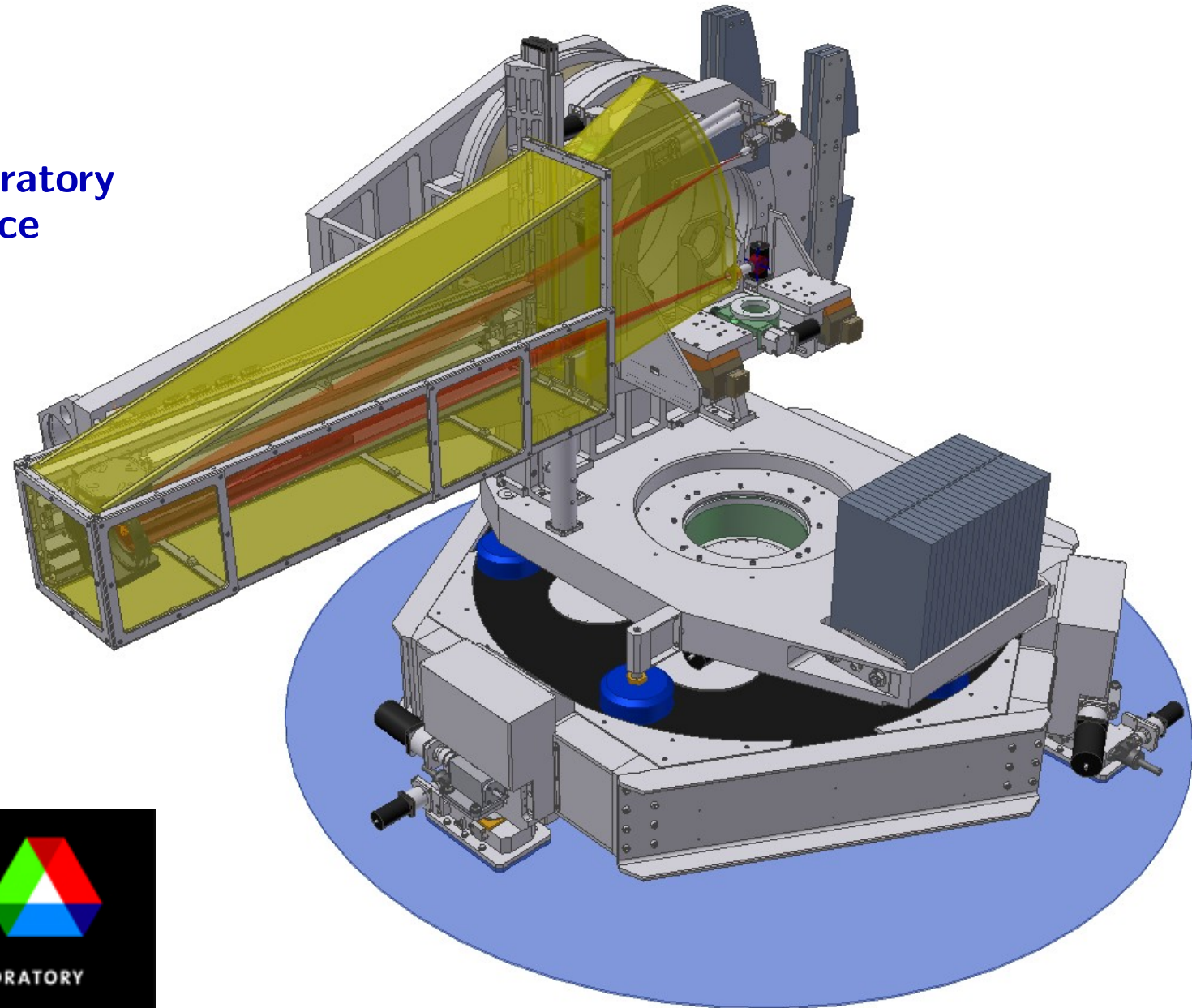


# RIXS Spectroscopy with MERIX

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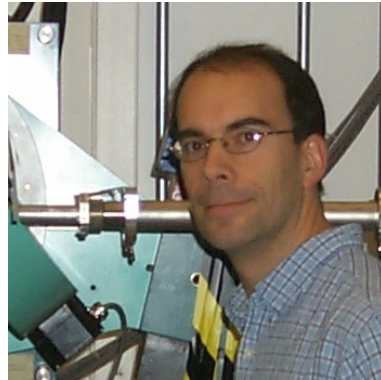
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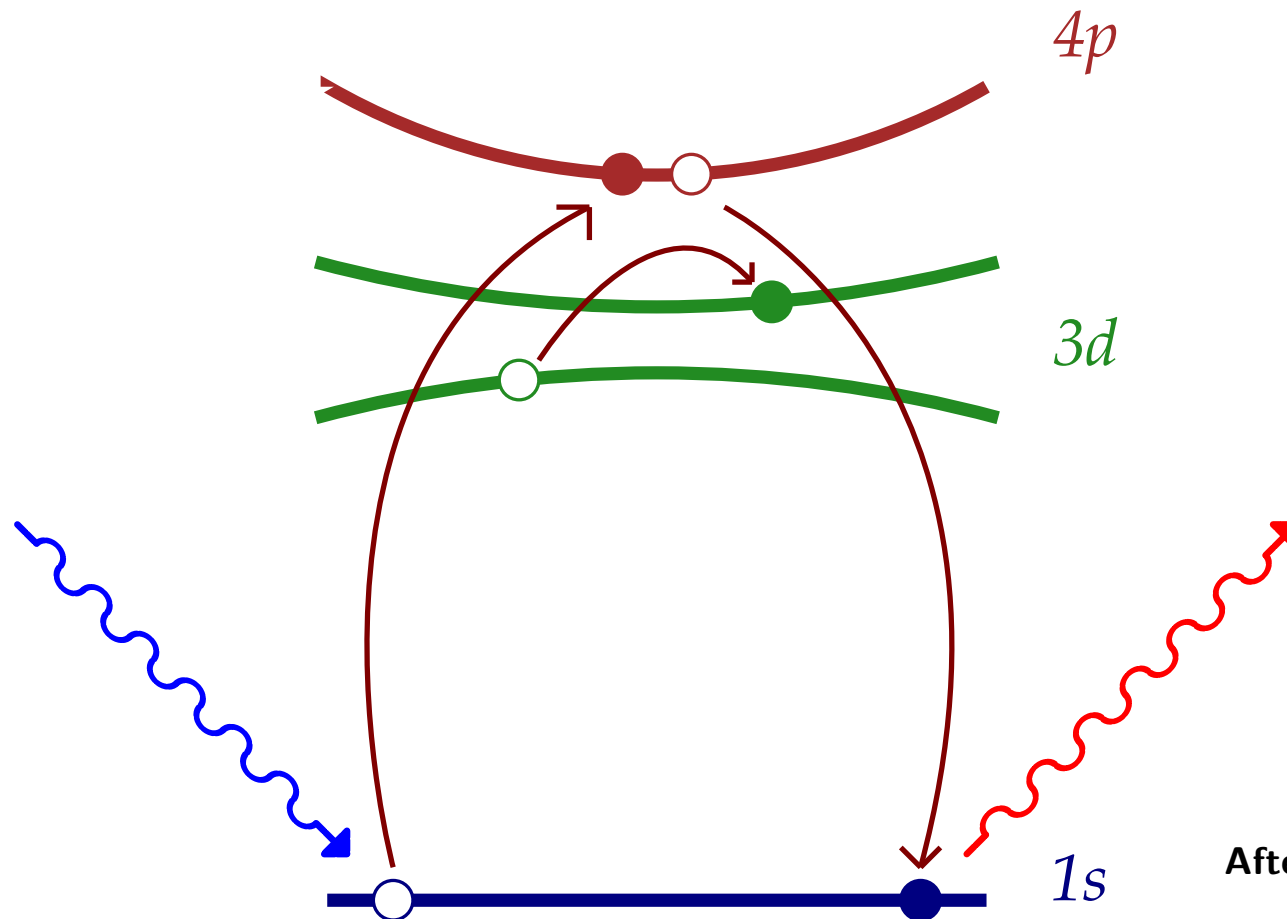
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# K-edge RIXS

RIXS: Photon-in Photon-out spectroscopy.  
No charge particles enter or leave the sample.



Energy losses are due to a “shake-up” process of the valance  $3d$  electrons, in between the creation and annihilation of the  $1s - 4p$  core exciton.

After: K. Tsutsui, T. Toyama, and S. Maekawa  
PRL 91, 117001 (2003)



# RIXS vs. XAS, PES, ARPES, EELS

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**RIXS: captures the physics of charge dynamics by observation of momentum-dependent excitations across the gap.**

- **Probes excited electronic states (charge-transfer,  $d - d$ , etc. excitations)**
- **Momentum-dependent information.**
- **Absence of the deep core hole effects (no lifetime broadening).**
- **Bulk sensitive.**
- **Element specific.**
- **Resonantly enhanced.**
- **Applicable to metals and insulators (photon-in, photon-out).**
- **Allows studies under extreme conditions (high pressure, magnetic fields, extreme temperatures, etc.).**



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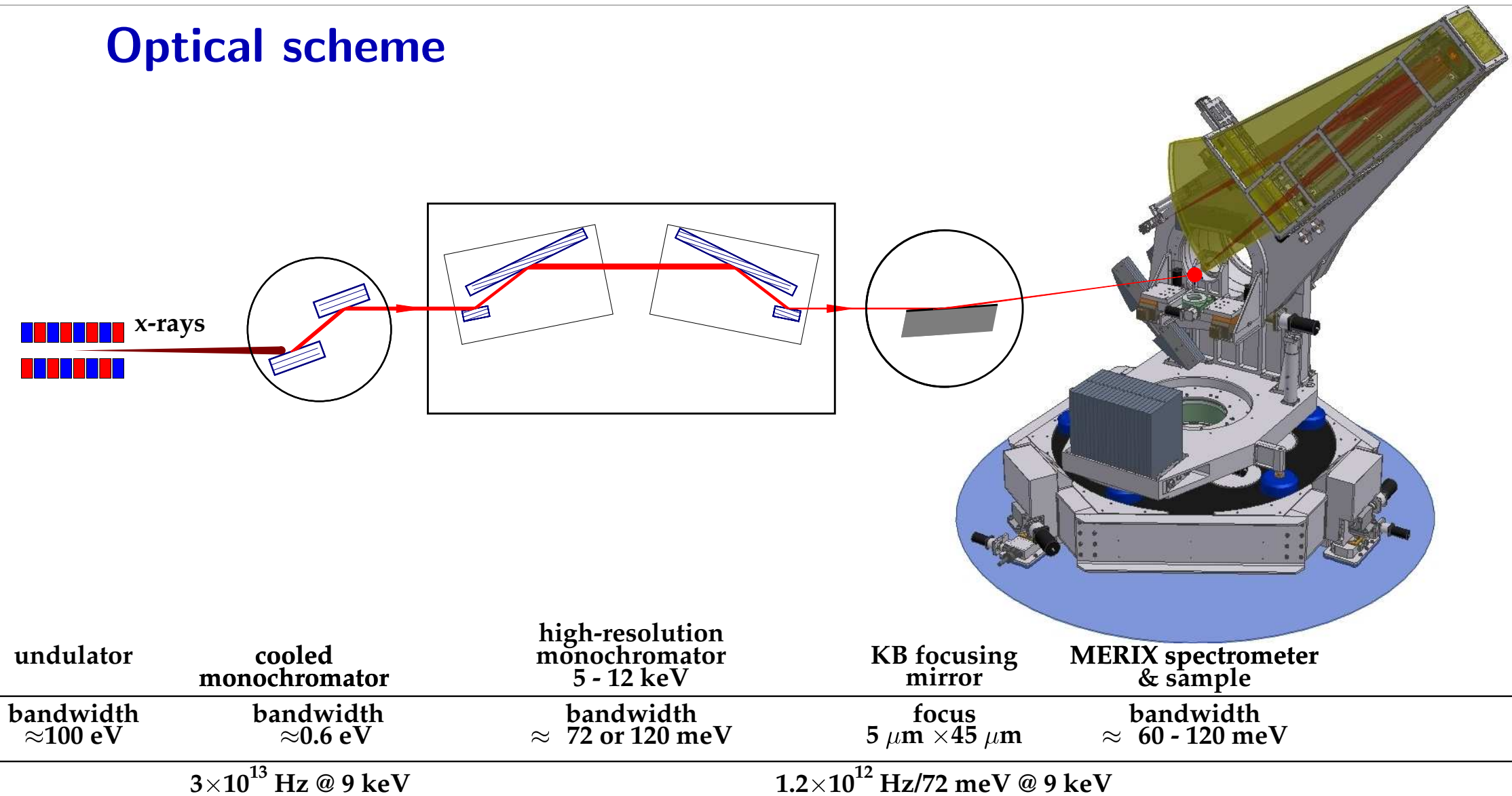
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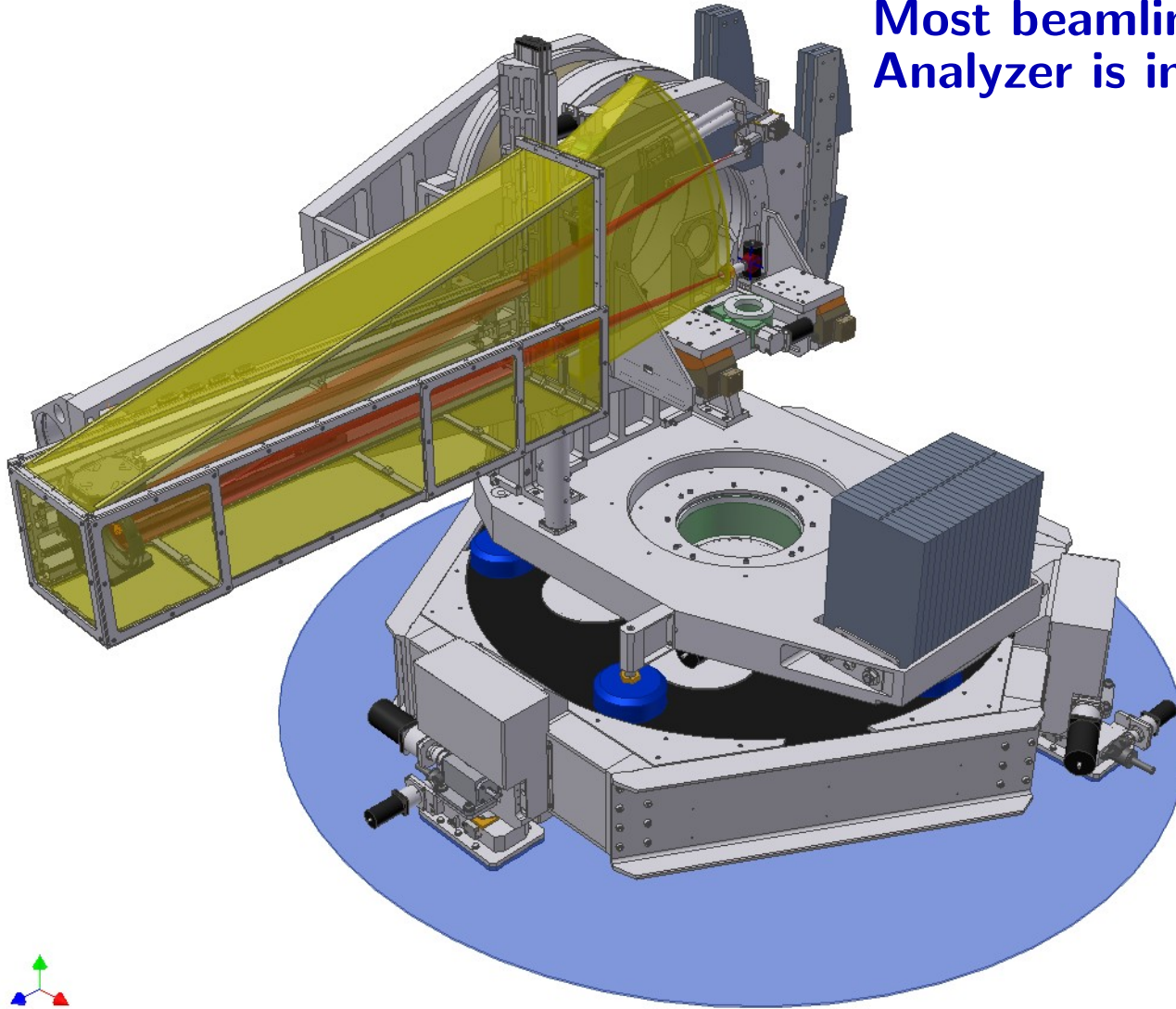




# MERIX Spectrometer - Design

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Most beamline components are in-vacuum  
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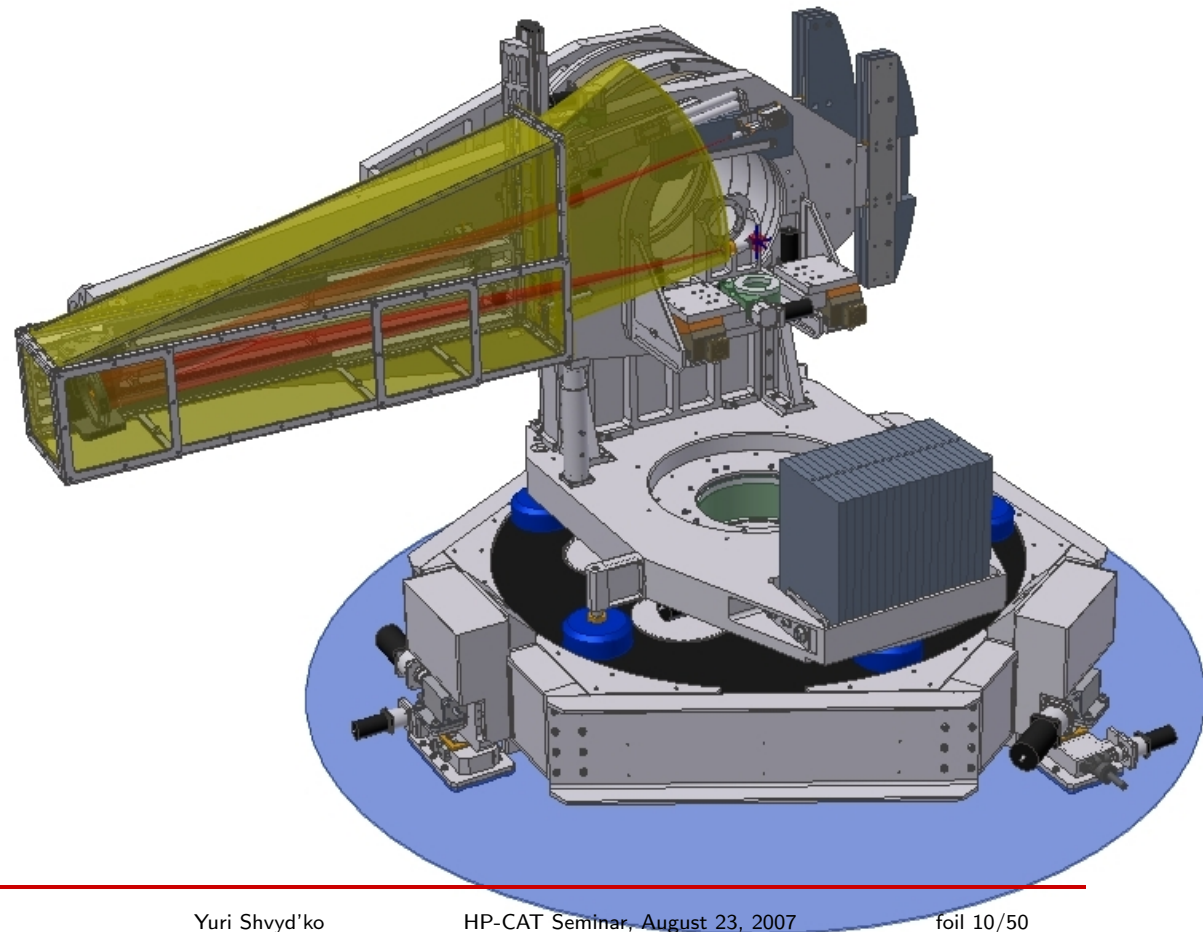
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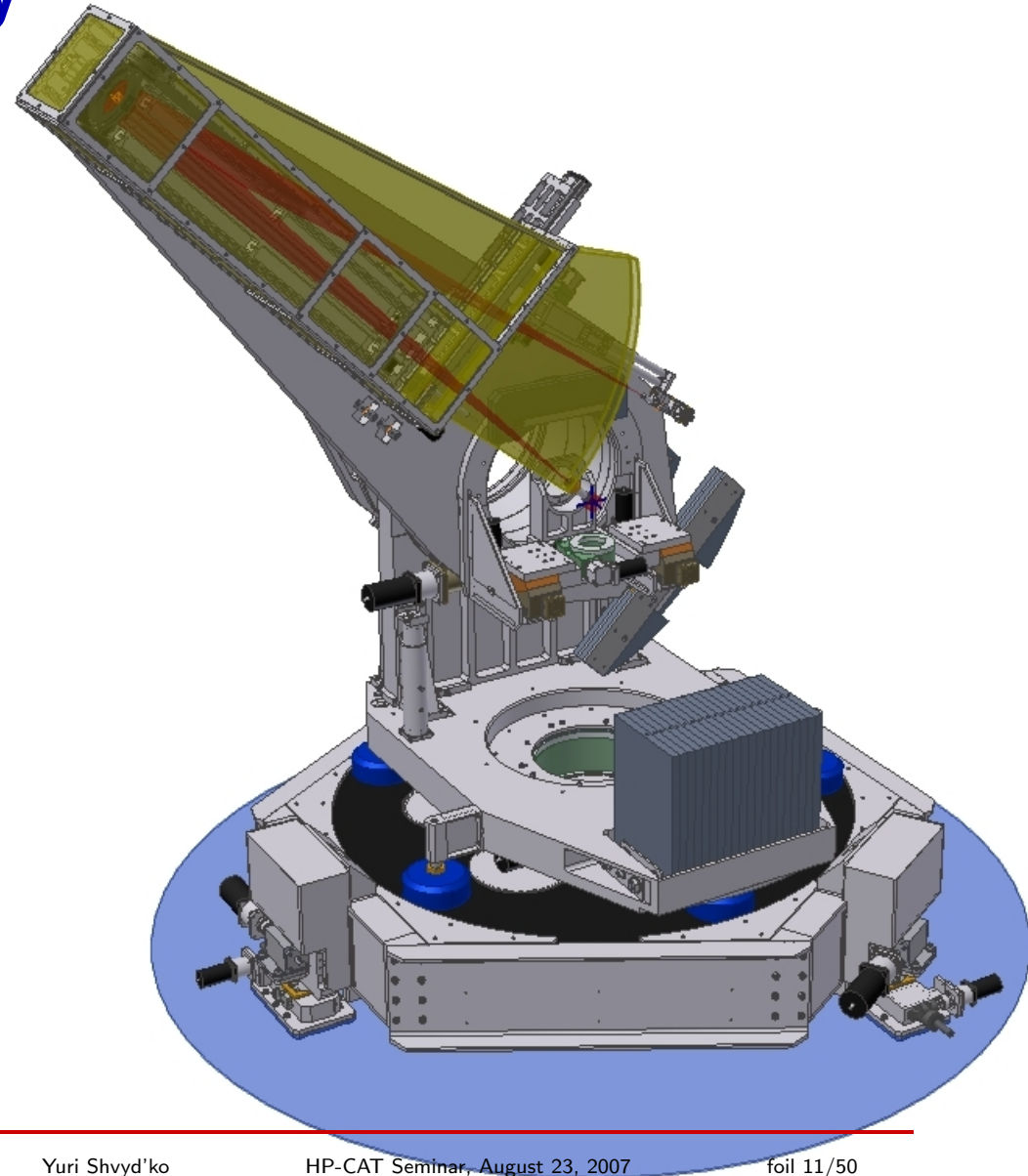
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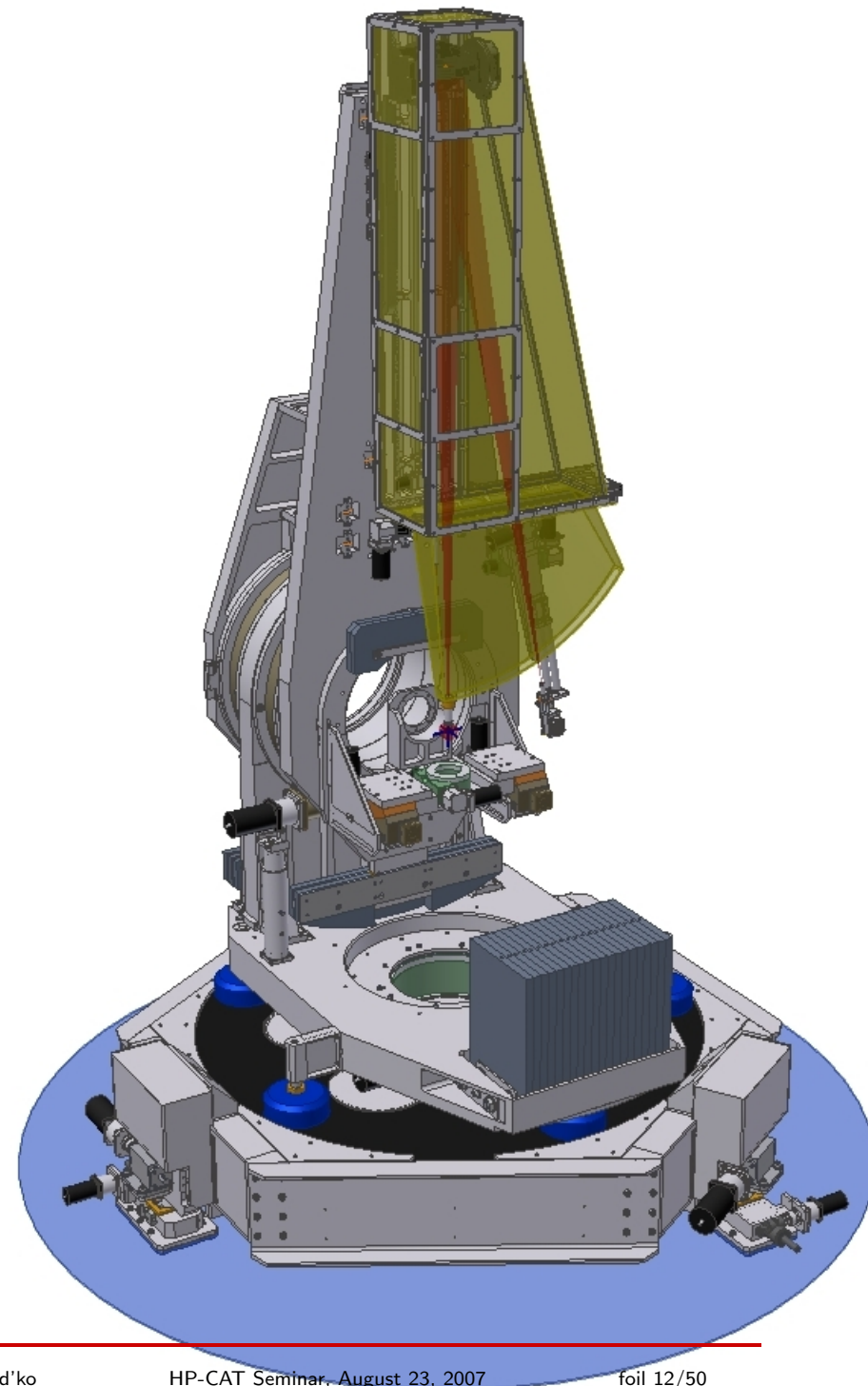
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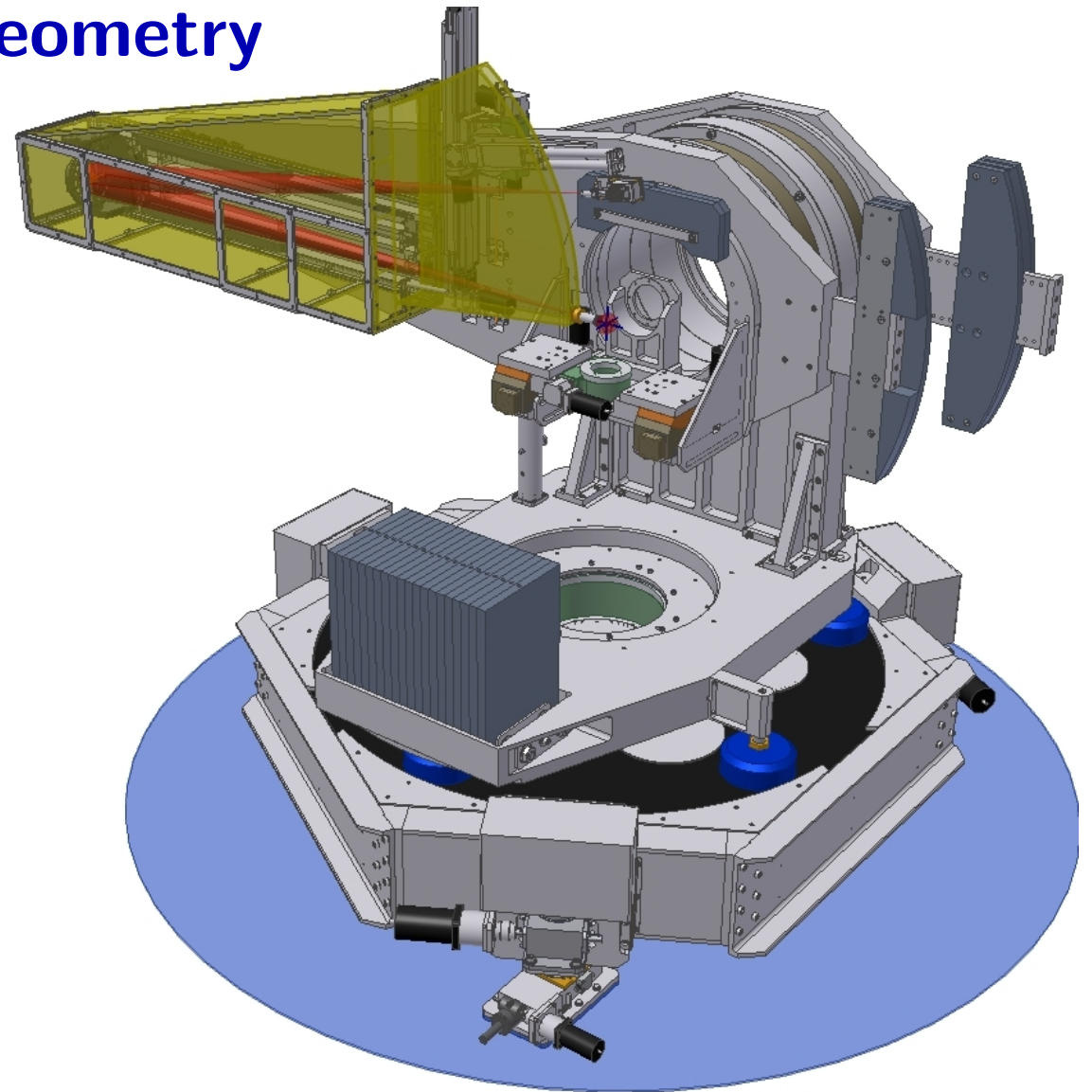
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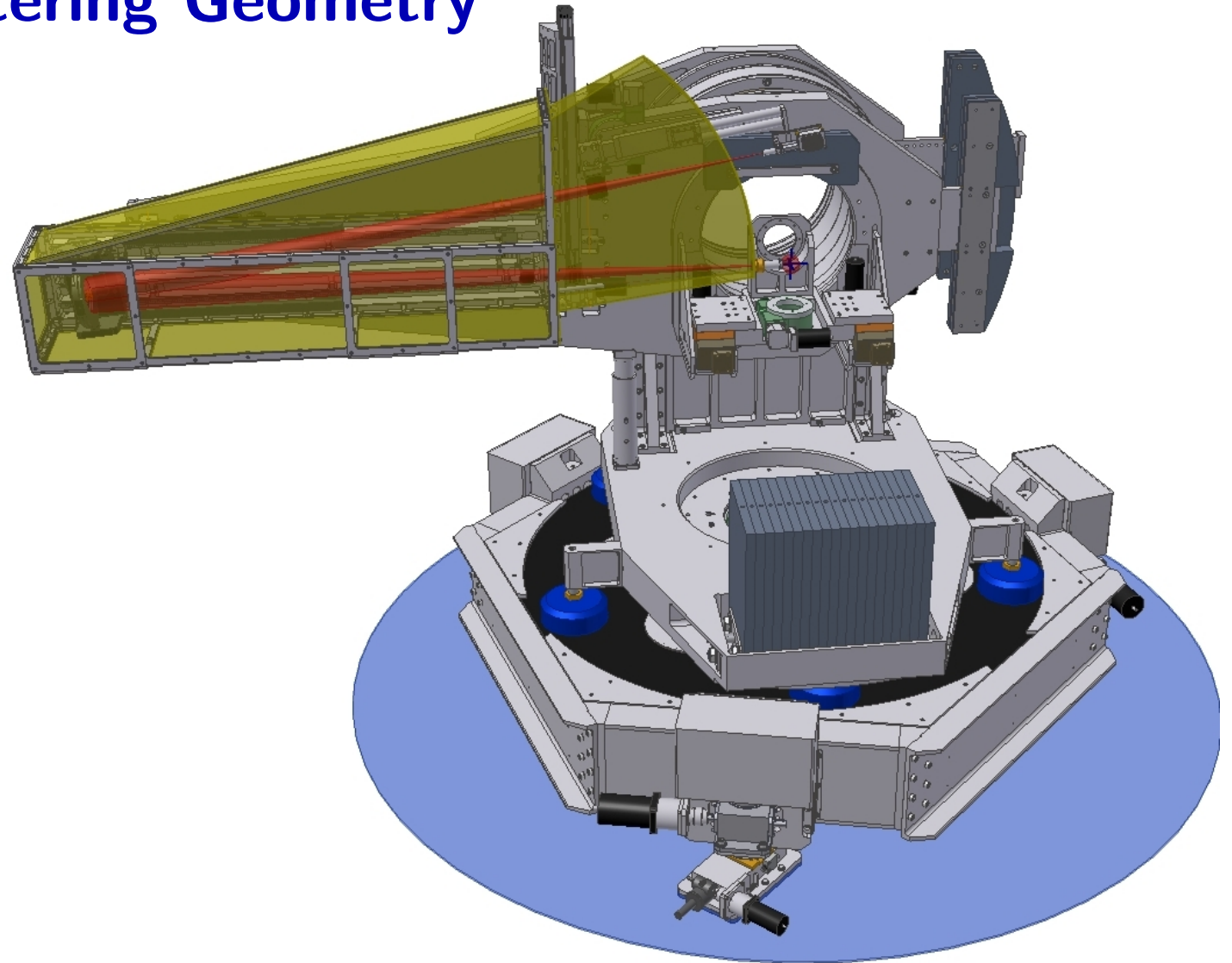


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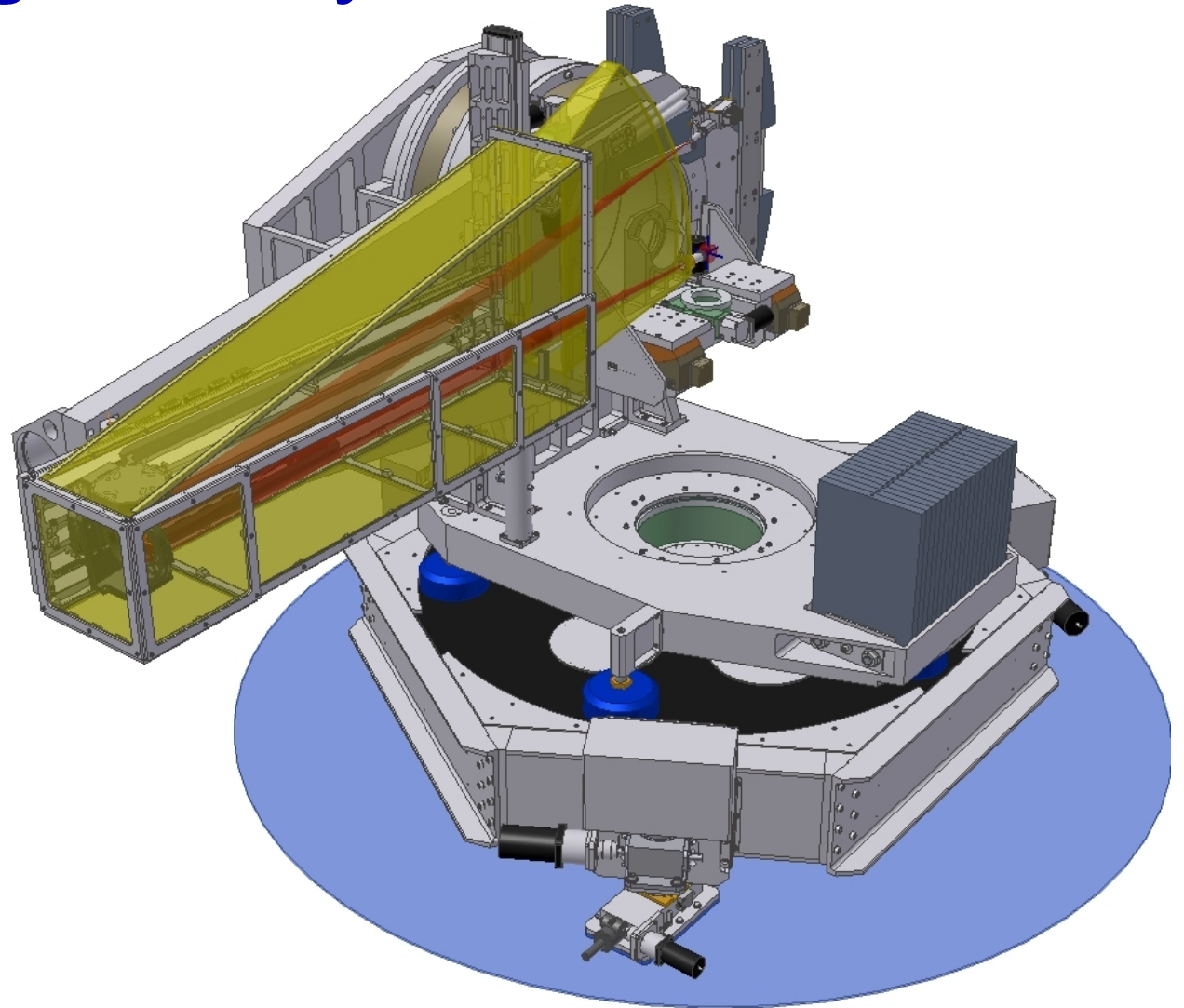


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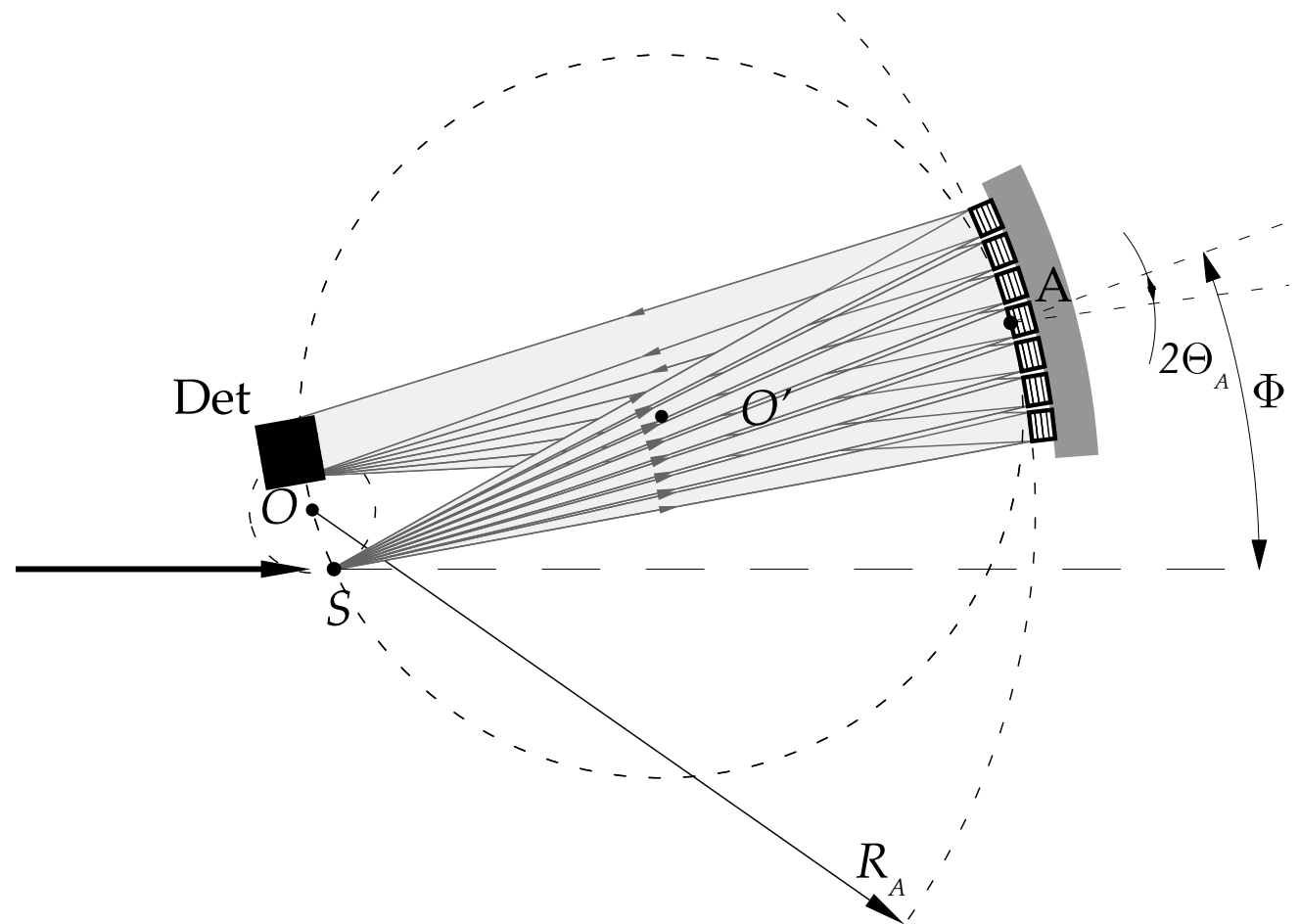


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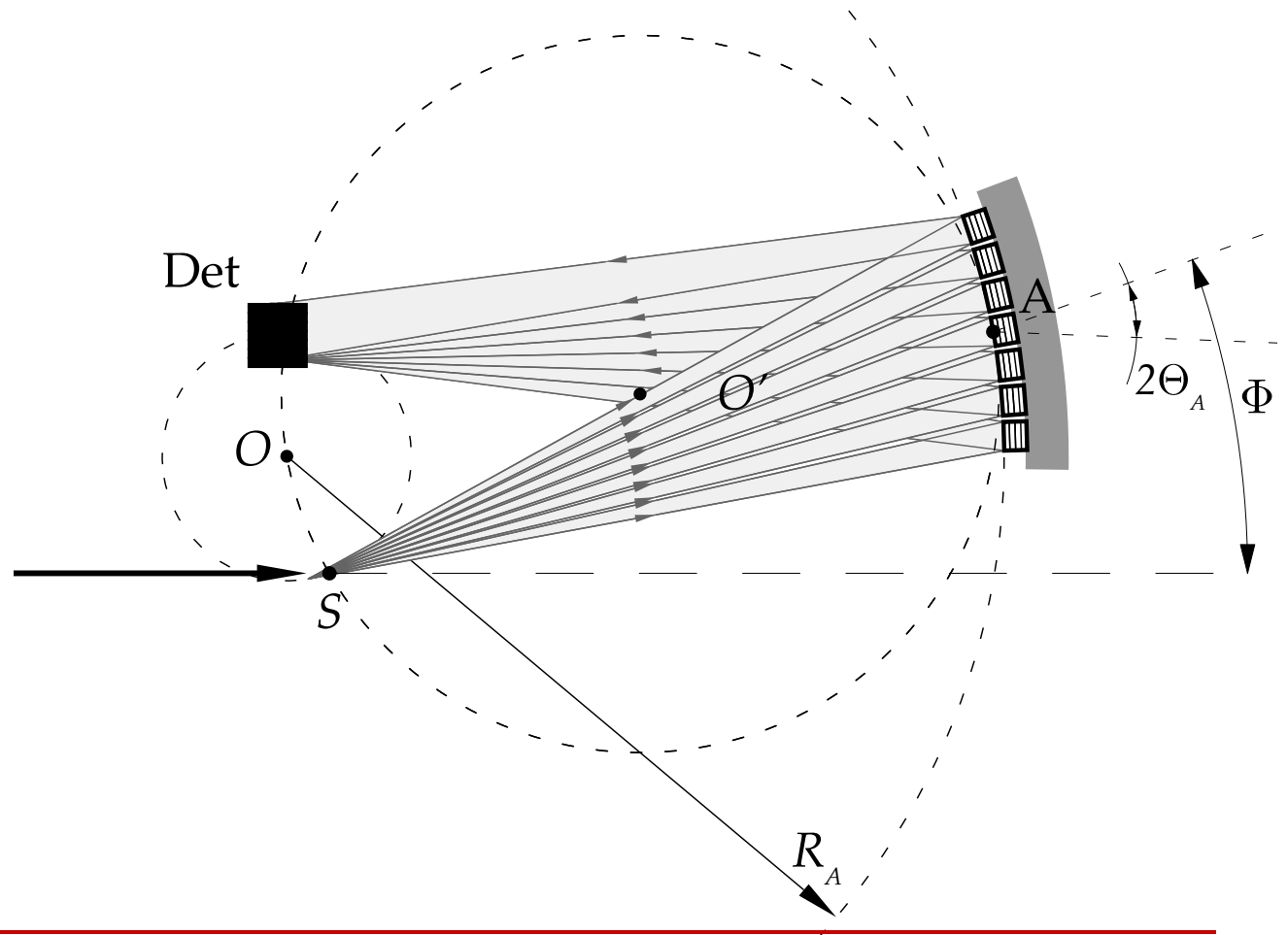
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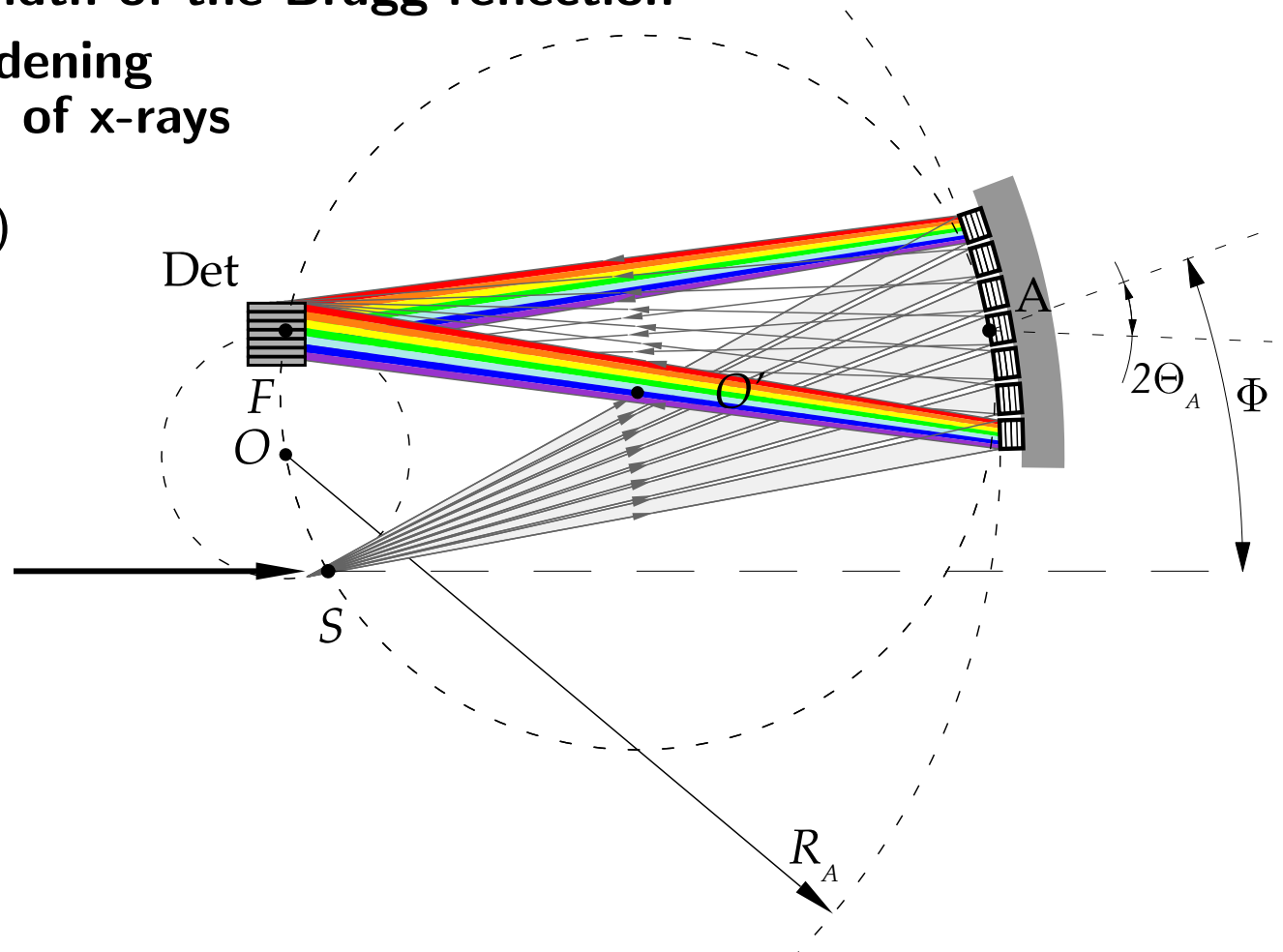
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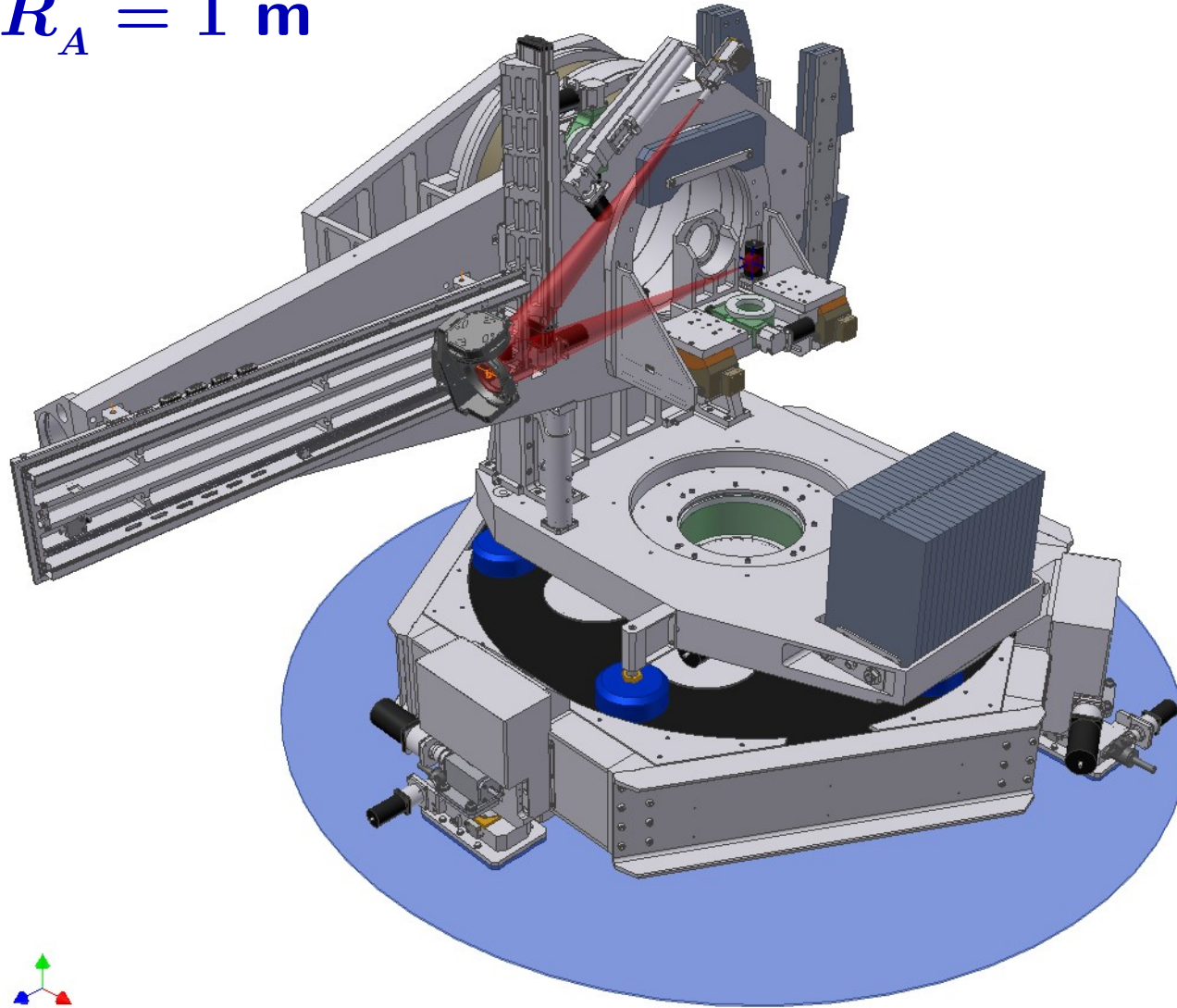
$\Delta d$  = crystal segment



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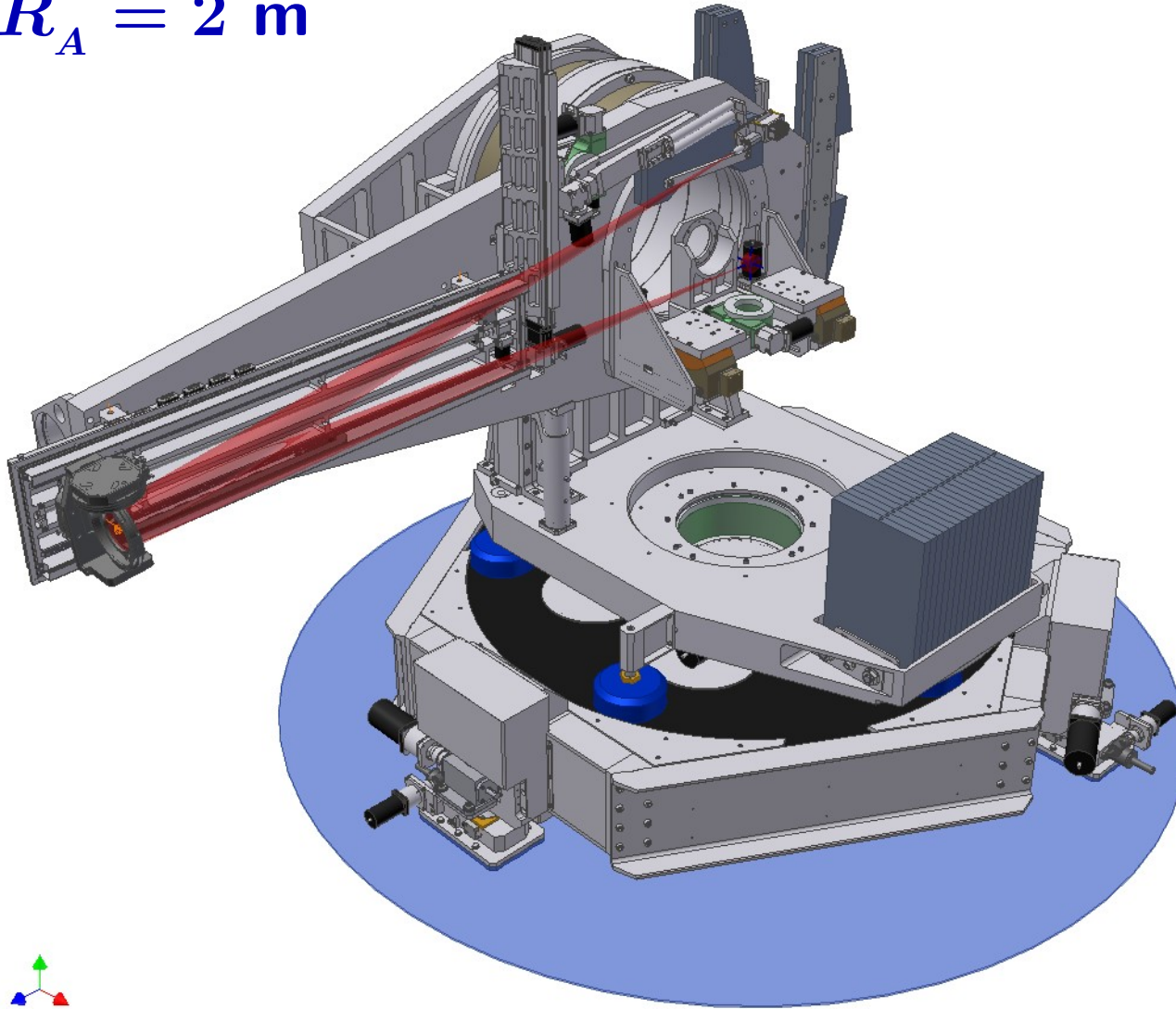


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# MERIX Spectrometer - Design

$$R_A = 2 \text{ m}$$



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# Possible RIXS Analyzers for MERIX

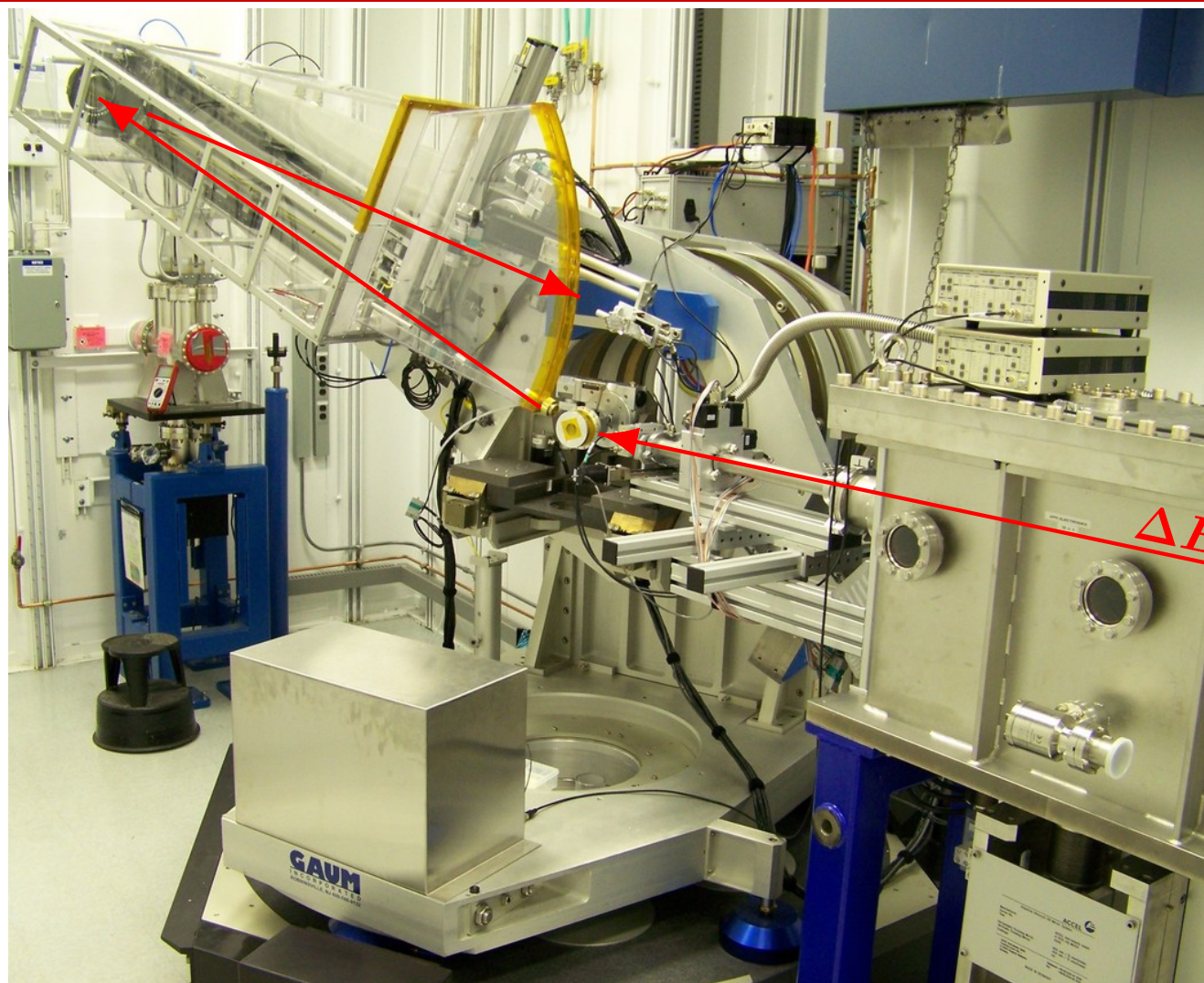
K-edge

L-edge

Element	$E$ [keV]	Crystal	Reflec- tion	$\theta_B$ [deg]	$\Delta E_i$ intr. [meV]
V(O)	5.480	LiNbO <sub>3</sub>	( 0 0 $\bar{0}$ 12)	82.5	109
Cr(O)	6.009	Si	( 5 1 1)	80.7	52.2
Mn(O)	6.555	Si	( 0 4 4)	80.0	62
Fe(O)	7.130	Ge	( 6 2 0)	76.3	115
Co(O)	7.720	LiNbO <sub>3</sub>	( 3 3 $\bar{6}$ 6)	86.5	49
Ni(O)	8.345	LiNbO <sub>3</sub>	( 0 6 $\bar{6}$ 0)	87.9	50
		Ge	( 2 4 6)	79.2	76
Cu(O)	8.990	Ge	( 3 3 7)	85.8	42
Eu	6.977	Ge	( 6 2 0)	83.3	112
Yb	8.944	Ge	( 0 0 8)	77.5	64



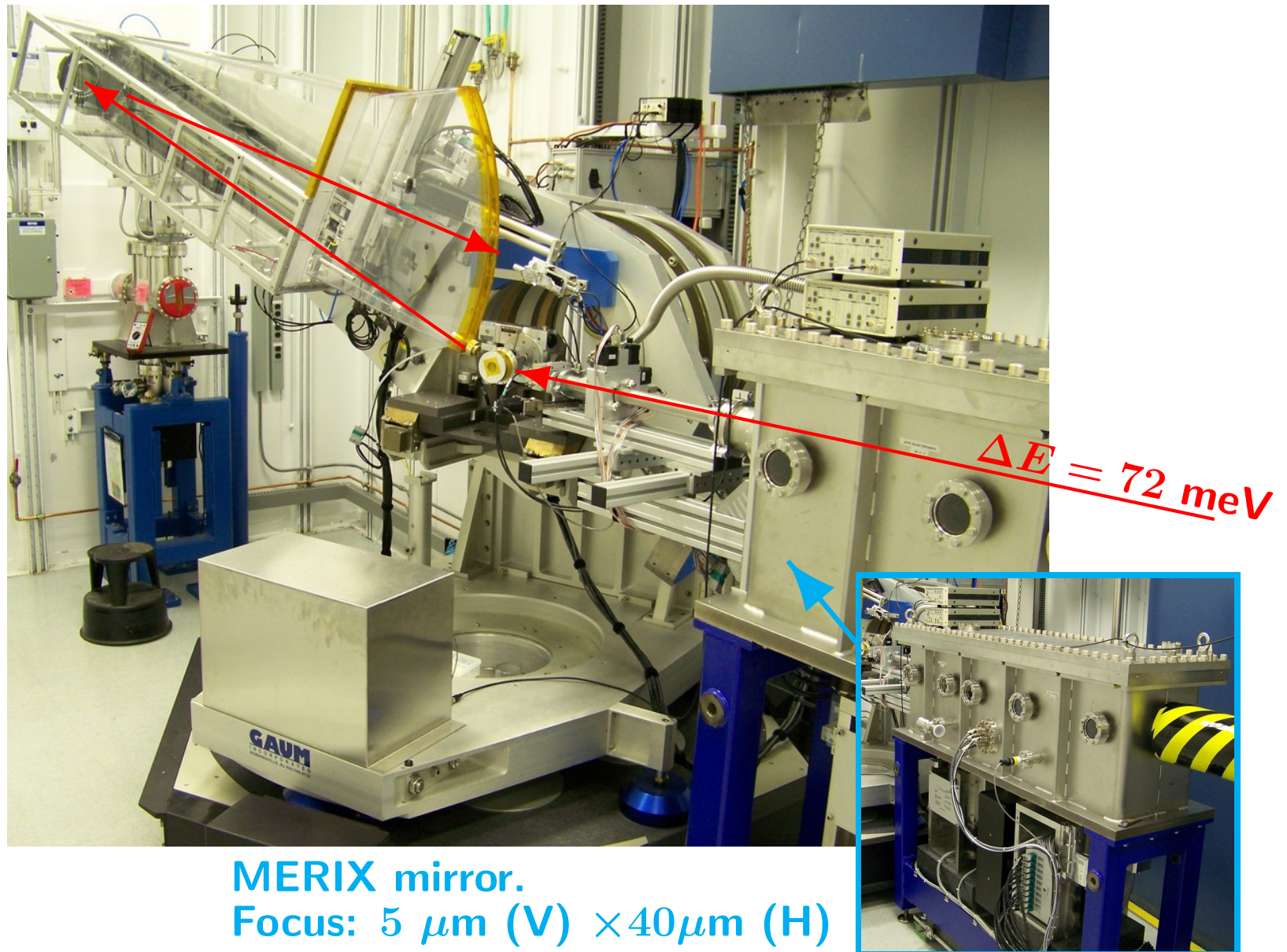
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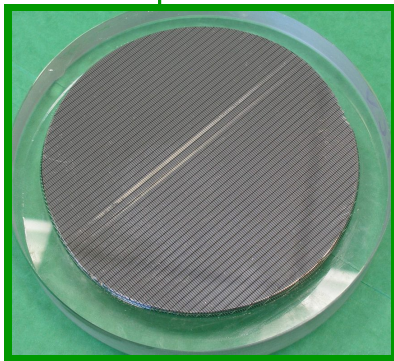


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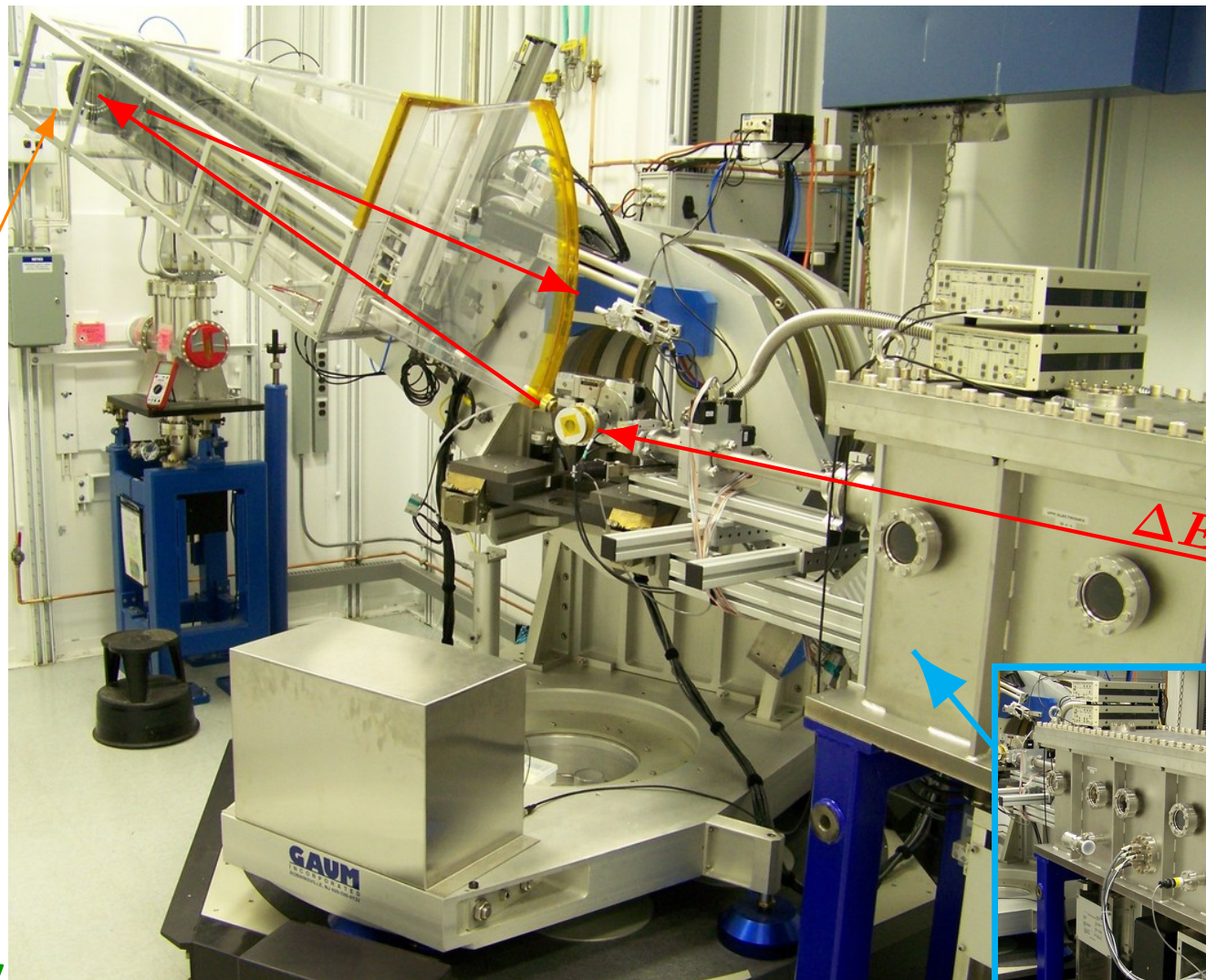


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Analyzer gimbal

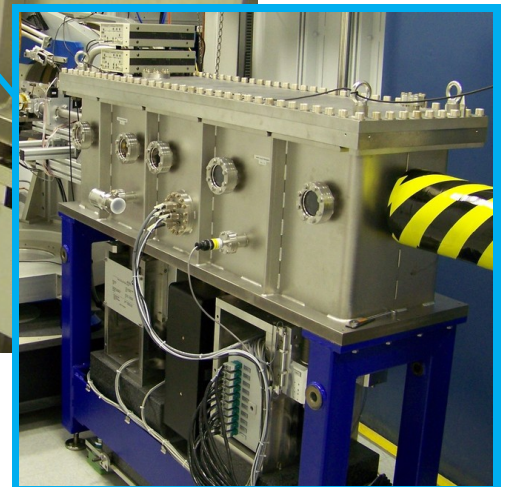


Ge(337)  
diced analyzer:  
 $\Delta E = 120 \text{ meV}$



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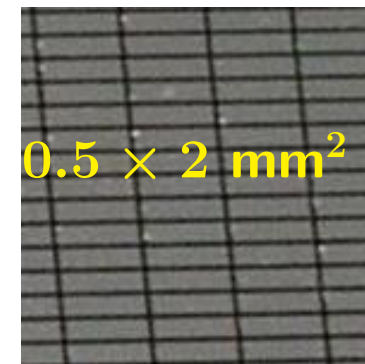
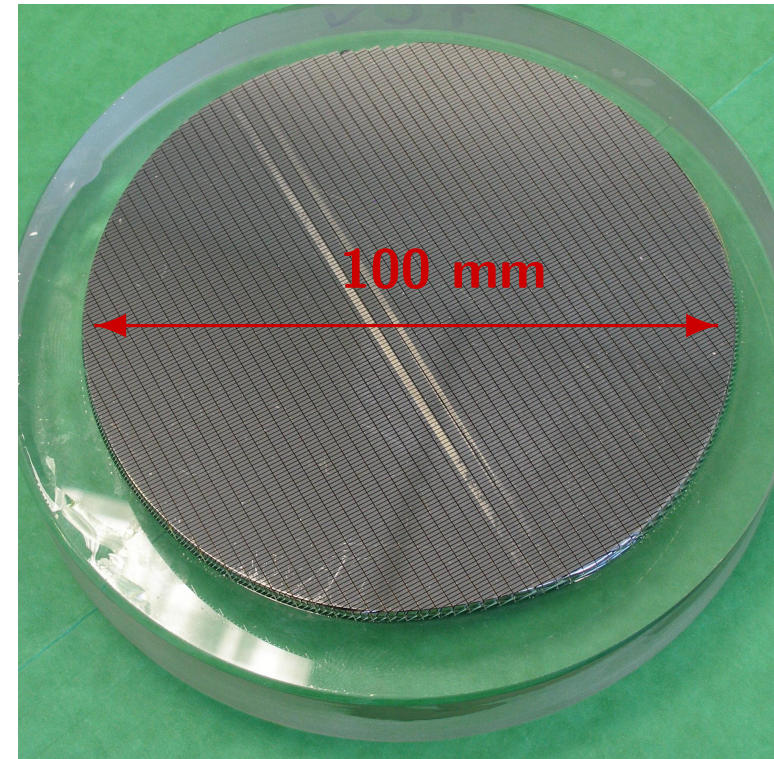
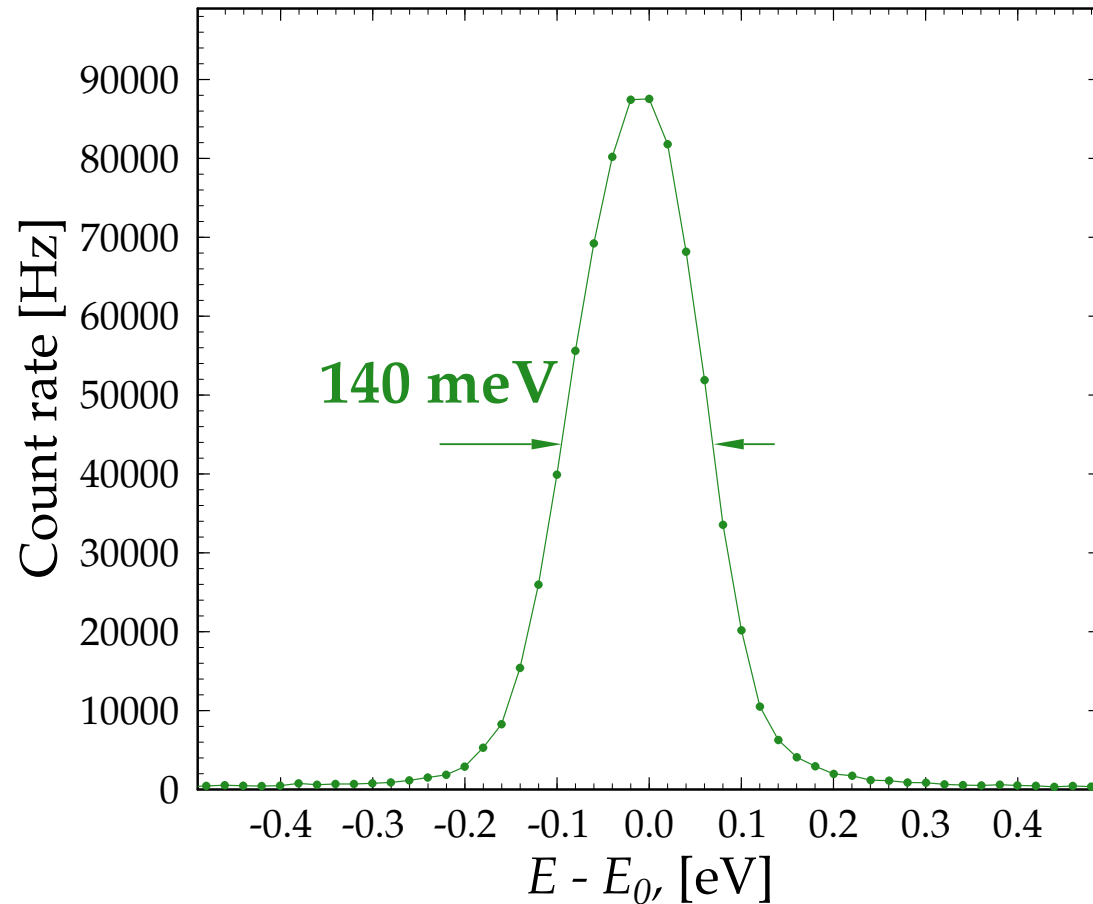
MERIX mirror.  
Focus:  $5 \mu\text{m}$  (V)  $\times 40 \mu\text{m}$  (H)





# Cu K-edge RIXS Analyzer

**Ge(3 3 7) analyzer**  
 $R_A = 2 \text{ m}$  & conventional detector

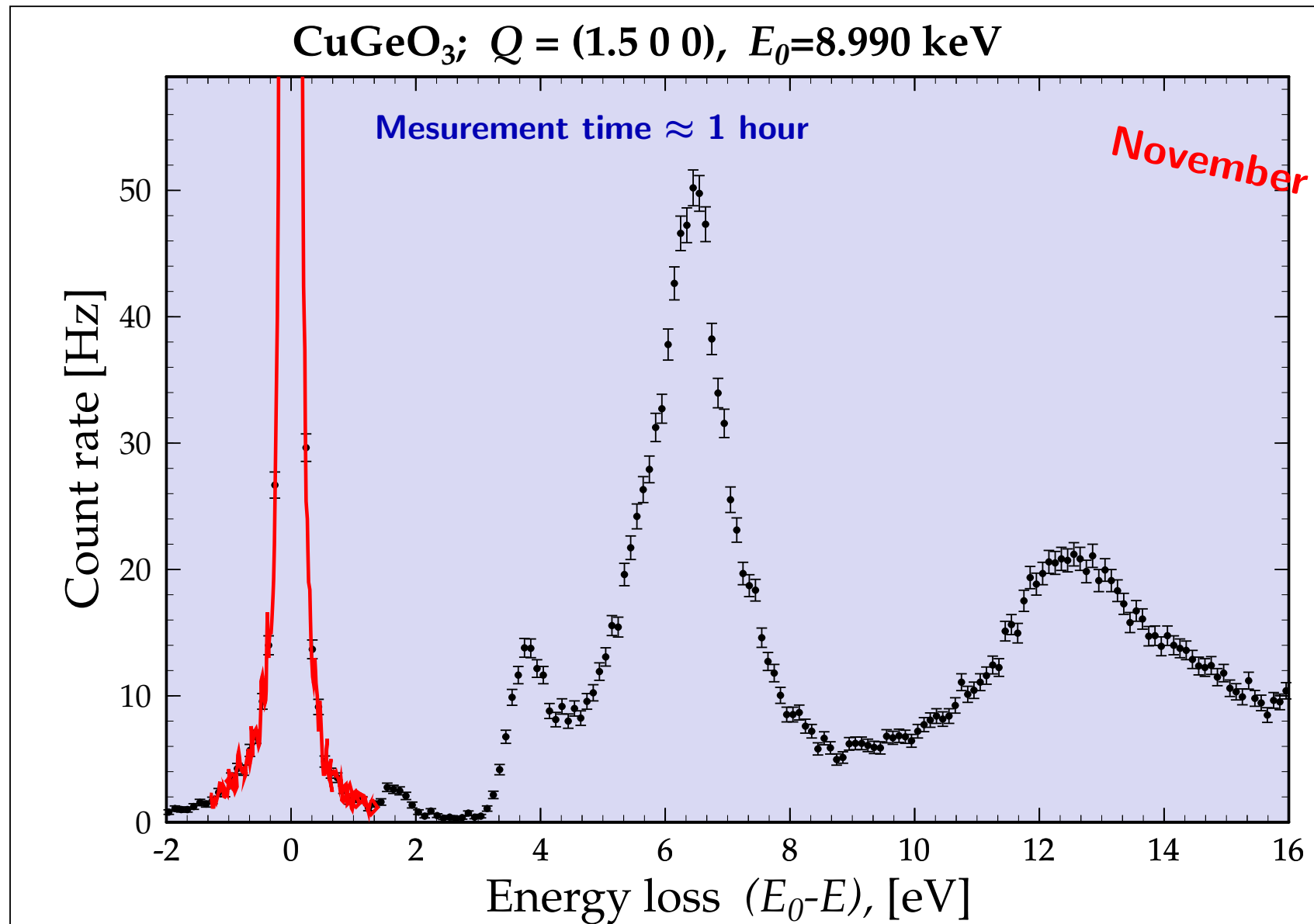


Expected: **115 eV**

Deconvoluted width : **120 meV**



# First RIXS Spectrum Measured with MERIX



# Analyzer Resolution & Geometrical Broadening

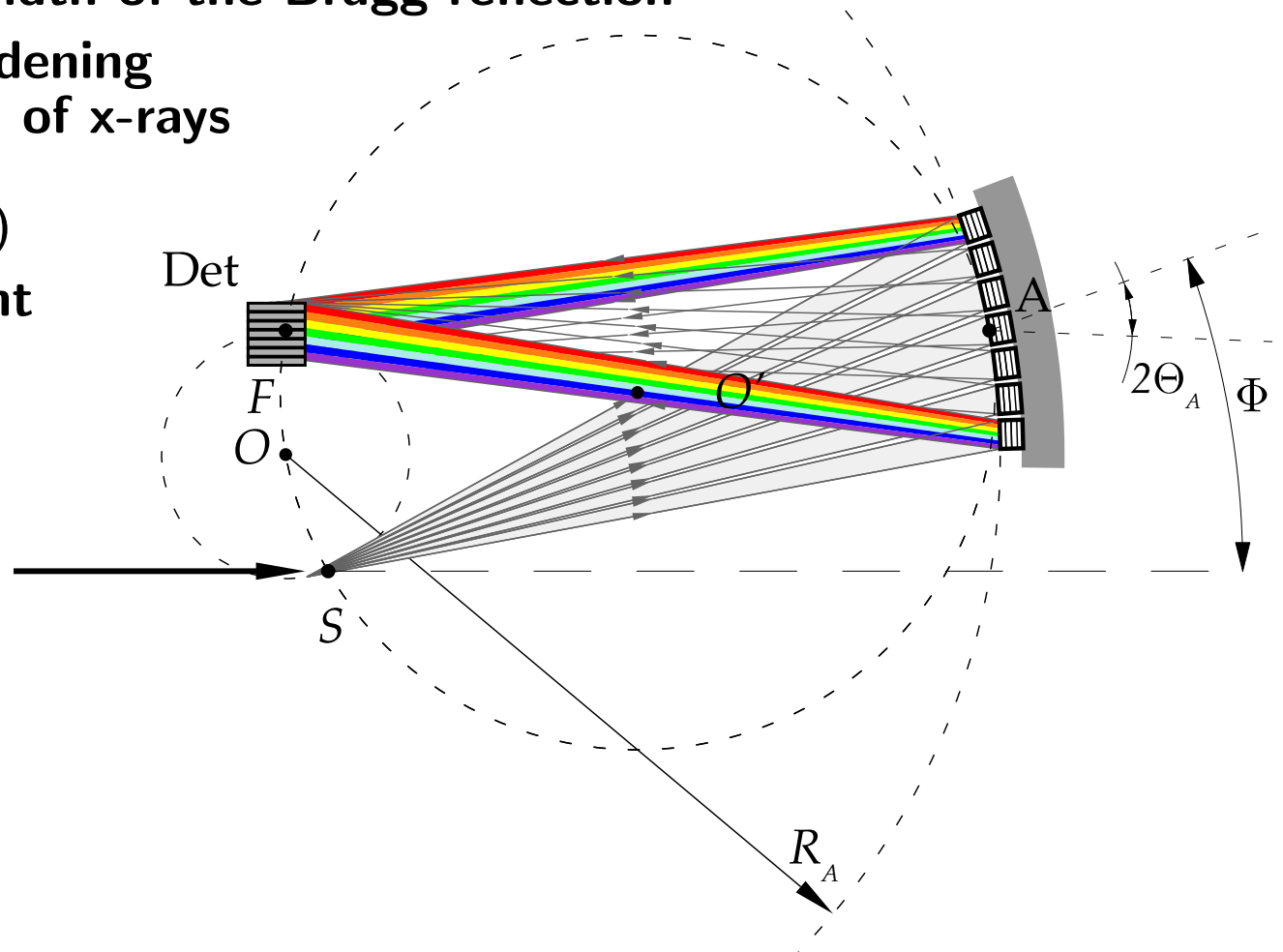
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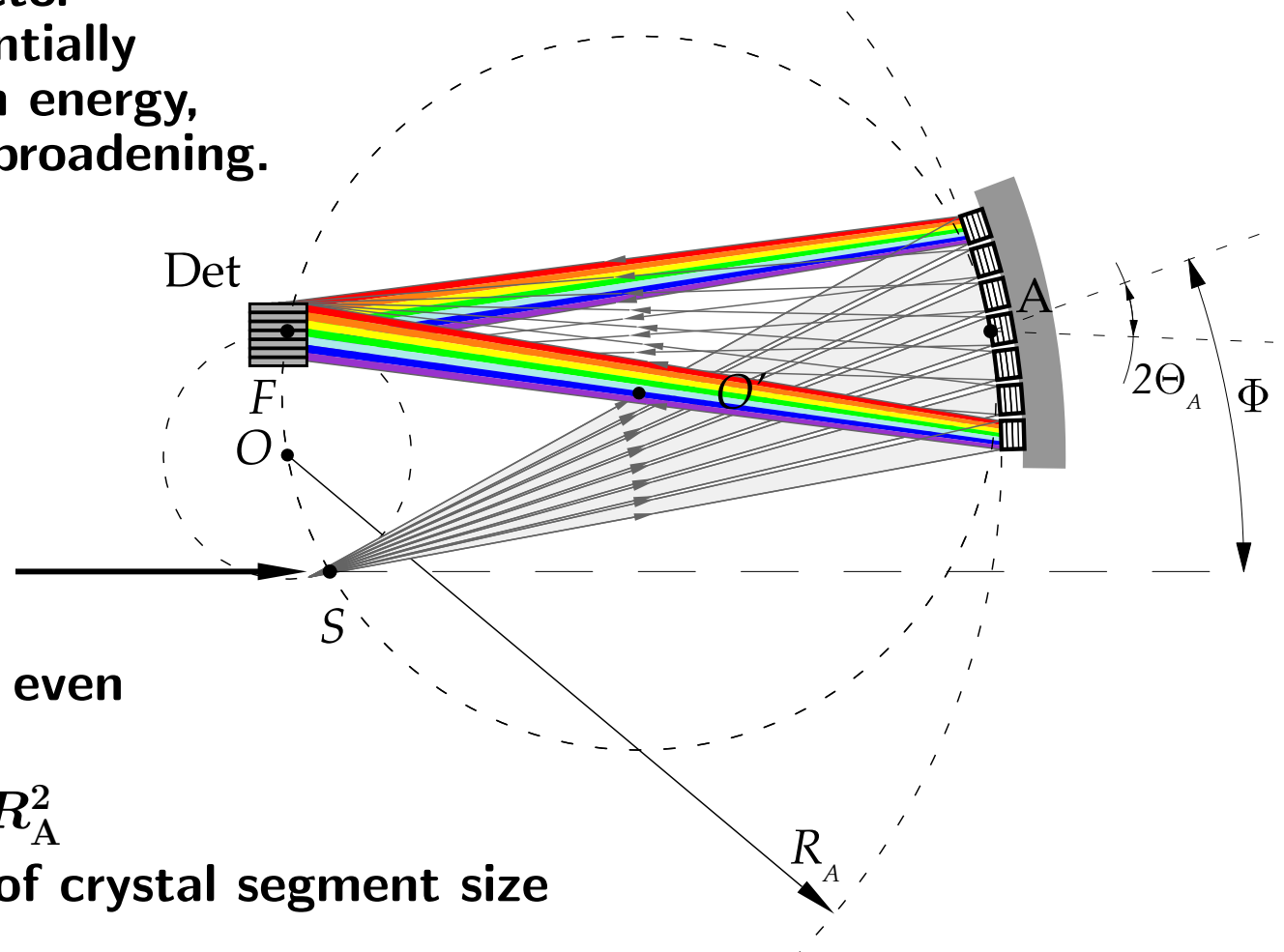
$\Delta d$  = either crystal segment  
or detector size



# Next generation x-ray optics and detectors for IXS

S. Huotari, Gy. Vanko, F. Albergamo, C. Ponchut, H. Graafsma,  
C. Henriquet, R. Verbeni, and G. Monaco, *Synchrotron Rad.* (2005) 12, 467 :

Use position sensitive detector  
to detect IXS signal differentially  
in space and thus in photon energy,  
and overcome geometrical broadening.



## Implications for MERIX:

1. Better energy resolution even with smaller  $R_A$
2. Higher countrates  $\propto 1/R_A^2$
3. Resolution independent of crystal segment size



# Photon-Counting Si Microstrip Detector

Built by D. Peter Siddons, Brookhaven



640 strips  
1 strip = 125  $\mu\text{m}$   
1 strip = 40 meV  
640 strip = 25 eV

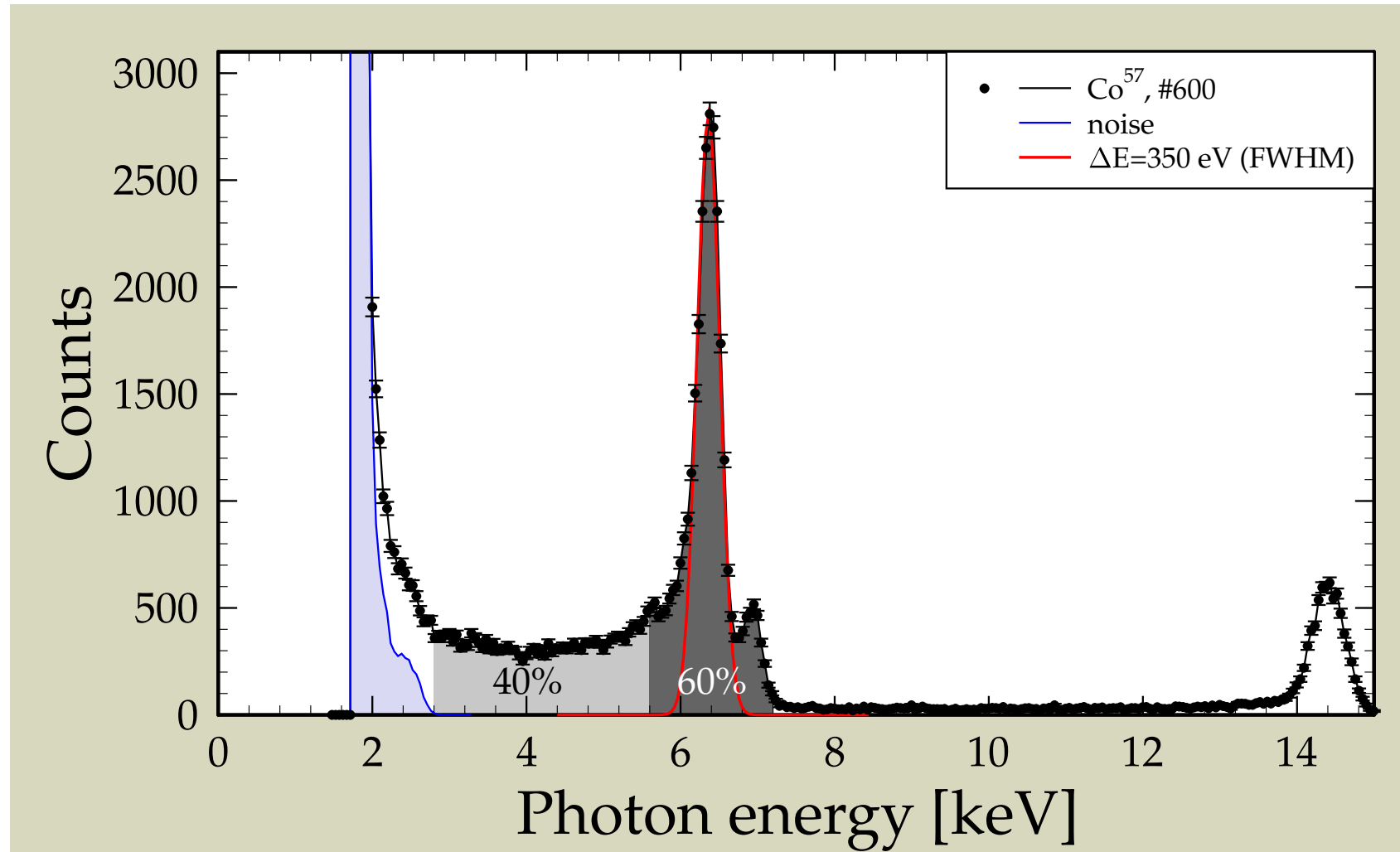


Donated to IXS-CDT by Steve Cramer, UC Davis



# Photon-Counting Si Microstrip Detector

Pulse height spectrum taken with  $^{57}\text{Co}$  radioactive source



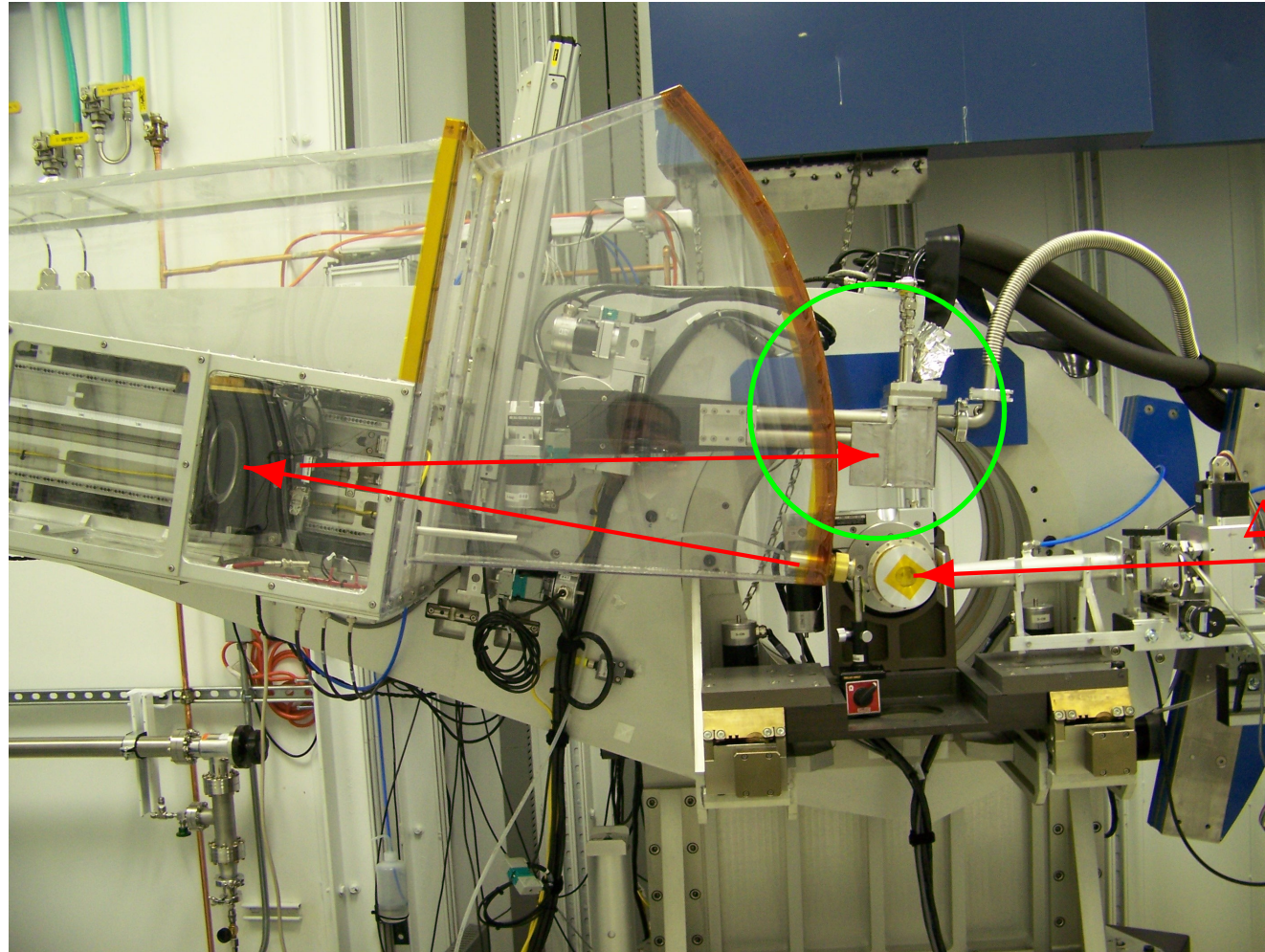
Background:  $< 10^{-3}$  Hz/channel.  
Effective noise:  $\simeq 3$  keV.

Measurements with  $E \geq 4$  keV are possible!



# MERIX Spectrometer with Strip Detector

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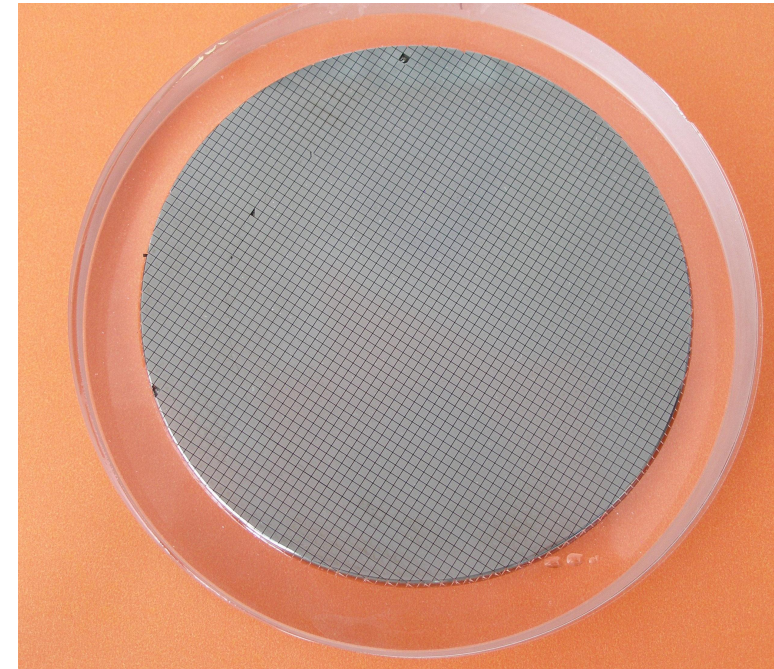
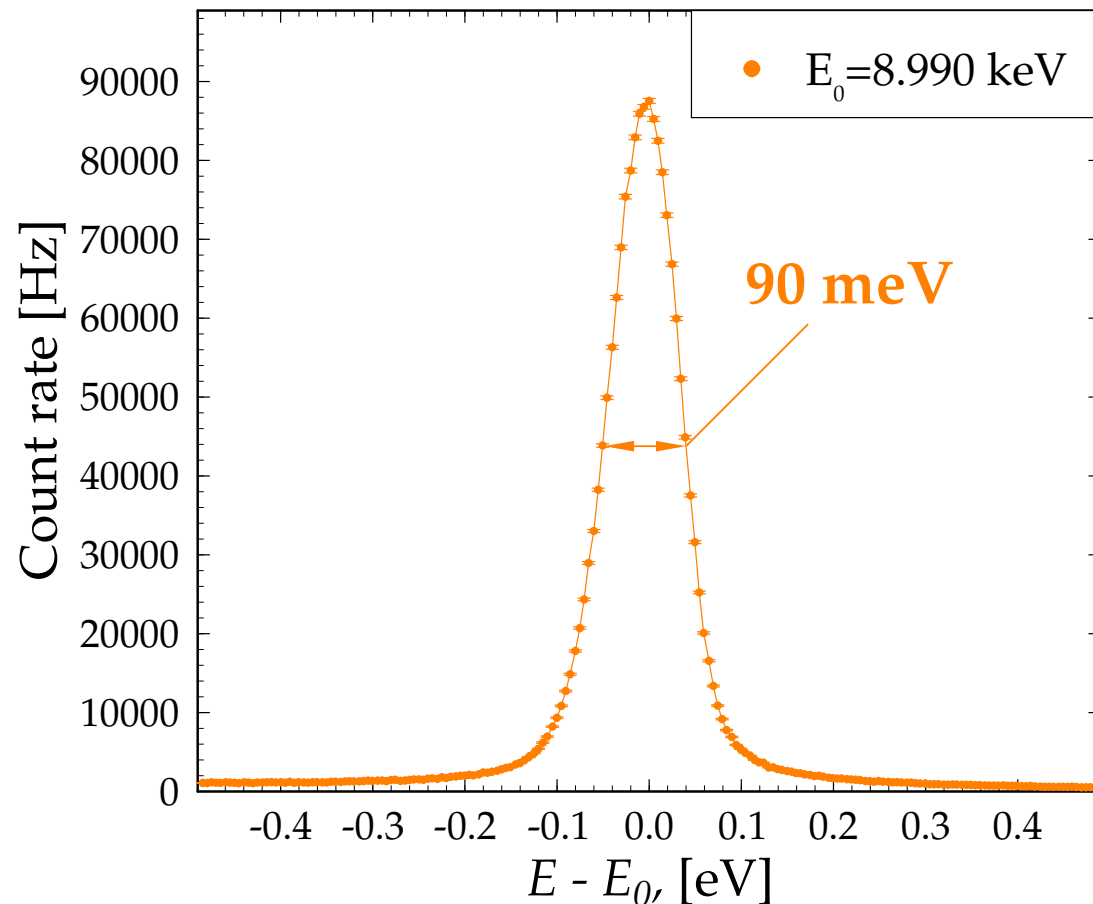


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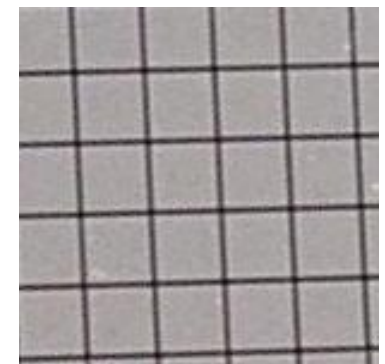


# Cu K-edge RIXS Analyzer: Improved Resolution

**Ge(3 3 7) analyzer**  
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**Crystal segments:**  
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**Expected: 90 meV**

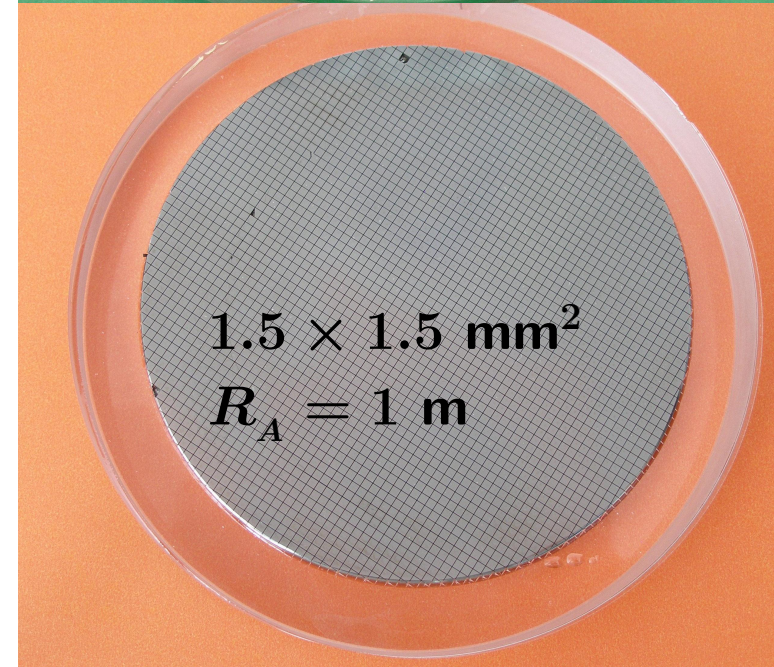
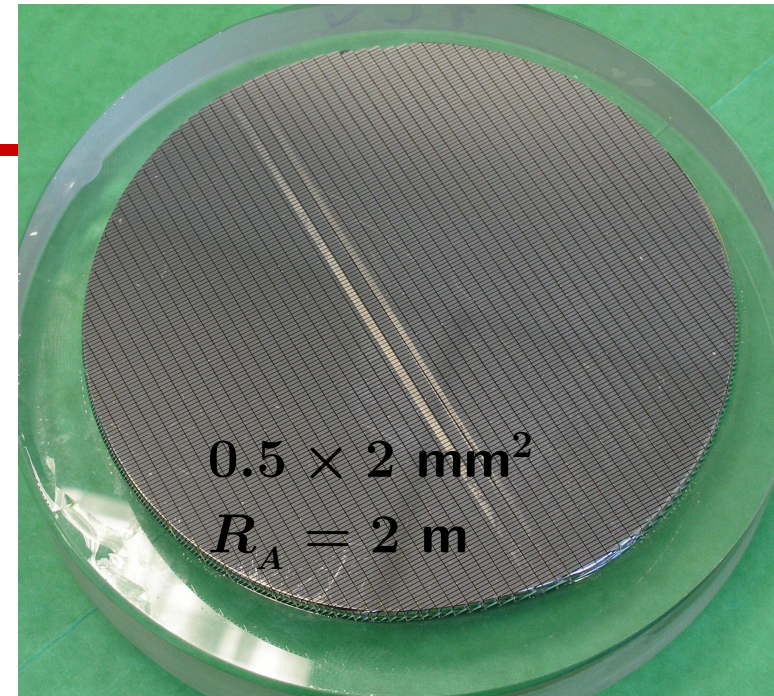
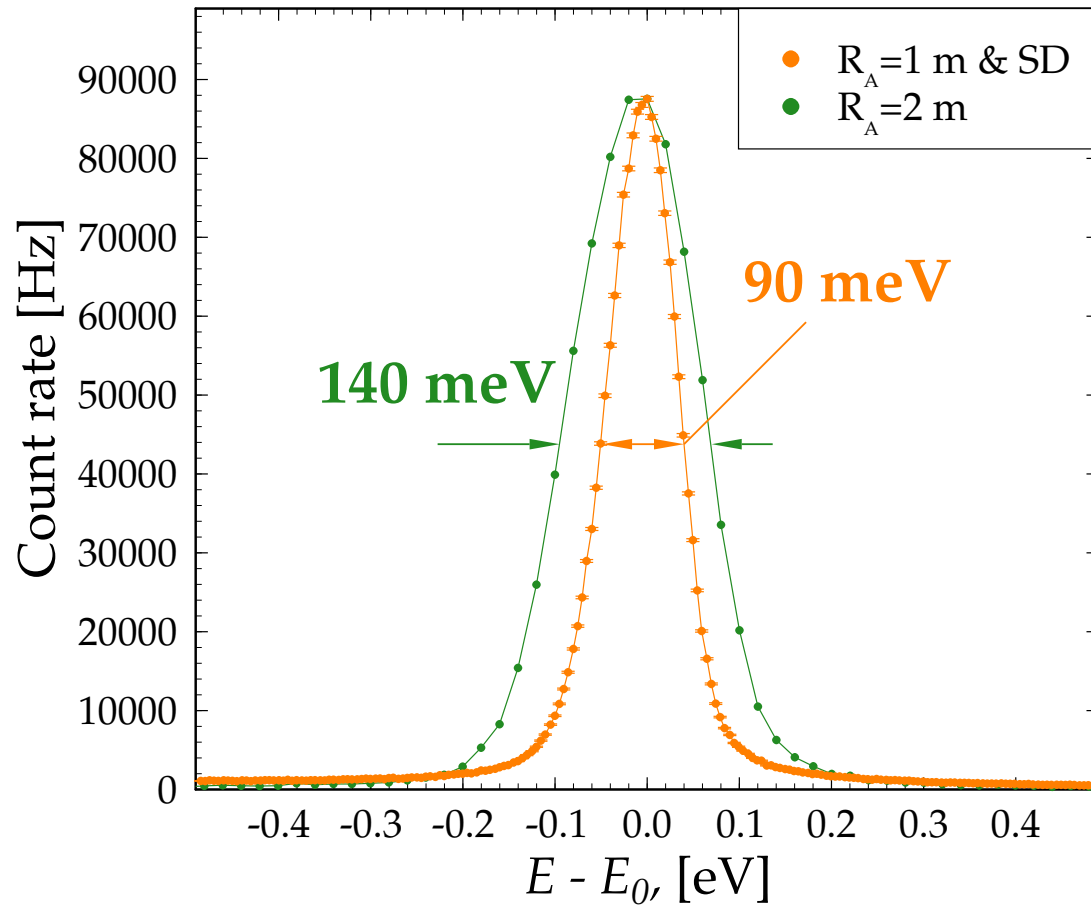
**Deconvoluted width : 52 meV**



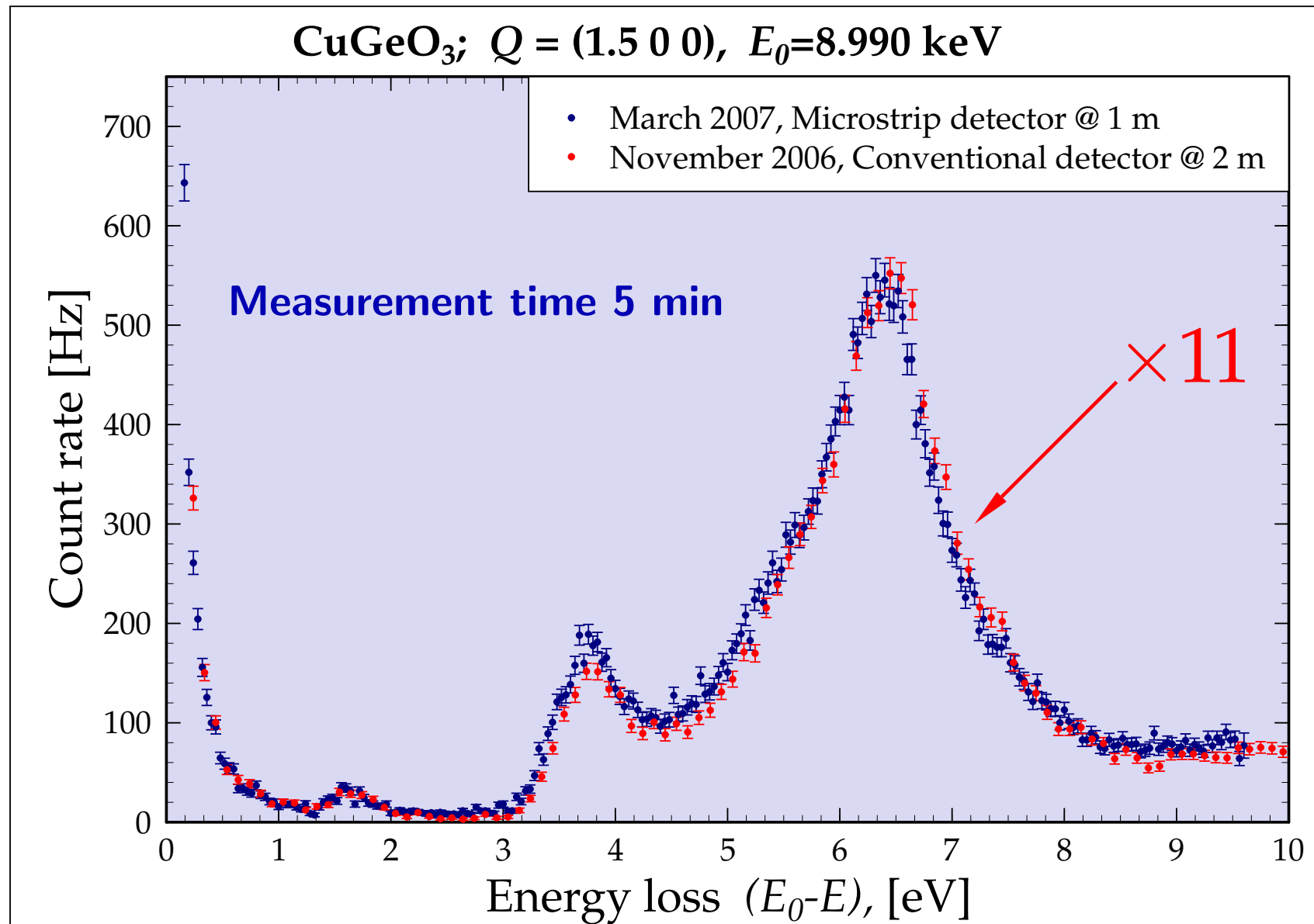


# Cu K-edge RIXS Analyzers

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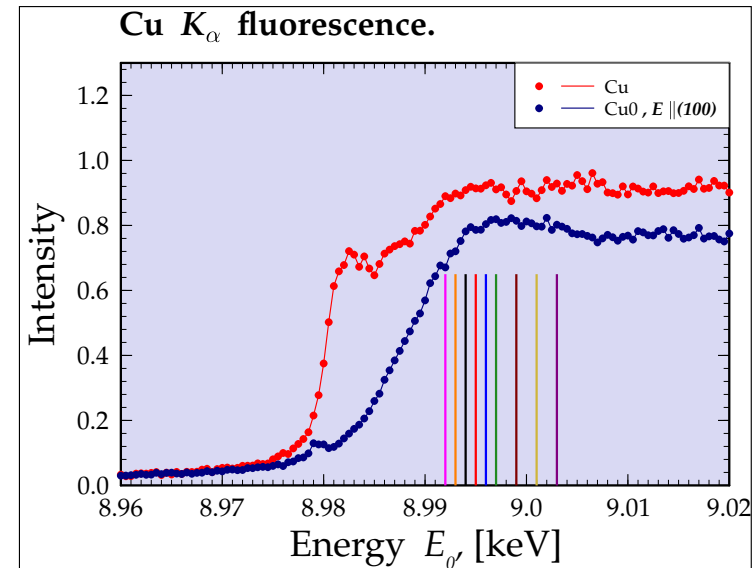
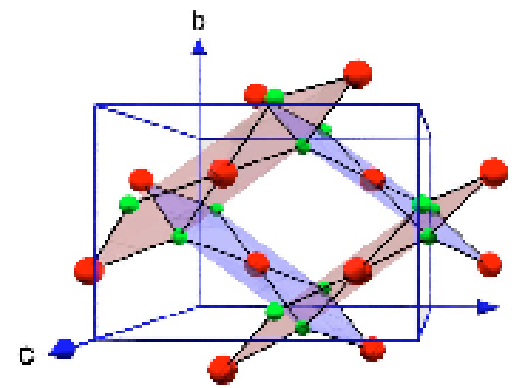
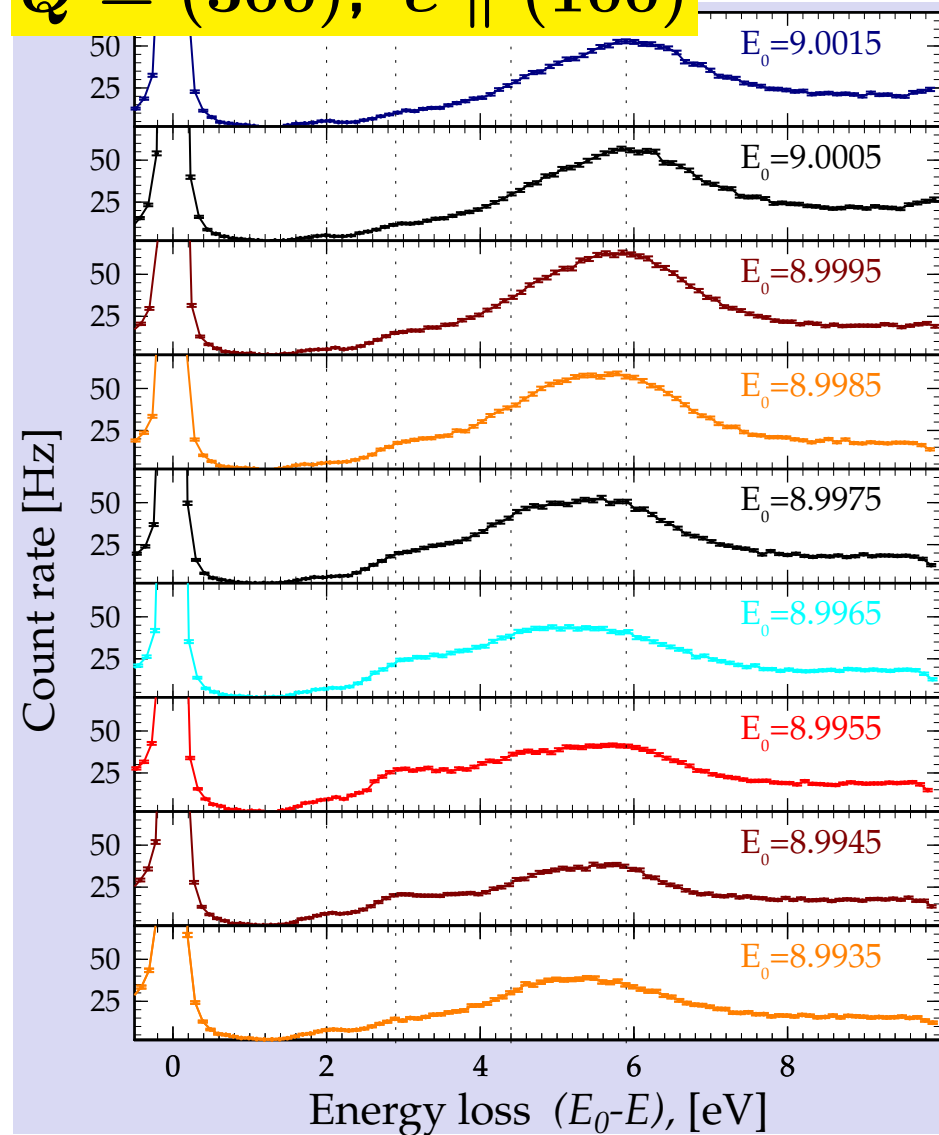


# Dramatic Increase in Count Rate



# Cu K-edge RIXS in CuO

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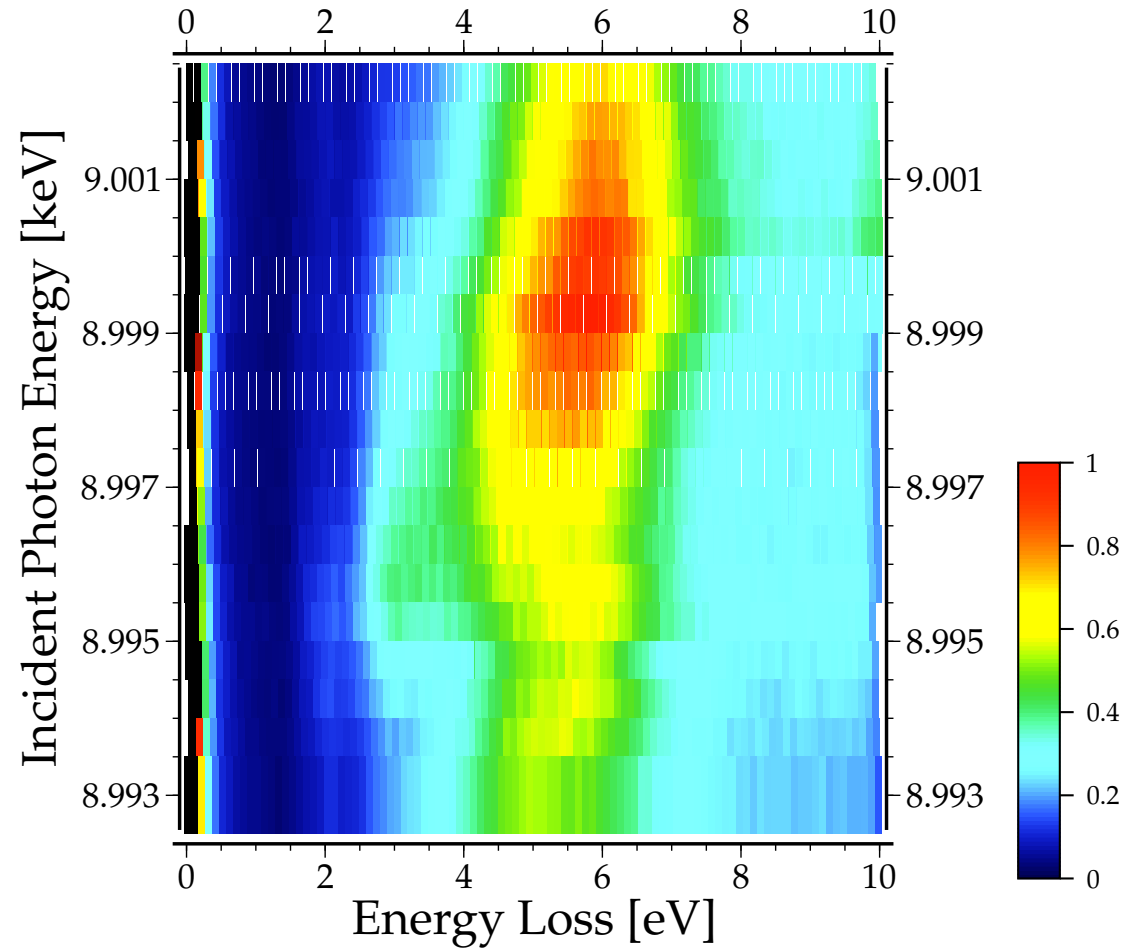
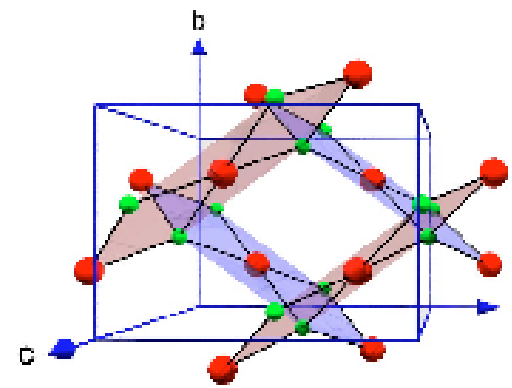
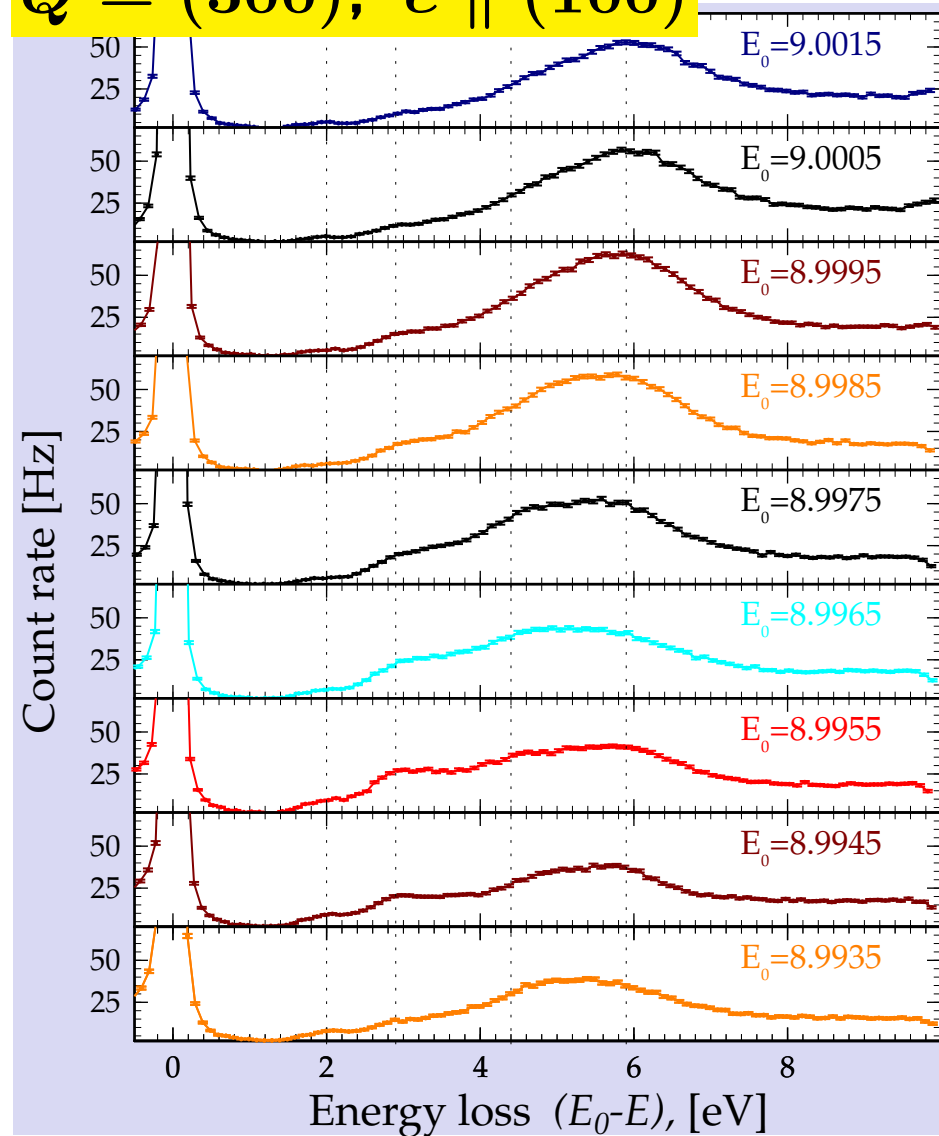


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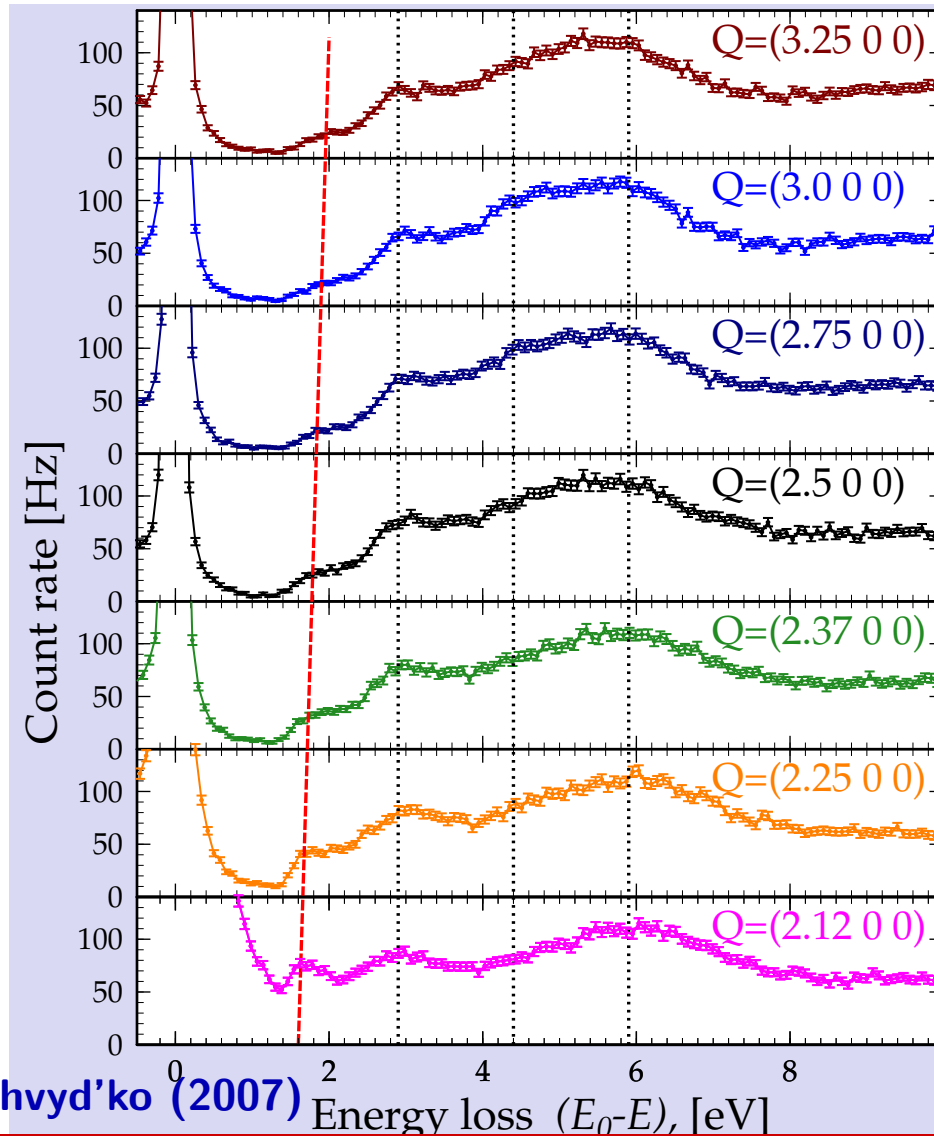
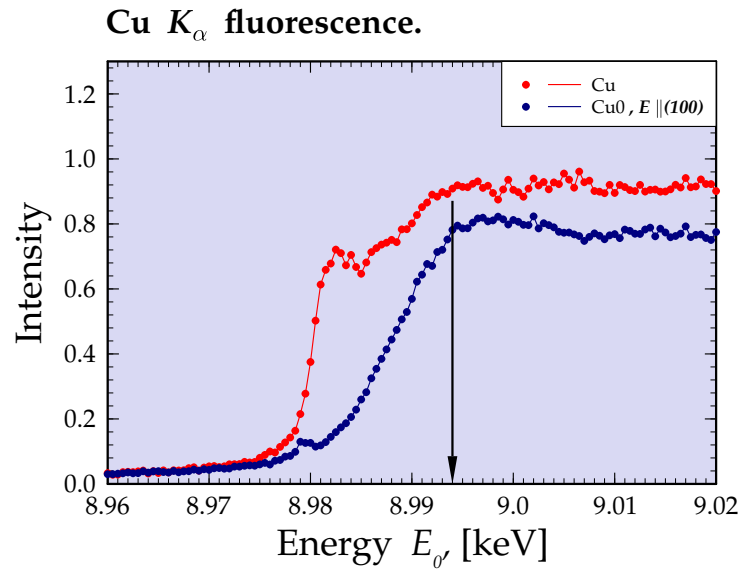
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# Cu K-edge RIXS in CuO: $\vec{Q}$ -Dependence

$E = 8.994$  keV,  $\vec{e} \parallel (100)$

Measurement time 25 min/spectrum



H. Yavas, E. Alp, D. Casa, A. Said, Yu. Shvyd'ko (2007)



# Collective Charge Modes in “Spin-Charge separation” cuprates $\text{SrCuO}_2$ measured at MERIX (2007)

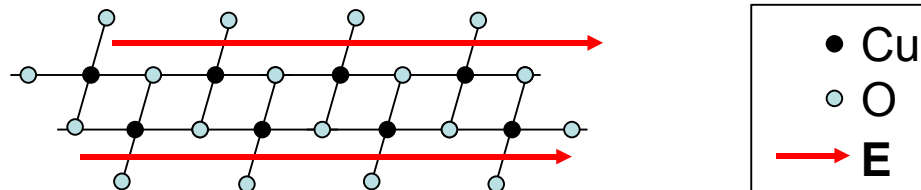
Resonant inelastic x-ray scattering signal at the copper k-edge has been measured for quasi-one dimensional (1D) ***spin-charge separation materials class  $\text{SrCuO}_2$***  at MERIX and SPring-8 BL11XU.

Enhanced resolution and count rate at MERIX (1) revealed new features not seen before and (2) clearly resolved multiple features in the spectrum not possible in any previous study of such cuprates.

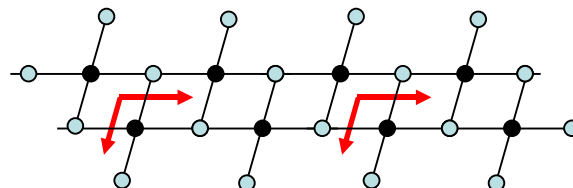
A small angle geometry could be chosen at MERIX to allow pure incident polarization along the 1D chain direction, while the available moderate resolution ( $\sim 400\text{meV}$ ) at SPring-8 necessitated a  $90^\circ$  scattering geometry with mixed polarization in the Cu-O plaquette to obtain signals.

## Polarization conditions:

MERIX: **E** parallel to chain, in plaquette



SPring-8: **E**  $45^\circ$  to a- and b-axes, in plaquette

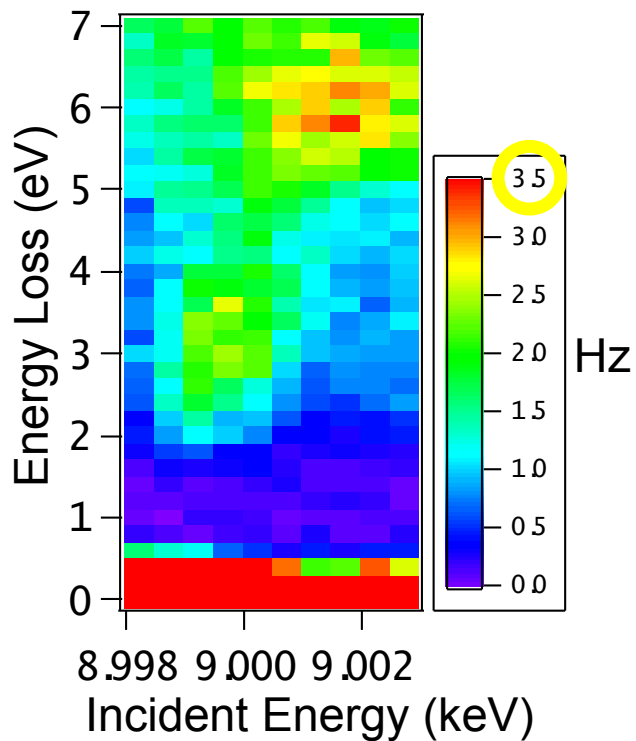


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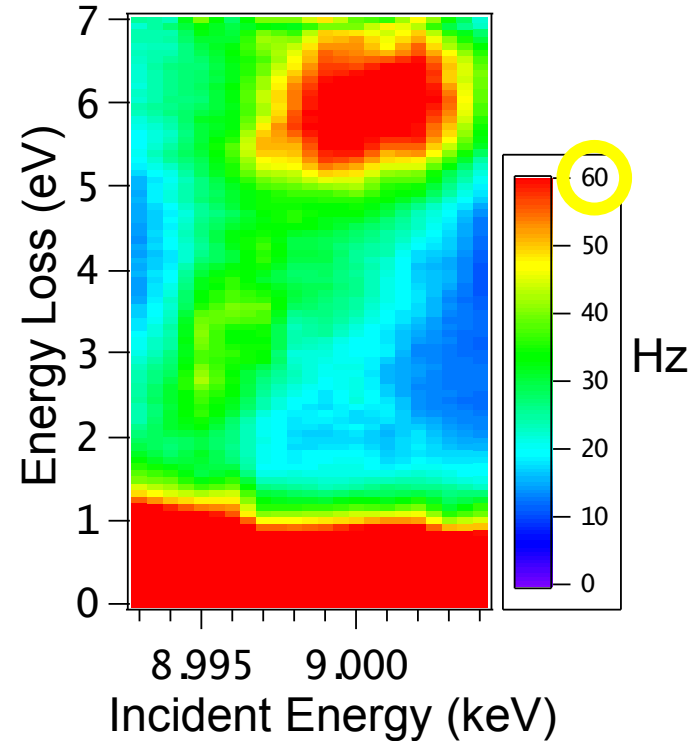


# Resonance Profiles measured on SrCuO<sub>2</sub> at Spring-8 and MERIX

Spring-8 BL11XU  
45 seconds/point  
(90° geometry)



MERIX  
5 seconds/point  
(small angle geometry)



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*Intensity shown in counts/s*



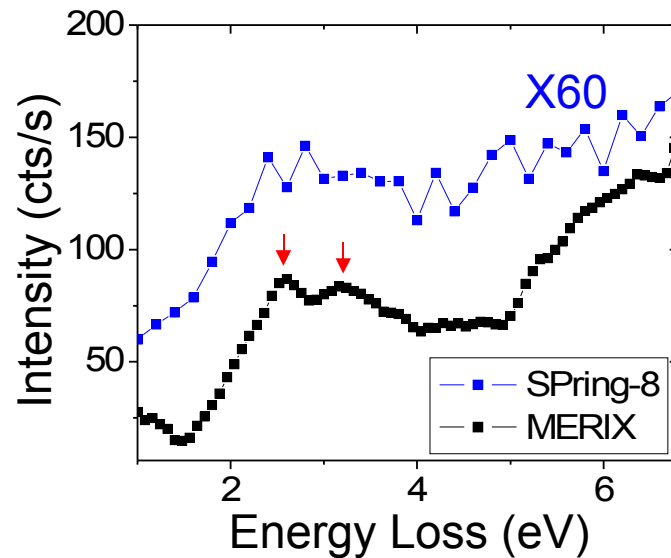
# Excitonic Modes in a 1D Cuprate Chain



*Clearly resolve features*

*for the first time*

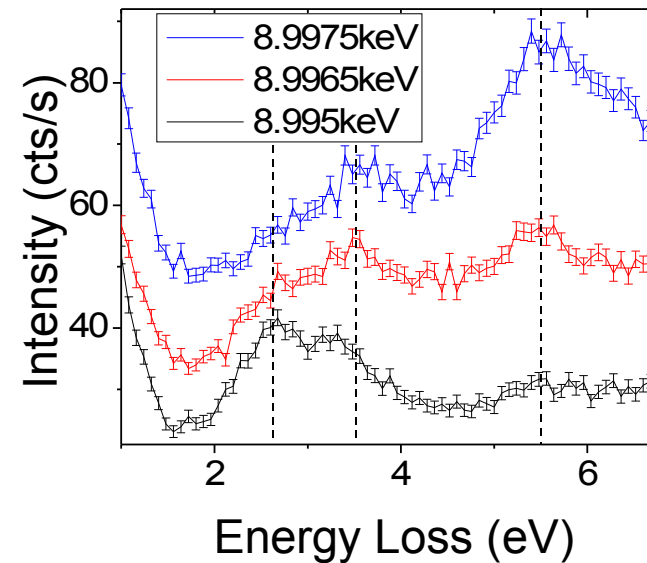
Comparison of MERIX and SPring-8 data with energy and polarization tuned for optimal enhancement of the 2-4eV signal:



*Showed new features*

*As  $E_{in}$  is varied*

Using different incident energies, in conjunction with high count rate and resolution, allows identification of diverse features at MERIX:



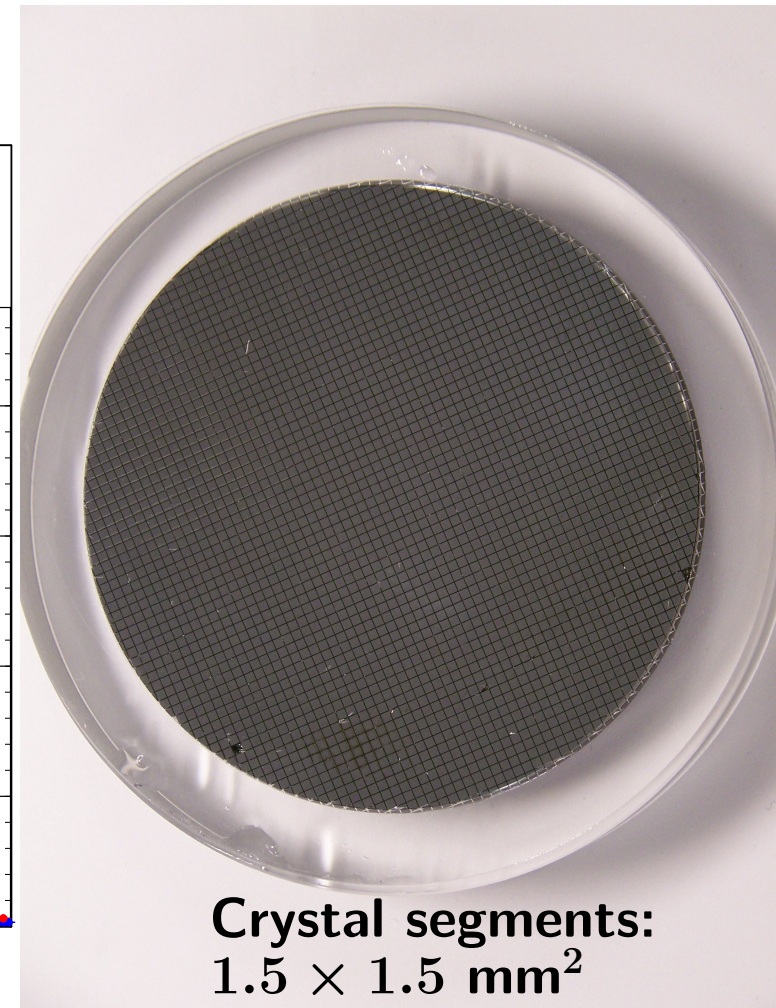
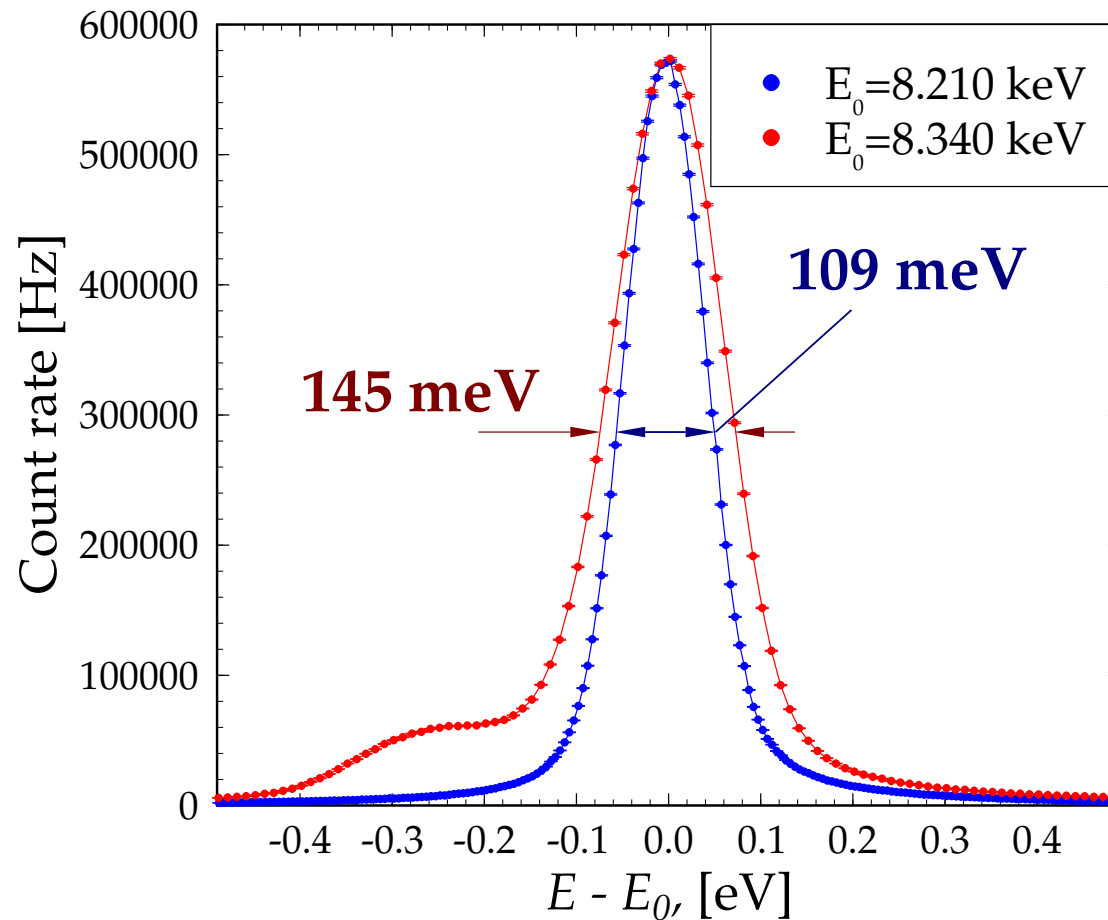
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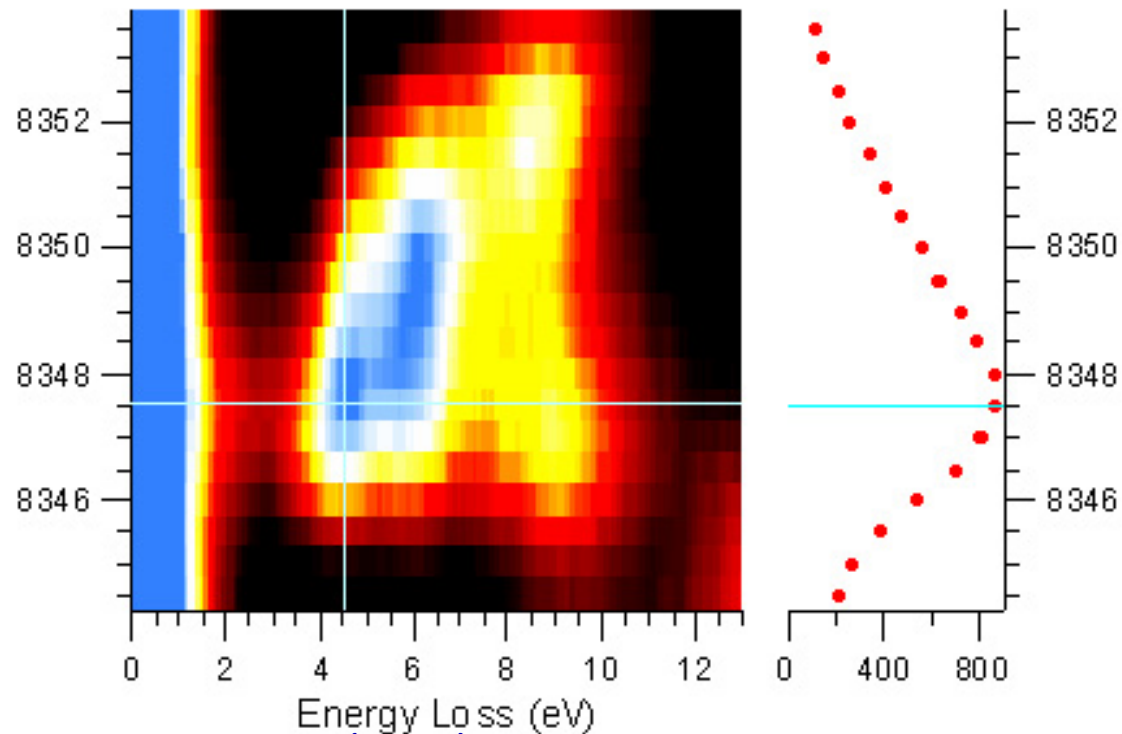
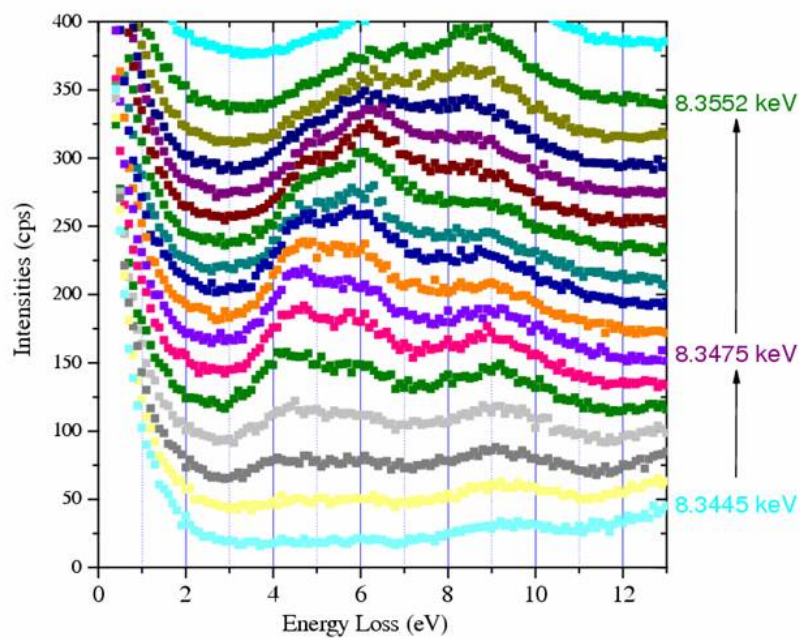
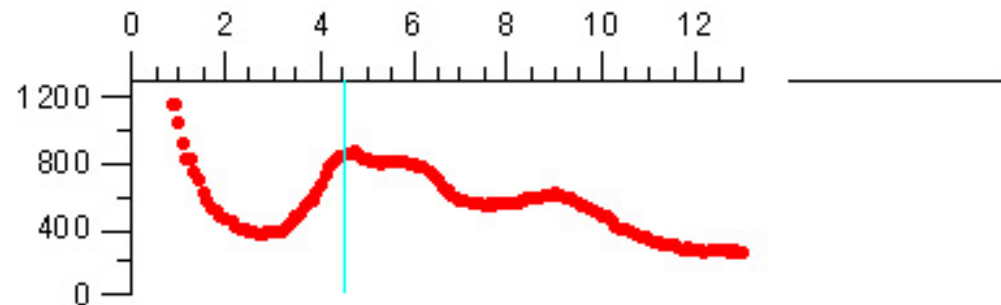
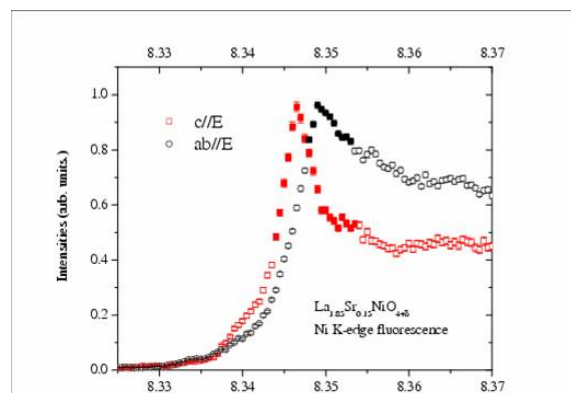
Ge(2 4 6) analyzer  
 $R_A = 1$  m & strip detector



Expected: **123 meV @ 8.340 keV** and **105 meV @ 8.210 keV**, respectively



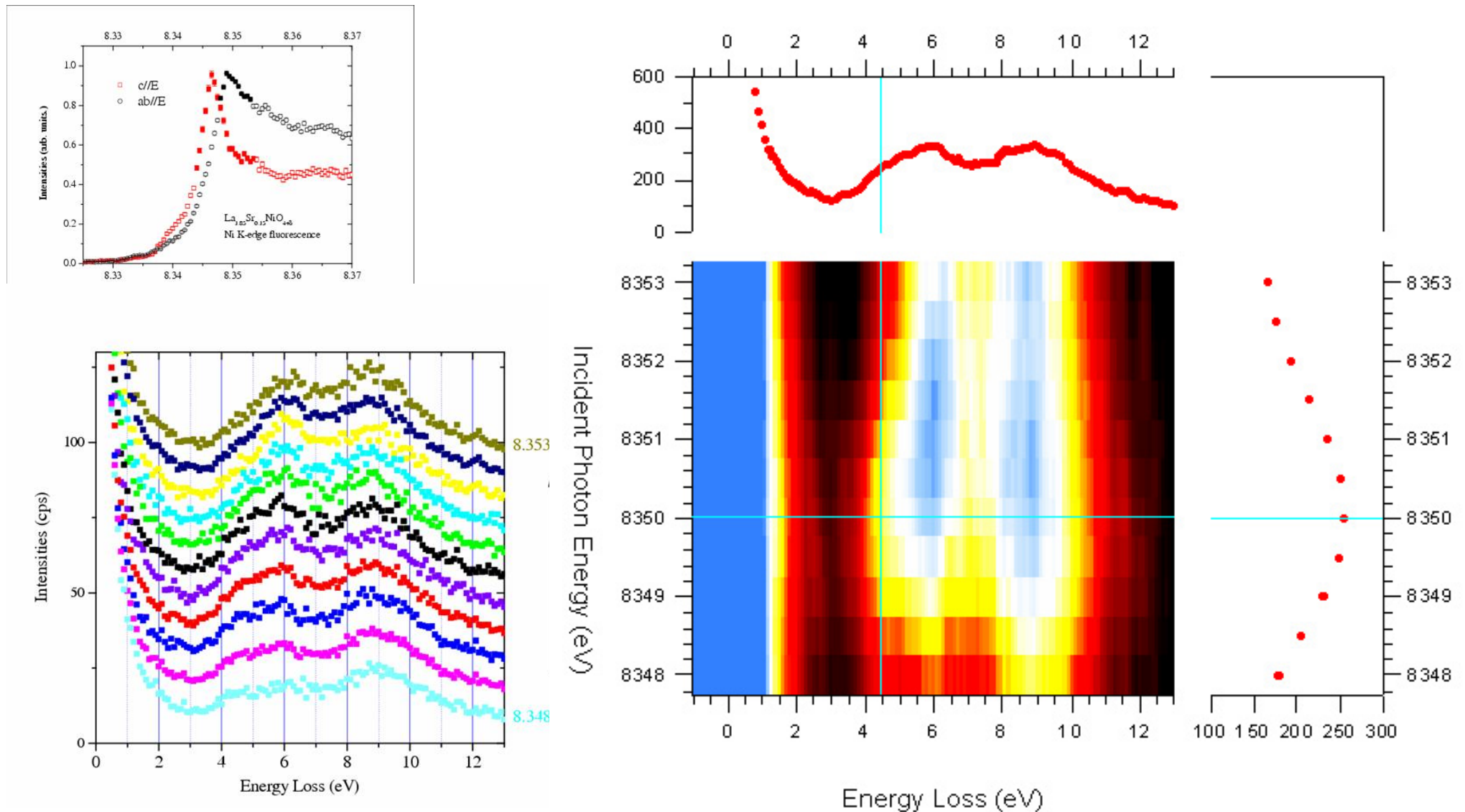
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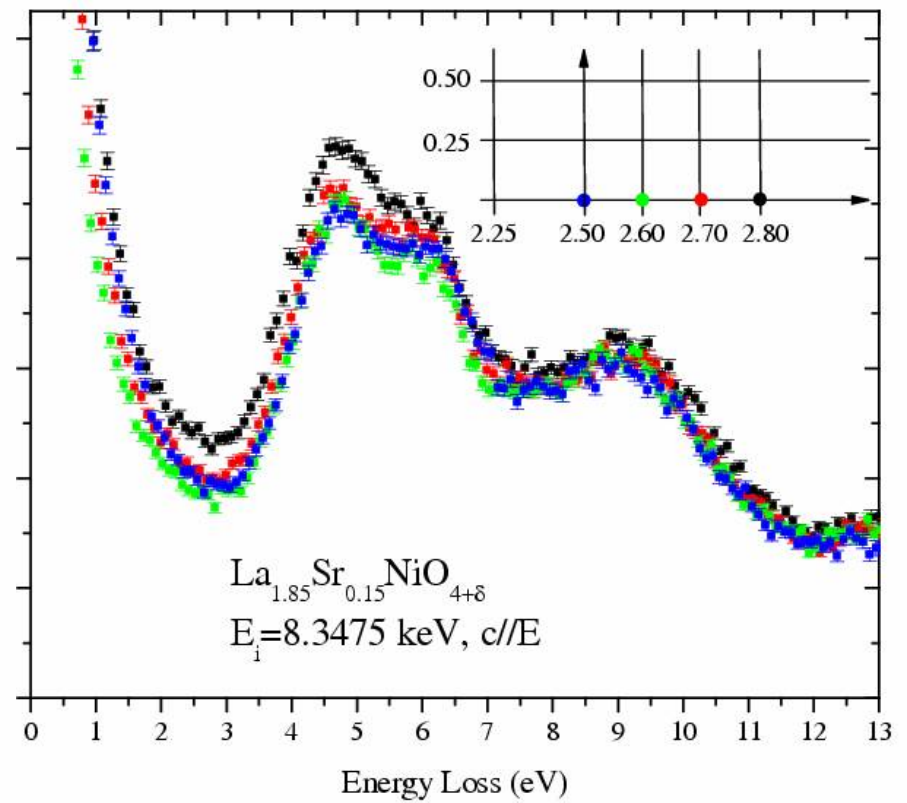
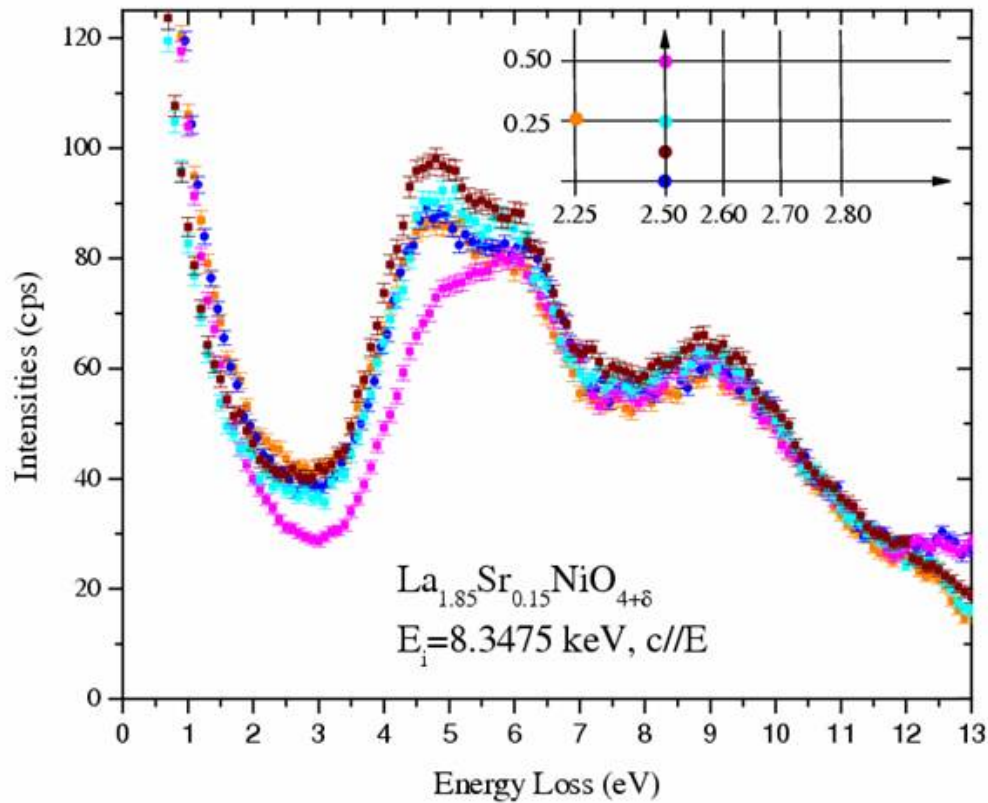


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# Ni K-edge RIXS in $\text{La}_{1.85}\text{Sr}_{0.15}\text{NiO}_{4+\delta}$ : $\vec{Q}$ -Dependence

$$\vec{Q} = (h, k, 0)$$

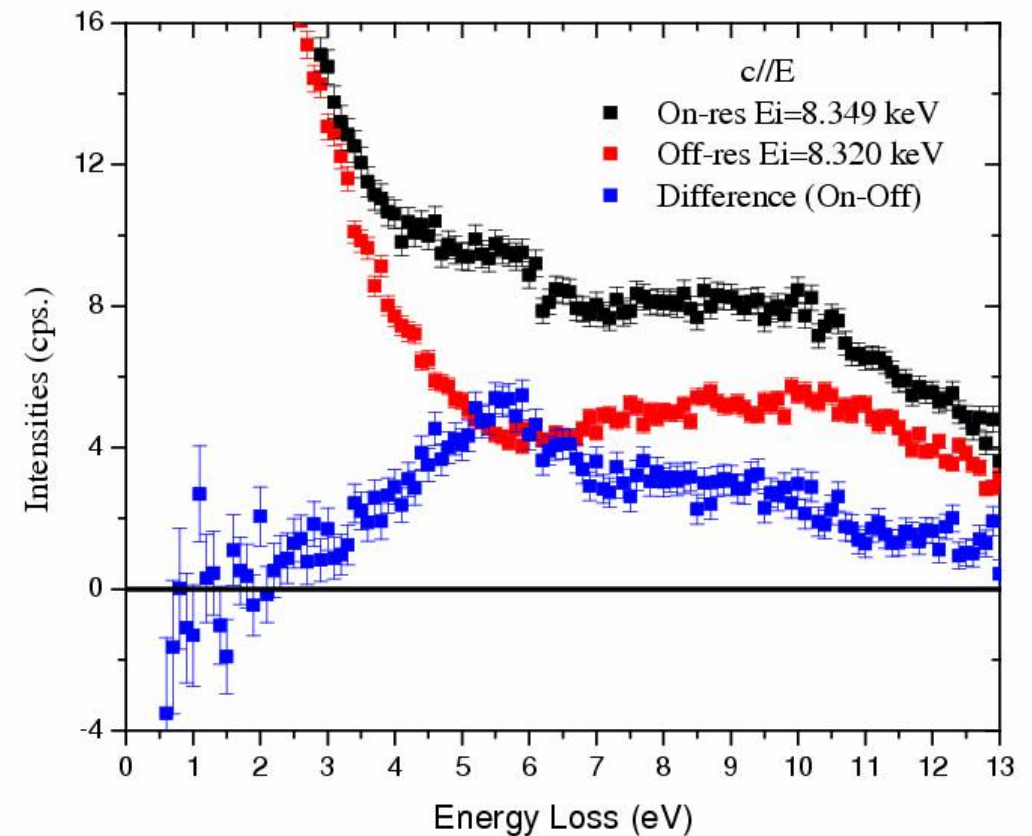
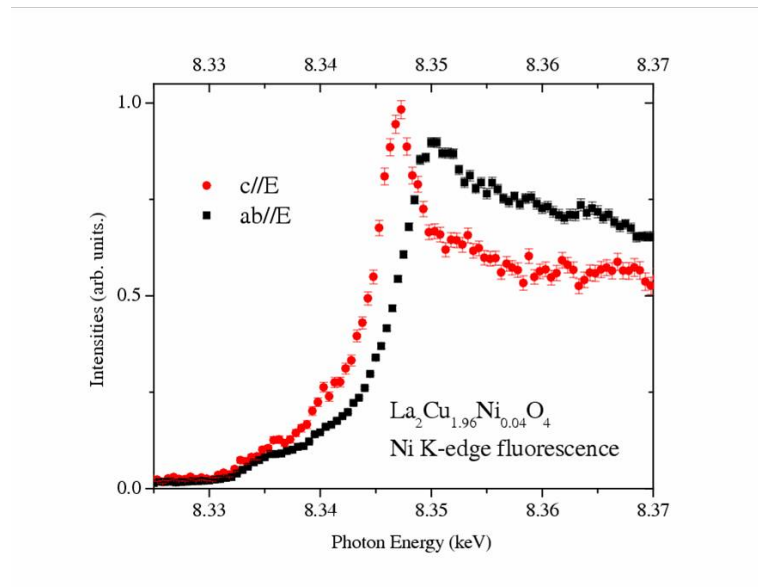


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# K-edge RIXS in Strongly Diluted Samples

## Ni K-edge RIXS in $\text{La}_2\text{Cu}_{0.96}\text{Ni}_{0.04}\text{O}_4$

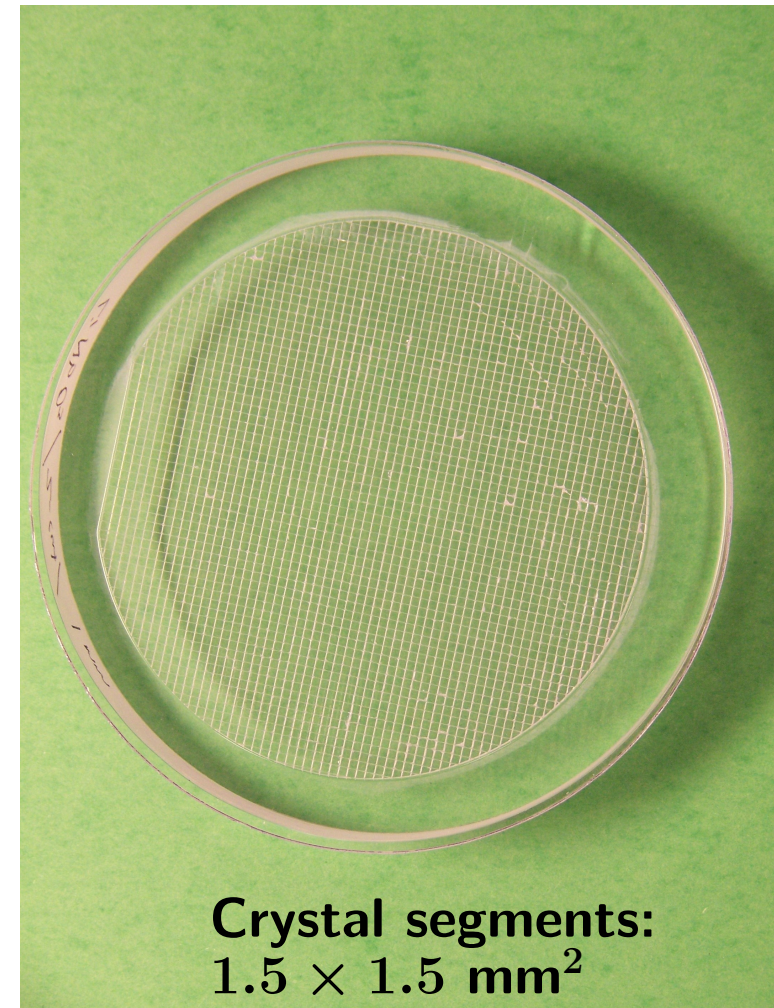
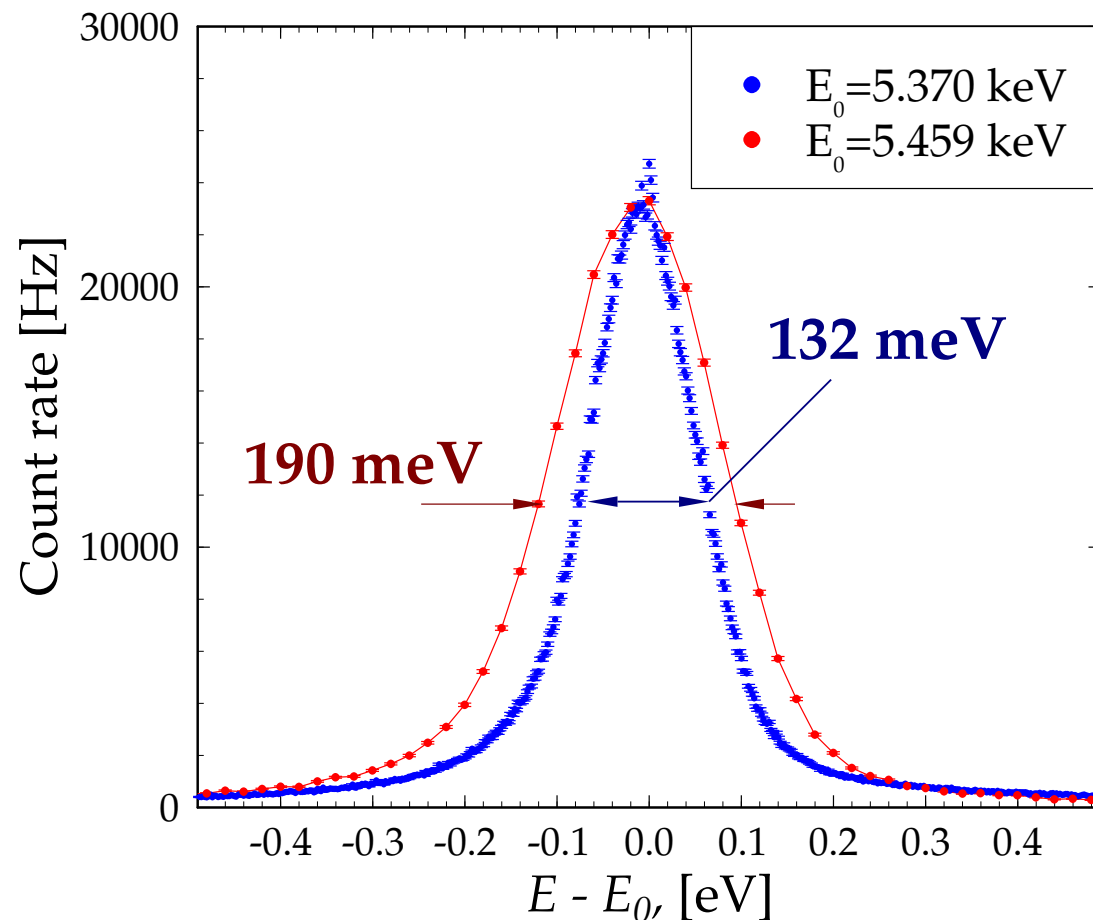


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# V K-edge RIXS Analyzer

**LiNbO<sub>3</sub>(0 0 0 12) analyzer**  
 $R_A = 1$  m & strip detector



**Expected: 145 meV @ 5.459 keV and 130 meV @ 5.370 keV, respectively**



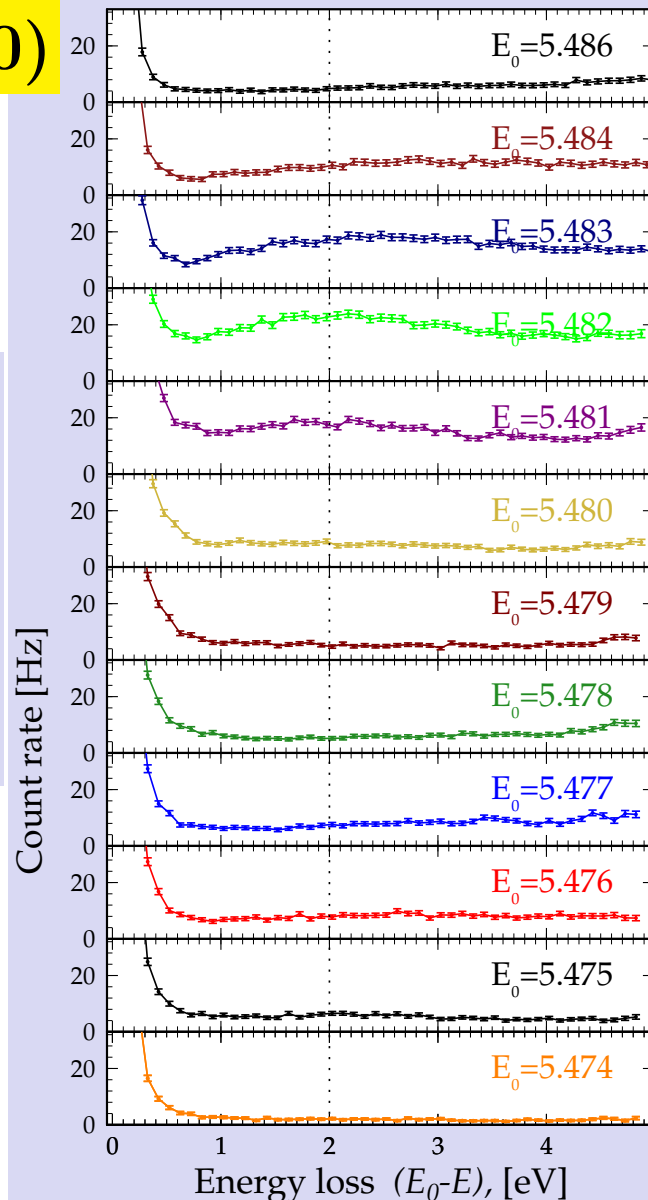
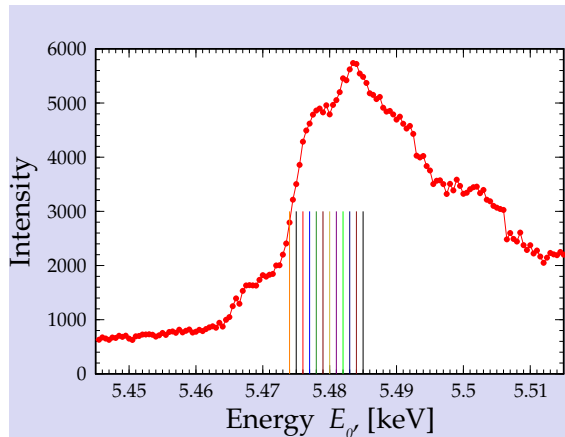
# V K-edge RIXS in $V_2O_3$ : $E_0$ -dependence

$$\vec{Q} = (0.75 \ 0.75 \ 0)$$

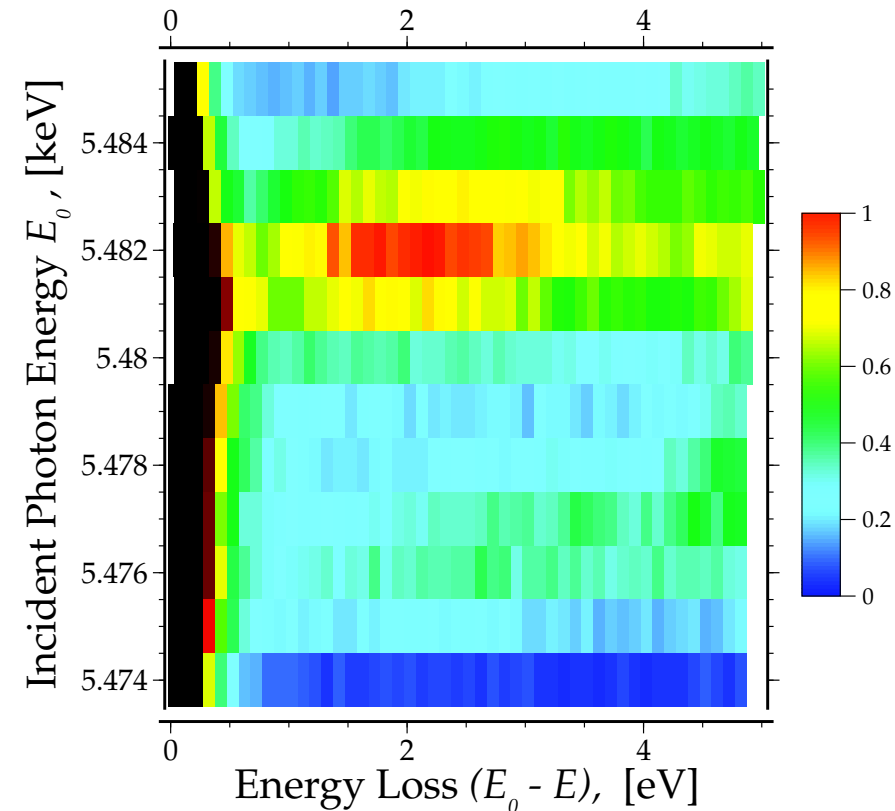
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$K_\alpha$  fluorescence

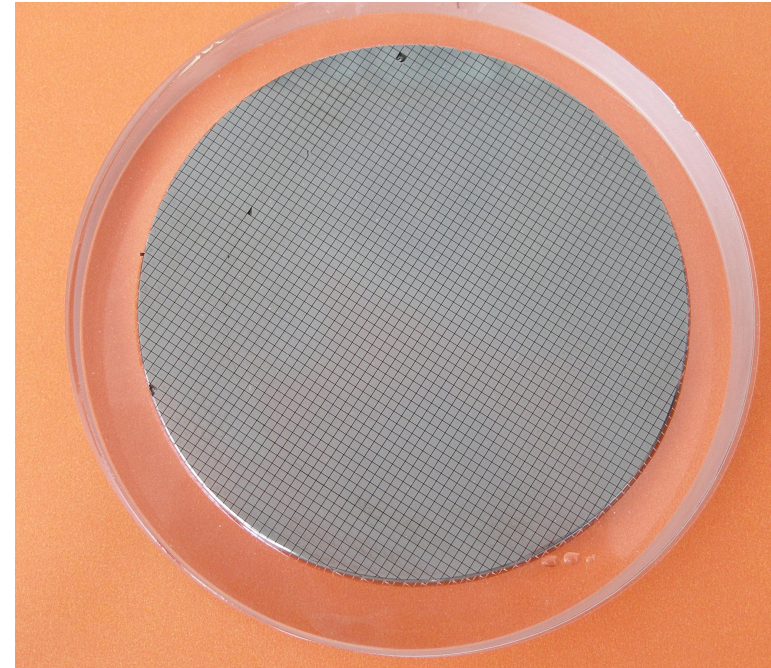
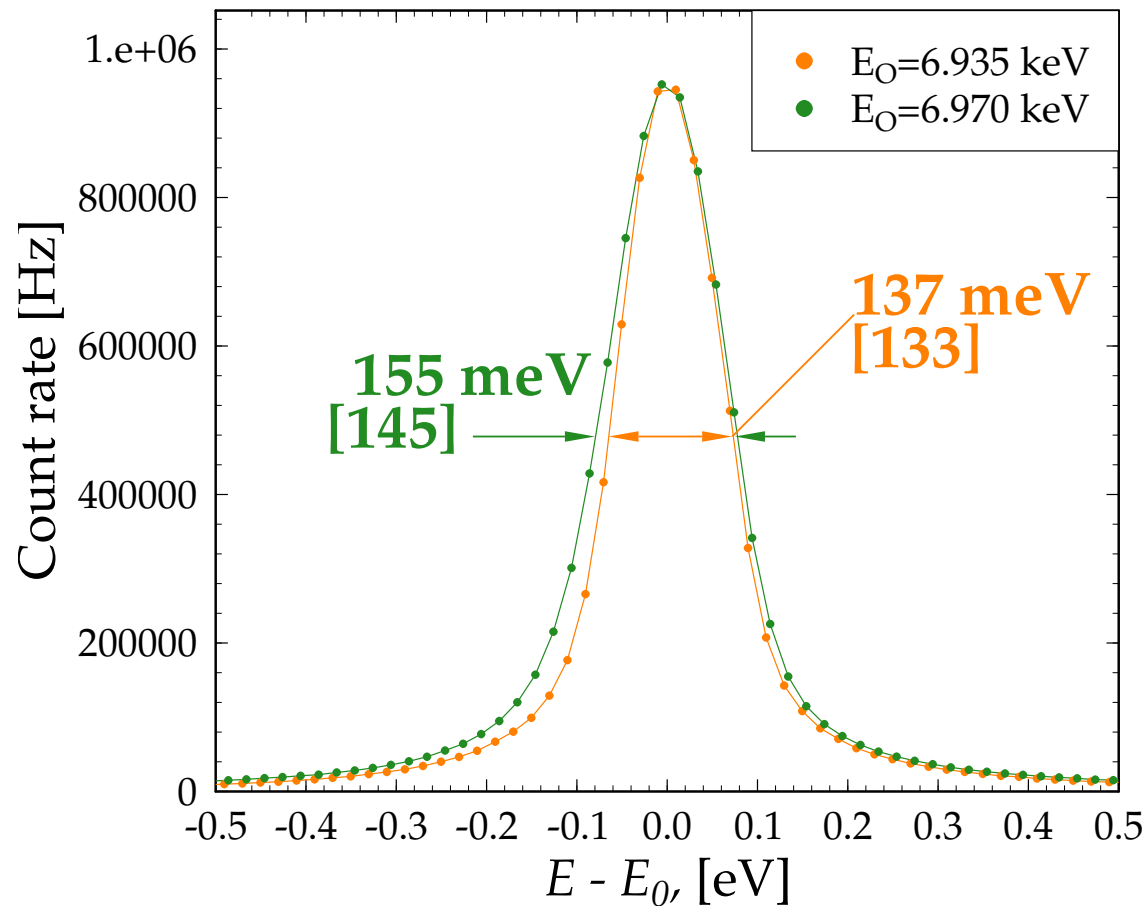


Measurement time 35 min/spectrum

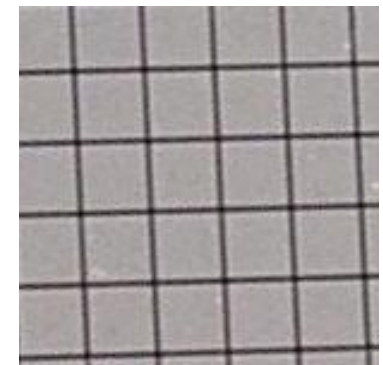


# Eu L-edge RIXS Analyzer:

Ge(6 2 0) analyzer,  $R_A = 1$  m



Crystal segments:  
 $1.5 \times 1.5$  mm<sup>2</sup>





# RIXS Analyzers for MERIX

tested

exist

in production

Element	$E$ [keV]	Crystal	Reflec- tion	$\Delta E_i$ intr. [meV]	$\Delta E_g$ geom. [meV]	$\Delta E_{tot}$ total [meV]
V(O)	5.480	LiNbO <sub>3</sub>	( 0 0 $\bar{0}$ 12)	109	71	130
Cr(O)	6.009	Si	( 5 1 1)	52.2	61	81
Mn(O)	6.555	Si	( 0 4 4)	62	72	95
Fe(O)	7.130	Ge	( 6 2 0)	115	108	158
Co(O)	7.720	LiNbO <sub>3</sub>	( 3 3 $\bar{6}$ 6)	49	36	60
Ni(O)	8.345	LiNbO <sub>3</sub>	( 0 6 $\bar{6}$ 0)	50	19	54
		Ge	( 2 4 6)	76	99	123
Cu(O)	8.990	Ge	( 3 3 7)	42	41	59
Eu	6.977	Ge	( 6 2 0)	112	51	123
Yb	8.944	Ge	( 0 0 8)	64	131	145



# Summary

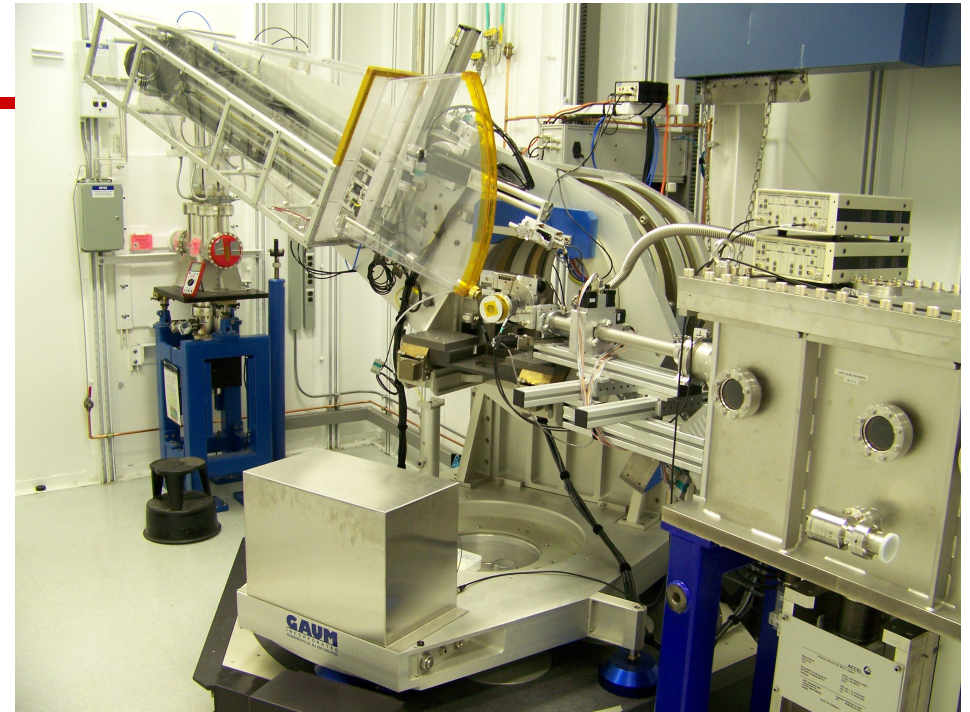
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- **November 2006: MERIX design parameters are achieved.**
- **February 2007: User operations started.**
- **February 2007: Next generation x-ray optics and detector is tested:**
  - 1. Narrower spectral function (52 meV)**
  - 2. Count rates increased by  $> 10$ , compared to the original design.**
- **K-edge RIXS spectroscopy in Cu, Ni, Co, Fe and V samples demonstrated.**
- **L-edge RIXS spectroscopy in Eu samples demonstrated.**
- **Analyzer tests and development is in progress**



# Welcome to MERIX

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**MERIX became a user instrument from 2007.**

**The APS makes beamtime available to the international scientific community through the General User Program at: [www.aps.anl.gov/Users/Scientific\\_Access/General\\_User/index.html](http://www.aps.anl.gov/Users/Scientific_Access/General_User/index.html).**

**Deadline for proposals for run cycle 2008-1 is 5-NOV-07**

