

Control of the Microbunching Instability and Stabilization of the THz Coherent Radiation

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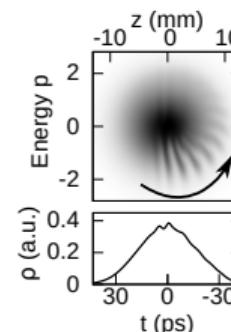
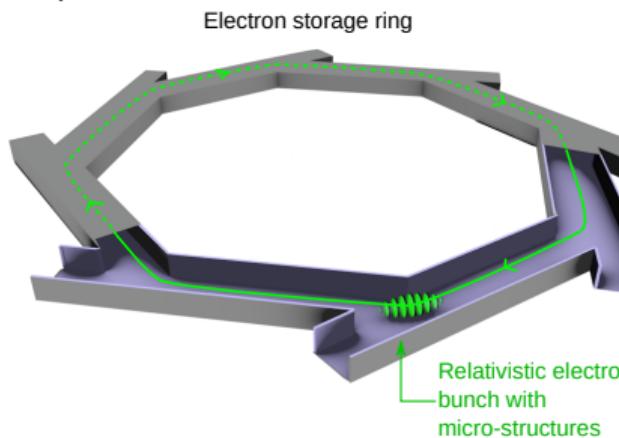
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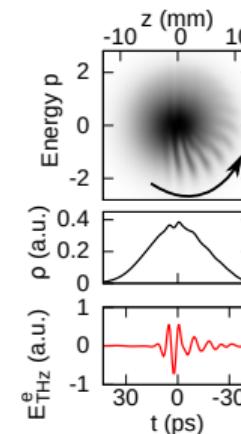
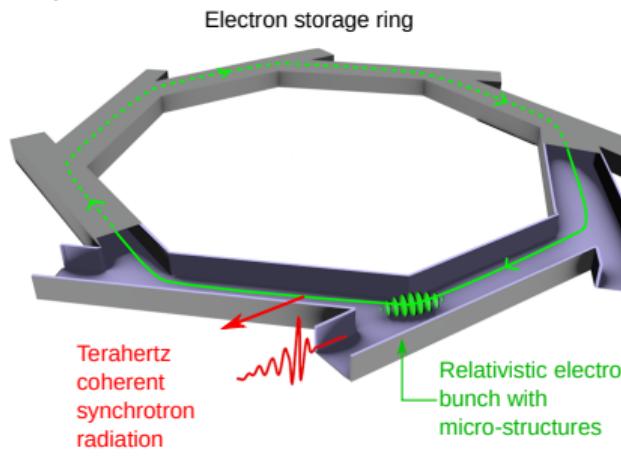
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- Effect of the microstructures \Rightarrow **emission of intense coherent THz pulses** (typ. >10000 times stronger than normal incoherent synchrotron radiation)
- Observation in a large number of storage rings
(NLSL, SURF III, BESSY II, ALS, SLAC, UVSOR II, ELETTRA, ANKA/KARA, CNL, DIAMOND, SOLEIL, etc.)

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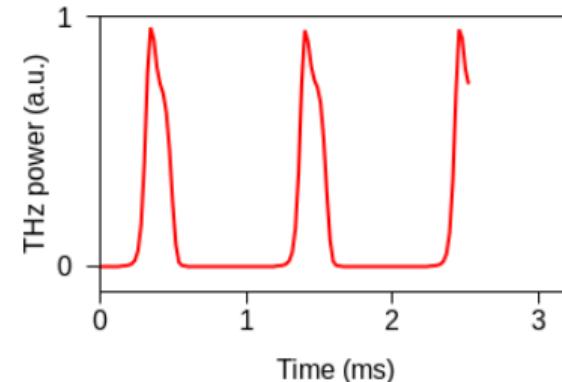
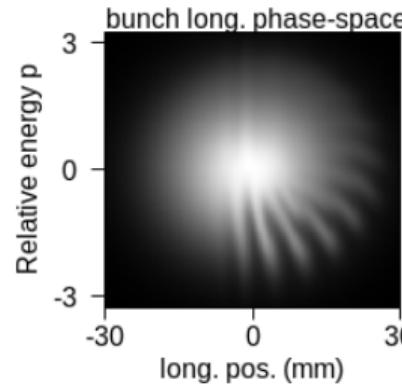
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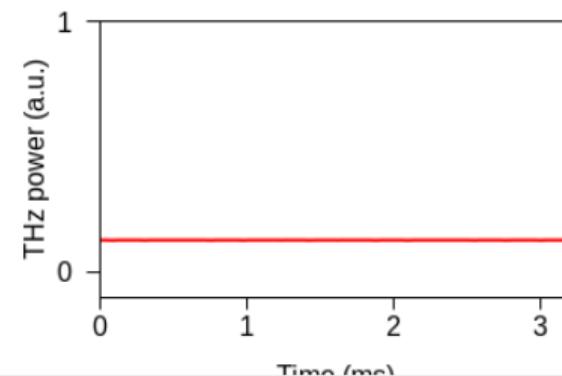
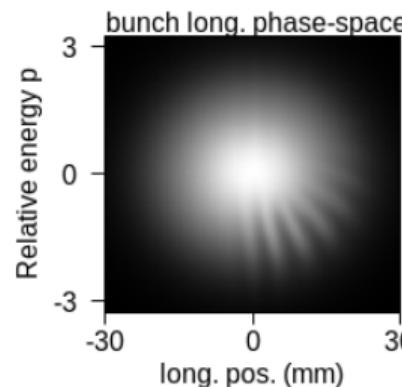
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- **Feedback signal**
 - ▷ **Delay feedback** (Pyragas method) [K. Pyragas, Phys. Lett. A, 170, 421- 428 (1992)]
 - No need to know a priori the unstable solution
 - Feedback signal is practically zero as the system evolves close to the desired stationnary solution
 - ▷ $\Delta q(\theta) = G \times [P_{THz}(\theta) - P_{THz}(\theta - \tau)]$

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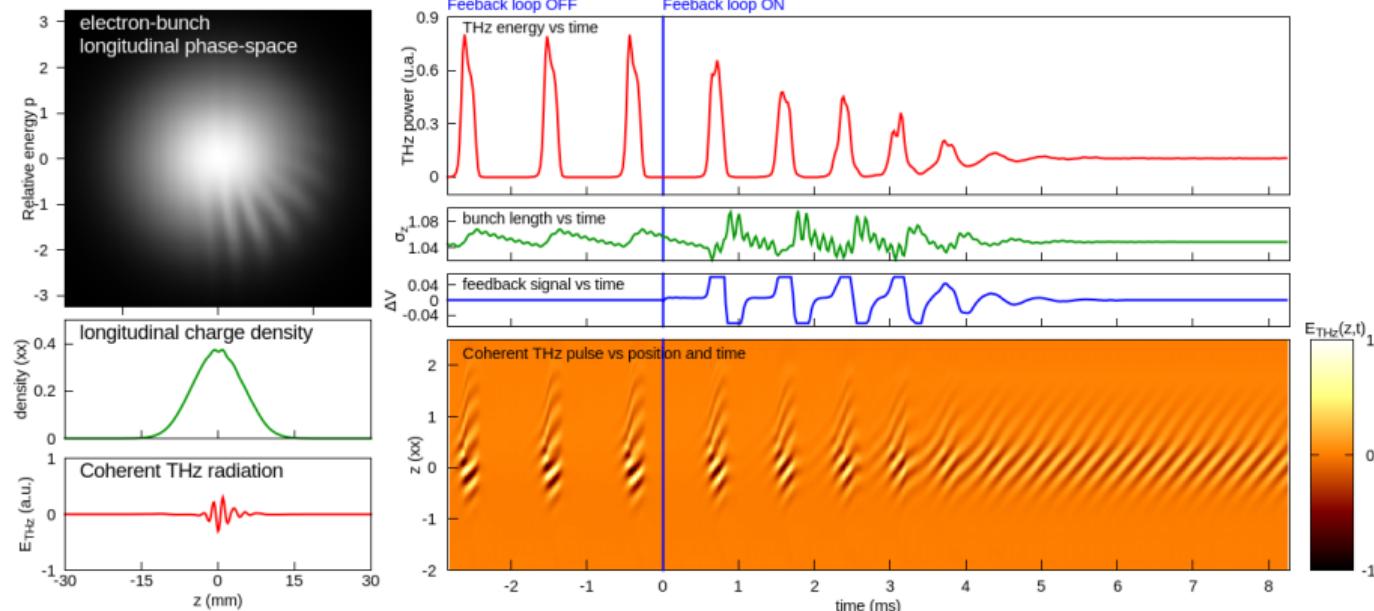
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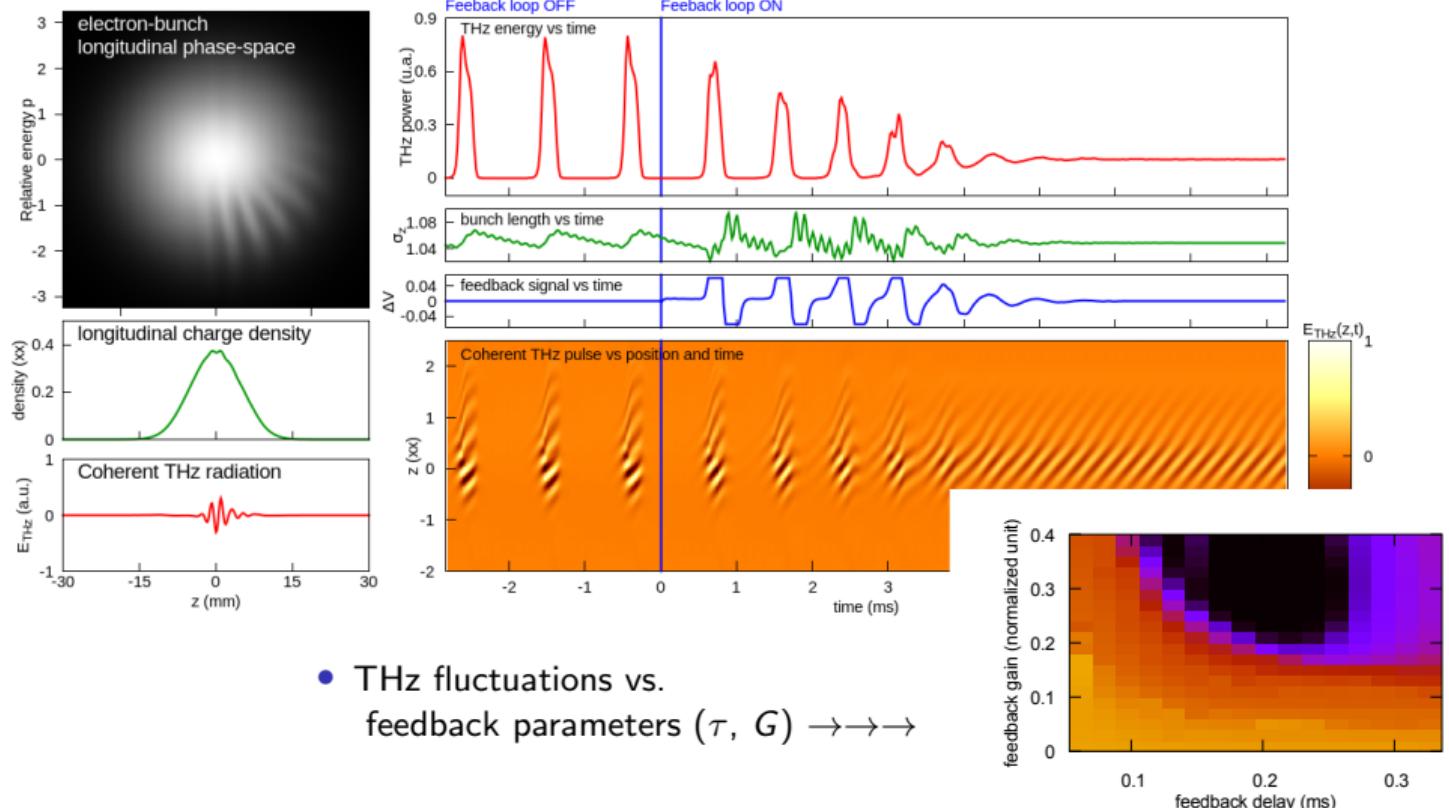
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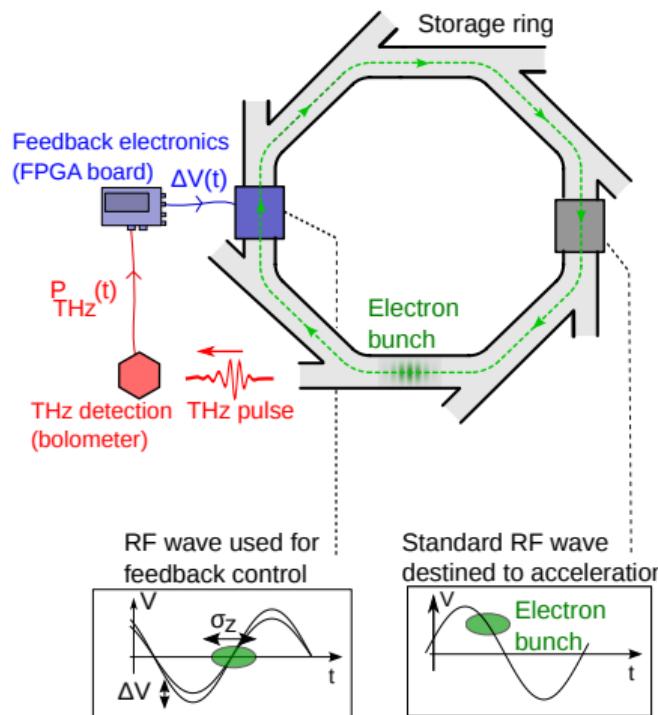
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Experimental setup @Synchrotron SOLEIL



- Synchrotron SOLEIL (circumference : 354 m)



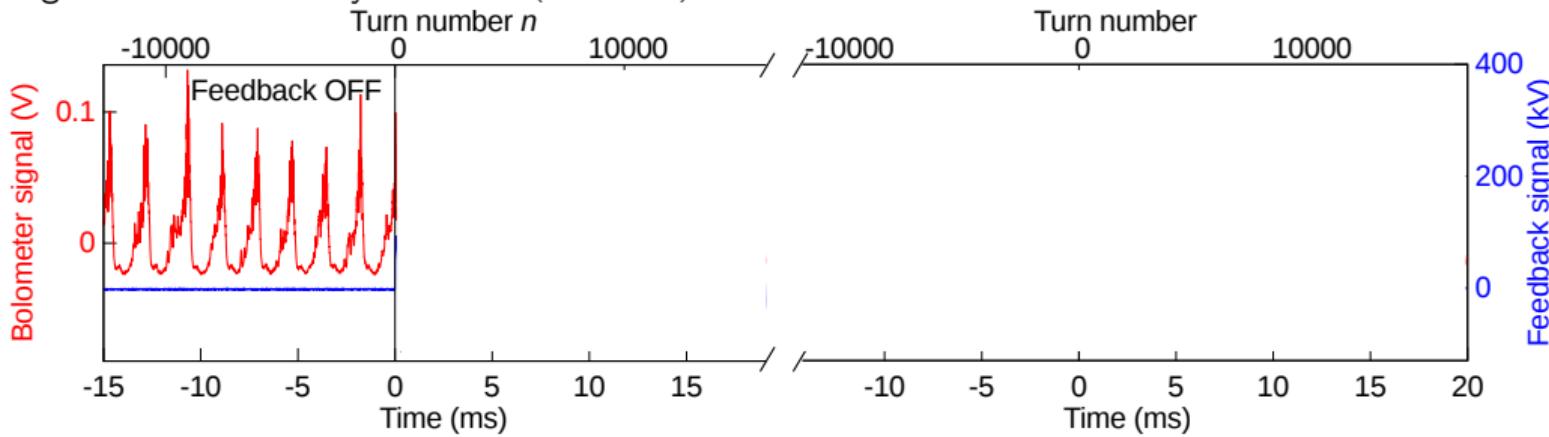
- THz detection @AILES beamline using a InSb bolometer (1- μ s response time)
- Feedback loop using an FPGA board (Red Pitaya)



- 1 RF cavity @zero-crossing

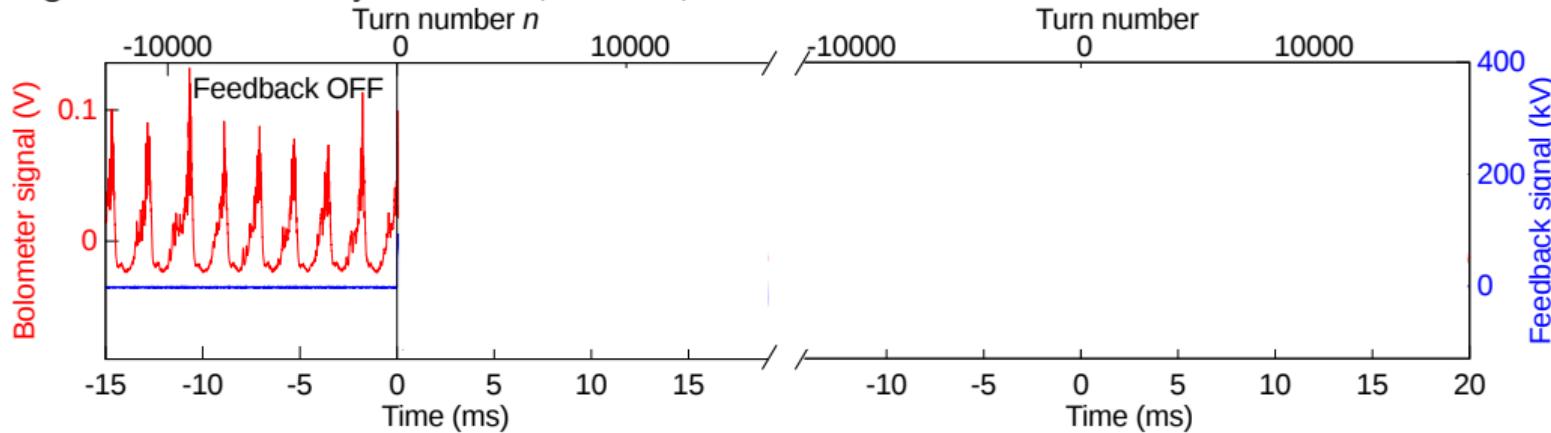
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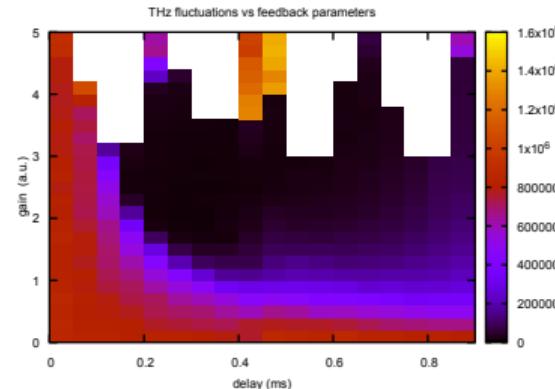


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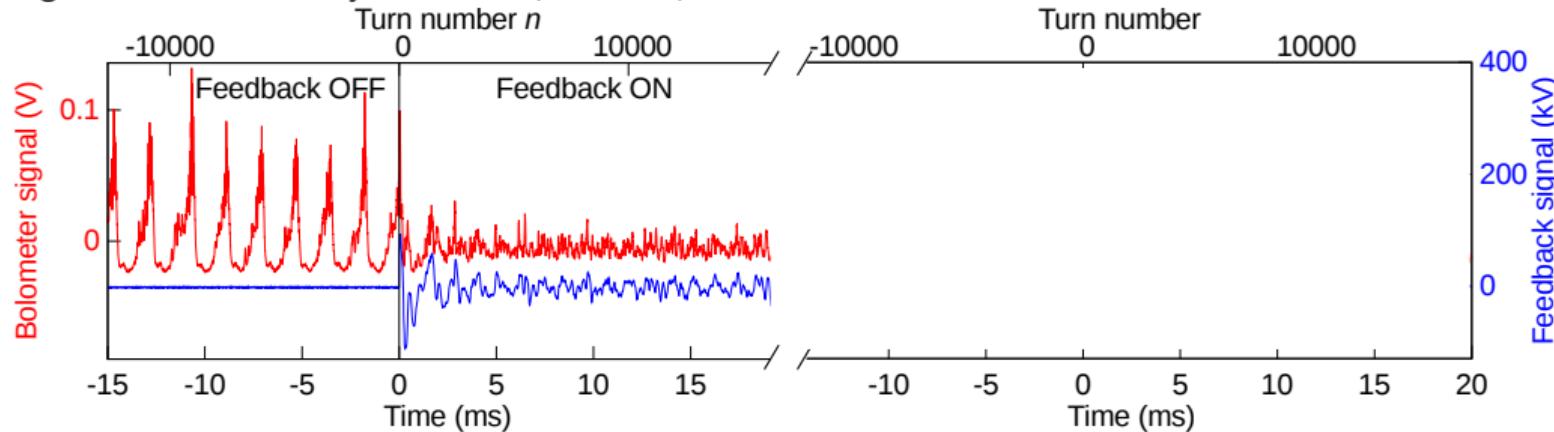


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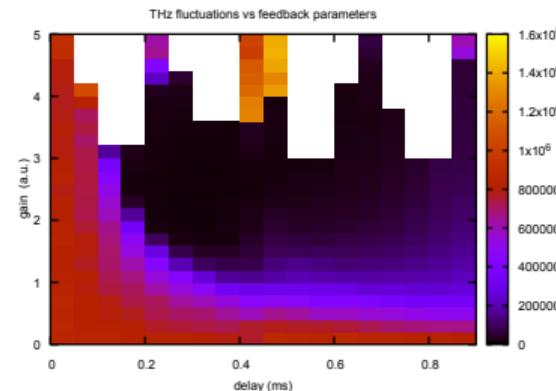


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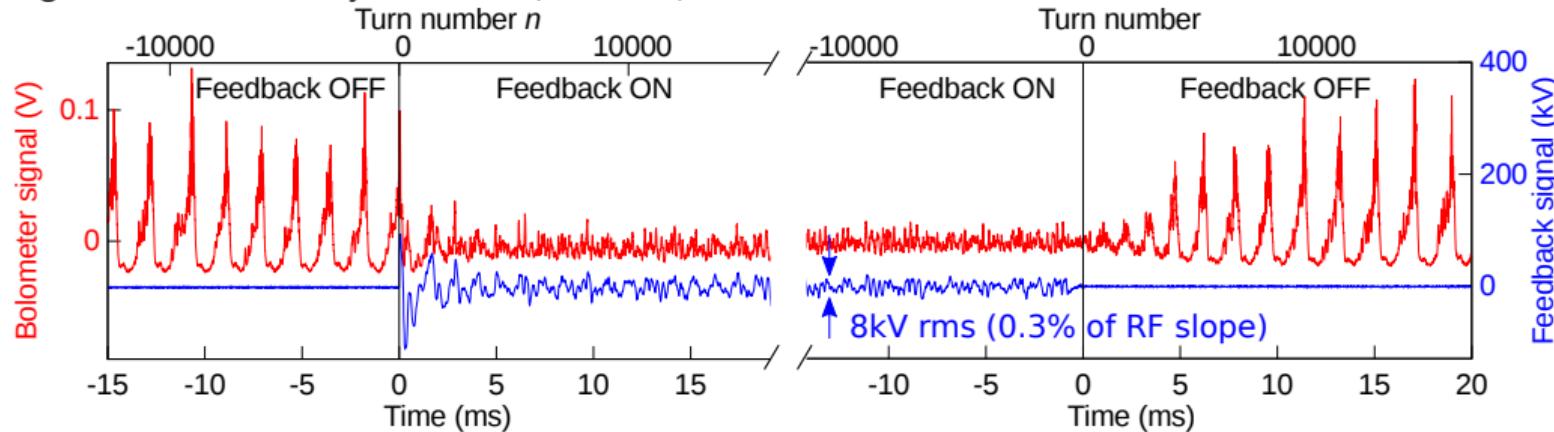


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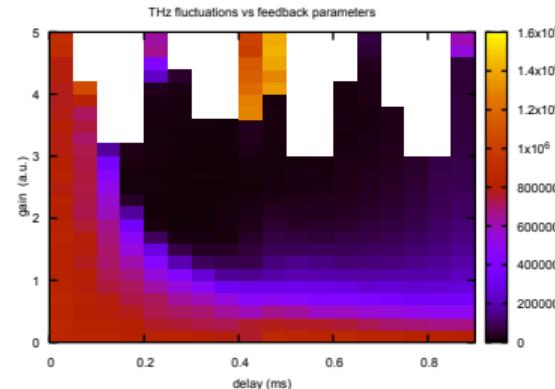


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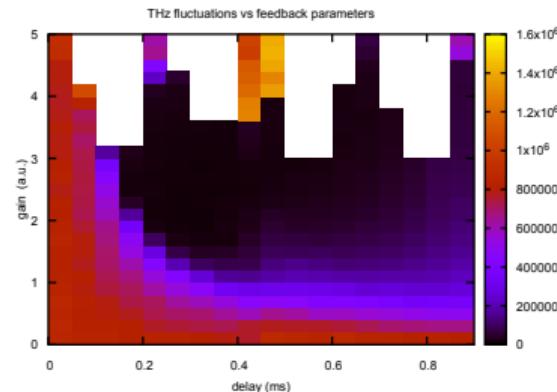


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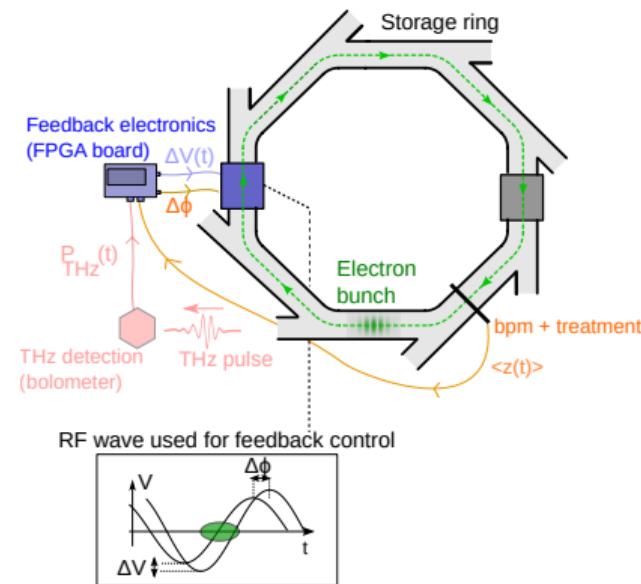
- In the color map, white area associated to a stop of the feedback - not to loose the beam - due to a beam transverse displacement higher than a chosen threshold ($\pm 50\mu\text{m}$)



- ⇒ Use another feedback loop, to stabilize the beam

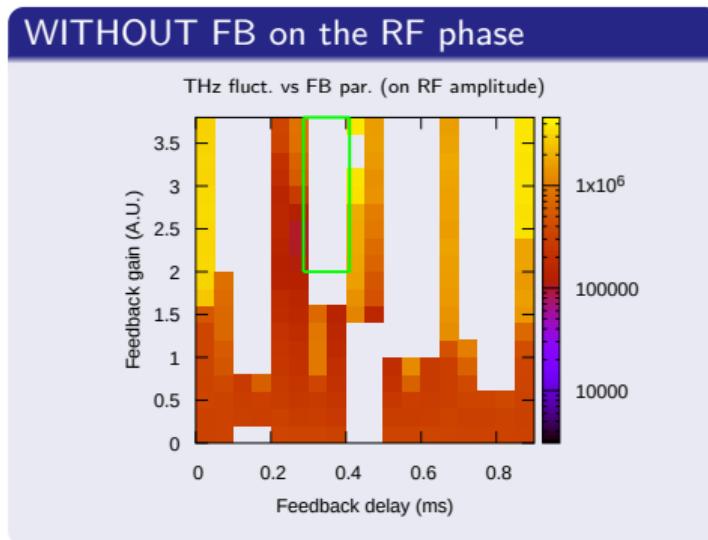
Additional feedback principle

- Additional feedback between :
 - a measure of the bunch center $\langle z(t) \rangle$ (from BPM measurement)
 - the phase of the RF signal



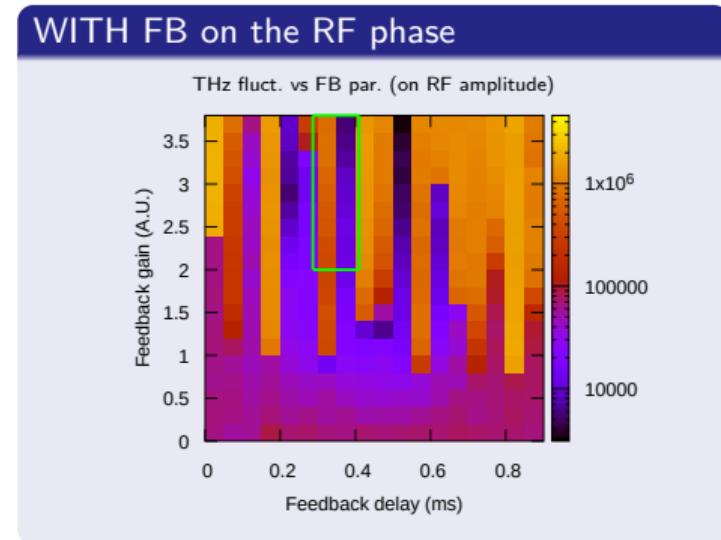
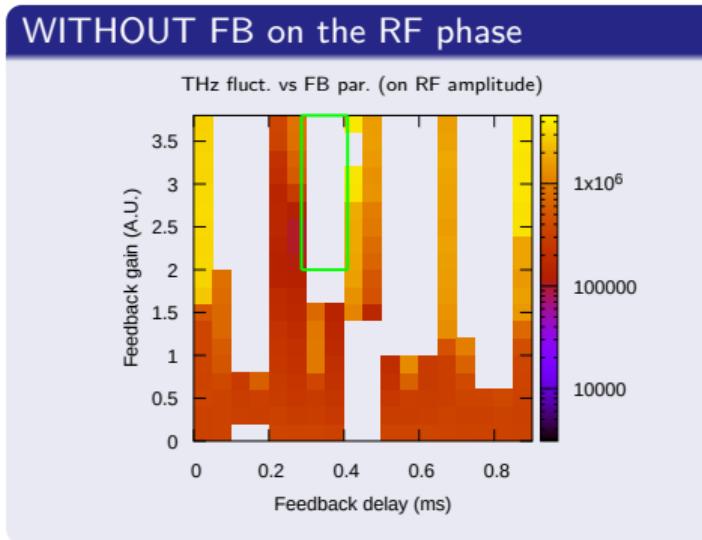
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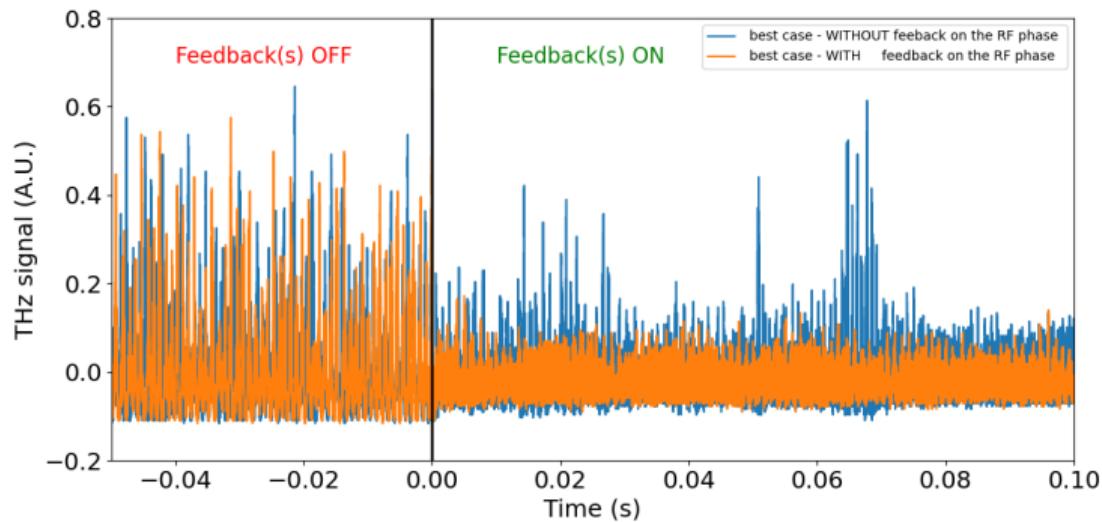
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- The new area are interesting in term of THz stabilization (since there are area with less fluctuations)

Effect of the additional feedback on the instability control - THz power vs time

THz power with and without feedback on the phase (best case of the zoom map)



Conclusion & perspectives

- Microbunching instability in storage rings :
 - ▷ irregular evolution (bursting) of microstructures in the bunch
 - ▷ powerfull source of THz but with strong fluctuations
- Control :
 - ▷ existence of an **unstable** state where microstructures appear very **regularly**
 - ▷ control the instability using a strategy inspired by the **control of chaos**
 - ▷ application of the feedback loop at **Synchrotron SOLEIL**
 - ▷ [Evain et al., *Nature Physics* 1745-2481 (2019)]
 - ▷ Not shown : possible to observe the spatio-temp. dyn. of the micro-structures [Roussel et al., *SciRep.* 5, 10330 (2015)], [Szwa et. al., *RSI* 87, 103111 (2016)], [Evain et al., *PRL* 118, 054801 (2017)]
 - ▷ Additional feedback on the RF phase permits to access new feedback parameters, with some of them efficient to decrease THz fluct.
- Other strategies to increase the control efficiency at high current :
 - ▷ more feedback loops using one or several observables
 - ▷ other types of feedback
 - ▷ machine learning strategy or multi-objective optimization (MOGA)
 - ▷ ...