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# Status of FERMI upgrade, RF system development & test

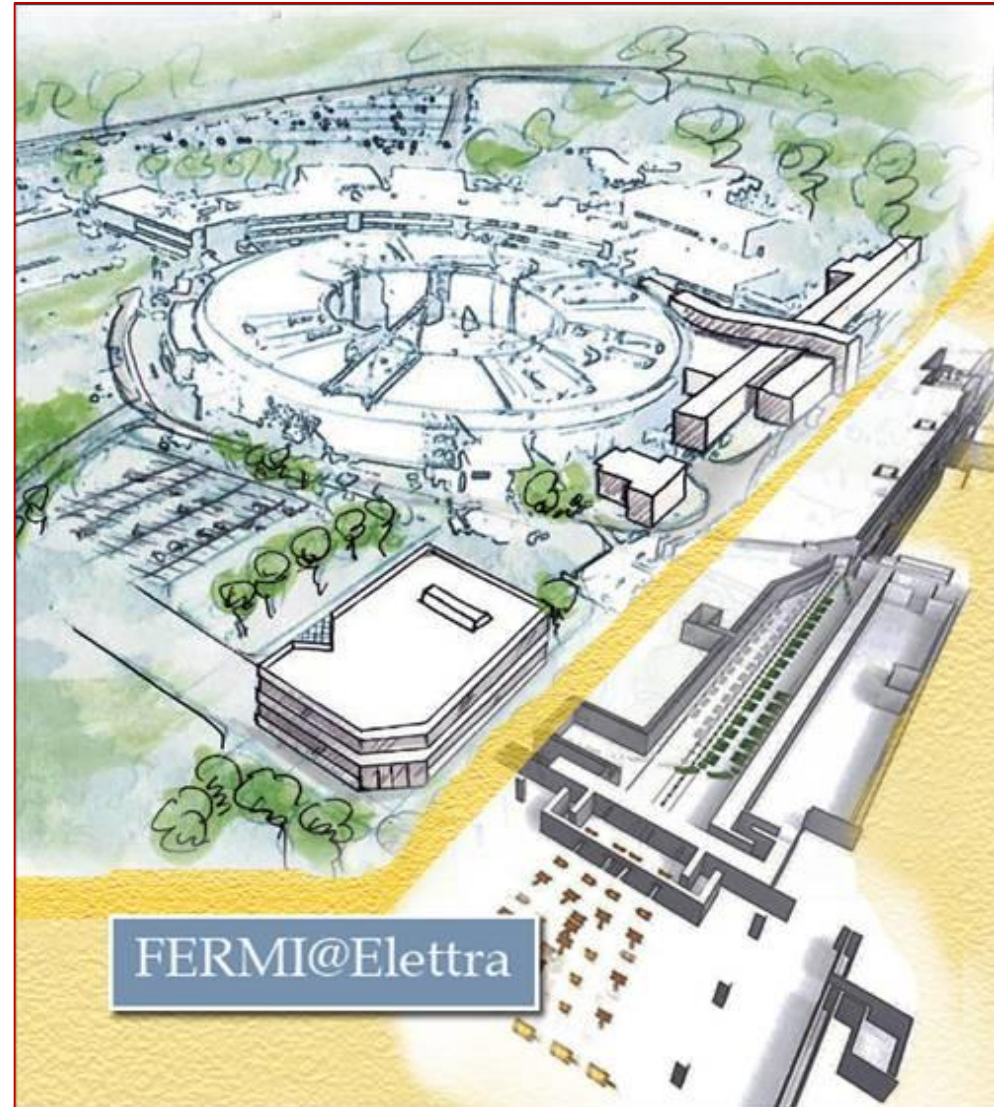
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on behalf of

S-Band RF Systems Team



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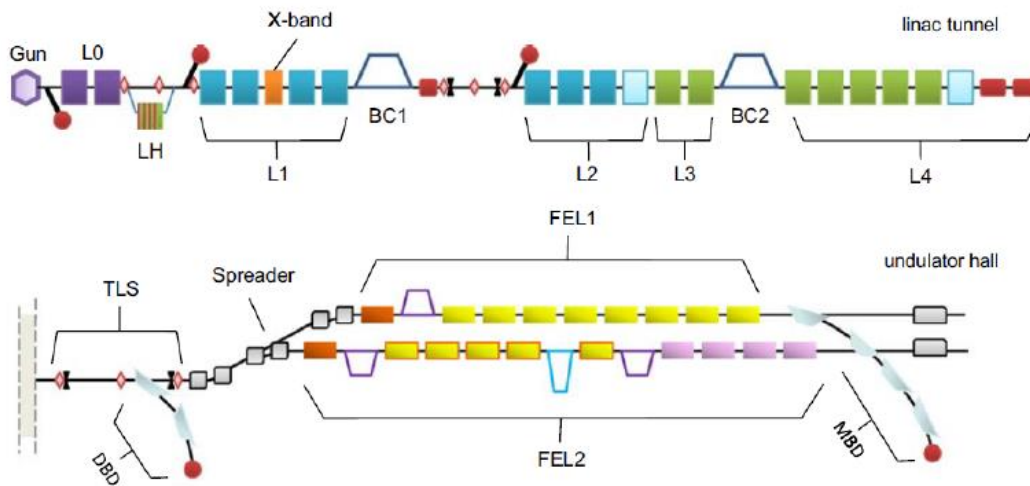




# THE FERMI FEL

The **FERMI** linac-based FEL at the Elettra Laboratory (Trieste, IT) is an international user facility for scientific investigations in material science.

The electron bunches are produced in a laser-driven photo-injector and accelerated, with a **3-GHz, normal conducting Linac**, to energies up to **1.5 GeV**,



The FERMI facility comprises two separate coherent radiation sources, **FEL-1** and **FEL-2**.

**FEL-1** operates in the wavelength range between **100 and 20 nm** via a single cascade harmonic generation, while the **FEL-2** is designed to operate at shorter wavelengths (**20-4 nm**) via a double cascade mechanism.

# THE FERMI LINEAR ACCELERATOR

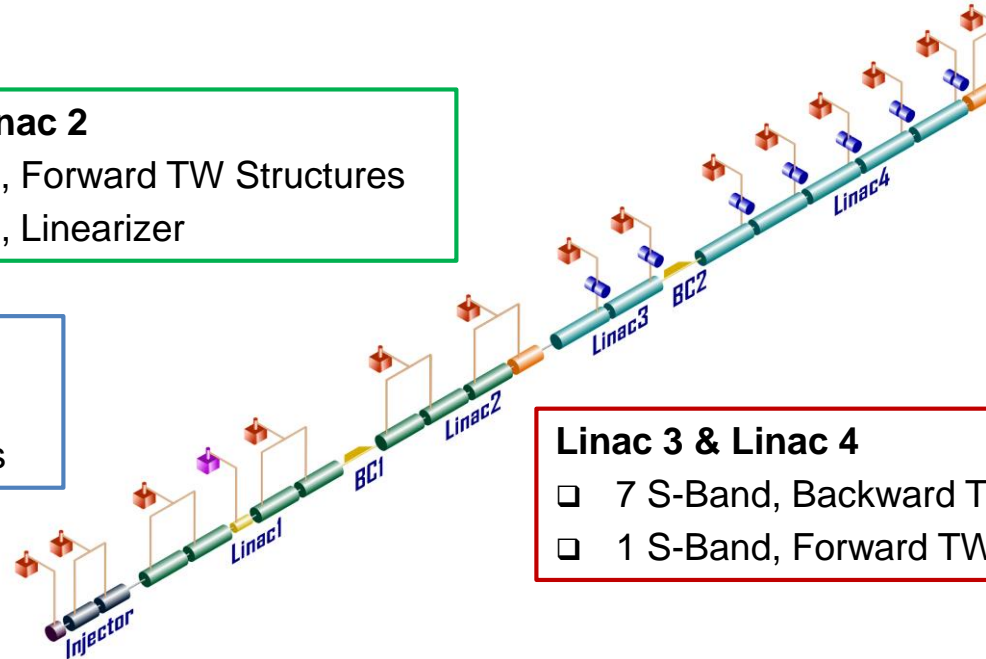
The **FERMI Linac** is a S-Band (3 GHz), **1.5 GeV** normal conducting, linear accelerator.

## Linac 1 & Linac 2

- ❑ 8 S-Band, Forward TW Structures
- ❑ 1 X-Band, Linearizer

## Injector:

- ❑ 1 S-Band, RF Gun
- ❑ 2 S-Band, Forward TW structures



## Linac 3 & Linac 4

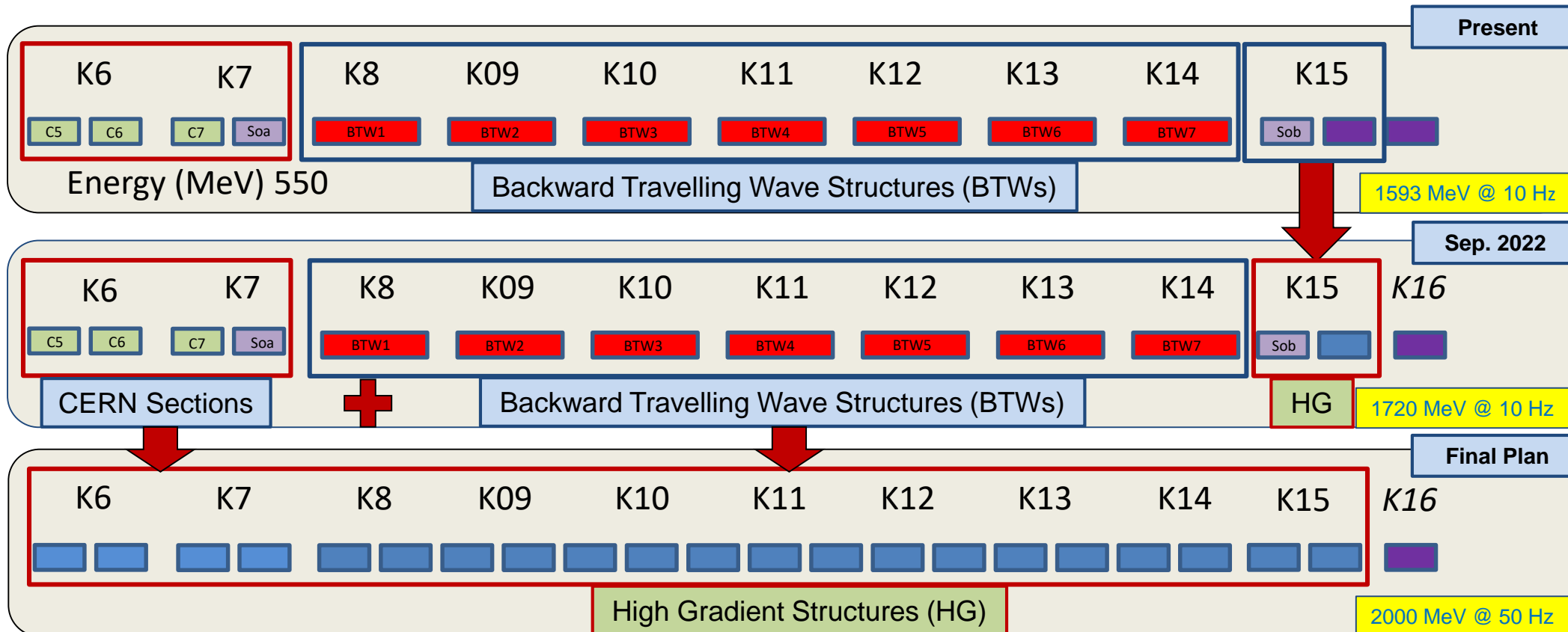
- ❑ 7 S-Band, Backward TW Structures
- ❑ 1 S-Band, Forward TW structure

- **Power Sources:** 45 MW peak power, 4.5  $\mu$ s pulse width, Klystron
- **Linac 1 & Linac 2:** one klystron feeds two FTW accelerating structures
- **Linac 3 & Linac 4:** one klystron feed one BTW accelerating structure

In order to reach a beam energy of **2.0 GeV**, all the BTW structures will be replaced & all the CERN sections will be pushed to higher gradient operation

# THE FERMI FEL UPGRADE PLAN BEAM ENERGY UPGRADE

- ❑ To reduce pulse duration to the sub-10 fs range to resolve charge transfer processes, bond dynamics, vibrational dynamics
- ❑ To extend photon energy range to N (410 eV), O (543 eV) which translates to the extension of operating of FERMI to ~2 nm.

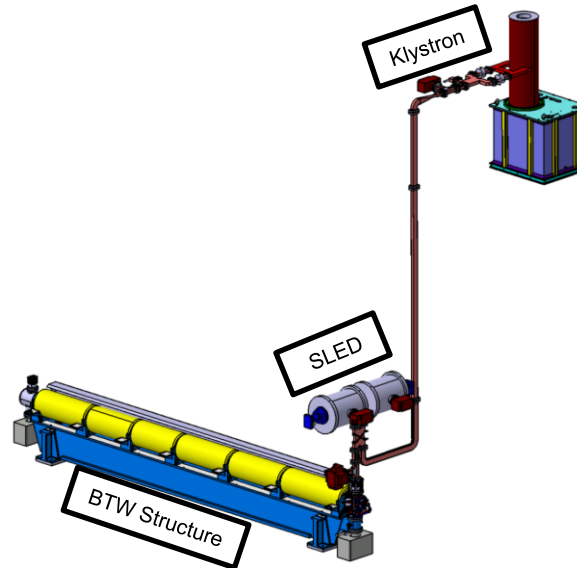




# FERMI LINAC UPGRADE PALN ACC. SECTIONS TO BE REPLACED

## CERN Sections

- ❑ Developed as injector of LEP Injector Linac (LIL) in **1984**
- ❑ One **45 MW** klystron feeds two 4,5 m CERN sections.
- ❑ Accelerating gradient is **12,6 MV/m.**
- ❑ **Three** out of seven CERN sections would be replaced by HG structures

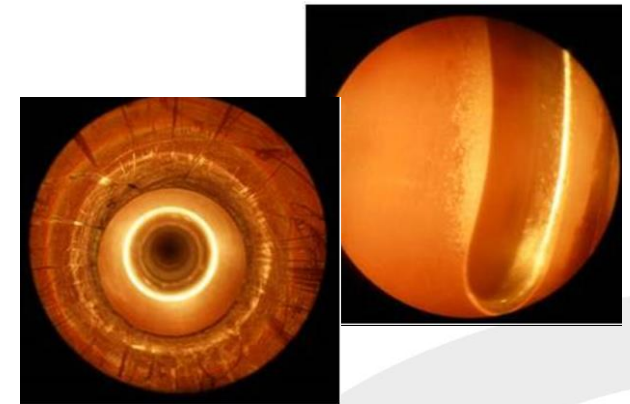


## Backward Travelling Wave Sections

- ❑ Designed specifically for FERMI
- ❑ Each BTW section is fed by **45 MW** klystron followed by **SLED**.
- ❑ Suffer from frequent breakdowns and are limited to **18,0 MV/m at 50 Hz**
- ❑ **All seven** would be replaced by HG structures

## S0a and S0b Sections

- ❑ Came from the old Elettra injector.
- ❑ One **45 MW** klystron feeds two 3,2 m S sections.
- ❑ Accelerating gradient is **15,0 MV/m.**
- ❑ **Both S0a and S0b** would be replaced by HG structures



Parameter	S0A-S0B	C1-C7	S1-S7
Mode	TW2/3 $\pi$	TW 2/3 $\pi$	BTW3/4 $\pi$
Frequency (MHz)	2998.01	2998.01	2998.01
Total length (m)	3.2	4.5	6.15
Filling time ( $\mu$ s)	0.903	1.5	0.757
Attenuation (Np)	0.603	0.7	0.611
Acc. gradient (MV/m)	15.8	13.1	23.6
Energy gain (MeV)	50	60	145



# THE FERMI UPGRADE PROPOSAL

TO EXTEND THE RANGE TO SHORTER WAVELENGTH UP TO 2 nm

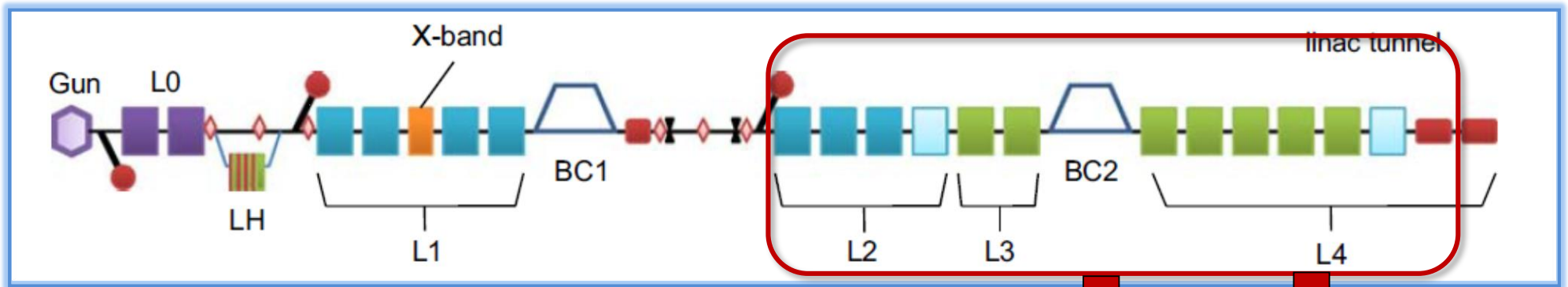
Actual Linac Energy  
**1.5 GeV @ 10Hz**



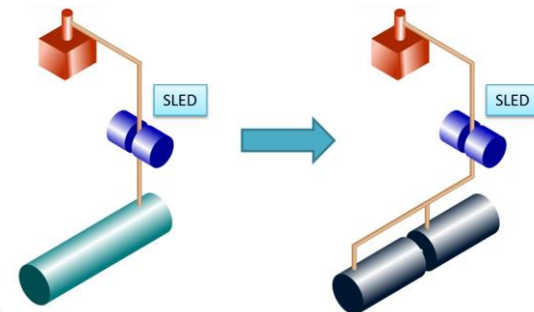
Target Linac Energy  
**2.0 GeV @ 50Hz**



Solution  
**High Gradient 30MV/m**



Replace 12 acc. sections + one deflector with 10 HG modules



Energy budget of upgraded linac

Total Energy (MeV) =  $2 \times RI + 4 \times CERN + 20 \times HG$

Total Energy (MeV) =  $2 \times 50 \text{ MeV} + 4 \times 57 \text{ MeV} + 20 \times 90 \text{ MeV}$

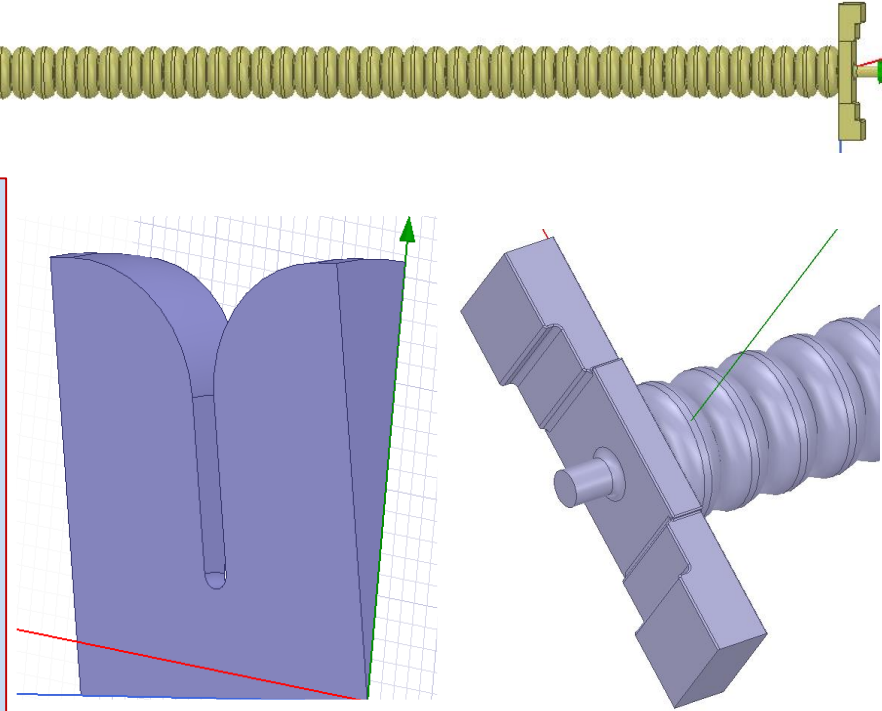
**Total Energy (MeV) = 2128**

**It means we can operate HG sections at 28 MV/m**



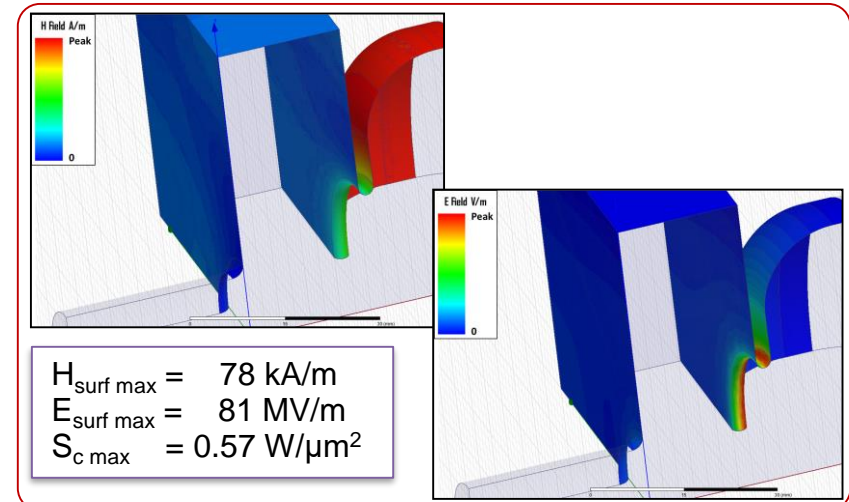
# NEW ACCELERATING MODULE

- ❑ The new accelerating module will be comprised of 3.0 m long, **constant gradient type** structures. **Double rounding** is introduced to reduce Ohmic losses and increase Q
- ❑ A customized version of **dual-fed-electric coupled (EC) coupler** is chosen for the new high gradient (HG) structures
  - ❑ Very low surface magnetic field
  - ❑ Easy to machine
  - ❑ Reduced cost of fabrication



Structure RF Parameters		
L	2988.3	mm
N <sub>cell</sub>	84	
a	11.13 → 8.8	mm
R <sub>sh</sub>	72.07 → 80.70	MΩ/m
Q <sub>0</sub>	15850	
Filling Time	644.8	ns
Attenuation	0.383	Neper

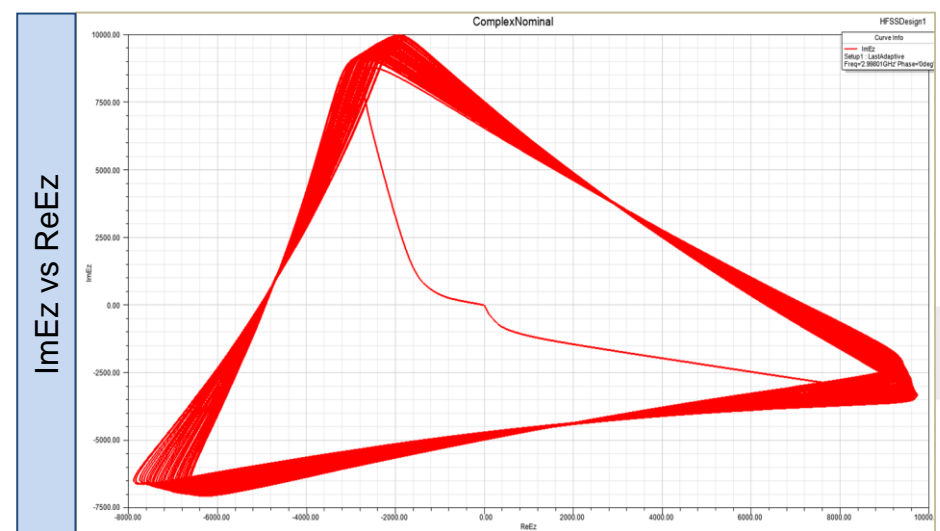
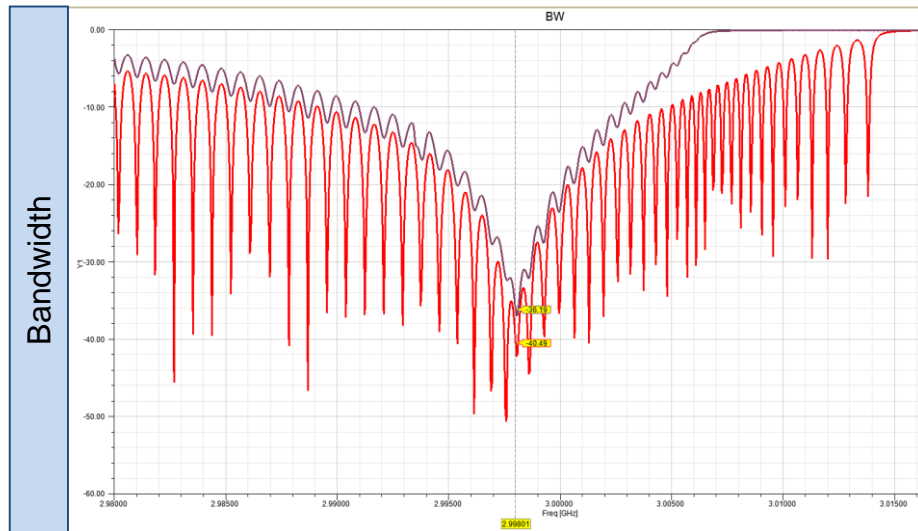
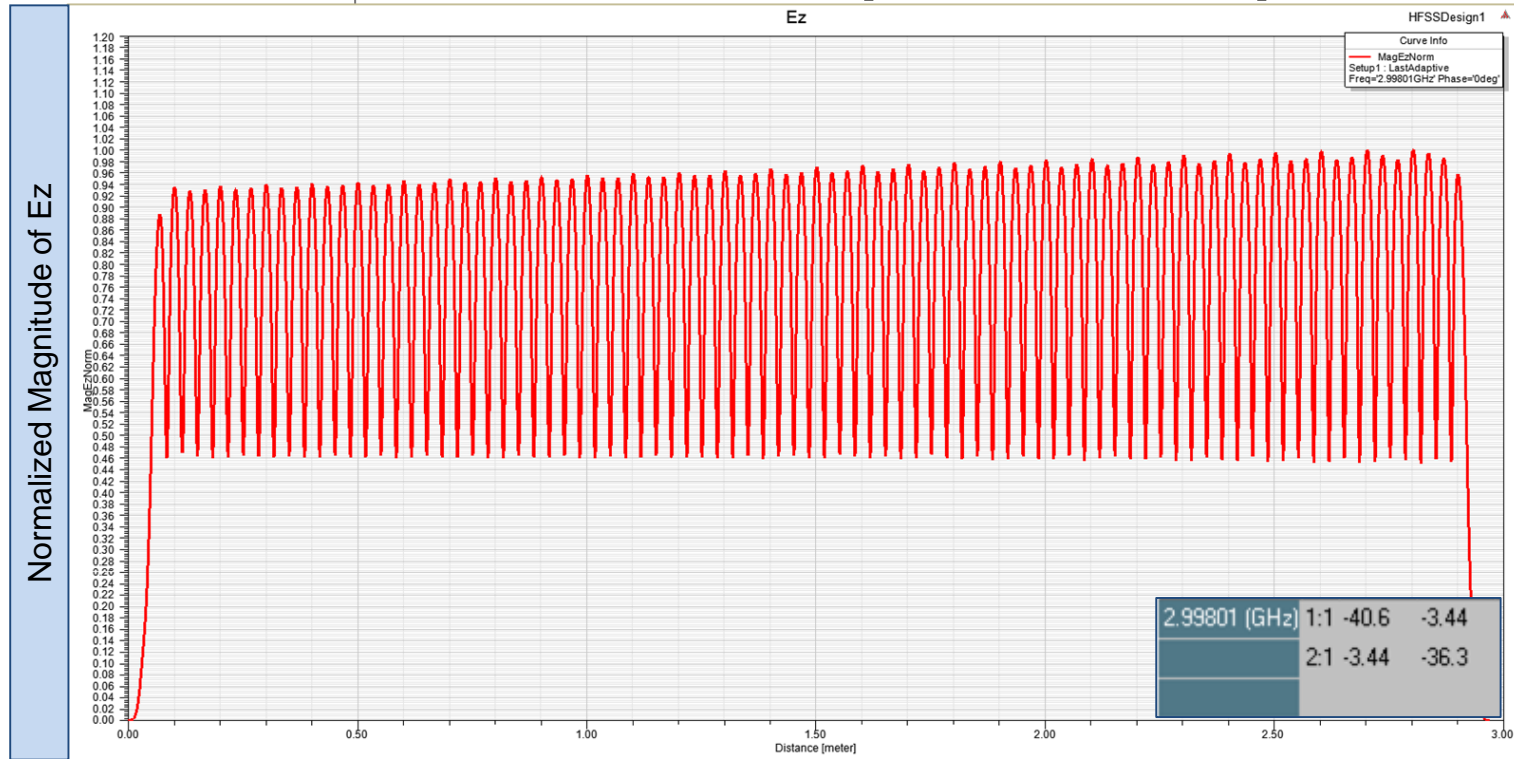
Coupler RF Parameters		
	Input Coupler	Output Coupler
E <sub>surf</sub> [MV/m]	78	82
H <sub>surf</sub> [kA/m]	69	71
S <sub>c</sub> [MW/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	0,47	0,39
k <sub>q</sub> [V/ms]	1956	1319





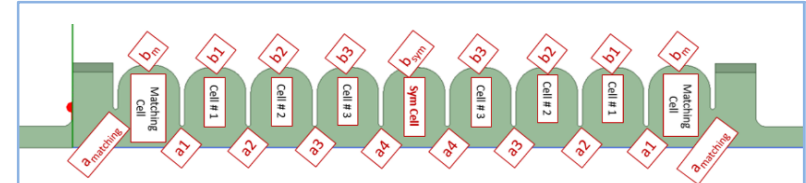
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# RF ANALYSIS OF FULL HG STRUCTURE (3.0 METER)

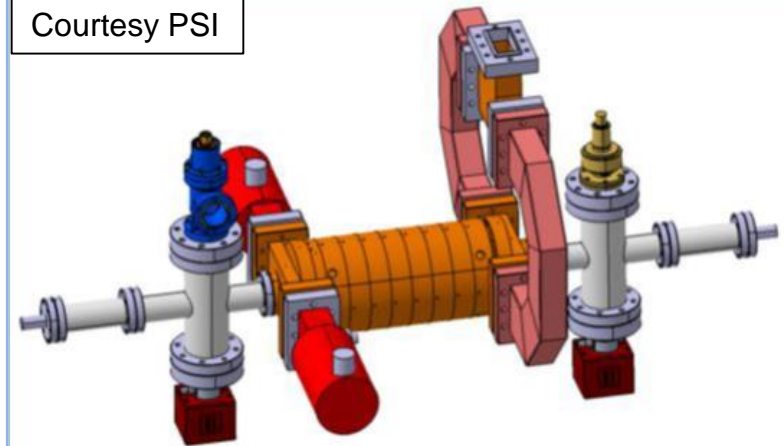


# PSI PROTOTYPE FACTORY ACCEPTANCE TEST

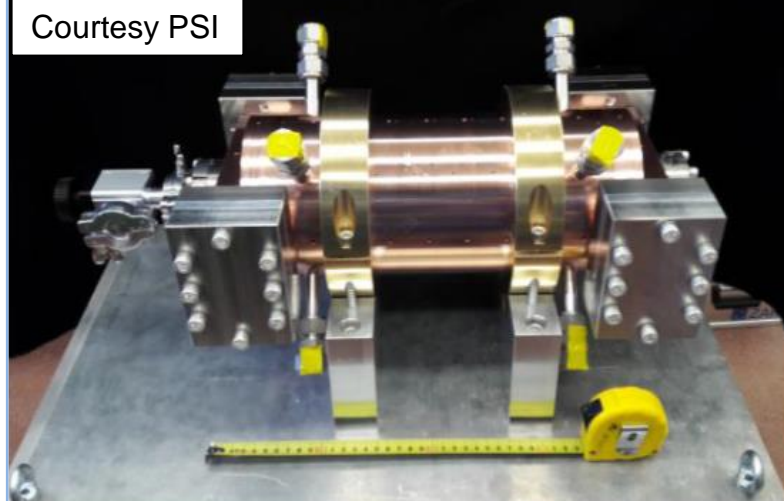
- ❑ To prove the reliability and the feasibility of the upgrade plan, a short prototype has been built in collaboration with Paul Scherrer Institute (PSI).
- ❑ The prototype is realized using the same structure technology as developed for SwissFEL
- ❑ The prototype is made by 7 regular cells & 2 EC-couplers.
- ❑ Cells & couplers are realized with ultra-high precision with tolerance of +/- 4µm.
- ❑ Prototype is machined on tune.



Courtesy PSI



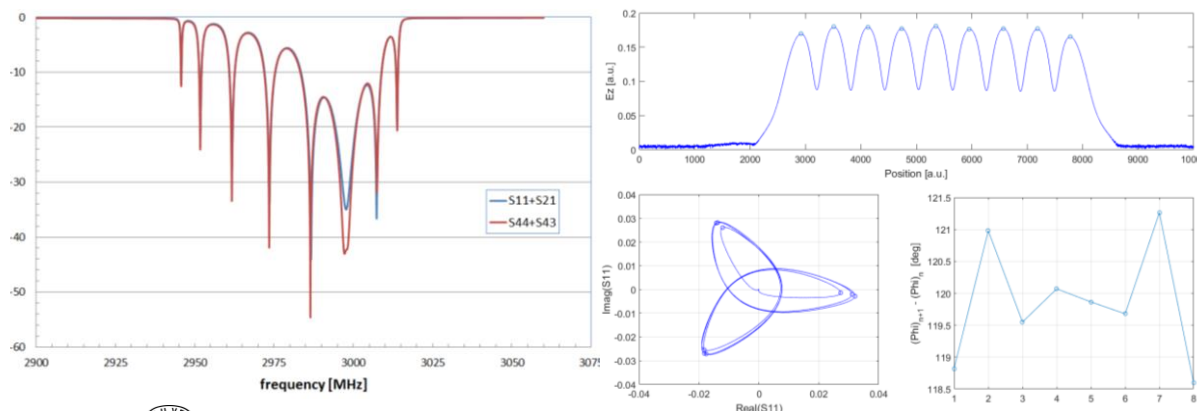
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Short HG Prototype

## RF measurements and bead-pull test at PSI

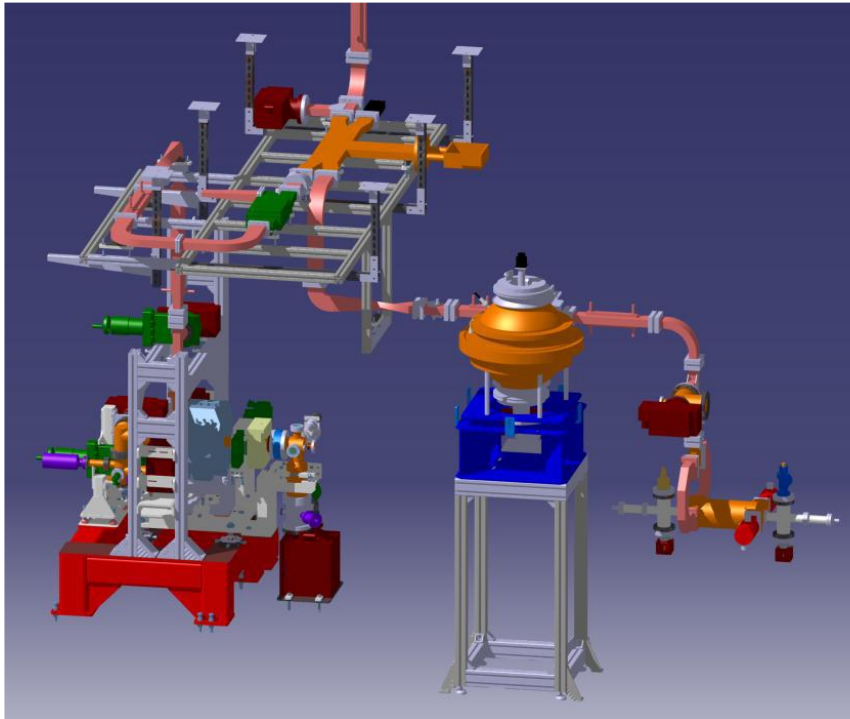
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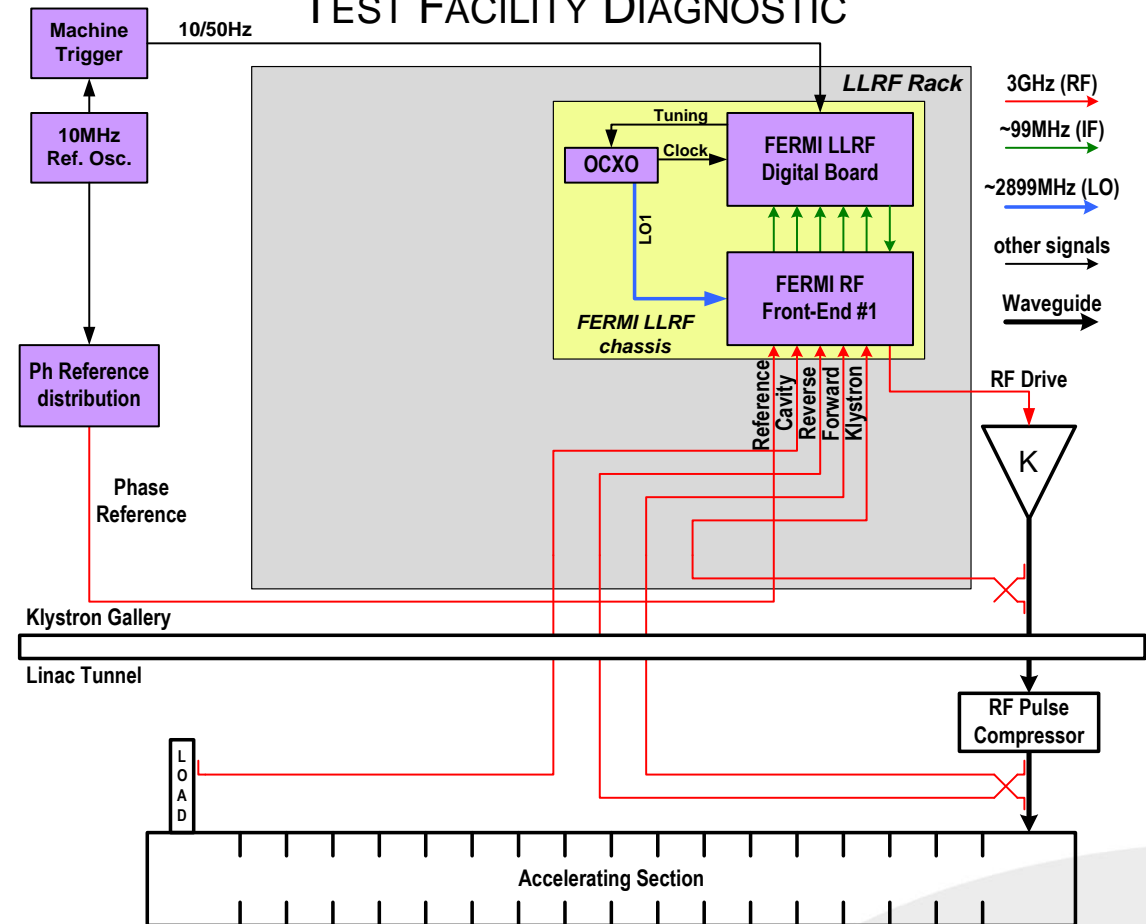
# FERMI CAVITY TEST FACILITY

FERMI linac stations hot spare, has been upgraded to act also as a complete S-Band RF Cavity Test Facility (CTF)

## TEST FACILITY @ ELETTRA



## TEST FACILITY DIAGNOSTIC

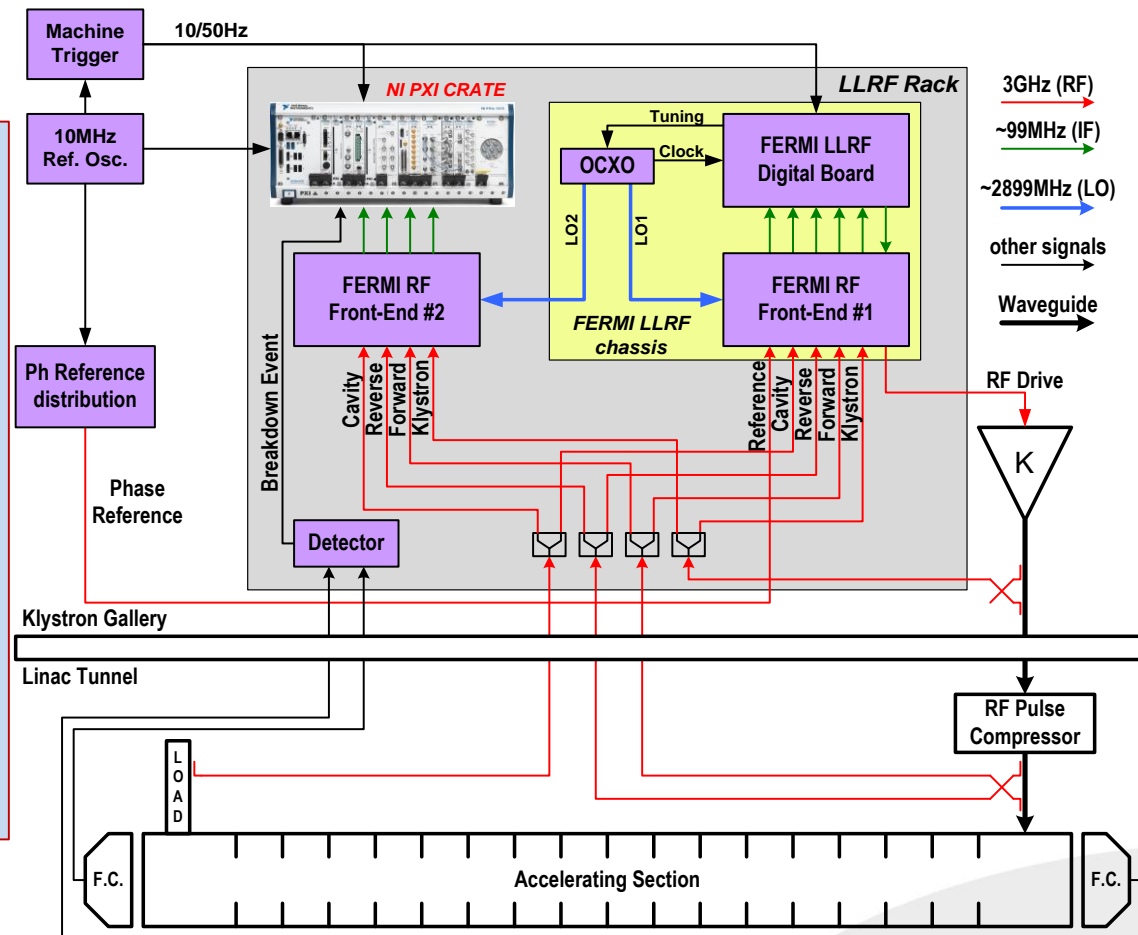


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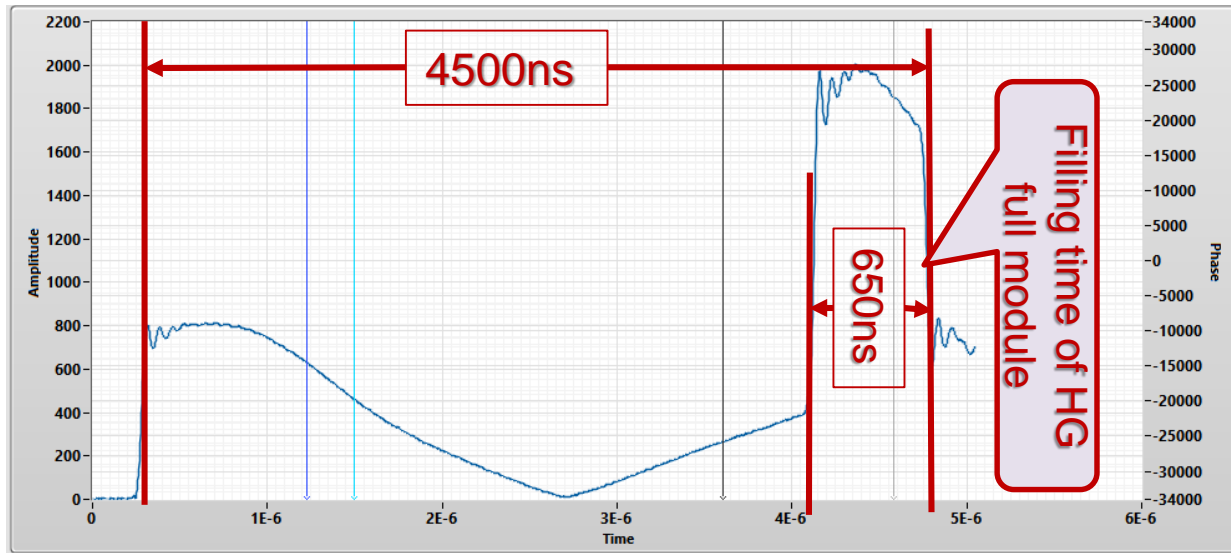
## TEST FACILITY @ ELETTRA

- ❑ Test of Standing Wave structures/RF Guns to 25MW peak power.
- ❑ Test of Travelling Wave structures & RF components up to 150 MW peak power.
- ❑ Hardware for breakdown diagnostic is subset of CERN breakdown diagnostic
- ❑ National Instrument (NI) hardware is integrated with FERMI LLRF for breakdown rate measurements and localization

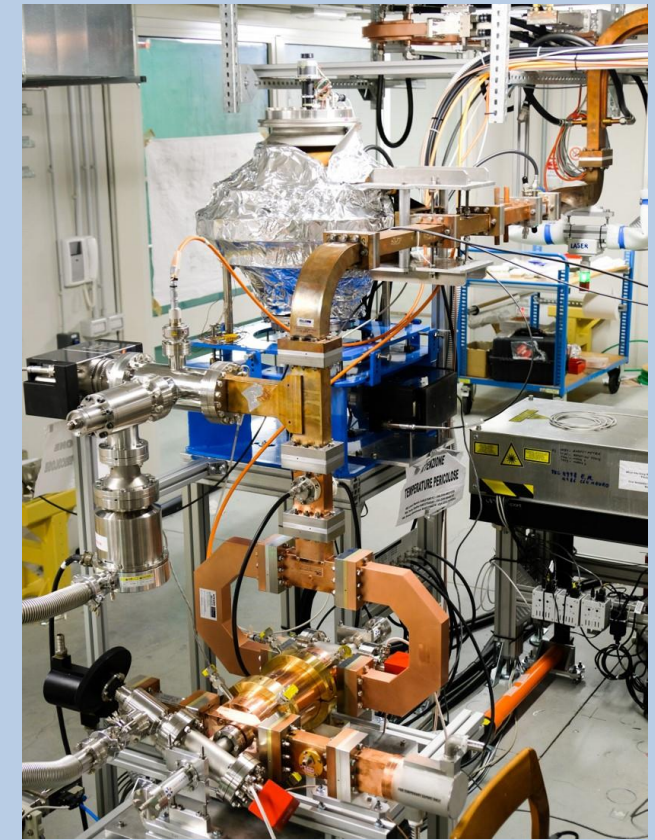


# COMPLETE CONDITIONING HISTORY

Acc. Gradient (MV/m)	PWR @ Ptype (MW)	Start Date	End Date	# of Pulses (Million)	BDR (bpp)
30	72	01-06-2018	07-11-2018	225	$2.0 \times 10^{-8}$
35	98	30-01-2019	21-05-2019	229	$7.3 \times 10^{-8}$
39*	122**	31-08-2019	19-12-2019	400	$7.9 \times 10^{-8}$



During the **Spring Shutdown (April 2018)** the prototype was installed in FERMI Test Facility.

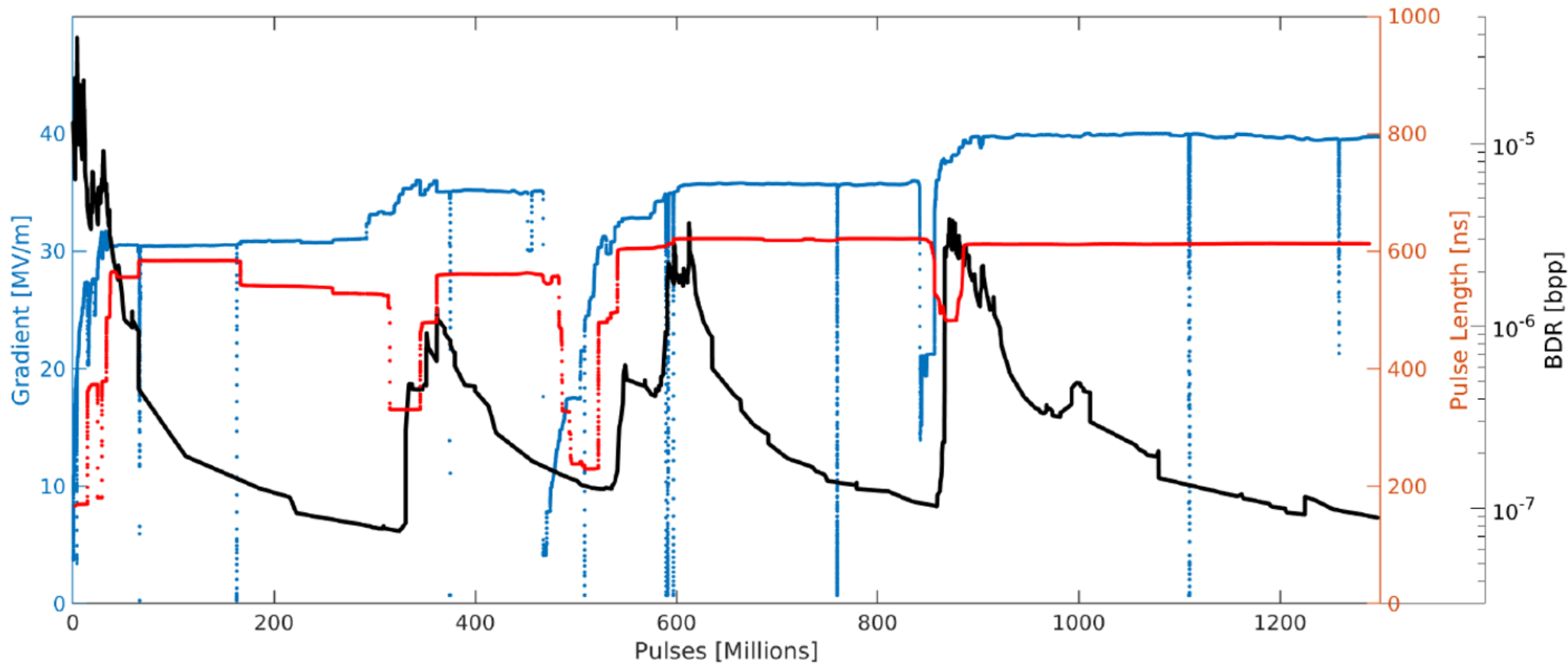


\*Original target was 40MV/m acc. Gradient

\*\* Maximum available power at prototype with full power from Klystron

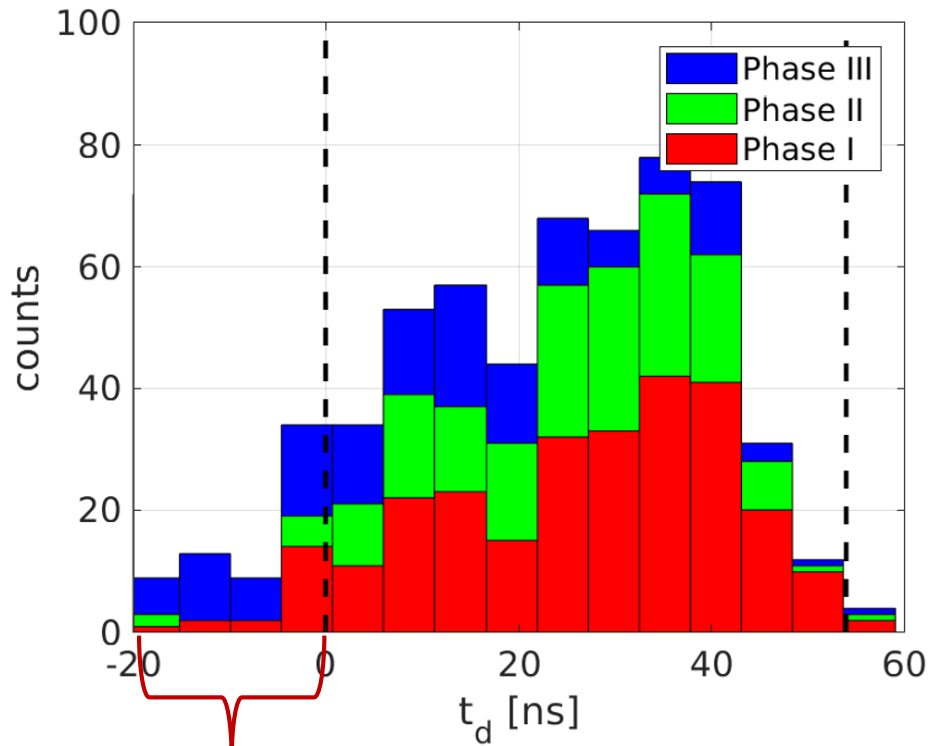


# COMPLETE CONDITIONING HISTORY PLOT

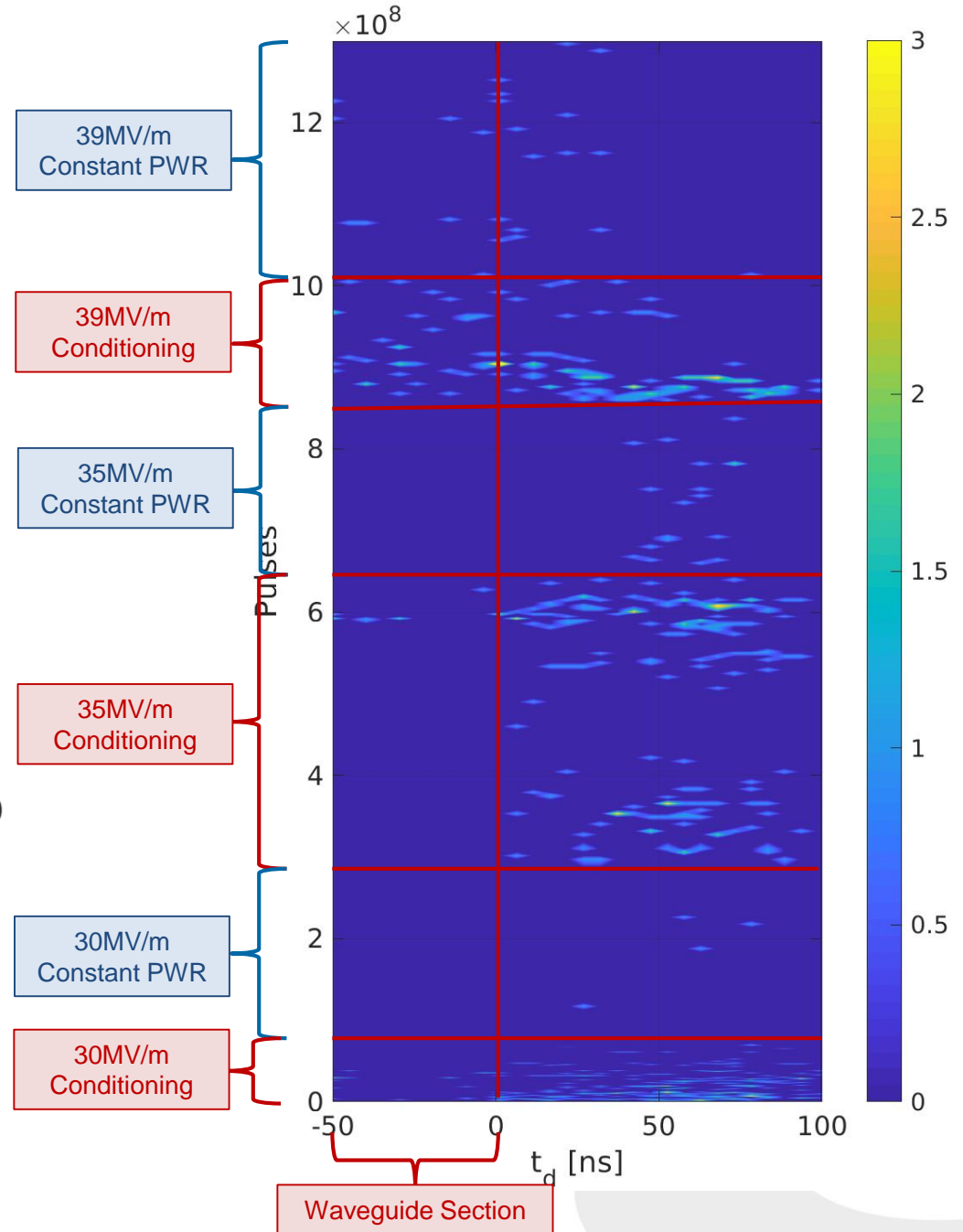




# COMPLETE CONDITIONING BREAKDOWN LOCATIONS



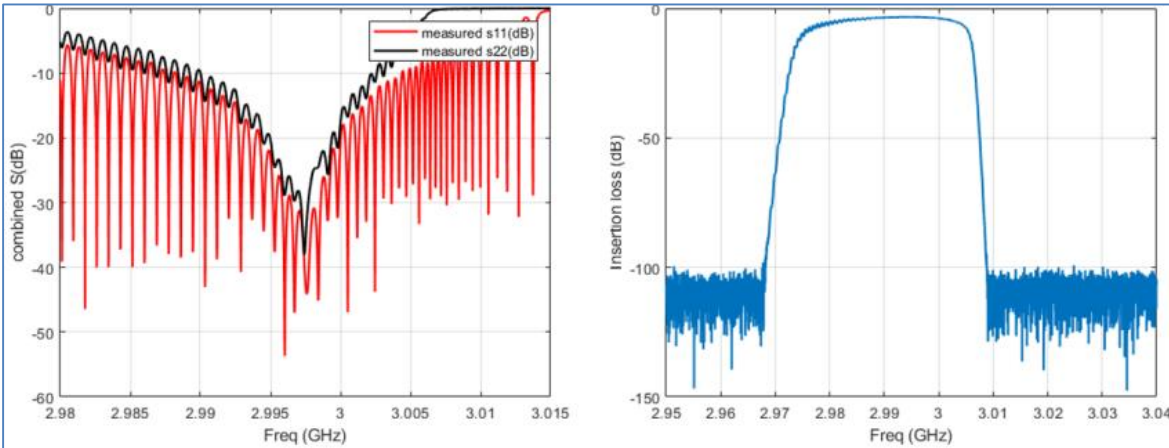
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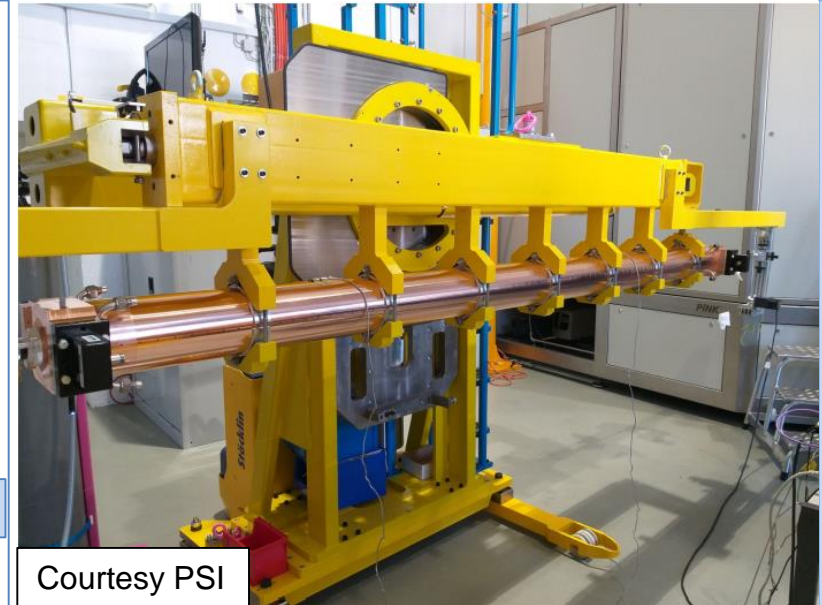
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# FIRST HG STRUCTURE LOW POWER MEASUREMENTS



RF measurements and bead-pull test

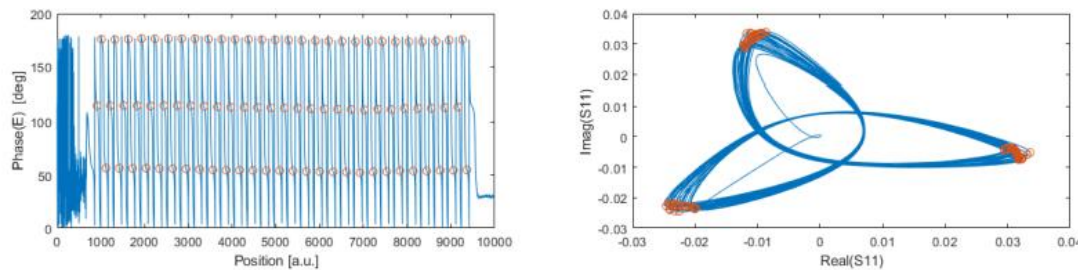
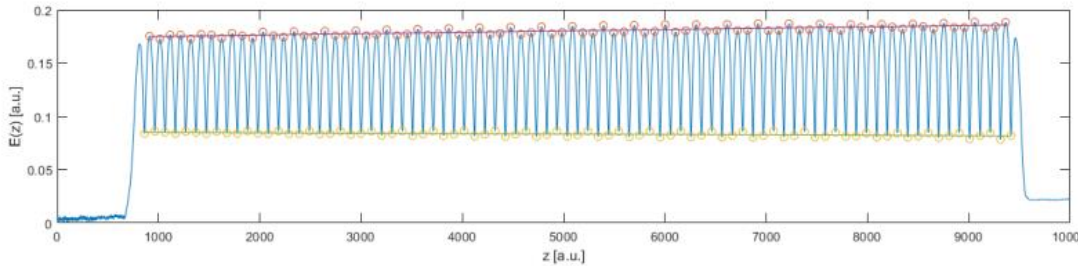


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3,0 m HG Structure



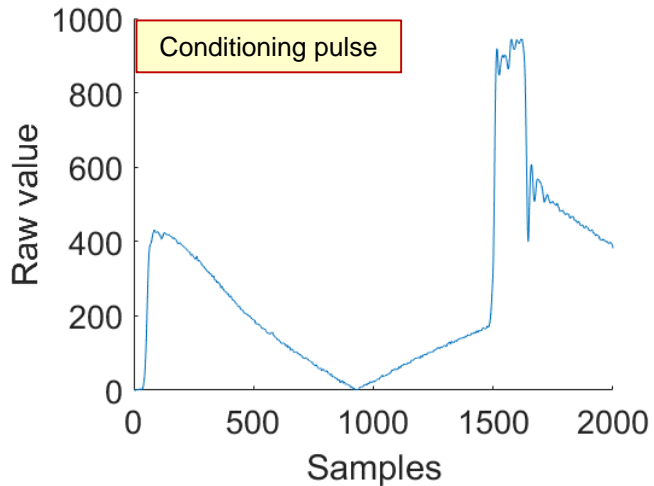
# FIRST HG STRUCTURE CONDITIONING

- ❑ During the **Spring Shutdown (April 2022)** the HG structure was installed in FERMI Test Facility.
- ❑ Preliminary power tests were performed and all diagnostic was properly setup.

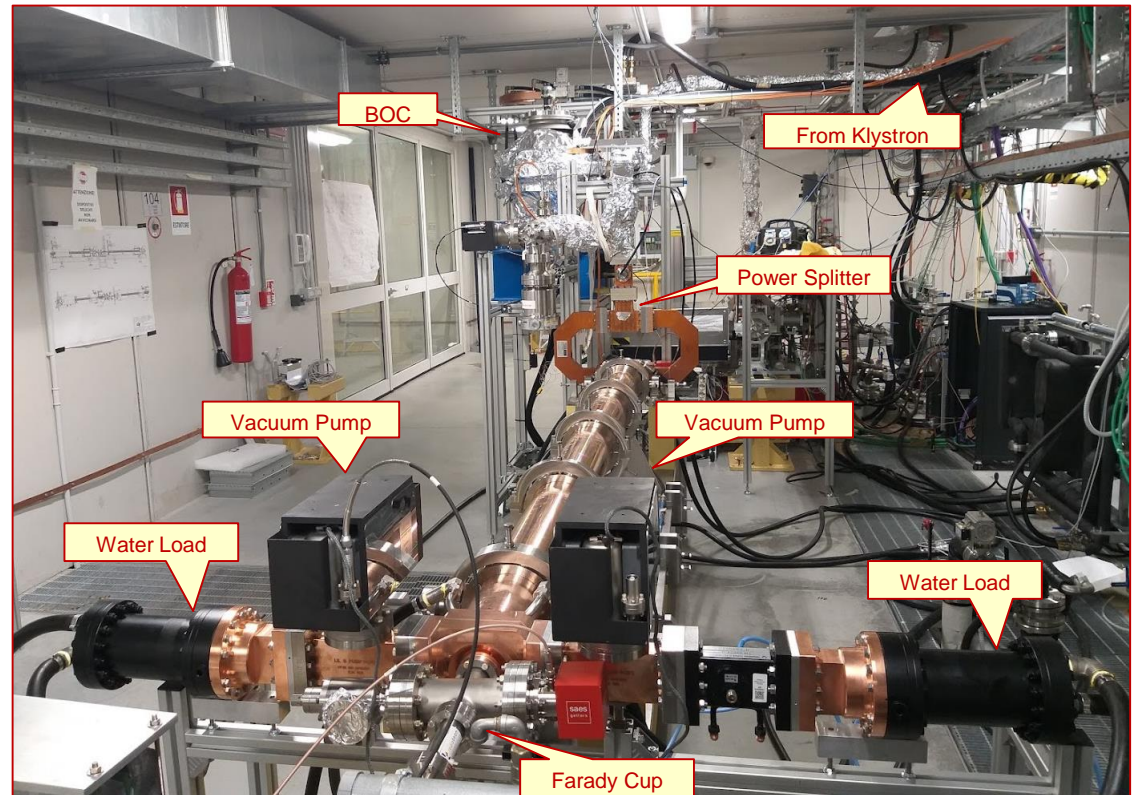
## Conditioning Plan

### Phase 1

- ❑ Rep. Rate: 50 Hz
- ❑ Start Date: 28-04-2022
- ❑ Target:
  - ❑ Pulse Width: 700 ns
  - ❑ Power Level: 75 MW
- ❑ Level Achieved:
  - ❑ Pulse Width: 350 ns
  - ❑ Power Level: 66 MW
  - ❑ # of pulses in million: 1353



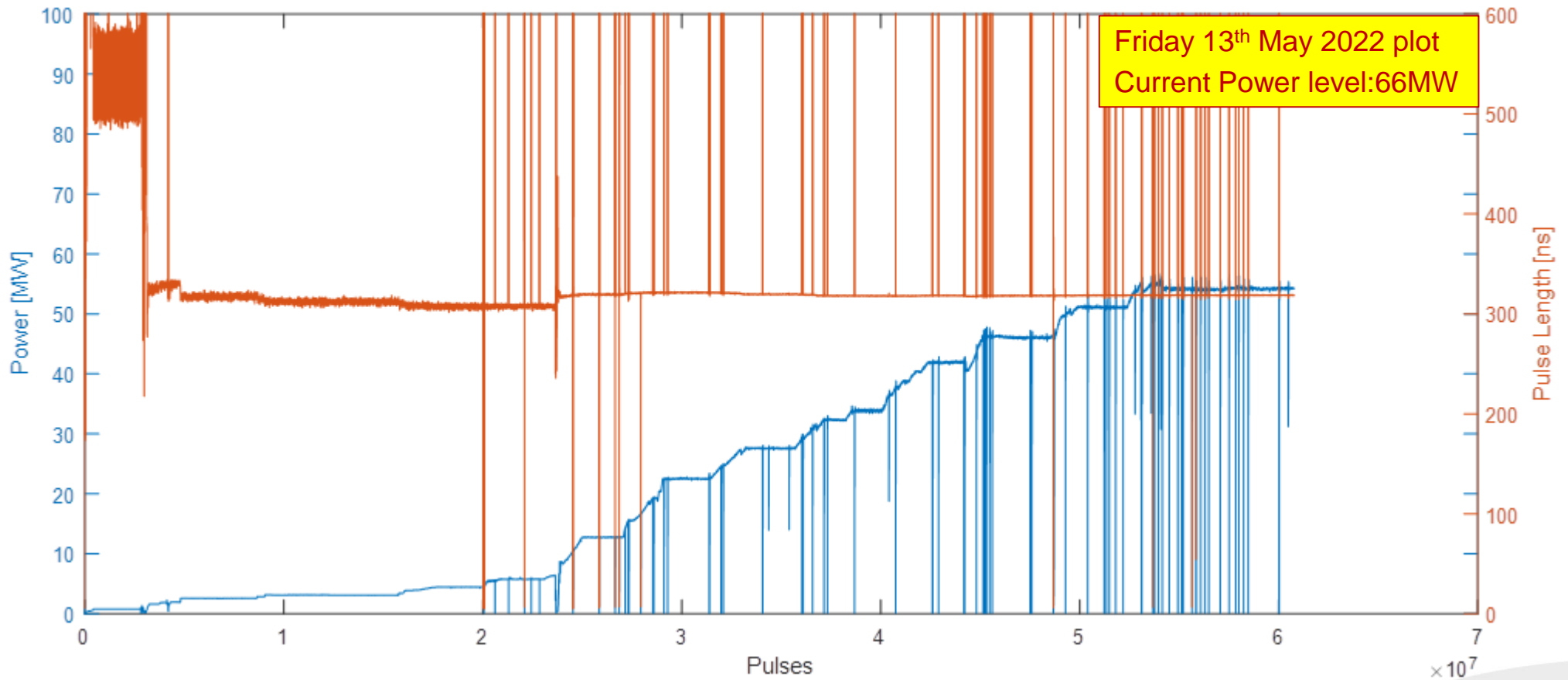
## HG Structure installed at test facility in FRMI Tunnel





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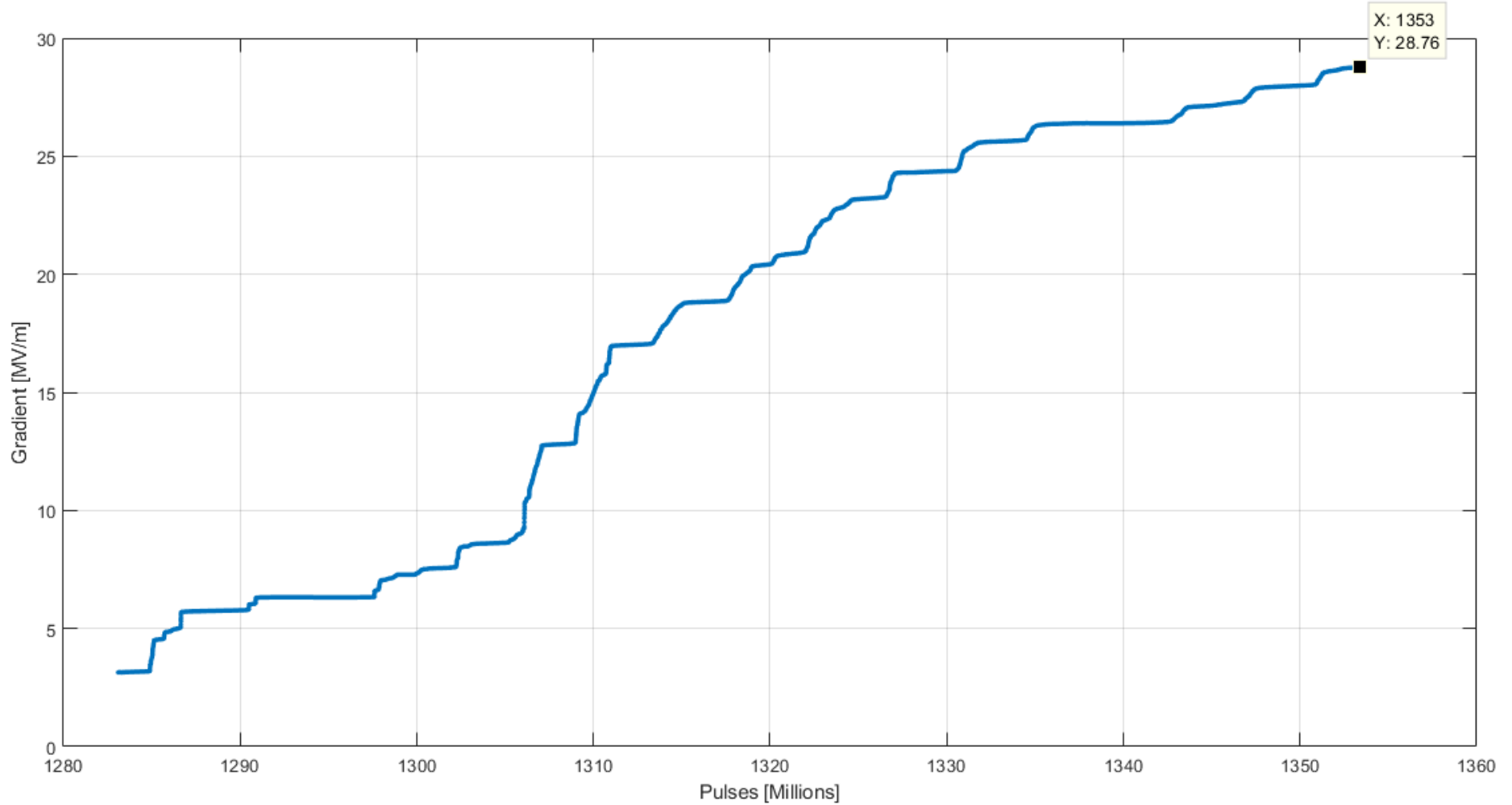
MATLAB conditioning plot (Power curve)





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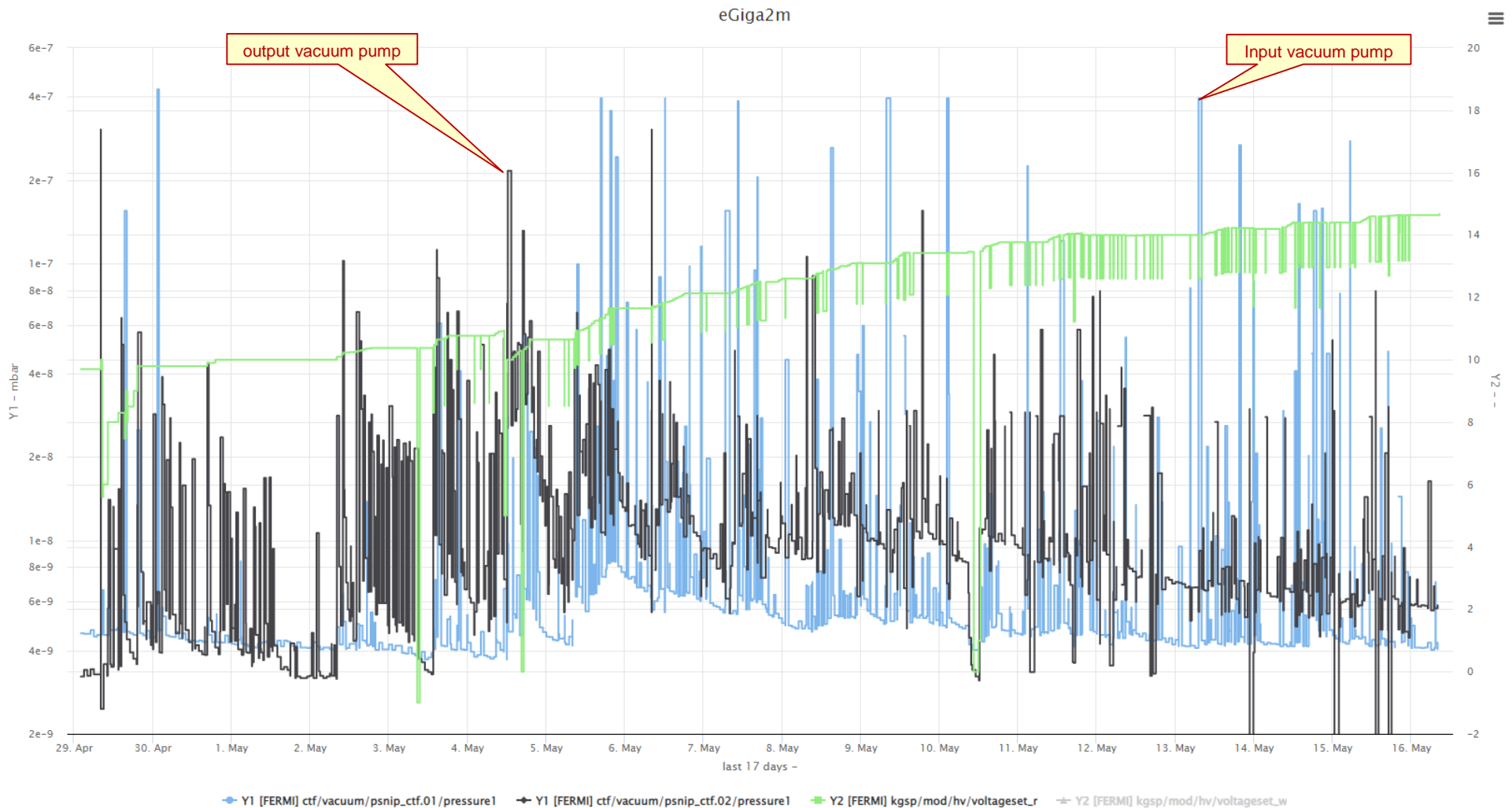
**MATLAB conditioning plot (Accelerating Gradient)**





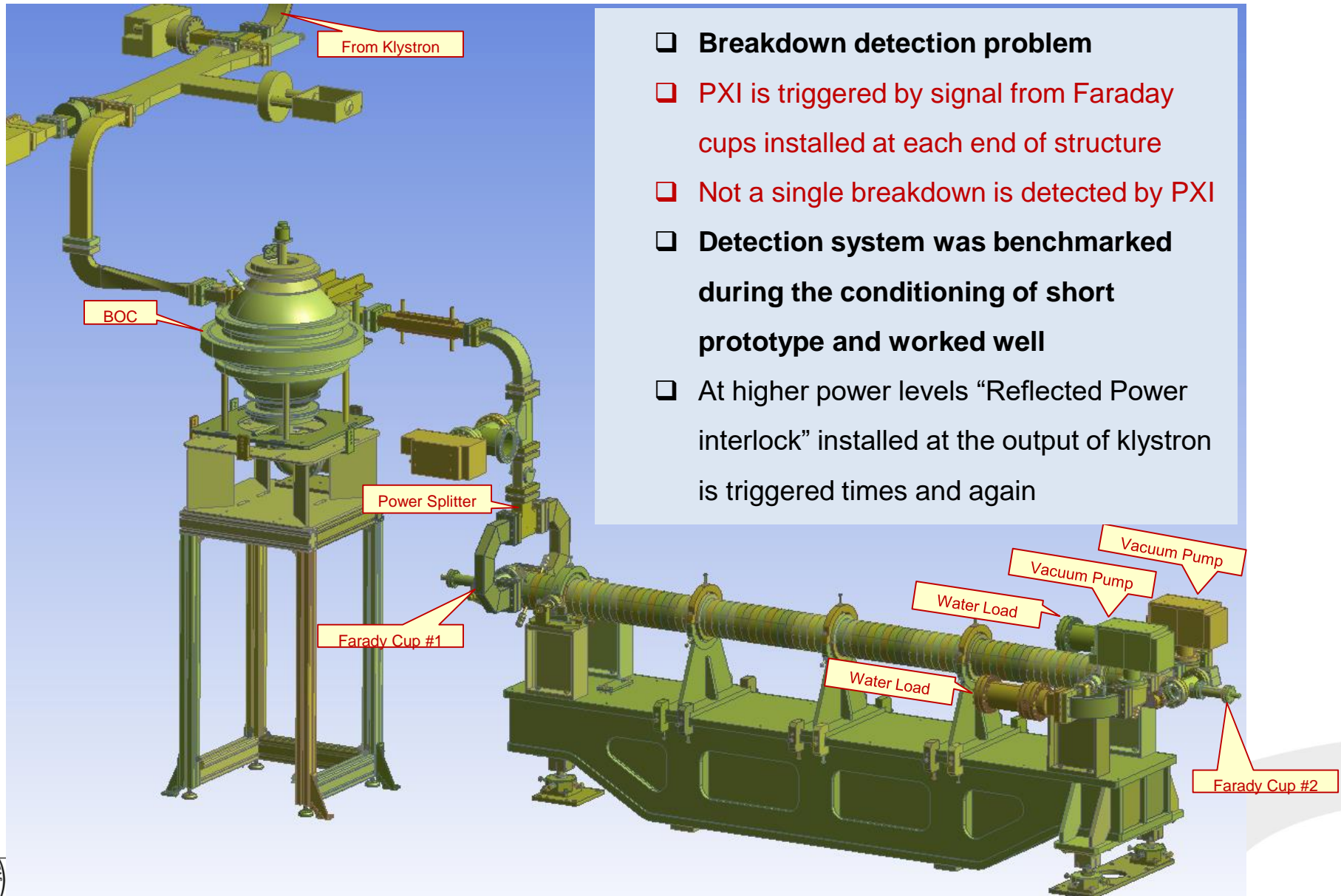
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## MATLAB conditioning vacuum at the structure





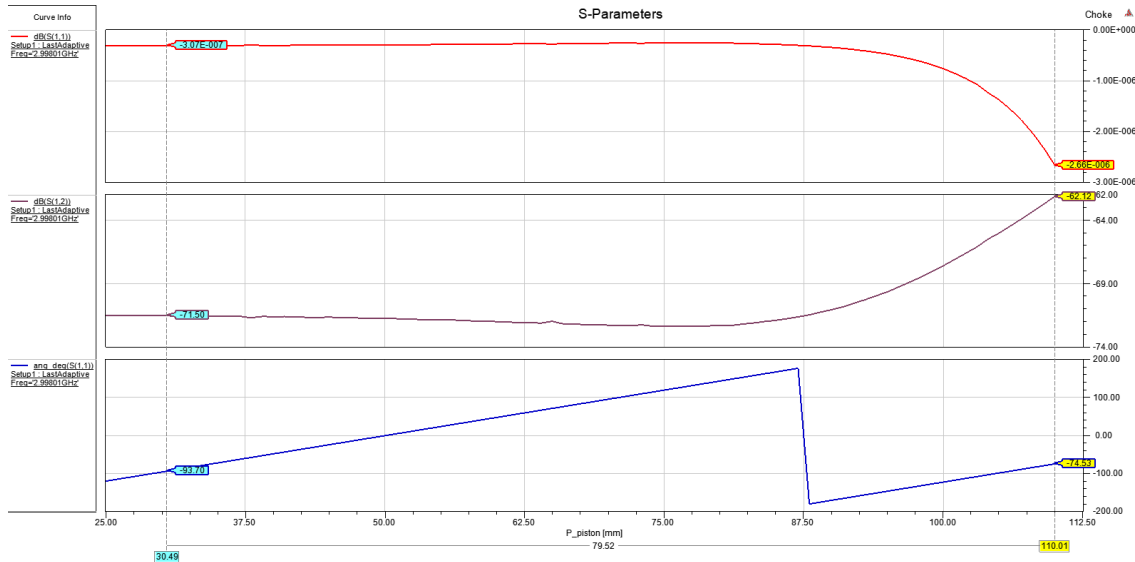
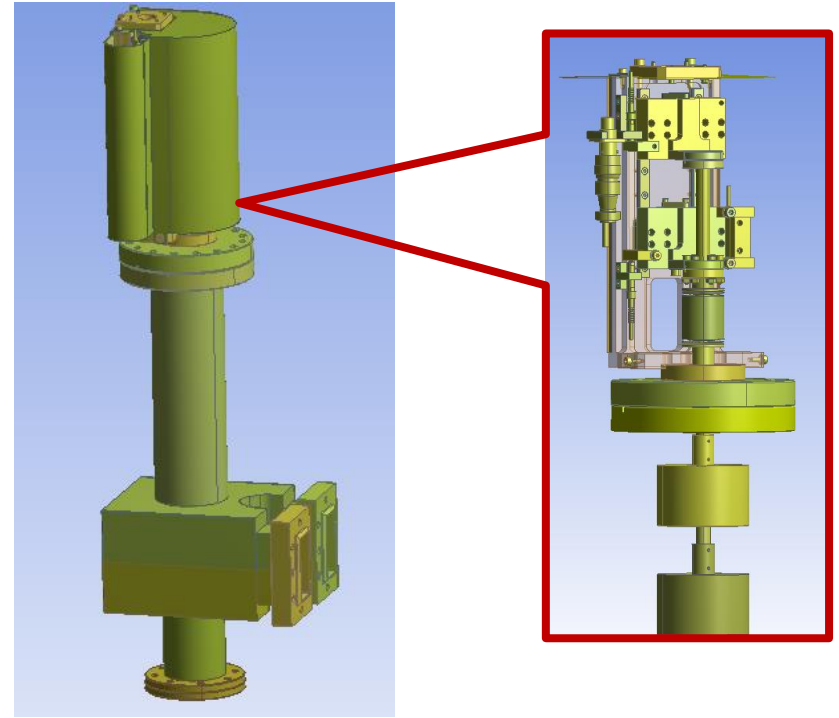
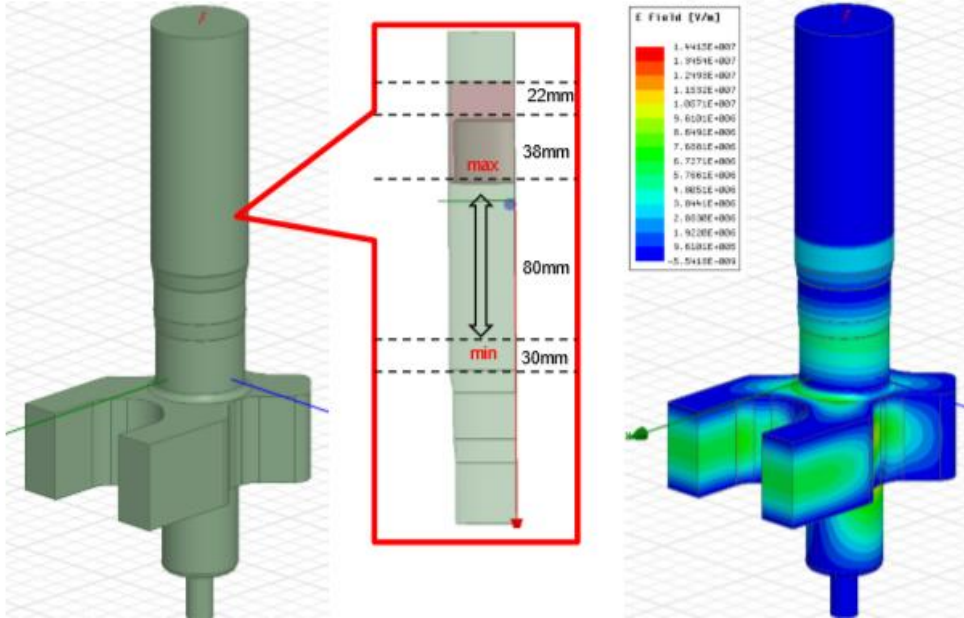
# FIRST HG STRUCTURE CONDITIONING



- ❑ Breakdown detection problem
- ❑ PXI is triggered by signal from Faraday cups installed at each end of structure
- ❑ Not a single breakdown is detected by PXI
- ❑ Detection system was benchmarked during the conditioning of short prototype and worked well
- ❑ At higher power levels “Reflected Power interlock” installed at the output of klystron is triggered times and again



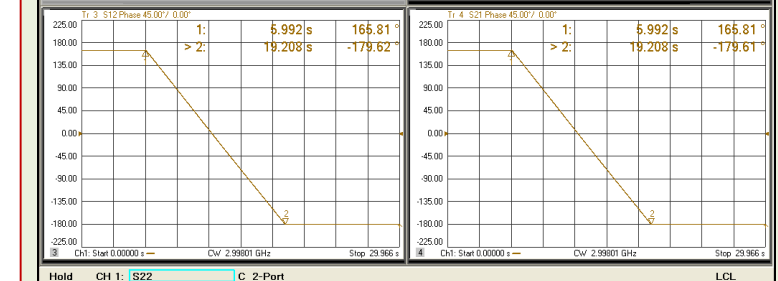
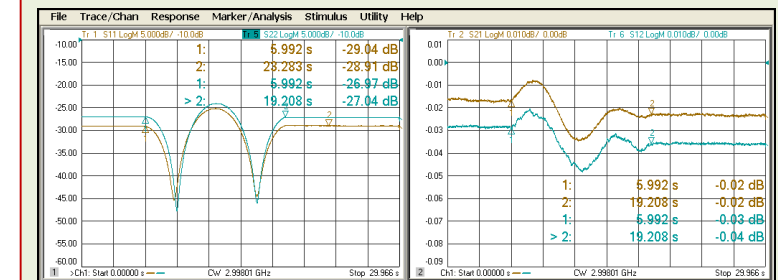
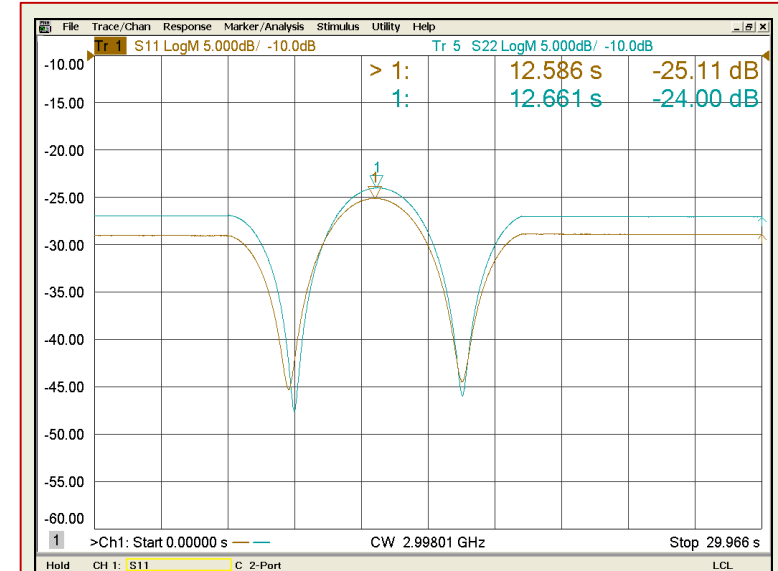
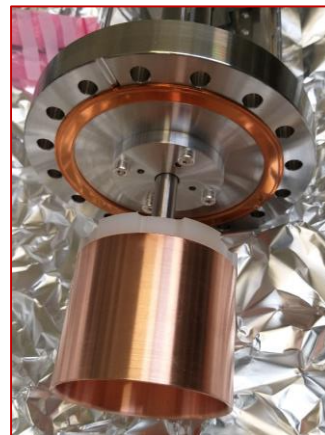
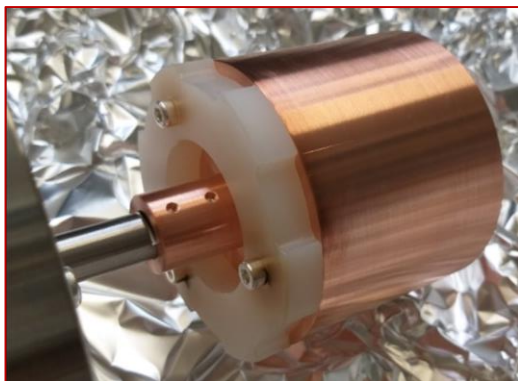
# IN-VACUUM PHASE SHIFTER



	Value	Units
$f_0$	2.99801	GHz
Bandwidth @ -30 dB	15	MHz
VSWR	<1.05	
Insertion loss	0.1	
Phase Range	$\pm 200$	Degree
Max Peak Power	45	MW
Max Average Power	10.125	W



# IN-VACUUM PHASE SHIFTER

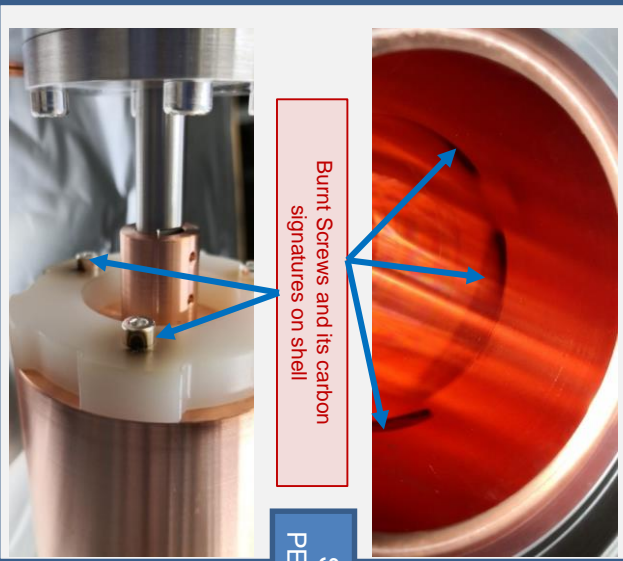






# 1<sup>st</sup> run

# IN-VACUUM PHASE SHIFTER CONDITIONING...



Burnt Screws and its carbon signatures on shell

Screws & PET removed

# 2<sup>nd</sup> run

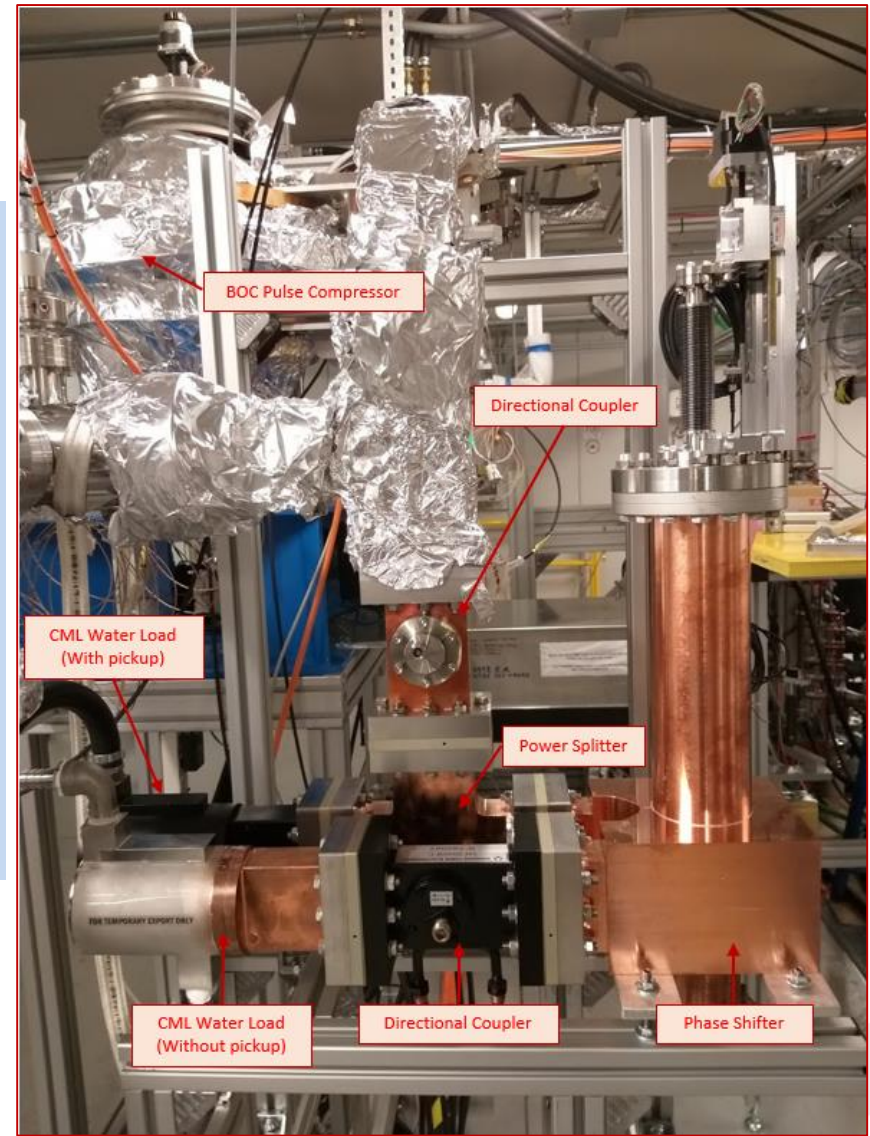


Carbon signature in the shell

# 3<sup>rd</sup> run

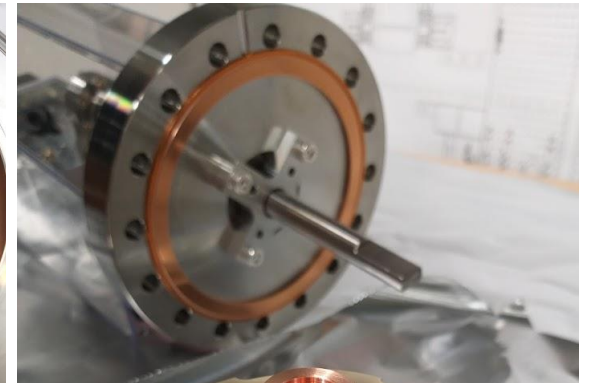
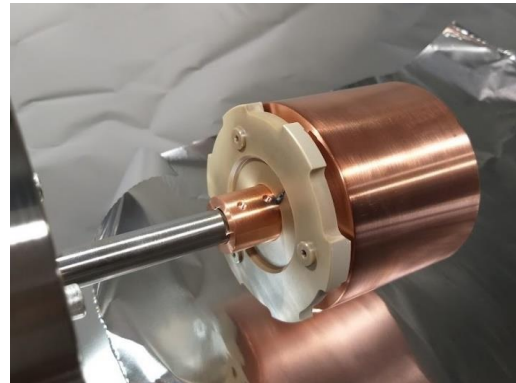
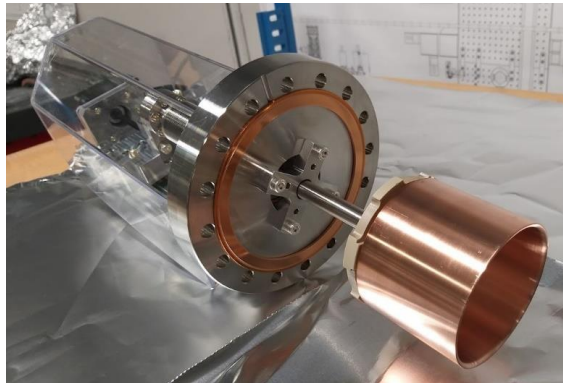
## Vacuum issue

- Baking out of plastic
- Replacement of metal screws with plastic ones.
- Spacers were introduced between copper choke & the plastic to avoid virtual leak.

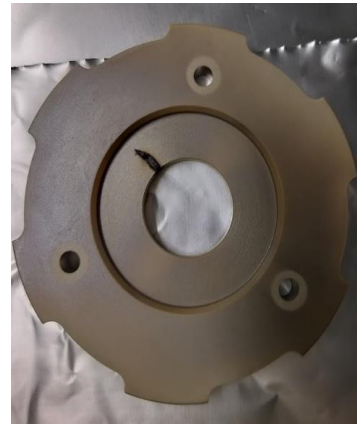




# IN-VACUUM PHASE SHIFTER POST CONDITIONING ANALYSIS



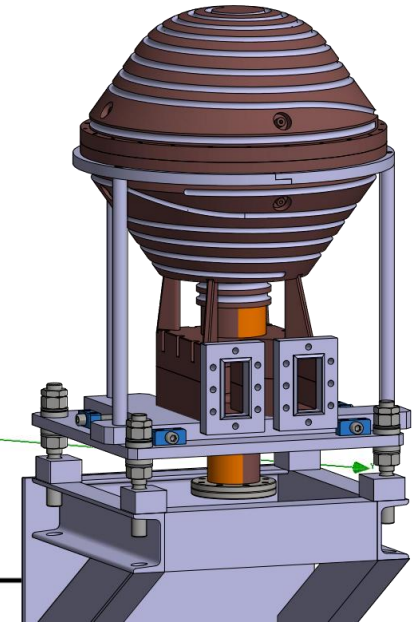
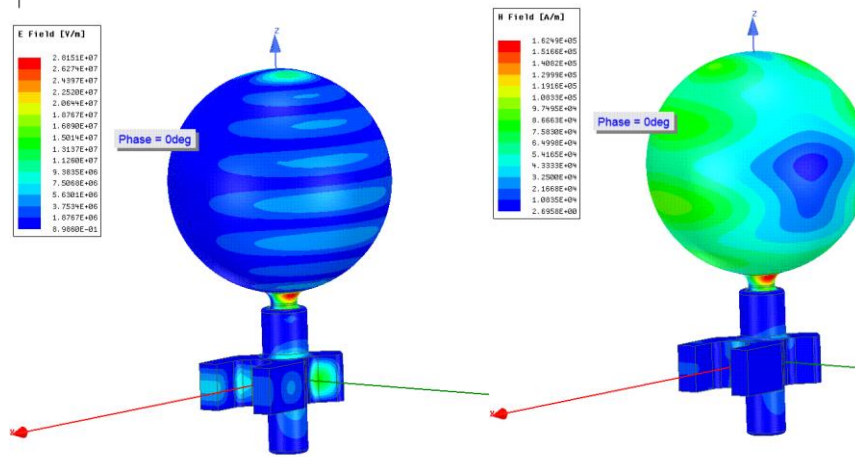
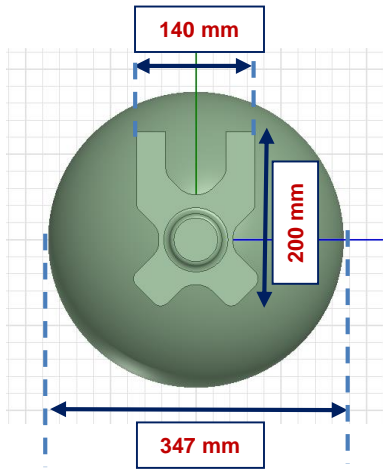
- Power level achieved
- 50 MW
- Pulse width: 1000 ns
- Post conditioning inspection
- Hard burnt spot on plastic
- Discoloring of plastic





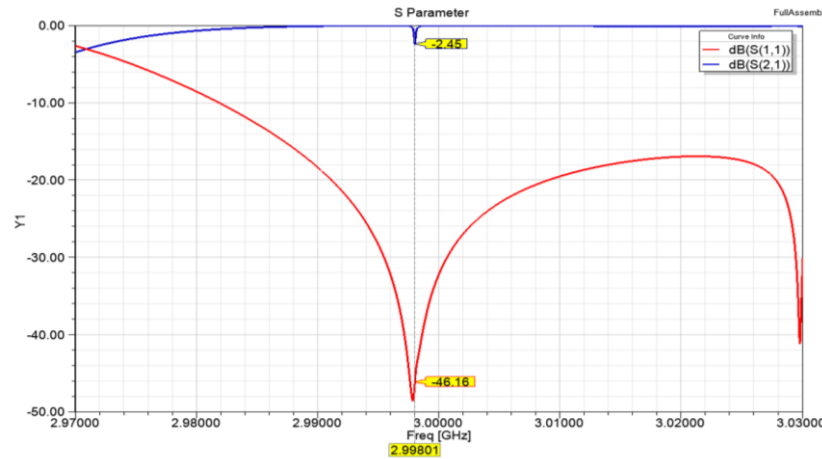
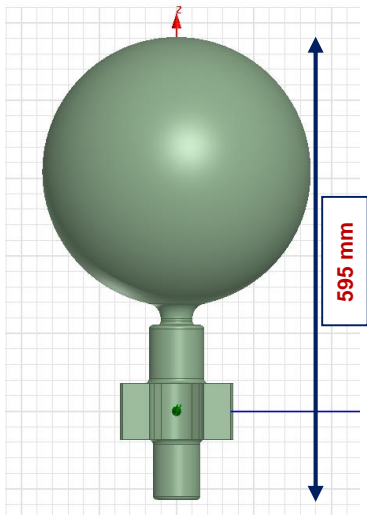
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# RF PULSE COMPRESSOR



RF Parameters

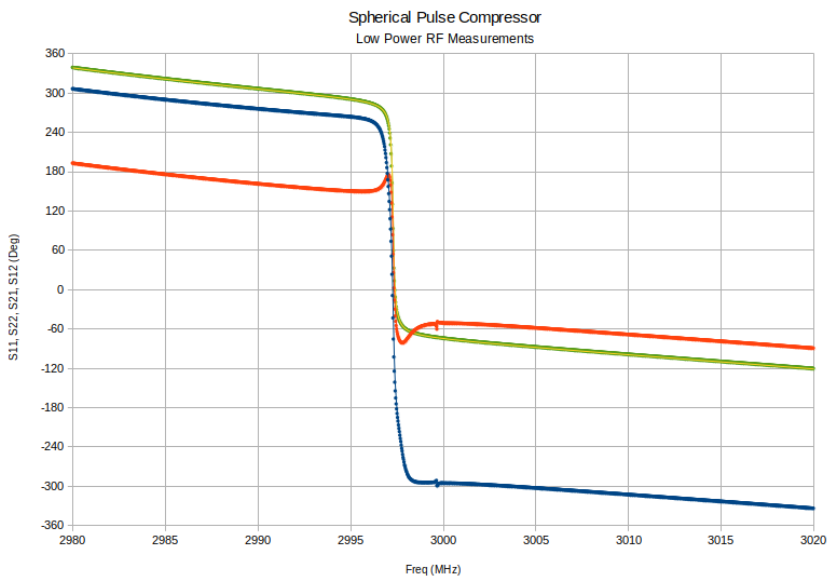
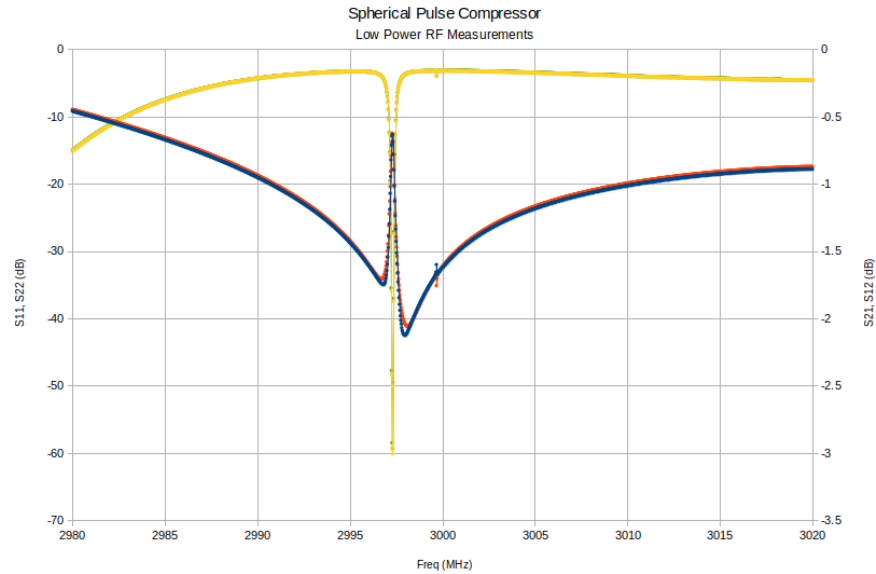
$f_0$	2.99801	GHz
Nominal Temperature	35	°C
Mode	TM13	
Q0	≈140000	
Coupling Coefficient	7.2±0.1	
E @ 45 MW	28.16	MV/m
H @ 45 MW	169.75	kA/m



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# RF PULSE COMPRESSOR LOW POWER MEASUREMENTS



— S11 Phase — S22 Phase — S21 Phase — S12 Phase

## Measurement Setup

- Ambient temperature: 25,7 C
- Coupling frequency: 2997,3 MHz





# CONCLUSION

## Conditioning of HG prototype

- Successful conditioning of HG prototype at Cavity Test Facility of Elettra up to an accelerating gradient of **40MV/m** with break down rate of  **$7.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{bpp}$** .

## Conditioning of 1<sup>st</sup> 3,0m HG structure

- First 3,0m HG structure is installed at Cavity Test Facility of Elettra and is under conditioning from **28 April 2022**.

## S-Band In-Vacuum Phase Shifter

- Successful design, fabrication and high power testing of S-Band In-Vacuum Phase Shifter up to RF power of **50 MW** with pulse width of **1000 ns**

## S-Band Spherical Pulse Compressor

- Low power measurement done after successful brazing of Spherical Pulse Compressor.

# NEXT STEPS AND TIME SCHEDULE

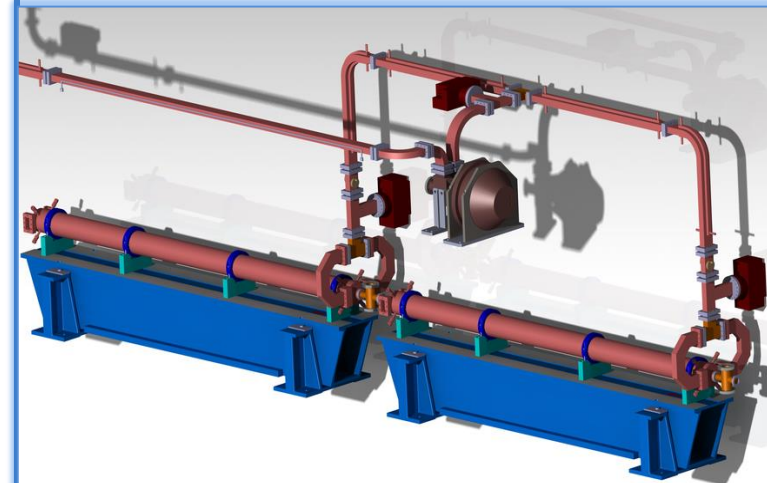
## Full HG module timeline...

- By **August 2022**, 2<sup>nd</sup> HG structure would be fabricated and shipped to Elettra.
- During **Summer 2022 shutdown full HG Module** would be installed in FERMI tunnel in place of one accelerating section and deflecting cavity (K15) for operation with beam.

## Spherical Pulse Compressor...

- In the **last week of May 2022**, Spherical pulse compressor would be installed at Elettra for tuning and low power measurements at the right temperature.
- During the shutdown of **Summer 2022** Spherical Pulse Compressor would be installed at Cavity Test Facility for conditioning and high power testing

## Layout of HG module in FERMI Tunnel





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