



High performance CEP-stable few-cycle fiber-laser system for XUV generation

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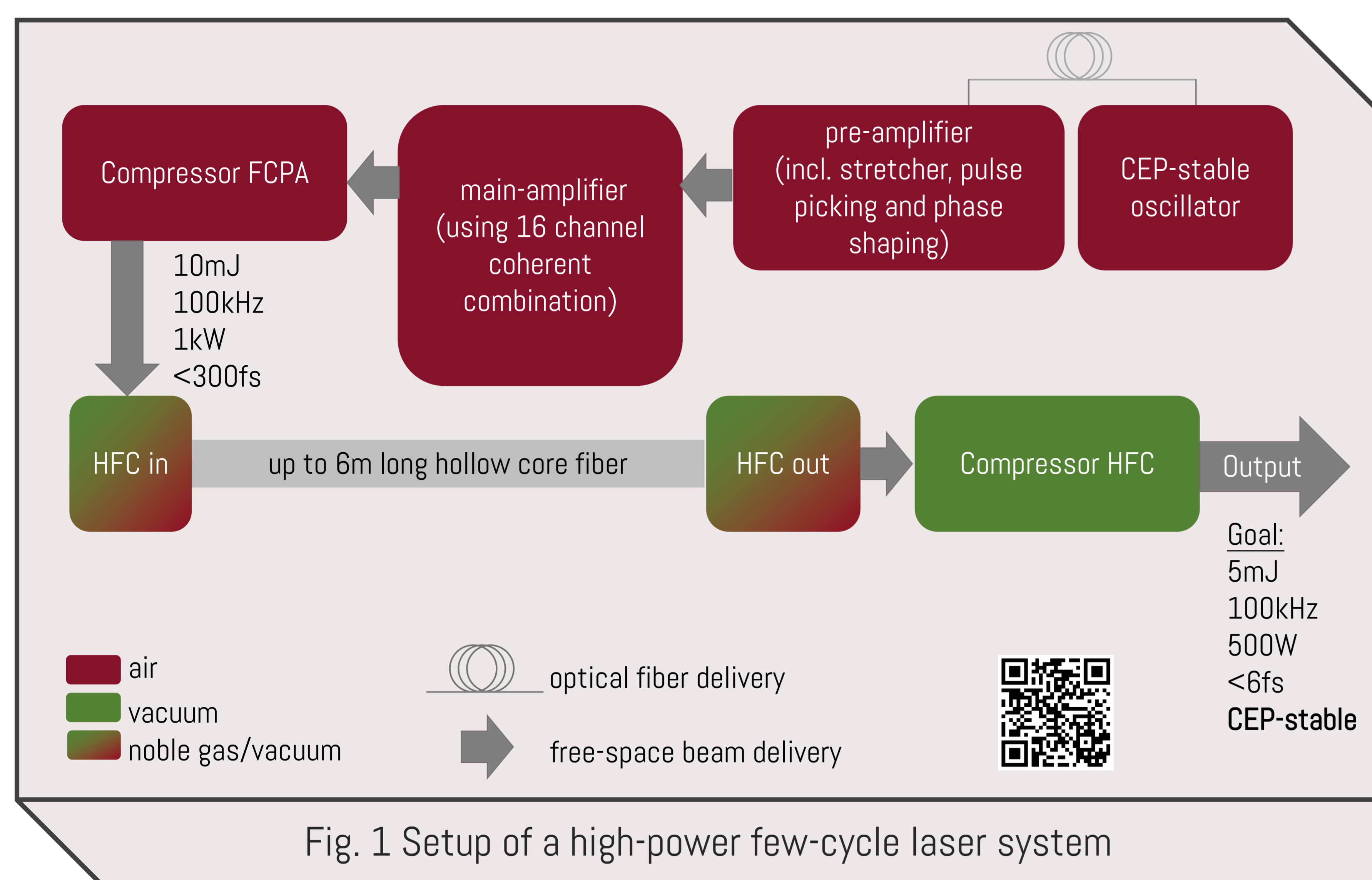


Fig. 1 Setup of a high-power few-cycle laser system

Long-term stable 10mJ/1kW/300fs CPA:

- 0.3% average power RMS deviation (9hours)
- 9 μ rad pointing RMS deviation (9hours)
- $M^2 < 1.1$
- Enables nonlinear compression to few-cycle with >60% efficiency

▪ 580W input \rightarrow 320W output

▪ Multi-mJ few-cycle pulses @100kHz

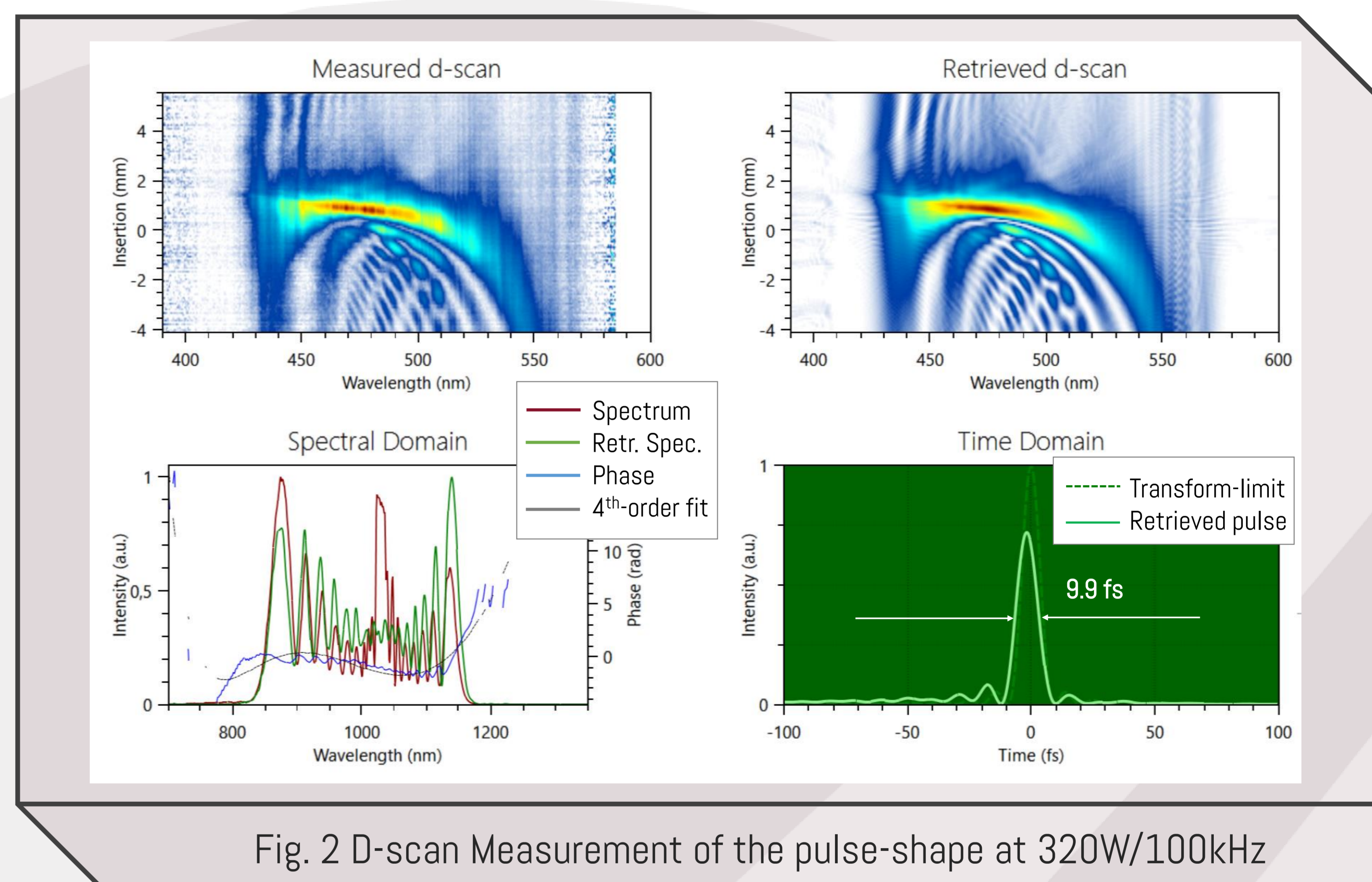


Fig. 2 D-scan Measurement of the pulse-shape at 320W/100kHz

T. Nagy et al., 'Generation of 3-cycle multi-mJ laser pulses at 318 W average power', accepted by Optica (2019)

Tunable
Table-top
XUV source

Possible parameter set

- Wavelength: 13.5nm (90eV)
- Photon flux: $\geq 5 \cdot 10^{10}$ photons/s
- Energy bandwidth: $\leq 1\%$
- Repetition rate: 100kHz – few MHz

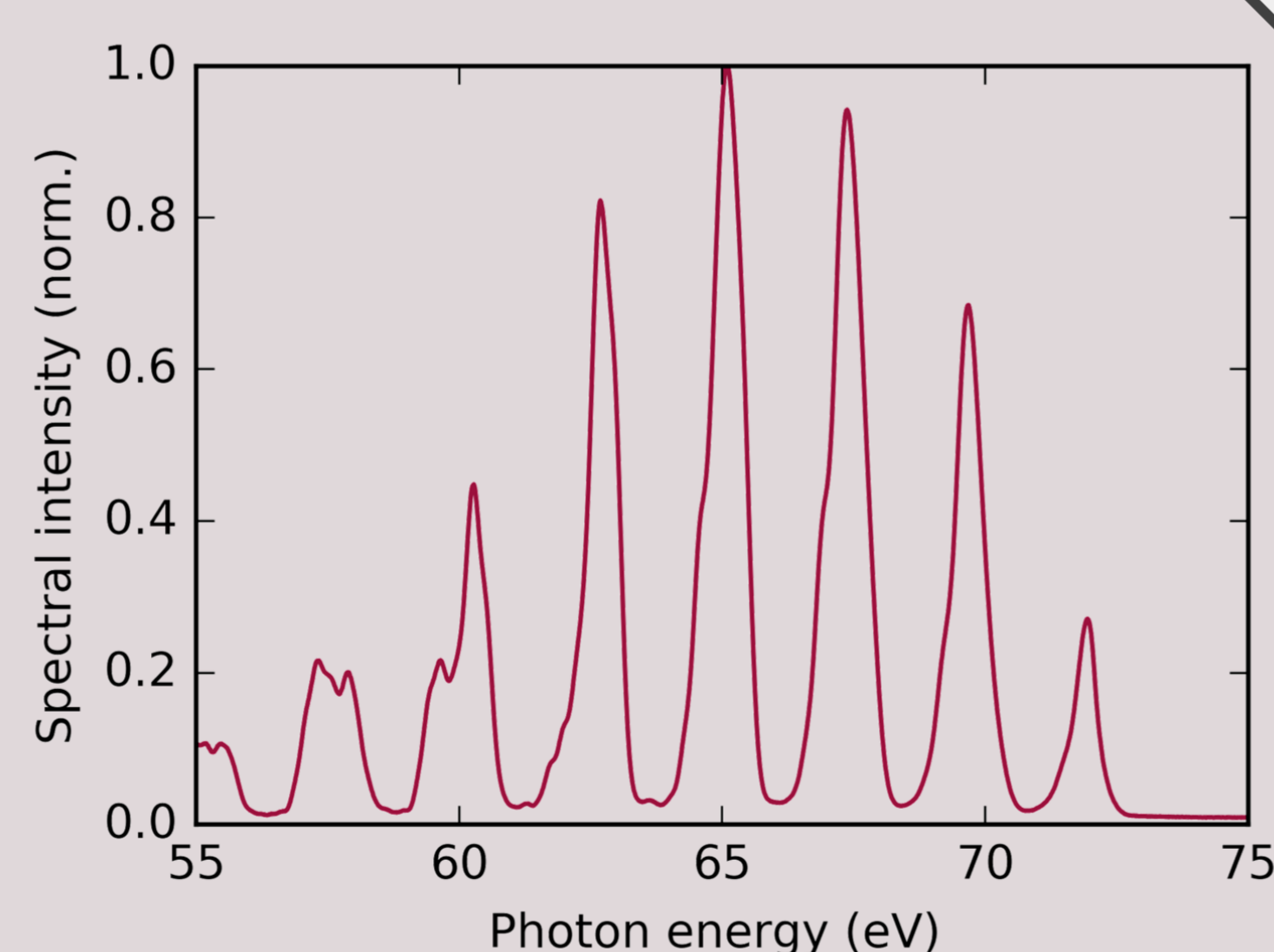


Fig. 3 Possible parameters and exemplary HHG spectrum (optimized for 68.8eV)

Summary

- Significant up-scaling of the average power of **stretched hollow-core-fibers**
- Generation of **multi-mJ, 320W, sub-10fs** pulses in a 6m long, 400 μ m inner-diameter fiber
- Ideal driver for **XUV generation** at high photon energies **up to 150eV**

