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First lasing of a free electron laser in the soft x-ray spectral range with echo enabled harmonic generation

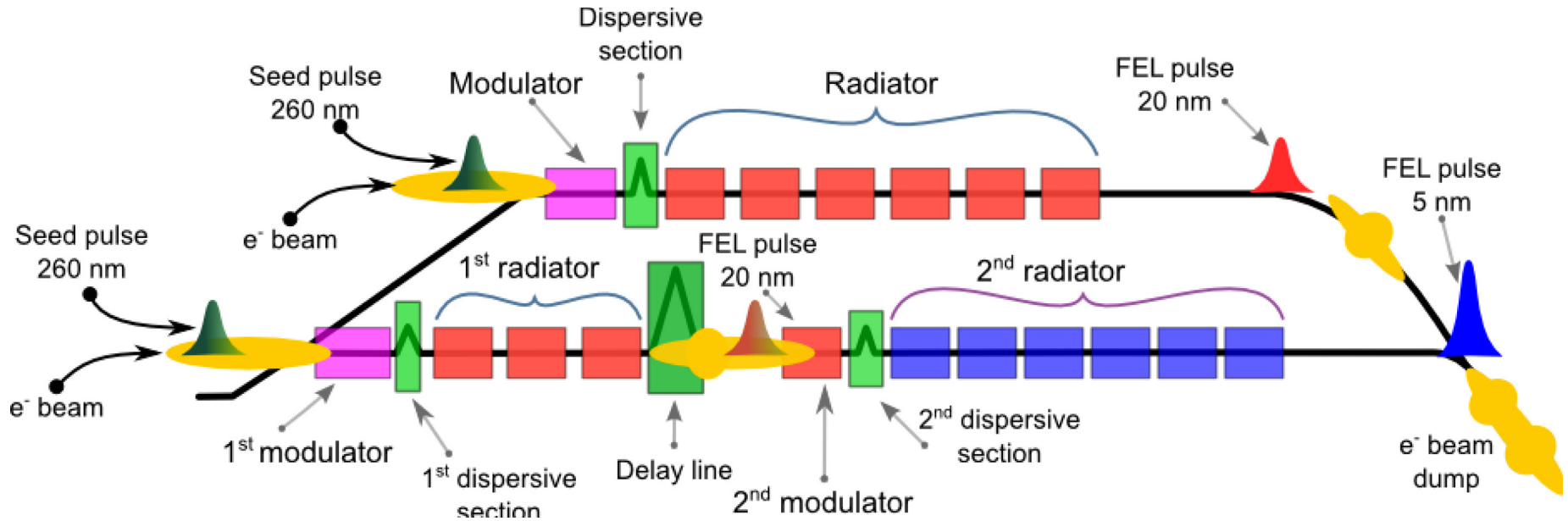
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FERMI FELs: FEL-1 & FEL-2

FEL-1: single stage HGHG seeded by a UV laser, covers the range 100 nm – 20 nm.



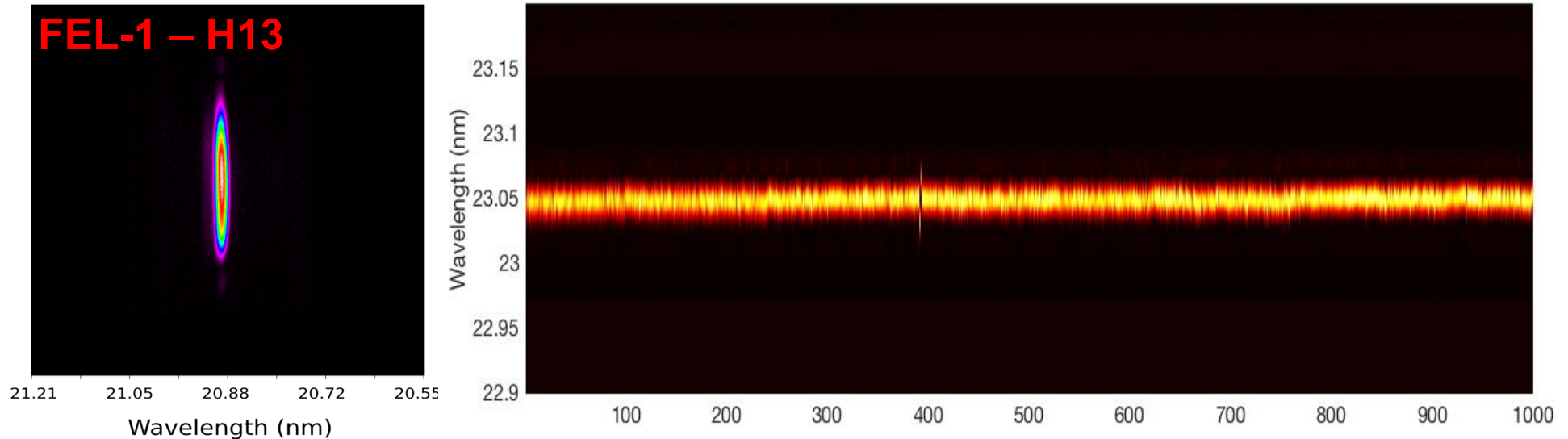
FEL-2: double cascade HGHG to reach the wavelength 20 nm – 4 nm.

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Tuning range	100-20 nm (12-60eV)
Relative bandwidth	1×10^{-3} (FWHM)
Pulse length	<100 fs
Pulse energy	20-100 μ J

FEL-2 (Nat. Photon. 7, 913 (2013))	
Tuning range	20-4 nm (60-300eV)
Relative bandwidth	1×10^{-3} (FWHM)
Pulse length	~50 fs
Pulse energy	10-70 μ J

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High quality and stable spectra has become an important feature of FERMI



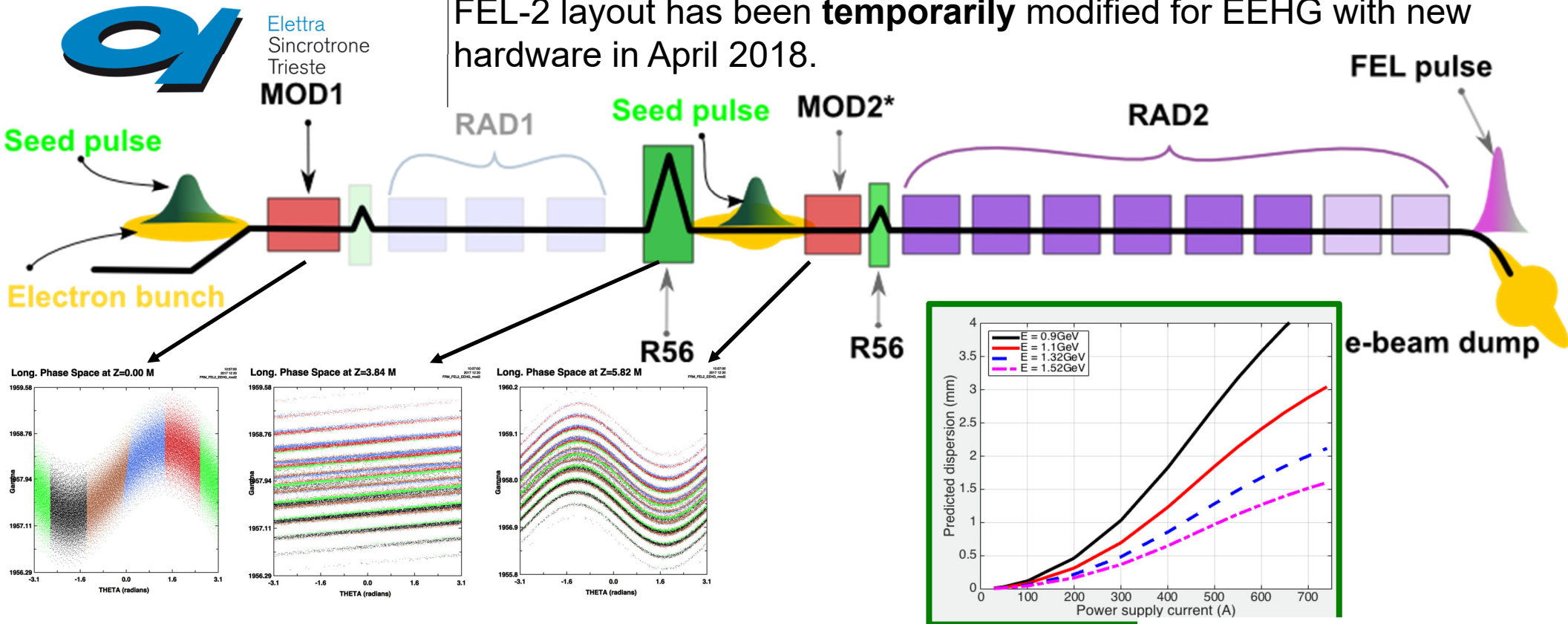
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FEL-2: from HGHG-FB to EEHG

FEL-2 layout has been temporarily modified for EEHG with new hardware in April 2018.



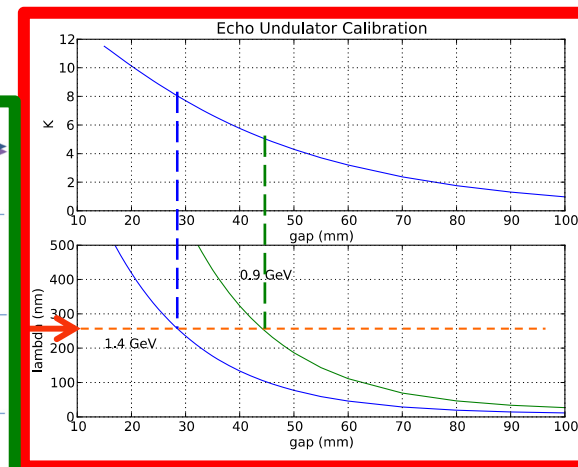
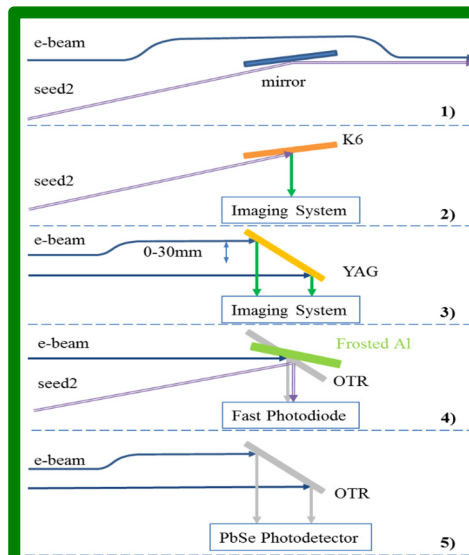
Delay line: new position of magnets and new power supply for 750 A increasing R56.

Second modulator: changed the undulator.

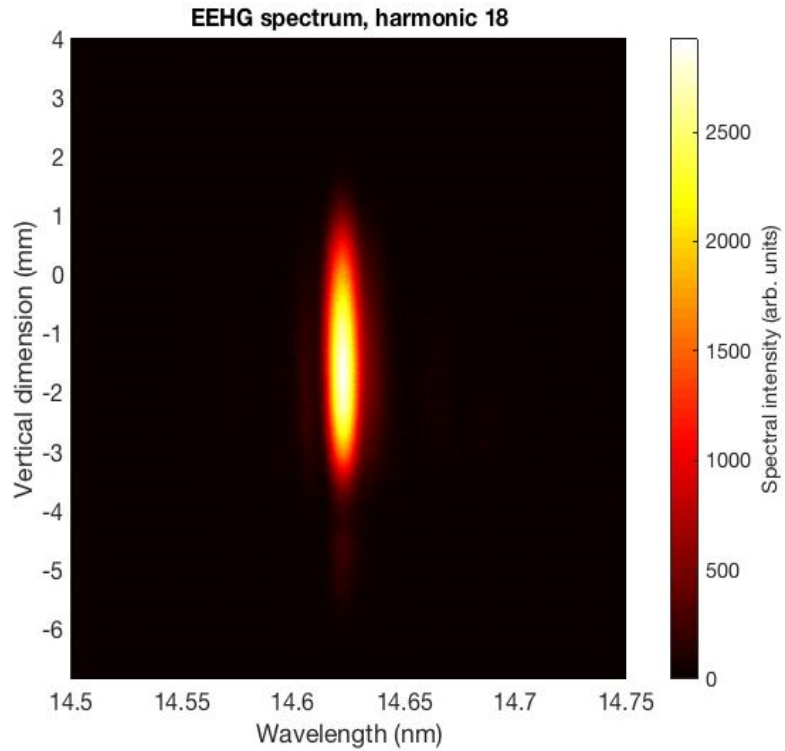
Seed laser: new seed laser for EEHG.

Diagnostic: new optical table for seed and electron diagnostic.

Photon diagnostic: VUV CCD on PRESTO

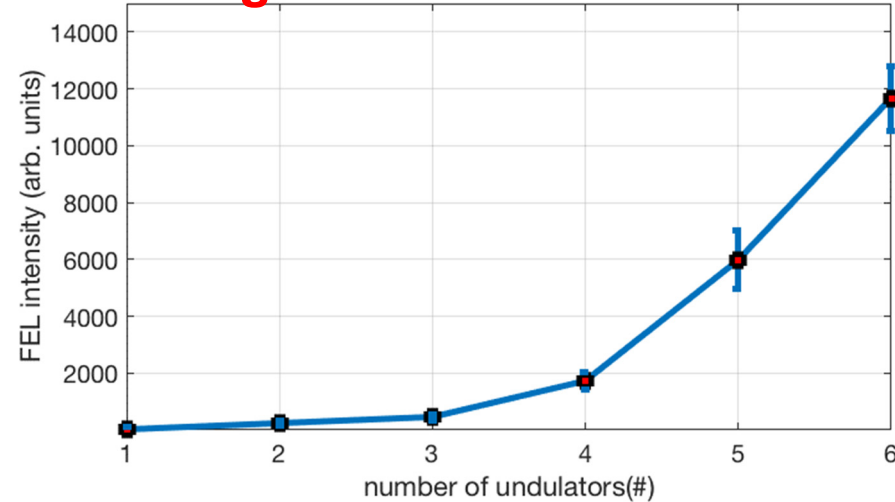


EEHG bouncing and amplification

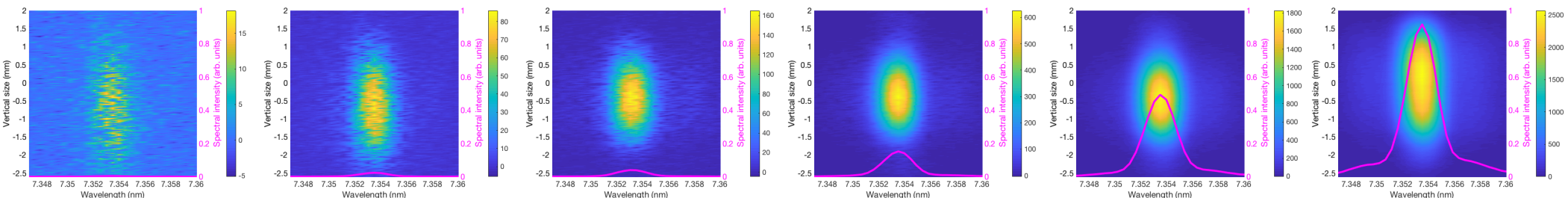


From the very beginning we had a clear indication that EEHG allows generation of very narrow bandwidth FEL pulses.

FEL gain curve at 7 nm



Quality of the beam is preserved allowing the FEL amplification in the final radiator



With a **temporary** setup we **successfully** operated FERMI's FEL-2 in **EEHG** mode.

With the FERMI experiment we have **studied** several aspects of **EEHG**.

More information at:

TUB01, Tuesday at 11:00: P. Rebernik, "*Echo-Enabled Harmonic Generation Lasing of the FERMI FEL in the Soft X-Ray Spectral Region*".

TUP081: M. Danailov, "*Critical Aspects and New Configurations of the FERMI Seed Laser*".

TUP083: S. Spampinati, "*Energy Spread Impact on HGHG and EEHG FEL Pulse Energy*".

TUP082: N.S. Mirian, "*Measurements of the Impact of Seed Laser Chirp on EEHG FEL Spectra*".

THP079: L. Giannessi, "*Status and Perspectives of the FERMI FEL Facility (2019)*".





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