



RF Controls applications

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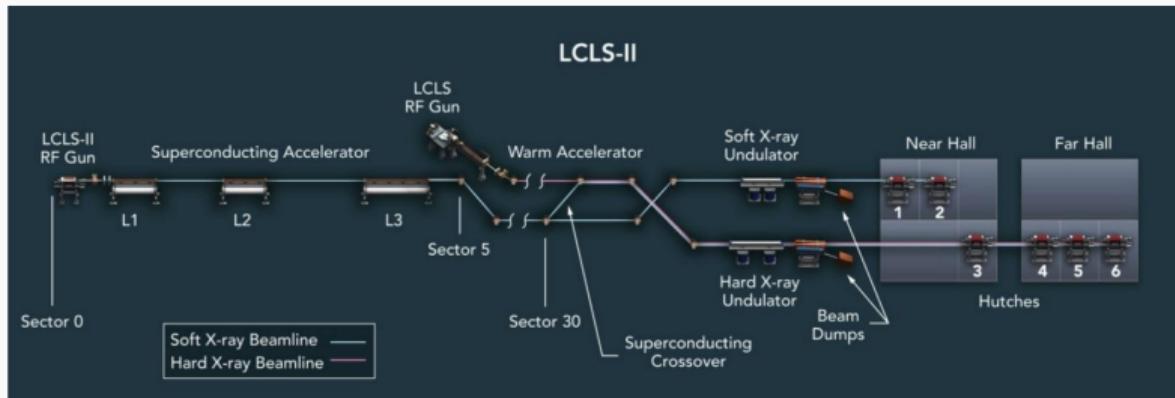
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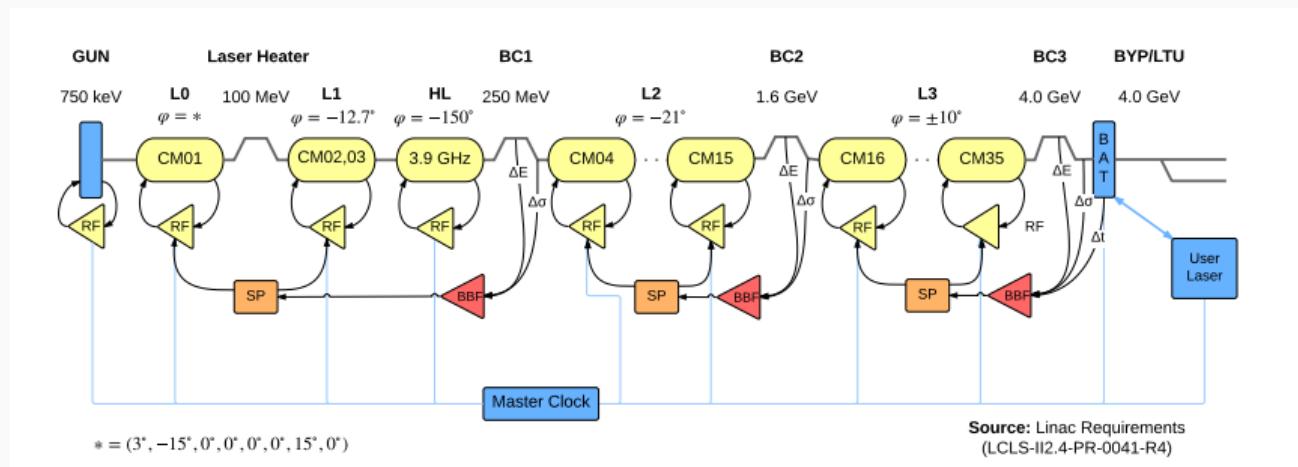
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LLRF Engineering

LCLS-II LLRF system case study



LCLS-II Feedback & requirements



LLRF Requirements: 0.01% and 0.01° RMS (≥ 1 Hz)

LLRF system scale

Region	Freq. (MHz)	# cavities	Type	LLRF Racks
Gun	185.7	1	NC	1
Buncher	1,300	1	NC	1
Linearizer	3,900	16	SC	4
Linac	1,300	280	SC	70

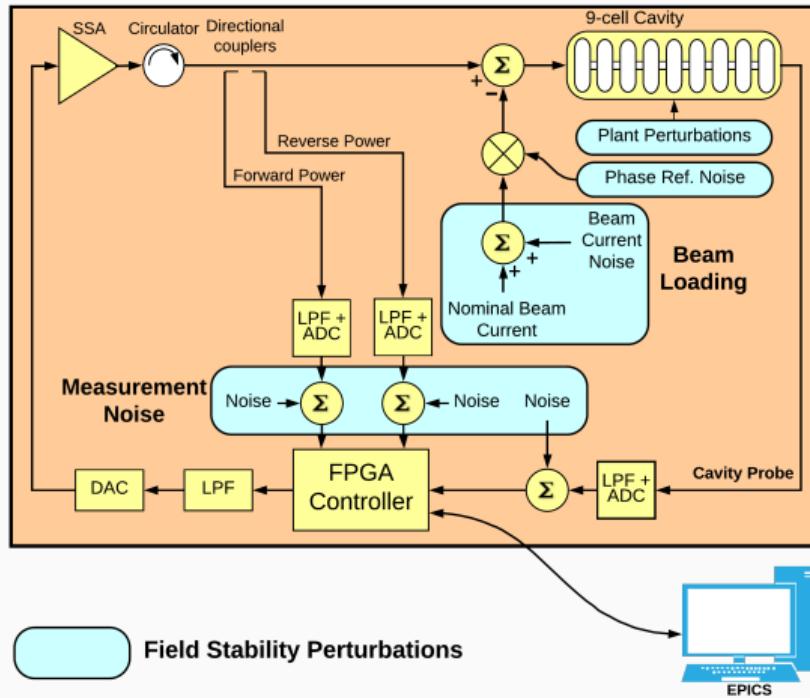
- Totals:
 - 76 LLRF racks,
 - ~ 300 LLRF chassis,
 - 3 frequencies.

1.3 GHz RF System & beam parameters

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Units
RF Frequency	f_{RF}	1.3	GHz
Unloaded Q	Q_0	$2.7 \cdot 10^{10}$	unitless
Loaded Q	Q_L	$4 \cdot 10^7$	unitless
Shunt Impedance	R/Q	1036	Ω
Microphonic Detuning	Δf_d	± 10	Hz
Bunch Charge	Q_b	≤ 300	pC
Bunch Charge Error	$\Delta Q_b / Q_b$	± 1	%
Bunch Rep. Rate (CW)	f_b	≤ 1	MHz
Avg. Beam Current	I_{av}	≤ 0.3	mA

LLRF System Topology

LLRF System



Physics requirements to LLRF specs

Core physics requirement is 0.01% and 0.01°

Start with a coarse guideline for uncorrelated noise sources...

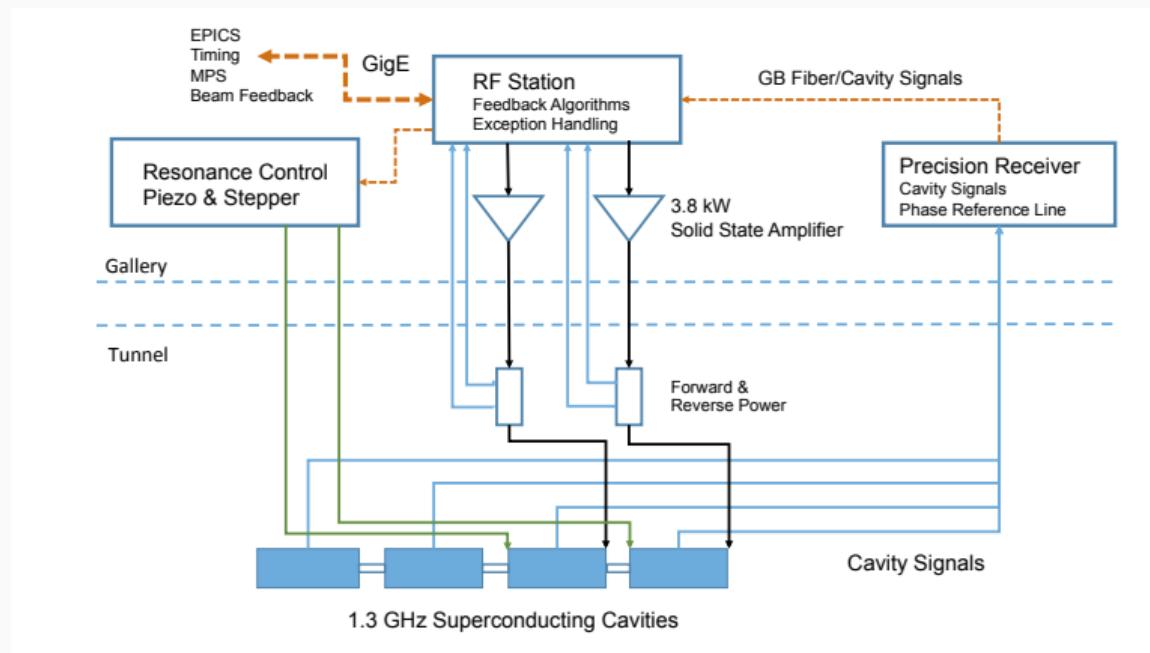
Noise Source	Amplitude	Phase
Measurement	0.005%	0.004°
PRL	N/A	0.004°
Plant pert.	0.005%	0.004°
Beam loading	0.005%	0.004°
Other/unknown	0.005%	0.004°

... and adjust with empirical evidence.

LLRF specs to engineering

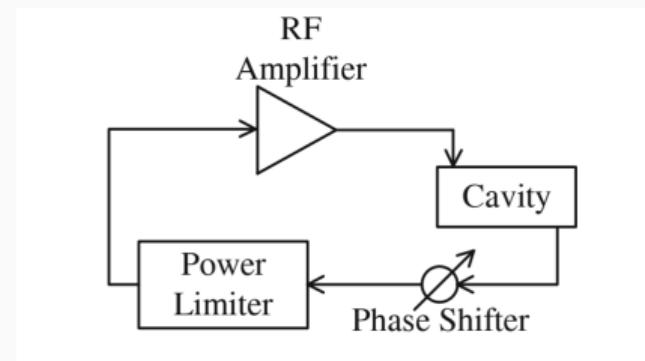
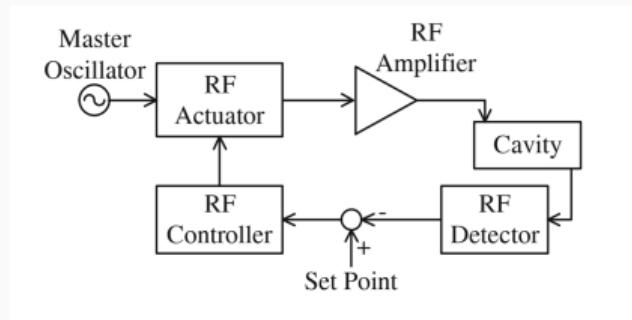
- High- Q_L superconducting \Rightarrow sensitive in the audio band and low bandwidth,
- Tight field regulation specs \Rightarrow high noise rejection,
- High noise rejection and low bandwidth \Rightarrow very high gains,
- High gains \Rightarrow measurement noise is amplified greatly,
- Tight regulation of high- Q_L SRF cavities \Rightarrow low noise design and careful engineering

LCLS-II LLRF System Architecture



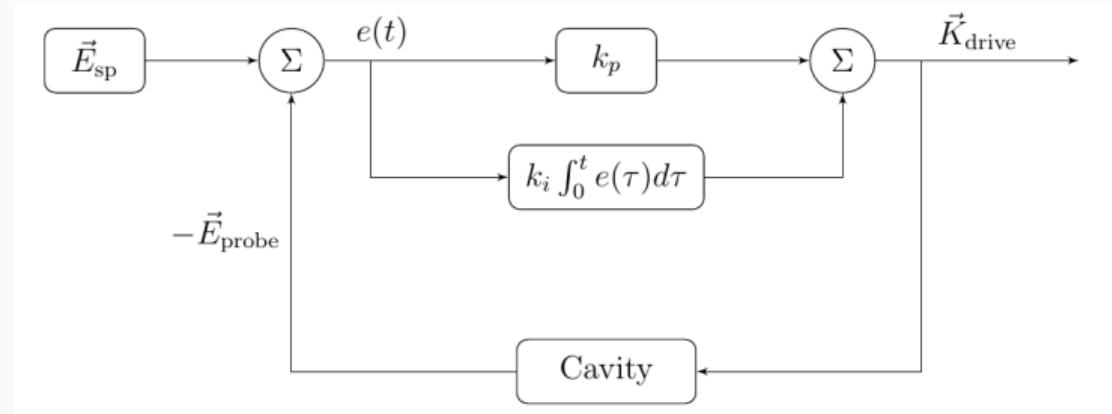
Turning on a SRF cavity

- So far we have treated the case where the amplitude and phase are locked to the frequency reference of the accelerator: Generator Driven Resonator or GDR
- When you first turn on a narrow-band cavity with an unknown resonant frequency, the RF drive at the machine reference frequency might not excite the cavity resonance
- A Self-Excited Loop (or SEL) controller, when tuned with the right phase tracks the cavity resonance



RF Controller analysis

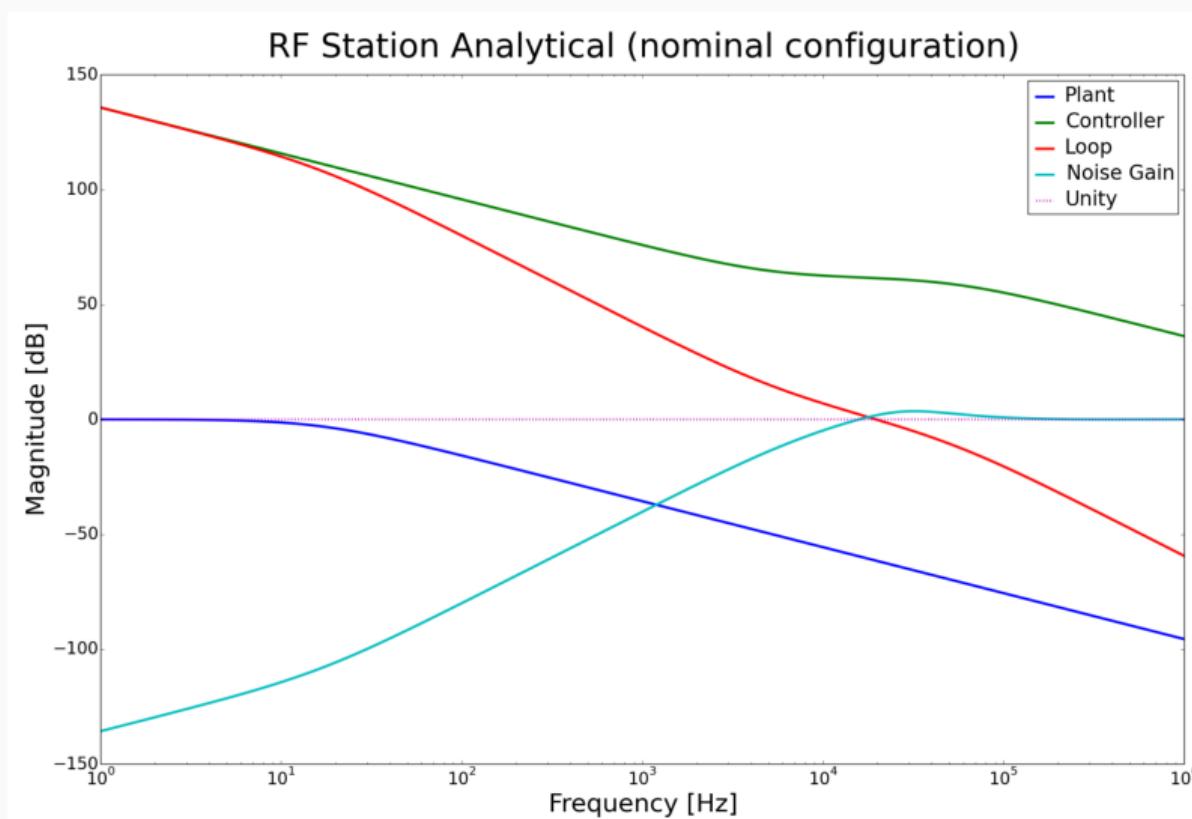
Controller



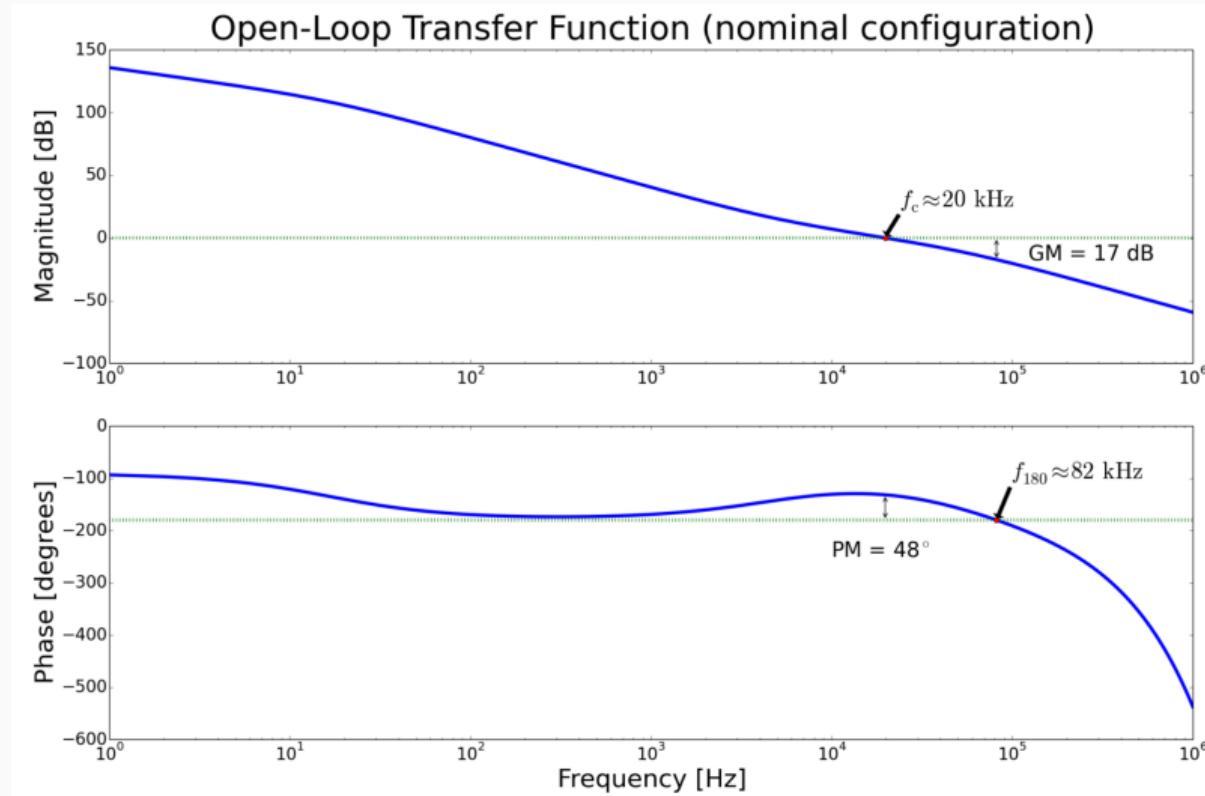
LLRF nominal configuration

Parameter	Value	Units	Implication
Intrinsic Loop Delay	1	μs	-
0-dB crossing	20	kHz	$k_p \approx 1200$
Controller Zero	5	kHz	$k_i = k_p \times 2\pi \cdot 5 \cdot 10^3$
Noise-shaping filter	53	kHz	Adds 3 μs delay

Stability analysis



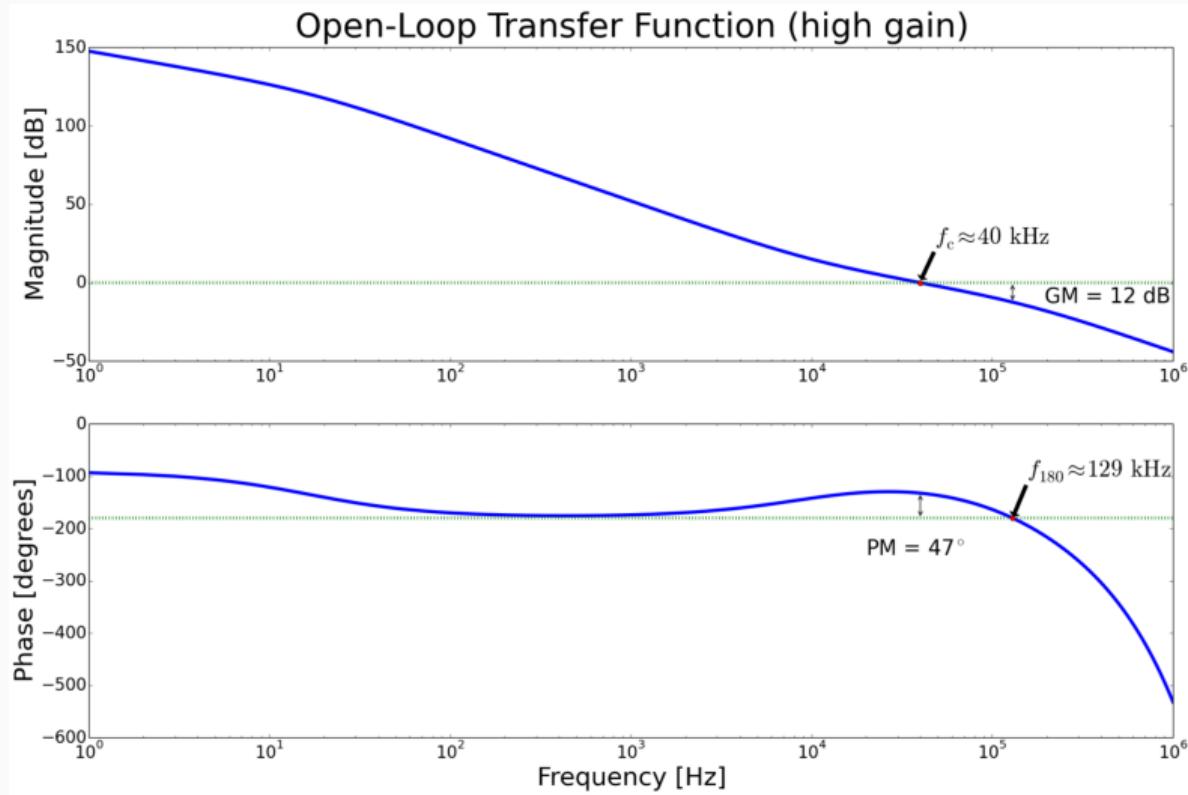
Stability analysis



LLRF high gain configuration

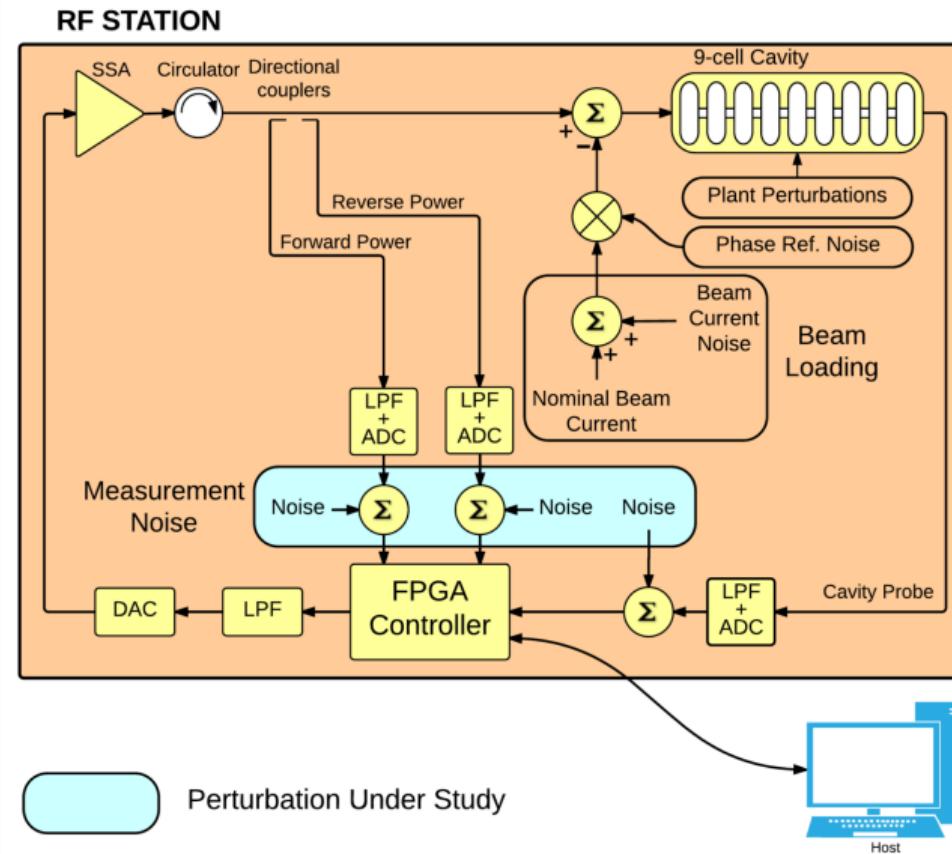
Parameter	Value	Units	Implication
Hardware Delay	1	μs	-
0-dB crossing	40	kHz	$k_p \approx 2400$
Controller Zero	10	kHz	$k_i = k_p \times 2\pi \cdot 10 \cdot 10^3$
Noise-shaping filter	160	kHz	Adds 1 μs delay

Stability analysis

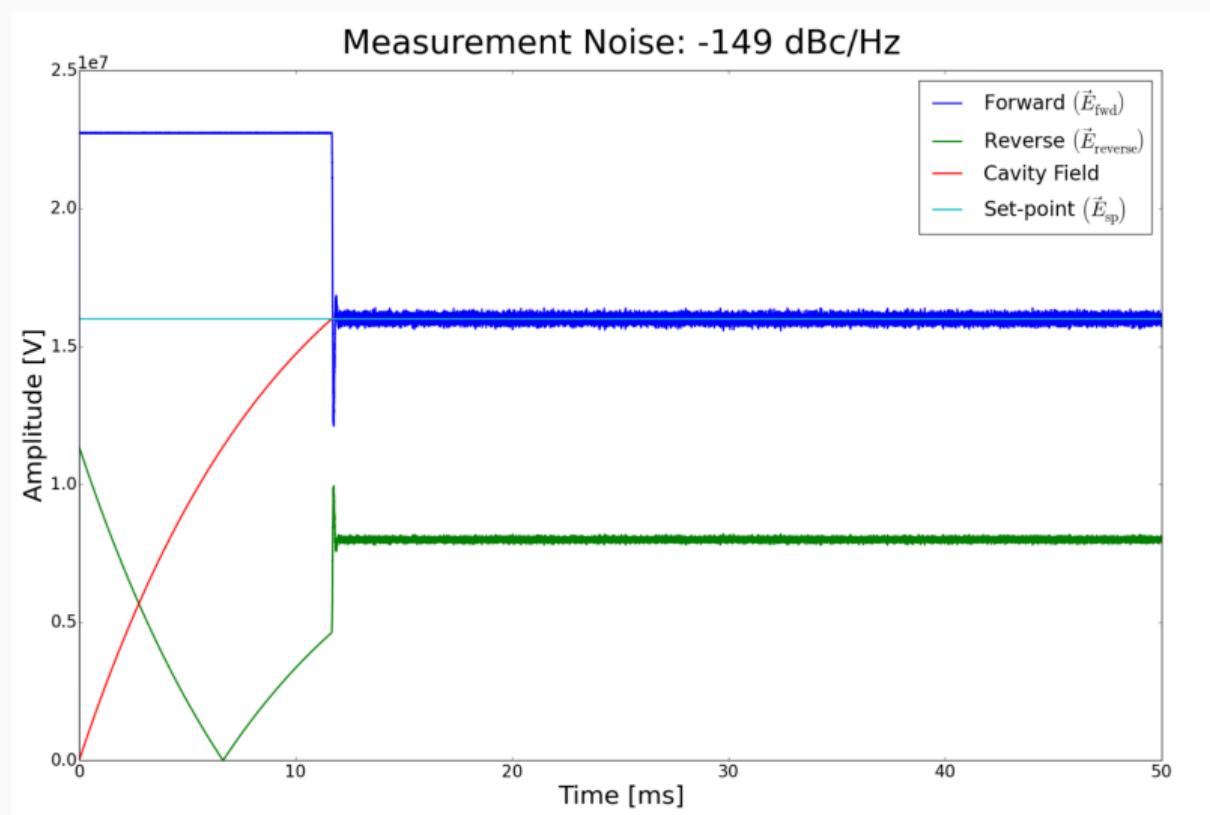


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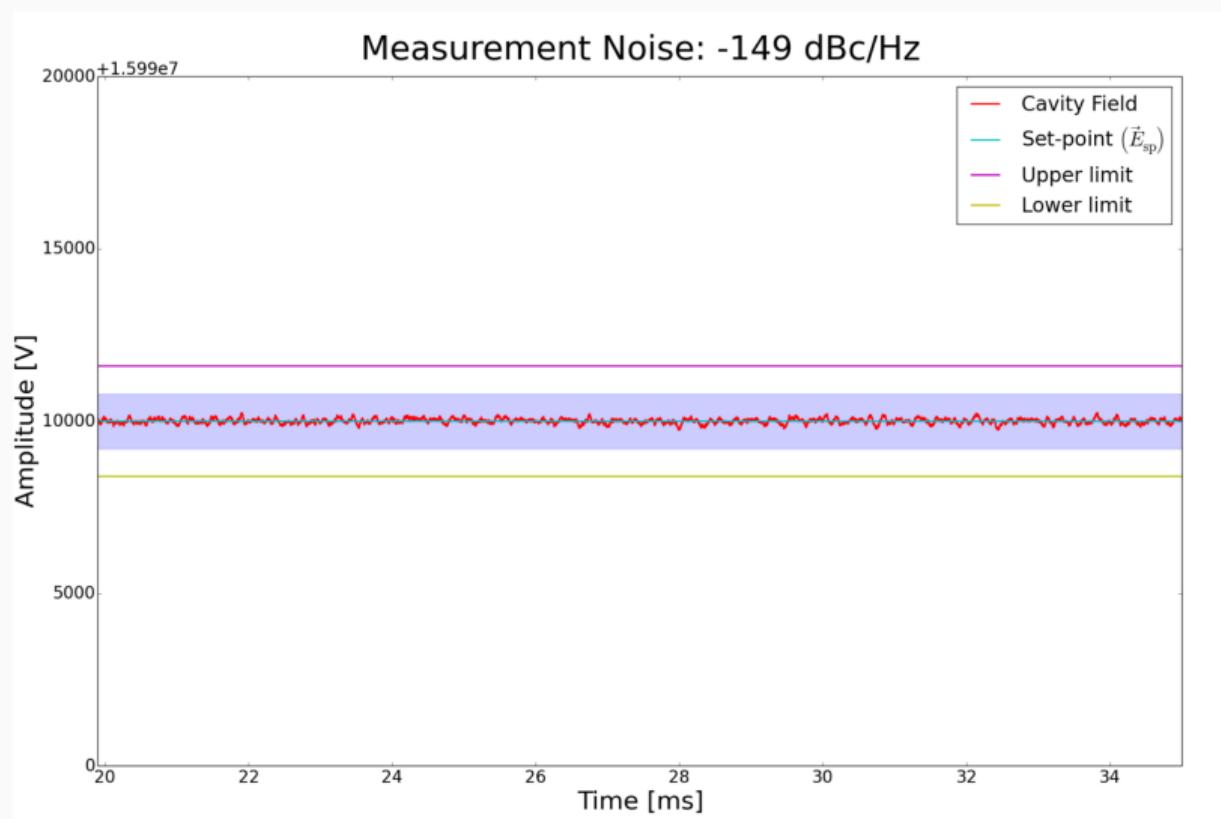
Noise analysis: Measurement noise



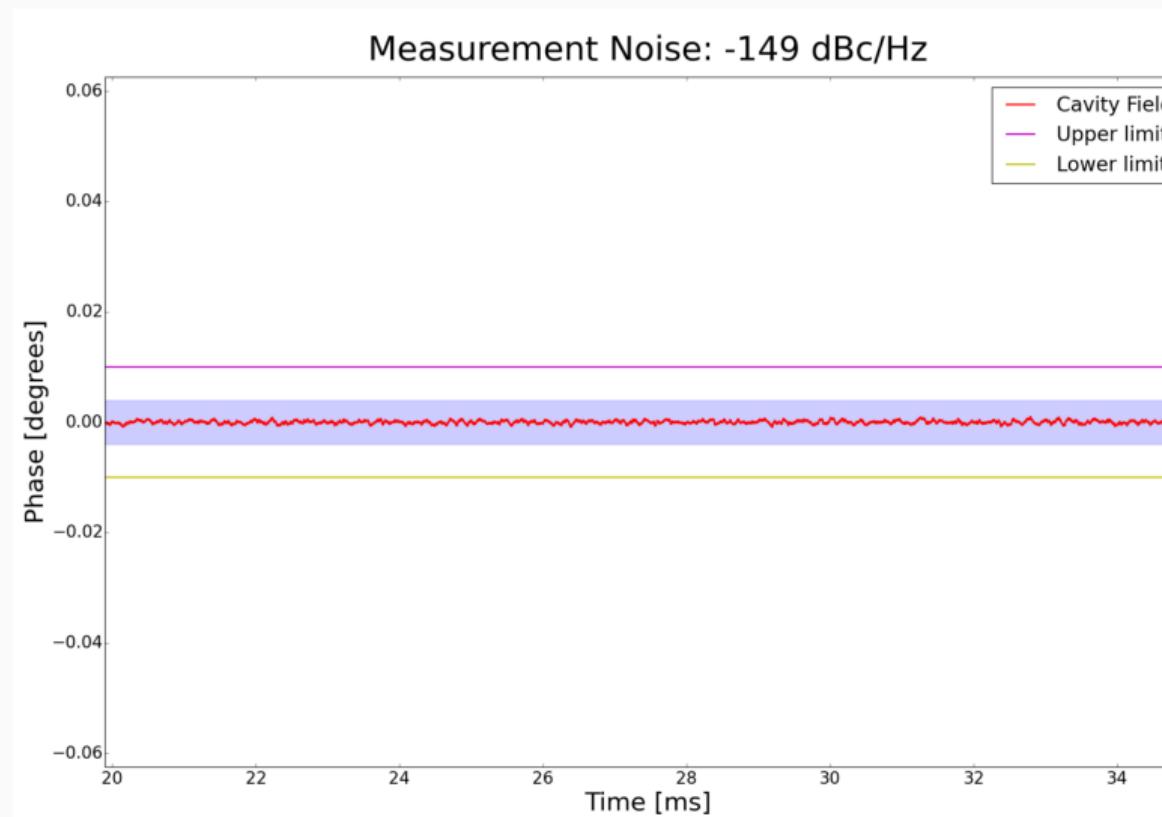
Measurement noise: Nominal configuration



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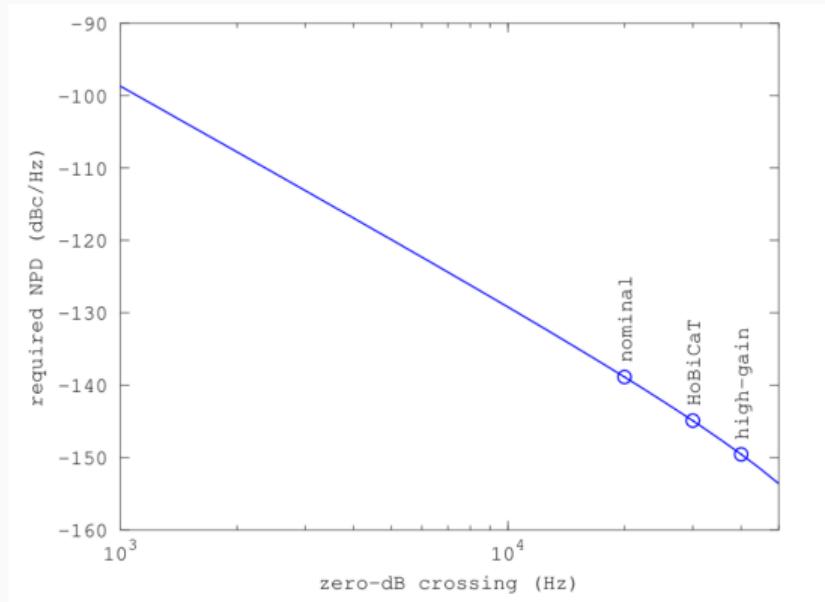


Measurement noise: Nominal configuration



Measurement noise: Impact on SSA noise

- Assuming we can tolerate around 4% RMS (amplitude) SSA drive noise, higher gains require lower levels of measurement noise

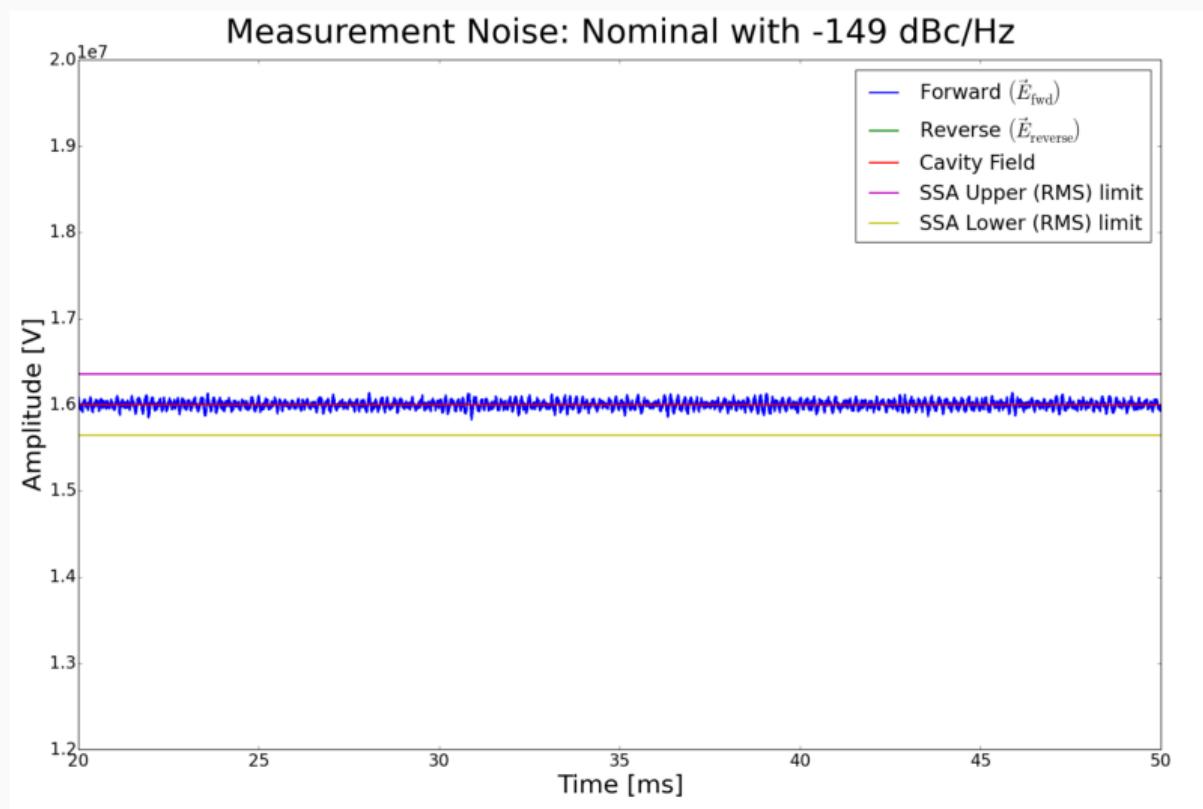


Measurement noise: Impact on SSA

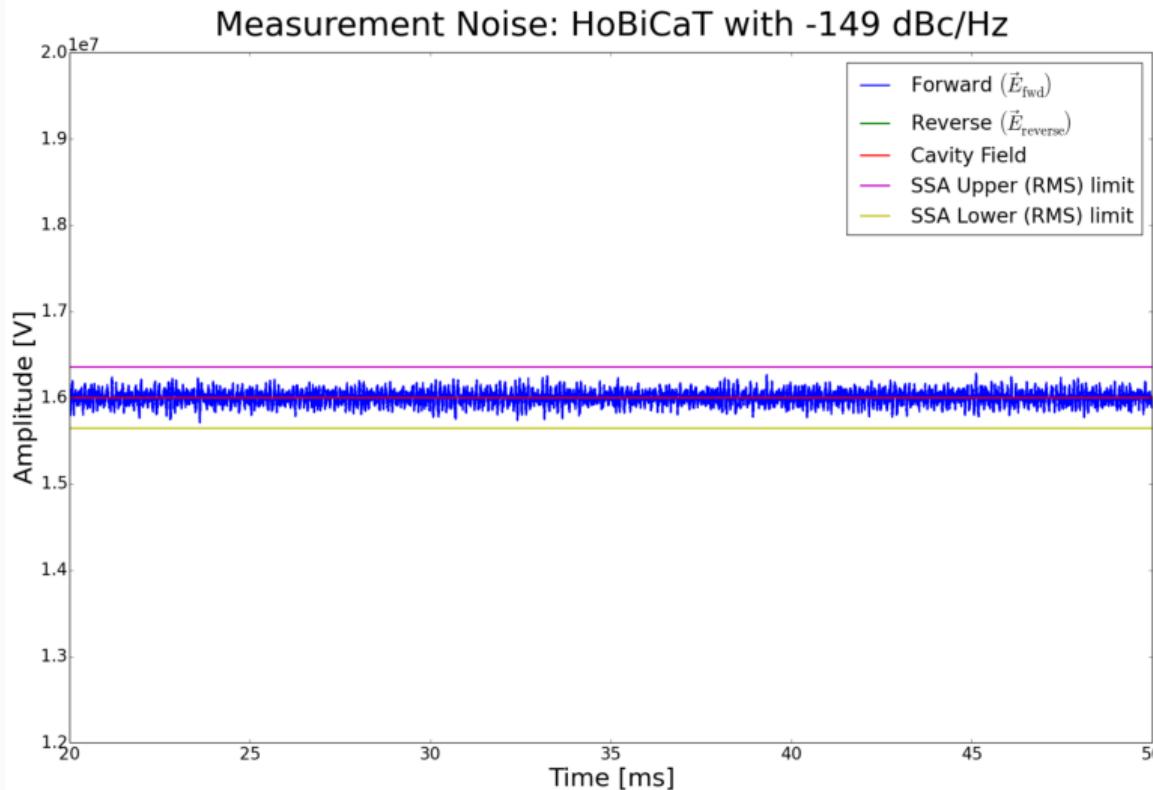
- Measurement noise goal: Establish design noise target at -149 dBc/Hz in order to support these modes of operation

Configuration	0-dB crossing	Gain	Required NPD
Nominal	20 kHz	1200	-138 dBc/Hz
HoBiCaT	30 kHz	1800	-144 dBc/Hz
High Gain	40 kHz	2400	-149 dBc/Hz

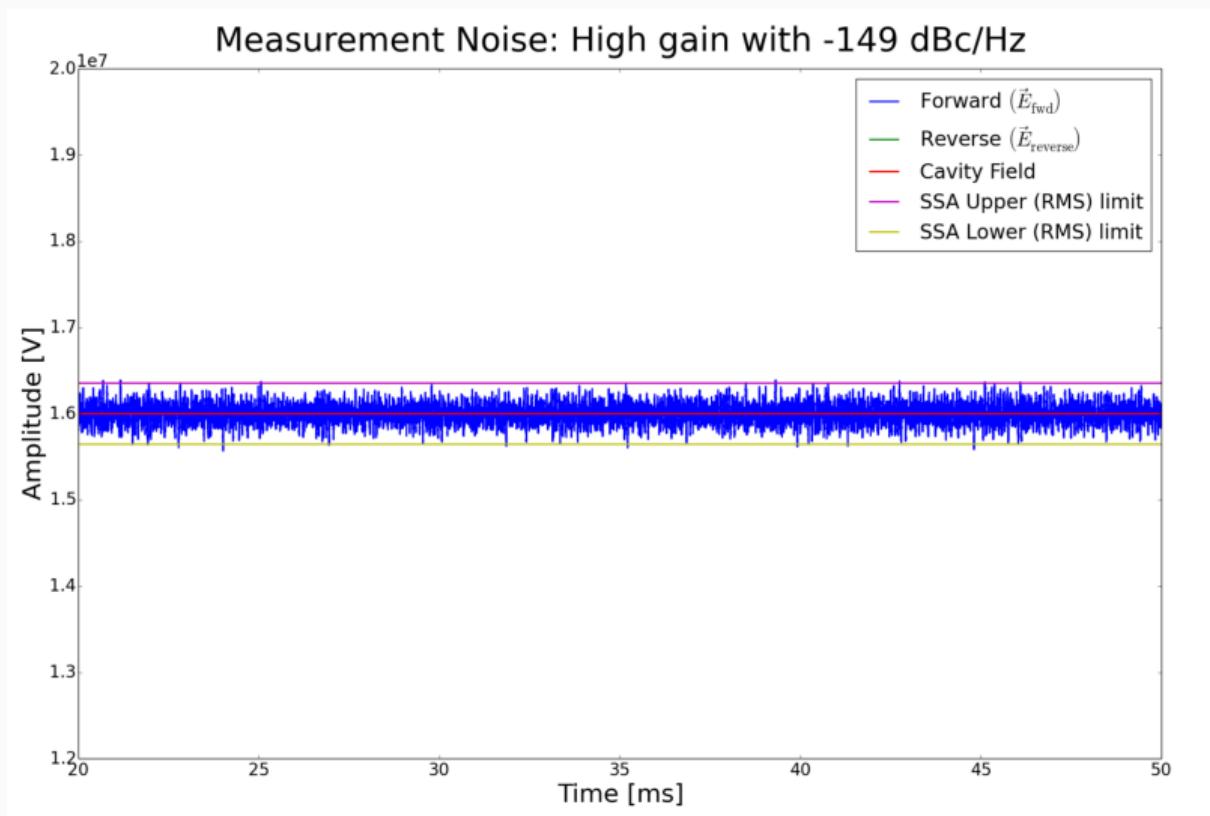
Measurement noise: Nominal configuration



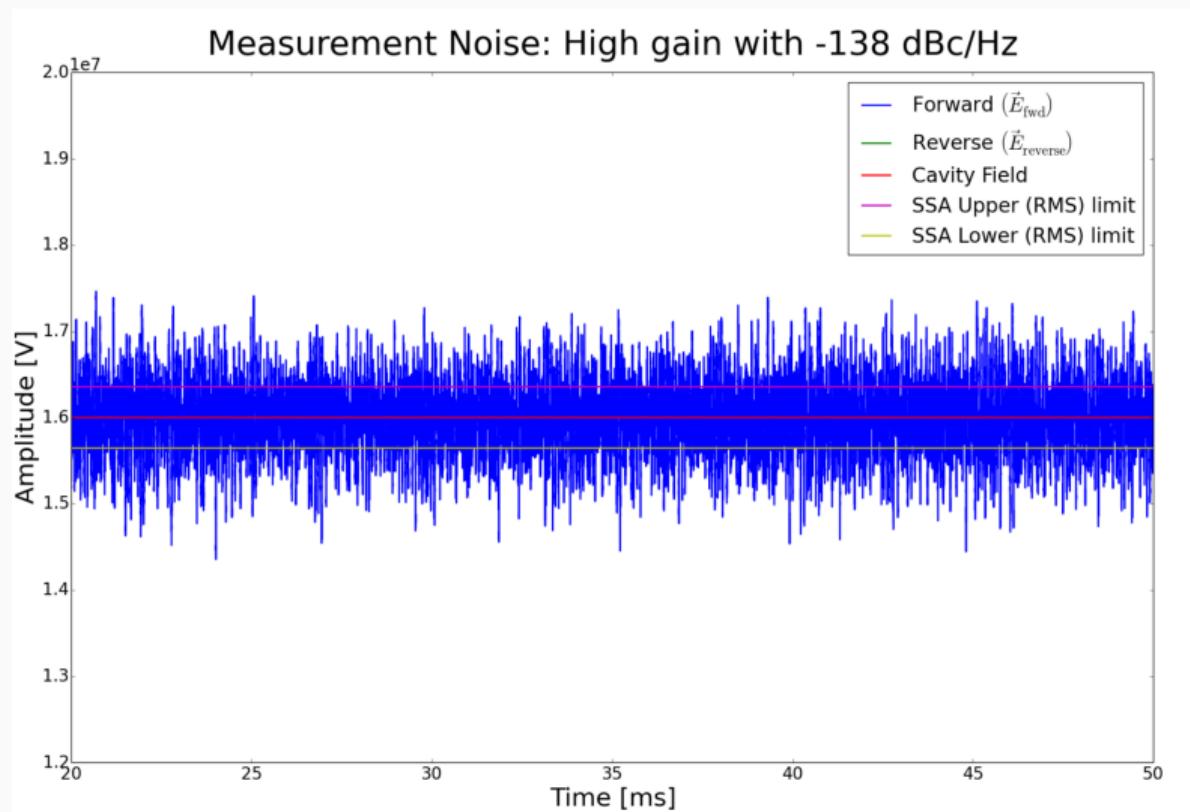
Measurement noise: HoBiCat configuration



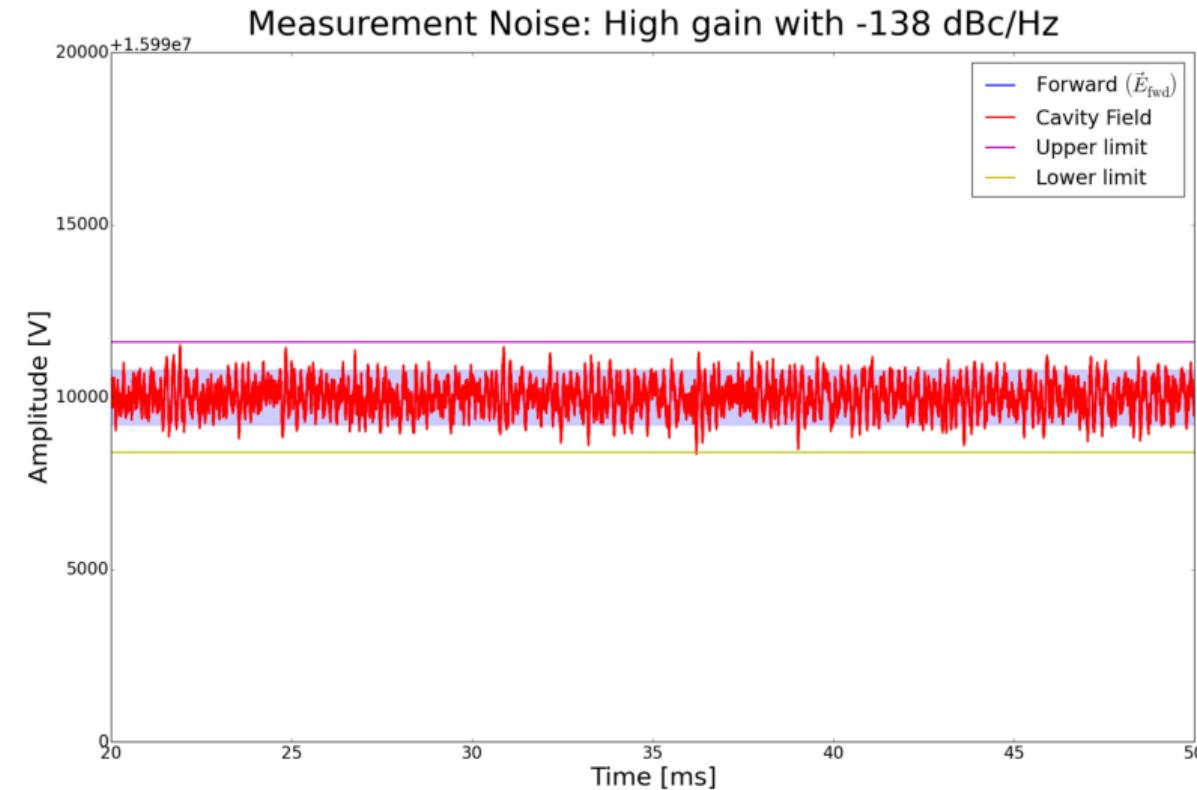
Measurement noise: High gain configuration



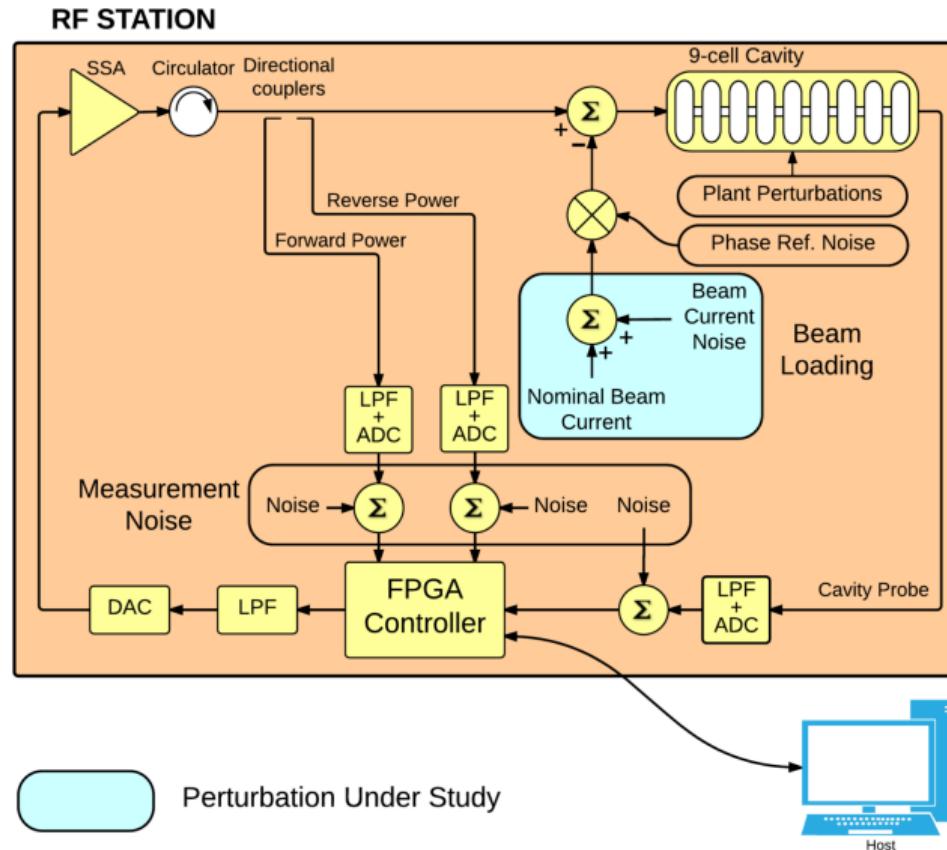
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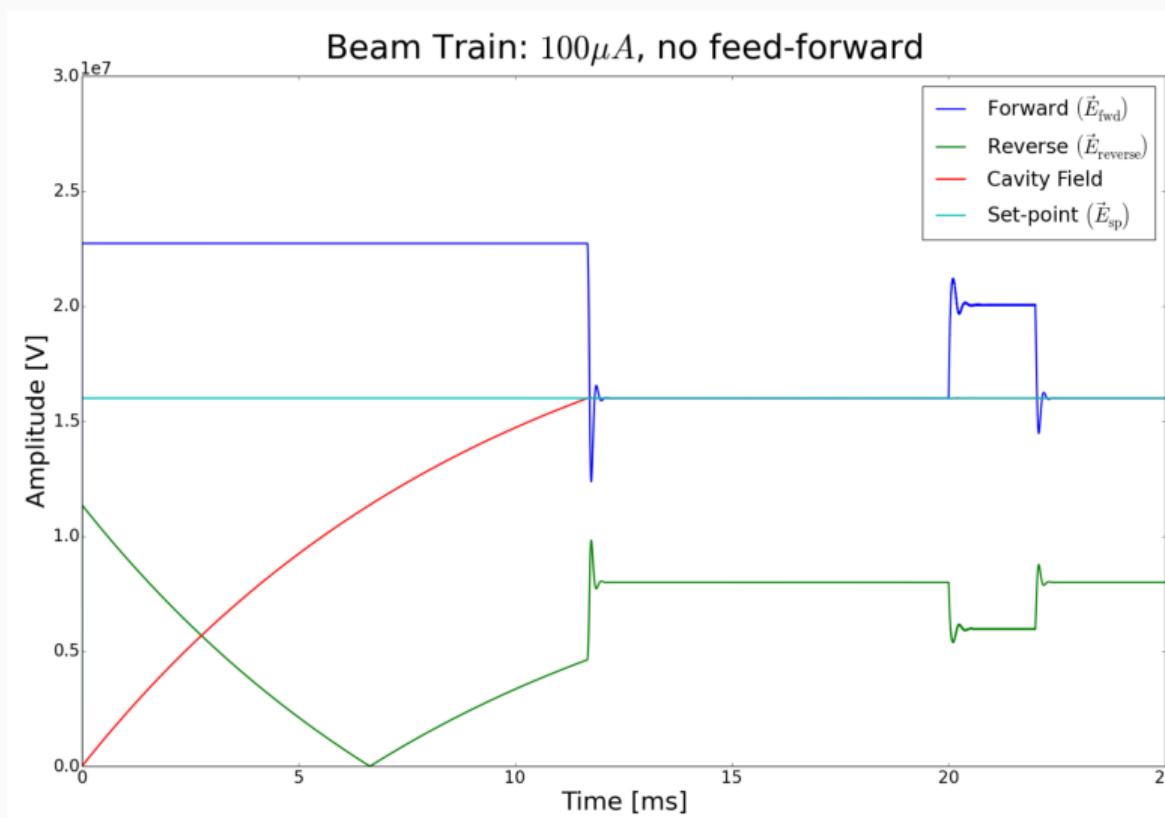
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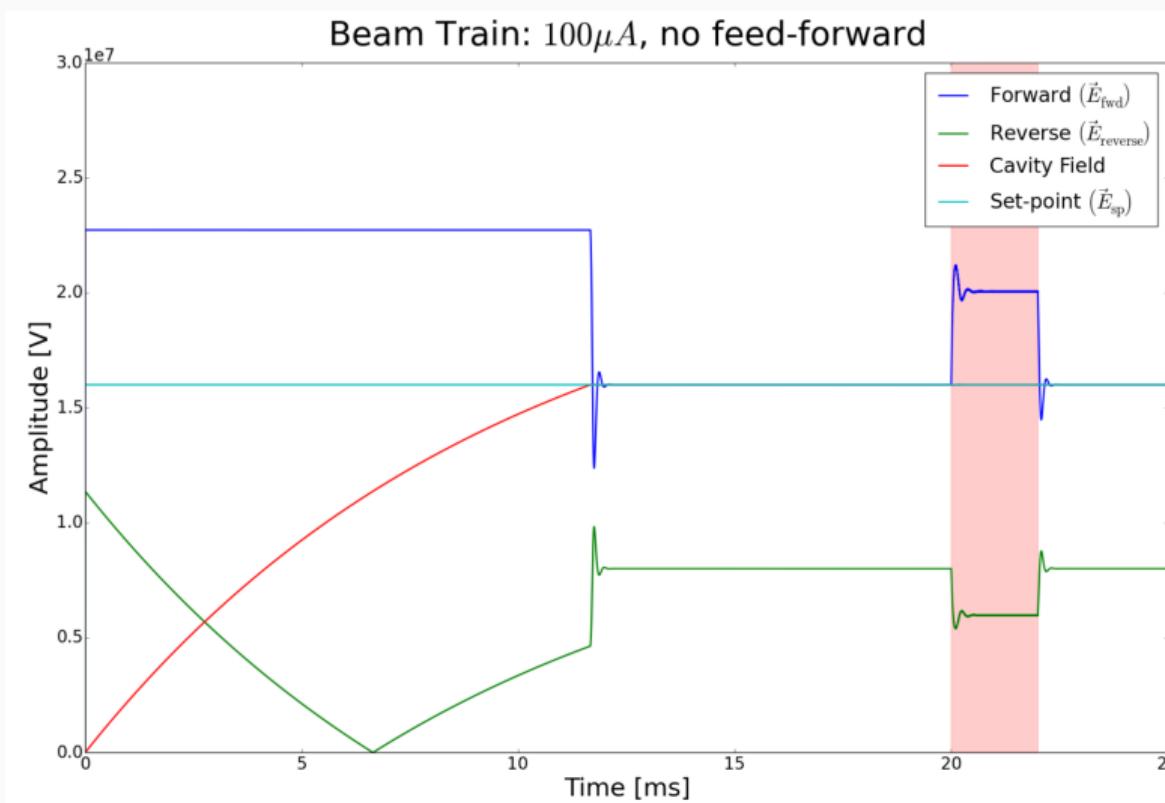
Noise analysis: Beam loading



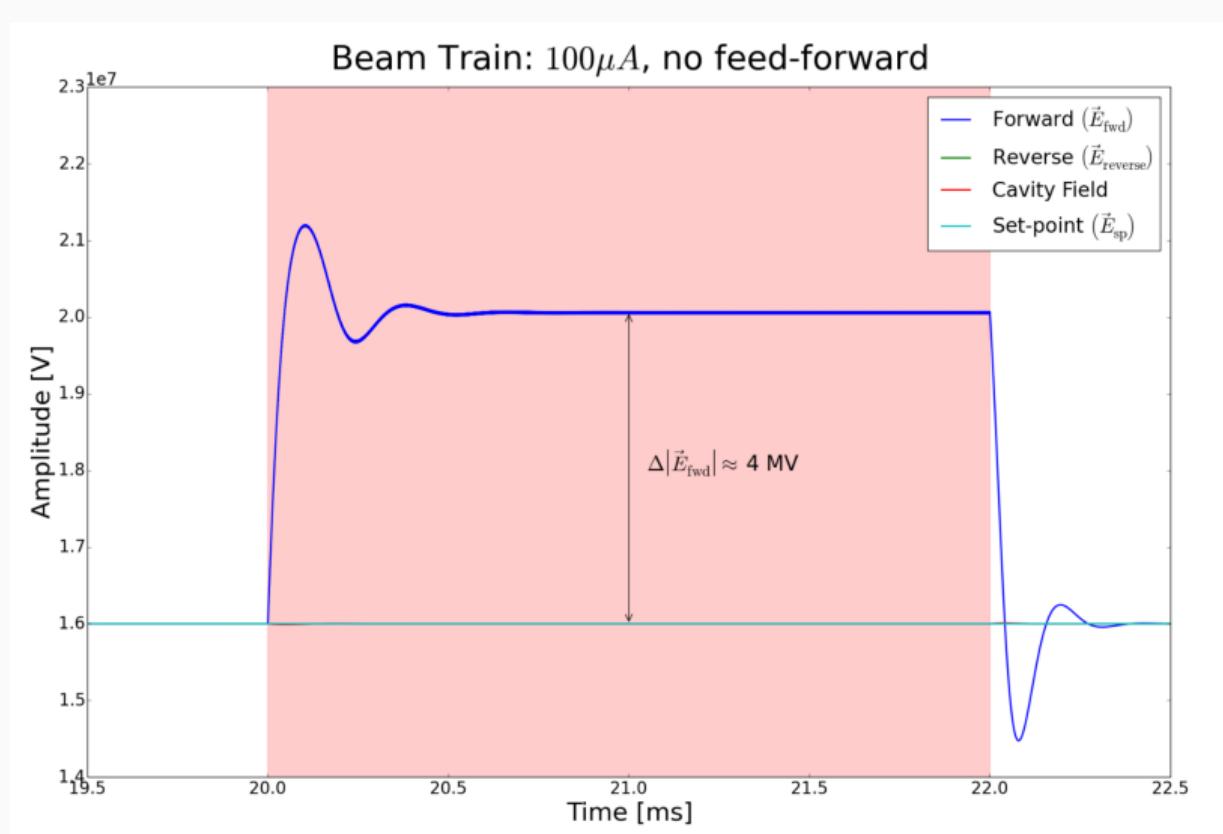
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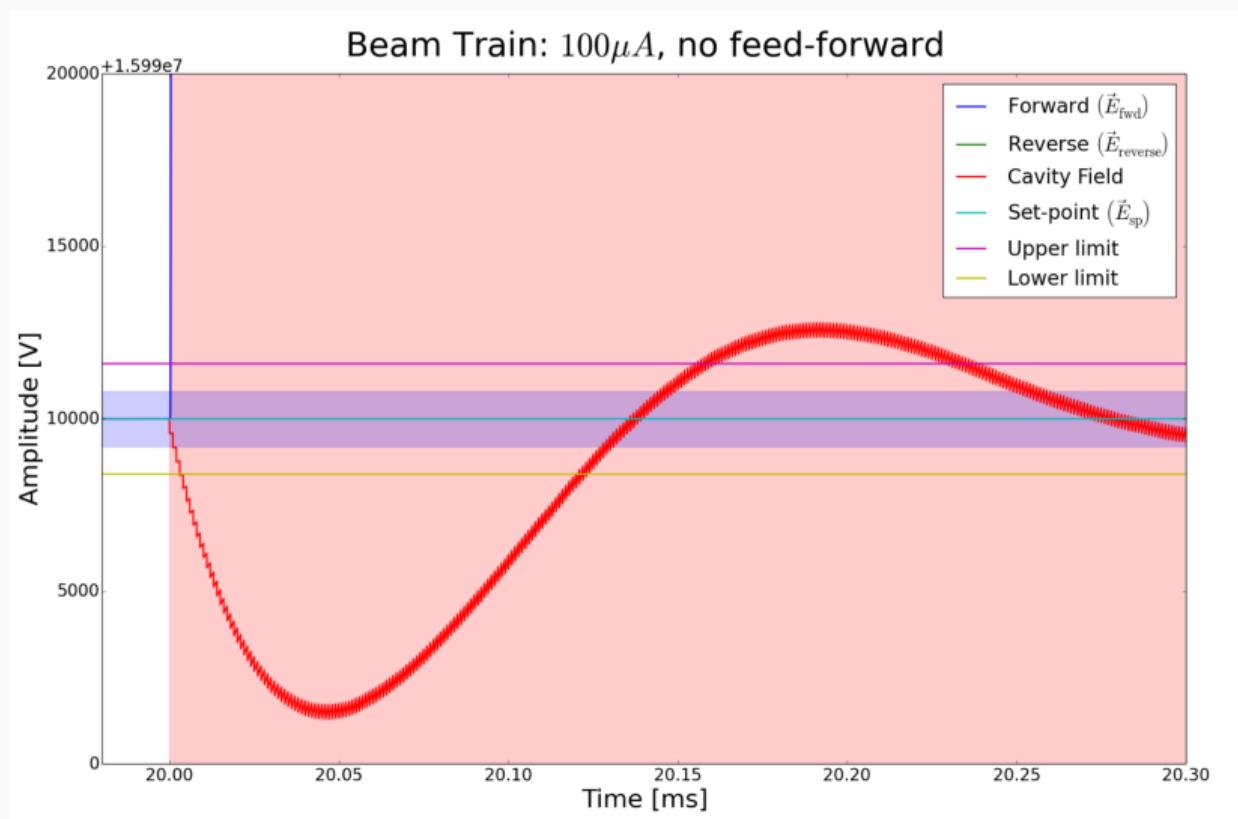
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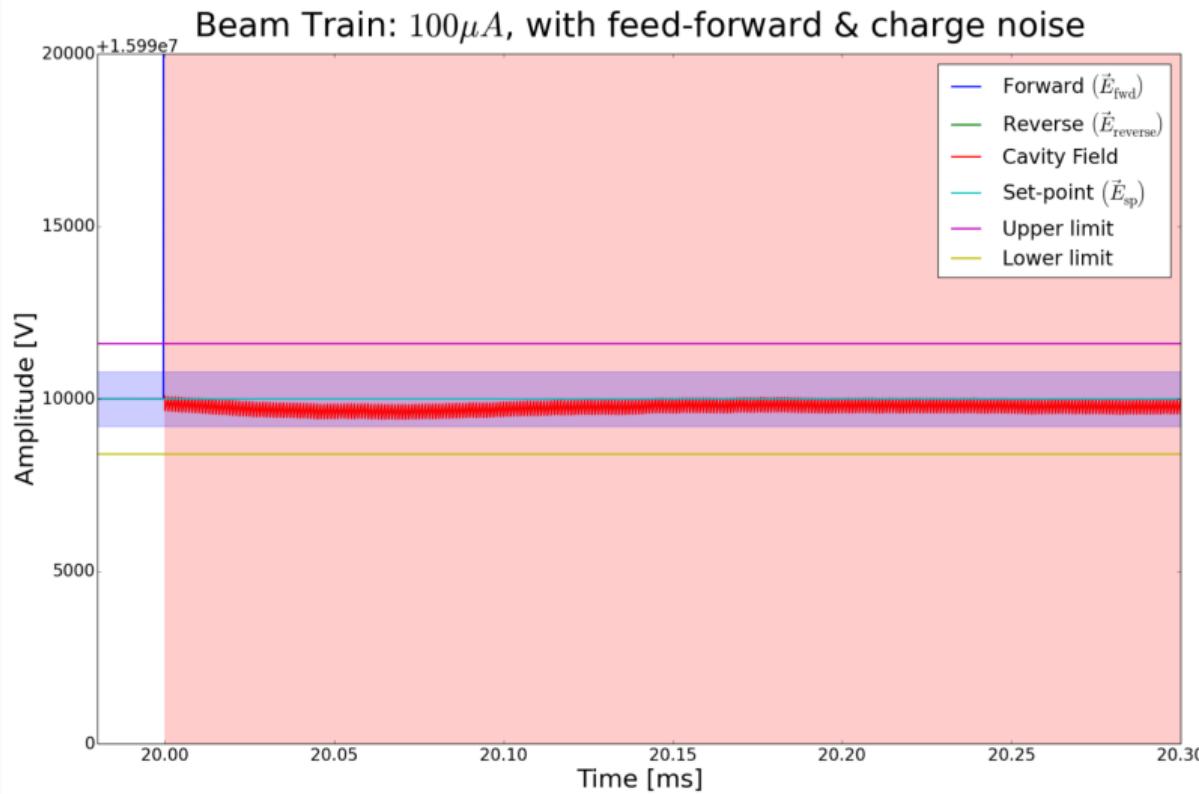
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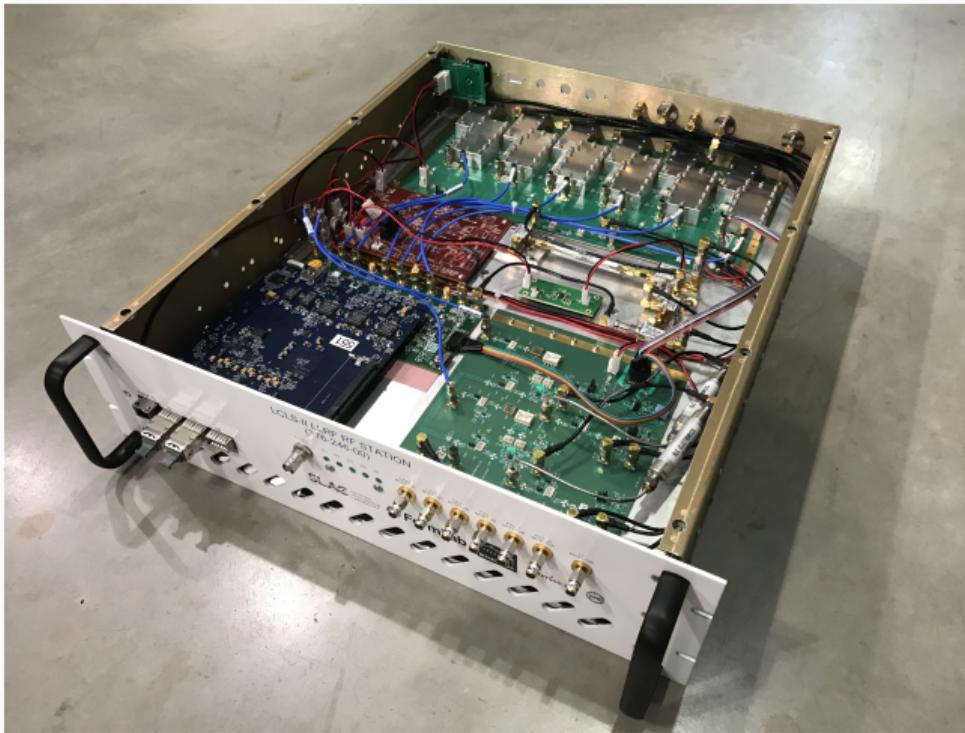


Beam loading



Implementation

LCLS-II LLRF RFS Chassis



Performance results

F1.3-03 Cavity 2 out-of-loop -7.2 dBFS; phase error: 1.63e-03 degrees rms (0.1 Hz - 5.0 kHz) 170705_1730_lcls2

