



Reflectometry  
Proposal Review Meeting  
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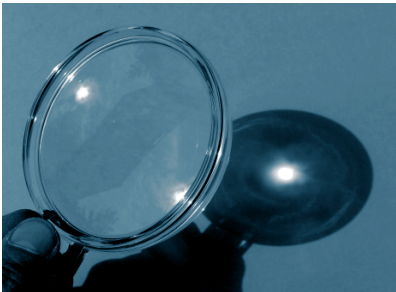
**Estia**  
ΕΣΤΙΑ

a

focusing reflectometer for small samples

based on the

*Selene* guide concept



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Εστία is optimised for small samples

— most of which are hard matter nowadays

Εστία will deliver brilliant results also for large samples,

or samples with intrinsic background

Εστία = *Selene*-guide + reflectometer

is a concept which can be adapted to a science case

the SAP has the expertise to define a science case  
(especially for “a very fast moving area of science.”)

## design criteria

STAP	very general (complement to the vertical instrument)	small samples polarisation higher resolution
	take care for background	double <i>Selene</i> guide
	avoid prompt pulse	length $\lambda$ -range
ESS	shielding, source, distances	length pin-hole double <i>Selene</i> guide
me	science case, operation modes	small footprint wide divergence

# instrument

Εστία

is a

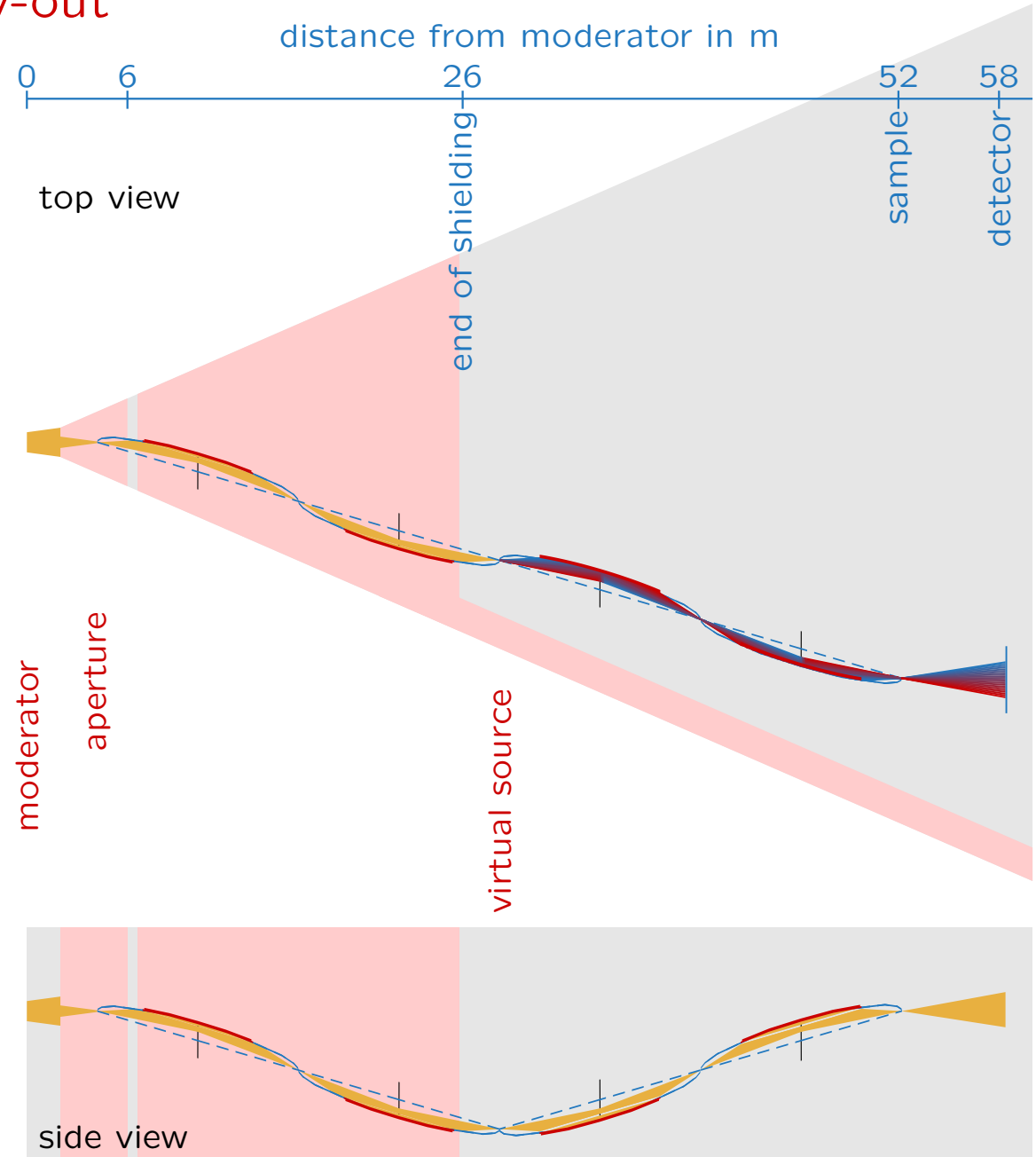
TOF reflectometer

with

- horizontal scattering plane
- max footprint  $10 \times 50 \text{ mm}^2$
- intrinsic resolution 2 to 4%
- various options

not all options can be used for all kinds of experiments

## lay-out



## guide accuracy - options

frame of reference:

- pin-hole in the extraction unit
- 1st guide segment

as submitted

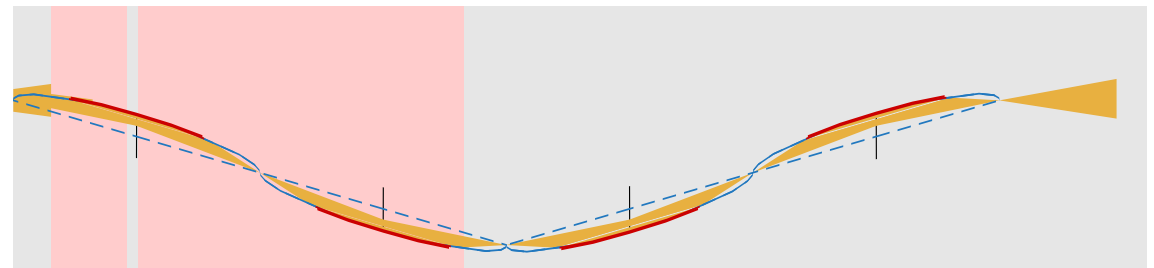
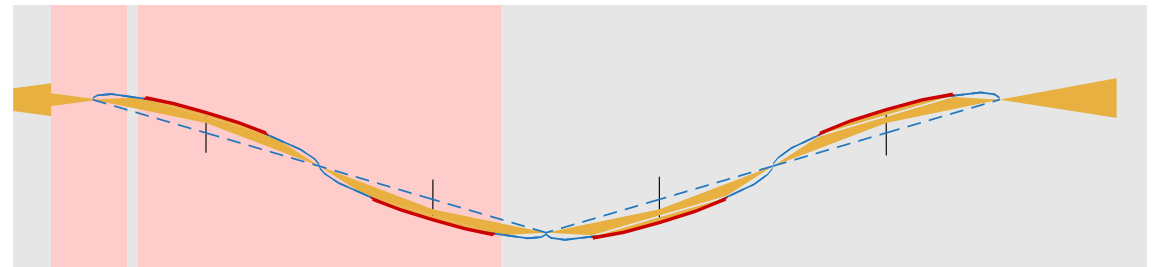
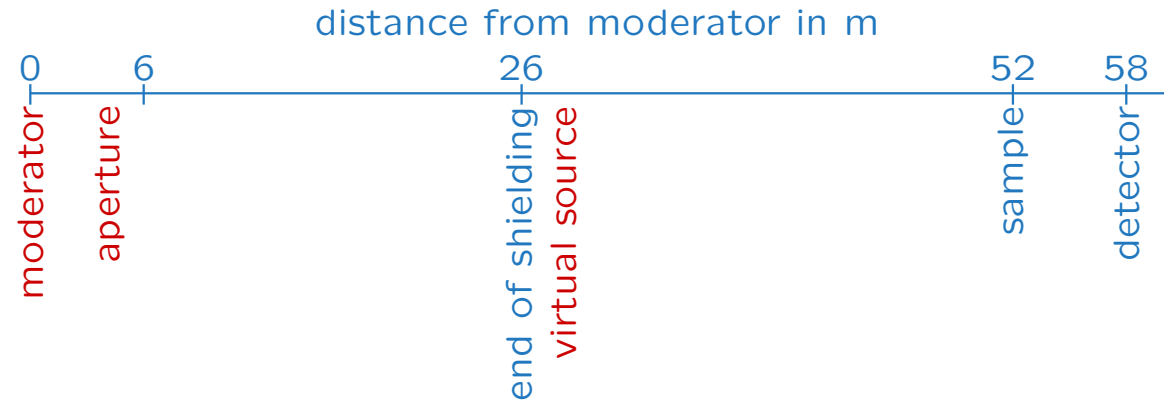
optimised for low radiation

aperture removed

guide stretched

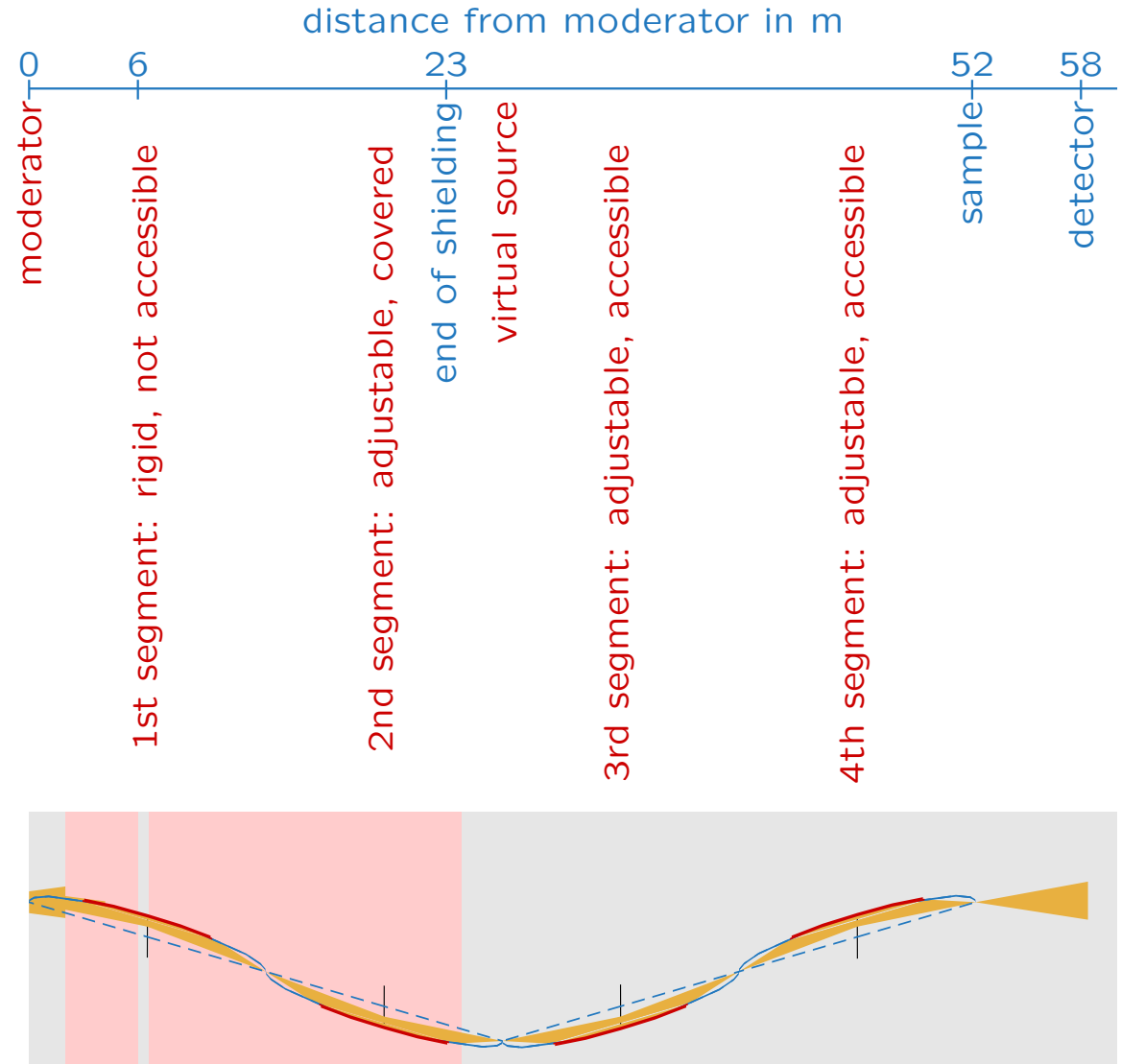
guide accepts only neutrons

originating from a  $10 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$  spot on the monitor



# guide accuracy - access

	access	tolerance
moderator	none	size/2
1st segment	none	—
2nd segment	difficult	< 1 mm
3rd segment	easy	≪ 1 mm
4th segment		





## technical aspects

- detector

feedback from R. Hall-Wilton: no principle problem, no risk.

challenge: high simultaneous dynamic range across the detector area

- polarisation

performed before the virtual source

⇒ no problems with diffuse / off-specular scattering

guide field  $\approx 26$  m long, with cross-section  $\leq 80 \times 80$  mm<sup>2</sup>

- polarisation analysis

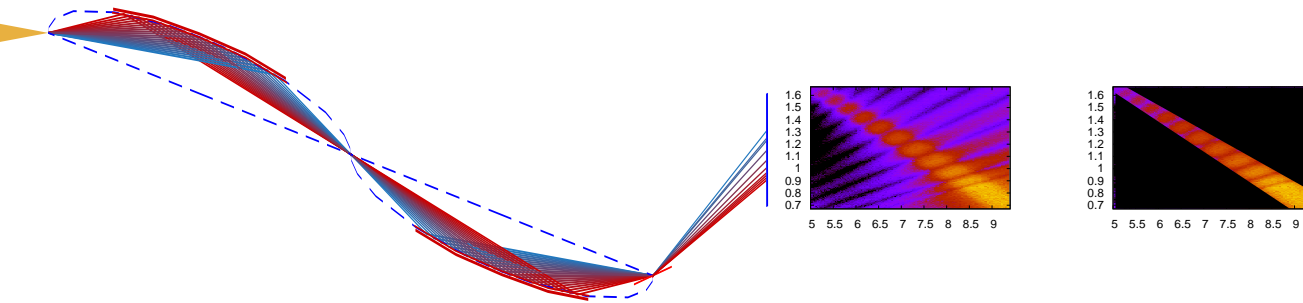
various options, none perfect for area detectors

common problem to all reflectometers

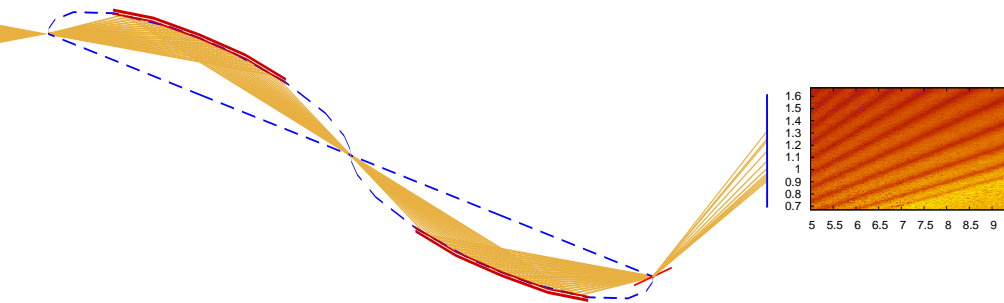
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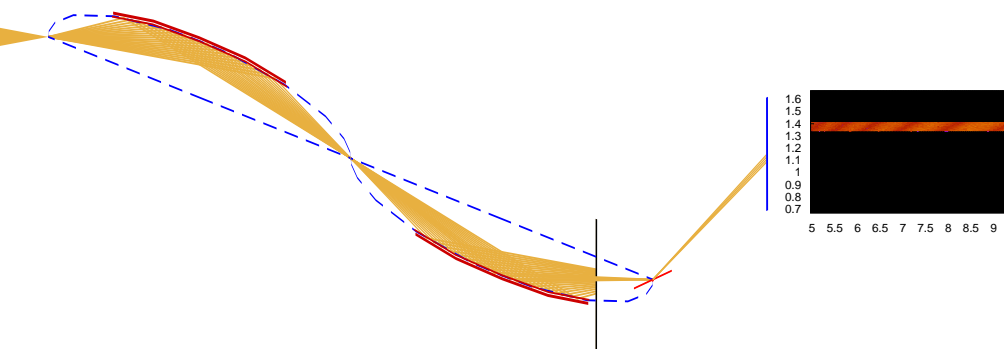
$\lambda$ - $\theta$  encoding



high-intensity specular reflectivity



*almost conventional*



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- fast slit system

type	importance	risk
some conventional slit	essential	none
" changing position by dropping pulses	essential	none
" changing position (< 80 mm) within 10 ms	nice to have	moderate
2 blades scanning independently < 80 mm within 60 ms and resetting in 10 ms	very nice... †	high
alternative: double disk chopper		none

upgradable any time

† if not available:

$\lambda$ - $\theta$ -encoding is contaminated with specular non-Bragg scattering from monochromator

## normalisation

common problem for all TOF reflectometers

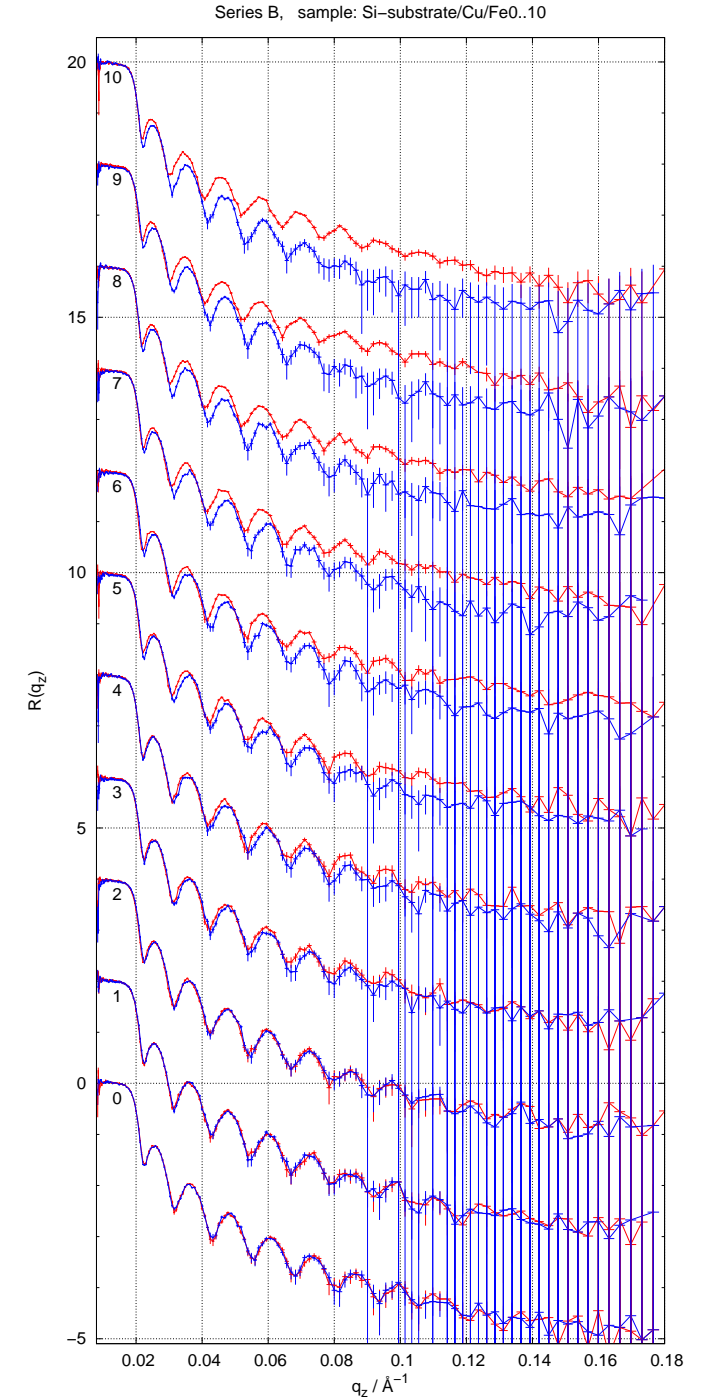
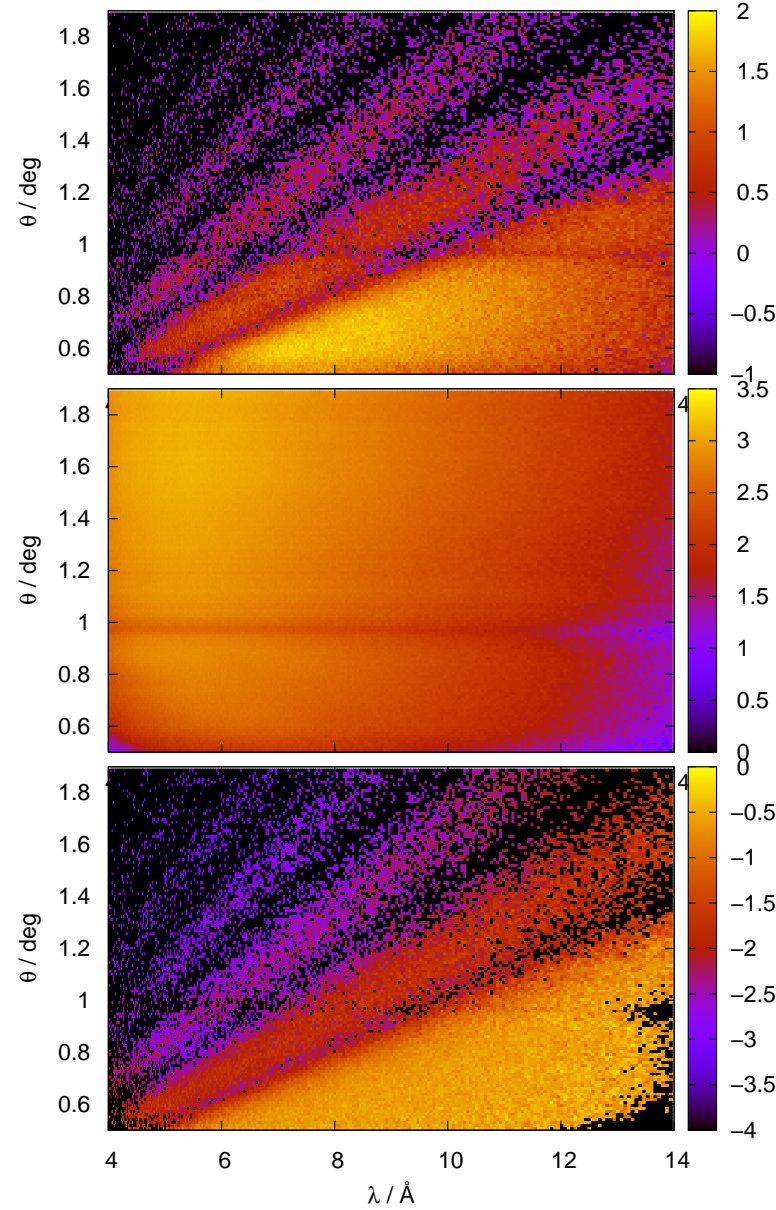
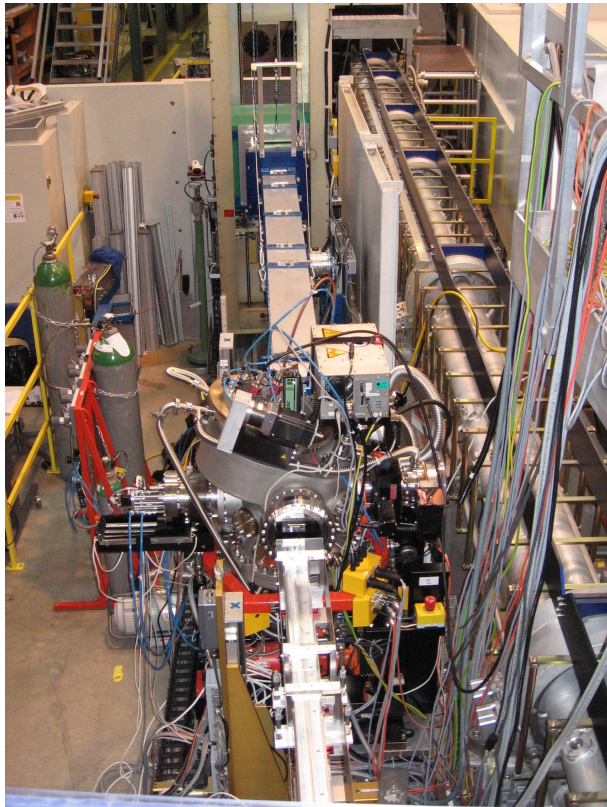
- direct beam (used on Amor)
  - + simple and fast
  - intensity might be too high
  - detector inhomogeneities are problematic
  - different (virtual) footprint
  
- reference sample (works with *Selene* prototype)
  - + illumination correction included
  - + detector inhomogeneities no problem
  - limited  $q_z$ -range
  - long counting times

reference can be characterised in angle-dispersive mode
  
- computed
  - + time saving
  - + flexible
  - no experience

# recent measurements

in-situ growth of  
Fe on Co

(B. Wiedemann, TUM)



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but it matches the estimate of R. Connaster

is this sufficient?

if not: will ESS help?

## the proposal

- is to long (it hardly exceeds the requested size)
- contains only half of the requested science case
- has too many details (makes it complicated)
- does not give enough details (see STAP question list)



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