



Overview of THz diagnostics at PITZ

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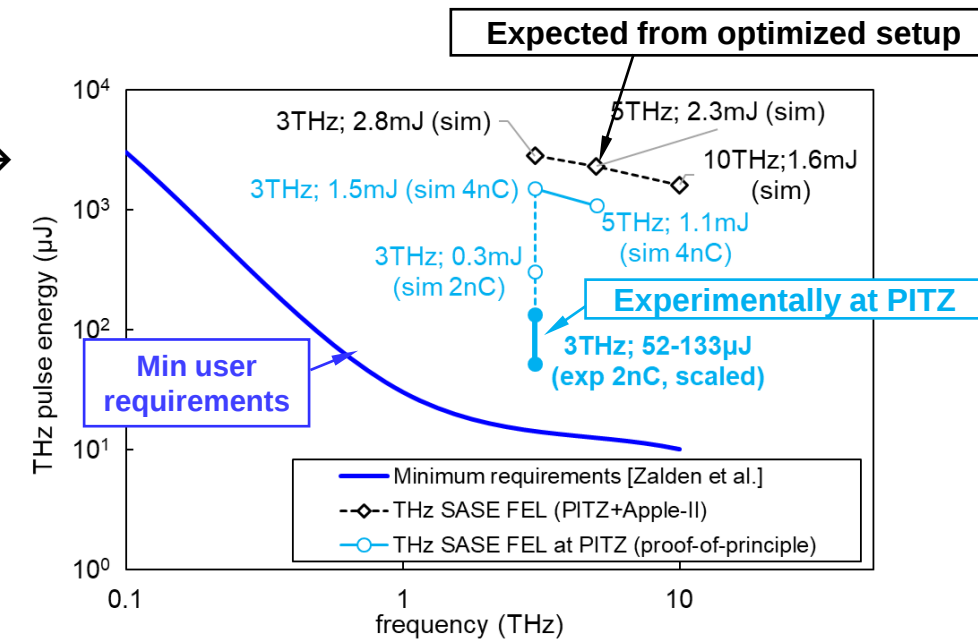
Motivation for THz R&D at PITZ

Accelerator based THz source for pump-probe experiments at the European XFEL



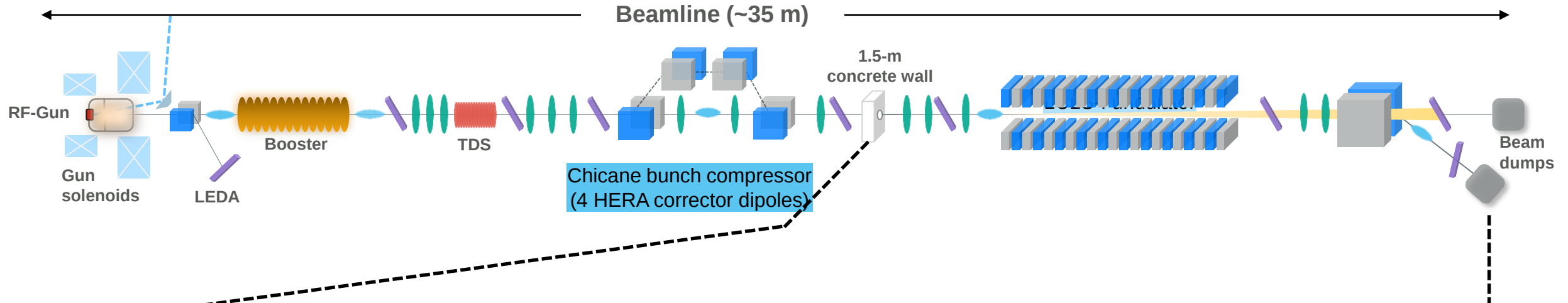
THz source requirements

- **Tunable** $\rightarrow f = 0.1 \dots 20 \text{ THz}$ ($\lambda_{rad} = 3\text{mm} \dots 15\mu\text{m}$)
- Various temporal and *spectral* patterns, polarization - ideally **narrow-band** $\rightarrow \Delta W/W \sim 0.1 \dots 0.01$
- Time jitter $\rightarrow$ from **CEP stable** (few fs) for field driven to "intensity" driven dynamics
- **High pulse energy** $W > 10\mu\text{J}$ (μJ - hundreds of μJ - mJ), depending on f)
- **Repetition rate** to follow European XFEL $\rightarrow (600\mu\text{s} \dots 900\mu\text{s}) \times (0.1 \dots 4.5\text{MHz}) \times 10\text{Hz} = 27000 \dots 40500 \text{ pulses/s}$



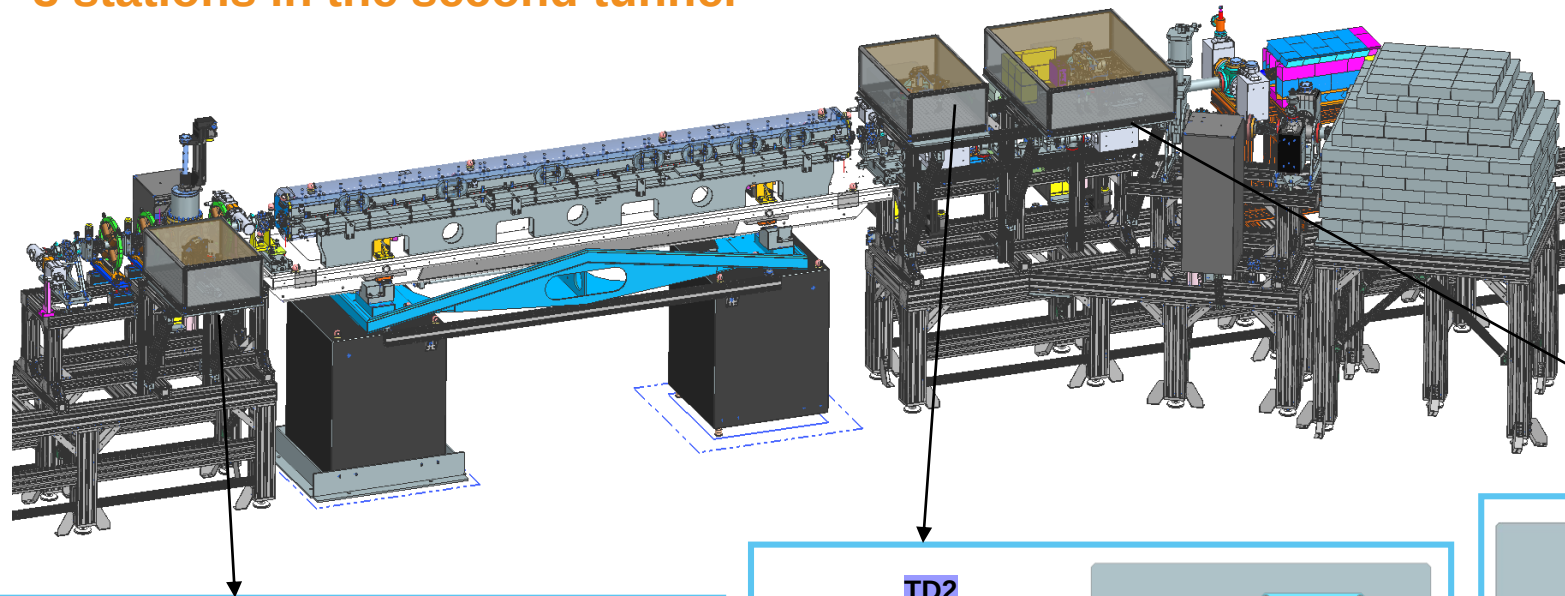
PITZ beamline schematics

Setup for the proof-of-principle experiment on THz source



THz Diagnostics at PITZ

3 stations in the second tunnel



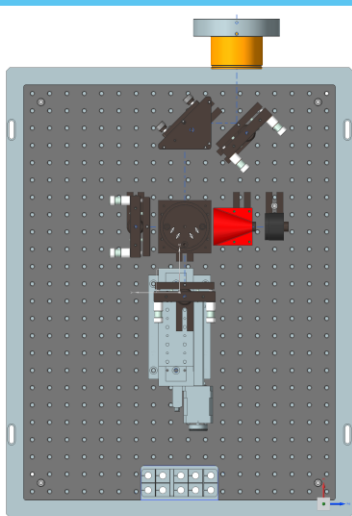
Enclosed system



Pure air circulator unit (Thorlabs) for air purification and humidity reduction.

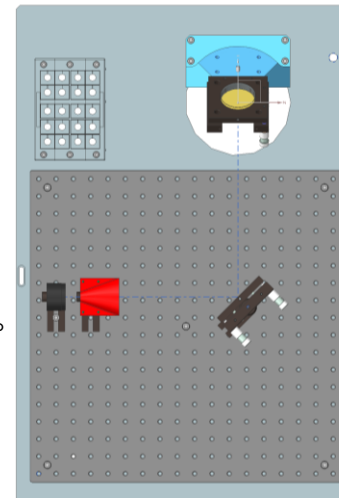
TD1:

- Pulse energy using pyroelectric detector
- THz spectrum (CTR) using a Michelson interferometer
- Quartz vacuum window
- ~0.2 m transport in vacuum, ~0.5 m transport in air
- Focusing by using 90° off-axis ellipsoidal and parabolic mirrors
- 1 motorized linear stage



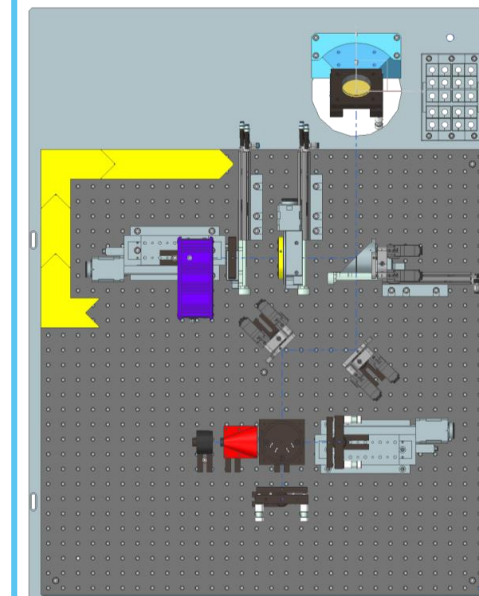
TD2

- Pulse energy using pyroelectric detector
- Diamond vacuum window
- ~0.8 m transport in vacuum, ~0.5 m transport in air
- Focusing by using 90° off-axis ellipsoidal mirror



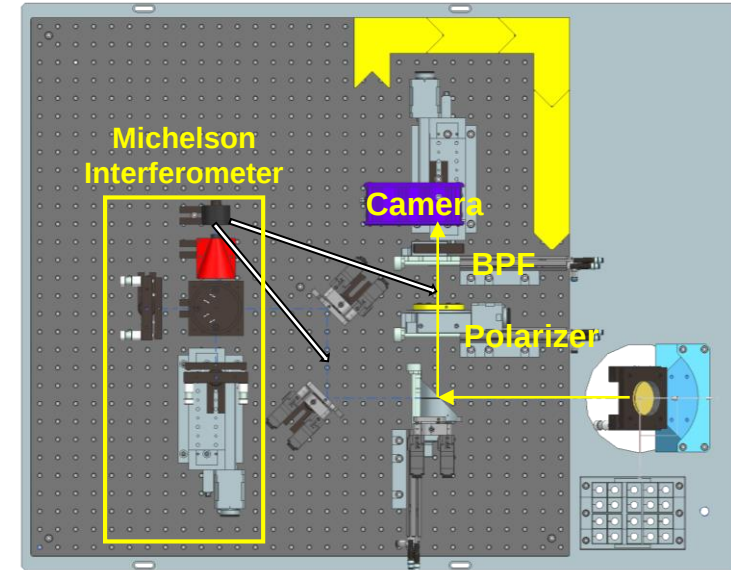
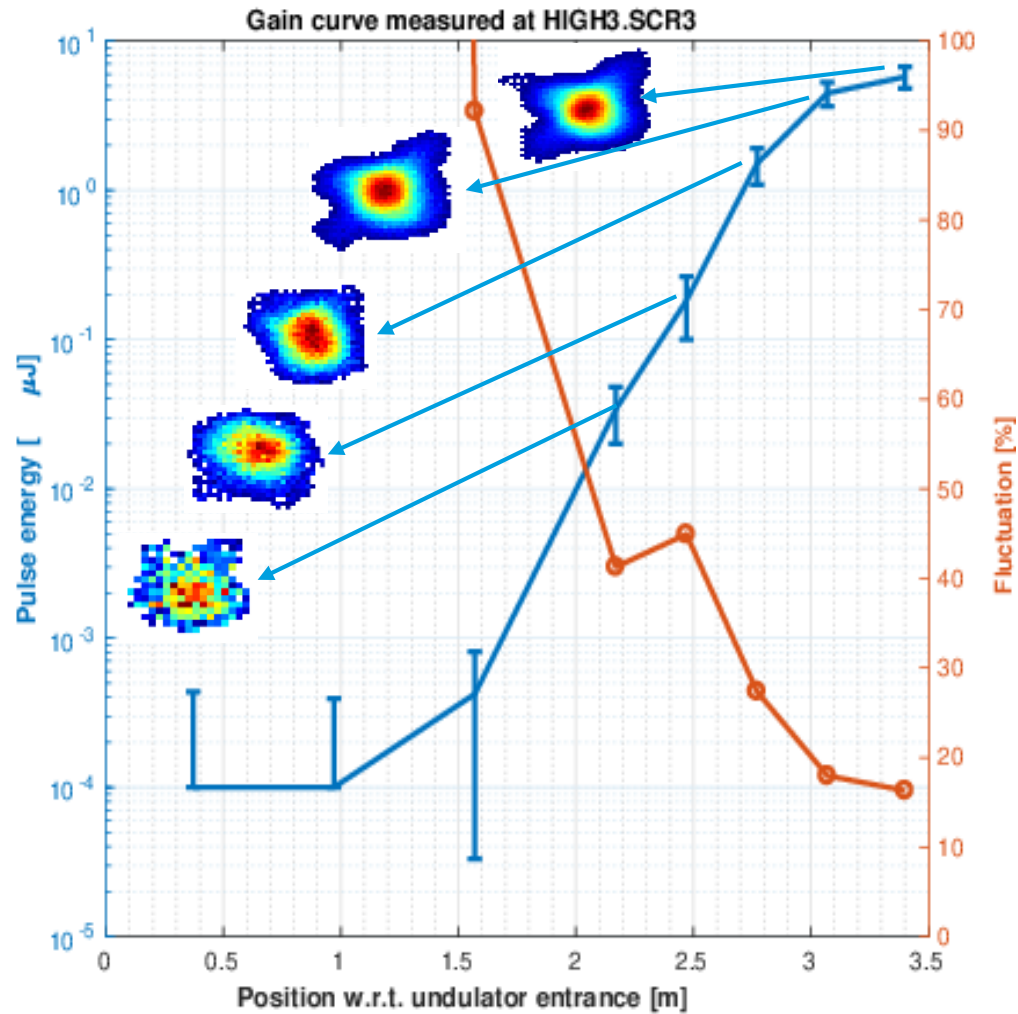
TD3:

- Pulse energy using pyroelectric detectors
- Transverse profile using a THz camera
- Polarization using a THz polarizer
- THz spectrum using a Michelson interferometer
- Diamond vacuum window
- ~1.8 m transport in vacuum, 1-1.5 m transport in air
- Focusing by using 90° off-axis ellipsoidal and parabolic mirrors
- 3 pneumatic actuators, 3 motorized mirror adjusters, 2 motorized linear stages

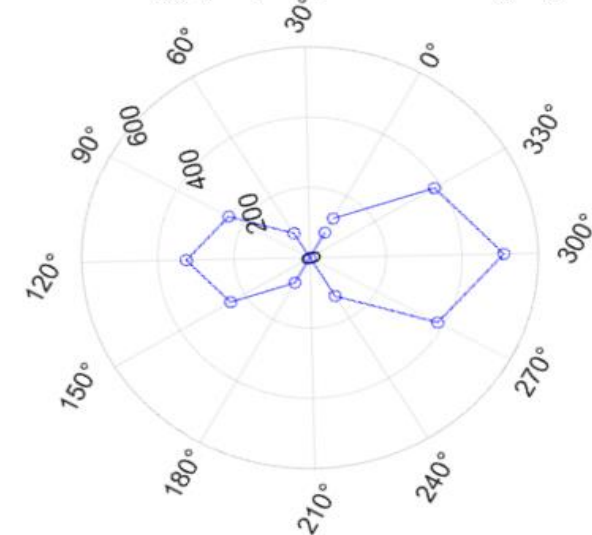


THz diagnostic station 3

THz images along gain curve, polarizer



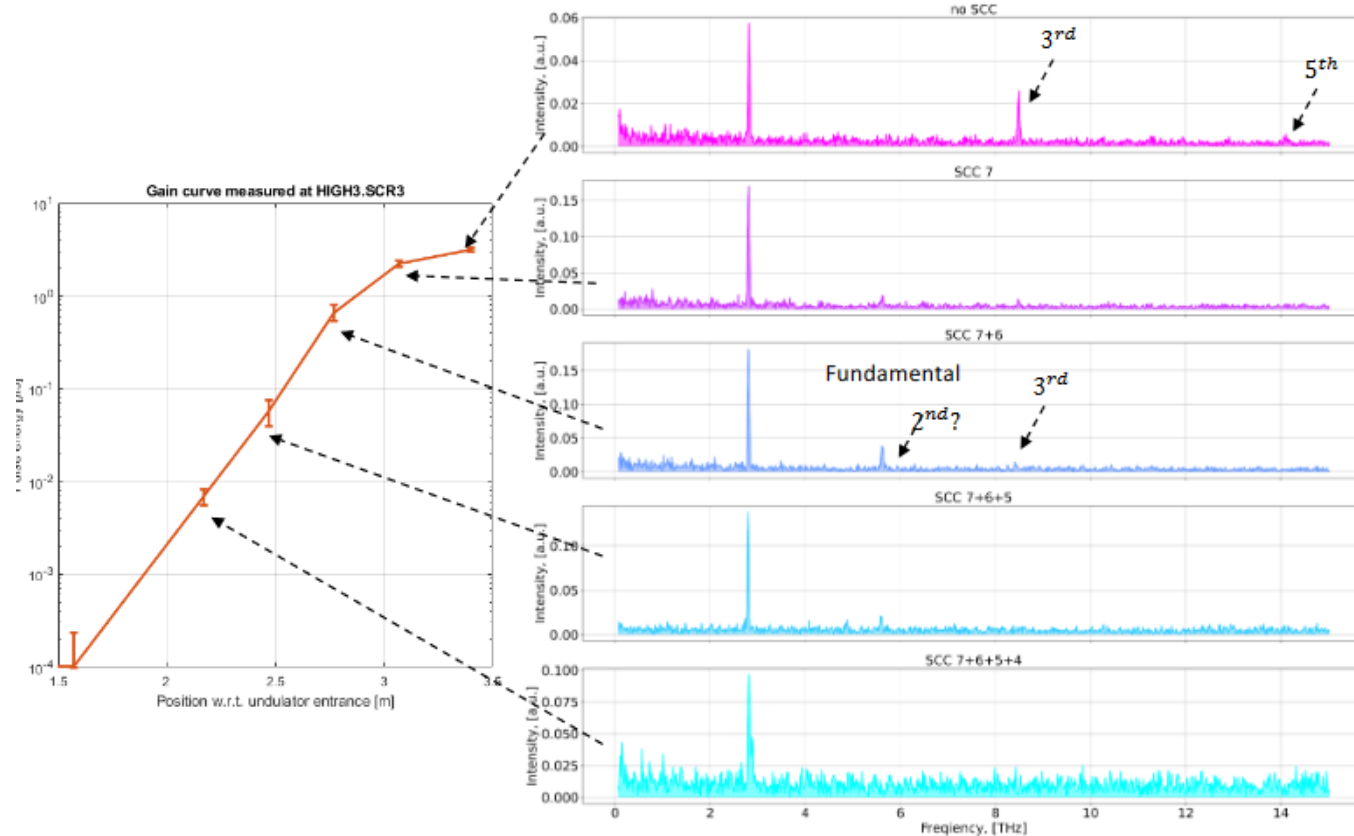
Pulse energy (nJ) vs polarizer angle (deg)



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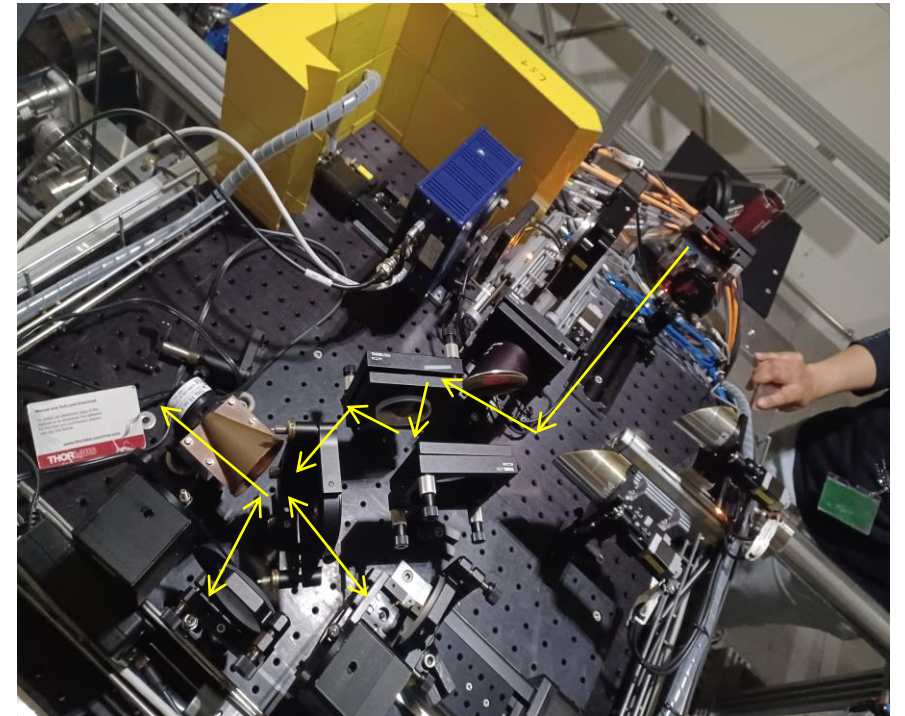
FTIR spectrometer from FLASH (E. Zapolnova, THz beamline at FLASH)

- TD3 with a compact broadband THz spectrometer based on the reflective lamellar grating
- Central wavelength ~ 2.82 THz ($\lambda_{rad} \approx 106.5 \mu\text{m}$)



In-house commissioned Michelson Interferometer

- Michelson interferometer consisting of a fixed and movable arm, a beam splitter and pyrodetector with a collector cone used to measure interferogram.



More information in poster

THANK YOU.

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