

Operational Status and Future Project of the KEK Photon Factory

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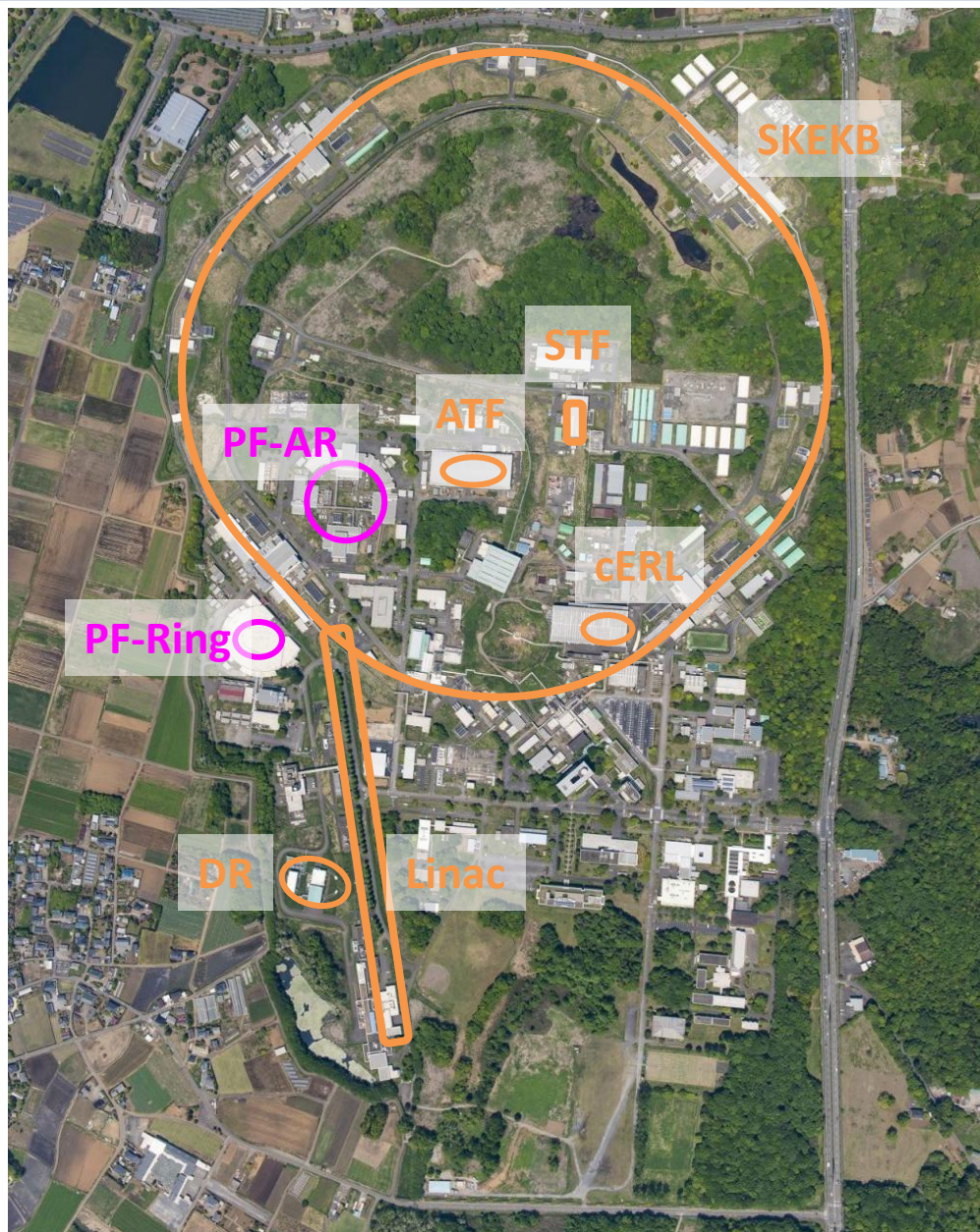
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Electron Accelerators at the KEK Tsukuba Campus

- SKEKB
 - HER
 - LER
- Linac
 - Damping Ring
- ATF
- STF
- cERL
- PF-Ring } Photon Factory
- PF-AR }



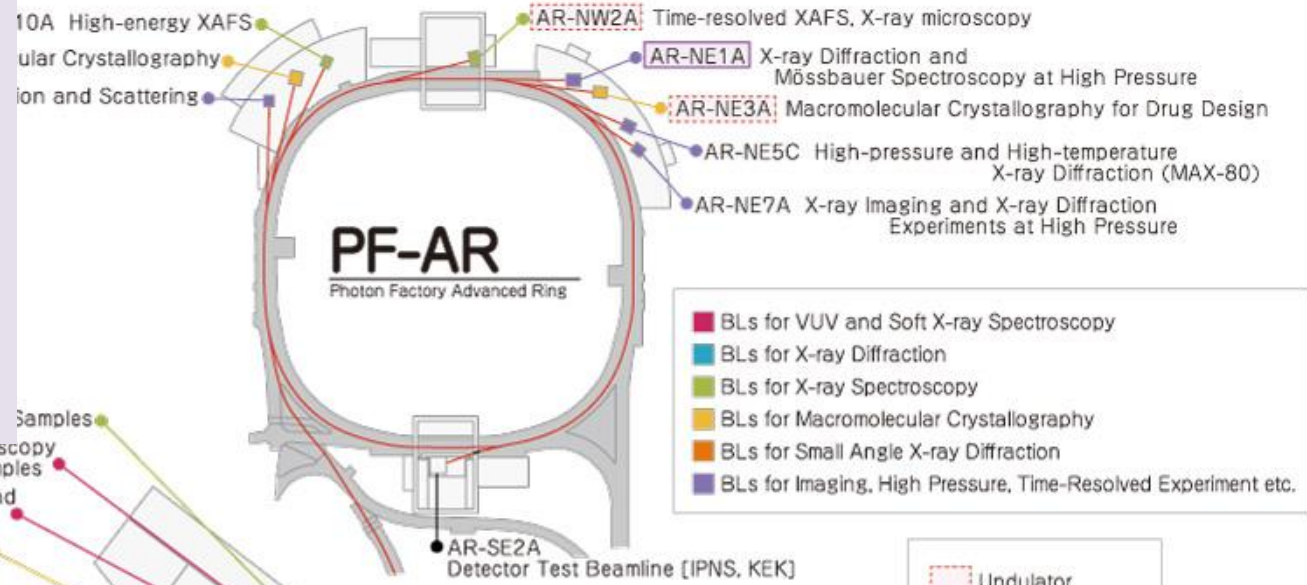
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Ibaraki, Japan

Beamlines of Photon Factory

PF-AR

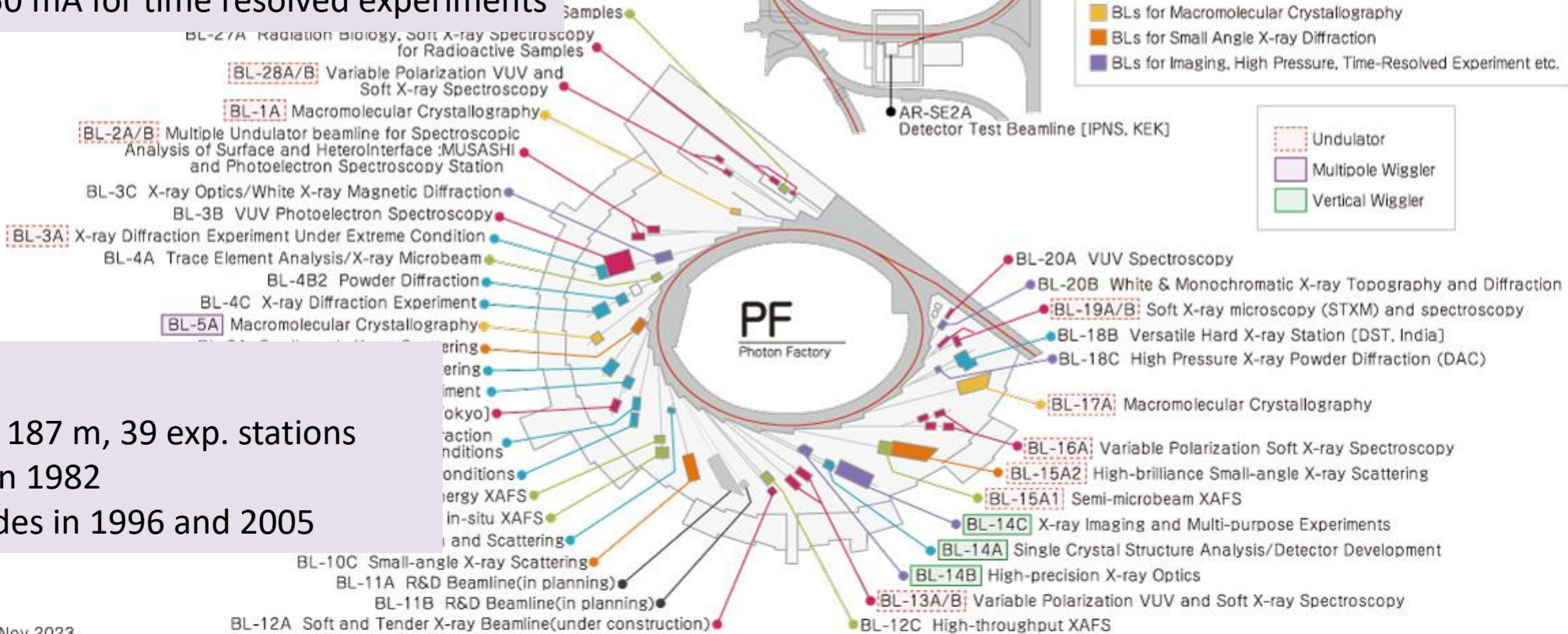
E=5-6.5 GeV, $\epsilon=293$ nmrad, C=377 m, 8 exp. stations + Detector Test Beamline (with IPNS/KEK)

- Constructed as accumulator ring (AR) for the TRISTAN accelerator chain, and SR operation started in 1987
- Always operated in single bunch mode with high intensity beam of 50 mA for time resolved experiments



■	BLs for VUV and Soft X-ray Spectroscopy
■	BLs for X-ray Diffraction
■	BLs for X-ray Spectroscopy
■	BLs for Macromolecular Crystallography
■	BLs for Small Angle X-ray Diffraction
■	BLs for Imaging, High Pressure, Time-Resolved Experiment etc.

□	Undulator
□	Multipole Wiggler
□	Vertical Wiggler



PF-Ring

2.5 GeV, $\epsilon= 35$ nmrad, 187 m, 39 exp. stations

- Operation started in 1982
- Twice major upgrades in 1996 and 2005

History of PF-Ring and PF-AR



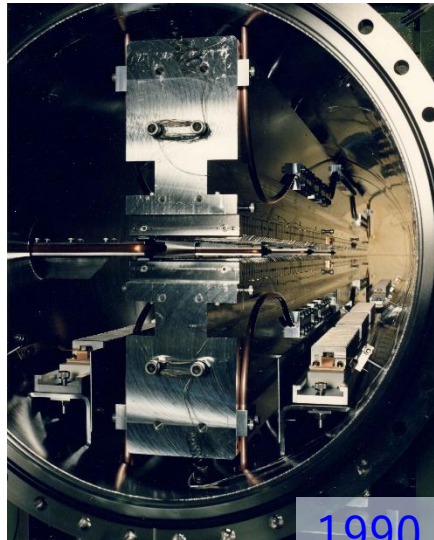
PF-Ring (2.5 GeV)

1982 460 nm.rad → 1986 128 nm.rad → 1997 36 nm.rad → 2005 Straight sections Upgrade

Injector for TRISTAN / SR exp.

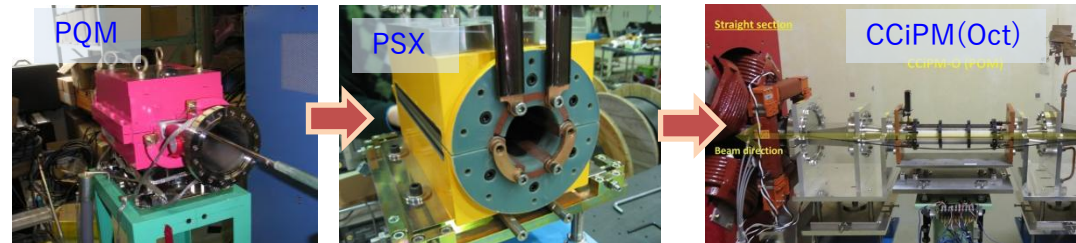
PF Advanced Ring (PF-AR, 5.0 or 6.5 GeV, Single bunch)

1987 SR Experiment at PF-AR → 2002 Upgrade of PF-AR



1990

The world's first in-vacuum undulator(PF-AR NE3)



2004~

Beam injection with nonlinear pulsed magnet

Accelerator : Typical Daily Operation Pattern

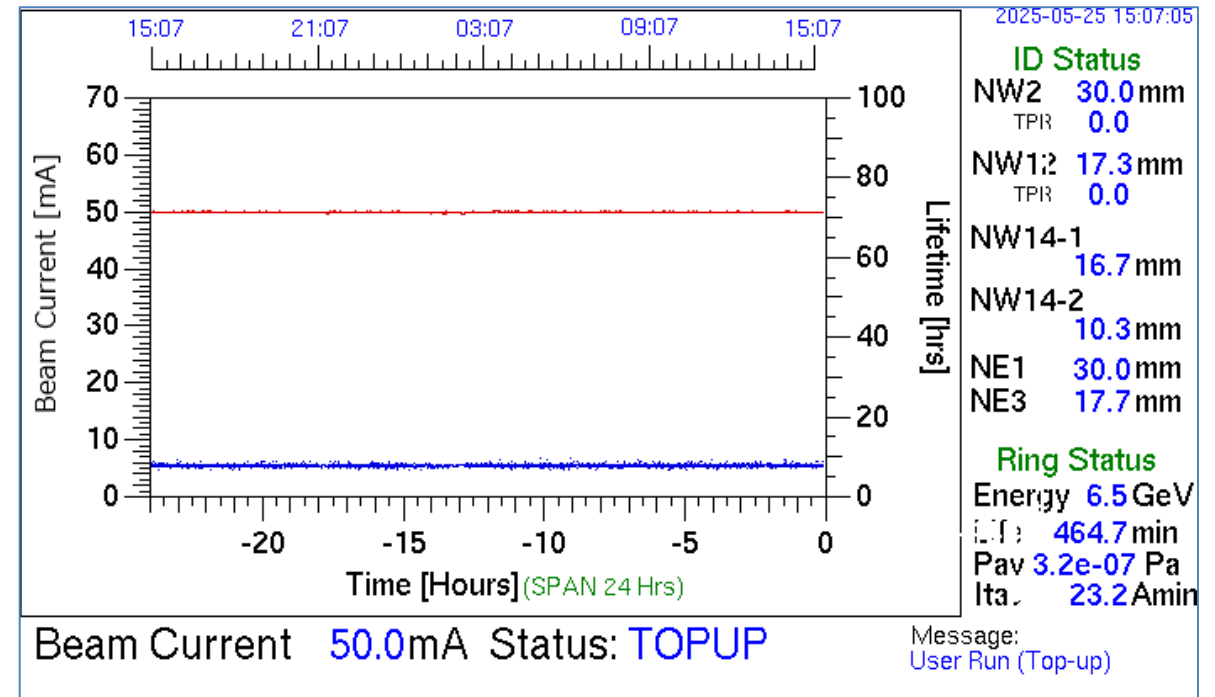
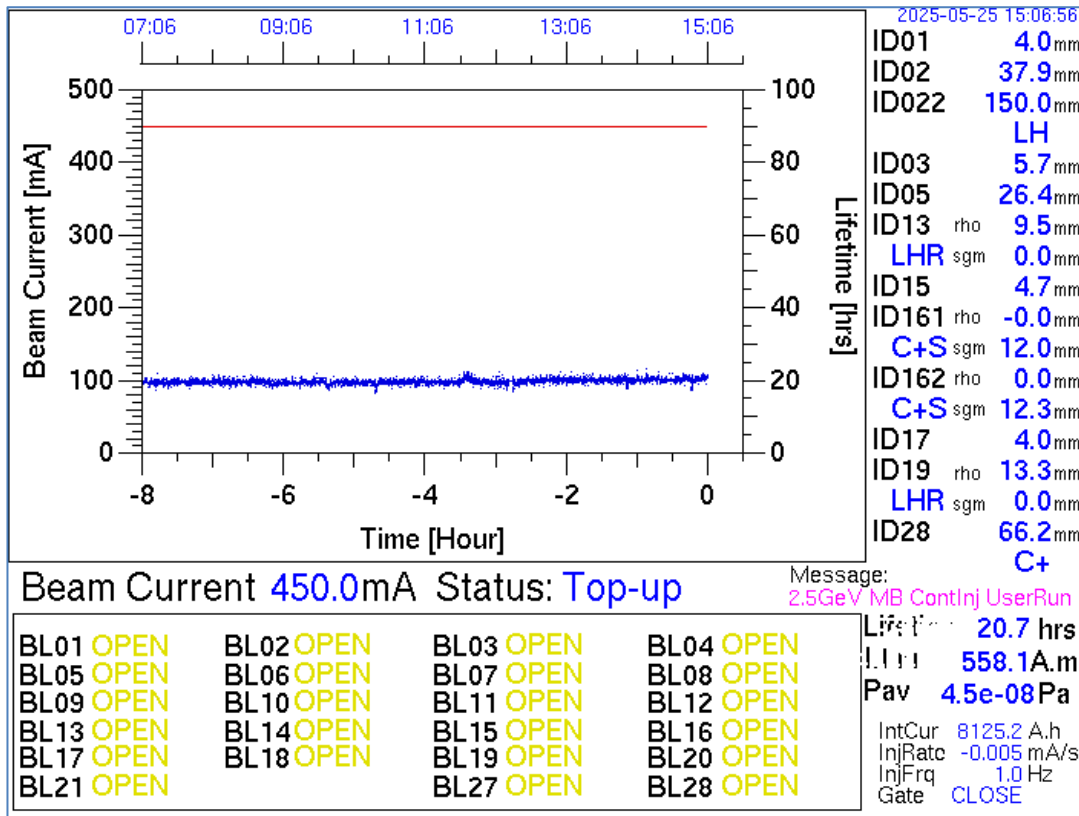
PF-Ring 450 mA

- multi-bunch with bunch gap
- single 50 mA + multi 400 mA

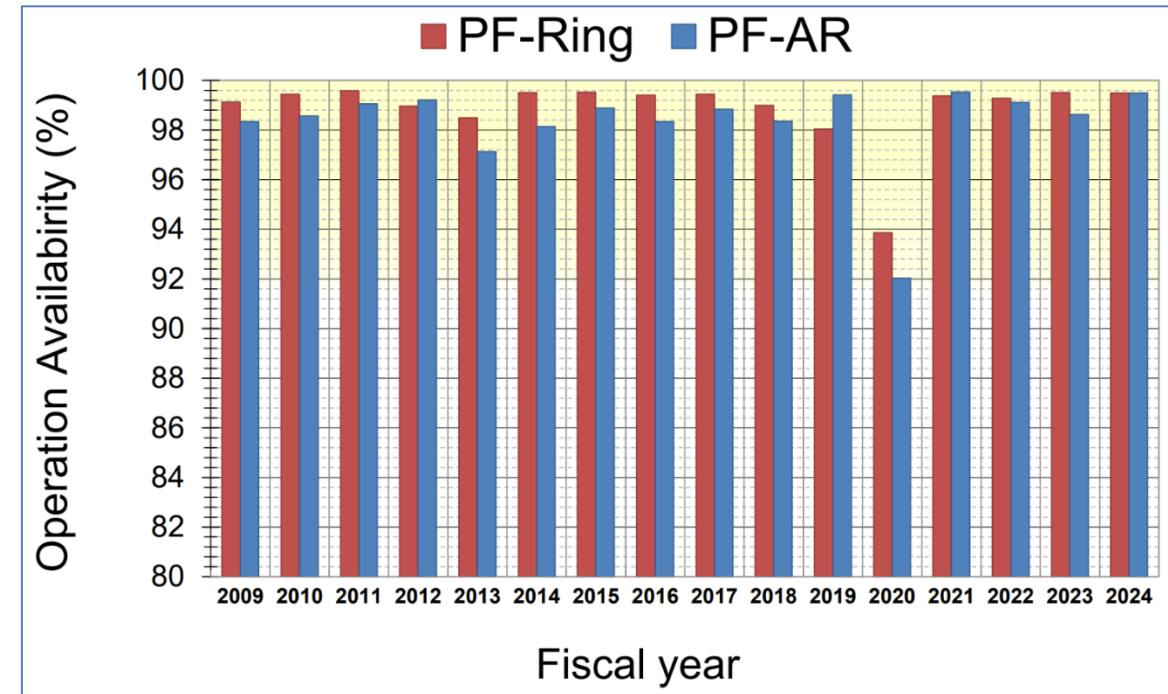
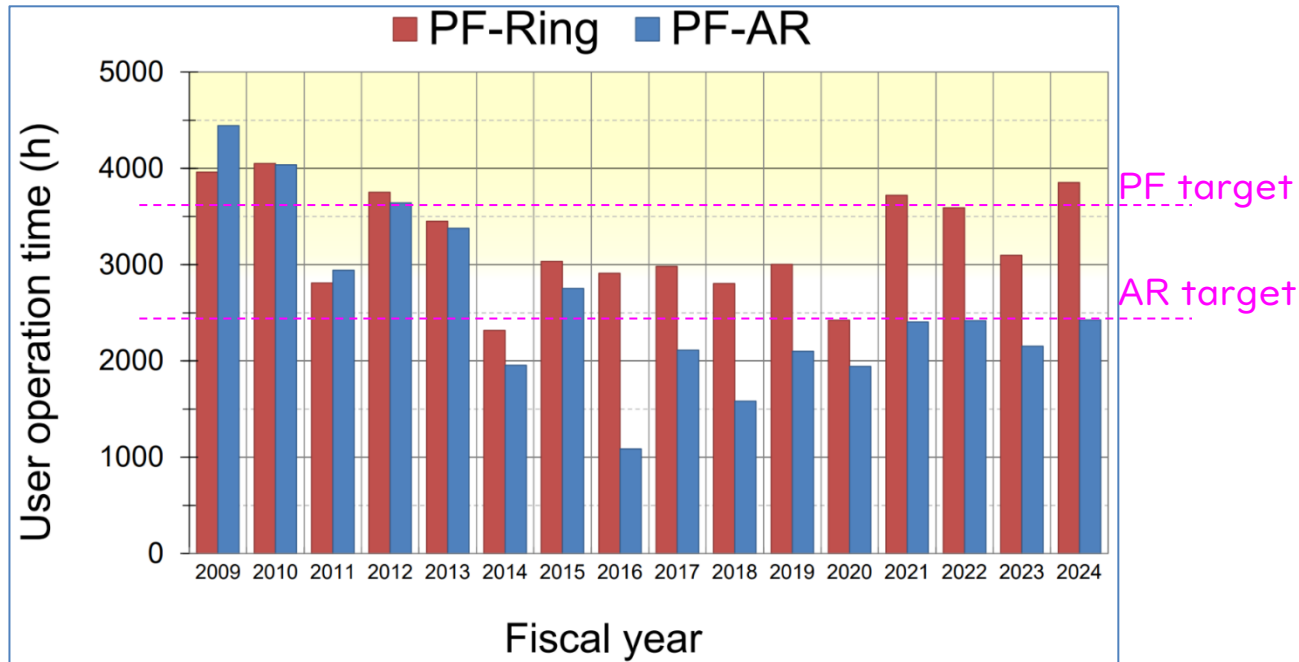
PF-AR 50 mA

- single bunch

Both rings are operated in top-up injection mode from the Linac, which also injects into SuperKEKB.
 Typical injection interval for PF and PF-AR is about 20 sec - several minutes.



Operation Statistics of PF-Ring and PF-AR : FY2009-2024



FY2025 target: 3,600 hours for PF and 2,400 hours for PF-AR

Aging-related failures have become frequent and are of serious concern. However, continuous and routine maintenance helps prevent accelerator malfunctions.

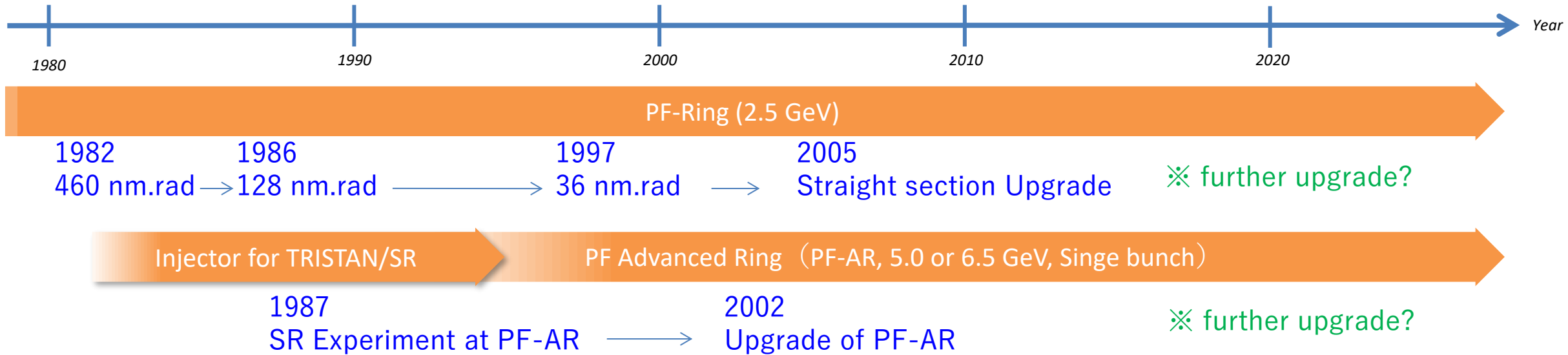
→ The average availability exceeds 99%, which indicates a remarkably high level of performance..

※ In 2020, operational availability was reduced due to a failure in the pulsed bending magnet located at the end of the injector linac.

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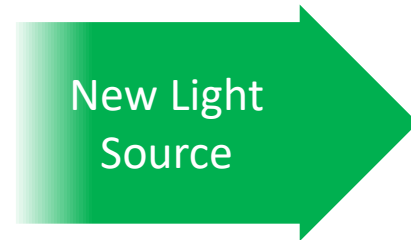
History of PF-Ring and PF-AR / New Light Source Project



The possibility of reducing the emittance of the existing ring has been thoroughly considered.

Rather than reusing a building constructed nearly 45 years ago, it is more desirable to develop a state-of-the-art facility on a greenfield site equipped with the latest technologies.

New wine is put into fresh wineskins



The ultimate scientific objective

- Elucidation of the Fundamental Mechanisms Underlying the Functions of Matter and Life
- This is achieved by integration of all aspects of synchrotron radiation performance to promote the deepening, fusion, and creation of research fields and methodologies.

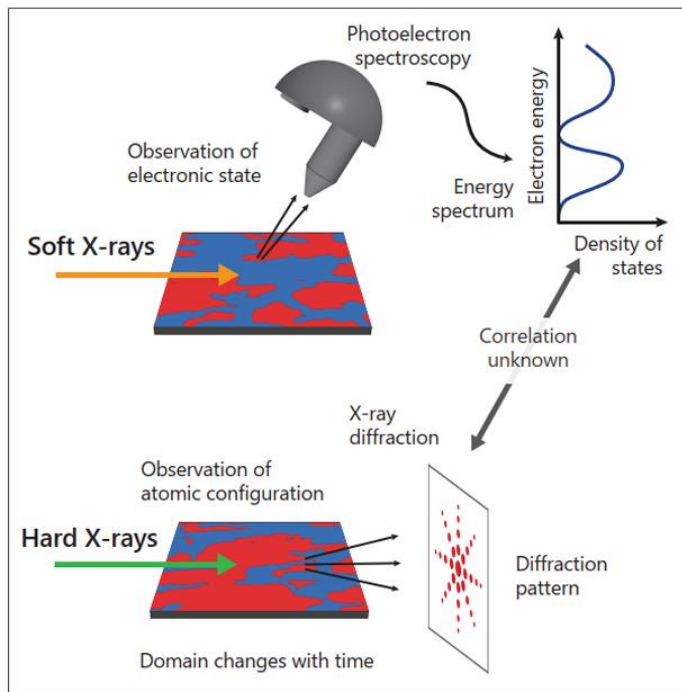
SR with wide wavelength range

SR + SR 2-Beam

SR + SP 2-Beam

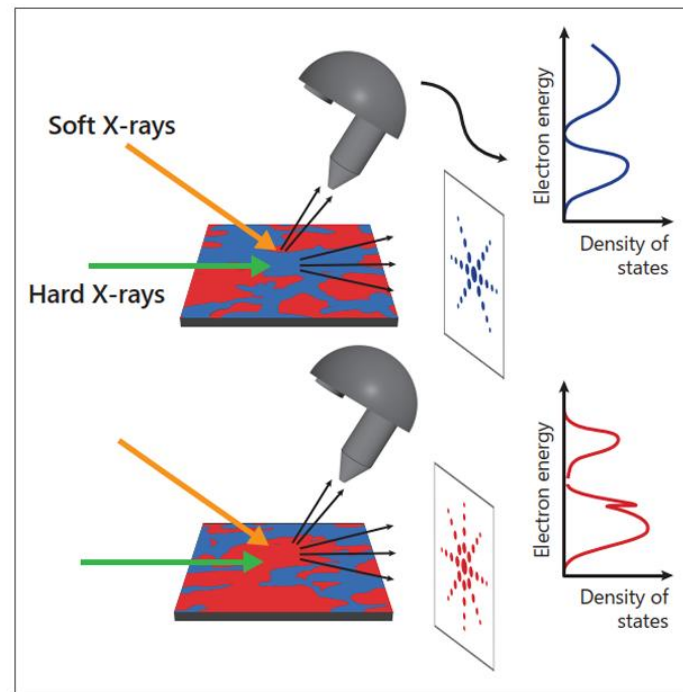
① SR single beam experiment

A wide wavelength range is available on a single beamline. This expands the targets and methods and promotes the **deepening** of wide fields and methods.



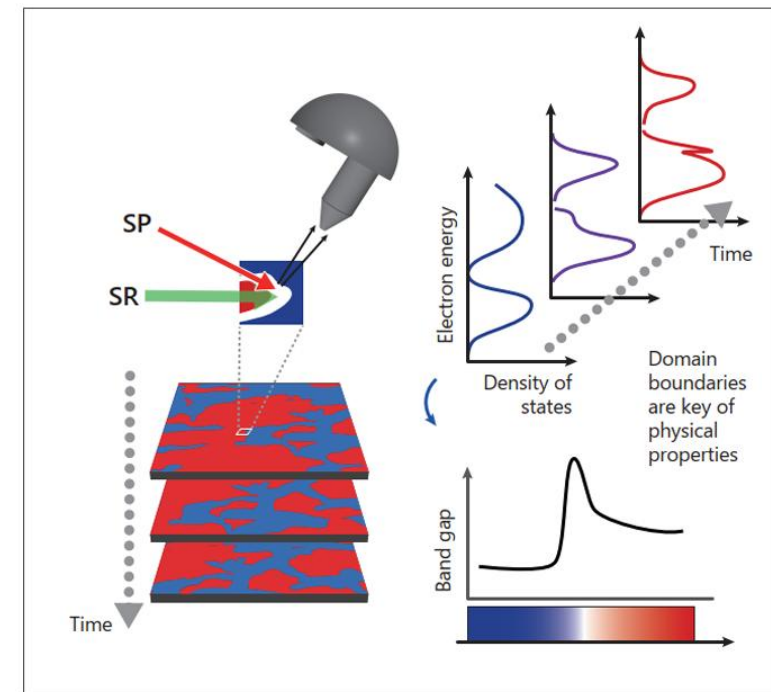
② SR + SR multibeam experiment

The electronic state and atomic configuration can be obtained simultaneously, providing a correlation between function and structure. Collaboration promotes the **fusion** of fields and methods.



③ SR + SP multibeam experiment

Qualitatively novel methods using the high spatio-temporal resolution of the SP beam, such as domain boundary observation and pump-probe experiments, will facilitate the **creation** of new knowledge.



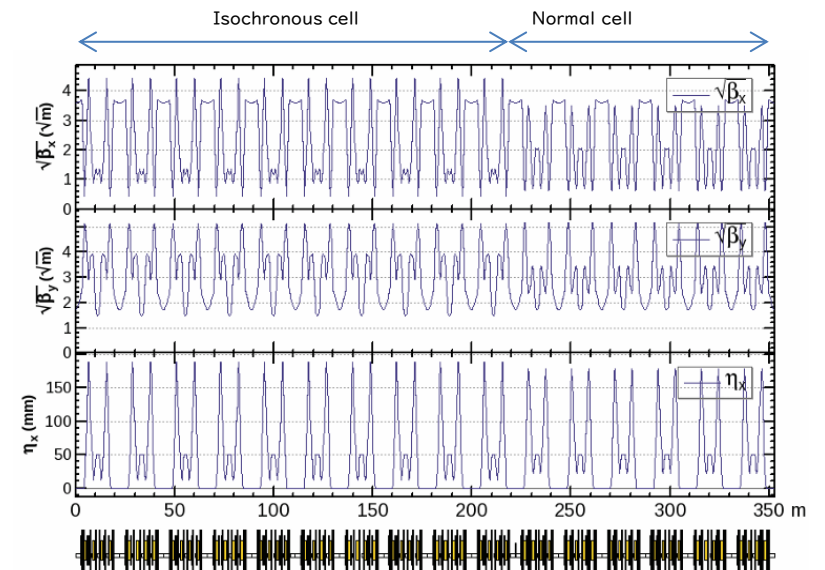
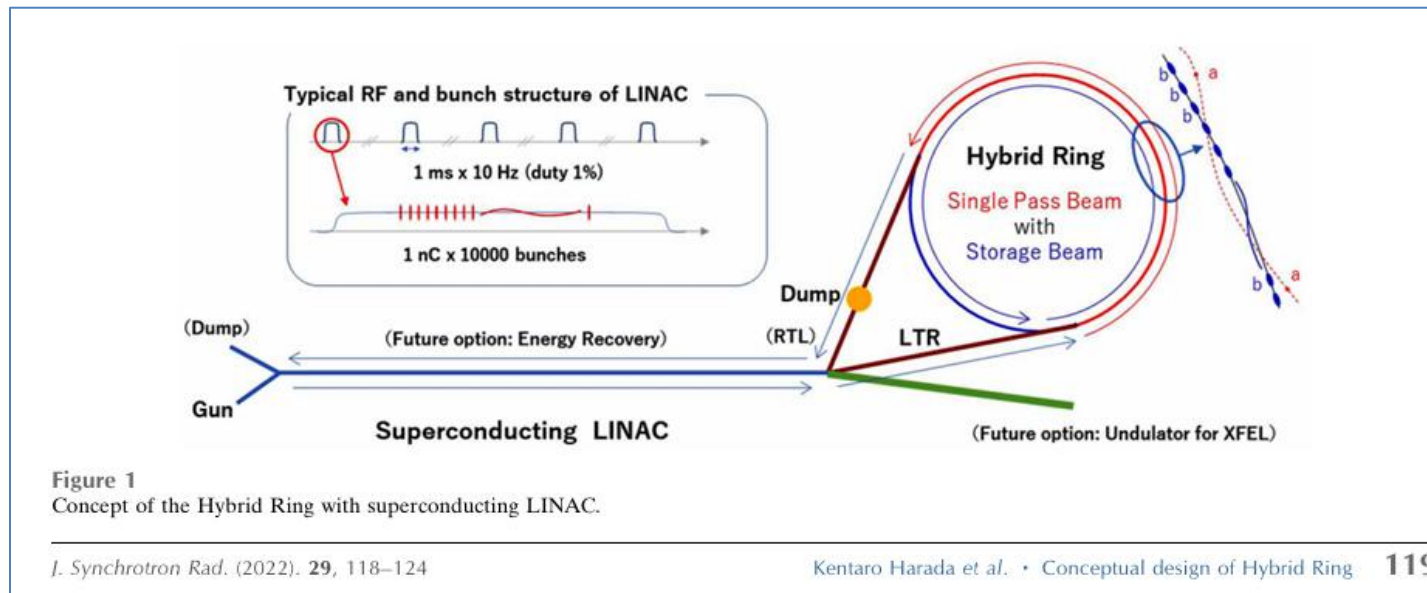
Hybrid Ring Concept: SC Linac + Ring

Balancing cutting-edge performance and versatility

- Achieving **ultra-low emittance** is a major trend in the design of modern synchrotron light sources
- We propose an alternative approach that addresses the needs of user science:

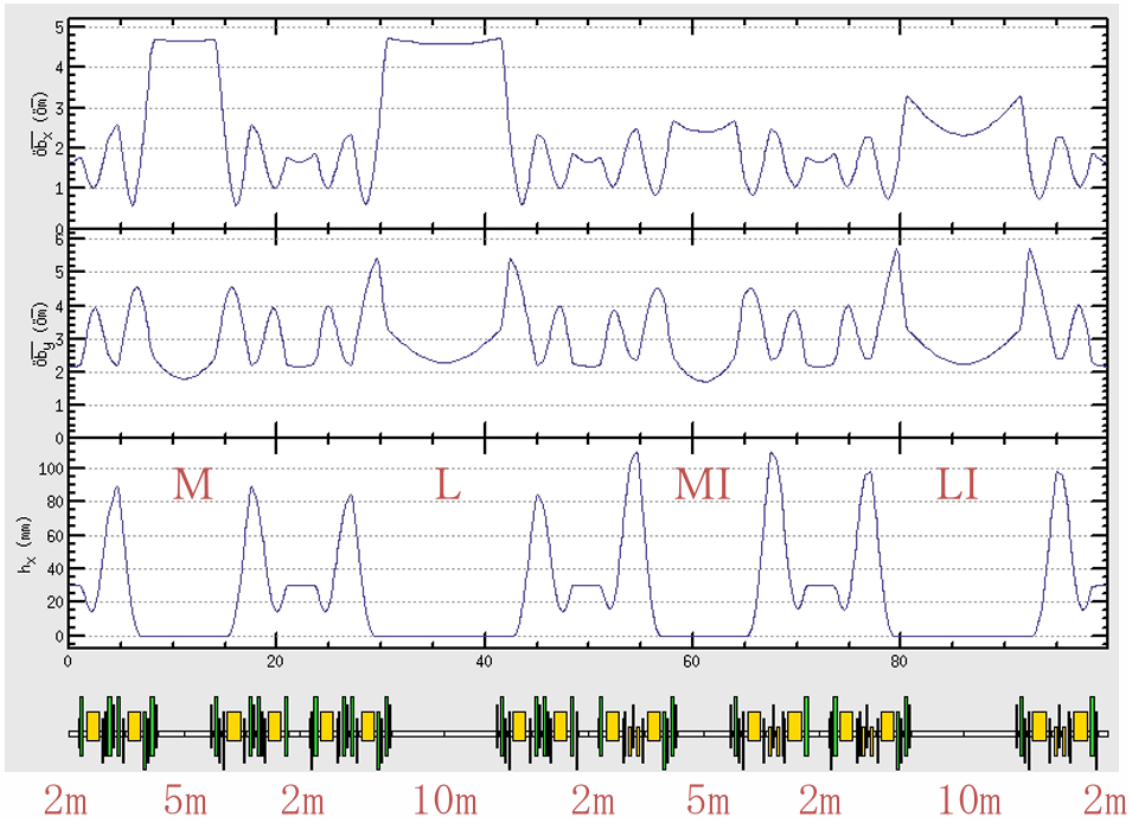
cutting-edge SC Linac + versatile storage ring

A long-pulse superconducting (SC) linear accelerator can efficiently generate high current, ultra-low emittance, and ultra-short pulse electron beams.



K. Harada *et al.*, Conceptual design of the Hybrid Ring with superconducting linac,
J. Synchrotron Rad., **29**, 118 - 134 (2022). <https://doi.org/10.1107/S1600577521012753>

Lattice



- Two undulators are installed in the long straight section
- Simultaneous use of the SR and SP beams becomes possible
- Also, two SR beam experiment becomes possible (ex. HX + SX)

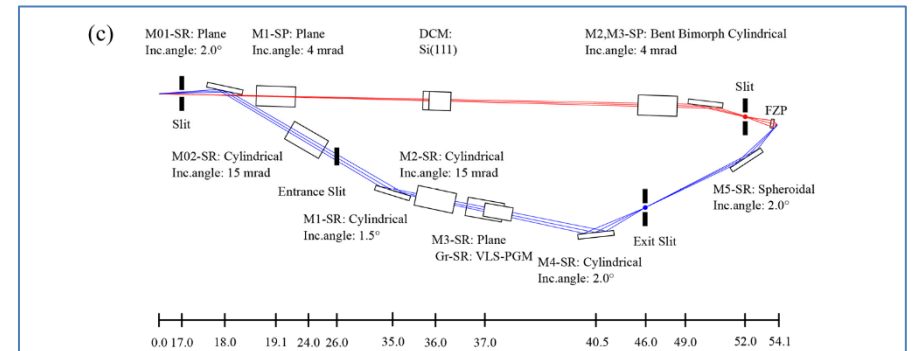
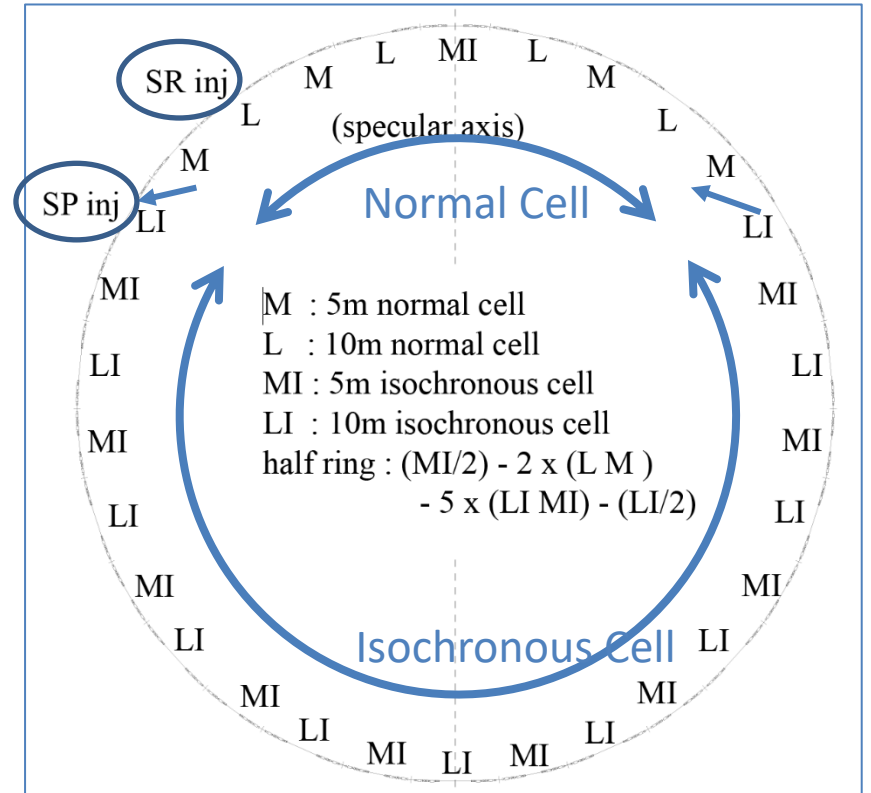


Figure 3-2-1: Examples of the beamline designs for the two-beam simultaneous use (plan view). (a) SX-SX, (b) hard X-ray (HX)-HX, and (c) SX-HX.

From the Hybrid Ring Concept to the PF-HLS Design

- SC Linac utilizes ILC technologies
- Introduction of Energy Switchable Storage Ring (**ESSR**) concept
 - A light source that achieves high-brilliance synchrotron radiation across a **wide wavelength range**, which is required from user's science needs

Key point for accelerator design

- 2.5 GeV / 5.0 GeV Energy switch
- Long circumference is suitable to reduce radiation power loss from bending magnets.
- A larger building leads to higher construction costs as well as increased expenses for utility consumption and maintenance.



Accelerator Design (tentative)

Circumference = 750 m

(reasonable size for 5.0 GeV Ring)

Operational Cost :

PF-Ring + PF-AR > PF-HLS

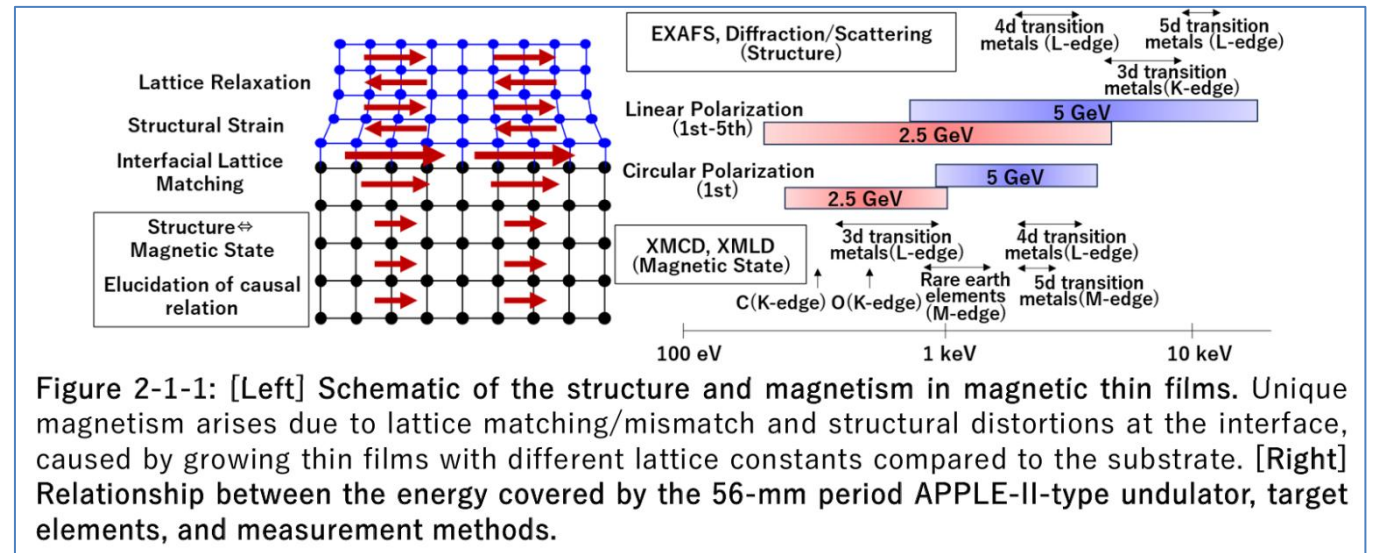
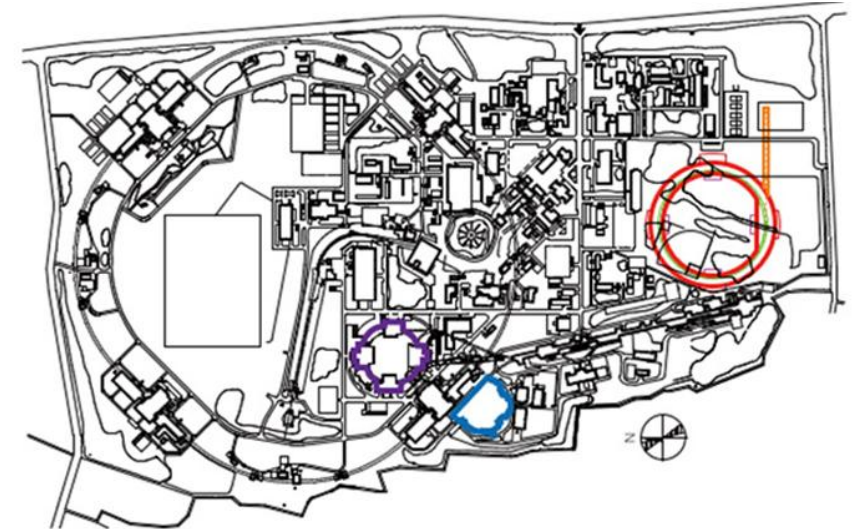
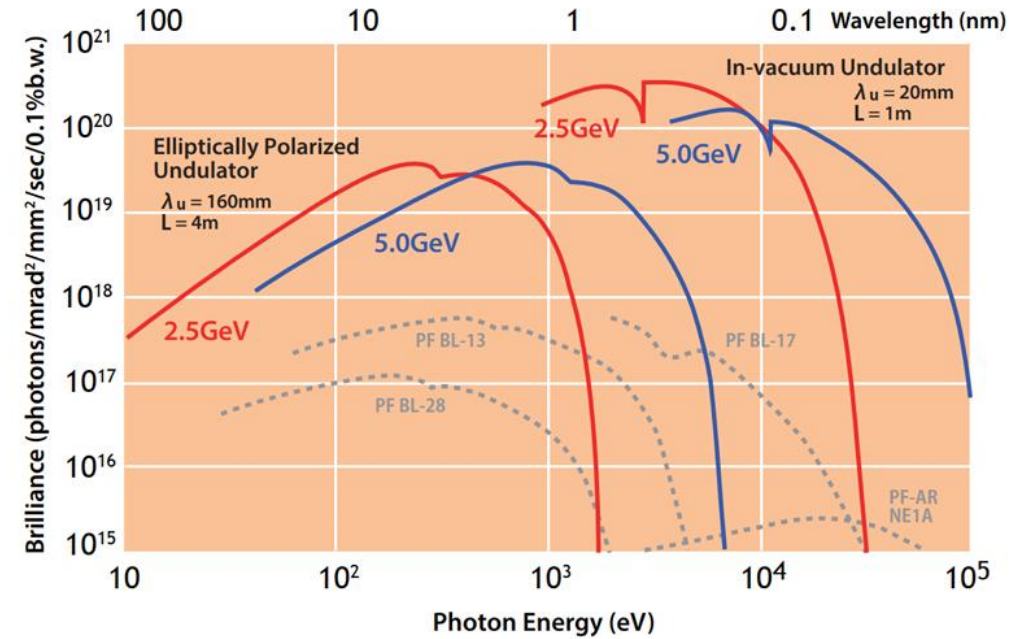


Figure 2-1-1: [Left] Schematic of the structure and magnetism in magnetic thin films. Unique magnetism arises due to lattice matching/mismatch and structural distortions at the interface, caused by growing thin films with different lattice constants compared to the substrate. [Right] Relationship between the energy covered by the 56-mm period APPLE-II-type undulator, target elements, and measurement methods.

PF-HLS Parameters

Parameter	value	
Energy [GeV]	2.5	5.0
Circumference [m]	749.5	
Lattice	Double DDBA/8BA (modified)	
Normal cell number	4	
R ₅₆ ~0 cell number	11	
RF voltage [MV]	1.6	6.5
Bucket height [%]	8.93	7.76
Energy loss [MeV/turn]	0.222	3.557
Momentum compaction	3.24x10 ⁻⁵	
Betatron tune, ν_x/ν_y	47.865/16.655	
Damping time, x/y/z [ms]	25.9/56.2/67.5	3.24/7.03/8.44
Storage current [mA]	500	200
Natural emittance [nmrad]	0.208	0.832
Energy spread	7.417x10 ⁻⁴	1.48x10 ⁻³
Natural bunch length	4.72 ps (1.4mm)	7.21 ps (2.2mm)
Touscheck Lifetime [h]	1.25 *	21 *

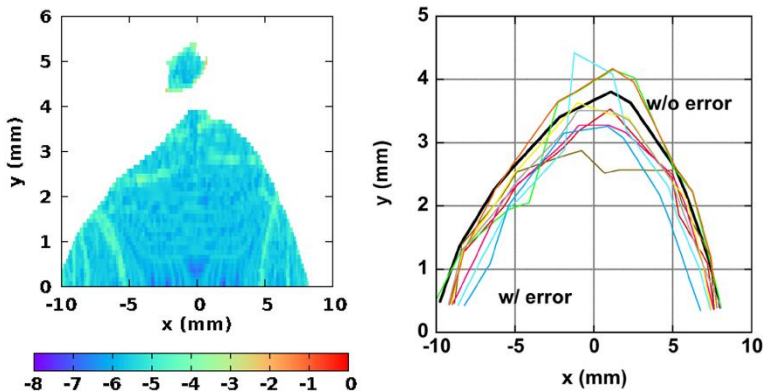
* Coupling 1%, full bucket(I 250)



Many R&Ds for PF-HLS

Beam Dynamics

Ref: CDR v1.2 (in Japanese)
Y. Shimosaki PASJ2024

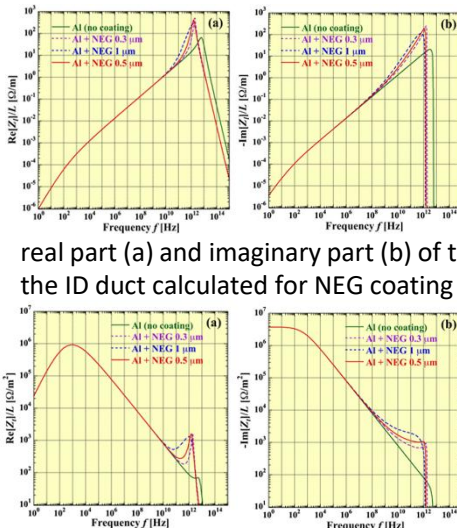


Frequency map of on-momentum particles without error observed at the injection point.

Impedance Calculation

Ref: CDR v1.2 (in Japanese)
N. Nakamura, PASJ2024

Impedance related topics:
WEPM077 (N. Nakamura)
WEP105 (N. Yamamoto)
WEPM078 (B. Bian)
this conference

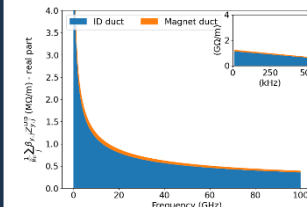


real part (a) and imaginary part (b) of the longitudinal impedance of the ID duct calculated for NEG coating thickness 0, 0.3, 0.5, 1 μm

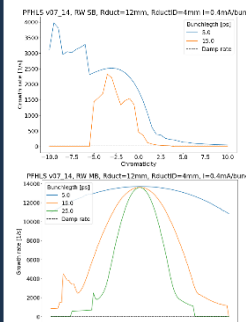
real part (a) and imaginary part (b) of the transverse impedance.

Instability/Impedance budget

Ref: CDR v1.2 (in Japanese)
N. Yamamoto et.al. PASJ2024



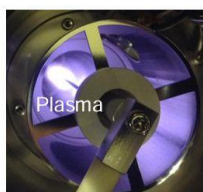
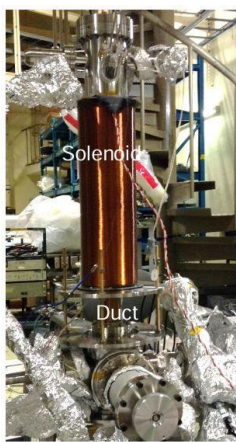
Real part of the effective dipole impedance of whole ring (ID and Magnet duct).



Single-bunch TMCI threshold as a function of chromaticity for a bunch length of 5 ps (natural bunch length) and 15 ps (bunch lengthened with the harmonic cavity, HC).

Growth rate of multi-bunch coupled-bunch instabilities for the bunch length of 5 ps, 15 ps and 25 ps. We need $\xi=+3$ and HC is required for the instability growth rate to be lower than the radiation damping rate

Development of Pd/TiZrV coated vacuum ducts



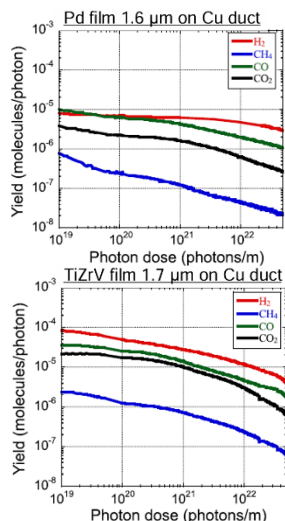
Twisted TiZrV wire



Twisted Pd wire

Magnetron sputtering system

Ref: X. Jin et.al. PASJ2024



X.G. Jin et al., Vacuum 215 (2023) #112370

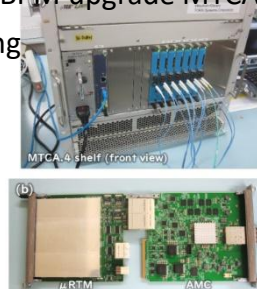
Beam Diagnostics/Tuning

BPM upgrade MTCA.4

Injection tuning with machine learning

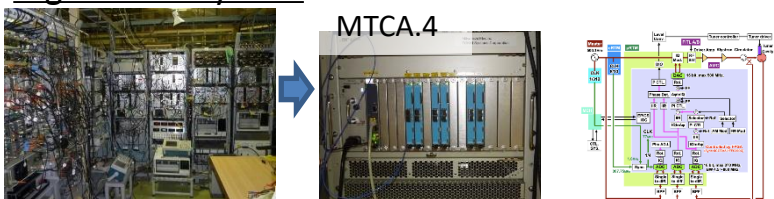


Sakurai et.al. ML workshop

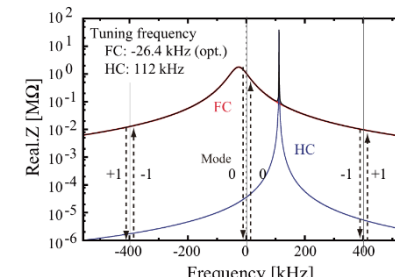
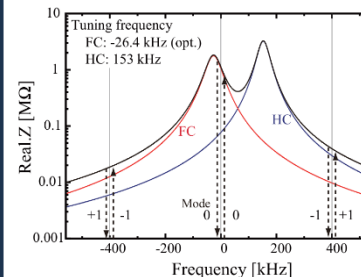


Digital LLRF System

D. Naito et al., Oral WEFN1 this conference



Candidates for Harmonic Cavity (HC)

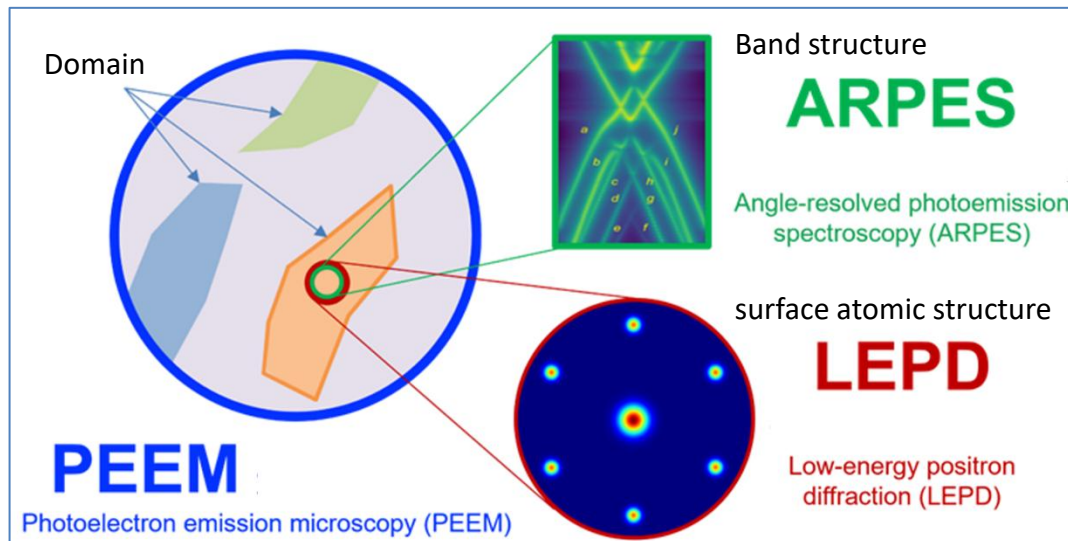


Real part of total impedance of the RF cavities. Fundamental cavity (FC) + Harmonic cavity with normal conducting (left) and Superconducting (right) cavity. Black line shows total impedance. SC-HC can avoid coupled bunch instabilities due to the impedance of cavity structure even in the low revolution frequency ring like PF-HLS.

N. Yamamoto et.al. PASJ2024

PF-HLS : Quantum Multibeam Facility

- Transition from sequential use to simultaneous use of quantum beams
- Why not use another quantum beam?
 - SR + Positron
 - SR + Neutron
 - SR + Muon } These experiments are being conducted at KEK
- FEL option for high power SP beam?



Paving the way for a new era of surface nanoscience through the simultaneous use of synchrotron radiation (SR) and slow positrons.

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Aiming to pioneer new research fields
through the simultaneous use of multiple quantum beams

Posters Related to PF-HLS: Please Take a Look

WEPS105

- Benchmark study of transverse instability driven by the resistive wall impedance in the PF-HLS 2.5 GeV storage ring
- N. Yamamoto

WEPM077

- Resistive wall impedance calculations and effects of NEG coated insertion device vacuum pipes for the PF-HLS ring
- N. Nakamura

WEPM078

- Impedance benchmarking of resistive wall and tapered transitions for the PF-HLS
- B. Bian

TUPM065

- Nb₃Sn superconducting multipole wiggler as a vertically polarized hard X-ray source
- H. Saito

WEPB050

- Test coil-unit fabrication of Nb₃Sn superconducting multipole wiggler for next generation light source in KEK-PF
- C. Mitsuda

WEPB06 I

- High repetition tests of a pulsed power supply using SiC-MOSFETs for a fast kicker system in KEK-PF
- S.Shinohara