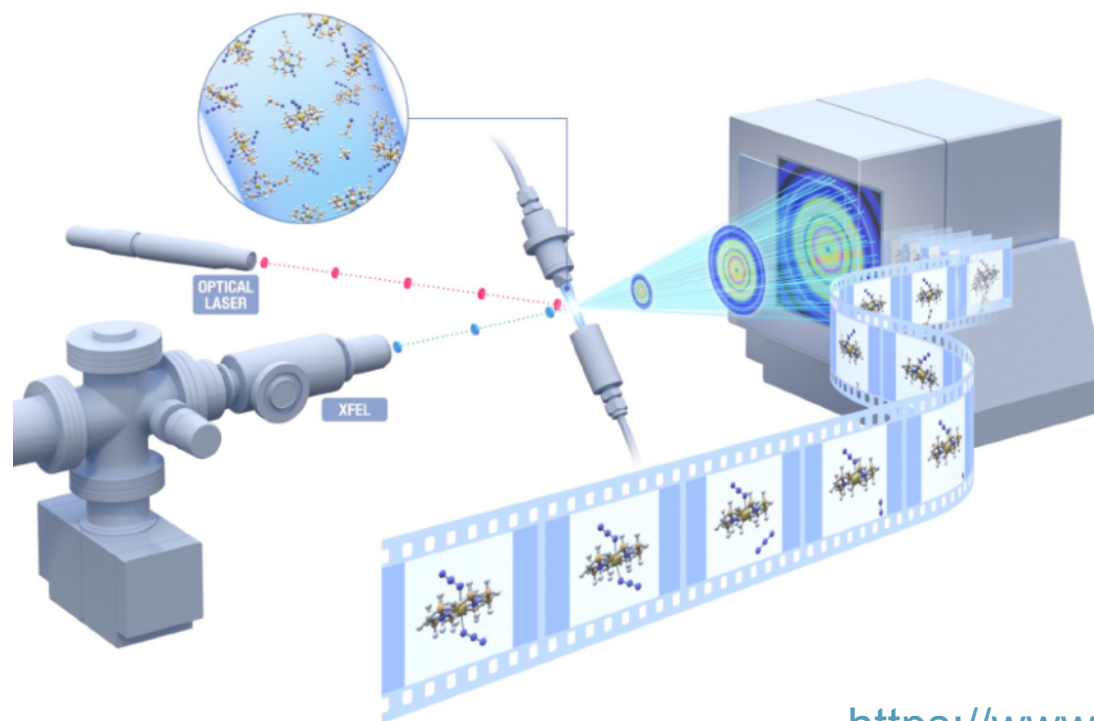


# Run 9 @ Femtosecond X-ray Experiments



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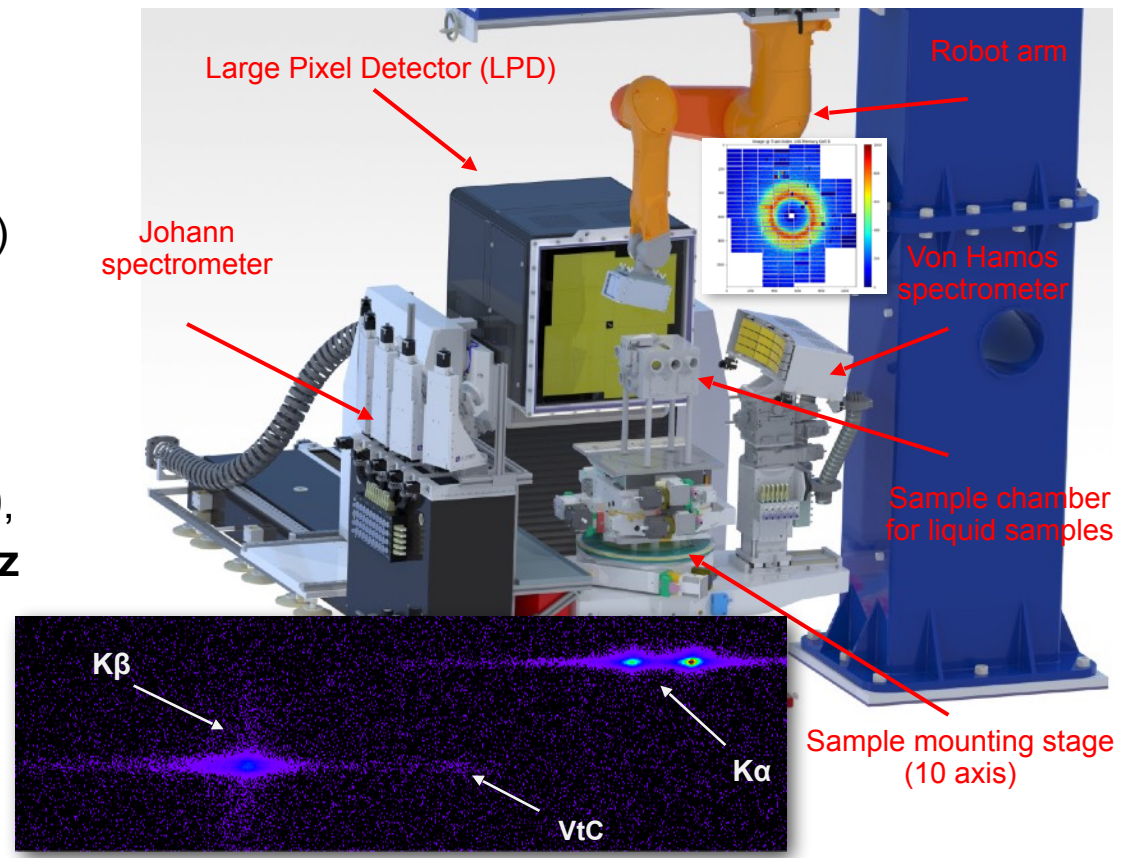
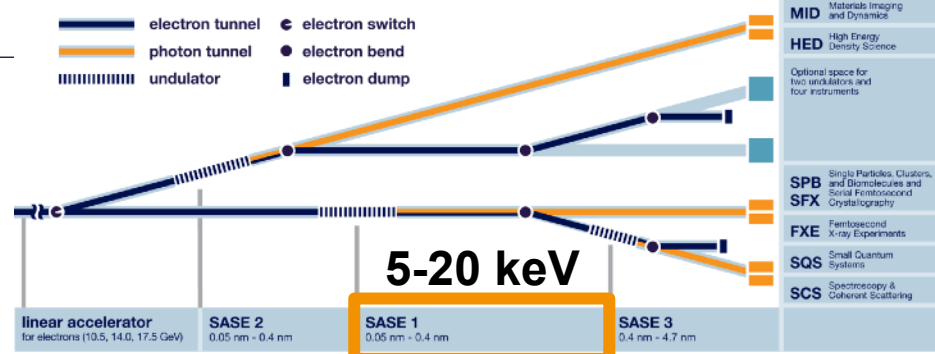
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# FXE: Femtosecond Hard X-ray Experiments

A Suite of **Simultaneous X-ray Tools** combined with flexible Laser Excitation Sources

- **Single-shot** dispersive resonant and non-resonant **XES**: von Hamos
- **Wide(Small)-angle X-ray Scattering**: Large Pixel Detector (LPD) and Jungfrau
- Huber sample motion, goniometer for **single-crystal X-ray diffraction** with Jungfrau detector motion using the robot arm
- Tuneable laser excitation covering 1030, 515 nm (1 ps), 800, 400, 266 nm (15 or 50 fs) and an **OPA** (50 fs, 240 nm to 3 um) with **THz** in development (LiNbO<sub>3</sub>, 0.2-0.3 THz)
- ★ **X-ray absorption spectroscopy** (5-20 keV): **scanning** (Si(111) 4-bounce mono) and **single-shot** (Spectrum analyzer)
- ★ **Scanning** resonant and non-resonant **XES** (RXES): Johann spectrometer



“Scientific instrument Femtosecond X-ray Experiments (FXE): instrumentation and baseline experimental capabilities” A. Galler, et al., *J. Synch. Rad.*, 26, 1432 (2019)  
 “Ultrafast X-ray Photochemistry at European XFEL: Capabilities of the Femtosecond X-ray Experiments (FXE) Instrument” D. Khakhulin, et al., *Appl. Sci.*, 10, 995 (2020)

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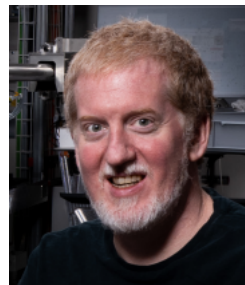


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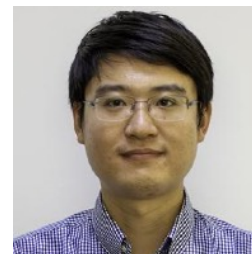
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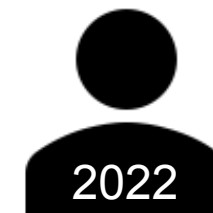
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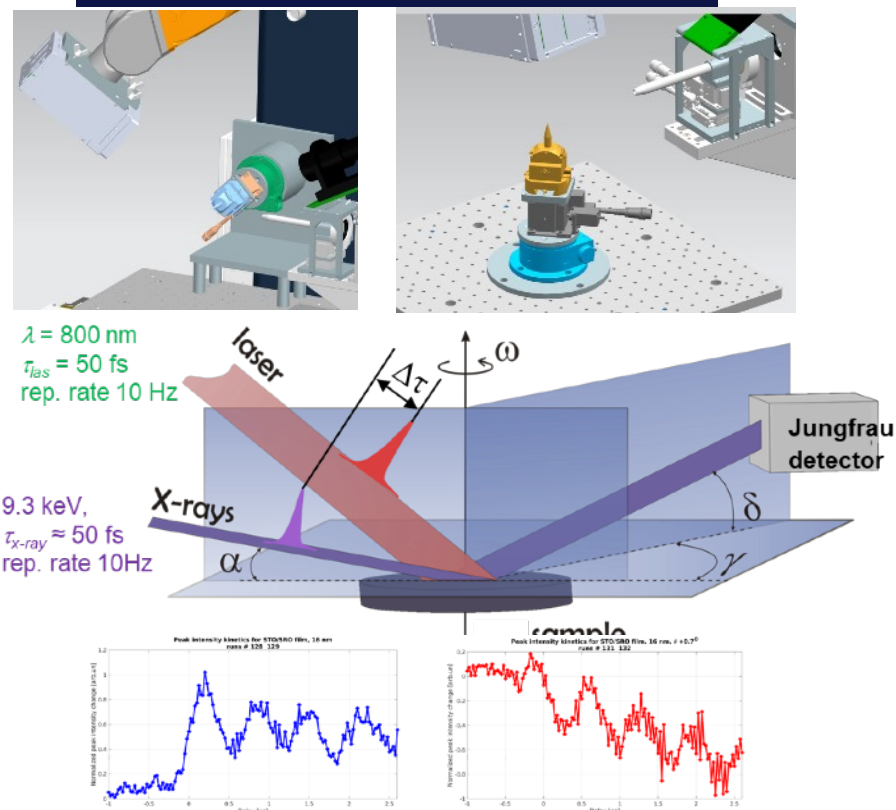
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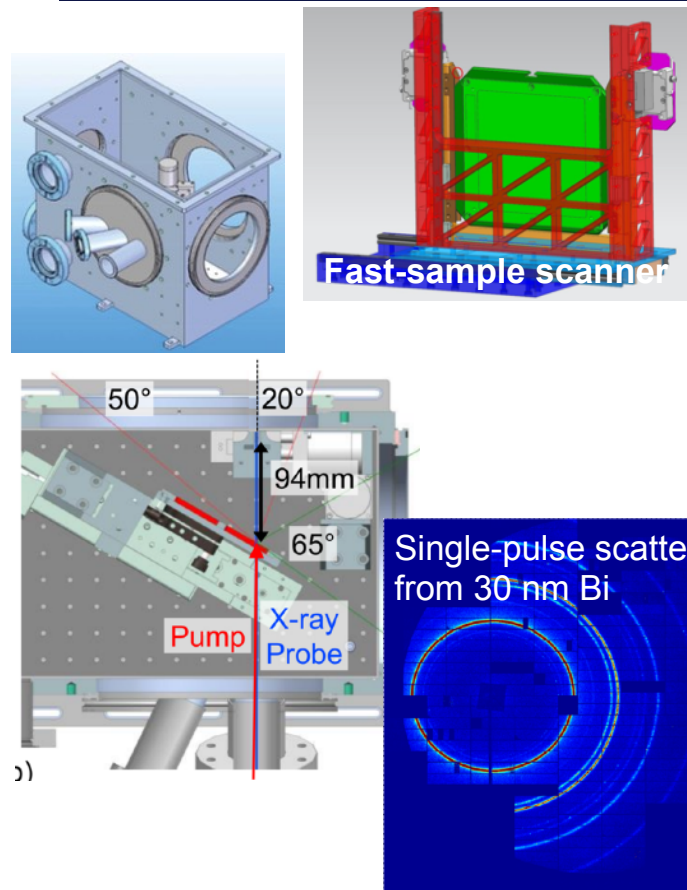
# Standard sample environment and geometries: Liquid & solid state experiments

## Fixed target 10-300 Hz diffraction experiment



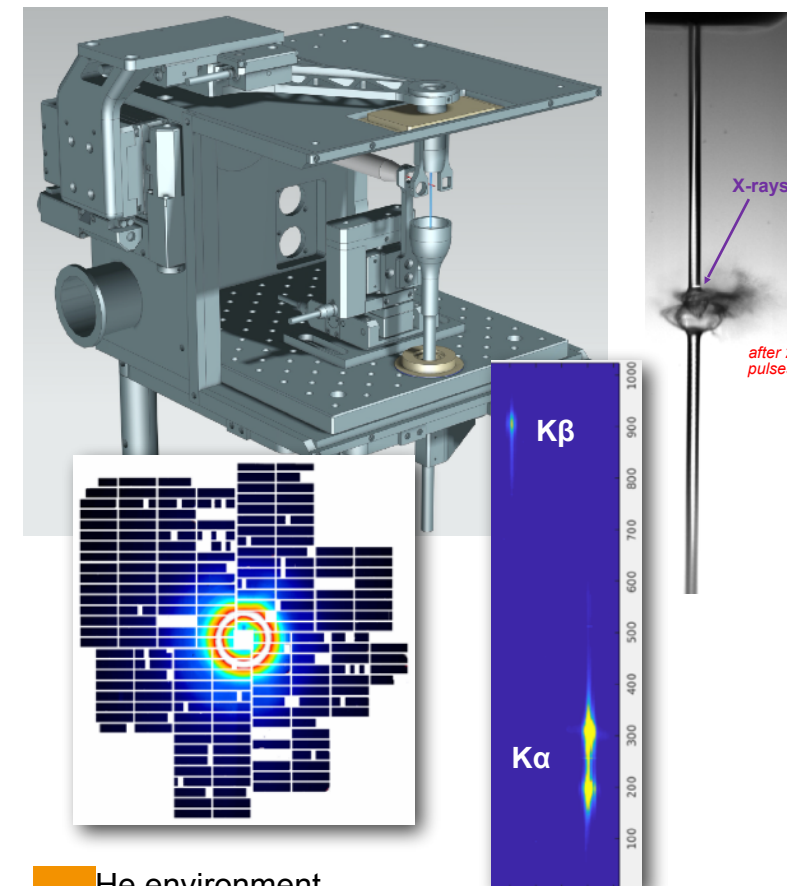
- Vertical and horizontal geometry
- Grazing and symmetric Bragg diffraction
- Flexible tracking of Bragg peak with detector on Robot arm
- Cooling and heating of samples supported
- Compatible with von Hamos XES for vertical sample geometry

## Destructive single-shot diffraction experiment (<10 Hz)



- Vacuum environment ( $1e-5 \text{ mbar}$ )
- X-ray probe in transmission geometry
- Parallel X-ray emission and scattering compatible
- Diffraction up to  $8.8 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$  at  $16.5 \text{ keV}$  and  $2\theta_{\text{max}} = 63^\circ$

## Liquid jet chemistry chamber (0.125-0.5 MHz)

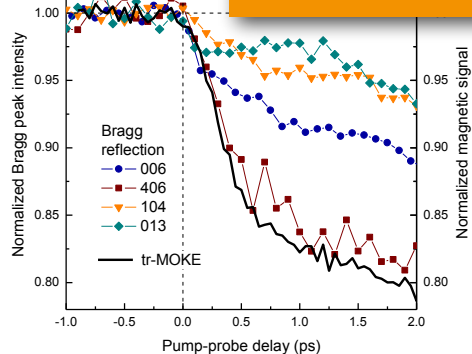


- He environment
- Open on 3 sides (XES, XAS, WAXS compatible)
- Parallel UV-Vis flow loop to monitor sample
- Jet diameter 25-200  $\mu\text{m}$
- XES Bragg angle range  $67-83^\circ$
- WAXS maximum Q up to  $10 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$

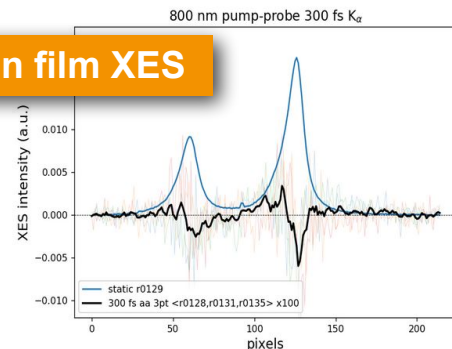
# Scientific Scope of FXE: Measuring ultrafast dynamics with hard X-rays

## Ultrafast solid-state dynamics

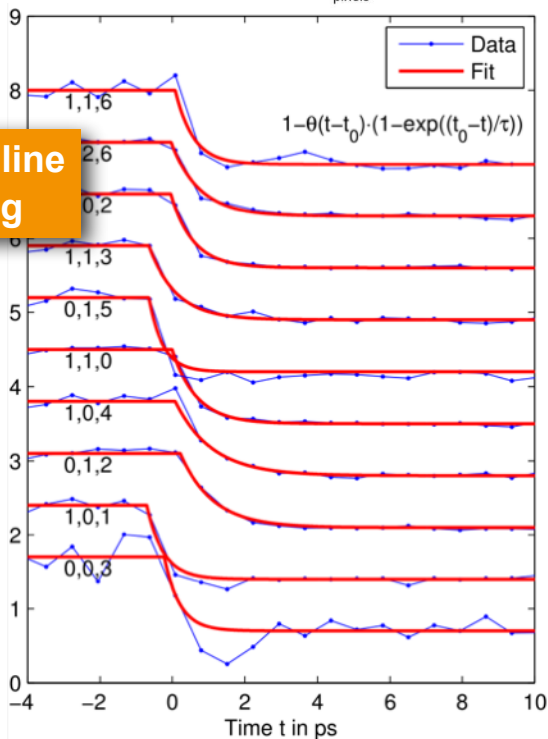
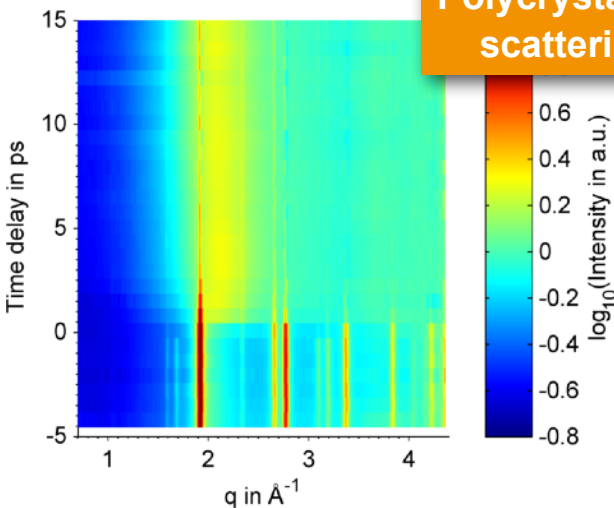
### Single-crystal XRD



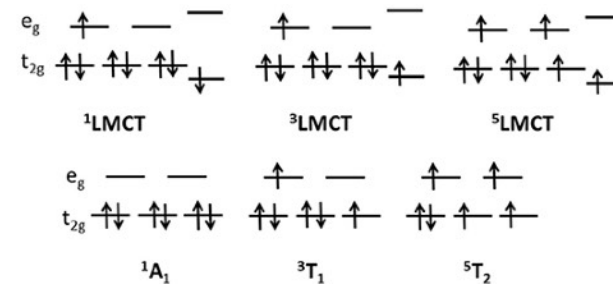
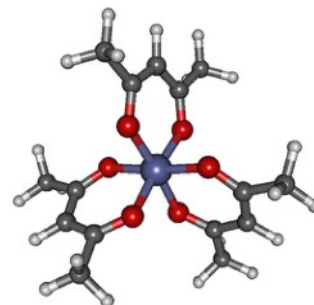
### Thin film XES



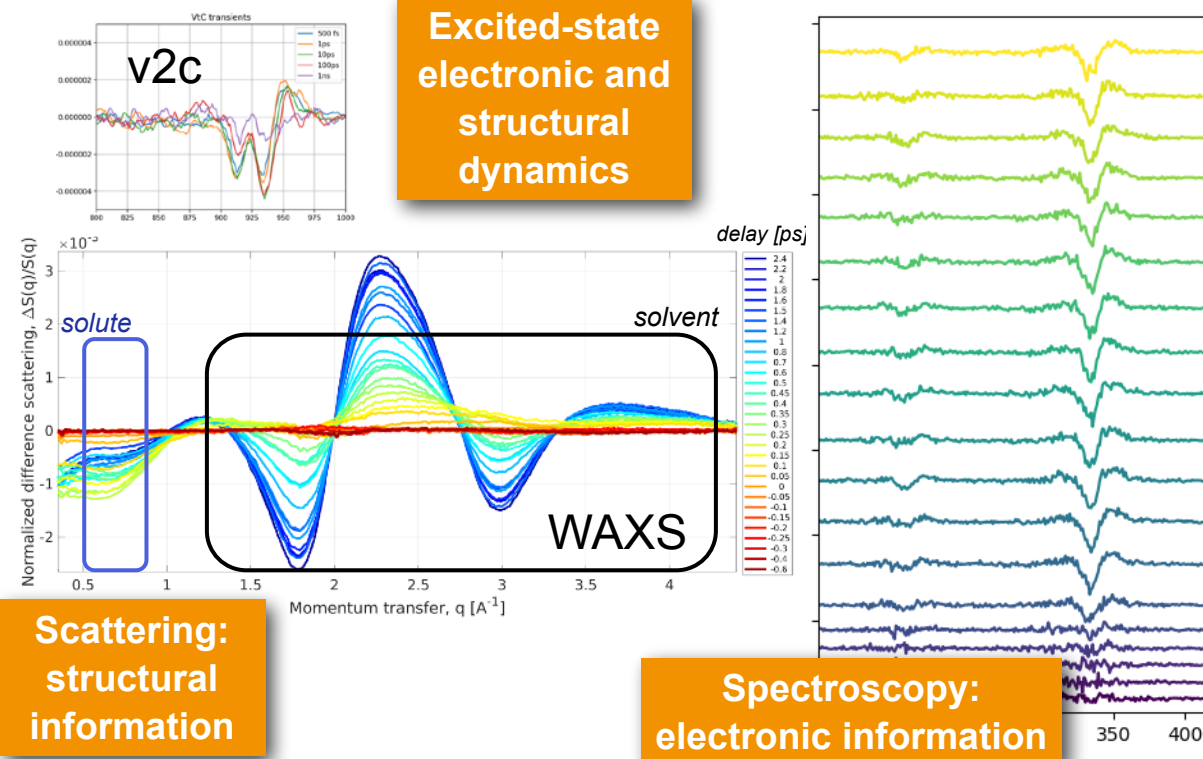
### Polycrystalline scattering



## Ultrafast (bio)chemical dynamics



### Excited-state electronic and structural dynamics

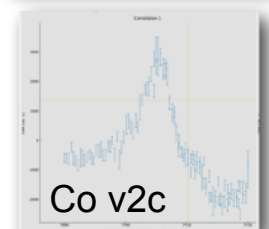
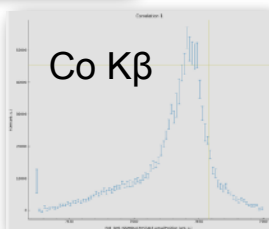
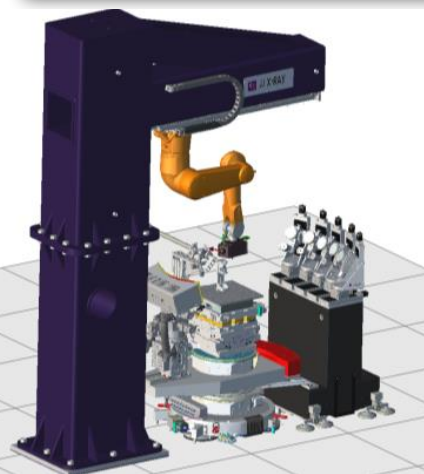


### Scattering: structural information

### Spectroscopy: electronic information

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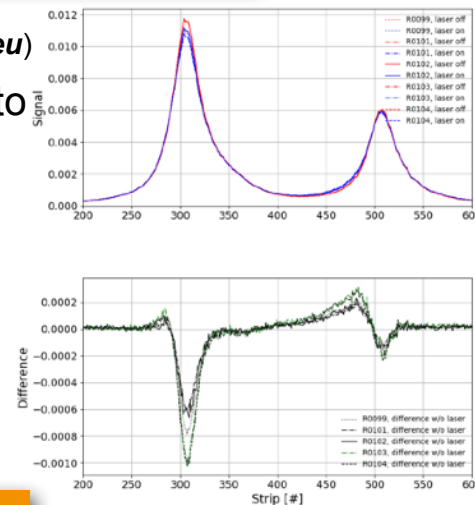
## Johann XES spectrometer



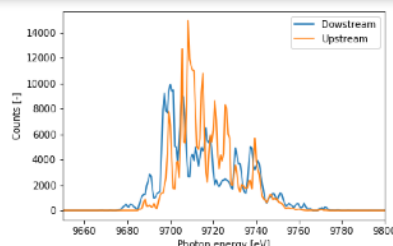
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Gotthard II integrated into robot support and used for pulse-resolved XES with the von Hamos

Detector calibration ongoing



## Single-shot spectrometers

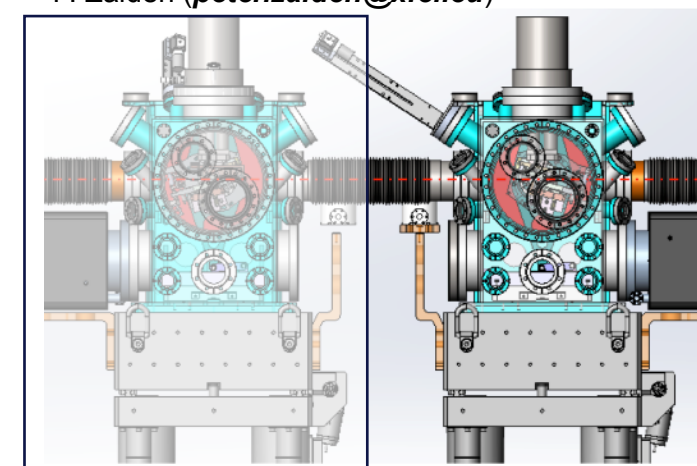


Better understood and can be used for experiments

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## 2-bounce monochromator

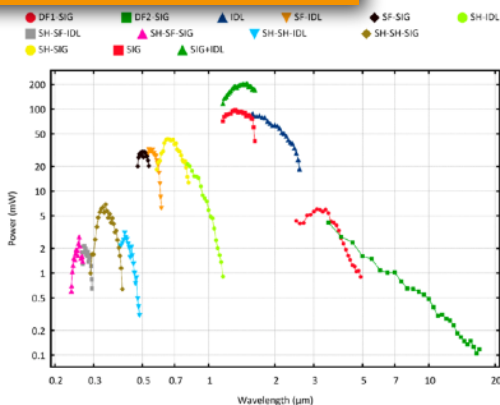
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Si(111) monochromator in a **two-bounce mode** can be scanned and operated reliably

Stable delivery of **30 pulses per train** in range **6-15 keV** is possible

## Optical excitation

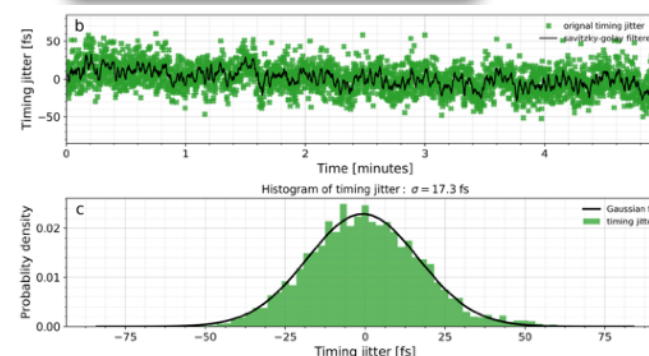


OPA used in the visible and near IR for experiments (400-600 nm)

**282 kHz operation** planned for summer maintenance period

Proposals using **240 nm to 2000 nm** are feasible

## Pulse-arrival monitor



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Timing jitter = 41.1 fs FWHM

Tested at 9.3 keV and 12.3 keV, 5-50 pulses @ 282 kHz

PP laser

50 fs, 10-100 pulses @564 kHz

interleaved signal and reference

detectable signal for nearly all pulses in trains (95%)

1.5 ps time window

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