

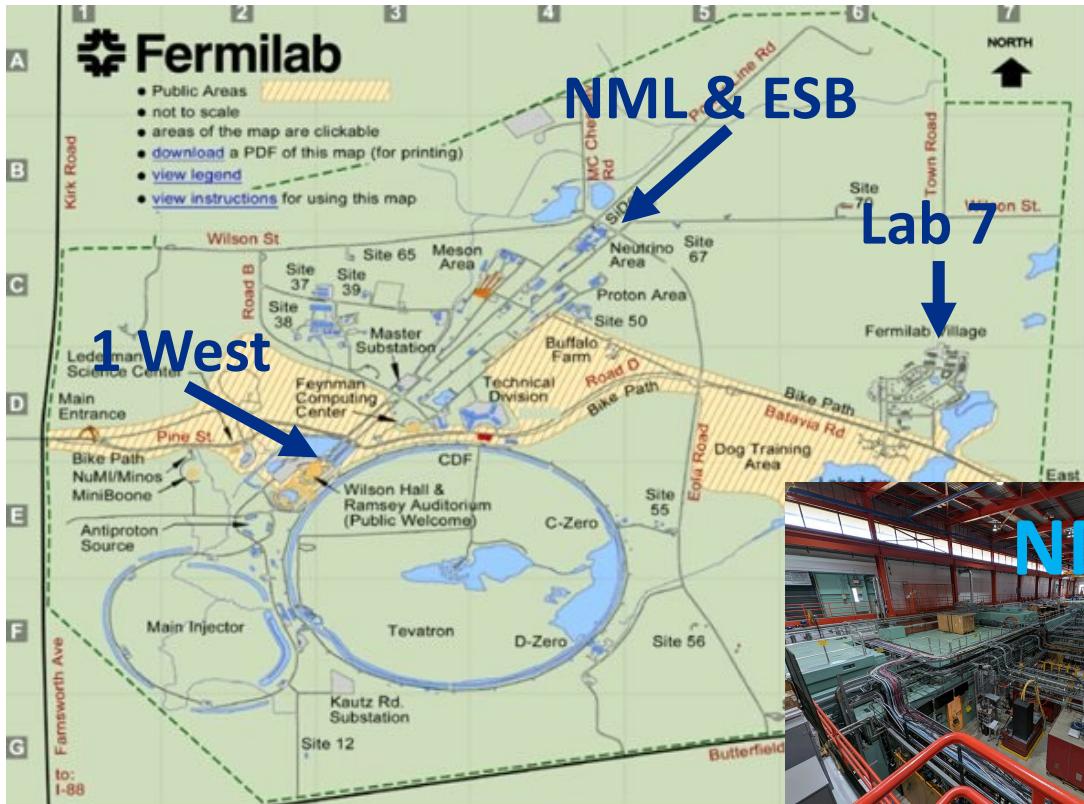


# The IOTA/FAST Facility: Status, Performance, Upgrades

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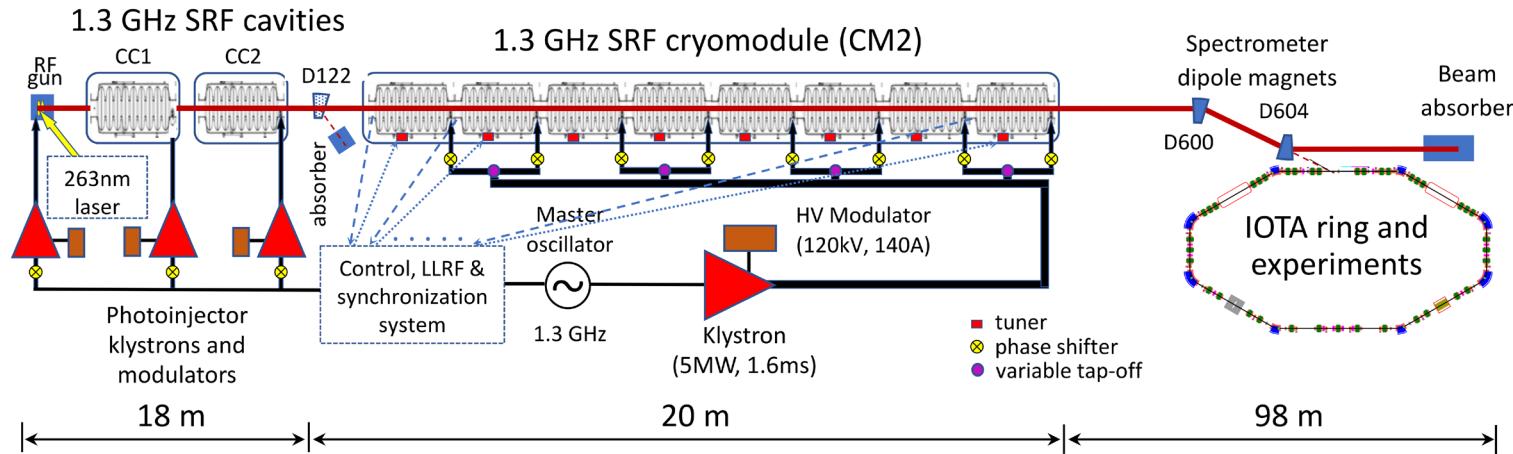


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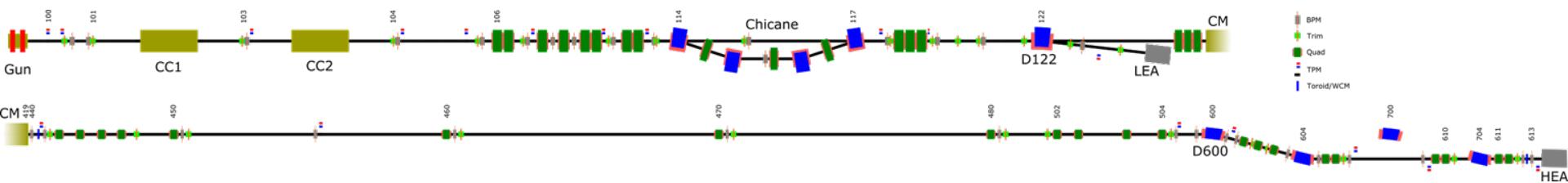


# IOTA/FAST accelerator complex

- FAST is a superconducting linac with photoinjector
- IOTA is a small storage ring
  - FAST can act as an injector of electrons for IOTA

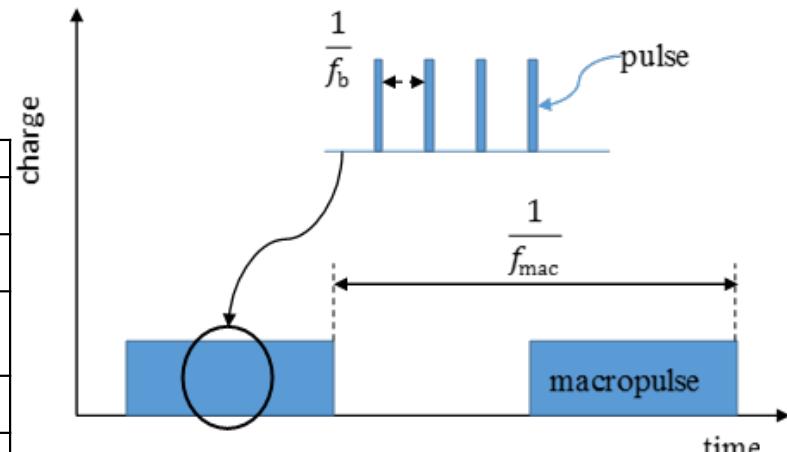


# Electron Linac



The electron injector comprises a number of components, including a 5 MeV electron RF photoinjector, a 25-meter-long low energy ( $\leq 40$  MeV) beamline and a  $\sim 100$ -meter-long high energy ( $\leq 300$  MeV) beamline.

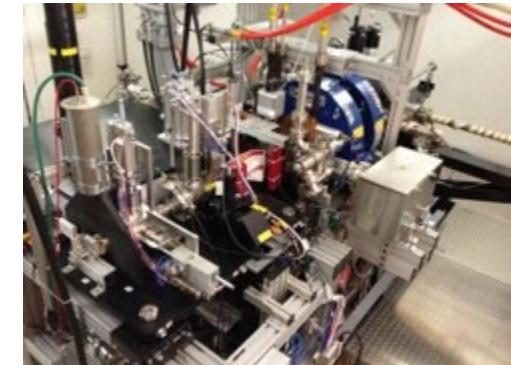
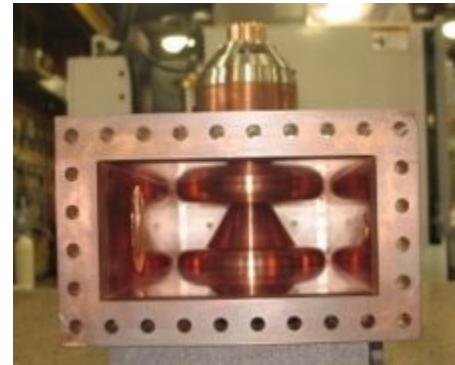
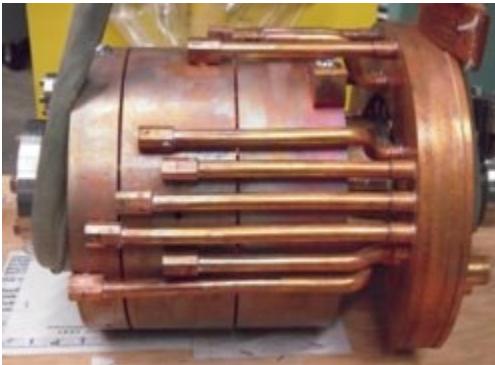
Parameter	Value
Beam Energy	20 MeV – 300 MeV
Bunch Charge	$< 10$ fC – 3.2 nC per pulse
Bunch Train (Macropulse)	0.5 – 9 MHz for up to 1 ms (3000 bunches, 3 MHz nominal)
Bunch Train Frequency	1 – 5 Hz
Bunch Length	Range: 0.9 – 70 ps (Nominal: 5 ps)
Bunch Emittance	Horz: $1.6 \pm 0.2$ $\mu$ m Vert: $3.4 \pm 0.1$ $\mu$ m
50 MeV, 50 pC/pulse	



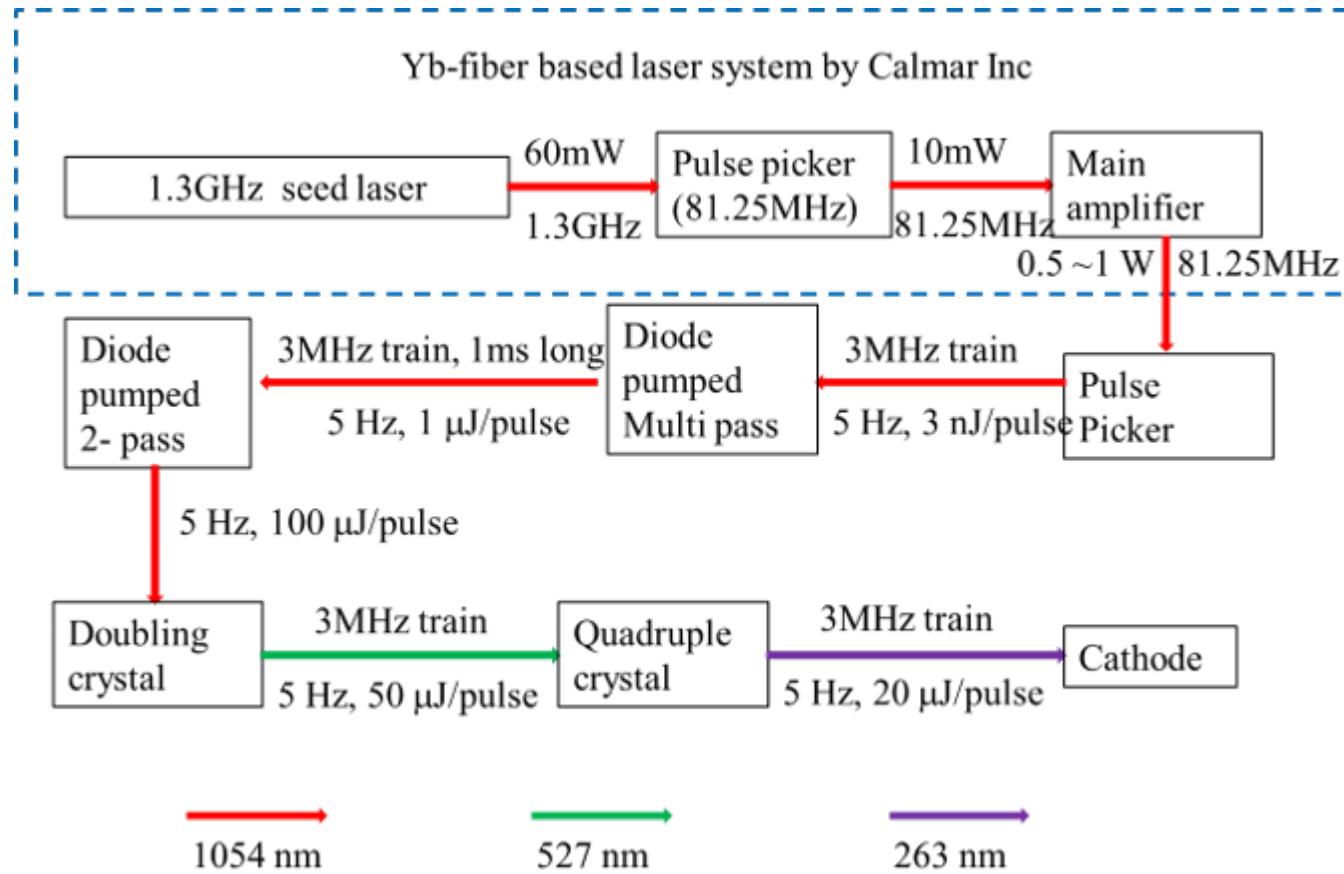
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# Electron Gun

- 1.3 GHz, normal conducting, 1.5 cell copper cavity (DESY/PITZ design)
- Up to 45 MV/m accelerating field at the cathode; requires 5 MW klystron; 20 KW average power at full ILC pulse length and repetition rate
- Cs<sub>2</sub>Te photocathode excited by 263 nm UV laser
- 2 identical solenoids for emittance compensation
- Coaxial RF waveguide coupler
- 3 cavities have been fabricated
  - 1 by DESY – completed and shipped to Fermilab; 1st spare
  - 3 by Fermilab – 1 shipped to KEK; 1 completed and commissioned at NML; 1 as 2nd spare



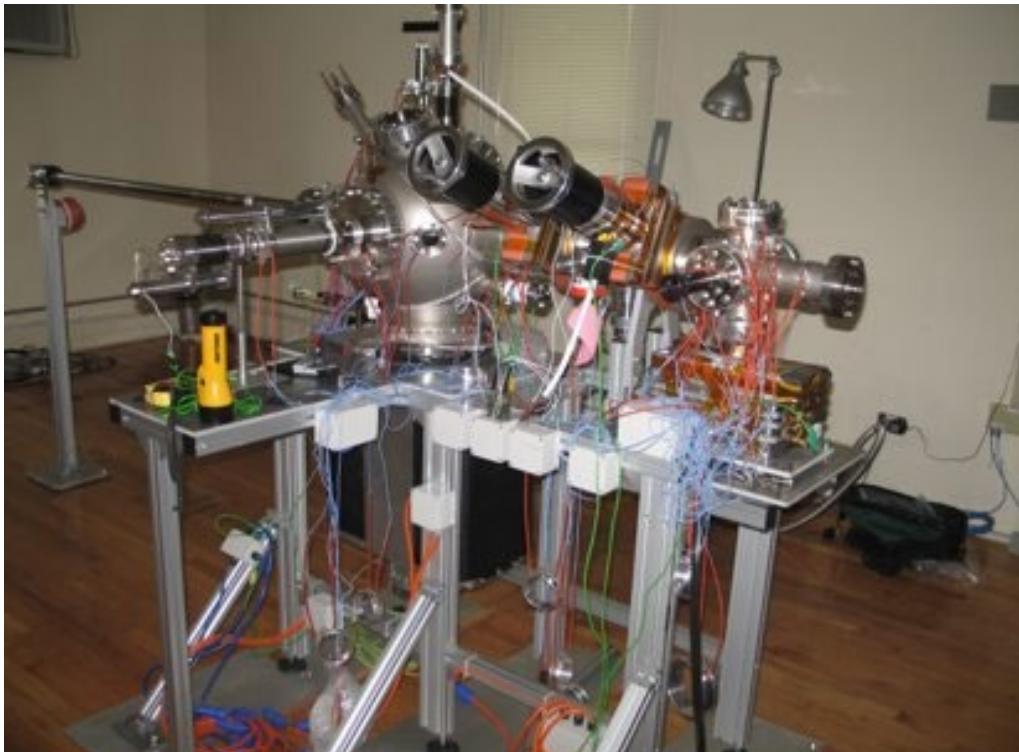
# Laser



# Laser Capabilities/Upgrades

- Nominal laser bunch train is at 3MHz. 9MHz is tested inside laser room.
  - **Higher frequency** is also possible with the current laser configuration. However, the pulse energy is expected to drop linearly with the frequency change.
- Current laser is operated at 1Hz.
  - 5Hz operation is tested for the system as well.
- Seed laser is at 1.3GHz.
  - In principle it is possible to **pick 2 bunches** separated at integer number of spacing( $\sim 720\text{ps}$ ) to do pump probe measurement.
- Have demonstrated pulse shaping (IPAC2015 MOPMA043)

# Cathode Preparation



Cathode preparation chamber at Lab 7

- Cathode chambers were fabricated at INFN Milano, Daniele Sertore
  - Preparation chamber
  - Transport chamber
  - Transfer chamber



Newborn  
vs.  
6 year old

# Capture Cavities

- Two 1.3 GHz 9-cell SRF cavities
  - CC1 at 17 MV/m (down from 27)
  - CC2 at 14 MV/m (down from 17)
- Max beam energy of up to  $\sim$  35 MeV

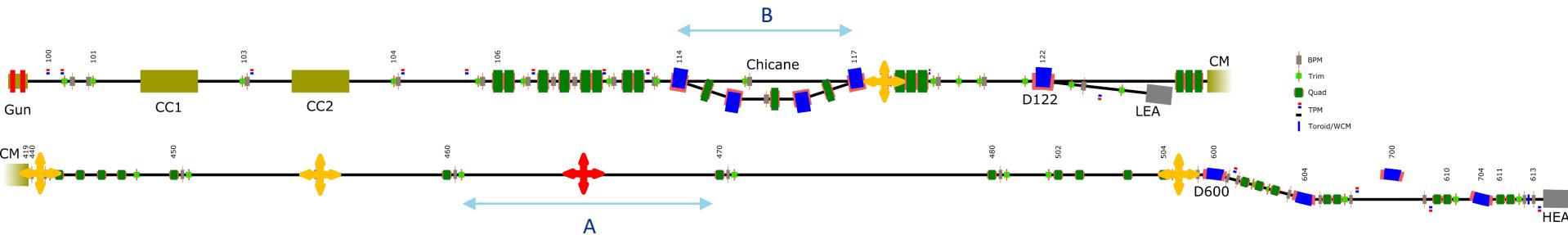


# High Energy Beamline

- CM commissioned. ILC goal reached. 250 plus MeV for beam.
- Currently we did 500 bunches at 3MHz maximum.
- Several beam line locations are available for R&D.
- Possible space for more R&D.
  - Undulator
  - High energy chicane



# Linac Dimensions



A – 16m in 8 x 2m vacuum segments

B – 2.8m

⊕ – Instrumentation Crosses

✖ – New Instrumentation Cross for ~32m spacing after cryomodule

# FAST Linac Instrumentation

- BPMs
  - Capable of doing bunch by bunch monitoring at 3MHz
  - Can handle charge from 50pC to 3.2nC with different gain setting
- Transverse profile monitors
  - Live display
- Longitudinal profile measurement
  - Streak camera
  - Ceramic gap (non-interruptive)
- Charge measurement
  - Faraday cup, Wall current monitor
- HOM detector with Capture cavity and CM

# IOTA With Electrons

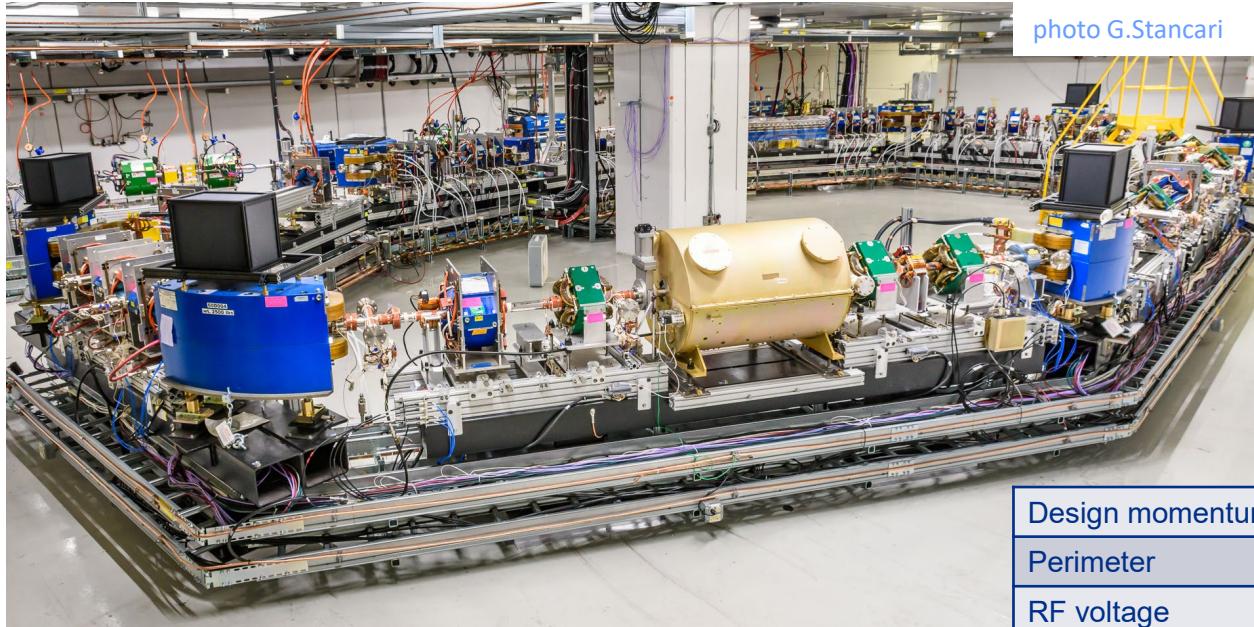
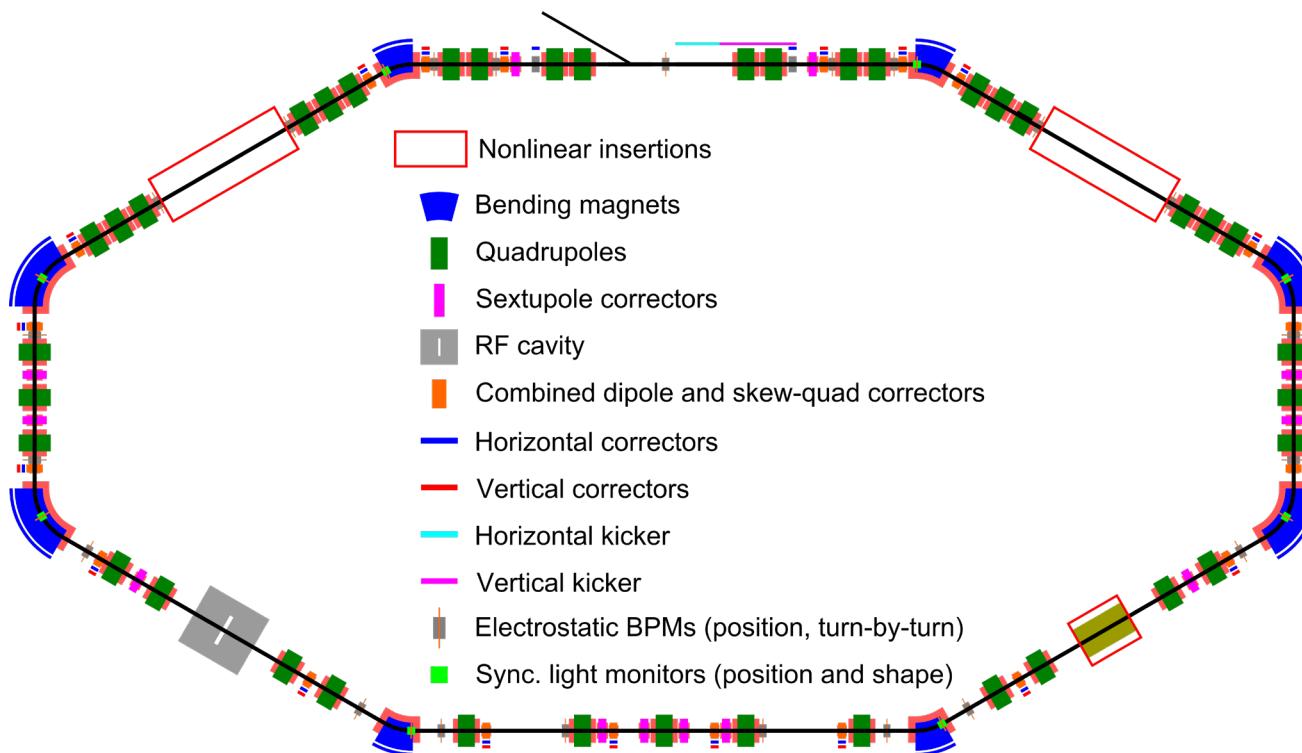


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Design momentum	50-150 MeV
Perimeter	40 m
RF voltage	300 V
RF frequency	30 MHz
3 Experimental sections	2x180 cm, 1x150 cm
Main vacuum chamber aperture (R)	25 mm
Lambertson and kickers aperture (R)	20 mm

# IOTA Layout



# IOTA Main Components

Lambertson magnet	1	Horizontal, injection in vertical plane
Kickers	1 hor. & 1 vert.	Horizontal for studies only
Main dipoles	4x60 deg & 4x30 deg	Powered in series with Lambertson
Quads	39	Powered in pairs with individual shunts
Trims	Hor.	8 In main dipoles
	Vert.	2 For injection bump
	Hor.	20
	Vert.	20 Combined correctors
Skew-quads	20	
Pickups	21	Turn-by turn position
Sync. light monitors	8	Shape and position
RF	1	Dual frequency
Solenoid	1	For electron and McMillan lenses
Sextupoles	12	In six families
DCCT	1	Precision calibrated DC beam current
Wall current monitor	1	Bunch currents and longitudinal shape

# IOTA Capabilities with Electrons

- Commissioned momentum between 50 and 150 MeV/c
- Wide range of beam currents:  $1e^-$  to 4 mA
- Versatile set of diagnostics tools
- Individual control of all magnets
- Developed set of software tools for new lattice commissioning
  - Takes 3-4 shifts to fully commission a new IOTA configuration
    - Injection matching, including FAST linac tuning
    - LOCO based lattice correction (beta beating 5% or better)
    - Beam based centering in various elements (50 um in the location of interest, 500um RMS around the ring)
- Robust save/restore capabilities for quick switching between different experiments
- Good vacuum conditions
- Flexible access to the in-tunnel components

# Beam Diagnostics

- Optical diagnostics
  - Digital cameras
    - Up to 130 FPS (with ROI)
    - Single electron sensitivity (@ 500 ms exposure)
    - Software and hardware triggering
  - Streak camera
  - PMTs
  - SPADs
  - Convenient installation and commissioning of custom optical instruments
- Electrostatic BPMs
- DCCT
- Wall-current monitor
- Loss monitors

# Lattice correction accuracy

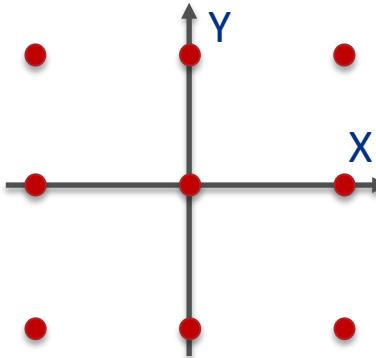
- NIO experiments are the most demanding in terms of lattice tuning precision:

Betas at the DN magnet	1%
Overall beta beating	3%
Dispersion	1 cm
Closed orbit at insertion	50 um
Phase advance errors	0.001

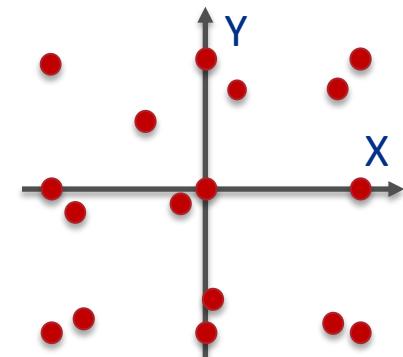
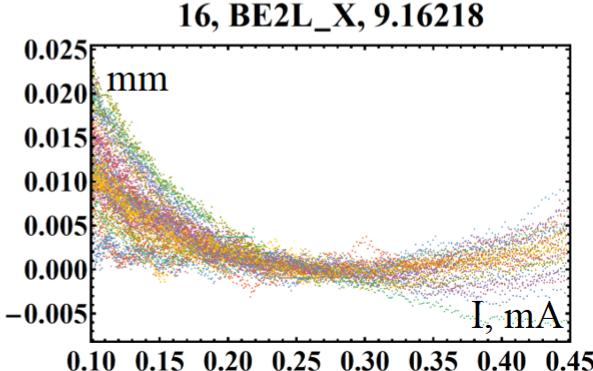
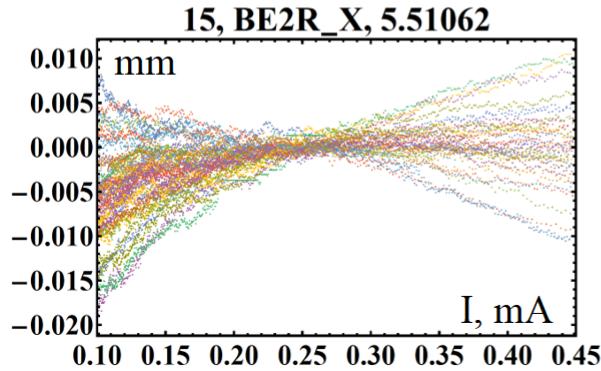
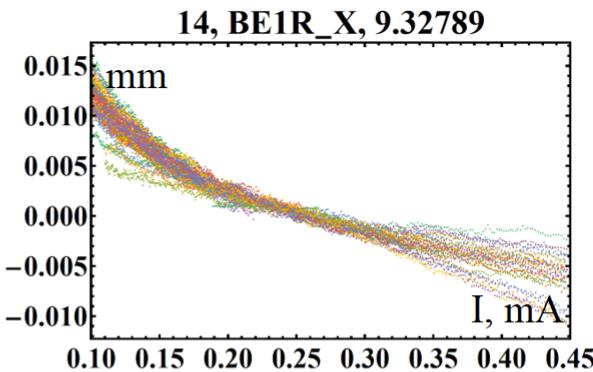
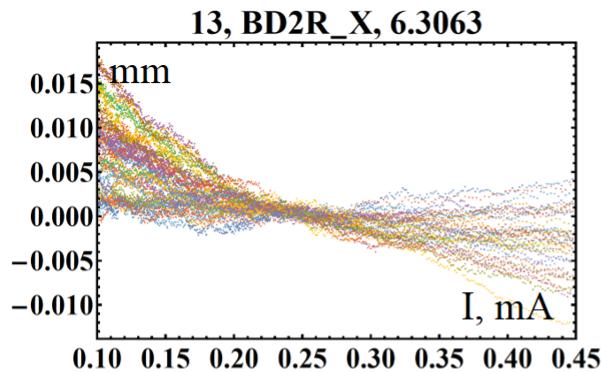
- Accuracy of the closed orbit responses must be 1 um at amplitude of 1mm as shown by modeling LOCO corrections of random lattice errors
  - Lattice was assumed to be linear, i.e. no sextupoles, fringe fields etc.

# BPMs calibrations

- A set of closed orbit samples was measured with the goal to map pickups current dependance around ideal closed orbit position.
  - 2 trims for each plane were selected with  $\sim\pi/2$  phase shift to produce non-zero displacement in each BPM
  - ACNET glitches interfered significantly with data acquisition (stale readouts)
    - Partly recovered using logs
  - A total of 39 closed orbit in a current range of 0.1-0.5mA were recorded



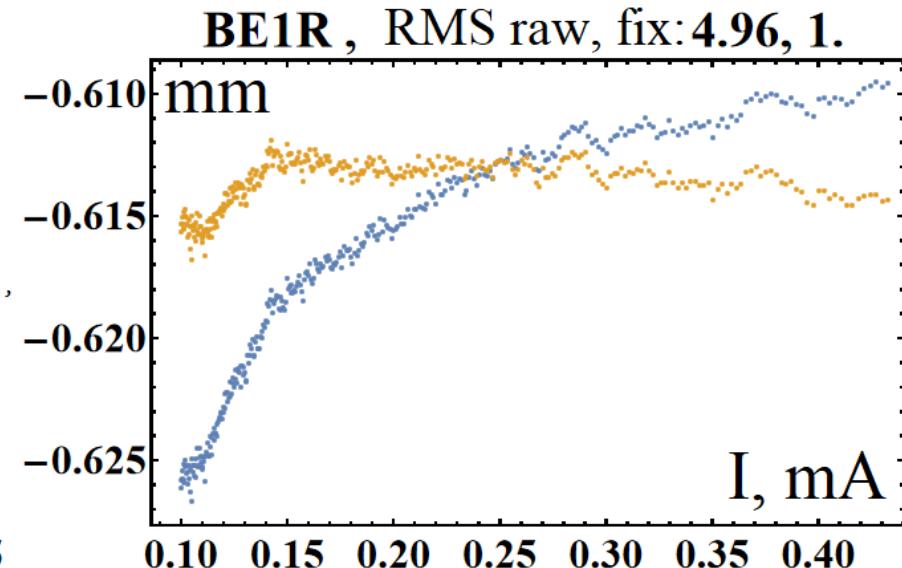
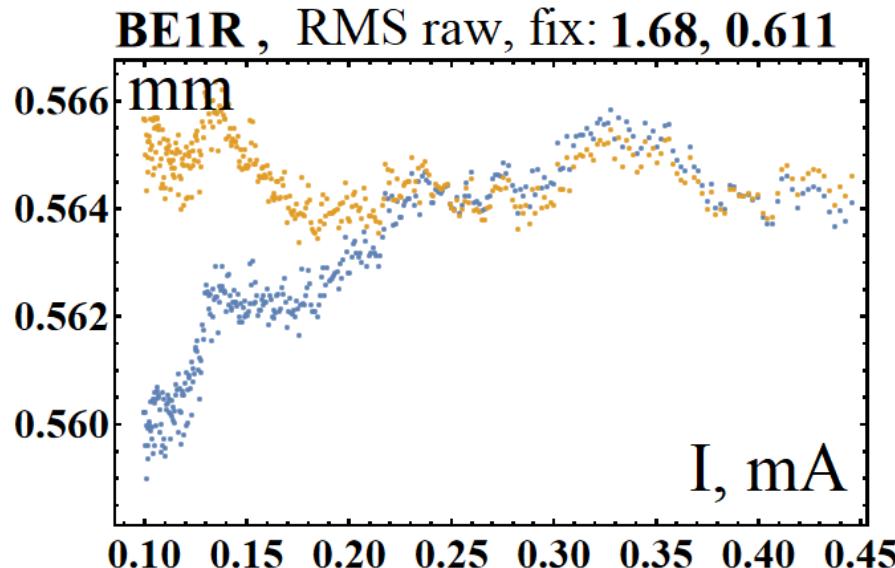
# Sample of raw data



$$Z_{\text{fix},i} = C_{0i} + C_{1i} I + C_{2i} I^2 + C_{3i} I^3$$

$$C_{k,i} = M_{k,i} + N_{k,i} X + K_{k,i} Y$$

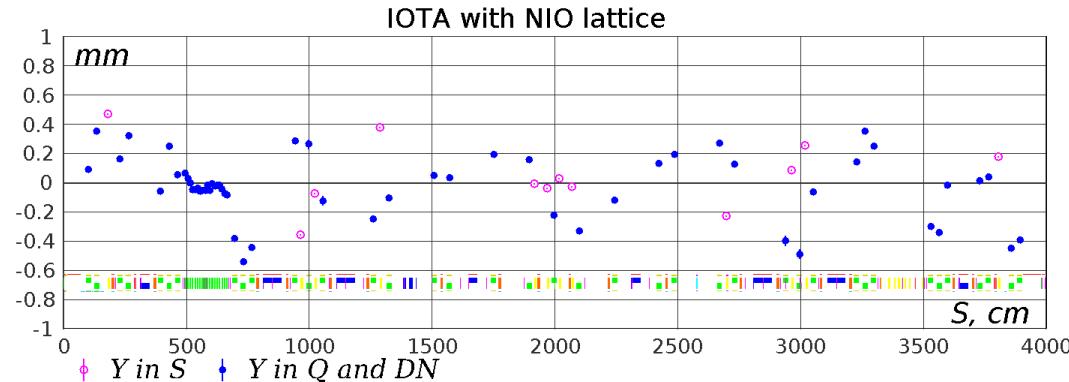
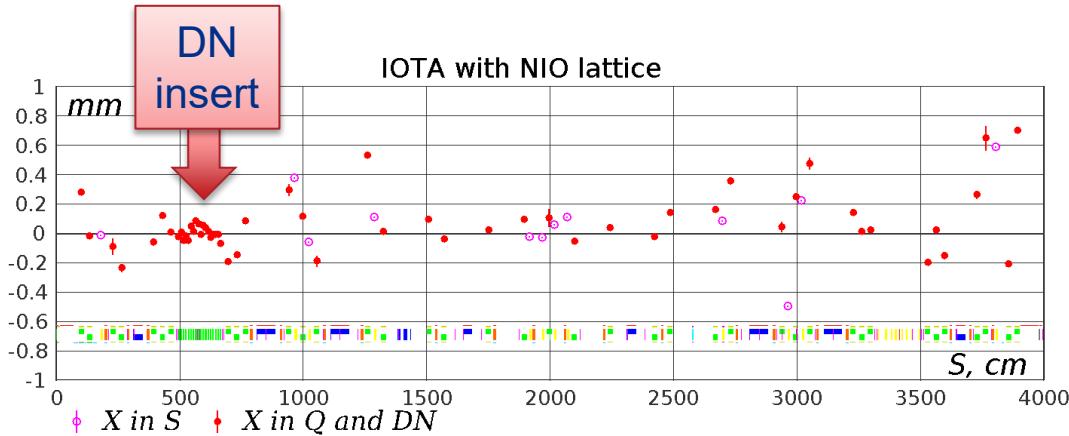
## Sample of raw data with and without correction



- Current dependent calibration reduced RMS spread in the optimal current range:  
**from 2.75 um to 0.85 um on average**

# Example of closed orbit after correction

- RMS orbit deviation in DN magnets with optimal orbit correction:
  - X: 41 um
  - Y: 30 um
- RMS orbit deviation in quads and sextupoles:
  - X: 250 um
  - Y: 260 um



# Lattice correction accuracy

- During Run-4 significant amount of time was dedicated to improving lattice correction accuracy.
- The resulted lattice tuning accuracy as derived from independent measurements, turn-by-turn tracking of a kicked beam:

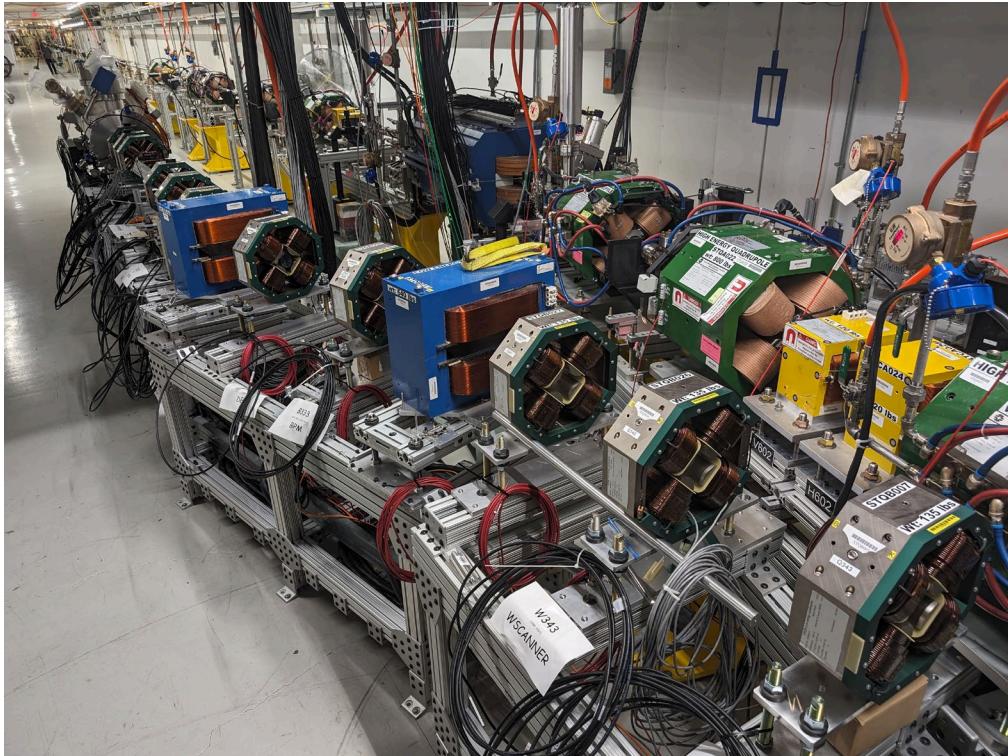
	Goal	After correction
Betas at the DN magnet	1%	2% *
Overall beta beating	3%	2%
Dispersion	1 cm	0.5(2) cm
Closed orbit at insertion	50 um	40(5) um
Phase advance errors	0.001	0.0010(5)

- A set of knobs was developed for manual tuning of all main lattice parameters orthogonal with respect to each other

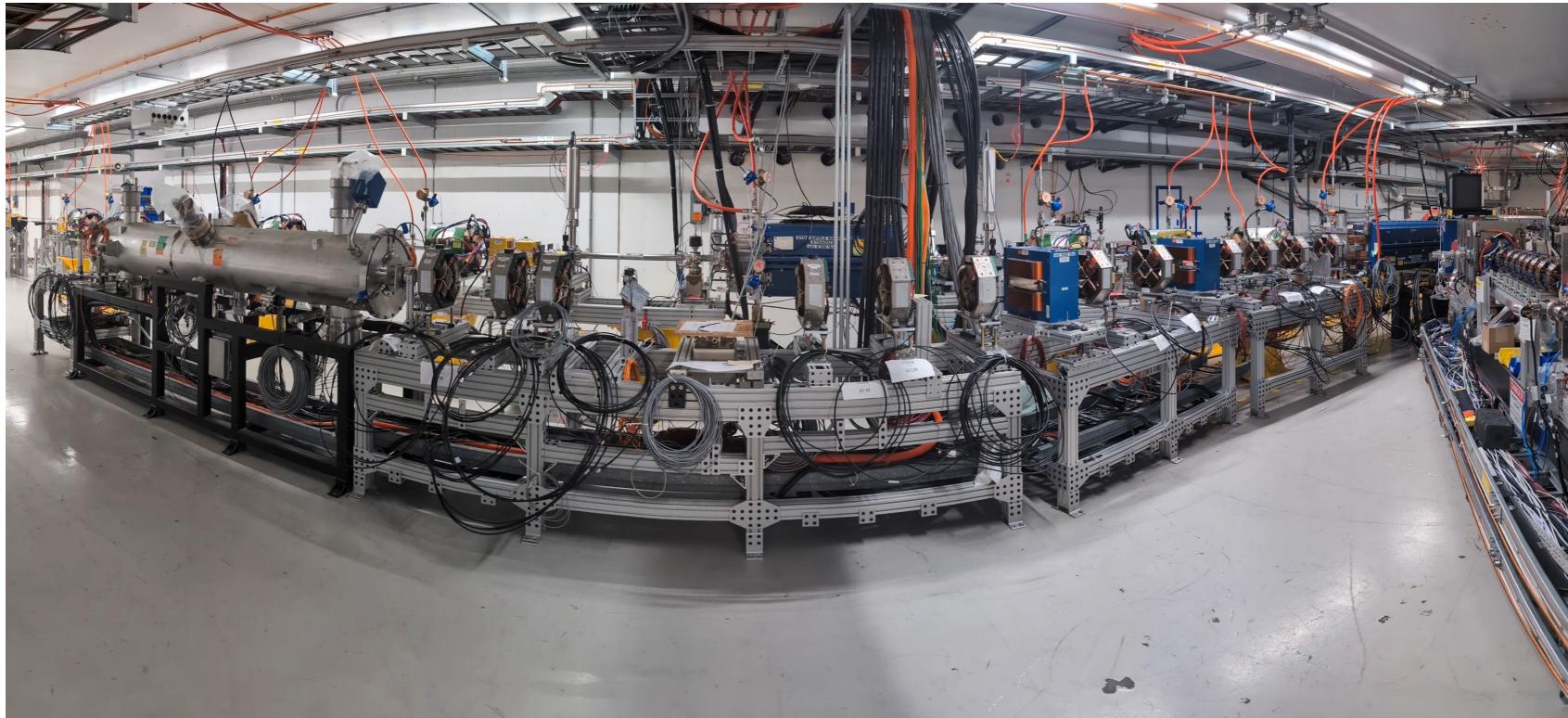
\* Residual magnetization of the DN magnets have strong effect and can easily worsen lattice tuning if not degaussed properly

# Proton injector construction

- LEBT
  - Proton source tests will start during the next few weeks
- RFQ and RF
  - RFQ is roughly aligned
  - RF distribution lines are nearing completion
  - High-level RF is being constructed
  - Work on low-level RF system is hindered by lack of available experts
- MEBT
  - All main magnets are installed, ready for fine alignment
  - Vacuum system assembly is underway, with completion planned for early May
  - Cables are pulled and being distributed and terminated



# Proton injector construction



# Next upgrades and experiments

- The FAST team is understuffed, we need
  - Electronics specialist
  - Engineering physicist (hired, waiting for US visa)
  - Technician
- Experiments
  - NIO with protons
  - Active OSC
  - GREENS
  - Electron lens
- Facility
  - Laser lab at ESB
  - Refurbishing and/or replacing power supplies
  - Collaboration with ACORN project for testing improved controls

# Summary

- Recent improvements brought IOTA capabilities up and beyond the original expectations
  - Several issues found during the in-depth performance analysis and optimization will be addressed before and during the next runs
- FAST linac, especially superconducting cavities and infrastructure, shows signs of degradation, but remain functional and suitable for wide range of experiments
  - Maintenance procedures are scheduled for the current shutdown to facilitate smooth operations during the following runs
- Proton injector is actively constructed, commissioning of the first subsystems will begin shortly