



Innovate for Sustainable Accelerating Systems WP2: Low Level RF Controls

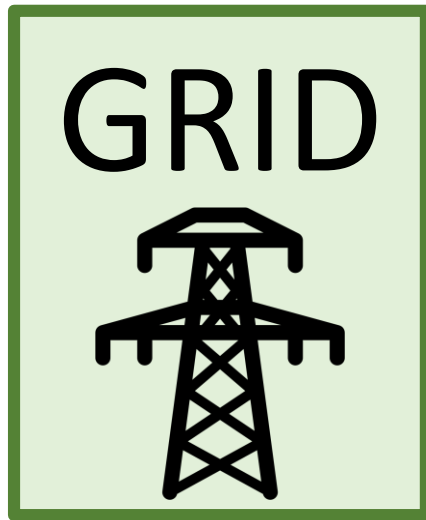
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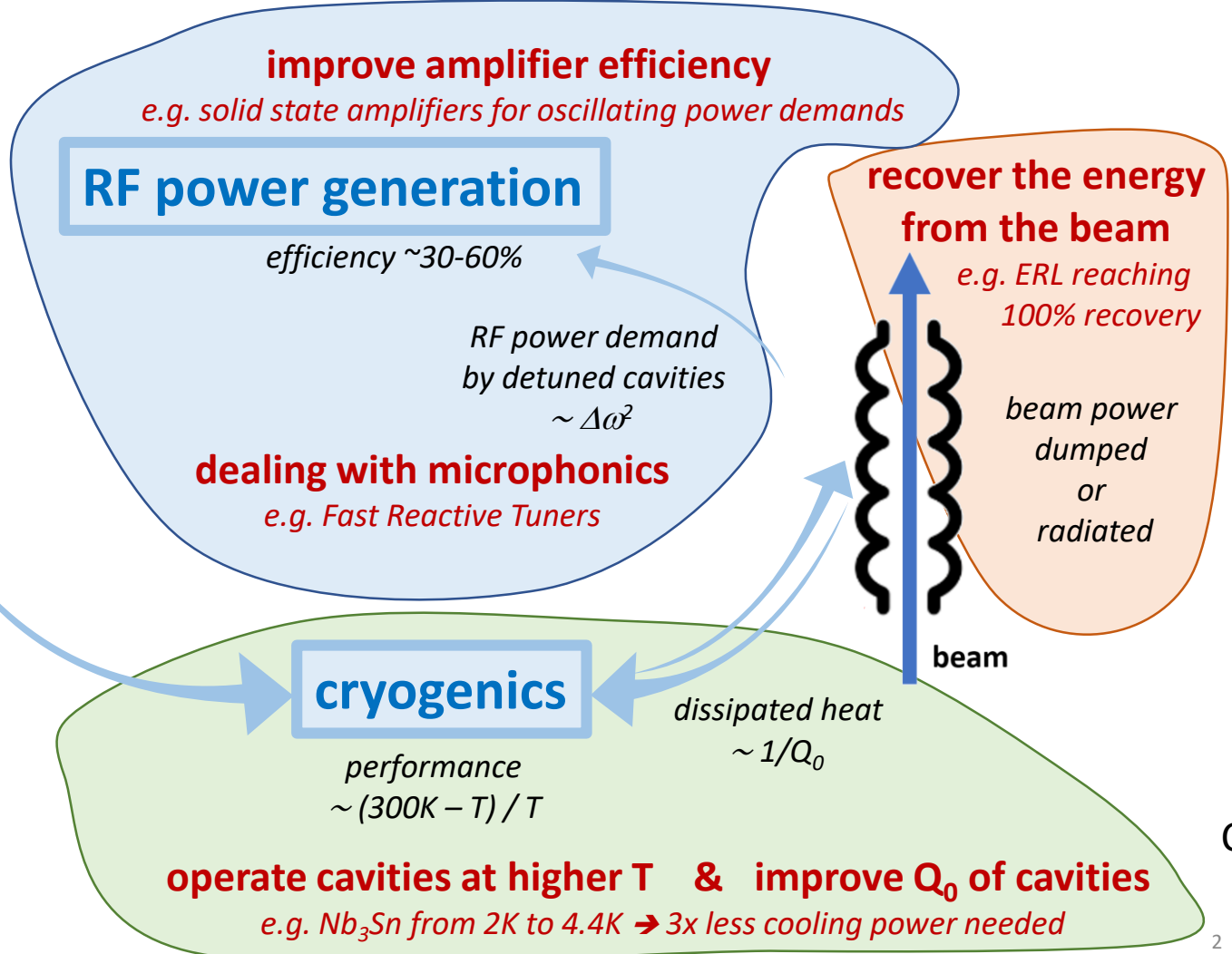


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From Grid to Beam



mitigation with novel technologies

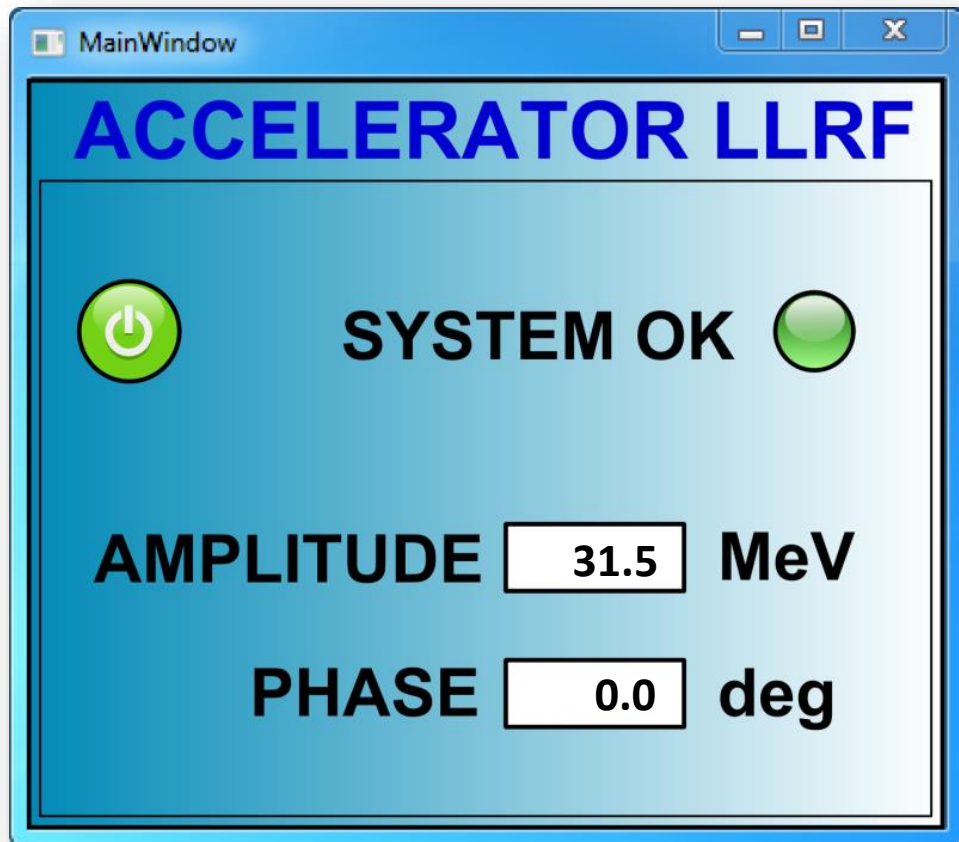


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Ideally what we would like to have:



And meets:

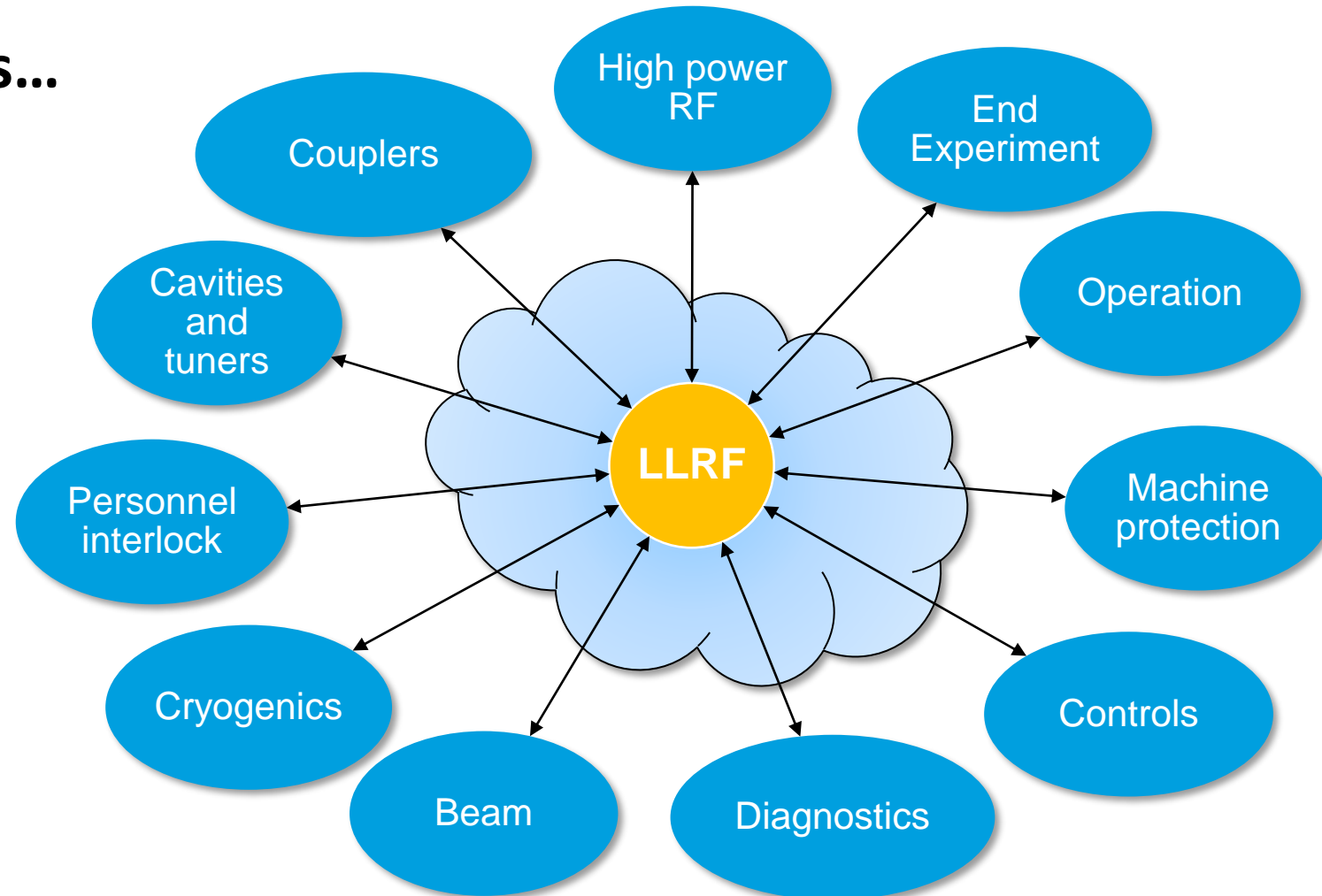
- Ampl. & Phase stability
- Operates reliably
- Is maintainable & upgradable
- Adopts parameter changes e.g. $I_b(t)$
- Compensates environmental changes
- Identifies faults in the system
- **Minimizes DC power consumption!**

Advanced automation



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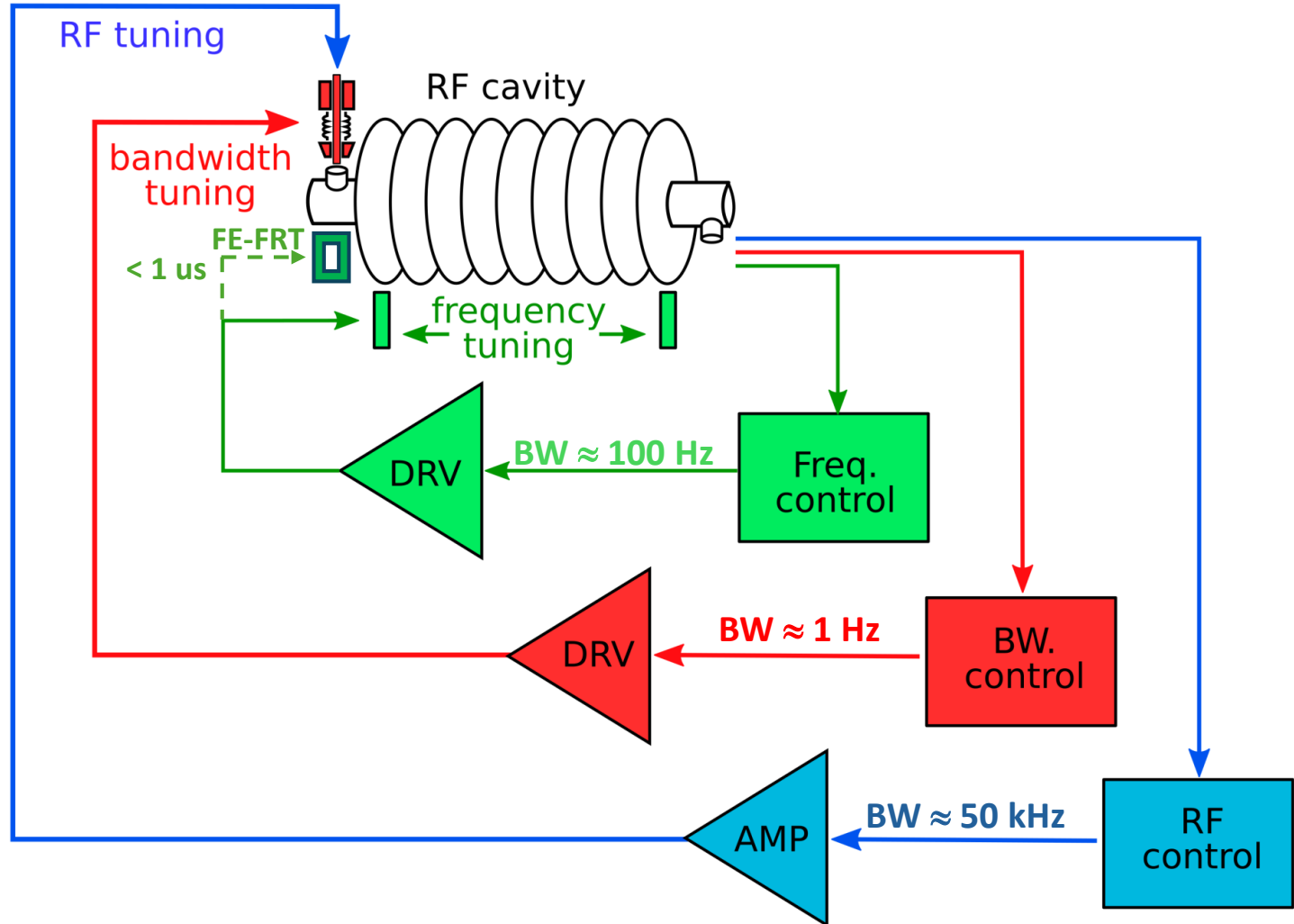
Many interfaces...





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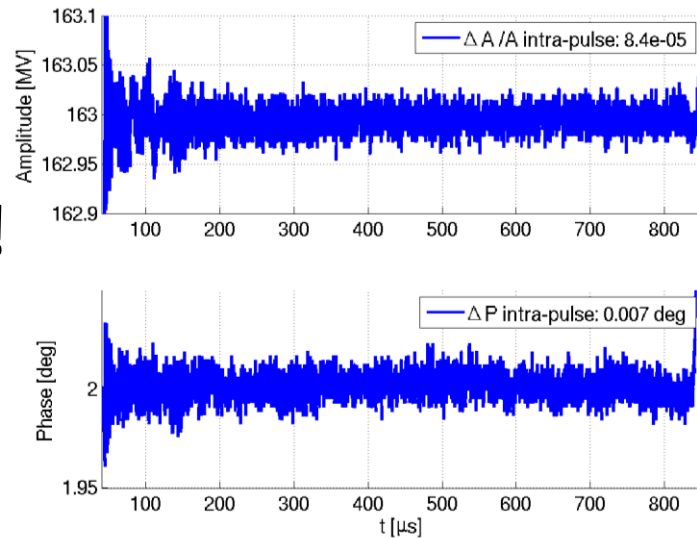
LLRF control tasks:





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High stability!



Amplitude
 $< 10^{-4}$

Phase
 $< 0.01^\circ$

LLRF CONTROL A8.L3

Switch to: A2.L1

Main Control

Voltage $\text{○○○○} \cdot \text{○○}$ H
max 744 MV
699.90 MV

Phase $\text{^A^A^A^A} \cdot \text{^A^A}$ H
25.05 deg

Station on FSM on

RF running

FSM Amplitude SP MV

Feedforward
 Output vector correction
 Feedback
 Feedforward correction
 Learning FF
 Beam loading compensation

Subsystems

Modulator Kly Timing RF Gate On Beam

Master Slave Coupler

Timing Timing outTune Tuner

MPS MPS Tuner Script CPIM

Rack Rack PSM

KLM Watchdog RPC test

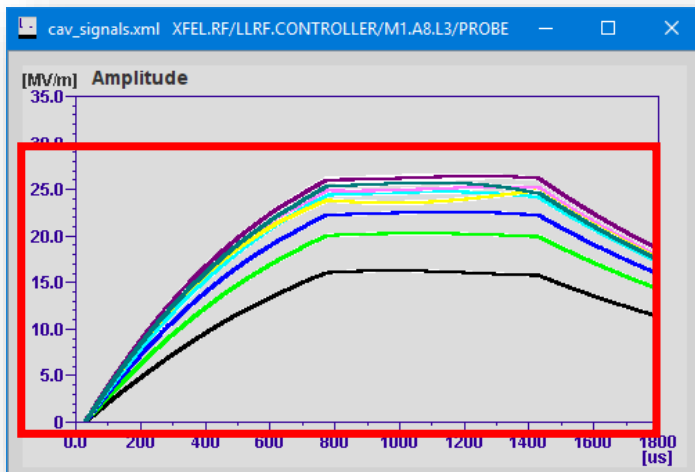
Status

Limiters/Synch ok DCM - M1 Cavity tuning status
RAW ena DCM - M2 DCM - M3 Slopes active
DCM - M4

1st Module	2nd Module	3rd Module	4th Module	RF station
Probe C1	Probe C1	Probe C1	Probe C1	Cav
PVS C2	PVS C2	PVS C2	PVS C2	
A/P C3	A/P C3	A/P C3	A/P C3	VForw
VForw C4	VForw C4	VForw C4	VForw C4	
PVS C5	PVS C5	PVS C5	PVS C5	VRef
A/P C6	A/P C6	A/P C6	A/P C6	
VRef C7	VRef C7	VRef C7	VRef C7	VRef
PVS C8	PVS C8	PVS C8	PVS C8	

Amplitude [MV] vs t [μs]

Phase [deg] vs t [μs]



Feed Forward + Learning FF

Feed Forward On
 Correction tables
 LFF Enable

Output Vector Correction

On Ampl $\text{○○○○} \cdot \text{○○}$ 0.3630
Phase $\text{^A^A^A^A} \cdot \text{^A^A}$ 94.25
Ratio ○○○○ 0.370

Feedback

FB MIMO BLC Enable

Output limiter Enable

Close FB?

Ampl err 0.001
Phase err 0.001

Pulse settings

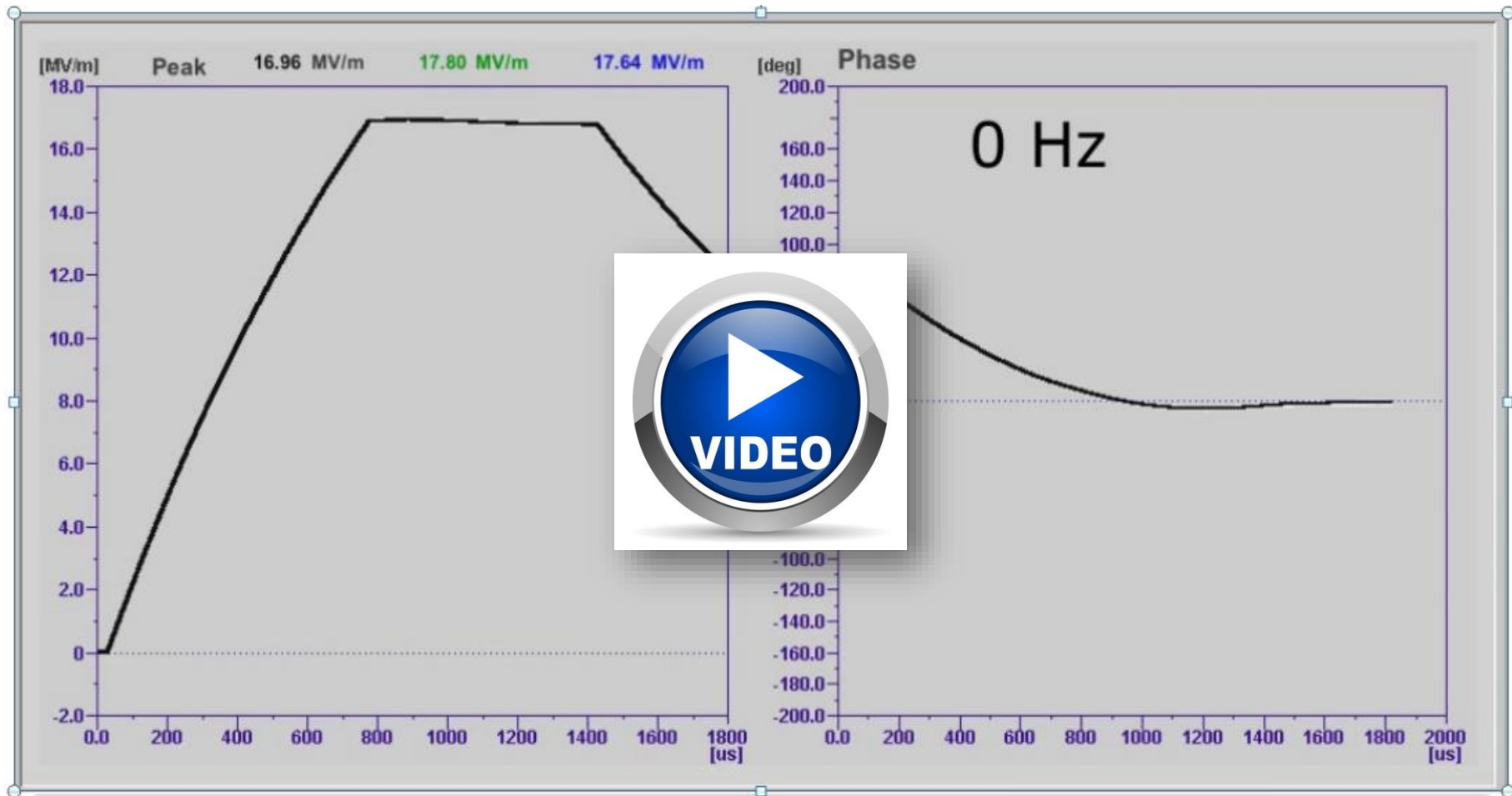
intra-pulse
dA/A 0.0060 %
dP 0.0055 deg
pulse to pulse
dA/A 0.0017 %
dP 0.0018 deg

Delay 20 us
Filling ○○○○ 750
Flattop ○○○○ 650



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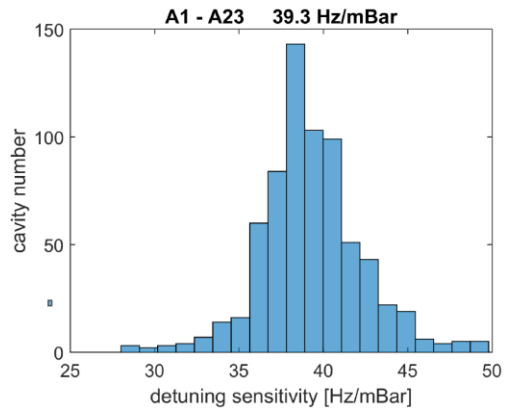
Impact of cavity tuning...





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Impact of cryogenic ...

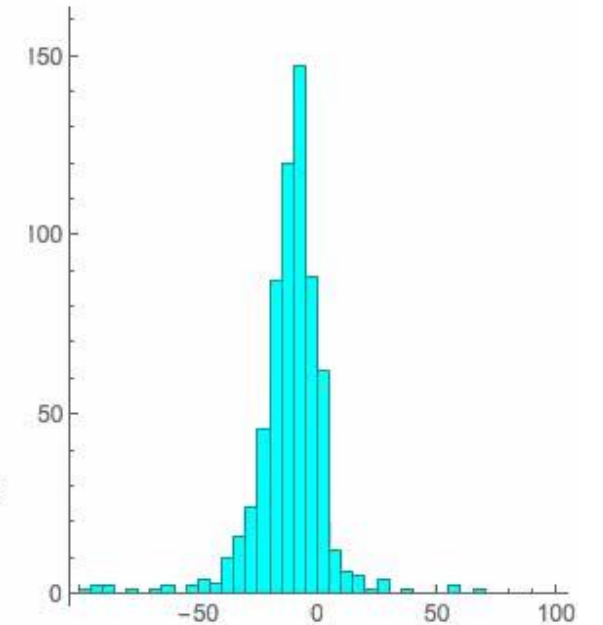
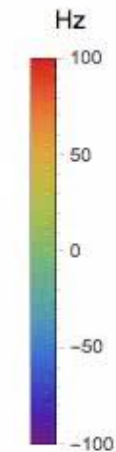


40 Hz/mBar for
1.3 GHz cavities

62 Hz/mBar for
3.9 GHz cavities



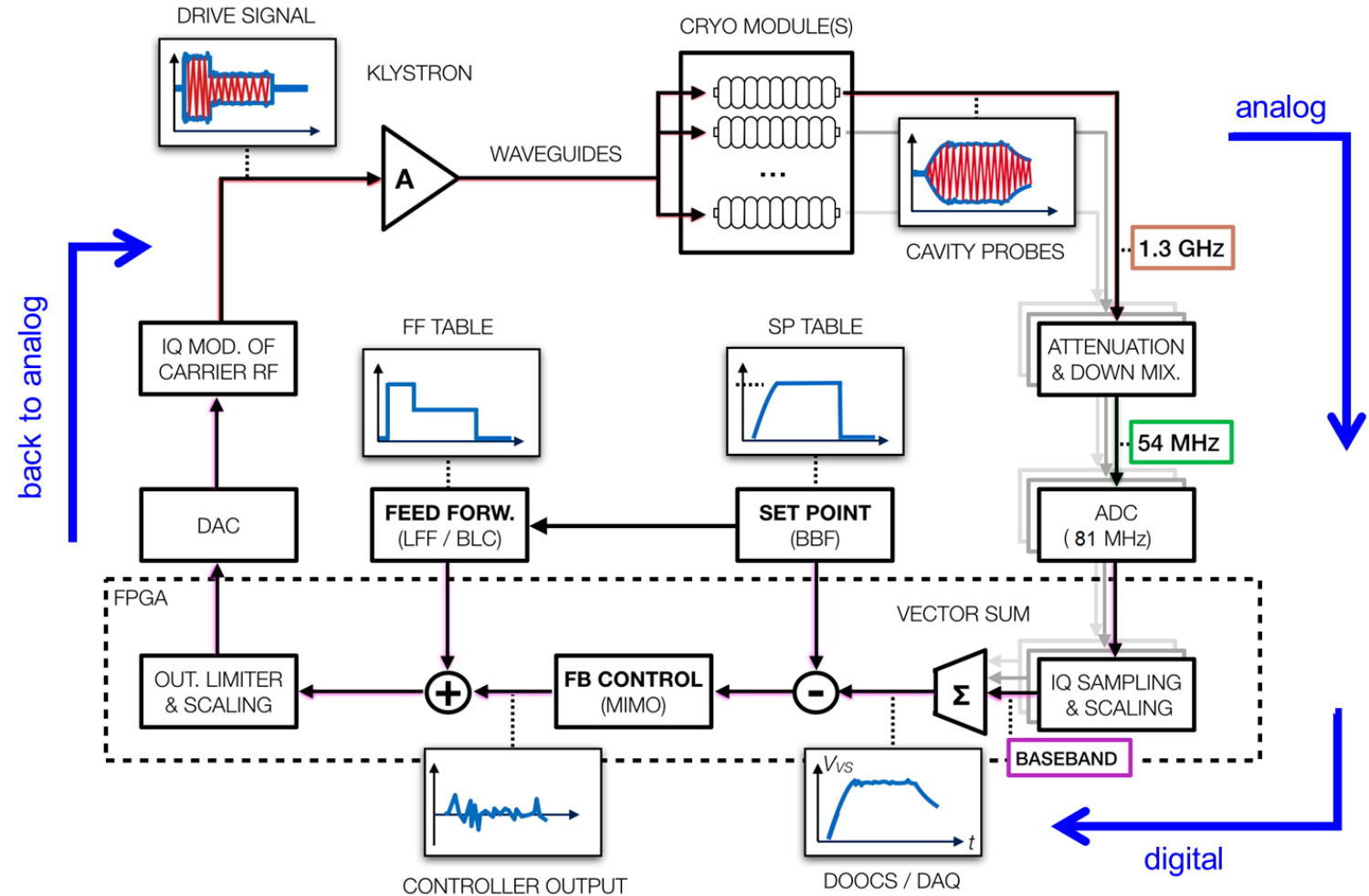
Average -10.0 Hz





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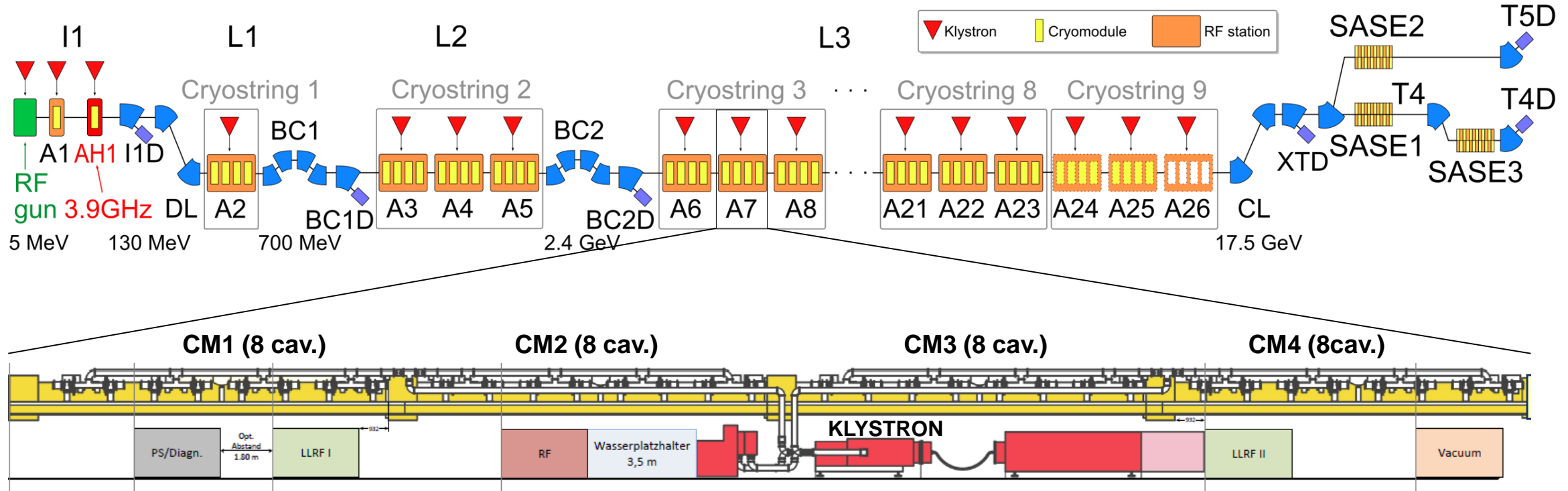
Regulation loop EuXFEL





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The European XFEL Accelerator : one RF station



- 10 MW klystron to power 32 cavities
- one accelerating field RF control FB loop
- remote frequency tuning (motor / piezo) / cavity
- remote phase and external coupling tuning / cavity

- average coupler peak power 102 kW (140 kW) for low (high) runs
- average gradient 18.5 MV/m (22.5 MV/m) for low (high) runs
- average detuning +/- 10 Hz
- average $Q_{\text{ext}} = 4.6e6$ average $Q_0 = 1e10$



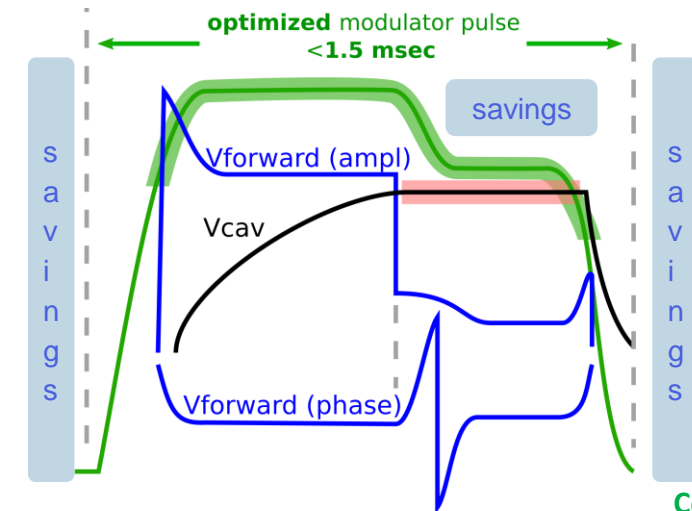
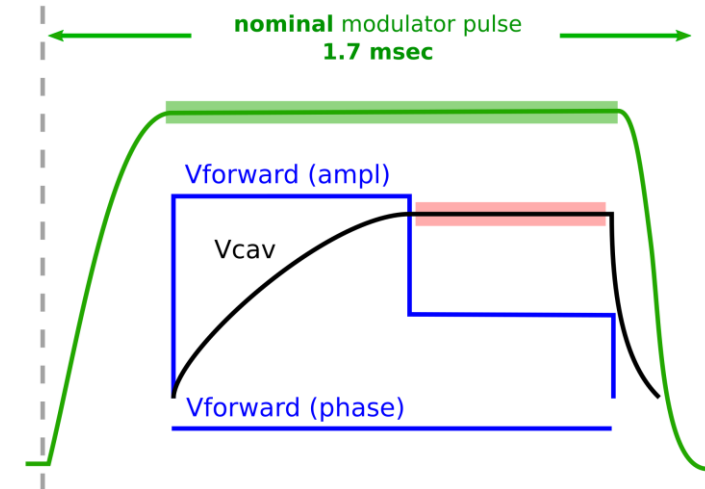
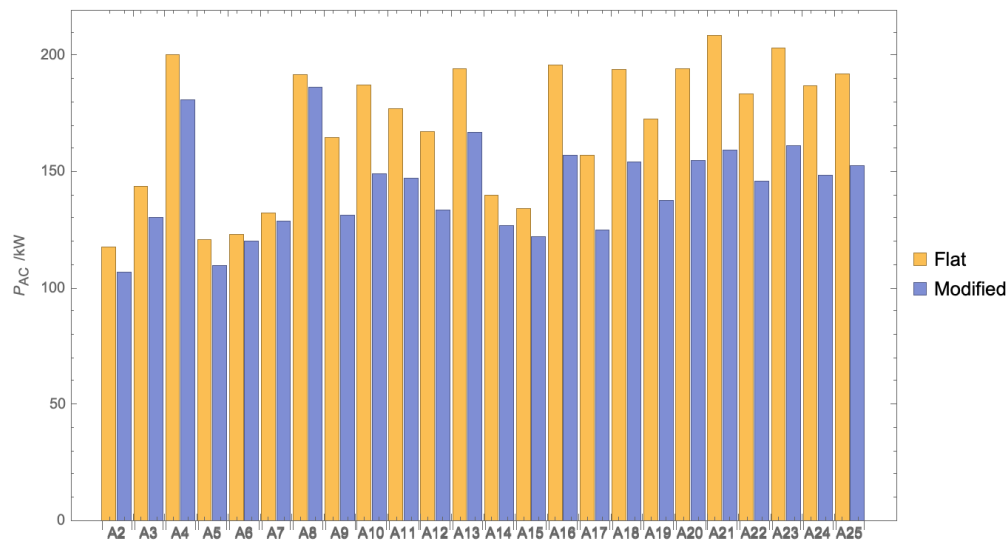
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Reduce energy consumption @ EuXFEL



Successive iterations, implemented over the last 2+ years

- Shorten modulator pulse : 1700 msec → 1500 msec
- Step down 15-20% over 100 usec
- Implemented on **17/20** stations in L3
- Estimated additional power savings ~ **650 kW** (out of 5 MW total power)



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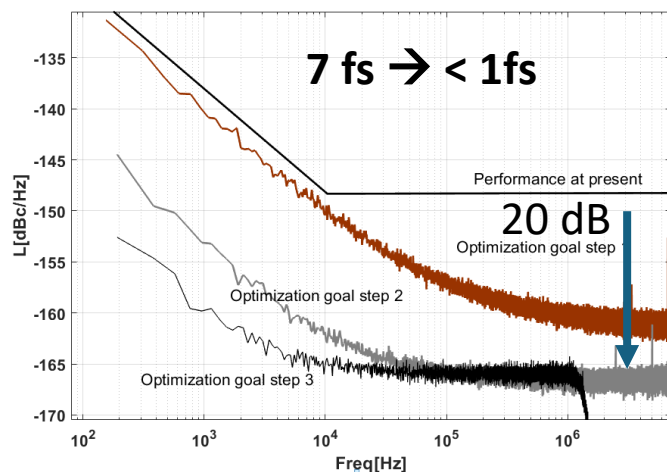
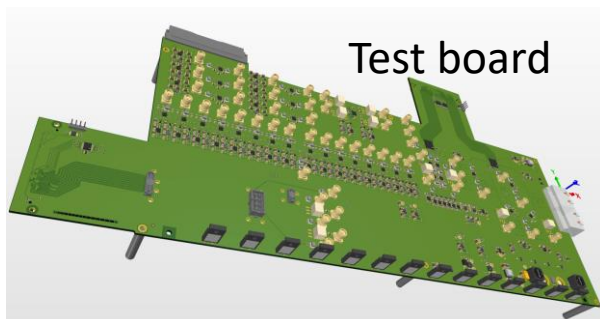


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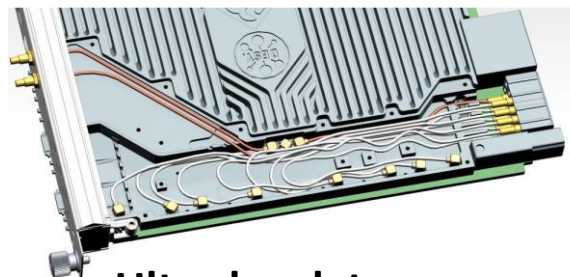
Field detector development ...

- ➔ Higher performance
- ➔ Better diagnostics
- ➔ Lower latency

1) LN-ADC (~ 2025 as AMC)

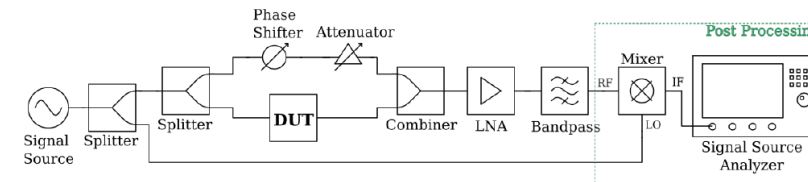


2) RFSoc (~ 2026 as AMC)

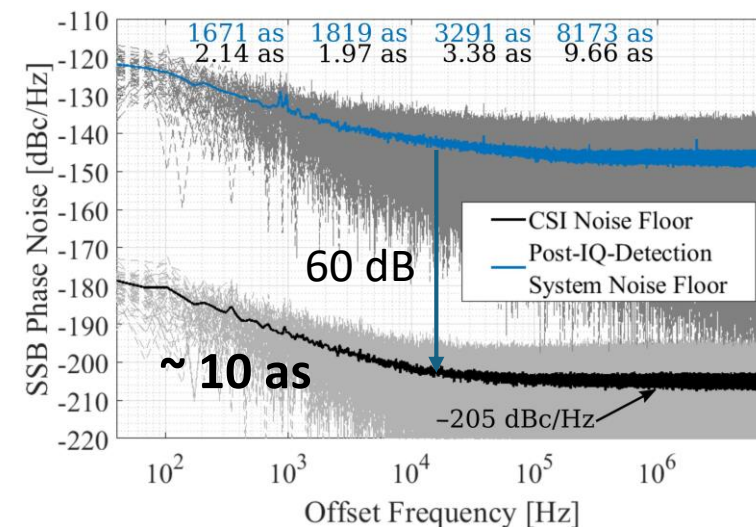


Ultra-low latency
Rapid prototyping

3) Carrier Suppression Interferometer



Ultra LN-noise RF-MO essential



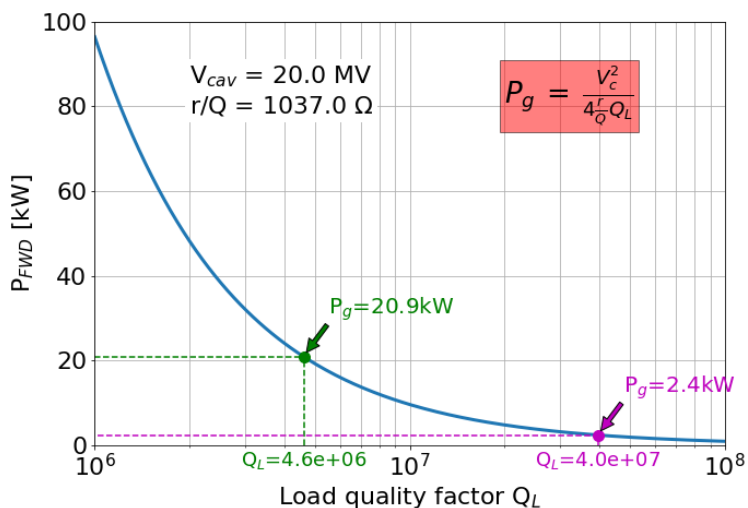
iSAS motivation & challenges

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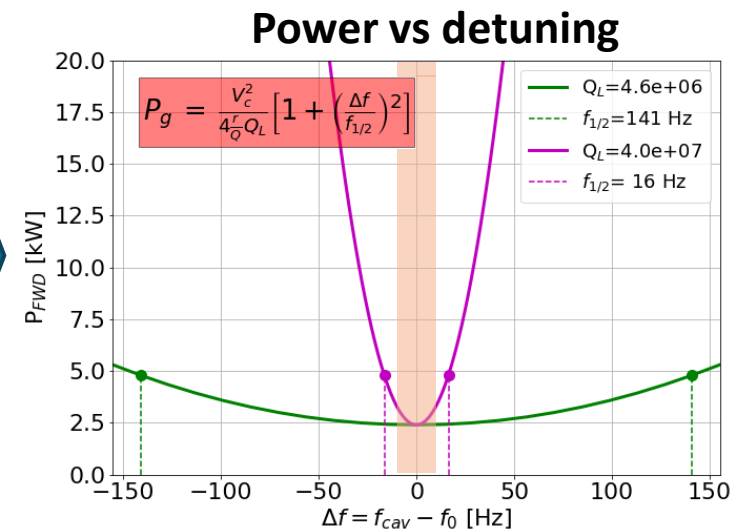
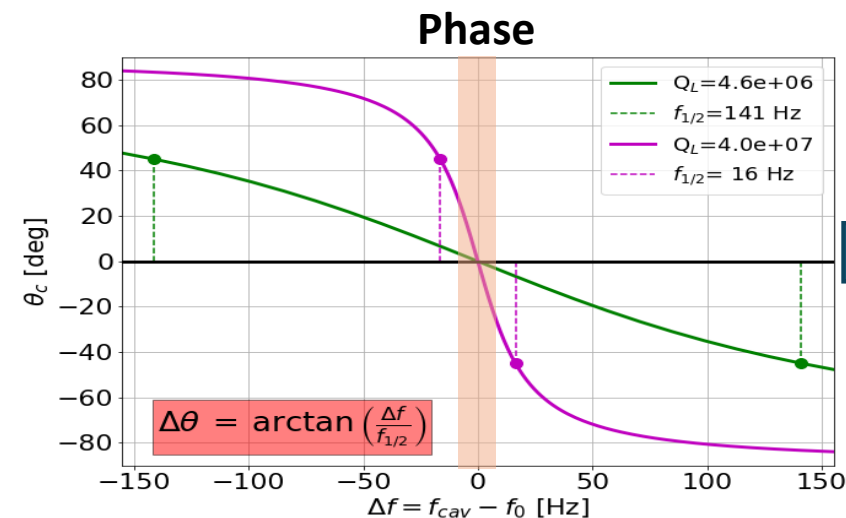
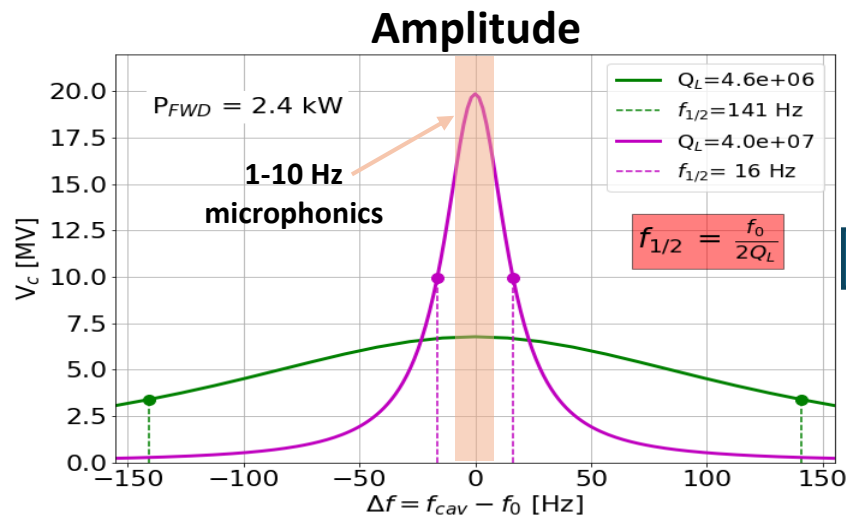
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Impact of Q_L



WP2.2:
Optimizing & tuning Q_L

WP2.3:
Microphonics control



Cav. Tuner ~ 300 kHz/mm

1 nm → 1 deg phase change

Excellent strain meters!

EuXFEL $\delta\theta_p < 0.01$ deg

→ **Equivalent to 10 pm**

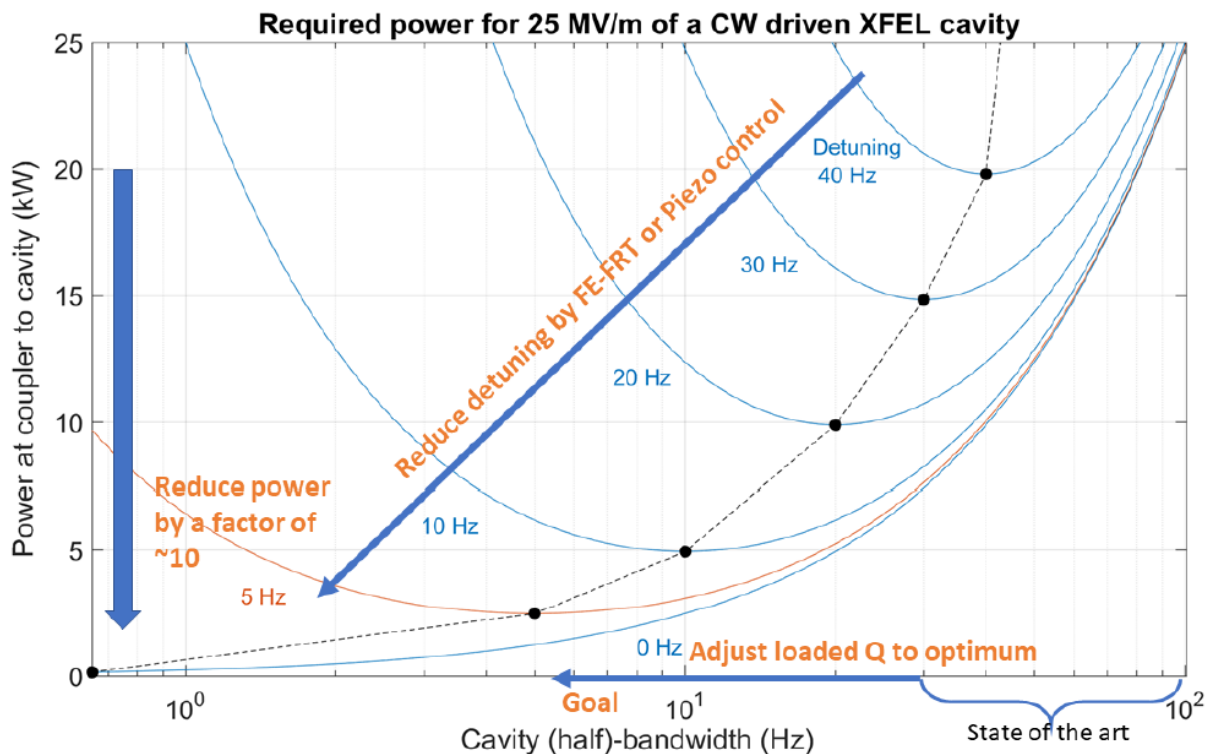
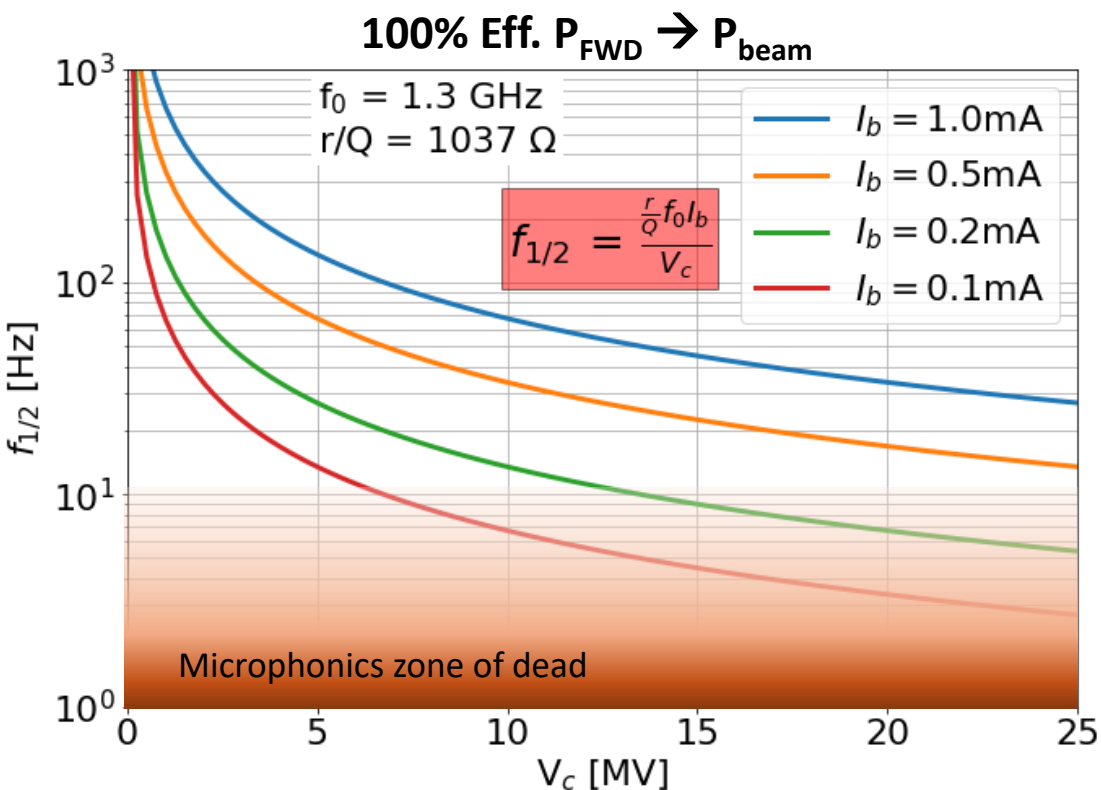
→ **RF feedback overhead**



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Q_L range of interests:

$$P_g = \frac{V_c^2}{4 \frac{r}{Q} Q_L} \left[\left(1 + \frac{\frac{r}{Q} Q_L I_b}{V_c} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta f}{f_{1/2}} \right)^2 \right] \Rightarrow Q_{L,opt} = \frac{V_c}{\frac{r}{Q} I_b}$$





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Introduction

Q_L low

Lorentz force detuning...

Cavity equation:

$$\dot{V}_I = \omega_{1/2} [-V_I + yV_Q + V_{g,I}]$$

$$\dot{V}_Q = \omega_{1/2} [-V_Q - yV_I + V_{g,Q}]$$

Detuning:

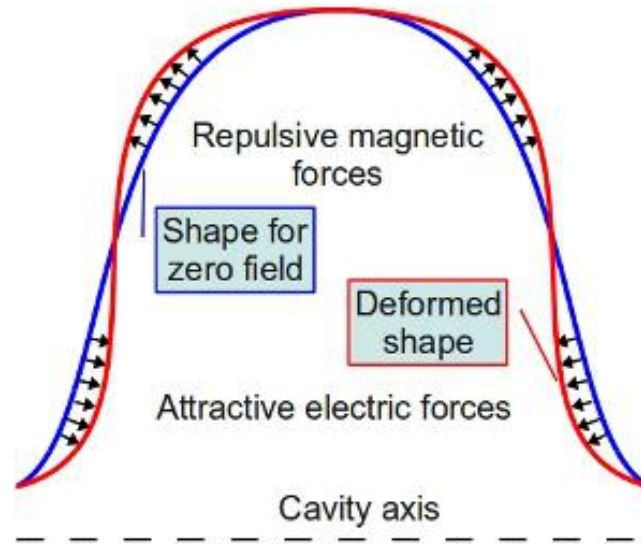
$$\Delta\omega = \omega_{1/2} y$$

Non-linear coupling:

$$y = y_* + K_{lfd} V_{acc}^2$$

$$k_{lfd} \approx -1 \text{ Hz}/(\text{MV}/\text{m})^2$$

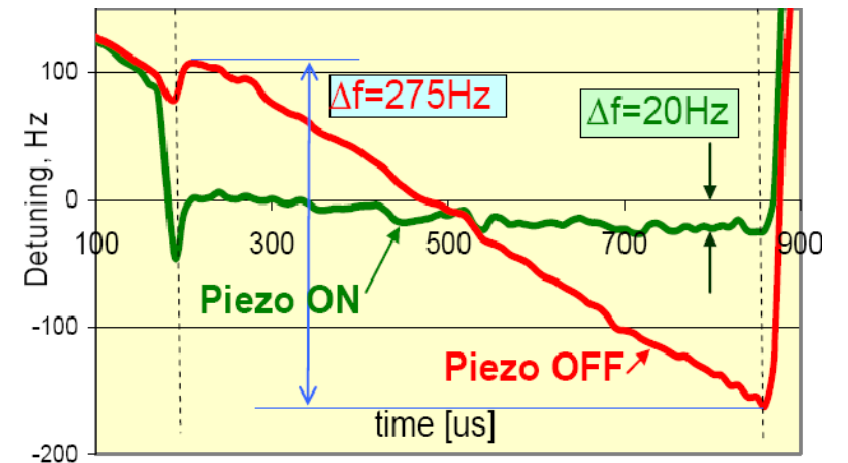
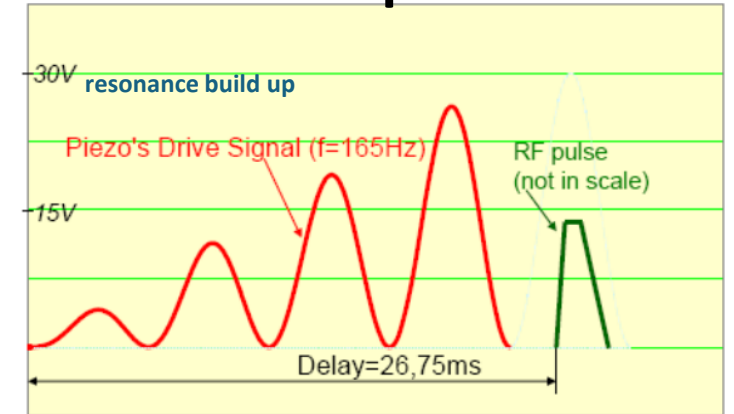
20 MV/m → 400 Hz huge!!!



$$P_s = \frac{1}{4} (\mu |\vec{H}|^2 - \epsilon_0 |\vec{E}|^2)$$

$$\Delta f_0 = (f_0)_2 - (f_0)_1 = -K E_{acc}^2$$

Pulsed Operation



Example from FNAL 2007
R. Carcagno et al. SRF 2007



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Introduction

Q_L high & CW

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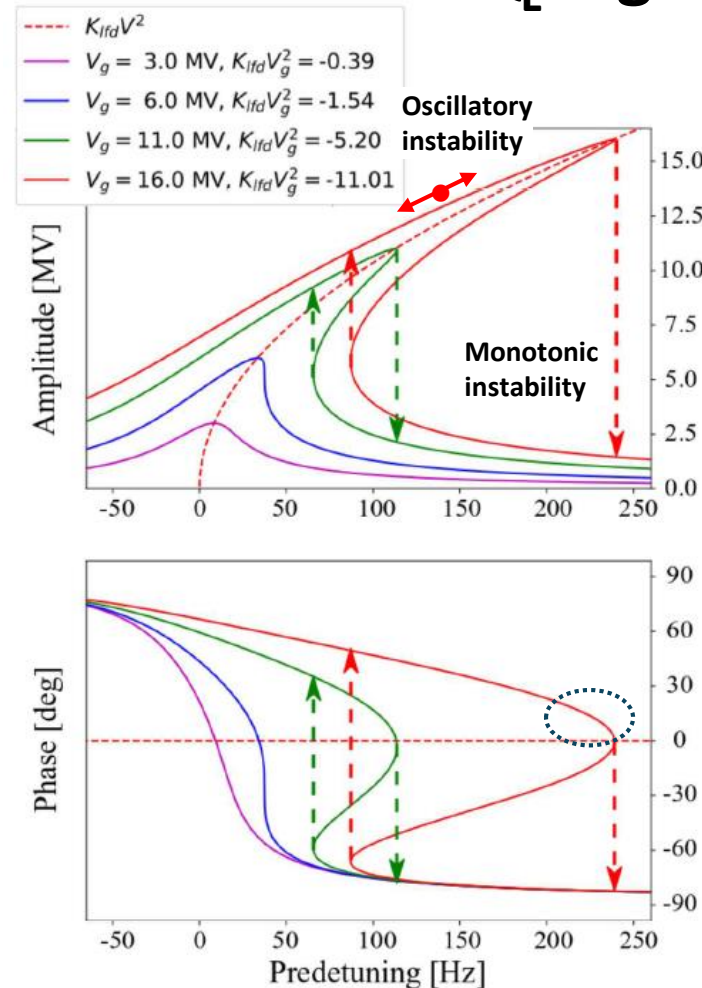
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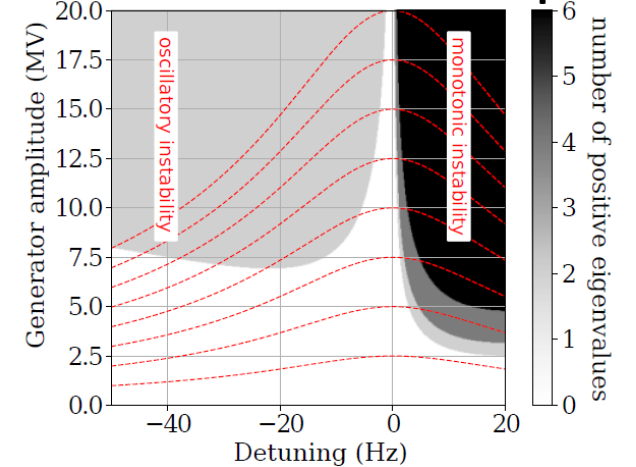
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Ponderomotive inst. map



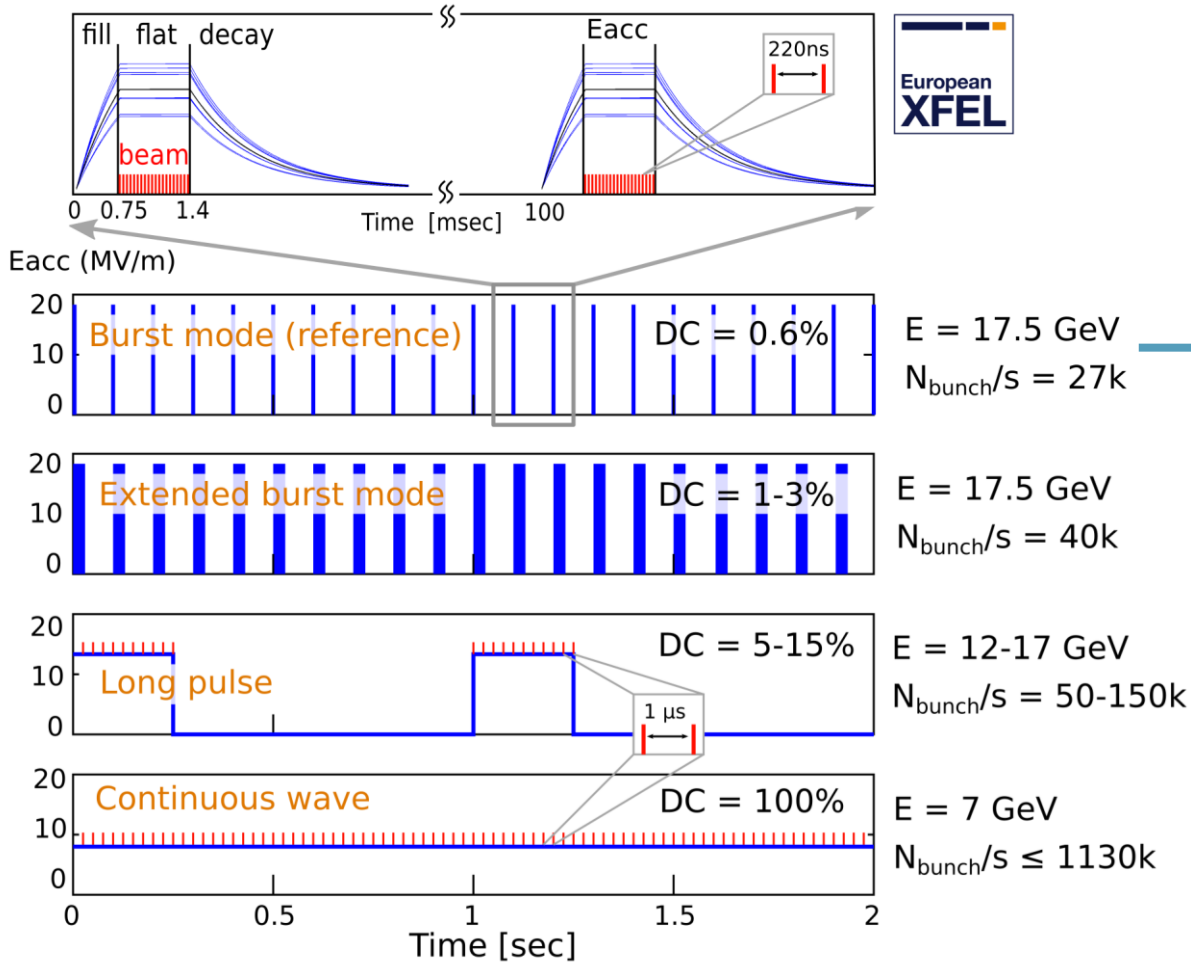
Tricky to operated at high gradient:

- Often SEL → GDR for ramping up used
- Non-linear phase change w.r.t detuning
- Operation only with RF-FB on
- LP ... careful piezo FF needed
- Mechanical osc. → interrupts operation
- May exhibit cav – cav. cross-talk

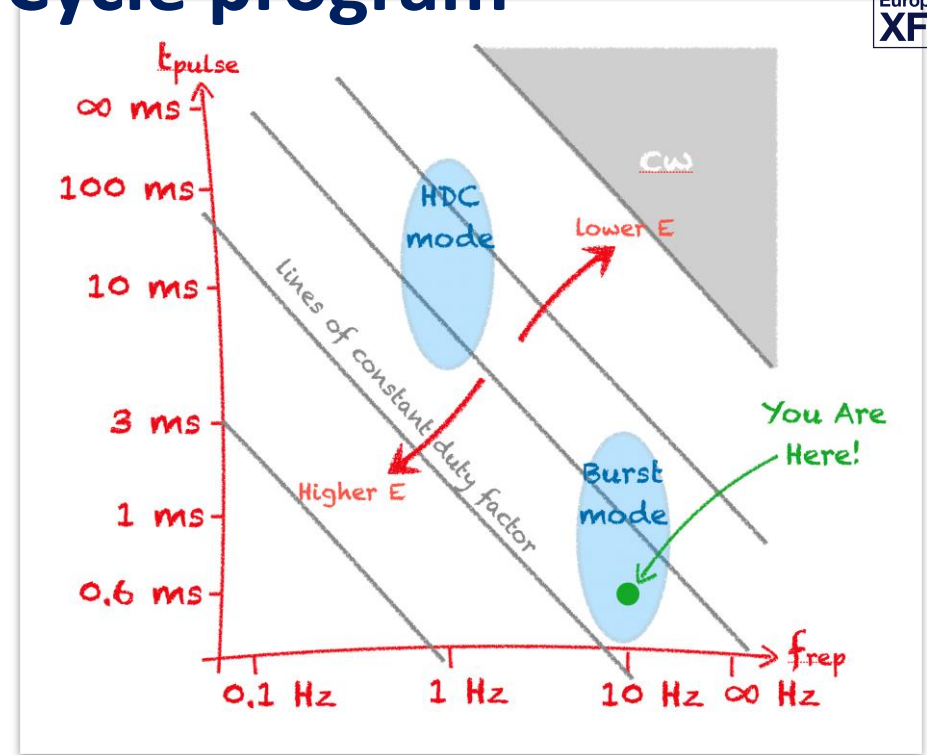
High Duty-Cycle Program @EuXFEL



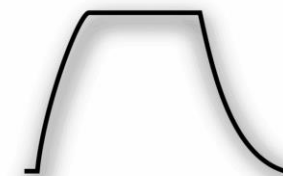
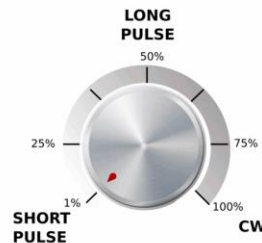
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TODAY



High Duty Cycle (HDC)



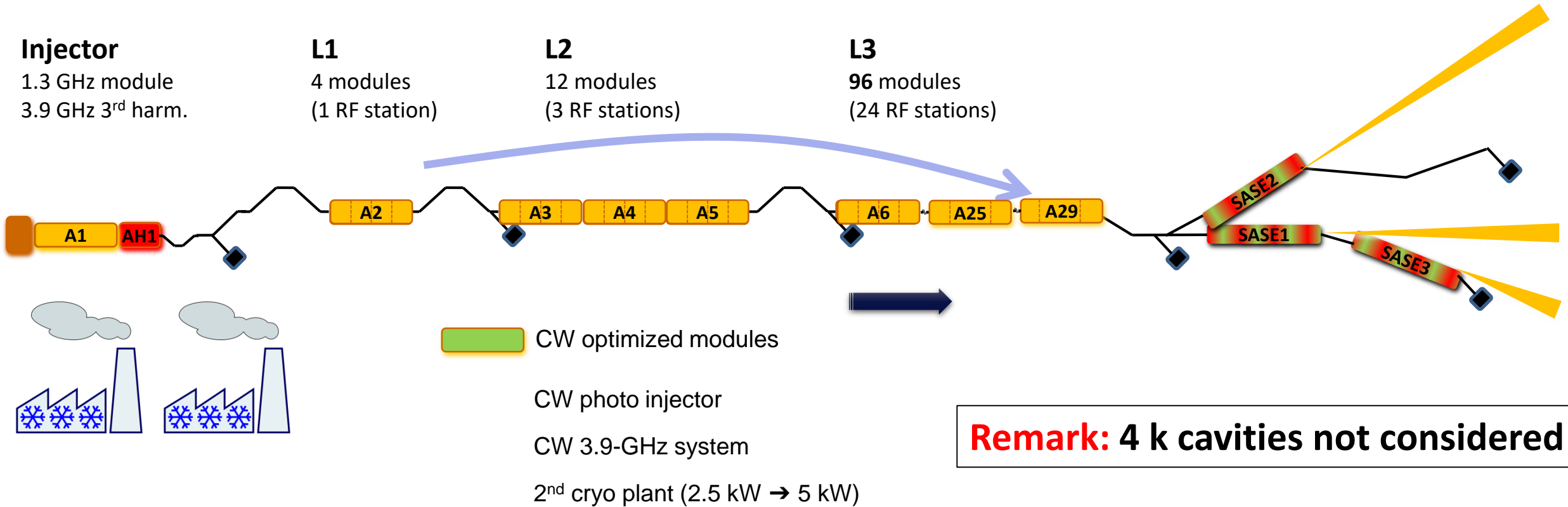
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Original CW upgrade proposal (canonical upgrade)



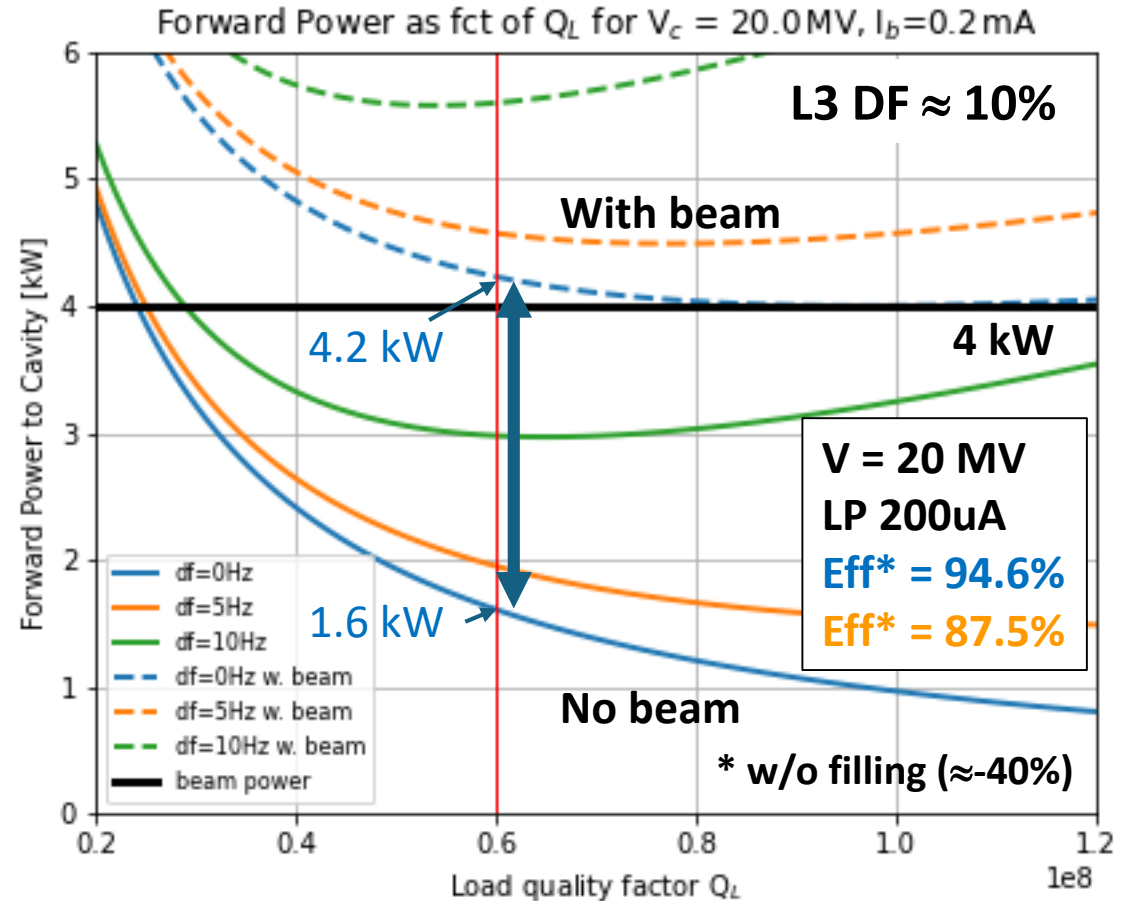
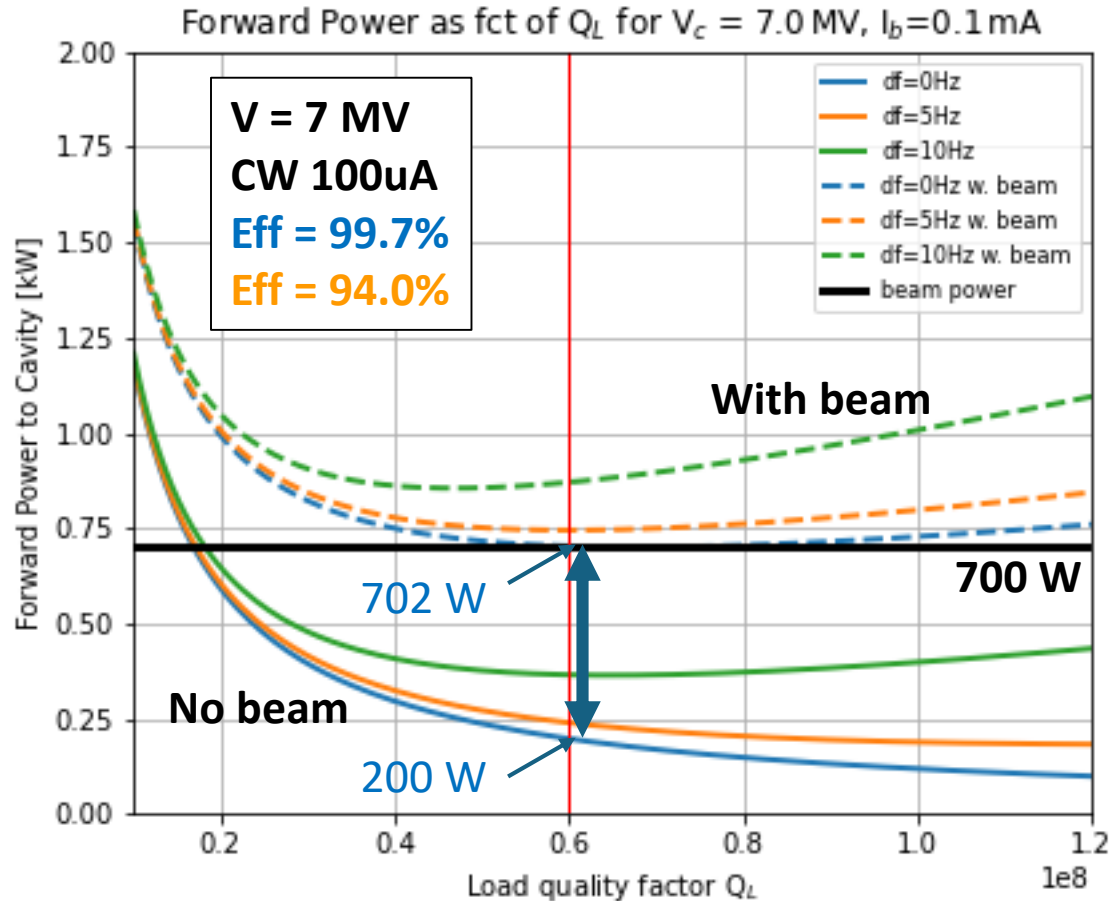


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Example: EuXFEL L3, CW / LP operation



Transfer efficiency RF → Beam



Remark: EuFEL I_{beam} often changes [0..100%] → P varies ≈ x 3 → adopt SSAM drain voltage



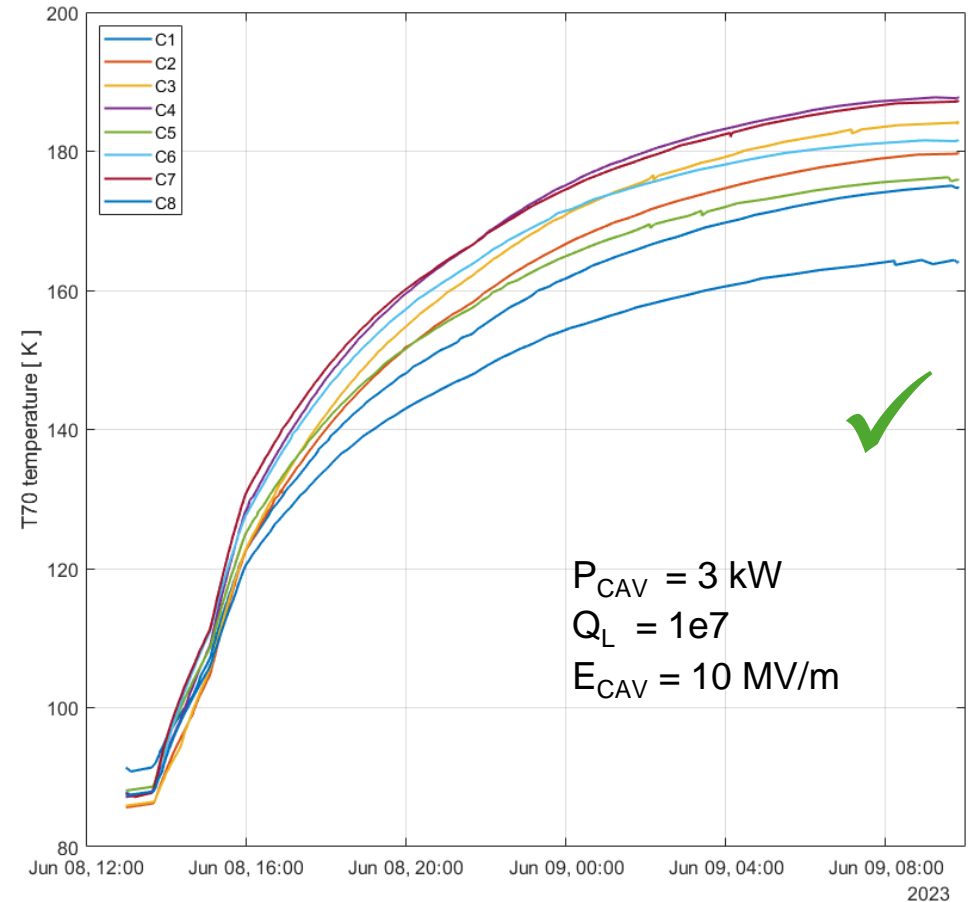
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EuXFEL HDC: Coupler heating & Quench limit



Tests at CMTB to investigate the suitability of series cryomodules for CW/LP operation

- Checking **heating** (and thermal equilibrium) of fundamental input power couplers
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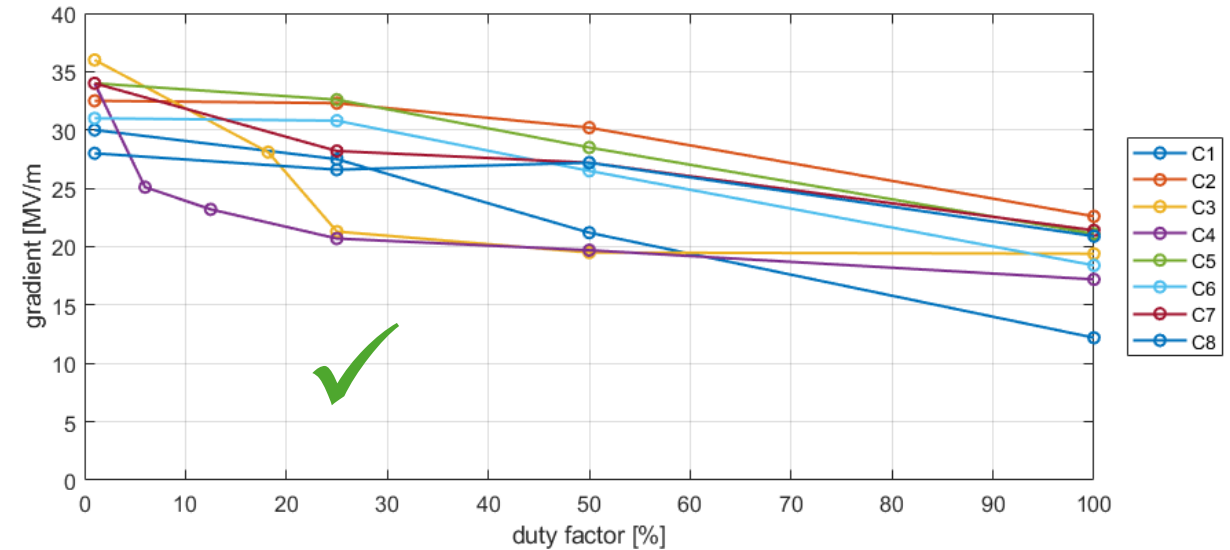


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■ Checking **quench limit** as a function of duty factor

On average, for DF of up **25%**, cavities can reach **> 85%** of the pulsed quench limit



	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8	<Emax > [MV/m]
DF [%]	Emax [MV/m]	Emax [MV/m]	Emax [MV/m]	Emax [MV/m]	Emax [MV/m]	Emax [MV/m]	Emax [MV/m]	Emax [MV/m]	Emax [MV/m]
1.3	30	32.5	36	34	34	31	34	28	32.5
6				25.1					
12.5			28.1	23.2					
18.2									
25	27.5	32.3	21.3	20.7	32.6	30.8	28.2	26.6	27.5
50	21.2	30.2	19.5	19.7	28.5	26.5	27.2	27.2	25
100	12.2	22.6	19.4	17.2	21.1	18.4	21.4	20.9	19.2

Courtesy: J. Branlard

WP2 Program



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DESY, HZB, CNRS

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Task 2.1: Coordination of R&D on LLRF – M1-M48

Task 2.2: Efficient field control for high loaded-quality factor cavities – M1-M48

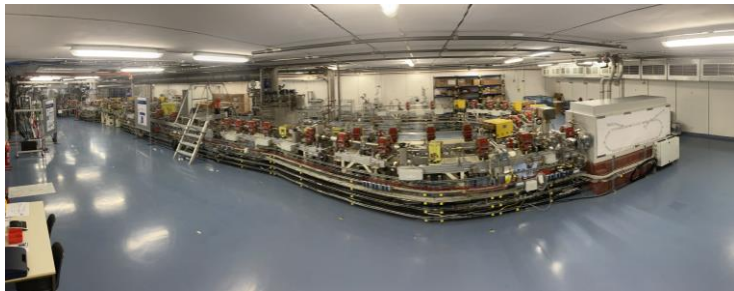
Task 2.3: Vibration analysis and detuning control of cavities – M1-M36

Task 2.4: Integrated LLRF control using Ferro-Electric Fast Reactive Tuners– M13-M48

Task 2.5: Energy efficient supervisory control and fault diagnosis– M1-M48

- SRF test stands & access to SRF accelerators is essential!
- 3 new hires @ DESY / + 2 openings @HZB/@DESY

bERLinPro



FLASH



HoBiCaT@HZB



EuXFEL



AMTF@DESY



...

SRF Photoinjector Test Stand (Ts4i)



CMTB@DESY





Task 2.2: Efficient field control for high loaded-quality factor cavities – M1-M48

- Identify **optimal loaded-quality factor (QL)** to achieve efficient field control for various operation scenarios.
- Evaluate **methods for changing QL** (at the cavity coupler and waveguide level).
- Investigate benefits of advanced ML-based **combined RF and mechanical feedback controllers**.
- Demonstrate **RF-efficient control** in continuous wave (CW) and long pulse (LP) operation.

Task 2.2: Efficient field control for high loaded-quality factor cavities – M1-M48

- Evaluate **methods for changing QL** (at the cavity coupler and waveguide level).

3-stub tuner at HoBiCaT@HZB



+ simulation have been performed

Introduce an additional waveguide Q tuner :
extend tuning range x10

Existing motorized coupler tuner :
usual tuning range
 $Q_L = [1e6 - 1e7]$



Q tuner at the AMTF



Task 2.3: Vibration analysis and detuning control of cavities – M1-M36

- **Characterize microphonics** and detuning during cavity operation.
- Characterize **environmental disturbances** and transfer to the cavity perturbation.
- Investigate and **develop detuning counter measures** based on advanced feedforward, feedback and active noise cancellation including AI methods.

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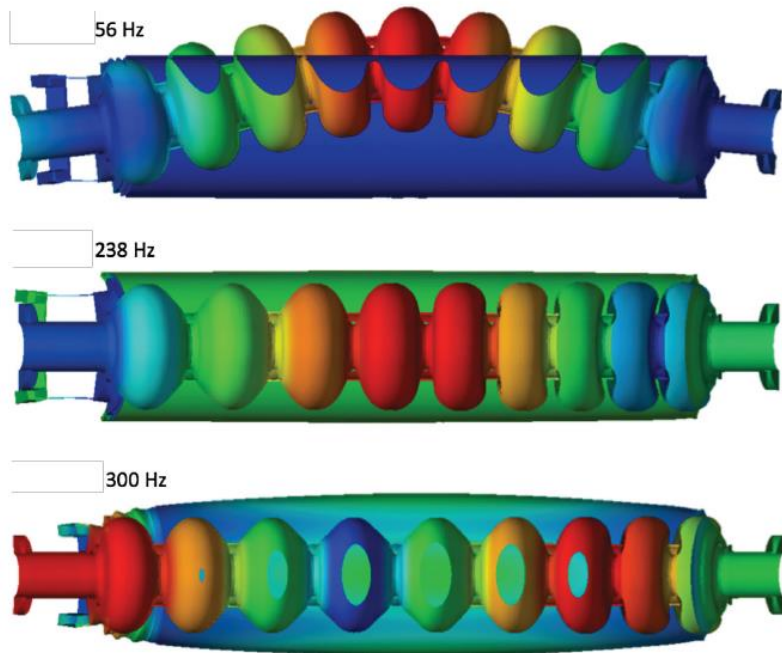
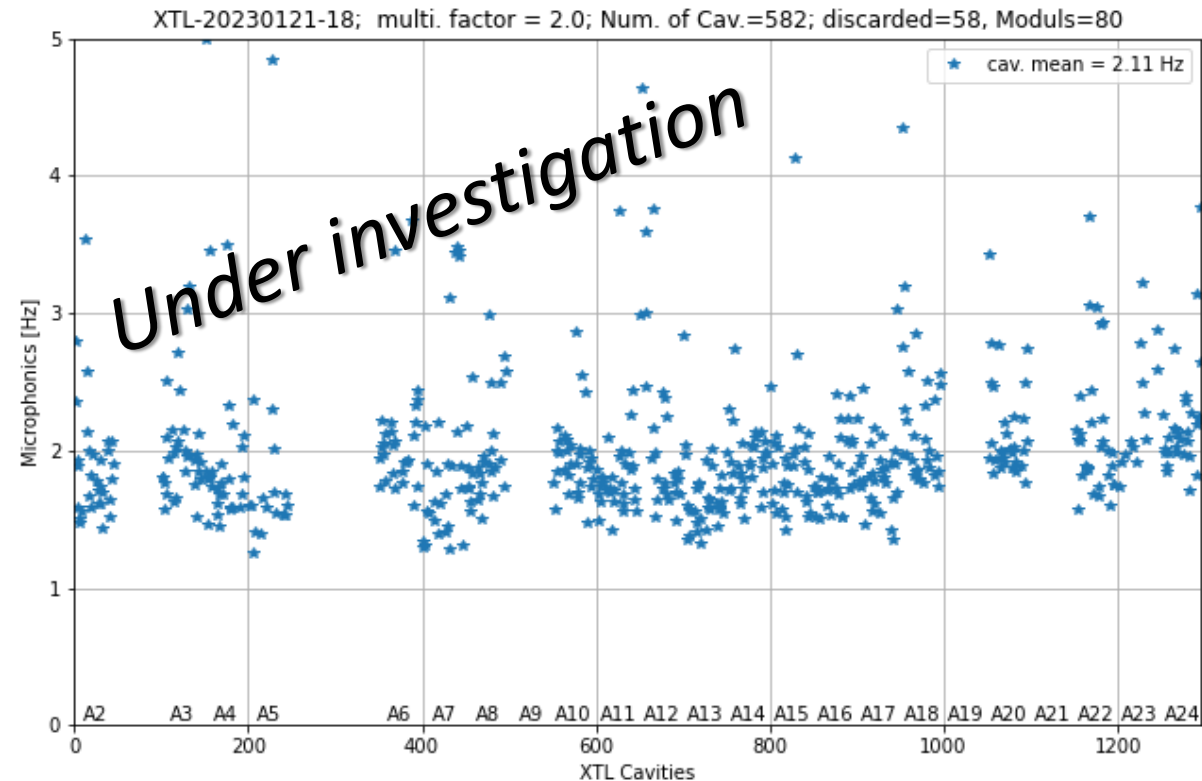


Figure (5.1) Illustrations of the structural displacements for three selected modes. The magnitudes of the displacements (a.u.) are color coded with a linear scale [93].



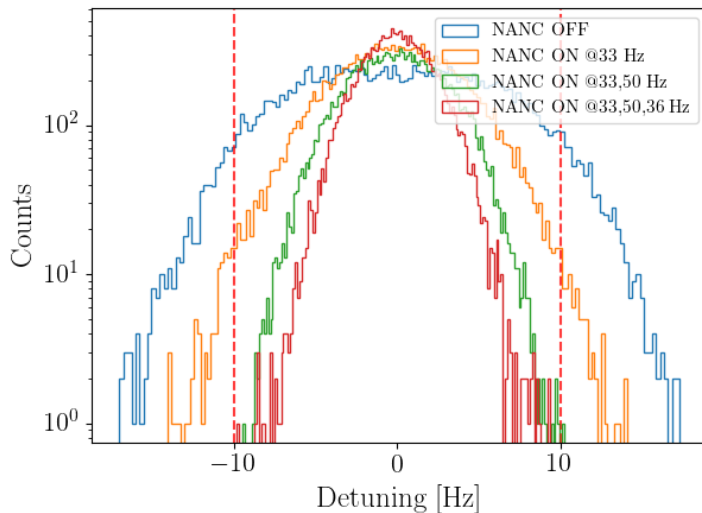
Mostly
< 2.5 Hz rms

Very
promising

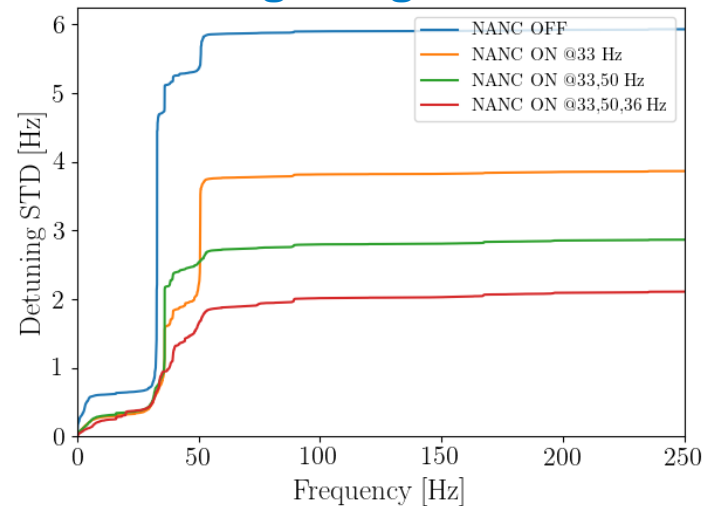
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Detuning distribution

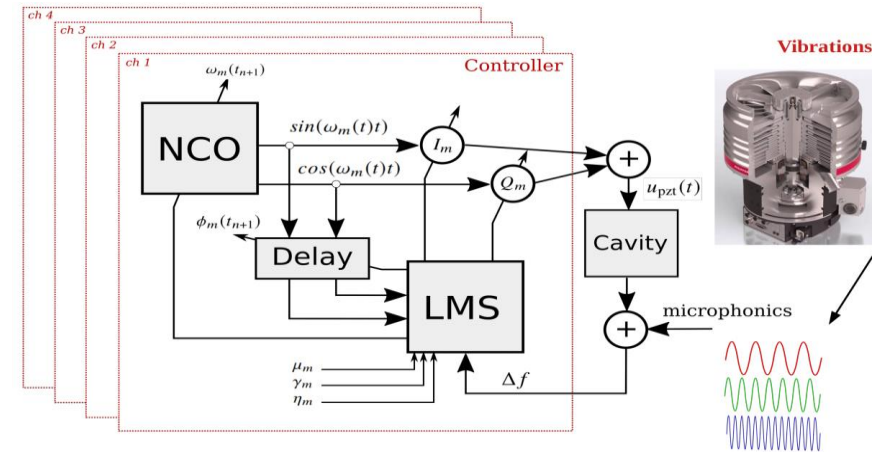


Detuning integrated STD



➔ typically x 3-6 suppression
+ broadband FB desired

Active Noise Cancellation (ANC)@FPGA



New: tracks frequency $\omega_m(t_{n+1}) = \omega_m(t_n) +$

$$\gamma_m \frac{I_m(t_n)Q_m(t_{n+1}) - Q_m(t_n)I_m(t_{n+1})}{I_m(t_n)^2 + Q_m(t_n)^2}$$

Ref.: R. Rybaniec *et al.*, doi:10.1109/RTC.2016.7543112

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Task 2.5: Energy efficient supervisory control and fault diagnosis– M1-M48

- *Develop schemes to **adjust SSA parameters** for efficient RF generation.*
- *Investigate RF control parameters for **energy-efficiency optimization using ML***
- *Develop **fault diagnosis** and **anomaly detection** using ML approaches*
- *Develop **fault counter measures** for sustainable cavity operation*
- *Develop a **digital twin and surrogate models** to improve energy efficiency.*

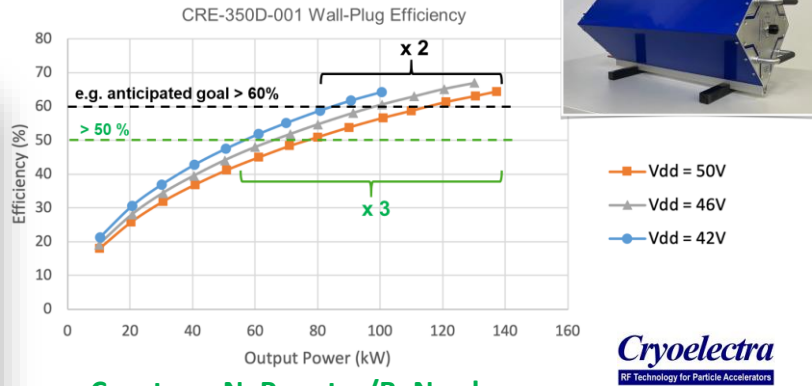
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4kW SSA at the AMTF



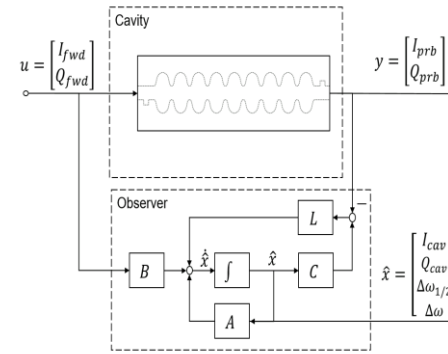
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SSA interface & tuning rate



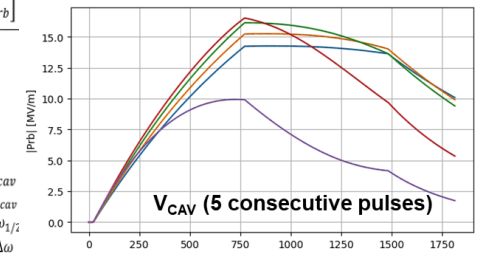
Courtesy: N. Pupeter/B. Nordmann

Luenberger observer estimates cavity bandwidth and detuning

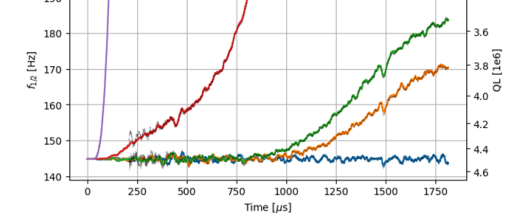


Courtesy: B. Richter (PhD)

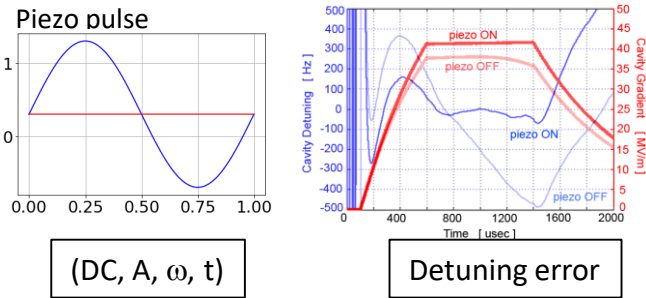
Validation of quench detection in pulsed mode



Corresponding bandwidth estimations



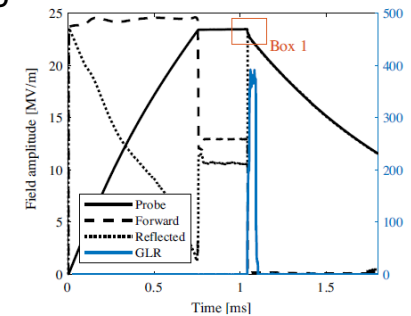
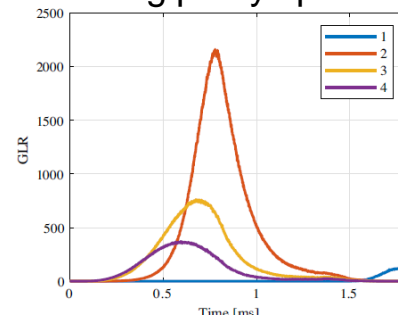
Global optimizer



Courtesy: J. Lubke (PhD)

Bayesian process

Anomaly detection (e.g. quenches) using parity space & general likelihood ratio



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Thanks for attention



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Looking forward to a fruitful collaboration



WP2: Low Level RF controls

DESY, HZB, CNRS

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Main contacts with other partners: Axel Neumann (HZB), Christophe Joly (CNRS)

Task 2.1: Coordination of R&D on LLRF – M1-M48

Task 2.2: Efficient field control for high loaded-quality factor cavities – M1-M48

Task 2.3: Vibration analysis and detuning control of cavities – M1-M36

Task 2.4: Integrated LLRF control using Ferro-Electric Fast Reactive Tuners– M13-M48

Task 2.5: Energy efficient supervisory control and fault diagnosis– M1-M48



WP2 – LLRF: status/evolution of Task 2.2

Task 2.2: Efficient field control for high loaded-quality factor cavities – M1-M48

- *Identify optimal loaded-quality factor (QL) to achieve efficient field control for various operation scenarios.*
 - *Can be carried out using numerical simulation (achievable stability vs. power)*
 - *Test at CMTB/AMTF/HoBiCaT (without beam)*
 - *Test at SRF guns, Ts4i & BerLinPro (with beam), other options?*
- *Evaluate methods for changing QL (at the cavity coupler and waveguide level).*
 - *Test and simulations are ongoing at HoBiCaT & AMTF / (3-stub tuner or phase shifter design)*
- *Investigate benefits of advanced ML-based combined RF and mechanical feedback controllers.*
 - *Started investigation to model transfer function PZT → RF (M. Herrmann @ DESY)*
 - *New position will be open at HZB.*
- *Demonstrate RF-efficient control in continuous wave (CW) and long pulse (LP) operation.*
 - *depends on results 2.2.1-3, but is already regularly investigated e.g. at CMTB*



WP2 – LLRF: status/evolution of Task 2.3

Task 2.3: Vibration analysis and detuning control of cavities – M1-M36

- *Characterize microphonics and detuning during cavity operation.*
 - *Measurements and characterization at several facilities feasible*
 - *Strongly depending on the facility, vary over time and operation setups*
 - *Long term microphonics at XFEL/FLASH (Y. Sun & A. Bellandi & H.S. @DESY)*
 - *Evaluation at HoBiCaT & future SRF gun test stands*
- *Characterize environmental disturbances and transfer to the cavity perturbation.*
 - *First test using ext. geophones at CMTB (PhD thesis Uni. Lodz)*
 - *More sophisticated sensor techniques envisioned (Distributed Fiber Optic Sensing)*
- *Investigate and develop detuning counter measures based on advanced feedforward, feedback and active noise cancellation including AI methods.*
 - *Improve LLRF diagnostics on detuning (e.g. Luenberger Observer, PhD, B. Richter)*
 - *Advanced feedforward technique is worked on (A. Bellandi)*
 - *Surrogated models will be tested*



Task 2.4: Integrated LLRF control using Ferro-Electric Fast Reactive Tuners– M13-M48

- *Integrate a ferro-electric fast reactive tuner (FE-FRT) with a digital LLRF system*
 - *Hardware development 2026/27 within WP1*
 - *Simulation on effect and operation range can be carried out*
 - *When type and actuation is defined, digital interface can be defined*
- *Demonstrate microphonics compensation using a FE-FRT at a horizontal test stand*
 - *Depends on WP1 outcome*
 - *Develop smart tuning algorithm to combine FE-FRT and mechanical tuner*



Task 2.5: Energy efficient supervisory control and fault diagnosis– M1-M48

- *Develop schemes to adjust solid state amplifier (SSA) parameters for efficient RF generation.*
 - *Cryoelectra GmbH presentation last year at DESY/ Continue discussion on digital interface*
 - *Achievable drain voltage slew rate to be determined/update rates ... level of few tens of ms*
- *Investigate RF control parameters for energy-efficiency optimization using ML methods*
 - *Started... e.g. Bayesian optimization of LFD compensation in LP operation (PhD student)*
- *Develop fault diagnosis and anomaly detection of LLRF systems using ML approaches*
 - *Started... e.g. Quench Detection, Microphonics Detuning Anomalies, ...*
 - *Started ...Fault diagnostics on digital HW e.g. PCIe failure & restarts, SEU on FPGAs...*
 - *Implementation of real-time anomaly detection on FPGA (N. Omid Sajedi)*
- *Develop fault counter measures (i.e., fast detection and reaction) for sustainable cavity operation*
 - *On HW level some are implemented/ wait for fast algorithm to be developed*
- *Develop a digital twin and surrogate models of LLRF systems to improve energy efficiency.*
 - *Modelling of entire system/software, combine achievements from other sub-WP2 packages*
 - *hardware in the loop first test ongoing (B. Dursum)*



WP2 – LLRF: plans to achieve milestones & deliverables

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D2.1	ML based MC	Report on microphonics study & ML-based mitigation	2	DESY	R	PU	36
D2.2	SSA	Report on interface study of LLRF with SSA	2	DESY	R	PU	36
D2.3	LLRF control	Report on LLRF RF control studies	2	DESY	R	PU	48
D2.4	FRT based MC	Report on integration of FE-FRT in LLRF	2	HZB	R	PU	48
D2.5	Anomaly det.	Report on anomaly detection & LLRF optimization	2	DESY	R	PU	48

M2.1	Demonstration of energy-efficient SSA operation	WP2	30	Test report/publication
M2.2	Demonstration of detuning control techniques	WP2	33	Test report/publication
M2.3	Demonstration of RF control for CW/LP ops	WP2	36	Test report/publication
M2.4	Demonstration of ML and anomaly detection	WP2	42	Test report/publication
M2.5	Demonstration of FE-FRT Microphonics compensation	WP2	45	Test report/publication

→ Deliverables and Milestones are still fine and in reach

→ To support the WP2 program additional position will be open: 1) at DESY ~Q4/24 2) HZB soon



WP2 – LLRF: points of attention

- **Changes in laboratory**
 - Delay: SRF photoinjector test stand Ts4i likely not be available before 2026 (DESY)
 - Risk: CMTB may not be operable during FLASH2020+ shutdown – 14 month (DESY)
 - ➔ LLRF tests for LP and CP operation delayed
 - ➔ Mitigation: prepare AMTF test stands with SSA operation
 - Additional loads: FALCO, NRF gun test stand pulls resources (DESY)
- **Risks:**
 - Finding qualified personnel HZB (1 open position) / DESY (1 open position)
 - Other projects may pull resources, QL test slowed down (DESY)
 - Heavy load on SW and FW developers may delay development
- **New opportunities:**
 - New LLRF field detection hardware improves detection possibilities and regulation capabilities



WP2 – LLRF: budget plans

WP	WP Subject	CNRS	CERN	ESS	DESY	VUB	CEA	HZB	INFN	UKRI	UL	EPFL	EU-budget kEUR	Matching personnel kEUR	Matching materials kEUR	Total budget kEUR
Technology Areas																
WP.1	Ferro-Electric Fast Reactive Tuners							LEAD					989,3	784,0	277,8	2051,1
WP.2	Low-Level RF Controls				LEAD								498,9	612,0	204,0	1314,9
WP.3	Nb3Sn-on-Cu films for 4.2-K cavity operation								LEAD				871,4	616,0	232,0	1719,4
WP.4	HOM Dampers & Fundamental Power Couplers	LEAD											572,2	620,0	296,0	1488,2
TOTAL FOR iSAS Technology R&D													2931,8	2632	1009,8	6573,6

→ No deviations