

Photo-injector laser for CTF3 and CLIC

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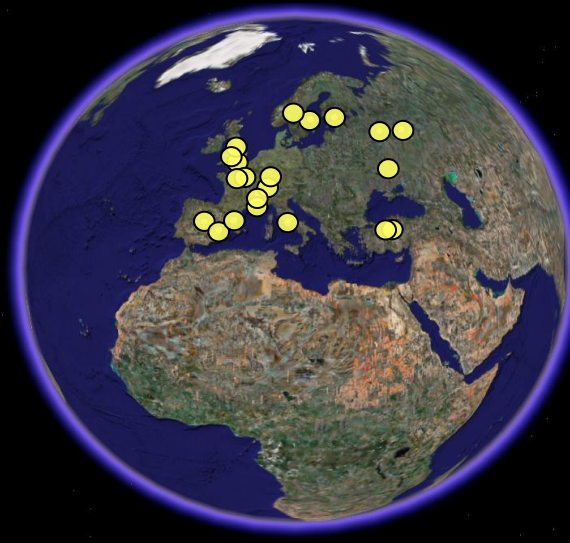
Outline

- CLIC project
- Photo-injectors
- Choice of drive beam
- The laser system
- Time structure/Phase-coding
- The electron beam
- Photo-injector for CLIC/ challenges

The CLIC/CTF3 Collaboration



38 institutes from 19 countries



Aarhus University (Denmark)
 Ankara University (Turkey)
 Argonne National Laboratory (USA)
 Athens University (Greece)
 BINP (Russia)
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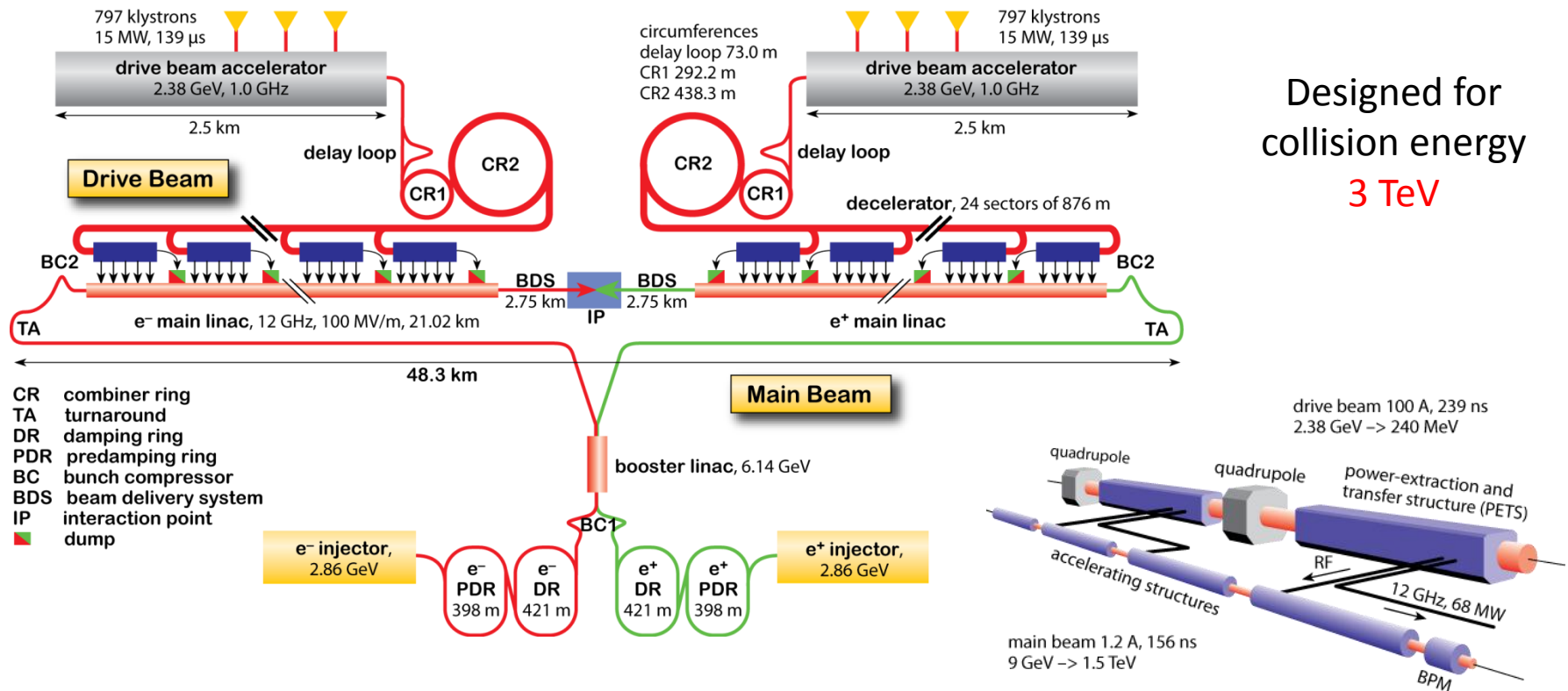
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CLIC project



CLIC (Compact Linear Collider) is a study for a future **electron-positron collider** that would allow physicists to study whatever LHC finds and aim at a complementary 0.5-3TeV range. It will be a precision measurement device.

<http://clic-study.web.cern.ch/clic-study/>



Designed for
collision energy
3 TeV

CLIC relies upon a **two-beam-acceleration concept**, which provides **100 MV/m** accelerating gradients: The 12 GHz RF power is generated by a high current electron beam (drive beam) running parallel to the main beam.

Photoinjectors

Since 1985 when the photoinjector concept has been introduced their use has grown substantially

Laser pulses illuminate a photocathode generating e-bunches by photoemission process.

The cathode is placed into an accelerating structure serving to extract the electron bunches.

Multi-cell rf gun cavity with high peak electric field

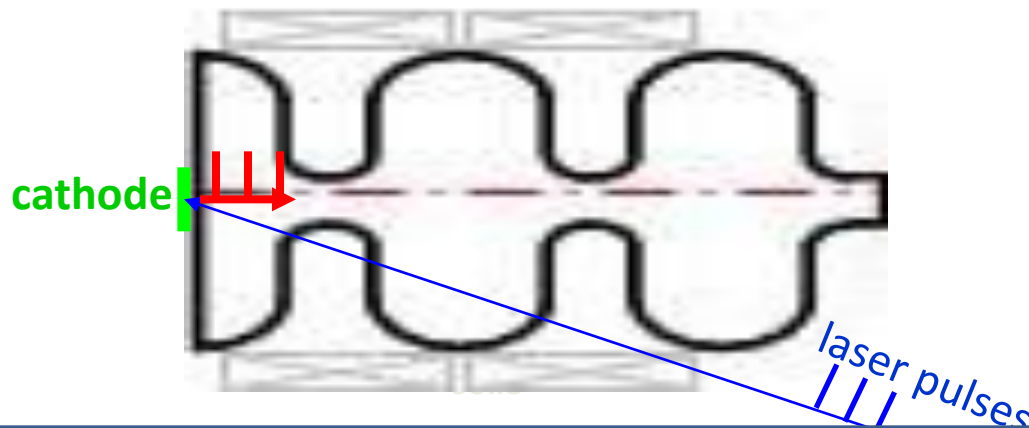
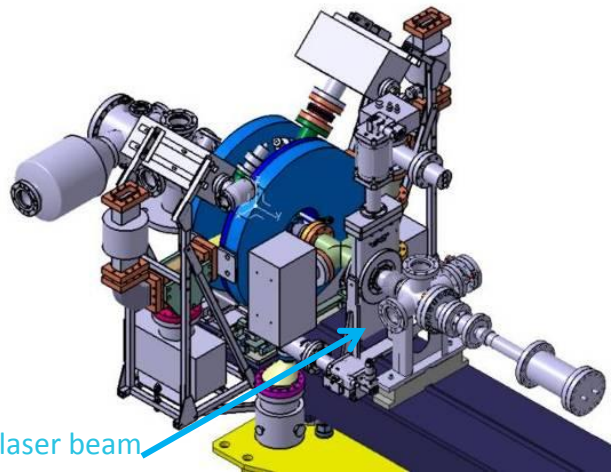
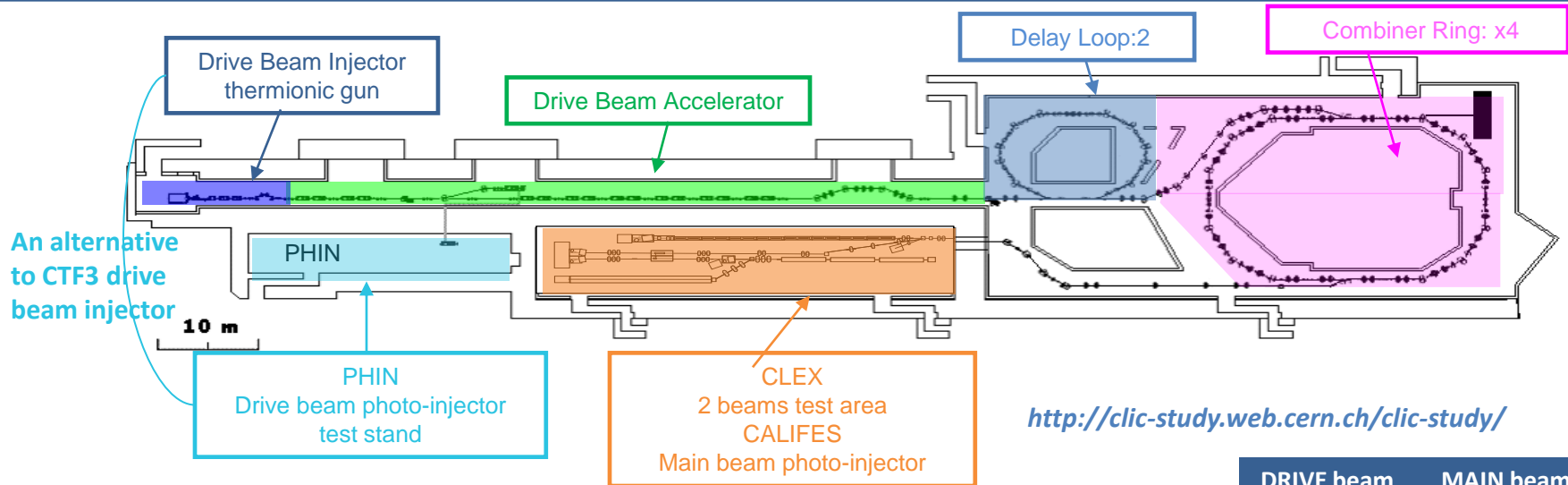


Photo-injectors for CTF3 (CLIC Test Facility 3)



	DRIVE beam		MAIN beam	
	PHIN	CALIFES		
charge/bunch (nC)	2.3	0.6		
Number of subtrains	8	NA		
Number of pulses in subtrain	212	NA		
gate (ns)	1272	20-150		
bunch spacing(ns)	0.666	0.666		
bunch length (ps)	<10	10		
Rf replate (GHz)	1.5	1.5		
number of bunches	1802	32		
machine replate (Hz)	5	5		
margin for the laser	1.5	1.5		
charge stability	<0.25%	<3%		
QE(%) of Cs2Te cathode	3	0.3		

Machine parameters set the requirement for the laser

Drive Beam injector choice

Baseline: Thermionic gun with 500 MHz sub harmonic bunching and bunch compressor, 1 GHz acceleration

Advantages of a photo injector for the CLIC DB

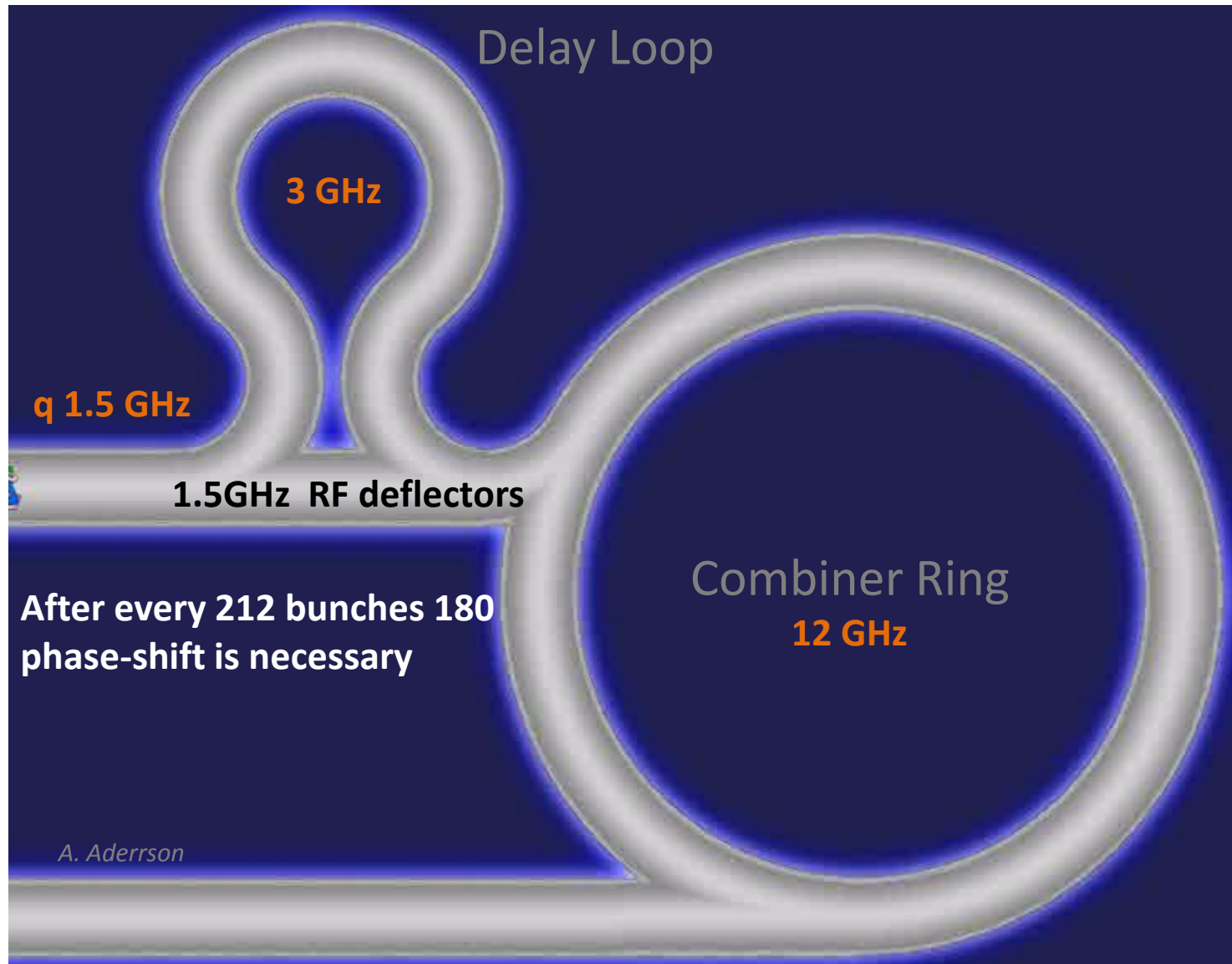
- Time structure already defined by the laser, short bunches
- Satellite-free phase coding, less losses
- No bunching system needed and less bunch compression later on
- Smaller emittance $< 10 \mu\text{m}$ in theory, $< 40 \mu\text{m}$ from PHIN extrapolation

(thermionic gun is specified for $< 100 \mu\text{m}$)

Disadvantages:

- Potential 'frequent' cathode changes (5 days)
- Amplitude stability of the laser transferred to charge instabilities

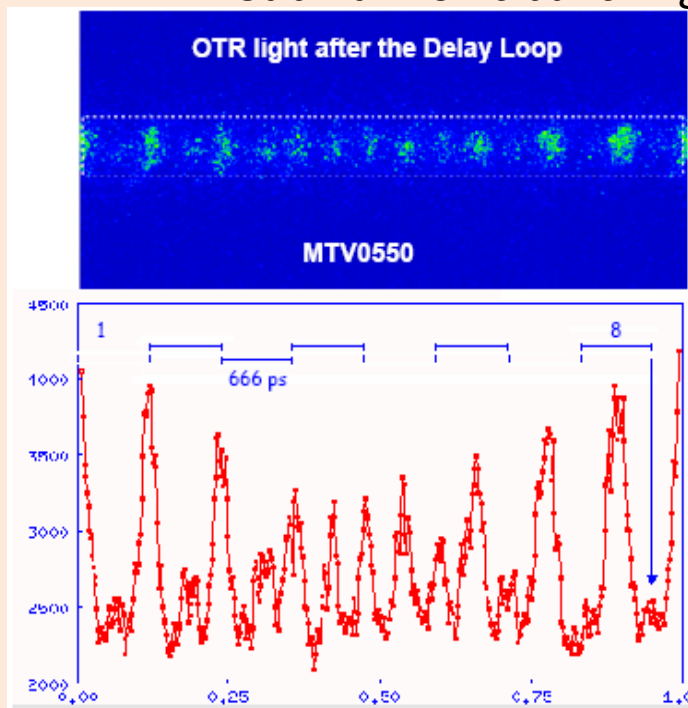
The time structure/beam combination



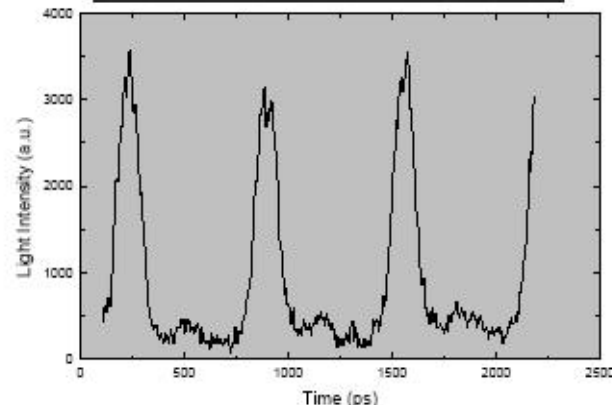
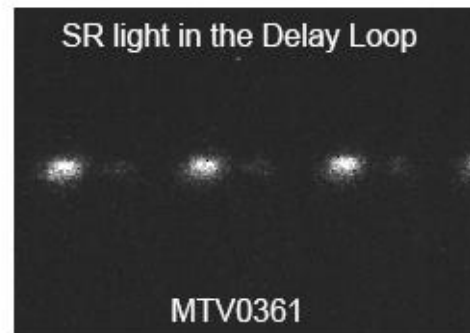
Time structure requirement

With thermionic gun

Sub-harmonic bunching and bunch compression



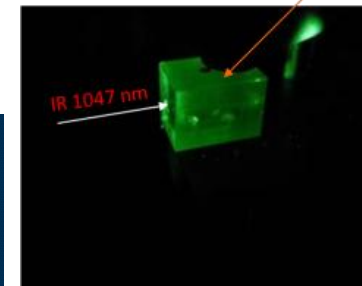
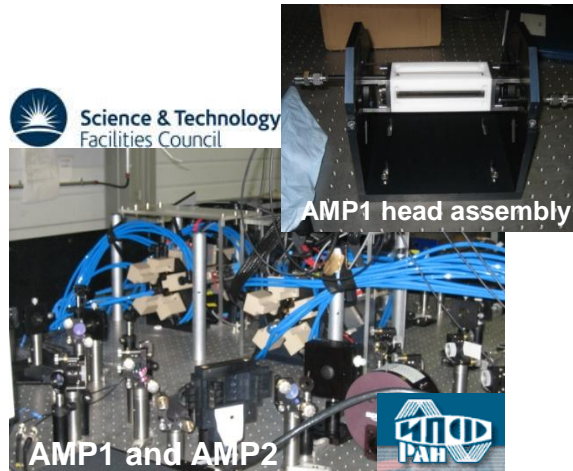
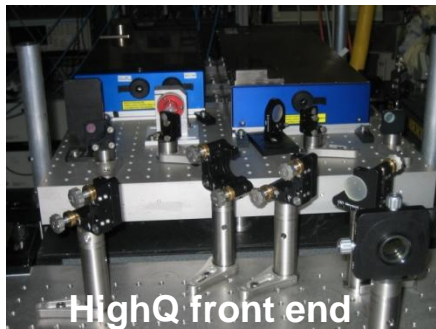
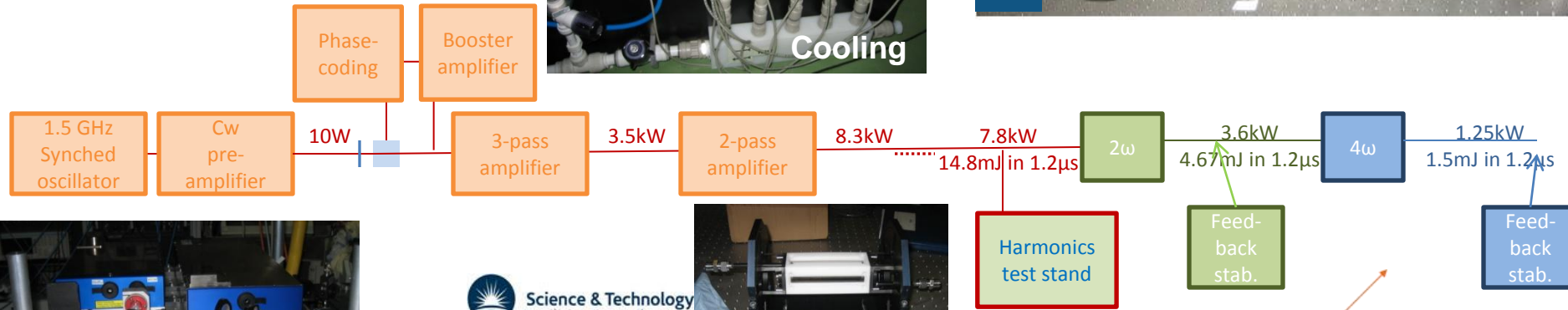
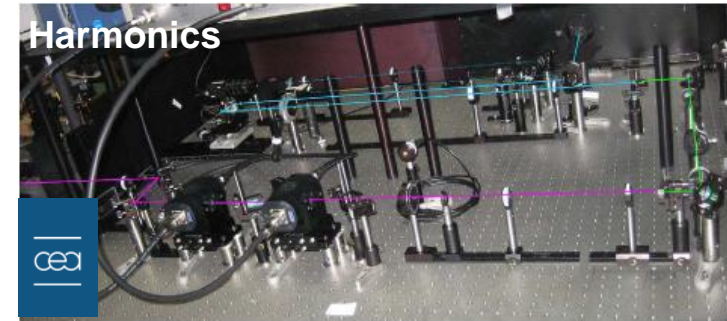
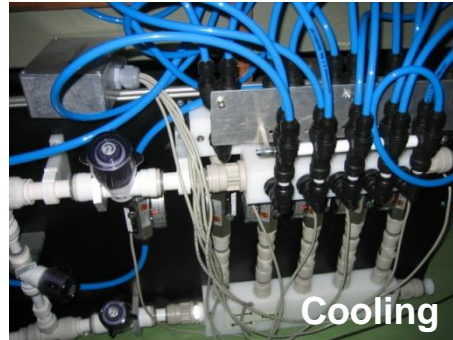
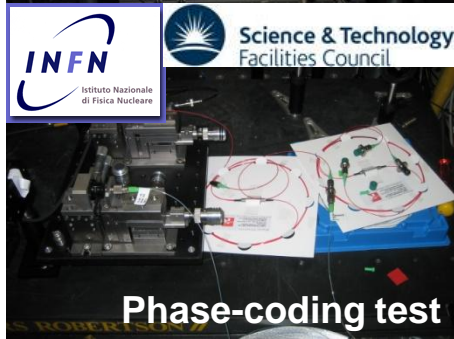
Phase switch is done within
8 of 1.5 GHz periods
(~ 5 ns)



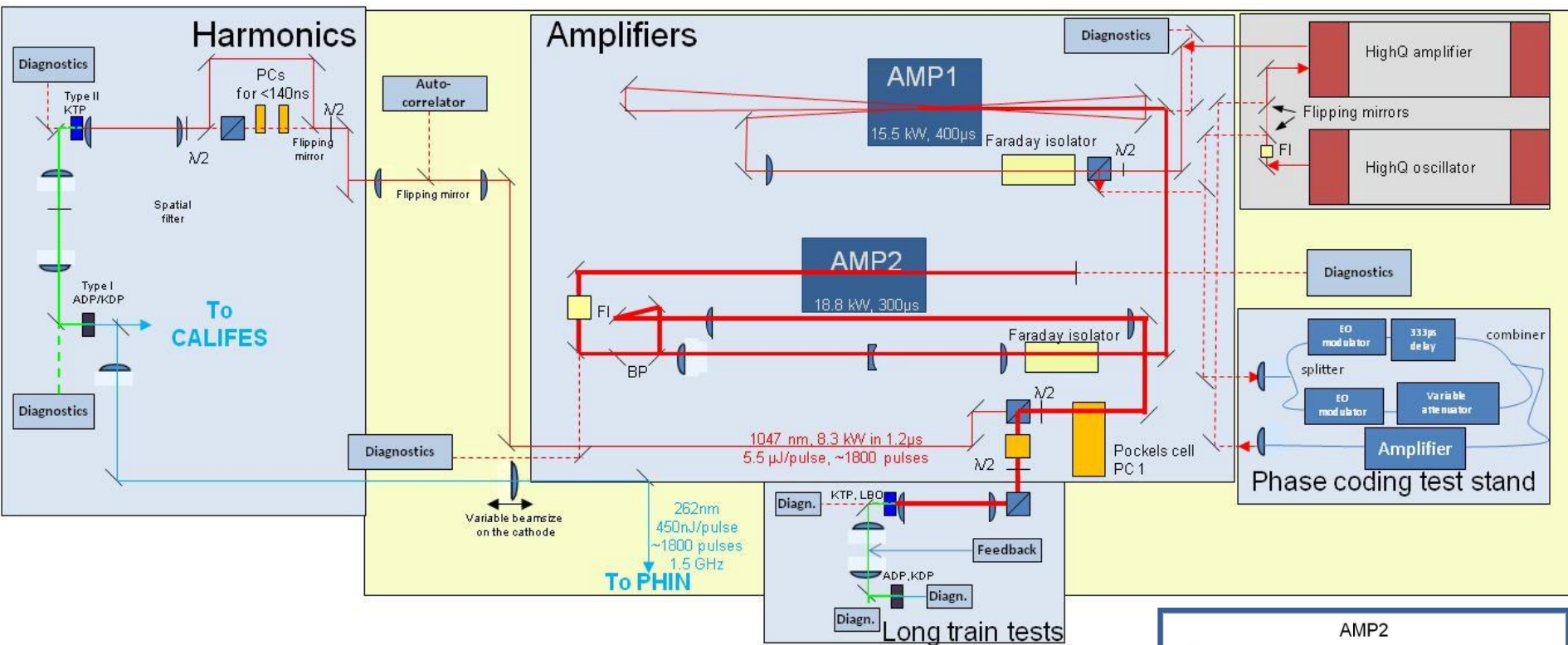
Satellite bunch population
was estimated to $\sim 7\%$

R. Corsini (12th March 2010)

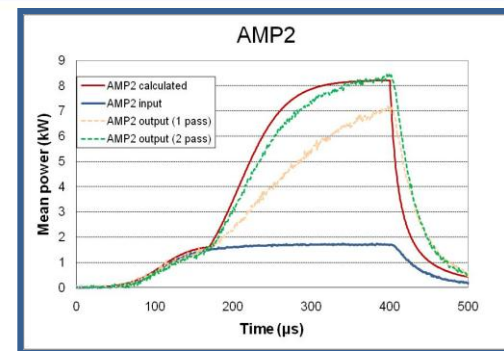
Laser setup



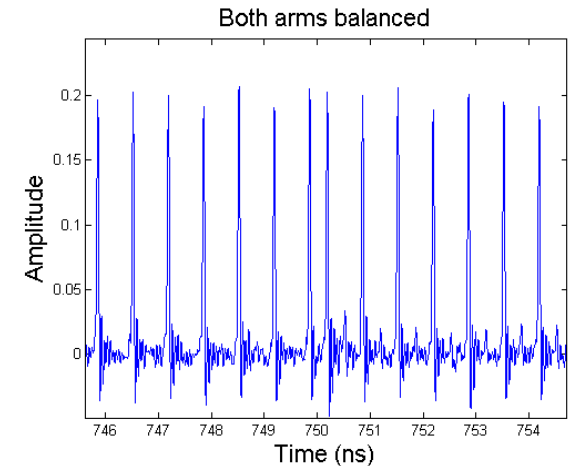
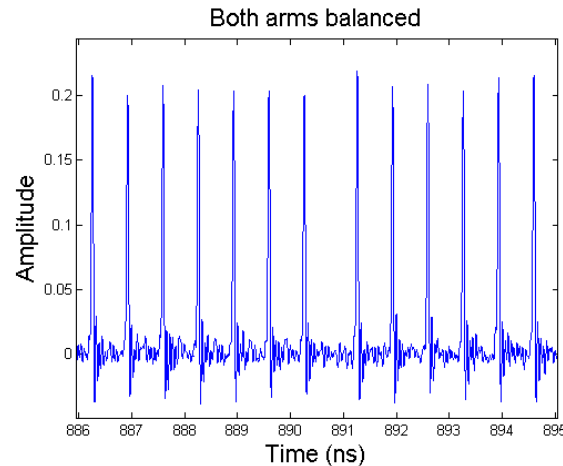
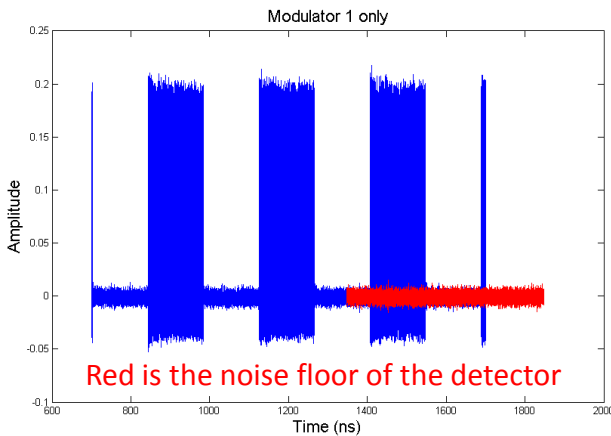
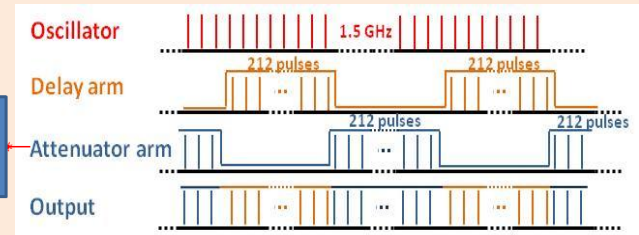
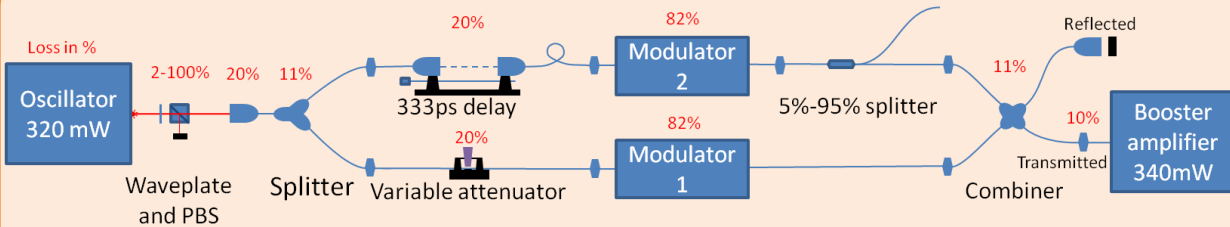
Laser setup



- Using 'leakage' wherever we can
- No interruption to operation

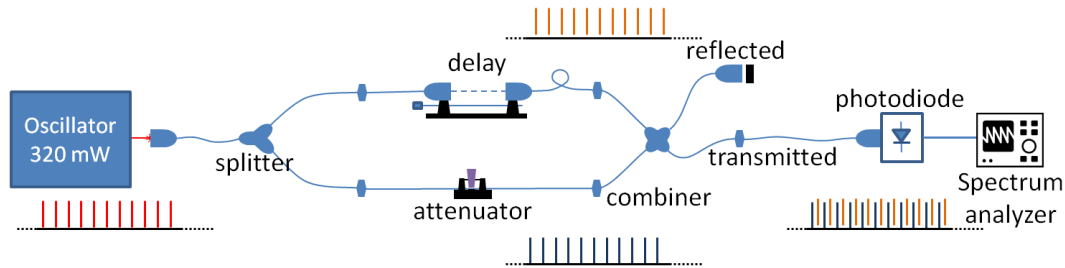


Phase-coding

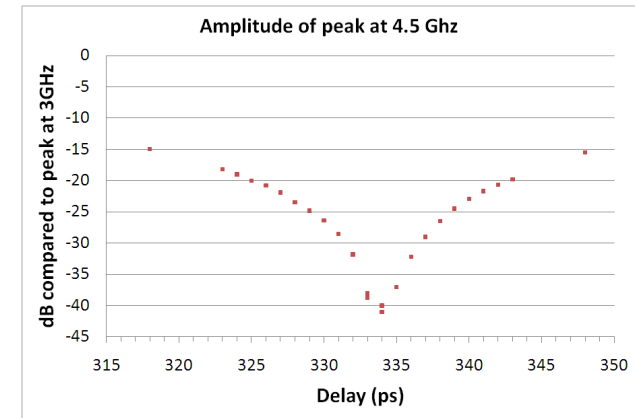
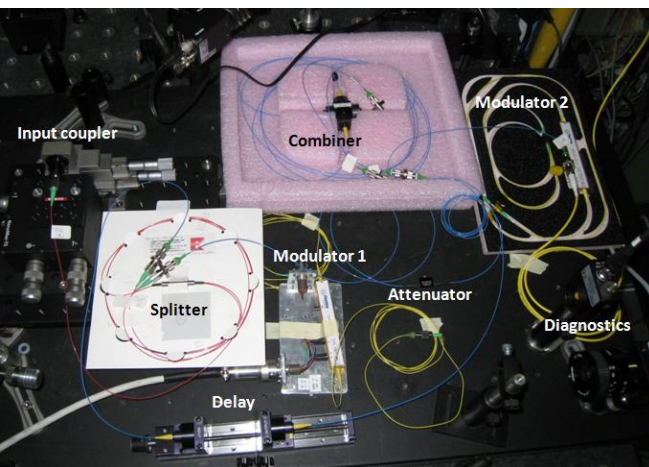


- Drivers synchronized to 1.5 GHz
- Clean cut between pulses
- Both modulators give at least 300 extinction ratio, but with the noise floor it is hard to estimate below this

Phase coding alignment measurement



- Measurement without modulators (or modulators at 50% bias/QUAD point)
- Delayed and un-delayed signals overlaid on top of each other
 - > 3 GHz signal instead of 1.5 GHz
 - > Peaks in spectrum at odd multiples of 1.5 GHz disappear
- Measured peak at 4.5 GHz on spectrum analyzer sensitive to both amplitude and delay

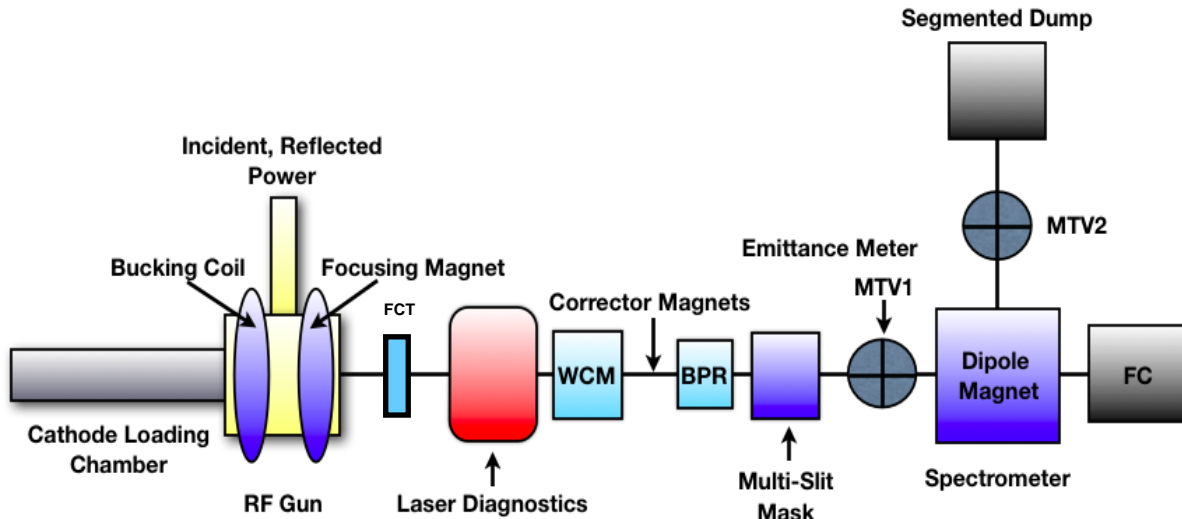


Achieved accuracy between arms:

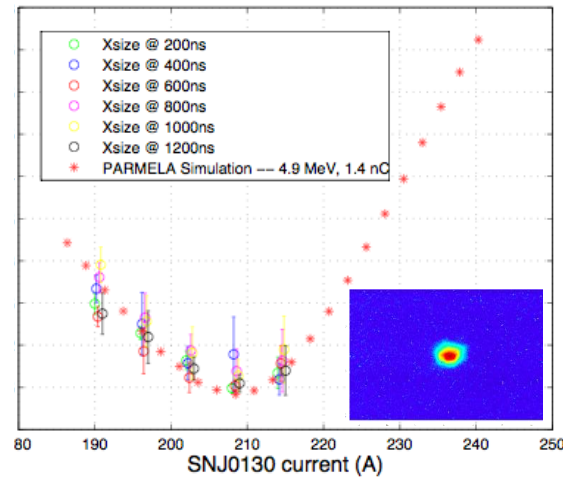
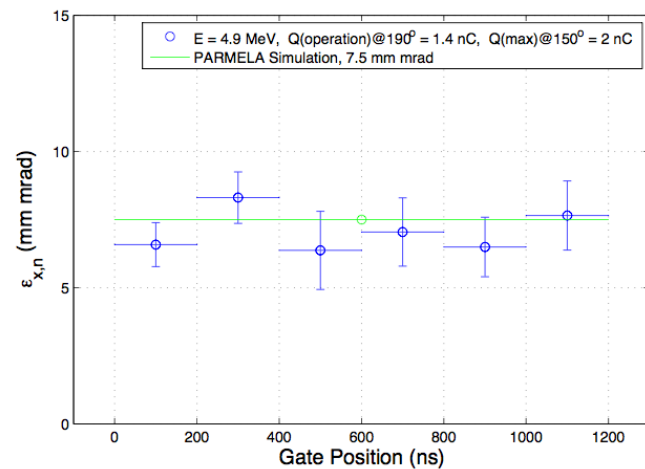
- 0.2 ps in delay
- 0.1% in amplitude

Provides easy setup for the phase-coding

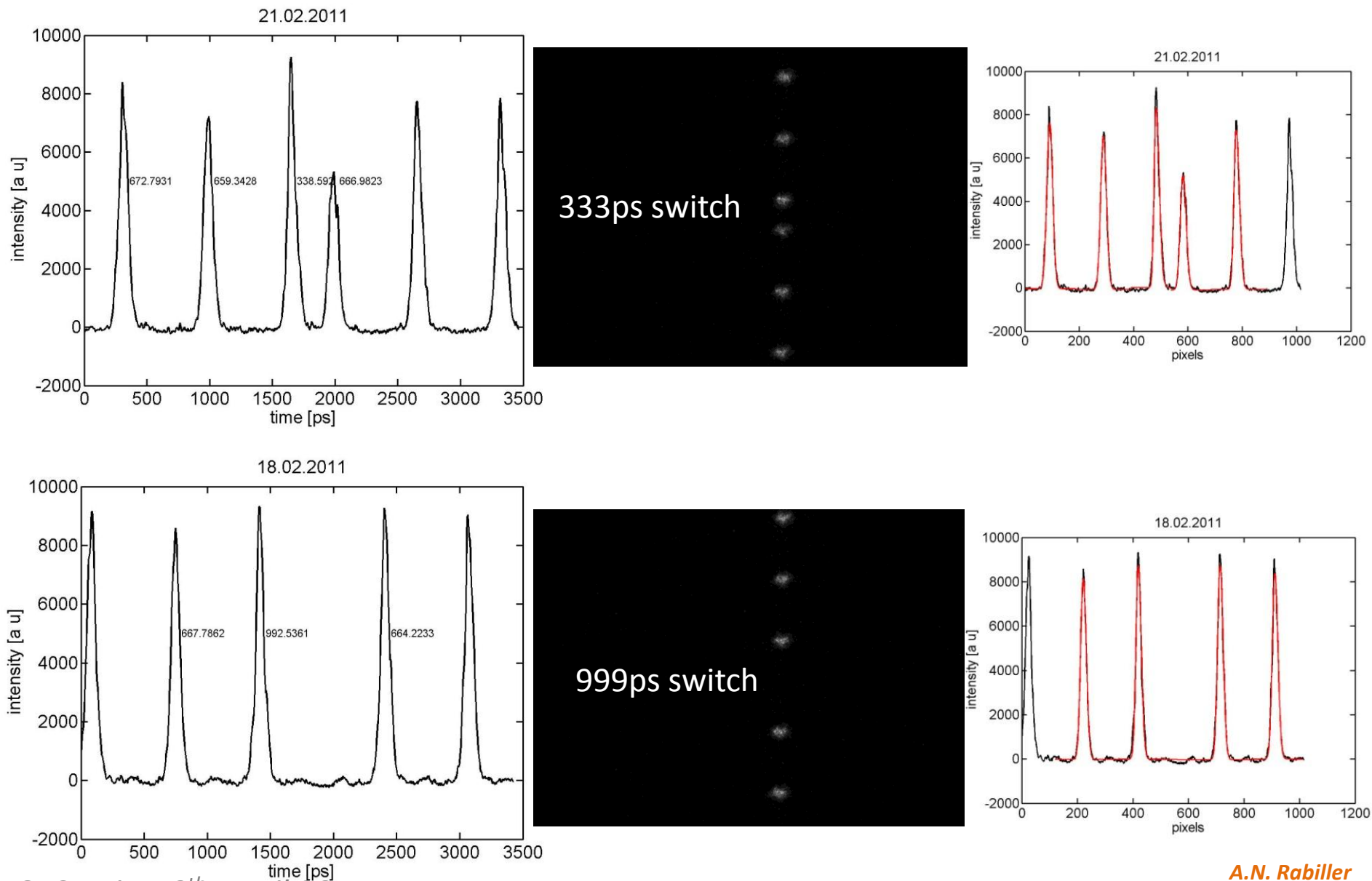
Electron beam characterization



Parameter	Nominal value	Unit
Beam Energy	5.4	MeV
Pulse Length	1.54	μs
Beam current	3.5	A
Bunch charge	2.33	nC
Number of bunches	2310	
Total charge per pulse	5.4	μC
Bunch spacing	0.666	ns
Emittance	14	mm mrad
Repetition rate	5	Hz
Charge variation shot to shot	2	%
Charge flatness on flat top	0.25	%



Streak measurements with Cherenkov-line



A.N. Rabiller

CLIC Parameters

	DRIVE beam		MAIN beam	
	PHIN	CLIC	CALIFES	
Electrons	charge/bunch (nC)	2.3	8.4	0.6
	gate (ns)	1200	140371	19.2
	bunch spacing(ns)	0.666	1.992	0.666
	bunch length (ps)	10	10	10
	Rf replate (GHz)	1.5	0.5	1.5
	number of bunches	1802	70467	32
	machine replate (Hz)	5	100	5
	margin for the laser	1.5	2.9	1.5
	charge stability	<0.25%	<0.1%	<3%
	QE(%)	3	2	0.3
Laser in UV	laser wavelegh (nm)	262	262	262
	energy/micropulse on cathode (nJ)	363	1988	947
	energy/micropulse laserroom (nJ)	544	5765	1420
	energy/macrop. laserroom (uJ)	9.8E+02	4.1E+05	4.1E+01
	mean power (kW)	0.8	2.9	2.1
	average power at cathode wavelength(W)	0.005	41	2.E-04
	micro/macropulse stability	1.30%	<0.1%	<3%
Laser in IR	conversion efficiency	0.1	0.1	0.15
	energy/macropulse in IR (mJ)	9.8	4062.2	0.3
	energy/micropulse in IR (uJ)	5.4	57.6	9.5
	mean power in IR (kW)	8.2	28.9	14.2
	average power on second harmonic (W)	0.49	406	1.E-03
	average power in final amplifier (W)	9	608	15

Main challenges

Things we still need to learn about:

LASER

Long train operation for CLIC (140 μ s)

High average power operation (100Hz)

Amplitude stability and stabilization

Pointing stability and stabilization

Long term reliability/damage/degradation

CATHODE

Working QE for high integrated charge with reasonable turn over time

Effect of vacuum and possible solutions

Green responsive cathodes

Long term reliability/damage/degradation

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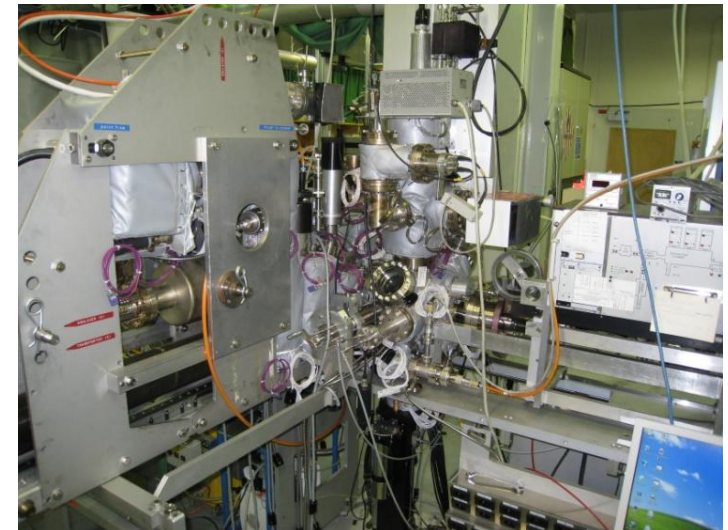
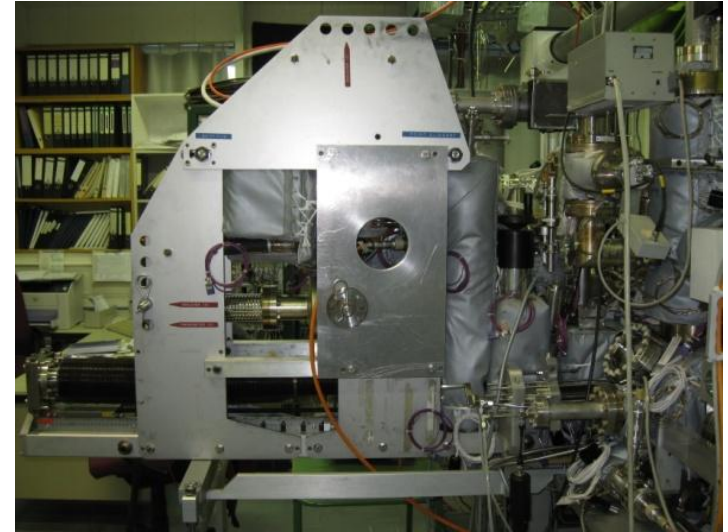
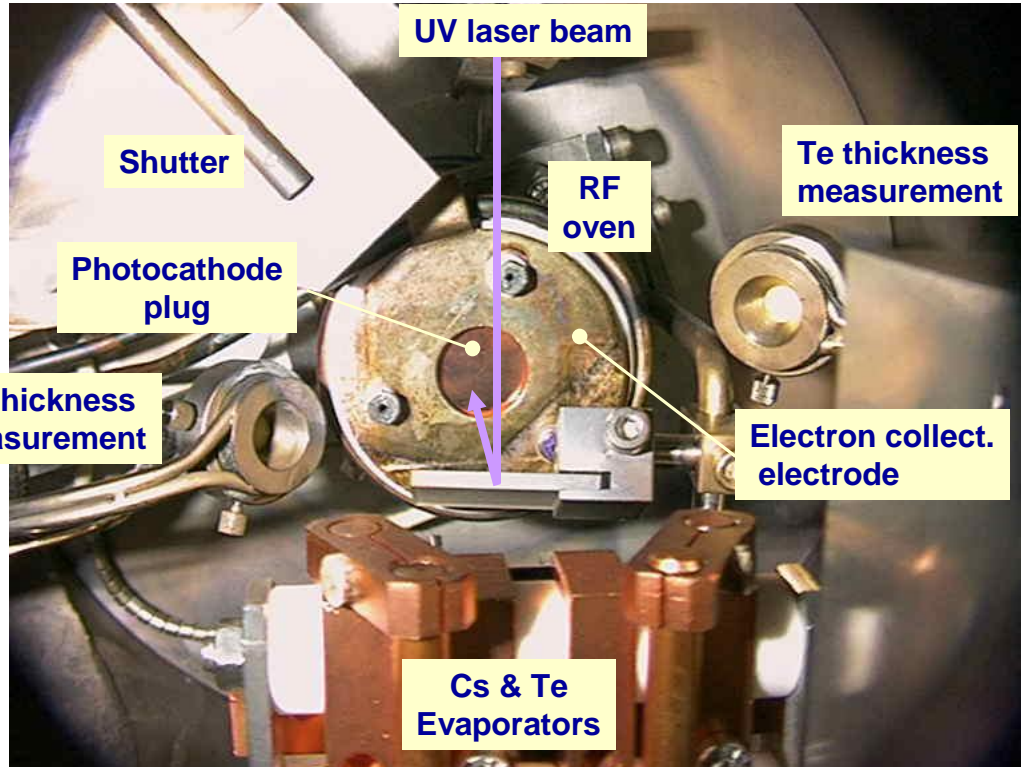
..... and many more



Photocathodes

Cs₂Te photocathodes produced by co-evaporation on Cu substrate under 10⁻¹⁰ mbar and transferred to RF gun under 10⁻¹¹ mbar. Active vacuum in RF gun up to 10⁻⁷

QE = 10-18% at start



E. Chevallay

Cathode at visible wavelength

$$QE = \frac{\text{\#electrons}}{\text{\#photons}}$$

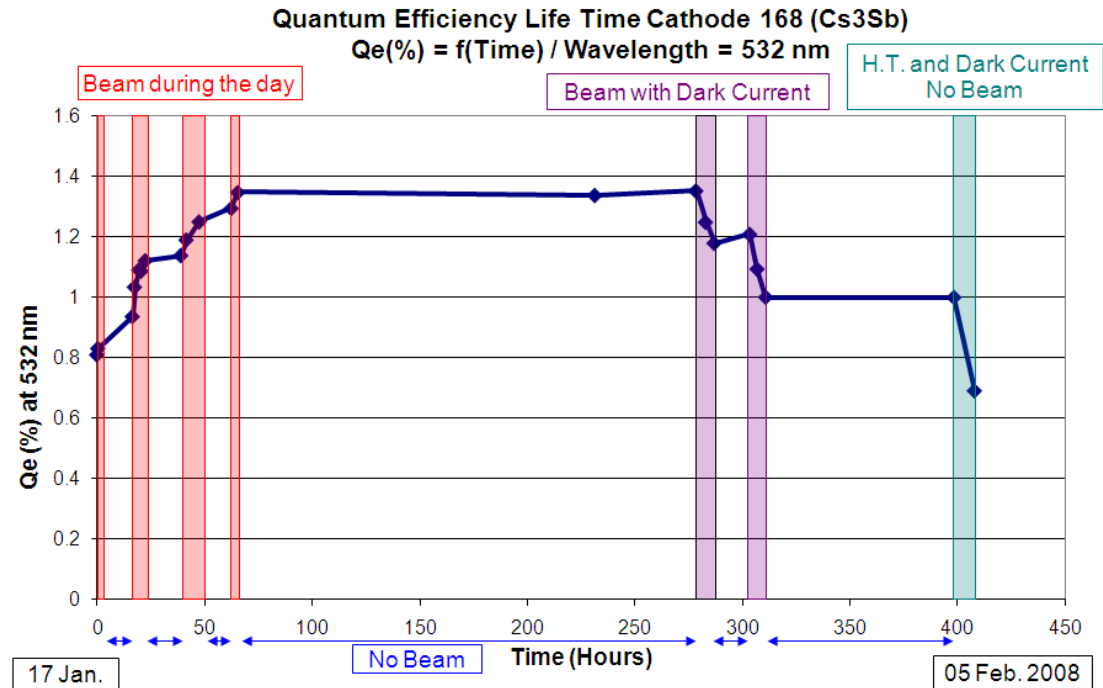
At visible:

The photon energy is half
The laser energy is X4

Number of photons X8

QE is expected to be the same

X8 of the charge with the same laser

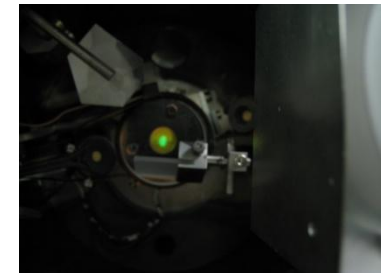


Preliminary Test done in 2008 (E.Chevallay / K. Elsener)

Co-evaporation process on Cu plug, Lack of Sb

Cs₃Sb Photocathode tests

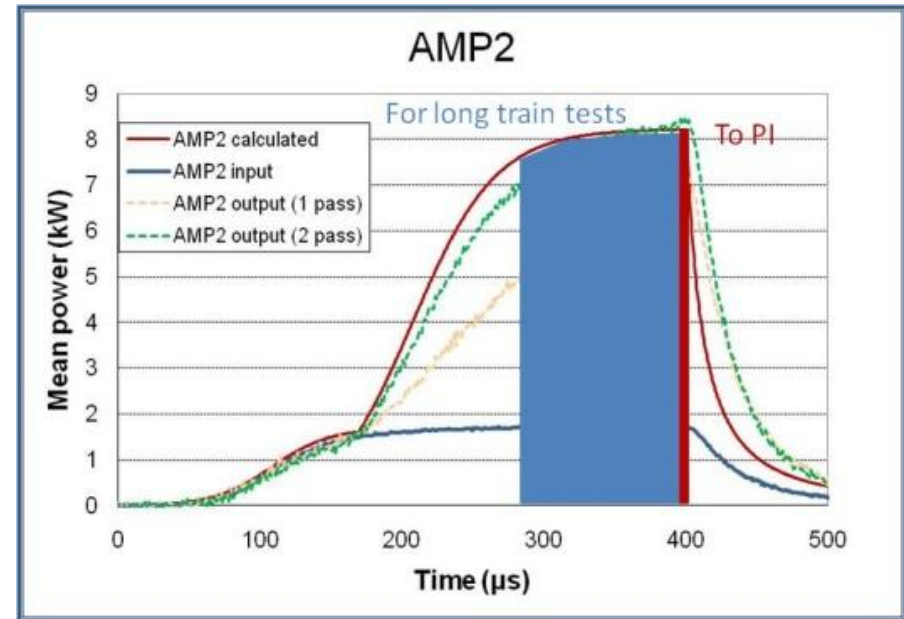
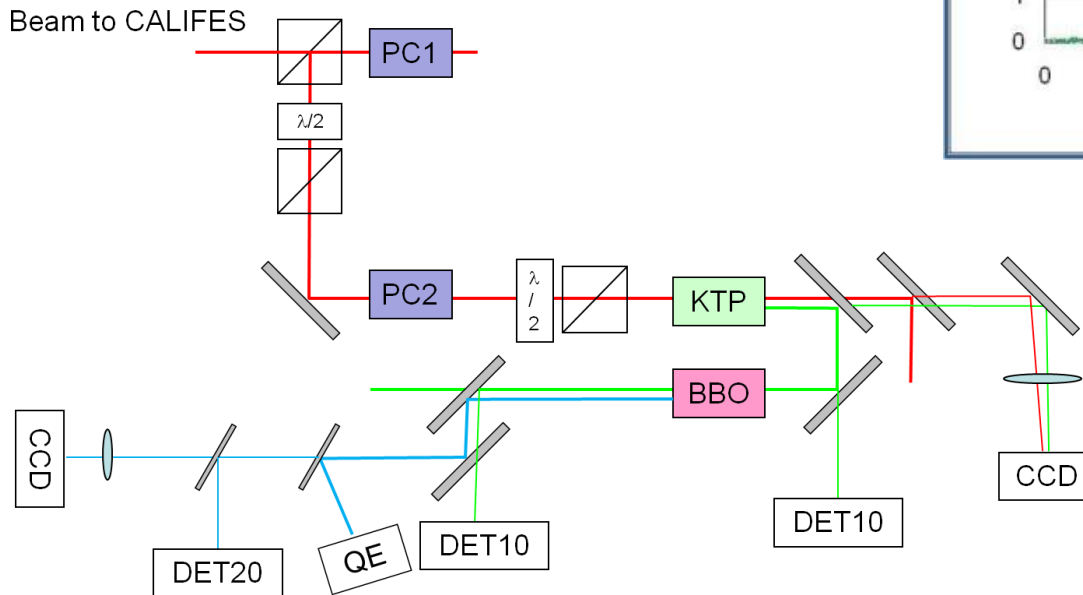
- Co-evaporation
- Qe optimalization during fabrication at 532 nm
- Online measurements and computing available



Long train in the UV

Motivation:

- CLIC needs 140 μs long train
- Decay over the train was observed during PHIN run
- Beam profile is degrading with high UV levels
- Damage was observed to crystals with long trains



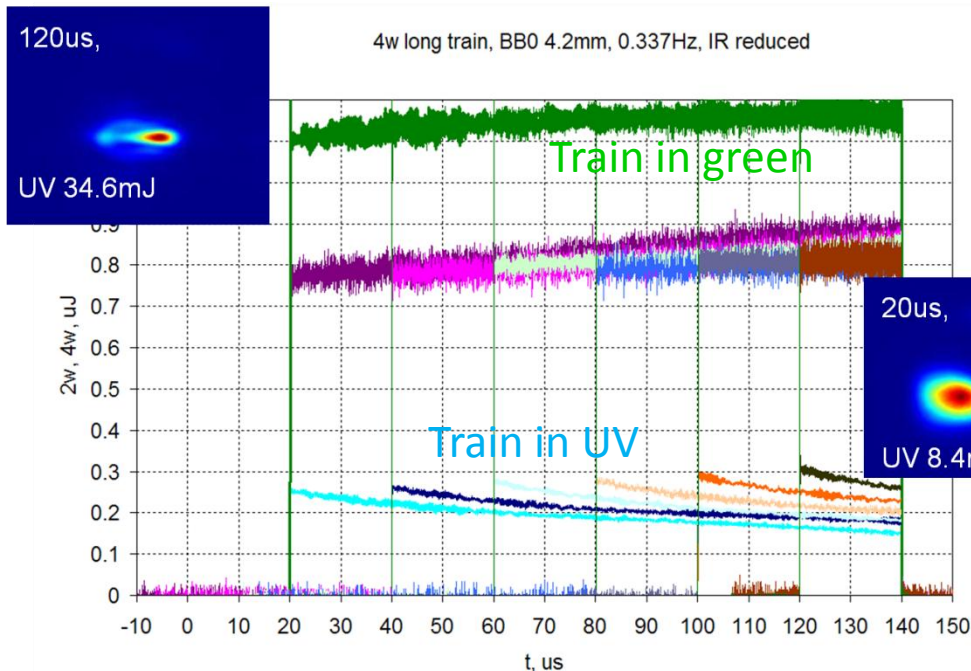
Aim:

- Identify damage levels
- Test response to long trains
- Beam profile meas. along the train
- Tests different crystals for UV
- No interruption to CALIFES

Long train harmonics test

RESULTS

- 140 μs long train in the green with 45% efficiency with comparable energy/pulse to CLIC laser in KTP
- Damage threshold measured and understood to be from aged coating on surface
- BBO as new crystals tested up to 33% efficiency to UV
- 120 μs long train generated in the UV
- Time and spatial profile response measured along the train
- Onset level of beam degradation measured

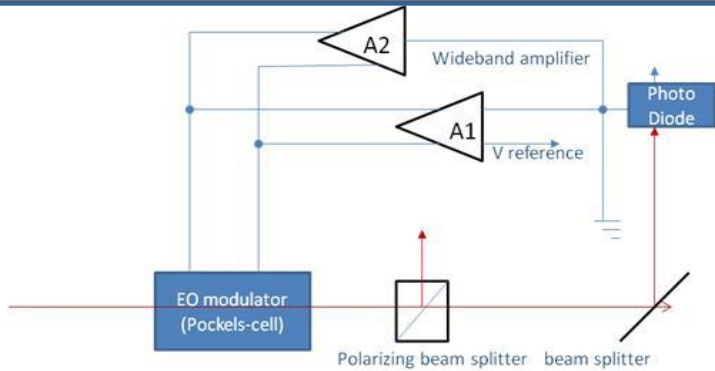


Plans

- Test multi-crystal schemes
- Find best crystal and working point
- Understand thermal load
- Move to higher repetition rate
- Investigation of green responsive cathodes
- Further collaboration with IAP and FI

In collaboration with IAP RAS, Russia; Mikhail Martyanov

Scheme to improve stability



*In TESLA this system was invented by I. Will and his group
0.7% rms stability was achieved from 3% with 70%
transmission*

We need 0.1% rms stability

Stabilization constraints:

- Pockels cell absorptive in UV (control in UV not advisable)
- Laser is in burst mode at all stages after preamp with shorter burst length after Pockels-cell
- Realtime response necessary

Stabilization options (WIP):

- Feedback control loop at IR or GR using ~Conoptics noise eater. (Market survey needed)
- Feedforward control before 4th harmonic using measurements from earlier stages to determine level correction. (Further studies)
- Hybrid

All options to be investigated in 2011 with tests on laser

Noise reduction:

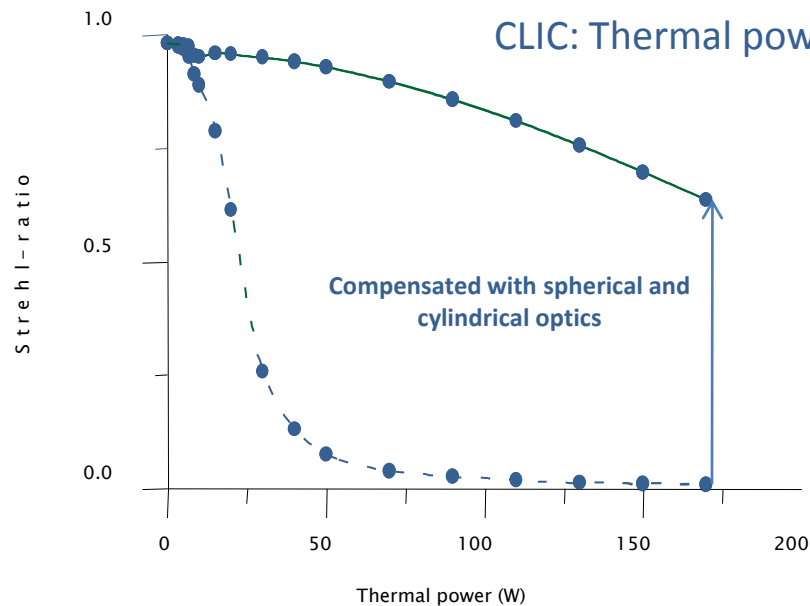
1/1 @ 500kHz
5/1 @ 100kHz
18/1 @ 50kHz
100/1 @ 10kHz,
200/1 @ 1kHz
250/1 @ 200hz

LASS-II by Conoptics



High average power

- **Thermal lensing**, Nd:YLF is one of the best materials
- **Fracture**, maximum 22W/cm for rod geometry



$$f \sim D^2 / P_{th}$$

Vertical aberration $f = 15$ cm

Horizontal aberration $f = -60$ cm

Strehl ratio 0.012

- Maximum length for rod is 18cm \rightarrow in a single amplifier we can only get 28kW out \rightarrow
- 2 amplifiers or slab geometry could be the answer
- More thermal lensing measurement to be done on PHIN laser at 50Hz

Not possible during CALIFES operation