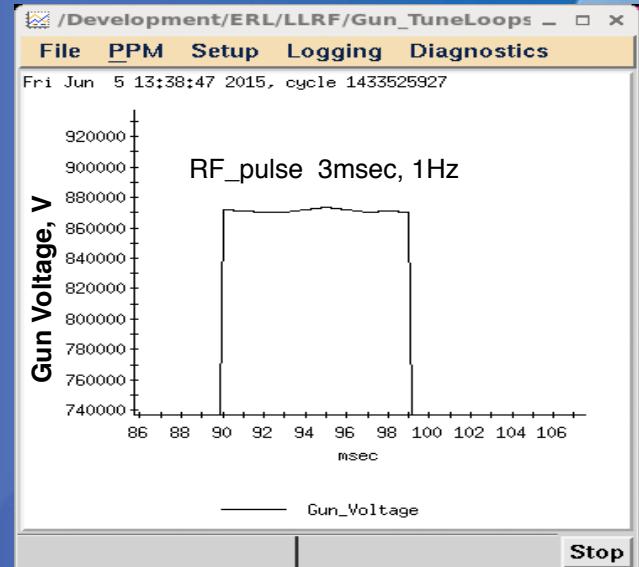
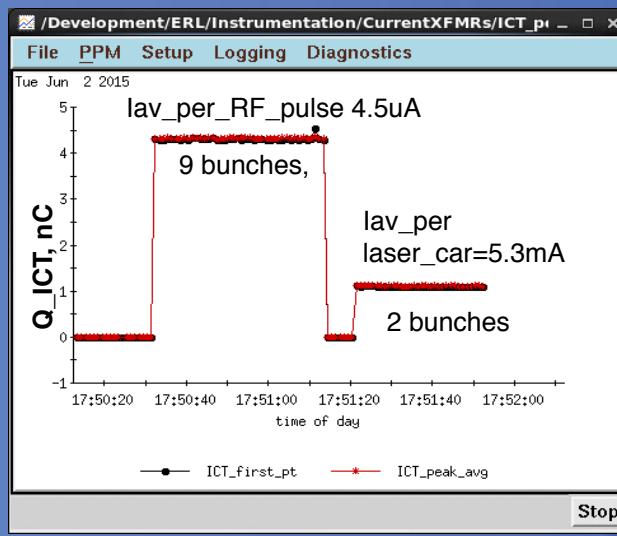
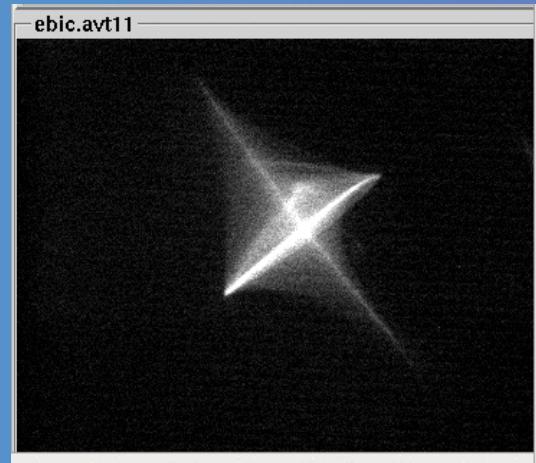




## Status and Commissioning Progress of the R&D ERL at BNL



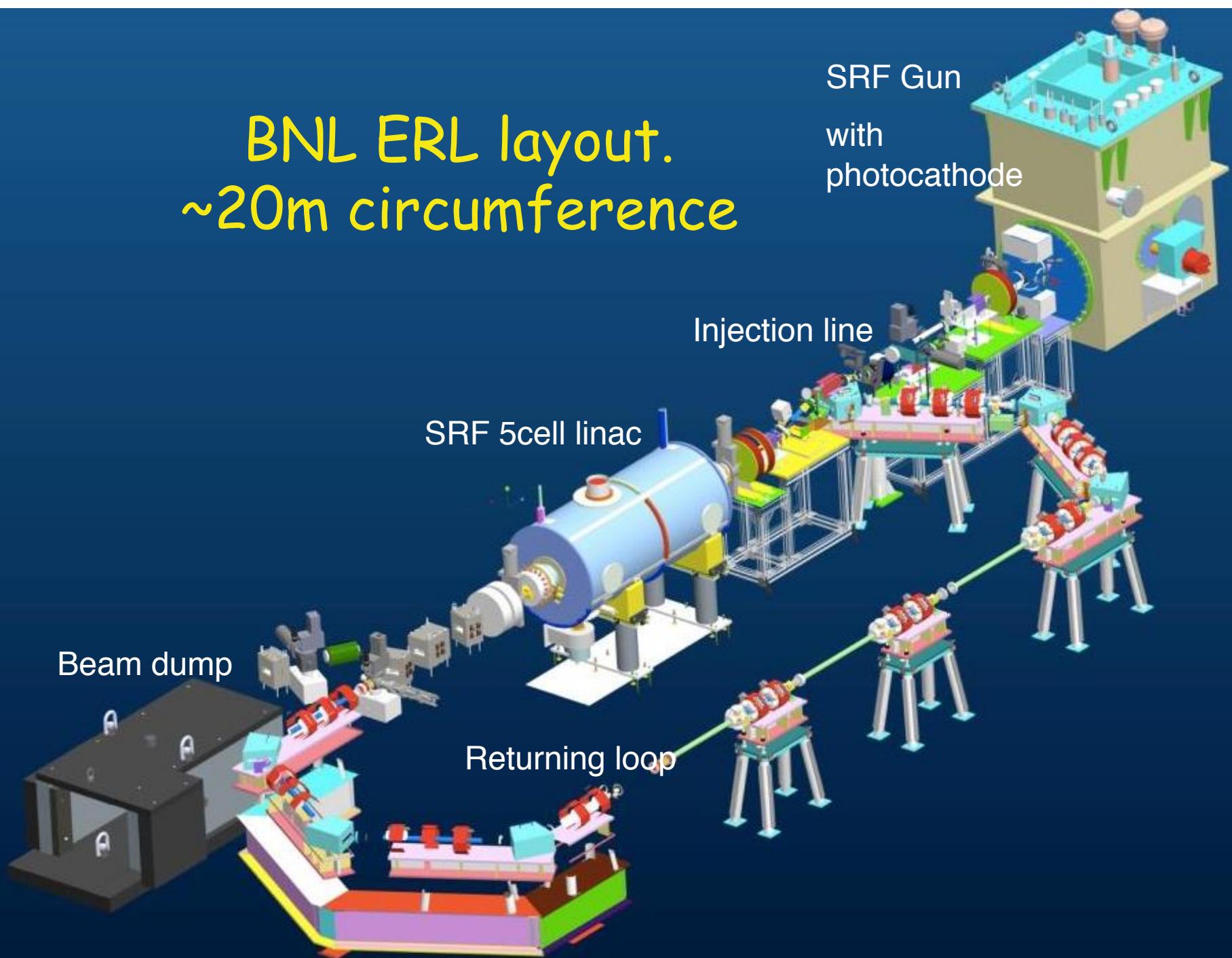
Dmitry Kayran, for BNL R&D ERL team



Stony Brook, NY, USA, June 7-12, 2015



# BNL ERL layout. ~20m circumference



# R&D ERL: Installation and commissioning progress

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Strategy: Start commission system by system of key components when systems and resources are available.

Milestones :

- High power RF components installed and commissioned (2005-2007)
- SRF 5-cell installed and cold emission test completed (2009)
- 9.4MHz Laser system commissioned (2009)
- Digital LLRF system commissioning (2012)
- 2 K LHe cryogenic system/refrigerator commissioned (2012)
- SRF half-cell gun cold emission test w/o cathode (2013)
- Conditioning of the SRF gun with a copper cathode stalk (Jan 2014)
- Beam instrumentation installed, commissioning continues.

# Mile stones: commissioning with beam

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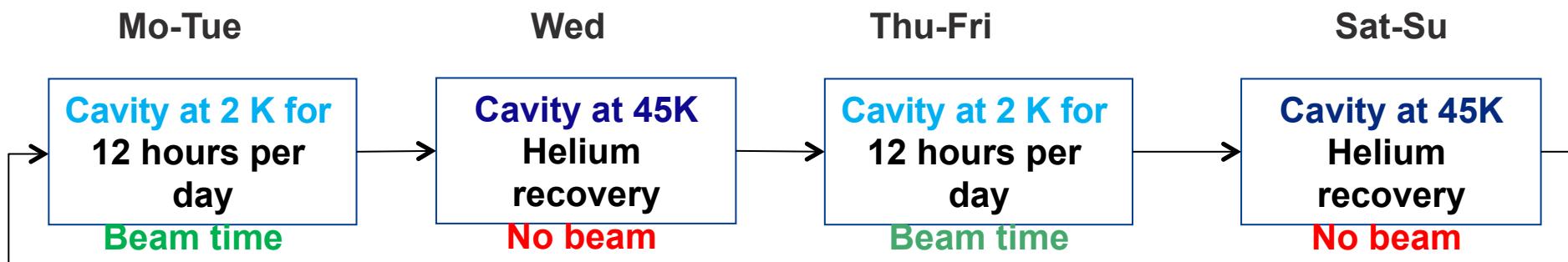
- First beam from the SRF gun with CsK2Sb photo cathode (Nov. 2014)
- DOE Approved to beam commissioning Gun to dump (Jan 2015)
- New cathode conditioned (Jan 2015)
- All ERL components installed, ARR for full ERL commissioning (May 2015)
- First good QE cathode (May 2015)
- High charge per bunch from the gun (achieved June 2015)

## Future plans

- Gun into beam dump commissioning (Summer 2015)
- ERL beam test low current (Fall 2015)
- Laser system upgrade (Fall 2015)
- Gun to dump then ERL gradually increase current (until Feb 2017).
- Preparing for commissioning ERL components at RHIC IP2 for Low Energy RHIC electron cooler. (Feb 2017-March 2018)

# ERL gun commissioning job flow

- ERL Cryogenic system is capable of providing 2K cold operation time of the SRF gun up to 16 hours in low power load mode.
- Then 8 hours hold at 4.5 K.
- After that it requires 1-2 days for helium recovery
- We can run the gun maximum four days per week



## Optimum schedule

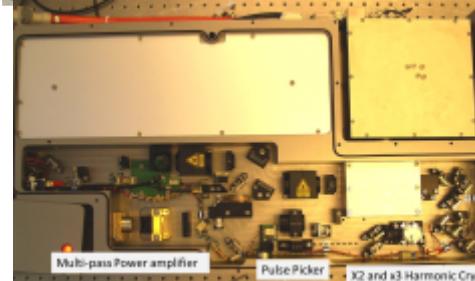
Monday : Cool down the gun to 2 K, Insert cathode, stay at 2 K for 16 hours; then, hold 4.5 K over night  
Tuesday : Cool down the gun to 2 K, stay at 2 K for 16 hours; then, remove cathode warm it up to 40 K over night;  
Wednesday, the gun with stay at 45K cathode is out;  
Thursday Cool down the gun to 2 K, Insert cathode, stay at 2 K for 16 hours; then, hold 4.5 K over night.  
Friday, Cool down the gun to 2 K, stay at 2 K for 16 hours; then, remove cathode warm it up to 40 K over night  
Saturday, Sunday, the gun with stay at 45K cathode is out  
Beam time / Cryogenic time about 38%

# Laser system

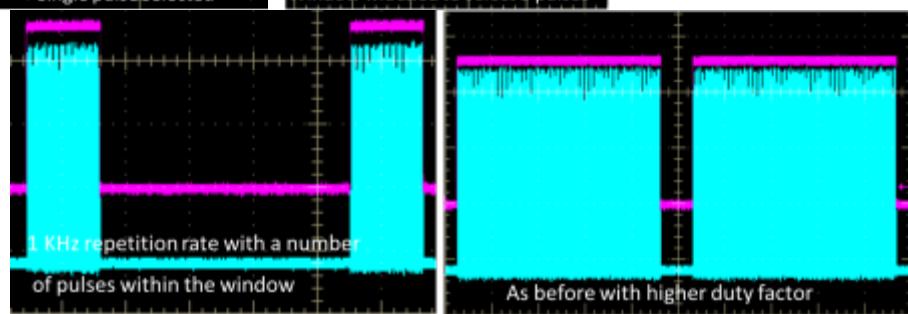
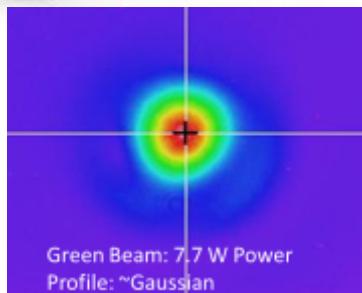
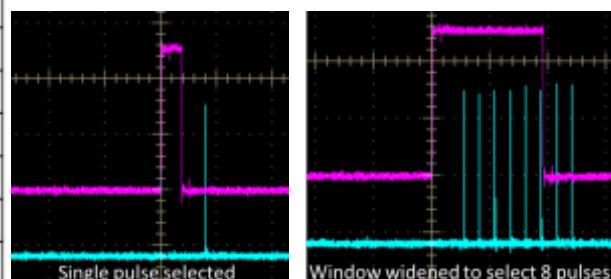
## • Lumera Laser:

### Specifications for the Laser System

Ability to lock and follow master RF clock	
Master RF Repetition Rate	703.75 MHz
Laser PRF (Phase I for ERL)	Sub multiple of 703.75 MHz
Laser PRF (Phase II for RHIC II)	9.383 MHz
Frequency tunability	+/- 1 MHz
Synchronization deviation to master oscillator	<1 ps
Pulse Length	5-12 ps
Jitter in pulse length	0.1 ps
Final Output wavelength	355 nm
Optional output wavelength	532 nm
Beam Quality @ 355 nm	$TEM_{00}$ ; $M^2 \leq 1.5$
Optimized for a required power at 355 nm	>5 W
Average output power stability at 355 nm	< 1% rms
Amplitude noise	< 1% rms



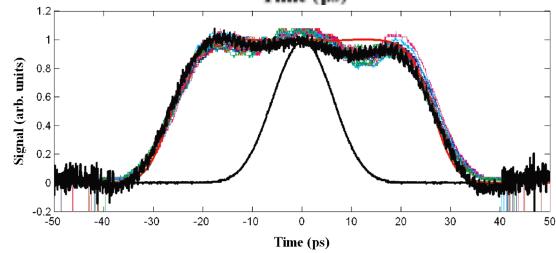
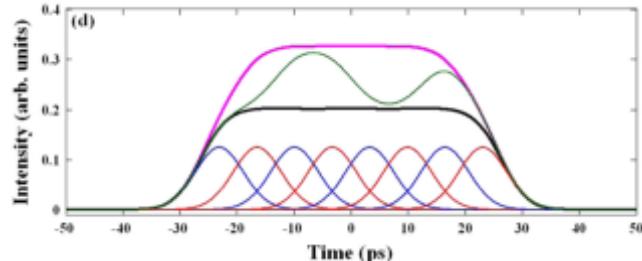
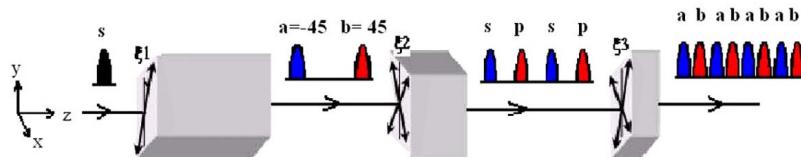
Pulse Selector Performance



Commissioned and operational  
since 2009

# Laser pulses manipulation

## Birefringent Method



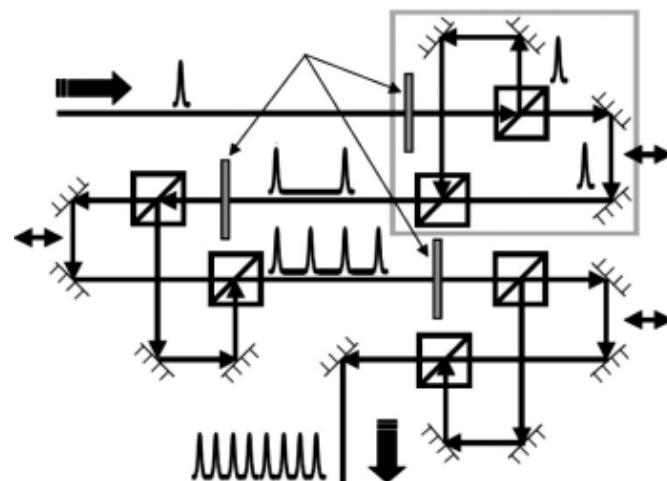
Sharma et al  
PRSTAB 2009

- No adjustable parameters
- Crystal length and quality issues

Used to increase pulse width by 4, 8 and pulse flat.

Tested with e-beam

## Interferometric Method



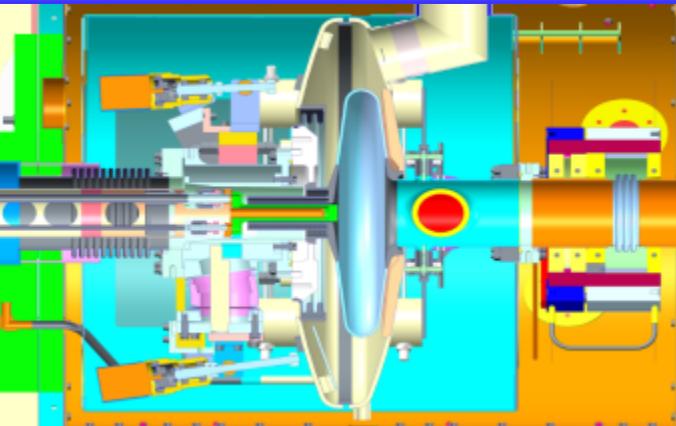
Tomizawa et al Quant Elec 2007

- Extremely sensitive to alignment
  - Stability

Used to increase to increase rep. rate by 4. (to 4\*9.38MHz)

Ready to test with e-beam

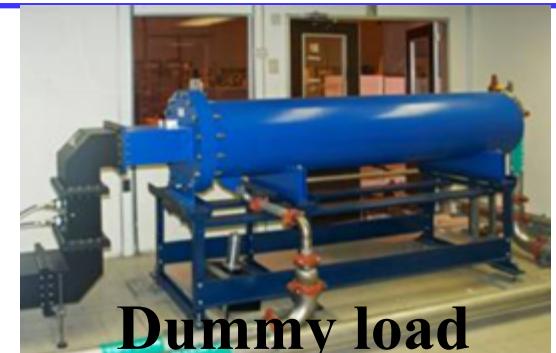
# 704 MHz SRF Gun: 2 MV CW operation



½ cell SRF gun



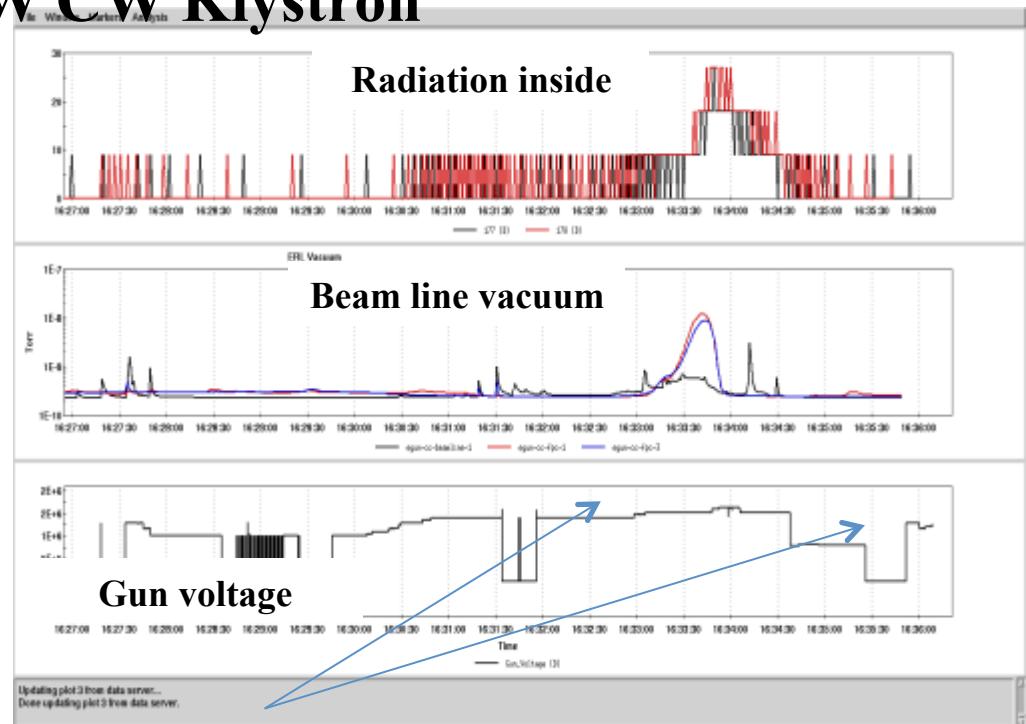
1MW CW Klystron



Dummy load

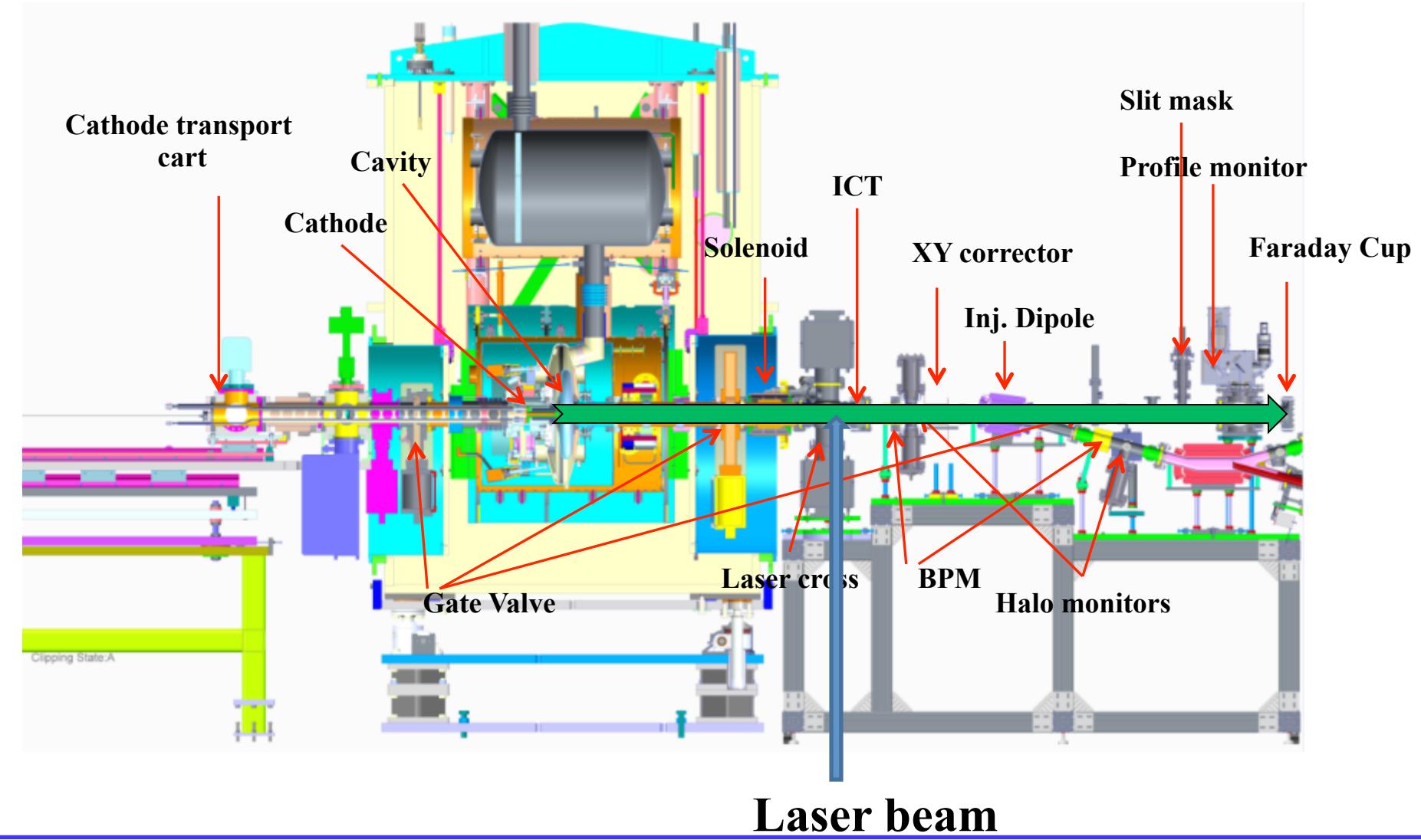


SRF gun before installation into the cryomodule. March 2011

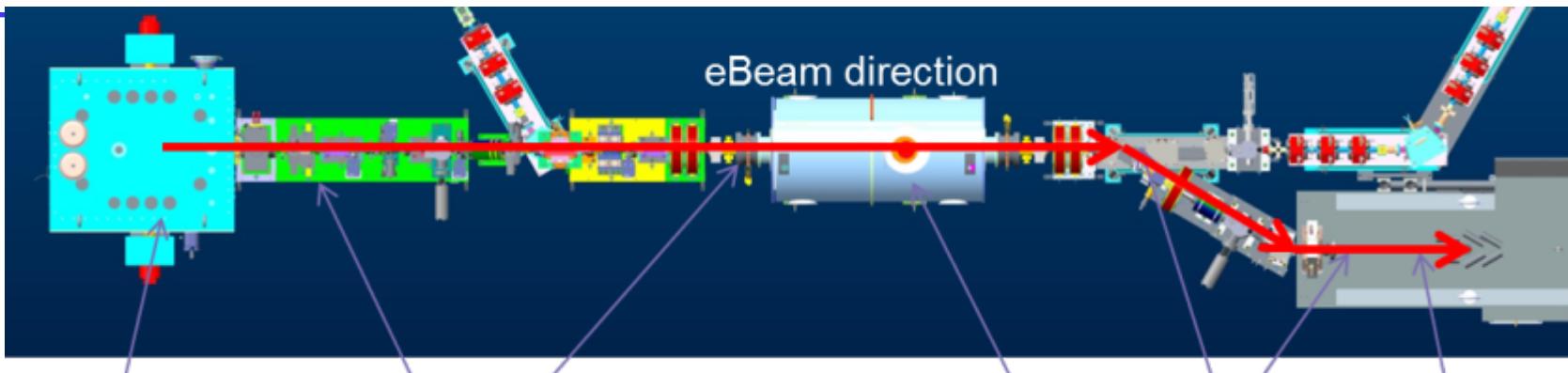


1-2 MV CW operation of 704 MHZ SRF gun at BNL

# Gun to FC beam test setup



## Goals of Gun to Dump commissioning stages (ARR stage I)

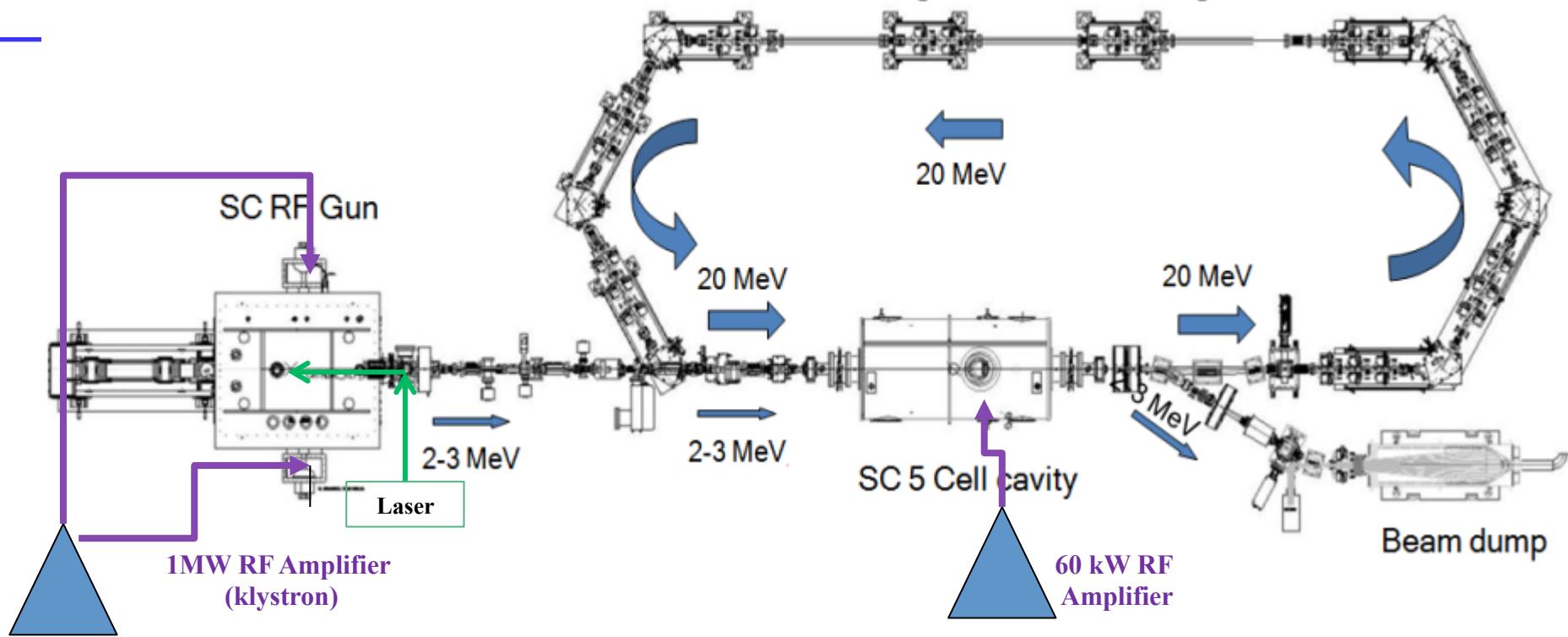


- Injection line commissioning (low current)
  - *transport beam through the ERL injection line (ZigZag)*
  - *calibrate beam loss monitors*
  - **establish routine and fault dose rates external to the shielding**
- Extraction and beam dump commissioning (low current)
  - *transport beam through 5cell cavity and the ERL extraction line to beam dump*
  - *calibrate beam loss monitors and DCCTs*
  - *establish close to 100% beam to dump transport line propagation*
  - *carry out beam measurements*
  - **establish routine and fault dose rates external to the shielding**
- High Intensity Studies (final stage)
  - *demonstrate stable gun operation at minimum 30 mA average current*
  - *conduct cathode life time studies*
  - *beam dump commissioning*
  - **establish routine dose rates external to the shielding**

**Learning the machine performance during previous commissioning phases allows proceeding with smooth transition to loop commissioning.**

# R&D ERL full commissioning ARR II

Straight section is 7m long



## Beam Parameters

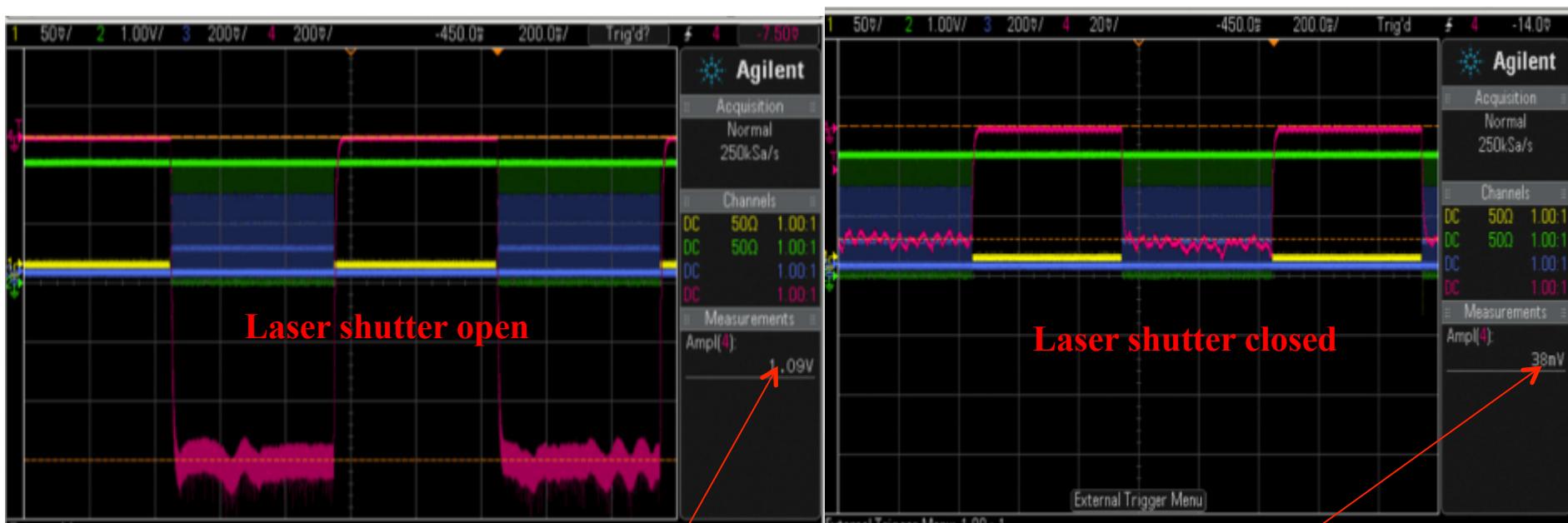
### Commissioning goal:

Injection energy:	2 MeV
Top energy:	20 MeV
Multi-Alkali photocathode :	QE>3e-3
Laser repetition rate:	9.4 MHz
Operating: single or/and train pulses	
Charge per bunch:	1 nC
Average current :	30 mA

### ASE limits (controlled by design)

Max SRF Gun Energy	<3.5 MeV
Power source for SRF	< 1.5 MW
Max loop electron energy	<25 MeV
Maximum Reactive Power:	< 10MW
Power source for 5cell cavity	< 60 kW
Extraction Beam energy	<3.5 MeV
Extraction beam power	< 1.5 MW

# First beam, old cathode Nov 2014.



Faraday cup signal ( $1M\Omega$  termination)

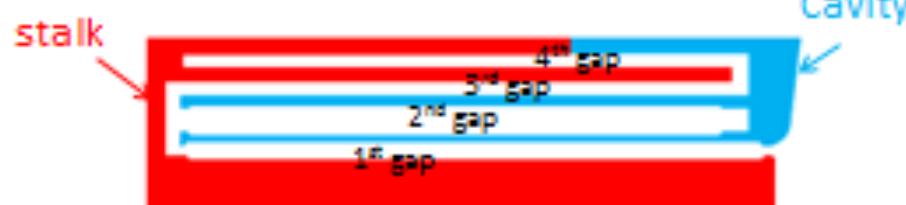
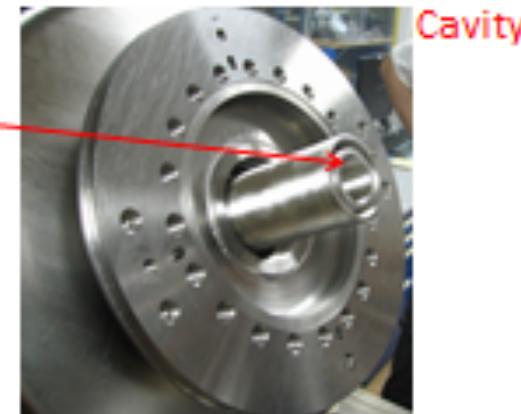
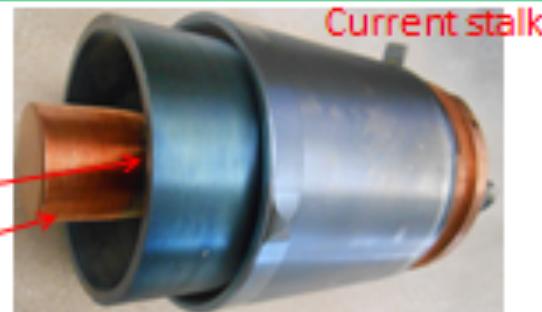
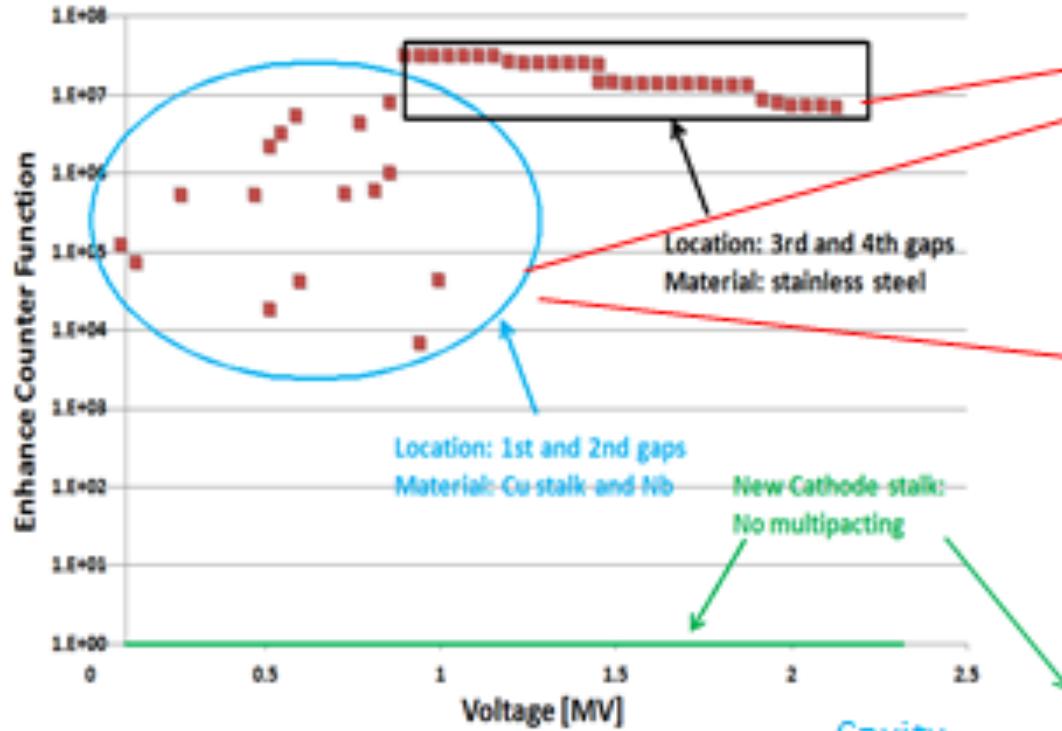
## Set up

- Laser: 6.1 Watt, green,  
Pulse structure 7  $\mu$ sec, every 500  $\mu$ sec; 9.38MHz rep rate.
- RF: 1.2 MV, 500 ms;
- Beam:  
bunch charge: 7.7 pC,  
Average per RF pulse  
photocurrent 1  $\mu$ A, dark current 38 nA;
- Photocathode col (QE=2.7e-5 Very low!!!)



# New cathode stalk with Ta tip

Multipacting in the choke-joint cathode stalk



Wencan Xu  
Courtesy Wencan Xu, more details on Tuesday,  
WG1+WG4 joint session.

C-EAD Machine Advisory Committee Meeting

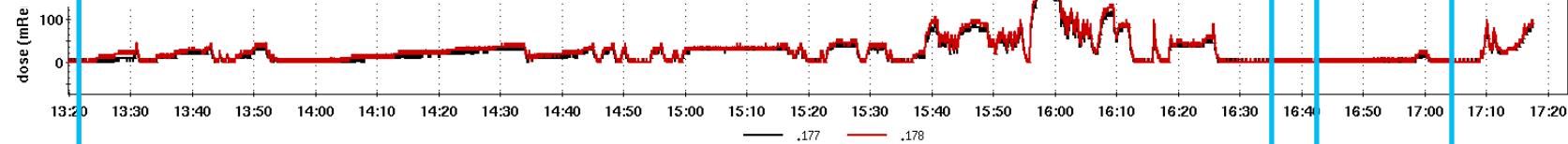
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# Conditioning Gun with new cathode stalk.

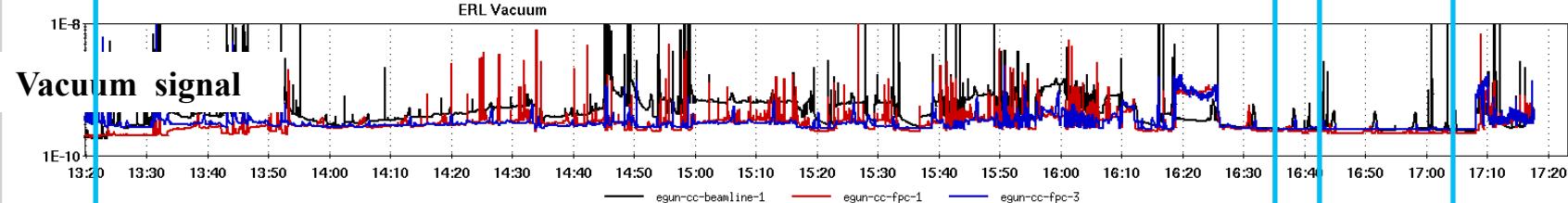


File Window Markers Analysis

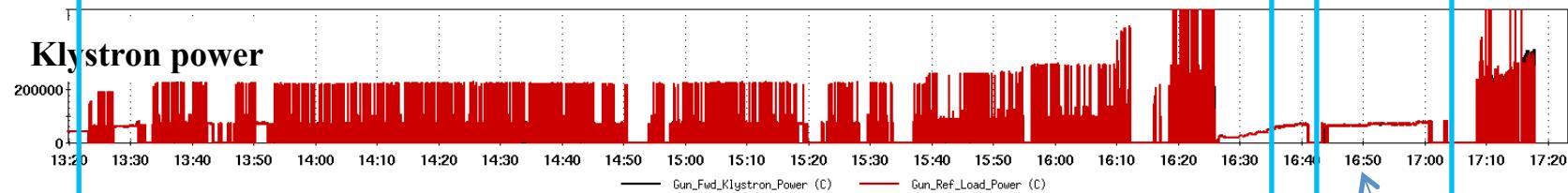
## Radiation inside



## Vacuum signal

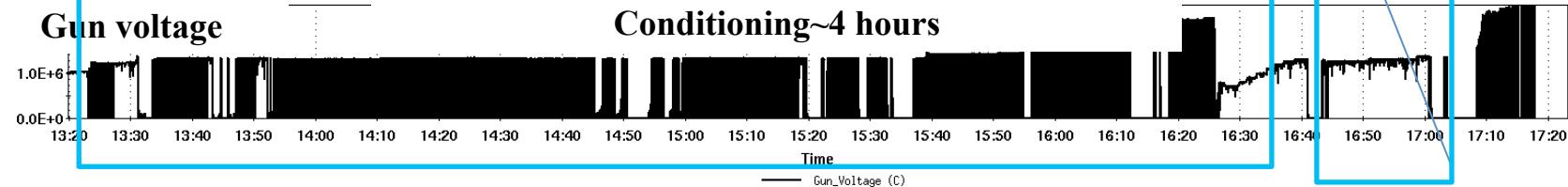


## Klystron power



## Gun voltage

Conditioning~4 hours

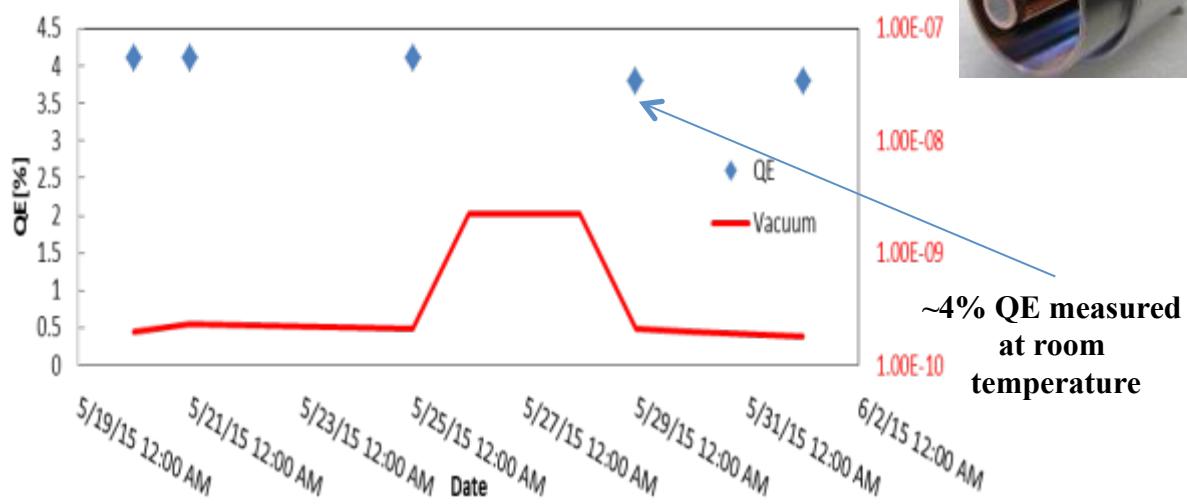


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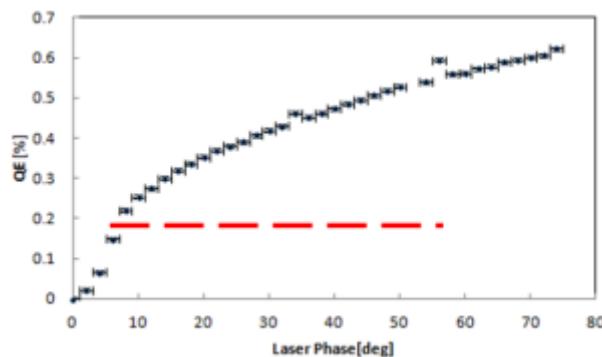
1.25MV CW  
Good vacuum,  
No radiation

# QE with new Ta cathode



## ERL Cathode deposition system at BLD912

- We tested 3.8% QE K<sub>2</sub>CsSb cathode in the 704MHz SRF gun.
- The cathode survives well the gun and stalk RF conditioning.
- The cathode QE inside the gun (cold) is 1%. We didn't see any QE degradation after two days of high bunch charge operation. The vacuum at the gun exit is at 10<sup>-9</sup> scale during gun operation.
- After extracting the cathode out of the gun, the QE is still at 3.8%.



Peak current 1.65A, Gradient 10 MV/m  
Schottky effect

Courtesy Erdong Weng, more details on Tuesday, WG1 right after lunch session.

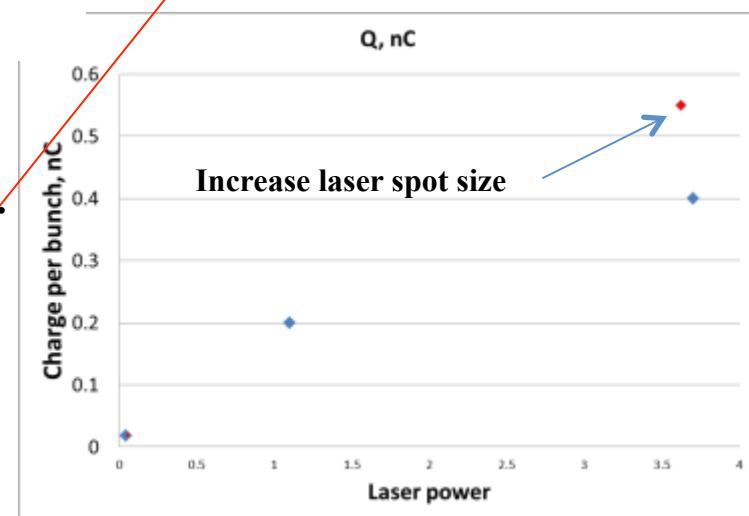
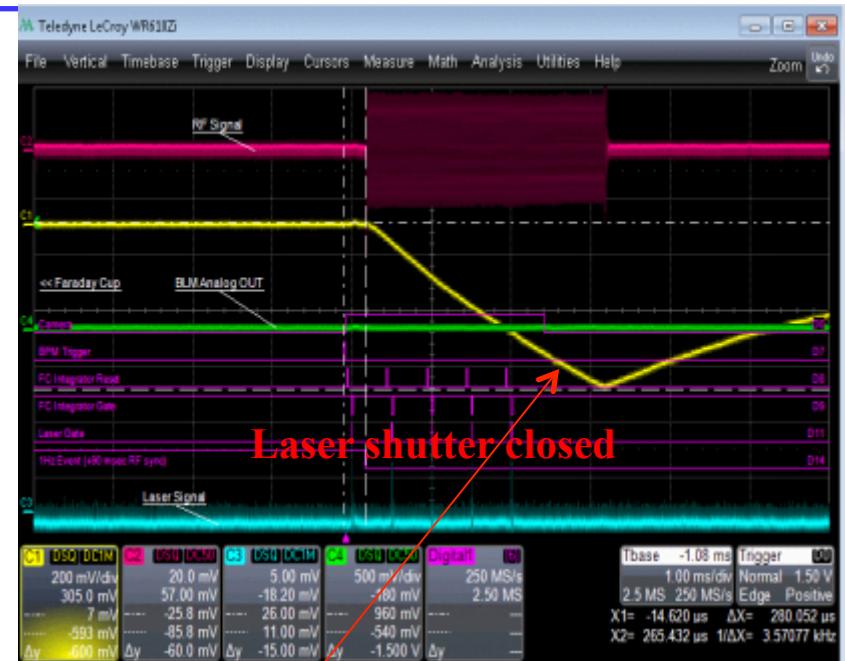
# Beam commissioning with new cathode June 2015.



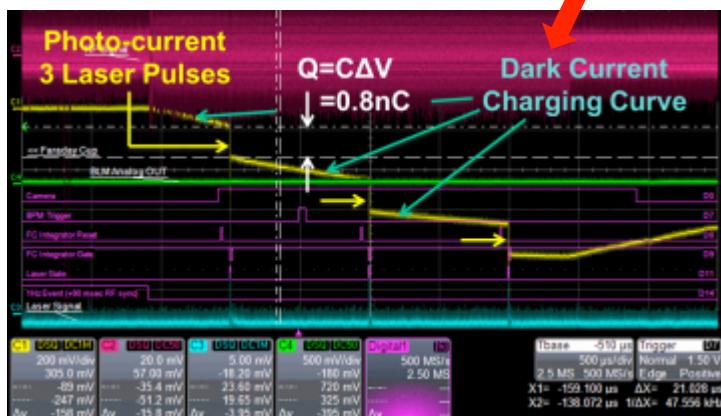
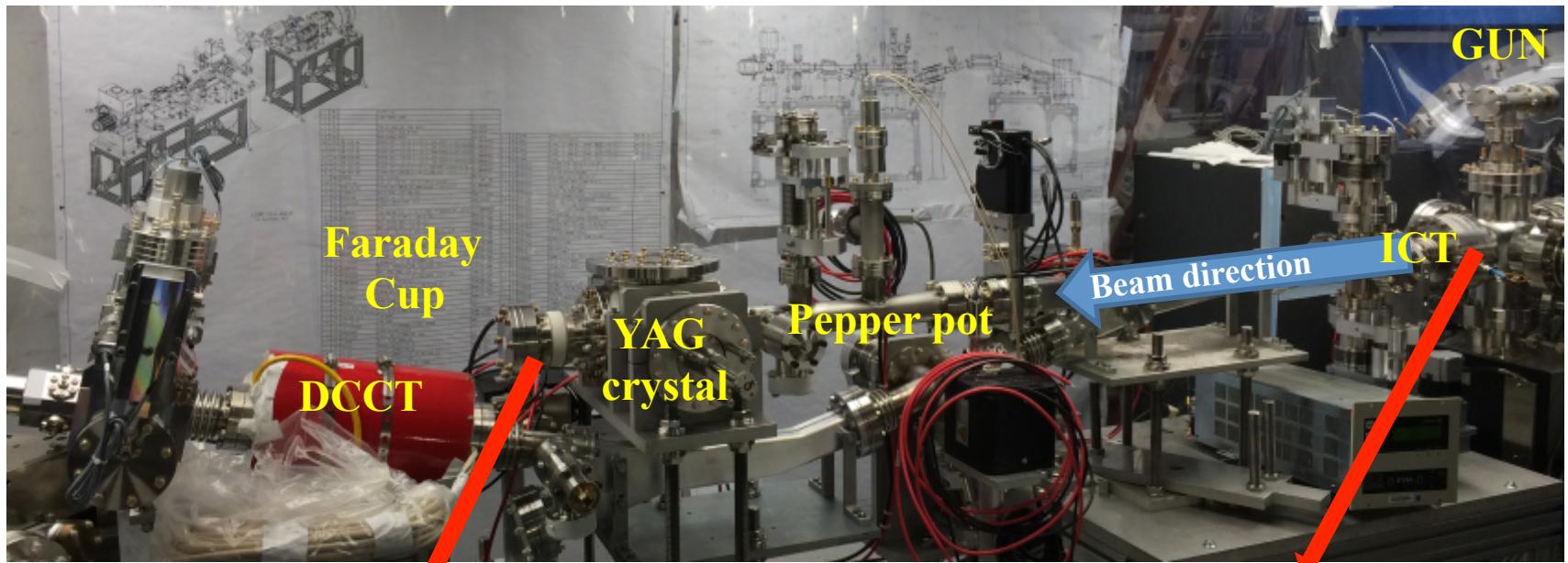
Faraday cup signal (1MΩ termination)

## Set up

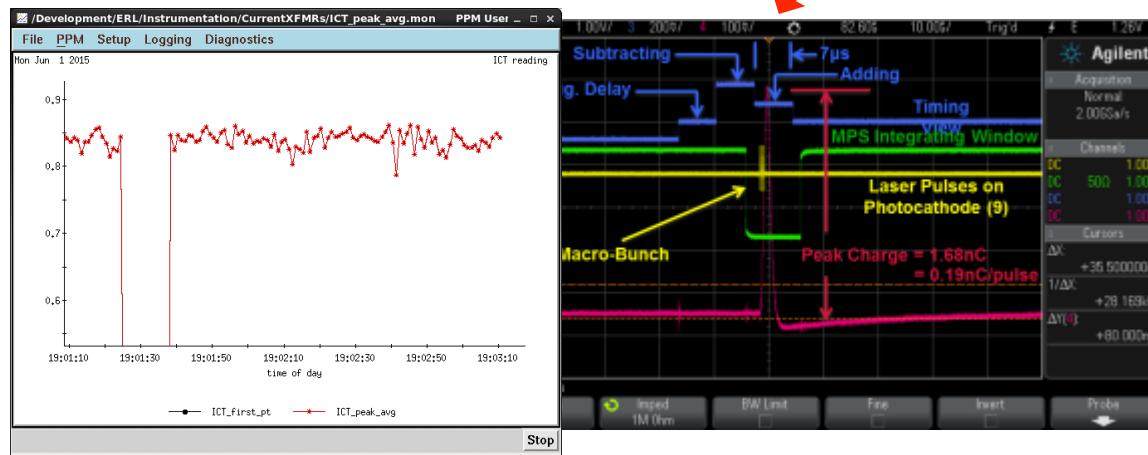
- Laser: 0.044 mWatt, green,  
Pulse structure 5 μsec, every 500 μsec; 9.38MHz rep rate.
- RF: 0.65 MV, 3 ms;
- eBeam:  
charge per macro bunch 0.8nC/47bunches=17pC  
dark current 4 μA;
- Photocathode cold QE=1e-2 very Good!!!



# Beam charge measurements



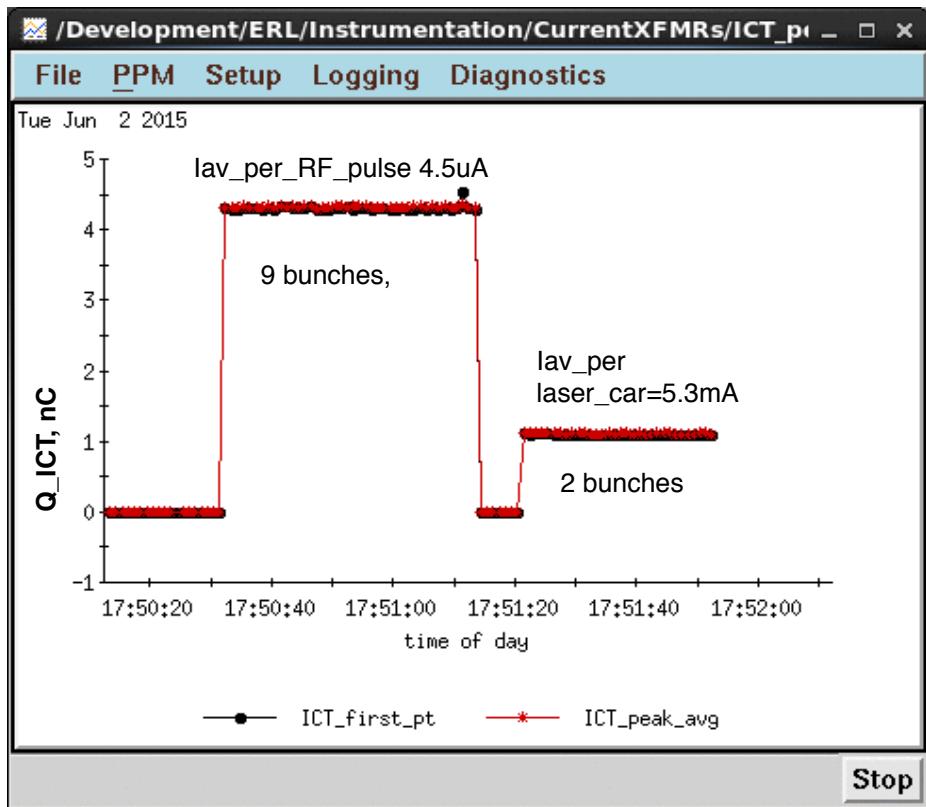
Faraday cup



Integrating Current Transformer

FC vs ICT. ICT signal 0.85 nC , FC signal 0.8 nC

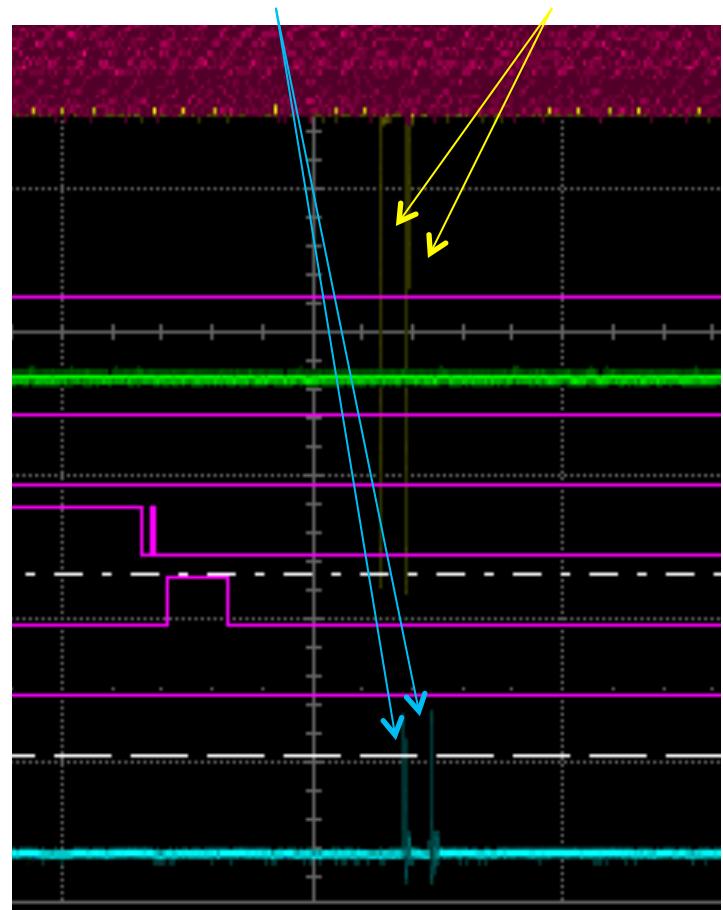
# Charge per bunch 0.55nC



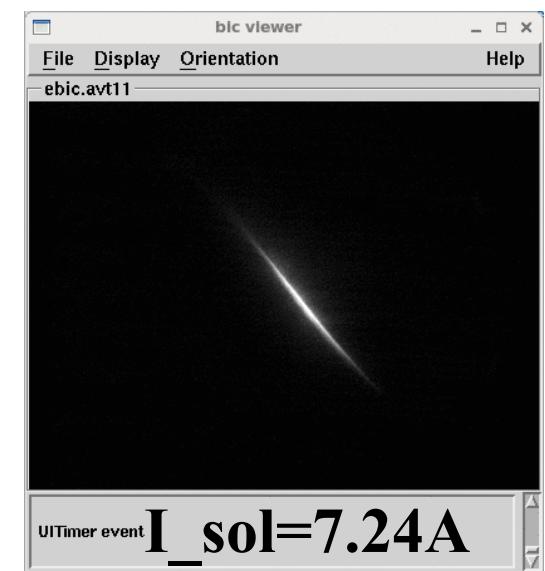
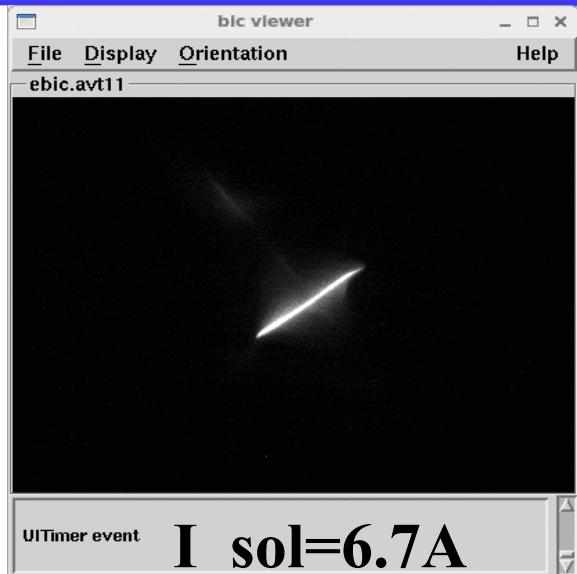
ICT signal for 9 pulses (4.4 nC > 4nC ICT saturation)

Reduce back to 2 laser pulses (1.1 nC) 0.55nC Each.

2 laser pulses, 2 e-bunches at FC  
0.39uJ each observed

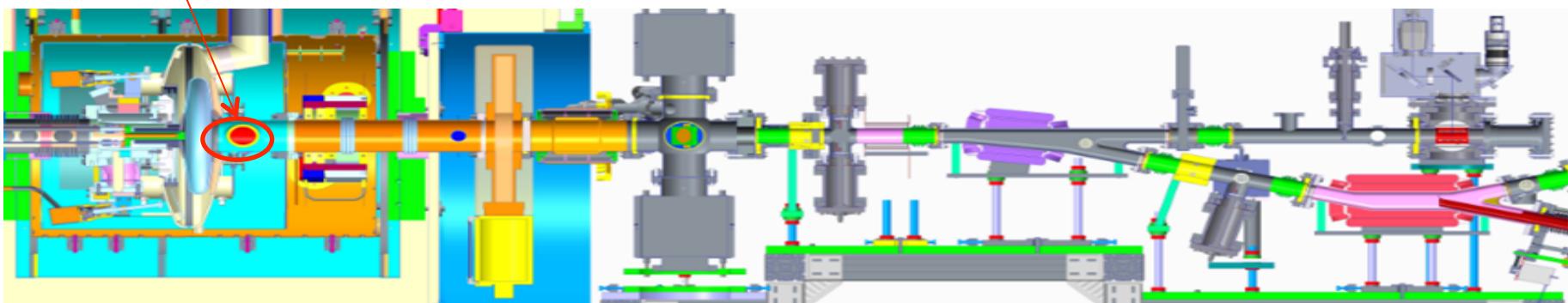


# Solenoid scan to measure gun astigmatism (preliminary)



2 FPCs

Axial symmetric system or not?

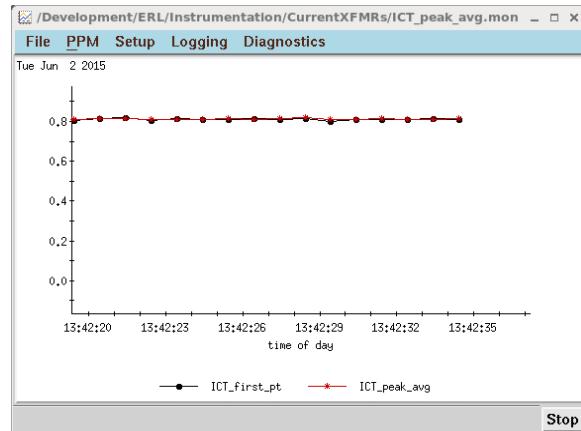
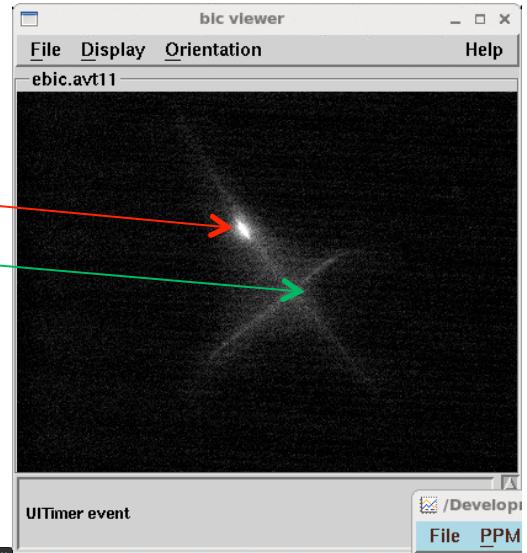
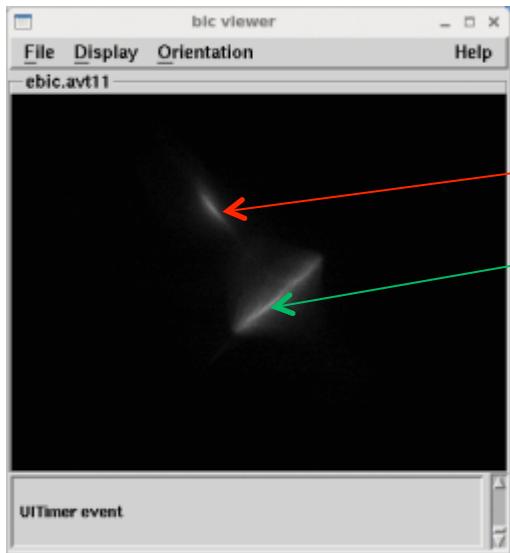


Preliminary result focus length 64cm!!!. Required more investigation.

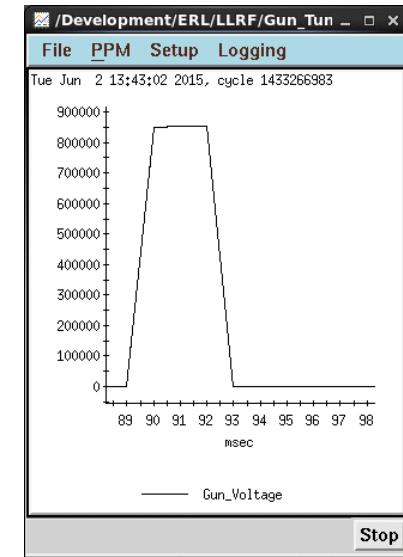
Courtesy V. Litvinenko

# Dark current and photocurrent

Dark current and  
photocurrent respond  
similar to solenoid and  
corrector change.

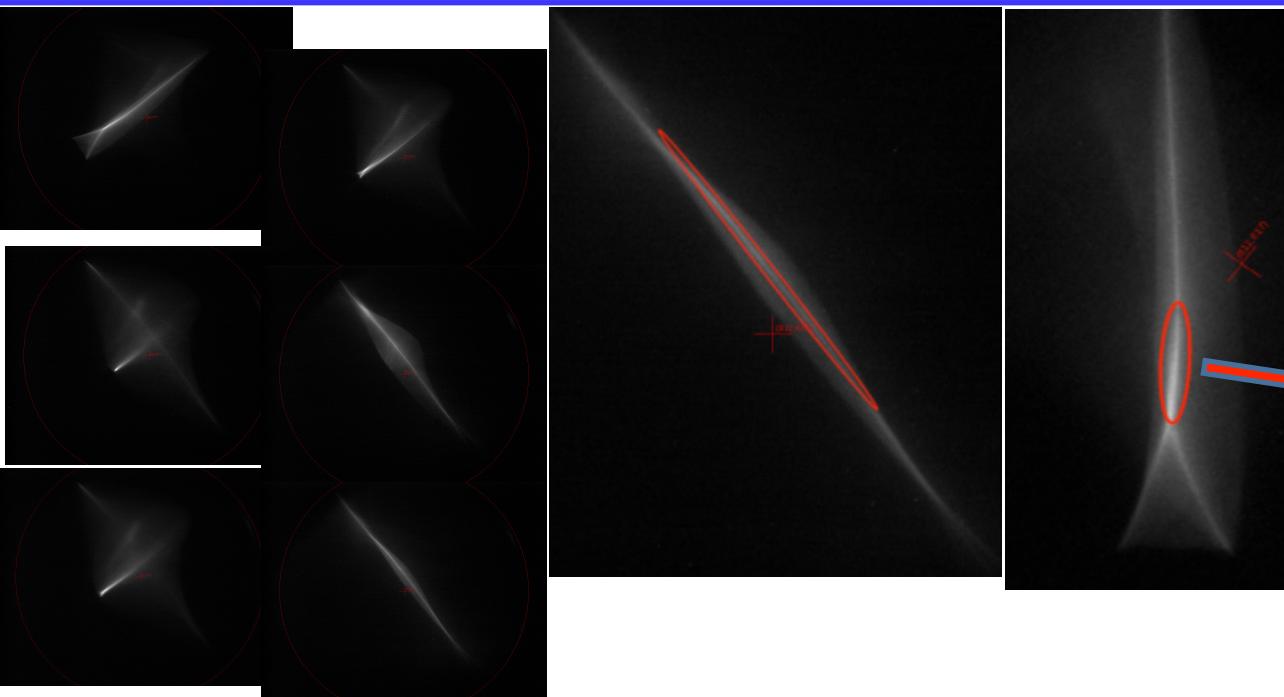


Photocurrent 0.8 nC /2 laser pulses



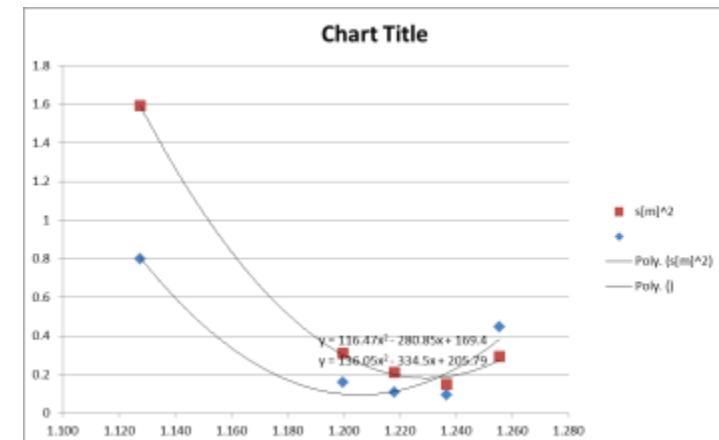
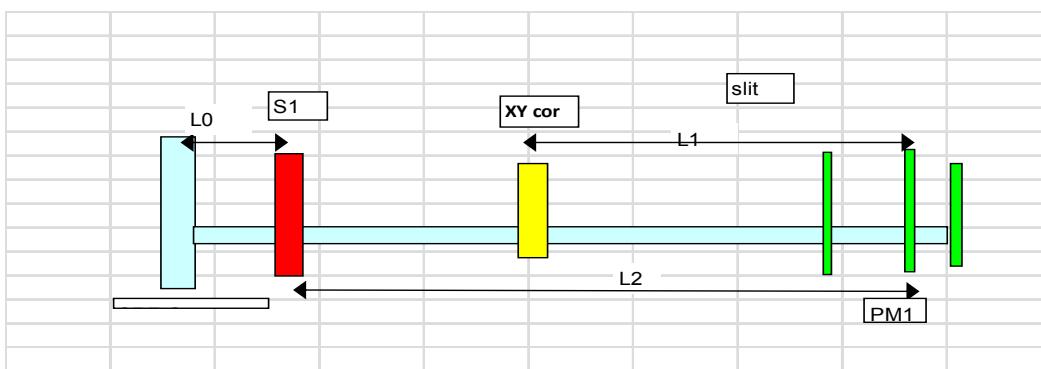
Dark current @ .85MV 4uA per 3 msec

# Try Solenoid scan, Q=133pC (preliminary)



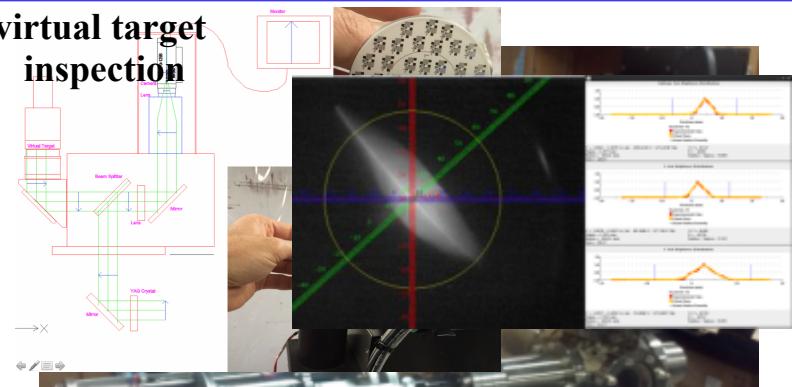
Very Preliminary results

Normalized emittance	
full beam	12 mm mrad
20% core	0.25 mm mrad



# Beam instrumentation tested with beam

virtual target  
inspection

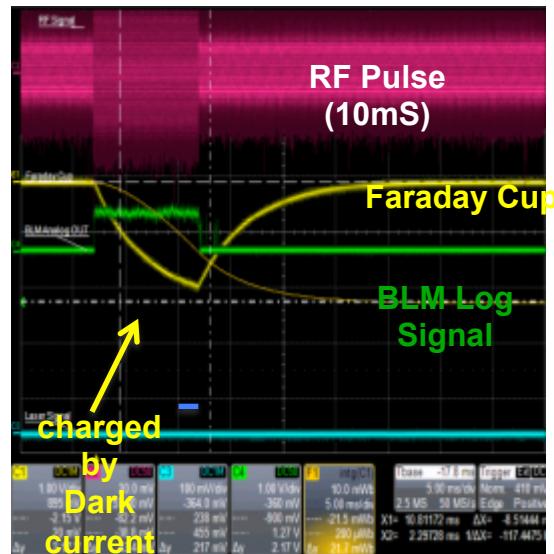


Beam Profile monitor

Slits



PMT Detectors

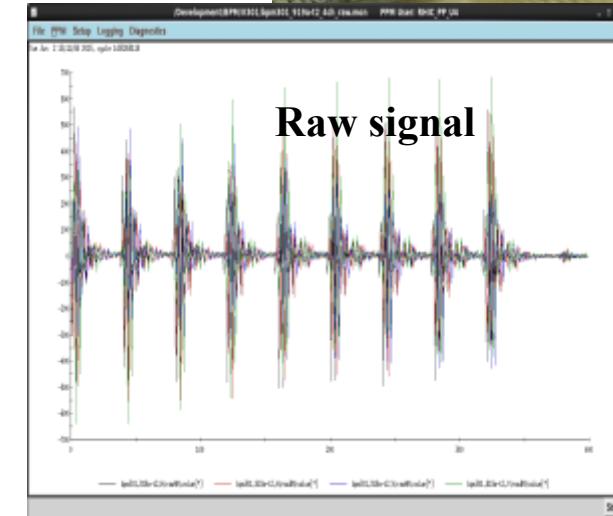


D. Kayran, ERL2015

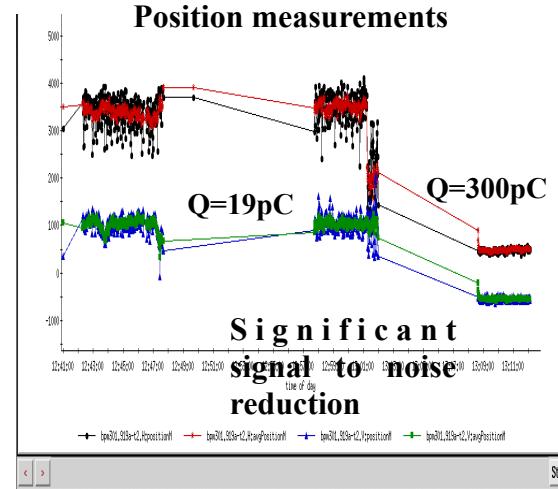
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Faraday Cup



Position measurements



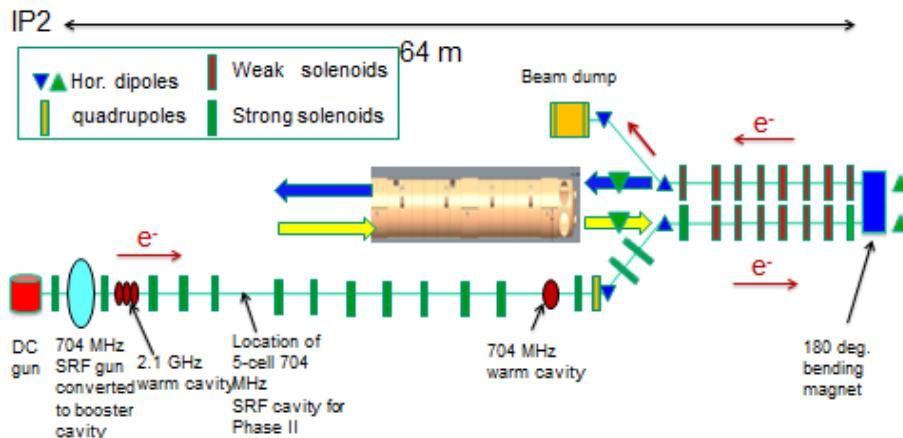
# BNL ERL: designed parameters, progress

Parameter	Units	High current	High Charge	Measured
Energy max/inject	MeV	20/2.5	20/3.0	?/1.4 <b>Only gun measured</b>
Charge per bunch	nC	0.5	5	0.55
Average Current	mA	350	50	0.001
RMS Bunch length	psec	8-20	30	8.5; 22 <b>Very preliminary</b>
Normalized emittance	$10^{-6}$ m	1.4	5	20% core: 0.25 Full rms: 12
RMS energy spread, dE/E	$10^{-3}$	3.5	10	?
Repetition rate	MHz	704	9.4	<b>Faraday Cup</b>
Beam dump power	kW	875	150	1e-3

# ERL for LeRHIC

LEReC Phase-I: Gun-to-dump mode

electron beam energies 1.6-2MeV



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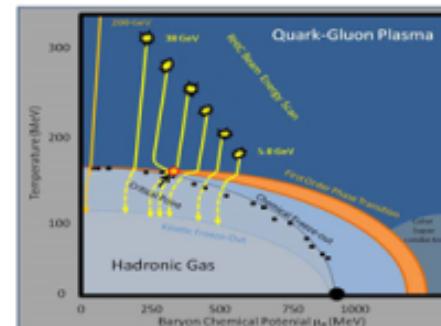
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Courtesy Jörg Kewisch,  
More details on Wednesday,  
WG5 after lunch session

Low Energy RHIC Physics program:  
Search for QCD phase transition Critical Point

Center of mass energies:  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5, 6.3, 7.7, 8.8, 11.5, 14.6, 19.6, 27$  GeV



- Energies in black have been measured in the 2010 & 2011 & 2014 RHIC runs

- Because of large emittance and IBS at low energies the integrated luminosity is small
- We need to cool the ions to improve luminosity



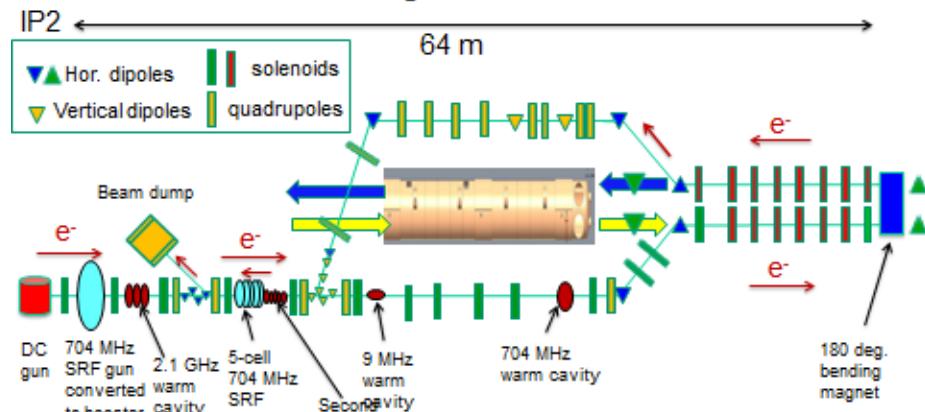
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LEReC Phase-II: ERL mode

electron beam energies 2-5MeV mode



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# Summary

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- An ampere class 20 MeV superconducting Energy Recovery Linac (ERL) is presently under commissioning at Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) for testing of concepts relevant for high-energy electron cooling and electron-ion colliders.
- Commissioning with beam started on July, 2014
- The first photo current from ERL SRF gun has been observed in Nov. 2014 (1 uA per 500msec RF pulse)
- 2 new “multipactor free” Ta tip cathode stalks conditioned for CW March, 2015
- ERL returning loop components installation is completed in May, 2015
- QE with Ta cathode tip: room temperature 4% , in gun 1%. May, 2015.
- First test with new cathode June 1-2, 2015.
- Some beam parameters measured: energy, emittance, maximum bunch charge .55 nC achieved, max average current per 3msec RF pulse 4.5uA .
- Start commissioning beam instrumentation with beam.
- After ERL commissioning in BLDG912 the ERL will be relocated to RHIC IP2 to be used as low energy RHIC electron cooler.

This is just a beginning of a new adventure  
To be continue.....

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