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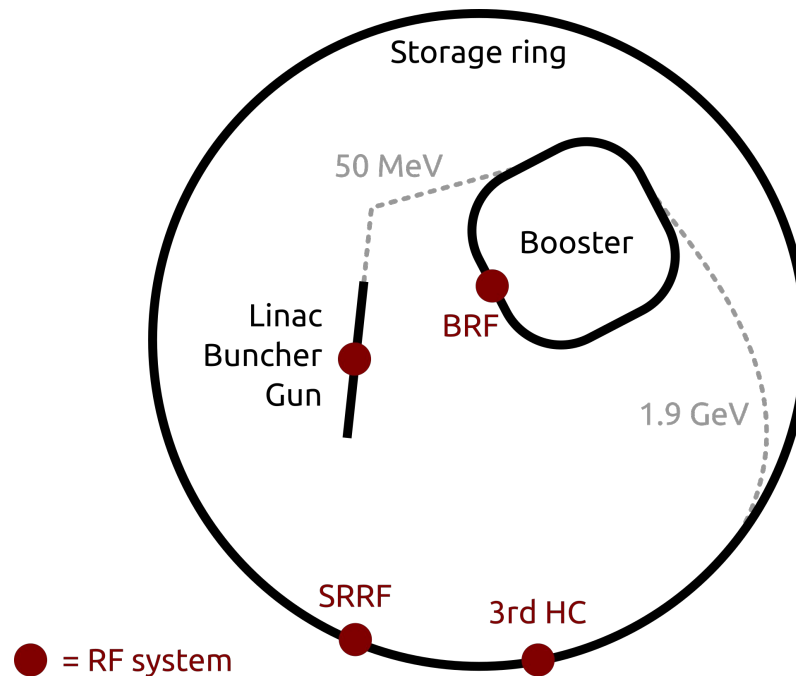
# The ALS RF systems, upgrades and ALS-U plans

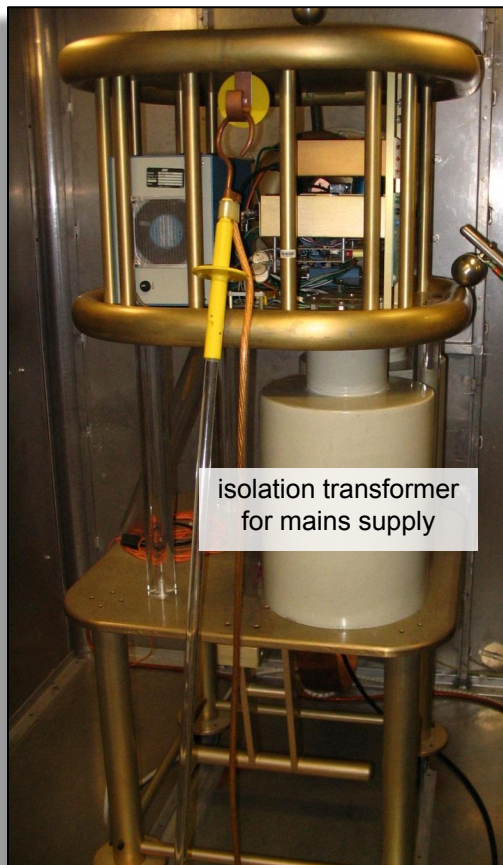
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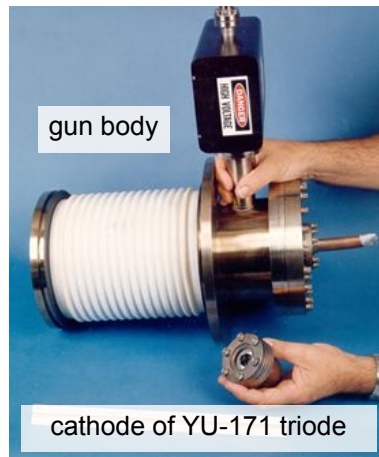
- RF systems in the Advanced Light Source (**ALS**)
- 2017 - 2018 **work** on the ALS storage ring RF
- Plans for the **ALS-U** RF



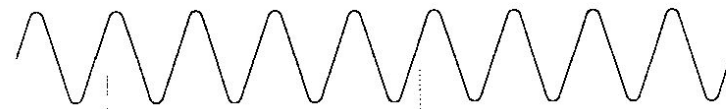


## hot deck @ -120 kV

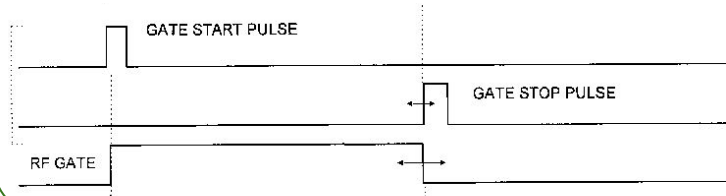
- Heater PS
- Bias PS
- **25 W RF drive amp. (ENI 325)**
- Several optical links for control, monitor and RF



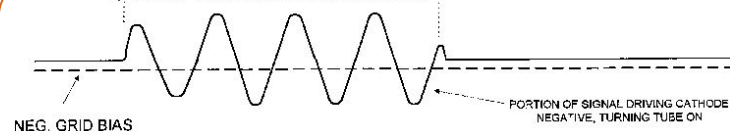
## 125 MHz from master oscillator



## Gating from timing system

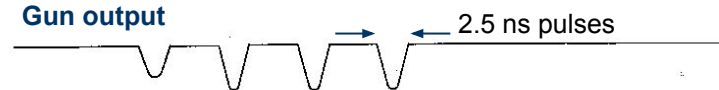


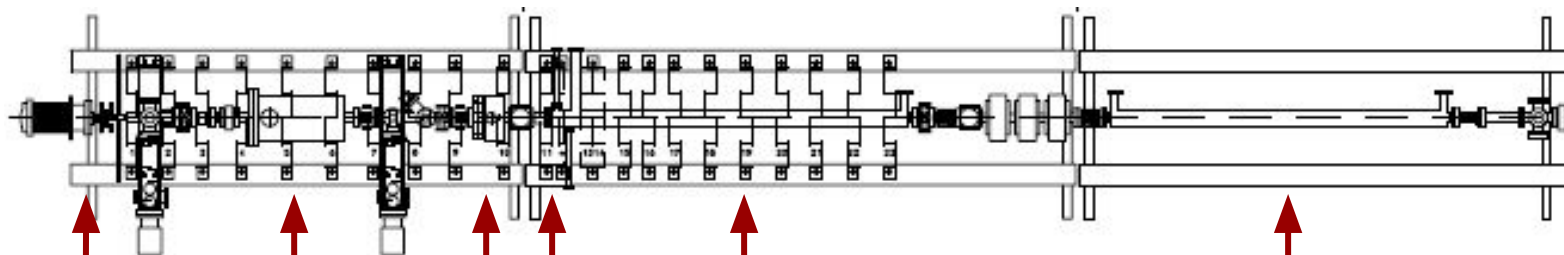
## GATED RF SIGNAL / DRIVER AMP. OUTPUT



→ analog optical link to drive amp on hot deck

## Gun output





E-Gun

125 MHz buncher

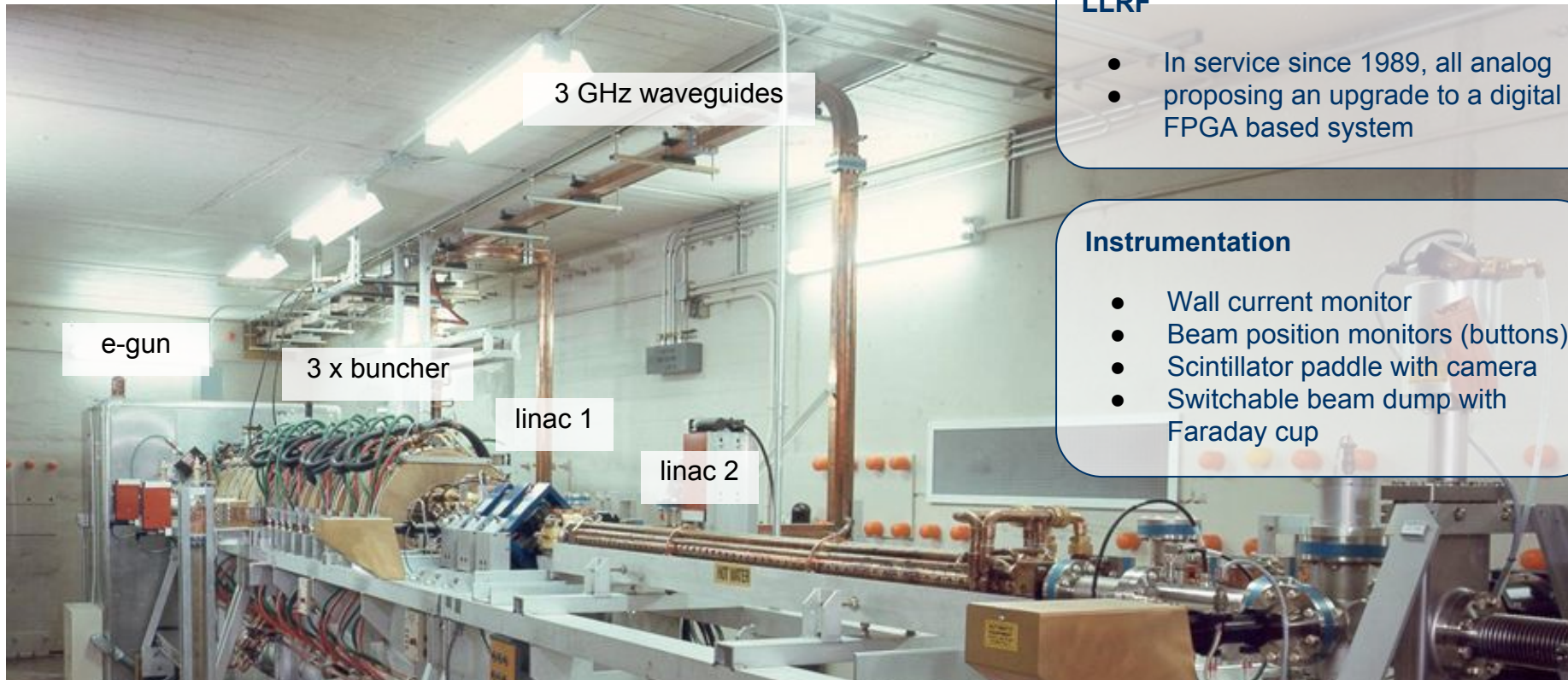
500 MHz buncher

3 GHz buncher

3 GHz linac 1

3 GHz linac 2

RF power [kW]		24	18	4000	16000		16000	
Bunch length [ns]	2.50	0.80	0.20	0.02				0.01
Energy [MeV]	0.12					25		50

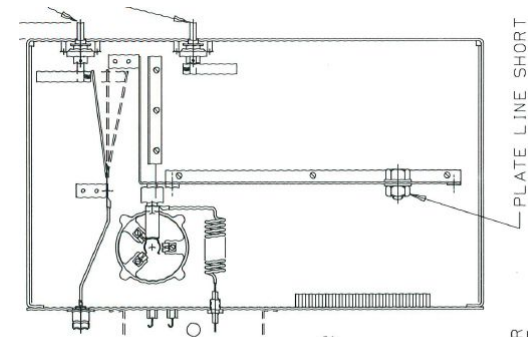
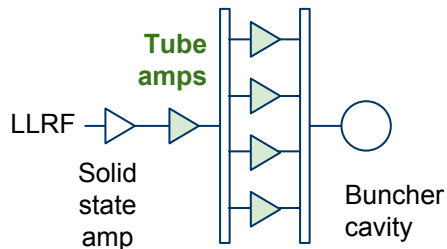


## LLRF

- In service since 1989, all analog
- proposing an upgrade to a digital FPGA based system

## Instrumentation

- Wall current monitor
- Beam position monitors (buttons)
- Scintillator paddle with camera
- Switchable beam dump with Faraday cup



### 125MHz: 5 x Eimac CV-2222

- $P_{out} \sim 24$  kW for  $\sim 30$  us

### 500MHz: 5 x Eimac CV-2404

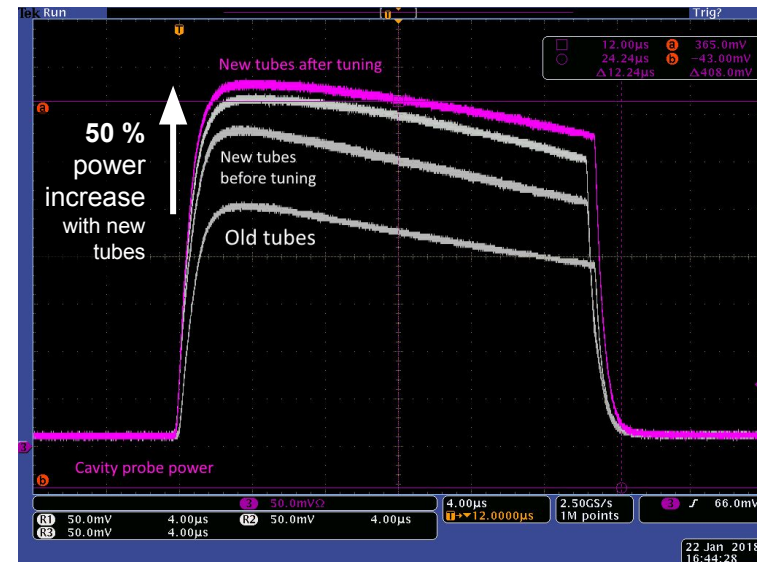
- $P_{out} \sim 18$  kW for  $\sim 30$  us

### 2018 Maintenance

- All 10 tubes replaced in 2018
- Sockets cleaned of dust
- All amplifier cavities re-aligned
- 50 % increase in gain & output power



**Eimac 3CPX800A7**  
Lifetime 10-12 years



## 2 x Thales TV-2002 Klystrons

- 24 MW, 2 $\mu$ s, 1 Hz, 50 W avg.
- In service: 1989

## Klystron lifetimes [years]

linac 1: 17, 10, 2+

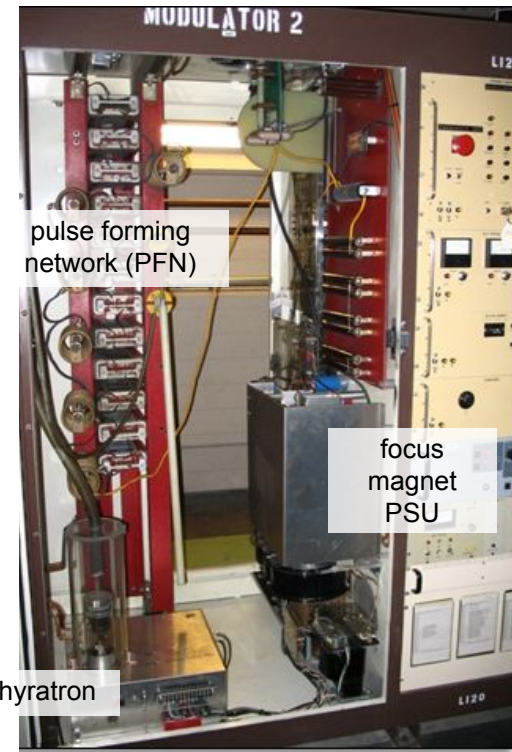
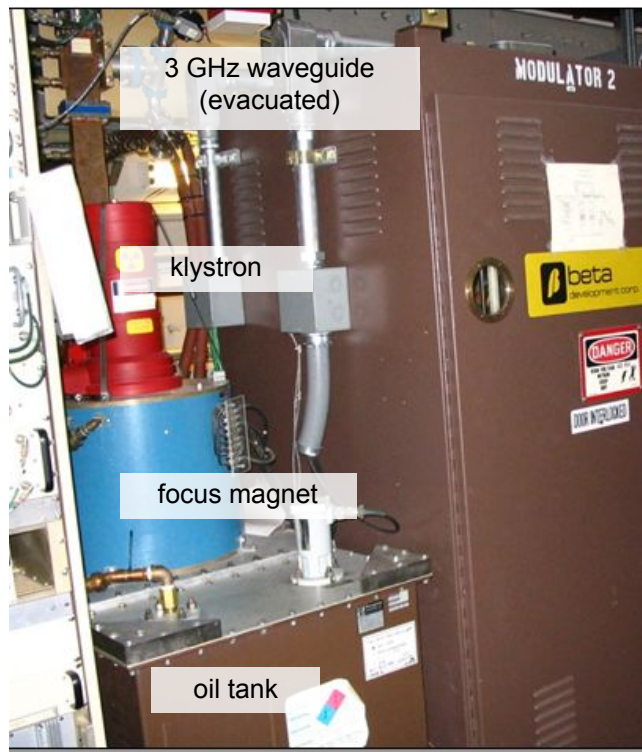
linac 2: 9, 14, 2, 4+

## Klystron Failures

- Internal parasitic emission
- Internal arcing
- Low / drifting output power
- 2013: collector water leak, fouled oil, shorted `buck coil' focusing magnet

## Modulator Failures

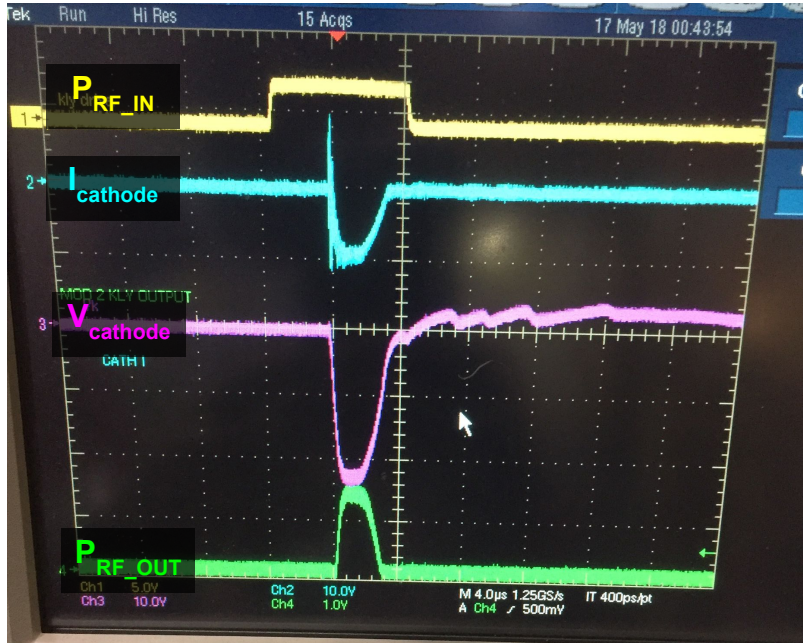
- Thyatron CX-1666
- HV Caps
- HVPS & Cable



Replacement of PFN type modulator by a solid state type funded for FY18/19



Normal HV / RF pulsing



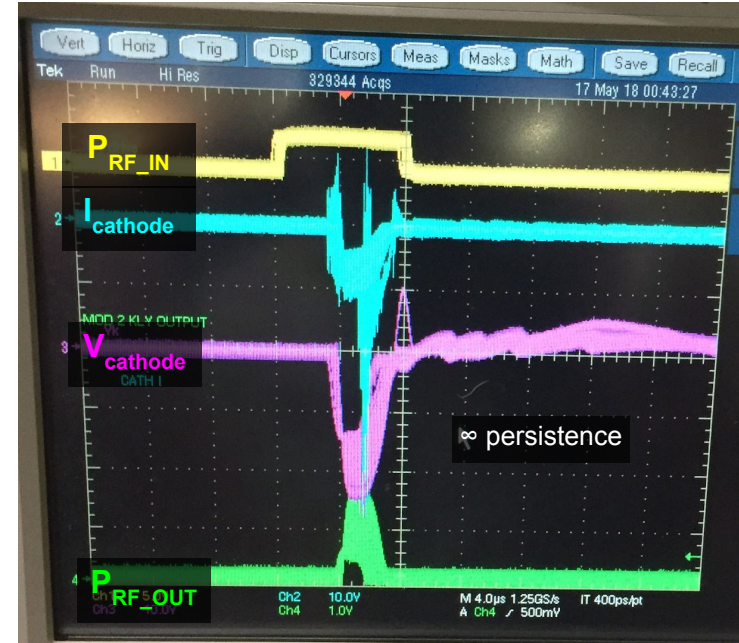
**2018**  
frequent  
(every few days)  
modulator trips

suspected arcing  
in the klystron

oil shows signs  
of **degradation**,  
oil processing  
equipment on  
order

... might need to  
replace the tube  
soon

Pulses with suspected arcing



### Nominal operating parameters

- $V_k = 32 \text{ kV}$
- $I_k = 2.8 \text{ A}$
- $\text{Eff} = 60 \%$
- Gain = 23 dB
- $P_{\text{out}} = 54 \text{ kW}$

### IOT lifetimes

#1: 3 yrs failed due to poisoned cathode from HV cable fault

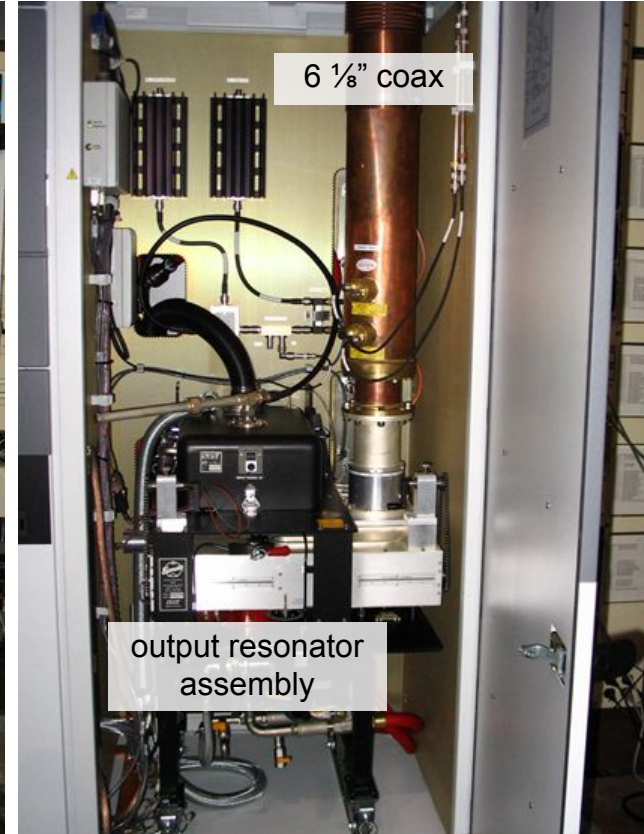
#2: 9+ yrs

### Failures

- Grid Bias PS
- HV Cable fault (due to RF standing wave)
- HV Isolation Transformer
- Thyatron
- 2018: resistor went open circuit in analog LLRF system



IOT  
CPI K2H80W



## Klystron Operating Parameters

$$V_k = -53.1 \text{ kV}$$

$$I_k = 9.55 \text{ A}$$

$$V_a = 32.8 \text{ kV}$$

$$I_a = 1.6 \text{ mA}$$

$$\text{Eff} = 51.53\%$$

$$\text{Gain} = 41.41 \text{ dB}$$

$$\mu\text{P} = 1.61$$

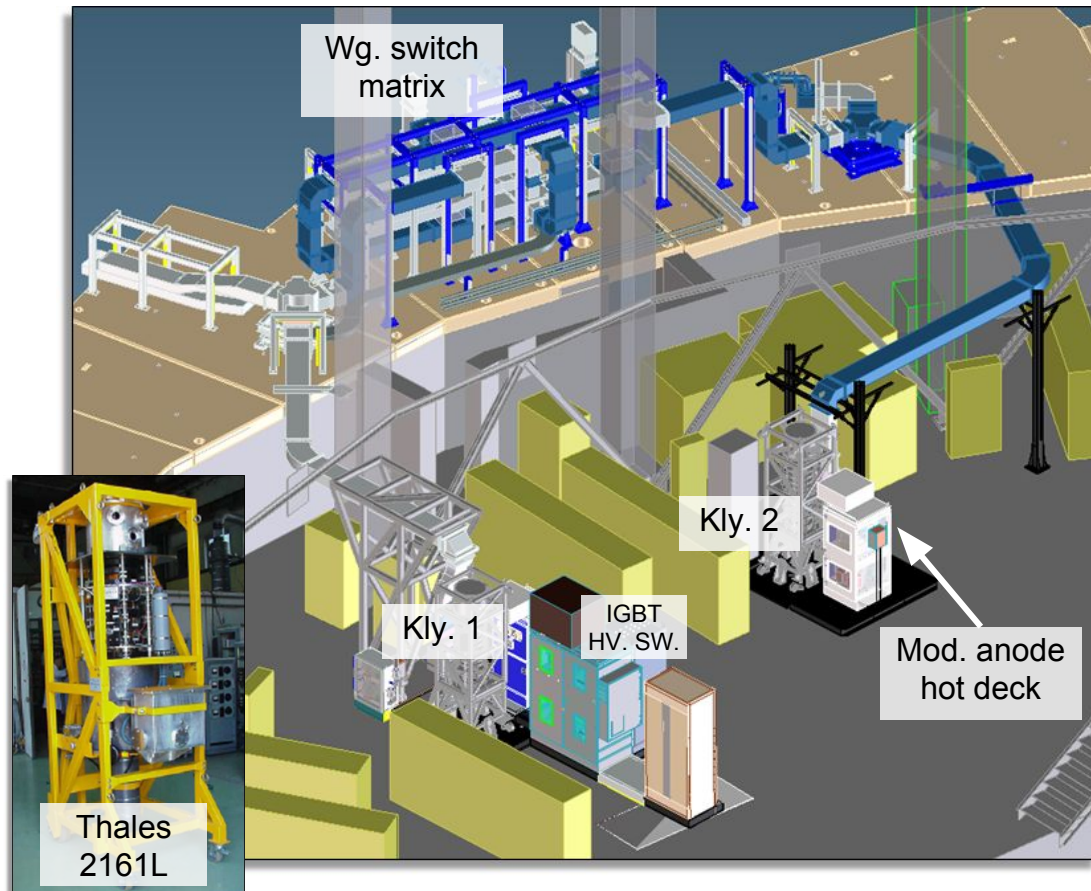
$$\text{RF Output} = 261.7 \text{ kW}$$

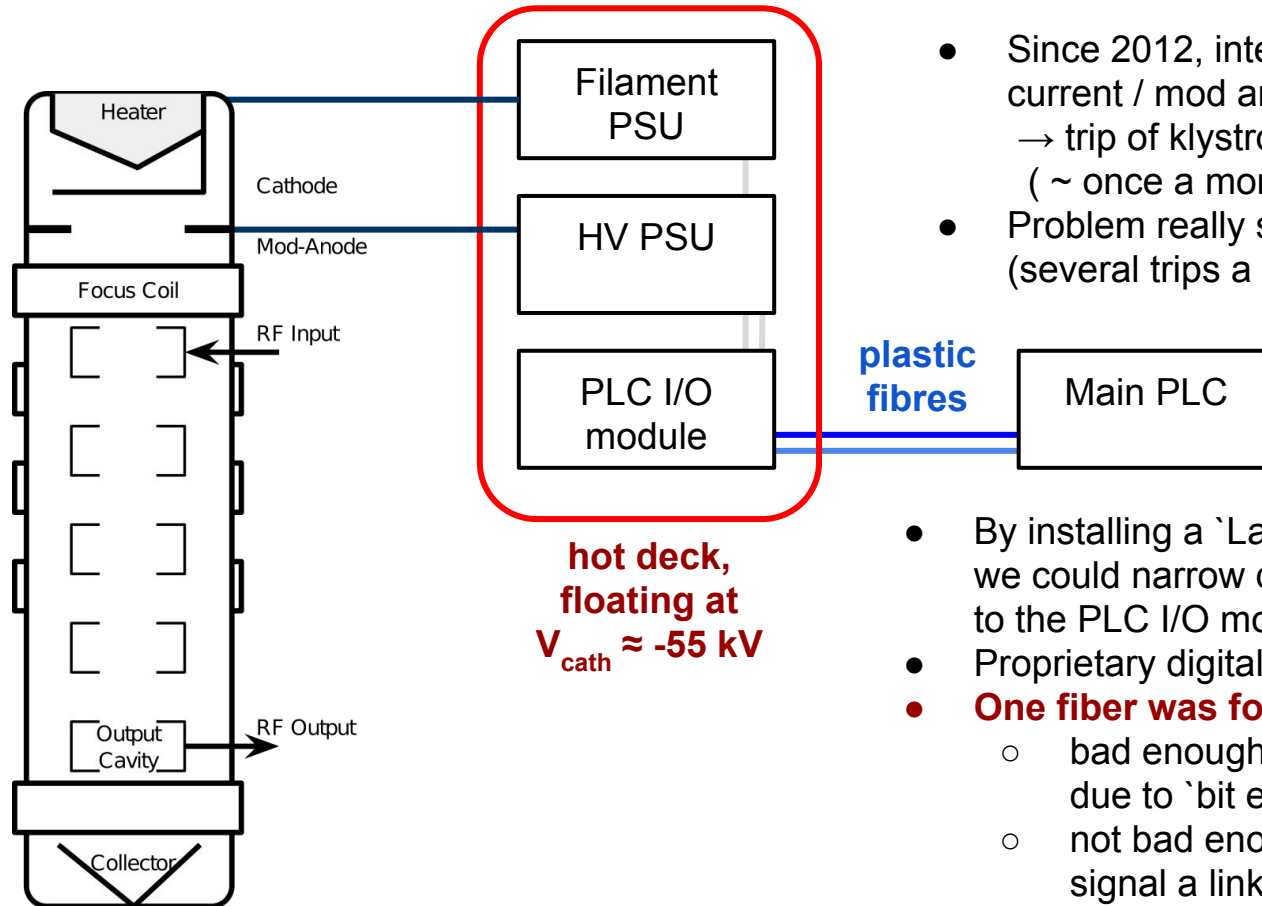
## RF system

- Operational since 2012
- Nominal RF output power  
~260 kW with a single klystron  
(500 mA, nominal ID gap)
- In 2019:  
~360 kW max. with 2 klystrons

## Issues

- HV filter capacitor degradation
- Arc detectors not reliable  
(due to ionizing radiation!)
- Mod anode control system ...





- Since 2012, intermittent loss of filament current / mod anode voltage  
→ trip of klystron interlock system (~ once a month)
- Problem really surfaced in 2017 (several trips a day!)

- By installing a `Lab-Jack` DAQ module we could narrow down the faulty behavior to the PLC I/O module
- Proprietary digital link over plastic fibres
- **One fiber was found partly damaged**
  - bad enough to cause I/O glitches due to `bit errors`
  - not bad enough for the PLC to signal a link error

## Wg. Switch Matrix

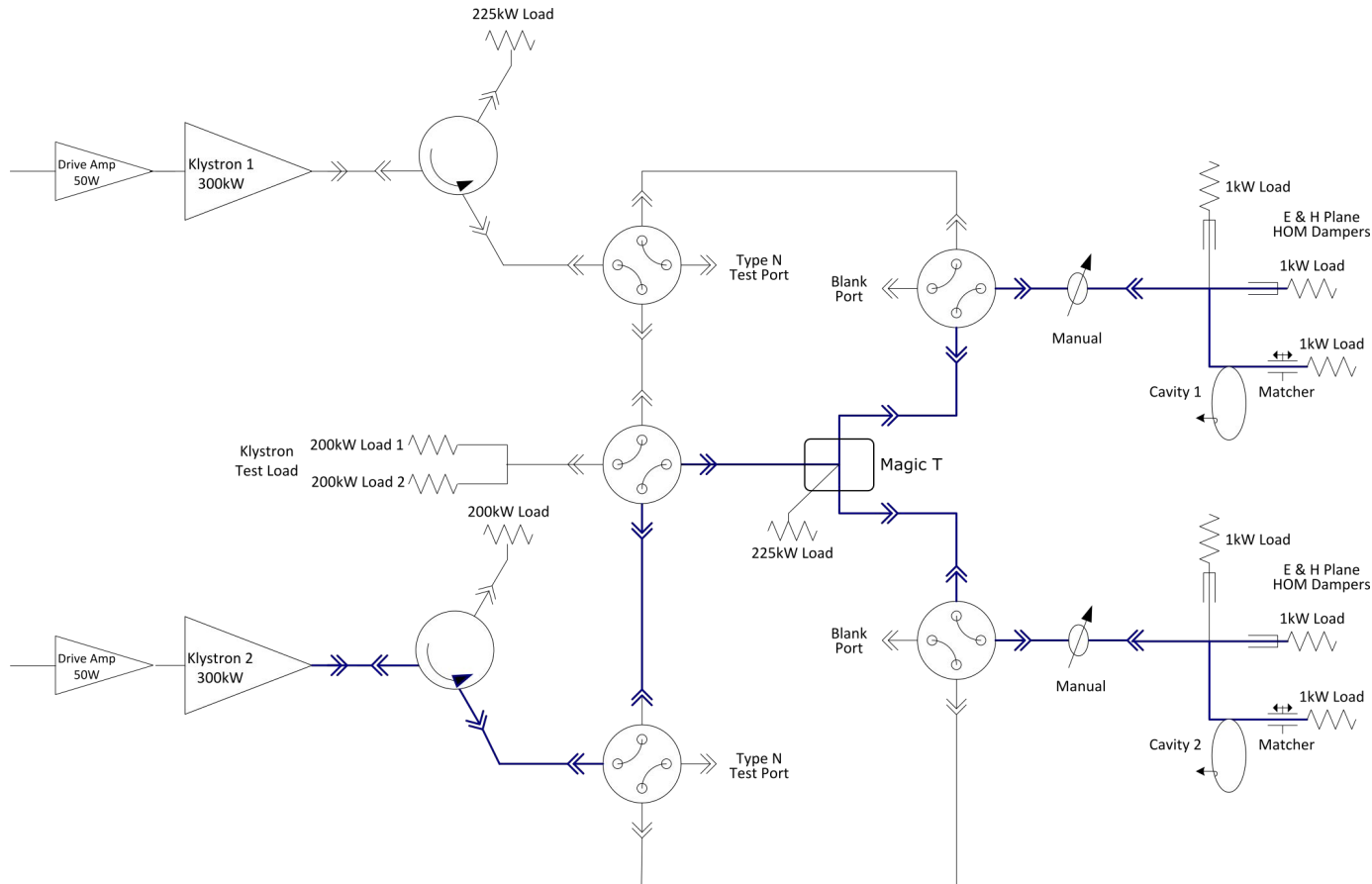
- Provides operational redundancy

## Operating modes

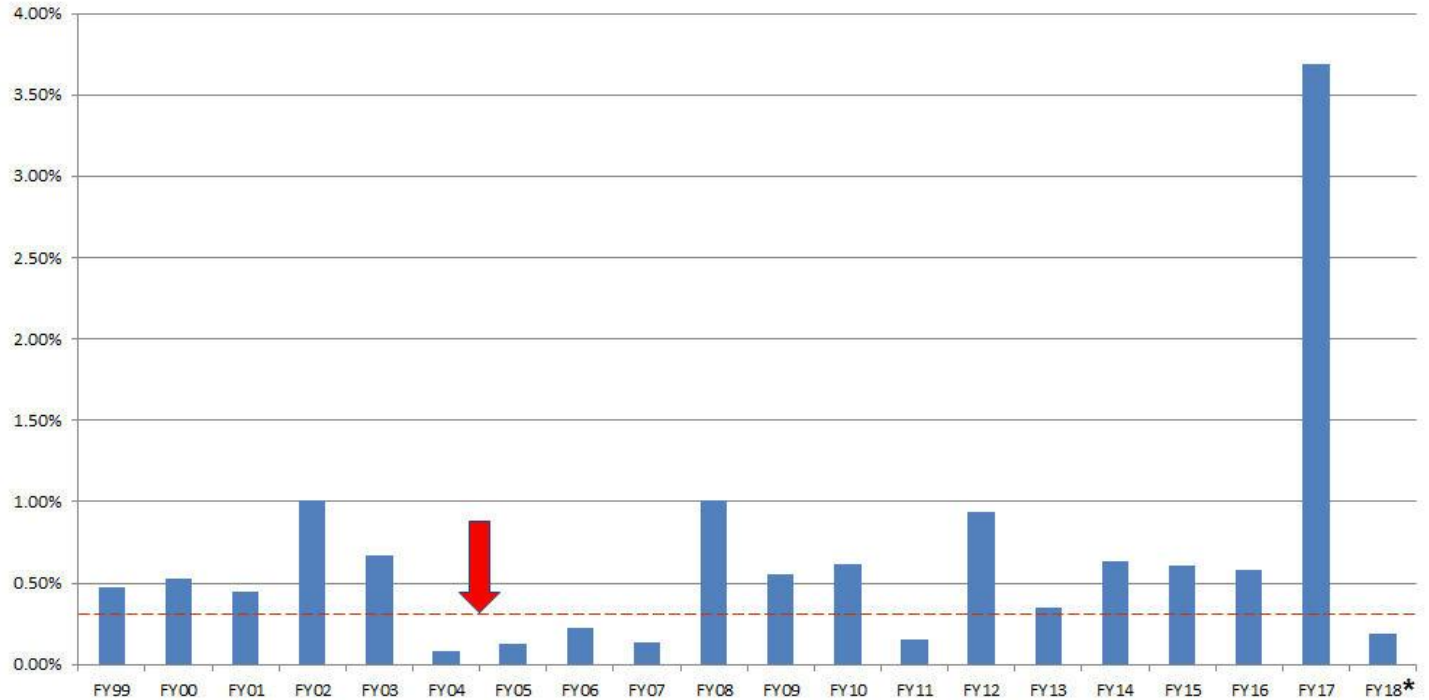
- Kly. 1 or 2 single drive (shown)
- Dual drive
- Dummy load drive
- Cavity to test port for VNA meas.

## Current state

- Wg. switches locked in place as shown
- 2019: finish work on control / interlock system for full 2 klystron operation



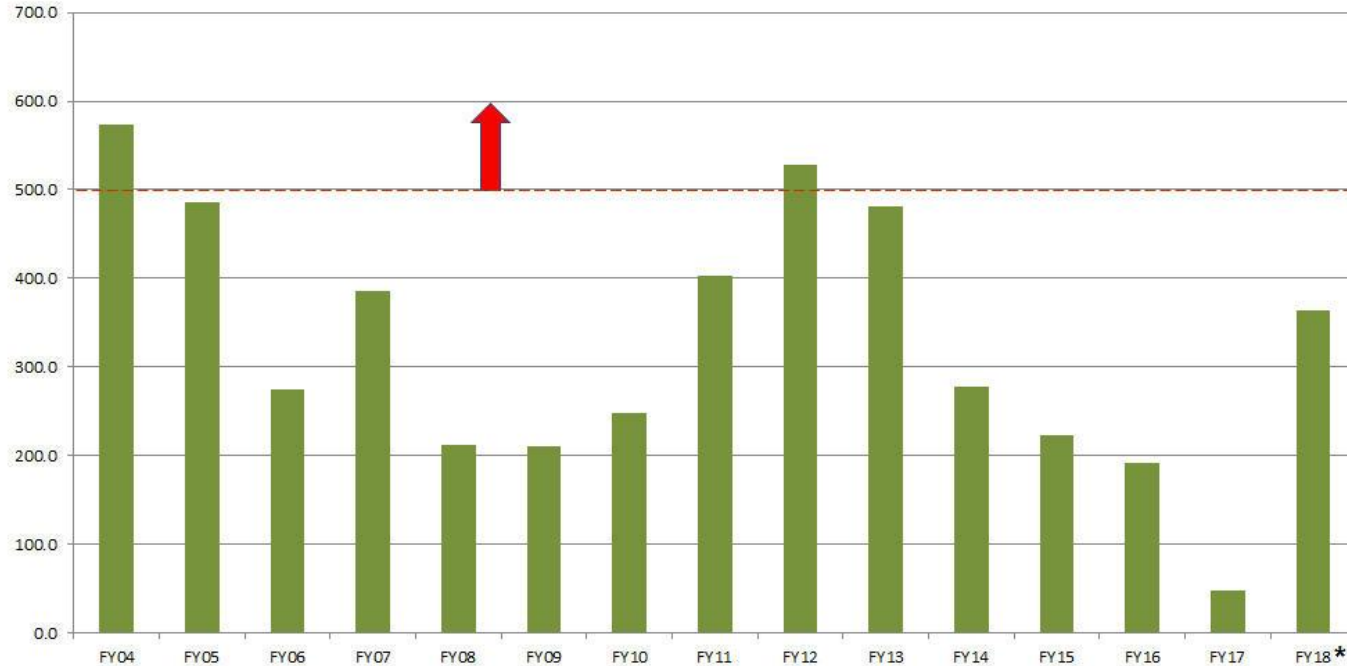
## Percentage of Scheduled Beam Time Lost to SRRF & Non-Latching Faults by Fiscal Year



\* Data for partial year

**Goal for SRRF system based on 5000 hours of User Beam time: 0.3% or less**

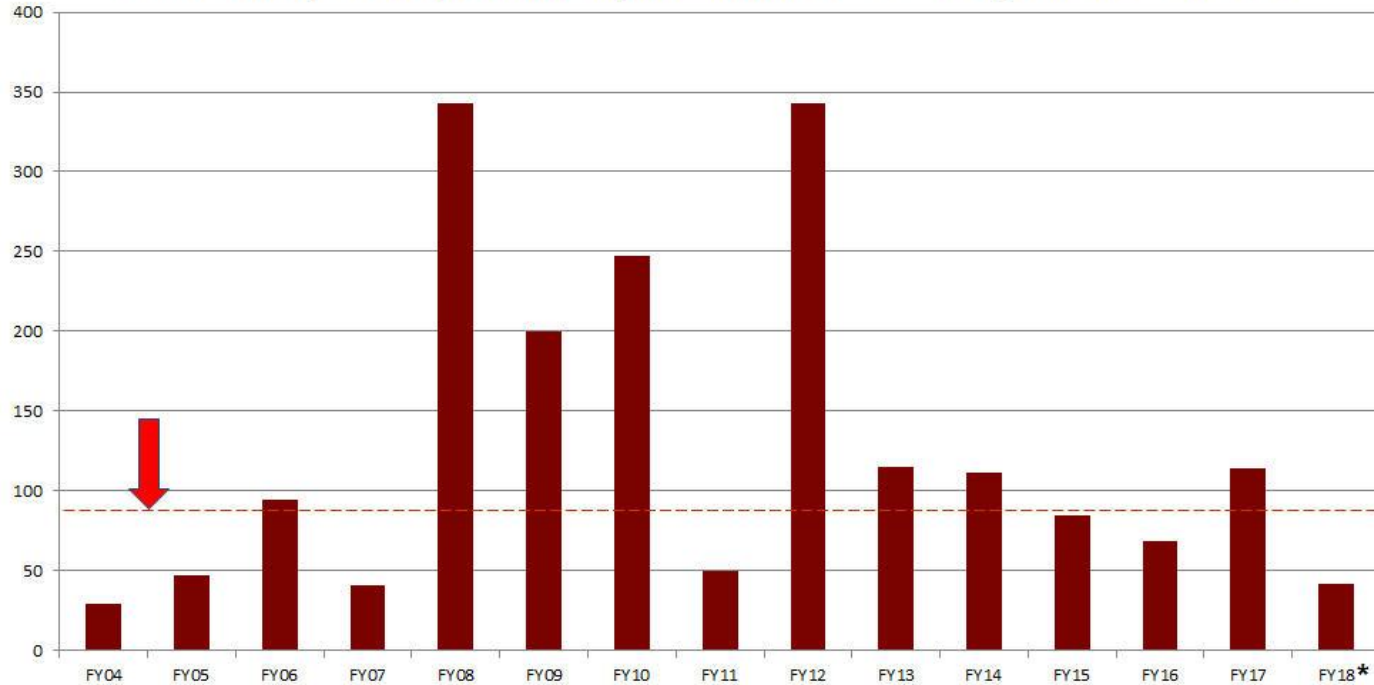
### SRRF Faults, MTBF (in hours): Mean time between faults, FY2004 - FY2018\*



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**Goal for SRRF system based on 5000 hours of User Beam time: 500 hrs or greater**

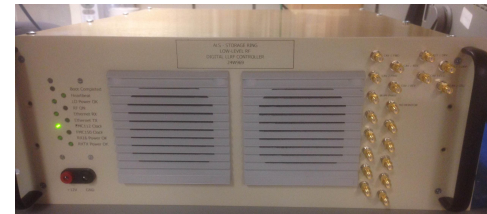
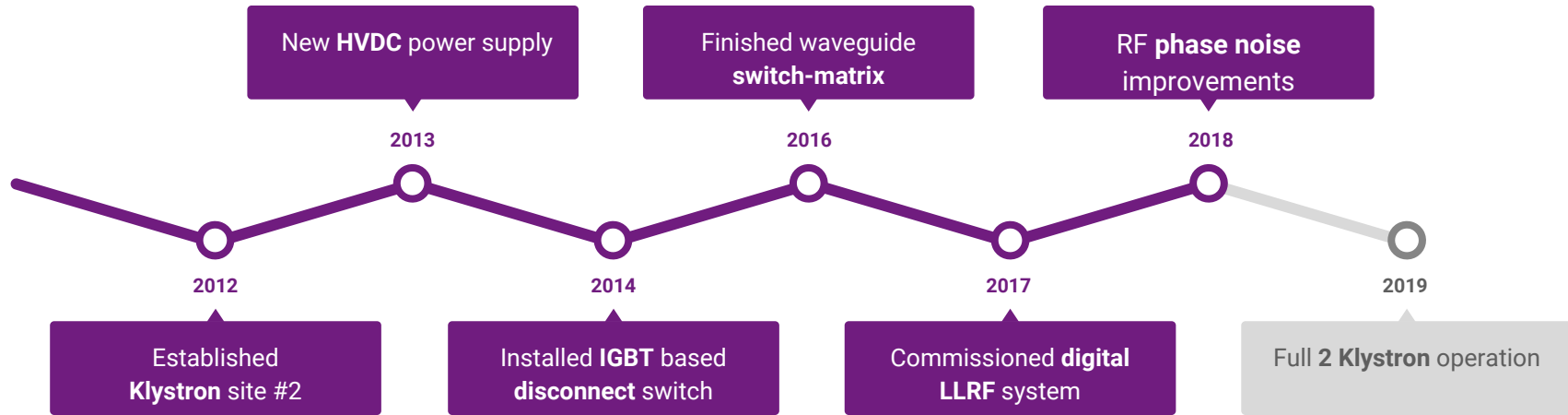
**SRRF Faults, MTTR (in minutes): Mean time to recovery, FY2004 - FY2018\***



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**Goal for SRRF system based on 5000 hours of User Beam time: 90 min or less**





## Hardware

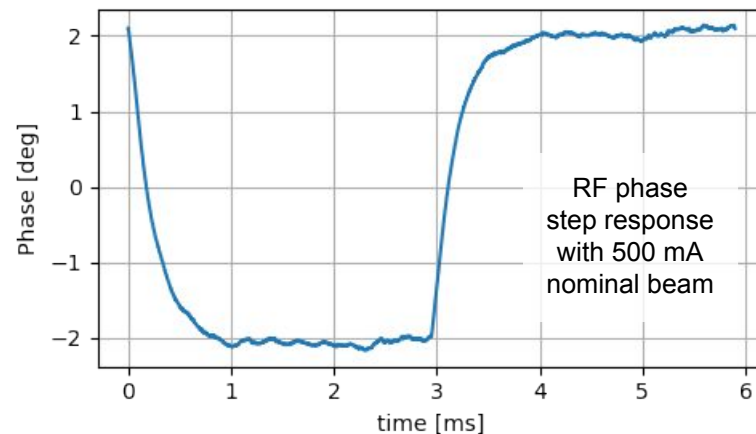
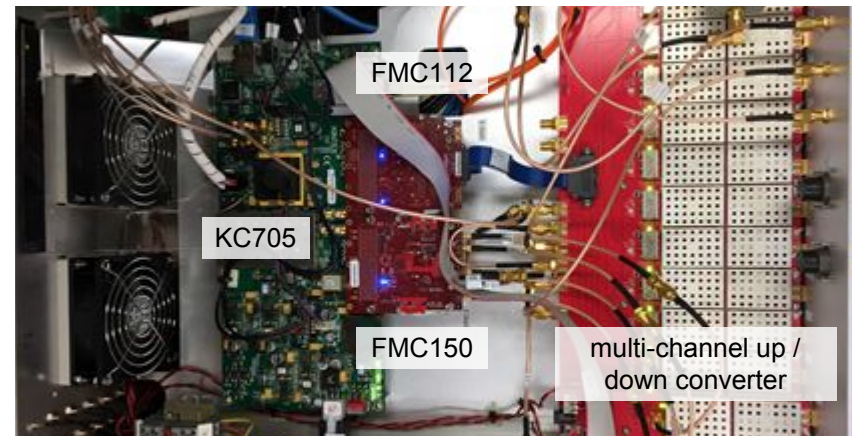
- Xilinx **KC705** eval. board (Kintex 7) + ADC & DAC daughter boards by 4DSP
- Custom made 500 MHz **up / down converter** board

## Features

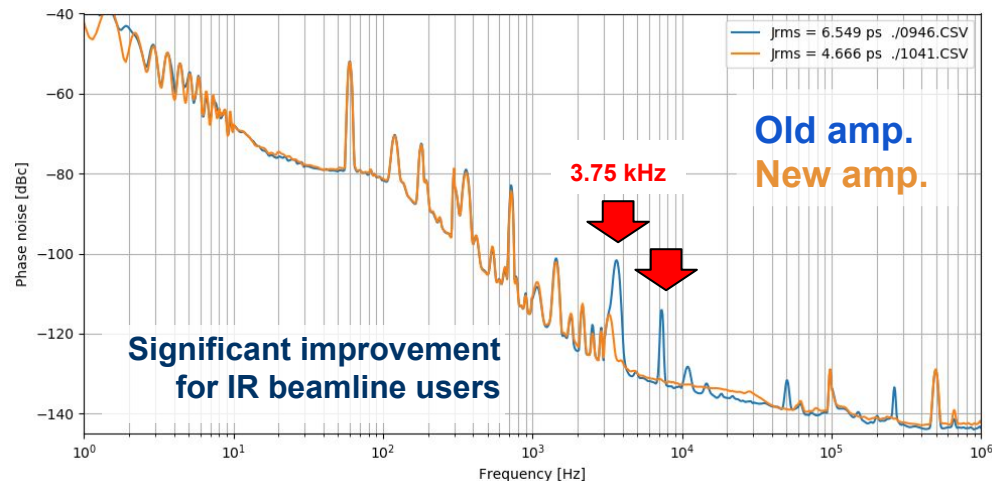
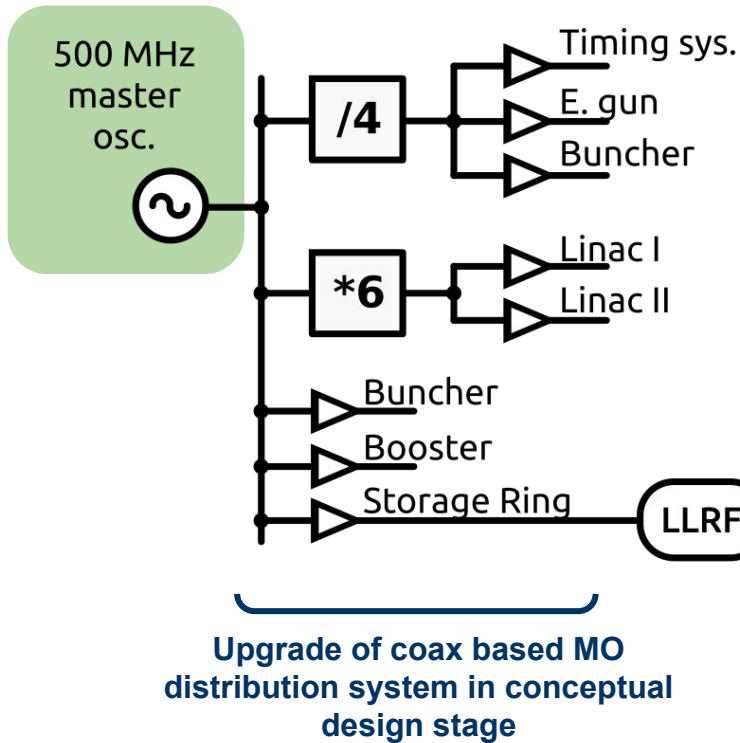
- Scalable, distributed design,  $\leq 42$  input / output channels with  $\leq 60$  MHz bandwidth
- 1.45  $\mu\text{s}$  interlock latency
- Non - IQ sampling
- Managed through gigabit ethernet interface
- Epics integration / python expert GUI
- Open Source! Code available on github

## In progress

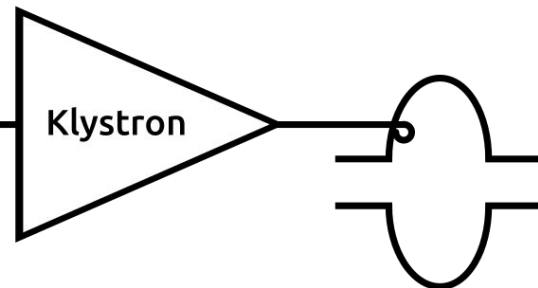
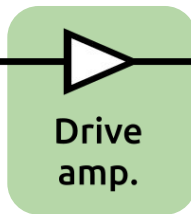
- Narrow-band network analyzer feature
- System-on-a-chip for initialization & housekeeping
- Timing system integration (Micro-research Finland)
- SRRF loop optimization  
(avoid `fighting` with ALS longitudinal feedback)



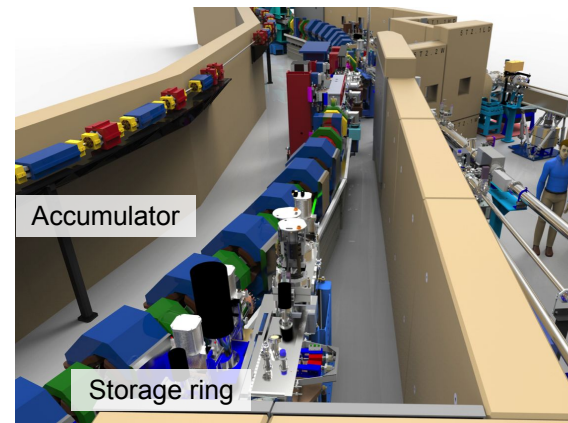
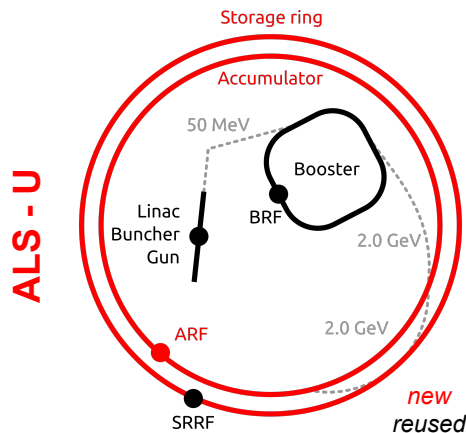
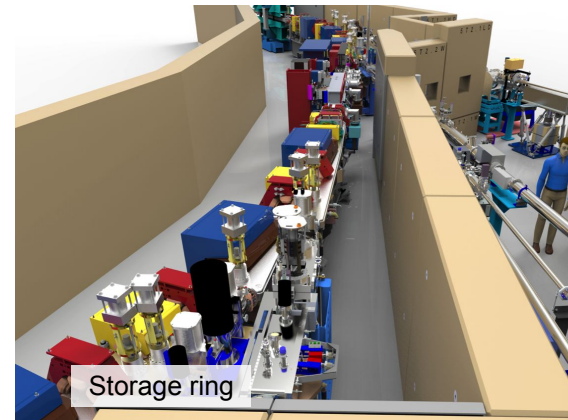
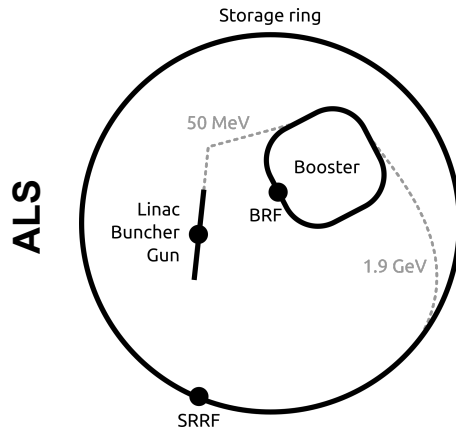
MO replacement selected & ordered



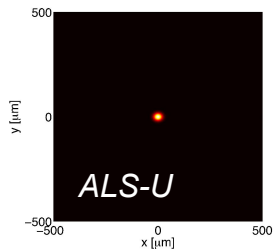
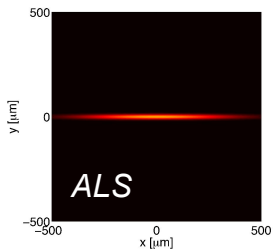
Replaced in 2018



- **> 100 fold** increase in soft x-ray brightness
- Requires **new lattice** in the storage ring, diffraction limited emittance
- Unique: **on axis swap out injection** to satisfy the smaller dynamic apertures of the new lattice
- New **accumulator** ring for topping-up the swapped-out bunch train



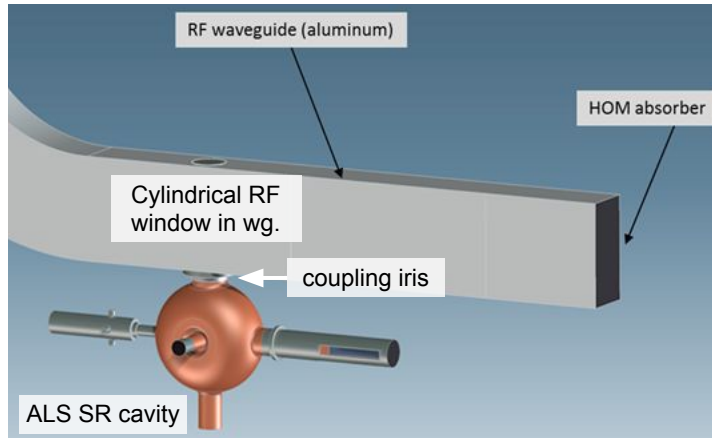
Beam profile



## Storage ring

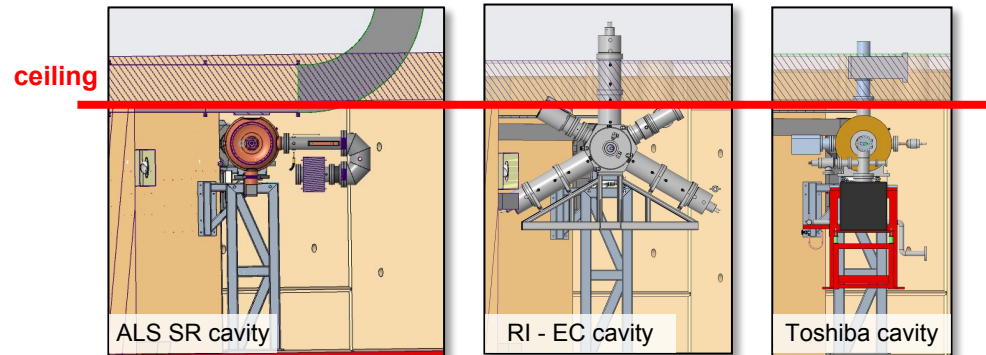
There is a real chance of reusing the existing 500 MHz ALS RF system + cavity

- **But** optimum coupling factor  $\sim 10$ , existing coupler only achieves  $< 3.2$
- **Option 1** live with reflected RF power (and larger electricity bill)
- **Option 2** develop a new RF coupler
- Simulation work in progress

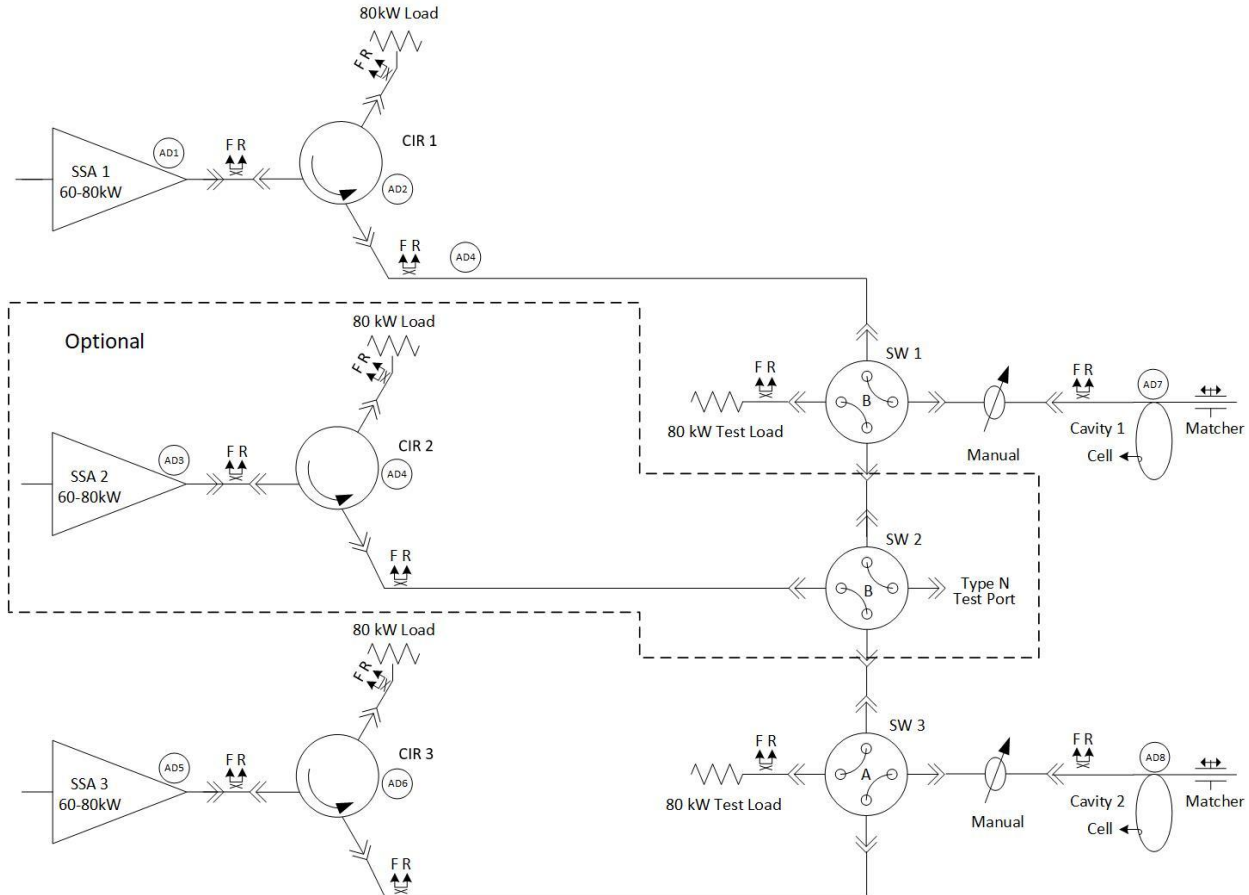


## Accumulator

- Severe space constraints  
→ will need to modify the concrete shielding
- Exploring existing cavity options
  - ALS SRRF cavity
  - Research Instruments - EC “Dampy” cavity
  - Toshiba ASP cavity
- RF Performance & Cooling:  
RI & Toshiba have no big differences
- Fit: Toshiba cavity would be a leading candidate if coupler coaxial section is extendable. NDA?



- **2 amplifiers**  
(one for each cavity)
- optional:  
3rd amplifier to improve  
reliability (might not be  
needed with SSAs)
- **simplified switch matrix**



## Major specs.

CW output power [kW]	60 - 80
Frequency [MHz]	499.6
1 dB bandwidth [MHz]	> 4

## Additionally, we would like

- High Reliability / Fault Tolerance: continue to operate with N failed transistors, amp. modules or power supplies (PS)
- Maintenance: modular design, dripless quick disconnects, hot-swappable DC PS
- Fail-Safe Controls & Interlocks

→ can be met by commercial SSA's

## Example: VHF solid state amplifier for the LCLS-II Gun B collaboration



See poster by K. Baptiste on Thursday

## Booster Bend Magnets

- 1 cycle per second
- 1.2 MJ capacitor bank for energy storage between cycles

## Power converter

- based on Semikron IGBT bridge modules
- rated 1.7 kV, 2.4 kA, switches @ 2 kHz

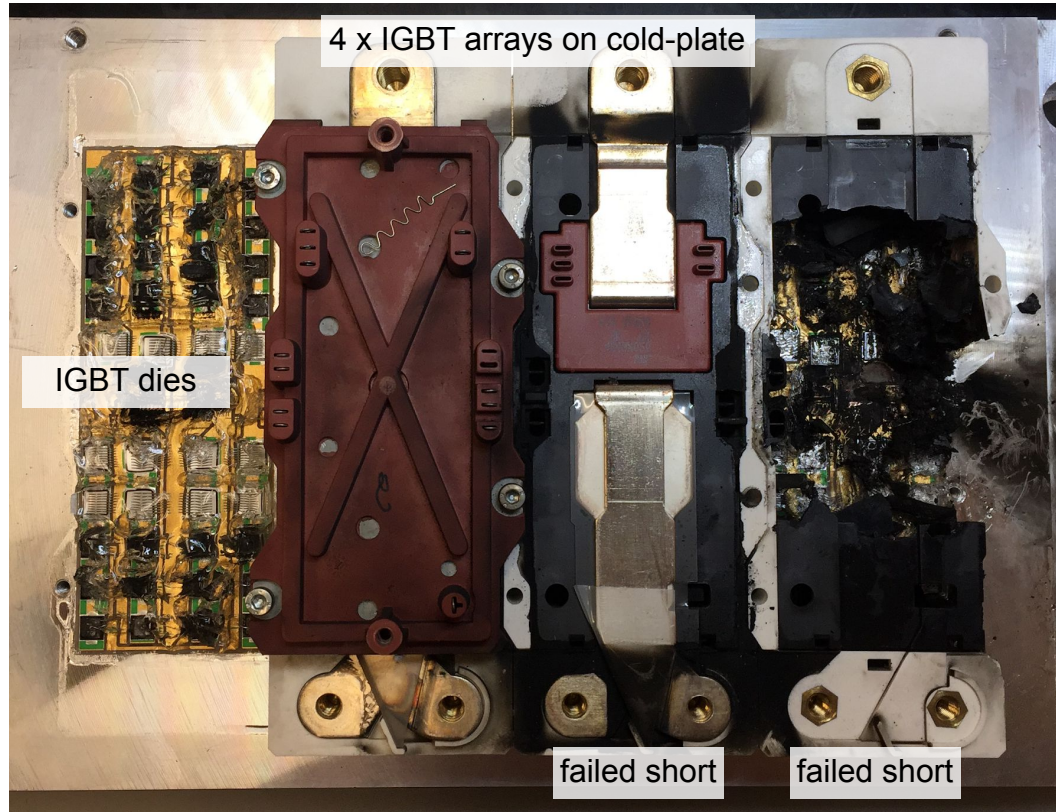
## 11. April 2018

- upper half-bridge switch failed closed during its conduction period, root cause not clear
- short across the DC bus in the next half-cycle
- IGBT module went through **rapid unscheduled disassembly**
- 12 x 100 A fuses blew in the cap. bank and prevented worse
- replacing IGBT module and a DC bus filtering cap. allowed us to start back up





# Booster IGBT magic-smoke was released

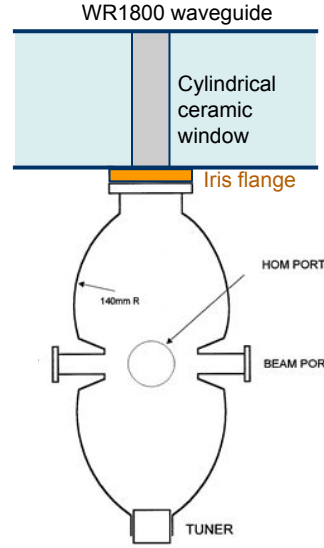


- The injector and its RF systems will still be needed for a long time. Legacy systems are being replaced step by step. (S-Band PFN modulators, analog LLRF, etc.)
- Storage ring RF system upgrade very close to completion (Outstanding: Arc detector issues, control and interlock integration for second klystron)
- There's a good chance we will need a new solid state amplifier + cavity for the ALS-U accumulator ring soon

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**Thank you!**

Center Frequency	499.64 MHz
Harmonic #	125
Peak acc. voltage (@ 66 kW)	813 kV
Beam current (multibunch)	4 mA
Synch. rad. loss (dipoles)	5 kW
Shunt imp. ( $ZT^2$ )	5 M $\Omega$
RF power required <i>beam loading + cavity loss + return loss + transmission loss</i>	54 kW
RF power installed	80 kW



Coax to wg.  
trans.

