Making Nanobeams of 10 nm diameter at 8 keV with tapered leaded glass capillary

Abstract: it may be possible to overcome the slope error limits and aberrations of x-rays optics to choose a tandem set of optics to compress an x-ray beam to 10 nm beamsize. The first set need to be fairly good at preserving brilliance with large demagnification ratios. Suitable elements are zone plates, KB mirrors, refractive lenses, etc. The final stage of compression could utilize leaded glass as a) aperture, or after more development, b) a low gain, multibounce condensing capillary. Since x-rays can not travel far in leaded glass, the beam size is determined largely by the exit hole diameter and not by the aberrations in the optic.

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Schematic only, not to scale



Tapered Capillary to Squeeze X-rays to 10 nm diameter

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