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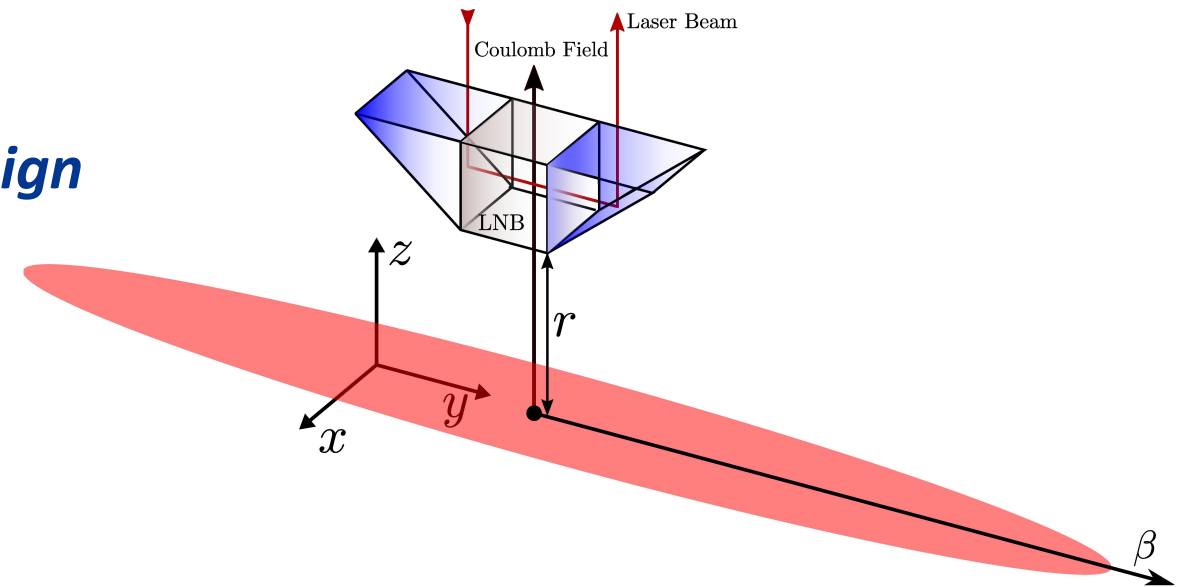
Electro-Optical BPM Development for High Luminosity LHC



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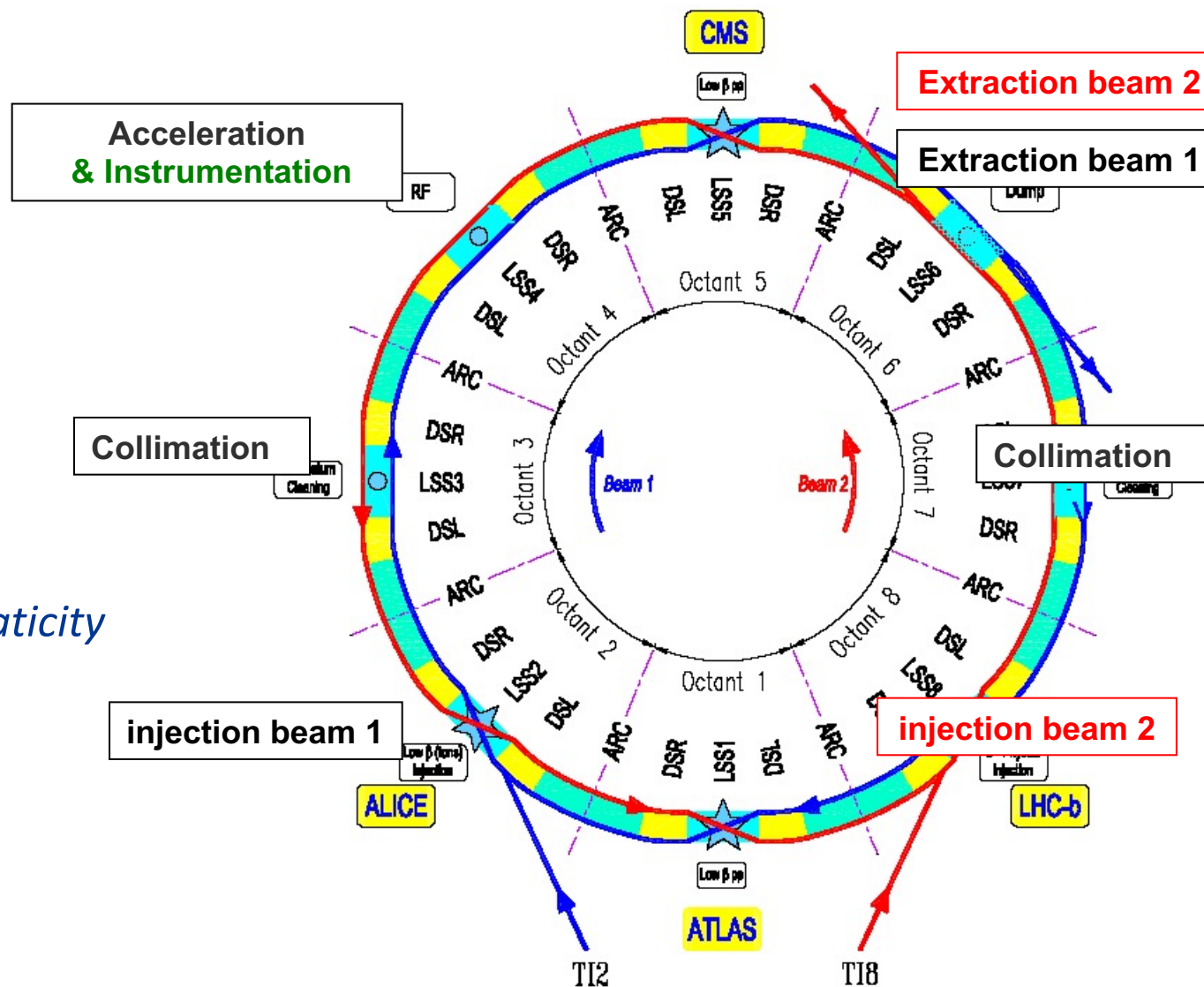


- **Motivation for High-Luminosity LHC / fast diagnostics**
- **Electro-optic Beam Position Monitors**
 - Interferometric EOBPM concept
 - Historic development
- **Simulations of improved EO waveguide design**
- **Validation with recent beam tests:**
 - Transverse resolution at HiRadMat
 - Bandwidth resolution studies at CLEAR
- **Future developments**



Beam instrumentation at the LHC

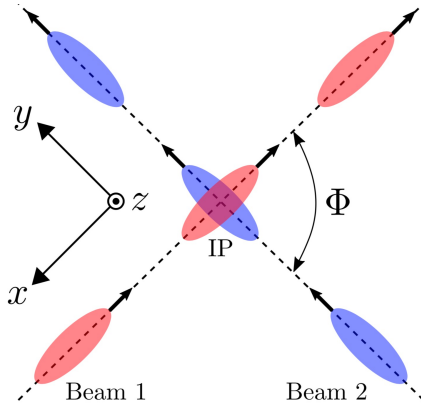
- 1182 beam position monitors
- >4000 beam loss monitors
- Screens at injection and extraction
- Wire scanners, synchrotron radiation monitors
- Monitors for current, tune and chromaticity
- Bunch instability monitors
- Luminosity monitors



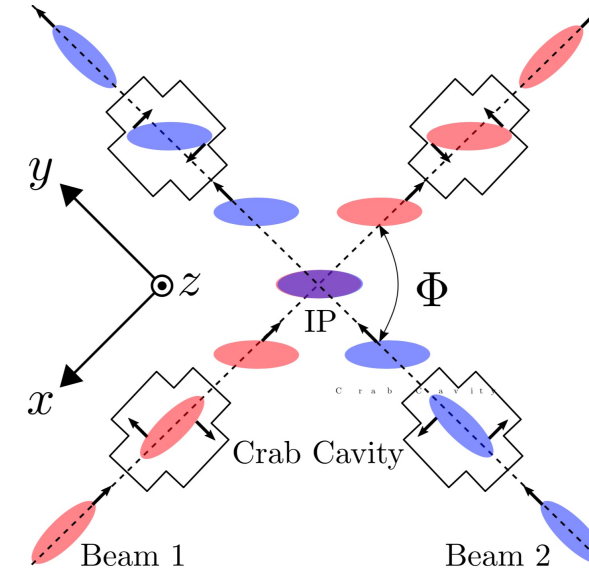
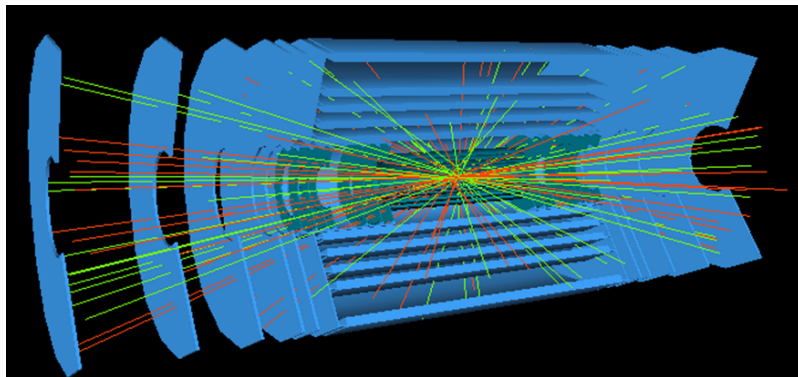
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Motivation: Crab bunch rotation at HL-LHC

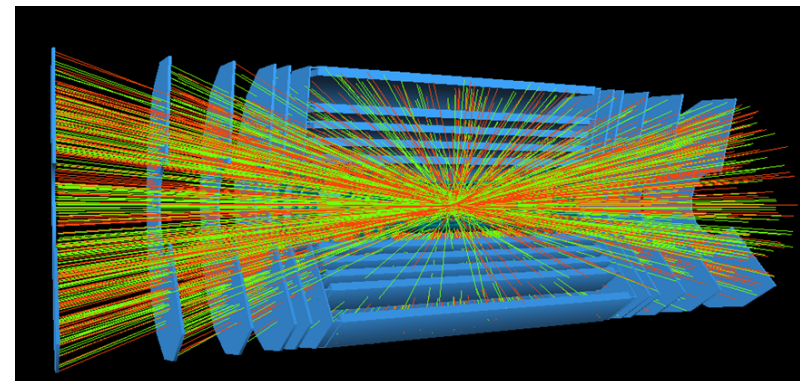
- To optimize the performance of the crab-cavities for the High Luminosity LHC, a new, fast diagnostic tool is required to monitor the bunch rotation:



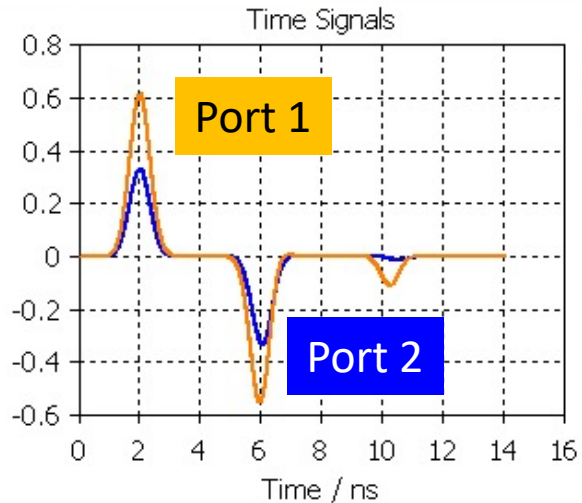
LHC: 23 interactions



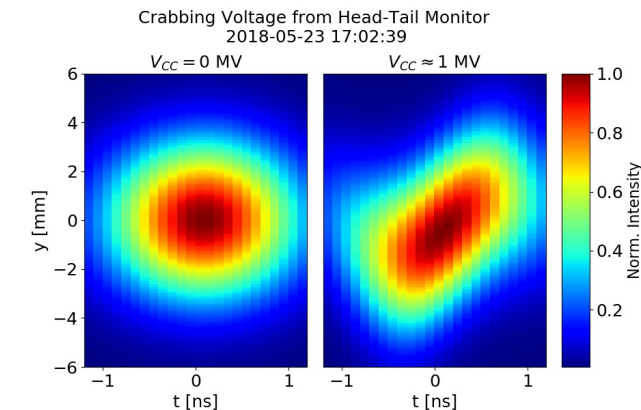
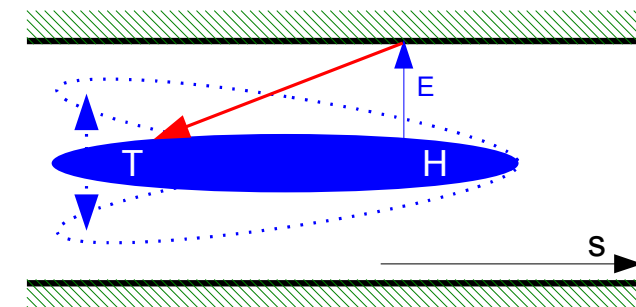
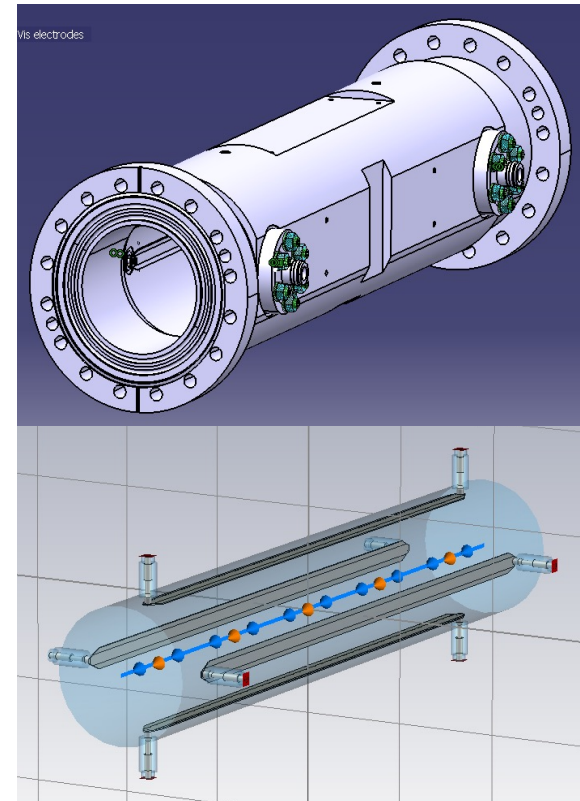
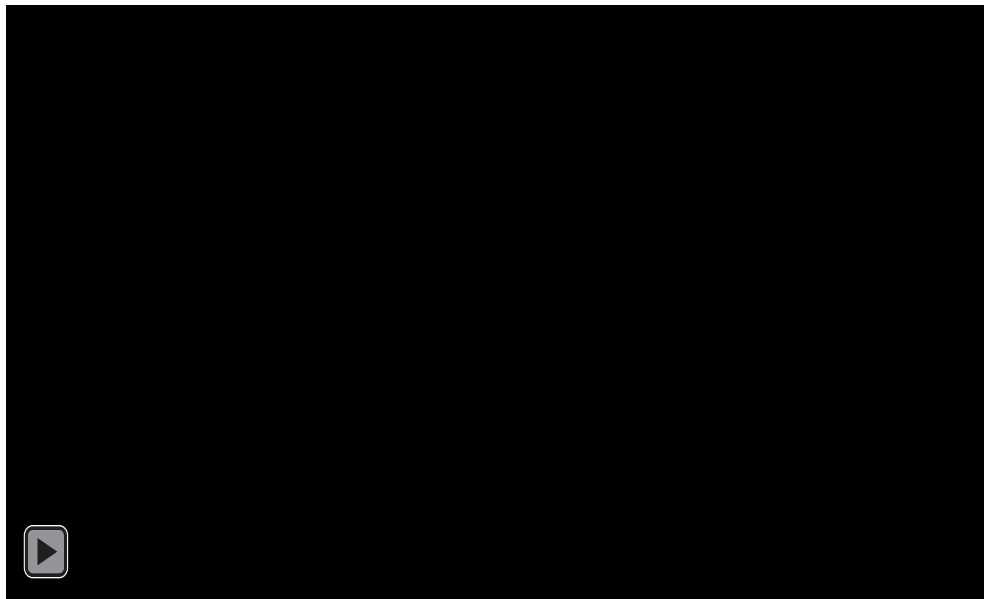
HL-LHC: 140 interactions



Conventional Head-Tail monitor



- CERN's existing head-tail monitor is based on a stripline:
 - Long enough that the signal and reflection do not mix
- Very clean time domain signal of the transverse position along the bunch



First detection of crabbed bunch in SPS

T. Levens et al

Motivation: rapid, intra-bunch diagnostics

The EO-BPM project grew out of idea to upgrade the Head Tail monitor to visualize and study beam instabilities as they occur.

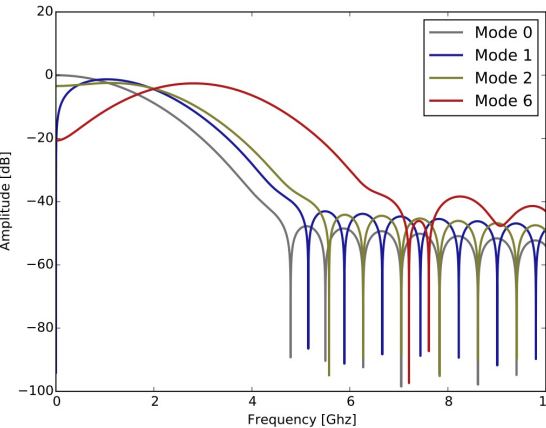
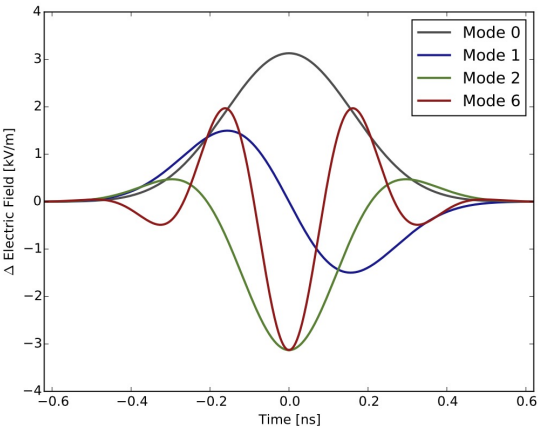
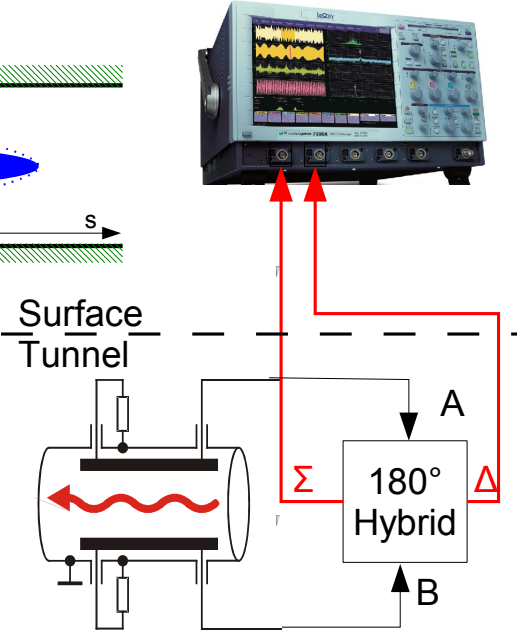
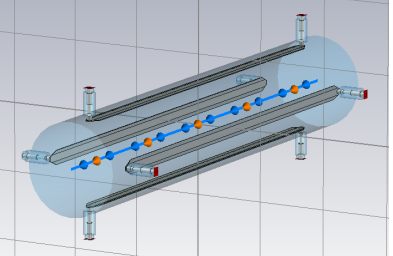
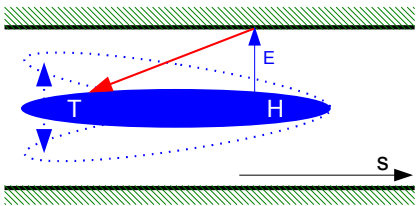
Bandwidth of conventional diagnostics is typically **limited** to a few GHz by the pick-ups, hybrid, cables and acquisition system.

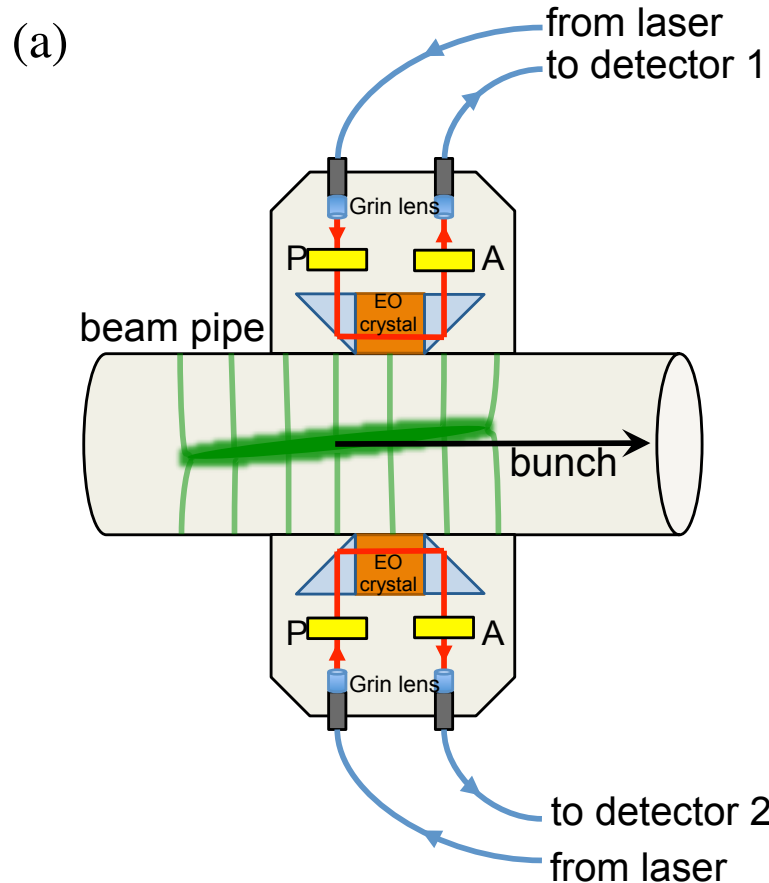
New technology: fast electro-optics pickups:

- replace capacitive pick-ups with fast **electro-optic crystals**
- replace electric cables by **optical-fibre readout**

Aims:

- Bandwidth: Mode 6 detection with a time resolution lower than 100ps.**
- Higher bandwidth (>6GHz) required for the higher order modes.**
- Transverse resolution along 1ns proton bunch.**



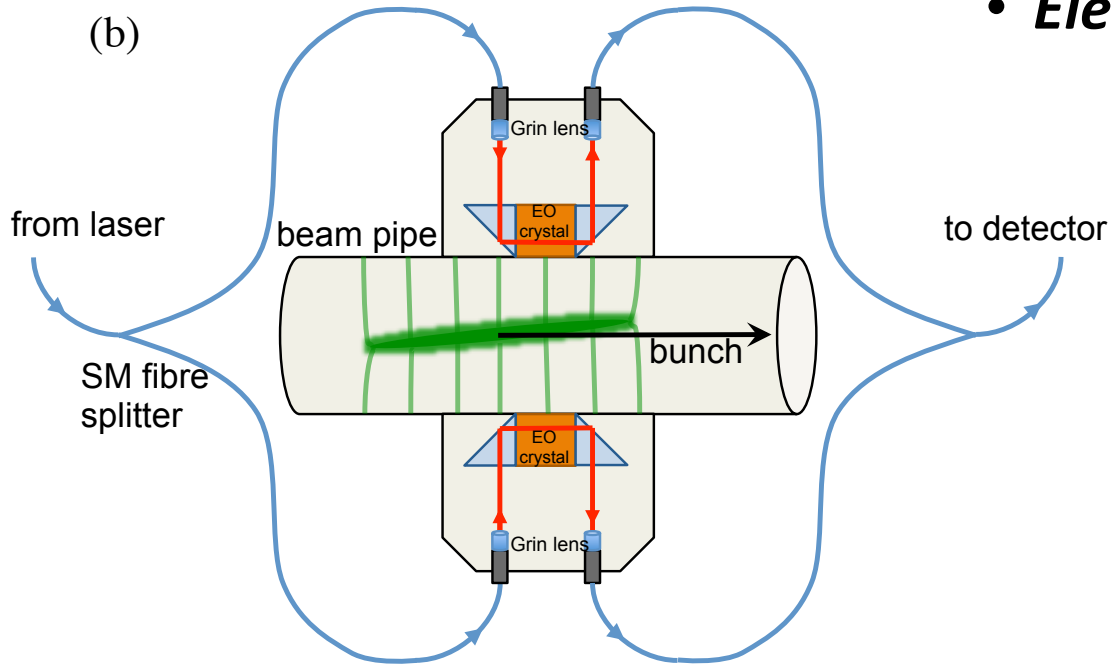


- **Electro-Optic BPM basic principle:**

- **Monitor the polarisation of light in birefringent crystals in response to the electric-field of a passing bunch**
- **Transverse position along passing bunch is measured**
- **A fibre coupled laser source and photodetector read-out are housed away from the accelerator tunnel.**
- **As polarised light passes through the crystal, the electric field of the bunch induces a change in polarisation state by the linear Pockels effect**

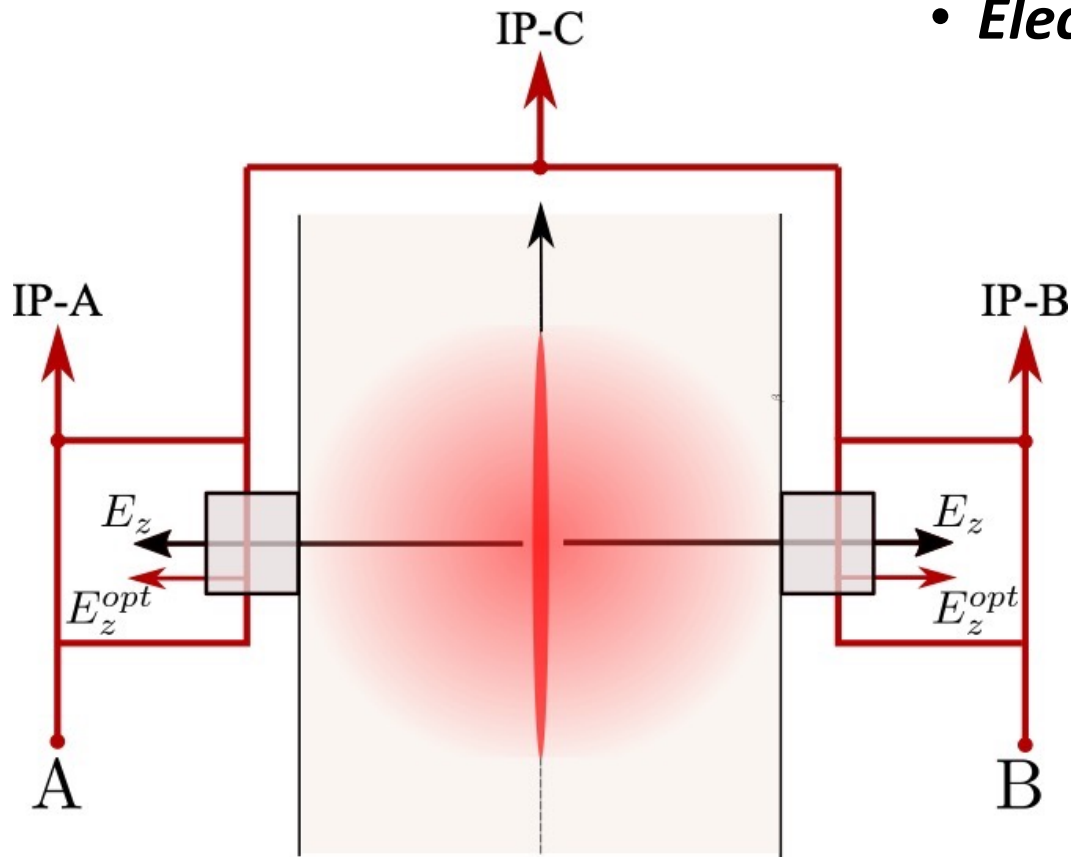
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- **Electro-Optic BPM interferometric principle:**



- **A fibre-coupled interferometer which uses phase modulation rather than a polariser/analyser**
- **Short, equal fibre lengths between the splitters improve tolerance to thermal instabilities and provide synchronization between pick-up**
- **Key advantage:**
 - The coherence of light is exploited to suppress the common mode signal.
 - The **difference signal** is directly measured by the photodetector.
 - Potential for enhanced positional resolution

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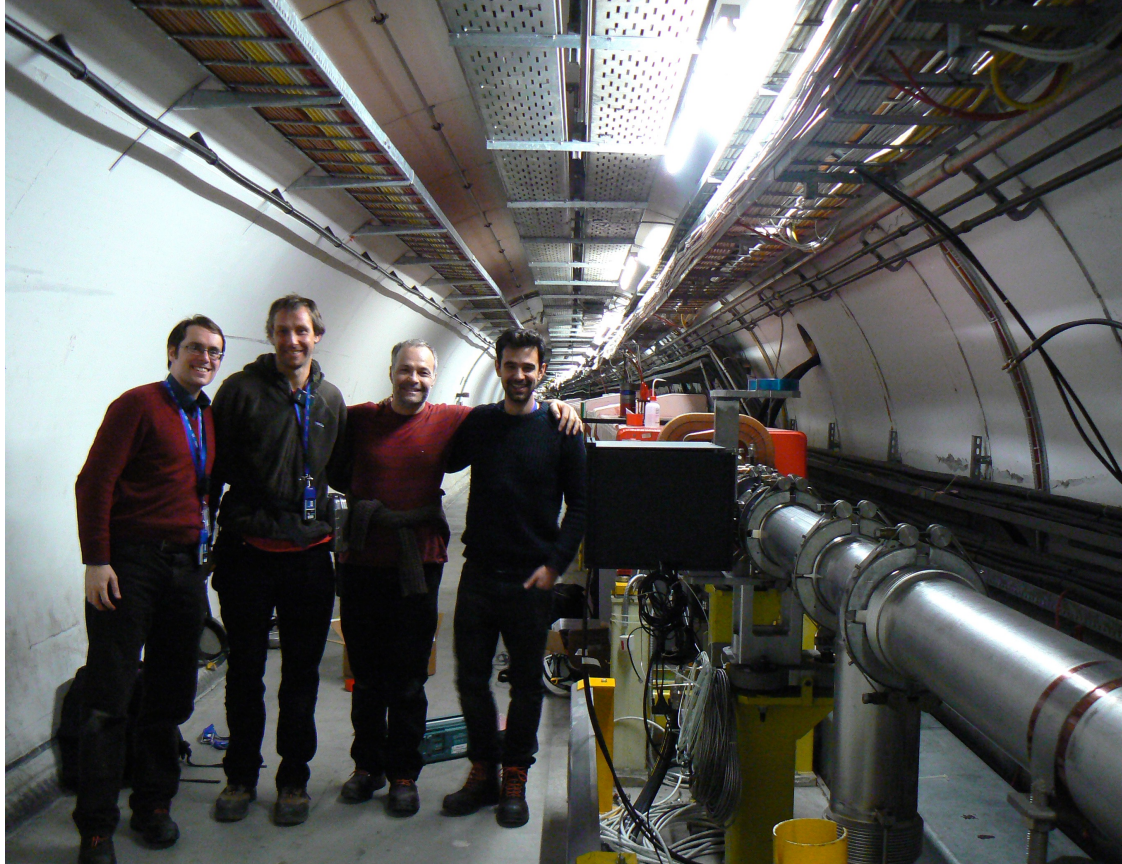
- **Electro-Optic BPM triple interferometric principle:**

- The propagating Coulomb field from a passing bunch induces a phase change of a laser beam, split between both crystals.
- “Common mode” interferometer IP-C: Optical modulation from opposite EO pickups is combined. **Difference signal** is produced when the beam is off-centre. **This optical difference signal has never been tested until now.**
- Two “side mode” interferometers IP-A, and IP-B: The optical modulation from each EO pickup is combined with a non-modulated arm, as in:

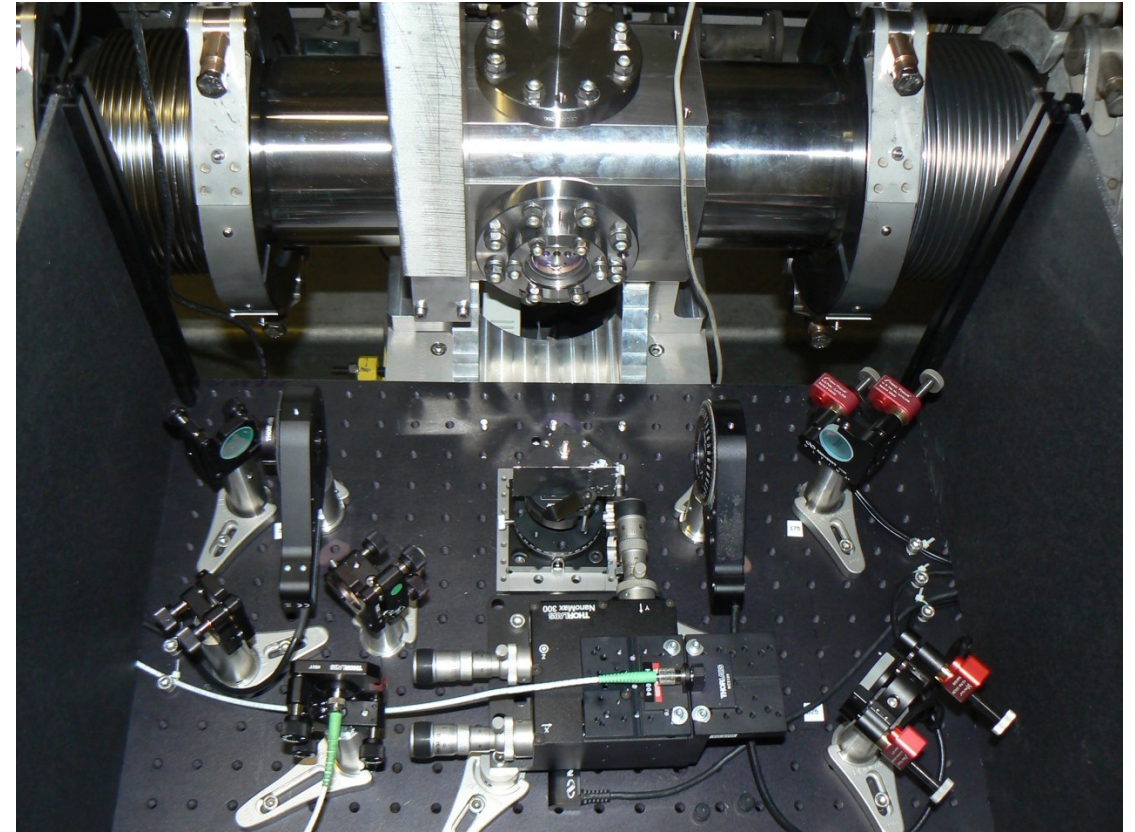
Enhanced Bunch Monitoring by Interferometric Electro-Optic Methods, WEPAL073, Gibson, S. et al, IPAC May 2018.

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Historic EO development at CERN SPS

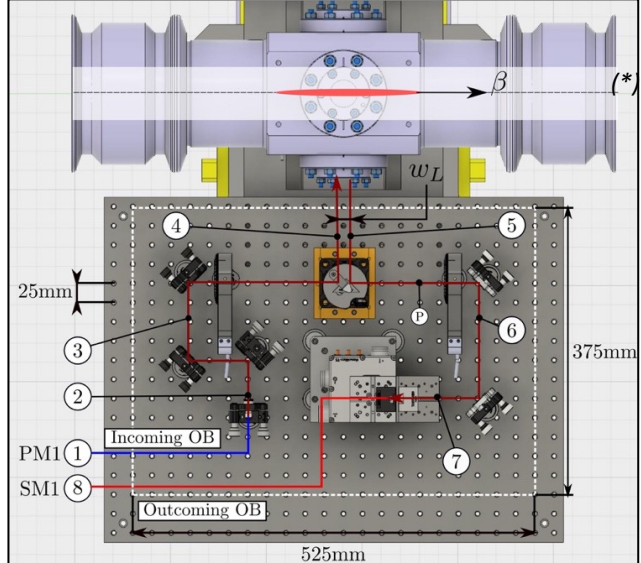
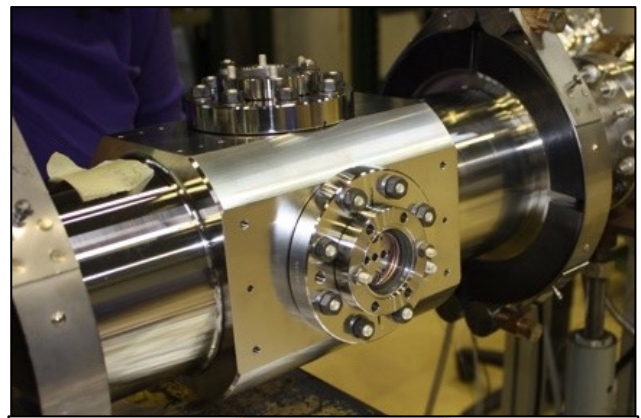


Original SPS prototype installed in 2015 used bulky free-space optics to sent light into the accelerator vacuum via a viewport. (Pickups still in use for AWAKE today!)

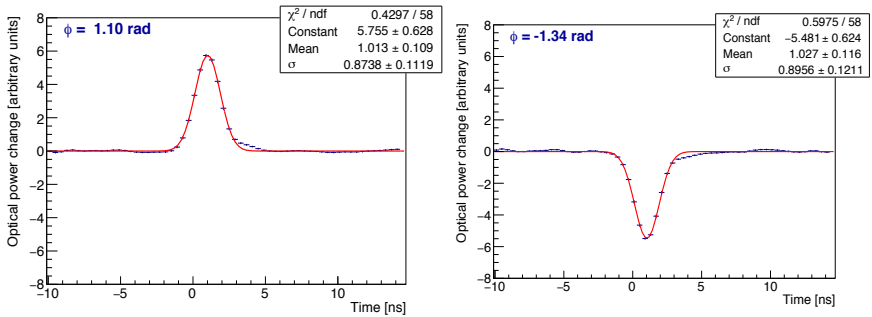
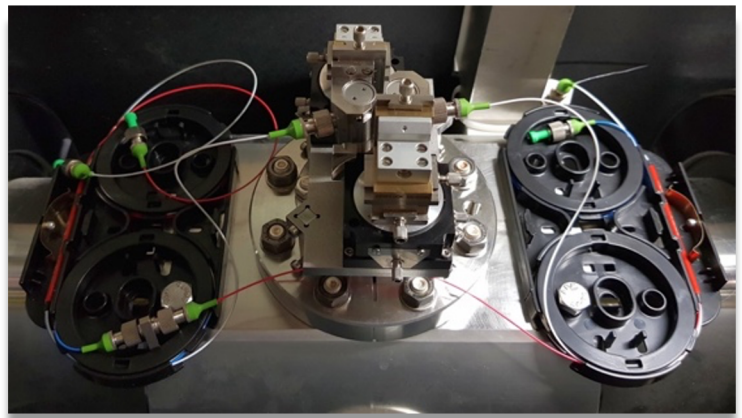


Arteche, A., RHUL PhD Thesis, June 2018, *Studies of a prototype of an Electro-Optic Beam Position Monitor at the CERN Super Proton Synchrotron*, <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2653351?ln=en>

SPS Prototype

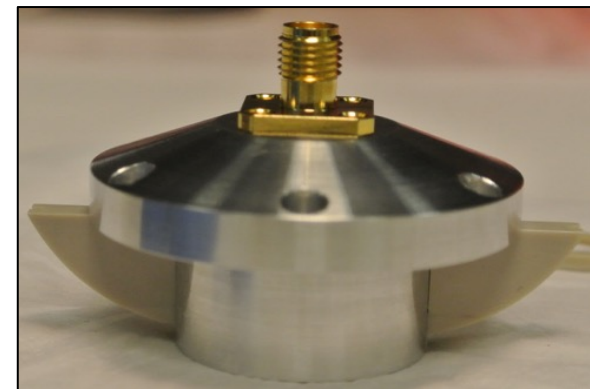
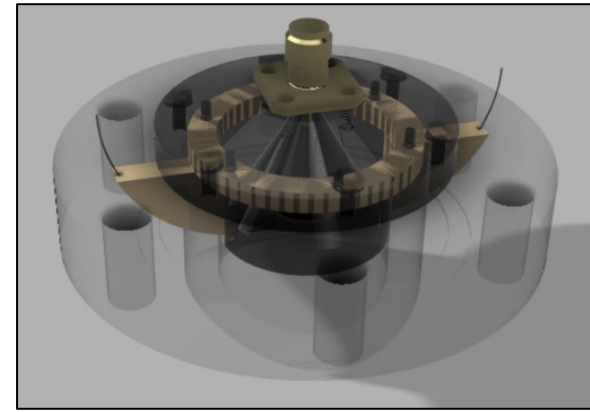


Miniaturisation



- Bulky side boxes replaced by more compact fibre-optic design and finally became totally fibre-coupled for the waveguide design.

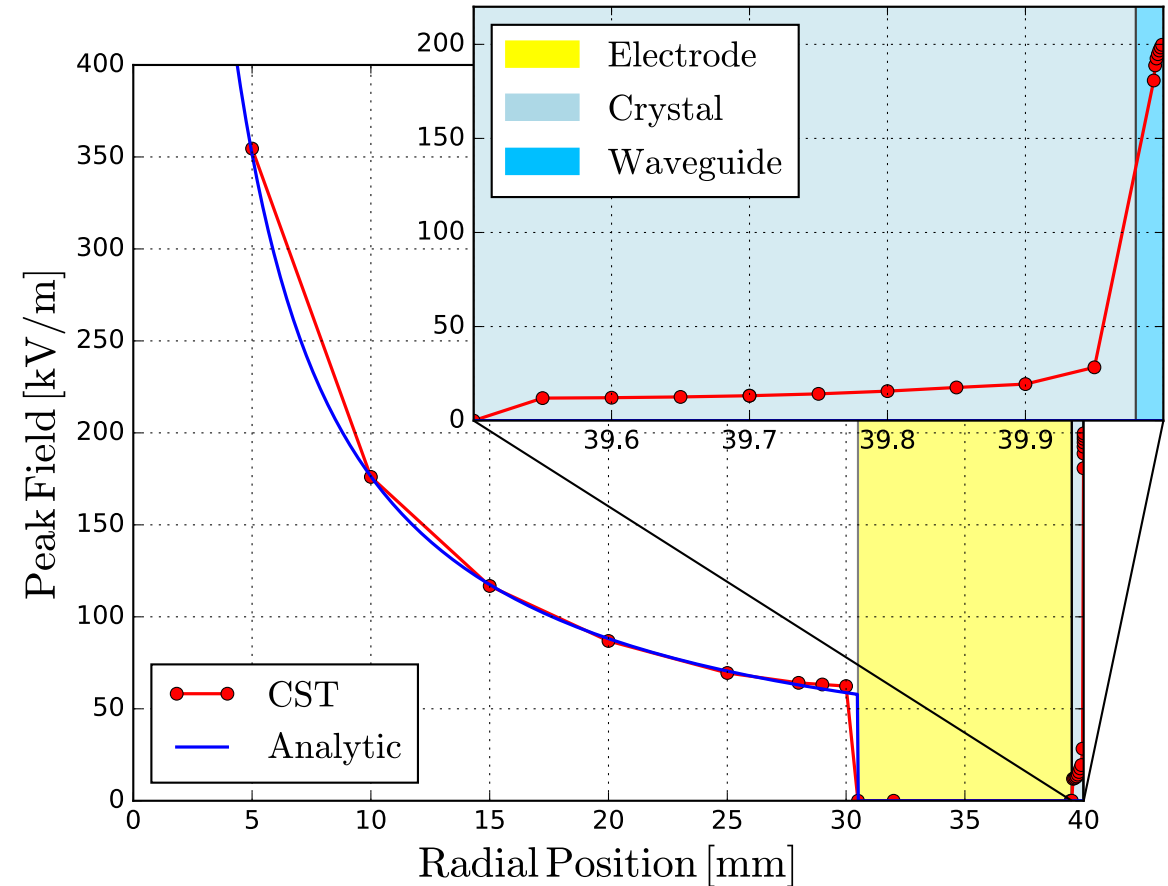
HL-LHC compatible waveguide design



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Simulated upgraded pick-up performance

- The EO-BPM prototype tested at the SPS (2016-2018) successfully delivered a weak proof-of-concept signal, while operating at a radial position of 66.5mm from the bunch ($<1\text{kV/m}$).
- The optimisation work (2018-2020) focused on an improved pickup design capable of generating a highly magnified image field replica of the Coulomb field within an optical waveguide.
- Therefore, the result is a highly optimised opto-mechanical design, fully fibred-coupled, capable to enhance the field up to $\sim 200\text{kV/m}$.



New design EO waveguide fabrication for beam tests

- Pickup development and bench tests at RHUL



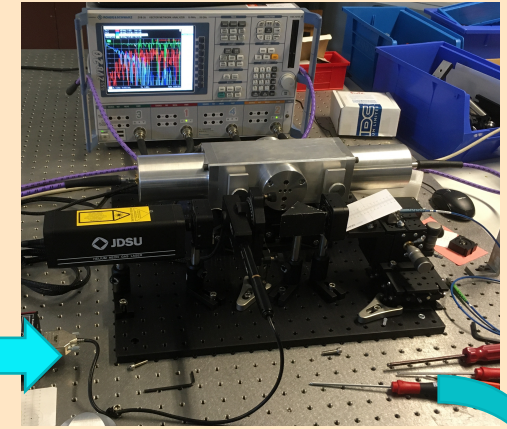
Waveguide fabrication in photonics industry



Inspection in new nanofabrication clean-room facility at RHUL



Precision manufacture & waveguide integration



Bench tests on RF coaxial line / laser labs

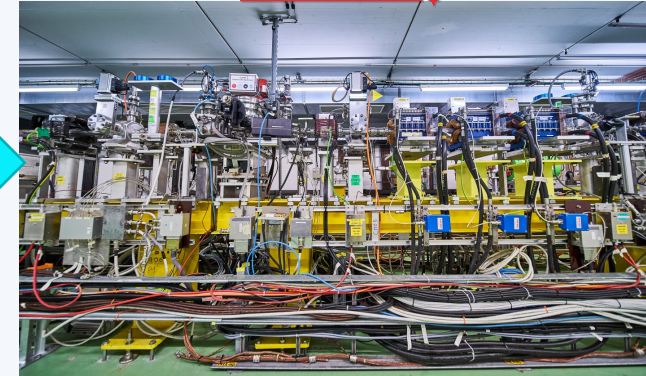
- Beam tests of waveguides at CERN

In collaboration with CERN BI, T. Lefevre et al



Beam test of waveguide signal

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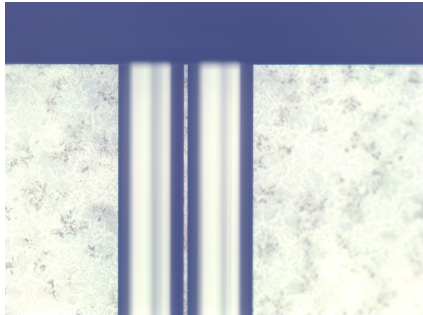


Beam test of waveguide bandwidth

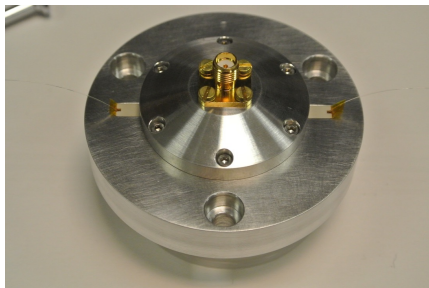


New EO waveguide design shipped to CERN for beam tests

- EM simulations of pick-up performed in CST to optimise field strength at waveguide.
- Partnered with UK industry to produce waveguides suitable for our custom design:

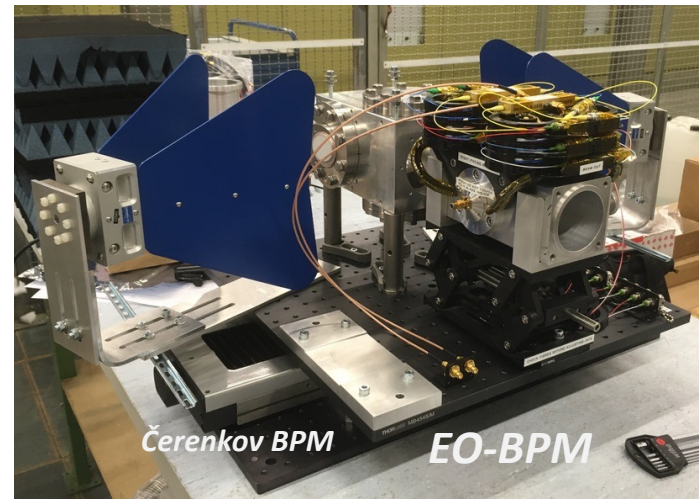
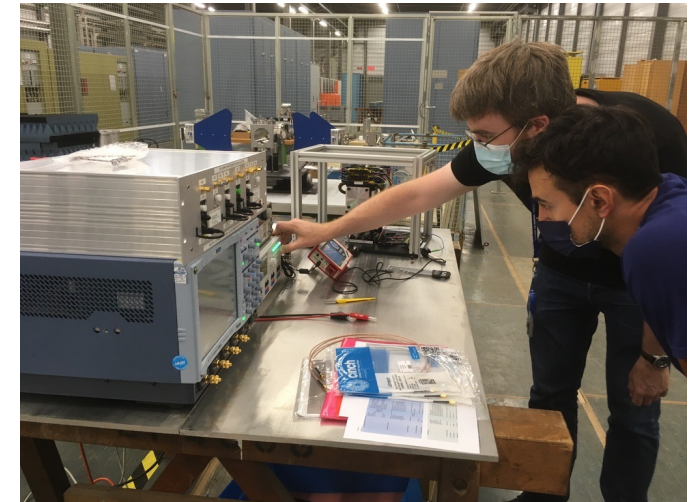
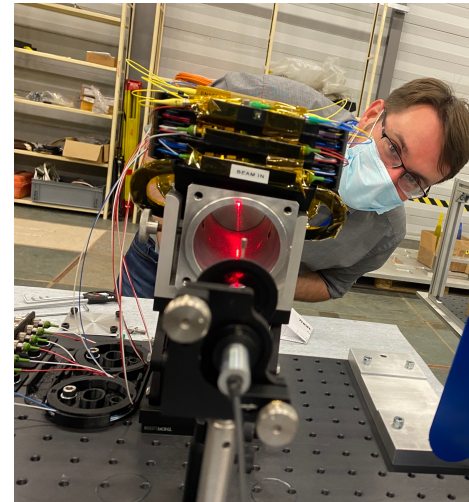
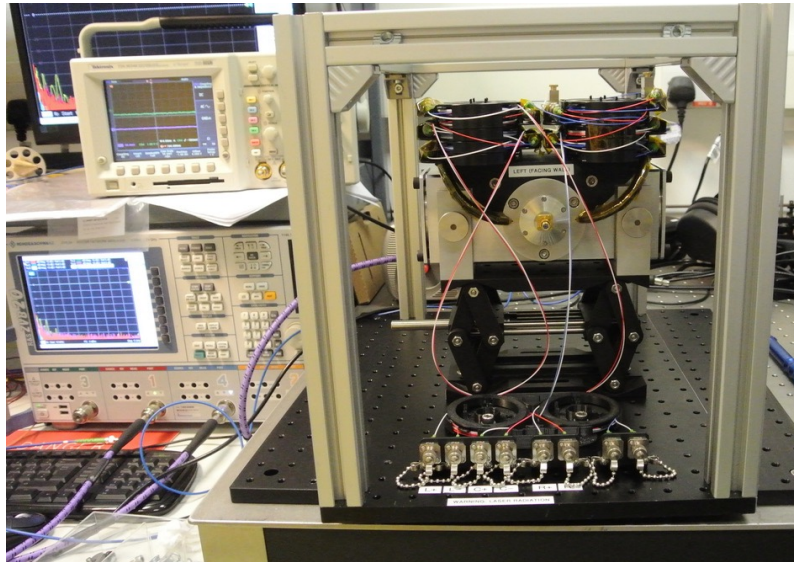


Optical inspection of waveguide in RHUL clean room



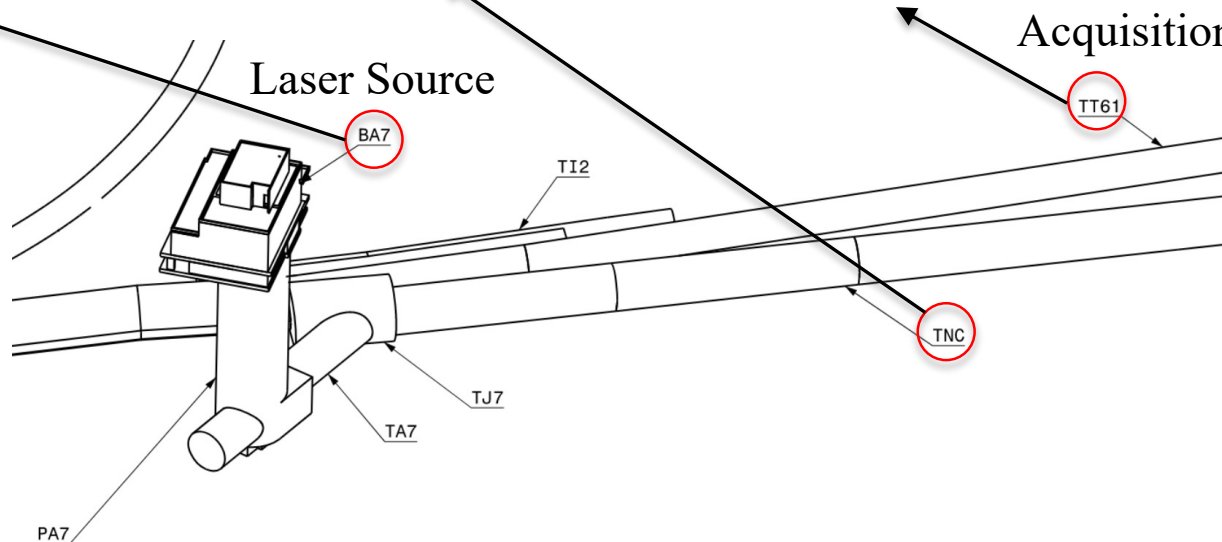
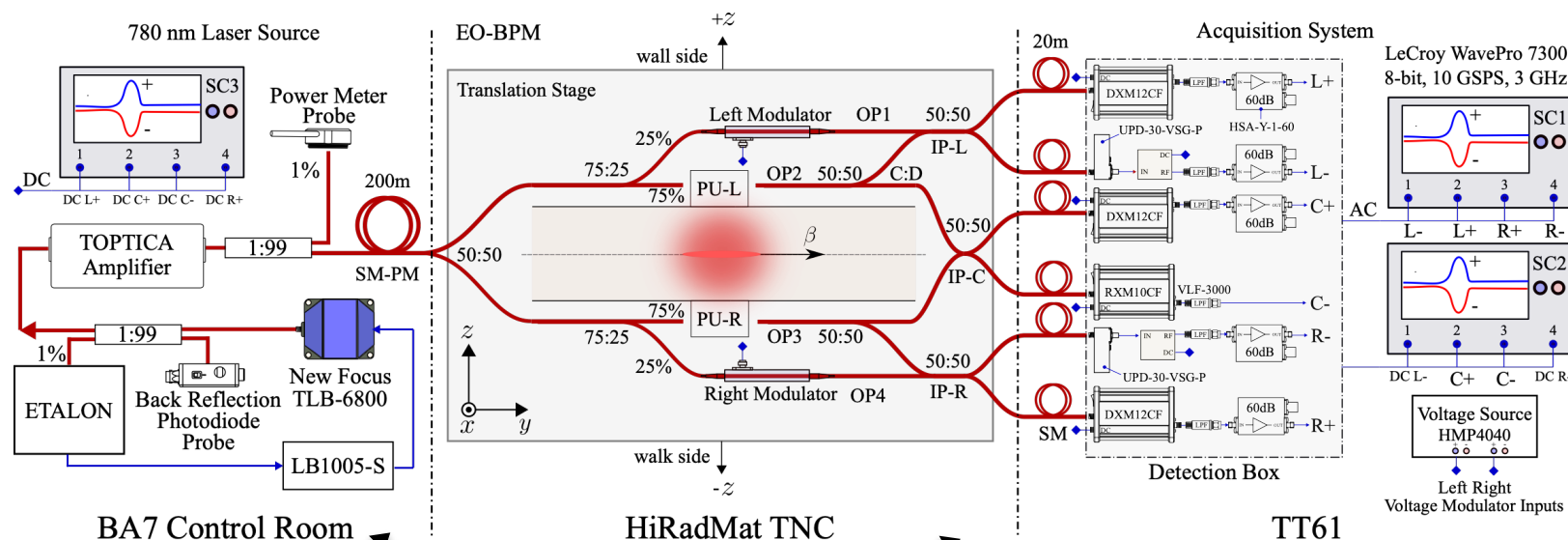
Compact fibre-coupled waveguide pick-up

EO-BPM manufacture & VNA tests at RHUL



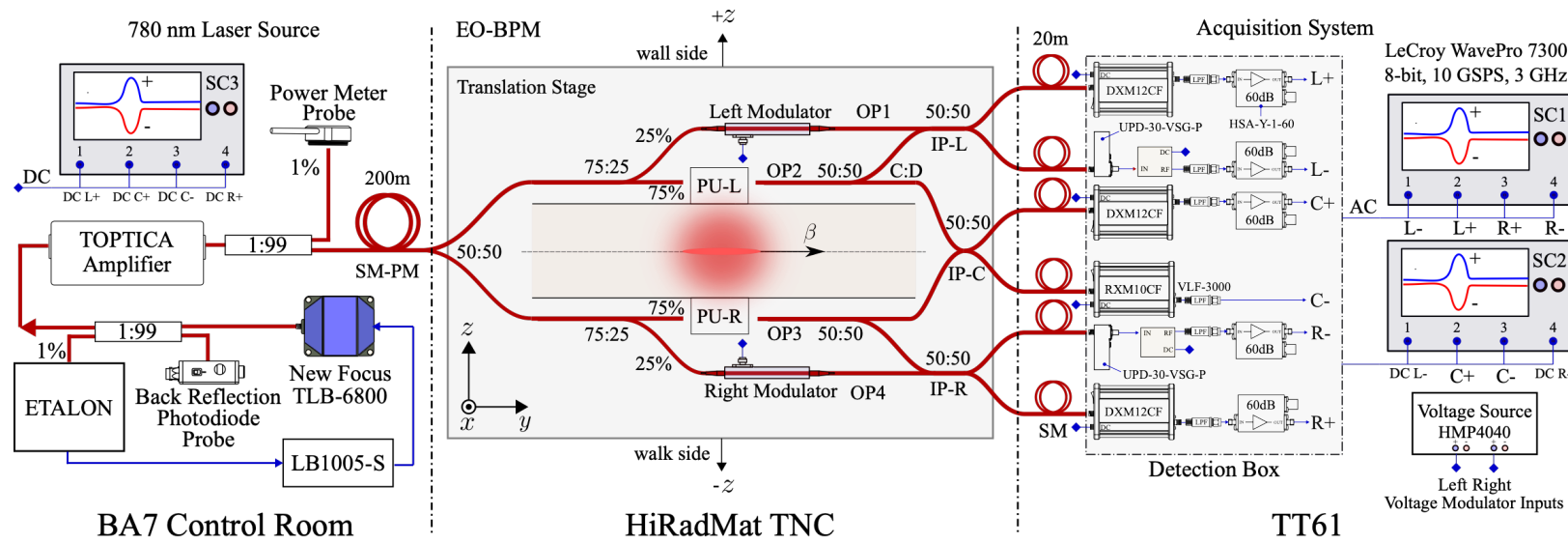
EO-BPM reception tested at CERN and laser-aligned with dielectric BPM on shared translation table

EO-BPM installation in HiRadMat facility

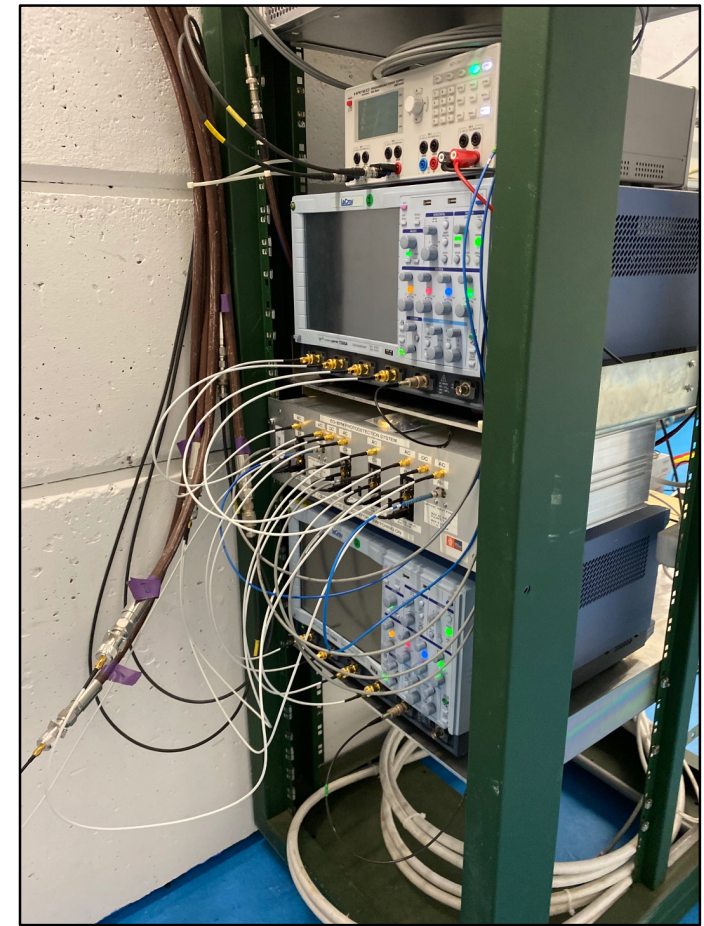


- SPS extraction line:
 - 1.5ns proton bunches.

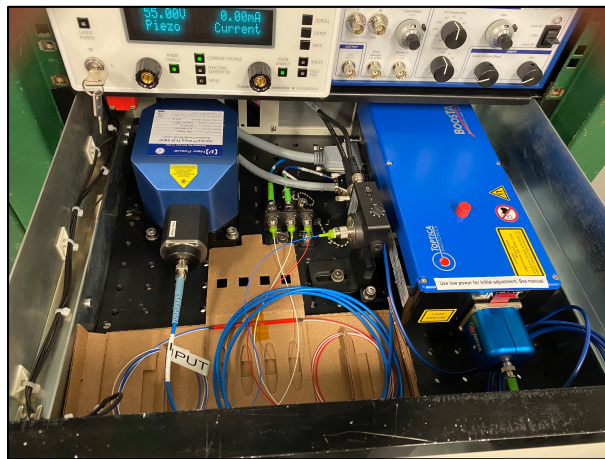
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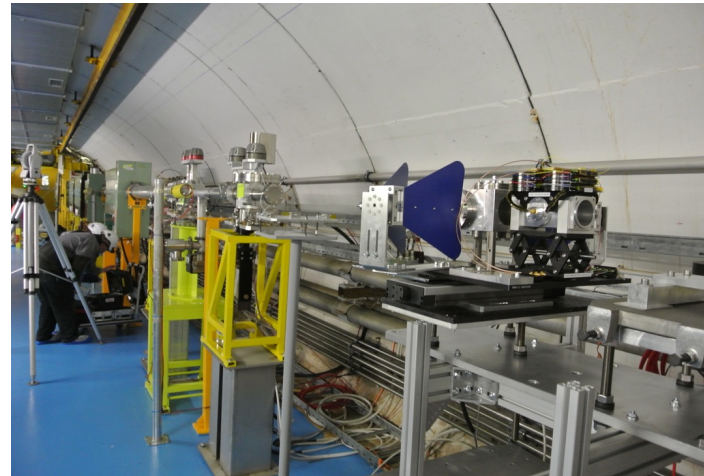
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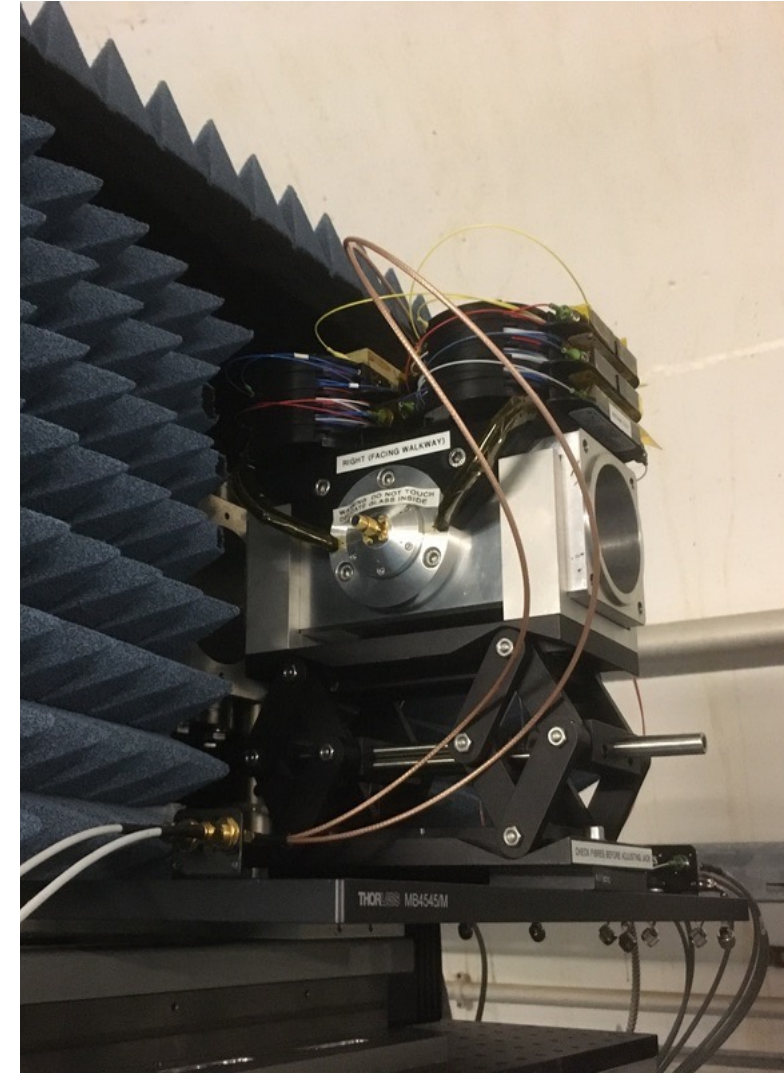
780nm laser source in BA7



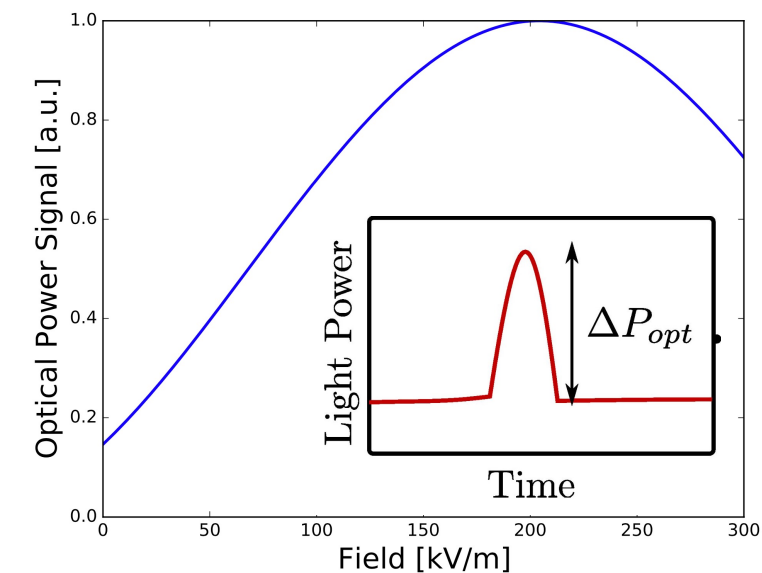
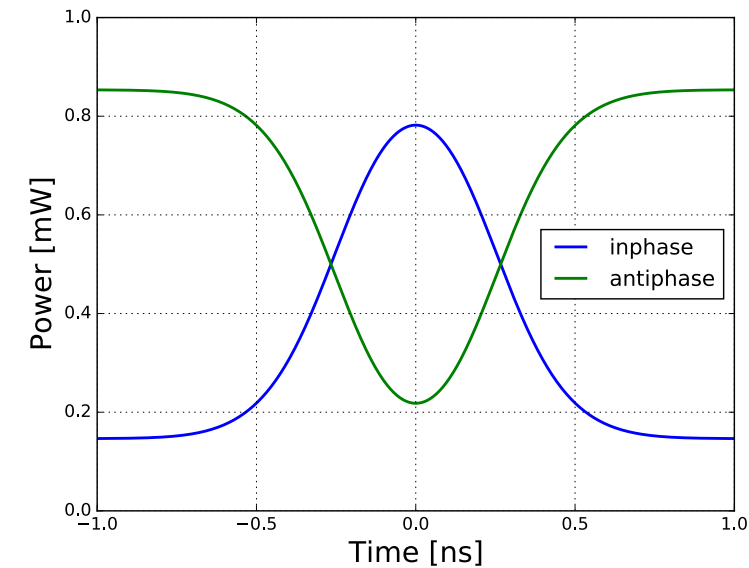
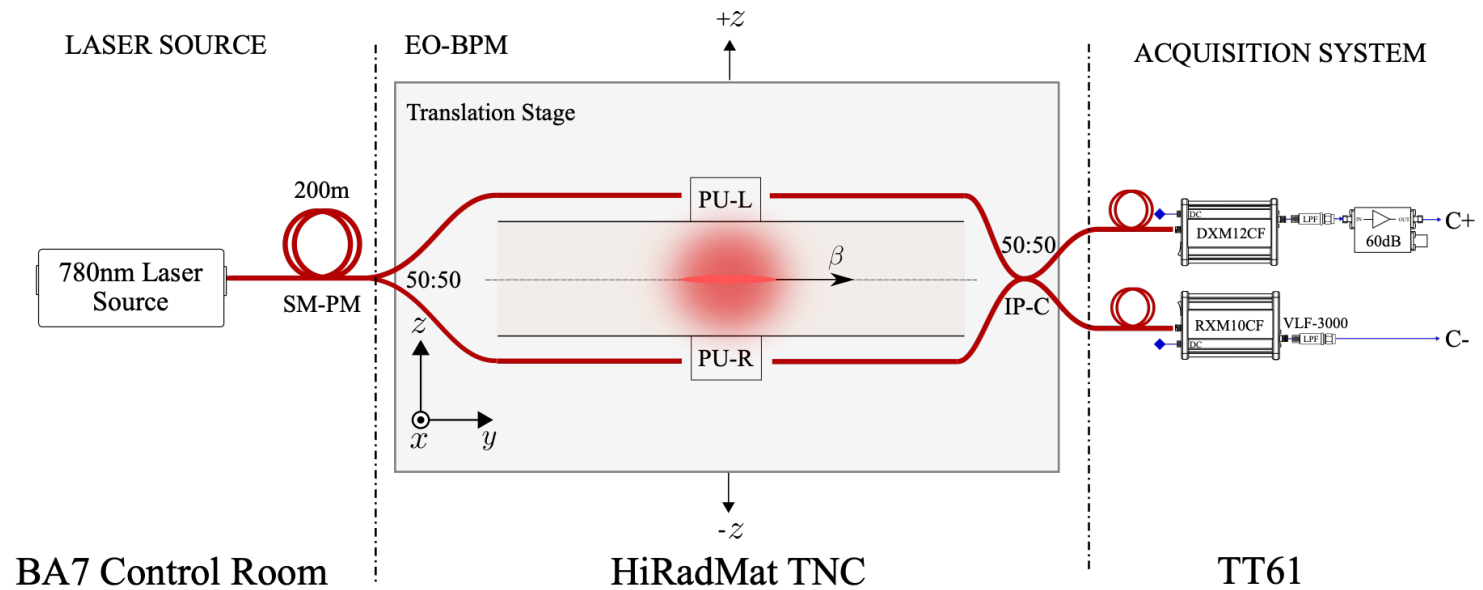
EO-BPM at HiRadMat extraction line



EO-BPM installation in HiRadMat facility



Transverse resolution studies at HiRadMat



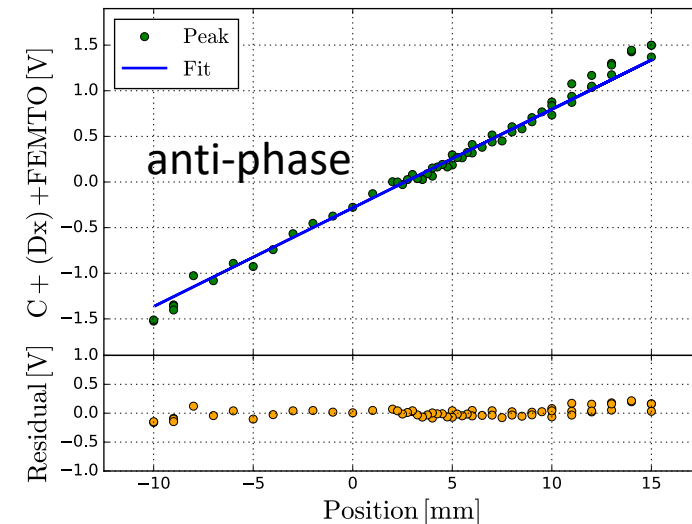
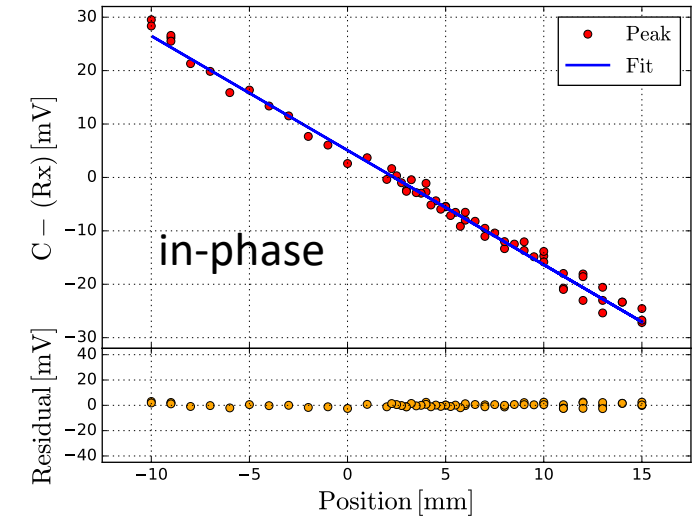
- x3 8-bit LeCroy scope
- x3 DXM12CF + 1GHz-60dB FEMTO HSA-Y-1-60
- x1 RXM10CF + 3GHz Filter
- x2 Alphas UPD-30-VSG-P



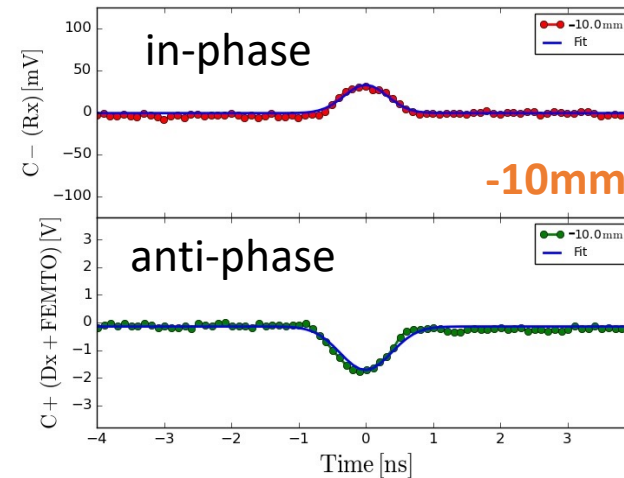
Successful first beam test at HiRadMat

- Waveguide design enabled **first single-shot measurements of each passing bunch**.
- EO-BPM also **sensitive to low intensity bunches**.
- Laser scanning technique developed to **automate operation of electro-optic interferometer**.
- Translation of EO-BPM across the HiRadMat extraction line: **first bunch by bunch position measurements**:
- Campaign extended to 3 run periods.

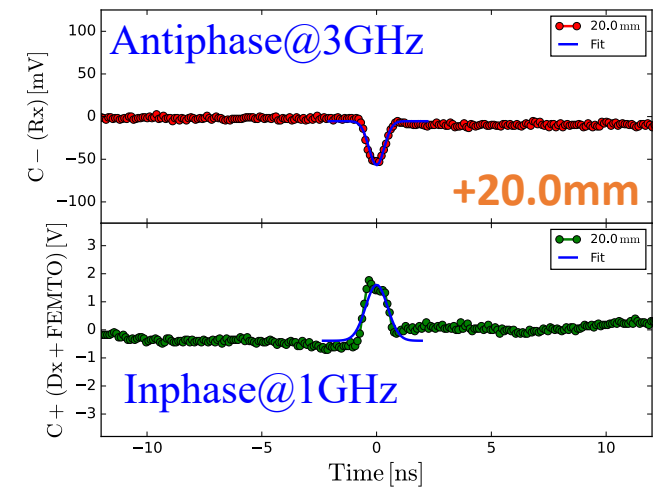
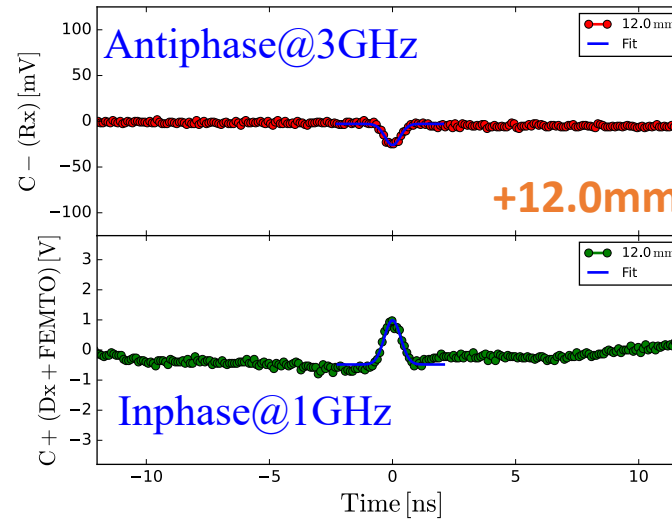
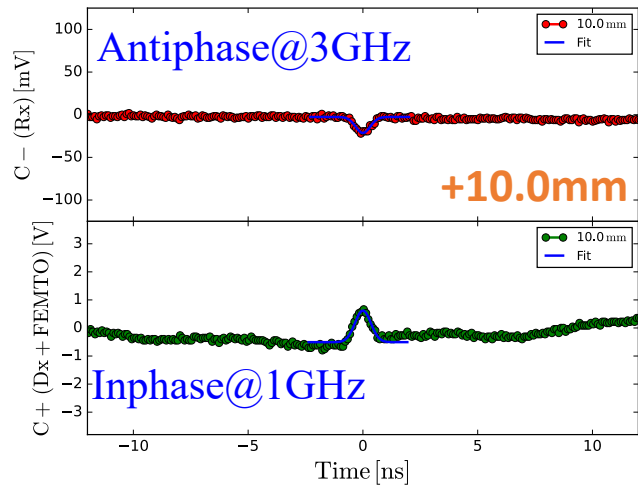
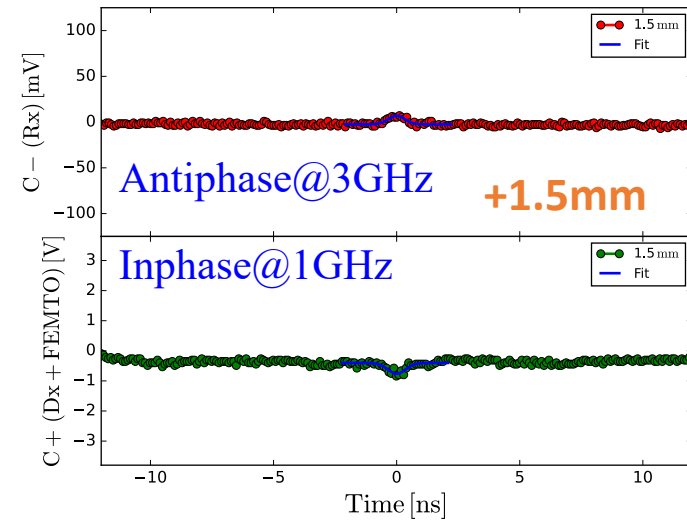
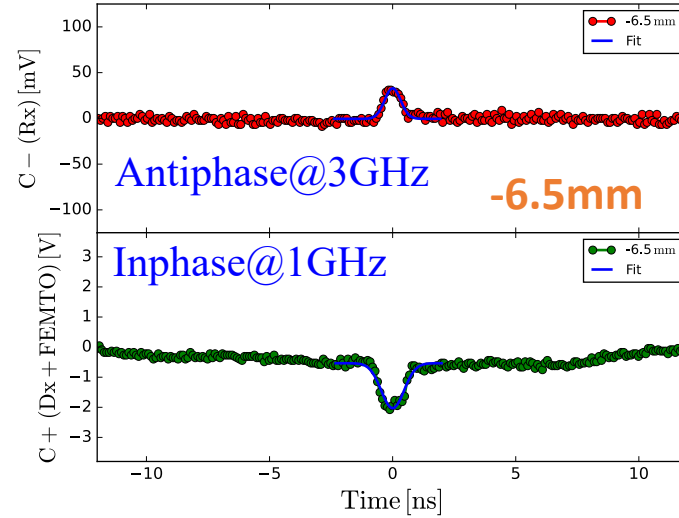
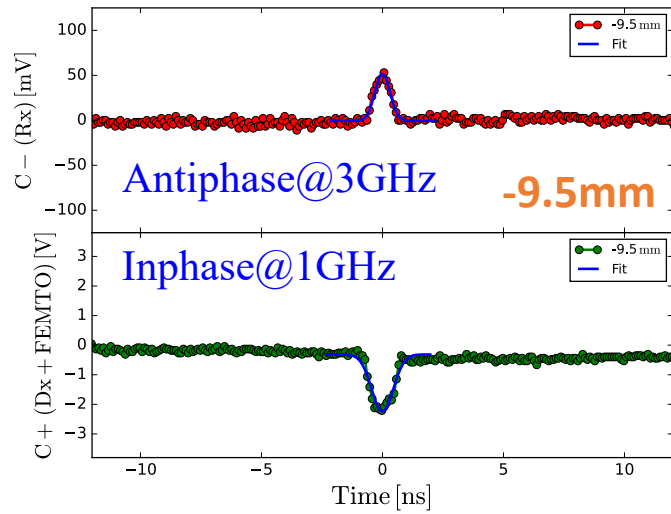
Measured at relatively low proton bunch charge: 7.7×10^{10}



Typical single-shot signals

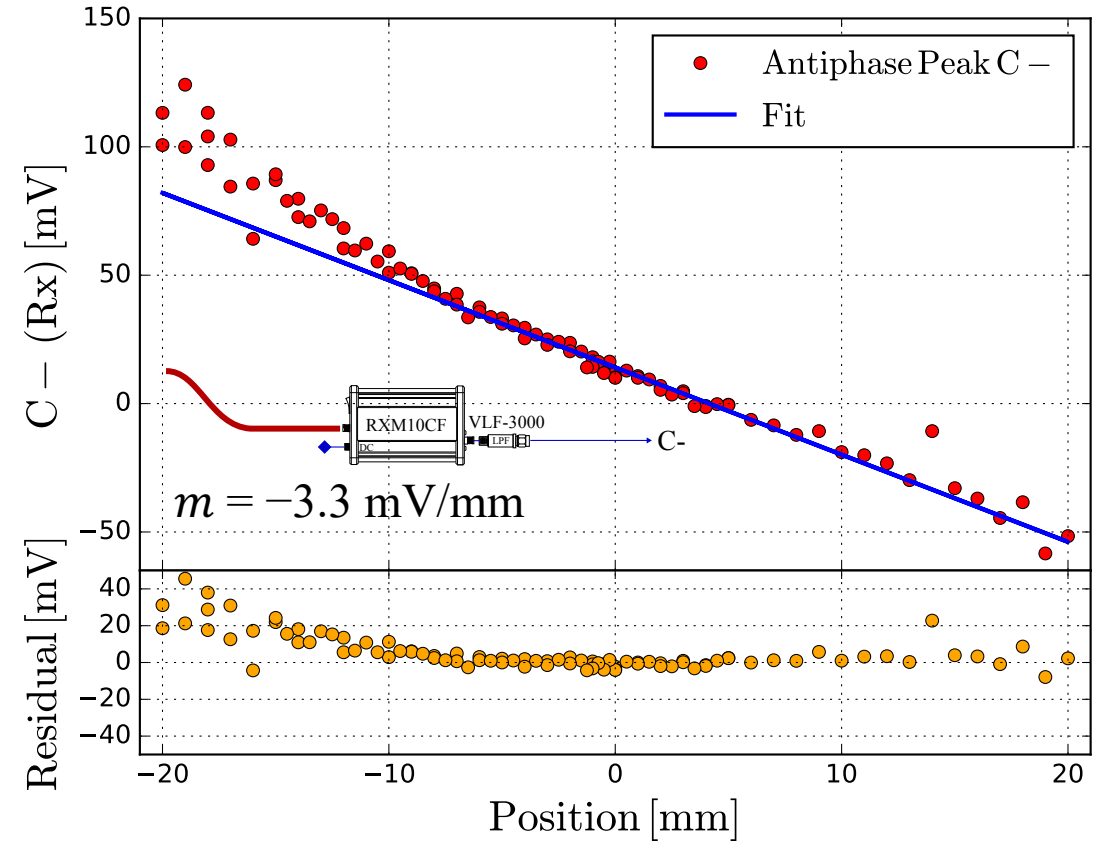
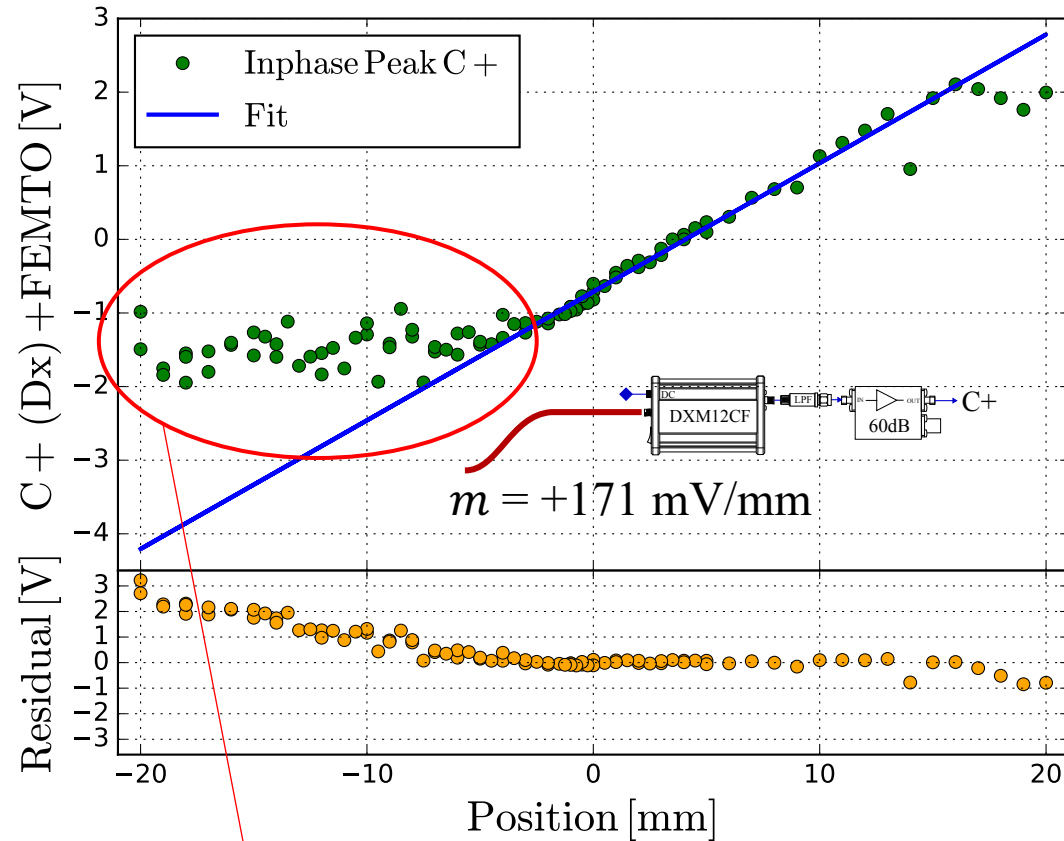


Transverse displacement, single-shots



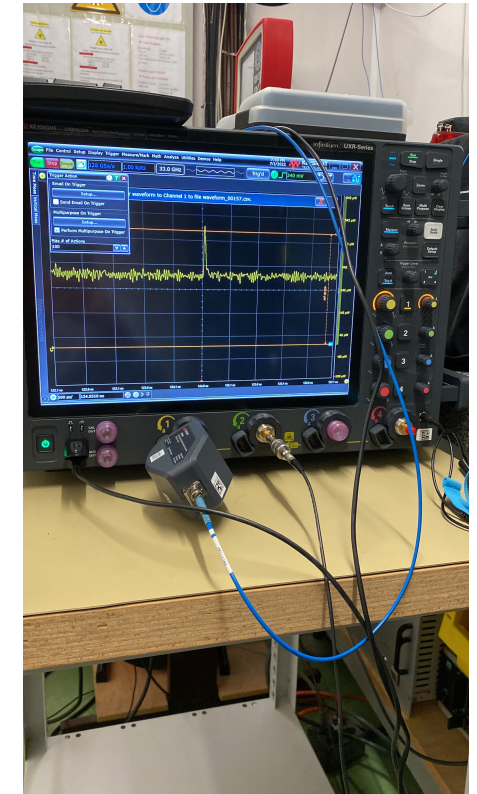
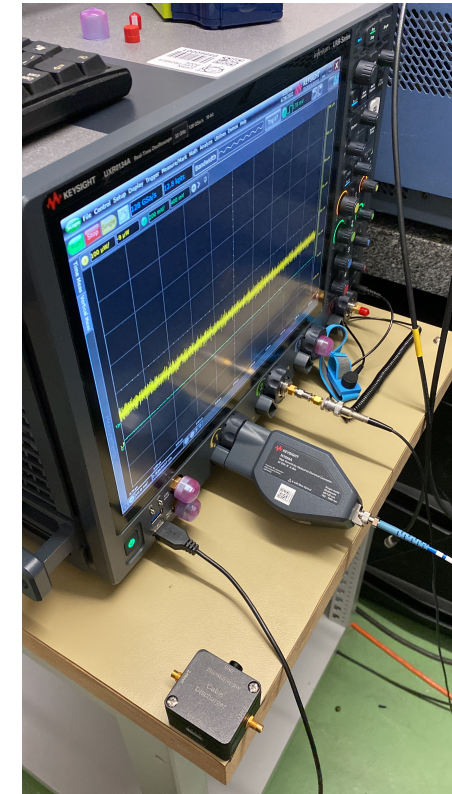
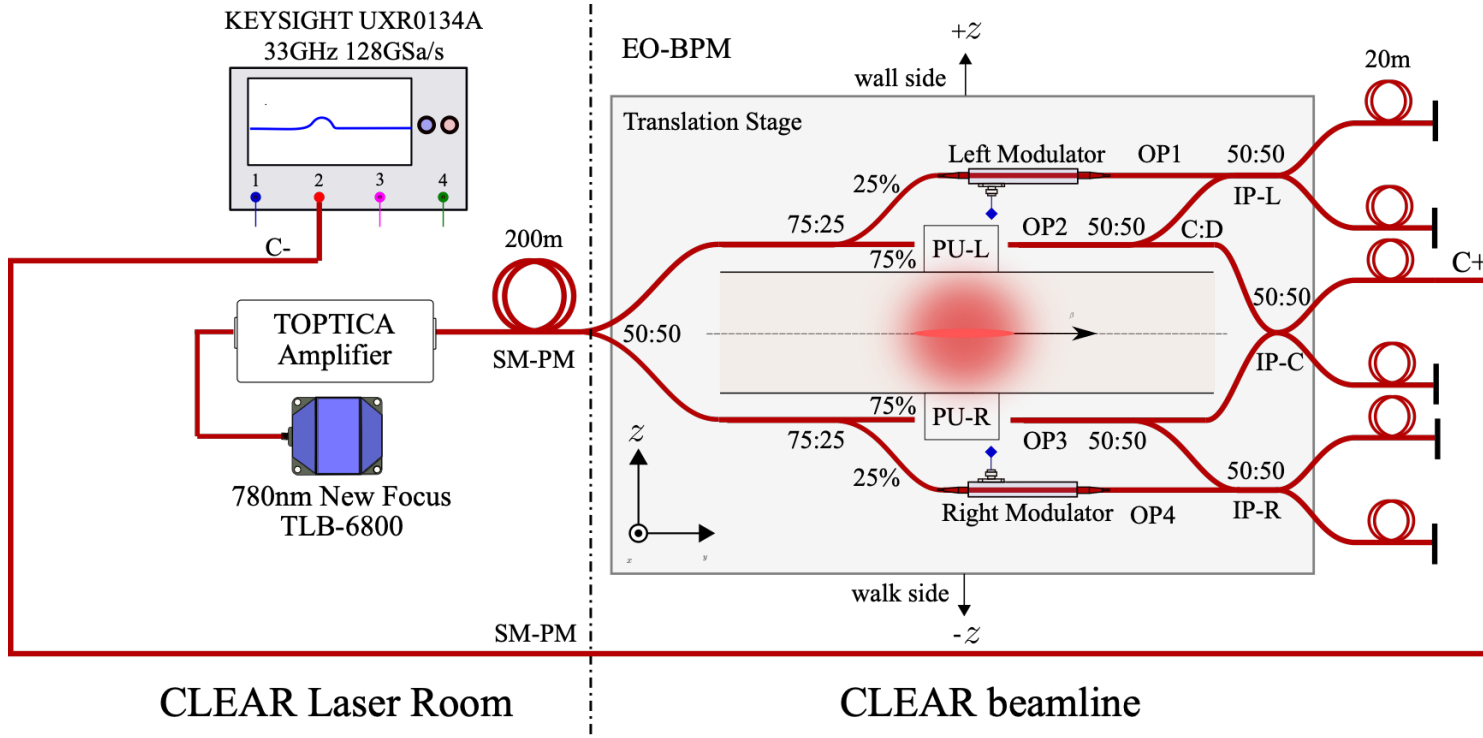
Measured at close to nominal proton bunch charge: 1.05×10^{11}

Transverse single-shot bunch resolution



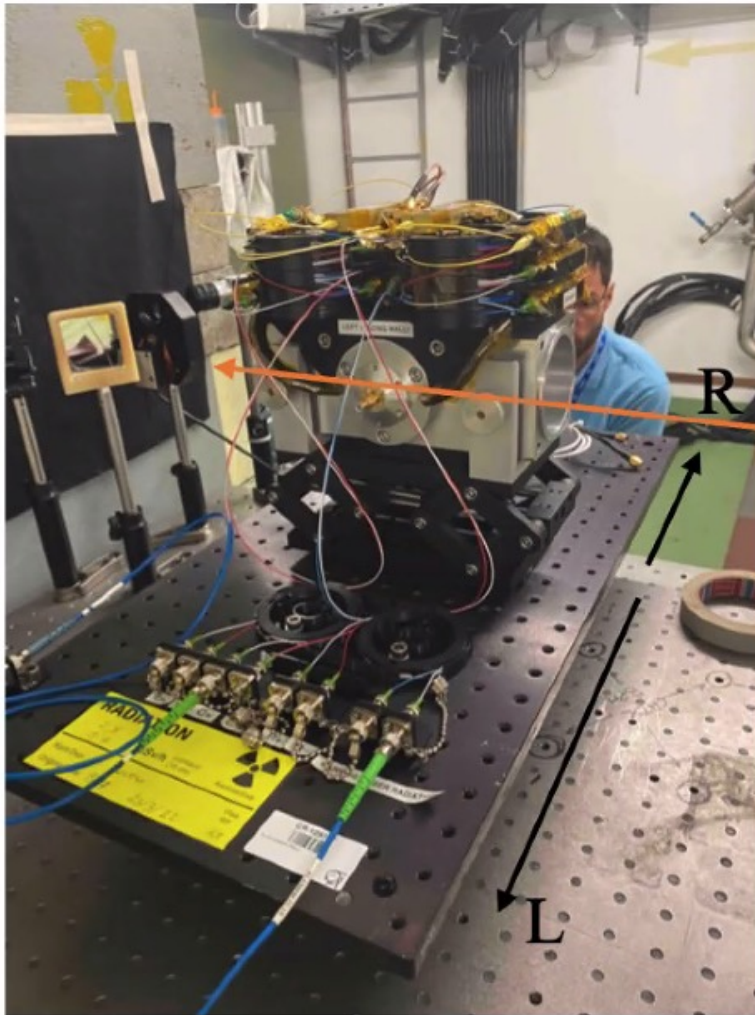
- $Dx + FEMTO$ saturates for large signals, $< -2V$.
- Opposite sign gradients for in-phase and anti-phase, as expected

Bandwidth tests at CLEAR facility



- 5ps electron bunches
- Interferometric Common Mode measured at a single C+ channel using a 33GHz optical probe directly attached to a Keysight UXR series 33GHz scope.
- This scope allowed simultaneous detection of the DC working point baseline and the AC optical modulation on top.
- EO-BPM installed in the in-air section of the beamline on a translation stage to perform transverse beam measurements.

(*) <https://www.keysight.com/zz/en/products/oscilloscopes/infiniium-real-time-oscilloscopes/infiniium-uxr-series-oscilloscopes.html>

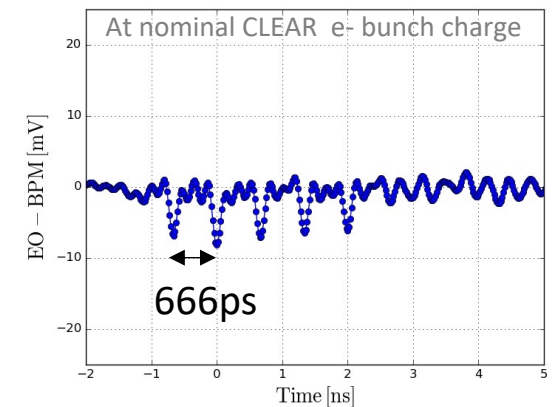


- EO-BPM installed in the CLEAR beamline to check sensitivity and *time resolution* to short electron bunches.

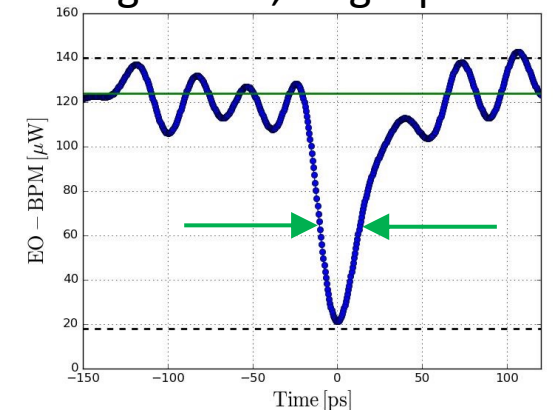
Preliminary analysis:

- Initial measurements of a train of 5 **electron bunch pulses spaced by 666ps (1.5GHz) were observable** at the photodetector, where the pulse width was limited by the bandwidth of the photodetection system.
- With an upgraded detector, the pulse width indicates the time resolution of EO pick-up is well **within the < 50 ps specification** required for the HL-LHC measurement of 1ns bunches.

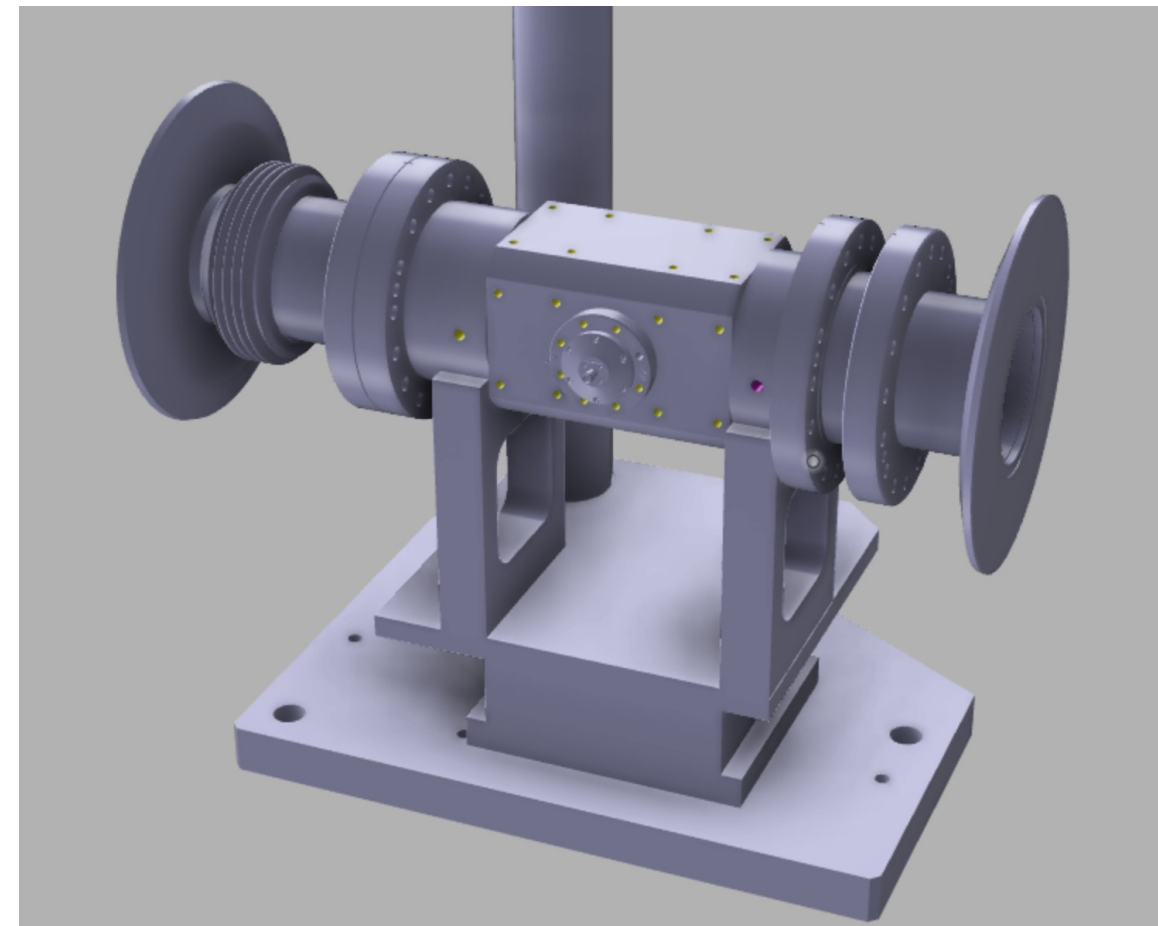
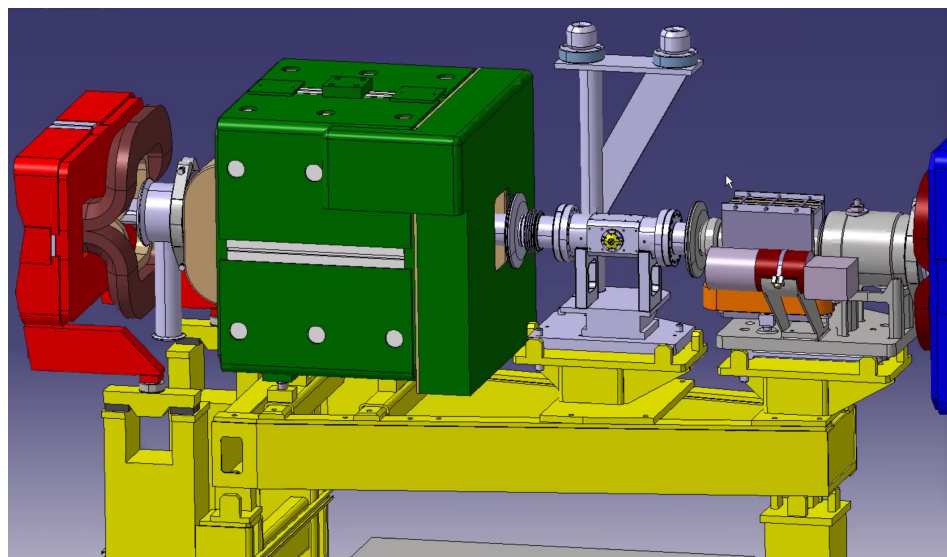
single shot, pulse train



single shot, single pulse



- HiRadMat EO-pick-up design incorporated into an in-vacuum design for the next phase of project.
- Excellent recent progress on CERN engineering drawings and vacuum brazing.
- **EO-BPM demonstrator** now being built for installation in **SPS** and operation in Run 3.





- First successful electro-optic transverse displacement measurements of **single-shot bunches**, using for first time the novel “common mode” **optical *difference detection***.
- **Signal strength** has been **significantly enhanced** by an **in-fibre, EO waveguide design**, which shows promise for further improvements in the transverse resolution.
- The new electro-optical button, incorporating the waveguide, shows a time response $<50\text{ps}$, which is at the expected limit of the design and acquisition system.
- Further improvements in the bandwidth of the detection system are anticipated for the future prototype in SPS.
- A fully vacuum compatible design is in production for beam tests at the SPS.

Thank you!

Thanks for your attention...and GO EO!



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