Latest Developments on Field Detection Using Automated Carrier Suppression in the Attosecond Regime for CW Signals

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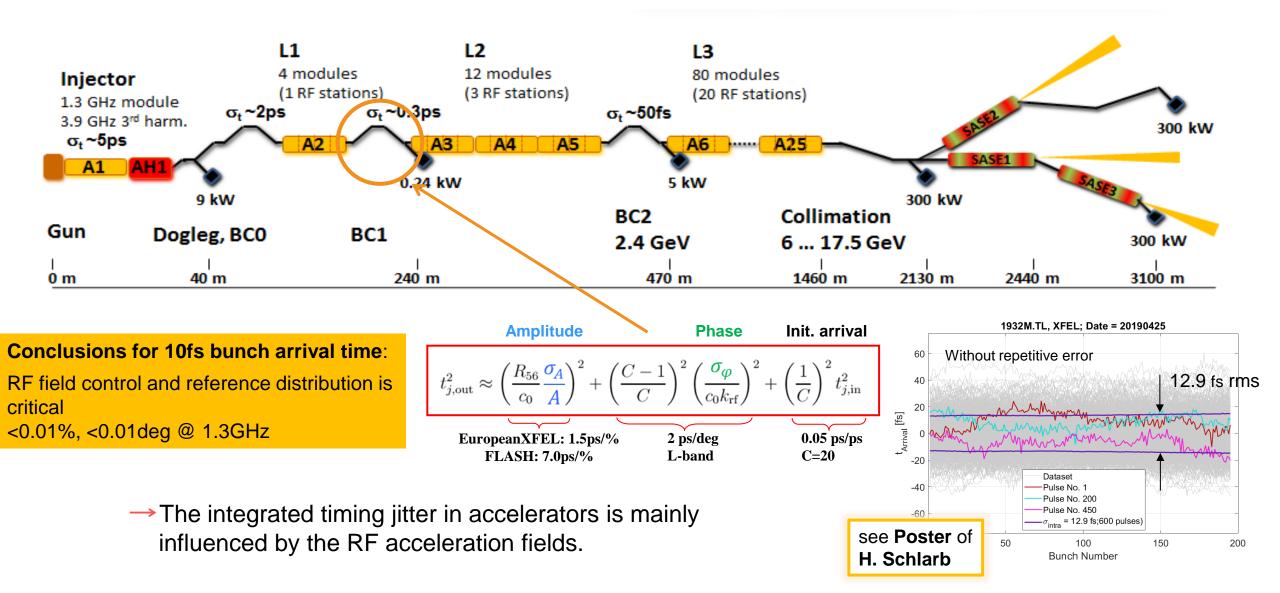
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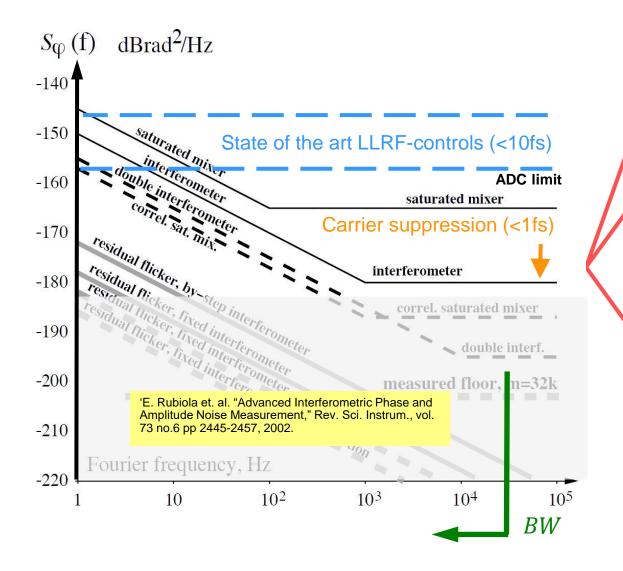
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Motivation



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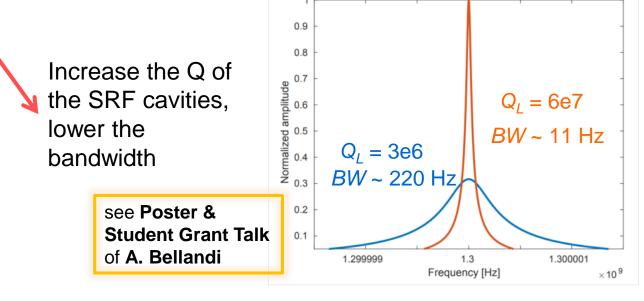
Increasing the field detection resolution



Decrease the noise contribution of the ADCs by parallelization or channel parallelization

Increase the RF input power or limit the carrier signal power

->> Carrier Suppression Interferometer (abbr.: CSI)

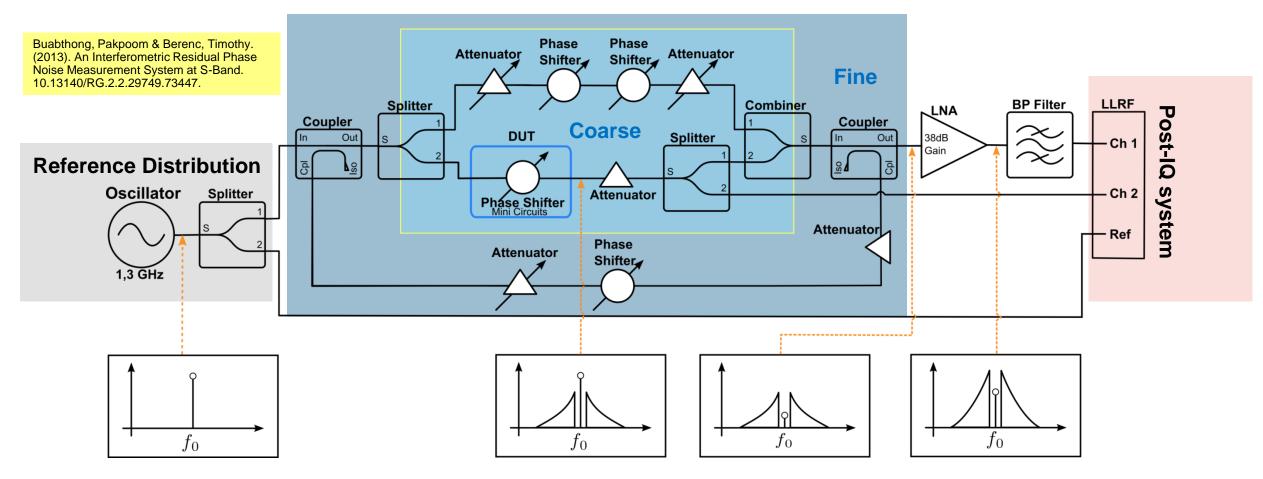


Carrier Suppression Interferometer & Development

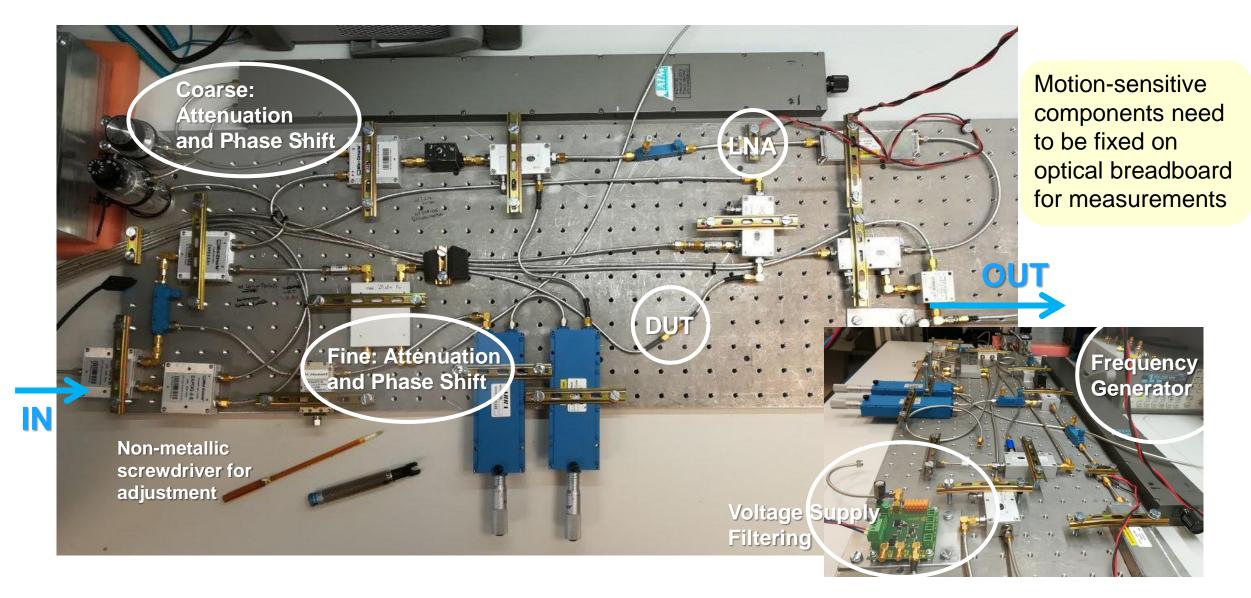
The CSI System

Front End of the LLRF System @DESY based on MicroTCA.4

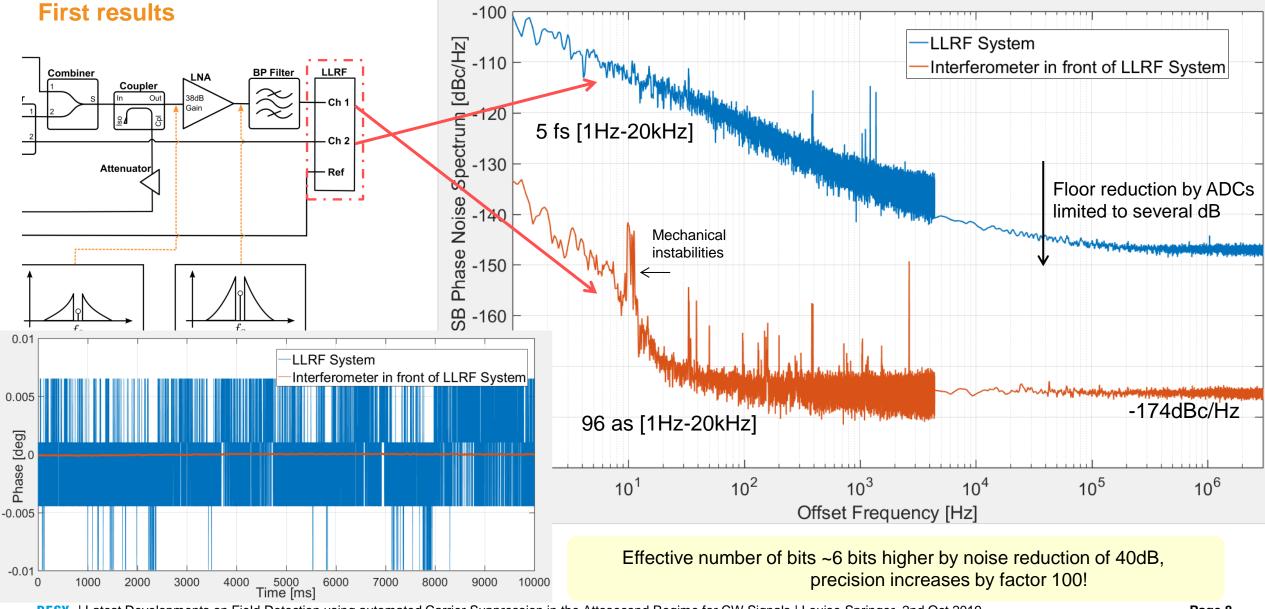
- PN, AN scales with RF-power
- Independent from the LNA performance by Friis
- Needs a carrier tracking for destructive interference
- Very low noise AM and PM stable signal source required



The CSI System in Laboratory

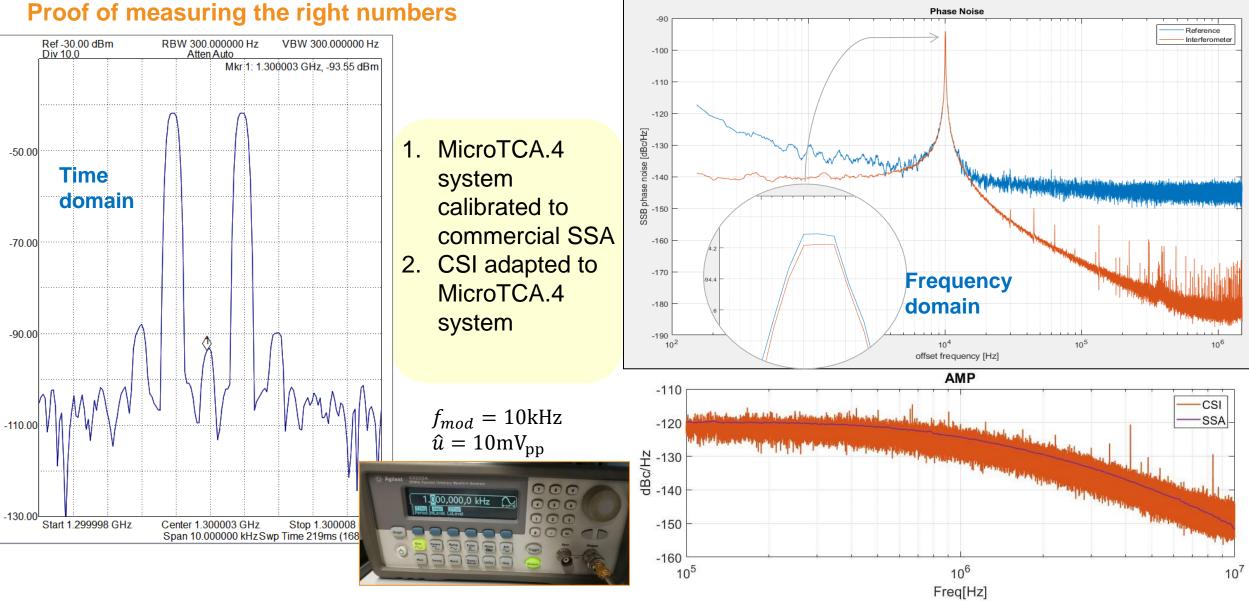


The mechanical CSI System



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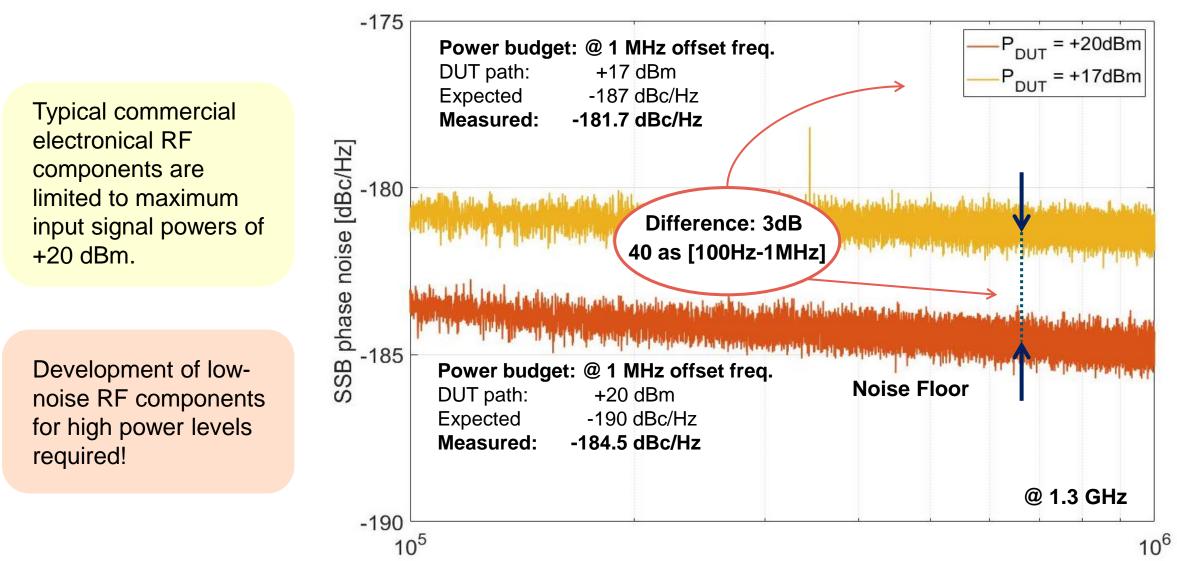
The Calibration of the CSI System



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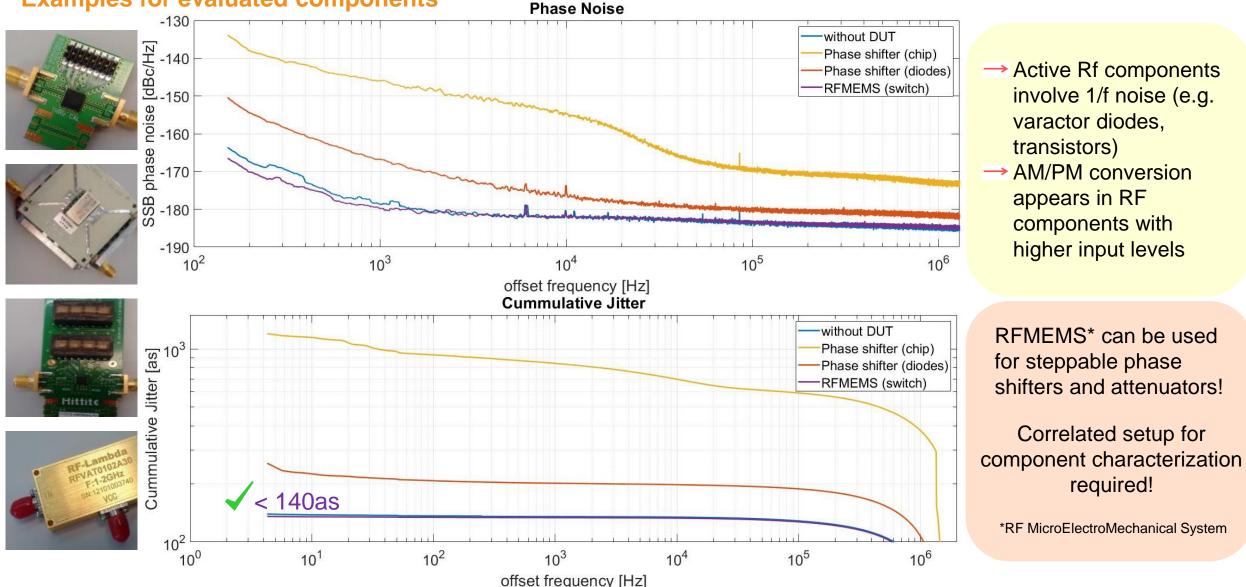
The mechanical CSI System

Amplitude and Phase Noise scales with increasing power



The electronical CSI System

Examples for evaluated components



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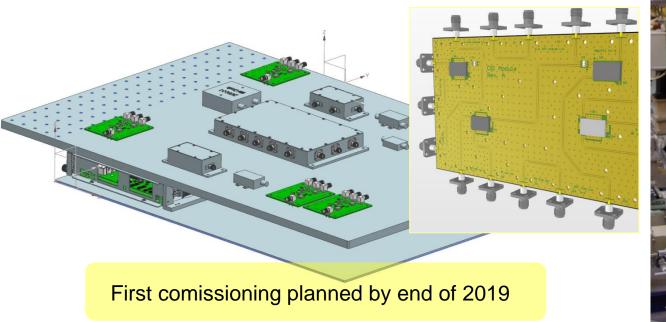
Application

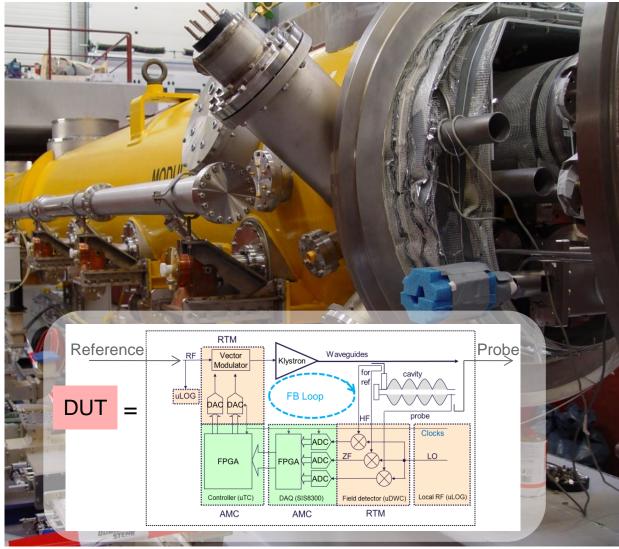
In Preparation: Frontend for the LLRF Detection System

Requirements:

- → electronical phase shifters and attenuators at very low noise level
- → PCB design for accelerator and laboratory environment
- \rightarrow Packaging in 19" box for accelerator environment

→ Automatic carrier suppression





Prospects & Summary

Prospects

Next steps

- Prepare the 19" box for first tests at CMTB@DESY (CW research facility)
- Re-design active devices (phase shifter, attenuators) to ultra low-noise high power operation
- Design continous variable low-noise phase shifter
- Implement automatic carrier suppression
- Far future: cross-correllation CSI



- A mechanical CSI prototype in combination of a MicroTCA.4 LLRF system for AN and PN measurements at -180dBc/Hz with <90as [10Hz-1MHz] @1.3GHz is ready to use in laboratory
- Nevertheless, dynamic range is limited, only applicable to long pulses
- Major EMC and technical noise sources are identified and eliminated in the prototype setup
- First RF components for an automated CSI are characterized
- Working towards major improvements of a LLRF field detection system with <100as resolution

Thank you.

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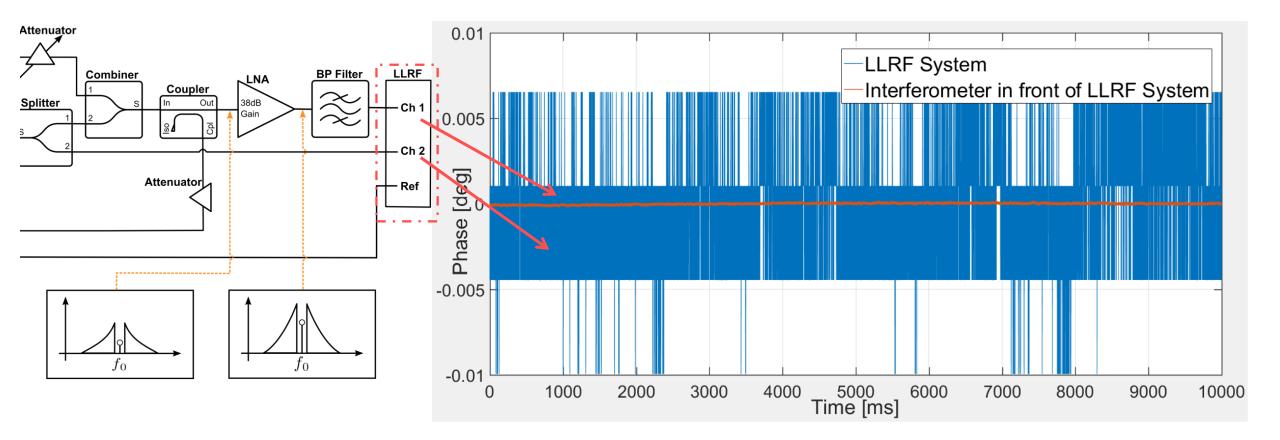
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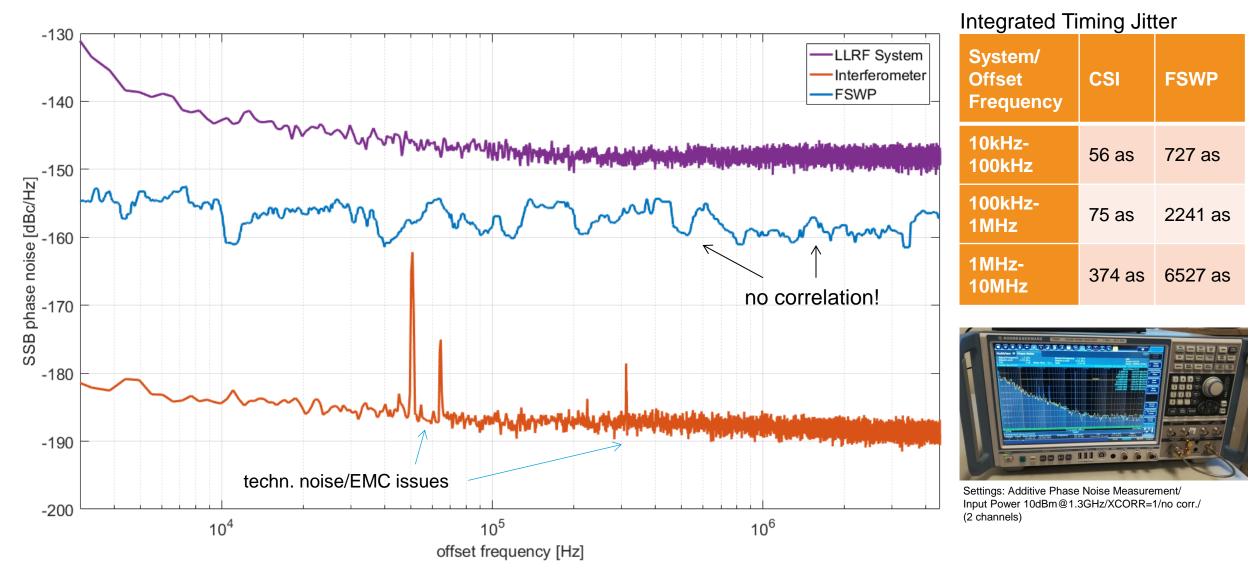


Measurements II



Measurements III

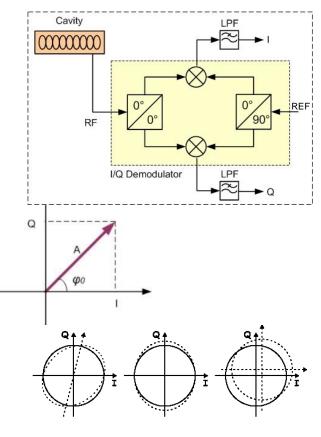
Measurement System Comparison



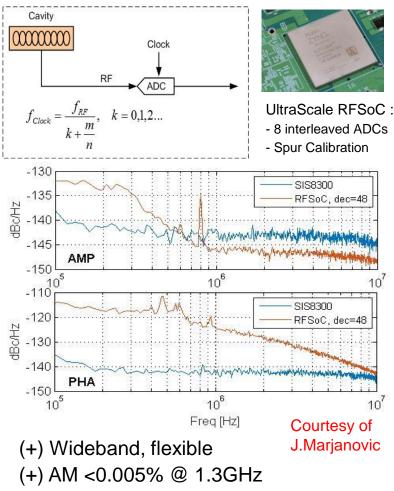
Field Detectors – Modulation Schemes

IQ-baseband Sampling:

Direct Sampling:

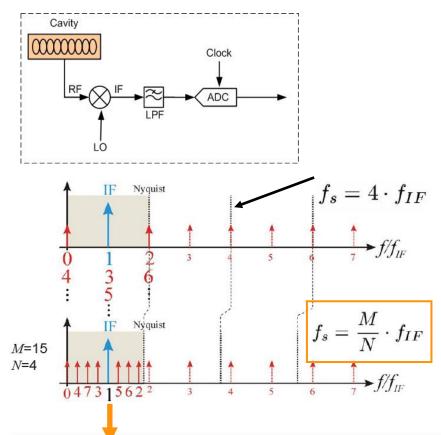


(+) No LO-Generation
(--) IQ-Errors in the % range
(--) PM to AM effects
(--) IQ-Calibration is needed



- (--) SNR sensitive to CLK jitter
 - due to high input frequency





(+) Most harmonics do not alias into the signal(+) No PM to AM effects

(+) Analog mixer 'magnifies' the RF time jitter

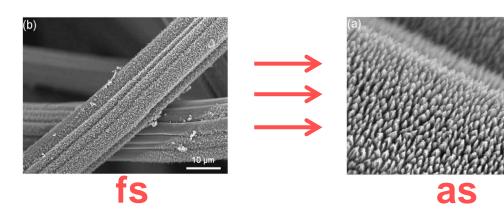
Motivation

Main Interest

• Field detection for LLRF systems for SRF cavities in the attosecond

range

- Implement more precise detection scheme based on carrier suppression
- Application in all accelerator types intended, CW preferred



Source: M. Cantoro, et al.: Wet catalyst assisted growth of carbon nanofibers on complex three-dimensional substrates; Department of Engineering, University of Cambridge

