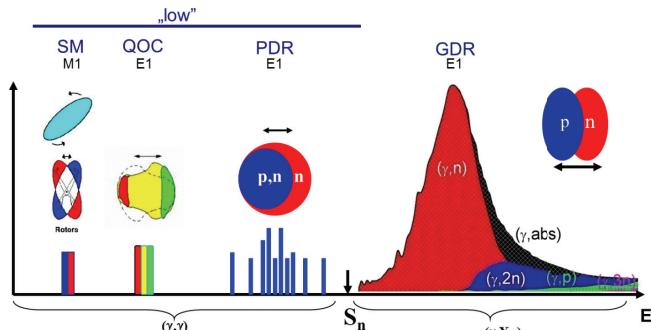


# ERL as High Intensity Mono-Energetic Gamma-Ray Sources

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# Motivation for a Compton based source

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~100eV or 10nm, semiconductor industry, ~kW or  $10^{20}$  photons/sec

~10keV, Compact synchrotron source,  $\sim 10^9$ - $10^{12}$ /shot

~1MeV, Security applications  $\sim 10^{12}$ /s

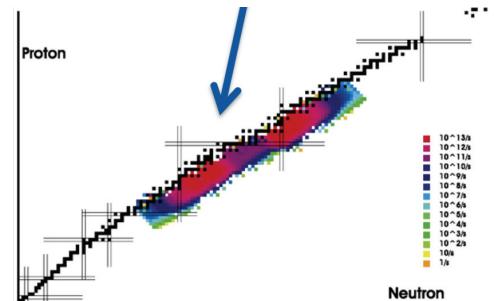
~15MeV, Isotope production, Nuclear physics  $\sim 10^{14-16}$ /s

~30-60 MeV Intense polarized positron source  $\sim 10^{16}$ /s

~150 MeV, Pion production  $\sim 10^{14}$ /s

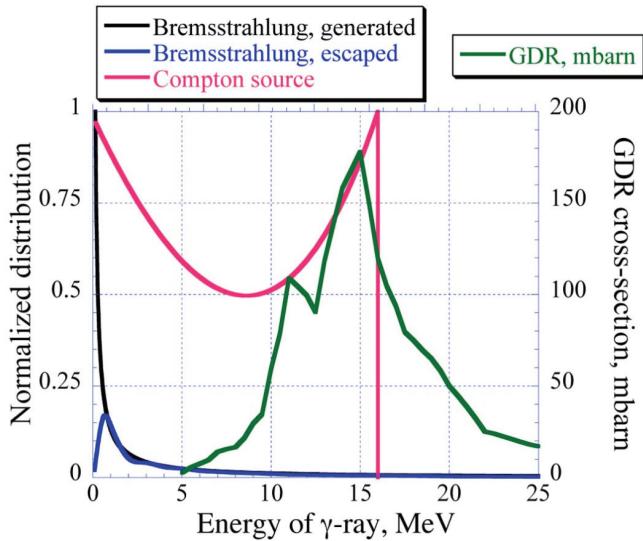
Photofission of  $^{238}\text{U}$  was proposed by W. T. Diamond High energy (Chalk River) in 1999 as an alternative production method for RIB.

Smaller range & depth of products, with emphasis on neutron rich species.



# Energy distribution for resulting gamma beam

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Normalized distribution go gamma photons as a function of their energy for Bremsstrahlung  $\gamma$ -ray source driven by a 45-MeV electron linac (for a 4-mm-thick  $^{238}\text{U}$  target), and Compton  $\gamma$ -ray source with a maximum energy of 16 MeV.

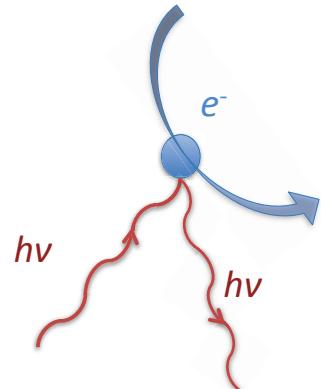
# Thomson Scattering

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Thomson scattering is the **elastic** scattering of electromagnetic radiation by a free charged particle, as described by classical electromagnetism.

The particle kinetic energy and photon frequency are the same before and after the scattering.

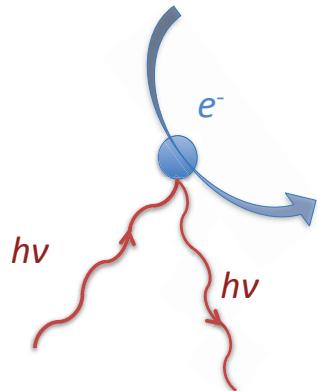
This limit is valid as long as the photon energy is much less than the mass energy of the particle:  
 $h\nu \ll mc^2$ .



# Compton Scattering (electron recoil)

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Compton scattering is an **inelastic** scattering of a photon by a free charged particle, usually an electron. Photon (which may be an X-ray or gamma ray photon) loses energy , called the Compton effect.



**Inverse Compton** scattering results in a charged particle transferring part of its energy to a photon.

## Inverse Compton Scattering

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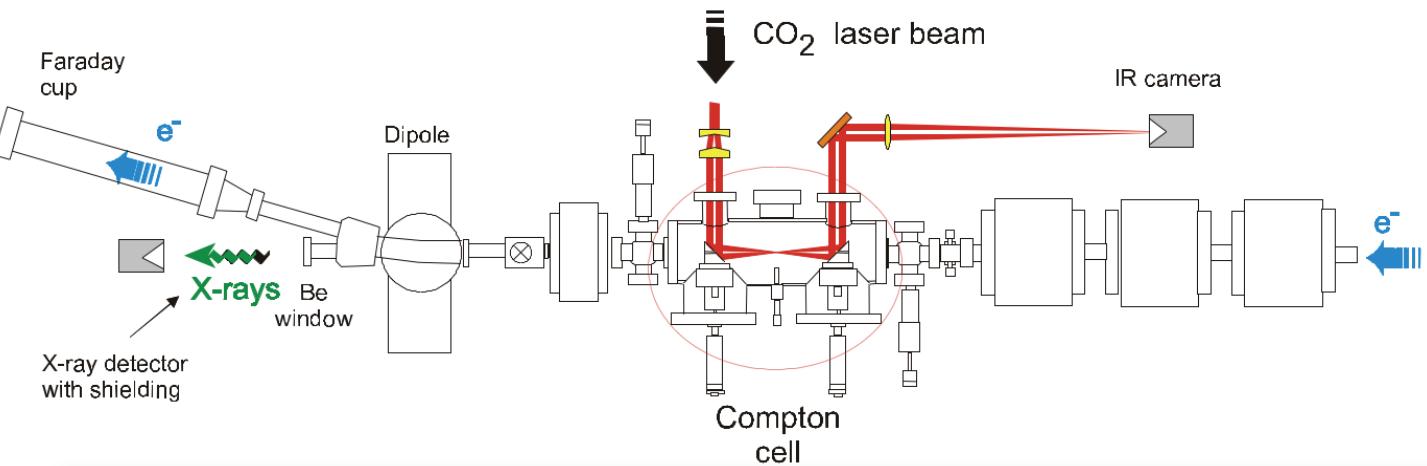
This process converts a low-energy photon to a higher energy photon by a factor of  $4\gamma^2$  by scattering of a relativistic particle.

Energy gain by the photon is the opposite of the energy loss suffered during a Compton scattering event.

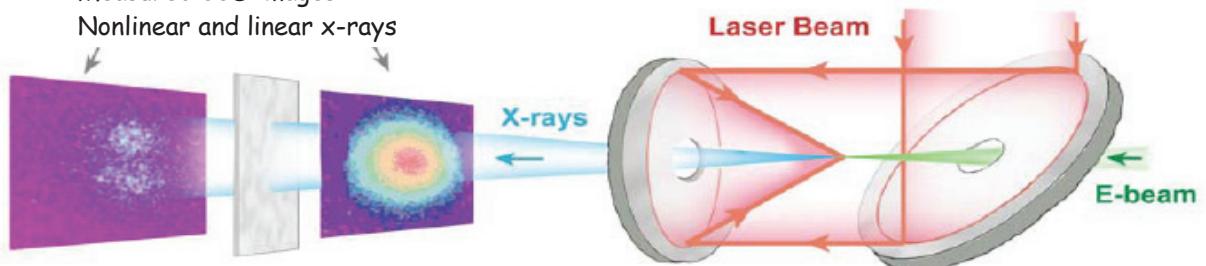
This name is misleading because the process is not the inverse of Compton or Thomson scattering, but is rather ordinary Compton or Thomson scattering viewed in a frame in which the electron is highly relativistic.

# Layout of the ICS at BNL

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Measured CCD images  
Nonlinear and linear x-rays



# Options for the electron beam source

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Efficiency of beam power conversion is proportional to  $\gamma/\lambda$  and can approach ~30% for optimized pulsed linac at 4 GeV (polarized e+ source)

Pulsed S-band:    120Hz, 300 pulses per beam, 3nC, 100 $\mu$ A, 20 MeV-4 GeV  
Beam power 2-400 kW, Power efficiency ~30% (CLIC)

SRF:                LCLS-II : 4GeV, 250pC, 1MHz, 250  $\mu$ A, 1 MW, ~50%  
                      TRIUMF: 50MeV, 1.3GHz, 10mA, 0.5 MW, ~50%

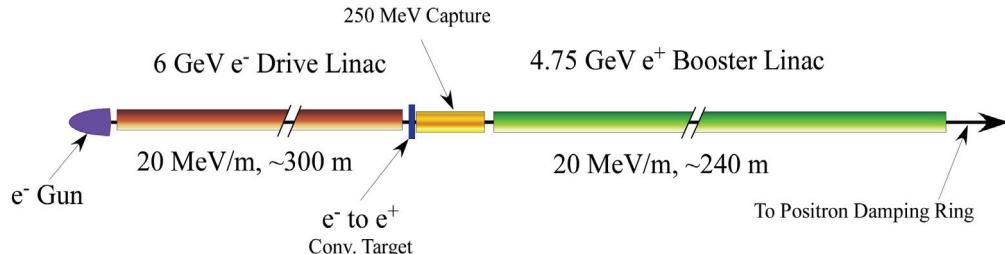
Synchrotron:      ~100MHz, ~1 GeV, 1A (Beam life time limits gamma beam)

ERL:                ~10MHz - 1GHz, ~100mA, 20MeV-10GeV, Up to 1 GW ~95%

# Polarized Positrons Source for ILC

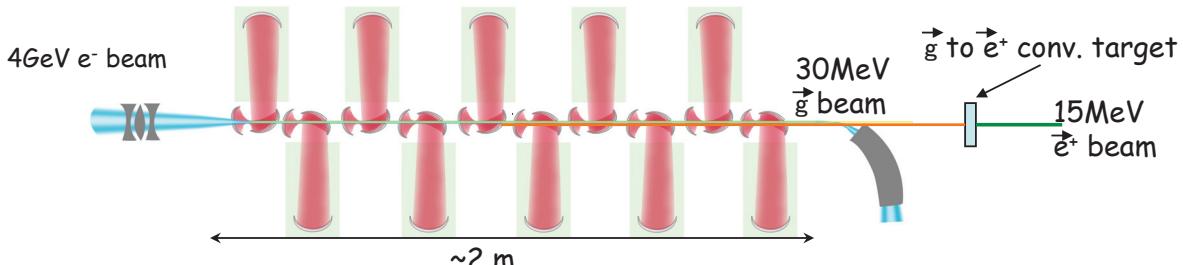
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Conventional Non-Polarized Positrons:



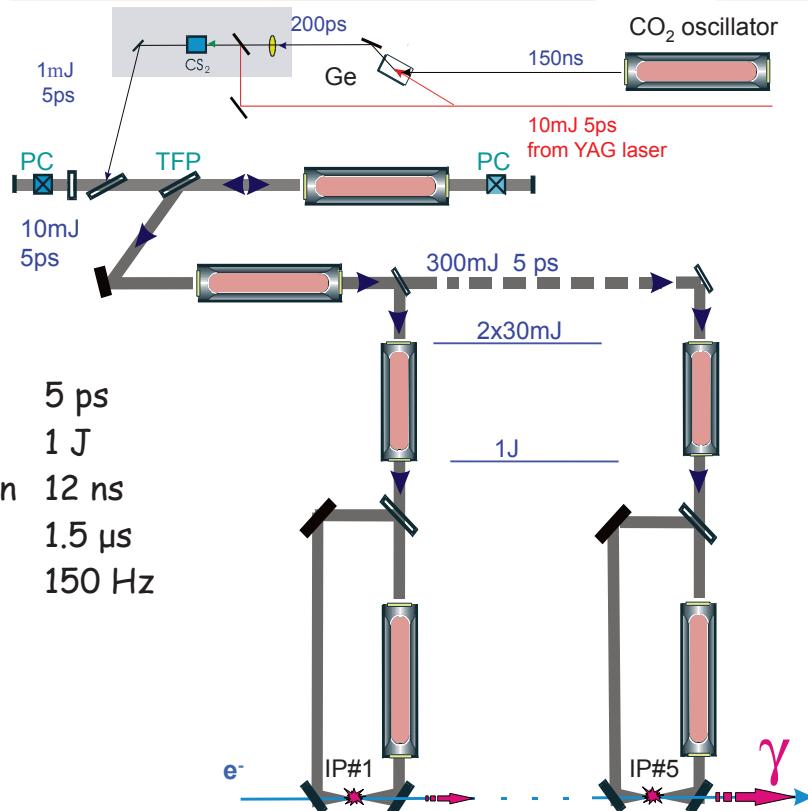
In the proposal

polarized  $\gamma$ -ray beam is generated in the Compton back scattering inside optical cavity of CO<sub>2</sub> laser beam and ~4 GeV e-beam produced by linac. The required intensities of polarized positrons are obtained due to 5 to 10 times increase of the e-beam charge (compared to non polarized case) and 5 to 10 CO<sub>2</sub> laser system IPs.



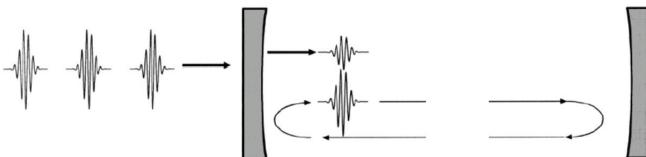
# CO<sub>2</sub> laser system

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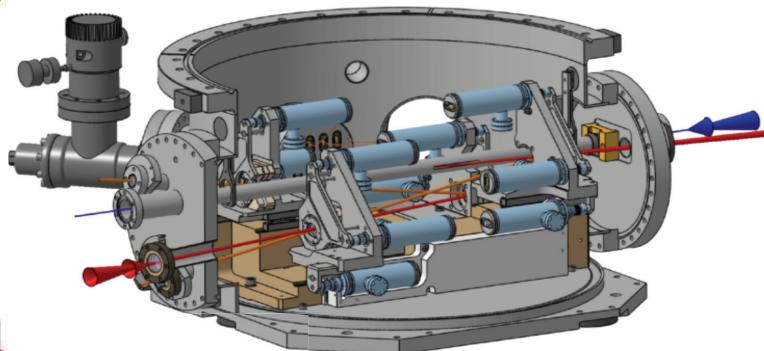
# Laser enhancement cavity

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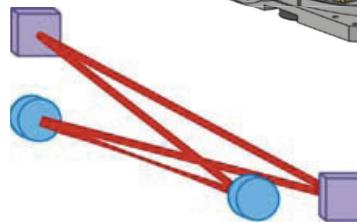


MightyLaser collaboration LAL  
(CNRS and Université de Paris-Sud)

- A 4-mirrors non planar cavity is used to stack laser pulses.
- Length: 1.68m =>  $f=178.5\text{MHz}$  ( $f_{\text{ATF}}/2$ )
- A non-planar geometry ensures that the laser pulses are polarised circularly.



3D (or twisted) 4M ring cavity:  
stable and no astigmatism



Best power during run at ATF2 40kW locked , 0.4-1MW is foreseen

# Conclusion

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- ERL offer unique tool for power-efficient generation of intense beams over wide range of energies.
- Naturally solves “melting” of the conversion target at extremely high power
- Needs further development of laser enhancement cavities