

Beam Diagnostics at Free Electron Lasers

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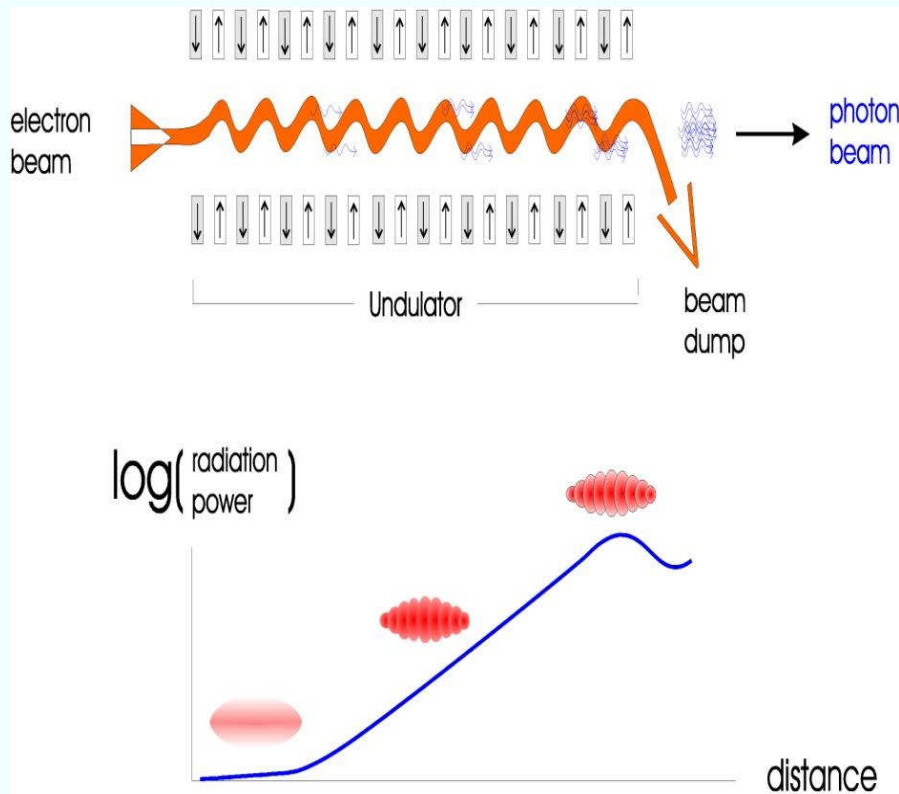
- Introduction
- Beam Position (Intensity)
- Transverse Profile Diagnostics
- Longitudinal Profile Diagnostics
- Timing and Synchronization

Free Electron Lasers (FELs)

- linac (single pass) based 4th generation light sources

Linac based Self Amplification of Spontaneous Emission (SASE) FELs

(→ no matter for diagnostics which FEL type)



electron bunch modulated with
its own synchrotron radiation field

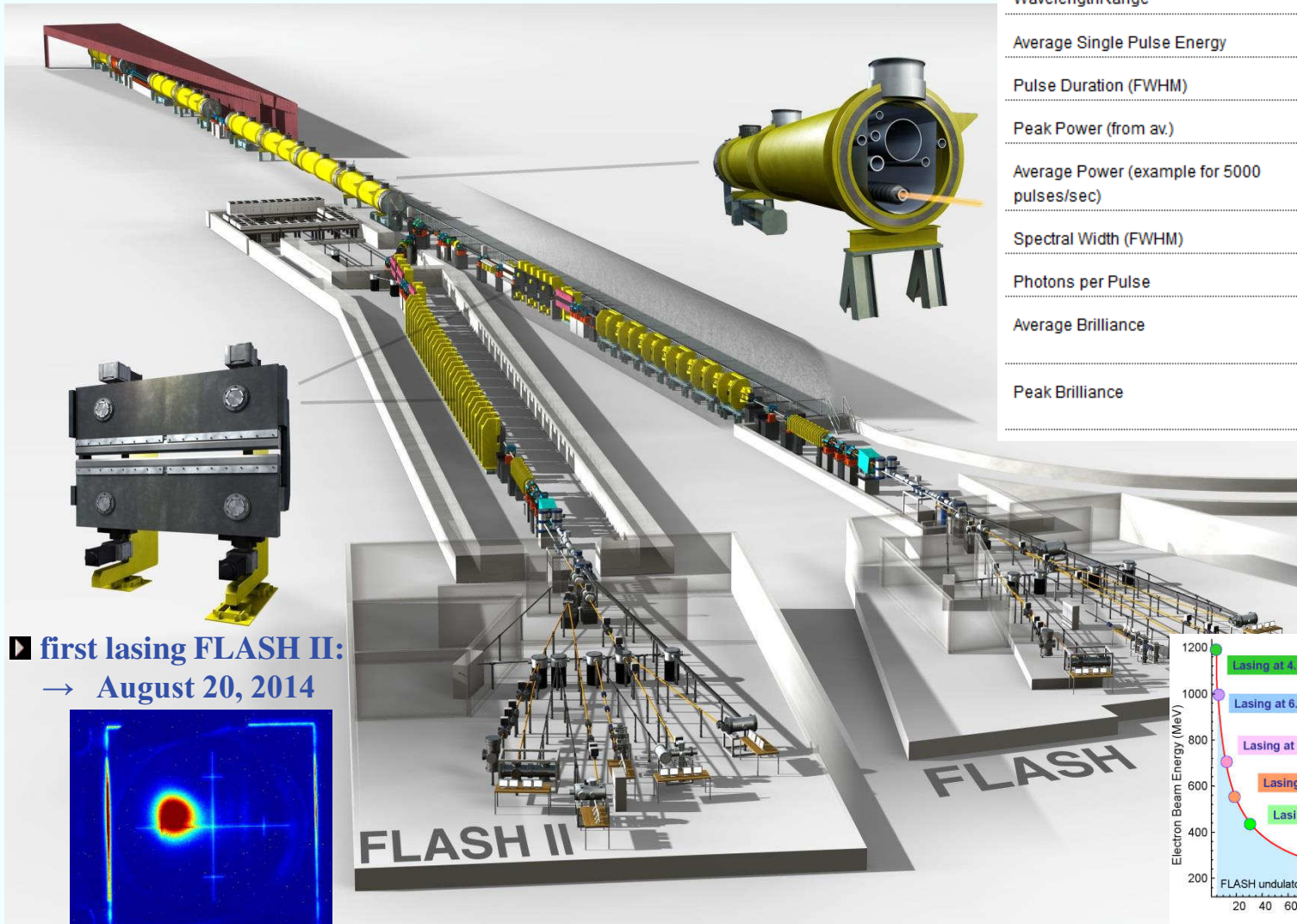
- ▶ micro-bunching
- ▶ more and more electrons radiate in phase until saturation is reached

SASE FEL projects

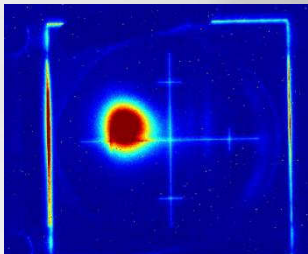
- ▶ European X-FEL @ DESY
- ▶ LCLS @ SLAC
- ▶ SACLA @ SPring8
- ▶ Swiss FEL @ PSI
- ▶ FLASH @ DESY
- ▶ SPARC @ INFN-Frascati
- ▶ ...

FLASH @ DESY

FLASH accelerator, FLASH I/II SASE FELs



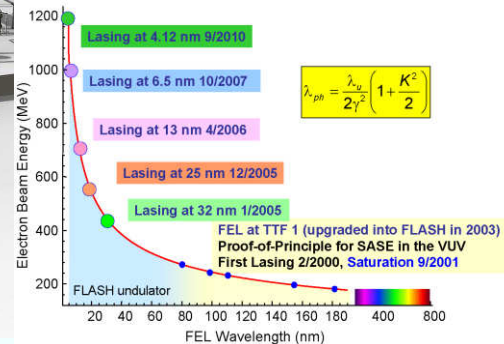
▶ first lasing FLASH II:
 → August 20, 2014



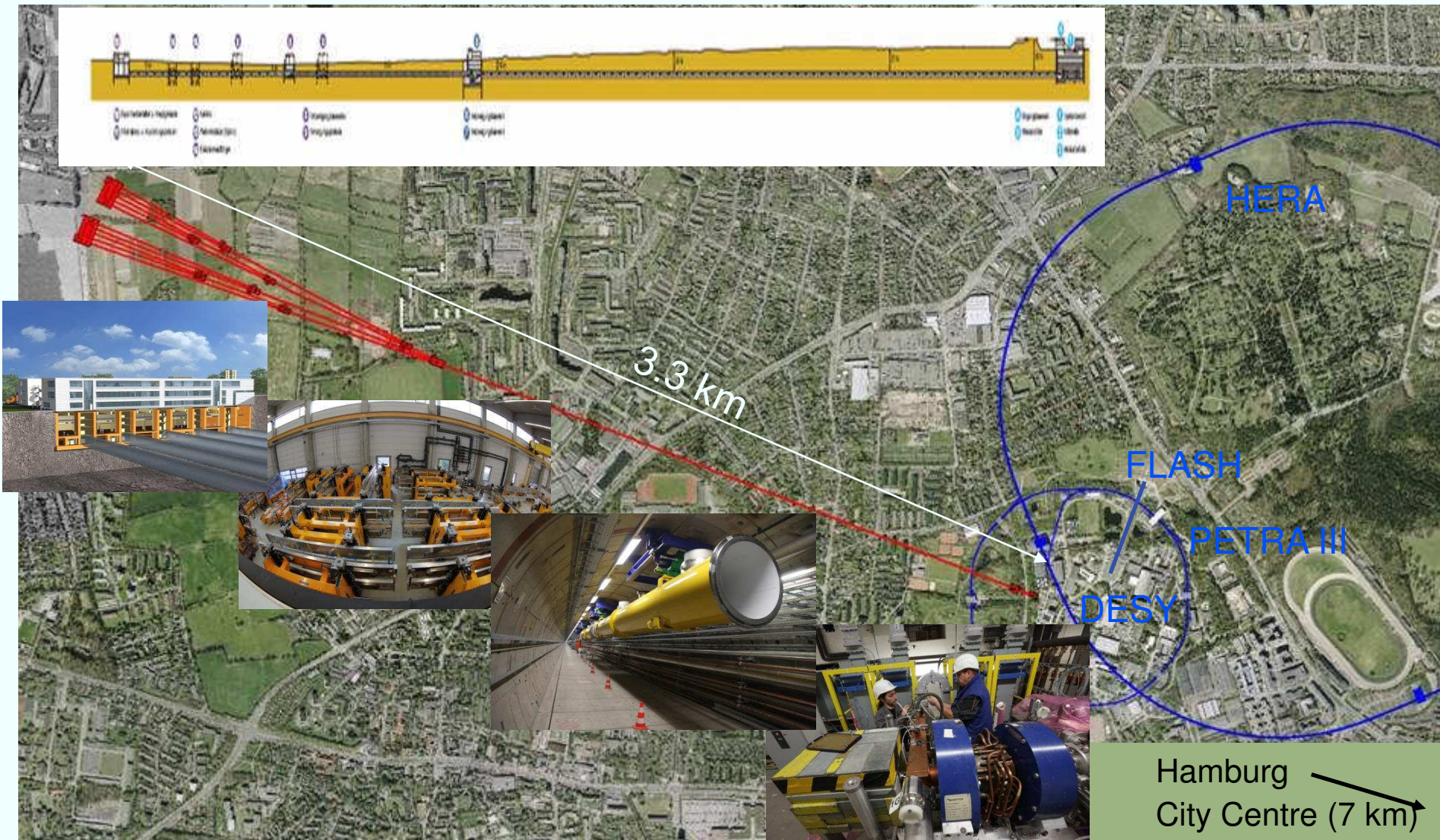
Parameter	Value
WavelengthRange	4.2 - 45 nm
Average Single Pulse Energy	10 - 500 μJ
Pulse Duration (FWHM)	<50 - 200 fs
Peak Power (from av.)	1 - 3 GW
Average Power (example for 5000 pulses/sec)	up to 600 mW
Spectral Width (FWHM)	0.7 - 2 %
Photons per Pulse	10 ¹¹ - 10 ¹³
Average Brilliance	10 ¹⁷ - 10 ²¹ photons/s/mrad ² /mm ² /0.1%bw
Peak Brilliance	10 ²⁹ - 10 ³¹ photons/s/mrad ² /mm ² /0.1%bw

FEL radiation
parameters 2012

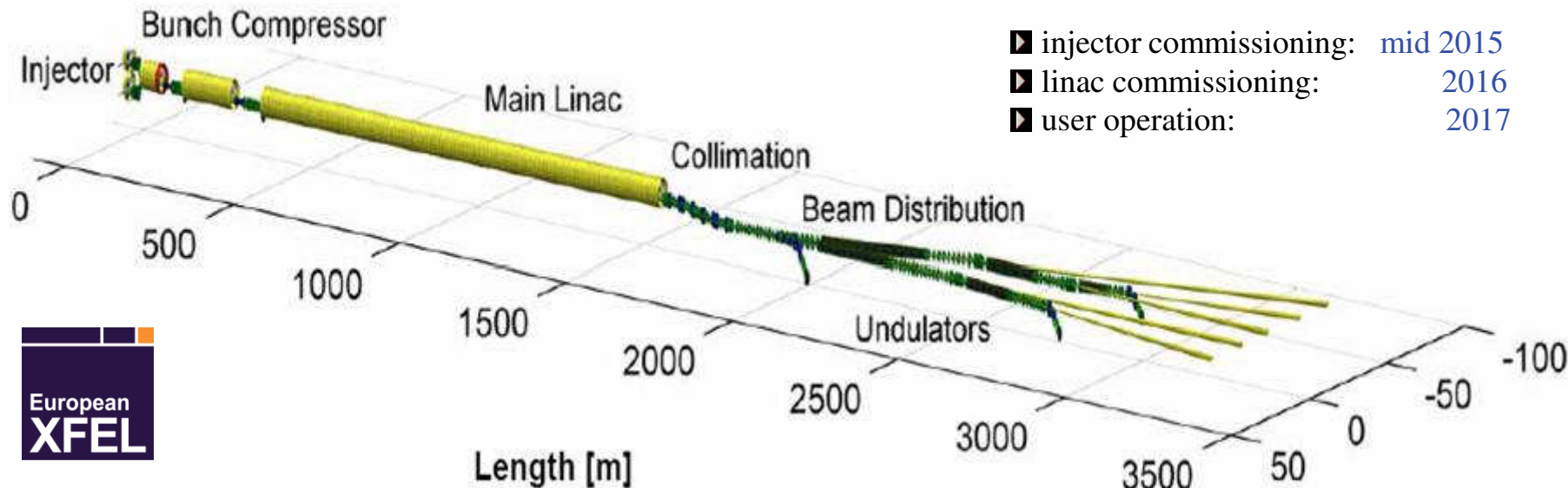
▶ lasing @ FLASH:



The European XFEL @ DESY



E-XFEL @ DESY



- ▶ injector commissioning: mid 2015
- ▶ linac commissioning: 2016
- ▶ user operation: 2017

- ▶ photo-injector RF electron gun
- ▶ injector linac
- ▶ two-stage bunch compression
- ▶ collimation and beam distribution
- ▶ undulator sections
- ▶ photon beamlines

maximum energy:	17.5 GeV
normalized emittance:	1-2 mm mrad
typical rms beam sizes:	20-200 μm
bunch charge :	0.1-1 nCb
min. bunch spacing:	222 nsec
max. macro pulse length:	600 μsec
bunches within macro pulse:	1-2700
bunch pattern:	arbitrary
RF repetition rate:	< 30 Hz
λ_{min}	0.1 nm (12.4 keV)

Beam Properties (1)

- single or few bunches, typically with large separation

□ requires single bunch measurements

- high current density

▶ sufficient energy transfer from electron beam to radiation field

▶ natural scale: number of electrons per wavelength

$$N_{e,\lambda} = \frac{I\lambda}{ec}$$

$$N_{e,\lambda} = 1 \Rightarrow I = \begin{cases} 0.5 \mu\text{A} & (\lambda = 100 \mu\text{m}) \\ 0.5 \text{ A} & (\lambda = 0.1 \text{ nm}) \end{cases}$$

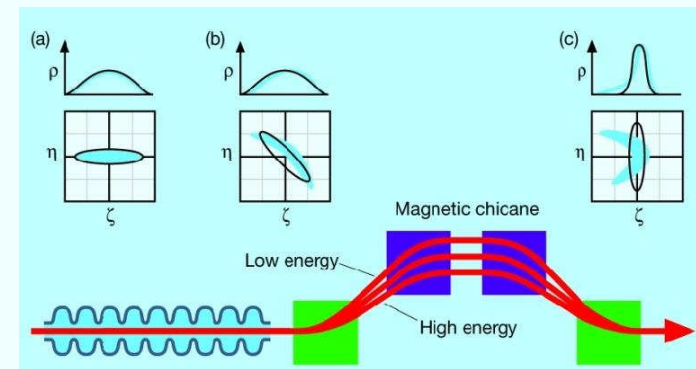
□ requires additional bunch compression in order to increase current density

□ extremely short bunch lengths $\mathcal{O}(10\text{-}100 \text{ fsec})$

- charge per bunch: pCb up to about nCb

▶ new trend: short pulse operation, requires lower and lower charges...

▶ signal to noise problems at low charge, even for kA peak currents



Beam Properties (2)

■ high electron beam quality

▶ energy spread

$$\frac{\sigma_e}{E} \approx 10^{-4}$$

▶ transverse emittance

$$\varepsilon \leq \frac{\lambda}{4\pi}, \quad \varepsilon = \varepsilon_n / \beta\gamma$$

(→ high energy helps)

for resonant energy exchange and good overlap with radiation field

■ high demands on 6-dimensional phase space

longitudinal phase space

- ▶ short bunches require complicate longitudinal diagnostics
- ▶ new methods required to verify pulse lengths of electron and laser bunch

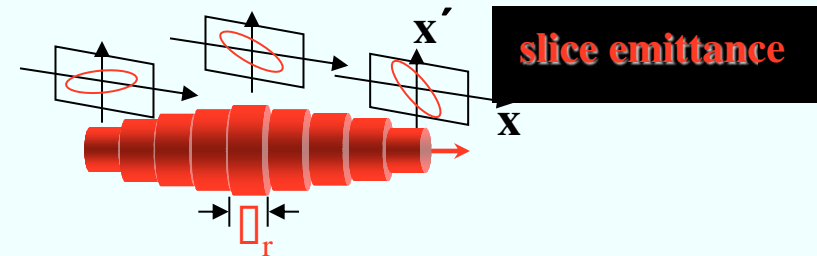
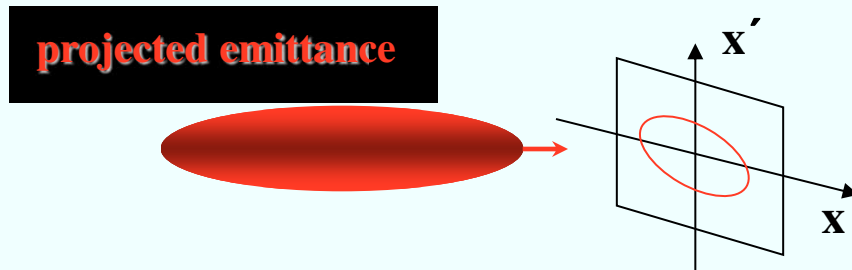
transverse phase space

- ▶ beam gets extremely small, often weird shape
- ▶ emittance is no equilibrium property, many effects can spoil it
- ▶ optics errors propagate through entire machine (linac is open loop system)
- ▶ coherent effects due to short pulses and instabilities

Beam Properties (3)

comment: transverse emittance

- electrons **slip back in phase** with respect to photons by λ_r each undulator period
- FEL integrates over slippage length → **slice emittance** of importance



stability

- ▶ **energy stability** → wavelength stability
- ▶ **arrival time stability** → pump probe experiments
- ▶ **position stability**
→ overlap between beam and radiation in undulators

$$\frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda} = -2 \frac{\Delta E}{E}$$

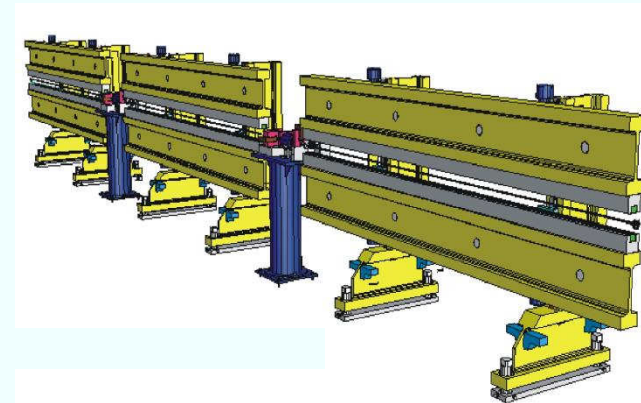
LLRF feedback

high level synchronisation

high resolution BPMs, orbit feedback

example: XFEL @ DESY

- length of undulator section: 100-150 m
- BPM position resolution:
1 μm (single bunch), **100 nm** (average over bunch train)



Standard FEL Diagnostics @ FLASH

		FLASH1	FLASH2
Charge	Toroids	12	5
	Dark Current Monitor	1	
	Faraday Cups	3	
	BPMs	6	33
Transverse Size	OTR-Screens	~30	
	Scintillating-Screens	1	7
	Wire scanners (MDI)	10	
	Wire scanners (Zeuthen)	9	
Transverse Position	Button-BPMs	26	12
	Stripline-BPMs	33	4
	Cold Cavity BPMs	6	
	Cavity BPMs		17
	HOM-based monitors	39	
Beam Loss	BLMs	>70	~55
	Cherenkov Fibers	2	1
	Beam Halo Monitors	1x4	1x4
	Ionization Chambers	4	4

about ~ 400 monitors

and a lot of additional special diagnostics...

Standard FEL Diagnostics @ E-XFEL

Monitor (Standard Diagnostics Only)	Number
BPMs (cold)	120
BPMs (Striplines, Pickups)	250
Undulator BPMs (Cavity, 1 μ m Resolution)	140
Charge Monitors (Toroids, Faraday Cups)	40
Beam Size: OTR, Wire scanners	77
Dark Current	10
Loss Monitors (PM Systems, Fibers)	320
Phase	15
Other	about 50
Total	about 1000

and a lot of additional special diagnostics...

Beam Position Monitors

■ short version of E-XFEL BPM specification

specified charge range: 0.1 – 1nC

	Number	Beam Pipe	Length	Type	Single Bunch Resolution (RMS)	Train Averaged Resolution (RMS)	Optimum Resolution Range	Relaxed Resolution Range	x/y Crosstalk	Bunch to Bunch Crosstalk	Trans. Alignment Tolerance (RMS)
		mm	mm				mm	mm	%	μm	μm
Standard BPM	219	40.5	200/ 100	Button			± 3.0	± 10	1	10	200
Cold BPM	102	78	170	Button/ Re-entrant			± 3.0	± 10	1	10	300
	12	40.5	255	Cavity			± 1.0	± 2	1	1	200
	117	10	100	Cavity			± 0.5	± 2	1	0.1	50
IBFB	4	40.5	255	Cavity	1	0.1	± 1.0	± 2	1	0.1	200



different BPM types to meet different requirements

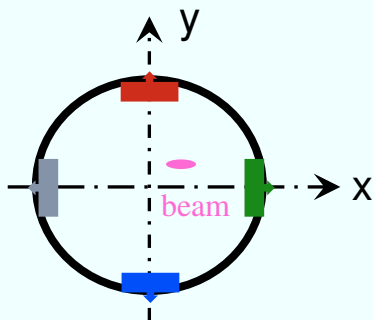
courtesy: D.Nölle (DESY)

Beam Position Monitors

operation principle of (capacitive) button pickup

electric field induces image charge on pick-up

- pick-up mounted isolated inside vacuum chamber
- amount of induced charge depends on distance between beam and pick-up



processing example: Δ/Σ method

$$x = K_x \frac{P_1 - P_3}{P_1 + P_3} \quad y = K_y \frac{P_2 - P_4}{P_2 + P_4}$$

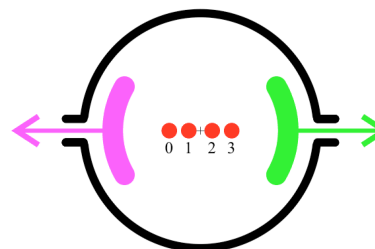
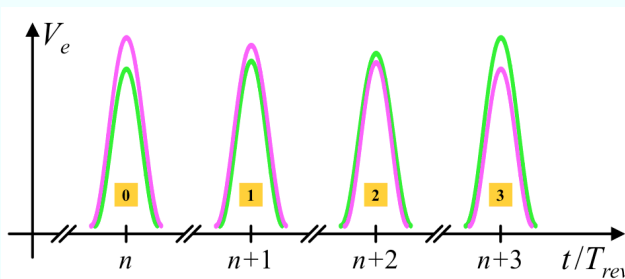
LHC button pickup

courtesy: R.Jones (CERN)



beam position information

amplitude modulated on large (common mode) beam intensity signal



Courtesy: M. Gasior (CERN)

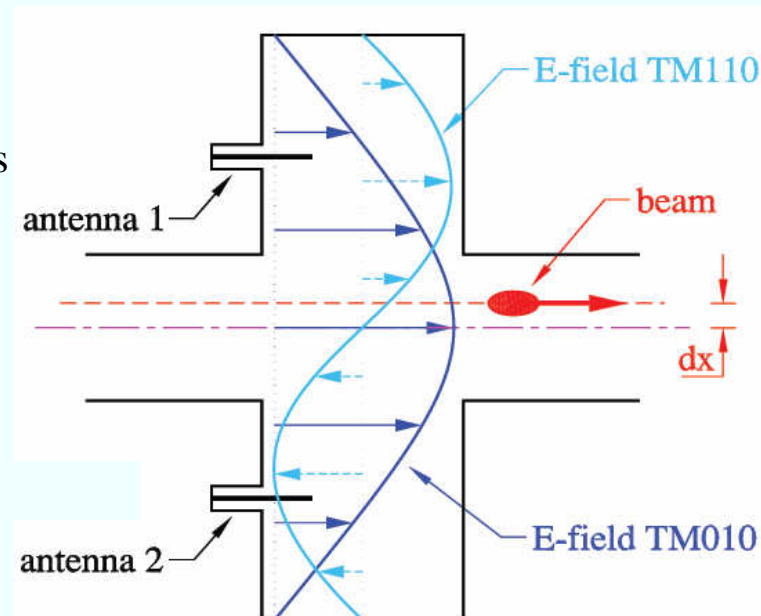
signal subtraction to obtain position information

- difficult to do electronically without some of the intensity information leaking through

Cavity BPM

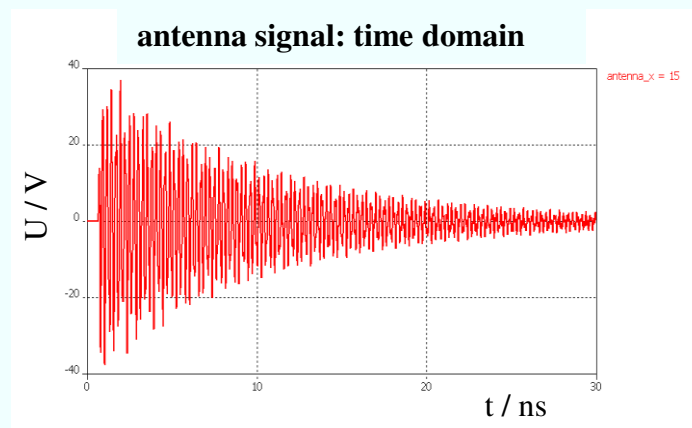
■ collect directly position information

- ▶ bunch excites several resonating modes while passing a pillbox-like cavity
 - short bunches deliver wide spectrum of frequencies
- ▶ monopole mode $TM_{01(0)}$: beam intensity
 - maximum at center
 - strong excitation
- ▶ dipole mode $TM_{11(0)}$: beam position
 - minimum at center
 - excitation by beam offset
 - slightly shifted in frequency wrt. monopole mode



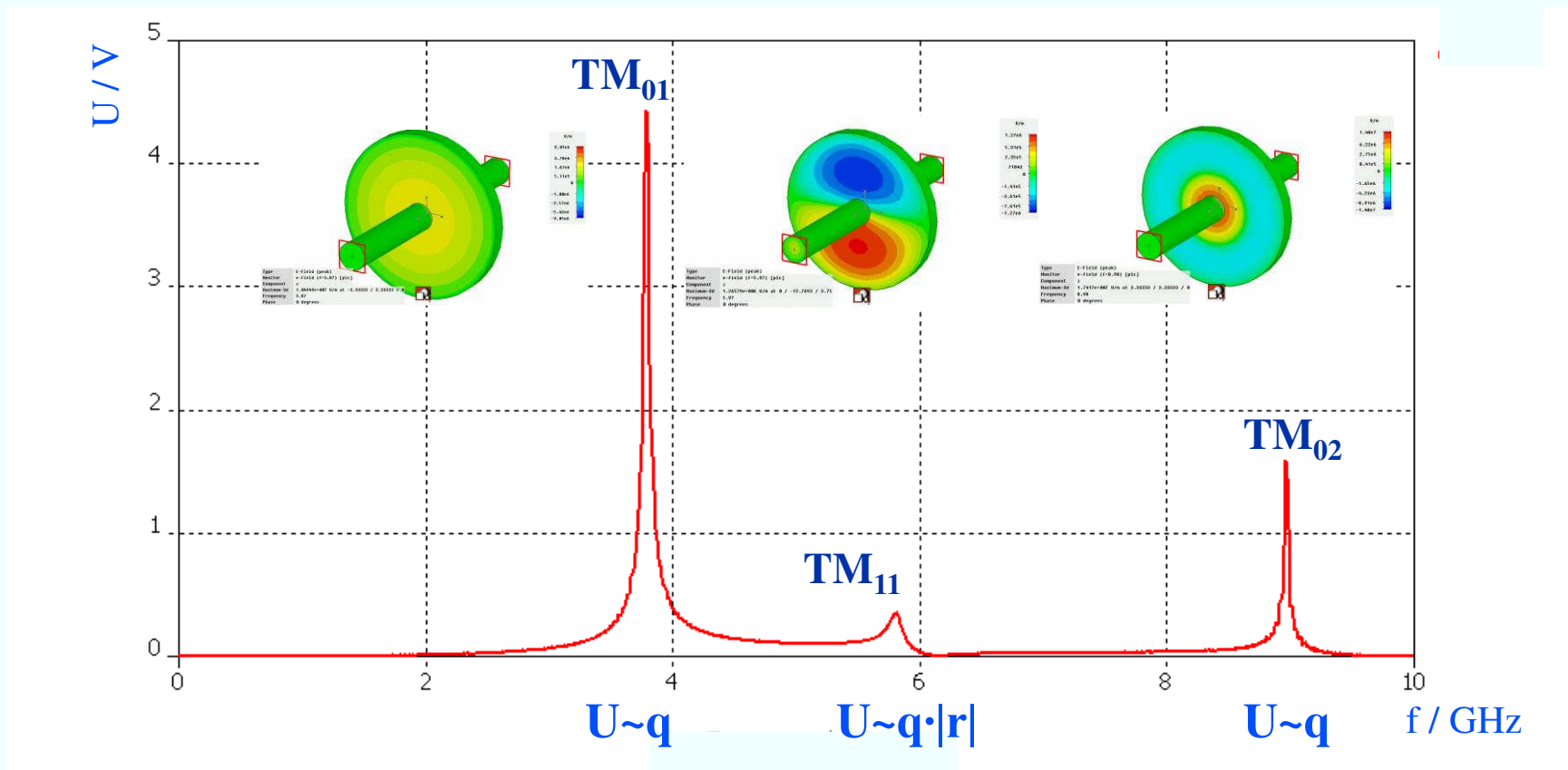
■ antenna for outcoupling of dipole mode

- ▶ **amplitude**: position information
 - only absolute value !
- ▶ **phase** (wrt. monopole mode): sign information
 - simultaneous measurement required !



Cavity BPM

cavity frequency spectrum



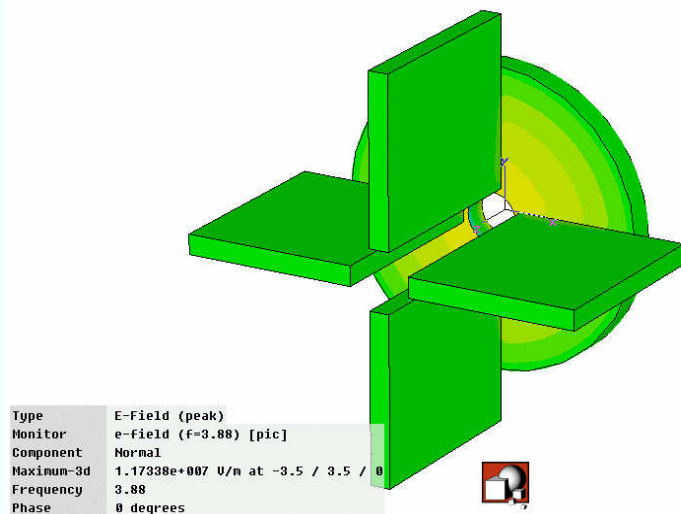
 **q**: beam charge, **r**: beam offset

 **problem**: monopole mode (TM₀₁) leakage into dipole mode (TM₁₁)
 → suppression of monopole mode required

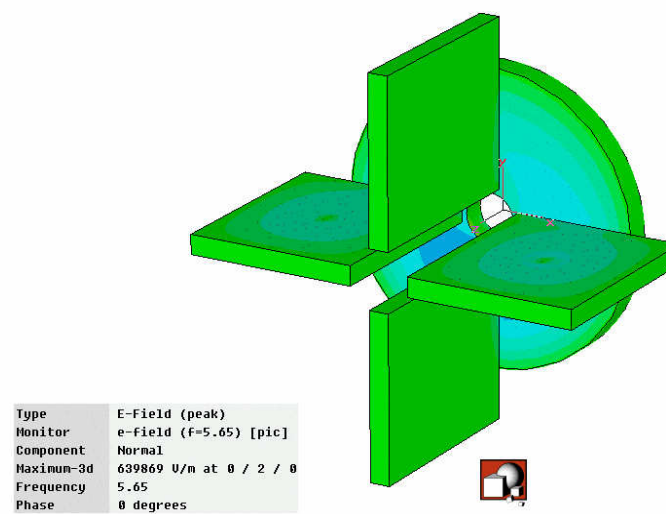
courtesy: D.Lipka (DESY)

- **suppression of monopole mode**
 - dipole mode (TM_{11}) signal coupled out via **waveguide**
 - choose outcoupling at position of large TM_{11} electric field amplitude
 - design waveguide with cutoff frequency above f_{01} (monopole mode) resonance
- **influence of outcoupling waveguide**

Monopole Mode



Dipole Mode

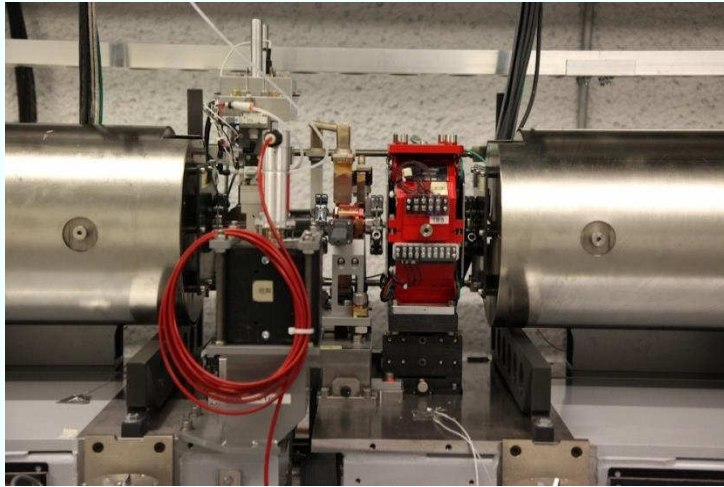


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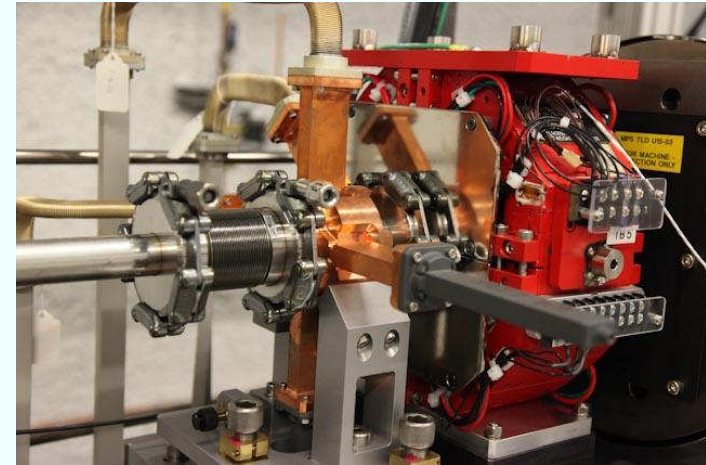
- **narrow-band electronics for signal processing**

- B.Keil, Proc. DIPAC'09, Basel (Switzerland) 2009, TUOC01, p.275
- D.Lipka, Proc. DIPAC'09, Basel (Switzerland) 2009, TUOC02, p.260

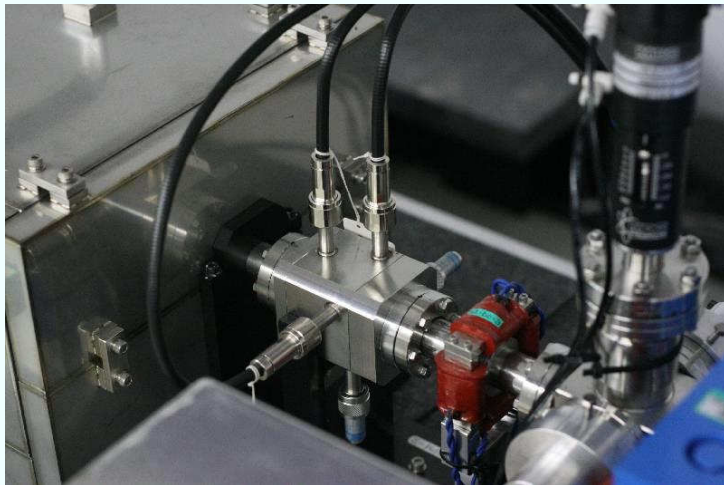
Cavity BPMs for SASE Machines



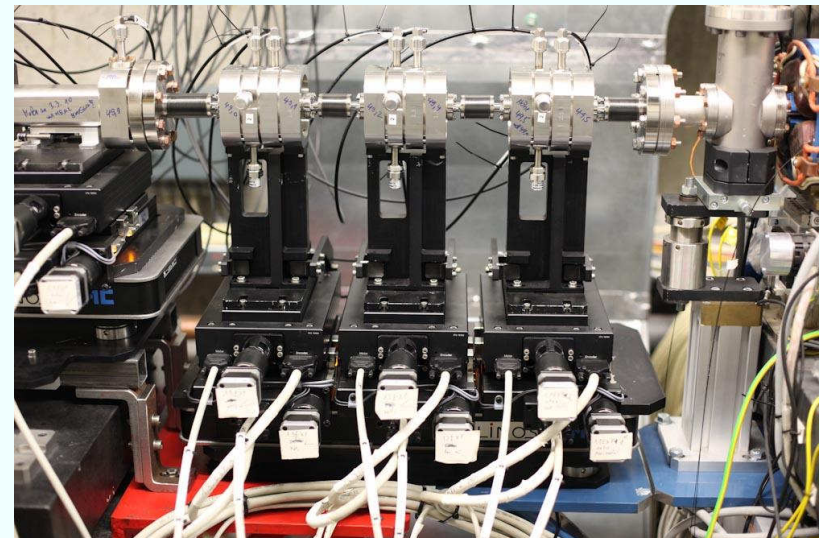
Undulator intersection @ LCLS



Cavity BPM @ LCLS



Low Q Cavity BPM @ SCSS



E-XFEL Cavity BPM Test @ FLASH

courtesy: D.Nölle (DESY)

Cavity Monitor for Bunch Current

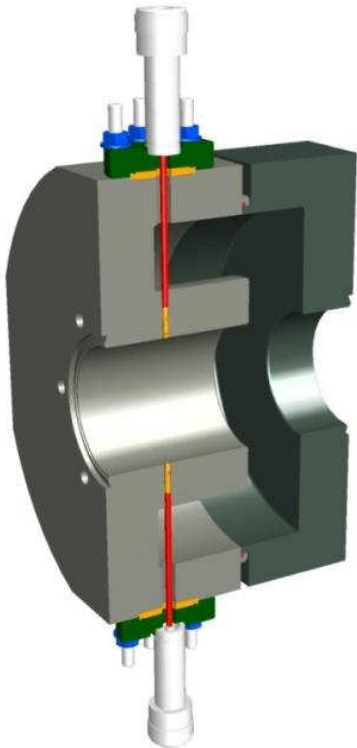
■ E-XFEL design

▣ parameters:

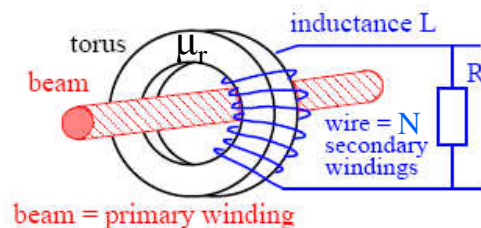
- $f_{\text{res}} = 1.3 \text{ GHz}$, $Q_L = 198.4$
- 40.5 mm diameter tube, 9 cm length

▣ achieved sensitivity:

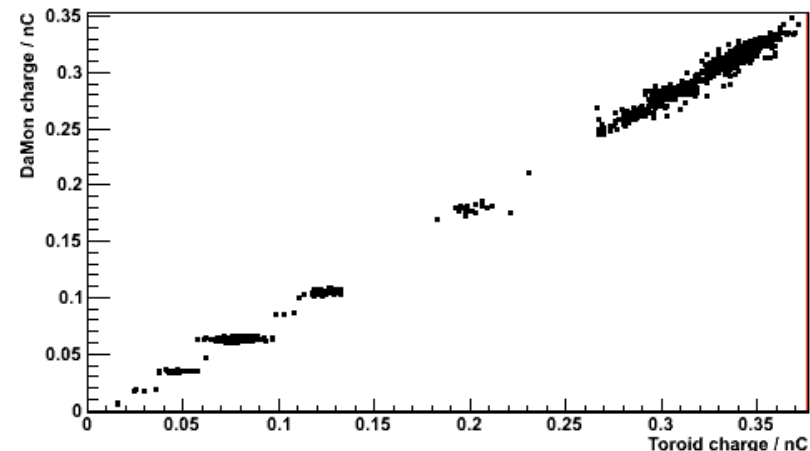
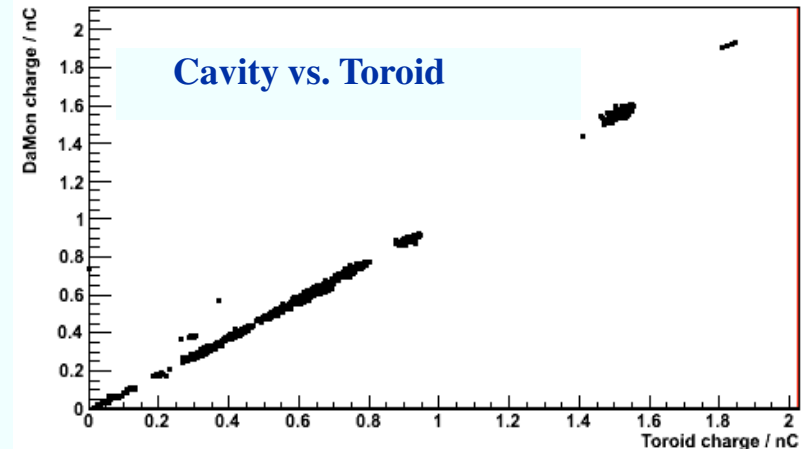
- $S = 11.83 \text{ V/nCb}$



■ Toroid principle



P. Forck, "Lecture Notes on Beam Instrumentation and Diagnostics", JUAS 2011

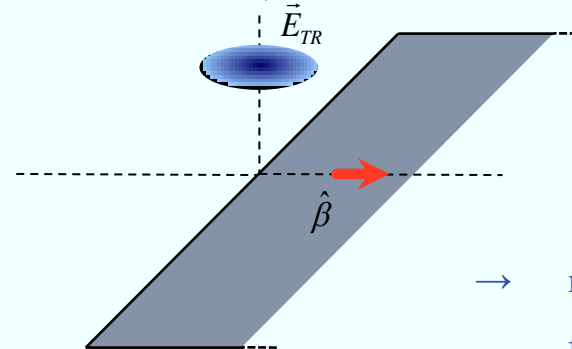
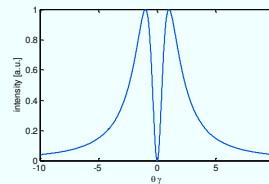
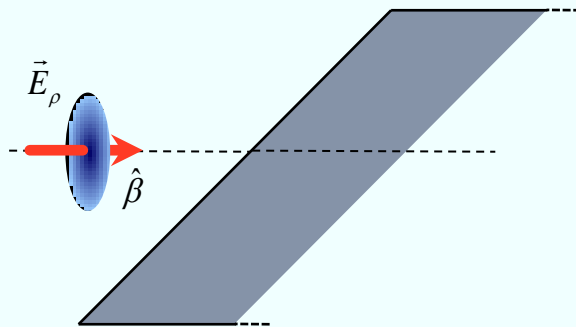


D.Lipka et al., Proc. DIPAC 2011,
Hamburg (Germany) 2011, WEOC03

Transverse Profile / Emittance

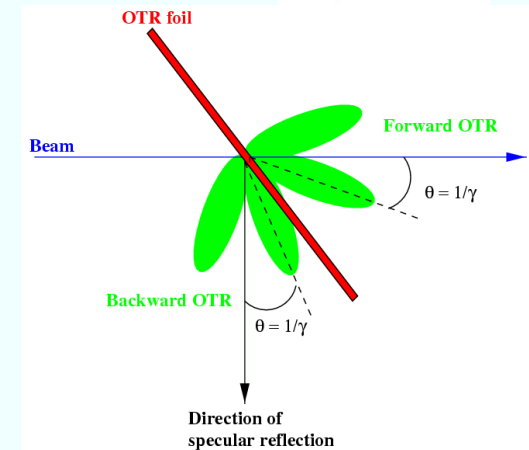
- **working horse:** **Transition Radiation**
electromagnetic radiation emitted when a charged particle crosses boundary between two media with different optical properties
- **visible part:** **Optical Transition Radiation (OTR)**
- **beam diagnostics:** backward OTR
typical setup: image beam profile with optical system
- **radiation generation**

→ virtual photon reflection at boundary
(perfect conductivity)



→ reflected and incident field are the same

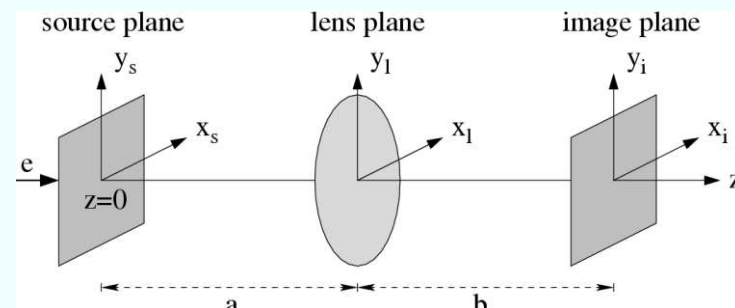
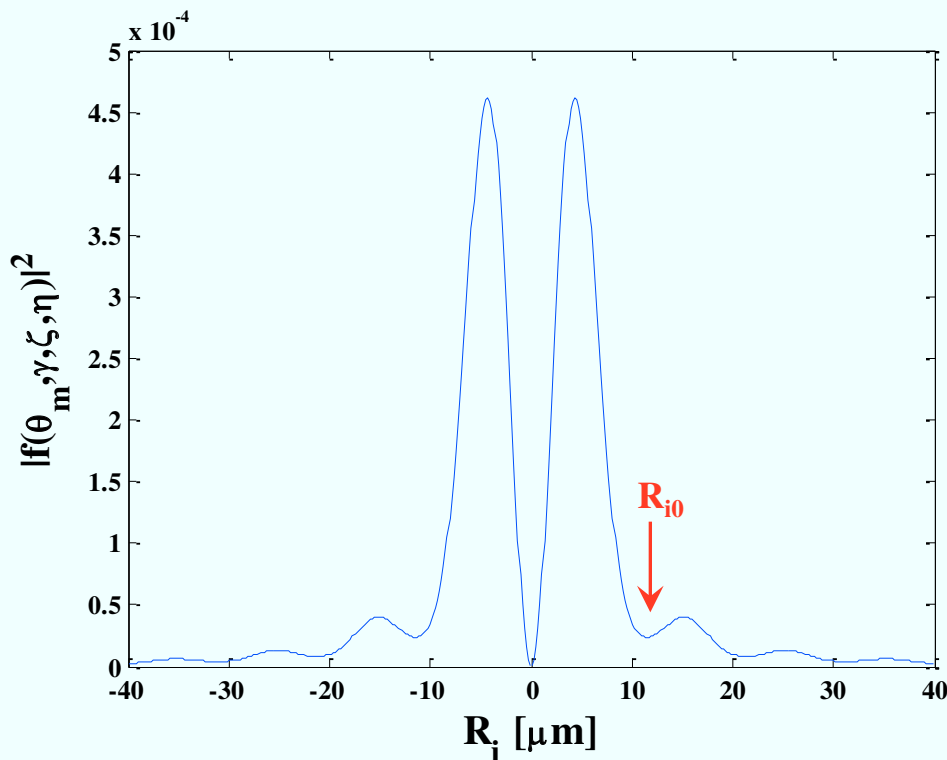
- **advantage:** fast single shot measurement
linear response (neglect coherence !)
- **disadvantage:** high charge densities may destroy radiator → **limitation on bunch number**



OTR Monitor Resolution

■ calculation of point spread function in image plane

G. Kube, TESLA-FEL Report 2008-01



■ parameters of calculation

$E = 1 \text{ GeV}$
 $\lambda = 500 \text{ nm}$
 $f = 250 \text{ mm}$
 $a = b = 500 \text{ mm}$ (1:1 imaging)
lens- $\varnothing = 50.8 \text{ mm}$

■ OTR resolution

■ resolution definition according to classical optics:

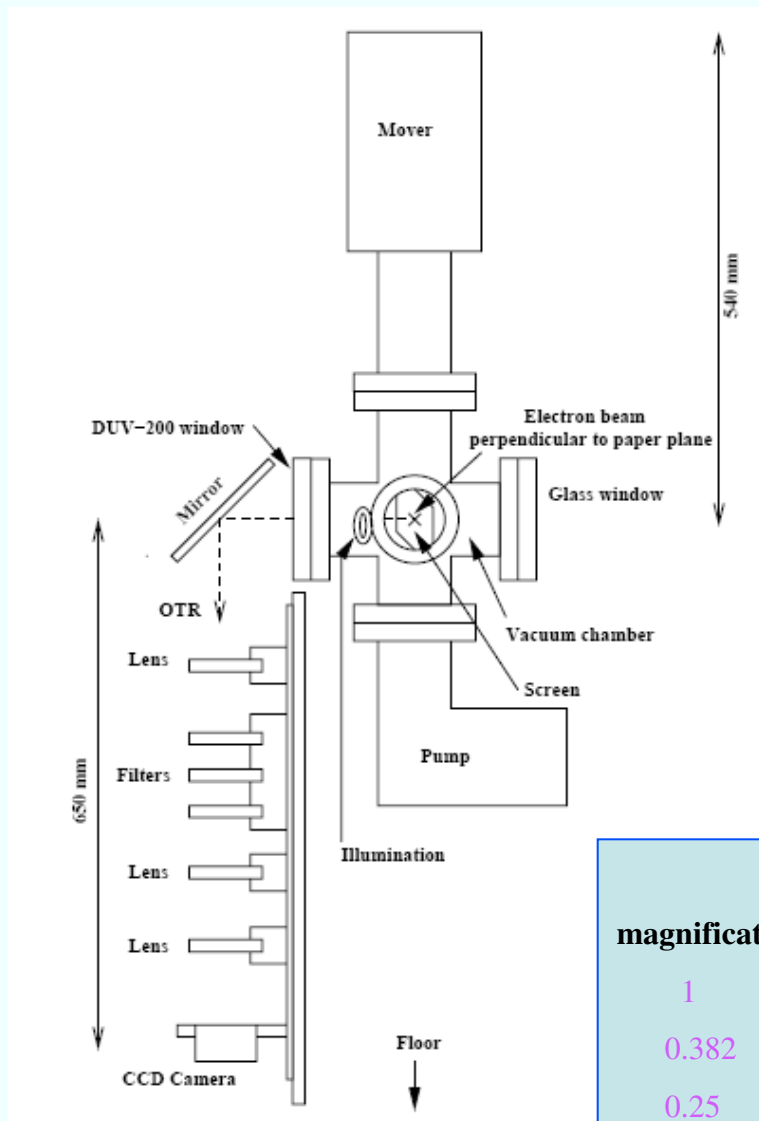
⇒ first minimum of PSF (→ diameter of Airy disk)



M: magnification

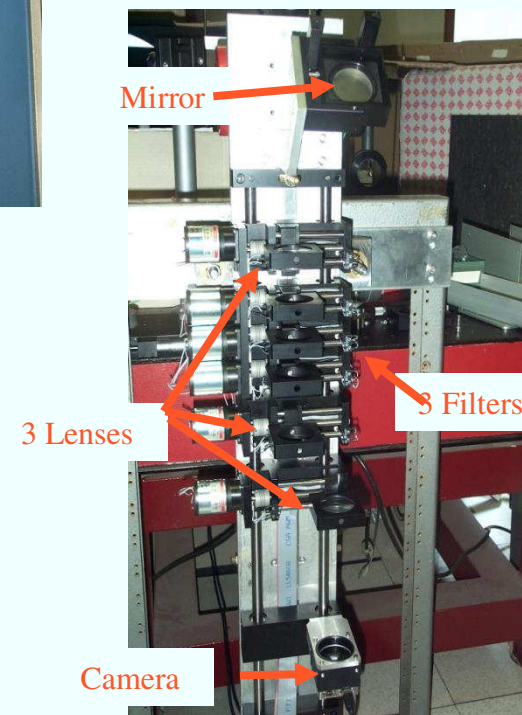
θ_m : lens acceptance angle

OTR Monitors at FLASH

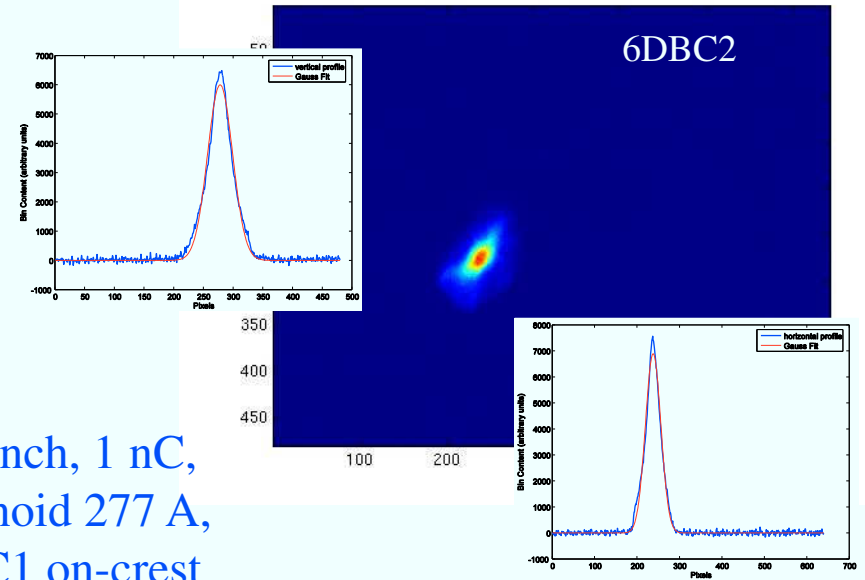
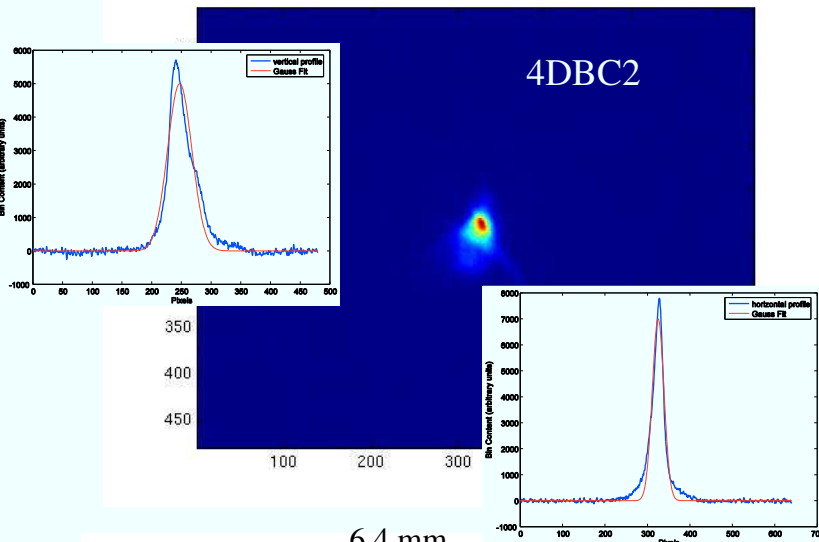


K. Honkavaara et al., Proc. PAC 2003, p.2476

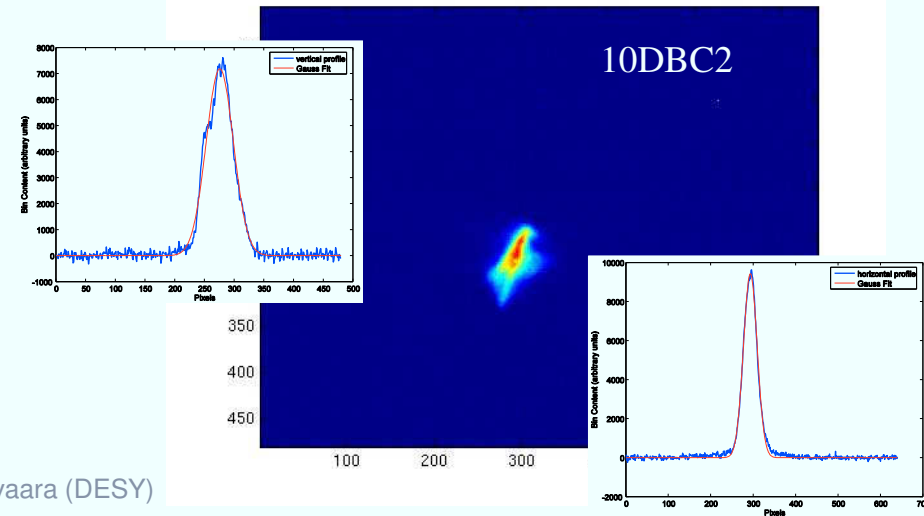
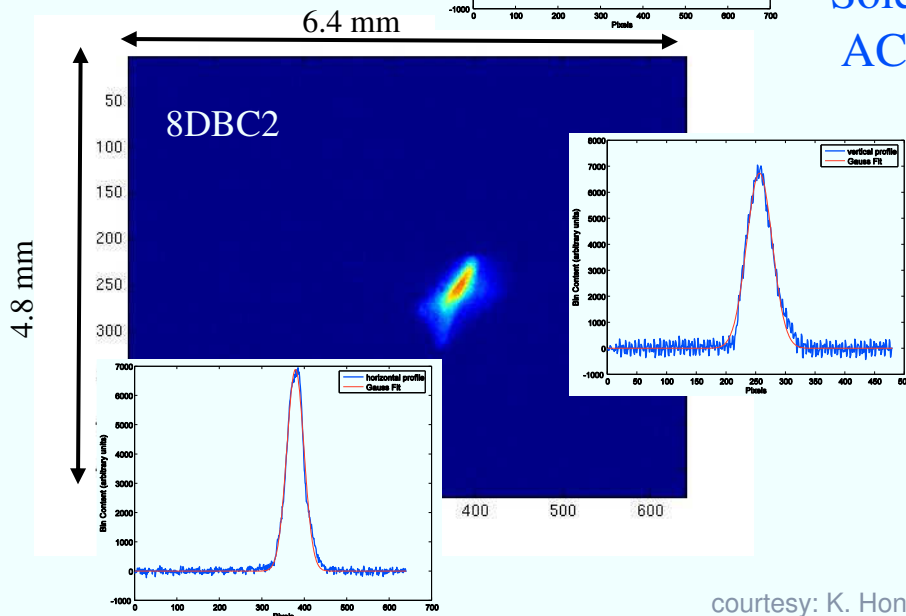
optical system			
magnification	f / mm	a / mm	b / mm
1	250	500	500
0.382	200	724	276
0.25	160	800	200



Example of Beam Images (matched)



1 bunch, 1 nC,
Solenoid 277 A,
ACC1 on-crest



courtesy: K. Honkavaara (DESY)

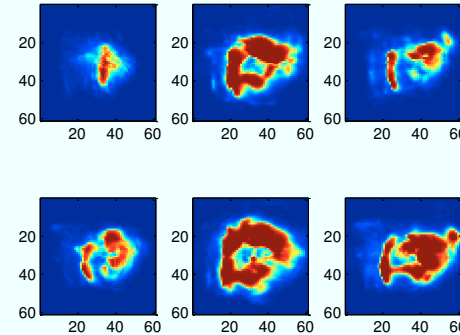
COTR and possible Mitigation

unexpected Coherent OTR observation during LCLS commissioning

R. Akre et al., Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams **11** (2008) 030703

H. Loos et al., Proc. FEL 2008, Gyeongju, Korea, p.485.

- ▶ strong shot-to-shot fluctuations
- ▶ doughnut structure
- ▶ change of spectral contents



courtesy:
H. Loos (SLAC)

➡ measured spot is no beam image!

interpretation of coherent formation in terms of "Microbunching Instability"

E.L. Saldin et al., NIM **A483** (2002) 516

Z. Huang and K. Kim, Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams **5** (2002) 074401

G. Stupakov, Proc. IPAC 2014, Dresden, Germany (2014), p.2789.

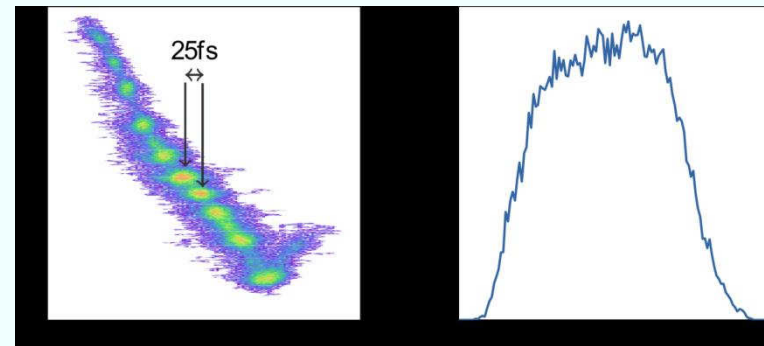
alternative schemes for transverse profile diagnostics

- ▶ long term perspective: TR imaging at smaller λ



proof of principle experiment @ $\lambda = 19.6$ nm:

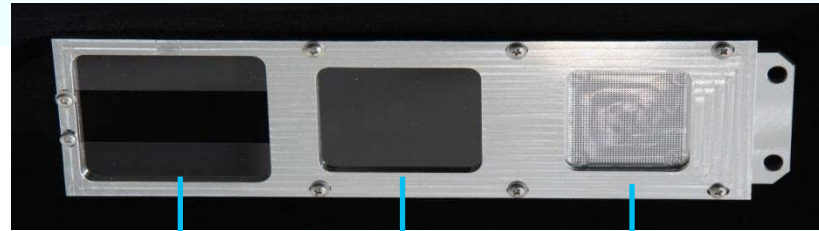
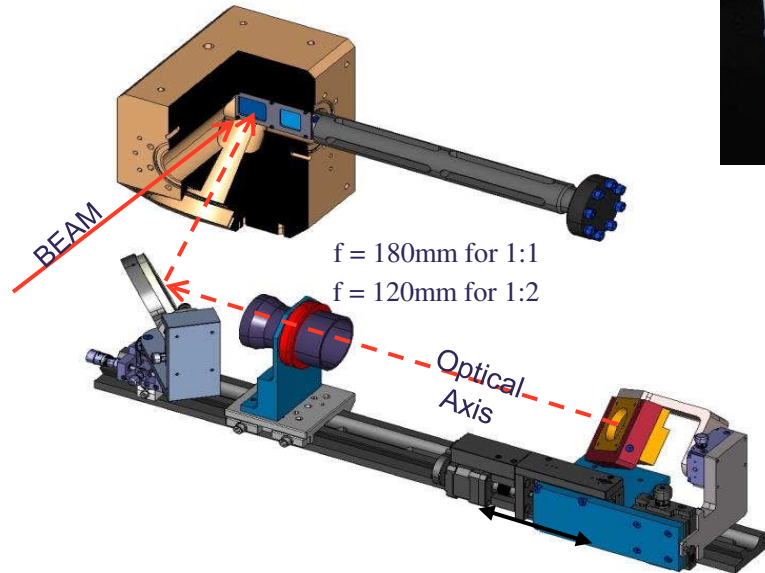
L.G. Sukhikh, G. Kube, S. Bajt et al., Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams **17** (2014) 112805



- ▶ short term perspective: scintillating screen monitors

Screen Station for E-XFEL

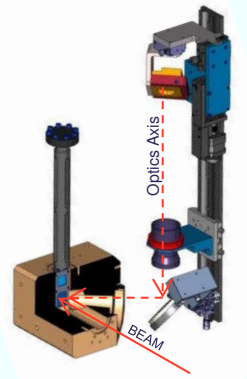
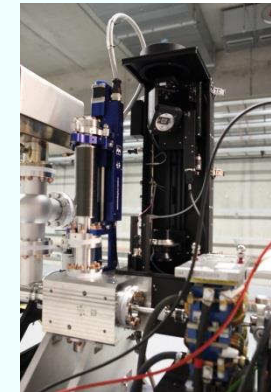
monitor setup



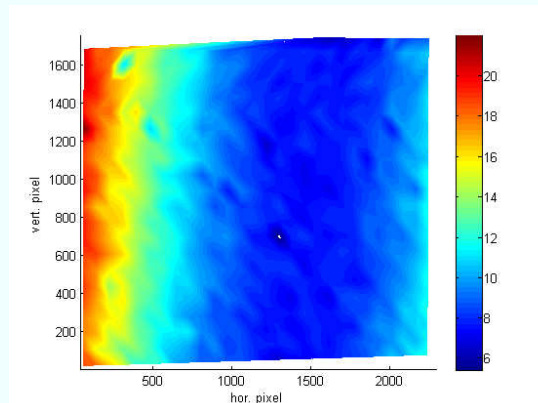
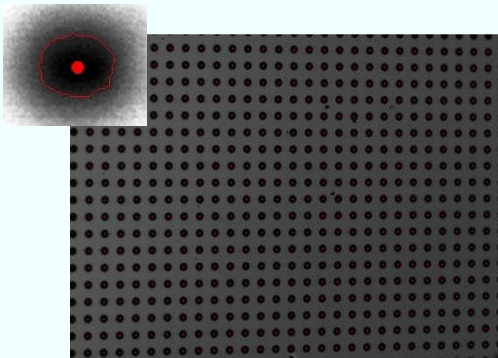
- dot grid target (spot $\varnothing .50\text{mm}$)
- 200 μm thick LYSO screen (on-axis)
- 2 half 200 μm thick LYSO screens (off-axis)



FLASH II installation



optical resolution



- Scheimpflug observation geometry
- 10.5 μm average resolution
(dot $\rightarrow$ optical „step“ function)

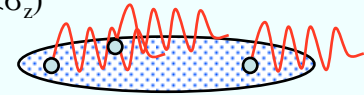
Longitudinal Profile Diagnostics

■ Coherent Radiation Diagnostics (CRD)

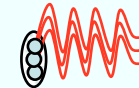
- ▶ standard method for radiation based bunch length diagnostics

O. Grimm, Proc. PAC 2007, Albuquerque, USA, p.2653

long bunch ($\lambda < \sigma_z$)



short bunch ($\lambda > \sigma_z$)



$\sigma_t \approx 100$ fsec

■ electro-optical (EO) techniques

principle idea:

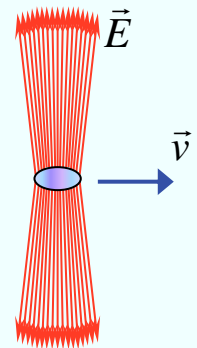
- ▶ statement about **bunch profile** via longitudinal extension of particle bunch **Coulomb field**
→ good approximation for ultra-relativistic beam energies ($1/\gamma$ opening angle)

task:

- ▶ detection of transient Coulomb field → **electro-optical detection in THz region**
 - imprint influence of Coulomb field onto **electro-optical** crystal
 - convert action in crystal into detectable signal

opt. intensity variation → laser + polarizer + analyzer

following 2 talks by Andrii Borysenko and Mateusz Tyrk



$\sigma_t \approx 30$ fsec

■ Transverse Deflecting Structure (TDS)

- ▶ intra-beam streak camera

→ potential for sub-fsec resolution

→ access to slice parameters

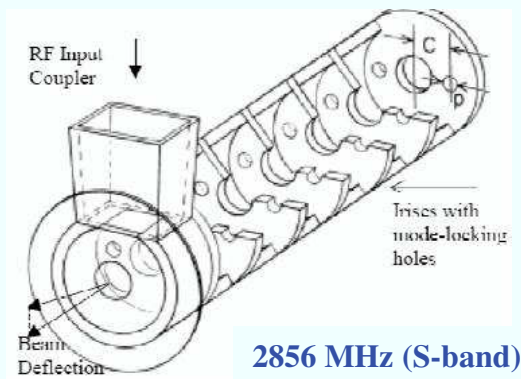
RF Cavity Manipulation

■ Transverse Deflecting Structures (TDS)

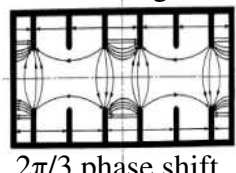
- iris loaded RF waveguide structure
- designed to provide hybrid deflecting modes ($HEM_{1,1}$)
 - linear combination of $TM_{1,1}$ and $TE_{1,1}$ dipole modes, resulting in transverse force that act on synchronously moving relativistic particle beam
- used for beam separators and RF deflectors

traveling wave RF deflector "LOLA-type"

→ SLAC design



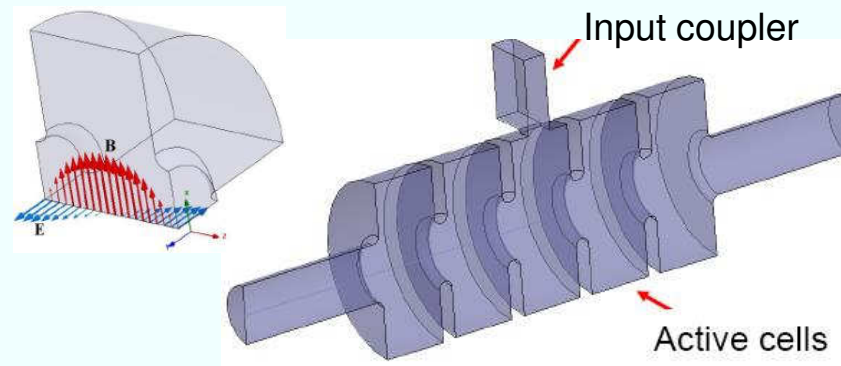
E-field configuration



$2\pi/3$ phase shift per cell

standing wave RF deflector

→ SPARC-INFN design



courtesy D. Alesini (INFN-LNF)

“LOLA”: G.A. Loew, R.R. Larsen, O.A. Altenmueller

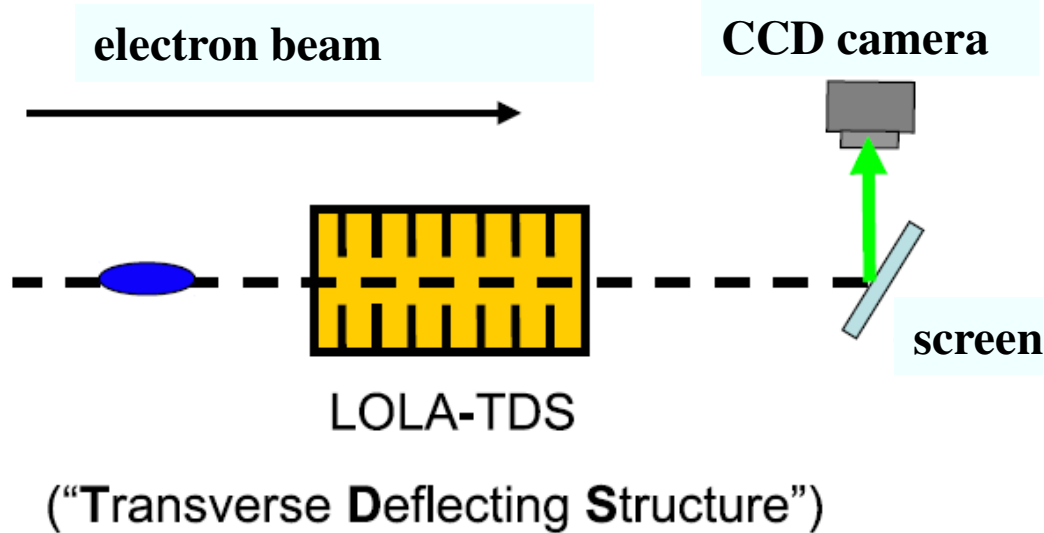
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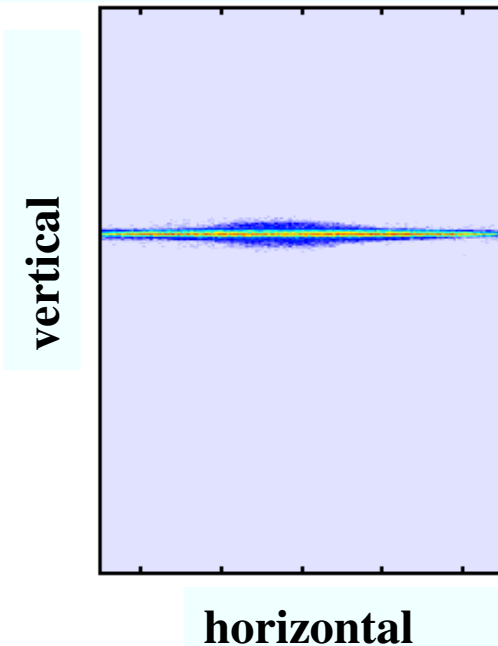
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TDS Working Principle

■ TDS as intra-beam streak camera



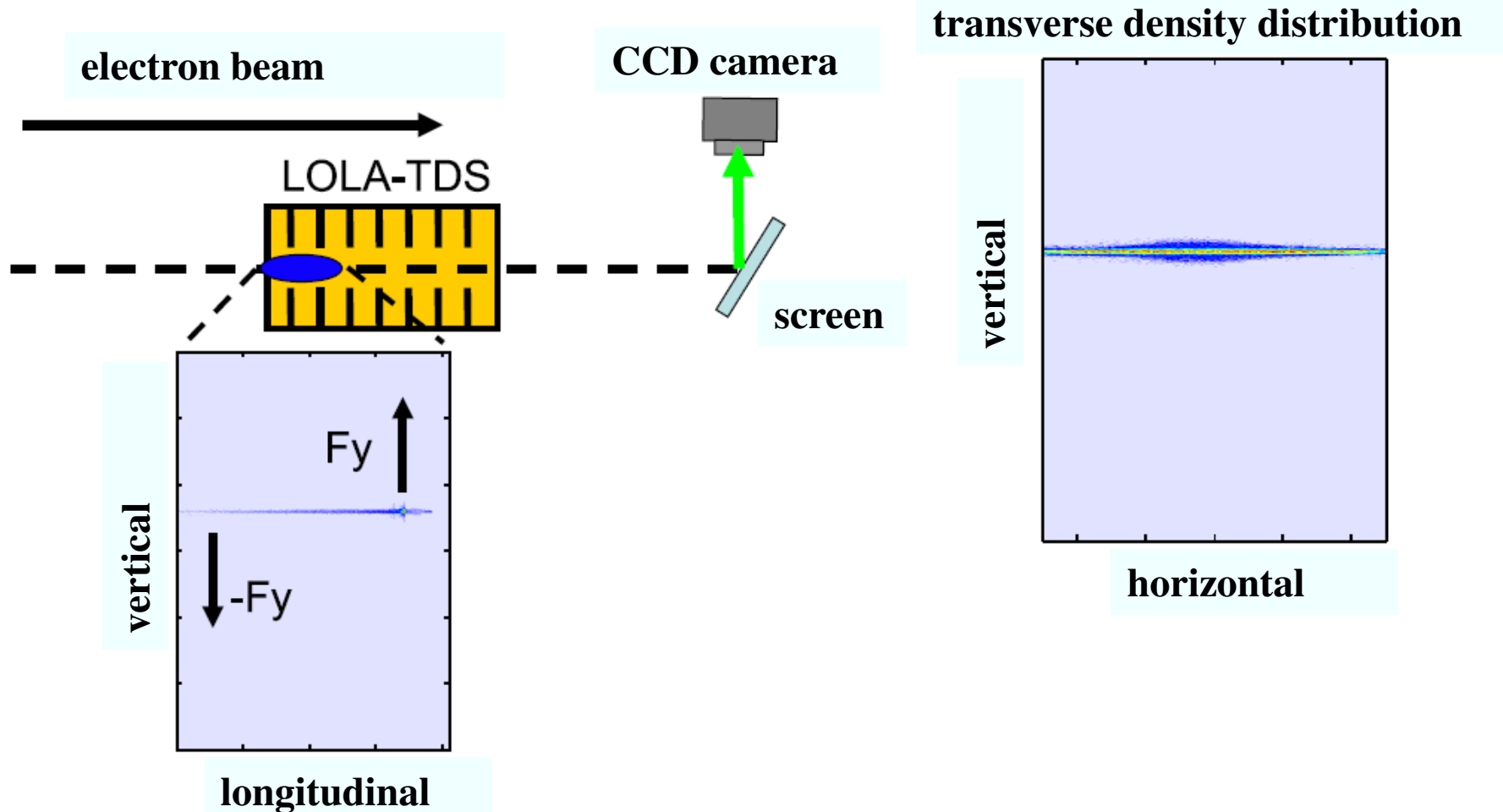
transverse density distribution



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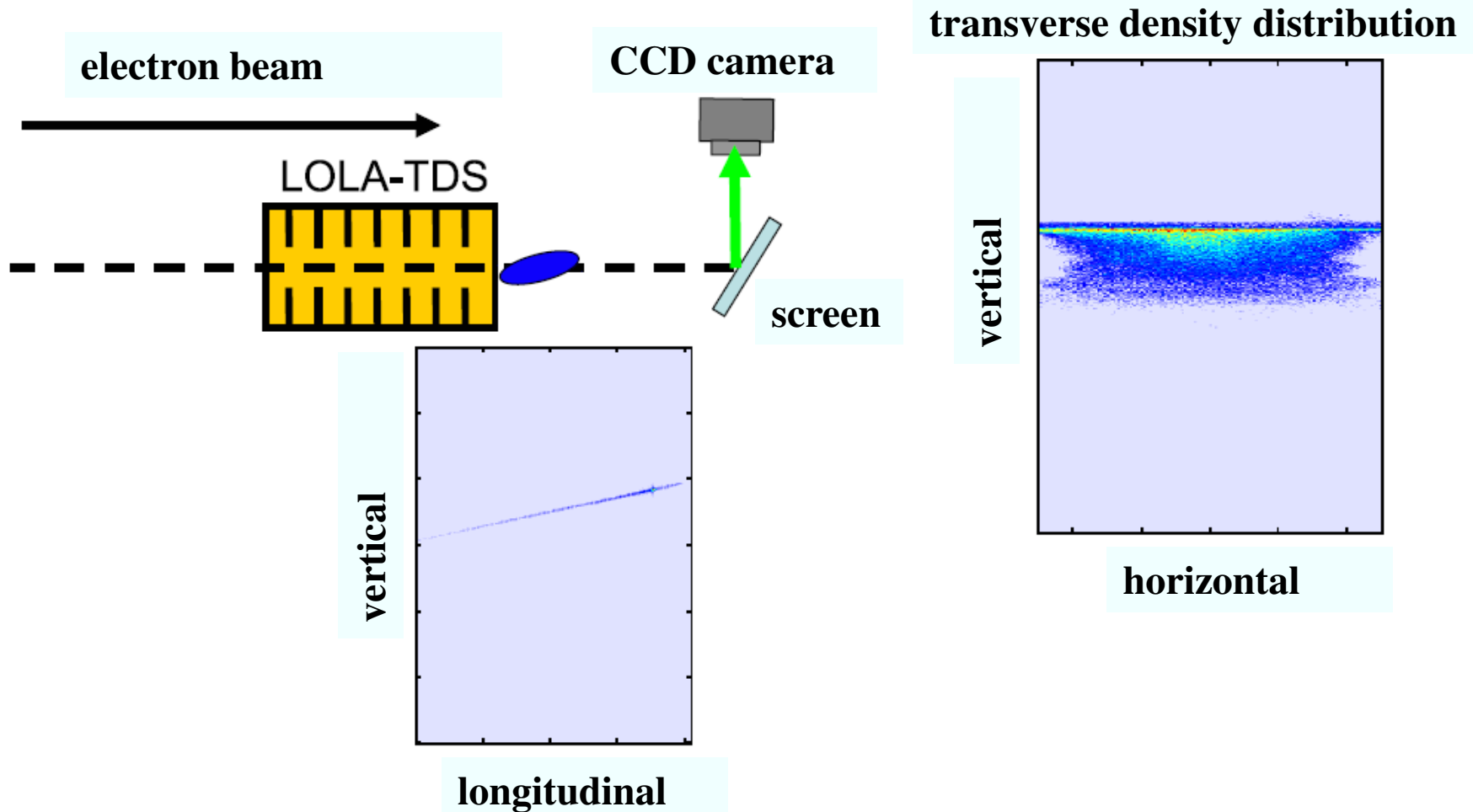
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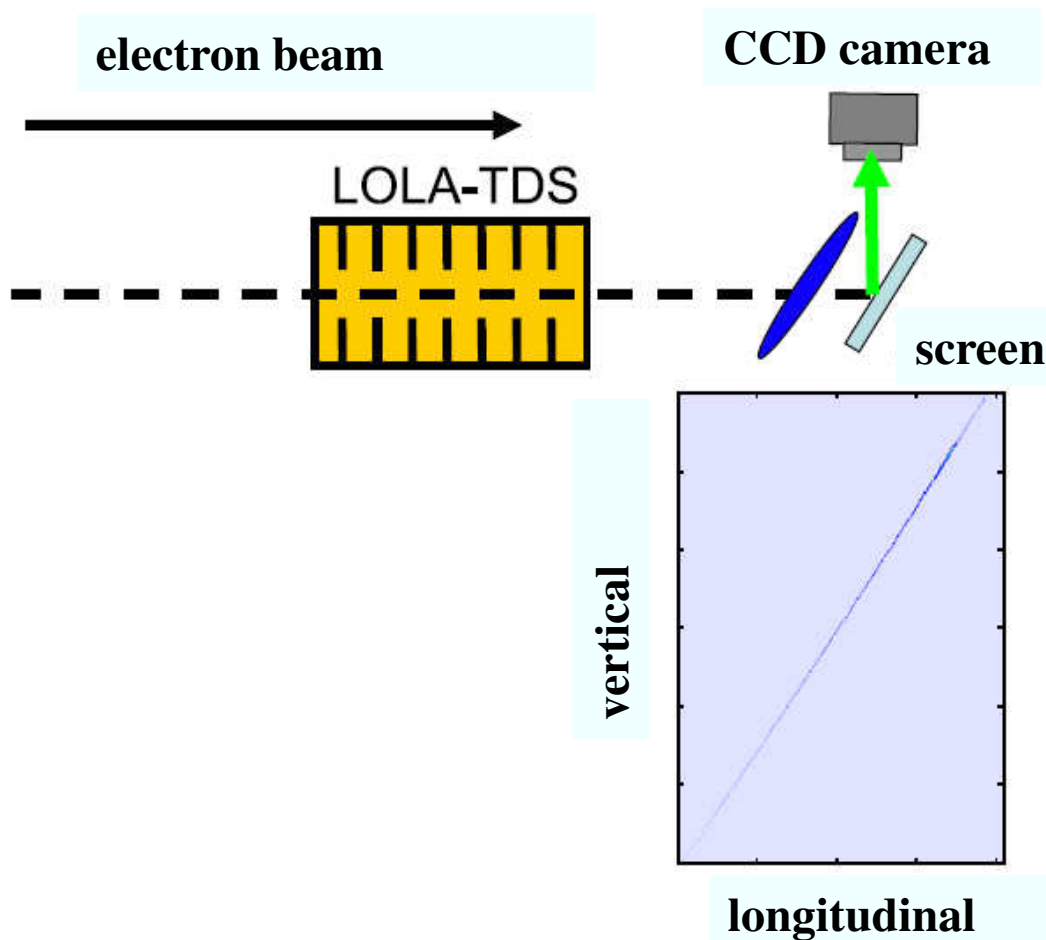
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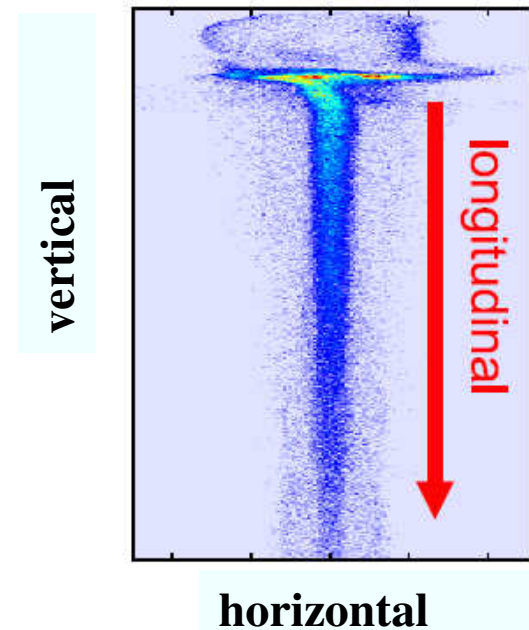
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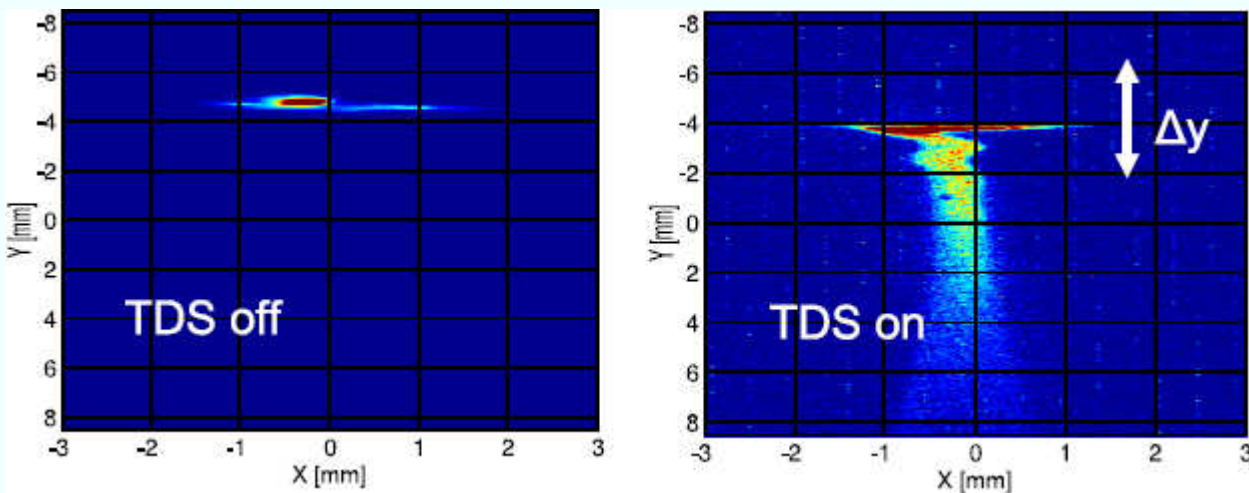
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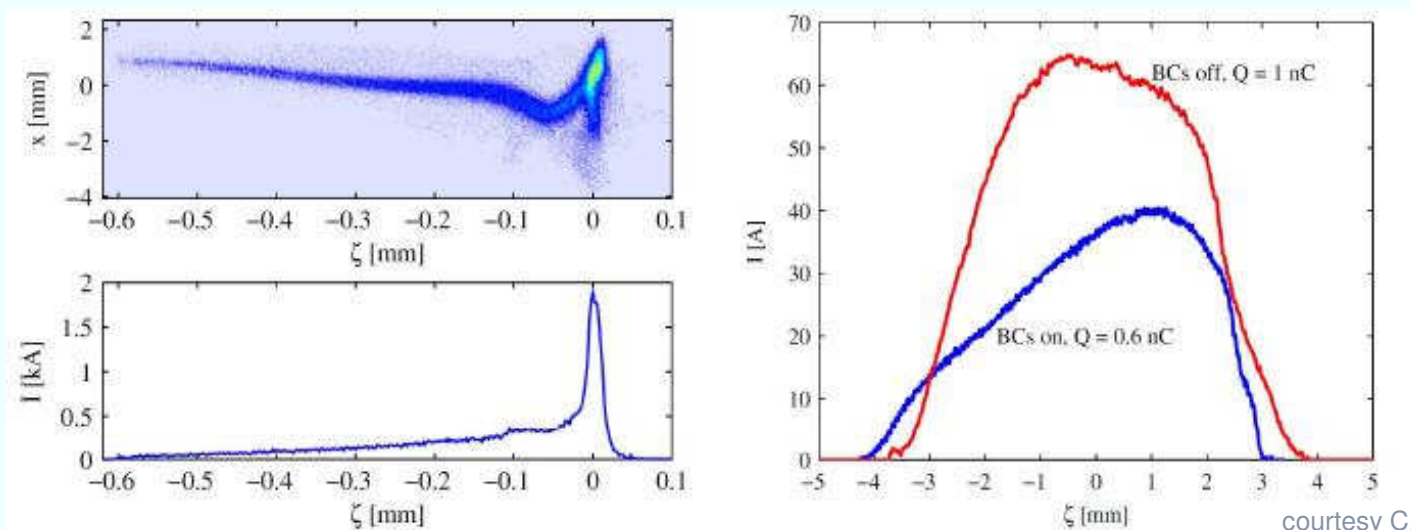
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TDS Measurements

effect of TDS on observation screen



current profiles with (left) and without (right) magnetic compression



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TDS Properties

■ resolution limit

▶ deflected spot size σ_{defl} equals un-deflected beam size σ_{beam} : $\sigma_{\zeta} \rightarrow \sigma_{\zeta, \text{res}} = c \cdot \sigma_{t, \text{res}}$

⇒



▶ good resolution:

- $\Psi = 0$ zero-crossing for bunch centroid
- β_{tds} as large as possible for most effective kick
- $\Delta\Phi$ 90/270° ideal for phase advance
- V_0 high deflecting voltage (high RF power)
- f_{RF} high RF frequency

X-band TDS @ LCLS: $f_{\text{RF}} = 11.424 \text{ GHz} \rightarrow \sigma_{t, \text{res}} = 1 - 4 \text{ fsec (rms)}$

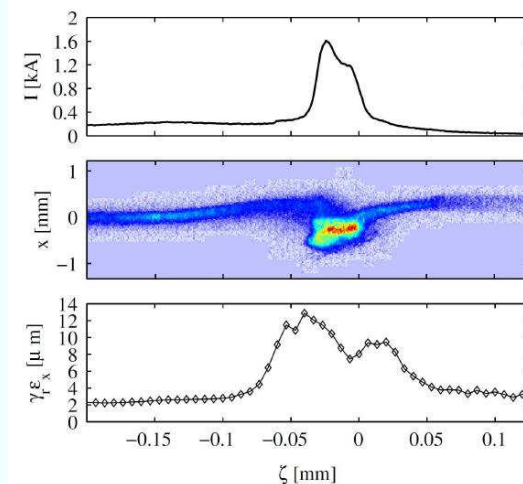
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■ TDS for slice profile (emittance) diagnostics

- ▶ camera at view screen (OTR) delivers 2D information
 - vertical beam size: bunch length information
 - horizontal beam size: transverse profile information
- ▶ streaked image
 - transv. profile as function of long. position (slice) ζ
 - access to slice emittance

example:

$$\sigma_{t, \text{res}} = 10.5 \text{ fsec} / \sin\Delta\Phi$$



TDS @ LCLS, FLASH, SPARC, ...

- low energy TW RF deflector @ LCLS



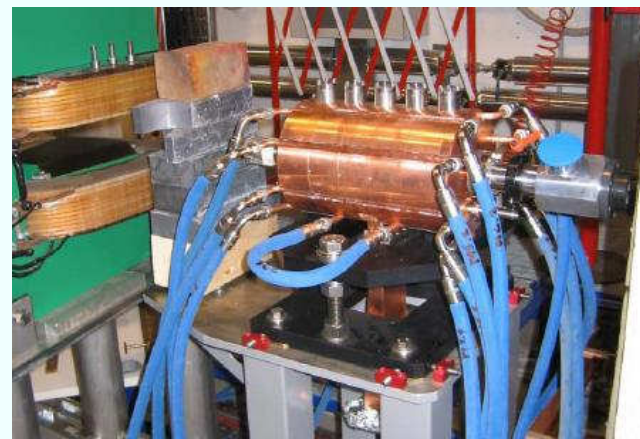
- TW RF deflector @ FLASH



- X-band TDS @ LCLS



- SW RF deflector @ SPARC



Beam Synchronous Timing (BST)

T. Korhonen , Proc. ICALEPCS'99 , Trieste, Italy (1999) p.167

■ BST tasks

- ▶ generate and remotely distribute phase reference
- ▶ trigger fast sub-systems
- ▶ trigger slow systems
- ▶ interface to the control system

■ two levels of timing

- ▶ fast timing → level of individual bunches
- ▶ slow timing → level of revolution clock (circ. accelerator) or bunch (train) repetition rate (linac)

■ synchronization

- ▶ local task → implemented at different clients of timing system

■ BST building blocks (expected timing jitter)

- ▶ reference oscillator → phase reference for all sub-systems ($\approx$ ps to fs)
- ▶ master time-base (event system) → trigger, bunch clock, injection/extraction, experiment triggers ($\approx$ ns to ps)
- ▶ distribution system (coaxial vs. fiber optics) → phase reference (down to fs), trigger (100ps to <10ps)
- ▶ interface to the control system

courtesy M. Ferianis (Sincrotrone Trieste)

fs-Synchronization System @ FLASH



■ distribution of synchronization reference

courtesy M. Felber (DESY)

- ▶ star topology

■ optical reference pulse train

- ▶ mode-locked Erbium Doped Fiber Laser
- ▶ repetition rate 216.7 MHz

→ 6th subharmonic of accelerator RF

■ point-to-point stability over several km:

- ▶ short term: < 1 fsec

- ▶ long term: < 3.5 fsec

→ rms values, measured out-of-loop with independent detector

■ applications:

- ▶ Bunch Arrival Time Monitor (BAM)

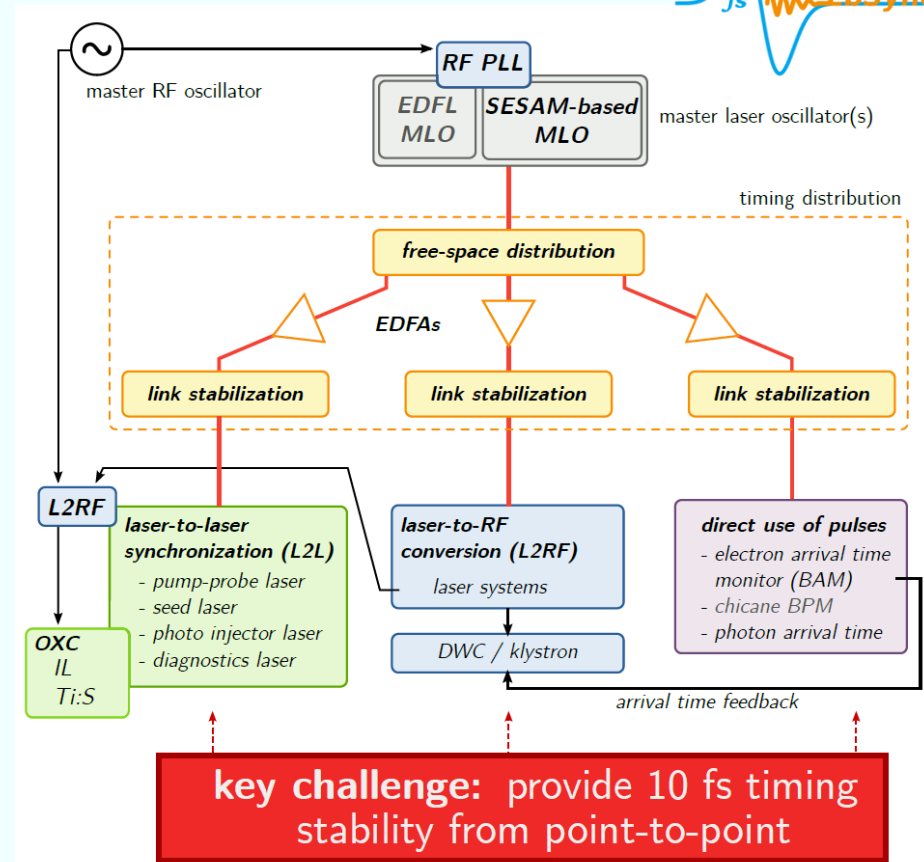
→ beam based arrival time feedback

- ▶ laser synchronisation

→ e.g. pump-probe, seed, injector,...

- ▶ RF reference stabilization or generation

→ LLRF stability



→ user driven (pump-probe)

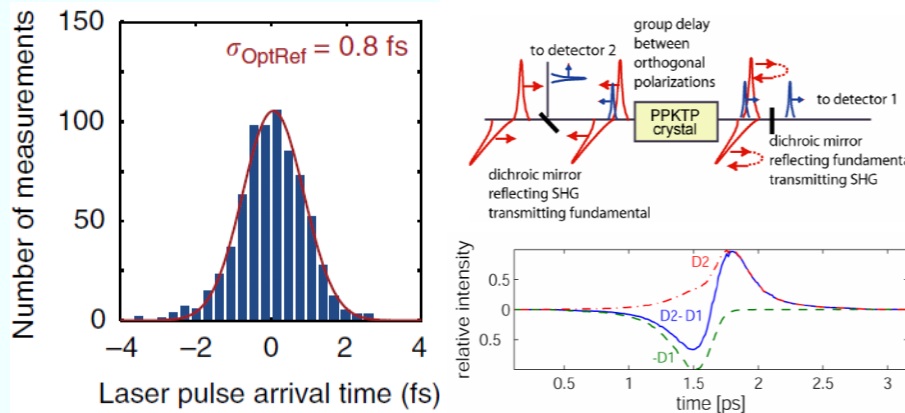
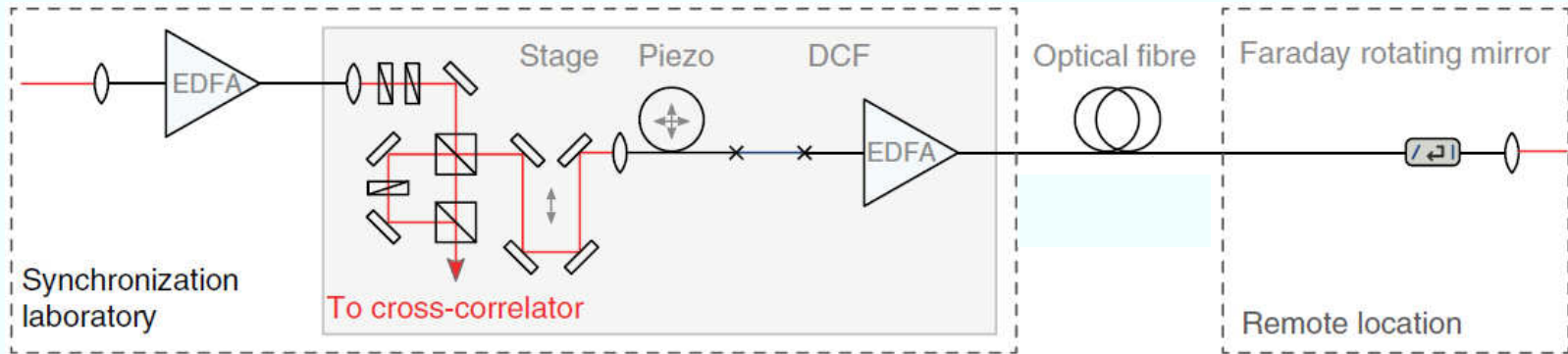
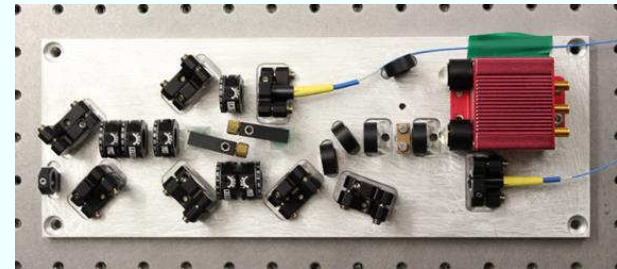
Fiber Link Stabilization

interferometric method

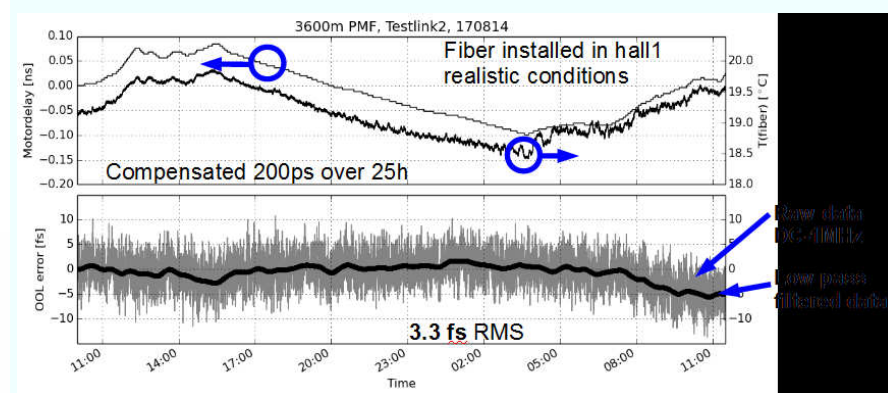
based on balanced optical cross-correlation

- fast actuator: piezo stretcher
- coarse actuator: motorized delay

courtesy M. Felber (DESY)



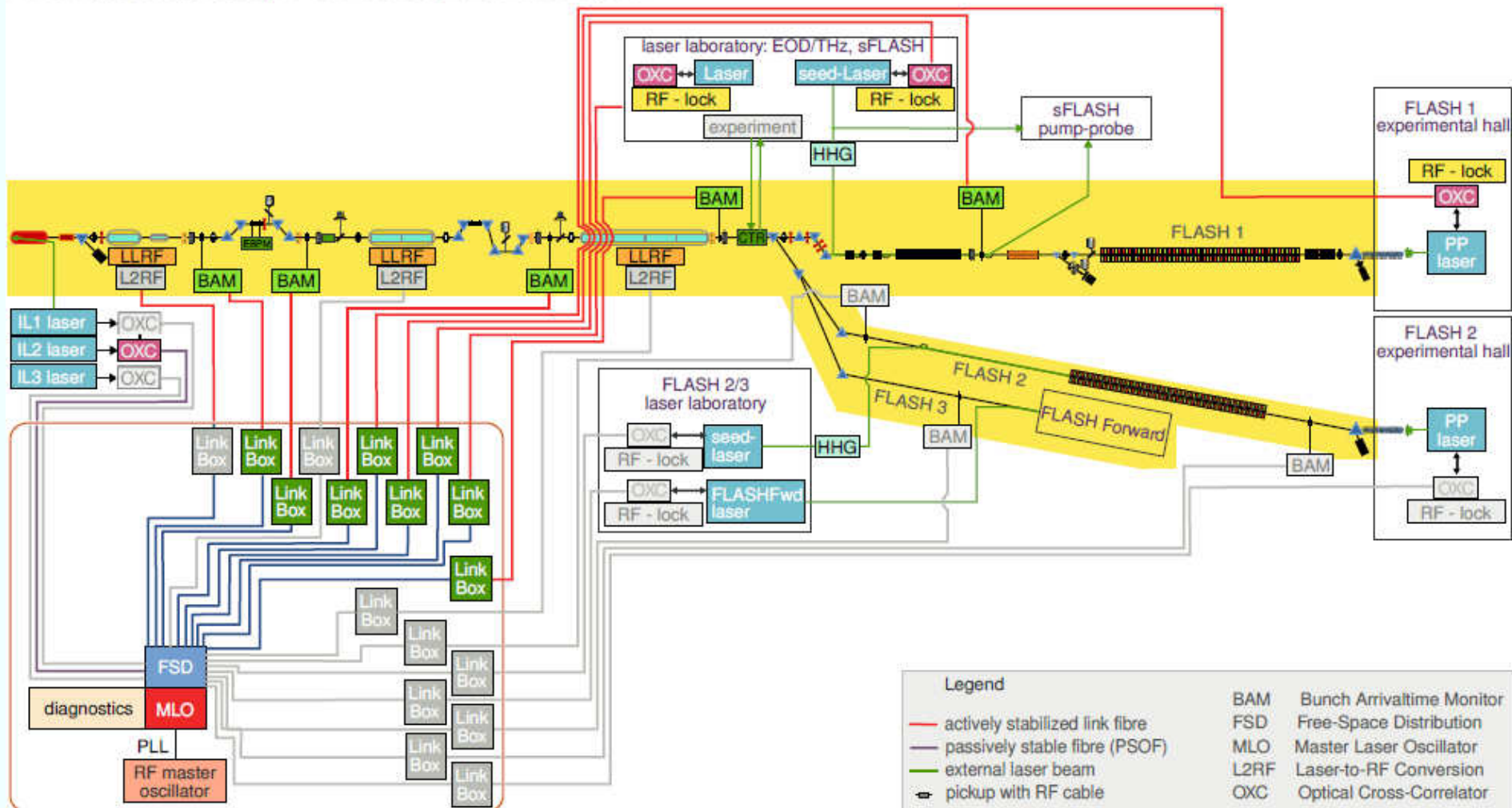
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Synchronization System @ FLASH

FLASH accelerator facility & laser-based synchronisation system

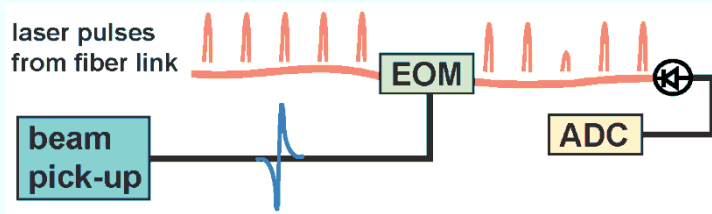


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Beam-based Arriv. Time Stabilization

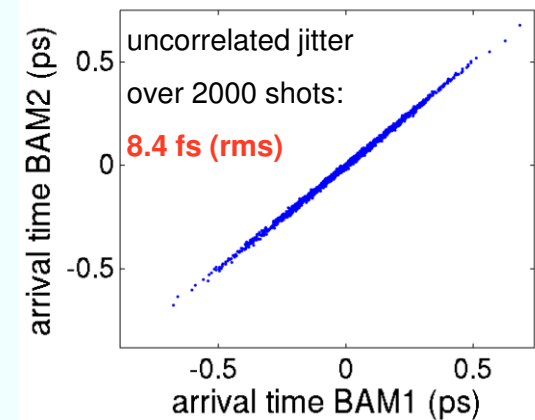
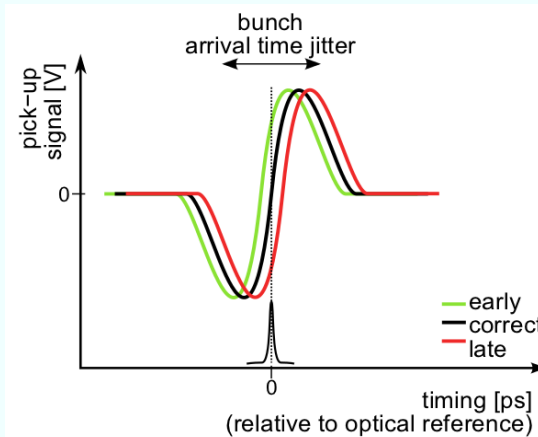
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■ Bunch Arrival Time Monitor (BAM)

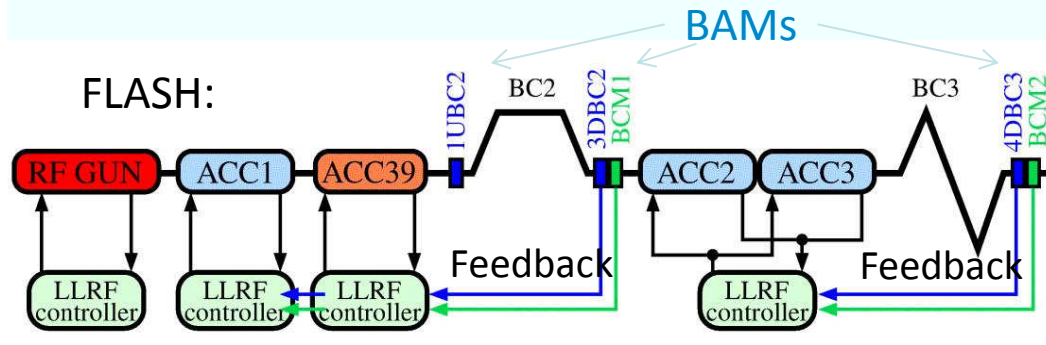
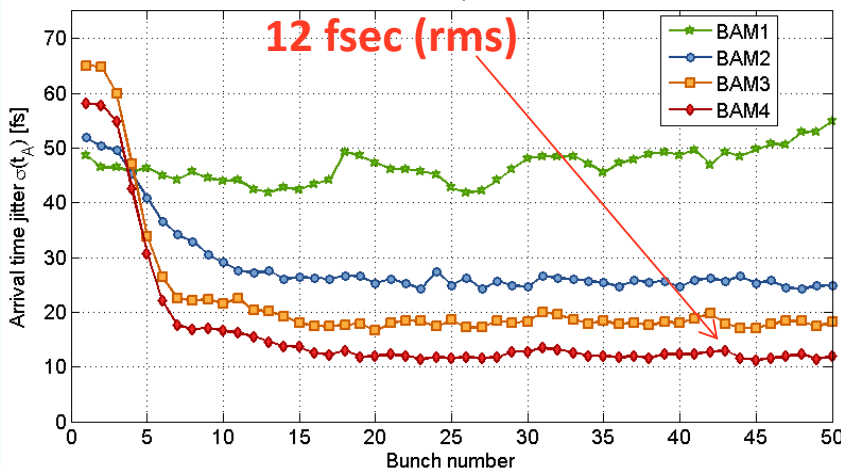


▶ electro-optical arrival time measurement:

→ < 10 fsec precision (> 300 pCb)



■ arrival time stability:



▶ fast feedback to LLRF station before bunch compressor (2 μ sec latency, settling within 7 μ sec)

→ arrival time stabilization to < 20 fsec precision

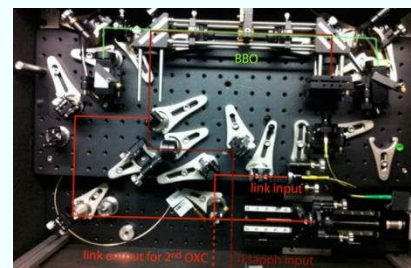
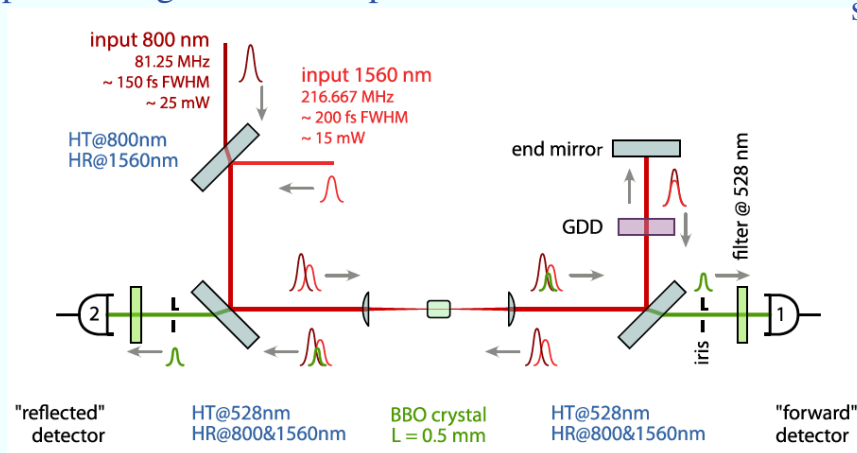
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Laser Synchronization

- e.g. Ti:Sa pump-probe laser
- balanced optical cross correlation
 - ▶ twofold sum frequency generation in BBO
 - ▶ pure timing sensitive response

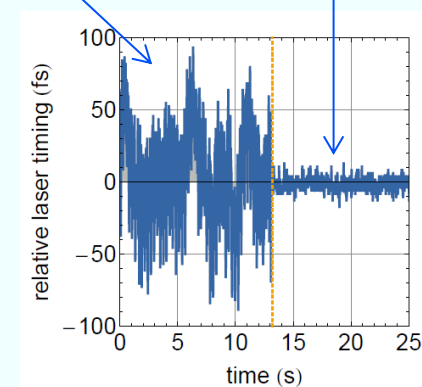
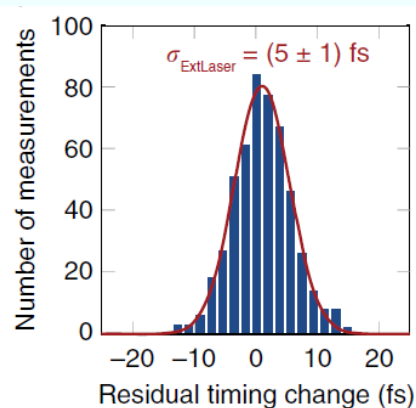
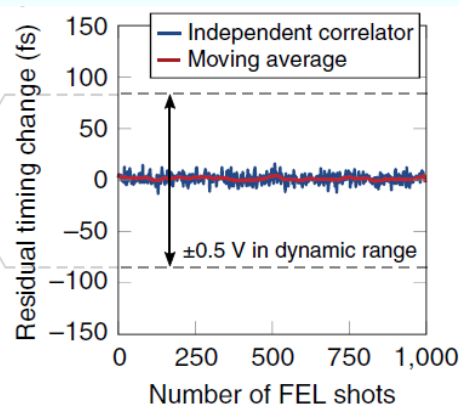
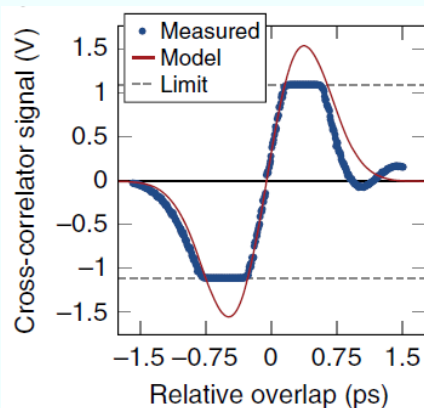
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- ▶ balanced detection scheme
- ▶ elimination of amplitude changes by subtraction of both detector signals



conventional RF lock:
35 fs rms

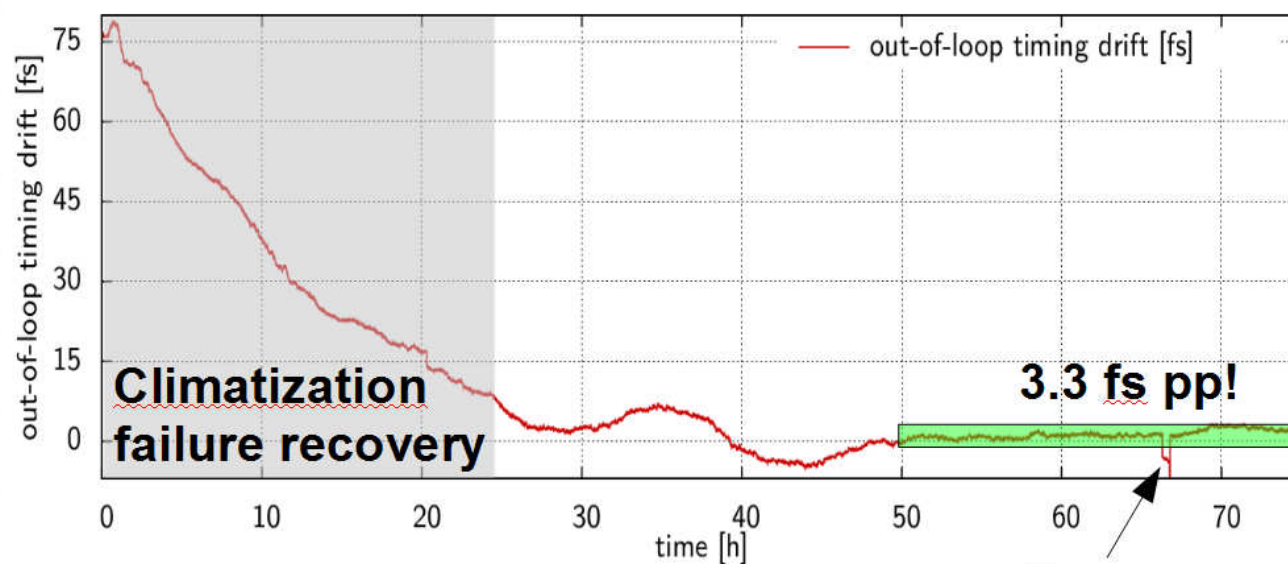
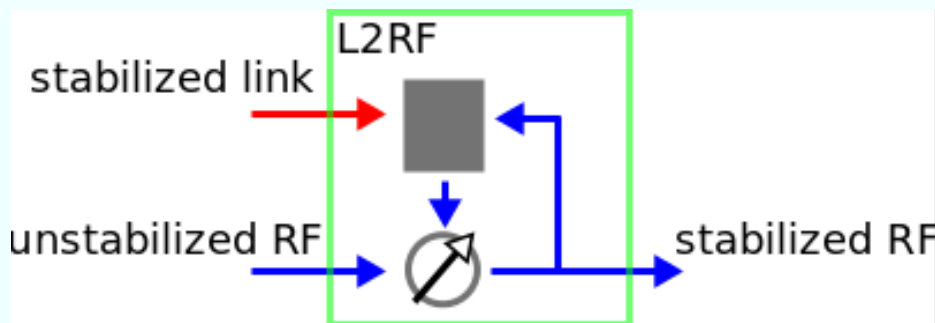
optical lock:
6 fs rms



Laser RF Phase Detector

- for RF synchronization or laser-to-RF lock

courtesy E. Janas (DESY)



T. Lamb et. al. "Femtosecond stable laser-to-RF phase detection for optical synchronization systems", IBIC 2013

- 2.44 fsec integrated jitter measured out of loop (10 Hz to 1 MHz)
- 3.3 fsec peak-peak drift over 24 hours

Summary

- overview of diagnostic systems at modern 4th generation light sources
- machine parameters and the requirements are challenging
 - ▣ fancy monitor concepts
- monitor design offers the combination of various fields
 - ▣ physics → radiation physics, interaction with matter, el.magn. theory, laser technology,...
 - ▣ electrical engineering → analog/digital signals, communication technology, control theory,...
 - ▣ mechanical engineering → material science,...
 - ▣ optical engineering → classical optics, lens design, wave optics, electro-optics,...
 - ▣ IT technology → computer science,...
- lasers in beam diagnostics play important role
 - ▣ laser wire scanners, EO techniques, timing and synchronization issues,...
- many thanks
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