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# Czech Contribution to AHEAD2020: A Summary

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# Main activities

- **Simulations and designs of LE (Lobster Eye) and KB (Kirkpatrick-Baez) Systems**
- **New and alternative simulation/ray tracing methods**
- **Studies of alternative/improved coatings**
- **Improved substrates (Si and float glass)**
- **Design and assembly of new test modules**
- **Both LE as well as KB test modules**
- **based on Multi Foil Technology (glass and Si substrates < 1 mm)**
- **Tests in visible light and in X-rays**

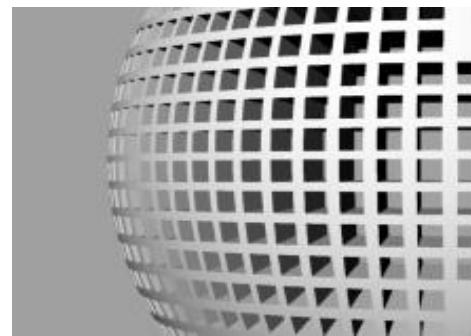
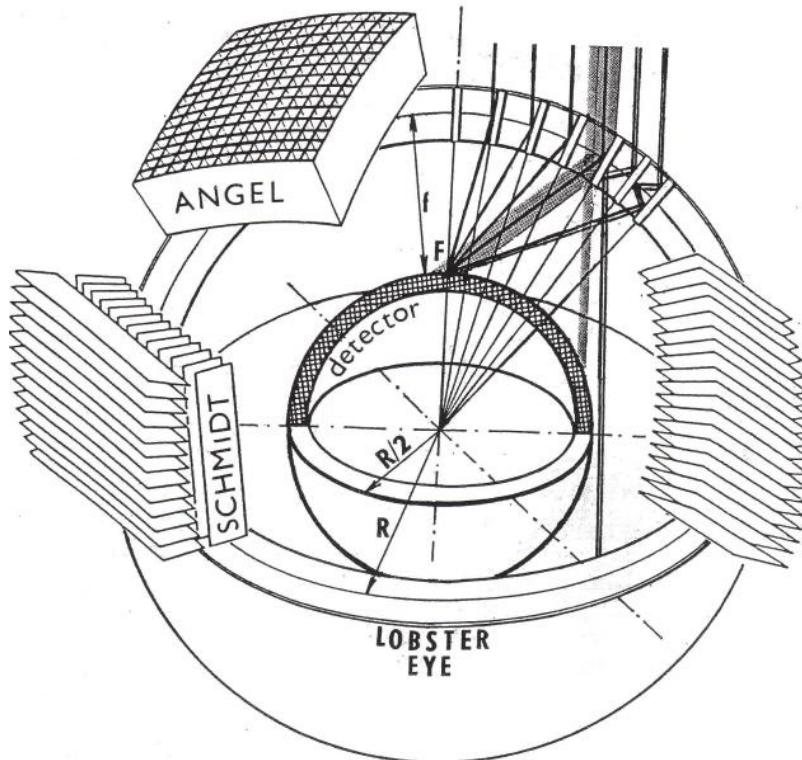


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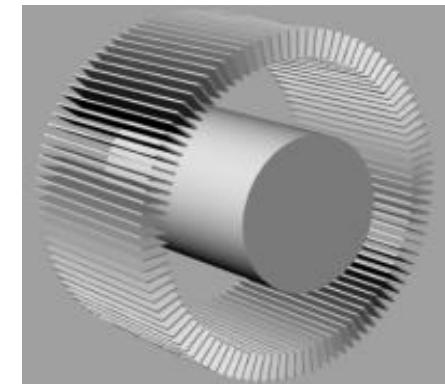


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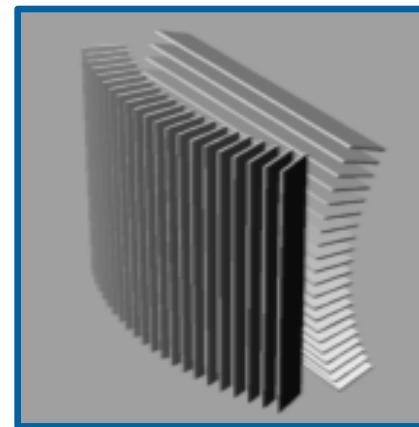
# Lobster Eye (LE) wide FOV optical systems



Angel  
(Polycapillary Optic)



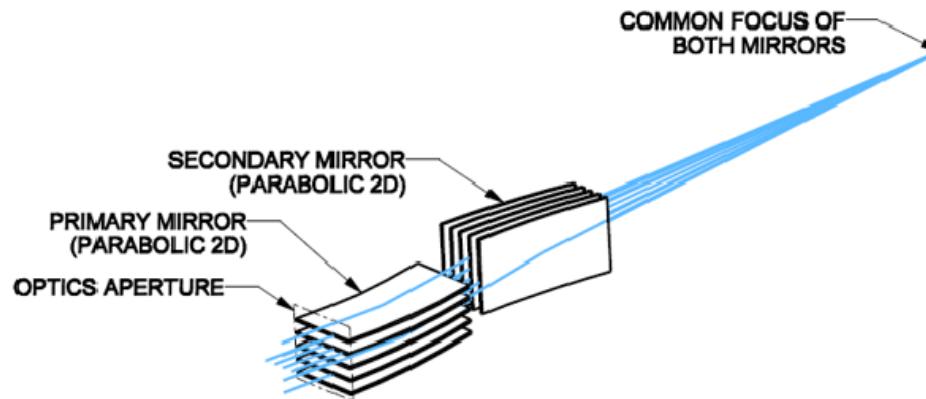
1D Schmidt  
(MFO)



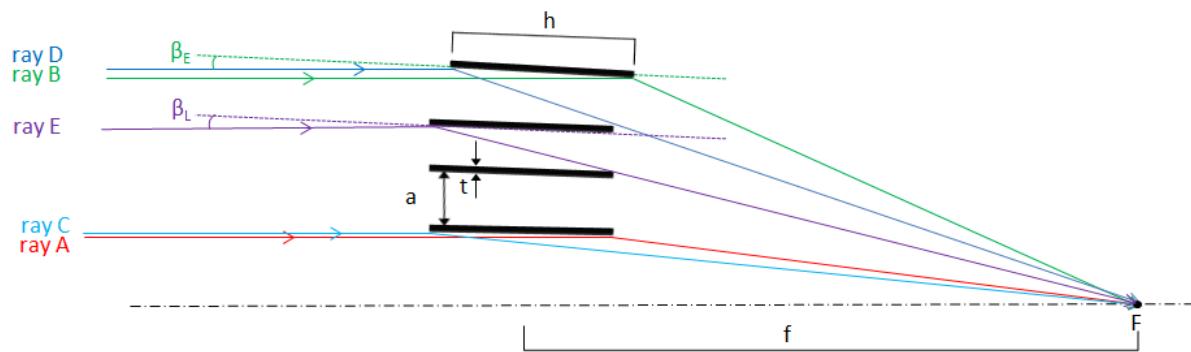
2D Schmidt  
(MFO)

These two  
arrangements  
studied in AHEAD

# Kirkpatrick-Baez (KB) systems



Principle of the X-ray Kirkpatrick-Baez optics in MFO arrangement.



A schematic view of the KB sub-module - all X-rays are reflected to the focal spot F.

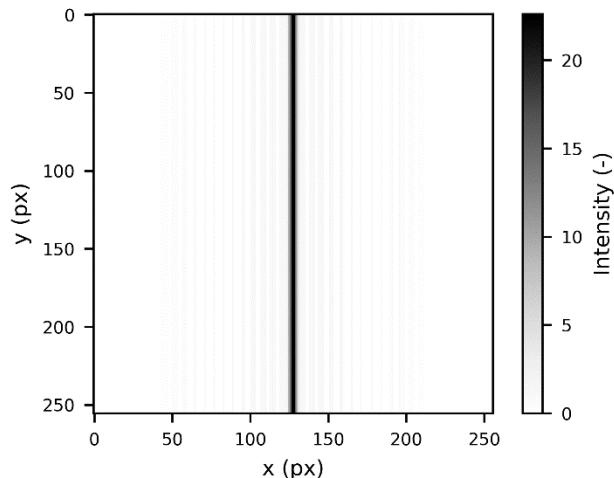


# Alternative Simulations/Ray Tracing methods

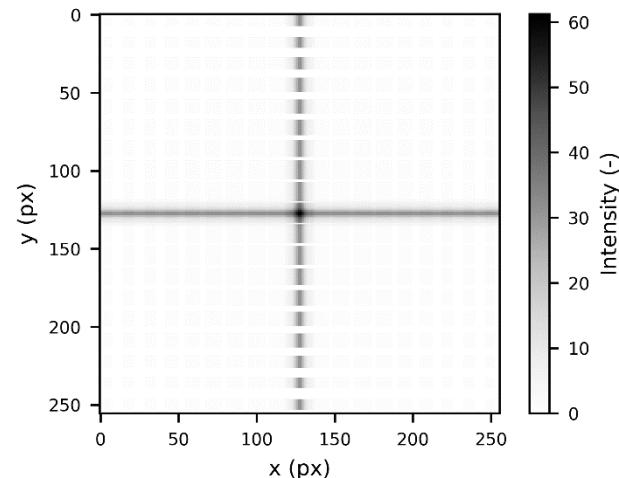
- Alternative simulation and ray tracing methods for LE optics investigated and compared
- Zemax (OpticStudio) based, Matlab (Optometrika toolbox) based, and upgraded Python code PyXLA
- Comparison with LESim Rigaku code
- LOPSIMUL newly developed ray tracing code for multi foil X ray optics
- PyXLA Python X-ray-tracing for Lobster-Eye Simulation

# Example: Images from PyXLA

1D optics for 8keV and centre position  
of point source

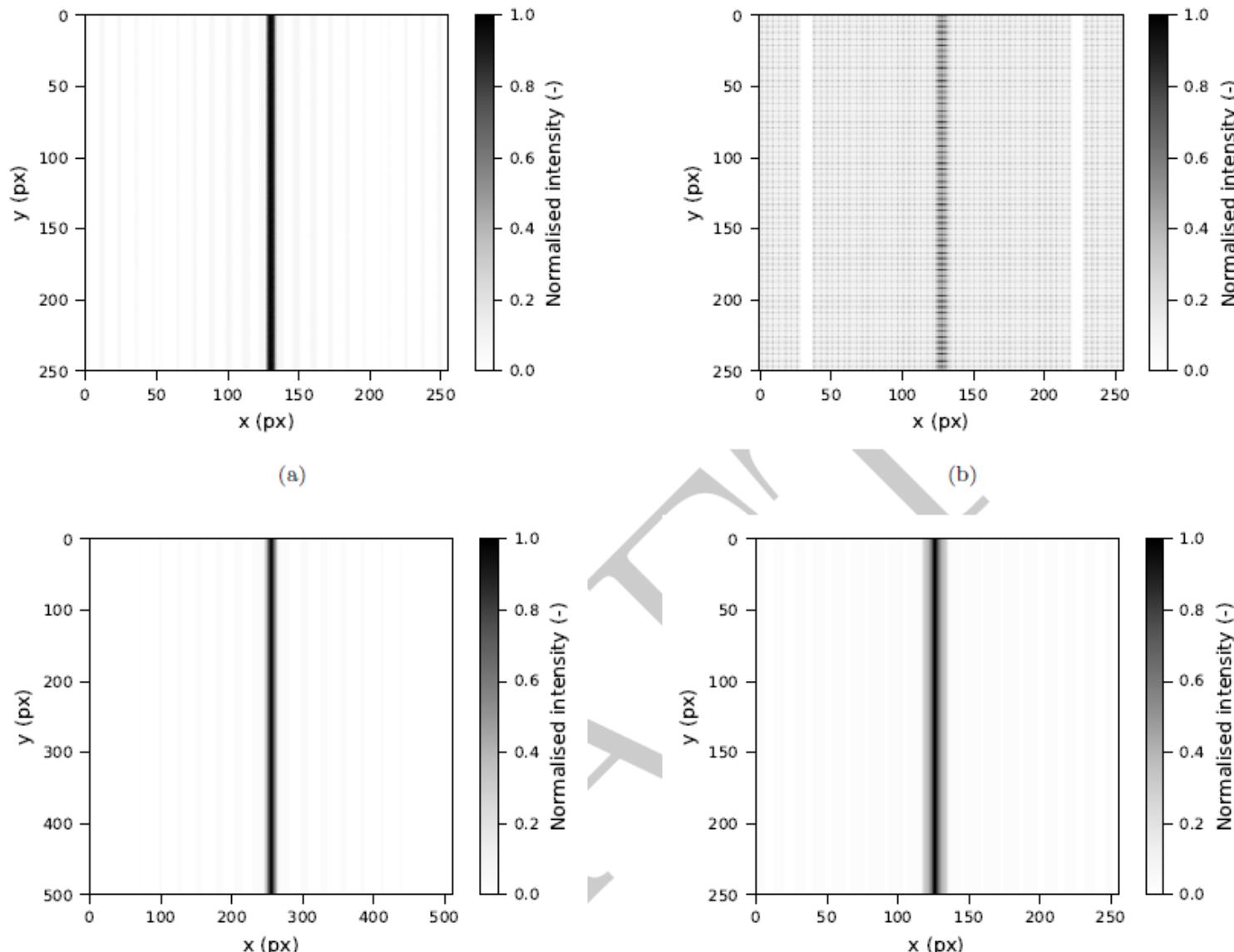


2D optics for 8keV and centre position  
of point source



Arrangement with 1D Lobster-eye optics with Timepix detector  
and incoming rays (green reflected, red direct)





## Comparison of 4 ray tracing methods: OpticStudio, Optometrika, LeSim and Python

Figure 10. Result for geometric approach from OpticStudio software (a), Optometrika toolbox for Matlab (b), LeSim (c) and PyXLA software (d) for Lobster-eye optics which does not take into account the reflectivity dependence on the angle of incidence with parameters given in table 2.

# LE ray tracing by LOPSIM

Material characteristics

Ideal mirror

Constant reflectivity  $Q=0.500000$

Linear  $Q=1.000000$   $k=85.000000$  mrad

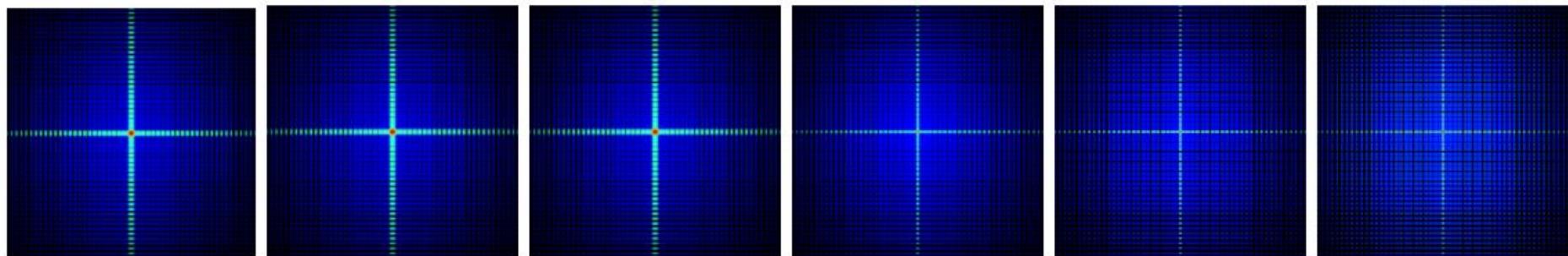
Horiz. trapezoid  $Q=0.900000$   $r=17.000000$  mrad  $k=23.500000$  mrad

Vertical trapezoid  $Q=1.000000$   $k=13.500000$  mrad  $r=42.000000$  mrad

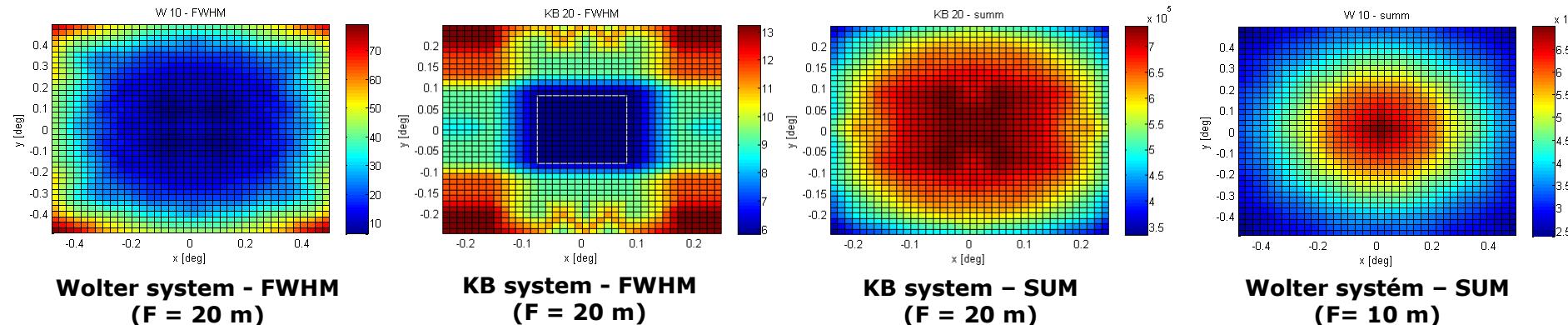
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Ray tracing of LE module 1 to 17 keV by LOPSIM .. Newly developed code by Tichy V. see Tichy V. talk for details



# Comparison K-B vs. Wolter



	D [m]	A [m <sup>2</sup> ]	F [m]	A <sub>eff</sub> [m <sup>2</sup> ]*	A <sub>rel</sub> [%]**	A <sub>eff</sub> [m <sup>2</sup> ]***	A <sub>rel</sub> [%]**
W10	dia 1.8	2.6	10	0.70	26.63	0.66	25.11
W20	dia 3.6	10.9	20	2.83	25.89	2.76	25.26
KB20	1.8 x 1.8	3.3	20	0.93	27.80	0.62	18.49
KB40	3.6 x 3.6	13.9	40	3.11	22.33	2.46	17.66

\* for detector 100 x 100 mm

\*\* proportion of effective area to aperture

\*\*\* for peak (area 4 x 4 mm)

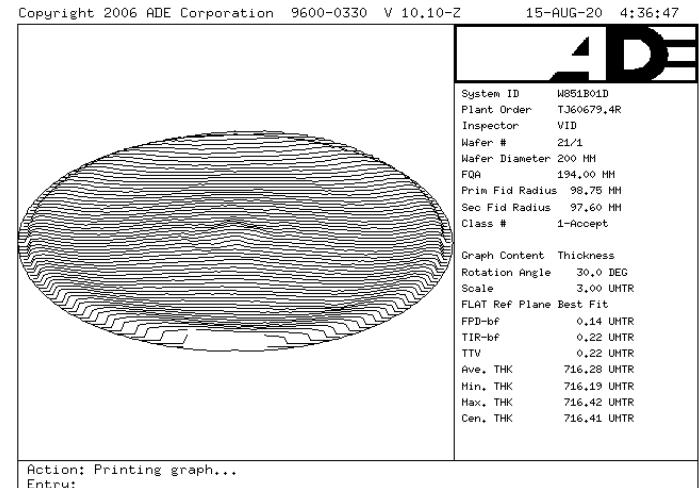
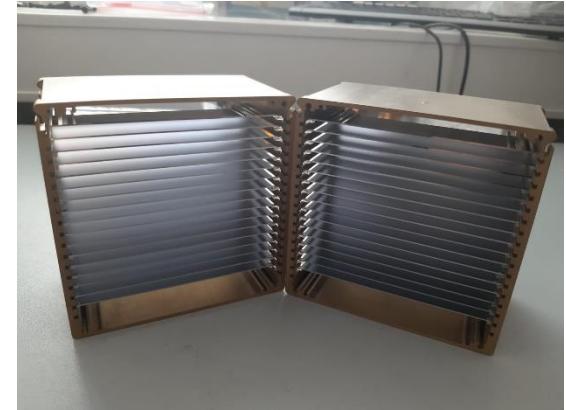
**K-B vs. Wolter: comparable ef area at f = 2f, comparable angular resolution... candidate for tandem sat fligh**

# New Test Modules

- LE optics module f 0,9 m
- LE optics module f 0,4 m
- KB optics double test module with Ir/Au coatings
- Large KB module f 6.5 m
- In preparation: KB with superior angular resolution
- Close collaboration with Rigaku Prague, ON Semiconductor, and Aschaffenburg University

# MFO Multi Foil Optics

- Both LE in Schmidt design as well as KB optics are assembled from large number of thin (< 1 mm) substrates
- Float glass and/or Silicon wafers
- LE – glass or Si polished from both sides
- KB – glass of single side polished Si



# I. LE 2Dmodule with f 0.9 m

	2D optics (F = 890mm)	2D optics (F = 970mm)
Optical aperture	140 x 140 mm	140 x 140 mm
Dimension of foils	148 x 57 x 0.42mm	148 x 57 x 0.42mm
Number of foils	83	83
Spacing	1.26 mm	1.26 mm
Focal length	890 mm (850/930)	970 mm (930/1010)
FOV	4.7 x 4.3 deg	4.3 x 4.0 deg
Angular resolution	5.1 x 4.7 arcmin	4.7 x 4.3 arcmin
Effective area	6.5 cm <sup>2</sup> @ 0.5 keV	6.5 cm <sup>2</sup> @ 0.5 keV
Theoretical Gain	~ 3 500	~ 4 200
Transmission	56%	56%
Energy	0.2 – 10 keV	0.1 – 10 keV
Foil	glass + thin Au layer	glass + thin Au layer
Detector	Quad Timepix (512 x 512 px, 55 µm px, no cooling)	Quad Timepix (512 x 512 px, 55 µm px, no cooling)

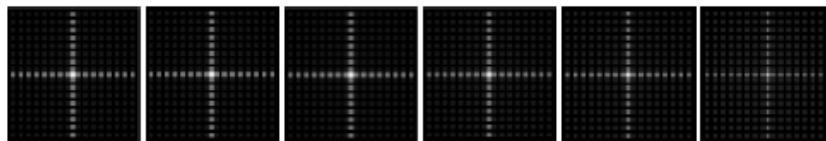
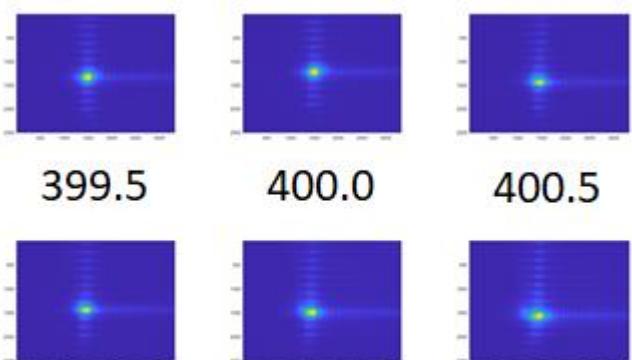
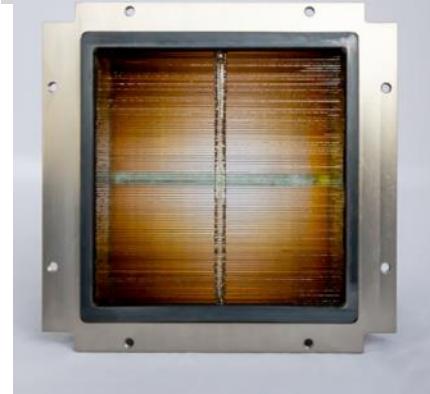
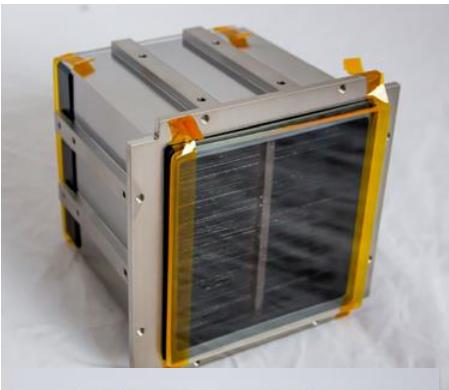
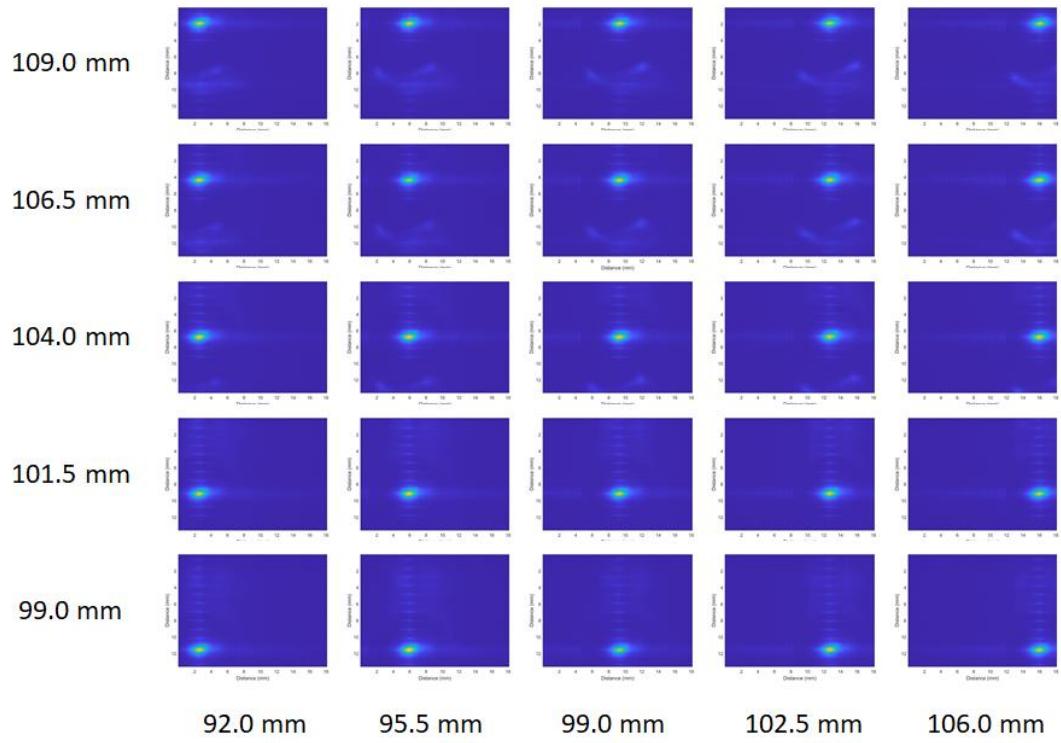


Figure 7. The simulated focal image, 2D arrangement, by ray tracing from 450 eV to 8 keV rays.



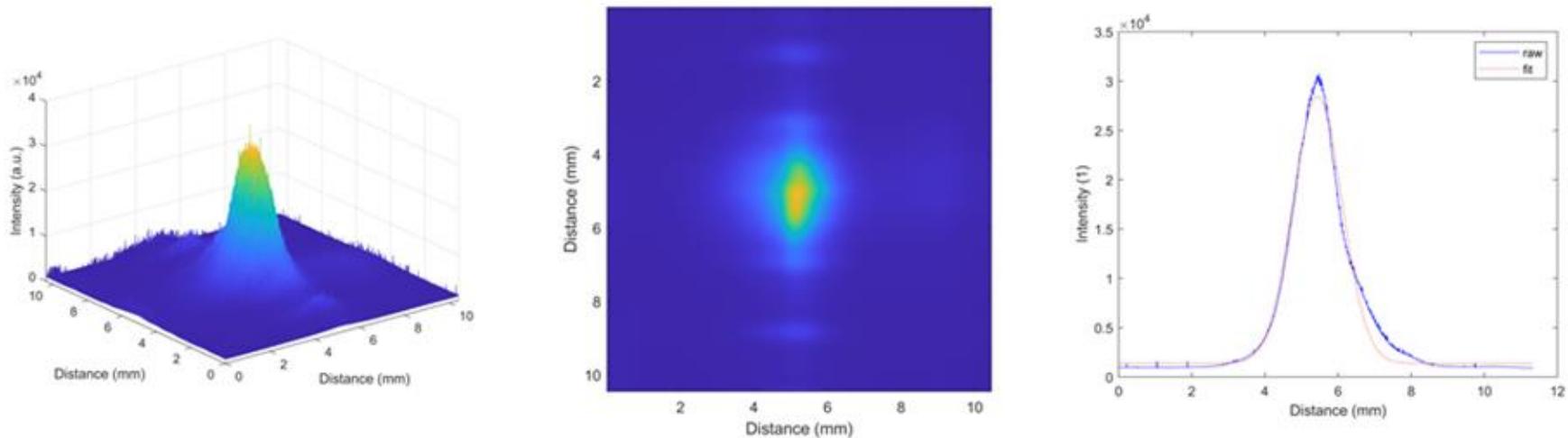
# LE module f 0,4 m

Aperture 69x69 mm, 150 glass foils length of foils 50 mm



*Off axis imaging ( $\pm 1.6$  deg in the horizontal and  $\pm 1.2$  deg in the vertical direction).*

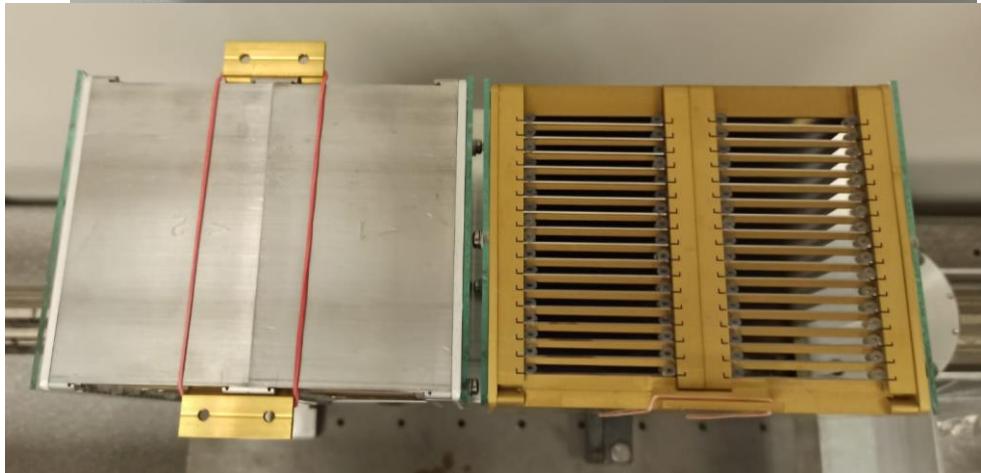
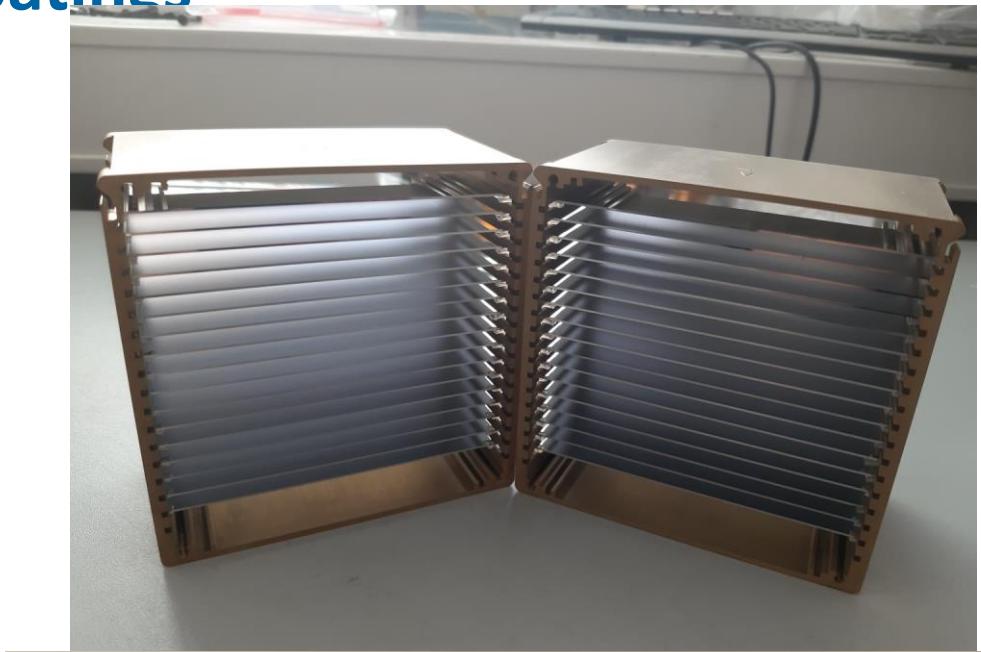
# LE X-ray tests in Prague VZLU



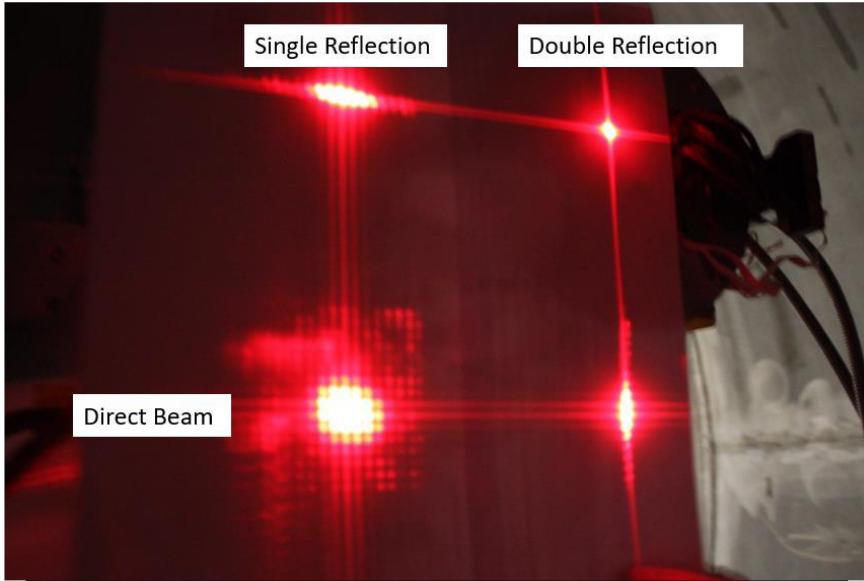
**The best focus (left and middle) and the FWHM estimation (right)**

### III. HORUS – KB test experiment with Si and different coatings

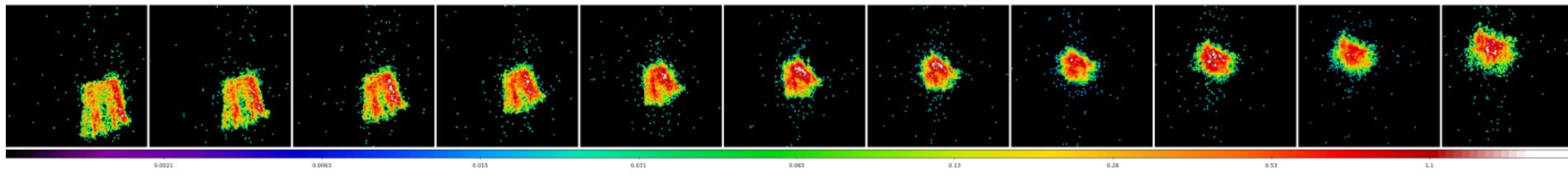
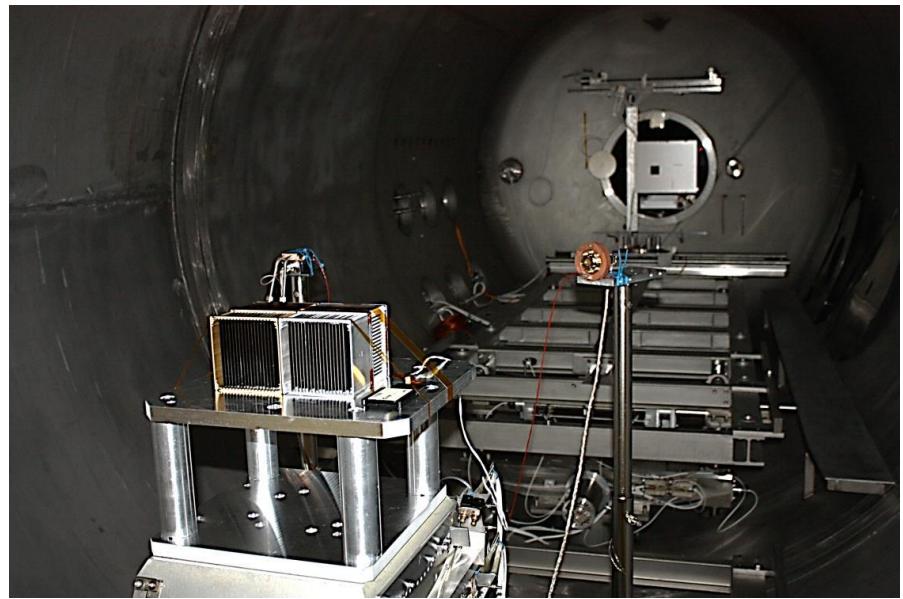
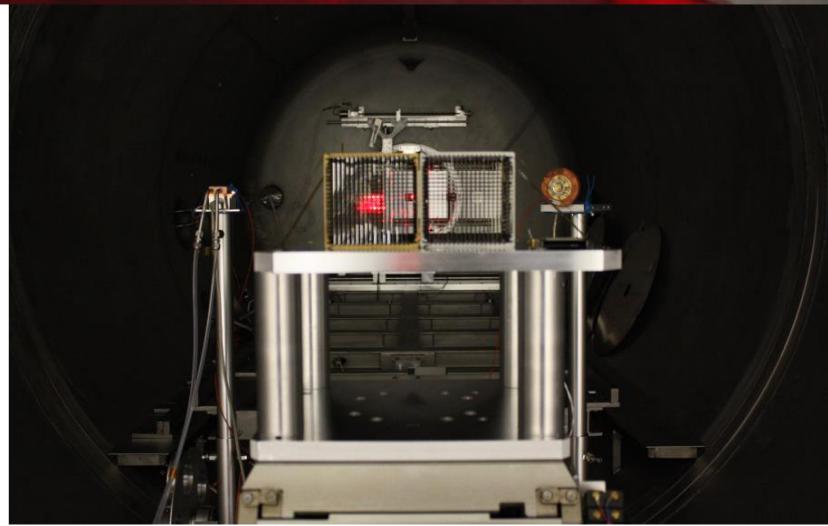
- 4 modules were prepared
  - 2 modules with Au surface
  - 2 modules with Ir surface
  - each module 17 silicon foils
- X-ray tests in preparation
- Goal
  - experimentally compare different reflective layers
  - 4 x 17 Si wafers 0,625 mm thick aperture 85 x 65 mm f 2 m



Collaborative effort CTU in Prague, Rigaku  
Prague, and Aschaffenburg University  
Student experiment/PhD of Veronika  
Stehlikova.

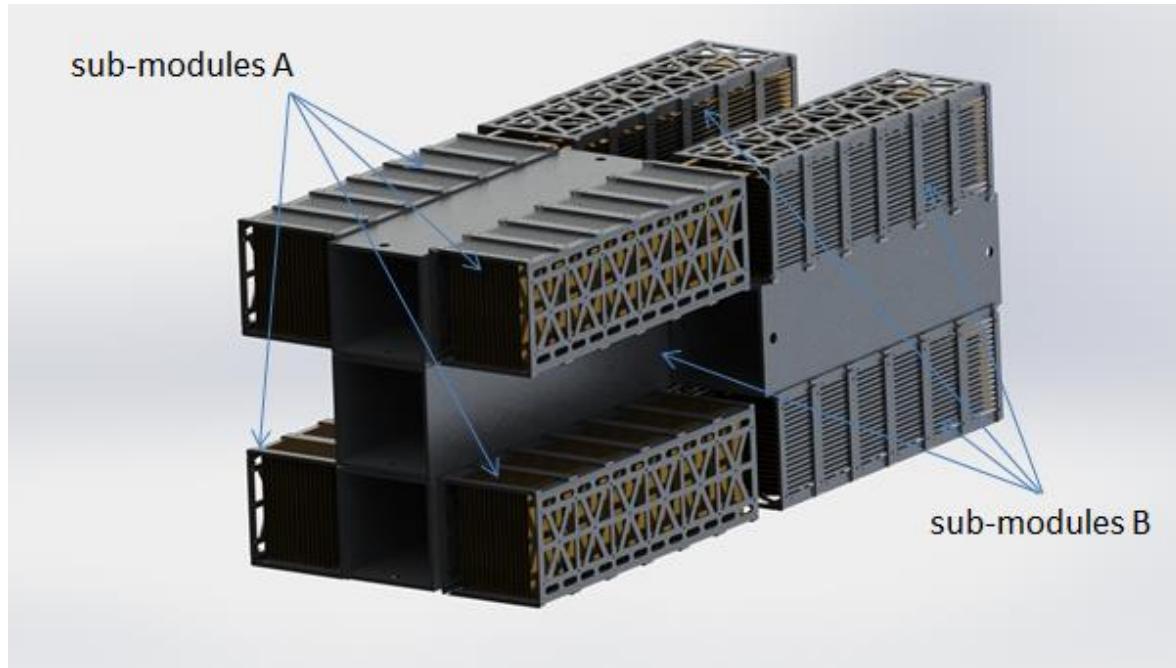


# HORUS at PANTER



# Design of large KB system

The KB optics for the large telescope was designed with focal length 6 155 mm (due to Panter test facility).

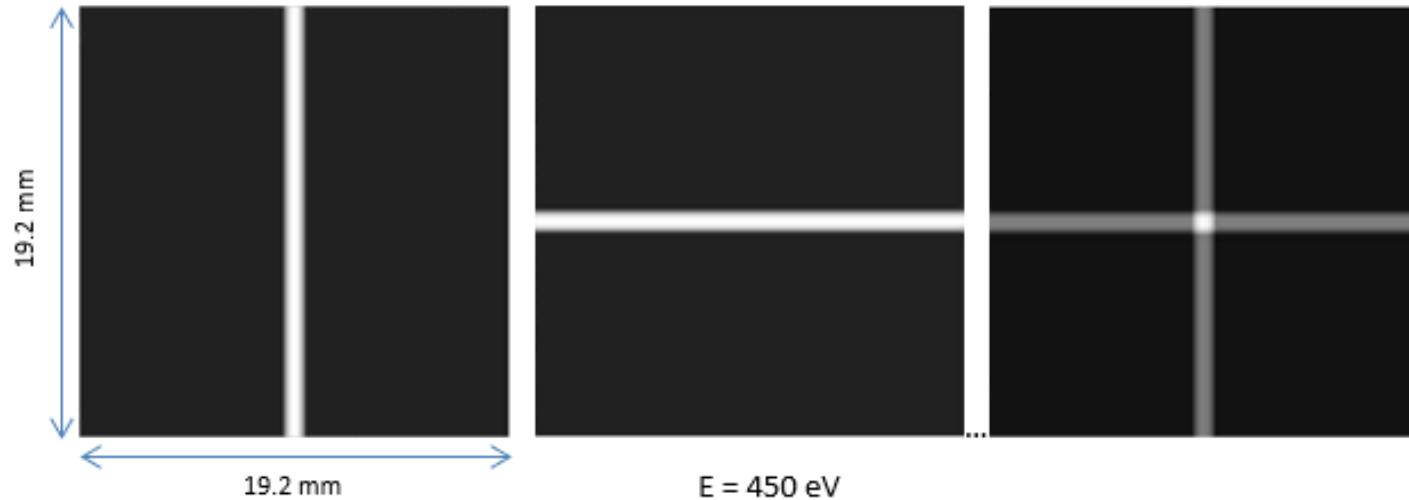


Drawing of the X-ray KB optical system for large X-ray telescope. The scheme shows that this KB system consists from 4 sub- modules A and 4 sub-modules B (design and courtesy of Rigaku Prague) .

# Large KB system with 380 Si substrates

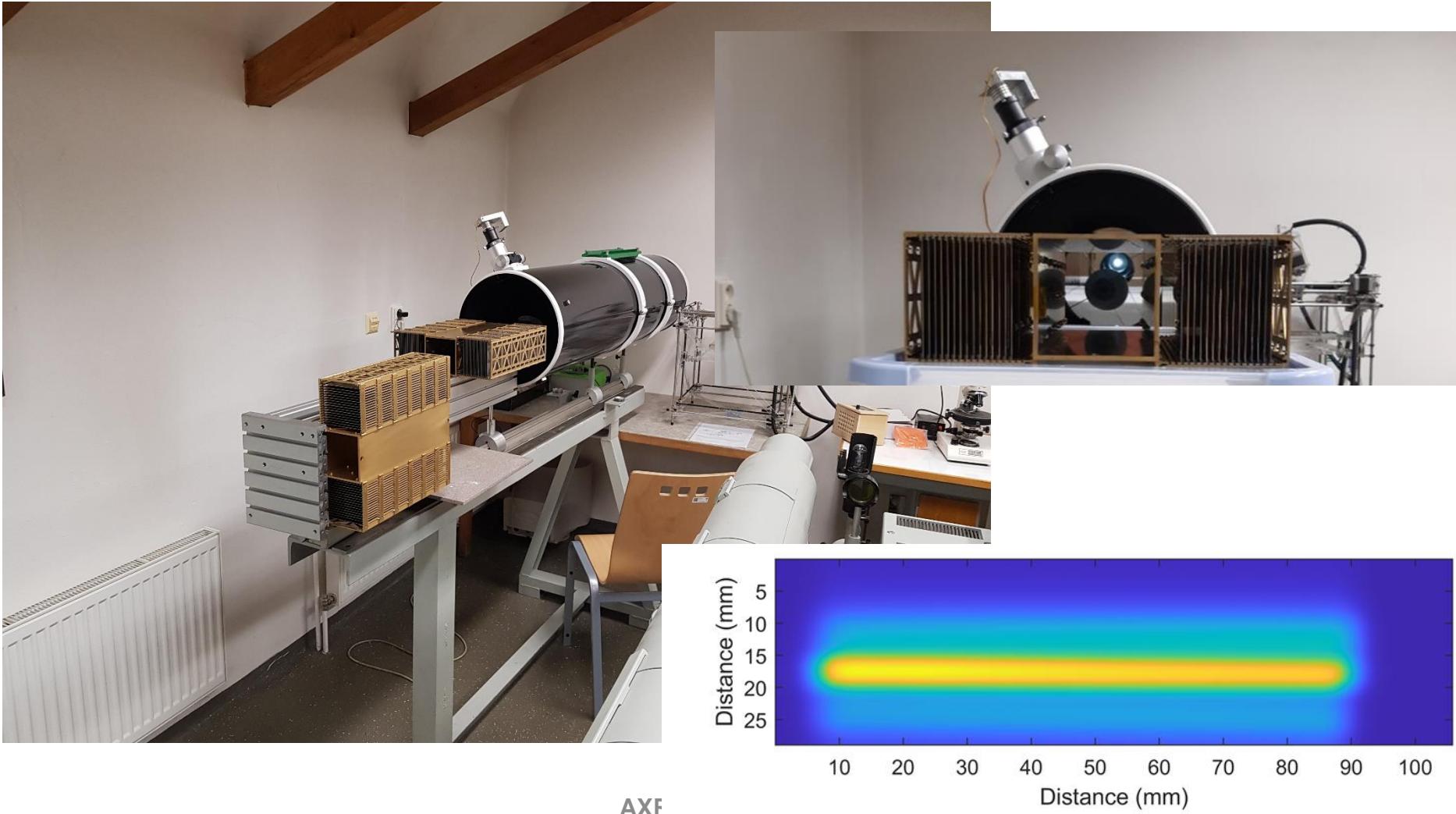


# Ray-tracing



The example of the line focus from horizontal 1D sub-module A (left), line focus from vertical 1D sub-module B (center) and focus from 2D optics (right) in the logarithmic scale. The size of the detector image is 19.2 x 19.2 mm. By Rigaku Prague ray tracing code LeSIM.

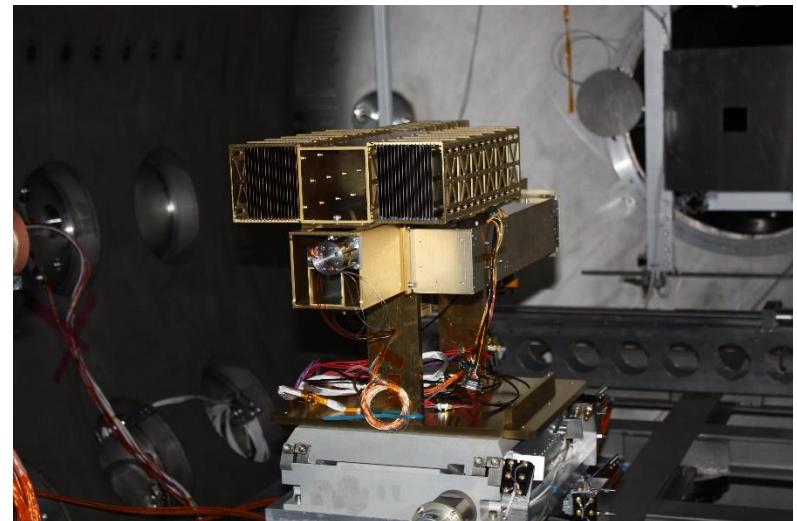
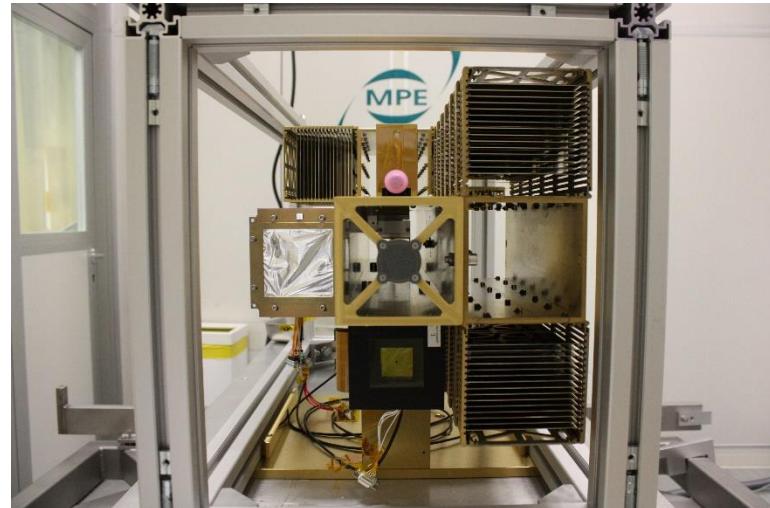
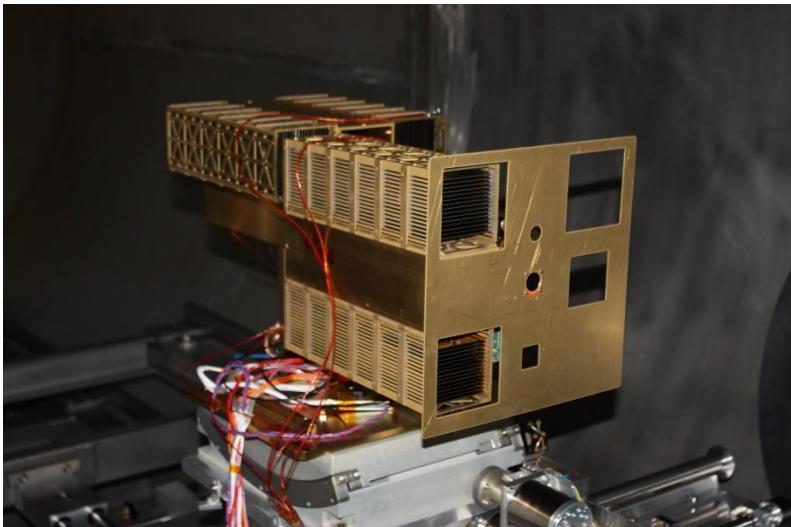
# KB optical VIS tests at CTU in Prague



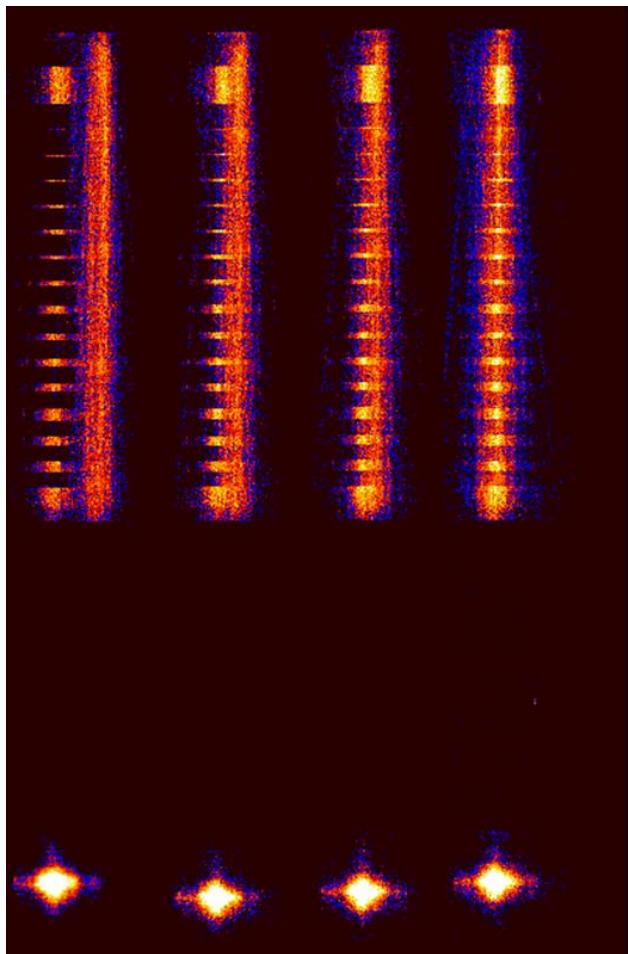
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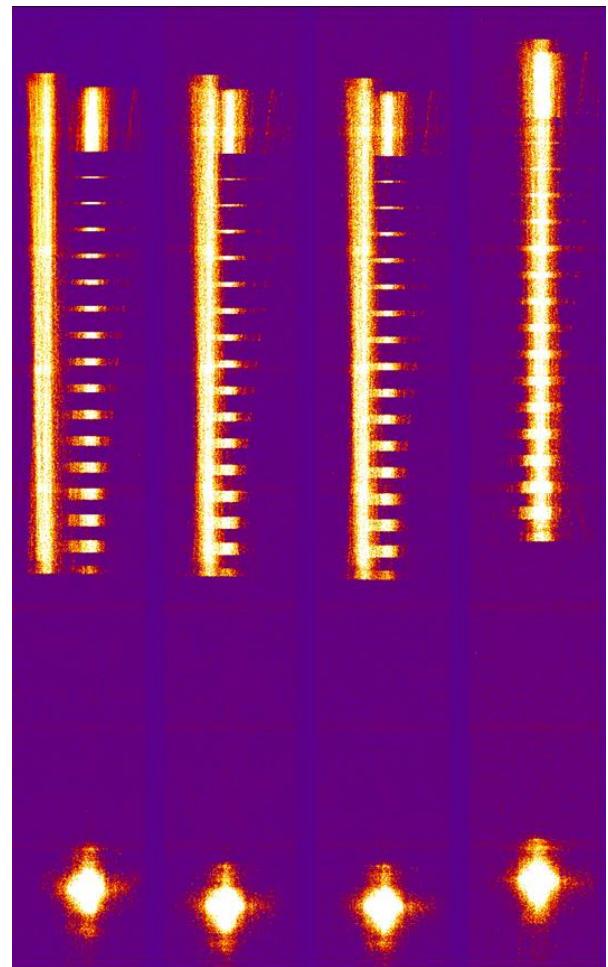
# KB module at PANTER



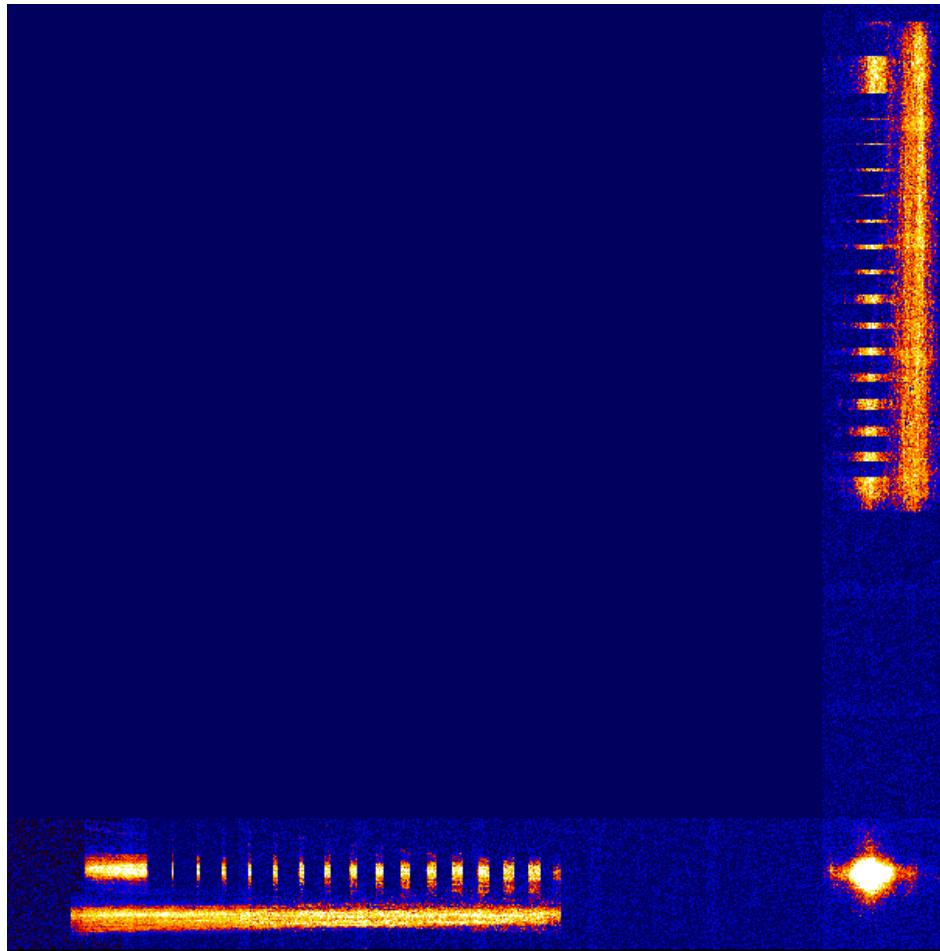
# KB PANTER tests



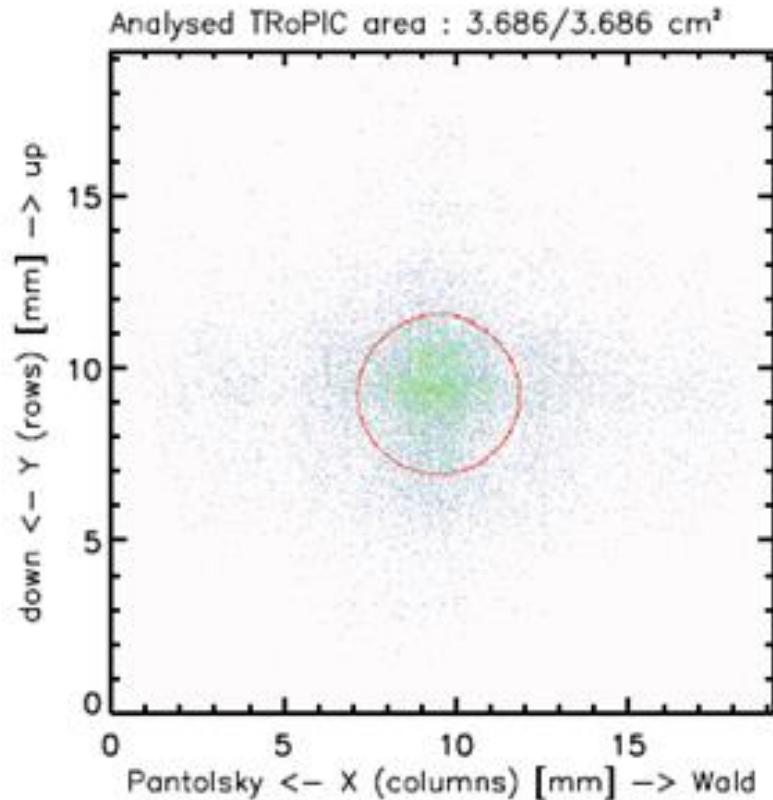
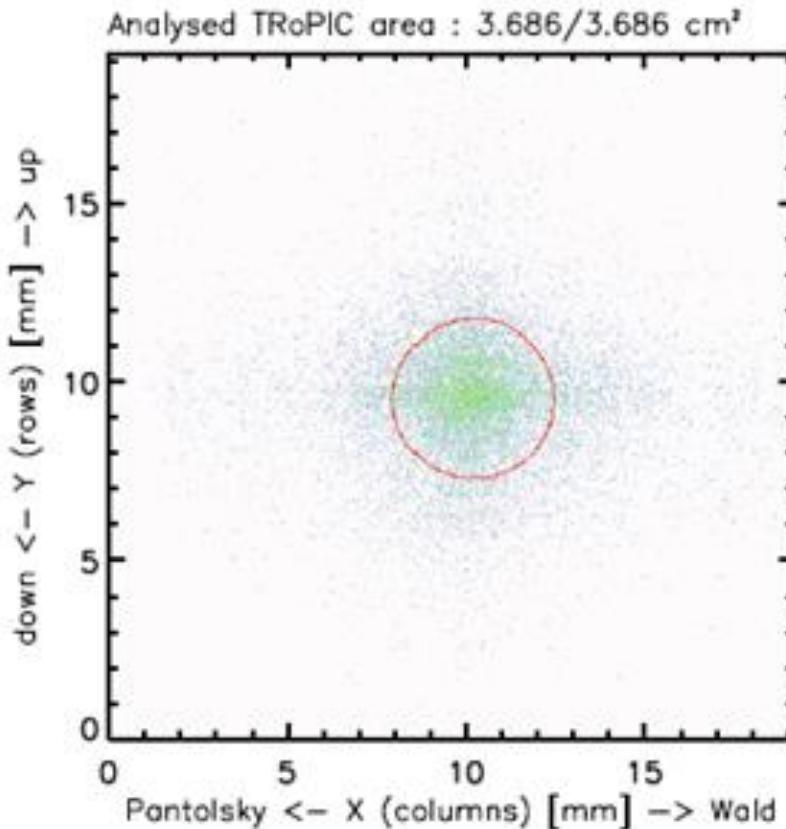
Horizontal  
and vertical  
focus  
searches



# KB 2D image



# KB PANTER tests



**2D main focus at 4.5 keV (left) and 8 keV (right).  
Results still in verification/evaluation.**

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**René Hudec**

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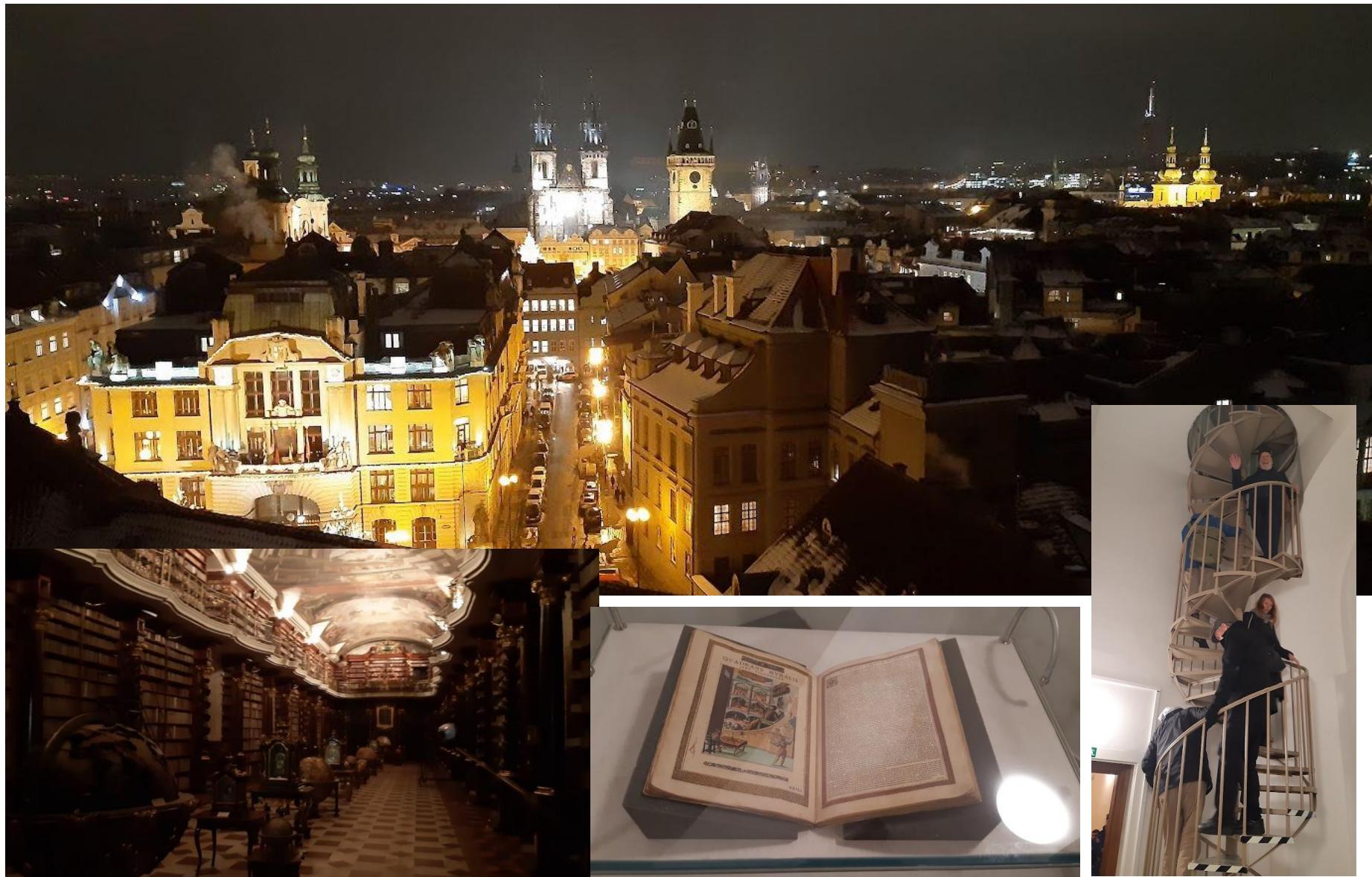
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# Student gong talks



# Students gong talks session II



# School Poster session



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