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# X-ray free-electron lasers and the **CXIDB**

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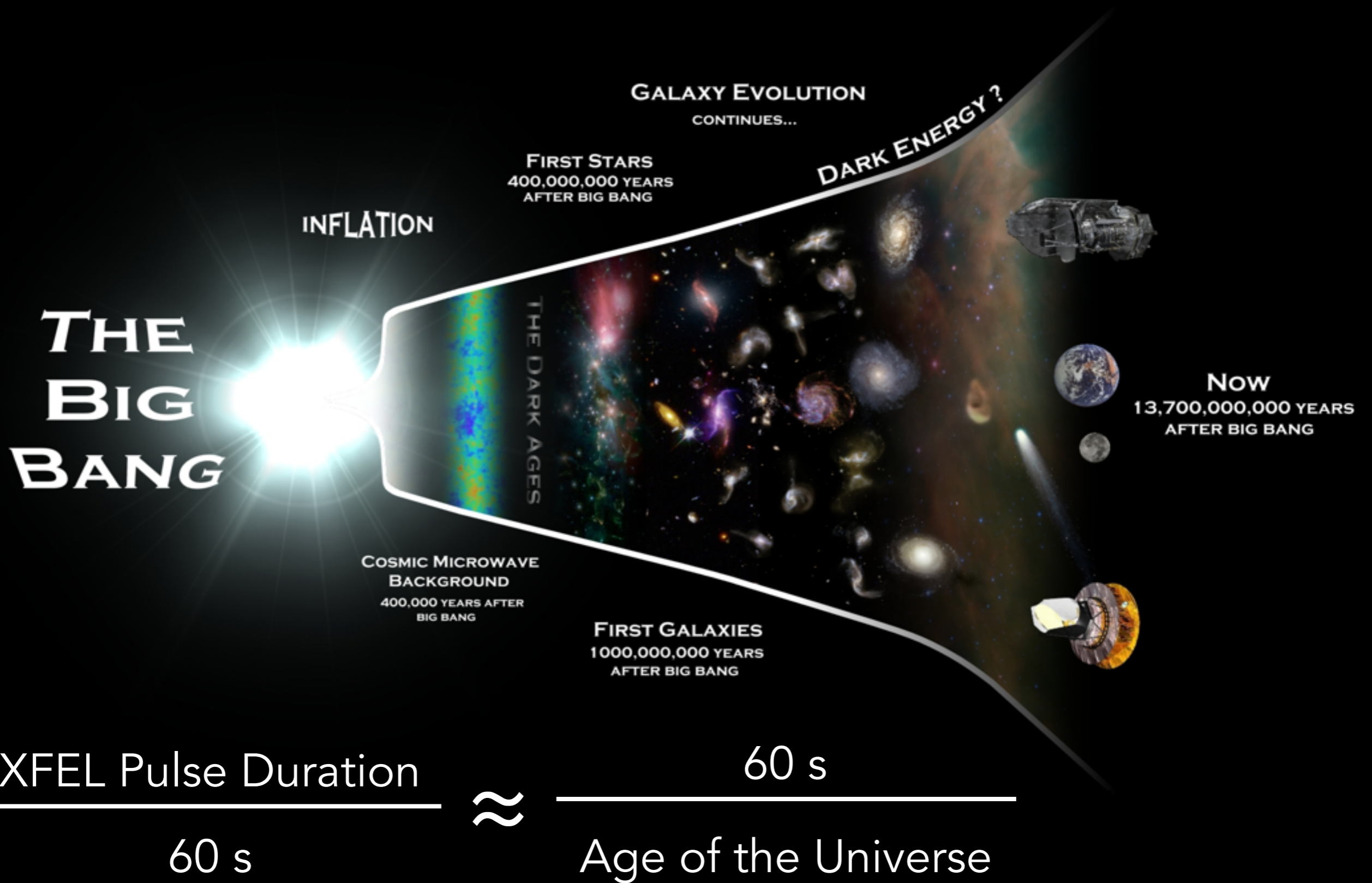
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# X-ray Free-electron Laser: a light-source of superlatives

- Longest
- Fastest
- Most expensive
- Most powerful



# The Speed of XFELs



# The Power of XFELs

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Total irradiated power  
=  $1.740 \times 10^{17}$  W

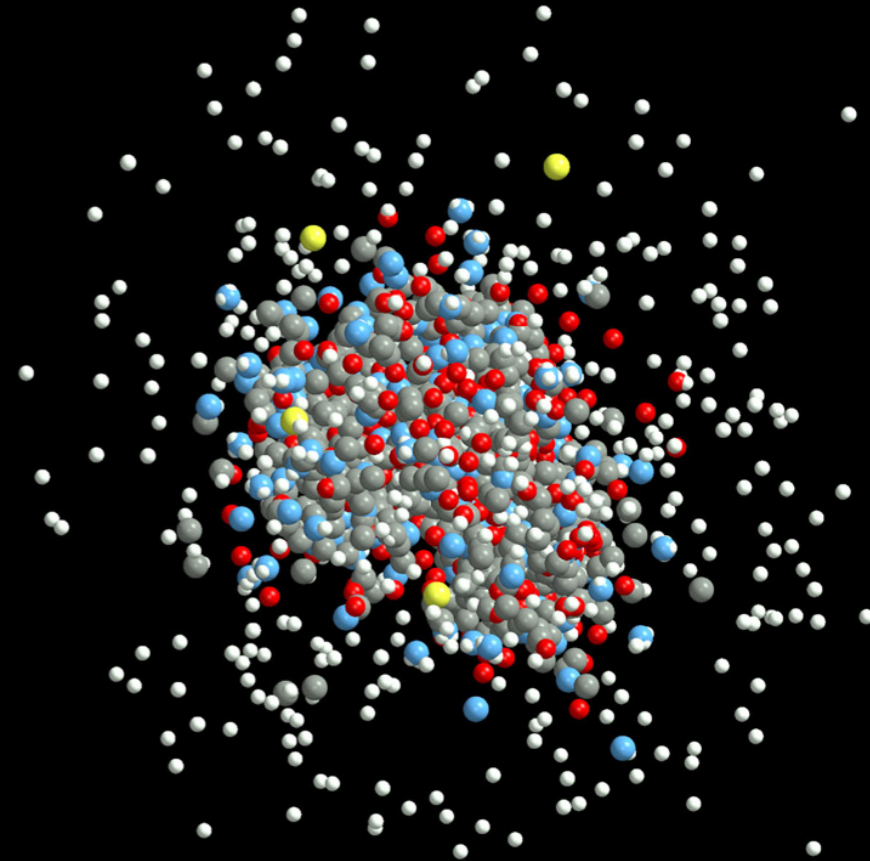
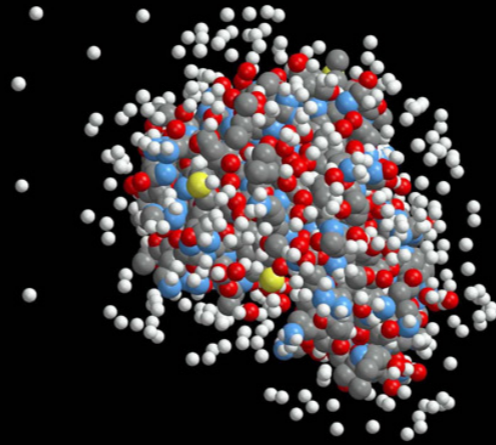
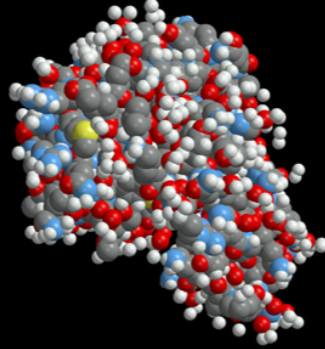
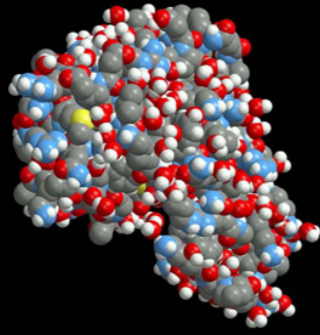
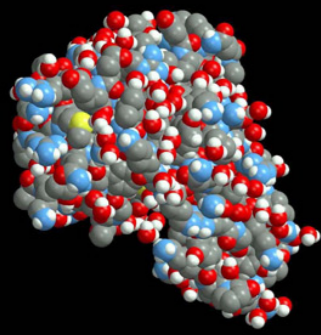


**10 Billion Fold Increase  
In Peak Brilliance**

1 mm<sup>2</sup>

The peak power of the LCLS with a 1 μm<sup>2</sup> focus

# This Makes New Experiments Possible...



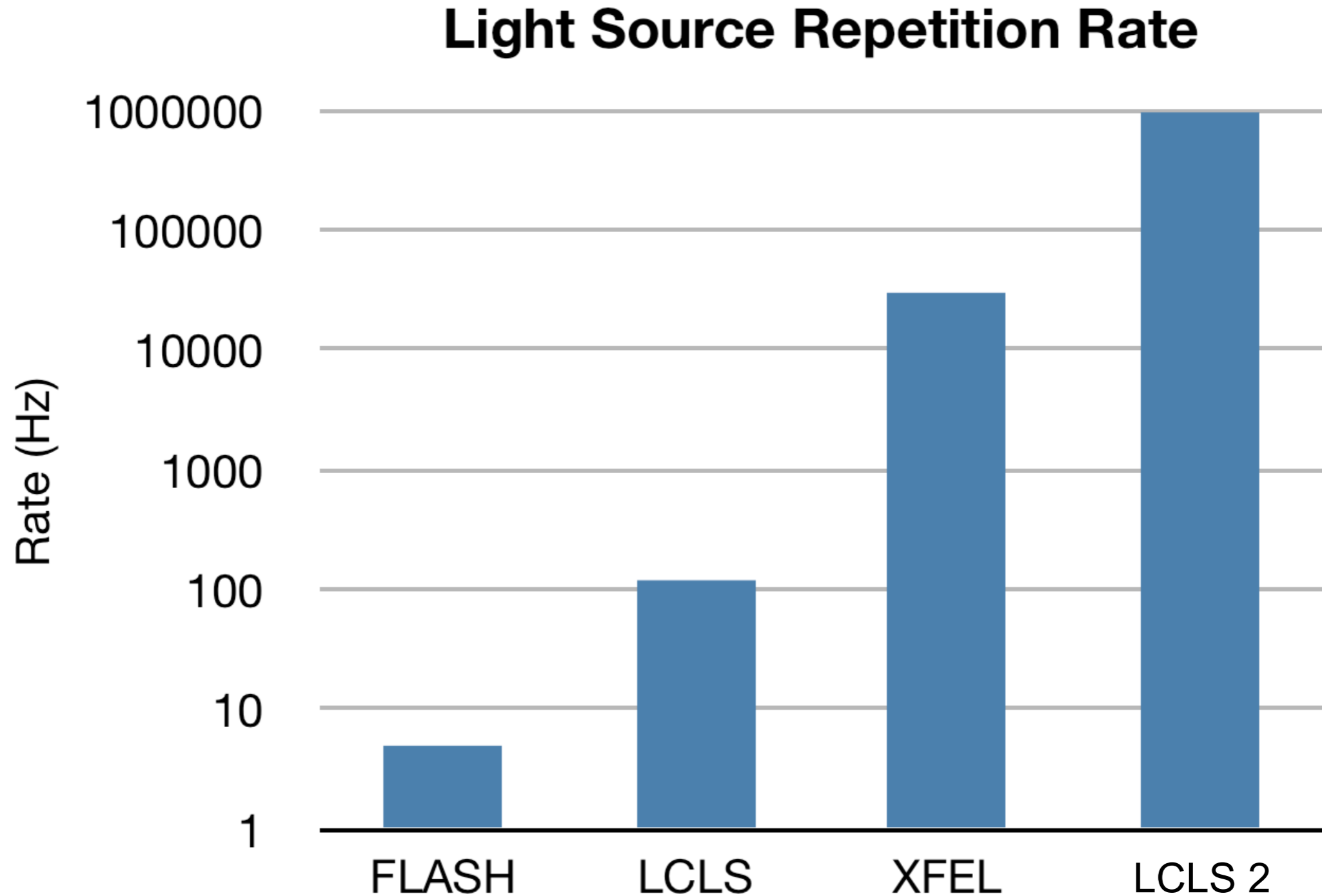
**SHORT PULSE (fs)**

3.8 x 10<sup>12</sup> X-RAY photons, 100 nm focus

**LONG PULSE**

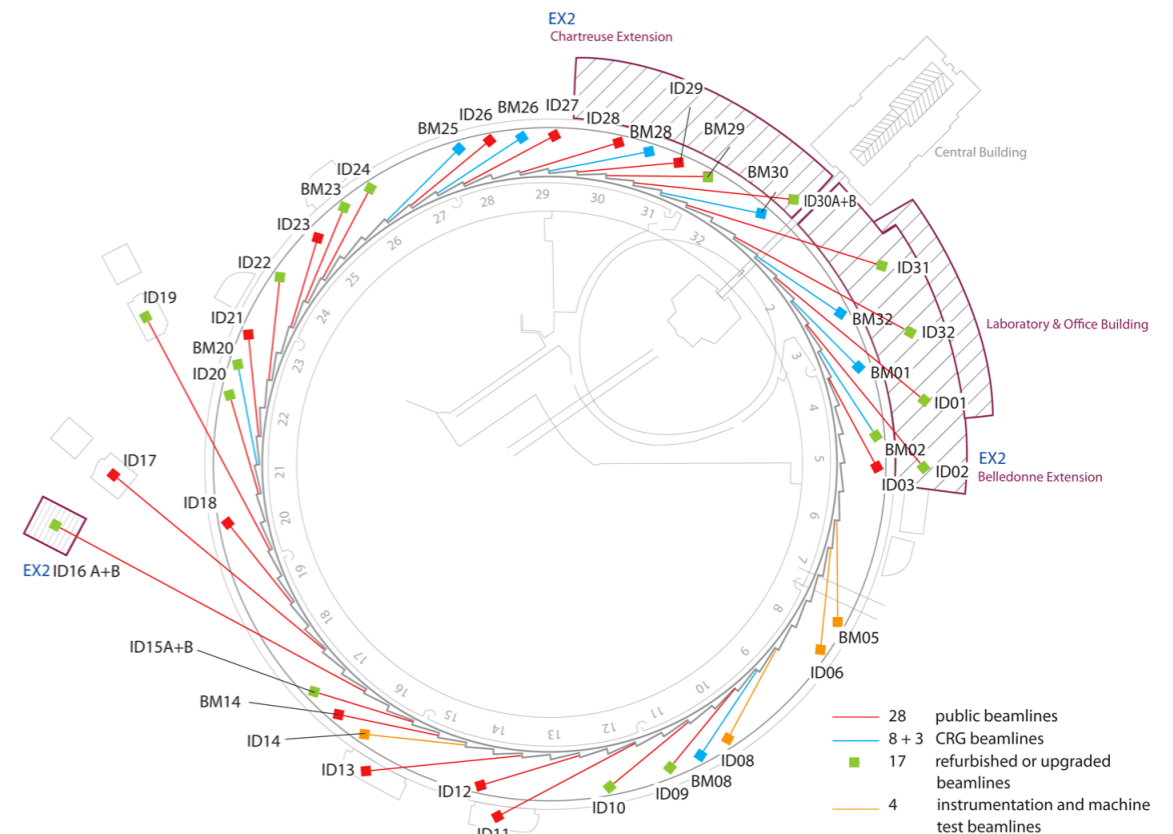
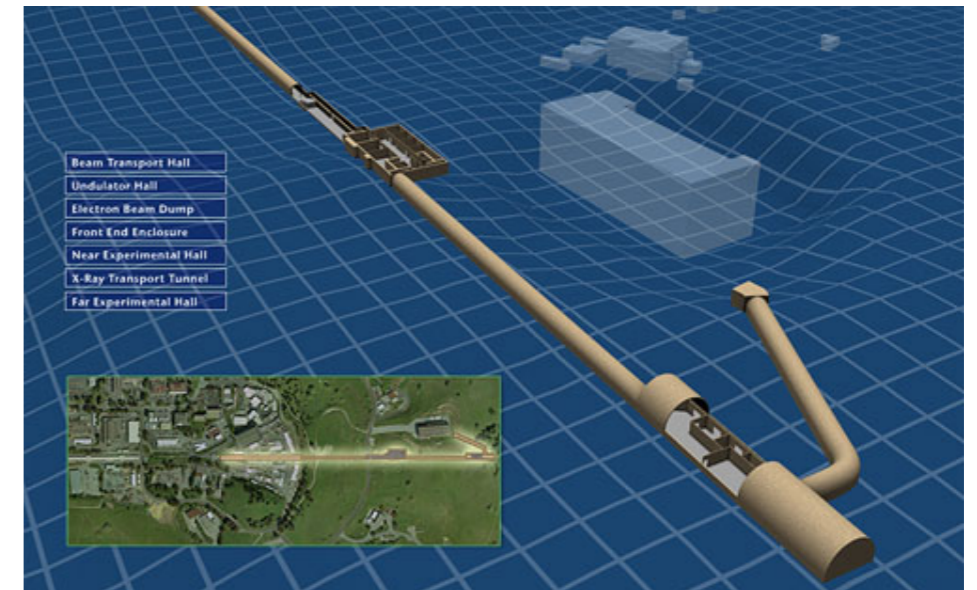
**SPEED OF LIGHT vs.  
SPEED OF A SHOCK WAVE**

# The repetition rate of XFELs is still growing exponentially



# Maximize Efficiency of the Facilities

- XFEL produce mountains of data
- They are serial, as opposed to synchrotron's parallel nature.
- The result is a few groups with too much data.
- While others are data starved.
- Sharing is a clear solution.



# The birth of the Coherent X-ray Imaging DataBank ([cxidb.org](http://cxidb.org))



## Goals

- Foster reproducible research
- Enable the test of ideas on real data
- Preserve datasets for future analysis.



View from my office at Lawrence Berkeley Lab while thinking how to create CXIDB, Jan. 2011.



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## Practical challenges

- Where to get funds?
- Where to get storage?
- How to create the infrastructure?



**Just do it, as simple  
as possible!**



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# Challenges to Data Sharing

- Sociological challenges
- Lack of adequate rewards.
- Not viewed as a valuable scholarly endeavour
- Afraid to be scooped
- Certain disciplines manage to overcome this: astronomy, oceanography, genomics.



# Challenges to Data Sharing

- Data sets should be publishable and citable.
- Data sharing should be part of funding agreements.
- Funding agencies are requiring data management plan in proposals.
- Publications should reward data sharing.

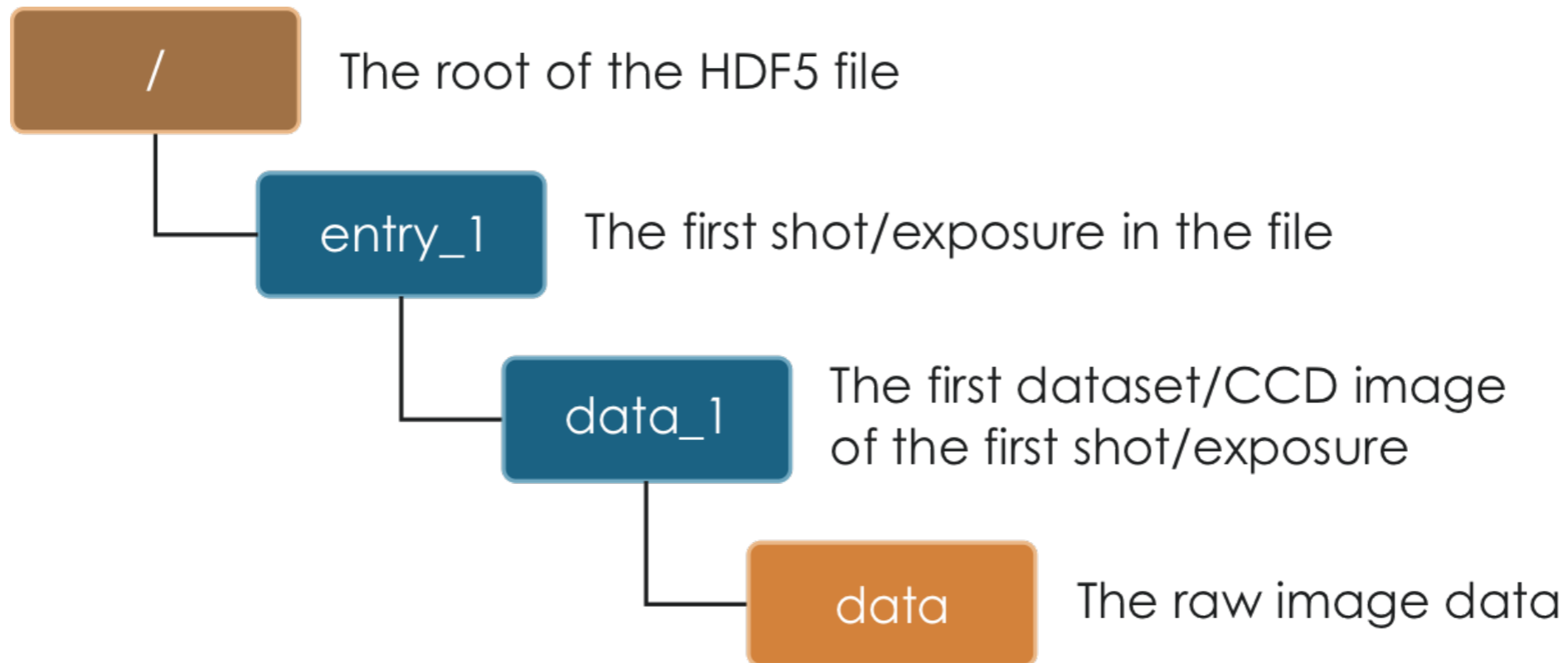


# Common File Format

- Data sharing is crucial in this age of large collaborations.
- A common file format is necessary for easy data sharing.
- CXIDB needs a uniform file format
- No existing file format meets our needs
- Creation of the CXI file format.

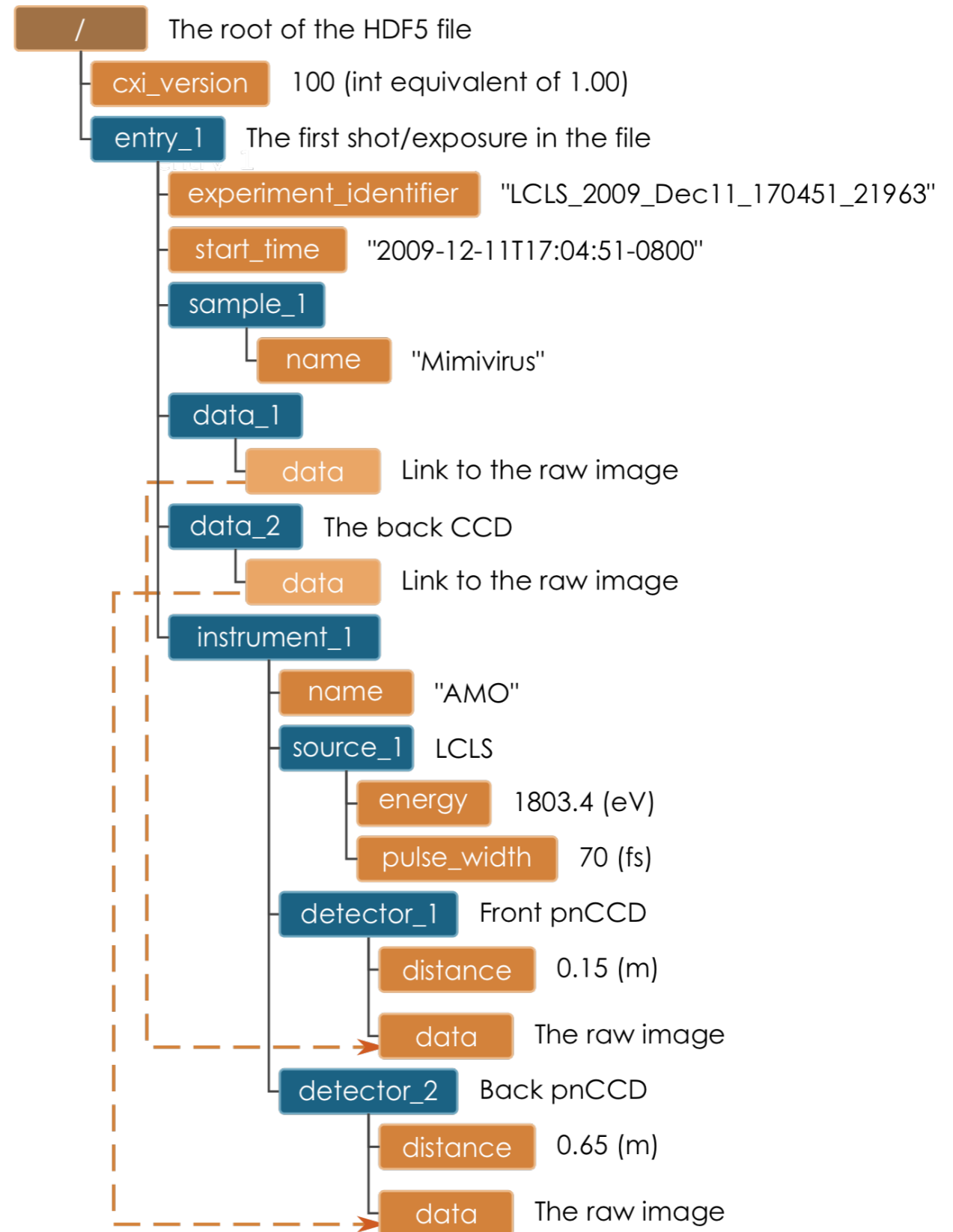
# CXI File Format

- HDF5 based.
- Simple.
- High performance



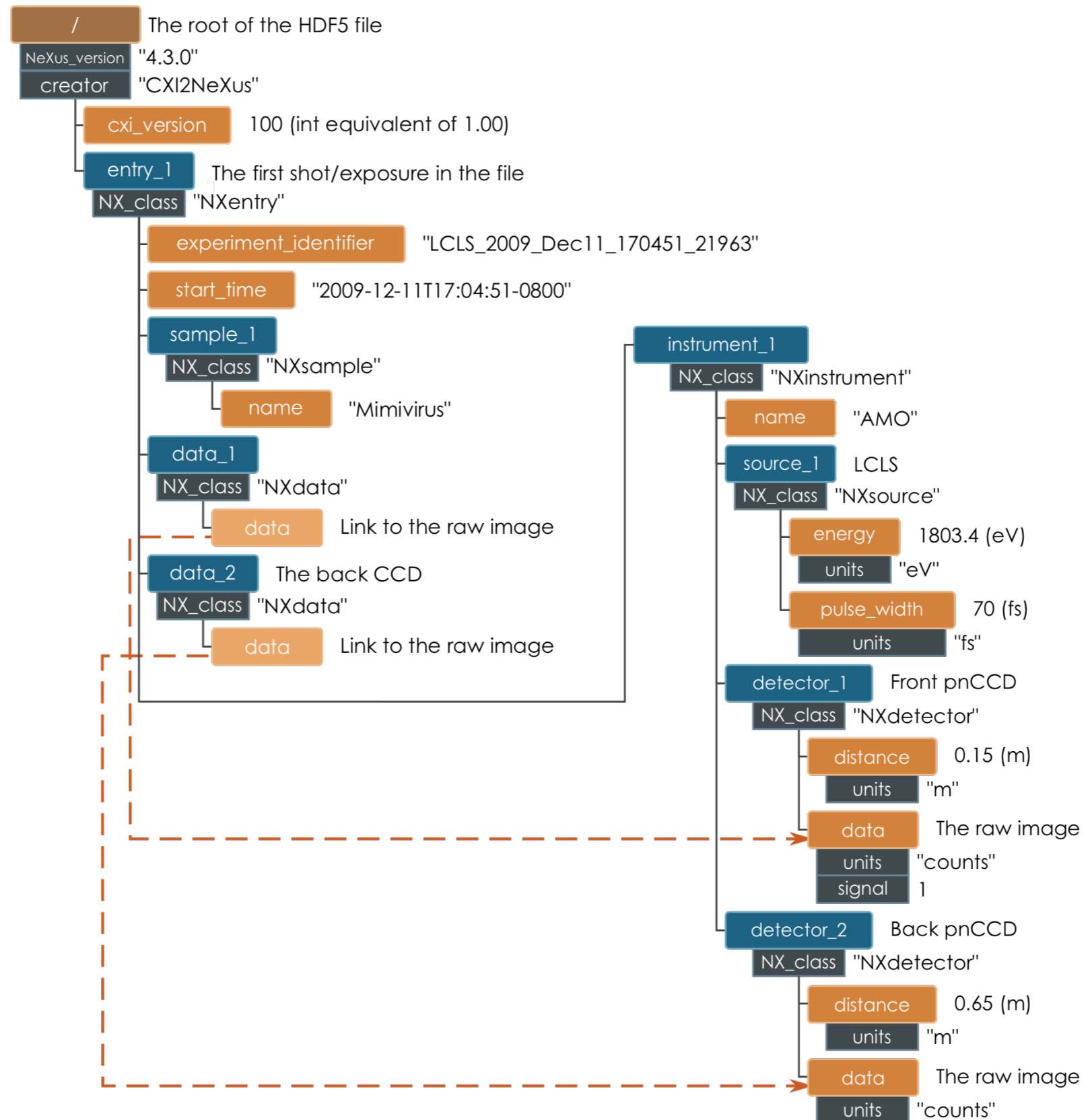
# CXI File Format

- Flexible
- Well documented
- Extensible
- Compatible with NeXus



# CXI File Format

## NeXus Style



# Reproducible Data Analysis

CXIDB ID 56

## Deposition Summary

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## Publication Details

<b>Title:</b>	Experimental strategies for imaging bioparticles with femtosecond hard X-ray pulses
<b>Authors:</b>	Benedikt J. Daurer, Kenta Okamoto et al.
<b>Journal:</b>	IUCrJ
<b>Year:</b>	2017
<b>DOI:</b>	<a href="https://doi.org/10.1107/S2052252517003591">10.1107/S2052252517003591</a>

## Experimental Conditions

<b>Method:</b>	Single Particle X-ray Diffraction Imaging
<b>Sample:</b>	Omono River Virus
<b>Wavelength:</b>	2.25 Å (5.5 keV)
<b>Lightsource:</b>	<a href="#">LCLS</a>
<b>Beamline:</b>	<a href="#">CXI</a>

## Data Files

<b>Diffraction Patterns:</b>	<a href="#">cxidb_56_hits.tar.gz</a>
<b>Background:</b>	<a href="#">cxidb_56_background.tar.gz</a>

## Auxiliary Files

<b>Metadata:</b>	<a href="#">cxidb_56_metadata.tar.gz</a>
<b>Analysis Description:</b>	<a href="https://github.com/FXlhub/cxic9714-analysis">github.com/FXlhub/cxic9714-analysis</a>

## Description

Facilitating the very short and intense pulses from an X-ray laser for the purpose of imaging small bioparticles carries the potential for structure determination at atomic resolution without the need for crystallization. In this study, we explore experimental strategies for this idea based on data collected at the Linac Coherent Light Source from 40 nm virus particles injected into a hard X-ray beam.



# Reproducible Data Analysis

## README.md

This repository provides a description of the data analysis tools used for a Flash X-ray Imaging (FXI) experiment which was performed at the Linac Coherent Light Source (LCLS) and is described in

Daurer B.J., Okamoto K., *et al.* Experimental strategies for imaging bioparticles with femtosecond hard X-ray pulses. *IUCrJ* 4, 3 (2017). <https://doi.org/10.1107/S2052252517003591>.

The data has been deposited in the Coherent X-ray Imaging Data Base (CXIDB) with ID 56 and can be downloaded from here: <http://cxidb.org/id-56.html>

### List of available files:

File name	Name	Description
<a href="http://cxidb.org/data/56/cxidb_56_hits.tar.gz">http://cxidb.org/data/56/cxidb_56_hits.tar.gz</a>	HITS	Diffraction hits saved as CXI files.
<a href="http://cxidb.org/data/56/cxidb_56_background.tar.gz">http://cxidb.org/data/56/cxidb_56_background.tar.gz</a>	BKGR	Diffraction background saved as CXI files.
<a href="http://cxidb.org/data/56/cxidb_56_metadata.tar.gz">http://cxidb.org/data/56/cxidb_56_metadata.tar.gz</a>	META	Auxiliary files.

### Inspecting CXI files

The easiest way to inspect CXI files is to use the viewing tool Owl (<http://github.com/FXIhub/owl>), but any inspection tool for HDF5 files can be used.

### Requirements

In order to be able to run all the provided scripts and jupyter notebooks, the following has to be installed:

- python 2.7
- numpy

# Current Status



- About 170 entries in the data bank.
- 650 TB of data, growing ~50% a year.
- Data from around the world (LCLS, FLASH, European XFEL, SACLA, SwissFEL, FERMI, PAL-XFEL, etc...)
- Storage and connectivity provided by NERSC/LBNL
- Recommended repository of Nature's *Scientific Data*, Gates Open Research, PLOS, etc...



**PLOS**



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# Future Challenges

- Storage and network resources
- Universal data standardisation
- Tighter integration with data stored at XFELs
- Easier data access, e.g. with Globus Online
- Online inspection and basic analysis tools



## Questions?