



# The Evolution of AGIPD

## From SPB and MID to SFX and HiBEF

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Single molecule imaging  
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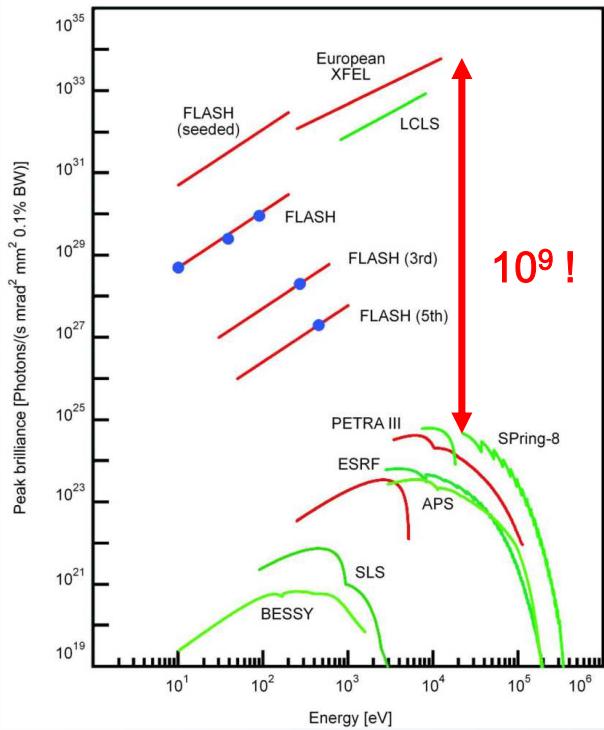
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# European XFEL

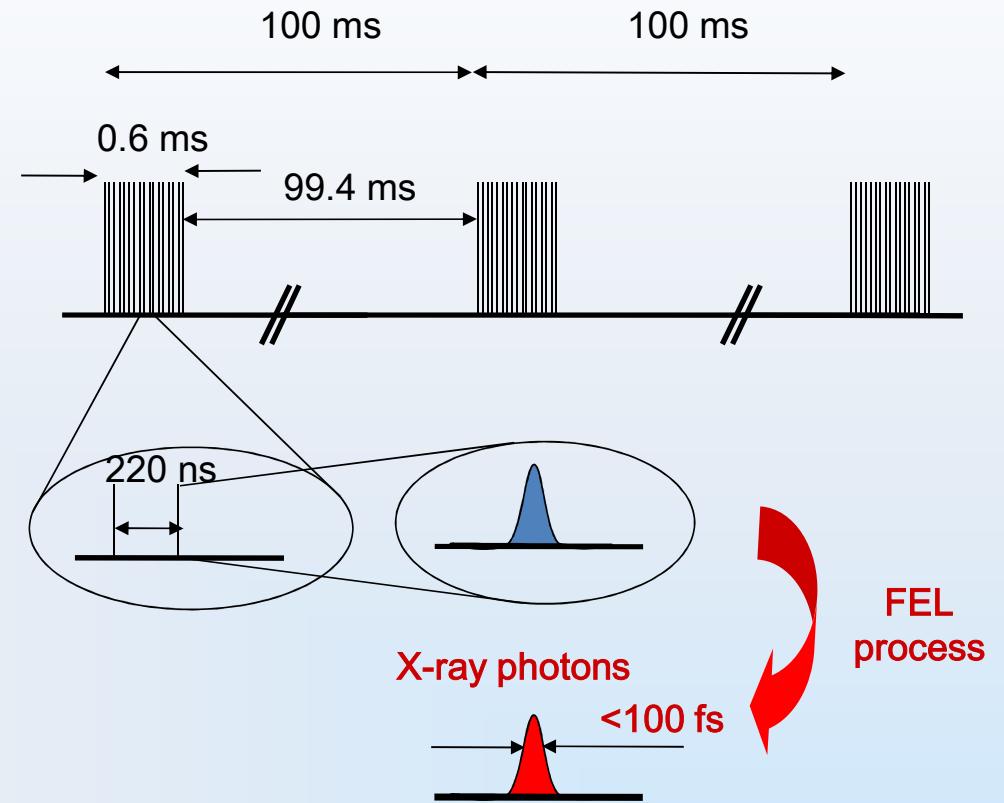
Inaugurated September 1<sup>st</sup> 2017



# European XFEL properties



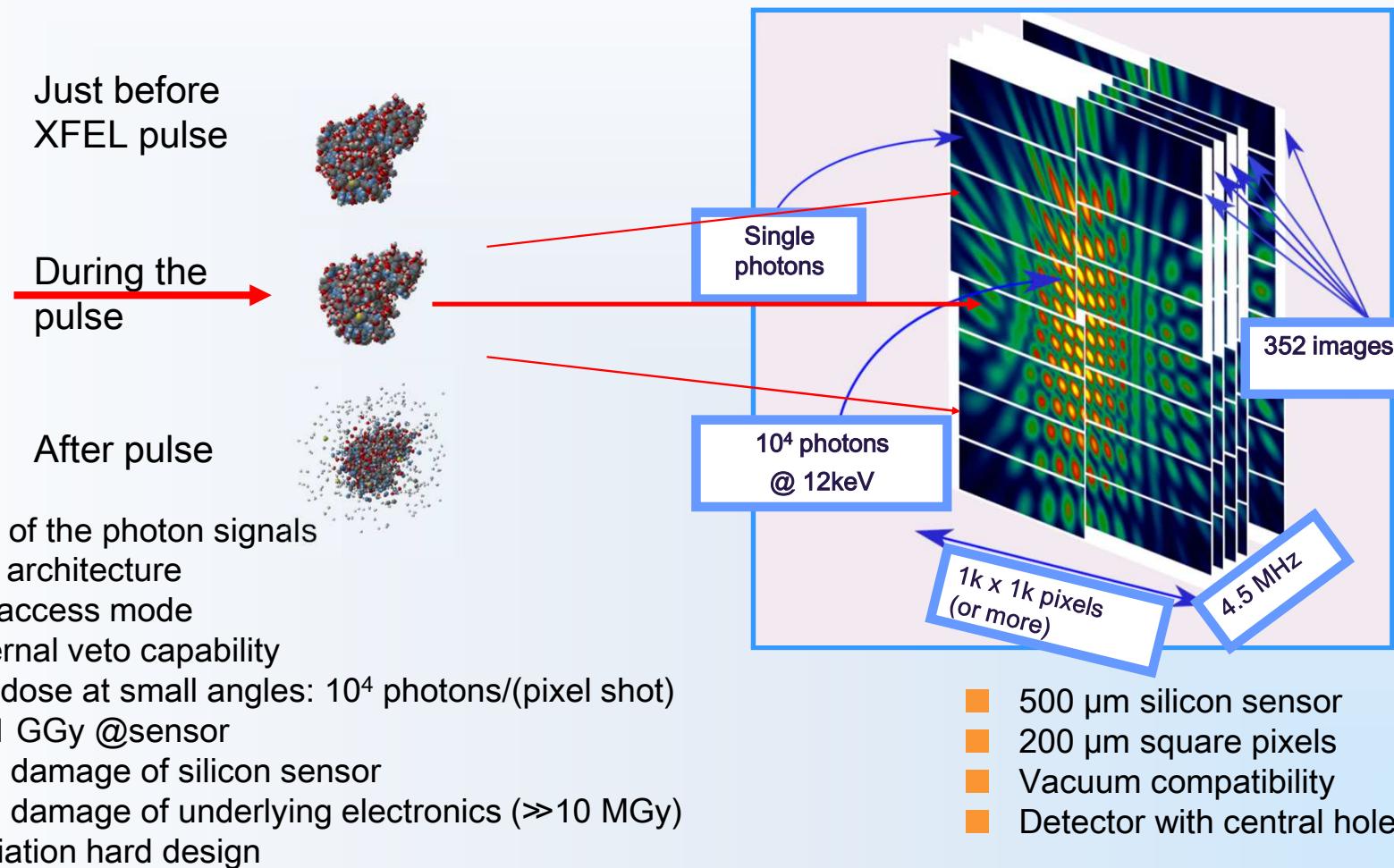
$E_\gamma = 250\text{eV} \dots 12\text{keV}$   
av. Rate:  
■ 27kHz XFEL  
■ 120Hz LCLS  
■ 60Hz SCSS



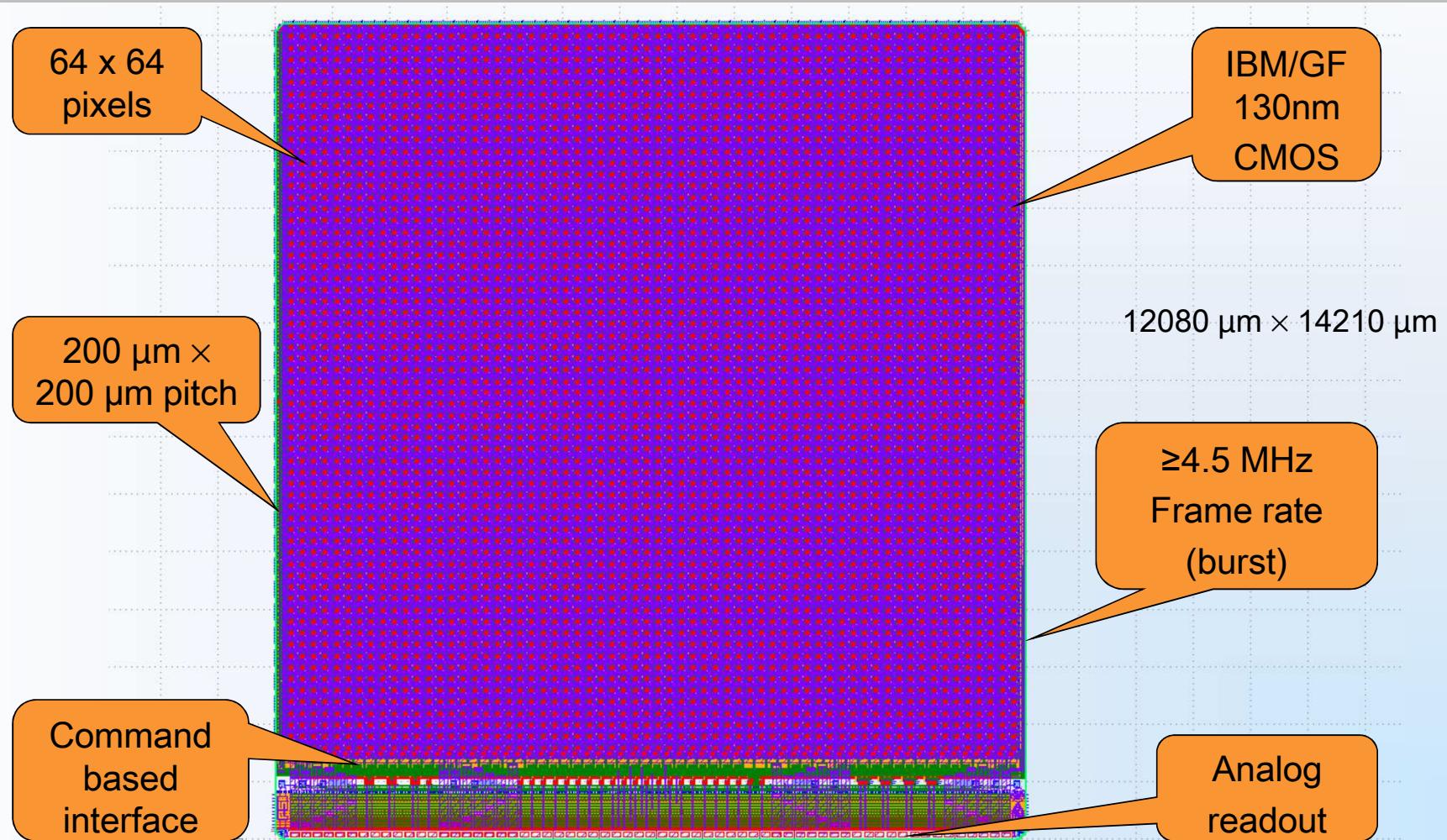
## Detectors:

- LPD (500μm x 500μm) - 1Mpix installed
- AGIPD (200μm x 200μm) - 1Mpix installed, 1Mpix commissioning, 4Mpix & 1Mpix under construction
- DSSC (230μm x 200μm) - 1Mpix under construction

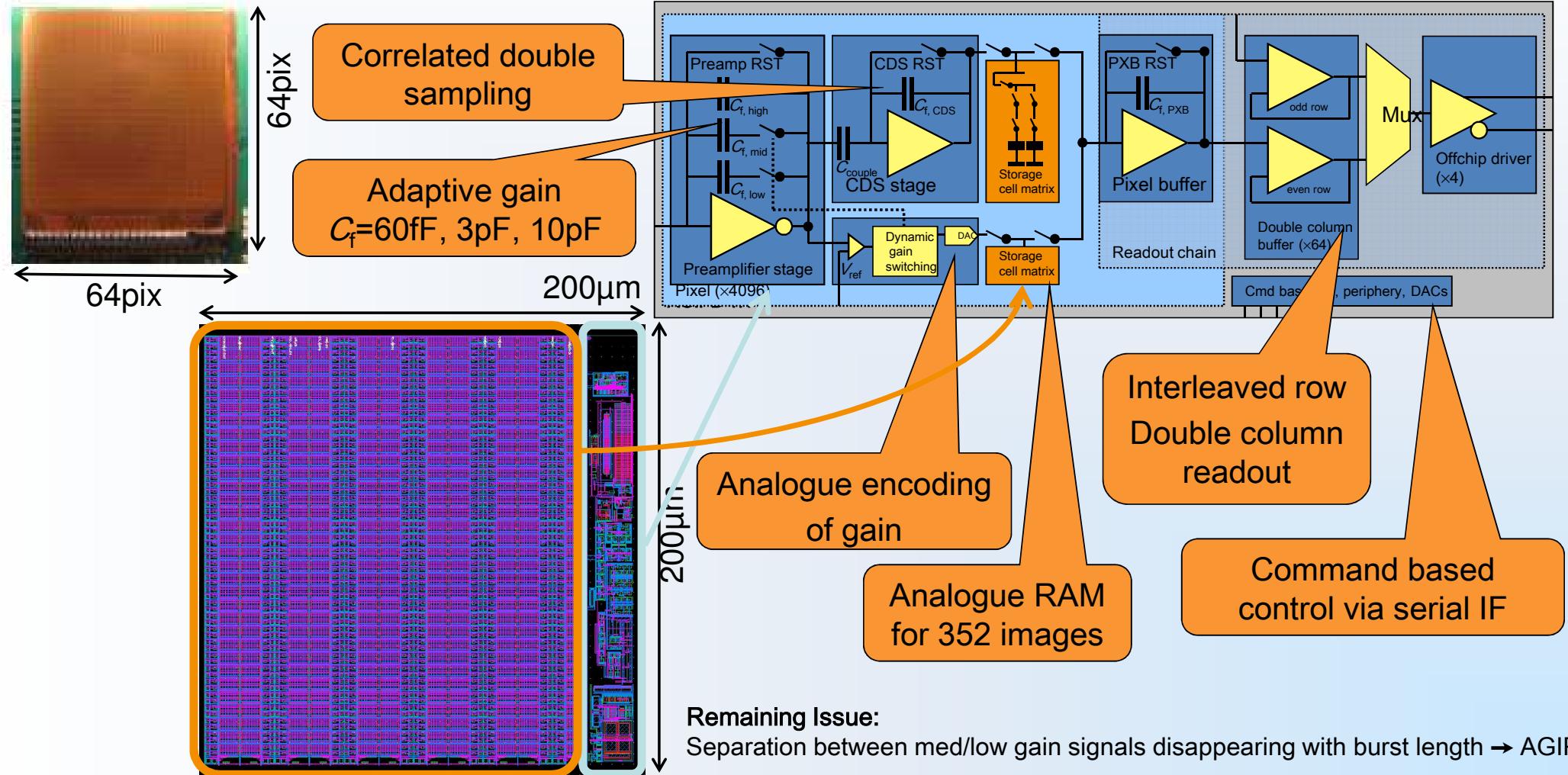
# AGIPD Scientific Case: Single Molecule Imaging & SFX



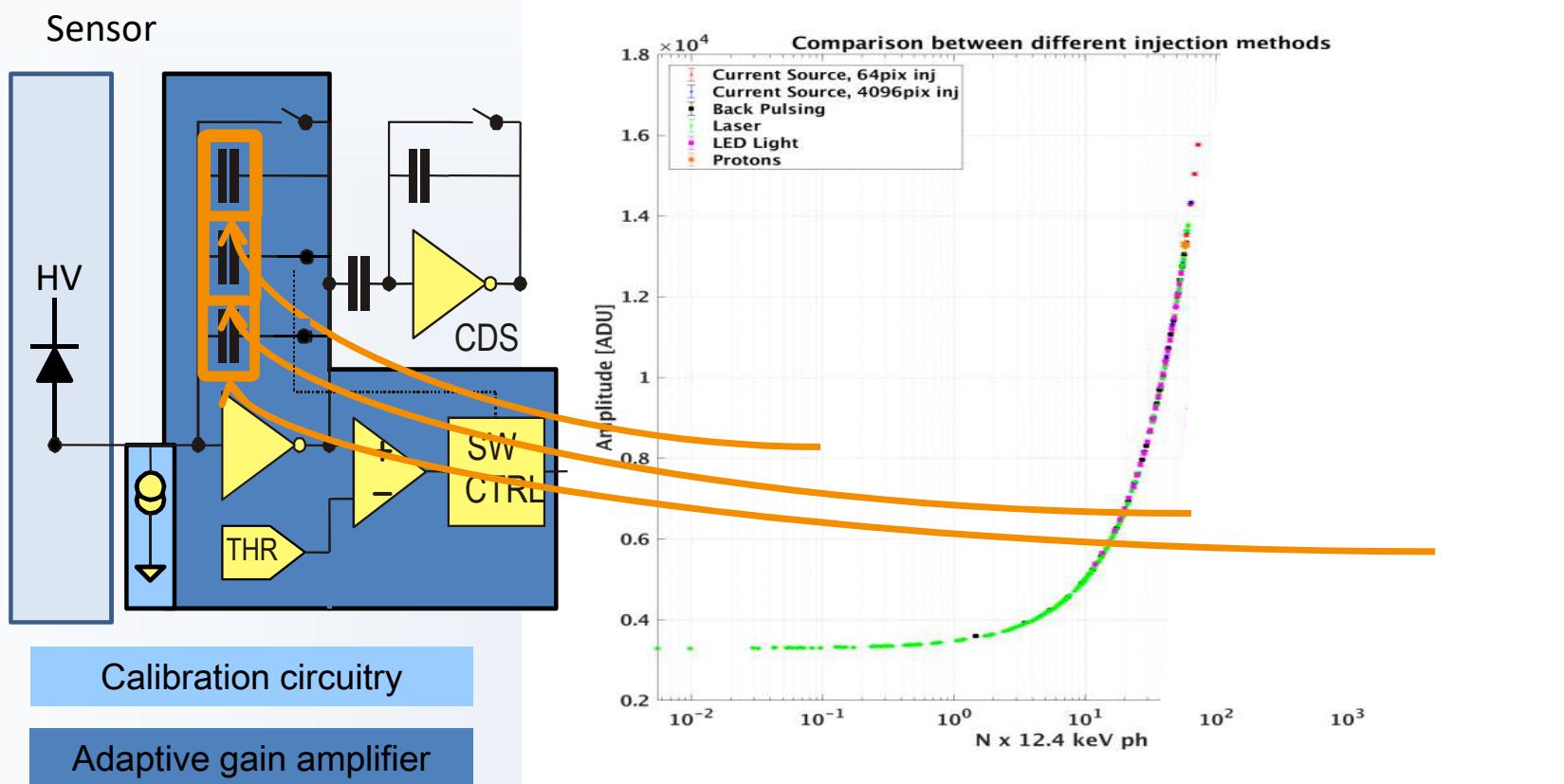
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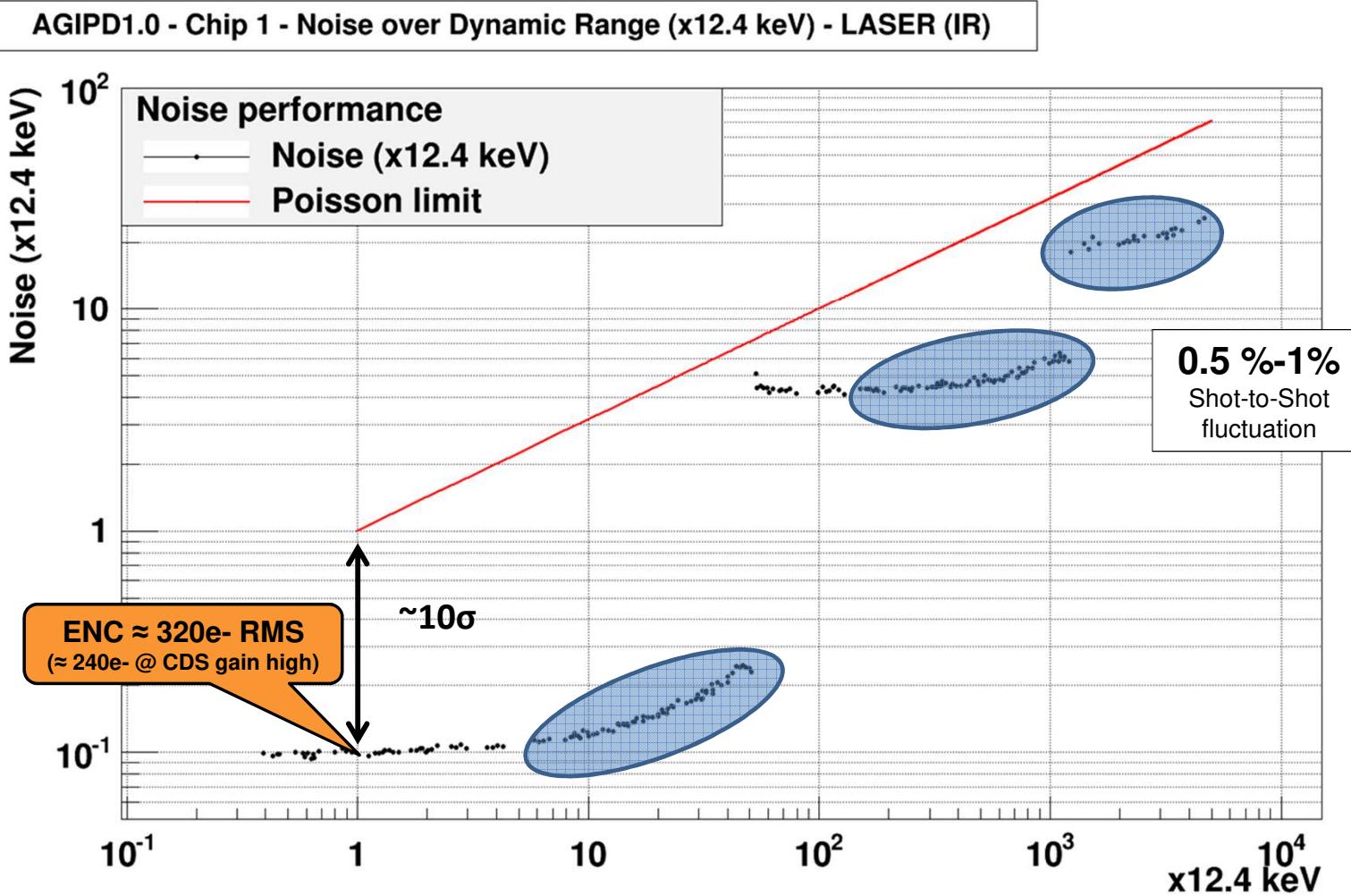
# Adaptive gain switching



Line spectra covering  
all 3 gains with (1MeV)  
Protons@LABEC

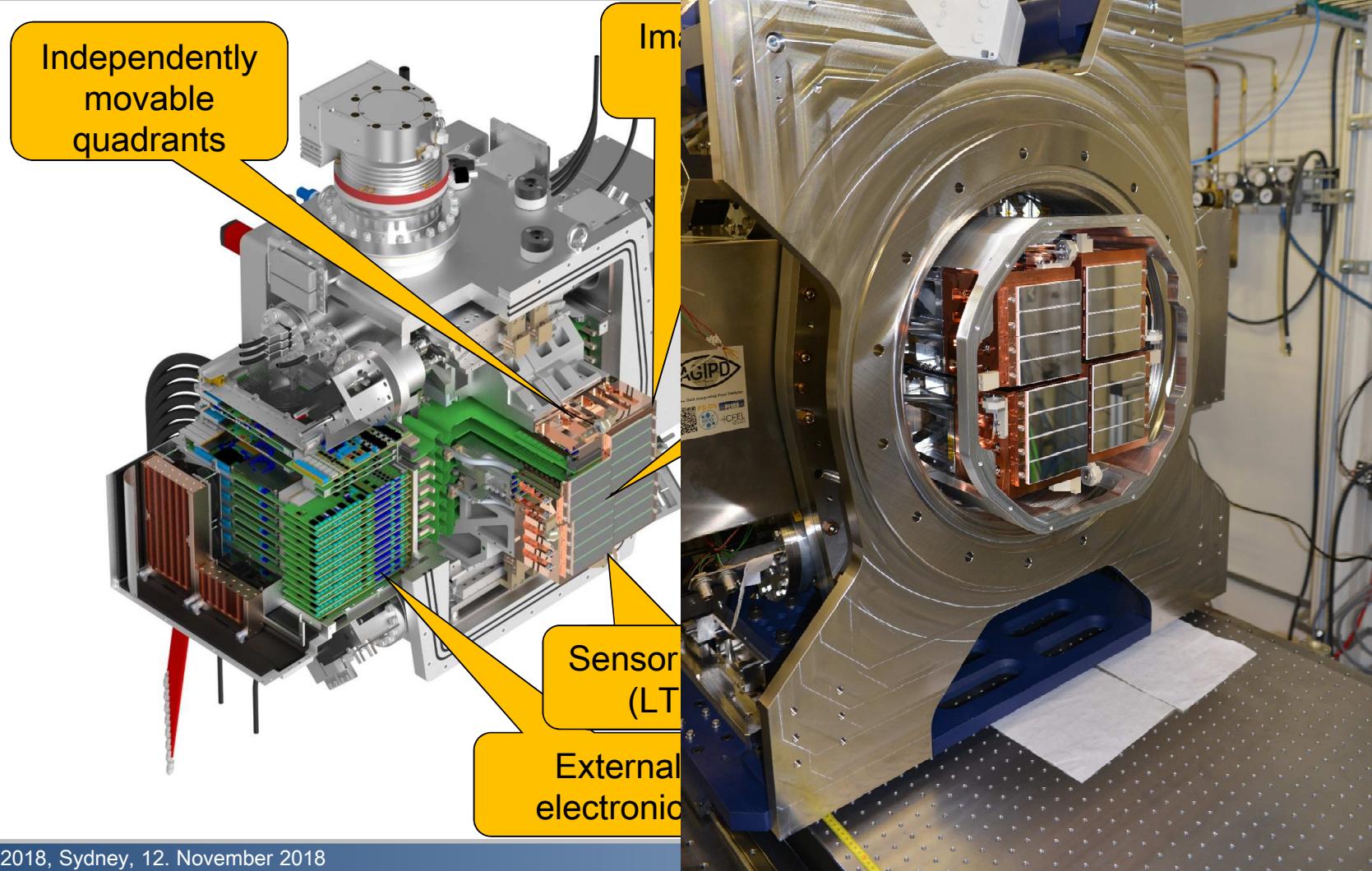
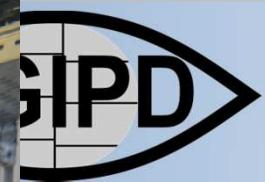
High gain: 50-80 Photons with single photon sensitivity.  
Low gain: 5000 photons with linear gain  
+5000 photons with 1% nonlinearity.

# AGIPD Detector noise



# AGIPD 1Mpix Systems

(SPB and MID Beamlines at European XFEL)

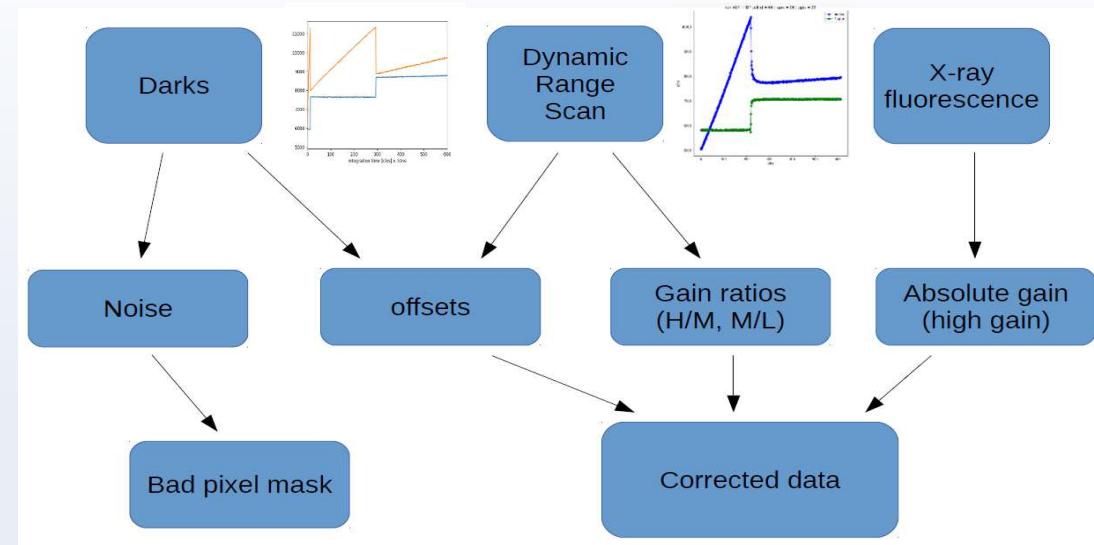
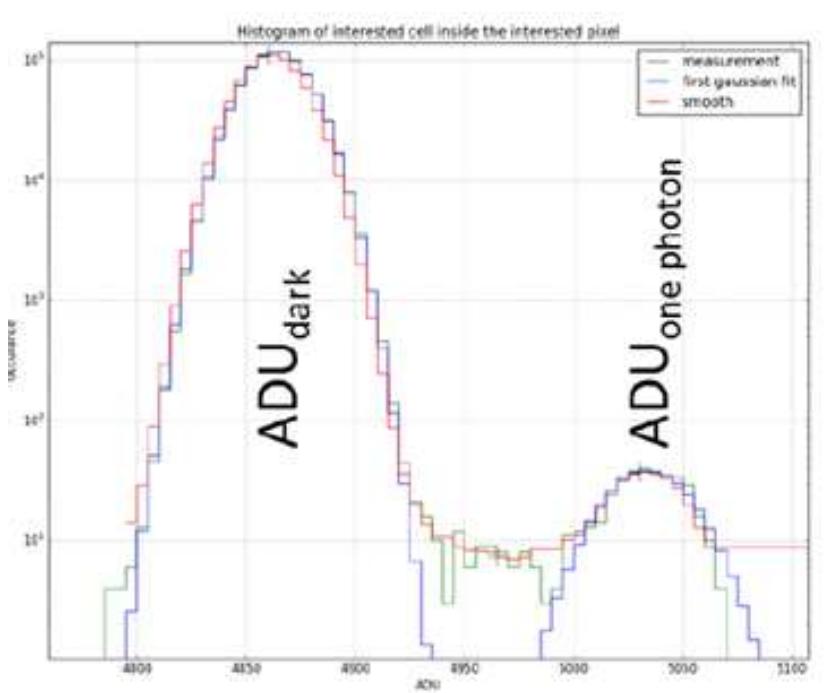


# AGIPD 1Mpix Systems: Calibration



Feed calibration frame work with

- Pulsed capacitor dynamic range scans for all memory cells used
- Cu-K $\alpha$  data at XFEL
- Dark data for High and Medium gain level



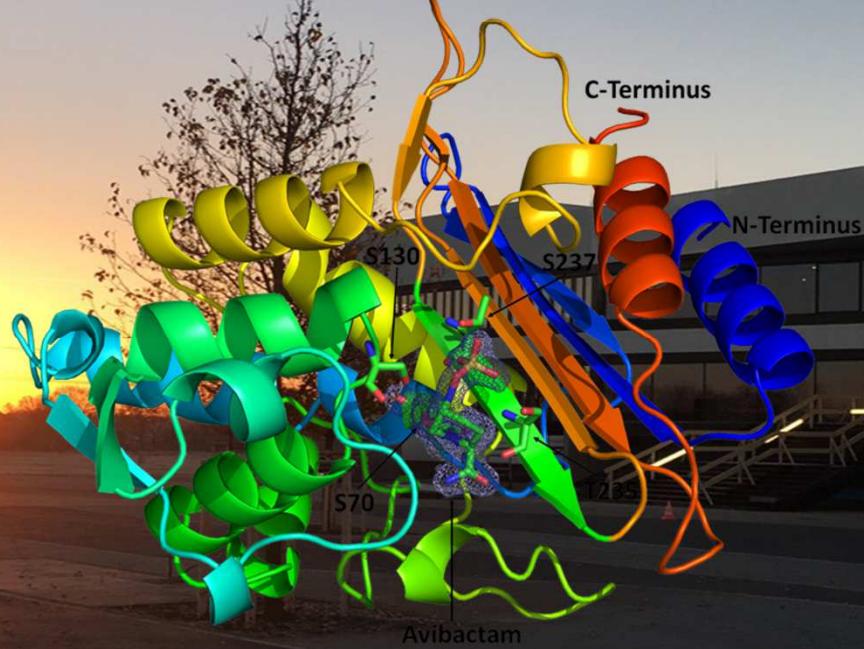
Calibration framework follows a modular concept and allows removing, adding and exchanging building blocks

- Huge number of fits!
- 65,536 pixels
- 352 memory cells
- 3 Gains + 3 Offsets
- $\approx 138,000,000$  fits / module
- 16 Modules  $\rightarrow 2.2 \times 10^9$  constants
- computation time, fit quality, non-constant fit ranges

Also on this Topic:

- J. Becker: N-24-01  
How to determine 2.8 billion calibration constants for a 1 MPix AGIPD camera at the European XFEL
- D. Mezza: N-22-382  
Calibration concept for the AGIPD detector

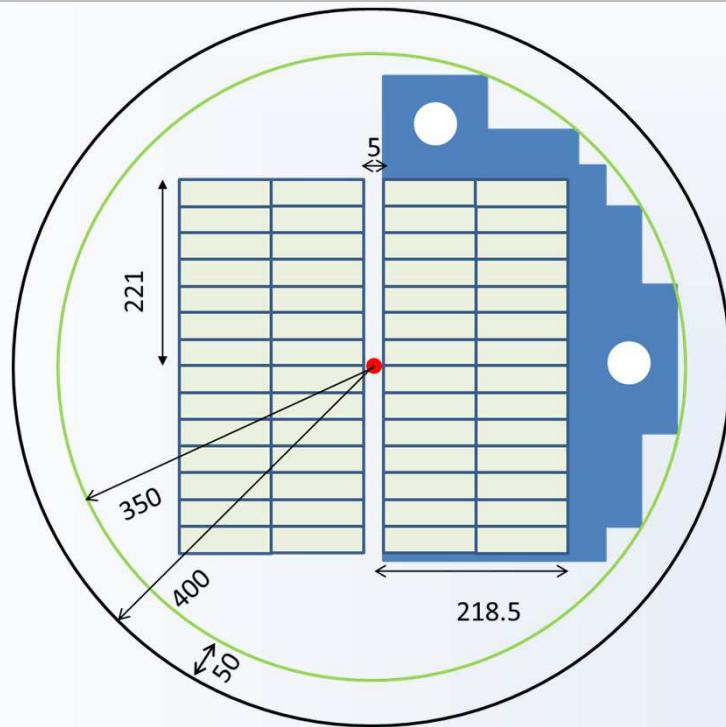
Resolved structure of  
CTX-M-14  $\beta$ -lactamase



XFEL-2012 collaboration

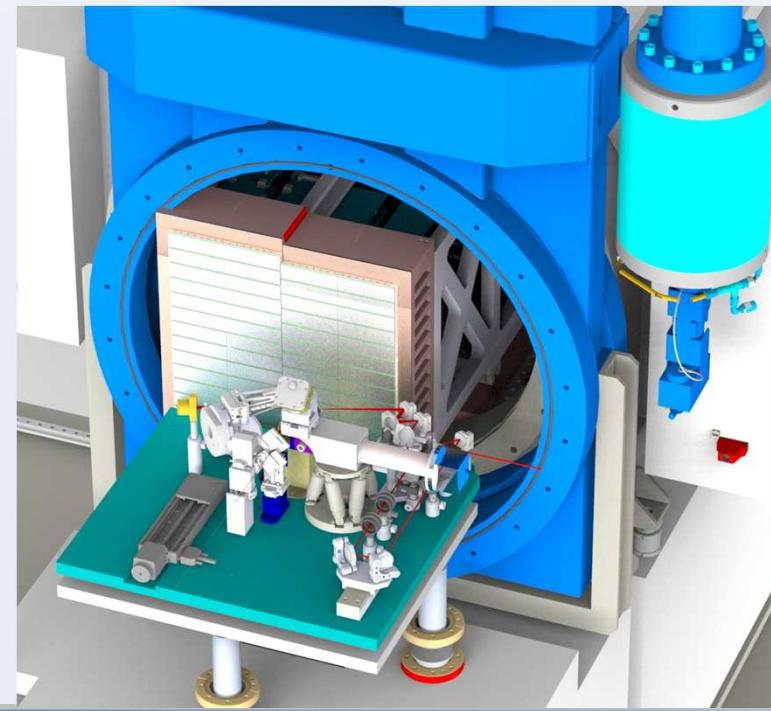
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# AGIPD 4M Detector for SFX

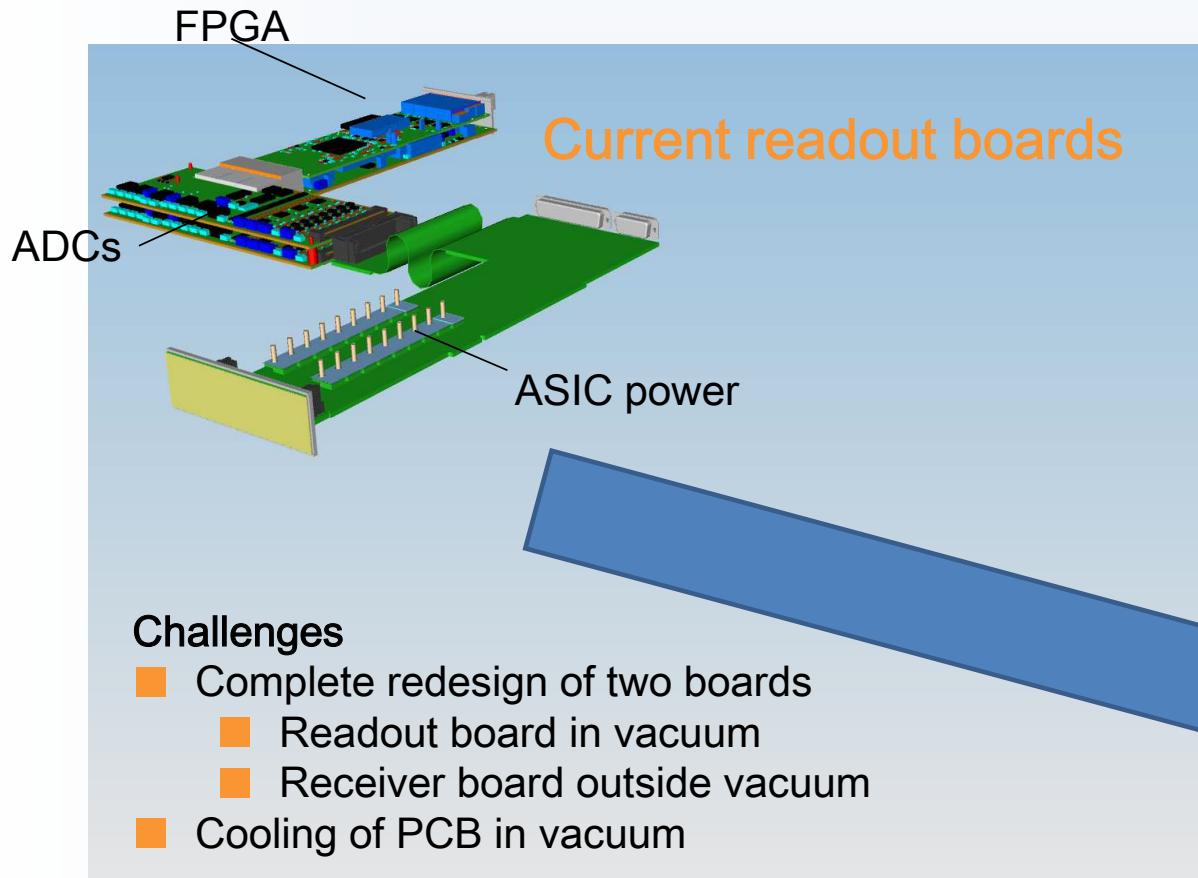


- In-vacuum z-motion
  - through gate valve
    - inner diameter 800mm
  - into sample chamber
  - travel range of 400 mm

- 4 x 14 Front-End-Modules, arranged in
  - 2 x 14 Double-Modules
- Two halves
  - 2 x 14 FEMs each
  - Independent in-vacuum x-motion

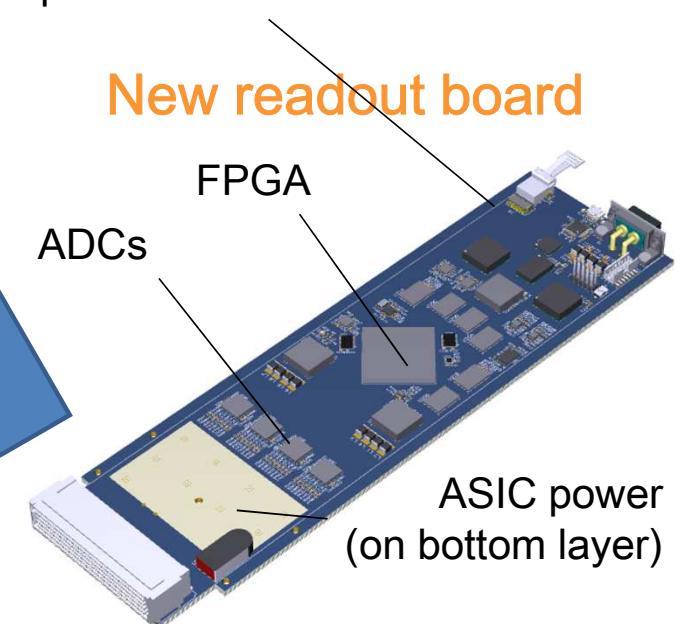


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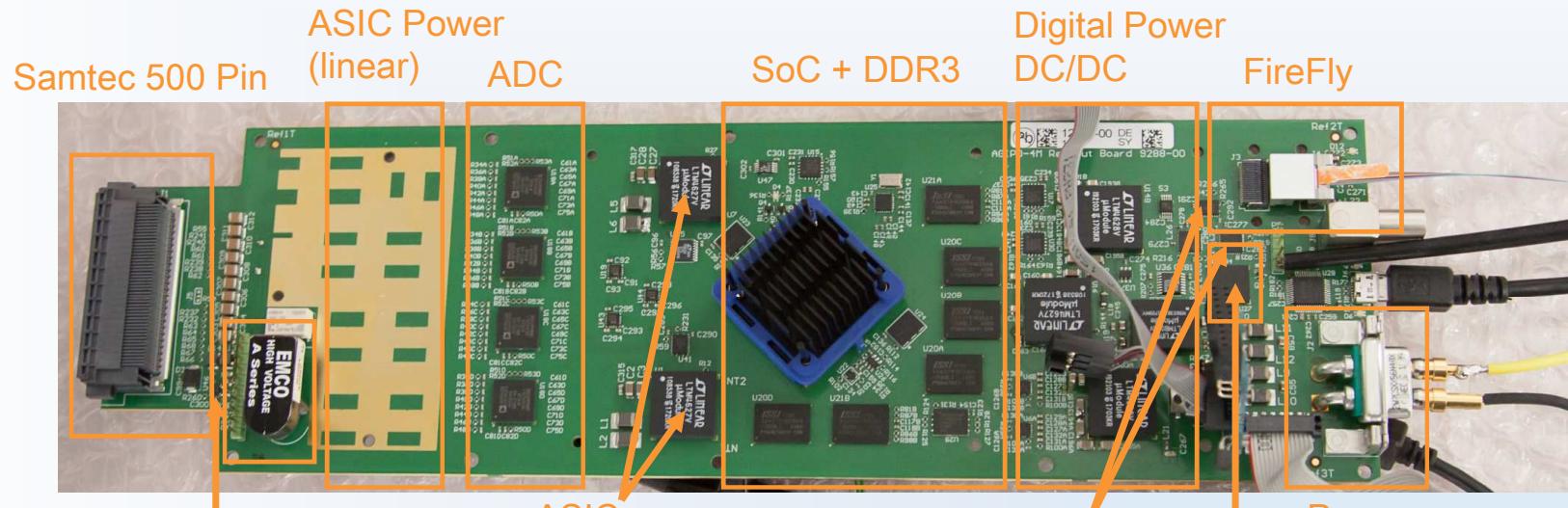


## Advantages

- Short analogue signal path
- Local DC/DC → less power cables
- Control and DAQ completely based on optical data transmission



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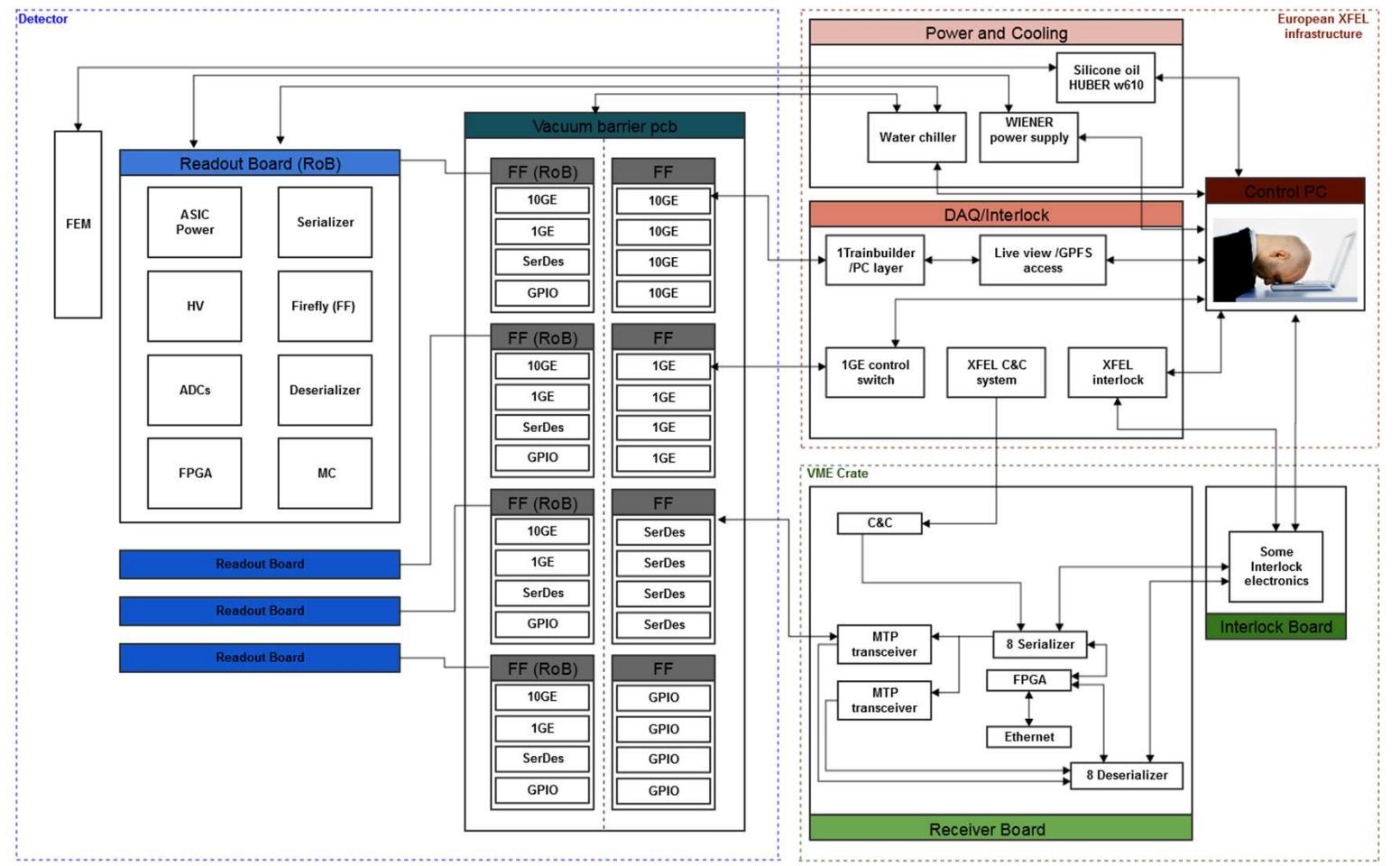


Mezzanine Connector  
(for backside pulsing)

- Series production started
- Successful commissioning without major issues

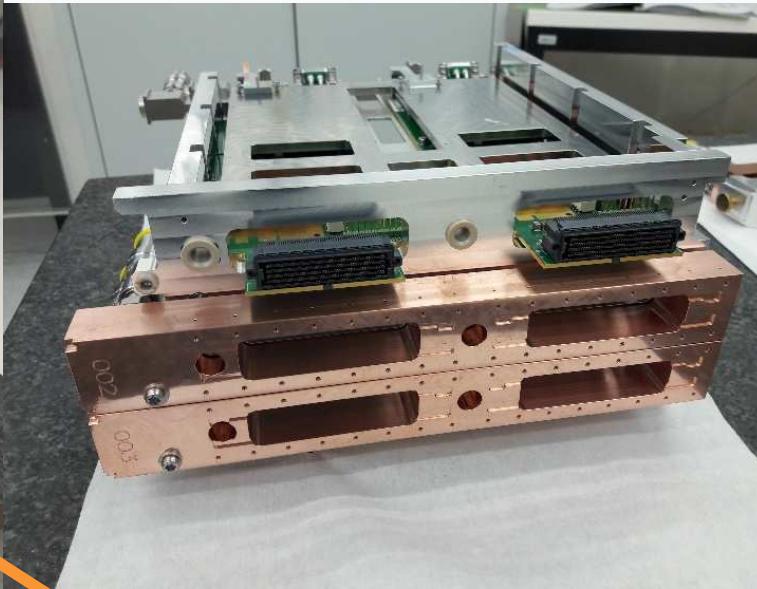
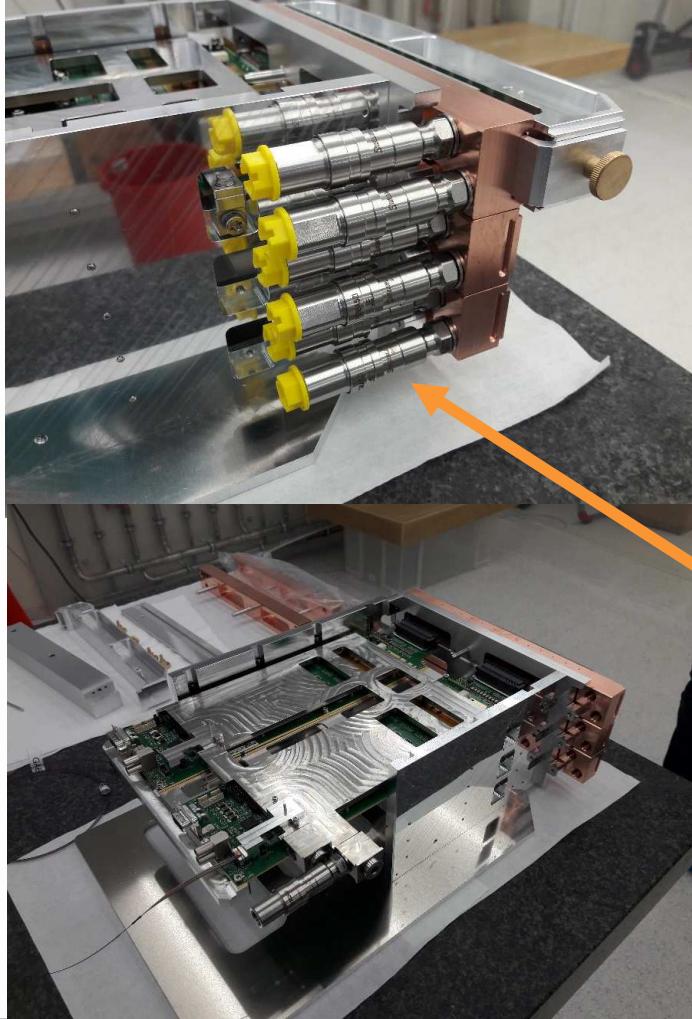


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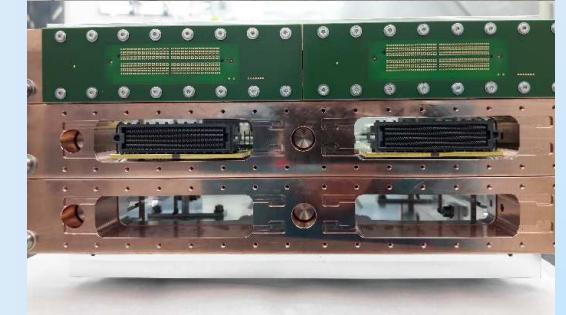
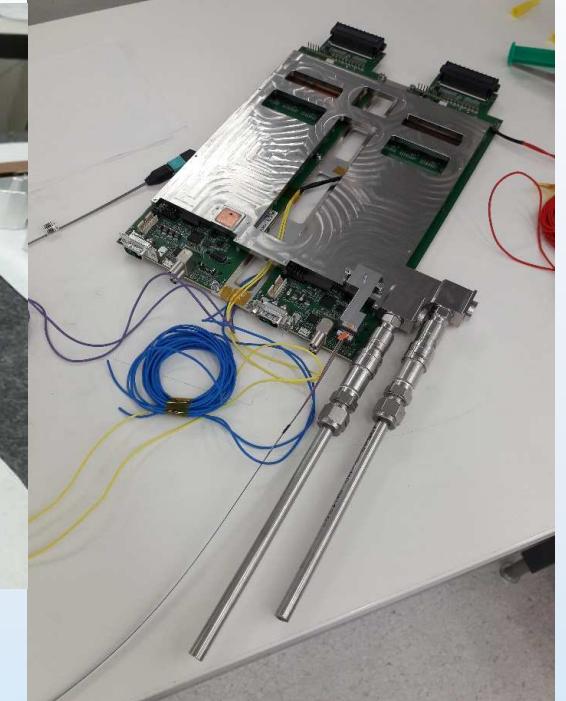


# AGIPD 4M Detector for SFX

## In-Vacuum Cooling



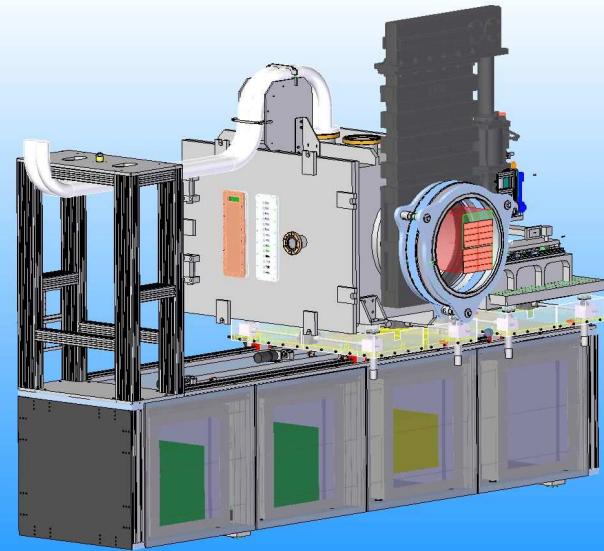
- Liquid Cooling of**
- **Modules**
    - Cooling channels in Copper frame
    - Coolant: Silicone oil
  - **Readout boards**
    - Coolant: Water
  - **In-Vacuum connectors**





# AGIPD 1M Detector for HiBEF

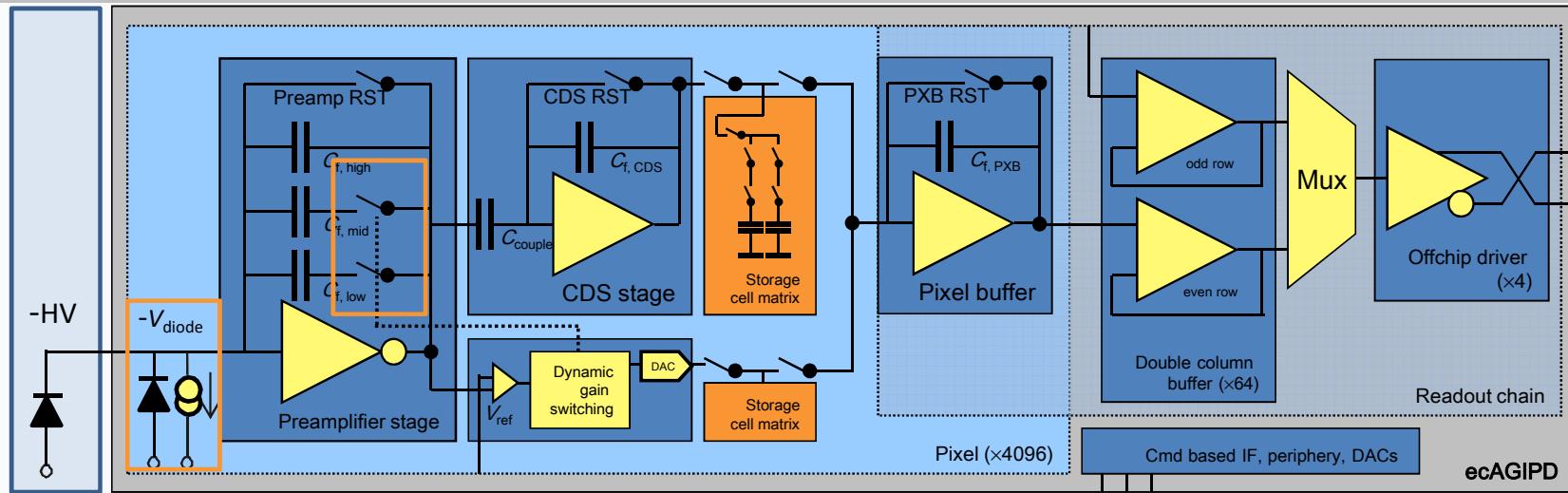
## @HED Endstation of European XFEL



The HiBEF (Helmholtz International Beamline for Extreme Fields) experiment @ EuXFEL needs a 1Mpix detector for  $E_{ph} \geq 25\text{keV}$

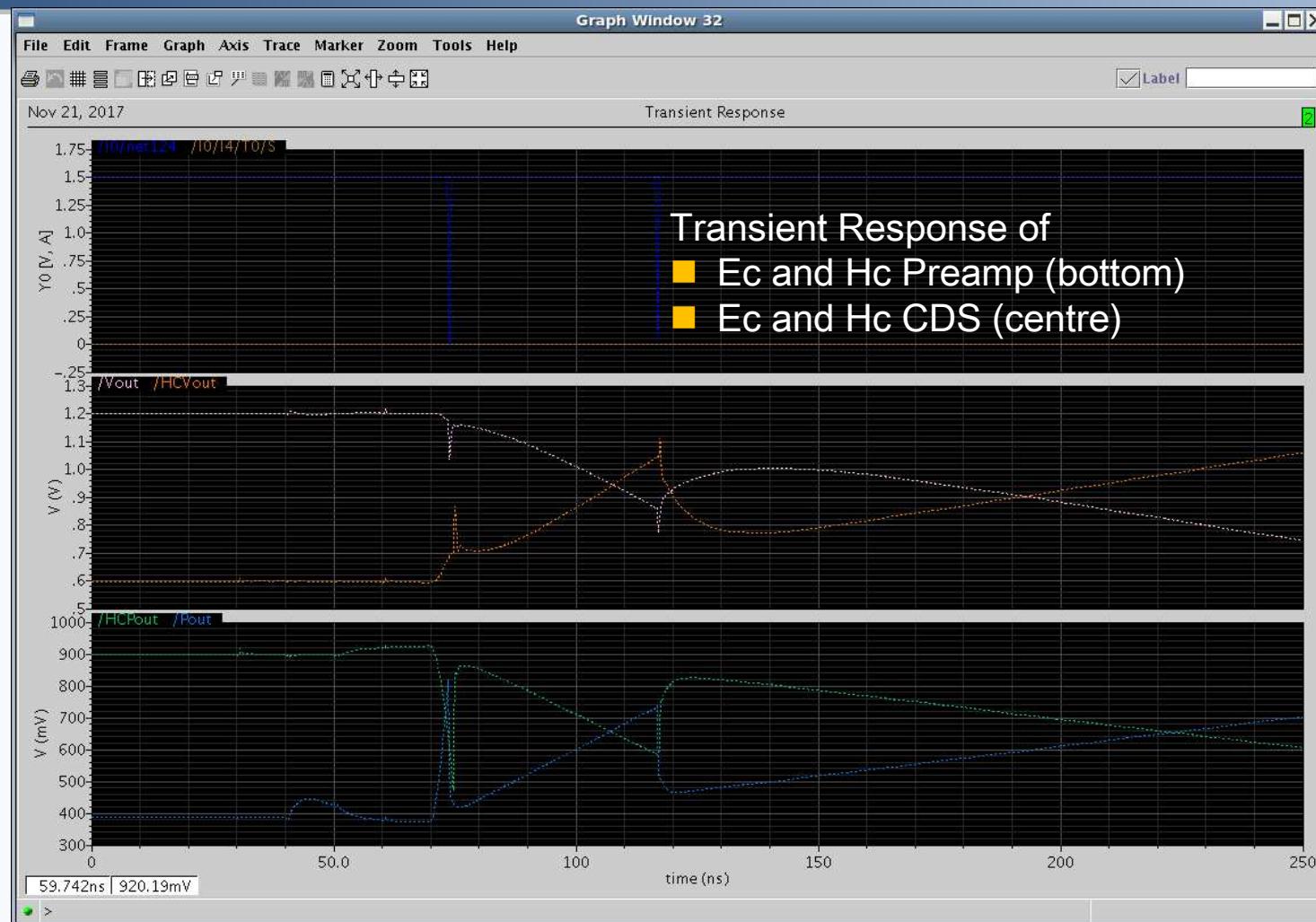
- The existing AGIPD detector collects positive charges (holes)
  - Easier to realise radiation hard sensors
  - Slower – less demanding to handle large charges (circuit wise)
- AGIPD is not suitable for experiments with photons above  $\sim 15\text{keV}$ 
  - The Silicon sensor gets inefficient  $\sim 15\text{keV}$
- High-Z Semiconductors, esp. GaAs promise efficient sensors for  $E_{ph} \geq 25\text{keV}$
- Composite (III/V) Semiconductors feature relatively short charge carrier lifetimes
- Collection of Electrons (i.e. the fast component) is required



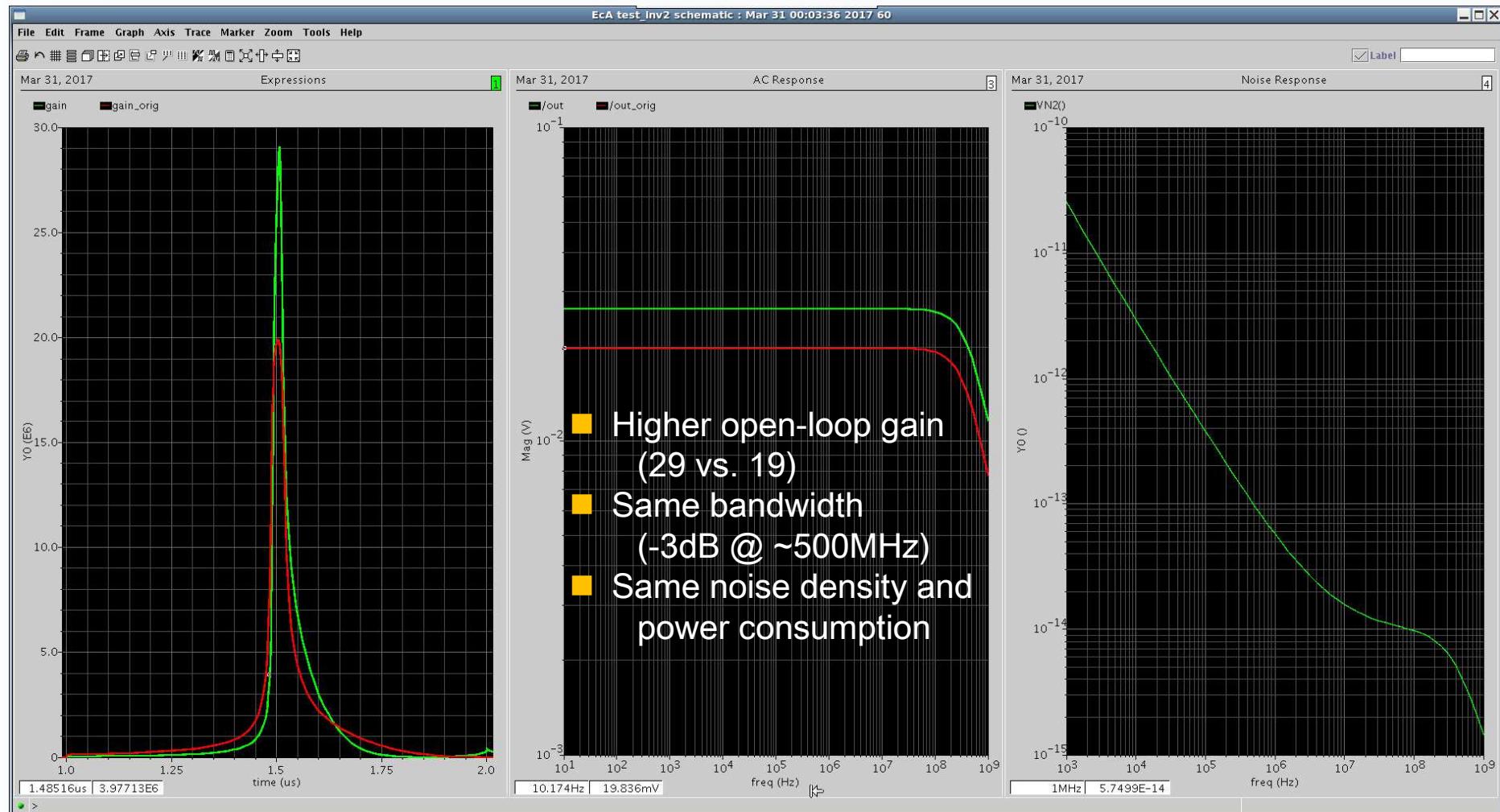


- Triple-well structure at negative ( $V_{diode} \sim -1V$ ) voltage containing
  - Input protection diode
  - Current source for test stimulus = current mirror driven by existing source
  - Feedback switches
- Modified Preamp
  - New baseline at  $\sim 400\text{mV}$
- Discriminator of opposite polarity
- Changed gain encoding
  - Hi  $\leftrightarrow$  Lo
- Swapped output pads

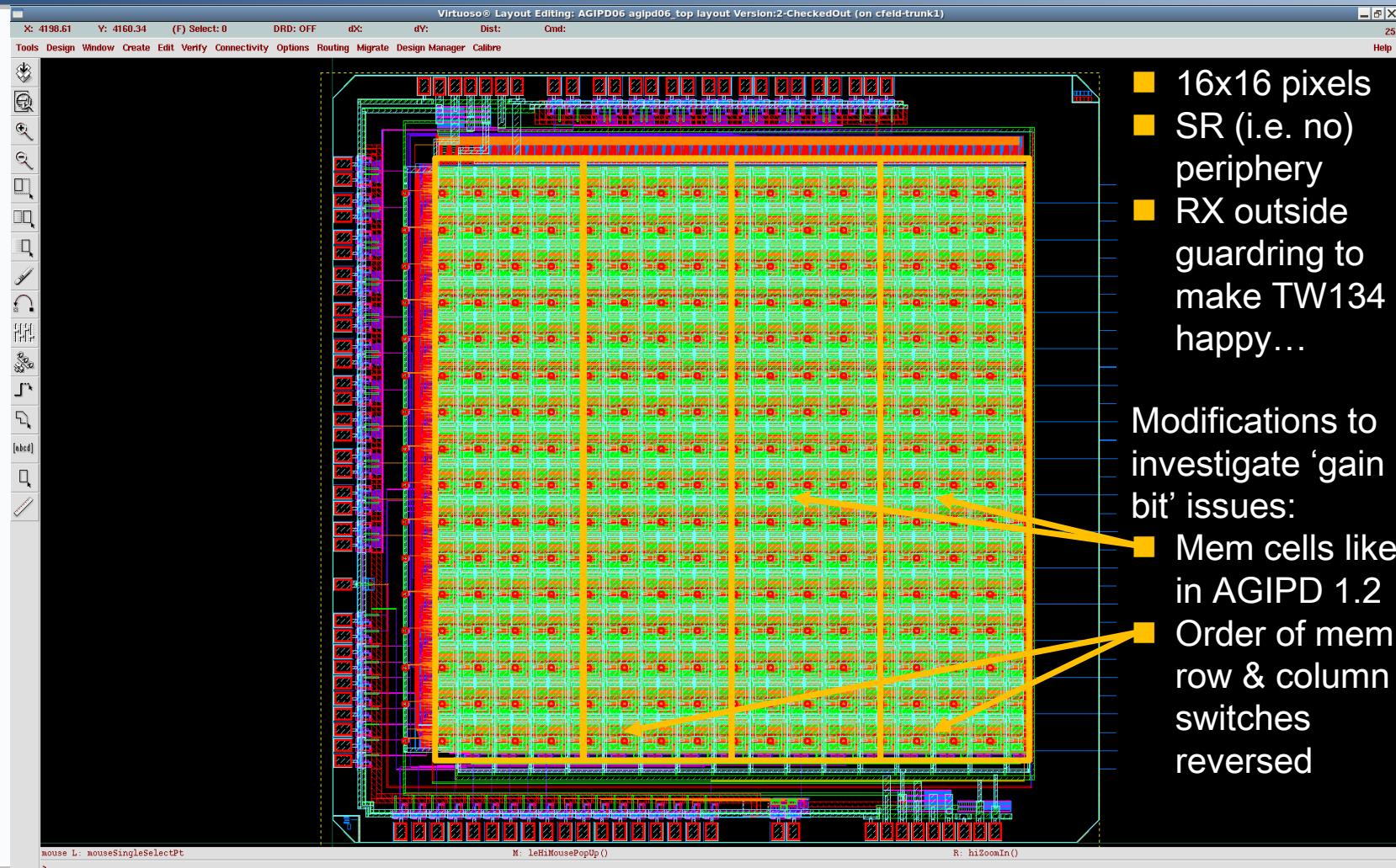
# ecAGIPD-Preampl



# ecAGIPD-Preamplifier



# ecAGIPD: AGIPD06 Prototype





# Beyond AGIPD

European XFEL operation will change in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the 2020s. Tentatively 2 additional operation modes are foreseen:

- CW operation at 100kHz
- ‘Long Pulse’ mode with  $\leq 200\text{kHz}$  in 500ms bursts, i.e. 50% duty cycle

On the same time scale the PETRA IV DLLS will become available.

- Intensity will allow to record complete diffraction patterns in  $\approx 10\mu\text{s}$

Plans for a possible successor of AGIPD are

- $\geq 100\text{kHz}$  (CW) imager
- $100 \mu\text{m} \times 100 \mu\text{m}$  Pixels
- Dynamic gain switching
- In-pixel (group) ADC
- (Very) Limited pipeline for burst mode



# Going Faster: With Analogue Readout



Ingredients (1<sup>st</sup> order):  $t = \frac{1}{f_{\text{ADC}}}$

- Digitisation with  $n$  bits
- at a rate of  $f_{\text{ADC}}$

$$2^{-n} \geq e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

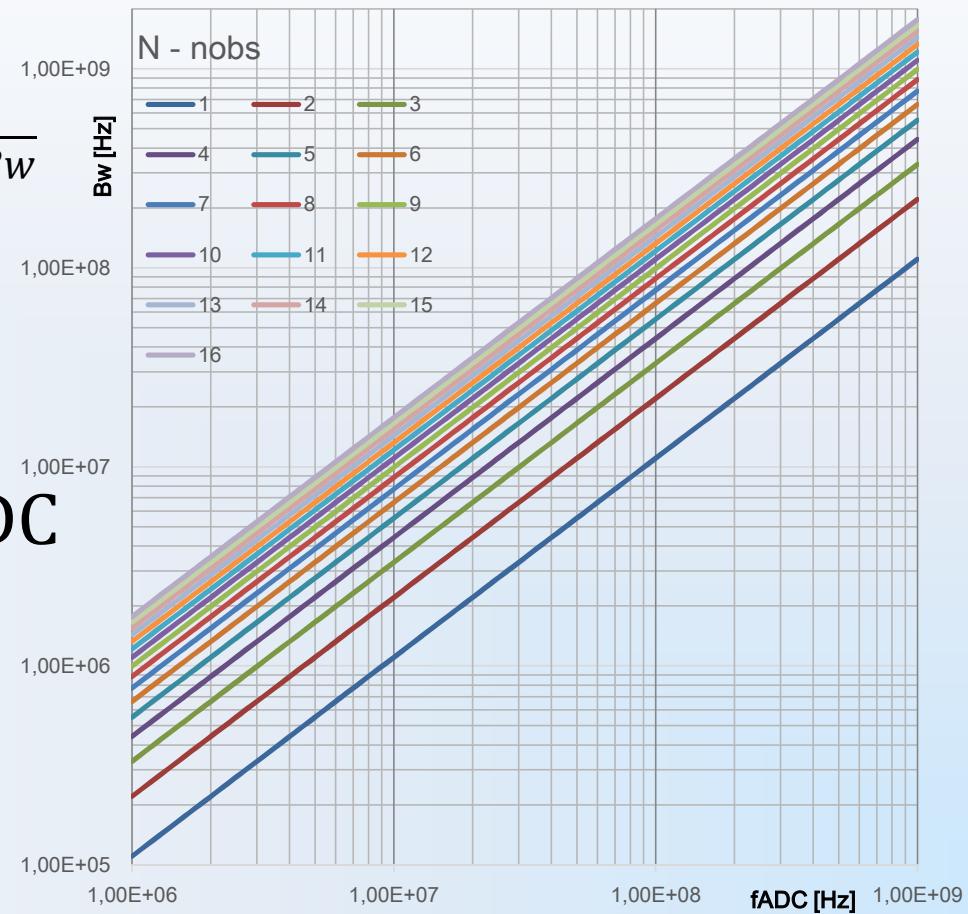
$$\tau = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot Bw}$$

The required bandwidth  $Bw$  becomes:

$$Bw \geq \frac{\ln(2)}{2\pi} \cdot n \cdot f_{\text{ADC}}$$

In case of AGIPD:

- Digitising 2 values/pixel  
(gain & amplitude)
- 1024 pixel/port
- @ 33MHz
- ⇒ 16 kHz frame rate



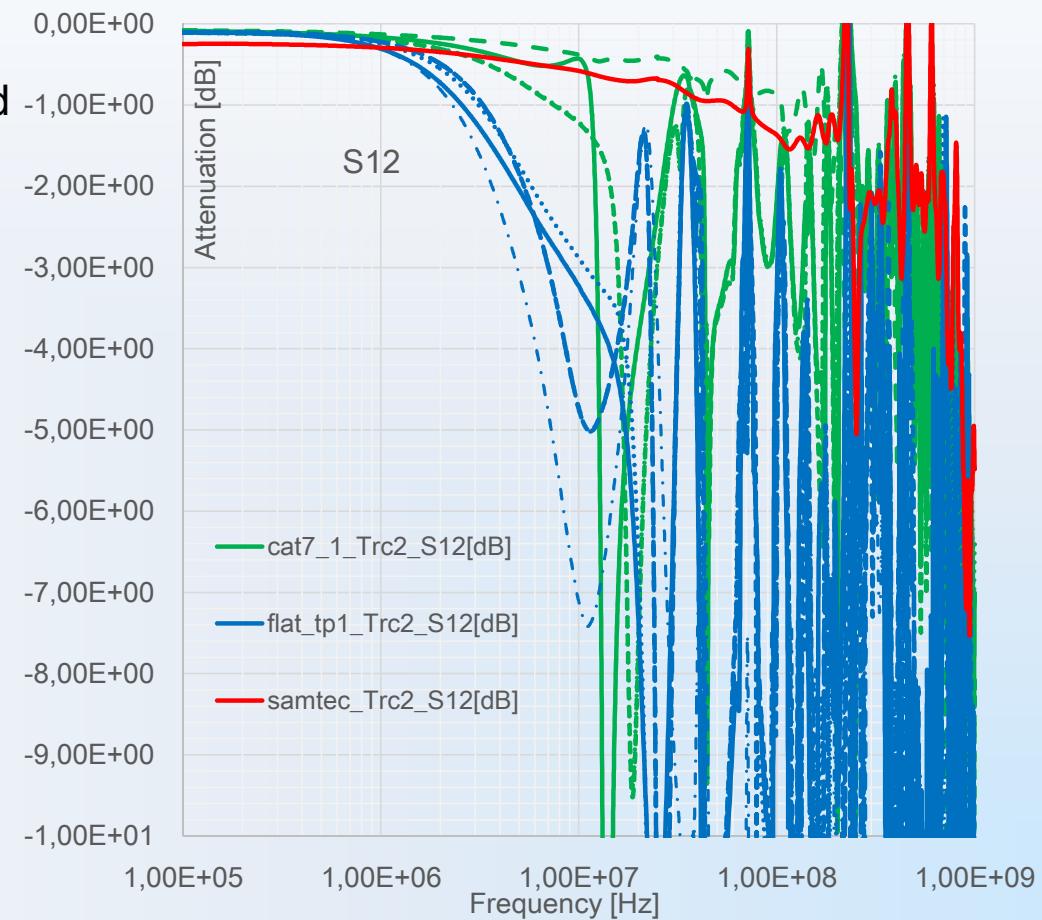
# Going Faster: Limits of Analogue Readout



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Order Effects:

- Skin-Effect (att.  $\sim \sqrt{f}$ )
  - can not be compensated with pre-emphasis ( $\sim 1/f$ )
  - can be compensated with a digital (FIR) filter
- Reflections due to
  - Connectors
  - Bending of cables

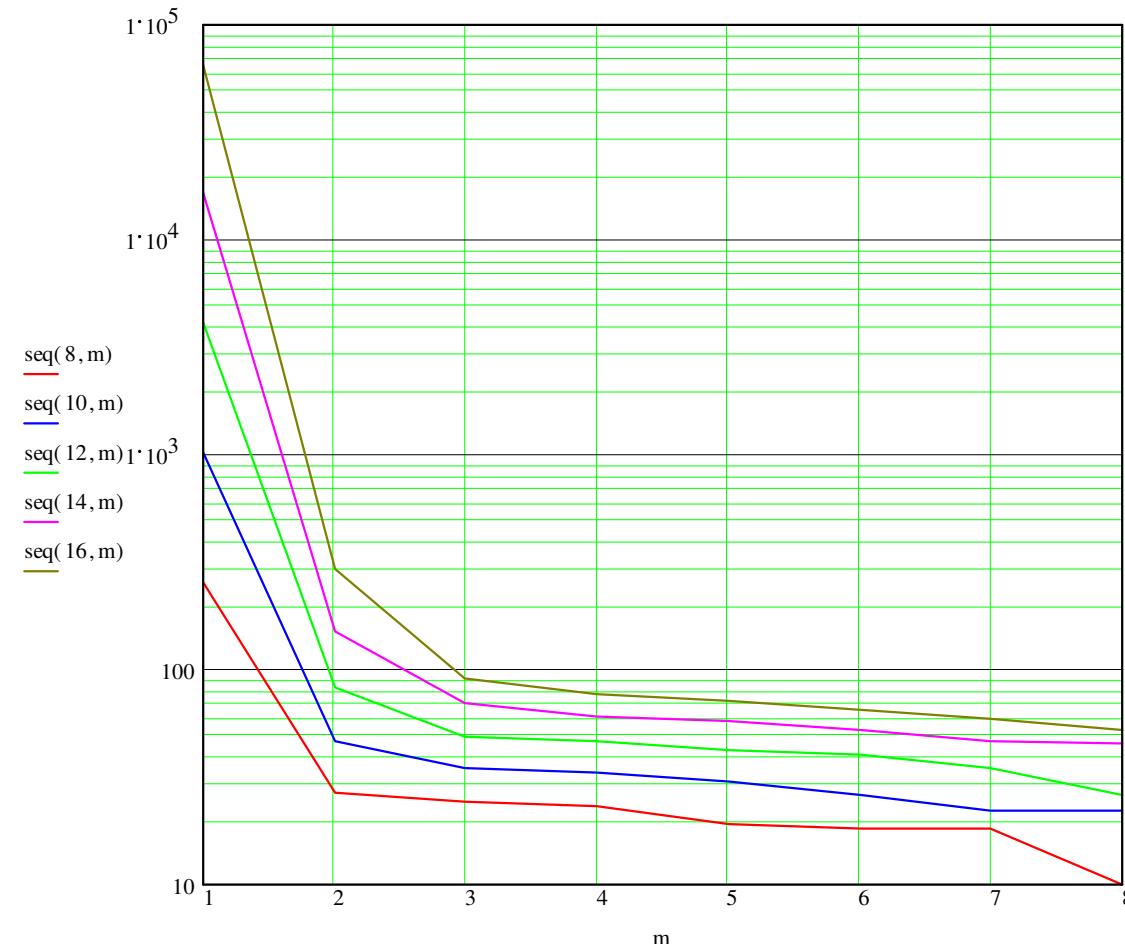
⇒ Very delicate above a few 10MHz  
⇒ the same transmission line would be OK for the resulting digital data



# Going Faster: Going Digital



## In-pixel digitisation architectures

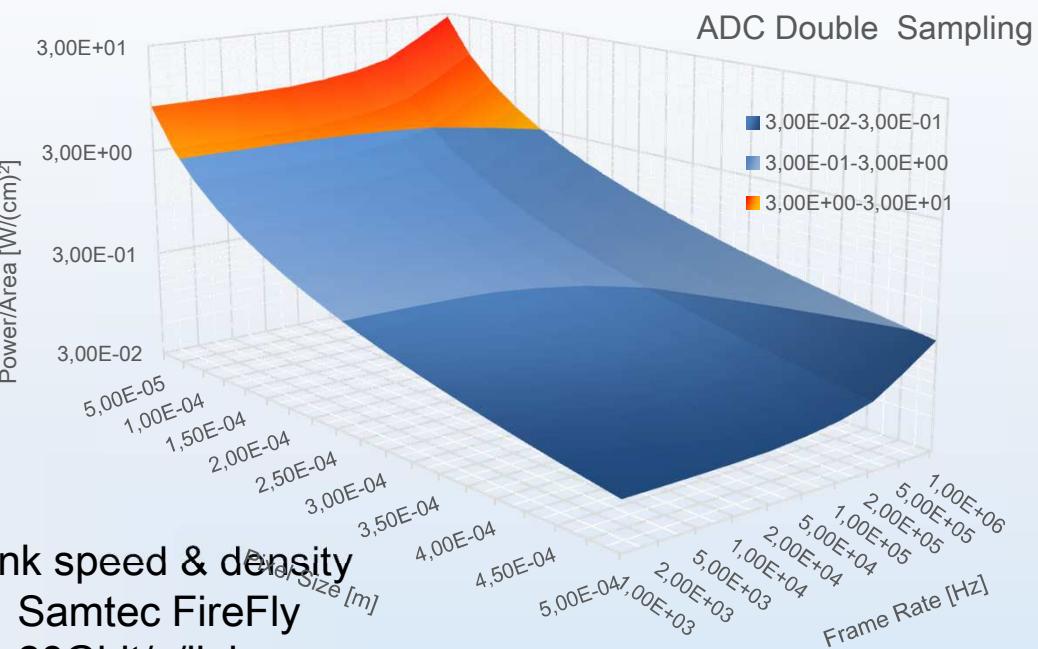
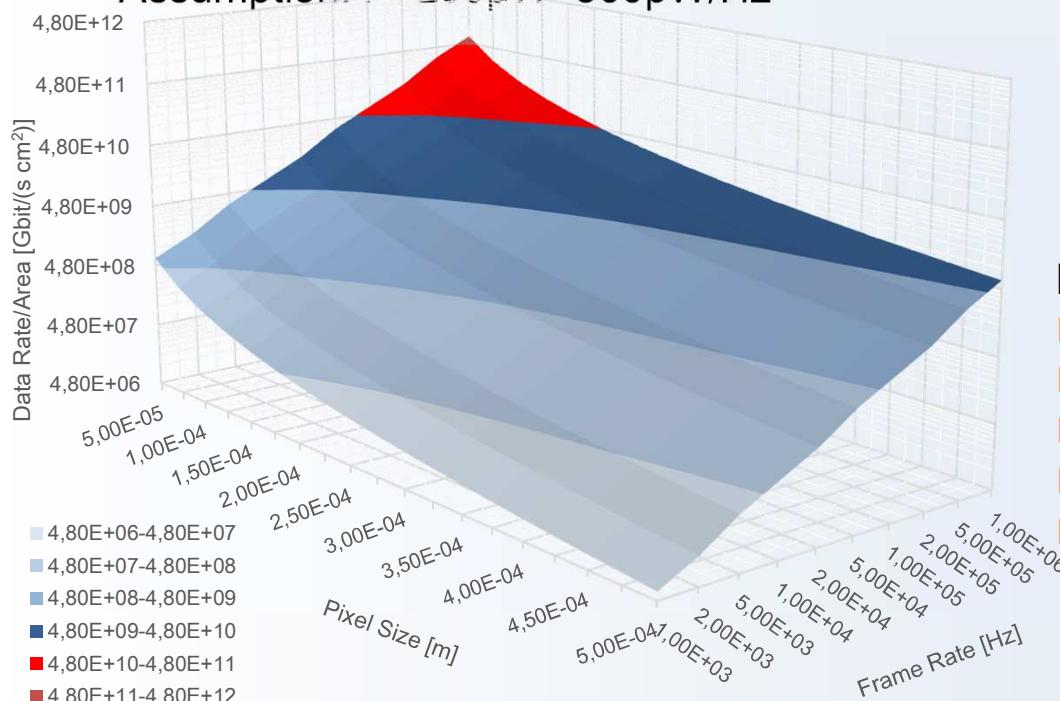


$n^{\text{th}}$ Order Bitstream ( $\Delta\Sigma$ )
16
$f_{\text{frame}}$
$\geq \sqrt[n]{2^{\text{NoB}}} \times f_{\text{frame}}$
$\geq \sqrt[n]{2^{\text{NoB}}} \times f_{\text{frame}}$ (before decimation filter)
Intrinsic
??(overhead)
(yes, digital)
Decimation filter, gain, (pulse shape analysis)
Simple analogue circuit, Low/no matching issues, noise shaping possible
Speed requirements, clock distribution, readout bandwidth

# Going Faster: Speed Limits

## Power/area

- Dynamic gain switching
- Pixel size  $50\mu\text{m} \dots 500\mu\text{m}$
- Digitisation with 16 bits
- at a frame rate of  $f_{\text{ADC}}$
- Assumption:  $P=200\mu\text{W}+500\text{pW}/\text{Hz}$



## Link speed & density

- Samtec FireFly
- 28Gbit/s/link
- 24Gbit/s/link (net)
- 12 links/unit
- Footprint 20 x 30 mm<sup>2</sup>
  - 48Gbit/(s cm<sup>2</sup>)
  - 3Gs/(s cm<sup>2</sup>) (16bit/sample)
  - DAQ and analysis become „Big Data“ challenges

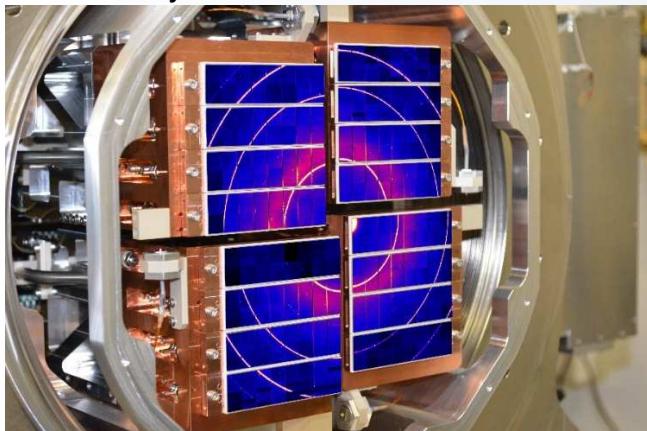
# Summary & Outlook

## AGIPD 1.1 (SPB/MID)

- System fulfils all requirements, esp. in terms of
  - Noise (<310e / <1.2 keV)
  - Single photon sensitivity
  - Dynamic range ( $>10^4\gamma$  @ 12.4keV)
  - Speed
- 1<sup>st</sup> 1Mpix system (SPB) in user operation
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 1Mpix system (MID) has been delivered
- Issues with low/med gain discrimination
  - Mask fix (AGIPD 1.2) taped out 14. Aug. 2018

## SFX AGIPD 4M and HiBEF 1M systems

- Commissioning of new readout boards currently ongoing
  - No major issues
- Evaluation of advanced cooling concepts
- Both systems will be delivered with Silicon sensors & AGIPD 1.x ASICs



## ecAGIPD for HiBEF

- Will replace Silicon sensors with High-Z ones
- Changes
  - Electron collecting preamp
  - Reversed polarity of discriminator
  - New calibration circuit
  - Use of twin wells
  - Reversed gain encoding levels
- AGIPD06
  - 16 x16 ecAGIPD prototype
  - Submitted 13.11.2017
  - Manufacturing @ GF only started end of March (30.03.18)
  - Silicon back since July
- Only peripheral routing missing for an 64x64 EcAGIPD
  - Swapping of outputs
  - Layout (vDiode, some routing outside the matrix...)

## 100kHz Imager for CW-XFEL and PETRA IV

- Concept studies
- More specs needed



[http://photon-science.desy.de/research/technical\\_groups/detectors/projects/agipd](http://photon-science.desy.de/research/technical_groups/detectors/projects/agipd)