



WP2: Low Level RF controls **10.01.2025**

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WP2 – LLRF: status/evolution of Task 2.1

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

- *A couple of meetings took place since last status update*
 - *Status update of the different labs*
 - *Reporting about iSAS project activities (website, next in-person meeting)*
- *Communication structure established*
 - *Email distribution list*
 - *Shared repository (meeting minutes, status reports, presentations)*
- *Identified test possibilities in each lab*
 - *Test stands, facilities, type of cavities, tuning systems, power sources, etc.*



WP2 – LLRF: status/evolution of Task 2.1

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

Opened position to support R&D activities including iSAS

→ candidate found, position about to be finalized

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

- *Identify optimal loaded-quality factor (Q_L) to achieve efficient field control for various operation scenarios.*
 - *Investigated impact of choice of Q_L on efficiency through simulation*
 - *Challenges for long pulsed and CW are different (in particular efficient filling)*
- *Evaluate methods for changing Q_L (at the cavity coupler and waveguide level).*
 - *Tests done at HoBiCat (HZB) with 3-stub tuner*
 - *Modify test stand (DESY) for operation with SSA : done and approved by TUEV*
 - *Currently preparing for tests with high Q_L (end of 2024, beginning of 2025)*
 - *2x 8kW SSA purchased for further tests at AMTF*
- *Investigate benefits of advanced ML-based combined RF and mechanical feedback controllers.*
 - *Started investigation to model transfer function PZT → RF (ongoing)*
 - *New position awarded at HZB + PhD at DESY.*
- *Demonstrate RF-efficient control in continuous wave (CW) and long pulse (LP) operation.*
 - *i.e. Final demonstrator (milestone) expected towards the end of iSAS timeframe*

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

This month, installation of the Q-tuner (waveguide Qext adjustment) at our tests stand *is operation*

→ high power with LLRF tests planned for end of Jan. 2025

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

- *Characterize environmental disturbances and transfer to the cavity perturbation.*
 - *Test using ext. geophones at CMTB (PhD thesis Uni. Lodz, thesis submitted)*
 - *First tests with beam at SeaLab (BerLinPro) planned for October '24 (microphonics evaluation)*
- *Investigate and develop detuning counter measures based on advanced feedforward, feedback and active noise cancellation including AI methods.*
 - *Successfully demonstrated Luenberger Observer to estimate bandwidth and detuning*
 - *Demonstrated in pulsed and CW*
 - *Module implemented in firmware, (currently verification phase), test in the field beg. of 2025*

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

- 1. Looking into an approach using a real-time power PC (simulation + feasibility study)**
 - 2. Setting up real CW data acquisition (i.e. guaranteeing phase continuous data buffers)**
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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*
 - *Development of Matlab/Simulink model of RF control loop to simulate resonance control for PERL (ICJLab) ongoing*
 - *FE-FRT can be included in model*
- no new results since report in July

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.*
 - *Contacted Cryoelectra GmbH to assess feasibility and interest*
 - *IB meeting during German holiday (neither Holger nor myself can attend)*
- *Investigate RF control parameters for energy-efficiency optimization using ML methods*
 - *Developed improved algorithm for more efficient Lorentz force detuning compensation*
 - *Double sine (instead of single) and smooth start to limit AC power and current on piezo*
 - *Tested and deployed at XFEL*
- *Develop fault diagnosis and anomaly detection of LLRF systems using ML approaches*
 - *1st milestone delivered and approved : (D35) ML implementation plan*
 - ***Demonstration of quench detection in CW using Luenberger Observer***
 - *Implementation of real-time fault detection on FPGA, firmware done, test phase*
 - *Implementation of a real-time fault detection on server, deployed in 1 RF station at XFEL (observation phase)*

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

1. ML-based fault detection developed in FPGA

2. Deployed at XFEL last week → gathering experience in next 6 months

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WP2 – LLRF: points of attention

- **Personnel setback**
 - *key person for R&D left DESY in Fall 2024*
 - *mitigation: opened replacement position but challenging to find qualified personnel*
- **Dependence of iSAS R&D on laboratory schedule**
 - *availability of test stands is not always predictable (delay, warm up, etc..)*
 - *mitigation: compiled a list of tests capabilities in partner labs*
- **Future hardware development – on going**
 - *Evolution step :*
Development of next generation digitizers (heterodyne detection mode)
 - *Revolution step :*
First successful test of CSI (carrier suppression interferometer) integration with LLRF system at test stand with cavity



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 done

Candidate found, next: contract signature

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