



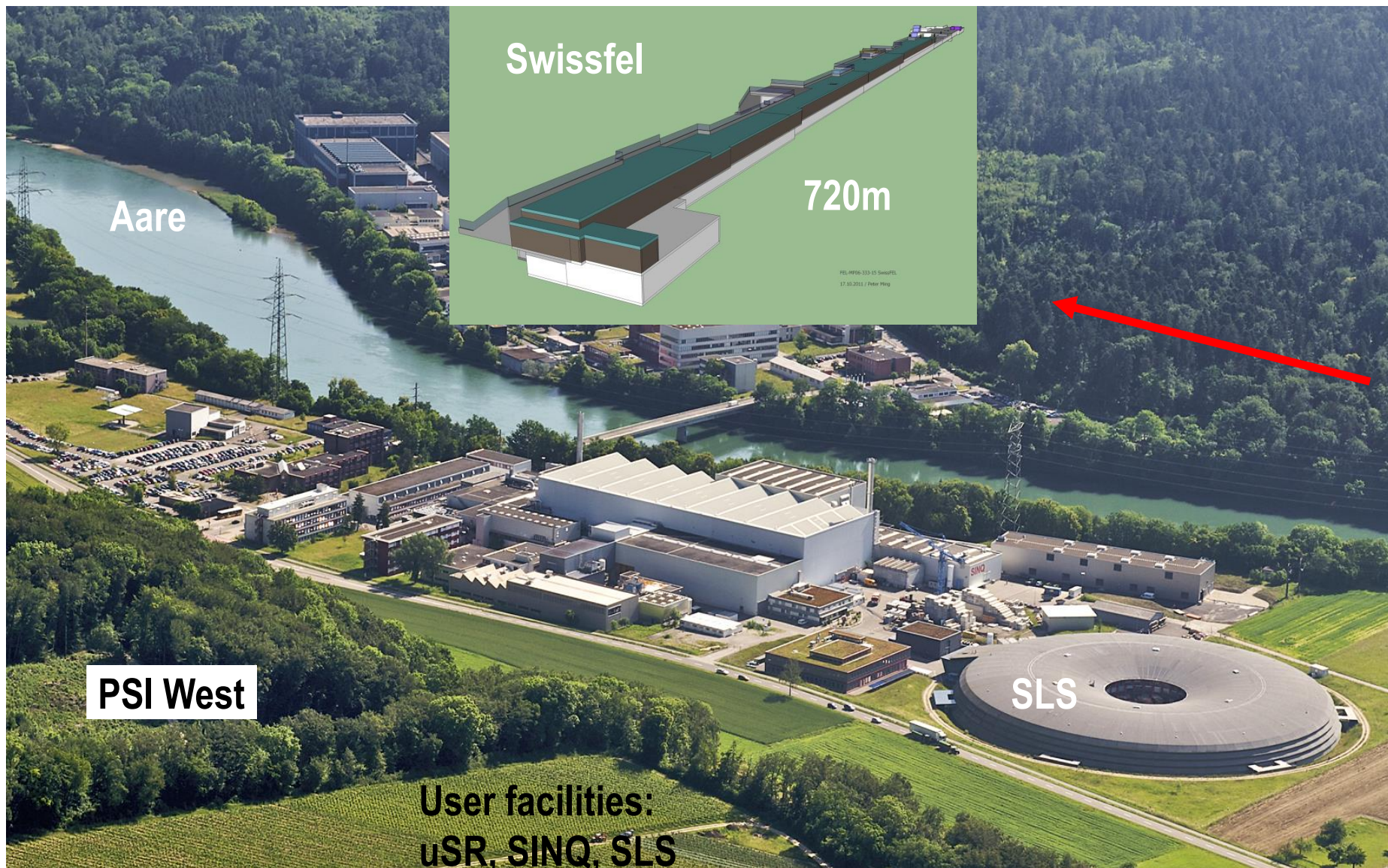
**Wir schaffen Wissen – heute für morgen**

**Paul Scherrer Institut**

**Bernd Schmitt**

**Potential of strip and pixel applications at synchrotron light sources**





*~1500 Staff employees; 30Km from Zurich, task in ETH domain: run large scale user facilities*

## Detector principles:

- hybrid detectors
- single photon counting
- charge integrating

## Detectors and Applications at Synchrotrons:

- powder diffraction: the Mythen detector
- protein crystallography: the Pilatus Detector

## Overview of current Detector Developments

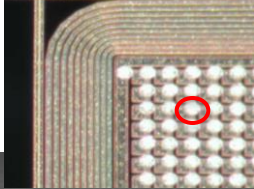
## Developments at PSI: Jungfrau, Mönch and Eiger

## New possibilities with charge integrating systems

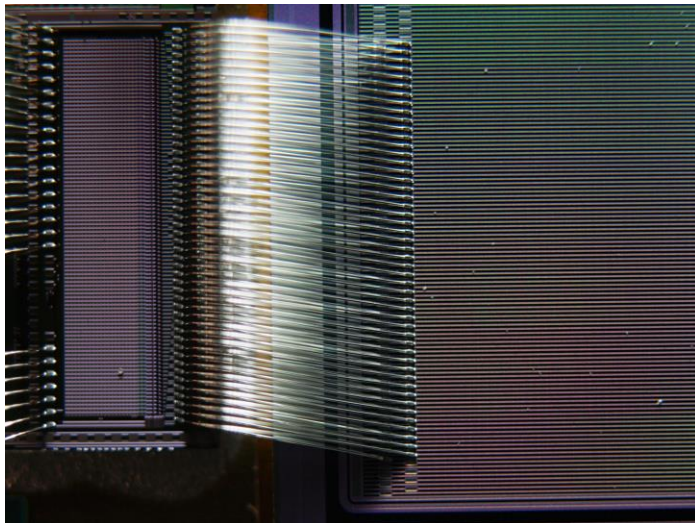
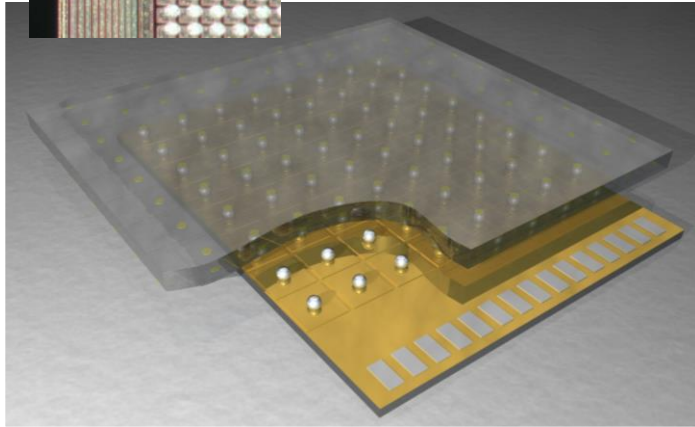


# Hybrid Silicon Detectors

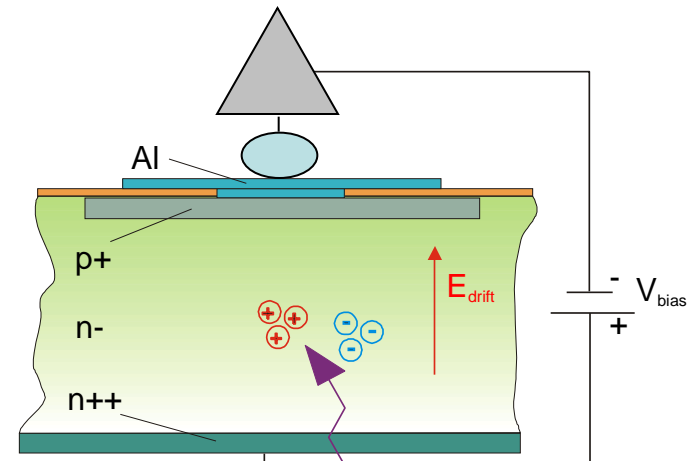
2D array of pixels



Silicon sensor



Readout chip

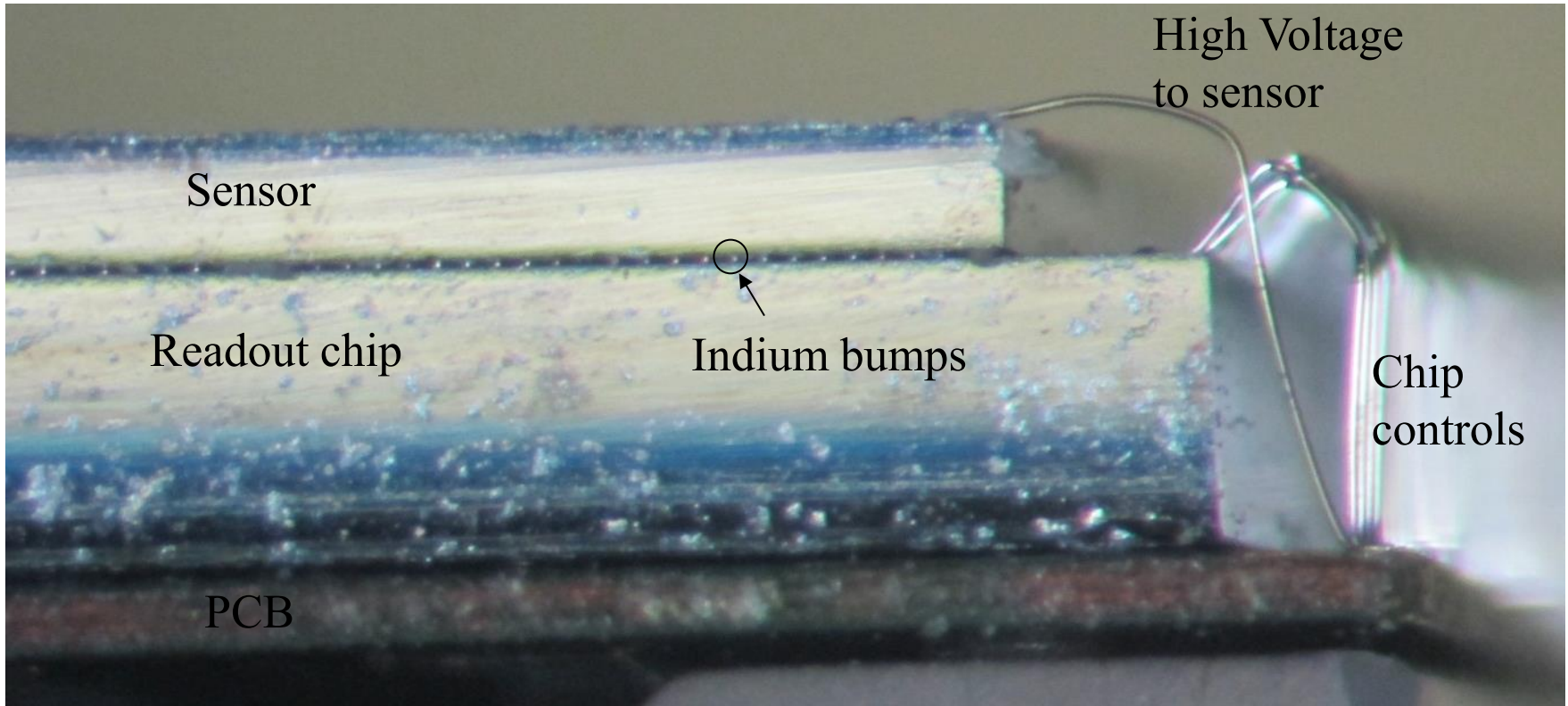


X-ray

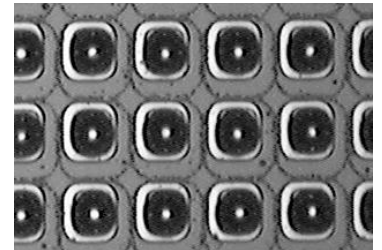
3.6eV per eh pair in Si

Charge for 12keV=3300 electrons = 0.5 fC

# Bump bonded pixel sensor



- Bump bonding requires additional processing of the chip and sensor surface to deposit an under-bump-metallization and the indium



## SENSOR

Absorbs the radiation and converts it into electric charge

## READOUT

Translates the electronic signal into information for the user

1D: strip

2D: pixel



Detector properties

→ Absorption efficiency

→ Spatial resolution

→ Dynamic range

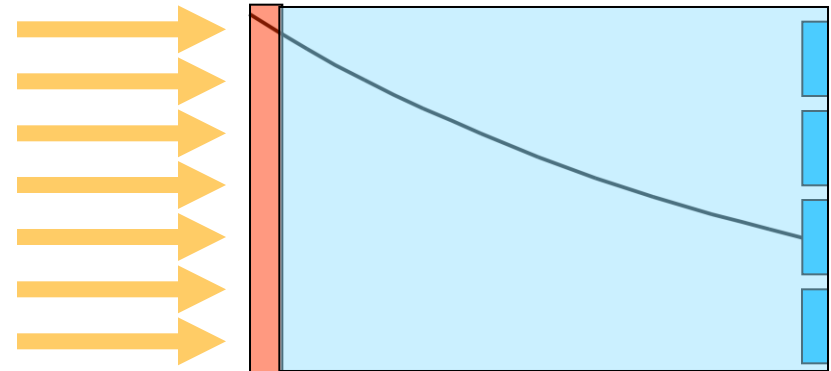
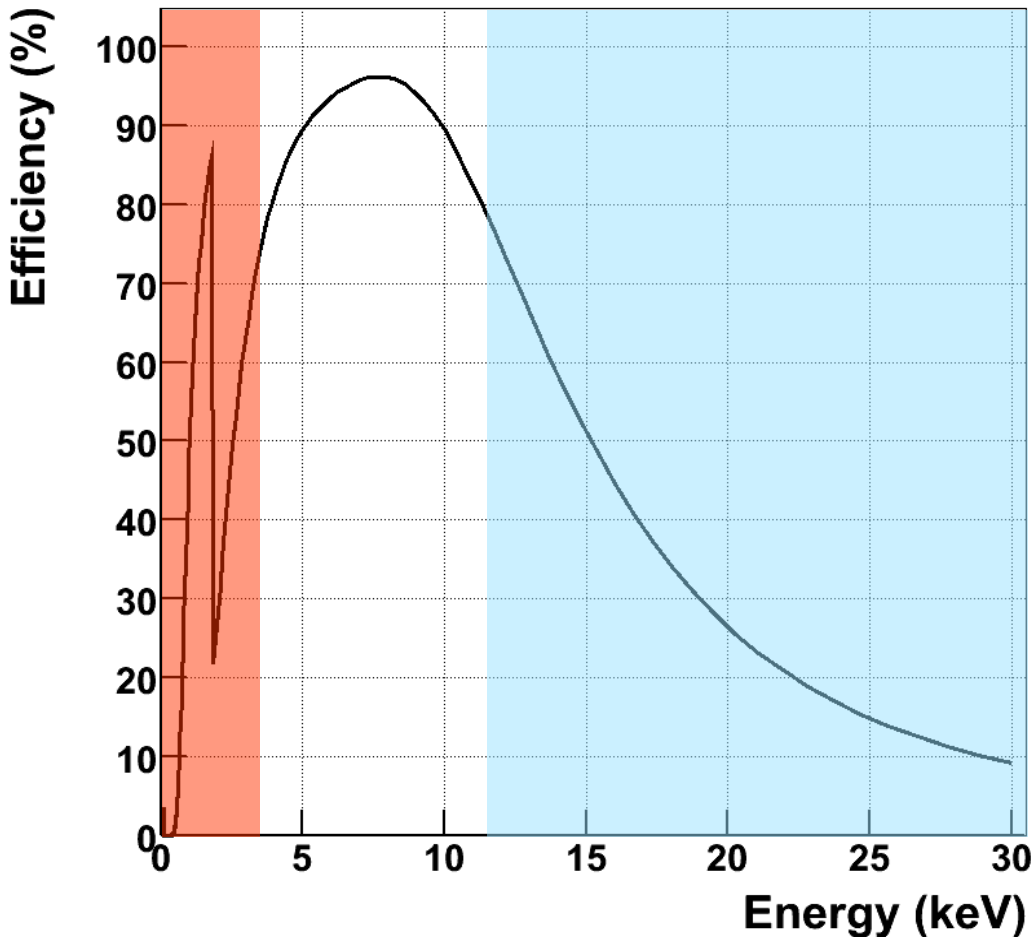
→ Energy resolution

→ Time resolution  
frame rate

# Efficiency for X-rays

Energy range: 250eV-150keV

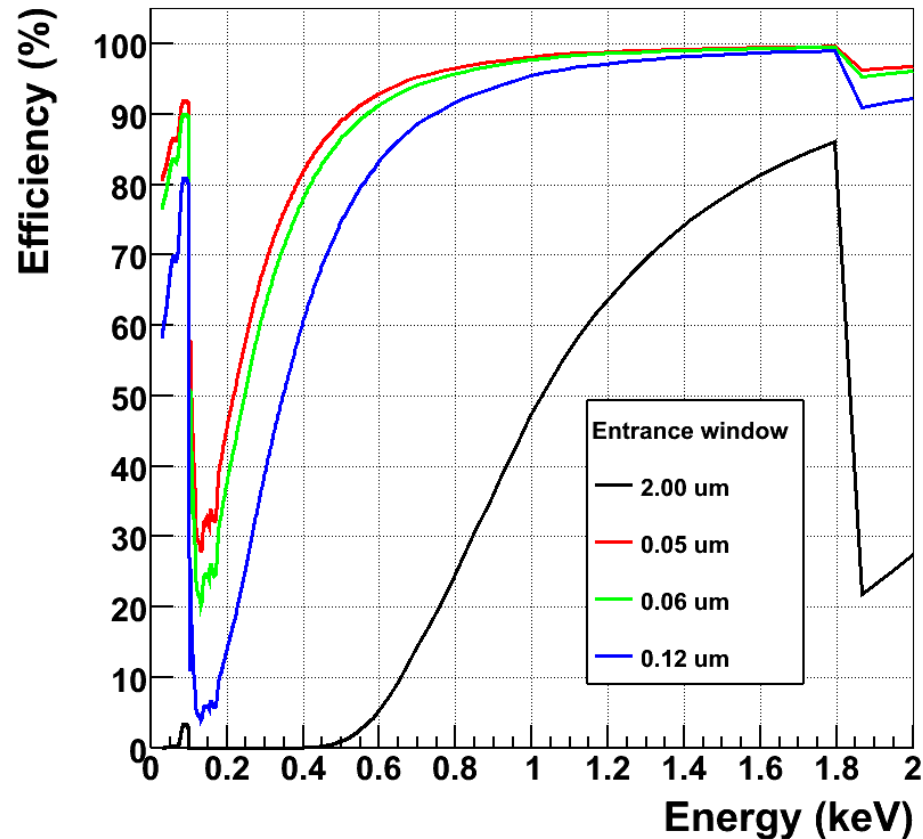
Standard silicon sensors:  
300um thick, 2um backplane



→ Soft X-rays: transmission of the entrance window

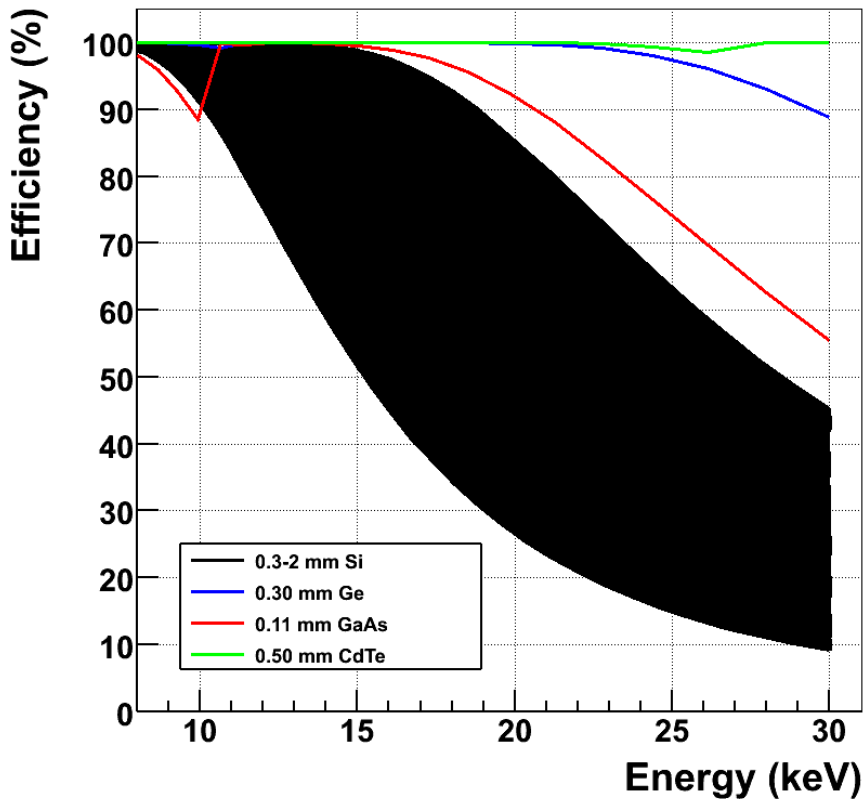
→ Hard X-rays: absorption in the depleted region

# Thin entrance window



- Silicon sensors with a backplane thinner than 0.1  $\mu\text{m}$  are available
- Acceptable efficiency can be obtained down to 0.3-0.5 keV
- The noise of the readout electronics can limit the detection of single photons





- Silicon
  - ✓ Very mature technology
  - ✗ Relatively low Z
- Germanium
  - ✓ Good spectroscopic properties
  - ✗ Cooling and fabrication issues
- Gallium Arsenide
  - ✓ Good charge collection properties
  - ✗ Poor crystal quality
  - ✗ Fluorescence around 10 keV
- Cadmium Telluride
  - ✓ High absorption efficiency up to 100keV
  - Crystal quality is improving but it is available only in small wafers
  - ✗ Poor charge collection properties
  - ✗ Fluorescence at 23 and 27 keV
  - ✗ Interconnection issues

# From single photon counting detectors at PSI...

## MYTHEN

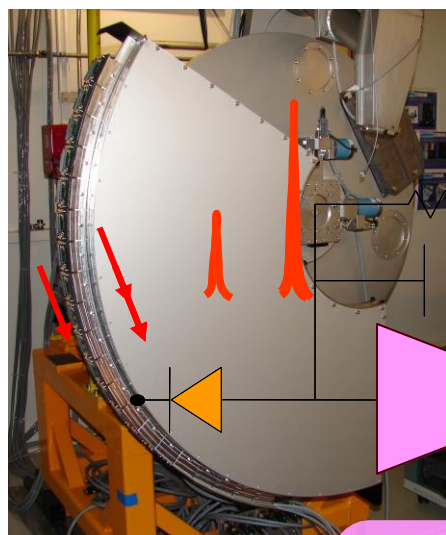
1k to 30k 50µm strips for powder diffraction, small angle scattering, medical imaging...

## PILATUS

100k to 6M 172µm pixels for protein crystallography, small angle scattering, imaging ...

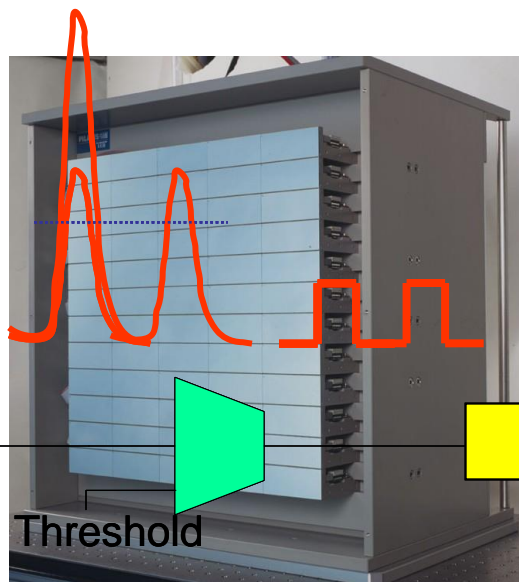
## EIGER

500k to 9M 75µm pixels, for small angle scattering, CDI, XPCS, protein crystallography, imaging ....



Sensor

Amplifier  
and  
shaper

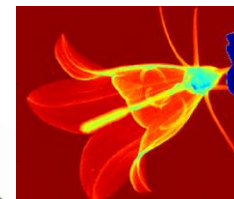


Comparator

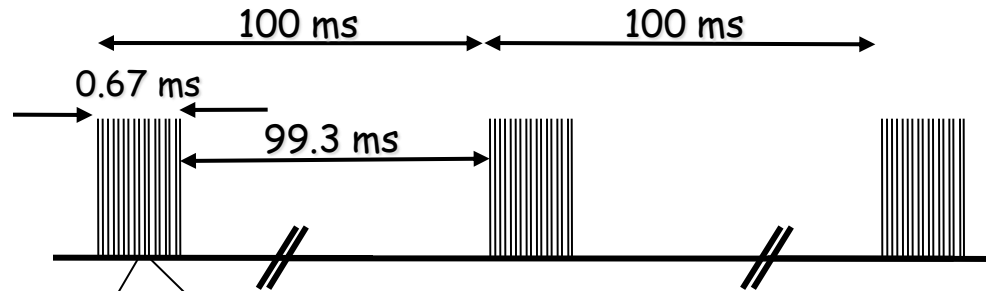
Counter

Digital  
output

+1 +1



# ... to charge integrating detectors for the E-XFEL



**Dynamic range: 10000**

• readout detector usually 20 nsV

• noise usually ~mV

→ not possible!

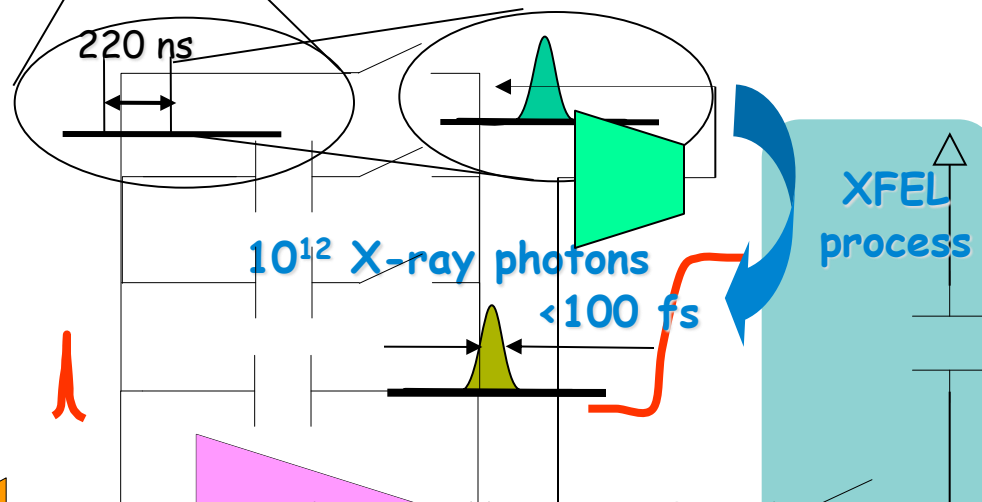
→ 1 photon ~10mV

**Solution:** 10000 dynamic range

→ store data in pixel

**Solution:**

→ dynamic gain switching



2 main challenges for detector development:

• dynamic range  $10^4$  12keV photons per pixel

Amplifier with Gain switching  
• reset and sample and hold

Analog output

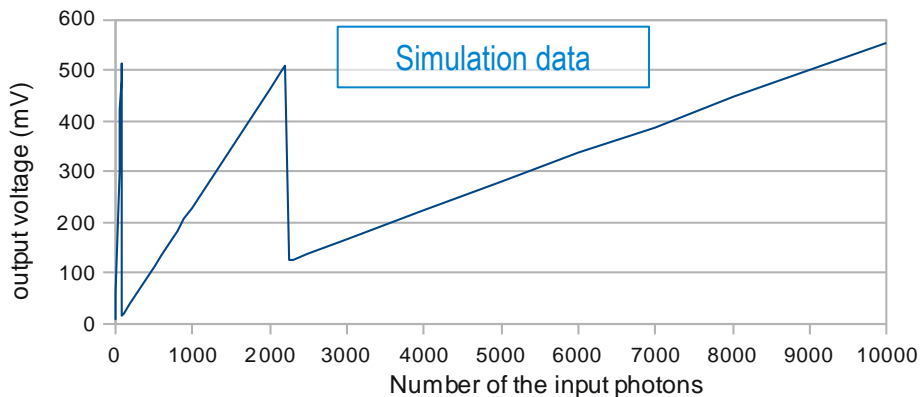
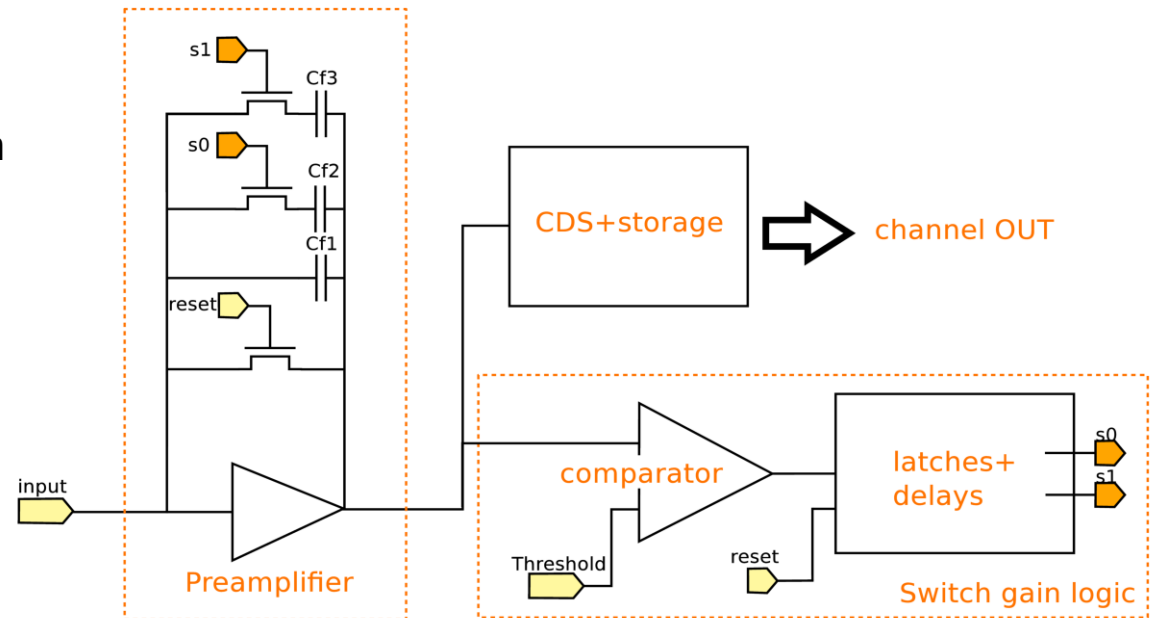
External ADC

Sensor



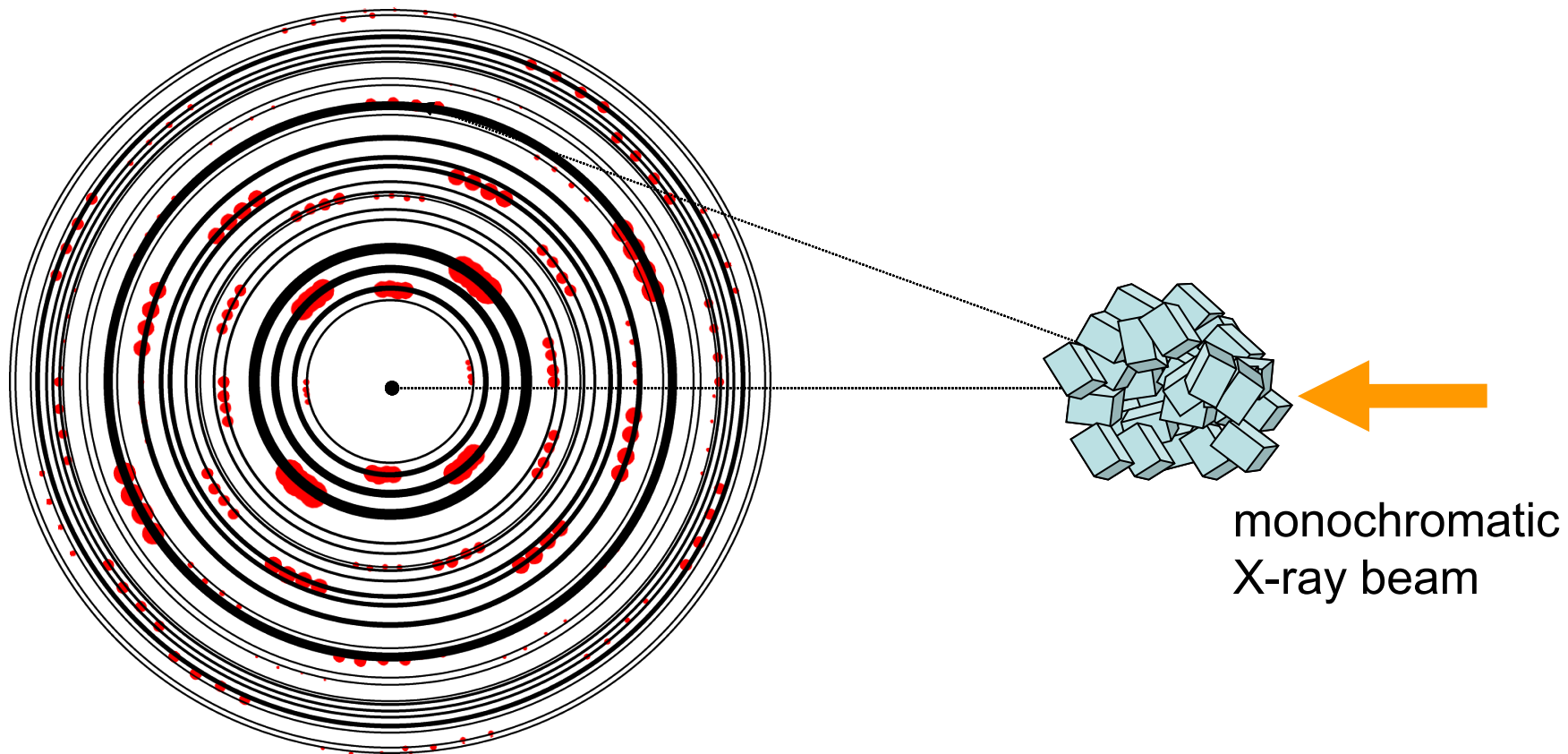
# Preamplifier with gain switching

- Common for 1D and 2D
- CSA in charge integrating configuration
- 3 feedback capacitors



- Logic after comparator to:
  - Switch a 2<sup>nd</sup> time if 1<sup>st</sup> switch not enough
  - Avoid a 2<sup>nd</sup> switch on spikes due to the 1<sup>st</sup> one
- Switching has to be FAST (<10ns)

## Powder Diffraction: the Mythen Detector

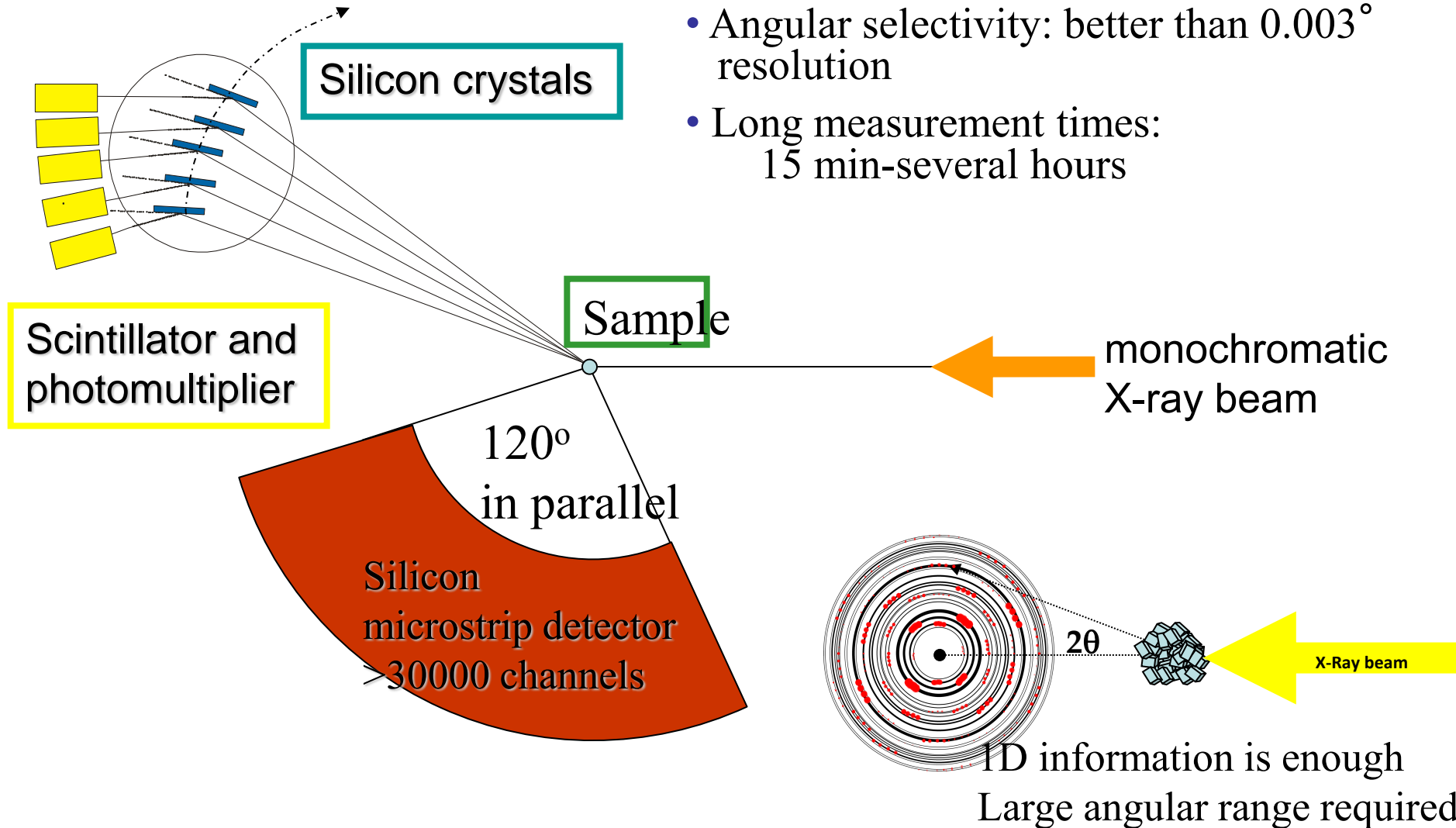




# Powder diffraction: principle

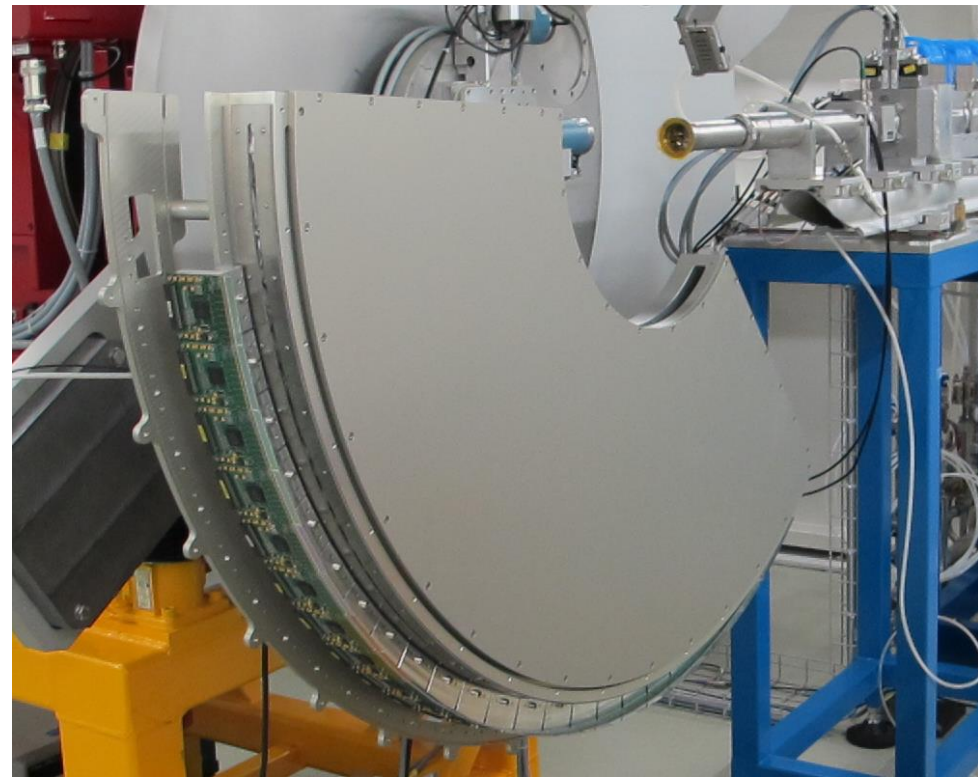
## Crystal analyzer detector

- few channels (max 45)
- Angular selectivity: better than  $0.003^\circ$  resolution
- Long measurement times:  
15 min-several hours

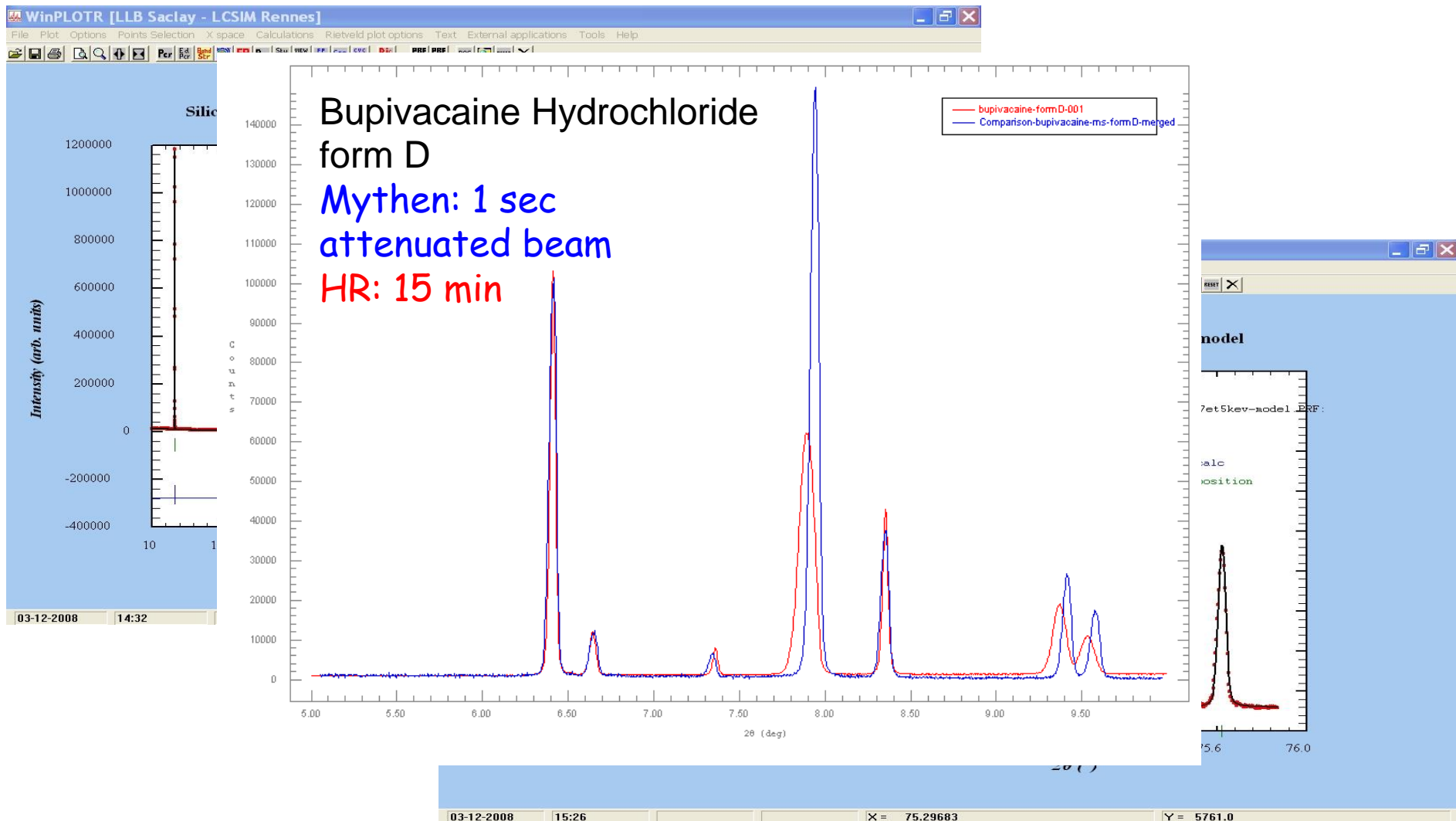


## Microstrip sYstem for Time rEsolved experimeNts

- Single photon counting microstrip
  - Covers 120 degrees with  $0.004^\circ$  angular resolution
  - > 40k independent channels
  - 50  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch, 8 mm long
- Second detector layer to detect the transmitted photons
  - Efficiency almost doubled
  - above 12 keV
- Frame rate up to 20 Hz - 1 kHz
  - Depending on dynamic
  - and angular range
- Users operation since 2007
  - In-situ measurements
  - Pump-probe experiments
  - Monitoring of radiation damage



# Standard powder samples



The data quality allows structural solution and refinement!  
Measurement several orders of magnitudes faster!



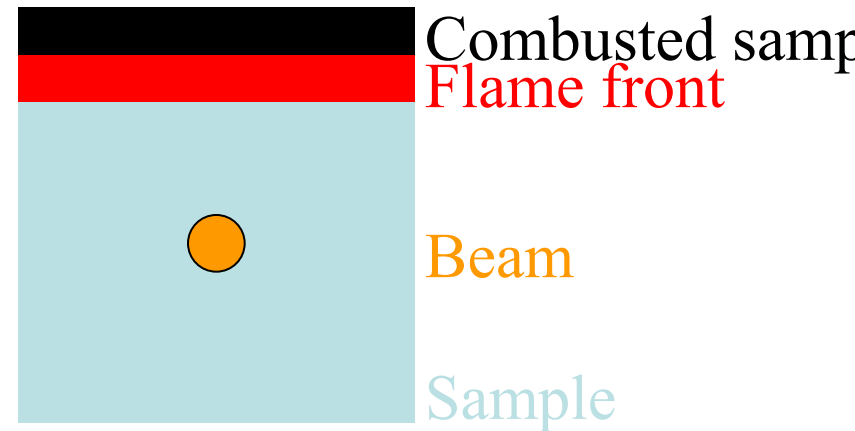
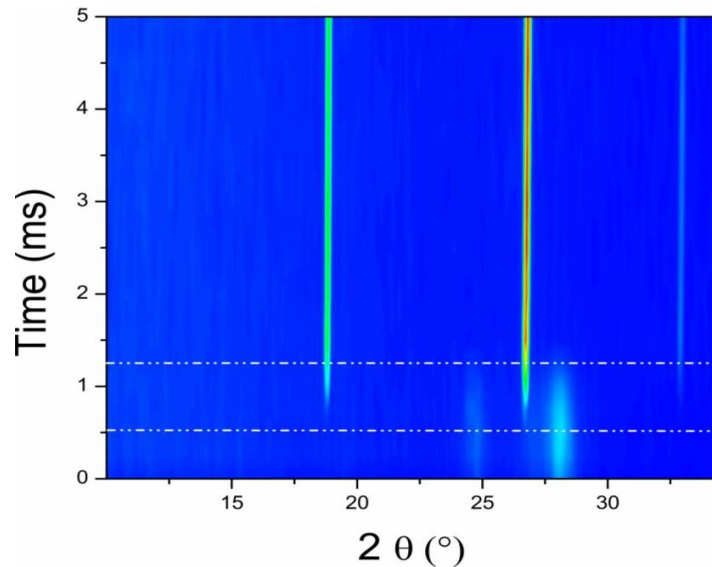
# In situ self propagating exothermic reactions

Sputtered NiAl multilayer foils

Beam size  $500 \times 500 \mu\text{m}^2$  defines the time resolution

Synchronization of equipment via digital signals

- Ignition using a spark while triggering the detector
- High-speed Recording Camera
- In-situ XRPD using MYTHEN
  - 125us acquisition/125us readout time
  - 8bits dynamic range
  - 16 consecutive frames



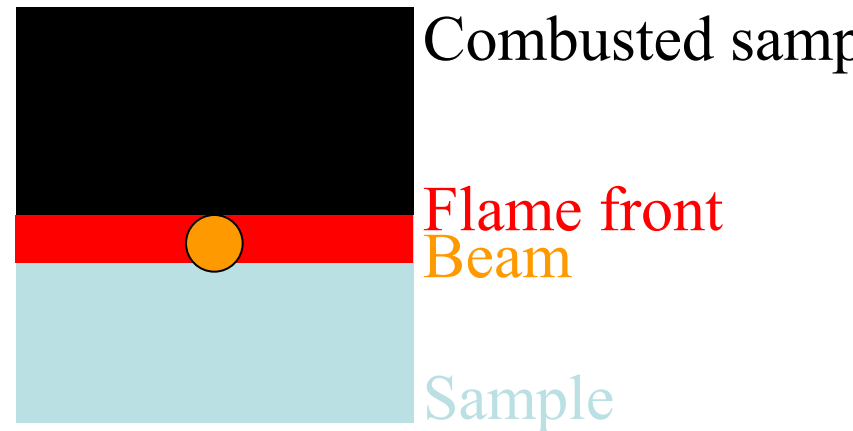
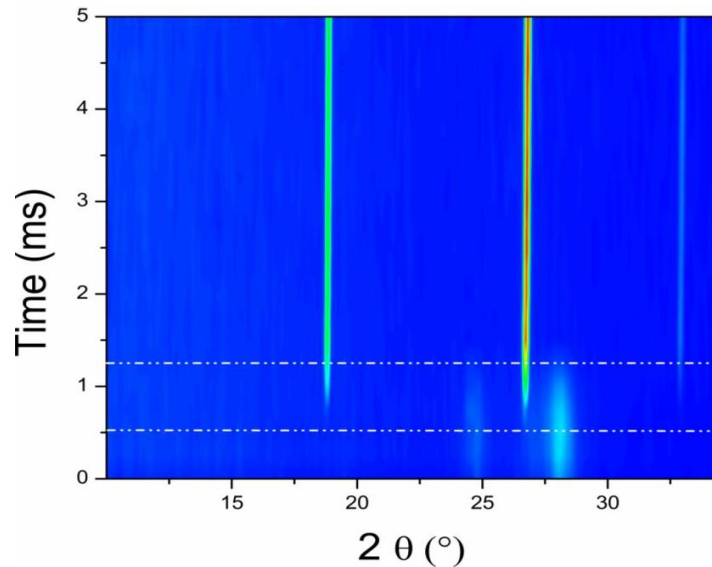
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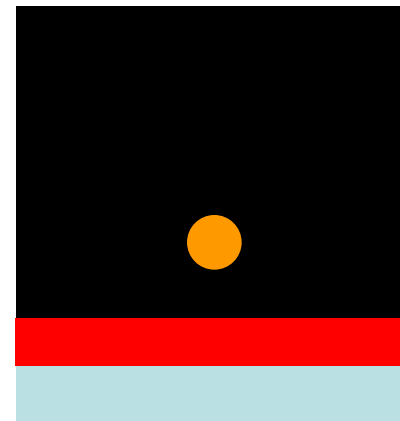
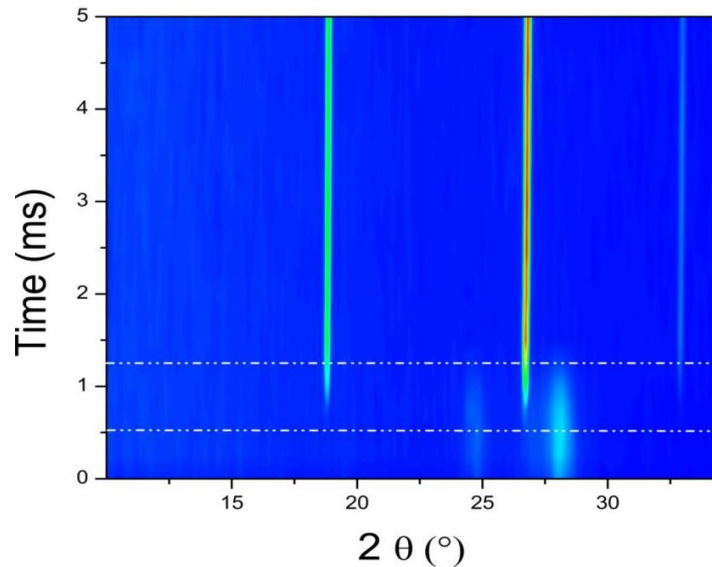
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Combusted sample

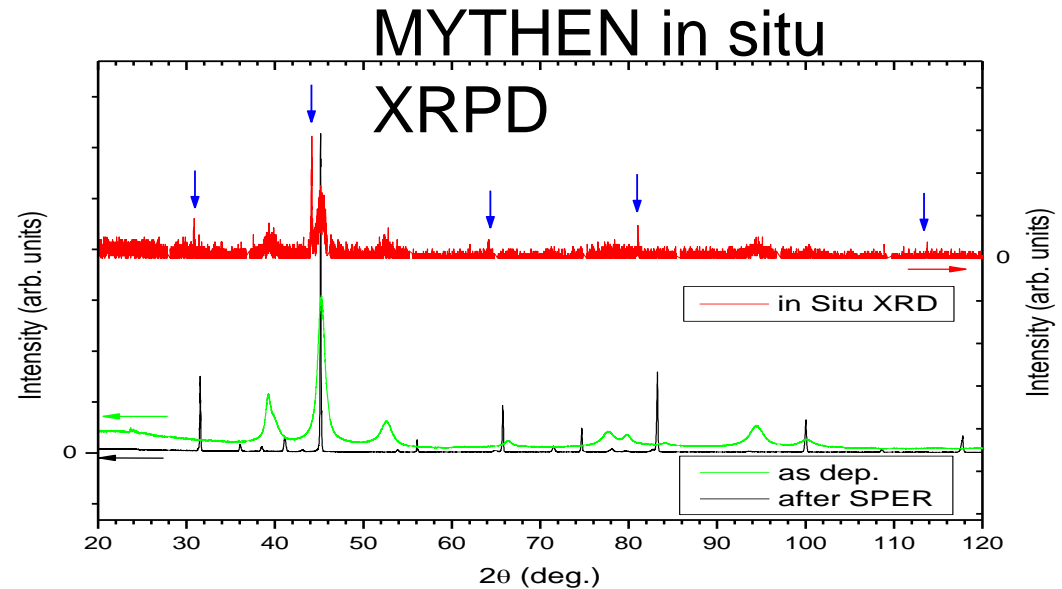
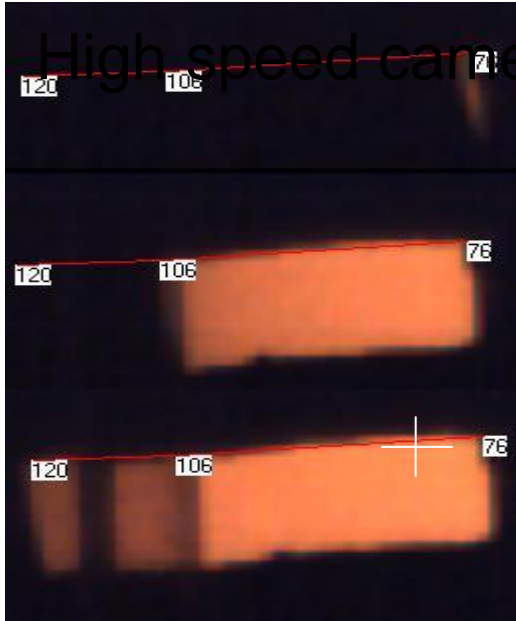
Beam

Flame front

Sample



# Experimental proof of intermediate structure



Proof of principle for investigations of reactions with high flame front velocities

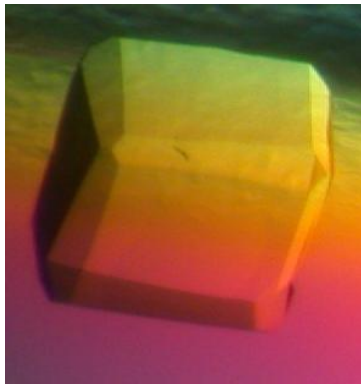
Experimental proof for the formation of an intermediate intermetallic phase

Without Mythen no transient structure could have been measured

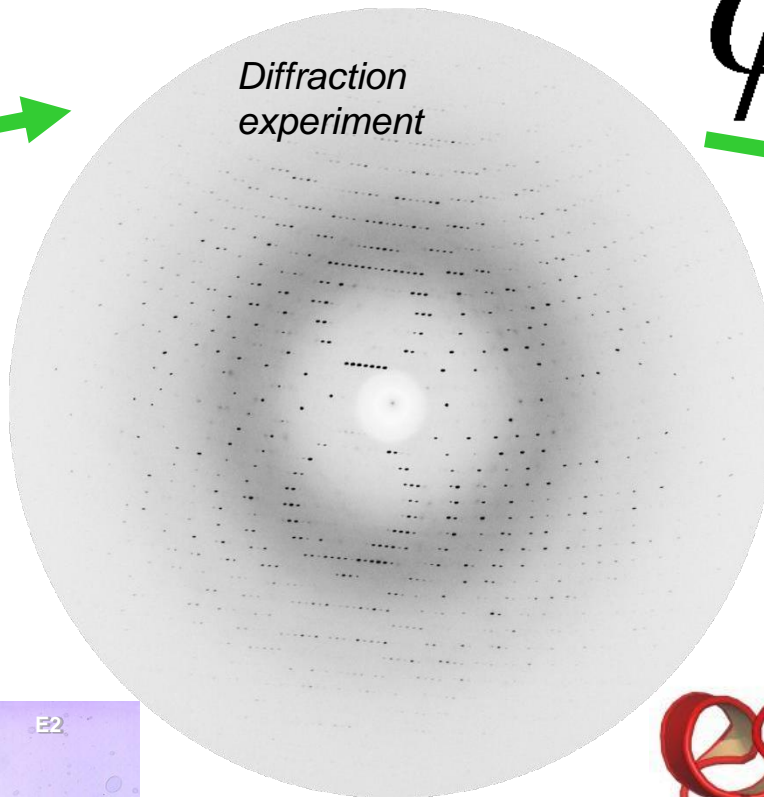
## Protein Crystallography: the Pilatus Detector

## From protein to structure

Crystallization  
(cubic Insulin)



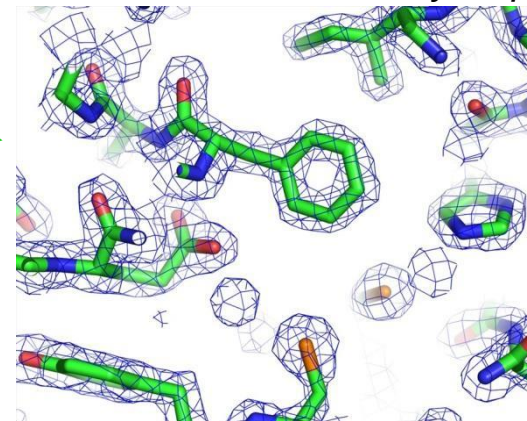
Diffraction  
experiment



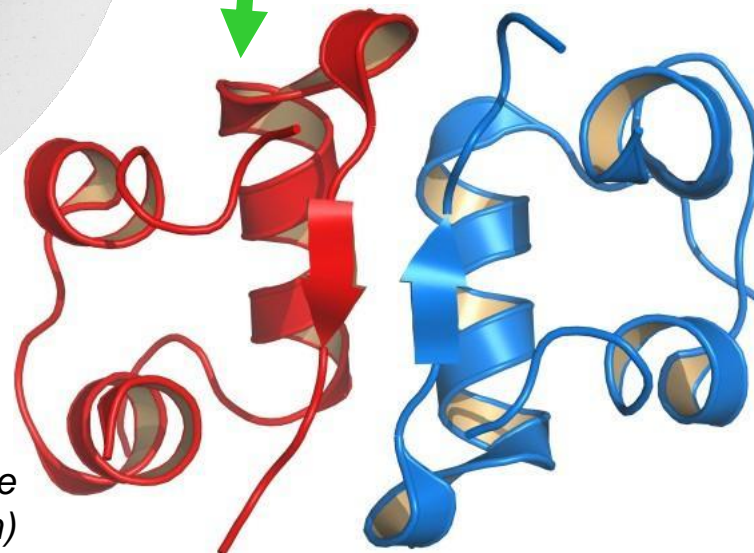
Phasing

$\phi$

Electron density map

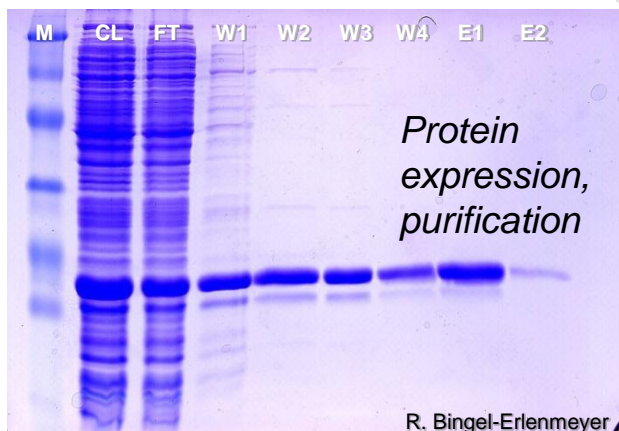


Model building, refinement



Structure  
(Insulin)

Protein  
expression,  
purification



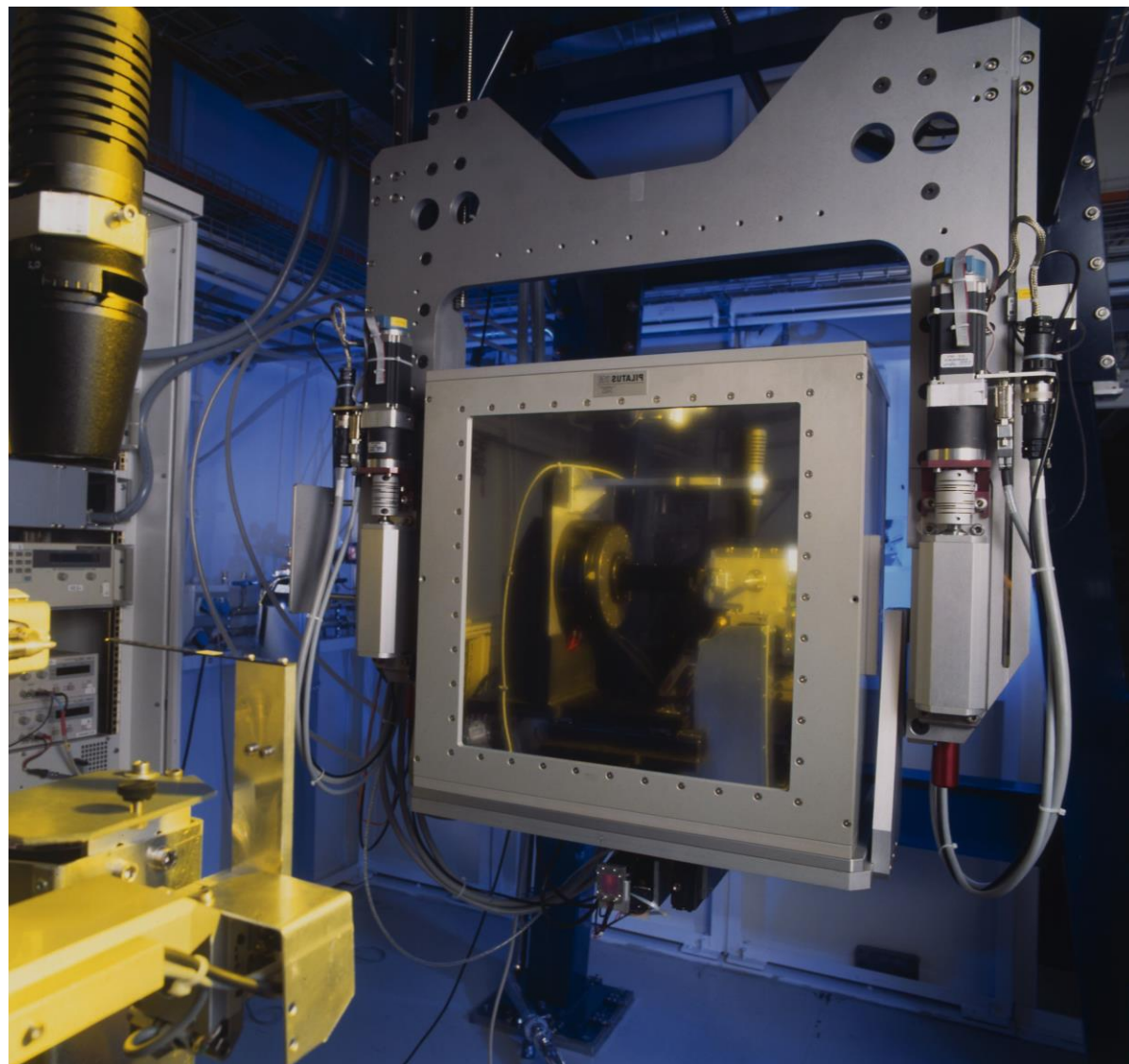
R. Bingel-Erlenmeyer

# PilatusII6M at the Protein Crystallography Station

<b>No of Modules</b>	<b>60, 12 x 5</b>
<b>Detector Size [mm]</b>	<b>431 x 448</b>
<b>Format</b>	<b>6'224'001 pixels</b>
<b>Pixel size</b>	<b>172 x 172 <math>\mu\text{m}^2</math></b>
<b>Dynamic range/pixel</b>	<b>20bits</b>
<b>Count rate/pixel</b>	<b>~ 1-3 MHz</b>
<b>Readout time</b>	<b>3.5 ms</b>
<b>Frame rate</b>	<b>12.5 Hz</b>

made continuous shutter-less  
operation possible at PX

Sold and further developed  
By Dectris





more than 3000 protein structures  
solved at PX beamline at SLS

~2/3 using PilatusII 6M

compiled by Sandro Waltersperger  
Dec 20113



Point of view of a Synchrotron person:

- detector must be big > 1 Mpixel
- well calibrated, usable, available and affordable

Developments in the US:

- Berkeley: P. Denes CCDs
- Cornell: Sol Grunners group (mixed mode pad)
- SLAC: LCLS, CSPAD, epix
- APS: CCDs, energy resolving detectors

Developments in Japan:

- SPring8 H. Toyokawa, T. Hirono CdTe pixel and strip
- Sacra T. Hatsui multi via pixel based on SOI

Developments in France:

ImXpad (Spin-off CPPM Marseille)  
ESRF (FRELON CCD, MAXIPIX)

Medipix based developments:

- Lamda at Desy
- Excalibur at Diamond

Developments for EU-XFEL:

- AGIPD, LPD, DSSC

Developments from Dectris: PilatusIII

Developments from HLL, PN Sensor PN Detector:

- Depfets, PN-CCD, Si Drift

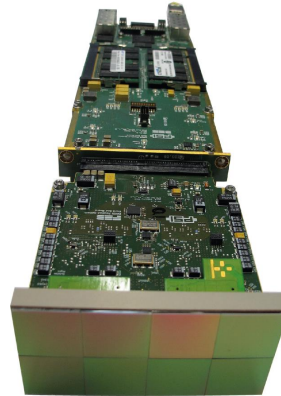
Low energies:

- Percival (Desy, RAL, Elettra)



# Current X-ray Detector Development at SLS

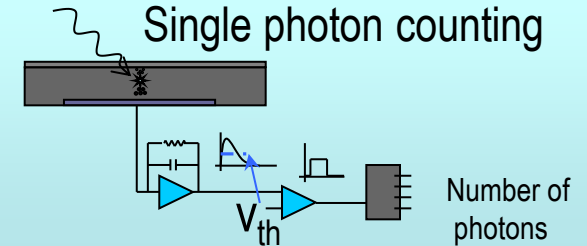
Eiger



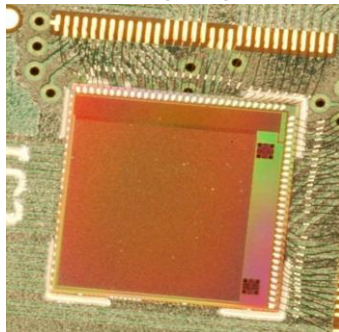
Mythen II



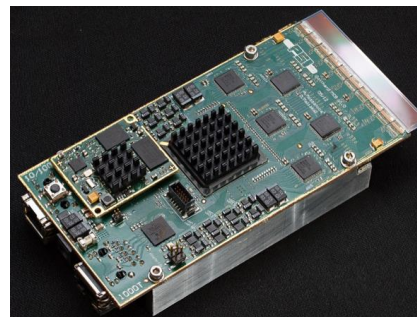
Synchrotron detectors



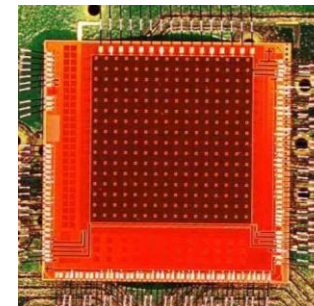
Mönch



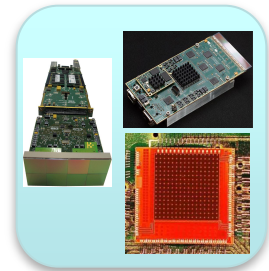
Gotthard



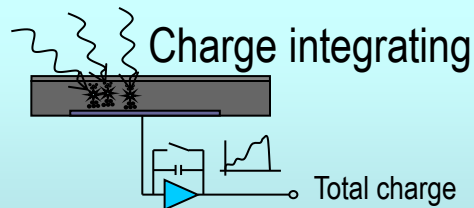
AGIPD:  
EU-XFEL



Jungfrau:  
SwissFEL



Synchrotrons and XFEL detectors



# Swiss Mountains

Eiger  
(3970 m)

Mönch  
(4099 m)

Jungfrau  
(4158 m)



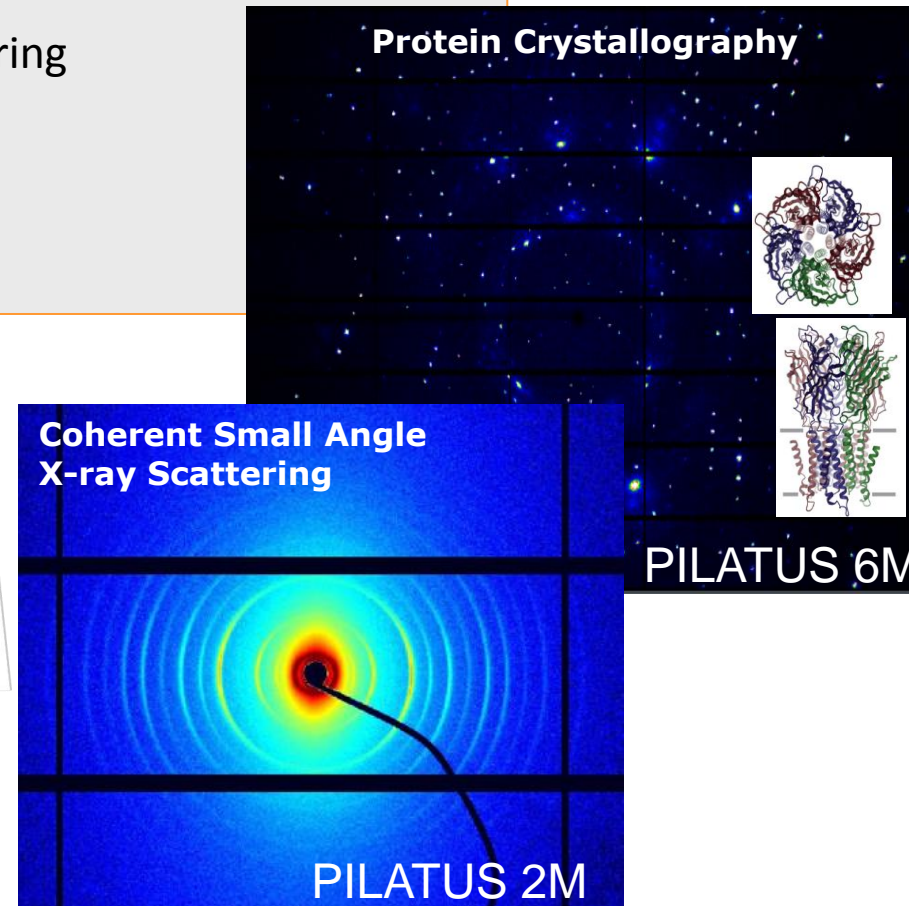
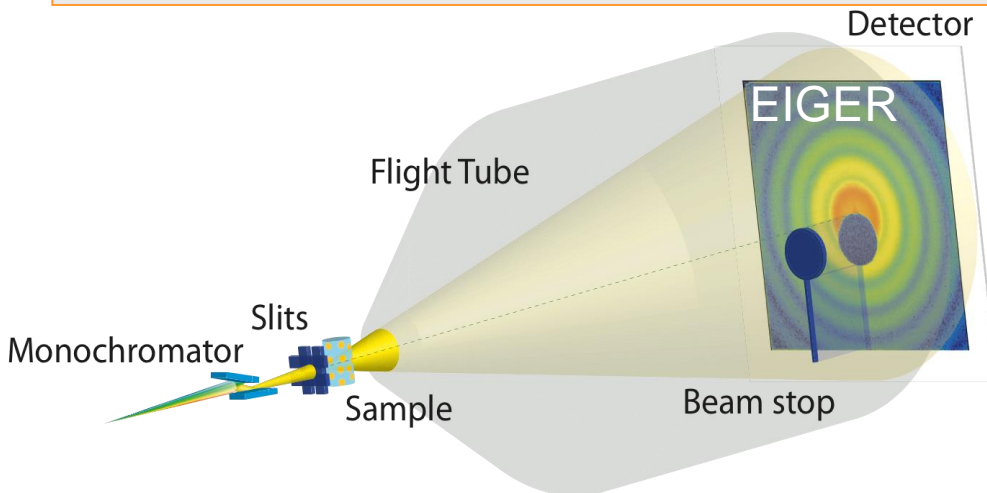
Other famous mountains: Mythen, Gotthard and Pilatus...



# The Eiger Detector

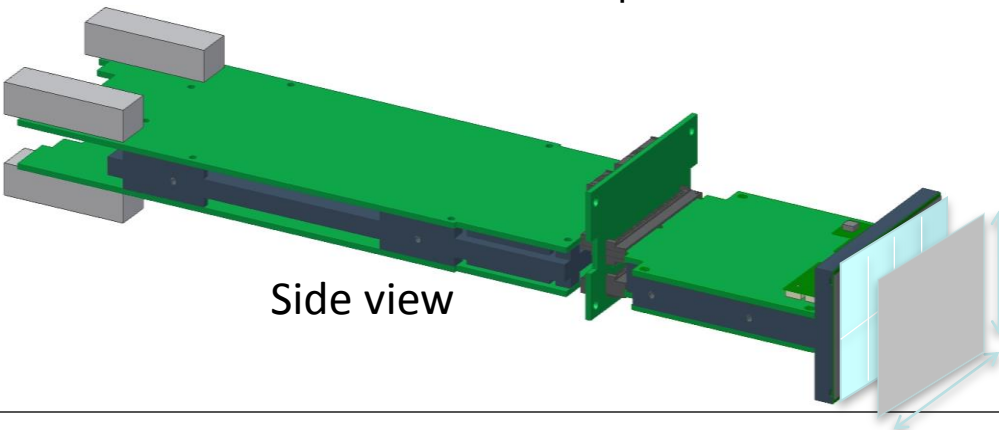
Single photon counting hybrid pixel detector for synchrotron applications aimed towards diffraction experiments

- Applications at cSAXS:
  - Scanning Coherent Small Angle X-ray Scattering
  - Coherent Diffractive Imaging
  - X-ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy
- Protein Crystallography

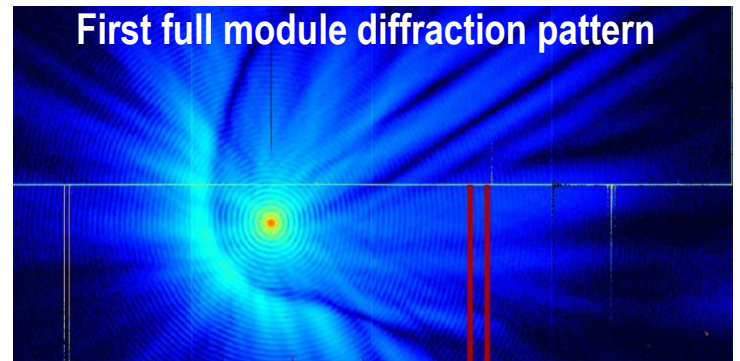


# Eiger, the next generation pixel detector

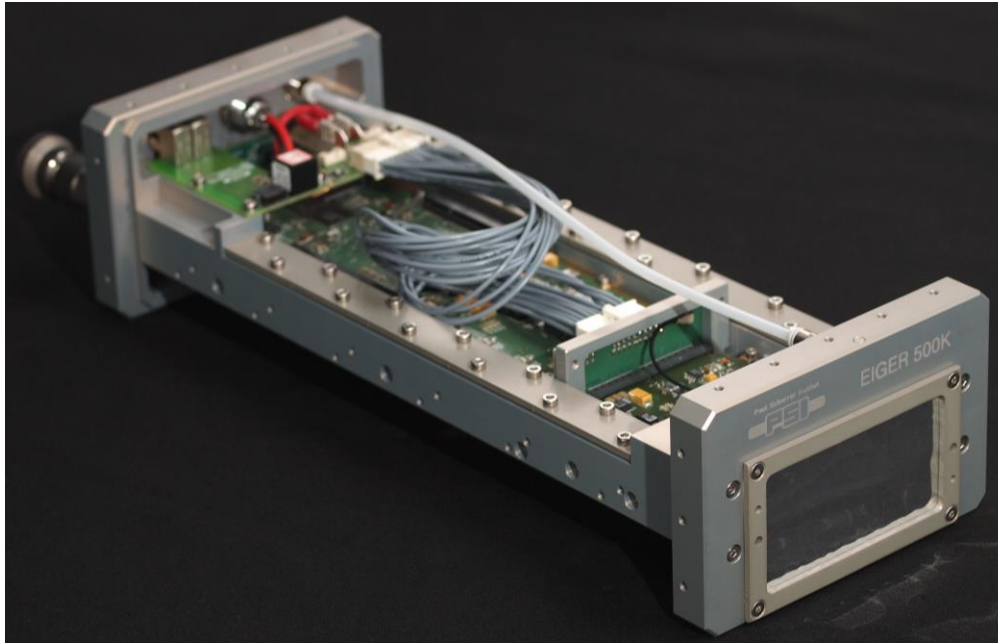
- Single photon counting pixel detector
- Sensitive area of 38 X 77 mm<sup>2</sup>
- Pixel size 75  $\mu$ m
- 524k pixel module
- Dead time free mode of operation
- Maximum frame rates
  - 23 kHz in 4 bit mode
  - 12 kHz in 8 bit mode
  - 8 kHz in 12 bit mode
- 8 GB of memory on a module
- Two 10 GbE data links per module



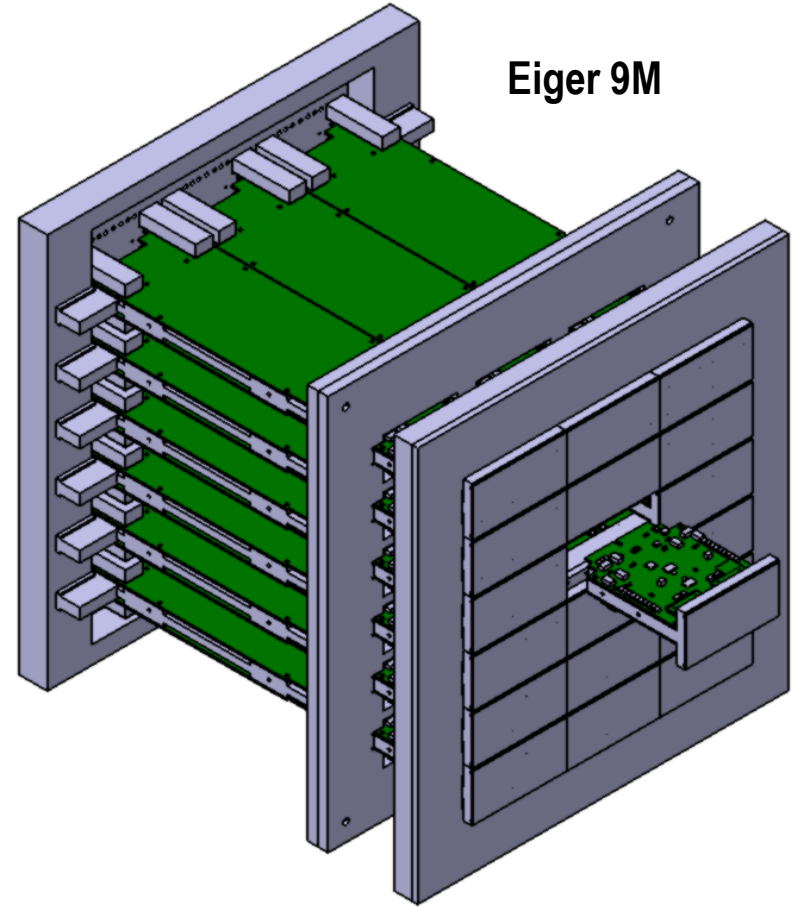
First full module diffraction pattern



## 500k single module



## Eiger 9M

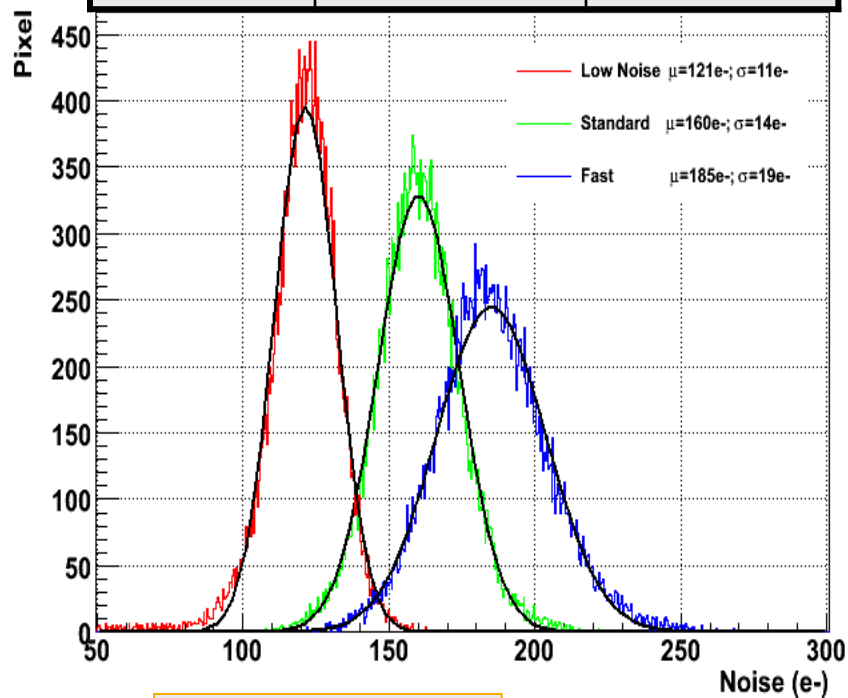


	Number of pixels	On board storage (frames/4 bits)	Data rate <sup>1</sup> @ 12 kHz	Data rate <sup>2</sup> @ 1kHz	Data rate <sup>3</sup> @ 100 Hz	Data rate <sup>4</sup> @ 10 Hz
Module	524 k (512 x 1024)	~32,740	50.3 Gb/s	6.29 Gb/s*	839 Mb/s*	168 Mb/s*
9M Detector	9.44 M (3072x3072)	~32,740	906 Gb/s	113 Gb/s	15.1 Gb/s*	3.02 Gb/s*

1) 8 bit, equivalent to ~4@23 kHz and 12@8 kHz. 2) 12 bit. 3) 16 bit. 4) 32 bit. \*) Foreseeable continuous storage rates (~20 Gb/s).

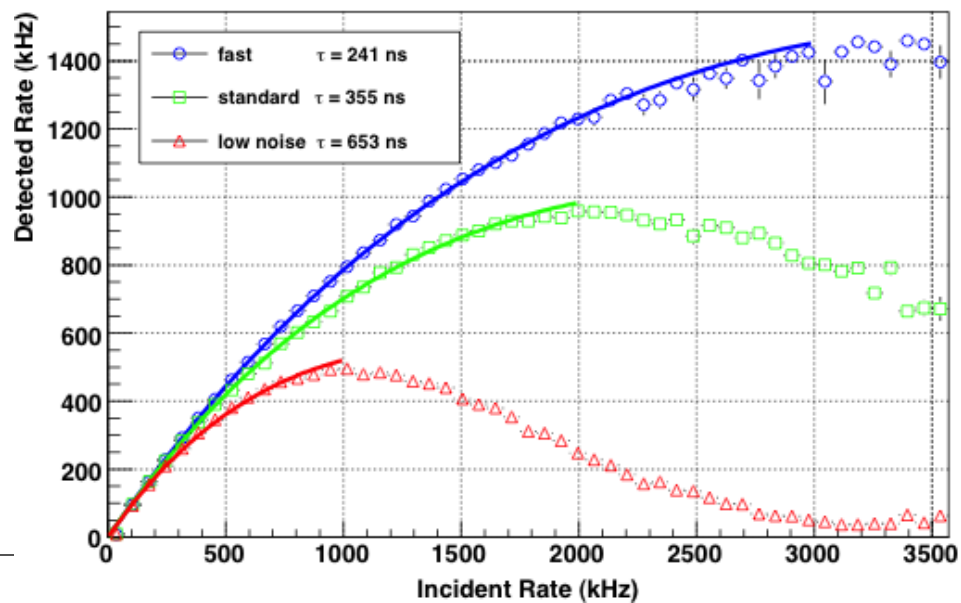
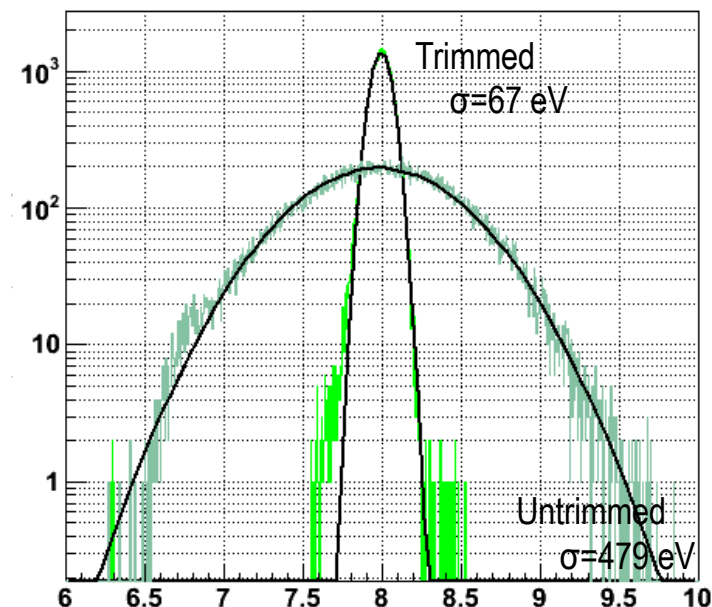
# Noise and threshold dispersion

Operation Mode	Noise(e-)	Sigma (e-)
LowNoise	$121.1 \pm 0.07$	$10.7 \pm 0.06$
Standard	$160.1 \pm 0.08$	$13.9 \pm 0.07$
Fast	$185.0 \pm 0.1$	$18.7 \pm 0.09$



@14KeV

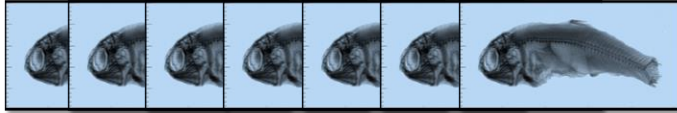
## Threshold Dispersion



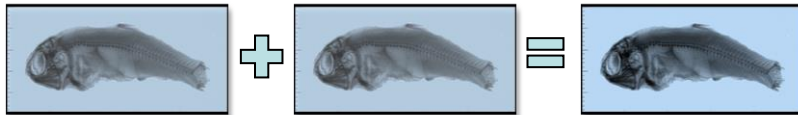


# On board Intelligence (data processing in firmware)

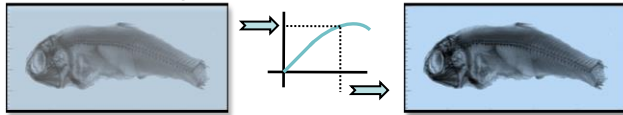
## Data buffering



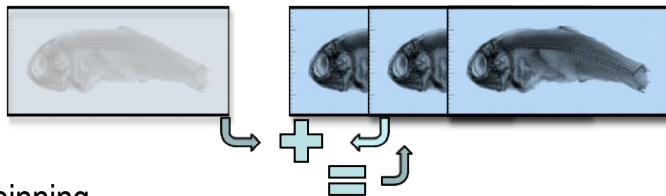
## Image summation



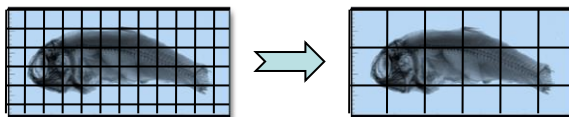
## Rate correction



## Series averaging



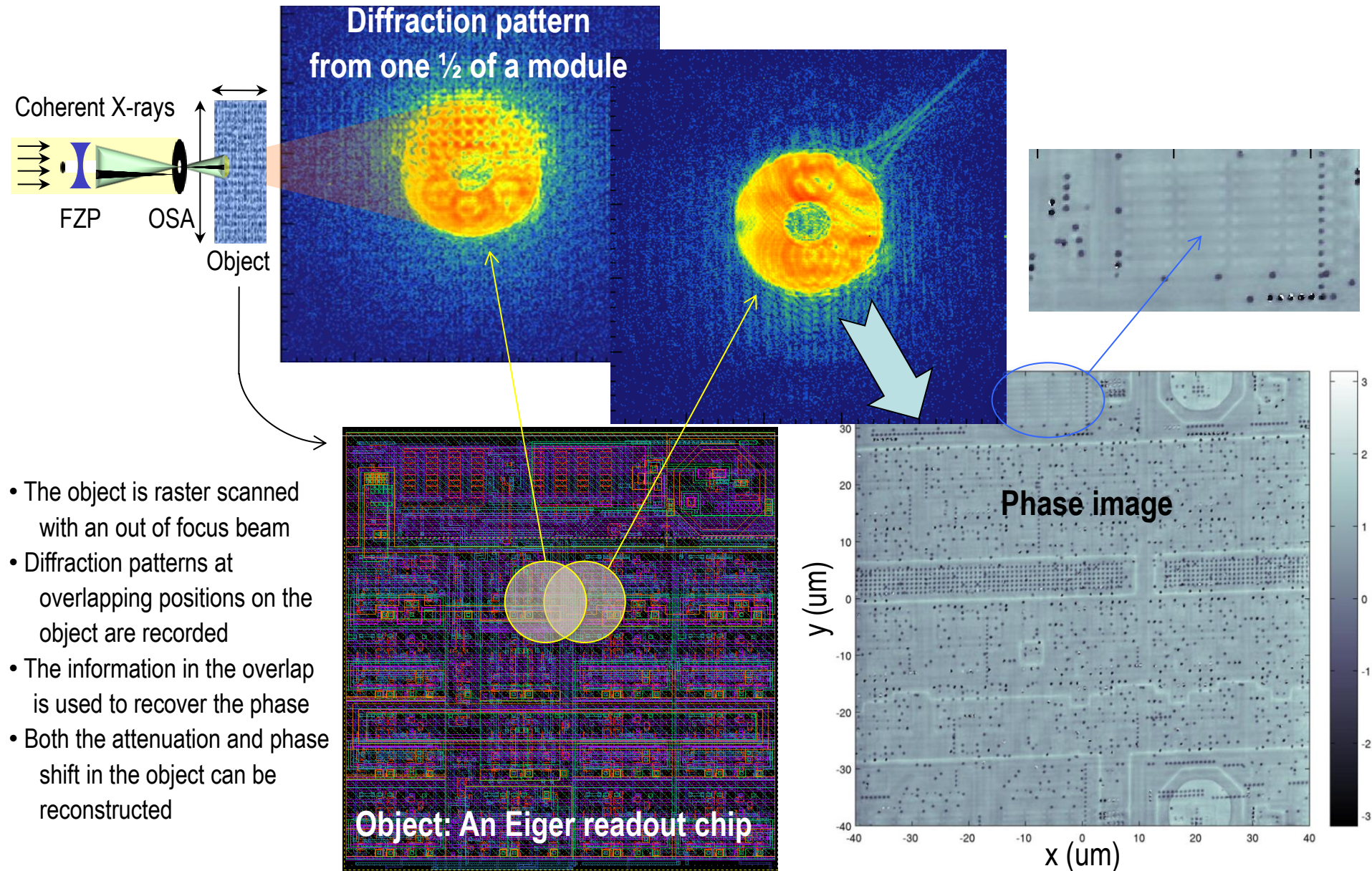
## Rebinning



- On board data processing is in parallel on multi-module systems
  - independent of the detector size
  - for modules reduces tens of Gb/s at the source
  - for a 9Ms, hundreds of Gb/s at the source
- Data buffering (8GB of memory)
- On the fly image summation
  - extends the dynamic range from 4096 to  $4 \times 10^9$
  - makes high flux continuous data taking possible
  - combined with rate correction
- Rate correction
  - performed on sub-frames @ kHz frame rate
  - more precise, less sensitive to rate fluctuations
- Pump and probe series averaging
  - high frame rate exposure series summing
  - alternating pumped and un-pumped
- Data reduction
  - 2x2 pixel rebinning
  - SAXS ring intensity averaging (planned)
  - data compression (in thought, question of HDF5 compatibility)



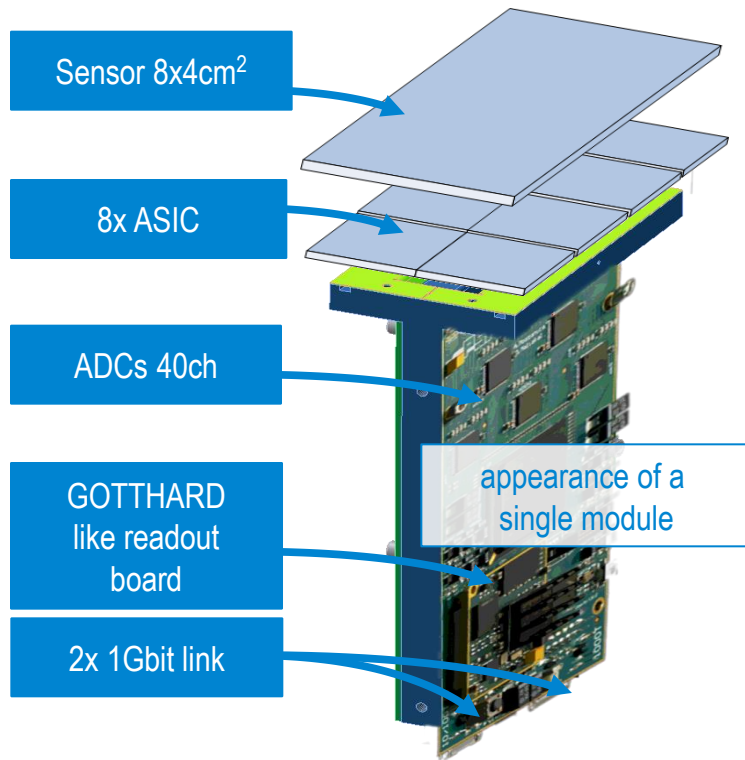
# An Eiger self portrait (Ptychography)



- The object is raster scanned with an out of focus beam
- Diffraction patterns at overlapping positions on the object are recorded
- The information in the overlap is used to recover the phase
- Both the attenuation and phase shift in the object can be reconstructed

# Jungfrau: a 2D detector for Swissfel

adJUstiNg Gain detector FoR the Aramis User station



- ASIC and readout system based on GOTTHARD:
  - 3 gains automatic switching
  - Low noise high dynamic range ( $10^4$  12keV photons)
  - UMC 110nm
- Dimensions, sensor and mechanics from EIGER:
  - 75 x 75  $\mu\text{m}^2$  pixel size
  - 4 x 8 cm<sup>2</sup> sensor size
- Frame rate: 2kHz

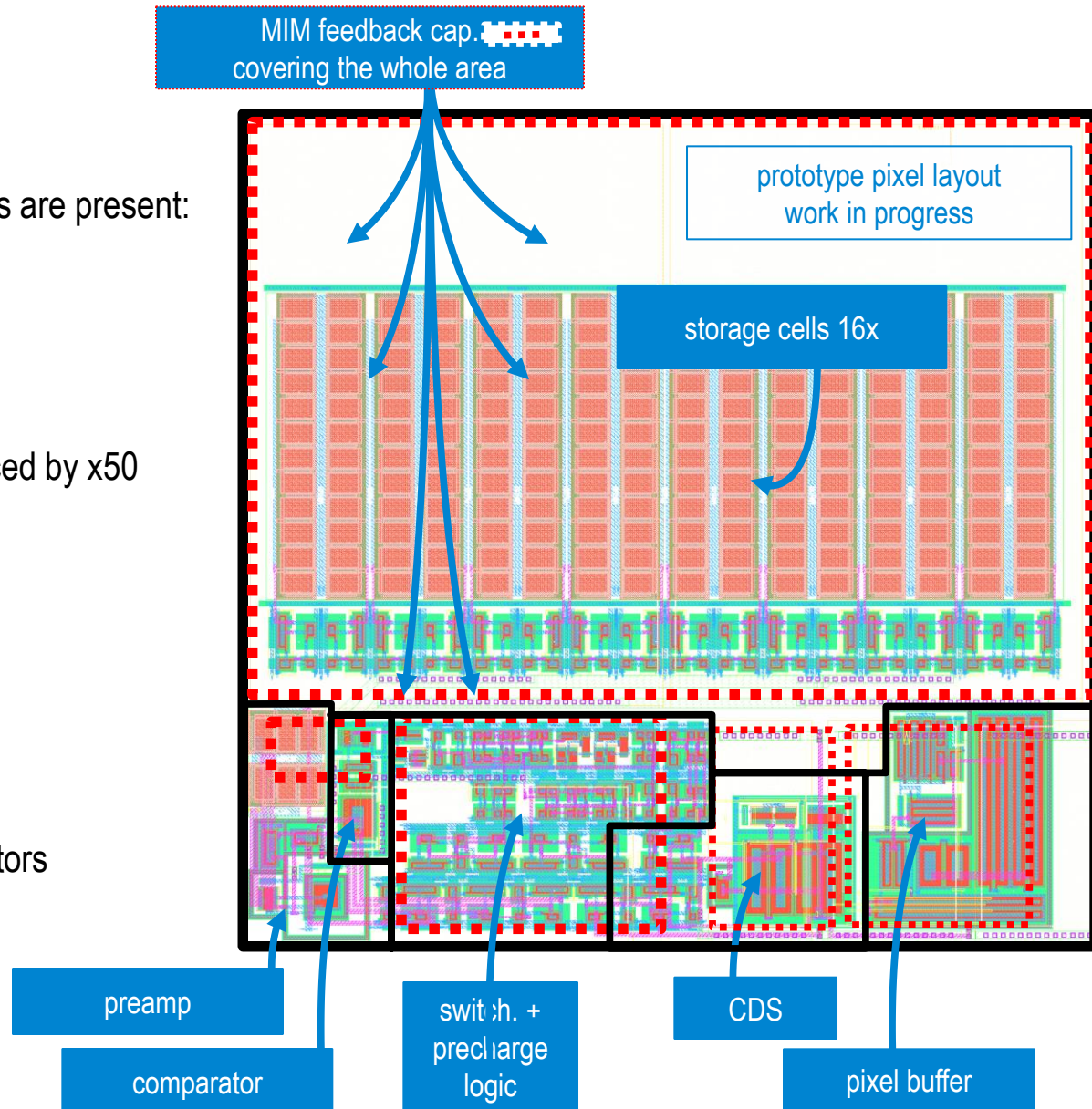


# Jungfrau pixel architecture

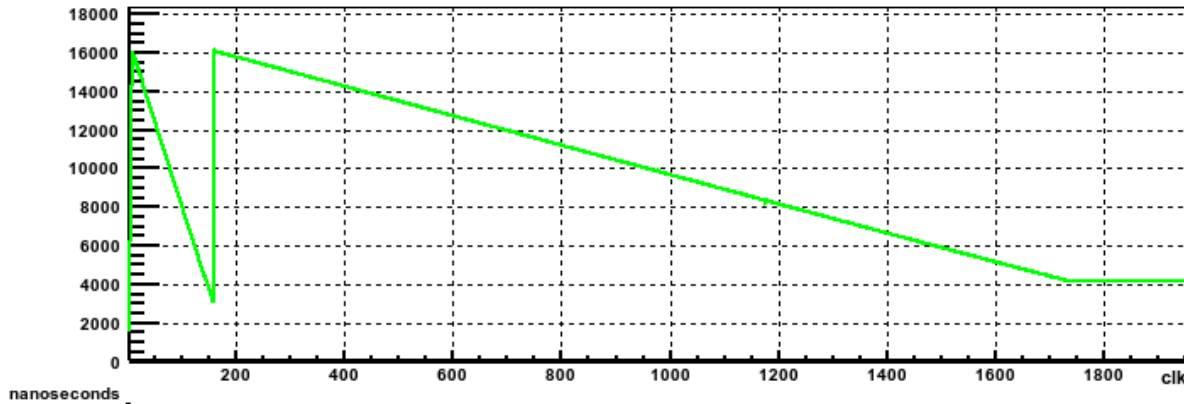
Basically a 2D version of Gotthard

In a pixel design the following challenges are present:

- Size reduced by a factor 5
- Power consumption per channel reduced by x50
  - low power preamp and CDS
  - power cycled off-pixel buffer
- Space for feedback capacitor limited,
  - amplifier range optimization
  - precharge of feedback capacitors

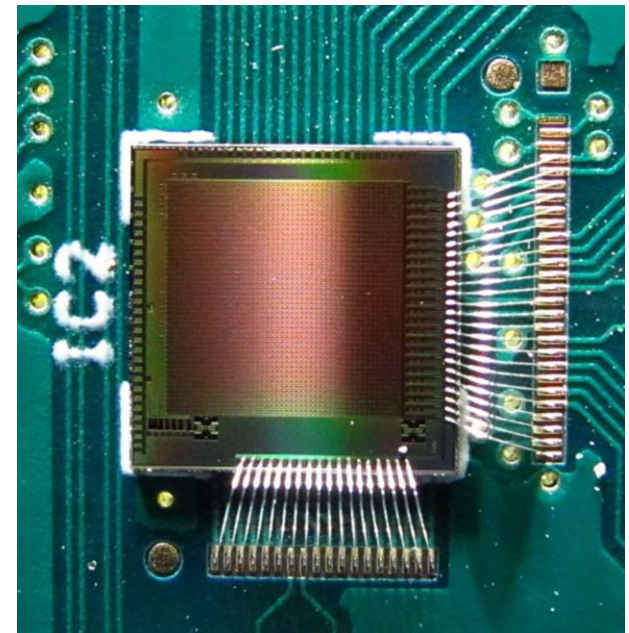


# Dynamic gain switching response

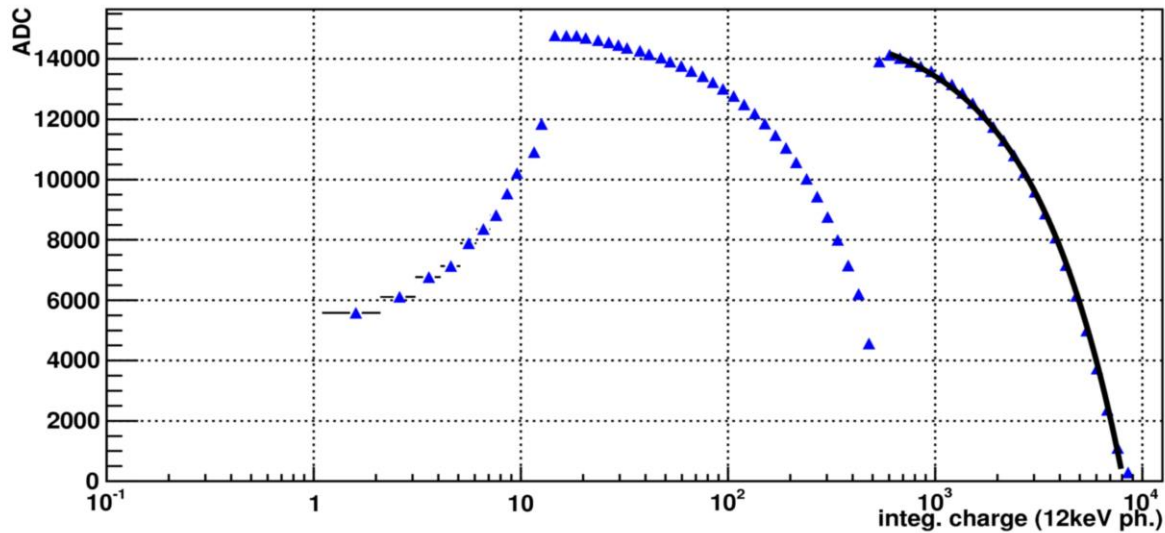


Prototype with 48 x 48 pixels

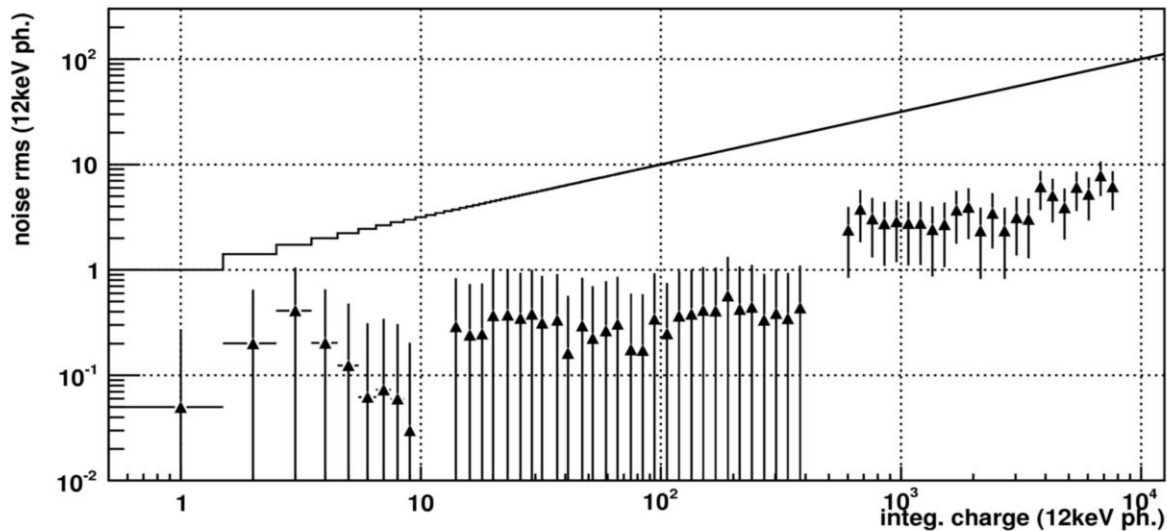
- measured with internal current source
- 1<sup>st</sup> gain switch at 25 ph. , 2<sup>nd</sup> at 600
- Linear up to >9500 12keV ph.
- Linearity err. <<1%



# Noise with dynamic gain switching



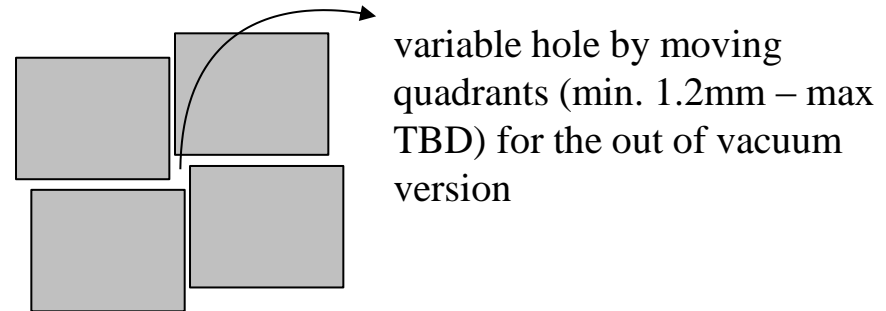
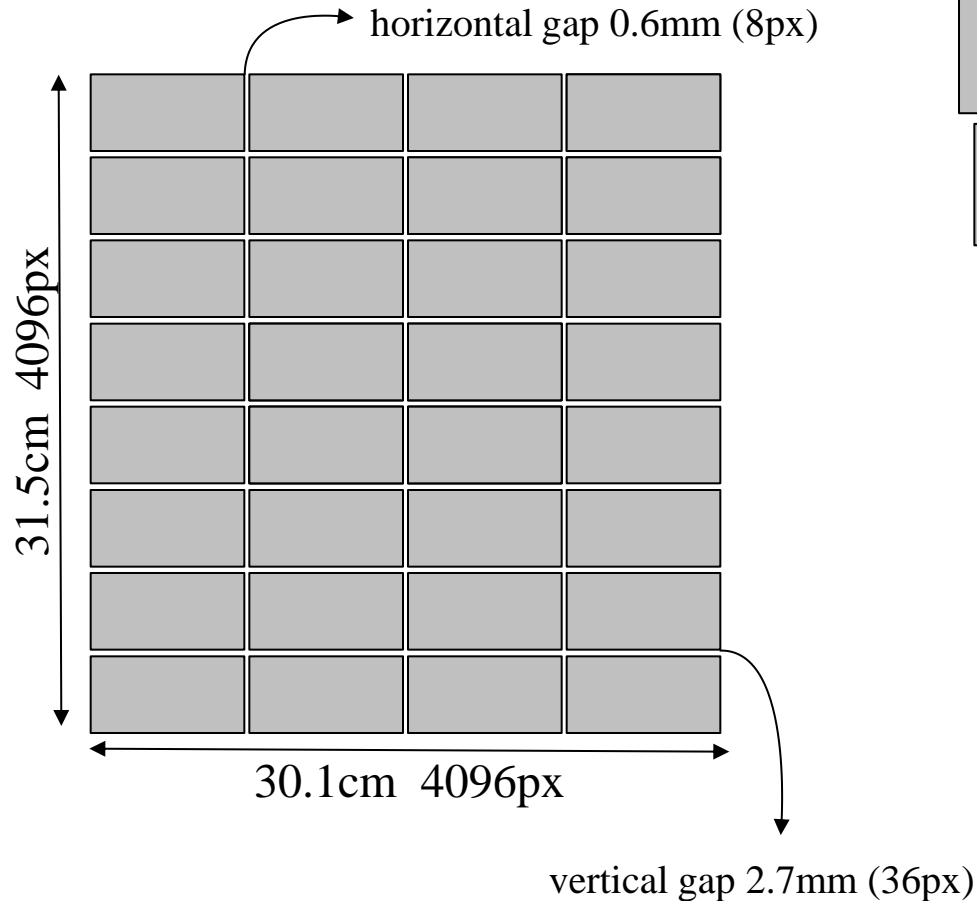
Dynamic range  
 $10^4$  12 keV photons



Noise always below  
Poisson limit →  
Single photon counting  
Data quality



# From modules to systems



- 500k (one module), 1M (2 modules), 4M and 16M (ESA main instrument, 32 modules) systems are foreseen
- same geometry as the EIGER systems (gaps, etc..)
- compact (20-25cm) in the Z direction
- 16M @ 100Hz will generate ~1.6 GB/s

# Conclusions/Benefits of Jungfrau

Timeline: full chip Mai, module end 2014, 4M detector mid 2015

Full chip and modules will be tested at Synchrotrons and XFELs

Small pixel size: 75  $\mu\text{m}$

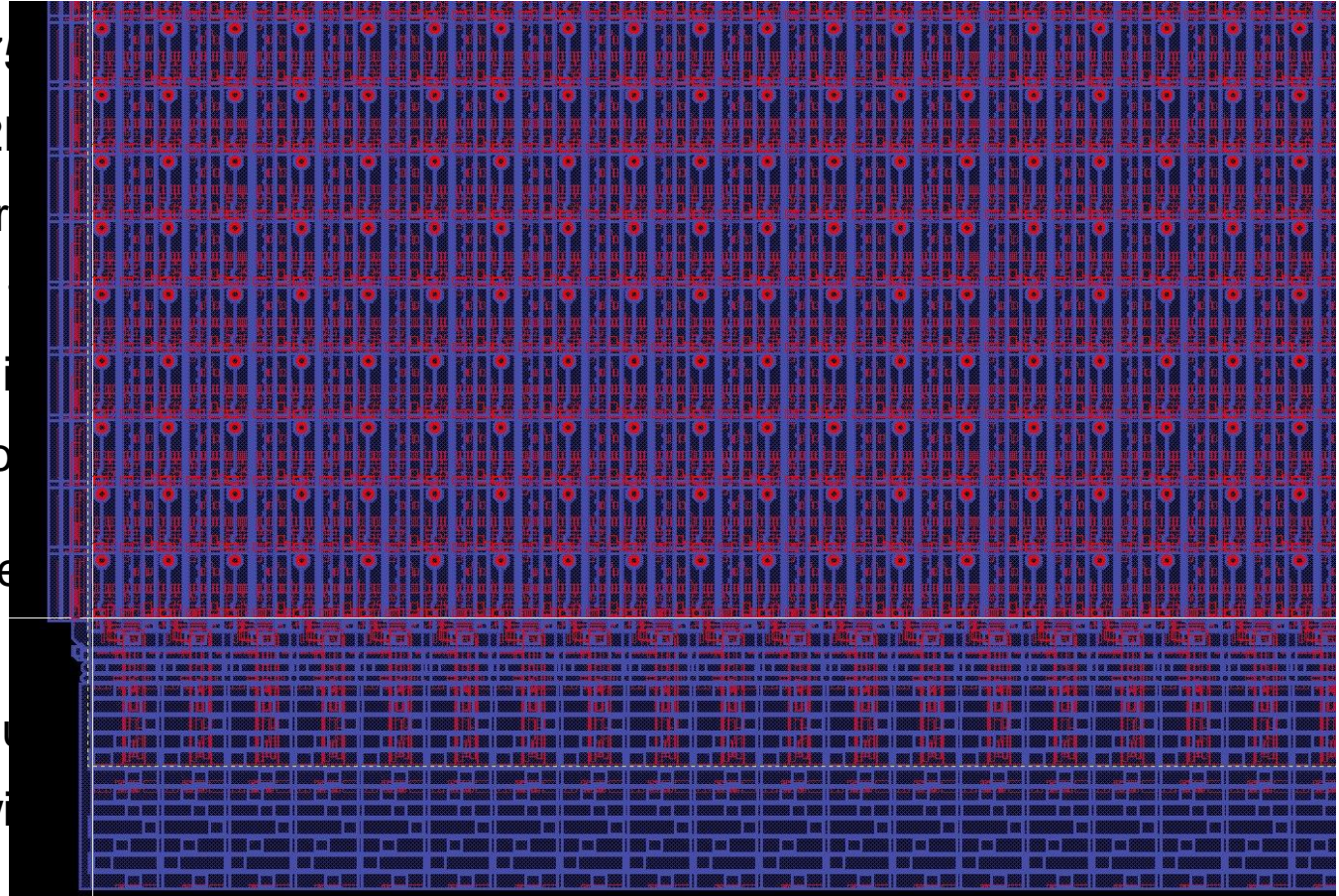
High frame rate: 200 Hz

High linear count rate

- Dead time
- Quasi infinite
- First big no

Low noise of 120 e<sup>-</sup>

- 3 keV with
- Less without
- (sensor with)

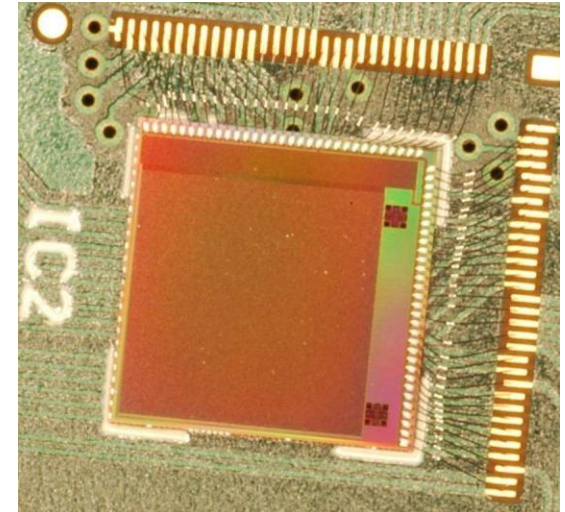


High energies with scintillators

**extremely good detector also for synchrotrons**

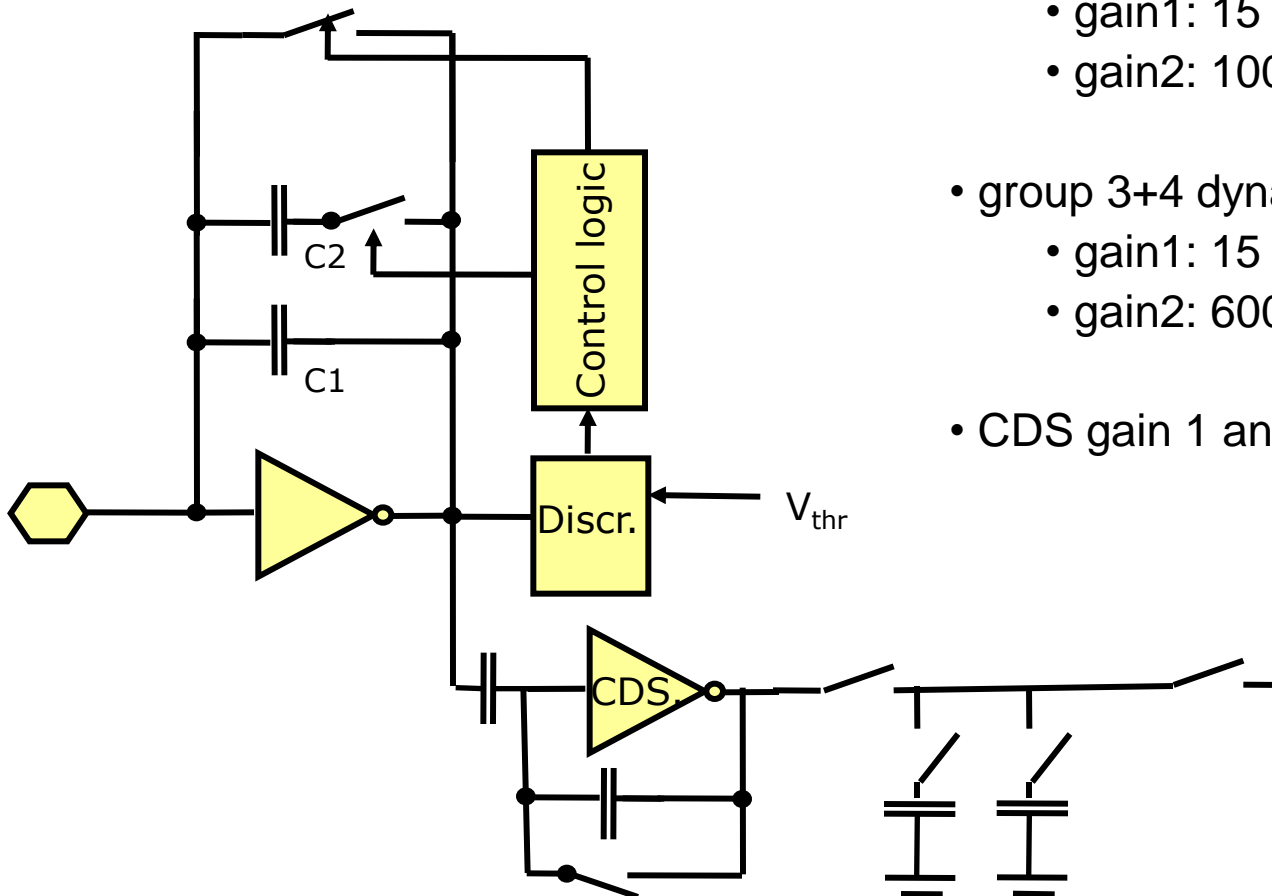
## Micropixel with enhanced pOosition rEsolution usiNg CHarge integration

- 25 x 25  $\mu\text{m}^2$  pixel integrating detector
- currently research project (no big system defined yet)
- prototype with 160 x 160 pixels
- goal: low noise and high dynamic range thanks to the dynamic gain switching
- At single photon rates
- Interpolation gives 1  $\mu\text{m}$  position resolution
- Spectral information is available by summing cluster charges
- Applications
  - Tomography
  - Laue Diffraction
  - Imaging using X-ray tubes
    - Low rates, 1  $\mu\text{m}$  position resolution and energy resolution



160 x 160 pixels divided into 4 groups:

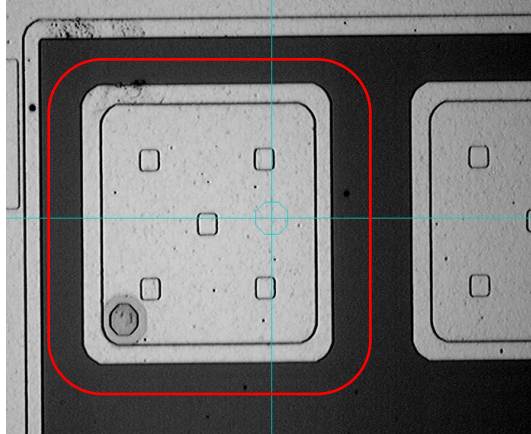
- group 1+2 fixed gains
  - gain1: 15 12keV photons
  - gain2: 100 12 keV photons
- group 3+4 dynamic gain switching
  - gain1: 15 12 keV photons
  - gain2: 600 12 keV photons
- CDS gain 1 and 4



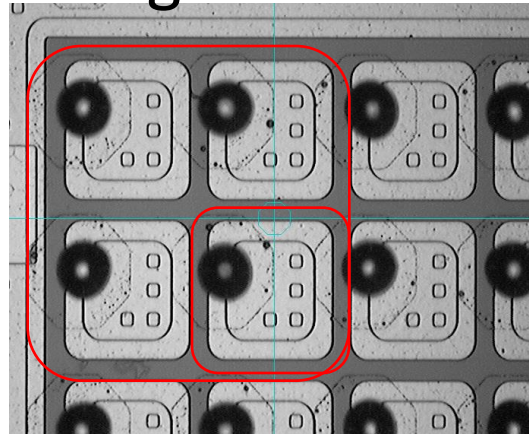


# The Mönch detector bump bonding

Pilatus 172  $\mu\text{m}$

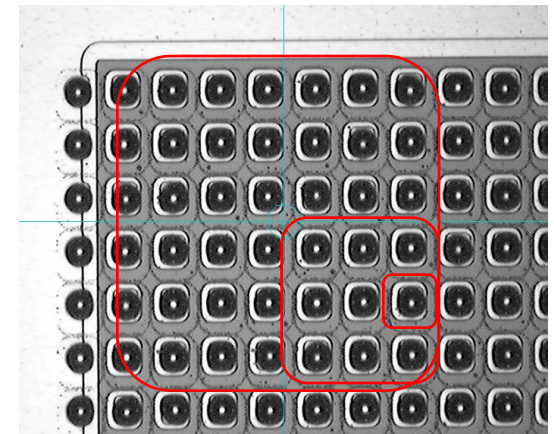


Eiger 75  $\mu\text{m}$



x5.3

Mönch 25  $\mu\text{m}$

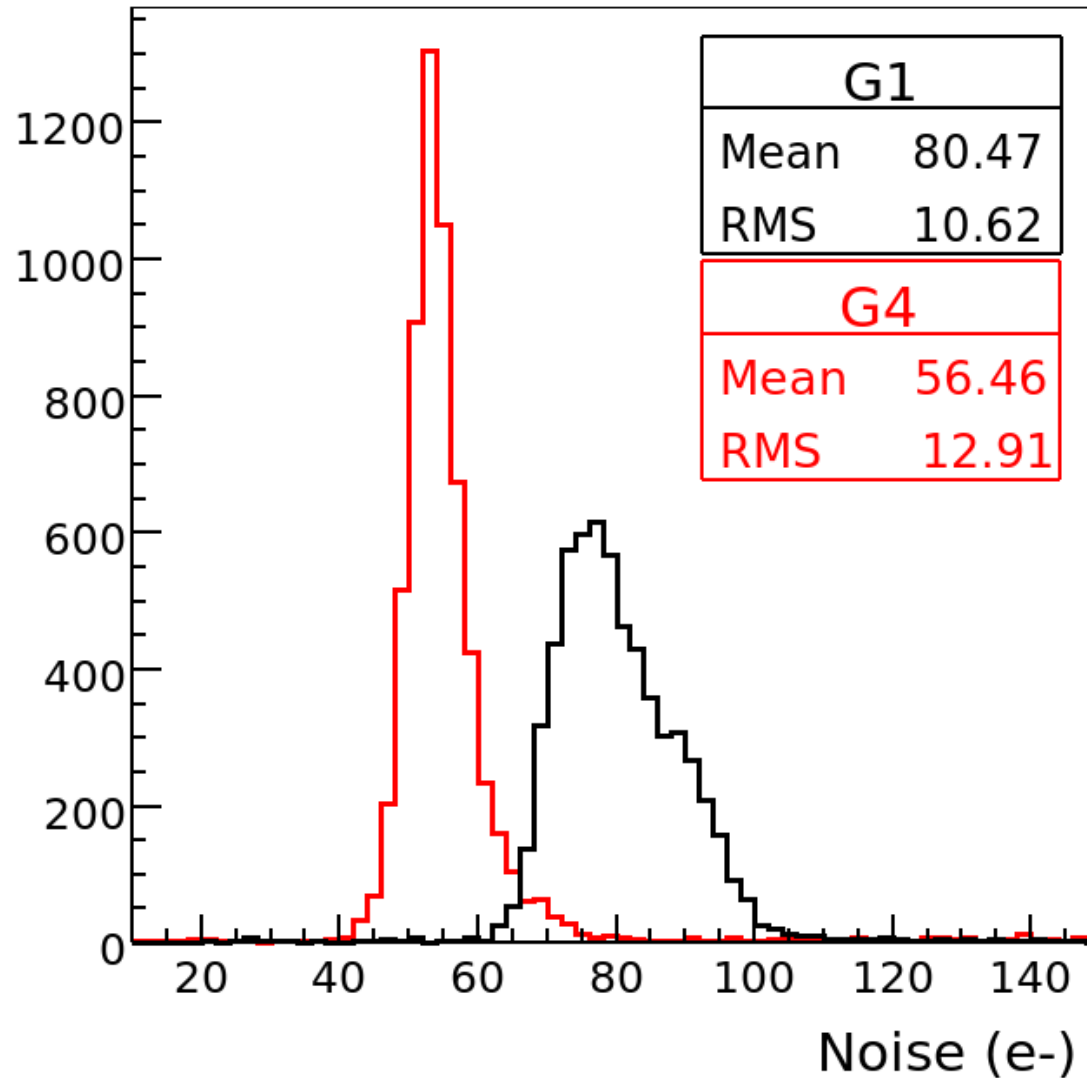


x47

- Bump bonding of 25 micron pixel seems doable with PSI in-house process
- Need to work on photo lithography (optimization of masks)

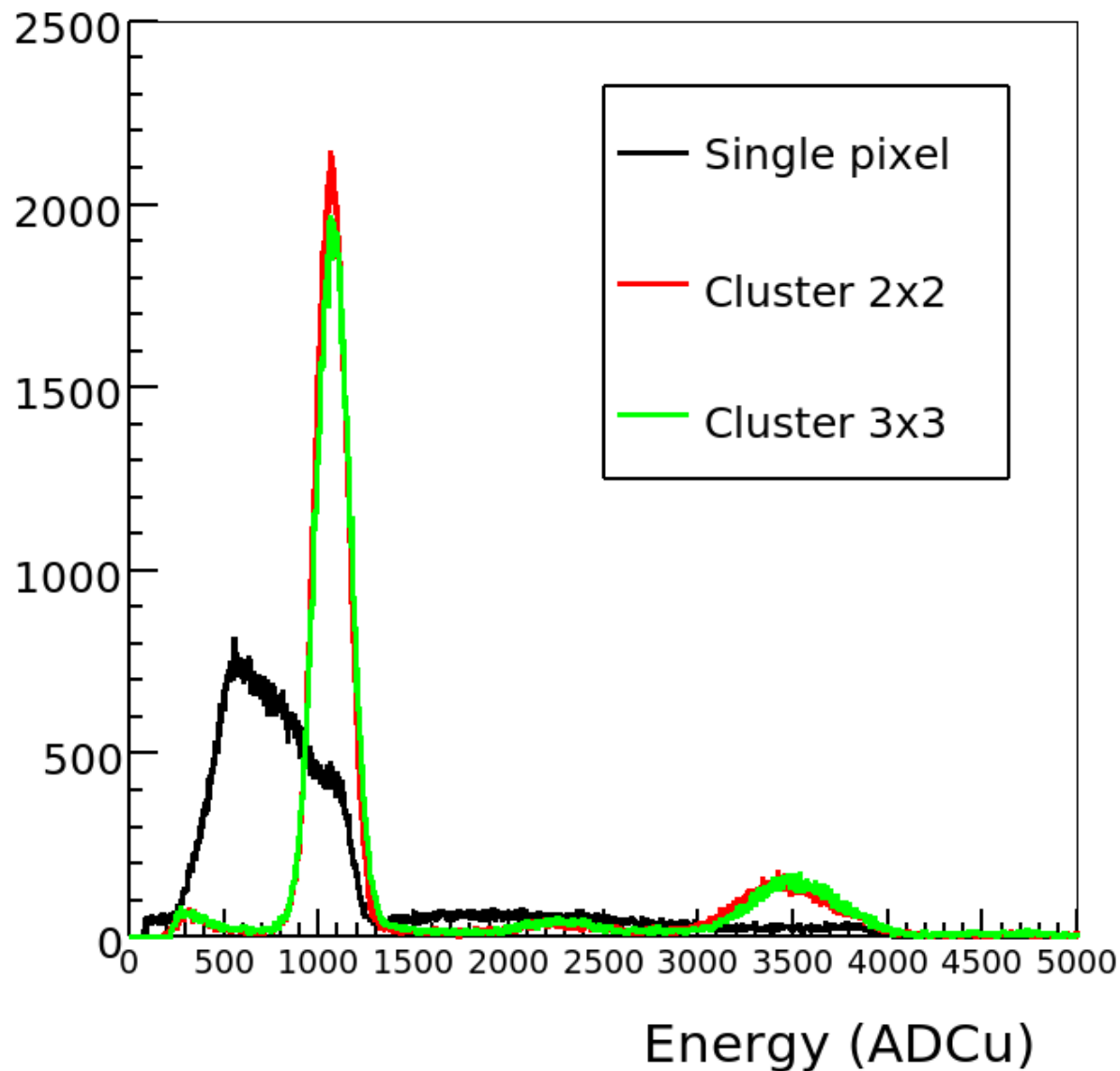


# Preliminary noise Distribution



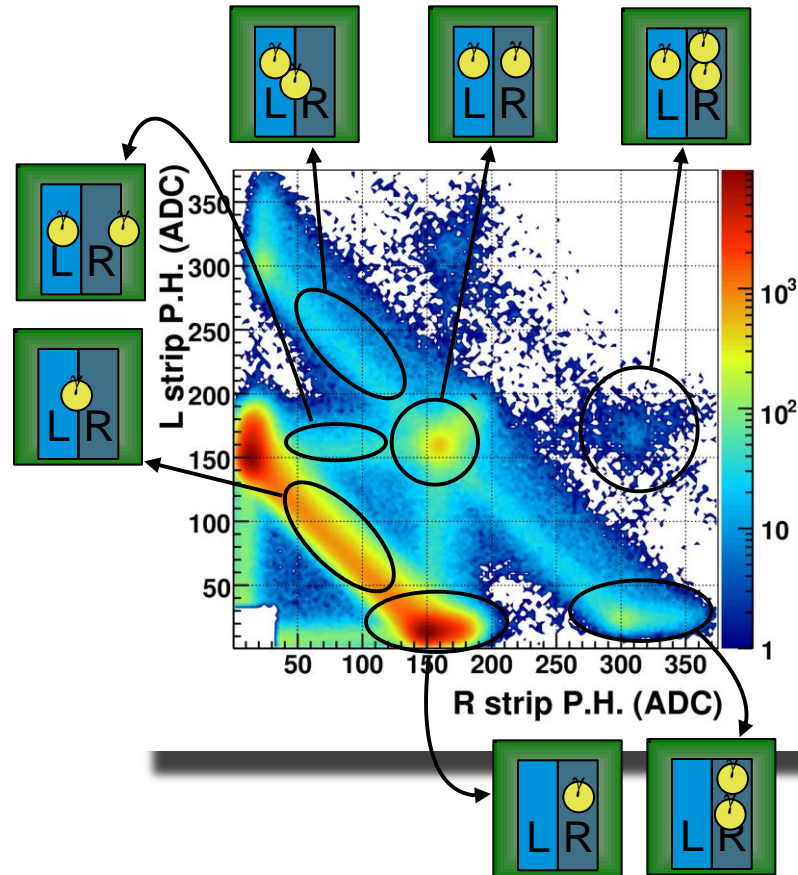
Have reached 30 e<sup>-</sup>

# Cluster charge Distribution



# What can one do with charge integrating systems?

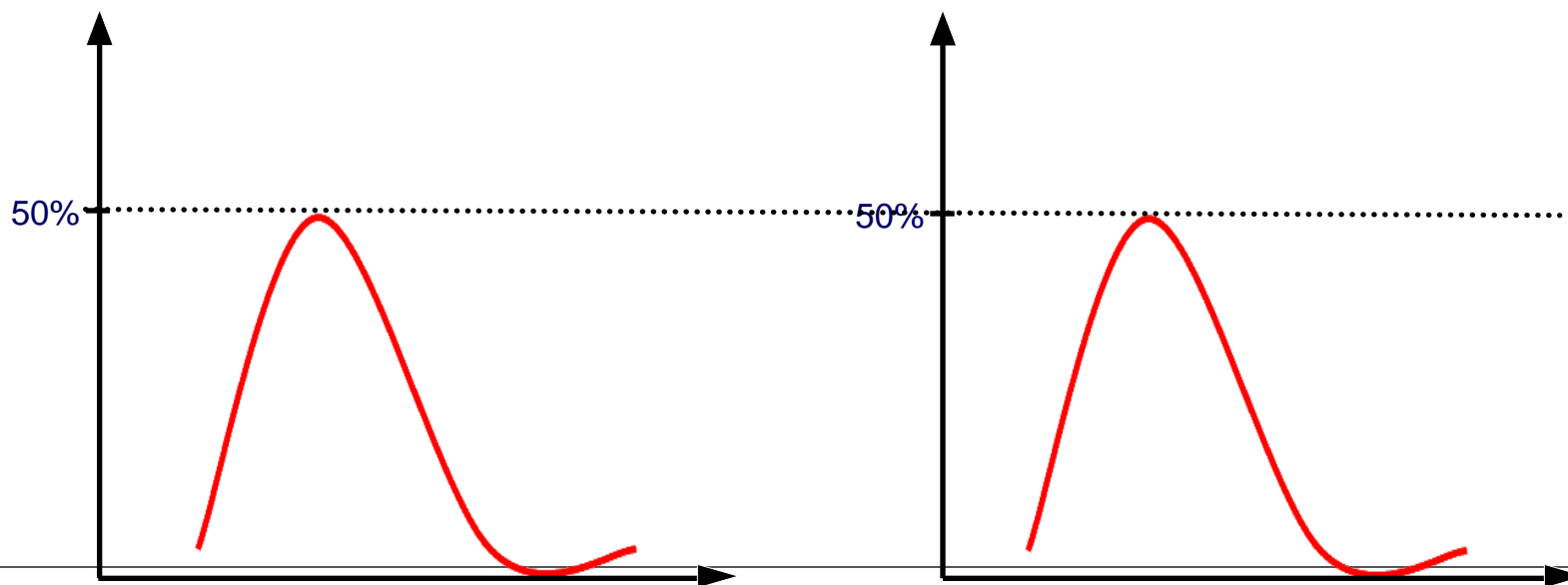
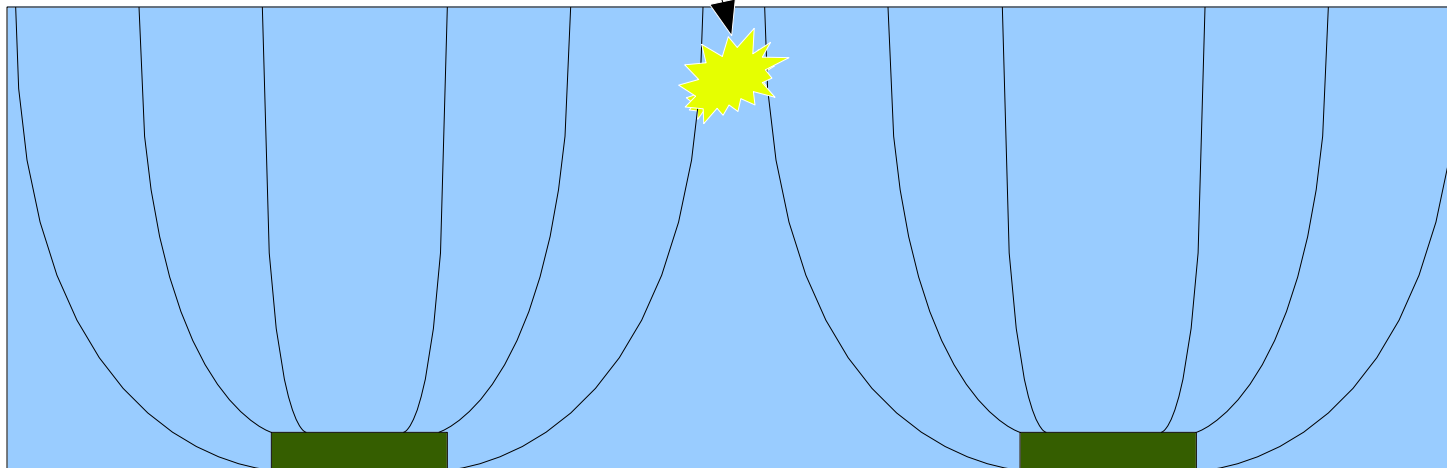
# Charge integrating detectors: get full information



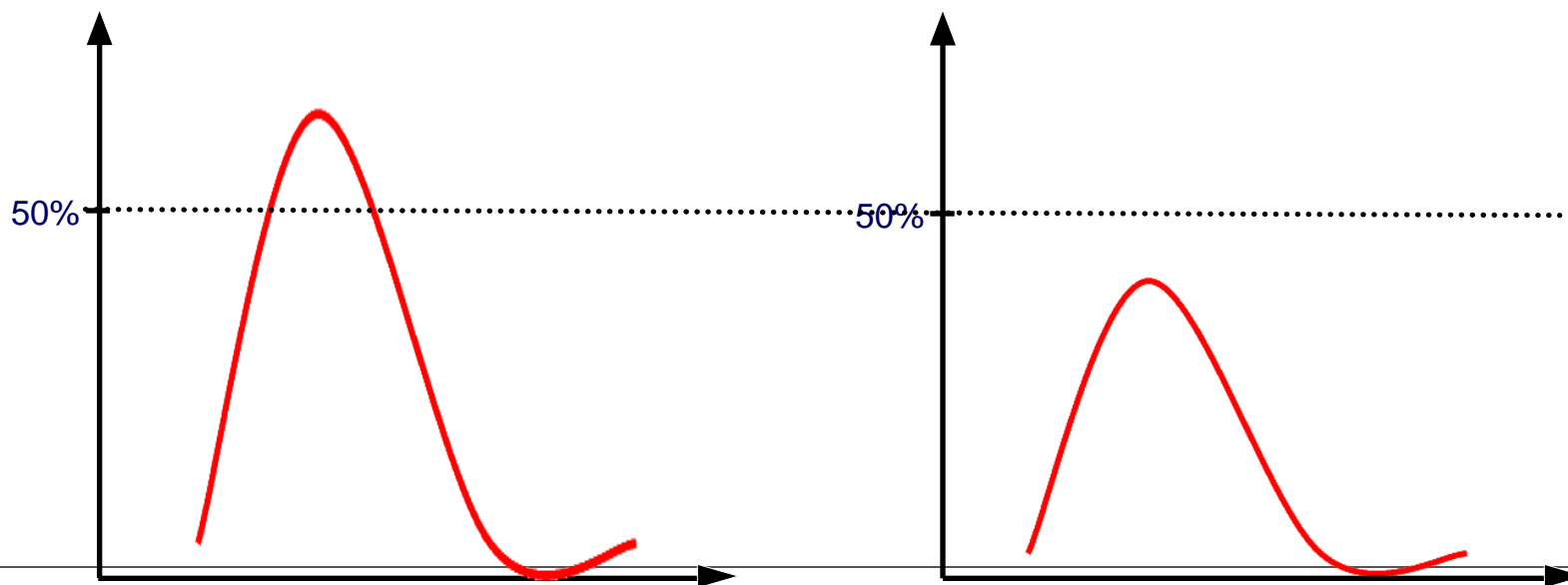
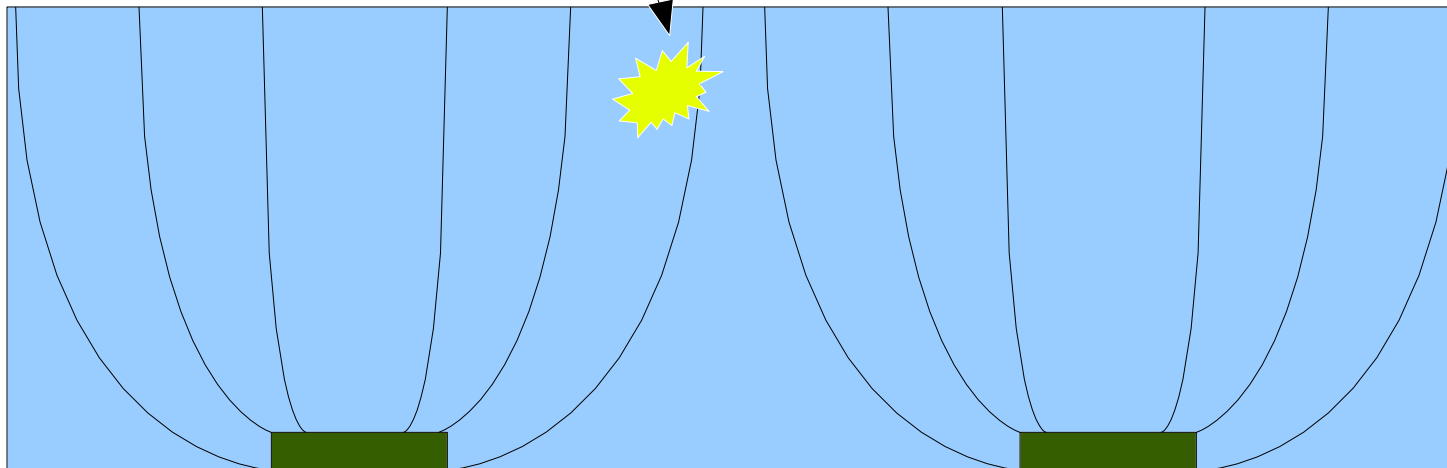
50 micron pitch, 25 keV



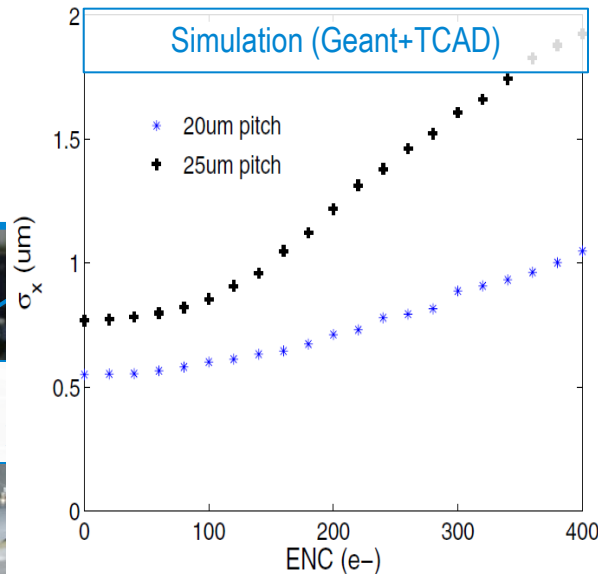
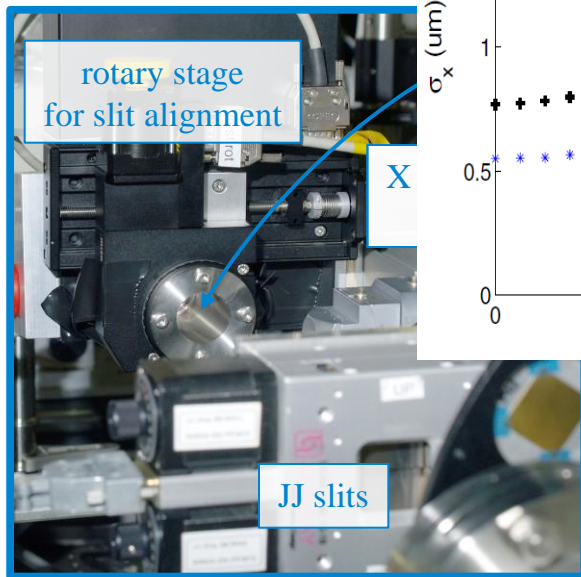
# Position dependent charge sharing



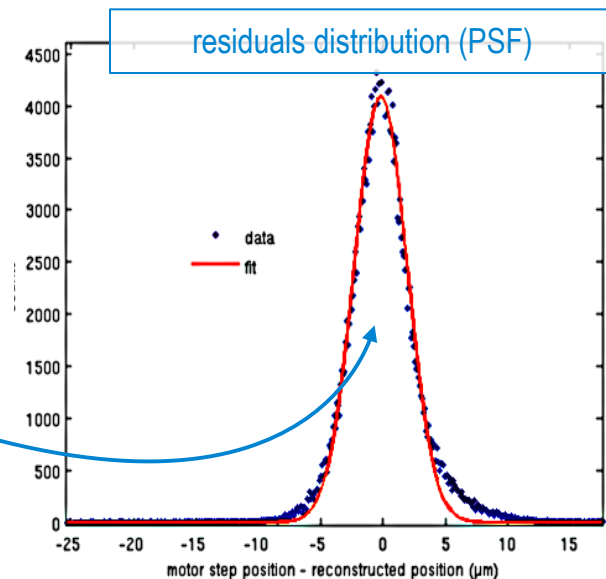
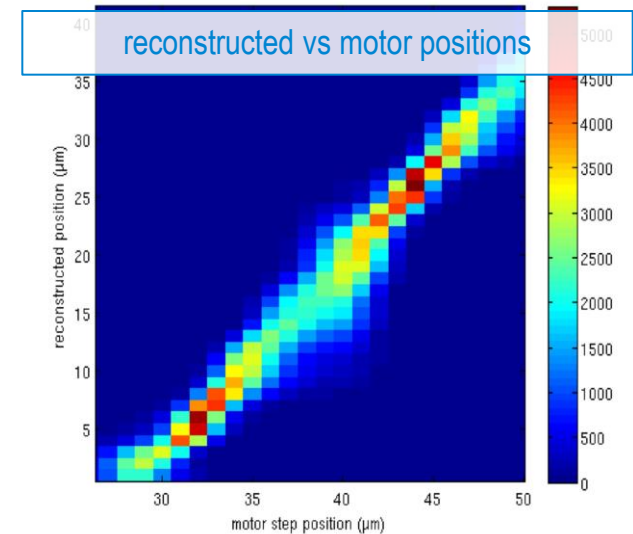
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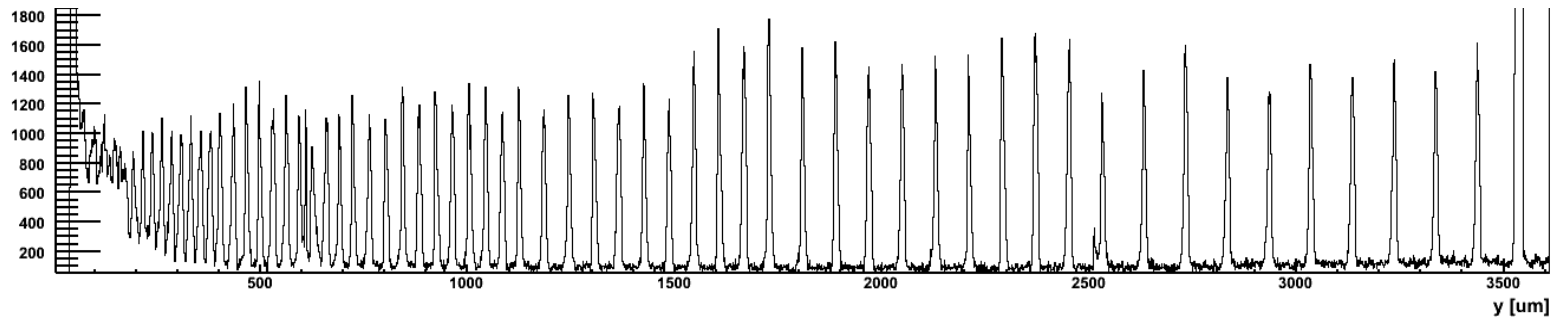
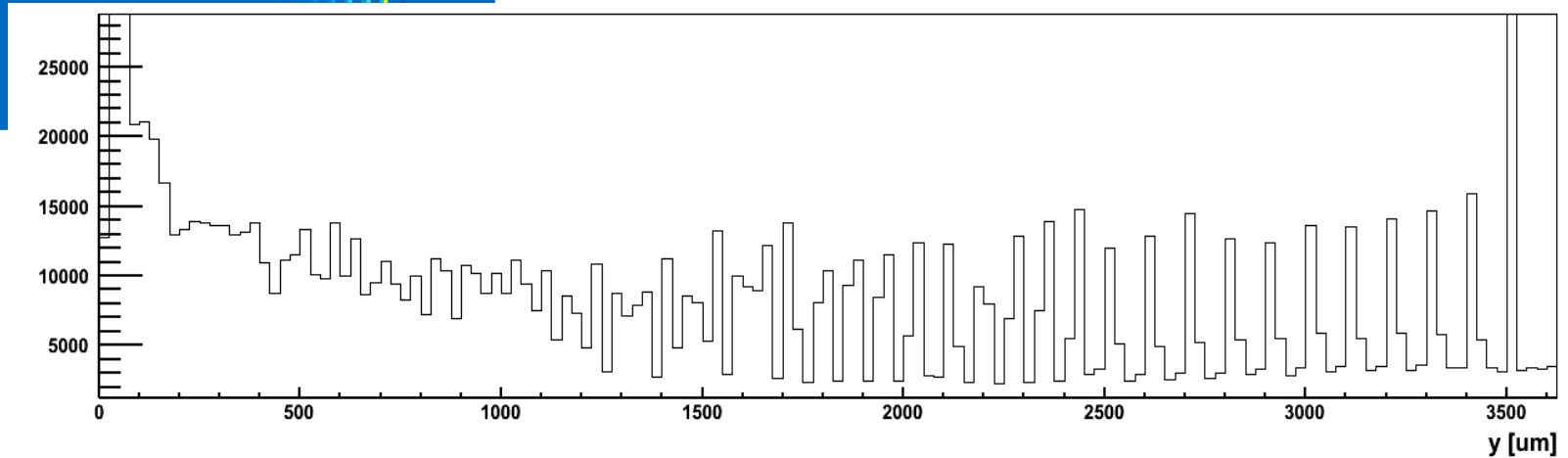
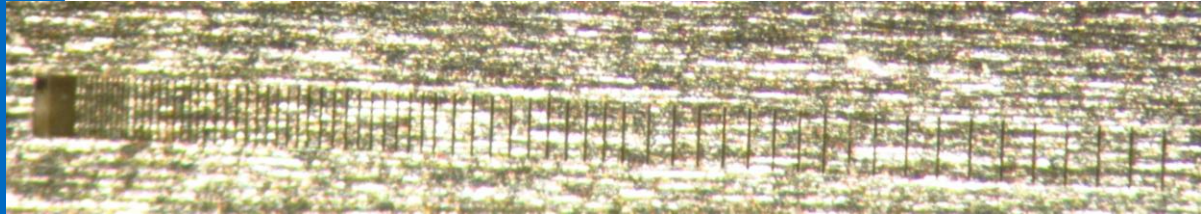
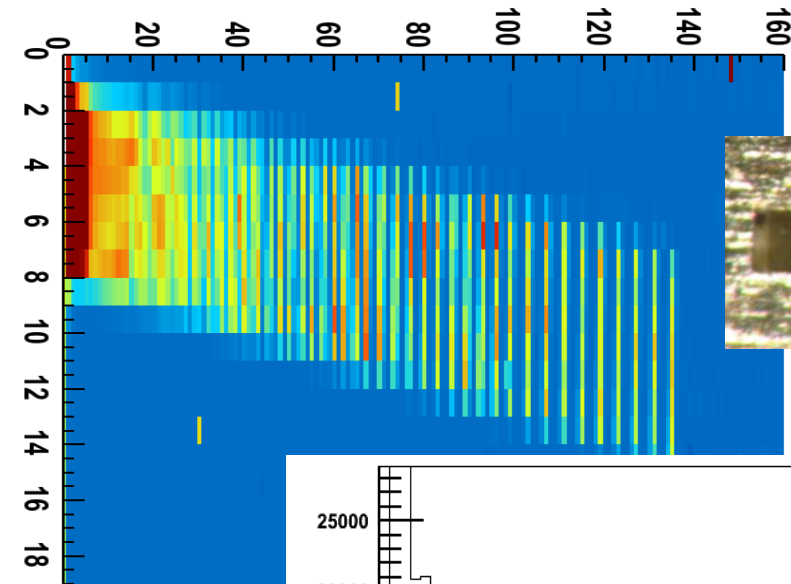


- To measure the spatial resolution a  $2\mu\text{m}$  W slit has been scanned in  $1\mu\text{m}$  steps in front of the strips
- slit parallel to strips
- Vertical beam size  $\sim 100\mu\text{m}$
- Strip pitch  $20\mu\text{m}$ ,  $15\text{keV}$



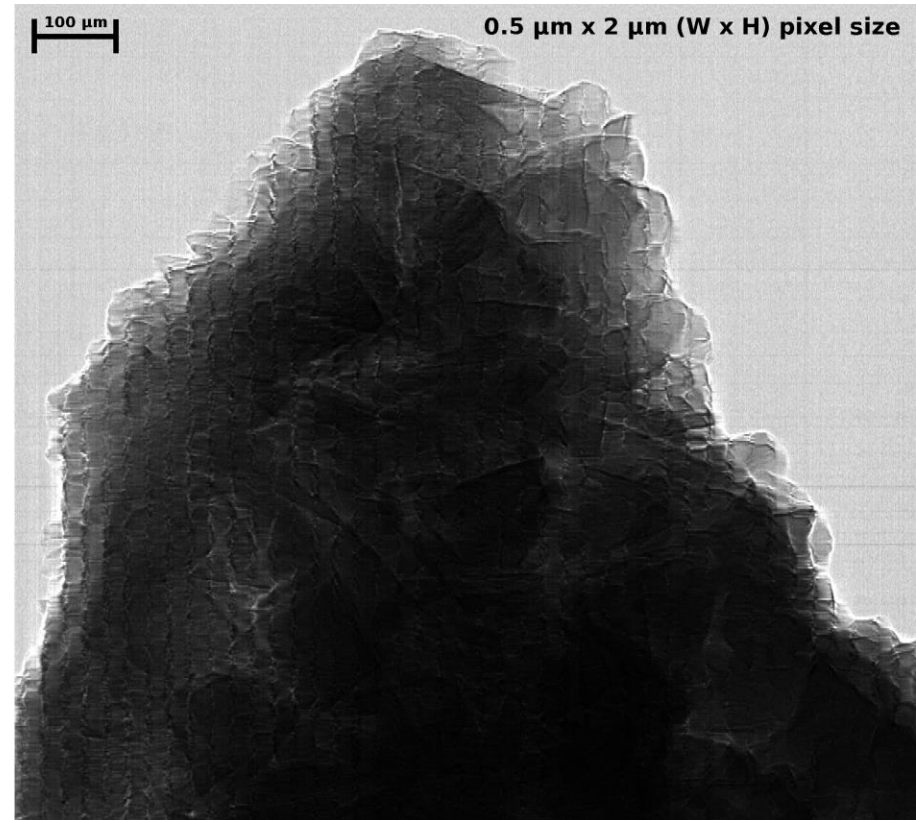
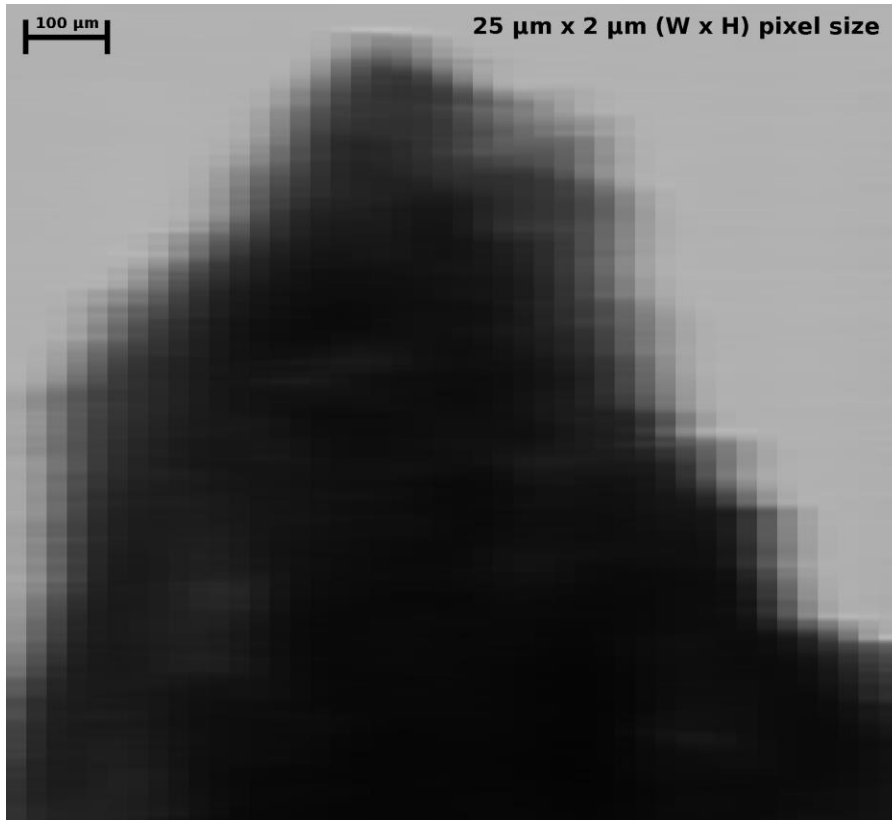
$\sigma = 1.8\mu\text{m}$







# Using interpolation for a high resolution measurement



X-ray radiography of a kidney stone obtained at 15keV at the TOMCAT beamline of SLS using Gotthard with 25 micron strips and interpolation (sample vertically scanned with a step size of 2  $\mu\text{m}$ )

Mythen and Pilatus have become the standard detectors in their field

A lot of developments are currently going on in the Synchrotron field

Medipix systems will finally find their way into Synchrotrons

Eiger will advance many techniques which are today limited by Pilatus (scanning SAX, PX,..)

The developments for XFELs are also very important for Synchrotrons

Jungfrau will be the main detector for SwissFEL and probably similarly important for synchrotrons

- almost no count rate limitations

Percival will be a big step towards low energies, will replace many of today's CCDs

Low energy ( $> 400\text{eV}$ ) hybrid pixel detectors are around the corner

Hybrid pixel detectors with small  $25\text{ }\mu\text{m}$  pixels are possible

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**Wir schaffen Wissen – heute für morgen**

**Thank you!**

