

# The European XFEL Project

Overall Design and Accelerator Technology  
FLASH (VUV-FEL) Operation

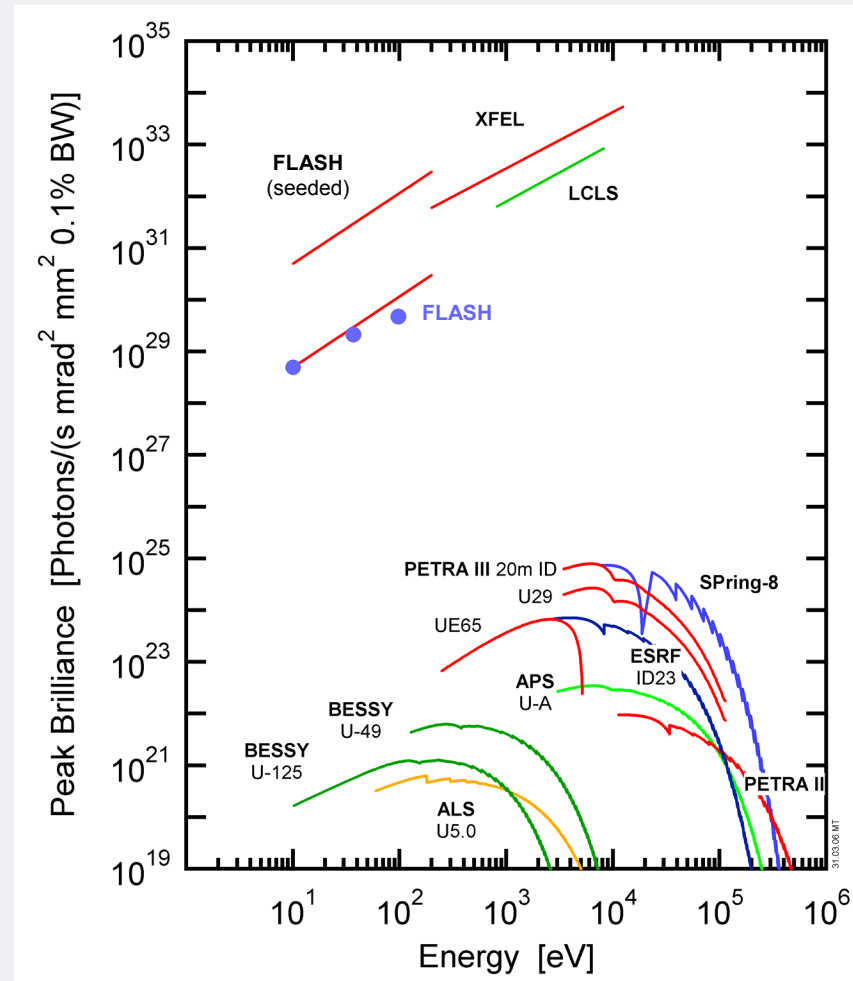
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# Laser Light in the VUV and X-ray Wavelength Regime

Based on the TESLA Technology and based on the VUV-FEL (FLASH)

Proposal Oct. 2002 – X-ray FEL user facility with 20 GeV superconducting linear accelerator in TESLA technology

Approval by German government Feb. 2003 as European Project  
Commitment for 50% of funding + expected max.10% by Hamburg & Schleswig-Holstein, at least 40% European & international partners



# TESLA Technology: An Old Idea as Basis for the XFEL

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**A Possible Apparatus for Electron Clashing-Beam Experiments (\*)**  
M. TIGNER  
*Laboratory of Nuclear Studies, Cornell University - Ithaca, N. Y.*  
(ricevuto il 2 Febbraio 1965)

**1965**

While the storage ring technique for performing clashing-beam experiments (\*) is very elegant in concept it seems worthwhile at the present juncture to investigate other methods which, especially more economic consequence of this particular arrangement. First, by the introduction of superconducting accelerator sections one may avoid the high power necessary to establish the accelerating field. With this technique one might hope to achieve an energy gain of about 11 MeV per meter for a rf power investment of about 12 watt per meter at an operating frequency of about 1000 megacycles per second.

Under these conditions the rf power necessary to establish the accelerating field in the guides would be of the order of 100 megawatt in a standard interaction region.

Fig. 1. Interaction region showing electron beams and focusing lenses.

Fig. 2. Schematic diagram of the proposed apparatus showing the power divider, RF power source, and accelerator section.

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**Technical Design Report**

**March 2001**

# The XFEL Technical Design Report



- 03/2001 XFEL as part of the TESLA LC
- 10/2002 Separation of the XFEL
- 2005 Detailed XFEL acc.layout
- 2006 Final TDR incl. detailed technical layout and experiments



**ILC TDR coming up soon (!)**

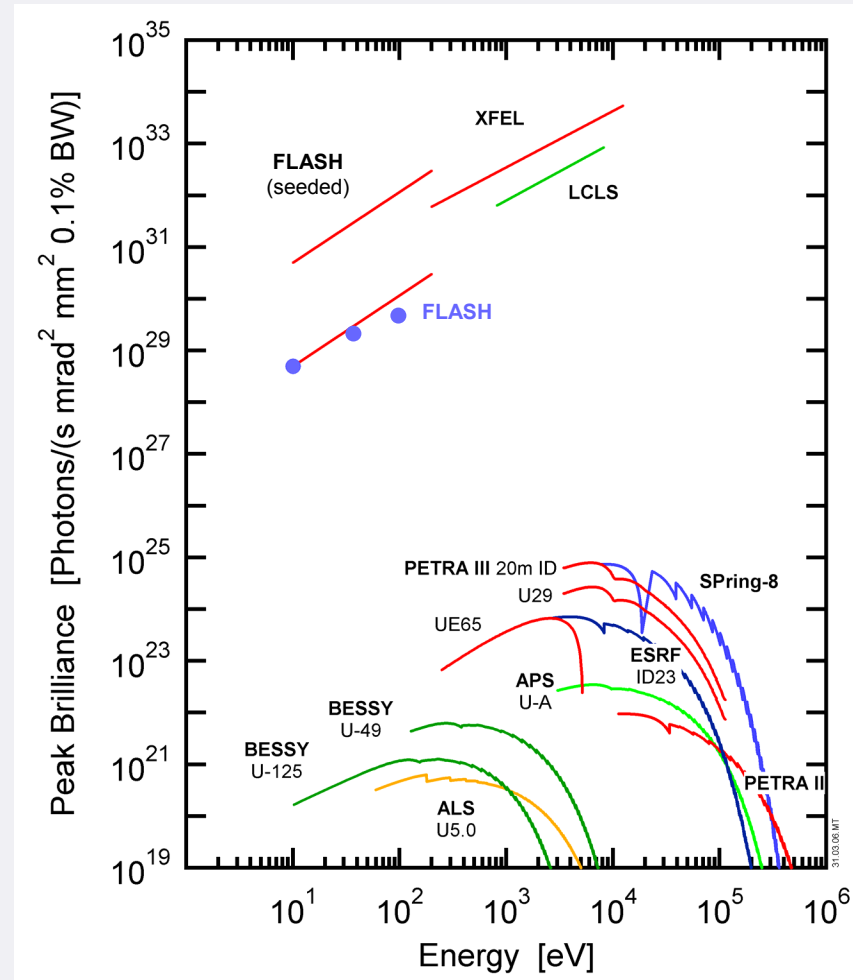
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## X-ray FEL radiation (0.2 - 14.4 keV)

- ultrashort pulse duration <100 fs (rms)
- extreme pulse intensities  $10^{12}$ - $10^{14}$  ph
- coherent radiation  $\times 10^9$
- average brilliance  $\times 10^4$

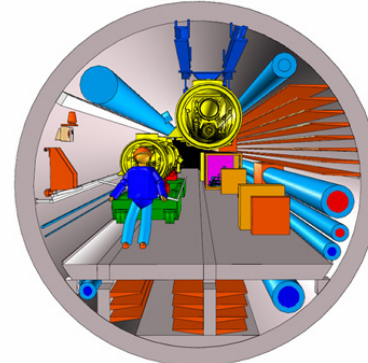
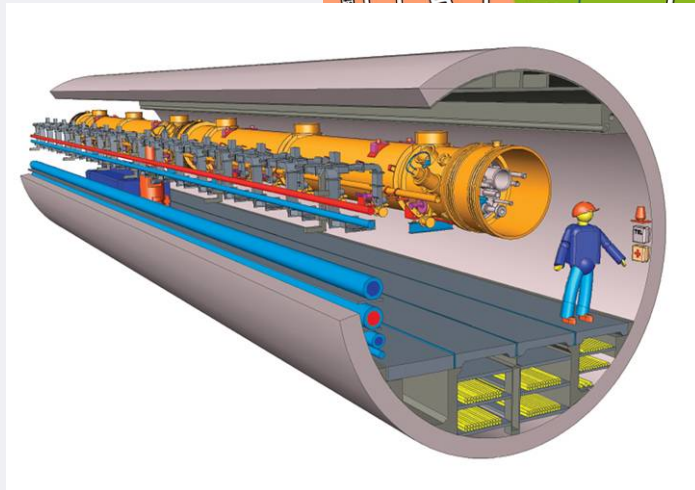
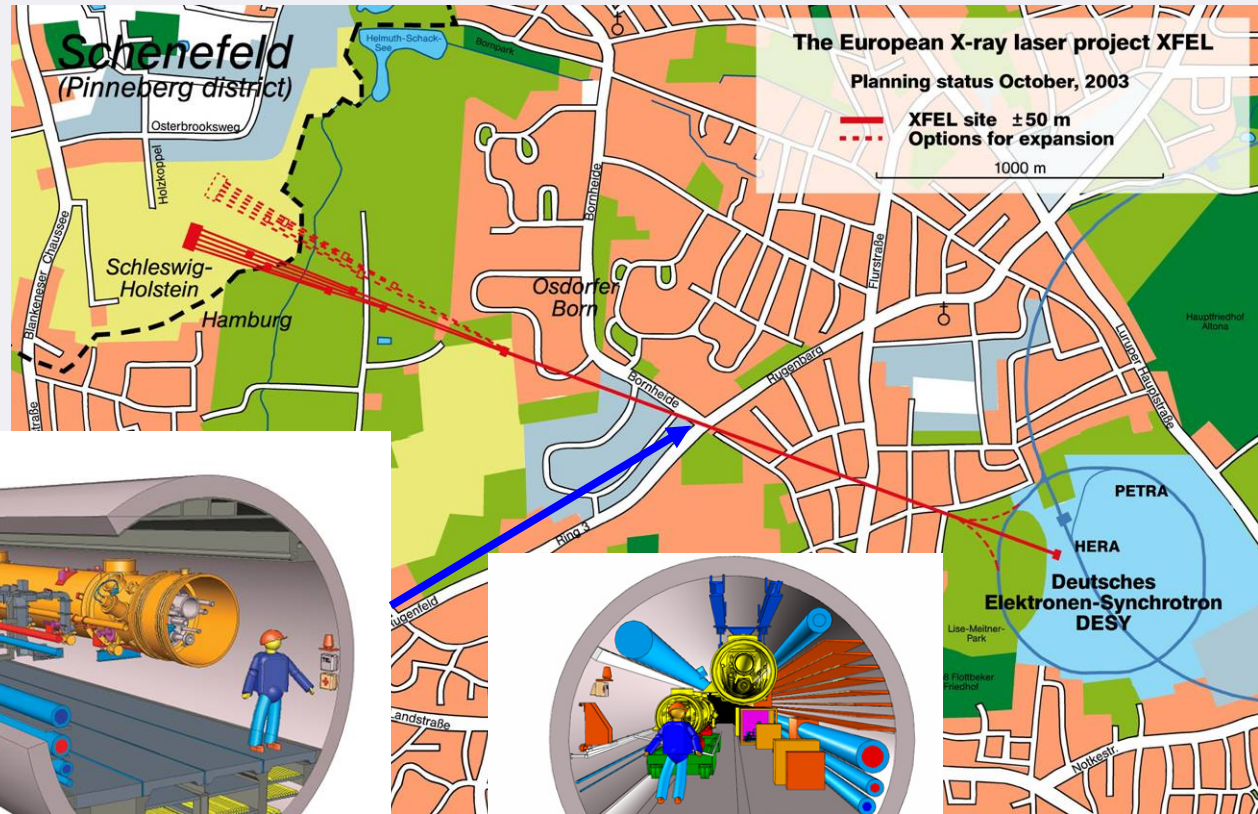
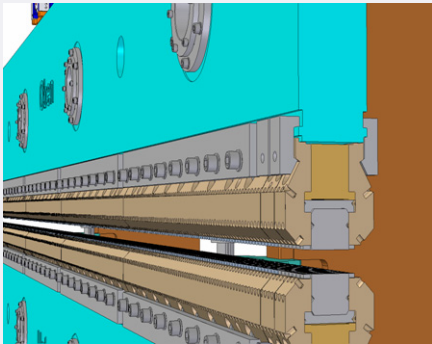
## Spontaneous radiation (20-200 keV)

- ultrashort pulse duration <100 fs (rms)
- high brilliance

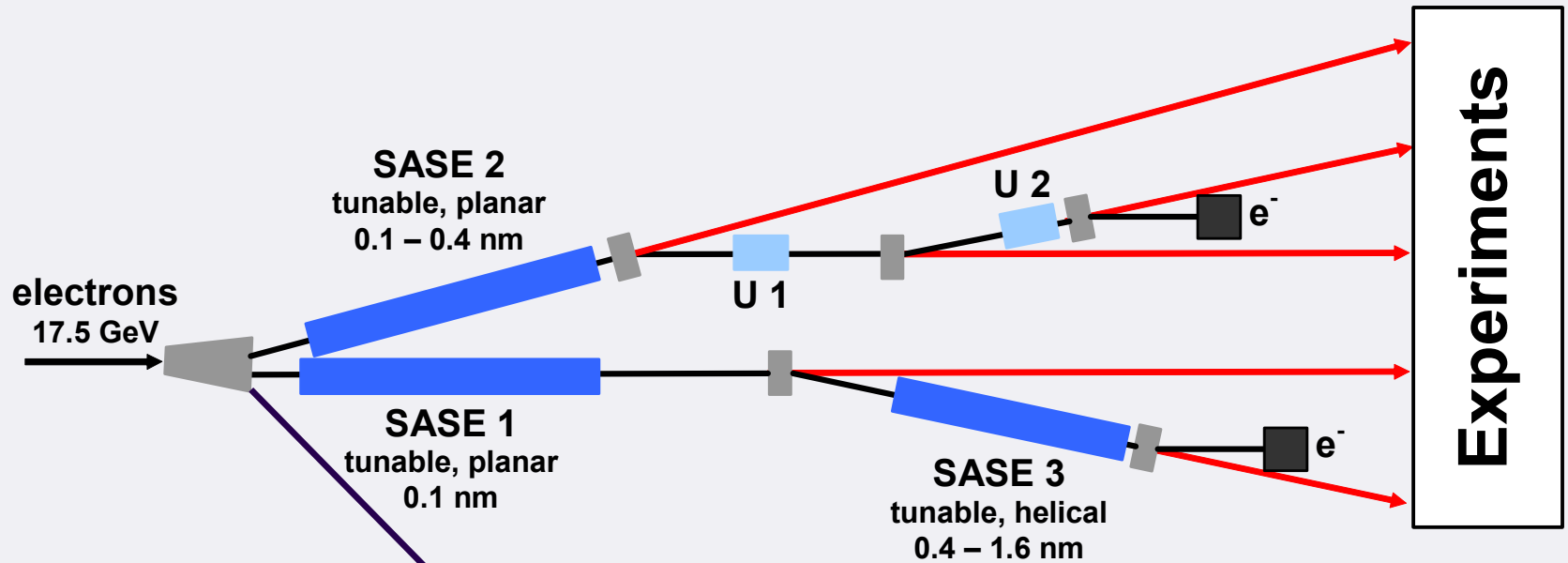


# Overall Layout and Site

← 3.4km →



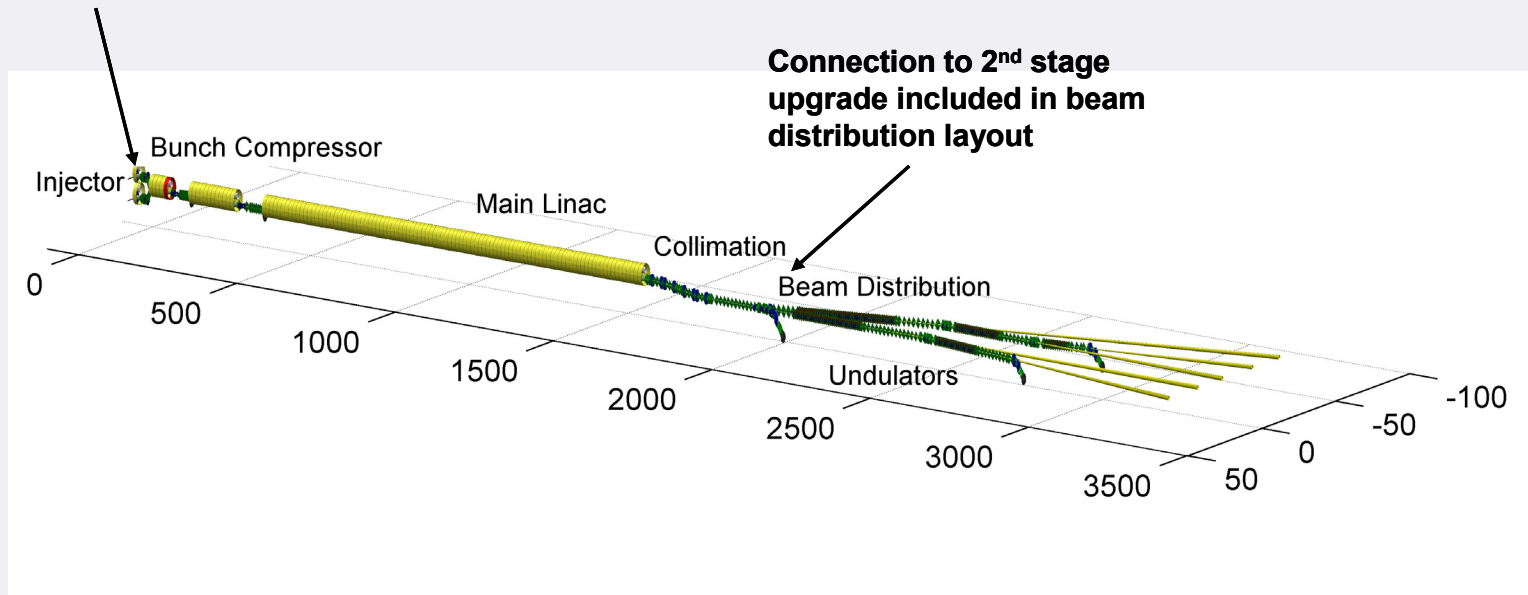
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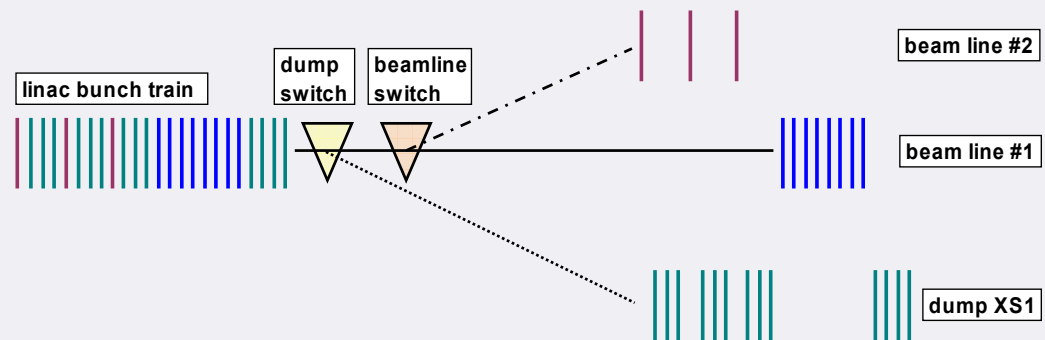
Possible extension by 5 more beam lines  
and 10 experimental stations

# Accelerator Layout and Parameters

One injector initially installed



Different beam time structure to different experiments – concept using kicker devices permits large flexibility without having to change the (preferably homogenous) bunch train structure in the linac



# XFEL Accelerator Layout Supports Availability

**2 – 20 GeV**

**(23 + 2) x 4 = 100 acc.modules**

**800 cavities at 21.7 MV/m or**

**736 cavities at 23.6 MV/m**

**(23 + 2) RF stations inside tunnel**

**500 – 2000 MeV**

**12 acc.modules**

**96 cavities at 15.1 MV/m or**

**64 cavities at 22.6 MV/m**

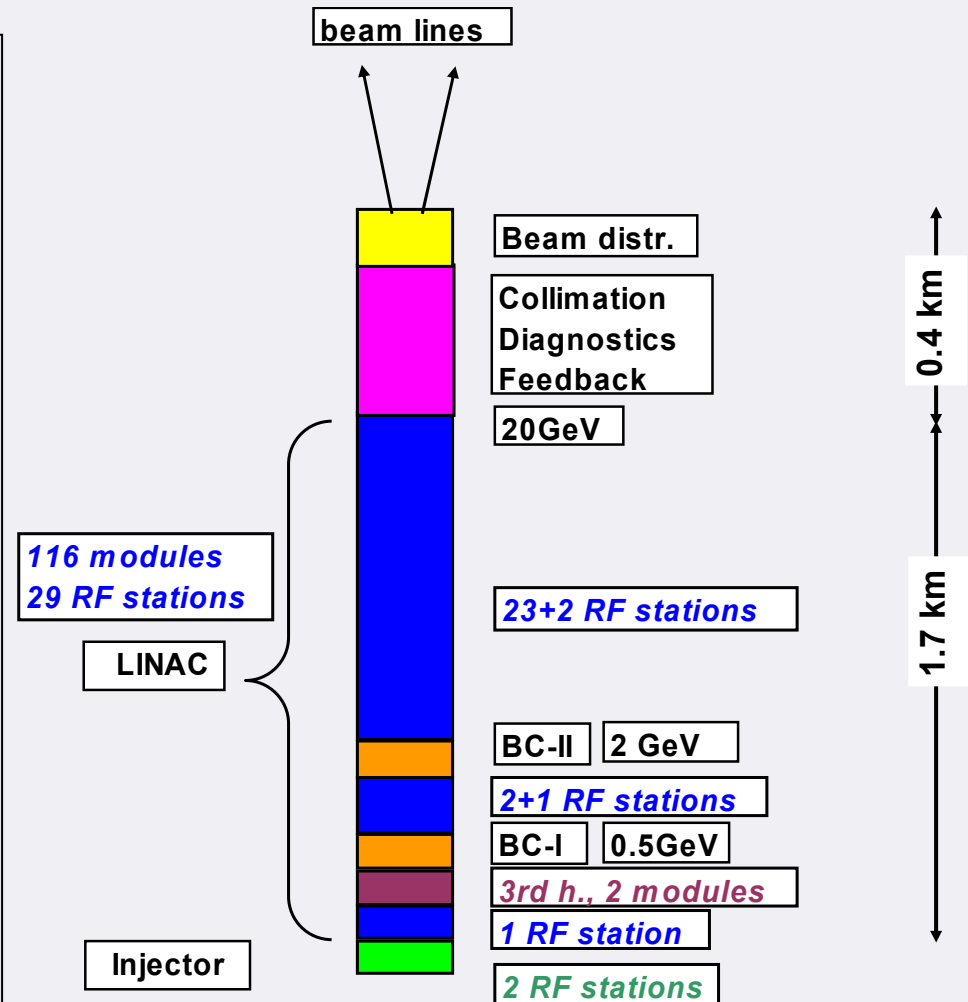
**(2 + 1) RF stations inside tunnel**

**100 – 500 MeV**

**4 acc.mod.**

**32 cavities at 12.5 MV/m**

**RF station outside tunnel**



# XFEL Accelerator Specs. (as Reference)

Energy for 0.1nm wavelength ( <i>max. design energy</i> )	17.5 GeV ( <i>20 GeV</i> )
# of installed accelerator modules	116
# of cavities	928
Acc. Gradient (104 active modules) at 20 GeV	23.6 MV/m
# of installed RF stations	29
Klystron peak power (26 active stations)	5.2 MW
Loaded quality factor $Q_{\text{ext}}$	$4.6 \cdot 10^6$
RF pulse length	1.4 ms
Beam pulse length	0.65ms
Repetition rate	10 Hz
Max. average Beam power	600 kW
Unloaded cavity quality factor $Q_0$	$10^{10}$
2K cryogenic load (including transfer line losses)	1.7 kW
Max. # of bunches per pulse ( <i>at 20 GeV</i> )	3,250 ( <i>3,000</i> ) <sup>1)</sup>
Min. bunch spacing	200 ns
Bunch charge	1 nC
Bunch peak current	5 kA
Emittance (slice) at undulator	1.4 mm*mrad
Energy spread (slice) at undulator	1 MeV

1) The limitation to 3,000 bunches at 20 GeV beam energy is related to a maximum load of 300 kW on each of the beam dumps in the initially installed two electron beam lines.

# Operational Flexibility & Upgrade Options

Energy variation:

change acc gradient only in main linac (keep low energy section up to 2<sup>nd</sup> BC unchanged)

post-linac beam lines are designed for  $\pm 1.5\%$  dynamic acceptance  
→ wavelength scan within a pulse train possible

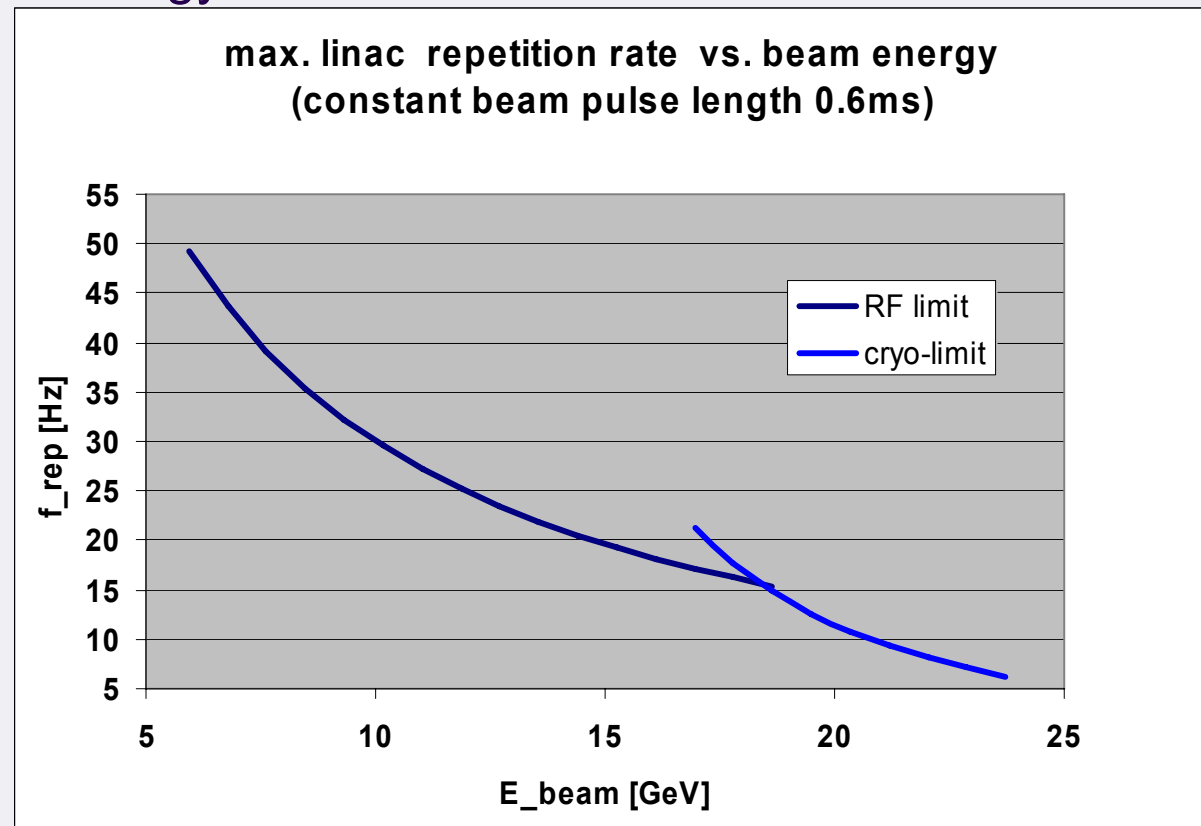
Expect performance of electropolished s.c. cavities better than baseline design specs → potential for higher energy/shorter wavelength:

RF and cryogenic systems can support linac operation up to ~ 24GeV (28MV/m), post-linac beam lines laid out for up to 25GeV

# Operational Flexibility & Upgrade Options

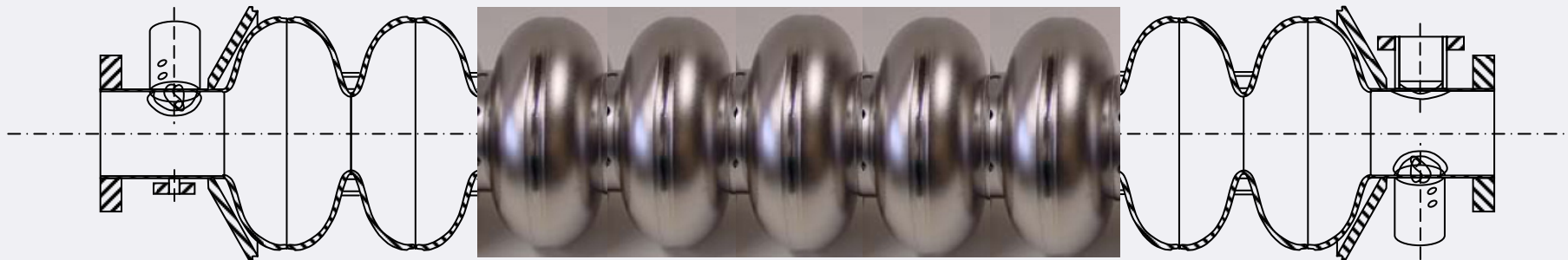
The overhead designed into tech sub-systems also permits higher duty cycle/rep rate of the linac (*if* injector can support that) – depending on beam energy:

Assumption: RF and cryogenic systems operated at 80% of design limit



# XFEL s.c. Cavities

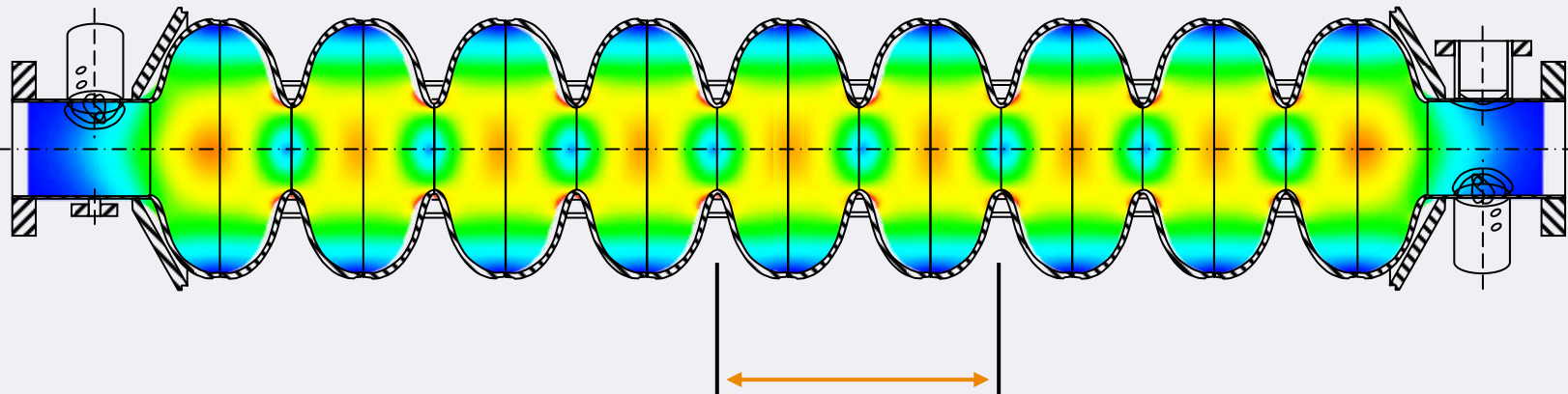
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<b>accelerating mode</b>		<b>TM<sub>010</sub>, <math>\pi</math>-mode</b>
<b>fundamental frequency</b>	$f_{RF}$ [MHz]	<b>1,300</b>
<b>active length</b>	$L$ [m]	<b>1.038</b>
<b>nominal gradient</b>	$E_{acc}$ [MV/m]	<b>23.6</b>
<b>quality factor</b>	$Q_0$	<b>&gt;10<sup>10</sup></b>
<b>cell-to-cell coupling</b>	$K_{cc}$ [%]	<b>1.87</b>
<b>iris diameter</b>	[mm]	<b>70</b>



**RRR 300 niobium**

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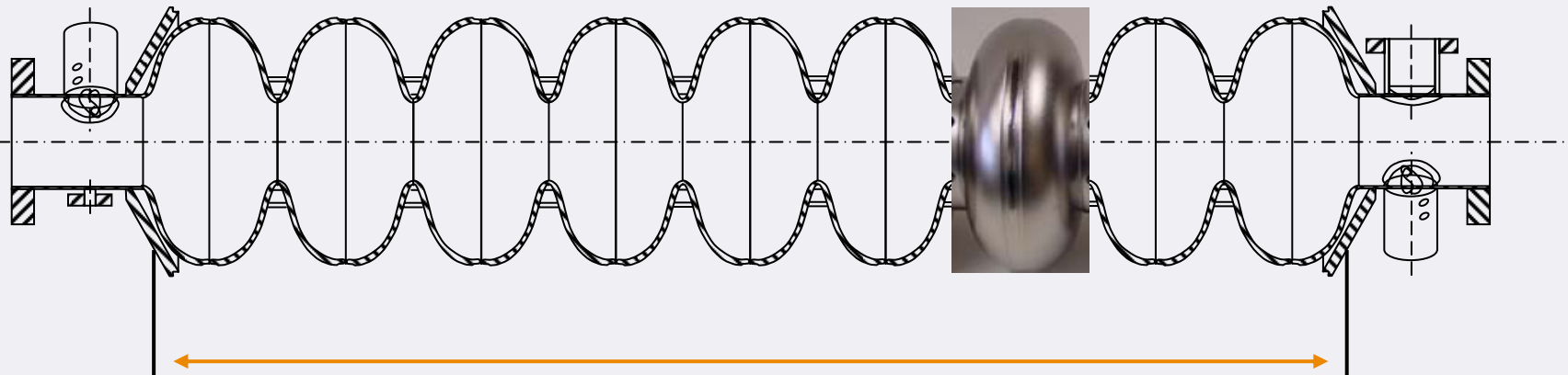
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$\lambda \approx 23 \text{ cm}$   $\curvearrowright$  1.3 GHz

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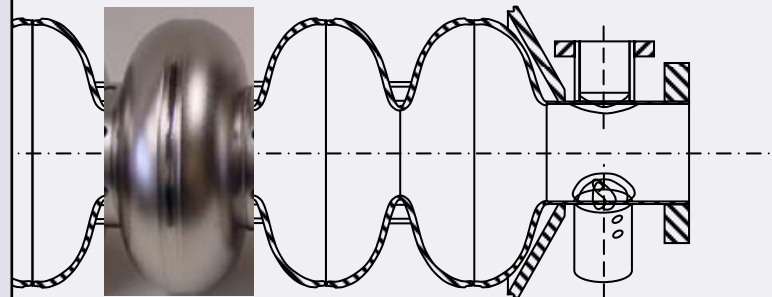
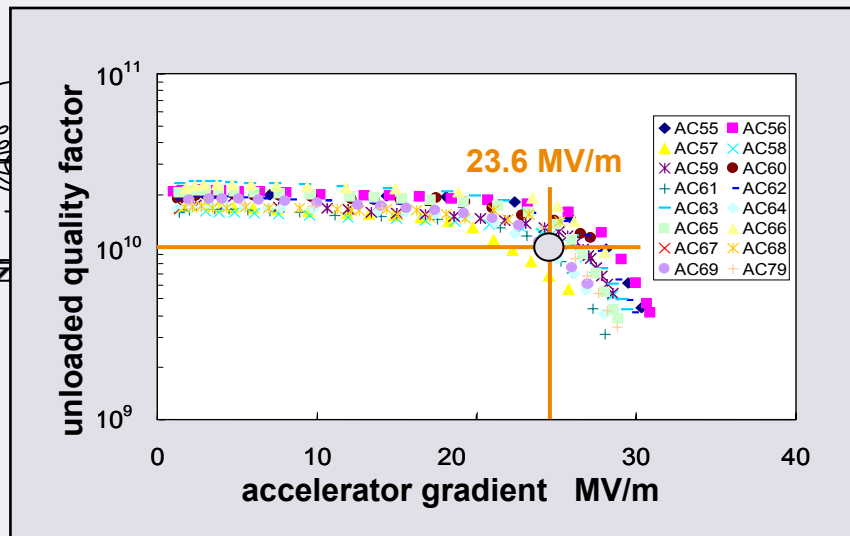
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**1.038 m**

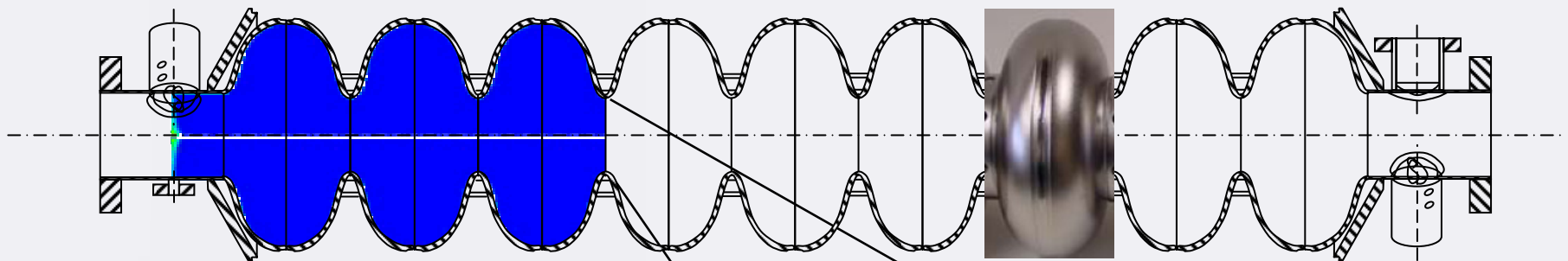
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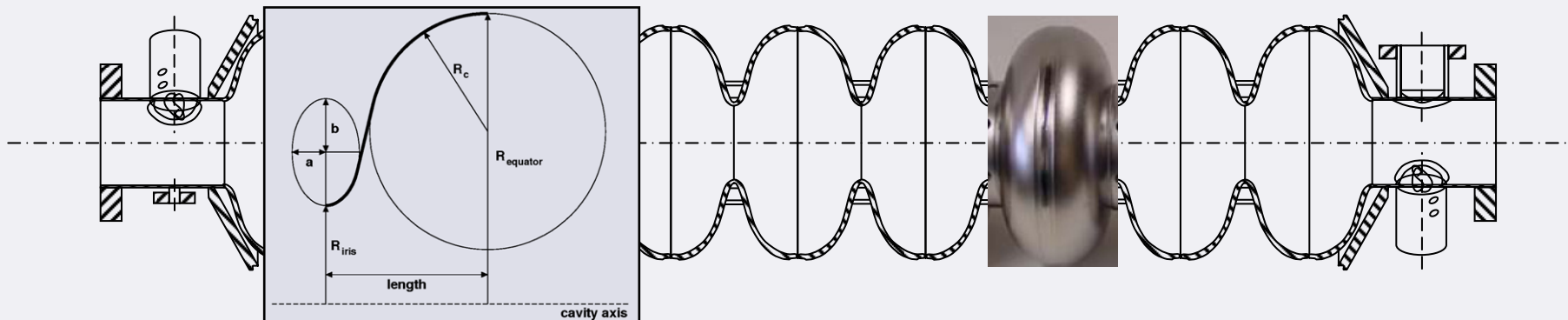
Wakefield excitation is reduced

$$W_{\parallel} \sim f^2 \quad W_{\perp} \sim f^3$$

70 mm

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$E_{peak} / E_{acc}$		2.0
$B_{peak} / E_{acc}$	[mT / MV/m]	4.26
Tuning range	[kHz]	$\pm 300$
$\Delta f / \Delta L$	[kHz / mm]	315
Lorentz force detuning constant	$K_{Lor}$ [Hz / (MV/m) <sup>2</sup> ]	1
$Q_{ext}$ of input coupler		$4.6 \times 10^6$
cavity bandwidth $f / Q_{ext}$	[Hz] FWHM	283
fill time	[ms]	780
number of HOM couplers		2



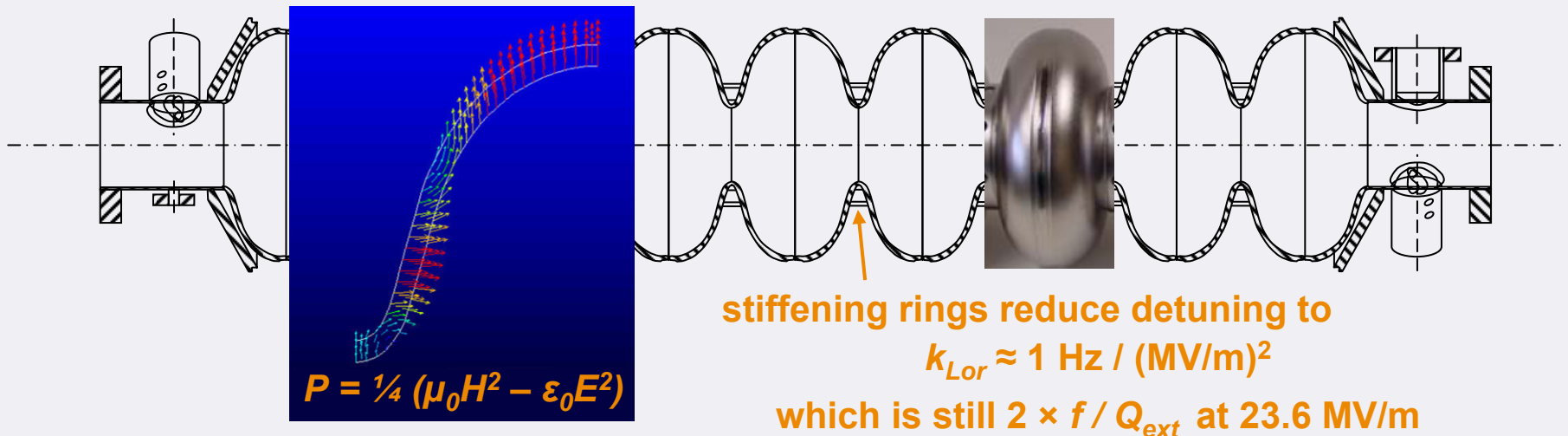
optimized cavity  
shape

$$B_{peak} / E_{acc} = 4.26 \text{ mT / MV/m}$$

$$\curvearrowright B_{peak} < 200 \text{ mT } (B_c @ 2K)$$

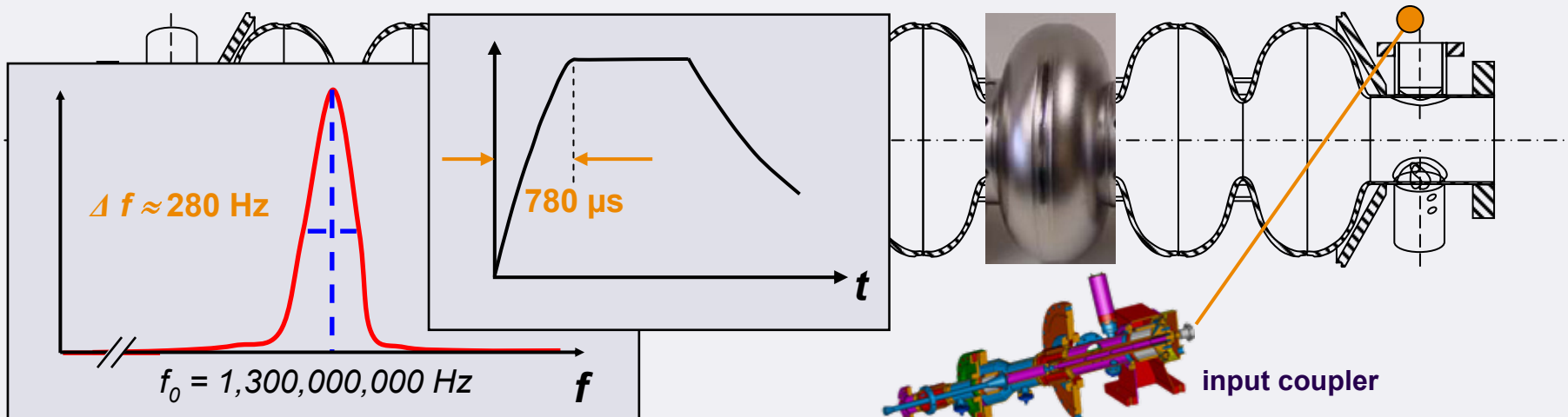
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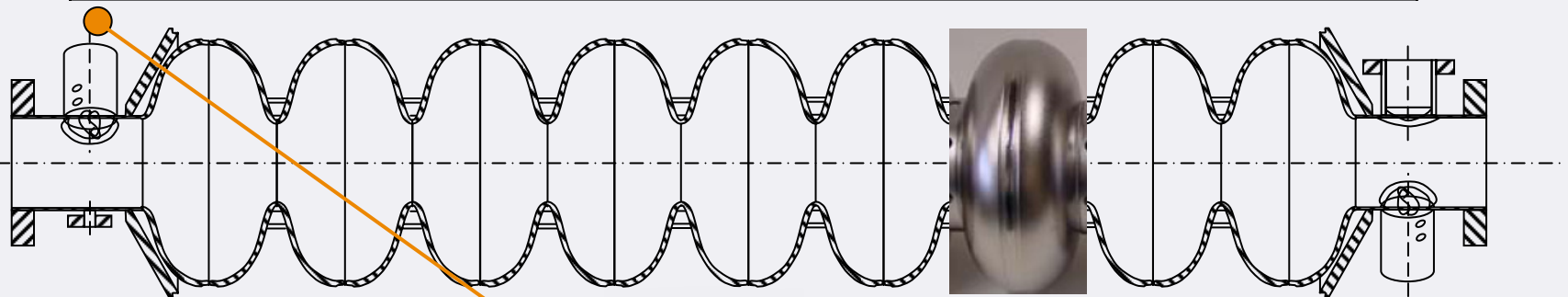
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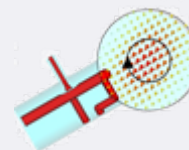
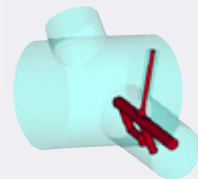


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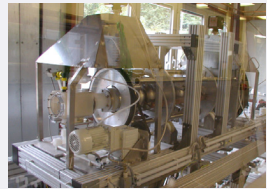


Higher Order Mode excitation  
has to be avoided.



HOM coupler

# Cavity Prep. (XFEL Industrial Production)



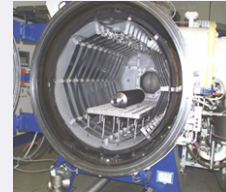
EP 150  $\mu\text{m}$  (inside)



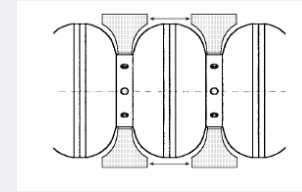
4 bar rinse



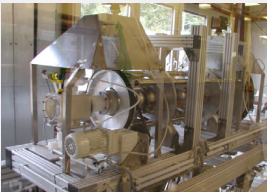
BCP 20  $\mu\text{m}$  (outside)



UHV 800°C annealing



freq./ field flatness tuning



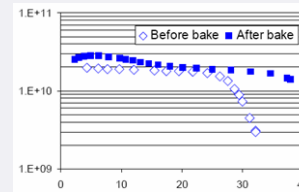
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100 bar HPR



inst. pick-up / HOM



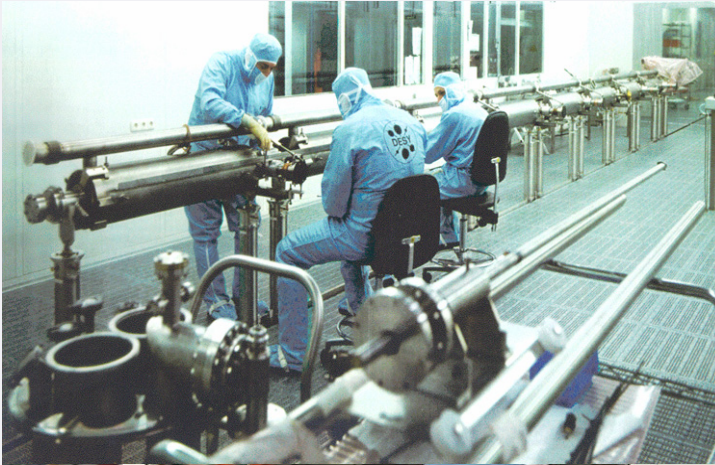
UHV 120°C baking



100 bar HPR (6 x)

1. electro-chemical removal of a thick niobium layer (so-called damage layer) of about 150  $\mu\text{m}$  from the inner surface
2. a rinse with particle free / ultra-pure water to remove residues from the electro-chemical treatment
3. outside etching of the cavities of about 20  $\mu\text{m}$
4. ultrahigh vacuum annealing at 800°C
5. tuning of the cavity frequency and field profile
6. removal of a thin and final layer of about 30  $\mu\text{m}$
7. rinsing with particle free / ultra pure water at high pressure (100 bar) to remove surface contaminants
8. assembly of auxiliaries (pick-up probe and HOM pick-up)
9. baking at 120°C in ultra high vacuum
10. additional six times rinse with high pressure ultra-pure water (100 bar)

# Cavity String Assembly



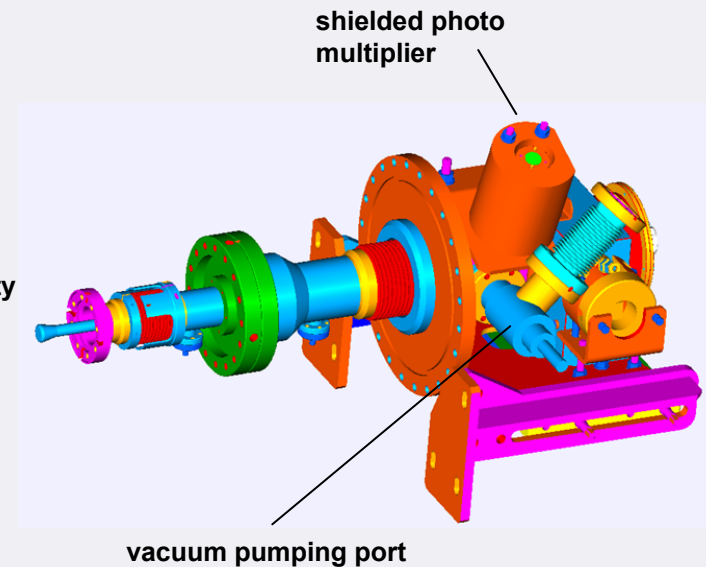
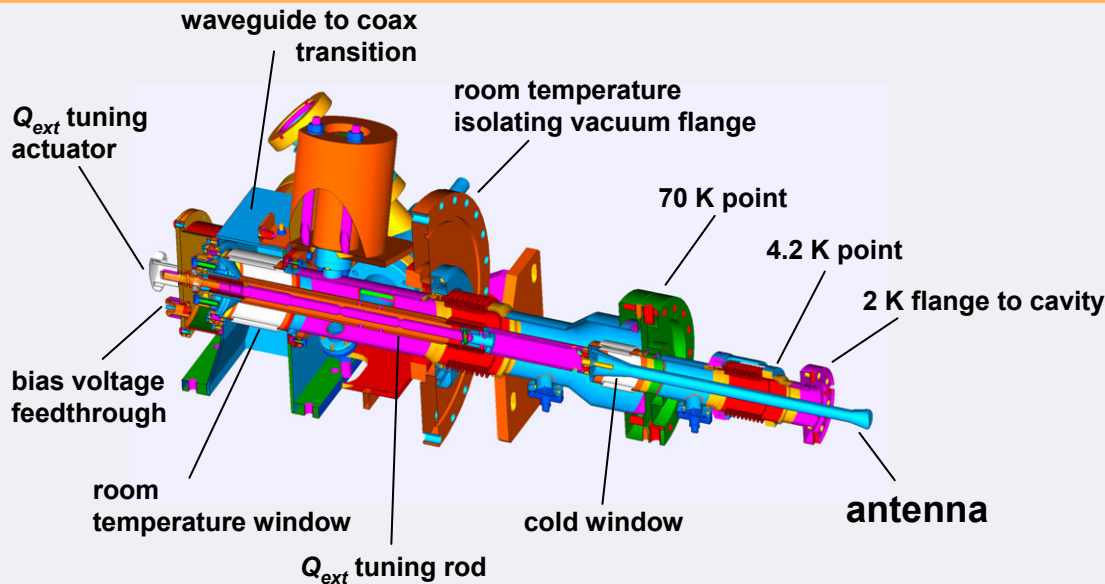
The assembly of an 8 cavity string

- is a **standard procedure**
- is done by technicians from the TESLA Technology Collaboration
- is **well documented** using the cavity database as well as an Engineering Data Management System
- was the basis for two industrial studies.

The transfer of this well known and complete procedure to **industry** has started.



# Auxiliaries – Main Power Coupler



At 20 GeV design energy 120 kW are required for the 650  $\mu$ s long beam pulse; with 10 Hz rep rate and 720  $\mu$ s filling time the average power amounts to 1.6 kW.

$Q_{ext}$  can be varied in the range of  $10^6 - 10^7$ . At 23.6 MV/m the optimum  $Q_{ext}$  is  $4.6 \times 10^6$ .

Couplers were tested to transmit 1.5 MW of peak RF power in traveling wave mode and 600 kW / 5 Hz in standing wave mode. In a 35 MV/m cavity test, one coupler was operated 2,400 hours at 2.5 kW average RF power.

The two window solution protects the cavity vacuum. Multipacting is suppressed by the coaxial line's design and additional bias voltage (up to 5 kV)

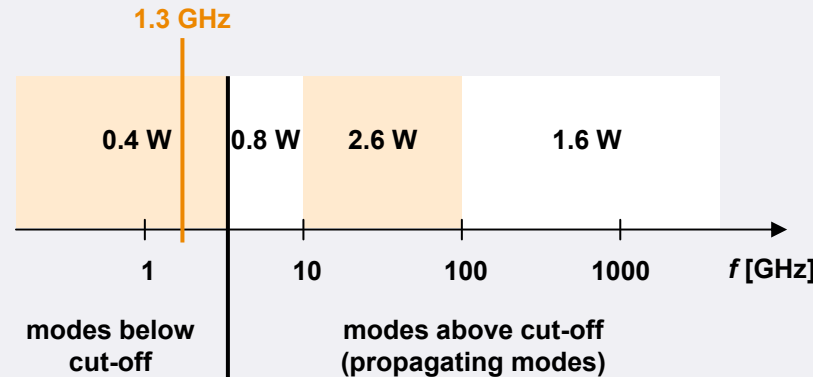
Industrial studies for 1,000 couplers are done at LAL Orsay. Recently the production of 30 couplers was supervised and the conditioning done at Orsay with great success.

# Damping of Higher Order Modes (HOMs)

The spectrum of the electron bunch ( $\sigma_z = 25 \mu\text{m}$ ) reaches high frequencies up to 5 THz.

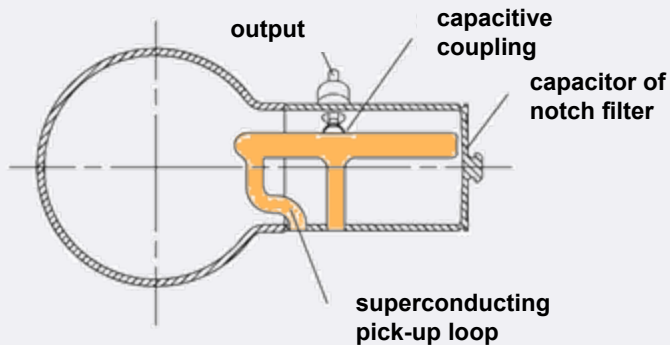
The standard accelerator module has an **integrated loss factor of 135 V/pC**.

The total power deposited by the nominal beam is **5.4 W per module**.

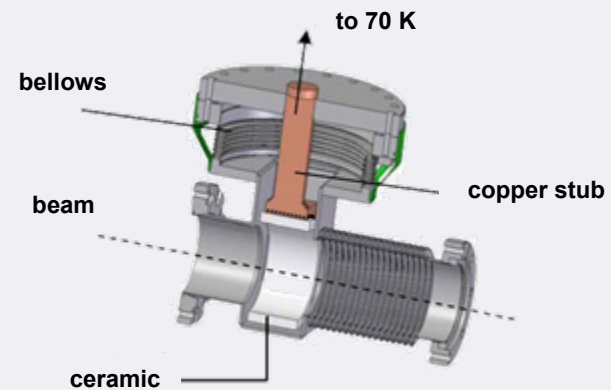


The design of the HOM coupler and the beam pipe absorber take into account a possible XFEL upgrade (more bunches / CW mode).

The HOM coupler was tested in CW mode. The absorber is specified for 100 W.

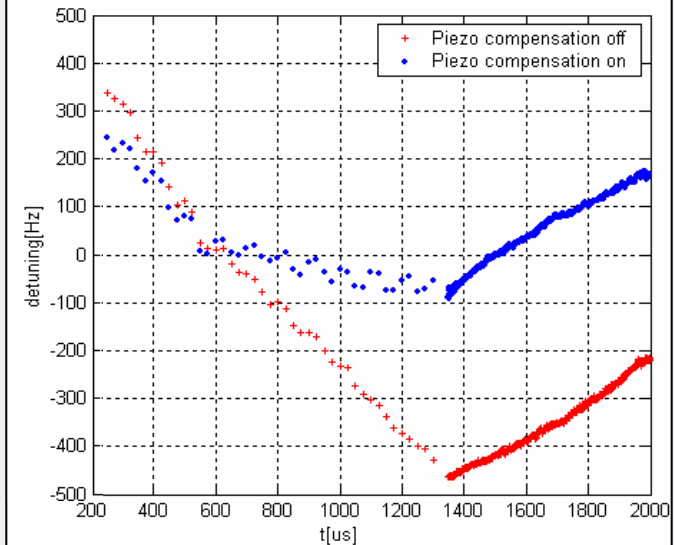
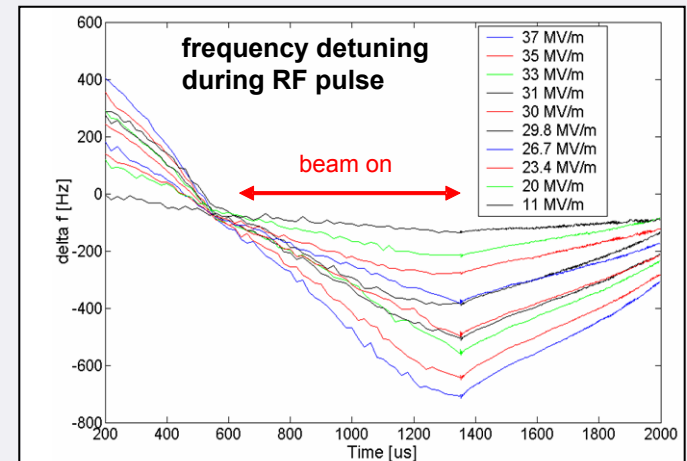
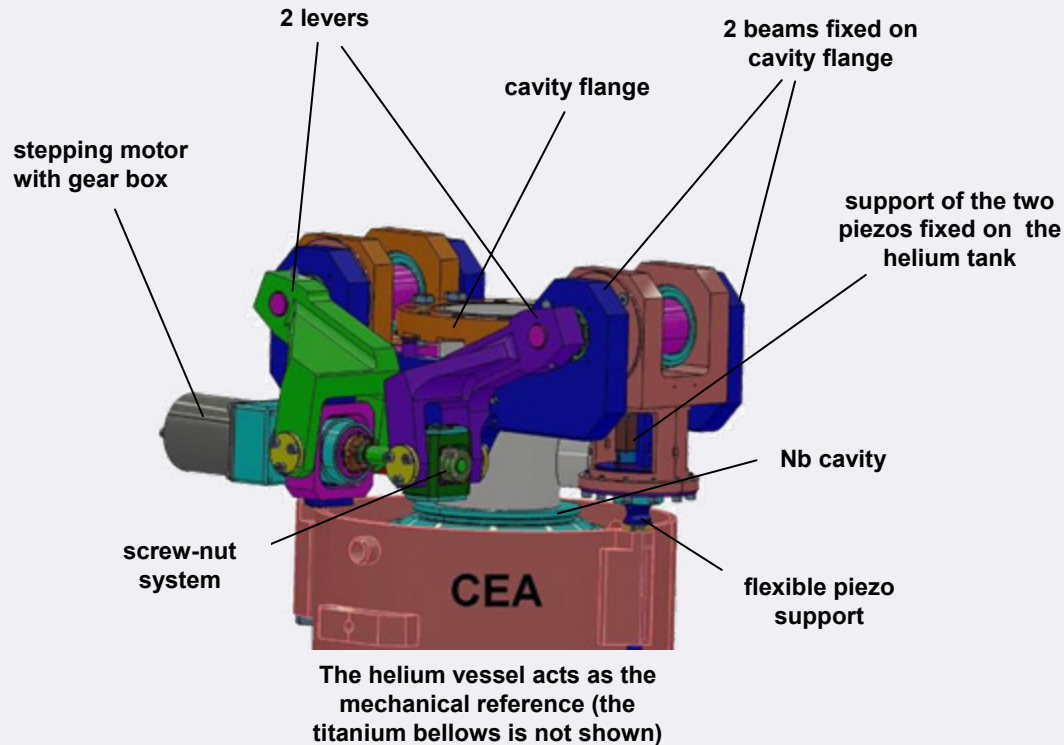


HOM coupler



beam pipe absorber

# Slow and Fast Tuner



The **slow tuner** compensates for drifts; 400 kHz range , 1 Hz resolution

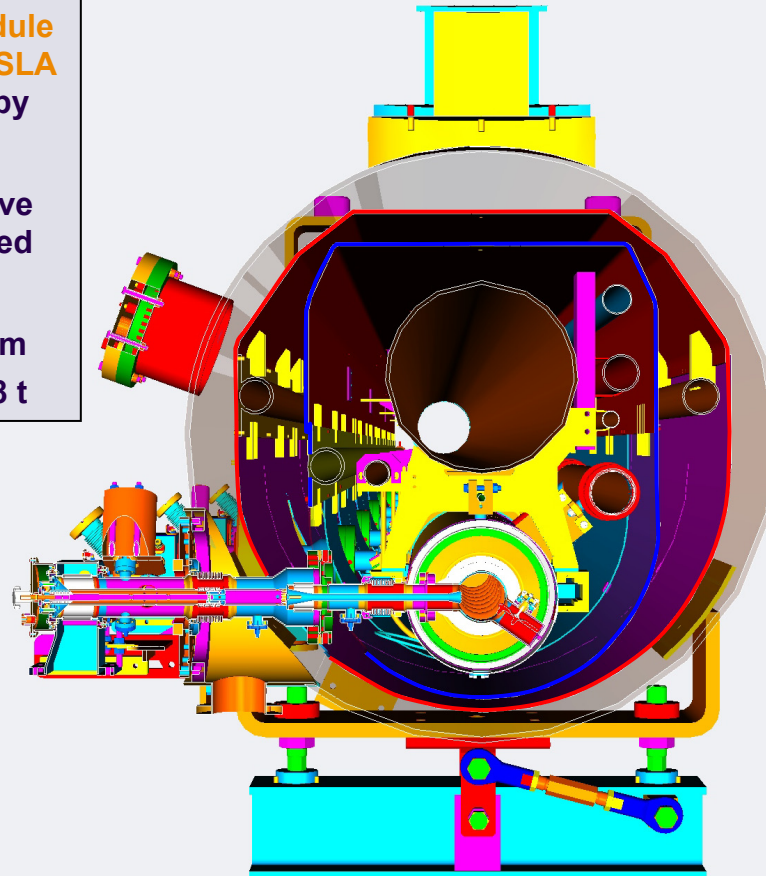
The **fast tuner** compensates the Lorentz-Force detuning during the RF pulse. It is based and piezo crystals.

# Accelerator Module (Cryomodule)

The XFEL accelerator module is based on the **3<sup>rd</sup> cryomodule generation tested at the TESLA Test Facility** and designed by INFN.

Already 10 cryomodules have been built and commissioned for the TTF Linac.

Length	12.2 m
Total weight	7.8 t



**38" carbon steel vessel**

**300 mm He gas return pipe acting as support structure**

**8 accelerating cavities**

**cavity to cavity spacing exactly one RF wavelength**

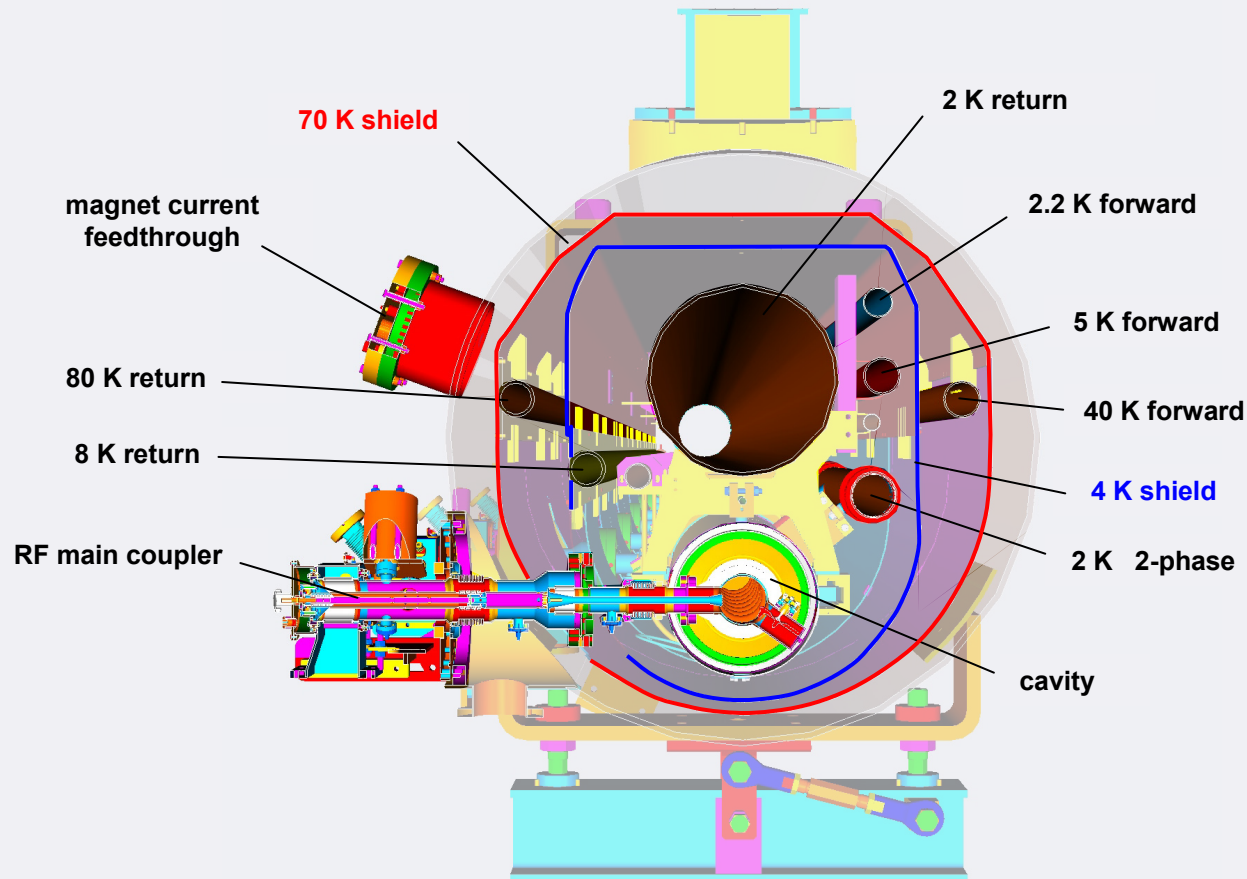
**inter-module cavity to cavity spacing a multiple of one RF wavelength**

**one beam position monitor / magnet unit**

**manually operated valves to terminate the beam tube at both ends**

**longitudinal cavity position independent from the contraction / elongation of the HeGRP during cool-down / warm-up procedure**

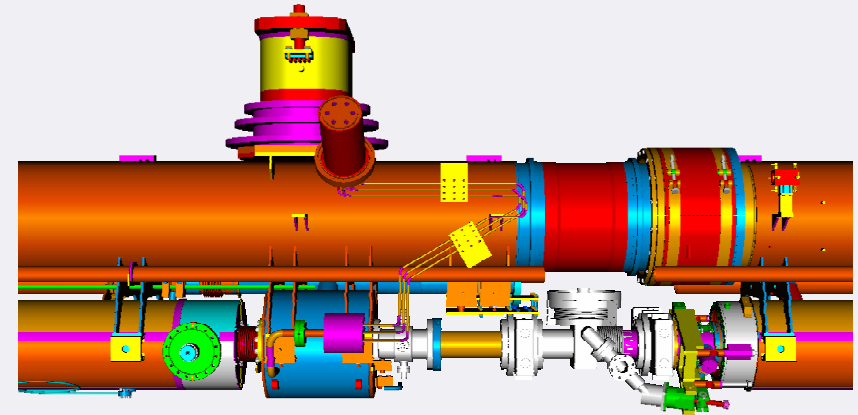
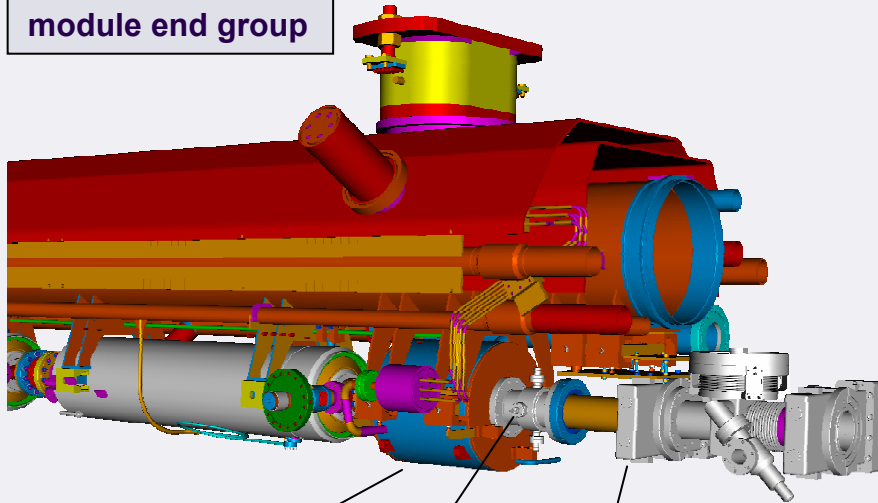
# Accelerator Module (Cryomodule)



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module end group

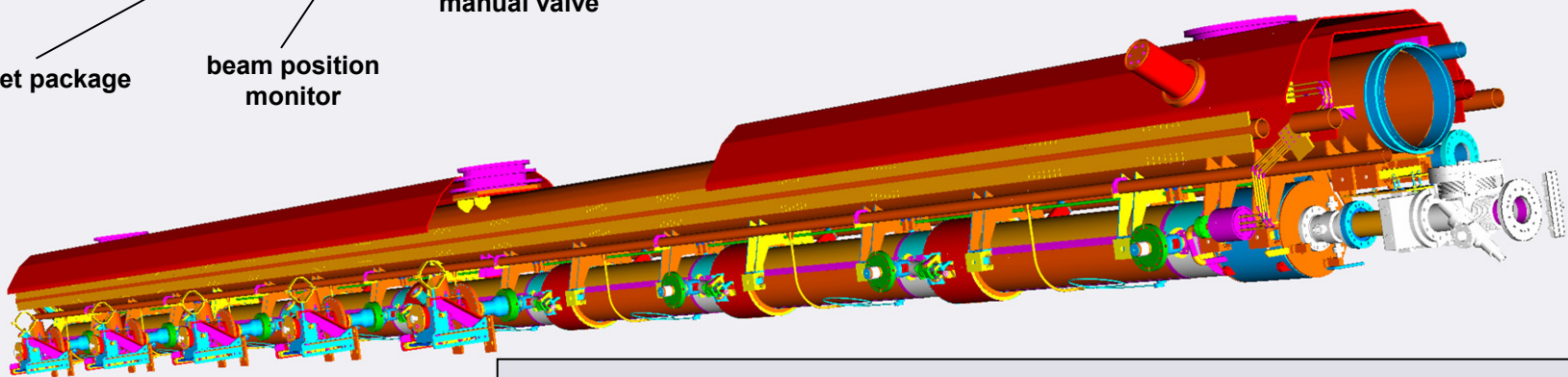
module to module connection



magnet package

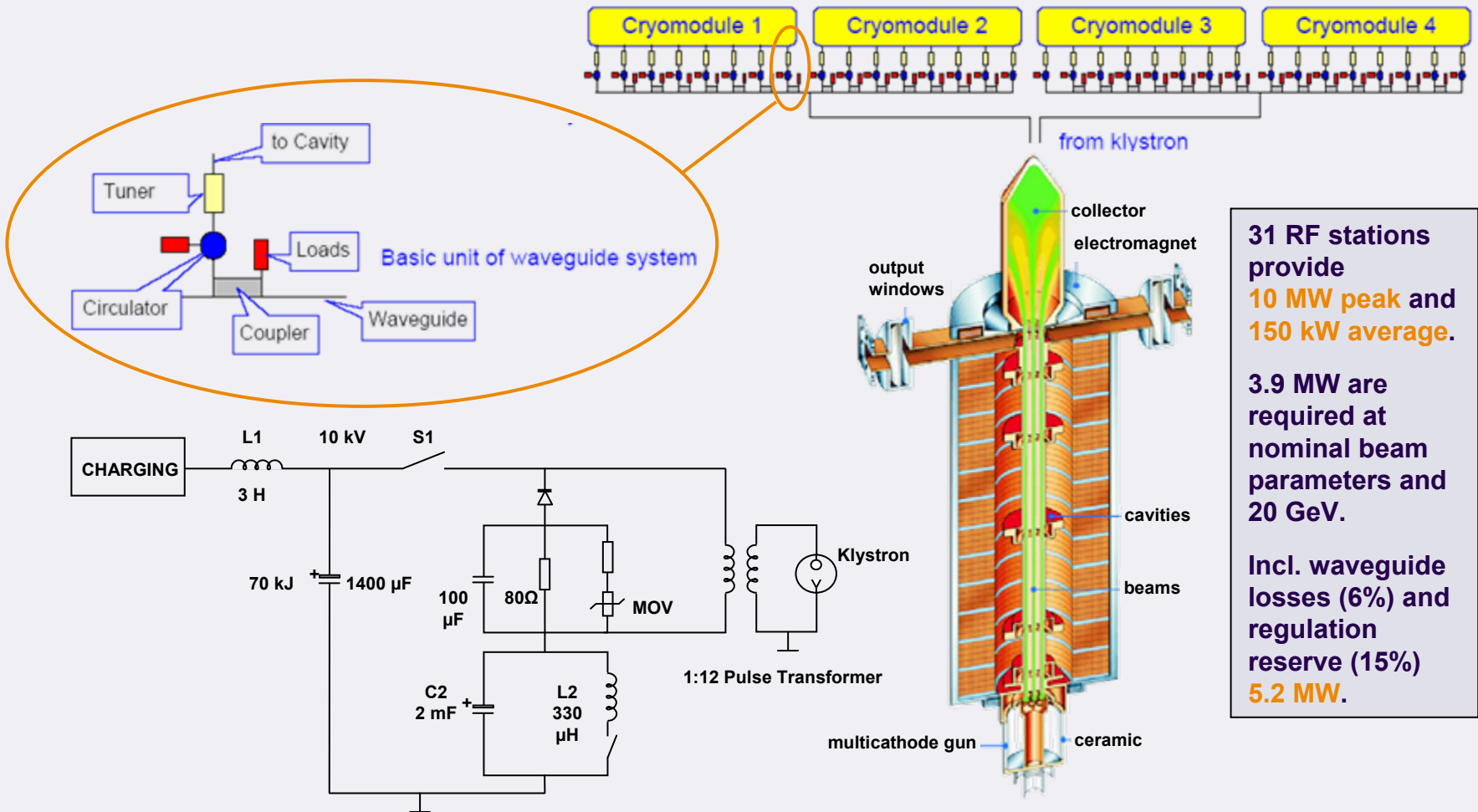
beam position monitor

manual valve



cold mass with cavities, magnet / BPM, HOM abs. beam pipe, valve

# High Power RF System (Overview)



**31 RF stations provide 10 MW peak and 150 kW average.**

**3.9 MW are required at nominal beam parameters and 20 GeV.**

**Incl. waveguide losses (6%) and regulation reserve (15%) 5.2 MW.**

# High Power RF System

XFEL multibeam klystron development (much valued by ILC R&D experts)



Thales TH1801



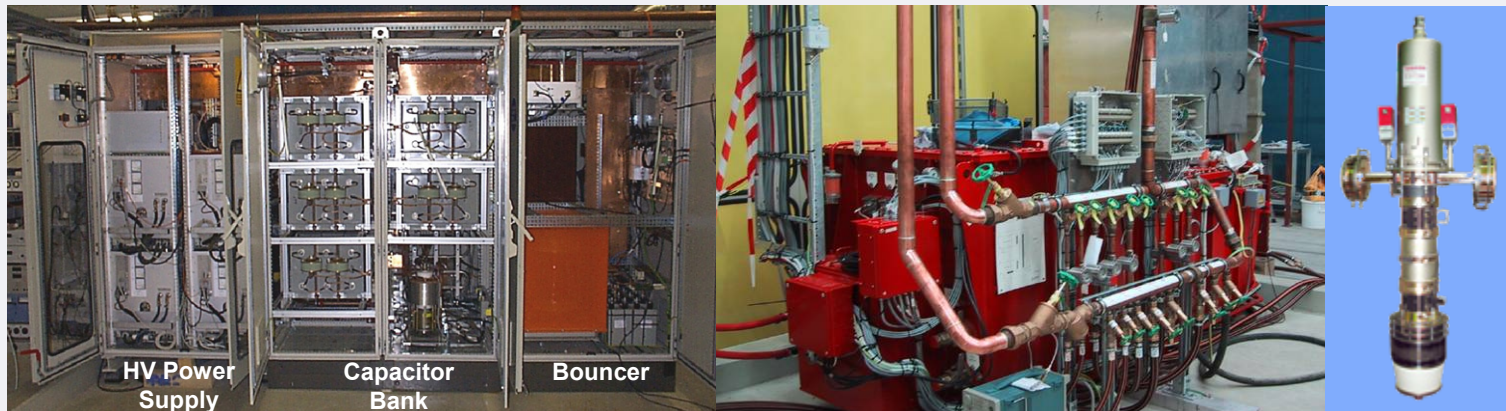
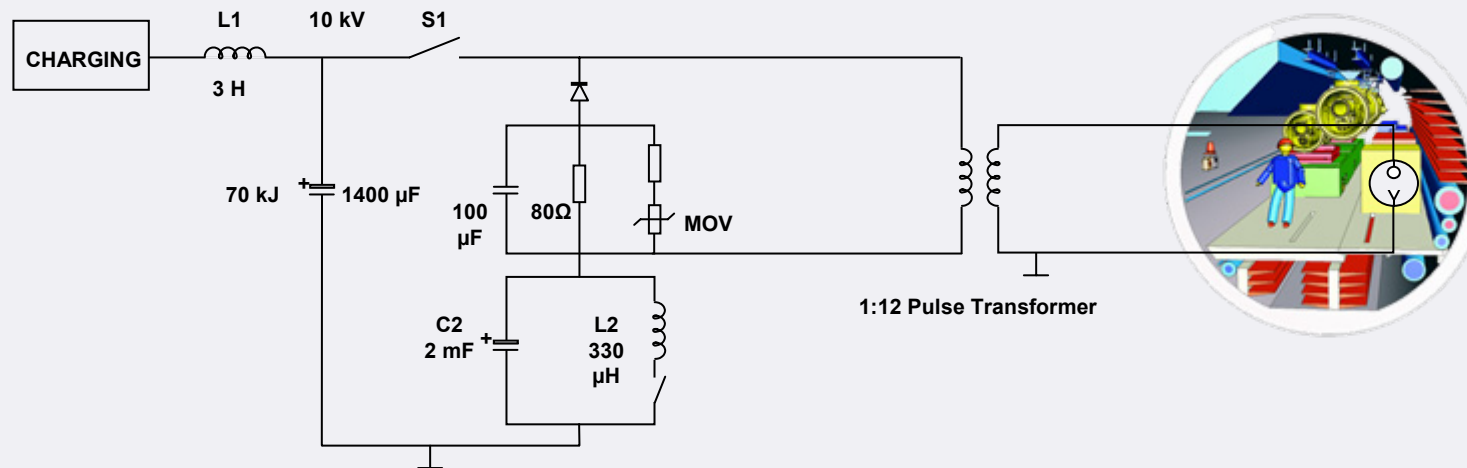
CPI VKL8301



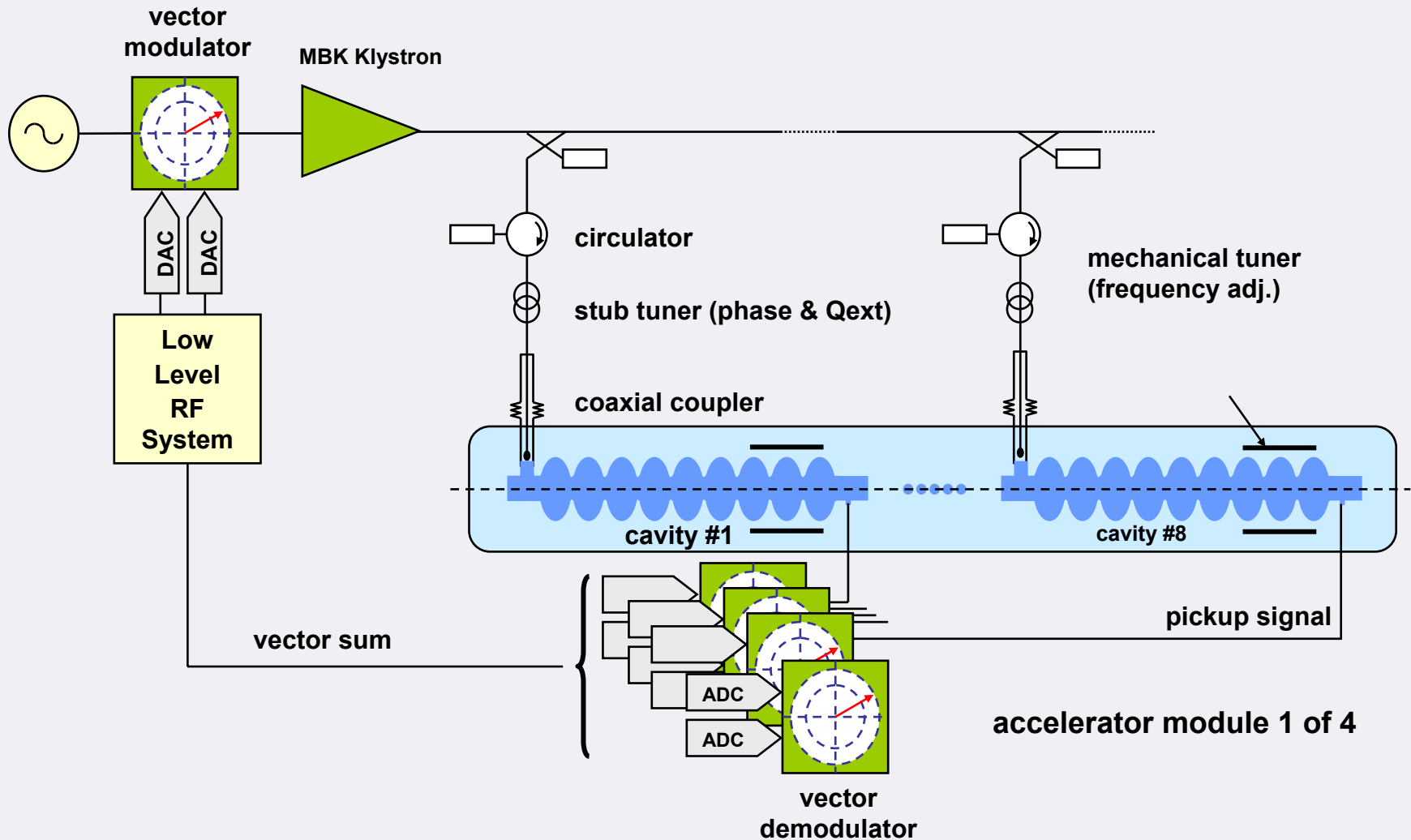
Toshiba E3736

Encouraging results:  
Just recently, the Toshiba tube was operated  
**continuously for more than 24 hours above 10 MW.**

# High Power RF System (Modulator, Pulse Cable, Pulse Transformer)



# Low Level RF Control



# Low Level RF Control

## *Amplitude and Phase Stability*

Design parameter are based on

- bunch-to-bunch energy spread
- pulse-to-pulse energy spread
- bunch compression in the injector
- arrival time of the beam at the undulator

The injector RF system needs  
**0.01% amplitude and 0.01 deg  
phase stability!!!**

**(stability of photon intensity)**

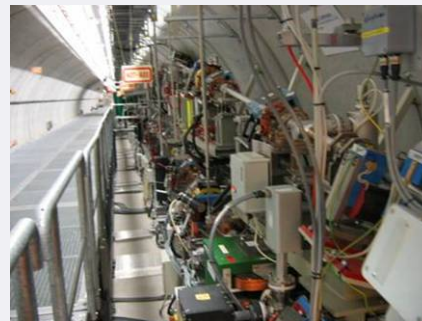
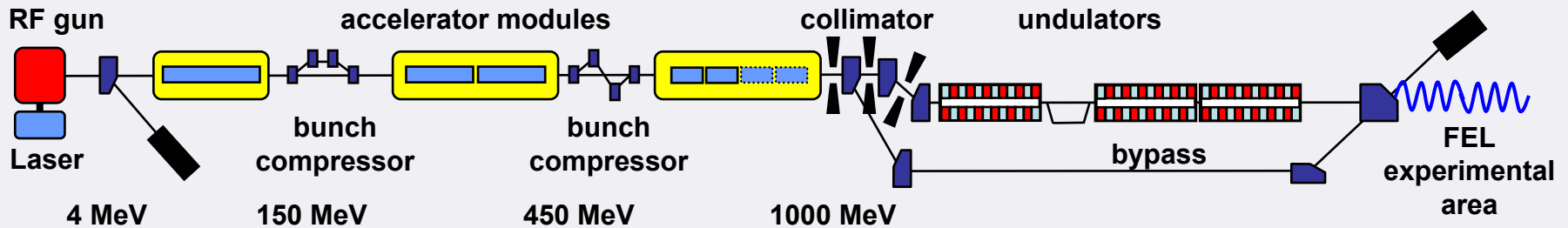
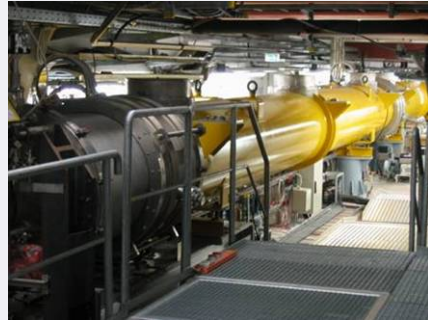
**TEST at FLASH (VUV-FEL)**

## *Operational Requirements*

Beside field stabilization, the RF system must provide

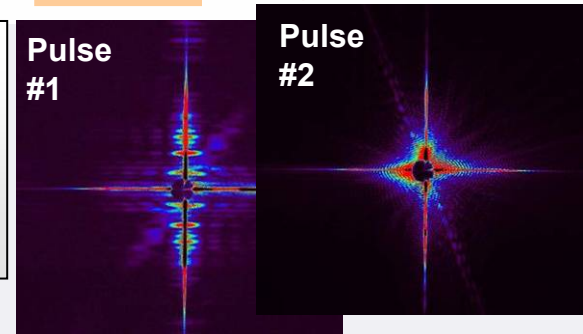
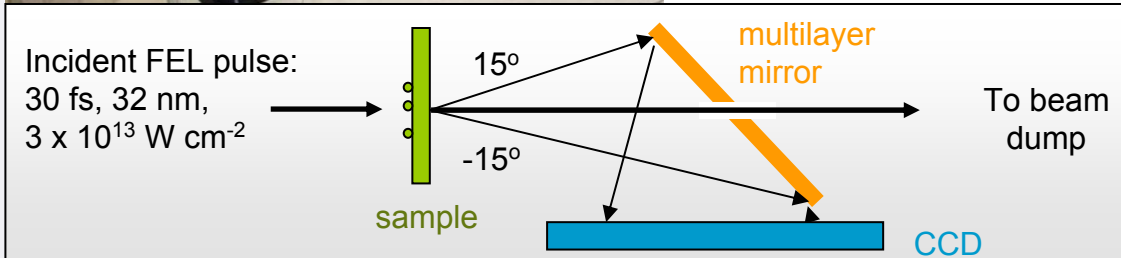
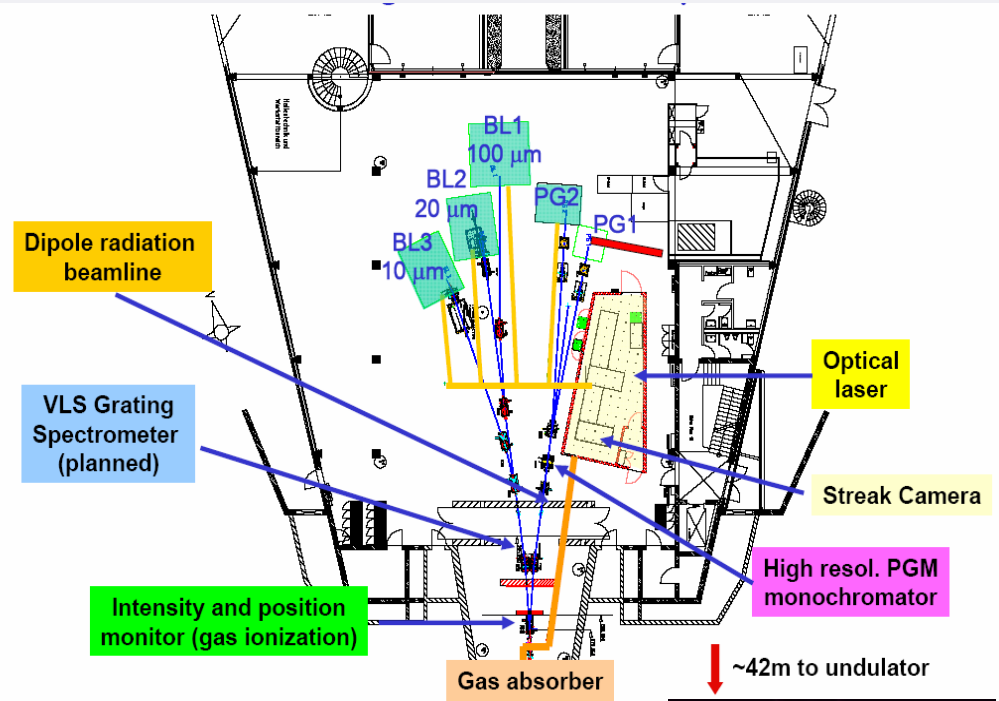
- diagnostics for the **calibration of gradient and beam phase**
- measurement of the **loop phase**
- measurement of the **cavity detuning**
- control of the cavity **frequency tuners** (use fast tuner to correct Lorentz Force detuning)
- **exception handling** capability to avoid beam loss and to allow for maximum operable gradient
  - e.g. cavity quench detection
  - ‘communicate’ with spare RF stations
- correct RF system parameters (feed forward tables) according to **variable beam loading**

# FLASH (VUV-FEL) Facility



← 250 m →

# Many Happy Users at FLASH are Using the Photons



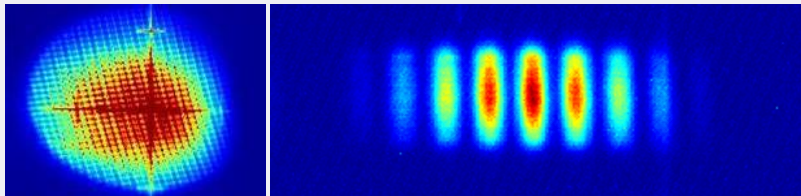
**First demonstration of ultra fast coherent X-ray diffraction** (Janosz Hajdu, Henry Chapman et al.)

# The FLASH Photon Beam

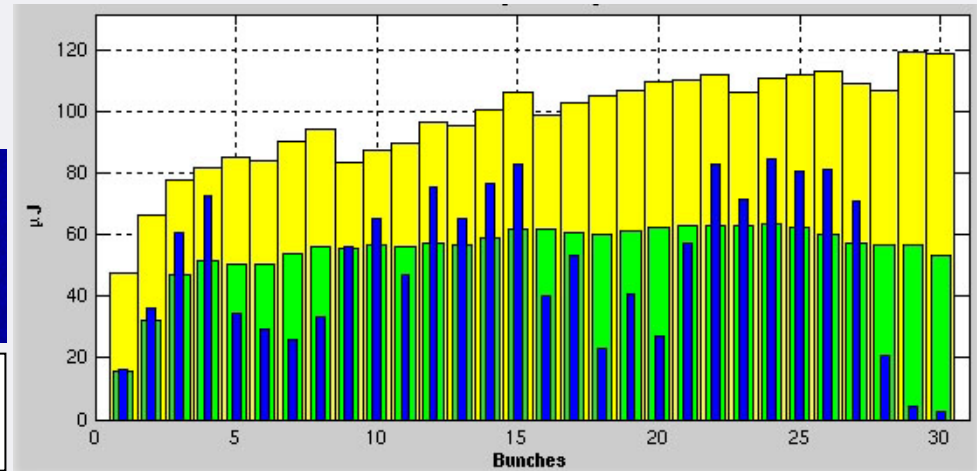
e.g. 25.5 nm wavelength

spot size

double slit diffraction pattern

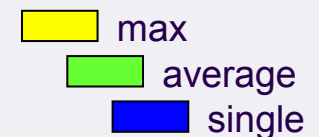


3 mm spot size (FWHM) @ 18.5 m distance  
angular divergence 160  $\mu$ rad  
→ high degree of coherence



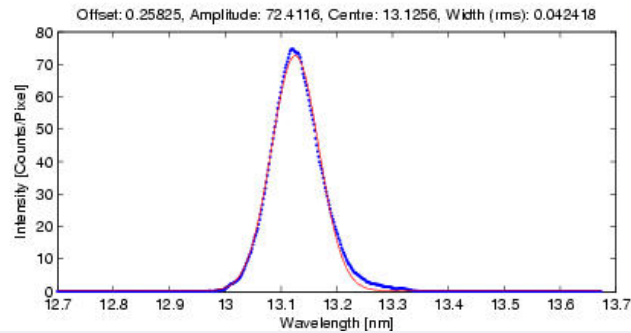
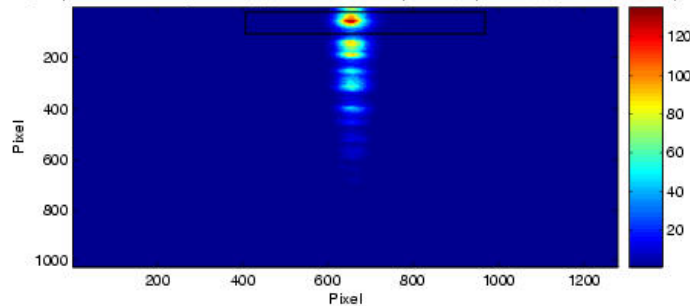
<b>Wavelength (fundamental)</b>	<b>48 – 13</b>	<b>nm</b>	<b>(tunable!!!)</b>
<b>FEL third harmonic</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>nm</b>	
Average energy per pulse	up to 65	$\mu$ J	
Maximum energy per pulse	120	$\mu$ J	
Radiation pulse duration	20 – 50	fs	
Peak power (calc. from average)	>1	GW	
<b>Spectral width (FWHM)</b>	<b>0.5 – 1</b>	<b>%</b>	
Angular divergence (FWHM)	160	$\mu$ rad	
<b>Peak brilliance</b> (calc. from max)	<b><math>\approx 5 \times 10^{29}</math></b>	<b>ph/s/mrad<sup>2</sup>/mm<sup>2</sup>/(0.1% bw)</b>	

Multibunch SASE  
signal ( $\mu$ J) recorded  
with MCP Detector



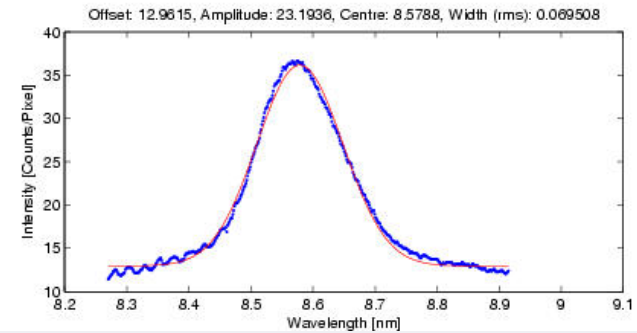
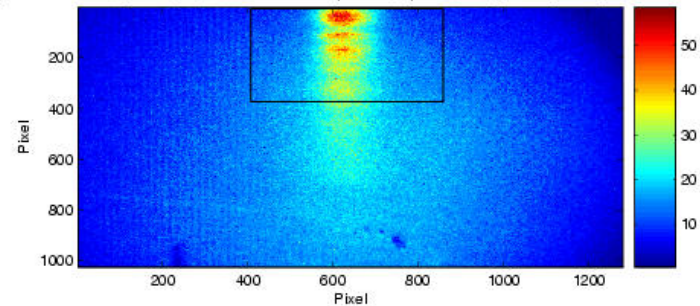
# FLASH Wavelength Records

CCD image: 1 pixel x-axis binning, bunch(es), 91.78mm encoder position, aperture, avg.TIF - None, 27-Apr-2006



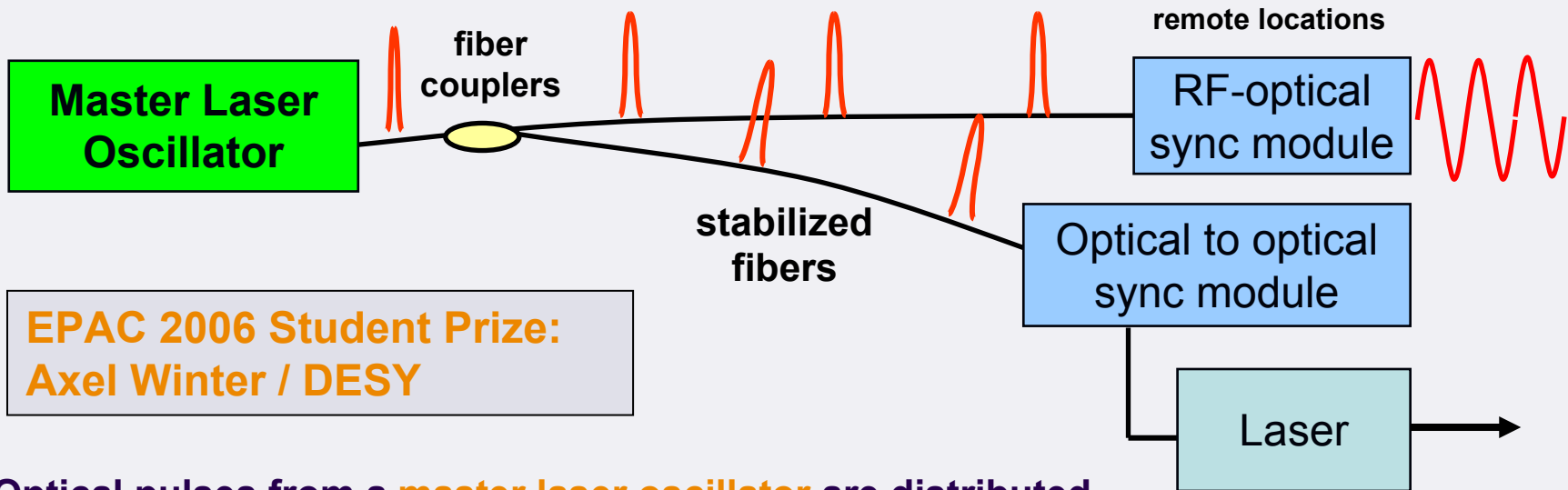
fundamental at  $\lambda=13.1$  nm

CD image: 1 pixel x-axis binning, bunch(es), 69.12mm encoder position, aperture, third\_8.6nm\_steer1\_avg.TIF - None, 06-Ju



3rd harmonic at  $\lambda=8.6$  nm

# Optical Synchronization System



**EPAC 2006 Student Prize:  
Axel Winter / DESY**

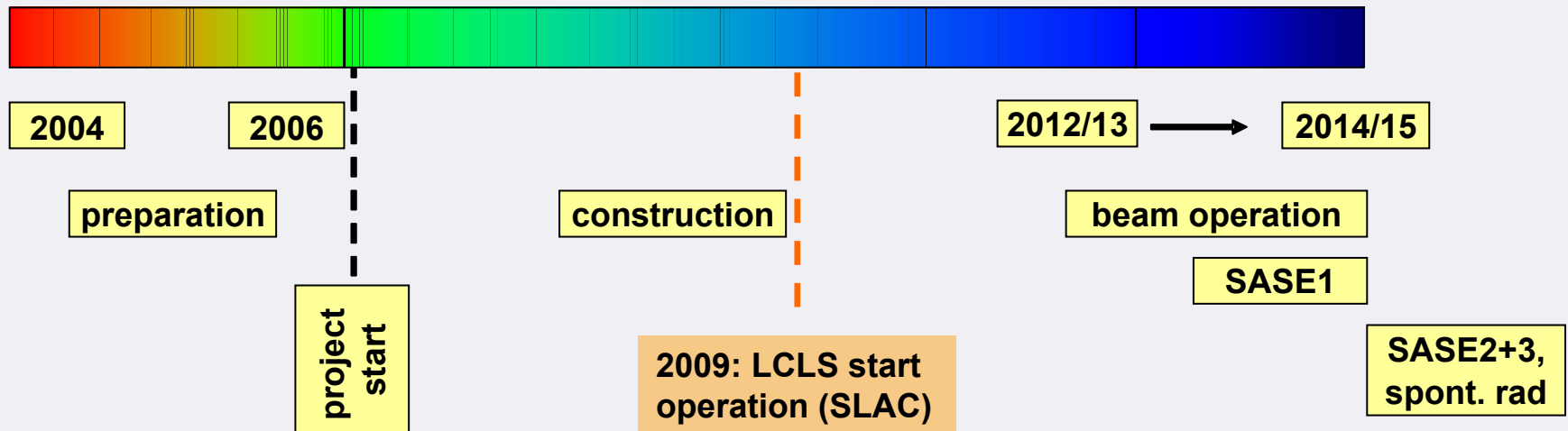
Optical pulses from a **master laser oscillator** are distributed via length-stabilized fiber links to locations in the machine

- 10 femtosecond drift-free stability between different locations
- RF can be extracted with few femtosecond jitter and probe laser systems can be optically synchronized with sub-fs jitter
- novel beam diagnostics possible using the optical pulse train directly
  - arrival time monitors with sub-100 fs precision
  - $\mu\text{m}$ -precision beam position monitors

# First Photons in the XFEL Experimental Hall in 2013



# XFEL Time Schedule



- Time schedule assumes final project approval & funding at European level in 2006
- Site approval (“PFV”) and preparations for placing orders for civil construction will happen before official project start

