

# Commissioning of CXLS X-band Linac and Photoinjector at kHz repetition rate

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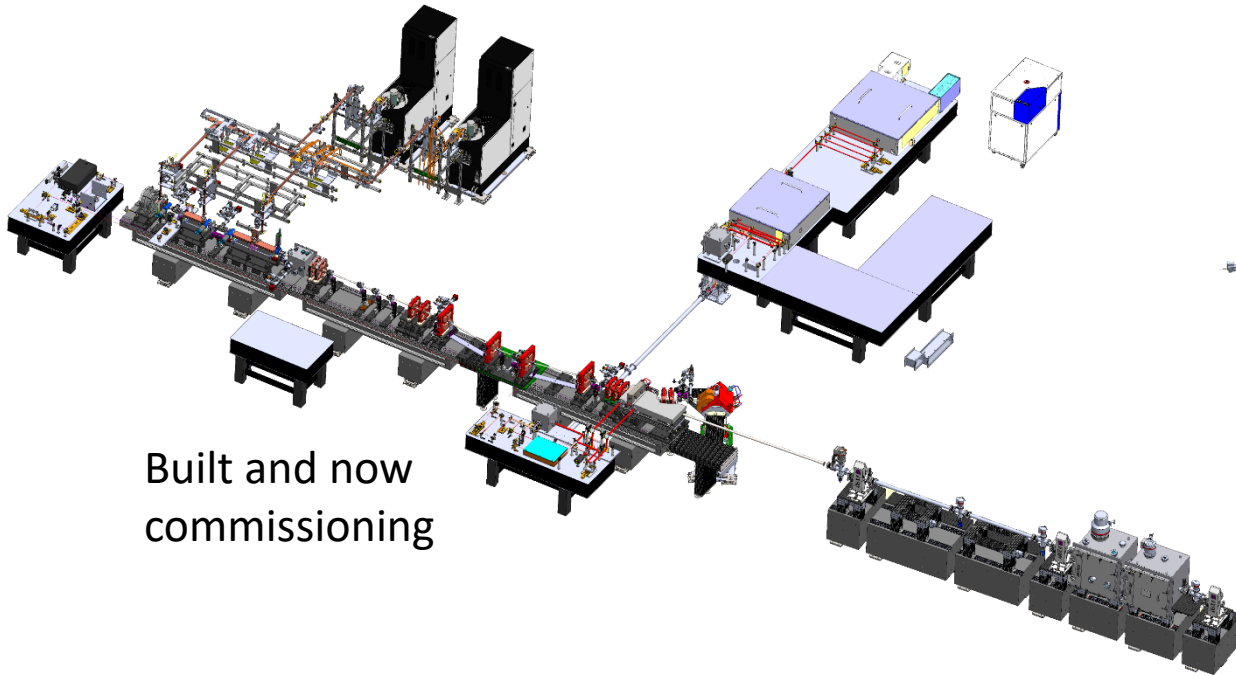


# CXFEL Project – What is it?

A two-phase project to build a compact fully coherent x-ray laser

## CXLS

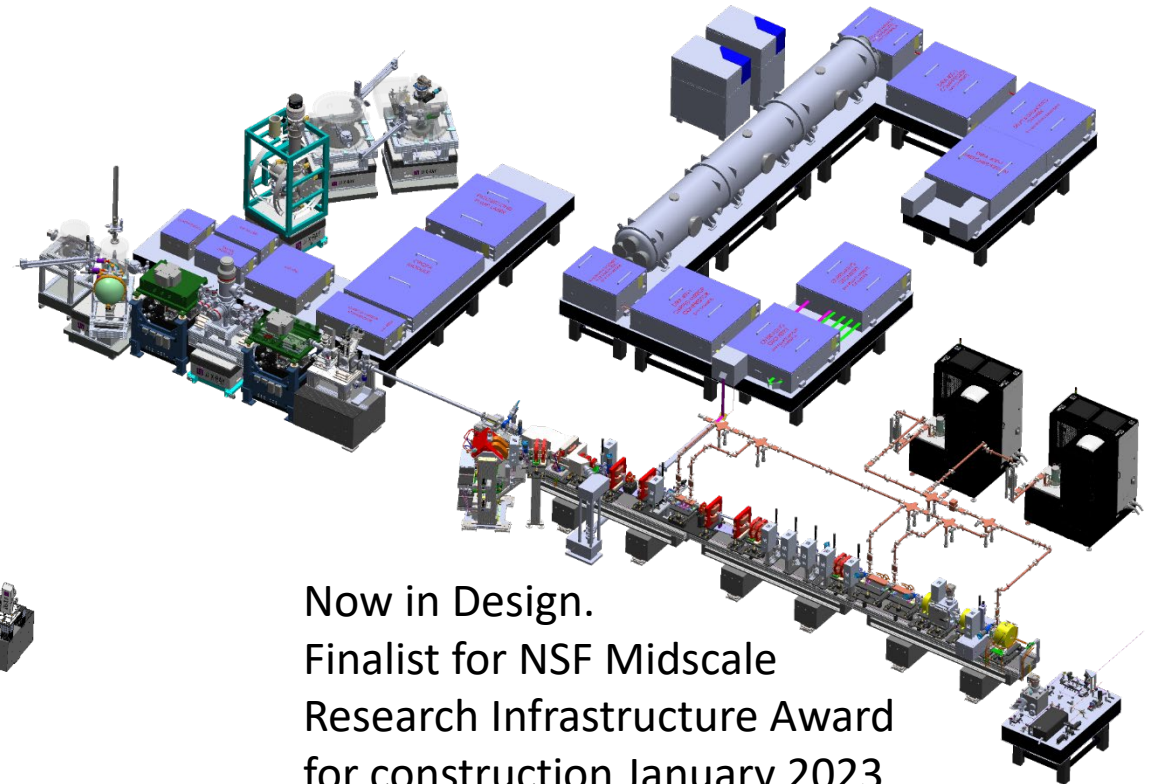
Phase 1 Hard X-ray ICS Source



Built and now commissioning

## CXFEL

Phase 2 Soft X-ray Coherent Laser



Now in Design.  
Finalist for NSF Midscale  
Research Infrastructure Award  
for construction January 2023

# CXLS Layout

## LightConversion Yb:KGW

1030/515/258 nm  
1.5 mJ/shot at 1030  
0.15 mJ/shot at 258  
200 fs, 1 kHz

## ASU-Tibaray photoinjector

9.3 GHz  
1 kHz  
120 MV/m  
4.5 cell  
4 MeV energy  
200 pC  
1 ps

## Tibaray linac

9.3 GHz standing wave  
1 kHz  
25-30 MV/m  
20 cells/section X 3 sections  
30 MeV final energy

## Scandinavia K1 modulators

### L3 L6145 klystrons

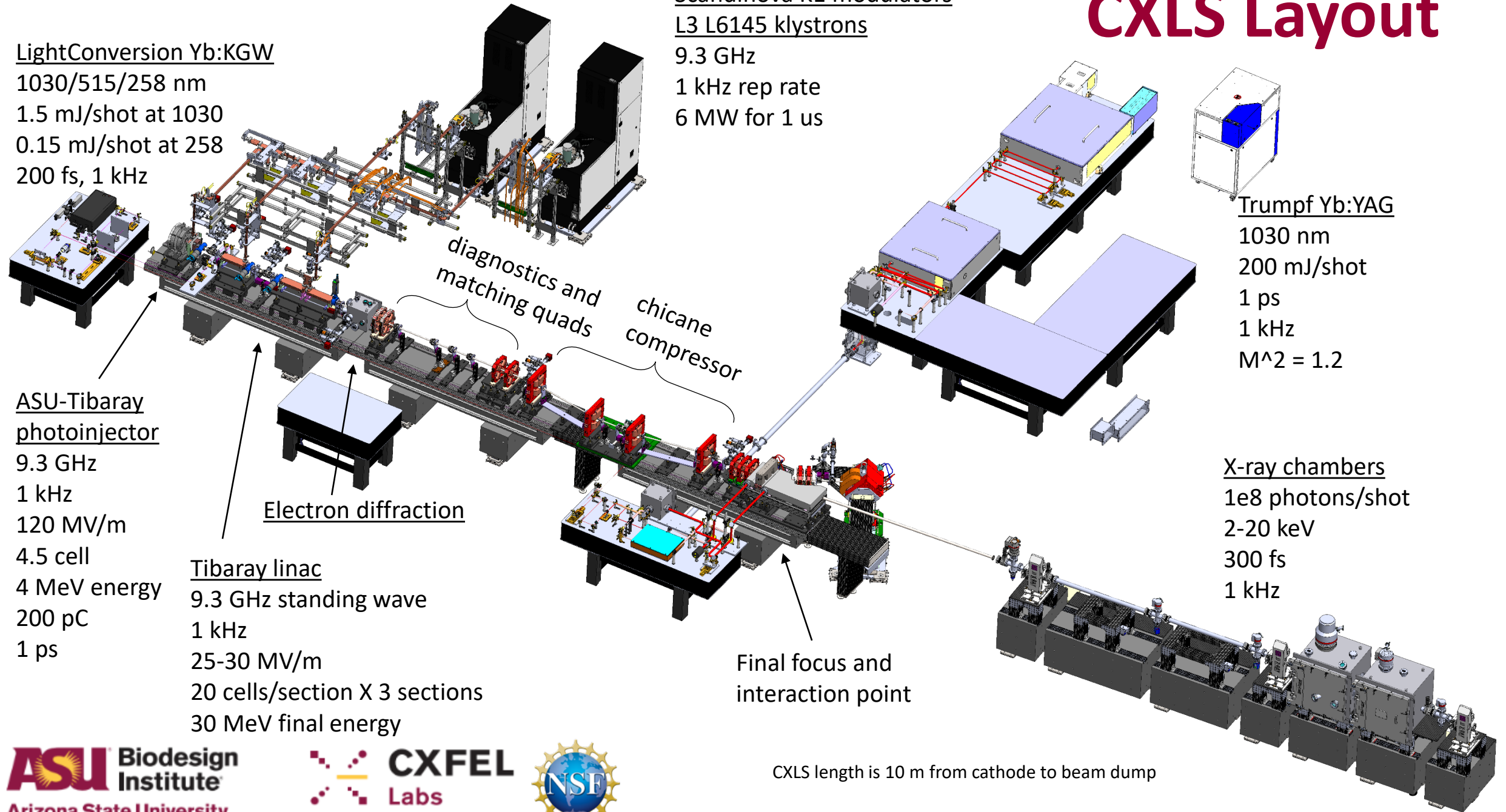
9.3 GHz  
1 kHz rep rate  
6 MW for 1 us

## Trumpf Yb:YAG

1030 nm  
200 mJ/shot  
1 ps  
1 kHz  
 $M^2 = 1.2$

## X-ray chambers

1e8 photons/shot  
2-20 keV  
300 fs  
1 kHz



Electron diffraction

diagnostics and matching quads  
chicane compressor

Final focus and interaction point

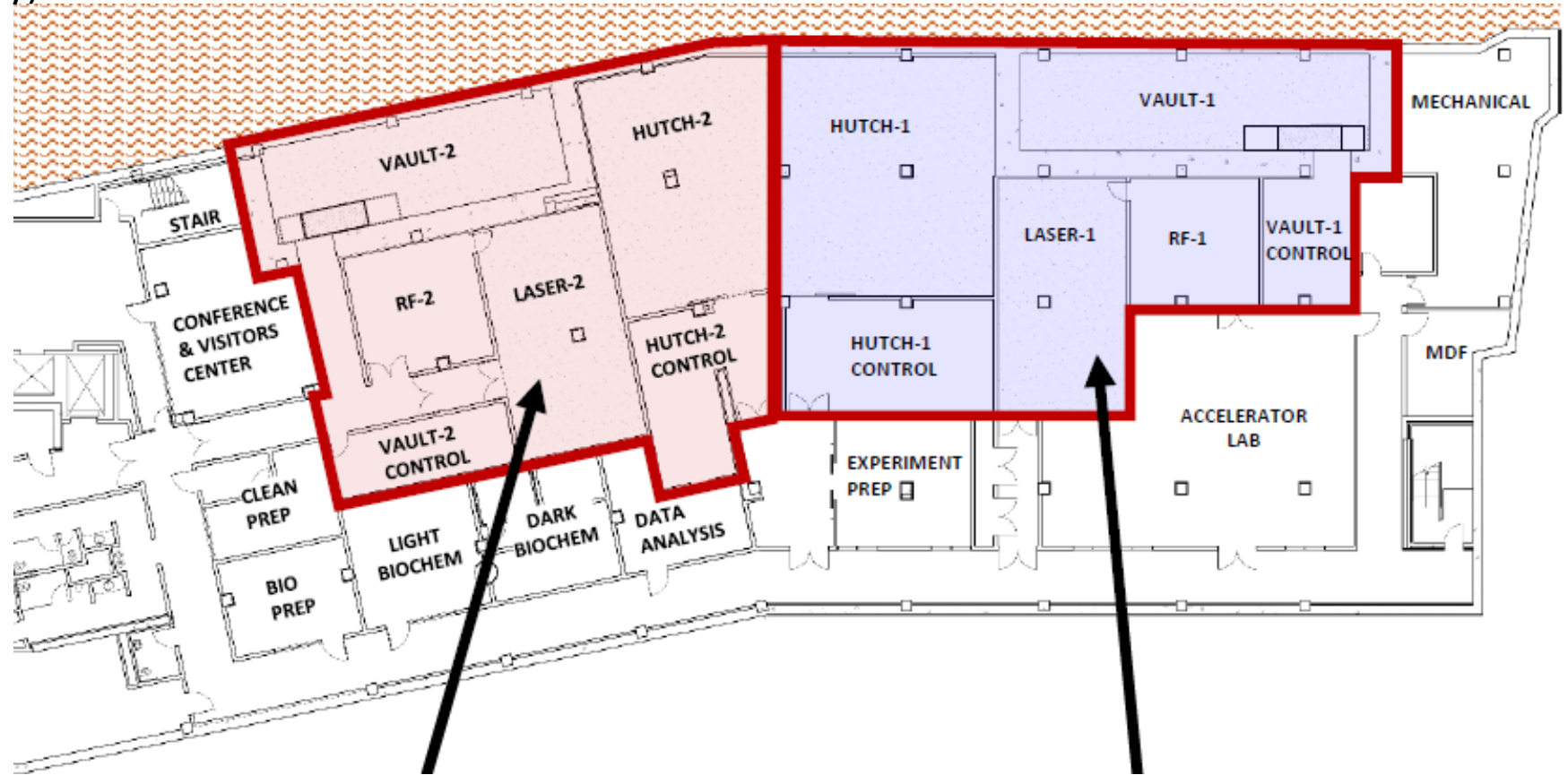
CXLS length is 10 m from cathode to beam dump

# CXFEL Labs

- 2 m thick slab separate from building
- Vibration rated VC-E (TEM quality)
- <0.5 C temperature stability
- <Class 1000 clean room
- Low background B-fields
- Faraday cage RF room

The CXFEL Project includes two lab spaces for independent instruments

- Hard x-ray CXLS is commissioning; prototype of CXFEL technologies
- MSRI-2 award would build soft x-ray CXFEL fully coherent laser



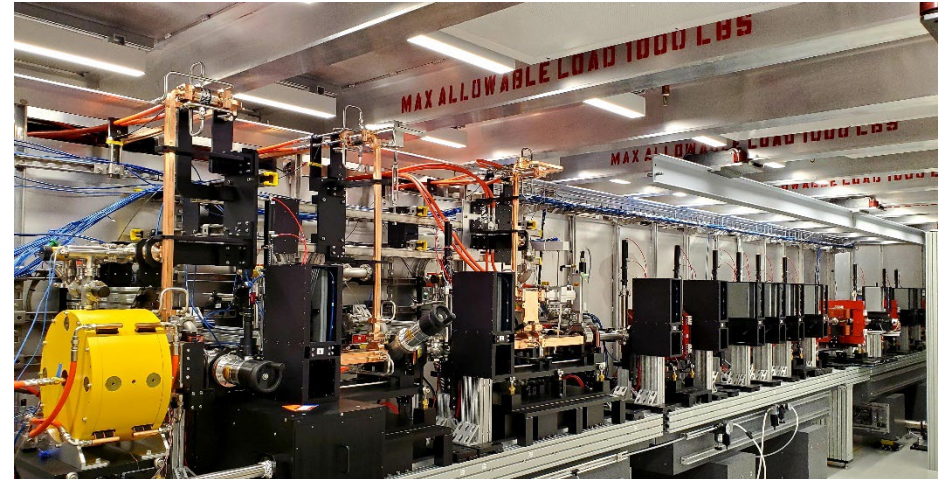
These labs are ready for the proposed **CXFEL**

**CXLS** is constructed and commissioning in these labs

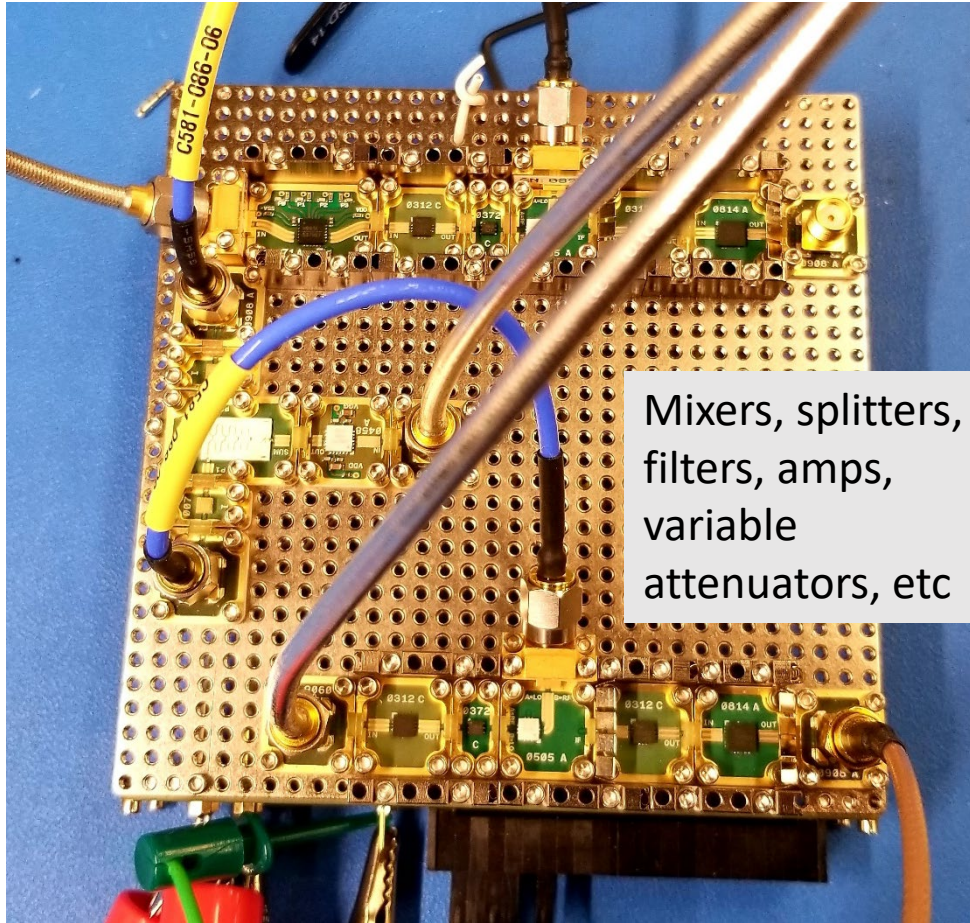
# CXLS Commissioning Progress

Late 2019

Today

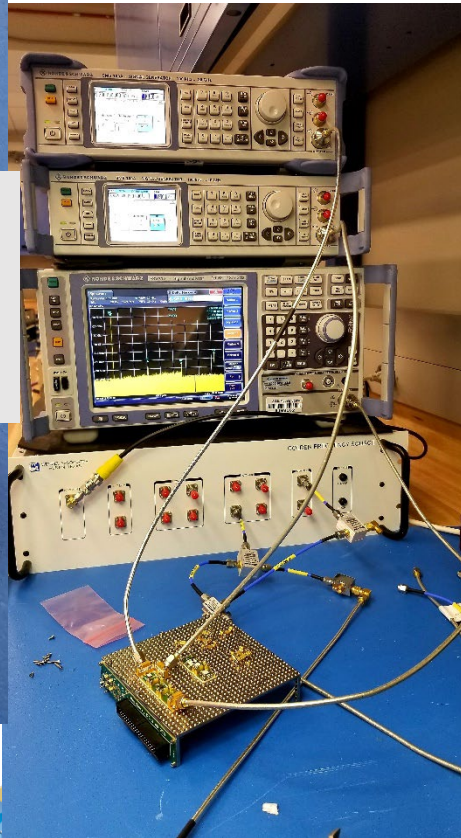


# Low Level RF Design with Students

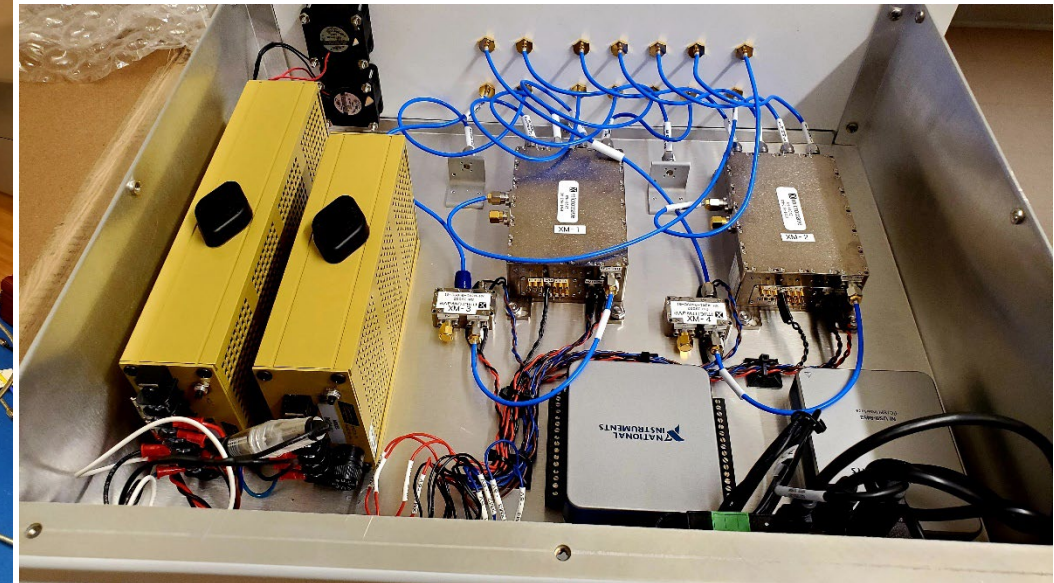


Mixers, splitters, filters, amps, variable attenuators, etc

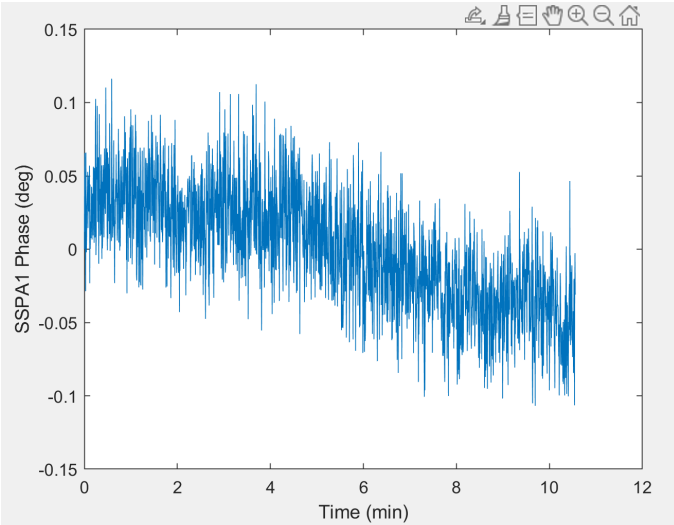
Rapid and inexpensive prototyping of microwave circuits using modular waveguide components from X-Microwave.



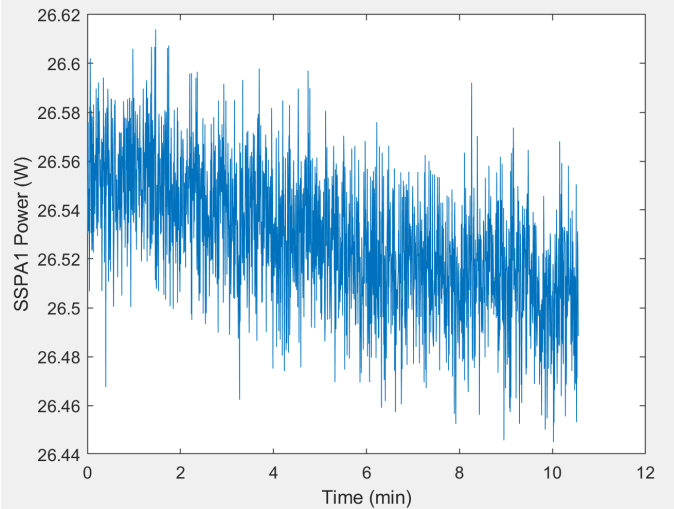
Complete IQ Modulator. Similar boxes for downconversion and machine protection



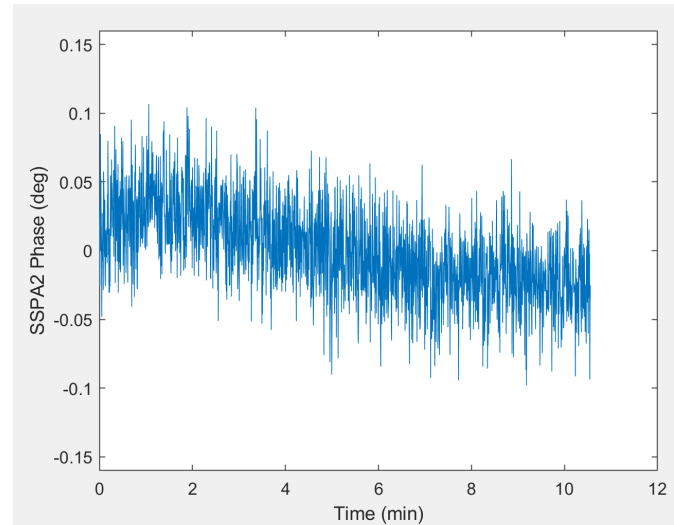
# Low Level RF Performance



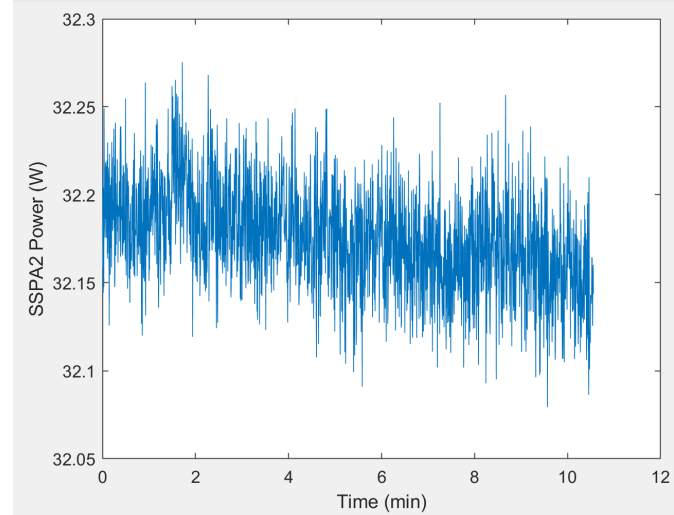
Solid State Power Amp #1  
RMS  $\Delta$ phase = **0.040** deg  
over 10 minute period



Solid State Power Amp #1  
RMS  $\Delta$ power = **0.1%**  
over 10 minute period



Solid State Power Amp #2  
RMS  $\Delta$ phase = **0.034** deg  
over 10 minute period



Solid State Power Amp #2  
RMS  $\Delta$ power = **0.09%**  
over 10 minute period

# RF High Power Layout

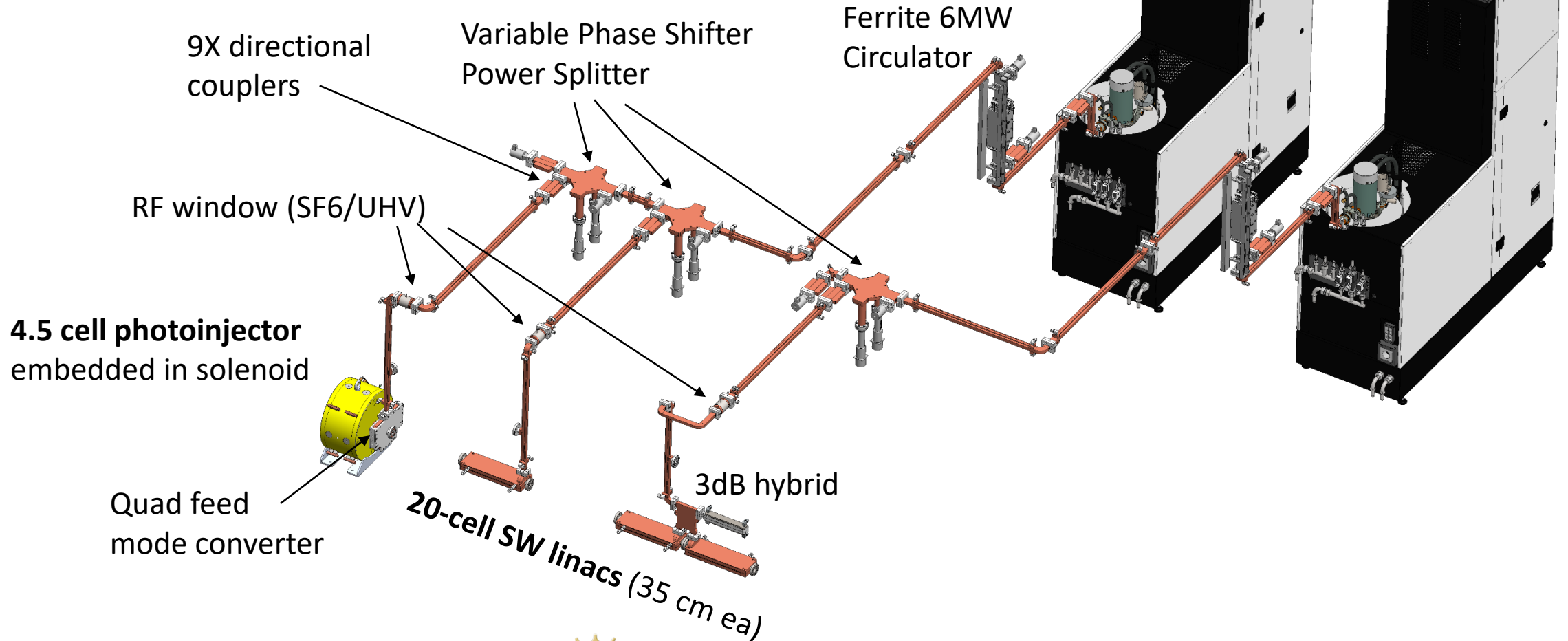
Scandinova K1 modulators

L3 L6145 klystrons

9.3 GHz

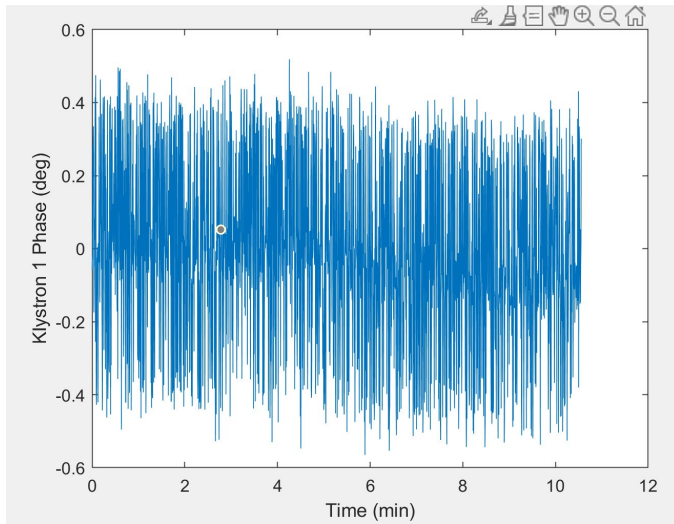
1 kHz rep rate

6 MW for 1 us

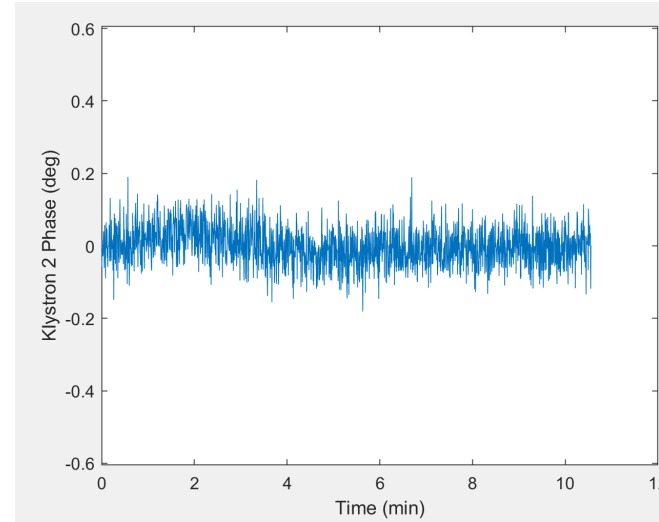




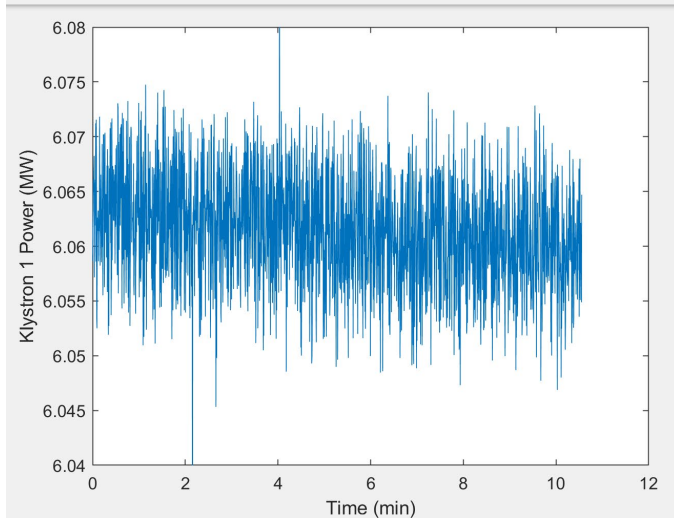
# High Power RF Performance



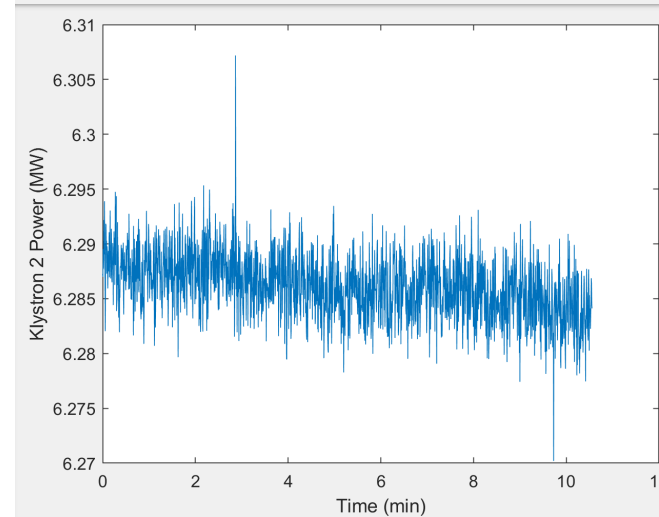
Klystron #1  
RMS  $\Delta$ phase = **0.25** deg  
over 10 minute period



Klystron #2  
RMS  $\Delta$ phase = **0.053** deg  
over 10 minute period



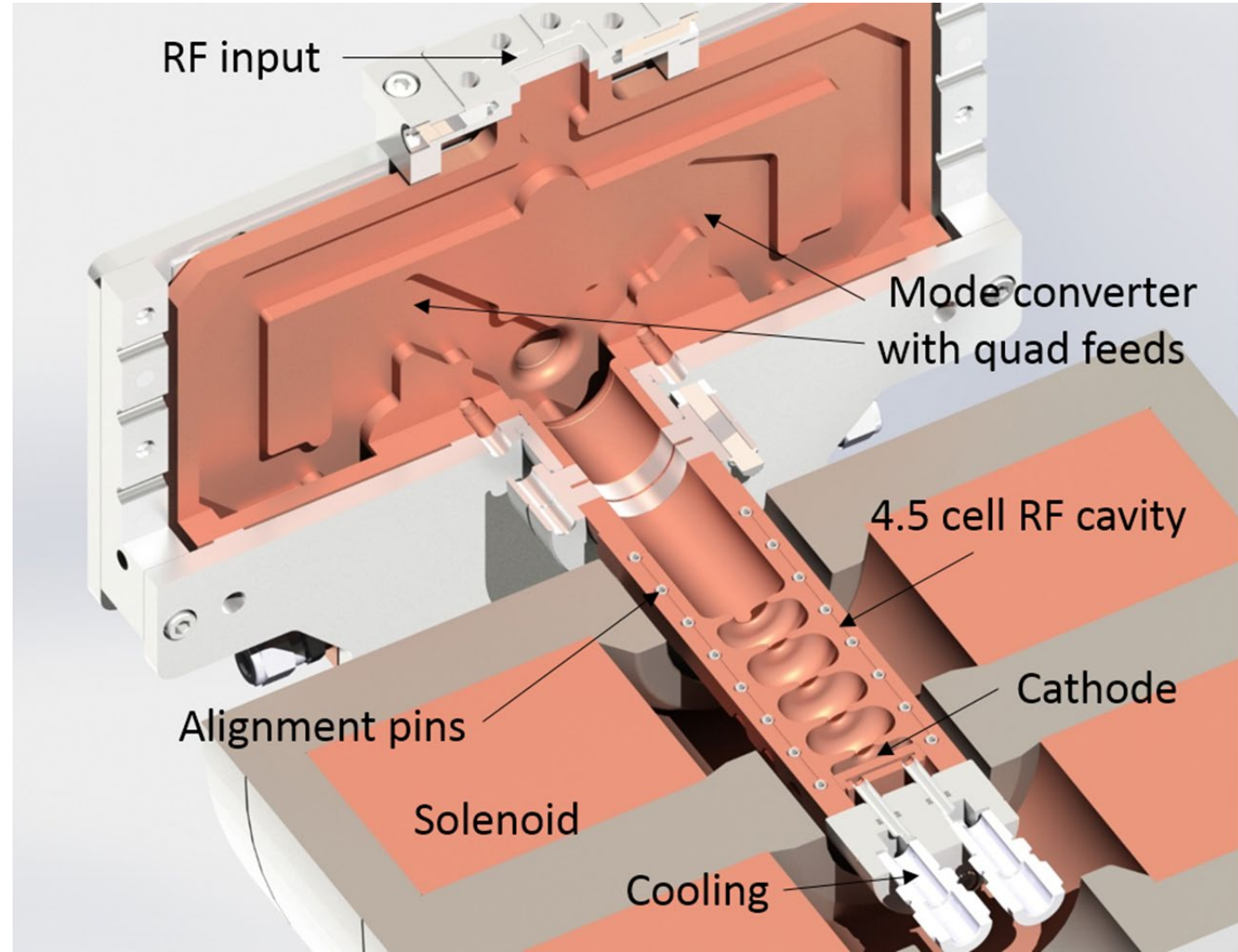
Klystron #1  
RMS  $\Delta$ power = **0.08%**  
over 10 minute period



Klystron #2  
RMS  $\Delta$ power = **0.04%**  
over 10 minute period

# Novel X-band kHz Photoinjector

- V. Dolgashev (SLAC) RF design
- Mode converter with quad RF feeds
- 4.5 cells
- 9.3 GHz RF
- 3 MW peak power
- 4 MeV final energy
- 120 MV/m on cathode
- 1 kHz repetition rate
- Embedded in tape-wound solenoid

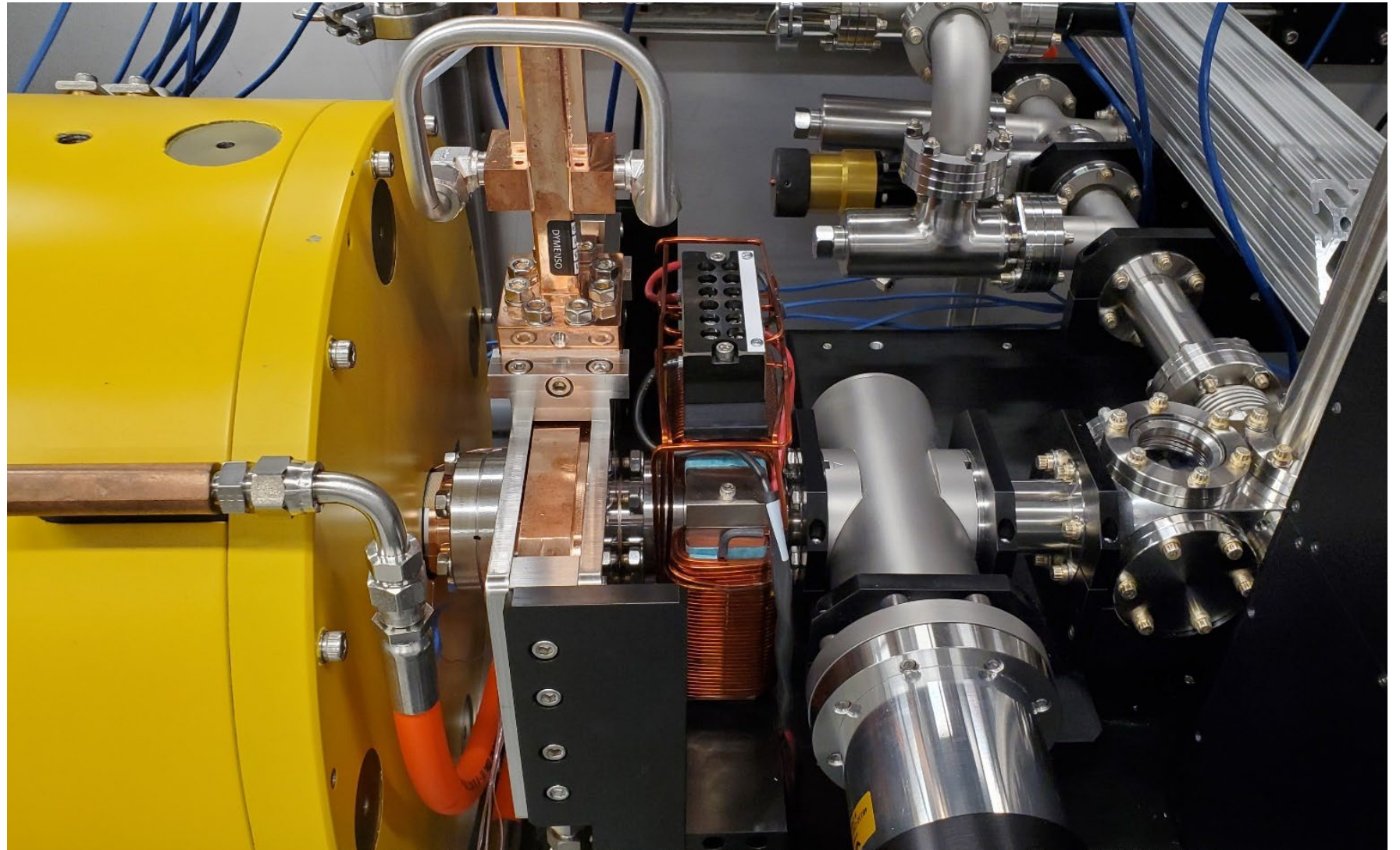


Graves et al  
IPAC 2017 TUPAB139

# CXLS Photoinjector Commissioned

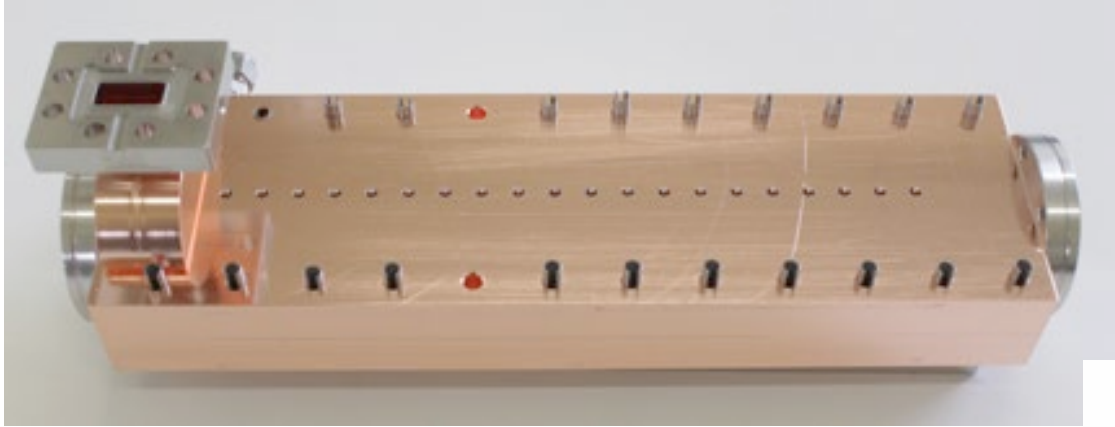
## Commissioned to

- 3.6 MW delivered
- 117 MV/m gradient
- 3.8 MeV energy
- 1000 Hz rep rate
- 700 ns pulses
- Conditioning time ~3 days
- Zero breakdowns/day



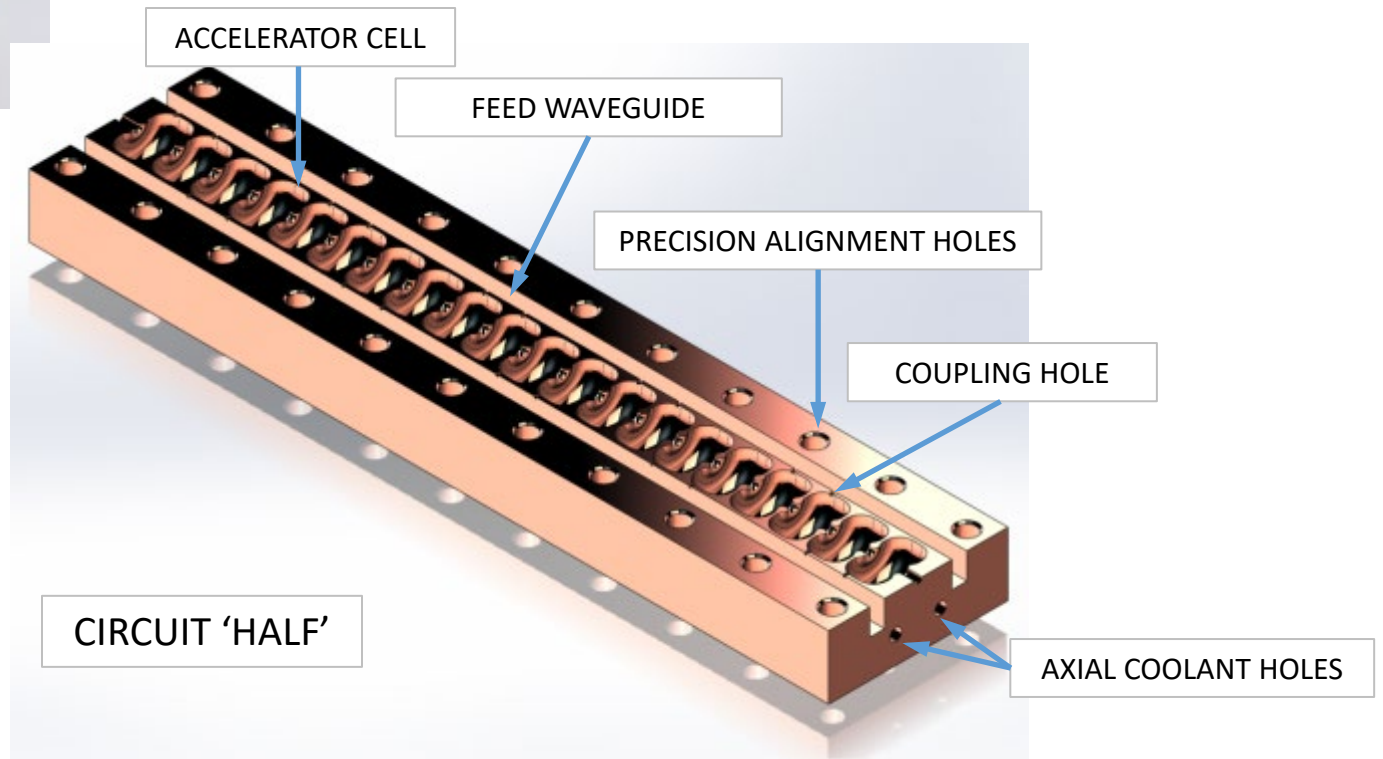
# Novel 9.3 GHz SW Linac Structure

Tantawi and Li (SLAC)



Tantawi et al, Phys Rev Accel and Beams 23, 092001 (2020)

- 9.3 GHz 20-cell structure 32 cm long
- 165 MOhm/m shunt impedance
- 170 ns fill time
- 3 mm apertures
- $E_{\text{surface}}$  to  $E_{\text{accel}} = 4:1$
- 1 kHz rep rate
- Distributed coupling to each cell
- Inexpensive



# CXLS Linac Commissioning

## Commissioned to

- 27 MV/m gradient
  - 108 MV/m surface field
  - 1000 Hz rep rate
  - 700 ns RF pulse
  - 2 MW delivered to each structure
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- ~10 pC per 700 ns RF pulse dark current
  - 28 MeV final beam energy (still tuning)
  - RMS  $dE/E = 0.005 - 0.03\%$

