

Pixel detectors for laser-driven proton and carbon ion acceleration at CALA

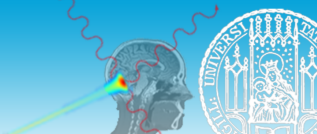
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Introduction

- Low energetic ion-beams?
- Laser-Ion detectors & problems

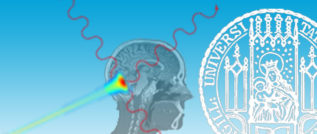
Material and Methods

- Radeye CMOS sensor
- Wide Angle Spectrometer (WASP)
- Scintillator Stack

Outlook

- Follow up model

Low energetic ion-beams?



- Radiotherapy: p : 75 – 245MeV, ^{12}C : 150 – 430MeV/u
- 300TW Ti:Sa Laser (LEX Munich): $p^+/e^- < 20\text{MeV}$, $^{12}\text{C} < 50\text{MeV}$

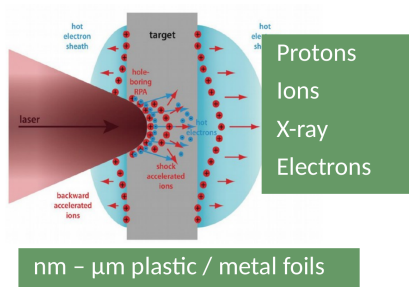


Figure: Scheme for Laser pulse based acceleration of particle bunches

Shot frequency historically: 1/h
 Now: 1Hz

Established Laser-Ion detectors

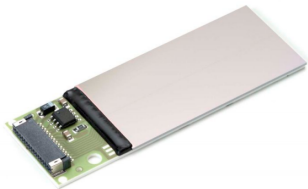
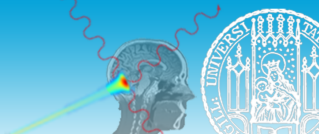


Current LION detectors	Online	Light / x-ray sensitive	Drawbacks
CR-39	-	-	Chemistry, Microscope
Image plates	-	x	Hours of scanning, \$
Dosimetric Film	-	x	Scanning, Handling



Difficulties for (not only) electronic detectors @ Laser:

- **Vacuum** compatible sensor & readout & cables?
- Shield the intense **Laser light**?
- Shield the intense **EMP**?
- Feed signals from **Vacuum to air** online?
- 10^{10} protons/ns bunches
- Darkcurrent from **lack of cooling**?

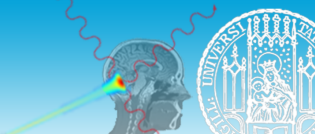


- Commercial CMOS used for X-ray detection in air (scintillator)
- 1024 × 512 Pixels, 48μm × 48μm
- 14-bit
- 2μm active Si thickness
- 2.5Hz readout
- 4 sensors can be combined
- Radiation hard
- High saturation 4×10^7 protons/cm² ^a
- Single proton sensitive ^b

^aS. Reinhardt et al.: Test of pixel detectors for laser-driven accelerated particle beams, J. Instrum. 6, 2011

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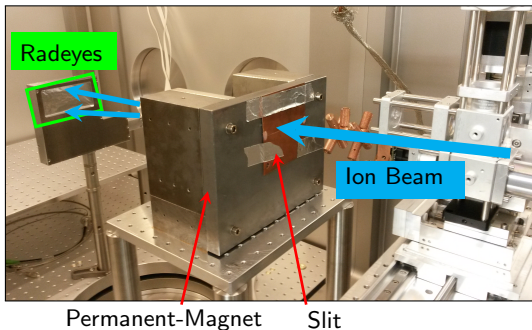


Detector housing:

- Detaches sensors from readout
- Sensors in **vacuum**
- Shields **EMP** (5mm Al)
- Shields **Laser** (15 μ m Al)
- 5cm \times 10cm sensors
- Dissipates **heat**
- DVI adapterboard to feedthrough

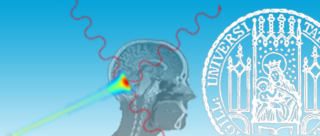


- 150mT permanent magnet
- 2 cm iron front plate
- 200 μm \times 10cm slit
- 5 \times 10cm Radeyes
- Used in 1000 laser shots¹
- (Quadrupole Duplet Focus diagnostic)



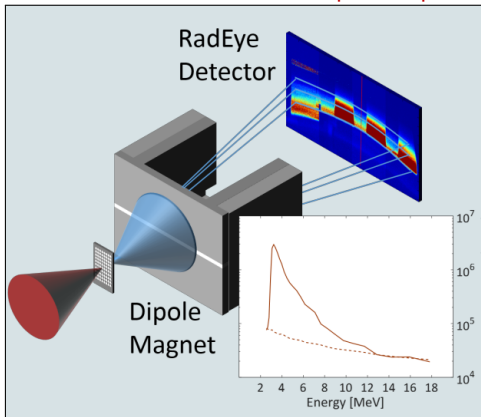
¹Y. Gao et al.: An automated, 0.5 Hz nano-foil target positioning system for intense laser plasma experiments, High Power Laser Science and Engineering, (2017), Vol. 5,

Wide Angle Spectrometer

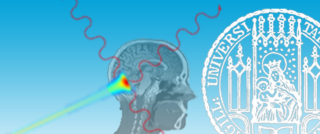


- 1 - 35 MeV p^+
- ± 4 degree angle

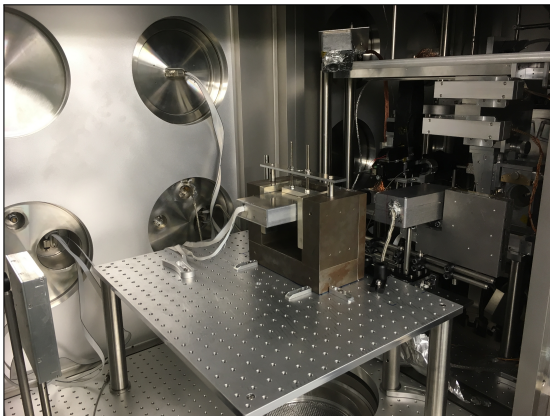
- Allows different slit spacings
- **Online- proton spectrum** for parameterscans



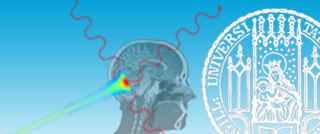
Combined proton electron WASP



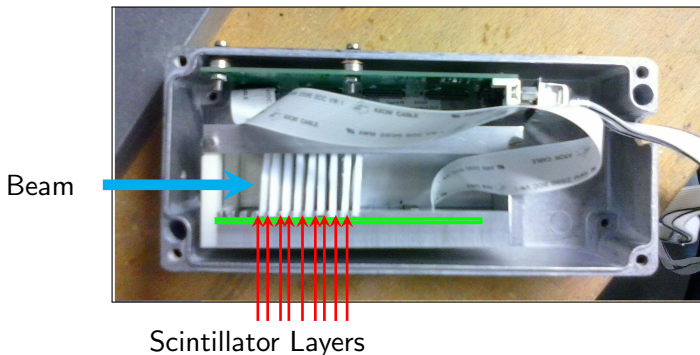
- Combined p^+ / ^{12}C and e^- detection
- e^- housing between magnets
- 5cm \times 10cm Lanex e^- scintillator
- Correlation / Anticorrelation of spectra



Scintillator stack using Radeye



- Built for up to 20 MeV²
- Radiation hard Polysiloxane & Teflon layers molded edge-on to Radeye
- Radeye as position sensitive photon integrating detector

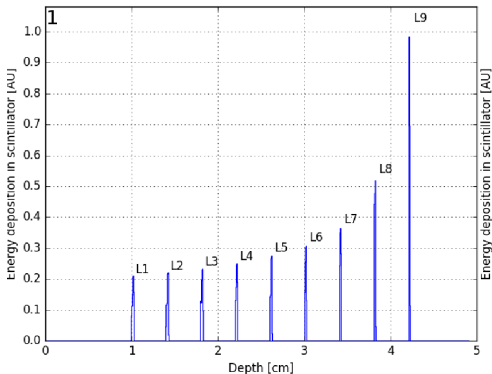


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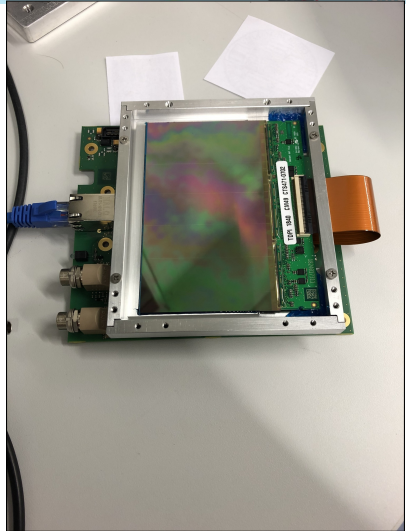
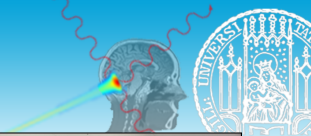


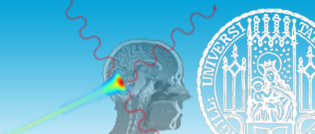
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Characterization of follow up product: Vacuum, Cooling,
Proton sensitivity, radiation hardness, linearity





- Radiation hard, online, vacuum compatible, pixelated detector **Radeye**
- Multi-use:
 - Magnetic spectrometer
 - Scintillator stack
 - Thompson parabola
 - Quadrupole diagnostic
 - Detector stack?
- **3PW** Ti:Sa Sytem Centre for advanced laser applications **CALA** starting operation mid 2019
- 100 MeV protons?
 - Non-invasive diagnostics?
 - Spectrometer?
 - Scintillator?
 - Ionoacoustics?

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