

# Electro-Optical Measurements at the Swiss Light Source (SLS) Linac at the PSI

## First Results



**RWTH**



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- electro-optical sampling
  - general remarks
  - experimental setup
  - synchronisation between TiSa-laser and linac RF
- results of February 2004
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# Motivation

- knowledge of the electron bunch structure is extremely important for both linear collider and free electron laser.
- electro-optical sampling (EOS) offers the possibility to obtain precise results on a realtime scale.
- challenge: synchronisation between TiSa-laser and RF

# Electro-optic Sampling

- requirements:

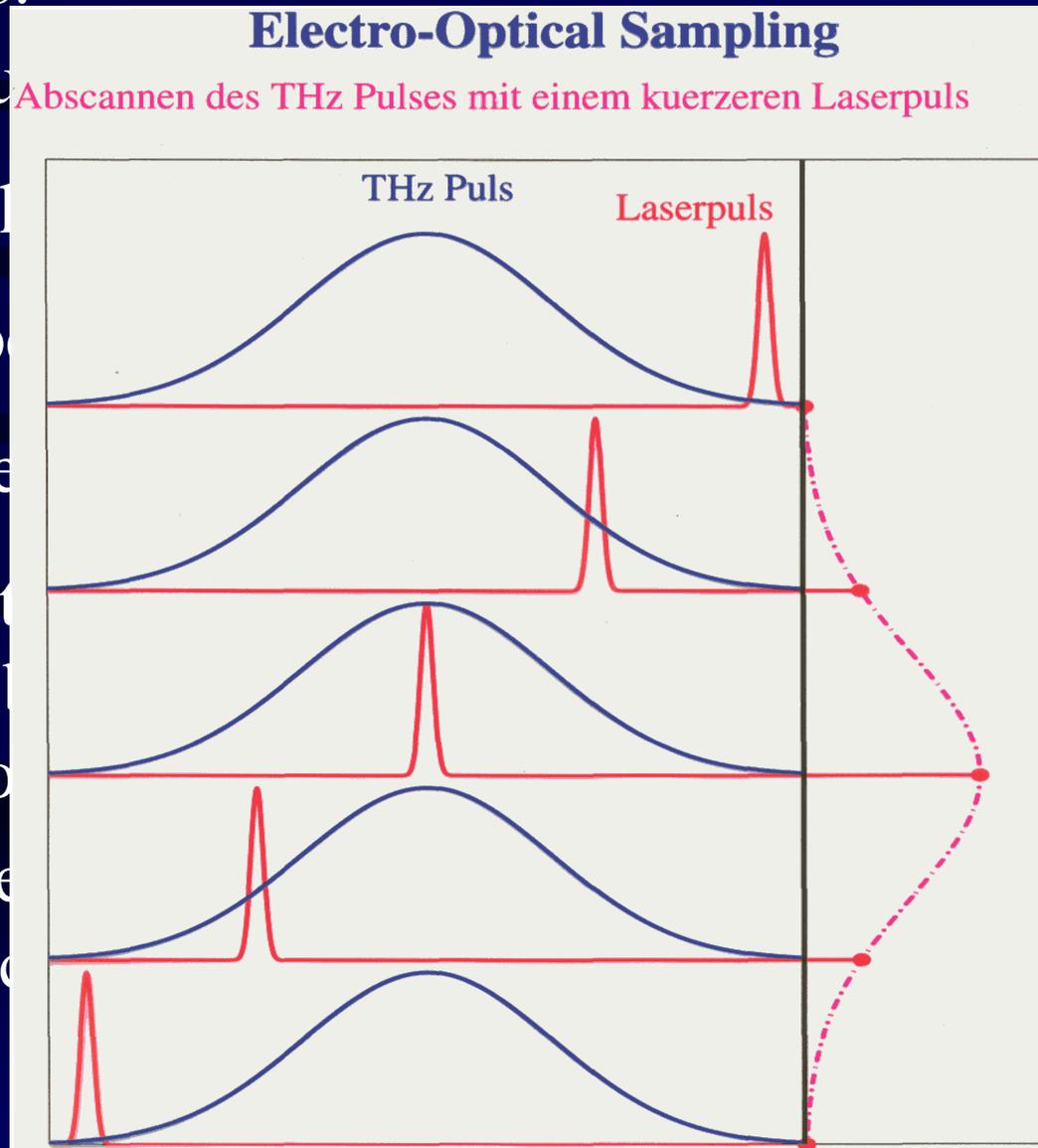
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... (CTR) reflected

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# electro-optical effects in anisotropic crystals

- for a homogeneous medium:

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \epsilon \mathbf{E}$$

- surfaces of constant energy are ellipsoids in D-space

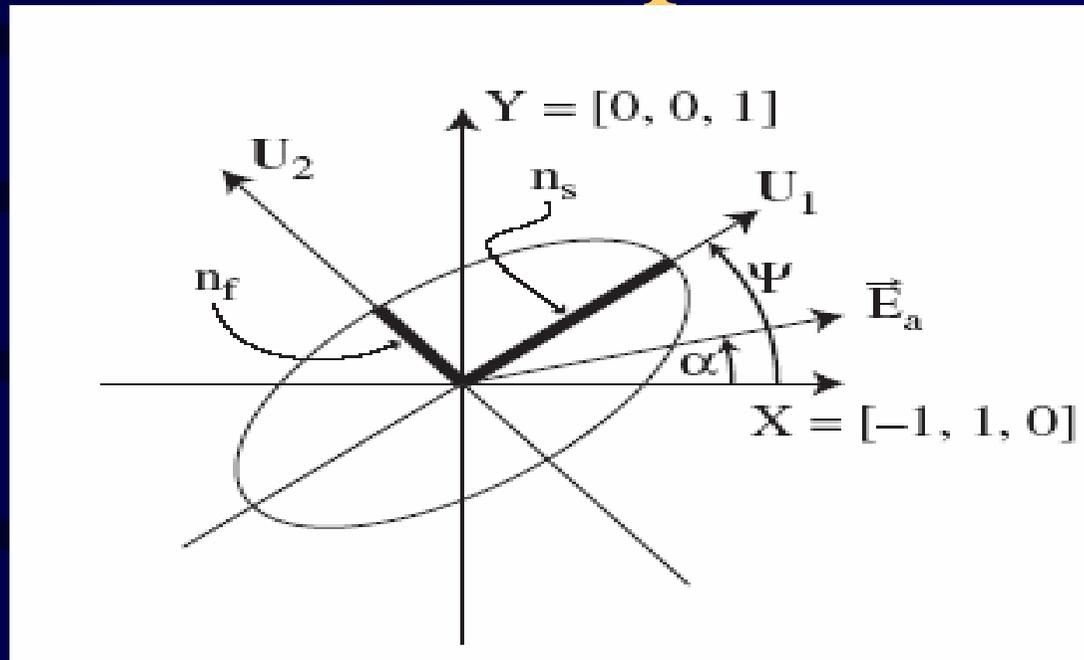
$$\epsilon_0 w_e = \mathbf{D} \cdot \hat{\epsilon}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{D} = \frac{D_1^2}{\epsilon_1} + \frac{D_2^2}{\epsilon_2} + \frac{D_3^2}{\epsilon_3}$$

with  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{D} / \sqrt{2\epsilon_0 w_e}$  leads to  $\frac{u_1^2}{n_1^2} + \frac{u_2^2}{n_2^2} + \frac{u_3^2}{n_3^2} = 1$

with  $\hat{\eta} = \hat{\epsilon}^{-1}$  the index ellipsoid can be rewritten

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{\eta} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 1$$

# index ellipsoid



- find plane through the origin of the index ellipsoid perpendicular to the direction of the propagating light ray
- The two axes of this intersecting ellipse are equal in length to  $n_s$  and  $n_f$ .
- These axes are parallel to the directions of the displacement vector of the two independent plane waves that can propagate along a direction  $s$  in the crystal.

# Pockels effect in Zinc-Telluride

- for strong electric fields, susceptibility becomes nonlinear

$$\mathbf{P} = \epsilon_0(\chi_e^{(0)} \mathbf{E} + \chi_e^{(1)} \mathbf{E}^2 + \chi_e^{(2)} \mathbf{E}^3 \dots)$$

- this means for the impermeability tensor:

$$\hat{\eta}(\mathbf{E}) = \epsilon^{-1} \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

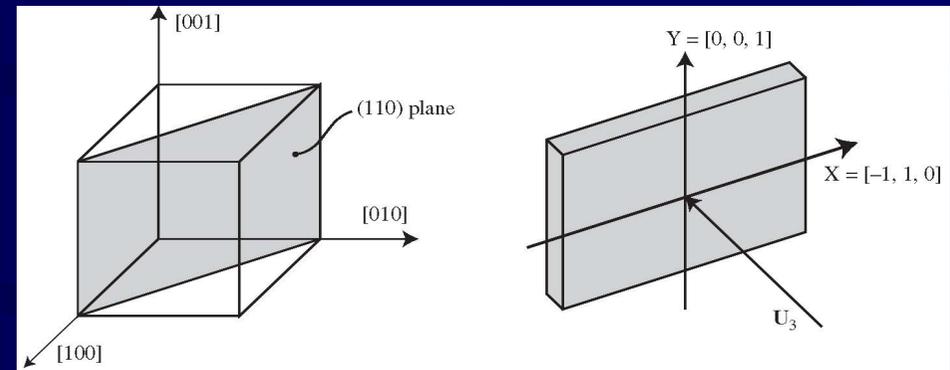
- For ZnTe (zincblende structure), only one independent component of  $\mathbf{r}$  remains, so the equation for the index ellipsoid becomes:

$$\frac{1}{n_0^2}(u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2) + 2r_{41}(E_1 u_2 u_3 + E_2 u_3 u_1 + E_3 u_1 u_2) = 1$$

# determination of the main refractive indices

- Crystal cut parallel to (110)-plane

- coordinate system:  $X = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $Y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$



- incident vector:  $E_a = E_a \begin{pmatrix} -\cos \alpha/2 \\ \cos \alpha/2 \\ \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix}$

- this means for the index ellipsoid:

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}(\mathbf{E}_a) \cdot \mathbf{u} = 1$$

with

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}(\mathbf{E}_a) = \frac{1}{n_0^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + r_{41} E_a \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha / \sqrt{2} \\ \sin \alpha & 0 & -\cos \alpha / \sqrt{2} \\ \cos \alpha / \sqrt{2} & -\cos \alpha / \sqrt{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# determination of the main refractive indices II

- calculate eigenvalues of  $\hat{\eta}(\mathbf{E})$ :

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{1}{n_0^2} - \frac{r_{41}E_\alpha}{2} \left( \sin \alpha \pm \sqrt{1 + 3 \cos^2 \alpha} \right), \quad \lambda_3 = \frac{1}{n_0^2} + r_{41}E_\alpha \sin \alpha$$

- the main refractive indices are given by  $n_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_i}}$
- considering  $r_{41}E_\alpha \ll 1/n^2$  and expanding the root:

$$n_1 = n_0 + \frac{n_0^3 r_{41} E_\alpha}{4} \left( \sin \alpha + \sqrt{1 + 3 \cos^2 \alpha} \right)$$

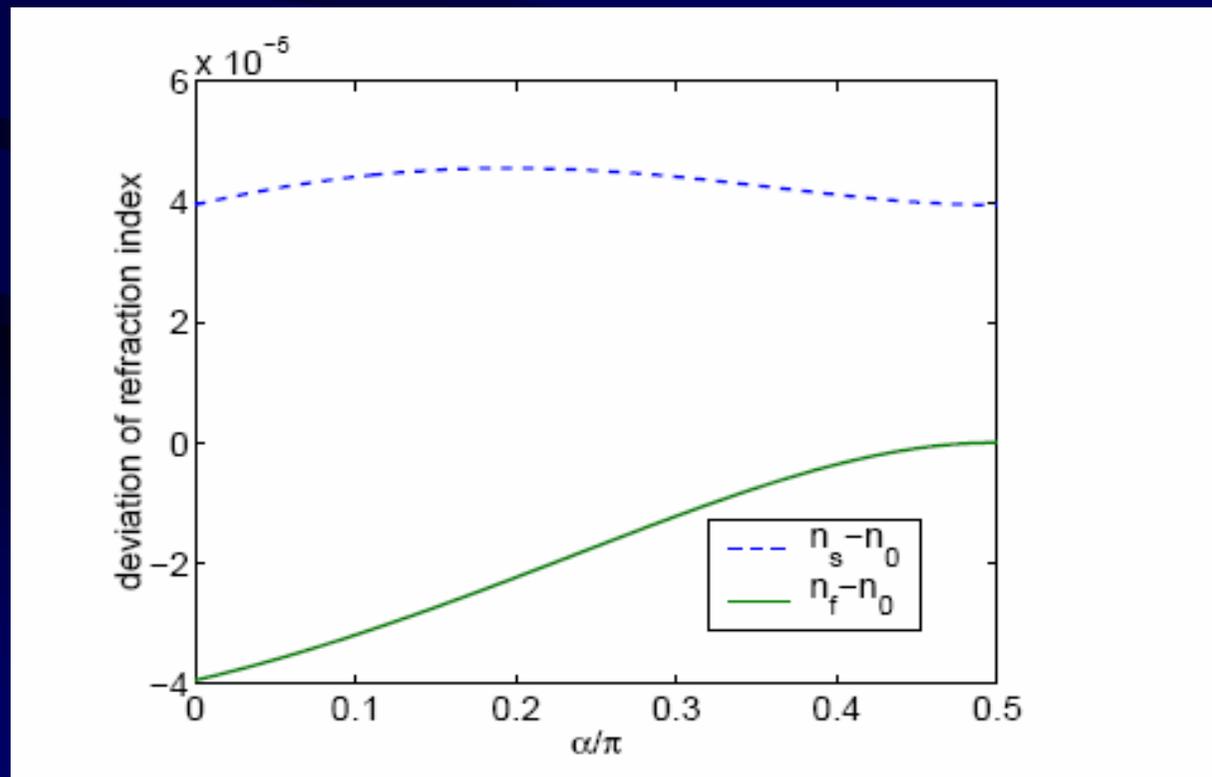
$$n_2 = n_0 + \frac{n_0^3 r_{41} E_\alpha}{4} \left( \sin \alpha - \sqrt{1 + 3 \cos^2 \alpha} \right)$$

$$n_3 = n_0 - \frac{n_0^3 r_{41} E_\alpha}{2} \sin \alpha$$

# determination of the main refractive indices III

- TiSa laser beam is incident along the  $[-1, -1, 0]/\sqrt{2}$  direction (one of the eigenvectors of the system), so  $\mathbf{E}_b$  lies in (110)-plane.

$$\Gamma(\alpha) = \frac{\omega d}{c}(n_1 - n_2) = \frac{\omega d}{2c}n_0^3 r_{41} E_a \sqrt{1 + 3 \cos^2 \alpha}$$

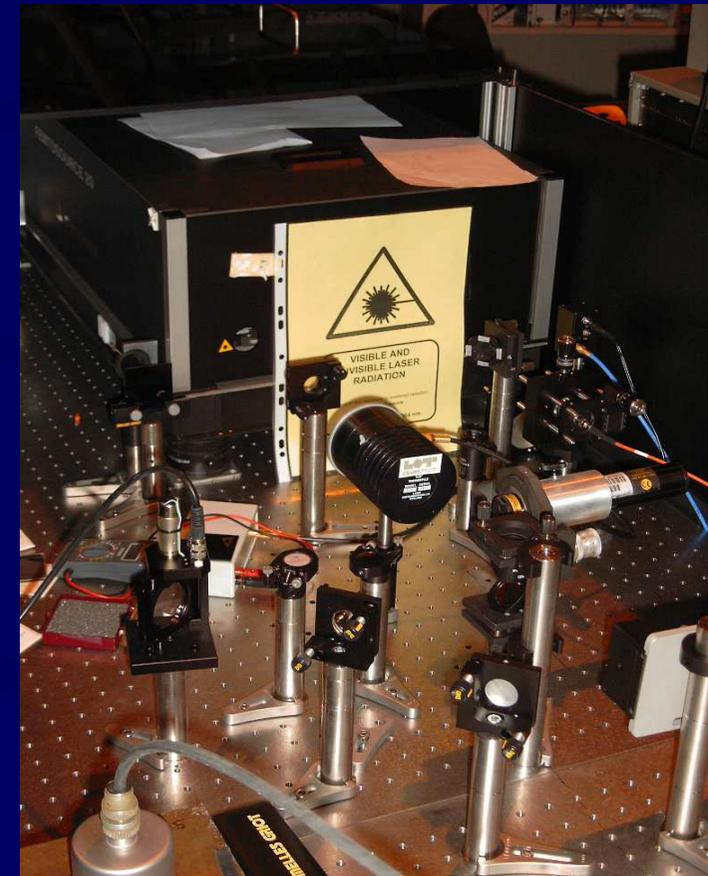
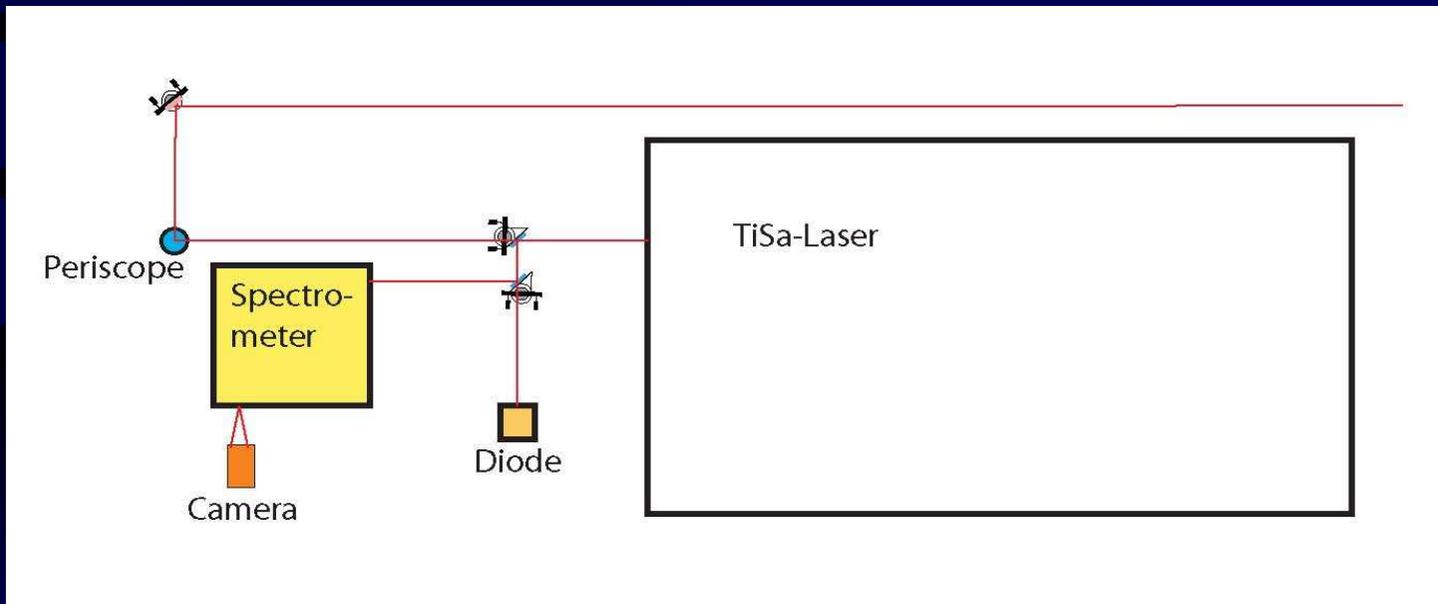


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# Outside Schematic

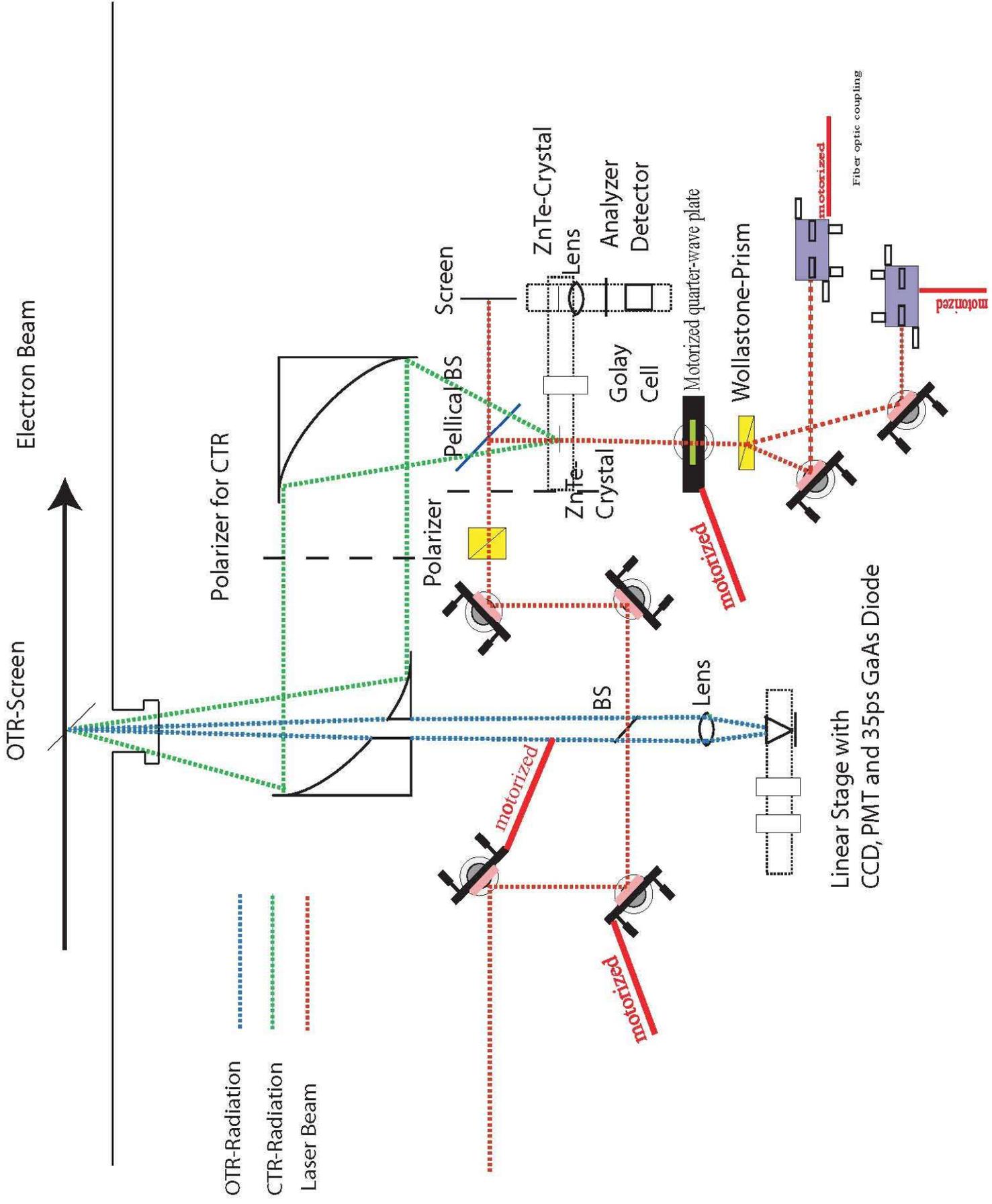
- optical table outside linac bunker with the fs-Laser
- area is temperature stabilized to 24°



# Beam Transfer

- 15m beam transfer line into bunker with 2 lenses to image beam profile at exit of laser on to crystal
- due to dispersion in lenses: pulse length of 130fs
- due to good temperature stabilisation negligible short and long term drifts of laser spot inside tunnel

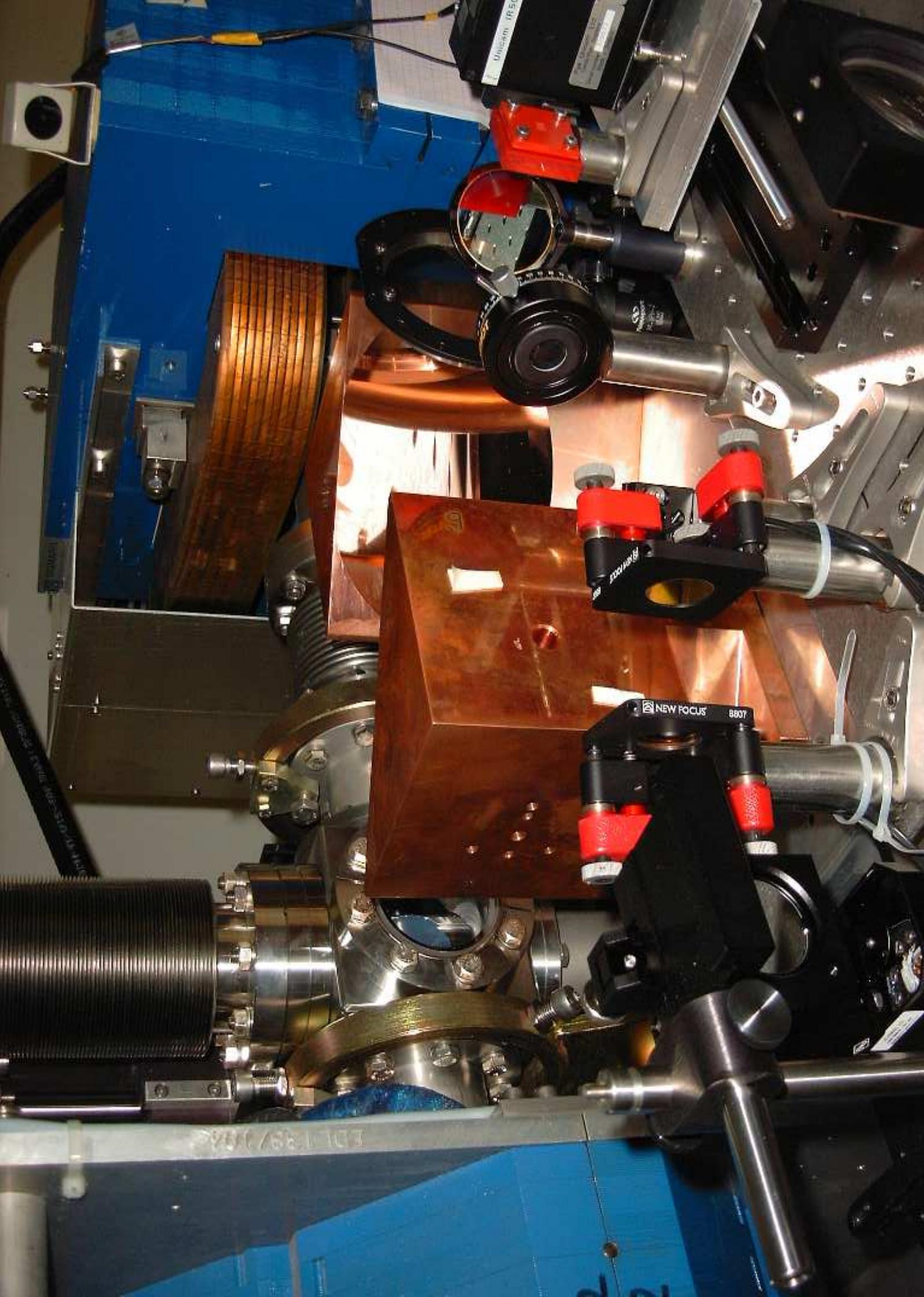


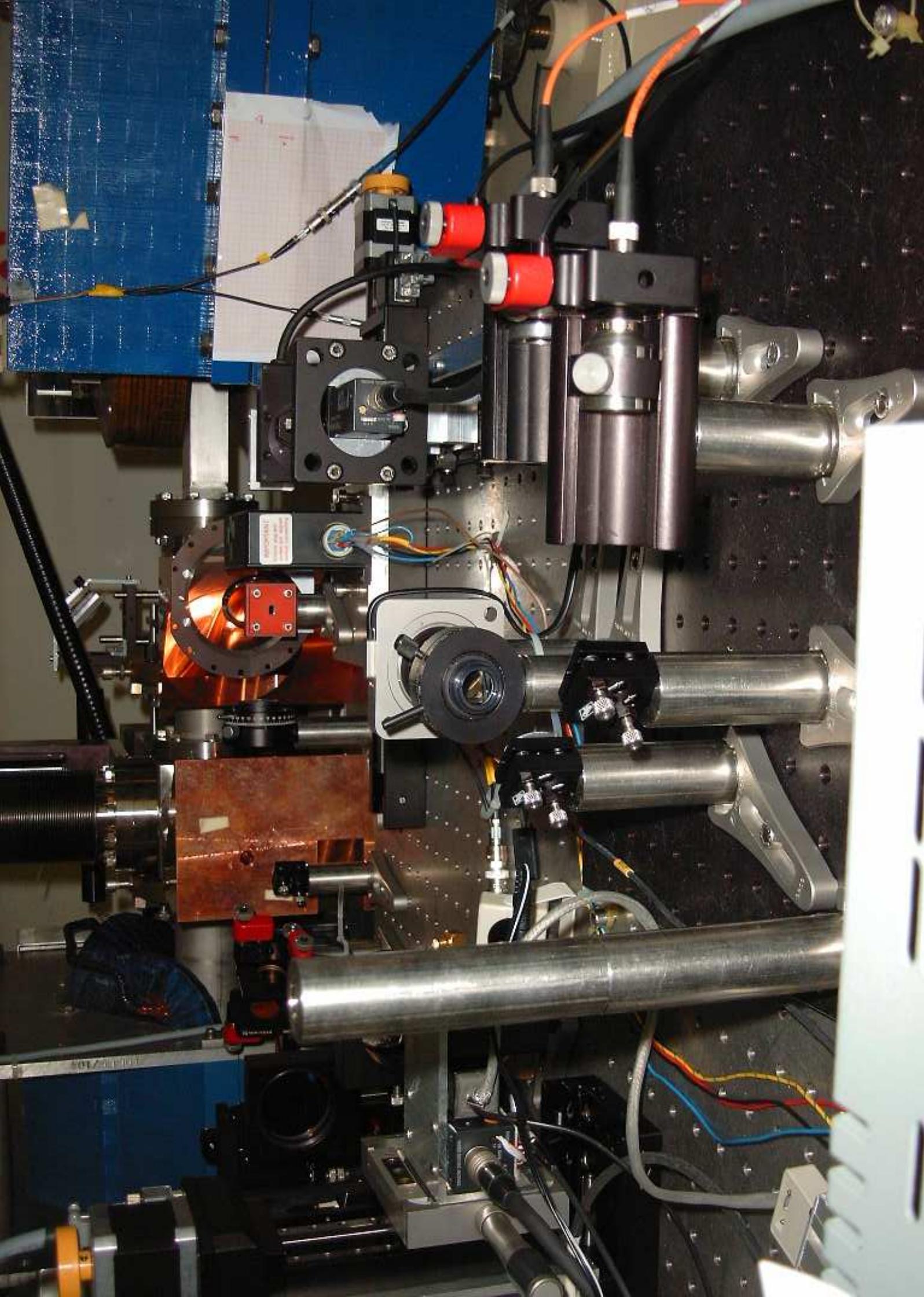


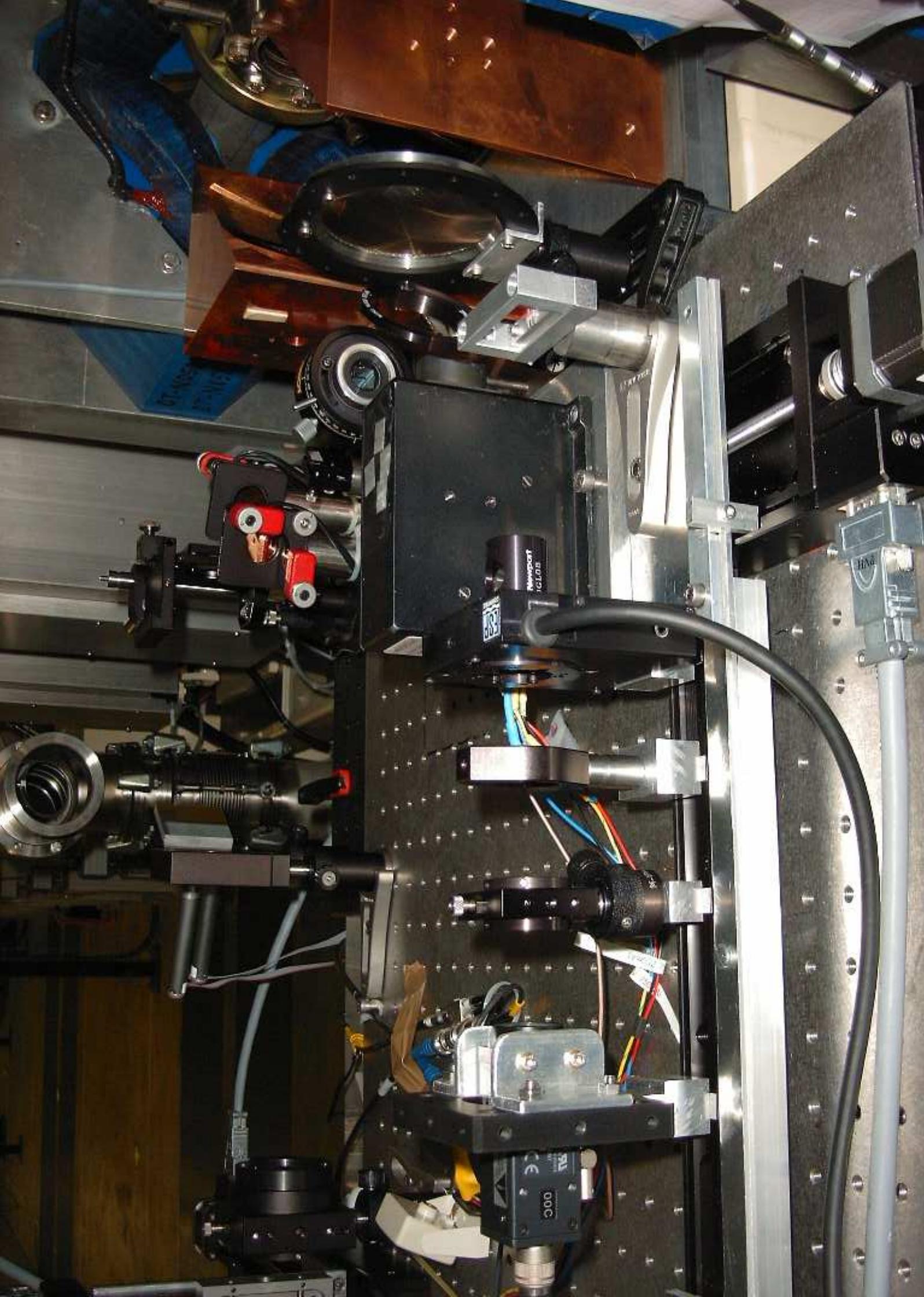
OTR-Radiation  
 CTR-Radiation  
 Laser Beam

Linear Stage with  
 CCD, PMT and 35ps GaAs Diode

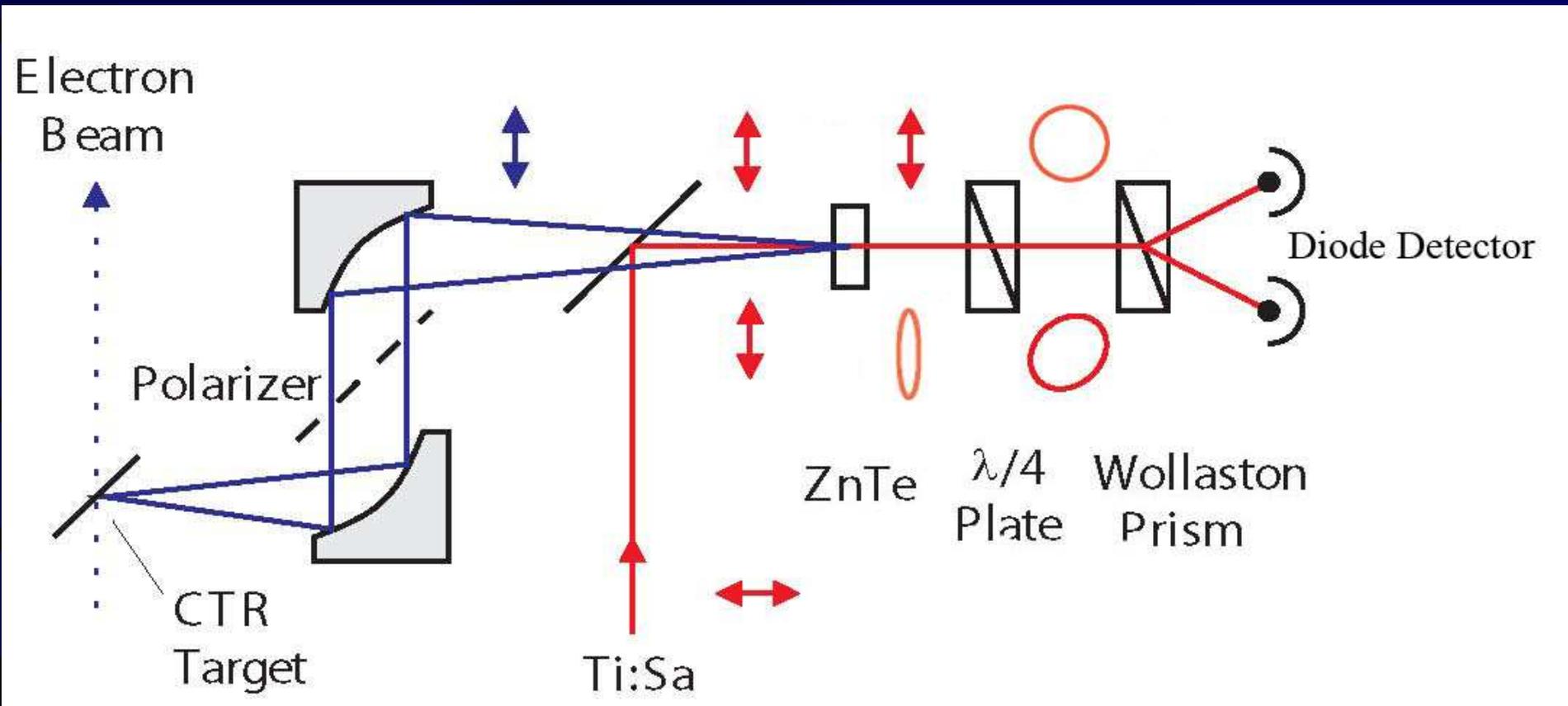
Fiber optic coupling







# Polarization of Laser and CTR



- Laser and CTR are horizontally polarized
- laser polarisation is slightly elliptical after crystal
- elliptical part of laser polarisation is converted to an elliptical polarisation by quarter wave plate

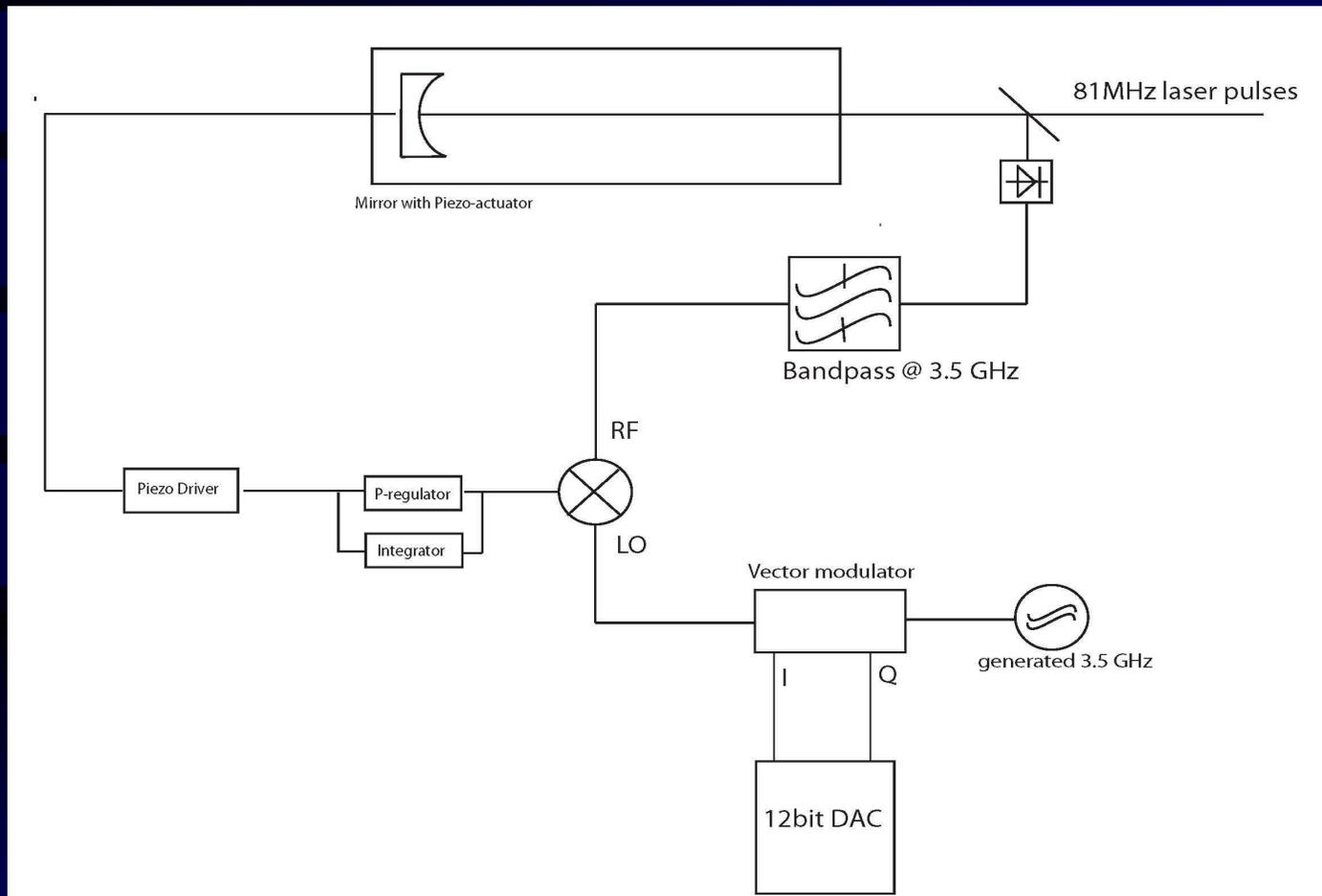
# experimental procedure

- scan interval of 12.5 ns with 1ps stepwidth @3.125 Hz: measurement time of 1 hour!
- solution: find coarse overlap between OTR and bunch (accuracy of about 100ps) and scan with high accuracy around that spot.

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# Synchronisation Scheme



phase-locked loop (PLL)

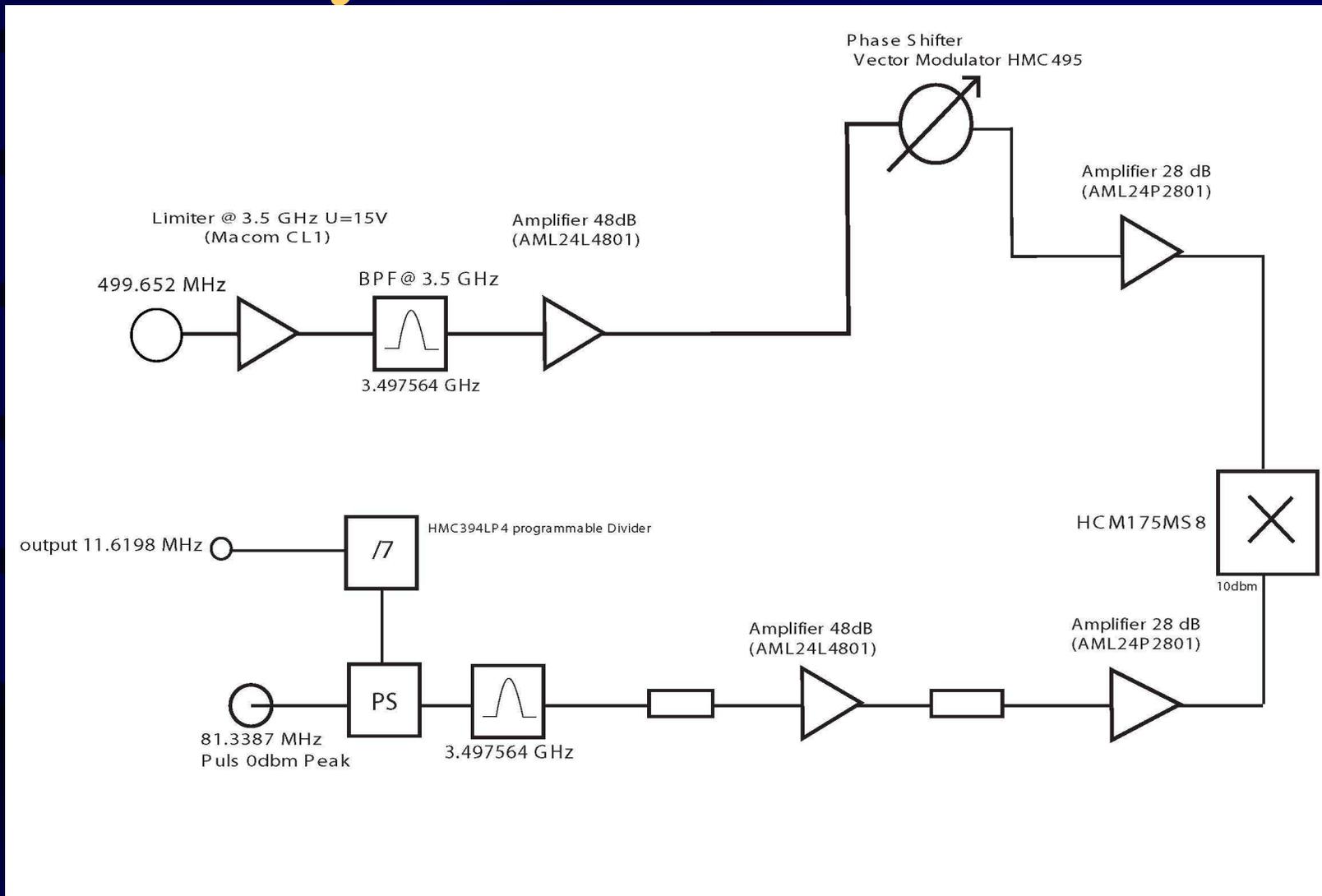
$$f_{\text{laser}} = 81 \text{ MHz}$$

$$f_{\text{RF}} = 500 \text{ MHz}$$

$$f_{\text{dm}} = 3.5 \text{ GHz}$$

scanning done by  
phase shift of the  
3.5GHz local  
oscillator (LO) with a  
vector modulator

# Synchronisation II



- 7th harmonic from linac RF generated through limiter amplifier
- phase shift through vector modulator
- downmixed with 43rd harmonic of laser

# Timing

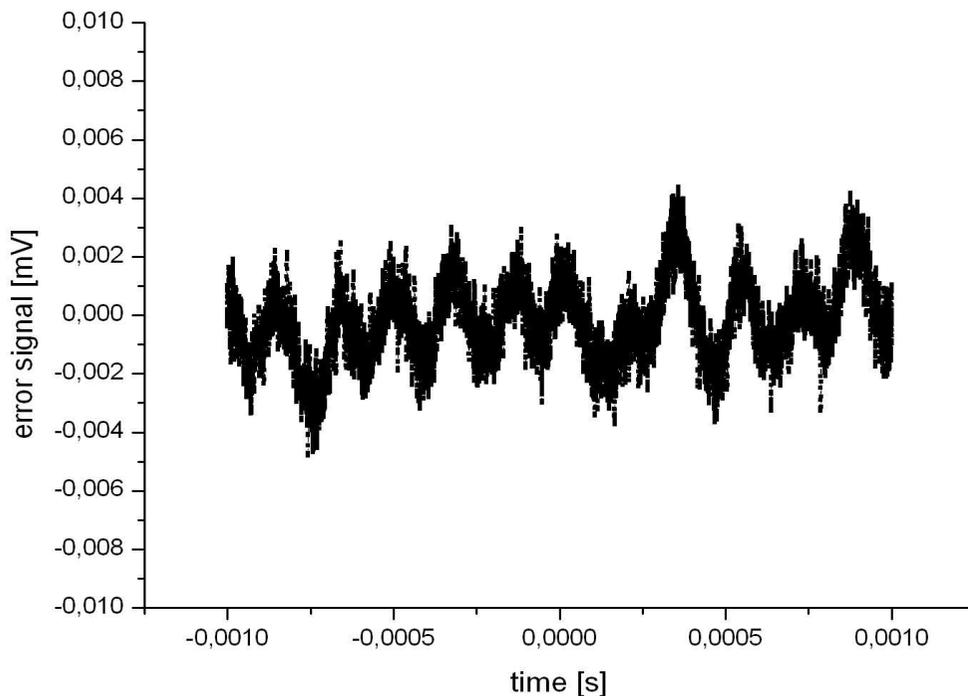
- only every 7th laser pulse is at the same spot relative to the linac RF (every 43rd RF cycle)
- problem: linac trigger must be synchronized to laser
- solution: downconverting of 81MHz to 11.65MHz ( $=81\text{MHz}/7$ )  
synchronising that to the 3.125 Hz Linac trigger

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# Synchronisation Accuracy

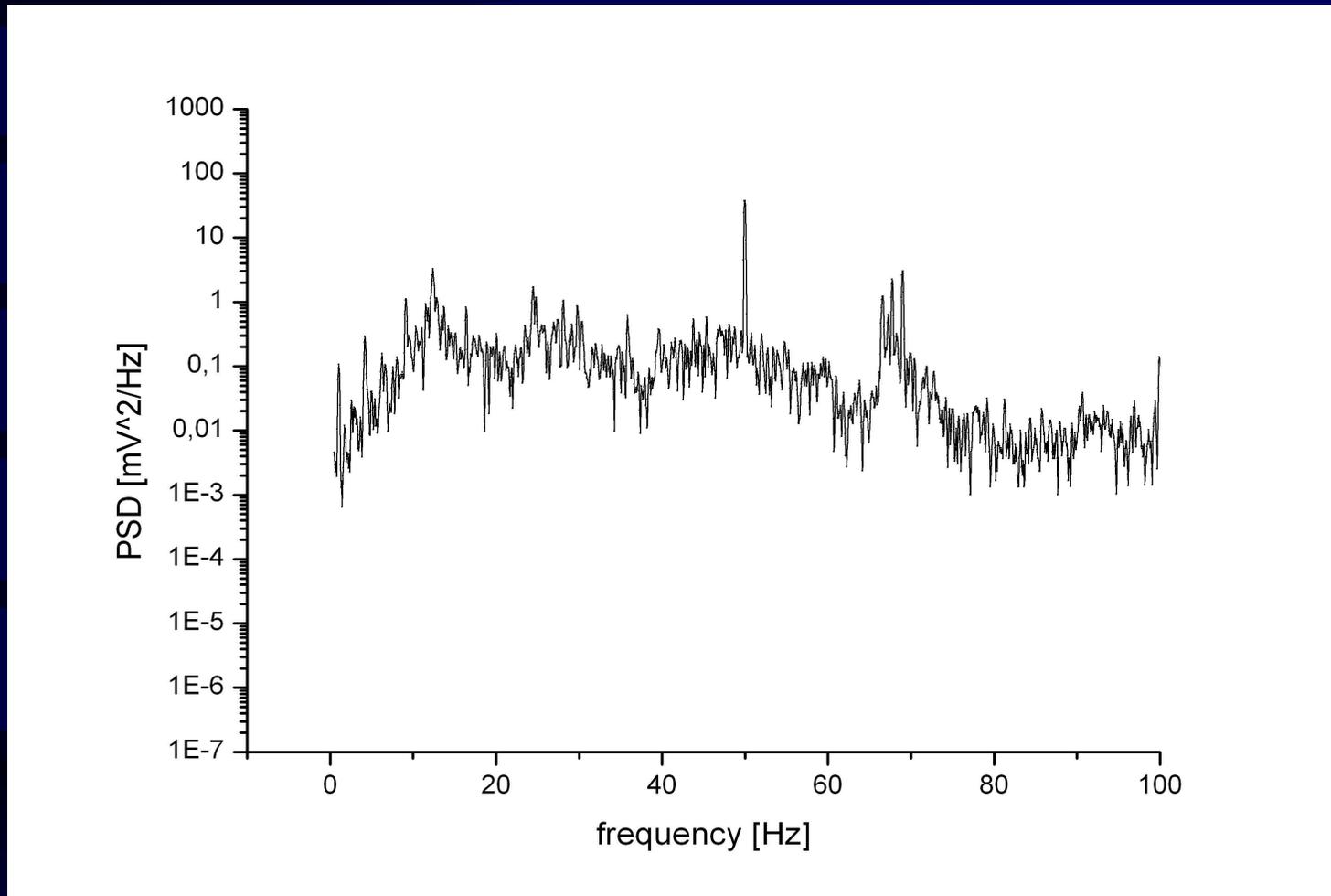
- open loop: 230mV rms for 45° phase shift that is 5.1mV per degree phase shift at 3.5 GHz  $1^\circ=793\text{fs}$ , so 1mV per 155fs jitter



measured rms value: 420 $\mu$ V

**accuracy of 65fs reached**

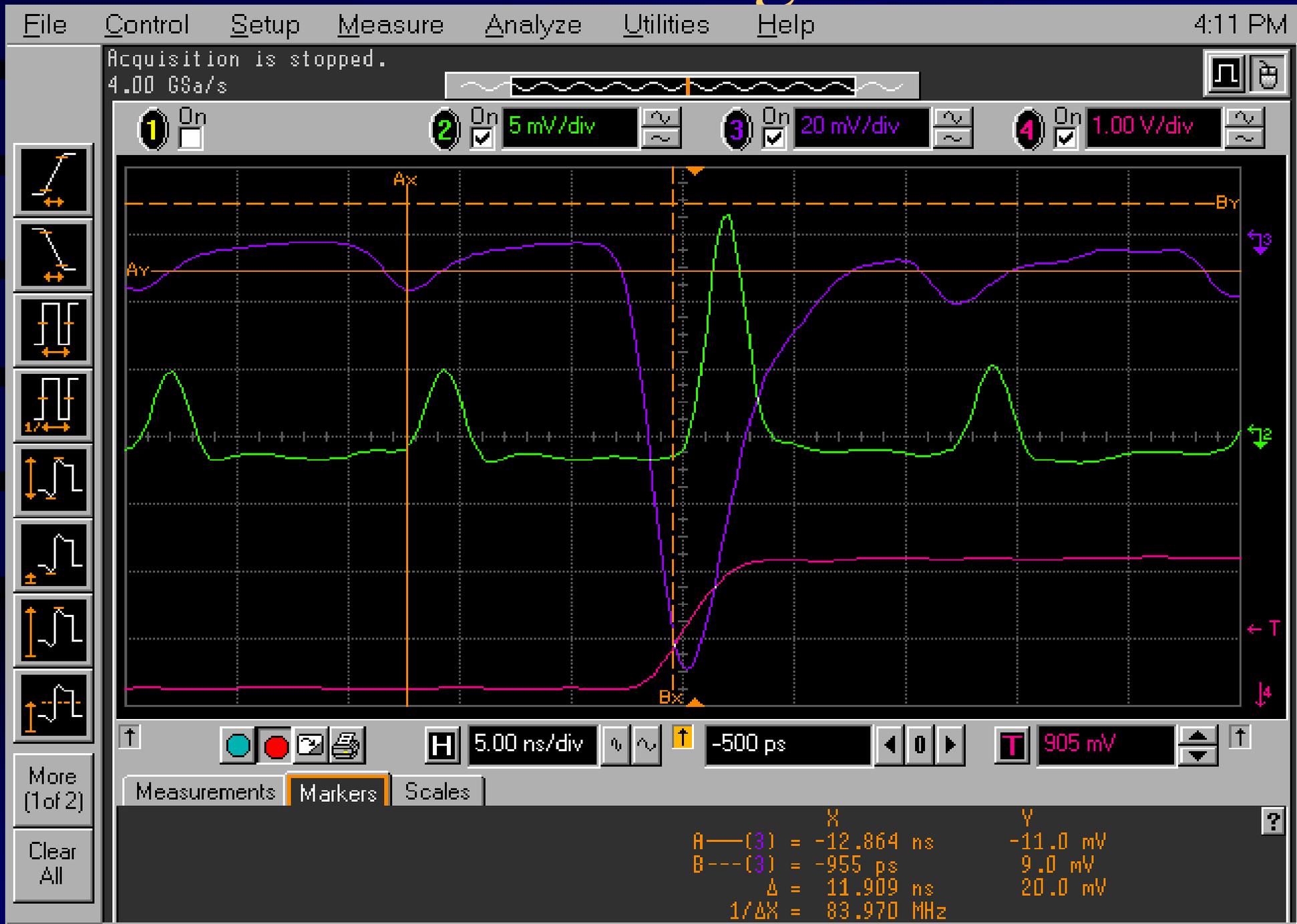
# Measurement of Synchronisation



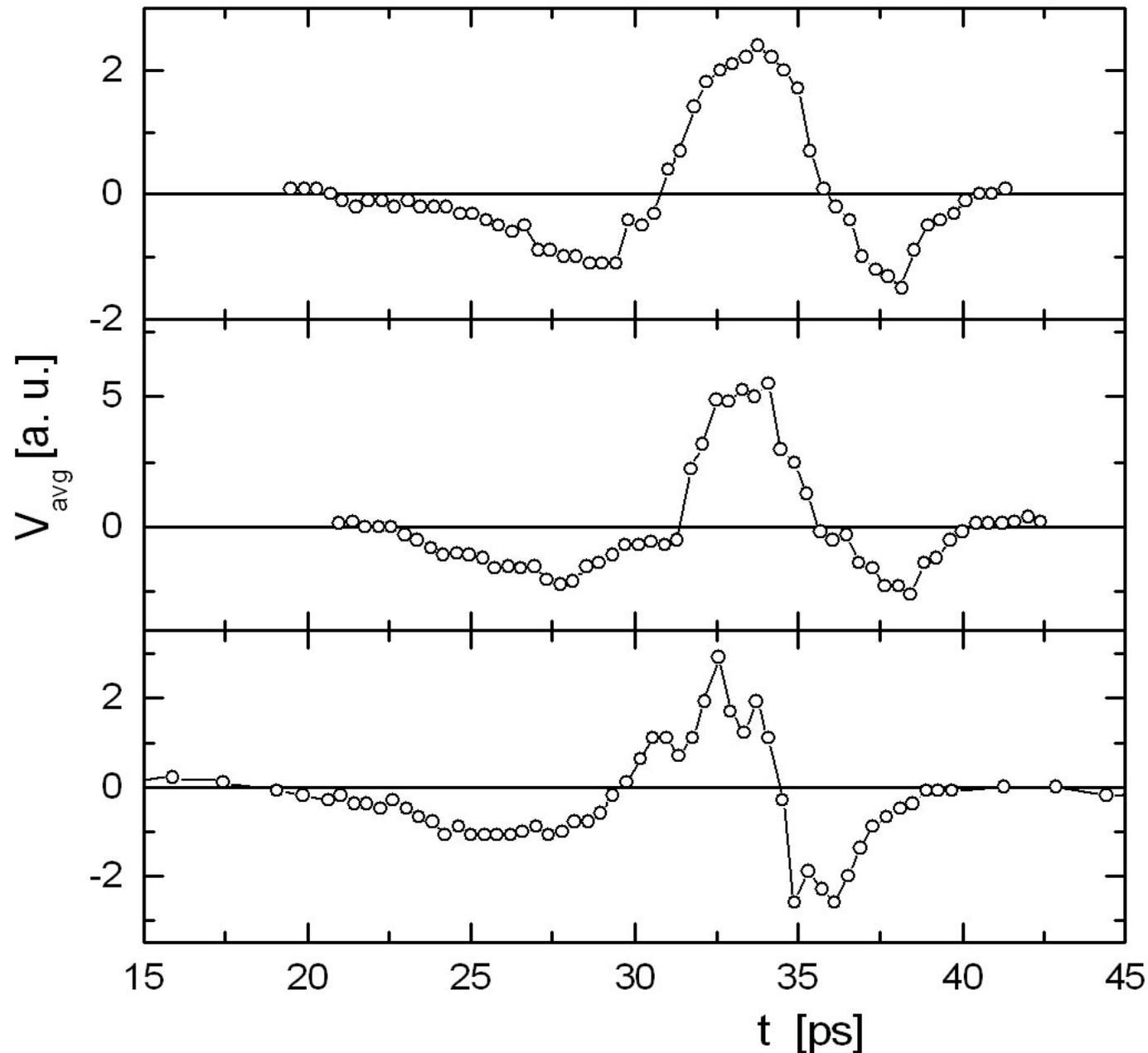
spectrum shows dominant peaks at 50Hz (1.87fs); 375Hz (1.7 fs) and 19 kHz (1.4fs)

Integration yields jitter of 65 fs

# First Signal



# EOS scans for different linac settings



- preliminary data !

- scanning resolution: 396fs

- jitter through gun: 1ps

- improvements will be made during next shutdown

- measurements in good agreement with expected bunch length of ~6ps FWHM

# summary and outlook

- synchronisation between laser and RF with resolution of 200fs accomplished
- first EOS-signal seen in February 2004 in good accordance with expected SLS bunch length
- further measurements with reduced jitter will be conducted soon

# contributions and thanks

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Thank you for your attention !!