



# Waveform needs for (selected) RF systems considerations & examples

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2. RF systems overview
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# Introduction



Talk partially off-topic: not Power Supply-focused!

**BUY**

## ❖ RF systems:

- Important waveforms (or reference functions) “customer” (radial position, cavity voltage, phase control ...)
- May be very demanding (implementation-dependent)
- Joannes responsible for general controls, so topic is of interest...

## ❖ This workshop:

- First iteration ➔ probably more questions than answers
- Excellent initiative to start the ball rolling



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# RF systems overview



- ❖ **Aim:** bunch & accelerate particles + RF gymnastics.

- ❖ **Two RF parts:**

- low-level RF = low-power
- high-level RF = high-power

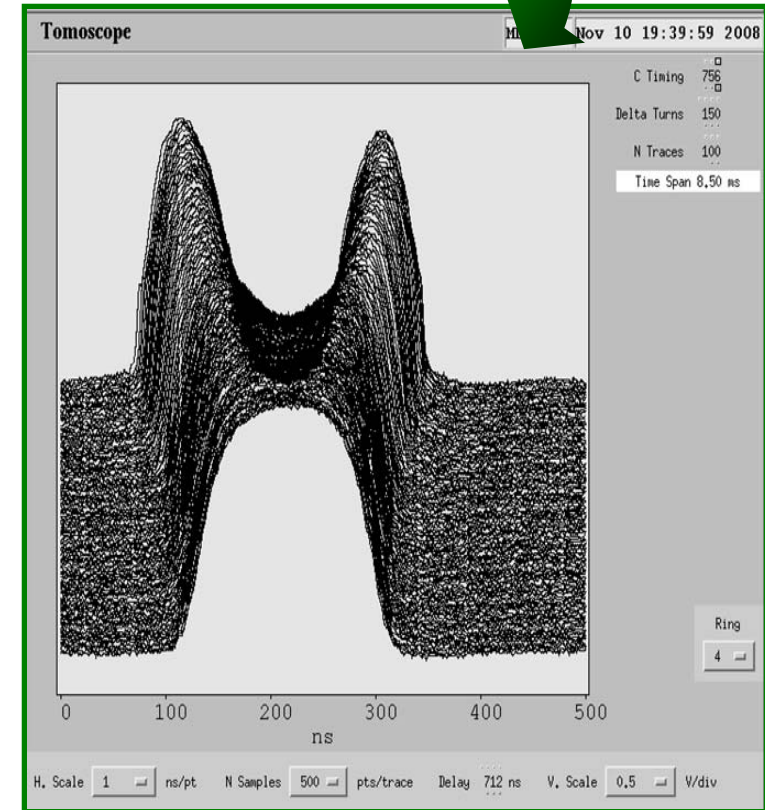
- ❖ **Feedforward control & feedback loops:**

- **Beam loops:** beam phase, radial, synchro ...  
beam dynamics plays important role.
- **Cavity loops:** voltage, tuning, fast RF feedback

→ **Reference functions essential !**

- ❖ **Power supplies:**

- do not receive direct control
- responsibility typically PO; RF specify them (with HLRF part) & use them.



Bunch splitting process in PSB [1] - mountain range view.

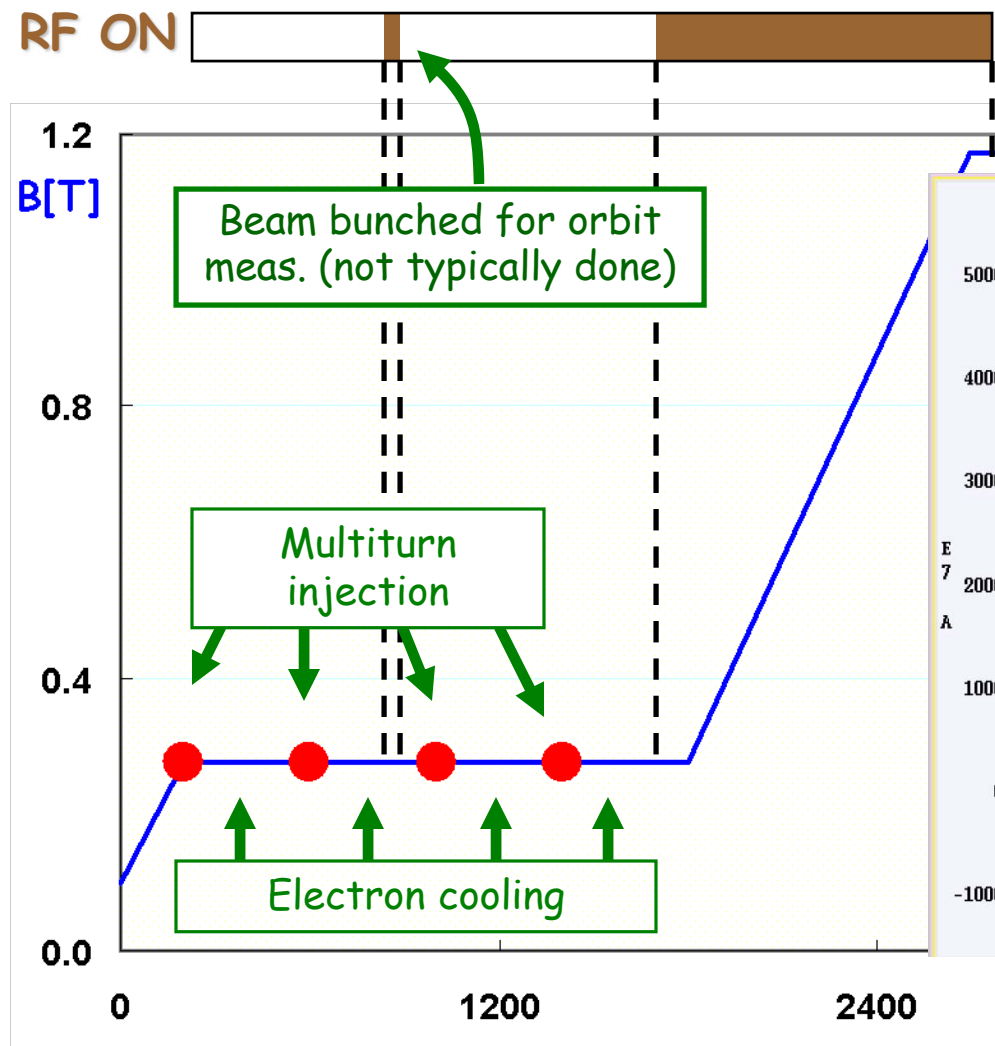


# RF systems overview - machines considered

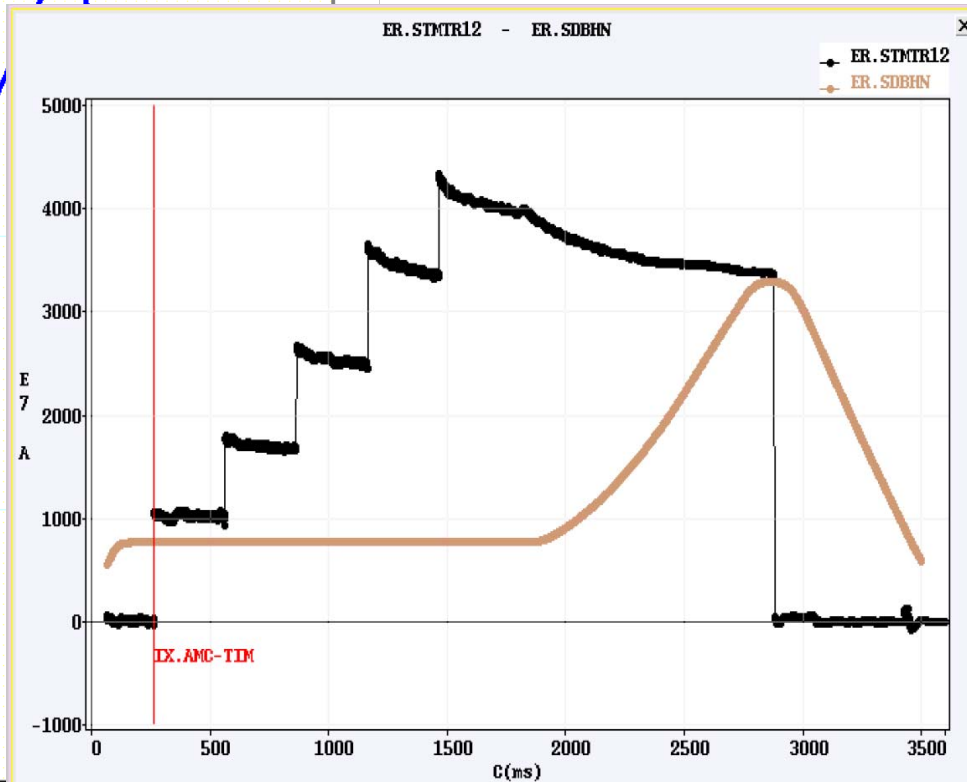
- ❖ Machines considered in this talk : High  $f_{REV}$  + high  $f_{REV}$  swing.  
@CERN: LEIR and PSB (4 stacked rings).
- ❖ CNAO LLRF [2]: based upon LEIR LLRF [3] & tested on PSB [4].

Parameter		Unit	LEIR (Pb <sup>54+</sup> )	PSB (p)	CNAO (C <sub>12</sub> <sup>6+</sup> )
Injection	$f_{REV,I}$	MHz	0.361	0.599	0.47
	$T_I$	MeV/u	4.2	49.62	7
Extraction	$f_{REV,E}$	MHz	1.423	1.746	2.756
	$T_E$	MeV/u	72.2	1374.2	400 (max)
Synchrotron frequency	$f_{S,MIN}$	Hz	600	470	521
	$f_{S,MAX}$	Hz	2000	2000	1450
Circumference		m	78	157	78
dB/dt		T/s	1.3 (ex)	2.3 (ex)	3 (max)
Acceleration duration		s	~1	0.5	0.77 (max)

# RF systems overview: machine cycle example



LEIR's *NOMINAL* cycle - qualitative view.



Measured LEIR parameters: magnetic field (brown) & beam intensity (black).

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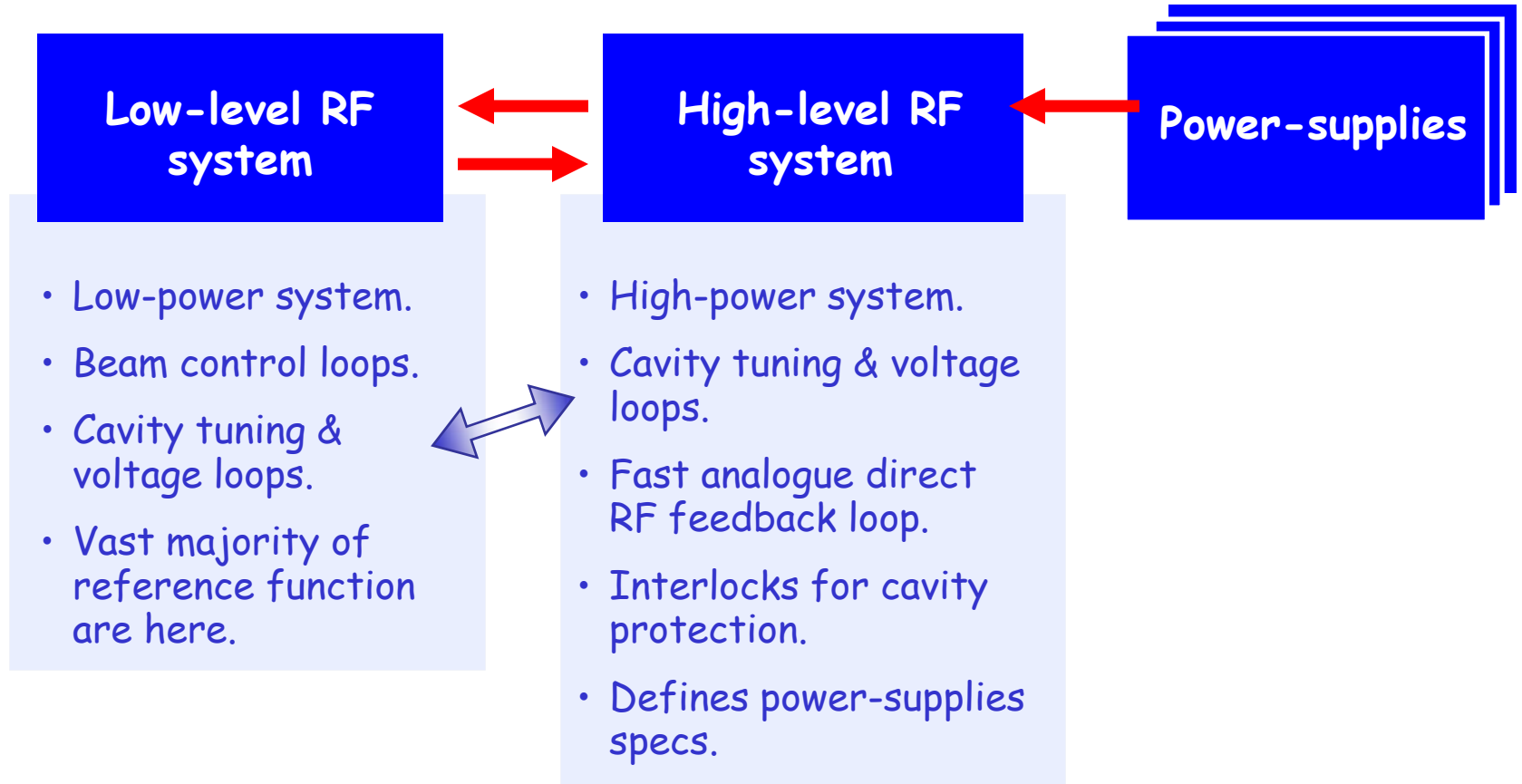
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# RF levels



Responsibility:	RF	RF	PO (RF)
Location:	Local CR	Ring	Ring



# RF levels: LLRF



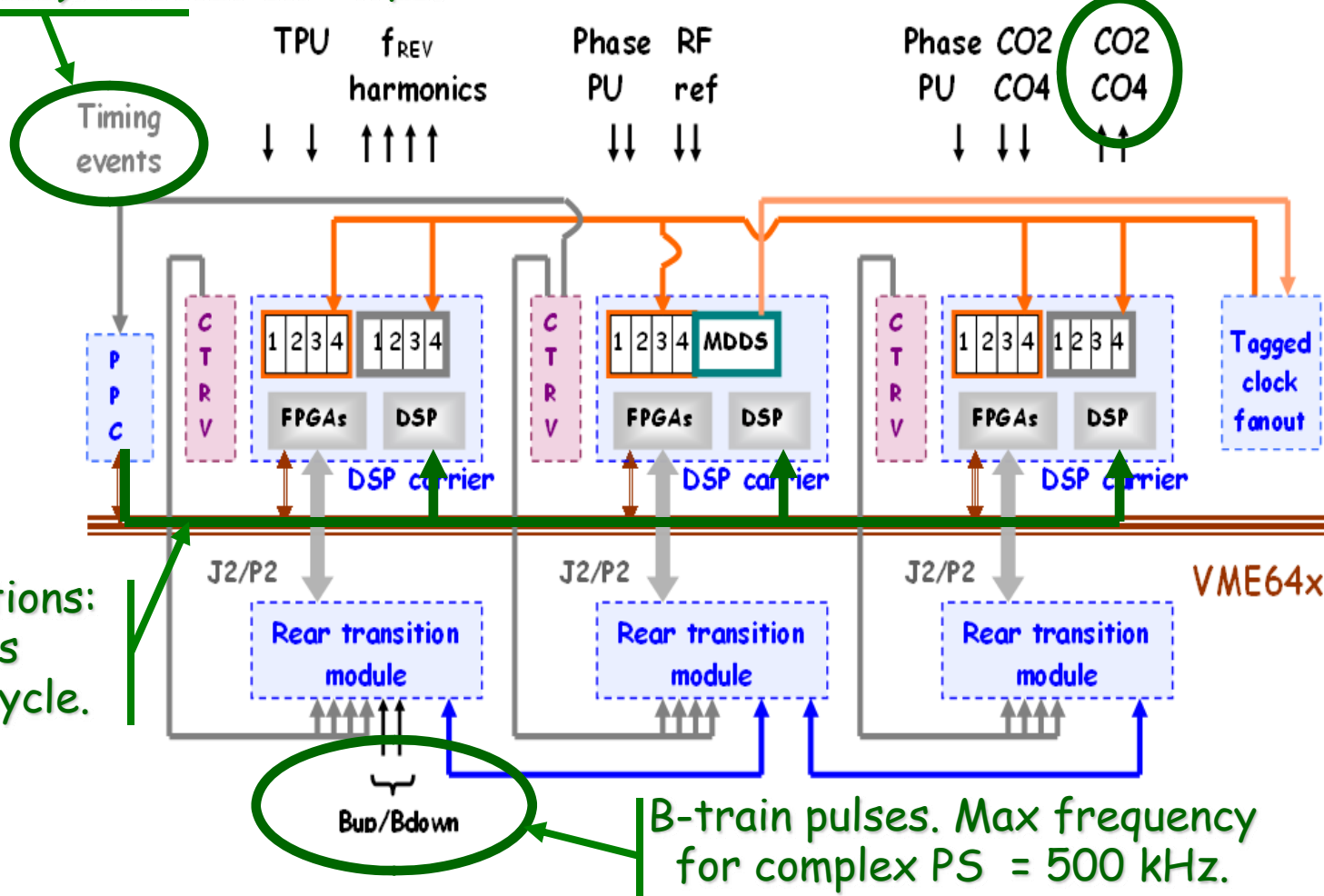
- ❖ Trend: digital implementation (powerful & flexible). Strong data processing capabilities needed [5].
- ❖ Bus
  - CERN (new systems): VME(64x) + (currently) PPC master VME.
  - CNAO: 25 MHz serial link (fast control) + Ethernet (slow control)
- ❖ BTrain
  - CERN: Analogue pulses ( $B_{UP}$ ,  $B_{DOWN}$ ), freq. up to 500 kHz, res. = 0.1 G.
  - CNAO:  $f_{REV}$  from ( $B_{UP}$ ,  $B_{DOWN}$ ) & distributed by serial link (300 kHz).
- ❖ Reference functions
  - CERN: Digital tables uploaded to RF system or to analogue-signal-generation h/w before each cycle (up to 200 kHz signal update rate).
  - CNAO: distributed via serial link (300 kHz).

# RF levels: digital LLRF @CERN



Timings: analogue pulses or software events (tables). Resolution =  $k \cdot \mu s$ .

Analogue signals to cavities



Reference functions: vector tables uploaded each cycle.

Digital LLRF system used for PSB LLRF upgrade tests (2008) [1].

# RF levels: HLRF



- ❖ Often controls not directly but from LLRF only.
- ❖ Interlocks for cavity protection **must** be implemented here.
- ❖ Voltage + tuning loops typically needed.
- ❖ Defines power supplies specs., typically for CW operation.

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# RF system example: LEIR



## ❖ Fully-digital LLRF [6]:

- In 2009 to implement cavity voltage loop;
- Short-circuits cavity in real time by gap-relay.
- Implements cavity interlock
- Diagnostic info: 12 signals /cycle observable out of >150.
- Reference functions: 

Function name	Meaning
<b>EA.FGRSTEER</b>	Radial Steering
<b>EA.FGFREVCORR</b>	Frequency correction
<b>EA.FGRLGAIN</b>	Radial loop gain
<b>EA.FGBEAMPOFF</b>	Beam phase offset
<b>EA.FGVC1H1</b>	Cavity 1 voltage harmonic 1
<b>EA.FGVC1H2</b>	Cavity 1 voltage harmonic 2
<b>EA.FGPC1H2</b>	Cavity 1 harmonic 2 phase
<b>EA.FGVC2H1</b>	Cavity 2 voltage harmonic 1
<b>EA.FGVC2H2</b>	Cavity 2 voltage harmonic 2
<b>EA.FGPC2H2</b>	Cavity 2 harmonic 2 phase

## ❖ Wideband cavity, Finemet-based [7]: tuning loop not needed.

## ❖ PLC manages cavity operation & safety interlocks.

## ❖ Remote cavity control (Level1-Level2) & observation:

- Diagnostics signals ( $T$ ,  $I_{ANODE}$ ,  $V_{GRID}$  ...) to be available asynchronously @1 Hz ( FESA s/w limitation).

# RF system example: future PSB

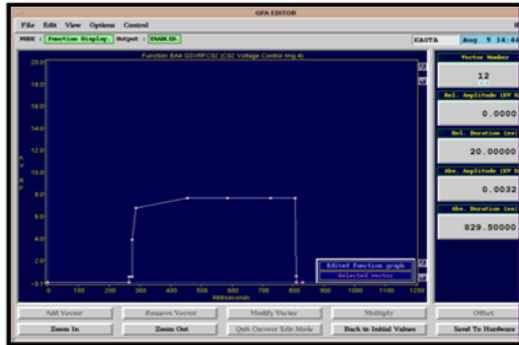


- ❖ Digital LLRF [1] to be implemented by 2014 (4 rings).
- ❖ 3 HLRF systems per ring: C02, C04, C16 [8].
- ❖ For historical reasons, power supplies under total RF responsibility.
- ❖ Tuning & voltage loops now in HLRF. Under evaluation their move to LLRF.
- ❖ Limitations and over-current protection in HLRF.
- ❖ Desired cavity voltage sent to cavity as analogue signal (200 kHz update rate).

# RF system example: future PSB (cont'd)



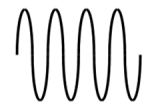
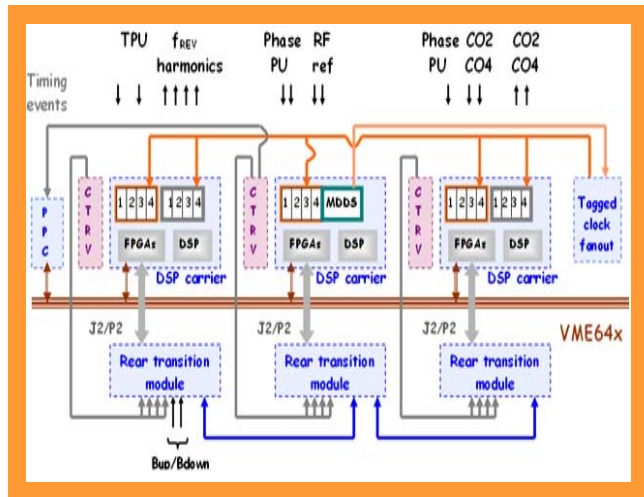
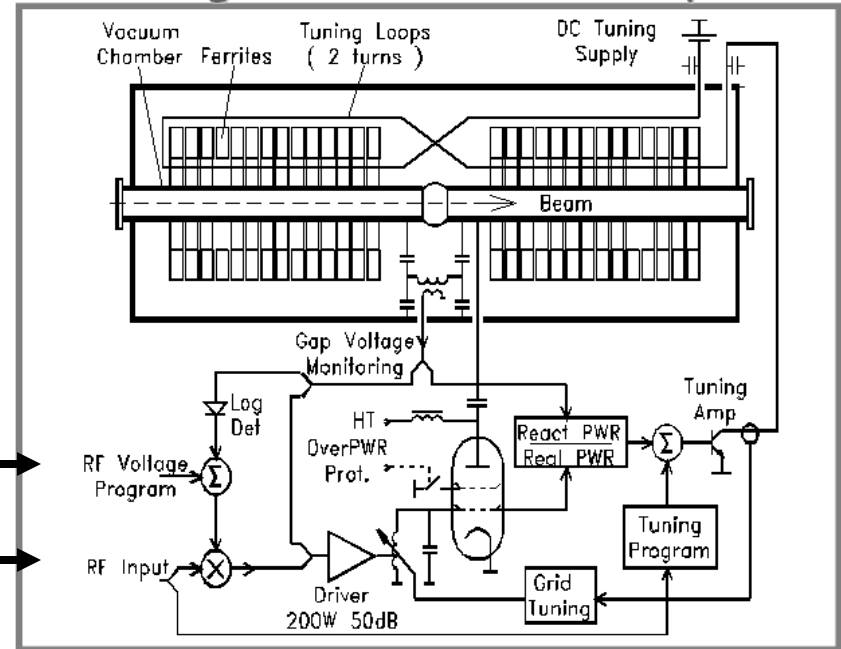
CO<sub>2</sub> cavity voltage [kV]



Analogue signal - update rate = 200 kHz



High-level RF CO<sub>2</sub> cavity



RF-modulated signal from LLRF

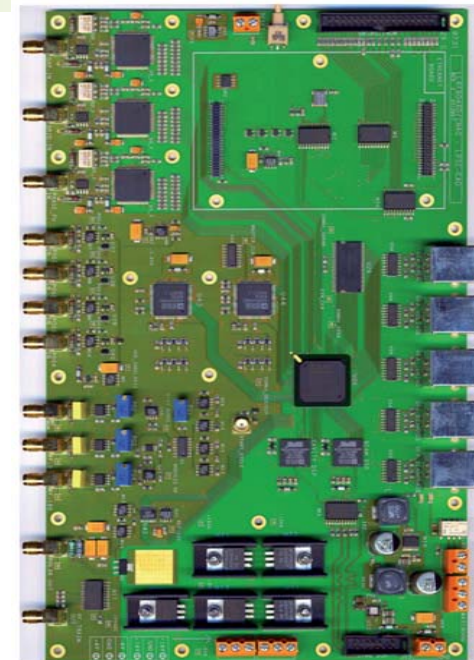
Future PSB RF system for CO<sub>2</sub> cavity, one ring.



# RF system example: CNAO LLRF



- ❖ Based on LEIR LLRF, built by LPSC [2] & tested on PSB ring 4 @CERN [4].
- ❖ 32-bits serial link for fast controls:
  - up to 300 kHz update rate
  - reference functions = 24 bits
  - other controls (ex: timings) = 8 bits
- ❖ Diagnostics data: acquired via Ethernet link. Data time-resolution up to 3  $\mu$ s.
- ❖ External board calculates frequency from (B-train).
- ❖ Reference functions:
  - Frequency.
  - Cavity voltage amplitude
  - Expected cavity polarisation current
  - Beam radial position
  - Stable phase program.



CNAO LLRF board [2]

# RF system example: CNAO cavity



- ❖ From TERA collaboration (Saturne @Saclay).
- ❖ Must stay ON for up to 10 sec (slow extraction).
- ❖ Power supply status monitored remotely.
- ❖ Diagnostics signals ( $I_{ANODE}$ ,  $V_{ANODE}$ ,  $V_{GRID}$  ...) to be observed remotely (up to 1 kHz).

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# Waveforms requirements - summary



## ❖ Control waveforms:

- Up to ~200 kHz for non-B-train reference functions.
- Non-B-train reference functions can be pre-set. Most demanding often cavity voltage (iso-adiabatic capture).
- Depends on max dB/dt if frequency is distributed. B-train resolution of 0.1 G is "standard".

## ❖ Observation:

- LLRF to provide many diagnostics data.
- Data from cavity to be observed (up to 1 kHz observation?)
- Interlocks HLRF.

## ❖ Interlocks:

- Must be implemented in HLRF.
- Should be implemented in LLRF, too, if possible.

# Conclusions



- ❖ Waveforms needed for LLRF + HLRF. Rate & type depend on RF system implementation.
- ❖ Waveforms control: most demanding (by far) is frequency as a function of B-train.
- ❖ Observation:
  - LLRF to provide many diagnostics data.
  - Data from cavity to be observed (up to 1 kHz observation?)
- ❖ Interlocks to be implemented in HLRF and possibly in LLRF.
- ❖ Power supplies characteristics for RF system depend on HLRF.  
⇒ Define it asap to get info!

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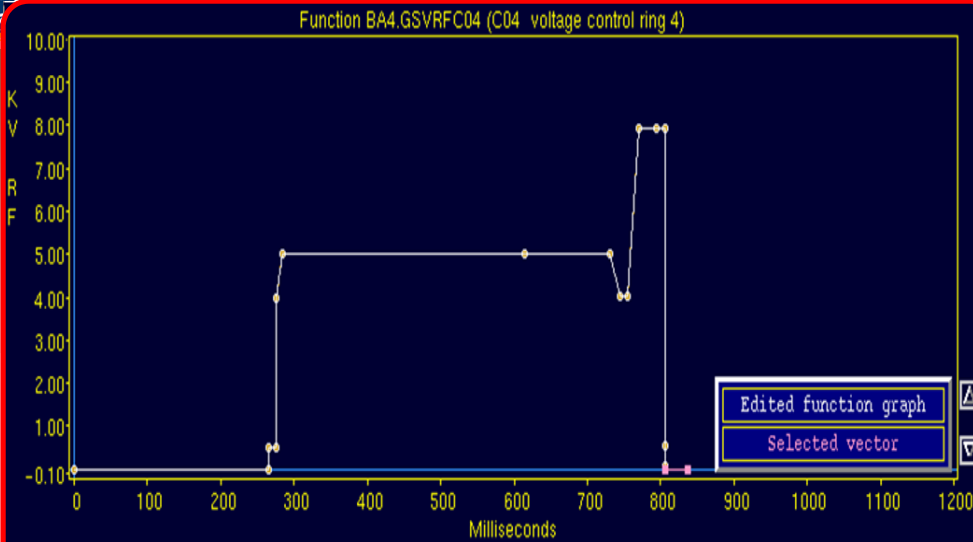


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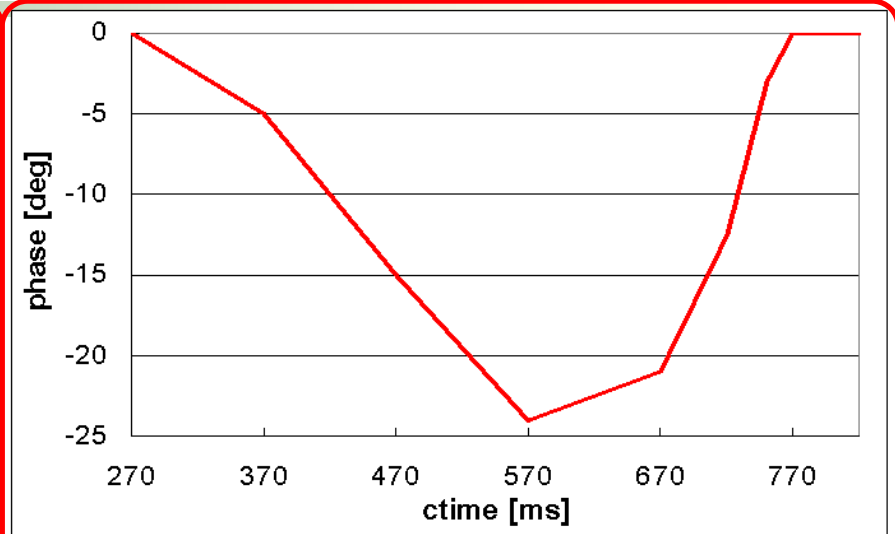
# Additional slides

# RF levels: example of RF ref. functions



CERN PSB C04 voltage for bunch-splitting.

Analogue voltages (5  $\mu$ s period)  
generated by dedicated hardware.  
(GFAS).



CERN PSB C04 phase wrt C02 phase.

Software tables used in LLRF  
loops.

**NB: Reference functions above**

- ❖ Uploaded to h/w before each cycle
- ❖ Used by CERN Meyrin machines.
- ❖ Don't include B-train-related params.