

# HOM Mitigation

## Dealing with Higher Order Modes in Accelerating Structures

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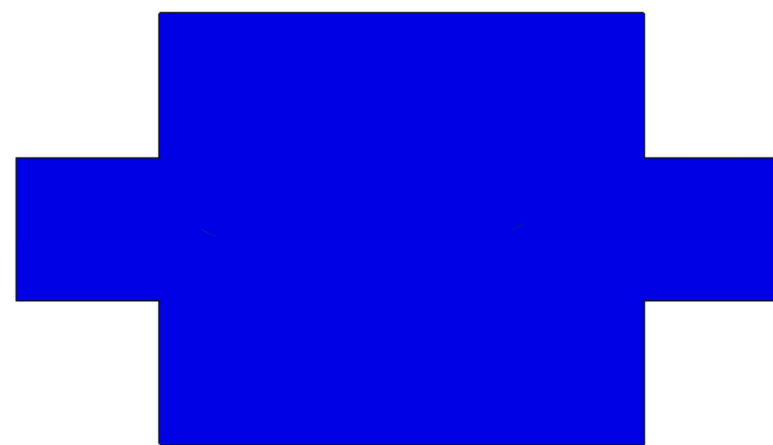
From this school only!



# 1. Intro: Wakefields

## Brief reminder

- **Wake**: definition from Merriam-Webster (<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/wake>) (among other meanings)
  - 1: the track left by a moving body (such as a ship) in a fluid (such as water); broadly: a track or path left
  - 2: aftermath (the period immediately following a usually ruinous event)
- **In an accelerator**
  - 1: Electromagnetic “track” left behind by the beam
  - 2: “**Usually ruinous**”? → can be → one has to know the possible danger in order to avoid it



⇒ **Know your wakefields**

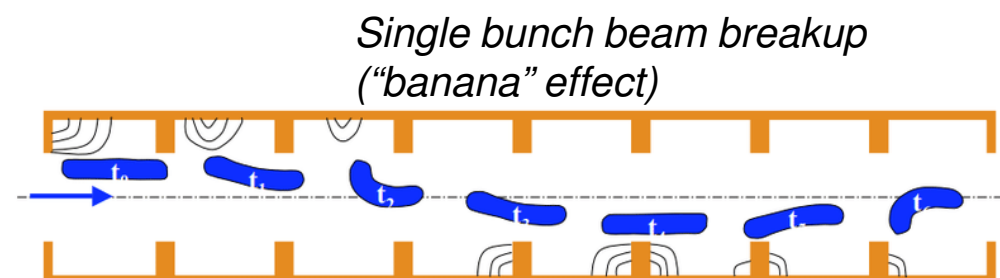
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# 1. Intro: Wakefields

## Brief reminder (2)

- Different types:
  - Geometrical, resistive wall, rugosity
  - Longitudinal or transverse
  - Short or long range
- **Short-range** wakefields:
  - effects within the bunch: increase in energy spread, emittance
  - Often treated in time domain
- **Long-range** wakefields:
  - effects from bunch to bunch: increase of multi-bunch energy spread or emittance
  - Usually treated in frequency domain → HOMs

see lecture on  
*“Impedances and wakefields”*  
 by Andrea Mostacci  
 and many others!



W. Barletta, USPAS 2010

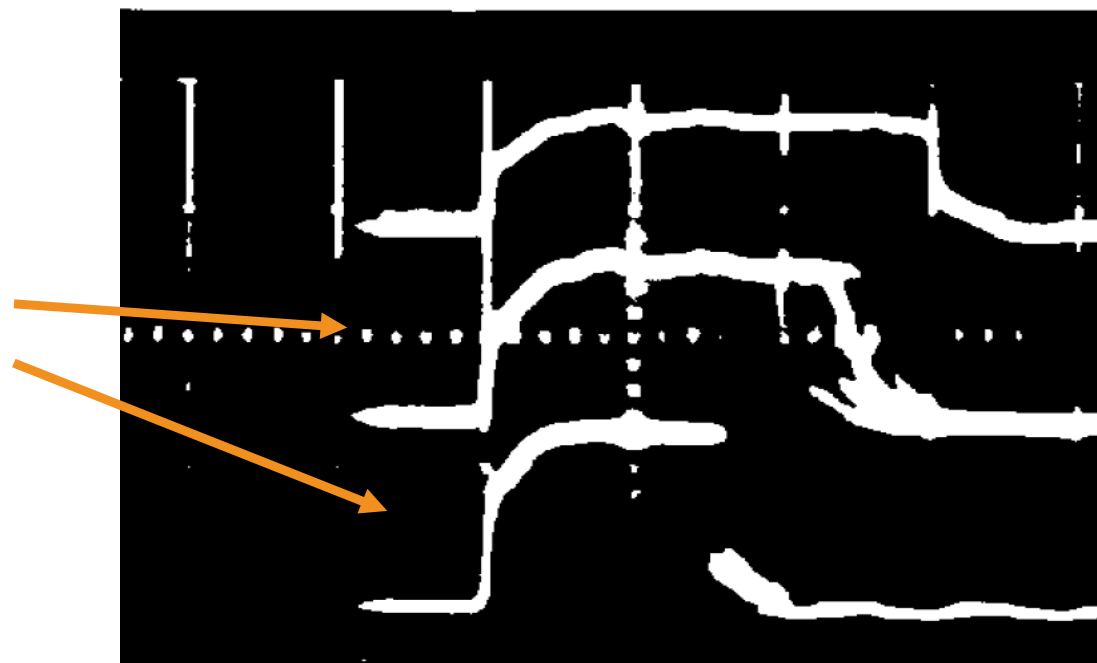
- **This lecture**
  - **Long-range** wakes/multi-bunch effects
  - **Geometrical** wakes
  - In **accelerating structures**

# 1. Intro: Wakefields

Why worry with long-range wakes?

Beam breakup observed at SLAC 1966

pulse cut for  
currents  
above some  
threshold



0.5  $\mu\text{sec}$  / DIVISION  $\longrightarrow$

*R.B. Neal (ed.), The Stanford two mile accelerator, 1968*

- Found to be due to the **beam interaction with one dipole mode**

# 1. Intro: Higher Order Modes

## Brief reminder: Longitudinal long-range wakefields

- Longitudinal wakefields can be described as a sum of HOMs for cylindrically symmetric structures

$$W_{||}(s) = \sum_n 2k_n \cos\left(\omega_n \frac{s}{c}\right) e^{-\frac{\omega_n s}{2Q_n c}} \quad n = \text{mode count}$$

- Longitudinal **loss factor**:  $k_n = \frac{|V_n(r, \omega_n)|^2}{4U_n}$  (V/pC)  
or equivalent  $R/Q$  factor (linac definition):

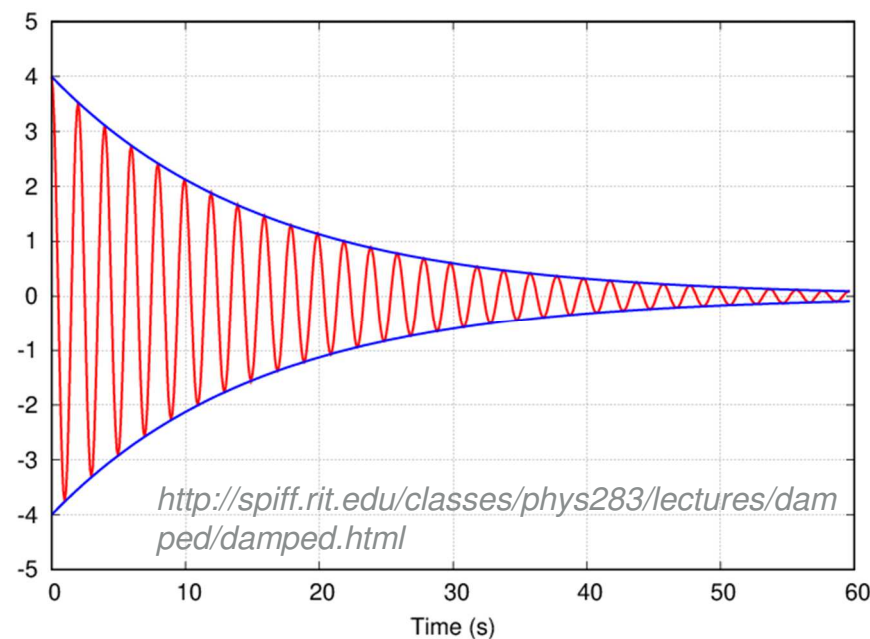
$$k_n = \frac{\omega_n}{4} \left(\frac{R}{Q}\right)_n$$

- Strength of interaction between beam and mode
- Given only by geometry

$s$ : distance behind the excitation particle

$U_n$ : energy stored in the mode

$V_n$ : voltage seen by the particle





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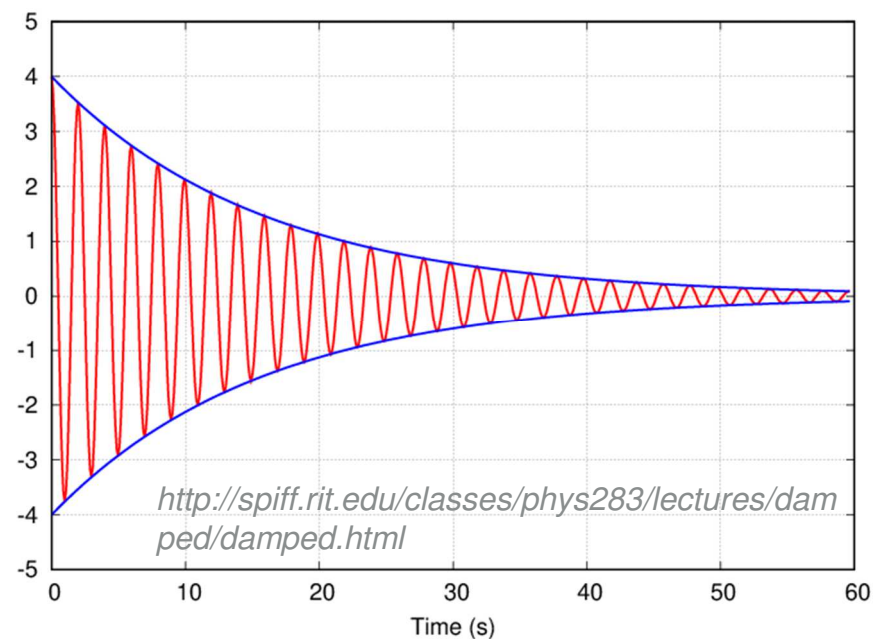
$$W_{||}(s) = \sum_n 2k_n \cos\left(\omega_n \frac{s}{c}\right) e^{-\frac{\omega_n s}{2Q_n c}}$$

- The **quality factor** gives the decay time

$$Q_n = \omega_n \cdot \frac{\text{stored energy}}{\text{power loss}}$$

- The material of the structure gives the intrinsic  $Q_0$  of a mode
- Additional components (ports) can also damp the HOMs →  $Q_{ext}$

$$1/Q_{total} = 1/Q_0 + 1/Q_{ext}$$



# 1. Intro: Higher Order Modes

## Brief reminder: Transverse long-range wakefields

- Transverse wakes:  
strongest contribution is usually given by dipole modes

$$W'_{\perp}(r, s) = \sum_n 2k'_{n\perp}(r) \sin\left(\omega_n \frac{s}{c}\right) e^{-\frac{\omega_n s}{2Q_n c}}$$

(transverse dipole wake)

- Transverse dipole kick factor:

$$k'_{n\perp} = \frac{ck_n}{\omega_n r^2} \text{ (V/pC/mm}^2\text{)}$$

(normalized to beam offset squared,  
sometimes also to the structure length)

⇒ It is enough to calculate the longitudinal loss factor (or  $R/Q$ )  
(Panofsky-Wenzel theorem)

# 1. Intro: Higher Order Modes

## Brief reminder: Characteristics of resonant modes

- Resonant frequency  $f_n = \omega_n/2\pi$
- Loss factor  $k_n$  or equivalent  $(R/Q)_n$

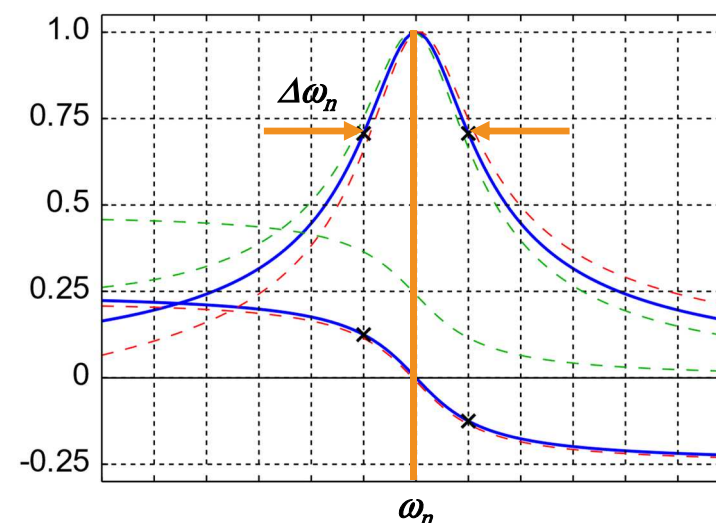
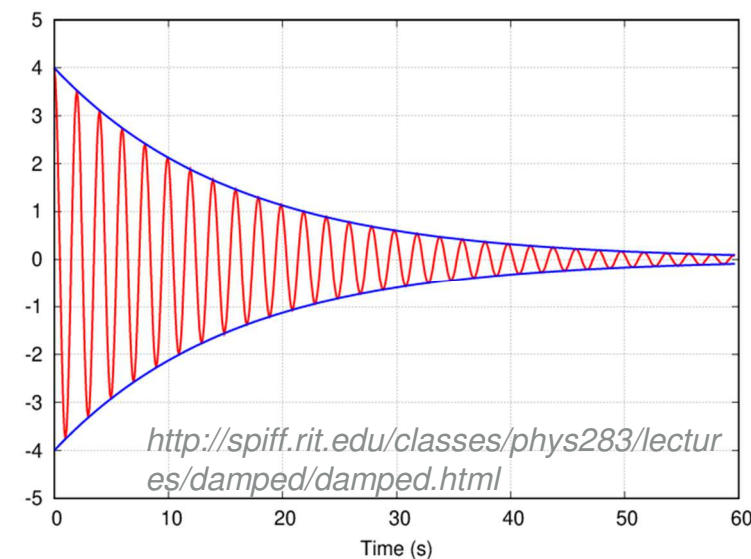
$$k_n = \frac{|V_n(r, \omega_n)|^2}{4U_n}; k_n = \frac{\omega_n}{4} \left(\frac{R}{Q}\right)_n$$

- Quality factor:  $Q_n = \omega_n \cdot \frac{\text{stored energy}}{\text{power loss}}$

$$Q_n = \omega_n / (\Delta\omega_n); \tau_n = 2Q_n / \omega_n$$

- Field distribution, polarization etc.

**Know your HOMs!**

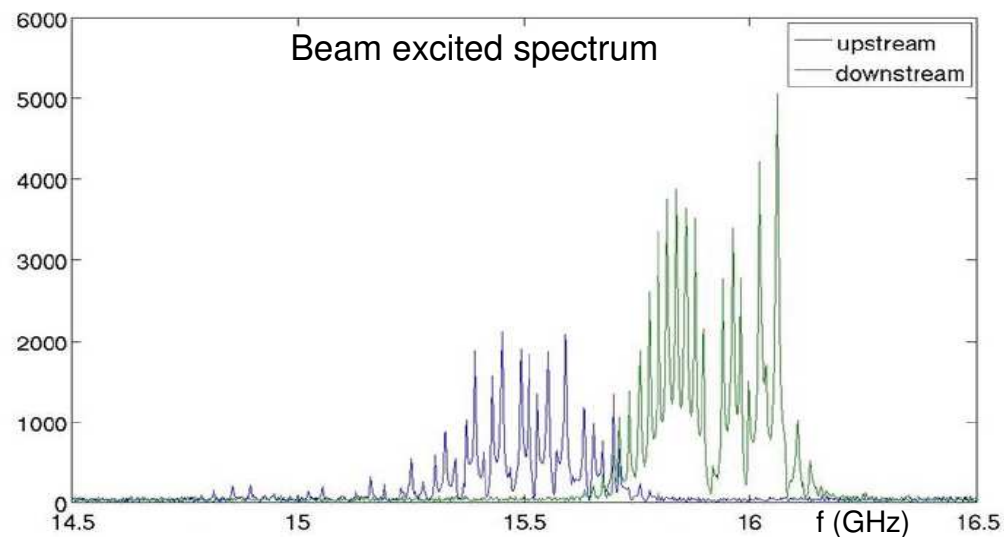
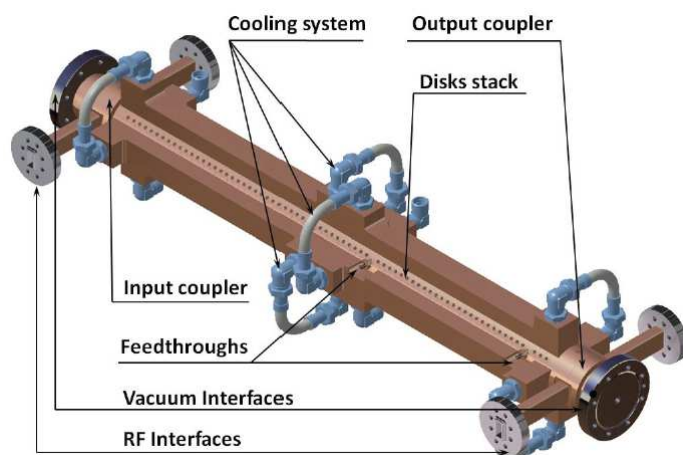


<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Resonance>

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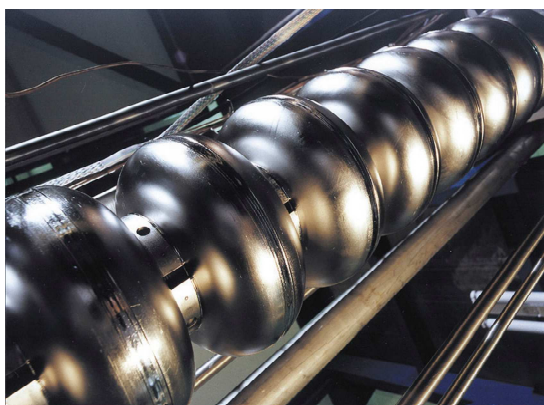
## Brief reminder: HOM spectra (examples)

- X-band structure at the Swiss-FEL

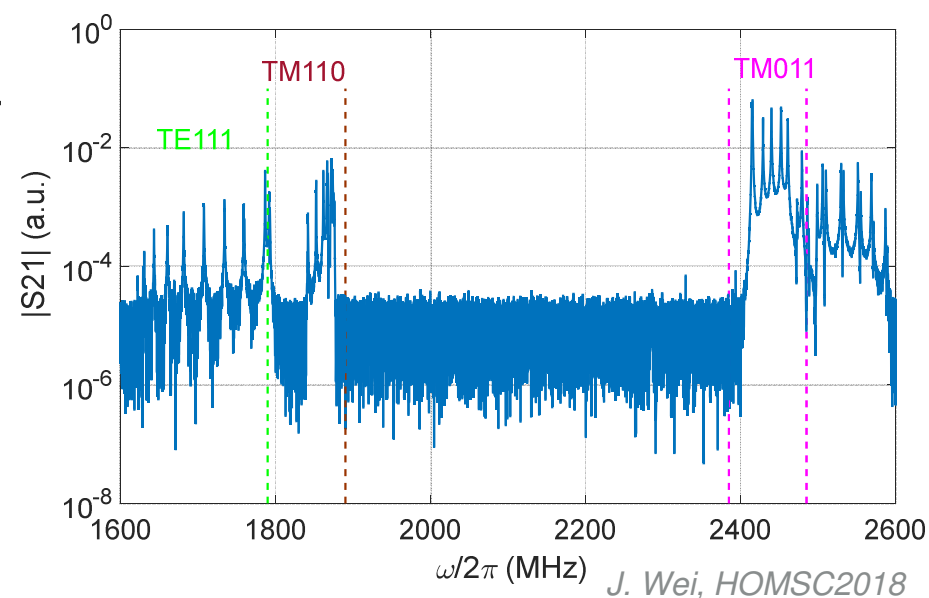


M. Dehler, IBIC2013, WEBL3

- TESLA cavity at FLASH/European XFEL



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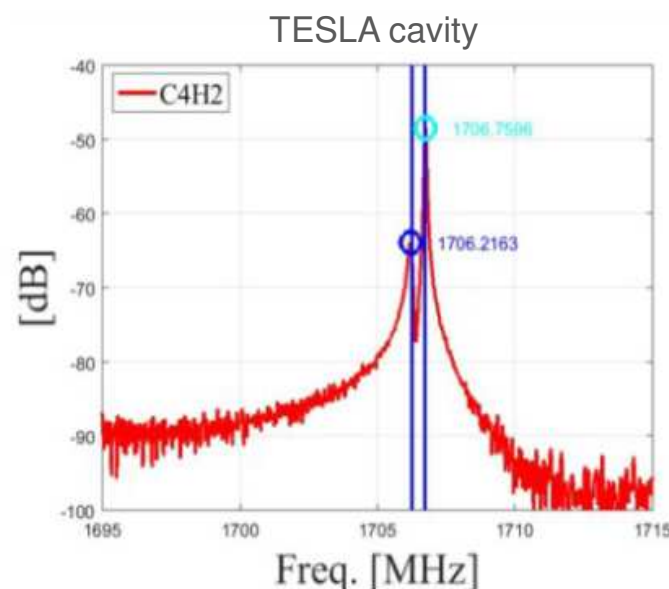
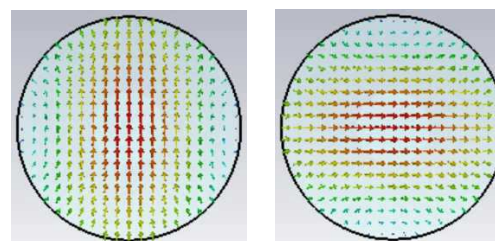
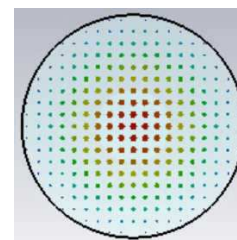


J. Wei, HOMSC2018

# 1. Intro: Higher Order Modes

## Brief reminder: Dipole modes

- Monopole modes:
  - Always excited
- Dipole, quadrupole modes etc.
  - Excited only by off-axis beams
  - Come in pairs (**polarizations**) with equal frequencies for circularly symmetric structures
- Zoom into measured spectrum (dipole mode)
  - Frequency split due to asymmetries
  - Polarization not always horizontal and vertical

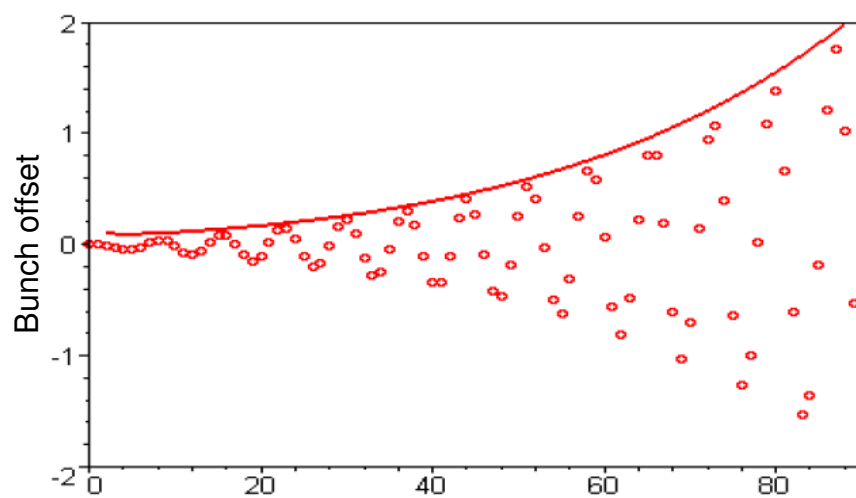


*J. Wei, FEL Seminar, DESY, 20.08.2019*

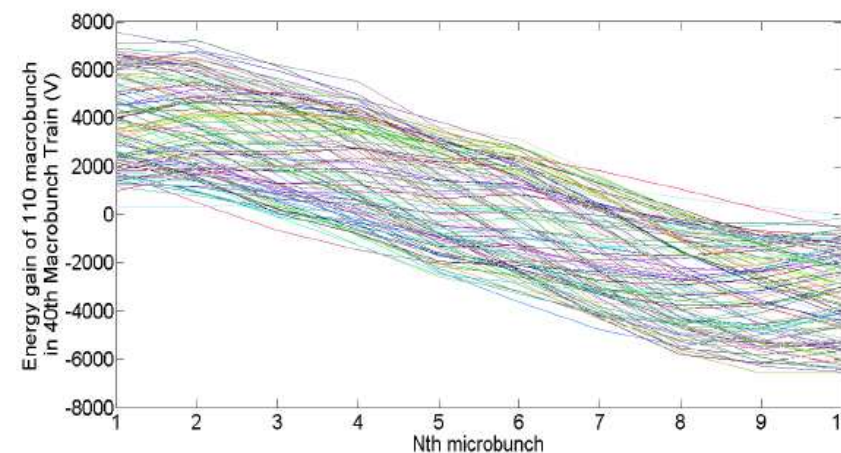
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## HOM effects on the beam

- **Transversely:**  
increase in multi-bunch emittance
- **Longitudinally:**  
increase in multi bunch energy spread

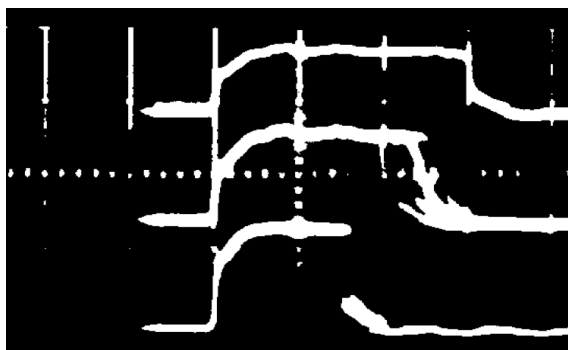


*C. Bohn, K. Ng, LINAC 2000*



*Chen Xu, AAC 2016*

Extreme case: beam breakup

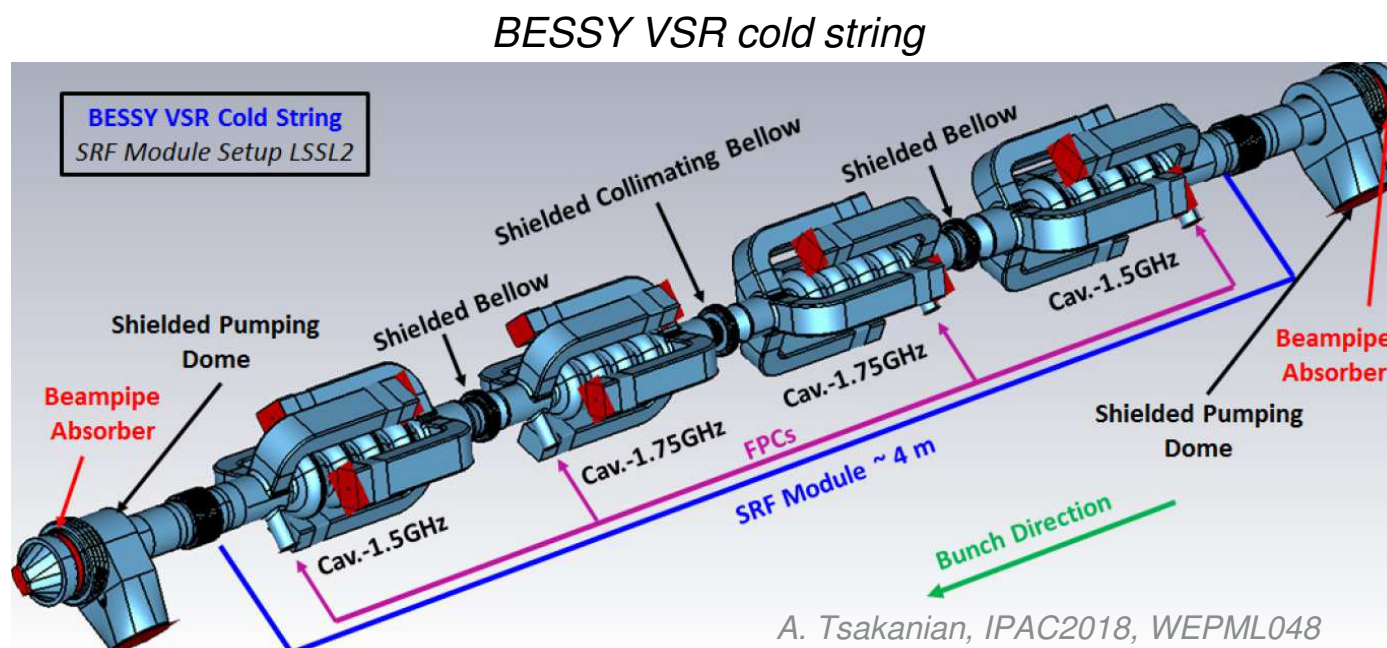


Worst effects at low energies

# 1. Intro: Issues due to HOMs

## Further HOM effects

- Power damped into the accelerating structures or other components



- BESSY VSR: HOM power estimated: of the order of 1 kW propagating out of the cold string; tens of W in each HOM load

# 1. Intro: HOM Mitigation

## Ways to deal with HOMs

- Avoid them
- Compensate their effects
- Use them



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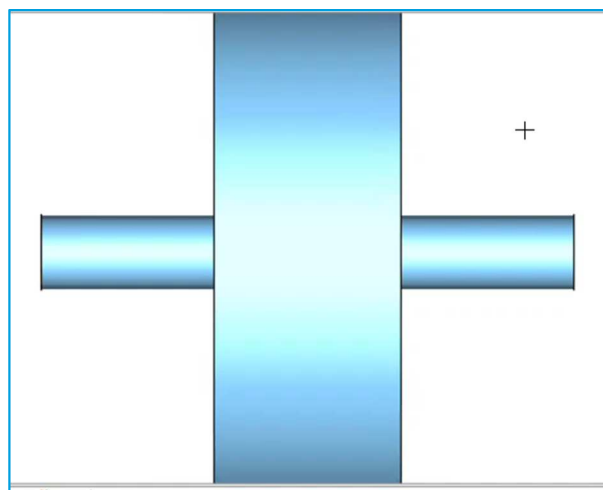
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## 2. Avoid HOMs: Structure Design

### Geometry

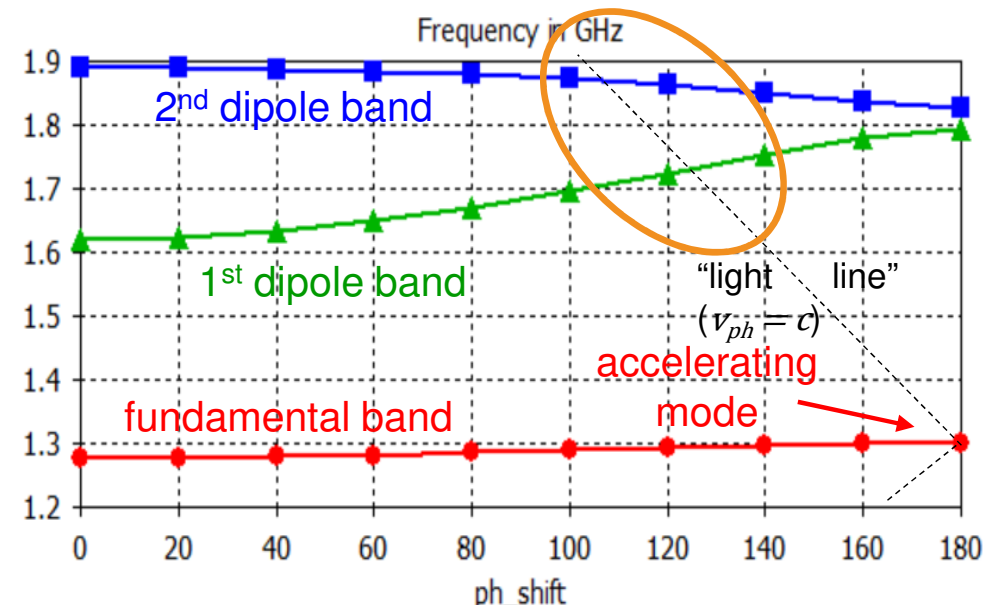
- Optimize the cell **geometry** for low loss factors for HOMs, while aiming at high value for the accelerating mode
- Remember: the loss factor depends only on the geometry



*Courtesy of S.A. Udongwo*

- For multi-cell structures pay particular attention to the **quasi synchronous modes**

Dispersion diagram of a TESLA cavity  
(single cell simulation with periodic boundaries)

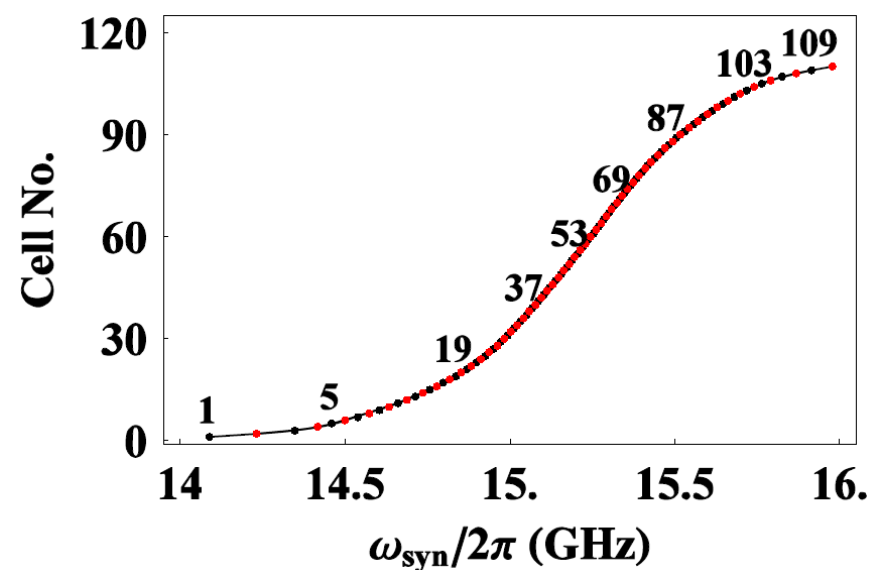


## 2. Avoid HOMs: Structure Design

### Geometry (2)

- **Avoid** to have HOMs with frequency matching a **bunch harmonics**
  - That would give a resonant amplification along bunch train
- **Detune** cells along (long) structure
  - Vary cell dimensions along a NC structure  
 $\Rightarrow$  overall HOM effects decohere

Interleaving of cell frequencies  
of a structure for CLIC



*R.M. Jones, CAS 2010*

## 2. Avoid HOMs: Structure Design

### Material

- Choose **material** of the cavity walls for low HOM quality factors  $Q_0$ .
- However this is decided by the purpose of the cavity:  
choice of technology, type of beam to be accelerated, etc.
- This determines the  $Q_0$  of the HOMs

## 2. Avoid HOMs: Structure Design

### HOM damping: Requirement

- Add something to extract HOM fields, but leave accelerating fields untouched

$$1/Q_{total} = 1/Q_0 + 1/Q_{ext}$$

- if  $Q_{ext} \ll Q_0 \Rightarrow Q_{total} \cong Q_{ext}$
- How much damping is enough?
- **Requirement:** from BBU models or beam dynamics calculations

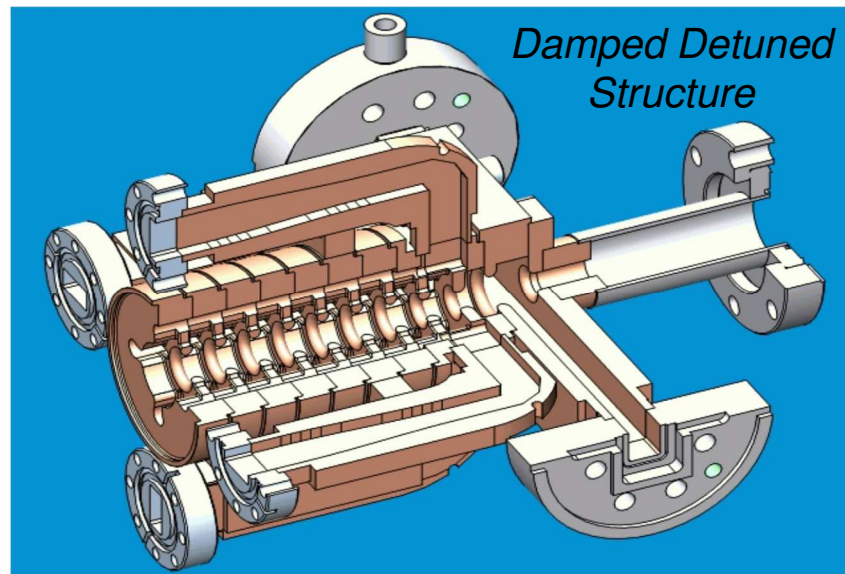
e.g.

- lecture on “*Longitudinal instabilities & Intensity effects*” by Elena Shaposhnikova
- *W. Lou et al., PRAB-ST 22, 112801 (2019)*
- *N. Baboi, EPAC2000, THP3B05*

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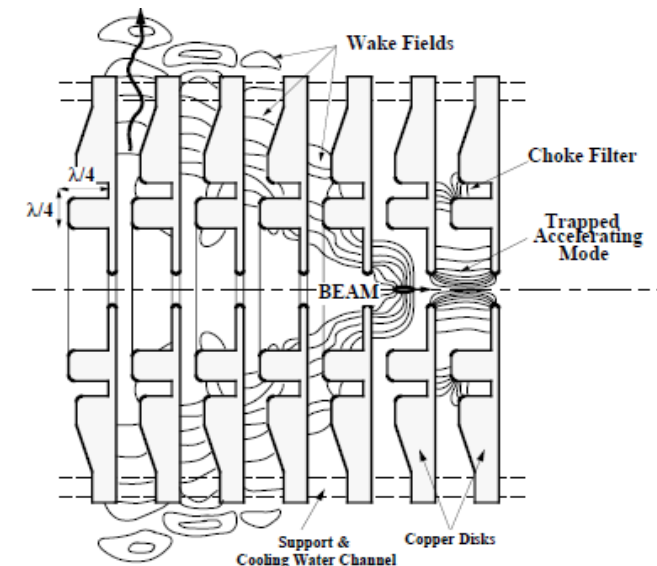
### HOM damping in each cell

- Add ports **in each cell**: waveguides, couplers
- **Notch filter** at the accelerating frequency



*R.M. Jones, CAS 2010*

*HOM-free linear accelerating structure using choke mode cavity*



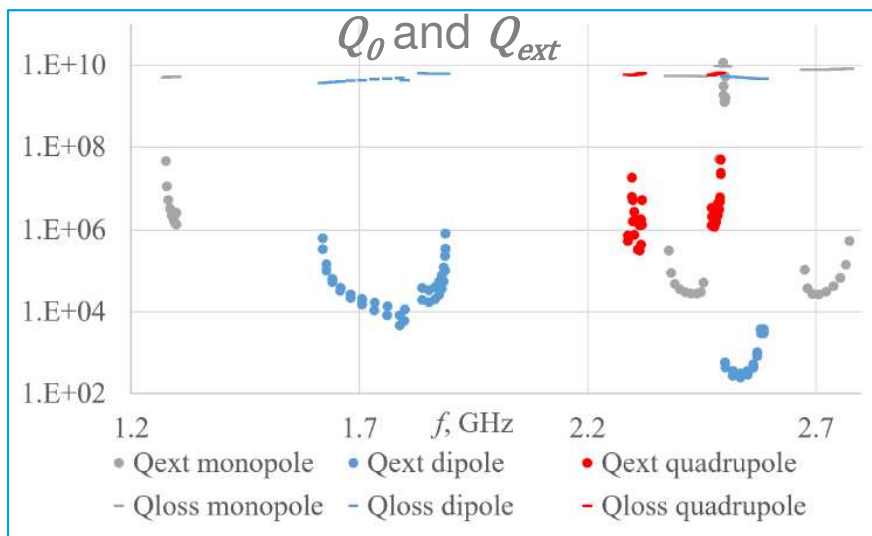
*T. Shintake, PAC'95*

- Particularly good for trapped modes in detuned structures

# 2. Avoid HOMs: Structure Design

## HOM damping at end of structure

- Add ports at the end of the accelerating structure: waveguides, couplers

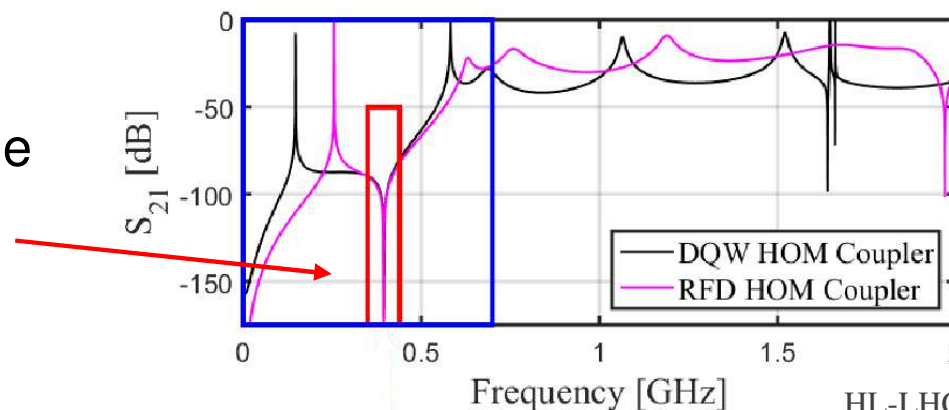


TESLA cavity used in MESA

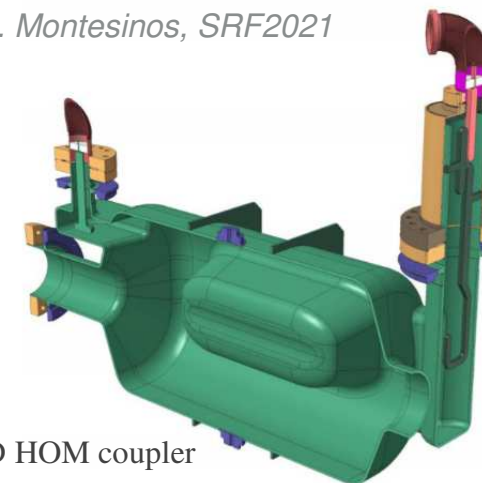
HOM couplers

*S. Glukhov, PhD thesis, TU Darmstadt, 2022*

- Notch filter at the accelerating frequency



*E. Montesinos, SRF2021*



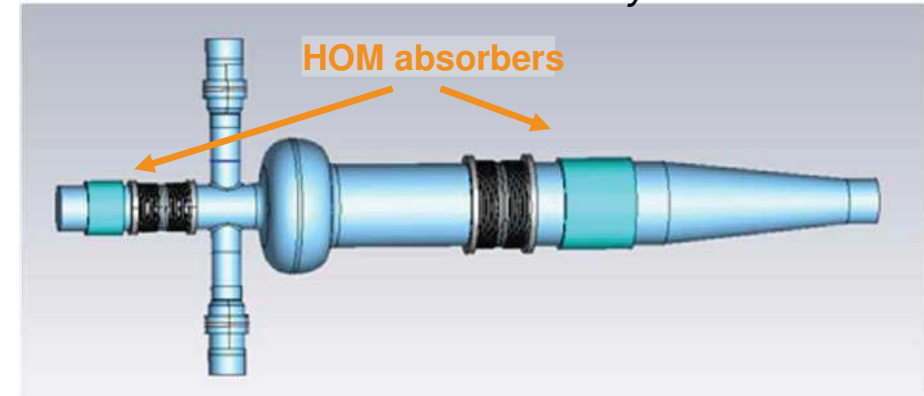
HL-LHC RFD HOM coupler

# 2. Avoid HOMs: Structure Design

## HOM damping in the beam pipe

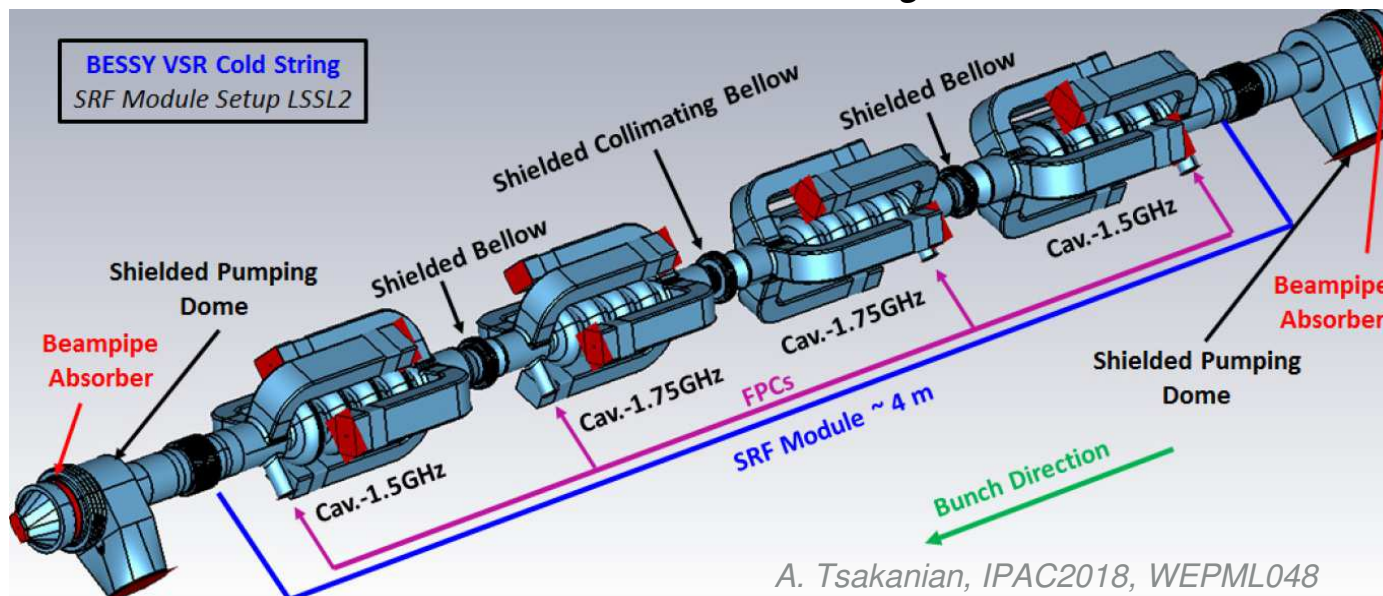
- Damping materials:  
HOM absorbers in the beam pipe
- The accelerating frequency is below the cut off of the beam pipe

591 MHz 1-cell SRF cavity at BNL



R. Rimmer, eeFACT2022, WEXAS0101

BESSY VSR cold string



A. Tsakanian, IPAC2018, WEPML048



## 2. Avoid HOMs: Accelerator design

### Accelerator design

- Design optics such that the HOM effects are not dramatic
  - E.g. Recirculation Arcs Lattice Optimization in ERLs
  - Add non-linear elements etc.
  
- Choose **bunch frequency** (or design accelerator) such that the strongest HOMs are not at bunch multipoles, so that they do not add up coherently
  - Often not a real option

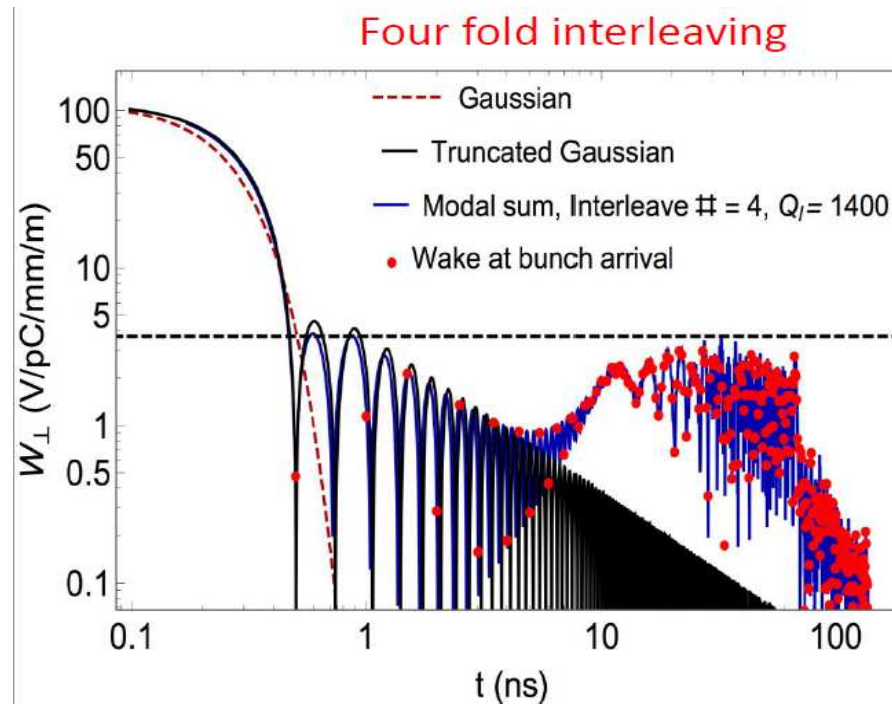
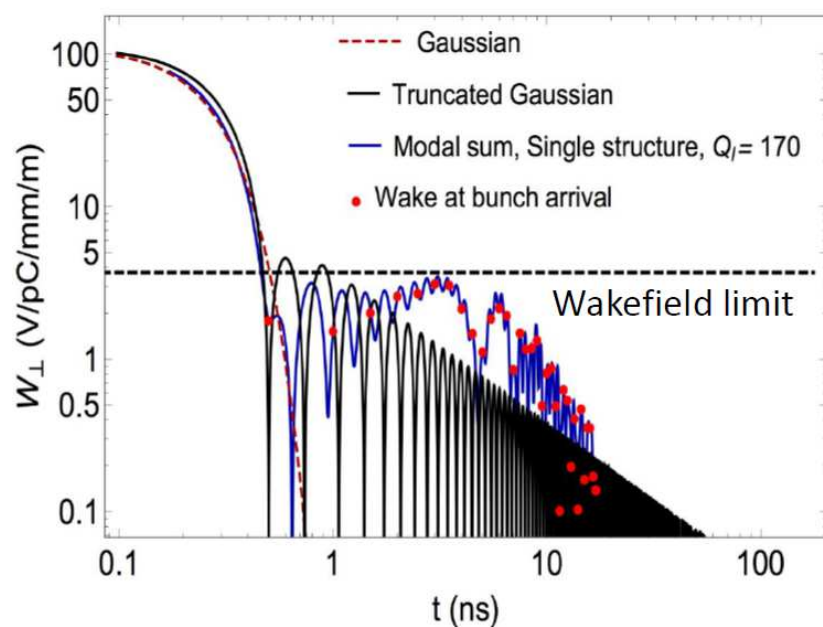
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# 2. Avoid HOMs: Accelerator design

## Structure interleaving

- Make 2 or more slightly different designs (classes) for the accelerating structure such that the long-range wakefields do not add up coherently from structure to structure

Interleaving for CLIC structures



*N. Joshi, EuCARD-2 Meeting, 2017*

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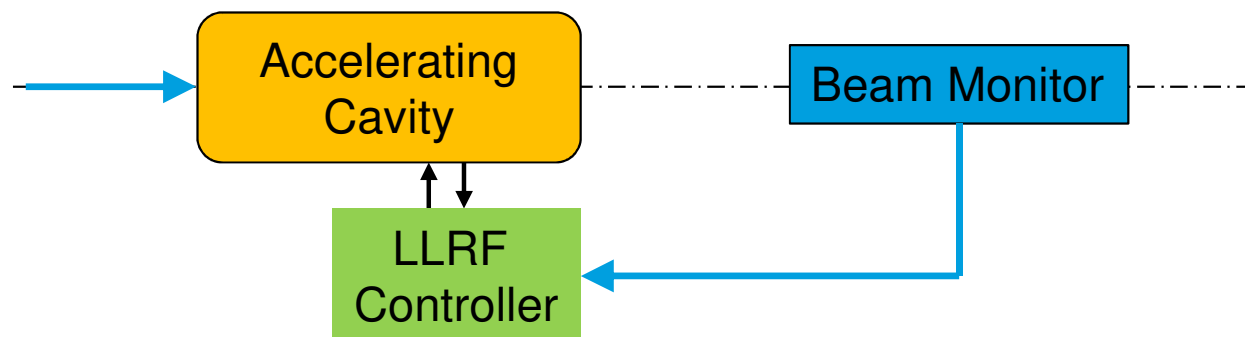
**Beam Alignment**

**Cavity detuning and retuning**

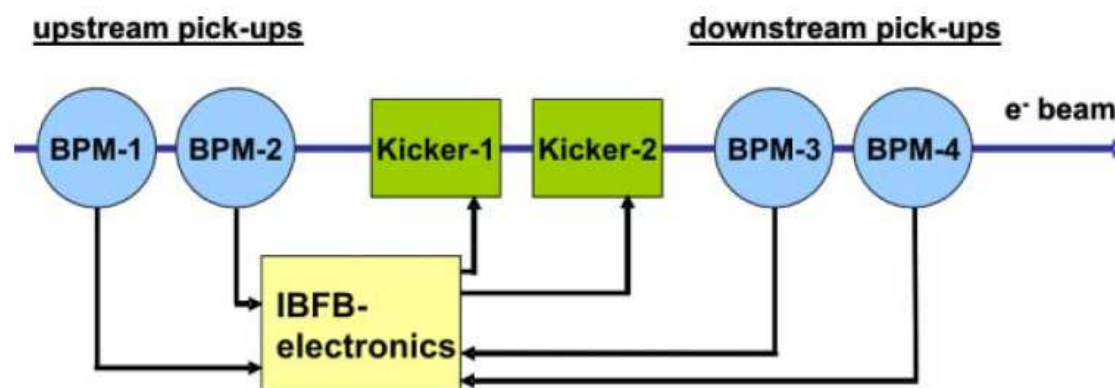
# 3. Compensate HOMs: Fast Feedbacks

## Compensation of spread in bunch arrival time and beam offset

- **Longitudinal HOMs** induce a variation of the bunch energy, and therefore the bunch arrival time (or beam phase)
  - Measure beam arrival time, energy etc. → feedback to LLRF



- **Transverse HOMs** induce a spread in the bunch orbit (multi-bunch emittance growth)
  - Fast orbit feedback



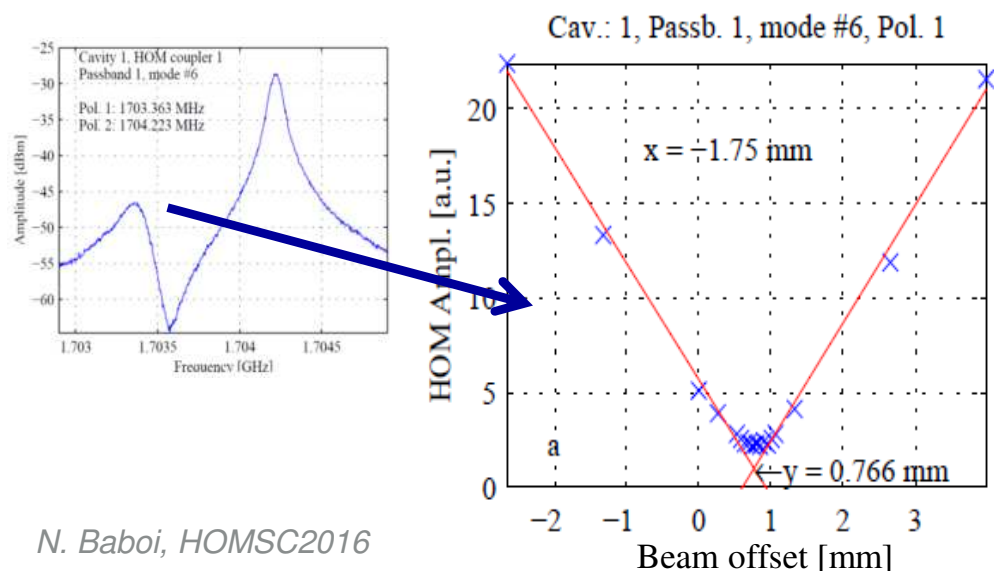
*V. Schlott, EPAC 2006, THPCH096*

# 3. Compensate HOMs: Beam Alignment

## Beam alignment to avoid transverse HOM excitation

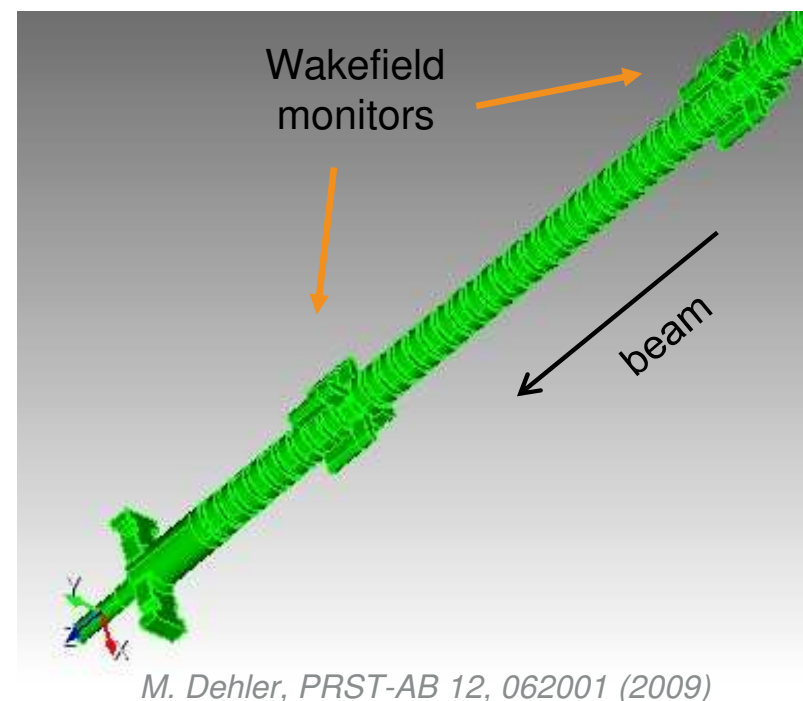
- Transverse effects mainly from dipole modes
- The dipole fields depend only on the offset of the exciting bunch
- $\Rightarrow$  Monitor dipole modes through couplers, and align the beam to minimize their strength

Amplitude of dipole mode signal versus exciting bunch offset for a TESLA cavity



N. Baboi, HOMSC2016

Dedicated alignment monitors in a X-band structure



# 3. Compensate HOMs: Retuning

## Cavity detuning and retuning

- It may happen that one HOM unluckily hits a beam spectrum line
  - $\Rightarrow$  Resonant amplification of HOM field
- **Detune and retune** the operating mode back to the resonance
  - HOMs move because of small inelastic deformation

Detuning and retuning a 1.3 GHz ILC-type cavity

F, MHz	$\Delta F$ , kHz	$\delta F$ , Hz	Passband
1300	90	0	1Monopole
1600.093	-218	360	1Dipole
1604.536	-215	240	1Dipole
1607.951	-214	360	1Dipole
1612.189	-210	360	1Dipole
1621.344	-211	240	1Dipole
1625.458	-208	370	1Dipole
1830.836	-185	370	2Dipole
1859.882	-36	120	2Dipole

*N. Solyak, IPAC10, TUPEA020*

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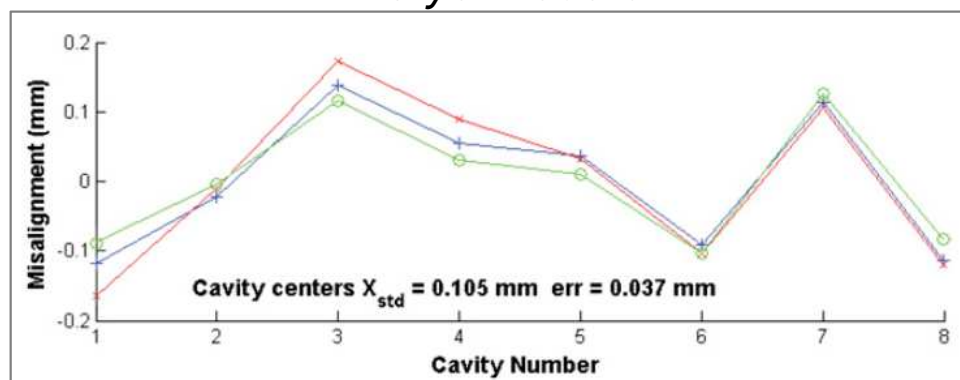
**Diagnostic of Beam**

# 4. Use HOMs

## Diagnostic of accelerating structures

- Monitor HOMs through damping couplers
  - Measure cell alignment
    - Due to varying cell dimensions along detuned structure, the modes are localized in part of it giving information on different cells
  - Monitor SC cavity alignment in cryo-module
    - Monitor dipole mode

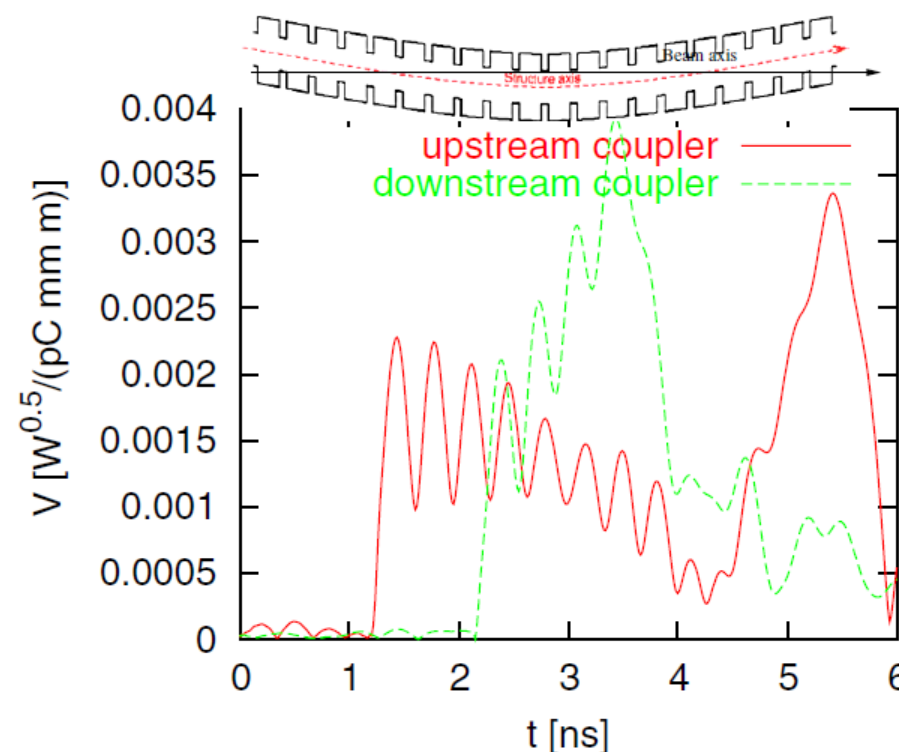
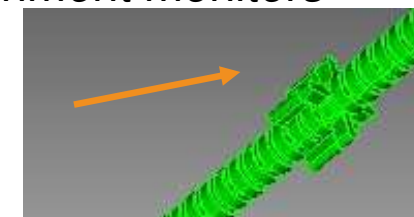
*Transverse offset of SC TESLA cavities in cryo-module*



*S. Molloy, Meas. Sci. Technol. 18, 2314 (2007)*

*X-band rf structure with integrated alignment monitors*

Wakefield monitors



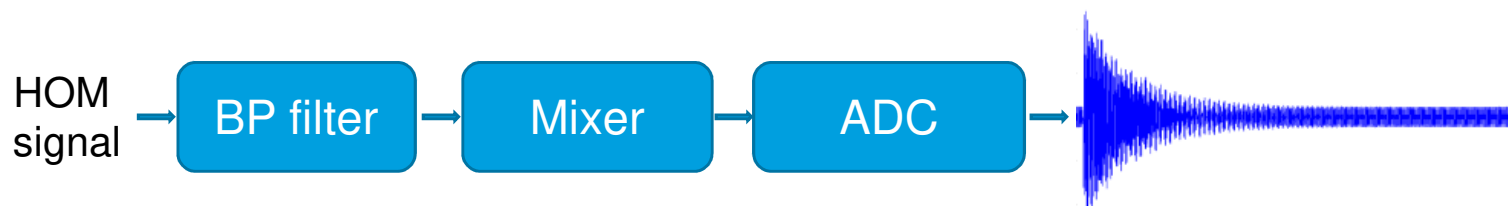
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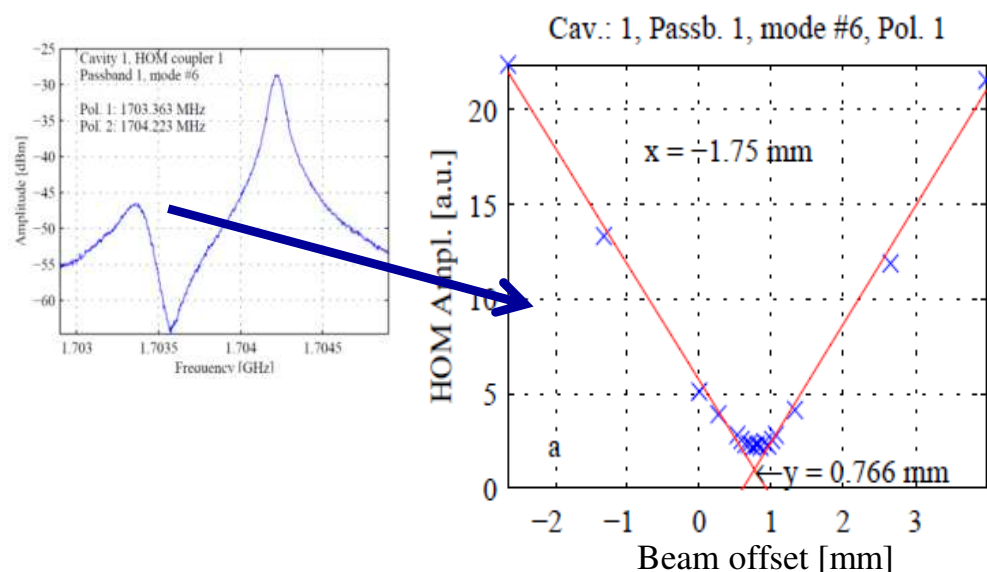
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## Diagnostic of beam

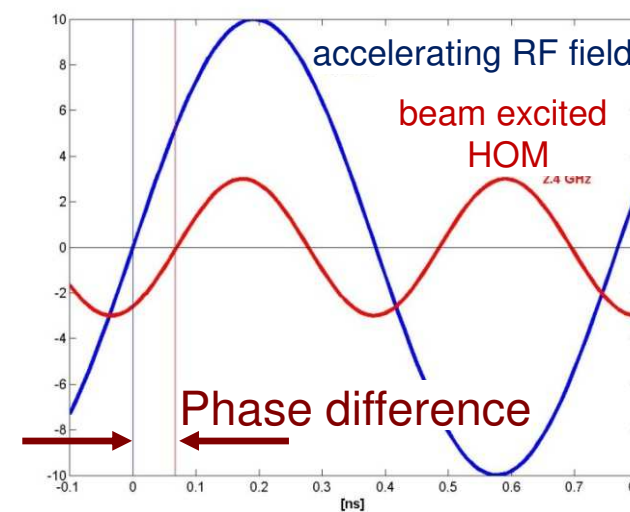
- Monitor selected HOMs (e.g. with downconverting electronics)



Beam position measurement with dipole modes (like with a cavity BPM)



RF phase measurement wrt to beam



N. Baboi, HOMSC2016

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## HOM mitigation

- HOMs can decrease the beam quality to an unacceptable degree
- **Avoid** HOM excitation
  - Design of accelerating structure
  - Design of accelerator
- **Compensate** excited HOMs
  - Feedbacks
  - Beam alignment
  - Detune and retune cavity
- **Use** the excited HOMs
  - Measure the cell or cavity alignment
  - Measure beam offset, beam phase
- Only a selection of methods was shown
- **There are many more methods to mitigate HOMs**

**Know your HOMs!**

# Thank you!

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