



# Novosibirsk Free Electron Laser

*Unique Source of the Terahertz and  
Infrared Coherent Radiation*

Presented by **O.A. Shevchenko, BINP**





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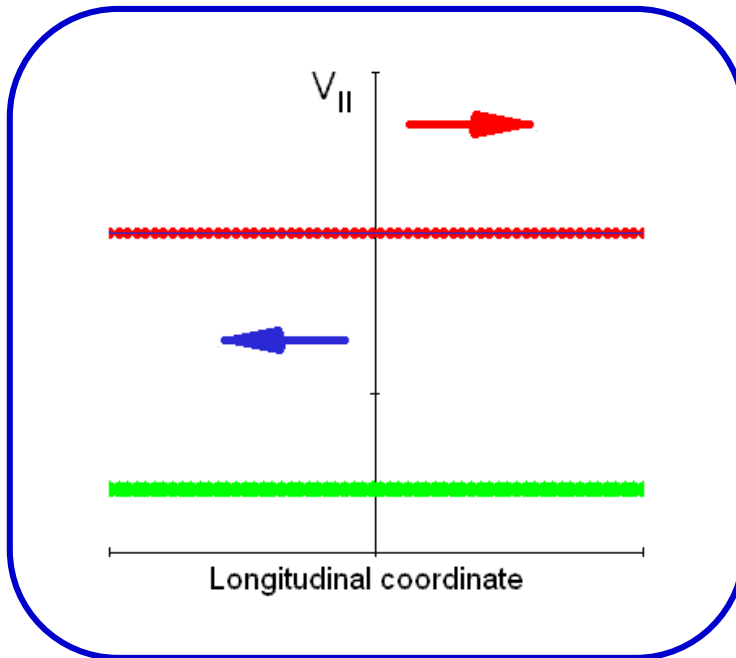
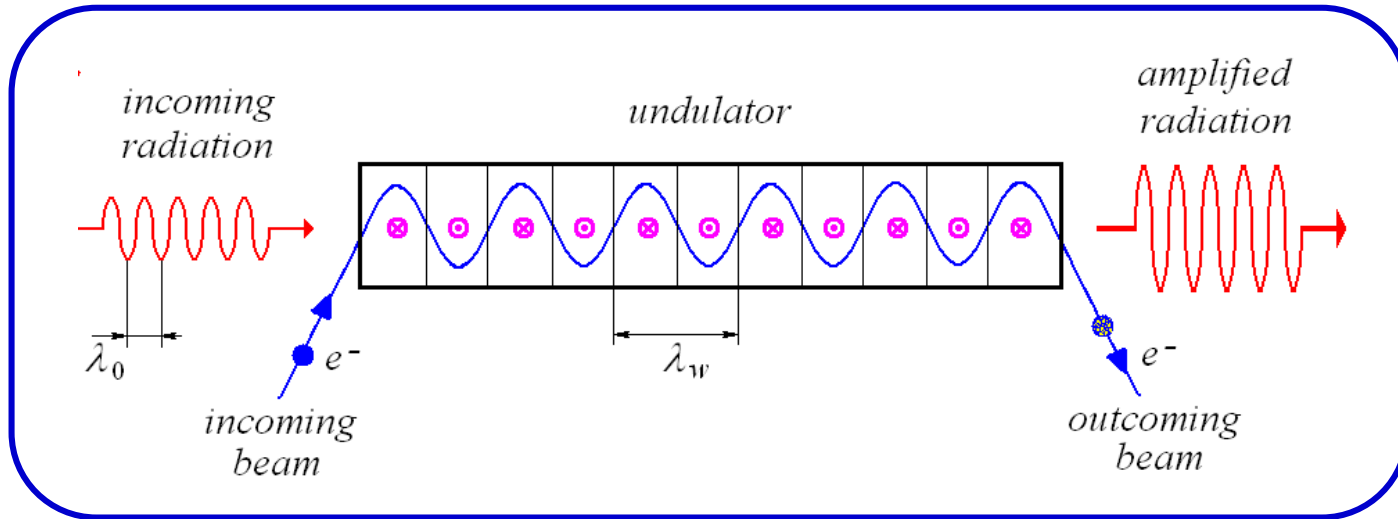
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## Outline

- Brief introduction to the FEL physics
- The NovoFEL accelerator design and operation
- NovoFEL as three FELs based source of radiation
- The third FEL commissioning and first experiments
- Nearest and far future plans for the conclusion

# FEL principle of operation



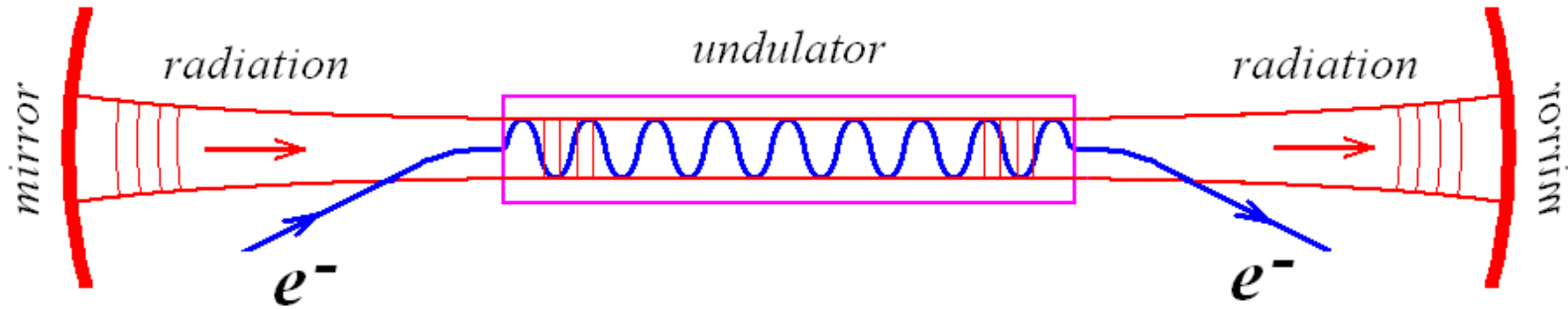
$$\lambda_0 \approx \frac{\lambda_w}{2\gamma^2} \left( 1 + \frac{K^2}{2} \right)$$

**synchronism condition**  
which is necessary for the  
**energy transfer**

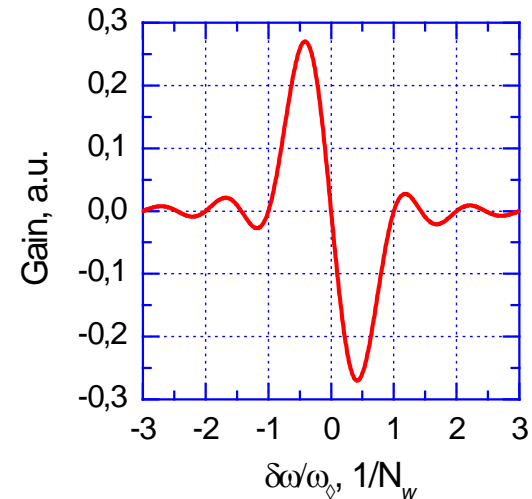
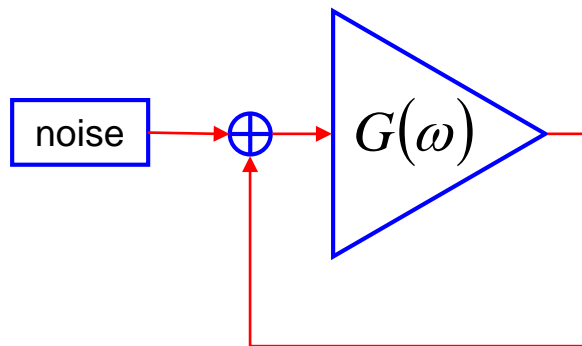
$$\left\langle \frac{d\gamma}{dz} \right\rangle = \frac{e}{mc^3} \langle \mathcal{E}_x V_x \rangle$$

# FEL principle of operation

## FEL oscillator

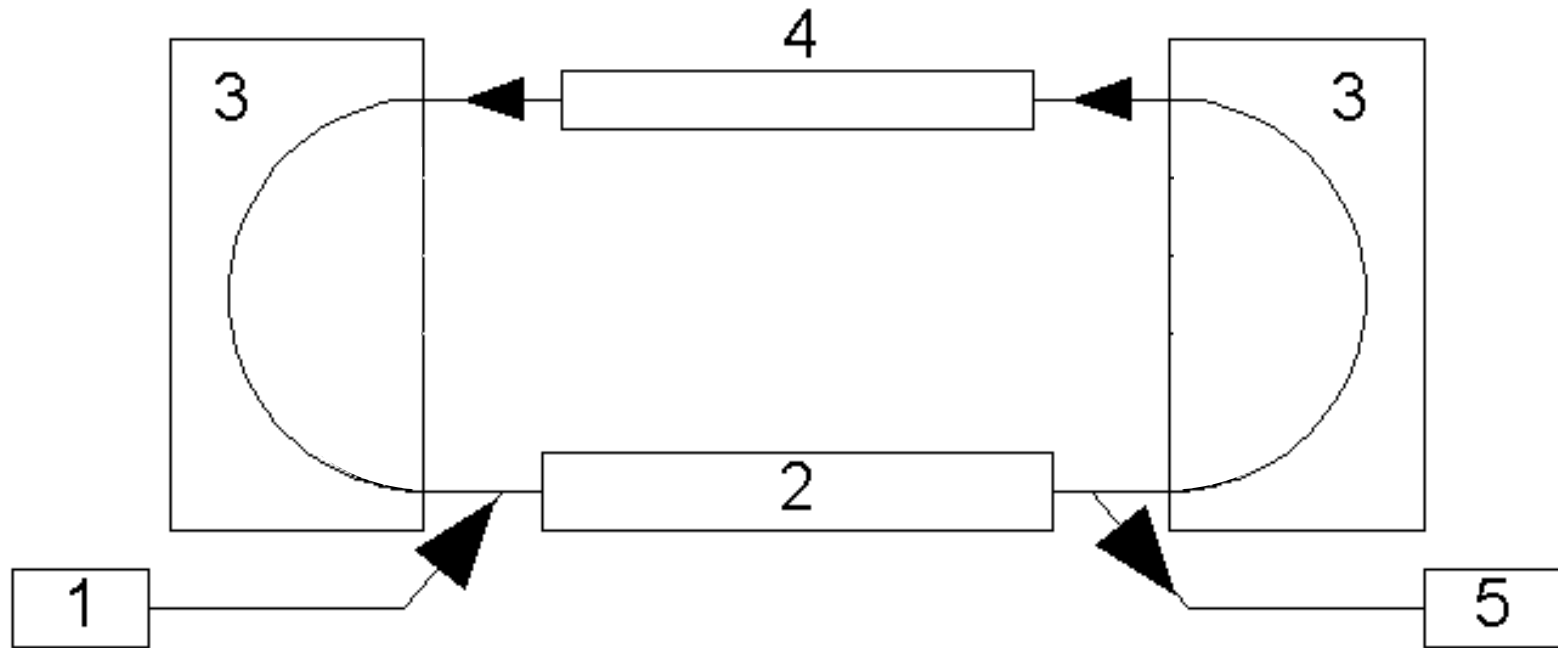


## Equivalent scheme



# NovoFEL Accelerator Design

## Energy Recovery Linac

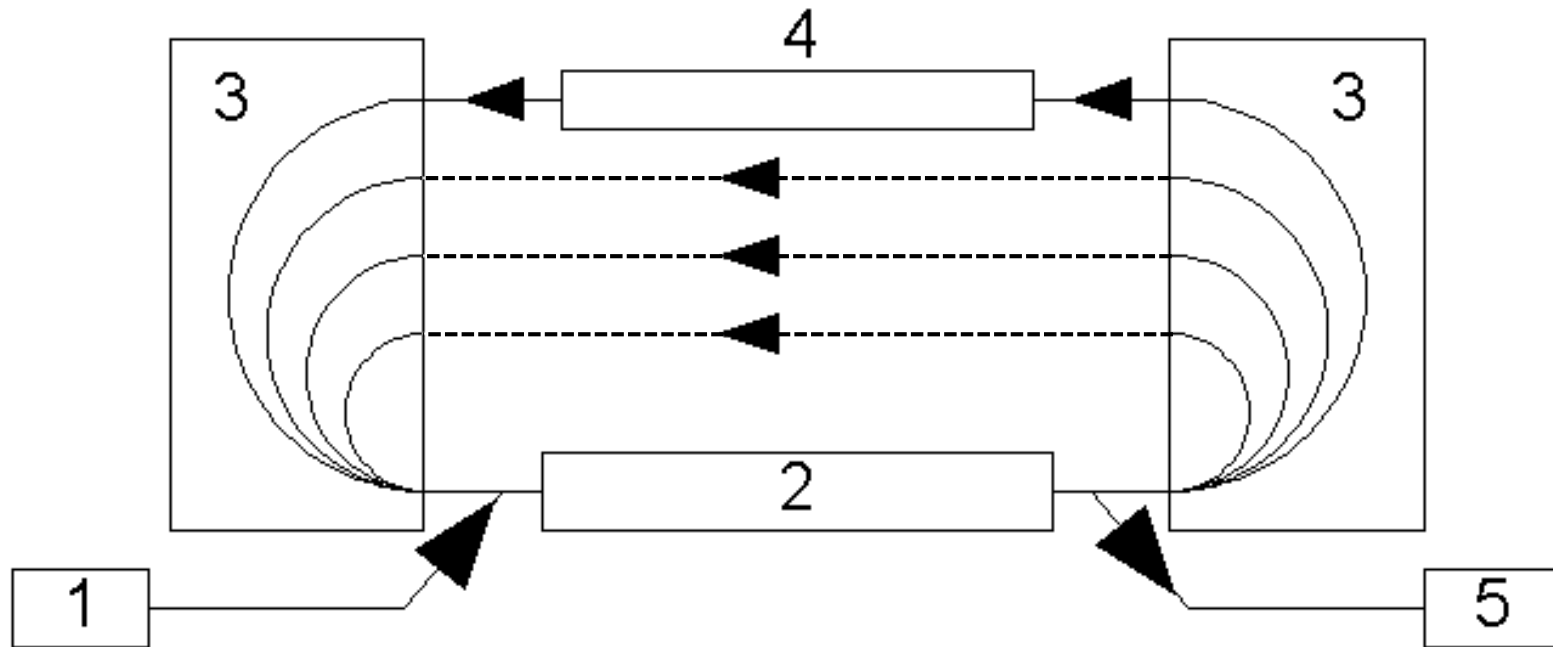


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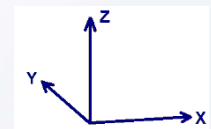
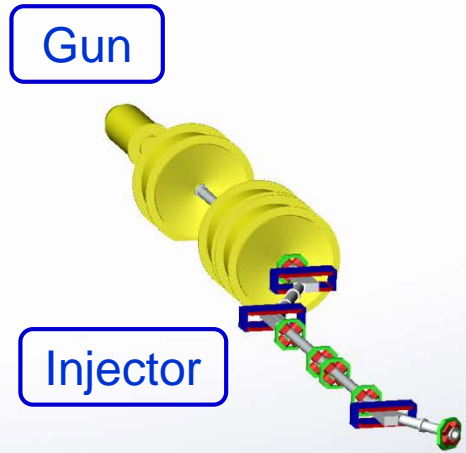
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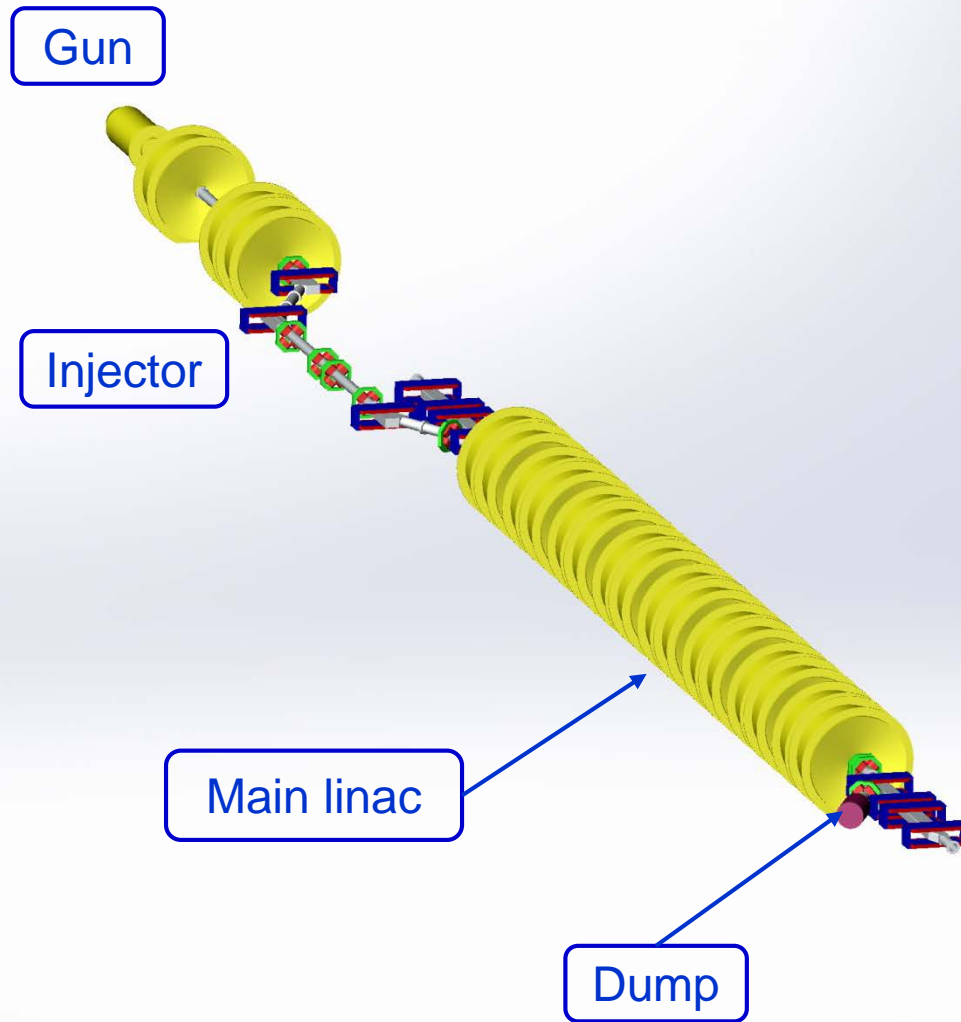
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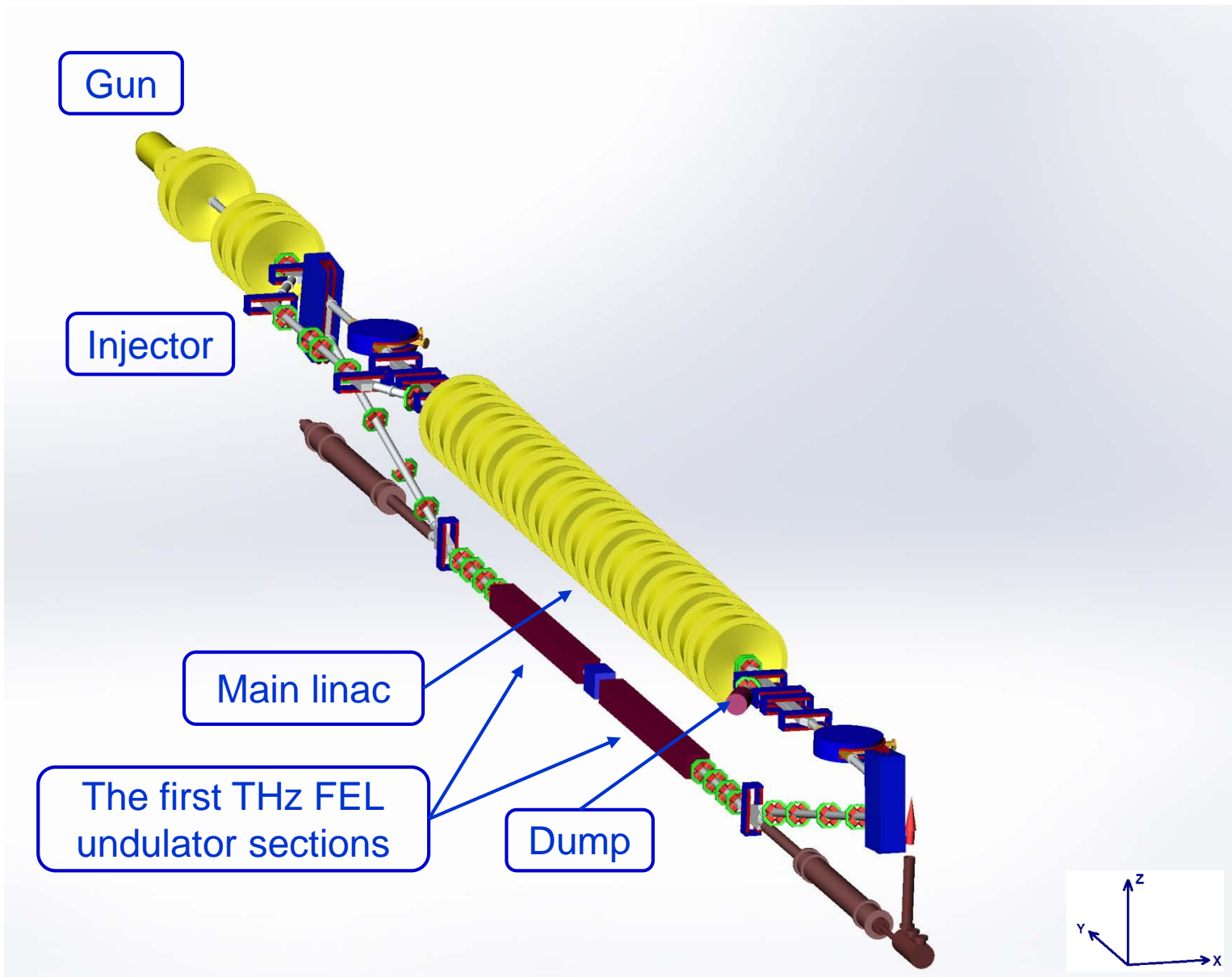




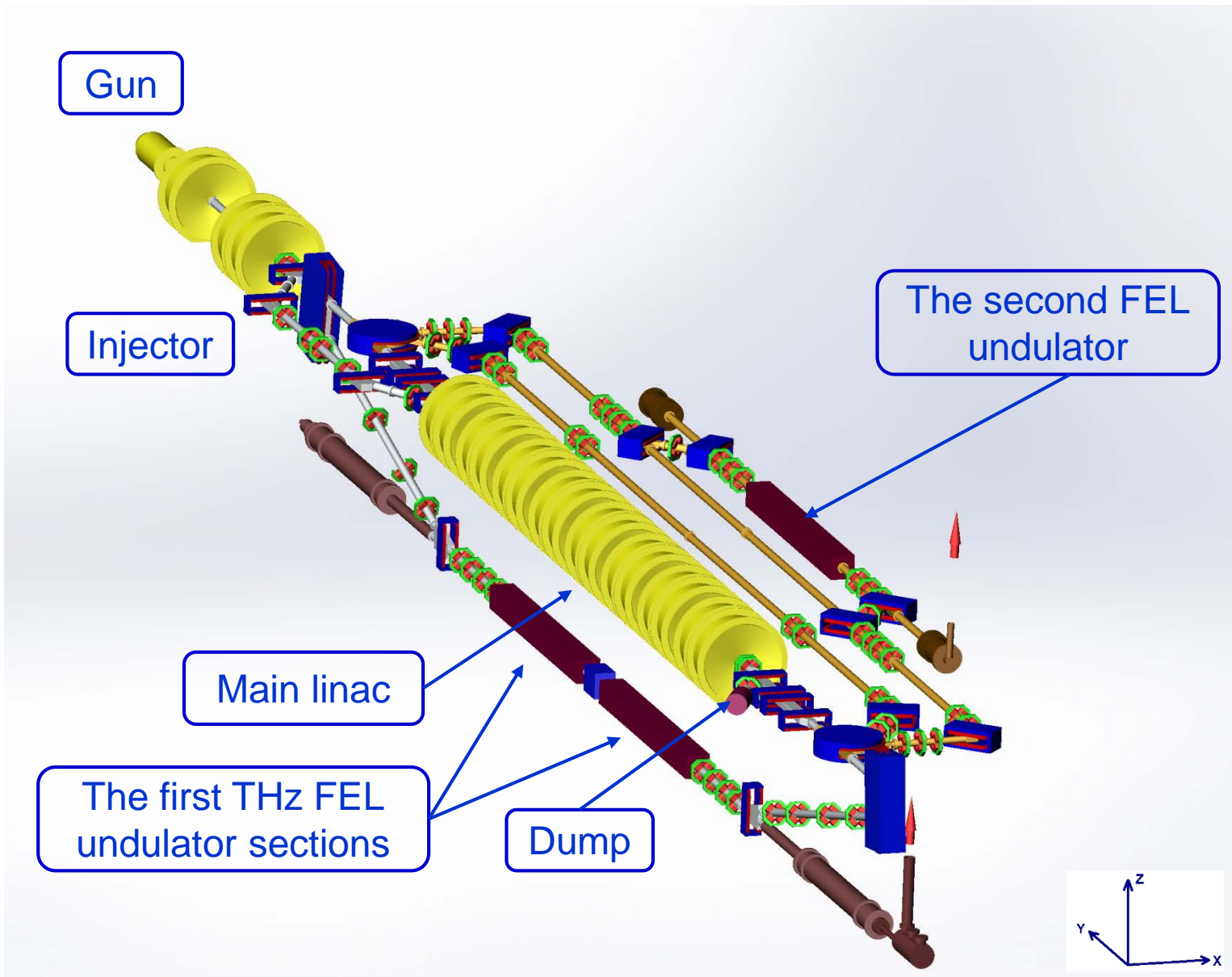
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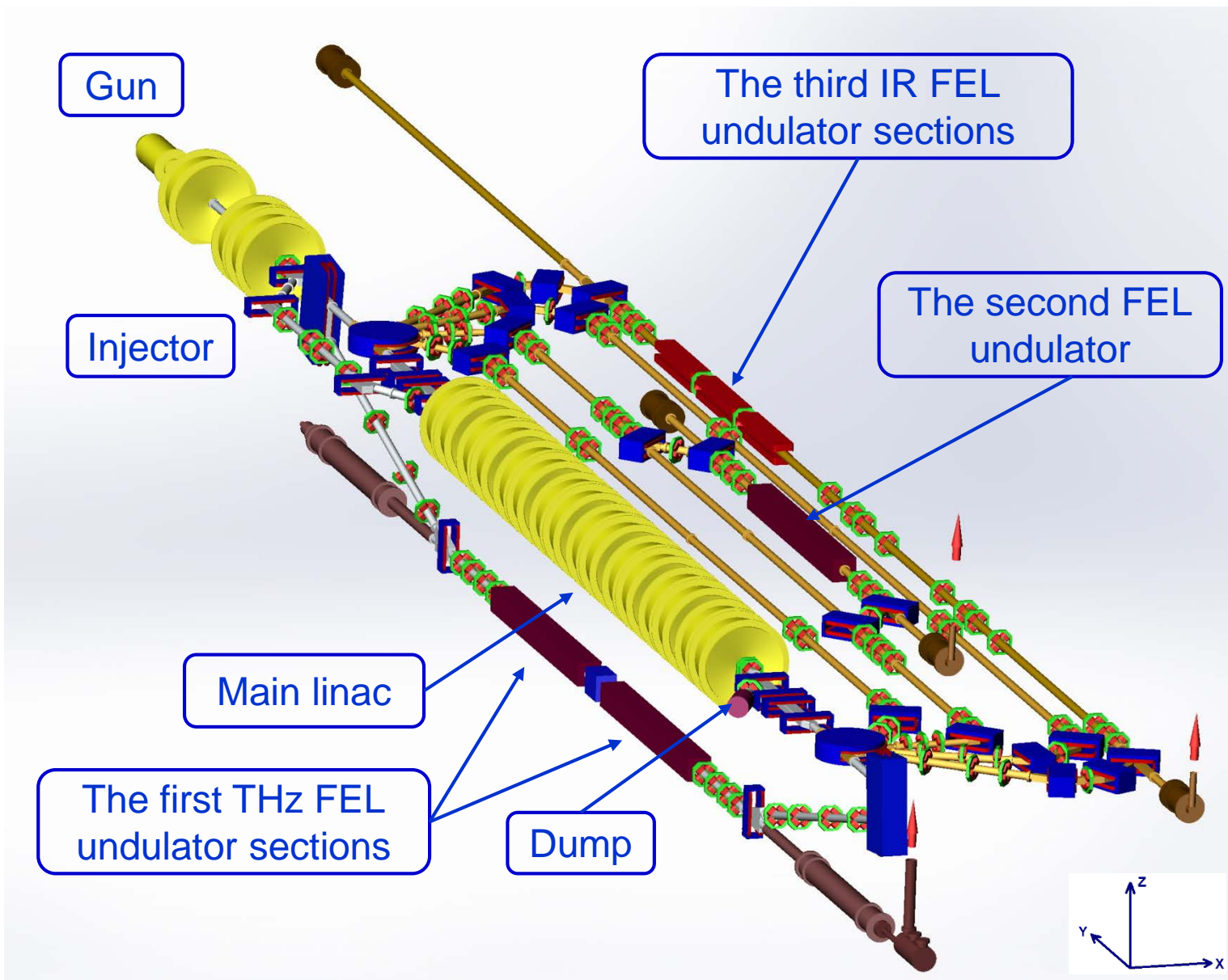
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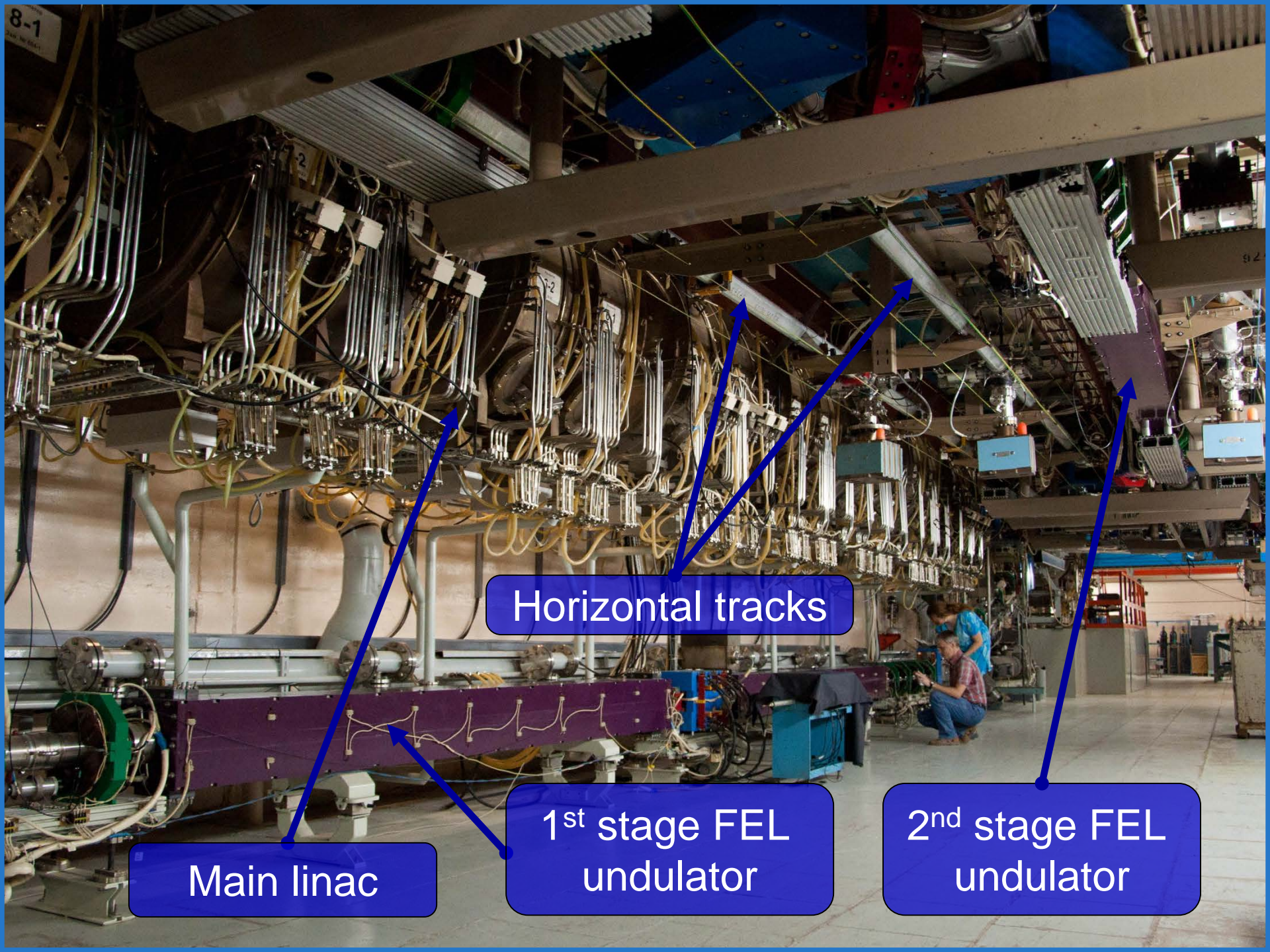


# NovoFEL Accelerator Design



# NovoFEL Accelerator Design





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2

2

92

Horizontal tracks

Main linac

1<sup>st</sup> stage FEL undulator

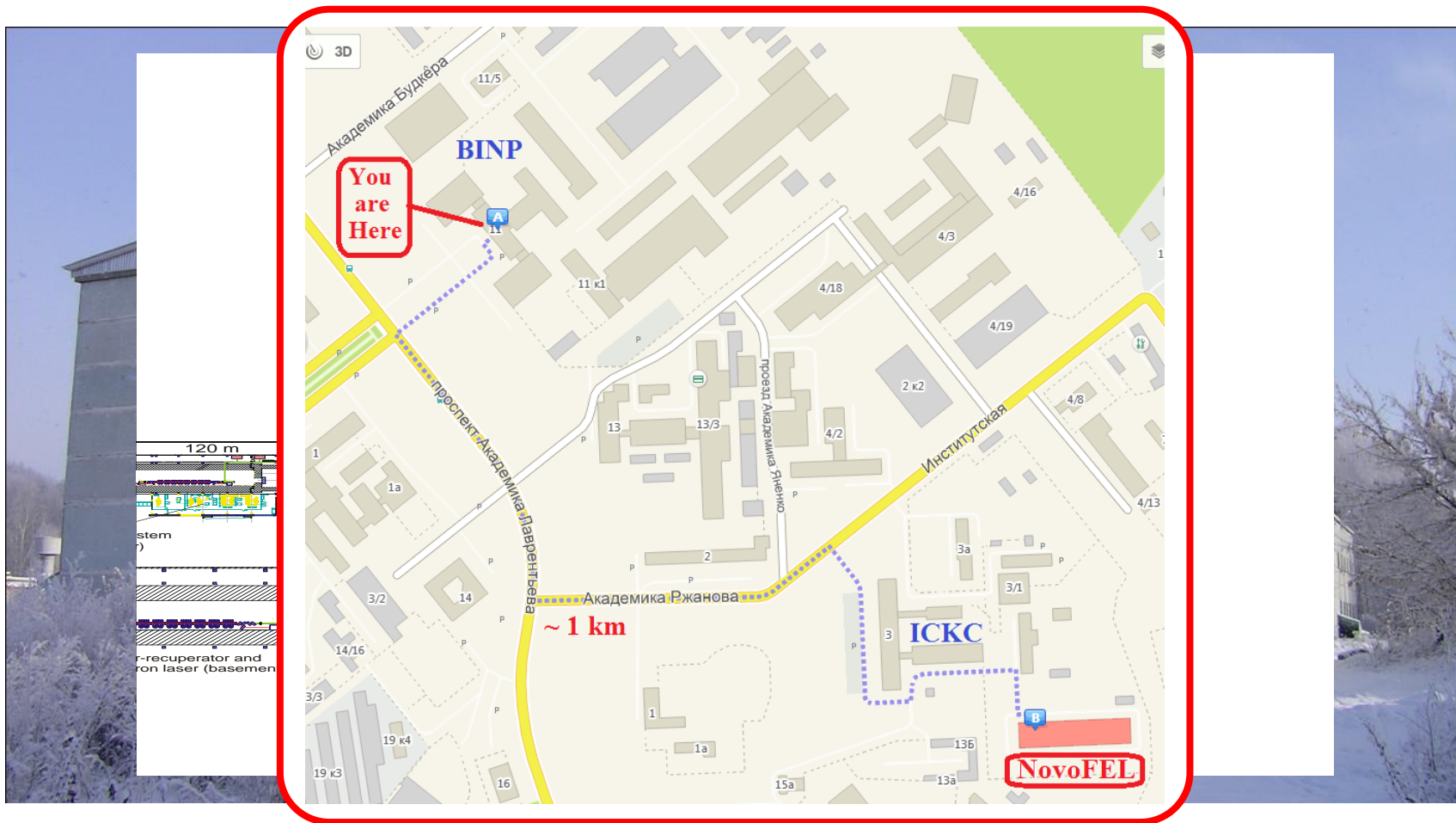
2<sup>nd</sup> stage FEL undulator



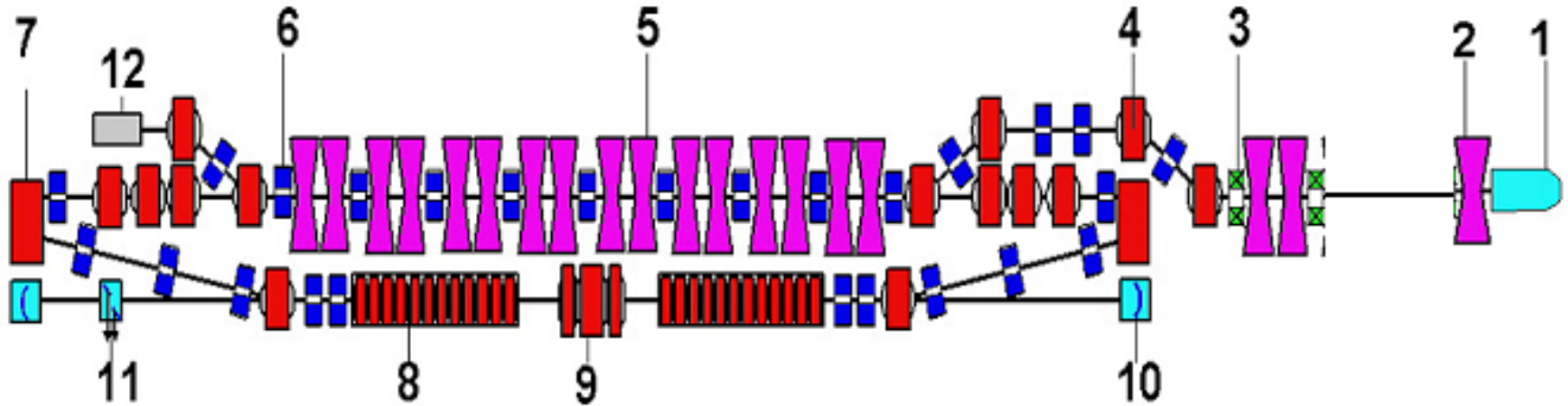
3<sup>d</sup> stage FEL undulator



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# Layout of Injector, Main Linac and Vertical Beamline (the First ERL)

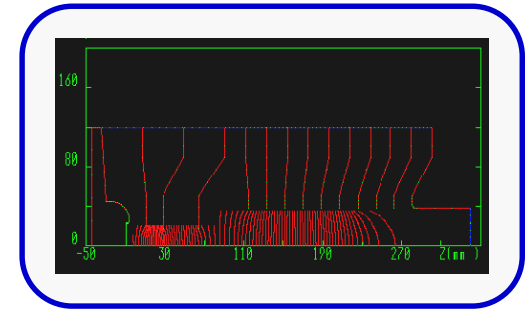
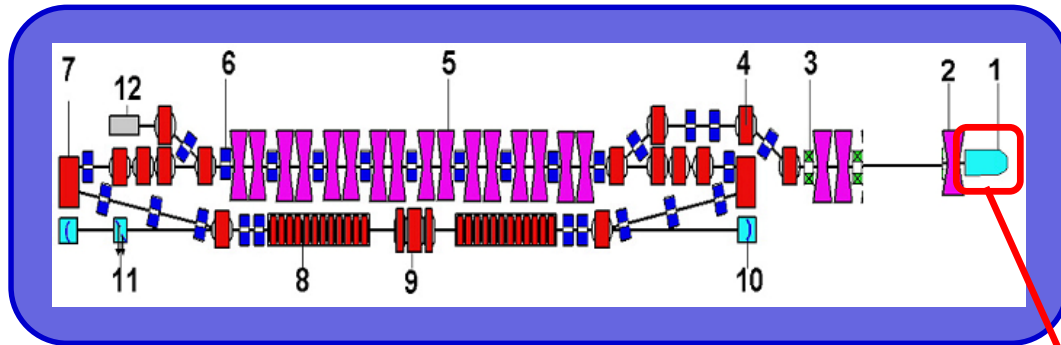


- 1 – electron gun
- 2 – bunching cavity
- 3 – focusing solenoids
- 4 – merger
- 5 – main linac
- 6 – focusing quadrupoles

- 7 – magnetic mirror
- 8 – undulator
- 9 – phase shifter
- 10 – optical cavity
- 11 – calorimeter
- 12 – beam dump



# Electrostatic Gun



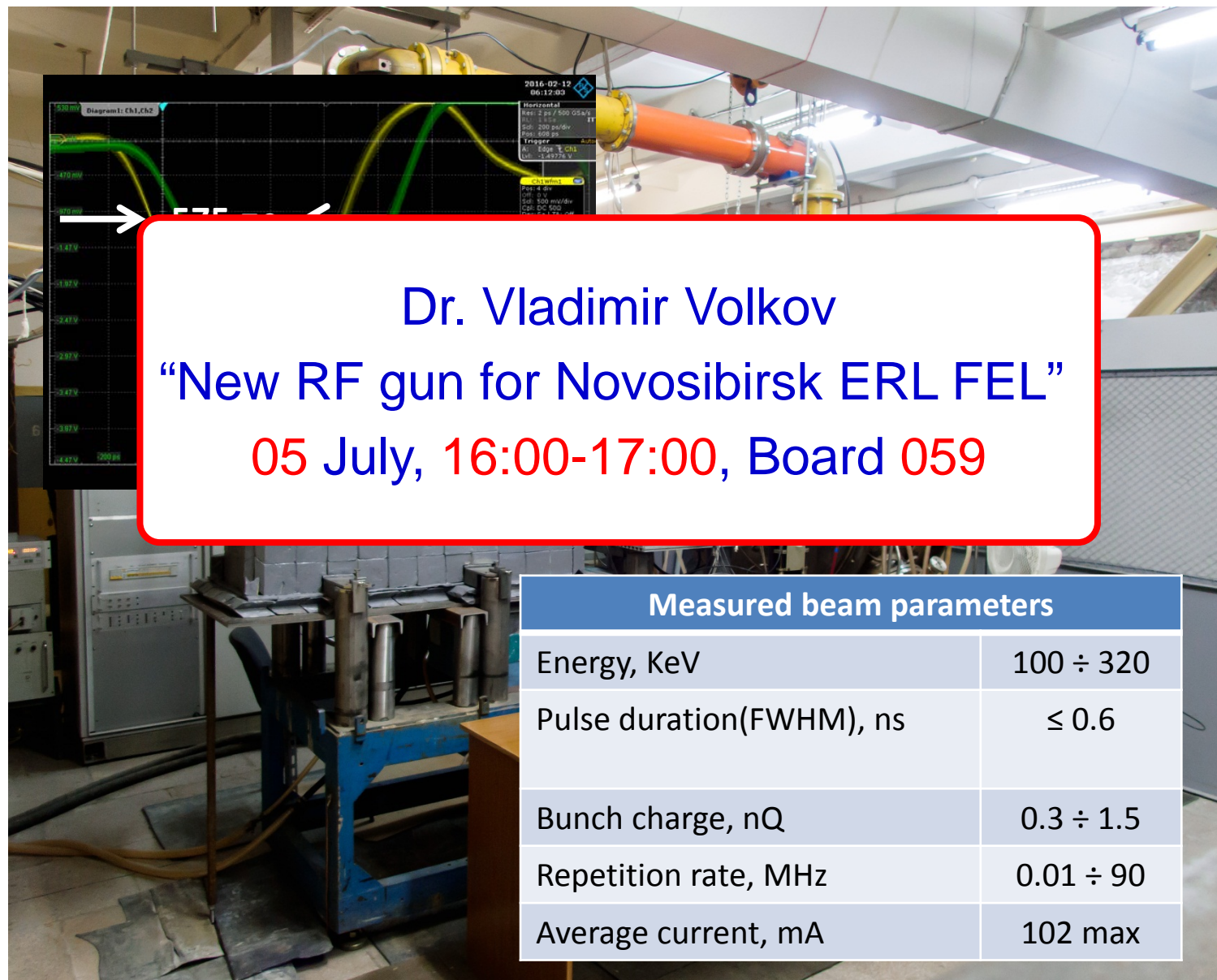
*Power supply:*

$$U_{\max} = 300 \text{ kV}$$

$$I_{\max} = 50 \text{ mA}$$



# RF Gun Test Setup

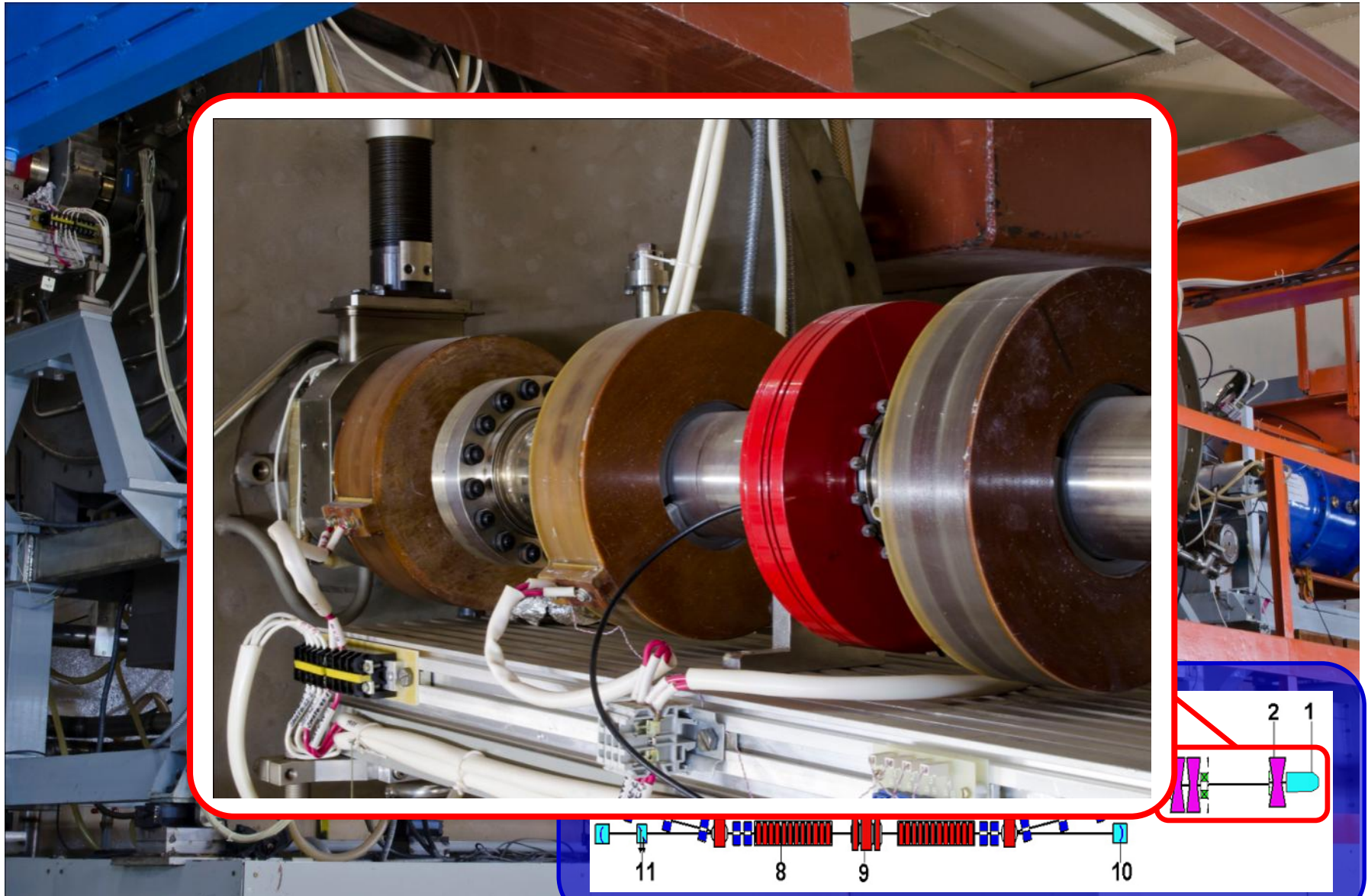


Dr. Vladimir Volkov  
“New RF gun for Novosibirsk ERL FEL”  
05 July, 16:00-17:00, Board 059

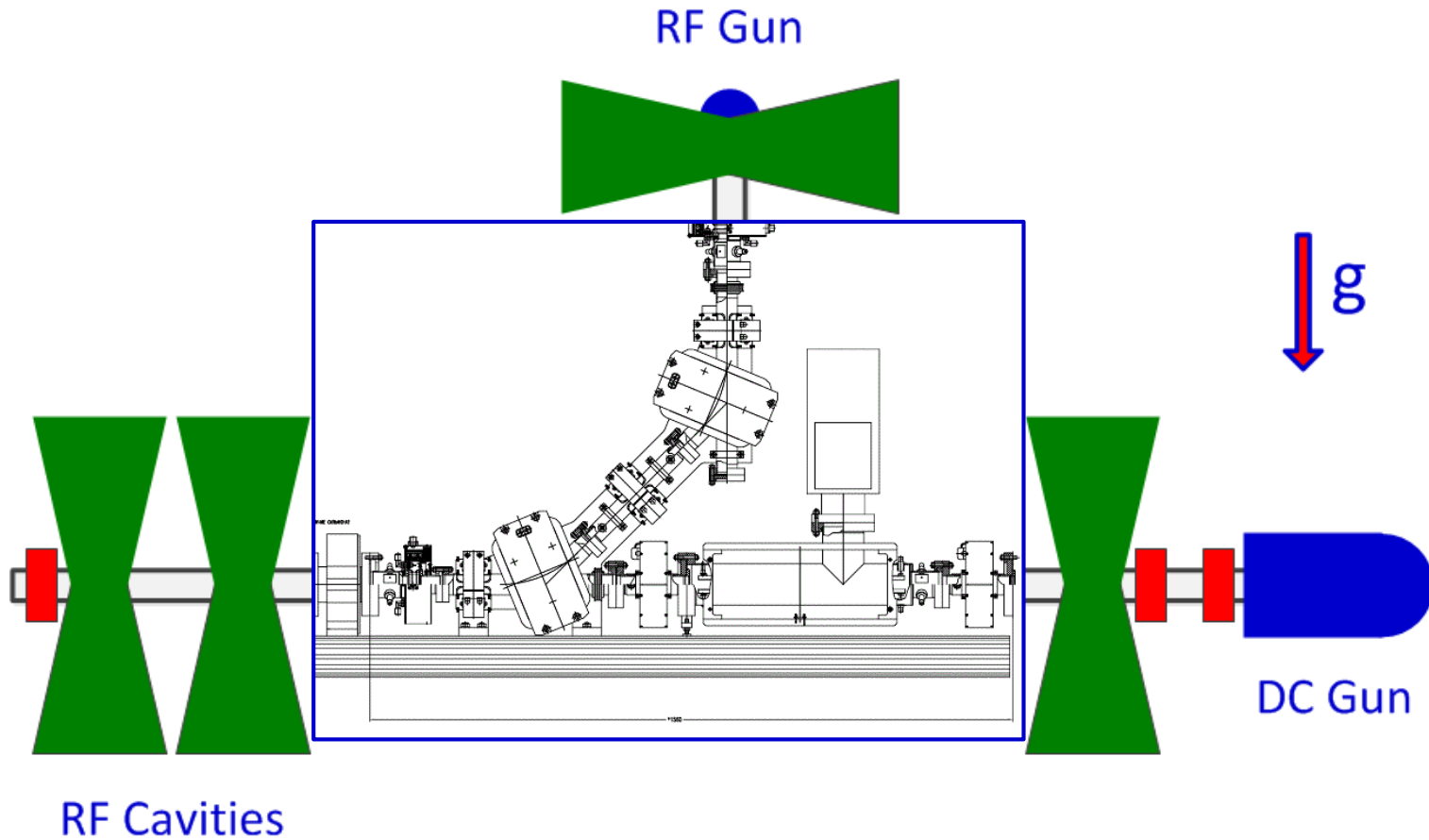
## Measured beam parameters

Energy, KeV	100 ÷ 320
Pulse duration(FWHM), ns	≤ 0.6
Bunch charge, nQ	0.3 ÷ 1.5
Repetition rate, MHz	0.01 ÷ 90
Average current, mA	102 max

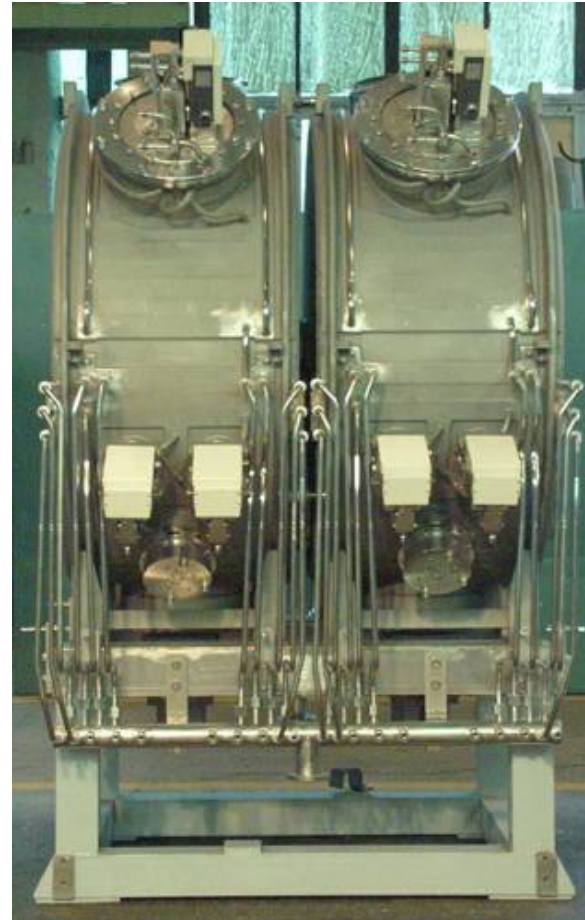
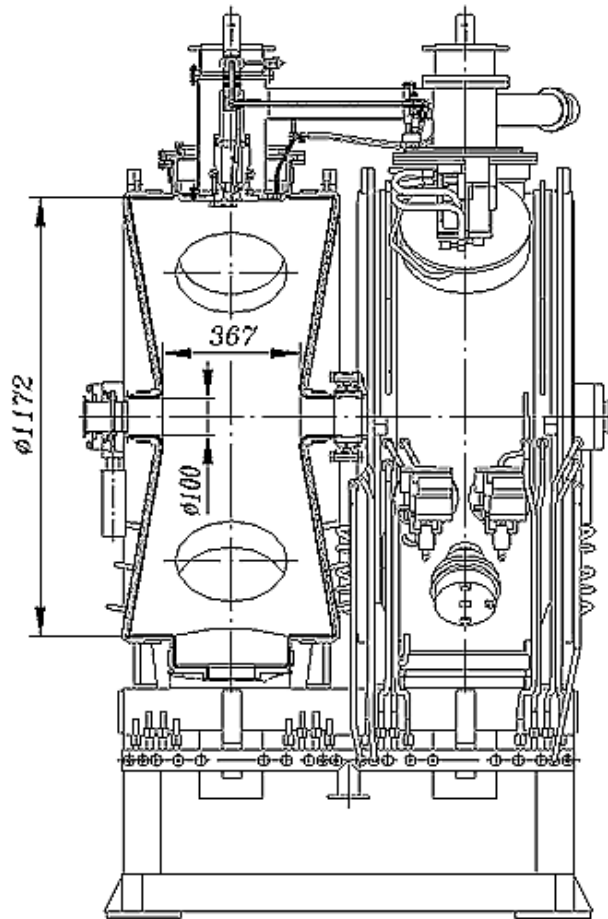
# Injector



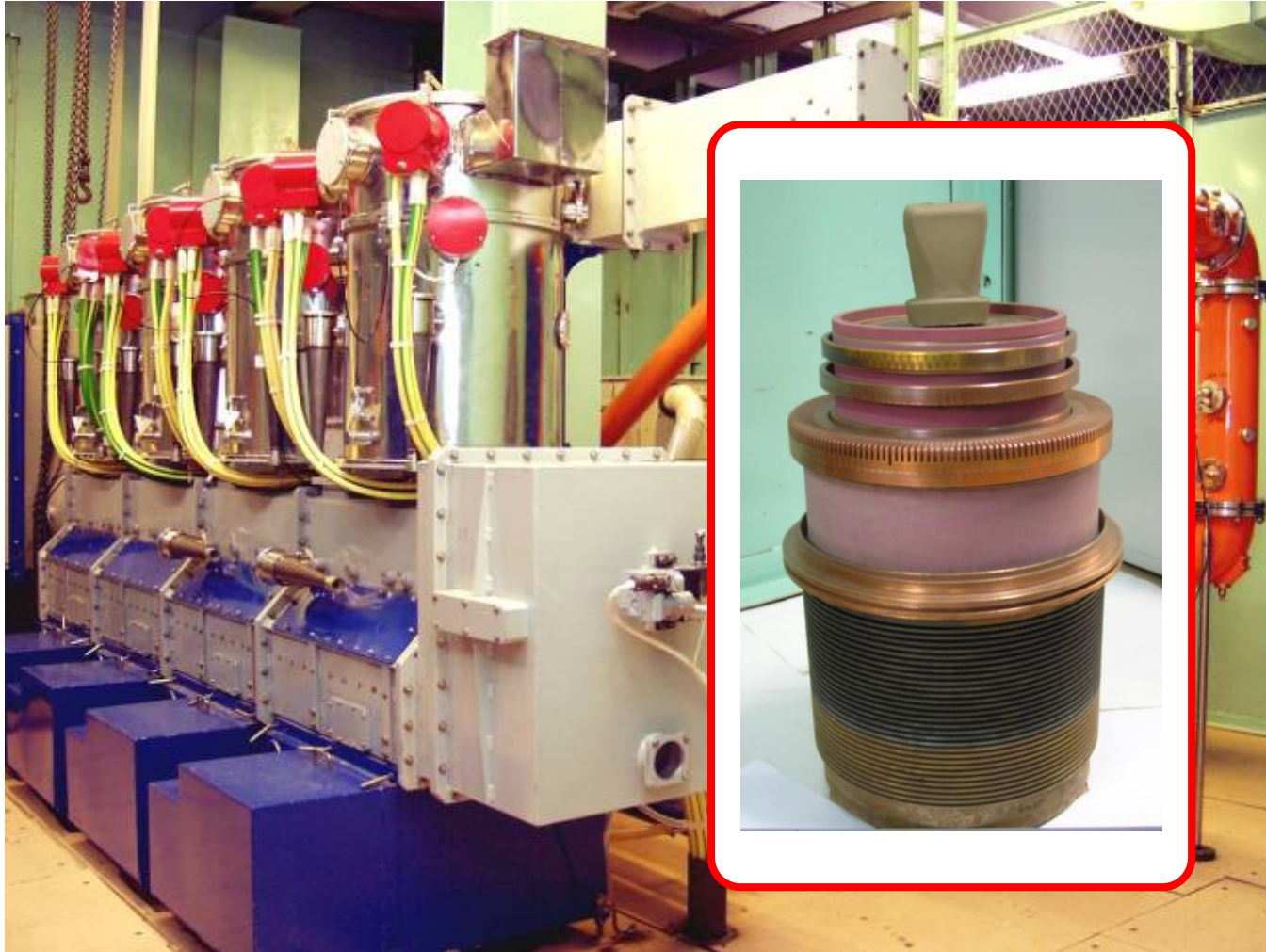
# RF Gun Installation Layout



# Main Linac

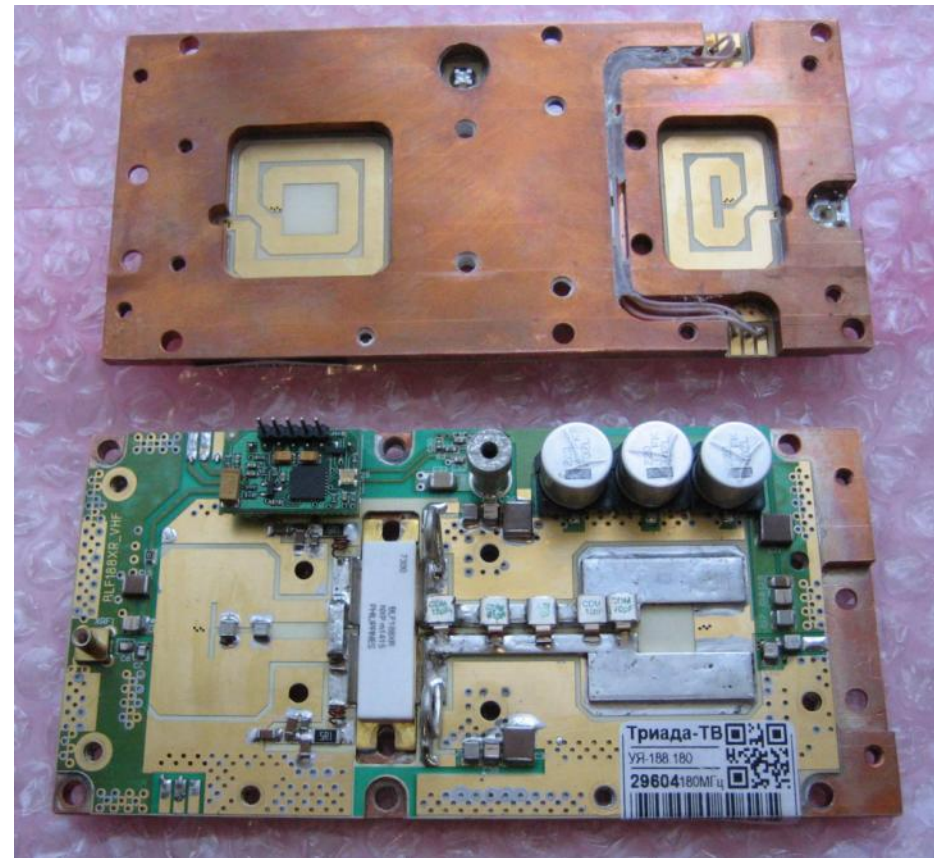


# RF Power Supply



<b>Frequency, MHz</b>	<b>180.4</b>
<b>Power, MW</b>	<b>2 x 0.6</b>

# New Amplifier for the Bunching Cavity



$f = 180$  MHz, efficiency = 52 %

$P_{IN} = 1$  W,  $P_{OUT} = 5$  kW

8 transistors NXP BLF188XR

water cooling

# Layout of Horizontal Beamlines (the Second and the Third ERLs)

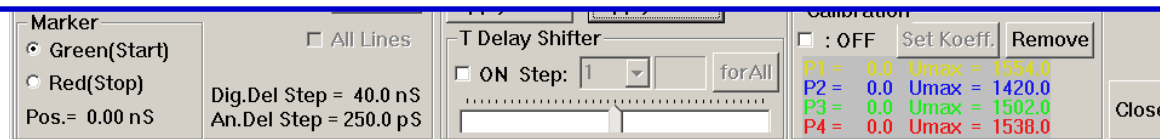
22 May 2012 – the first time the beam reached the dump  
after four accelerations and four decelerations



90% of beam current comes to the dump, the working repetition  
rate 3.75 MHz and average current 3.2 mA are obtained

Only about 3% of beam current is lost with energy > 12 MeV

Less than 1% of beam current is lost at the last track

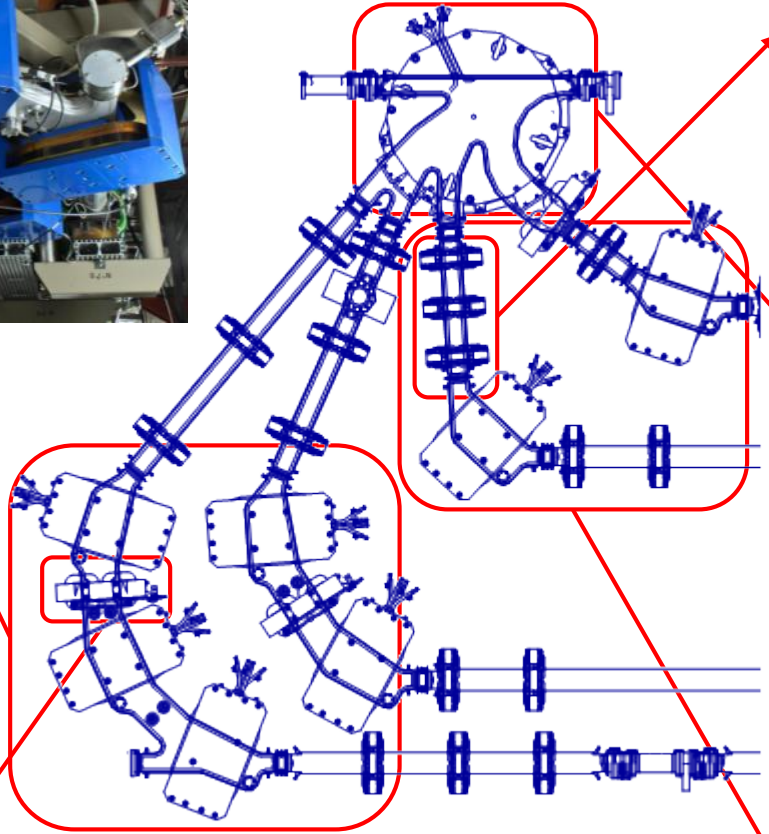


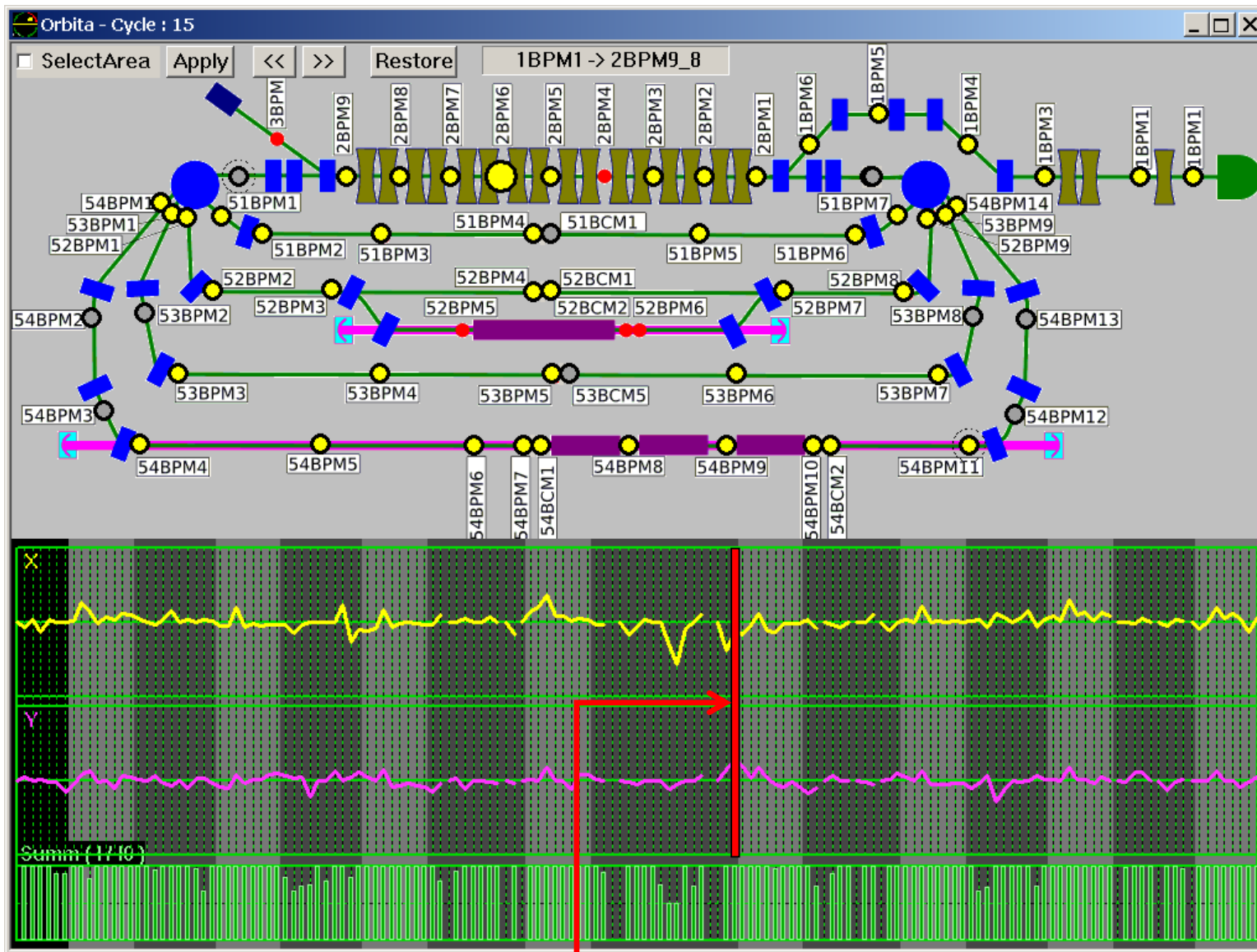
A screenshot of a control interface showing various parameters and settings. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Marker:** Radio buttons for 'Green(Start)' and 'Red(Stop)'. 'Pos.= 0.00 nS' is displayed.
- All Lines:** A checkbox labeled 'All Lines'.
- Delay Shifter:** A section with 'Dig.Del Step = 40.0 nS' and 'An.Del Step = 250.0 pS'. It includes a 'T Delay Shifter' label, an 'ON Step' dropdown menu, and a 'forAll' button.
- Calibration:** A section with a checkbox labeled ': OFF', a 'Set Koeff.' button, and a 'Remove' button. It displays four rows of data:
  - P1 = 0.0 Umax = 1554.0
  - P2 = 0.0 Umax = 1420.0
  - P3 = 0.0 Umax = 1502.0
  - P4 = 0.0 Umax = 1538.0
- Close:** A 'Close' button.



# Magnets and Vacuum Chamber of Bends

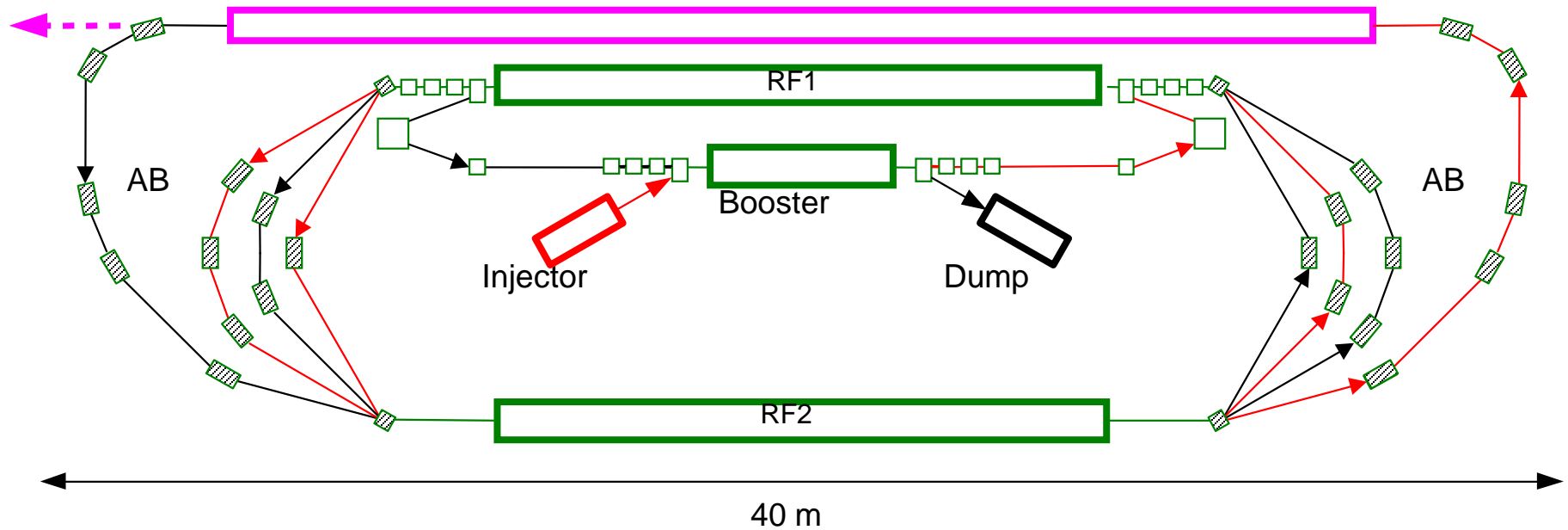




Beam trajectory can be adjusted only before this point

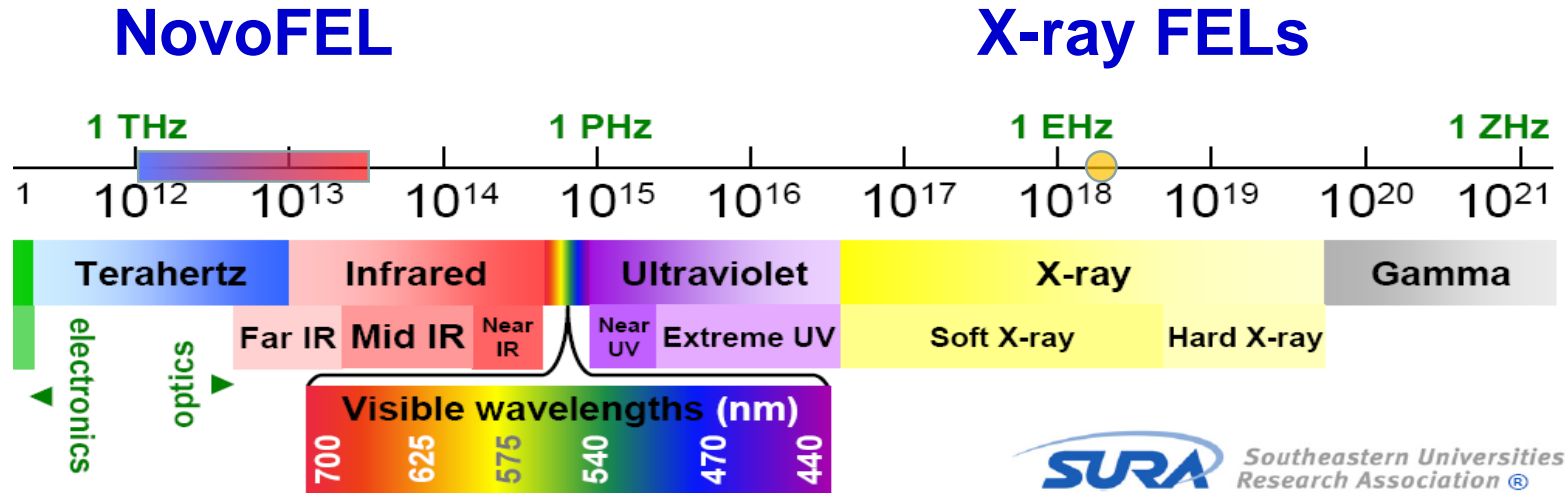
# Compact 13.5-nm free-electron laser for extreme ultraviolet lithography

Y.Socol, G.N.Kulipanov, A.N.Matveenko, O.A.Shevchenko and N.A.Vinokurov,  
FEL10



With 10-T superconducting magnet it may be used to generate 20-fs periodic x-ray pulses, which are necessary for time-resolved experiments, which use femtoslicing technique at storage rings now. But, the number of useful photons is thousands times more.

# NovoFEL as Radiation Source



The most attractive ranges for FELs are at very short and at very long wavelength, where there are no other lasers

One of the main FEL advantages is the ability to adjust the wavelength

Variation of magnetic field

$$\lambda = \lambda_u \frac{1}{2\gamma^2} \left( 1 + \frac{K^2}{2} \right)$$

$\lambda_u = 12 \text{ cm}$

$\lambda_u = 6 \text{ cm}$

Electromagnetic undulator

Variable gap undulator

$K \sim 0 \dots 1.5$

$K \sim 0.4 \dots 2.5$

Variation of beam energy

E1  $\sim 10 \dots 13 \text{ MeV}$

E2  $\sim 20 \dots 24 \text{ MeV}$

E3  $\sim 40 \dots 46 \text{ MeV}$

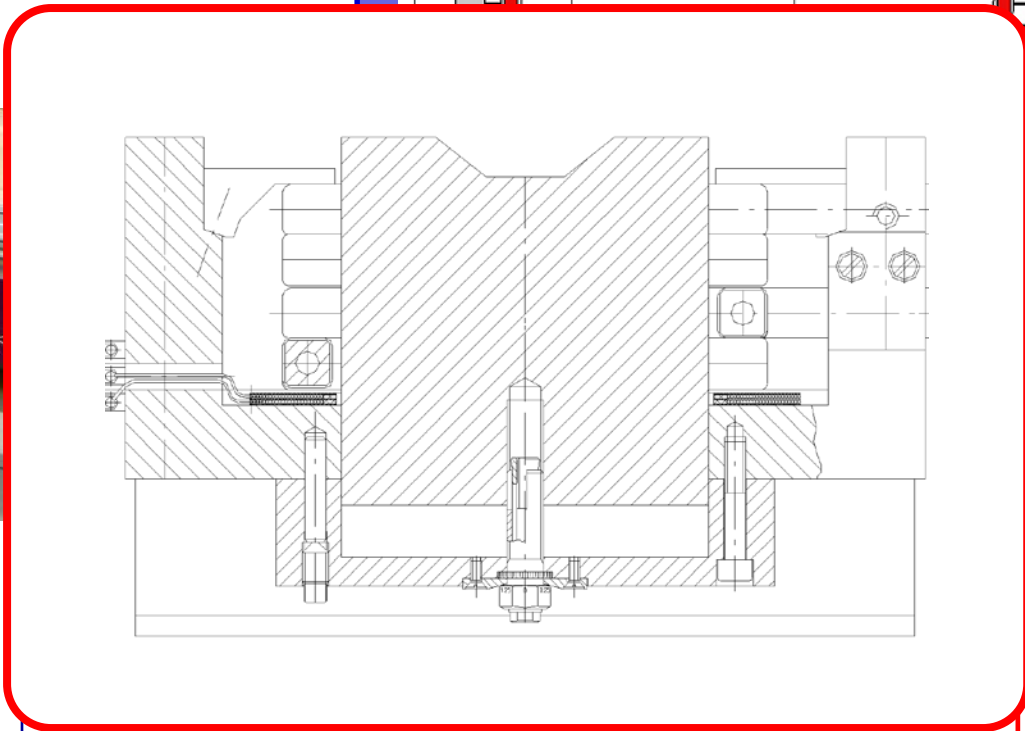
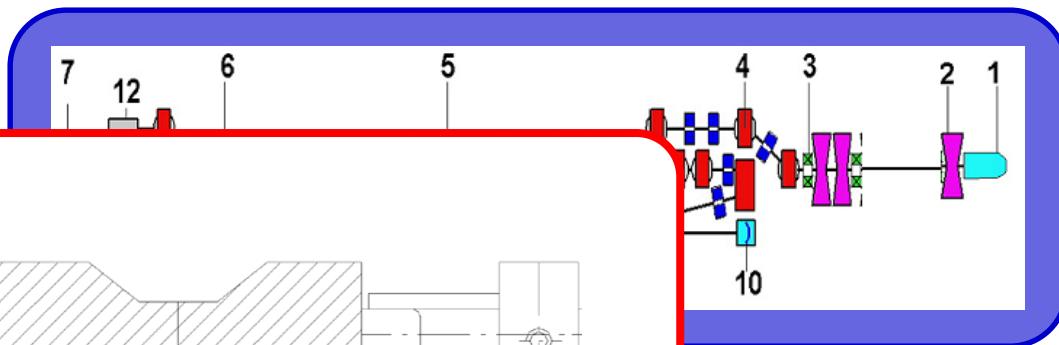
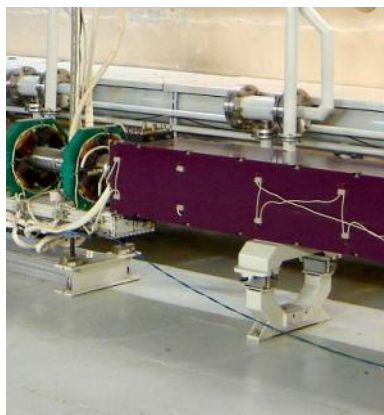
Variation of undulator period

Variable period undulator

$K \sim 0.42 \dots 1.79$      $\lambda_u \sim 4.8 \dots 9.6 \text{ cm}$

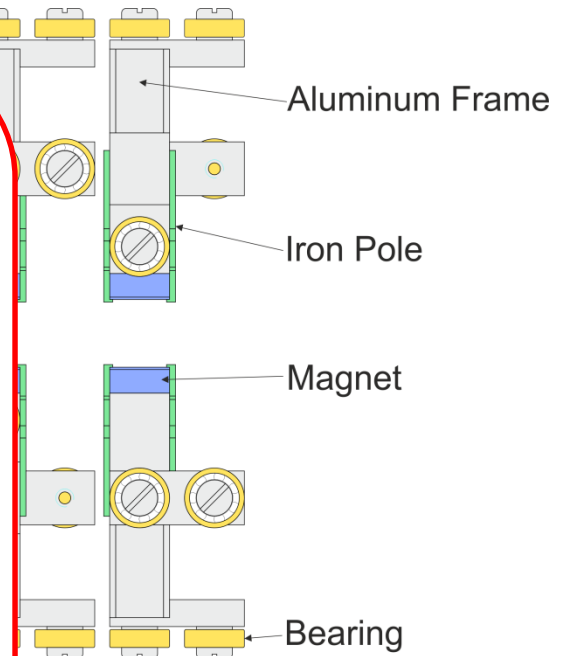
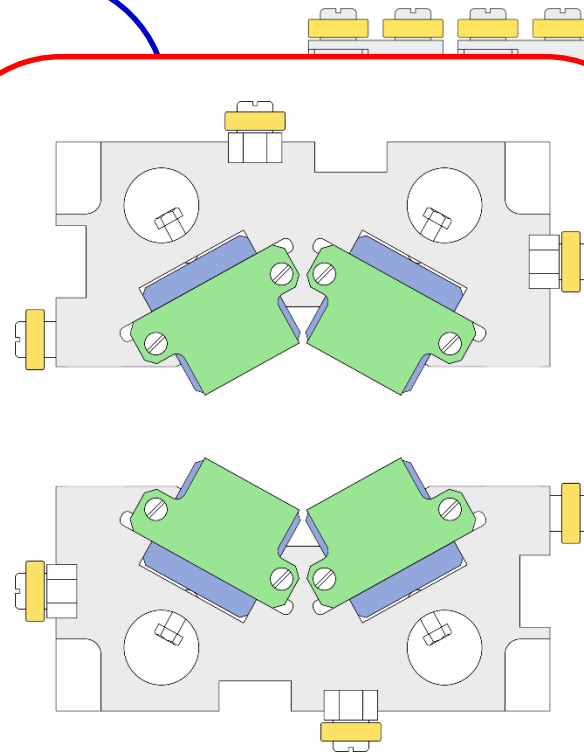
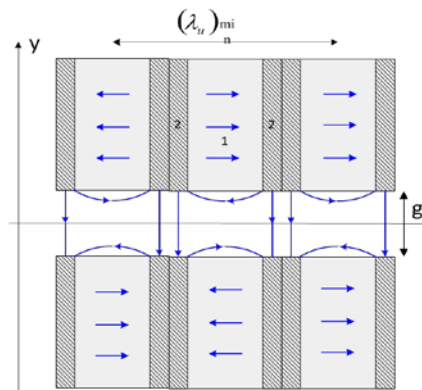
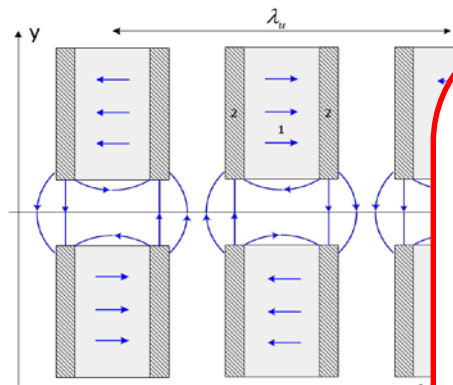


# Electromagnetic Undulators



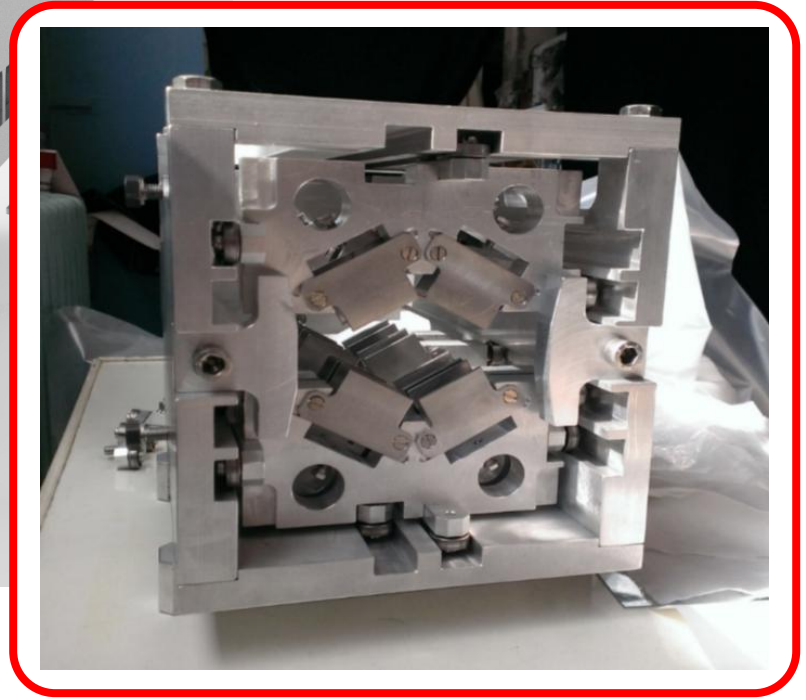
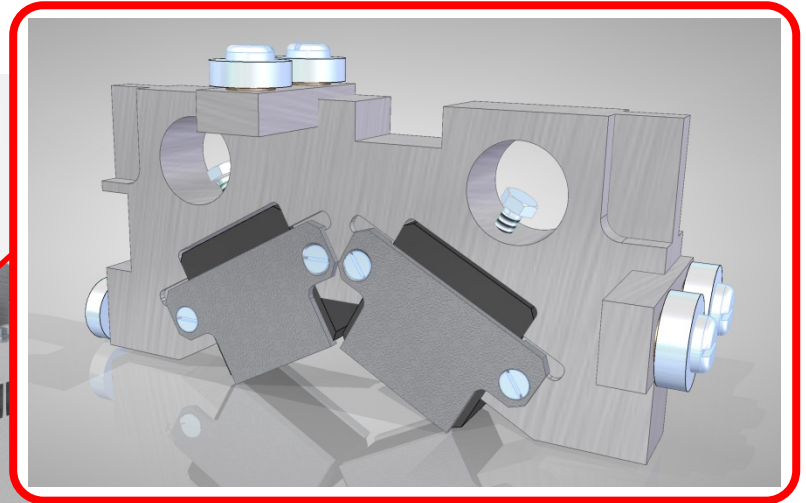
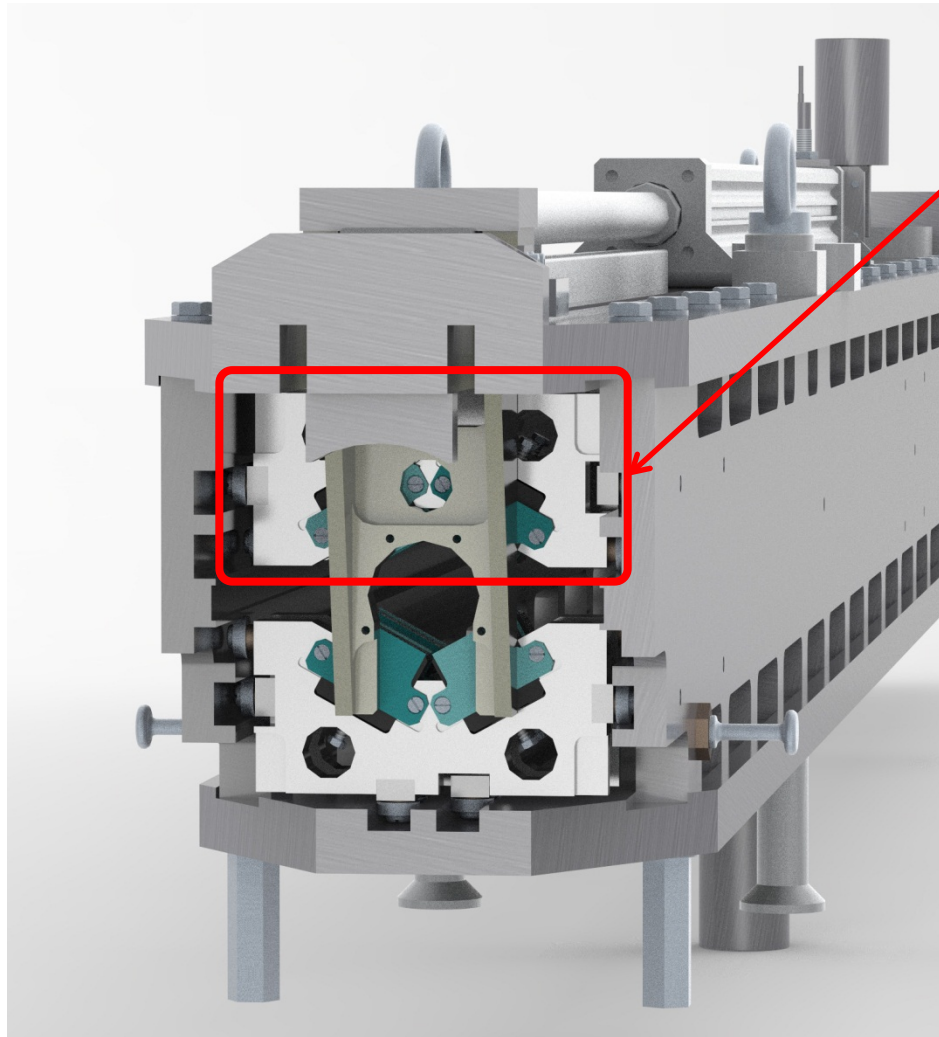
	FEL	FEL
Length, cm	12	12
Maximum current, $\mu\text{A}$	2.4	2.4
Maximum K	1.25	1.47

# Variable Period Undulator (for the 2-d FEL)



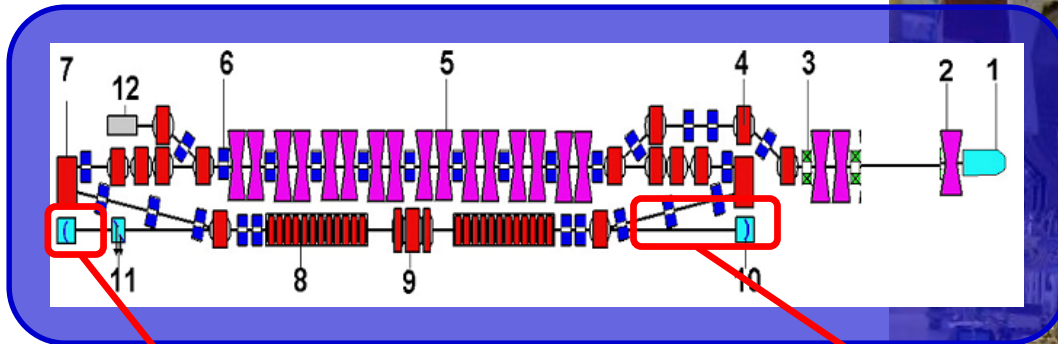
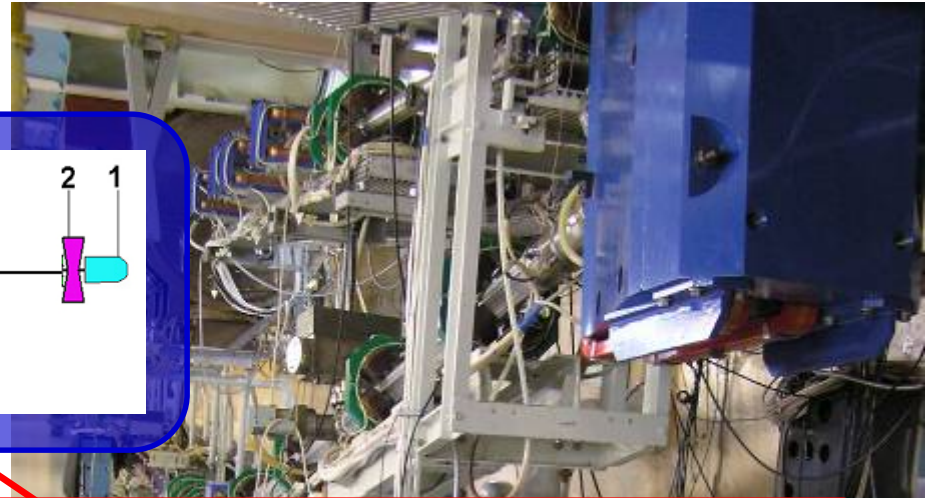
The tunability range of the 2-d FEL  
will be increased from  
**37 - 80** to **15 - 80** microns

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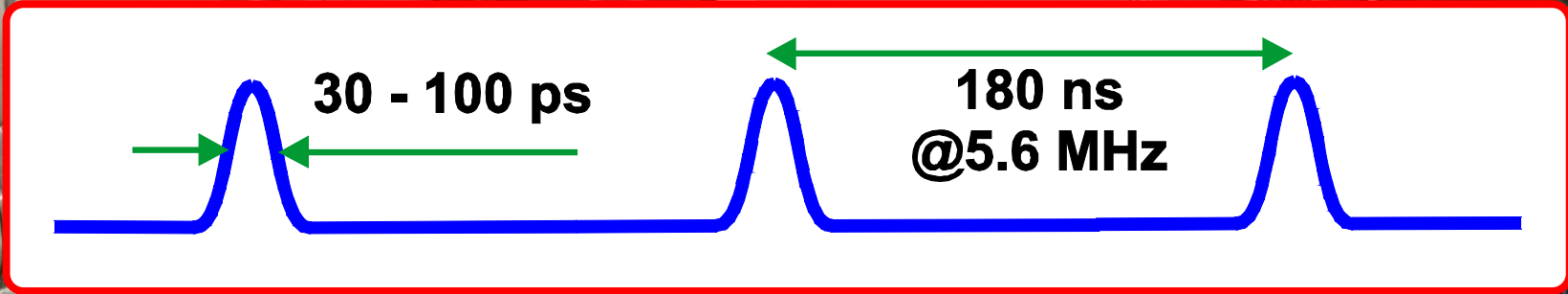
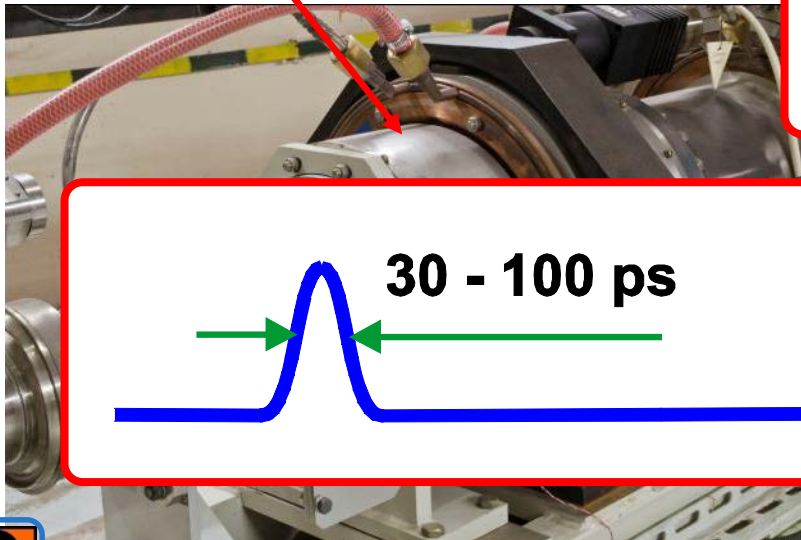




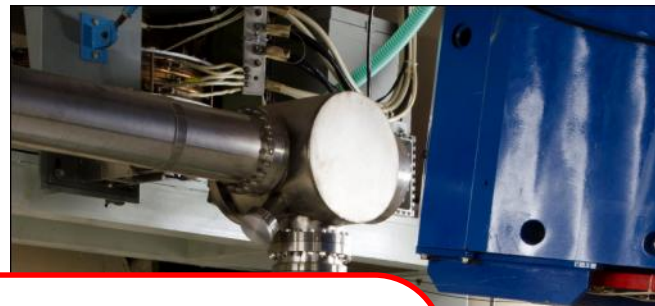
# FEL Optical Cavities



1-st FEL	5.64 MHz	~ 100 ps
2- d FEL	7.52 MHz	~ 50 ps
3- d FEL	3.76 MHz	~ 15 ps



# Optical beamlines and user stations



Prof. Boris Knyazev  
“Novosibirsk free electron  
laser as a user facility”  
Wednesday, 06 July, 09:40

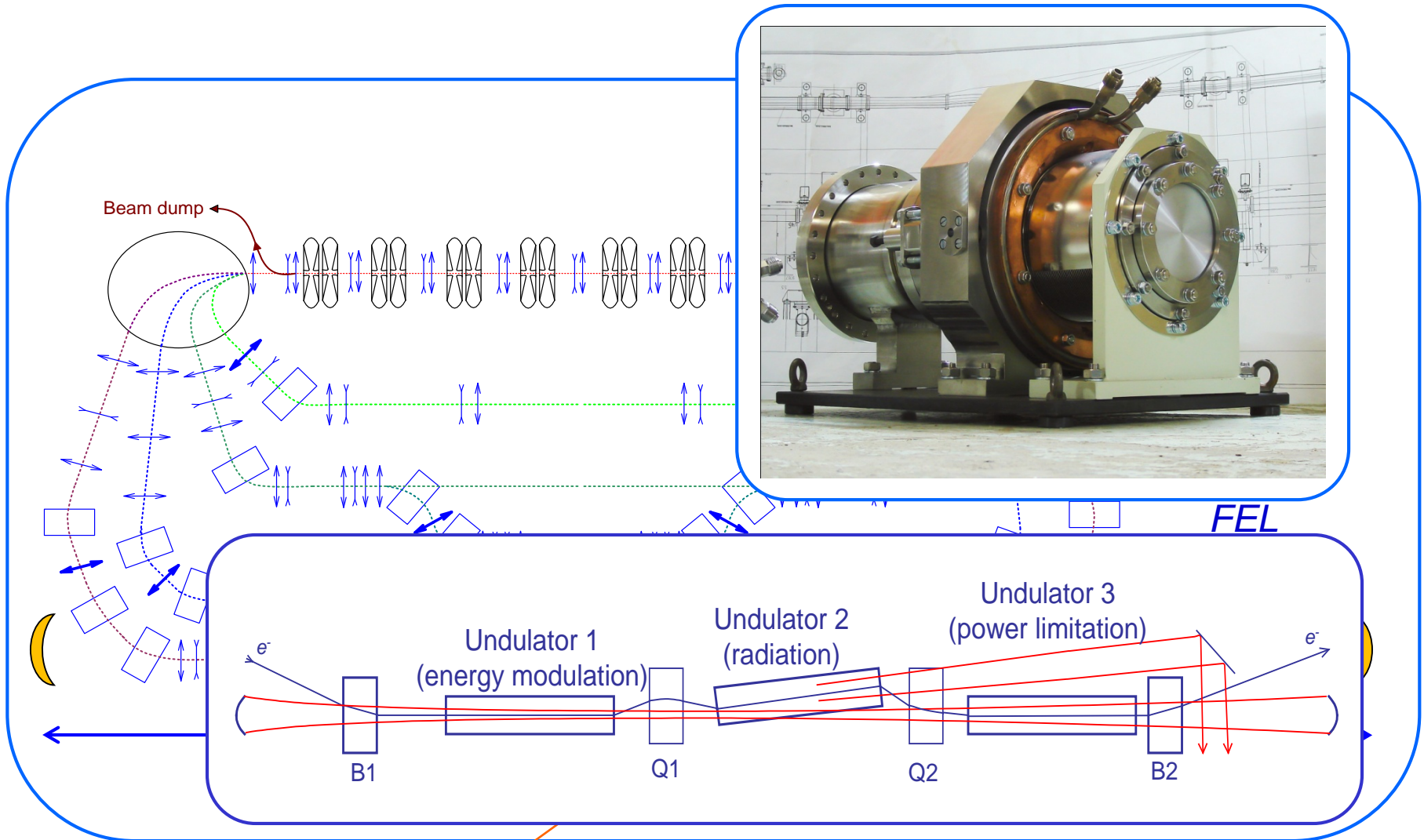


# The 1<sup>st</sup> stage FEL radiation parameters

• Radiation wavelength, microns	90 - 240
• Minimum pulse duration, ps	70
• Repetition rate , MHz	5.6 / 11.2 / 22.4
• Maximum average power, kW	0.5
• Minimum relative linewidth (FWHM)	$3 \cdot 10^{-3}$
• Maximum peak power, MW	1

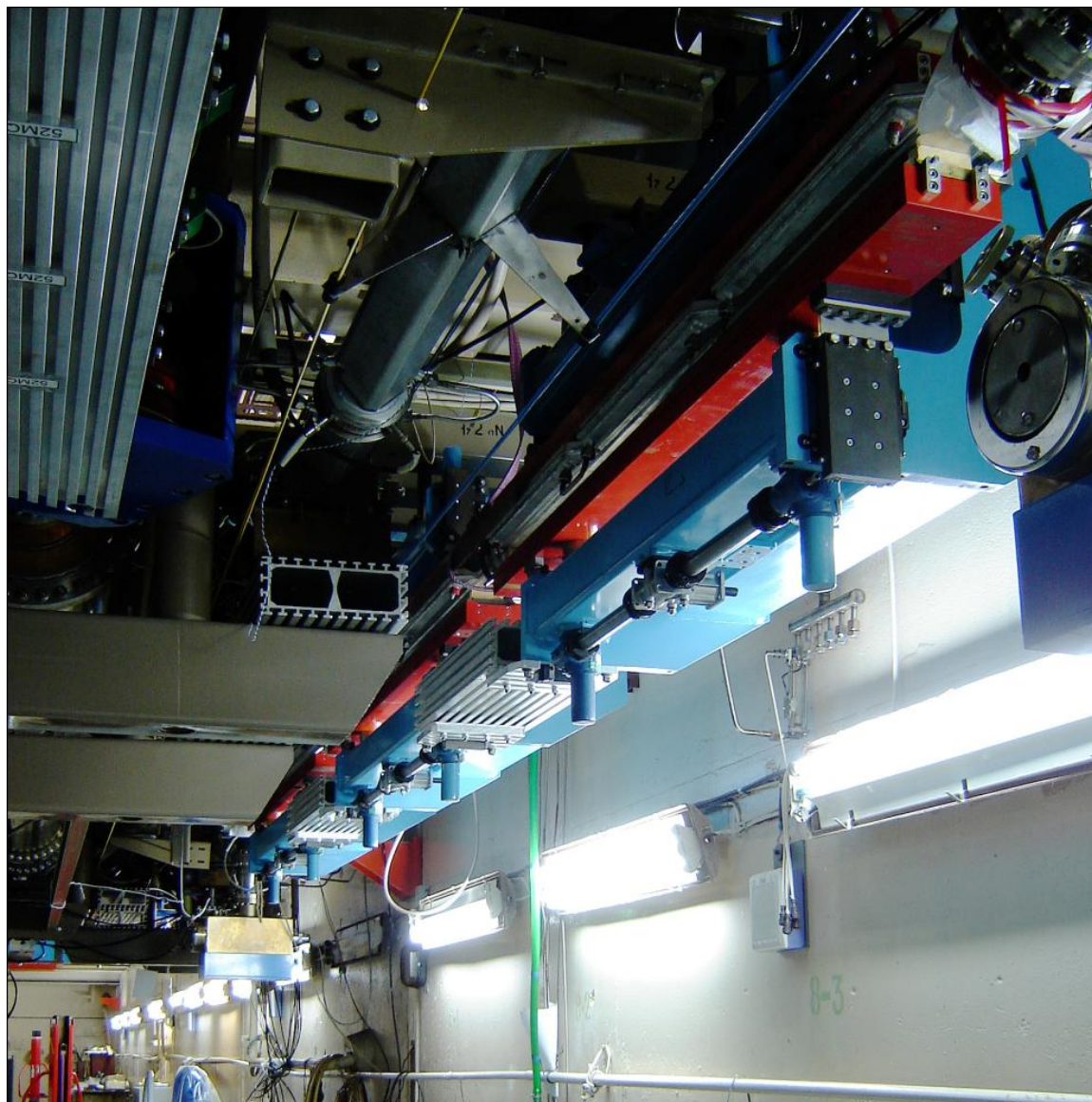
*The obtained radiation parameters are still the **world record** in terahertz region.*

# The Third FEL Design and Commissioning

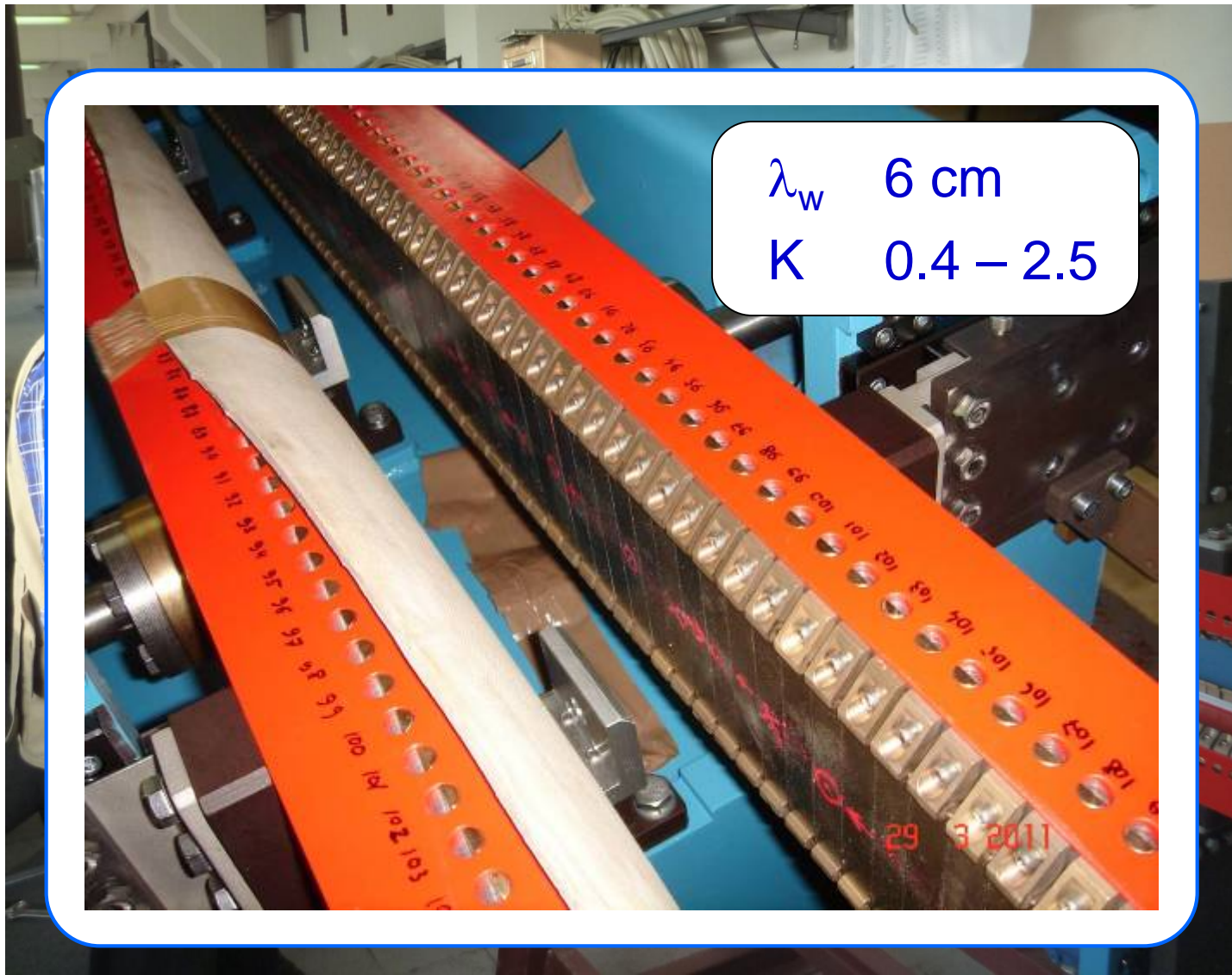


Electron outcoupling scheme may be used here

# The third FEL undulator



# The third stage FEL undulator



# First lasing

## *Challenges*

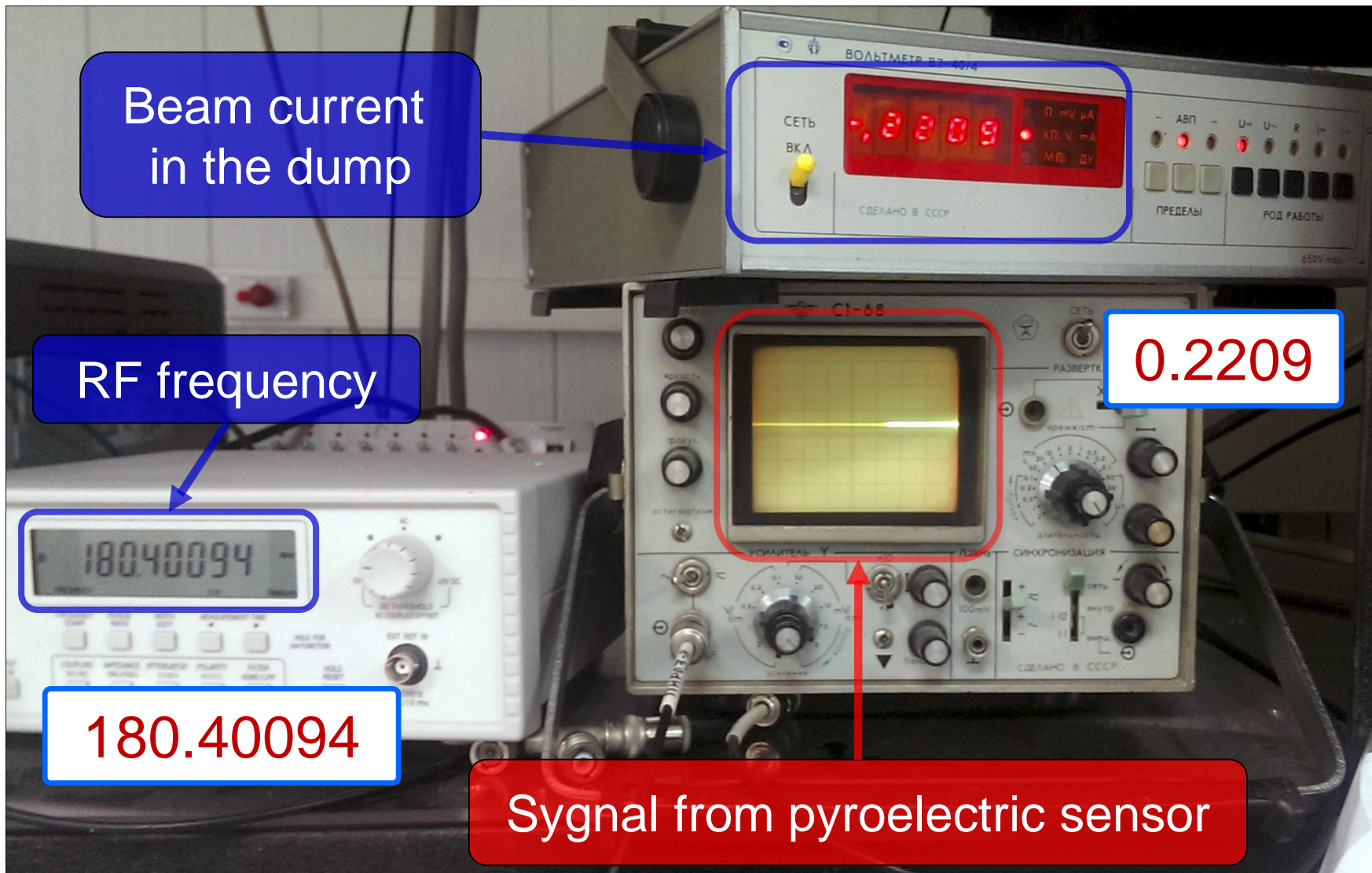
- Align mirrors of 40 meters long optical cavity and adjust the distance between them with accuracy better than 0.3 mm
- Obtain high recovery efficiency in multiturn ERL
- Adjust the beam trajectory in undulator with submillimetric accuracy

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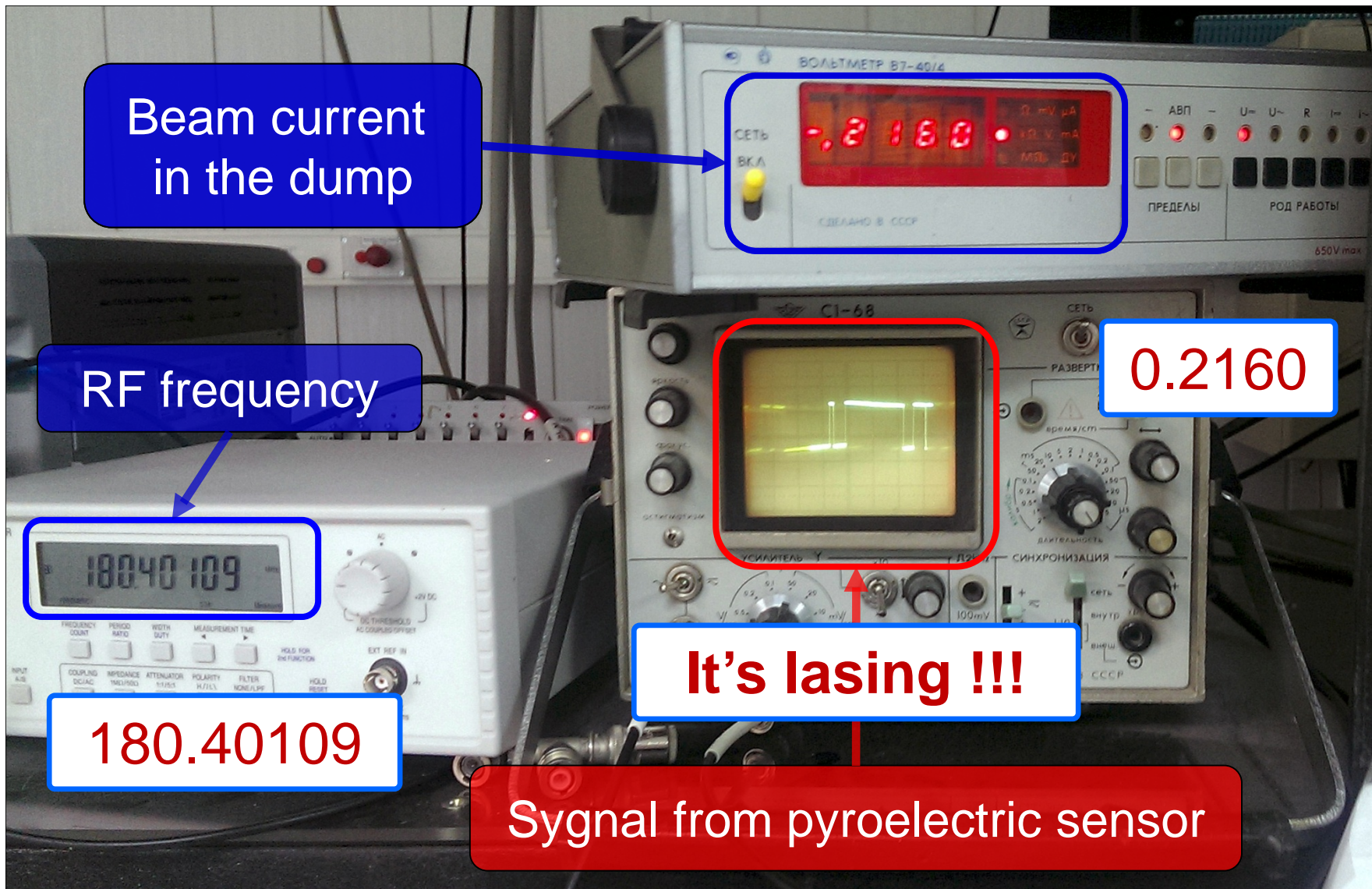


When it's done all that remains is to adjust  
RF frequency and watch carefully





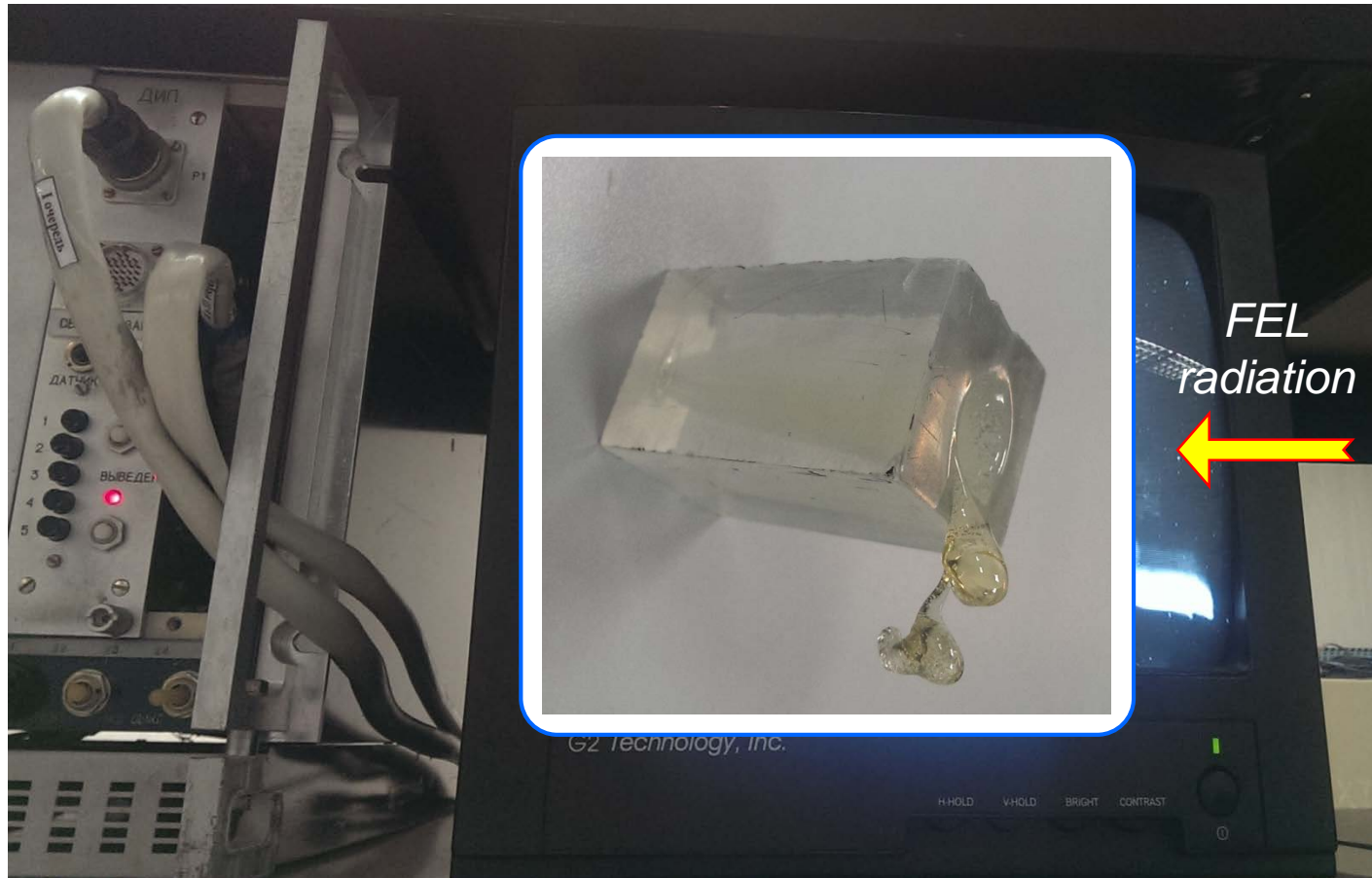
**6 July 2015 – the first lasing**



**6 July 2015 – the first lasing**

# First experiments with 3<sup>rd</sup> stage FEL

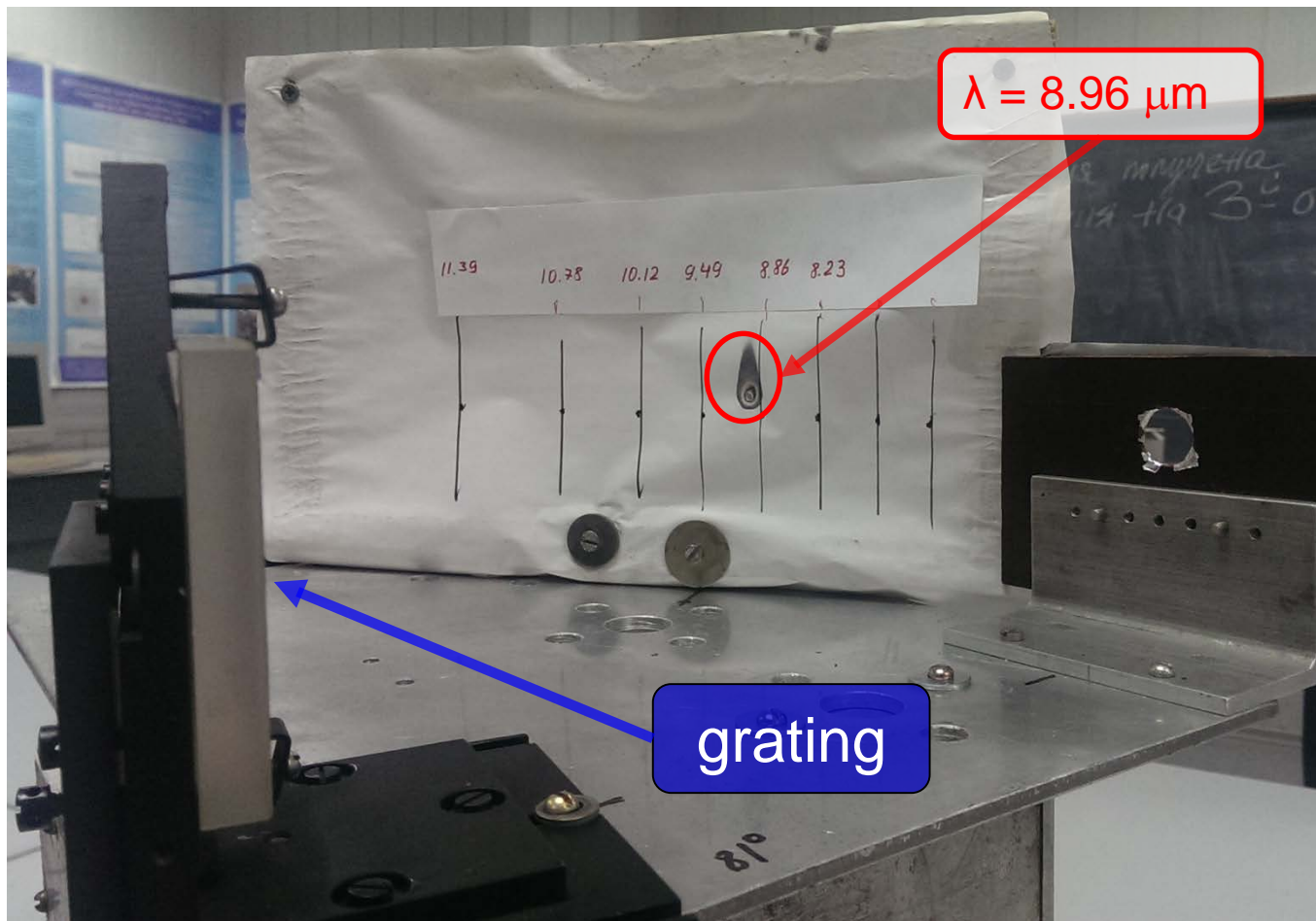
## *Drilling holes in plexiglass*



Radiation power was about 30 watts  
Wavelength 8.96  $\mu\text{m}$

# First experiments with new FEL

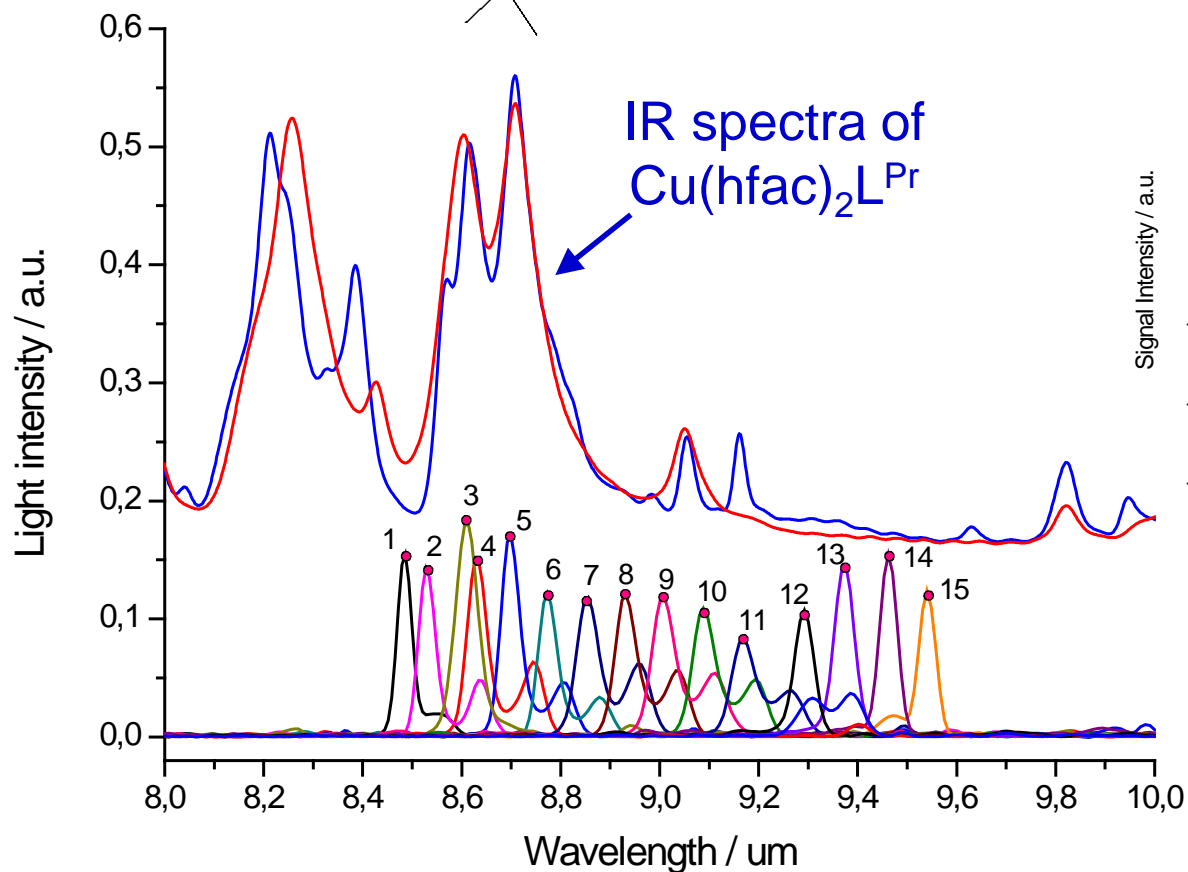
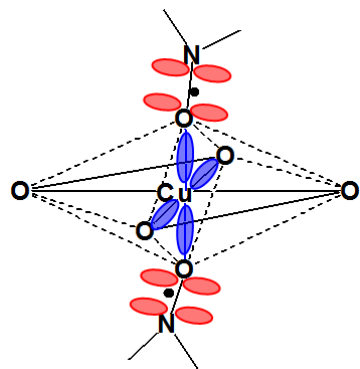
## *Measurement of the radiation wavelength*



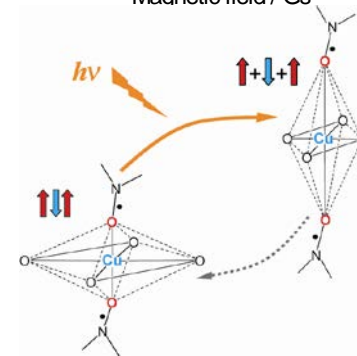
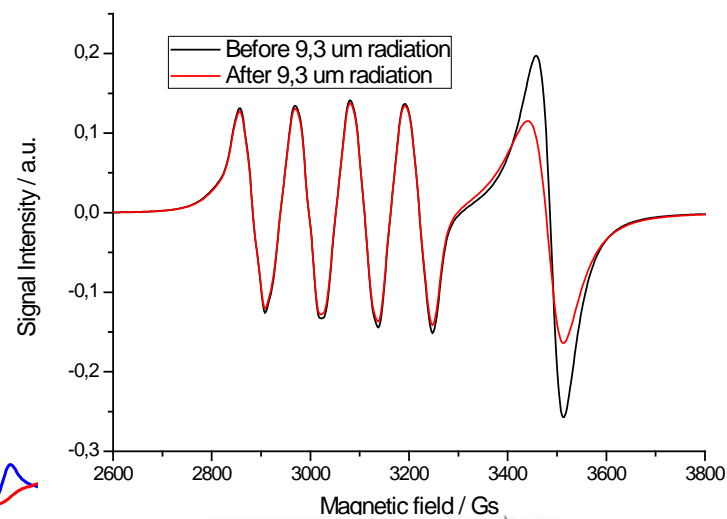


# International Tomography Center SB RAS

Influence of IR-light to the spin state of photoswitchable copper(II)-nitroxide magnetoactive compound  $\text{Cu}(\text{hfac})_2\text{L}^{\text{Pr}}$



## EPR spectra of $\text{Cu}(\text{hfac})_2\text{L}^{\text{Pr}}$



# Electron beam and radiation parameters

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>d</sup>	
Energy, MeV	12	22	<b>42</b>	46
Current, mA	30	10	<b>3</b>	50
Wavelength, $\mu\text{m}$	90-240	37-80	<b>8-11</b>	5-20
Radiation power, kW	0.5	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	5
Electron efficiency, %	0.6	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.5

# Nearest and far future plans

- Optical (SR) diagnostics of electron beam parameters
- Decrease beam losses and increase average current
- Increase DC gun voltage and improve beam quality in injector
- Optimize electron efficiency of FEL
- Improve x-ray and neutron radiation shielding
- Install RF gun

# Nearest and far future experiments

- Selective photochemical reactions
- Infrared laser catalysis
- Separation of isotopes
- ...



# Overview of the NovoFEL facility

- The first stage of Novosibirsk high power free electron laser (NovoFEL) based on one track energy recovery linac (ERL) working in spectral range (90 – 240)  $\mu\text{m}$  was commissioned in 2003.
- The second stage of NovoFEL based on two track energy recovery linac, working in spectral range (37 – 80)  $\mu\text{m}$ , was commissioned in 2009.
- The third stage of NovoFEL based on four track energy recovery linac was commissioned on July of 2015. Spectral range now is (8-11)  $\mu\text{m}$ . Radiation is available for users.

Thank you for your attention!



