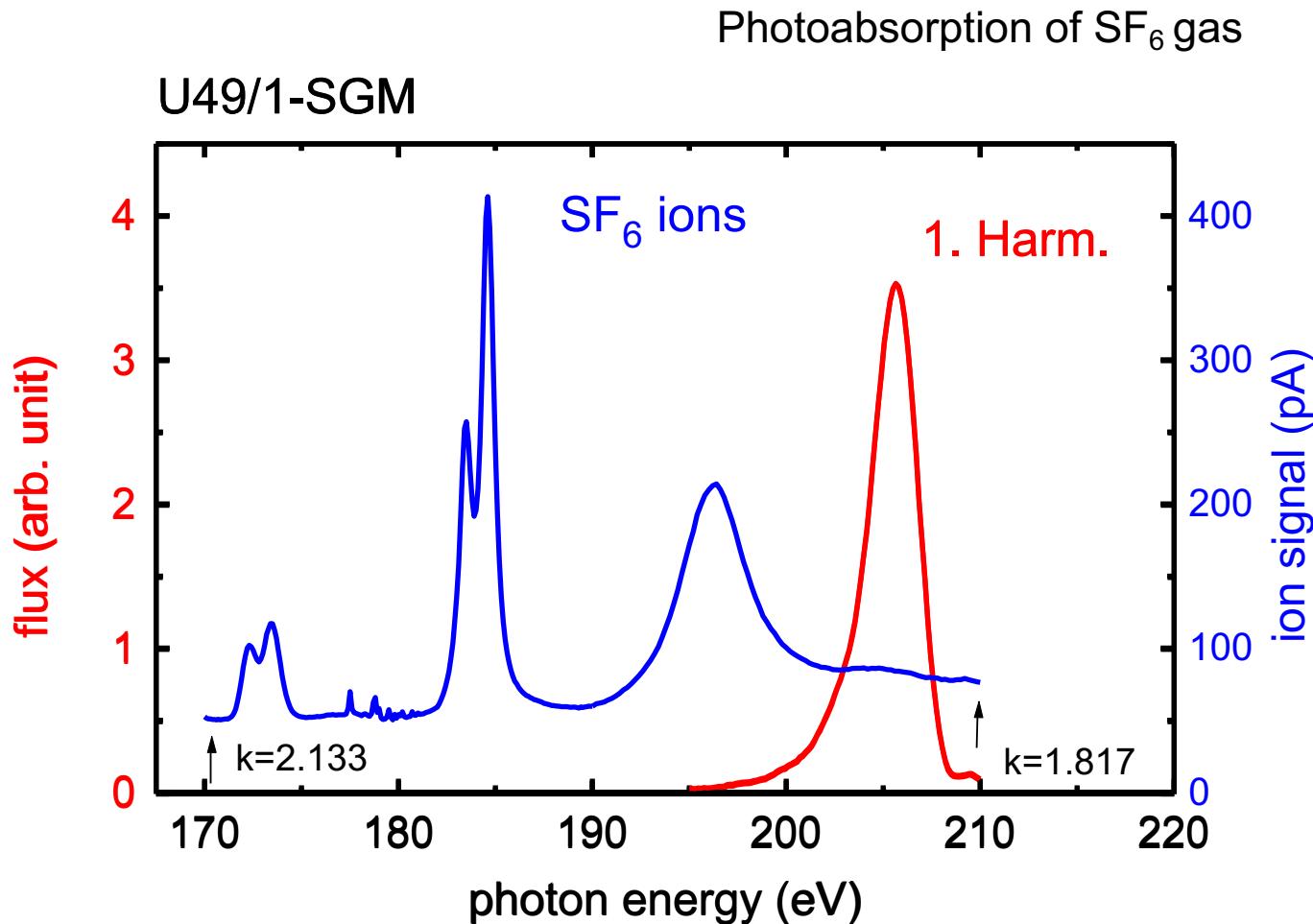
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**Scan k-value to extend the photon energy range.**

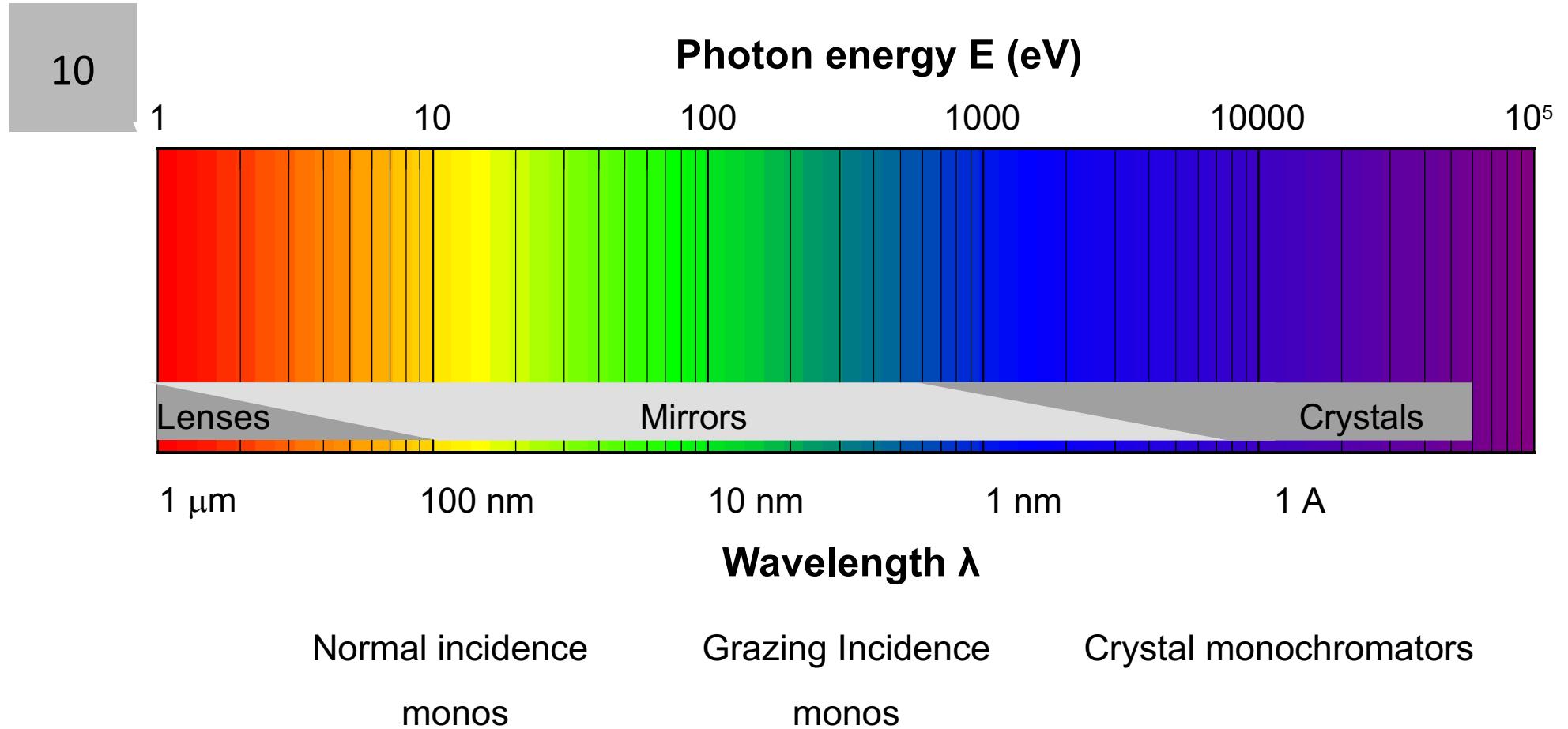
# Undulator harmonic

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- Undulatorharmonic too broad for spectral features, need for monochromator.
- But too small to cover complete spectrum simultaneos scanning of ID and mono

# Spectral range at Synchrotrons



$$E = \frac{12.4 \text{ keV} \cdot \text{nm}}{\lambda}$$

# Reflectance

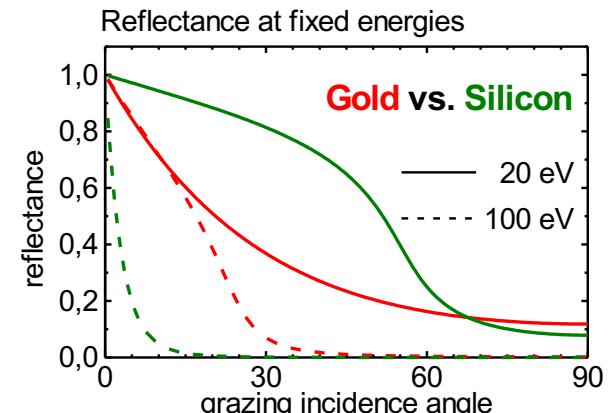
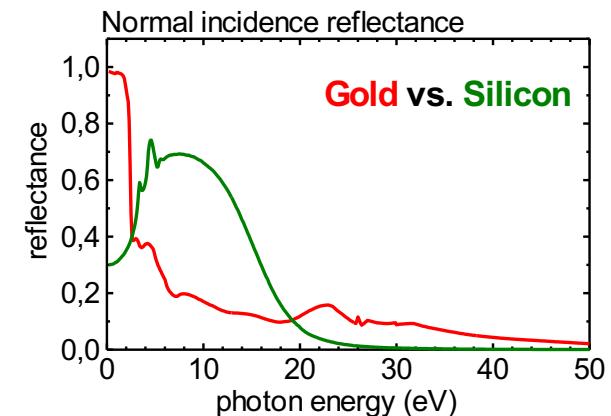
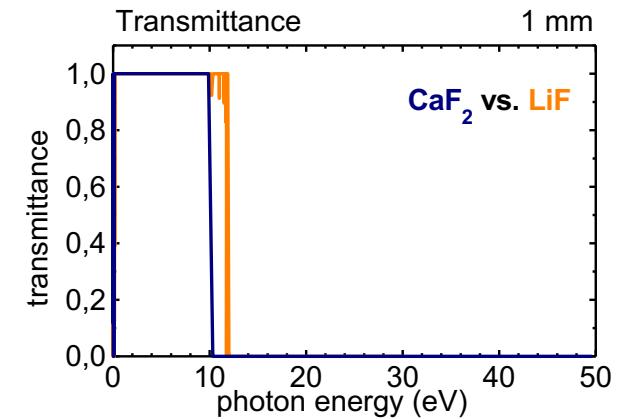
Matter is almost opaque for soft X-ray radiation

# Spectral range of interest

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Photon energy ↓

- **Visible light**
  - Lenses in axial-symmetric configurations  
(Microscopes, Cameras, Binoculars)
  - mirrors in axial symmetric configuration (achromatic)  
(Astronomical telescopes)
- **VUV**
  - mirrors and gratings in axial-symmetric configurations  
(Normal Incidence Mono, EUV lithography)
- **Soft X-rays**
  - mirrors and gratings in grazing incidence configurations  
(Grazing Incidence Mono)
  - Zone plates, multilayers
  - Microscopes
- **Hard X-rays**
  - crystals



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**Fresnel formulas**

- incident intensity  $I_0$ , reflected  $I_r$  and transmitted intensity  $I_t$
- boundary conditions of amplitudes ( $E, H$ )
- conservation of energy
- angle of reflection = incident angle
- separately for s- and p-polarised light

$$I_r = R_{s,p} \cdot I_0$$

$$I_t = T_{s,p} \cdot I_0$$

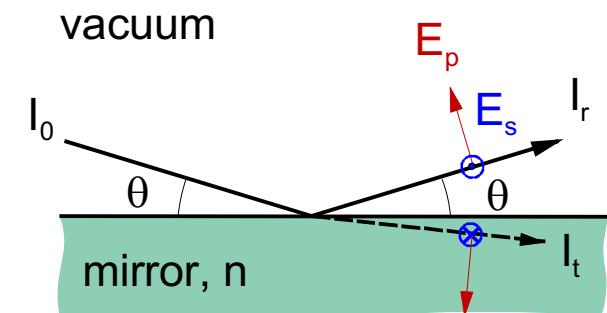
We are only interested in the reflected intensity

**s- polarised**

$$R_s = \frac{\sin \Theta - \sqrt{n^2 - \cos^2 \Theta}}{\sin \Theta + \sqrt{n^2 - \cos^2 \Theta}}$$

**p- polarised**

$$R_p = \frac{n^2 \sin \Theta - \sqrt{n^2 - \cos^2 \Theta}}{n^2 \sin \Theta + \sqrt{n^2 - \cos^2 \Theta}}$$



e.g. for solids with only one type of atoms:

index of refraction       $n = n + ik$

$$n = 1 - \delta + i\beta$$

$$n = 1 - \frac{r_e}{2\pi V_A} \cdot \lambda^2 \cdot (f_1 + i f_2)$$

$V_A$  : Atomic volume =  $1 / n_A$

$r_e$  : classical electron radius ( $2.82 \times 10^{-15}$  m)

$f_1, f_2$  : atomic scattering factors

$(f_1, f_2)$  in the Henke tables     $(n, k)$  in the book of Palik

# Reflectance

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## Brewster angle

At the Brewster angle the reflected light is s-polarised ( $R_p=0$ ).  
The reflected beam is perpendicular to the transmitted one.

The electrons oscillate always along an axis parallel to the electric field of the transmitted light.

If the reflected light should propagate parallel to this axes, no power is emitted in this direction.

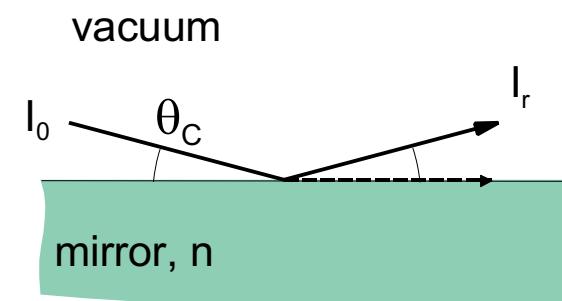
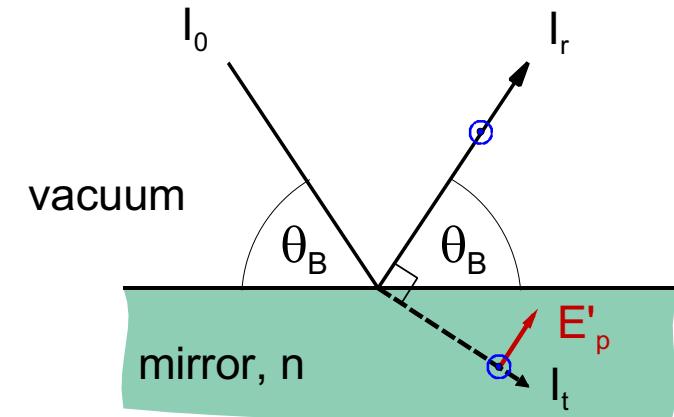
$$\Theta_B = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

## Total external reflection

If the light comes from the optical denser side of the boundary surface, total reflection can occur (e.g. from under water to air).

In the soft x-ray regime **vacuum is optical denser** than matter. Total reflection occurs when the angle of the transmitted light equals zero.

$$\Theta_C = \arccos n$$

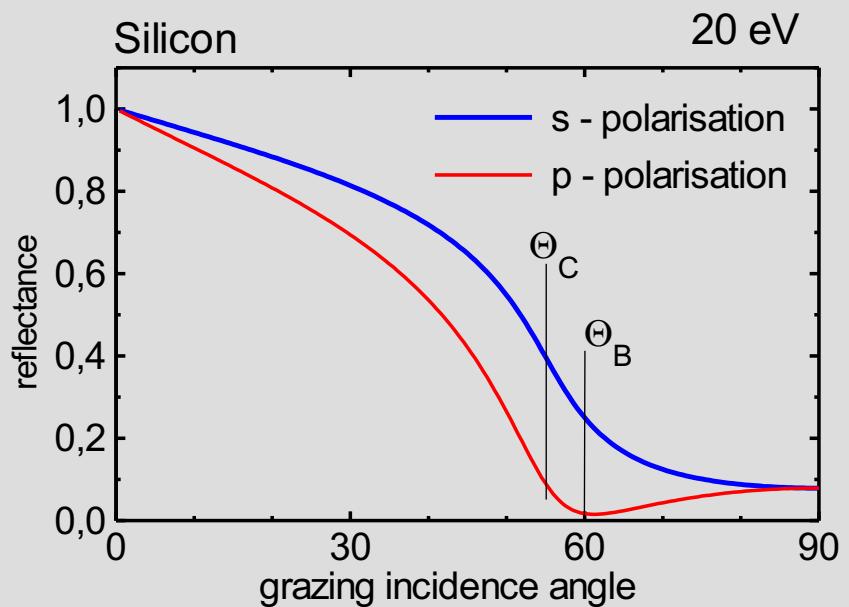


# Reflectance

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## Example 1

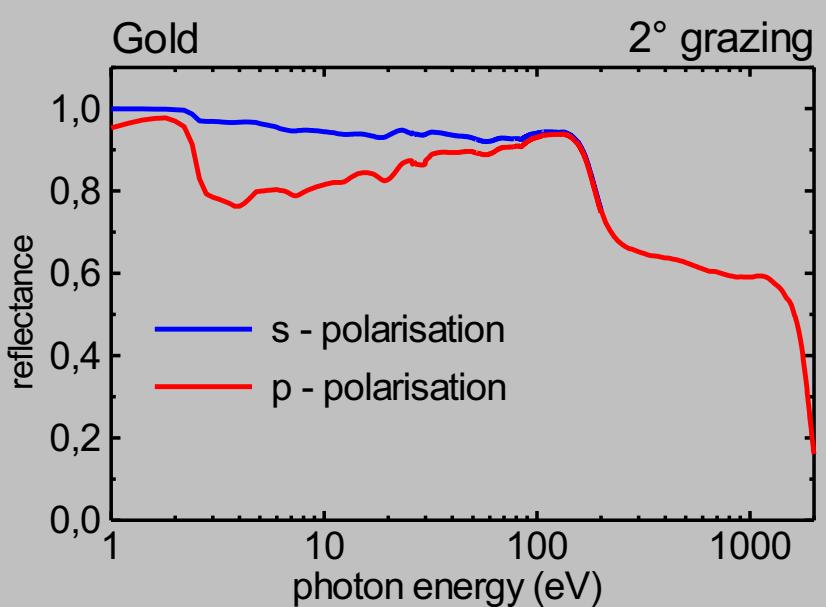
- silicon at 20 eV
- $n = 0.567$ ,  $k = 0.0835$
- critical angle  $\theta_C = 55^\circ$
- Brewster angle  $\theta_B = 60^\circ$



**Always  $R_s \geq R_p$**

## Example 2

- gold at  $2^\circ$  grazing incidence angle



Good reflectance up to 2000 eV

Difference between s- and p- polarisation up to 100 eV

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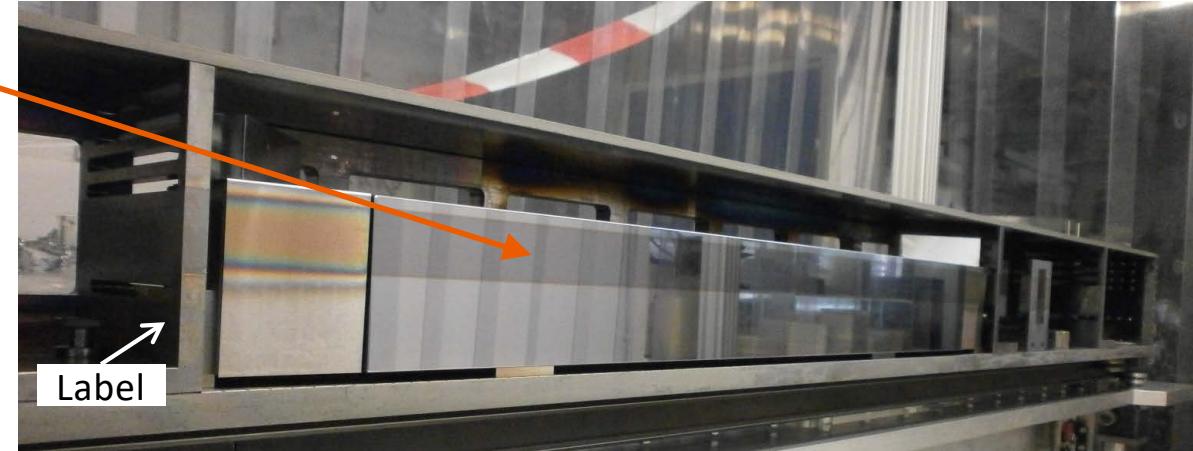
# Mirrors

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First stripe: SiC + top B<sub>4</sub>C

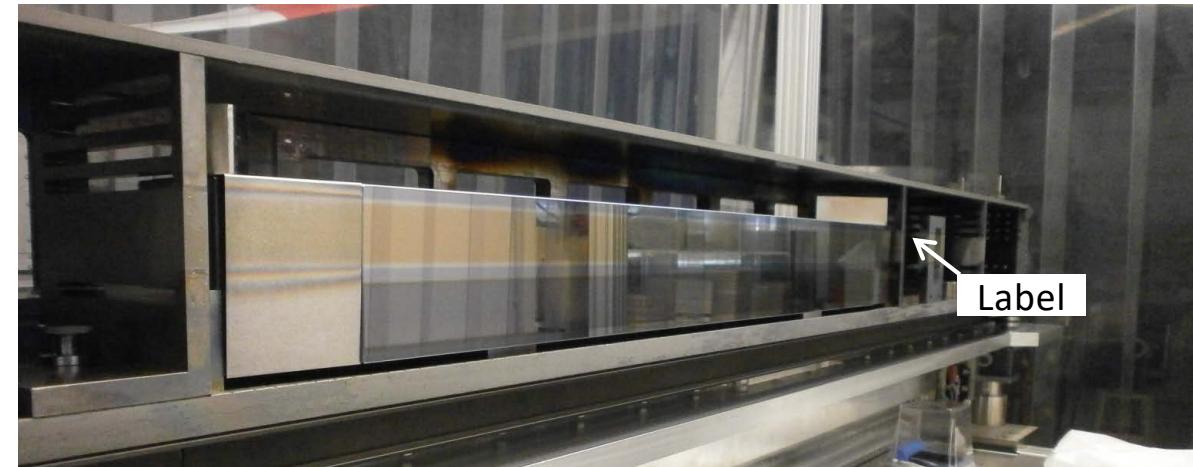
End of June 2016  
Run ID T664

coating area above  
width: 44-75 mm (or 44-72 mm)  
(uncoated silicon below)



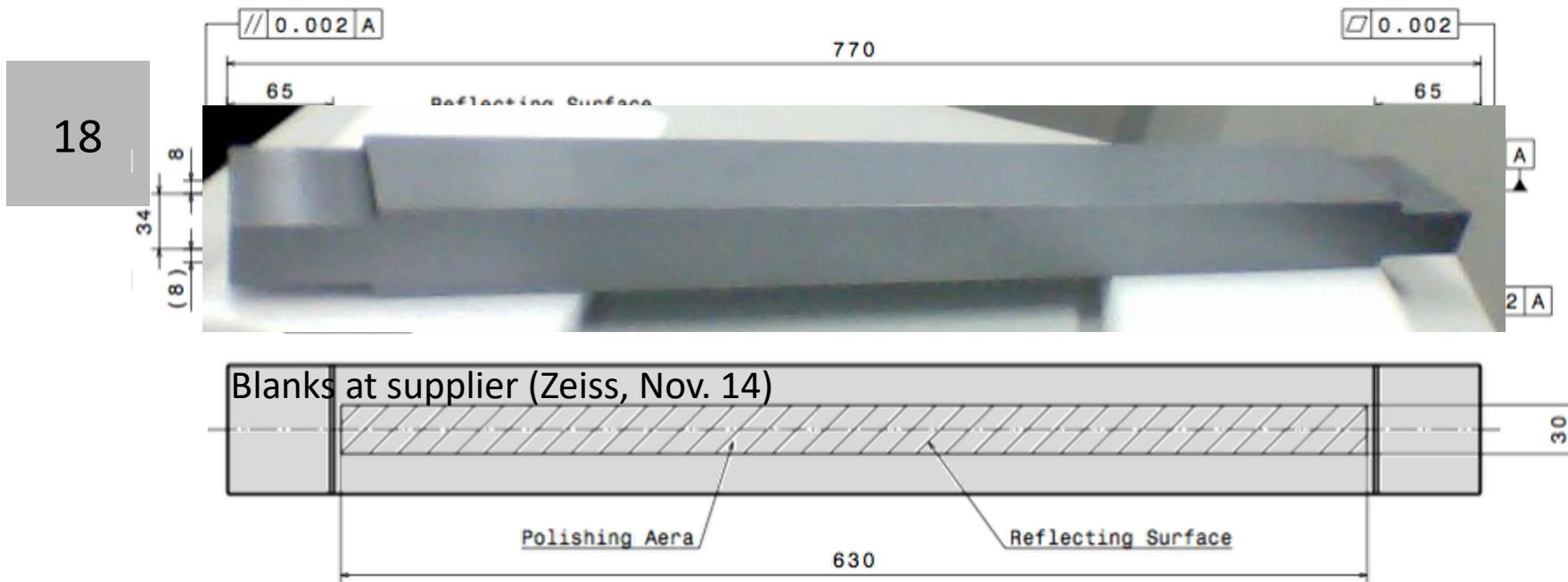
Second stripe: Mo + top B<sub>4</sub>C

Beginning of July 2016  
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coating area above  
width: 44-75 mm (or 44-72 mm)  
(first stripe below)



Courtesy, M. Stoermer, HzG Geesthacht

# Offset Mirror specification

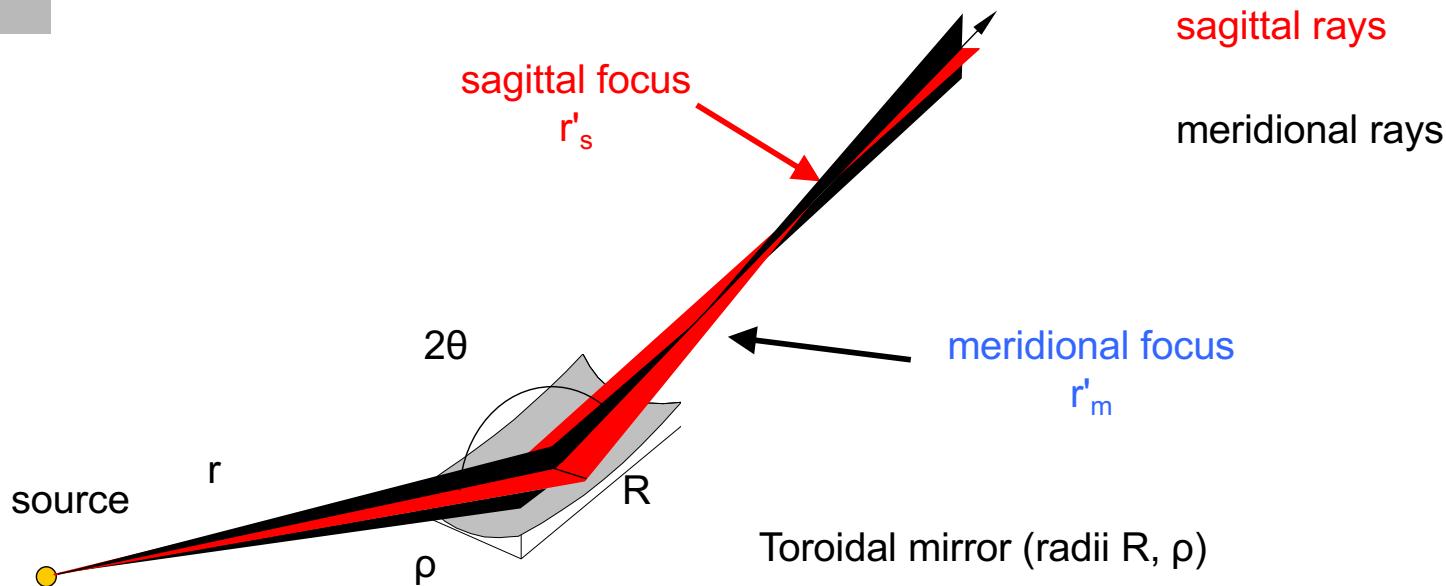


- Bulk : Si (100)
- Height error : < 0.6 nm rms  
: < 3 nm PV
- Microroughness : < 0.2 nm rms
- Dimensions : 770 x 80 x 50 (80) mm<sup>3</sup>
- Optical surface : 630 x 30 mm<sup>2</sup>
- Coatings : SiC/B<sub>4</sub>C, Si , Mo/B<sub>4</sub>C
- Ordered : Jul. 2014, Zeiss and JTEC
- Delivery : Jul. 2015
- Coating : Start Aug. 2016 (HZ Geesthacht)

# Focusing with mirrors

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We must use grazing incidence to enhance reflectance.



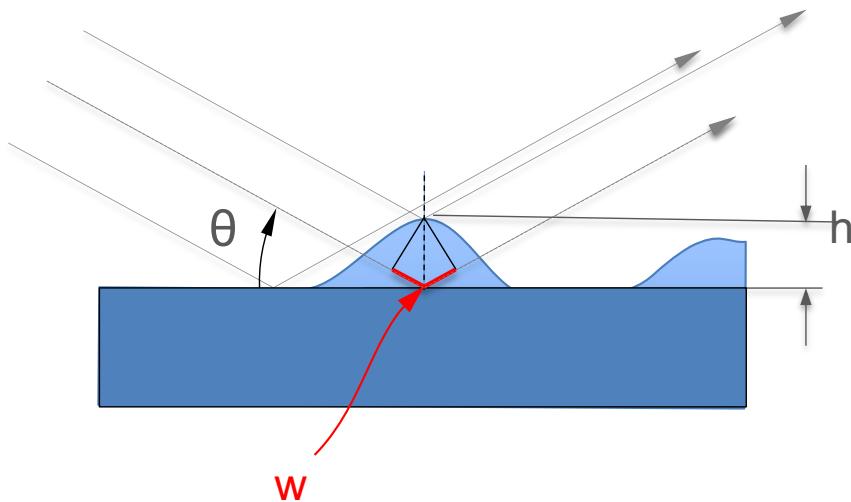
$$\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{r'_s} = \frac{2\cos\theta}{\rho}$$

sagittal focus

„Astigmatic image“ because focii do not coincide  
 „Stigmatic image“ match parameters  $R, \rho$

# What means ideal optics (1)

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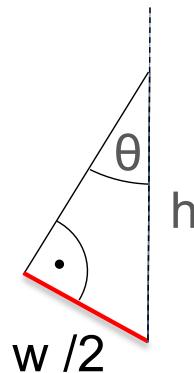


Path difference **w**

$$w = 2h \sin \theta$$

Phase error  $\varphi$

$$\varphi = 2\pi \cdot \frac{2h \sin \theta}{\lambda}$$

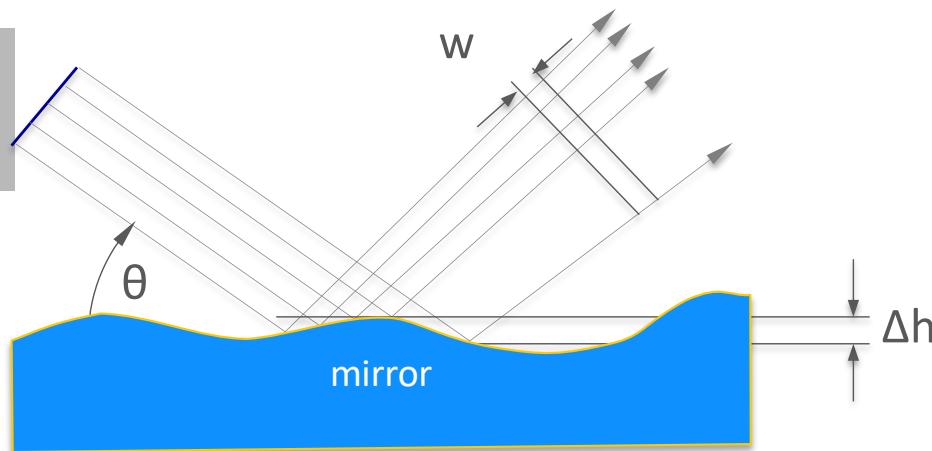


$$\frac{w}{2} = h \sin \theta$$

- Abberations reduce with smaller incidence angle
- Abberations stay constant when  $\sin\theta / \lambda = \text{constant}$

# What means ideal optics (2)

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Height error  $\Delta h \rightarrow$  wave front distortion  $w$

$$w = 2\Delta h \sin \theta$$

$$w_{rms} = 2\sigma_{rms} \sin \theta$$

Wave front distortion  $w_{rms}$

Surface profile errors  $\sigma_{rms}$

Diffraction limited optics:

Maréchal criterion

$$w_{rms} \leq \frac{\lambda}{14}$$

Beamline with N surfaces:

$$\sigma_{rms} \leq \frac{\lambda}{14\sqrt{N} 2\theta}$$

$$N=4, \theta = 0.75^\circ \quad (13 \text{ mrad})$$

$$1800 \text{ eV (0.7nm)} \rightarrow \sigma_{rms} = 1 \text{ nm}$$

$$600 \text{ eV (2 nm)} \rightarrow \sigma_{rms} = 2.7 \text{ nm}$$

$$250 \text{ eV (5 nm)} \rightarrow \sigma_{rms} = 6.8 \text{ nm}$$

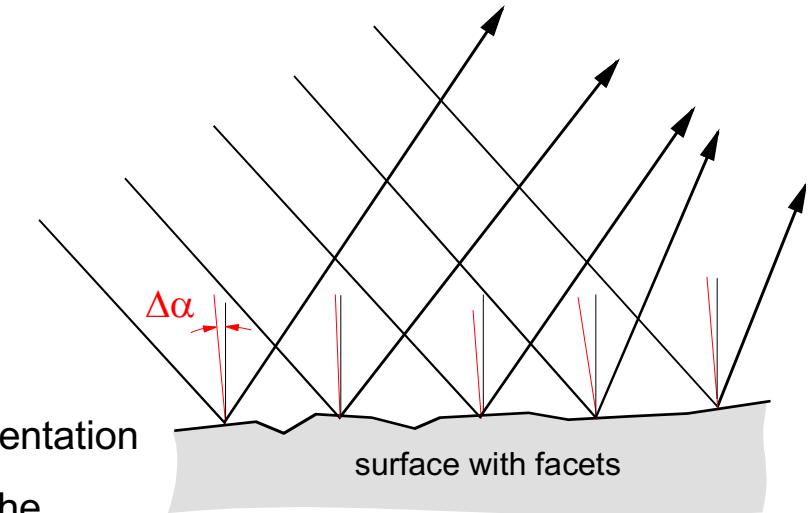
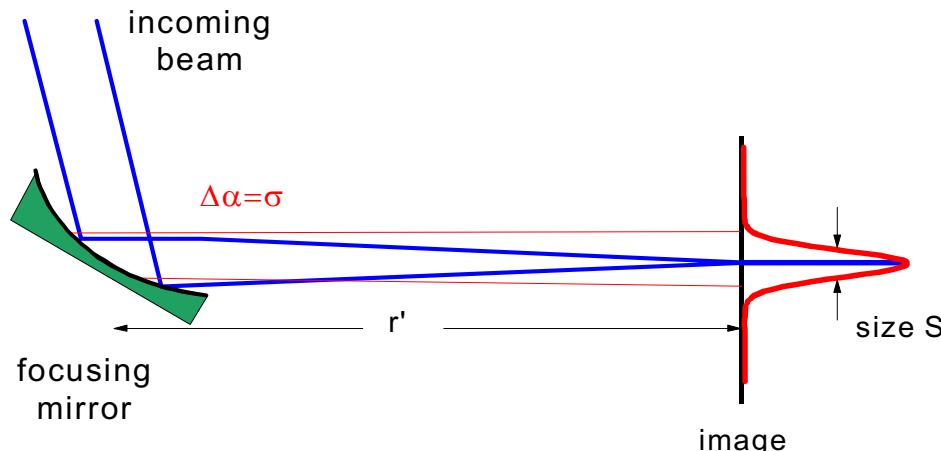
Strongly curved ( $\rho = 1.0..1.4 \text{ m}$ ) mirrors  
Zeiss  $\sigma_{rms} = 10 \text{ nm}$

# Slope errors

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- Consider the surface to be composed of facets
- Each surface normal having an individual angle  $\Delta\alpha_i$  with respect to the mean surface plane.
- The initially parallel incident beams are deflected by  $2 \cdot \Delta\alpha_i$
- Assume a gaussian probability distribution of the facets orientation
- The rms-value of the angular distribution is usually called the slope error  $\sigma$  of the surface.
- The slope errors give rise to a blurring of the image by

$$S = 2 \cdot \sigma \cdot r'$$



Typical values of  $\sigma$  for various mirror shapes

plane and spheres < 0.1 arcsec

toroids < 0.5 arcsec

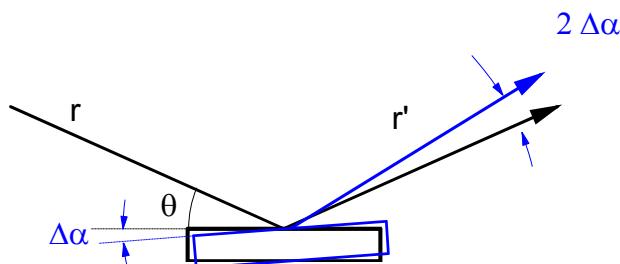
elliptical, paraboloidal < 2 arcsec

Note that FWHM =  $2.3 \cdot \sigma$

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## Meridional focusing

- Focusing in the plane of deflection
- How do surface errors influence the image size?

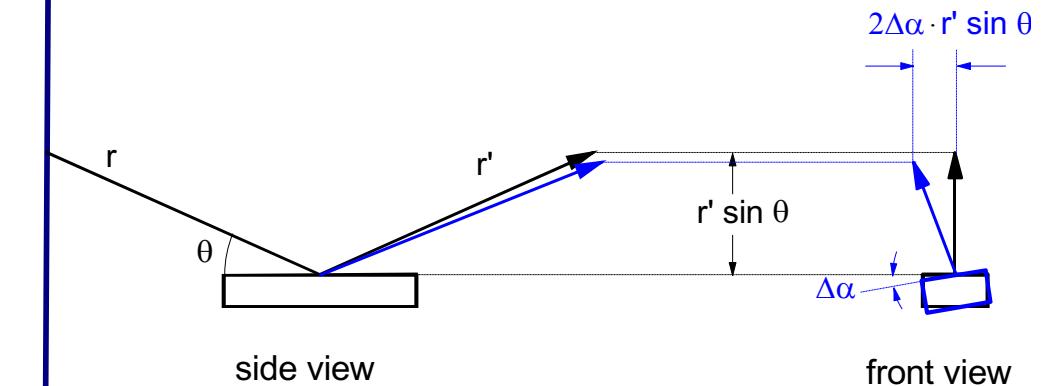


side view

- Suppose the surface is tilted in the plane of deflection (which is the focusing plane) by  $\Delta\alpha$
- the incident beam is then deflected by  $2 \cdot \Delta\alpha$
- and the Image size in the focusing plane is increased by  $\Delta S = 2 r' \Delta\alpha$

## Sagittal focusing

Focusing in the plane perpendicular to deflection



side view

front view

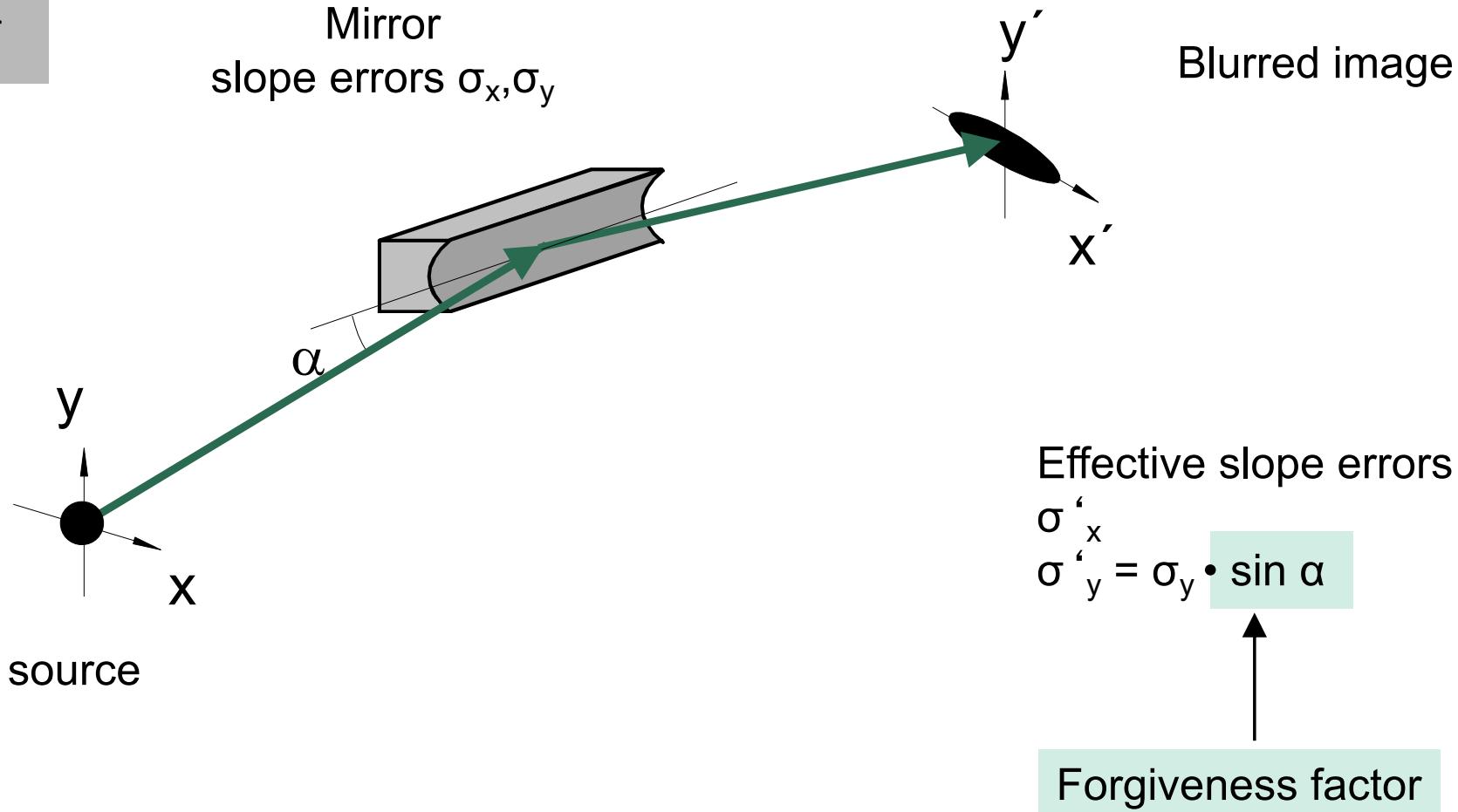
- Surface tilts in the plane of deflection do not affect the image size in the focusing plane.
- A surface tilt in the focusing plane cause the incident beam to be deflected by  $2 \cdot \Delta\alpha$ ,
- and the image size in the focusing plane is increased by  $\Delta S = 2 r' \Delta\alpha \sin \theta$

Sagittal focusing reduces the effective slope errors by  $\sin \theta$  (reduction by a factor 10-30).

W. Cash, Applied Optics 26 (1987) 2915.

# Sagittal focusing

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Deflection plane( $x, x'$ )

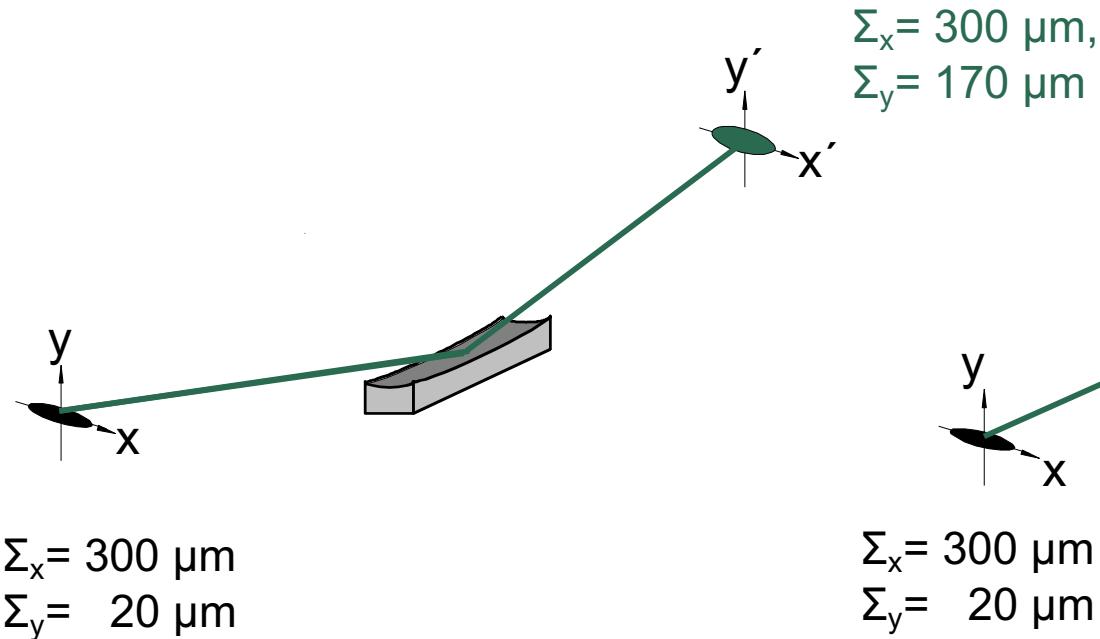
Focusing plane ( $y, y'$ )

# Sagittal vs. Meridional focusing (Example)

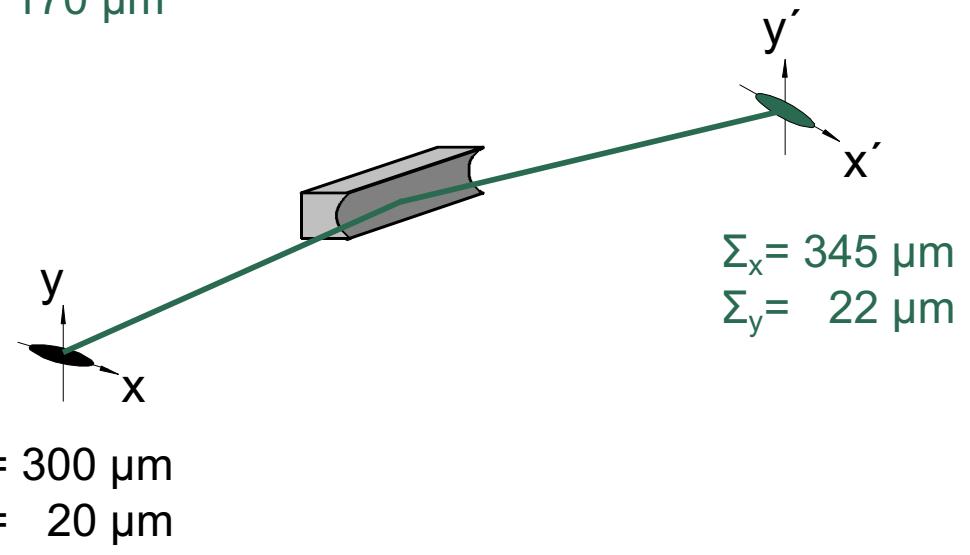
Incident angle  $3^\circ$ , 17m :17m imaging, **slope error 1 arcsec**

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## meridional focusing



## sagittal focusing



**Increase in area: 8.5**

**Increase in area: 1.3**

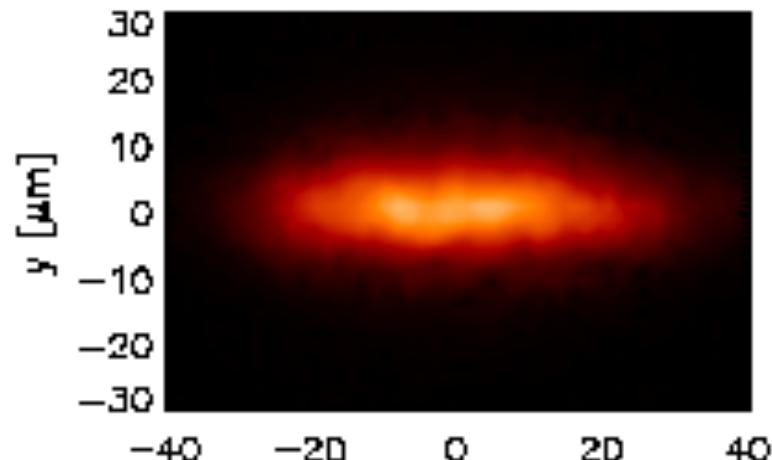
**sagittal focusing preserves brilliance at 3<sup>rd</sup> generation SR**

**Put dispersion plane perpendicular to deflection of mirrors!**

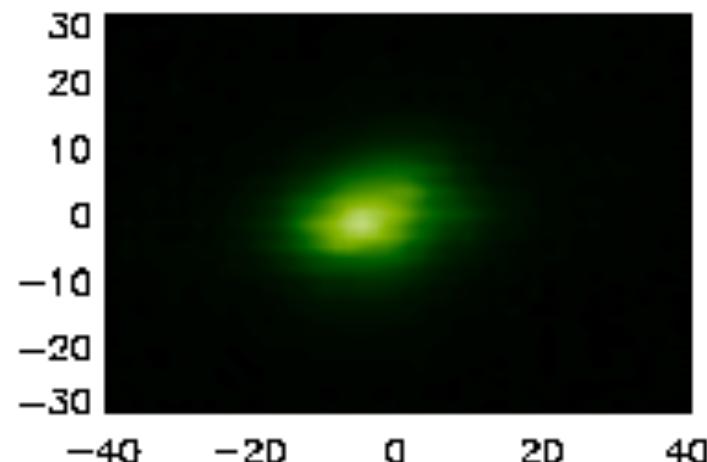
## Focus of UE52-SGM beamline at BESSY II

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old mirror (1,5 arcsec)



new mirror (0,14 arcsec)



hor. focus

 $43 \mu\text{m}$ 

hor. focus

 $17 \mu\text{m}$ 

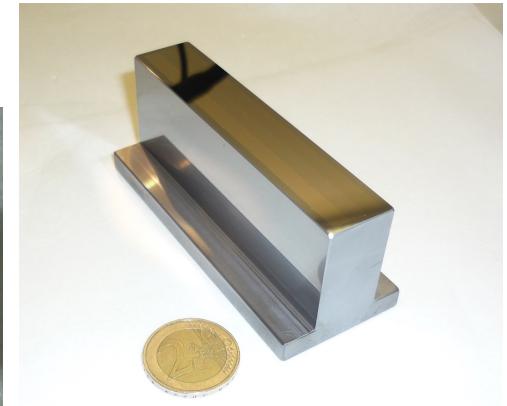
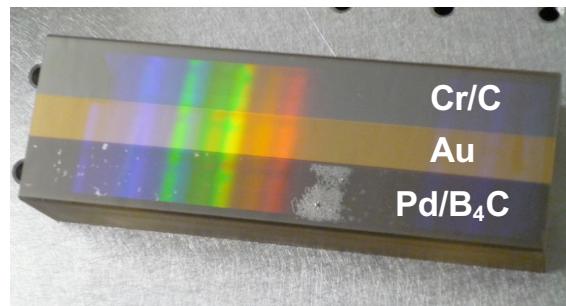
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# Gratings

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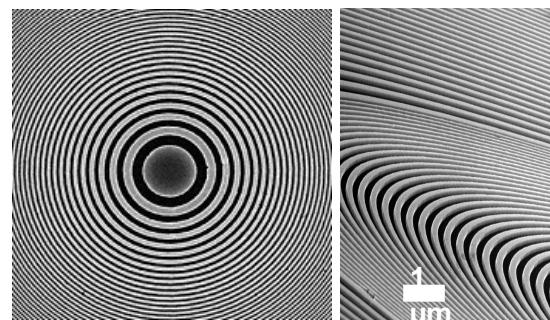
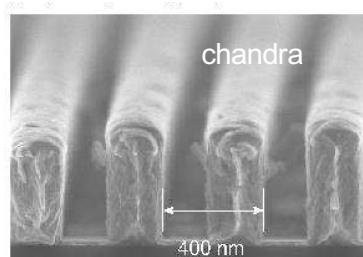
## Majority of soft X-ray beamlines use reflection gratings

- High resolving power (100 000)
- Wide spectral range (one decade)
- Stability
- Efficient cooling of substrate
- Single crystal silicon



## Alternatives

- Transmission gratings
- Zone plates
- Multilayer mirrors

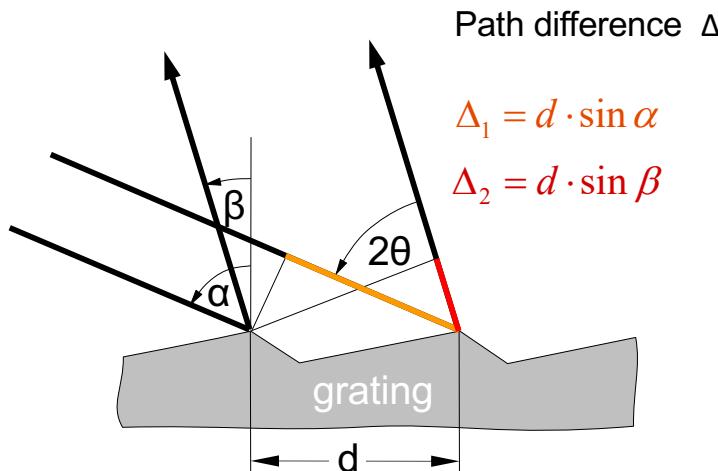


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# Grating equation

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$N=1/d$  : Line density  
 $\alpha$  : incidence angle  
 $\beta$  : diffraction angle  
 $2\theta=\alpha-\beta$  : deflection angle



$$\Delta = \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = d(\sin \alpha + \sin \beta)$$

Constructive Interference

$$\Delta = m \cdot \lambda$$

$m$ : diffraction order (any integer)

**Grating equation:**

$$m\lambda = d(\sin \alpha + \sin \beta)$$

$$Nm\lambda = \sin \alpha + \sin \beta$$

$$Nm\lambda = 2 \cos \theta \sin(\theta + \beta)$$

From path function

**Grating equation**

$$F_{10} = m \frac{\lambda}{d} - (\sin \alpha + \sin \beta) = 0$$

$$m \frac{\lambda}{d} = mN\lambda = \sin \alpha + \sin \beta$$

(grating equation)

$$\frac{\partial \beta}{\partial \alpha} = -\frac{\cos \alpha}{\cos \beta} \equiv \frac{1}{c}$$

(angular magnification)

**Meridional focus condition (  $R=\infty$  )**

$$F_{20} = \frac{\cos^2 \alpha}{r} + \frac{\cos^2 \beta}{r_M'} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r_M'}{r} = -\frac{\cos^2 \beta}{\cos^2 \alpha} = -c^2$$

**Sagittal focus condition (  $R=\infty, a_{02}=0$  )**

$$F_{02} = \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{r_s'} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r_s' = -r$$

Even plan gratings have focusing properties (Murphy 1956)

# Grating equation and magnification

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distance  $r'$

Virtual source  
size  $s'$

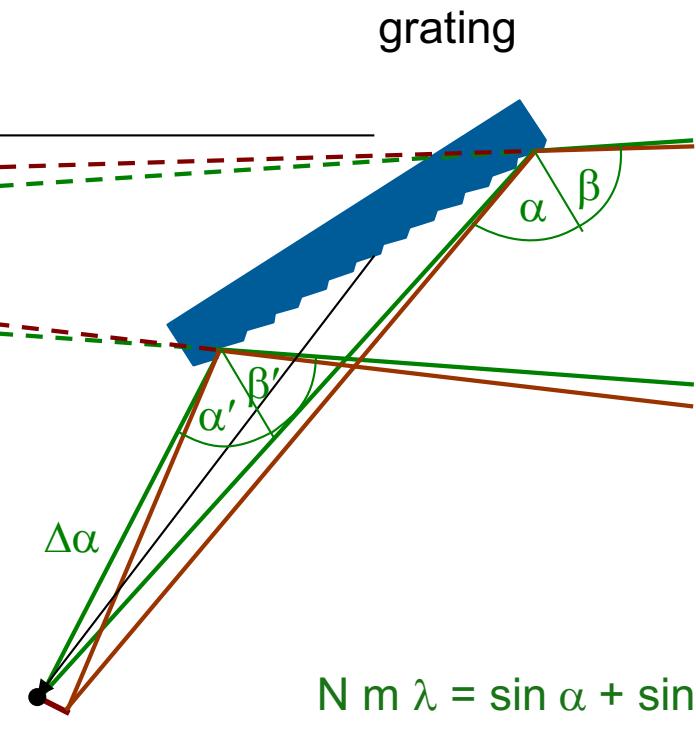
Ang. magnification

$$\Delta\beta = \Delta\alpha/c$$

$$r' = -c^2 r$$

Magnification

$$s' = c s$$



$$\begin{aligned} N m \lambda &= \sin \alpha + \sin \beta \\ N m \lambda &= \sin \alpha' + \sin \beta' \\ \text{Same wavelength} \end{aligned}$$

$$c = \cos \beta / \cos \alpha$$

# Modes of operation

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The grating equation connects two free variables ( $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ) to only one dependent,  $\lambda$ . This allows to fulfill an additional condition.

$$Nm\lambda = \sin \alpha + \sin \beta$$

**Constant c-value  $c=\cos \beta / \cos \alpha$ :**

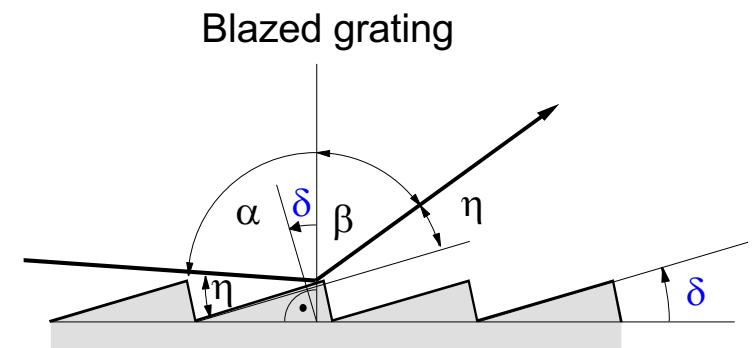
$$\beta = -\arcsin\left(B + \sqrt{B^2 - 1}\right) \quad \text{with} \quad B = \frac{mN\lambda c}{1 - c^2}$$

**Fixed deviation  $2\theta = \alpha - \beta$**

$$\beta = \arcsin\left(\frac{mN\lambda}{\sin \theta}\right) - \theta$$

**On blaze mode,  $2\delta = \alpha + \beta$  is fixed**  $(\alpha - \delta = -\beta + \delta)$

$$\beta = -\arccos\left(\frac{mN\lambda}{2 \sin \delta}\right) + \delta$$



**Other focusing conditions (SGM, VLS-monochromators,...)**

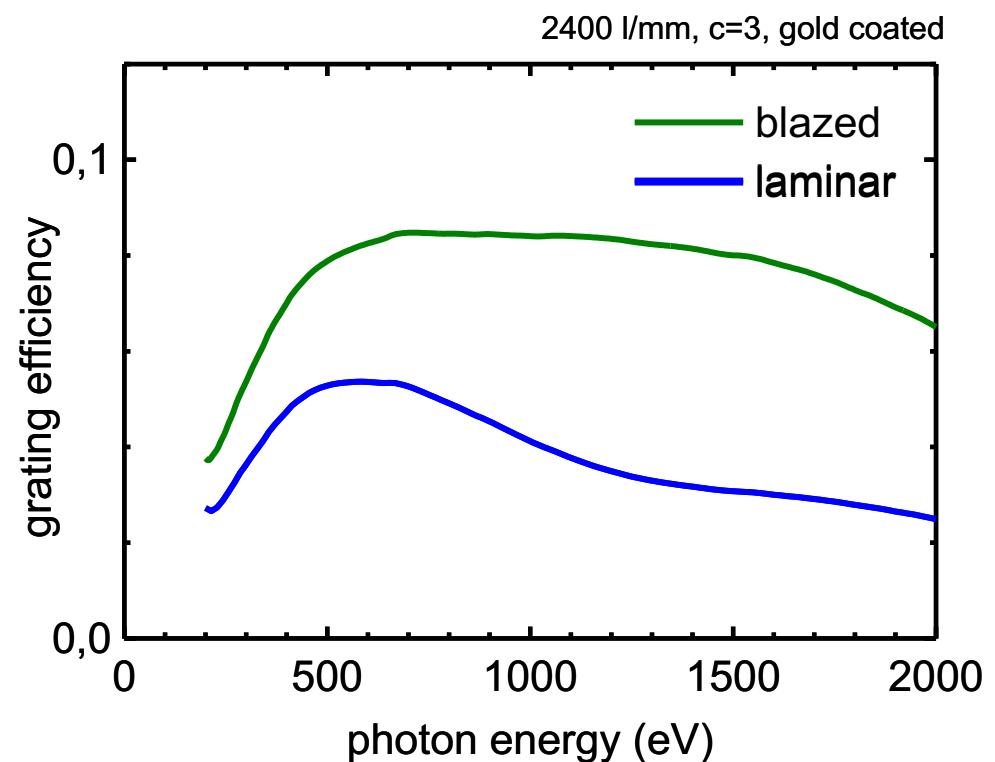
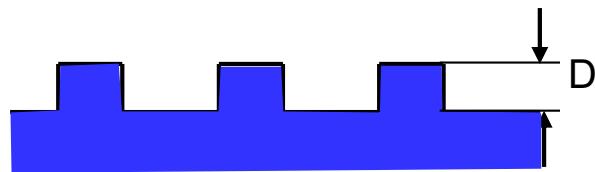
# Grating profile

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blazed profile



Laminar profile



**Blazed profile with significantly higher grating efficiency  
but only a few suppliers for blazed gratings**

# Grating parameters

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## Guidlines for grating parameters

### - Profile

Laminar : high spectral purity



Blaze : high flux



### - Line density N (Energy range: In grating equation only dimensionless product $m \cdot N \cdot \lambda$ )

High : High photon energies, high resolution (1200 - 2400 l/mm)

Low : high grating efficiency (150-300 l/mm)

### - Diffraction order m

Inside : high demagnification, insensitive to source position variations

Outside : large acceptance

### - Groove depth D and valley to groove width w, blaze angle $\delta$

-  $D = 5 - 40 \text{ nm}$ ,  $w = 0.5-0.7$ ,  $\delta = 0.8^\circ - 4^\circ$

# Higher order content

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Higher order light perturbs

- Reflecometry
- Determination of cross sections
- Non linear optics
- ...

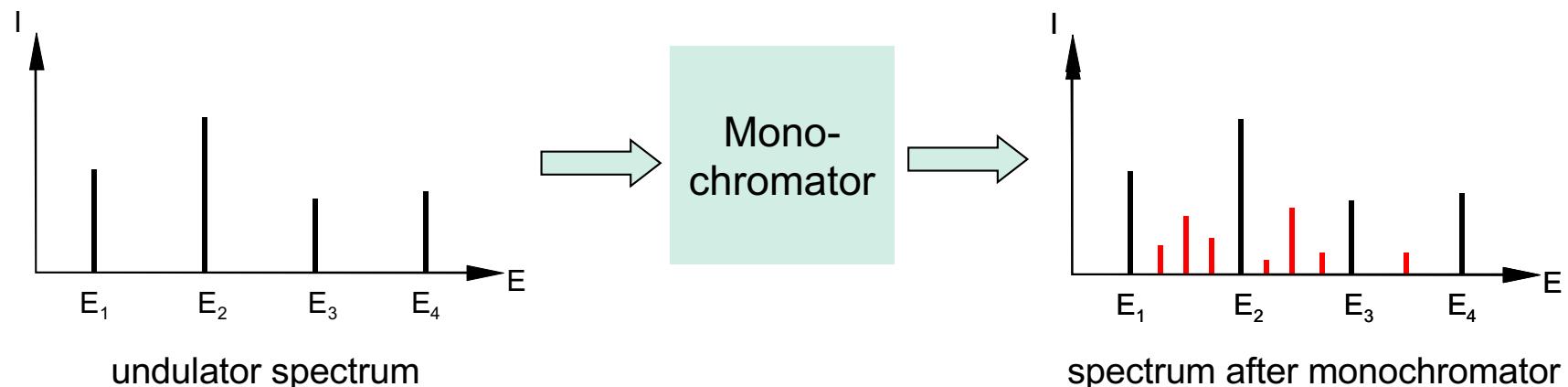
## Determination of higher order

Quantitative:

Secondary spectrometer for selected beamline energies

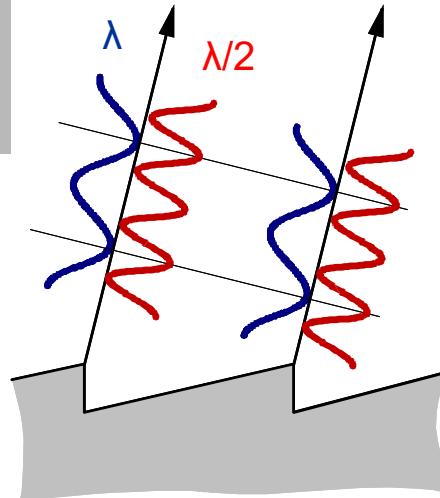
Qualitative :

Measure beamline output for fixed undulator gap



# False light

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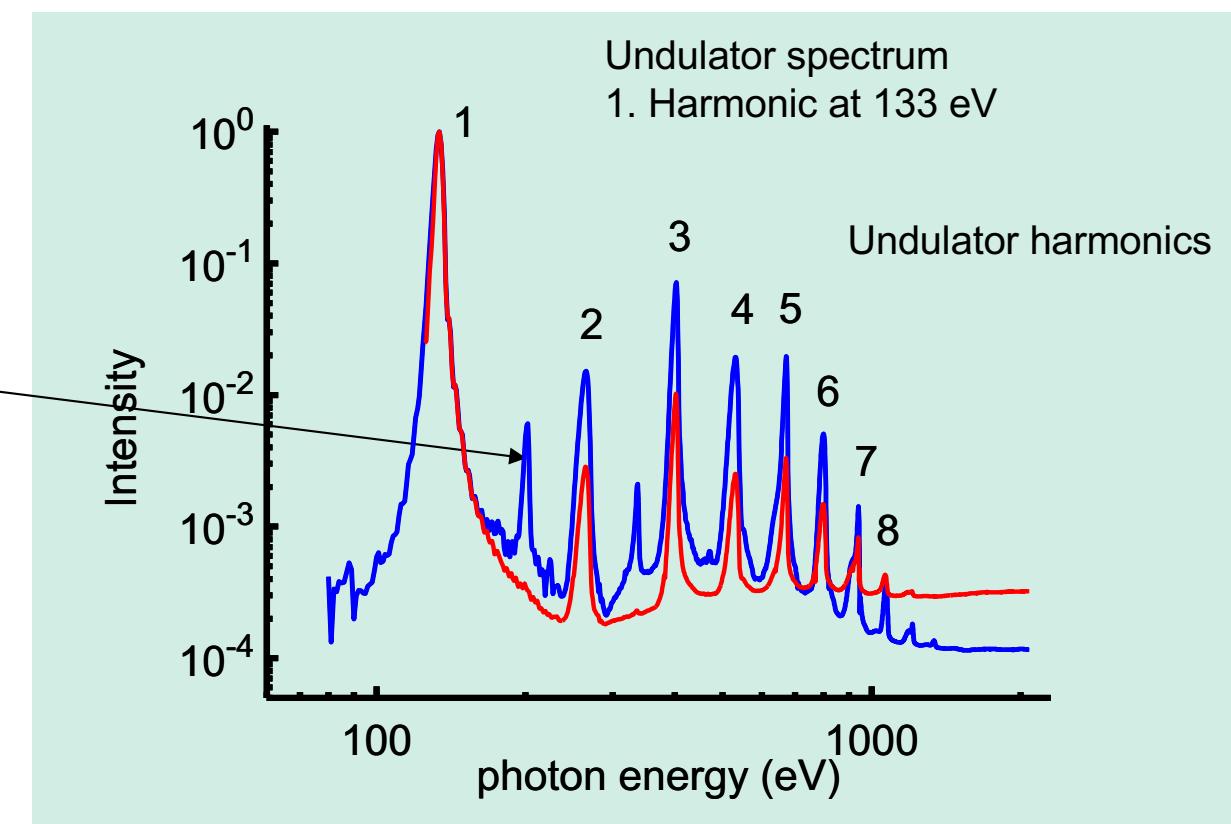
This is no 200 eV light  
It is 400 eV!

Can be suppressed by  
deflection angle or c-value  
( $c=2.25$  /  $c=1.4$ )

If wavelength  $\lambda$  shows constructive interference  
then also  $\lambda/2$ ,  $\lambda/3$ , ...

Although you tune the monochromator to a  
**specific photon energy**, you probably get a  
**totally different one**

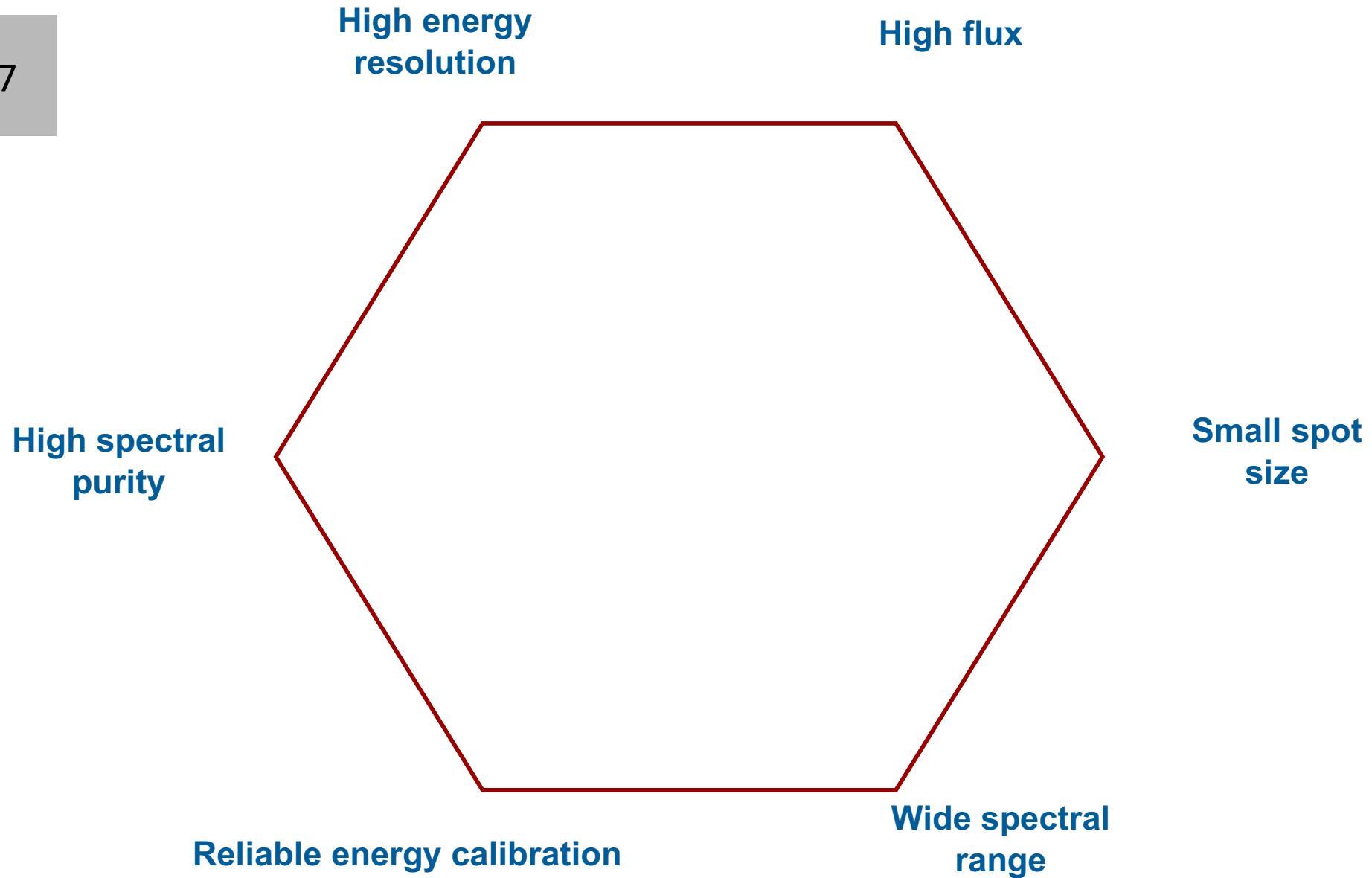
FALSE LIGHT



# Grating Monochromators

# Optimization goals

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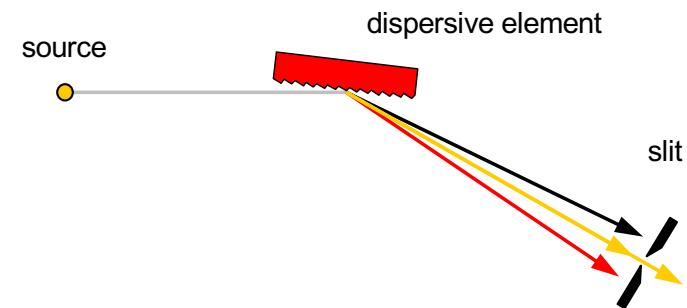


# Function of beamline components

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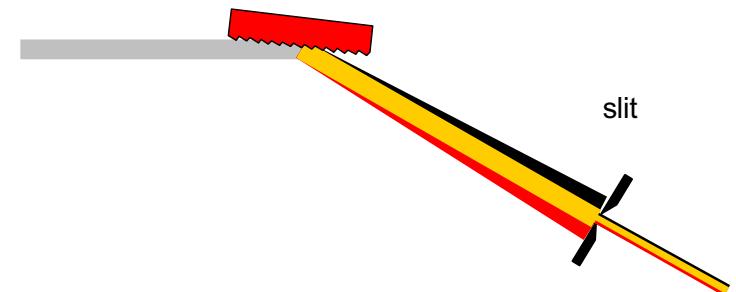
- **Dispersive element**

- Point source emits pencil of white light.
- Dispersive element separates wavelength.
- Slit selects one wavelength.



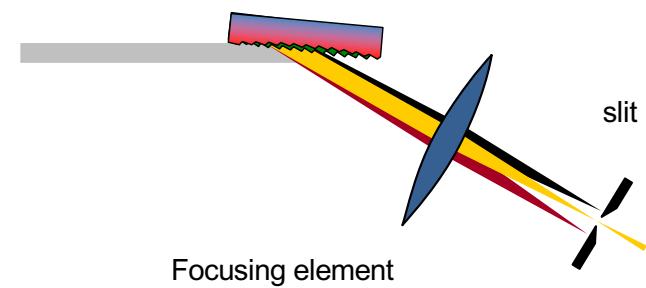
- **Finite beam cross section**

- Light of different colours transmit through the slit.



- **Use focusing element**

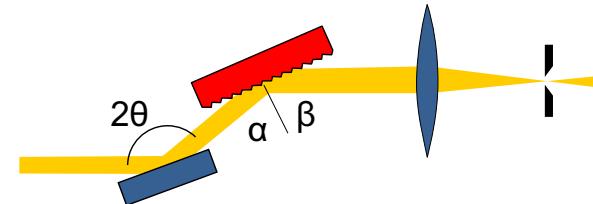
- Focusing element / slit select angular directions.  
Slit selects single wavelength.
- Focusing and dispersive element can be merged into one element.



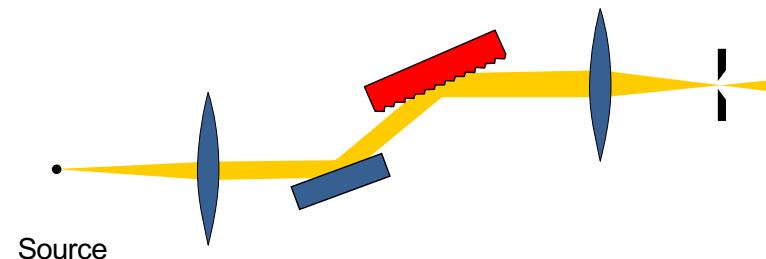
# Function of beamline components

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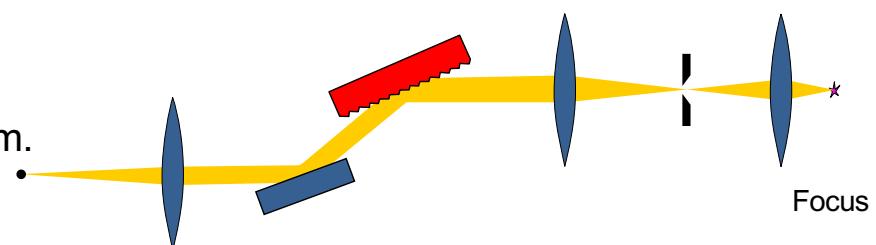
- Additional plane mirror
  - Independent setting of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .



- Source point is at finite distance
  - Preoptic matches source to the beamlne.
  - Collimates the light.



- Experiment cannot placed at the slit
  - Refocusing optics brings light to the experiment.
  - Small spot ≈30 μm in a distance of 800 -1500 mm.

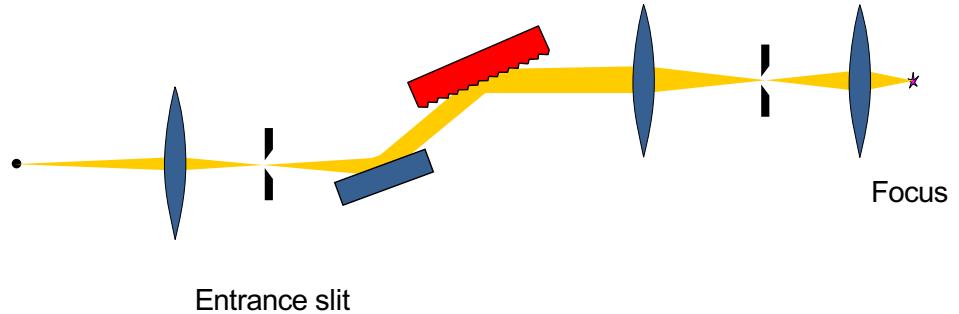


# Function of beamline components

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- **Entrance slit**

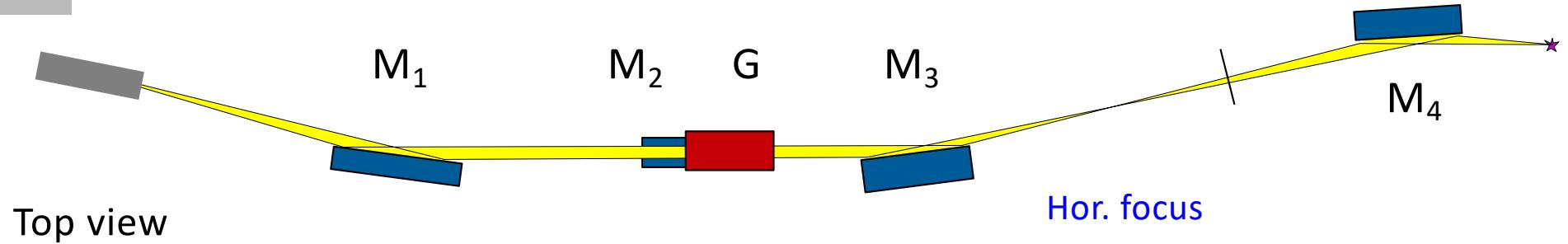
- Defines source point independent of the electron beam of the storage ring.



## General guidelines

- Few optical surfaces.
- Reduce number of moving components.
- Horizontal beam trajectories facilitates alignment.

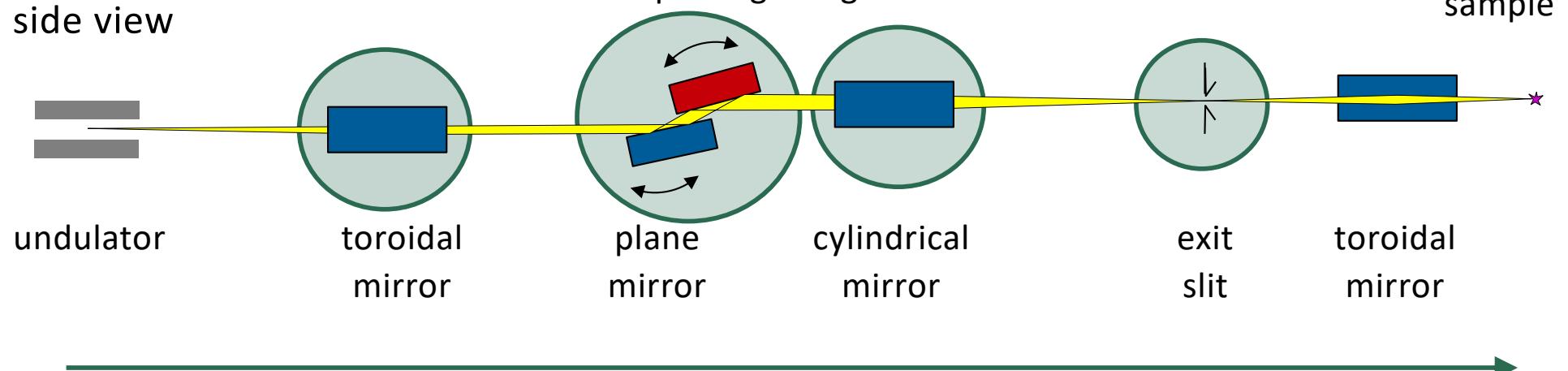
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Top view

### Sagittal focusing

side view

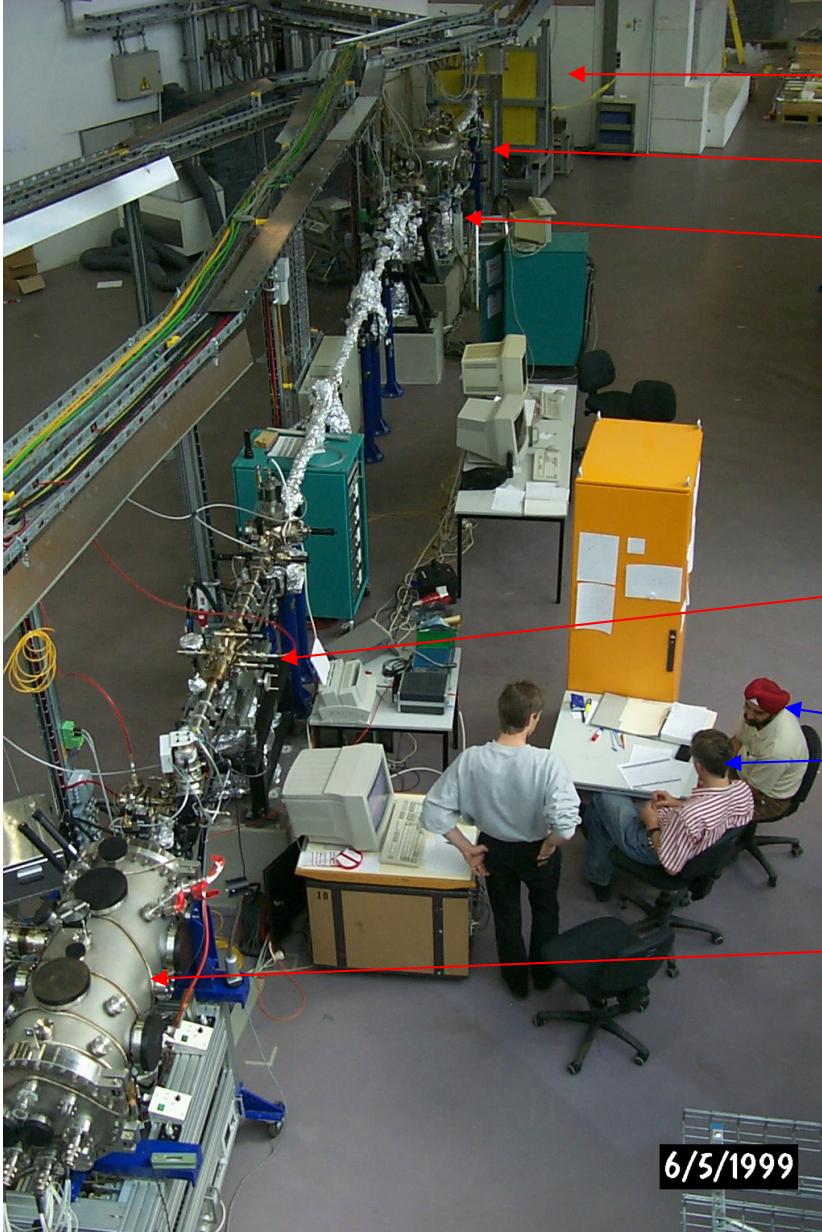


### Variable magnification

### Vertical dispersion

# Undulator beamline at BESSY

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Pre optics

Grating chamber

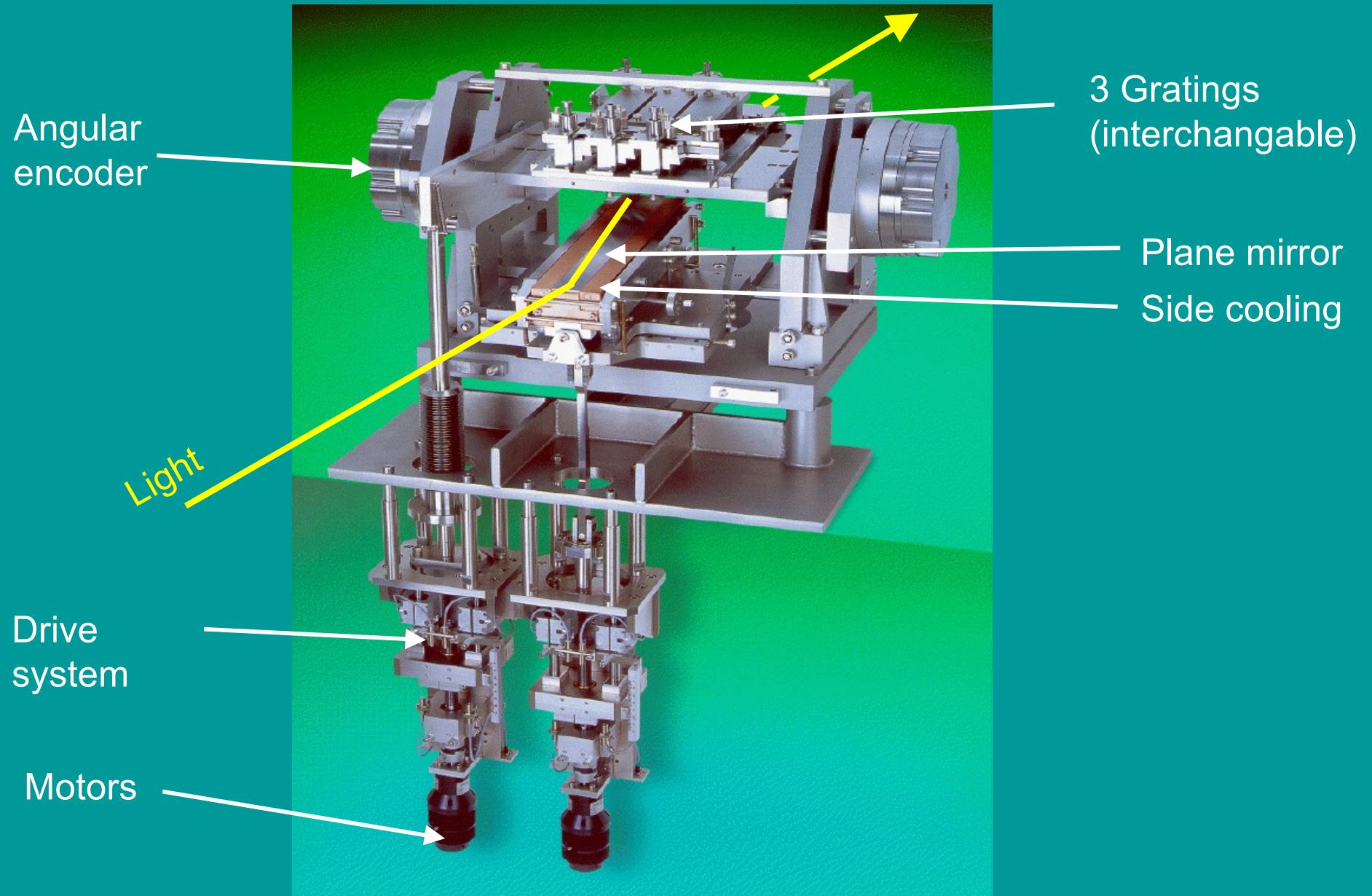
Focusing chamber

Exit slit

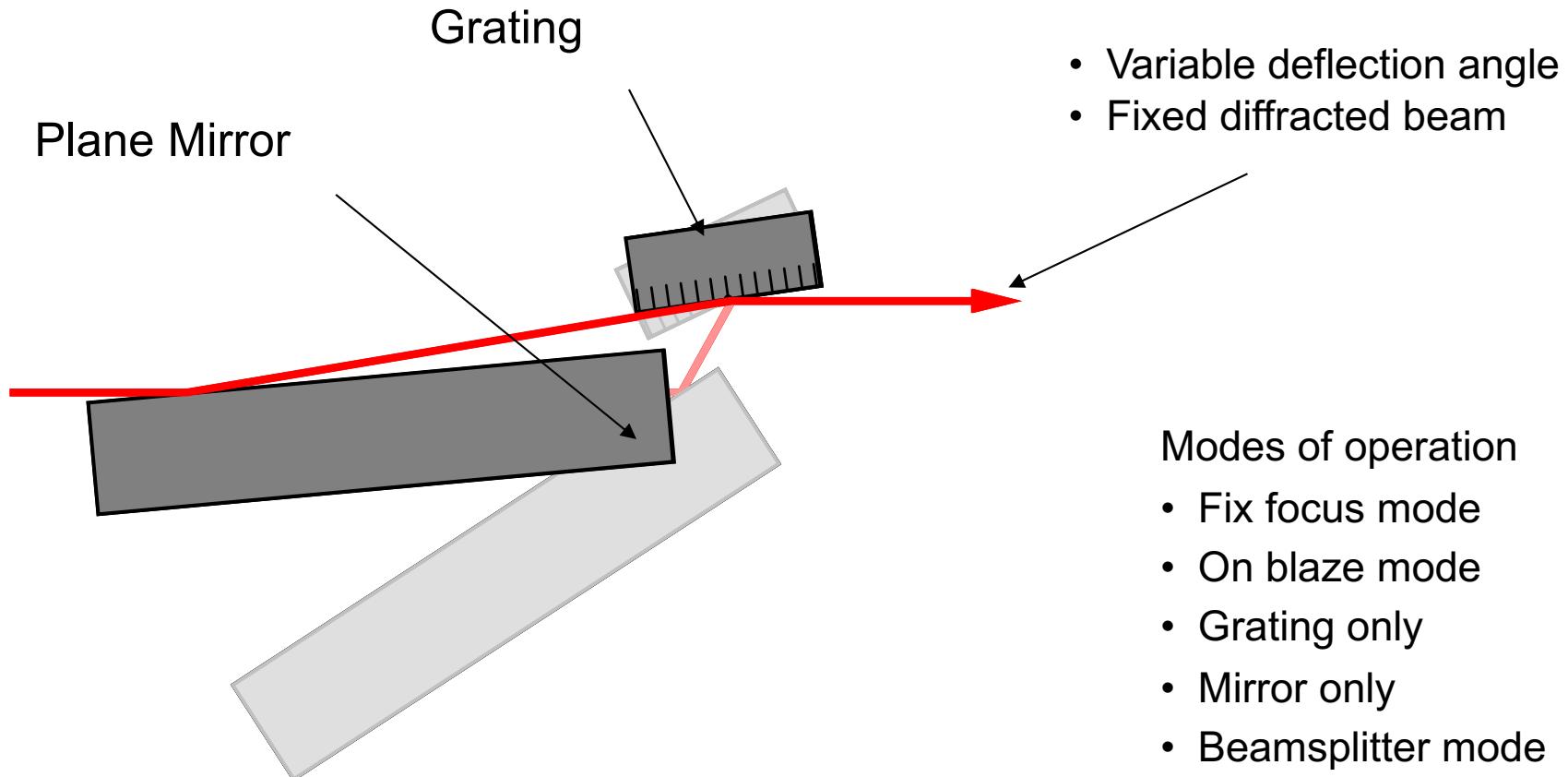
Beamline scientists

Polarimeter

# Grating chamber mechanic



## SX700: First plane grating monochromator with tilting premirror

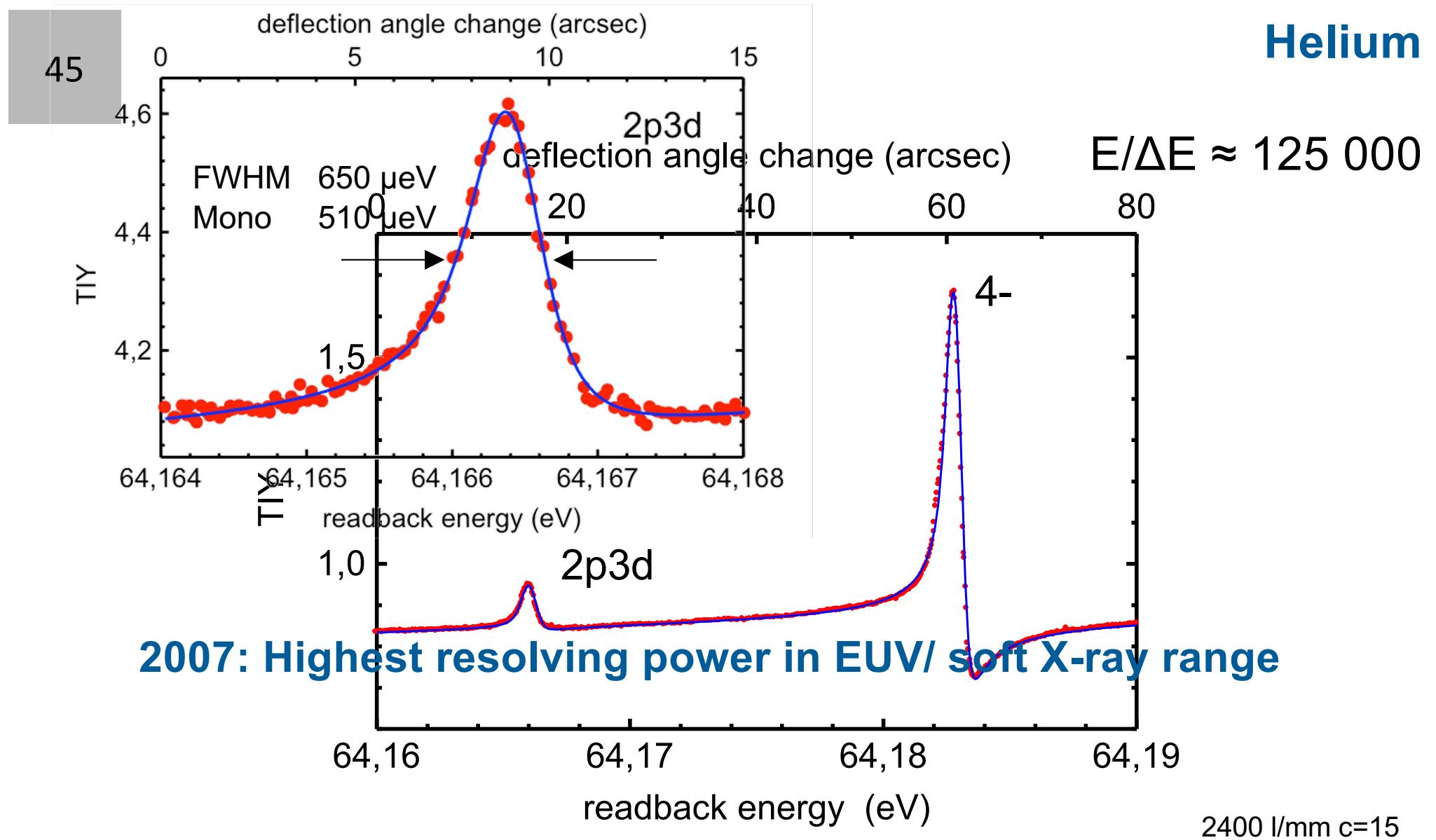


**Incident ( $\alpha$ ) and diffraction angle ( $\beta$ ) at the grating can be set independently**

H. Petersen, Opt. Comm. **40**, 402 (1982)

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# Ionization of noble gas

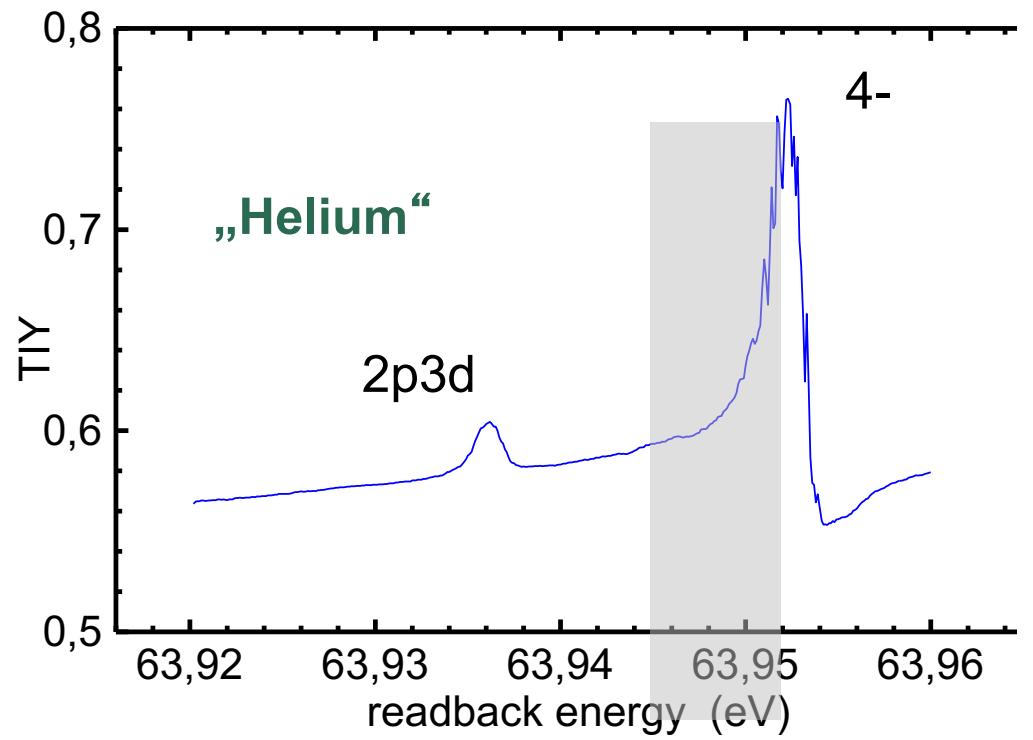


# What can go wrong?

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**Crane moves over beamline**



**Ist not allowed to operate the crane during measurements**

# Plane grating monochromator

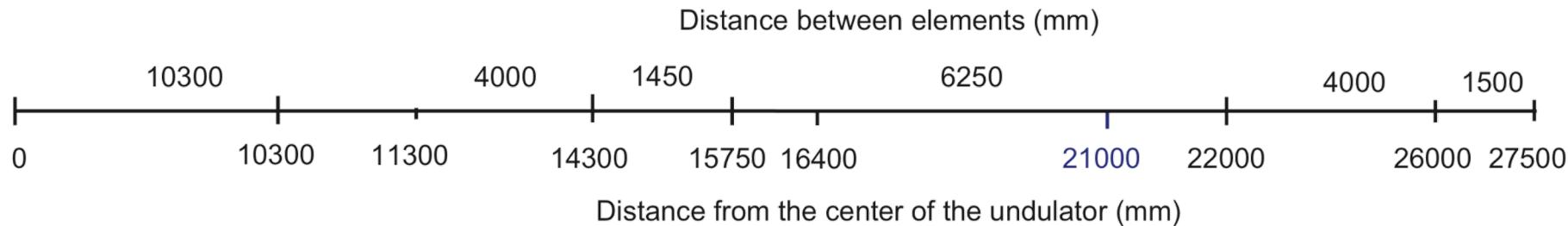
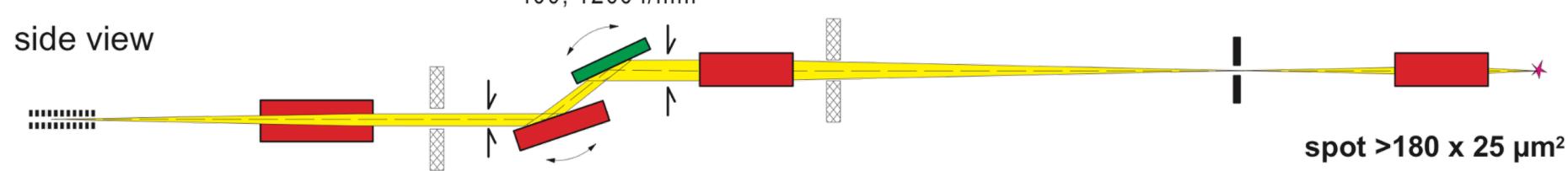
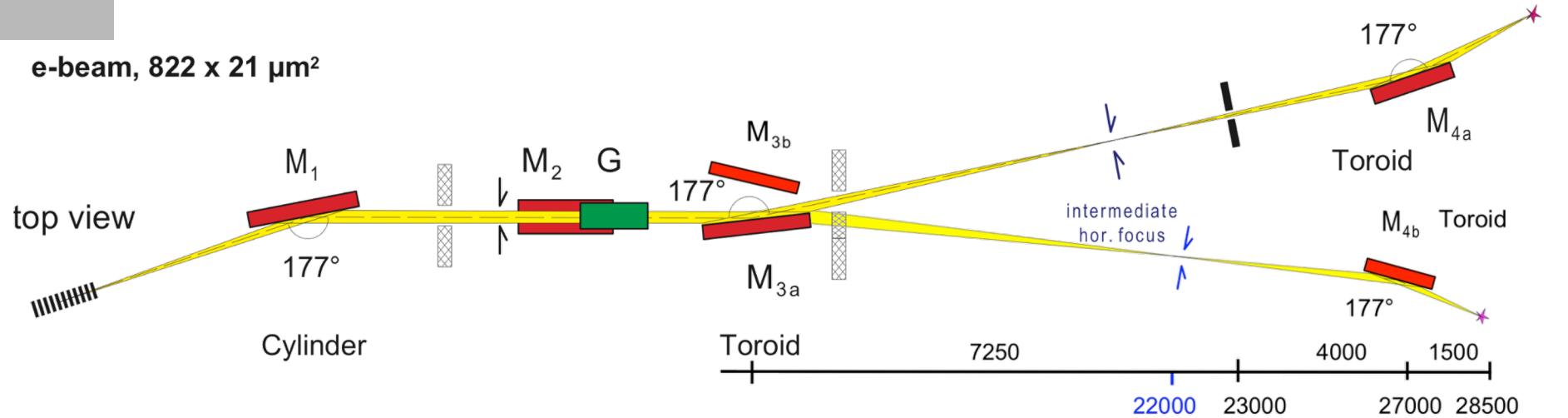
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- Vertical dispersion plane set up by the grating
- Sagittal focusing: horizontally deflecting, vertically focusing
- Plane grating monochromator with variable deflection angle
- Illumination of grating with collimated light allows free choice of demagnification c
- Heat load effects on  $M_1$  do not deteriorate the performance
- Typical length of 3rd generation beamlines up to 35 m
- Long exit arm for highest resolving power
- Use high c-value for high energy resolution, low c-value for high spectral purity

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- Branch a in phase 1, branch b postponed

e-beam,  $822 \times 21 \mu\text{m}^2$



# Mirror parameters

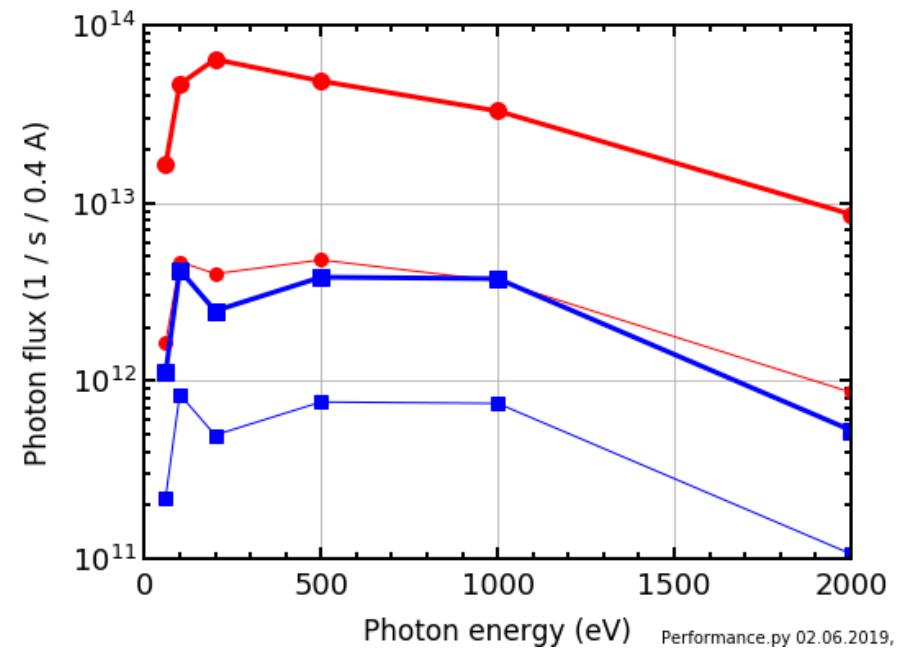
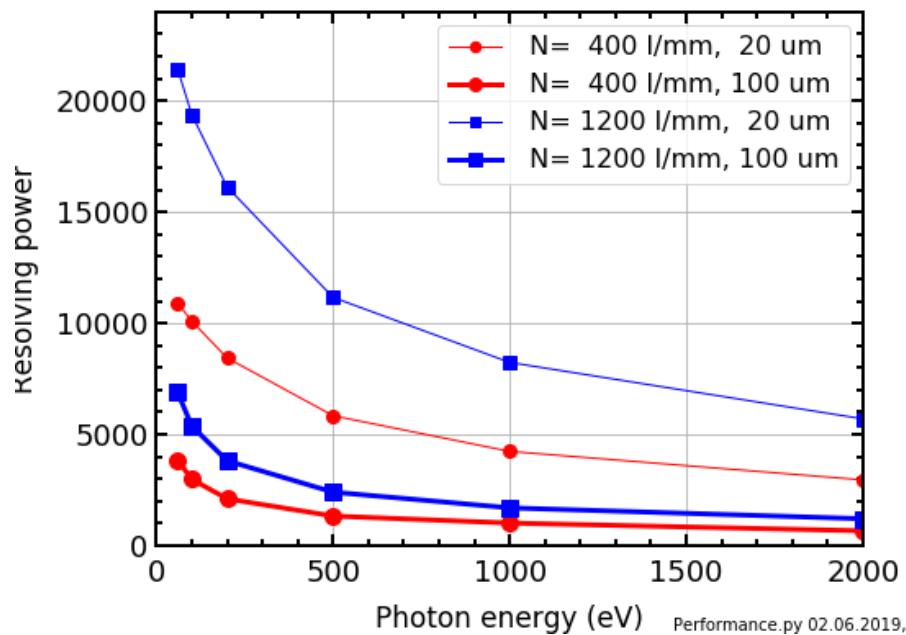
specifications

Photon Energy	unit	M1	M2	M3a	M3b	M4a/b	G-1	G-2
Shape		Cylindrical	Plane	Toroidal	Toroidal	Toroidal	Plane	Plane
Geometrical surface	mm <sup>2</sup>	310 x 25	360 x 40*	310 x 40	310 x 40	410 x 50	100 x 20	100 x 20
Optical surface	mm <sup>2</sup>	300 x 20	350 x 20	300 x 30	300	400 x 20	95 x 15	95 x 15
Slope error (m/s)	arcsec	0.5"/1"	0.1"	0.5"/1"	0.5"/1"	0.5"/1"	0.1"	0.1"
Source distance (m/s)	m	10.3	-	15.75 /∞	15.75 /∞	5 / 4	-	-
Image distance (m/s)	m	∞	-	5.25/6.25	6.25/7.25	1.5	-	-
Incidence angle		1.5°	1°- 8°	1.5°	1.5°	1.5°	1° - 13°	1° - 13°
Radius	mm	ρ=539	∞	ρ=327 R=300800	ρ=380 R=341900	ρ=57 R= 88150		
Line density	1/mm						400	1200
Blaze angle							0.8°±0.1°	1.4°±0.1°

\* M2 width 30 mm in Specification

- Branch a

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- Refurbished undulator from BESSY II

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		UE 56
Periodlength	(mm)	56
Periods		30
1. Harmonic	(eV)	70 - 350
$k_{\max}$		5.3 – 2.0
P	(kW)	2.7 – 0.4

Sesame:  $E_e = 2.5 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $I = 400 \text{ mA}$

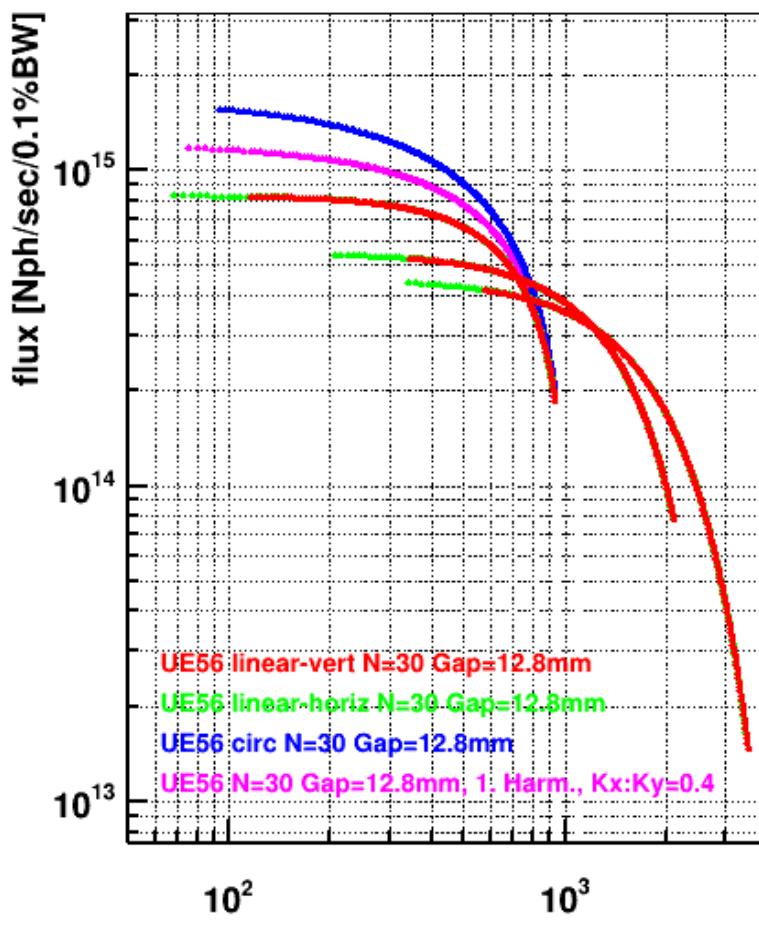
BESSY II:  $E_e = 1.7 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $I = 400 \text{ mA}$

$$K_{\max} = 5.3 \quad (3.7)$$

$$P = 2700 \text{ W} \quad (600 \text{ W})$$

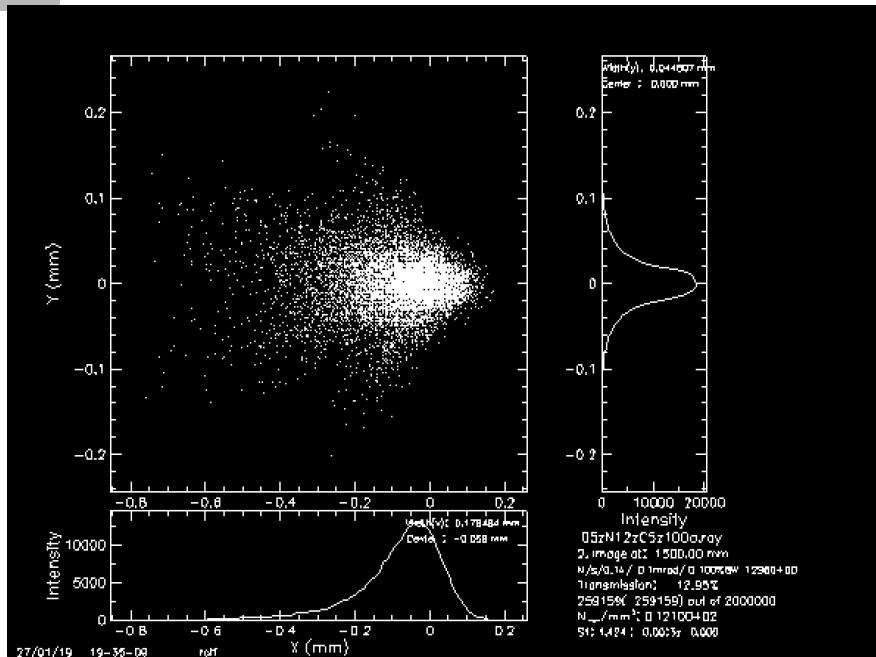
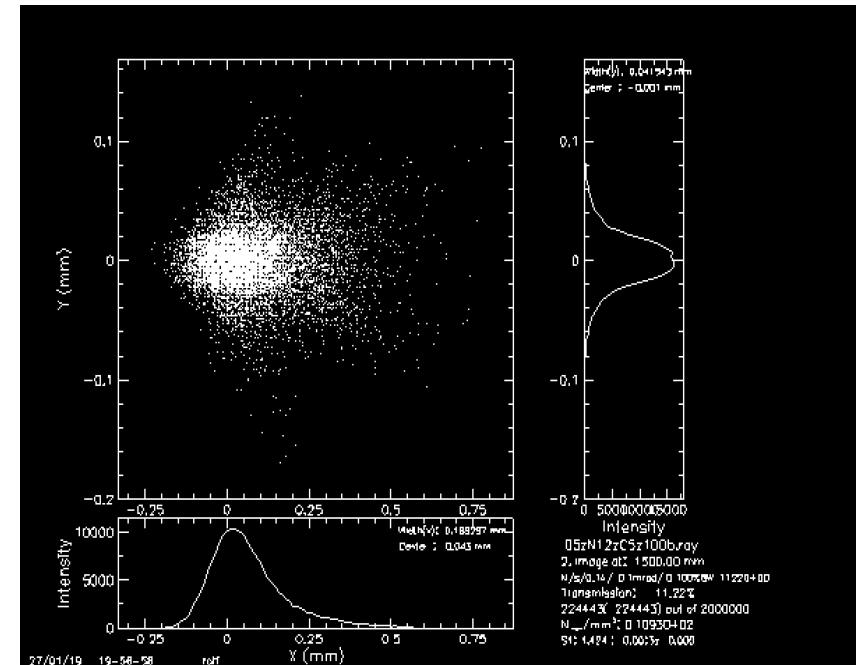
$$p = 5100 \text{ W/mrad}^2 \quad (765 \text{ W/mrad}^2)$$

Flux, 2.5 GeV, 400 mA



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Branch **a**, 100 µm exit slit 100 eVBranch **b**, 100 µm exit slit 100 eV

Depending on exit slit size (20 – 100 µm and photon energy 100 eV – 2000 eV)

Spotsize

Hor: 120 – 180 µm

Vert: 10 – 50 µm

Spotsize

Hor: 140 – 200 µm

Vert: 10 – 50 µm

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