Improved Energy changes at the Linac Coherent Light Source

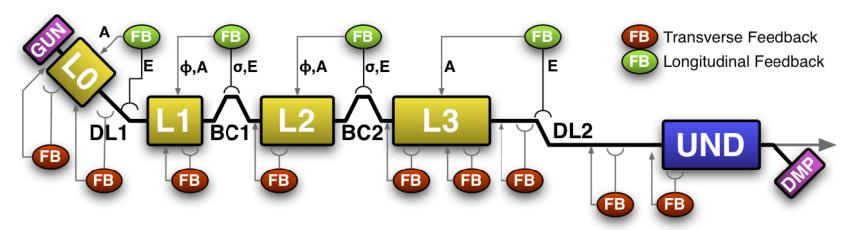
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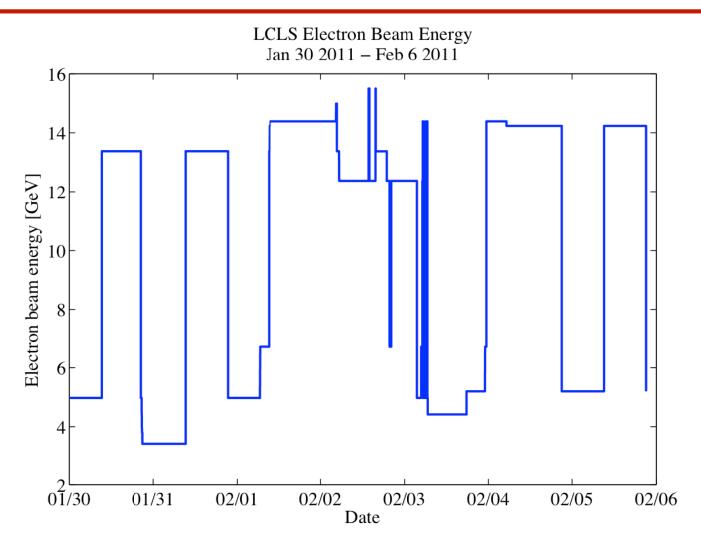
Overview of LCLS

- 2 km X-ray SASE FEL
- Beam energy 3.3 15 GeV (480 10k eV)
- Pulse duration 500 fs 1 fs
- ☑ Controls: EPICS, Matlab, XAL, SLC legacy



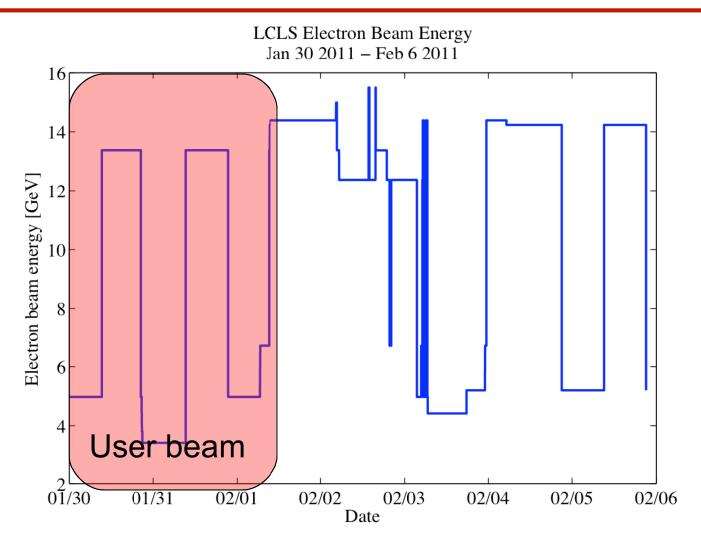






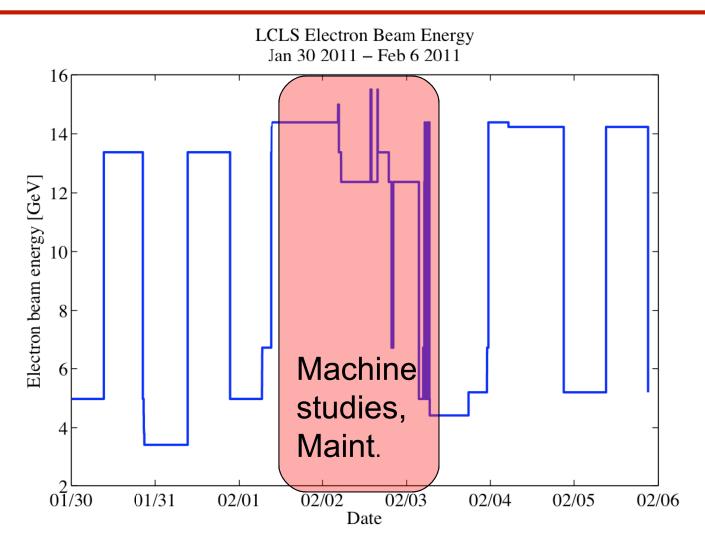






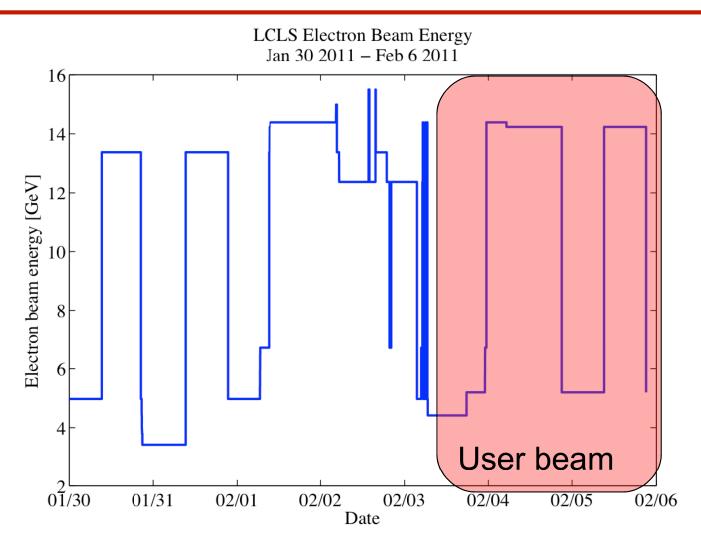








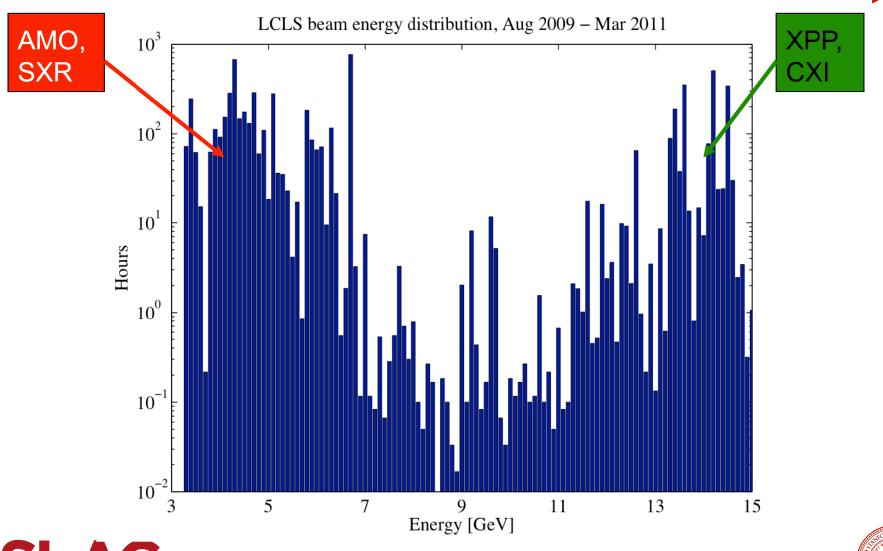








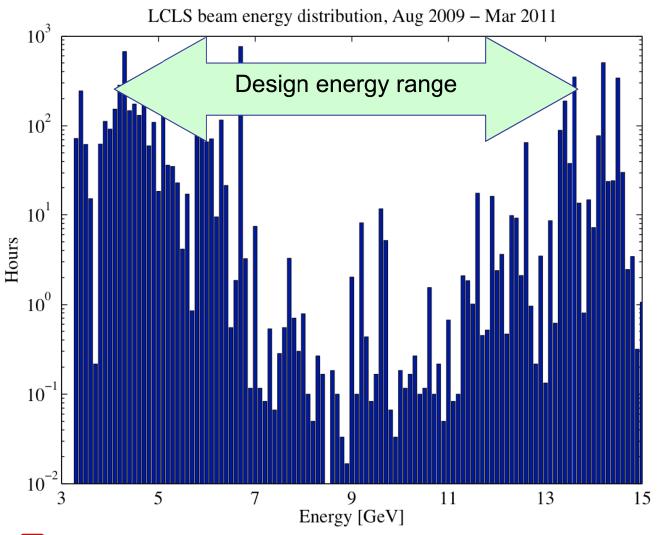
Energy history at LCLS







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Early energy changes – not so good

- ☑ Jan 16, 2009 1st successful energy change
 - 13.64 GeV -> 10 GeV, 4 hours
- Subsequent energy changes painful
 - Ops follow written procedure
 - 13 steps, 11 different pieces of software
 - 20 minutes 2 hours
- Software implementations of procedure
 - Worked OK, not great



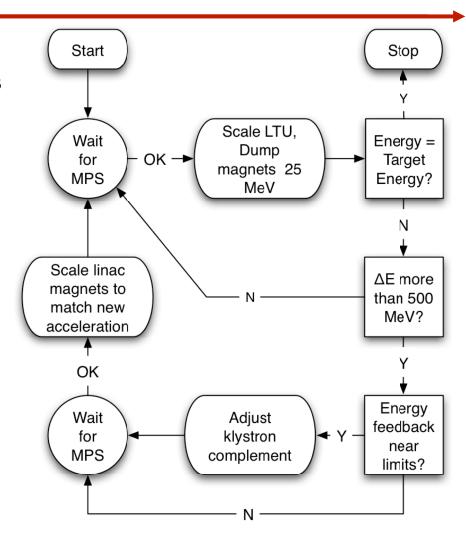


Energy ramp technique

 Turn up (or down) all the magnets after the linac

$$B_{new} = \frac{E_{new}}{E_0} B_0$$

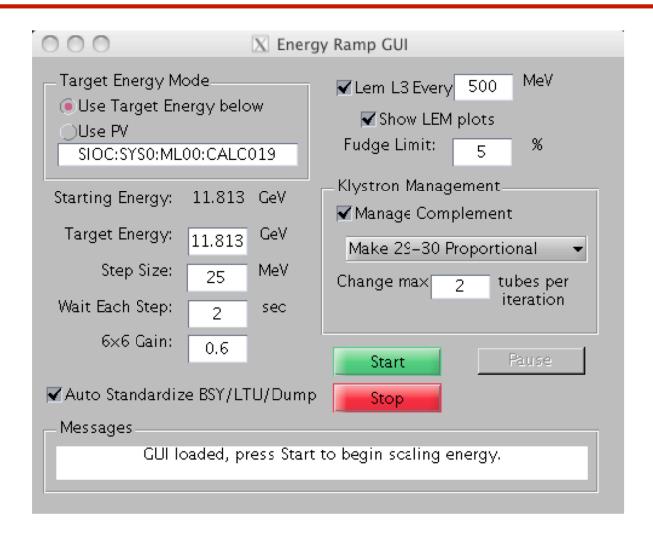
- Let the beam-based feedback correct the beam energy and steering
- Repeat until desired energy is reached
- Changes are "adiabatic"





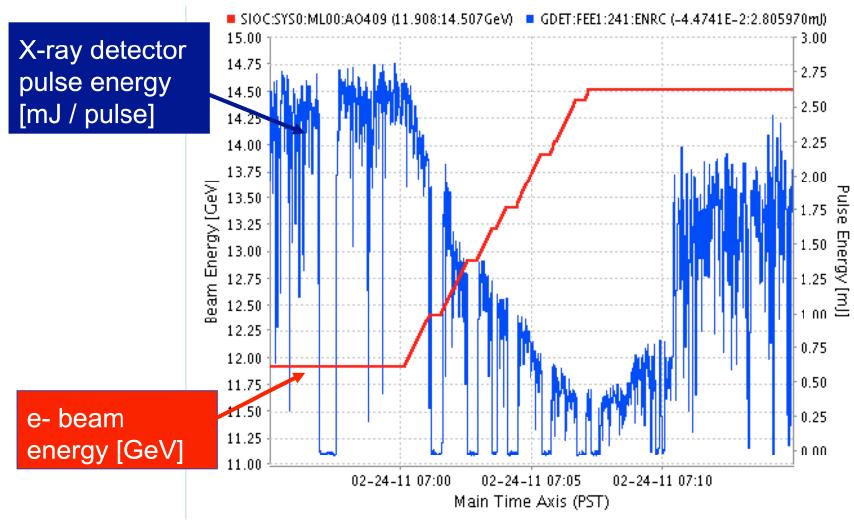


Energy ramp GUI





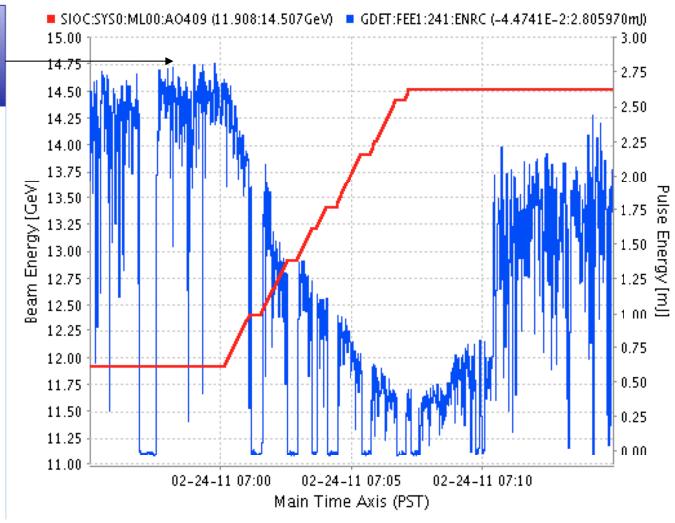








Request called in to control room

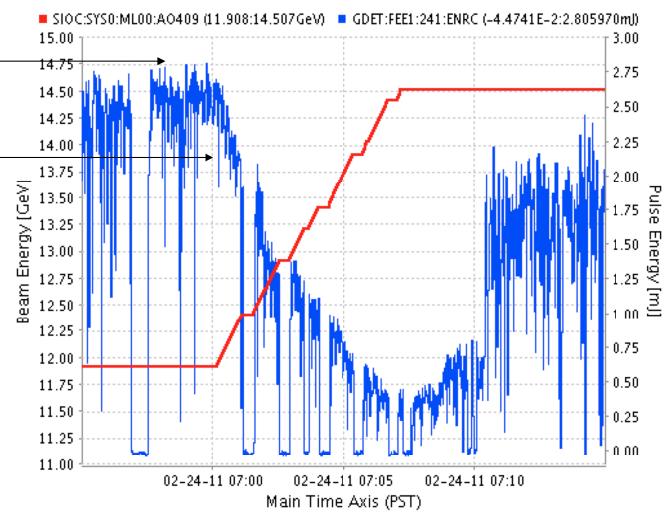






Request called in to control room

Ramp GUI started



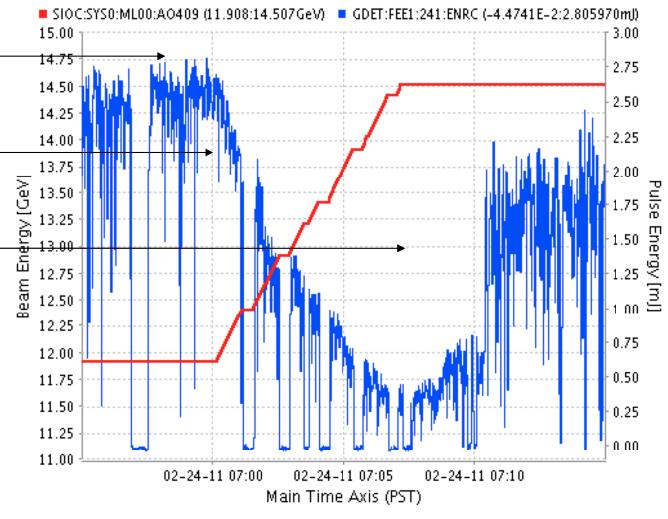




Request called in to control room

Ramp GUI started

Ramp GUI finished





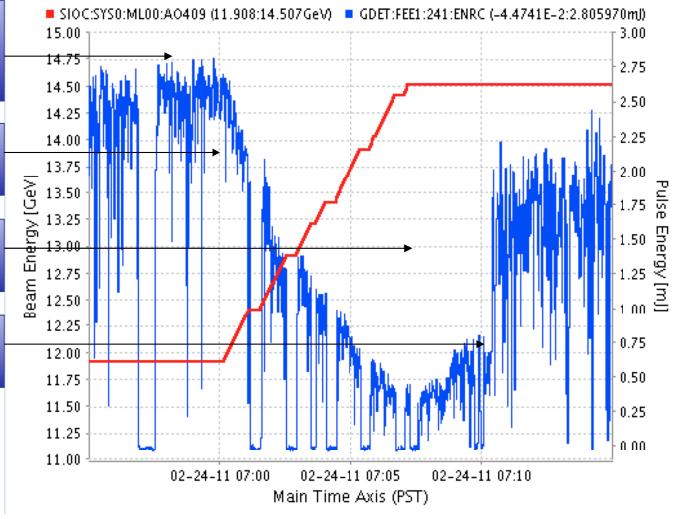




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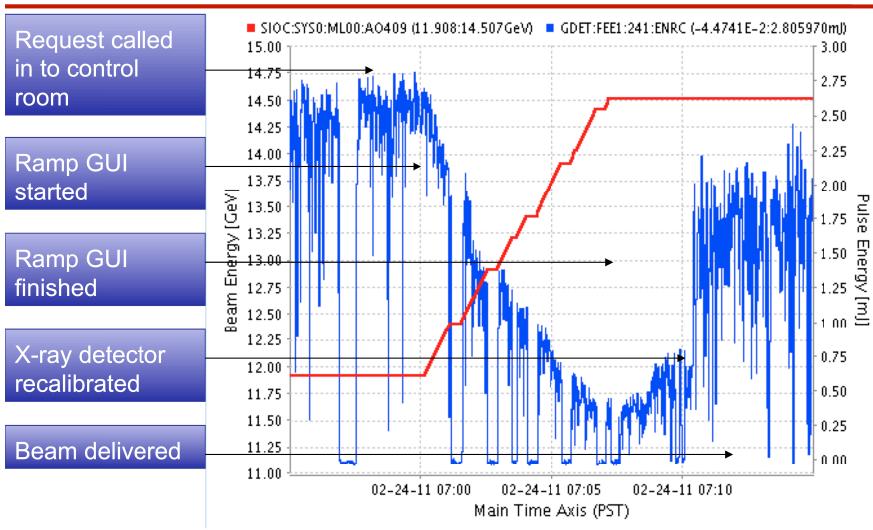
Ramp GUI finished

X-ray detector recalibrated



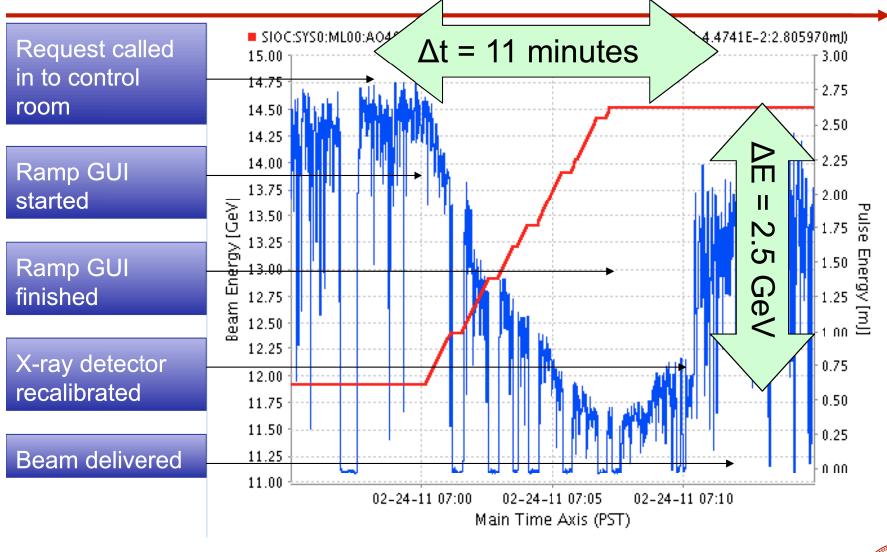












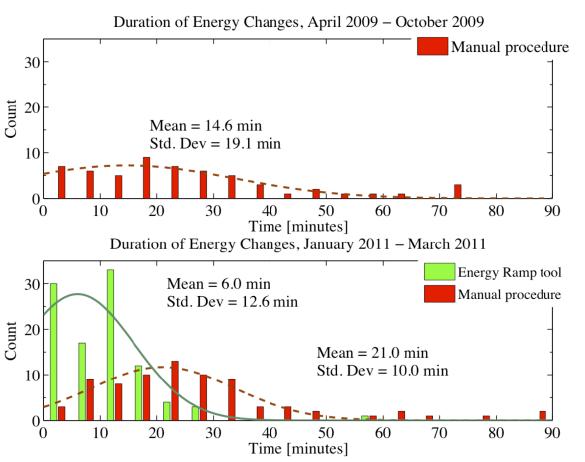




Time savings characterization



Use time stamps from operations logbook to assign duration to each energy change

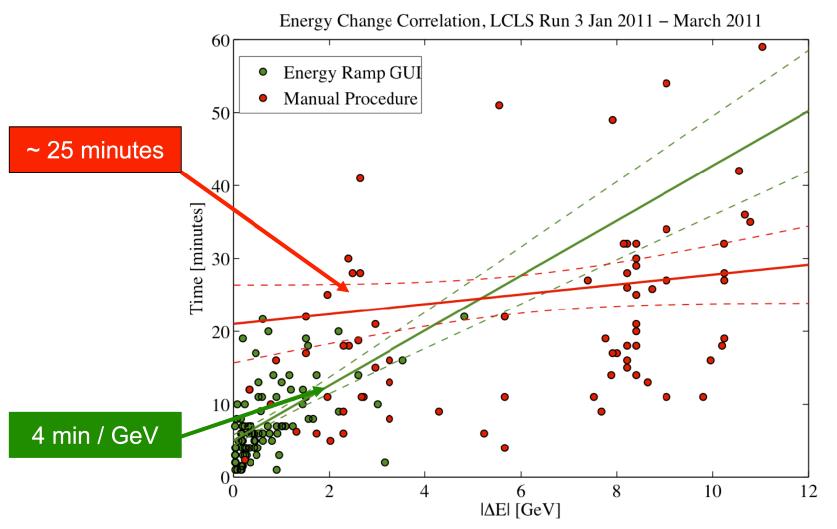








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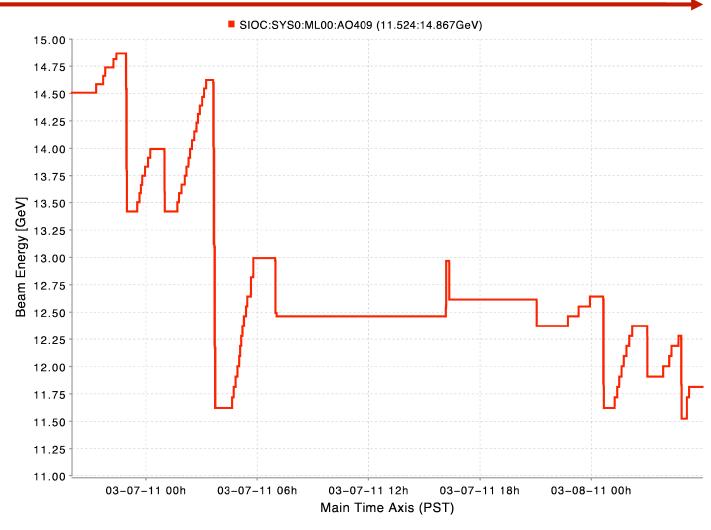




Energy scans

Quick energy changes enable fast scans!

Are phone calls really necessary?

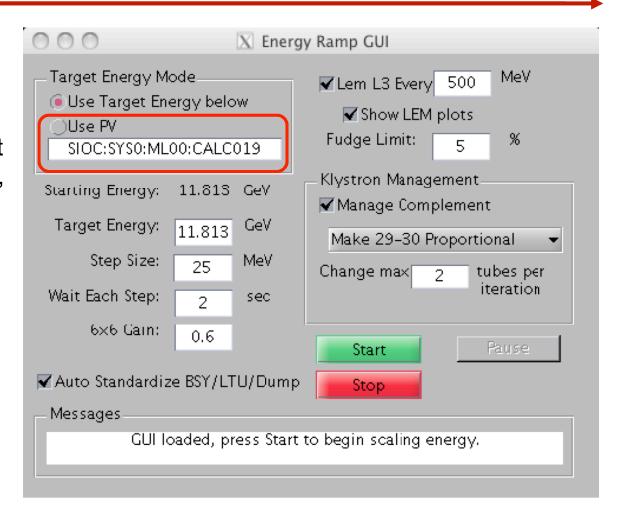






Energy scans – slaved to instruments

- PV tracking mode runs in infinite loop
- Treats arbitrary "target" PV as setpoint
- Allows correlation plot, other software to scan the machine energy

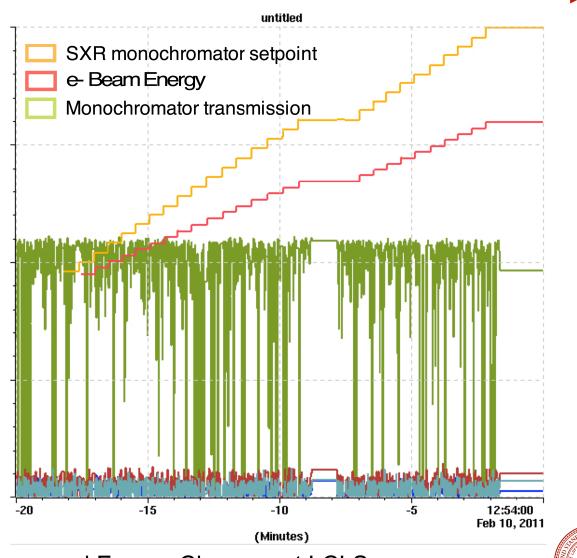






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- Hutch 2
 monochromator grating
 angle calibrated to
 photon energy
- Users enter desired photon energy into hutch DAQ system
- Grating moves, accelerator follows



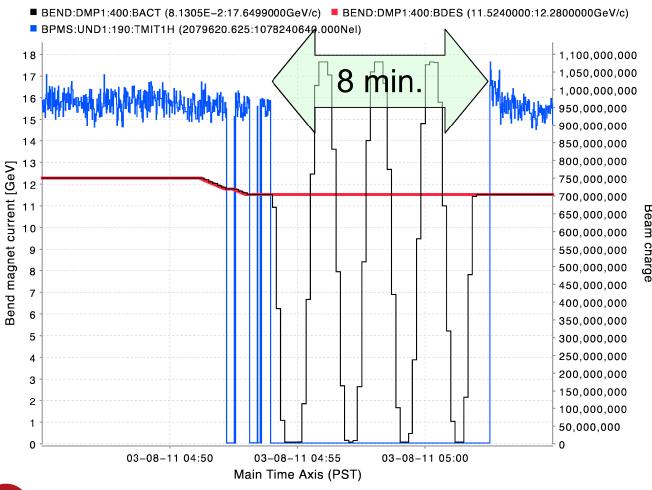






Time savings characterization

Subtract time spent for magnet hysteresis correction

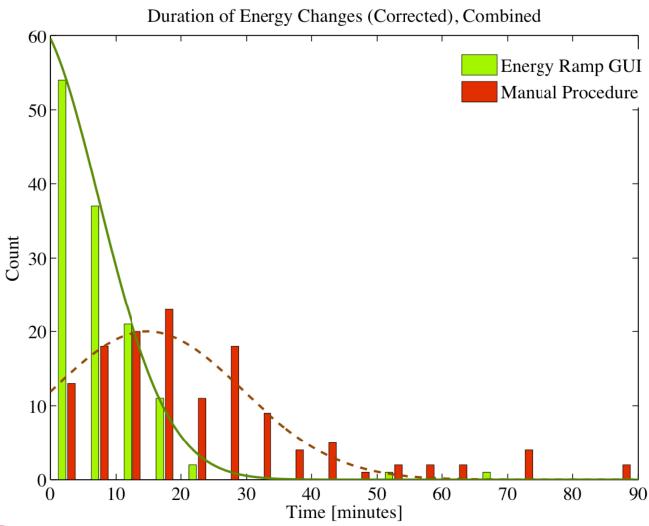








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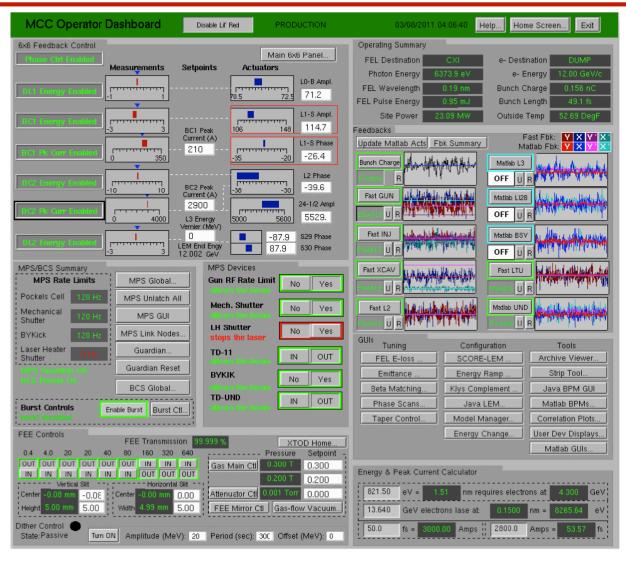








Other tools (dashboard)







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