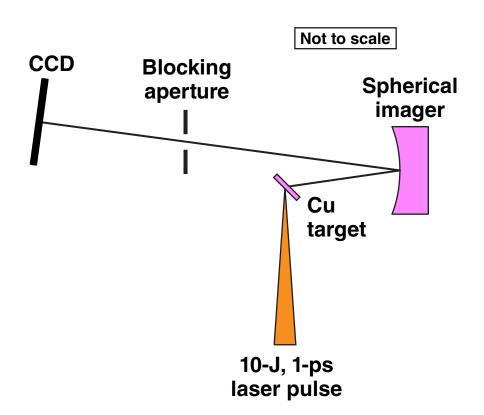
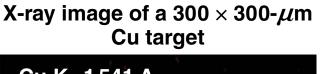
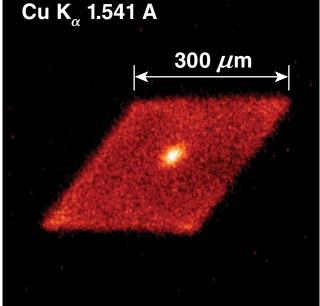
Development of a Spherical Crystal X-Ray Diagnostic for OMEGA EP



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- High-resolution, high-efficiency, 8-keV x-ray imaging has been demonstrated
- The key features are
 - operation wavelength: Cu K $_{\alpha}$ 0.154-nm line emission
 - high spatial resolution: ~6 μ m (aberration limited)
 - large light-collection area ~f/10
- The imager was tested on a 1-ps/10-J laser system

The imager will be fielded on OMEGA EP in 2011.

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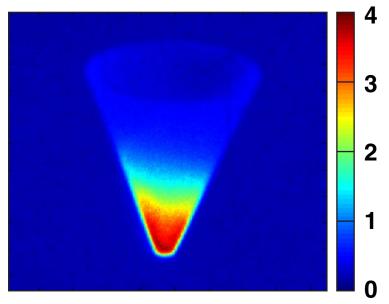
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Motivation

A spherical crystal imager will complement the existing x-ray diagnostics on OMEGA EP

- A broad range of applications include
 - self-emission and backlight imaging of fusion targets
 - fast-electron dynamics in fast-ignition experiments
 - hydrodynamic instabilities
- The diagnostic was requested by OMEGA users
- The key features are
 - − high spatial resolution \leq 10 μ m
 - large light collection area ~ f/10

8-keV x-ray image of Cu cone obtained with a UCSD crystal imager



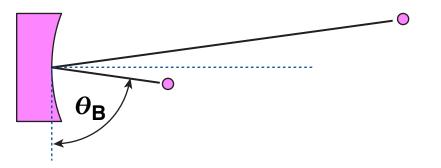
Courtesy of H. Sawada, F. N. Beg, UCSD

The crystal parameters for Cu K_{α} imaging have been specified



• The emission wavelength, the crystal constant, and the Bragg angle are interrelated

 $n\lambda = 2d \sin(\theta_B)$

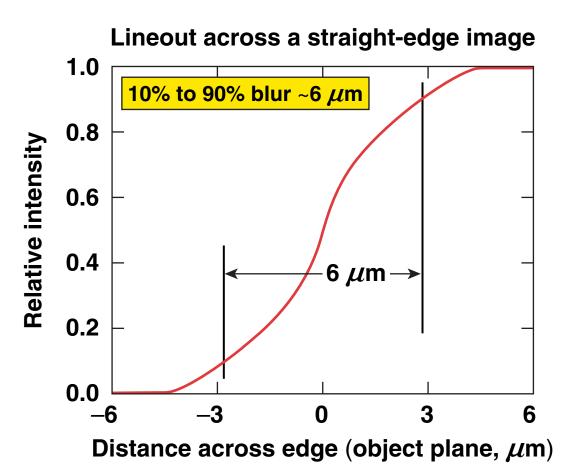


- Spherically shaped crystal acts like a spherical mirror
- Near-normal incidence provides for low aberrations and a narrow bandwidth

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Ray tracing indicates that the aberration-limited resolution is ~6 μm

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- Coma and astigmatism dominate the aberration
- The resolution can be further improved by reducing the aperture

The imager has been fabricated by Photonics Product Group, Inc.

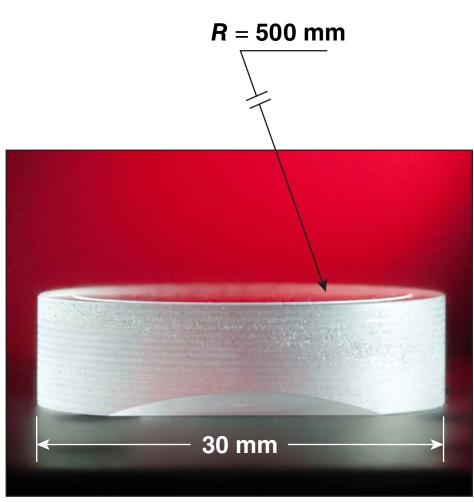
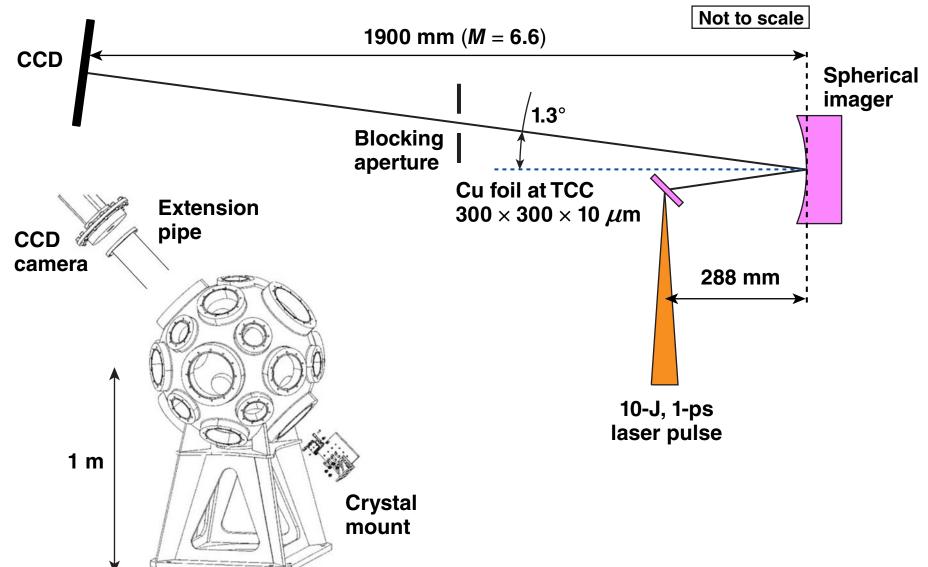


Photo by E. Kowaluk

• Quartz crystal is 100 μ m thick and 25 mm in diameter

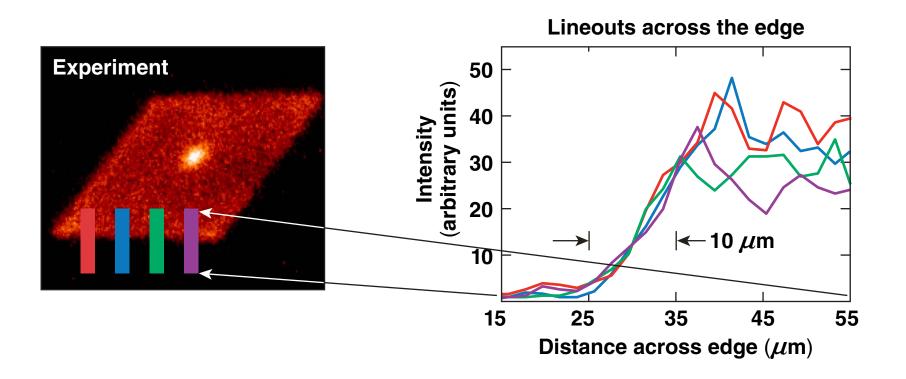
- The crystal constant
 2d = 0.308 nm, 21<u>3</u>1 cut
- The crystal is optically bound to a glass substrate that is spherically shaped to *R* = 500 mm

The crystal imager was tested on the MTW facility



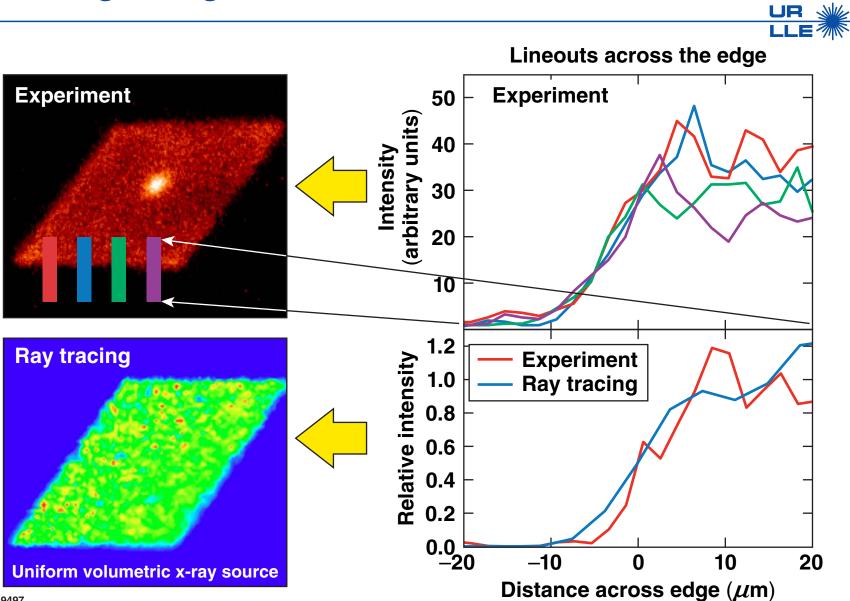
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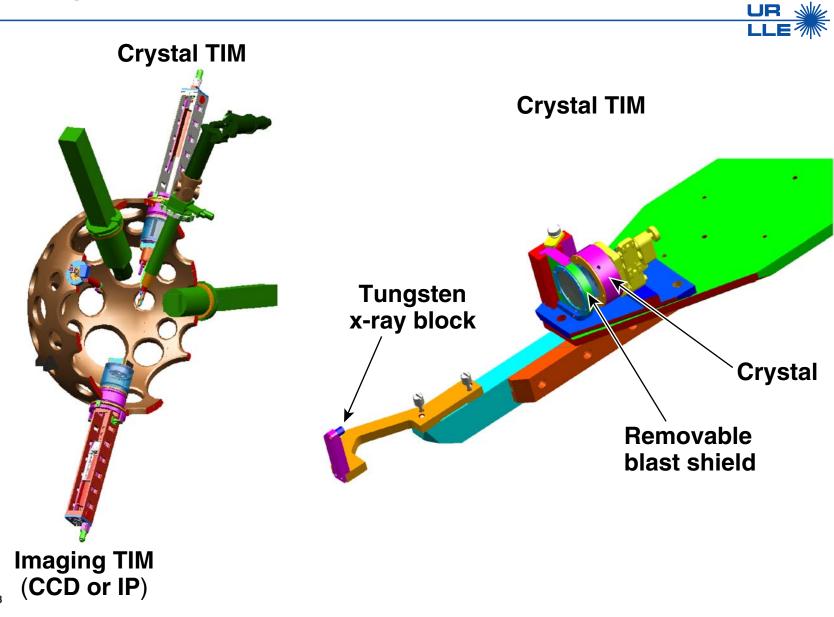


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- The ~10- μ m edge blur appears to be higher than the 6- μ m aberration blur
- A finite foil thickness (10 μ m) and 45° tilt increase the apparent blur

Ray tracing that includes a finite target thickness and tilt shows good agreement with the measurements



A TIM-based delivery and alignment platform is being developed for OMEGA EP



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