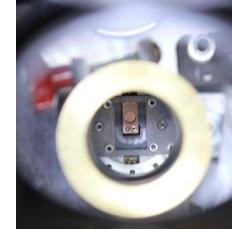


X-VISAR: Simultaneous perpendicular line-imaging VISAR



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X-VISAR

- Motivation
- Implementation
- Summary

Why would you want X-hairs on a target?

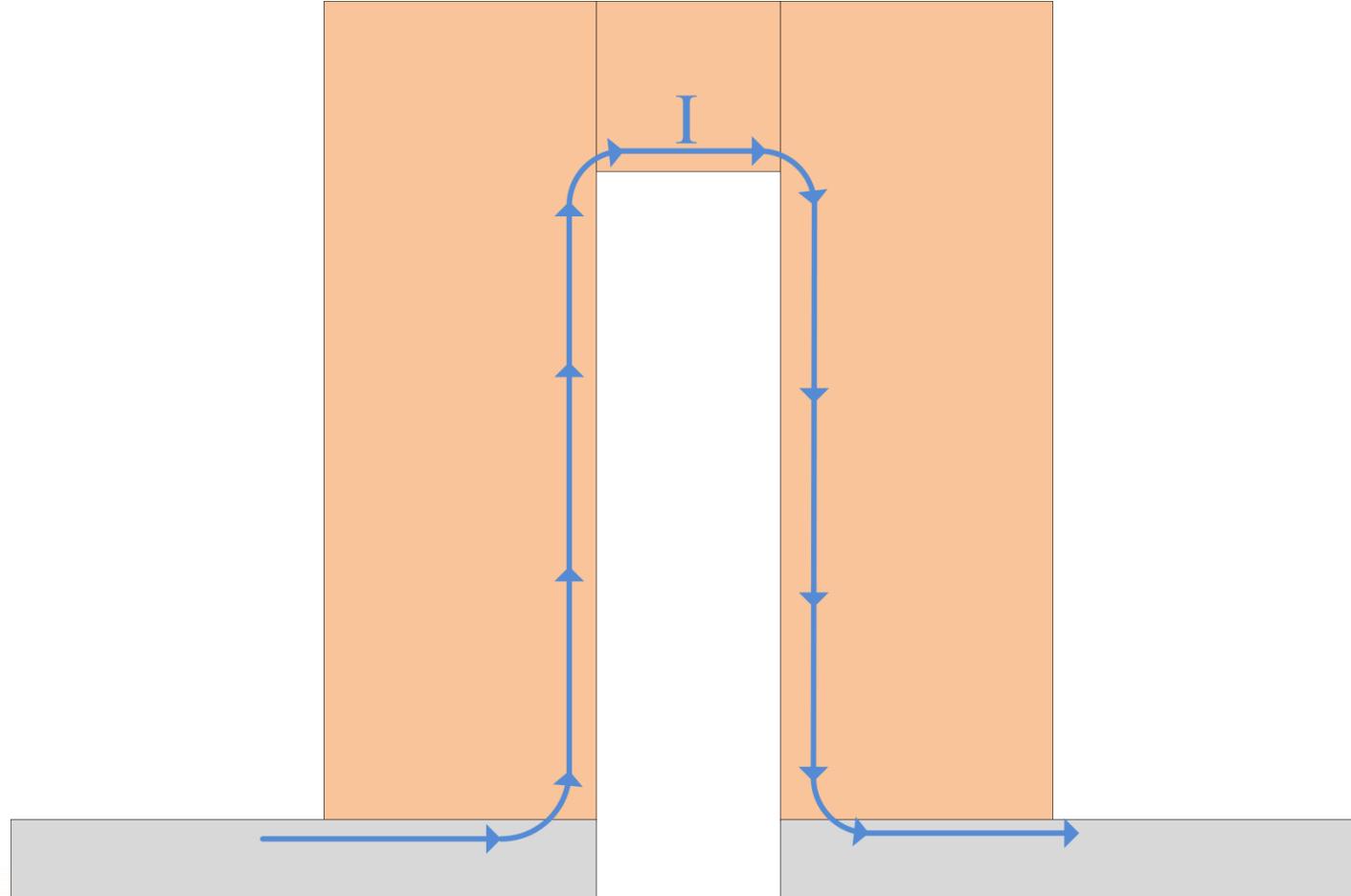
ORTHOGONAL VELOCIMETRY

MACH: A pulsed power generator for ICE

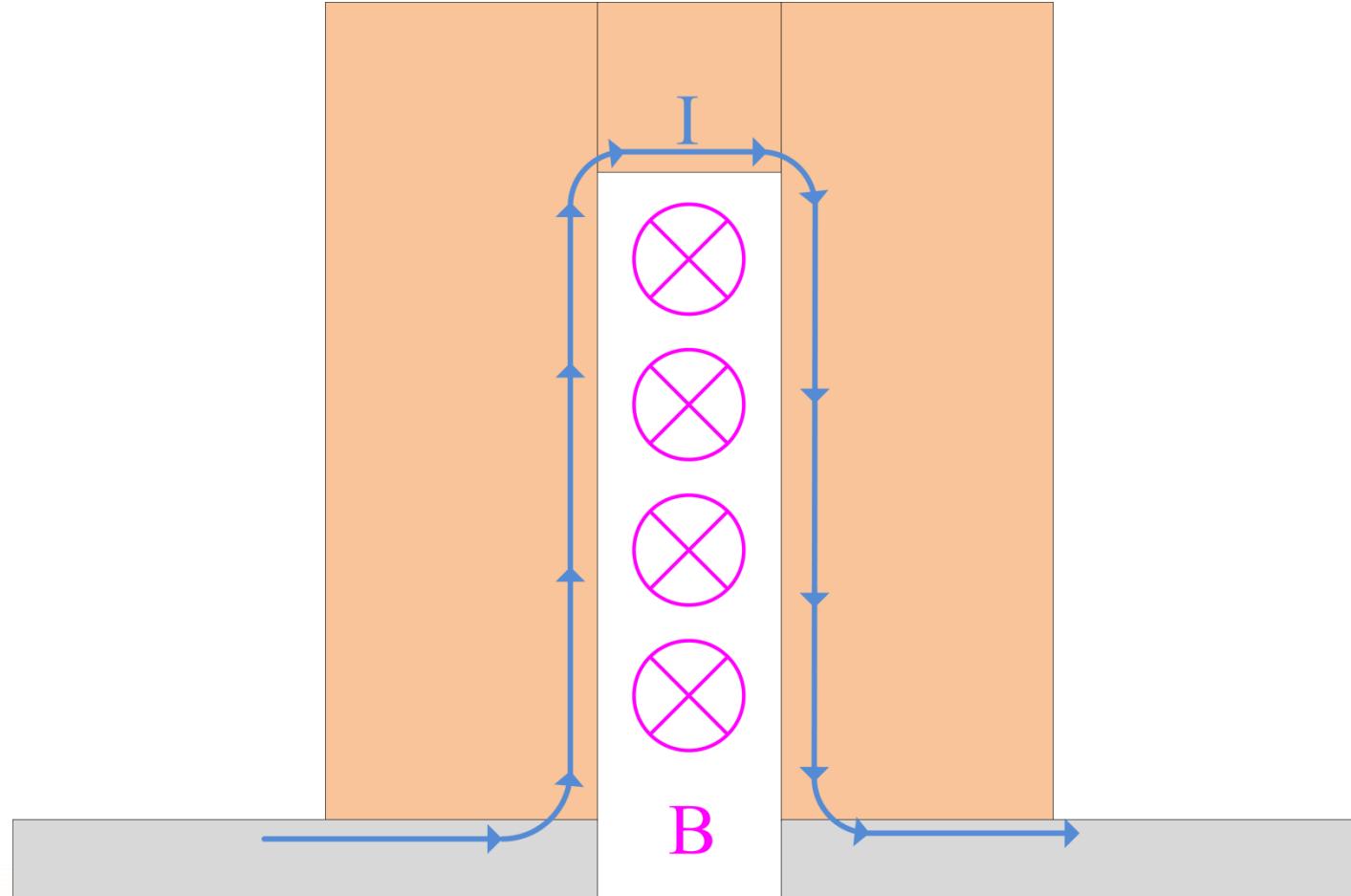


- 2 MA.
- 260ns rise time or pulse shaping.
- Up to 200 kbar.
- Quasi-Isentropic Compression Experiments (ICE).

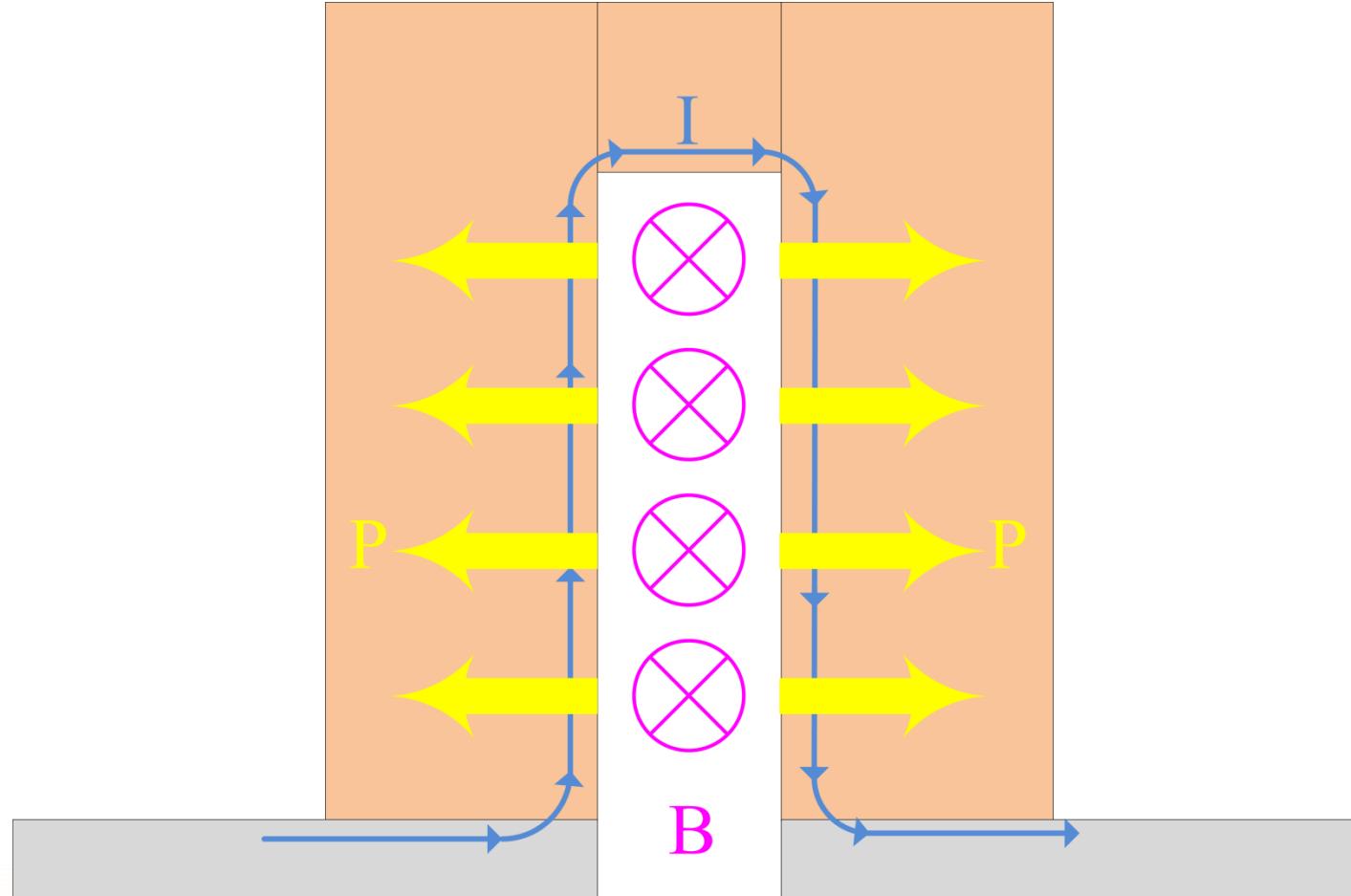
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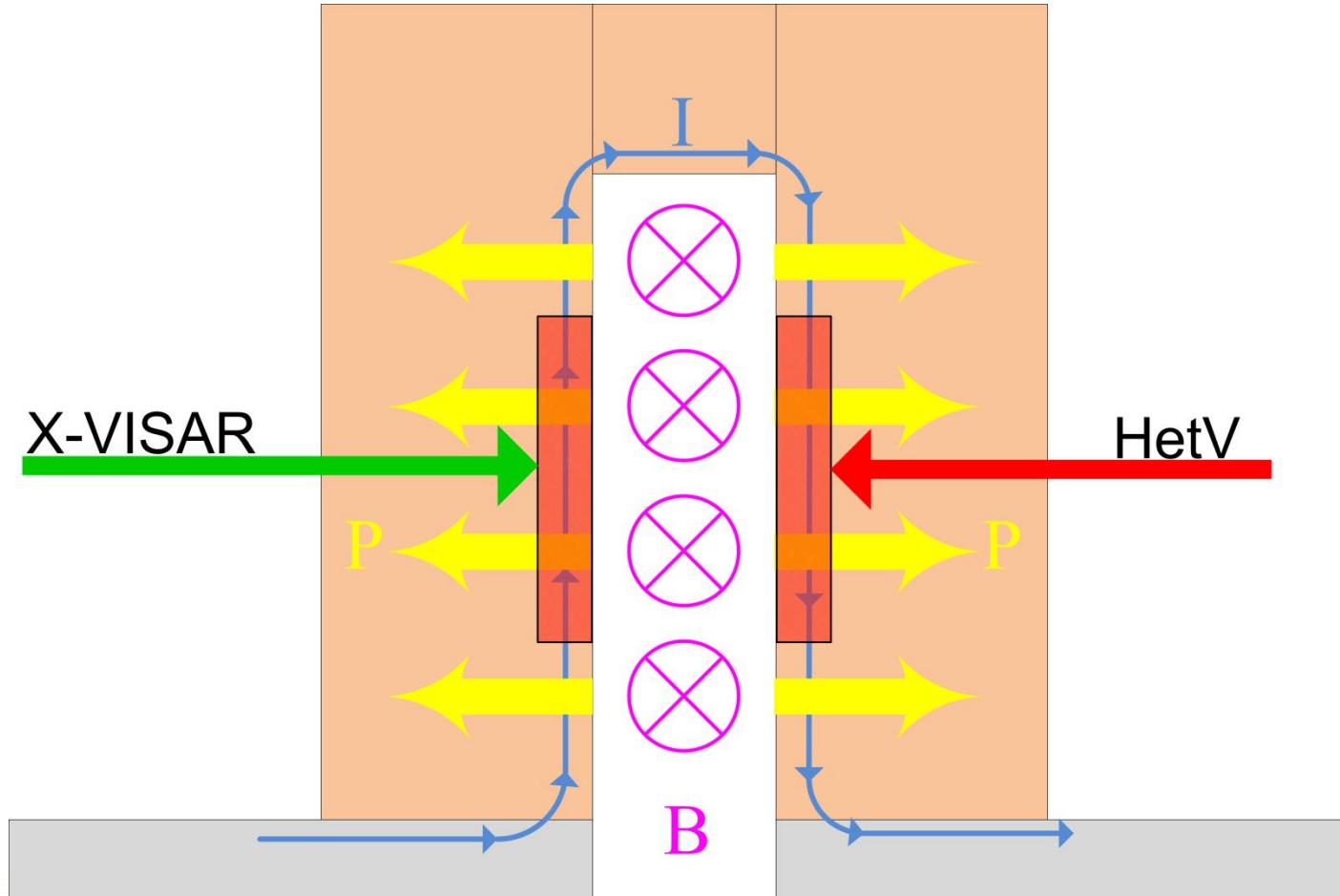
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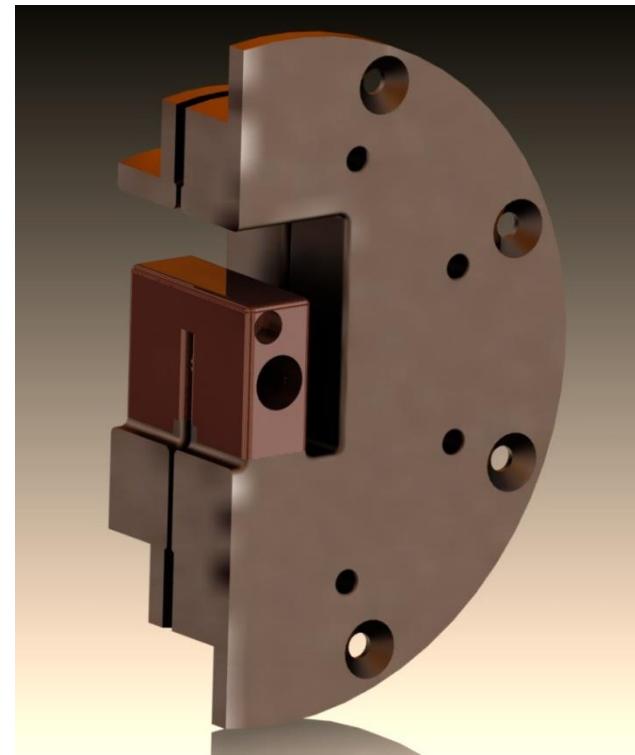
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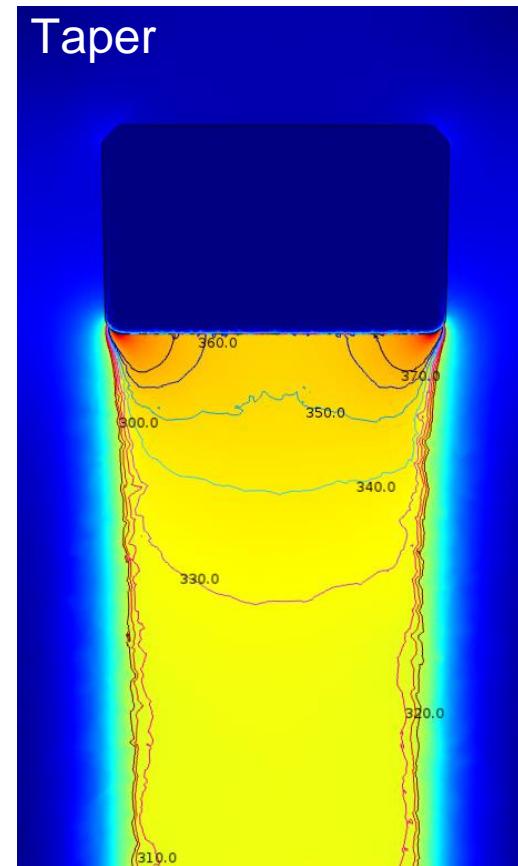
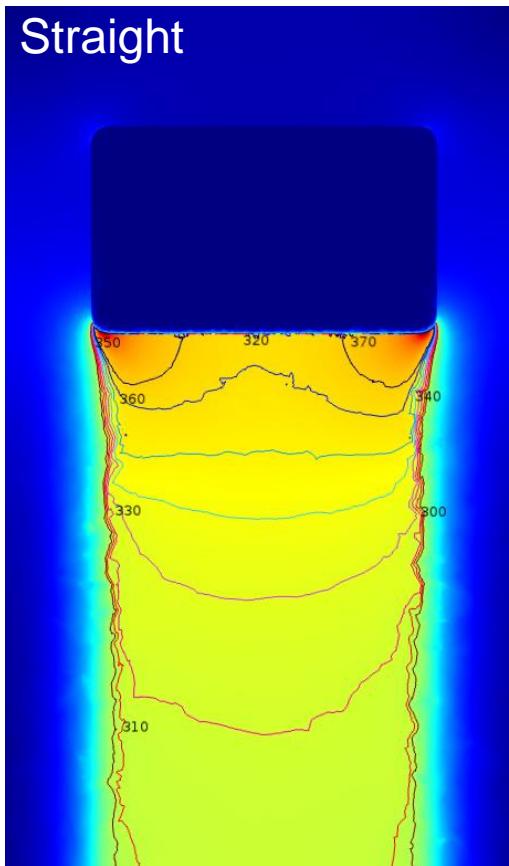


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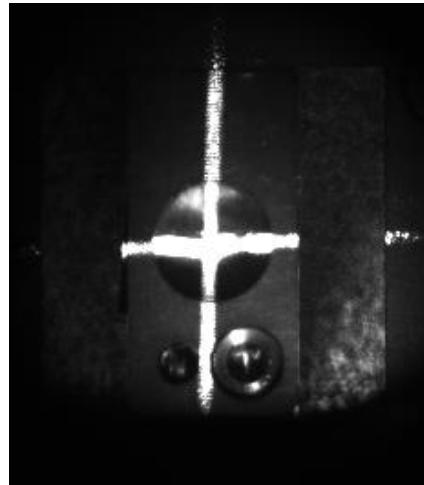
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COMSOL modelling



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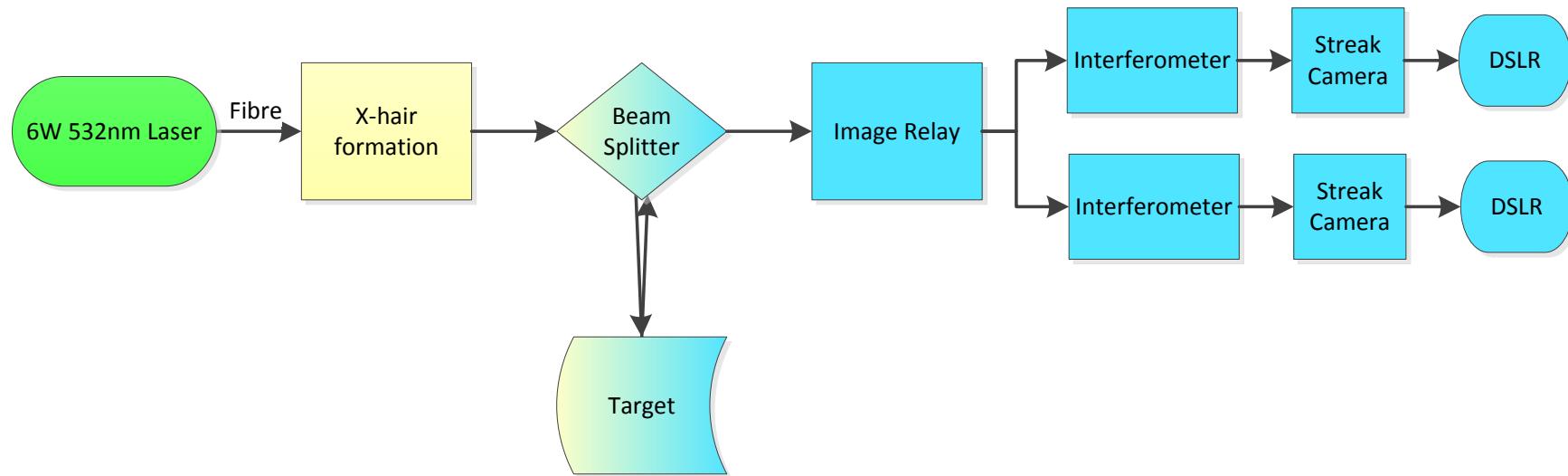


Implementing a novel diagnostic

X-VISAR

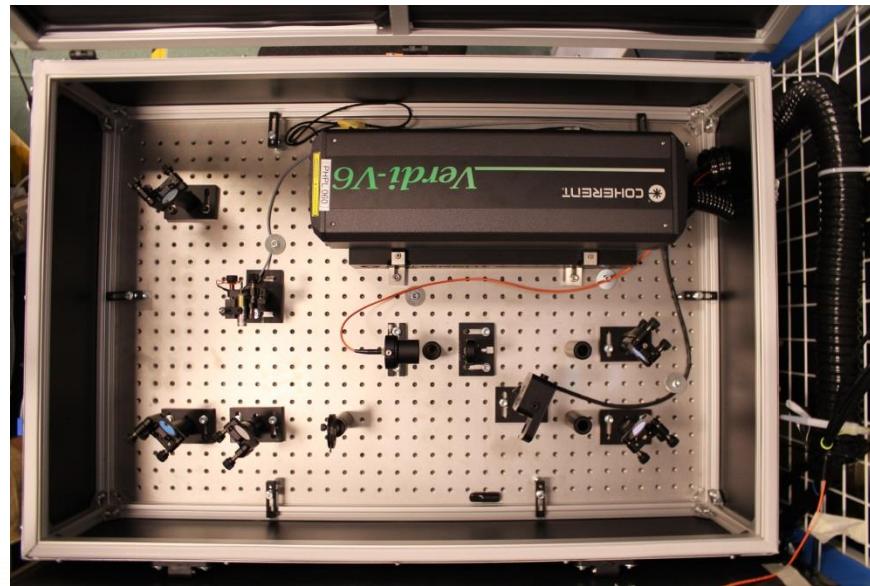
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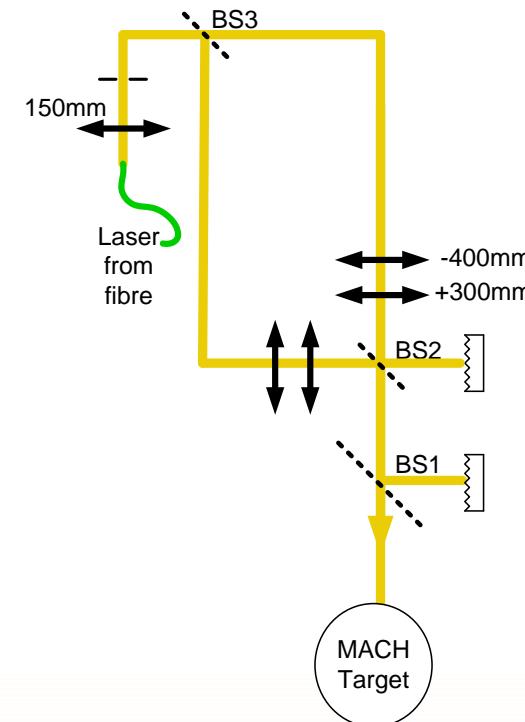
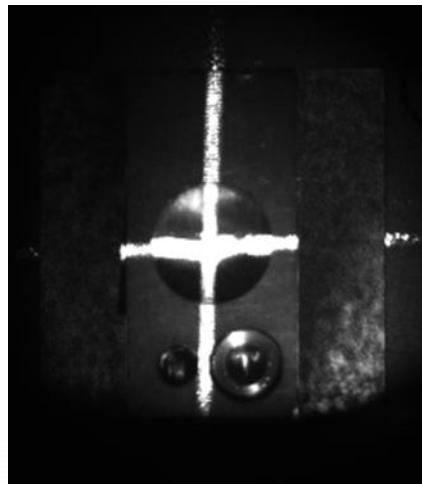
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 - Shuttered
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Laser
from
fibre

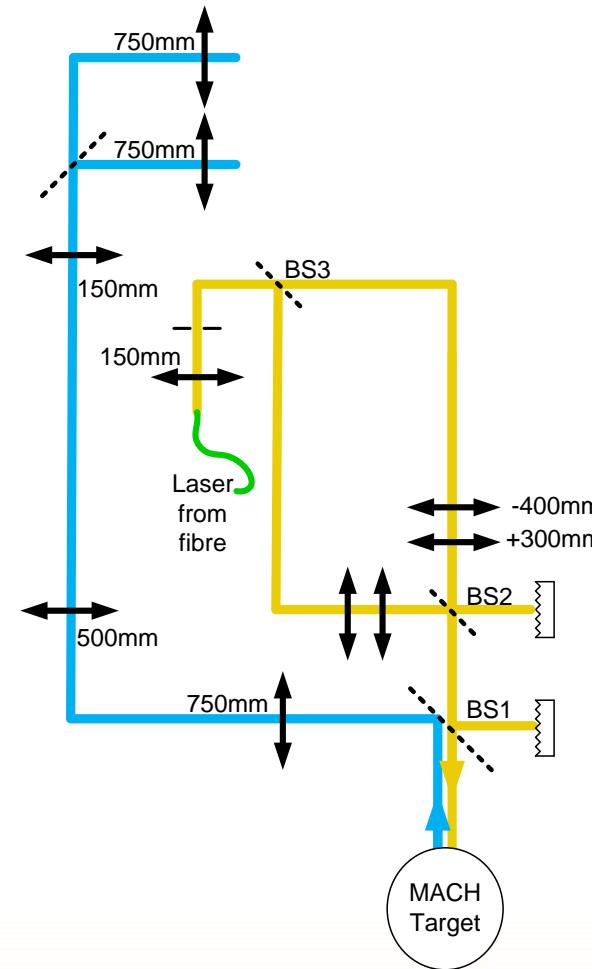
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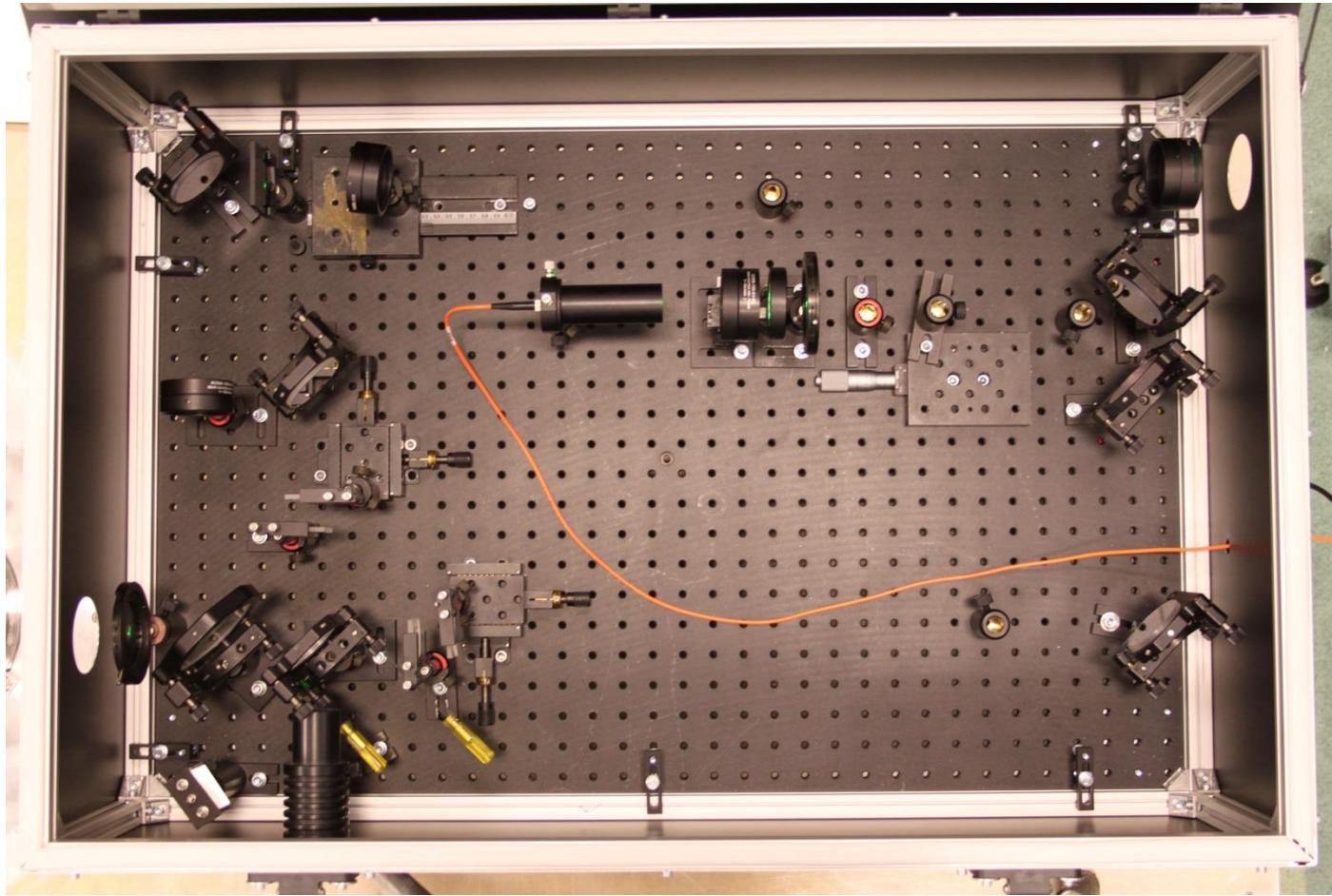


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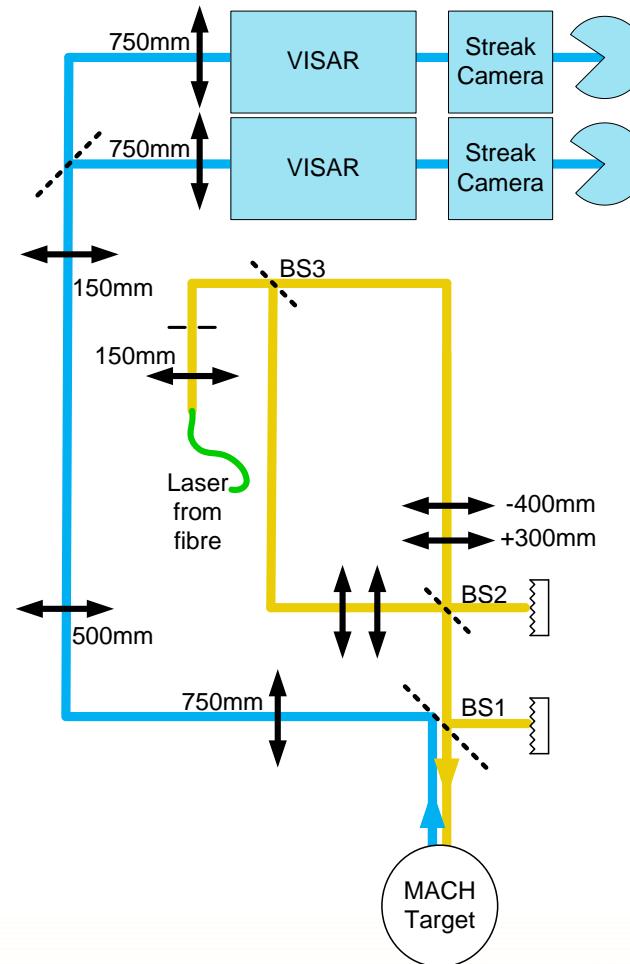


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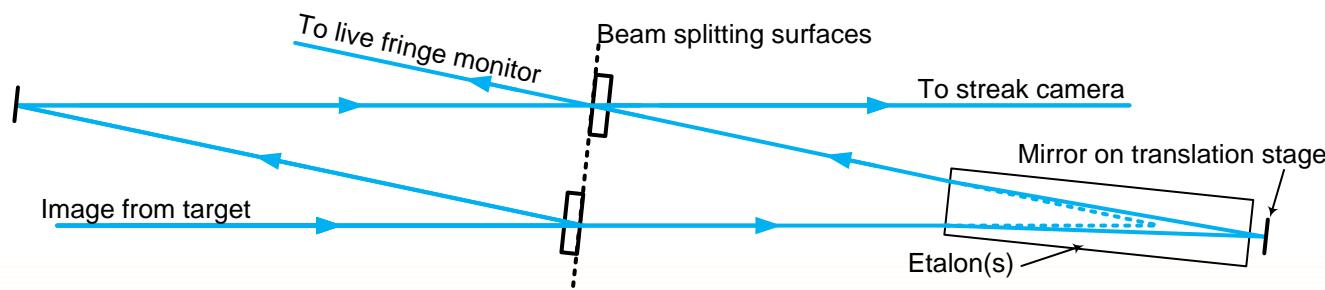
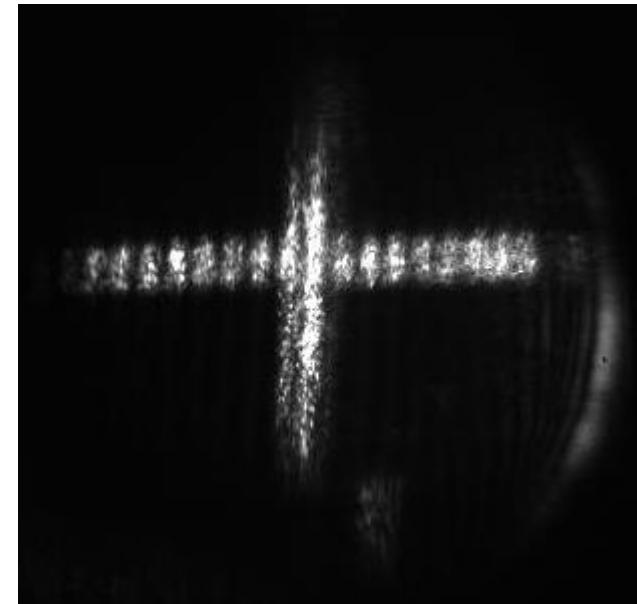
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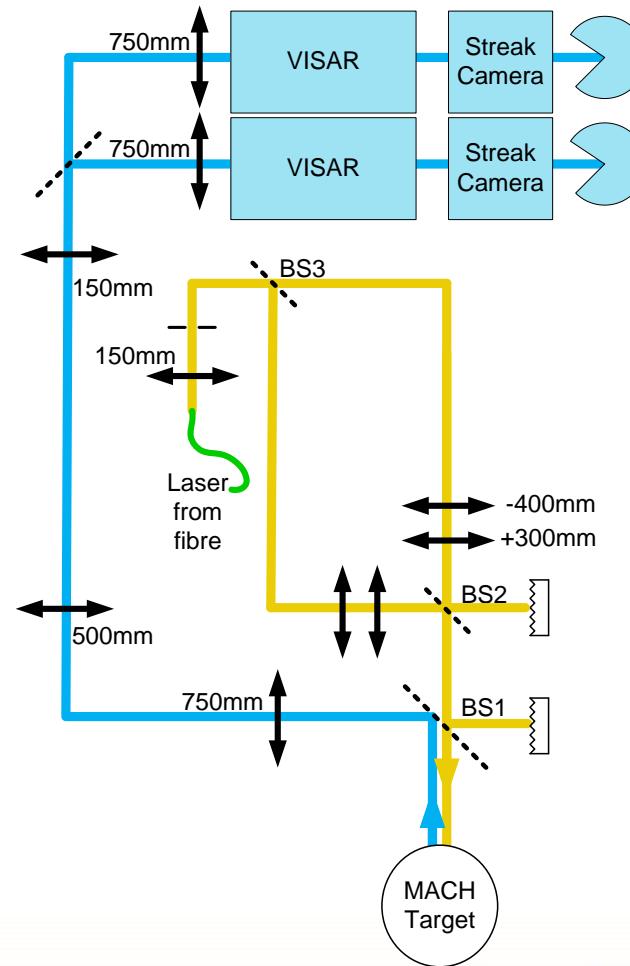
Interferometer

- Adjust contrast with Mirror on translation stage.
- Adjust fringes with output beam splitter



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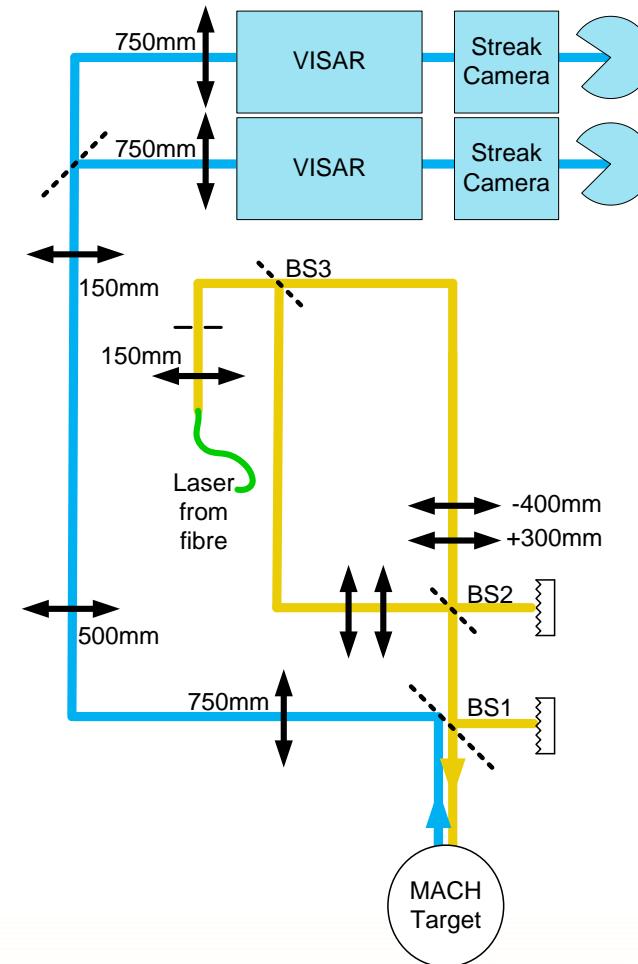
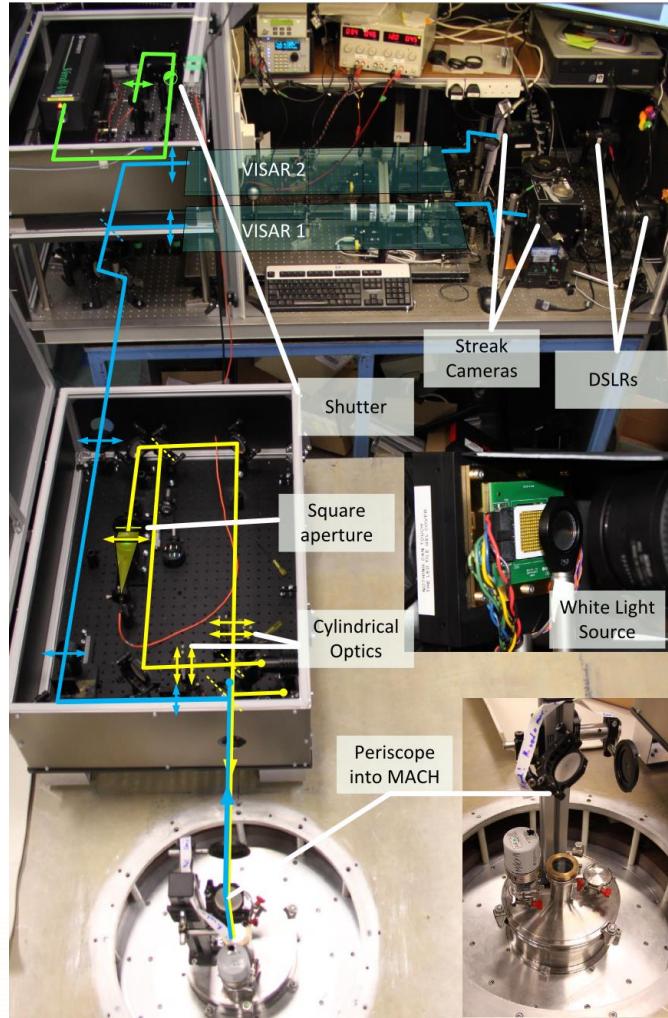


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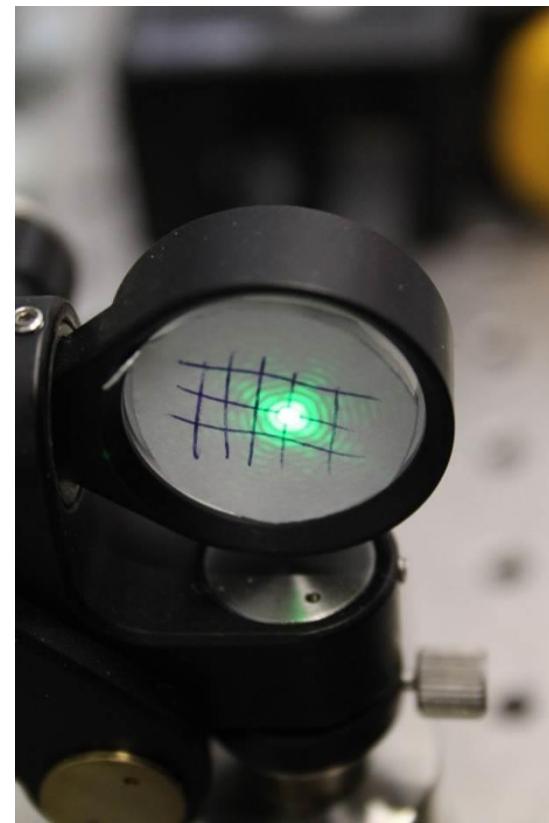
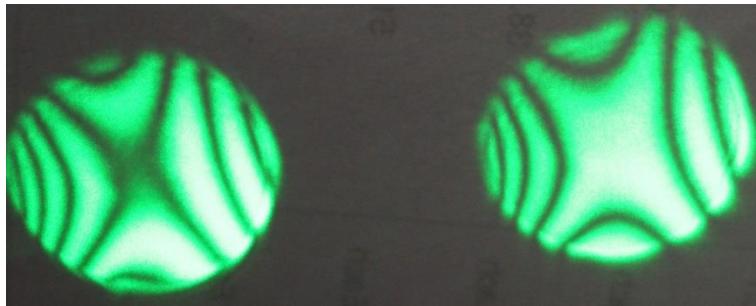
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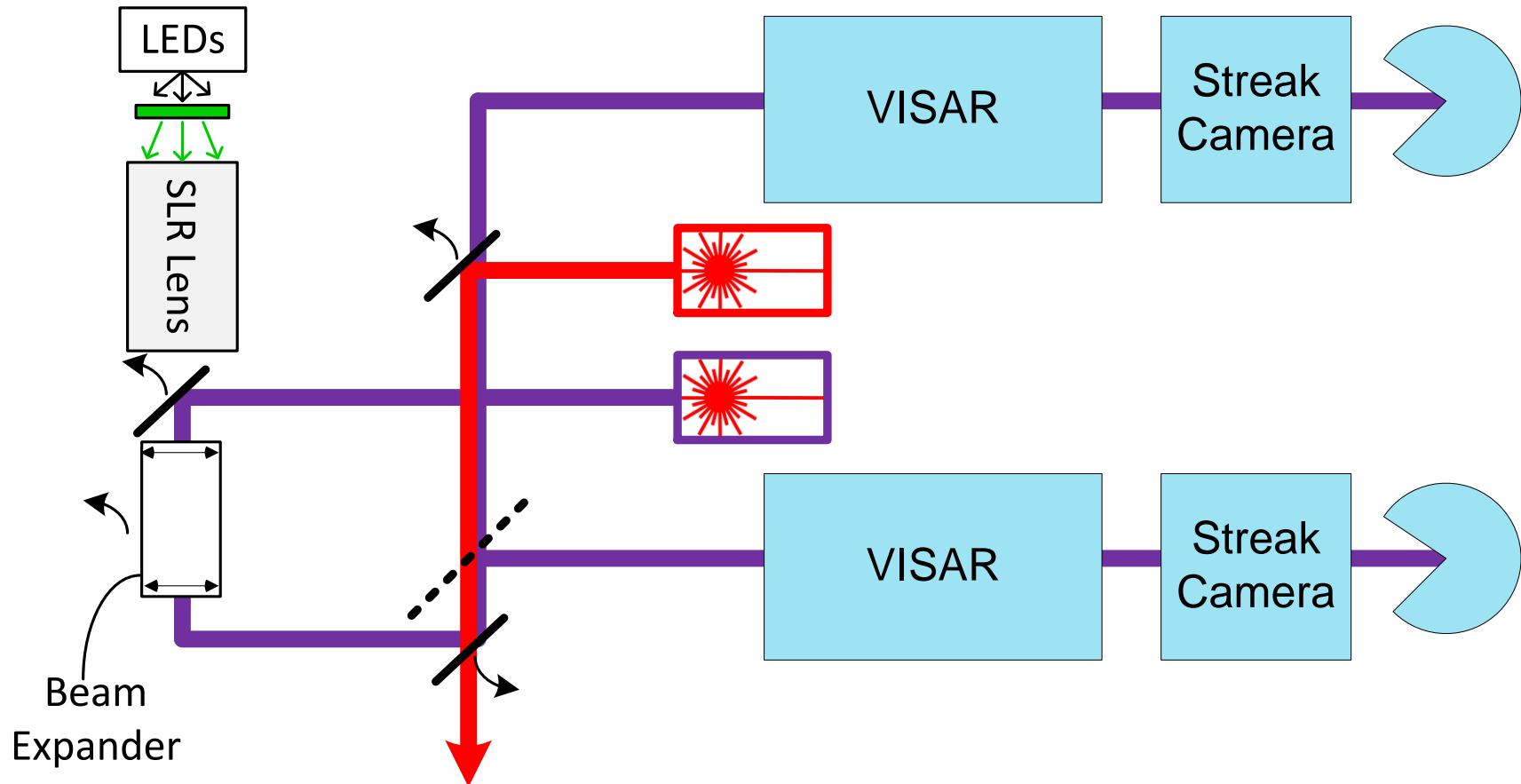


System Alignment

- Three alignment lasers (<5 mW):
 - Main beam replicator
 - Interferometer alignment
 - With beam expander
 - Counter propagating beam
- White Light LED tile & filters



System Alignment



White Light alignment

- White LED tile
 - 532 nm Line Filter (FWHM 1nm)
 - 532 nm line filter (FWHM 10nm)
 - ‘White’ light (no filters)
- SLR lens
 - Throw image & focus
- Diffuser
- Instability (up to 130 μ m range)

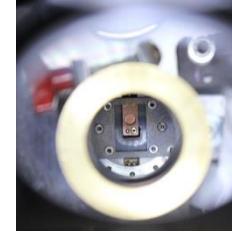


SUMMARY

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- Not data presently
- ~£30,000 excluding laser and streak cameras.
 - Mostly 2" optics.
- Challenges
 - Anti reflection windows.
 - X-hair analysis.

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