



# Beam Position Monitor: Detector Principle, Hardware and Electronics

## *Outline:*

- *Signal generation → transfer impedance*
- *Consideration for capacitive shoe box BPM*
- *Consideration for capacitive button BPM*
- ***Other BPM principles: stripline → traveling wave,  
inductive → wall current, cavity → resonator for dipole mode***
- *Electronics for position evaluation*
- *Some examples for position evaluation and other applications*
- *Summary*

# Stripline BPM: General Idea

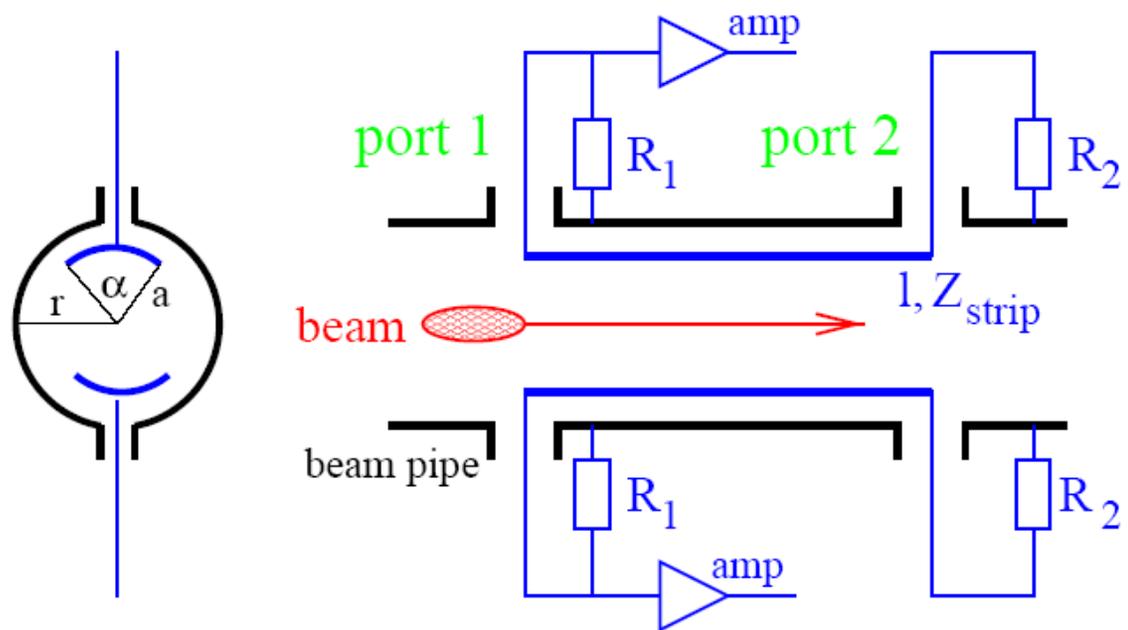


For short bunches, the *capacitive* button deforms the signal

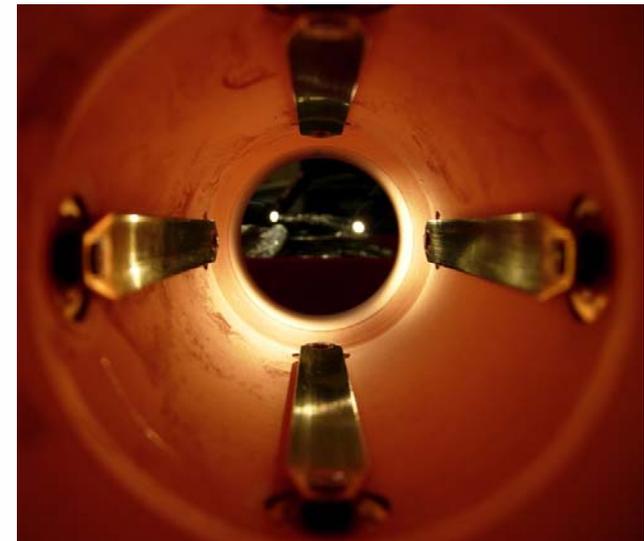
→ Relativistic beam  $\beta \approx 1 \Rightarrow$  field of bunches nearly TEM wave

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→ Assumption: Bunch shorter than BPM,  $Z_{strip} = R_1 = R_2 = 50 \Omega$  and  $v_{beam} = c_{strip}$ .



LHC stripline BPM,  $l=12$  cm



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**Signal treatment at upstream port 1:**

$t=0$ : Beam induced charges at **port 1**:

→ half to  $R_1$ , half toward **port 2**

$t=l/c$ : Beam induced charges at **port 2**:

→ half to  $R_2$ , **but** due to different sign, it cancels with the signal from **port 1**

→ half signal reflected

$t=2 \cdot l/c$ : reflected signal reaches **port 1**

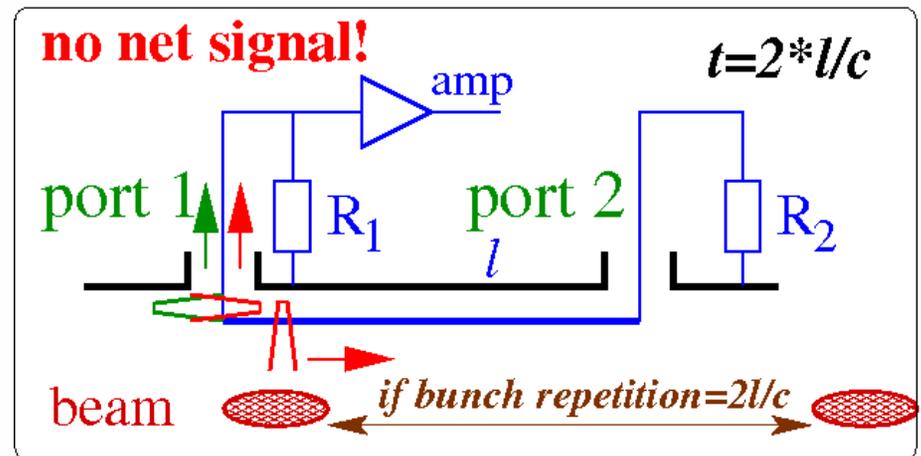
$$\Rightarrow U_1(t) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \cdot Z_{strip} (I_{beam}(t) - I_{beam}(t - 2l/c))$$

**If beam repetition time equals  $2 \cdot l/c$ : reflected preceding port 2 signal cancels the new one:**

→ no net signal at **port 1**

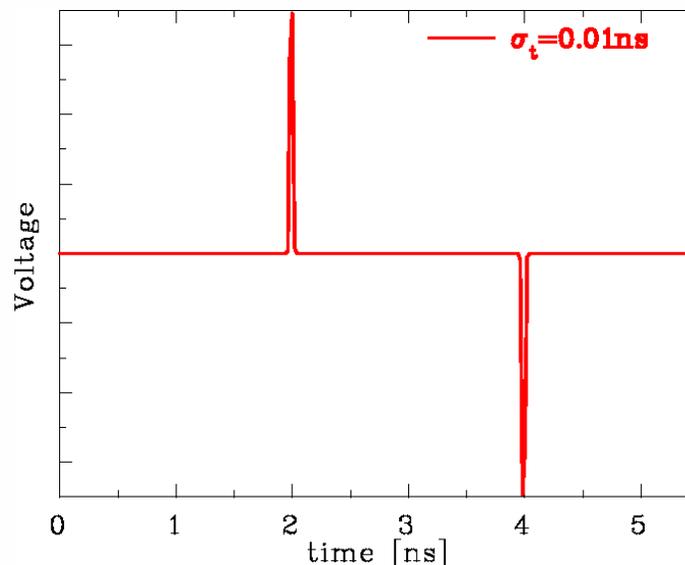
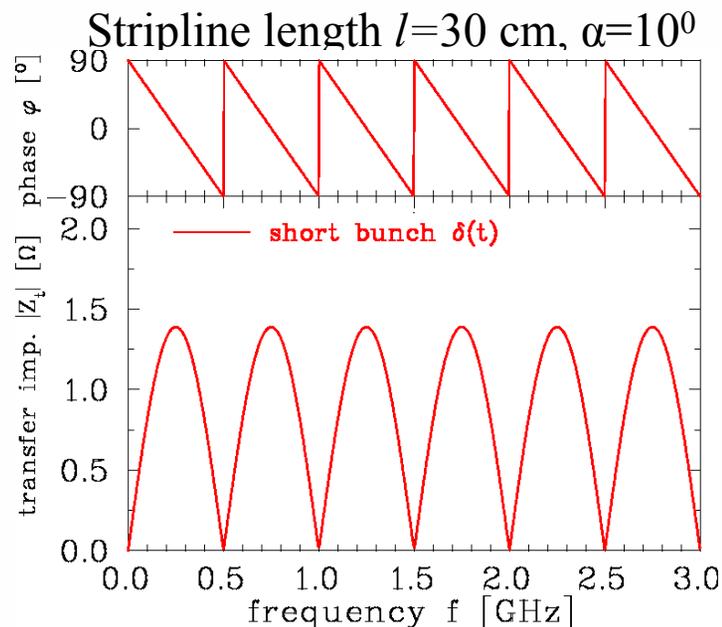
**Signal at downstream port 2:** Beam induced charges cancels with traveling charge from port 1

⇒ Signal depends direction ⇔ directional coupler: e.g. can distinguish between  $e^-$  and  $e^+$  in collider



# Stripline BPM: Transfer Impedance

The signal from port 1 and the reflection from port 2 can cancel  $\Rightarrow$  minima in  $Z_t$   
 For short bunches  $I_{beam}(t) \rightarrow Ne \cdot \delta(t)$ :  $Z_t(\omega) = Z_{strip} \cdot \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \cdot \sin(\omega l / c) \cdot e^{i(\pi/2 - \omega l / c)}$



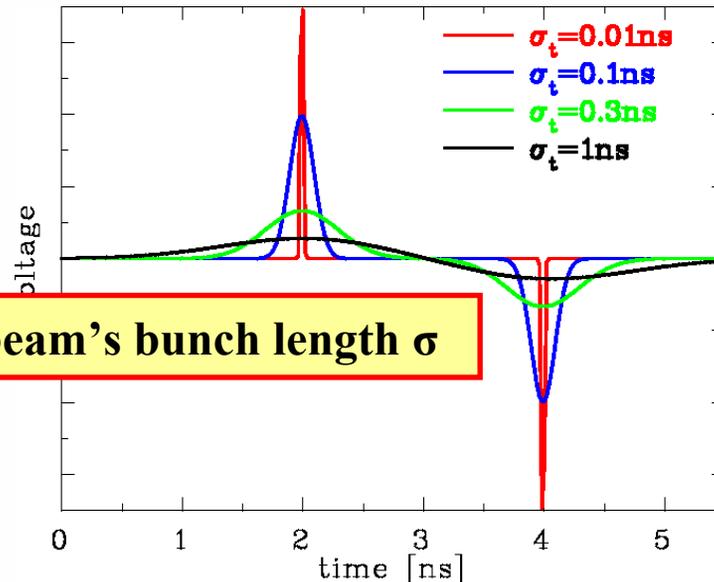
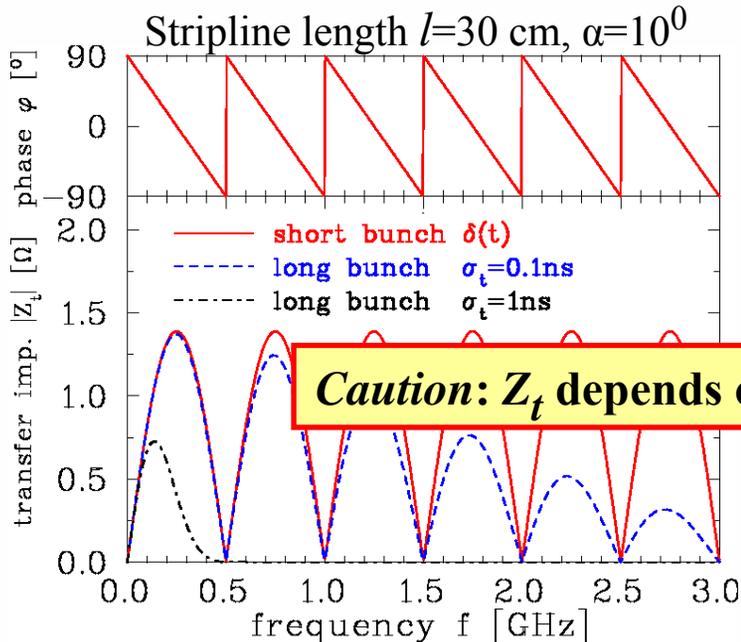
- $Z_t$  show maximum at  $l=c/4f=\lambda/4$  i.e. ‘quarter wave coupler’ for bunch train  
 $\Rightarrow l$  has to be matched to  $v_{beam}$
- No signal for  $l=c/2f=\lambda/2$  i.e. destructive interference with **subsequent** bunch
- Around maximum of  $|Z_t|$ : phase shift  $\varphi=0$  i.e. direct image of bunch
- $f_{center}=1/4 \cdot c/l \cdot (2n-1)$ . For first lobe:  $f_{low}=1/2 \cdot f_{center}$ ,  $f_{high}=3/2 \cdot f_{center}$  i.e. bandwidth  $\approx 1/2 \cdot f_{center}$
- Precise matching at feed-through required to preserve  $50 \Omega$  matching.

# Stripline BPM: Finite Bunch Length

The signal at port 1 for a finite bunch of length  $\sigma$ :  $I_{beam}(t) = I_0 \cdot e^{-t^2/2\sigma^2}$

$$\Rightarrow Z_t(\omega) = Z_{strip} \cdot \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \cdot e^{-\omega^2 \sigma^2 / 2} \cdot \sin(\omega l / c) \cdot e^{i(\pi/2 - \omega l / c)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{in time domain: } U_{im}(t) = Z_{strip} \cdot \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \cdot (e^{-(t+l/c)^2/2\sigma^2} - e^{-(t-l/c)^2/2\sigma^2}) \cdot I_0$$



**Caution:  $Z_t$  depends on beam's bunch length  $\sigma$**

- $Z_t(\omega)$  decreases for higher frequencies
- If total bunch is too long ( $\pm 3\sigma_t > l$ ) destructive interference leads to signal damping

**Cure:** length of stripline has to be matched to bunch length



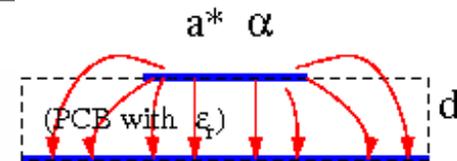
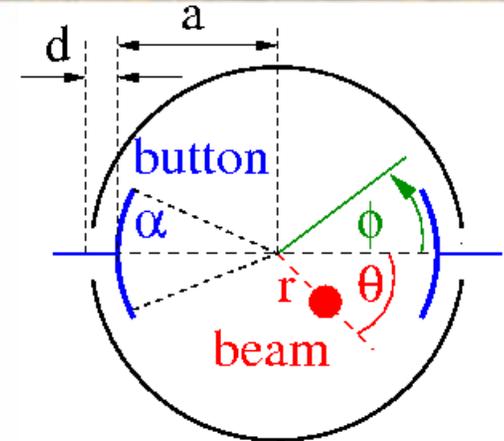
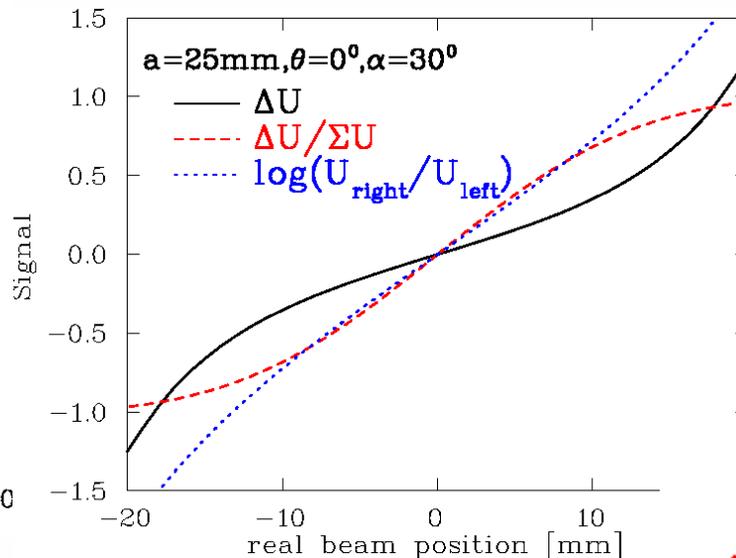
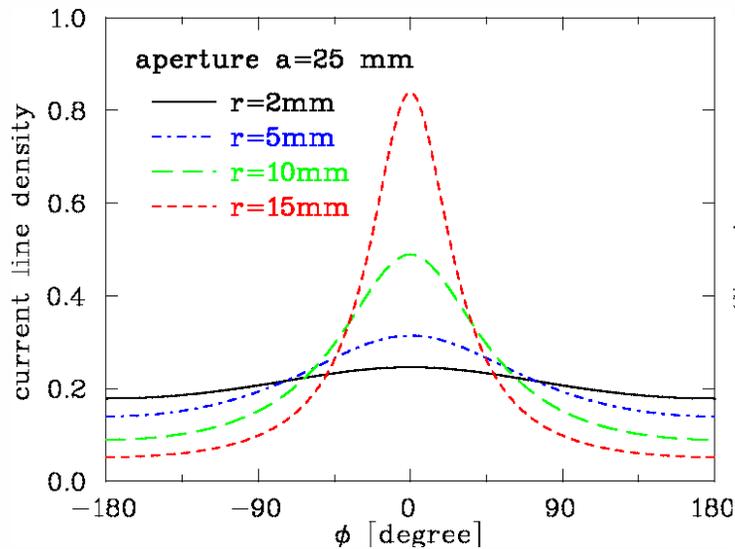
# 2-dim Model for Stripline BPM

‘Proximity effect’: larger signal for closer plate

2-dim case: Cylindrical pipe → image current density:

$$j_{im}(\phi) = \frac{I_{beam}}{2\pi a} \cdot \left( \frac{a^2 - r^2}{a^2 + r^2 - 2ar \cdot \cos(\phi - \theta)} \right)$$

Image current of finite BPM size:  $I_{im} = \int_{-\alpha/2}^{\alpha/2} j_{im}(\phi) d\phi$

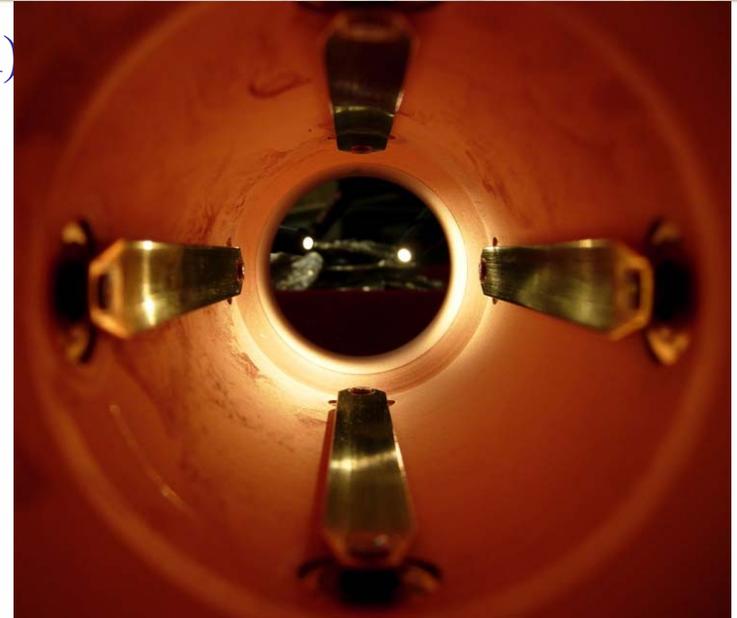
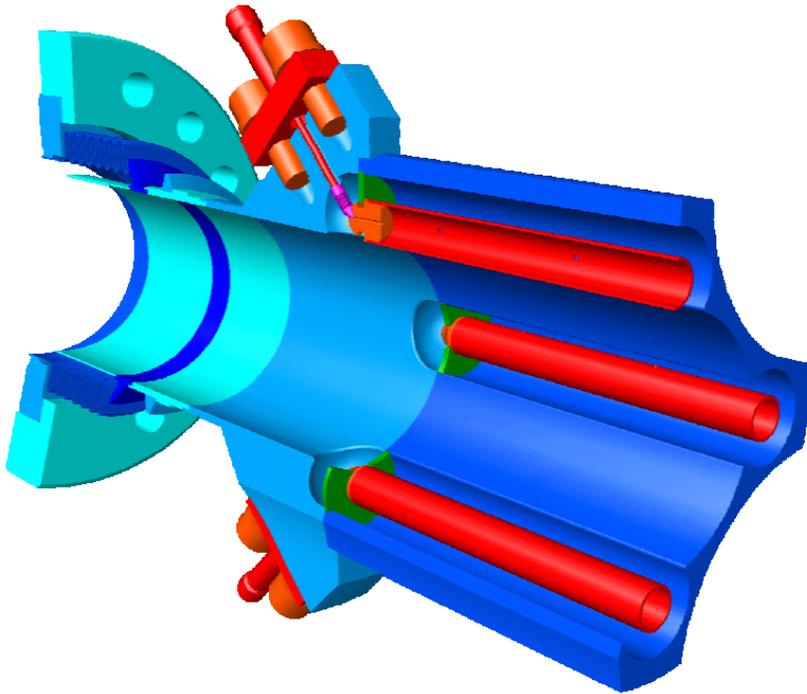


Impedance  $Z_{strip}=50\Omega$ :

Comparable formula as for PCB micro-strip → dependence on  $d$  and  $\alpha$

# Realization of Stripline BPM

20 cm stripline BPM at TTF2 (chamber  $\text{\O}34\text{mm}$ )  
And 12 cm LHC type:

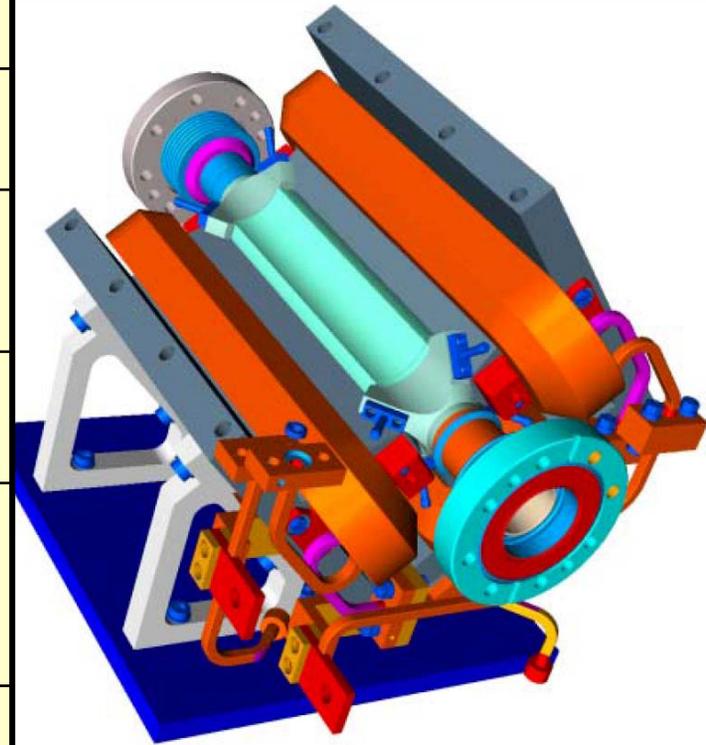


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# Comparison: Stripline and Button BPM (simplified)



TTF2 BPM inside quadrupole



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	<b>Stripline</b>	<b>Button</b>
<b>Idea</b>	traveling wave	electro-static
<b>Requirement</b>	Careful $Z_{strip}=50\Omega$ matching	
<b>Signal quality</b>	Less deformation of bunch signal	Deformation by finite size and capacitance
<b>Bandwidth</b>	Broadband, but minima	Highpass, but $f_{cut} < 1$ GHz
<b>Signal strength</b>	Large Large longitudinal and transverse coverage possible	Small Size $< \varnothing 3$ cm, to prevent signal deformation
<b>Mechanics</b>	Complex	Simple
<b>Installation</b>	Inside quadrupole possible $\Rightarrow$ improving accuracy	Compact insertion
<b>Directivity</b>	<b>YES</b>	No

# Resistive Wall Current Monitor



Broadband observation of bunches can be performed with a resistive Wall Current Monitor

**Principle:** Ceramic gap bridged with  $n=10\dots 100$  resistors of  $R=10\dots 100\ \Omega$

Voltage drop for  $R_{tot}=1/n\cdot R=1\dots 10\ \Omega$  measured

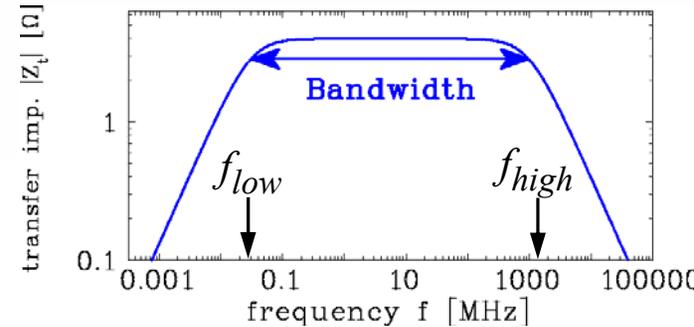
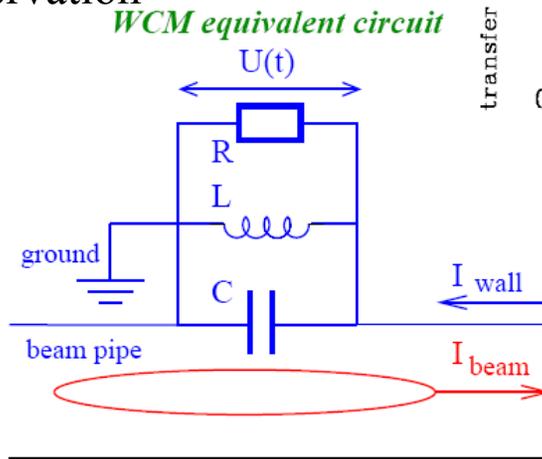
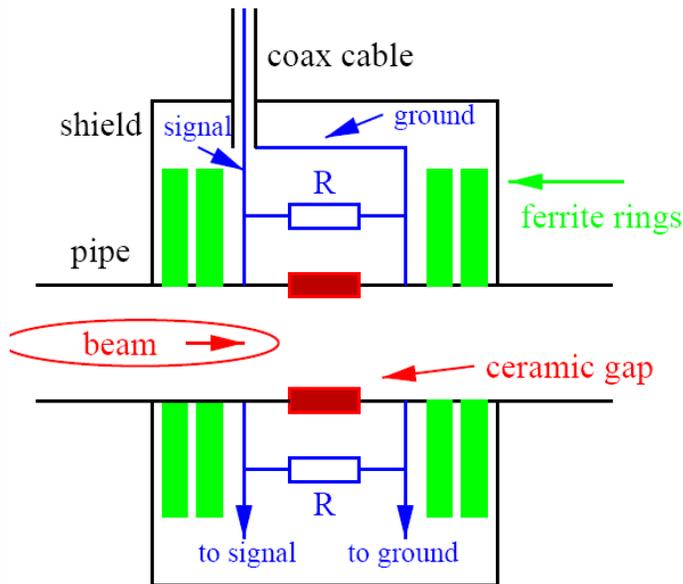
Ferrite rings with high  $L$

→ forces low frequency components through  $R$

**Bandwidth:** typically  $f_{low}=R/(2\pi L)\approx 10\ \text{kHz}$

$f_{high}=1/(2\pi R_{tot}C)\approx 1\ \text{GHz}$

**Application:** Broadband bunch observation



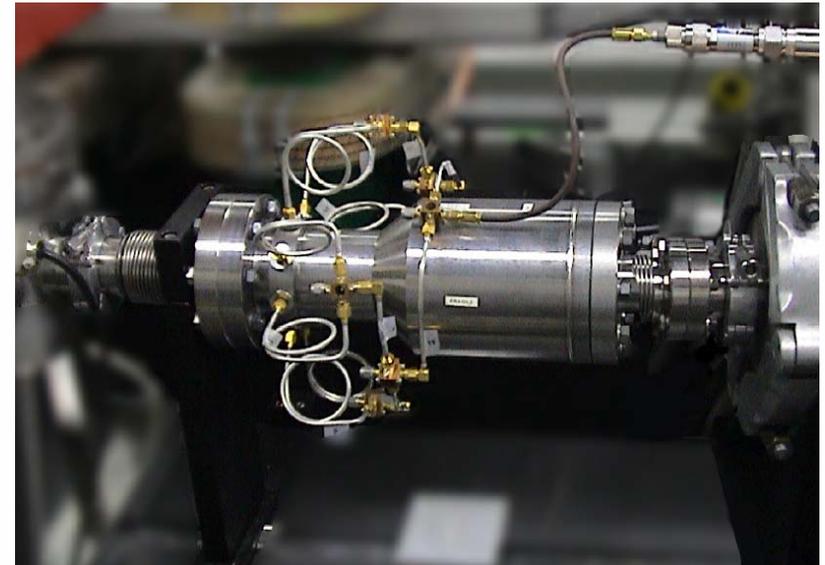
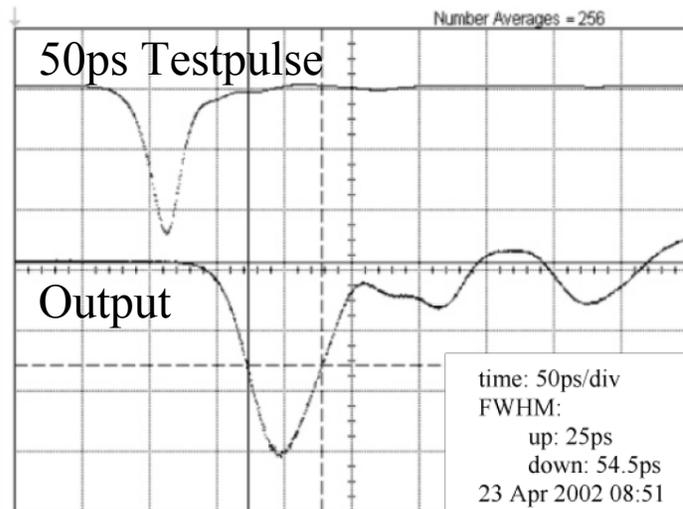
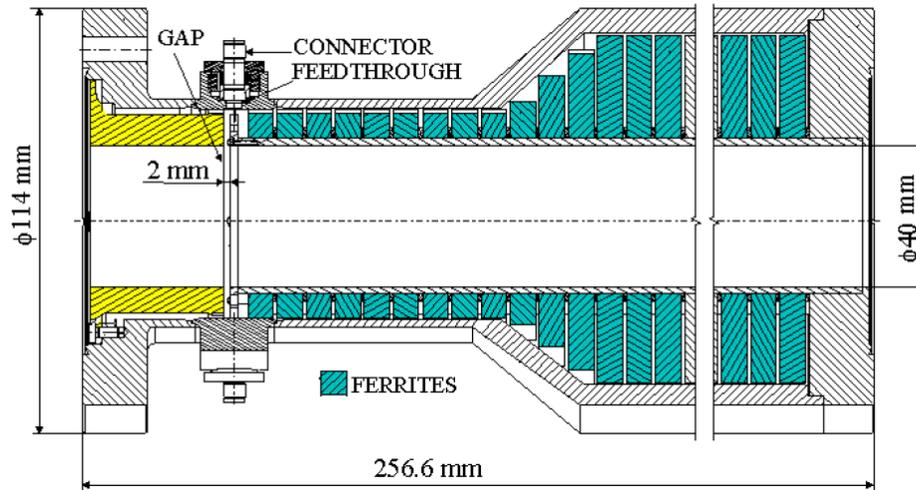
$$\frac{1}{Z_t} = \frac{1}{R_{tot}} + \frac{1}{i\omega L} + i\omega C$$

Within bandwidth:  $Z_t \cong R_{tot}$

# Realization of Wall Current Monitor



## Large bandwidth WCM for short bunch longitudinal observation at CLIC



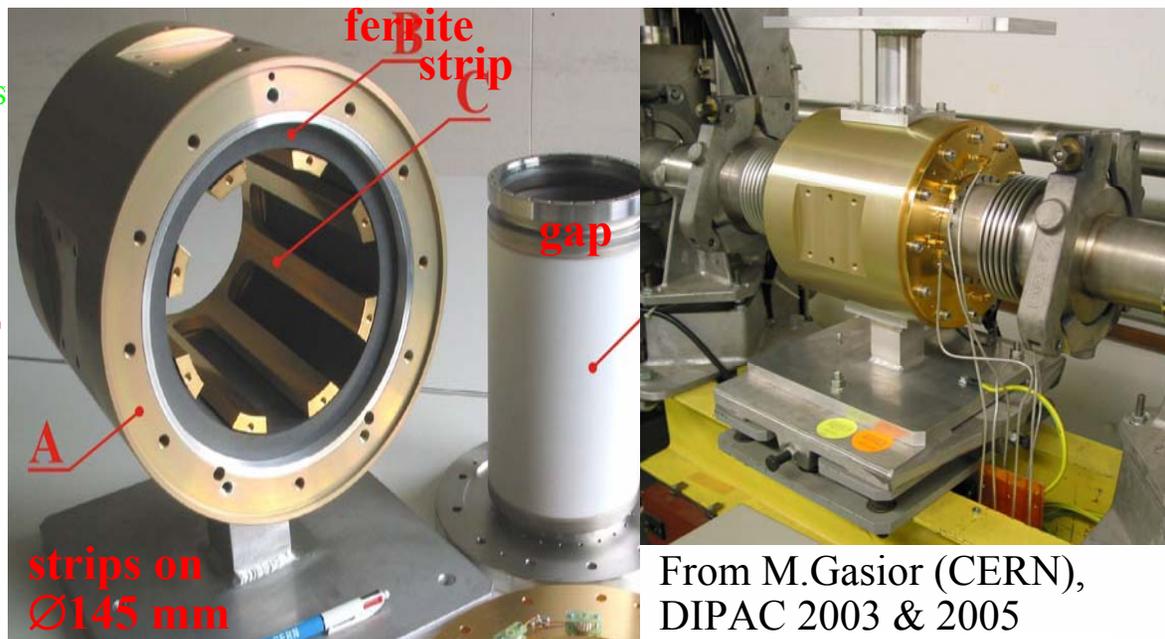
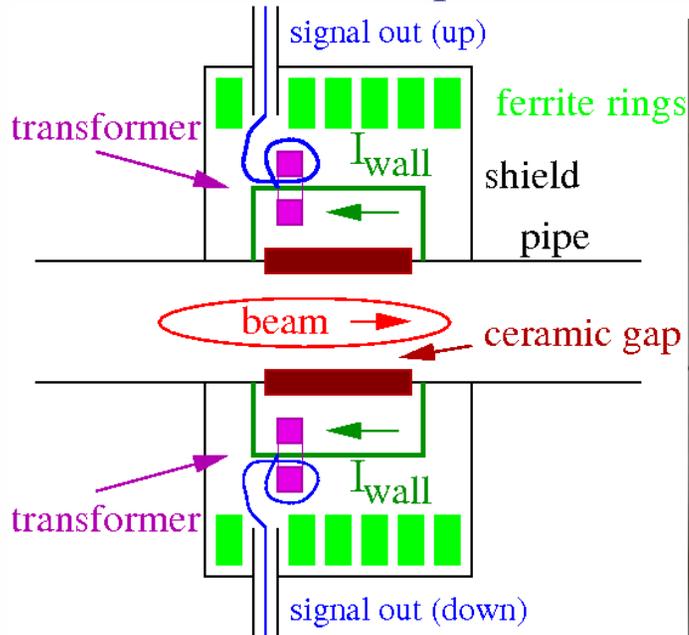
**Parameter:**  $f_{low} = 250$  kHz  
 $f_{high} = 10$  GHz  
 $n=8$  with  $R=50 \Omega$   
gap length 2 mm  
 $Z_t = 4 \Omega$   
insertion length 256 mm

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# Inductive Wall Current Monitor

The wall current is passed through strips and is determined by transformers.



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**Example:** CERN CTF3 and LINAC2 device

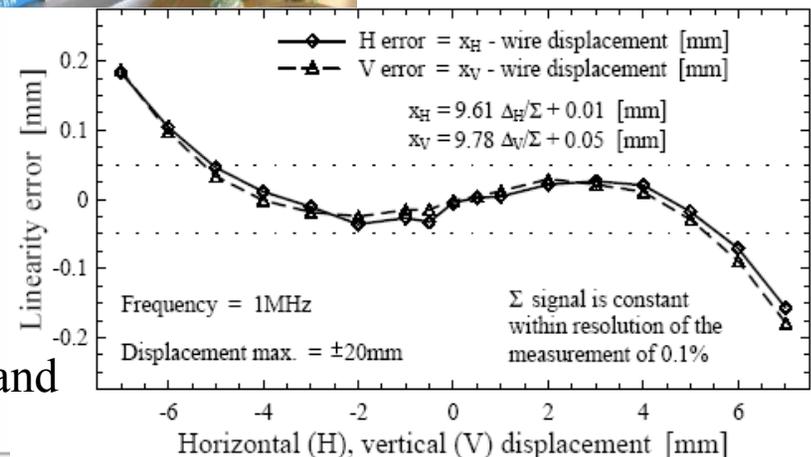
**Parameters:** 8 strips on  $\varnothing 50$  mm

**for CTF3** Bandwidth: 300 kHz to 250 MHz

Transfer impedance:  $Z_t = 10 \Omega$

Sensitivity:  $k = 10$  mm (central part)

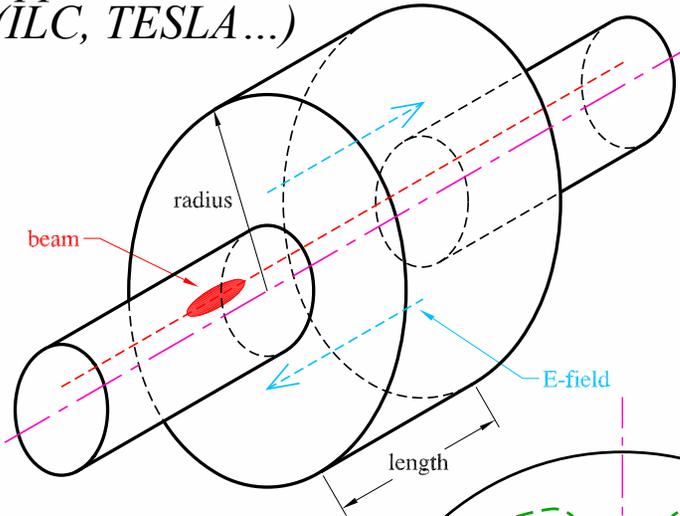
**Advantage:** Everything outside vacuum, broadband



# Cavity BPM

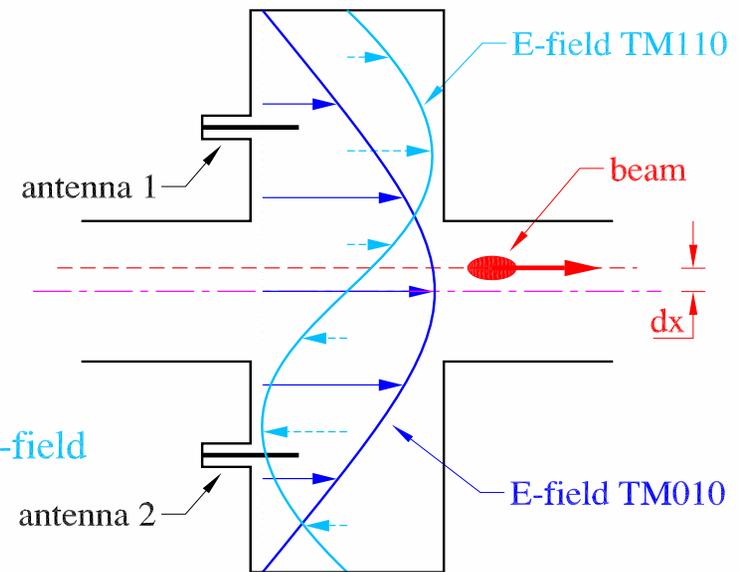
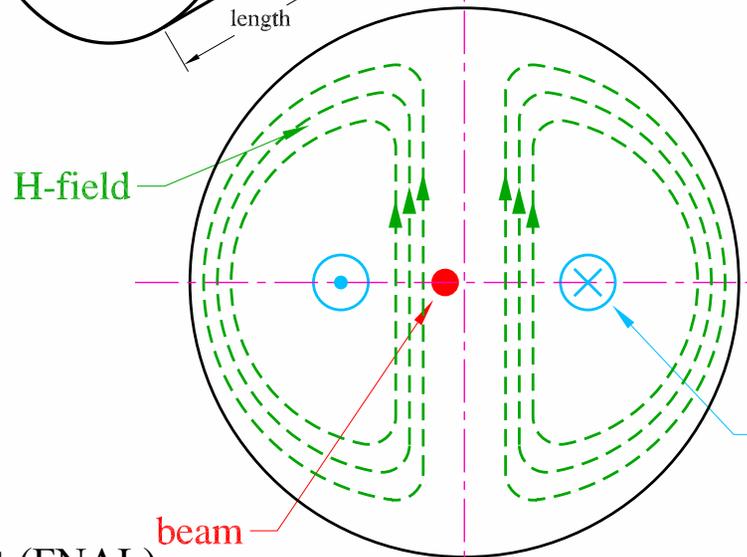
High resolution on  $\mu\text{s}$  time scale can be achieved by excitation of a dipole mode:

Application: small  $e^-$  beams (ILC, TESLA...)



For pill box the resonator modes given by geometry:

- monopole  $\text{TM}_{010}$  with  $f_{010}$ 
    - maximum at beam center  $\Rightarrow$  strong excitation
  - Dipole mode  $\text{TM}_{011}$  with  $f_{011}$ 
    - minimum at center  $\Rightarrow$  excitation by beam offset
- $\Rightarrow$  Detection of dipole mode amplitude  
(phase relative to monopole gives sign of displacement)

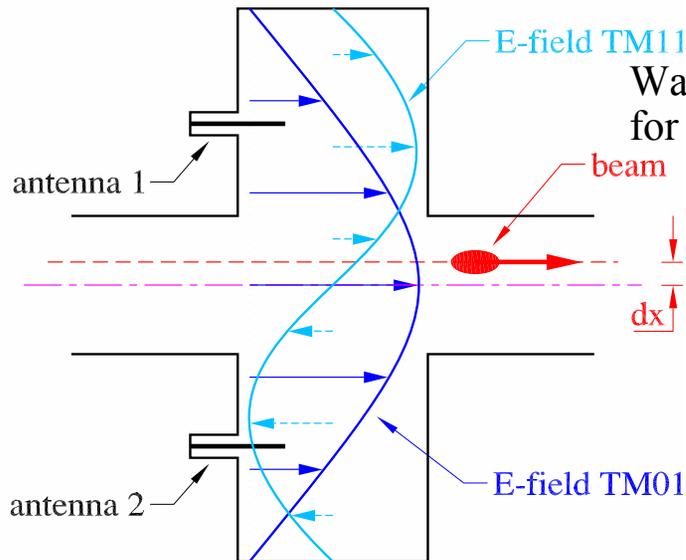


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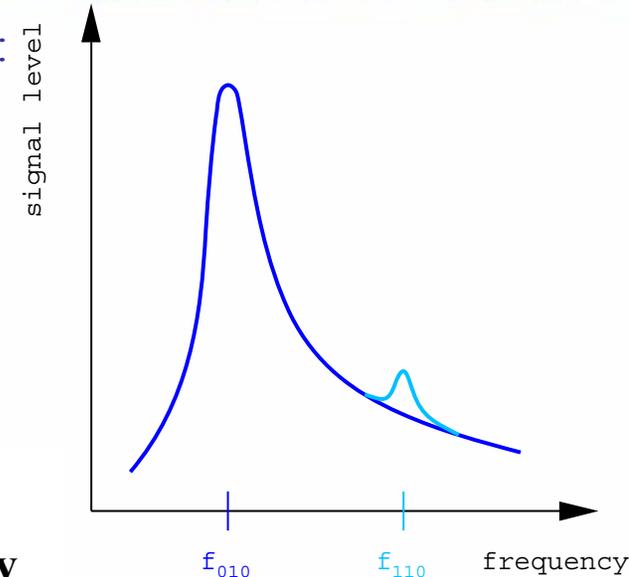
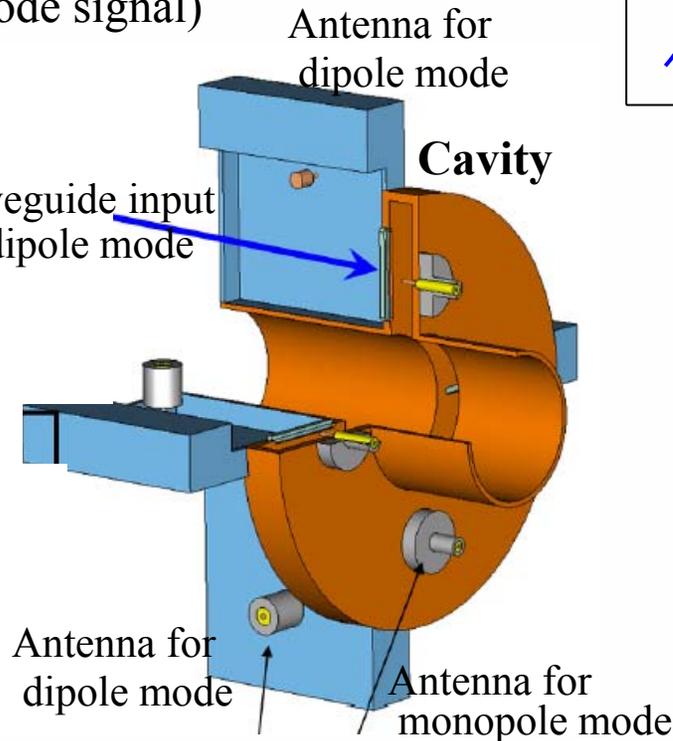
# Cavity BPM

Basic consideration for detection of eigen-frequency amplitudes:

- Monopole mode  $f_{010}$  should differ from  $f_{rf}$
- Dipole mode  $f_{110}$  separated from monopole mode due to finite quality factor  $Q \Rightarrow \Delta f = f/Q$
- Waveguide house the antennas  
(task: suppression of  $TM_{010}$  mode signal)
- Frequency range  $f_{110} \approx 1 \dots 10$  G



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FNAL BPM develop.

Cavity:  $\varnothing$  113 mm

Gap length 15 mm

Mono.  $f_{010} = 1.12$  GHz

Dipole.  $f_{110} = 1.47$  GHz

$Q_{load} \approx 600$

With comparable BPM

$\Rightarrow$  **0.1  $\mu$ m resolution within 1  $\mu$ s**

## Comparison of BPM Types (simplified)



Type	Usage	Precaution	Advantage	Disadvantage
<b>Shoe-box</b>	p-Synch.	Long bunches $f_{\text{rf}} < 10$ MHz	Very linear No x-y coupling Sensitive For broad beams	Complex mechanics Capacitive coupling between plates
<b>Button</b>	p-Linacs, all e <sup>-</sup> acc.	$f_{\text{rf}} > 10$ MHz	Simple mechanics	Non-linear, x-y coupling Possible signal deformation
<b>Stipline</b>	colliders p-Linacs all e <sup>-</sup> acc.	best for $\beta \approx 1$ , short bunches	Directivity 'Clean' signals Large Signal	Complex 50 $\Omega$ matching Complex mechanics
<b>Ind. WCM</b>	all	non	Broadband	Complex, long insertion
<b>Cavity</b>	e <sup>-</sup> Linacs (e.g. FEL)	Short bunches Special appl.	Very sensitive	Very complex, high frequency

**Remark:** Other types are also some time used, e.g. inductive antenna based, BPMs with external resonator, slotted wave-guides for stochastic cooling etc.



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  - Noise consideration, broadband and narrowband analog processing, digital processing***
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# Characteristics for Position Measurement



**Sensitivity:** Factor between position calculation and signal quantity ( $\Delta/\Sigma$ ,  $\log U_1/U_2$  etc)

**Accuracy:** Ability for position reading relative to a mechanical fix-point ('absolute position')

- influenced by mechanical tolerances and alignment accuracy
- for cryogenic installations: reproducibility after cryogenic cycles
- by electronics: e.g. amplifier drifts, electronic interference, ADC granularity

**Resolution:** Ability to determine small displacement variation ('relative position')

- typically: *single bunch*:  $10^{-3}$  of aperture  $\approx 100 \mu\text{m}$   
*averaged*:  $10^{-5}$  of aperture  $\approx 1 \mu\text{m}$ , with dedicated methods  $\approx 0.1 \mu\text{m}$
- in most case much better than accuracy!
- electronics has to match the requirements e.g. bandwidth, ADC granularity...

**Bandwidth:** Frequency range available for measurement

- has to be chosen with respect to required resolution via analog or digital filtering

**Signal-to-noise:** Ratio of wanted signal to unwanted background

- influenced by thermal and circuit noise, electronic interference
- can be matched by bandwidth limitation

**Dynamic range:** Range of beam currents the system has to respond

- position reading should not depend on input amplitude

**Signal sensitivity = detection threshold:** minimum beam current for measurement

# General: Noise Consideration

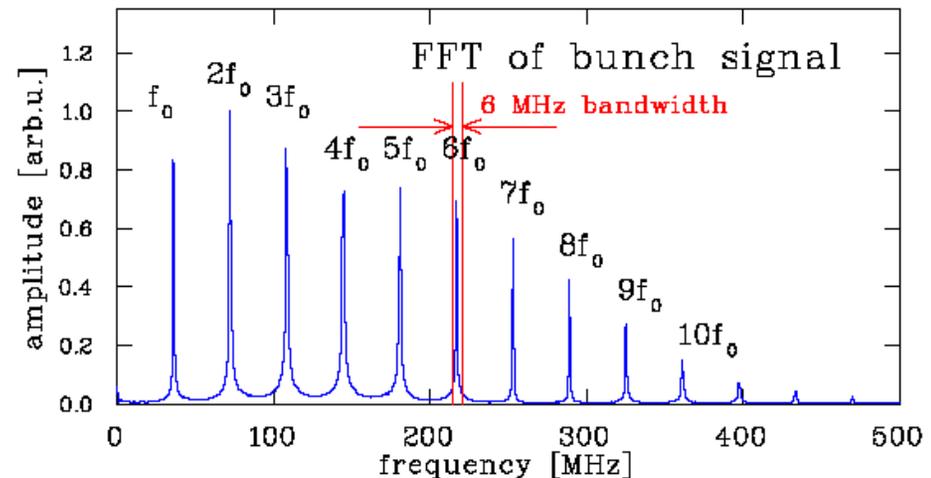
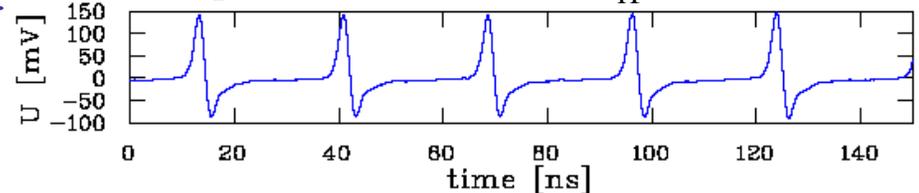


1. Signal voltage given by:  $U_{im}(f) = Z_t(f) \cdot I_{beam}(f)$
2. Position information from voltage difference:  $x \propto k \cdot U_{\Delta}$
3. Thermal noise voltage given by:  $U_{eff}(R, \Delta f) = \sqrt{4k_B \cdot T \cdot R \cdot \Delta f}$

⇒ Signal-to-noise  $U_{im}/U_{eff}$  is influenced by:

- Input signal amplitude
  - large or matched  $Z_t$
- Thermal noise at  $R=50\Omega$  for  $T=300K$ 
  - (for shoe box  $R=1k\Omega \dots 1M\Omega$ )
- Bandwidth  $\Delta f$ 
  - ⇒ Restriction of frequency width because the power is concentrated on the harmonics of  $f_{rf}$

Example: GSI-LINAC with  $f_{rf}=36$  MHz



**Remark:** Additional contribution by non-perfect electronics typically a factor 2

Pick-up by electro-magnetic interference can contribute ⇒ good shielding required

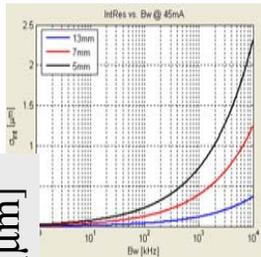


# Example for Noise Consideration



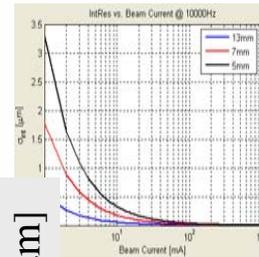
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3. Signal-to-noise ratio has to be calculated and expressed in spatial resolution  $\sigma$

Example for button BPM resolution at ALBA: **Estimation takes *only* thermal noise into account:**



$\varnothing$  button

$\Rightarrow \sigma \propto \sqrt{\Delta f}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Lower  $\sigma$  for large  $\varnothing$  button



Resolution  $\sigma$  [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]

$\Rightarrow \sigma$  decreases with current  
 $\Rightarrow$  Lower  $\sigma$  for large  $\varnothing$  button

Bandwidth [Hz]

Beam Current [mA]

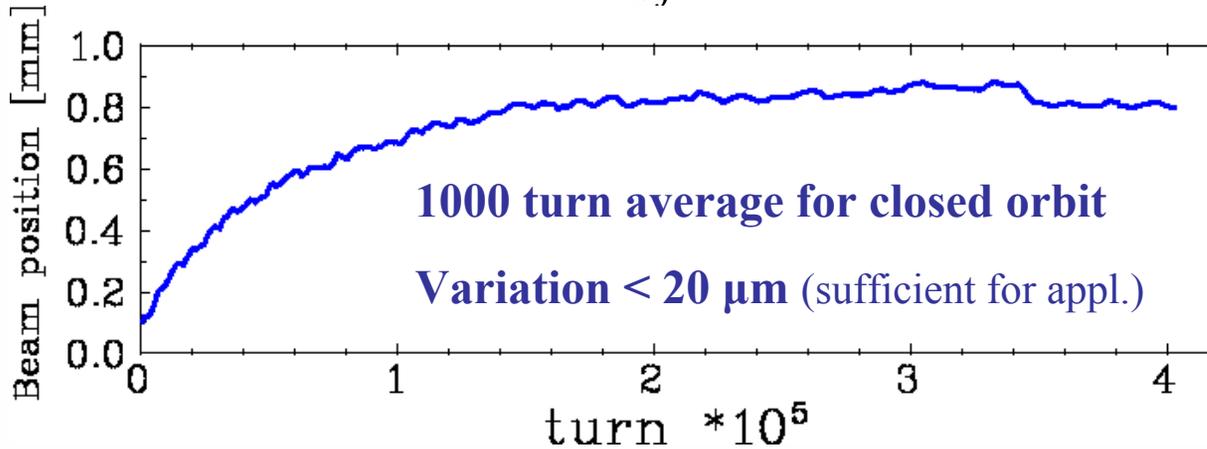
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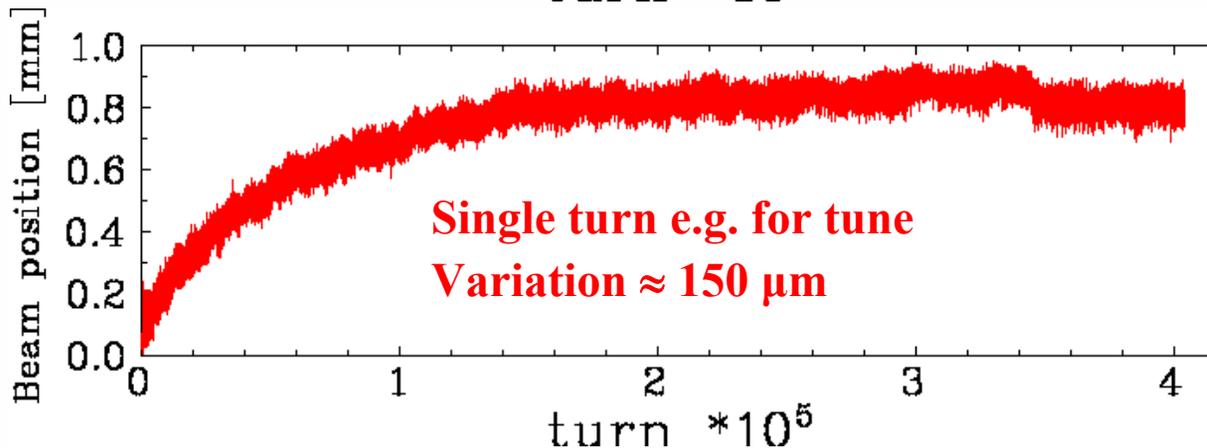
# Comparison: Filtered Signal ↔ Single Turn



*Example* GSI Synchr.:  $U^{73+}$ ,  $E_{inj}=11.5$  MeV/u  $\rightarrow$  250 MeV/u within 0.5 s,  $10^9$  ions



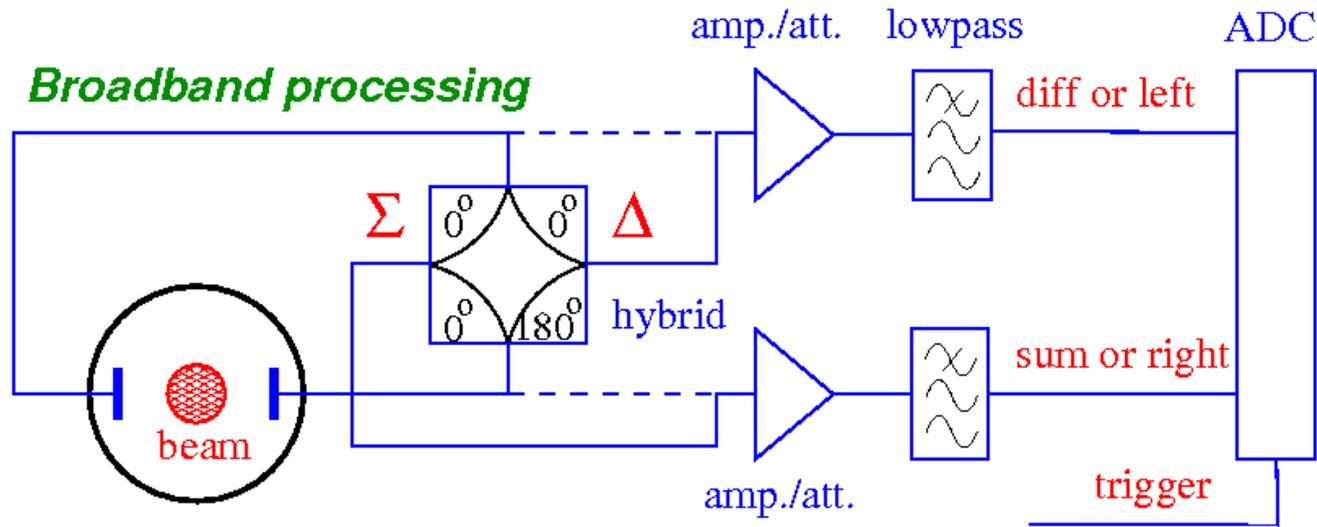
- Position resolution  $< 20 \mu\text{m}$  (BPM half aperture  $a=40$  mm)
- average over 1000 turns corresponding to  $\approx 0.3$  ms or  $\approx 1$  kHz bandwidth



- Turn-by-turn data have much larger variation

**However:** not only noise contributes but additionally **beam movement** by betatron oscillation  $\Rightarrow$  broadband processing i.e. turn-by-turn readout for tune determination

# General Idea: Broadband Processing

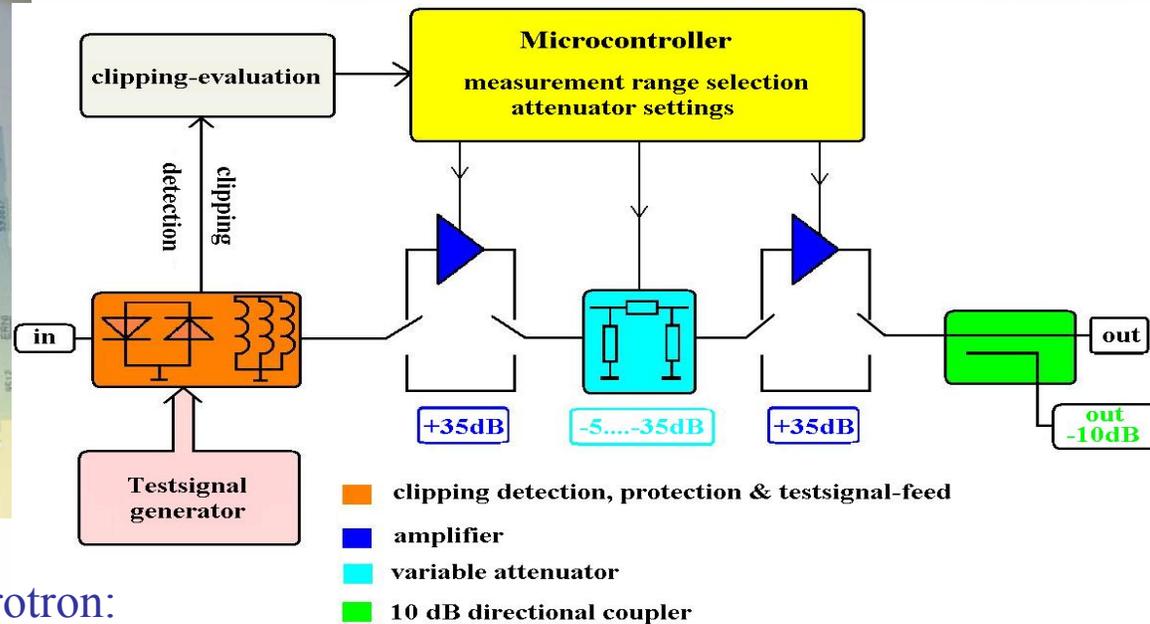
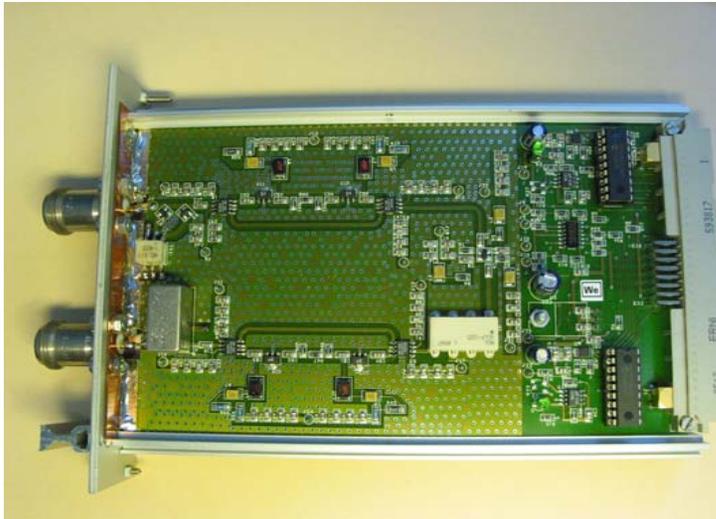


- Hybrid or transformer close to beam pipe for analog  $U_\Delta$  &  $U_\Sigma$  generation or  $U_{\text{left}}$  &  $U_{\text{right}}$
- Attenuator/amplifier
- Filter to get the wanted harmonics and to suppress stray signals
- ADC: digitalization of  $U_\Delta / U_\Sigma$  or calculation from  $U_{\text{left}}$  &  $U_{\text{right}}$

**Advantage:** Bunch-by-bunch possible, versatile post-processing possible

**Disadvantage:** Resolution down to  $\approx 100 \mu\text{m}$  for shoe box type, i.e.  $\approx 0.1\%$  of aperture, resolution is worse than narrowband processing.

# Linear Amplifier with large dynamic Range for p-Synchrotron



*Example:* pre-amp from GSI-synchrotron:

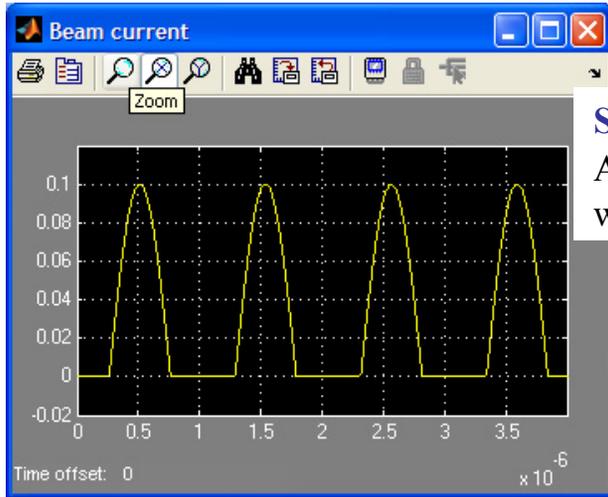
Shoe box BPM → matching 2:12 transformer  $R_{\text{prim}} = 1.8\text{k}\Omega \rightarrow \approx 3 \text{ m cable} \rightarrow \text{amplifier}$

- Requirement: Dynamic range from  $1 \times 10^8$  to  $4 \times 10^{13}$  charges per bunch  
 $\Rightarrow$  120dB dynamic range of signal amplitude
- Switchable 35dB amplifier stages, bandwidth 0.2 to 100 MHz.
- Variable PIN-diode attenuator -5dB...-35dB.
- Test generator input for control of constant gain and temperature drift calibration
- Common mode gain matching better than 0.1dB each BPM-plate pair for large accuracy

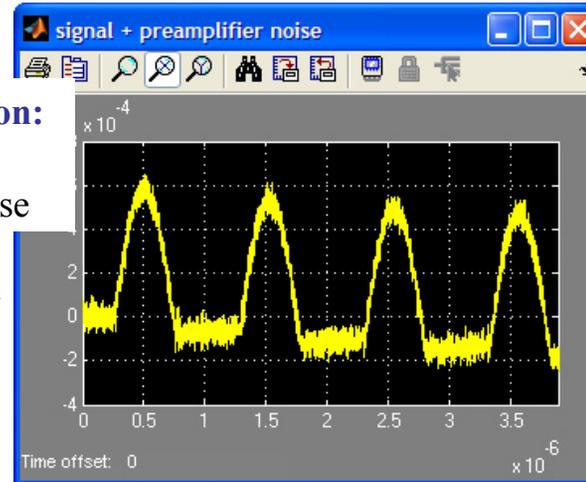
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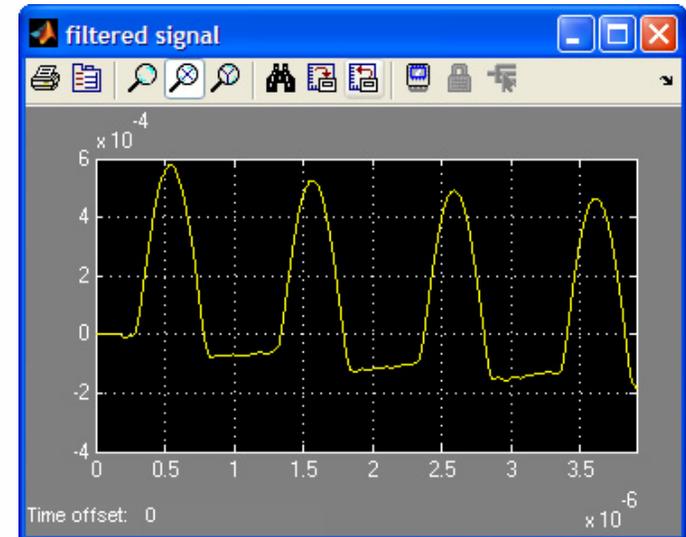
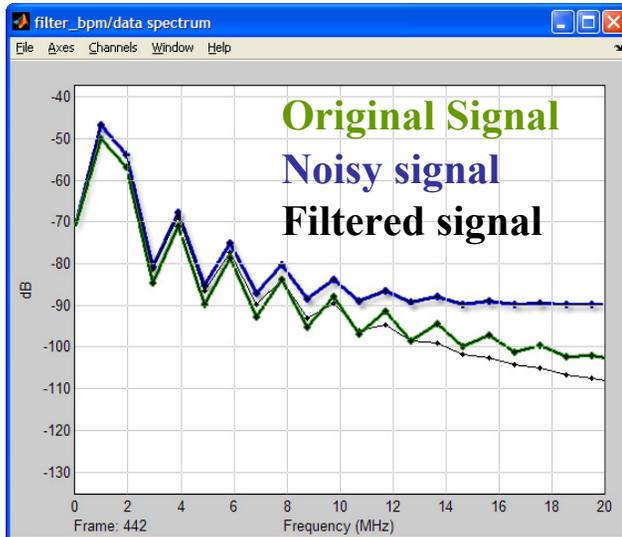
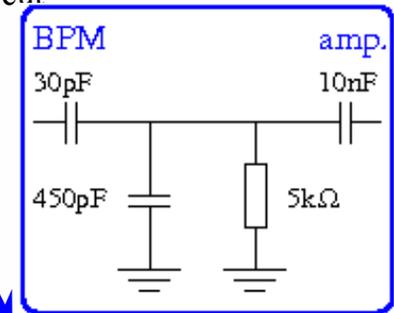
Goal of lowpass filter: restriction of bandwidth to the required resolution for the bunches



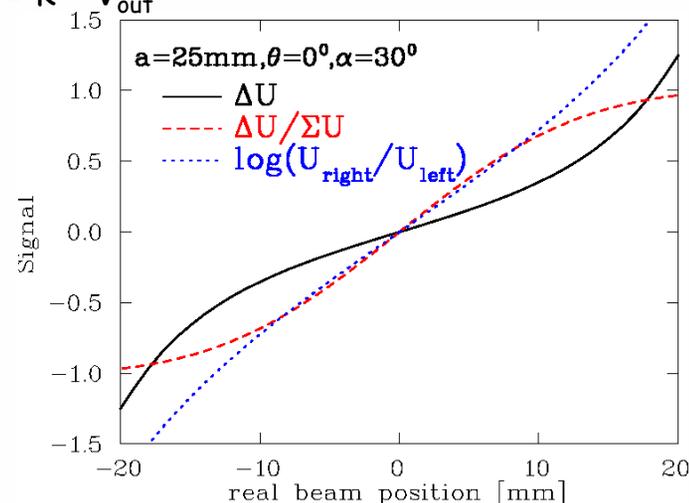
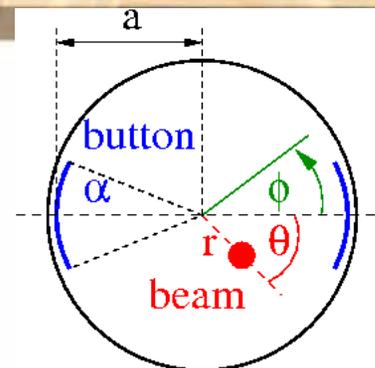
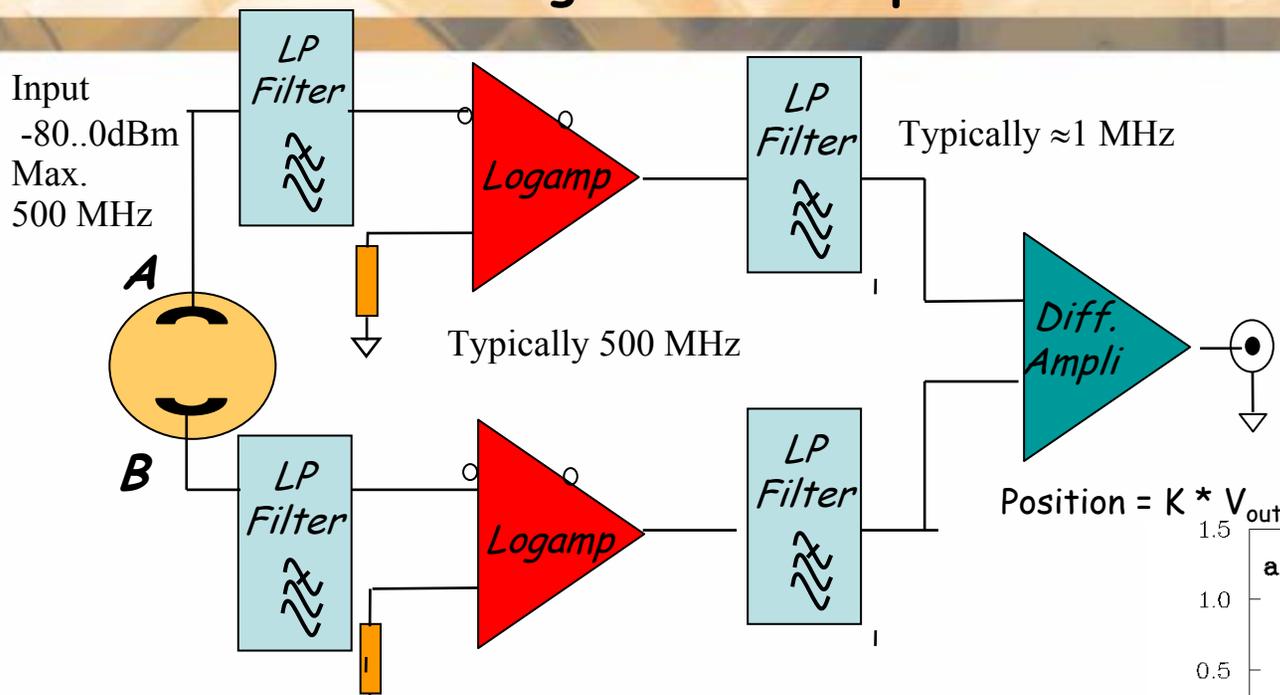
**Simulation:**  
Adding white noise



**Lowpass Filter:**  
Besselfilter of 3<sup>rd</sup> order  
 $f_{cut} = 10$  MHz



# Logarithmic Amplifier Schematics



- Signal is ‘compressed’ by a logarithmic amplifier, filtered and applied to a differential amplifier.
- Typical video bandwidth  $\approx 1\text{MHz}$
- Position:  $x = k \cdot [\log(A/B)] \equiv k \cdot [\log(A) - \log(B)] = k \cdot V_{out}$

**Advantage:** Improved linearity for button, broadband robust electronics, large  $\approx 90$  dB dynamics range without gain switching

**Disadvantage:** limited linearity and accuracy, possible temperature dependence

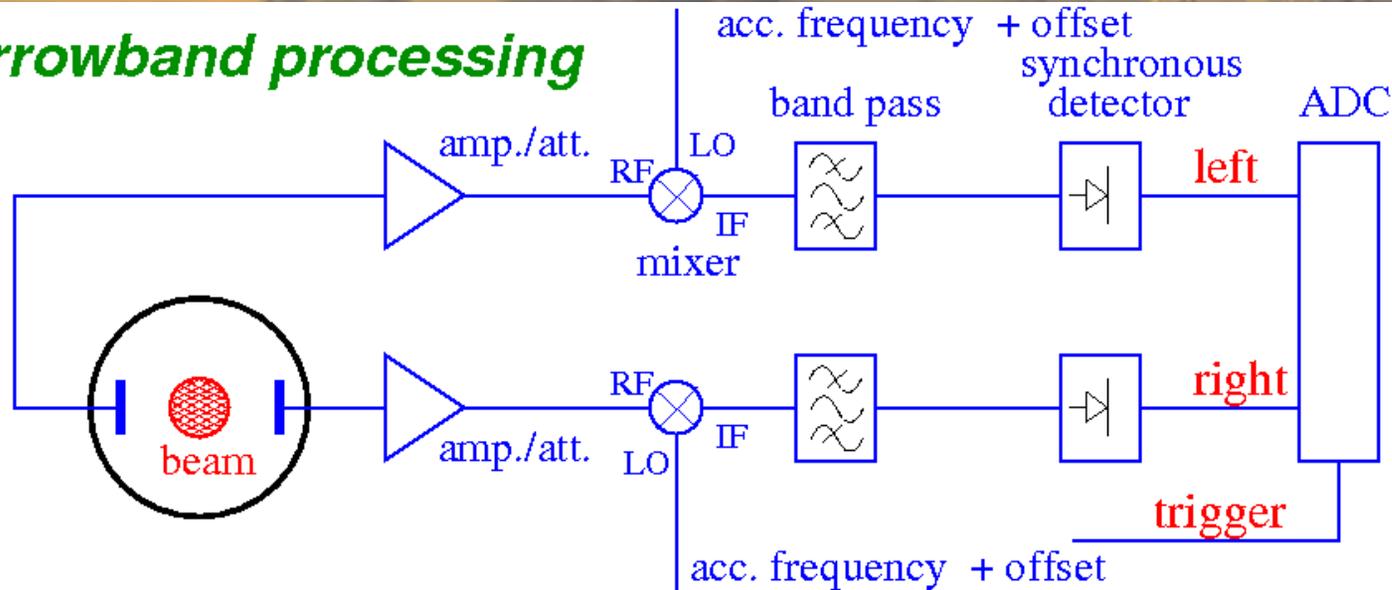
Log-amp card ready for BPM use is commercially available!



# General Idea: Narrowband Processing



## Narrowband processing



Narrowband processing equals heterodyne receiver (e.g. at AM-radios or spectrum analyzer)

- Attenuator/amplifier
- Mixing with accelerating frequency  $f_{rf} \Rightarrow$  signal with sum and difference frequency
- Bandpass filter of the mixed signal (e.g. at 10.7 MHz)
- Rectifier: synchronous detector
- ADC: digital calculation of  $\Delta U/\Sigma U$

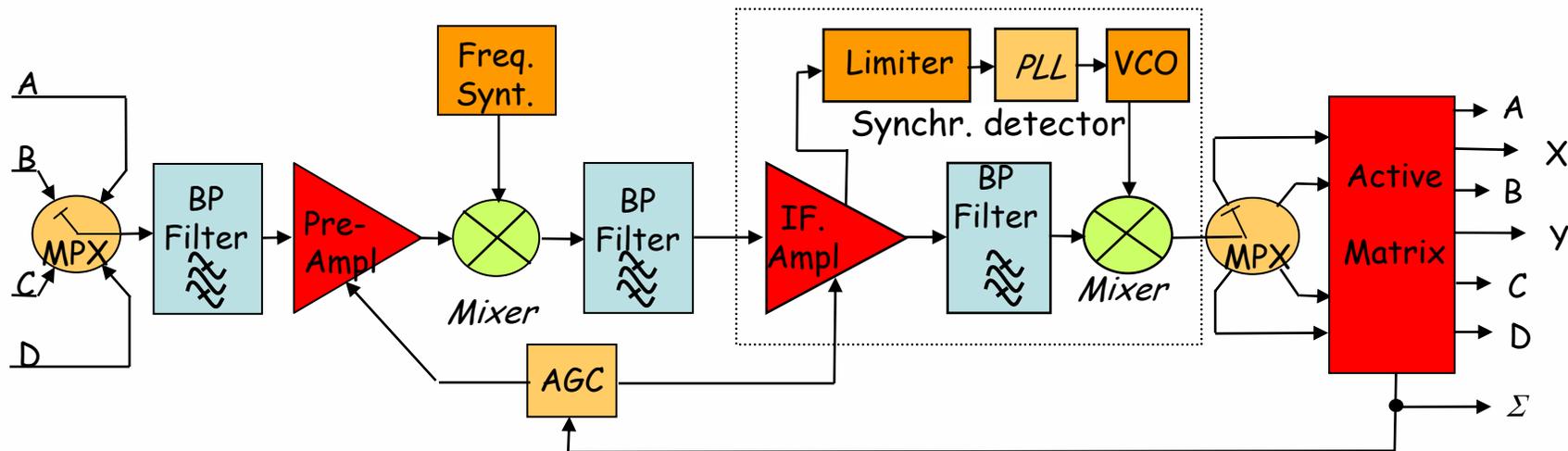
**Advantage:** spatial resolution about 100 times better than broadband processing.

**Disadvantage:** No turn-by-turn diagnosis, due to mixing = 'long averaging time'

For non-relativistic p-synchrotron  $\rightarrow$  variable  $f_{rf}$  leads via mixing to constant intermediate freq.

# Narrowband Processing with Multiplexing

Dedicated analog electronics for narrowband processing on one card (commercially available):



**Idea:** narrowband processing, all buttons at same path  $\Rightarrow$  multiplexing of single electronics chain

**Multiplexing within  $\approx 1\text{ms}$ :**  $\Rightarrow$  only one button is processed  $\Rightarrow$  minimal drifts contribution

**Processing chain:** Buttons  $\rightarrow$  multiplexer  $\rightarrow$  filter  $\rightarrow$  linear amplifier with fine gain steps  
 $\rightarrow$  mixing with  $f_{rf}$   $\rightarrow$  narrow intermediate frequency filter BW 0.1 ....1 MHz  
 $\rightarrow$  synchronous detector for rectification  $\rightarrow$  de-multiplexer  $\rightarrow$  slow and precise ADC

**Advantage:** High accuracy, high resolution, high dynamic range by automated gain control AGC

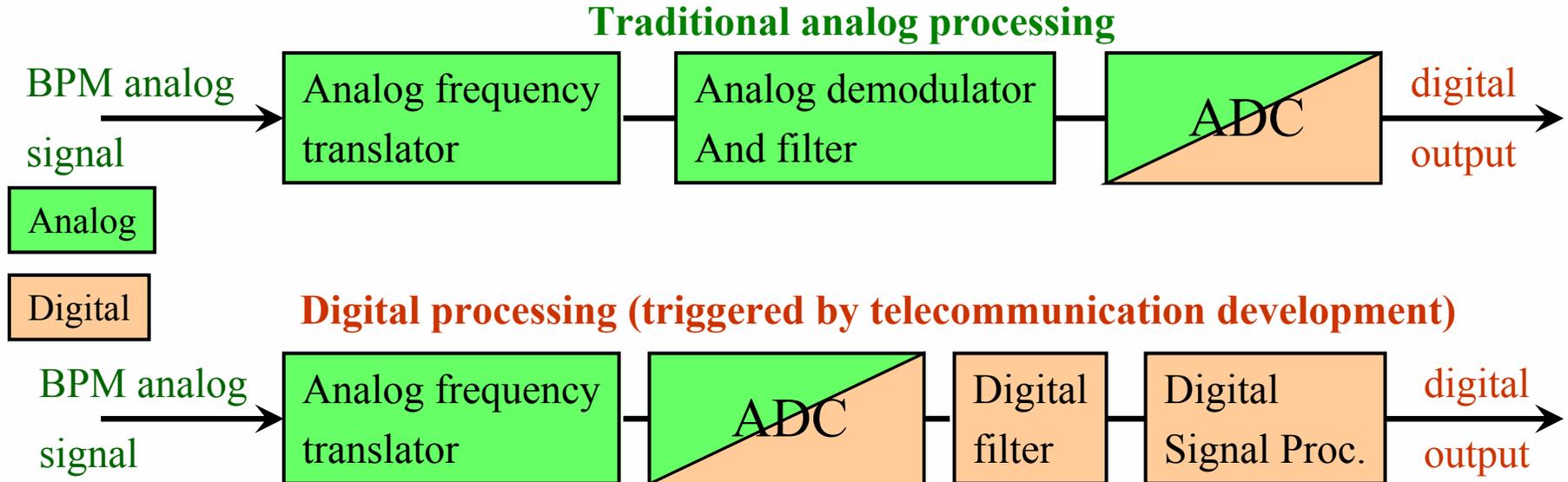
**Disadvantage:** Multiplexing  $\Rightarrow$  only for stable beams  $\gg 10\text{ ms}$ , narrowband  $\Rightarrow$  no turn-by-turn

**Remark:** ‘Stable’ beam e.g. at synch. light source, but not at accelerating synchrotrons!

# Analog versus Digital Signal Processing



Modern instrumentation uses **digital** techniques with extended functionality.



Digital receiver as modern successor of heterodyne receiver

- Basic functionality is preserved but implementation is very different
- Digital transition just after the amplifier&filter or mixing unit
- Signal conditioning (filter, decimation, averaging) on FPGA

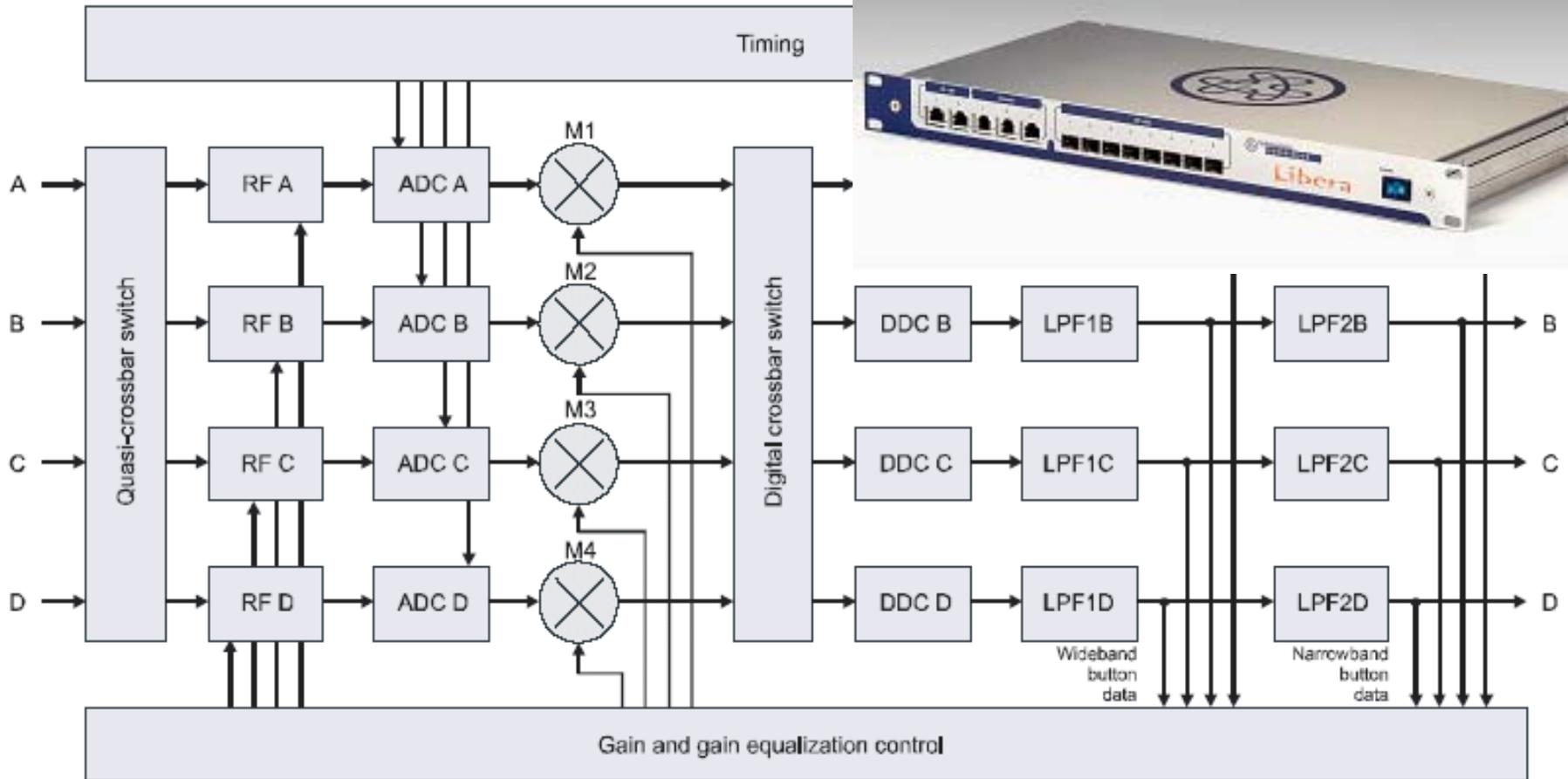
**Advantage of DSP:** Stable operation, flexible adoption without hardware modification

**Disadvantage of DSP:** non, good engineering skill requires for development, expensive

# Digital Signal Processing Realization



Multiplexing, digitalization and digital filtering (commercially available):



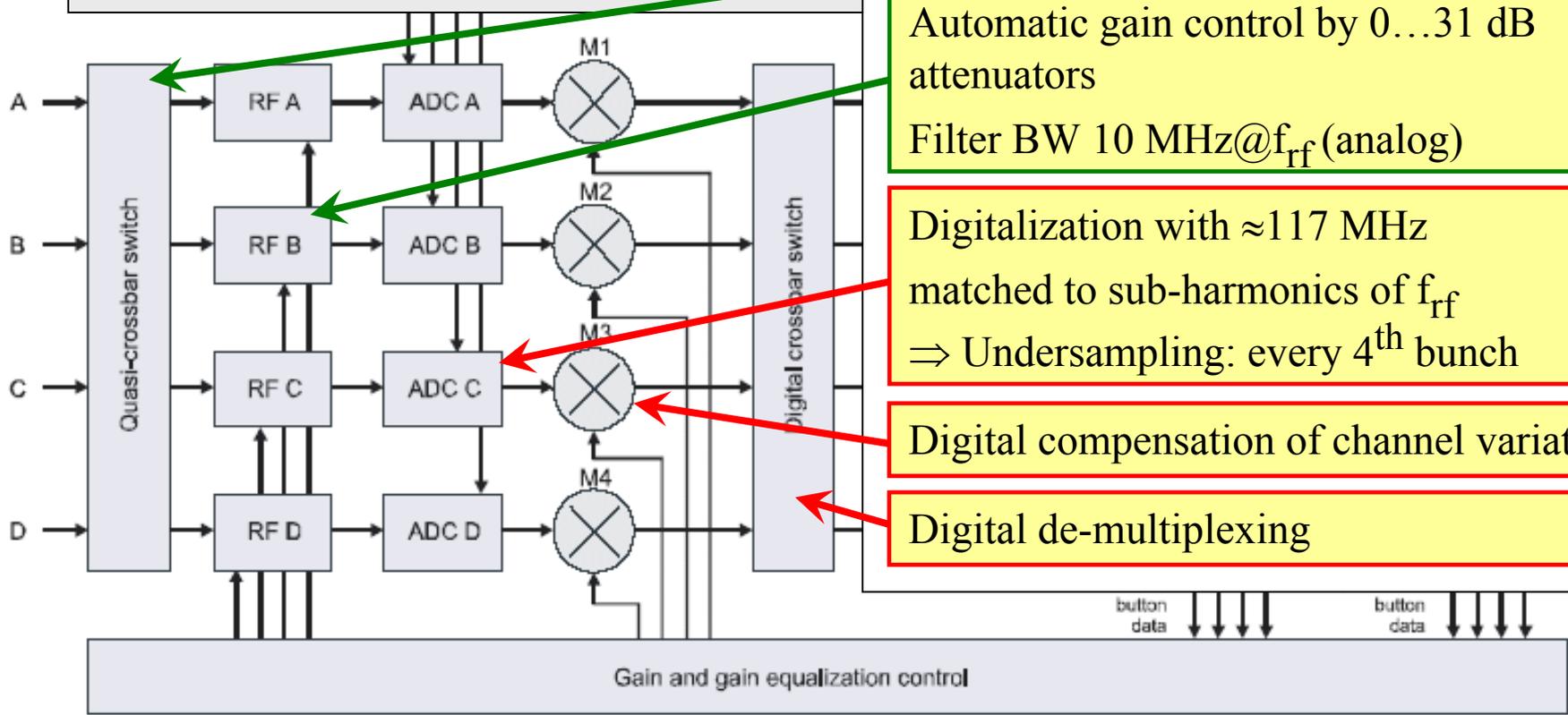
From I-Tech LIBERA Specification

# LIBERA Digital BPM Readout: Analog Part and Digitalization



Timing for Synchrotron Light Source:

$f_{rf} = 352$  or  $500$  MHz, revolution  $f_{rev} \approx 1$  MHz



Crossbar multiplexing of **all** channels at  $\approx 13$  kHz (analog)

Automatic gain control by 0...31 dB attenuators

Filter BW 10 MHz @  $f_{rf}$  (analog)

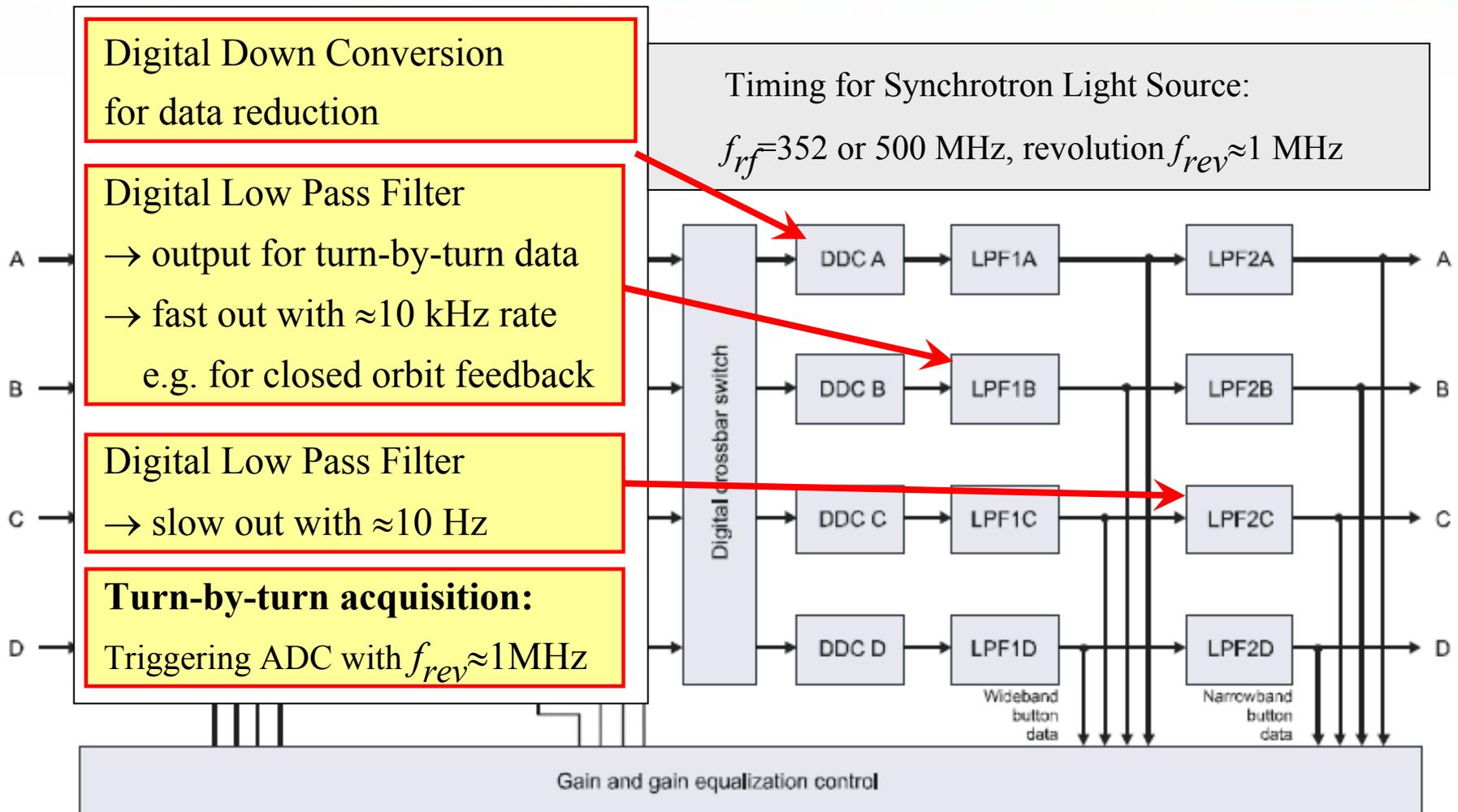
Digitalization with  $\approx 117$  MHz matched to sub-harmonics of  $f_{rf}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Undersampling: every 4<sup>th</sup> bunch

Digital compensation of channel variation

Digital de-multiplexing

From I-Tech LIBERA Specification

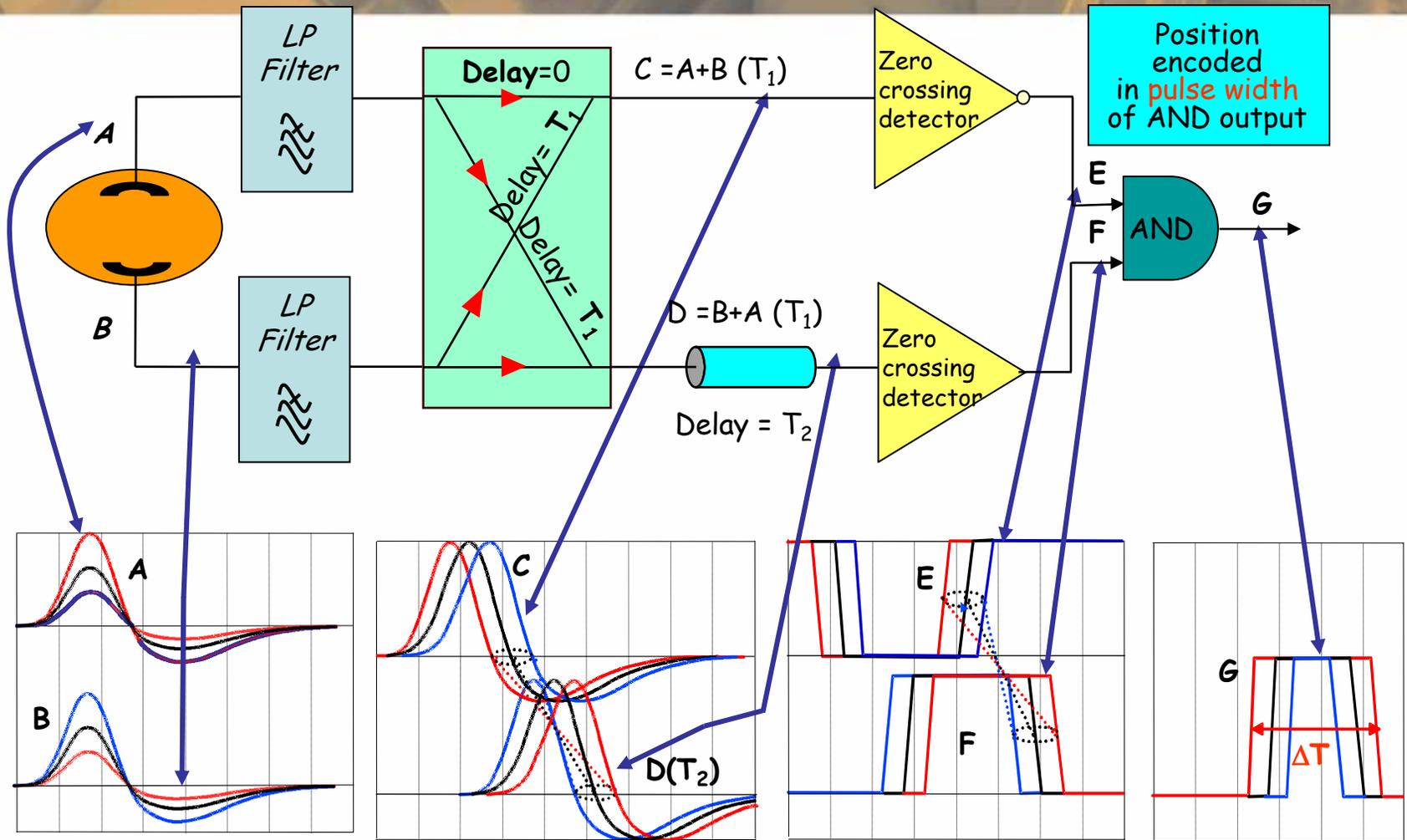
# LIBERA Digital BPM Readout: Digital Signal Processing



**Remark:** For p-synchrotrons direct ‘baseband’ digitalization with 125 MS/s due to  $f_{rf} < 10$  MHz

From I-Tech LIBERA Specification

# Amplitude-to-Time Normalizer Schematics



**Remark:** Design for LHC with  $f_{rf}=40$  MHz and  $\approx 900$  locations  
Partly comparable to traditional AM/PM modulation

From G. Vismara, CERN, DIPAC 1999

# Amplitude-to-Time Normalizer Description



## General functionality for Amplitude-to-time Normalizer:

- Bipolar signals A, B are split into two branches
- One branch is delayed by  $T_1$
- The delayed signal of A is added to the direct branch of B and vice versa
- The zero crossing time depends on the signals ratio and varies in opposite directions for two branches; it can vary up to a maximum of  $T_1$
- Zero-crossing detector converts to time  $\rightarrow$  start of logical pulse  $\Leftrightarrow$  zero crossing
- Delay of channel D by  $T_2$
- AND produces time overlap of channel C and D
- Position information is given by  $\Delta t = 2 * T_1 [(A - B) / (A + B)] + T_2$
- **Requirement:** Bunch separation  $> T_1 + T_2$

**Advantage:** reduction of 2 channels and cables, high input dynamics, auto-trigger

**Disadvantage:** requires specialized and tightly time-adjusted electronics, no intensity signal

**Remark:**

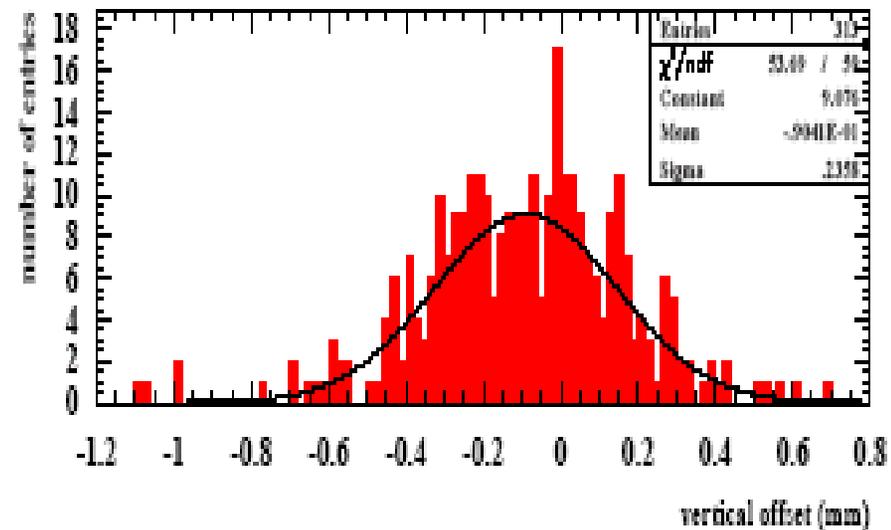
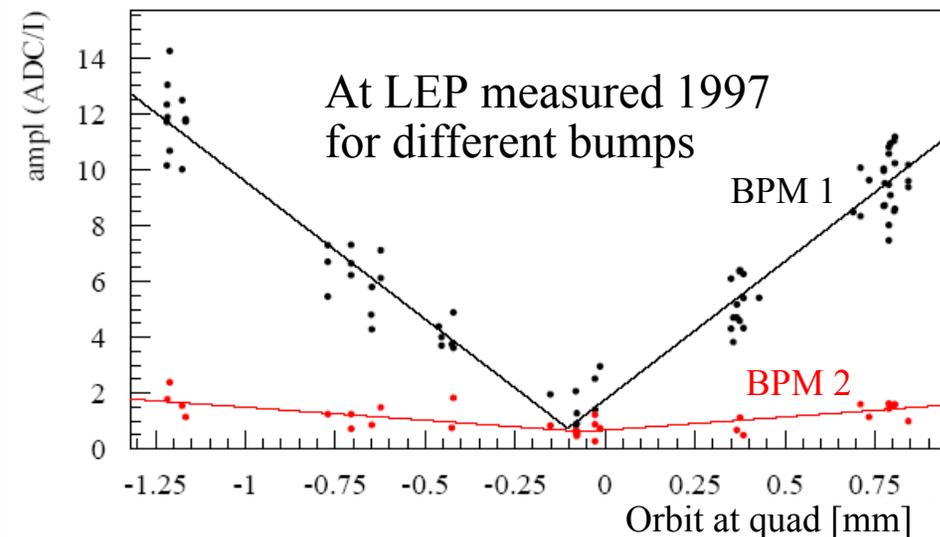
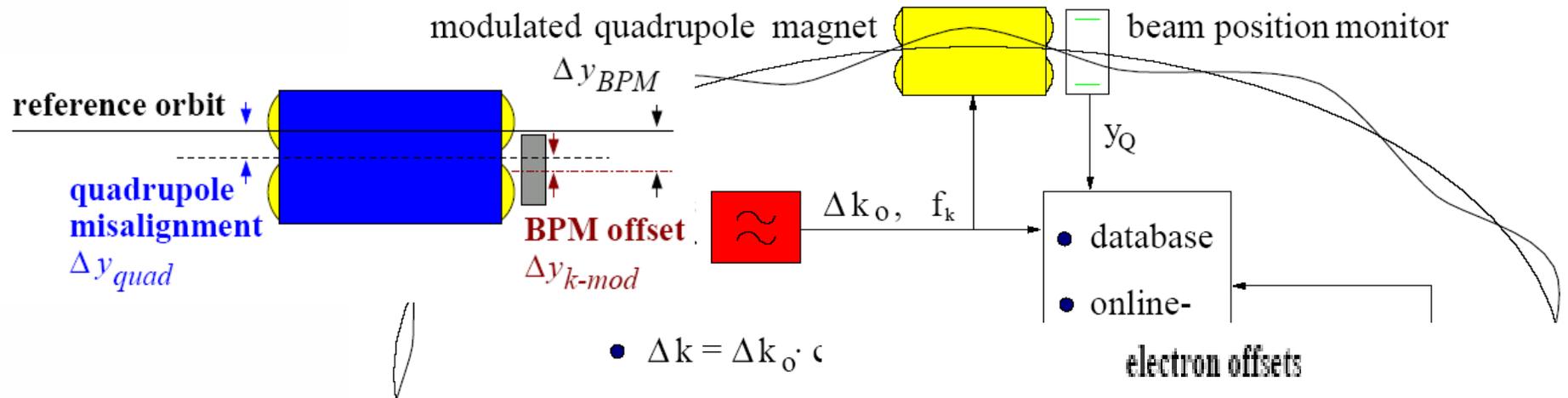
# Comparison of BPM Readout Electronics (simplified)



Type	Usage	Precaution	Advantage	Disadvantage
<b>Broadband</b>	p-sychr.	Long bunches	Bunch structure signal Post-processing possible Required for fast feedback	Resolution limited by noise
<b>Log-amp</b>	all	Bunch train >10 $\mu$ s	Robust electronics High dynamics Good for industrial appl.	No bunch-by-bunch Possible drifts (dc, Temp.) Medium accuracy
<b>Narrowband</b>	all sychr.	Stable beams >100 rf-periods	High resolution	No turn-by-turn Complex electronics
<b>Narrowband +Multiplexing</b>	all sychr.	Stable beams >10ms	Highest resolution	No turn-by-turn, complex Only for stable storage
<b>Digital Signal Processing</b>	all	Several bunches ADC 125 MS/s	Very flexible High resolution <b>Trendsetting technology for future demands</b>	Limited time resolution by ADC $\rightarrow$ undersampling (complex or expensive)
<b>Ampl.-to-Time Normal. and AM<math>\rightarrow</math>PM</b>	(all)	Limited $f_{\text{rf}}$ Low bunching factor	Only 2 channels High dynamics	Special electronics No intensity signal A bit exotic

# Remark: Calibration of BPM Center by k-Modulation

The accuracy can be improved by 'k-modulation'  
 → alignment of the BPM with respect to the axis of the quadrupoles





# Beam Position Monitor: Detector Principle, Hardware and Electronics

## *Outline:*

- *Signal generation → transfer impedance*
- *Consideration for capacitive shoe box BPM*
- *Consideration for capacitive button BPM*
- *Other BPM principles: stripline → traveling wave, inductive → wall current, cavity → resonator for dipole mode*
- *Electronics for position evaluation*
- *Some examples for position evaluation and other applications closed orbit, tune, bunch capture, energy at LINAC*
- *Summary*

# Close Orbit Measurement



Detected position on an analog narrowband basis → closed orbit with ms time steps  
 Example from GSI-Synchrotron:



# Tune Measurement



Detecting the bunch position on a turn-by-turn basis the tune can be determined:

Fourier transformation of position data

→ tune within 2000 turns corresponding  $\approx 5$  ms time resolution

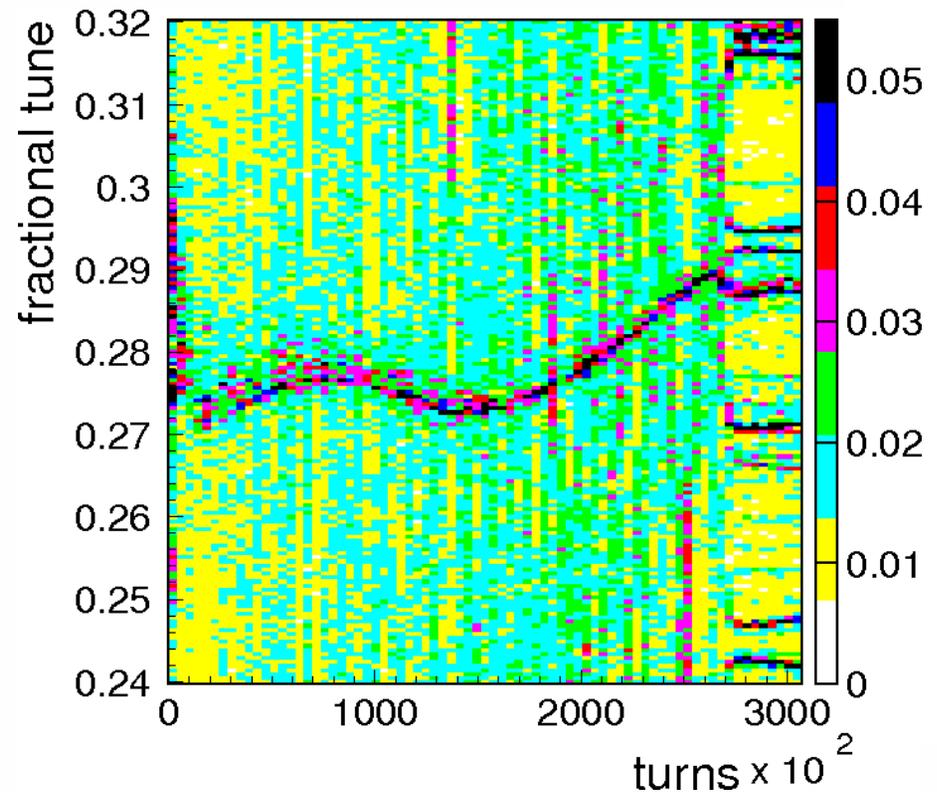
**Beam parameters at GSI Synchr.:**

$U^{73+}$  acc. 11 → 250 MeV/u

within 500 ms,

Noise excitation corresponding  $\Delta Q=0.04$

of power 1.5 W



Form U. Rauch, GSI

# Low Current Measurement on a relative Basis

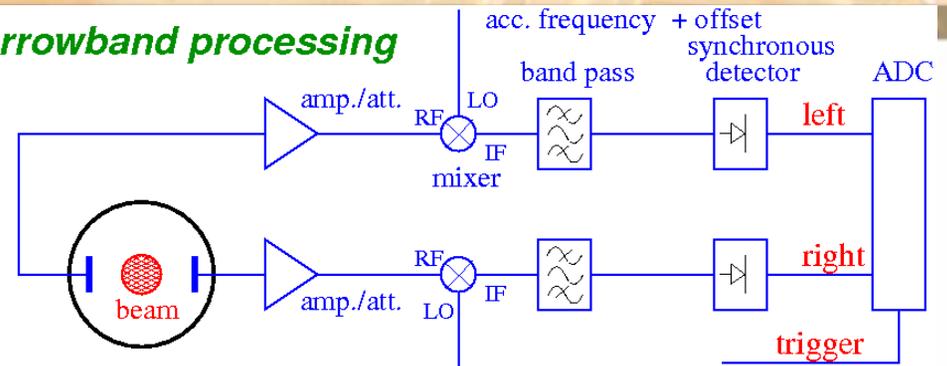
The sensitivity of a BPM  $\Sigma$ -signal by narrowband processing is higher as for a dc-transformer (with  $\approx 1 \mu\text{A}$  on 1 kHz bandwidth).  
Sum-Signal after mixing with  $f_{\text{rf}}$ :  
 $I_{\text{beam}} > 10 \text{ nA}$  on 1 kHz bandwidth

**But:**

- Only for bunched beams
- Only relative measurement:  
→ Signal strength depend on bunch shape i.e. frequency component!

Beam parameter:  $U^{73+}$ ,  
11 MeV/u → 1 GeV/u

## Narrowband processing



# Example for longitudinal Bunch Shape Observation

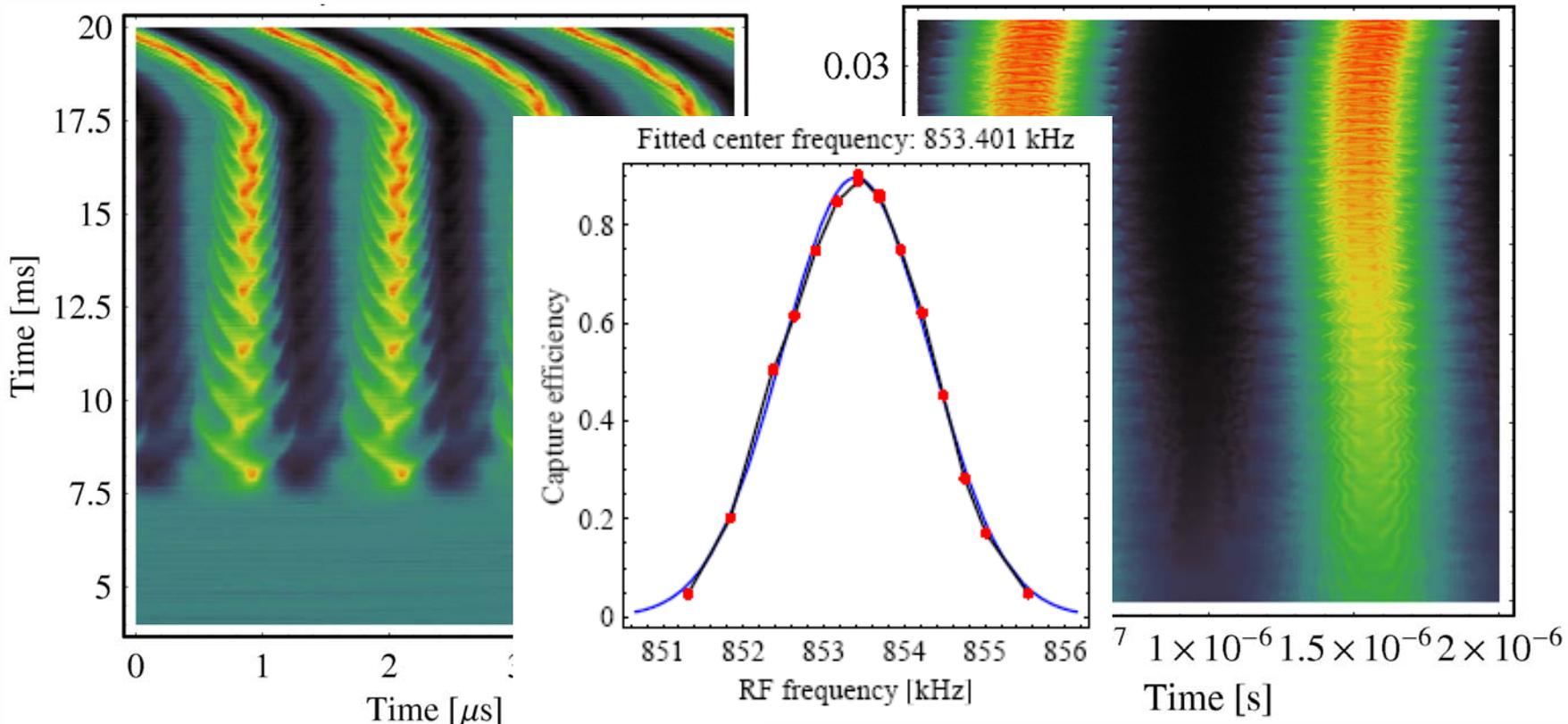


*Example:* After multi-turn injection, the **bunch formation** is critical to avoid coherent synchrotron oscillations → emittance enlargement

$f_{rf}$  shift by 0.2% of nominal value

Matched  $f_{rf} \Rightarrow$  no oscillation

$\Rightarrow$  Coherent oscillation



Required accuracy here:  $\Delta f_{rf} = 1$  kHz or or  $\Delta f_{rf}/f_{rf} = 0.1\%$

Form H. Damerau, GSI



# BPM for Energy Determination



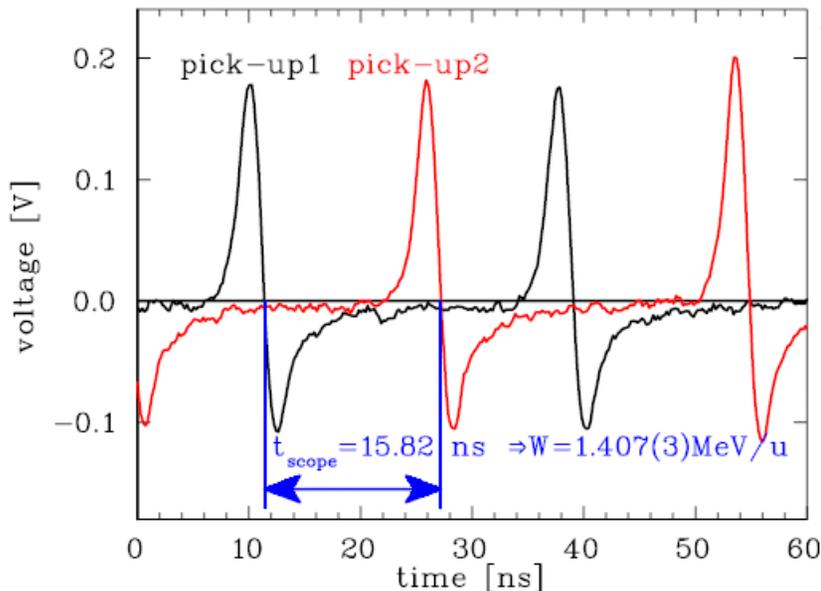
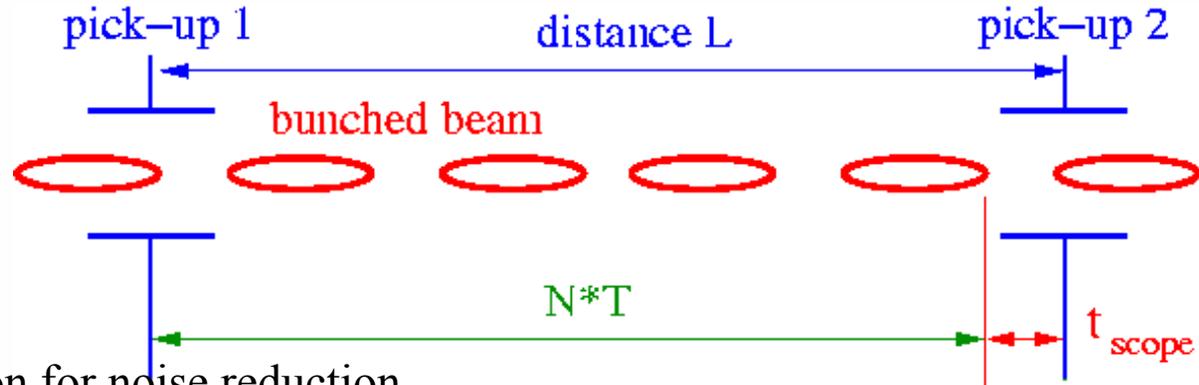
Important tool for rf-phase and amplitude alignment:

Time-of-flight measurement  
with 100 ps resolution  
(='phase measurement')

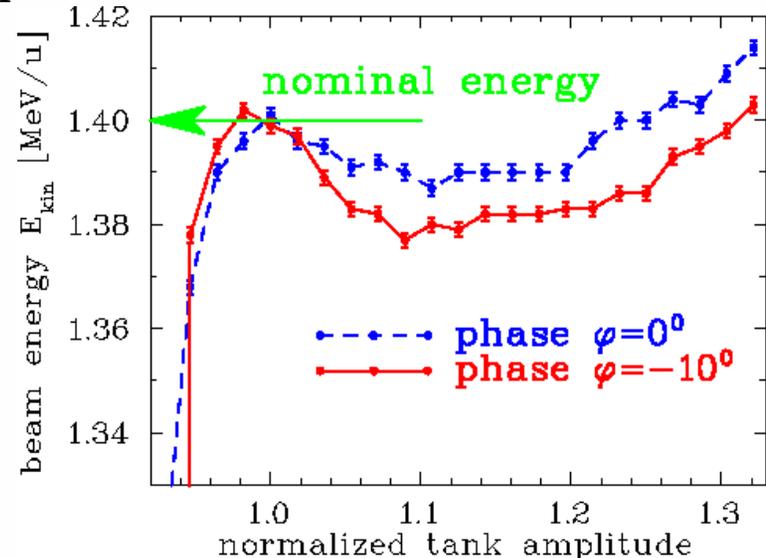
Modern system:

Digitalization

+ correlation function calculation for noise reduction.



Example: TOF for 1.4 MeV/u behind IH-LINAC



# Summary



With BPMs the center in the transverse plane is determined for bunched beams.

Coupling beam  $\rightarrow$  detector given by the transfer impedance  $Z_t(\omega)$  signal estimation  $I_{beam} \rightarrow U_{im}$

## Different type of BPM:

**Shoe box = linear cut:** for p-synchrotrons with  $f_{rf} < 10$  MHz

**Advantage:** very linear. **Disadvantage:** complex mechanics

**Button:** Most frequently used at all accelerators, best for  $f_{rf} > 10$  MHz

**Advantage:** compact mechanics. **Disadvantage:** non-linear, low signal

**Stripline:** Taking traveling wave behavior into account, best for short bunches

**Advantage:** precise signal. **Disadvantage:** Complex mechanics for  $50\Omega$ , non-linear

**Cavity BPM:** dipole mode excitation  $\rightarrow$  high resolution  $1\mu\text{m}@1\mu\text{s}$   $\leftrightarrow$  spatial application

## Electronics used for BPMs:

**Basics:** Resolution in space  $\leftrightarrow$  resolution in time i.e. the bandwidth has to match the application

**Broadband processing:** Full information available, but lower resolution, for fast feedback

**Log-amp:** robust electronics, high dynamics, but less precise

**Analog narrowband processing:** high resolution, but not for fast beam variation

**Digital processing:** very flexible, but limited ADC speed, more complex