

# Absolute calibration of X-ray detectors at low energies

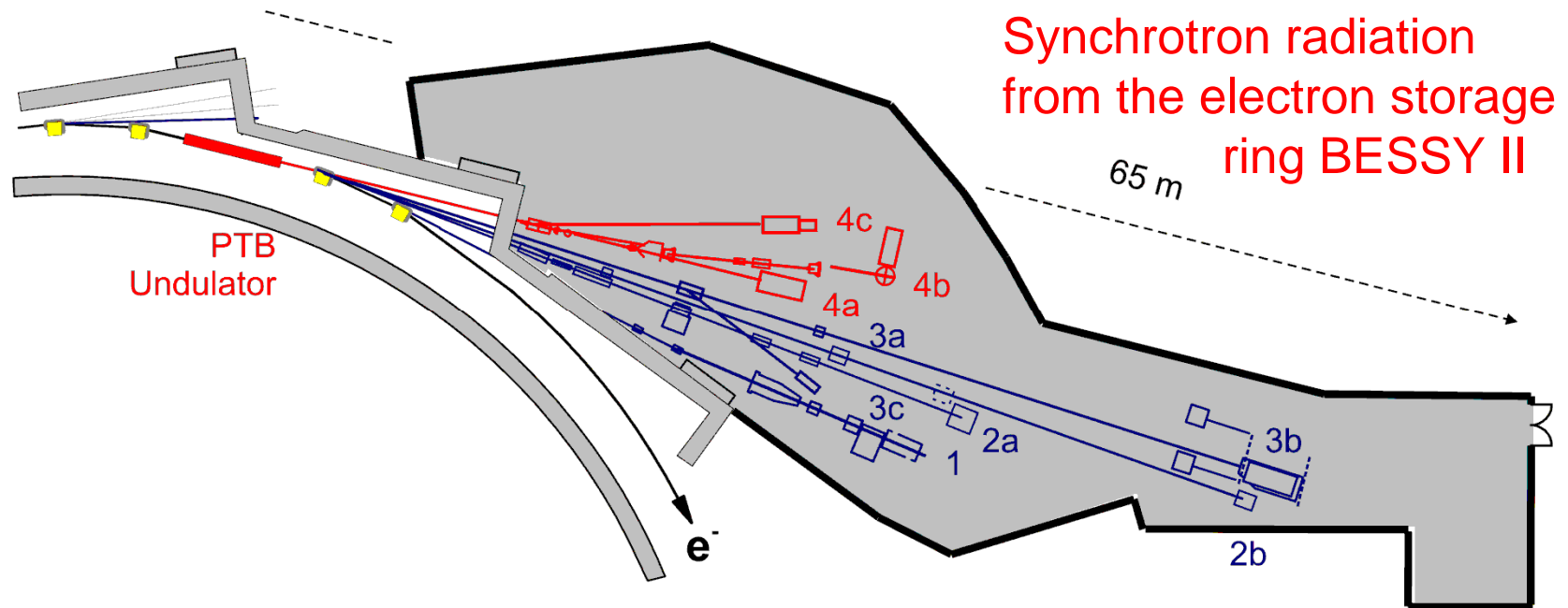
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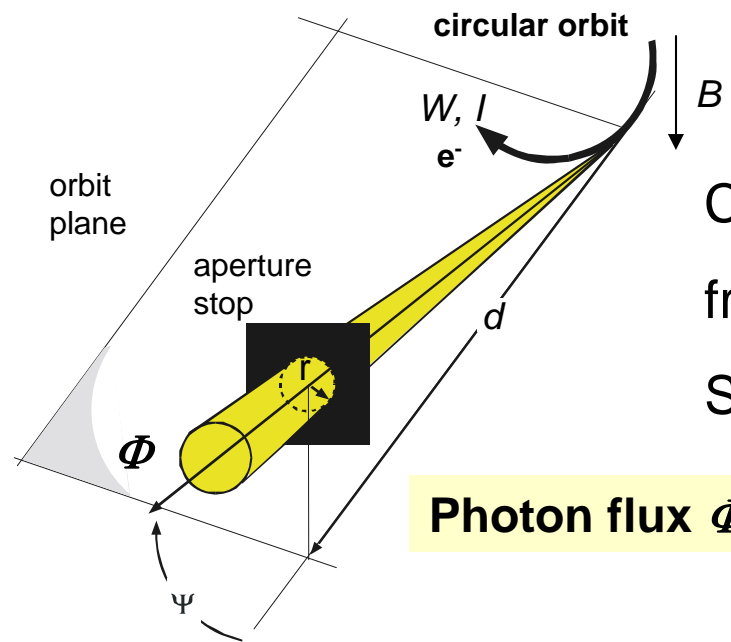


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1	plane grating monochromator SX700 30 eV to 1800 eV		
2a	<b>four-crystal monochromator</b> 1.75 keV to 10 keV (0.7 nm to 0.1 nm)	3c	deflected undispersed bending magnet radiation, EUV irradiation test station
2b	X-ray pencil beam facility (XPBF), astrophysics optics characterization	4a	undispersed undulator radiation Compton backscattering
3a	<b>undispersed bending magnet radiation</b>	4b	plane grating monochromator (PGM) at undulator, 40 eV to 1900 eV (30 nm to 0.65 nm)
3b	normal incidence monochromator 3 eV to 35 eV	4c	deflected undispersed undulator radiation EUVL metrology test station

# Electron storage rings as primary source standards



Calculable synchrotron radiation  
from bending magnets,  
Schwinger theory

**Photon flux  $\Phi = \Phi (W, I, B, \Sigma_y, d, r, \psi)$**

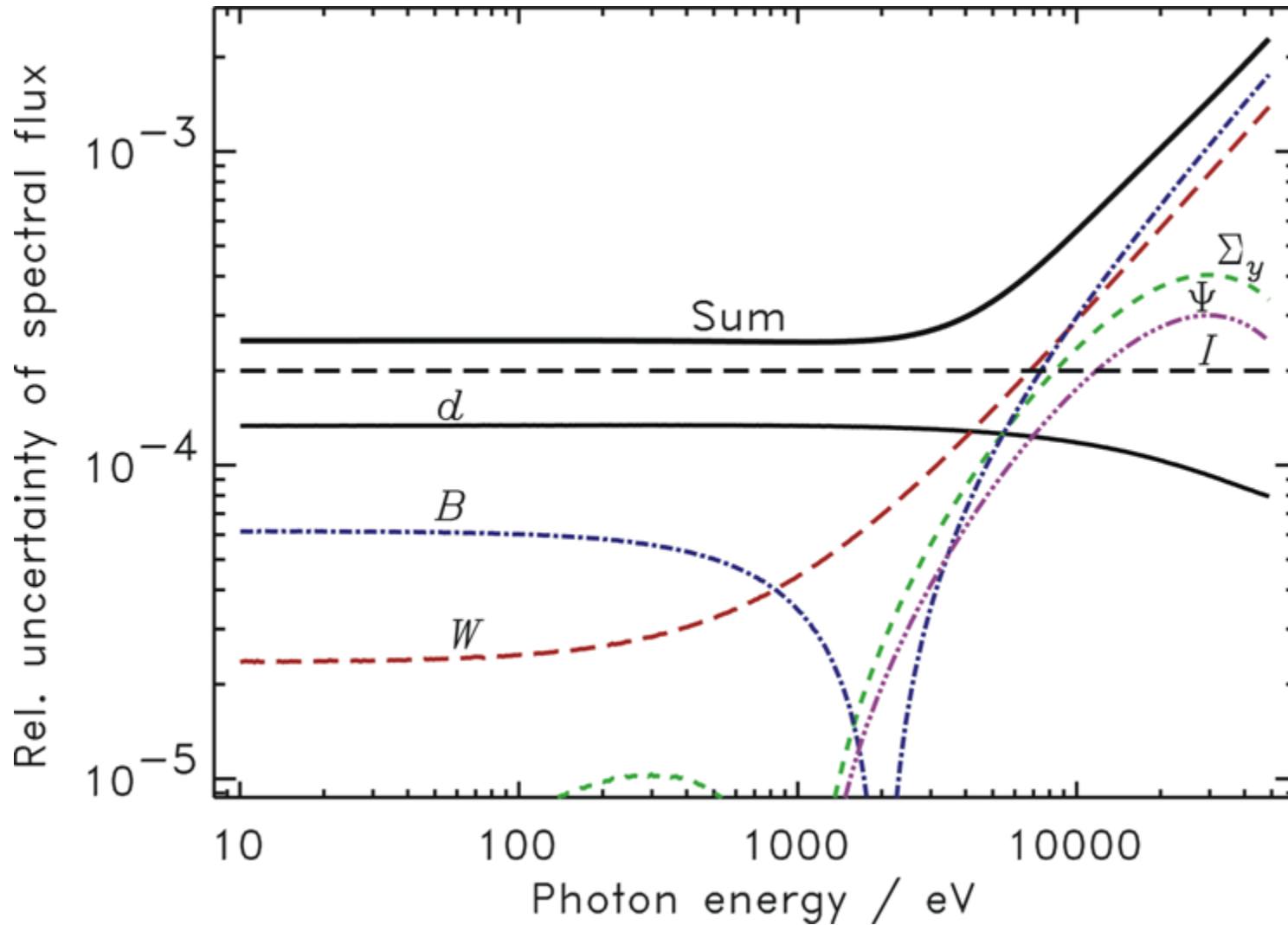
- **electron beam and storage ring parameters**

- $W$  electron beam energy
- $I$  electron current
- $B$  magnetic induction
- $\Sigma_y$  vertical extension and divergence of the beam

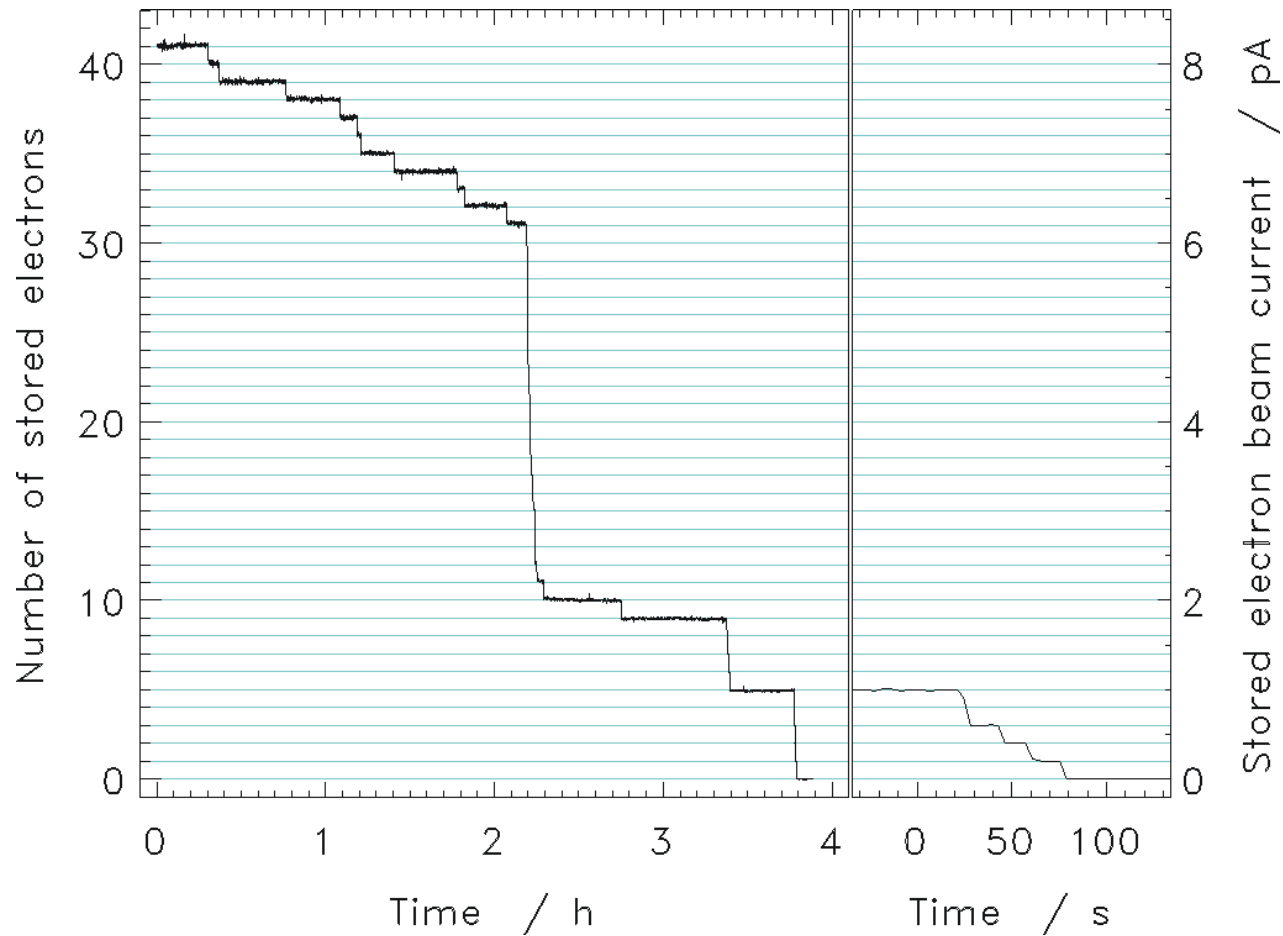
- **geometrical quantities**

- $d$  distance
- $r$  radius of aperture
- $\psi$  emission angle

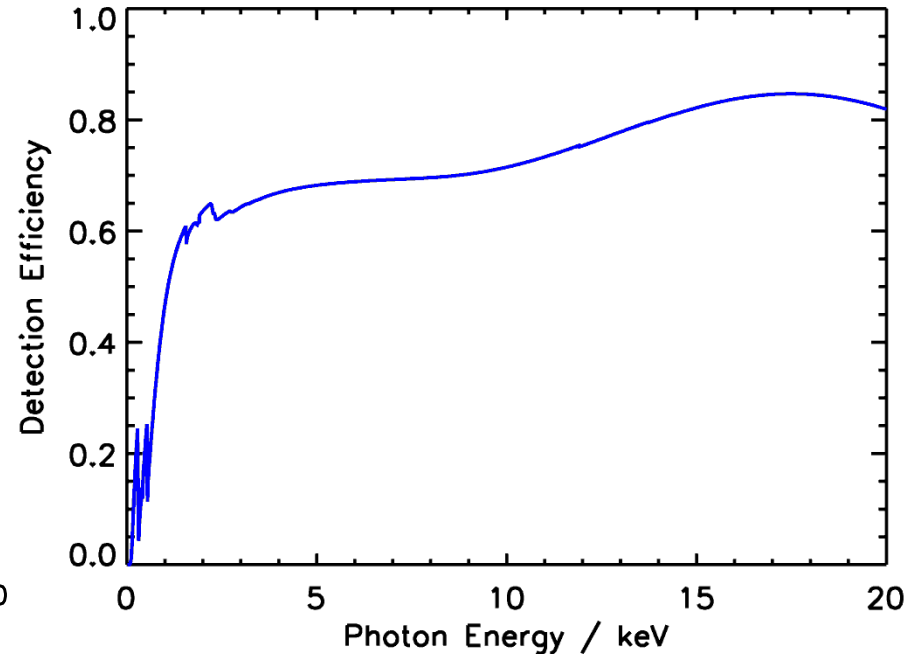
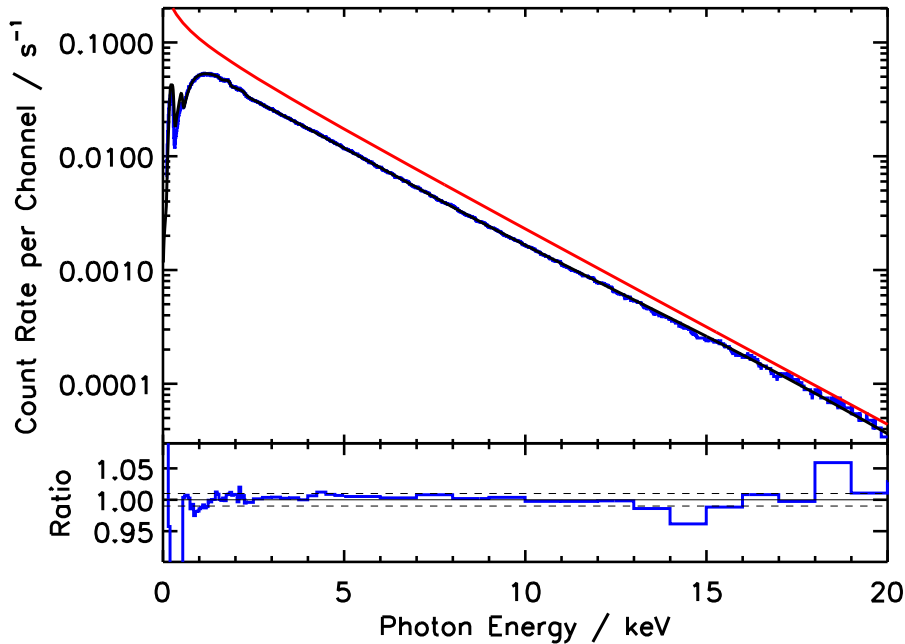
# Relative uncertainty at BESSY II bending magnet



# BESSY II operation with few stored electrons



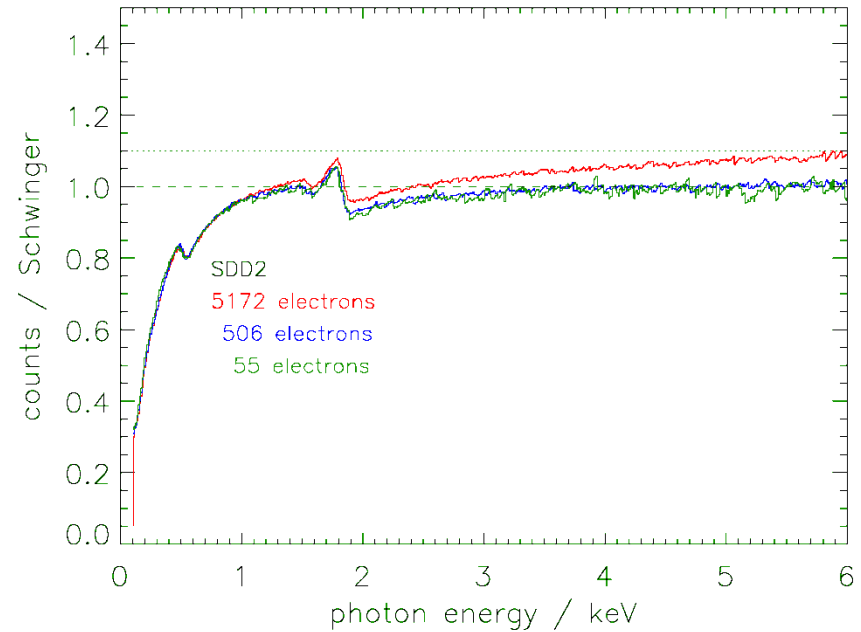
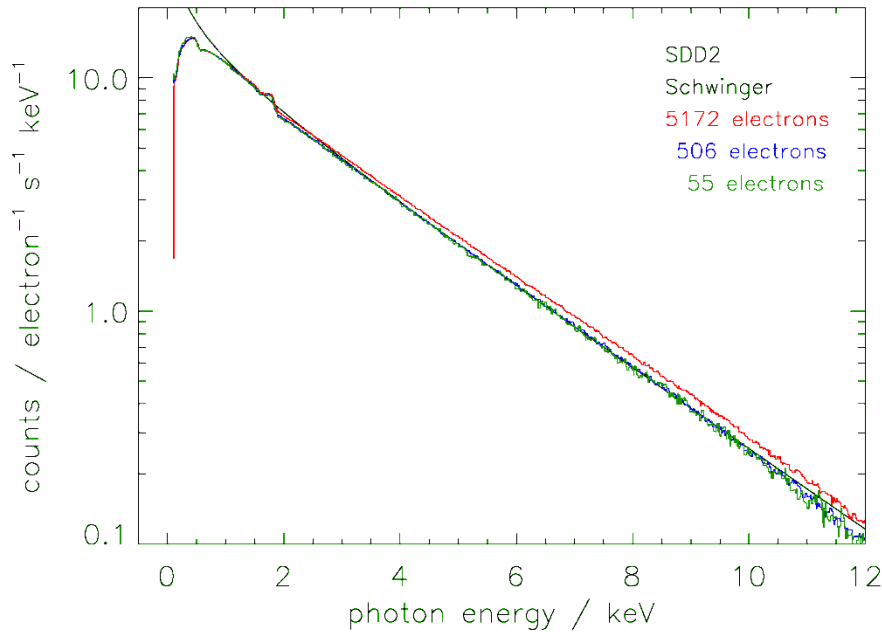
# Calibration of a Si(Li) detector



Calculated:  
BESSY II bending magnet radiation  
incl. detection efficiency  
measured spectrum

MOXTEK window  
containing Al, O, C, N  
Si support grid

# Calibration of a silicon drift detector (SDD)



Calculated BESSY II bending magnet radiation

Windowless SDD

measured spectra for different cont rates:

Quantum efficiency close to unity

1 kHz 10 kHz 100 kHz

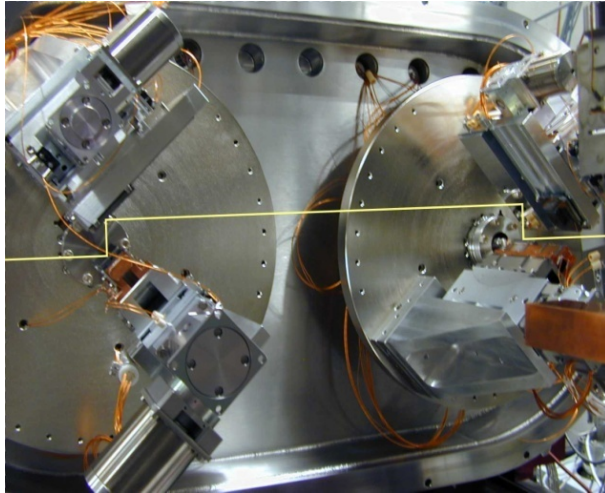


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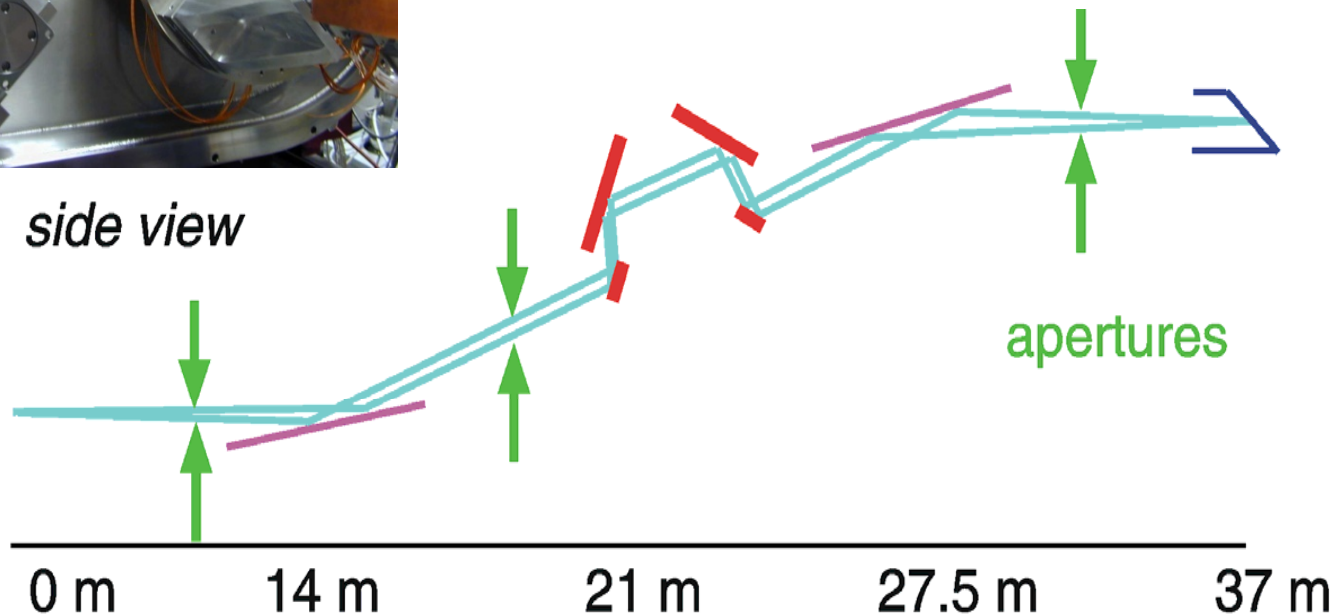
Detector calibration against a **primary detector standard** requires:

- Monochromatic radiation of high spectral purity, available e.g. in the range from 1.75 keV to 10 keV at the **four-crystal monochromator beamline**
- A primary detector standard to determine the radiant power with low uncertainty:  
**cryogenic electrical substitution radiometer**

# PTB four-crystal monochromator beamline



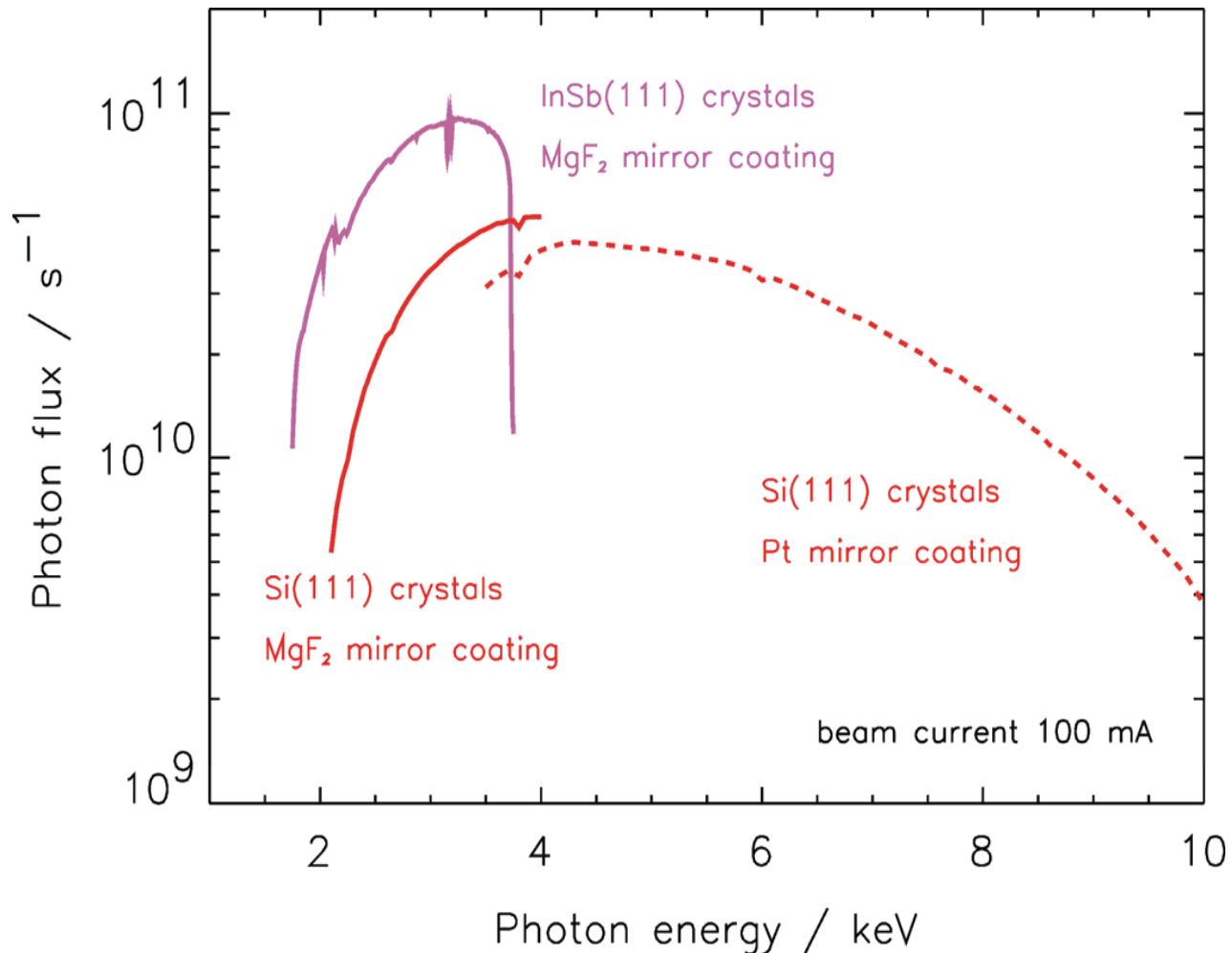
*side view*



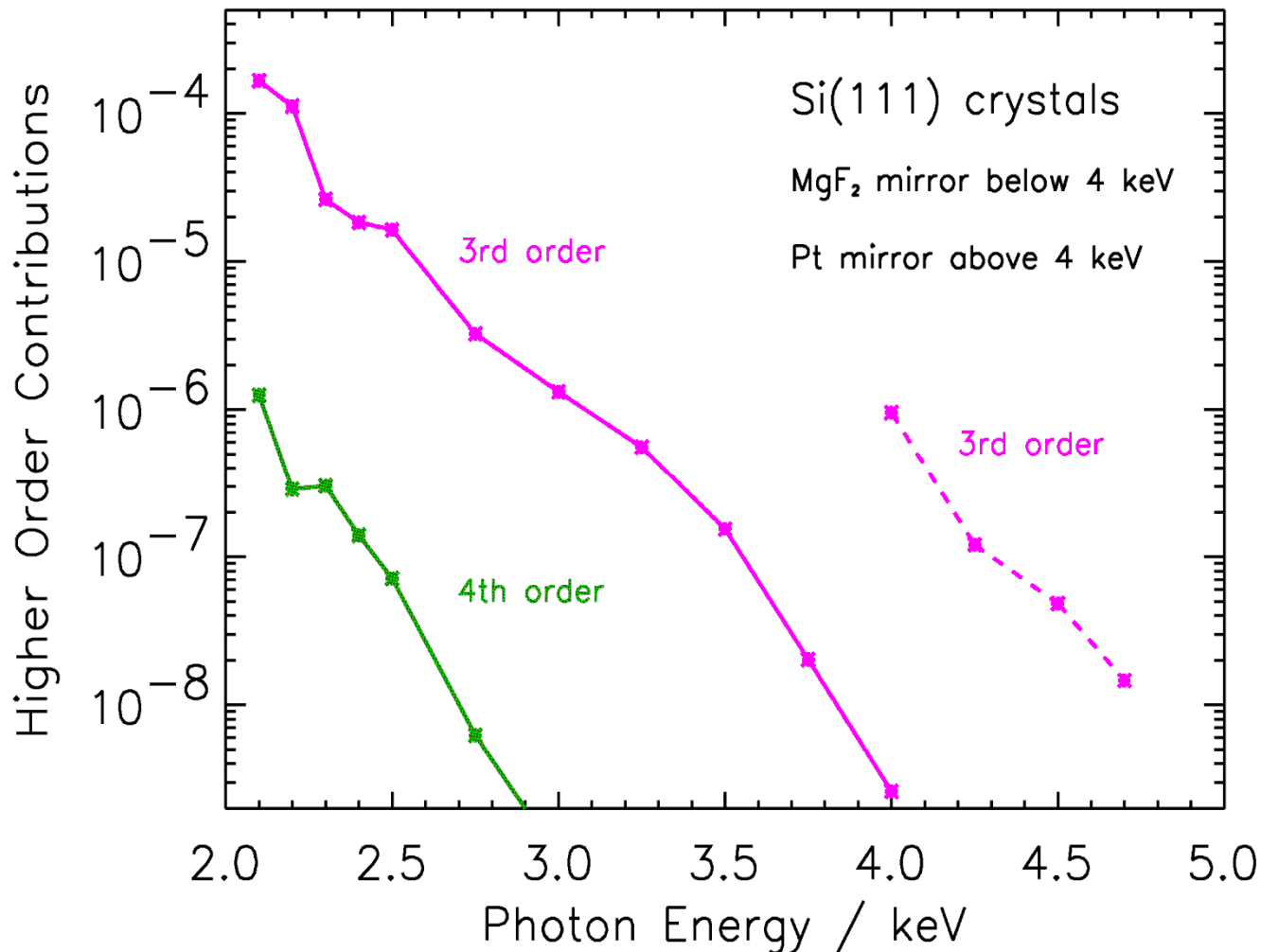
apertures

0 m	14 m	21 m	27.5 m	37 m
bending magnet	toroidal mirror	four crystal monochromator	plane mirror with bender	cryogenic radiometer

# Photon Flux at the FCM beamline

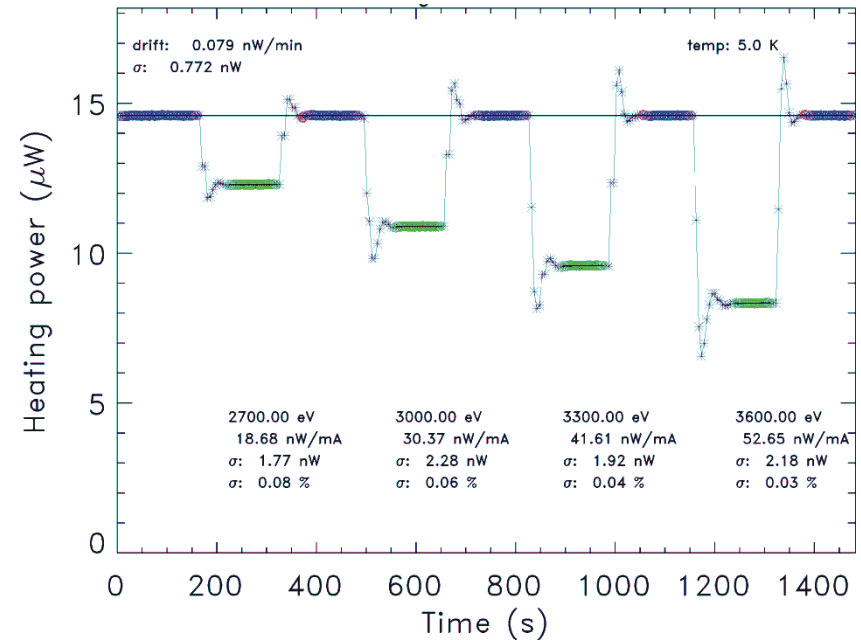
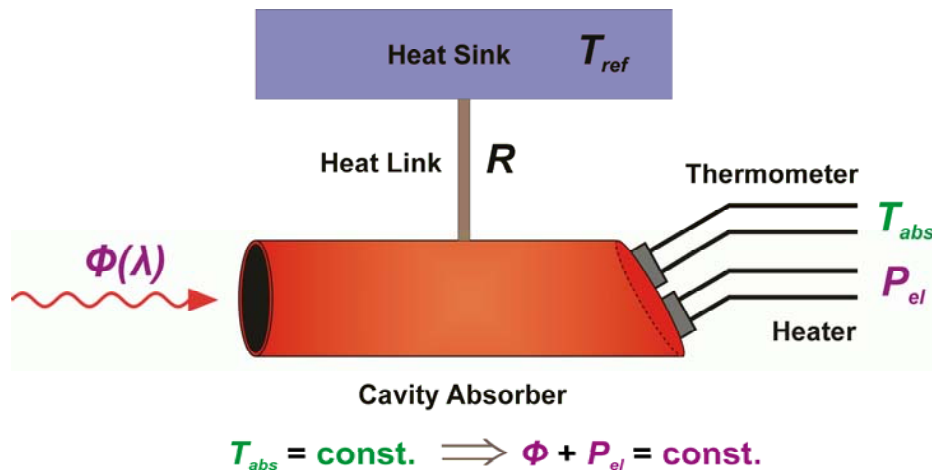


# FCM Beamline: Measured higher orders for Si crystals



# Primary detector standard

## Cryogenic Electrical Substitution Radiometer



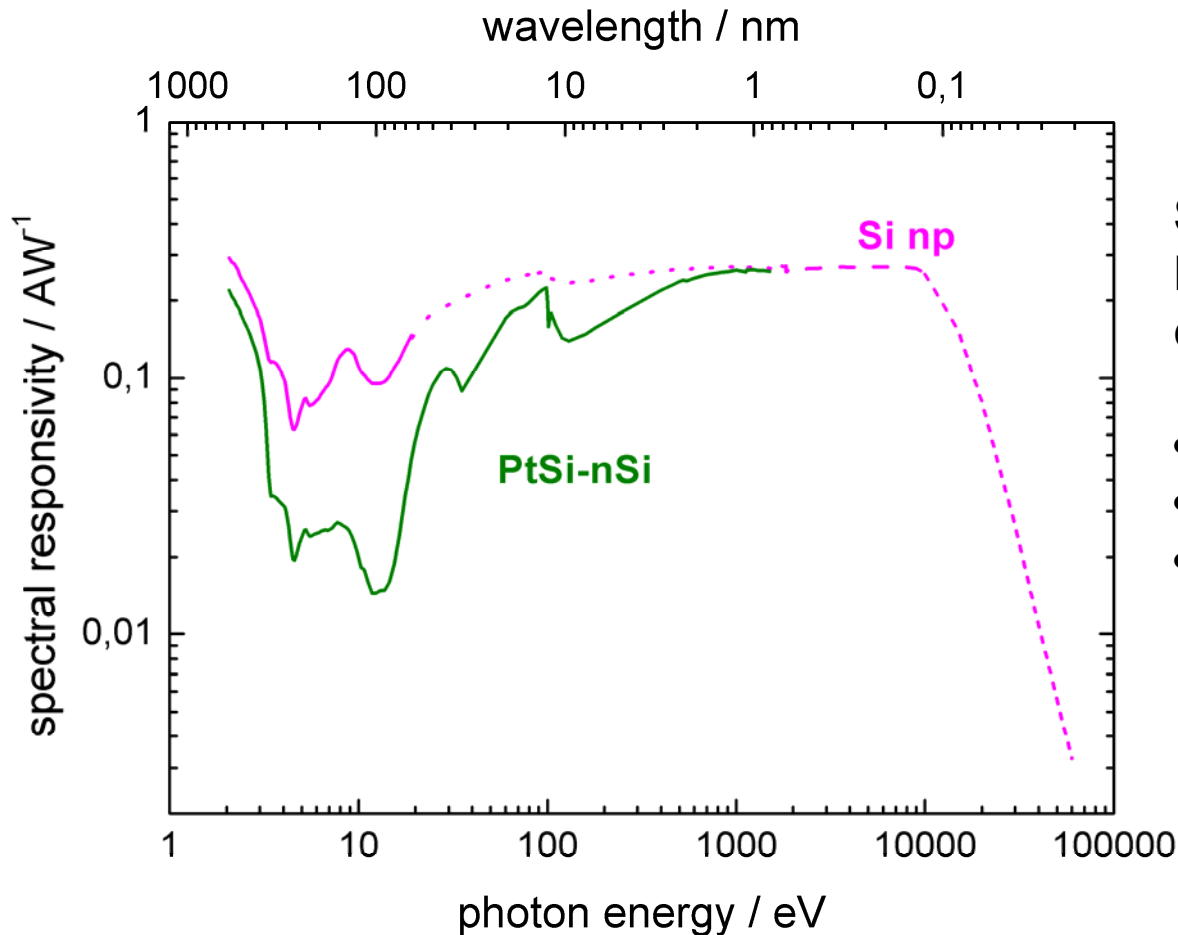
Absorber: 40 mm long, 8 mm diameter



500  $\mu\text{m}$  Au  
base

80  $\mu\text{m}$  Cu shell

# Responsivity of silicon photodiodes

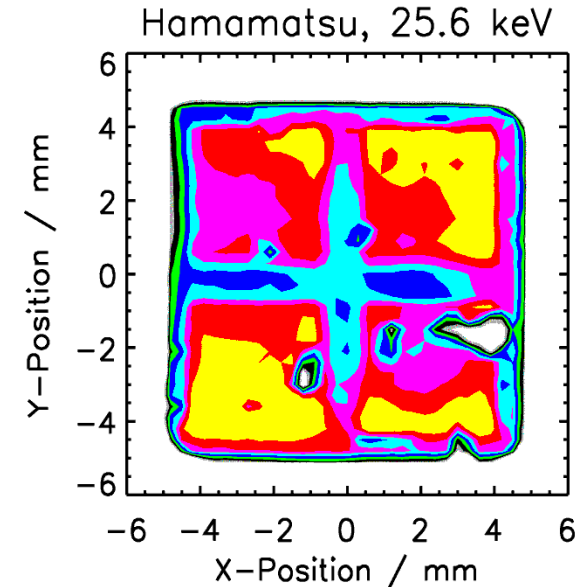
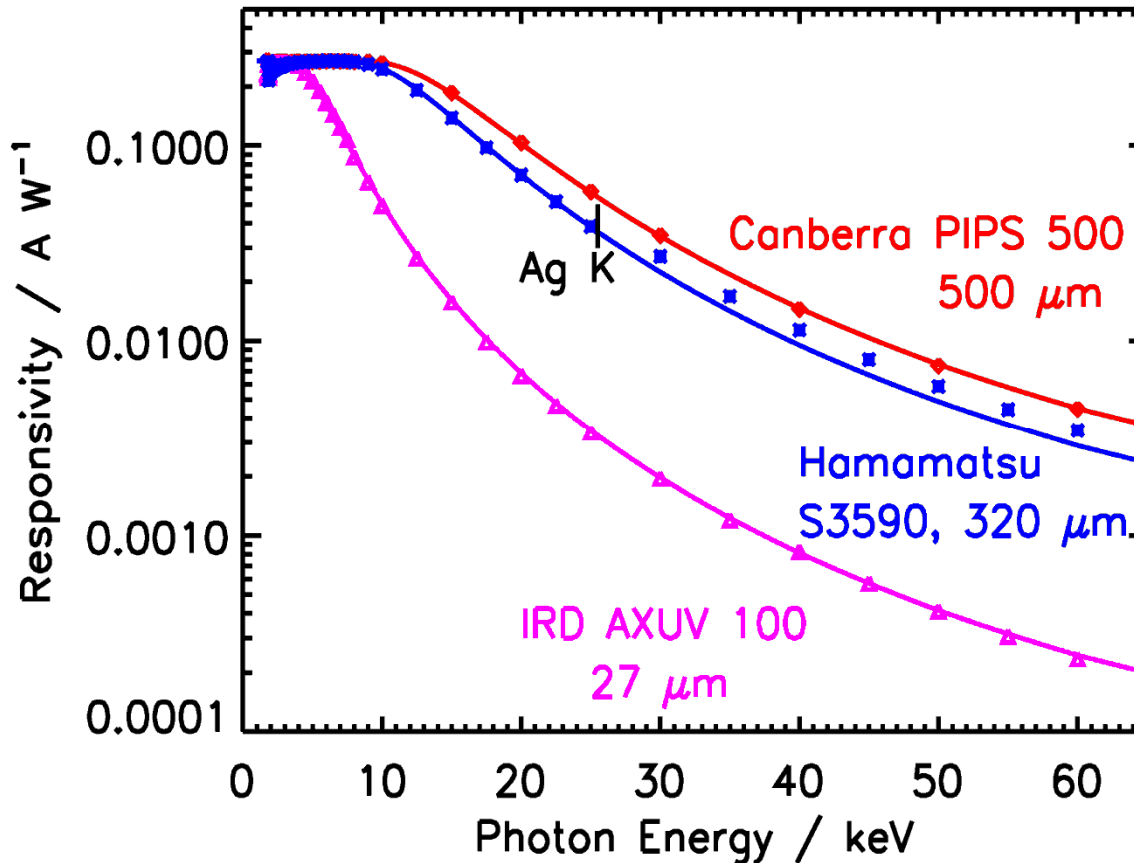


**Semiconductor photodiodes,**  
Best suited type depending on  
energy range due to

- stability
- linearity
- spatial uniformity

relative  
uncertainty  
 $\leq 1 \%$

# Responsivity of silicon photodiodes



Diodes  
calibrated for:  
ESRF  
SOLEIL  
Diamond  
APS

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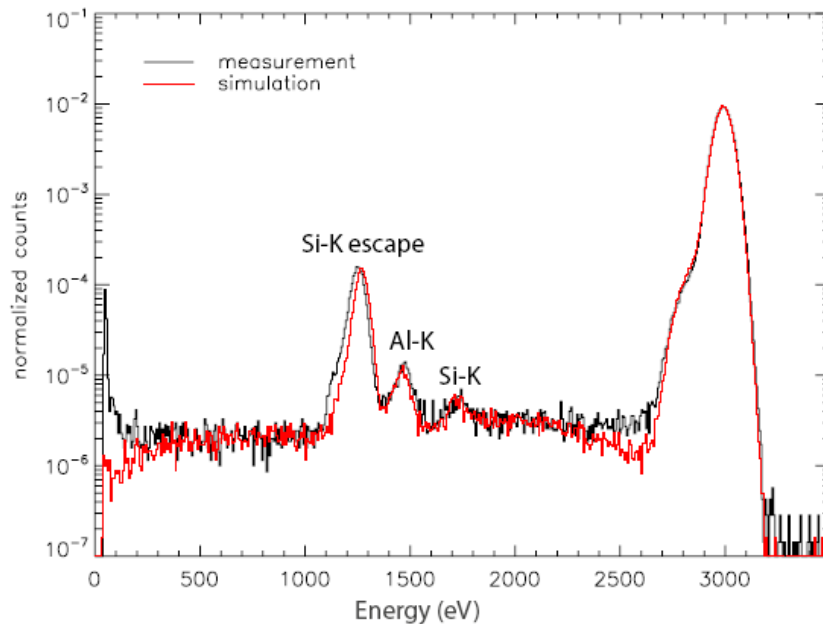
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# Characterization of the pnCCD for eROSITA

extended **R**oentgen **S**urvey with an Imaging **T**elecope **A**rray  
X-ray astrophysics mission, launch 2013

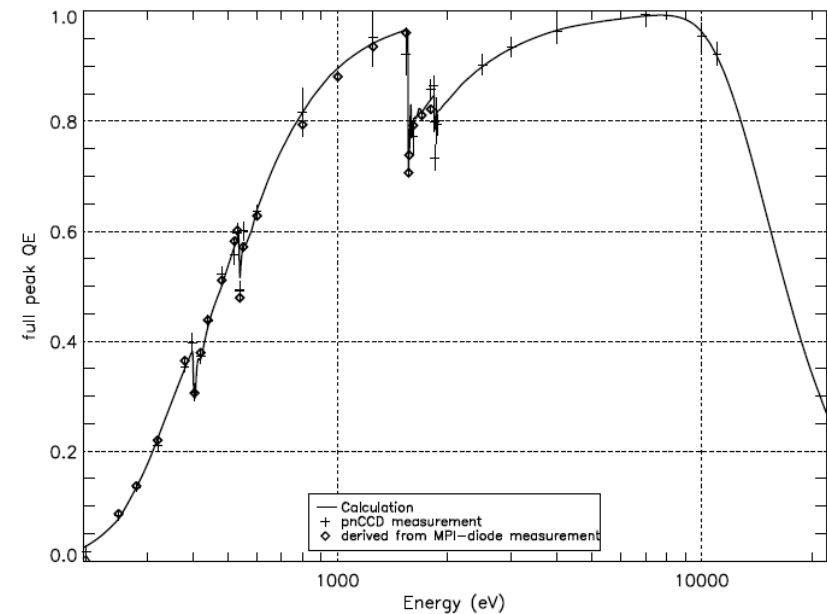
On board: 7 fully depleted back-illuminated pnCCD, 450  $\mu\text{m}$  Si thickness  
384 x 384 pixels, pixel size 75 x 75  $\mu\text{m}^2$ , area 29 x 29  $\text{mm}^2$

## Response function



S. Granato *et al.*,  
IEEE 2011 Nuclear Science Symposium  
Conference Record, 122 – 128 (2011)

## Full peak quantum efficiency

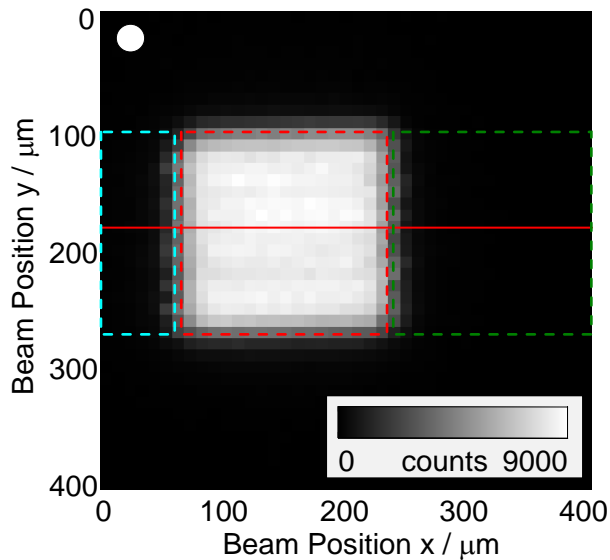


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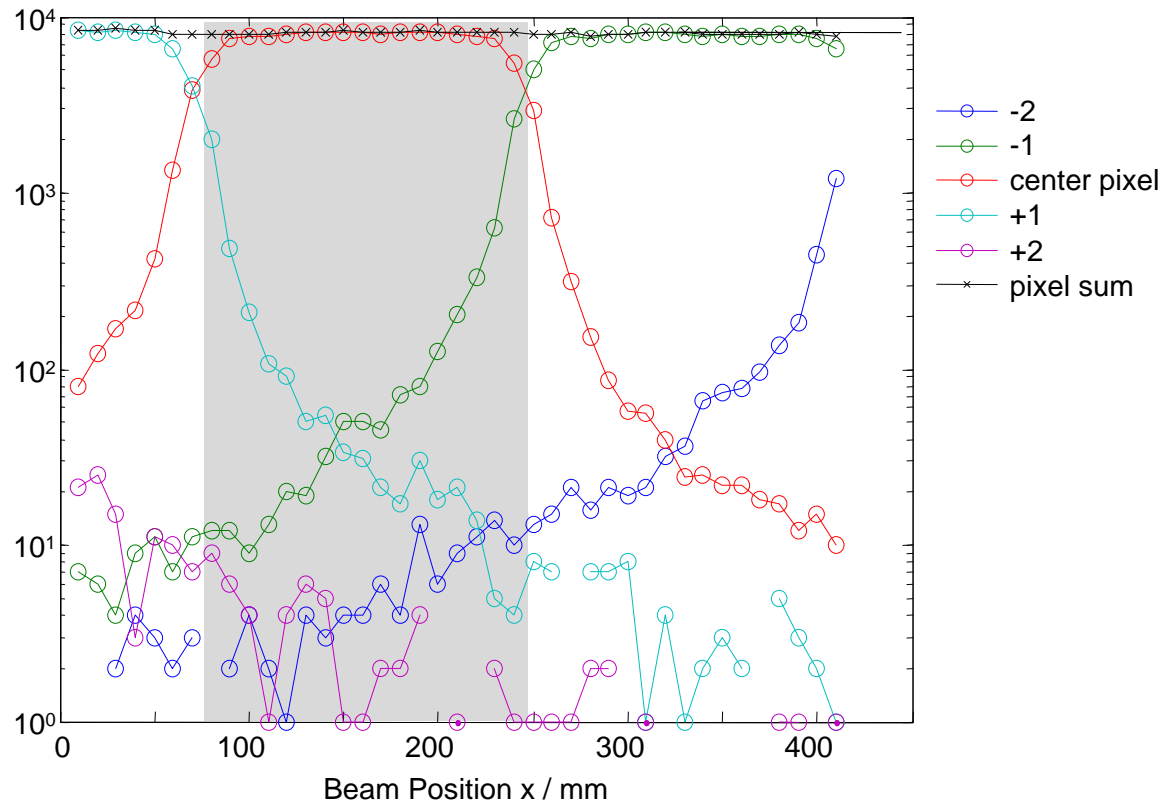
# Point spread function of a PILATUS detector

Pilatus 100k module, 320  $\mu\text{m}$  Si thickness

487 x 195 pixels, pixel size 172 x 172  $\mu\text{m}^2$ , area 84 x 34  $\text{mm}^2$



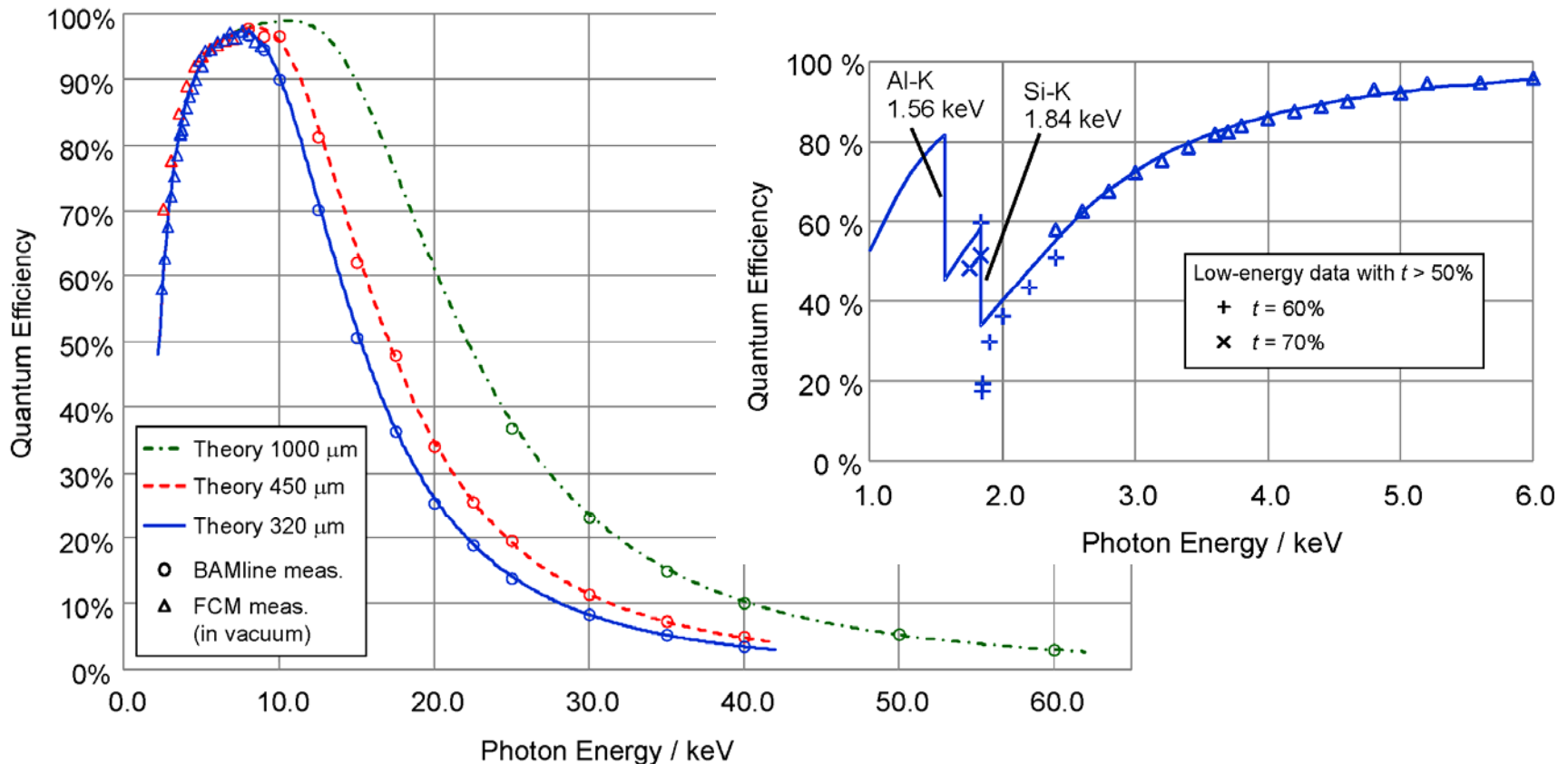
measured in vacuum  
3.3 keV



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# Quantum Efficiency of a PILATUS detector

Pilatus 100k module measured in vacuum and in air



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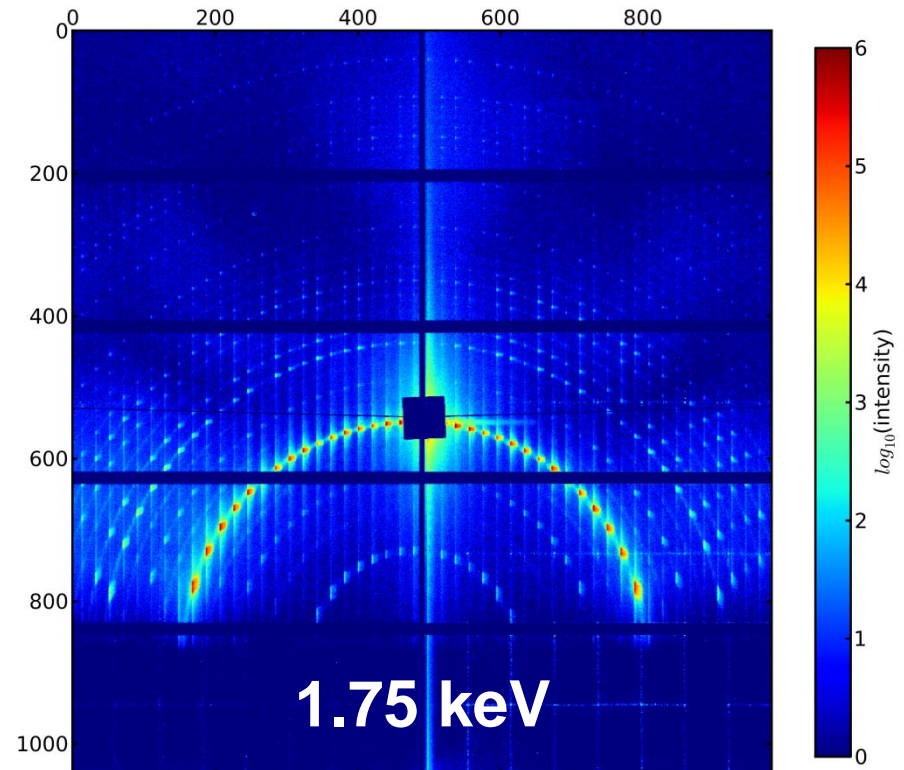
# PILATUS detector for low-energy applications

Pilatus 1M vacuum version, 320  $\mu\text{m}$  Si thickness

981 x 1043 pixels, pixel size 172 x 172  $\mu\text{m}^2$ , area 169 x 179  $\text{mm}^2$

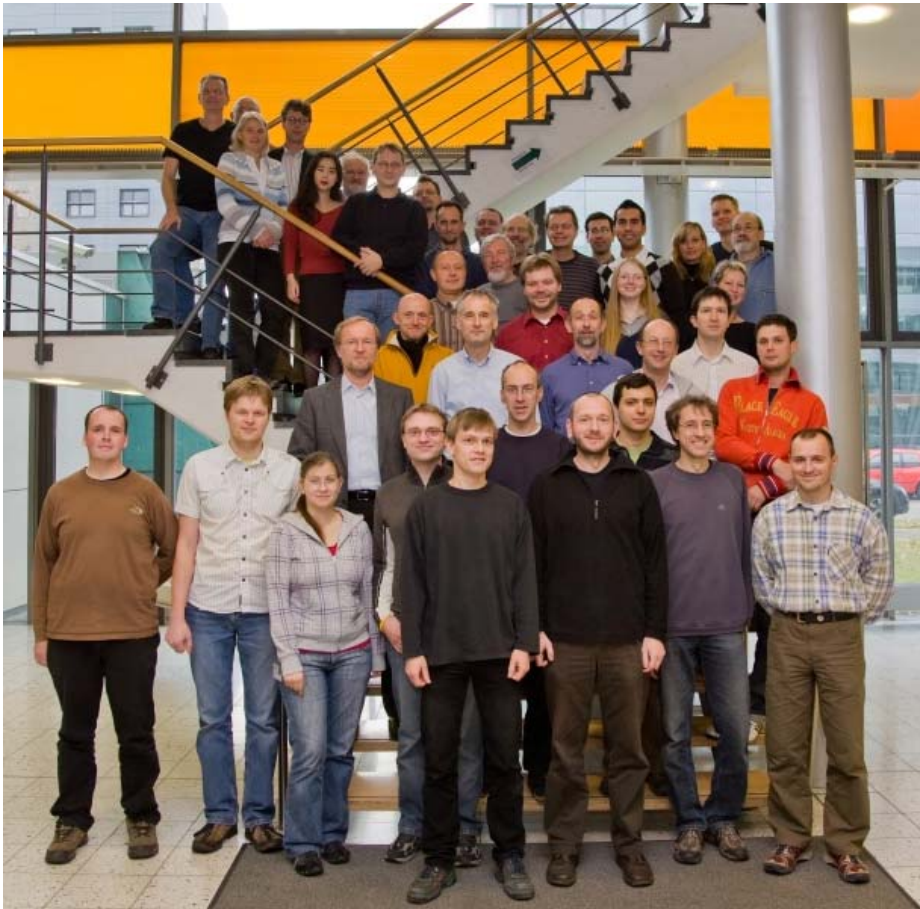


GISAXS, grating structure



- X-ray detectors can be characterized and calibrated in the PTB laboratory at BESSY II in a wide energy range from 50 eV to 60 keV
- Energy-dispersive detectors (Si(Li)s, SDDs) can be calibrated directly against the primary source standard BESSY II
- All other detectors can be calibrated in monochromatic radiation against a cryogenic electrical substitution radiometer as primary detector standard (using calibrated silicon photodiodes as transfer standards)
- Relative uncertainties for the responsivity or the quantum efficiency down to 1 % can be reached
- Area detectors are characterized and applied also at low X-ray energies

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