Compton Scattering of Picosecond Electron and CO₂ Laser Beams





Numbers and conclusions

- 60 MeV e-beam 0.5nC, 50µm RMS (to minimize background), 3.5ps
- CO2 laser, sub-terawatt at IP, $a_0{\sim}0.3~5J$ 30ps, 30 μm
- 2 10⁷ x-rays @ up to 6.5KeV per pulse (>10⁸ x-rays in high background mode)
- + 2.5% in the second harmonic >10 keV after 10 μm Ag foil
- Rotation of the laser polarization leads to rotation of the peaks in the second harmonic
- Increase of the laser pulse duration to 200ps with the same energy eliminated nonlinear part with small change in the linear signal