



# The LINAC4 project

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# The big picture : LHC Luminosity

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\gamma}{4\pi} \times f_r \times \frac{F}{\beta^*} \times n_b \times N_b \frac{N_b}{\epsilon_n}$$

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| $N_b$        | number of particles per bunch          |
| $n_b$        | number of bunches                      |
| $f_r$        | revolution frequency                   |
| $\epsilon_n$ | normalised emittance                   |
| $\beta^*$    | beta value at ip                       |
| $F$          | reduction factor due to crossing angle |

From optics at  
Interaction point

From machine design and  
limitations (e cloud)

Brightness from  
Injectors : defined  
at low energy



## LHC INJECTOR CHAIN :

Linac2 (50 MeV) 1978 length 40 m

160mA , 100  $\mu$ sec , 1 Hz

Max Space Charge Tune Shift reached

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PS Booster (1.4 GeV) 1972 – radius 25 m

4 rings stacked

Output energy already upgraded twice

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PS (25 GeV) 1959 – radius 100 m

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SPS (450 GeV) - 1976 radius 1100 m

# Present and expectation

| LINAC2                                |   | LINAC4  |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| protons                               | Charge exchange injection (reduce emittance)                                | H-  |
| 160mA                                 | Lower current means better beam quality                                     | 70mA peak<br>40 mA after chopping   |
| 50 MeV                                | Space charge tune shift at PSB injection is half                            | 160 MeV   |
| $1 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$               | Smaller emittance   | $0.4 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$   |
| 100 $\mu\text{sec}$ 1Hz               | Longer injection in the PSB (100turns)                                      | 400 $\mu\text{sec}$ 1Hz   |
| 200 MHz / 40 m                        | RF frequency that is not widespread anymore. No components “off the shelf”. | 352 MHz / 80 m  |
| Since 1978                            | Tanks, vacuum, mechanics are aging.   | All new component   |
| No longitudinal matching at injection | 30-50% of the beam lost at injection  | Fast chopping at 3MeV<br>Energy painting with the last accelerating modules |

# Current from the linac

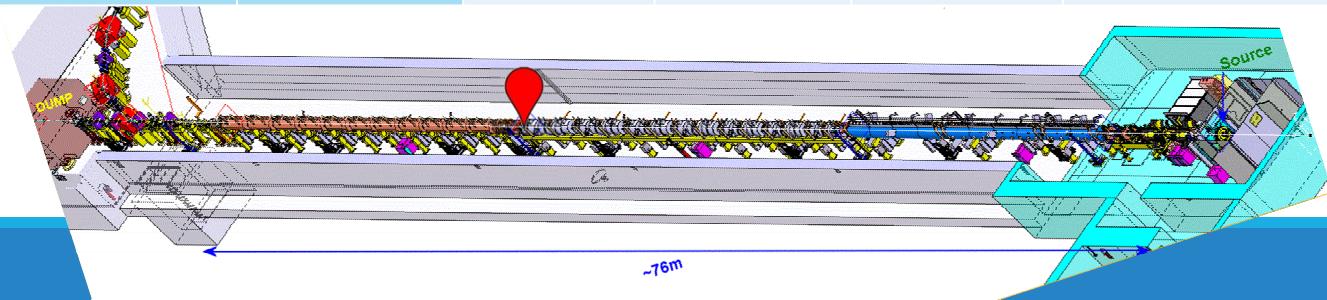
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- peak current (space charge effects) stays the same through the linac,
- average current along the bunch : determined by the chopping pattern, typically 50% less
- number of protons in the PSB : average current x number of turns (limited by emittance in the PSB)
- requirement on the peak current from the source depend on the injection scheme in the PSB  
see **THPM9X01**.

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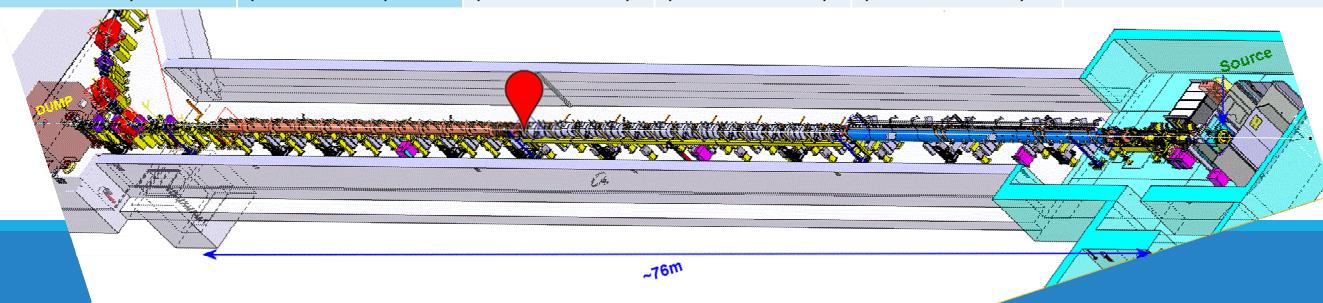
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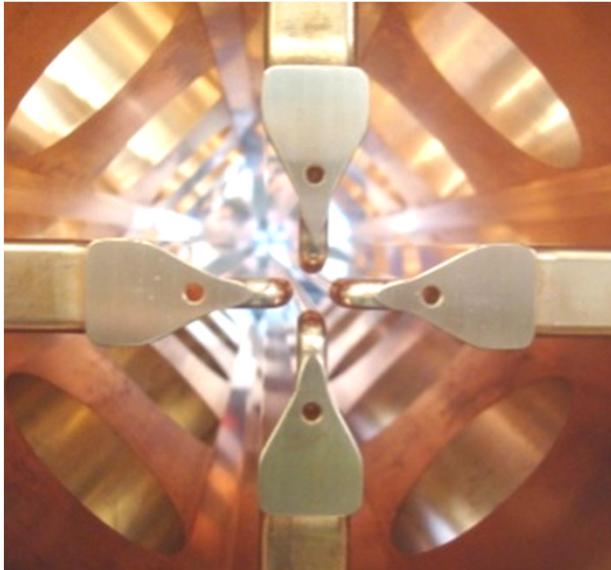
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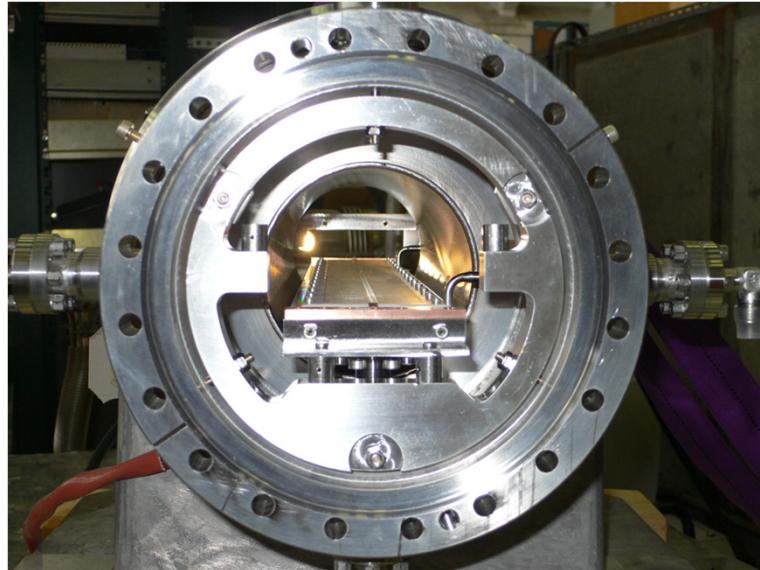


# Preinjector

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3 MeV/ 352 MHz/ 3 m long RFQ  
Commissioned with beam 2013



Fast chopper, functionality validated 2013  
Risetime<10nsec/ extinguish factor 100%

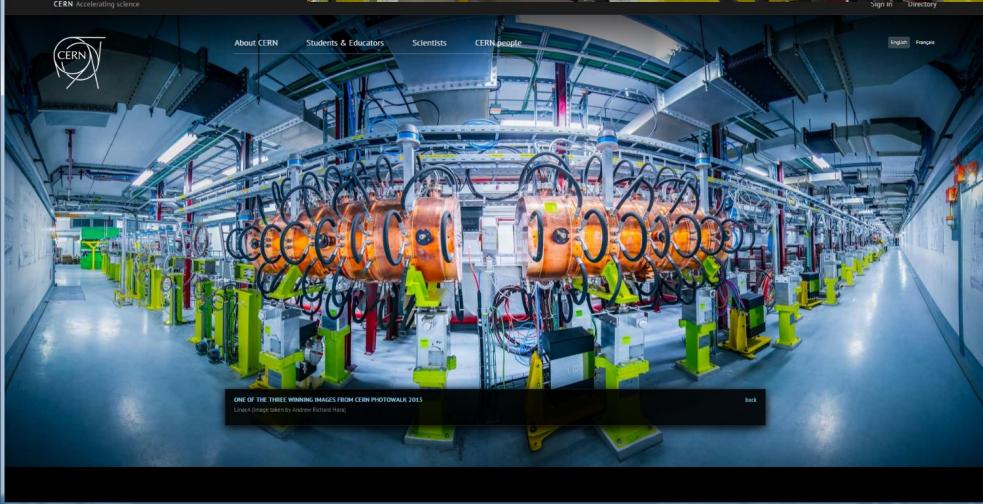


- Designed for  $\geq 30$  years of reliable operation with up to 10% duty cycle
- Rigid self supporting steel tanks assembled from <2m long segments
- Tank Design almost without welds, heat treated after rough machining
- PMQs in vacuum for streamlined drift tube assembly
- Adjust & Assemble: Tightly toleranced Al girders w/o adjustment mechanism
- Spring loaded metal gaskets for vacuum sealing and RF contacts
- Easy to use patented mounting mechanism
- Additional C-seal and temperature probe channel employed for leak testing
- Increased gap spacing in first cells of T1 to reduce breakdown in PMQ fields
- Cooled RF-port & vacuum grid in AISI 304L tank for 10% duty-cycle



- construction by BINP and VNIITF in Russia, assembly at CERN
- 7 modules of 3 accelerating cavities (3 gaps each) and 2 coupling cells,
- quadrupoles outside of RF structure,
- copper plated stainless steel,
- time-consuming assembly because of high number of C-shaped metal seals, several attempts necessary to achieve vacuum tightness,
- around 1 month of conditioning needed to clean surfaces,
- non-trivial support mechanics because of 12 support points per module,
- all drift tube centres are aligned within  $\pm 0.1$  mm
- **first-ever CCDTL in a working machine!**

**PIMS**



Bulk copper, no RF seals, discs and rings are tuned and electron-beam welded at CERN

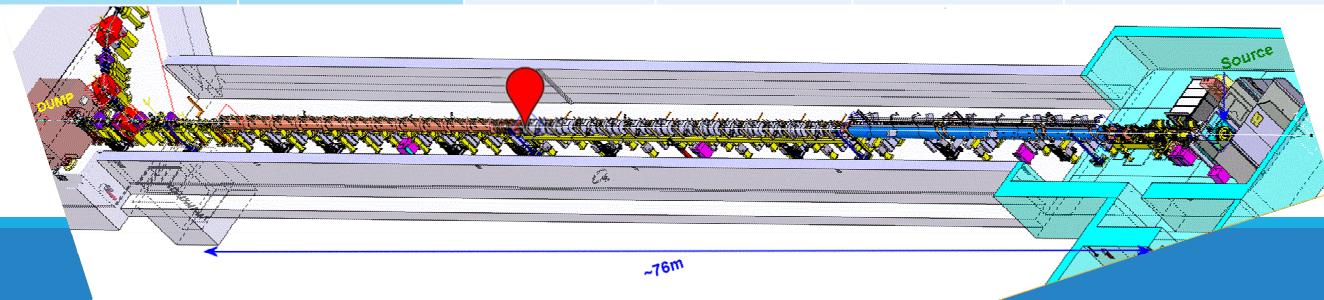
Long qualification period for series production (~3 years), critical point was precision machine large pieces of copper (10 - 20 um on 500 mm diameter pieces)

- Conditioning time of prototype: 24 hours
- First low-beta pi-mode structure to go into operational machine



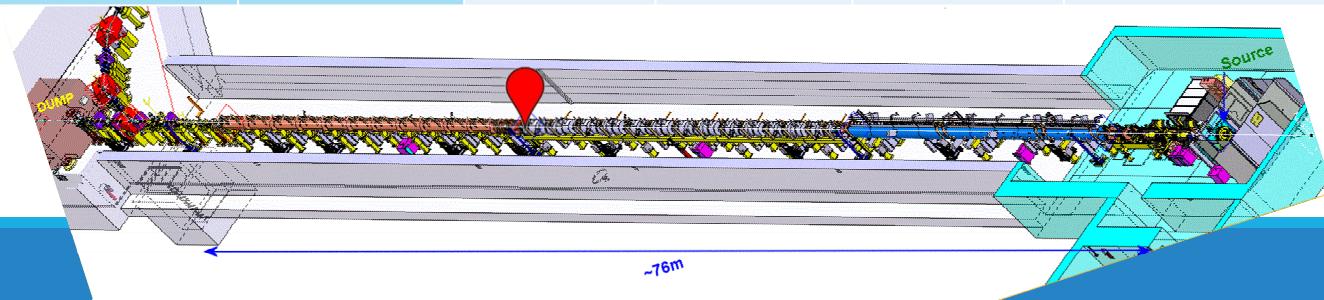
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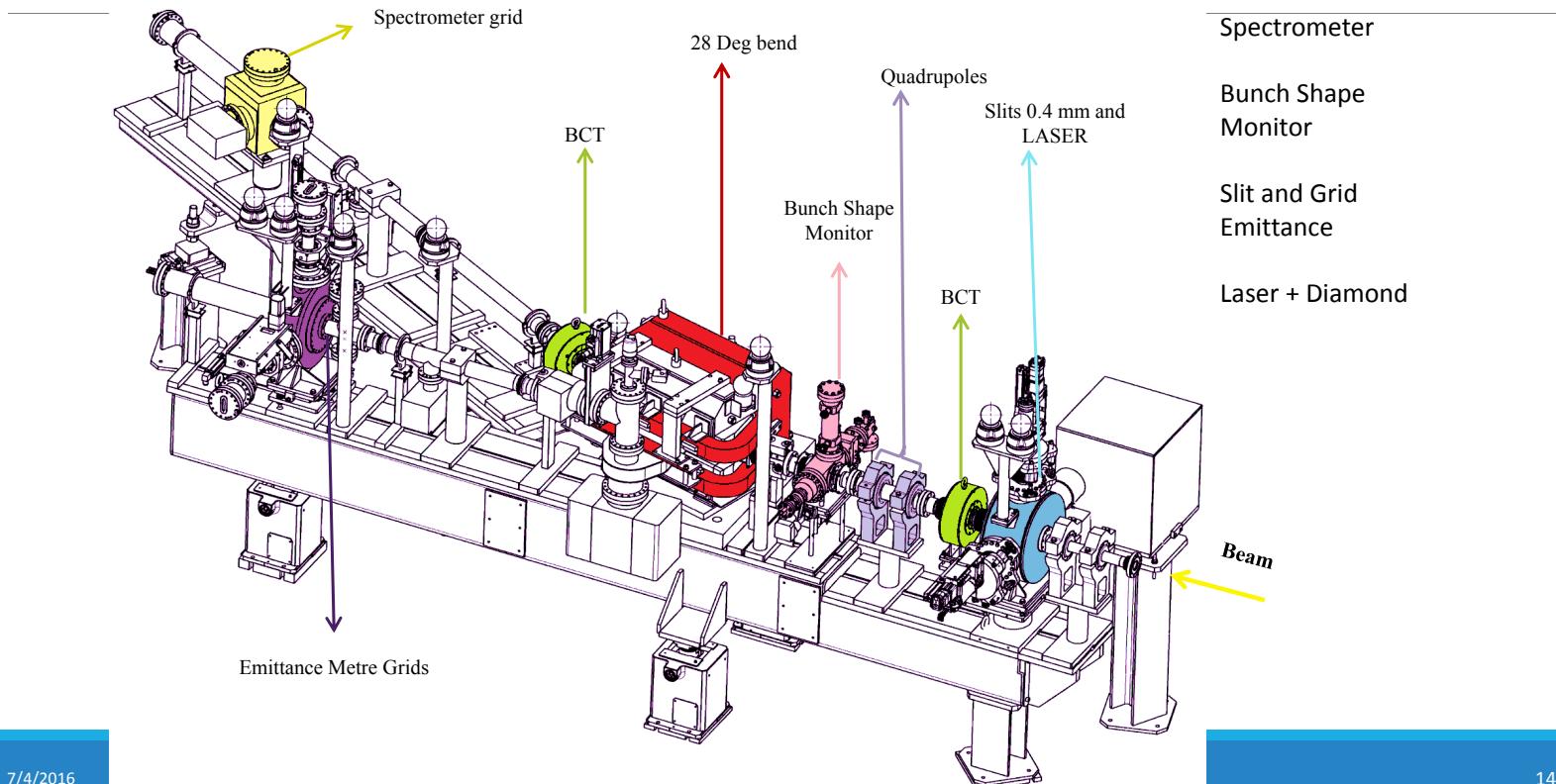


# Commissioning (and an eye to operation)

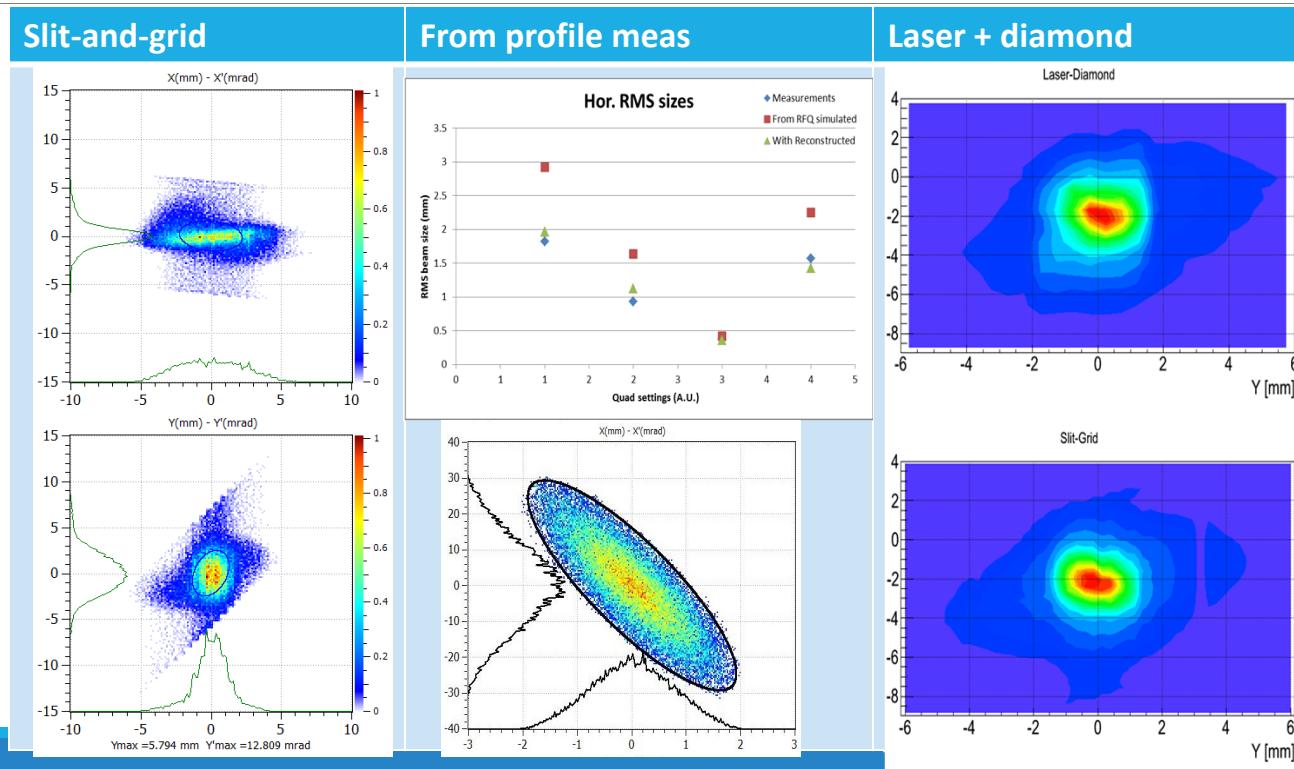
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- up to 12 MeV : direct measurement of emittance and spectrometer
- from 30 MeV : indirect measurements only with a dedicated bench (extra diagnostics)
- eventually : only the diagnostics integrated in the linac itself

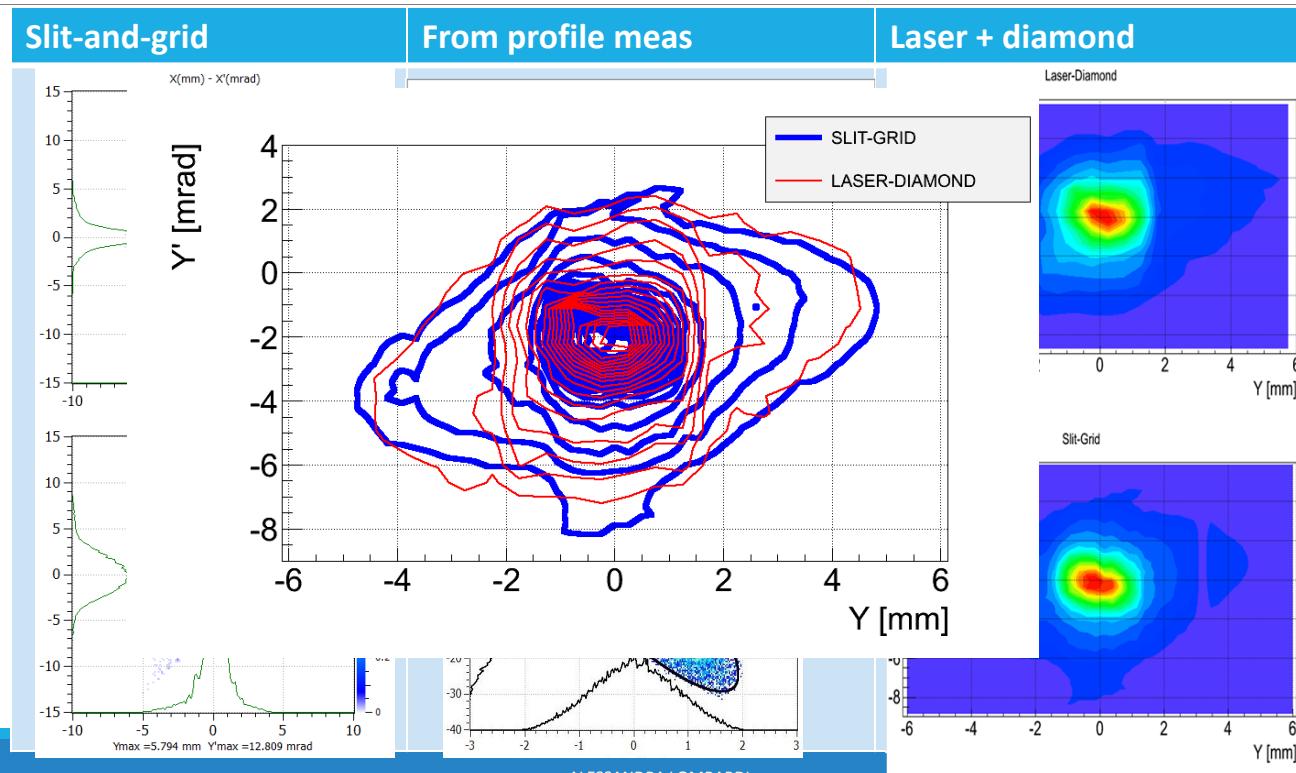
# The low energy measurement bench



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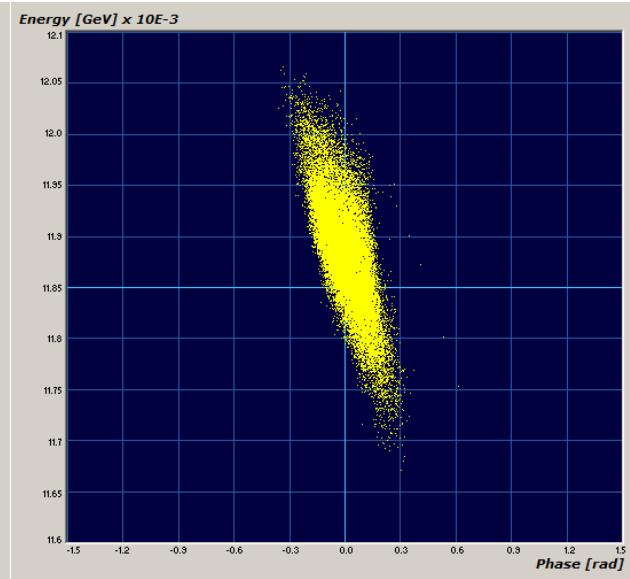


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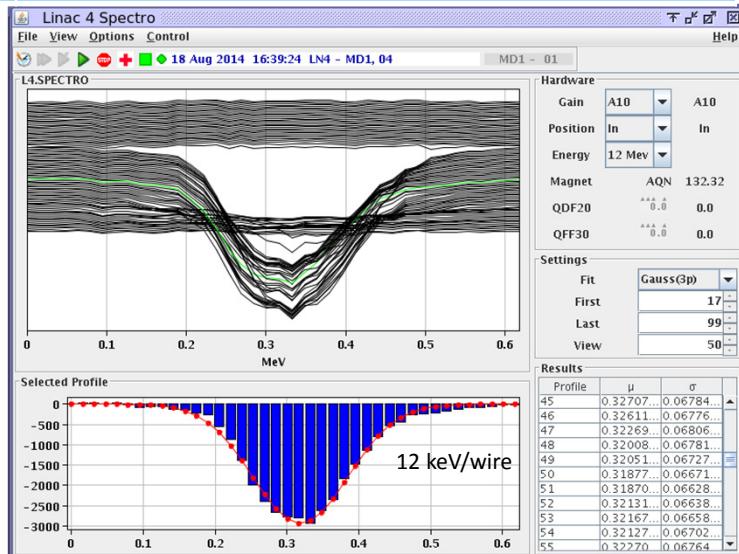


# Spectrometre -At 12 MeV

rms energy spread : 49.2 keV  
(simulations)



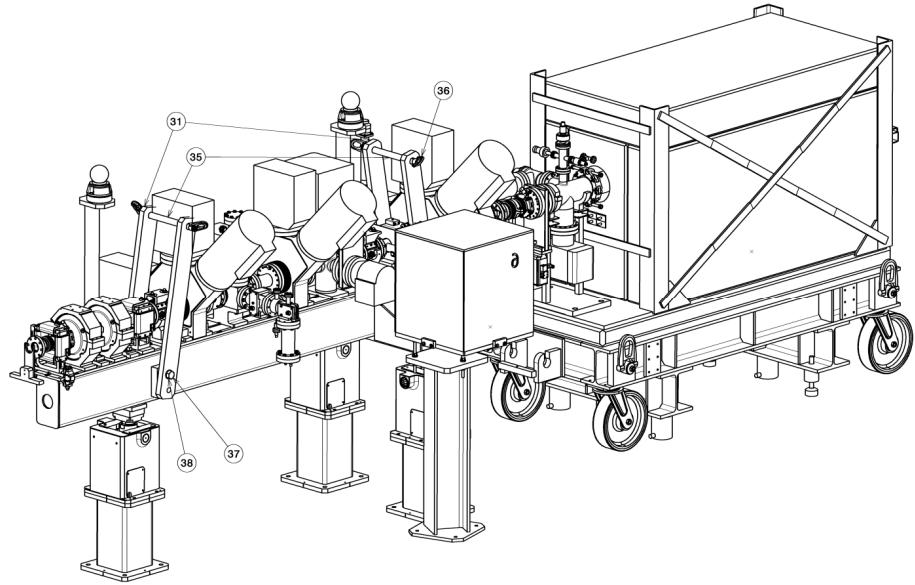
rms energy spread : 52.8 keV (measured)



# High energy bench at 50 MeV

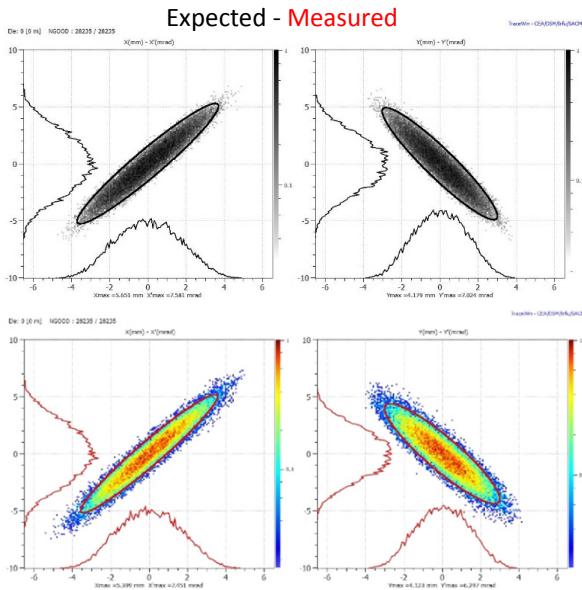
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- 1) Three profile harps and 3 wire scanners at the appropriate phase advance (about 60degrees) for an indirect emittance measurement
- 2) A Bunch shape Monitor
- 3) A lasing station (transverse profile measurement via stripping )
- 4) Monitors for Time o Flight

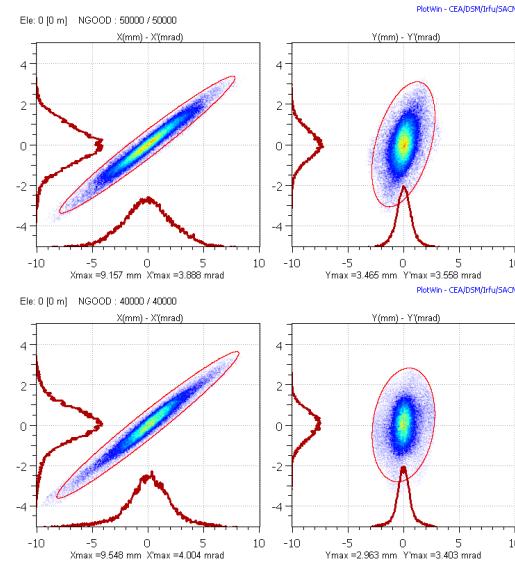


# Emittance at 50 MeV and 80 MeV

Transverse emittance at 50MeV



Transverse emittance at 80MeV



2D transverse phase space reconstructed from profile measurements using

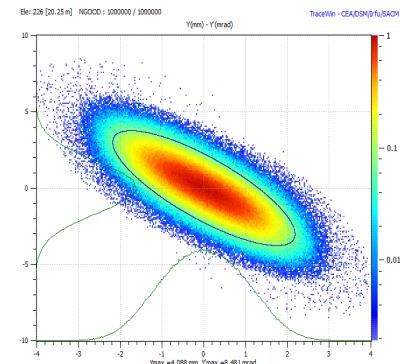
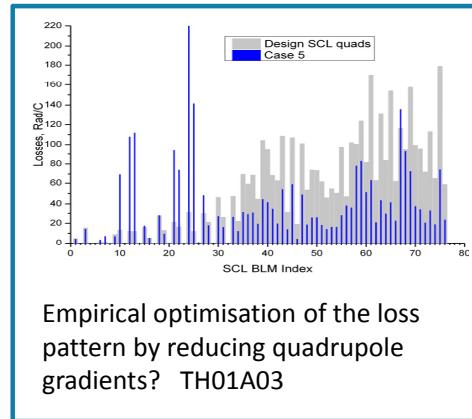
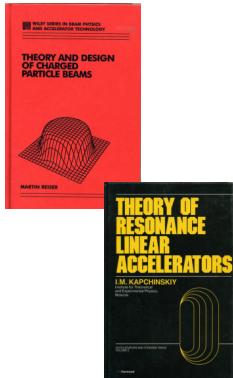
“Forward method”

“Tomographic reconstruction techniques”

see **WEPM1Y01**

# Why such a good agreement?

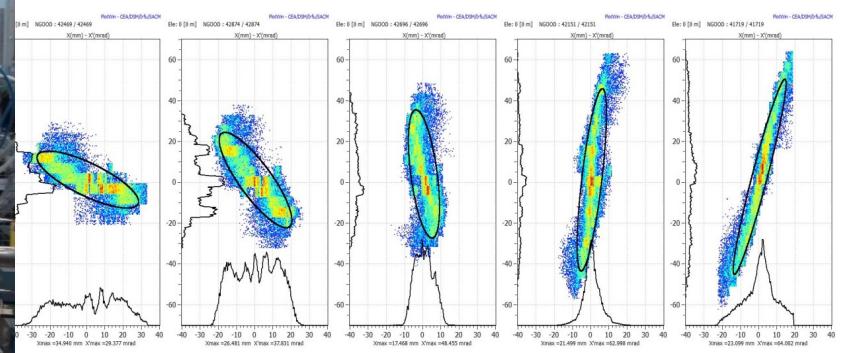
Let me bring you back to HB2010 WG-B report talk : shall we go by .....



Measured beam input distribution which includes halo pre-existing in the beam.

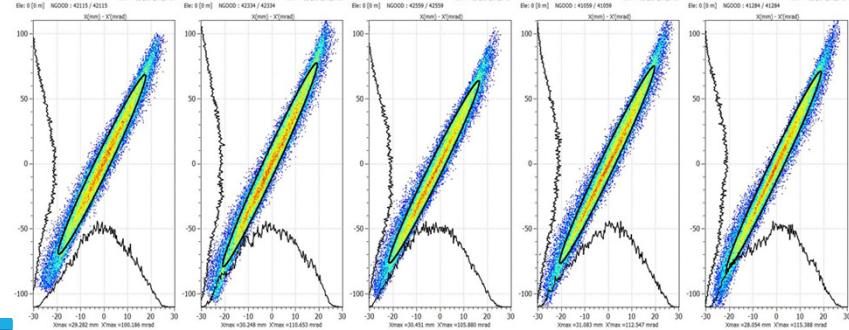
# Extensive measurements at 45 keV

1- take measurements varying solenoidal field and generate in tracking code



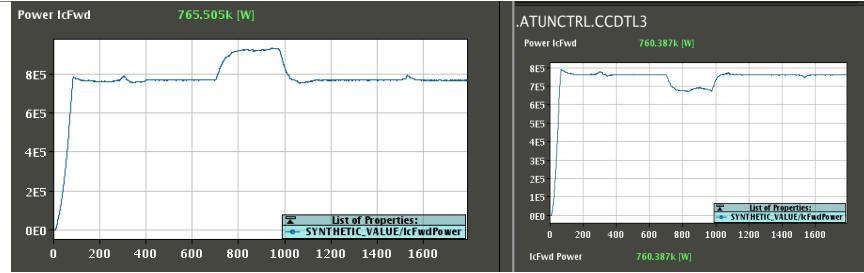
2 – back-trace to source out

3 - Result : we have an empirical input beam distribution that very well represents the dynamics in the LEBT and the rest of the accelerator.



# Setting longitudinal parameters

1) observation of beam loading

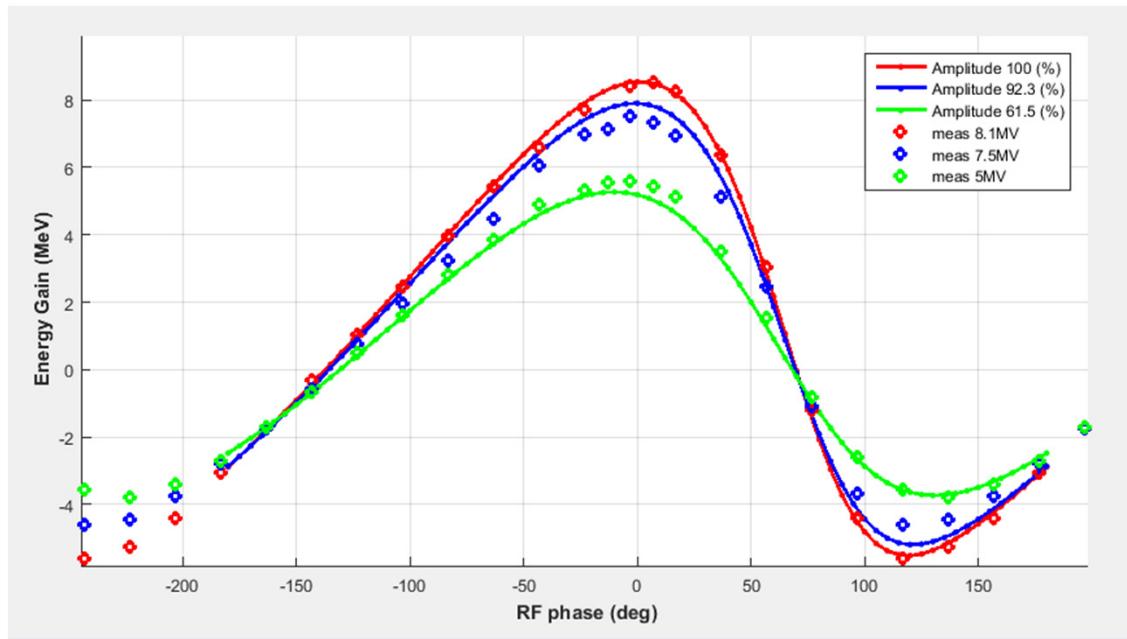


2) time- of- flight

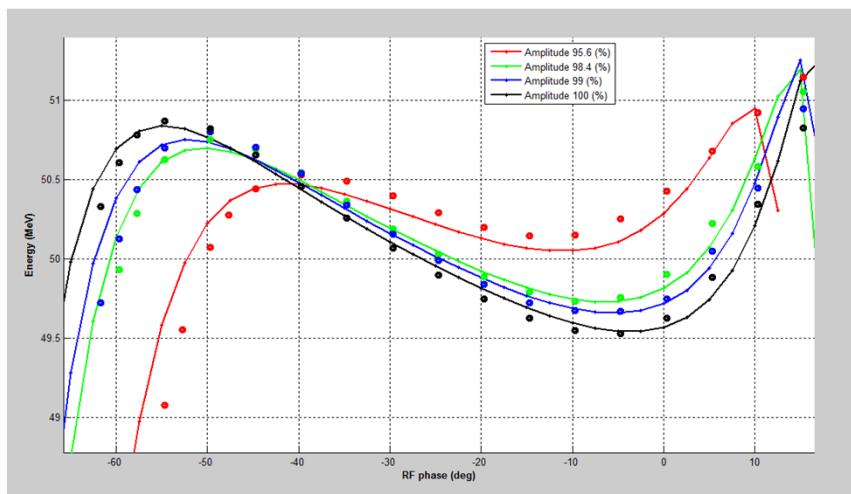
3) observing the transmission through a the RF bucket of a cavity located downstream

4) reconstruction of longitudinal emittance from phase profile measurements (see **WEPM1Y01**)

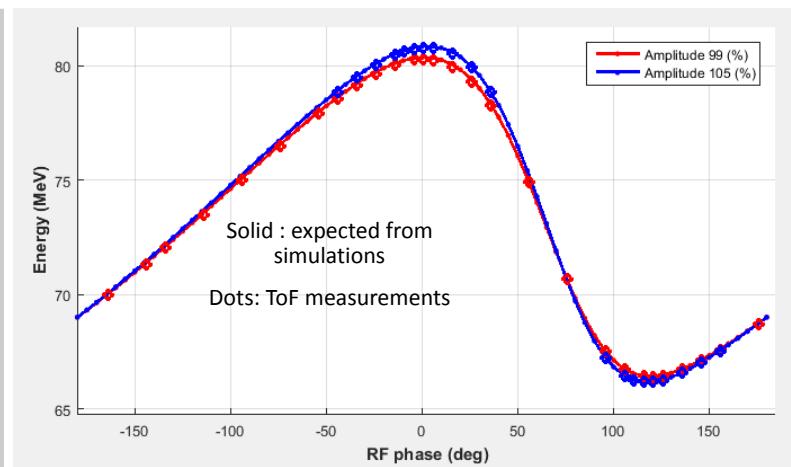
# Energy gain from beam loading vs phase



# Time-of-flight



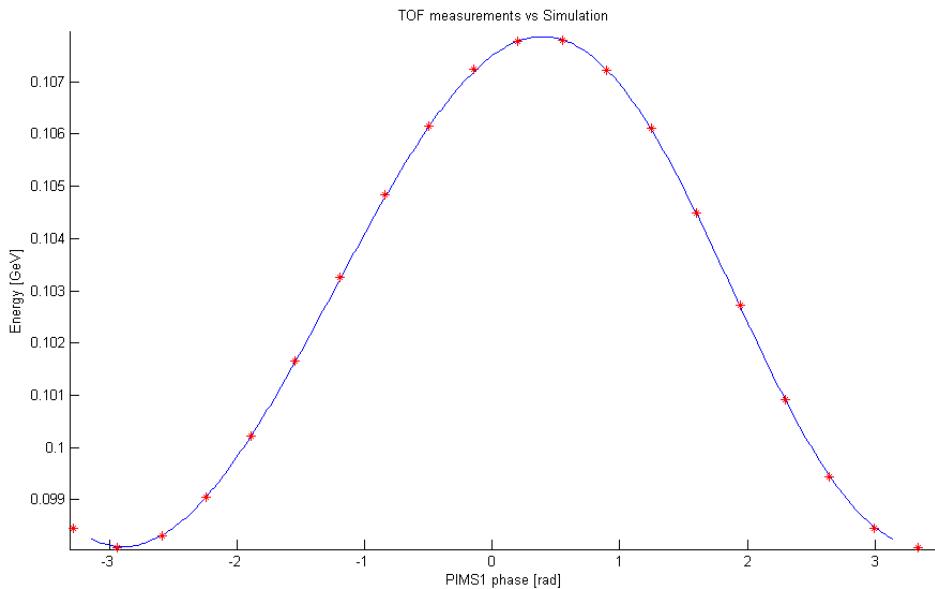
50 MeV : Energy measurement vs DTL tank3 Phase  
for different amplitudes



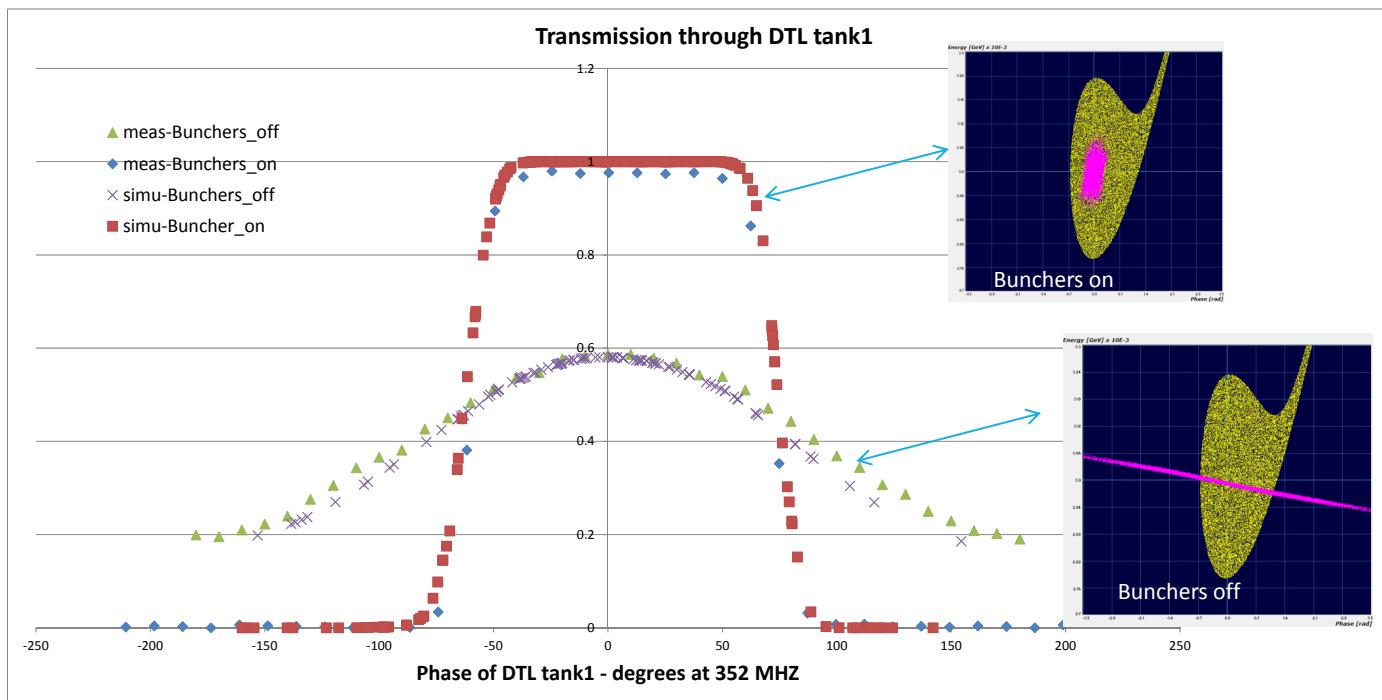
80MeV : Energy measurement vs CCDTLmodule4  
Phase for different amplitudes

# Time of flight at 105 MeV

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# DTL acceptance and buncher settings



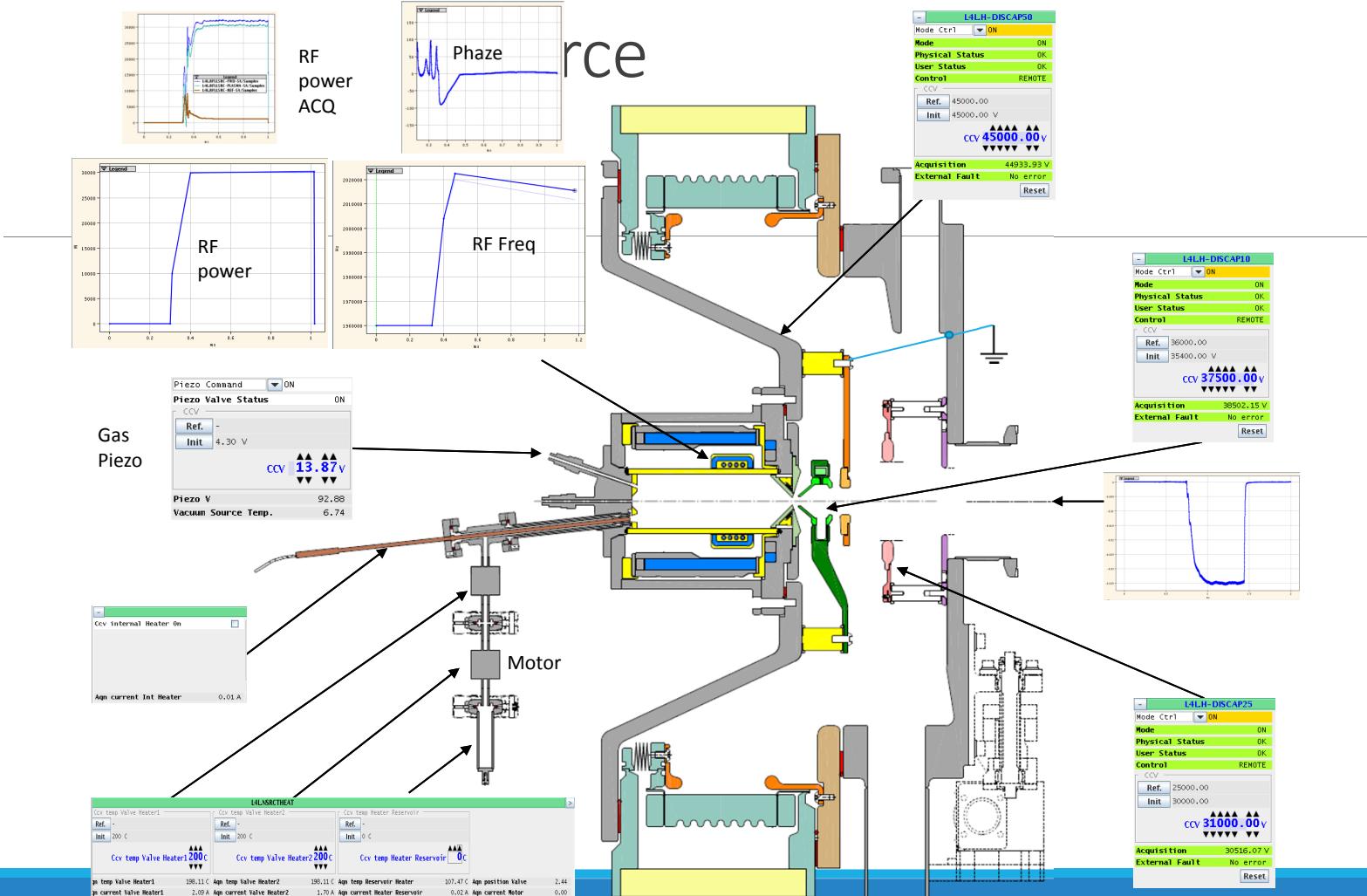
# Autopilot for the H- source

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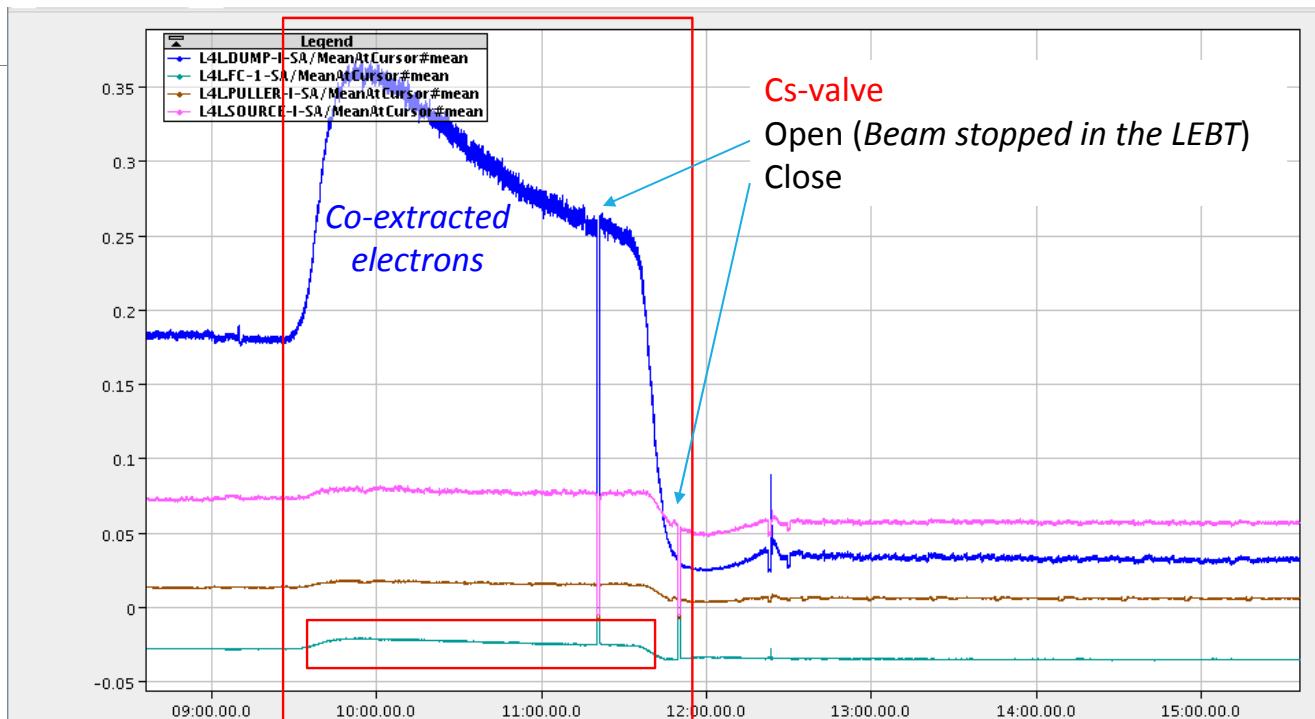


Autopilot:

- Linac4 IS Operates with monthly cesiations:
  - All plasma parameters slowly drift
  - Tuning of the RF-frequency and power
  - Tuning of the pulsed hydrogen injection



# Cesiation under Autopilot

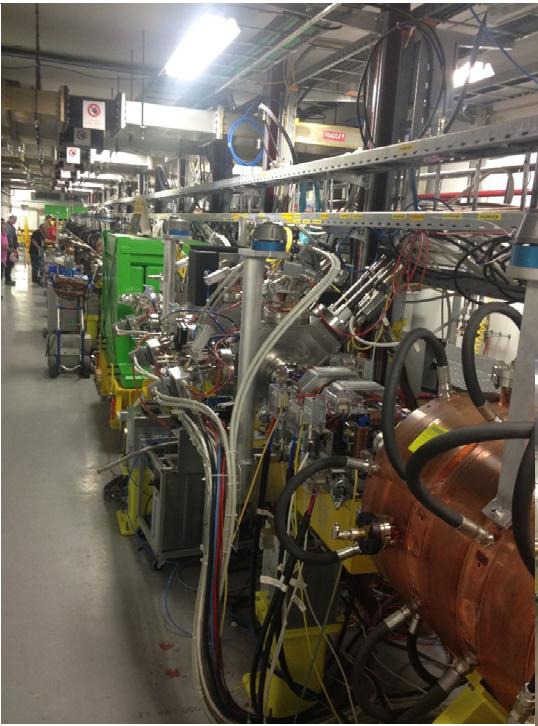


e/H too high -> Dump current too high -> RF power maxed out -> H- current reduced, yet stable

Autopilot kept conditions optimal, despite temperature variations caused by heating of Cs.

# Linac4 Installation : almost completed

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# What next – planned activities

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Complete the commissioning until 160MeV

Half-sector test

Reliability run – test bed for reliability models and fault recovery schemes

# Half Sector Test (HST) – Mitigate Risks for Future PSB H<sup>-</sup> Injection Section

No experience at CERN with H<sup>-</sup> charge-exchange injection →

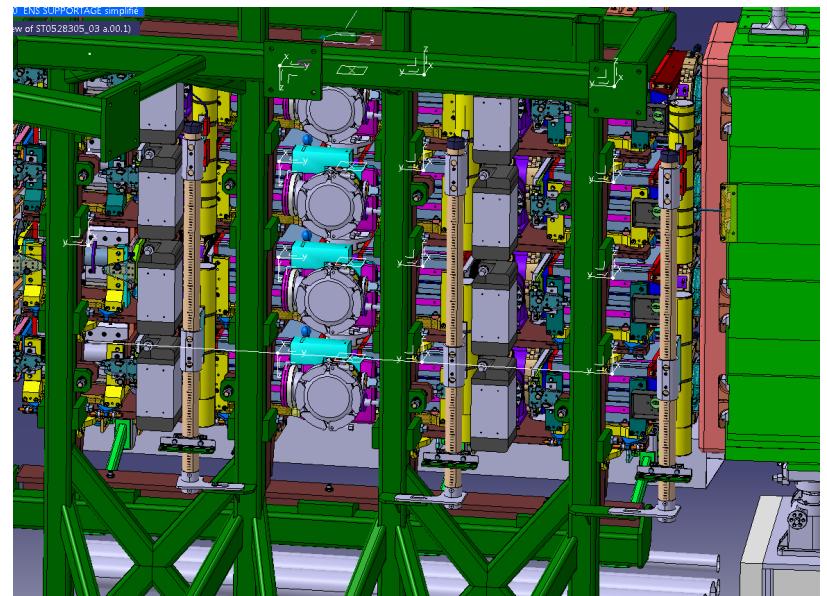
Extremely compact and complex section (4 rings and very limited space)  
**LS2**

Performance evaluation of future H<sup>-</sup> injection equipment:

- **H<sup>-</sup> stripping foil unit** (stripping foil efficiency etc.), **injection chicane magnets** with integrated **H<sup>0</sup>/H<sup>-</sup> monitor and dump** for unstripped/partially stripped particles, **instrumentation** (stripping foil current monitor, sensitivity check for H<sup>0</sup>/H<sup>-</sup> monitor, viewing screen at stripping foil location , diamond and ionisation chamber BLMs), **interlocks, controls...**

Input for potential design modifications if Linac4 connection in LS2

Operational experience with new hardware and controls to reduce PSB re-commissioning times



# Potential

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The peak current limit for beam stability is 80mA – 3 times what we run today

The duty cycle limit is 5% - 10 times what we run today

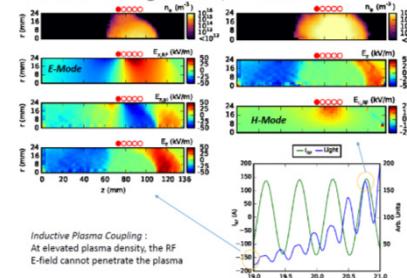
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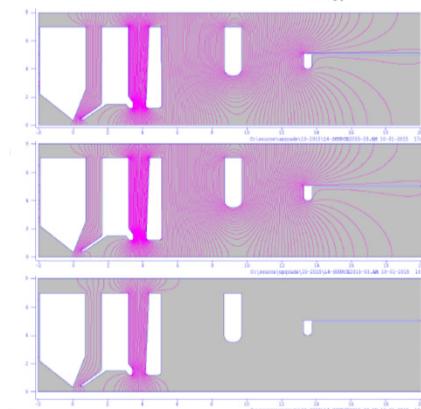
- accelerate protons
- Provide a beam with energies 30MeV, 50 MeV and insteps of about 10MeV up to 160 MeV
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# To exploit that potential

Plasma Heating sim. :E/H transition



Beam formation



Experimental activies in a test stand

