

# FLASH: Performance after the Upgrade and in the Future



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# FLASH, the User Facility



# FLASH at DESY in Hamburg

- Single-pass high-gain FEL
- Photon wavelength range from vacuum-ultraviolet to soft x-rays
- Free-electron laser user facility since summer 2005
- FLASH is also a test bench for the European XFEL and the International Linear Collider (ILC)
- sFLASH, a seeding experiment is in commissioning phase
- "FLASH II", a second undulator beam line is in preparation

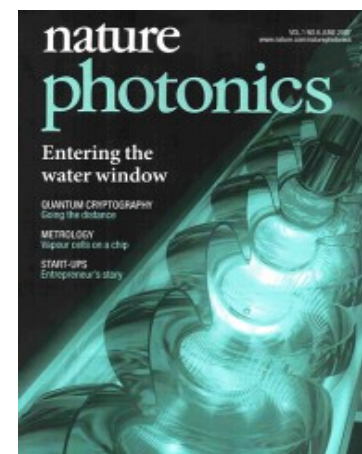
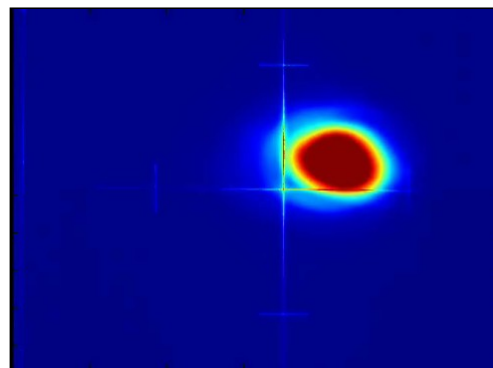
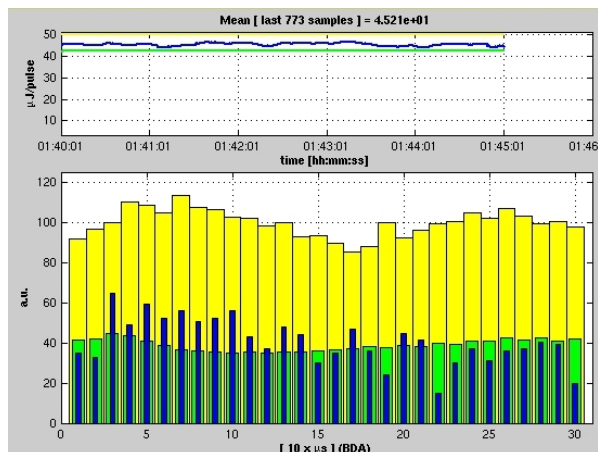
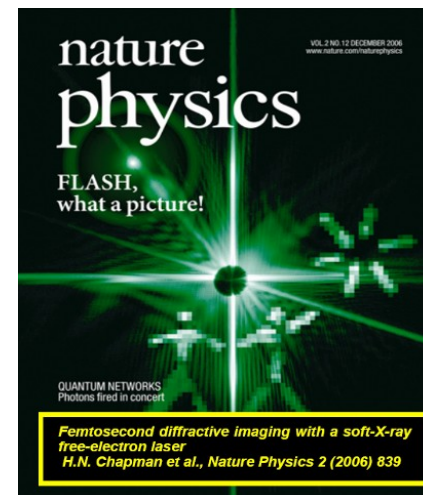


# FEL Performance 2<sup>nd</sup> User Period (Nov-2007 – Aug-2009)

## Typical User Operation Parameters 2<sup>nd</sup> User Period

Wavelength range (fundamental)	6.8 – 40.5 nm
Average single pulse energy	10 – 100 $\mu$ J
Pulse duration (FWHM)	10 – 70 fs
Peak power (from avg.)	1 – 5 GW
Average power (example for 500 pulses/sec)	~ 15 mW
Spectral width (FWHM)	~ 1 %
Peak Brilliance	$10^{29} - 10^{30} *$

\* photons/s/mrad<sup>2</sup>/mm<sup>2</sup>/0.1%bw



> more than 100 publications on photon science at FLASH in high impact journals

- [http://hasylab.desy.de/facilities/flash/publications/selected\\_publications](http://hasylab.desy.de/facilities/flash/publications/selected_publications)

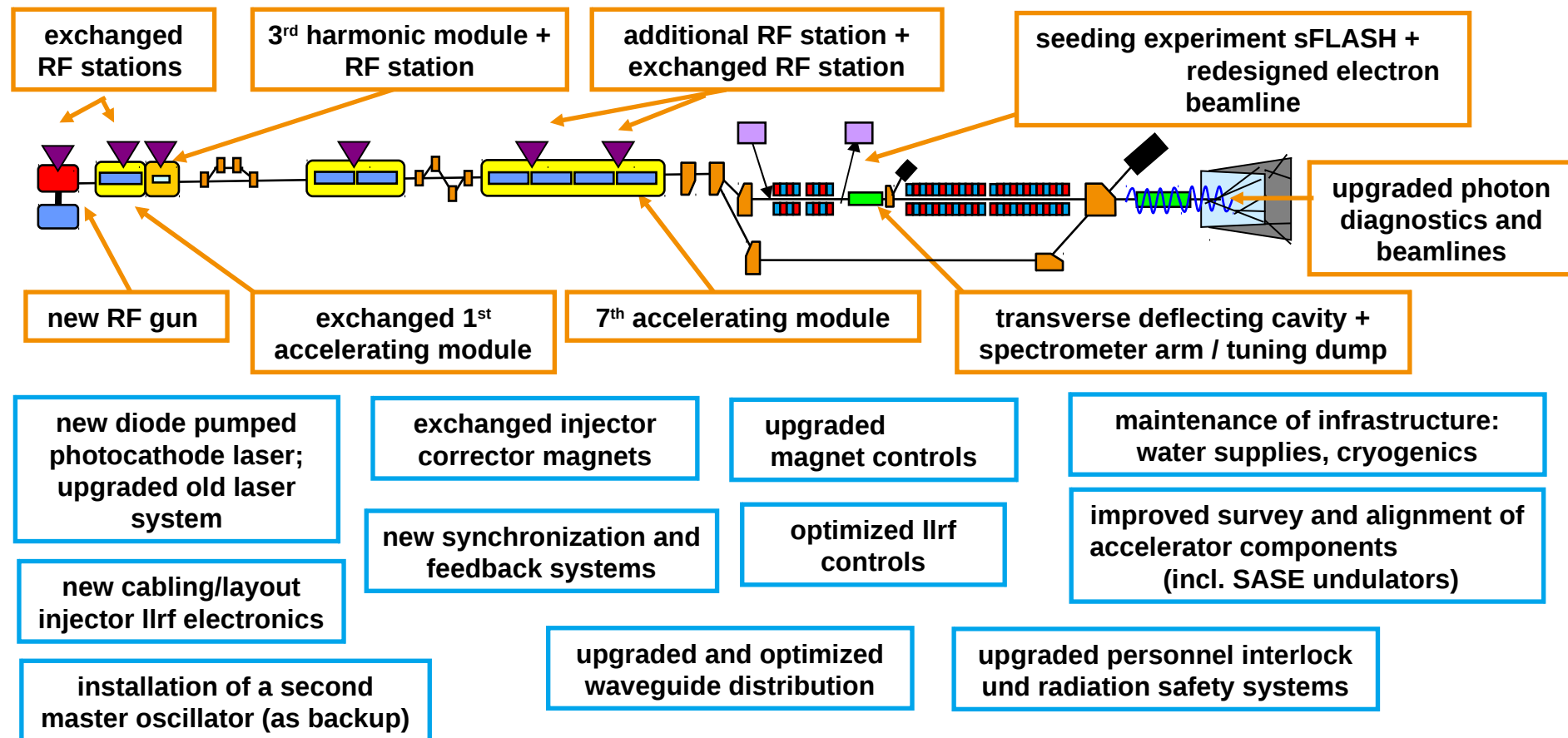


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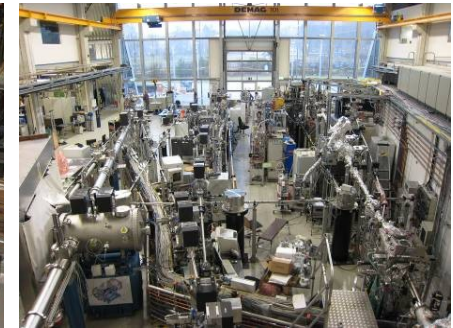
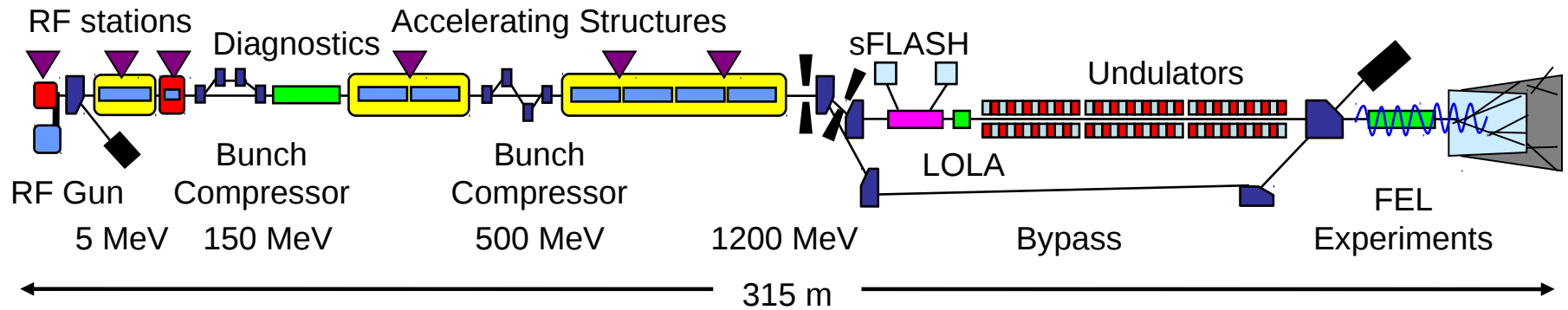
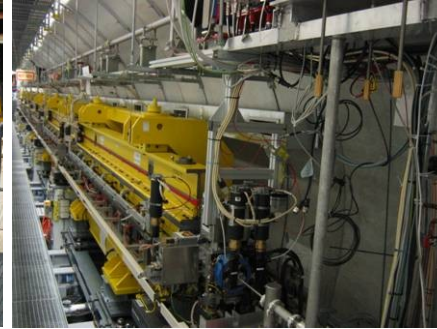
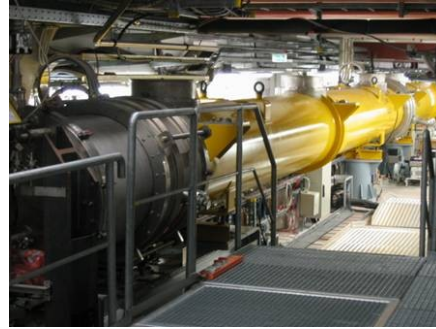


# Upgrade 2009 / 2010

> Upgrade Shutdown: September 2009 – February 2010



# The New FLASH Layout





# Energy Upgrade and the Water Window

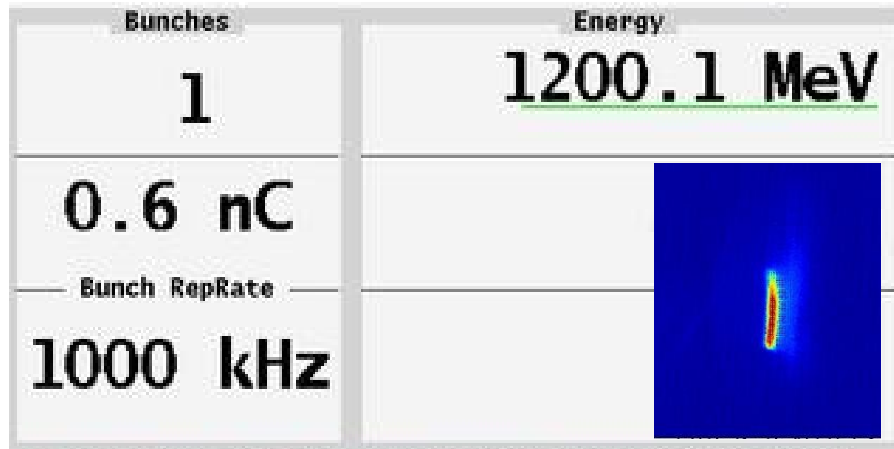


# Energy Upgrade

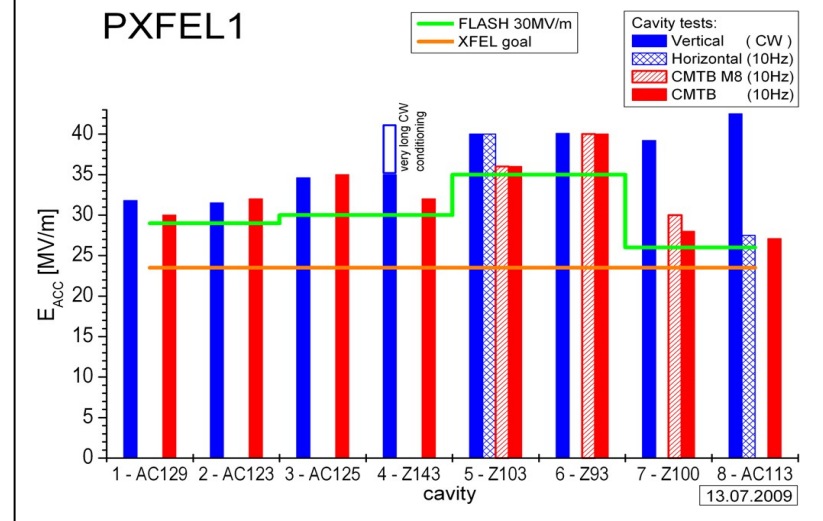
- > 7<sup>th</sup> superconducting TESLA type accelerating module installed
  - Prototype module for the European XFEL
  - Energy gain 240 MeV
- > Electron beam energy 1.20 GeV
- > Some optimization => 1.25 GeV



1.2 GeV demonstrated with beam in May 2010

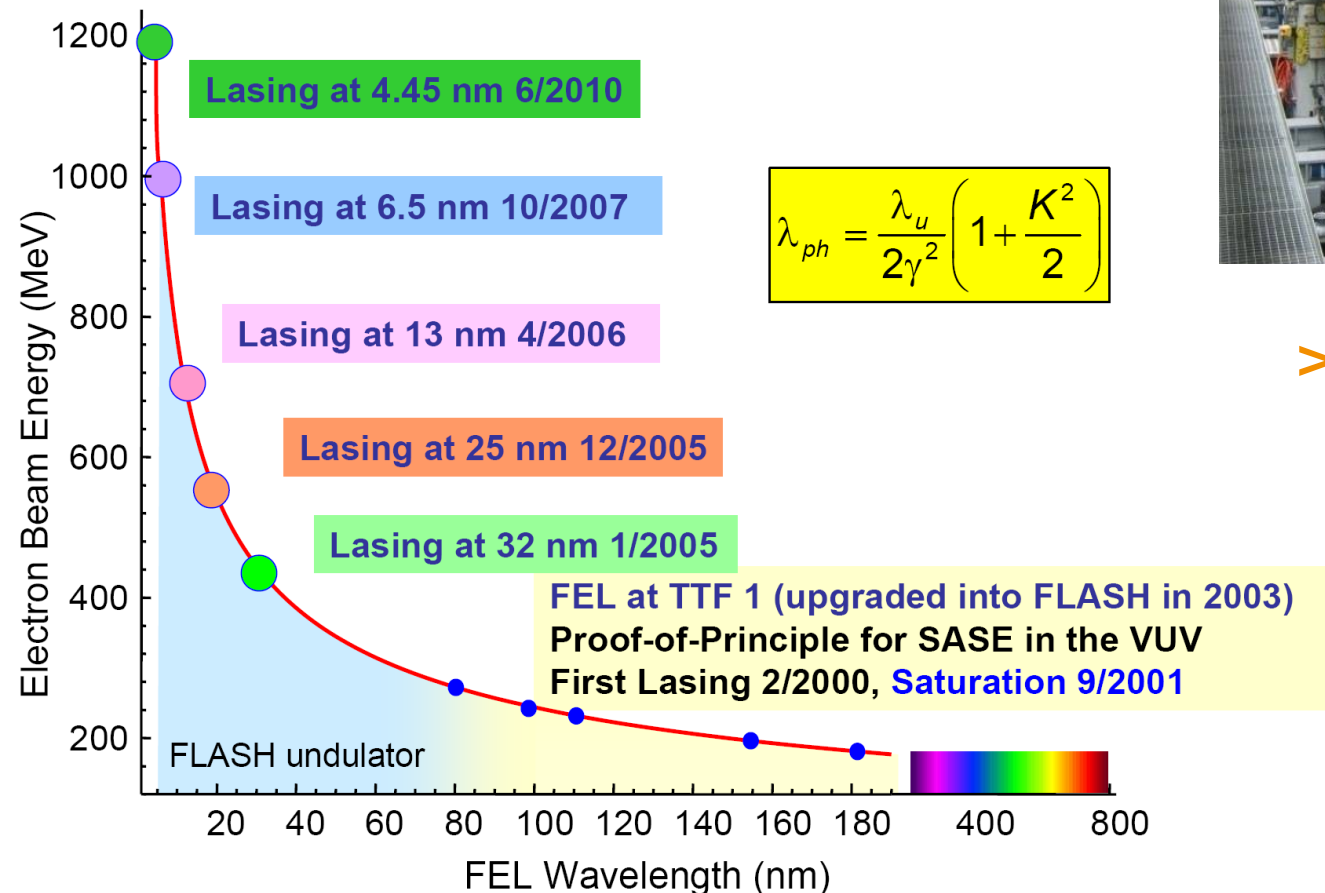


Results of cavity tests



# FLASH Undulators

- > 6 undulator modules, total length 27 m
- > Fixed gap of 12 mm
  - permanent NdFeB magnets
  - peak B = 0.48 T, K = 1.23, period of 27.3 mm



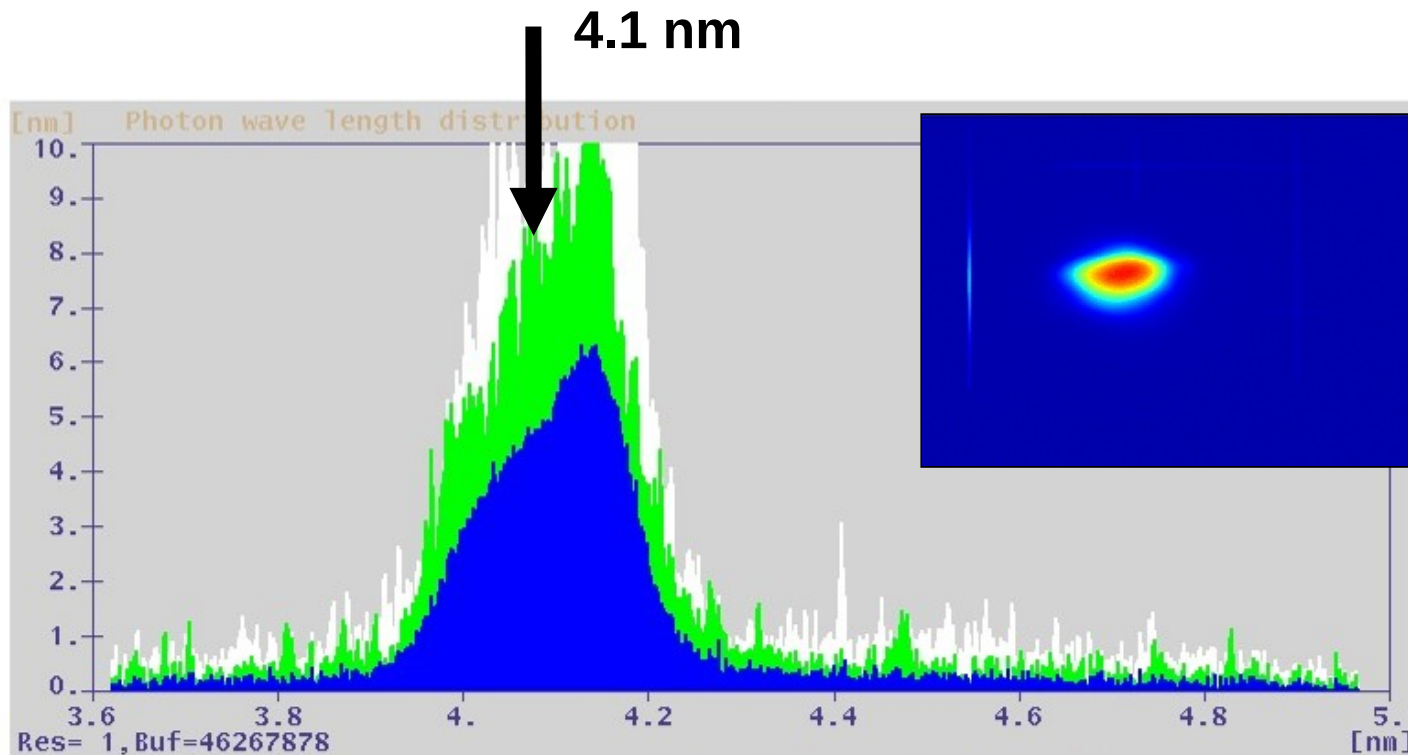
$$\lambda_{ph} = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma^2} \left( 1 + \frac{K^2}{2} \right)$$

- > change of wavelength
  - ↔
  - change of electron beam energy



# Access to the Water Window

- > On 25-Sep-2010, we achieved to push the beam energy above 1.2 GeV
- > First lasing in the water window at 4.12 nm with the fundamental
- > Single pulse energy  $\sim 130 \mu\text{J}$  (max),  $\sim 70 \mu\text{J}$  (avg)



# Linearized Bunch Compression

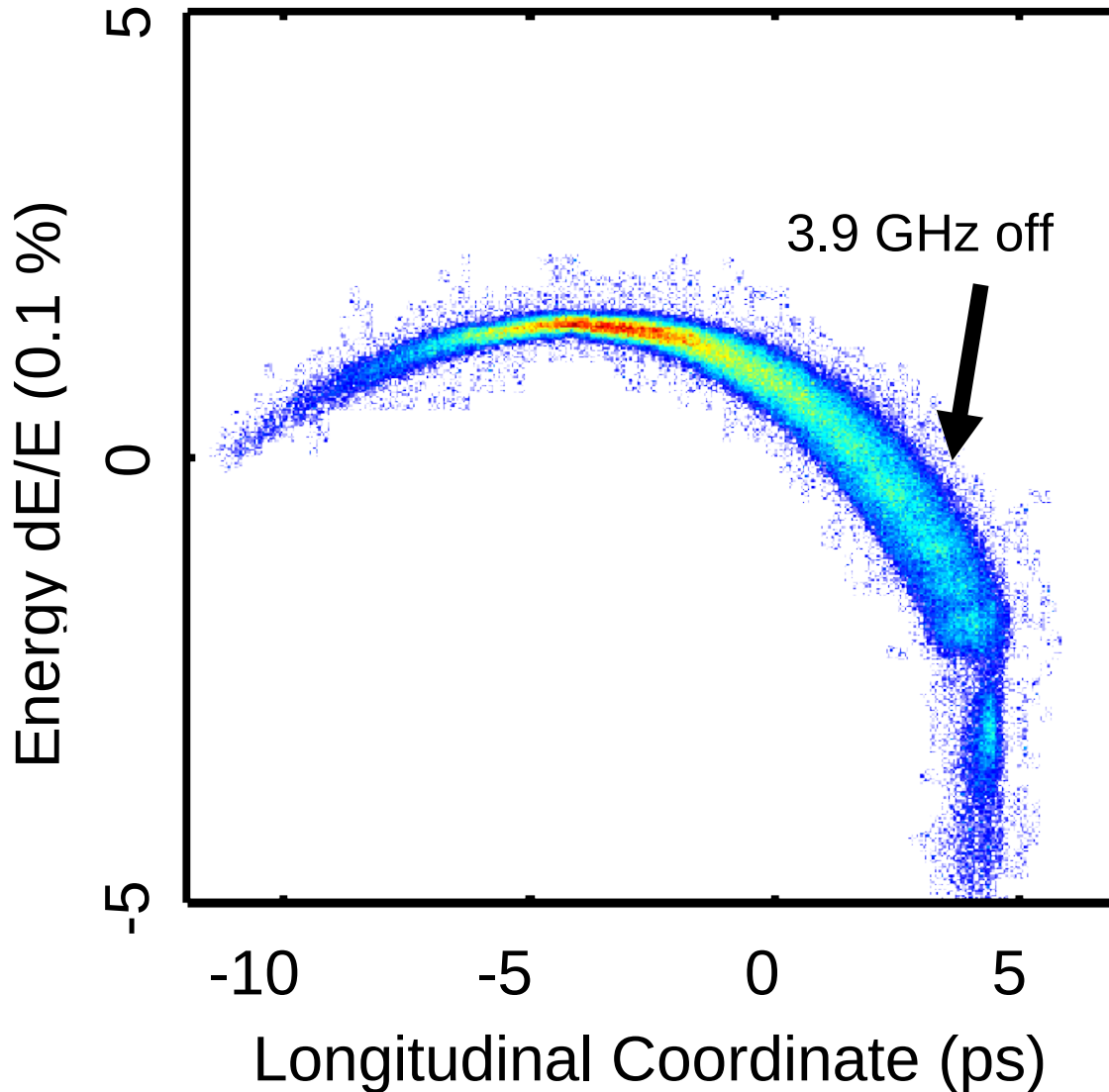


# 3.9 GHz (3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic) Module and Module 1

- > New 1<sup>st</sup> accelerating module with improved cavities and Piezo tuners
- > 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic module with four nine-cell superconducting cavities operated at 3.9 GHz
  - includes RF system and LLRF regulation
  - built at FNAL (Fermilab) in a collaboration with DESY

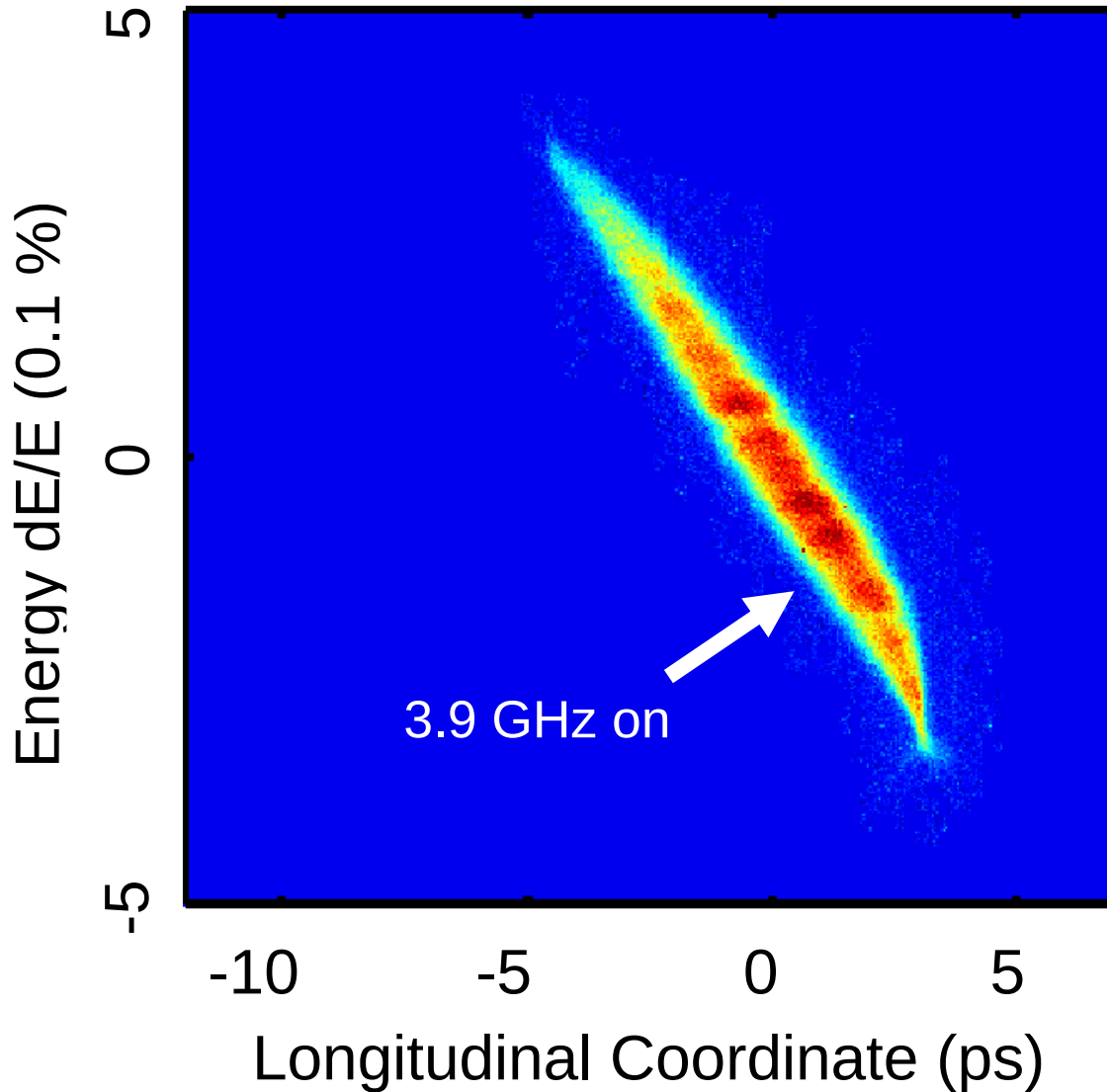


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- > dispersive section
- > beam energy 700 MeV
- > slight compression with 1<sup>st</sup> module (ACC1)
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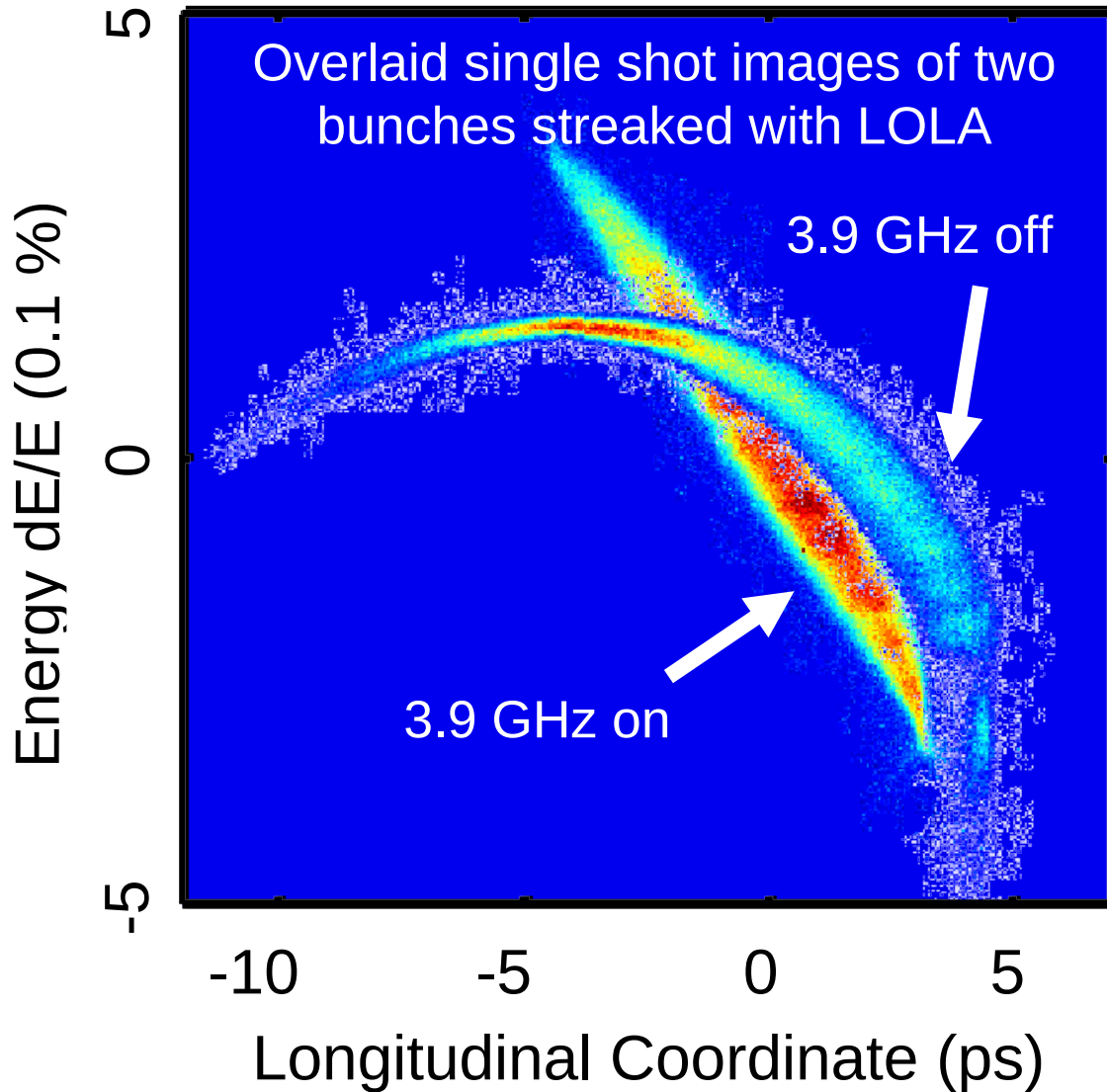
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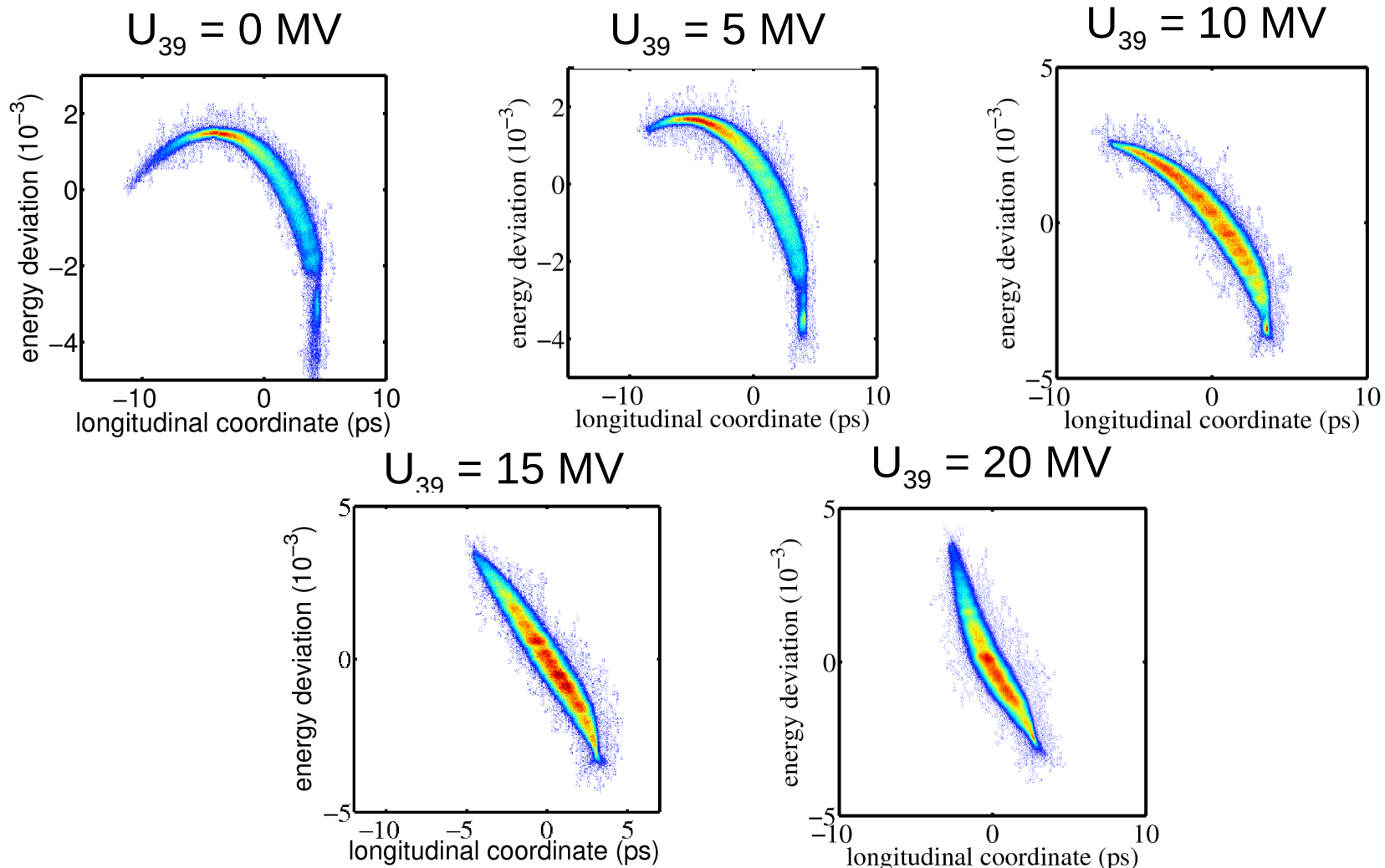


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# Linearization of the Longitudinal Phase Space

1<sup>st</sup> module (ACC1) set to moderate compression

Bunch shape measured for increasing voltage in the 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic cavities

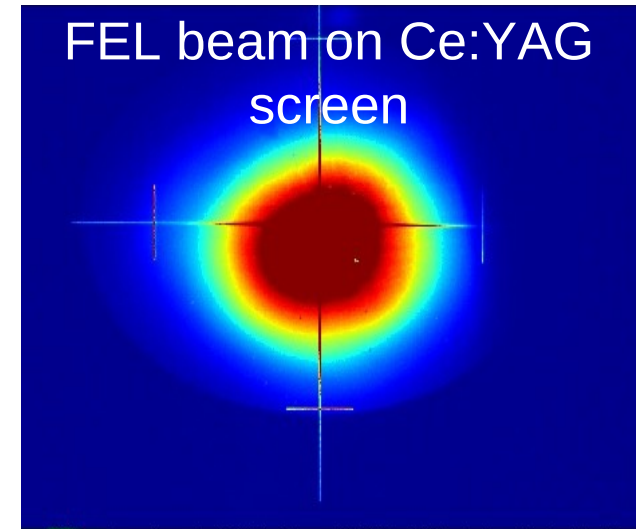


# Examples of Lasing During Commissioning

- > 10 Hz, between 1 and 120 bunches (1 MHz), compression using 3.9 GHz cavities

Examples:

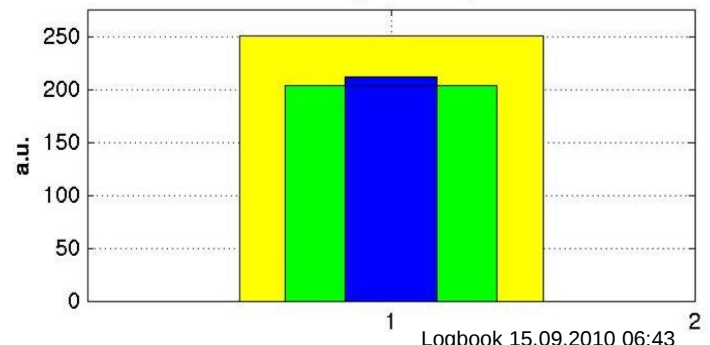
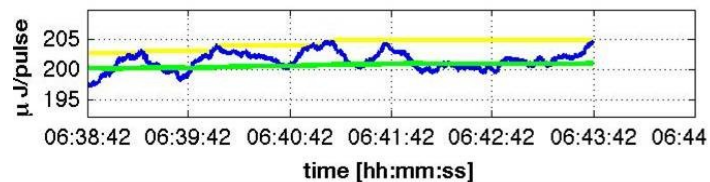
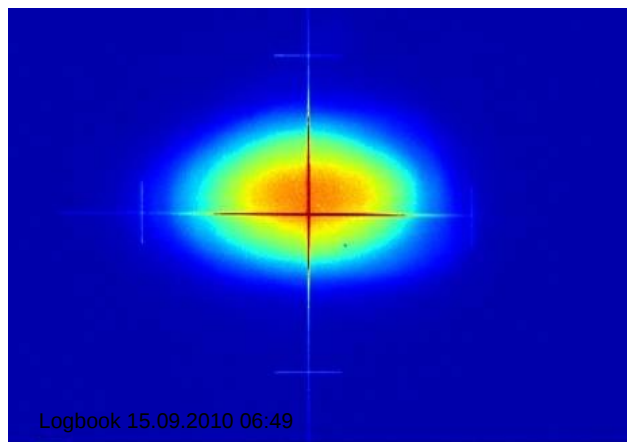
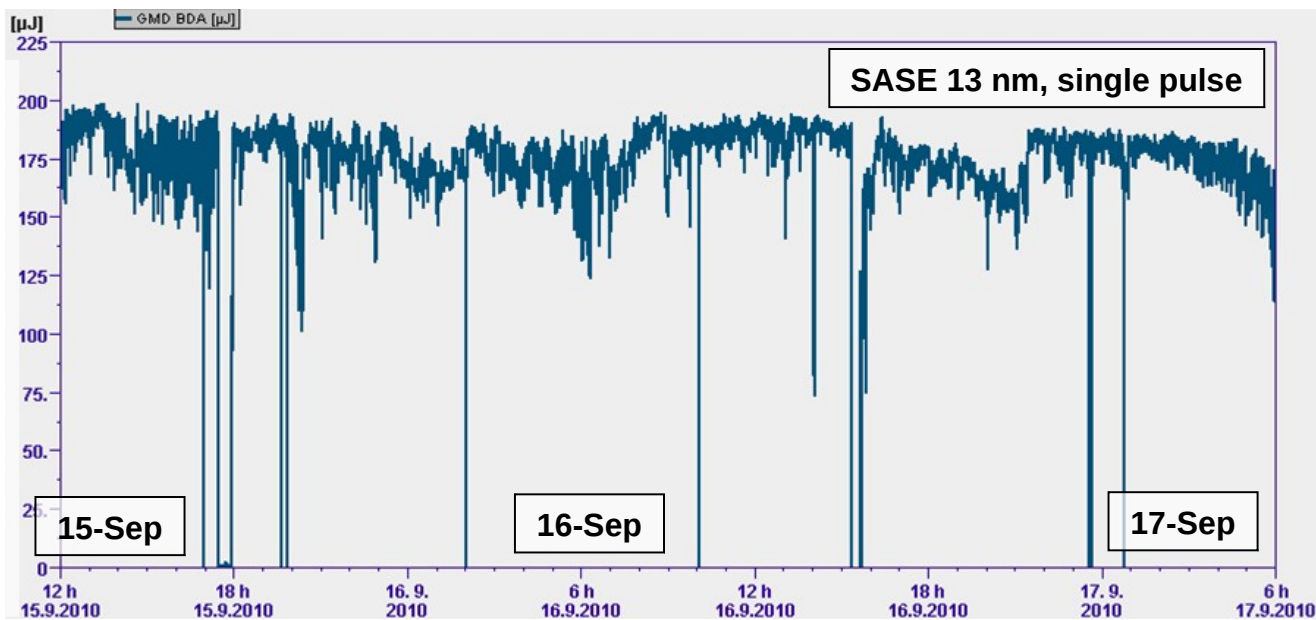
- > 4.45 nm, 140  $\mu\text{J}$  max, average 75  $\mu\text{J}$  per pulse
- > 12.4 nm, 105  $\mu\text{J}$  max, average 75  $\mu\text{J}$  per pulse
- > 13.4 nm, 300  $\mu\text{J}$  max, average 250  $\mu\text{J}$  per pulse
- > 19.2 nm, 350  $\mu\text{J}$  max, average 230  $\mu\text{J}$  per pulse
- > 26.2 nm, 280  $\mu\text{J}$  max, average 160  $\mu\text{J}$  per pulse



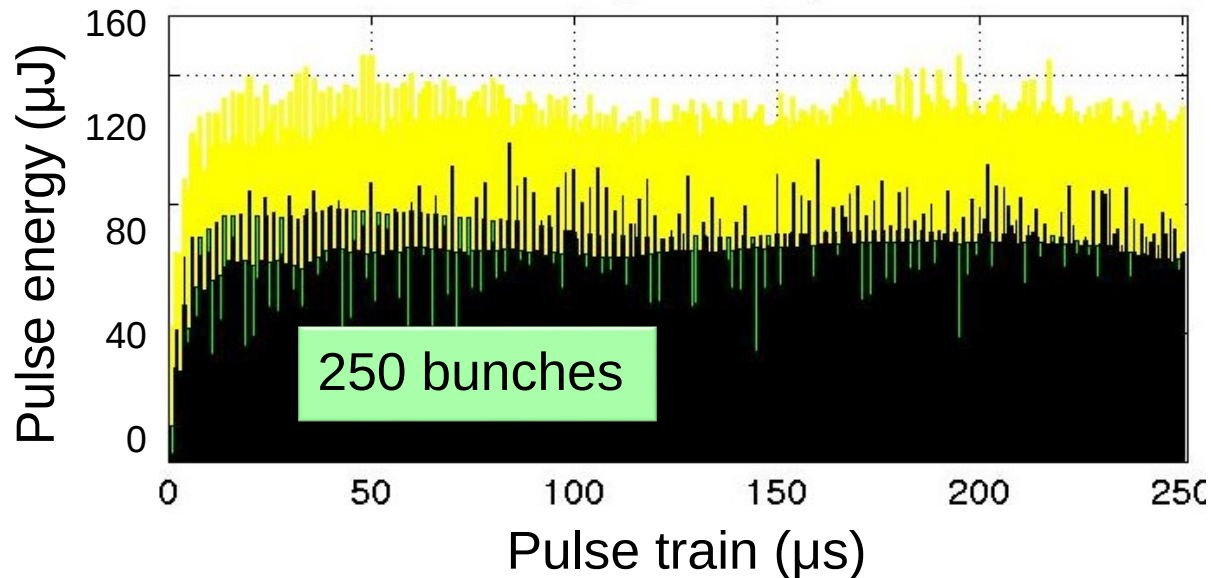
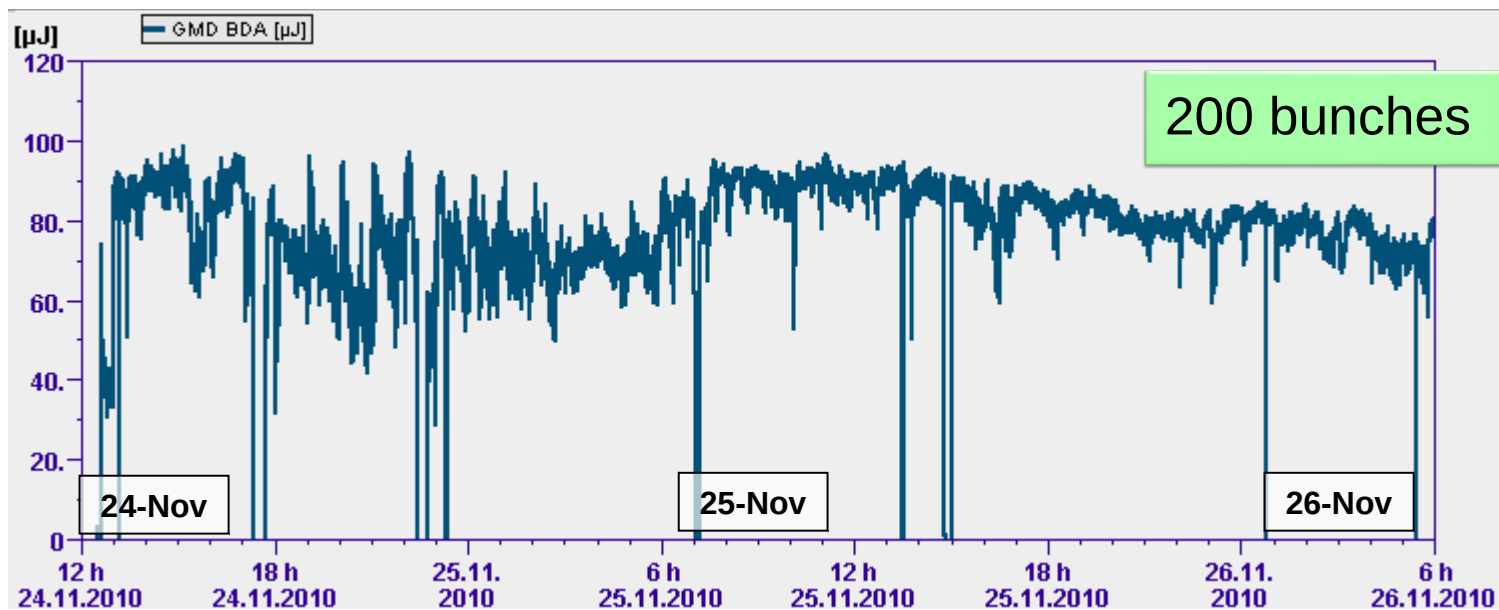
13.4 nm, distance to screen 23.5 m, ticks at 3 mm

Radiation pulse energies are significantly higher and easier to tune compared to roll-over compression

# Examples During User Run: 13 nm, Single Bunch



# 4.8 nm, 250 Pulses/Train, 1 MHz



New record for FLASH:  
Average power 200 mW  
(at 4.8 nm)



# Example 32 nm, 50 bunches 1 MHz

IntensityB IntensityT Attenuator

Linac settings 1000kHz

#Bunch(es): 50      Pressure = 1.1684e-06

Start: 700            HV = 999 V

Repet. 10            Gas type = Xenon

Charge 11SMAT...    Wavelength = 32.0199 nm

Charge: # 0.95577    Aperture I = 10 mm

Charge: 0.91977     Aperture II = 10 mm

Pyro for max. -0.55226

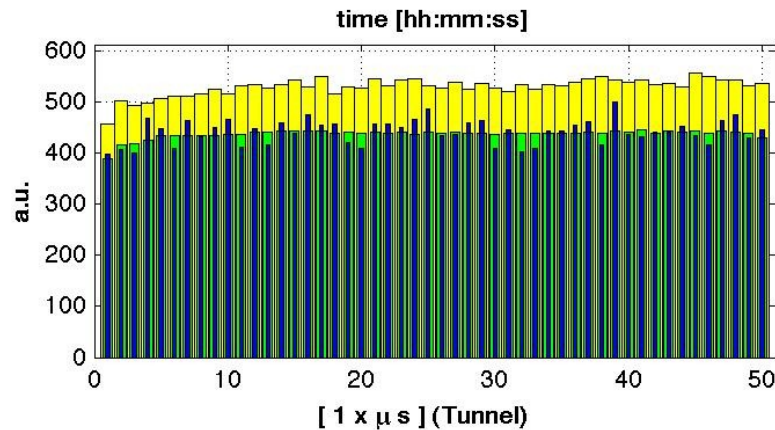
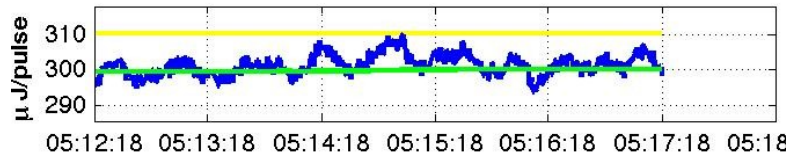
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Energy Photons Ph/sec

#	Signal	Max	Mean	RMS
Ion	2.985e+02	3.102e+02	3.002e+02	1.171e-02
All	4.415e+02	5.561e+02	4.369e+02	2.393e+01
1	3.971e+02	4.564e+02	3.888e+02	5.412e-02
2	4.058e+02	5.009e+02	4.162e+02	5.363e-02
3	3.999e+02	4.923e+02	4.185e+02	5.230e-02
4	4.676e+02	4.981e+02	4.246e+02	5.435e-02
5	4.471e+02	5.063e+02	4.338e+02	5.310e-02
6	4.089e+02	5.108e+02	4.340e+02	5.634e-02
7	4.645e+02	5.112e+02	4.332e+02	5.444e-02
8	4.319e+02	5.150e+02	4.342e+02	5.752e-02
9	4.501e+02	5.239e+02	4.335e+02	5.616e-02
10	4.664e+02	5.150e+02	4.363e+02	5.666e-02
11	4.116e+02	5.321e+02	4.369e+02	5.722e-02
12	4.480e+02	5.328e+02	4.398e+02	5.733e-02
13	4.155e+02	5.278e+02	4.402e+02	5.703e-02
14	4.589e+02	5.340e+02	4.428e+02	6.185e-02
15	4.379e+02	5.416e+02	4.437e+02	5.893e-02
16	4.753e+02	5.281e+02	4.438e+02	6.066e-02
17	4.538e+02	5.503e+02	4.426e+02	5.890e-02
18	4.570e+02	5.165e+02	4.386e+02	6.060e-02
19	4.198e+02	5.294e+02	4.418e+02	5.956e-02
20	4.094e+02	5.274e+02	4.390e+02	6.027e-02
21	4.564e+02	5.456e+02	4.414e+02	5.846e-02
22	4.560e+02	5.322e+02	4.381e+02	6.108e-02
23	4.506e+02	5.426e+02	4.409e+02	5.849e-02
24	4.654e+02	5.454e+02	4.372e+02	6.052e-02
25	4.856e+02	5.320e+02	4.405e+02	5.873e-02
26	4.339e+02	5.275e+02	4.386e+02	5.971e-02
27	4.351e+02	5.370e+02	4.402e+02	5.775e-02
28	4.589e+02	5.245e+02	4.379e+02	5.955e-02
29	4.631e+02	5.351e+02	4.388e+02	5.929e-02
30	4.083e+02	5.270e+02	4.369e+02	5.971e-02

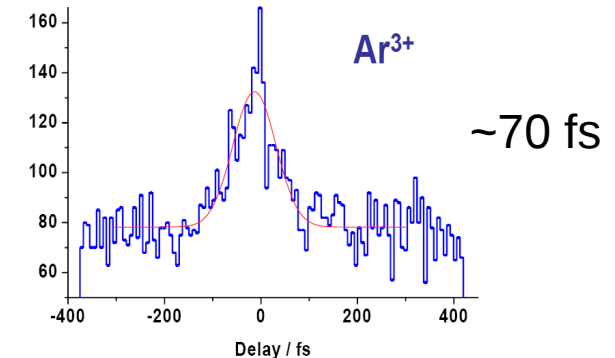
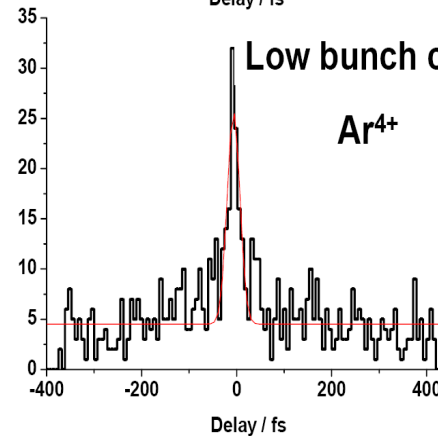
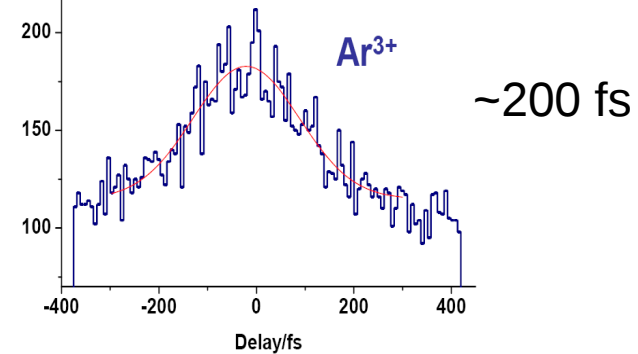
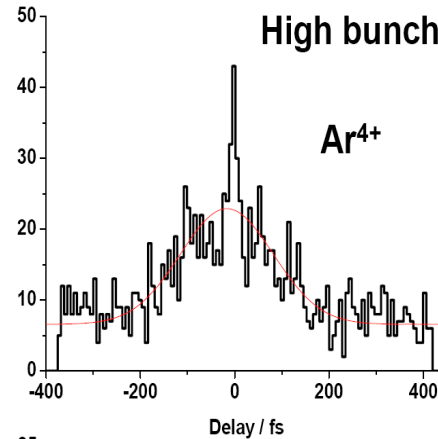
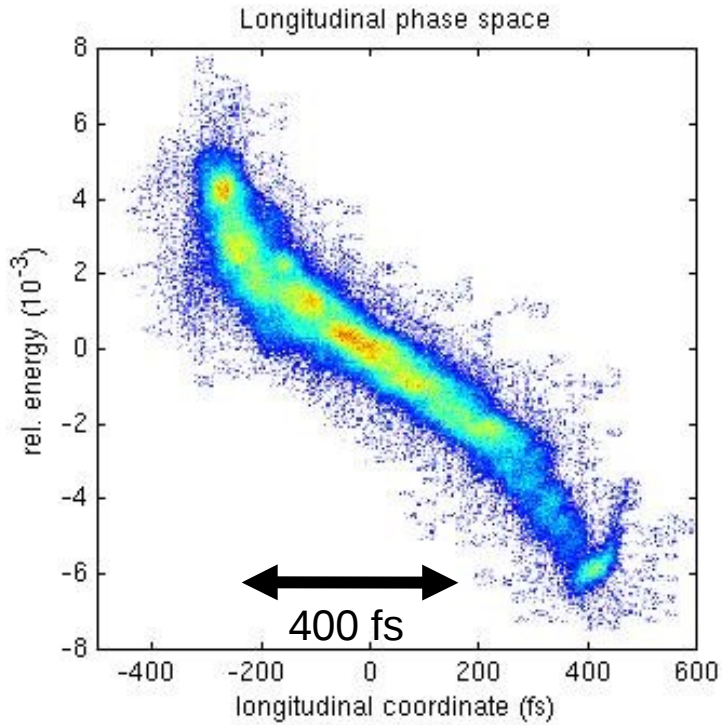
Mean [ last 1310 samples ] = 3.012e+02



# From Long Pulses to Short Pulses



# Long Pulses: Short Pulses Wanted!



Longitudinal Phase Space  
Measurements give just a hint!  
But: Short Electron Bunches  
 $\Rightarrow$  ( ~~$\neq$~~ ) Short Photon Pulses

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# Tuning and Characterisation of Short Electron Bunches and FEL Radiation Pulses at 14 nm

Short FEL photon pulses (<50fs) are desired!

For this reason, dedicated beam time was scheduled during the last accelerator studies in January 2011.

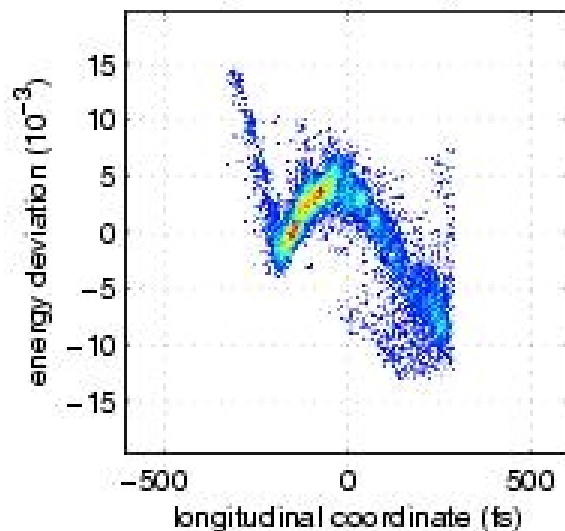
## Characterisation Techniques

- Electron pulse:
  - LOLA (bunch shape)
  - Toroids (charge)
  - Pyro detectors (signal related to bunch shape and charge)
- Photon pulse:
  - Pulse energy (GMD and MCP)
  - Measurements of statistical fluctuations (MCP)
  - Spectral measurements (PGM)

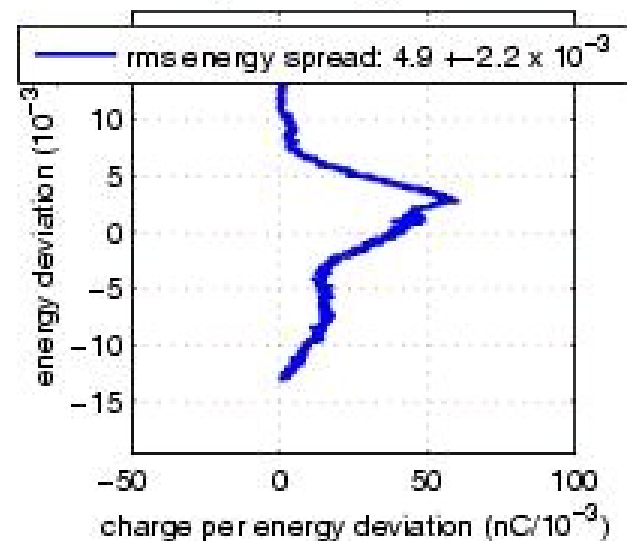


# LOLA images @ 500 pC

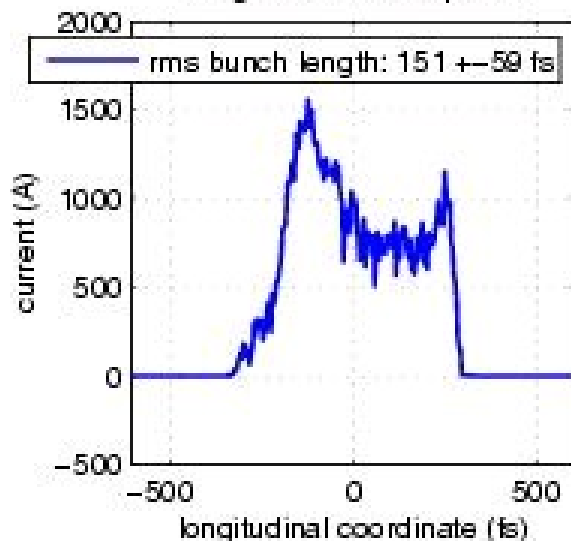
Longitudinal phase space



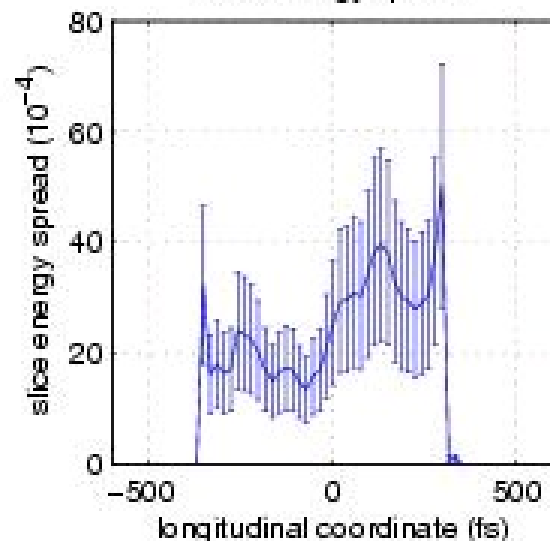
Projected energy deviation



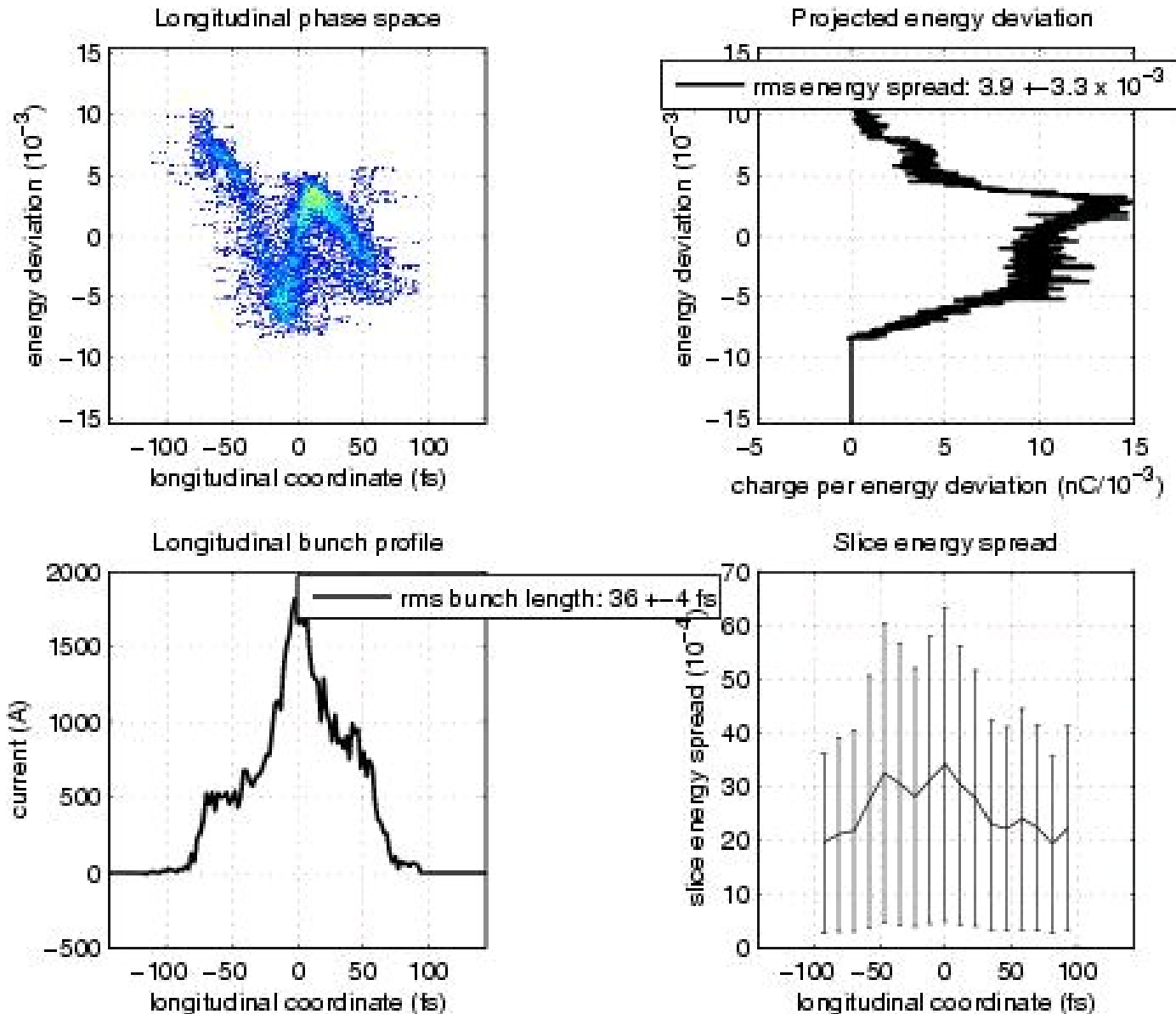
Longitudinal bunch profile



Slice energy spread



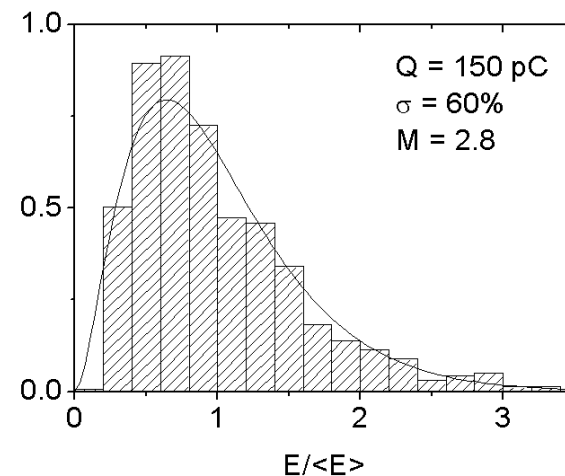
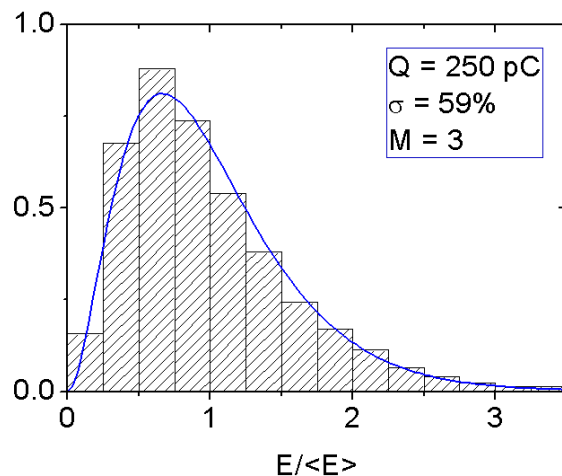
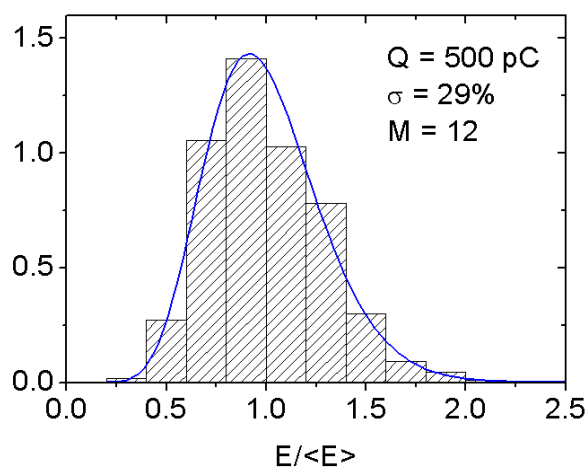
# LOLA images @ 150 pC



# Results: Pulse Energy and Number of Modes

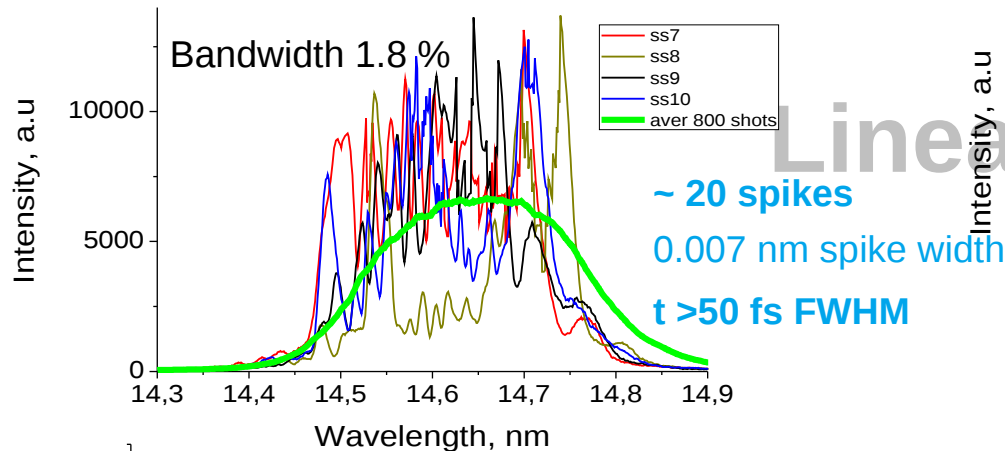
- SASE at 14 nm was tuned to max. pulse energy level for different charges:

150 pC	25-35 $\mu$ J
250 pC	35 $\mu$ J
500 pC	>200 $\mu$ J
- Then the SASE process was suppressed in the undulator modules 5 and 6 (by orbit kick) in order to operate the FEL in the linear regime.
- The number of modes was determined by statistical measurements using MCP07 detector. Measured number of modes in the linear regime:

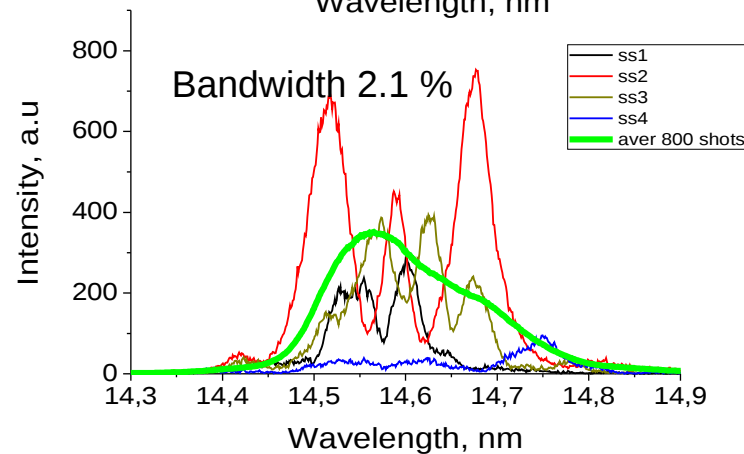
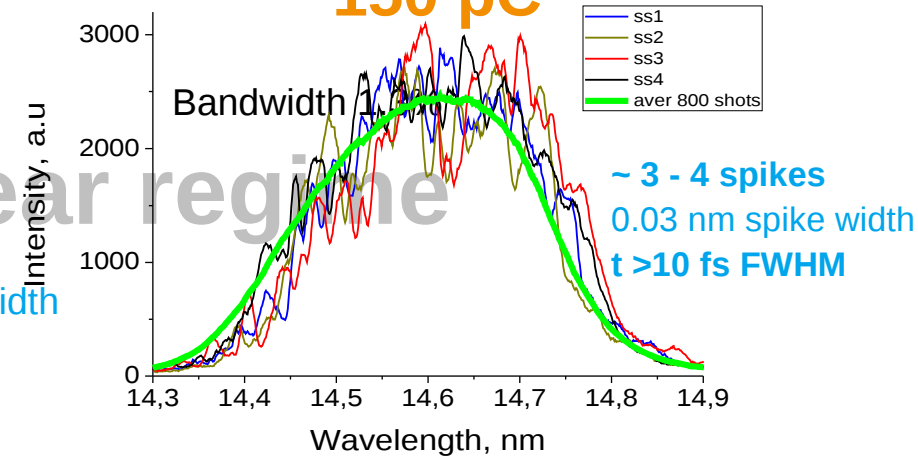


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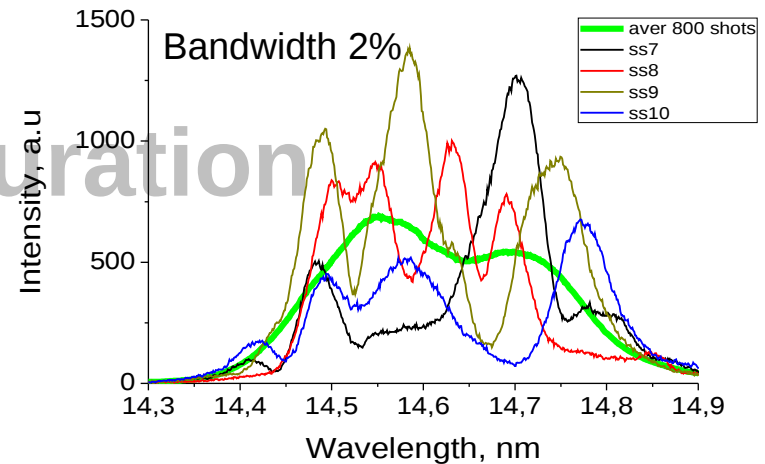
**500 pC**



**150 pC**



Saturation



## Statistics

**500 pC:** sigma = 29%, M = 12,  $T_{rad} \sim 60$  fs (+10 fs + 30 fs)

**150 pC:** sigma = 60%, M = 2.8,  $T_{rad} \sim 15$  fs (+10 fs + 7 fs)



# Machine Stability and Feedback Upgrades

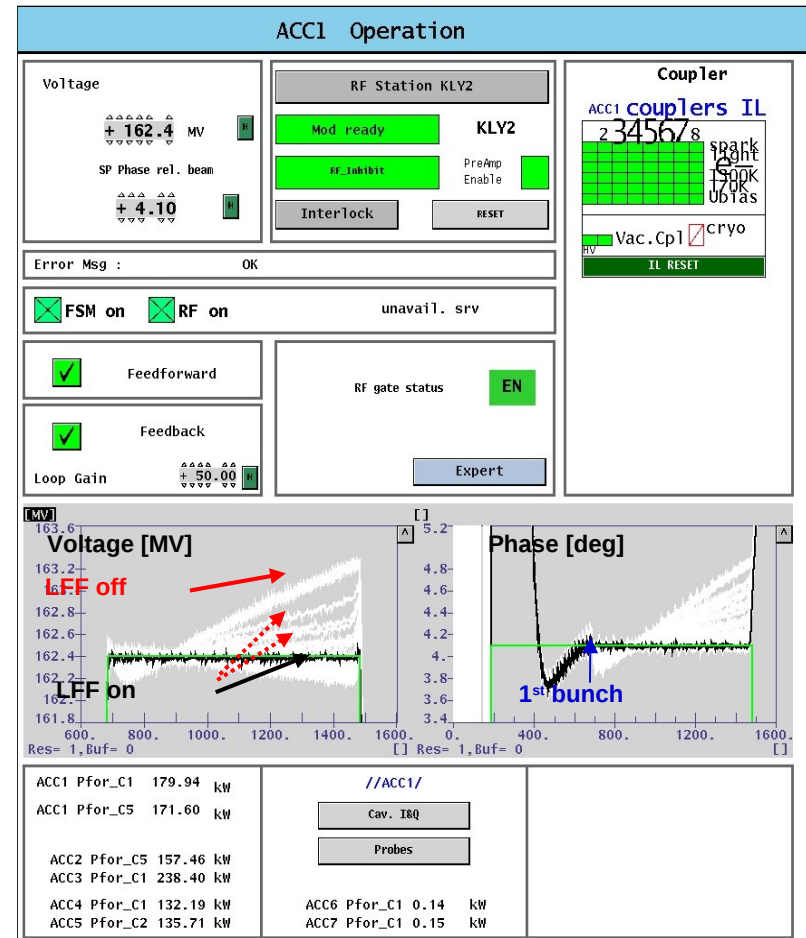


# Upgrade LLRF Control Software

## > Unified and new control software

- New C++ architecture for front-end server
- Finite State Machine for automation
- High level software: diagnostics, calibration...
- Integration to data acquisition system
- Model based learning feed forward (LFF)
- Loop phase/gain correction
- Fast piezo control for cavity detuning comp.
- ... and many more

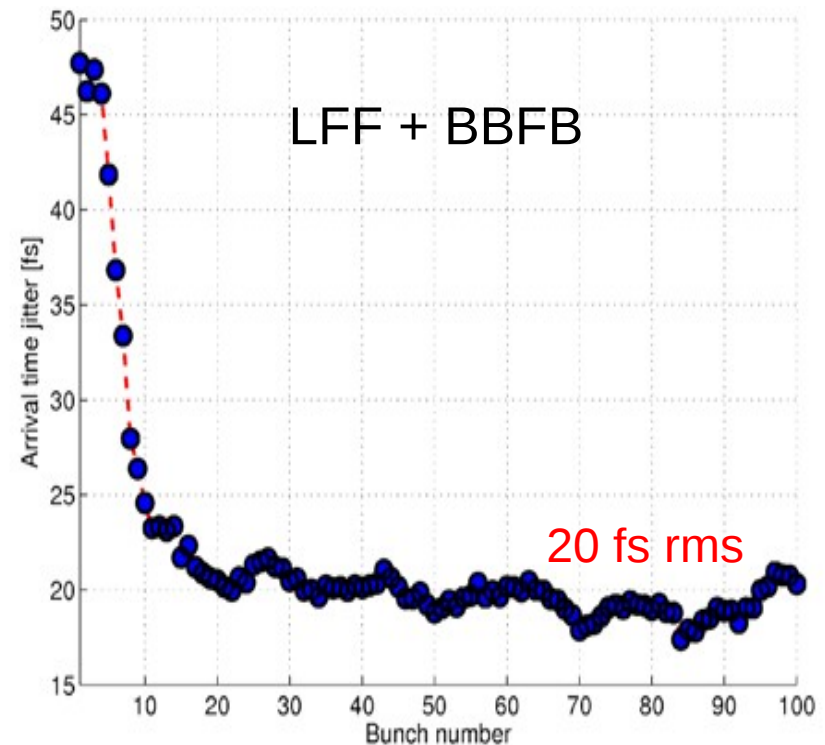
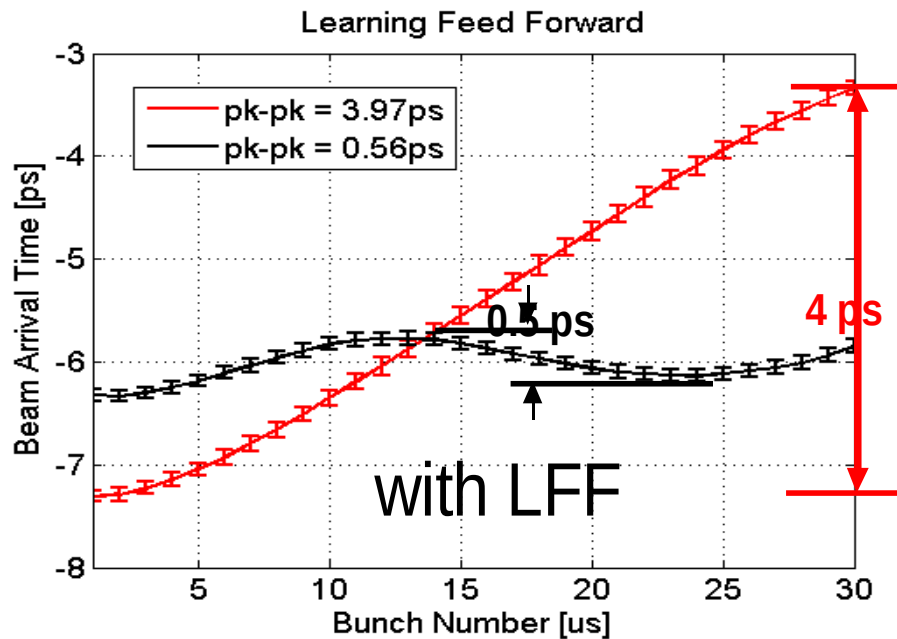
Control software ~80 % completed  
excellent progress in the last year



# First Results on Stability and Beam-based Feedbacks

- > Arrival time jitter (minutes) reduced from ~200 fs to 70 fs rms  
→  $dE/E$  (ACC1)  $< 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$

- > Learning feedforward (LFF) and beam based feedbacks (BBFB)  
→ 20 fs rms arrival time stability



Still in R&D phase



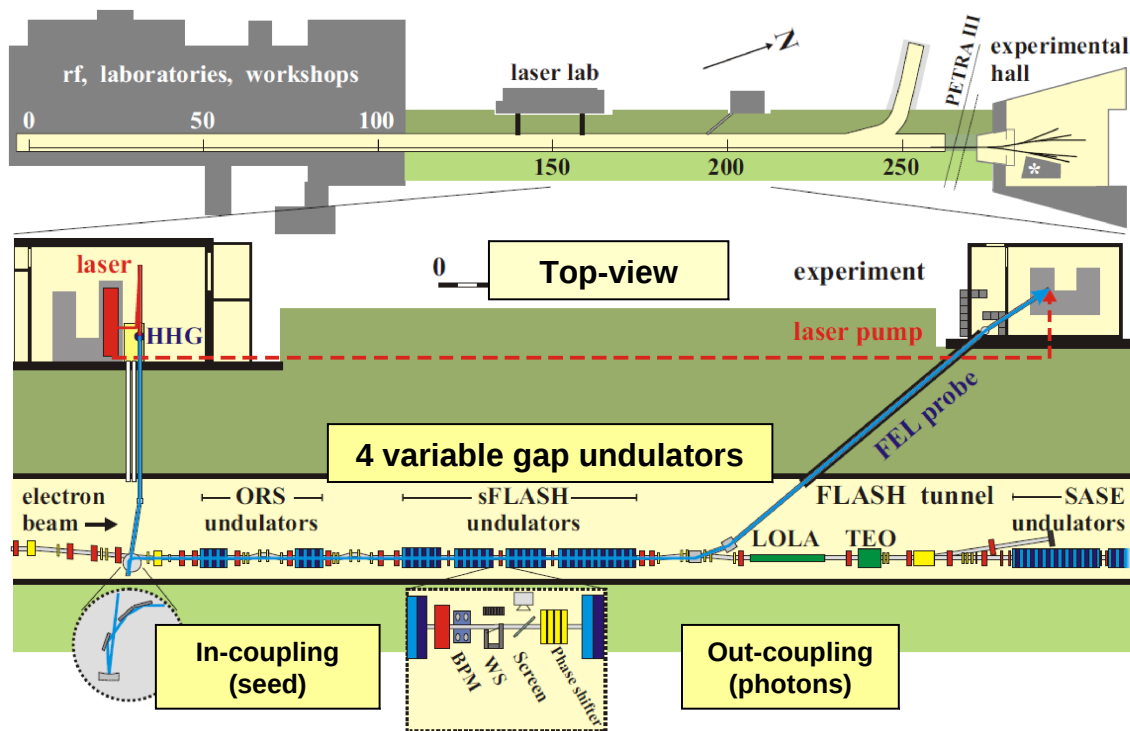


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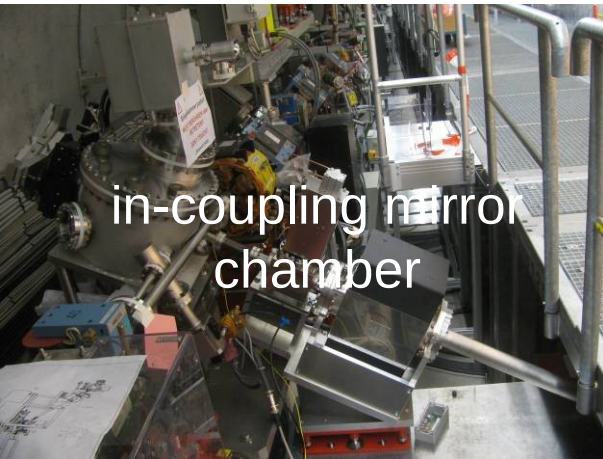


# sFLASH: Experiment for Seeded FEL Radiation

- > Goal: generation of seeded FEL radiation for piloting experiments
- > Installed between the collimator and SASE undulators in the FLASH linac  
→ new electron beamline with a length of ~ 40 m
- > HHG (high harmonic generation) seeding at ~ 38 nm (~ 13 nm as an option)
- > Synchronisation goal for pump probe experiments: 10 fs
- > Collaboration of DESY and University Hamburg



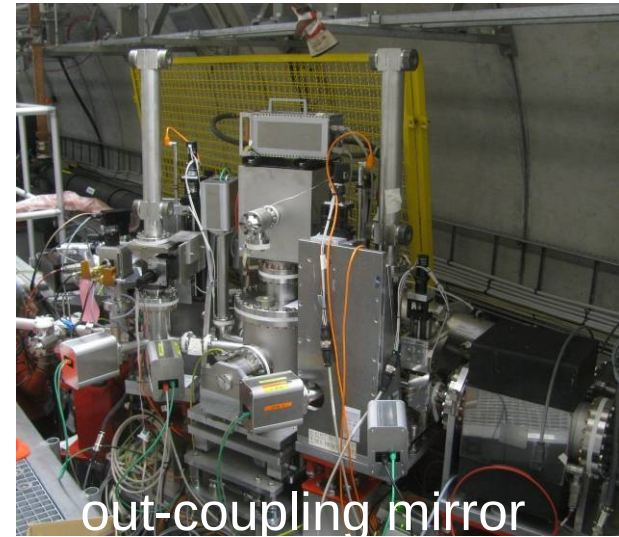
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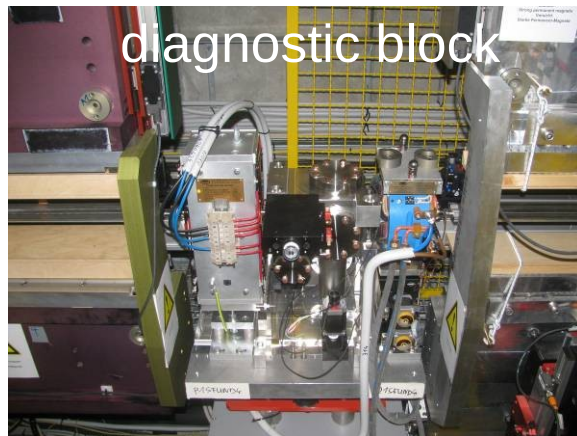
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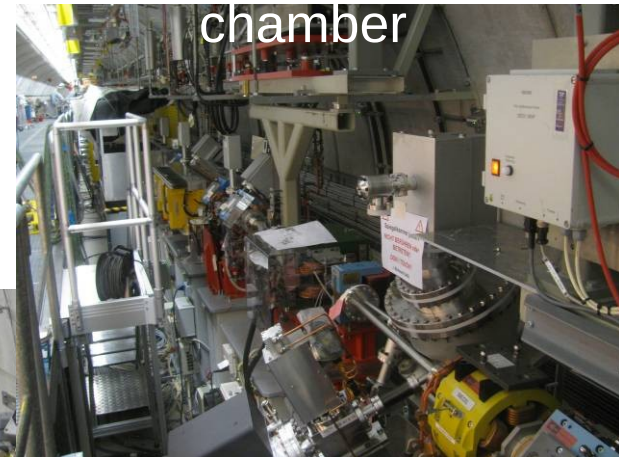
2 m undulators



out-coupling mirror chamber



diagnostic block



chamber



out-coupling beamline

# "FLASH-II"

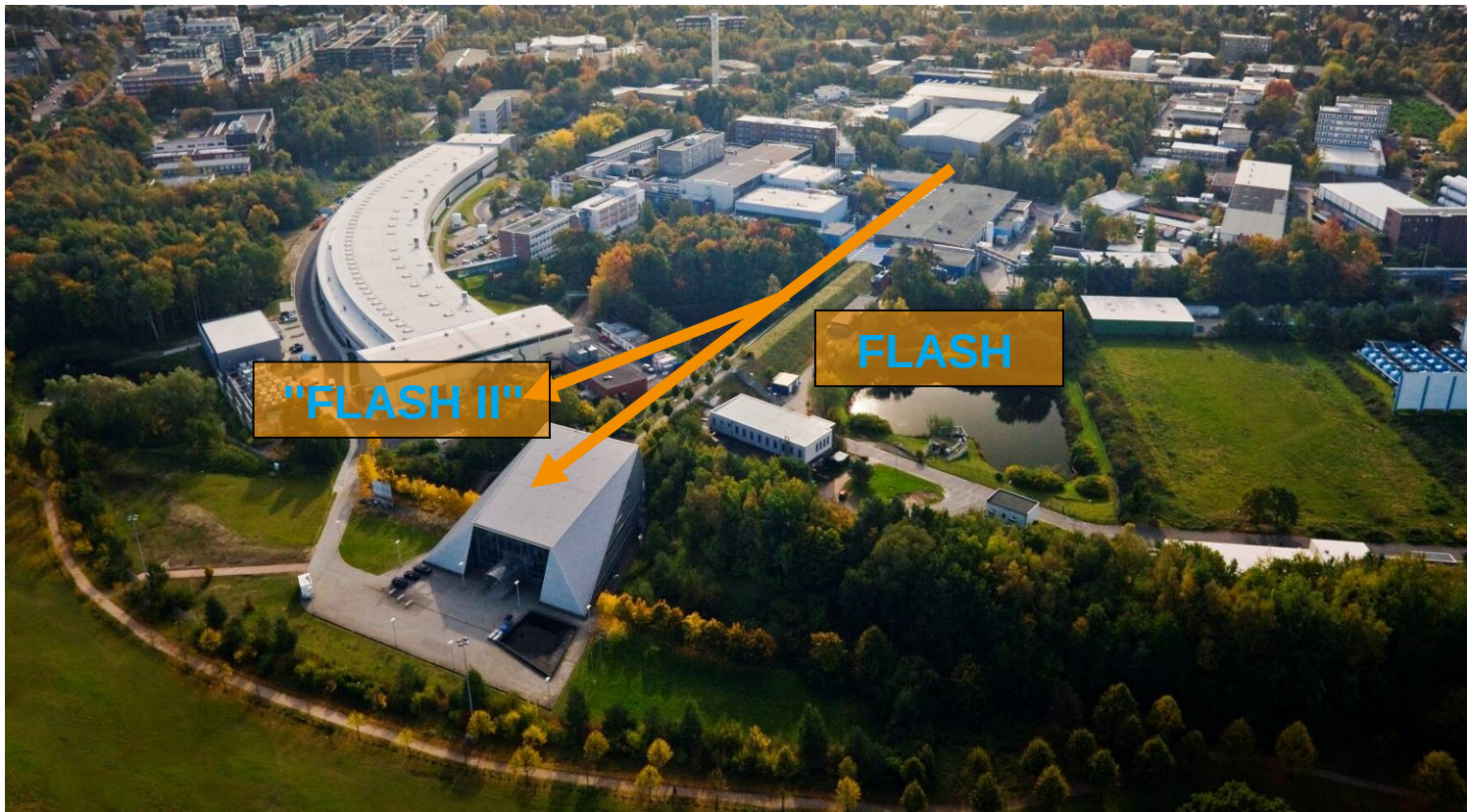


# "FLASH II"

Second undulator line and experimental hall

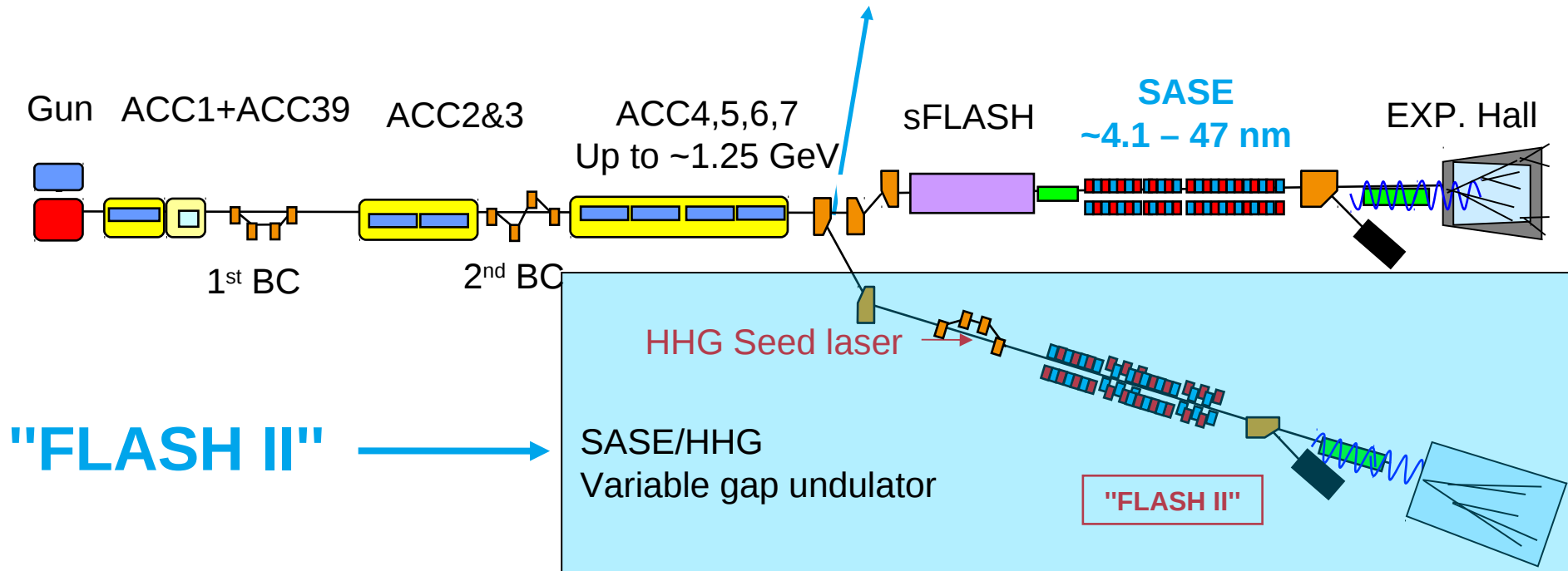
Common proposal by DESY and Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin (HZB)

Project approved, construction starts end of 2011



# Layout after Upgrade for "FLASH II".

- Separation FLASH and "FLASH II" behind last accelerator module
- Tunability of "FLASH II" by undulator gap change
- Extend user capacity with SASE and HHG seeding
- Use of existing infrastructure up to last accelerating module



# "FLASH II": foreseen operation modes.

Self Amplified Spontaneous Emission (**SASE**) mode: Start from density fluctuations spiky, but at full rep.rate and short and long pulses possible.

## SEEDING SCHEME PHASE 1:

High Harmonic Generation (**HHG**) mode (see also sFLASH):

*Amplify an external, frequency multiplied seed laser.*

Only short pulses, but close to single mode down to ~10 nm.

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## Study for seeding towards shorter wavelength:

High Gain Harmonic Generation (**HGHG**) mode:

*Amplify a long wavelength seed and apply frequency multiplication in FEL process.*

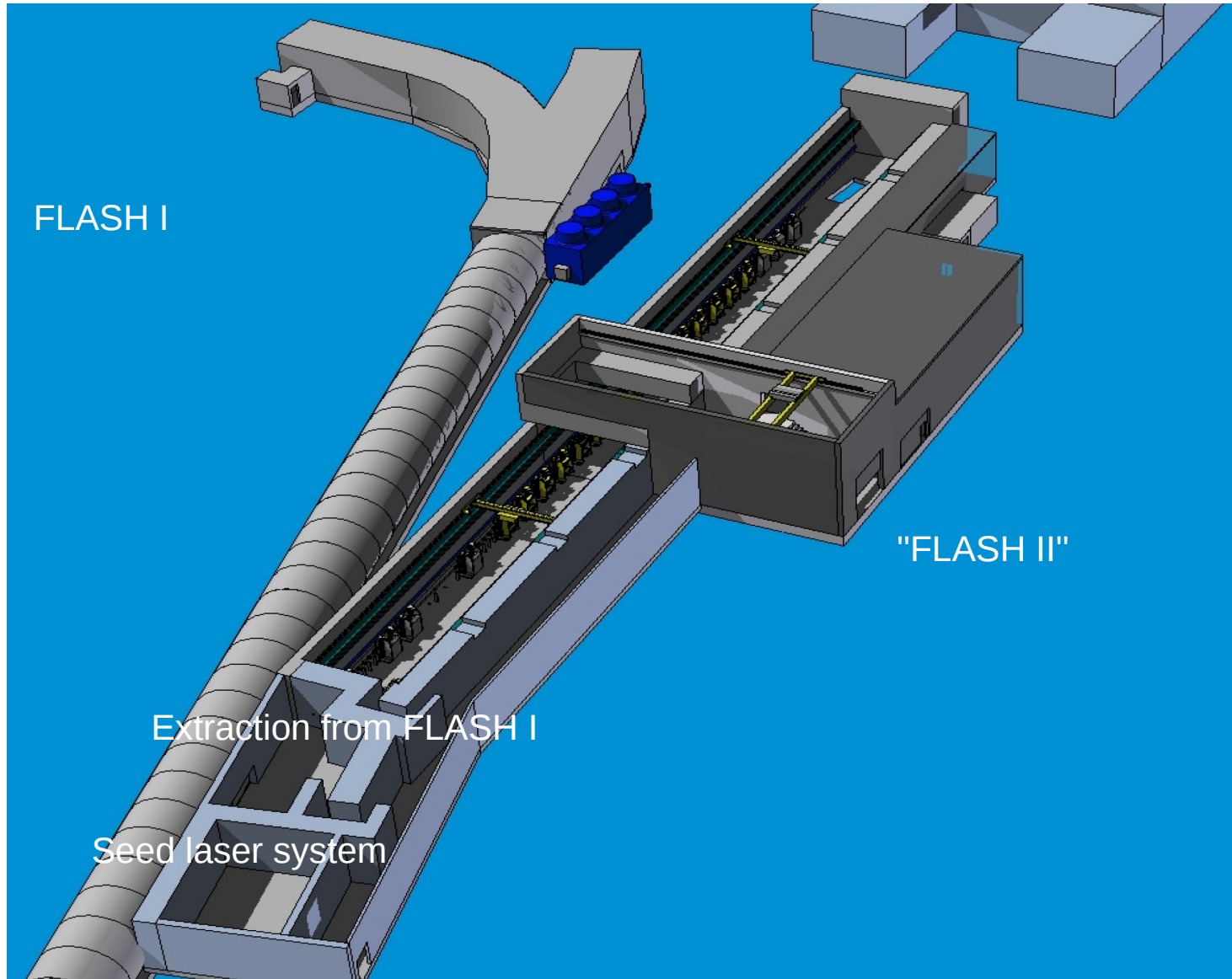
Only short pulses (up to ~5-30 fs), but close to single mode down to ~4 nm.

Echo Enabled Harmonic Generation (**EEHG**) as option.

Hybrid mode: HGHG with HHG source



# Tunnel Layout





# Time Schedule

Starting now : Preparation of "FLASH II" construction

September 2011 : Start of tunnel construction  
Needs ~3 months interruption of FLASH operation

Late Spring 2012 : Start to install technical infrastructure

Summer 2012 : Start to mount hardware

Winter/Spring 2013 : Vacuum connection with FLASH I

Early Summer 2013: Start commissioning of "FLASH II" with beam

Spring 2014(?) : Start of user operation "FLASH II"



# Summary

- > Successful re-start of FLASH after the upgrade
- > We have reached the water window
- > FEL beam more intense and stable than ever, tuning easier
- > Tuning of short pulses is possible with linearized compression scheme
- > LLRF and beam-based feedbacks have been significantly improved
- > Photon beamlines and diagnostics have been significantly improved
- > The seeding experiment sFLASH is in commissioning phase
- > FLASH-II is approved and funded

