

# Long-term reliable and stable SRF operation in cERL

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cERL Injector Cryomodule



cERL Main linac cryomodule

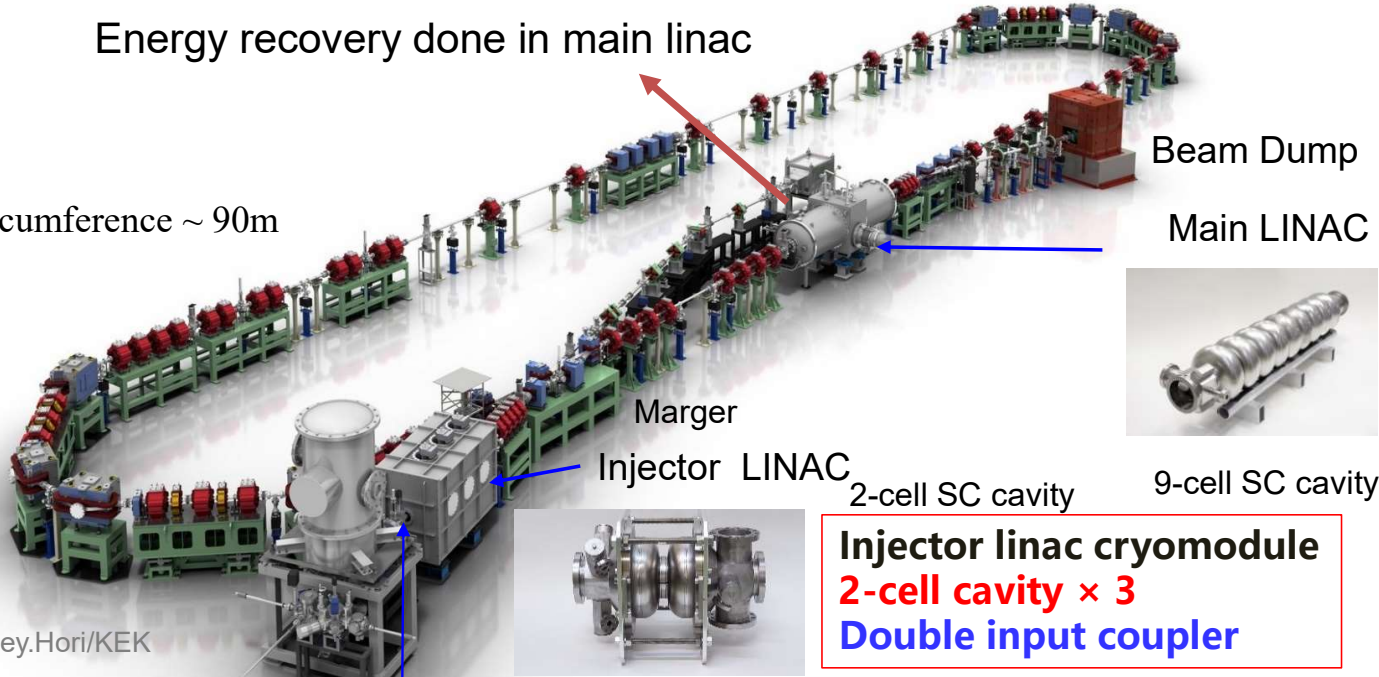
# Introduction

# Compact ERL (cERL) in KEK

RF frequency= 1.3 GHz

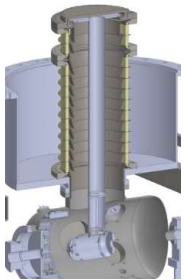
Energy recovery done in main linac

Circumference ~ 90m



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Photocathode DC gun  
(Not SRF gun)



Buncher

Injector LINAC

Mager

Beam Dump

Main LINAC



9-cell SC cavity

2-cell SC cavity



**Injector linac cryomodule**  
**2-cell cavity × 3**  
**Double input coupler**

**(Injector design)**

**Input power :**

**180kW/coupler (10mA, max 10MeV)**  
**→ now 10kW/coupler**

**$E_{acc}$ : 15 MV/m (max 10MeV)**

**Unloaded-Q:  $Q_0 > 1 \times 10^{10}$**

K. Watanabe, S. Noguchi, E. Kako, K. Umemori, and T. Shishido,  
Nucl. Instrum. Methods Phys. Res. A 714, 67 (2013)

Injector & Main linac  
made by MHI.

**Main linac cryomodule**  
**9-cell cavity (named as ERL-model2) × 2**  
**HOM damped (for 100mA BBU suppression)**

**(main linac design)**

**Input power : 20kW CW**

**$E_{acc}$ : 15 MV/m**

**Unloaded-Q:  $Q_0 > 1 \times 10^{10}$**

H. Sakai, E. Cenni, K. Enami, T. Furuya, M. Sawamura, K. Shinoe and K. Umemori, Phys. Rev. Accel. and Beams 22 022002-1 – 022002-22 (2019)

Pink is present operation value

Design parameters of the cERL

Nominal beam energy	35 MeV → 17.5-19.5 MeV
Nominal Injector energy	5 MeV → 2.9-5 MeV
Beam current	10 mA (initial goal) 100mA (final)
Normalized emittance	0.1 – 1 mm·mrad
Bunch length (bunch compressed)	1-3ps (usual) 100fs (short bunch) 3



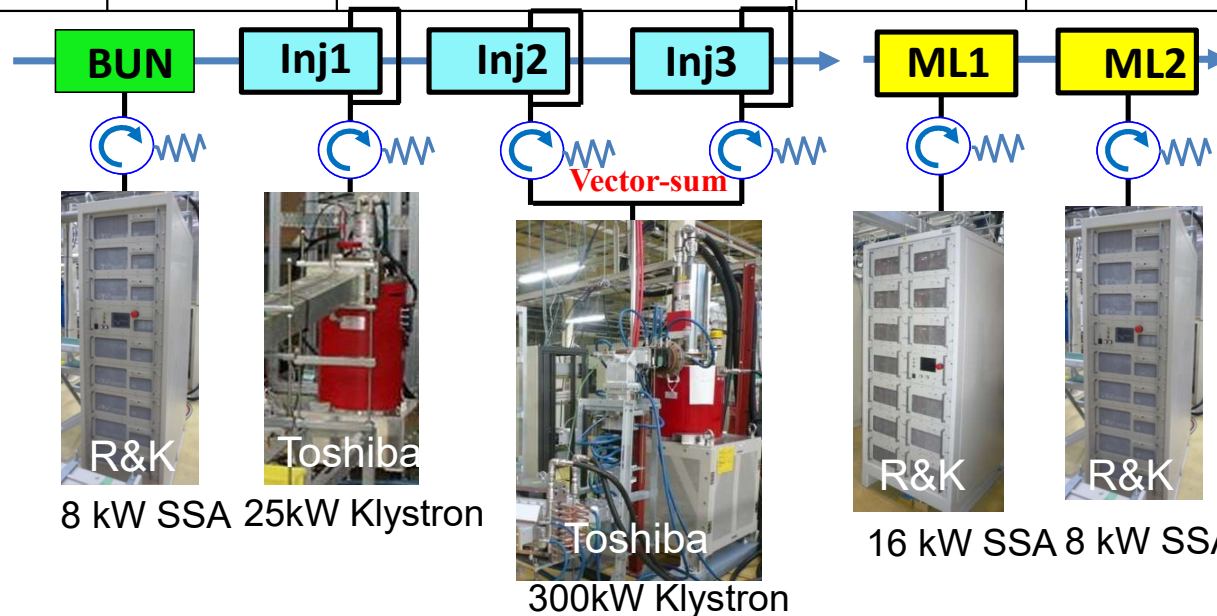
# Current status of high power RF sources

	Buncher	Inj-1	Inj-2	Inj-3	ML-1	ML-2
Cavity	NC	2cell-SC	2cell-SC	2cell-SC	9cell-SC	9cell-SC
Cavity Voltage	114 kV	0.7 MV	0.7 MV	0.7 MV	8.6 MV	8.6 MV
Field Gradient (Design)		3 MV/m (7.5MV/m) 7MV/m (5M Voperation)	3MV/m (7.5MV/m) 7MV/m (5M Voperation)	3MV/m (7.5 MV/m) 7MV/m (5M Voperation)	8.6 MV/m (15MV/m) (→ 6MV/m from 2017)	8.6 MV/m (15MV/m)
$Q_L$	$1.1 \times 10^5$	$1.2 \times 10^6$	$5.8 \times 10^5$	$4.8 \times 10^5$	$1.3 \times 10^7$	$1.0 \times 10^7$
Cavity Length	0.068 m	0.23 m	0.23 m	0.23 m	1.036 m	1.036 m
RF Power @Low beam current	3 kW	0.53 kW	2.6 kW		1.6 kW	2 kW

Total energy  
Injector 3MeV  
Total : 20MeV  
(from 2017  
17.5 MeV)

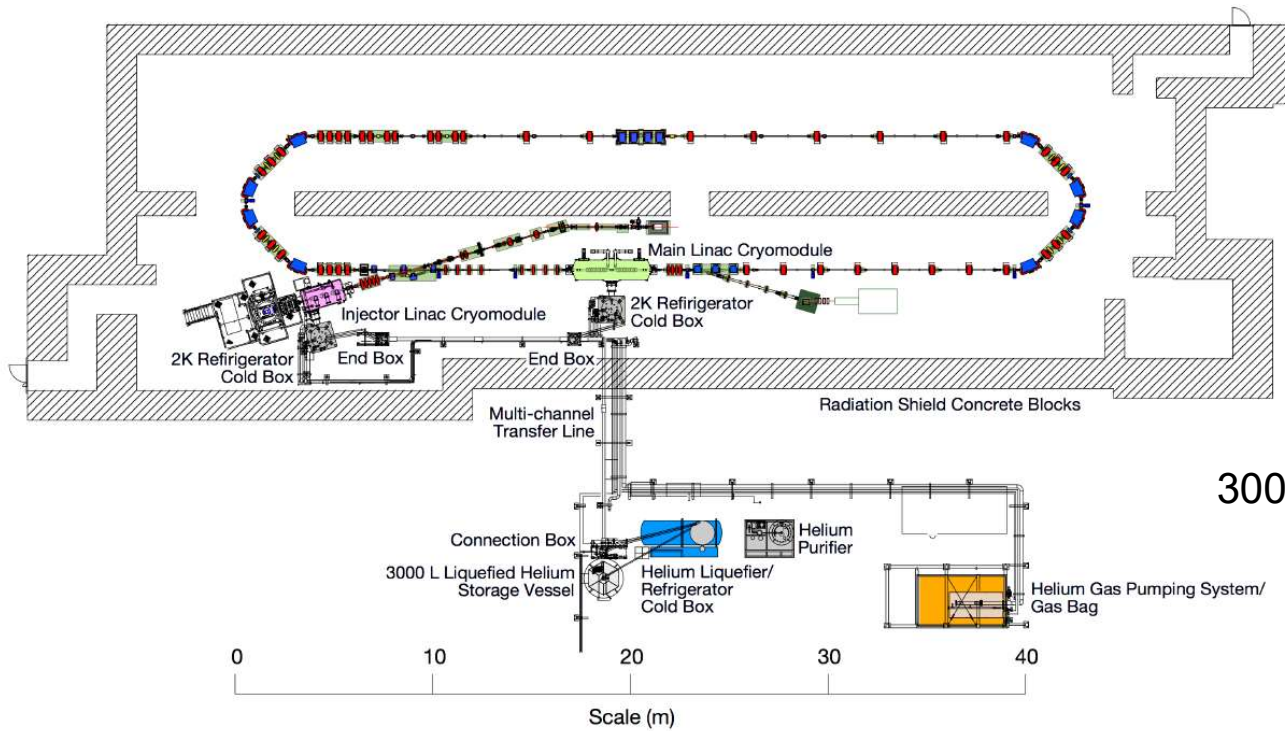
<Design>  
100mA beam &  
 $V_c = 2MV$  at Inj.Cav

200kW RF power is  
necessary for each inj.  
cavity.

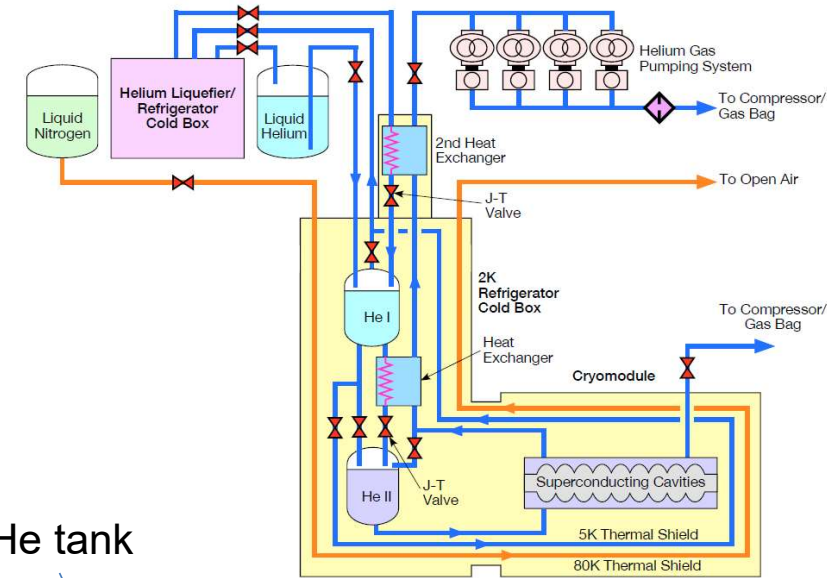




# cERL Cryogenics



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3000l He tank

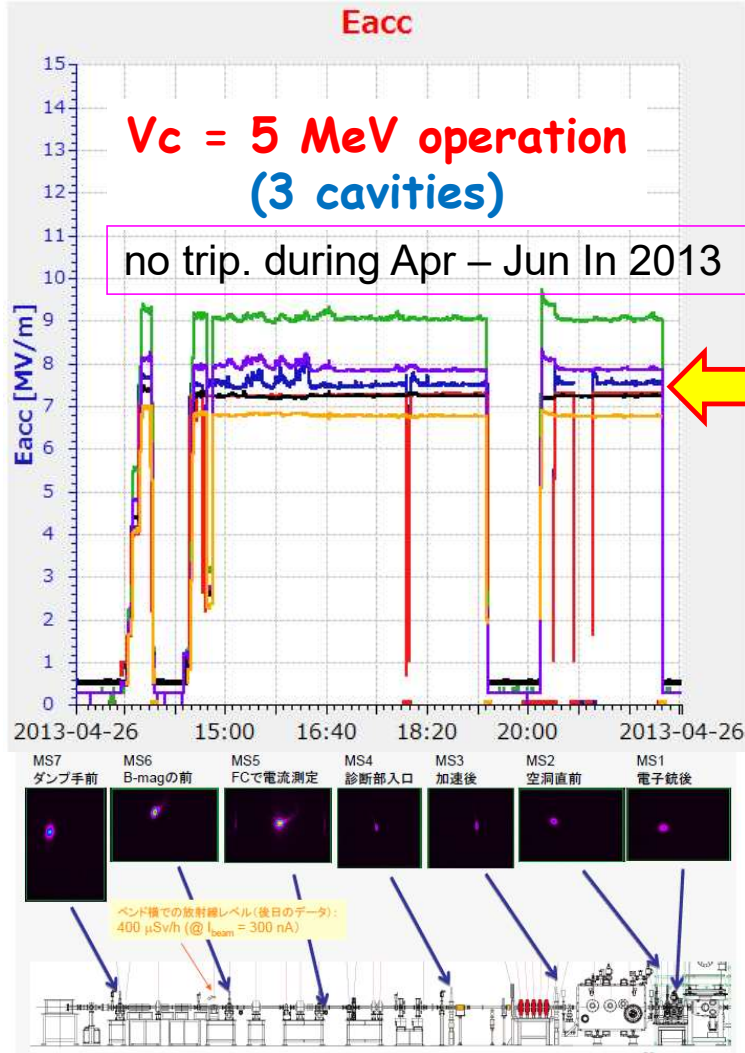


- Injector and main linac cooled by one cryogenic system
- 3000l Liquid He storage
- 500W He refrigerator @ 4.4K
- Pumping at warm (2K) 80 W (3kPa) (80 m<sup>3</sup>/h) purifier

# Performance of Injector cryomodule (2013.Apr.-June)

5.5MeV beam was accelerate by Injector cryomodule

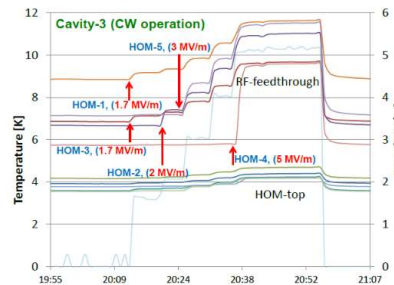
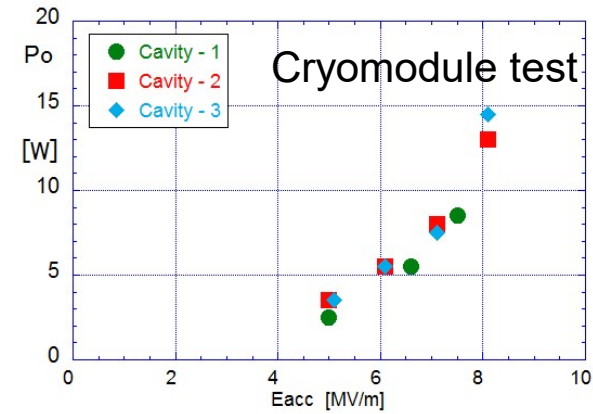
By E. Kako et al.



HOM coupler heating was unexpected more than 2MV/m field in cryomodule operation. (It was not shown in V.T) But 5.5 MeV injector operation was achieved within our cryogenic capacity. Input coupler was tested up to CW 30kW in test bench and operated within 10kW at present.

Cav1 : 7.11MV/m  
Cav2 : 7.25MV/m  
Cav3 : 6.82MV/m

Total 5MV acceleration  
No coupler kick was observed.



HOM heating

HOM feedthrough

For high field of more than CW 5 MV/m, HOM heating is issue.



# Performance of main linac cryomodule before beam operation (2012.Dec)

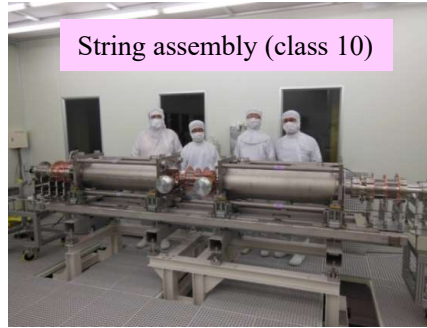
## Summary of performance of cryomodule test in 2012

V<sub>c</sub>=16 MV was achieved. V<sub>c</sub>=13.5-14 MV could be kept for more than 1 hour.  
Onset of radiation due to field emission: 8-10 MV/cavity

Deside →  
8.5MV/cav in operation  
not to get field emission



ERL model-2 9cell cavities for cERL

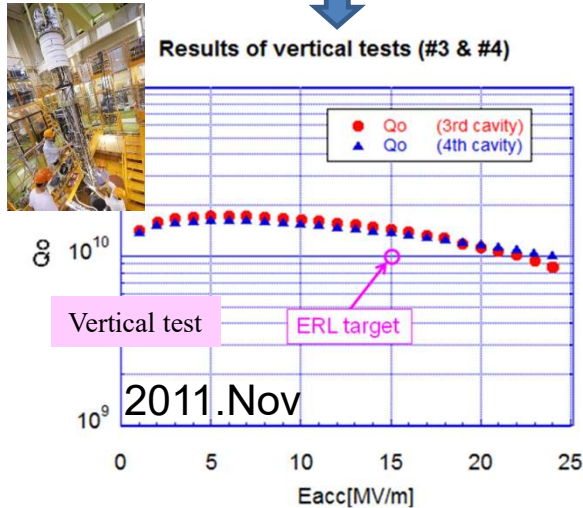


String assembly (class 10)

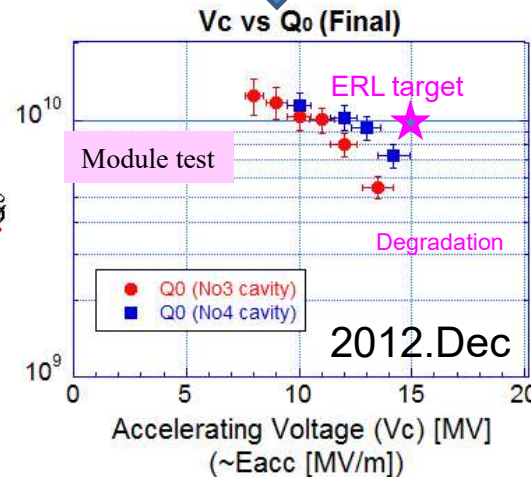


Main linac cryomodule set in cERL

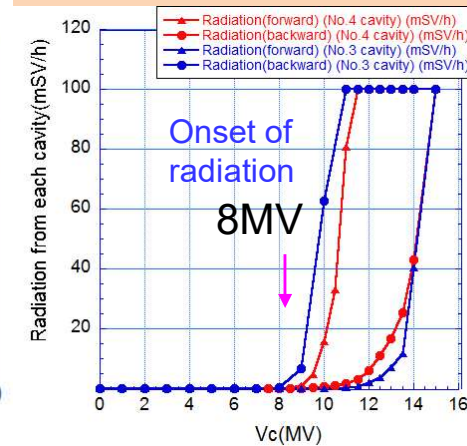
Some dusts would be contaminated during string assembly → problem



Results of VT of two ERL 9cell cavities.  
(No radiation below 14MV/m)



Degradation was observed in cryomodule high power test (V<sub>c</sub> = 1.038×E<sub>acc</sub>)



radiation monitors were set on both sides

For high field of more than 10MV, field emission is issue for main linac.

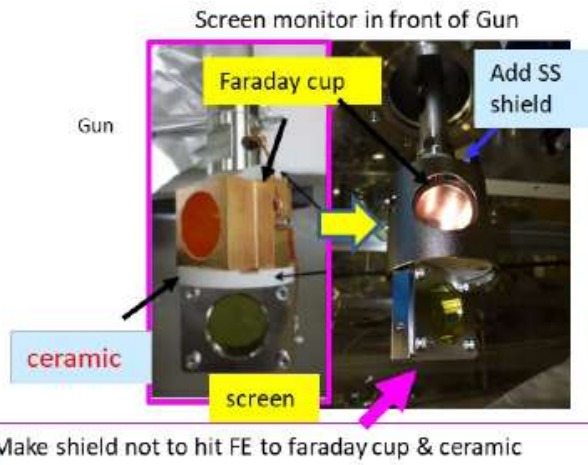
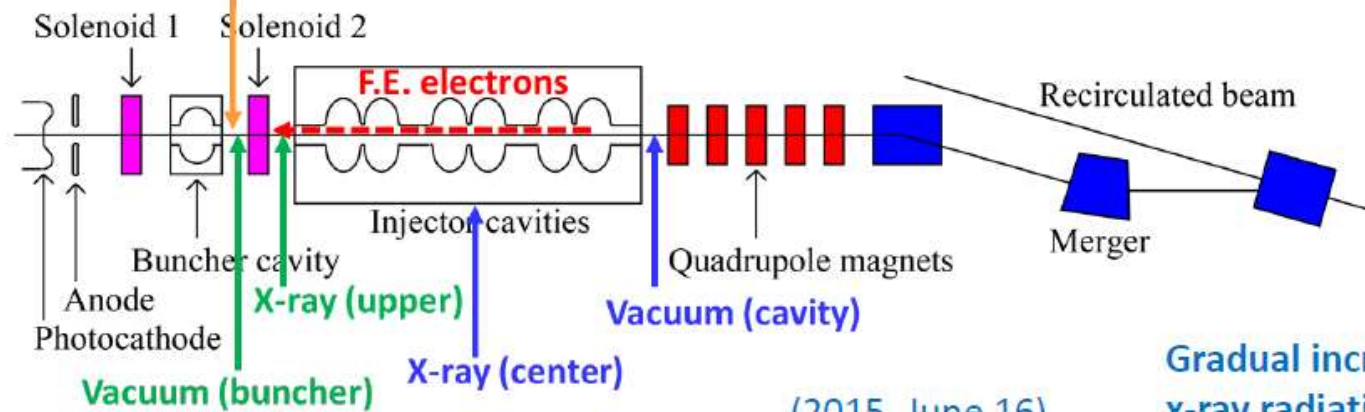
Operational issue and recovery of SRF



# Injector FE recovery from unexpected events

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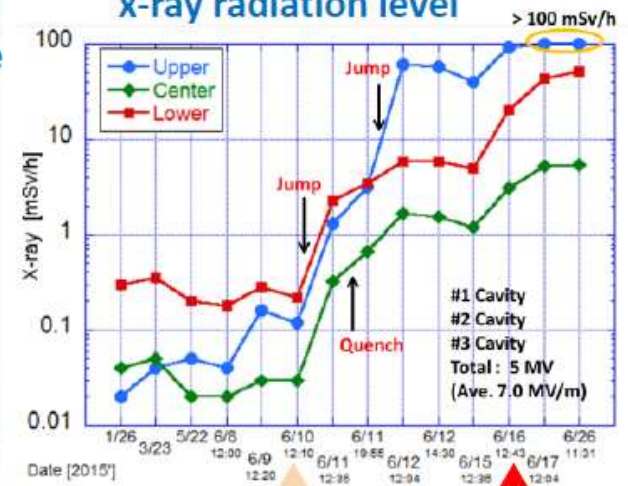
## Faraday cup / Screen monitor



(2015, June 16)  
Many bursts of vacuum pressure



## Gradual increase of x-ray radiation level



Vacuum discharge caused by charging-up of Faraday-cup due to field emitted electrons come from injector cavities.

1 week

(2015, June 16)

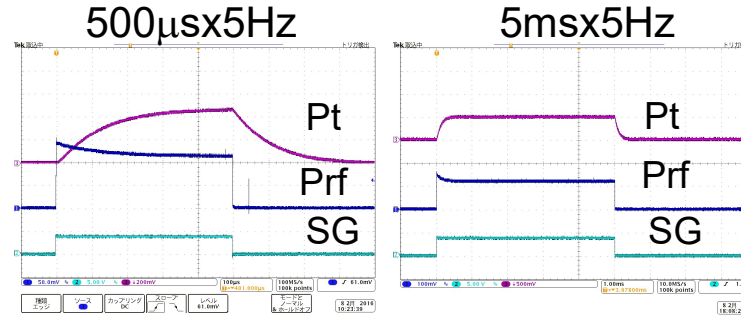
# Recovery by Pulse processing at injector cryomodule

See detail on IPAC16 [WEPMB013](#) & TTC meeting WG1 presented by E.Kako.

We carefully carried out the pulse processing by changing the pulse length from 0.5ms to 5ms and finally CW not to make the fatal damage to the cavity

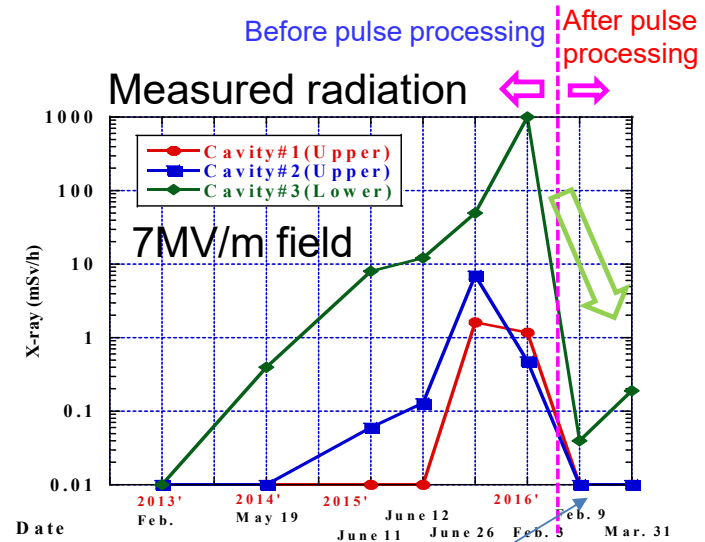
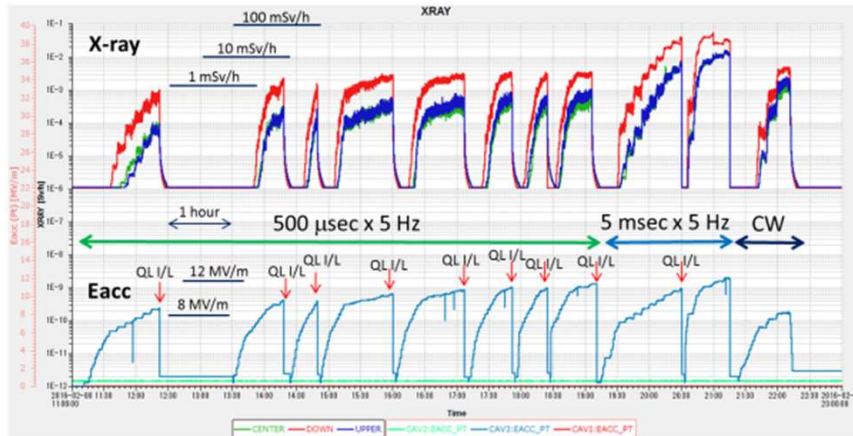
## RF conditions of pulse processing

	No.1 Cavity	No.2 Cavity	No.3 Cavity
$Q_L$	$1.2 \times 10^6$	$5.3 \times 10^5$	$5.4 \times 10^5$
filling time $\tau$	0.15 msec	0.07 msec	0.07 msec
Required RF power at 15 MV/m	12 kW	27 kW	27 kW
Required RF power at 20 MV/m	21 kW	47 kW	47 kW



Pulse shape (ex.: No.3 Cavity)

## History of pulse processing of No.3 injector Cavity(11 hours)



Quench protected by QL decay curve by LLRF

No field emission

By appropriate pulse processing, we drastically recover the cavity performance and do the 5MV operation in 2016.

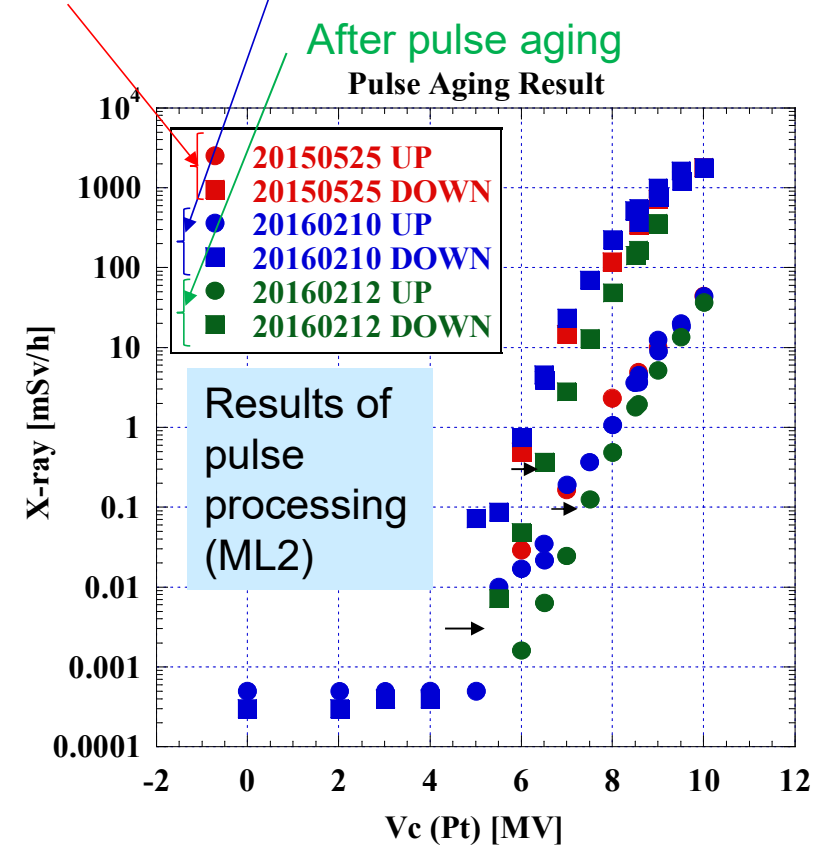
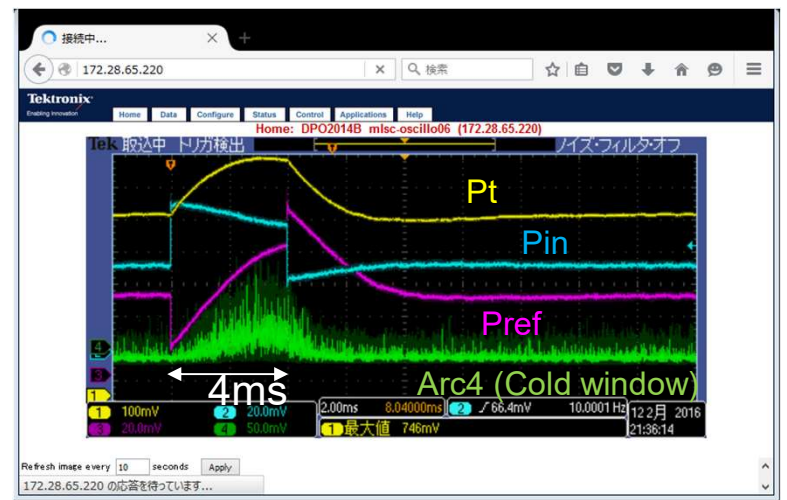
Even though sudden FE increased, high peak pulse processing worked well for injector cryomodule. → keep stable operation

Example of pulse processing for Main linac (ML2)

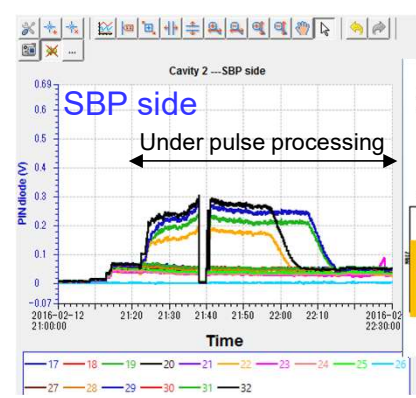
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Before pulse processing

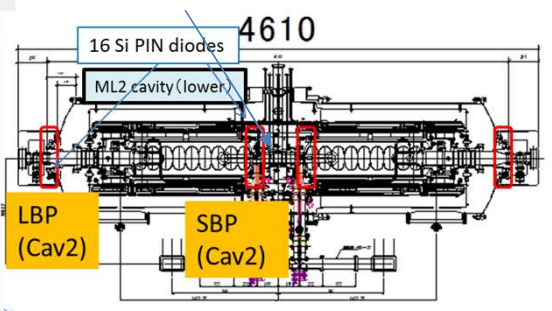
ML2 Pulse Aging (10Hz)  
 $V_c = 8.57\text{MV}(\text{CW}) + 2.3\text{MV}(10\text{Hz} \times 4\text{ms}) = 10.9\text{ MV}$   
 :40min pulse aging was done.



History of pulse processing: In ML, we were processing by monitoring side 32 PIN diodes



Arc sensor



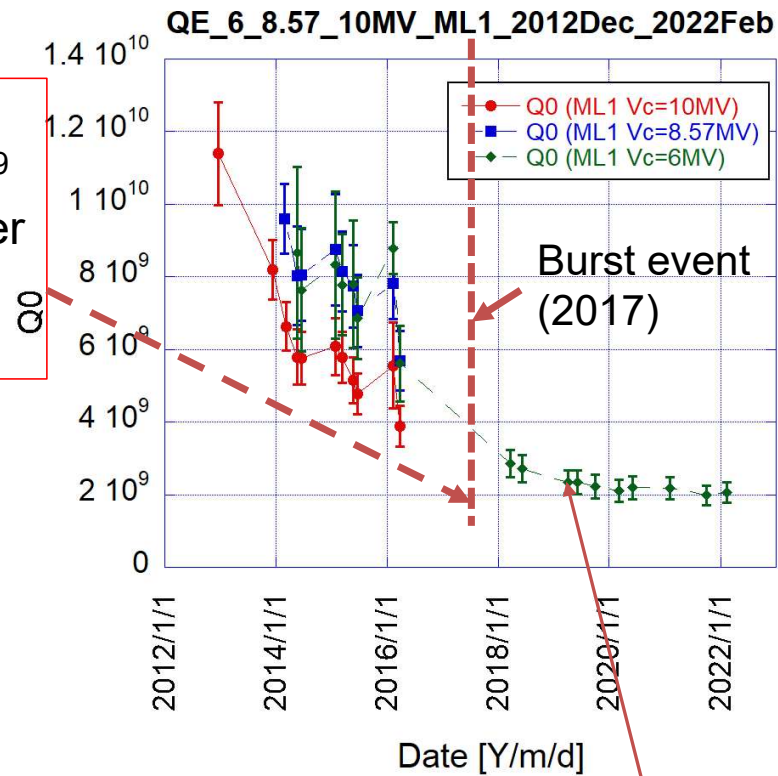
ML2 Vc vs ALOKA monitor

- Onset moved up 0.5 MV.
  - Radiation reduced half on same acc. field.
- Pulse processing works well.

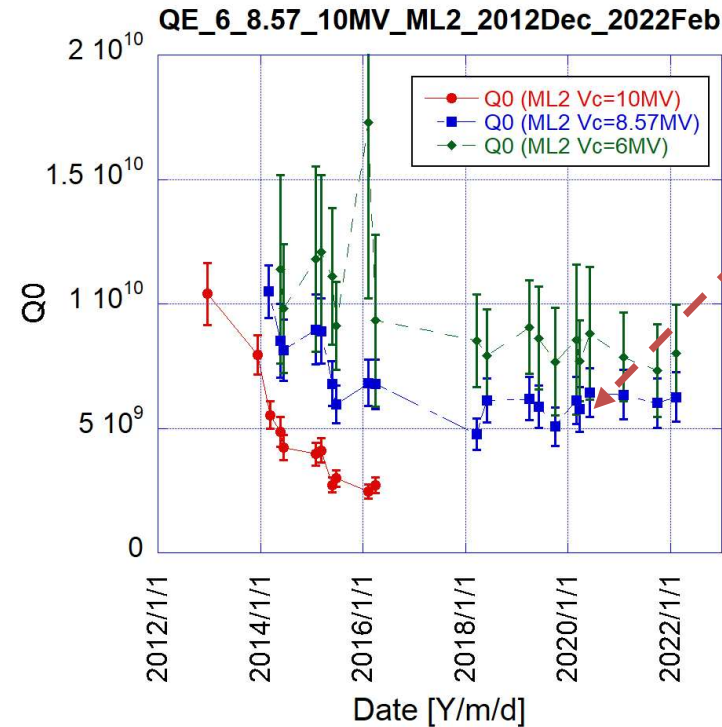


# Main linac Q-value history (2012.Dec. ~ 2022.Mar.)

## No.1 cavity



## No.2 cavity

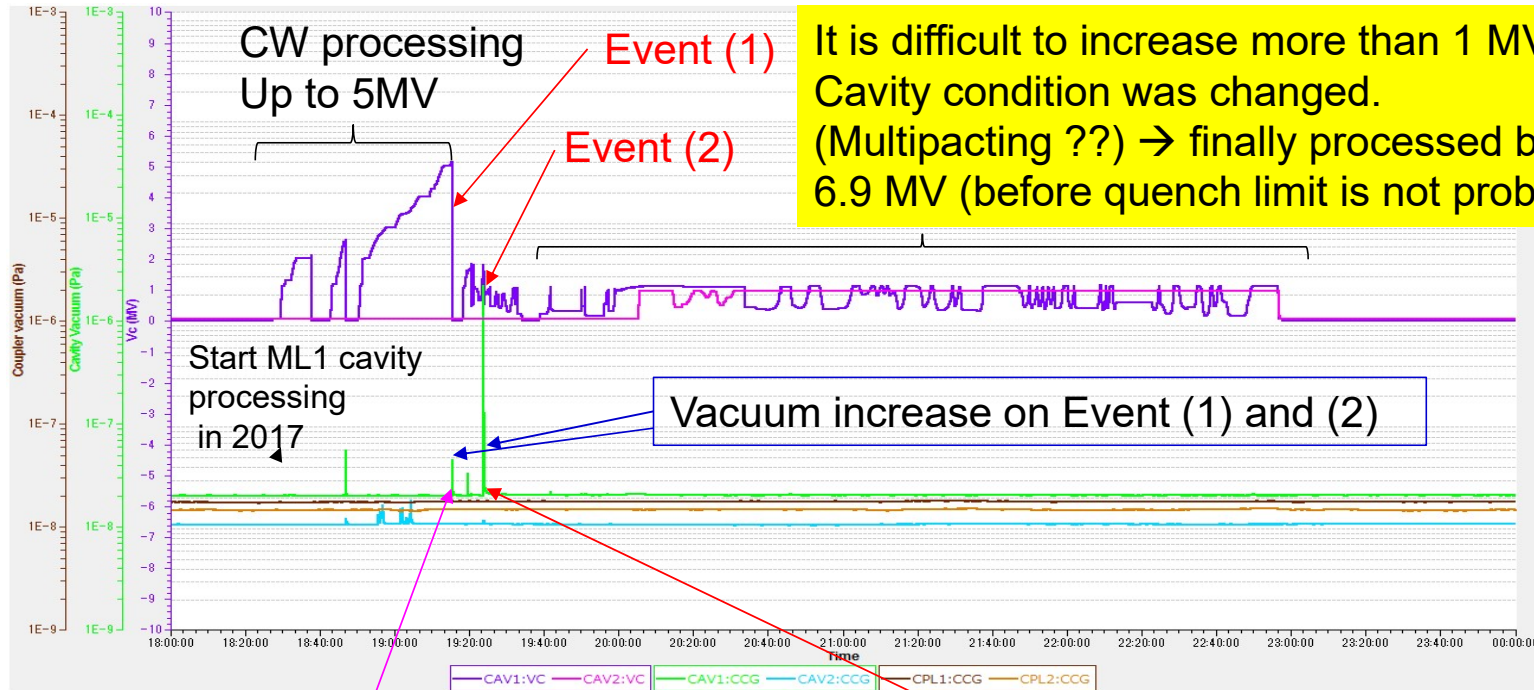


This Q-value is not determined by  $R_{BCS}$  but by  $R_{res}$ .

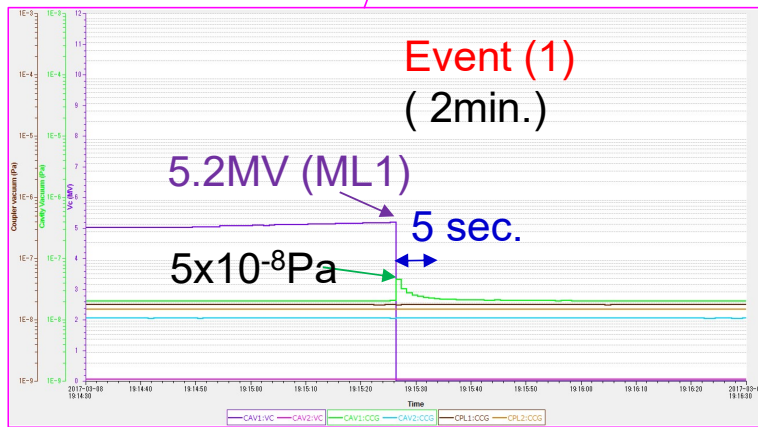
Due to the low Q-value of ML1, first we need to reduce the field down to 17.5 MeV in 2018.



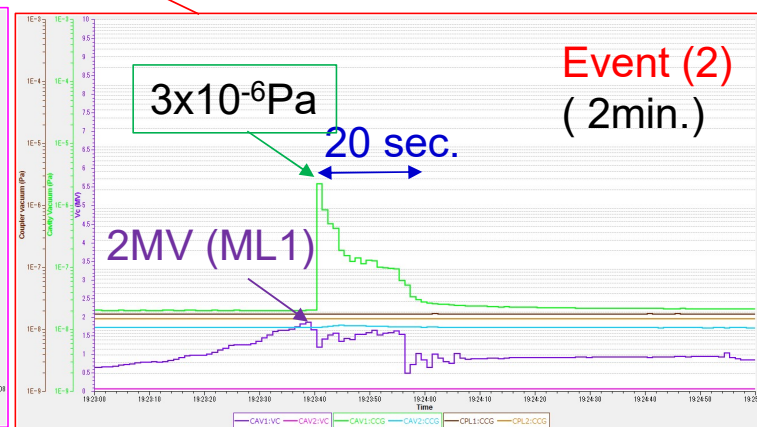
# ML1 under cavity processing on March 2017



It is difficult to increase more than 1 MV. Cavity condition was changed. (Multipacting ??) → finally processed but quenched 6.9 MV (before quench limit is not problem)



Some explosion occurred ??



It is difficult to overcome the quench field

ITL lists and what happen during arc events in main linac

### ITL lists

Sensor	ITL level	ITL response	ITL use
RF input(Pin)/refrection(Pref)	5 kW	1-10 $\mu$ s	RF OFF ITL
加速電圧(P)	9.2 MV(8.6 MV運転時)	1-10 $\mu$ s	RF OFF ITL
ARC sensor	Sensitive	1-10 $\mu$ s	RF OFF ITL
Vacuum	1.0E-5Pa(Cavity & Coupler)	100 -500 ms	RF OFF ITL/GV CLOSE
He	3.05 kPa	100 -500 ms	RF OFF ITL
Potentiometer	-		Only for measuring
Load cell	-		Only for measuring
Temperature	-		Only for measuring

Quench is protected Pt decay

Warm window 2 arc events :

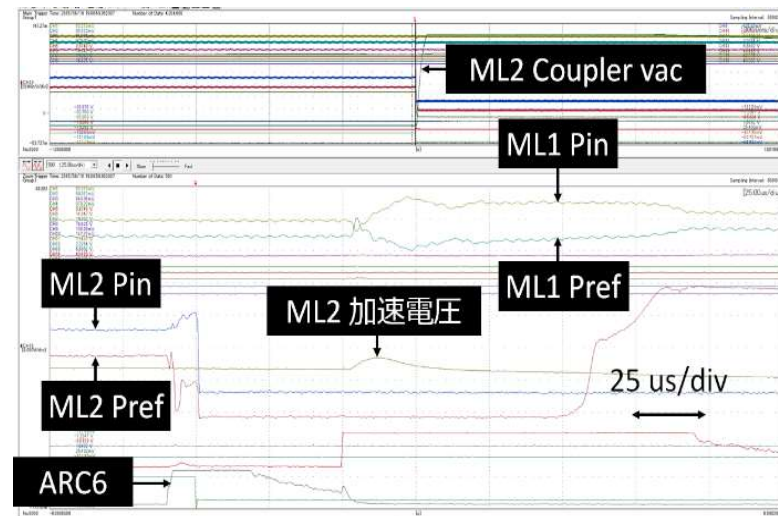
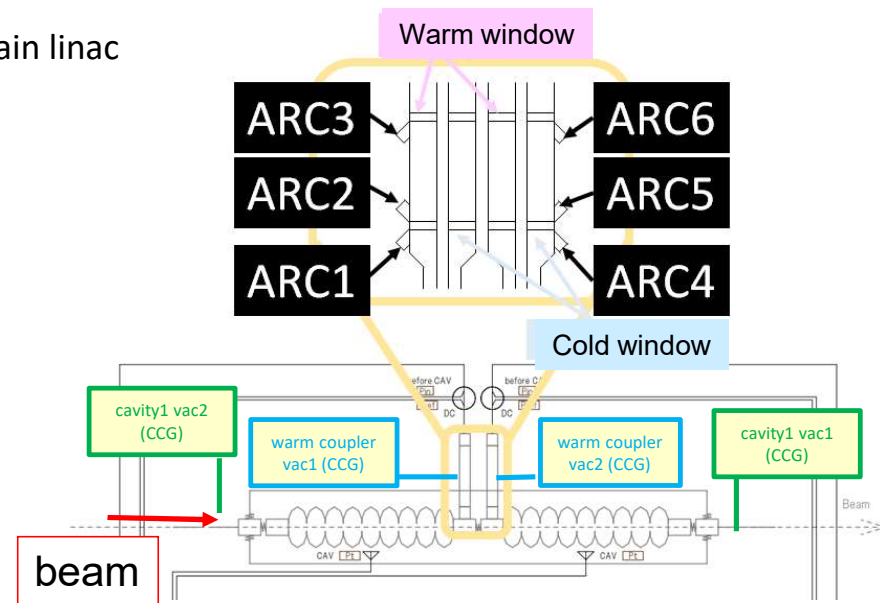
Discharge 9 $\mu$ s keep  $\rightarrow$  RF off ITL

On the other hand vacuum of warm window became worse after 100ms.  $\rightarrow$  vacuum event is very slow.



Arc sensor is very important to quickly prevent the break of ceramic window from the discharge event.

For CW operation like ERL, it is important to make fast ITL.

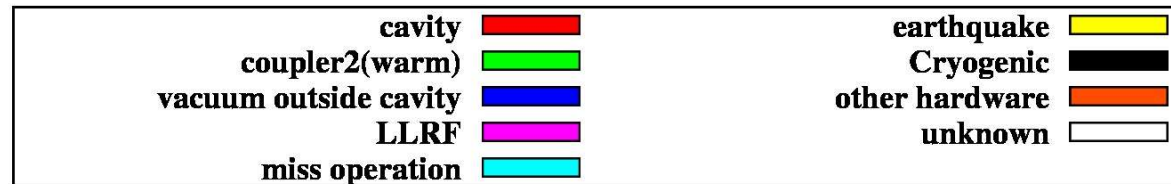


2015.Jun.18 19:00 event of arc6 and vac warm window.

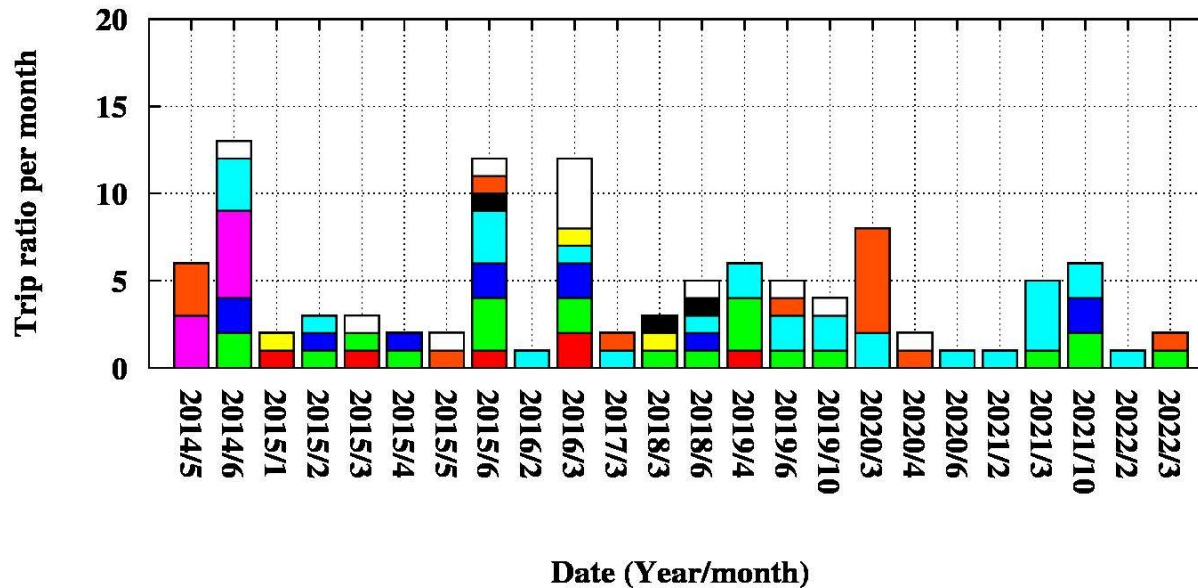
# Trip statics of main linac (2014.May~2022.Mar.)

Mainly trips were occurred by mis operation and warm coupler window arc event.

This warm coupler arc event were occurred per month. → it is very important for arc sensor



Trip statics of cERL Main Linac Cavity



There were a few trip per month concerning about cavity due to optimum operating field and processing.

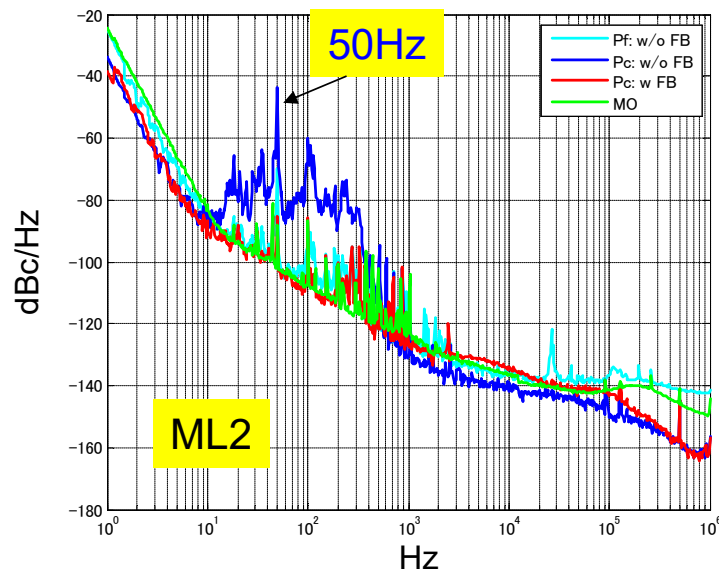


# Phase noise jitter measurement using Signal Source Analyzer (Microphonics)

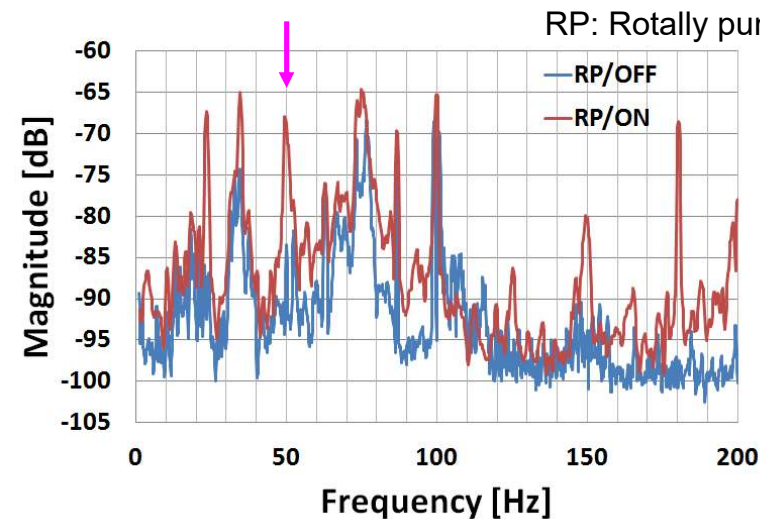
T. Miura, IPAC2014 @Dresden

Agilent E5052B

M.Egi, PASJ2016 (MOP025)



Vibrational state of "floor" around Main Linac



Vc Phase Noise with RF FB (10Hz-1MHz)=0.017deg  
Vc Phase Noise w/o RF FB (10Hz- 1MHz)=0.73 deg

Microphonics is observed at 10 Hz - 400Hz.

Phase noise by Microphonics was suppressed well by RF FB.

Phase noise of Vc with FB was almost the same as that of Master Oscillator.



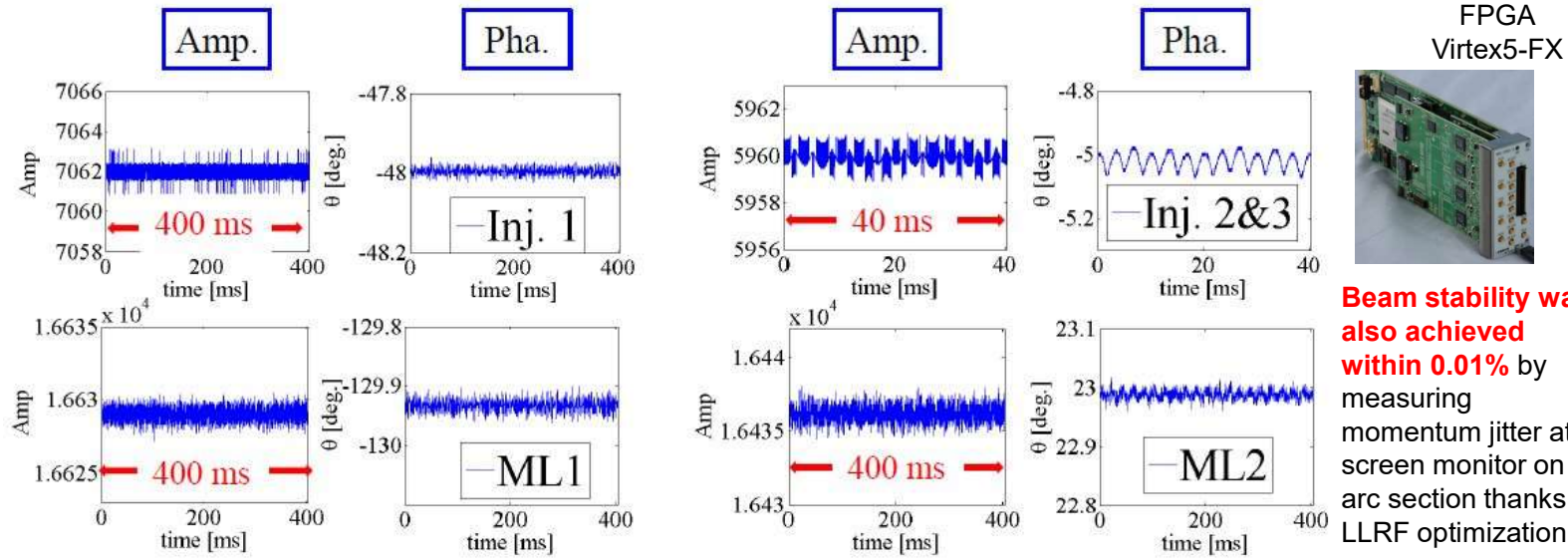
The rubber sheet was inserted under the scroll pump.  
The 50 Hz vibration is suppressed.



# Power & LLRF stability in beam operation

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Satisfy our requirements of  $\Delta A/A < 0.01\%$  ,  $\Delta\theta \sim 0.01$  deg for cERL operation. Suppress microphonics.



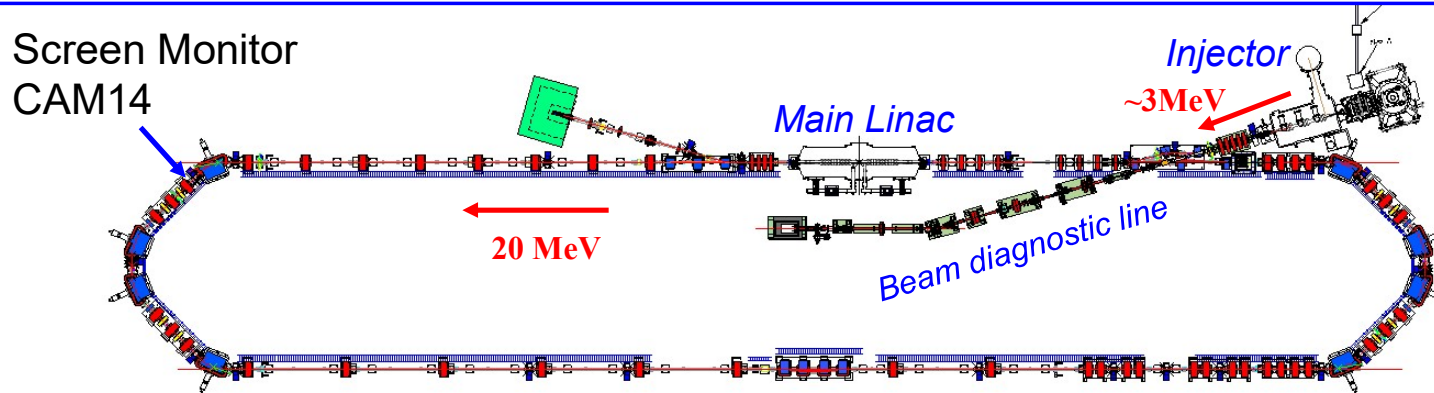
**Beam stability was also achieved within 0.01%** by measuring momentum jitter at screen monitor on arc section thanks to LLRF optimization

SC Cavity	Inj1(2cell)	Inj2(2cell)	Inj3(2cell)	ML1(9cell)	ML2(9cell)
Acc. Field	3.2MV/m	3.3MV/m	3.0MV/m	8.3MV/m	8.3MV/m
power	0.53kW	1.4kW	1.0kW	1.6kW	2kW
Power source	25 kW klystron	300kW klystron (Vector sum)		16 kW solid state Amp	8kW solid state Amp
QL	1.2e6	5.8e5	4.8e5	1.3e7	1.0e7
$\Delta A/A$ (% rms)	0.006%	0.007%		0.003%	0.003%
$\Delta\theta$ (deg rms)	0.009deg	0.025deg		0.010deg	0.007deg



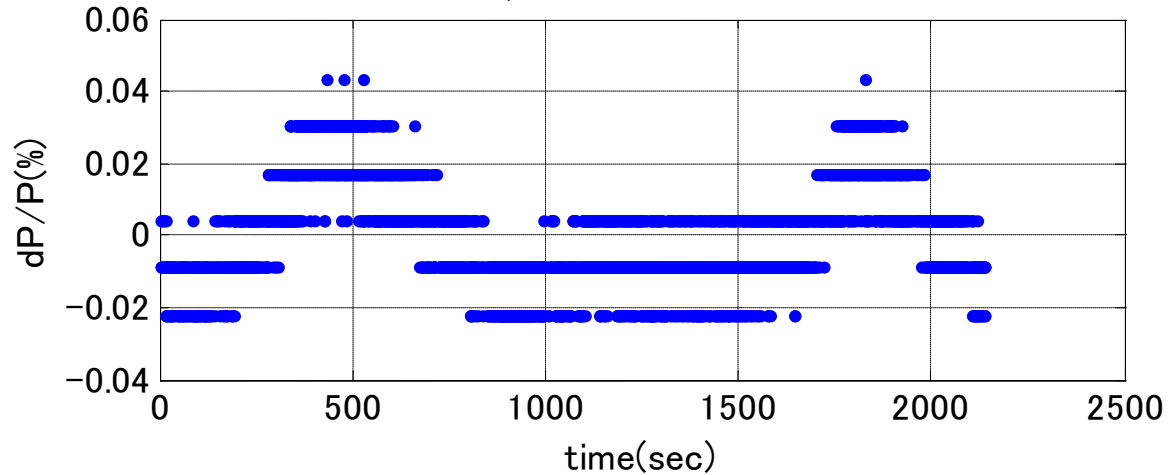
# Stability of Beam Momentum

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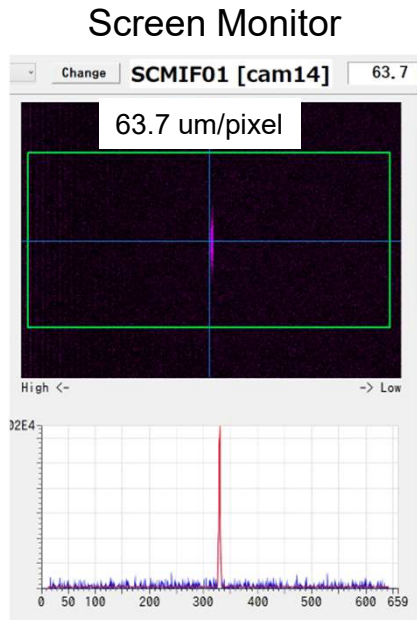


Dispersion :  $\eta_x = 0.487\text{m}$   
Beam: 5Hz, 3ps rms, 23 fC, total Energy=19.9 MeV

$dP/P = 0.013115\% \text{rms}$



Thanks to this stability, we could FEL operation.

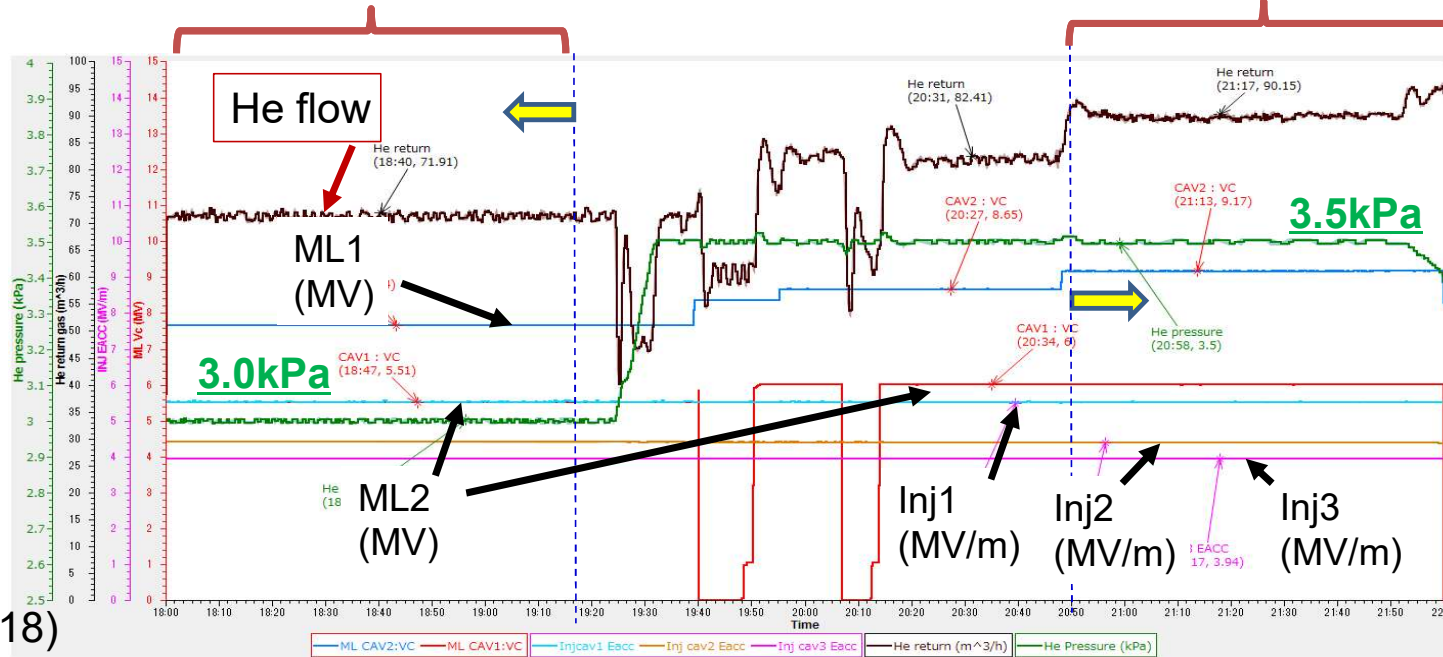


Momentum drift in the period of ~15 minutes was observed.

## Total performance after changing He pressure

(17.5MeV operation)

(19.5MeV operation)



3.0 kPa : 1.99 K

3.5 kPa : 2.04 K

If  $R_s$  is dominated by  $R_{res}$ , we have little difference of  $R_s$  between 3.0 kPa and 3.5 kPa.

On the other hand, actual cryo capacity is linear to the pressure of the He pressure tank. In our case

3.0 kPa : 85 m<sup>3</sup>/h

3.5 kPa: 99 m<sup>3</sup>/h

We tried to change the He pressure from 3.0 kPa to 3.5 kPa and tried higher energy operation.

(2019/6/18)

Total energy	INj1(MV/m)	INj2(MV/m)	INJ3(MV/m)	ML1(MV)	ML2(MV)	He pressure	He flow
17.5 MeV	5.49	4.38	3.49	5.5	7.65	3.0 kPa	71.9 m <sup>3</sup> /h
19.5 MeV	5.49	4.38	3.49	6	9.15	3.5 kPa	90.2 m <sup>3</sup> /h

Injector 4 MeV operation

19.5MeV operation, we could keep more than 1 hour by changing He pressure.

From this test, we will operate under 3.5 kPa and can increase the beam energy 19.5 MeV again.  
 → obtain more margin for stable beam operation.

## Summary

- Injecto cryomodule is limited by HOM heating and main linac was limited by FE.
  - By **appropriate pulse processing**, injector cavity performance were **drastically improved** in 2016 and we successfully carried out stable beam operation.
  - The performance of ML SC cavities **were gradually degraded by field emission** from 2013. But by appropriate pulse processing, **cavity performance were kept** and we successfully carried out stable beam operation even though we met the unexpected burst event in 2017.
  - Fast arc interlock is very important to keep long term beam operation.
  - RF stability of 0.01% of dA/A and 0.01 deg were performed under  $1 \cdot 10^7$  QL. And beam was very stable. Microphynics was suppressed.
- lead SASE-FEL operation
- **3.5 kPa cryogenic control** enlarge the cryogenic performance keep stable beam operation.

## Next plan

- We also plan to make the new cryomodule with new **9cell cavities** to overcome field emission problem with higher gradient for EUV-FEL and/or CW-XFEL.



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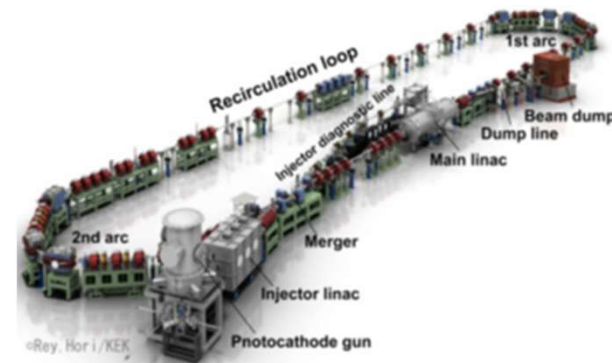
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## Injector module

2-cell cavity × 3  
Double coupler

RF frequency: 1.3 GHz

Input power :

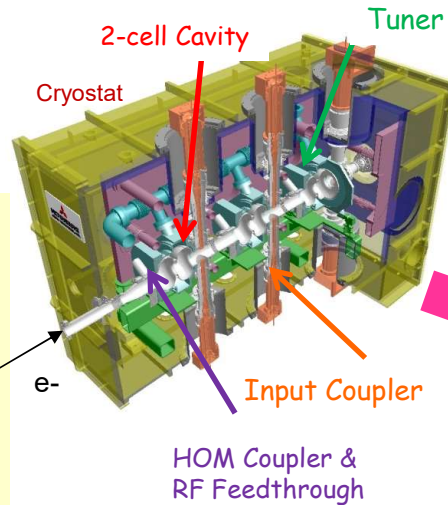
10kW/coupler (10mA, 5MeV)

180kW/coupler (100mA, 10MeV)

$E_{acc}$ : 7.6MV/m (5MeV)

15MV/m (10MeV)

Unloaded-Q:  $Q_0 > 1 \times 10^{10}$



## A) Apparatus of cERL injector & main linac cryomodule

Assembling in Jun/2012

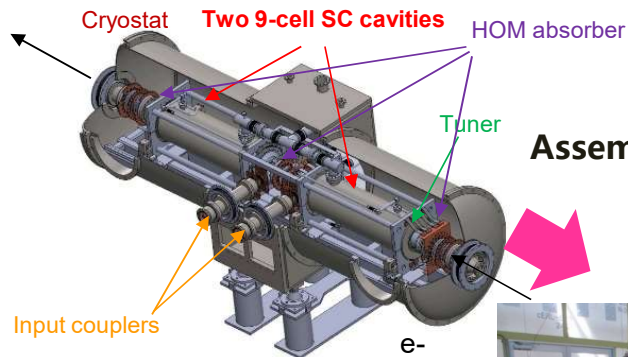


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Install in Jul/2012  
to cERL  
High power test  
Jan/2013  
commissioning  
Apr/2013

## Main linac module

HOM damped (for 100mA BBU suppression)  
9-cell cavity (named as ERL-model2) × 2



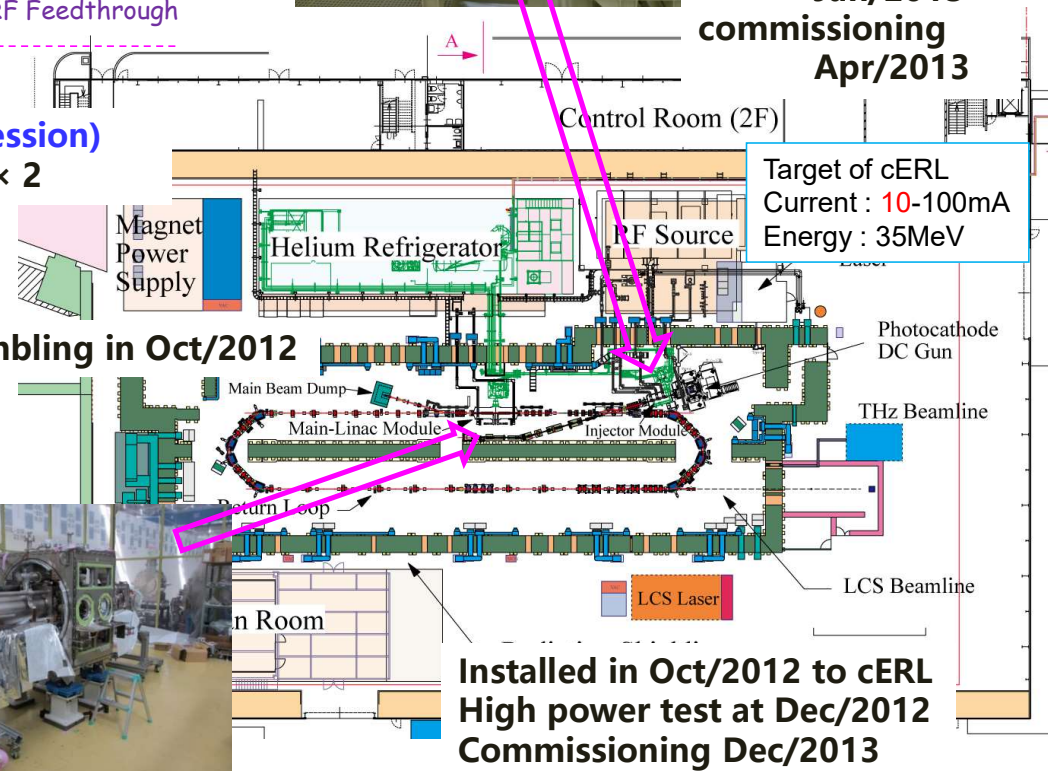
RF frequency: 1.3 GHz

Input power : 20kW CW (SW)

$E_{acc}$ : 15 MV/m (design)

Unloaded-Q:  $Q_0 > 1 \times 10^{10}$

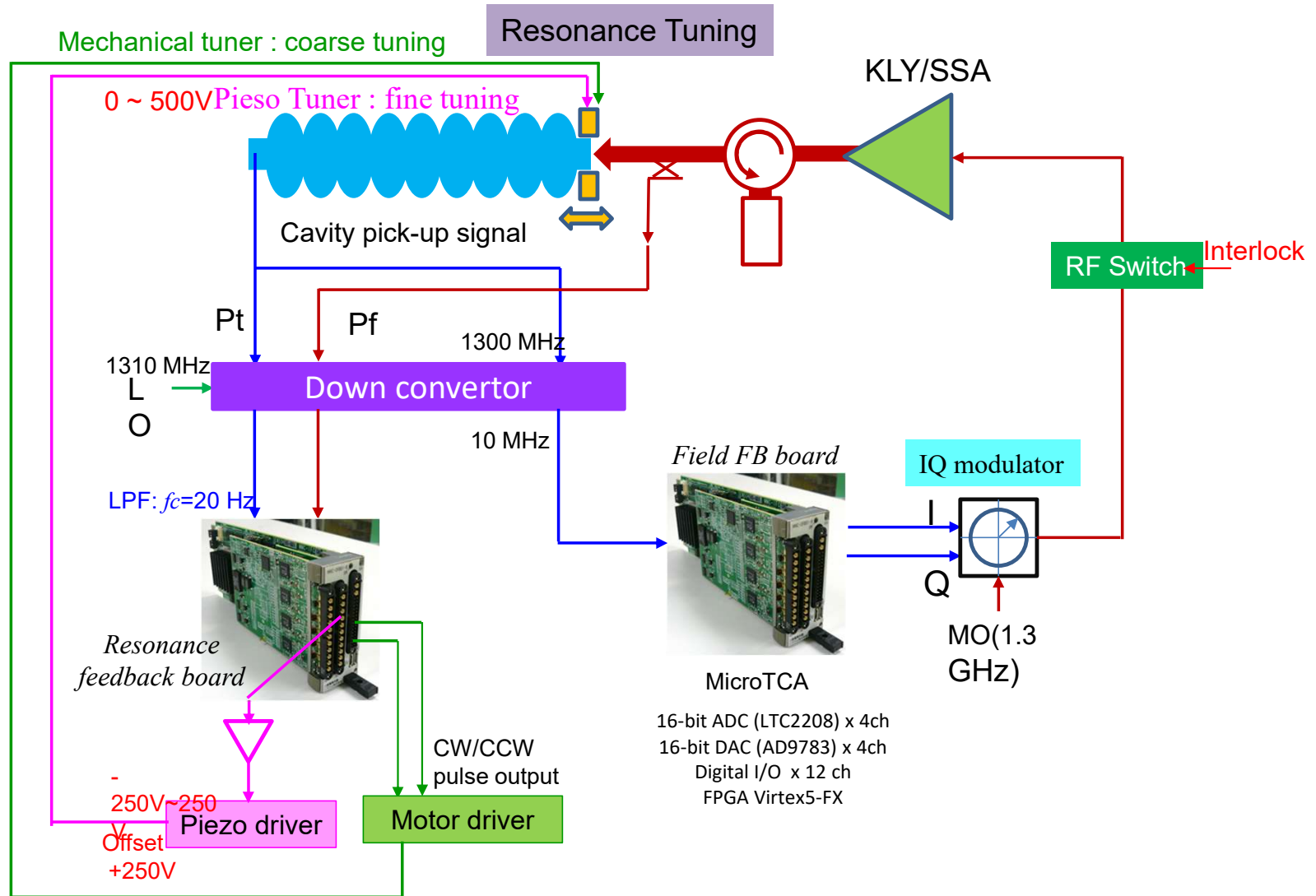
Assembling in Oct/2012



Installed in Oct/2012 to cERL  
High power test at Dec/2012  
Commissioning Dec/2013



# Digital LLRF System at cERL





# Waveform of ML Cavities

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**ML1**

$\Delta A = 0.012\%$  rms  
 $\Delta \theta = 0.014^\circ$  rms

$\Delta A = 0.035\%$  rms  
 $\Delta \theta = 0.3^\circ$  rms

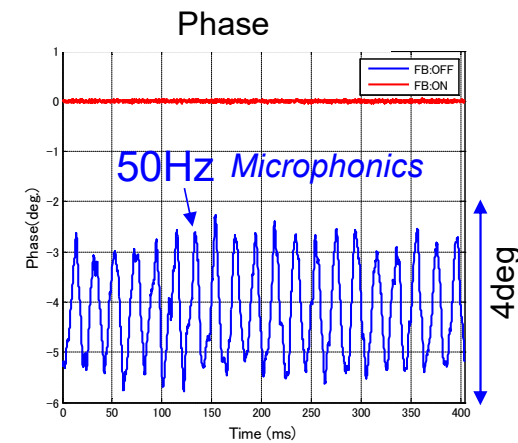
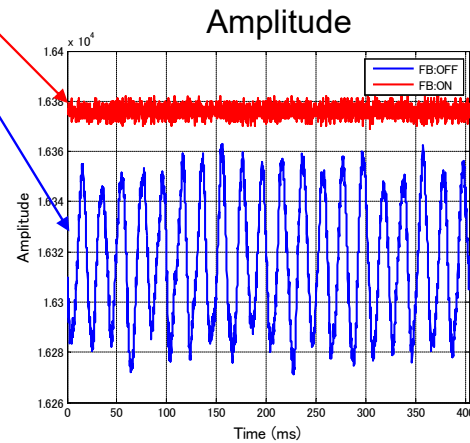
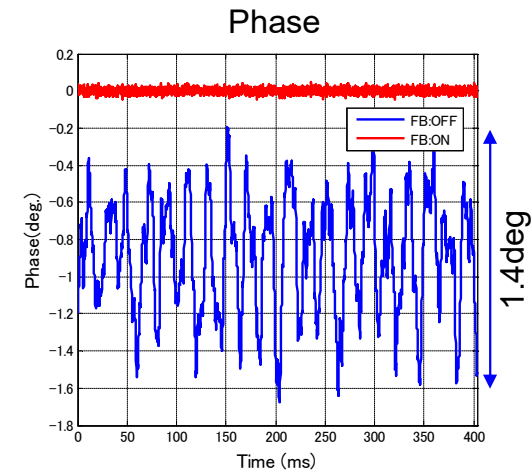
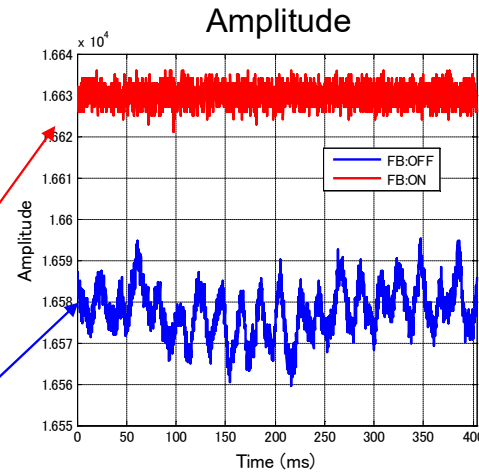
Vc: w field Feedback

Vc: w/o field Feedback

**ML2**

$\Delta A = 0.013\%$  rms  
 $\Delta \theta = 0.015^\circ$  rms

$\Delta A = 0.15\%$  rms  
 $\Delta \theta = 0.6^\circ$  rms

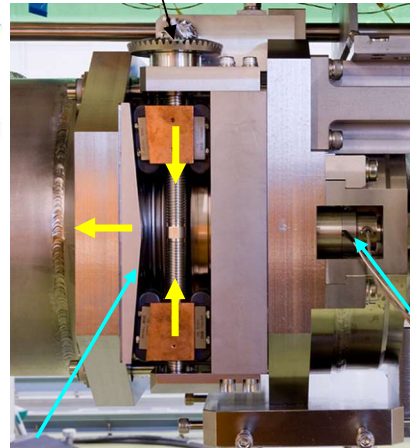
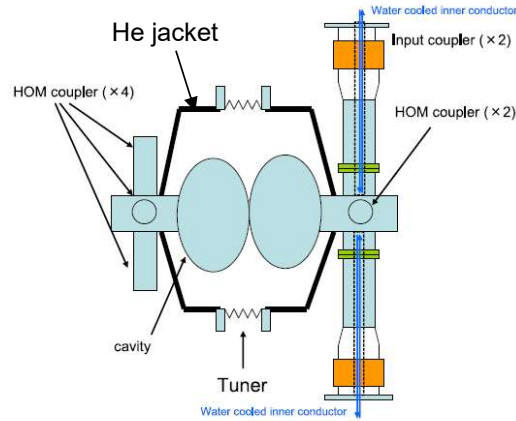


Field fluctuation by Microphonics is stabilized by RF Feedback



# Tuner system of Injector Linac

## Slide-Jack tuner

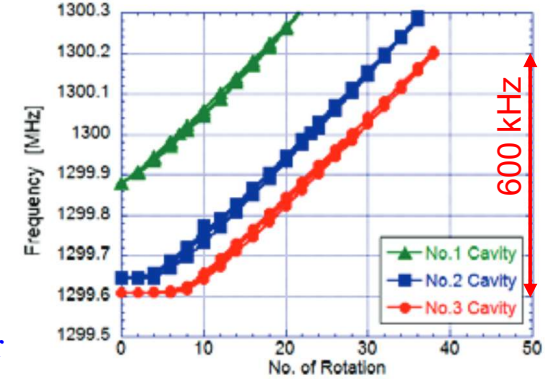


Taper

The same as KEK-STF tuner system

E. Kako, IPAC2013

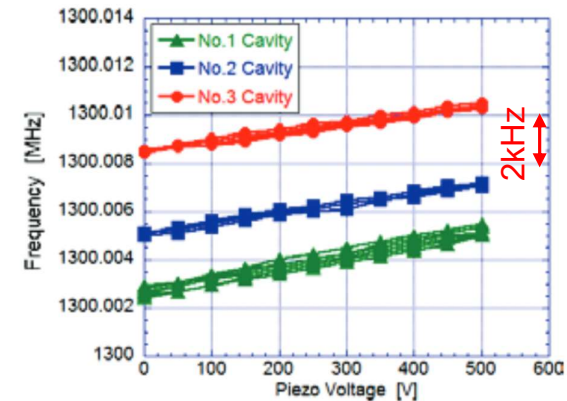
20 kHz/rotation



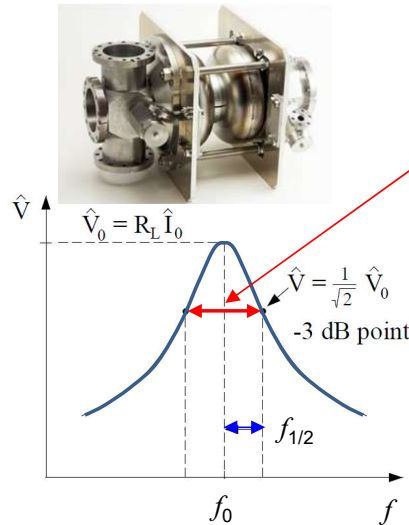
performance of slide-jack tuner

Piezo tuner  
0-500V  
stroke= 4  $\mu\text{m}$ @2K

Piezo: 0-500V => 2 kHz



performance of piezo tuner



$$2\Delta f_{1/2} = f_0 / Q_L$$

**Inj1:  $Q_L = 1.2 \times 10^6$ ,  $2\Delta f_{1/2} = 1.1$  kHz**  
**Inj2:  $Q_L = 5.8 \times 10^5$ ,  $2\Delta f_{1/2} = 2.2$  kHz**  
**Inj3:  $Q_L = 4.8 \times 10^5$ ,  $2\Delta f_{1/2} = 2.7$  kHz**

Piezo tuner can cover the band width.



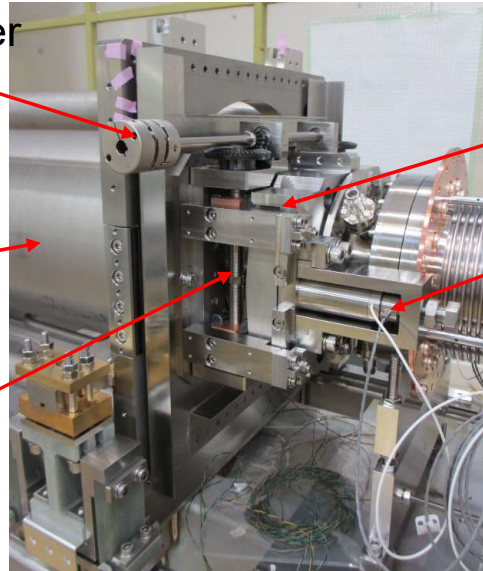
# Tuner system of Main Linac

H. Sakai, SRF2013 @Paris

Shaft of slide-jack tuner

He jacket

Slide-jack tuner



Cavity flange is fixed here

Piezo tuner

0V - 500V (offset=250V)

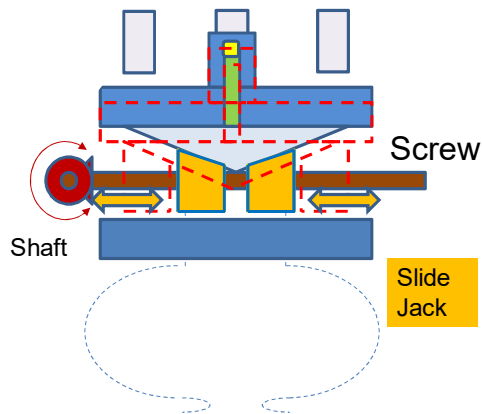
Stroke= 4  $\mu\text{m}$  @ 2K

40  $\mu\text{m}$  @ 300K

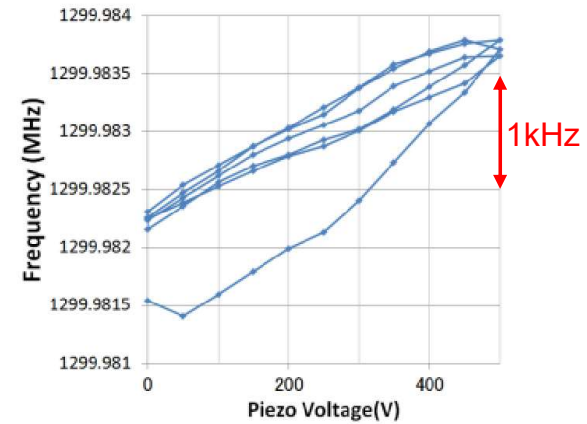
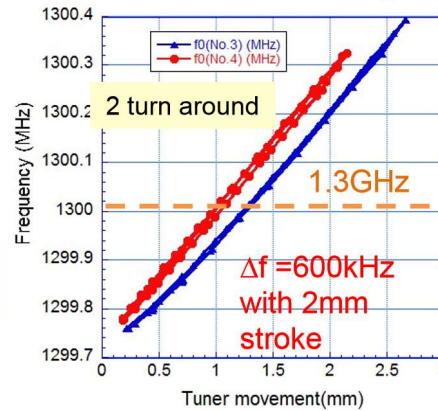
(1  $\mu\text{m}$ : 300Hz)

$$Q_L = 1 \times 10^7$$

$$2\Delta f_{1/2} = f_0 / Q_L = 130 \text{ Hz}$$



Coarse mechanical tuner stroke @ 2K

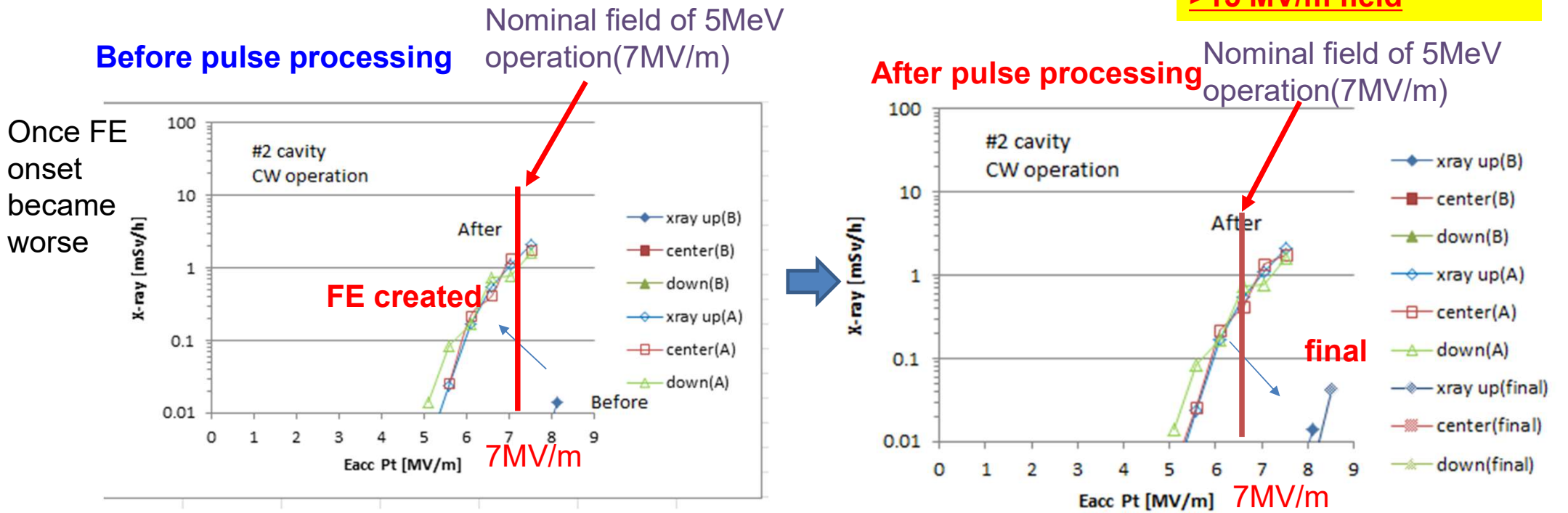


# Recovery by pulse processing of injector cavity under sudden FE increase

Courtesy of E.Kako

During 3 years operation, once we met sudden FE increase on 2020.June.18.  
 -> It is difficult to operate when FE onset was decreased below 7 MV/m.

Pulse processing condition  
**0.5ms & 5ms with 10Hz**  
**>15 MV/m field**



After pulse processing, field emission onset recovered to more than 8MV/m , higher than nominal value.

Even though sudden FE increased, high peak pulse processing worked well for injector cryom  
 → keep stable operation

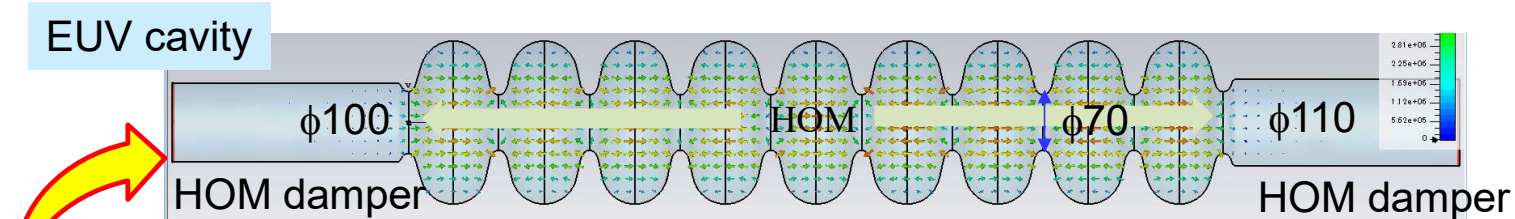


# Design of Main Linac Cavity for EUV-FEL

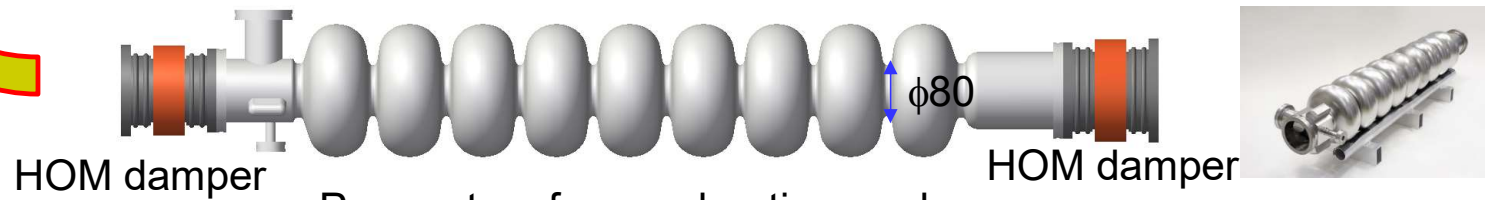
How to overcome field emission

EUV cavity – TESLA-type 9-cell cavity + Large beam pipes(100φ & 110φ)

Only end cell was modified to match the impedance to beam pipe.



cERL cavity (Model 2) – HOM damped cavity for 100mA operation



Parameters for acceleration mode

	ERL Model 2	EUV		ERL Model 2	EUV
Frequency	1300 MHz	<b>1300 MHz</b>	Iris diameter	80 mm	70 mm
$R_{sh}/Q$	897 $\Omega$	<b>~1000 <math>\Omega</math></b>	$Q_o \times R_s$	289 $\Omega$	~270 $\Omega$
$E_p/E_{acc}$	3.0	<b>~2.0</b>	$H_p/E_{acc}$	42.5 Oe/(MV/m)	~42.0 Oe/(MV/m)

From cERL stable beam operation of **8.3 MV/m in 3 years** with less trip ratio.  
 Stable operation at **12.5 MV/m** seems achievable due to reduced  $E_p/E_{acc}$ .