BI feedbacks

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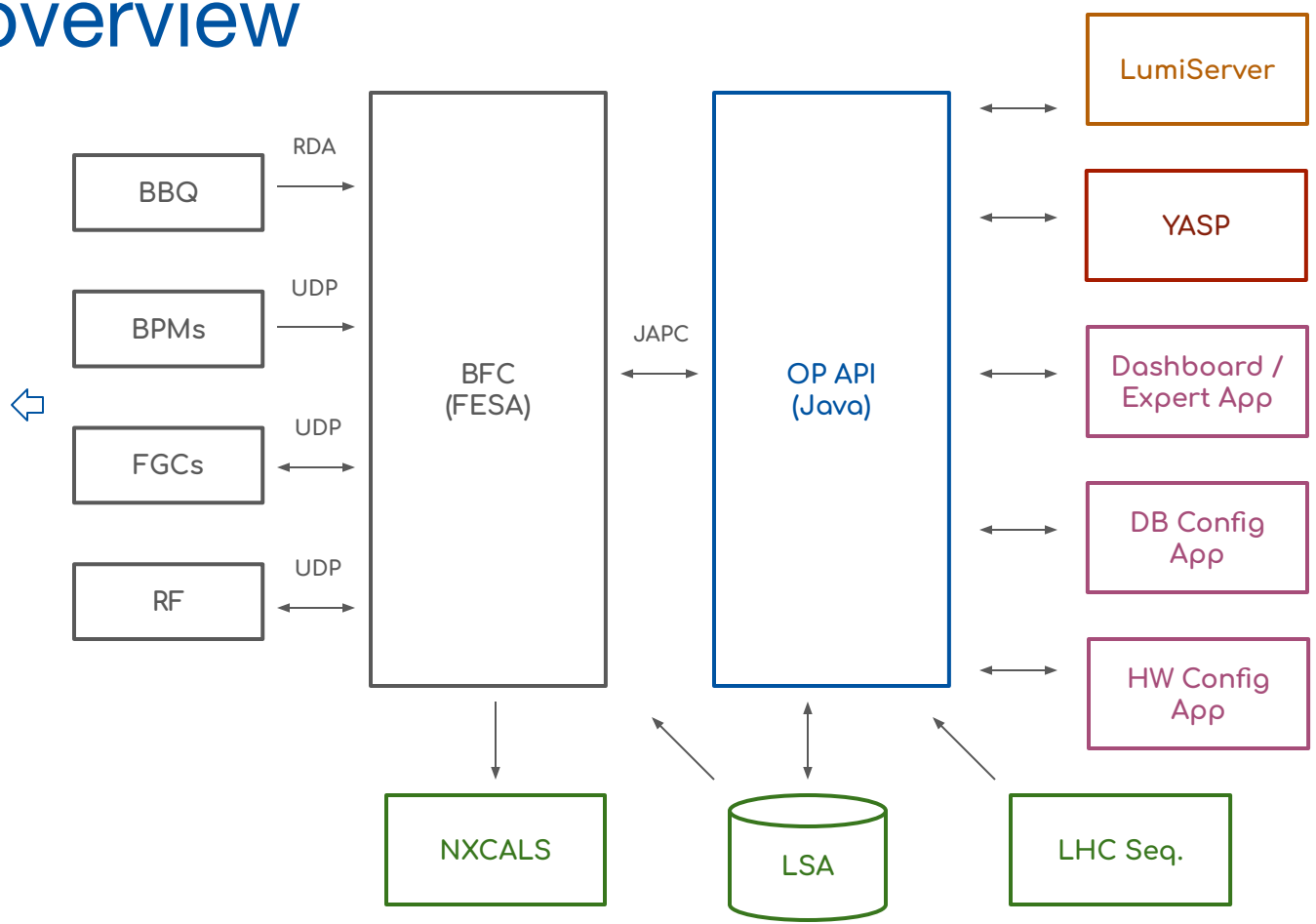
Beam-Based Feedback introduction

- Fast feedback loop with FESA class
  - Beam Feedback Controller (BFC)
  - Developed by SY-BI
- Keep orbit & tune @ reference
  - Orbit Feedback (OFB)
  - Tune Feedback (QFB)
- Critical LHC system
  - Especially during dynamic phases (e.g. Ramp)

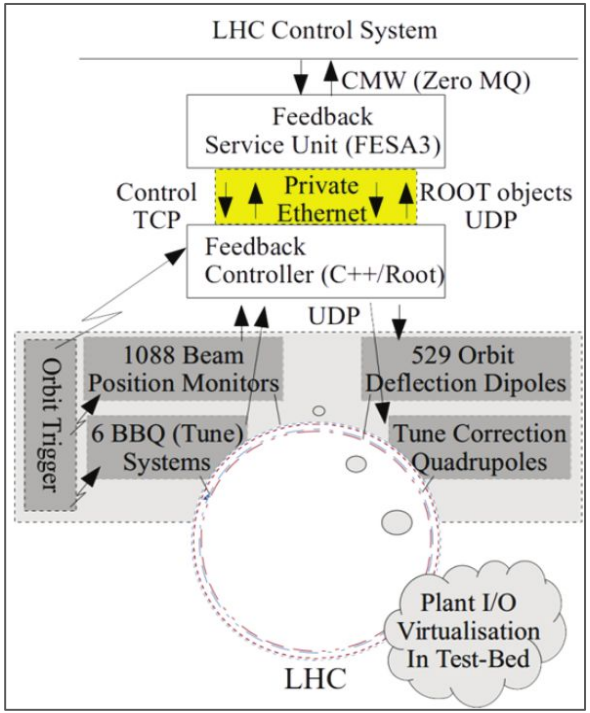
System overview



HW & FESA API renovation

- Significantly faster HW
  - 64-core CPU & 200 GB RAM
  - Operational + spare (testbed) machines
- Major architecture refactoring, of note
  - Eradicated initial Root obj. initialization
  - Removed internal Ethernet link
  - Merged *Service Unit* & *Controller*
- New architecture based on FESA3
  - ✓ Simpler and more maintainable

Old architecture



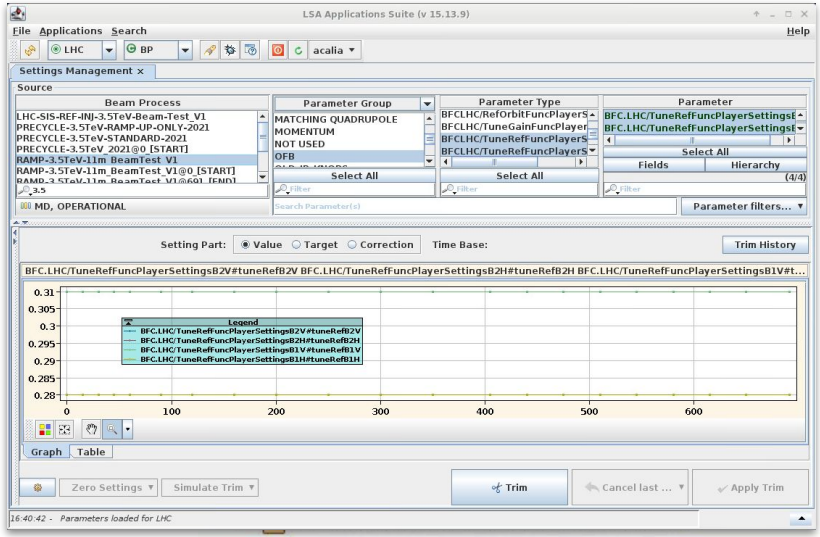
[1] TESTING FRAMEWORK FOR THE LHC BEAM-BASED FEEDBACK SYSTEM (S. Jackson et al.)

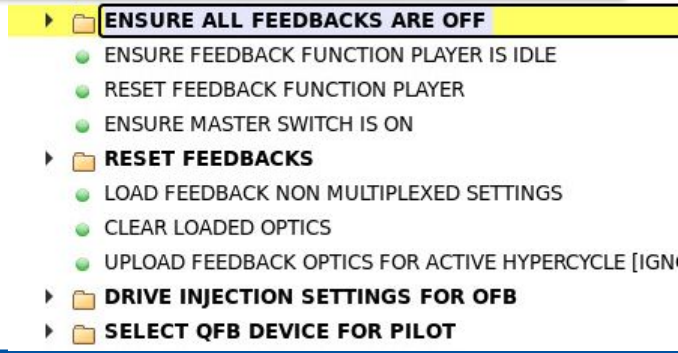
HW & FESA API renovation

- New features
  - Function-driven behavior
  - Reimplemented optics (twiss) handling
  - Faster and parallelized Response Matrices calculations
  - Better integration with LHC control system
- Studies and prototypes (*L. Grech et al.*)
  - “Feasibility of Hardware Acceleration in the LHC Orbit Feedback Controller”
  - “An Alternative Processing Algorithm for the Tune Measurement System in the LHC”
  - “A Machine Learning Approach for the Tune Estimation in the LHC”

Operational-side improvements

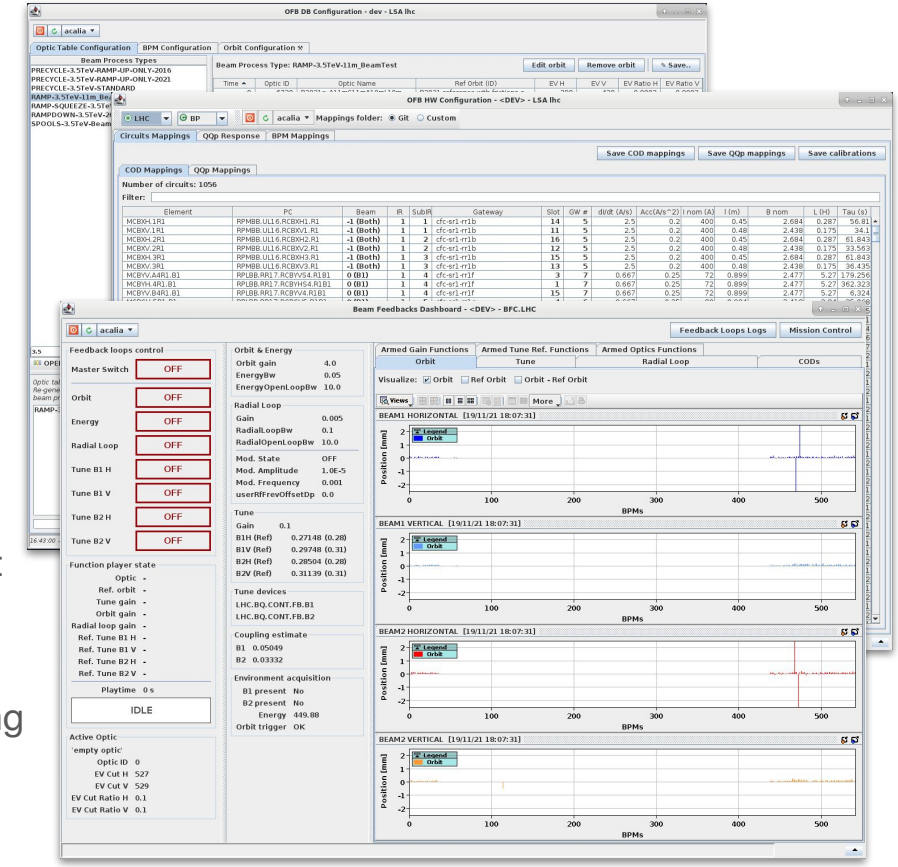
- Settings were a bit spread out ...
  - LSA, Sequences and BFC init values
  - Confusion & inconsistencies
- Consolidation and simplification
  - ✓ LSA as source of truth
    - Make Rules & Value Generators
  - ✓ References from operational settings
    - Orbit ref. from BPM ref.
    - Tune ref. from new *TUNE_TARGET* knob
- Nominal operations via LHC Sequencer





Operational-side improvements

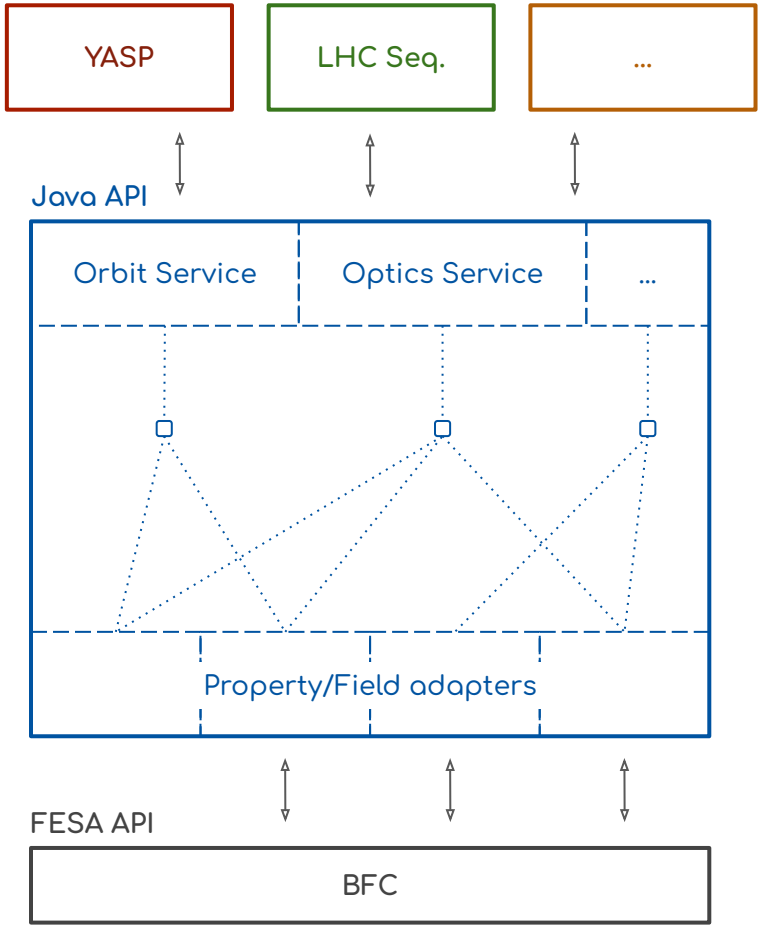
- Operational apps & projects zoo …
  - Requirements evolved with experience
- New & heavily refactored apps
  - ✓ HW Configuration app
    - Mapping files & Tune RM generation
  - ✓ DB Configuration app
    - LSA Trims, Optic & Ref. Orbit management
  - ✓ Dashboard & Expert GUI
    - Dashboards & tools for MDs/commissioning
- Simplified YASP-OFB integration



OP API renovation

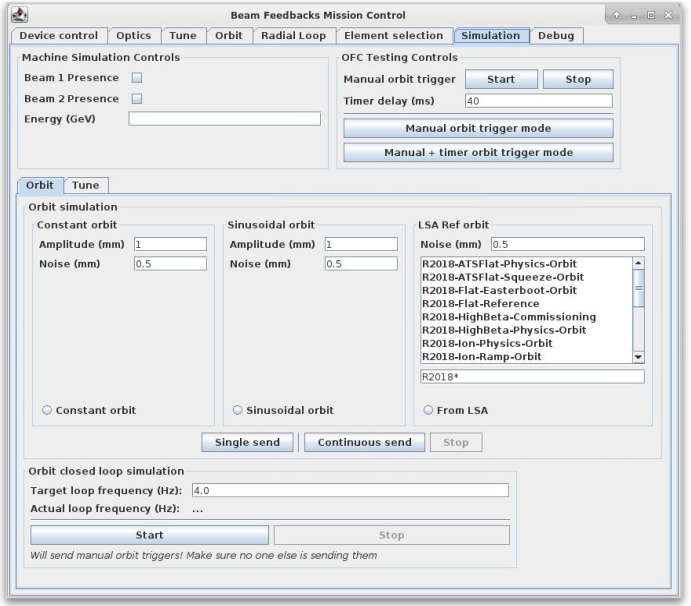
- Java API on top of BFC FESA class
  - Integration with CCC ecosystem
  - Ensure correct usage of FESA API
  - Move complexity away from apps

    E.g. LHC Seq. agent from 3k+ loc to ~600
  - Flexible abstraction layer for OP
- Extends BFC API
  - *E.g. “load LSA orbit as reference”*
- Opens the door to testing
  - New specific testing framework



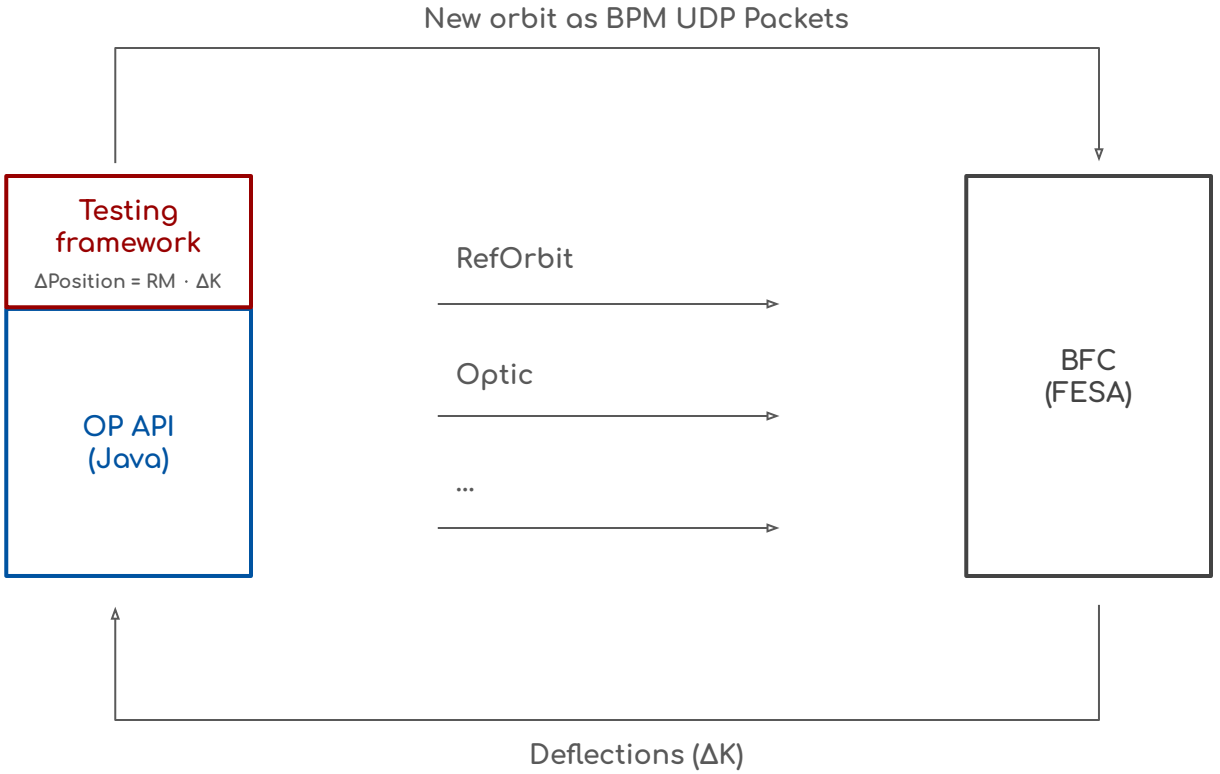
Automatic testing

- Goals
  - ➜ Peace of mind when refactoring
  - ➜ Reduce commissioning time
  - ➜ Requirement validation
  - ➜ Encourage “good programming practices”
- Reproducible environment
  - Gitlab CI
  - Testbed machine in simulation
- Closed loop simulation tests
  - Behavior verification (“*Does it converge?*”)

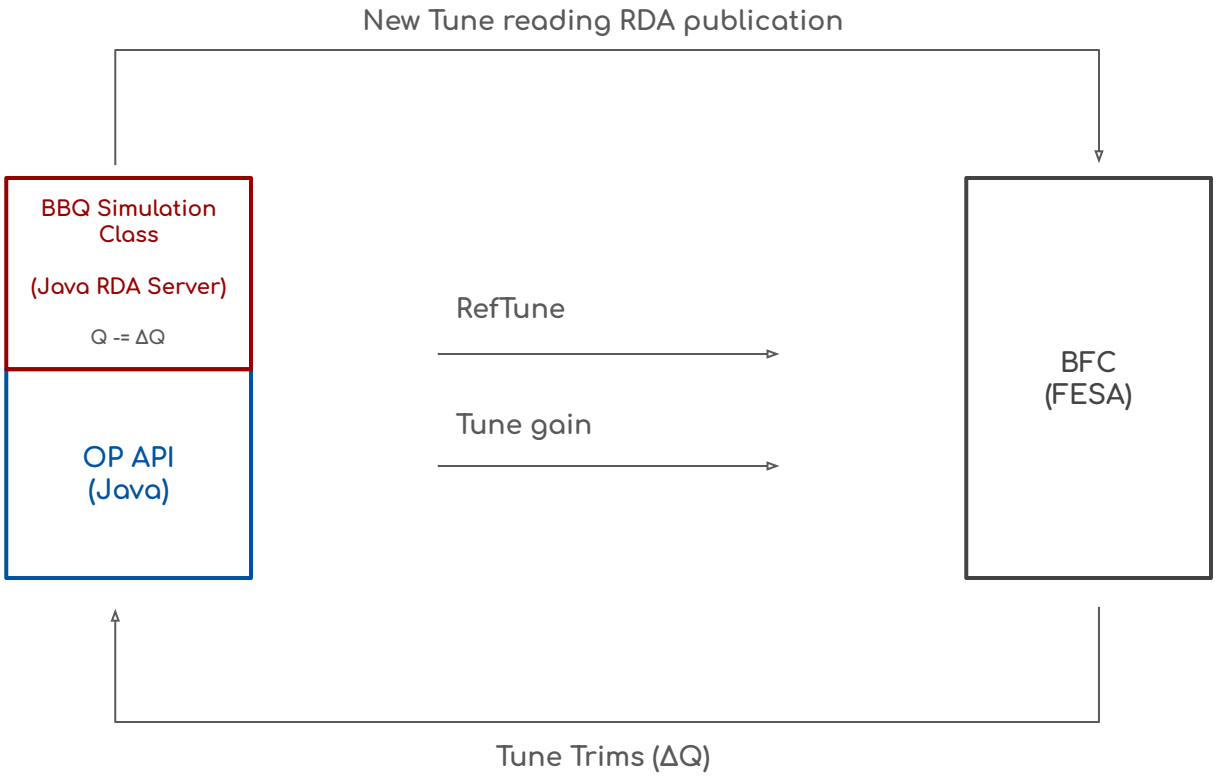



```
@Test
public void whenRunning_sendingPauseAndResume_shouldPauseAndResume() {
   ensureRunningFor(Duration.ofSeconds(15), () -> {
       sendFunctionPlayerEvent(PAUSE);
       awaitState(functionPlayerState(), PAUSED);
       sendFunctionPlayerEvent(RESUME);
       awaitState(functionPlayerState(), RUNNING);
   });
}
```

Orbit closed loop simulation

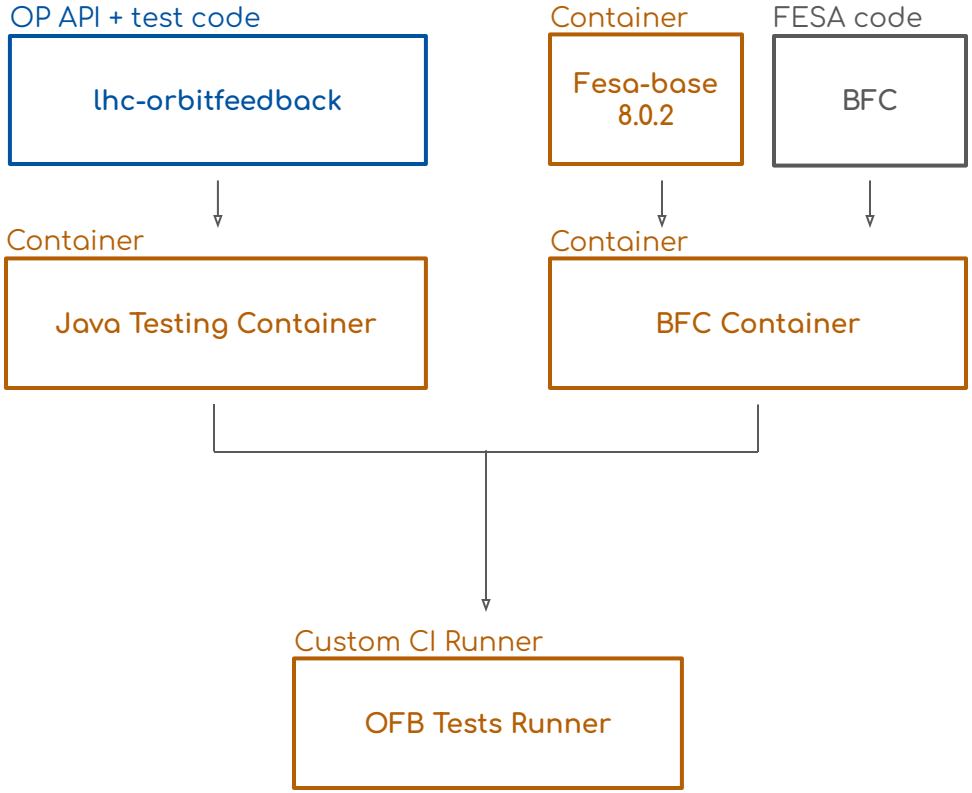


Tune closed loop simulation



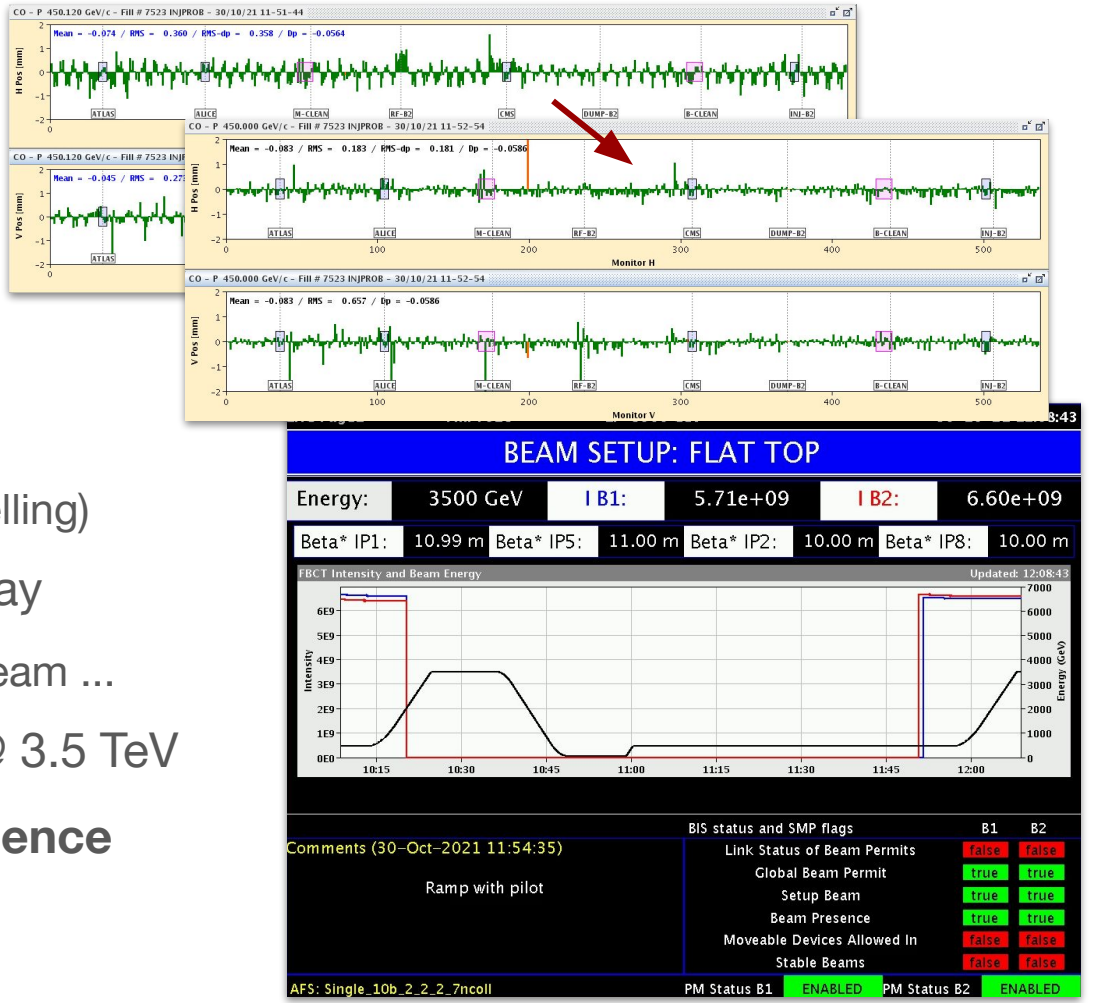
Continuous integration

- Automatic full-stack validation
  - Run on commit and daily
  - Based on Gitlab CI Pipelines
  - Currently ~100 unit tests
  - Report in case of errors
- Detailed history of issues
  - *“This happened before… ”*
- Better development cycle
  - *“It worked on my machine… ”*



Beam test results

- Successfully commissioned !
  - ✓ New BFC FESA class
  - ✓ OP API + applications
  - ✓ LSA settings + sequencer tasks
  - ✓ Trim orchestration (e.g. lumi levelling)
- Some issues ironed out on the way
  - Mostly only discoverable with beam ...
- Excellent behavior during ramp @ 3.5 TeV
- **Invaluable feedback and experience**
  - ➜ Smooth start of Run3



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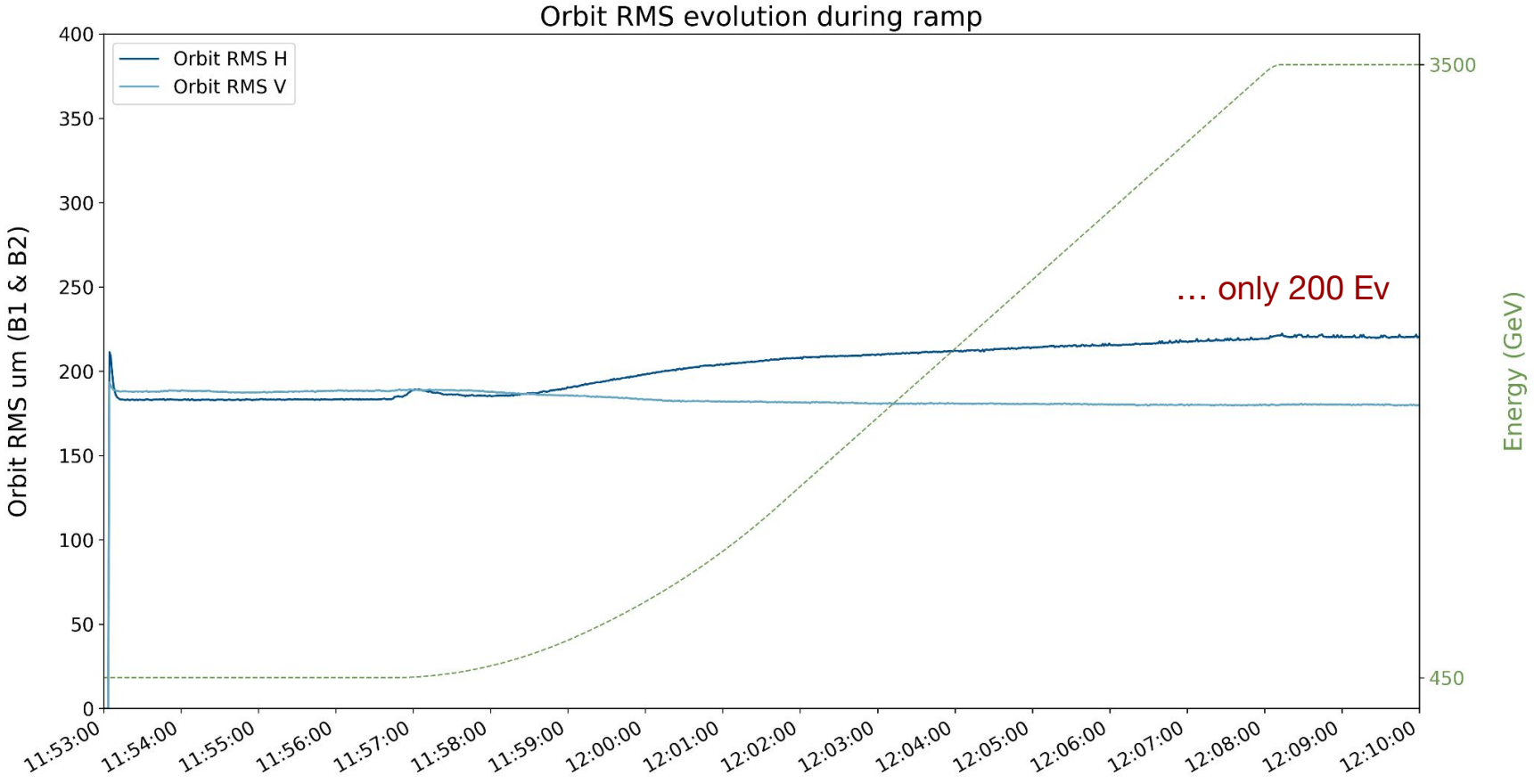

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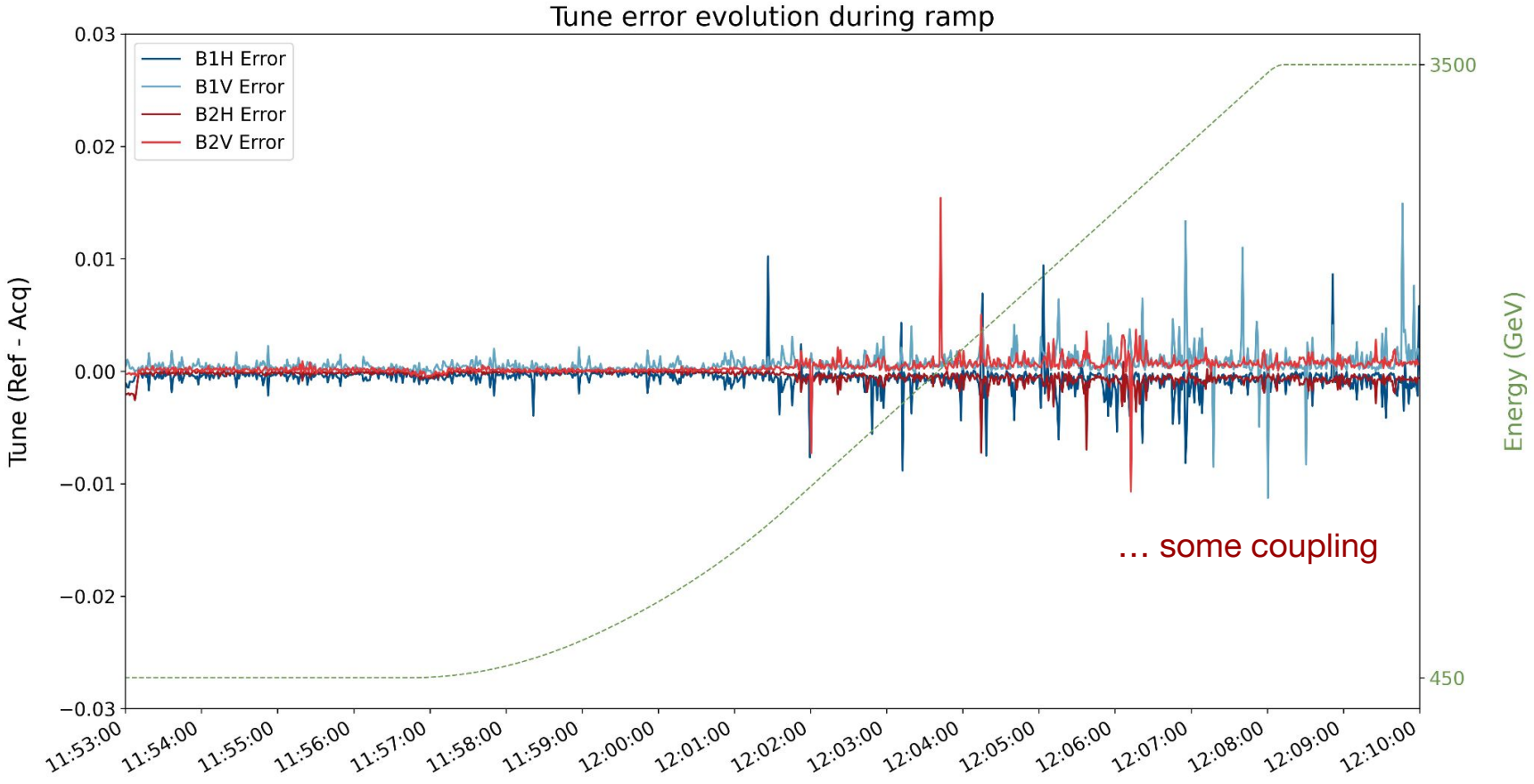
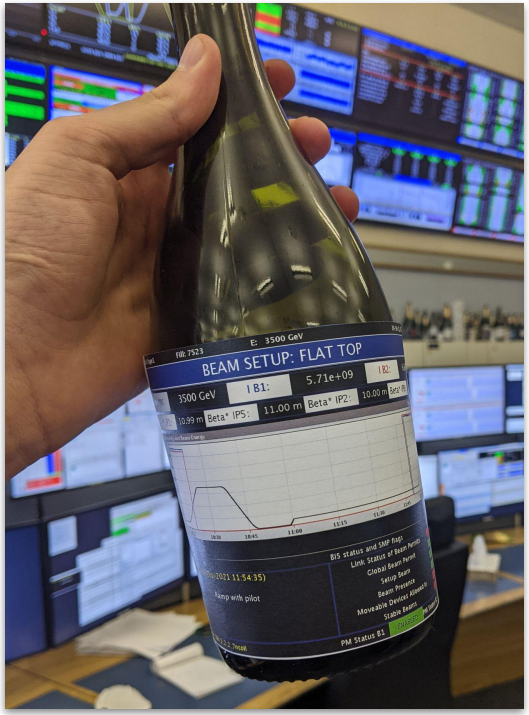


Conclusions

- Beam test was very important !
  - Minor issues fixed
  - Invaluable feedback
  - Significant head-start for 2022
- Success recipe
  - **Collaborations** & synergies are paramount
  - **Testing** & simulation are a MUST
  - Embrace change & **best-practices**
- No impact of 1-year extension of Run3



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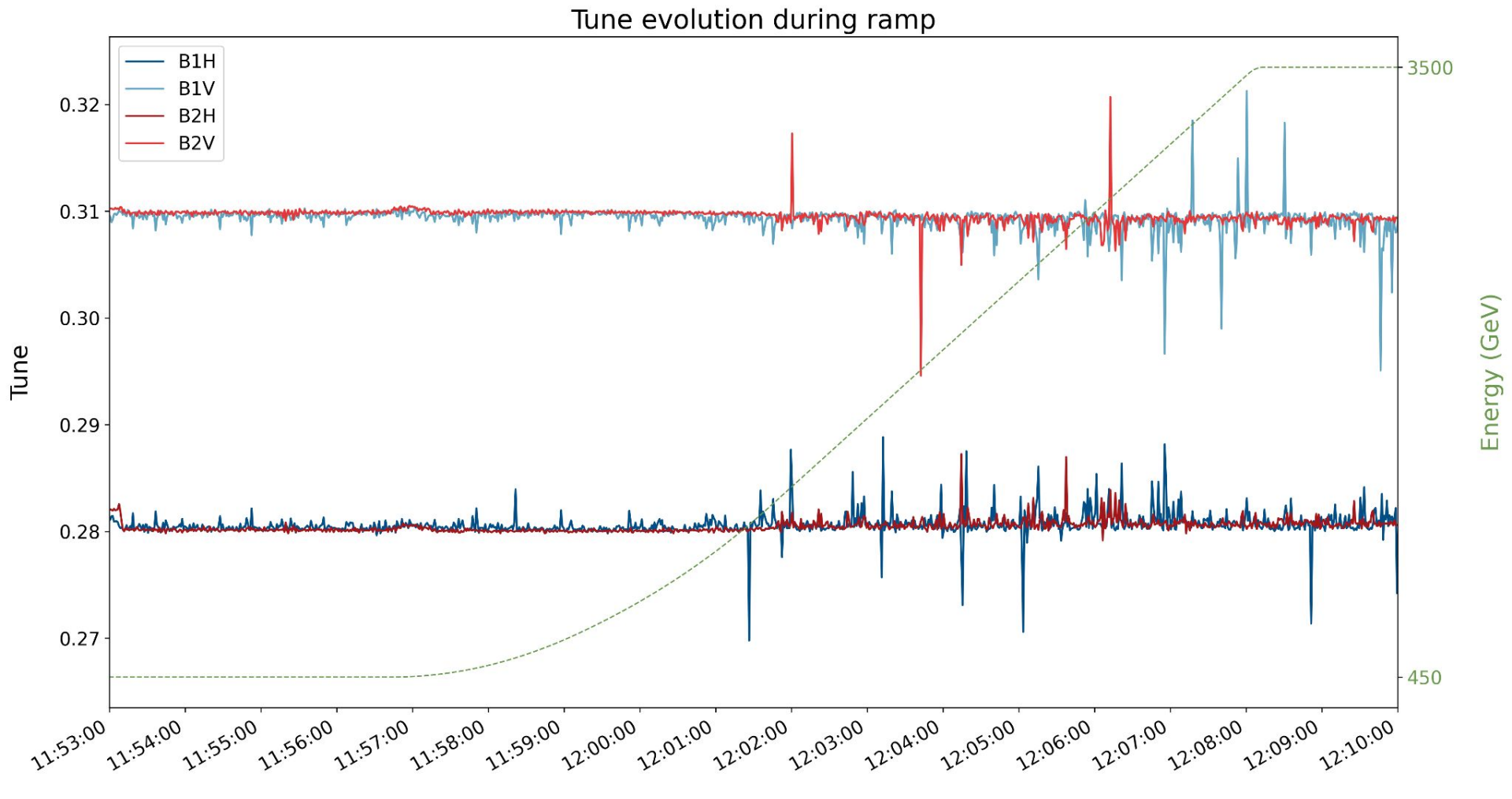
Tune evolution during ramp
B1H
B1V
B2H
B2V
Tune
0.32
0.31
0.30
0.29
0.28
0.27
3500
450
Energy (GeV)
11:53:00
11:54:00
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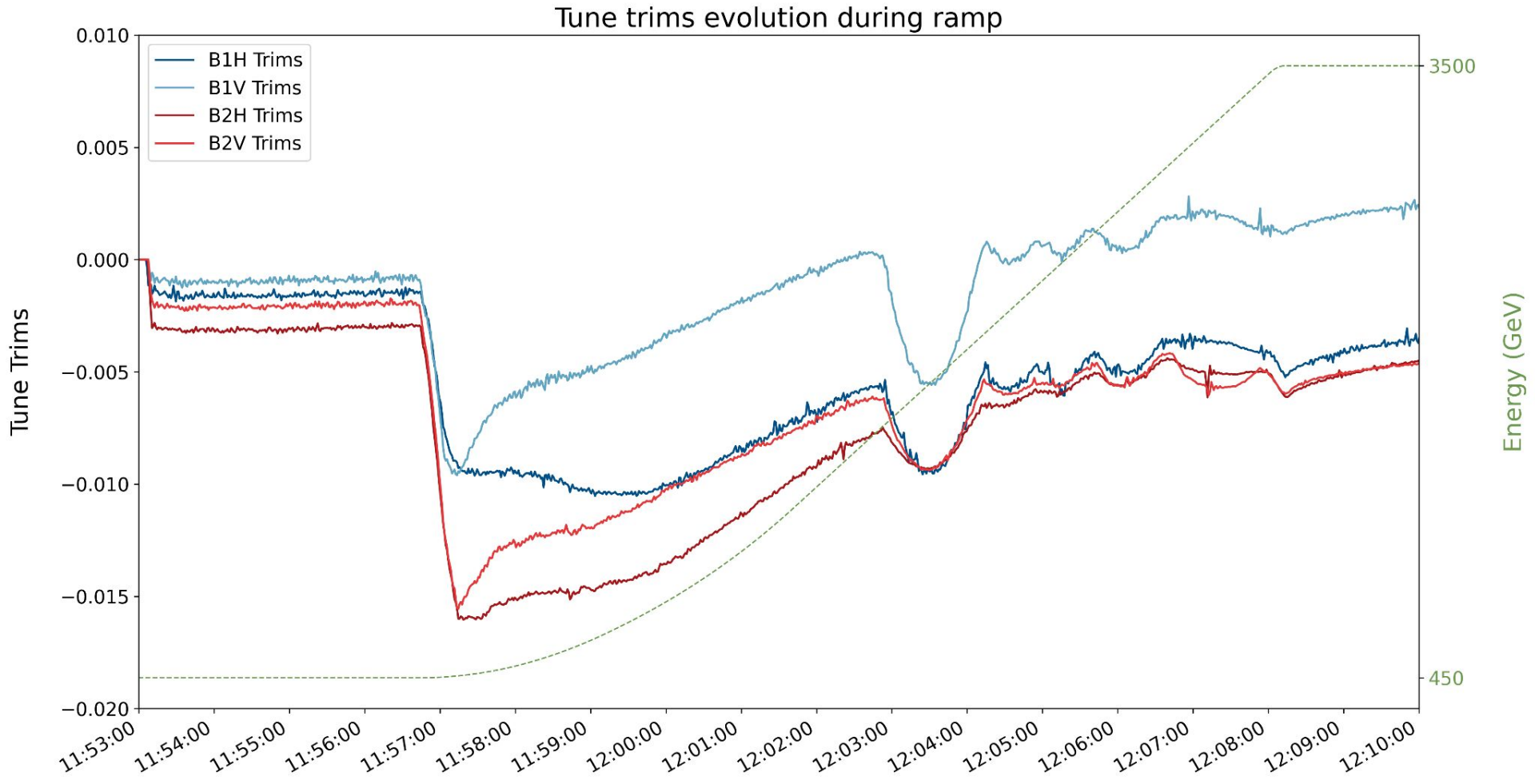
Tune trims evolution during ramp
B1H Trims
B1V Trims
B2H Trims
B2V Trims
Tune Trims
Energy (GeV)
0.010
0.005
0.000
−0.005
−0.010
−0.015
−0.020
3500
450
11:53:00
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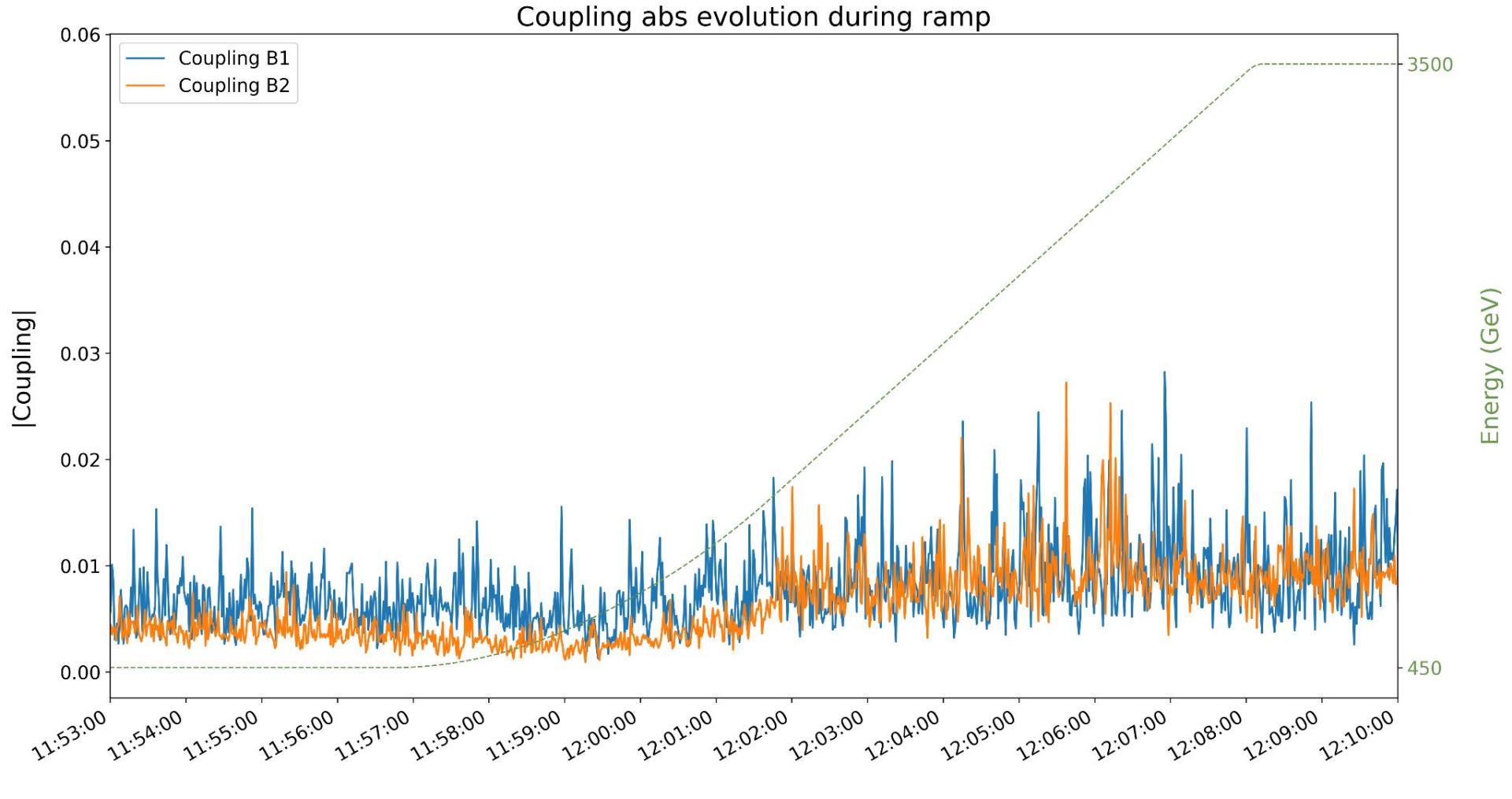
Coupling abs evolution during ramp
Coupling B1
Coupling B2
|Coupling|
Energy (GeV)
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0.05
0.04
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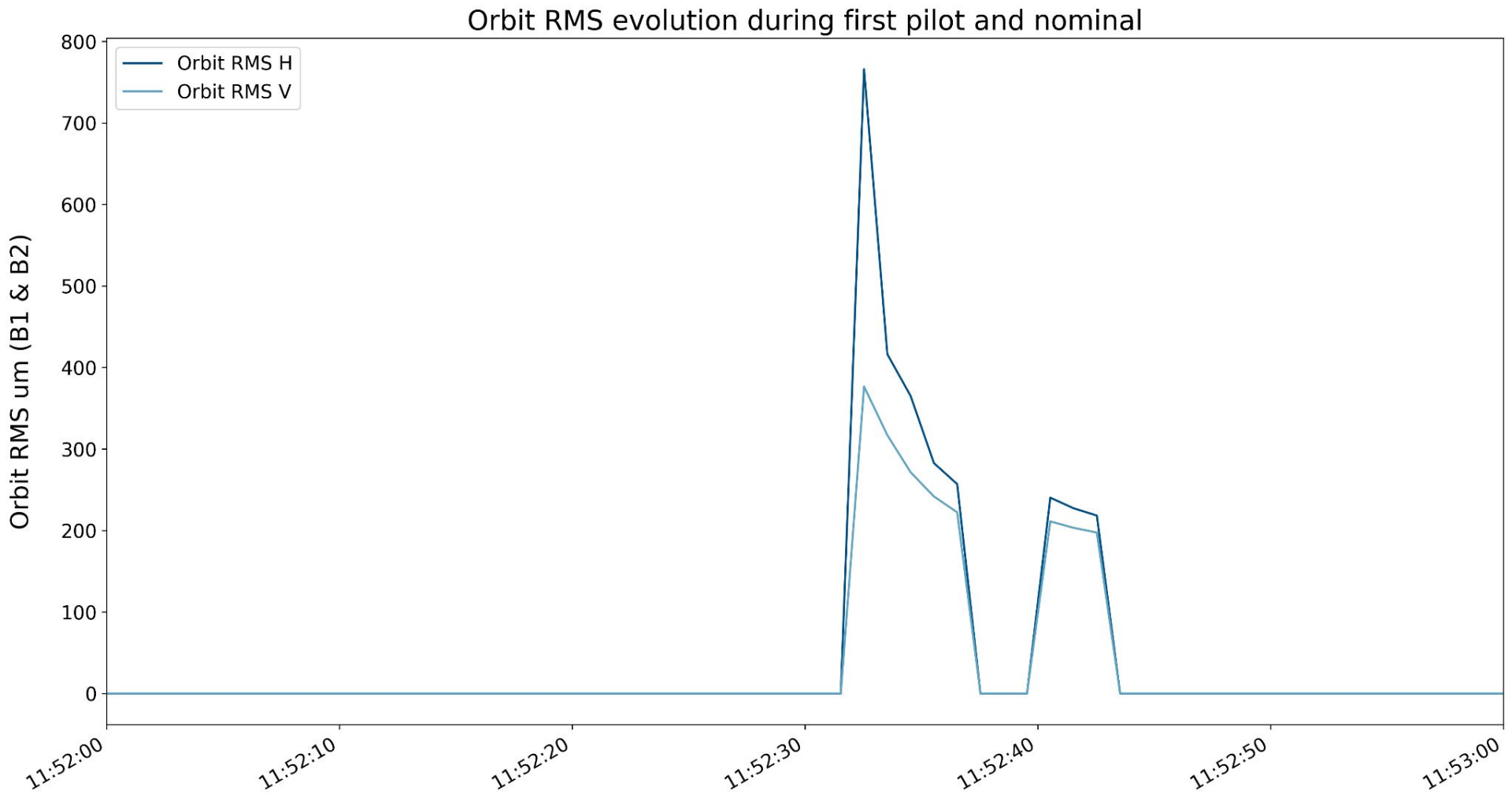
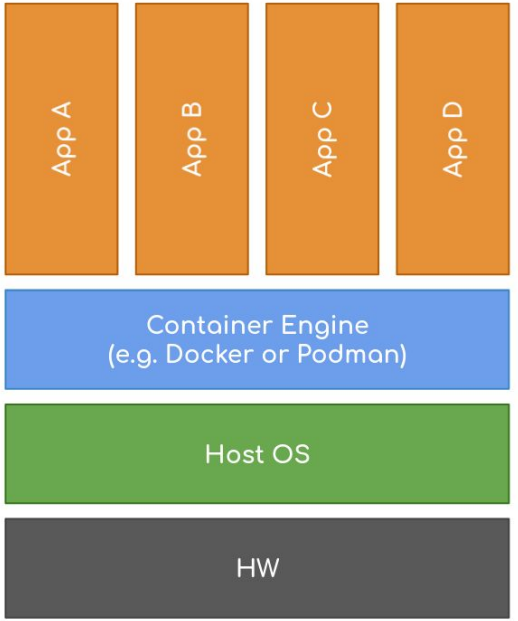

Orbit RMS evolution during first pilot and nominal
Orbit RMS H
Orbit RMS V
Orbit RMS um (B1 & B2)
800
700
600
500
400
300
200
100
0
11:52:00
11:52:10
11:52:20
11:52:30
11:52:40
11:52:50
11:53:00

Container ??

- Isolated environment
  - Apps have their own OS* and environment
  - No dependency on host OS
- Reproducible
  - Work on any OCI-compliant** container engine
- Resource optimization
  - Many heterogeneous app can share HW
- Many more features…
  - … orchestration, scaling, blue/green updates, …
  - … not in the scope of this project



* Host OS kernel is shared → low performance impact vs full VM

** Open Container Initiative → makes containers portable

Another test example

```
@Test
public void arm_validRefOrbitTimeEvolution_shouldPlay() {
   RefOrbitTimeEvolution refOrbitTimeEvolution = ...
   sendRefOrbitTimeEvolution(refOrbitTimeEvolution);
   ...
   sendFunctionPlayerEvent(ARM);
   awaitState(functionPlayerState(), ARMED);
   ...
   runWhileSendingOrbitTriggersEvery(Duration.ofMillis(80), () -> {
       sendFunctionPlayerEvent(TRIGGER);
       awaitState(functionPlayerState(), RUNNING);
       awaitState(functionPlayerState(), IDLE);
   });
   assertThat(referenceOrbit().get()).isEqualTo(refOrbitT2);
}
```

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