



INTEGRATED PHOTONICS TO THE RESCUE OF FEMTOSECOND BEAM DIAGNOSTICS

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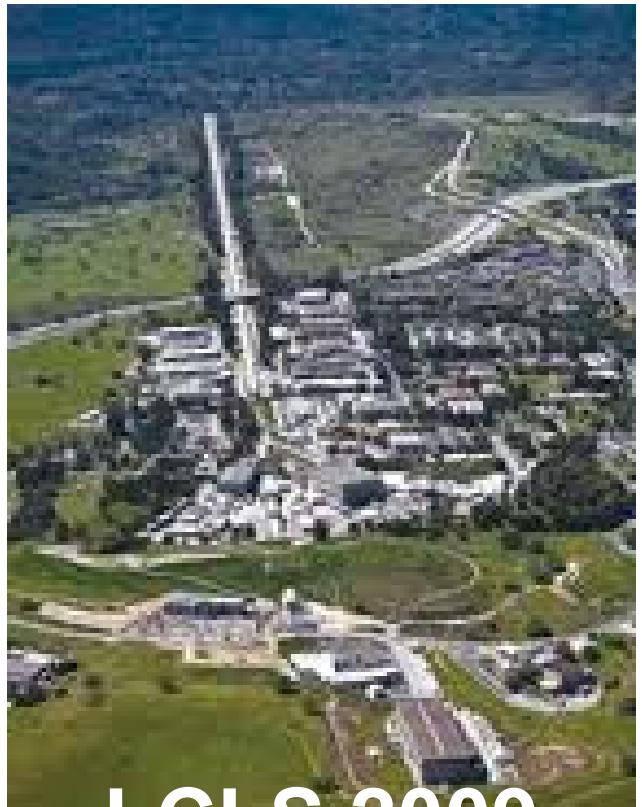
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X-Ray FELs: Combined Accelerator and Laser Facilities



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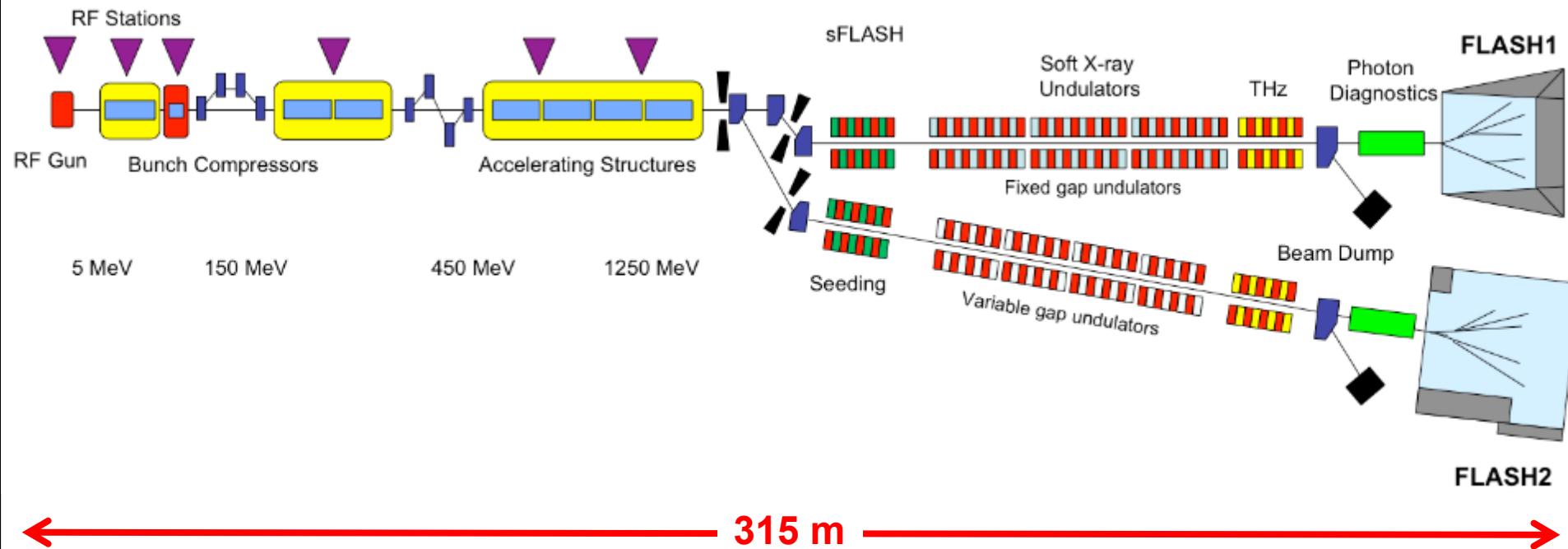
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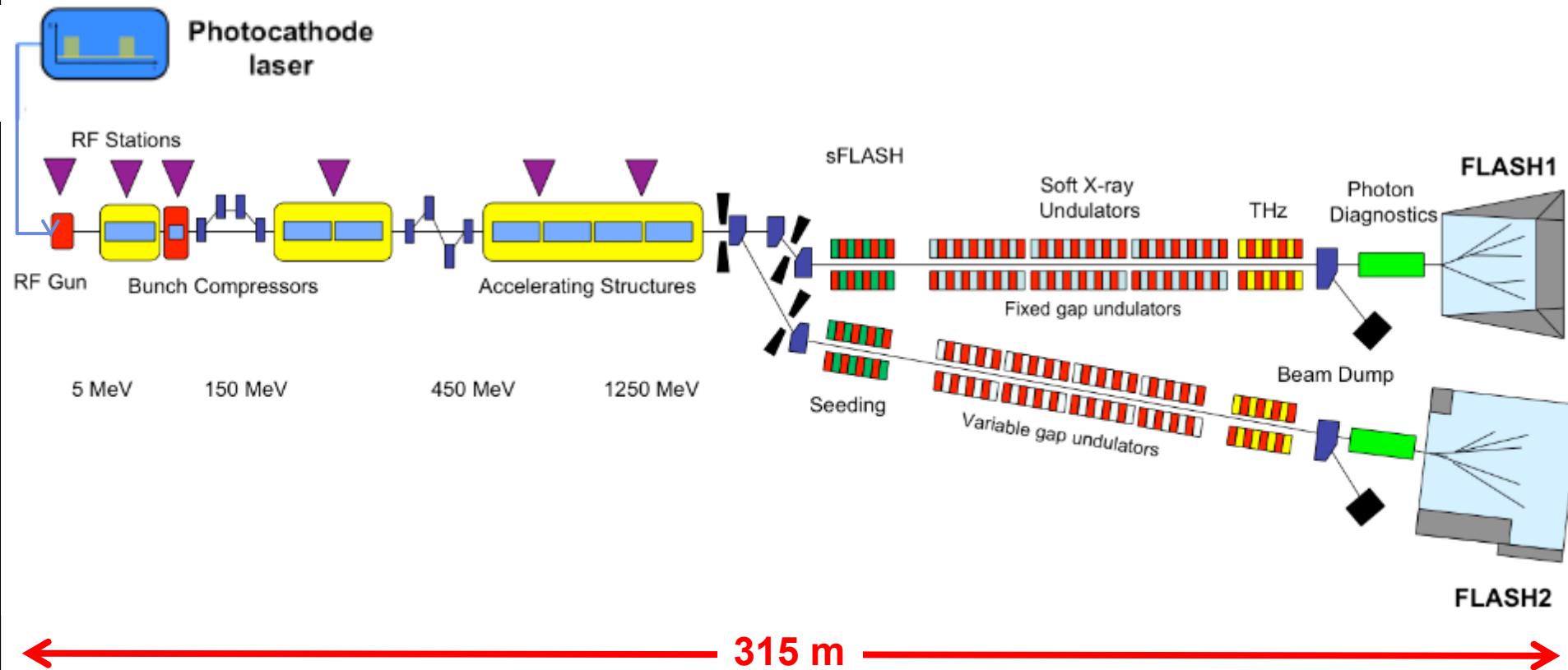


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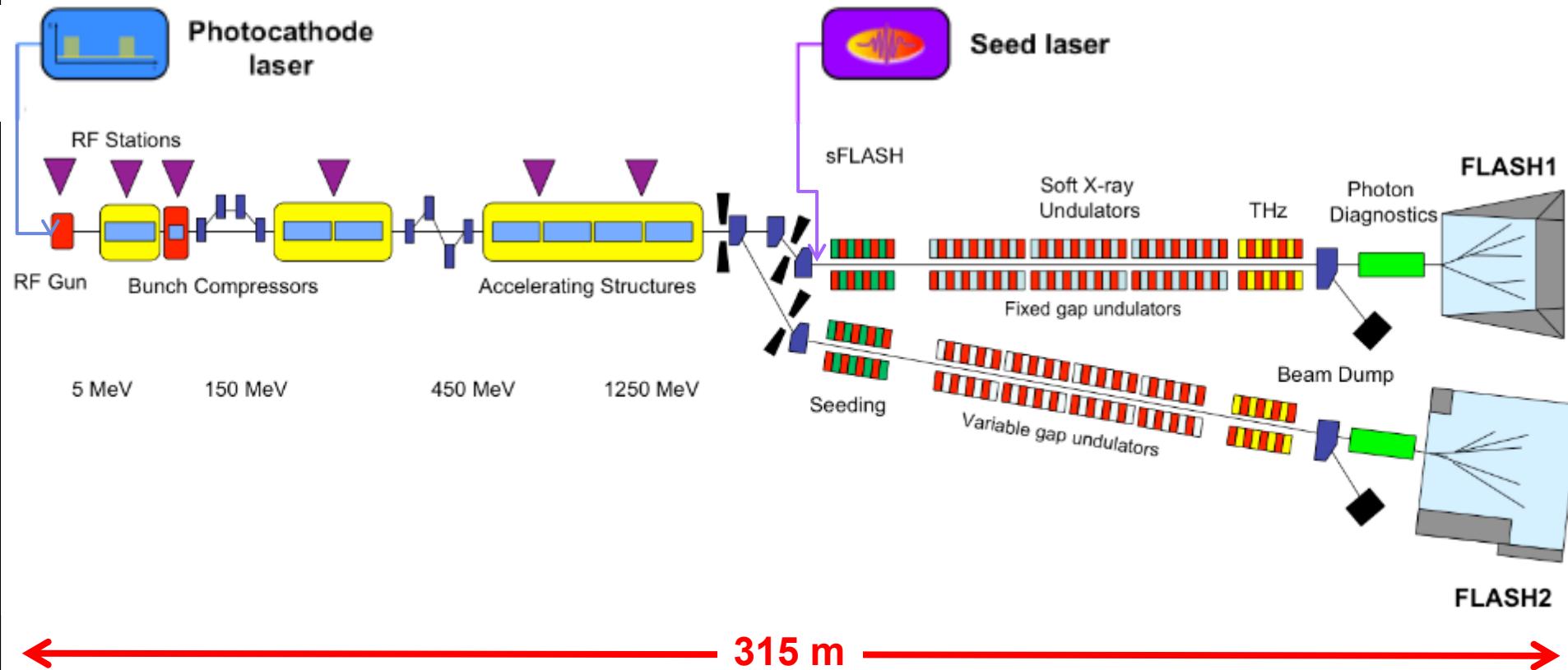


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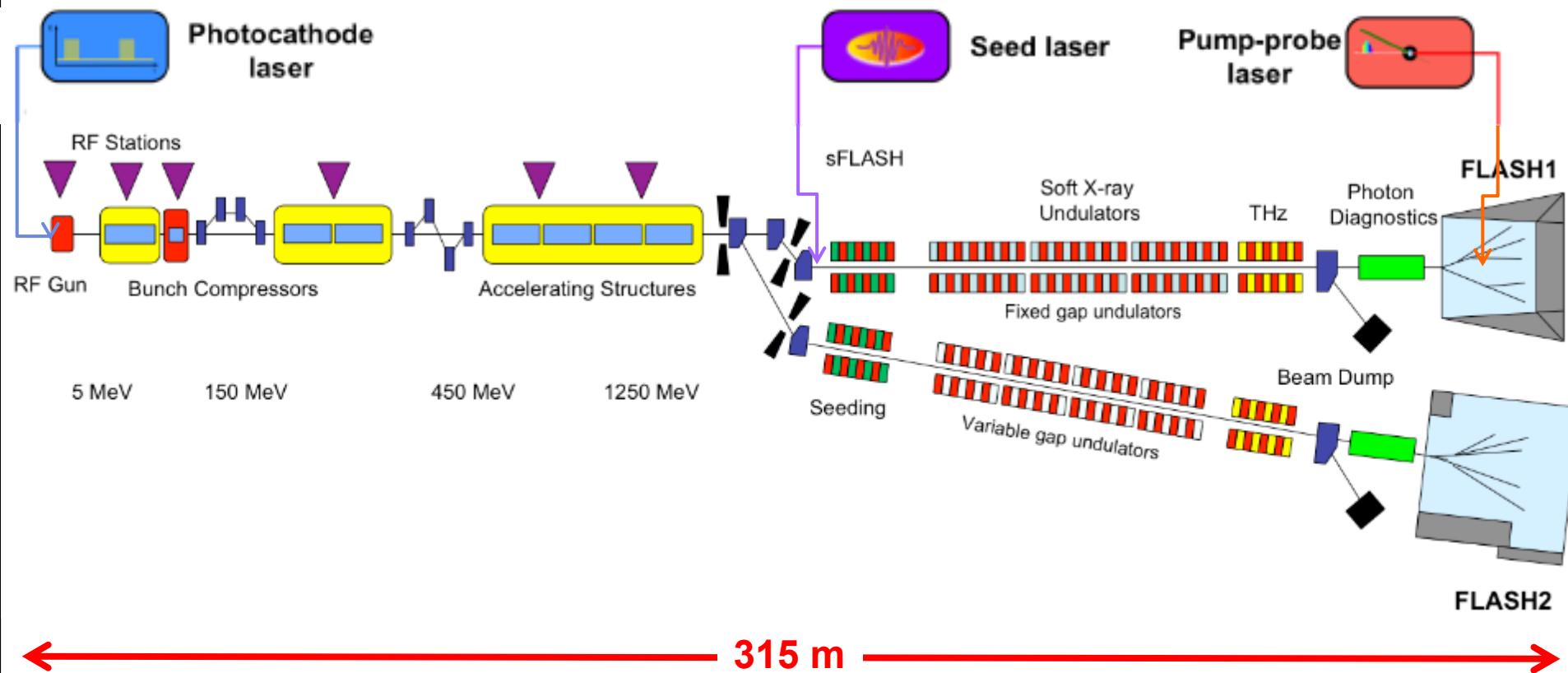
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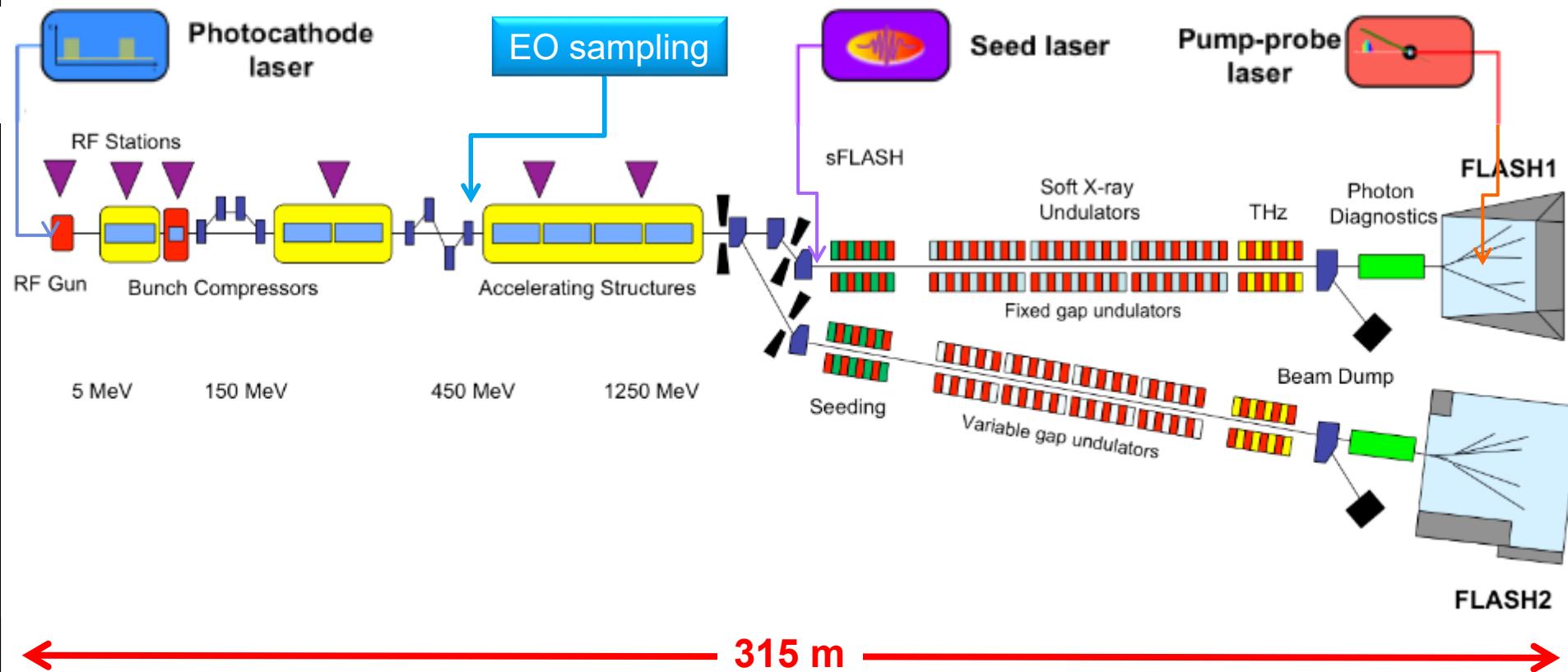
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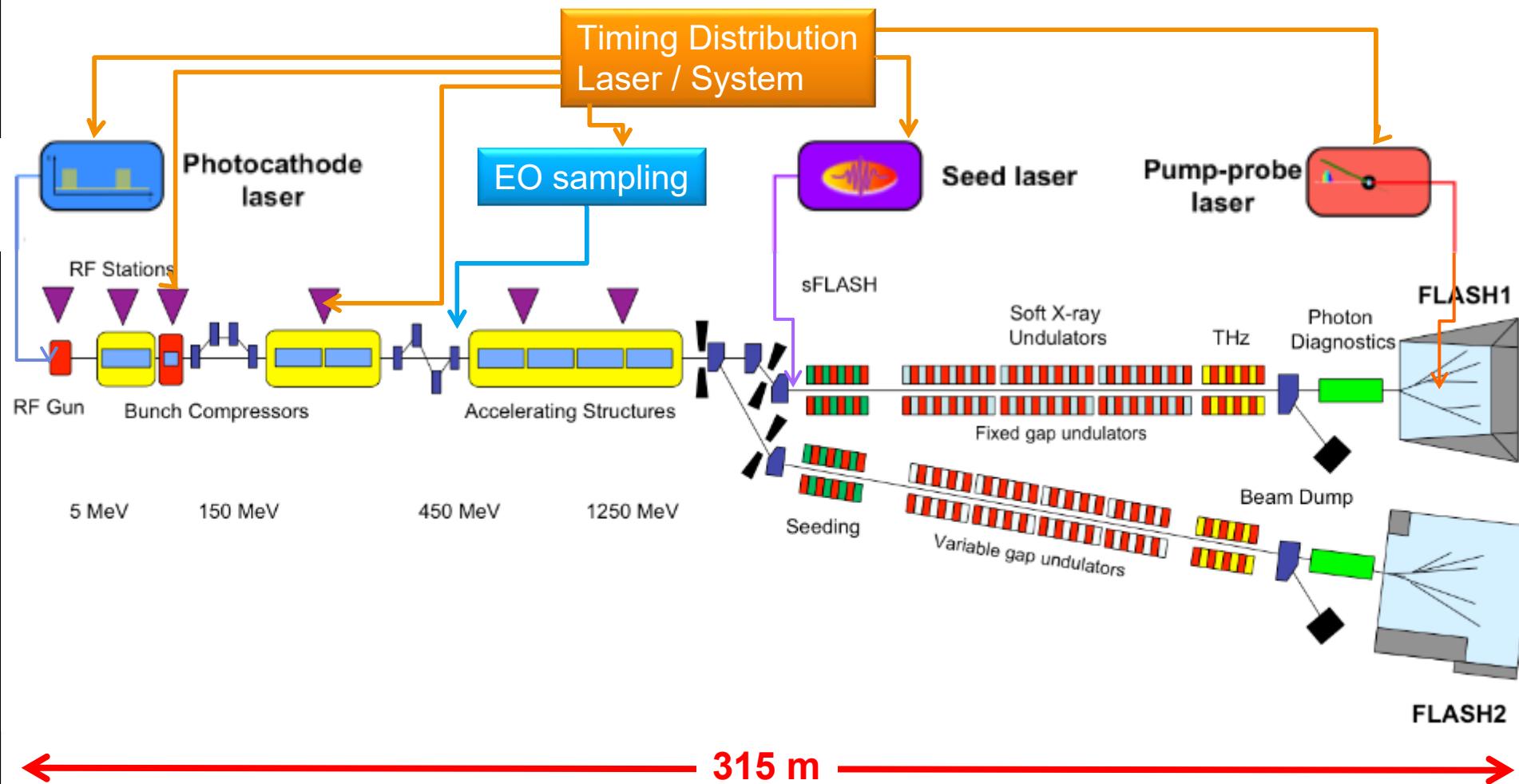
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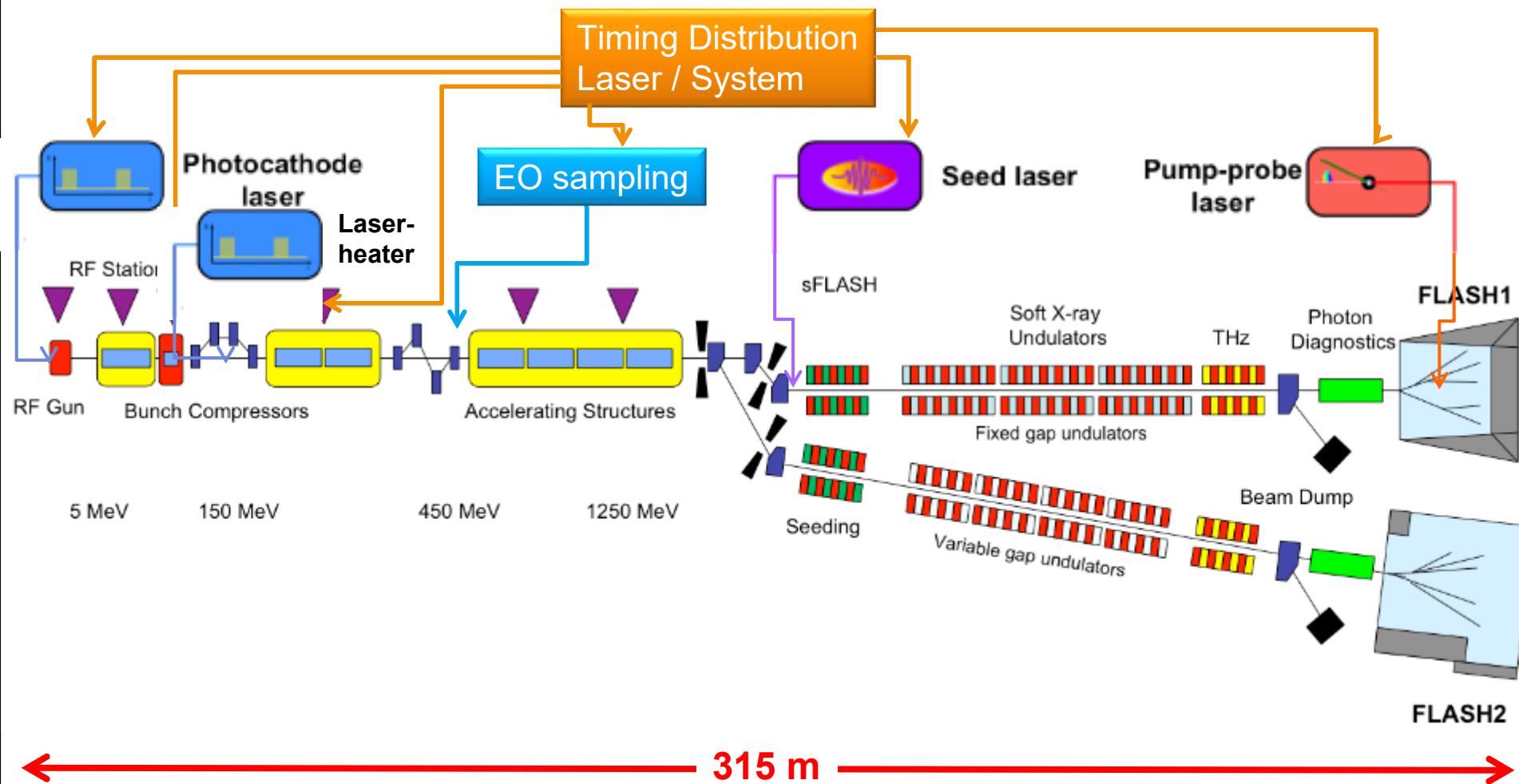
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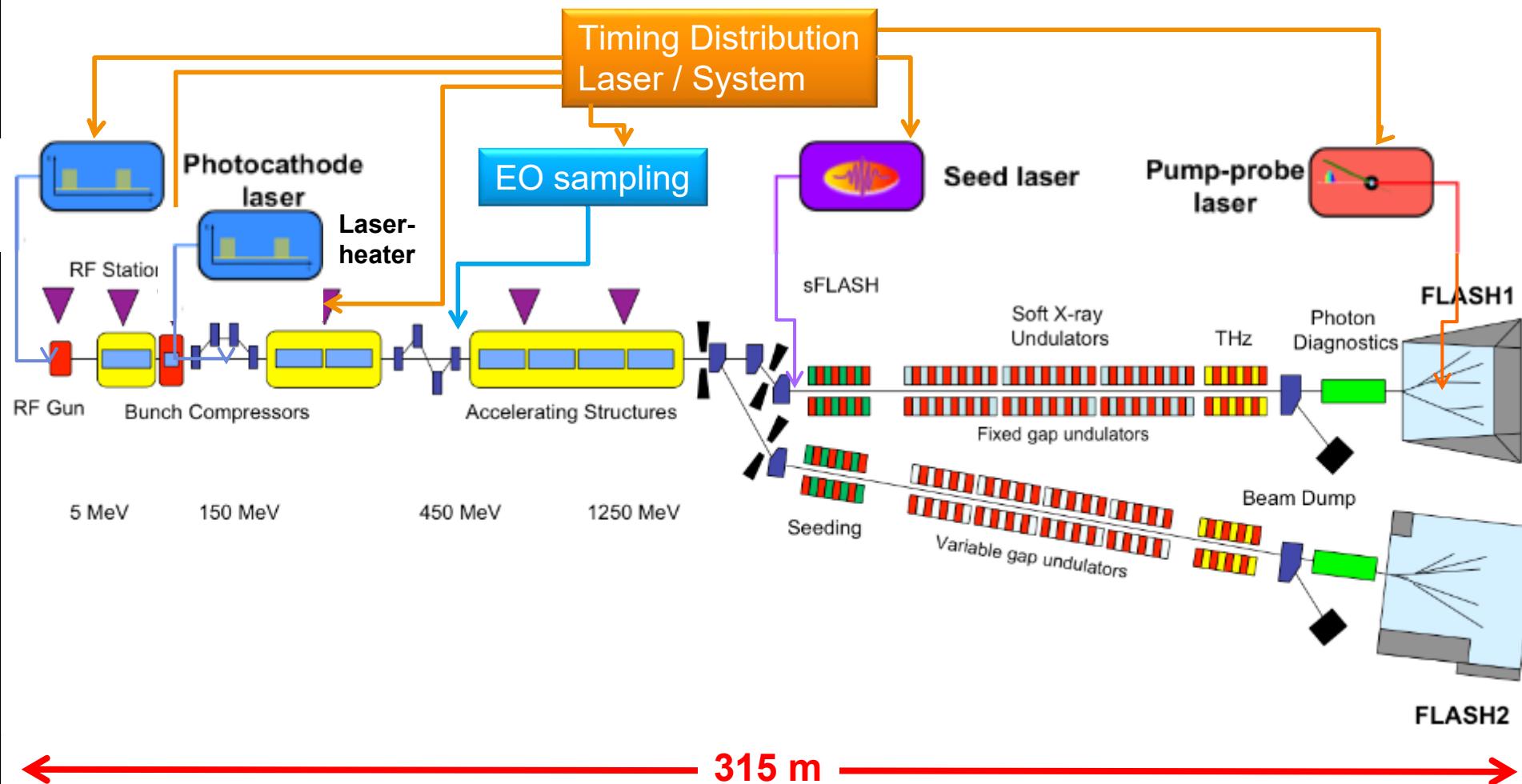


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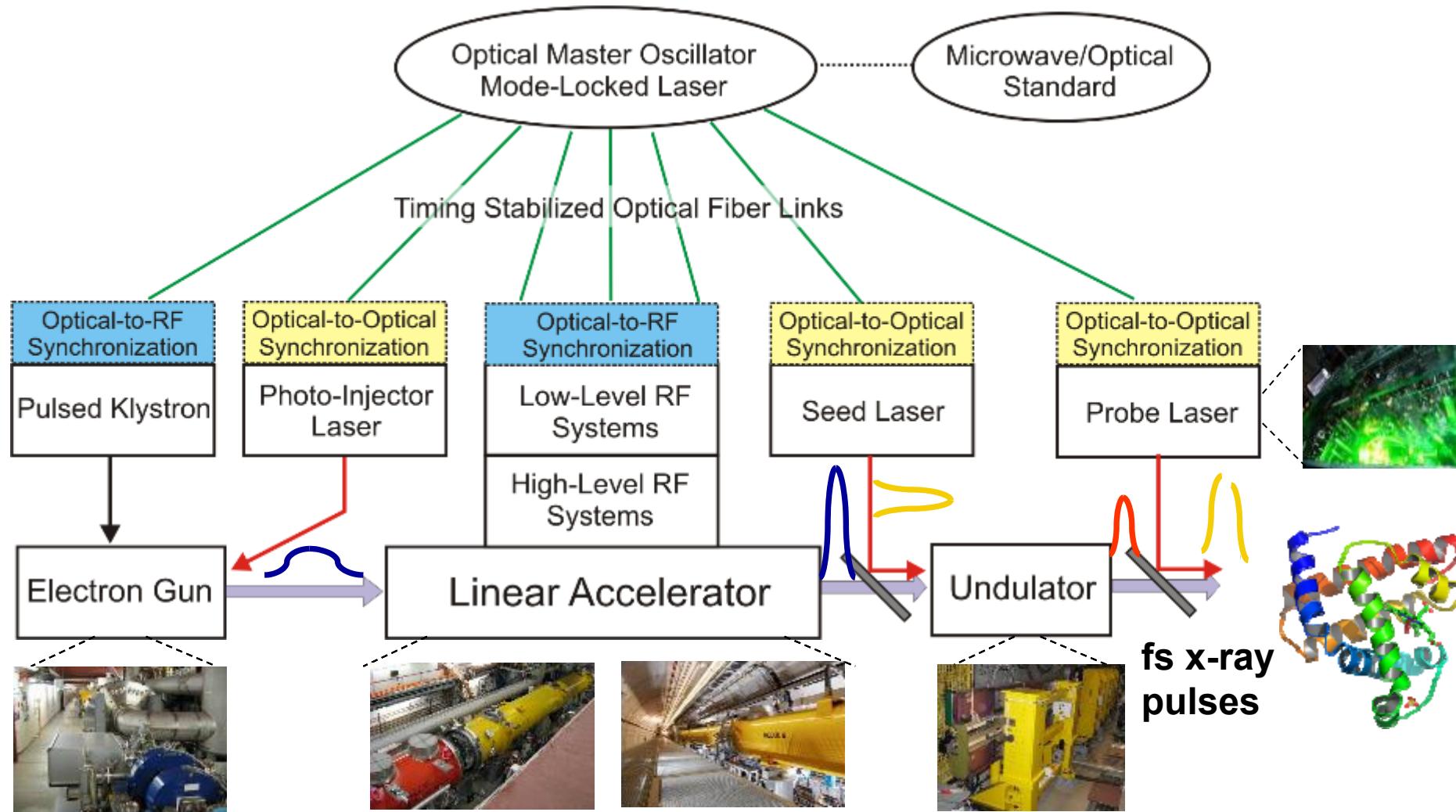


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Ultralow loss femtosecond laser



Pulsed femtosecond timing distribution



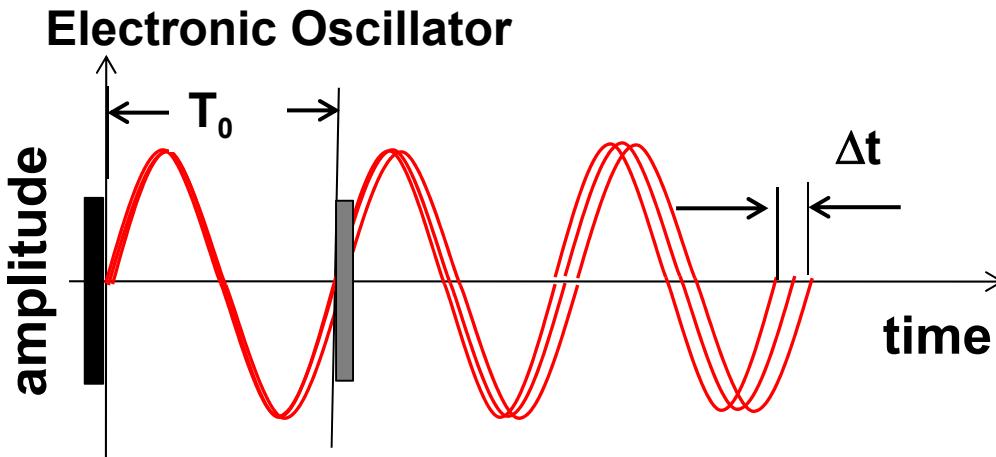
What more can optics, especially integrated optics, do for diagnostics and control?

Outline

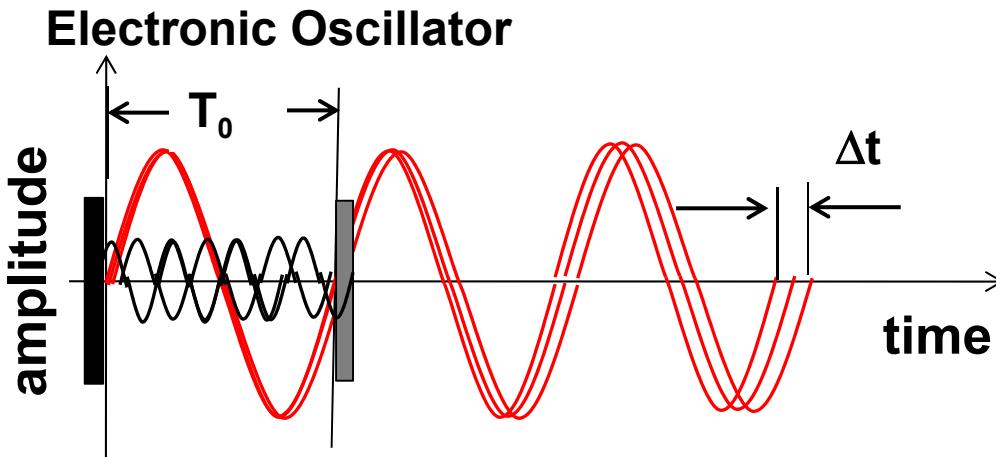
- **Ultralow Noise Properties of Femtosecond Lasers**
 - Inherently lower timing jitter than microwave sources
 - Short pulses, large bandwidth → sharp markers in time
 - (fs, as)
- **Integrated cross-correlators for improved timing**
- **Analog to Digital Conversion (ADCs)**
 - Potential for $> 10^3$ improvement in Bandwidth x Resolution
 - Silicon Photonics a path to broadband p-ADCs
 - Experimental results
 - Narrowband down-conversion for RF-phase measurement
- **MIT Silicon Photonics Platform (Prof. M. Watts)**
 - Modulators, Detectors, Filters, cw- and mode-locked Lasers



Timing Jitter of Femtosecond Lasers

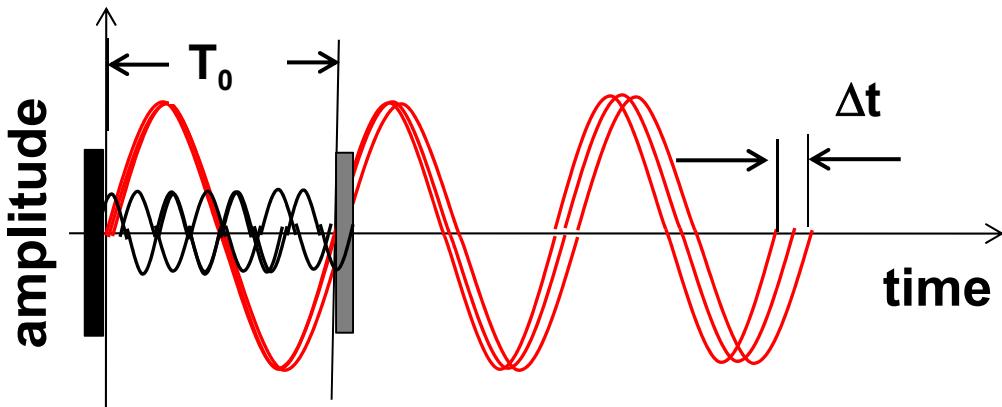


Timing Jitter of Femtosecond Lasers



Timing Jitter of Femtosecond Lasers

Electronic Oscillator



Dissipation-Fluctuation
Theorem

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \Delta t_{RF}^2 \rangle \approx T_0^2 \cdot \frac{1}{W_{\text{mode}}} \cdot \frac{kT}{\tau_{cav}}$$

↑
period
 $\sim 100\text{ps}$

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cavity
lifetime

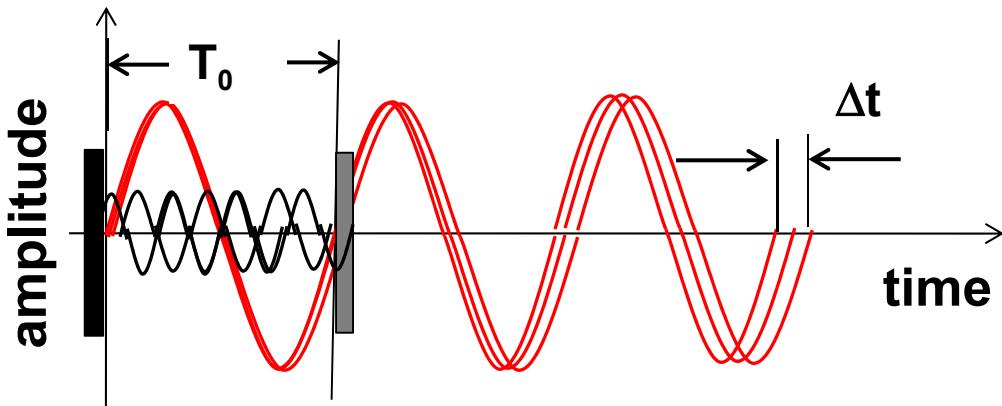
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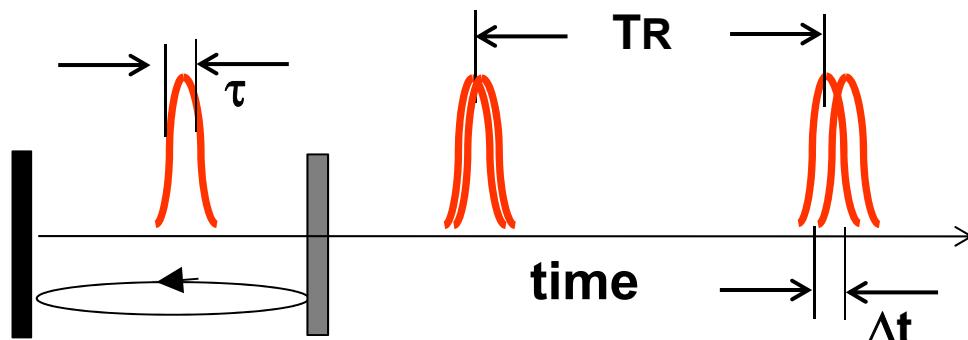
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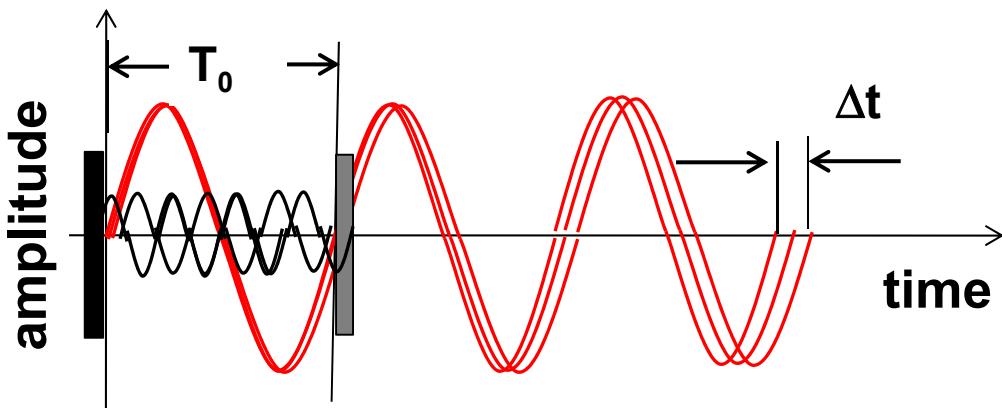


Optical Cavity

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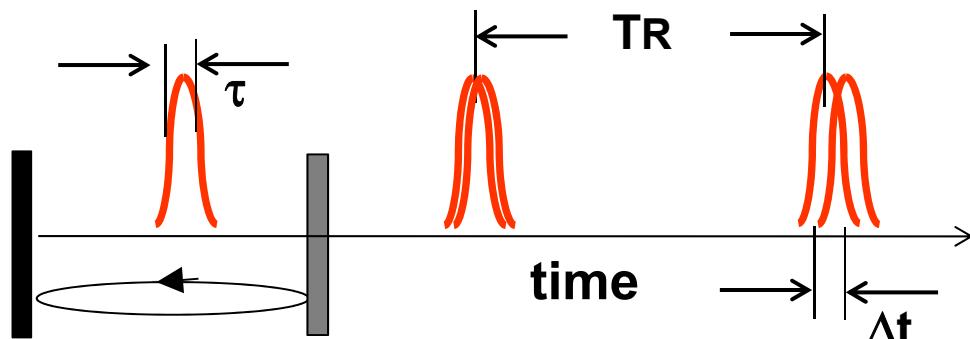
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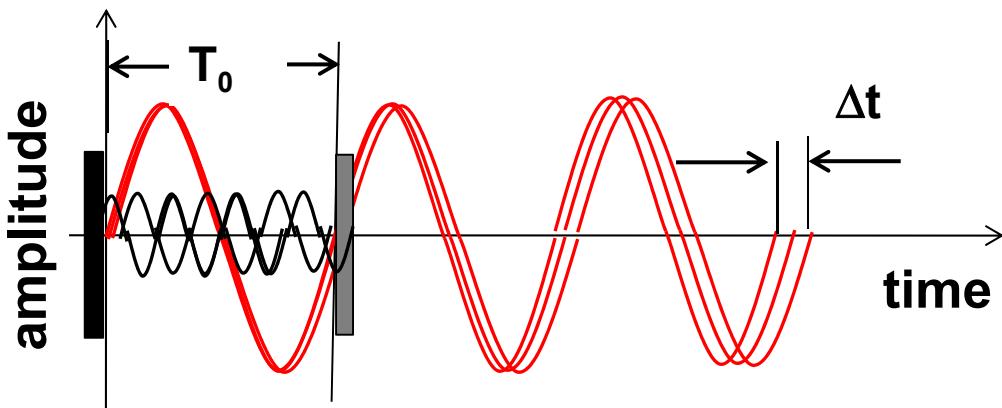
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Timing Jitter of Femtosecond Lasers

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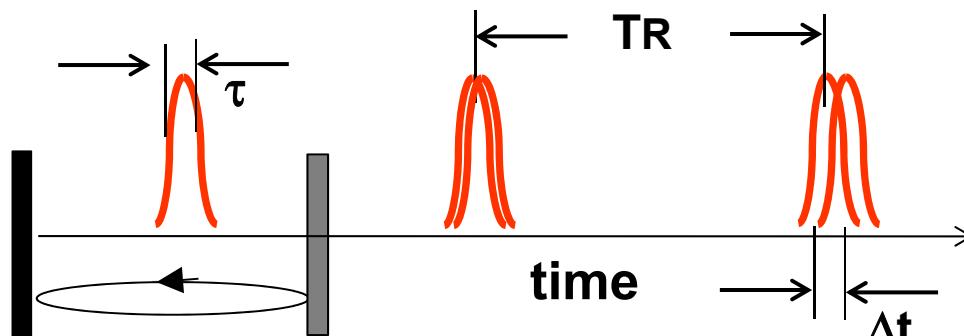


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Femtosecond Laser



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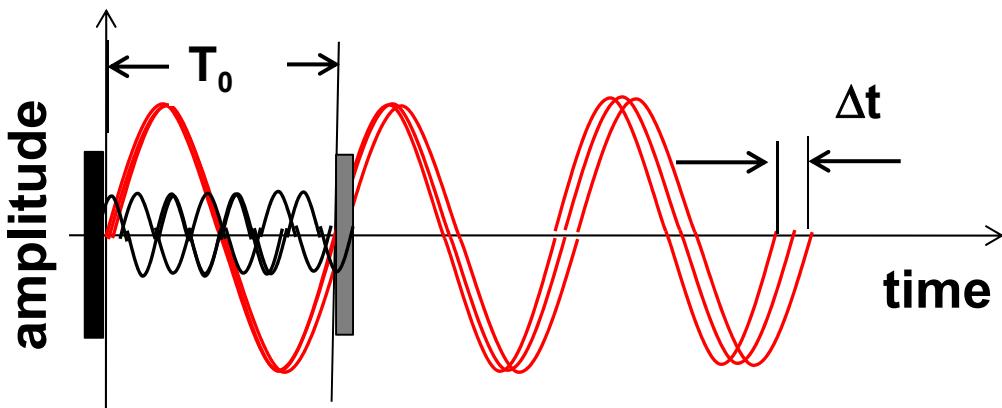
$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \Delta t_{ML}^2 \rangle \approx \tau^2 \cdot \frac{1}{W_{pulse}} \cdot \frac{\hbar\omega_c}{\tau_{cav}}$$

$\hbar\omega_c \sim 50kT$
 $kT = \text{thermal energy}$
 $\hbar\omega_c = \text{photon energy}$

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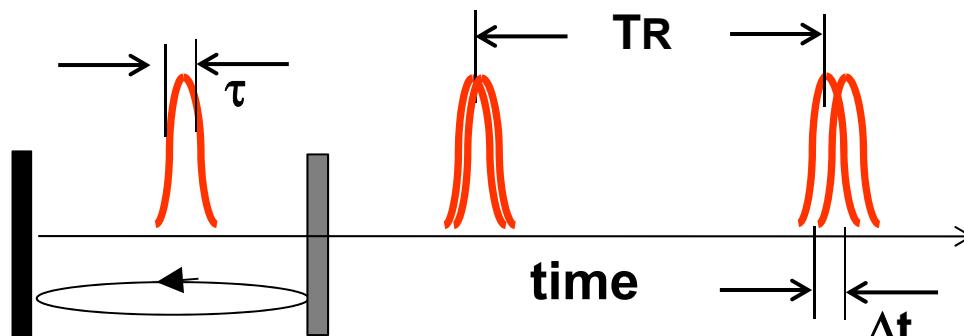


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period
~100ps
cavity lifetime

Femtosecond Laser



10⁻⁶

←
pulse width
~100fs

Optical Cavity

10⁻⁴

→ $\hbar\omega_c \sim 50kT$
kT = thermal energy
 $\hbar\omega_c$ = photon energy

Timing, Synchronization and Sampling

Femtosecond lasers are very low jitter:

- High intracavity pulse energy
- High Q Cavity
- 10 - 100 fs pulses, good time markers (e.g. EOS)
→ sub-femtosecond jitter for $f > 1\text{kHz}$

Balanced optical cross correlation:

- High timing sensitivity (zeptoseconds)
- low drift (only dielectrics involved)
- attosecond laser to laser locks
→ attosecond laser-to-laser locks and fiber links

Balanced optical microwave phase detection:

- sub-femtosecond jitter microwaves



How Do We Measure Low Jitter?

Sensitive Time Delay Measurements

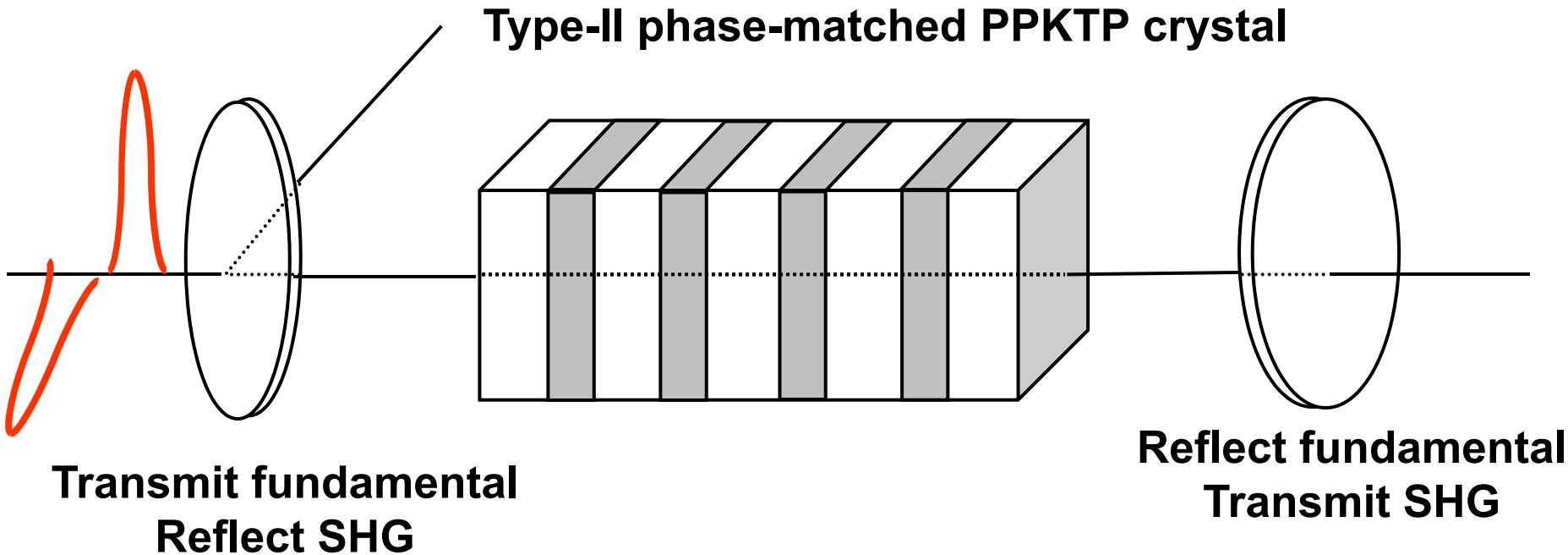
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Balanced Optical Cross Correlation



Single-crystal balanced cross-correlator

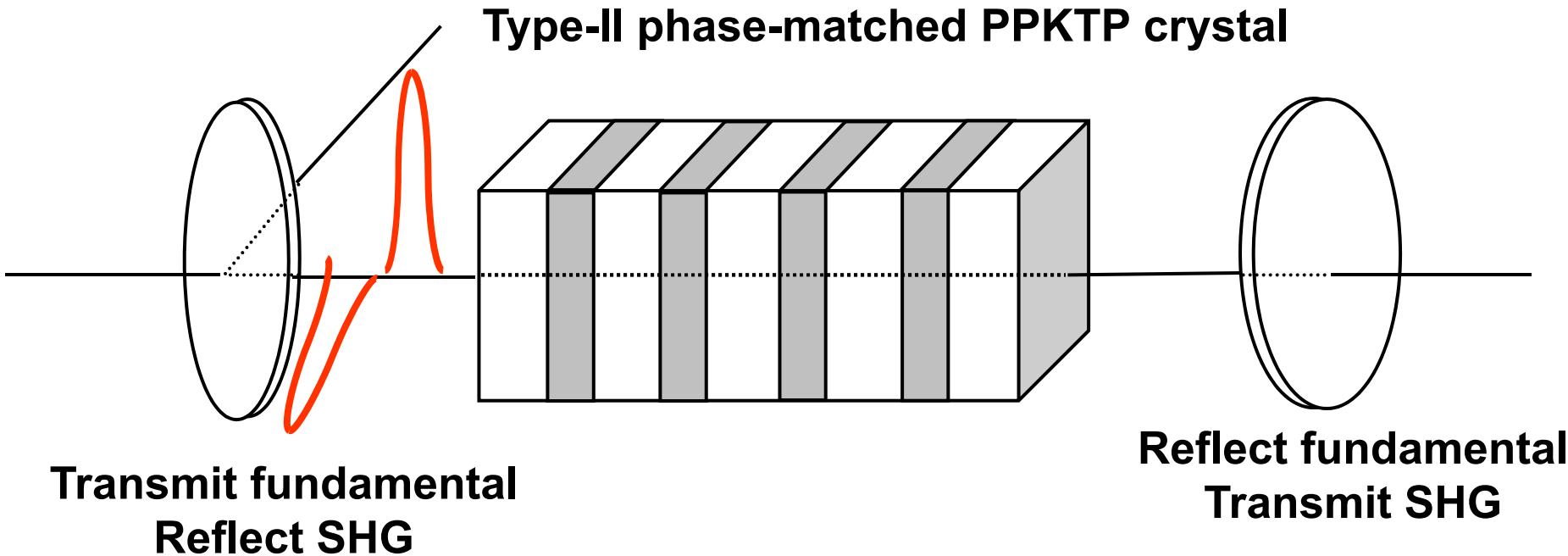
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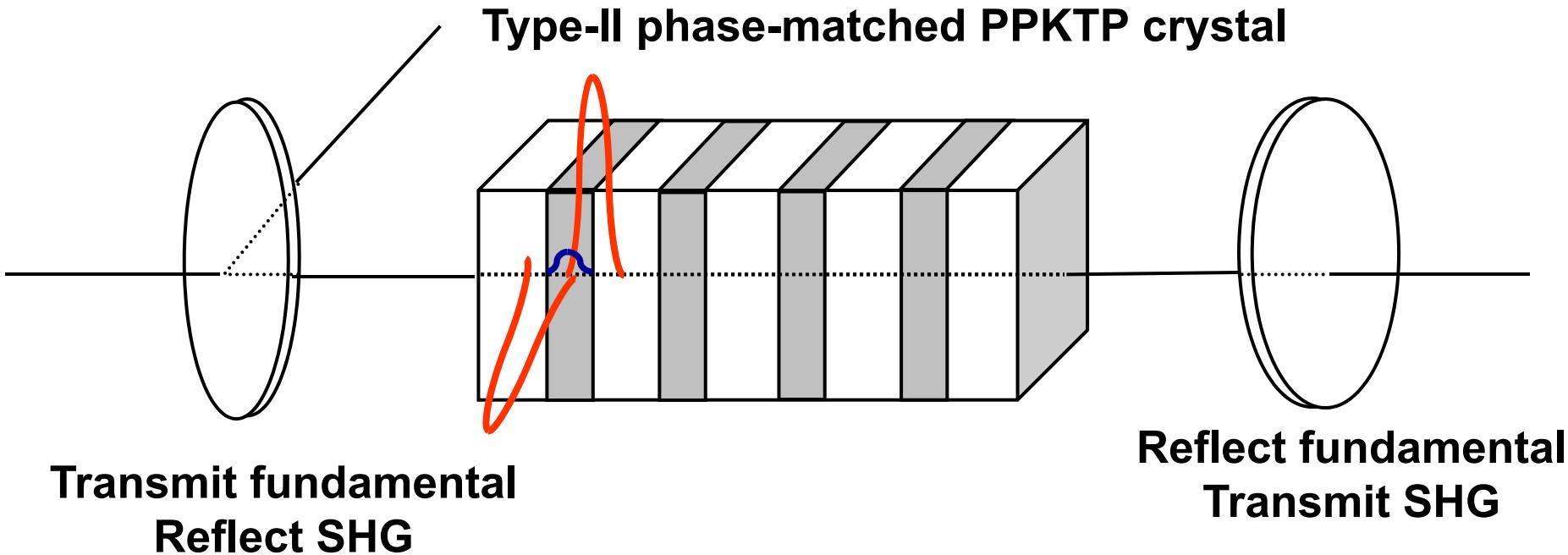
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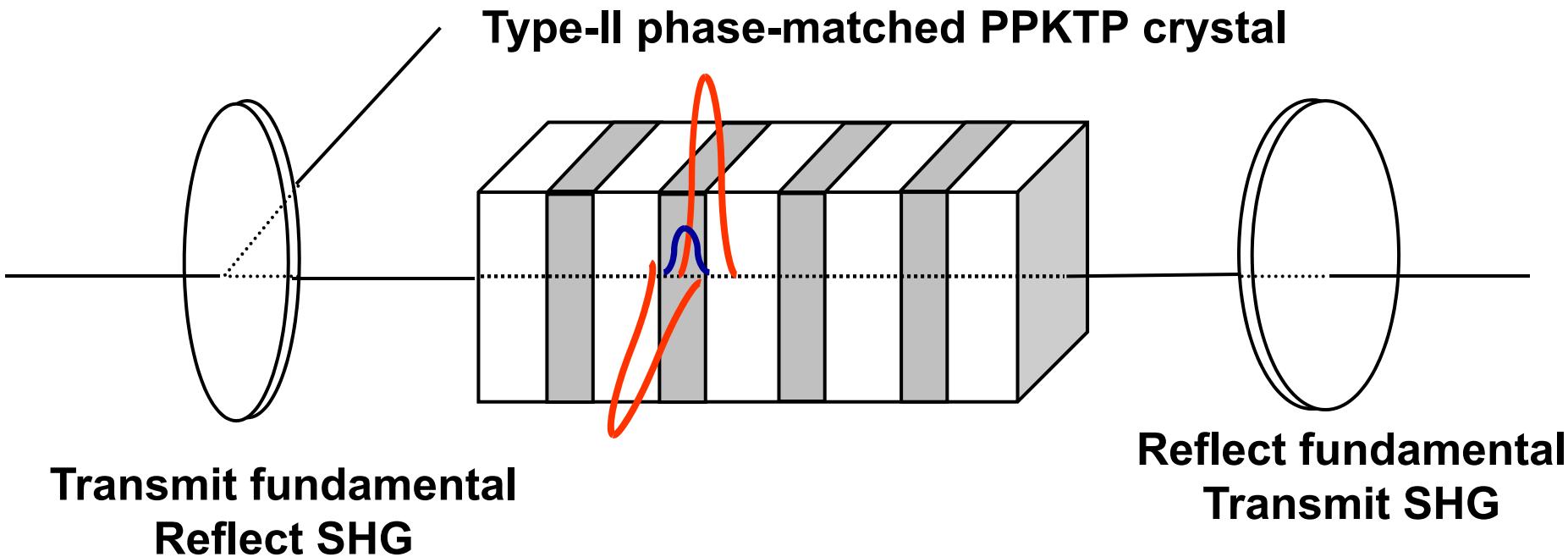
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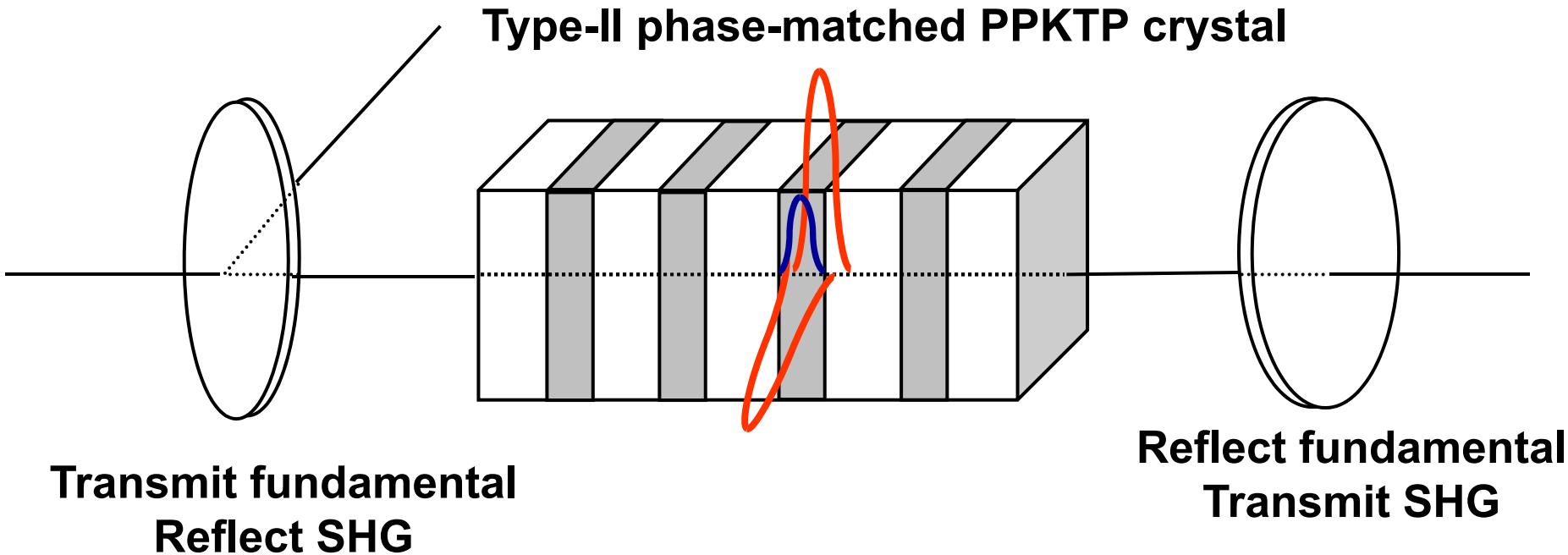
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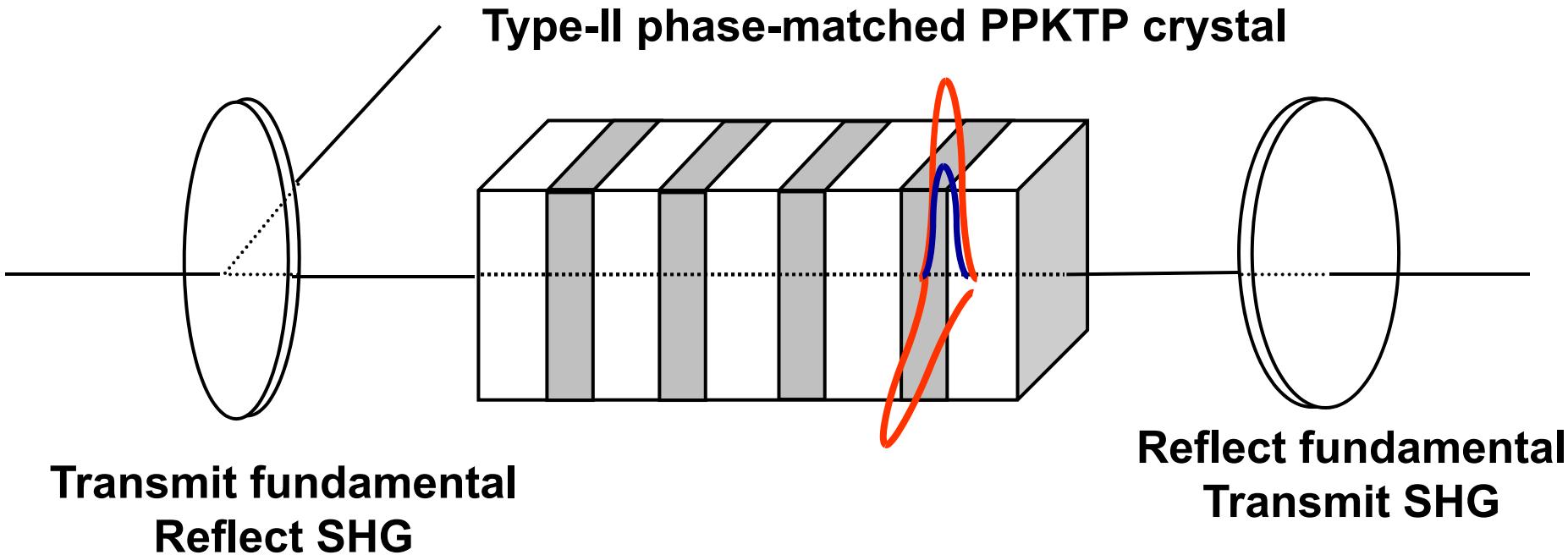
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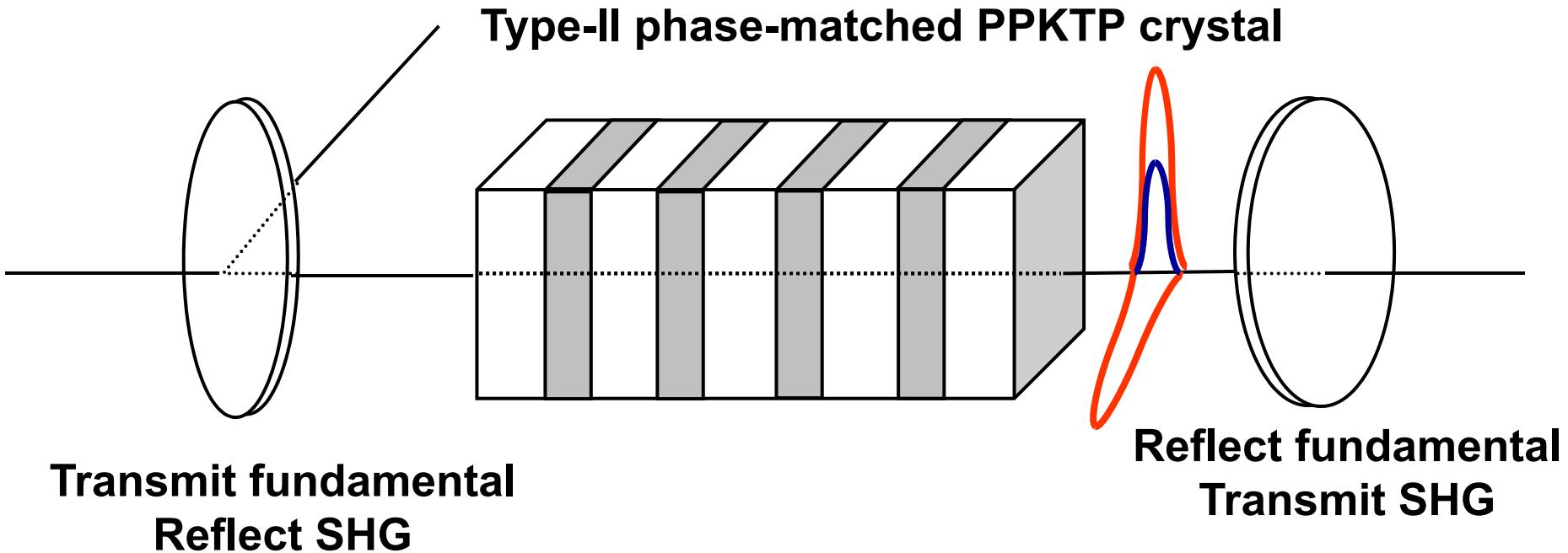
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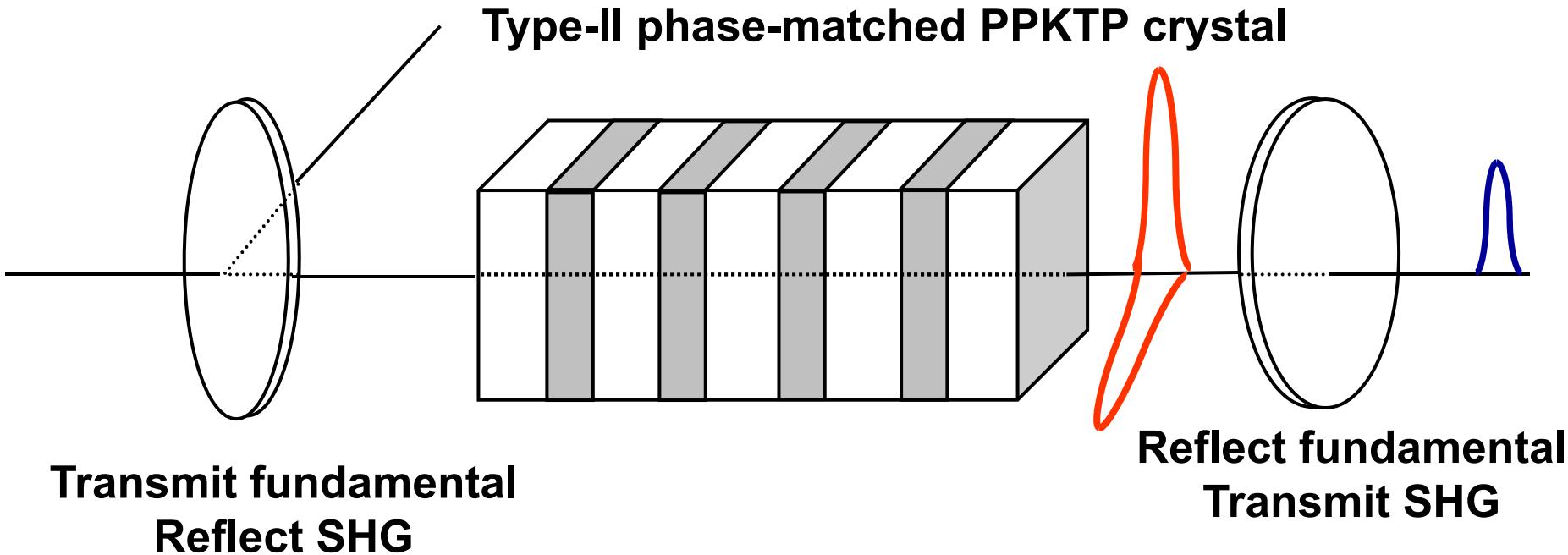
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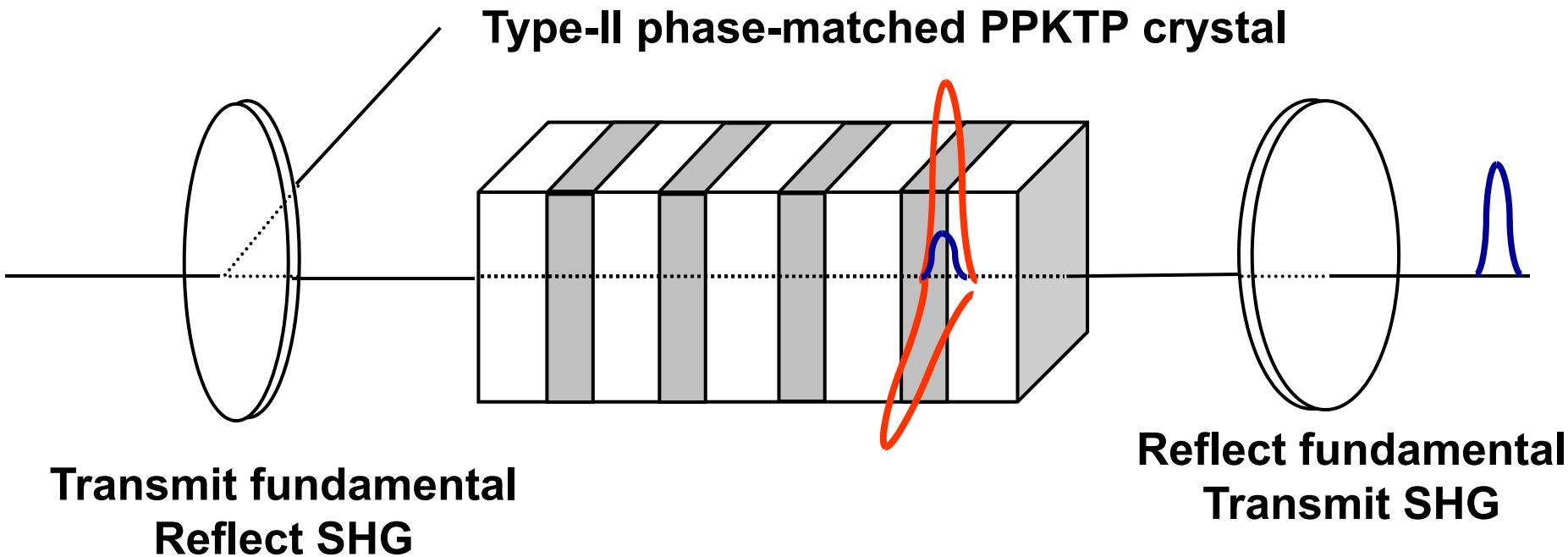
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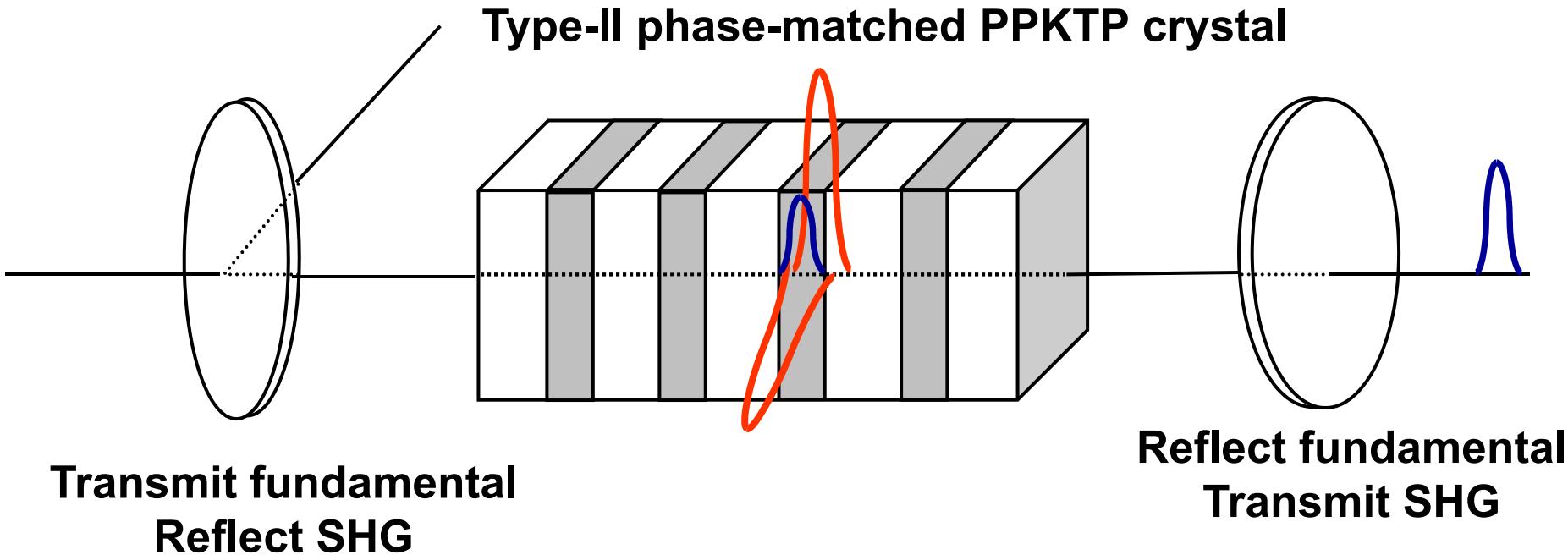
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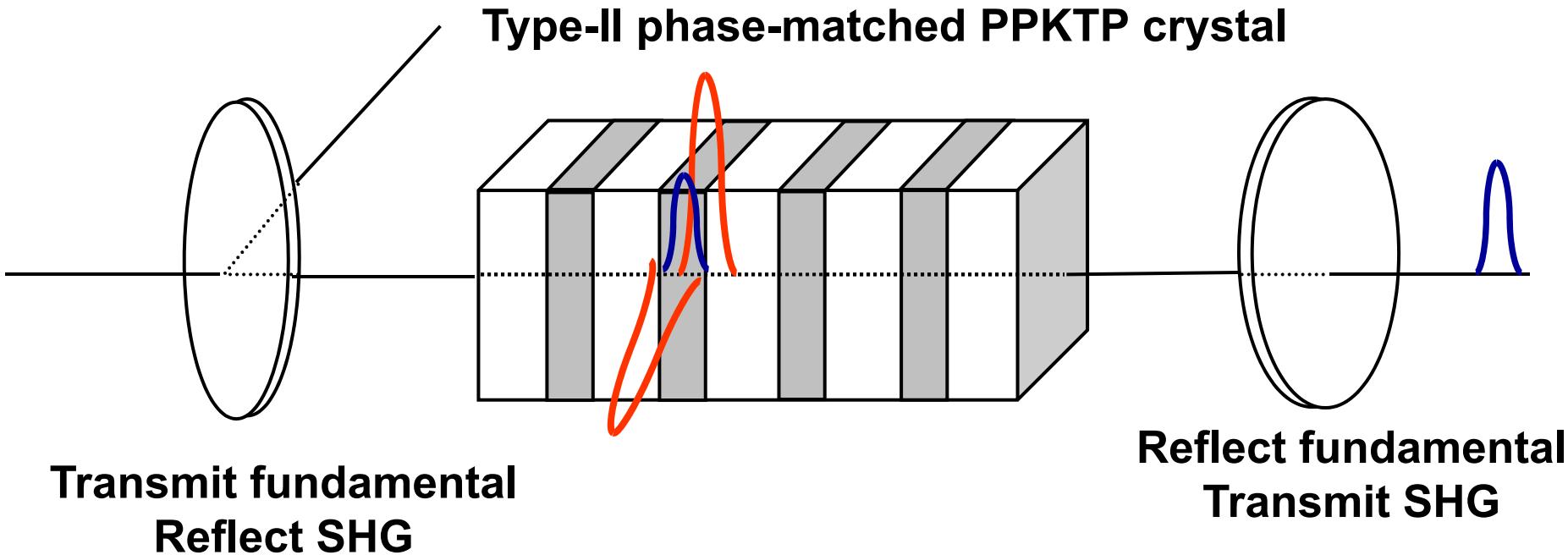
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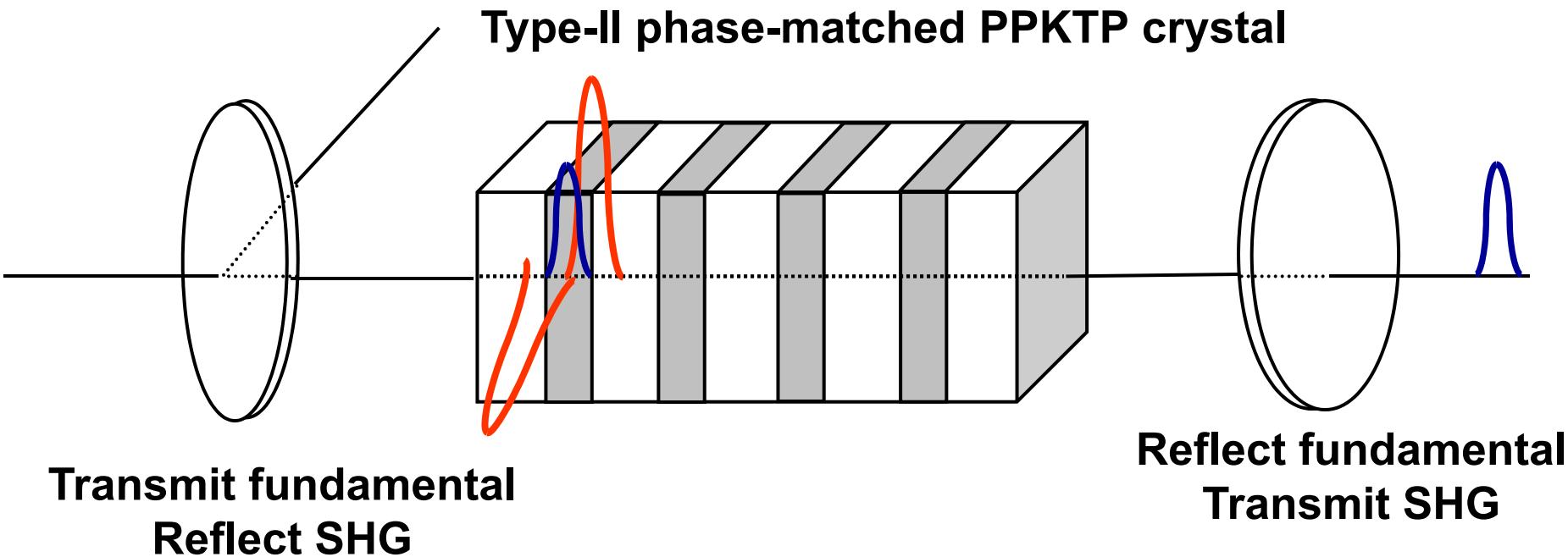
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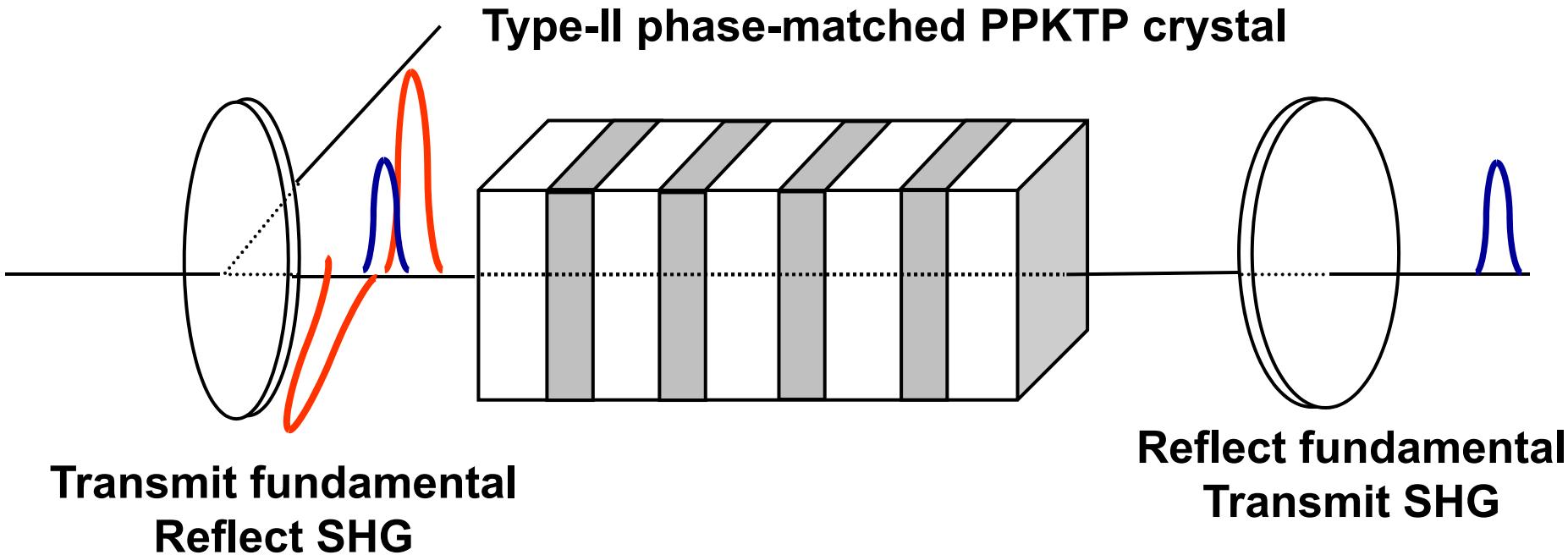
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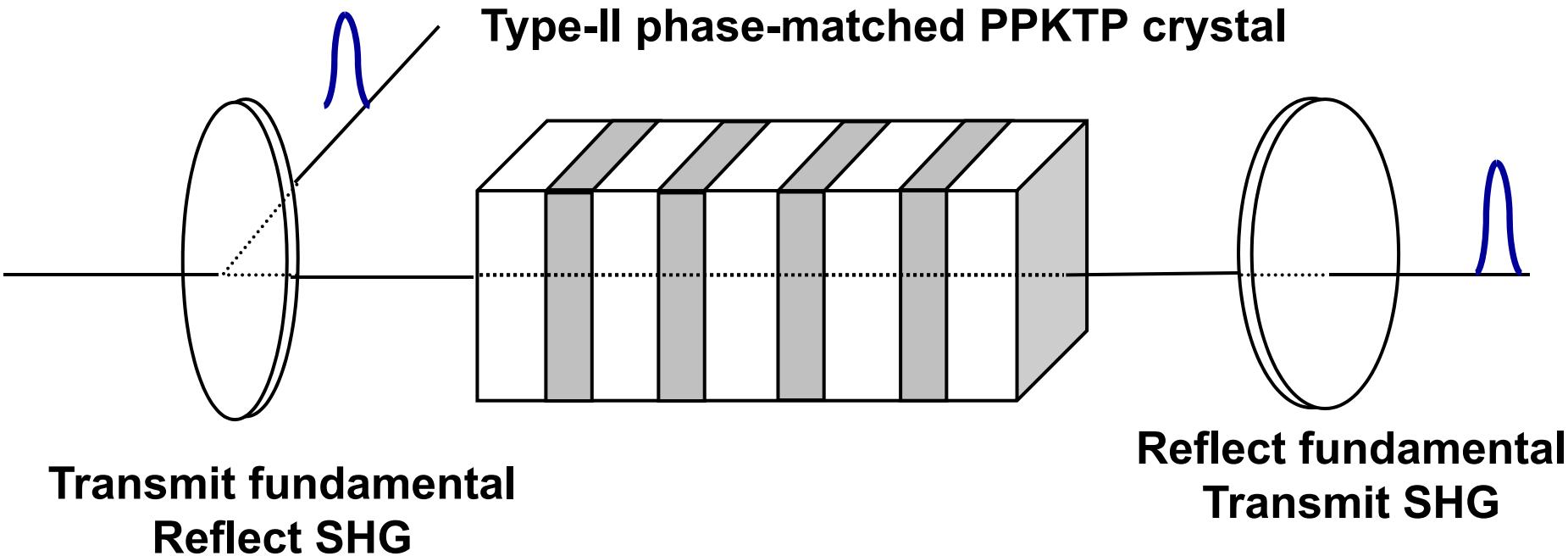
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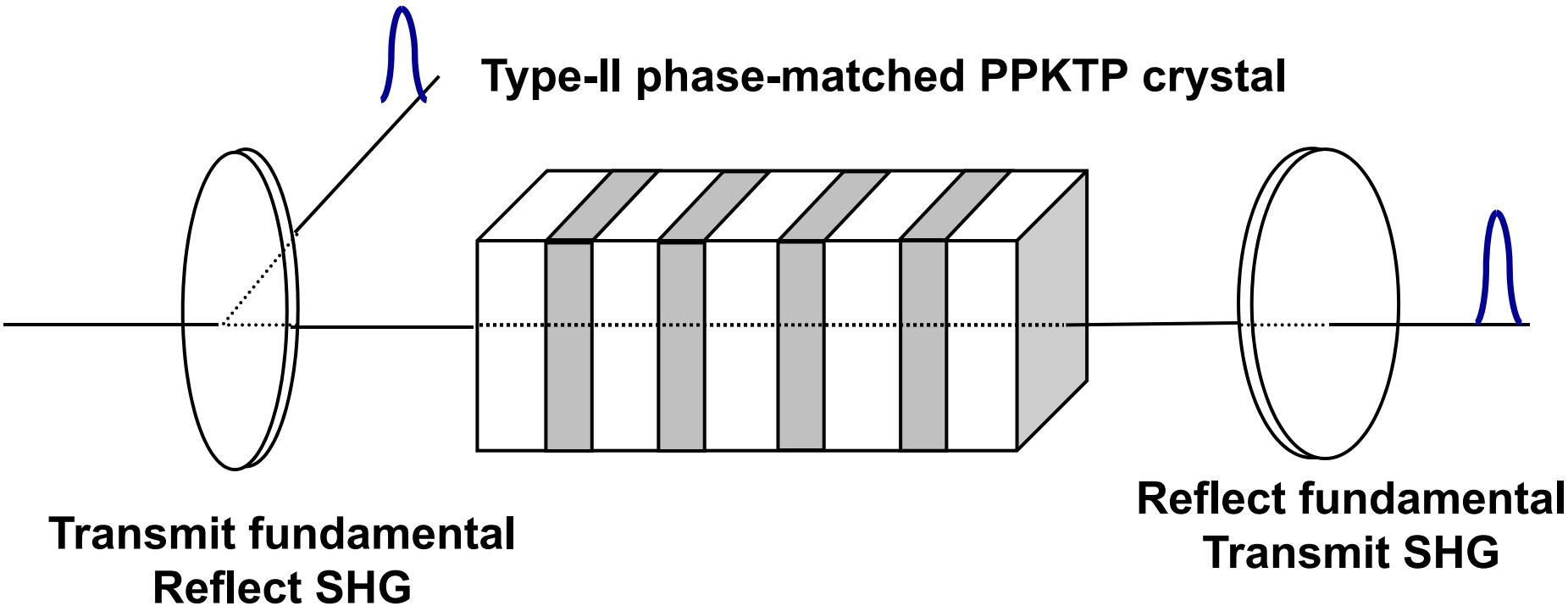
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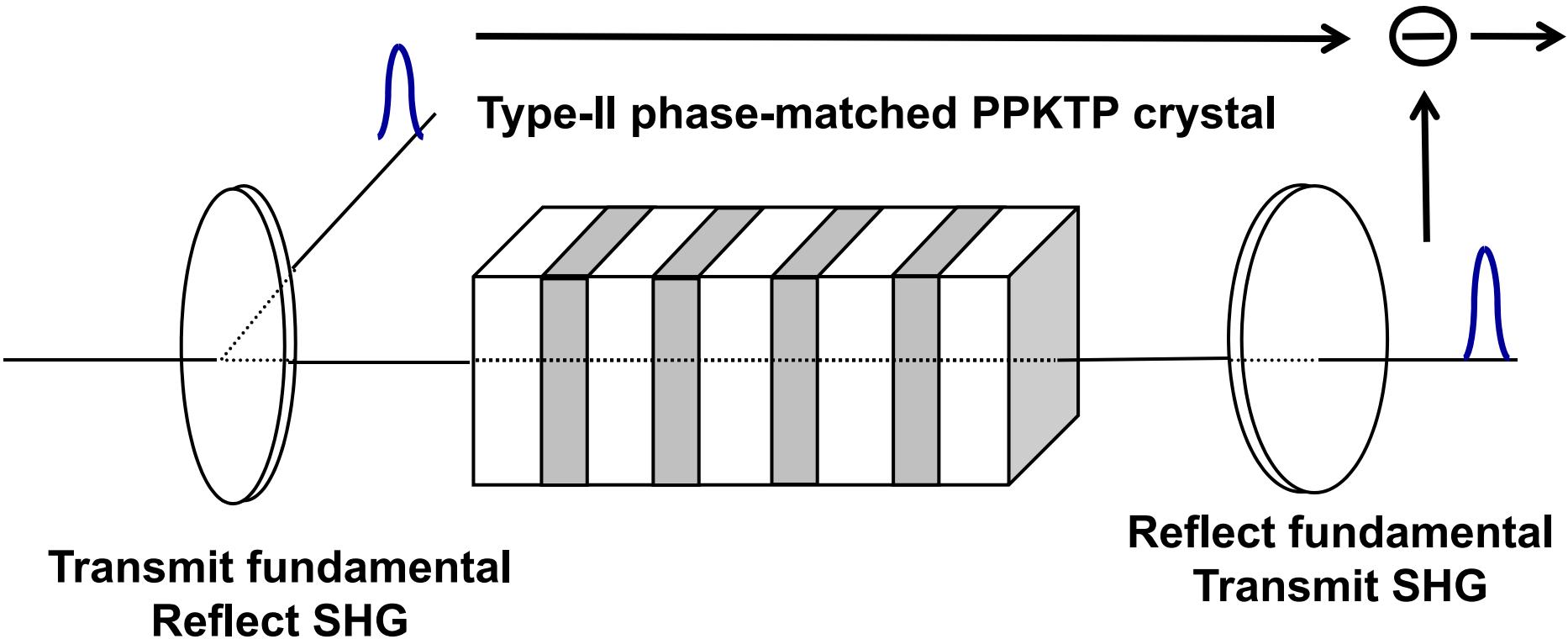
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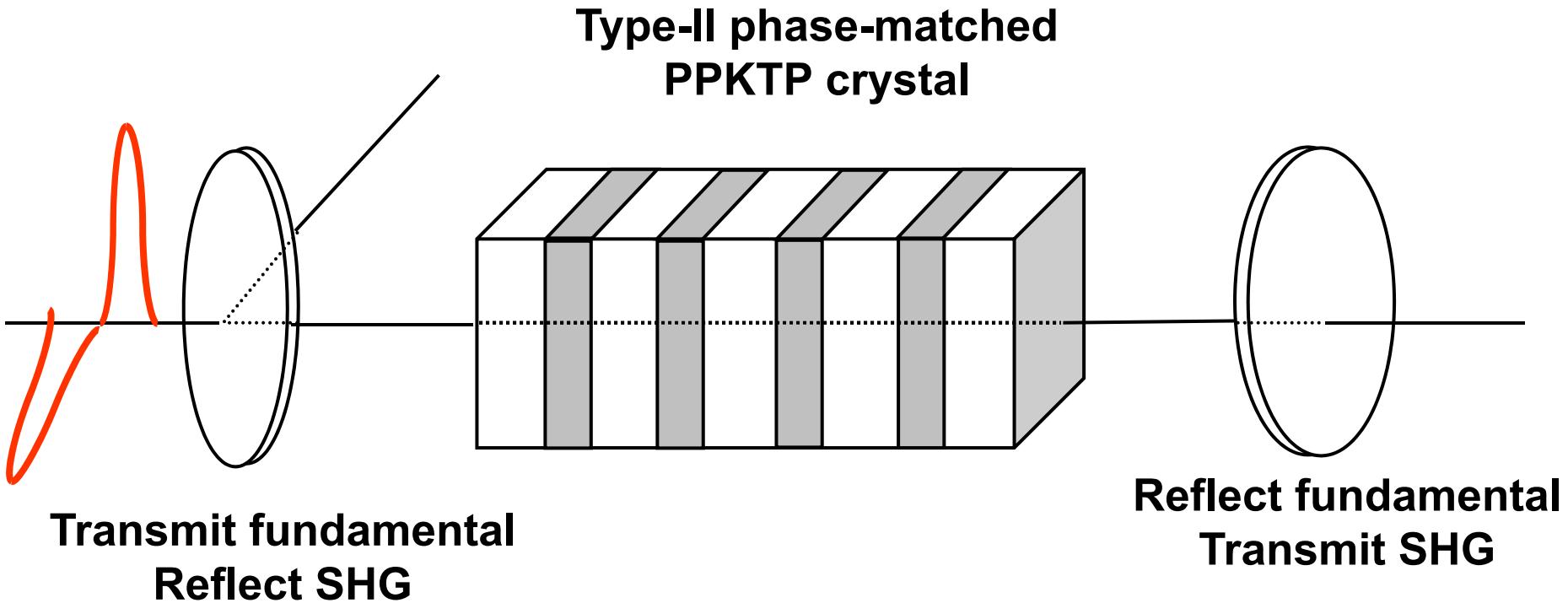
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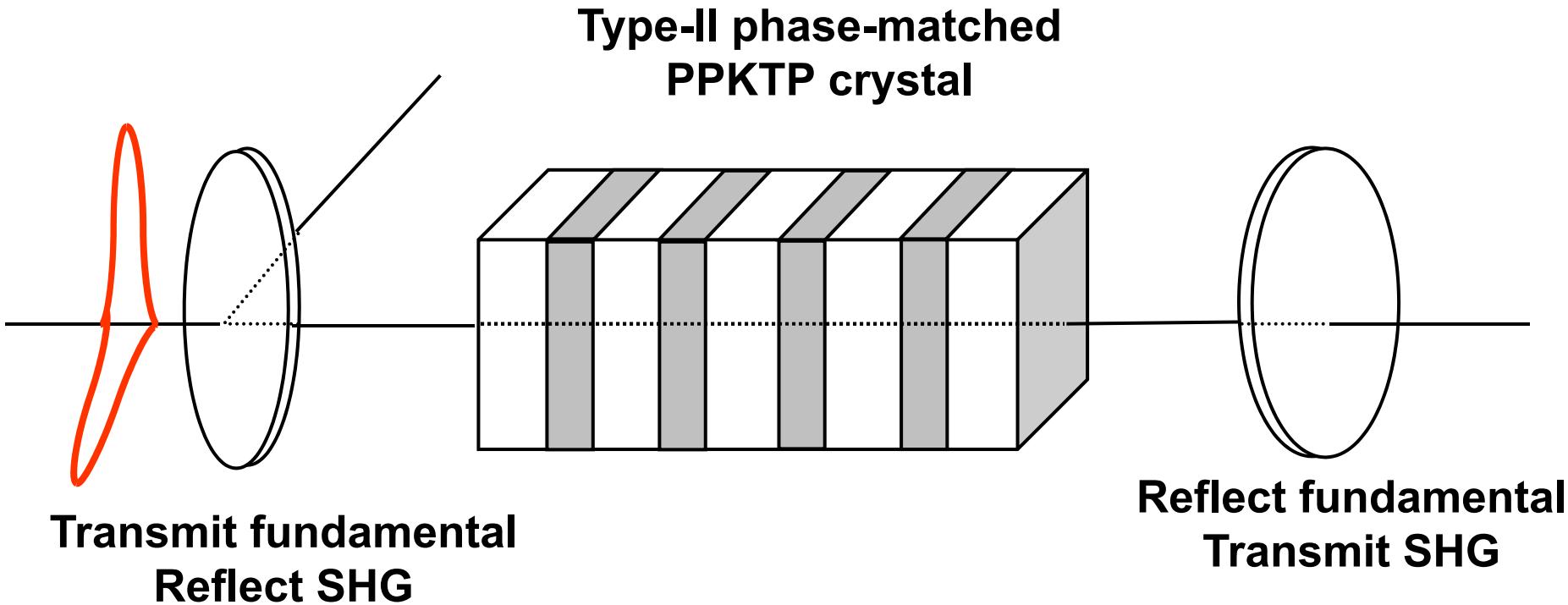
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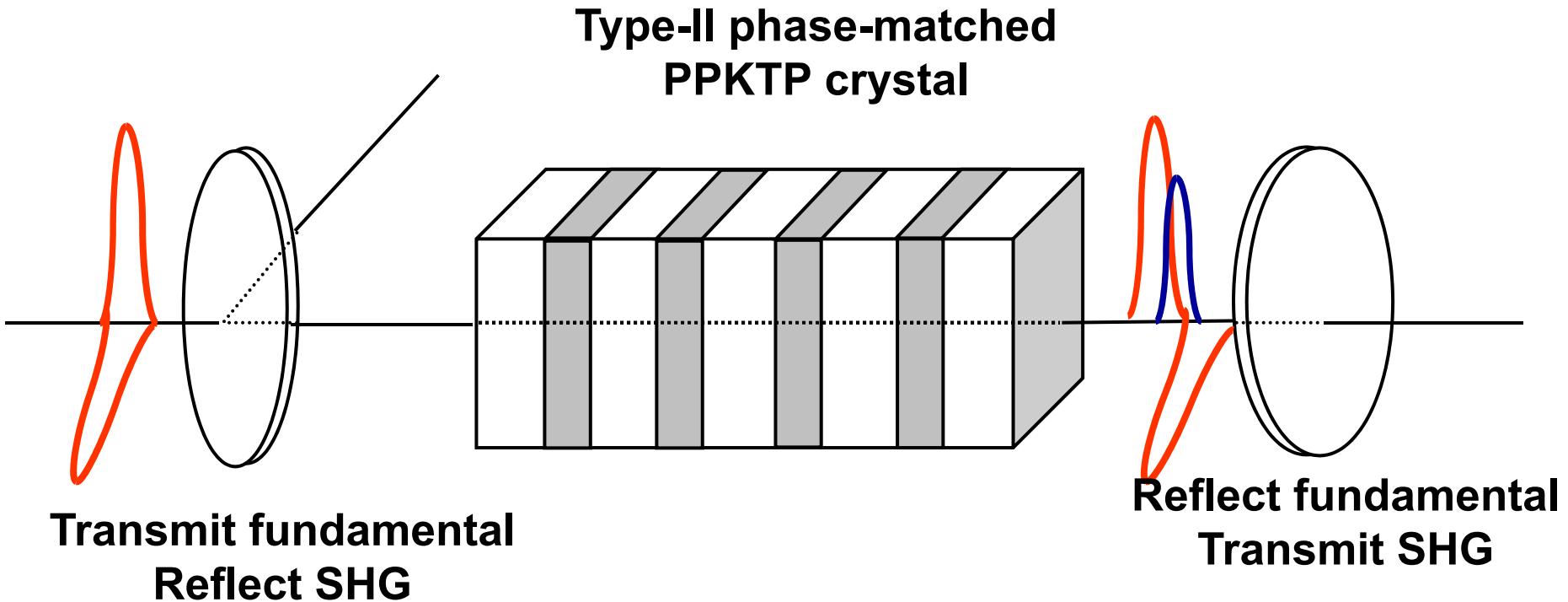
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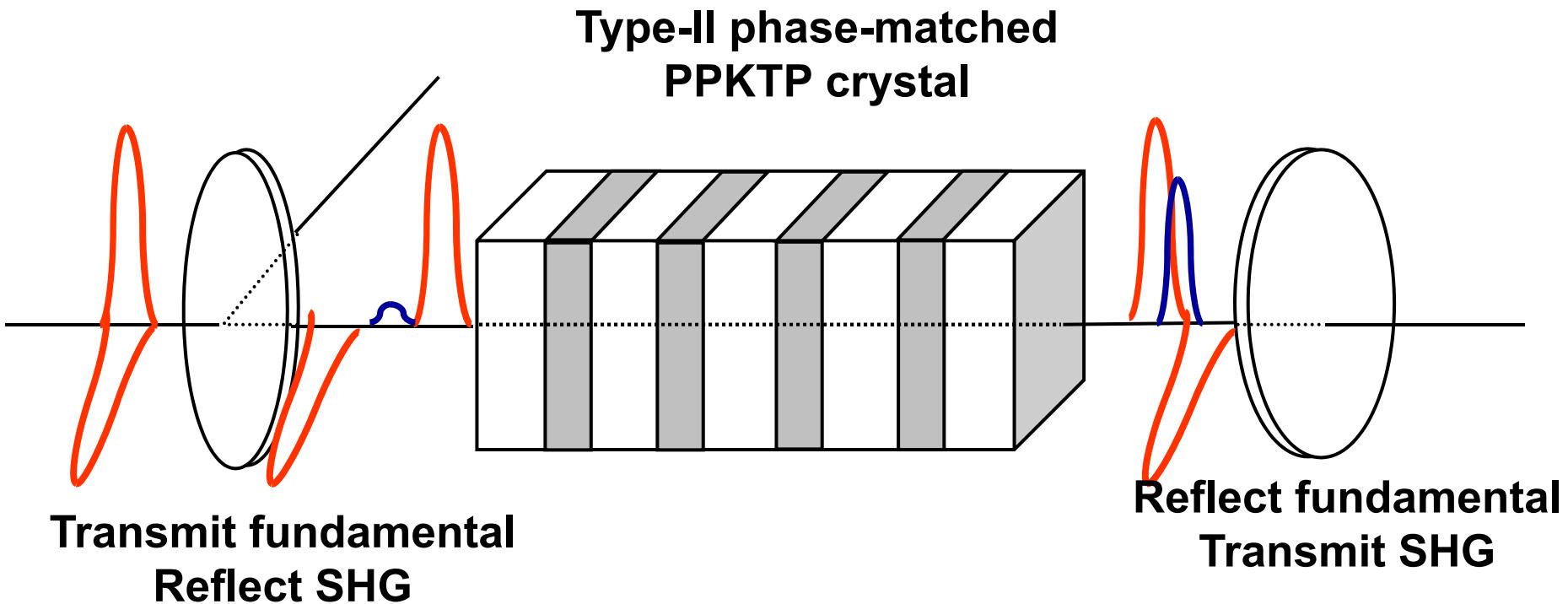
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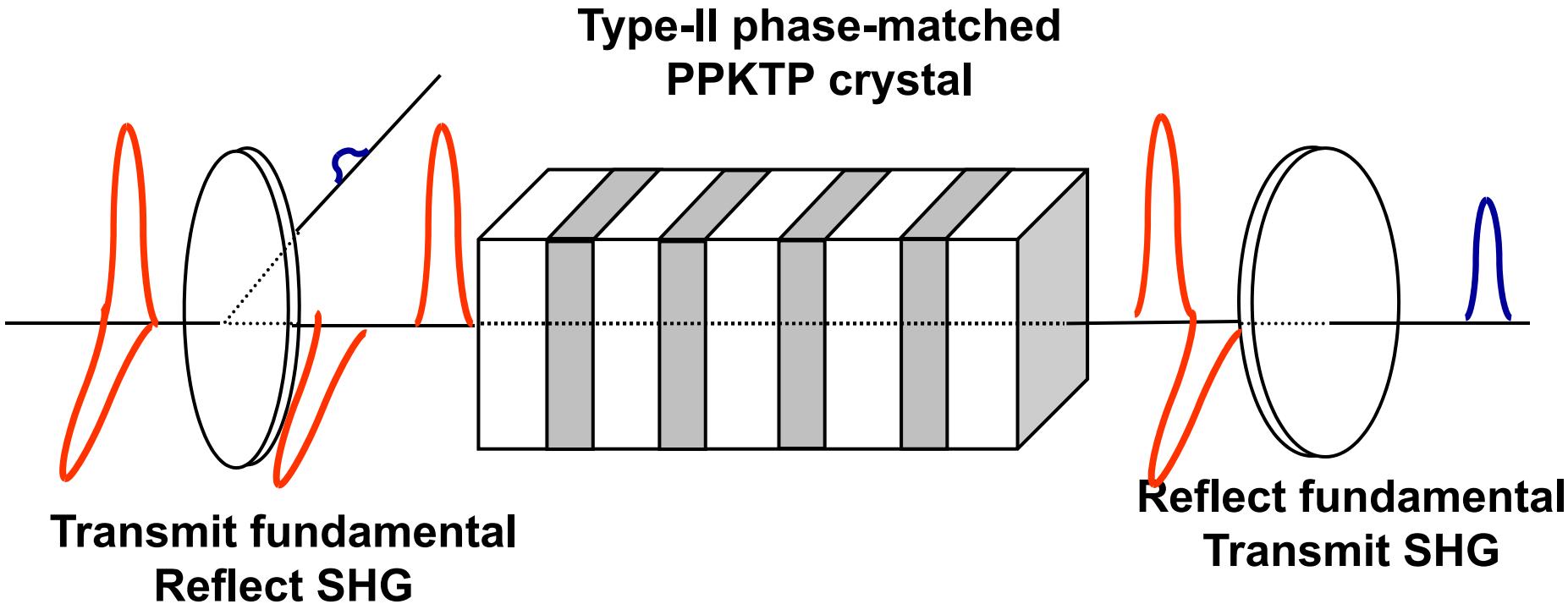


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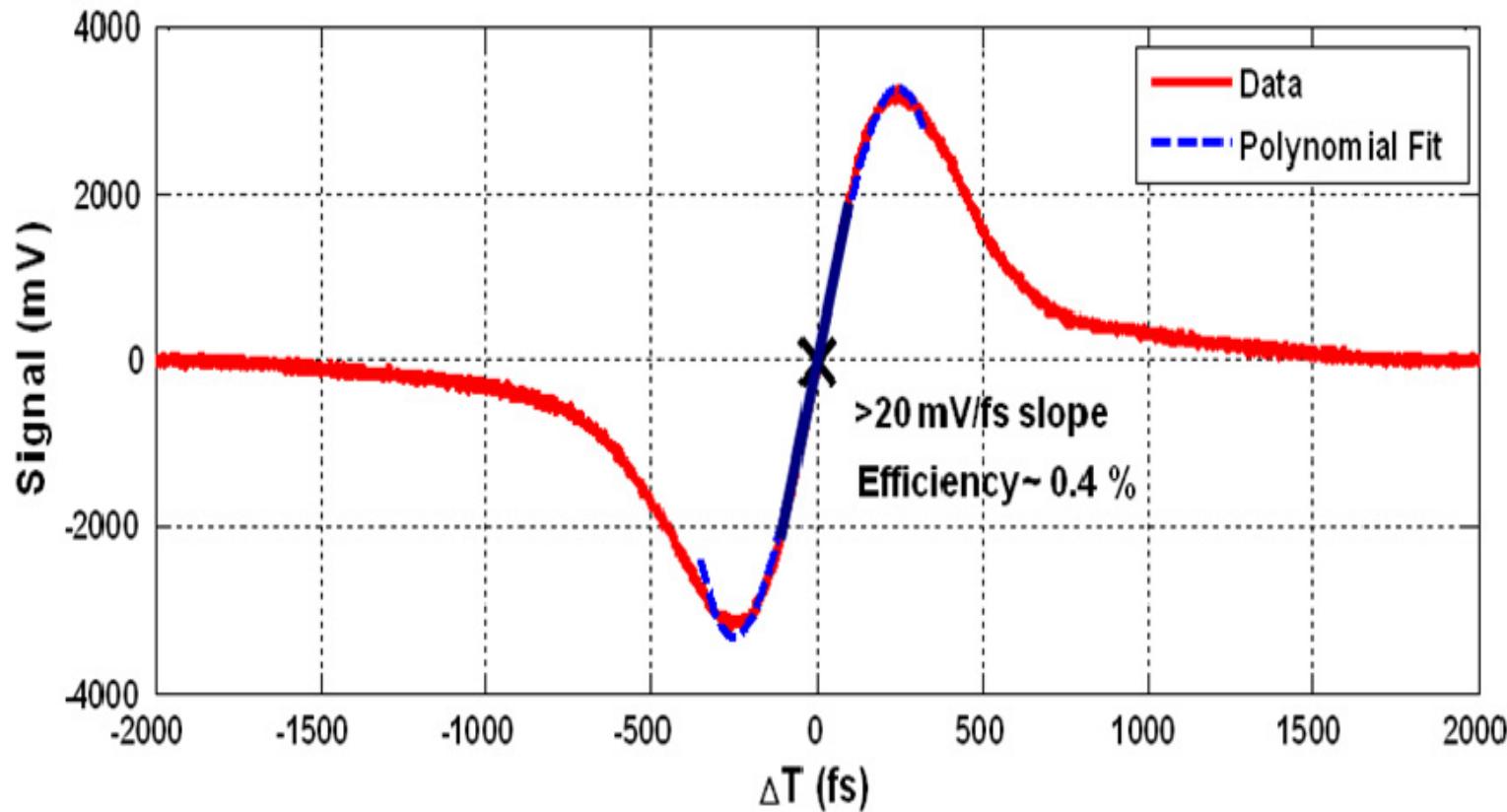
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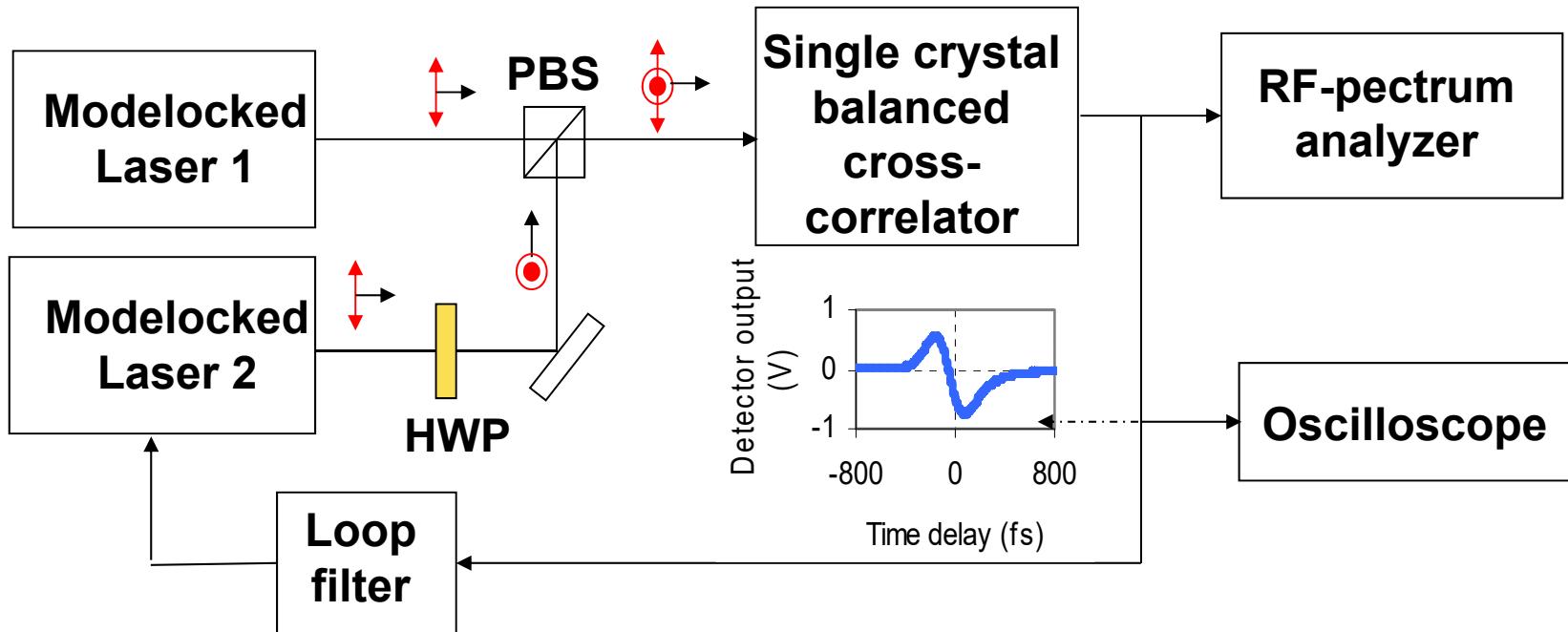


80 pJ, 200 fs
1550nm input pulses
at 200 MHz rep. rate

In comparison:
Typical microwave mixer
Slope $\sim 1 \mu\text{V/fs}$ @ 10 GHz
Greatly reduced thermal drifts!

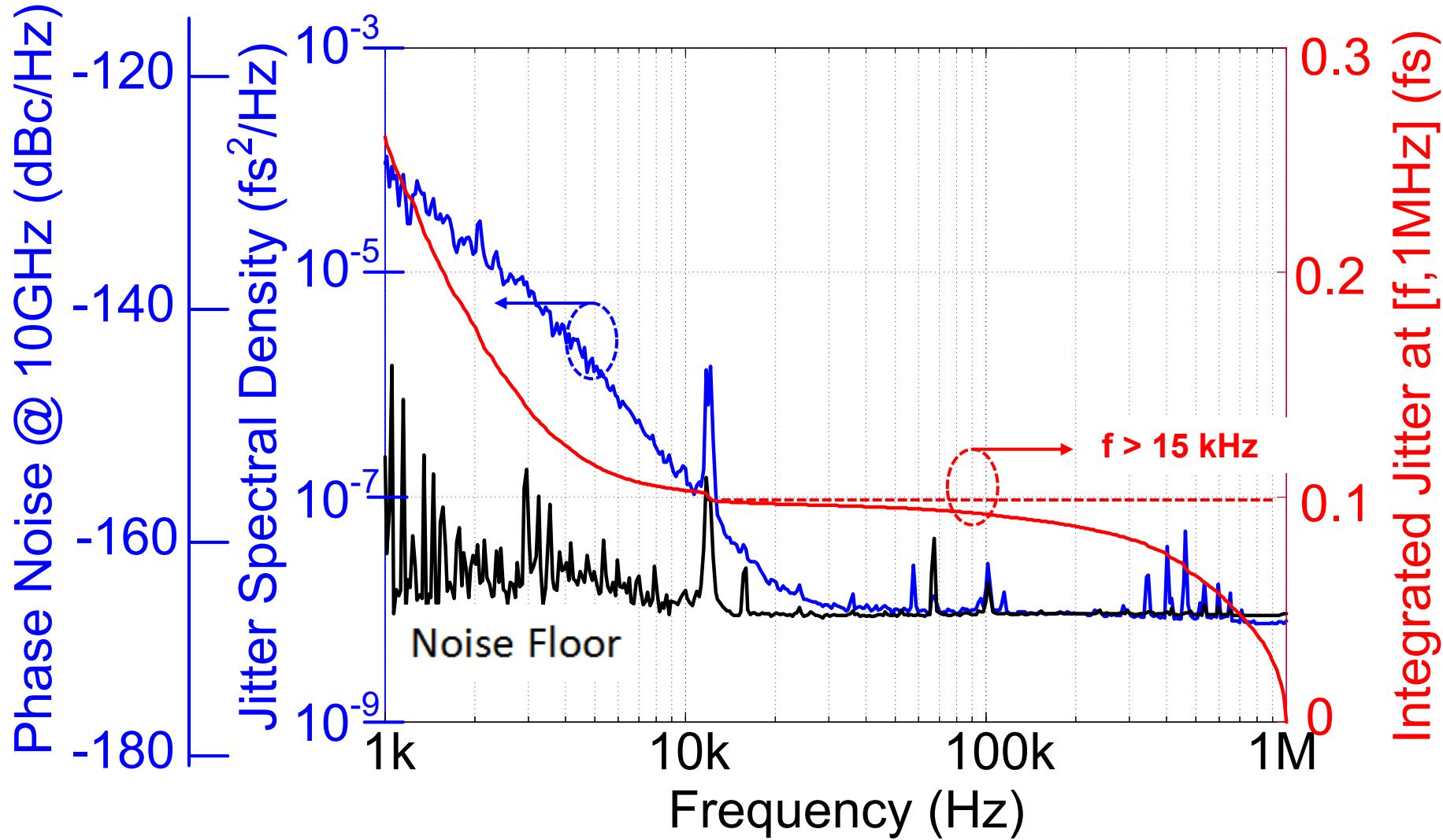
Timing jitter of lasers

Phase detector method → Timing Detector method



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Timing jitter of OneFive:Origami Laser



Attosecond Timing ?

How do we get to Attosecond Jitter Lasers?

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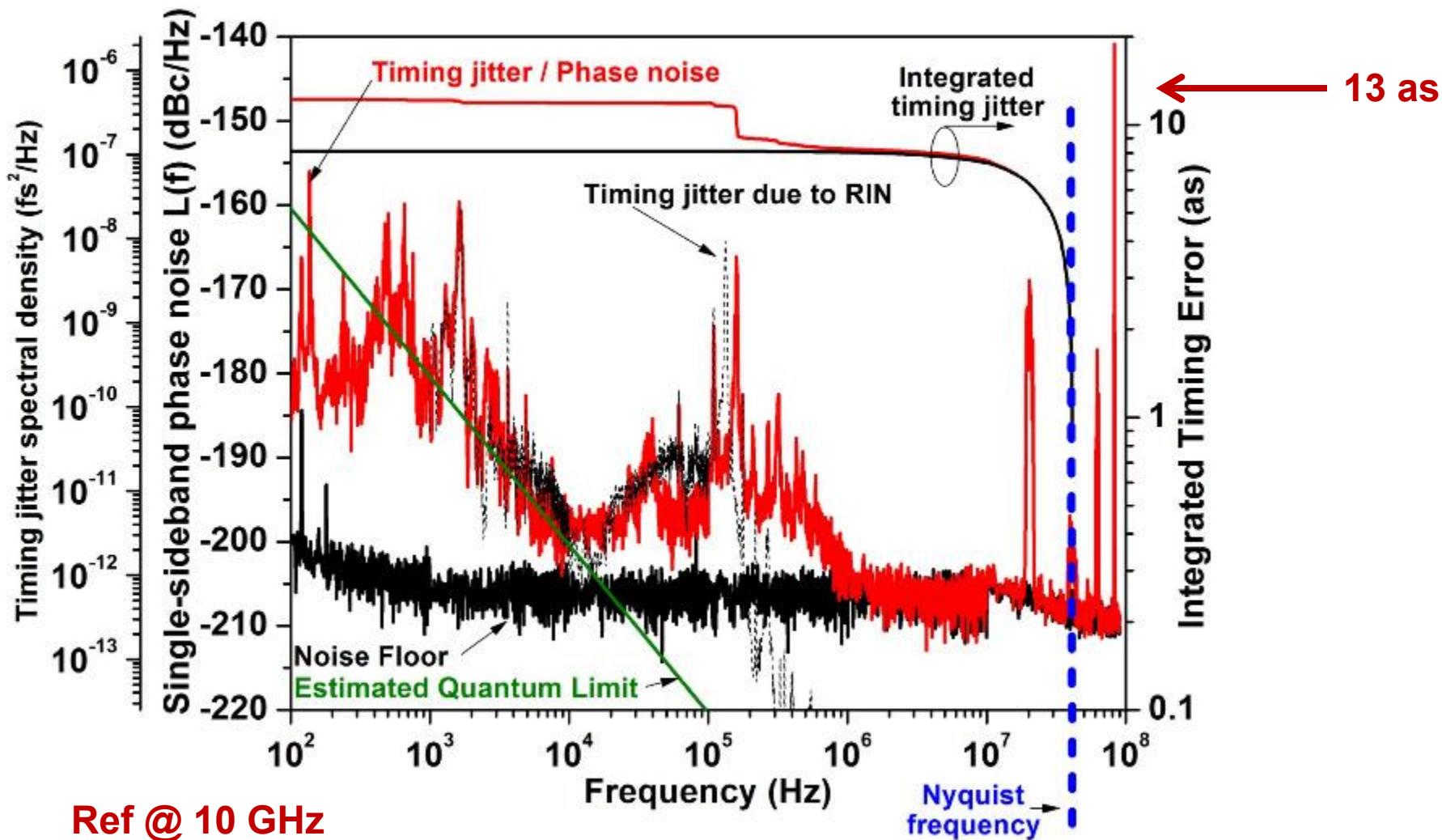
Intracavity losses down (Factor of 50)

Intracavity energy up (Factor of 50)

10-fs pulses (Factor of 100)

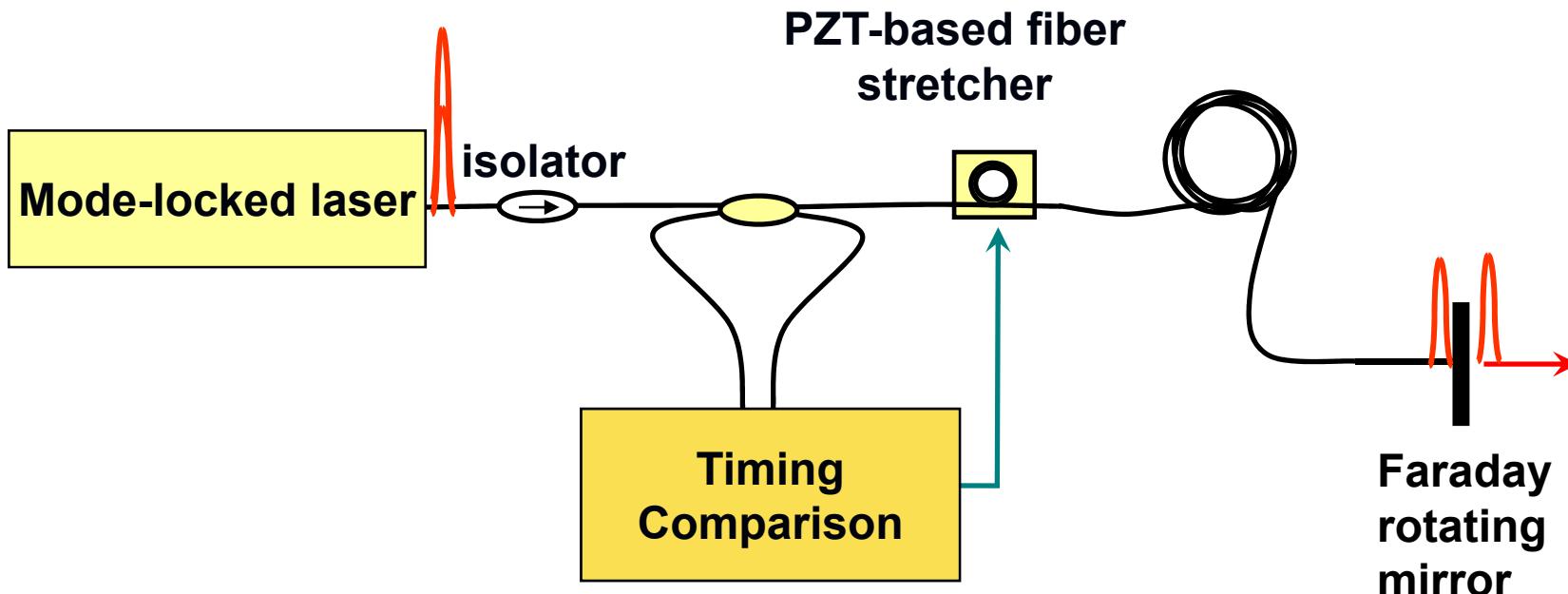
$\sim 10^6$ Is it true?

Two 10-fs Ti:Sapphire Lasers Synchronized within 13 as



Timing-stabilized fiber links

Fiber link ~ 100m - 5km
SMF/DCF or PM/PMDCF

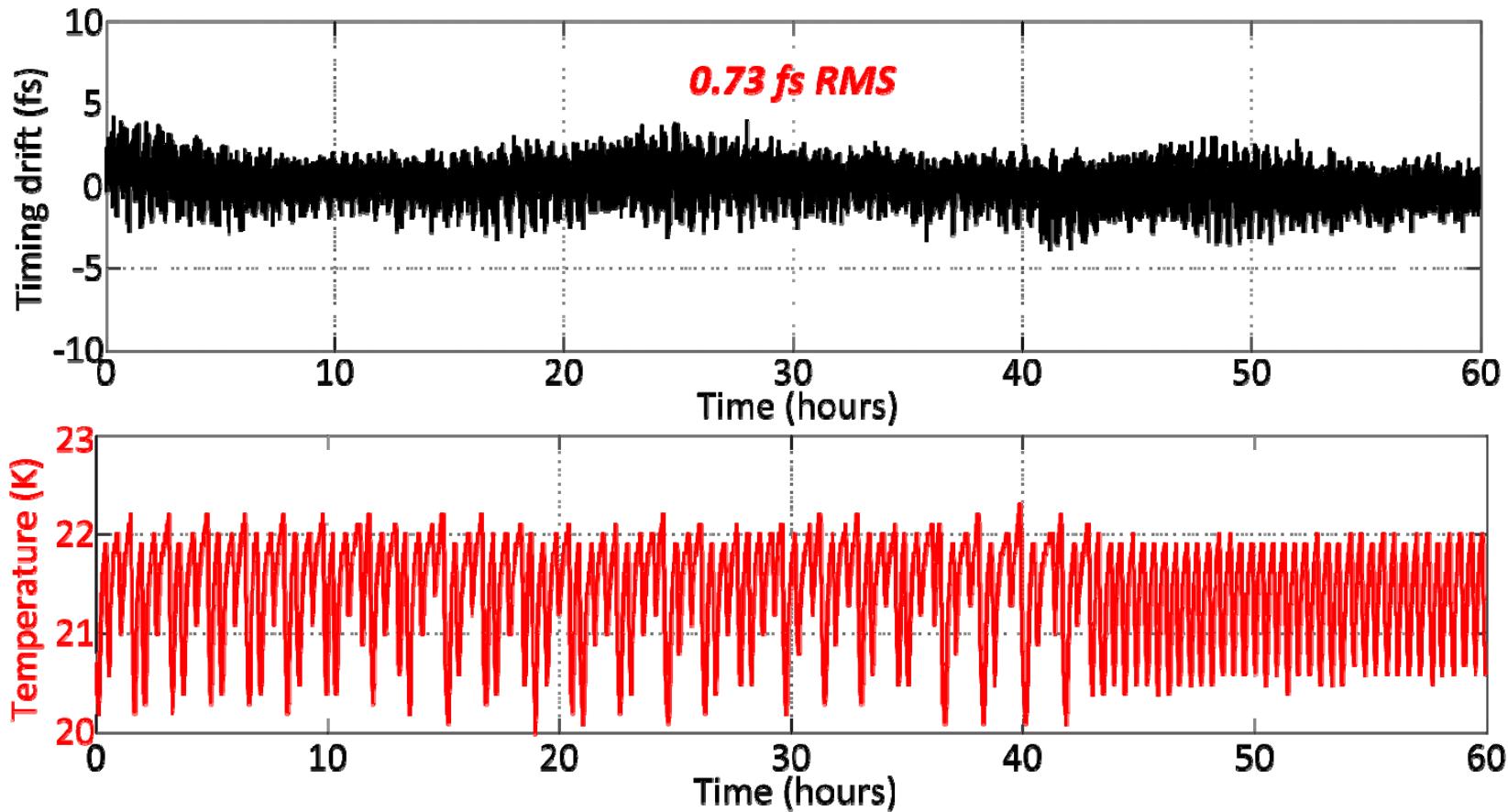


Cancel fiber length fluctuations slower than the pulse travel time ($2nL/c$).

1 km fiber: travel time = $10 \mu\text{s}$ $\rightarrow \sim 100 \text{ kHz BW}$

60 hours operation in commercial system

Out-of loop timing jitter between two 150 m PM-links in a 16-link system

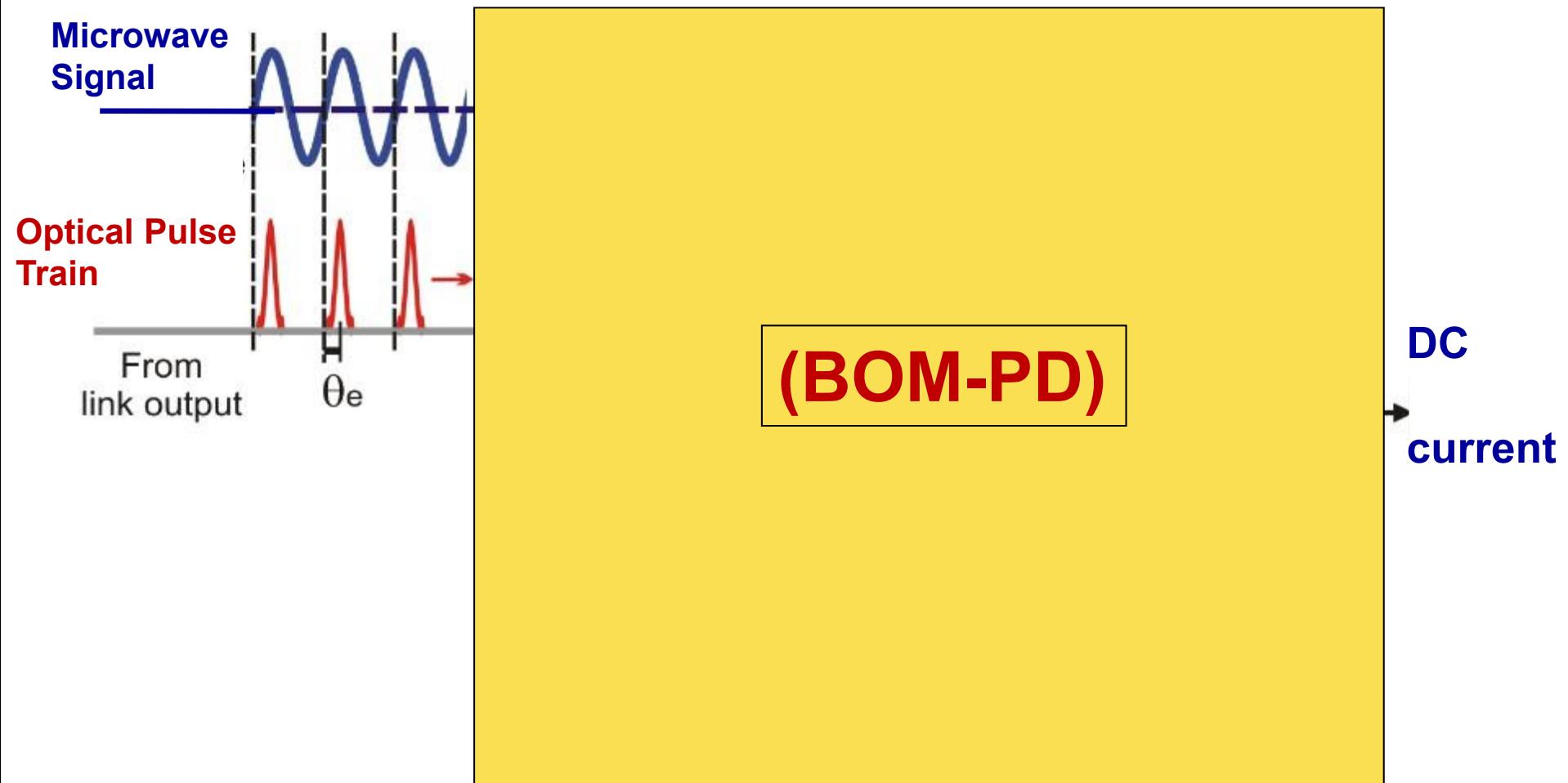


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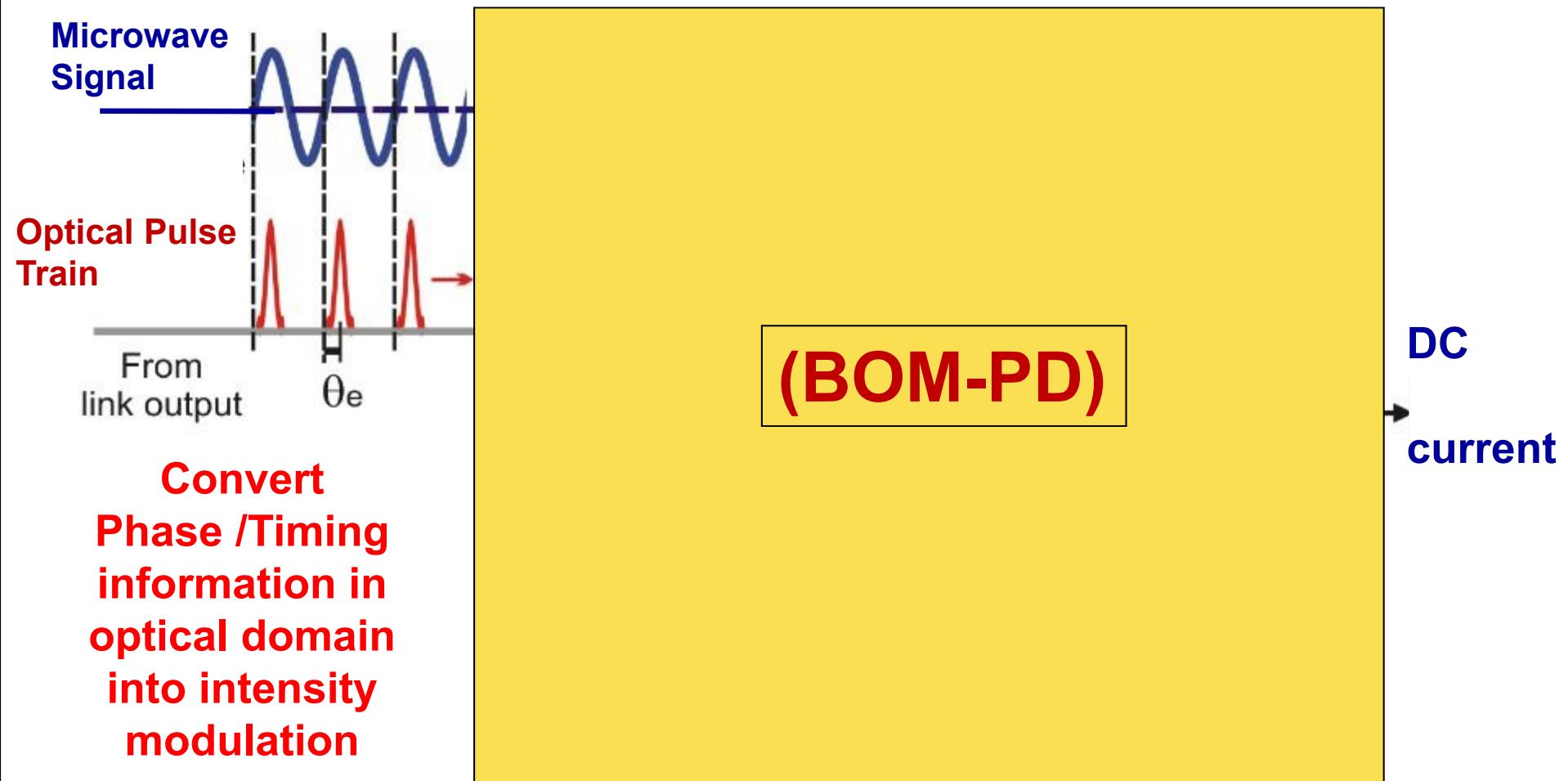


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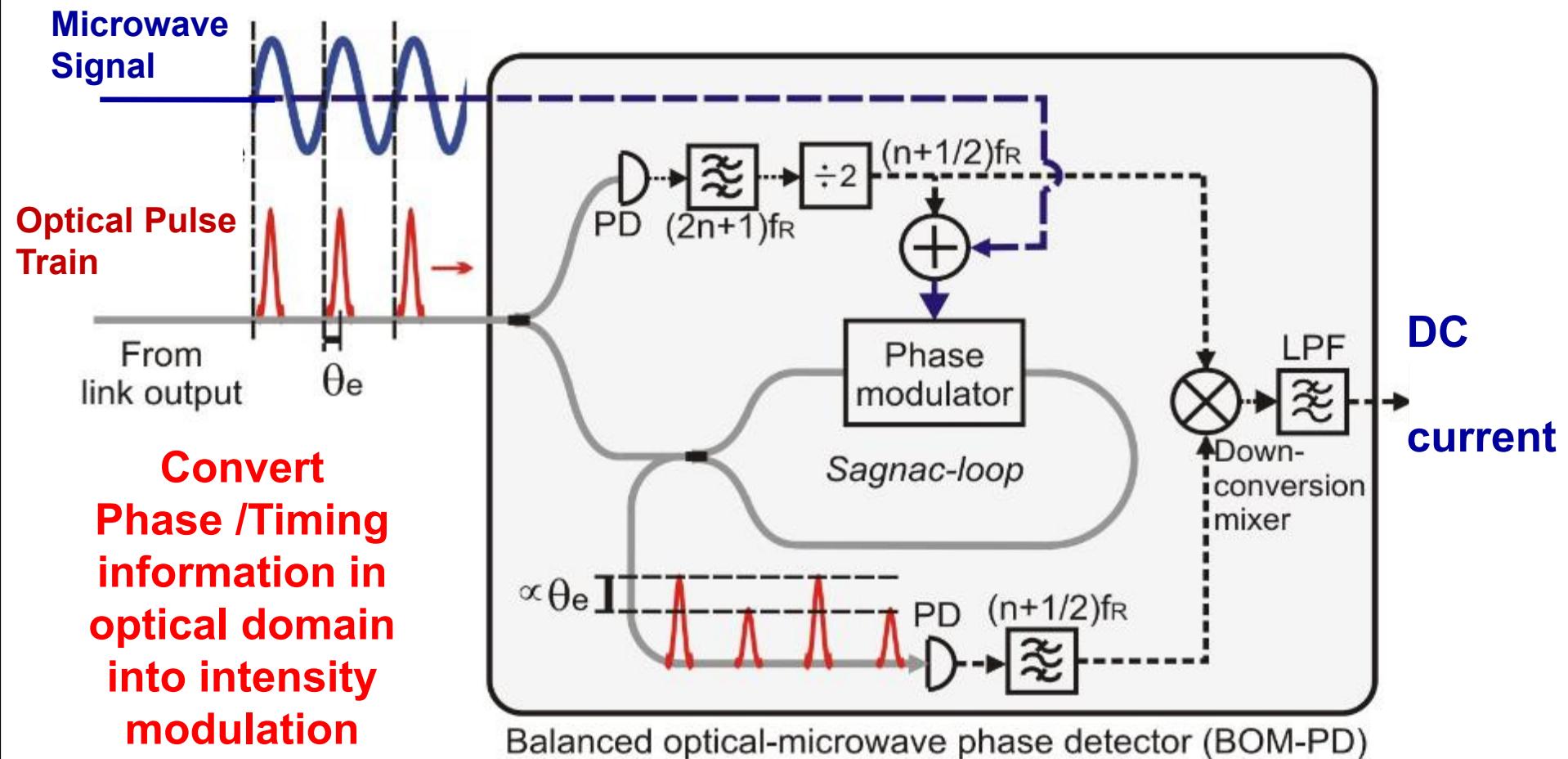
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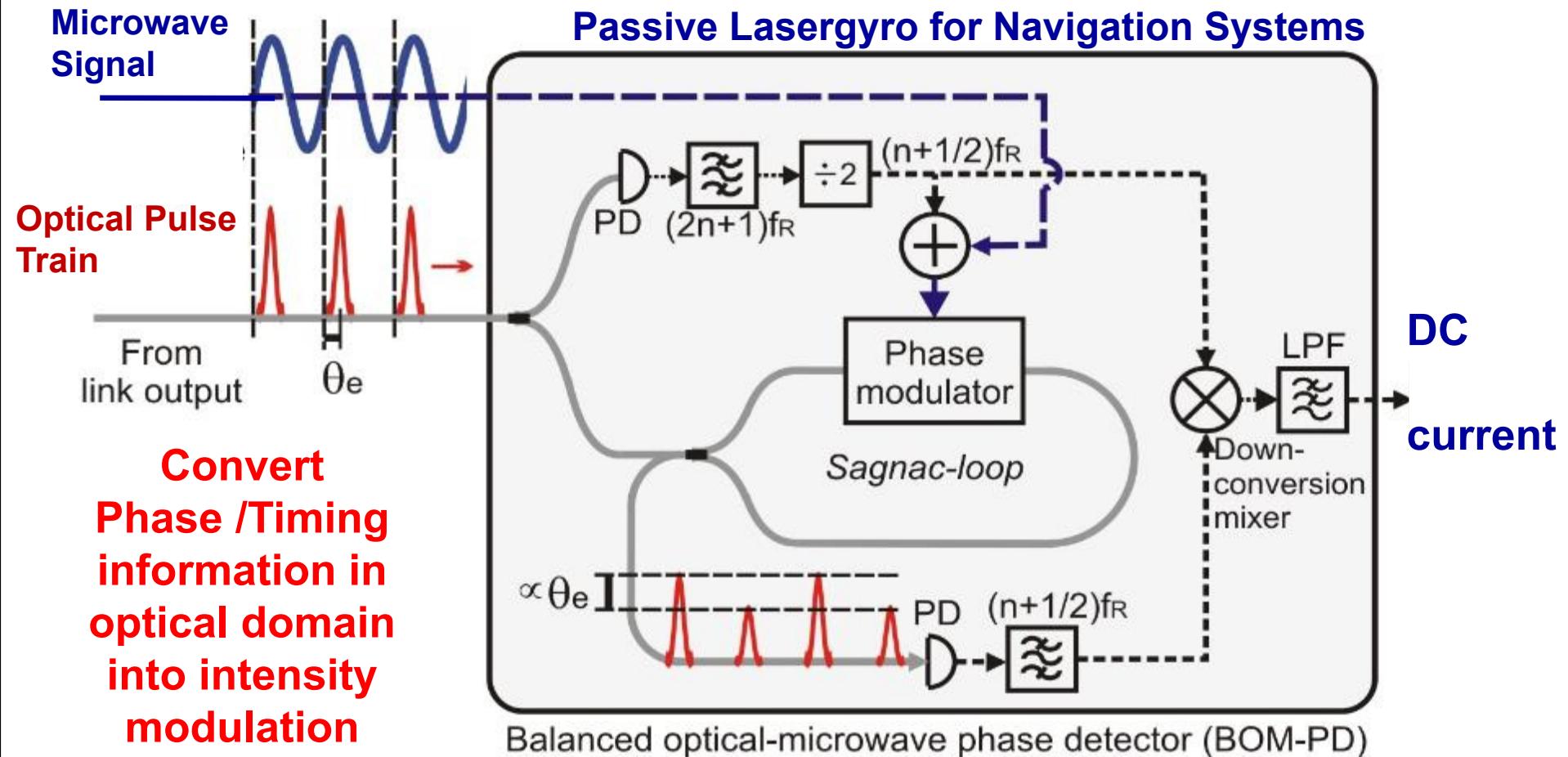
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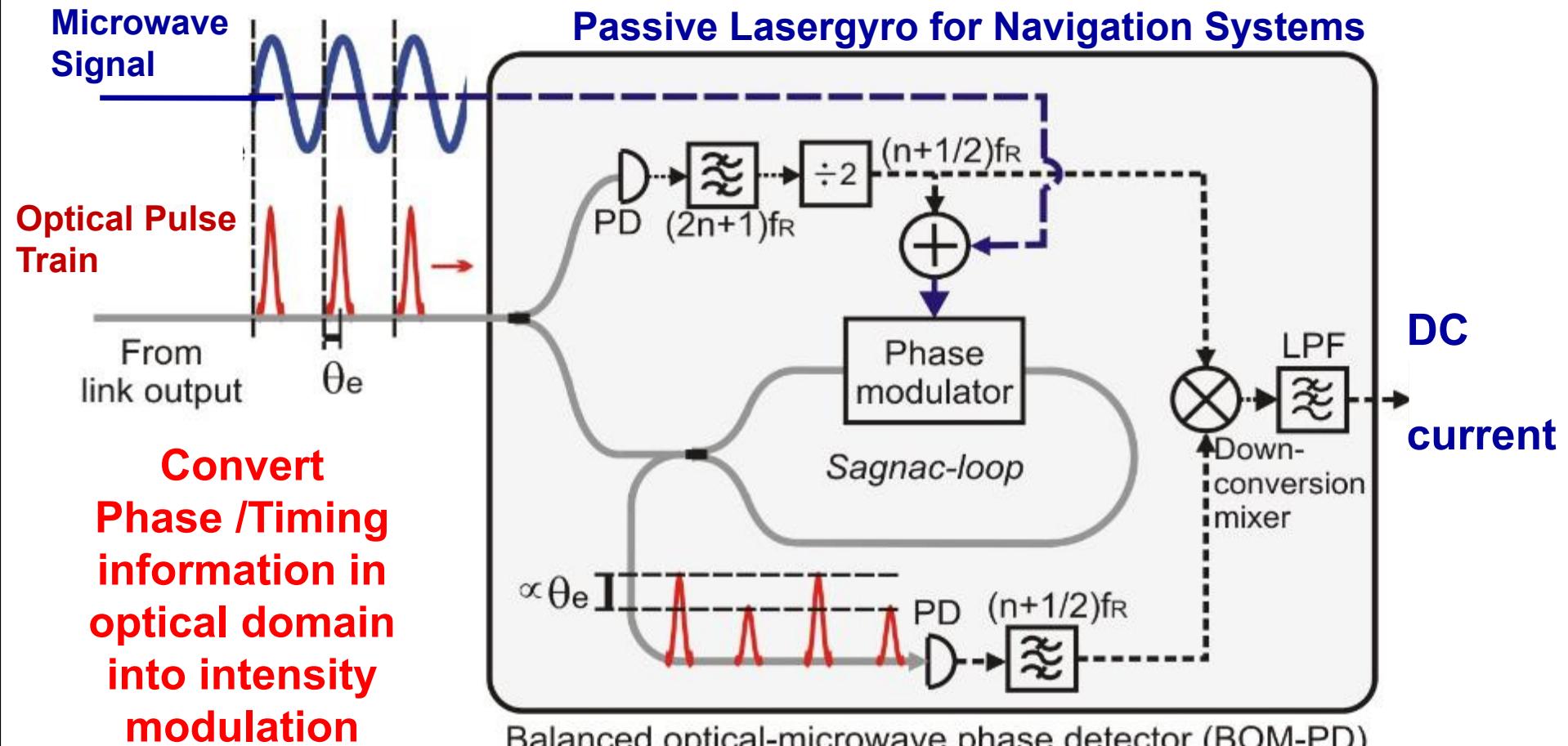
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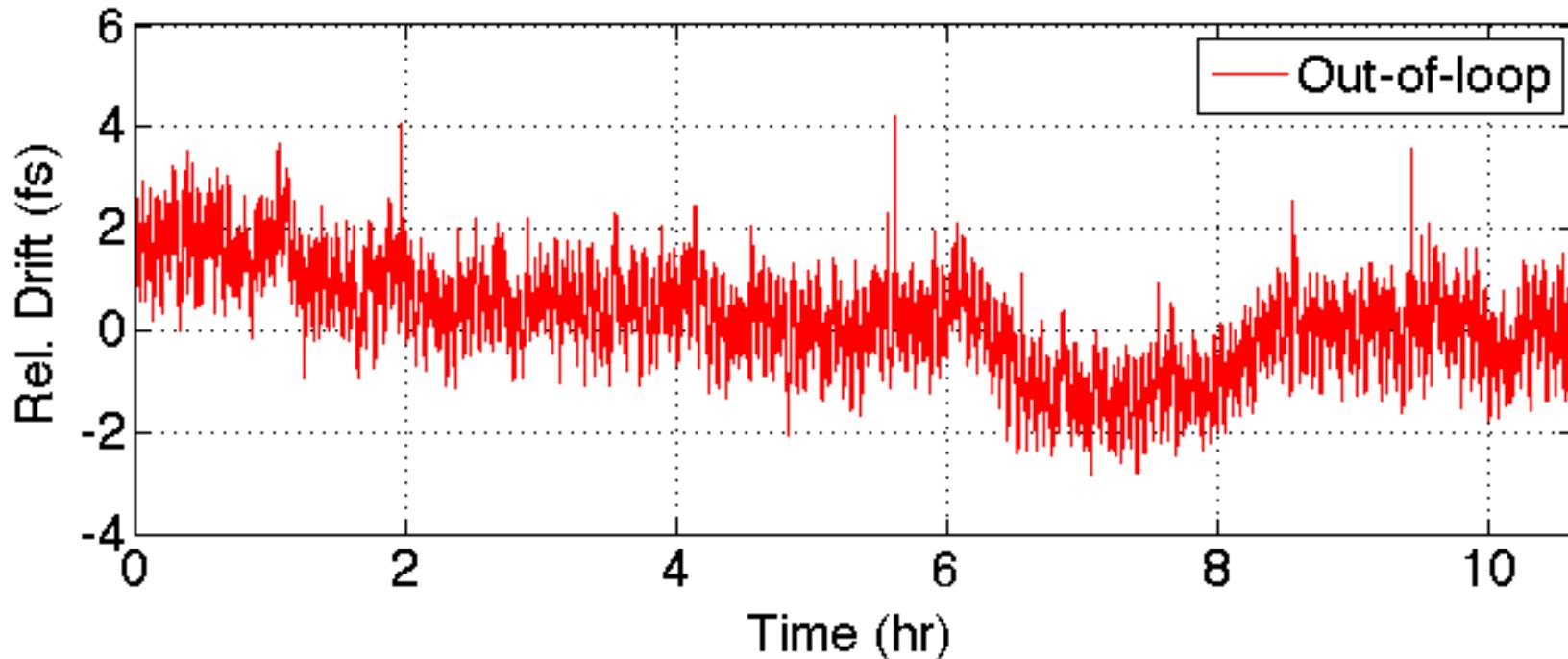


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Electro-optic sampling of microwave signal with optical pulse train

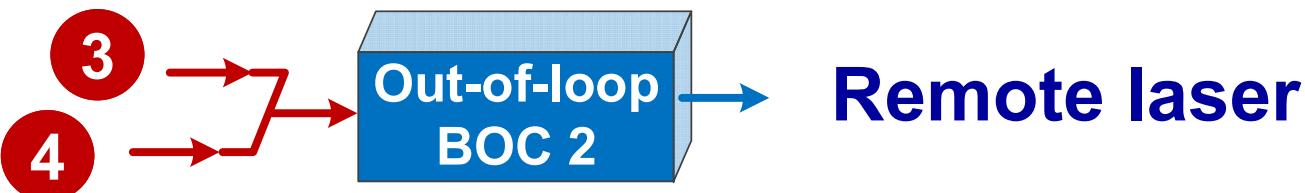
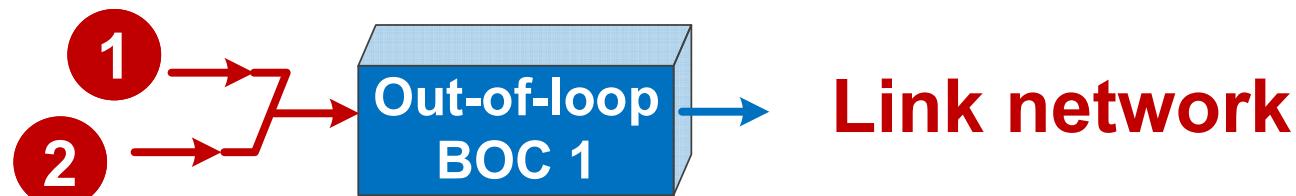
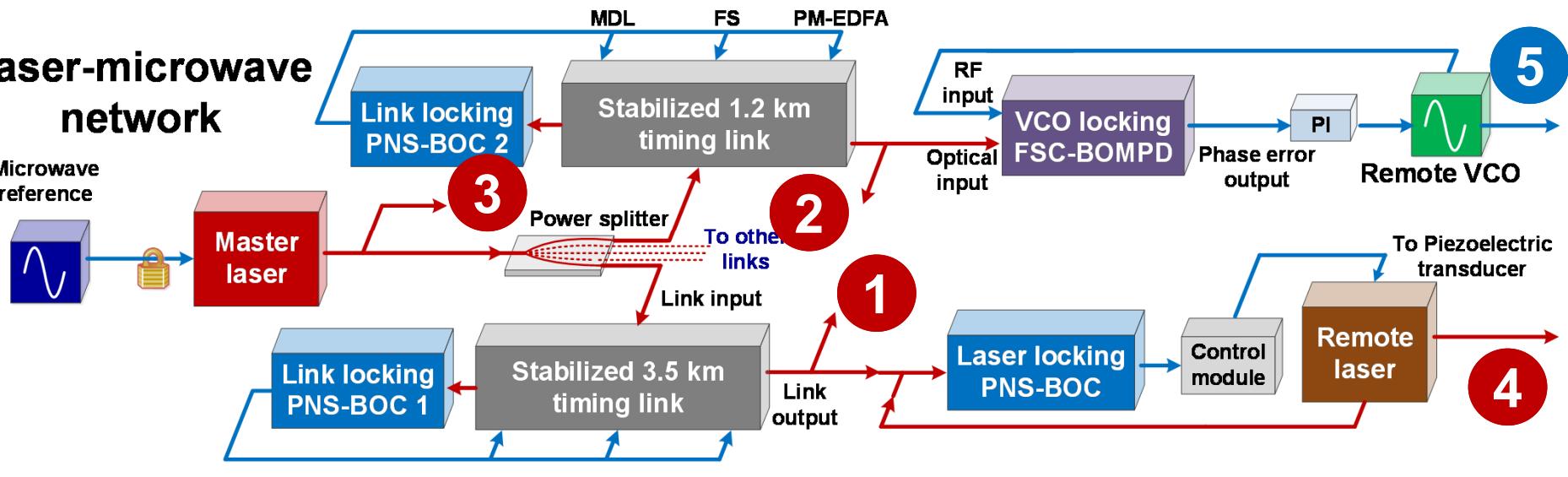
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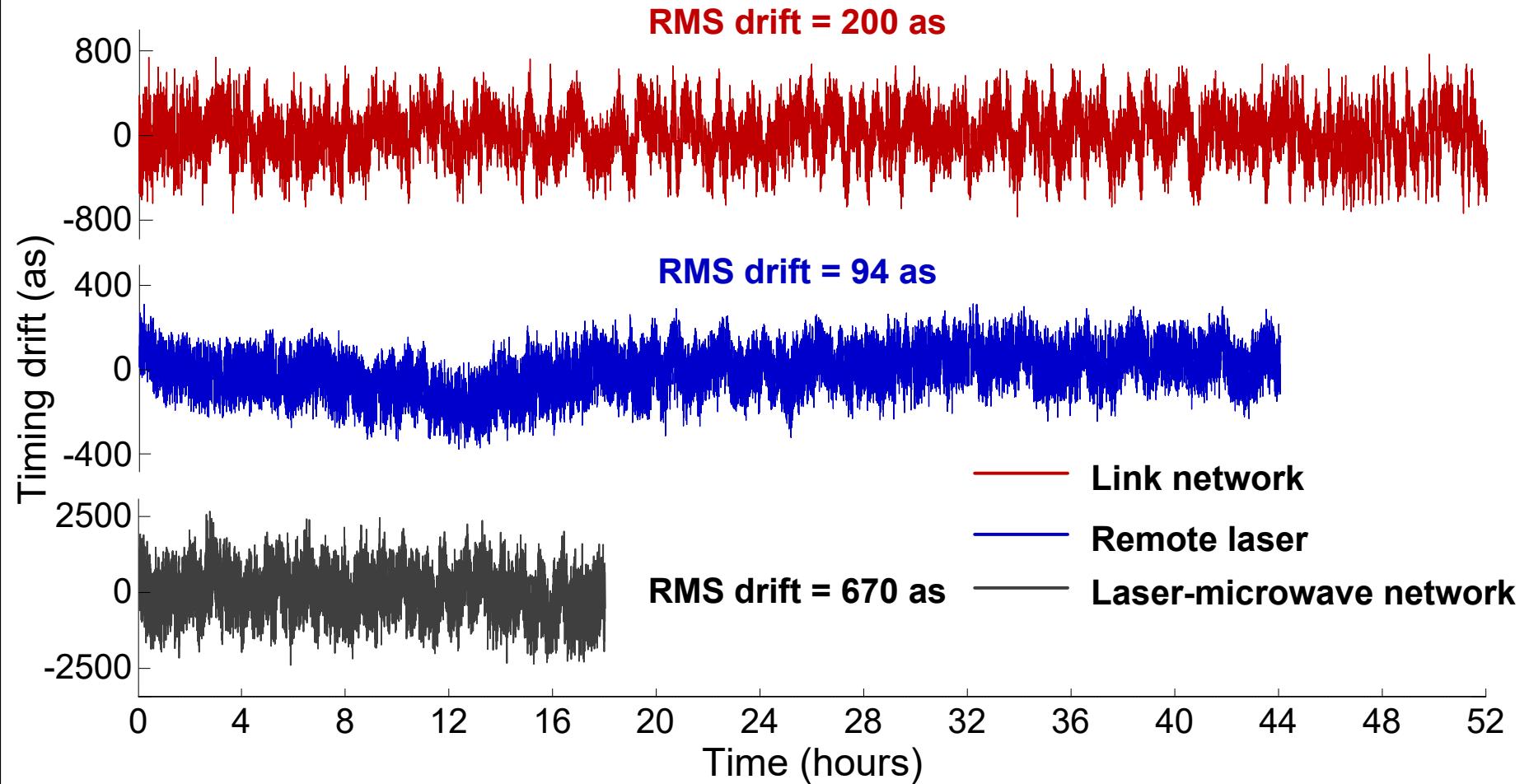
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4.7 - km laser-microwave network

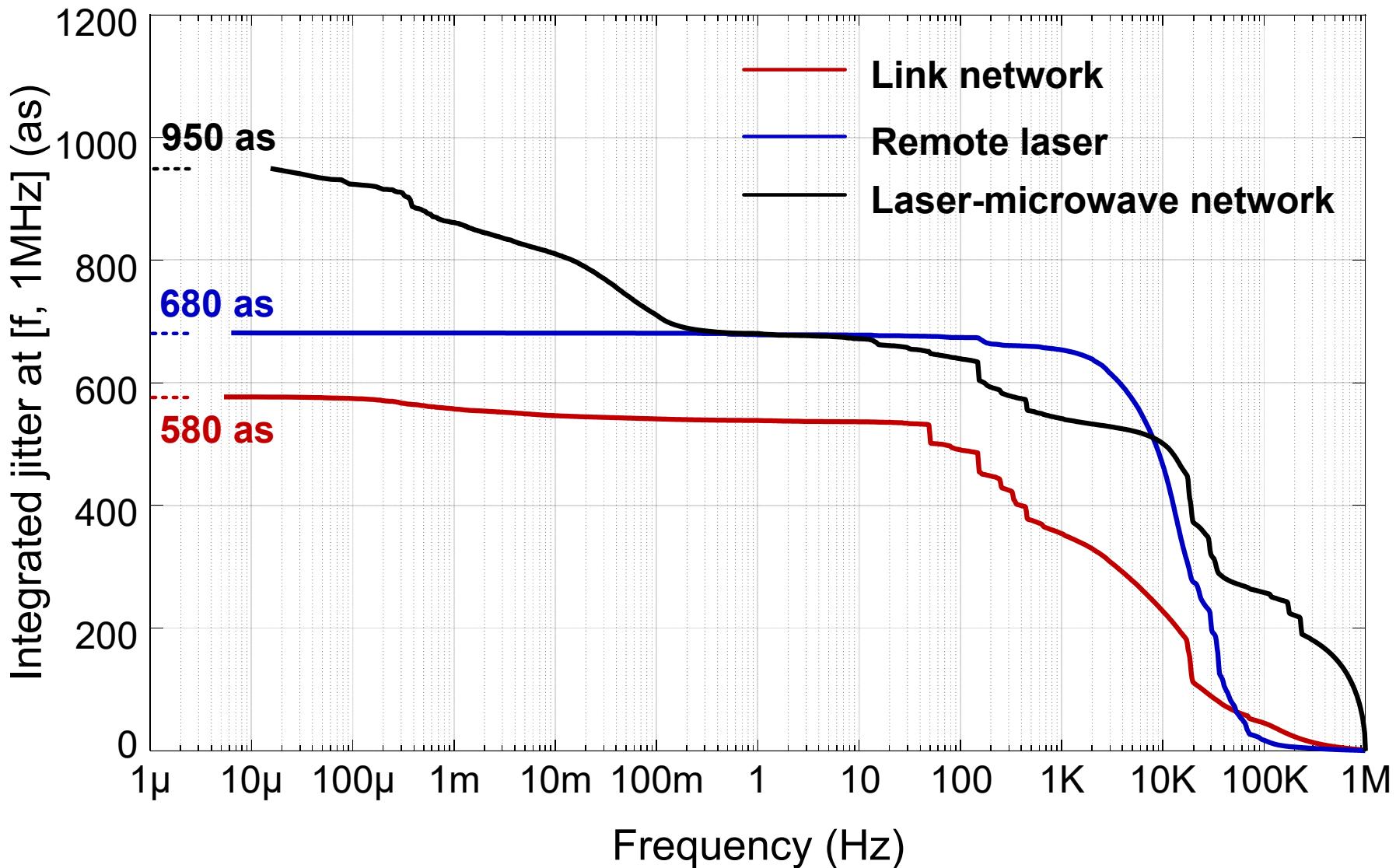
Laser-microwave network



Results—long-term timing drift



Results—Integrated timing jitter

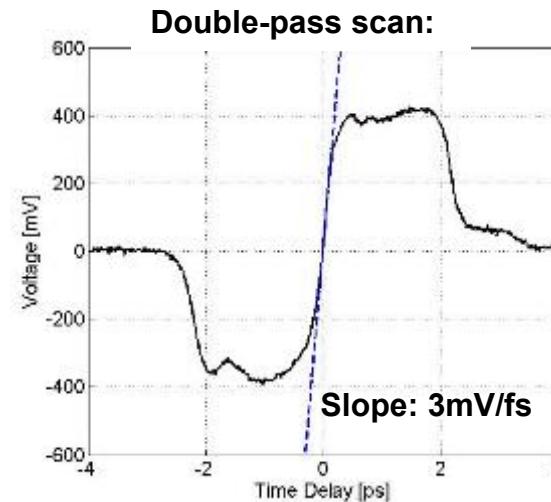
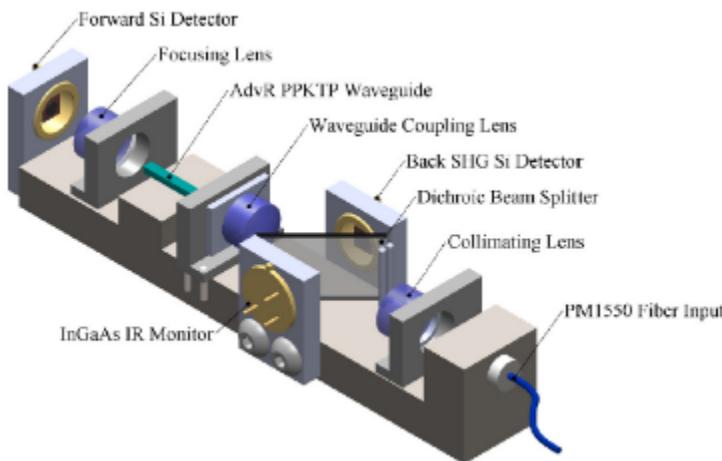


Integrated Optics

BOC and (BOMPD)

Integrated Waveguide BOCs

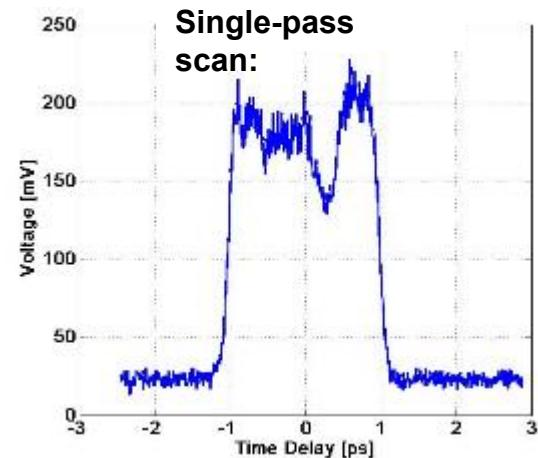
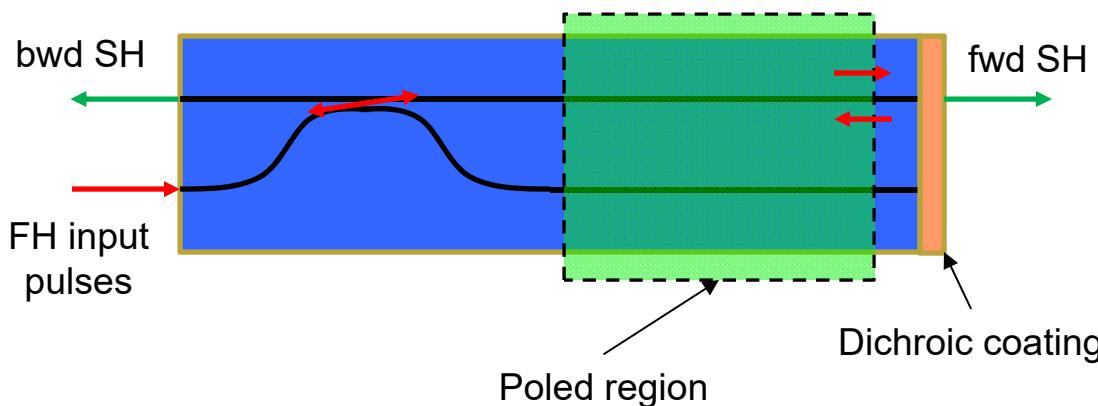
- Packaged waveguide BOC module with miniaturized coupling optics:



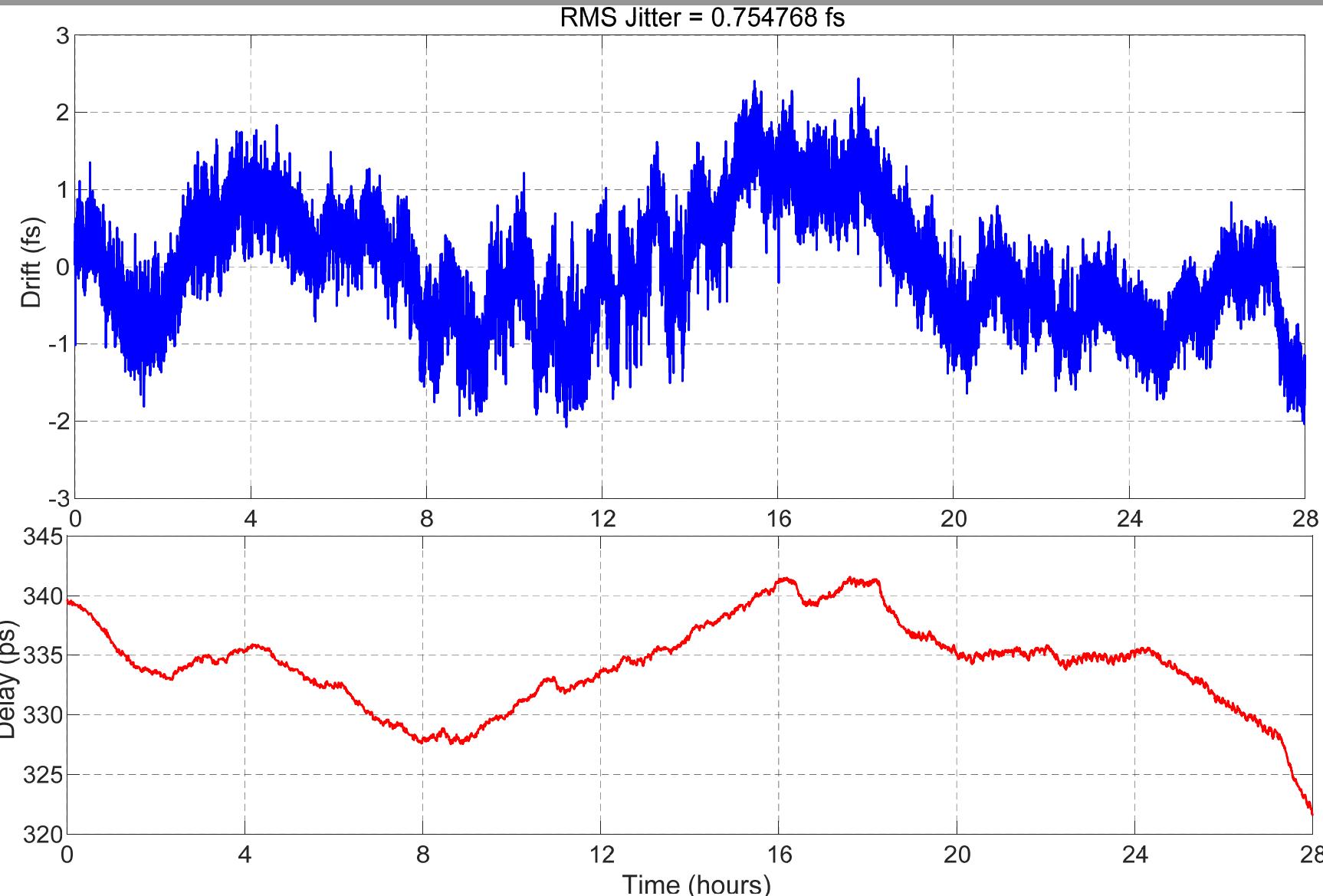
Input:
 $P_{avg} = 10 \text{ mW}$
 $f_{rep} = 80 \text{ MHz}$
 $T = 200 \text{ fs}$

With TIA
 $P_{avg} = 2 \text{ mW}$
 $f_{rep} = 80 \text{ MHz}$
 $T = 200 \text{ fs}$
 30mV/fs

- Next generation devices: KTP waveguides with integrated WDM couplers



First Results



Photonic ADCs

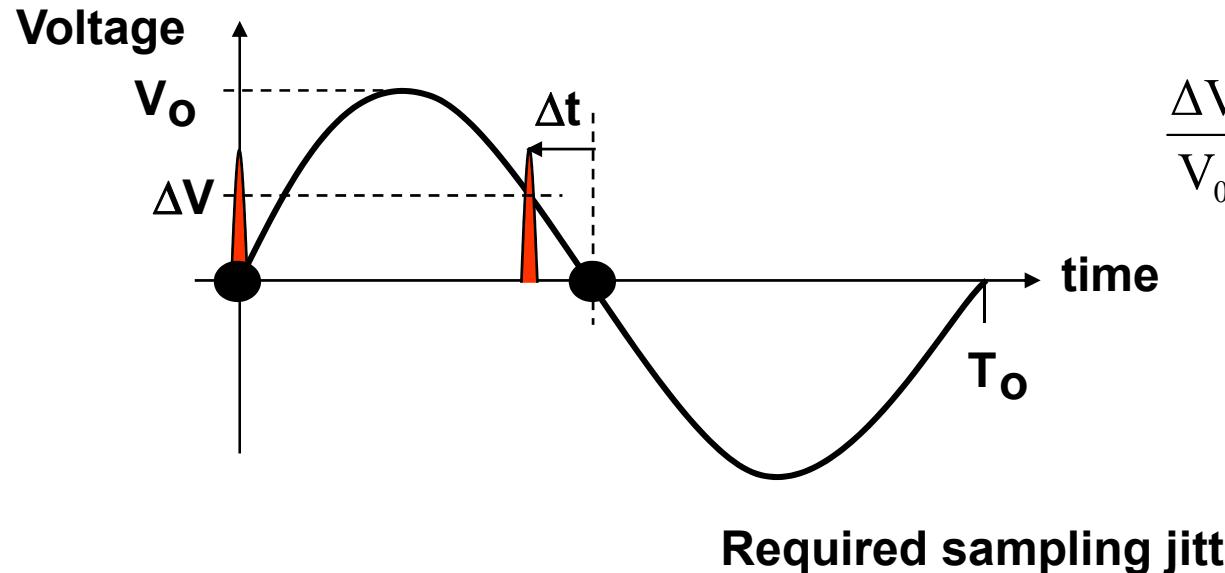
Why Photonically Assisted ADCs?

- Enables extremely low jitter (attoseconds) sampling and high speed information transmission and demultiplexing (Tbit/s)
- Electronics enables high-speed information processing (multi-Gbits/s), electrons directly interact
- Integration of both technologies enables maximum information acquisition, transport and processing on the multi-Tbit/s level, **low parasitics, easier cross channel calibration**
- Integration on a common silicon-platform enables → reduced size, cost and power at much increased performance

Applications

- Cognitive radio
- Wideband high resolution spectral detection
- Multisensor input, Radar
- High-speed optical communication systems
- RF test equipment
- Essentially eliminating analog microwave hardware downwards from the antenna for systems operating up to 50 GHz

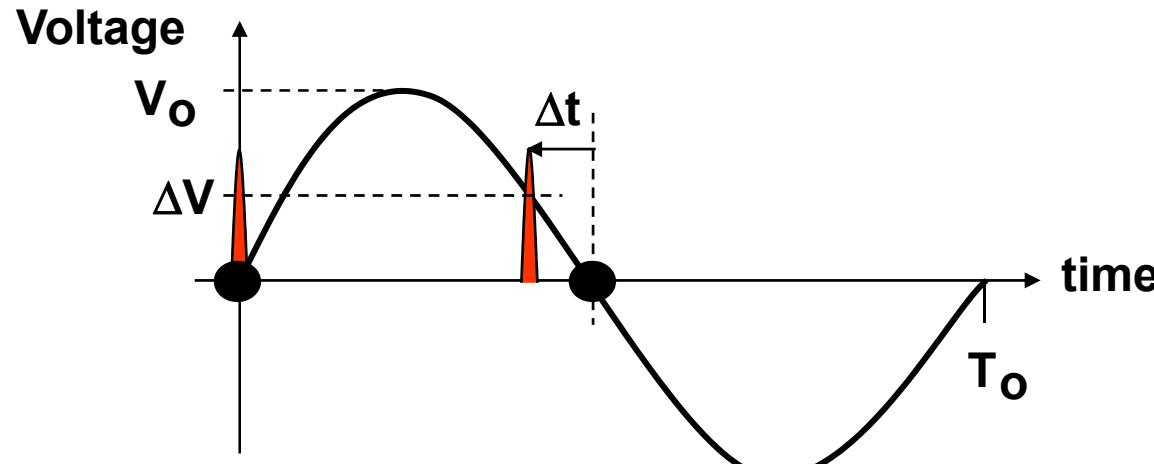
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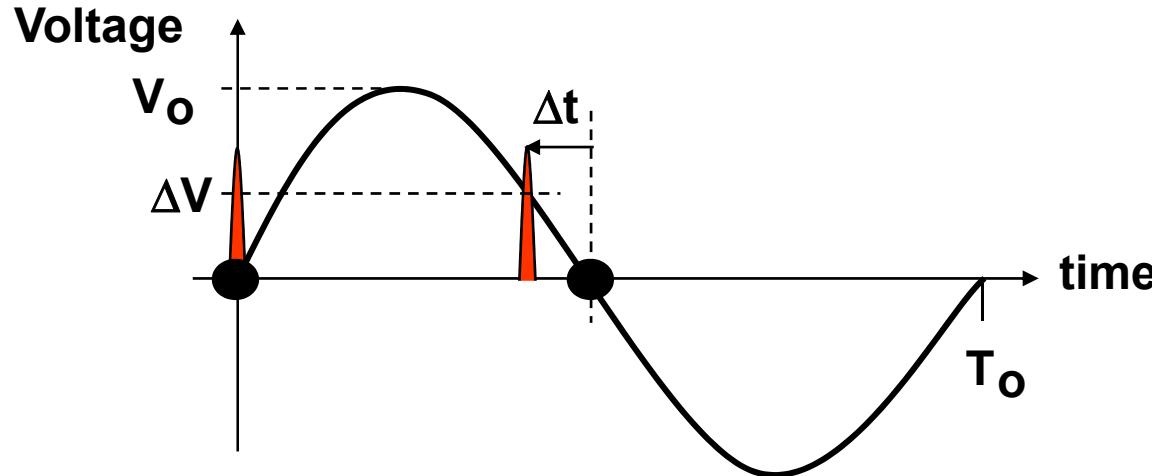
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Targeted resolution	Required sampling jitter	
	10 GHz	50 GHz
14-bit	0.5 fs	0.1 fs
12-bit	2 fs	0.4 fs
10-bit	9 fs	1.8 fs
8-bit	36 fs	7.2 fs
6-bit	144 fs	30 fs

State of the Art Electronic ADC and Beyond

Nortel Inc.: 40 GSa/s

CMOS

Y. M. Greshishchev, et al.

ISSCC, paper 21.7

(2010).

Fujitsu Inc.: 65 GSa/s

CMOS

<http://www.fujitsu.com>

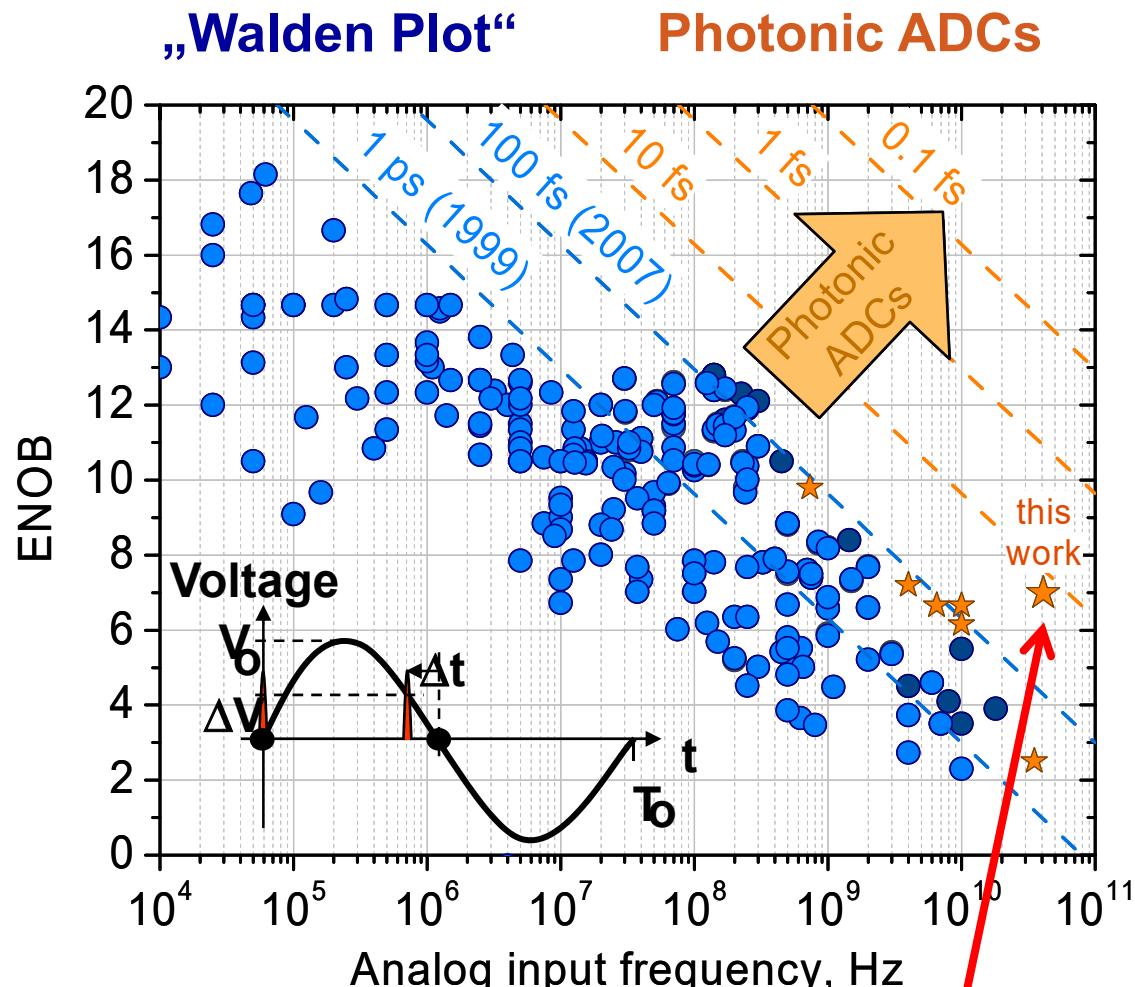
RPI: 40 GSa/s SiGe ADC

M. Chu, et al. IEEE J.

Solid

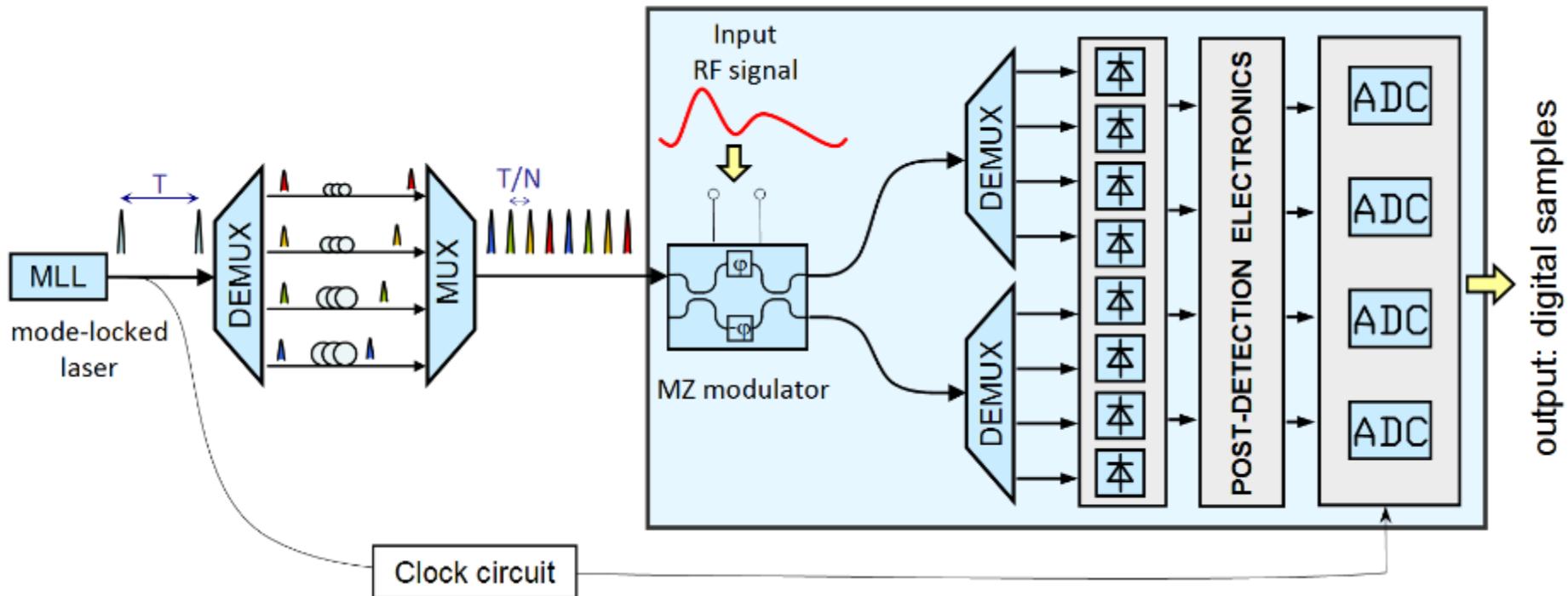
State Circuits 45, 380

(2010).



40.99 GHz, 7.0 ENOB, 16 fs jitter

Wavelength Multiplexed Optical Sampling



- Effective sampling rate = laser rep rate ($1/T$) \times number of multiplexed channels (N)
- Sampling jitter is set by MLL timing jitter
- Digitization is performed in electronic domain
- Down counting by WDM

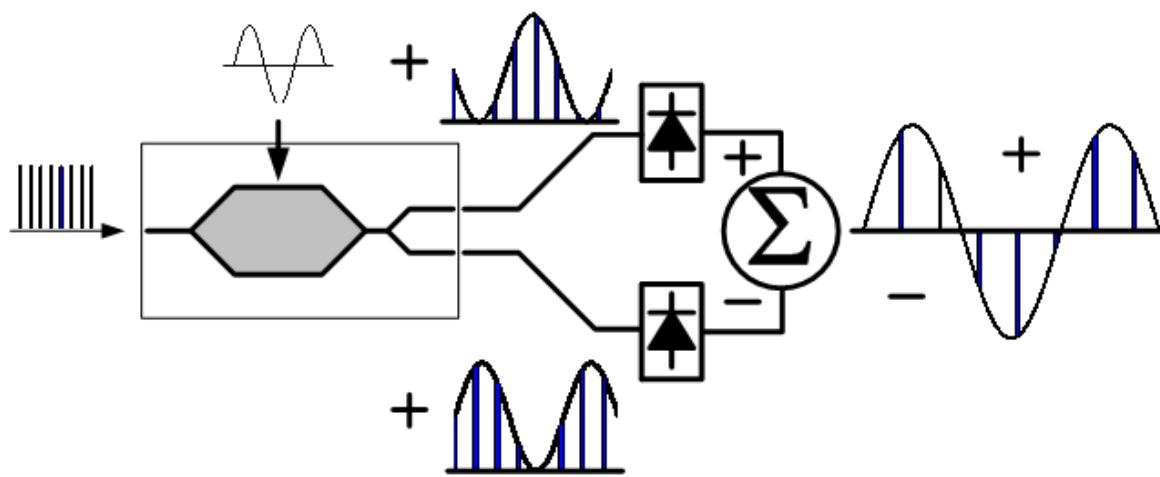
T. Clark, "Time and wavelength interleaved phot. Sampler", PTL 99.

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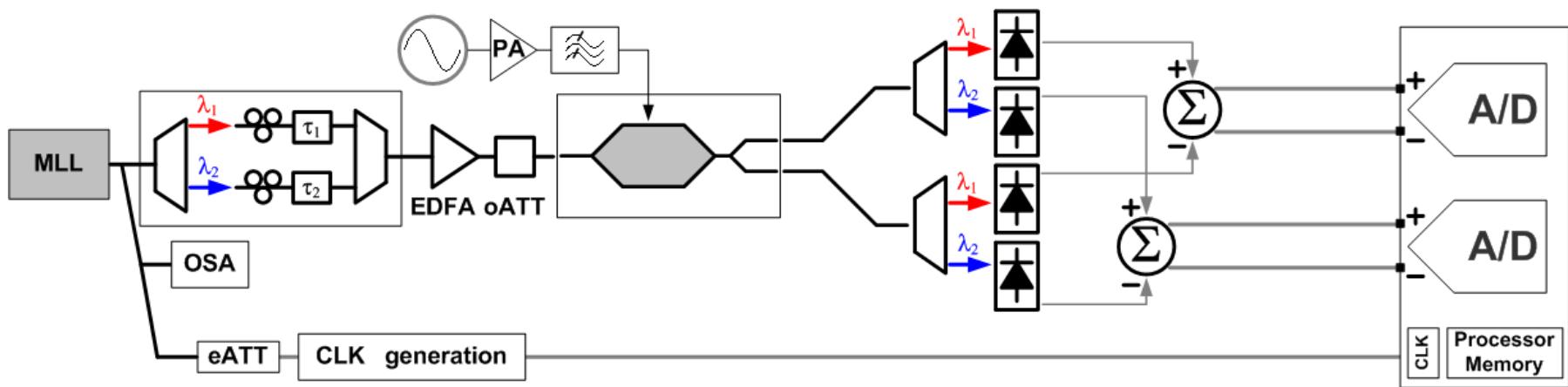
Eliminate aperture jitter,
demultiplex to lower rate channels

Balanced Detection – Enhanced S/N



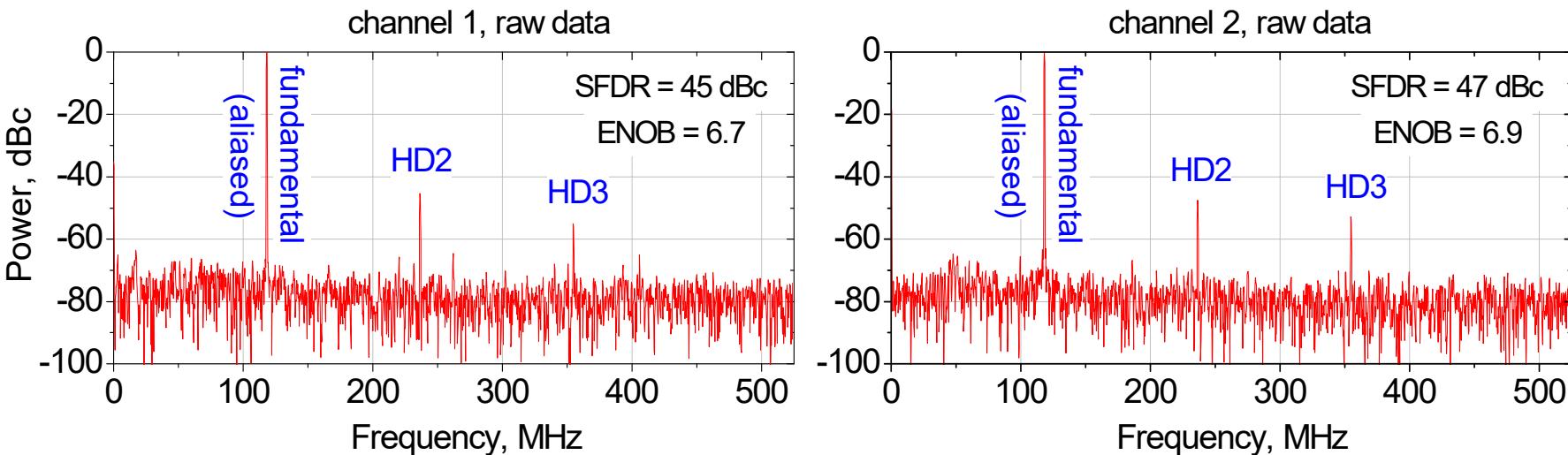
- Outputs of MZ intensity modulator are 180° out-of-phase
- Single photodetector can only generate a unipolar (positive) electrical signal
- Balanced detection generates a bipolar signal
- Voltage (x2) → Signal Power ($\uparrow 6$ dB)

Two Wavelength Channel COTS System



- High performance ADCs: National Semiconductors
1 GSa/s, 9 ENOB
- EO-Space 40 GHz bandwidth modulator
- MLL rep rate = 1.048 GHz → Sampling rate = 2.1 Gsa/s
- RF freq = 40.99 GHz

Results: RF Spectra – individual channels



$$y_1 = \arcsin(\alpha_1 + \beta_1 \cdot x_1) \quad \text{Wavelength #1}$$

$$y_2 = \arcsin(\alpha_2 + \beta_2 \cdot x_2) \quad \text{Wavelength #2}$$

$$\alpha \approx \frac{1}{100} (\beta \cdot x)$$

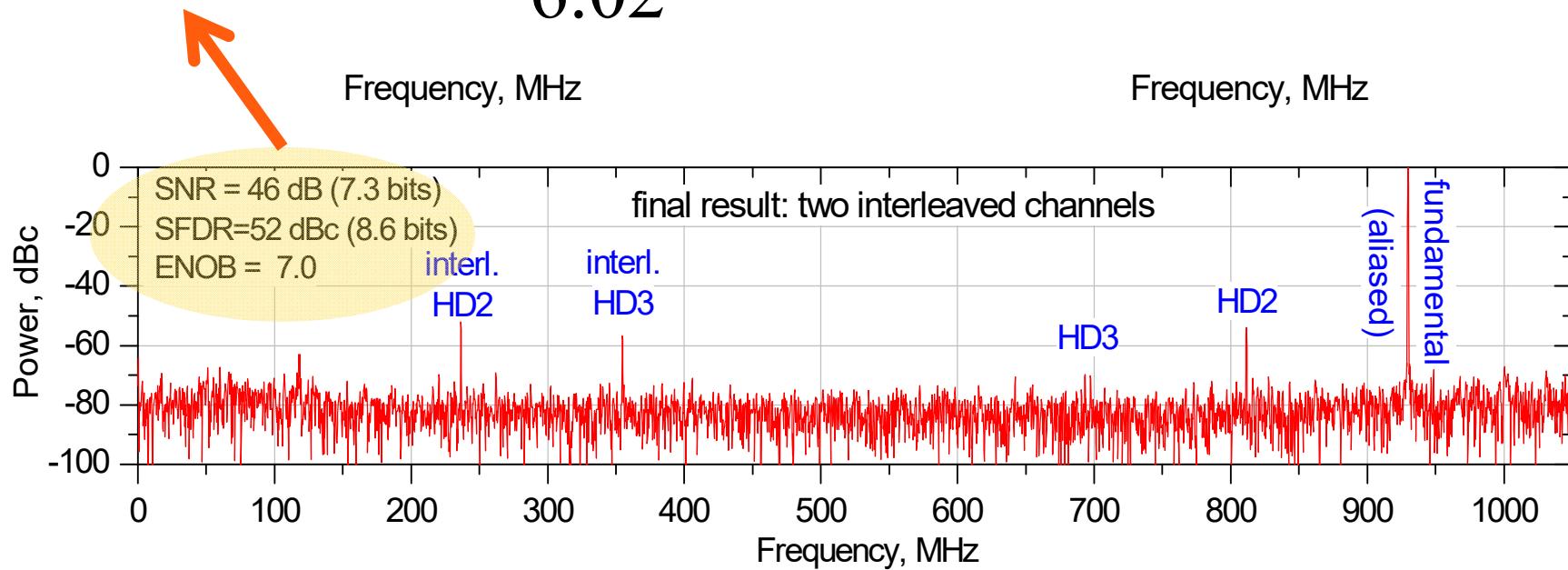
$$\max(y_1) - \min(y_1) = \max(y_2) - \min(y_2) \quad \text{Constraint}$$

- x : outputs of the balanced photoreceivers / y : RF signals

Results: Aggregate RF Spectra

- Noise limited
- Aperture jitter: 15 fs
- $\text{SNDR} = \text{Signal(dB)} - \text{Noise(dB)} - \text{Total-Distortion(dB)}$

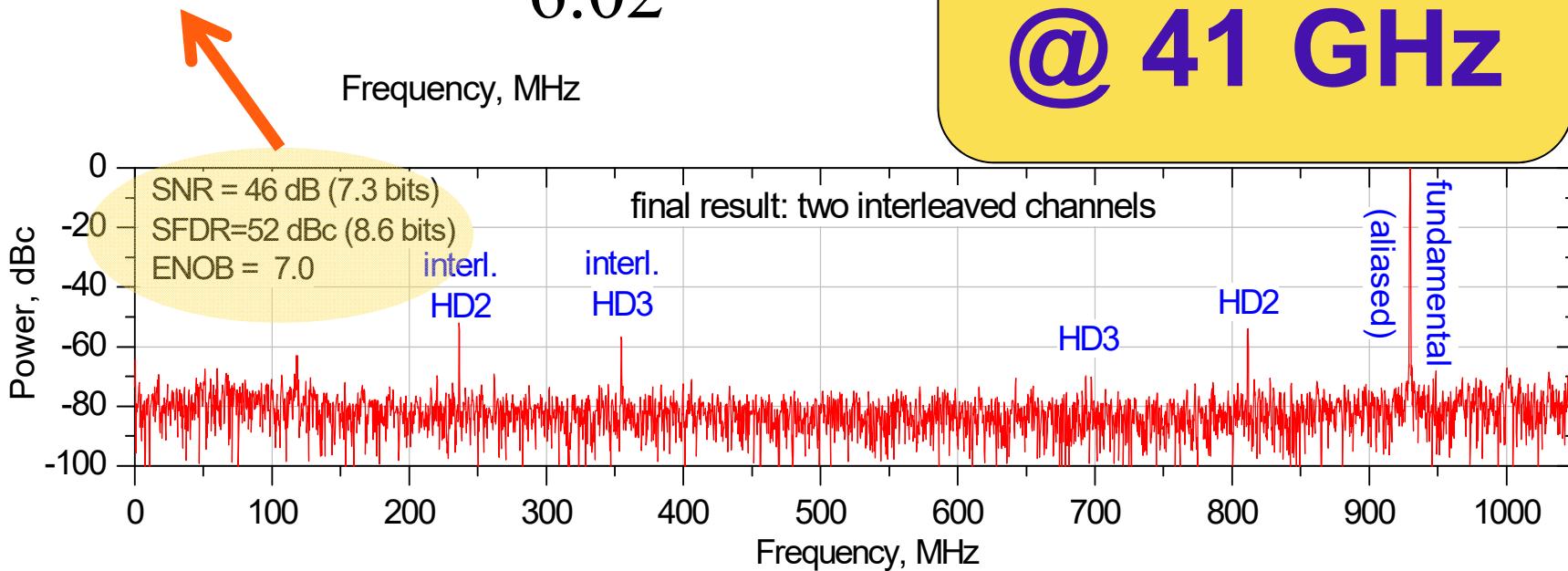
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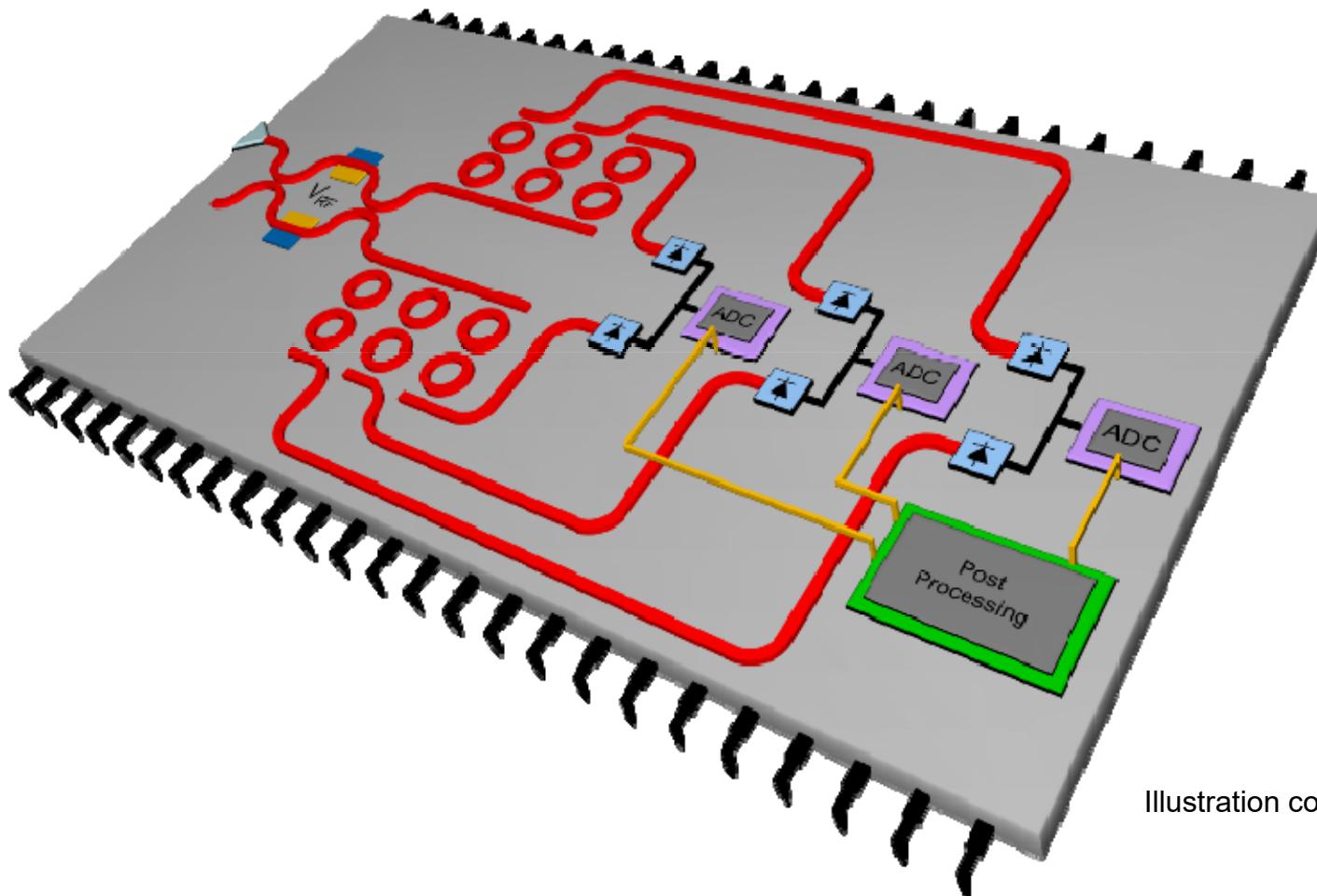


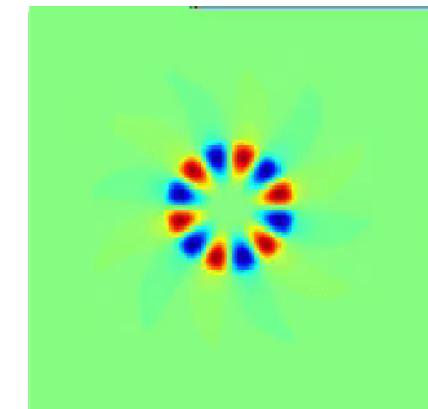
Illustration courtesy of Marcus Dahlem

Khilo et al., Opt. Exp. (20) 4454 (2012)

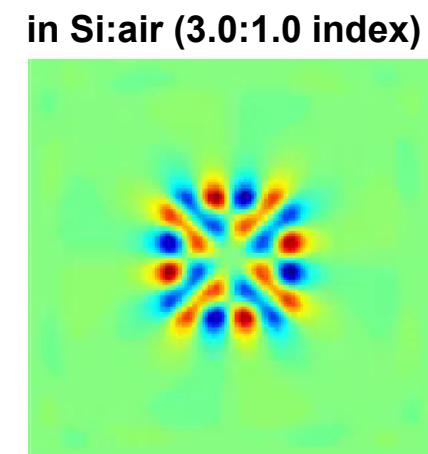
High Index Contrast Integrated Photonics

- Optical resonators - no good conductors
 - optical confinement by index discontinuity
- High Index Contrast: ~50-200% (conventional <2%)
 - Material is Si:SiN:SiO₂:air = 3.5:2.2:1.45:1.0
 - Dimensions: waveguide <1 μm, ring resonators <15 μm

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Dense integration small size, efficient interaction with carriers	Fiber-chip coupling Polarization sensitivity (res. frequency, coupling)



Traveling-wave resonator

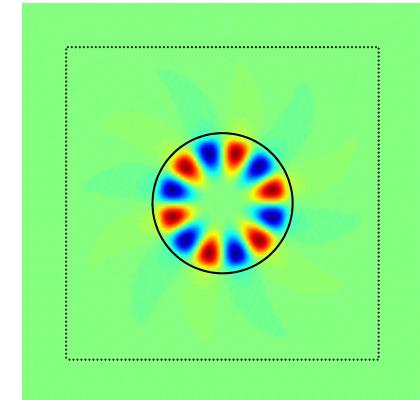


Standing-wave resonator

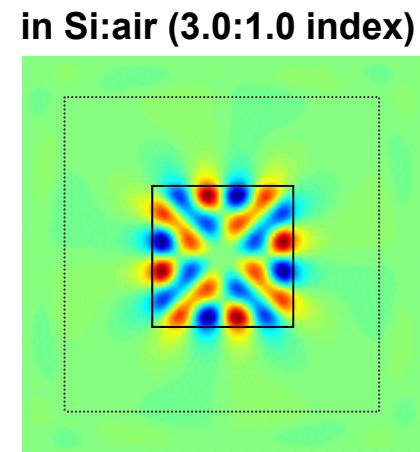
Silicon Photonics

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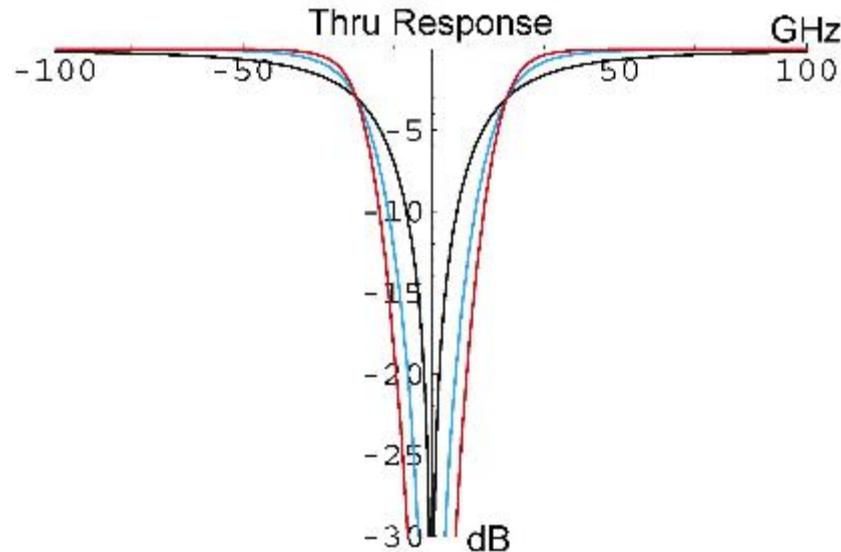
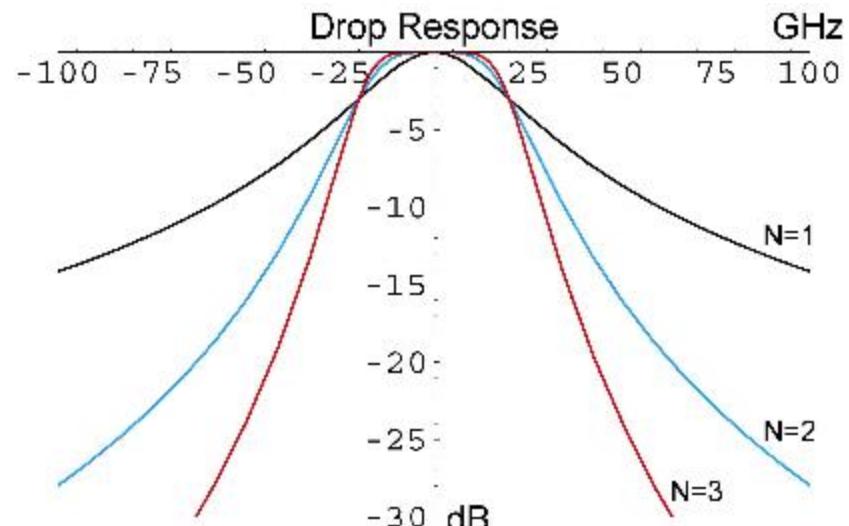
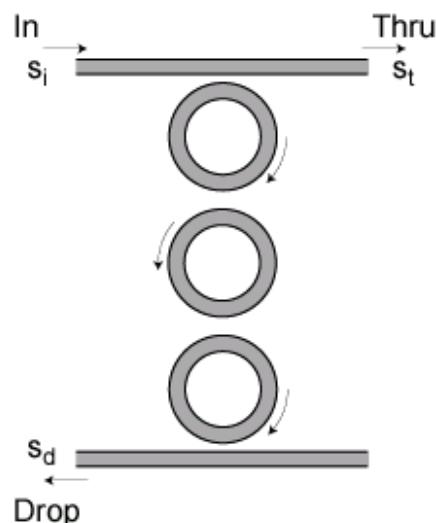
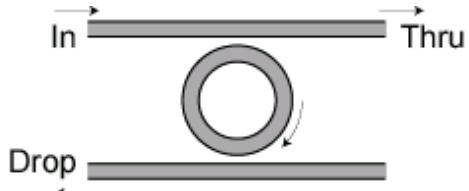


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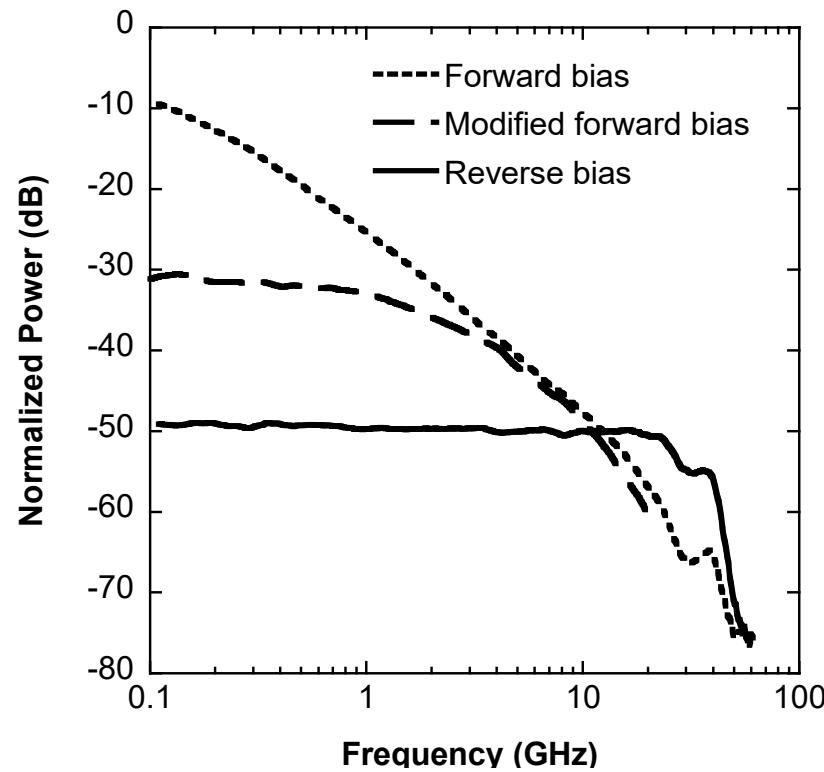
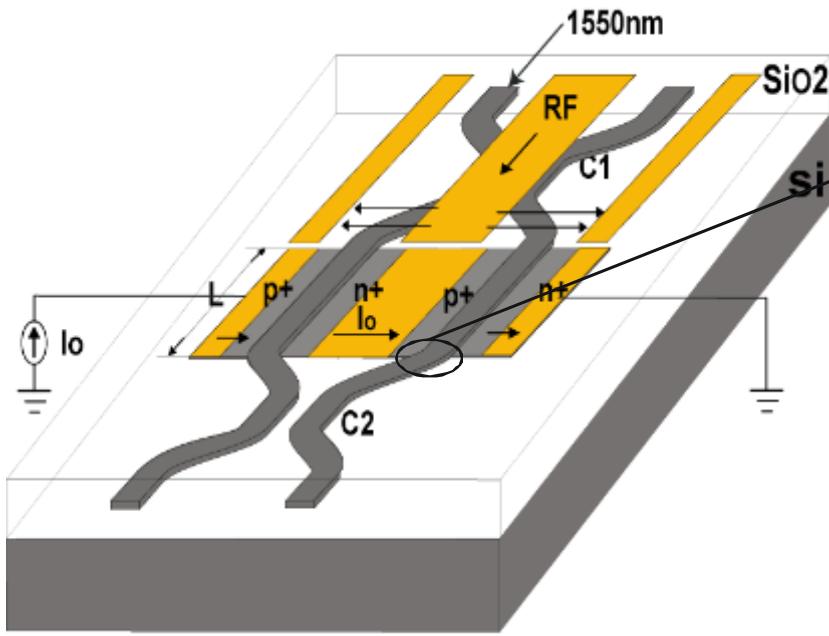


Standing-wave resonator

Microring Resonator Filters



High-Speed Si-Modulator



Forward or reversed biased PIN-sections

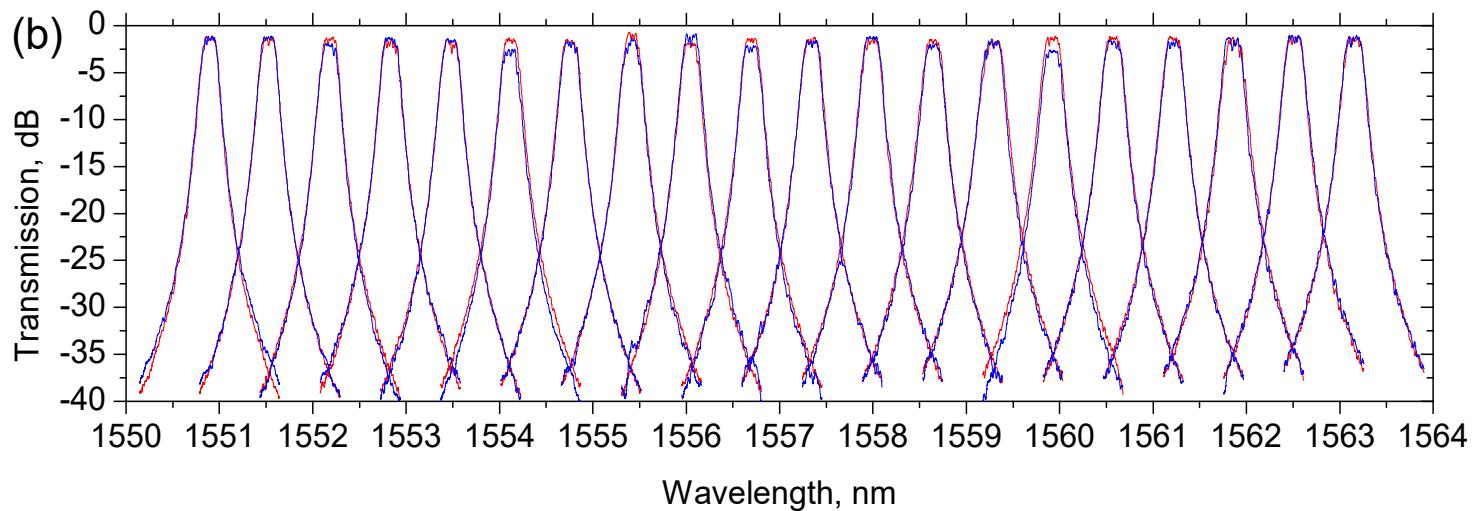
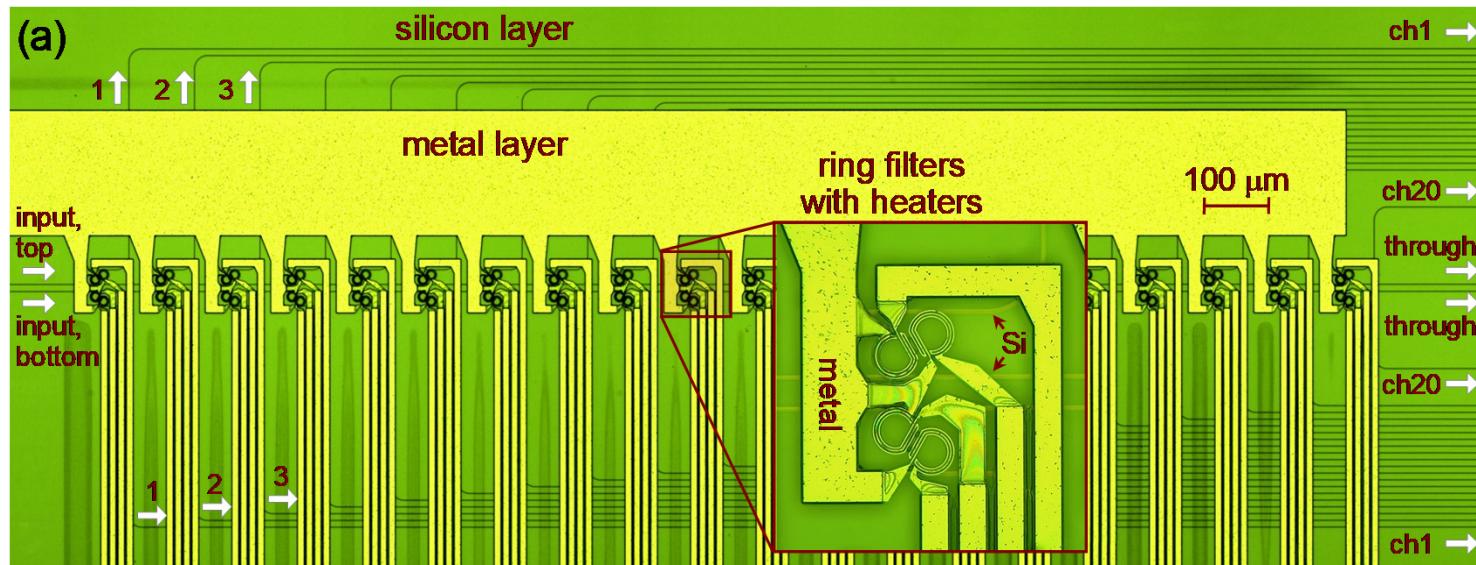
Optimized doping profile:

---> low loss, high-speed > 20GHz

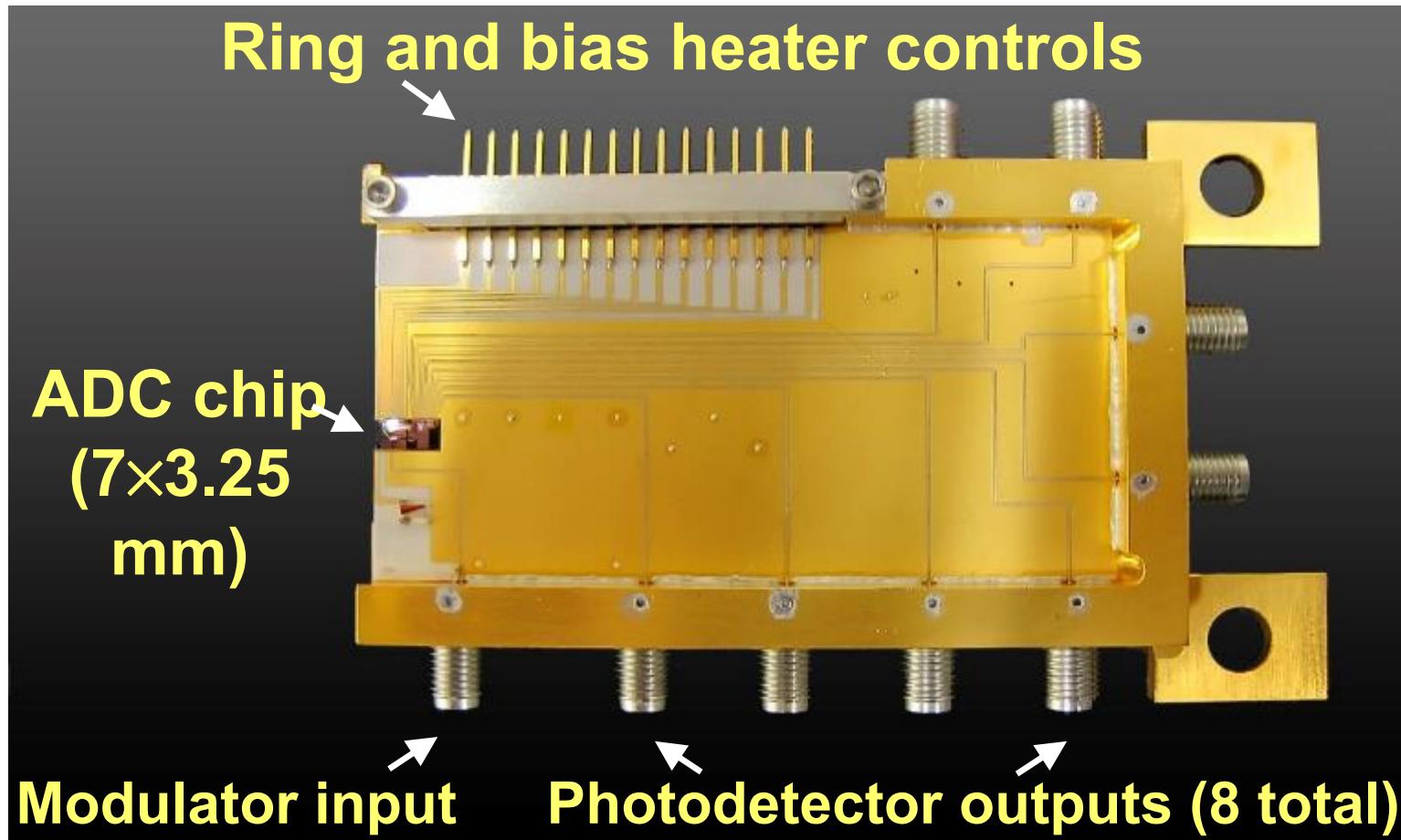
Typical insertion loss: 3-5 dB

$V_{\pi}L \sim 0.5 \text{ V}\cdot\text{cm}$

20-Channel Silicon Photonic Filter Bank



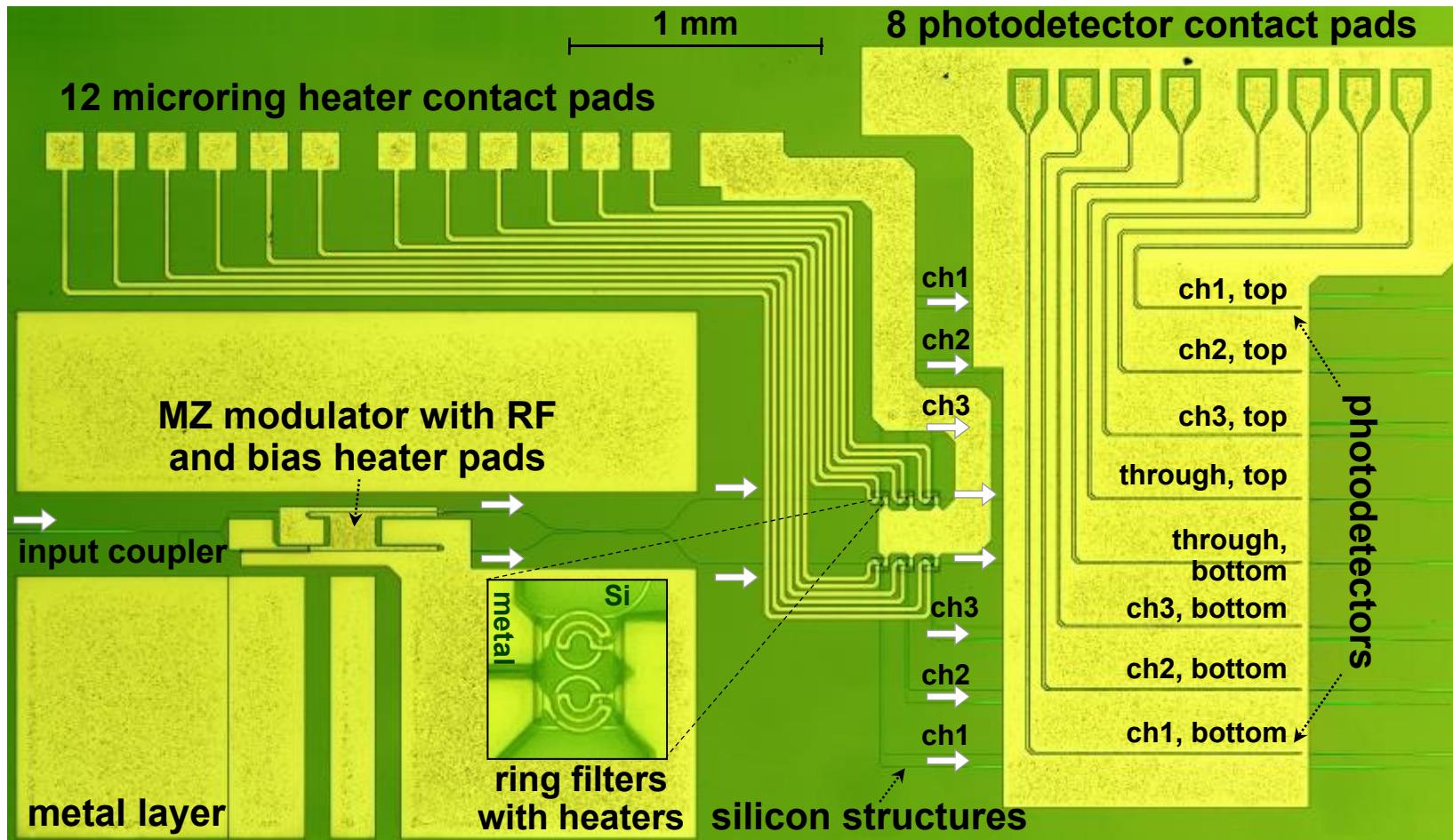
Integrated Silicon Photonic ADC



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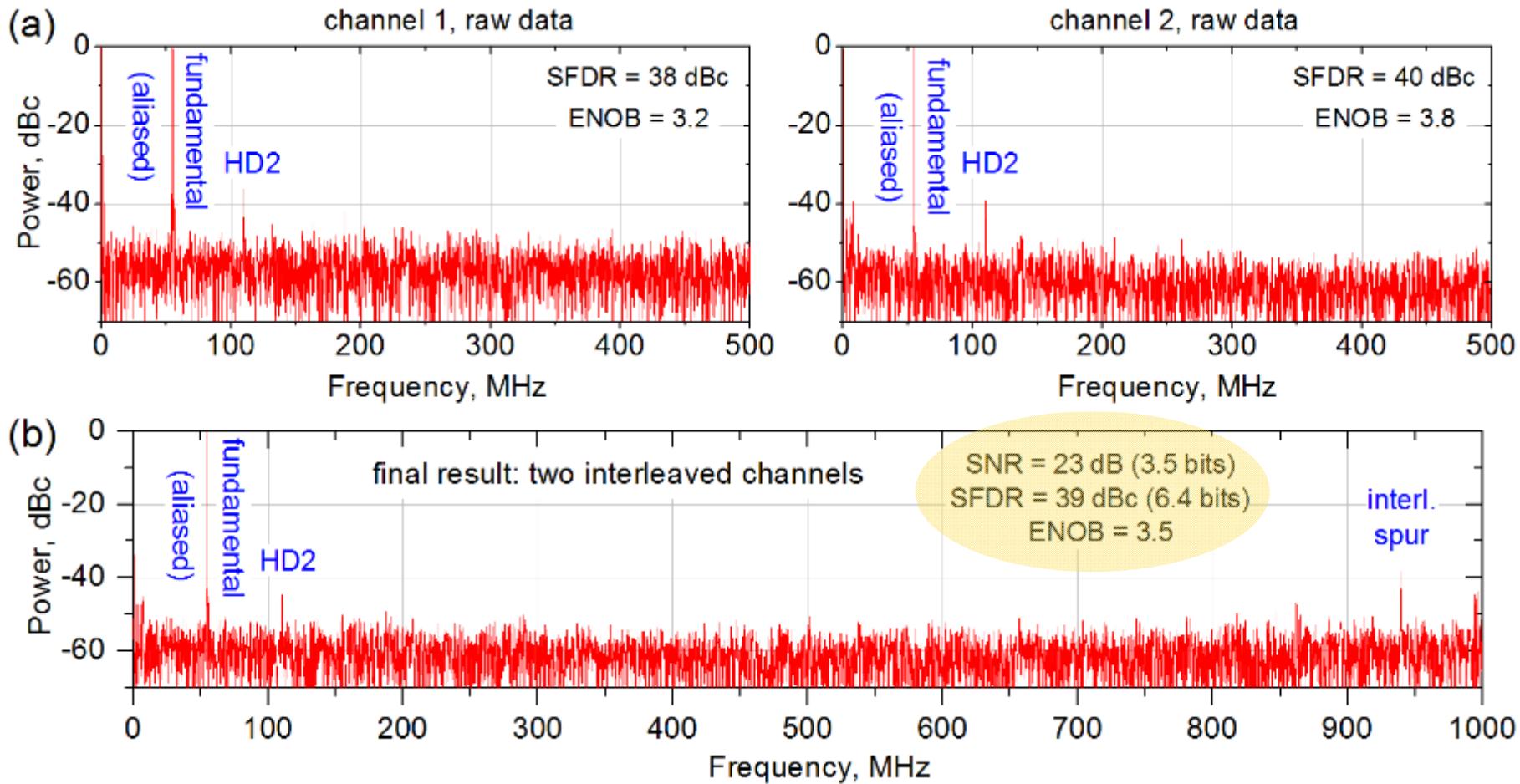
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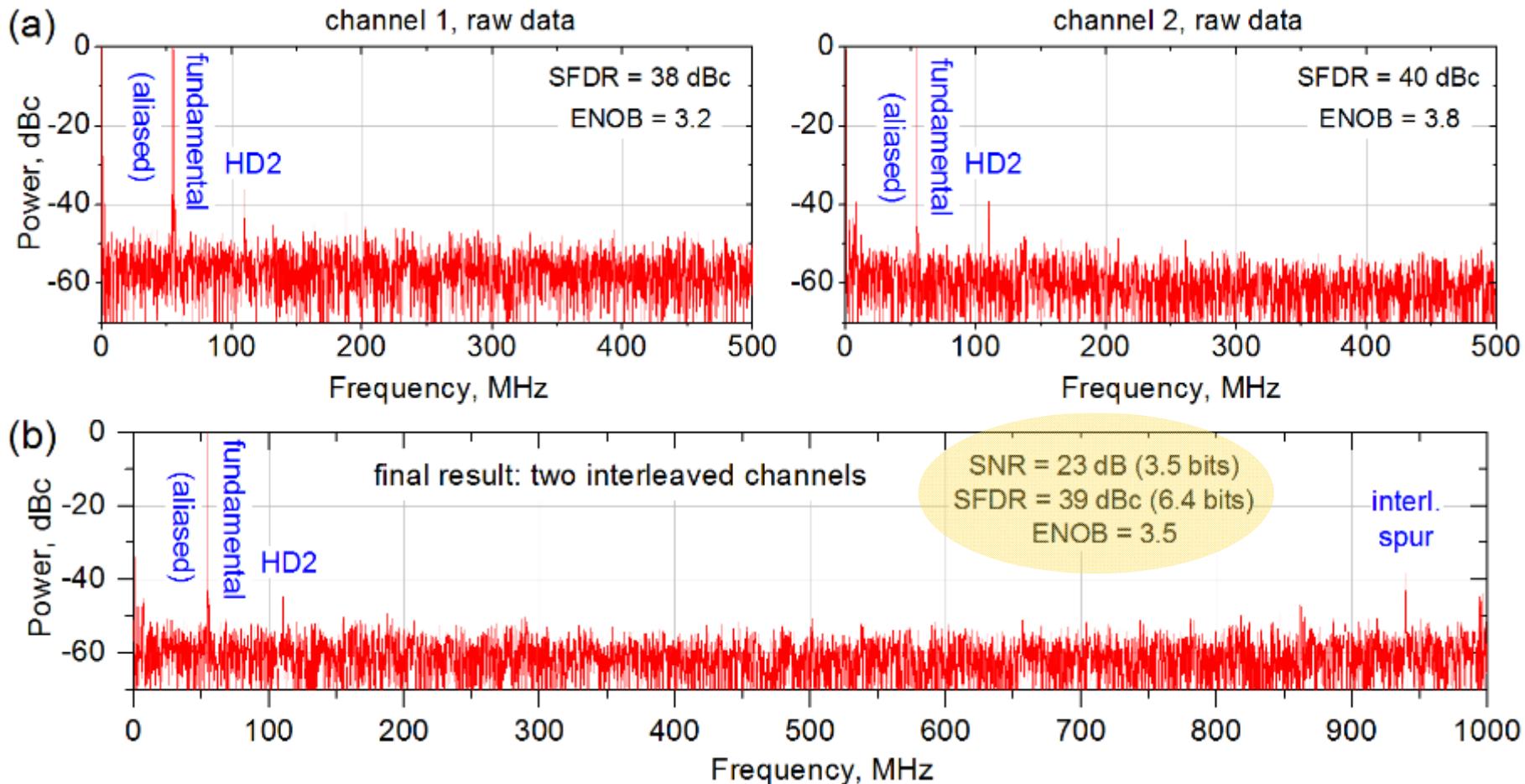
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- 2 wavelength channels

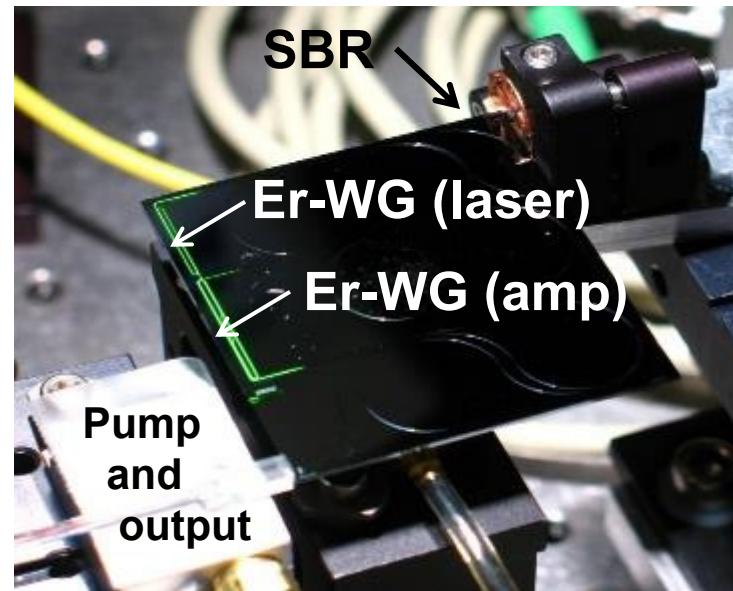
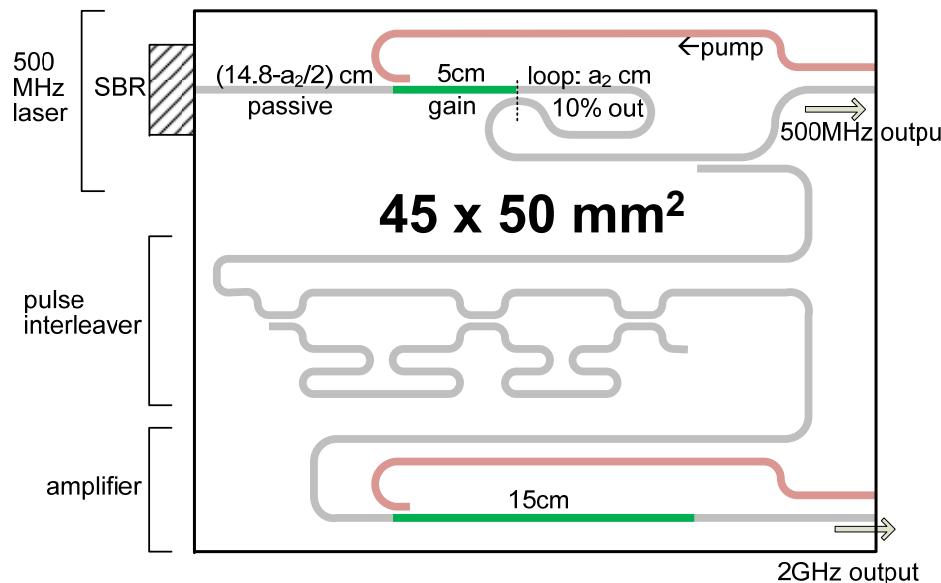
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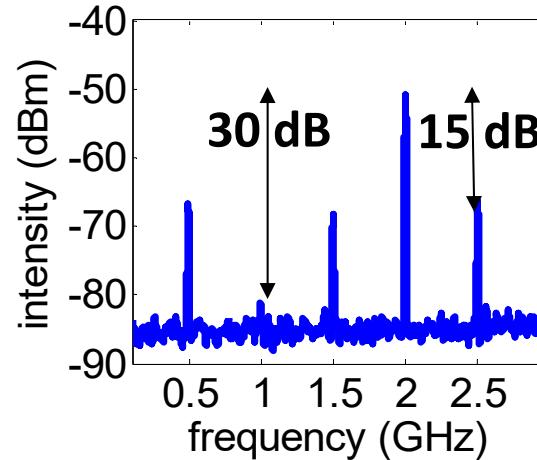
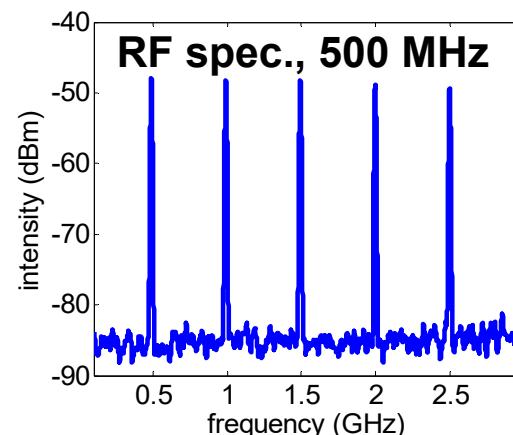
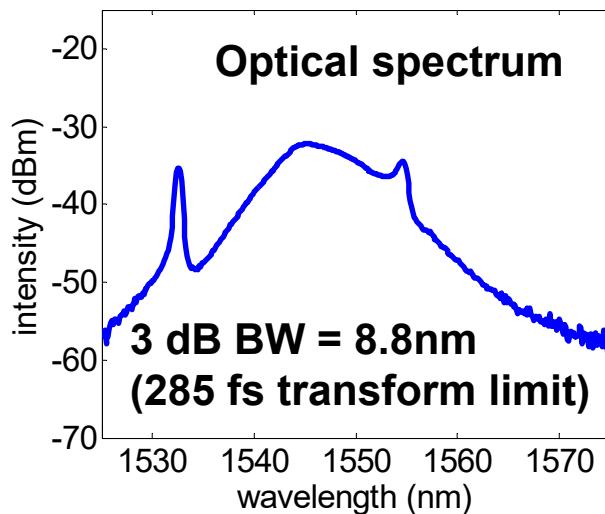
- 2 wavelength channels

3.5 ENOB
@ 1 GHz

2 GHz integrated waveguide lasers



Waveguide laser setup



Chip-Scale Electronic-Photonic Synthesizer (CS-EPS)

Michael Watts (Principal Investigator),
Franz Kärtner, & Erich Ippen, MIT

Si photonic, CW and mode-locked laser/pulse generator, and electronics design and test



Vladimir Stojanovic, UC Berkeley

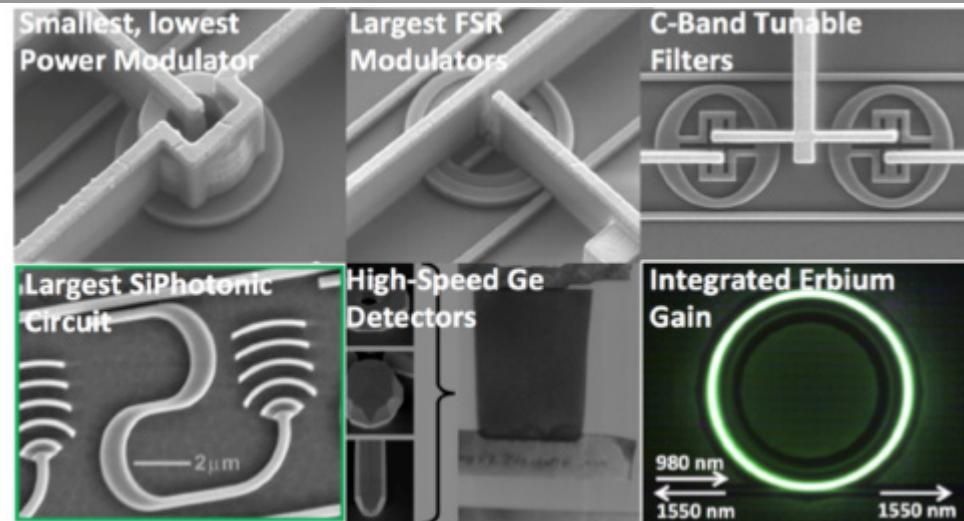
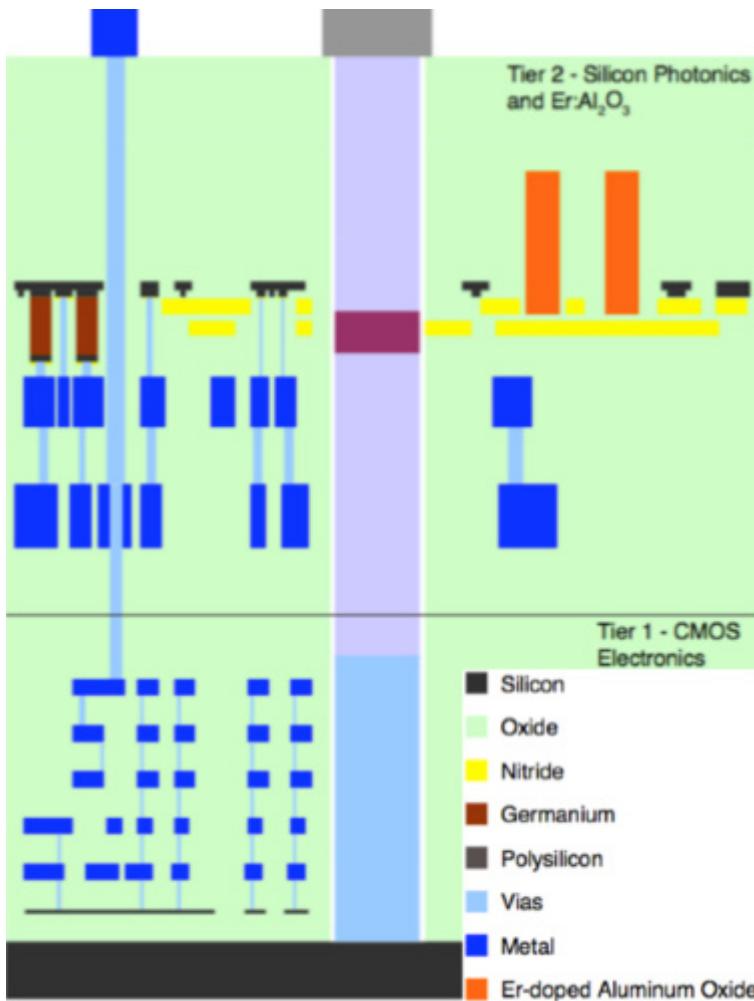
Electronic-photonic system modeling & CMOS loop and component design



Douglas Coolbaugh, SUNY-CNSE

CMOS and silicon photonics fabrication

MIT 3D Electronic-Photonic Integration Platform



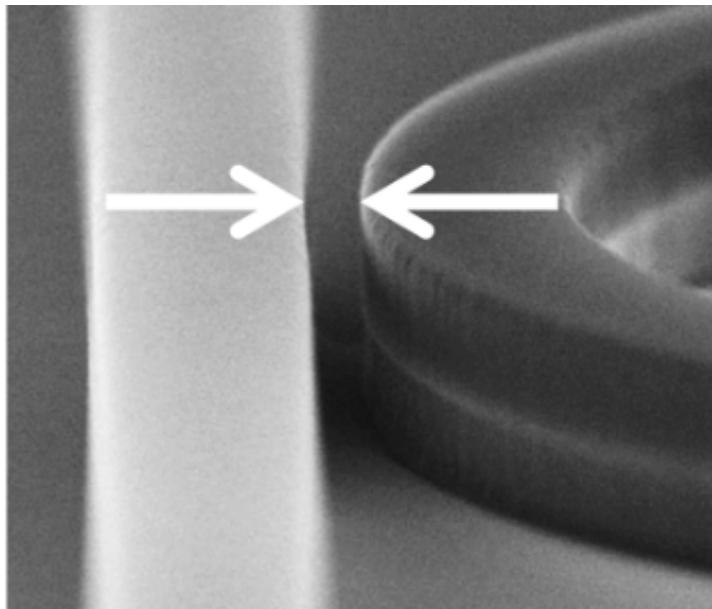
Comprehensive Device Library:

- Low loss Si, SiN waveguides
- Tunable micro-ring filters
- Ultralow power modulators, phase shifters, switches, tuners
- High speed Ge-detectors
- Low loss Si – SiN – transitions
- Low loss fiber-to-chip couplers
- Erbium/Thulium on-chip gain, lasers
- Largest Si-photonic circ. (phased array)

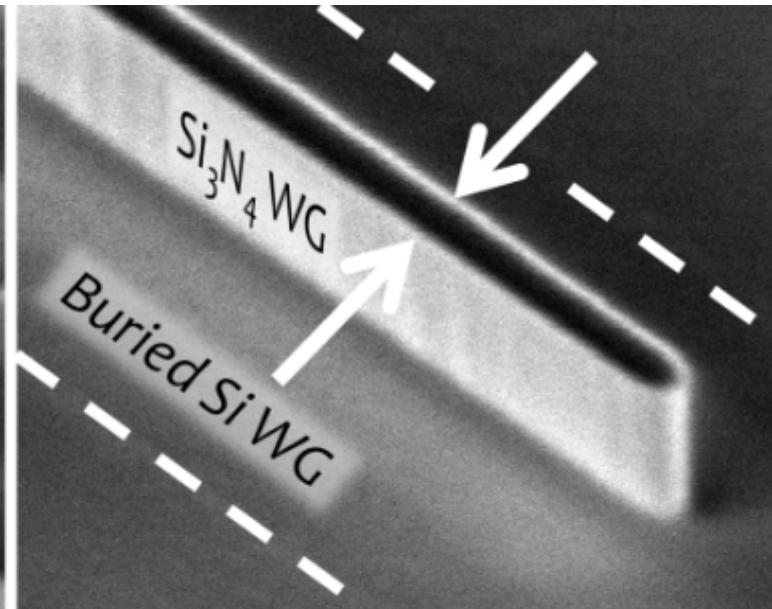
300mm Wafer-Scale Fabrication Capability

Typical Resolution w/ 193mm Immersion, Chrome-on-Glass:

- Current Resolution: 95nm lines and spaces without proximity corrections or phase shift masks.
- CNSE's Capability: 20nm lines and spaces, but feel the effort below 65nm is too great to be justified for SiPhotonics



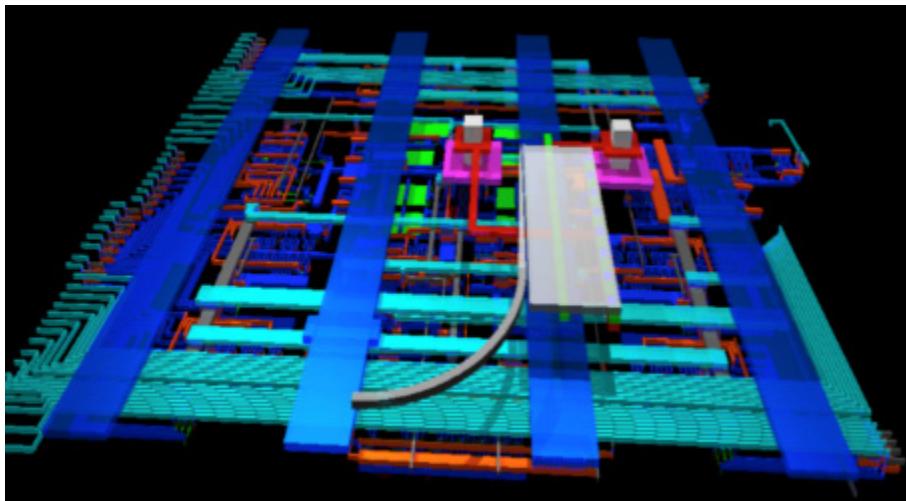
95nm gap in Si.



95nm Si₃N₄ taper on Si waveguide.

Modeling: Library-Based Design in CADENCE

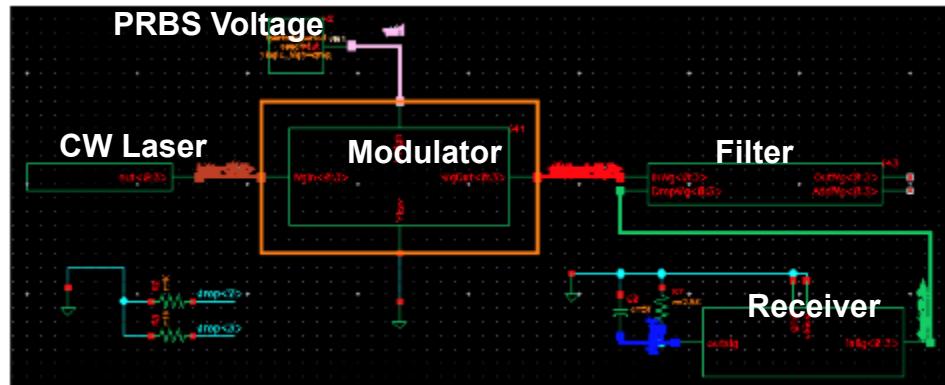
Receiver



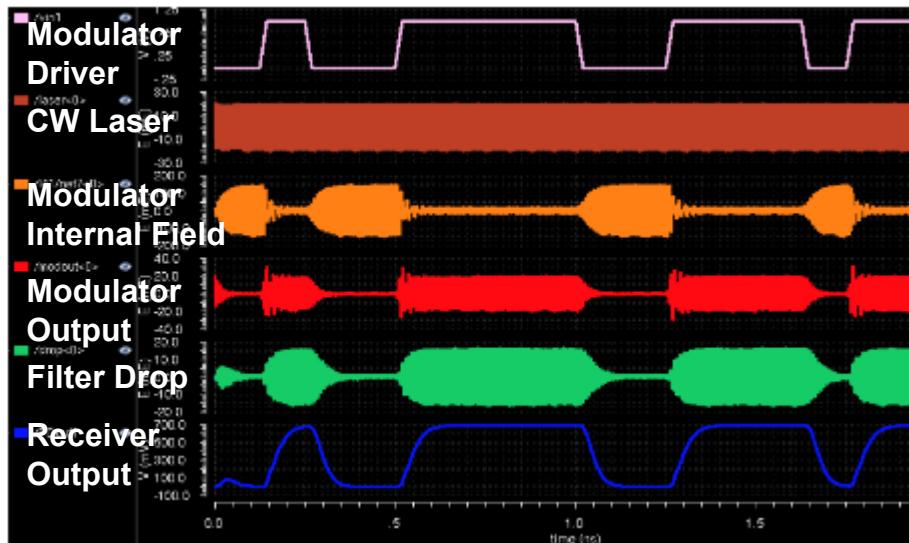
Electronic-Photonic Co-Design:

- CADENCE: All 55 CMOS, Photonic and 3D via layers
- VerilogA: Able to fully simulate both electronic and photonic signals for system output

Verilog A Schematic: Communication Link



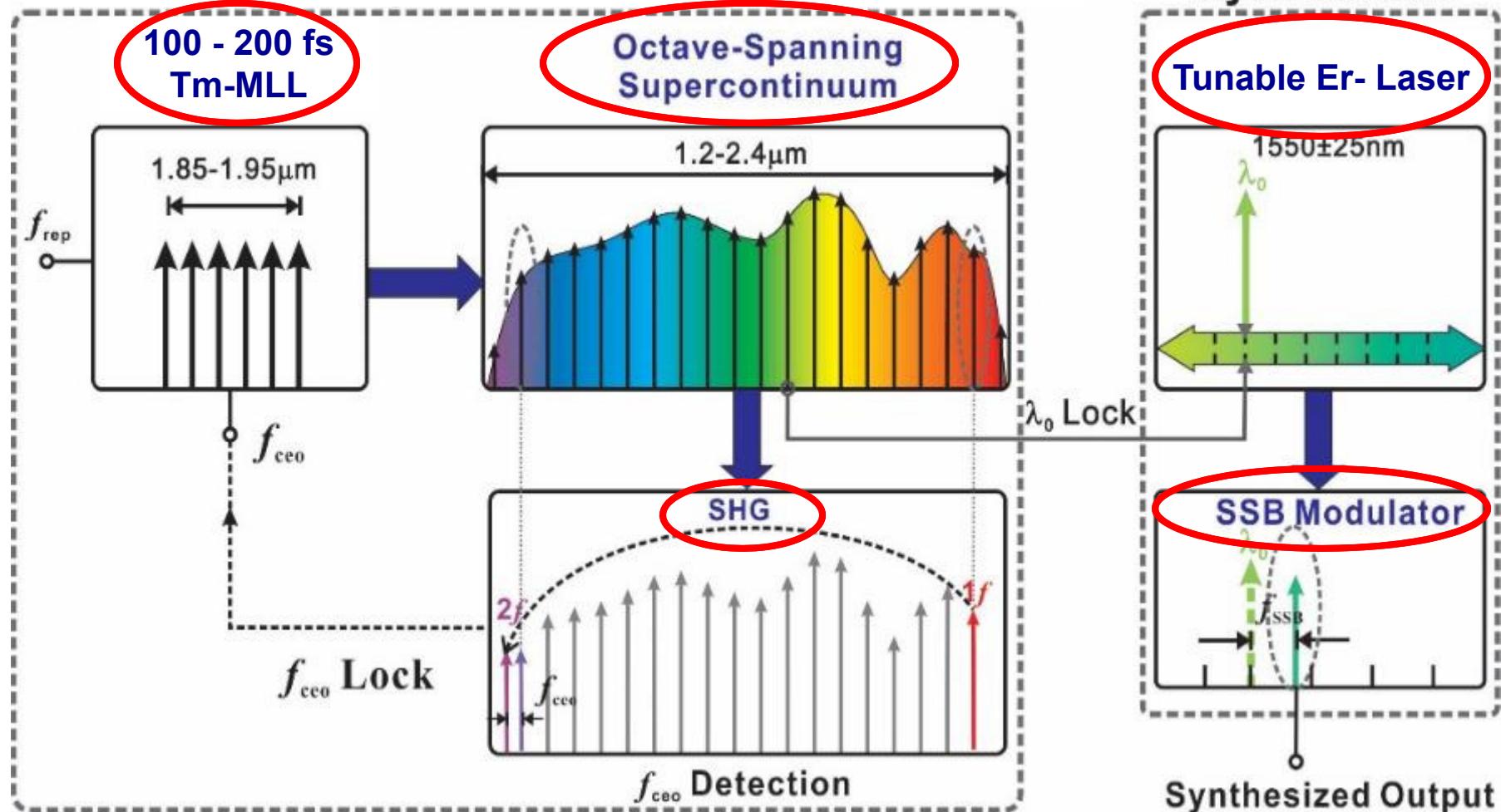
Verilog A Output: Communication Link



C. Sorace-Agaskar, J. Leu, M. R. Watts, and V. Stojanovic, “Electro-Optical Co-Simulation for Integrated CMOS Photonic Circuits with VerilogA,” Opt. Express, vol. 23, no. 21 (2015).

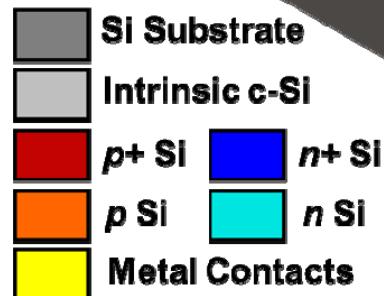
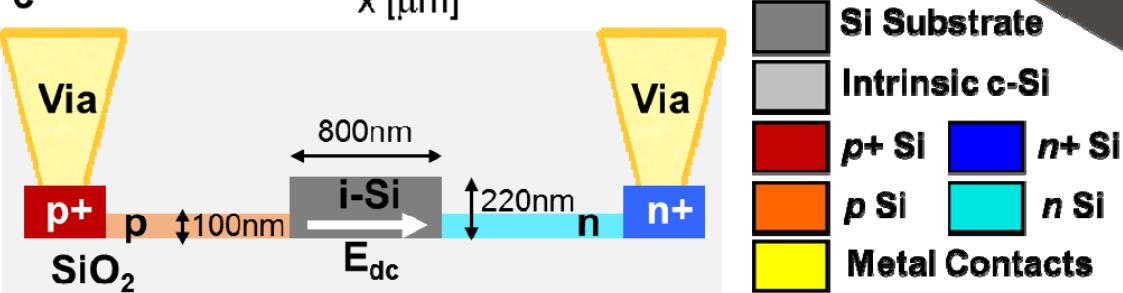
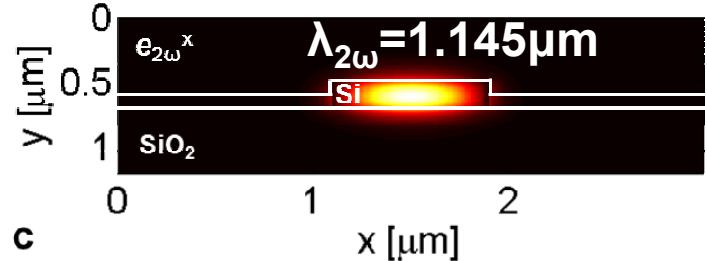
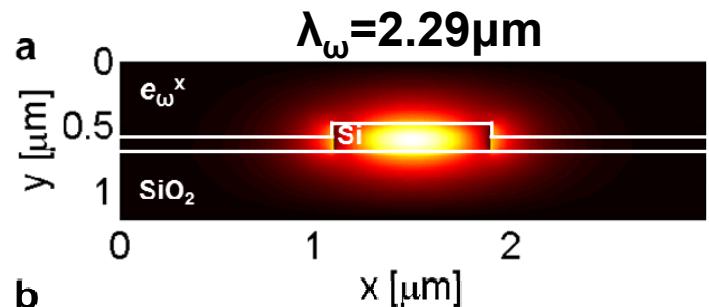
DARPA – DODOS Program

Femtosecond Laser Frequency Comb Generator



T. Hänsch & J. Hall, Nobel Prize 2005

Second Harmonic Generation in Silicon by EFISH



- Quasi-phase-matching as an alternative

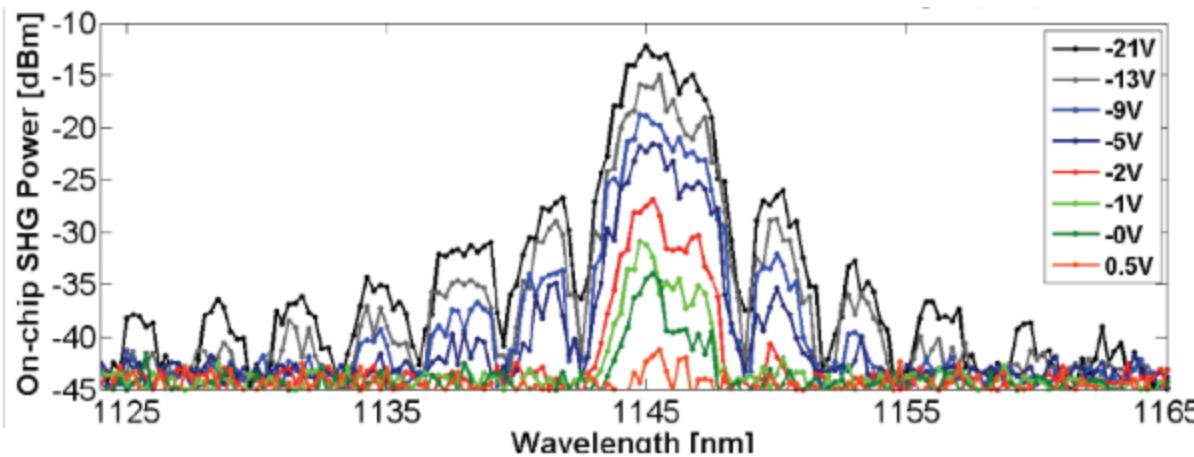
$$\bar{\chi}_{\omega\omega}^{(2)} = 3\chi_{\omega\omega\omega}^{(3)} \sqrt{v_i} \int_{v_i} e_{2\omega}^* c_n^* c_n^* E_{\omega\omega}^* dv$$

- Field induced X^2 in silicon \rightarrow break the crystalline symmetry

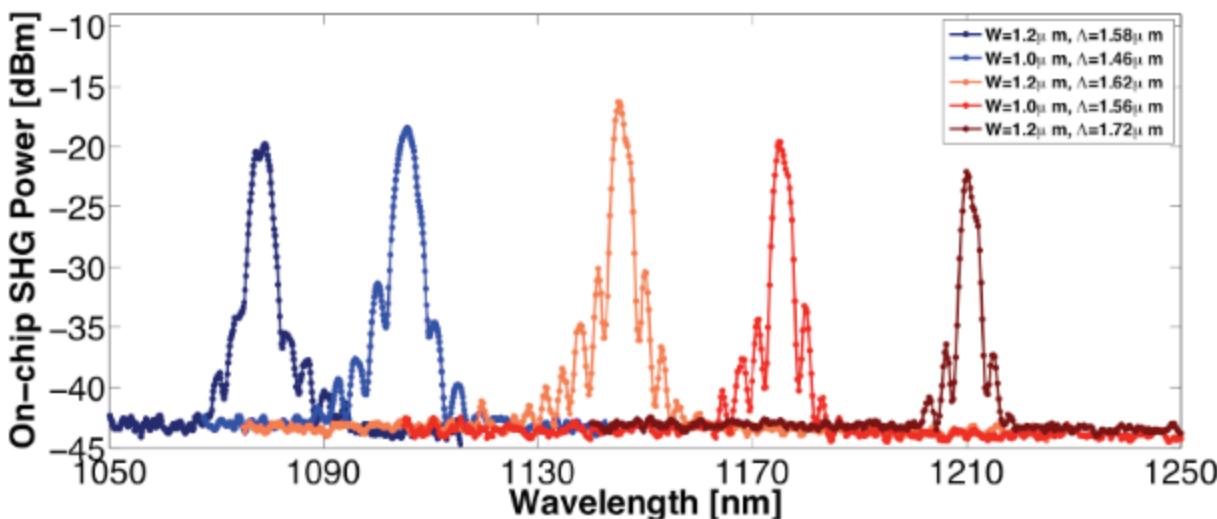
Large Overlap

Frequency Doubler

- Broadband Second Harmonic Generation in Silicon demonstrated

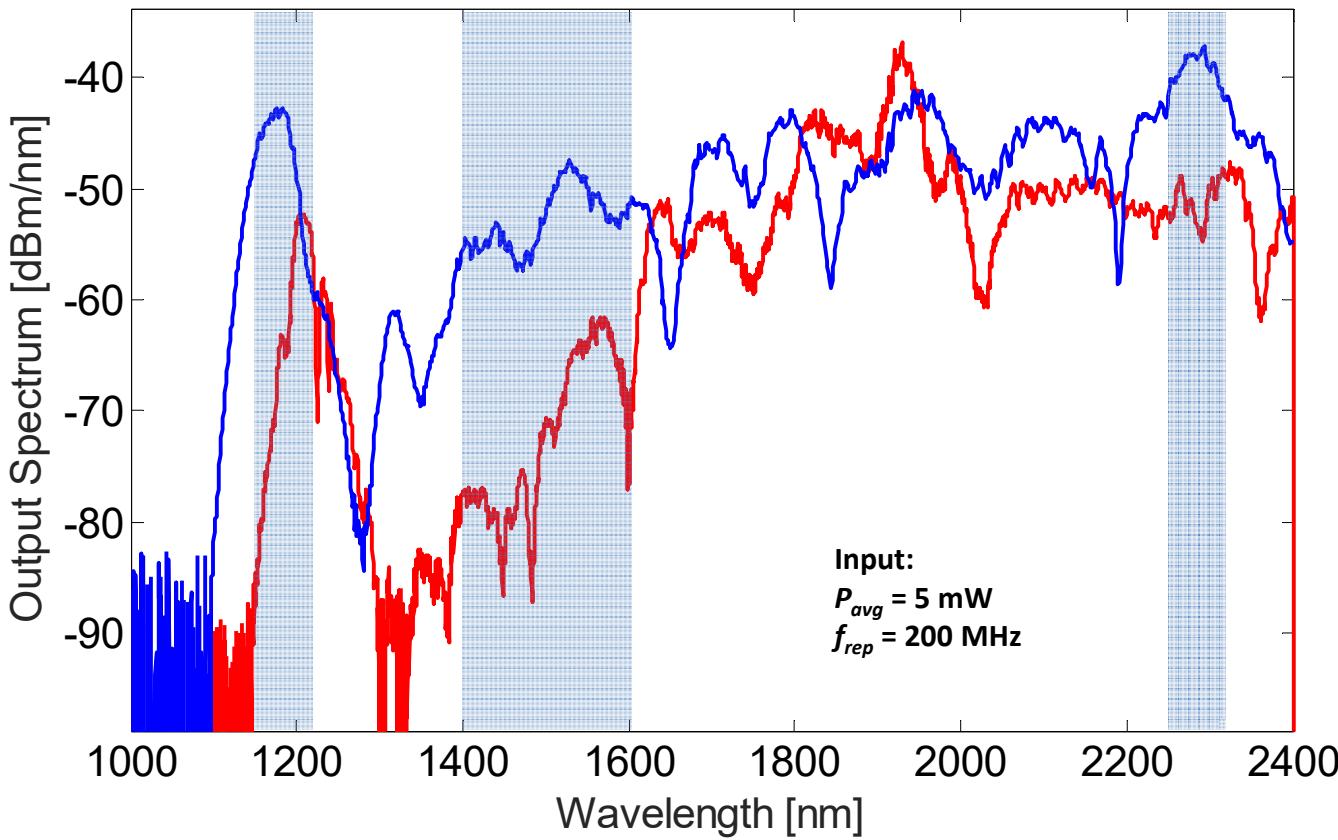


- 13%/W conversion efficiency measured with CW and pulsed input sources

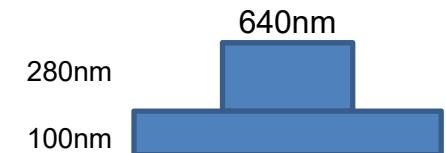


- Devices can be optimized for a wide variety of wavelengths by adjusting the phase-matching period

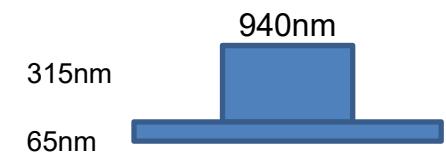
Supercontinuum Generation



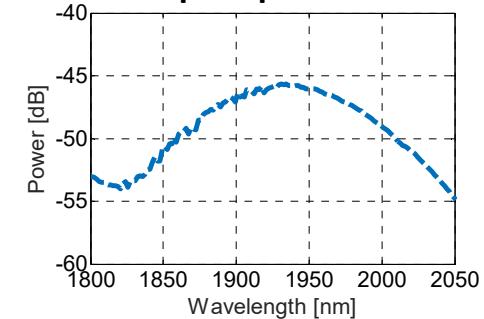
Phase 1 Design (red):



Phase 1.5 Design (blue):

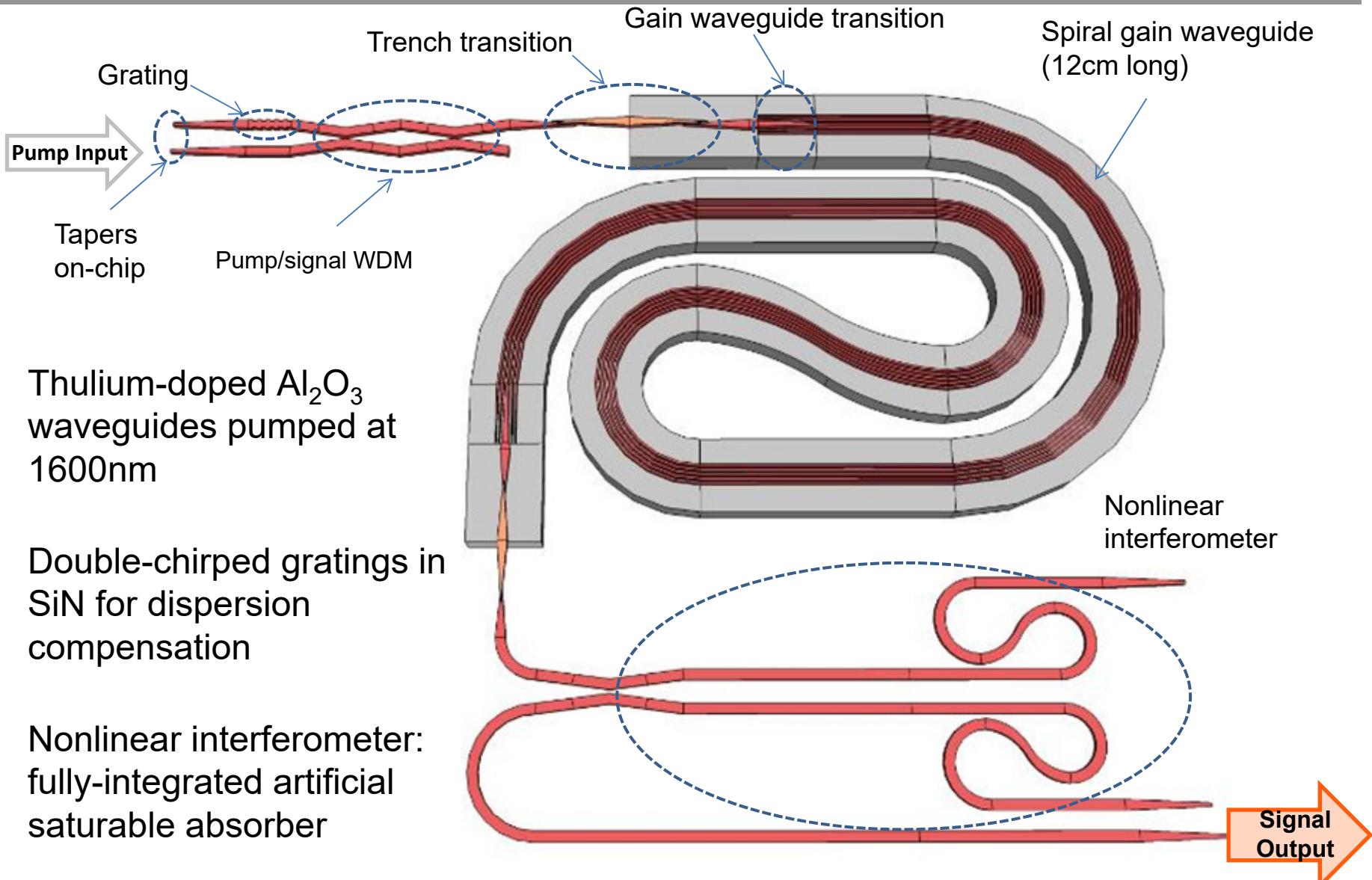


Input Spectrum:



Improved output spectrum with new generation of SC devices
Stronger spectrum around 1550nm
Stronger signal at 1150nm, enables using 2.3um for SHG

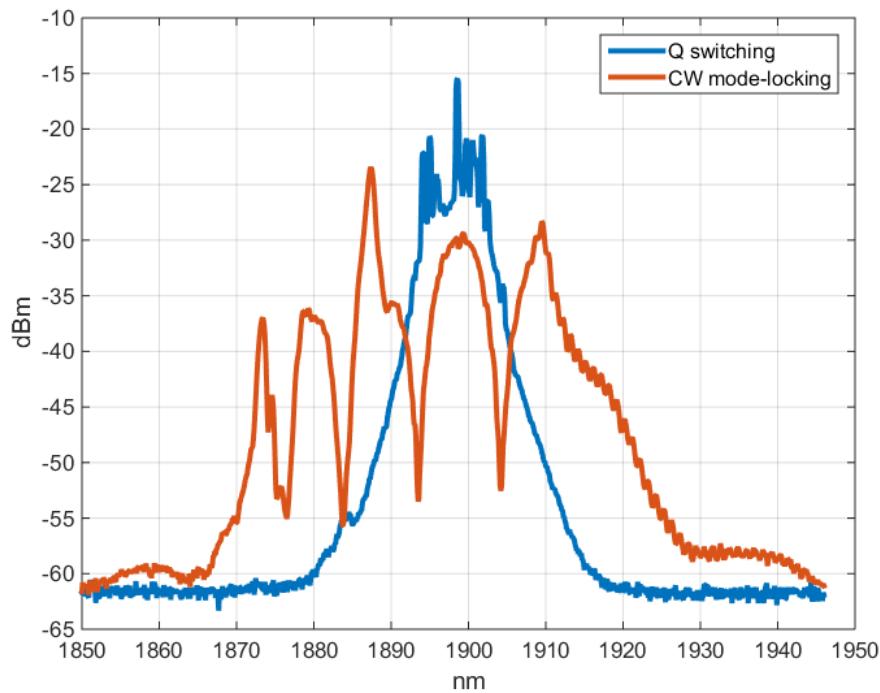
Integrated Thulium Mode-Locked Laser



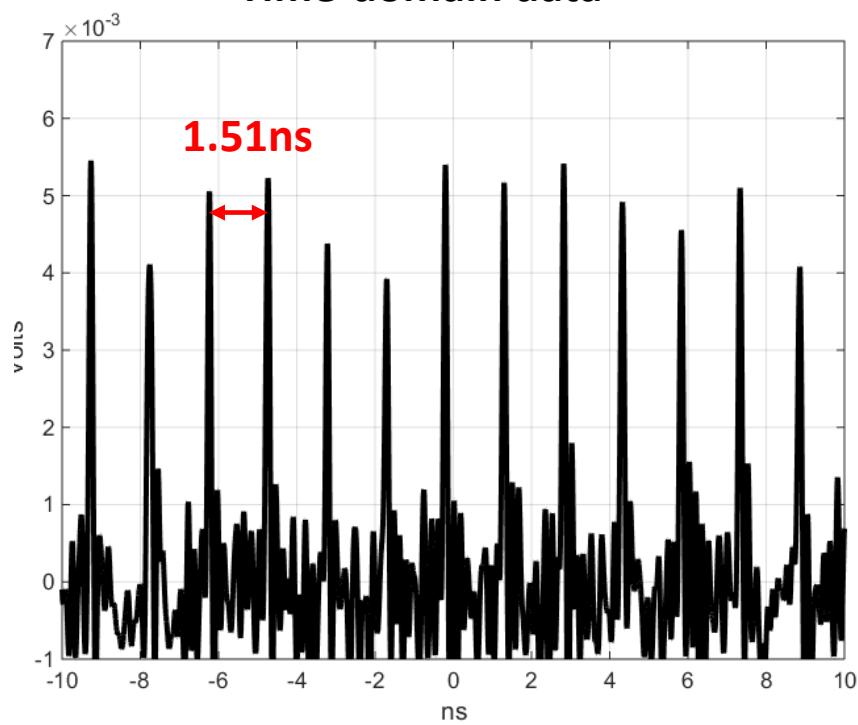
- Thulium-doped Al_2O_3 waveguides pumped at 1600nm
- Double-chirped gratings in SiN for dispersion compensation
- Nonlinear interferometer: fully-integrated artificial saturable absorber

First Results

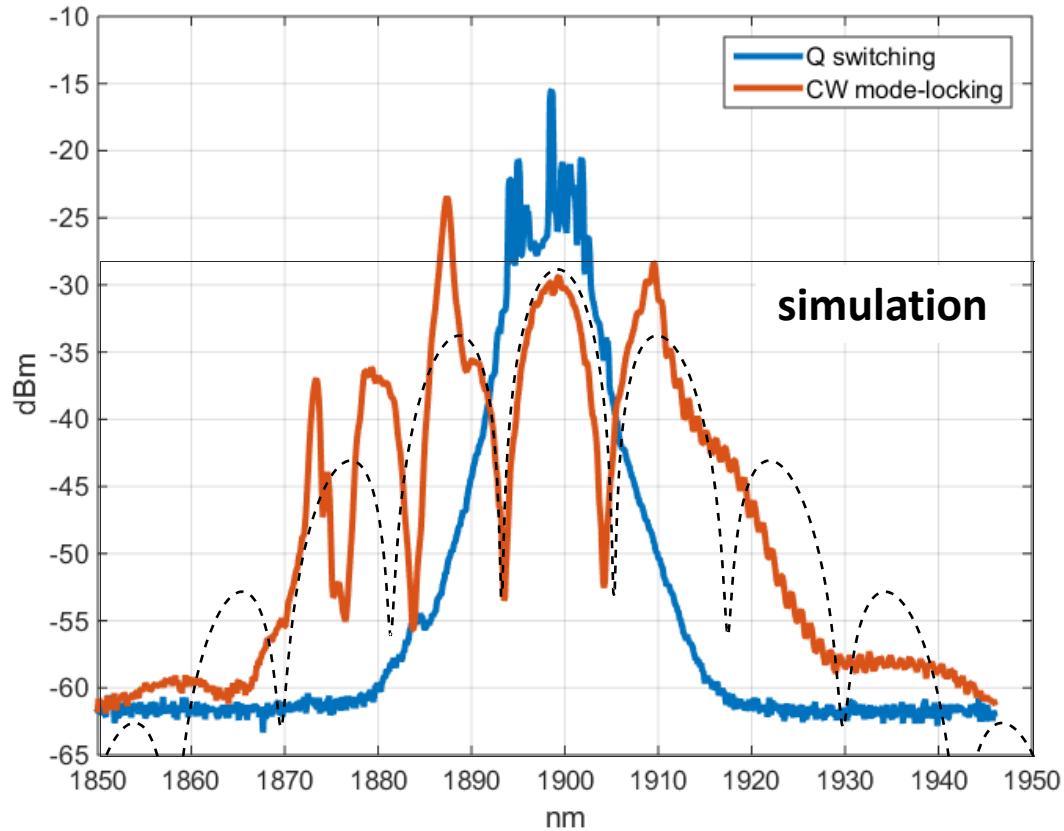
Spectral domain data



Time-domain data



First Results



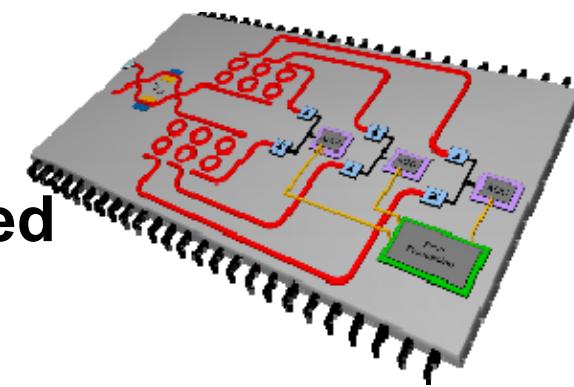
Simulation:

- Two pulses: 250 fs & 265 fs pulse duration
- Delay between pulses: 1ps

Fringe width is inversely proportional to delay.

Conclusions and Outlook

- Accelerator and XFEL facilities are combined accelerator and laser facility.
- Mode-locked lasers provide low jitter (atto-sec.) pulse trains for timing and diagnostics everywhere
- A down converting sampler at 41 GHz with 2.1 GSa/s and 7.0 ENOB has been demonstrated
~ 15 fs jitter
- Enabling High speed, high resolution photonically assisted ADCs
- Complex opto-electronic circuitry, optical table sized, including modelocked lasers will become available on a finger nail sized chip over the next decade.



Thank You!

