



XFEL
X-Ray Free-Electron Laser

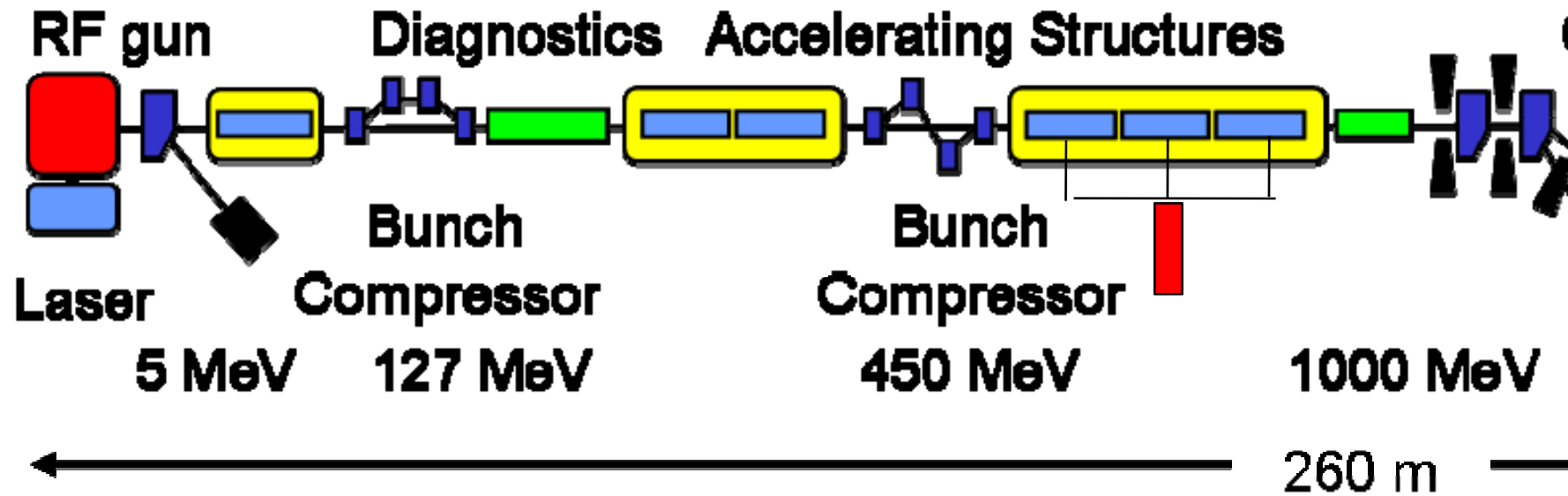
FLASH
Free-Electron Laser
in Hamburg

Introduction, 9mA program goals, schedule, constraints

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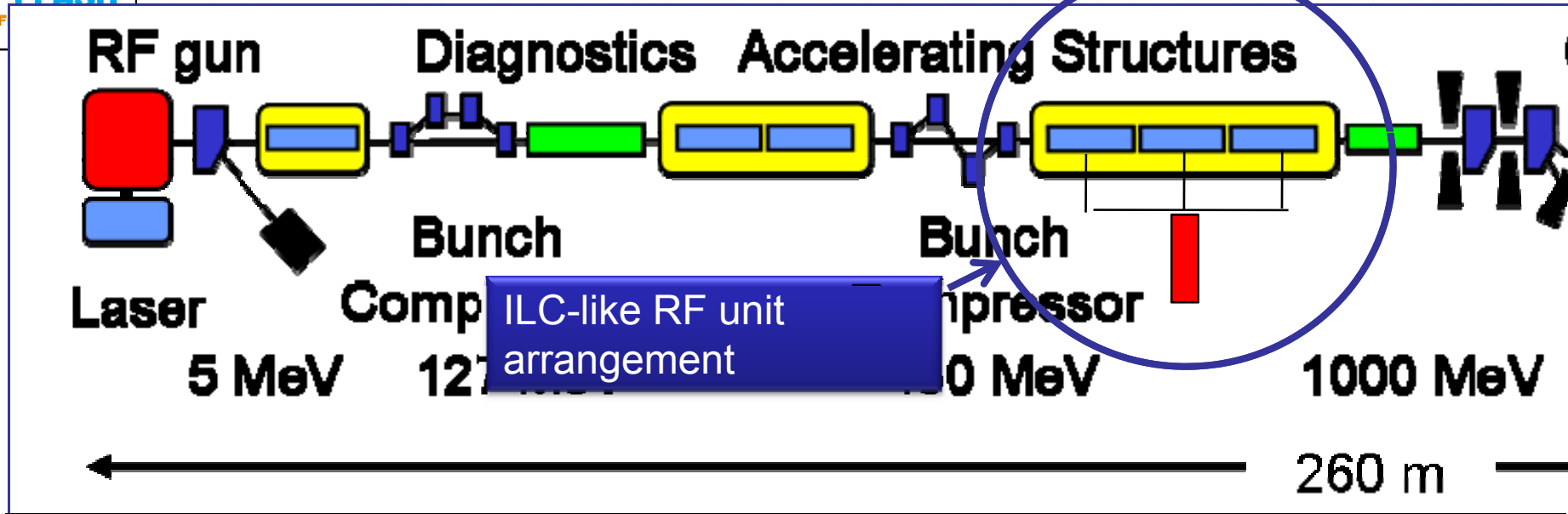
**9mA Experiment Mini-Workshop
16.01.2009**

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Primary Objectives

- **Long-pulse high beam-loading (9mA) demonstration**
 - 800 μ s pulse with 2400 bunches (3MHz)
 - 3nC per bunch
 - Beam energy $700 \text{ MeV} \leq E_{\text{beam}} \leq 1 \text{ GeV}$
- **Primary goals**
 - Demonstration of beam energy stability
 - Over extended period
 - Characterisation of energy stability limitations
 - Operations close to gradient limits
 - Quantification of control overhead
 - Minimum required klystron overhead for LLRF control
 - HOM absorber studies (cryo-load)
 - ...
- **Major challenge for FLASH !**
 - Pushes many current operational limits
 - Planning and preparation:

Primarily a
LLRF
experiment

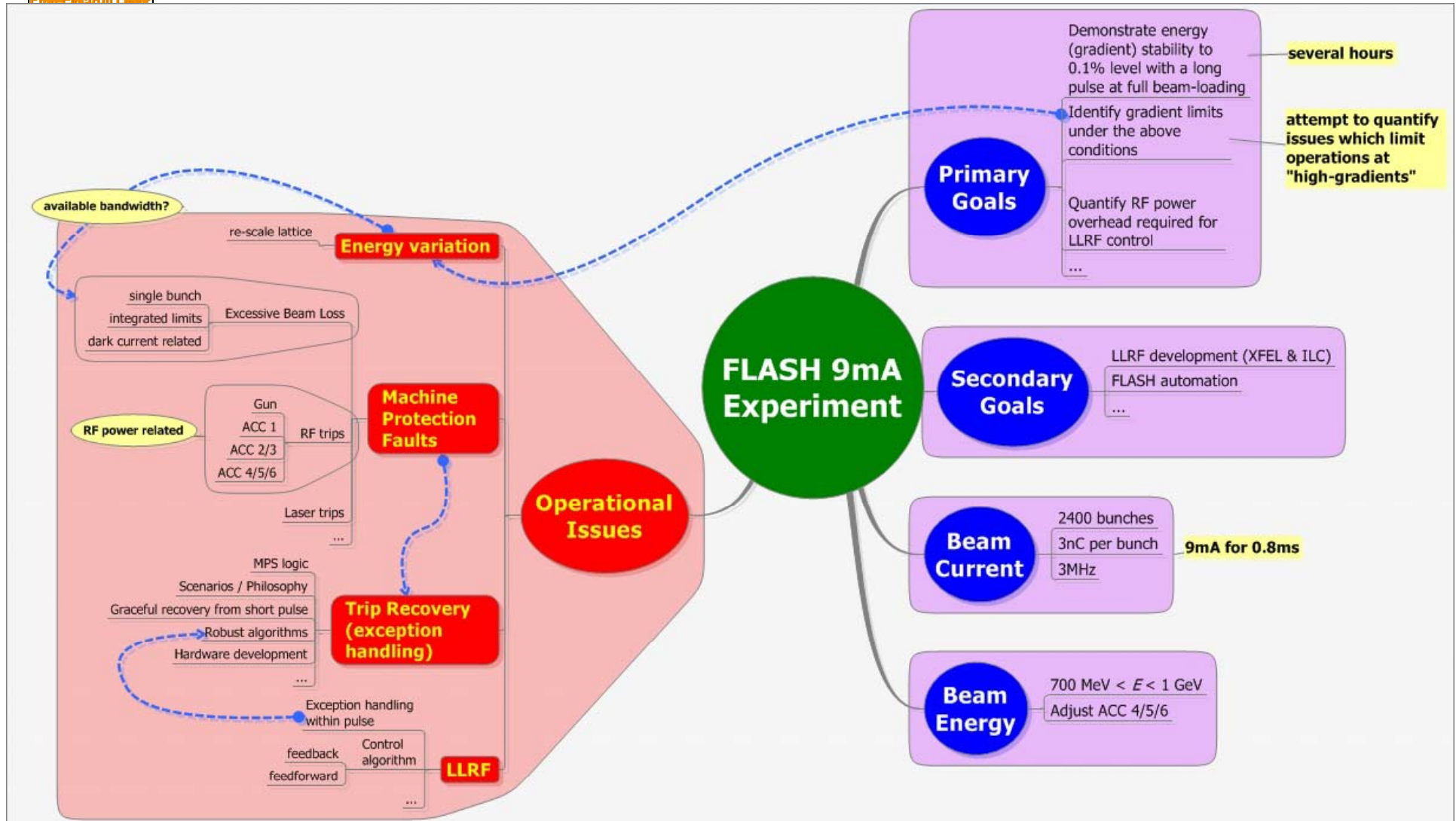


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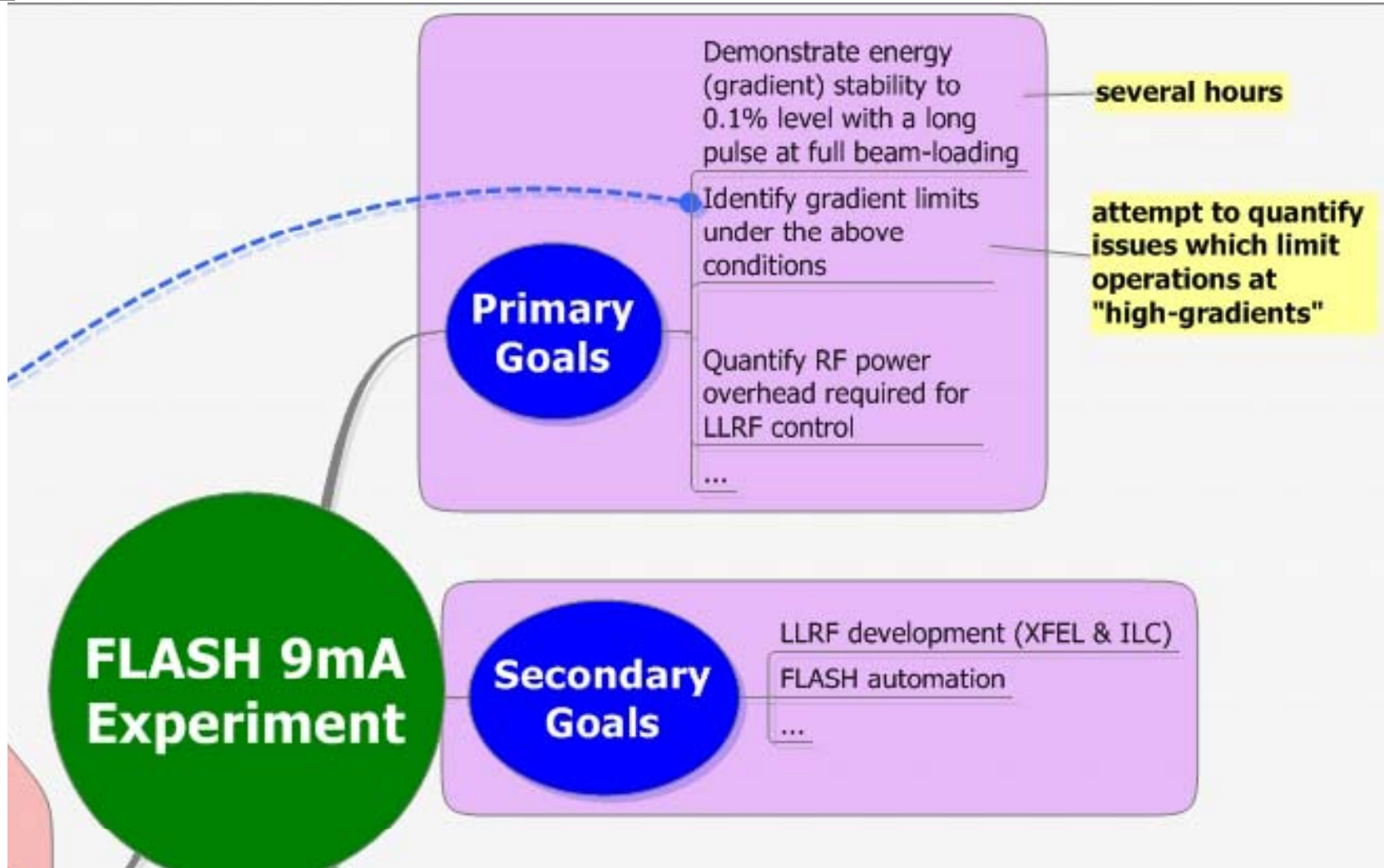
- **Experiment addresses needs of ILC, XFEL and FLASH**
 - ILC: International GDE stated milestone
 - primary driver: important and visible deliverable for international effort
 - XFEL: Close collaboration with world-wide LLRF groups
 - Focus (potentially accelerate) development and planning for XFEL
 - “Operation at limits” experience provides important Input for future XFEL development
 - Important demonstration also for XFEL
 - FLASH: Addresses many operational issues
 - Automated exception handling and recovery
 - Better characterisation of machine
 - Towards routine high-power long-pulse operation for users.
- **TTF2/FLASH remains a unique facility world-wide**

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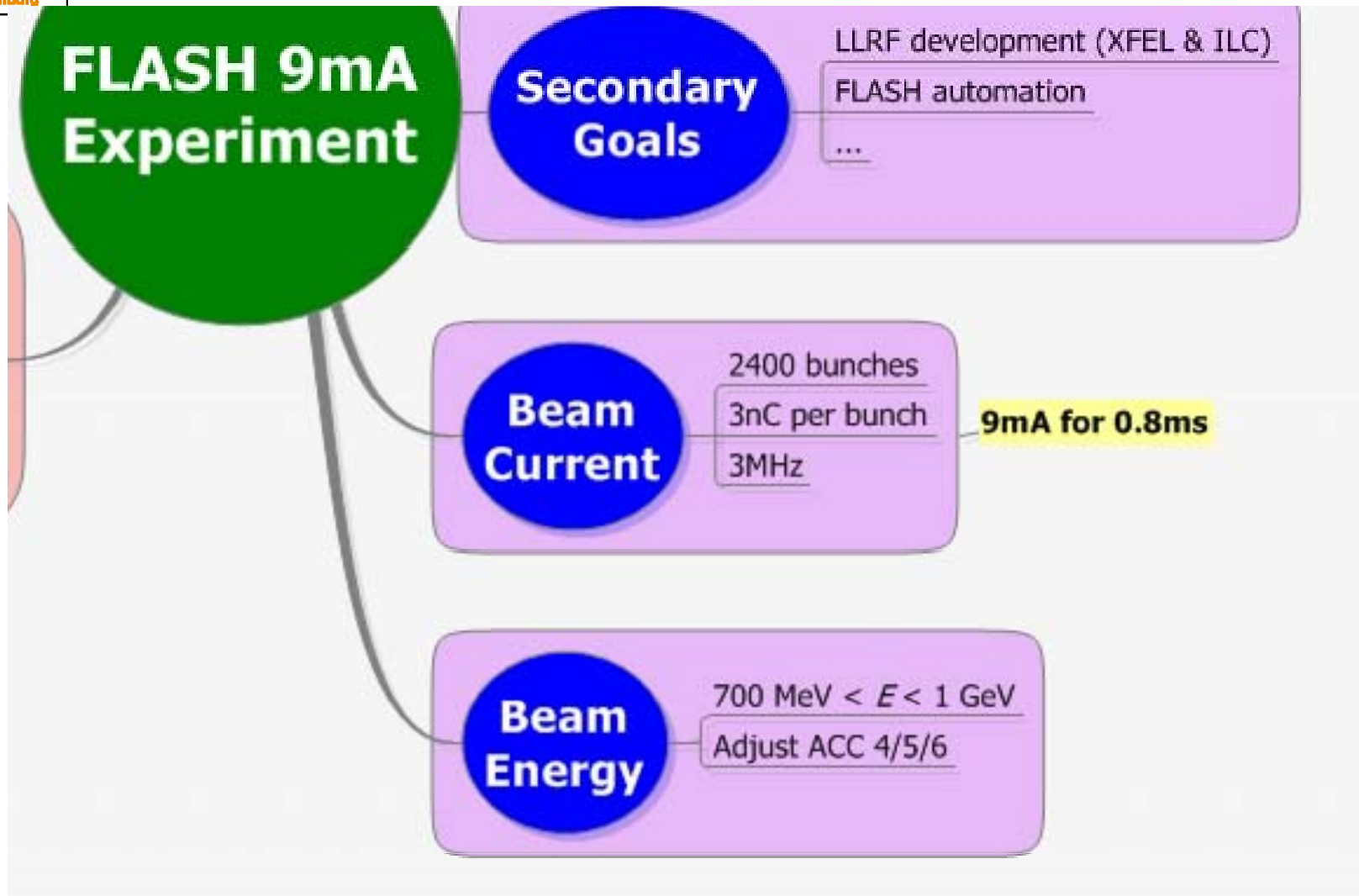
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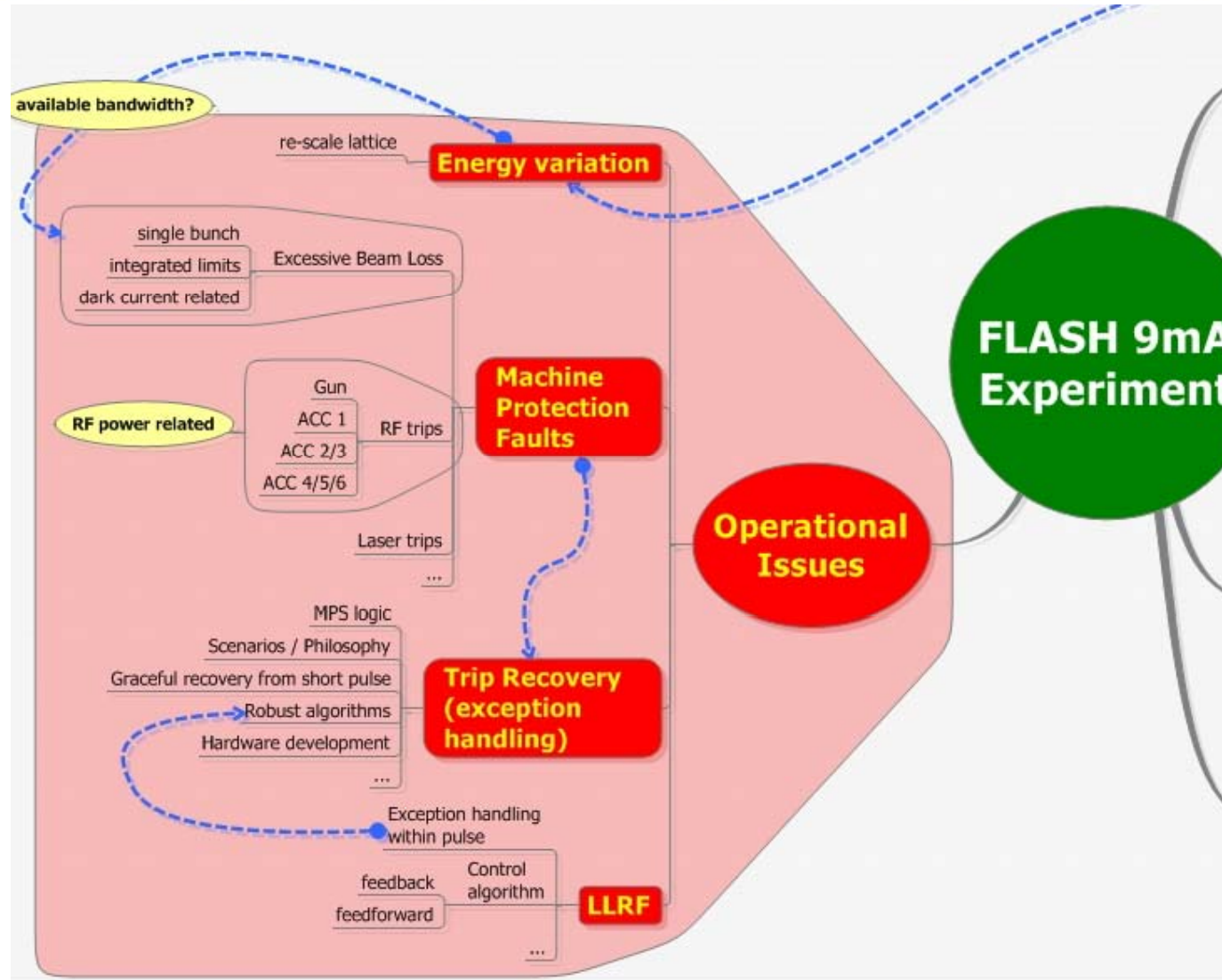
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Goals of 9mA test (summary)

- **Demonstrate energy stability $<0.1\%$ (LLRF) with high beam-loading**
 - Bunch to bunch
 - Pulse to pulse
 - Over many hours (\sim shift)
- **Evaluate operation close to cavity limits**
 - Quench limits
 - Impact of LFD, microphonics etc.
- **Evaluate LLRF performance**
 - Required klystron overhead
 - Optimum feedback / feedforward parameters
 - Exception handling (development)
 - Piezo-tuner performance *etc.*
- **Evaluate HOM absorber (cryoload)**
- **Controls/LLRF development**
 - Software & algorithm development for ATCA (XFEL) LLRF system

Original Proposed Schedule

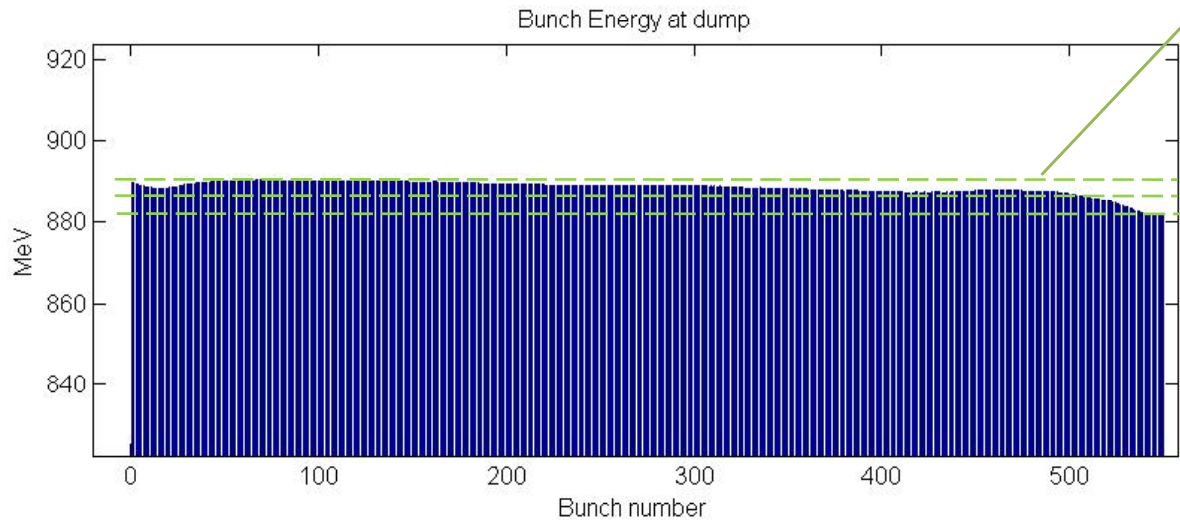
- 19/05-01/06/08:** **1st machine study period**
 - 3nC optics via by-pass (good transmission)
 - 08-28/09/08:** **2nd machine study period**
 - By-pass TPS (6 shifts)
 - Longer bunch trains
 - 05-18/01/09:** **3rd machine study period**
 - “~~dress rehearsal~~” (est. ~~Ø~~ 4 shifts)
 - LLRF development / quench limits / beam loss
- LLRF development & planning for
- XFEL ✓
FLASH ✓
ILC ✓
- almost 100% synergy
- Before shutdown 09: Dedicated 9mA experiment**
 - 2 week (tbc) run dedicated to 9mA studies
 - Detailed experimental programme in planning

complete

Complete / Aborted!

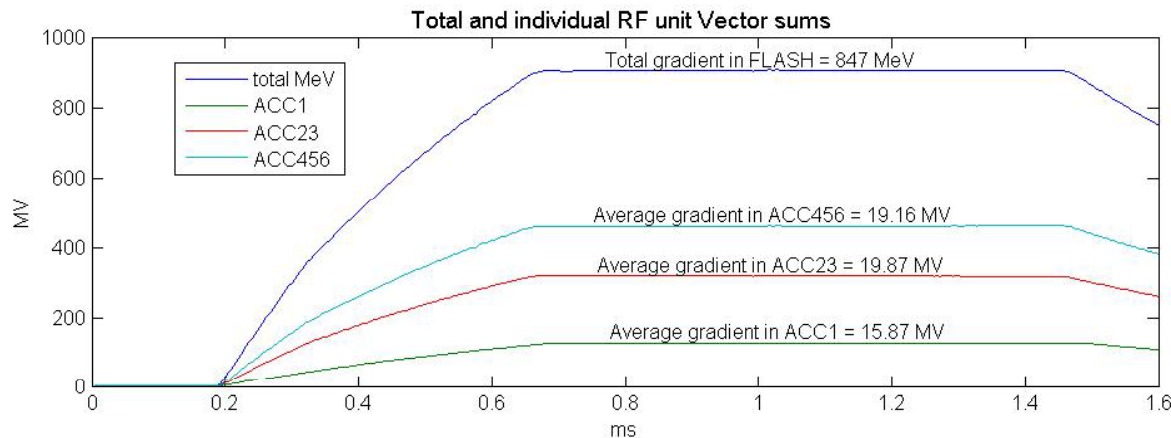
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High Beam-Loading Long Pulse Operation

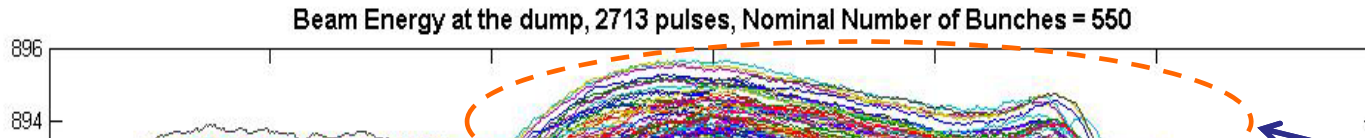


10 MeV over 550 bunches (~1%)
(~4 MeV over 1st 500)

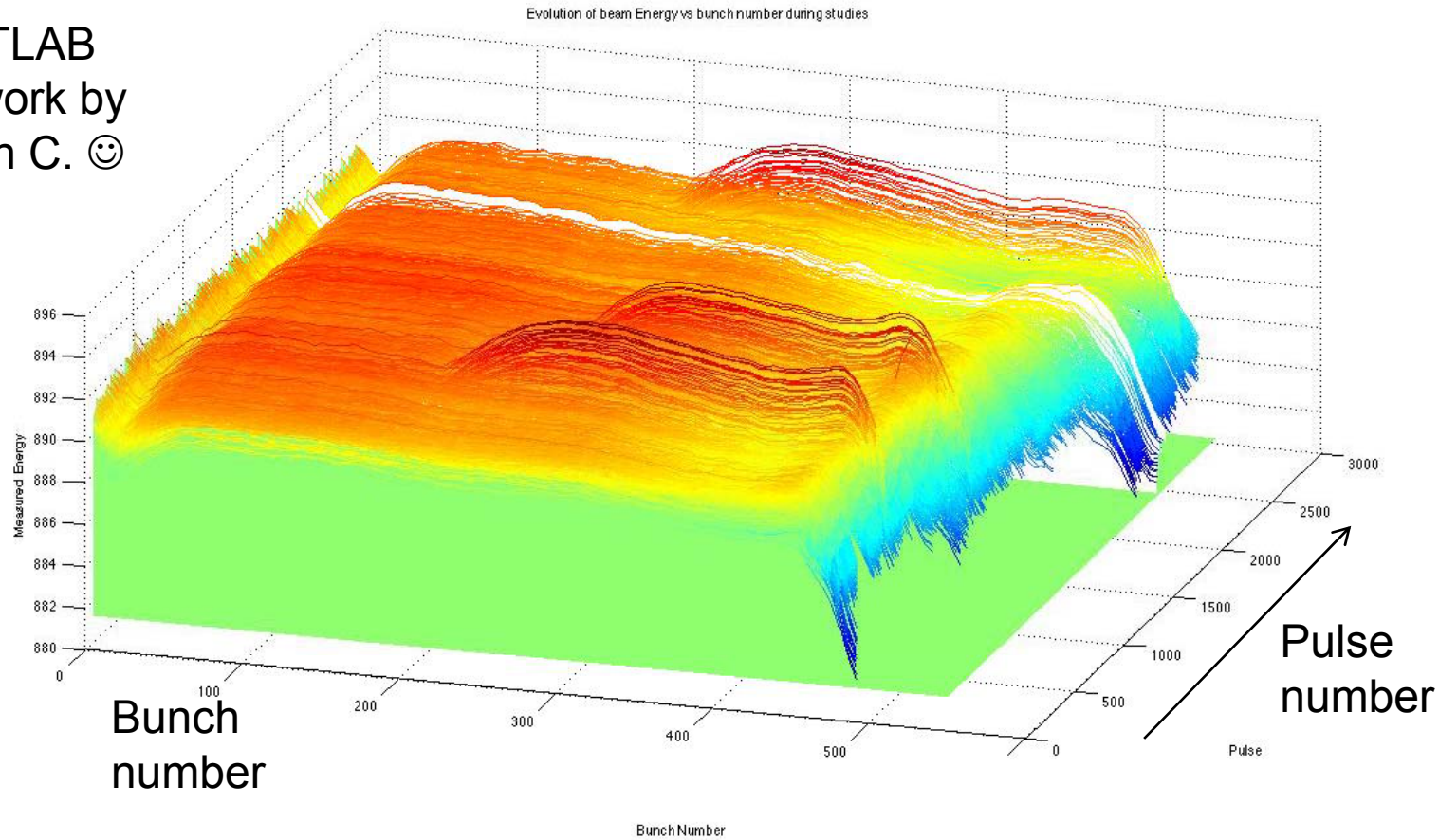
- **450 bunches achieved with stable operation**
 - Few hours of archived data
 - Currently under analysis
 - (vacuum OK)
- **Long bunch trains with ~2.5 nC per bunch:**
 - 550 bunches at 1MHz
 - 300 bunches at 500KHz
 - 890 MeV linac energy
- **All modules (RF) running with 800us flat-top and 1GeV total gradient**
- **Increase from 450 to 550 bunches eventually caused vacuum incident**
 - The “straw that broke the camels back!”



Beam energy at the dump



MATLAB
artwork by
John C. 😊



LLRF Observations & Comments 1

- In general, system works relatively well
- **3mA beam loading (new regime) required manual adjustment of LLRF beam-loading parameters**
 - As we increased the number of bunches (learning curve)
 - Understanding path to automation (→ XFEL/ILC)
 - Program termination (vacuum incident) did not allow enough time to *optimise* LLRF parameters
- **Existing data indicates stability issues which we will need to address by increasing regulator gain**
 - Likely to get more prominent as we increase beam-loading and gradient

LLRF Observations & Comments 2

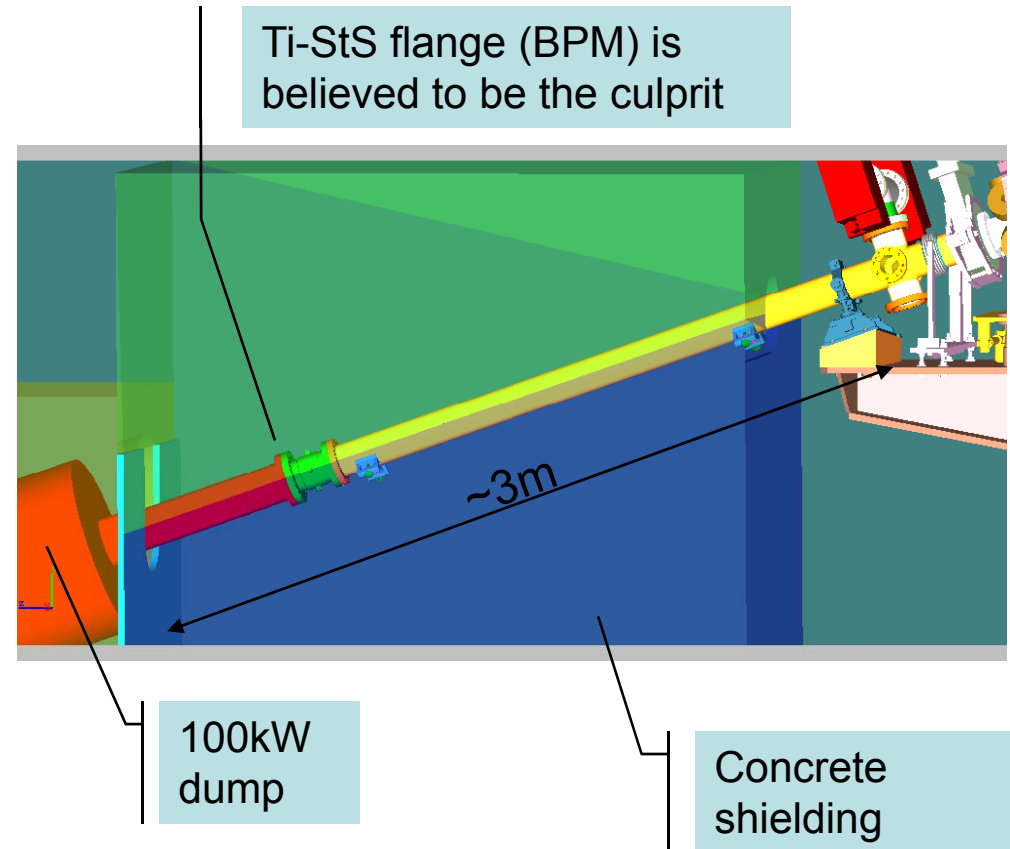
- ***Adaptive Feed-Forward* system is being used to compensate inadequacies in control system**
 - No *a priori* knowledge of beam pulse structure sent to LLRF
 - AAF used to deal with (user driven) changes
 - Beam pulse termination (MPS) influences AFF causing errors (next pulses)
- **Different AFF systems in FLASH**
 - Hardware implementations
 - Move towards common platforms/algorithms (SIMCON-DSP)
- **LLRF feedback gain in general too low (20)**
 - Will cause problems for high beam-loading at high-gradients
 - Microphonics, LFD, etc...

LLRF Observations & Comments 3

- **Existing data analysis needs to be augmented**
 - Still questions concerning interpretation
 - Further (refined) experiments being planned
 - Continued analysis of existing data
- **DAQ system invaluable but needs tool development (on-going)**
- **Extrapolation to 9mA**
 - What additional problems can we predict from existing data
 - What measures must we take to alleviate them
 - List of improvements to LLRF systems
 - Subject of a seminar in their own right

Vacuum repair & instrumentation

- **FLASH operation currently limited to ~30x1nC bunches**
 - Cu window
- **Dump line (see right) will be replaced by 3m contiguous Ti pipe**
 - No BPM
- **Addition (MPS) diagnostics foreseen**
 - Thermometry
 - Loss-monitoring
 - ..
- **No magic fix – will still require ‘experience’ to understand new diagnostics**



→ Presentation by M. Schmitz

Challenges & Preparation (Review)

	Item	Problem	Responsible	Due date / test
Long RF Pulse	Gun thermal stability	Trip recovery? (see LLRF)	Floettmann (Krebs)	23/08
	Klystron/Modulator Issues (ACC1?)	Stability at long pulse (trip rate)	Choroba	?? (ASAP)
3MHz operation	Laser Pockels cells	FPGA/controls (pulse length constraint?)	Schreiber Fröhlich	Test before 1/09
		Spare cells	Schreiber (Wills)	Purchase before 10/08
	TPC / MPS system 3MHz controls issues		Rehlich Fröhlich	Before 5/09 (with buddies)
High bunch charge	High-transmission optics through by-pass		Golubeva Balandin	3 shifts during May Accelerator Studies to test
	RF gun parameters		Krasilnikov	?? (Before May, set-up in optics shifts)

OK? Run Lower Gradient

Resolved? Status?

No test with beam until main run

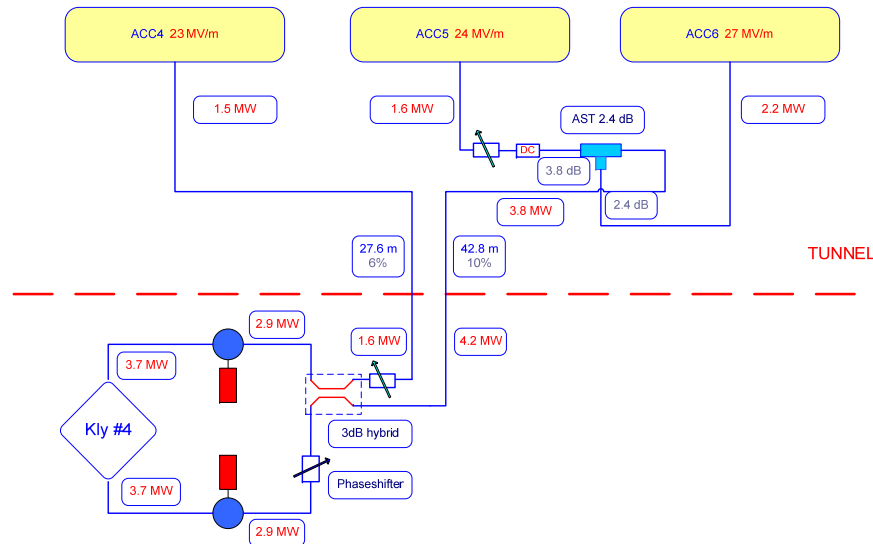
Need status

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	Item	Problem	Responsible	Due date / tested by
High charge (cont.)	BPM saturation	Install attenuators (if necessary)	Nölle	1 day to install First test of optics set-up May 08 <i>Not needed?</i>
MPS	TPS in by-pass	Installation and commissioning	Napoly/Hamdi (Saclay)	1 shift/day for 3 days of 300 1 nC bunches (Sep08 Accelerator Studies)
	BML in by-pass	Check / test	Fröhlich	1 shift to test. (Can overlap with TPS testing in Sep. 08)
Other issues:	Beam dump constraints		Schmitz	Input needed for optics work May 08.
	Cryogenics	Any issues?	Lange / Petersen	Heads-up for high gradient running.
	By-pass "energy spectrometer" resolution	Would like to measure $<10^{-3}$ relative bunch-bunch energy deviation.	Kammerling / Nölle	Answer by 15/08/08 <i>In theory OK (look at data)</i>

ILC RF Unit (ACC456)

Waveguide distribution for klystron #4 (status 06.08.07)



- From ILC perspective, ACC456 is the most interesting
- Strong links to ILC “S2” Goals
 - String test with beam
- What can we achieve with this test with respect to S2?



ILC S2 context of 9mA studies

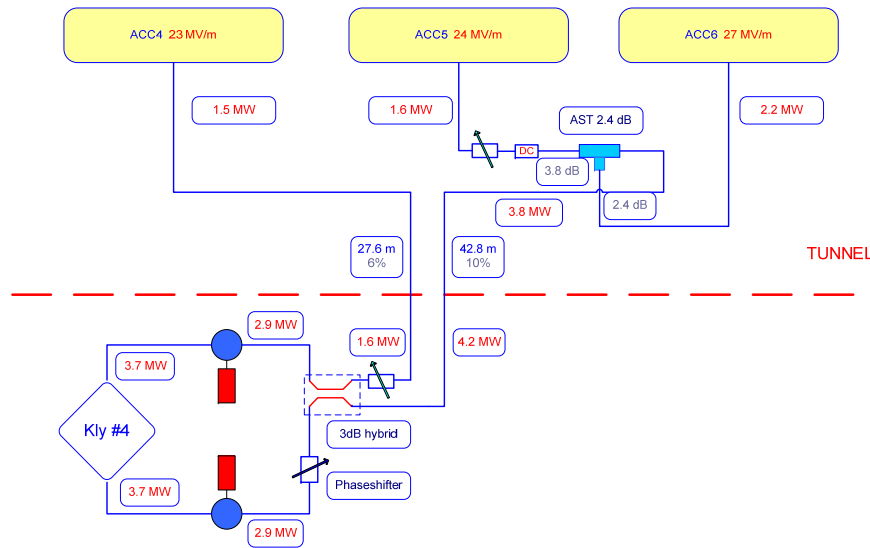
S2: Test of ILC RF unit (1 klystron – 26 cavities) operating at an average gradient of 31.5 MV/m with full beam loading at 9mA

Item #	S2 Goals
2	Beam-based feedback and controls
4	RF 'fault-recognition' software
5	Quench rates and recovery times
7	Gradient spread
9	HOM heating
12	Produce a 'spec RF Unit'
10	Check beam phase and energy stability

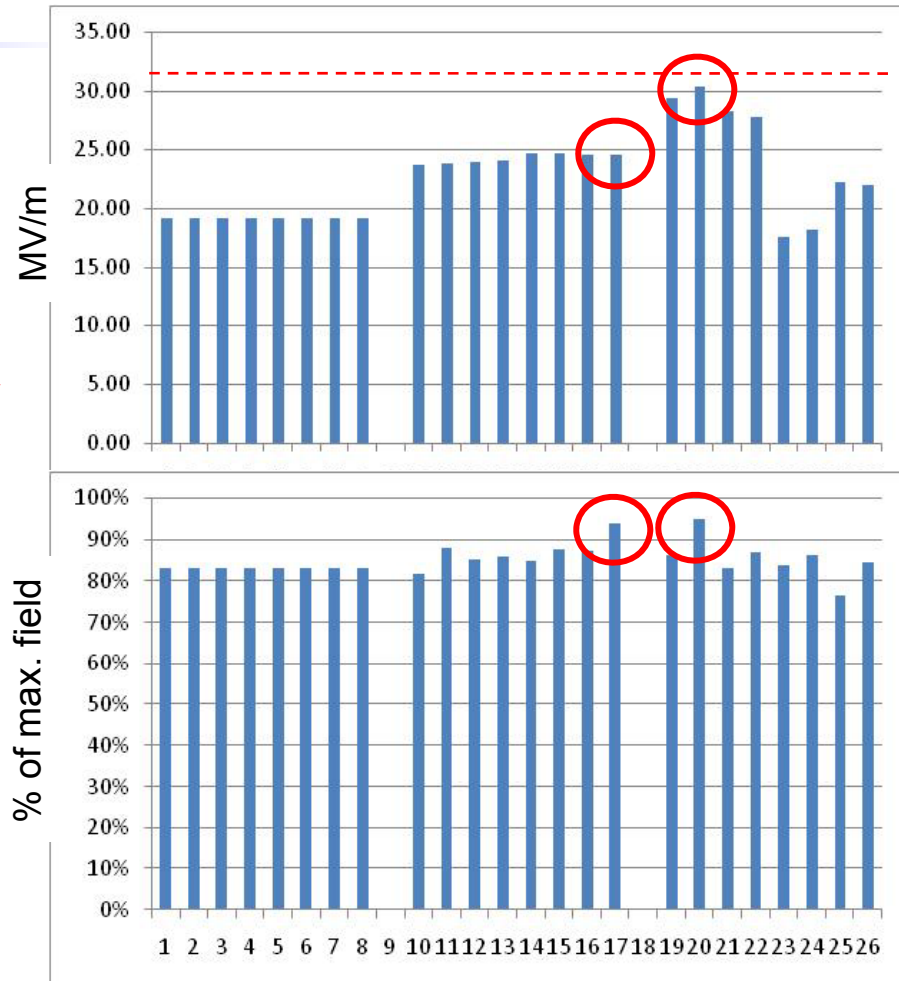
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9mA Experiment: limits

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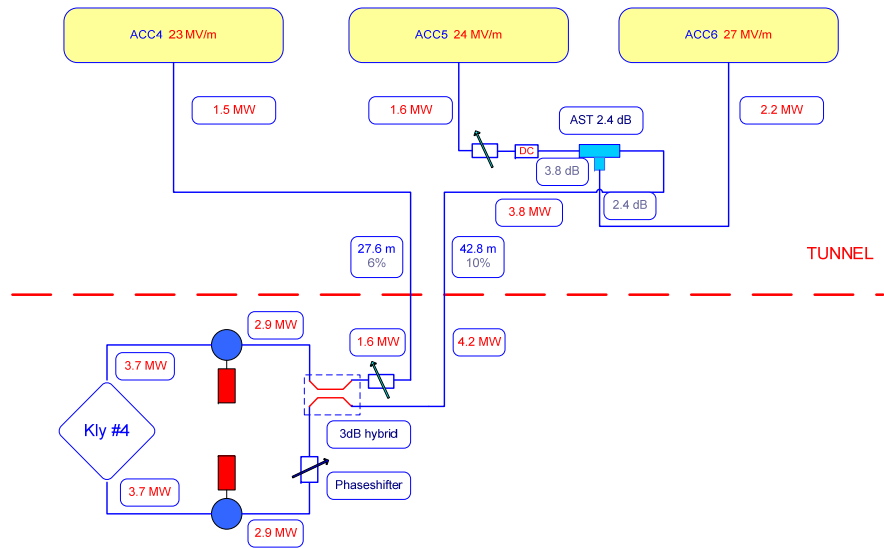


- **Aim for stable 9mA running at this limit**
 - 5% below quench limit
 - Klystron power ~6 MW

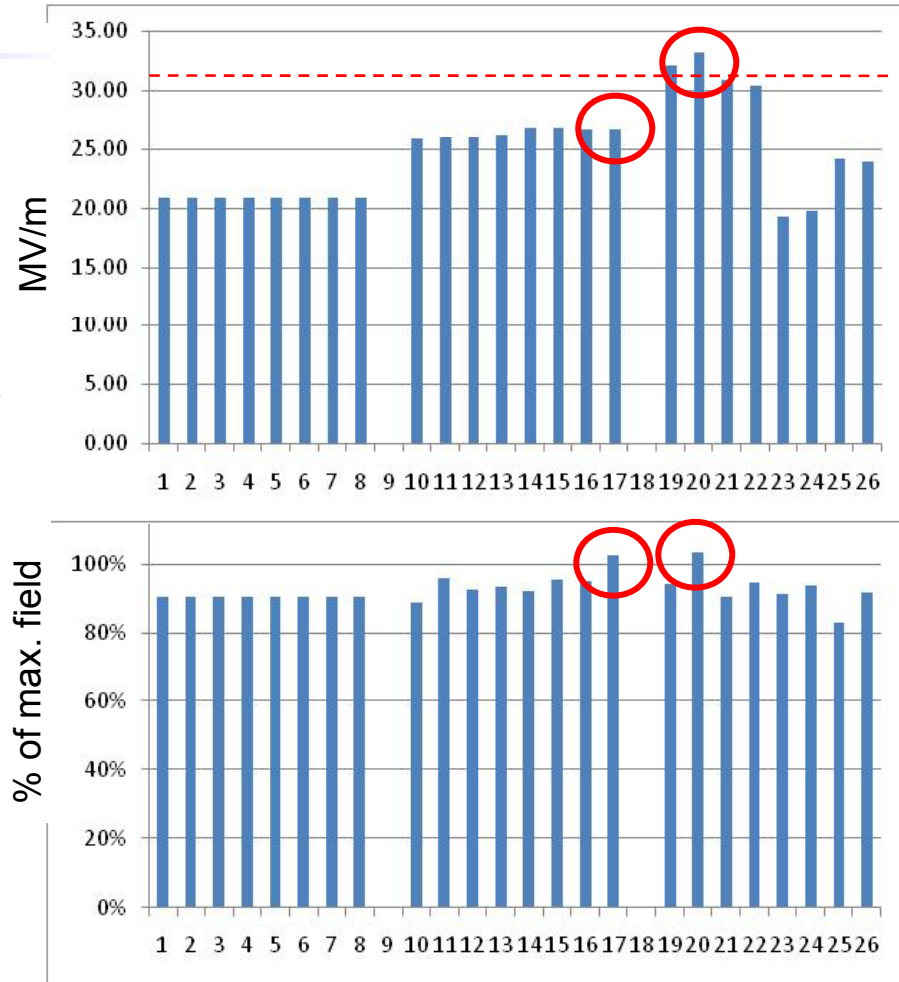


9mA Experiment: limits

Waveguide distribution for klystron #4 (status 06.08.07)



- **390kW circulator limit (ACC 6 cav #2)**
 - Go above quench limits
 - Klystron power ~7 MW



What are the real limits?

Extrapolation to ILC-S2

- 9mA experiment will not have the ‘average gradient’ required by S2
- Need to extrapolate to address as many of the S2 goals as possible
- Understand what the limits of this extrapolation are
 - Confidence limits
 - What data is really needed under which conditions
- **What goal/test will still require a full S2 test?**
 - Apart from the political one
- **Note: TTF/FLASH the only facility available to us until >2012**

Questions to this meeting

This Meeting and Beyond

- **Primary goal: planning for the main experiment**
 - Detailed list of experiments, goals, schedule etc.
 - What must we learn for ILC (S2) and XFEL
 - Discussions on detail planning → this afternoon
- **How well do we understand the challenges?**
 - Based on TTF/FLASH operations experience as well as results from dedicated shifts
- **What can we do from now until September**
 - Data analysis
 - Modelling
 - Hardware preparation (e.g. SIMCON DSP system commissioning, 3MHz pockels cell installation,...)