

Developments in Hard X-ray Optics – towards nm resolution

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Topics and Themes

- **Dave's connection to hard x-ray optics**
- **Why x-ray micro/nano beams**
- **The path to nm resolution**
- **Innovation and technological development**
- **Lensless imaging**
- **Extreme heat-resistant optics**

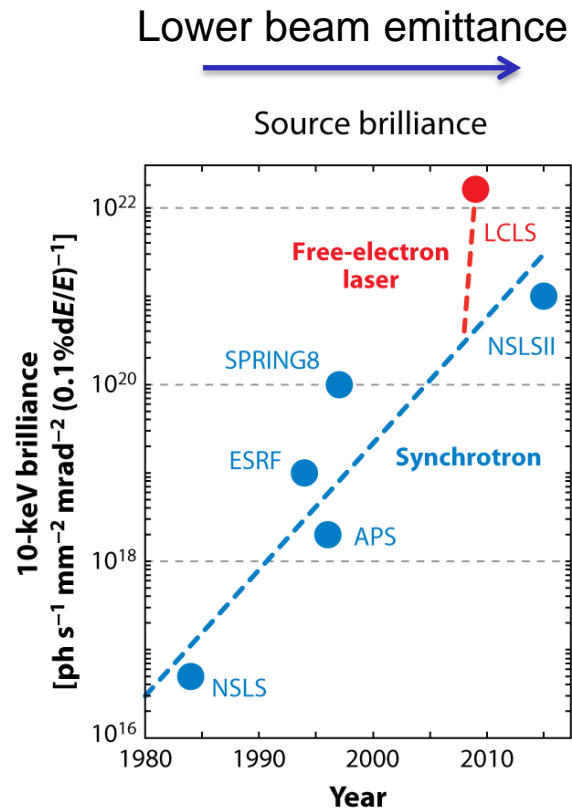
Why x-ray micro/nano beams

- **Short wavelength, 12.4 keV \rightarrow 1 Å**

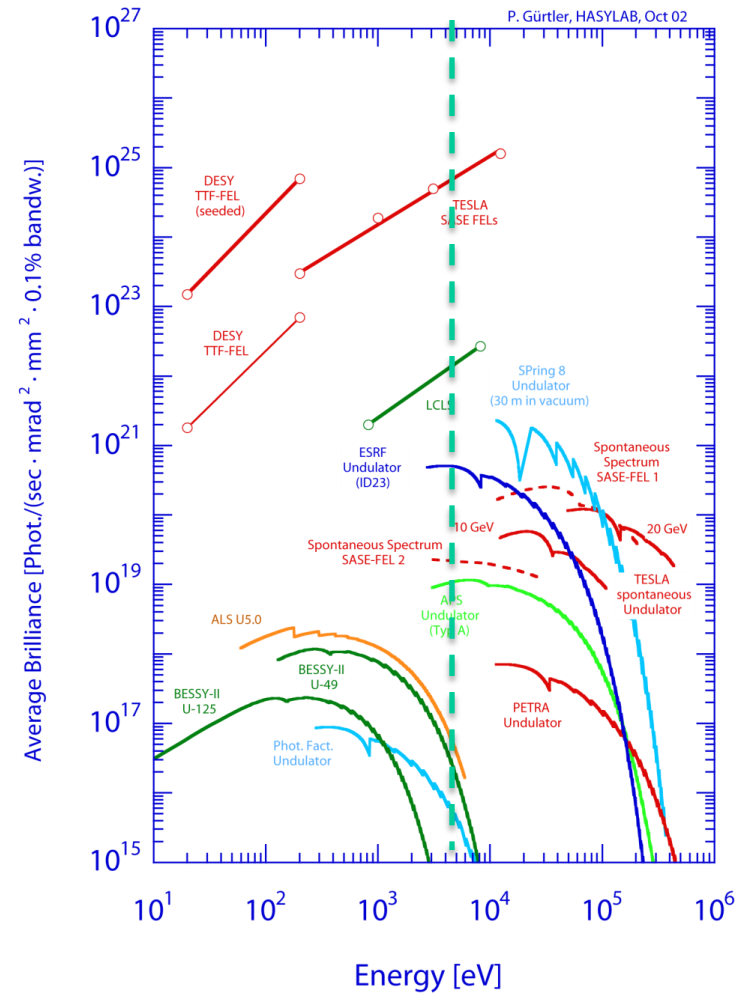
$$r = 1.22 \frac{\lambda f}{D}, \quad \frac{f}{D} \approx 10^2 - 10^3 \Rightarrow r = 10 - 100 \text{ nm}$$

- **Weakly interacting probe**
- **Sensitive to**
 - Structure
 - Elemental composition
 - Chemistry
- **Minimal sample preparation**
- **In-situ measurements**

Sources



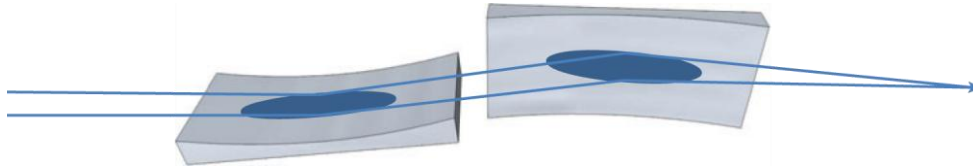
From Holt *et al.*, Annu. Rev. Mater. Res.. 2013, 43



Types of hard x-rays optics

Reflective

Kirkpatrick-Baez mirrors (1948)



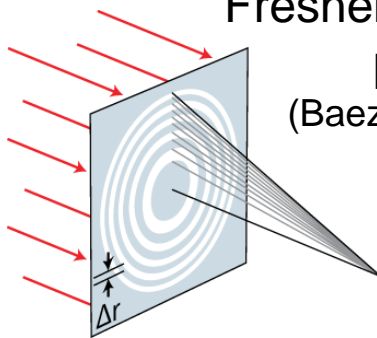
$$n = 1 - \delta + i\beta$$

$$\theta_{crit} = \sqrt{2\delta}$$

$$\delta \approx 10^{-5} \Rightarrow \theta_{crit} \approx 0.2^\circ$$

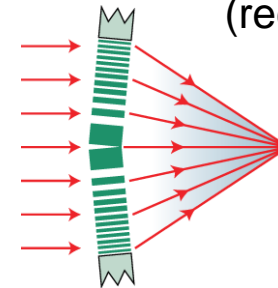
Diffractive

Fresnel zone plates
(Baez, 1961)



Outer zone aspect ratio
 $< \approx 30:1$

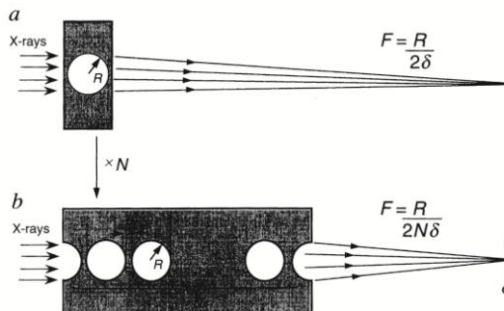
Multilayer Laue lens
(recently at Argonne)



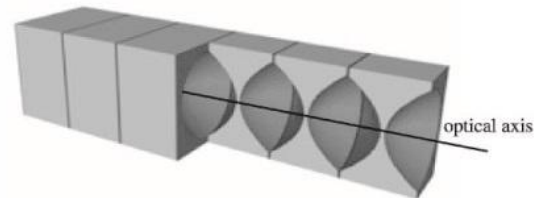
1D focusing

From Sakdinawat, Attwood, *Nat. Phot.* 4, 2010

Refractive



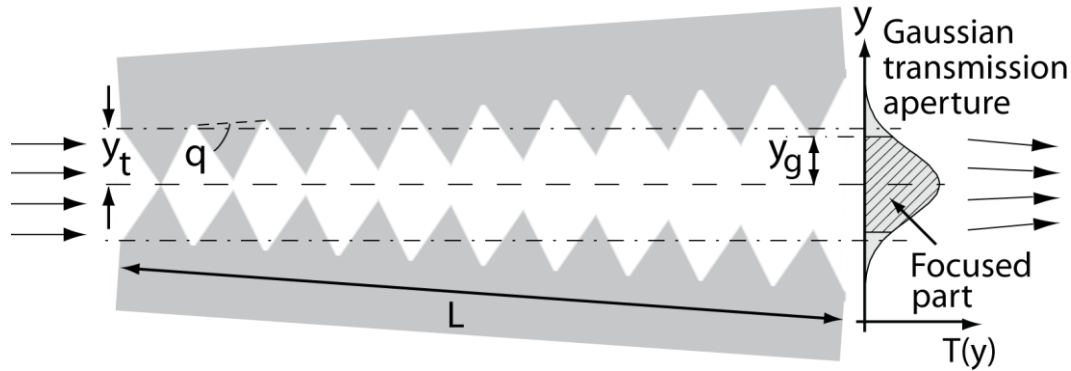
Compound refractive lens
(Tomie/Snigirev 1996)



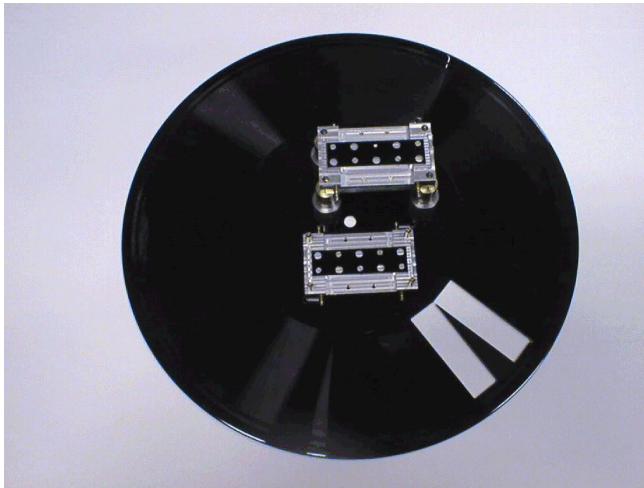
Parabolic (Lengeler, 1999)

From Snigirev et al, *Nature* 384, 1996

The Multi-Prism Lens



Vinyl LP lens



Cederström *et al.*, Nature 404, 2000

News & Analysis

Royal Institute of Technology and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory in Berkeley, Calif., had to press their own vinyl albums for their experiments because standard LP grooves were not deep enough.

Refractive focusing is inherently inexpensive and simple, Cederström said, because the demand on surface quality is much lower than it is for reflective and diffractive techniques. Add to that a technique that relies on cheap vinyl records, and "it is really a bargain," he said.

As noted in the team's report in the April 27 issue of *Nature*, the lens has a focal length of 22 cm for 23-keV x-rays. Because the relatively small lens restricts the beam's capture angle, it is best suited to microbeam applications, Cederström said. "It should be rather useful in synchrotron facilities, which produce this kind of beam," he said. "I think crystal diffraction experiments, where you need a low-divergence beam upon a small sample, is a promising application."

ILLUSTRATION BY GLENN

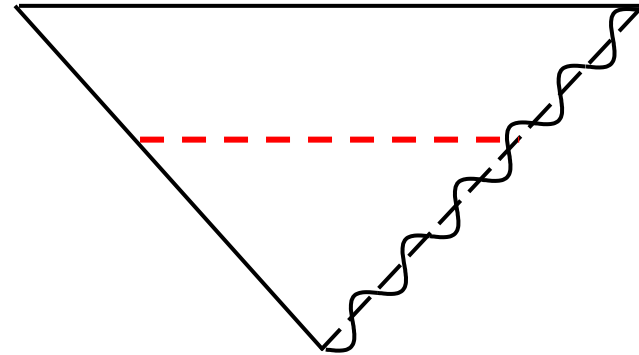
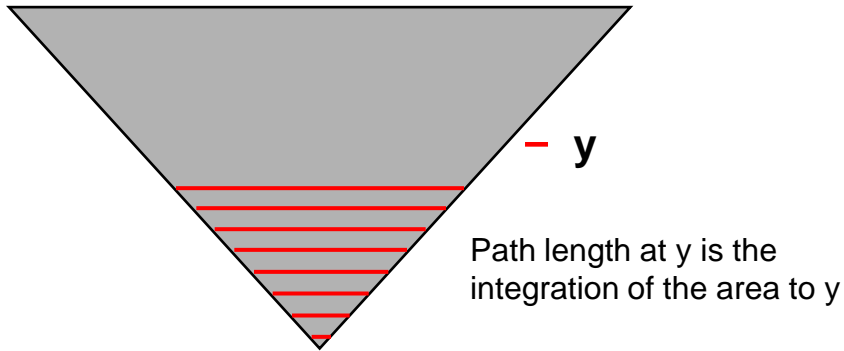
Old LPs Find New Use in X-Ray Optics

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — In trying to develop a cheap way to focus x-rays, perhaps it should be no surprise that researchers turned to German technopop group Kraftwerk for help. The scientists bought one of the band's albums to cut up and form into a sawtooth refractive lens.

Besides its low cost, the Kraftwerk album was chosen because of its very long songs, enabling the researchers to cut long sections with uniform grooves and no interruptions, said Björn Cederström, the physicist who came up with the idea. Ultimately, however, he and his colleagues at Sweden's

Tolerances

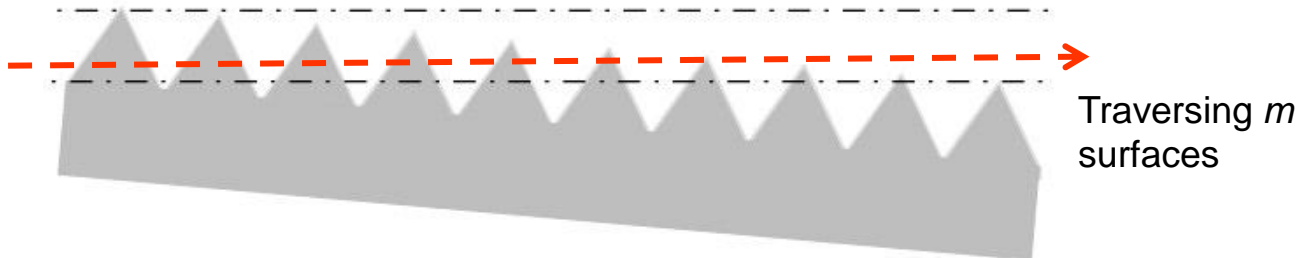
Insensitive to systematic figure errors



Insensitive to random surface errors

"Random walk"

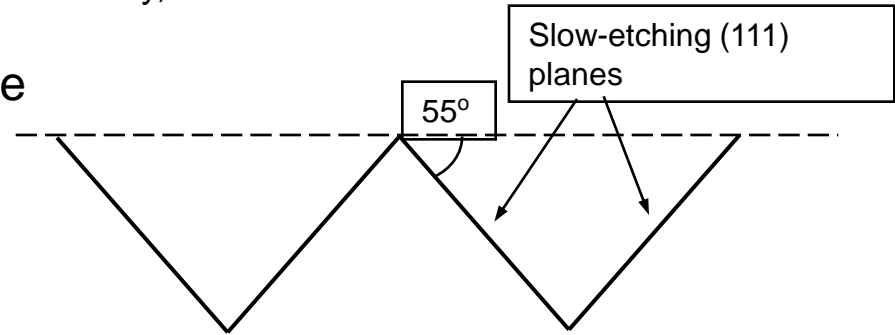
$$\text{Phase error: } \sigma_\phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{\sigma_x}{\sin \beta} \sqrt{m} \delta$$



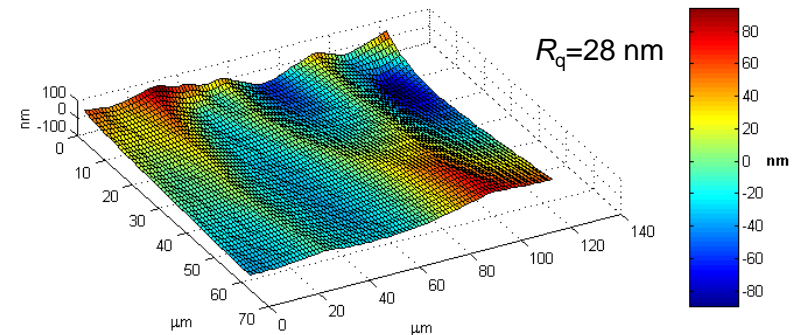
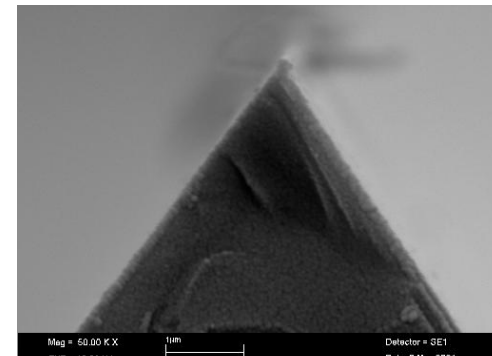
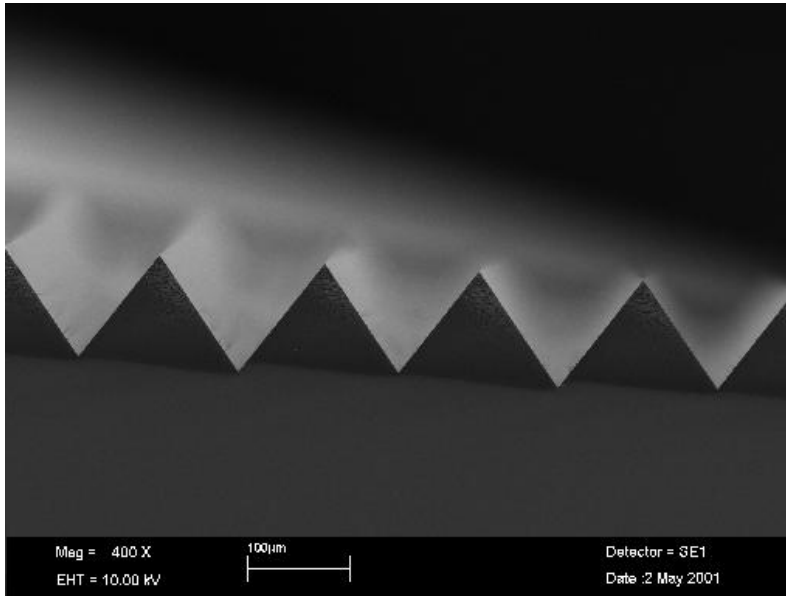
Anisotropic etching of Si lenses

Proposed by Carolina Ribbing, Uppsala University, Sweden

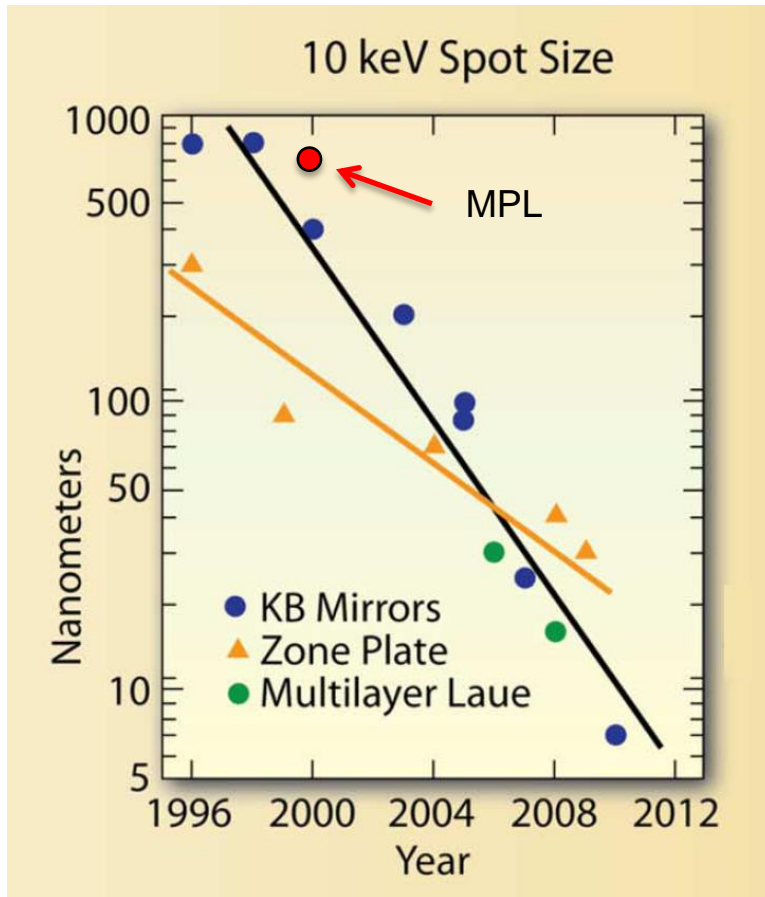
Silicon wafers (100) as substrate



SEM images

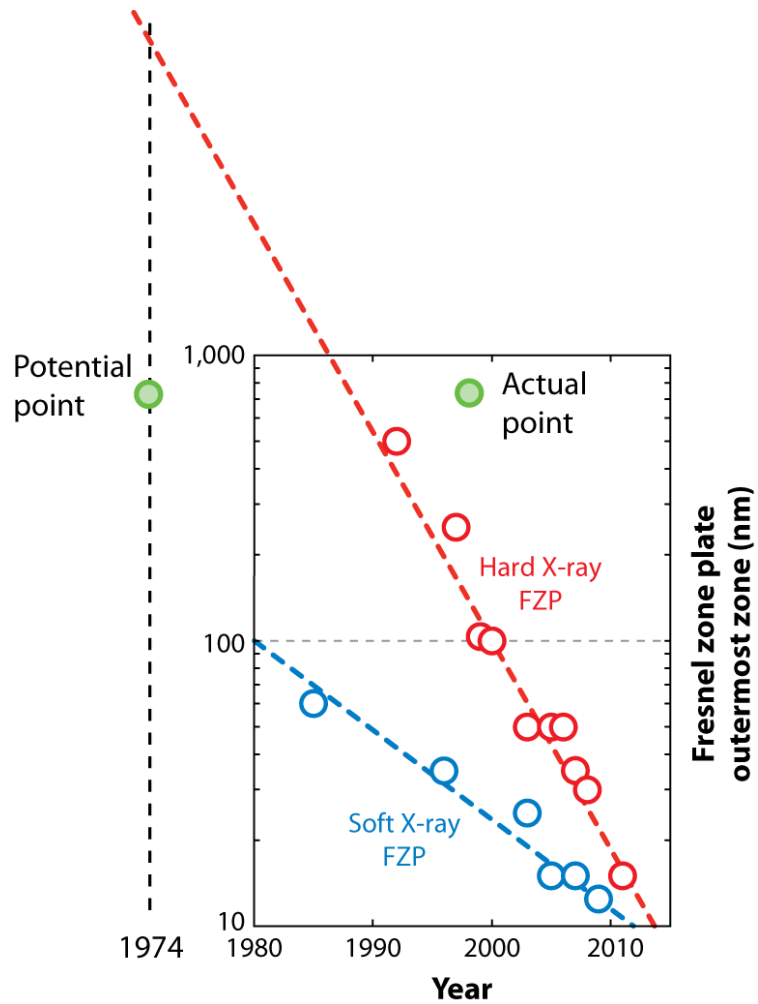


Achievable spot size vs. time



From Ice *et al.*, Science 334, 2011

Alternative historic scenario



Adapted from Holt *et al.*, *Annu. Rev. Mater. Res.* 2013, 43

Lenless coherent x-ray imaging

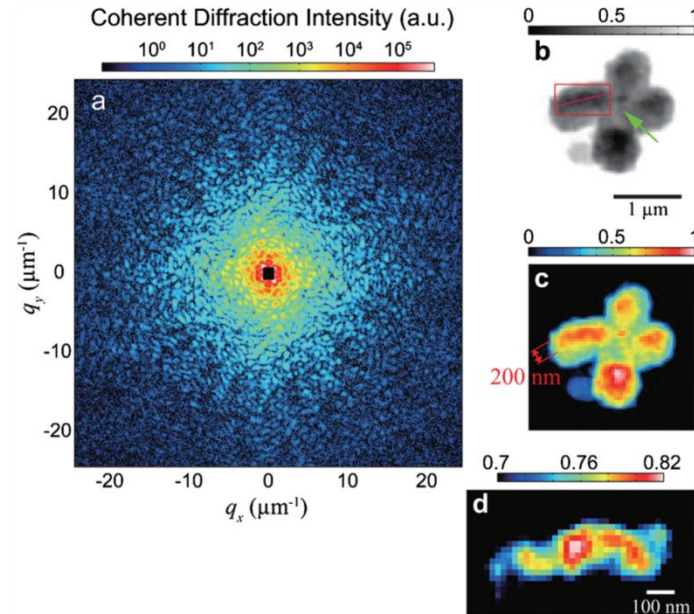
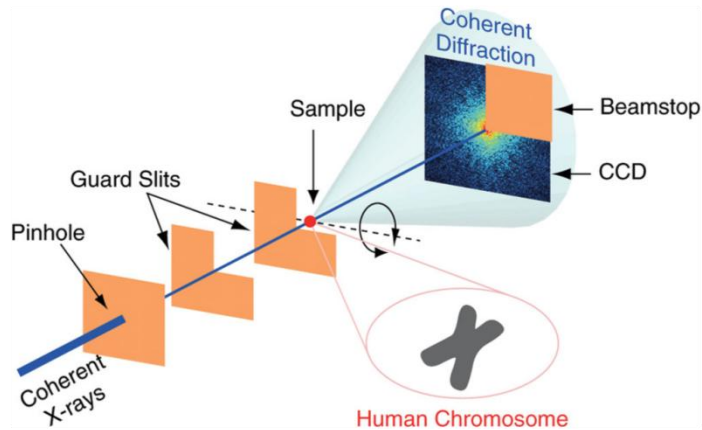
Idea from Sayre, 1952

Nishino *et al.* at Spring-8

PRL 102, 018101 (2009)

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Complex way-field at object exit can be retrieved

5-keV x-rays

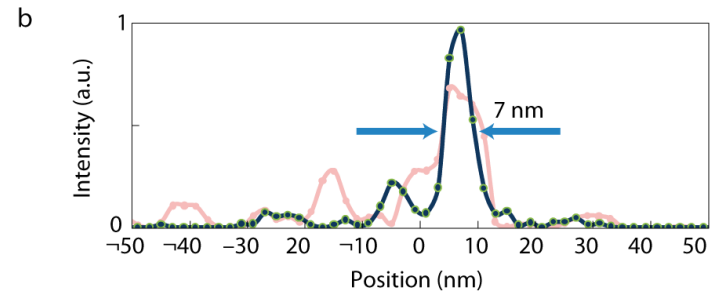
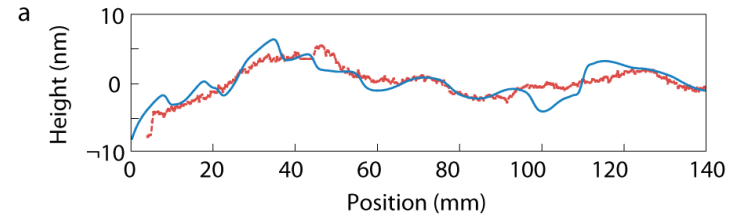
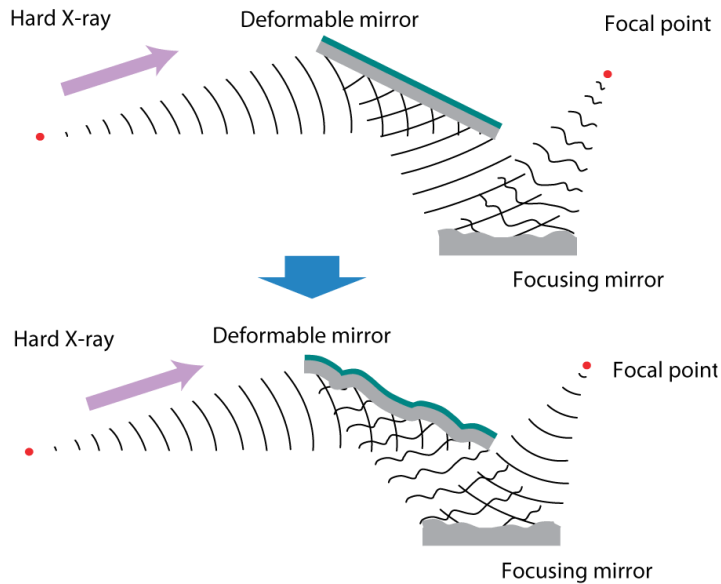
Phase-contrast

Dose = 2×10^{10} Gy for 3D acquisition

Recent progress in KB mirrors

Mimura *et al.*, Nature Phys. 6, 2009

In situ wavefront correction

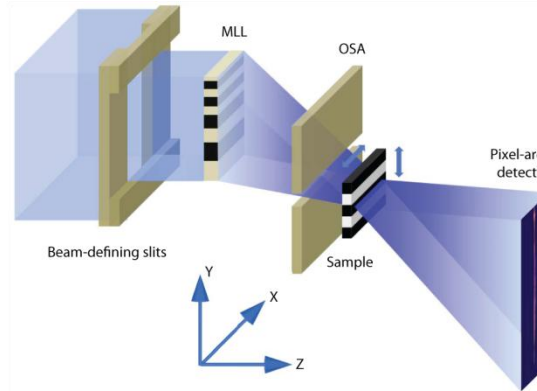
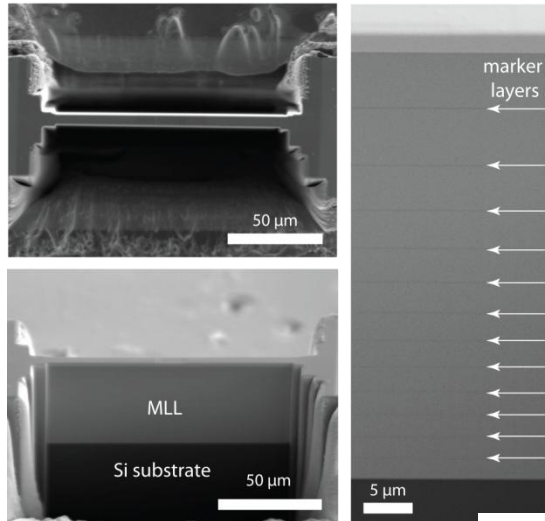


Mirror substrate shaped by elastic emission machining (EEM)
 (Mori, Yamauchi, Endo (1987))

Interferometry

Recent progress in MLL lenses

Huang *et al.*, Scientific Reports 3, 2013

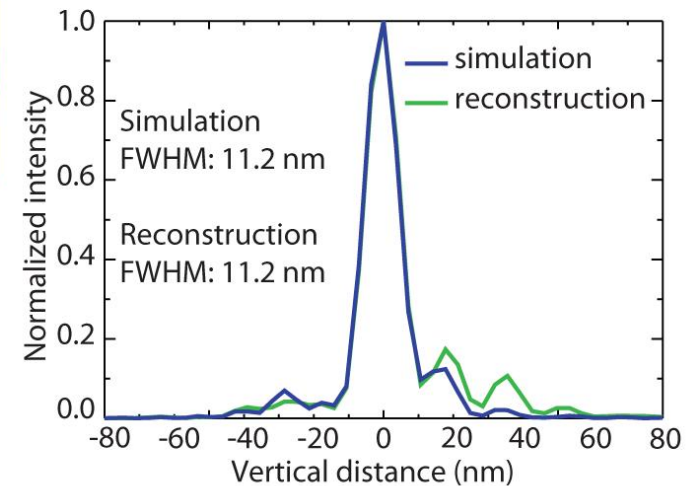
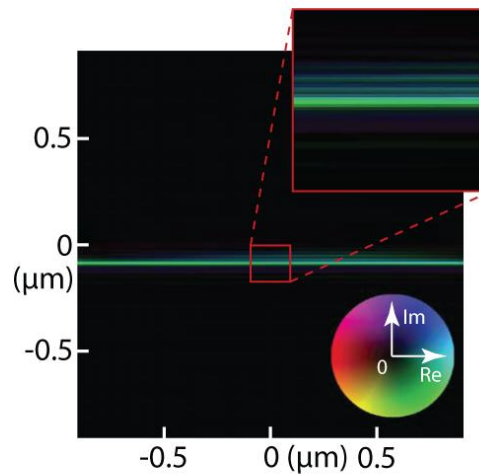


43 μm aperture
 4 nm outermost zone width
 6 μm thick
 12 keV

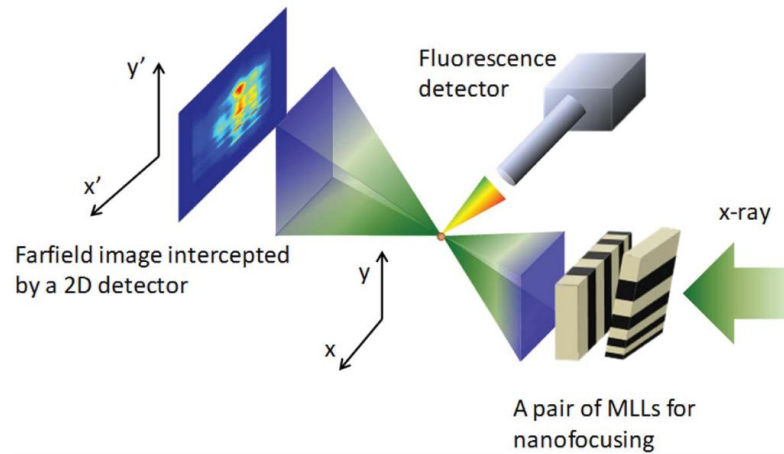
Magnetron sputtering

FIB milling

6510 layers of Si/WSi₂



Application of MLL lenses



APS + NSLS

Yan *et al.*, Scientific reports 3, 2013

Cermet anode in fuel cell

<50 nm resolution

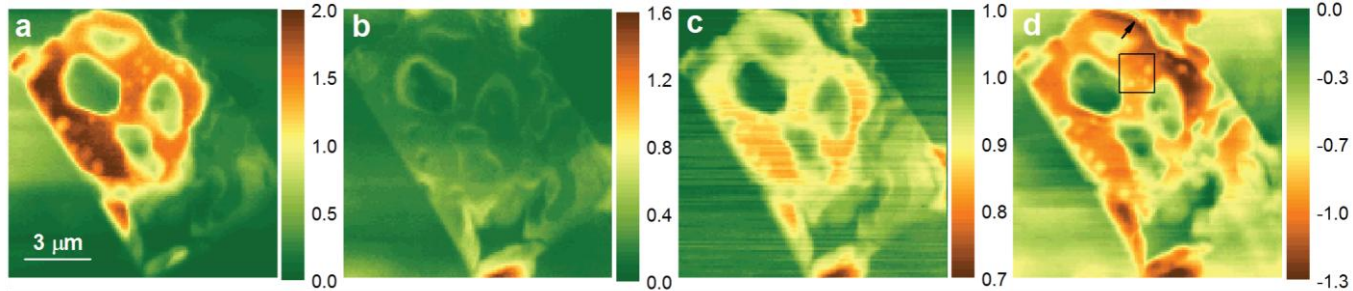
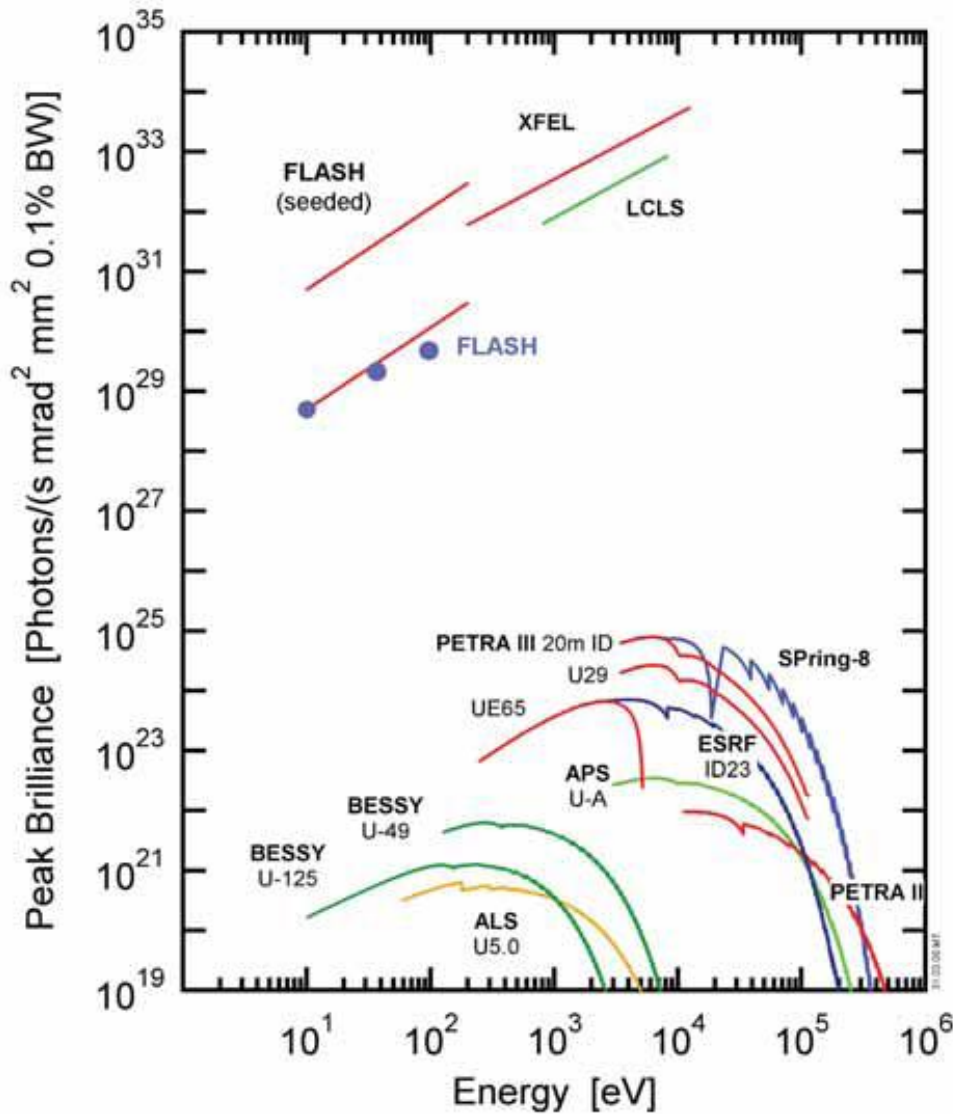


Figure 3 | Ni K α fluorescence (a), Pt L α fluorescence (b), x-ray transmission (c) and reconstructed phase (d) images (units in radian) of the SOFC sample shown in Fig. 2. The arrow in (d) points to a crack, which is barely seen in (a), (b) and (c). A zoom-in image of the rectangle area in (d) with a high resolution can be found in the supplementary material.

XFELs compared to 3rd gen. synchrotrons



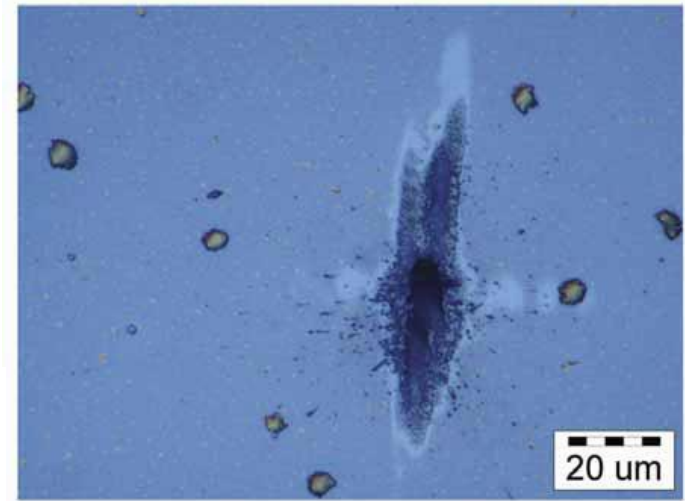
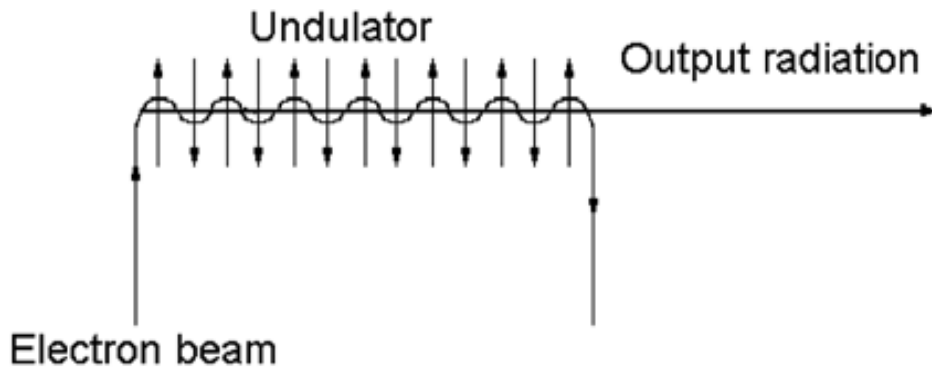
Peak brilliance:
 x10⁸ higher than
 synchrotrons

XFEL extreme power beams

Based on SASE principle (self-amplified spontaneous emission)
 ≈ 200 m long undulator

\Rightarrow Coherent x-ray pulses, < 100 fs

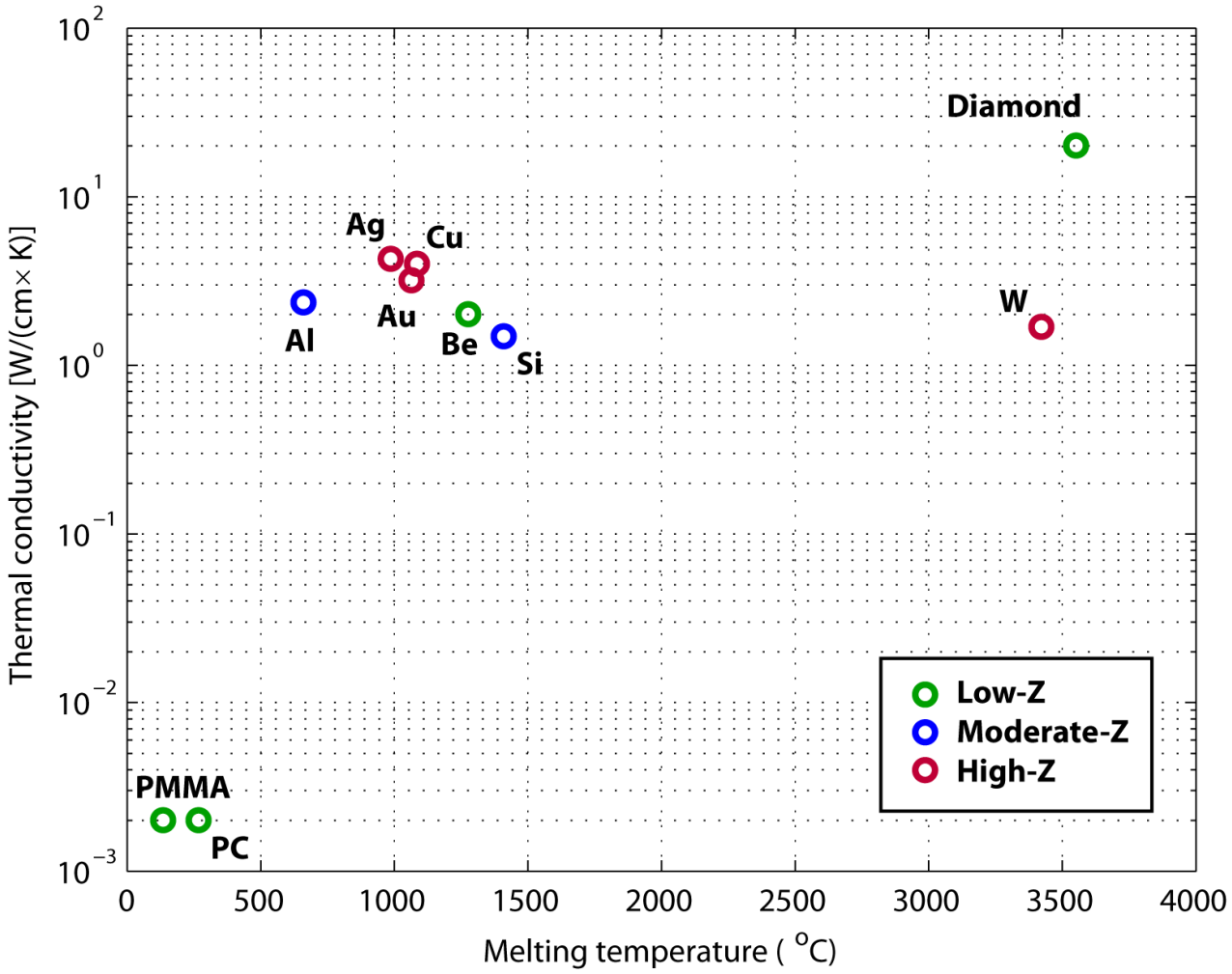
$$\lambda_{\min} = 1 \text{ \AA} \Rightarrow E_{\max} = 12.4 \text{ keV}$$



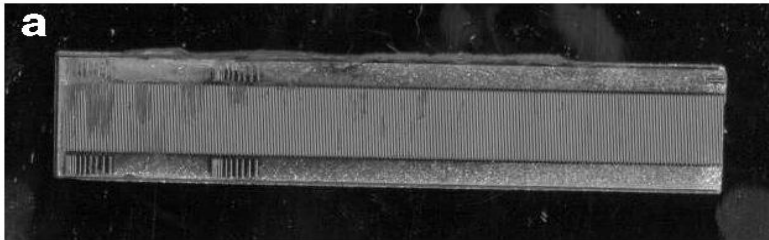
Ablation of gold target, VUV radiation
 L. Juha *et al*, NIM A (2003)

	Peak	Average
X-ray beam power	24 GW	72 W
X-ray beam intensity	10^{14} W/cm ²	100 kW/cm ²

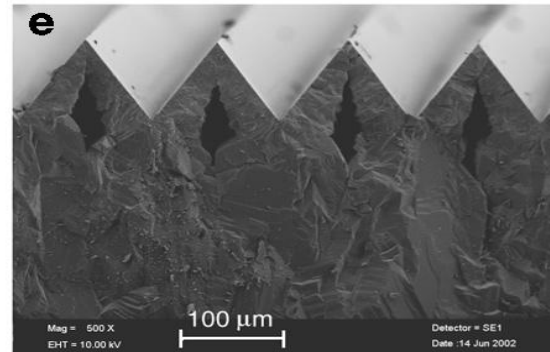
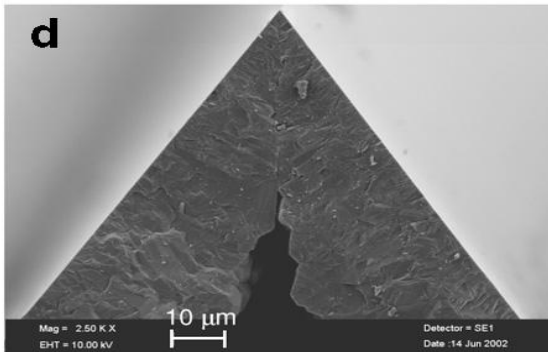
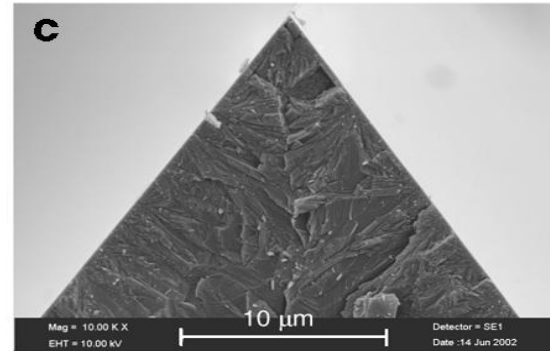
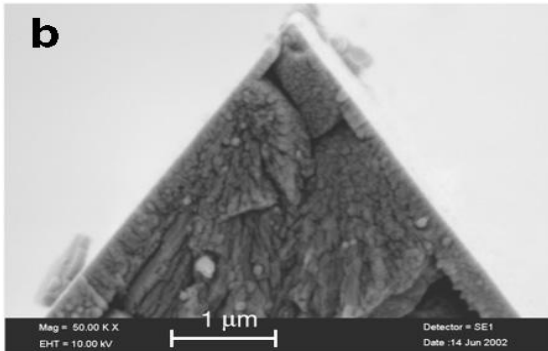
Thermal properties of materials



First diamond lens, CVDD on structured surface



C. Ribbing,
B. Cederström
(2000)

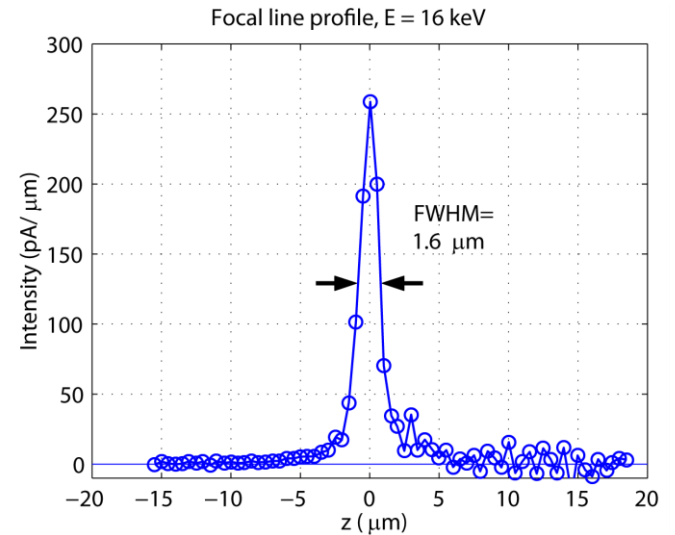
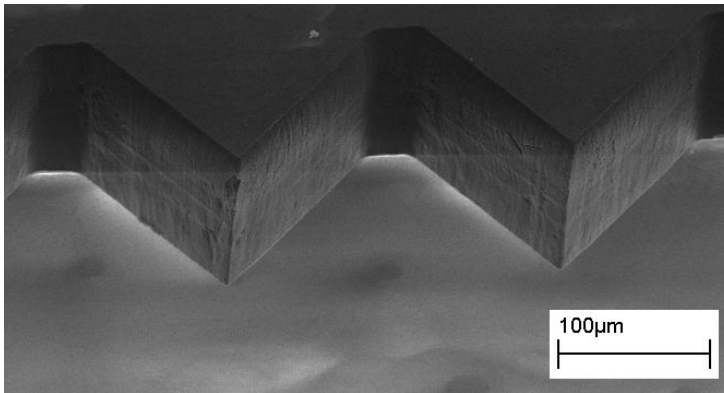


Laser-cut diamond MPL

100 μm CVD diamond wafer

Nd:YAG laser, 10 μm cutting width

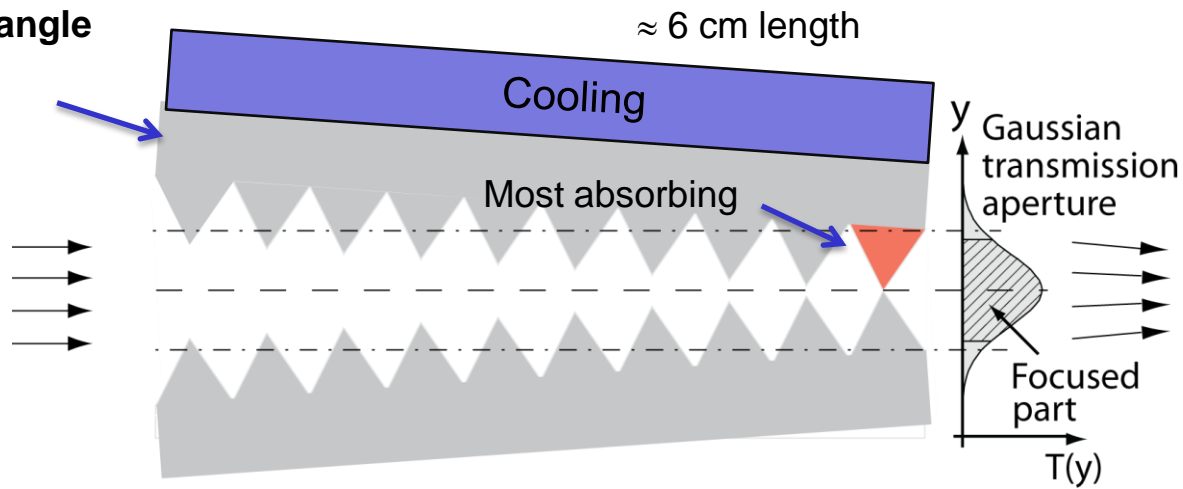
B. Cederström, C. Ribbing (2001)
in collaboration with Christoph Wild,
Fraunhofer Inst.



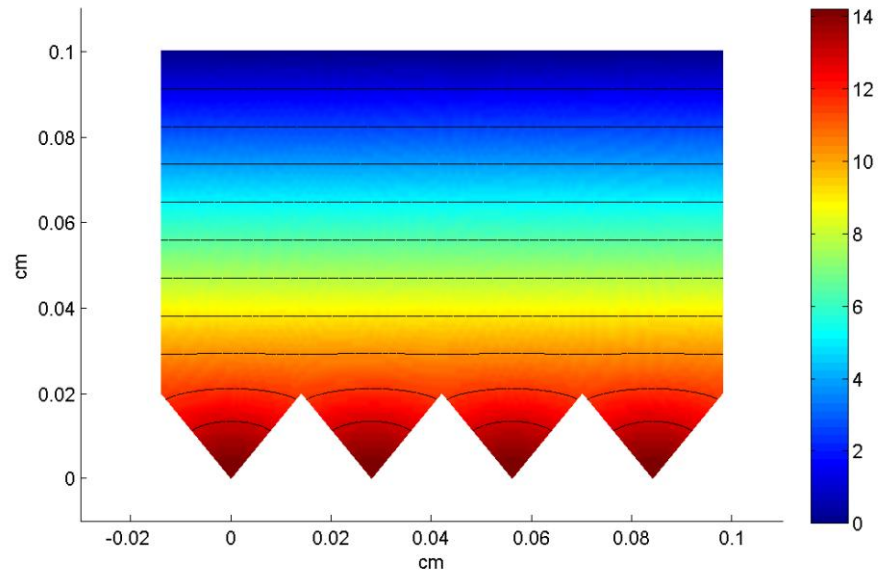
0.7 μm expected from theory

Heat absorption

Very small inclination
 angle



Diamond lens: steady-state solution



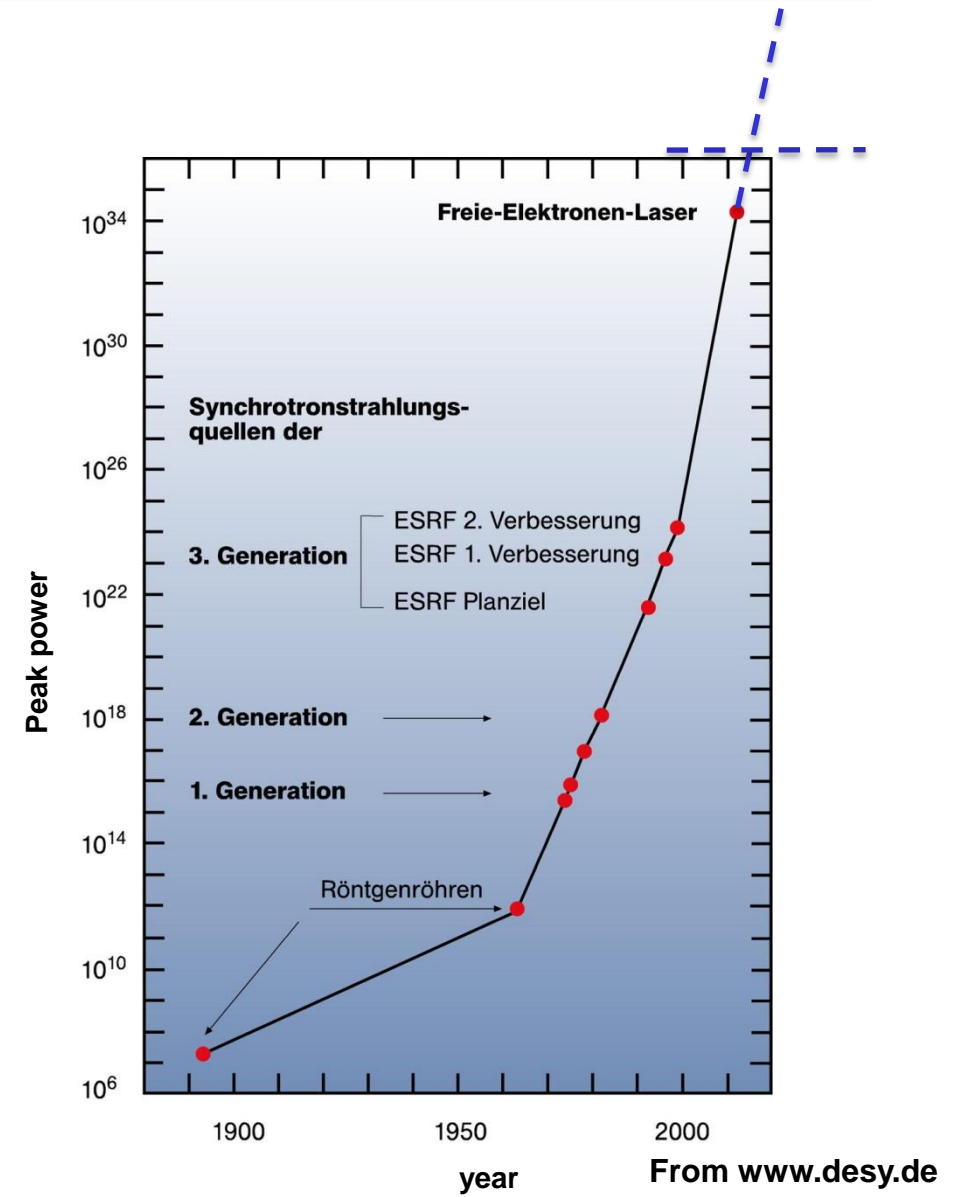
Extrame heal-load optics - conclusions

First laser-ablated diamond lenses showed promising focusing performance

For refractive optics in XFELs, Be and Diamond only feasible materials

For diamond $\approx 100x$ margin

Diamond-based FZPs
(C. David, PSI; group of H. Hertz, Stockholm)



Summar and Conclusions

- **X-ray microscopy/imaging offers unique possibilities**
- **Hard x-ray resolution approaching the 1-nm limit**
- **Enabled by**
 - development in sources and progress in micro-/nano-fabrication
 - new methods for wave-field retrieval
- **Extreme flux and heat load on optics and specimens with new XFEO sources is a new challenge**
- **The future for hard x-ray microscopic imaging is bright**