

# Experience and future plans for running concurrently multiple experiments with Free Electron Lasers

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Linac Coherent Light Source

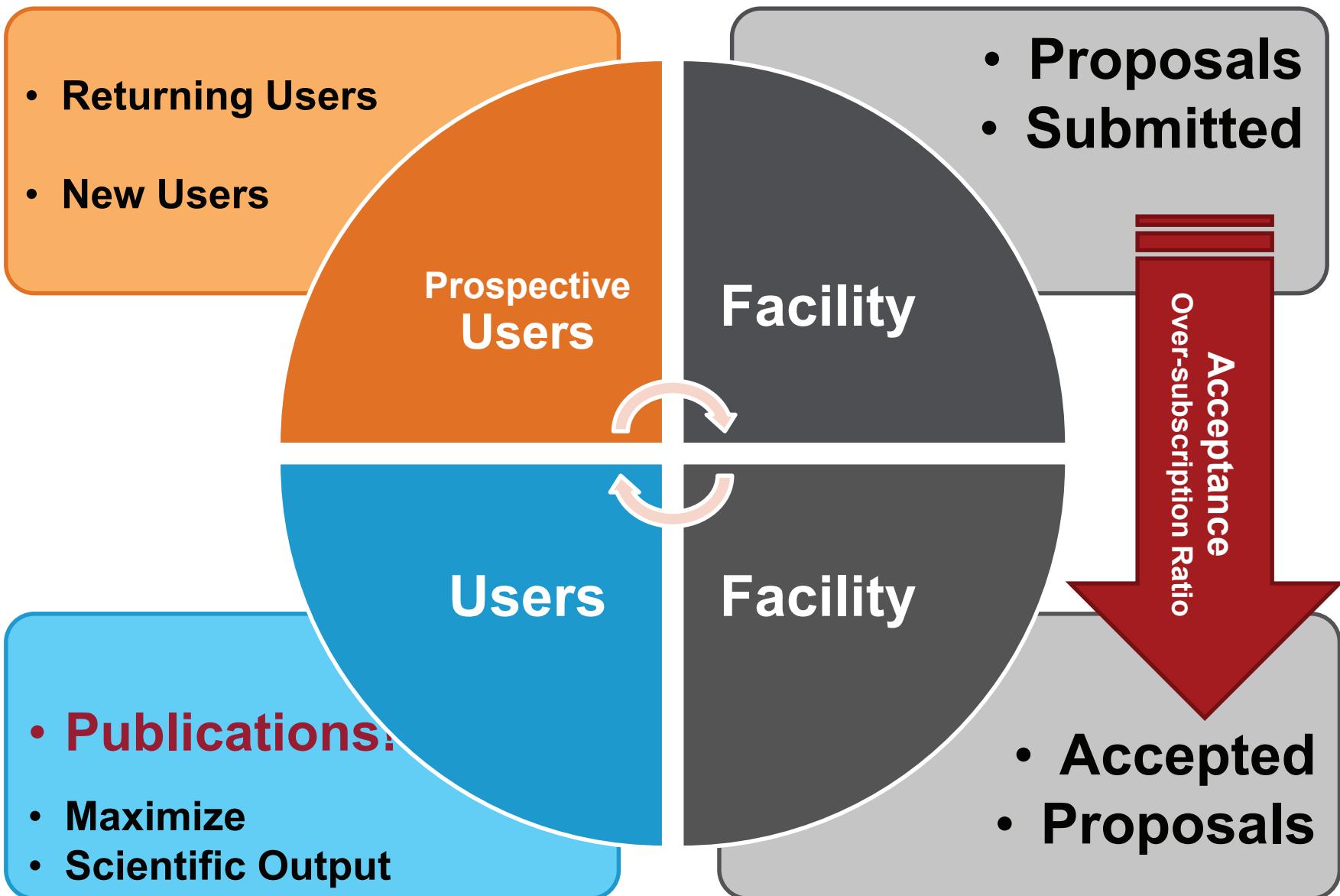
- How to define the success of an “X-ray” User Facility ?
- What is “Multiplexing”
  - Performing multiple experiments at the same time.
- Multiplexing Concepts:
  - Multiplexing with Electrons : feeding multiple undulators with one linac
  - Multiplexing with Photons : feeding multiple experiments from one undulator
- Current Multiplexing schemes at LCLS
- Future plans with X-ray gratings
- Conclusion

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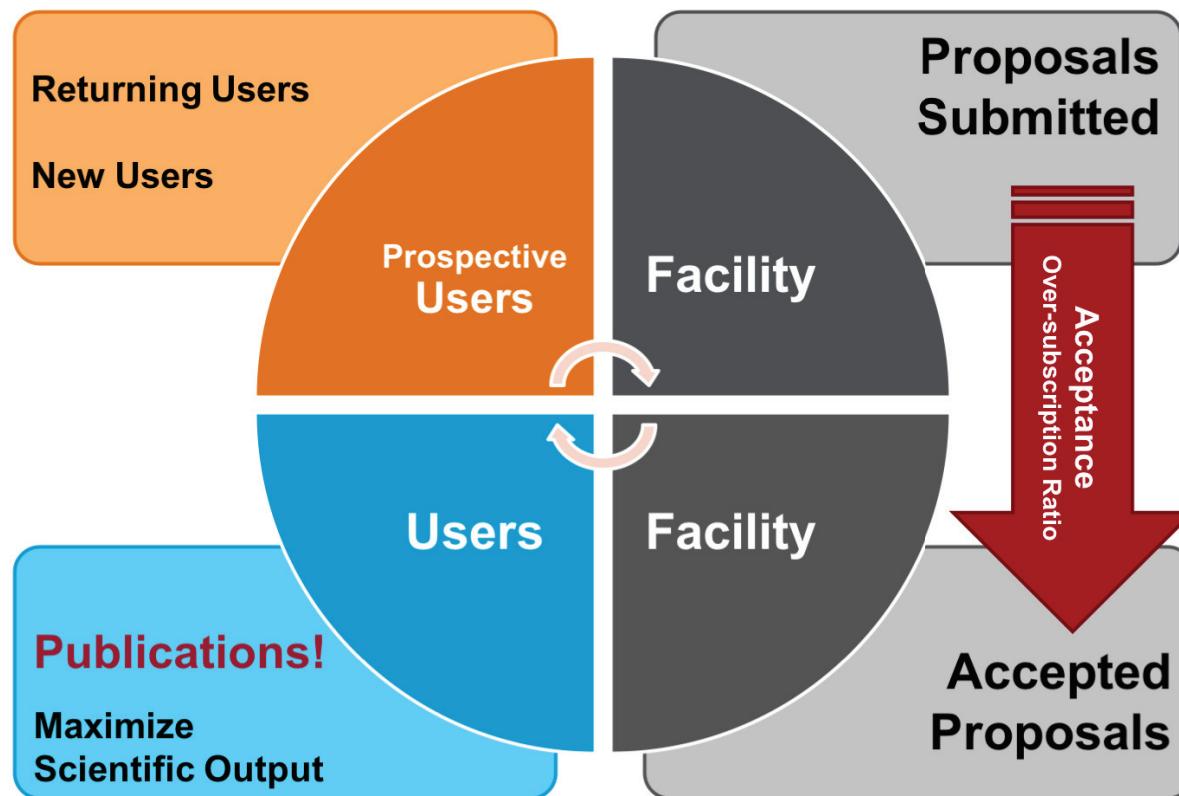
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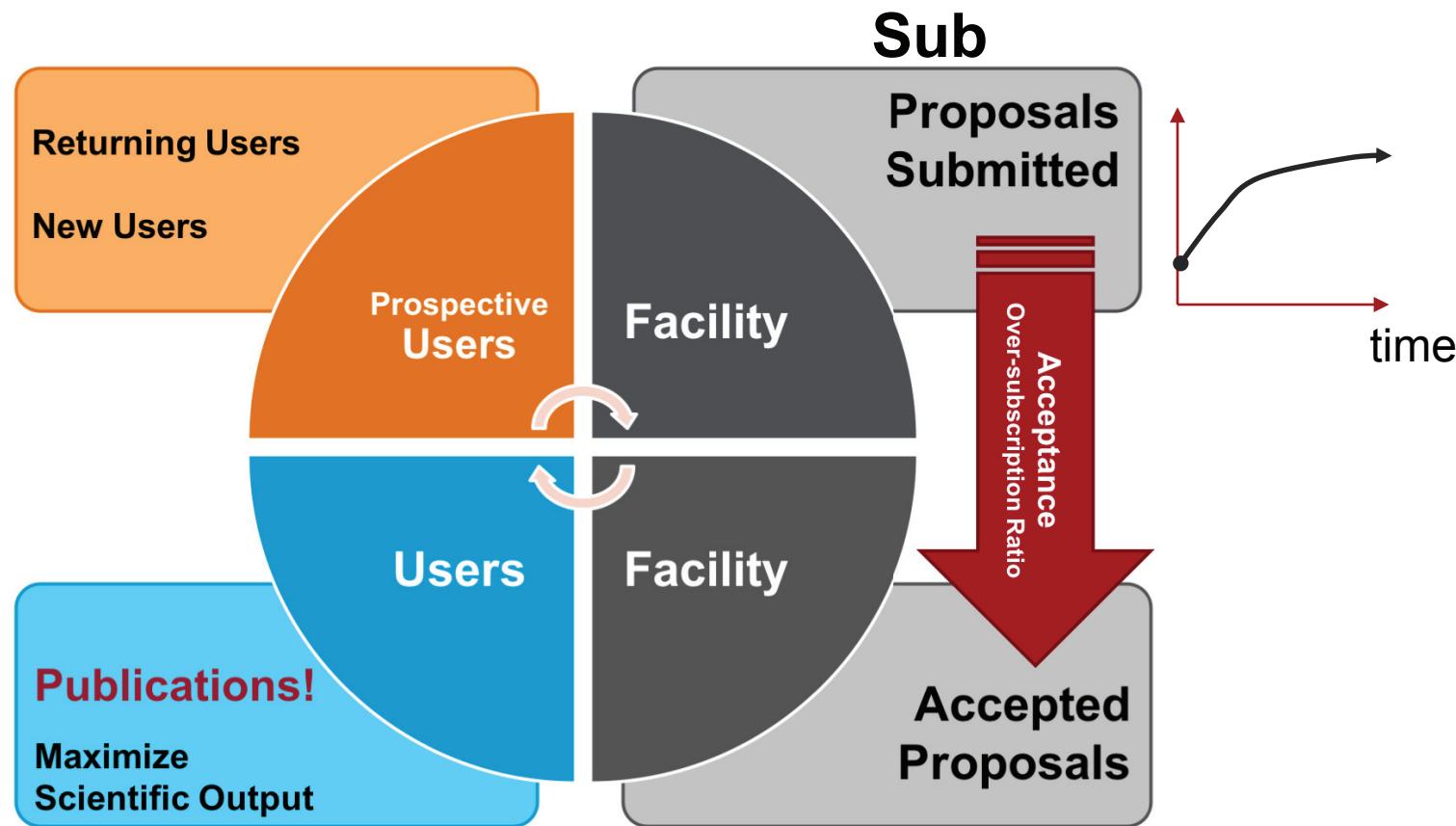
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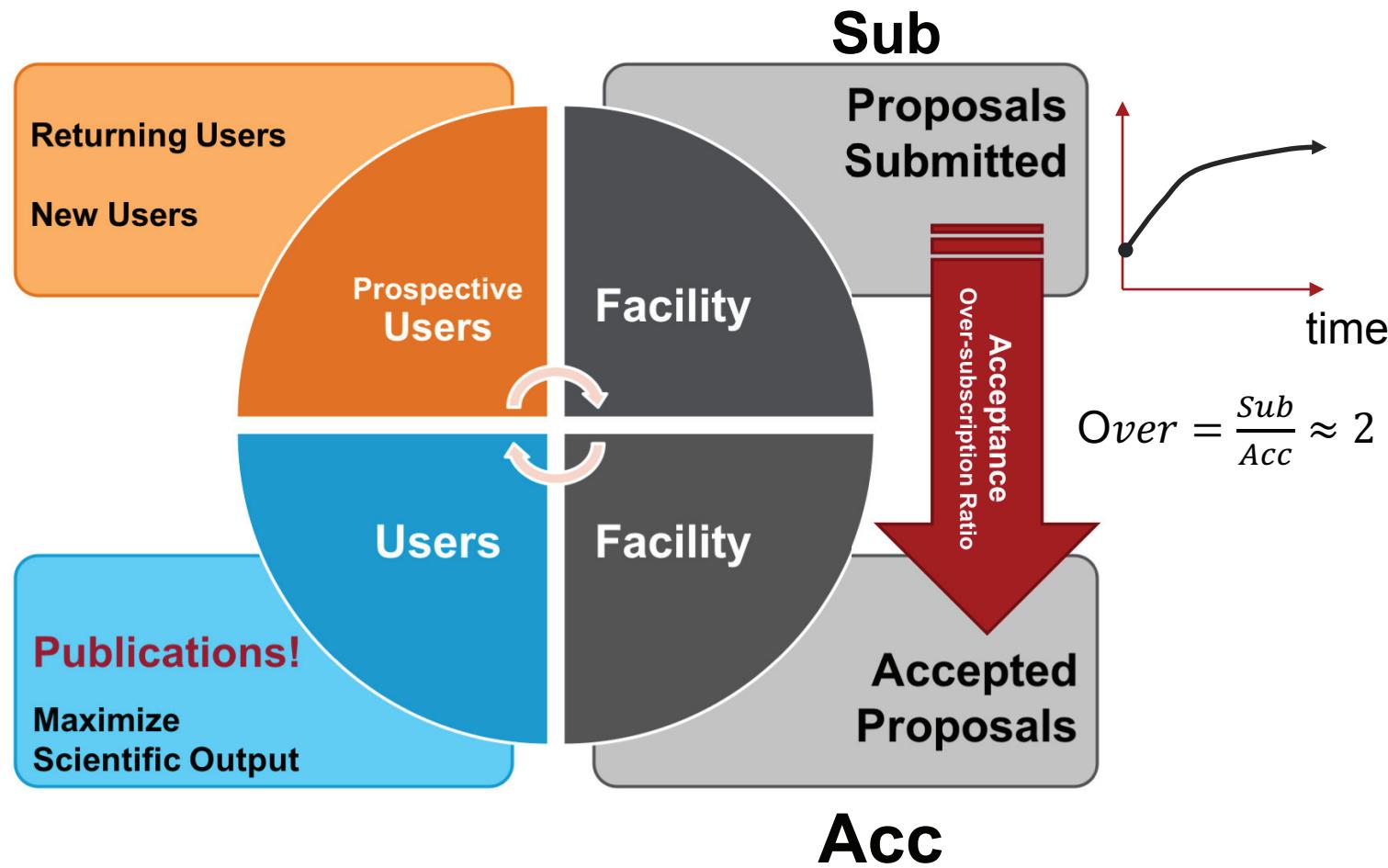
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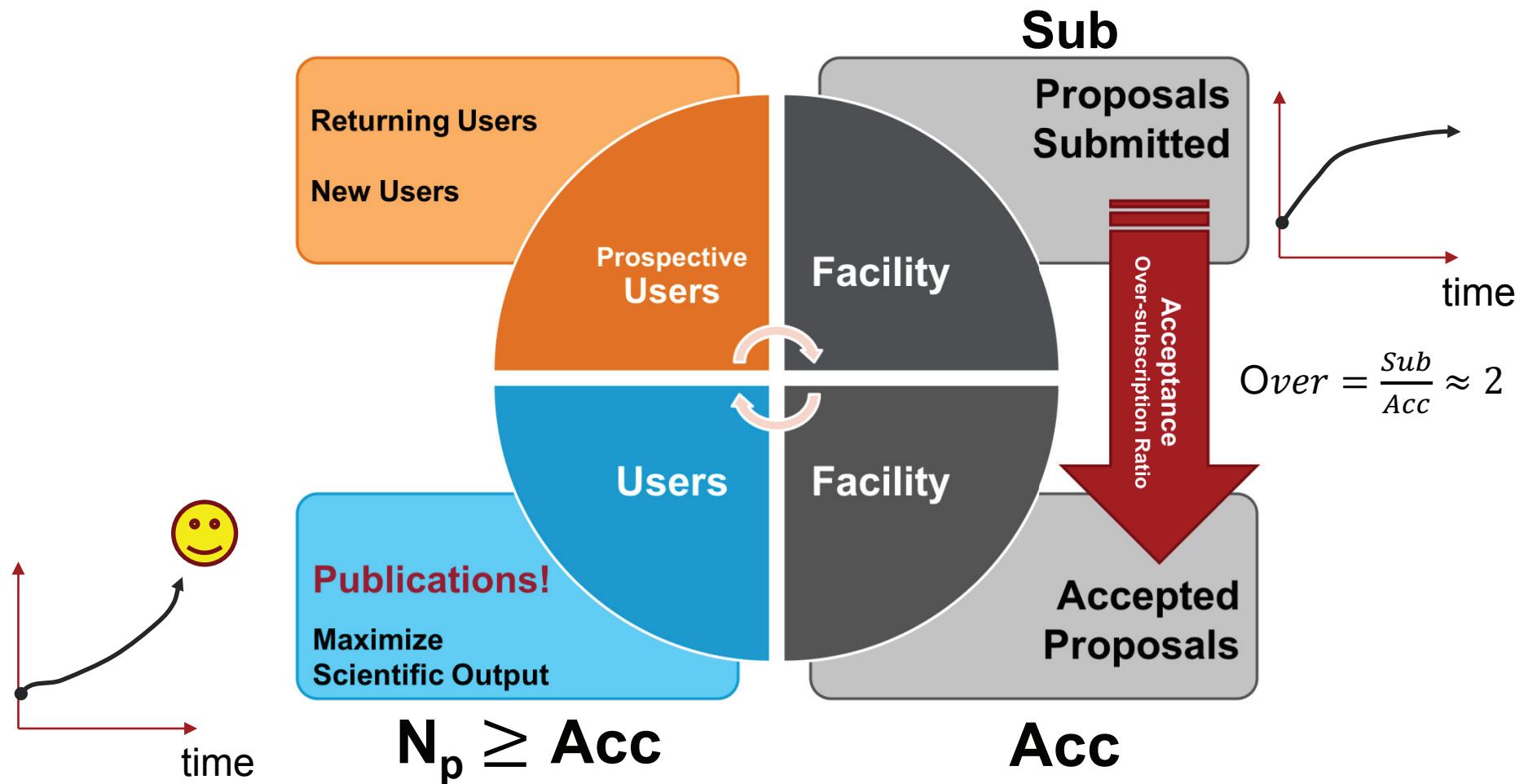
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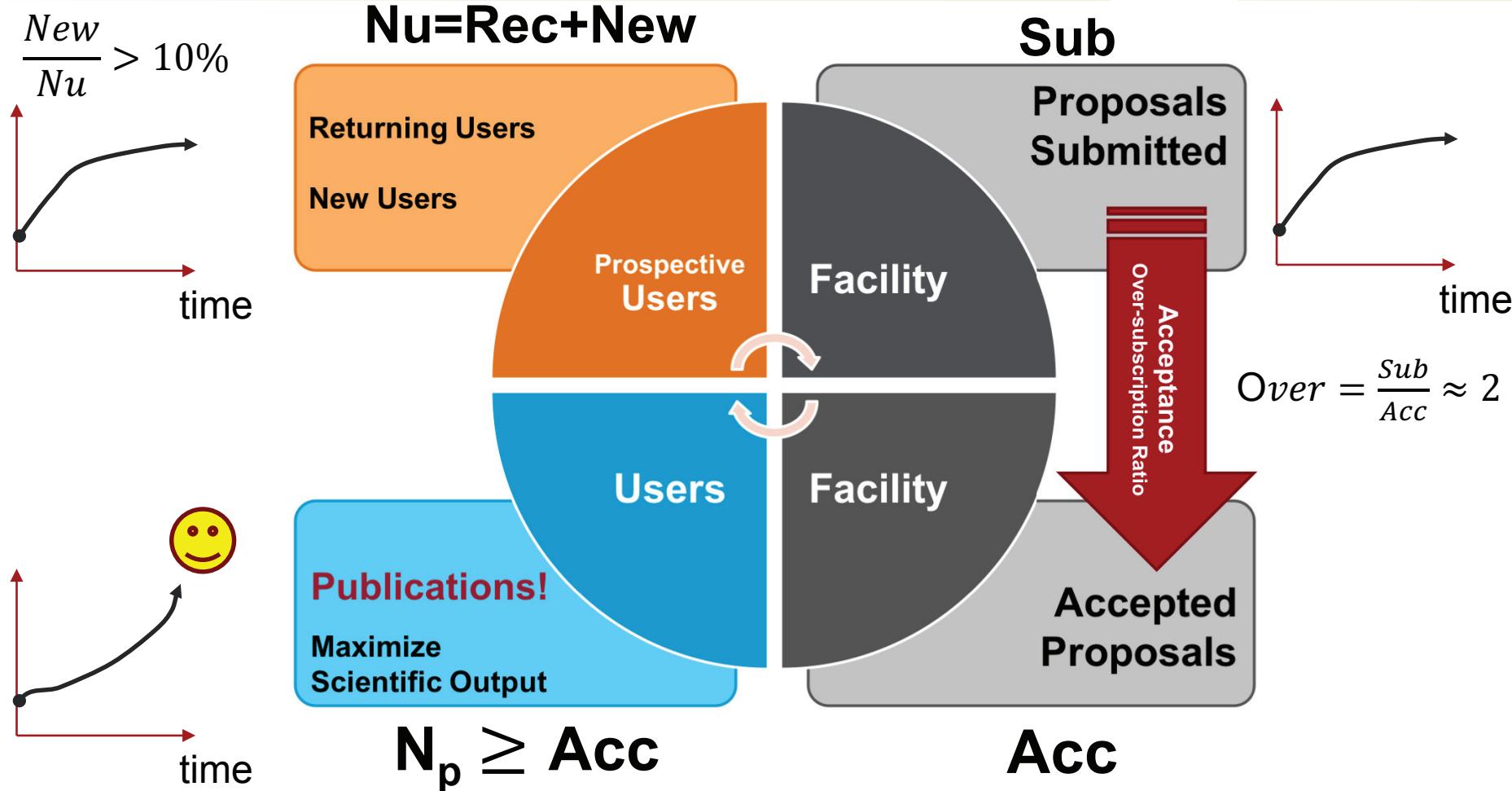
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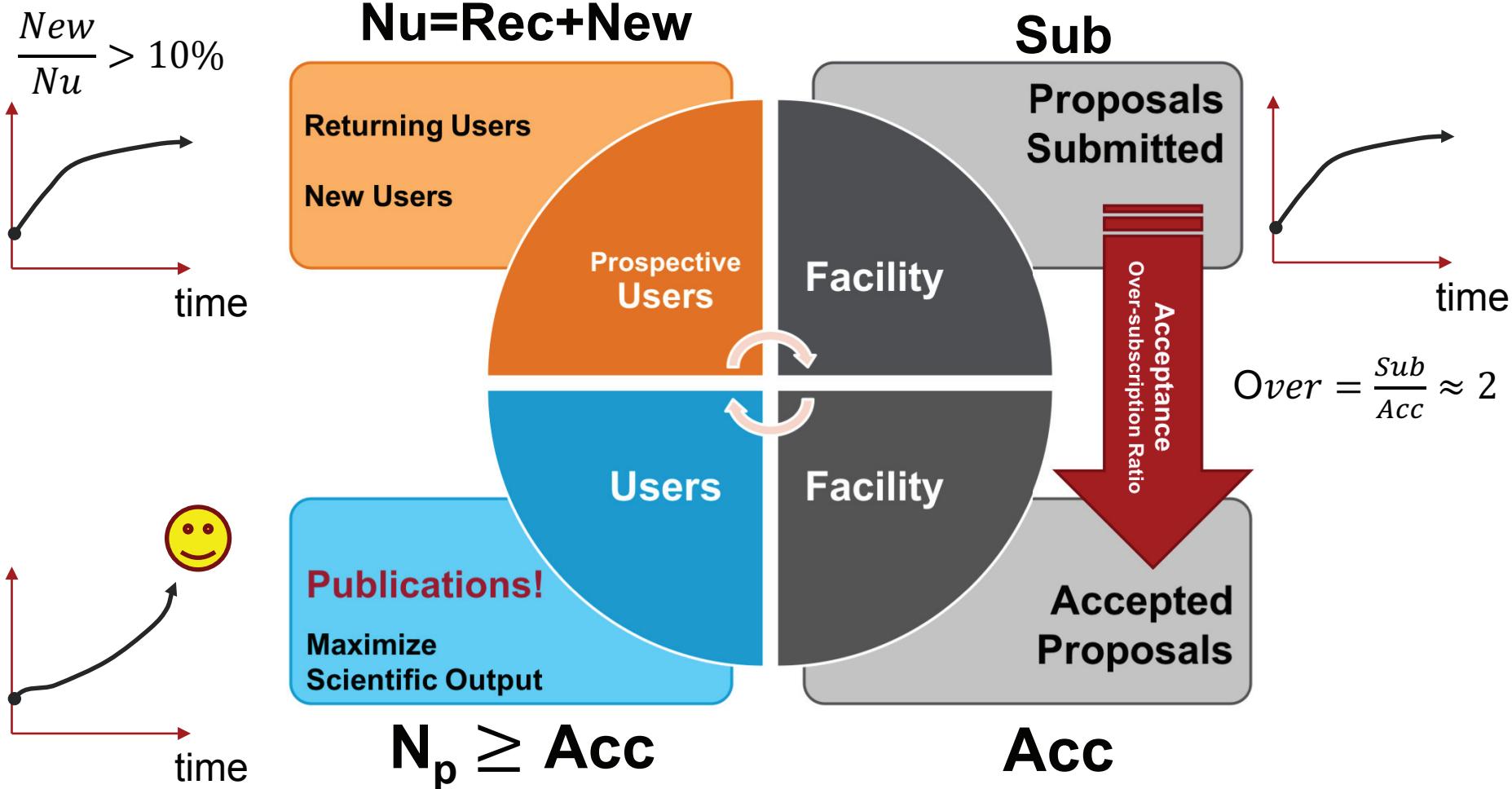
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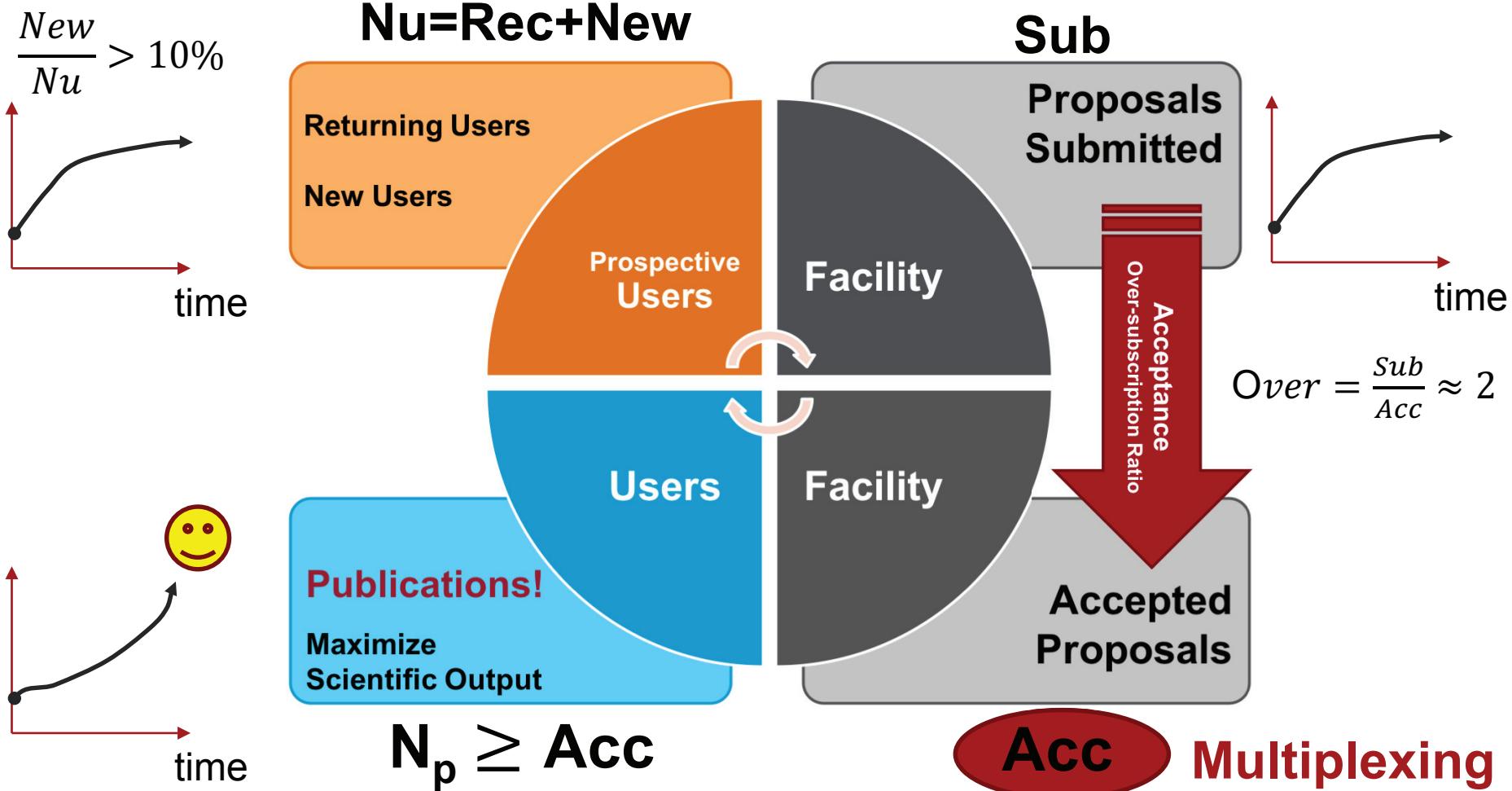
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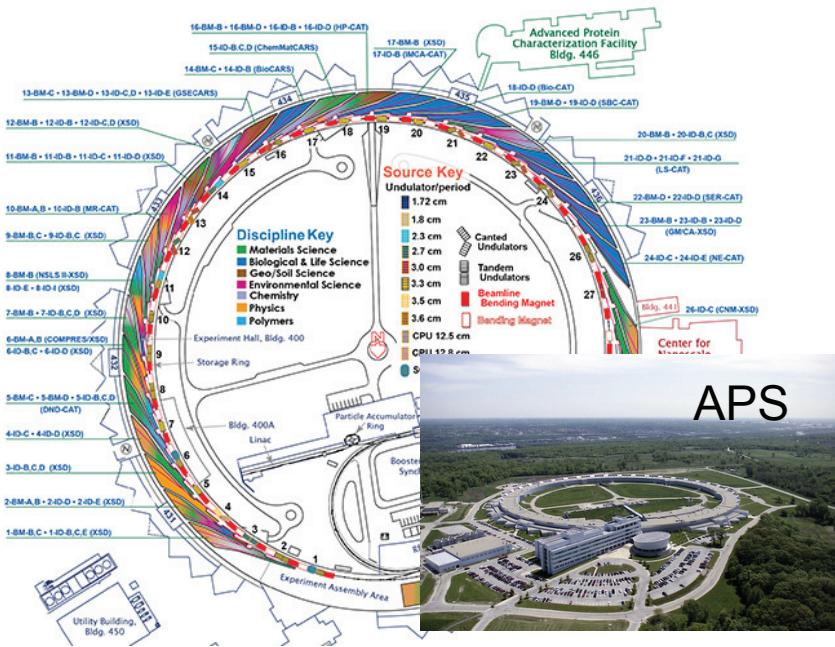
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# Synchrotron Storage Rings vs. FELs

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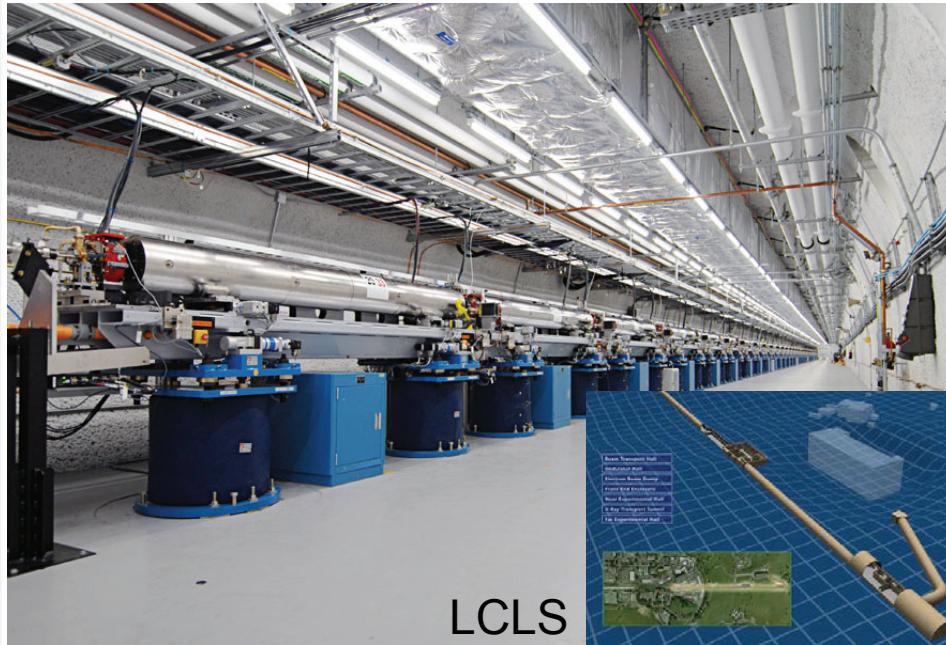
## Storage Rings



## Ultimate e-recycling

- Top-up
- MANY IDs & BMs
- Independent operation
- ~ 1 instrument per Undulator

## FELs



## Single-Path Undulator

- Chaotic
- Very limited number of Undulators
- Possibly several instruments per undulator

# Multiplexing : more than 1 experiment by sharing same linac

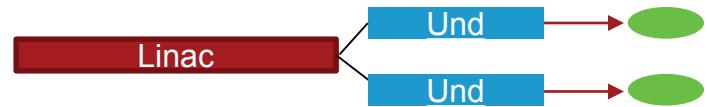
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Performing more than 1 experiment by sharing the same linac

- **Sharing the Electrons**

- Two undulators in parallel
  - e-beam switching with reduced rep-rate in each undulator

Tanaka et al : demonstrated successfully at SACLAC with BL3, BL2



- Two undulators in tandem
  - e-beam recycling

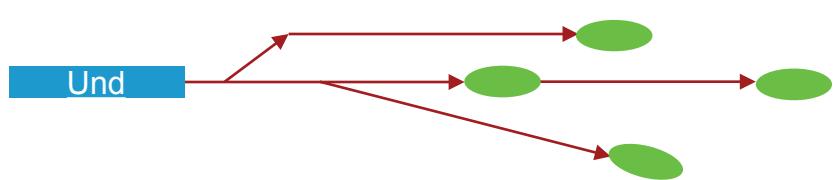
Decking et al : demonstrated at Eu-XFEL with SASE 1 and 3



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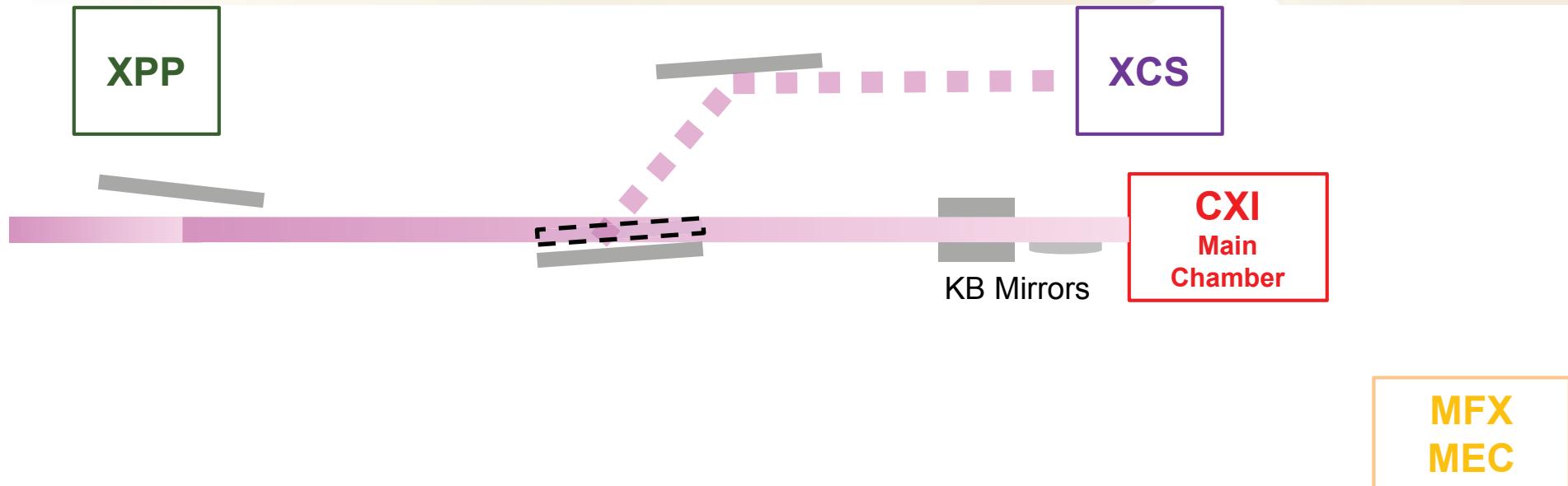
(i.e. more than 1 experiment at a time from a single undulator)

- Intermittent splitting & fast switching
- Recycling the X-rays
- Splitting
  - Spectral Splitting
  - Spatial Splitting



# X-ray Multiplexing (1) : Fast Switching

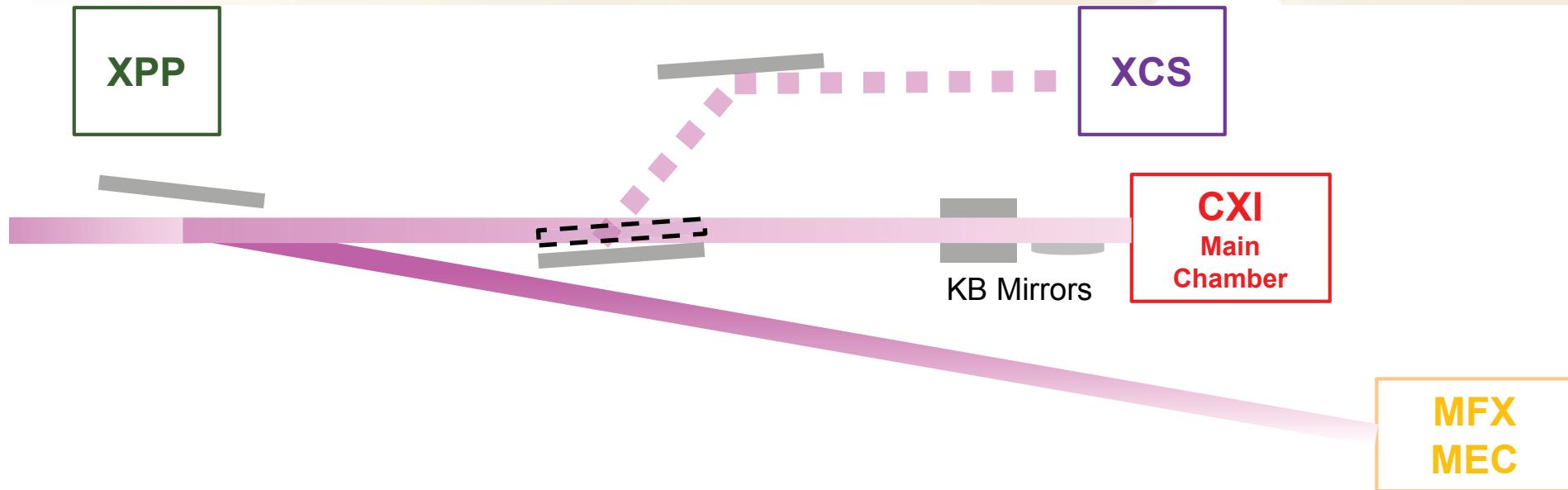
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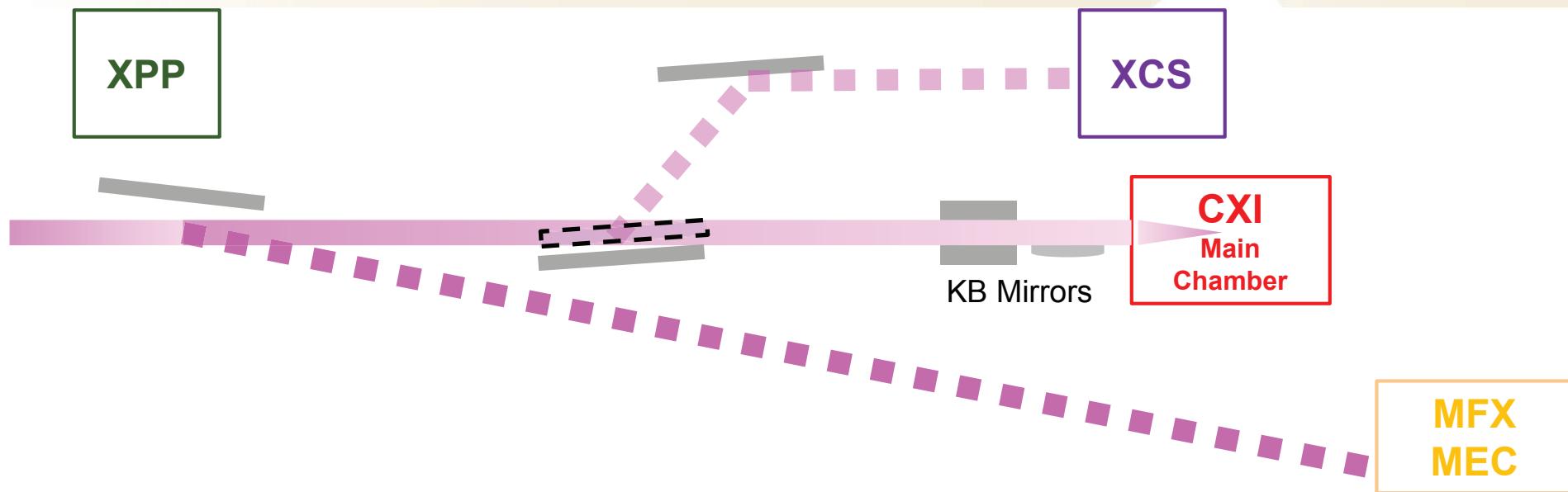
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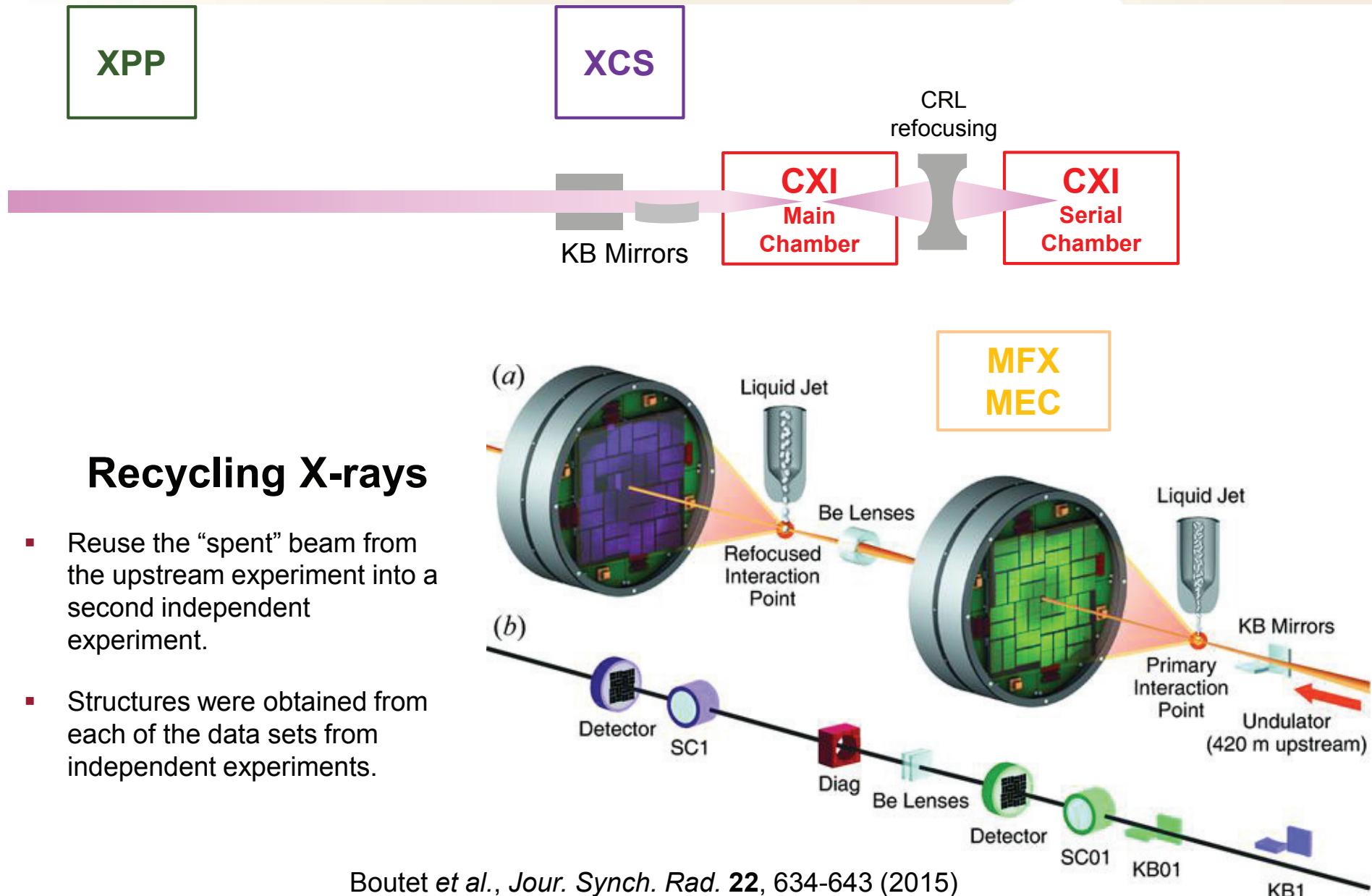
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- **Intermittent Switching : MEC vs CXI or XCS**
  - MEC operation with long pulse laser
  - 1 shot every several minutes

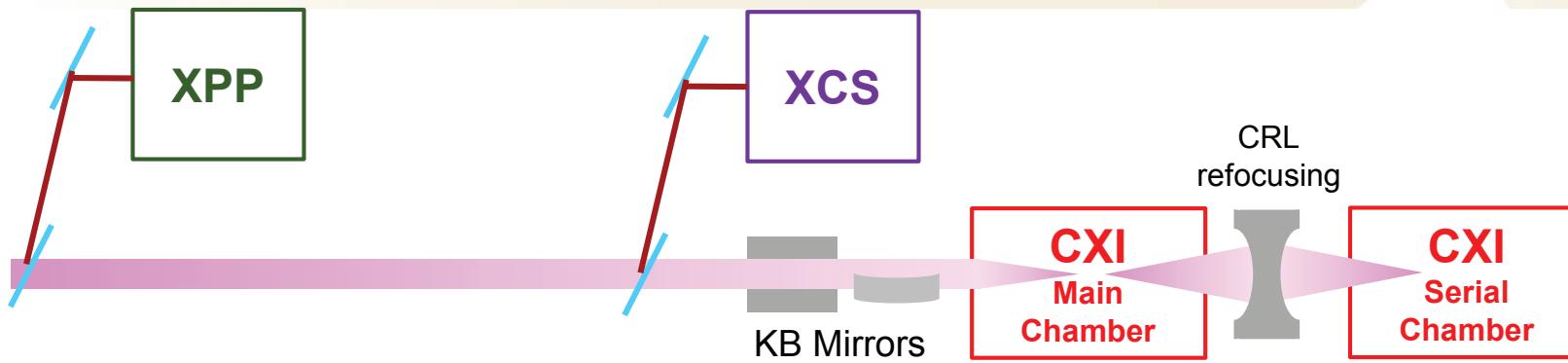
# X-ray Multiplexing (2) : X-ray recycling

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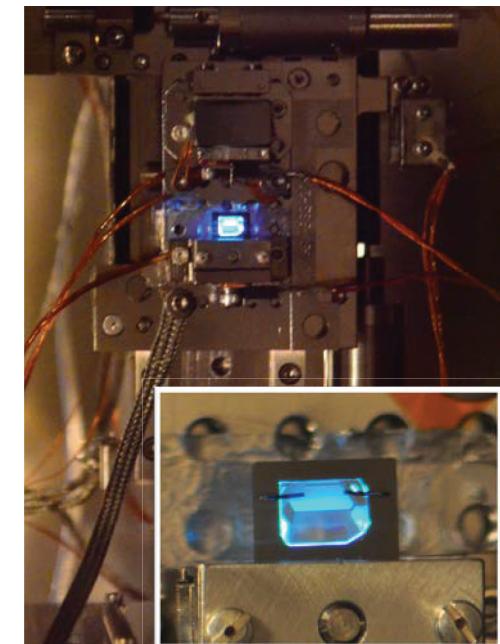
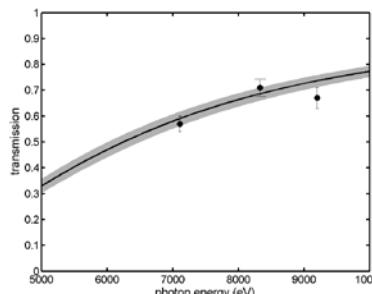
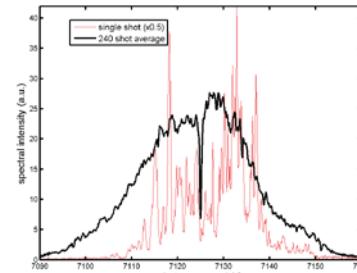
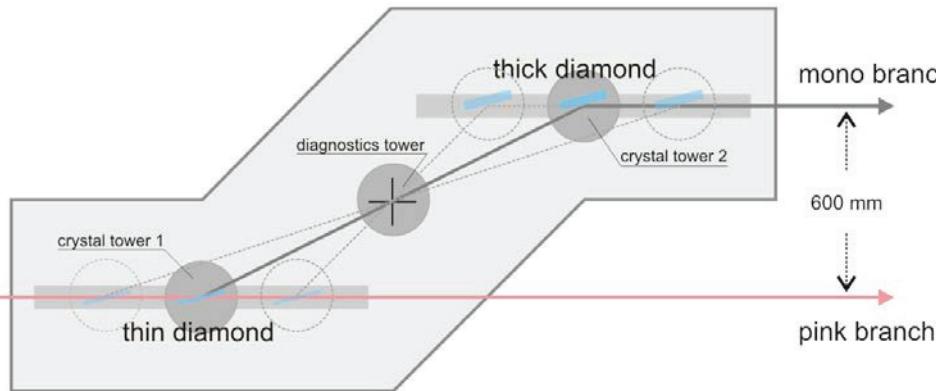


# X-ray Multiplexing (3) : Spectral Splitting

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- **Spectral Splitting**
  - Large Offset diamond monochromators

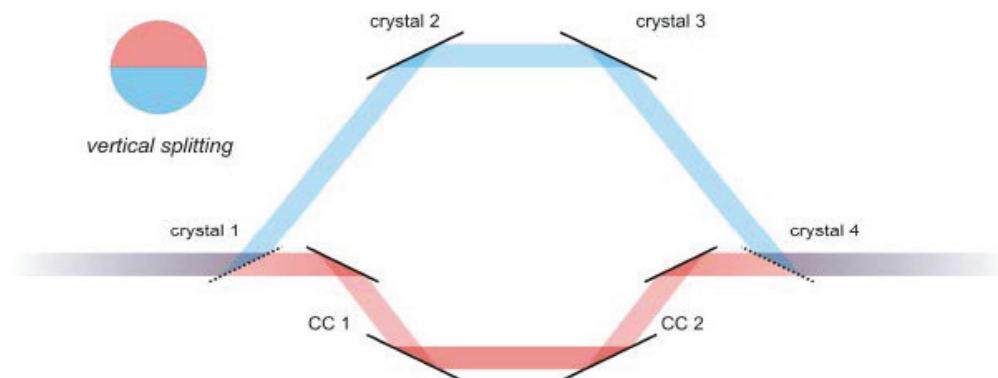
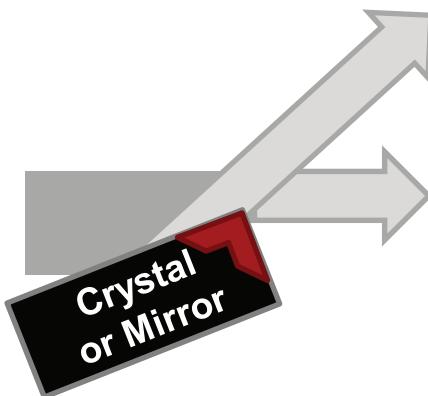


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# X-ray Multiplexing (4) : Spatial Splitting

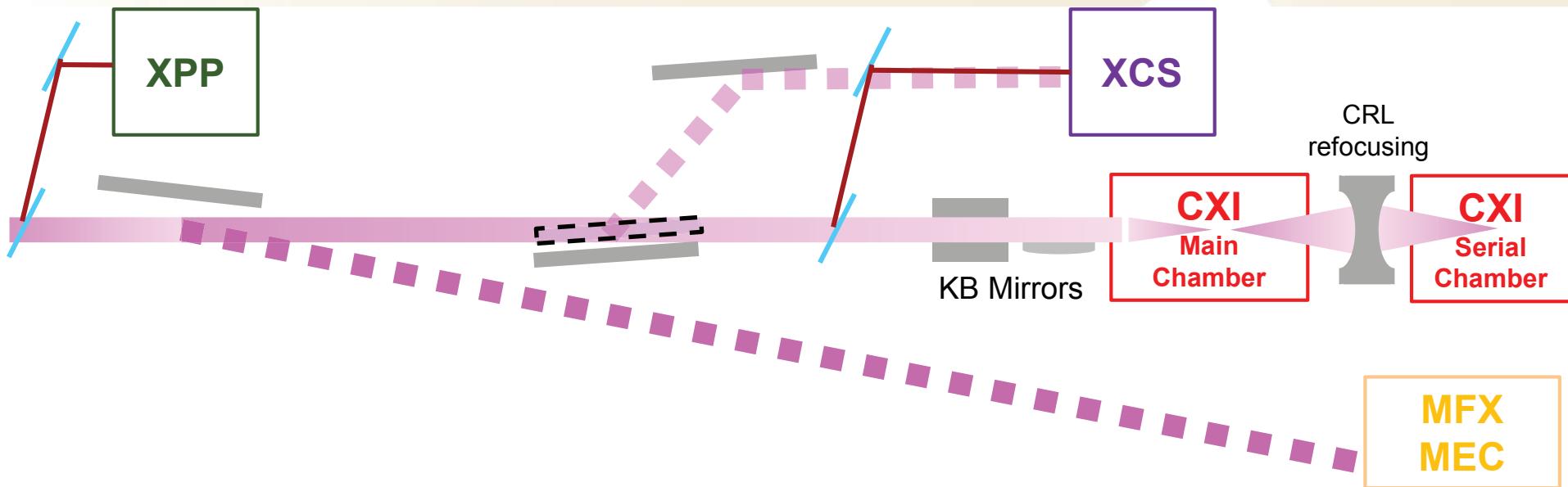
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- Not in use currently at LCLS or elsewhere as multiplexing option
- First used at FLASH with soft X-ray mirrors
  - (Mitzner & Zacharias et al.)
- Concerns about coherent diffraction features from the edge ↗
- Has been successfully used recently in X-ray Optics
  - Pioneered with hard X-rays and crystals with Split and delay at SACL
    - Osaka et al., *Opt. Express.* **21**, 2823 (2013), *Proc SPIE* **921009** (2014)
  - Also with crystals and Split and delay at LCLS
    - Zhu & Sun et al., *Proc SPIE* **10237** (2017)



# X-ray Multiplexing : All multiplexing options for hard X-rays

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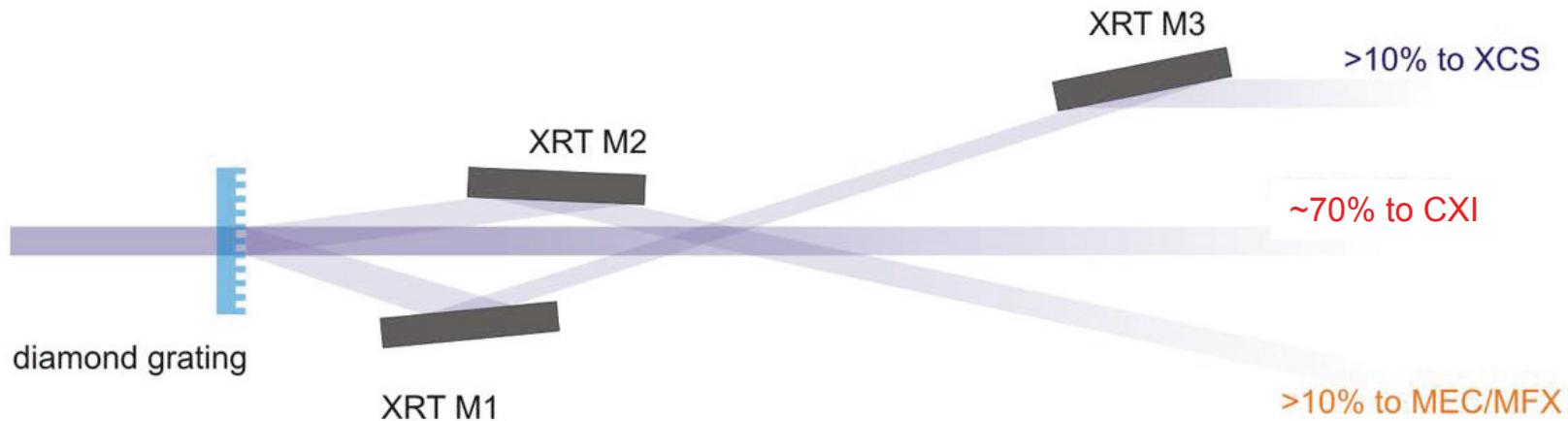


- Ultimately if all experiment agree on a single X-ray energy
  - Monochromatic beam at XPP and XCS
  - Pink beam at
    - Or CXI/XCS tradeoff
    - CXI and CXI refocusing
    - Intermittent at MEC or MFX



# Future : Grating based FEH Multiplexing

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- Increase available beamtime : up to 3 instruments in pink simultaneously
- Installation is straight forward using existing components
  - 10m at the beginning of the XRT is enough to create 2mm separation. Direct beam can go through while 1rst order gets picked up by either M1 or M2.

## Basic Grating Parameters

**Grating material:** diamond (polycrystalline)

**Grating period:** ~600nm

**bar height:** 4-5 micron

**First order diffraction efficiency:** 10%-15%

**Energy range:** >8 keV, optimized for 9.5 keV

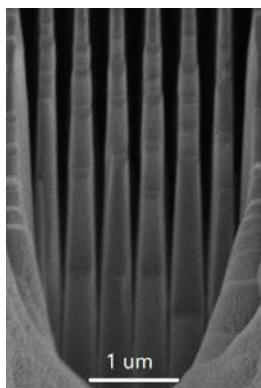
**First order diffraction angle:** ~ 200-300 urad to reach 2-3mm offset at M1/2 mirrors

# Fabrication and modeling of diamond grating beam splitter

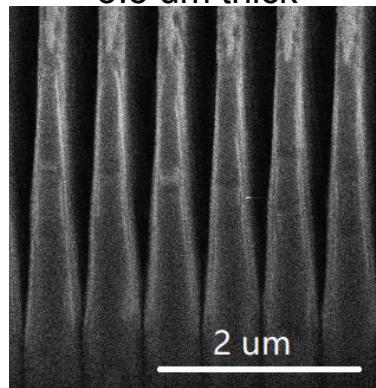
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## Cross-sectional SEM images of fabricated diamond gratings

200 nm half-pitch  
5  $\mu\text{m}$  thick

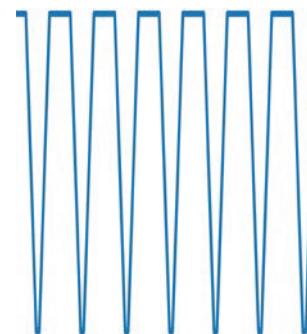


300 nm half-pitch  
3.5  $\mu\text{m}$  thick

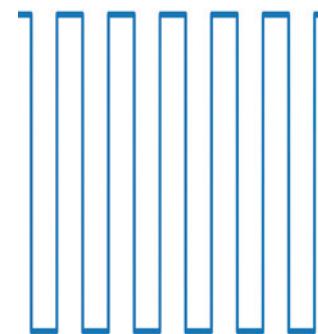


## Tapered as-fabricated profiles alter the diffraction efficiencies

Tapered as-fab profile



Binary profile



## Calculated Performance at 9.5 keV

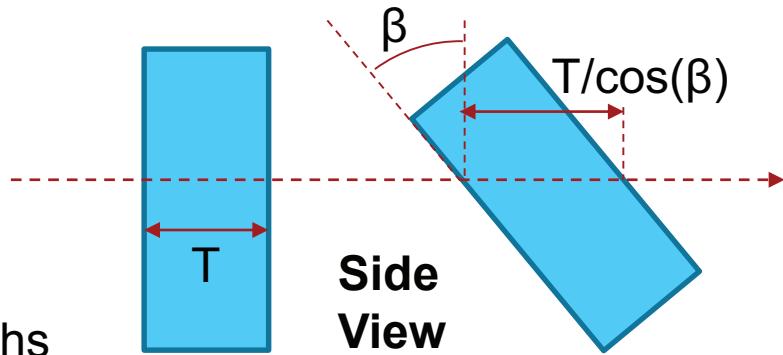
Period, Thickness	Diffraction Angle	Profile	Calculated Diffraction Efficiency	
			0 <sup>th</sup> order	± 1st order
400nm, 5 $\mu\text{m}$	0.33 mrad	tapered as-fab	56.8%	19.50%
		binary	32%	27.60%
600nm, 3.5 $\mu\text{m}$	0.22 mrad	tapered as-fab	77.8%	9.1%
		binary	60.5%	16.10%

“Approximately equal” beam splitting (30%) requires a thickness of about 5 $\mu\text{m}$  for binary profile, and around 7~8  $\mu\text{m}$  for the tapered as-fab profile.

# X-ray gratings : Benefits

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- True splitting :
  - Same spectral property in the direct and 1<sup>st</sup> order branches
  - e.g., SACLAC/SwissFEL/XFEL spectrometer setup using grating as beam sampler for timing & spectral diagnostics ( collaboration with C. David@PSI)
- Intensity ratio is tunable between 1<sup>st</sup> order side branched and 0<sup>th</sup> order transmitted
  - by adjusting the effective height w/o changing grating pitch.
  - But it reduced the acceptance
- Minor modification of the existing beam paths
- Easy to align, relatively cheap
- Compatible with LCLS-II-HE and the planned increase of heatload



# Conclusion

- Success of User Facilities is driven by the support of a strong user community that has reasonable access
- Multiplexing can be obtained by using the electrons or the photons :
  - e-beam : recently demonstrated
  - X-ray : routinely used at LCLS and maturing.
- Combination of both e- and X-ray multiplexing is most probably the most appropriate, as it offers more possibility to multiplex experiments with different photon energies.