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# ESS Normal Conducting Linac Commissioning Results HB 2023, Geneva, Switzerland TUA313

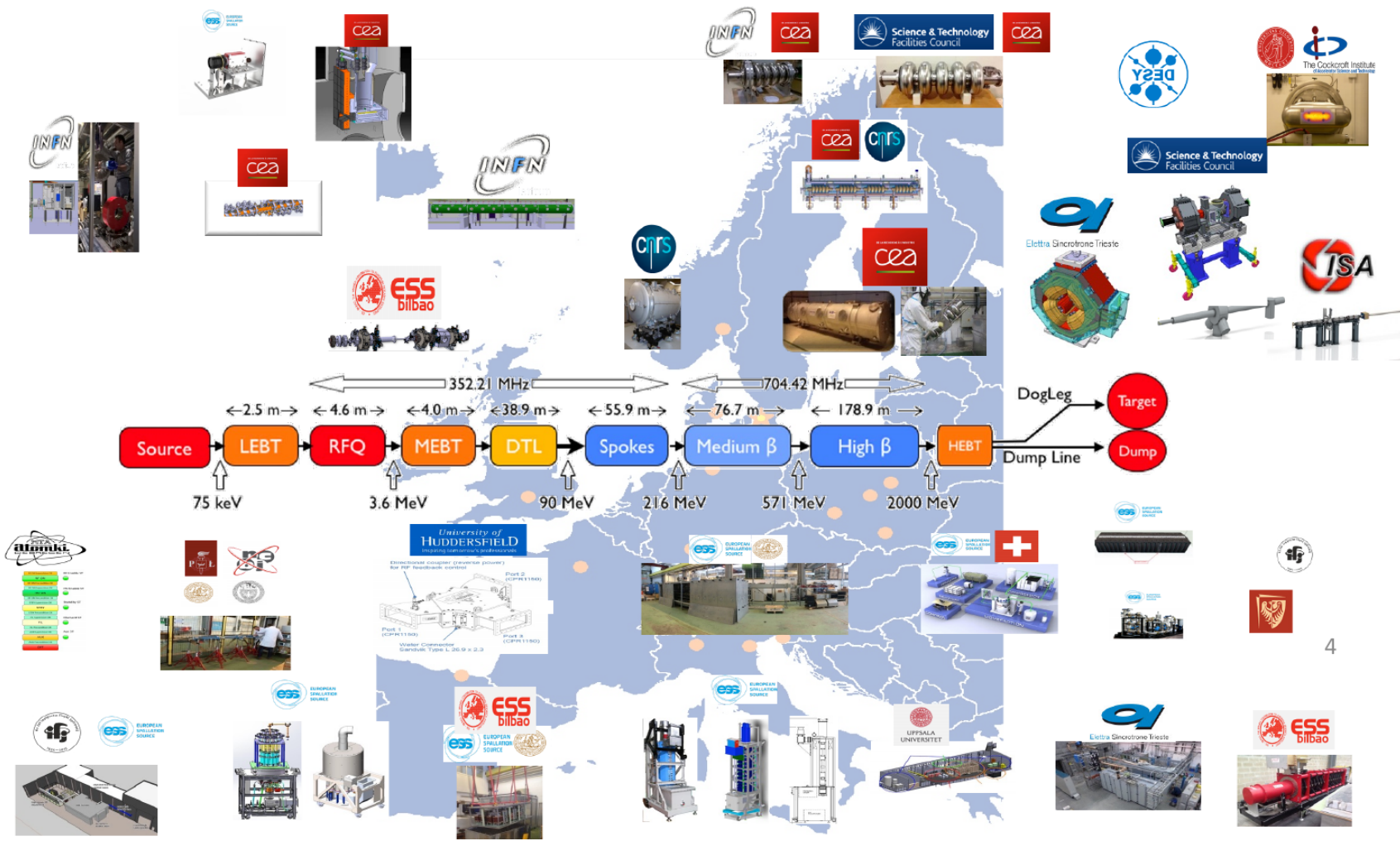
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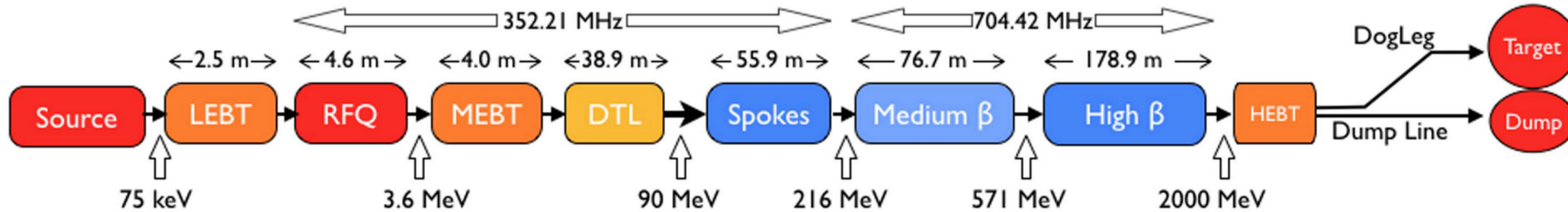
# The ESS In-Kind model

With a lot of help from our friends



# ESS Project

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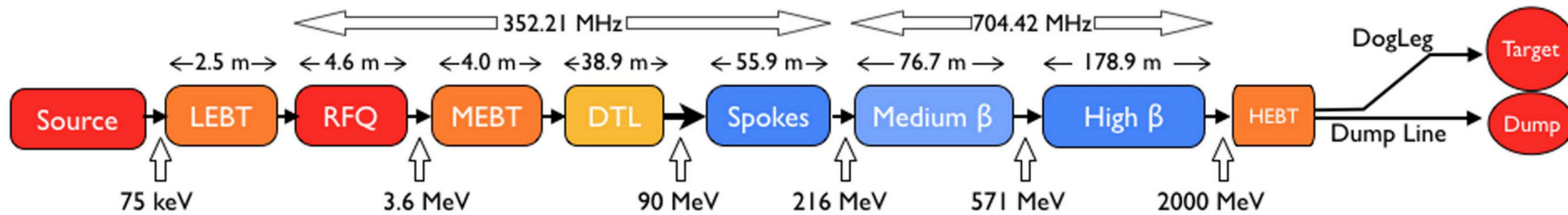


Parameter	Value
Proton beam power	5 MW
Proton beam energy	2 GeV
Peak current	62.5 mA
Pulse length	2.86 ms
Rep rate	14 Hz
Duty factor	4 %
Bunching frequency	352.21 MHz



# Beam Diagnostics

## Beam modes and pulse structure



Device	Type	IS	LEBT	RFQ	MEBT	DTL	SPK	MBL	HBL	HEBT	A2T	DmpL	Total
Faraday cup	Current		1		1	2							4
BCM		1	1	1	2	5		1	1	2	3	2	19
Fast BCM					2								2
Doppler				1									
BPM	Parasitic transverse				7	15	14	9	21	16	12	4	98
Non-invasive profile			2		2		1	3	1		1		10
Imaging	Parasitic target/dump transverse										2	1	3
Grid											1		1
Aperture											3	1	4
Emittance	Non-parasitic		1		1								2
Bunch shape					1		1						2
WS					3		3	3	1	3	1		14
BLM	Loss				4	47	78	38	86	51	38	6	348

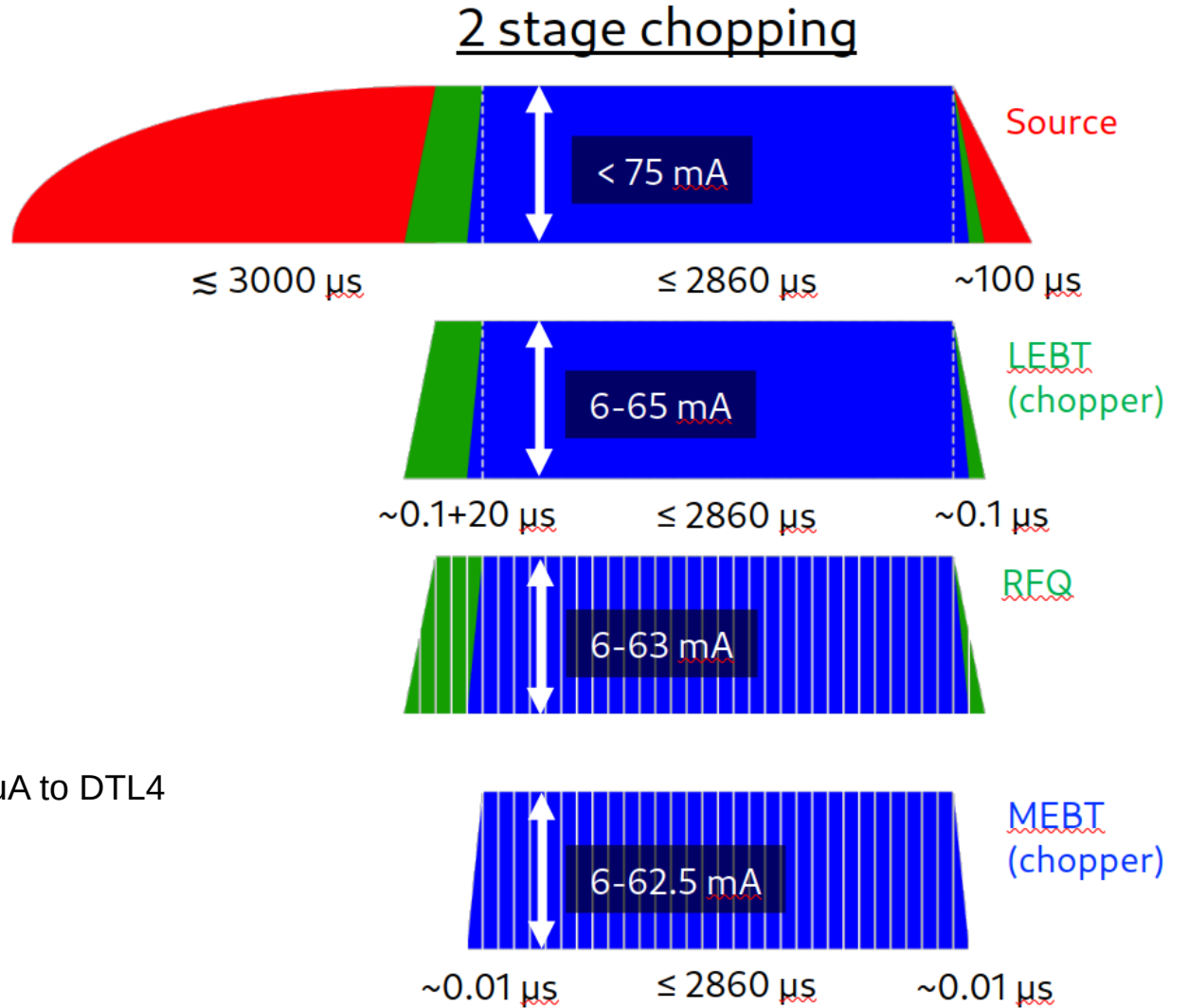


# Proton beam

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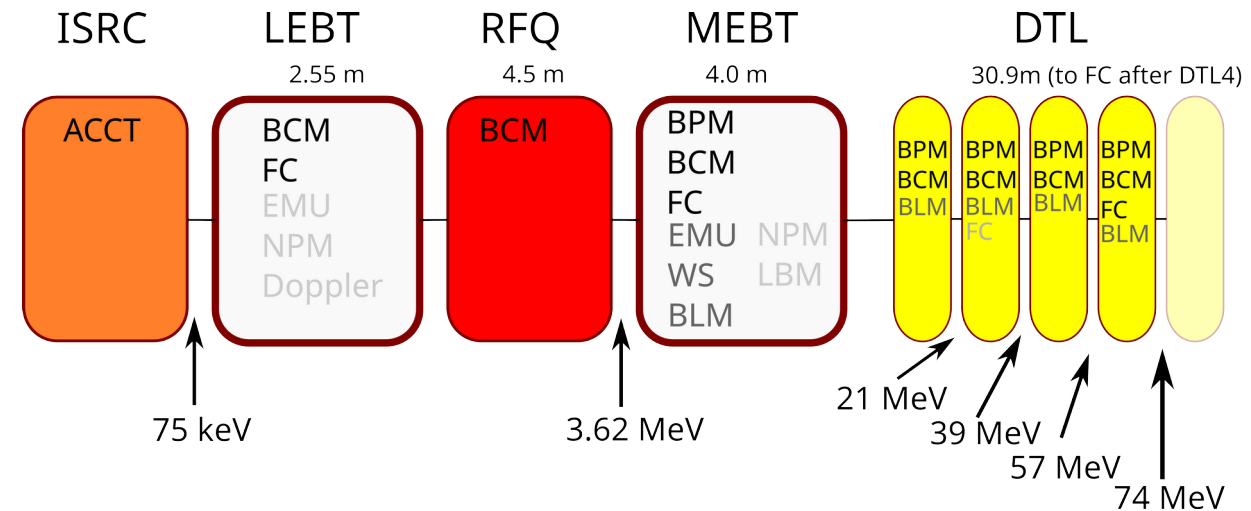
Mode	Current [mA]	Length [ $\mu\text{s}$ ]	Rep [Hz]
Probe	$\leq 6$	$\leq 5$	$\leq 1$
Fast commissioning	$\leq 6$	$\leq 5$	$\leq 14$
Slow commissioning	$\leq 62.5$	$\leq 5$	$\leq 1$
Fast tuning	$\leq 62.5$	$\leq 5$	$\leq 14$
Slow tuning	$\leq 62.5$	$\leq 50$	$\leq 1$ $\leq 0.2$
Long pulse verification	$\leq 62.5$	$\leq 2860$	$\leq 1/30$
Production	$\leq 62.5$	2860	14



# NCL Overview



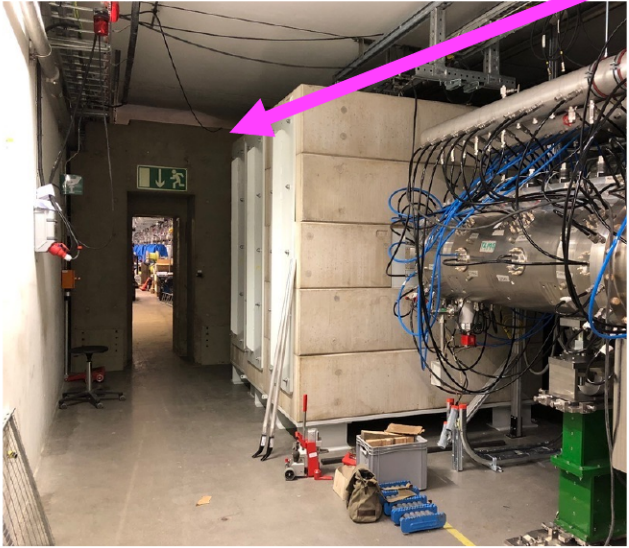
- ISRC & LEBT
  - DC beam > 70 mA @ 75 keV
  - Chop pulse, diagnose, focus & match for RFQ
- RFQ
  - 4.5 m, 5 segments, 4-vane, accelerate to 3.62 MeV
- MEBT
  - Diagnose beam, fine chop, collimate, match for DTL
- DTL
  - 5 tanks, accelerate to 90 MeV (74 MeV after DTL4)
  - Temporary beam stop & shield wall in place of 5th tank





# Tunnel configuration

NCL commissioning





# Milestones

Throughout commissioning





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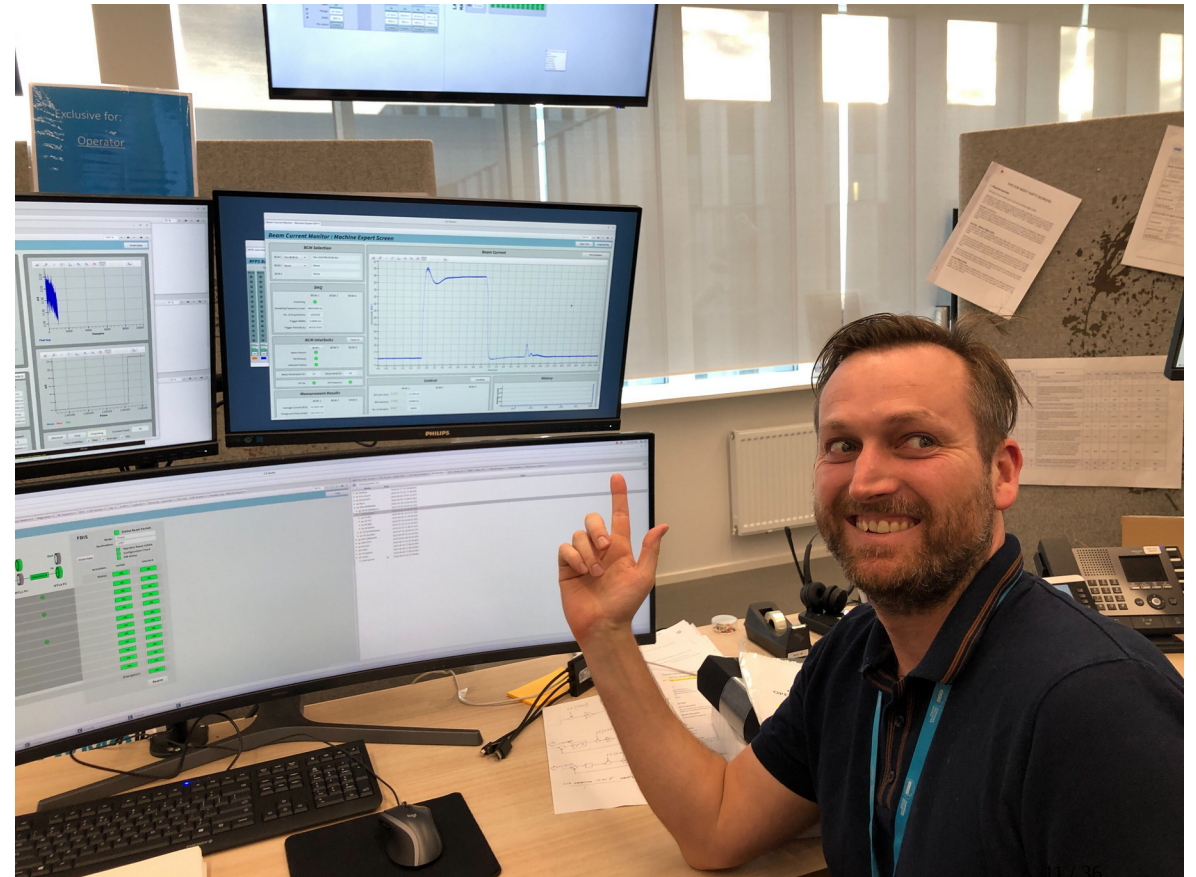
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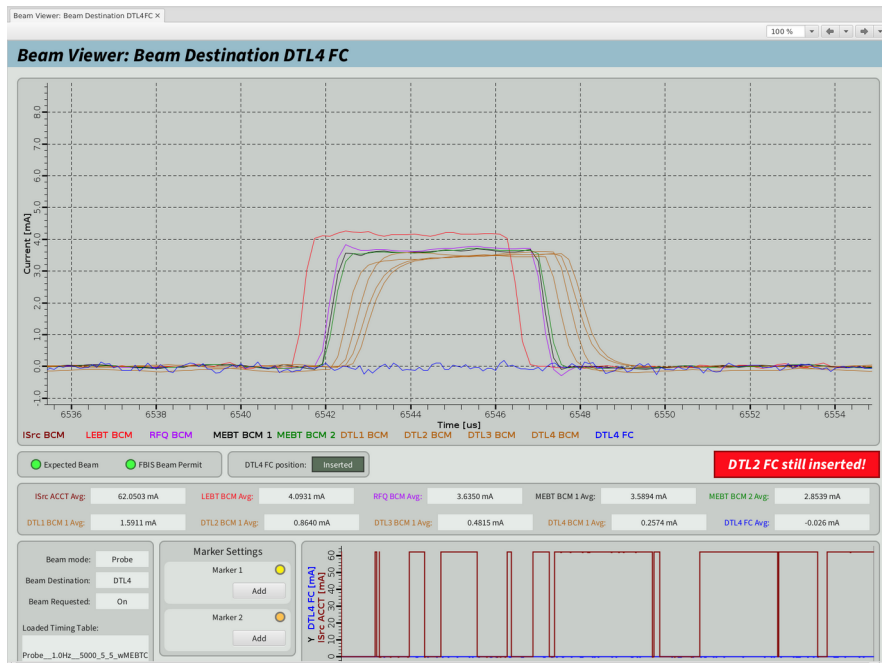


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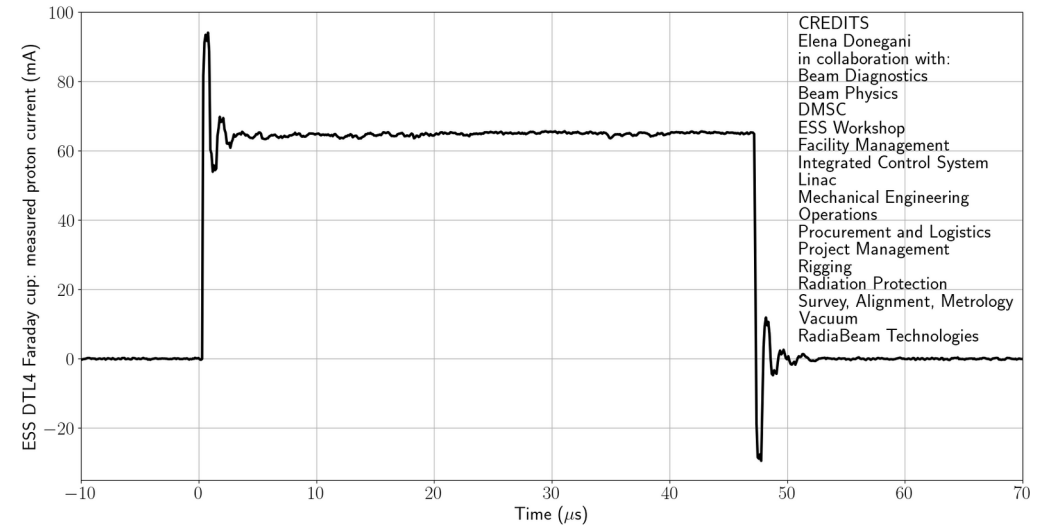
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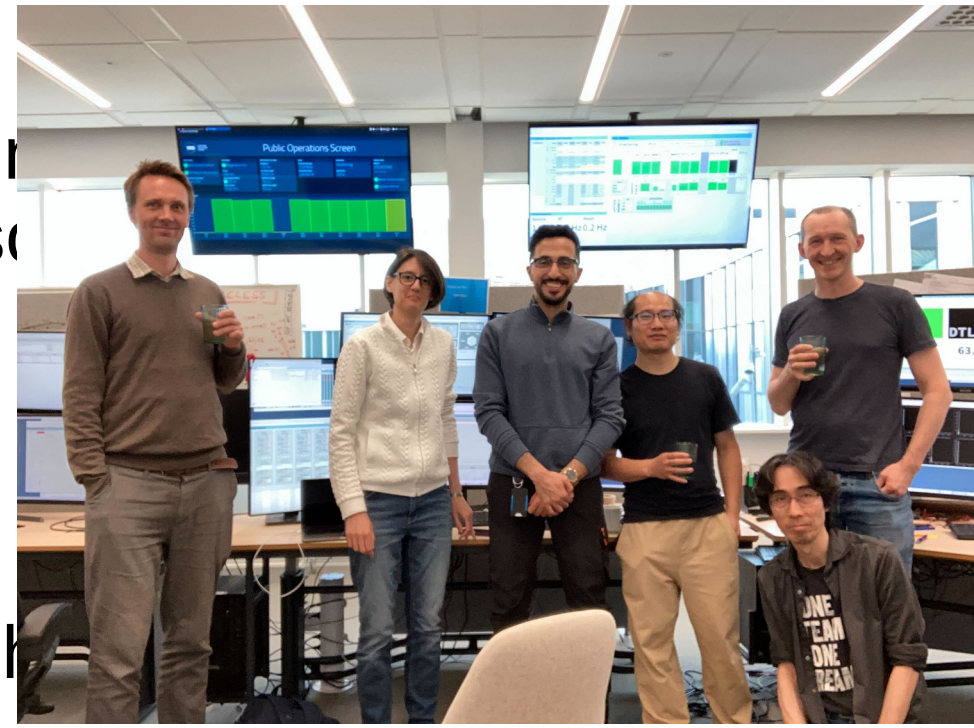
# Milestones



Commissioning in  
 ion source

First  
 DTL4

- May 30 First 300ns beam through DTL4
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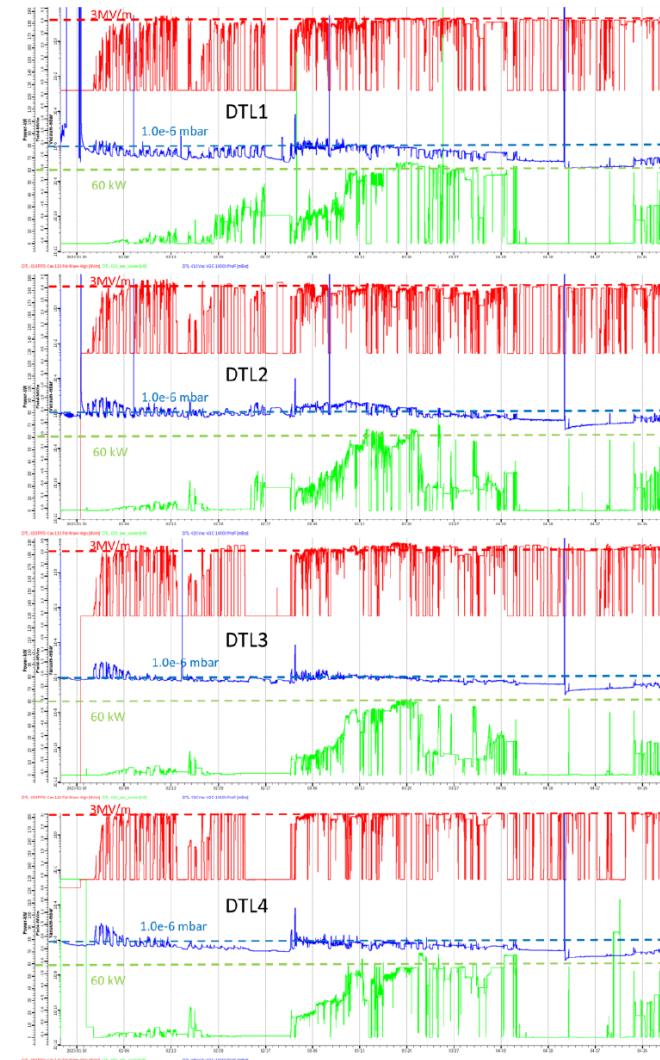
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- August 1<sup>st</sup> Last day of beam commissioning run

# RF Commissioning

A major non-beam goal of the commissioning



- Overall goal for DTLs was >12hrs with >95% RF at nominal parameters
- Started January 31<sup>st</sup> (first beam planned mid April)
- One DT replaced in DTL1 after 2022 commissioning
- Quickly reached nominal field for short pulse
- First half of March all DTLs close to reach goals
- Second half of March DTL2&3 RF windows arching

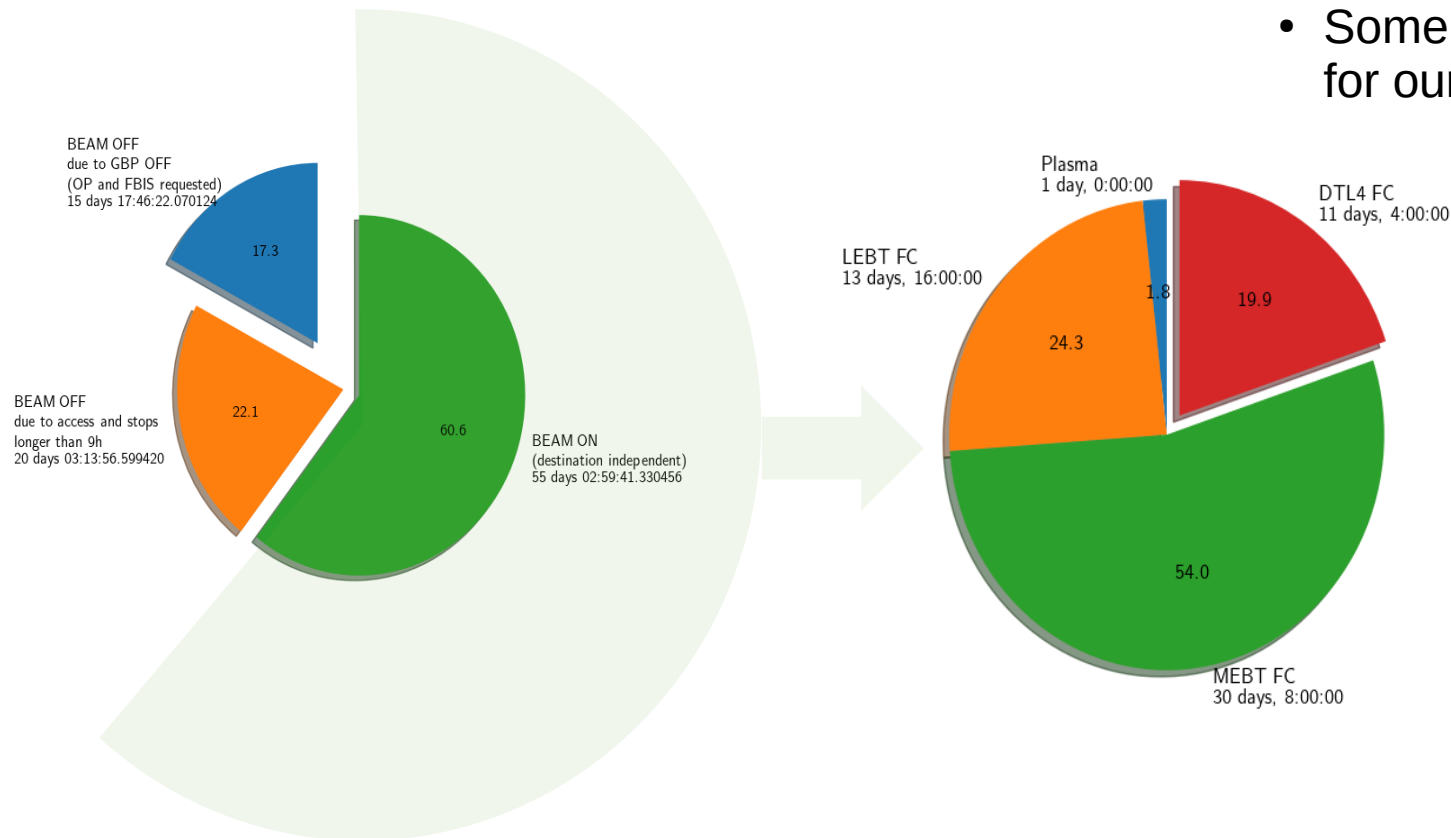
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# Beam Availability



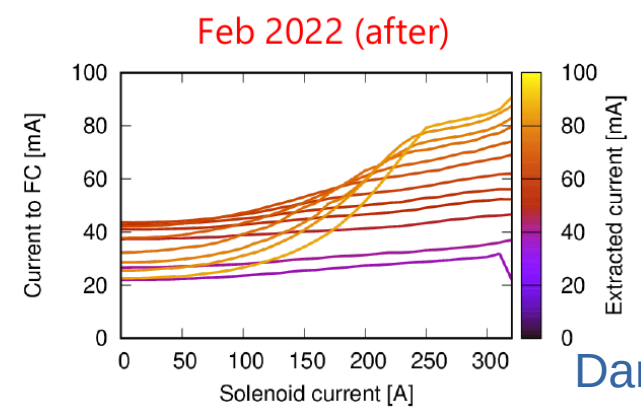
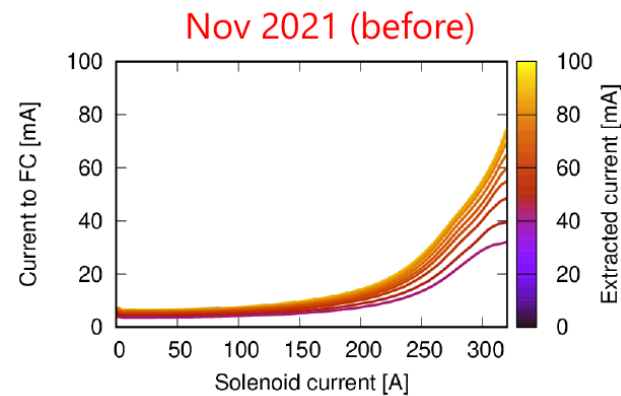
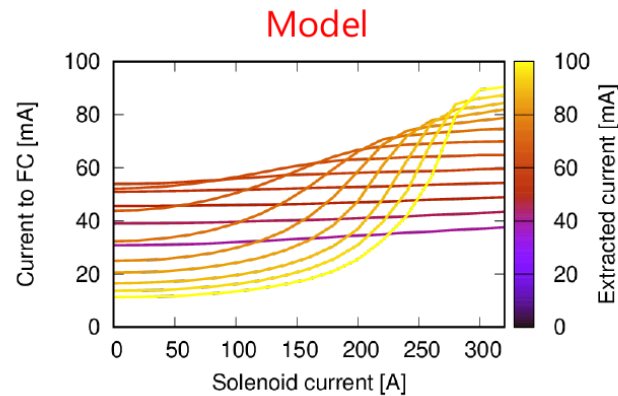
- 24/7 running March – mid July
- Excellent support from the OPs crew
- Beam availability good for early stage
- Some interlock/trip analysis work to be done for our 95% availability goal



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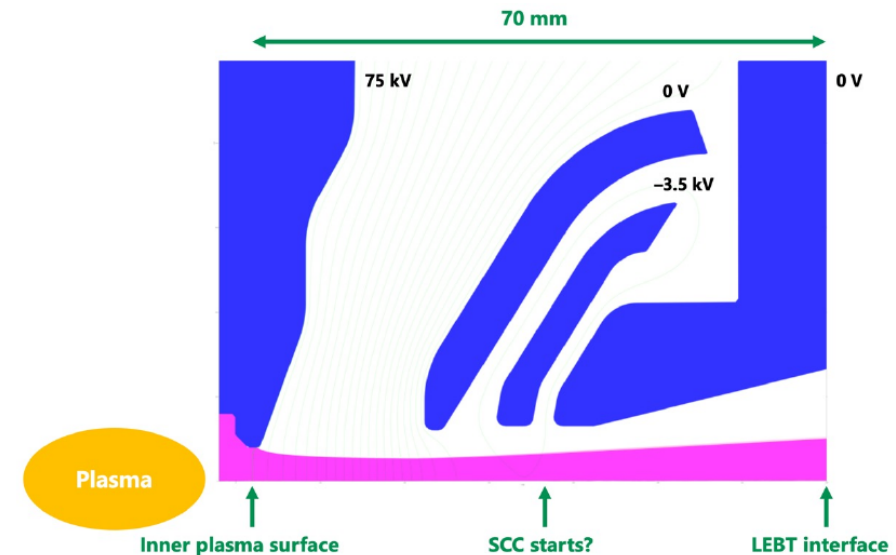
# Ion Source extraction

## Repeller issue



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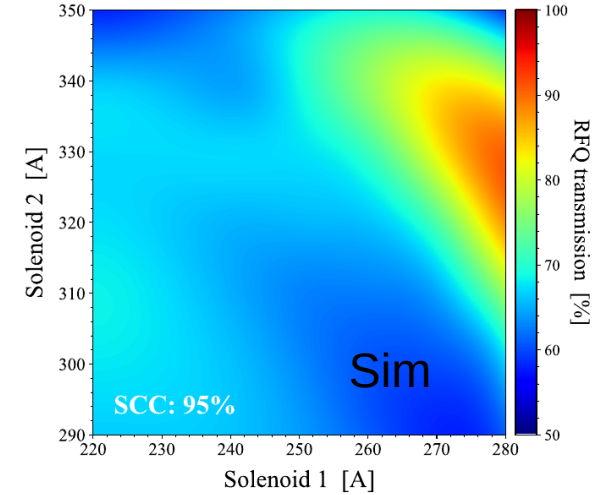
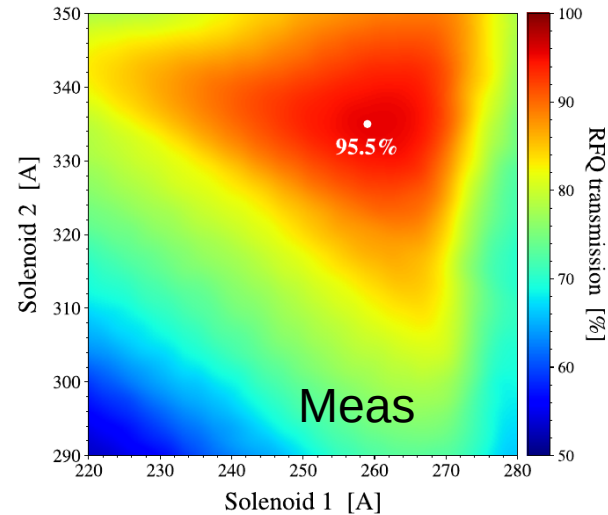
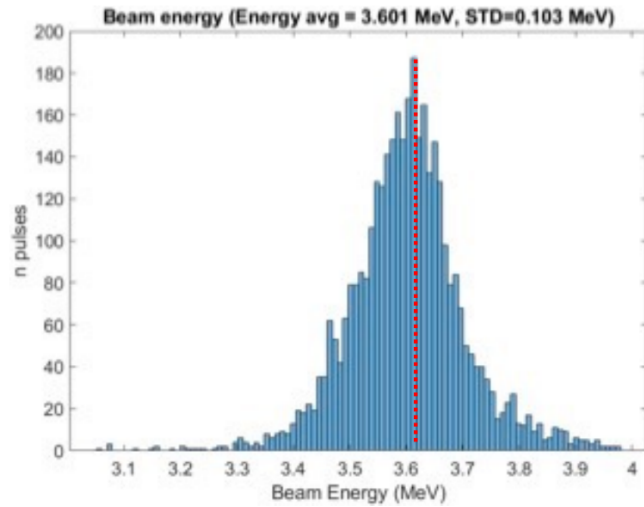
- Large initial divergence and emittance observed during the source+LEBT commissioning in 2019.
- Discovered source repeller was disconnected (maintenance Jan 2022)
- Significantly improved model consistency!
- Data from 2019 less relevant



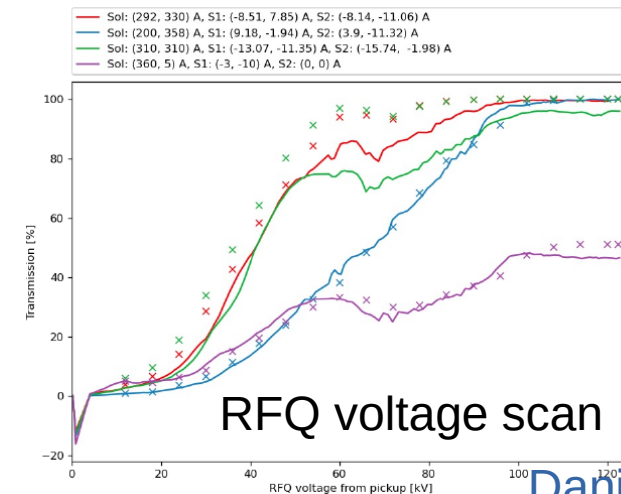
# RFQ Characterization



### MEBT ToF - FBPM



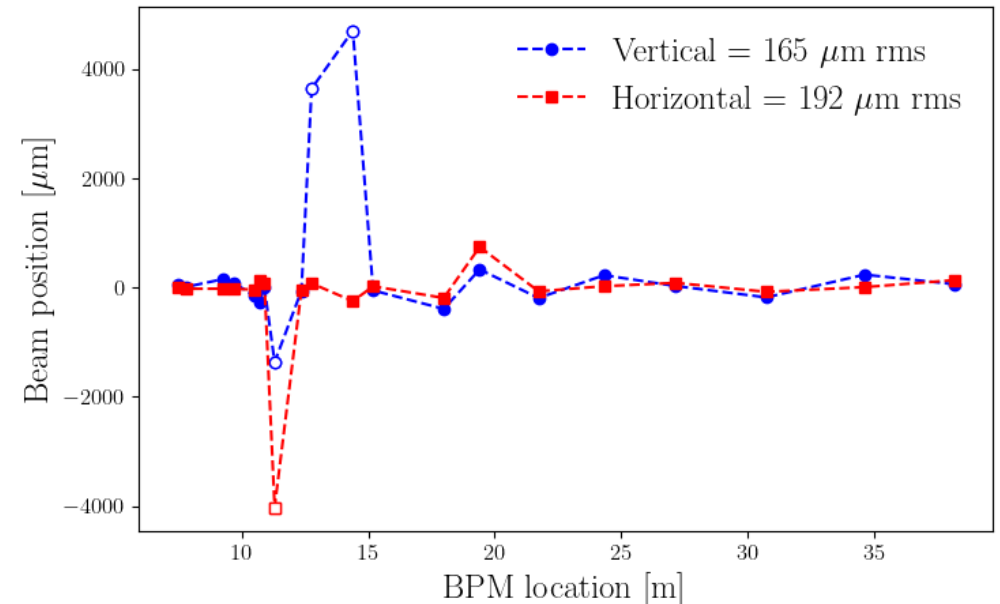
- Time-of-flight confirmed  $\sim 3.6$  MeV
- Voltage scan matched well to reconstructed model
- Transmission match expectations from model (96-98%), solenoid scan pattern differ





# Trajectory Correction

- Total of 20 BPM's in the NCL
- RF noise challenges on certain DTL BPMs
- Polarity checks BPMs, correctors
- Ignoring a few BPMs we got a good RMS
- We use SVD for matrix inversion



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# Phase Scans

## 3 MEBT bunchers and 4 DTL tanks



- 3 bunchers
- 4 DTL tanks (3 new)
- 20 BPMs
- Manual set up still achievable
  - For SCL 146 cavities → automation essential
- Frequency jump between Spoke-MBL
  - Amplitude match particularly important

### DTL scans

- First (few) internal BPM(s) → sine-like response
- Here we focus on online modelling & fitting
- For more details on DTL measurements, see **M. Comunian et al. - THBP07**

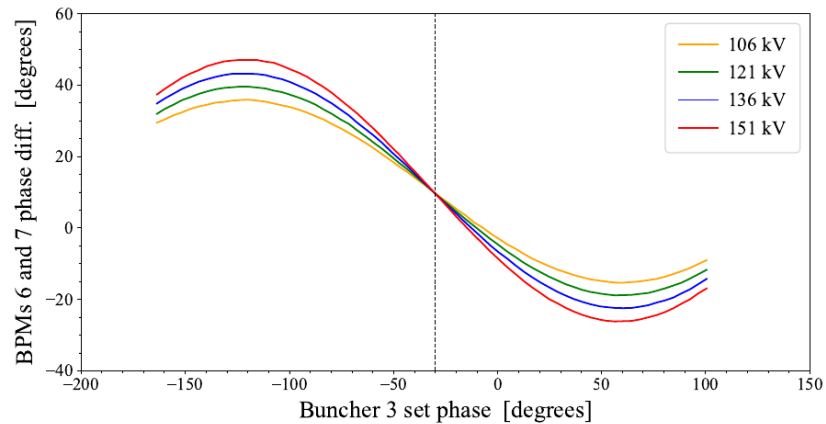
### Buncher scans

- Closest BPM may observe RF noise
- Model based (OpenXAL) BPM response fitting
- “Turning off” with time delay is fast
- Fully detuning is time consuming
- Aim for scans w/o needing to detune
  - Lowering current
  - Short pulse

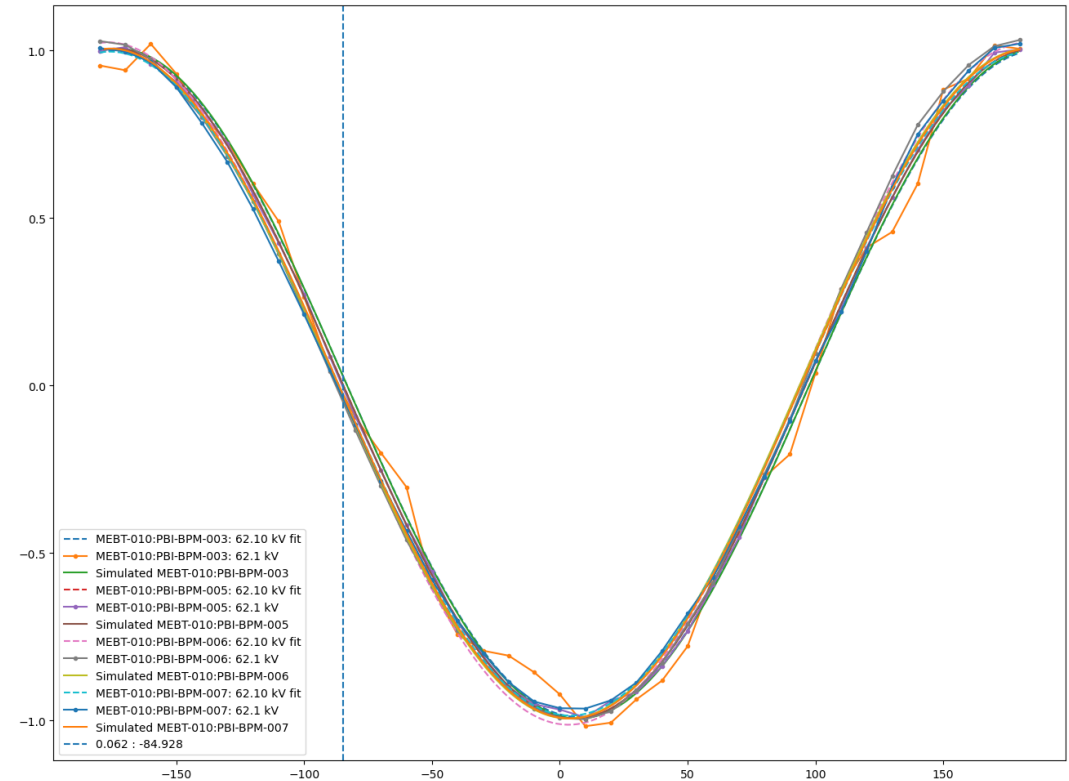
# Buncher Phase Scans



- Weighted sum of fit to expected model response of all BPMs
- BPMs close to buncher may see RF noise (orange)
- Automated fit in ~1 min per buncher



Buncher 2 scan



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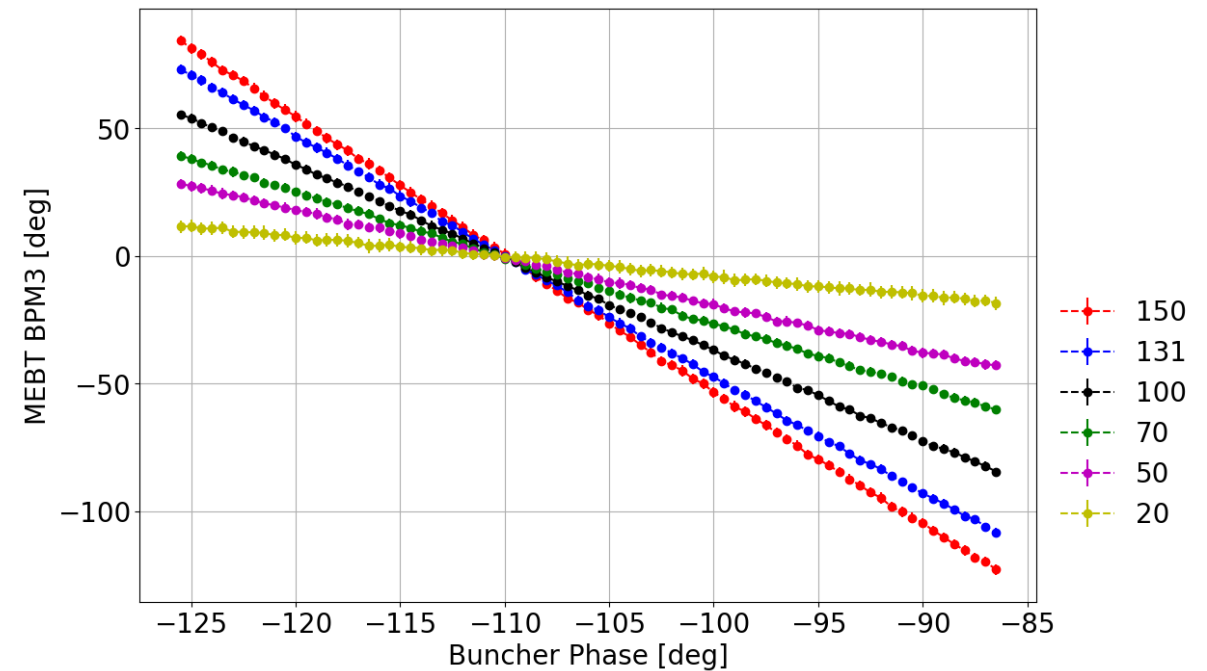
To detune or not to detune



- Compared to measurements with fully detuned buncher 2
- BPM3 & 5 gave -110.4 & -111.2 deg
- Compared to -110.7 deg with no detuning
- Amplitude still to be fully verified
- Low current and short pulse seems reasonable

But ...

Buncher 1 scan

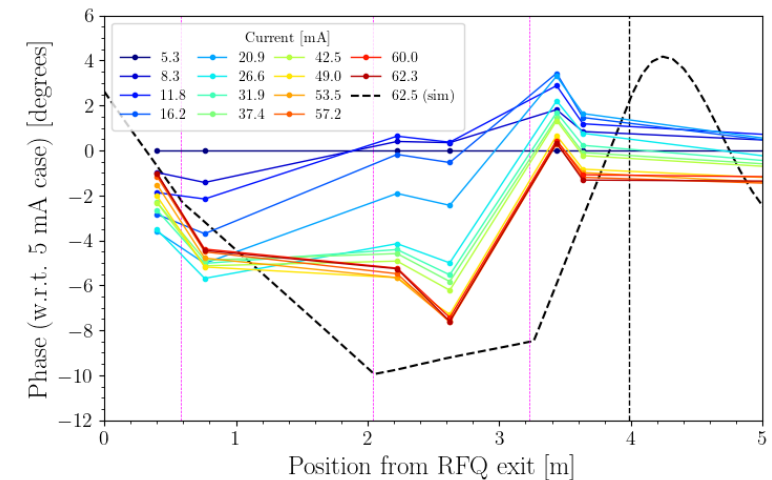
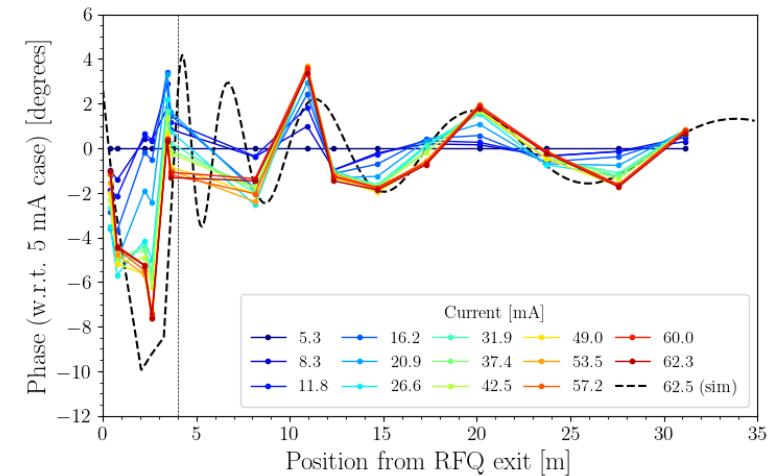


# Phase/current dependence

Significant current dependence on beam phase out of RFQ

- Iris cuts of transverse tails → change energy distribution?
- Less severe when current is lowered by Sol2
- RF phase scan at low current, operations at full current
- Effect dampens with energy but emittance blows up.
- Depends on ISrc HV. (Energy mismatch?)

Note: requirements on the set phase/amp is 1-deg & 1%



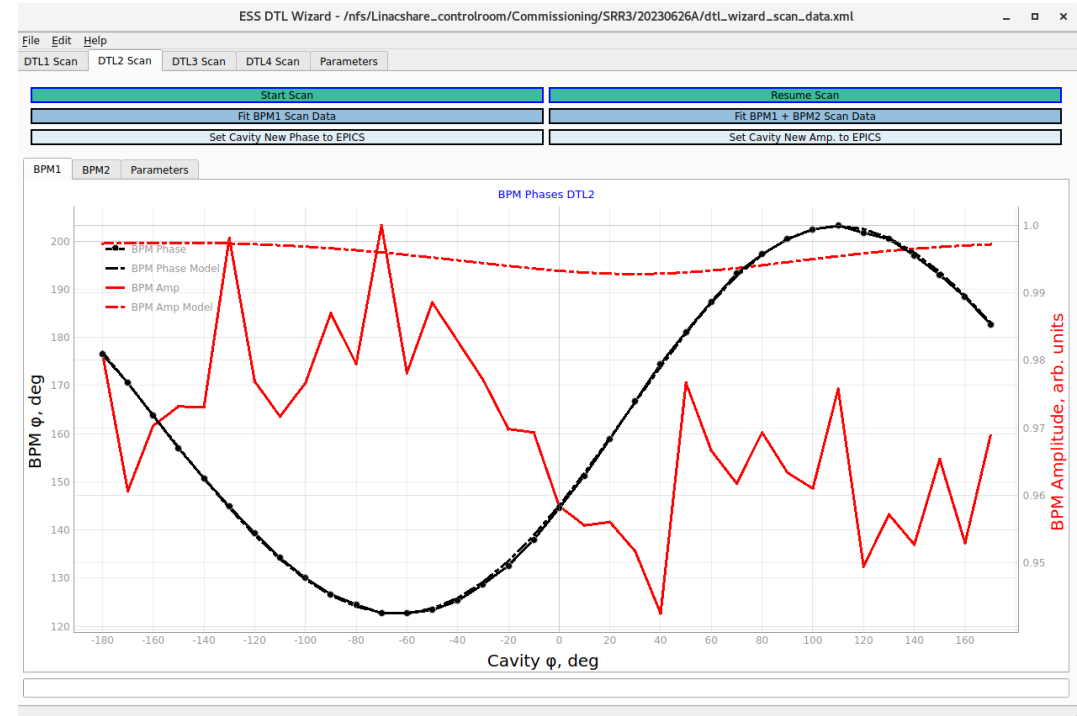
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# DTL Phase Scans

## DTL Wizard application

- Dr. A. Shishlo from SNS visited us for 3 months
- Focus on DTL phase scan strategy
- Developed a new application based on PyORBIT
- Together with Dr. S. Zhukov transitioned PyORBIT from Python2 to Python3  
[github.com/PyORBIT-Collaboration/PyORBIT3](https://github.com/PyORBIT-Collaboration/PyORBIT3)
- Evaluated fitting strategy
  - Suggest BPM1 for first guess, BPM2 for precise fitting
- Model improvement identified: calibration of cavity amplitude should take into account the longitudinal bunch size



**J. Müller - TUC2C2**

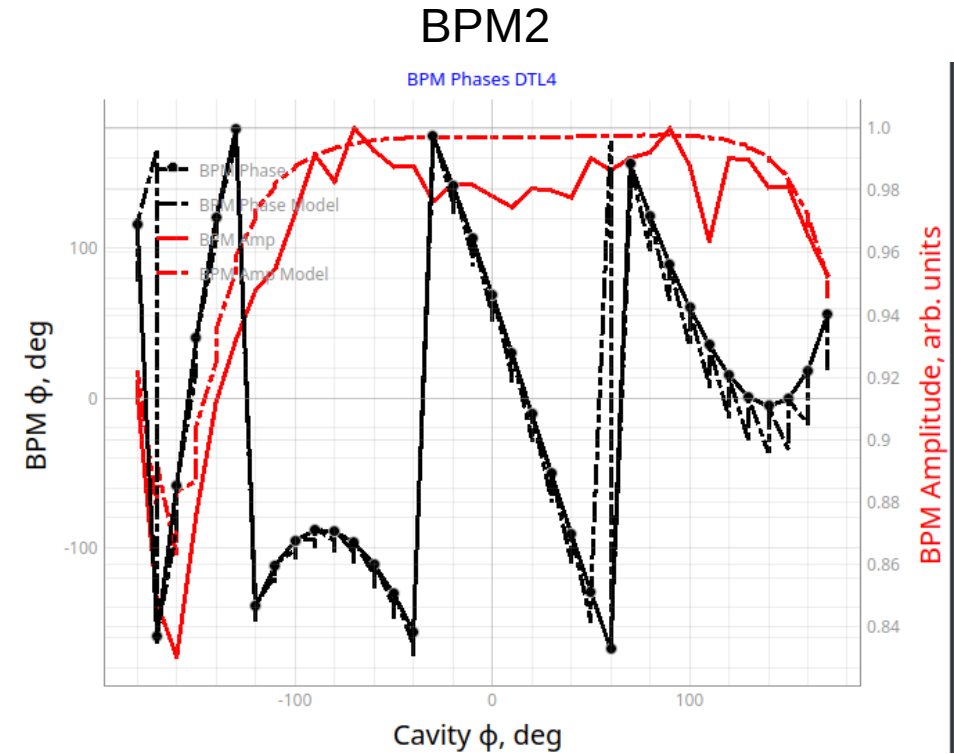
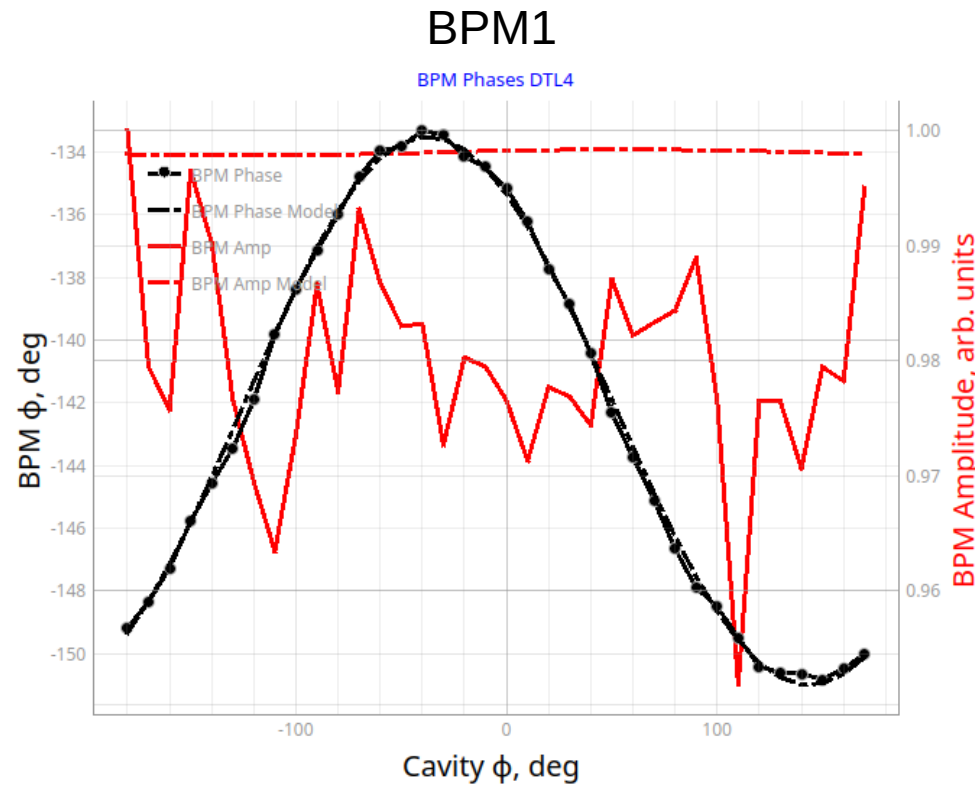
$$\Delta W = qV_0 \cdot TTF \cdot \cos(\phi_0)$$

$$\rho(\phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(\phi-\phi_0)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\langle \Delta W \rangle = \int \rho(\phi) \cdot qV_0 \cdot TTF \cdot \cos(\phi_0) d\phi = qV_0 \cdot TTF \cdot e^{-\frac{\sigma^2}{2}} \cdot \cos(\phi_0)$$

# DTL Phase Scans

Fitting to internal BPM1 only

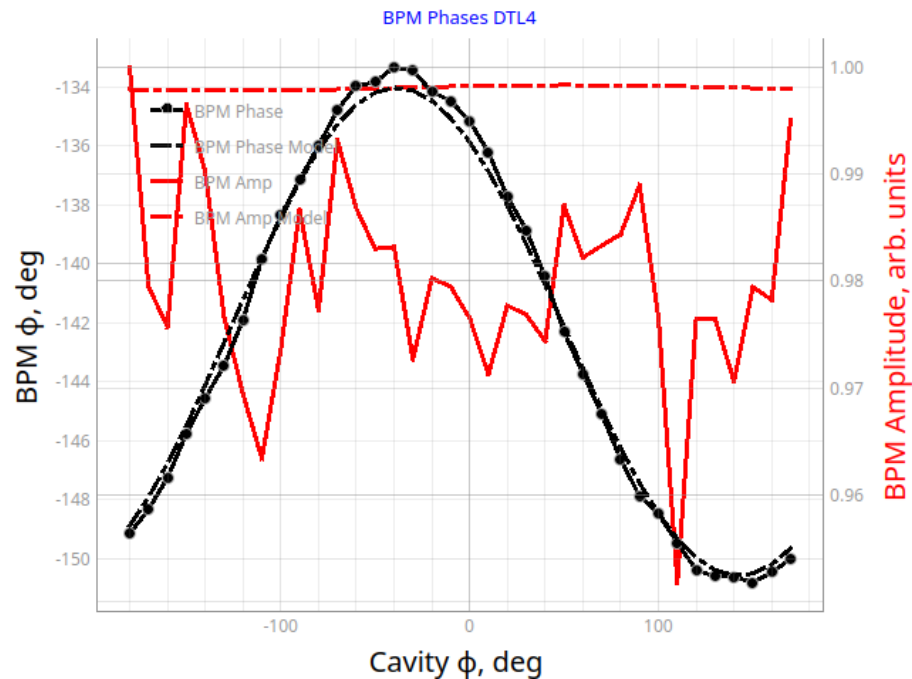


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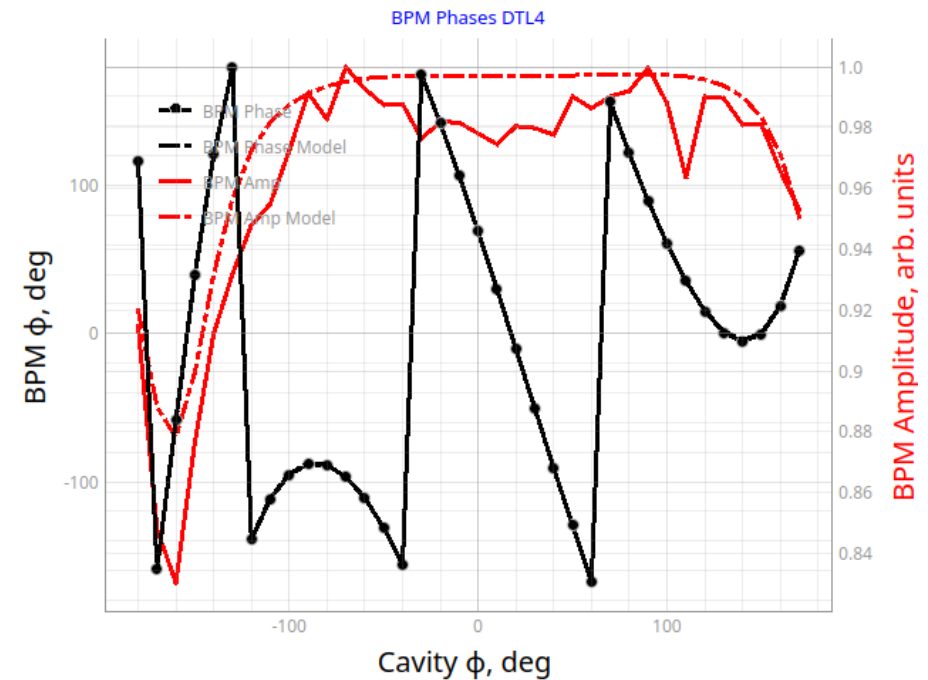
## Fitting to internal BPM1 + BPM2



### BPM1



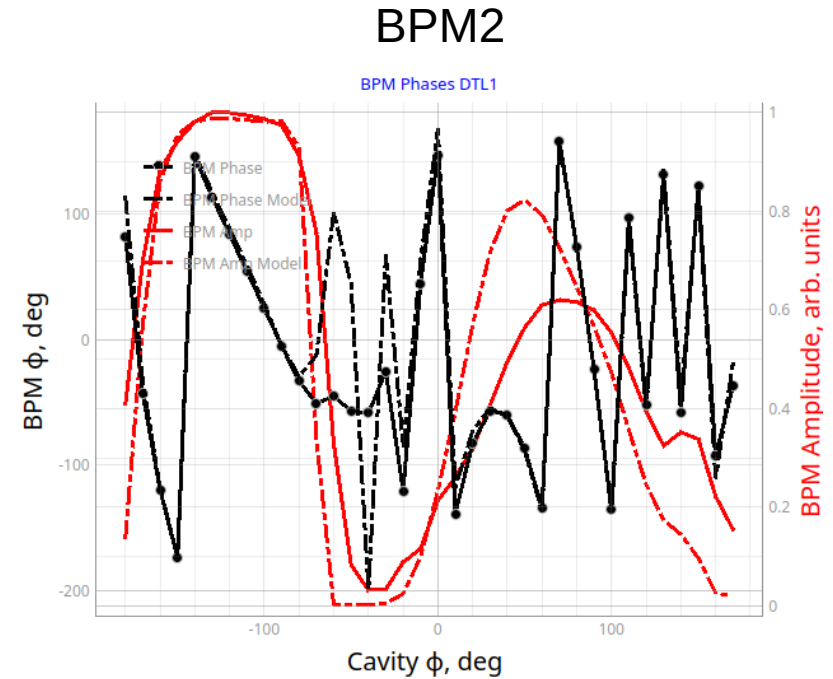
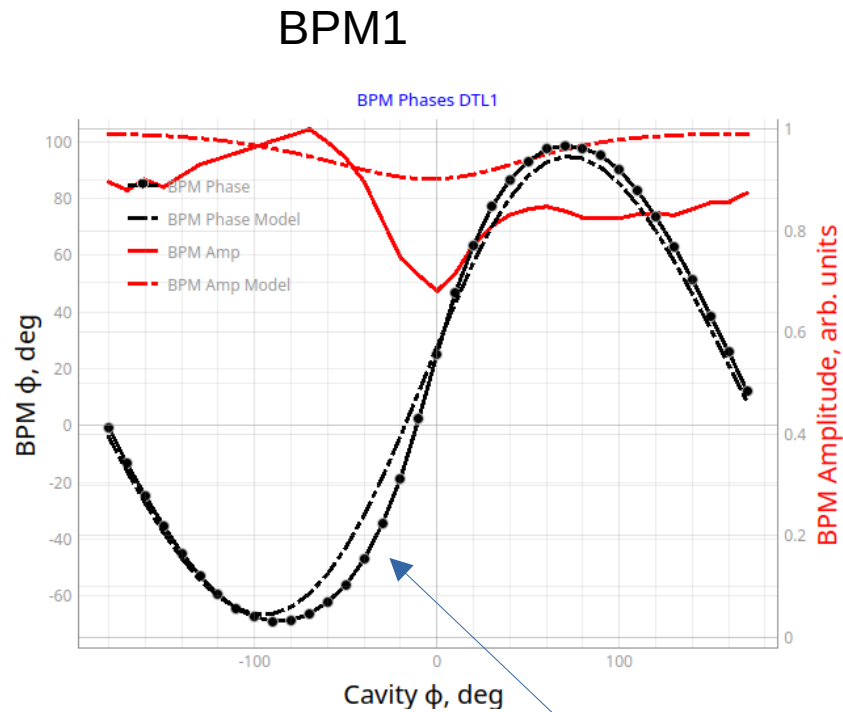
### BPM2



Improved fitting BPM1+2: Use predominantly BPM2 data

# DTL1 Phase Scans

## Fitting to internal BPM1 + BPM2



Generally DTL1 harder to fit  
- matching issues?

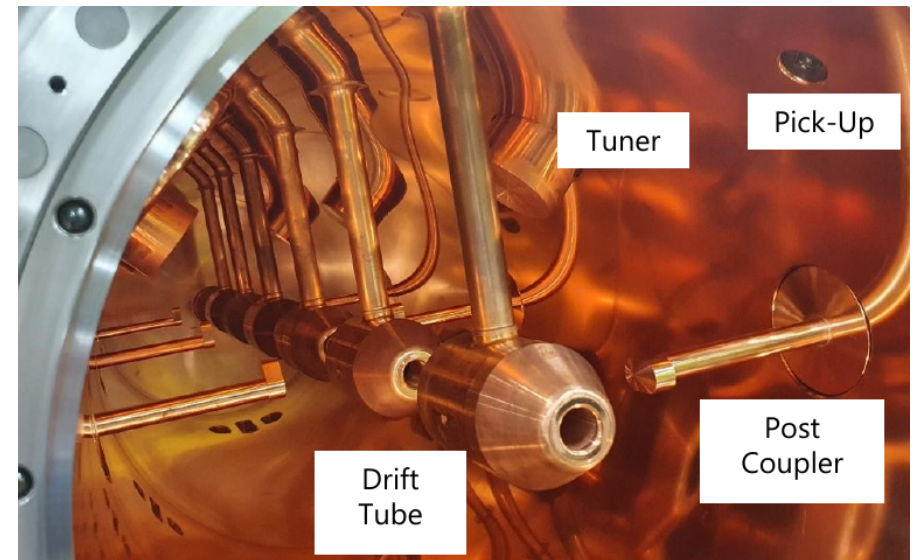
# DTL1 Phase Scans



## Reproducibility?

Shift	DTL1	DTL2	DTL3	DTL4
20230530B	2.89/-131.8	3.0/-101.4	3.25/-198.1	<b>2.58/75.8</b>
20230602B	N/A	3.09/-95.1	3.24/-162.9	2.84/101.0
20230602B	N/A	3.11/-99.0	3.27/-161.6	2.84/101.3
20230626A	2.85/-131.3	3.08/-96.2	3.22/-159.6	2.86/109.1
20230711A	<b>2.91</b> /-152.4	3.08/-115.2	3.22/-179.6	2.85/88.01
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Selecting a different reference pickup?



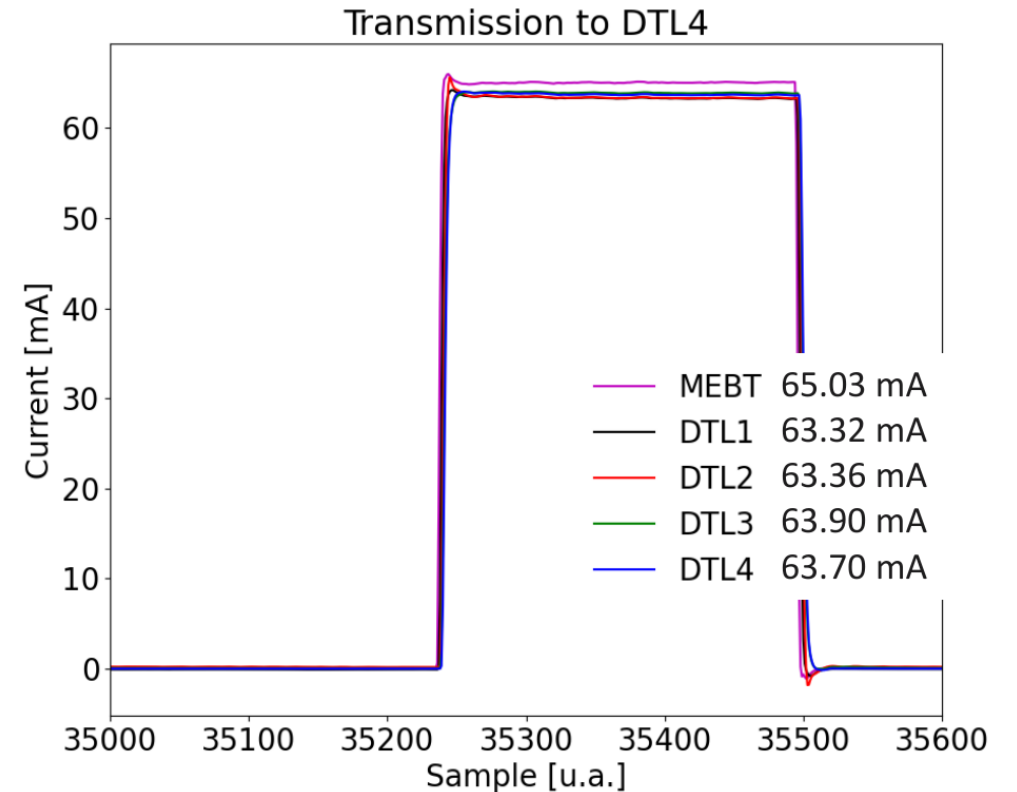
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# DTL Transmission



- Transmission in DTL ~100%
- Lose beam into DTL1
  - Input conditions?
  - Alignment issues?
  - Beam phase dependency on current in RFQ?



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# EMU H data

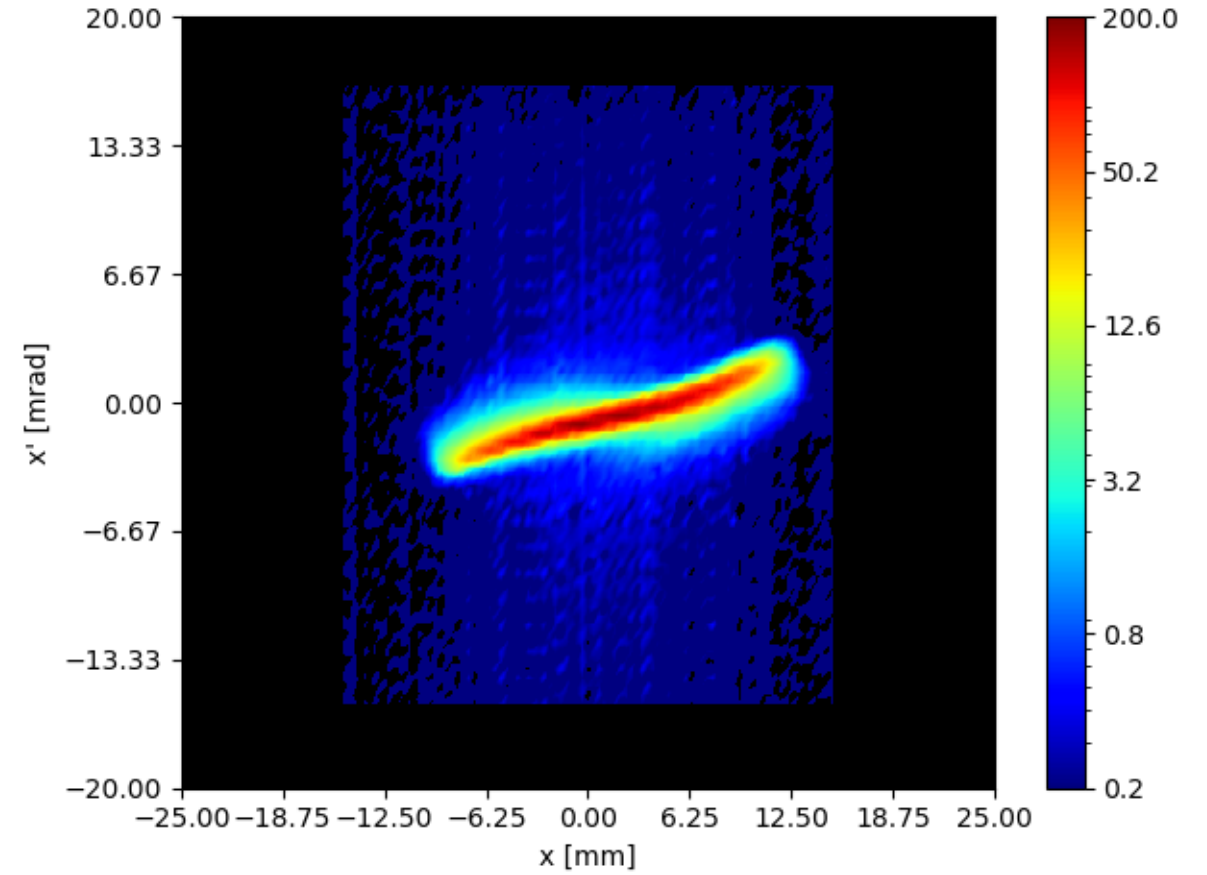


We had horizontal EMU available last days

Technical hurdles and resource limitations

**Results fit very well with model predictions!**

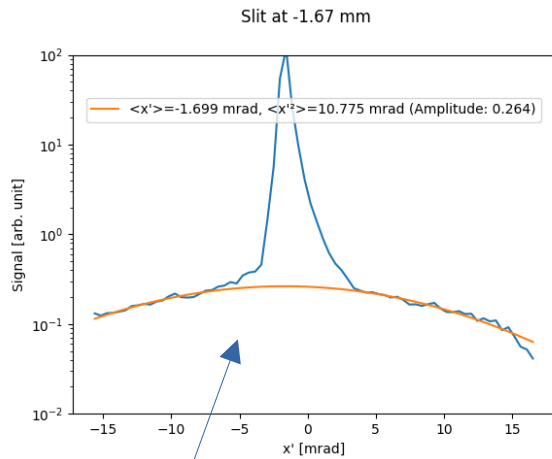
- very encouraging but we need more data



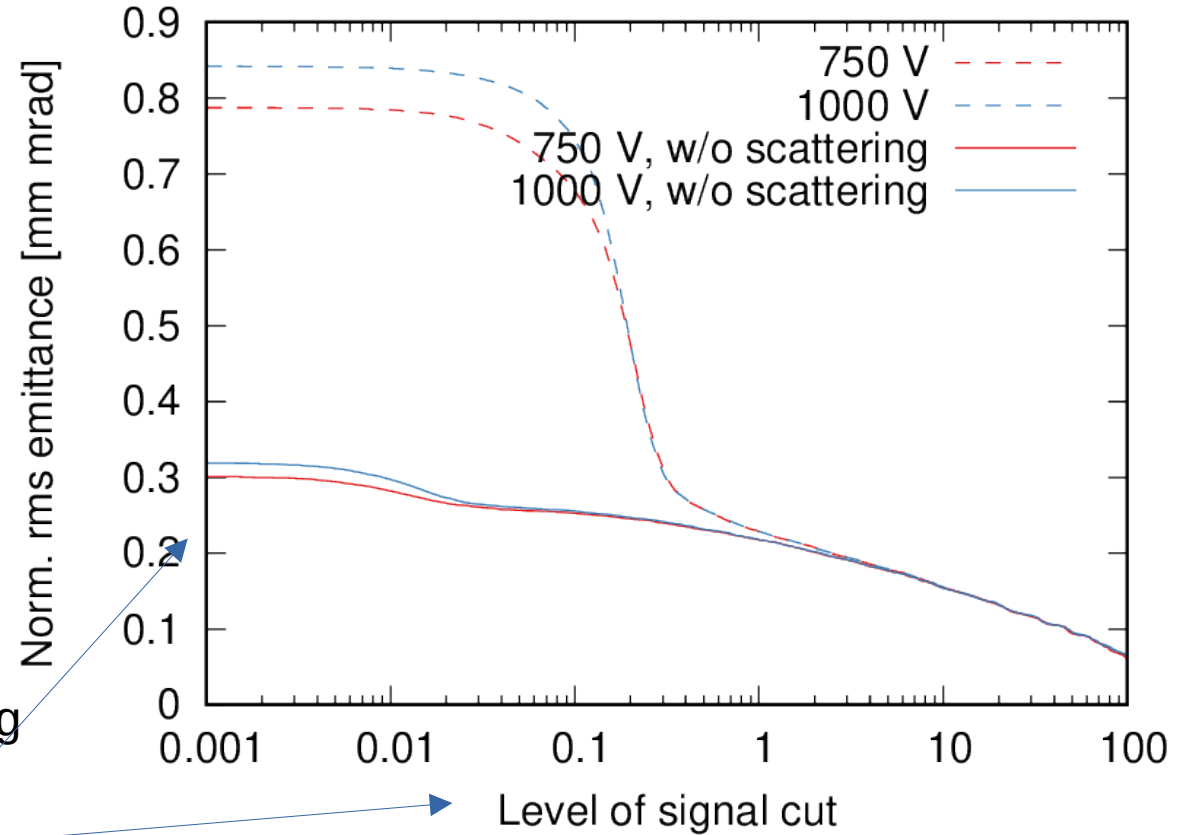
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# EMU H data

## Background subtraction



- Assumes background comes from slit scattering
  - Gaussian distributed
- Fit Gaussian to background and subtract
- Then apply flat signal cut
- ESS design 0.25 mm mrad out of RFQ



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# Full NCL installed

End of September we had the entire NCL installed

A particular congratulations and thanks to the INFN Legnaro colleagues!



# Summary

- **Nominal, 50us beam transported through DTL4**
- Trajectory correction worked well
- Phase scan strategy works well
  - Seems precise, uncertain accuracy?
- Transverse measurement – encouraging
- More attention needed...
  - Matching into DTL1
  - Phase out of RFQ
  - Source characterization
  - 50 us → 2860 us
  - ...
- **A successful commissioning campaign**
  - **Many systems come together**
  - **Learn how to operate**
  - **Learn where attention is needed**