

# **Low Level RF and Controls**

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# Scope



- **VTS**
  - Cavity testing with automation - stand alone PLL (TD)
- **HTS**
  - Dressed cavity testing - Simcon based,
- **HINS**
  - Fast Ferite Vector Modulator - 325 MHz, SNS/LBNL/FNAL
- **Coupler conditioning**
  - 1.3 GHz and 3.9 GHz - rack and stack
- **RF Unit**
  - Cryomodules, RF distribution, regulation, reference line, automation - Simcon followed by FNAL design (compare and contrast)
- **Photo injector for beam tests**
  - Beam based calibration, beam loading, dynamic response, cryomodule stability, **full system test**
- **Control system for control, automation, data acquisition**

# R&D issues in LLRF for SCRF



- **RF Field Regulation**
  - Maintain **Phase** and **Amplitude** of the accelerating field within given tolerances to **accelerate** a charged particle beam to given parameters
    - up to **0.5%** for amplitude and **0.03 deg.** for phase
- **Minimize klystron Power** needed for control
  - RF system must be reproducible, reliable, operable, and well understood.
  - Active Piezo tuner feedback system
  - HINS- Fast Ferite Vector Modulator control
- **Other performance goals**
  - build-in diagnostics for calibration of gradient and phase, cavity detuning, etc.
  - provide exception handling capabilities
  - meet performance goals over wide range of operating parameters

# Challenges for RF Control



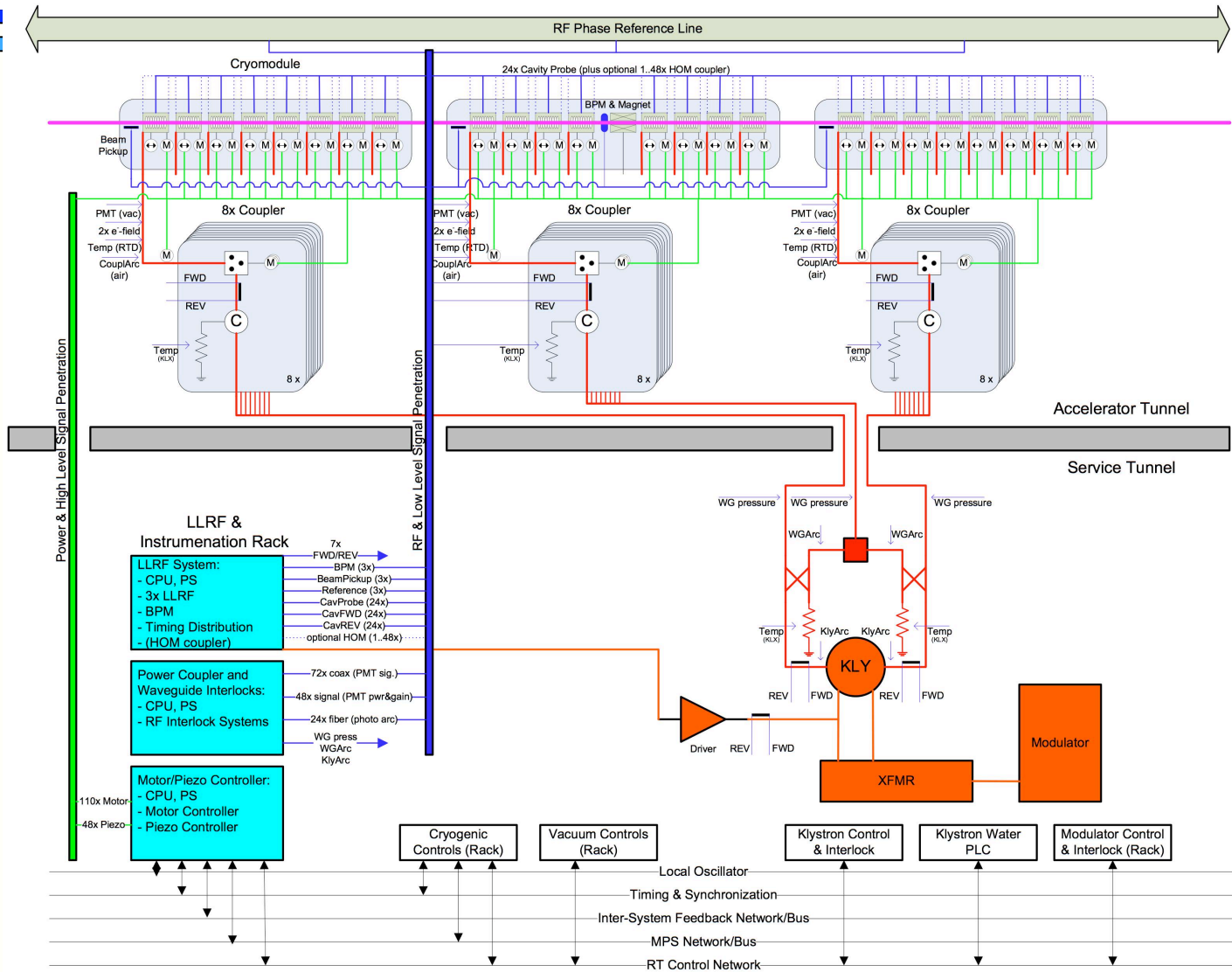
- **Topics**
  - **Vector-Sum Calibration (Ampl. & Phase)**
  - **Operation close to performance limits**
  - **Exception Handling**
  - **Automation of operation**
  - **Piezo tuner lifetime and dynamic range**
  - **Optimal field detection and controller (robust)**
  - **Operation at different gradients**
  - **Defining standards for electronics (such as ATCA)**
  - **Interfaces to other subsystems**
  - **Reliability**

# R&D issues Controls for SCRF

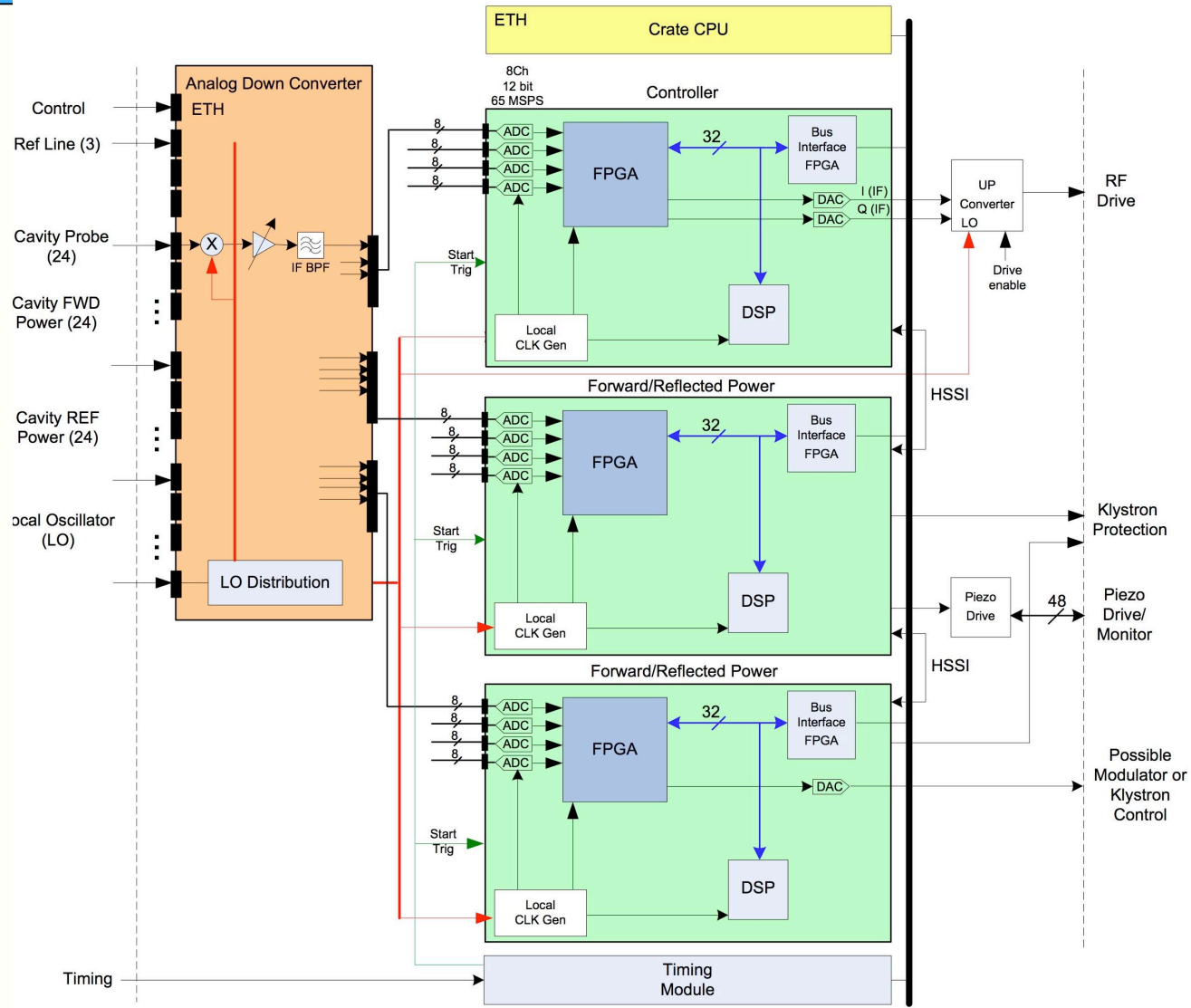


- **Short term development work needed**
  - **Multi-system**
    - Provide a controls system infrastructure that can readily integrate components developed at collaborating institutions. E.g., DESY brings equipment with DOOCS interfaces, INFN with Labview, ANL with EPICS, etc.
  - **Timing**
    - Develop a timing and clock system that are required for first beam operation.
- **Longer term R&D goals**
  - **High Availability**
    - Evaluating ATCA (emerging high availability standard) as a middle layer and/or instrumentation platform
    - Evaluating middleware software techniques including such as service objects architectures for controls systems middleware.
  - **Scalability**
    - R&D needed to configure/control/monitor a control system as complex as the ILC.
  - **Remote operations**
    - Provide a framework which is supportive of remote operations R&D such as locking devices that are needed for autonomous operations.
- **Requirements document** is currently under construction and a first draft can be found at : <http://docdb.fnal.gov/ILC-public/DocDB/ShowDocument?docid=325>

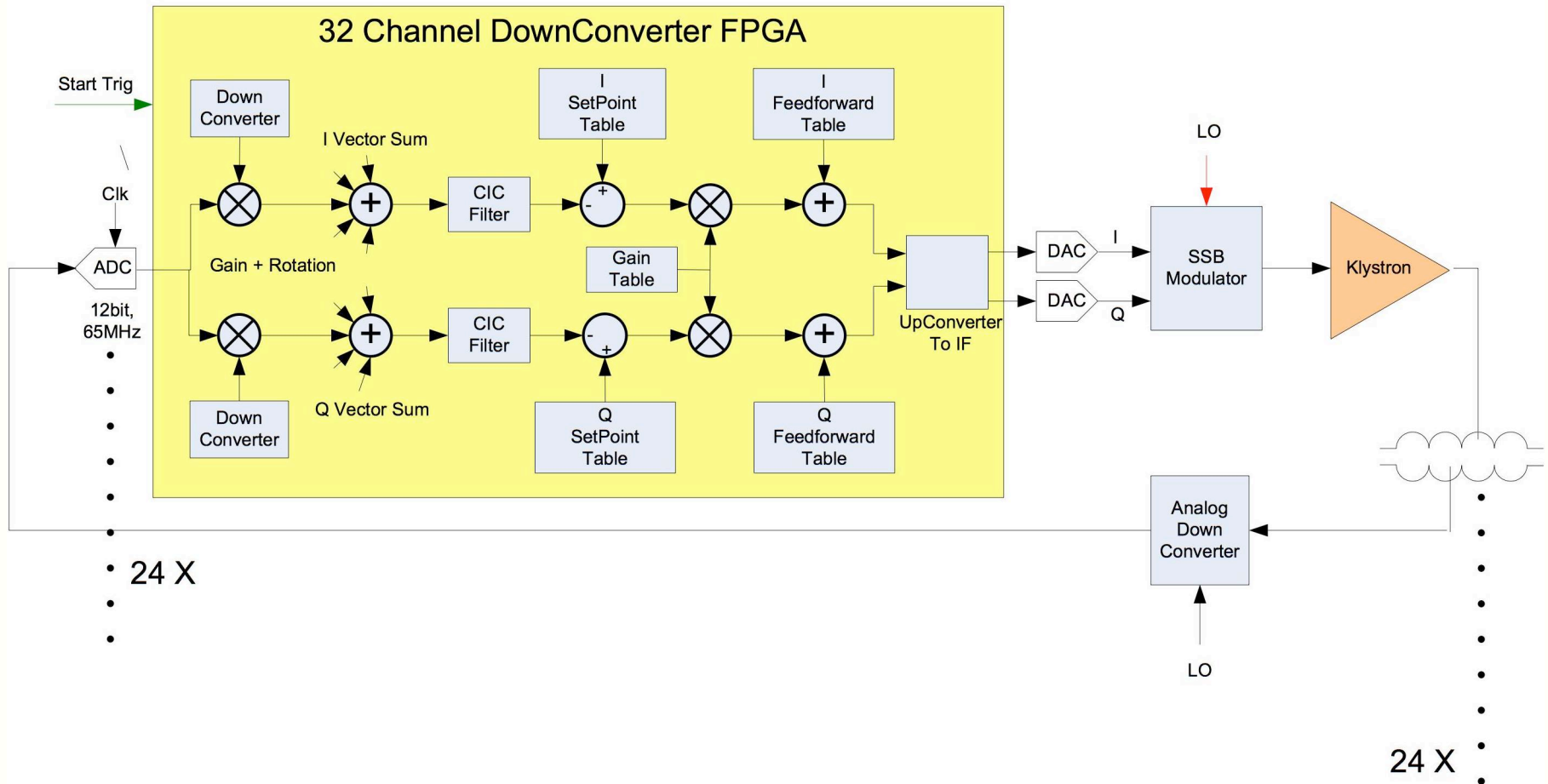
# RF Station with 3 Cryo-modules



# LLRF Rack Detail



# 3 Cryomodule Field Controller





# Sources of Perturbations



o <u>Beam loading</u>	o <u>Cavity dynamics</u>
- Beam current fluctuations	- cavity filling
- Pulsed beam transients	- settling time of field
- Multipacting and field emission	
- Excitation of HOMs	o <u>Cavity resonance frequency change</u>
- Excitation of other passband modes	- thermal effects (power dependent)
- Wake fields	- Microphonics
	- Lorentz force detuning
o <u>Cavity drive signal</u>	
- HV- Pulse flatness	o <u>Other</u>
- HV PS ripple	- Response of feedback system
- Phase noise from master oscillator	- Interlock trips
- Timing signal jitter	- Thermal drifts (electronics, power
- Mismatch in power distribution	amplifiers, cables, power
	transmission system)

# Phase Reference Chain



- **Master Oscillator drives fiber reference(650,1300,3900MHz)**
  - Close in phase noise from MO is coherent across all systems and does not matter to first order
  - Relative phase is critical!
- **Local phase distribution repeats fiber signal without narrow band filters**
  - Filtering is done in the phase measurement process in the LLRF receiver
  - Narrow filters have problems with drift and microphonics
- **Narrow band PLL filtering is used in the generation of the LO which is phase locked to the reference RF**
  - LO noise will be driven to the cavities by the LLRF system
- **Absolute phase of the reference line relative to the LO is measured over 1 ms before the RF pulse**
  - Absolute phase in the LO is not important as long as it is stable over the time frame of phase measurement and the RF waveform ~ 5 ms.

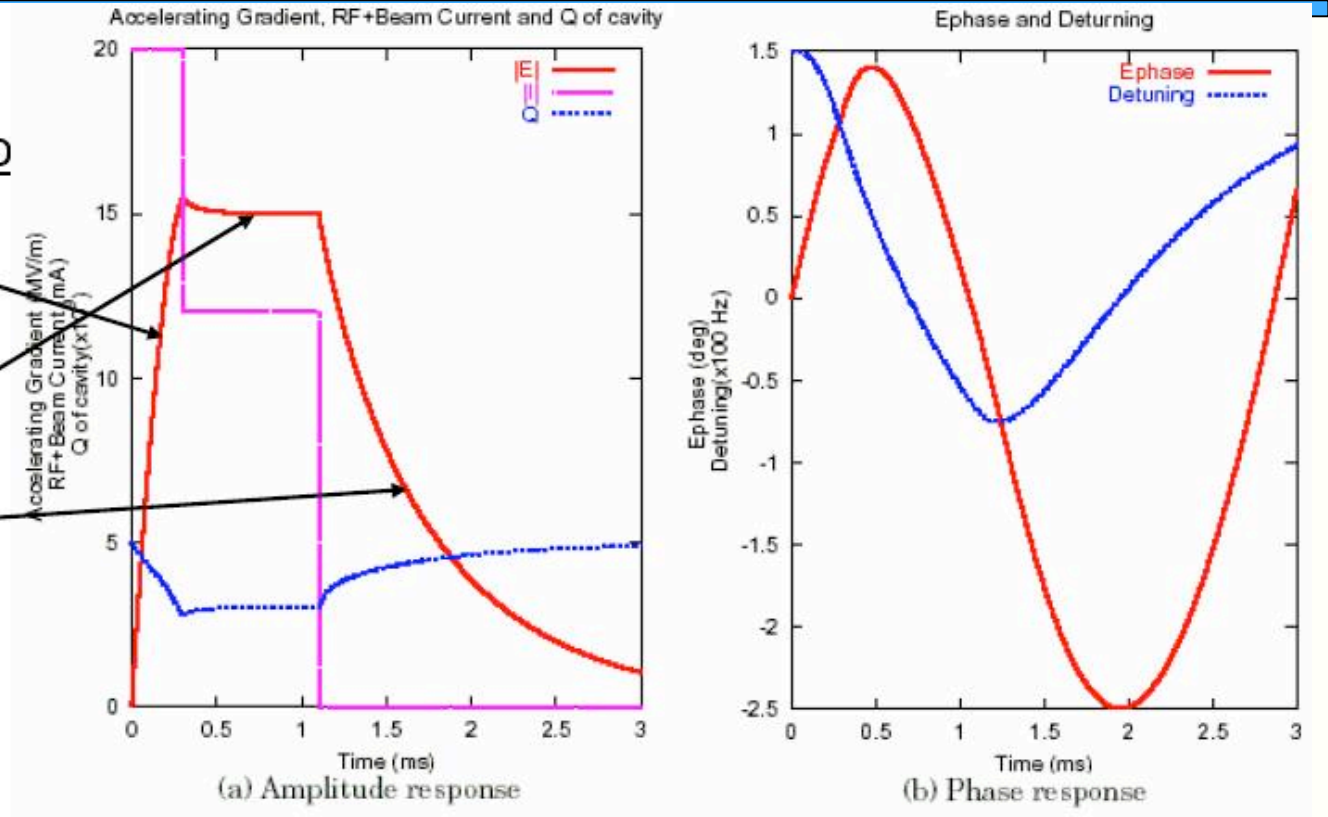
# Real Time Cavity Simulator



## Test run of ILC Cavity Simulator (no beam)

- 1) fill: 0 - 0.3 ms at 20 mA (full power)
- 2) flat-top: 0.3 - 1.1 ms at 12 mA
- 3) cavity emptying, decay curve shows high Q of cavity.

Compare with TESLA cavity measurements:  
**Shapes are similar, model is working.**



IF in these simulations is 50 MHz.

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# Controls and LLRF Collaboration



- FNAL(CD,AD,TD), DESY, Warsaw ELHEP, KEK, ANL, LBL,SNS, SLAC, JLAB,University of Pennsylvania
- **Controls: FNAL, SLAC, ANL, and possible Uofl**
- Weekly telecom for Controls
- Weekly telecom for LLRF
- Weekly telecom for HLRF
- Major design efforts underway for XFEL and test string at FNAL
  - Several high performance controllers being developed
  - Master Oscillator and distribution
  - Real time Cavity Simulator

# Staging LLRF and Controls



- **LLRF and Controls may be staged along with other key components**
  - **BUT...nothing will operate without some version of these systems.**
- **LLRF and Controls R&D are manpower intensive rather than M&S intensive**
- **Reducing manpower below some critical level will seriously hinder progress**
- **LLRF and Controls are tasks that require sustained long term effort for the final system to be meet design goals and be cost effective**
- **Training new people in the field is critical to the success of any large SCRF project**



# Conclusions

- **New technologies in industry allow for the development of the next generation Controls and LLRF systems**
  - **These next generation designs will be very flexible and will apply to light sources and other new machines**
  - **Control systems need green field projects to advance the state of the art**
- **We need these systems to achieve the stated goals of SCRF R&D here at Fermilab**
  - **The performance of these systems directly affect the performance of the accelerator as a whole.**
- **Now is the right time to be developing these systems**
  - **Up front R&D will pay off big in the lifetime of any project**
- **LLRF and Controls are on track to support the current program given the present budget profile**