# Percival: a Soft X-Ray Imager for Synchrotron Rings and Free Electron Lasers

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# **Percival goal**



development of a 2D pixelated detector for low-energy-X-rays

- primary range 250eV to 1keV (extended: below 100eV~2keV)
- noise low enough to allow 1-photon discrimination (~15e)
- high dynamic range to be compatible with FEL/high flux SR (several Me)
- fast enough to allow 1-shot experiments (120~300 frame/s)
- good detection efficiency

(back-side illumination, thin entrance window)

- many (multi-M) pixels
- with no gaps of blind areas
- reasonably small pixels (27um)









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# DAQ, IT, data structure

"because a detector does not end at its ethernet port"





### The PERCIVAL system core



Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor TowerJazz 0.18um CMOS technology, over high-resistance thick epi

digital stream. (120-300 frame/s)

Gain sel & ADC (12+1+2)

(Double) Sampling

imaging area

~ 2Mpixel, 4x4 cm<sup>2</sup>

partially-pinned photodiode

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# first images acquired (FSI)









# **Back-Side Illuminated system**







### **Back-Side processing**



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#### **The PERCIVAL core**







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### Lateral-Overflow & dynamic range



dyn. range: 3.5Me ~ 50k photons @ 250eV



#### **Lateral-Overflow**



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#### Noise





### **1-shot operation**





#### **Low-Energy photon detection**









### **Low-Energy photon detection**



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# **Charge Collection Efficiency**





#### P.E.R.C.I.V.A.L.

(Pixellated Energy-Resolving Cmos Imager Versatile And Large)

#### tests on prototypes

- ✓ Lateral Overflow
- ✓ low noise (~15e)
- ✓ high dynamic range (3.5Me 50k ph.)
- ✓ up to 120 frame/s
  - ✓ compatible most FEL
- ✓ tested 92eV-2KeV

#### P2M

- 2M pixels (27um pixel pitch)
- ~4×4cm<sup>2</sup> sensible area
- no gaps, 2-side buttable
- prelim electrical and optical tests
- tested up to 100frame/s (expected: ~300 frame/s)
- FSI under test
- BSI post-process in progress



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