

# Primary and Secondary Beam Stabilization at the ELBE User Facility

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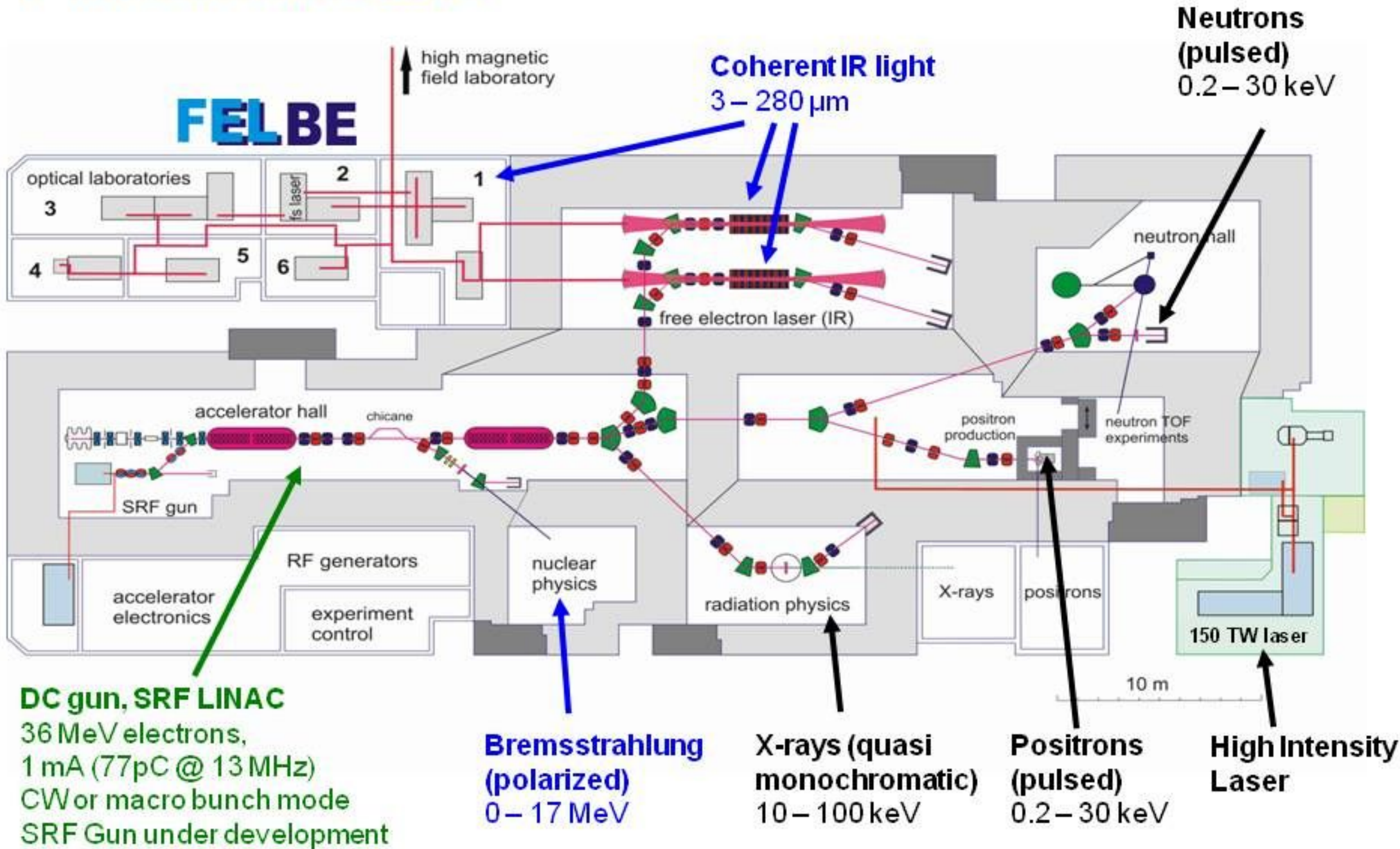
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# 1 Introduction to ELBE



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**FELBE**



# 1 Introduction to ELBE: History

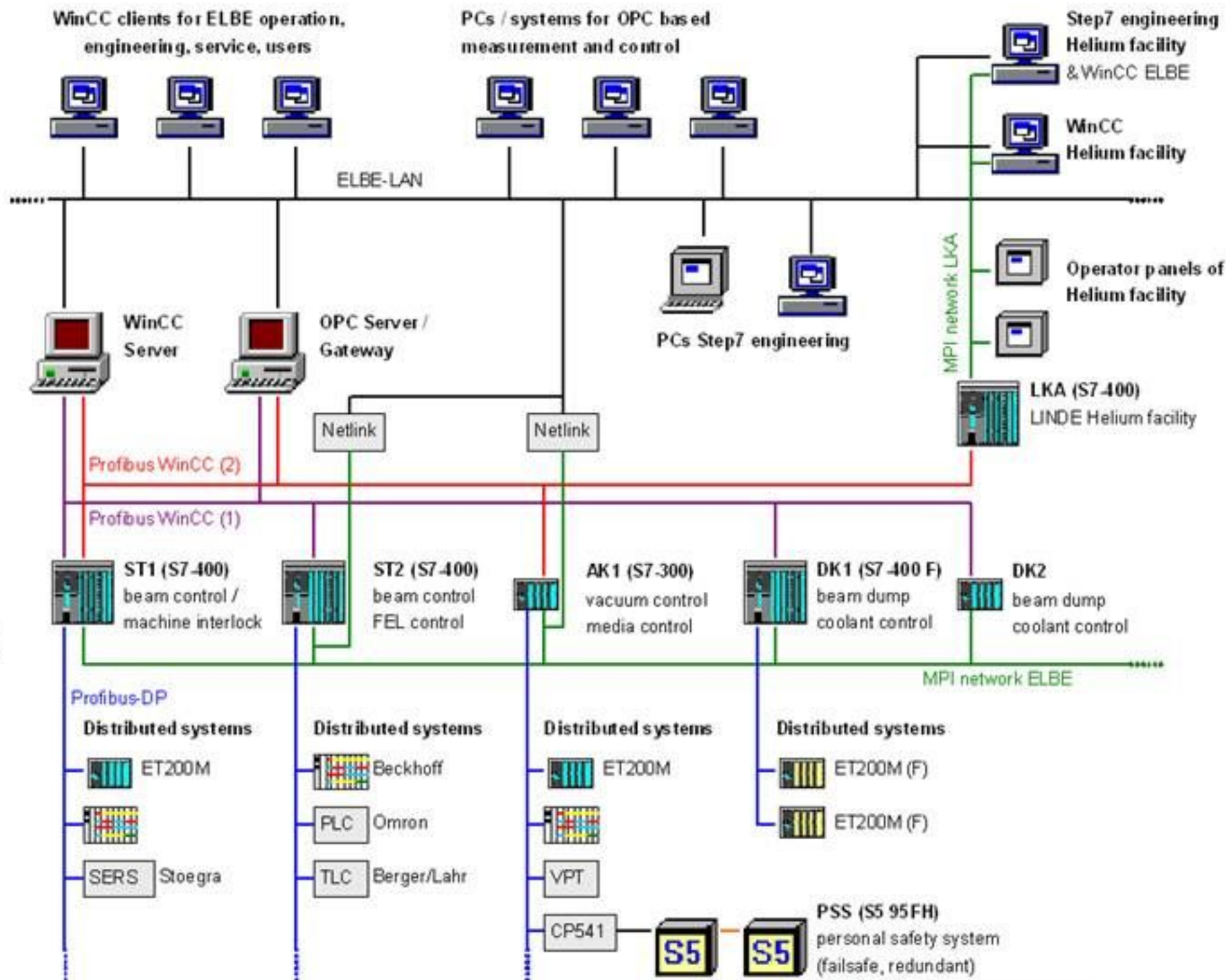
		user operation
2010	Begin of ELBE upgrade Laser acceleration first tests (scheduled) SRF-Gun @ELBE (scheduled)	24 / 7
<b>2008</b>	position source operation – <b>ELBE finished</b>	
<b>2007</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> beam SRF-Gun (standalone)</b> photo neutron source	24 / 5
2006	FEL II (U100, 20...280µm)	
2005	2nd Accelerator module	
2004	FEL I (U27, 3..22µm)	
2003	channeling X-rays user operation	2 shifts, 5 days
2002	Bremsstrahlung user operation	1 shift, 5 days
<b>2001</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> beam</b>	
2000	injector operation (DC gun)	
1998	cornerstone	

# 1 ELBE – Introduction: Control System

- PLC layer  
Simatic S7 ®
- Fieldbus interconnection
- SCADA layer  
WinCC® server / client system

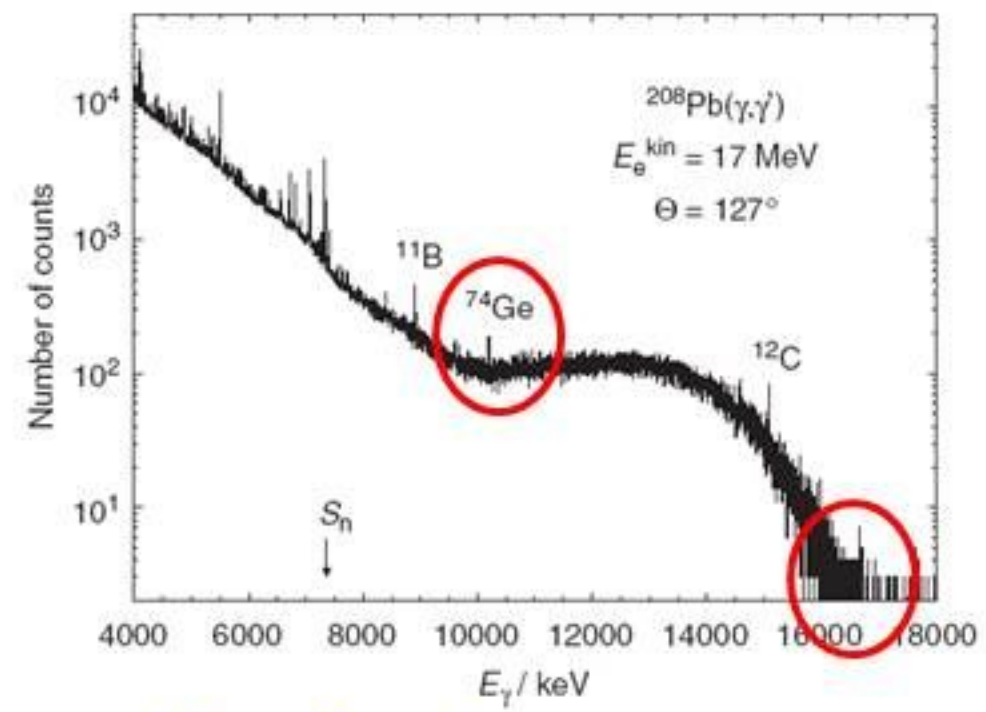
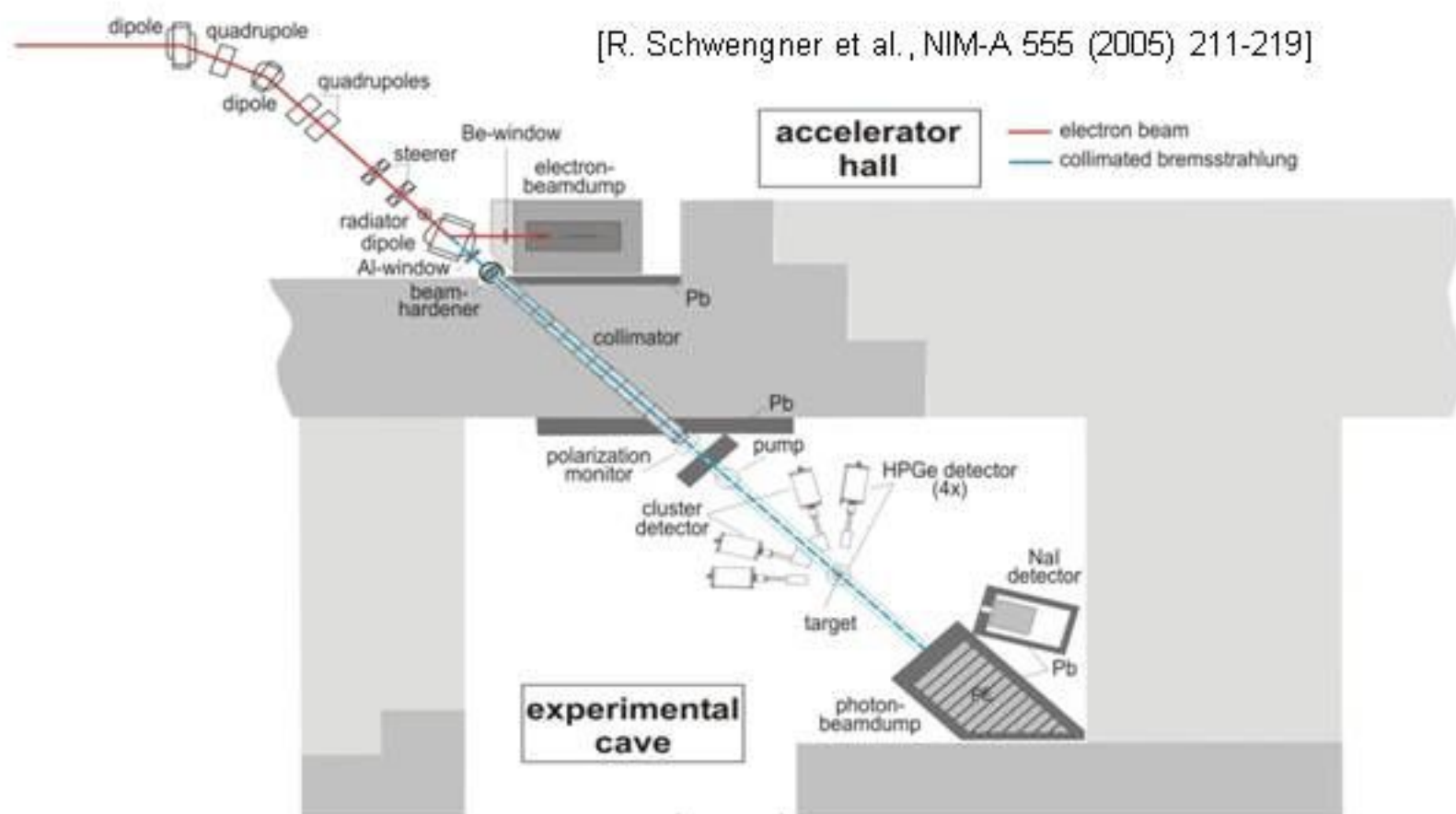
not depicted:

- fast DAQ (BPM, BLM,...)
  - user interfaces
- use OPC connection



## 2 Beam stability demands

- resulting photon-nucleus interaction spectra at the Bremsstrahlung facility are determined by Bremsstrahlung spectrum
- high spectral resolution and accuracy only achievable by constant electron beam energy, low energy spread and sufficient statistics
- $dE/E \sim 10^{-3}$  is required



### Experiments:

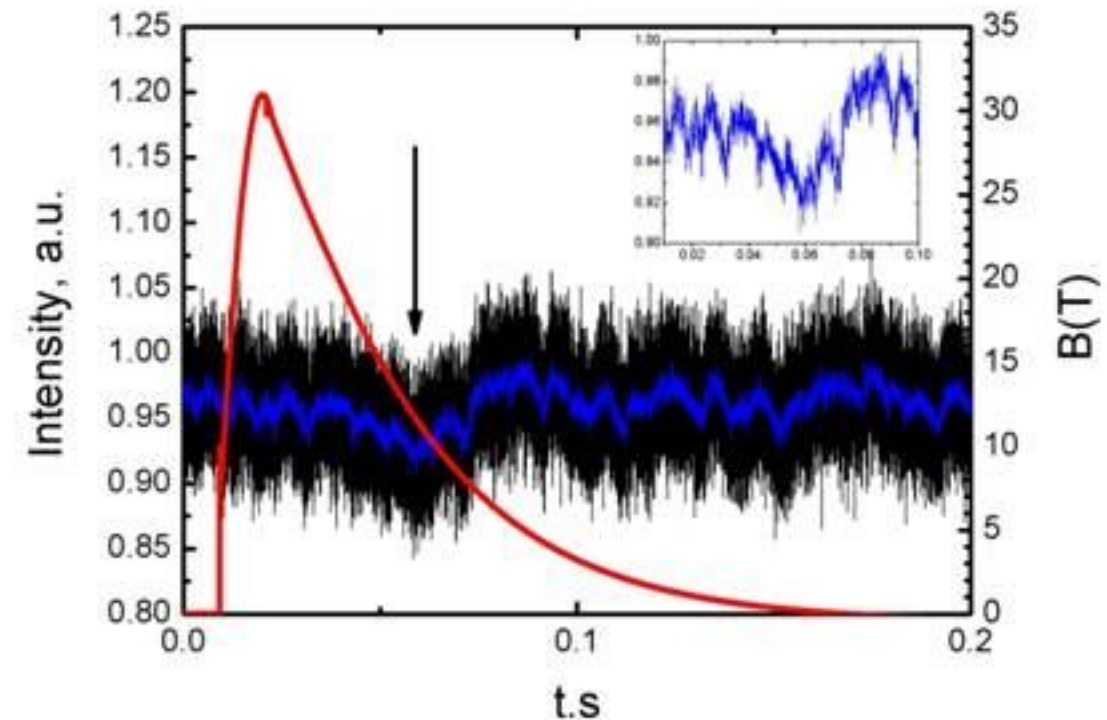
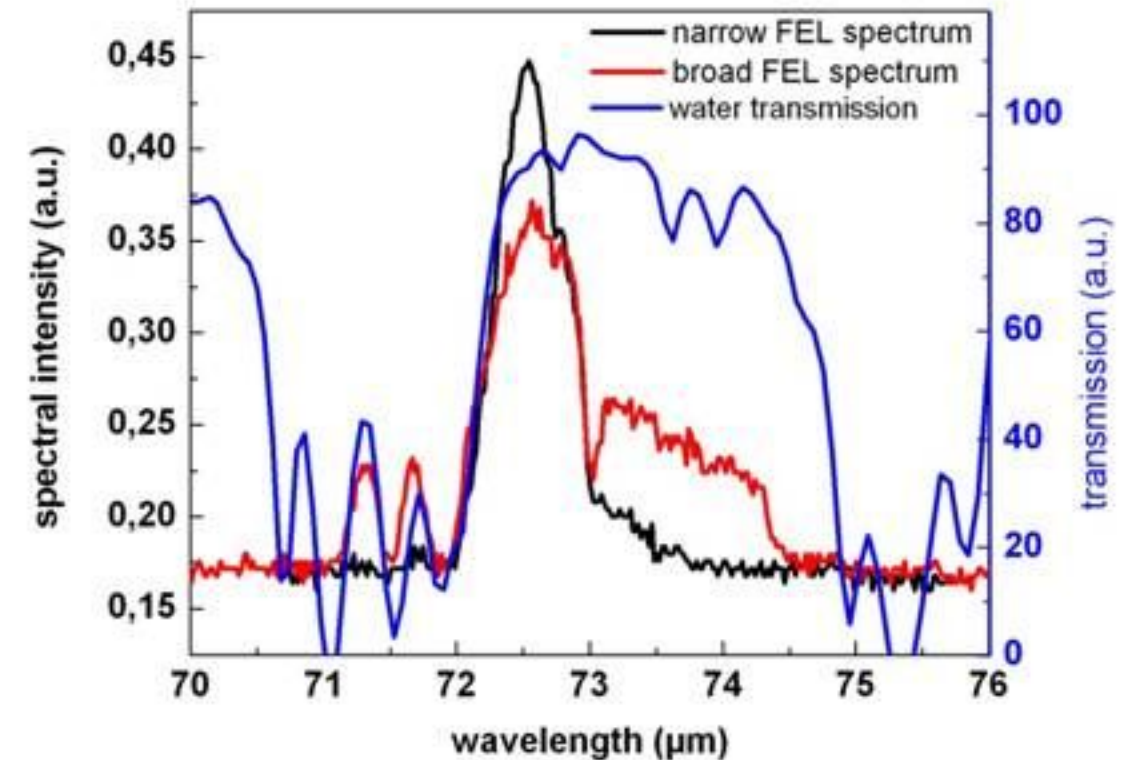
- photon scattering
- nuclear dipole strengths
- photoactivation of nuclei
- photodisintegration of nuclei ( $\gamma, p$ ), ( $\gamma, n$ ), ( $\gamma, \alpha$ ) cross sections

Properties	
Energy	0... 17 MeV
Photon flux	$10^8 \gamma \text{ MeV}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

## 2 Beam stability demands

- measurements between water absorption lines or wavelength gaps of the U100 require wavelength stability of  $< 0.5\%$
- measurements with small bandwidth require constant wavelength and narrow spectrum
- in-pulse experiments at the High Magnetic Field Laboratory need intensity stability up to the kHz range

FEL Properties	FEL 1 - U27	FEL2 - U100
undulator period	27.3 mm	100 mm
design	2x 34 periods vacuum chamber	38 periods waveguide
undulator param.	0.3...0.7	0.3...2.7 $\mu\text{m}$
wavelength	3...22 $\mu\text{m}$	20...280 $\mu\text{m}$
max. power (out)	30 W	70 W
max. pulse energy	2 $\mu\text{J}$	5 $\mu\text{J}$
pulse length	0.5...4 ps	1...10 ps



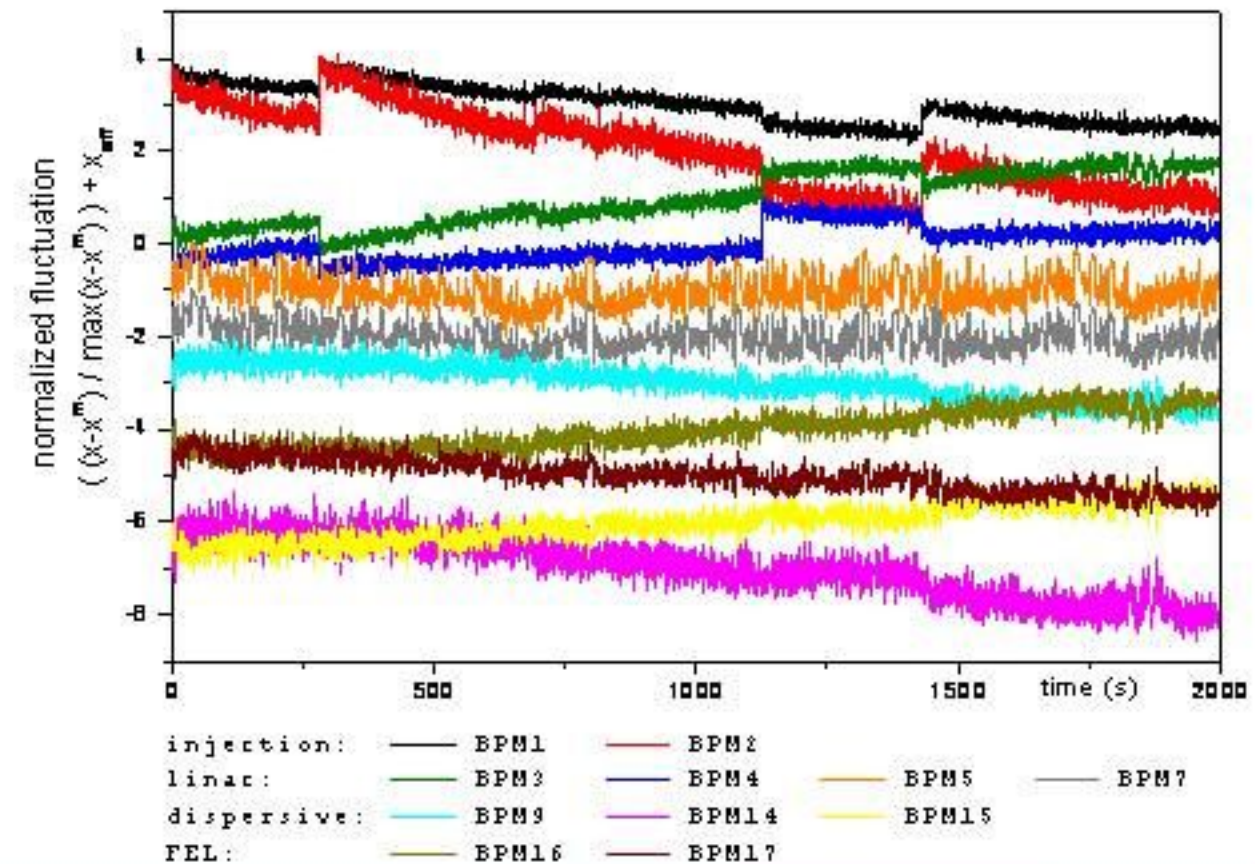
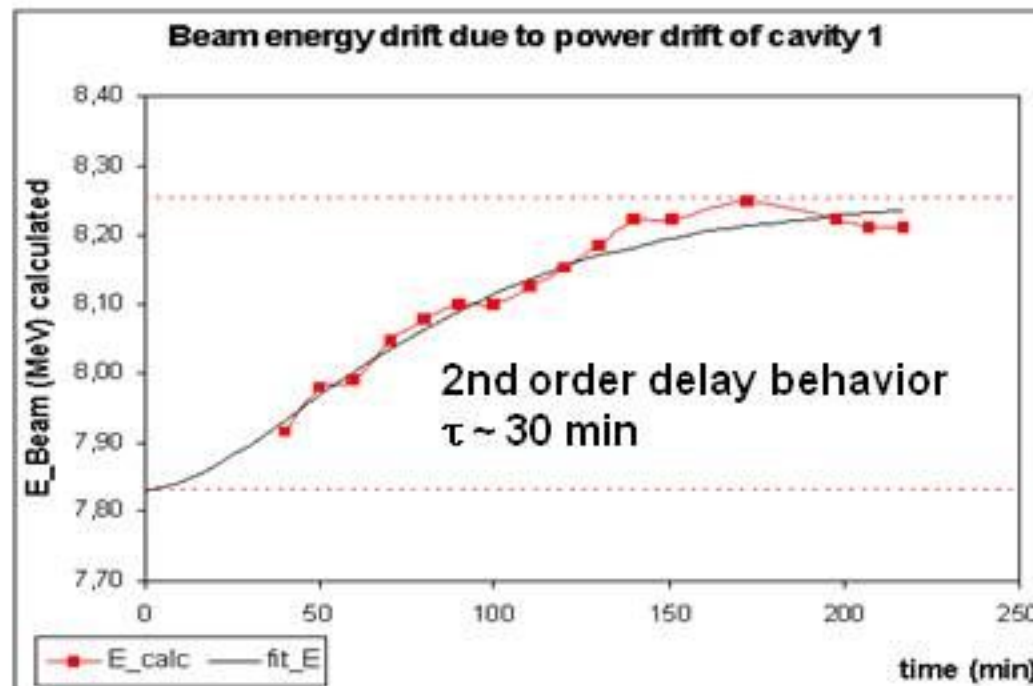
### 3 Electron beam stabilization

electron beam **energy** variations:

- slow thermal settling of the RF cavities
- fluctuations in the LINAC's RF field strength: microphonics, phase loop noise of the RF

electron beam **trajectory** variations:

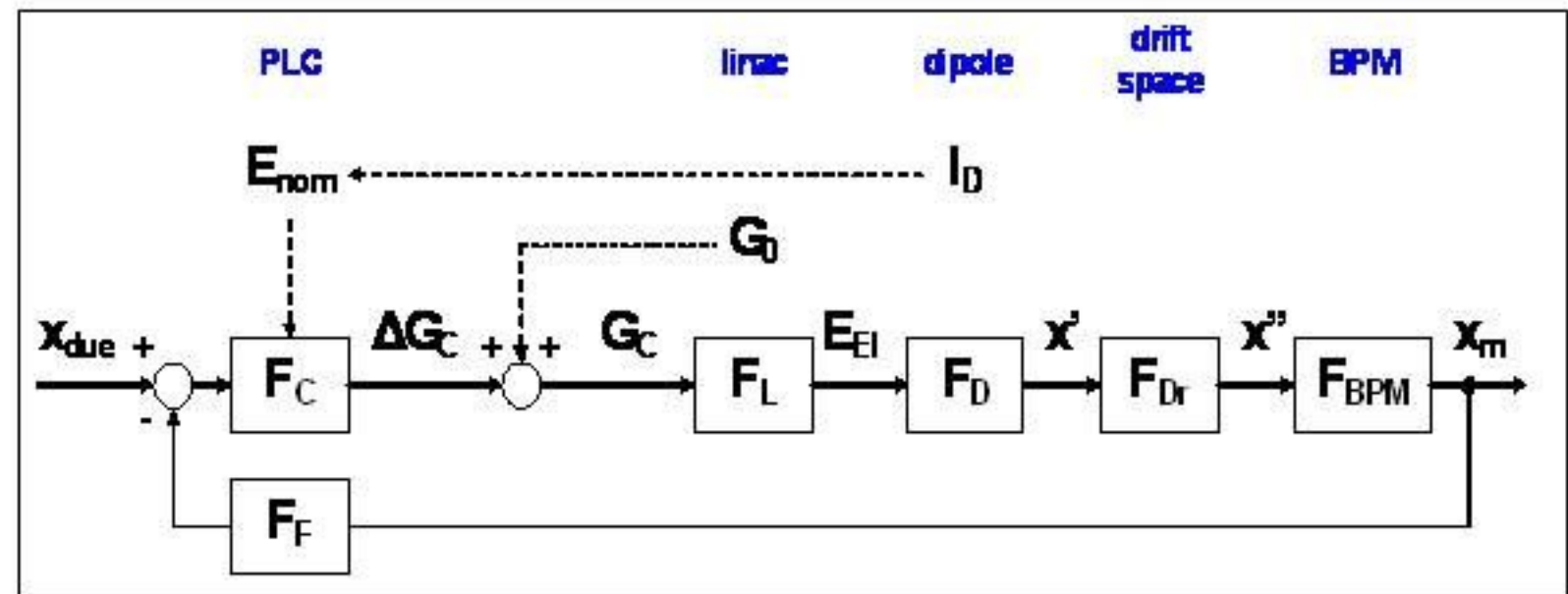
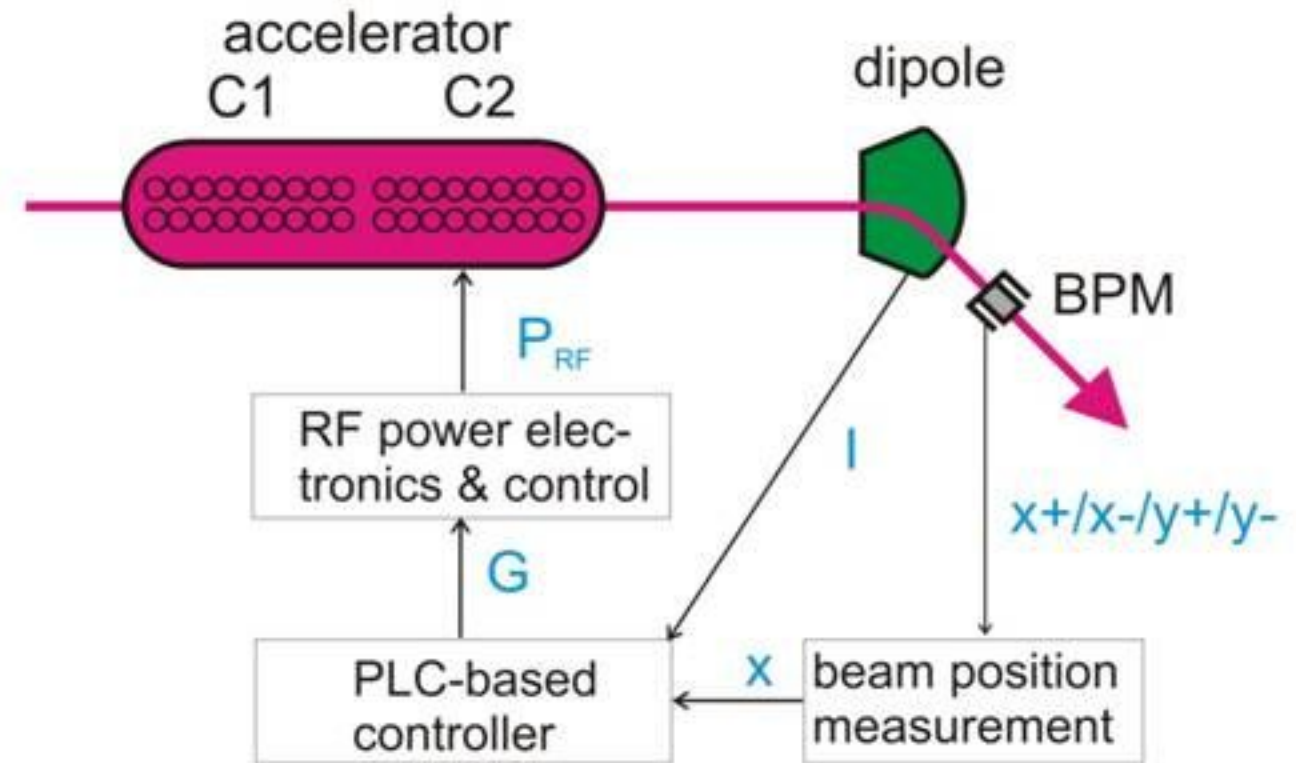
- Spontaneous position jumps due to charge-up effects in the injector area
- Slow effects due to energy drift





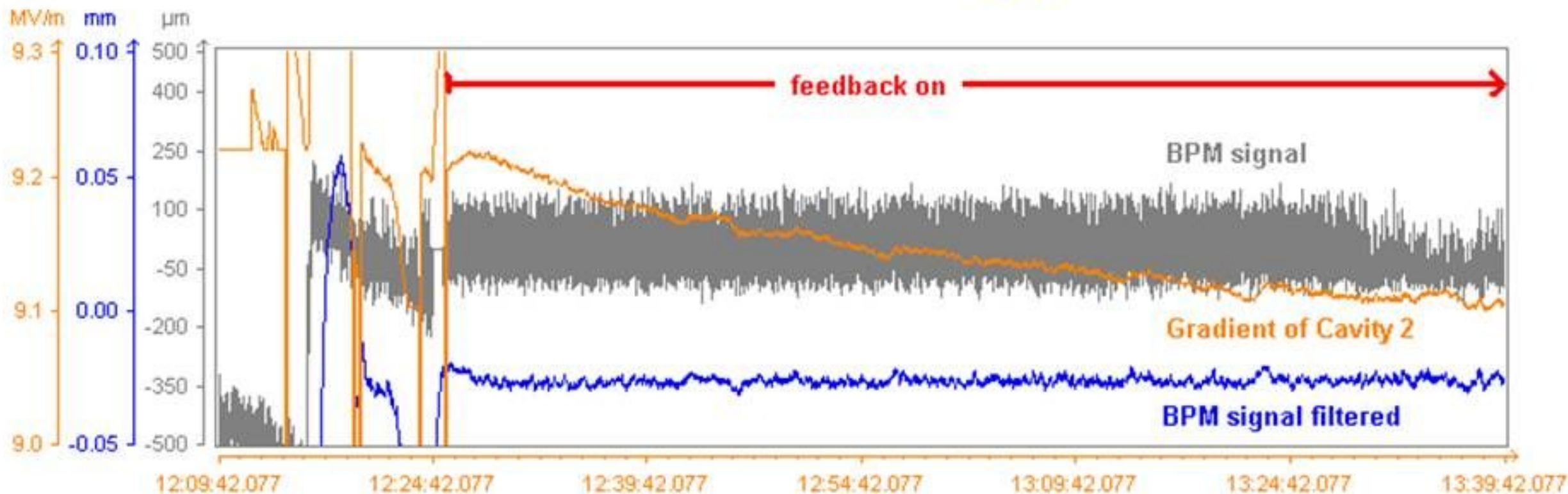
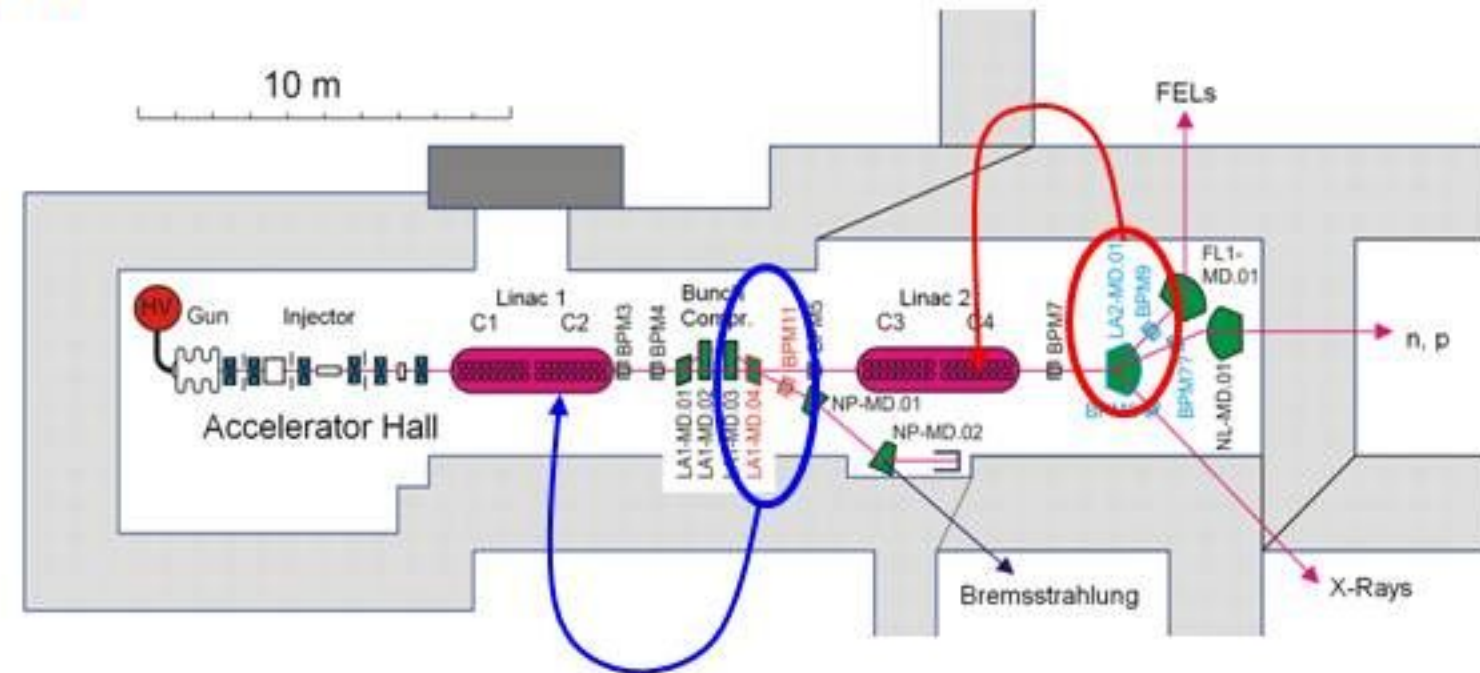
### 3 Electron beam stabilization

- beam energy measurement using stripline BPM
- adjustment of the RF gradient of the last cavity
- low pass filter for BPM data
- PLC based PI controller (S7-400, 50 ms sampling time) optimized towards zero overshoot
- LL RF control + klystron amplifier



### 3 Electron beam stabilization

- performance ensures mean energy drift of  $< 0,5\%$
- applied to Bremsstrahlung facility and FEL beam line

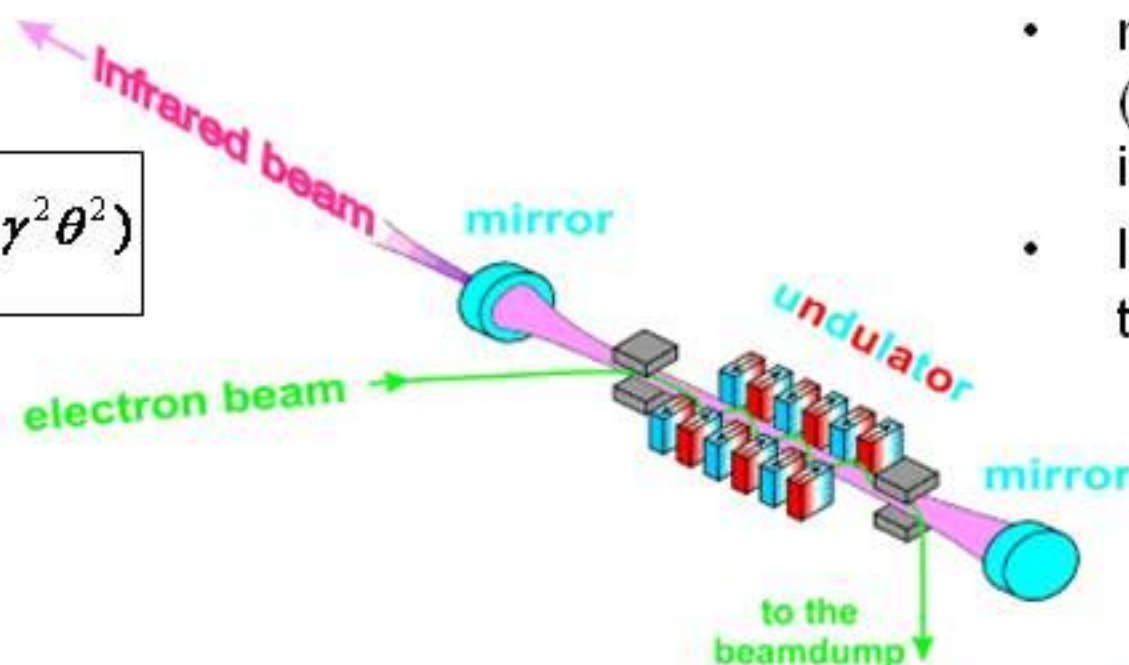


## 2 Infrared beam stabilization

wavelength instabilities:

- e-beam energy fluctuations  
→ energy stability

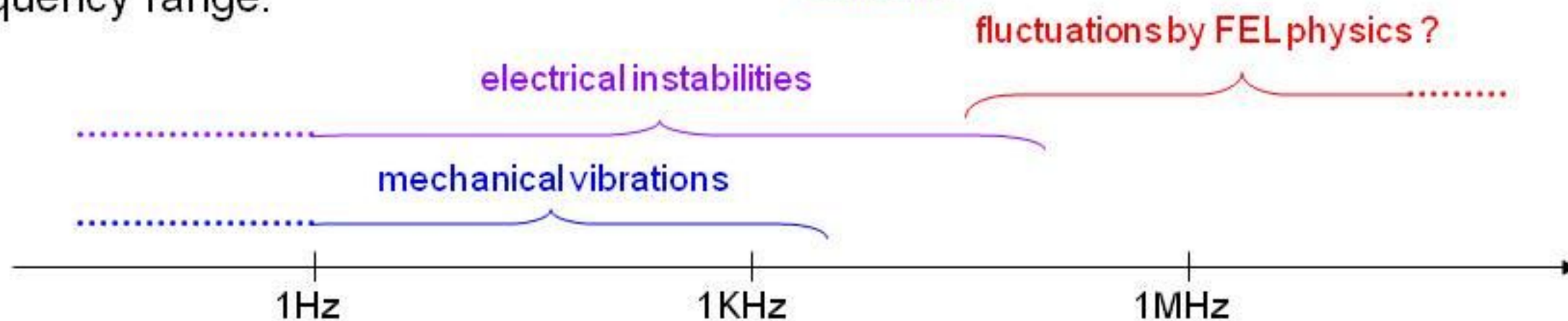
$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma^2} (1 + K_{RMS}^2 + \gamma^2 \theta^2)$$



power fluctuations:

- bunch charge fluctuations
- e-beam instabilities (energy, trajectory)
- longitudinal phase space jitter
- mechanical instabilities (vibrations), optical mode instabilities
- limitation phenomena of the FEL physics

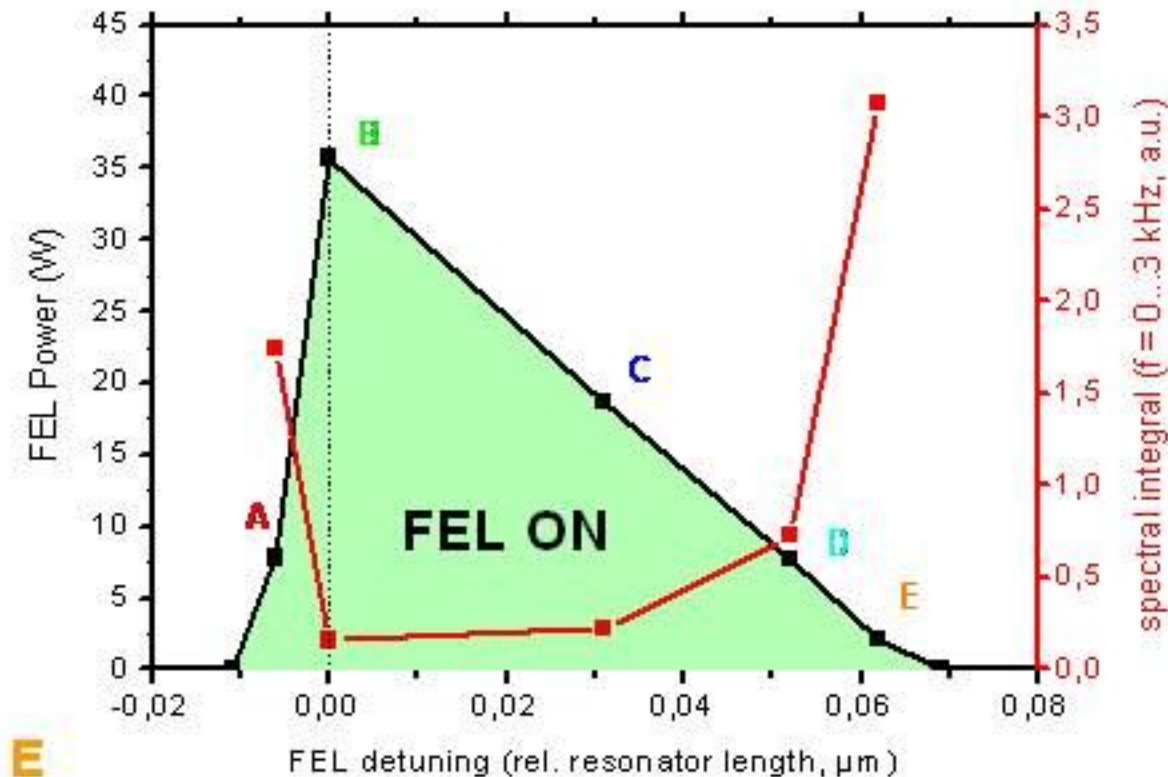
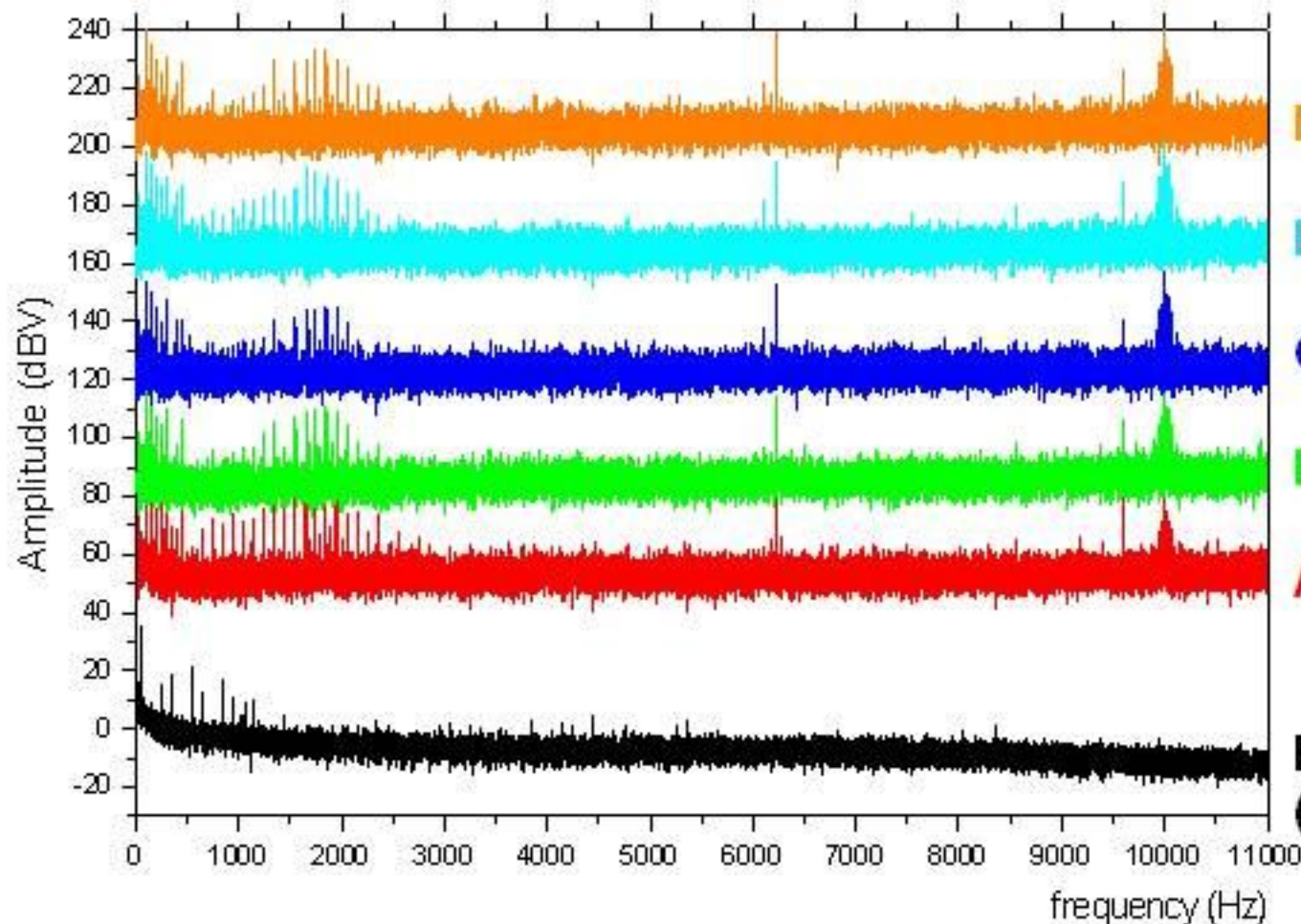
frequency range:



## 4 Infrared beam stabilization

- frequency analysis up to 11 kHz using a GeGa detector system
- integral of spectra from 0...3 kHz shows influence of the resonator detuning

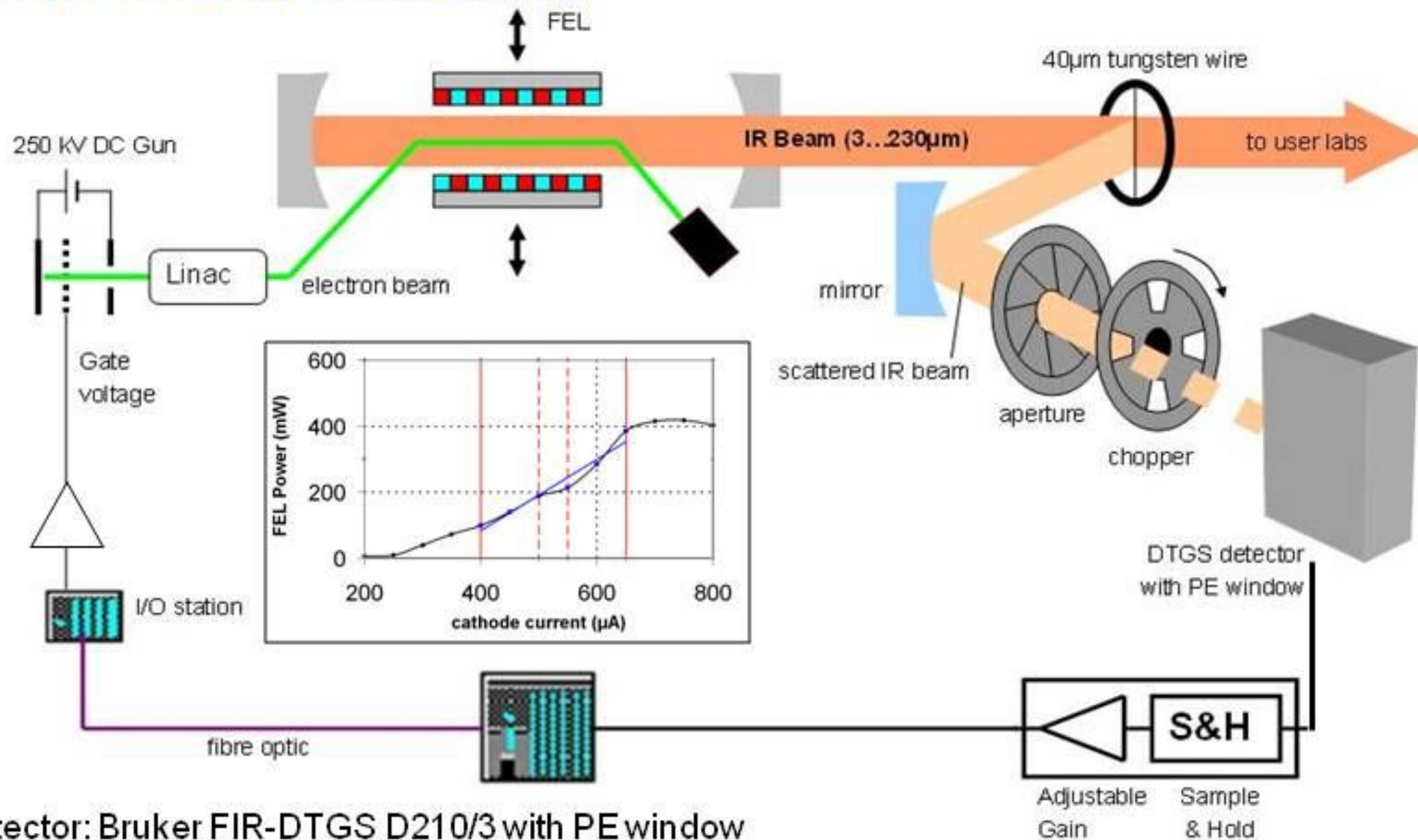
A...E normalized by „REF”, offset added to each spectrum



identified noise sources:

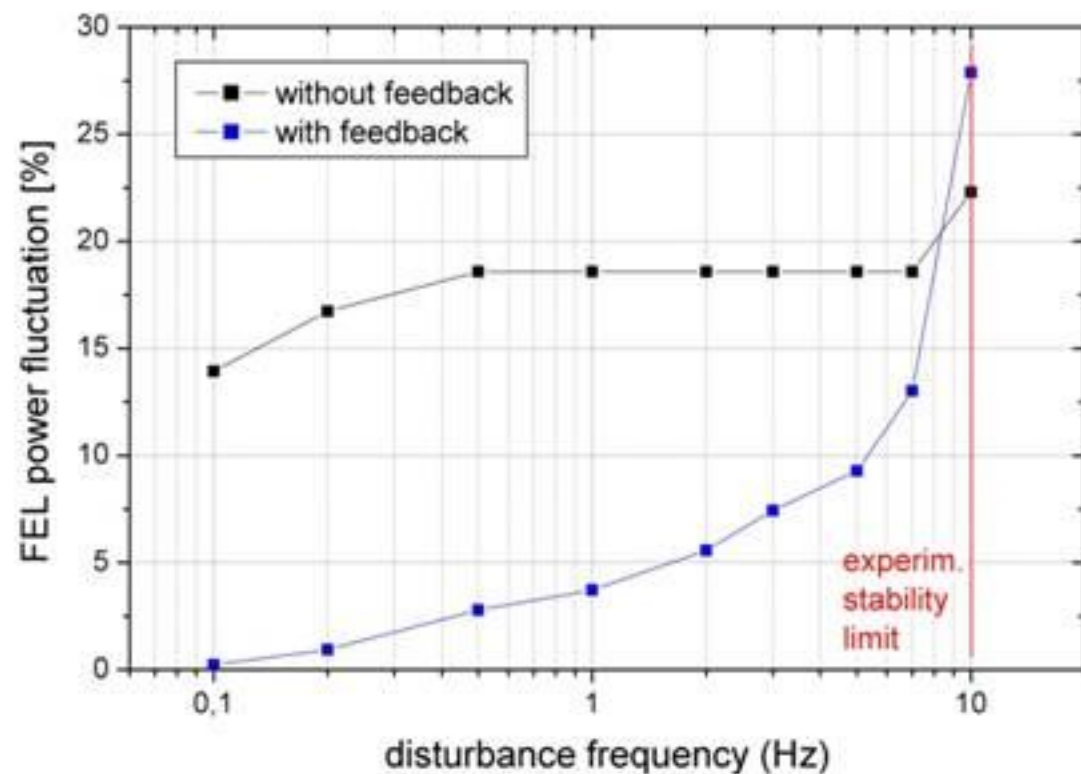
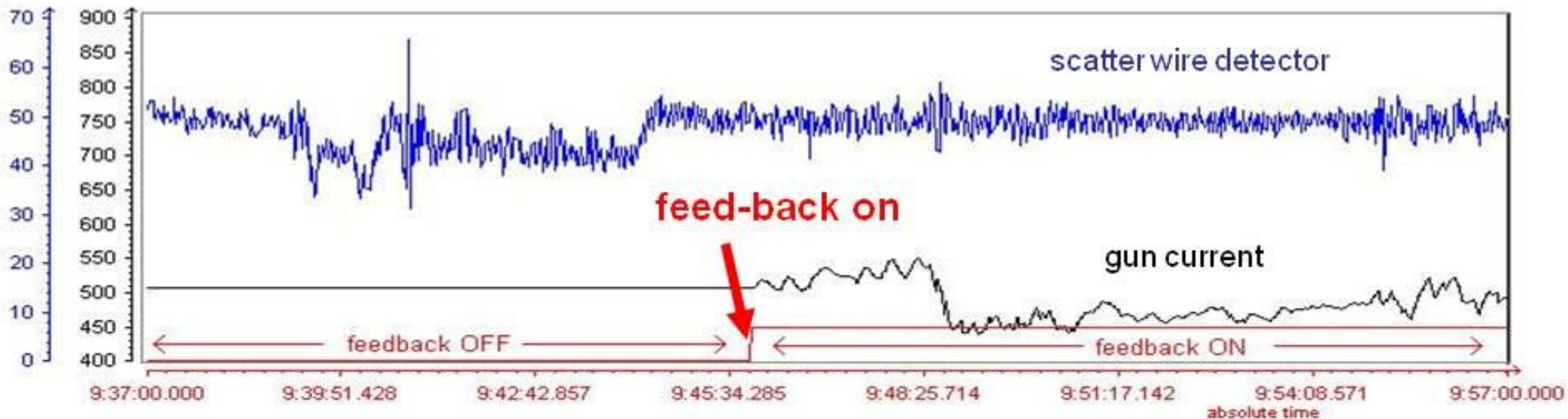
- 25 Hz & harmonics by macro-buncher
- 50 Hz noise & harmonics
- 10 kHz by macro-buncher
- 15.6 kHz by vidicon cameras

## 4 Infrared beam stabilization



- detector: Bruker FIR-DTGS D210/3 with PE window
- chopper frequency: 800 Hz
- PLC: ADC input 400 μs, sampling time, CPU Simatic S7-400 (cycle time 10 ms)
- output: Profibus® transmission and DAC conv. time 4.2 ms
- gun: gate voltage controller delay time 1.8 ms

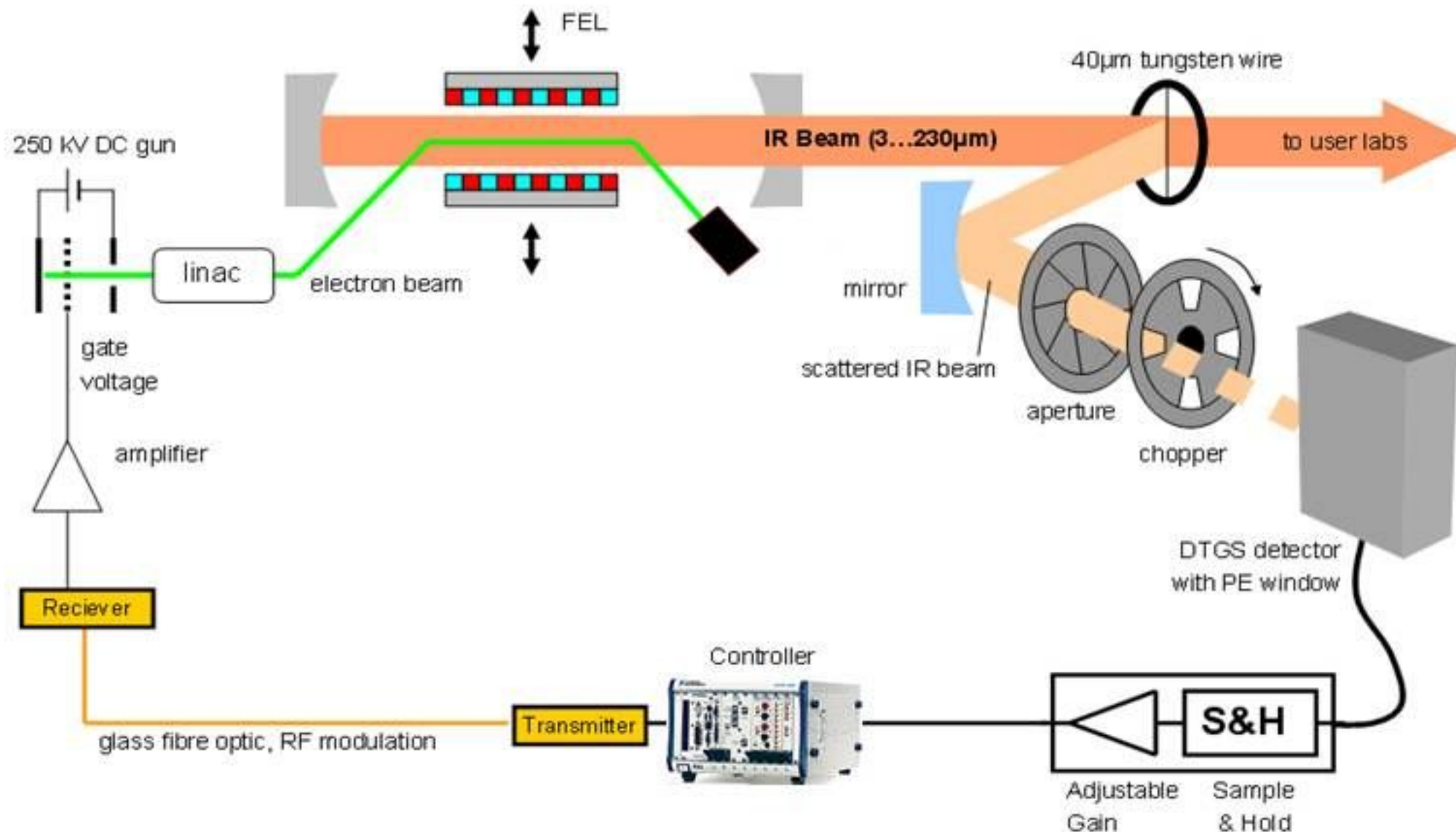
# 4 Infrared beam stabilization



frequency response measured by vertical e-beam modulation

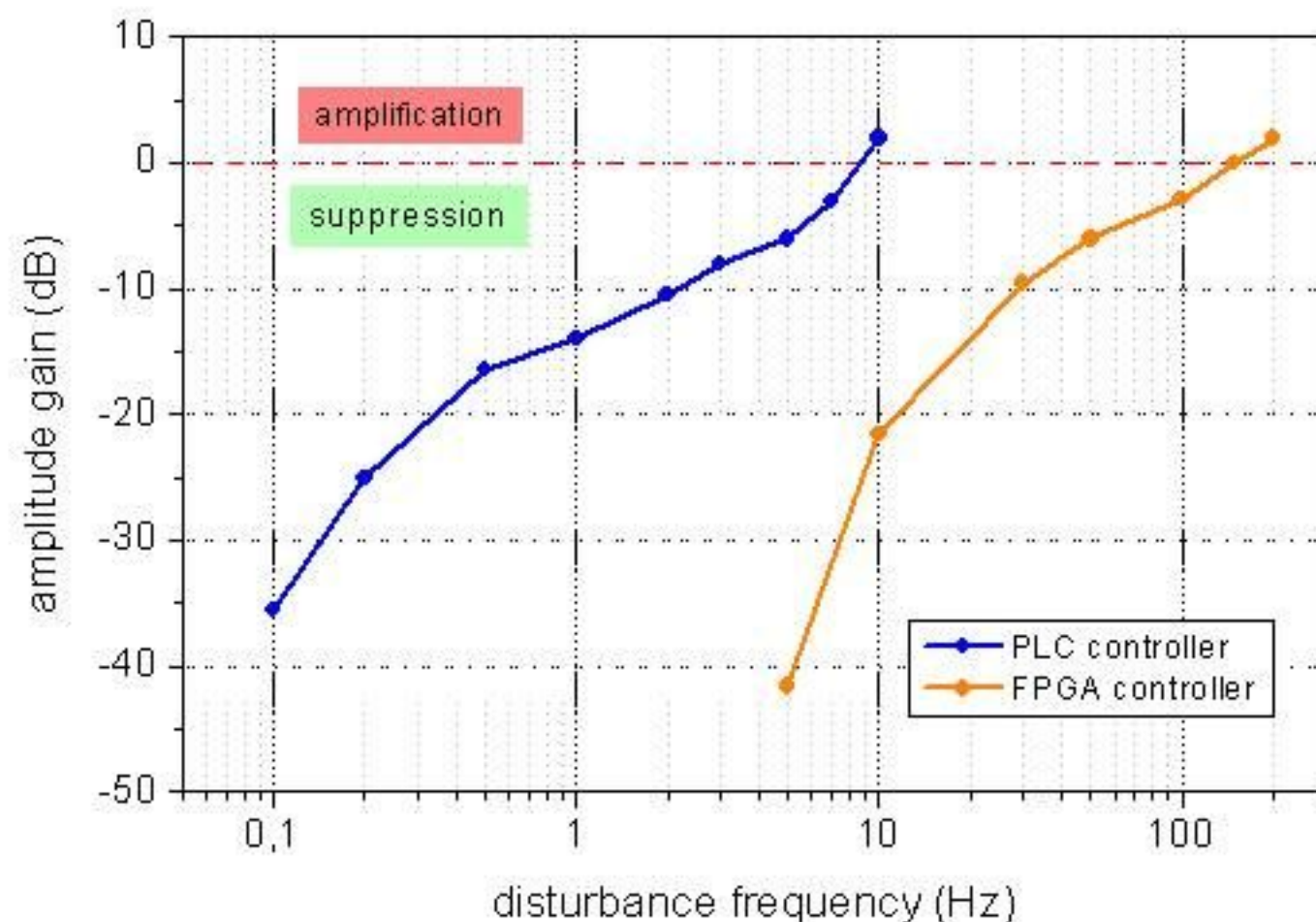
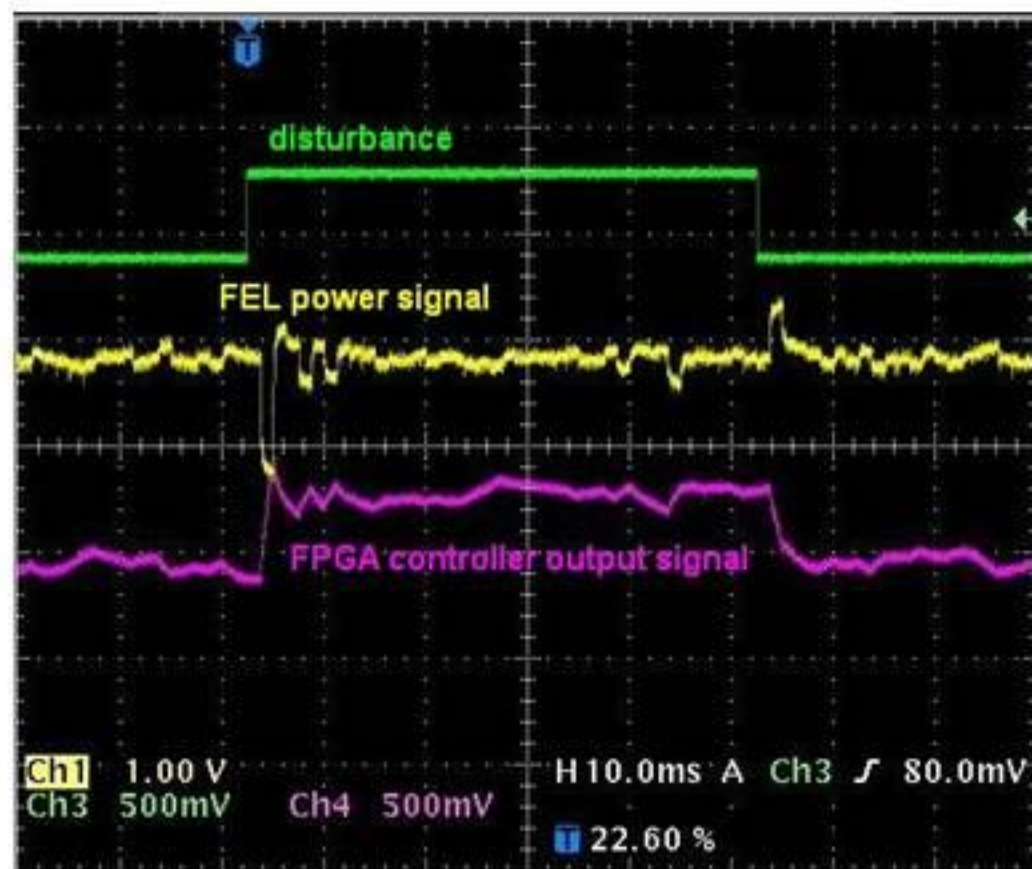
- bandwidth limit ~ 5 Hz (suppression 50%)
- suitable for compensation of thermal drifts in the optical cavity, sudden effects
- improvement for statistical & long term experiments

## 4 Infrared beam stabilization



- PLC technique replaced by FPGA-controller (NI-7833) and high performance optical transmission line (amplitude modulation)

## 4 Infrared beam stabilization



- improvement in frequency domain of  $\sim 1$  decade
- current status is testing station
- test with chopper frequency of 2.4 kHz brought an improvement of only  $\sim 2$  dB @ 70 Hz due to limitation of the chopper phase stability and the DTGS rise time



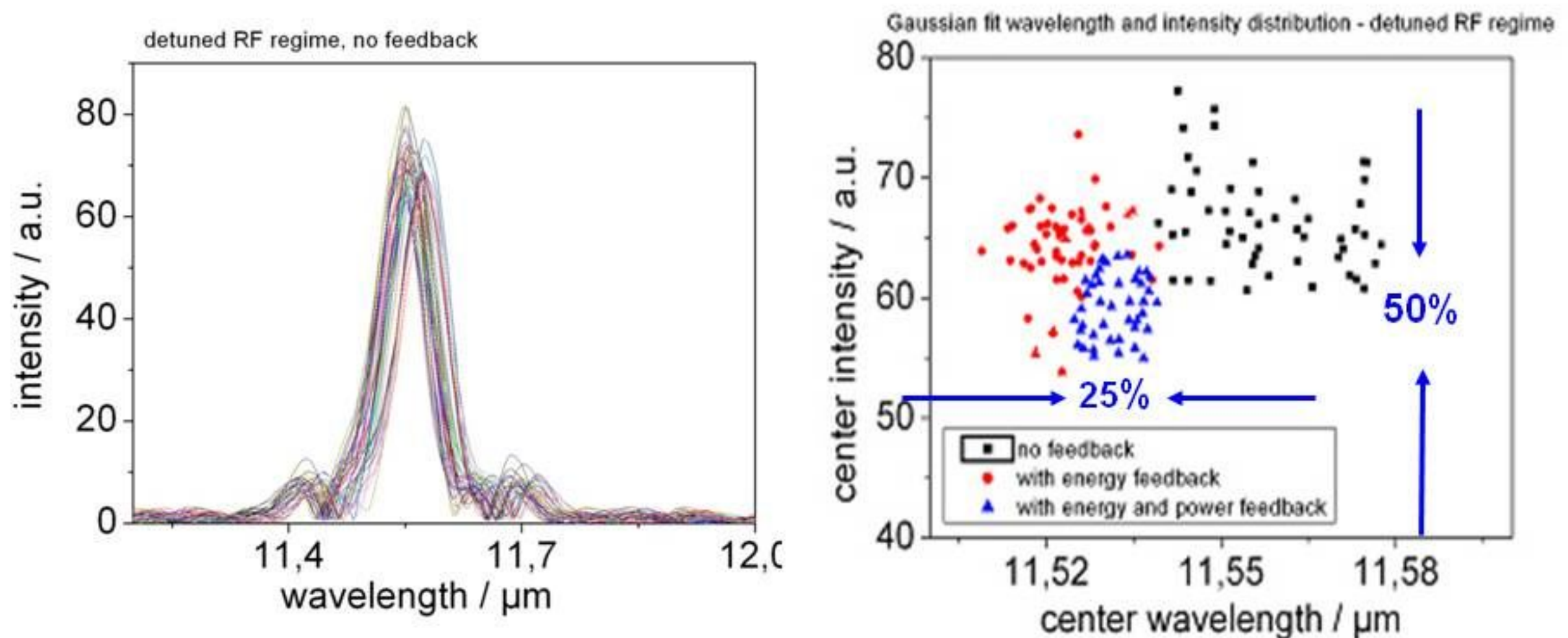
## 4 Infrared beam stabilization

FEL regime with **artificially unstable e-beam**

U27, 11.55  $\mu\text{m}$ , cw, 10W

FTIR scan (10 min total)

PLC controller



## 5 Summary & Prospect

- beam stability for electron beam as well as IR was improved, but does not yet meet our goals
- low frequency instabilities and sudden parameter changes can be compensated
- overall beam availability was improved by decreasing setup times (not the topic of this talk)

### Current efforts & future plans:

- Absolute energy calibration by implementation of a spectrometer magnet (absolute calibration accuracy  $10^{-3}$ , resolution  $10^{-4}$ )
- Combined energy & position feedback needed using faster hardware
- bandwidth improvement using LLRF electronics
- IR detector technology (dc coupled, upper kHz range, low maintenance, 3...280 $\mu$ m)
- auto-tuning, esp. for FEL feedback

Thanks to the ELBE team...



...and for your attention !