

# Review of BPM Drift Compensation Schemes

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*Nobody likes  
drift!*

# Overview

- Introduction to Beam Position Measurements and drift
- Sources of drift in processing channels
- Methods of drift compensation
- Summary

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# Beam Position Measurement in a Nut Shell

- Pickups are antennas to the beam
  - Position is proportional to  $\Delta/\Sigma$
- $$Y = K_Y \frac{V_U - V_D}{V_U + V_D} \quad \text{or} \quad Y = K_Y \frac{V_A + V_B - V_C - V_D}{V_A + V_B + V_C + V_D}$$

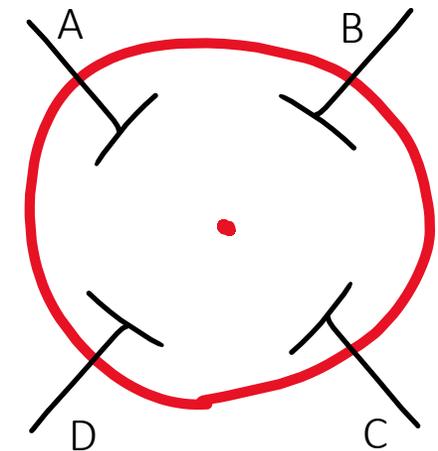
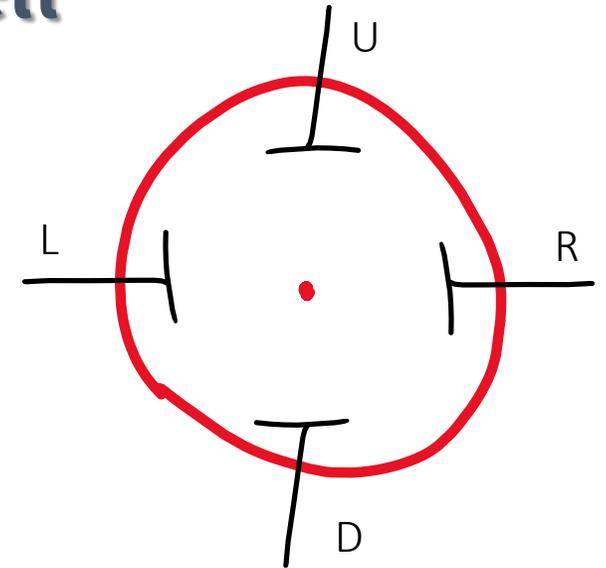
- Signal challenges:
  - Short repetitive pulses  $\ll 1\text{ns}$
  - High intensities  $\gg 10\text{V}$
  - Intensities vary by factor  $>10,000$  or  $>80\text{dB}$

- High precision position demanded:

$$K_{X,Y} = 10\text{mm}, \sigma_{X,Y} < 100\text{nm}$$

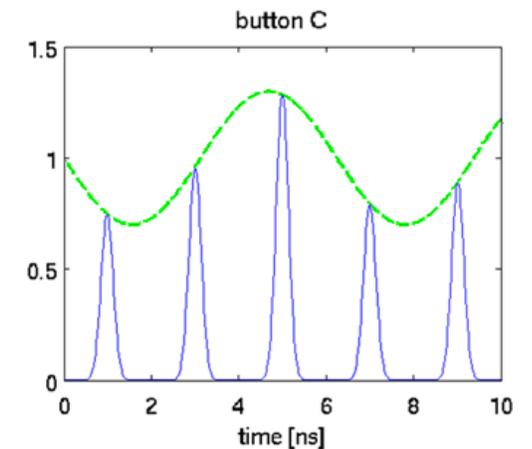
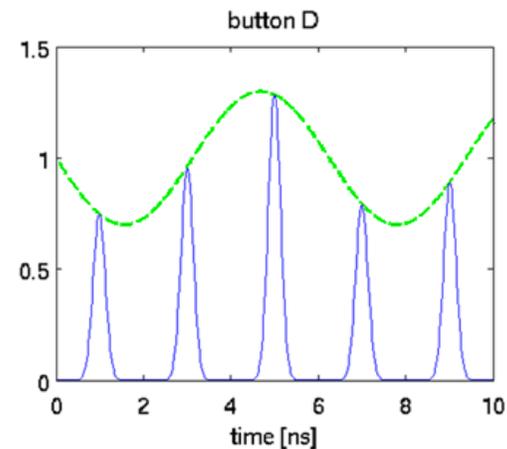
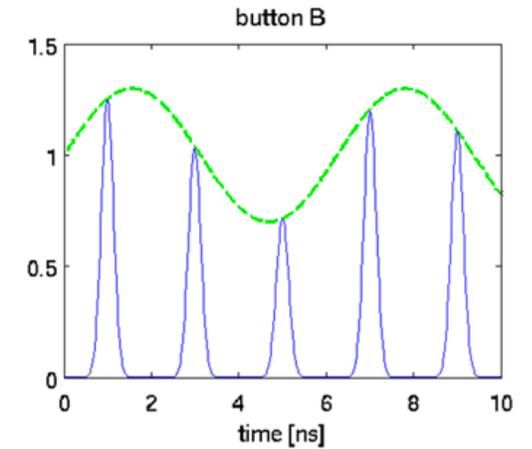
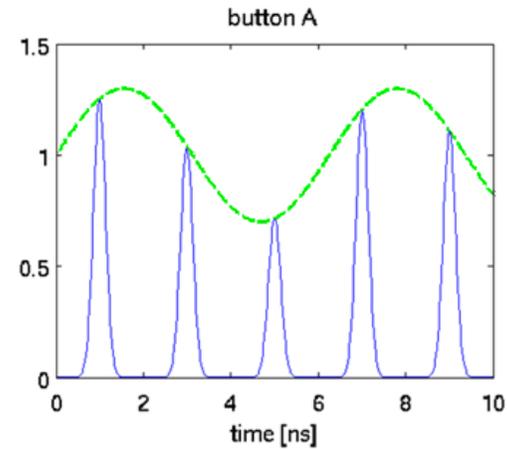
$$\rightarrow \frac{\sigma_V}{V} = \frac{2\sigma_{X,Y}}{K_{X,Y}} < 20\text{ppm}$$

or 0.00017 dB!

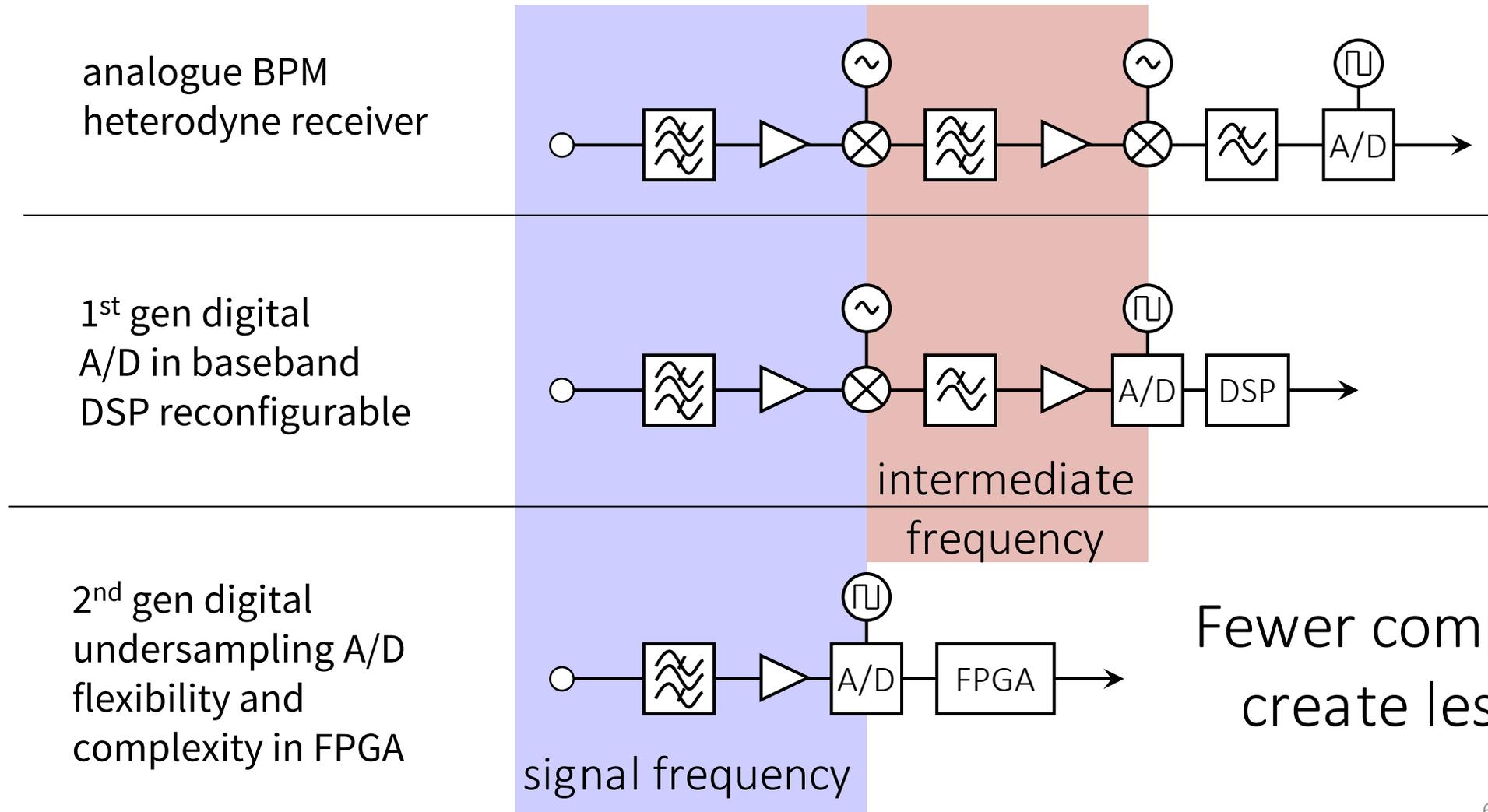


# Communication Engineer's View of BPM Signals

- Signals are amplitude modulated by position and charge
- Carrier is a pulse comb from passing bunches
- Beam **movement is differential AM** an opposite buttons
- Pulse **amplitude is common AM**
  - Removed by  $\Delta/\Sigma$
- BPMs observe the **minute differences on the large pulses**



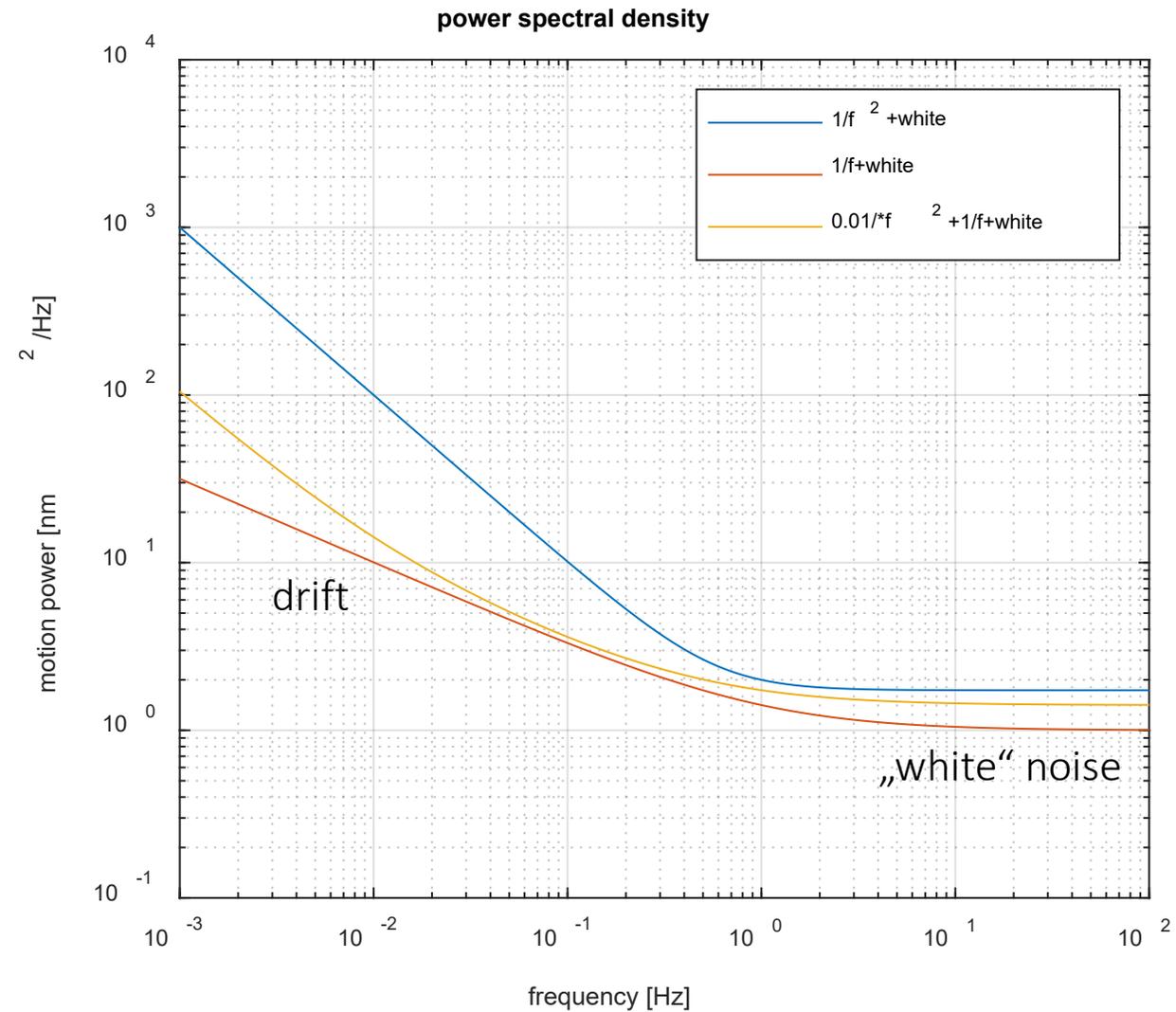
# BPM processing channel evolution



Fewer components  
create less drift

# What is Drift?

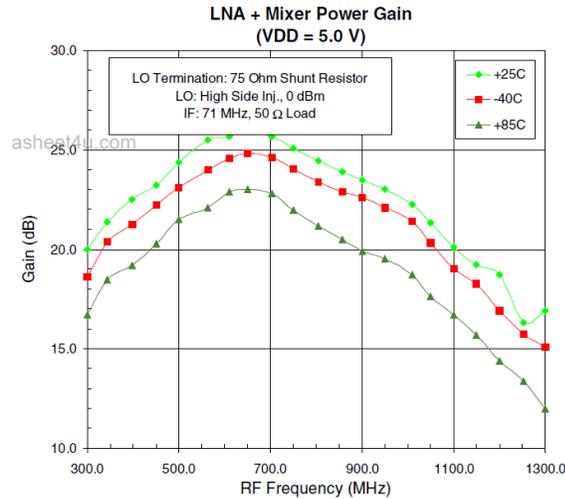
- High frequencies, white **noise**, constant spectral noise density
- Low frequencies, spectral noise density is function of frequency
- Drift is often related to outside influences: temperature, humidity, pressure, supply voltage, EMI, ...
- Power spectral density plots are **good way to diagnose drift**
- Data must be properly **decimated**
- Dropping samples aliases spectra



# Drift with Temperature in Electronic Components

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- Analogue components change with temperature
- Differences in behaviour or temperature lead to channel deviations

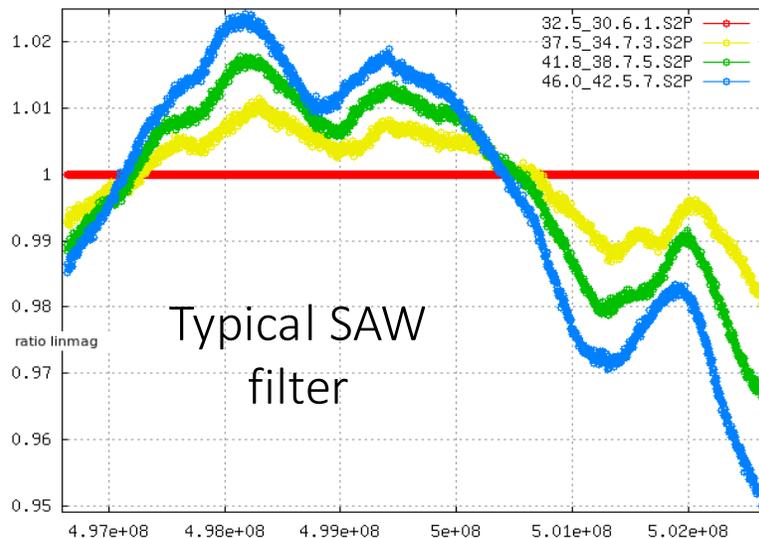
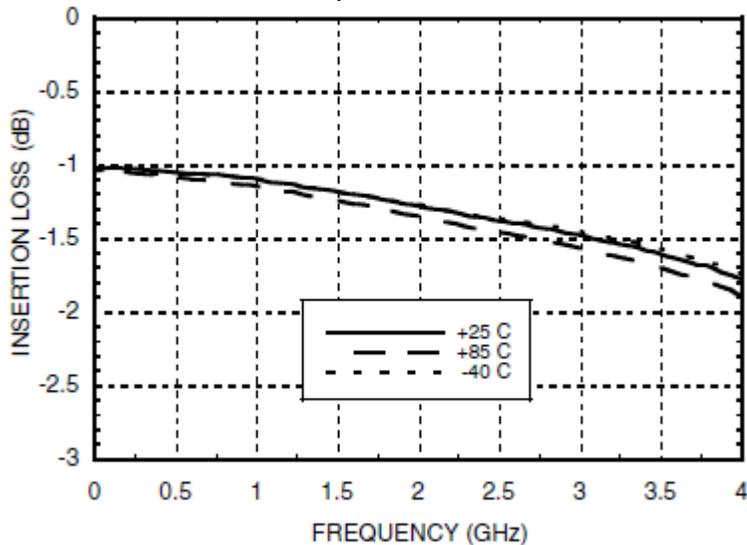


**CONVERTER CHARACTERISTICS** The ● denotes the specifications which apply over the full operating temperature range, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ . (Note 5)

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Resolution (No Missing Codes)		● 16			Bits
Integral Linearity Error	Differential Analog Input (Note 6)	● -4.5	±1.6	4.5	LSB
Differential Linearity Error	Differential Analog Input	-1	±0.4	1.0	LSB
Offset Error	(Note 7)	● -5	-0.5	5	mV
Gain Error	Internal Reference, PGA = 0 External Reference, PGA = 0	● -0.85	±1.5	0.85	%FS %FS
Offset Drift			-20		μV/°C
Full-Scale Drift	Internal Reference, PGA = 0 External Reference, PGA = 0		110 70		ppm/°C ppm/°C

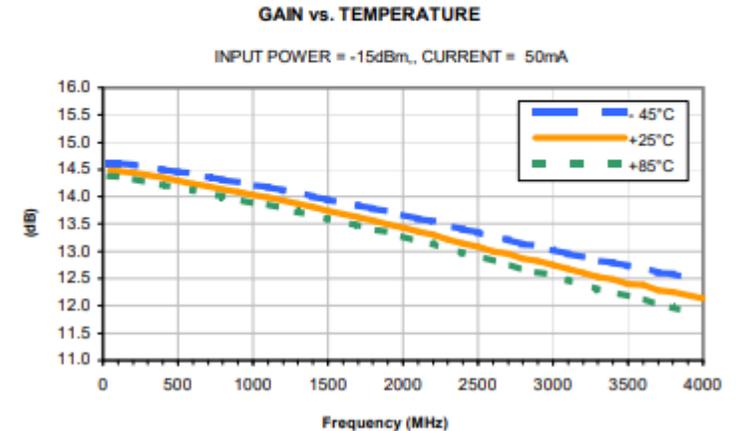
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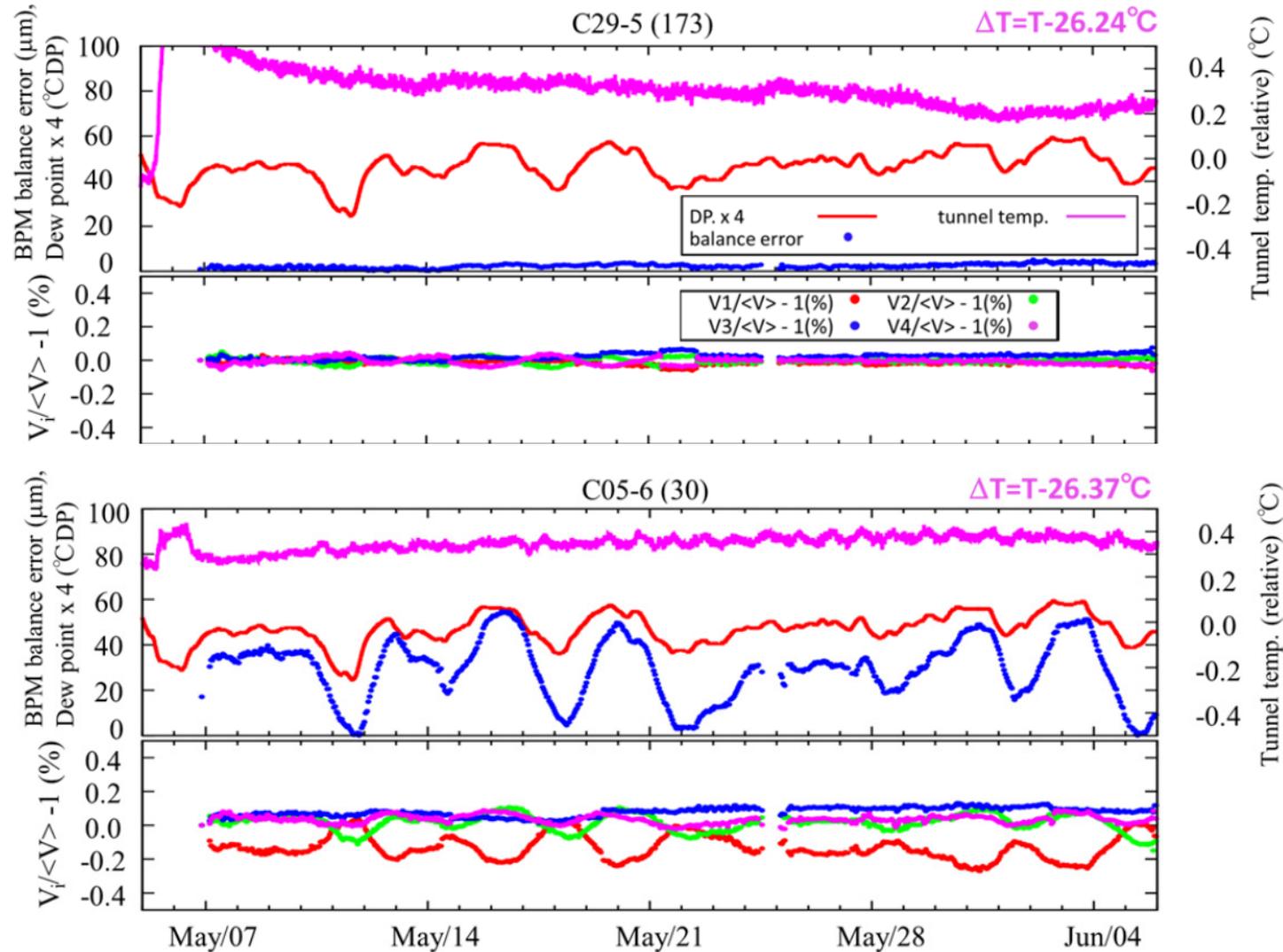


## MMIC Amplifier

### Typical Performance Curves



# SPring-8: Deviations between 3-Button calculated Positions



Stable BPM :  
All four „positions“ don't deviate

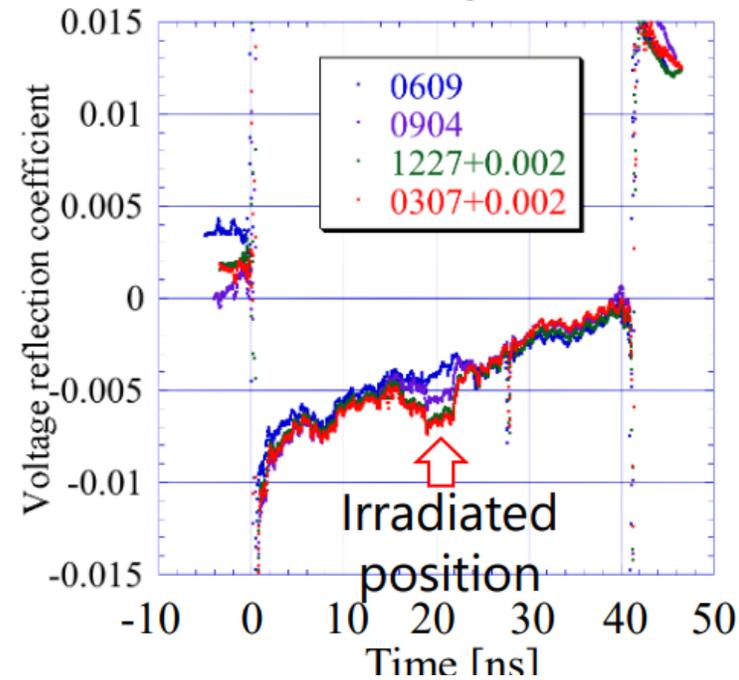
BPM with daily changes:  
Some of four „positions“ deviate  
in correlation with dew point (RH)

# Humidity Impact in Cables

- Typical 20-30m cables have 5-10dB attenuation at signal frequency
- Transit time changes standing waves
- Variation gave been observed on (radiation damaged) cables
- Connected to relative humidity
- Observation possible by:
  - TDR or time domain transposed VNA
  - Balance error between 3-button positions
- **Cables need to be included in the channel stabilisation as well!**

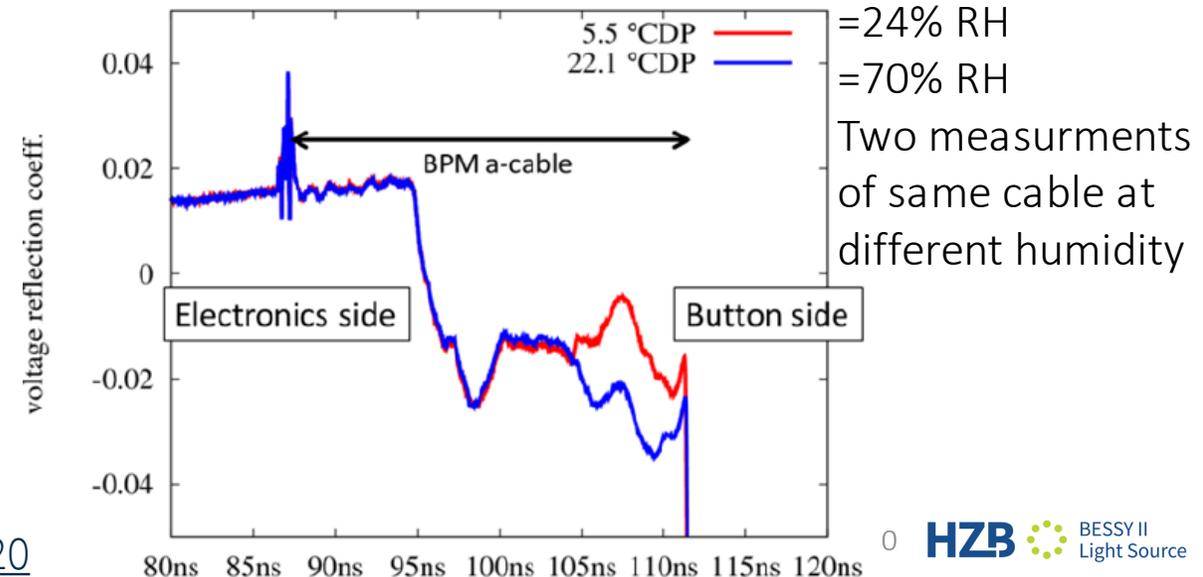
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## S04272 flexible cable (current SPring-8 BPM)

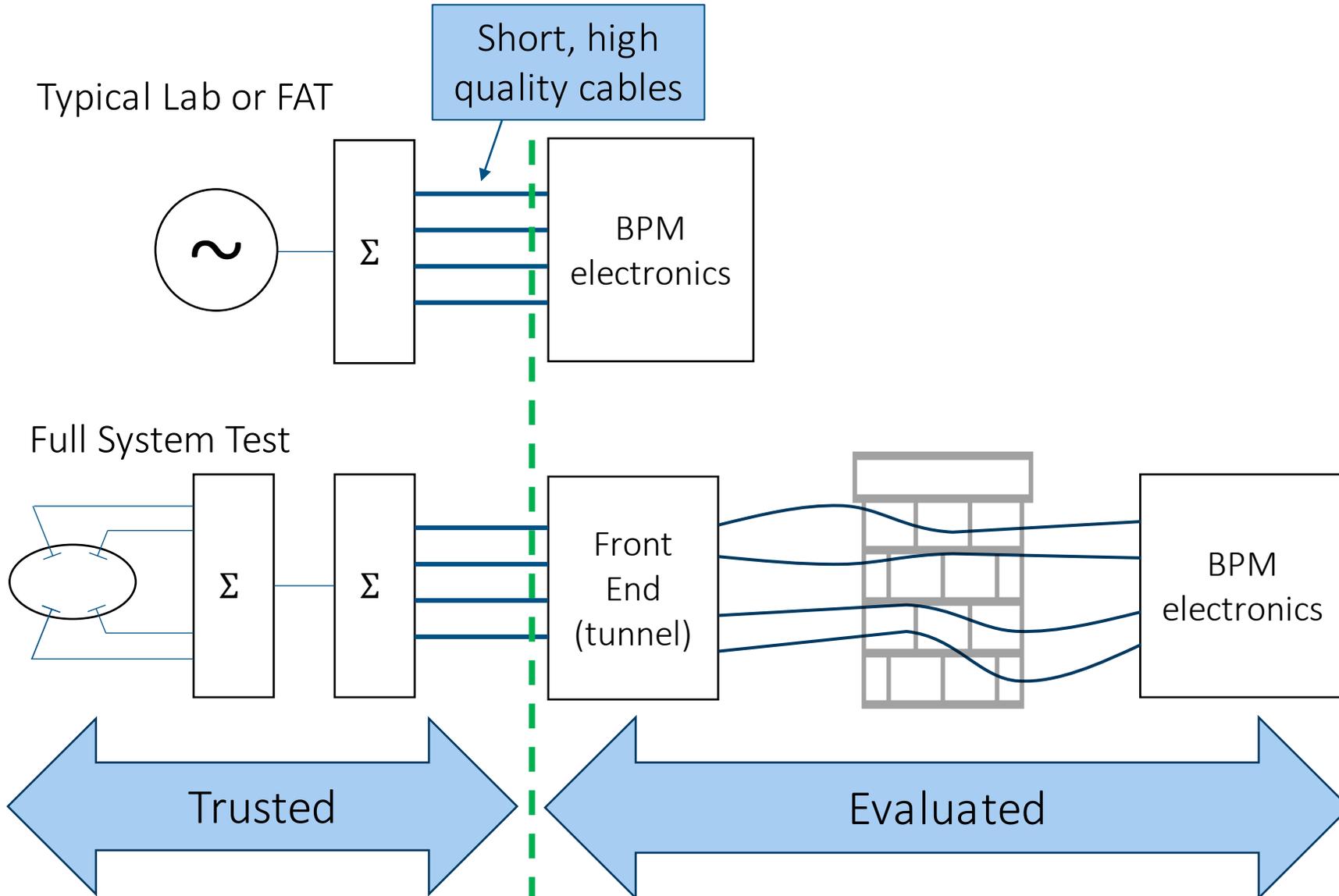


Similar to LMR-240  
PE-foam dielectric

Measurement of  
same cable over  
several months



# Evolution of Drift Evaluation Methodology



Pros
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Easier for R&amp;D</li> <li>• Controlled source</li> <li>• Controlled environment</li> </ul>

Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CW or AM only, no pulses</li> <li>• Cables not evaluated</li> </ul>

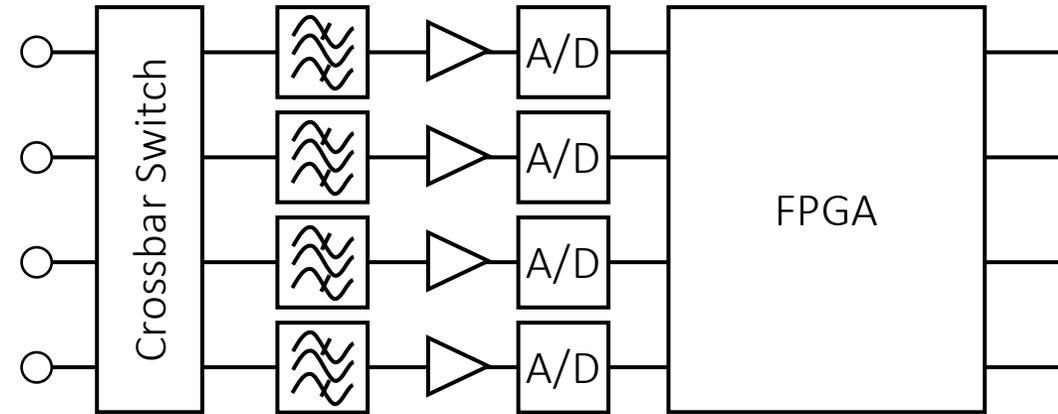
Pros
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requires existing synchrotron</li> <li>• Uses typical signals</li> </ul>

Cons
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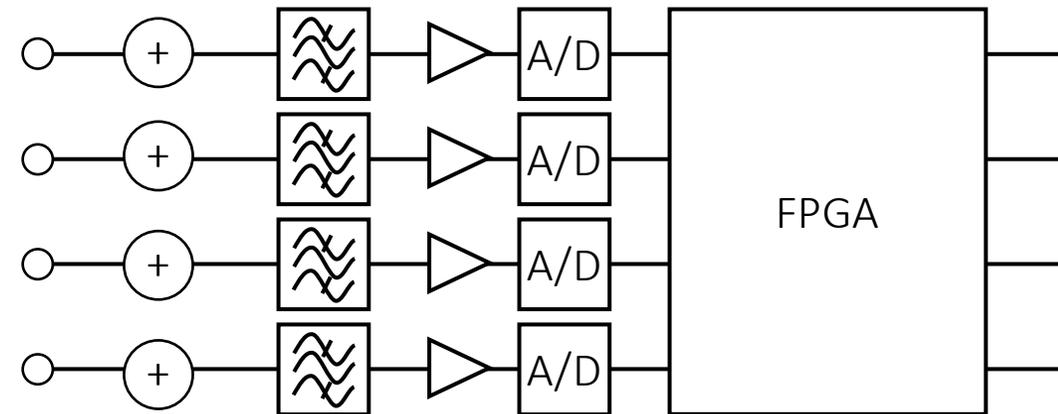
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- Transport inputs through different processing chains sequentially
- Un-swap and take average in FPGA
- Will generate disturbances through switching



## Pilot Tone:

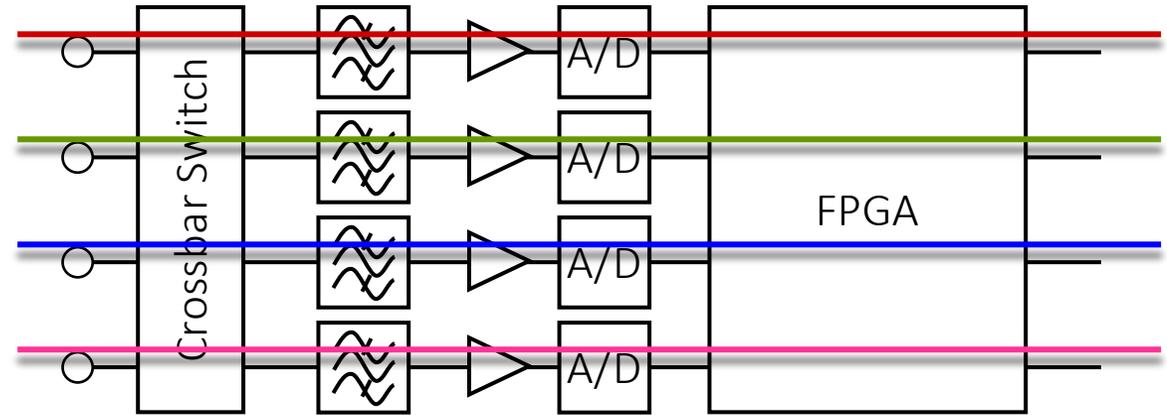
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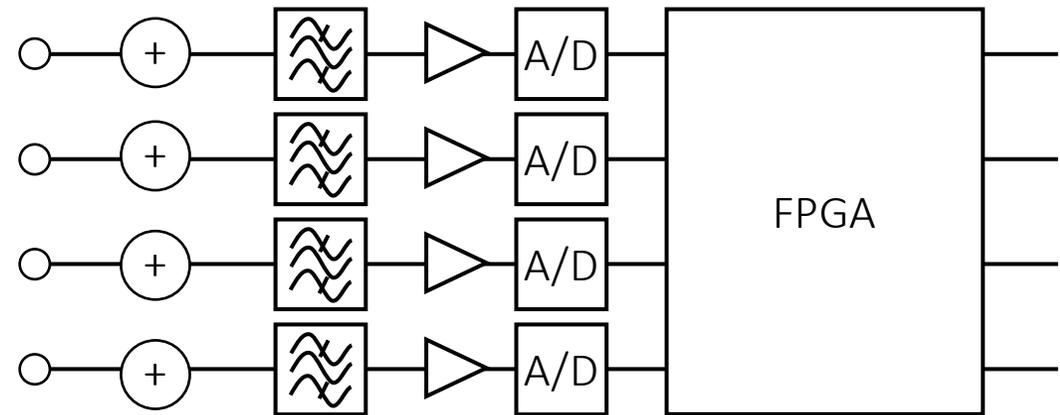
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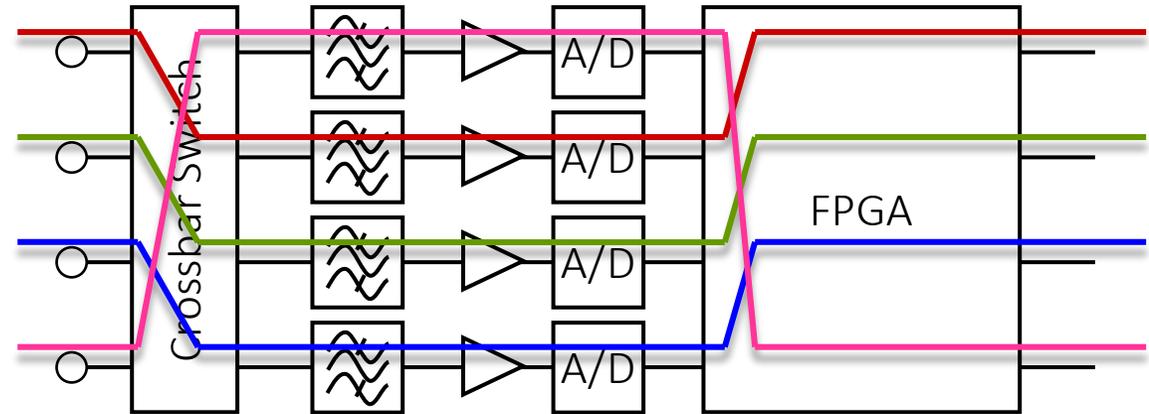
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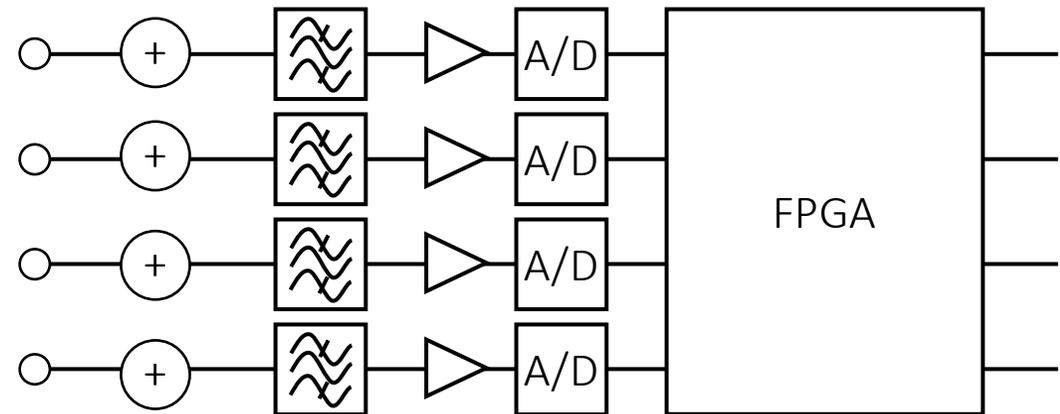
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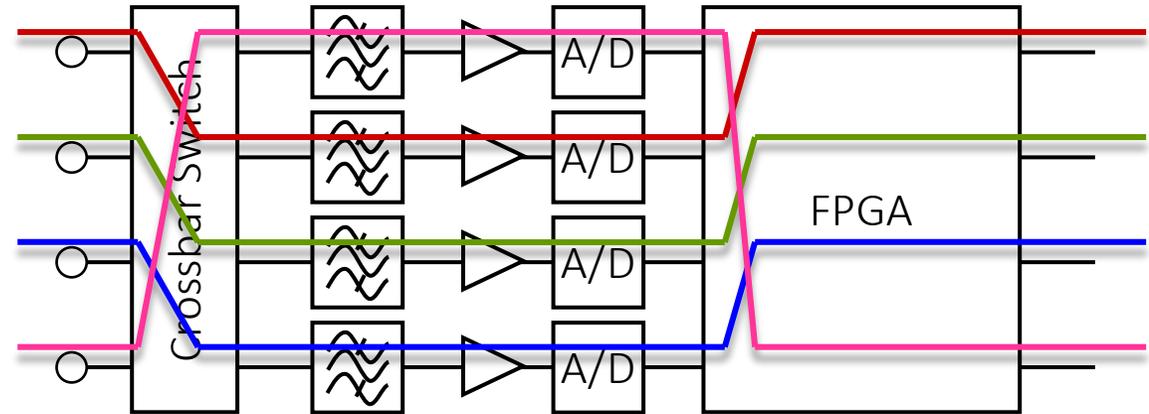
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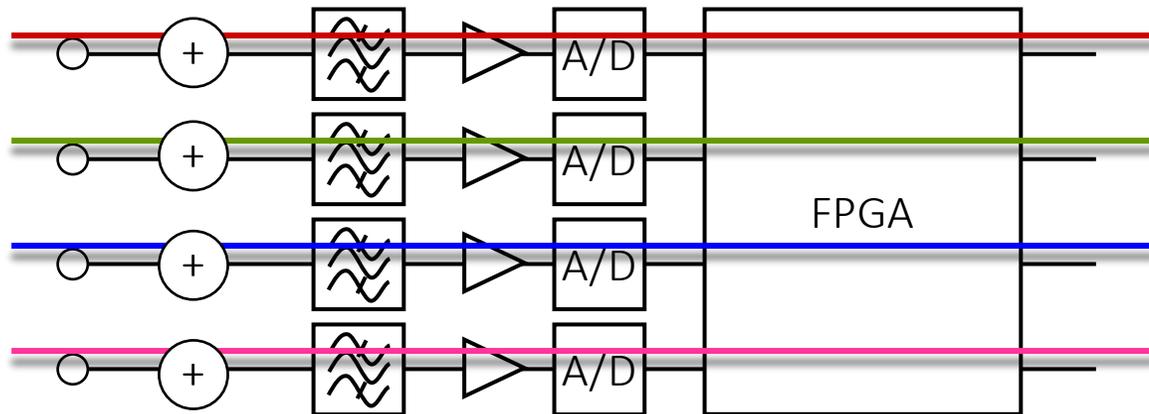
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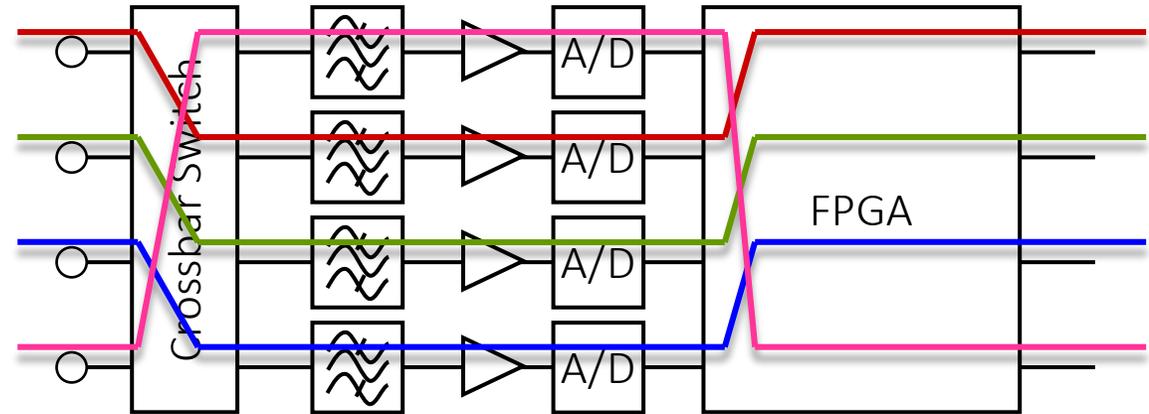
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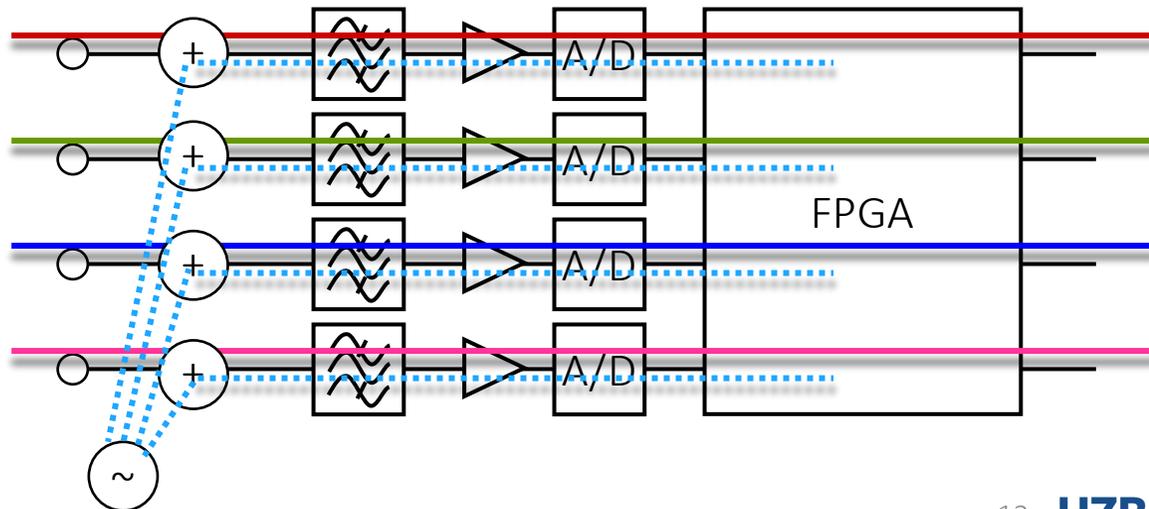
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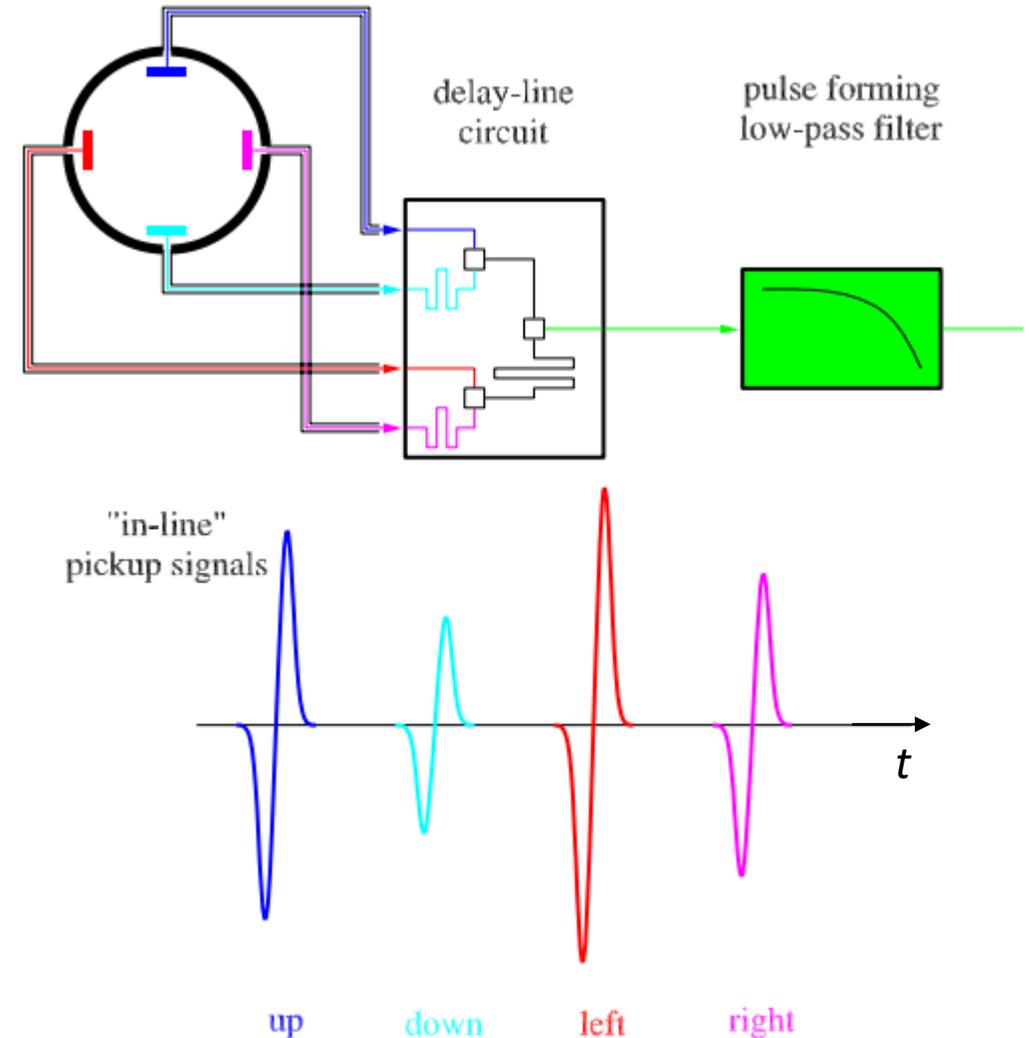
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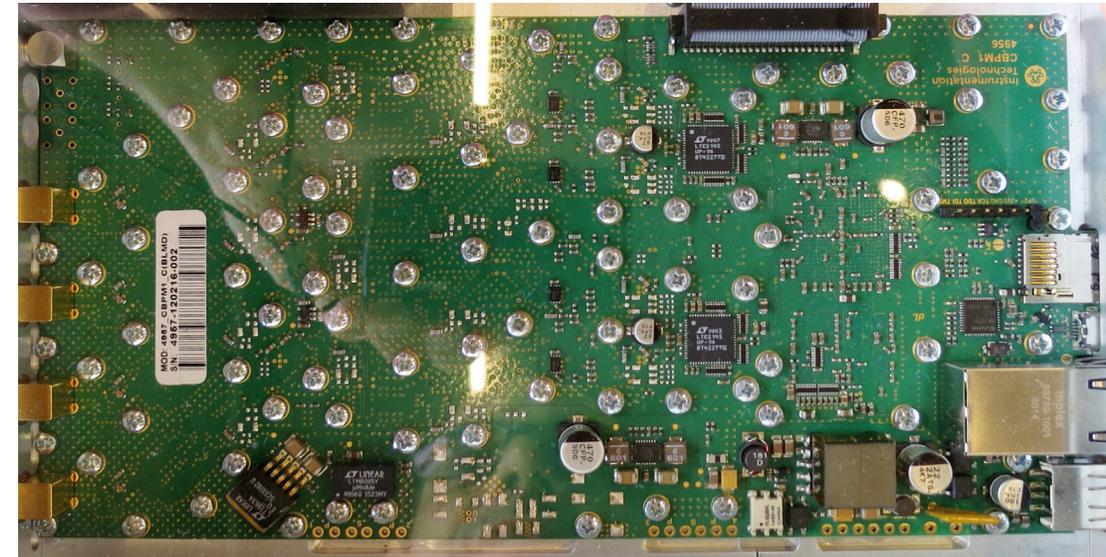
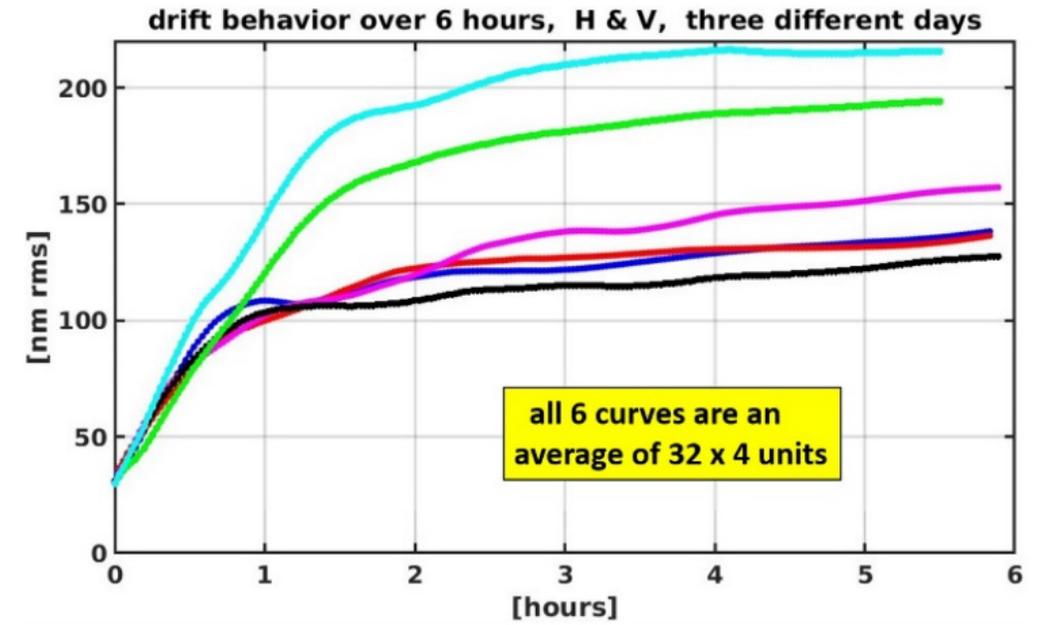
# Time multiplexed processing

- Relies on signal combiners with good amplitude balance, low reflections
- **Bunch spacing  $\gg$  single pulse duration**
- Single sampler to resolve pulses
  - Challenging for light sources (2ns bunch spacing)
- Works well on linear machines or with large bunch spacing
  - Used at DESY HERA-e
  - In use at DESY FLASH



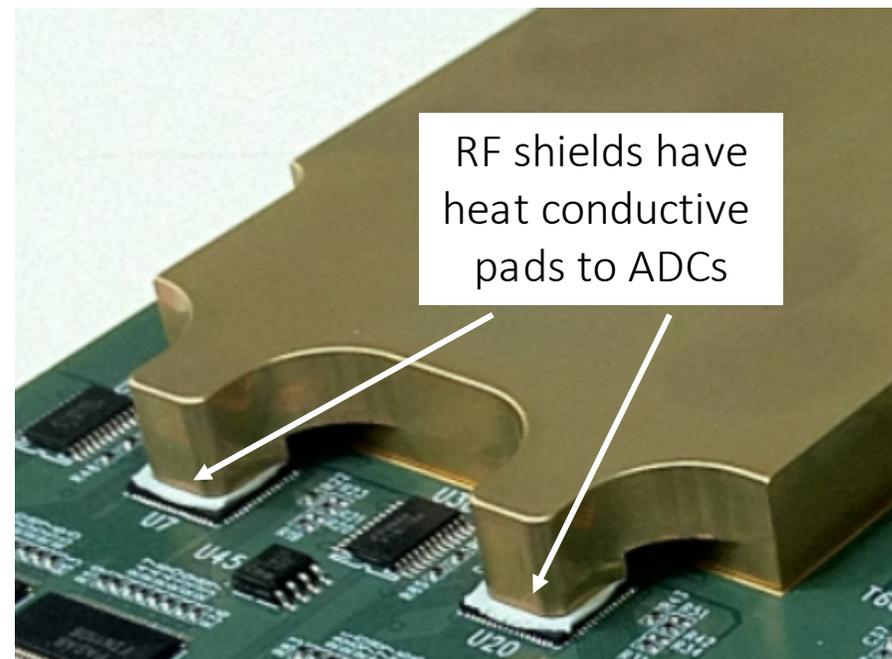
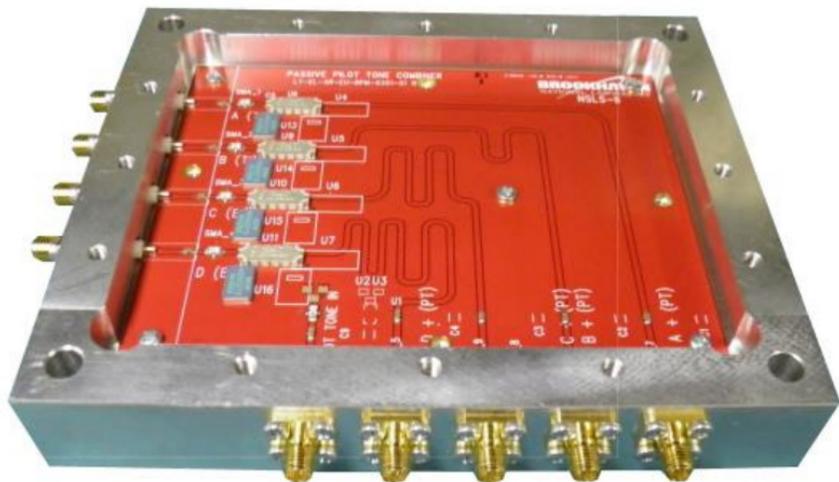
# ESRF-EBS: 4 Channel Receiver

- New BPM co-developed with industry
- 1st gen for booster, 2nd gen to complement ERSF-EBS
- Tight connection of **whole PCB to large heatsink**
- Performance tested on large set (32 installations of 4 BPMs)
- Fed by splitters from individual branched button signals
- Assessed by looking at **deviations in sets of four**, then taking average
- **200nm pk-pk in 6h**, ( $K_{X,Y} = 10\text{mm}$ )
- 2000nm/°C observed on longer records



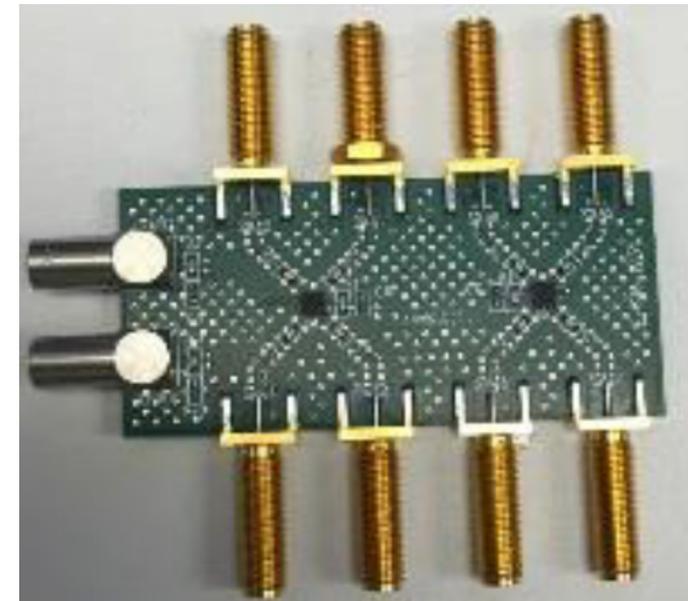
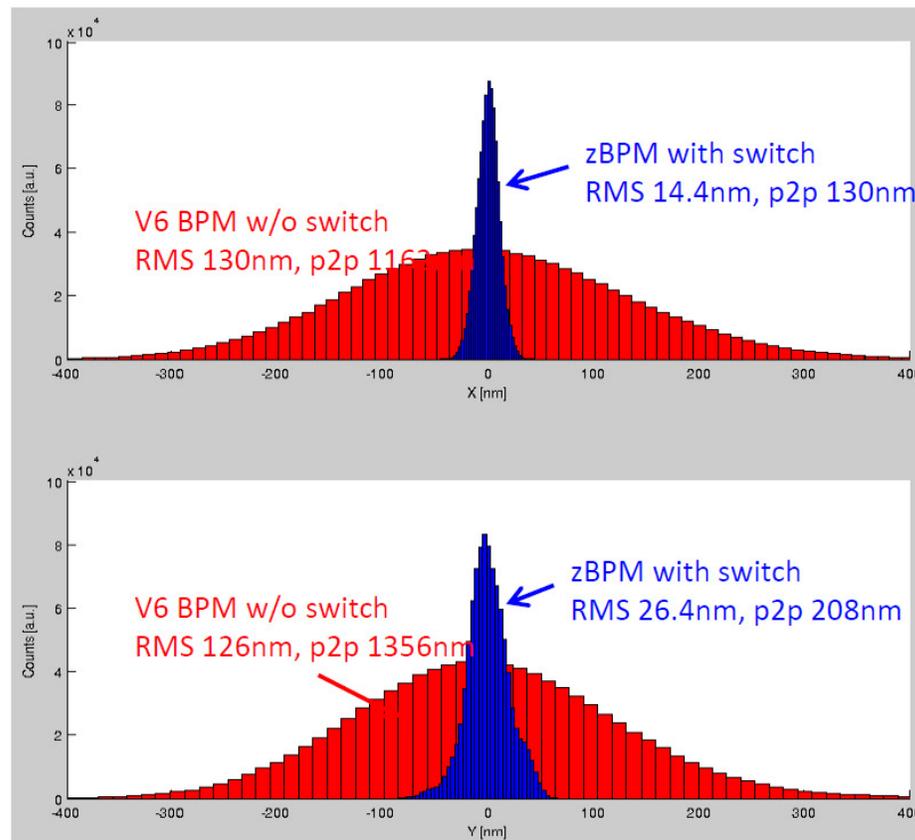
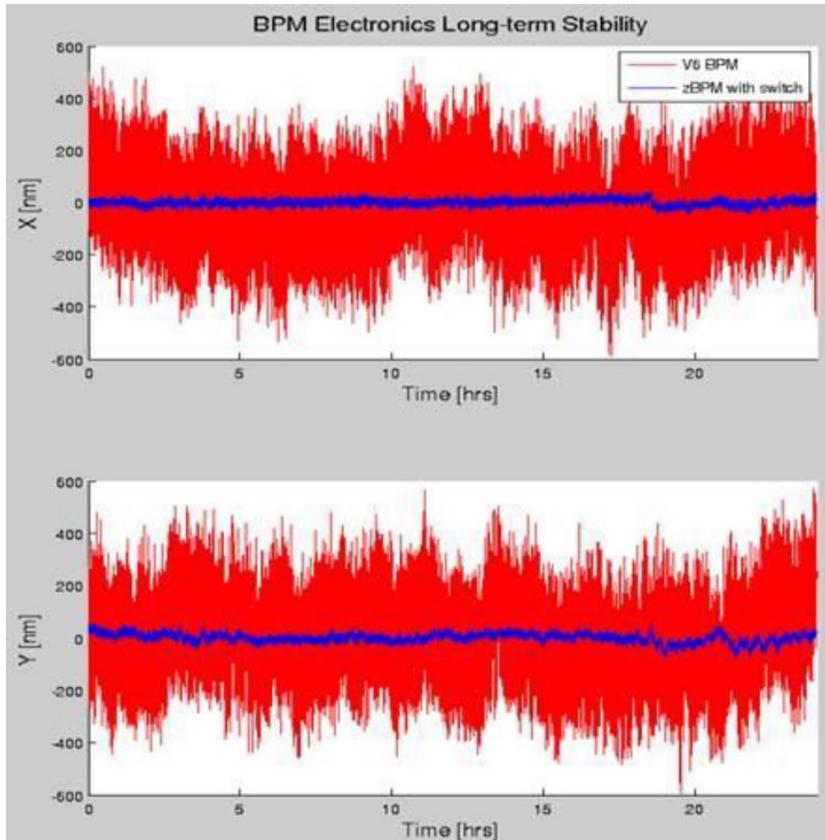
# NSLS-II: Original 4 Channel Receiver

- Rack **actively stabilised** to within **0.1°C RMS**, 1°C pk-pk
- Critical components coupled with pads to heat sink
- **Pilot tone for system commissioning**, no online correction
- 200nm pk-pk in 8h achieved ( $K_{X,Y} = 3.4\text{--}14.3\text{mm}$ )



# NSLS-II: Experiments with switching

- Tests with 2 external switches accross diagonals
- excellent results in 24h, full integration required

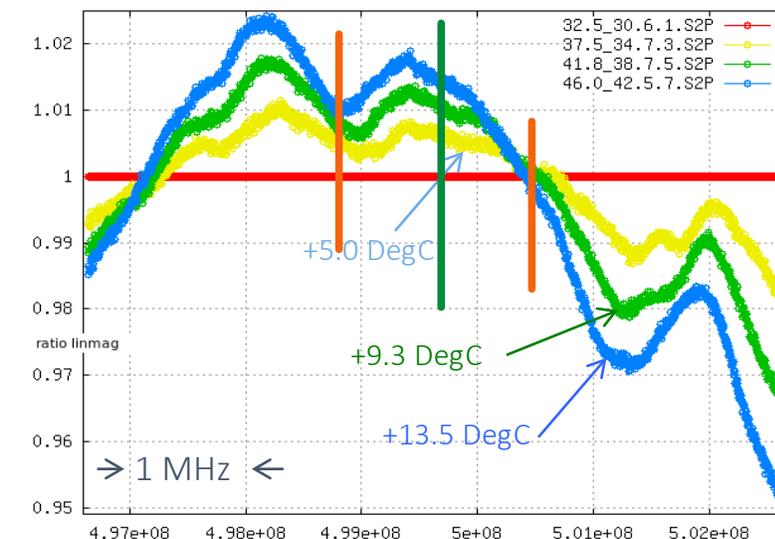


# BPM Upgrade at ALS

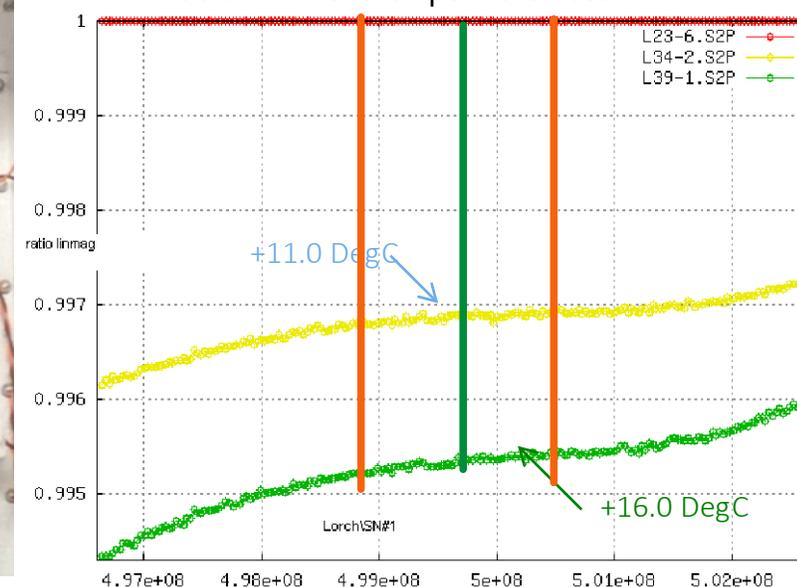
- BPMs upgraded in 2018/2019
- Variant of NSLS-II BPM with changed analogue FE
  - **Ceramic filter** replaces SAW filter
  - **PCB thermally connected** to case
  - Many smaller changes
- Pilot tone injection built from **connectorised** power divider and directional couplers in the tunnel
- Pilot tone generated outside tunnel, **phase locked** to RF frequency
- **Two pilot tones** above and below signal to interpolate channel gain
- **Three DDCs** per channel!



NSLS-II BPM Channel with SAW Filters

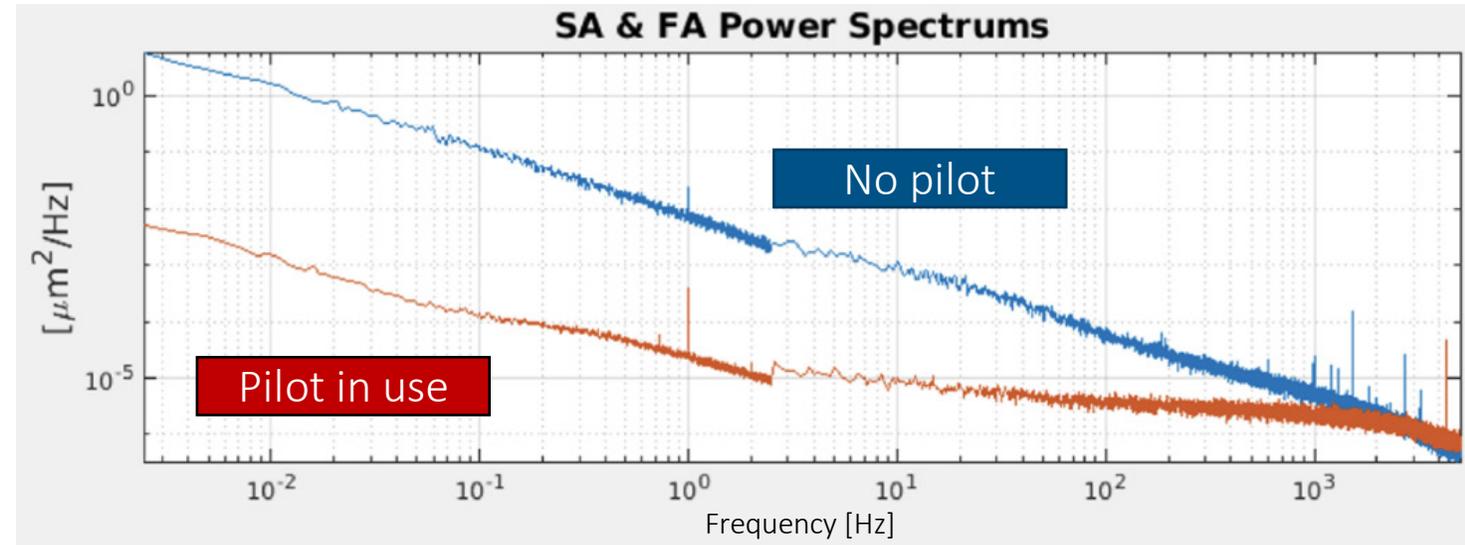
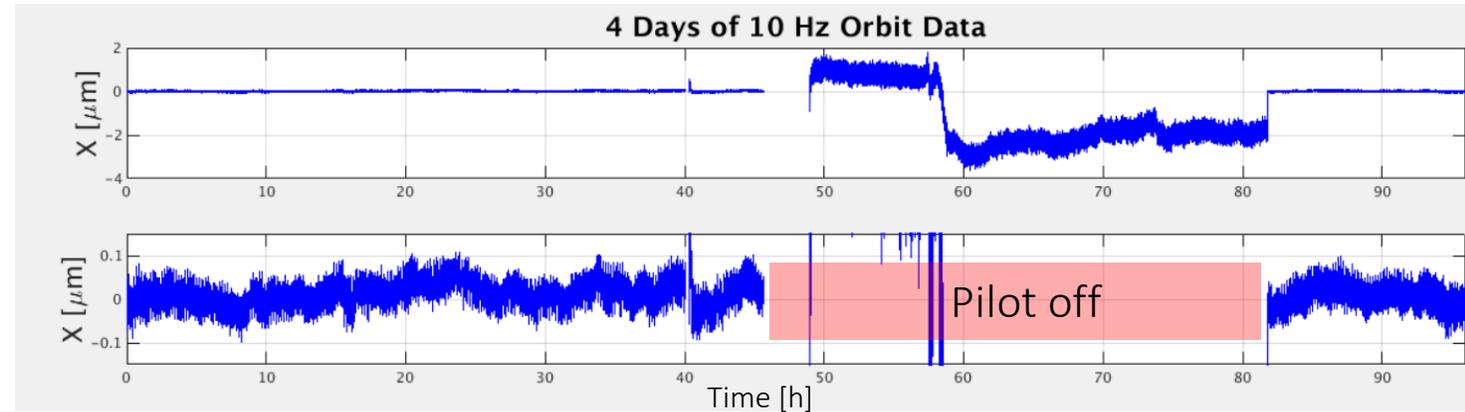


Ceramic Filter Temperature Test



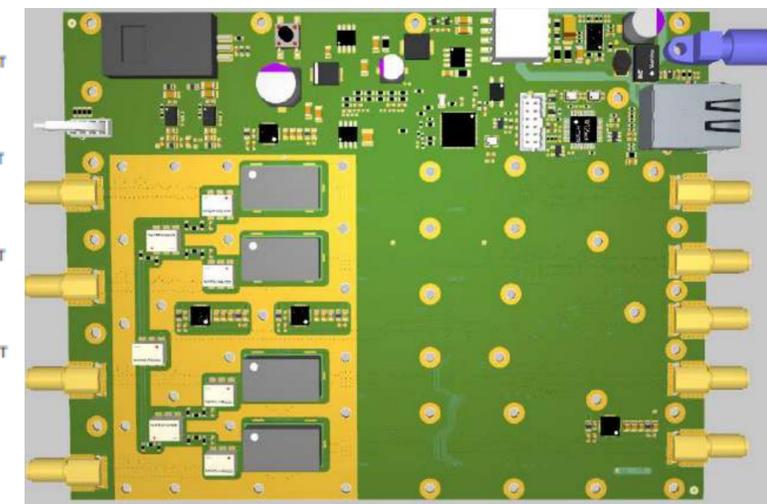
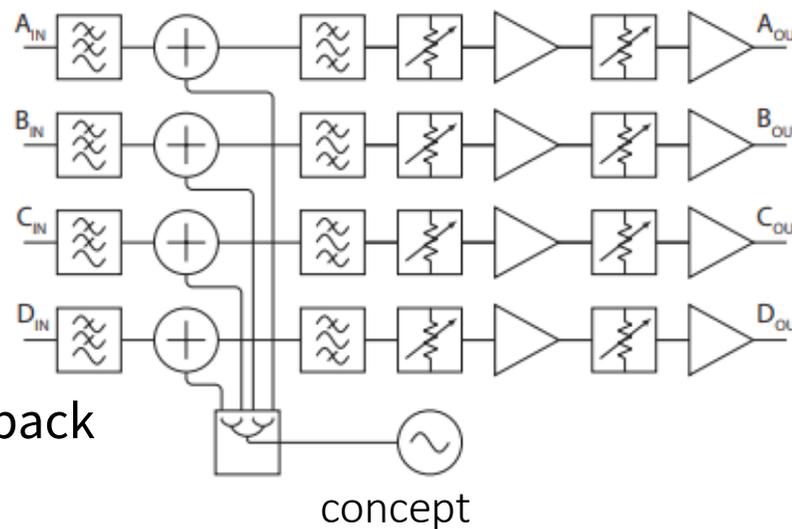
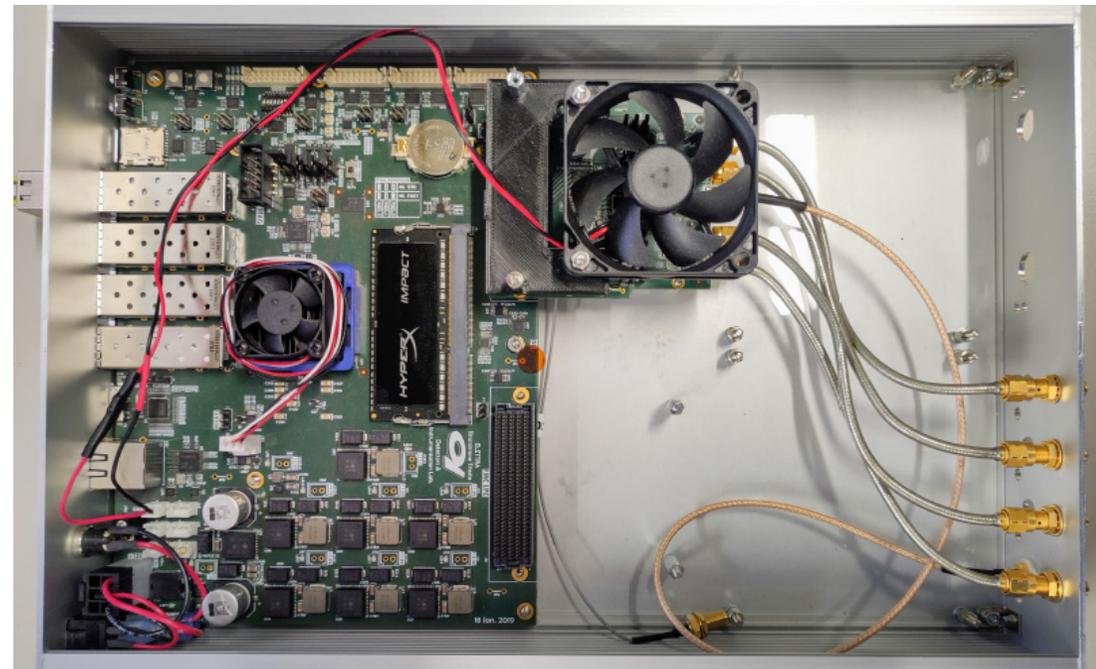
# ALS BPM results

- With pilot tone 200nm pk-pk in 4 days ( $K_{X,Y} = 16\text{mm}$ )
- Noise improvement by pilot seen up to 1 kHz
- Phase locked pilot tone @  $\pm 11/19 f_{rev}$  easily removed by averaging 19 turns
- Pilot tone needs to be switched off for TbT data!



# BPM upgrade for Elettra 2.0

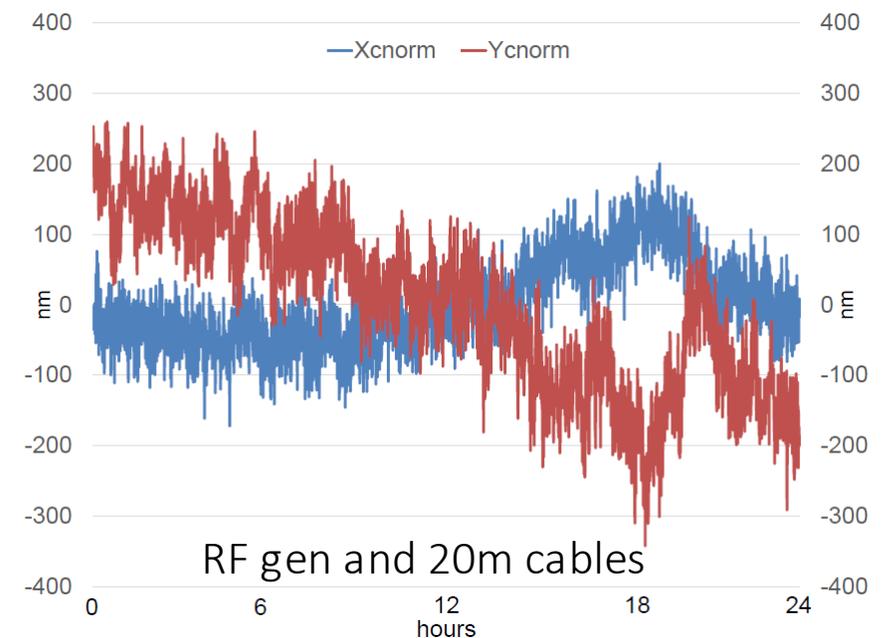
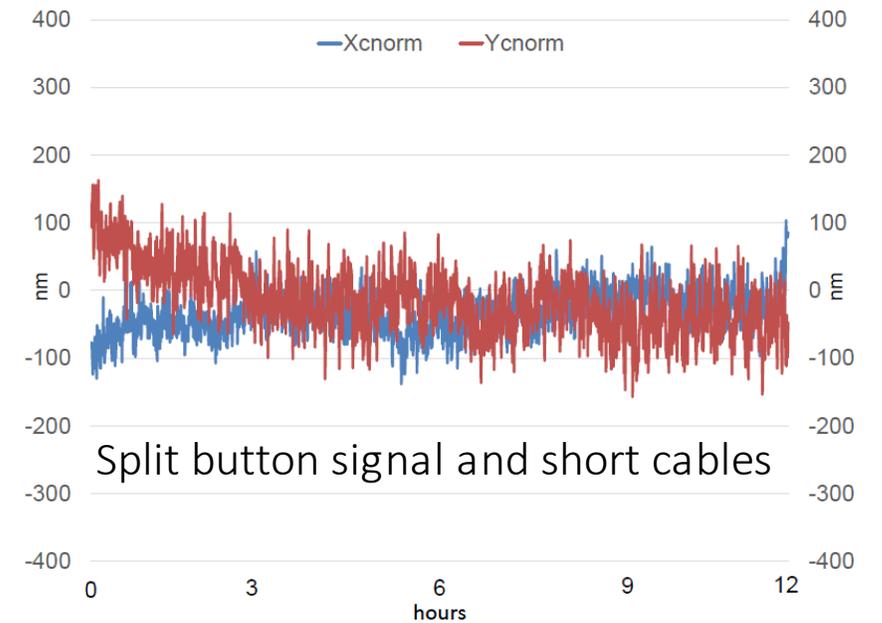
- Inhouse development of whole system
- Distribution and injection with system of **2-way power splitters**
- Amplification, filtering, switchable attenuation, radiation sensor in the FE
- **Selectable filters SAW and LC**
- On board pilot tone generation or external feed in
- Power/Comms through **PoE/GBE**
- Fibre optic to notify FPGA of gain changes
- Digitiser has no BPM specific components (potential re-use)
- **Variable rate up to TbT** to orbit feedback
- Contract to industrialise and produce FE and digitiser for Elettra 2.0



final, industrialised PCB

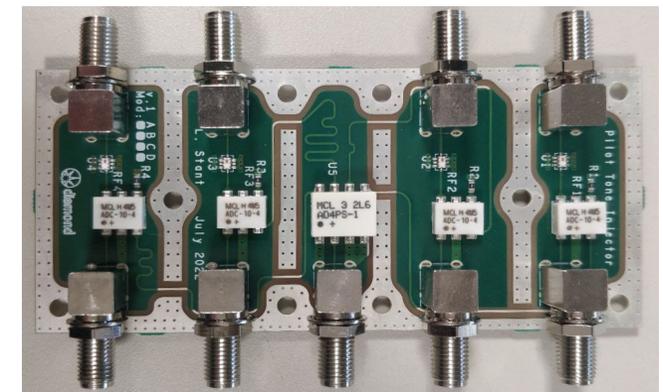
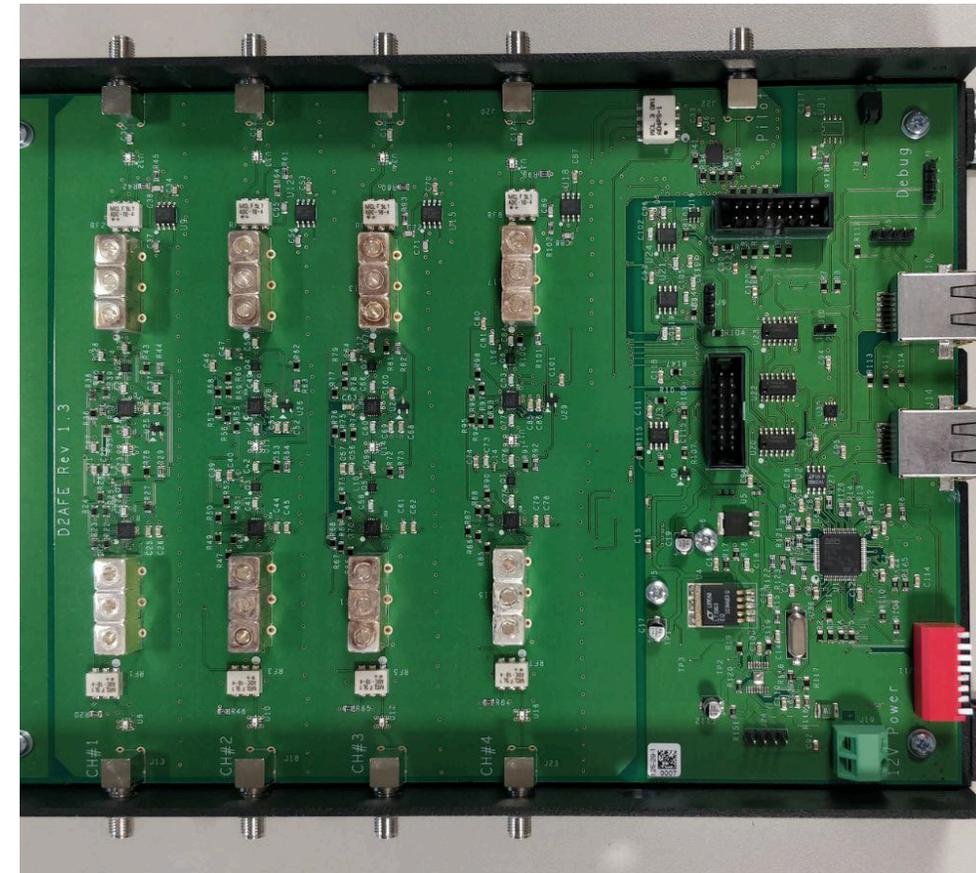
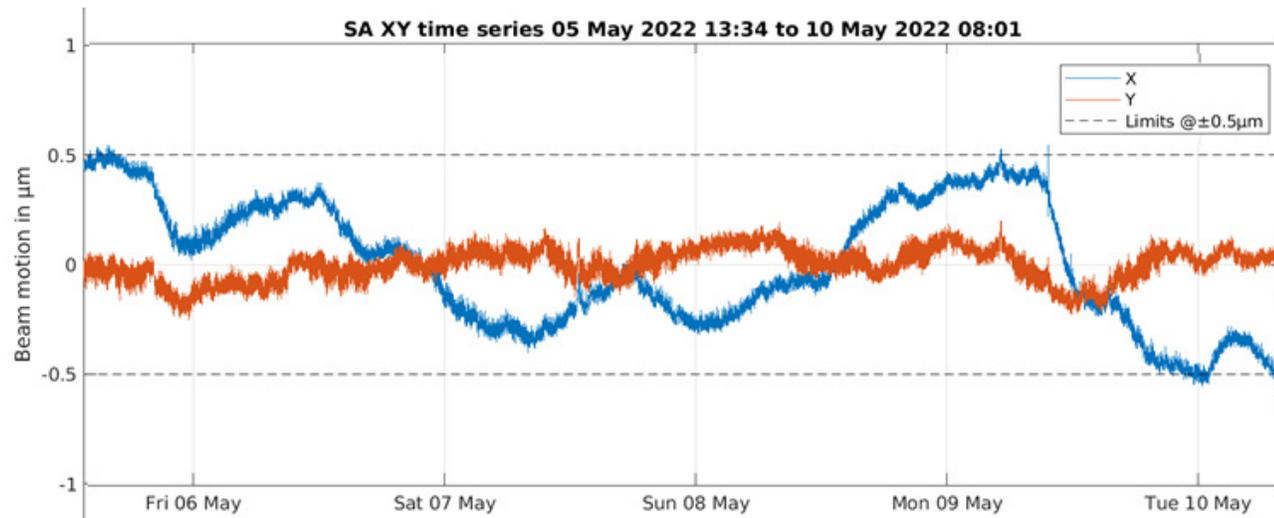
# Elettra 2.0 BPM results

- FAT of FE with modified Libera Spark (added pilot tone processing)
- Influence of temperature and humidity extensively tested using climatic chambers
- Impact of beam current and fill pattern changes tested using beam
- First test of final FE show excellent performance ~200nm pk-pk in 12h
- Earlier test with prototype showed 700nm pk-pk in 3 days ( $K_{X,Y} = 20\text{mm}$ )



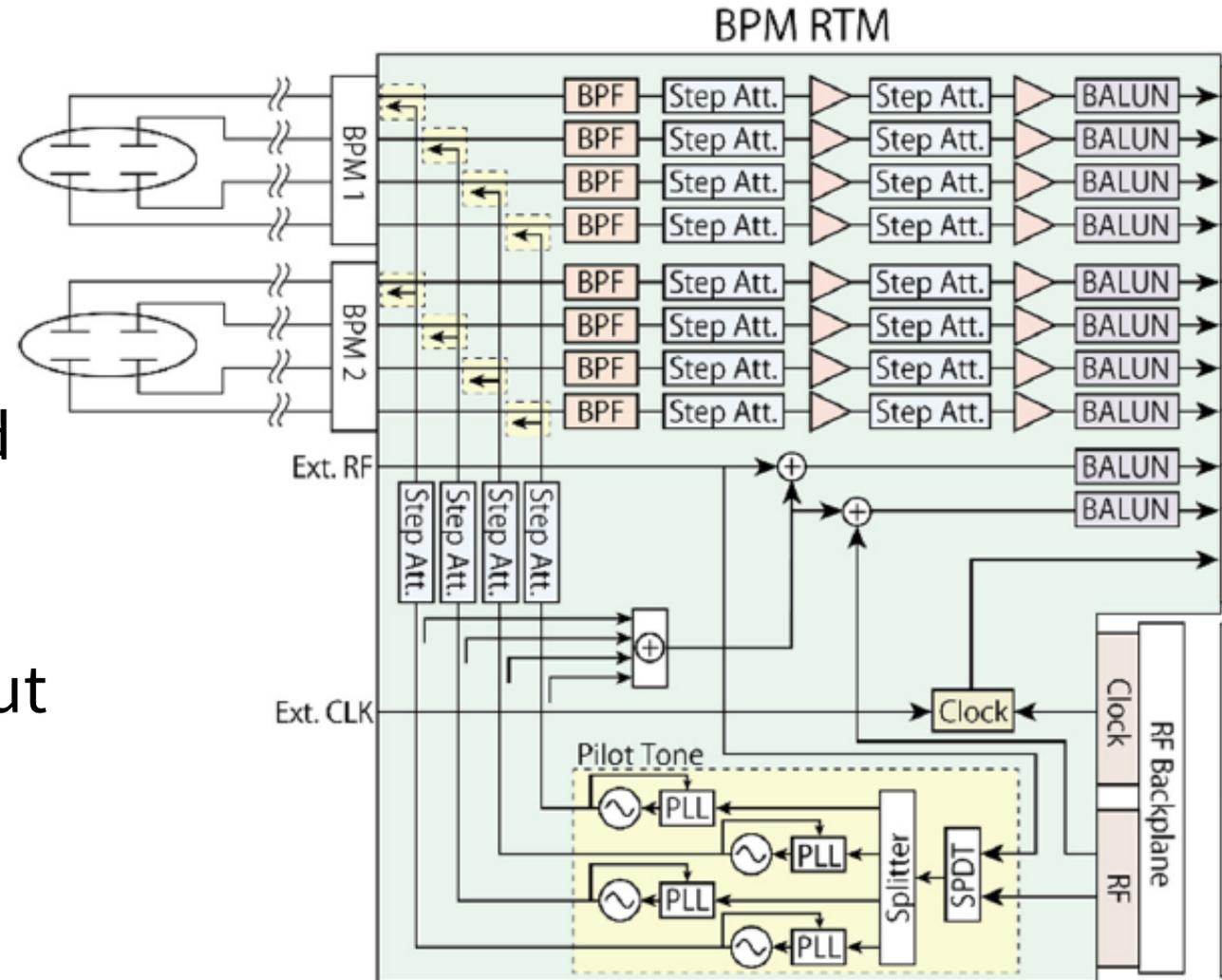
# Diamond-II: new BPM

- In-house developed FE
- Injection of PT with PCB mounted couplers, filters, amps, attenuators
- Digitiser from COTS in MTCA
- Early beam test show 1000nm pk-pk in 4 days ( $K_{X,Y} = 10\text{mm}$ )
- Planned experiments with passive PT injection only



# SPRING-8: BPM Upgrade Plans

- New BPMs to include pilot tone injected from the BPM RTM
- PT with individual frequencies are coupled towards buttons and reflected there
- Very flexible scheme, cables and buttons can be monitored without beam
- Online calibration not yet demonstrated



# SIRIUS: Switching Diagonal Channels

- Two 2x2 switches, simpler than 4x4 crossbar
- RF generator and splitters for signal
- Potential to relocate FE to tunnel



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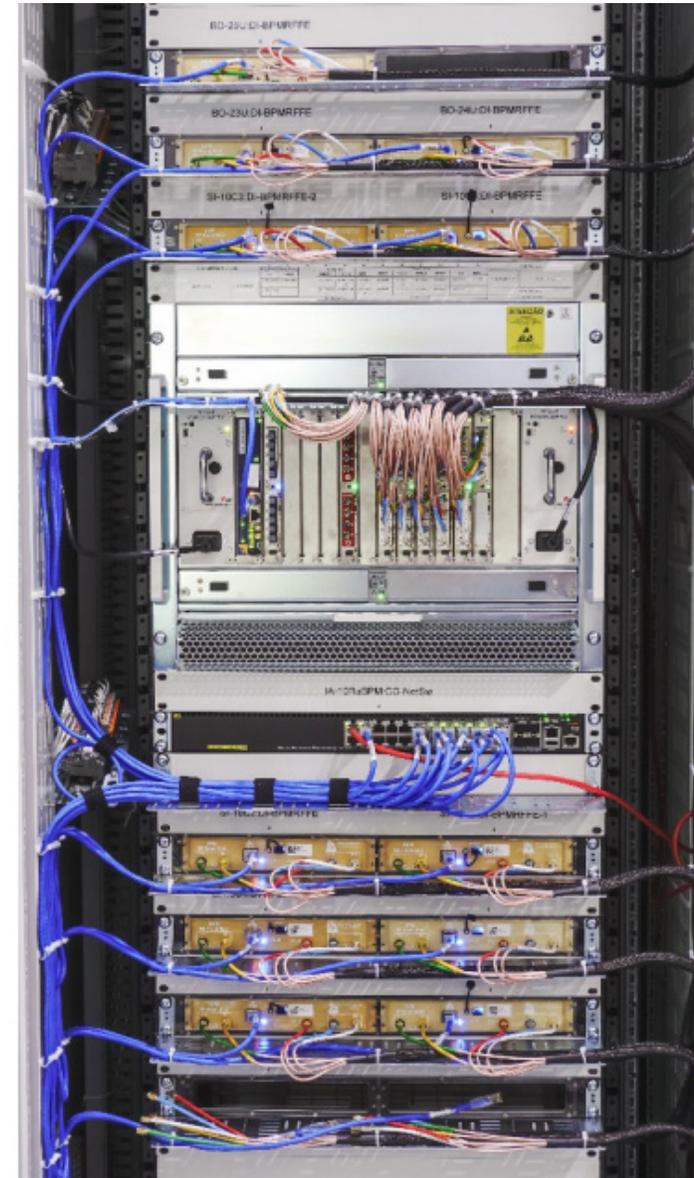
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Modules

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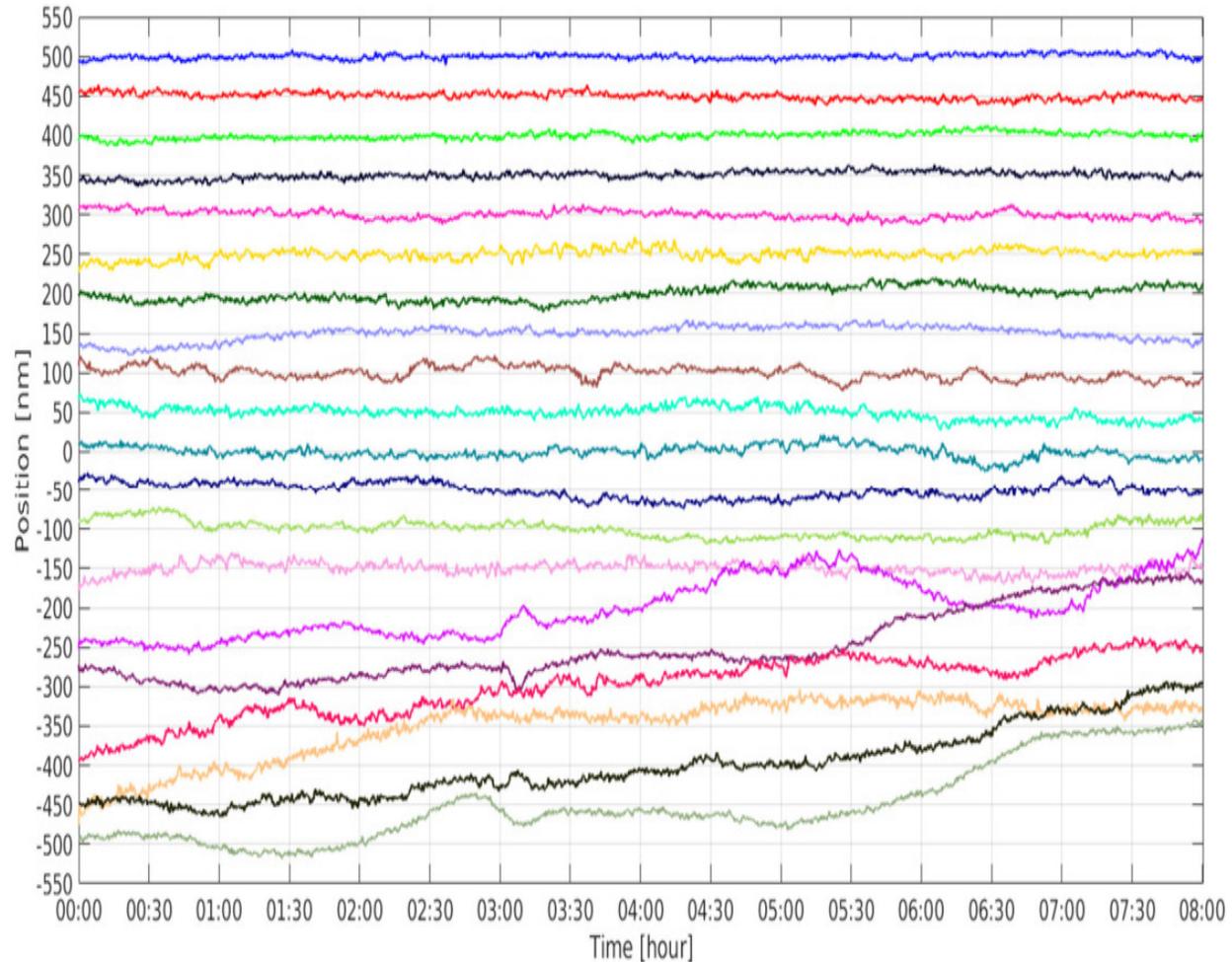
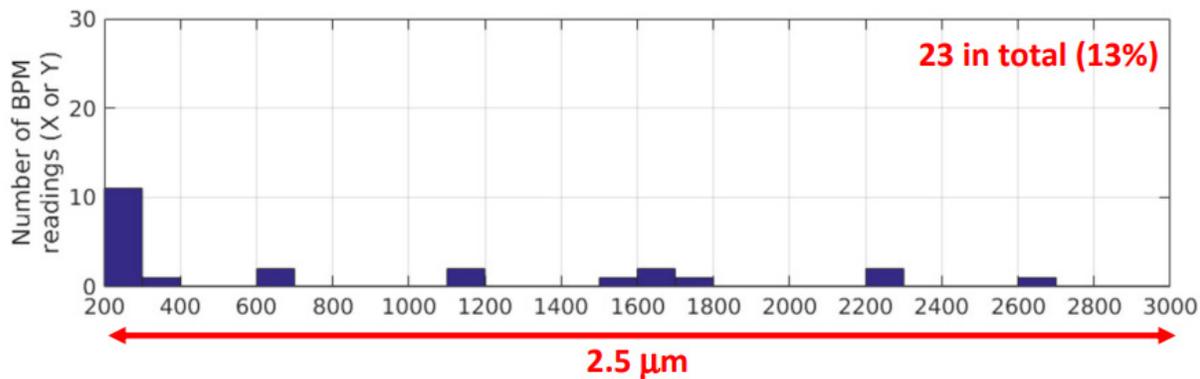
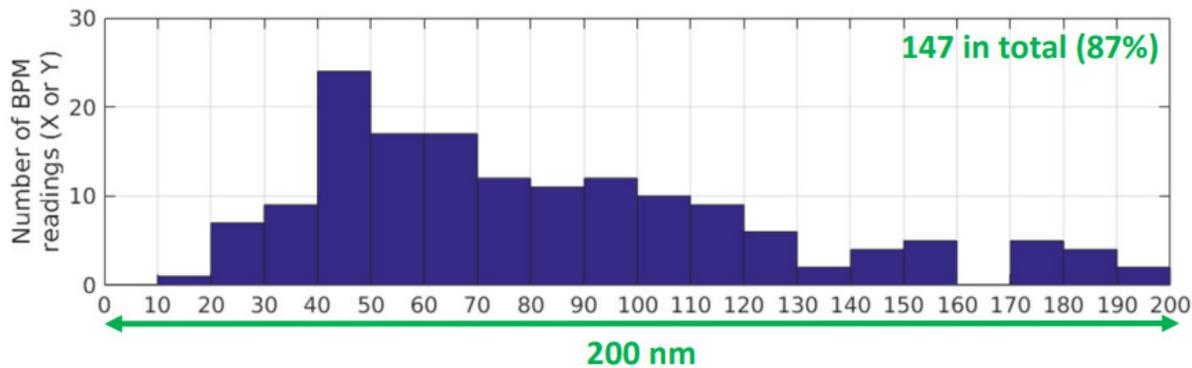
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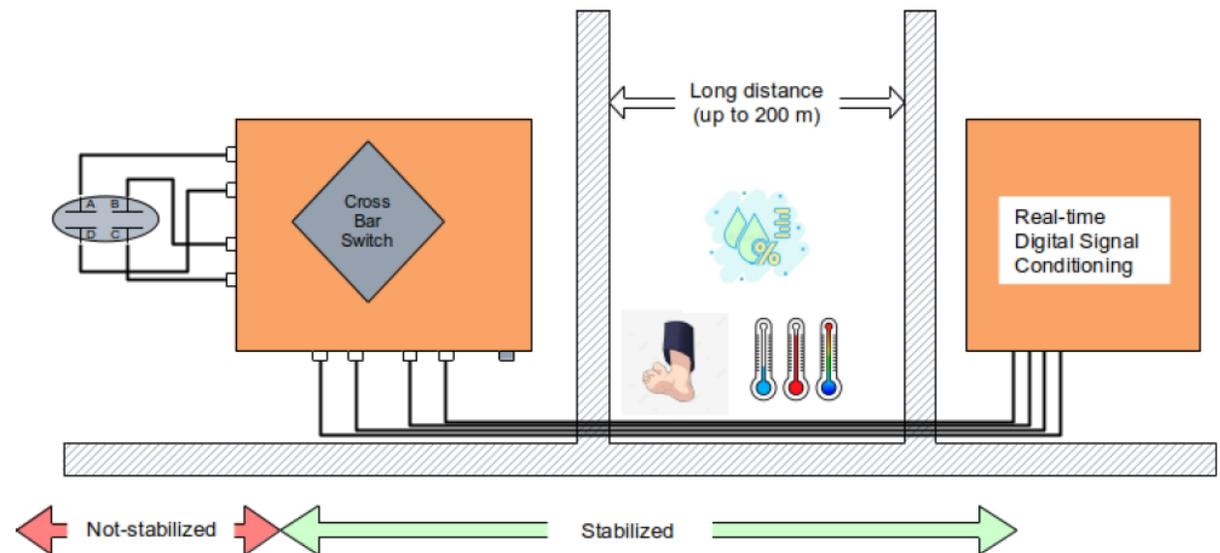
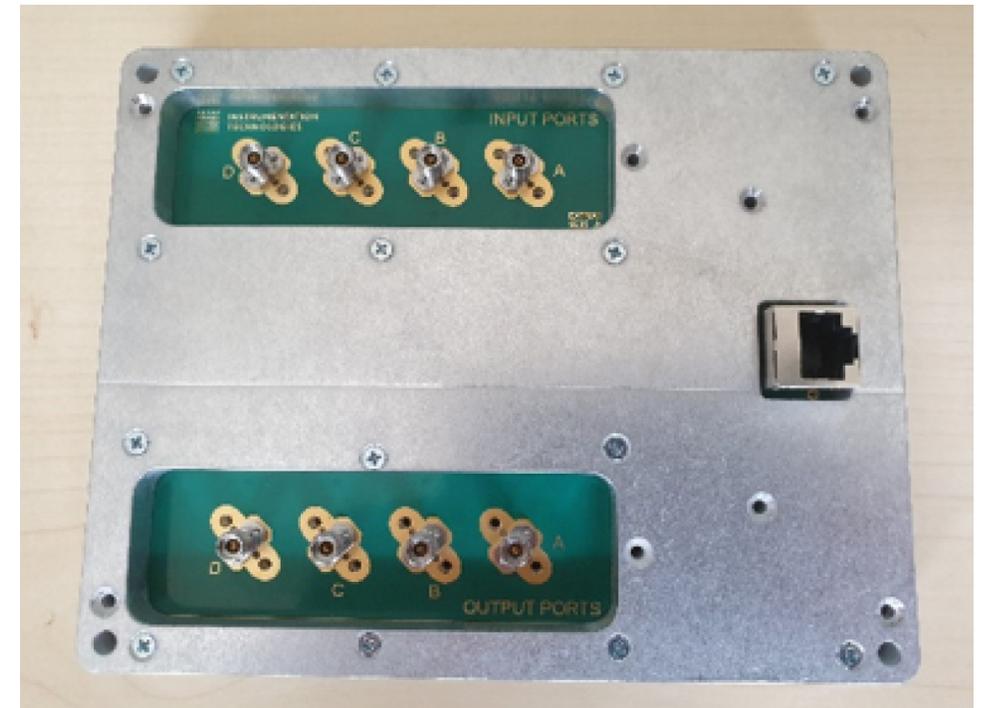
# SIRIUS BPM long term results

- Manufactured BPMs tested in racks
- Temp stabilised room (1°C pk-pk)
- Many with <200nm pk-pk in 8 h ( $K_{X,Y} = 10\text{mm}$ )



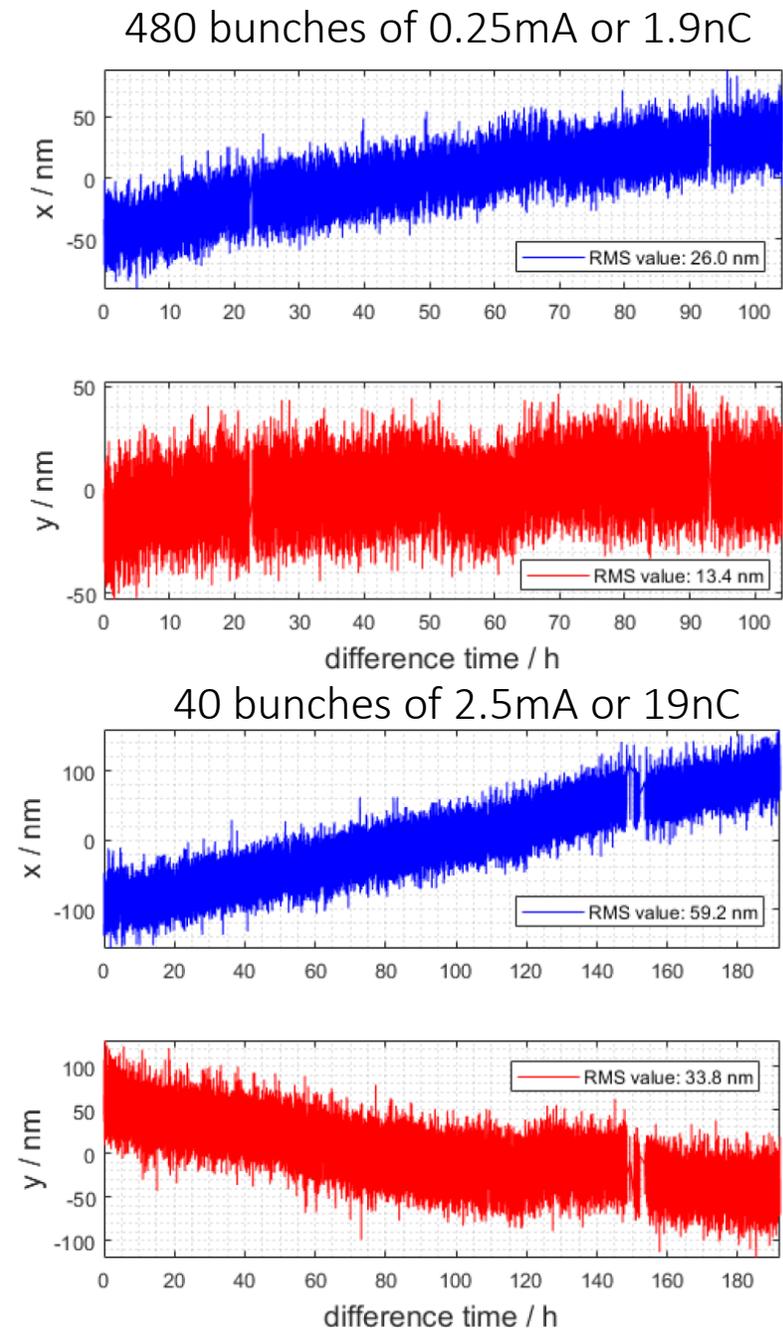
# DESY: BPMs for PETRA IV

- BPM cables run for 100-200m in uncontrolled climatic conditions
- Compared PT and switching schemes
- Idea: move crossbar-switch to tunnel, include cables in stabilisation
- Contract with industry to evaluate and advance idea

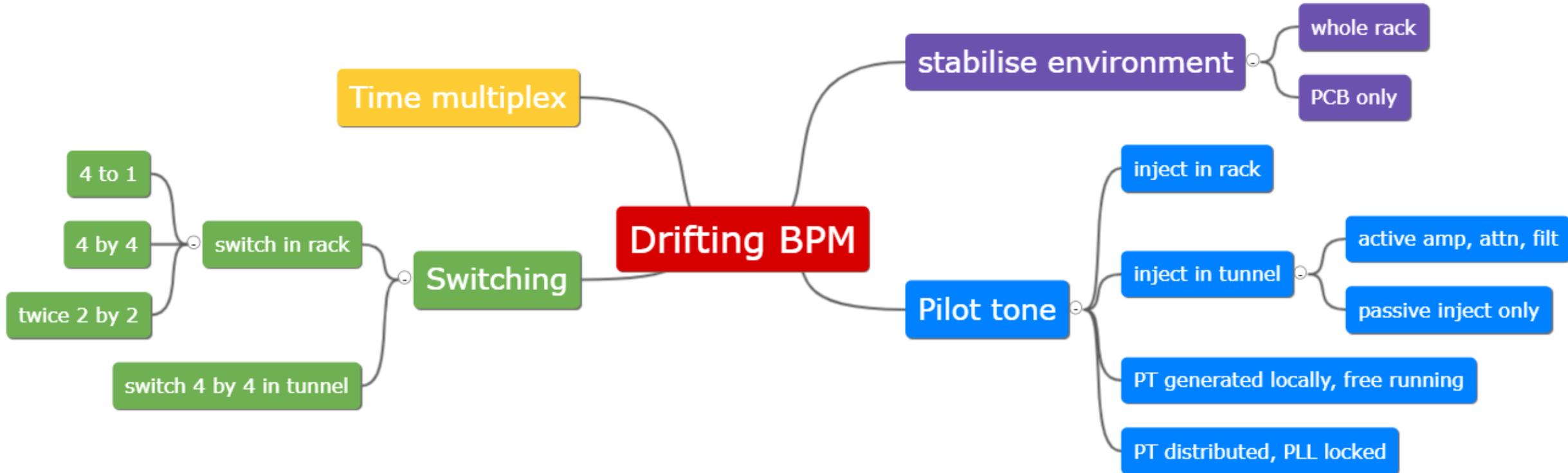


# PETRA IV BPM Prototype Tests

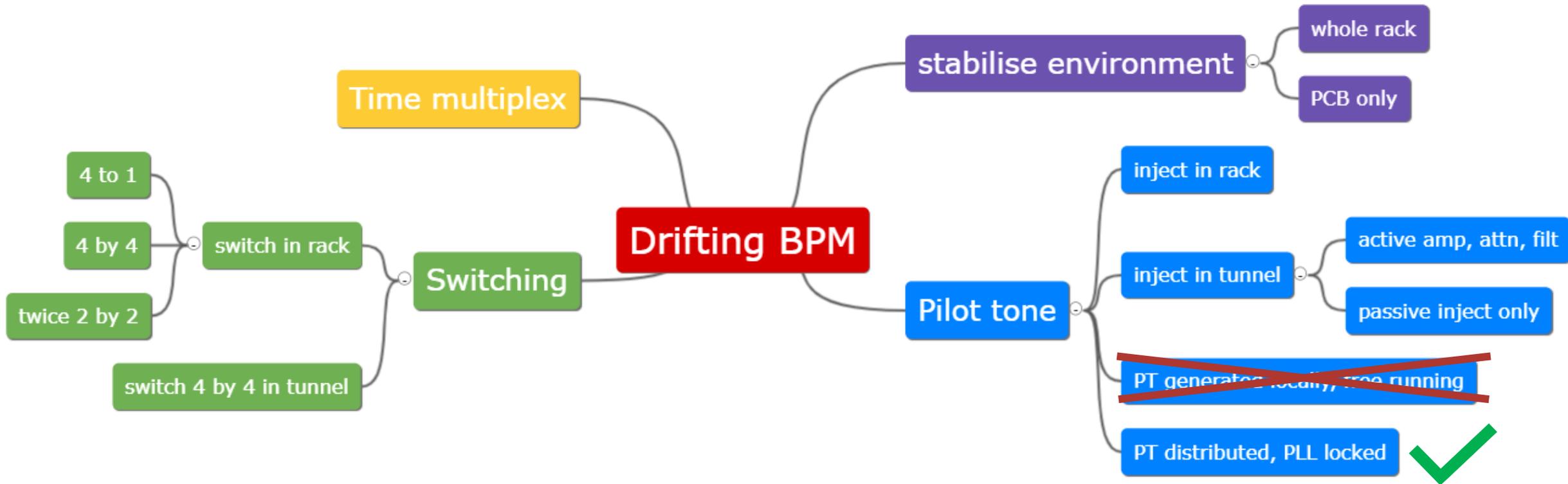
- Beam tests in PETRA III
- Tested with two fill patterns
  - No obvious differences found
- Results likely influenced by temperature rising slowly (1.2°C in 8 days)
- 150nm pk-pk in 4 days
- 300nm pk-pk in 8 days ( $K_{X,Y} = 10\text{mm}$ )



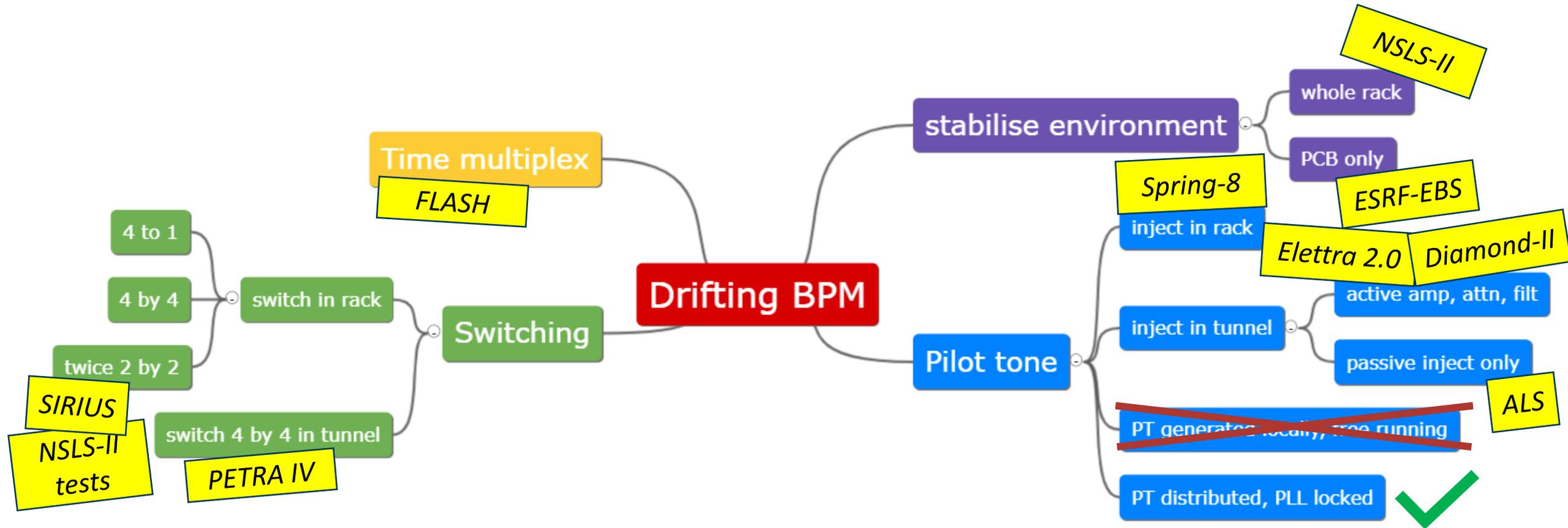
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# Conclusions

- Inclusion of cables in stabilisation is required and demonstrated
- Results  $<1\mu\text{m}$  drift in 1 week demonstrated: PT and switching alike
- PT with 2 tones and passive injection provides best results so far
- PT beneficial for monitoring without beam
- Test of full production provides more reliable assessment
- Lesser drift values provide diminishing benefit
  - Buttons feedthrough or BPM block temperature varies with beam current
  - Physical block position not controlled to this level, steel expands  $11\text{ppm} / ^\circ\text{C}$
  - Floor position not certain on these scales
- Additional monitors (temperature, humidity, floor motion, photon beam, ...) are beneficial in operation