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Enhancements of the Fermilab Booster to Reduce Losses and Extend Lifetime: *The Proton Improvement Plan*

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PIP Introduction

- PIP is a critical Fermilab “project” to address desired increases in proton production to meet the present and near term experiments
 - PIP’s scope is specific to the FNAL Proton Source
 - Proton flux
 - Machine reliability
 - Machine long term viability
 - Official start in FY12
- This talk focuses on a few RF and injection/extraction issues
 - More on beam dynamics issues in K. Seiya’s talk this afternoon
- Project Overview
- Notching
 - Kickers
 - Laser Neutralization
- 200 MHz sources
 - Modulator
 - PA (tube or klystron)
- Booster Cavity Refurbishment

Present Proton Production

- Linac produces 400 MeV H^-
 - Bunched at 200 MHz
 - 35 mA for up to 40 μ s at up to 15 Hz
- Booster produces 8 GeV protons (Booster neutrinos, muons, etc.)
 - Bunched at 53 MHz
 - Up to 5×10^{12} (typically 4.3×10^{12}) in 1.5 μ s
 - Ramps at 15 Hz
 - Historically ≤ 7 Hz with beam
- Main Injector produces 120 GeV protons (NuMI)
 - Bunched at 53 MHz
 - Up to 5×10^{13} (typically 3.7×10^{13})
Operates as quickly as 1.33 s
 - With Recycler integration, designed for 700 kW
 - Has run at 400 kW



Linac Overview

Designed for high intensity single shot proton injection



7835 Socket

7835

Linac	
Length (m)	200
Pulse Frequency	15 Hz
Kinetic Energy (MeV)	.750 - 4
Frequency (MHz)	201 & 804
Current (operational)	33 ma (Historical low)
Linac Lattice	LE ? HE - Photo
Nº of cavities	5 DTLs, 7 SC, 3 small



LE Linac		
Flat top	350	usec
Raise Fall time	75	usec
Average Axial Field	1.5	MV/m
Rep Rate	15	Hz
RF Peak Power	3.5	MW
Peak Current	35	mA
Beam width	20	usec
Power to the beam	787.50	KW
Average RF Power	19.16	KW
Peak Power	3.50	MW



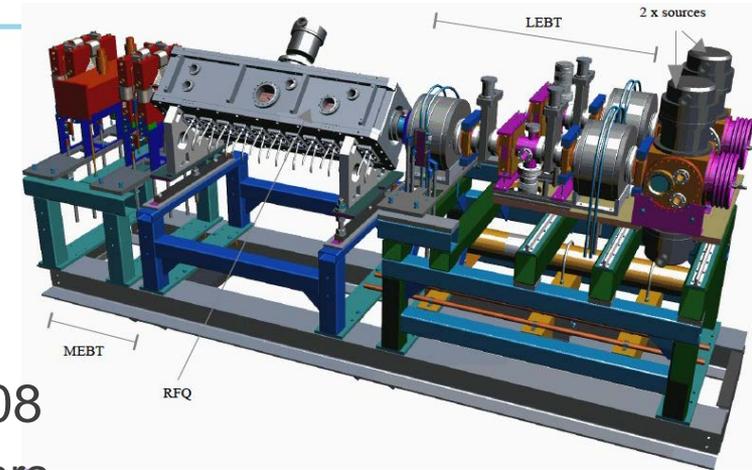
High Energy Tunnel



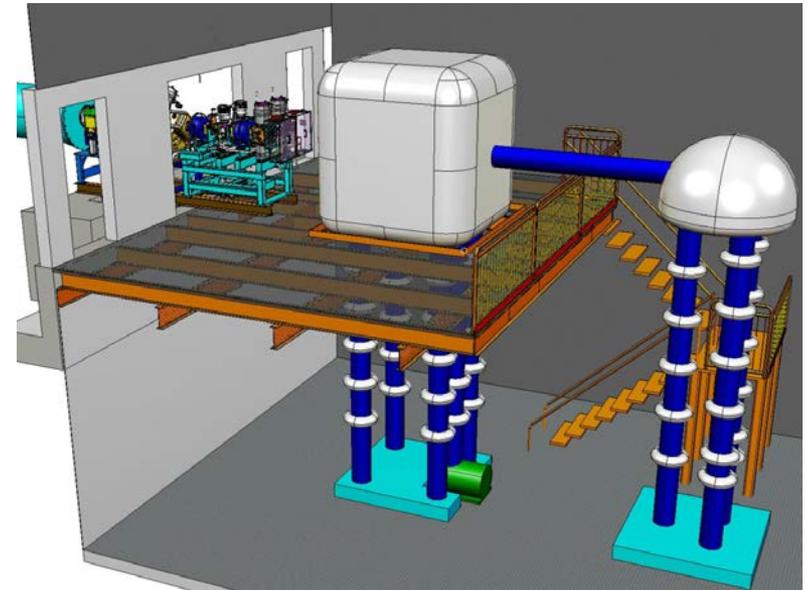
High Energy Linac Gallery

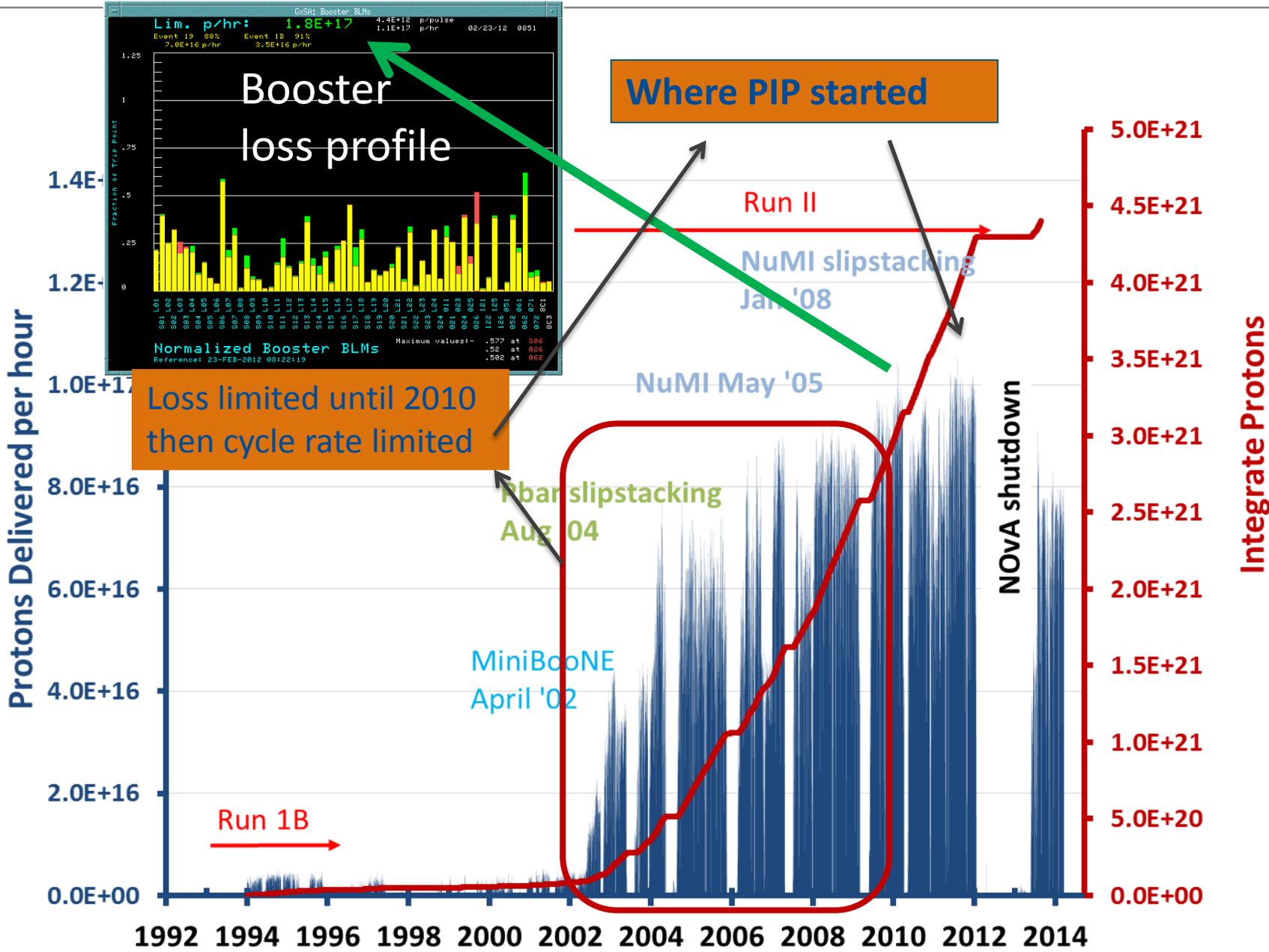
Pre-Injector Upgrade - RFQ

- FNAL considered using RFQ in late 1980's
 - BNL and FNAL worked with LBNL on a RFQ design
 - 200MHz built for BNL but FNAL cancelled order
- FNAL initiated the Pre-injector upgrade in 2008
 - Fermilab retired C-W in August 2012 after 43 years

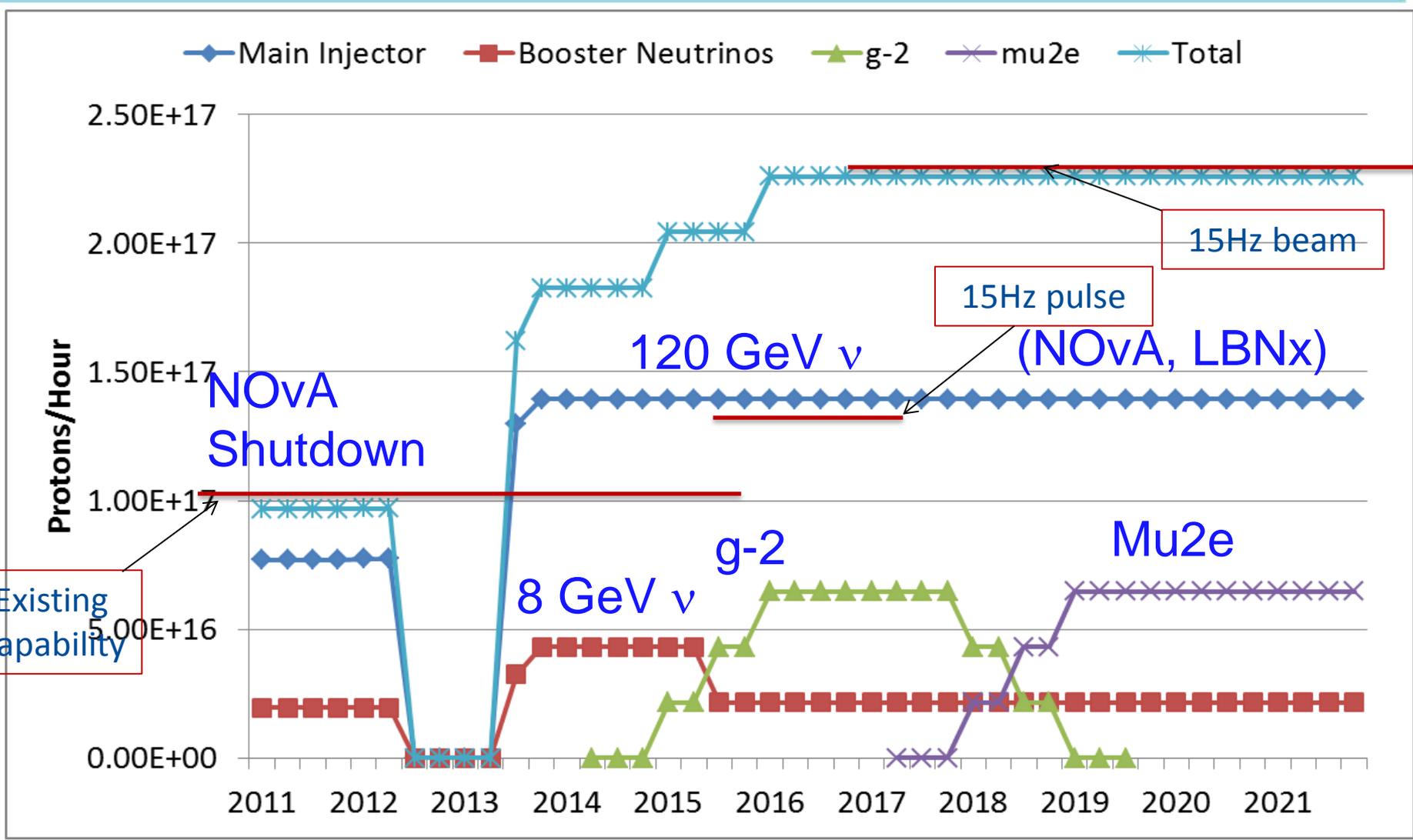


Parameter	Value (units)
Energy	35 – 750 (keV)
Frequency	201.25 (MHz)
Length	120 (cm)
Design current	60 (mA)
Peak cavity power	~ 140 (kW)
Radial aperture	0.3 (cm)
Duty Factor	0.12%





Requested Proton Flux



Original Goals for the Proton Improvement Plan

- The ***Proton Improvement Plan*** should enable Linac/Booster operation capable of
 - Delivering 2.25×10^{17} protons/hour (at 15 Hz) in 2016 while
 - Maintaining Linac/Booster availability $> 85\%$, and
 - Maintaining residual activation at acceptable levelsand also ensuring a useful operating life of the proton source through 2025

The scope of the ***Proton Improvement Plan*** includes

- Upgrading (or replacing) components to increase the Booster repetition rate
- Replacing components that have (or will have) poor reliability
- Replacing components that are (or will soon become) obsolete
- Studying beam dynamics to diagnose performance limitations
- Implementing operational changes to reduce beam loss

Scope change to PIP

Modifications to PIP objectives to reflect present laboratory planning.

Extend Booster operations to 2030

Linac operations till 2023

Consider transition to PIP II



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Dear Bill,

I would like to update the objectives and goals for the Proton Improvement Plan (PIP) in light of progress to this point and the lab's strategy. Even though PIP is well underway, some adjustments to the project are needed to align with the upcoming PIP-II project. This letter supplants the initial guidance delivered by Stuart Henderson on Dec. 7, 2010, at the Proton Source Workshop and documented in Beams-doc-3739.

The overarching goal of PIP should now be to develop and implement a plan to meet the targets for Proton Source throughput, while maintaining good availability and acceptable residual activation. Specifically, when executed, PIP should enable Linac/Booster operation capable of delivering $2.3E17$ protons per hour at 15 Hz while maintaining Proton Source availability at 85 % and maintaining residual activation at acceptable levels.

These plans should anticipate a useful operating life of the Linac through 2023, and the Booster through 2030. In addition, the plan should anticipate a transition to the new PIP-II linac in 2023, with which the Booster will be expected to deliver $4.7E17$ protons per hour at 20 Hz. The remaining deliverables within PIP should be mindful of the PIP-II and possible subsequent upgrades.

Sincerely,

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Beam and Losses through Cycle

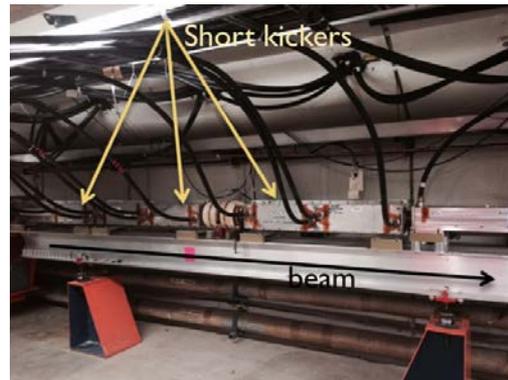
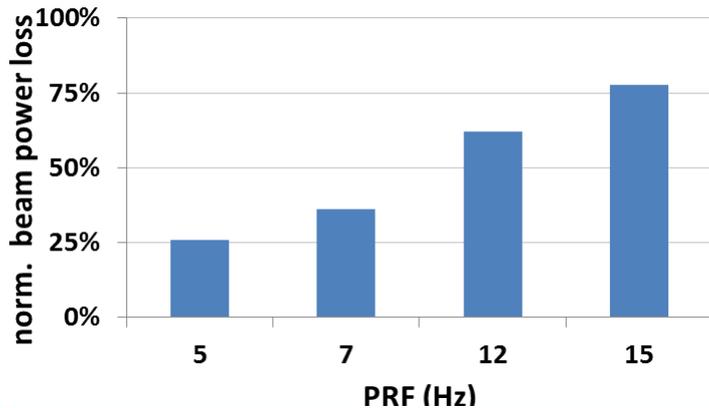
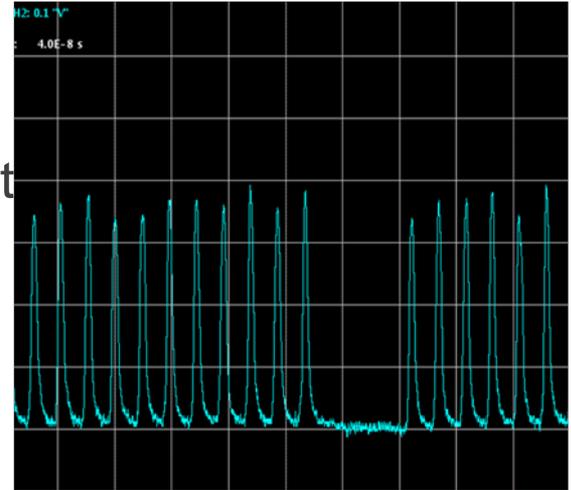
Beam Intensity

Loss Monitors' Responses

PIP : Notching

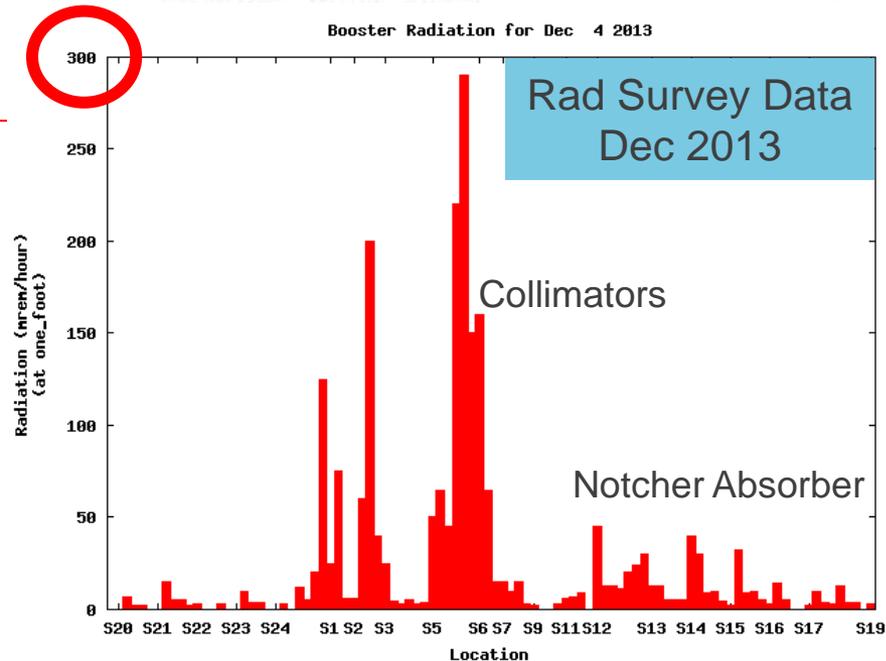
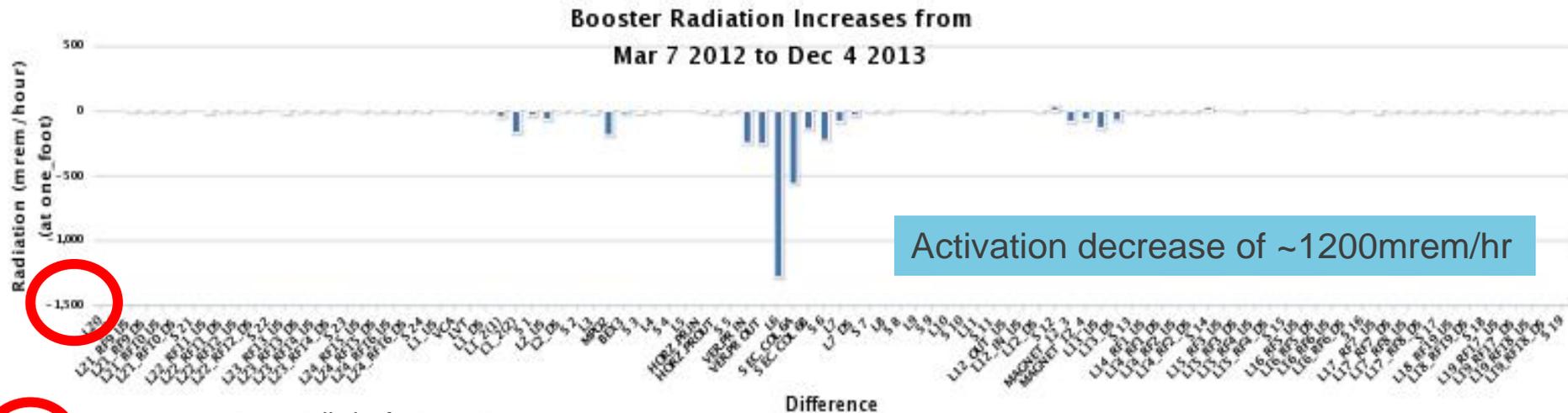
- Booster beam requires a notch to allow for the rise time of extraction kicker
 - 40-50 ns notch
- Notch is created by kicking the beam @ 2 different cycle times
 - 400 / 700 MeV ↓ losses down to 5% / 9%
- PIP phase approach
 - Phase I: notch relocation & new absorber
 - Phase II: kicker magnets & power system replacement
 - **Phase III: create notch in Linac**

Bucket spacing at extraction energy ~ 19 nsec



Absorber L13 (2013)

Notcher & Absorber Controlling Beam Losses

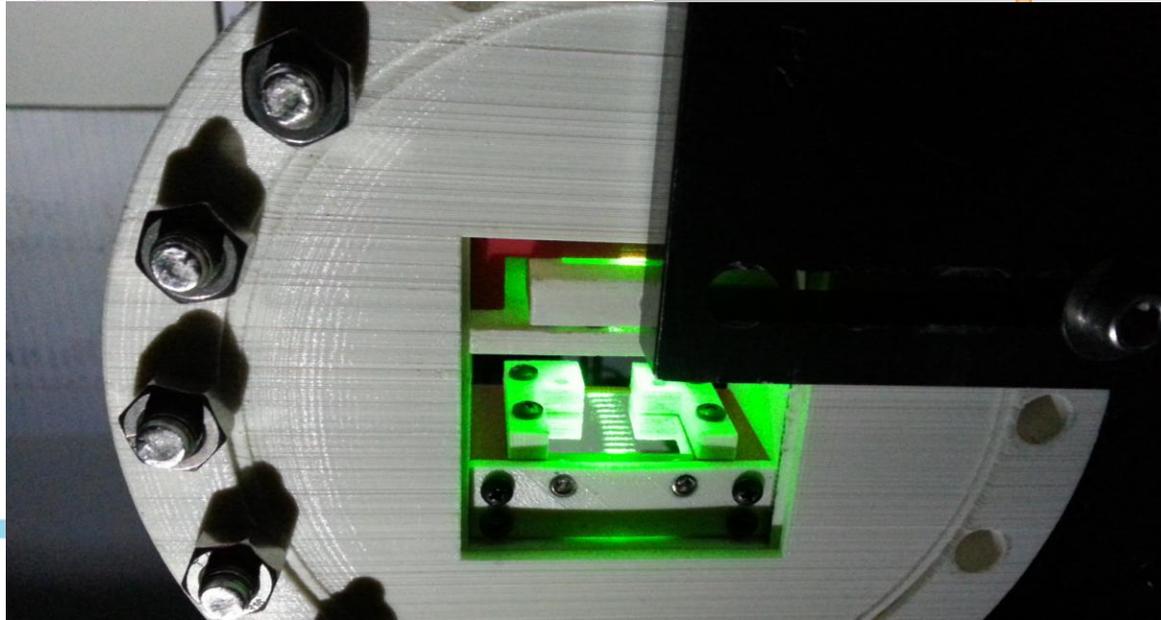
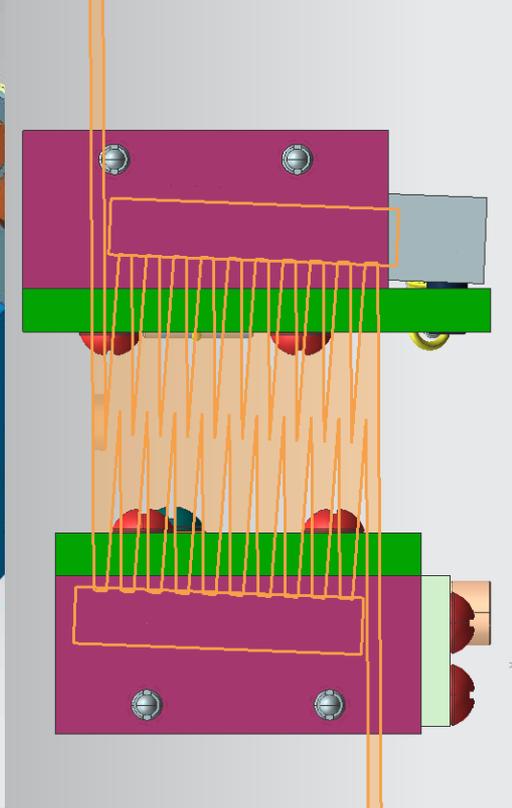
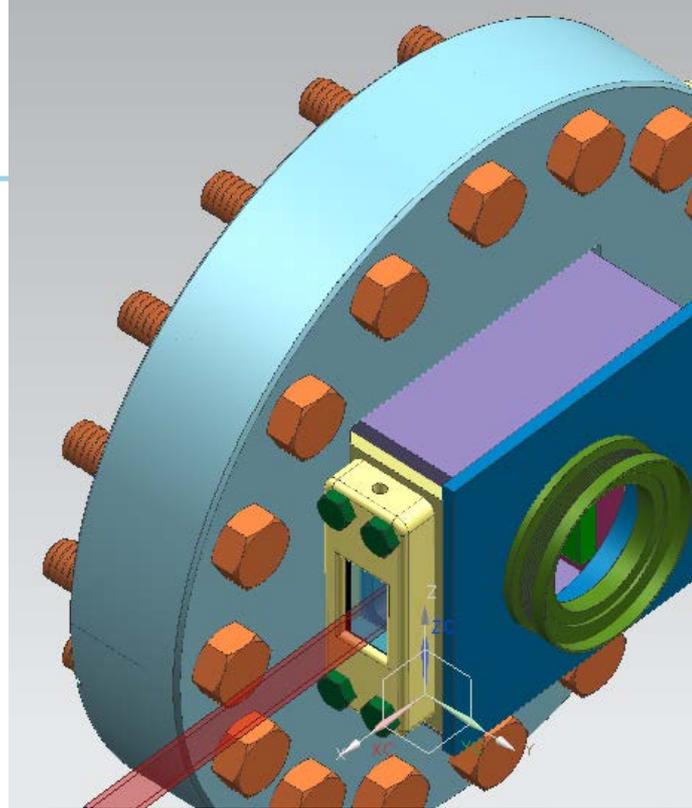


The plot above shows the difference between two radiation activation surveys after running similar flux for a week. The new system has greatly reduced residual activation in several areas of Booster.

The new notcher system directs the beam to an absorber – old system was not designed for high flux and the kicked ‘notched’ beam into collimators -- uncontrolled

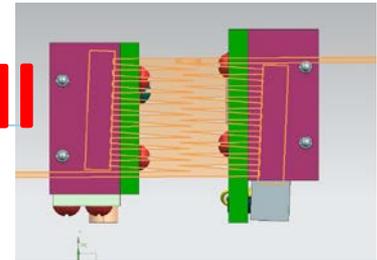
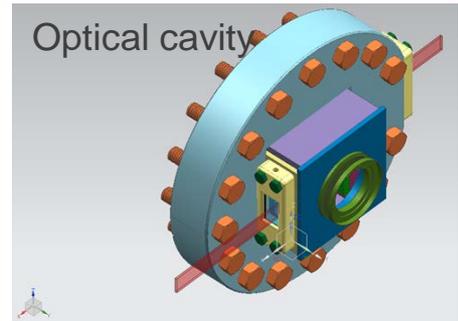
Laser Notcher

- Neutralize a portion of the Linac beam with a pulsed laser
 - Remove the majority of the loss from the Booster entirely
- Prototype of the laser front-end is operating
 - Atypical laser
 - Multiple timescales
 - High-pulse power
 - Moderate average power (few W)
- Interaction region installed in Linac



PIP – Accelerator Physics: Linac Laser Notch

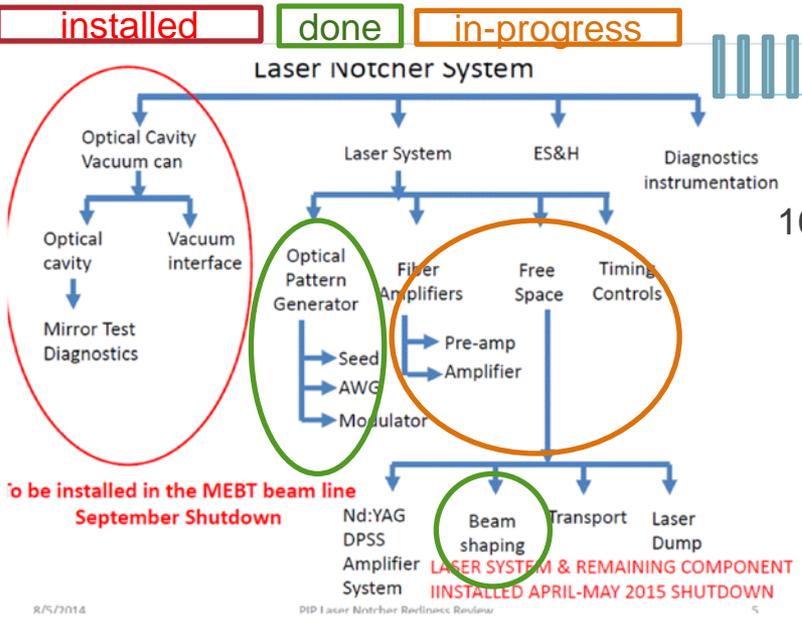
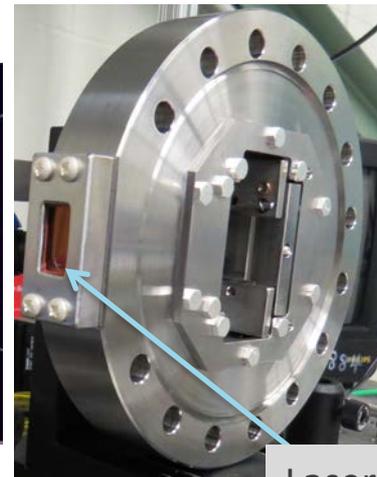
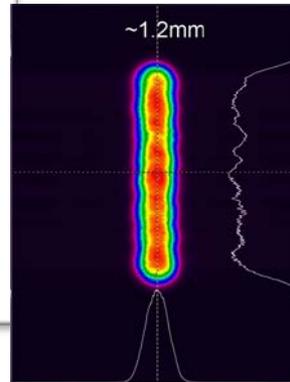
- Neutralize portion of the 750 keV beam using a pulsed laser
 - Create laser pulse pattern for 200 MHz and 450 kHz
 - Amplify pulse using a three-stage fiber amplifier
 - Create spatial uniform photon beam
 - Insert laser into a zig-zag interaction cavity



200 MHz pulses

450 kHz "notch" spacing

10-12 bunches



System internal review - Aug'14

APT Seminar – Mar'14

Final installation expected FY15

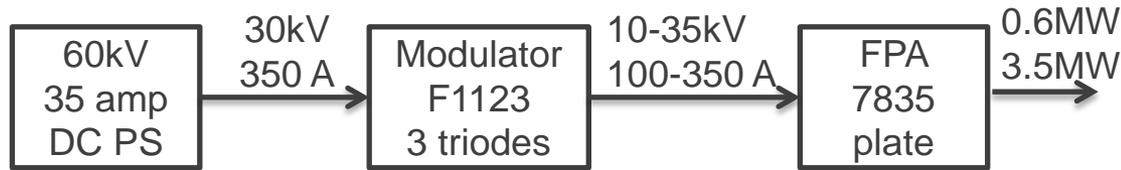
PIP – Linac 200 MHz RF system: issues & risks

- The 201.25 MHz RF power system has been a big concern for over a decade in regards **long term operational reliability and viability**
- The **issue** of retaining the 201.25 MHz RF system is
 - specialized maintenance required and extensive downtime generated by the tube modulator
 - F1123 discontinued production for over 10 years
 - short lifetime, high-cost & limited market of the final power amplifier
- The **risk** of retaining the 201.25 MHz RF system is that
 - power tubes could become unobtainable to support operations until 2025
 - additional vacuum tubes could become obsolete in the modulator &
 - F1123 no longer be rebuilt -> years of operation ~ **6 years**
- **PIP plan** to address these issues is
 - build-up 4 year in-house inventory of the 7835
 - develop a workable plan to replace the final amplifier in case tube line production is discontinued
 - replace the high voltage modulator with present day technology

PIP – Linac 200 MHz RF system: Modulator

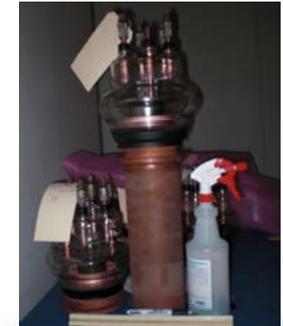
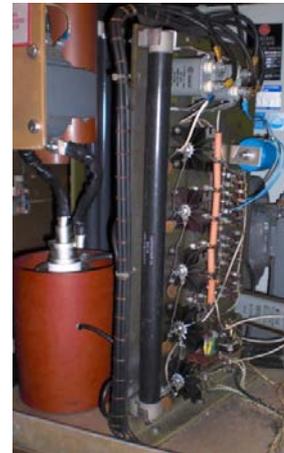
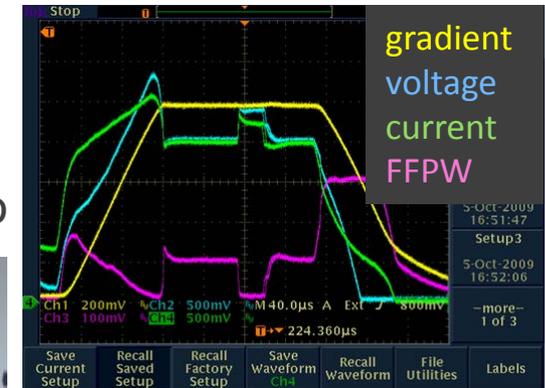
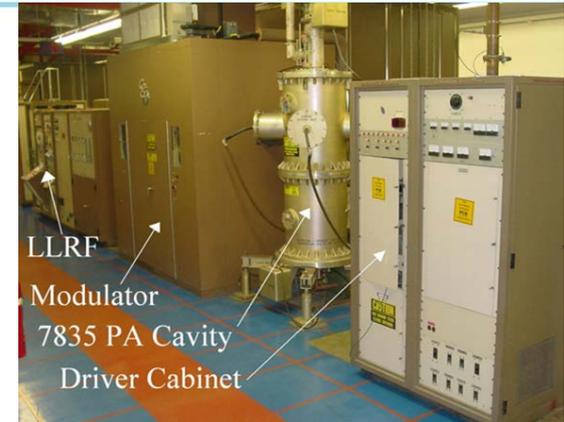
- Modulator provide pulsed power to the plate of the 7835 triode

- Plate modulation to provide tank field control



- Modulator contribution to Linac downtime is ~57%
 - Depending on the nature of the fault, each event may bring the system down from a few minutes up to tens of hours
 - MTBF: ~ 10 hrs

- DC pwr sply – built directly to the frame
- Switch tubes no longer manufactured
 - Rely on rebuilds to operate
- Outdated relays & interlocks
- Minimal diagnostic capability



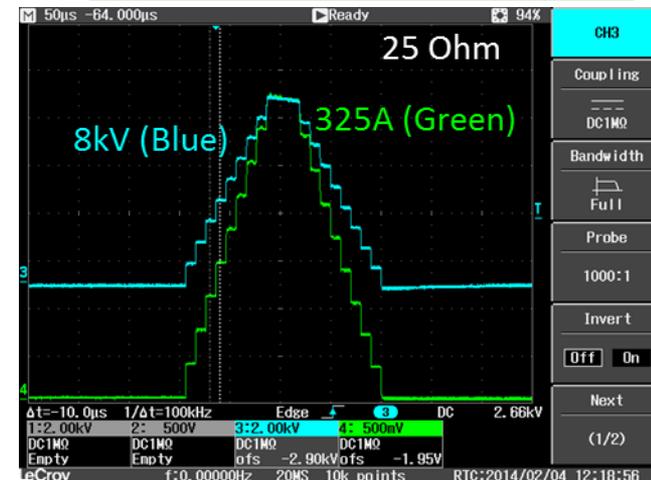
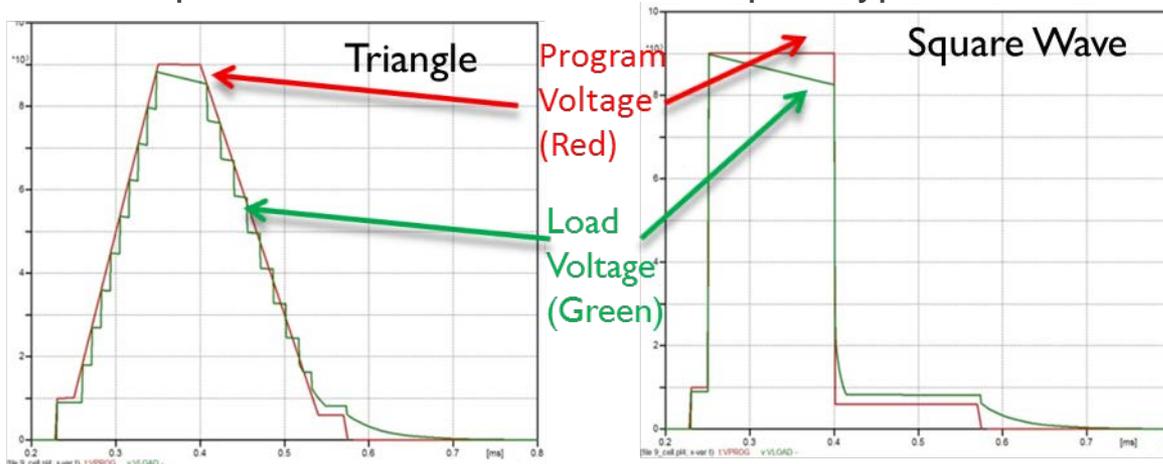
PIP – Linac 200 MHz RF system: Modulator

- **Modulator upgrade – 35 kV, Marx-topology modulator to drive triode**
 - Could even drive klystron with proper pulse transformer
- **SLAC “ILC-like” modulator (uses 3 kV cells)**
 - ILC Mark modulator (-120 kV/140Amp w/ **32 cells**)
 - modified ILC (35kV/350 Amp w/ **15 cells**)
- **AD/EE designed using modulator specification**
 - designed with 1 kV cells, requiring **53 cells** total
 - built 9 cell modulator for testing (see pictures)
 - building 25 cell modulator for further testing
 - plan to build full 53 modulator prototype in FY15



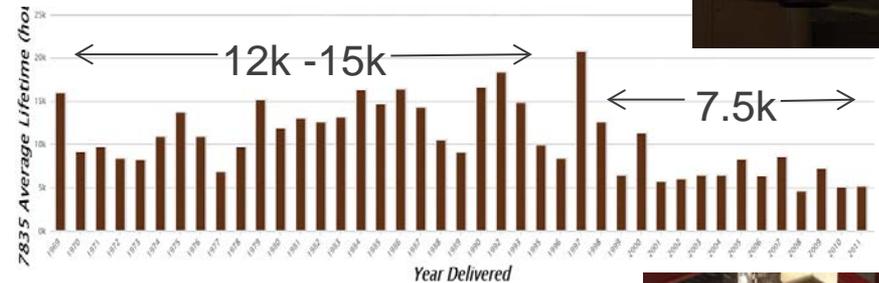
AD/EE design

- best meets original specifications
- lower cost than SLAC
- in-house expertise



PIP – Linac 200 MHz RF system: PA

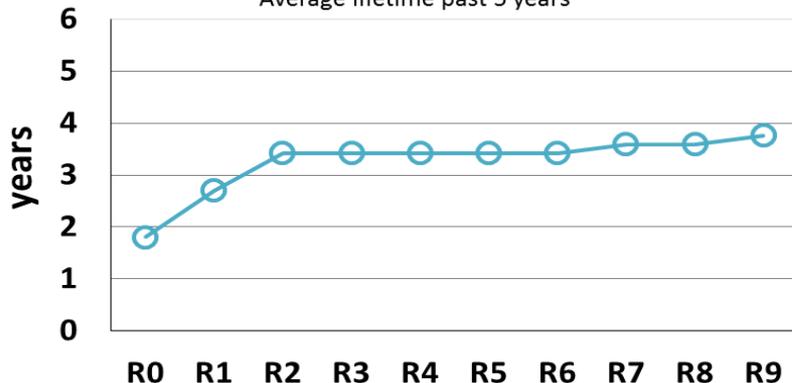
- 201.25 MHz final power amplifier
 - Single vendor: Photonis USA (former Burle)
 - National laboratories are the only users (FNAL, BNL, LANL*)
 - Typical delivery time: 200 days
 - Operation needs: 5 tubes
 - Lifetime: ~ 8-10 months



*LANL upgraded one tank to diacrode Jul/2014

FNAL/Linac - 7835 inventory Projected years of operation

no rebuild available
Average lifetime past 5 years



- There is no RF conditioning at the vendor site
 - Typical 15 days/tube for 2 techs
 - 6 tubes conditioned annually
 - Time consuming effort (4-5 months)

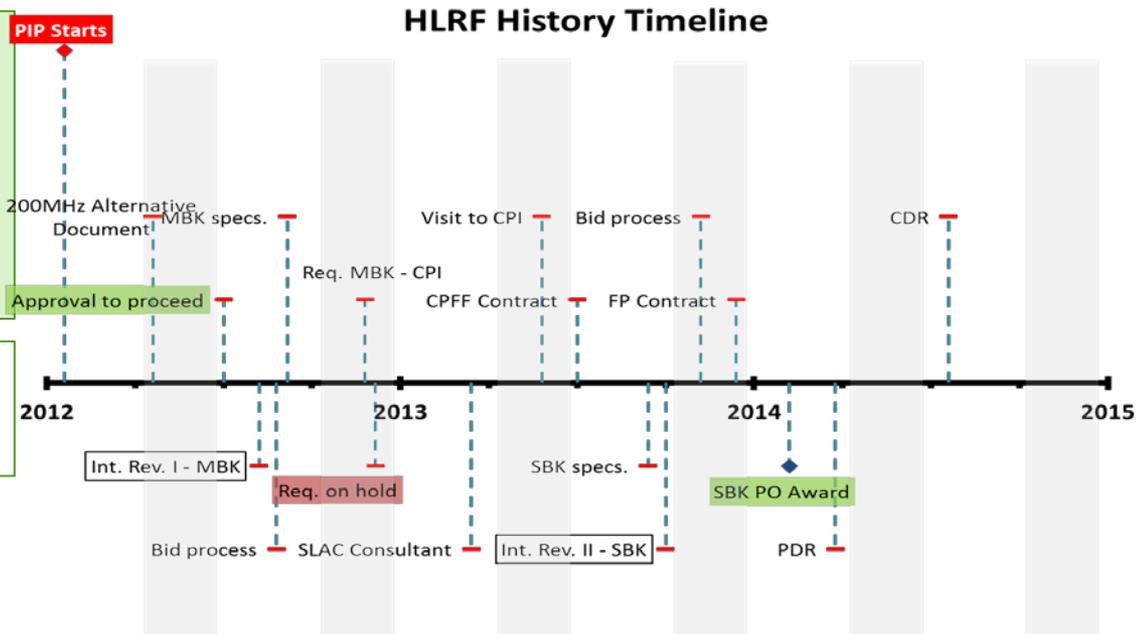


PIP – Linac 200 MHz RF system: HLRF

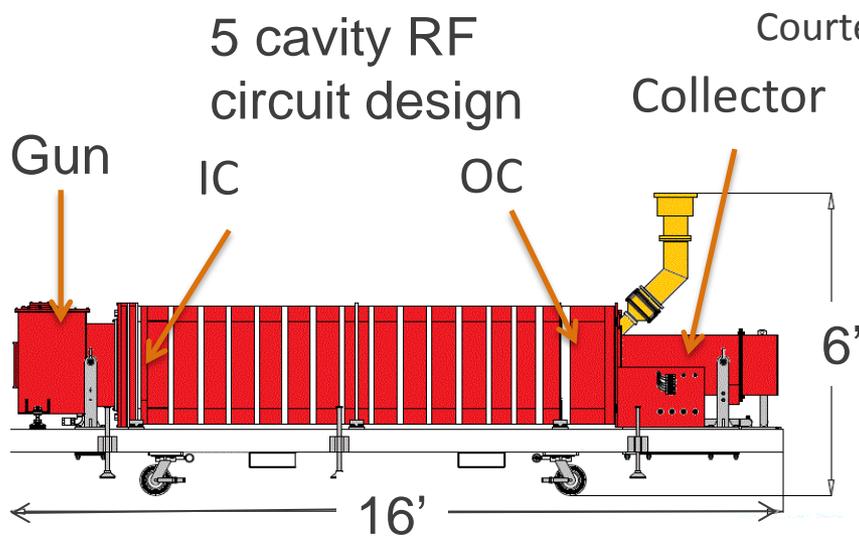
- Study conducted in 2012 discussed alternatives to the triodes
 - Tetrodes (LANL design)
 - Klystron-based 200 MHz RF
 - “SNS-like” 400 MHz Linac
 - Cost took in consideration series of criteria evaluated against over the expected lifetime of the Linac
 - Criteria: supply chain, technical risk, M&S/labor construction, upgrade time, maintenance cost and program interruption time

After careful consideration, the **201.25MHz klystron-based** RF power system was chosen as a plausible replacement for the 7835 triode

A prototype is being designed and built at CPI

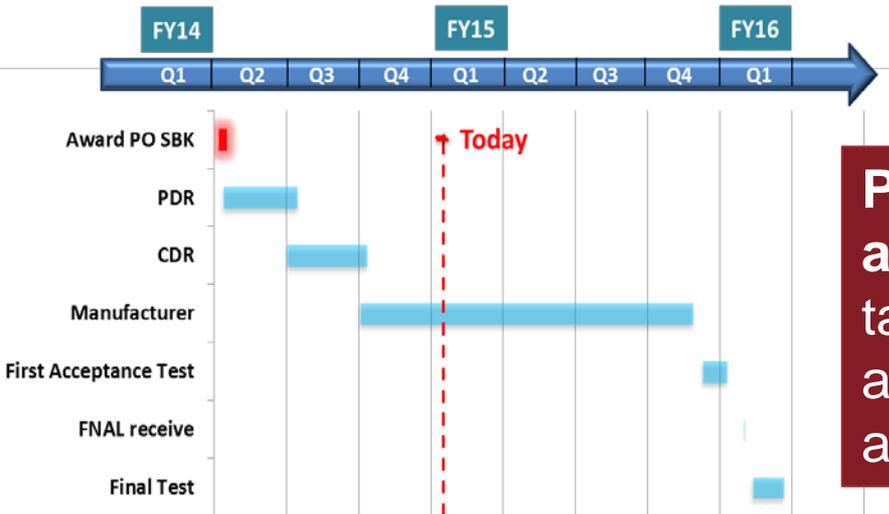
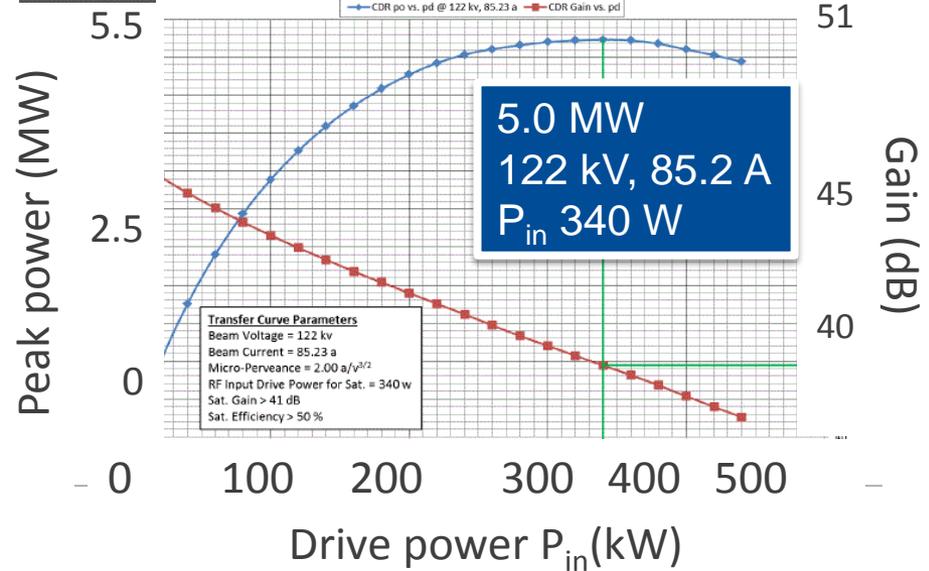


PIP – Linac 200 MHz RF system: HLRF



Courtesy:  EPFL
École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne

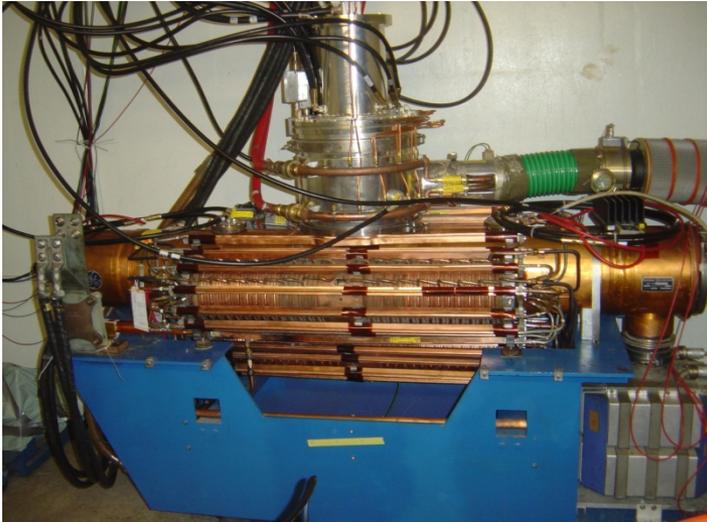
VKP-8201A CDR - RF Circuit Design - 1D Simulation Code (LSCEX)
 Peak Power Output & Gain vs. Peak RF Input Drive Power



**PIP to PIP-II
 adjustment:
 task completes
 after successful
 acceptance-test**

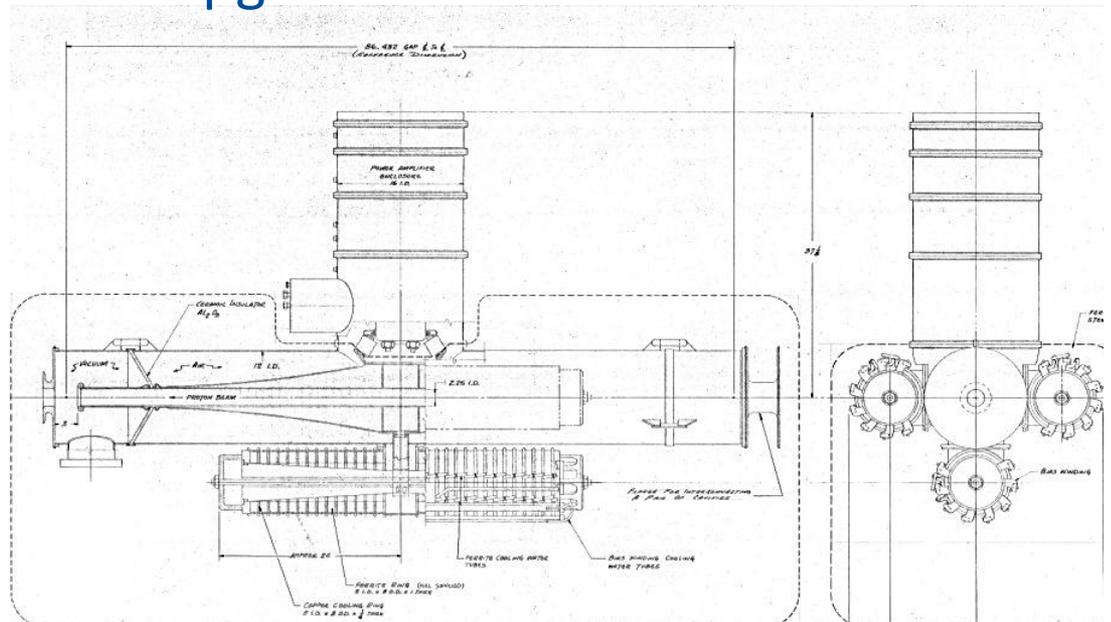
DTL
 f_0 : 201.25 MHz
 Saturated efficiency: > 48%
 Perveance: 2.0 mA/V^{1.5}
 PRF: 15 Hz
 Pulse length: 450 msec
 J_{cath} : 1 A/cm²
 Expected lifetime: > 200 hrs

Booster RF cavity



Designed in 1969 – several small modifications but largely original cavity

- 19 stations
- 2 gaps @ ~ 24 kV
- Tunable 24 – 53 MHz
- Power amplifier system already upgraded to solid-state in PIP



Booster PIP - Refurbishment of 40 year old cavities

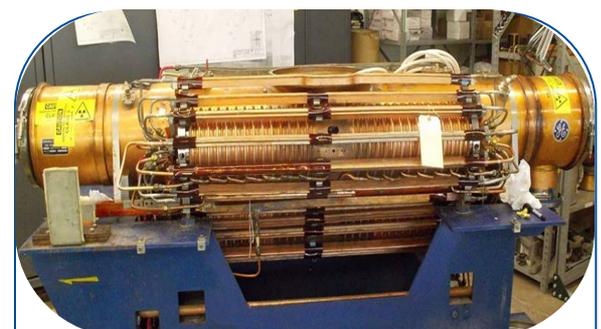
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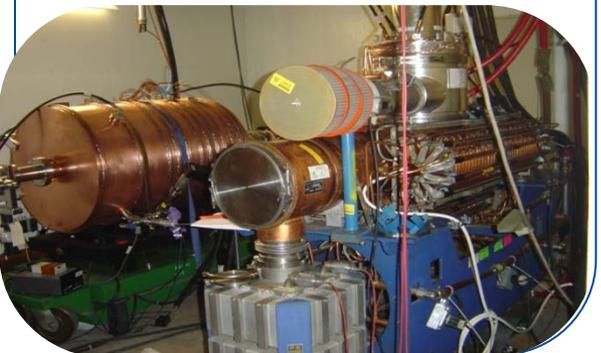
Cavity Removal - Stripping



Tuners Rebuild



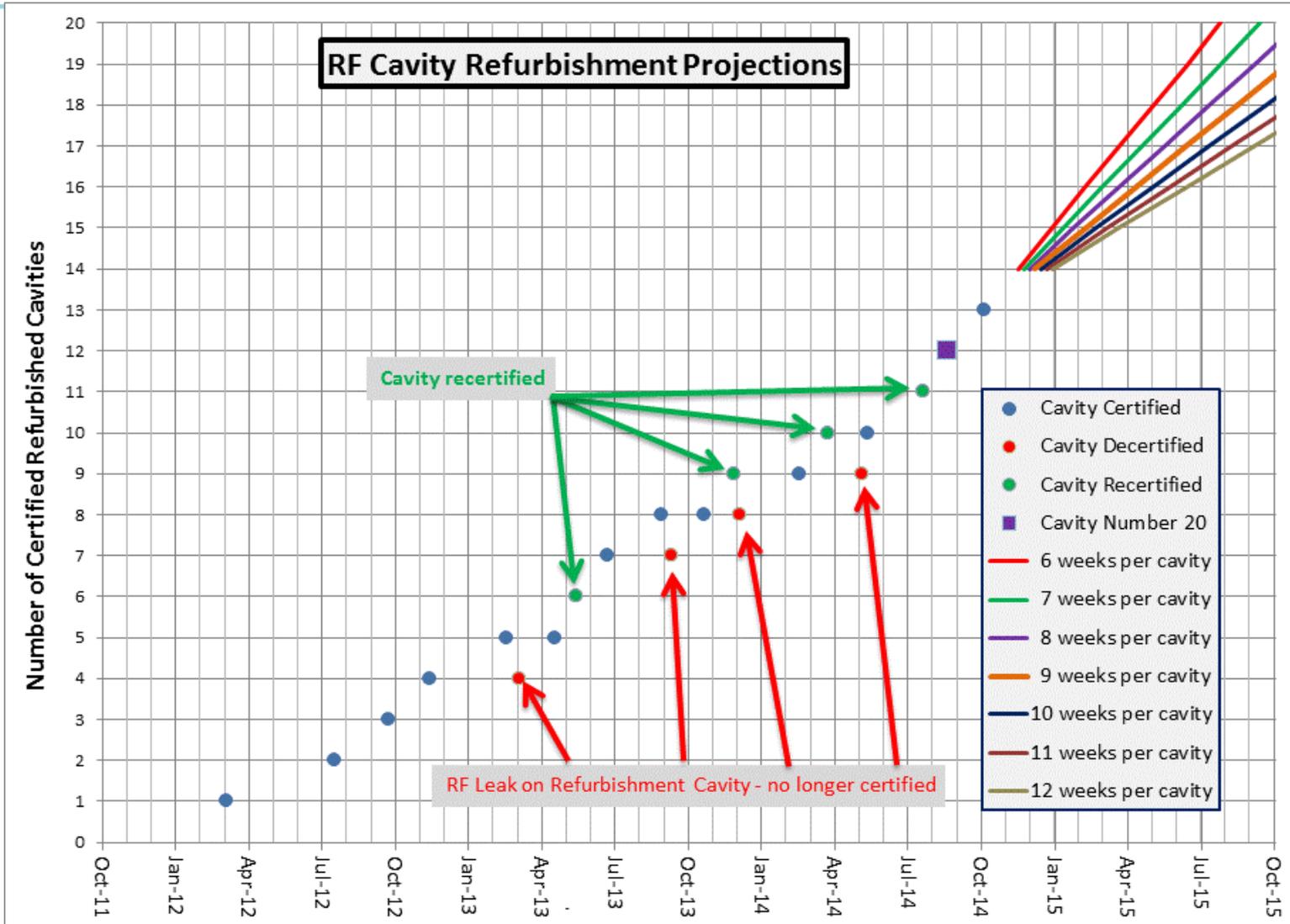
Rebuild and Test



Booster refurbishment

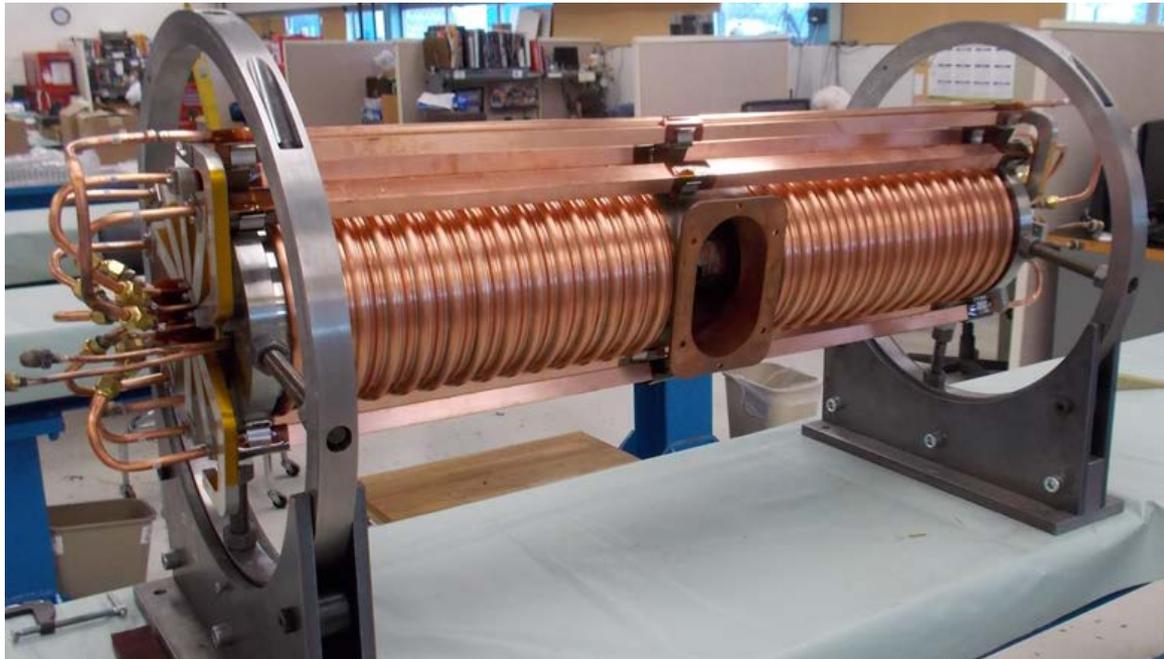
- Goals: Completion of Refurbishment in FY15
 - (19+1) cavities after refurbishment is complete
 - (+1) comes from an originally rejected cavity
 - 22 cavities will be the final number
 - 2 cavities will come from the Proton Driver project after modifications to their aperture
 - Reliable 15 Hz operations will require overhead
 - Uncertain failure rate at 15 Hz operations
 - At least 17 cavities for $4.5e12$ protons per pulse
 - longitudinal beam quality is decreased, higher losses through transition.
 - Make 20 spare tuners (3 tuners per cavity)
 - New tuners will be made by TD for refurbishment as well as for long term operations.
 - Reduced repair time
 - Lower worker exposure rate

Booster RF cavity refurbishment status



New tuners

- Build new tuners to replace complete failures, accelerate refurbishment process, and reduce worker dose
- New tuner has been in service for 10 weeks of running
- Placed requisition for ferrites (enough for 20 tuners)
 - worked with vendor (National) for 2+ years to get recipe for ferrites correct
 - Delivery before end of year – ready to build immediately



Booster RF station (Solid State upgrade completed in FY13)

Ferrite Bias
Supply

Modulator

Control
Rack

SSD

Controls

Ferrite Bias
Supply

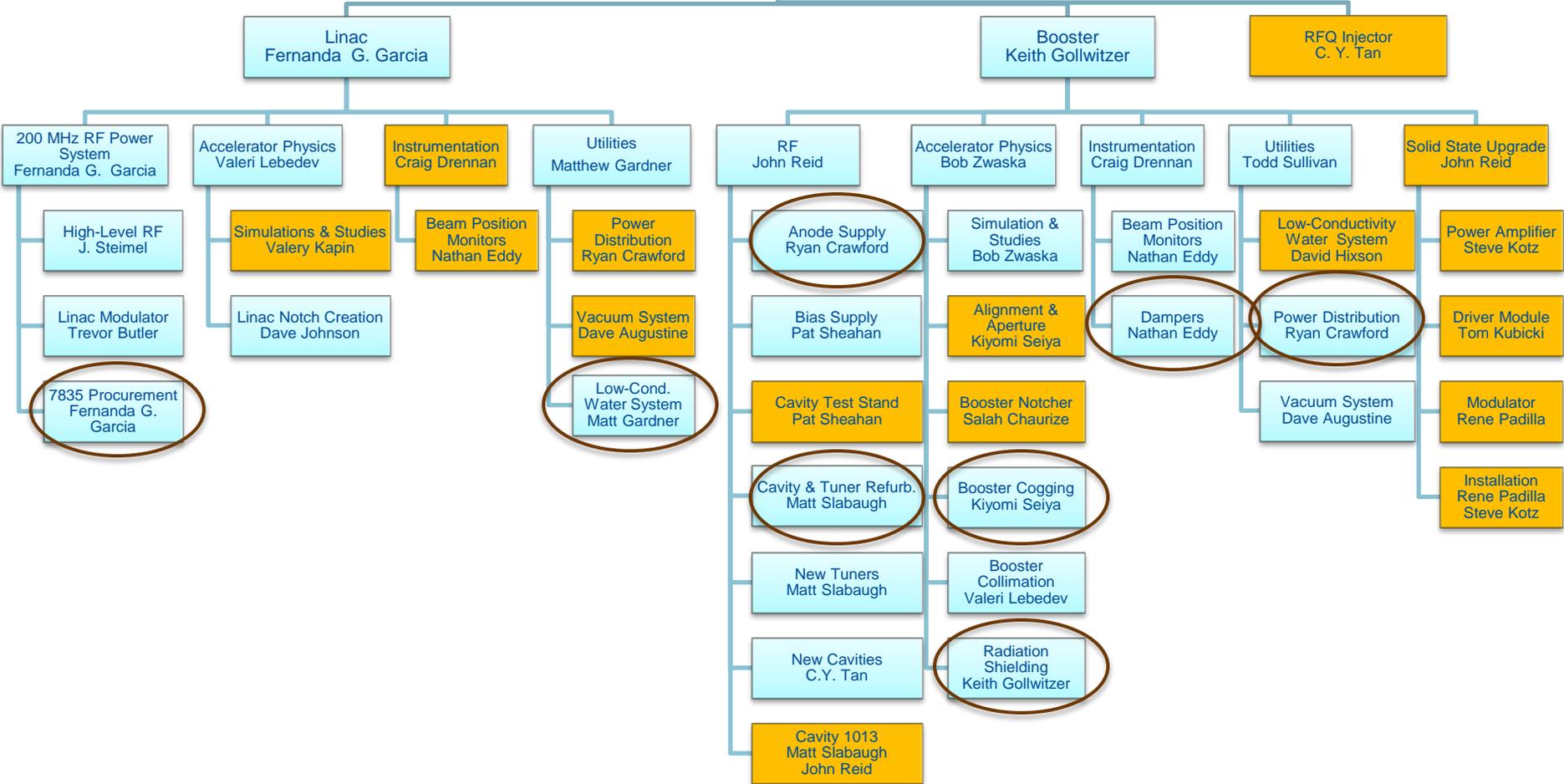
Modulator



Original Booster RF Station

Upgraded RF Station
with SSD + New Modulator

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 Valeri Lebedev, Senior Physicist



Conclusion

- PIP has been working for three years
 - Many infrastructure upgrades already performed
 - Notching improvements are straightforward path to higher throughput
 - Control loss with improved notching in Booster
 - Eliminate loss with laser notching in MEBT
 - 200 MHz RF: replace modulators, reduce risk on power amplifiers
 - Booster cavities: refurbish all, gain overhead, replace many parts
- Transition time coming for PIP:
 - Increased proton demand to be realized with Recycler commissioning, new experiments
 - Scope adjustments to anticipate a PIP-II Linac replacement



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