

Laser applications at accelerators

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Principal laser applications

I. Particles generation (photoinjector)

laser of UV range, energy $\sim 100\mu\text{J}$, pulsewidth up to 10fsec
make possible to generate very short bunch with a small emittance

II. Particles acceleration

laser of the extreme intensity $10^{18} - 10^{20}\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$
allow to reach a high-gradient acceleration $\sim 1\text{GV}/\text{m}$

III. Laser application for particle beams monitoring and

X- γ photons generation.

particularity: small cross-section \rightarrow high energy laser pulses are needed
 \rightarrow laser energy losses is very small \rightarrow
laser pulse may be used many times \rightarrow recycling or optical cavity

Direct laser beam – particles interaction with recycling

Extreme Light Infrastructure – Nuclear Physics
ELI – NP project

Electron beam parameters

Energy	80-720 MeV
Bunch charge	25-400 pC
Bunch length	100-400 μm
$\varepsilon_{n_{x,y}}$	0,2-0,4 mm-Rad
Sport size	>15 μm
Bunch separation	16 nsec
Bunches in train	≤ 32

Laser parameters

Pulse energy	200mJ
Rep.rate	100Hz
Wavelength	515nm
Pulsewidth(FWHM)	3,5psec
Jitter to external clock	< 200fsec

Recirculator allows of
one laser pulse
Interaction with 32electron bunches

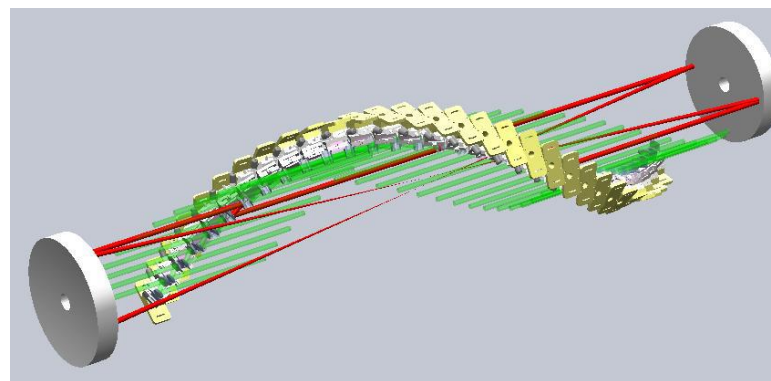


Table 1. Summary of Gamma-ray beam Specifications

Photon energy	0.2-19.5 MeV
Spectral Density	$0.8-4 \cdot 10^4$ ph/sec.eV
Bandwidth (rms)	$\leq 0.5\%$
# photons per shot within FWHM bdw.	$\leq 2.6 \cdot 10^5$
# photons/sec within FWHM bdw.	$\leq 8.3 \cdot 10^8$
Source rms size	10 - 30 μm
Source rms divergence	25 - 200 μrad
Peak Brilliance ($N_{ph}/sec\ mm^2\ mrad^2\ 0.1\%$)	$10^{20} - 10^{23}$
Radiation pulse length (rms, psec)	0.7 - 1.5
Linear Polarization	> 99 %
Macro rep. rate	100 Hz
# of pulses per macropulse	≤ 32
Pulse-to-pulse separation	16 nsec

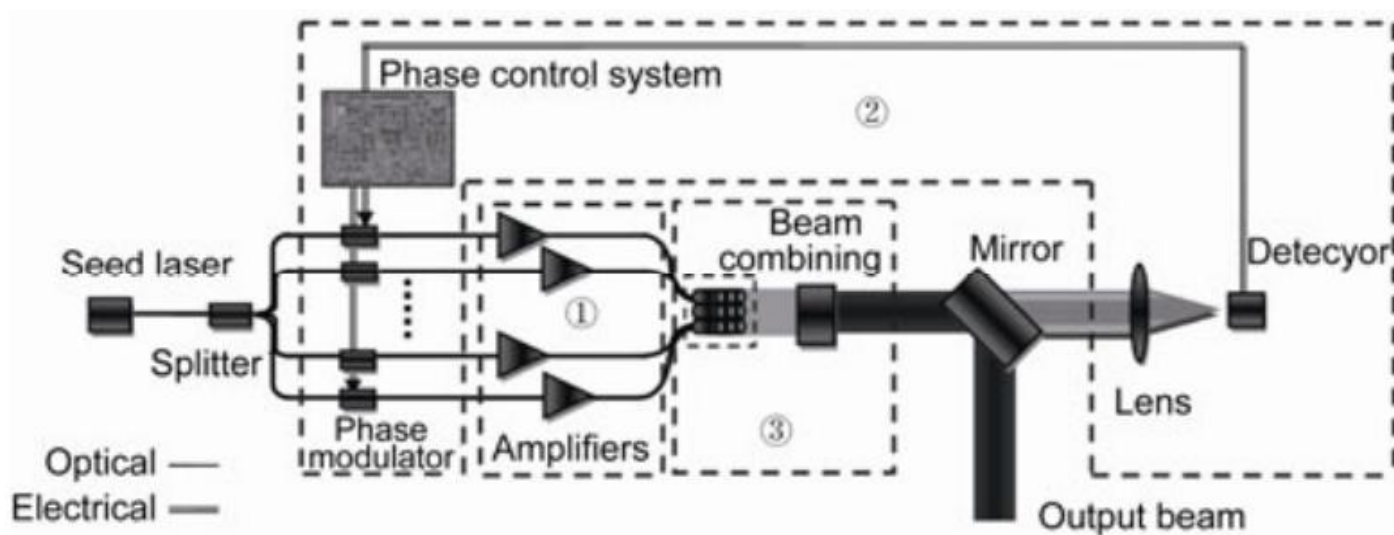
Coherent laser beam combining

Use a high coherence of the laser beam to

- 1. combine several coherent laser beams
into one power beam**
- 2. accumulate (amplificate) a laser beam
inside a passive optical cavity**

Principle of coherent beams combining

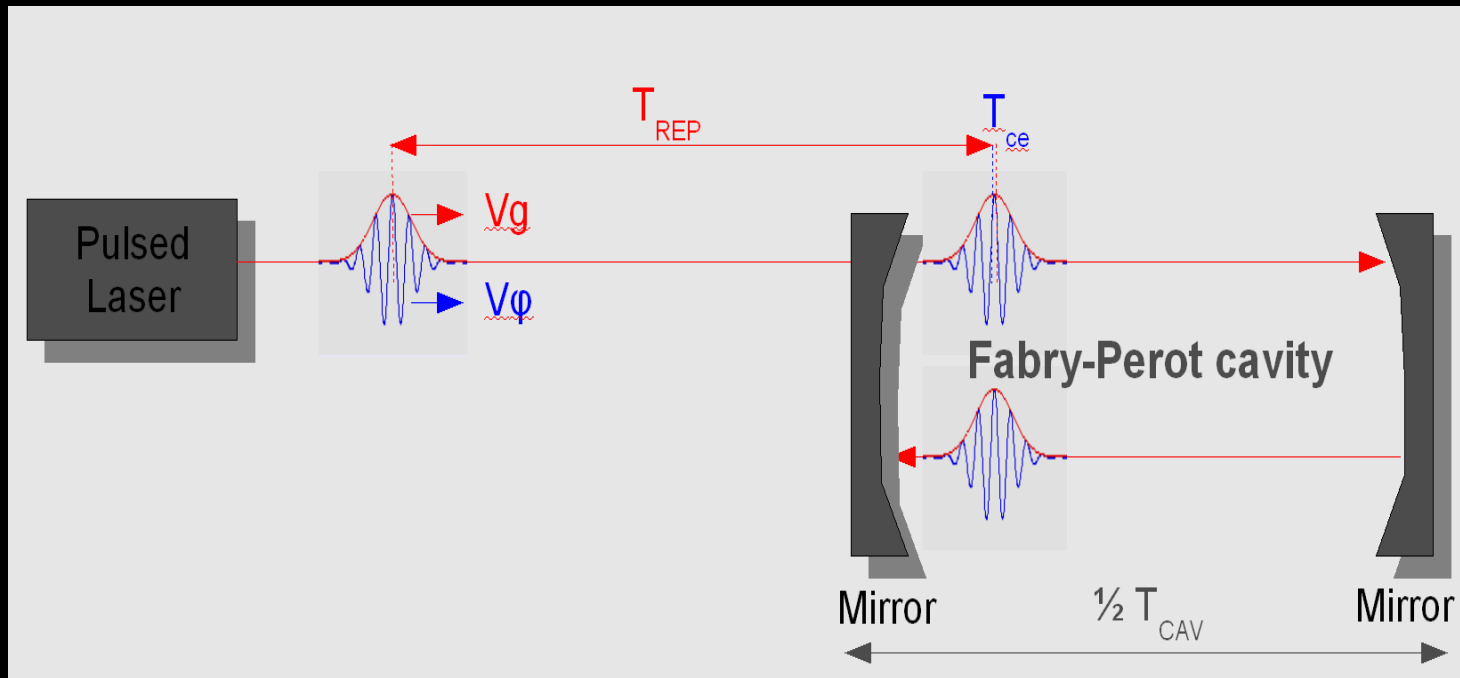
Several coherent laser beams are synchronized and combined in one power beam



Combined power 1-1,5 kW
for 10-15 fiber laser beams

Drawback: beam quality

Pulsed laser amplifying principle in time domain



Laser pulses are amplified
if laser field overlays with FP cavity field :

V_g : Group Velocity
 V_ϕ : Phase Velocity
 L_{rep} : Laser repetition Length
 L_{cav} : Fabry-Perot cavity Length

MightyLaser setup at ATF (KEK)



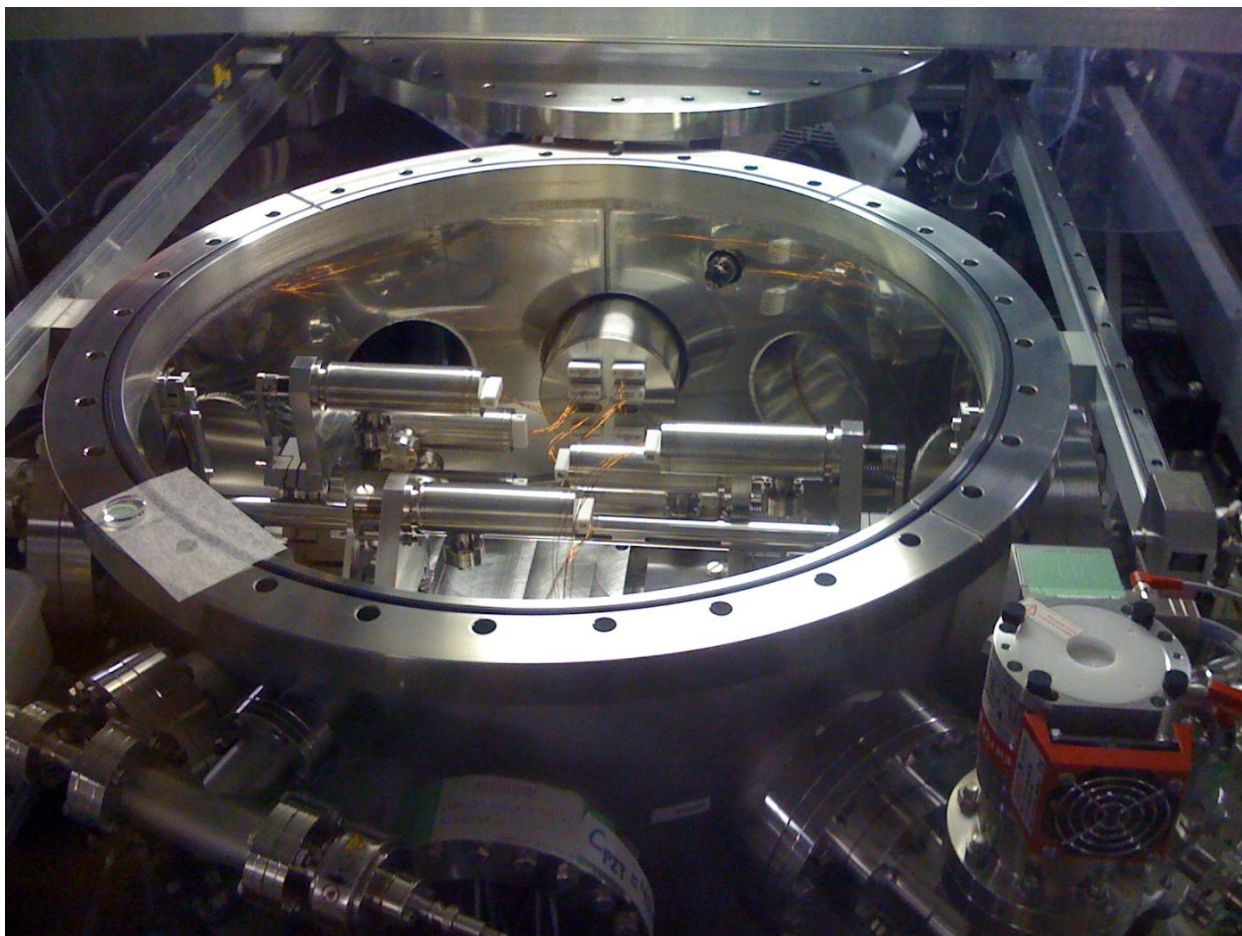
All fiber laser:

Oscillator: Orange (Menlo-Systems), $\lambda=1030\text{nm}$, $\Delta\lambda=9.6\text{nm}$, $\tau=2.5\text{ps}$,

$F_{\text{rep}}=178.5\text{MHz}$, $P_{\text{out}}=23\text{mW}$

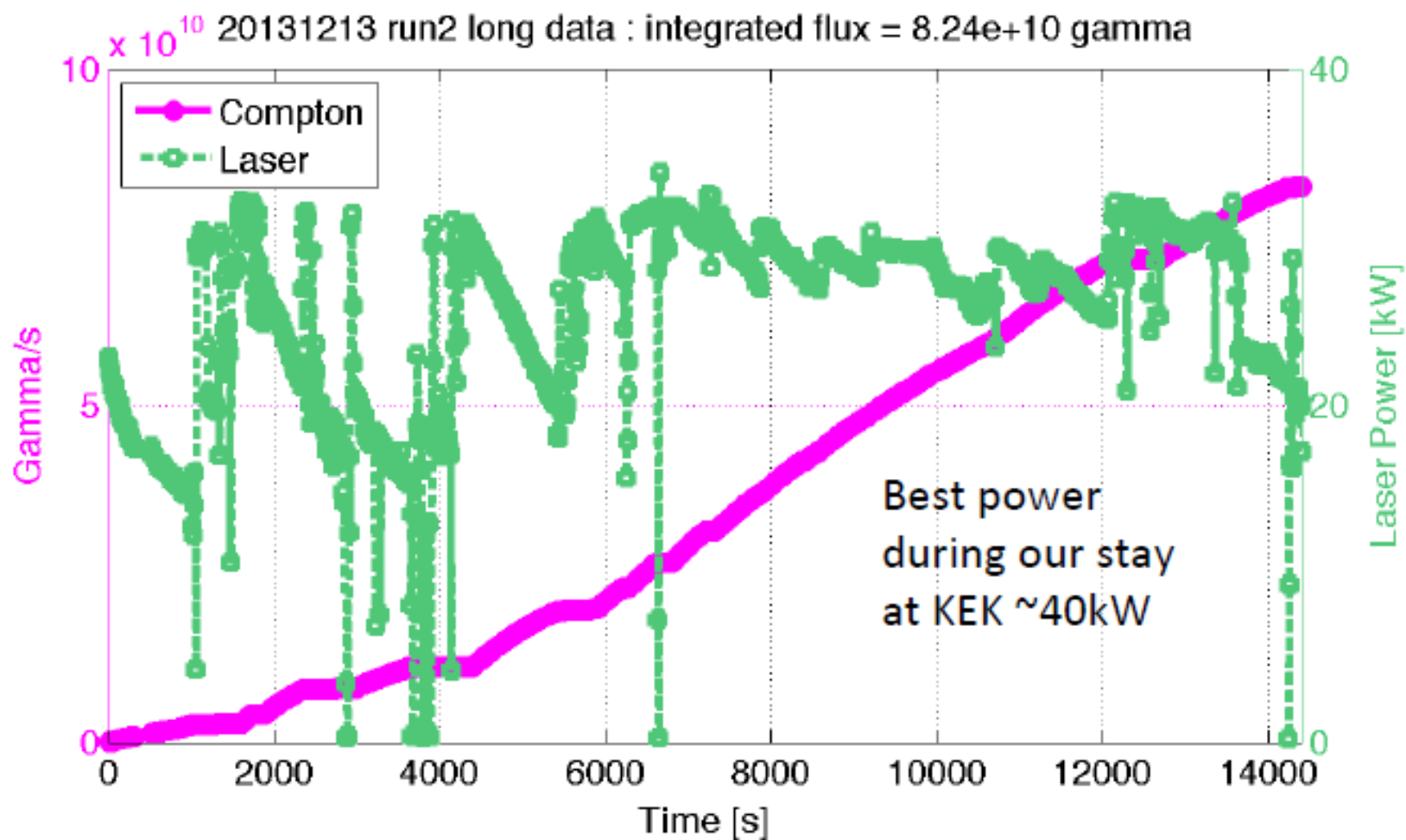
Amplifier: CELIA (Bordeaux) $P_{\text{out}}=50\text{W}$

Optical cavity (MightyLaser, ATF,KEK)

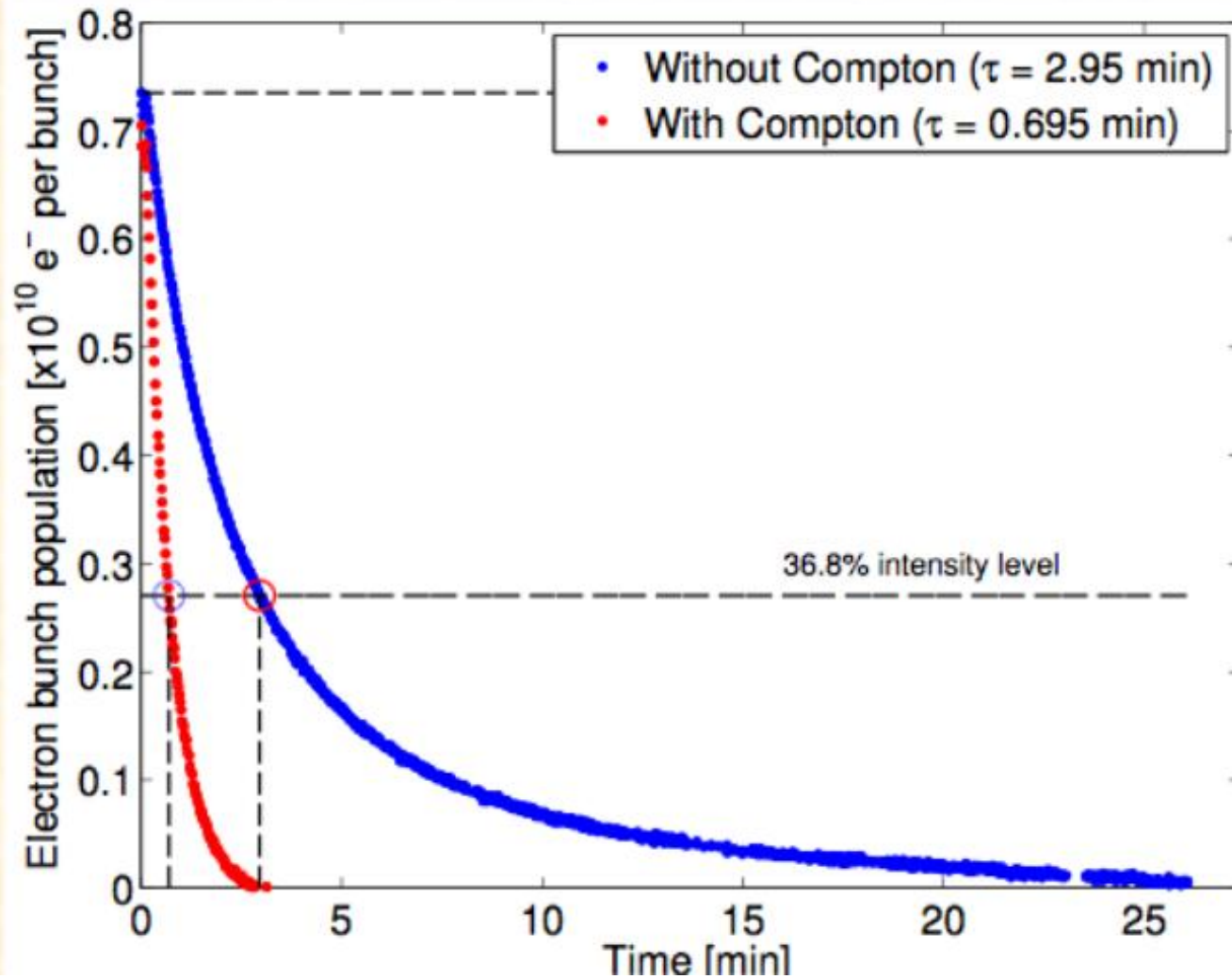


Nonplanar 4-mirrors optical cavity LAL(Orsay)

Long run with high power



Beam lifetime decrease



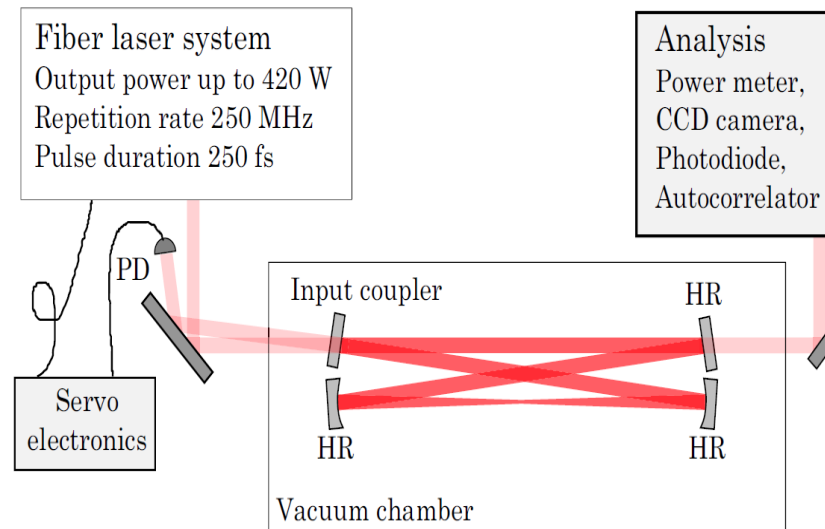
Limitation owing to particles losses

Megawatt-scale average-power ultrashort pulses in an enhancement cavity

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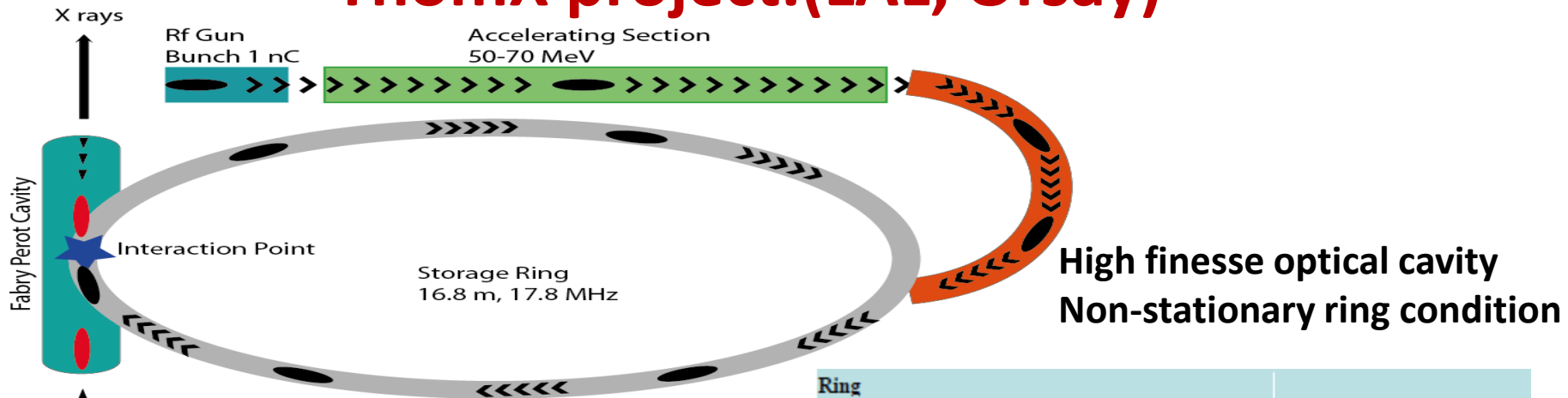
Was demonstrate **400 kW** of average power with **250 fs** pulses and **670 kW** with **10 ps** pulses at a central wavelength of 1040 nm and a repetition rate of **250 MHz**.

Input: **420W** fiber laser



Limitation owing to thermal deformation of cavity mirrors

ThomX project.(LAL, Orsay)



Laser and FP cavity	
Laser wavelength	1030 nm
Laser and FP cavity Freq	35.68 MHz
Laser power	50 – 100 W
Laser pulse energy	1.4 – 2.8 μ J
Fabry-Perot pulse energy	28 mJ
Fabry-Perot pulse length (rms)	5 ps
FP cavity finesse/Gain	3000-30000 /
FP waist	70 μ m
Power circulating in the FP cavity	$\sim 0.07 - 0.7$ W

Ring	
Energy	50 MeV (70 MeV possible)
Circumference	16.8 m
Crossing-Angle (full)	2 degrees
$\beta_{x,y}$ @ IP	0.1 m
$\epsilon_{x,y}$ just after injection	$5 \cdot 10^{-8}$ m
Bunch length just after injection (rms)	4 ps
Bunch length at the end of a 20 ms storage cycle	50 ps (rms)
Beam current	17.84 mA
RF frequency	500 MHz
Transverse/longitudinal damping time	1 s / 0.5 s
RF Voltage	300 kV
Revolution frequency	17.84 MHz
σ_x @ IP (just after injection)	70 μ m
Tune x/y	3.17 / 1.74
Momentum compaction factor α_c	0.0136
Initial/Final relative energy spread (with IBS and Compton back-scattering)	0.4%/0/6%

Source	
Photon energy cut-off	46 keV (@50 MeV), 90 keV (@ 70 MeV)
Total Flux	10^{11} - 10^{13} photon/s
Bandwidth (with diaphragm)	1 % - 10%
Divergence	10 mrad ($1/\gamma$) without diaphragm @ 50 MeV