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# Beam stacking experiment proposal at KURNS 19/05/22

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# Experiment goals

This experiment aims to answer 2 questions for FETS-FFA:

- How many protons can we accumulate without beam loss by beam stacking at top energy?
- How many protons can we capture and extract without beam loss after beam stacking?

Note: “without beam loss” to be defined later (e.g. 5%, 1%, or 0.1%).

# Main Ring parameters

Radius	4.54 m
RF frequency	1.6 ~ 5.2 MHz
Revolution time	0.625 ~ 0.192 $\mu$ s
Beta (11 MeV, 18 MeV)	0.1518, 0.1931 (ratio=1.27)
Beta (11 MeV, 47 MeV)	0.1518, 0.3052 (ratio=2.01)
Beta (0.4 GeV, 1.2 GeV)	0.7131, 0.8986 (ratio=1.26)

# Experiment proposal

## ● 3 Steps:

1. Coasting beam characterisation: 1 week
2. Measurement of interference of empty bucket (accelerating RF without beam): 1 week
3. Measurement of stacked beam: 1 week

# First stage: One bunch only

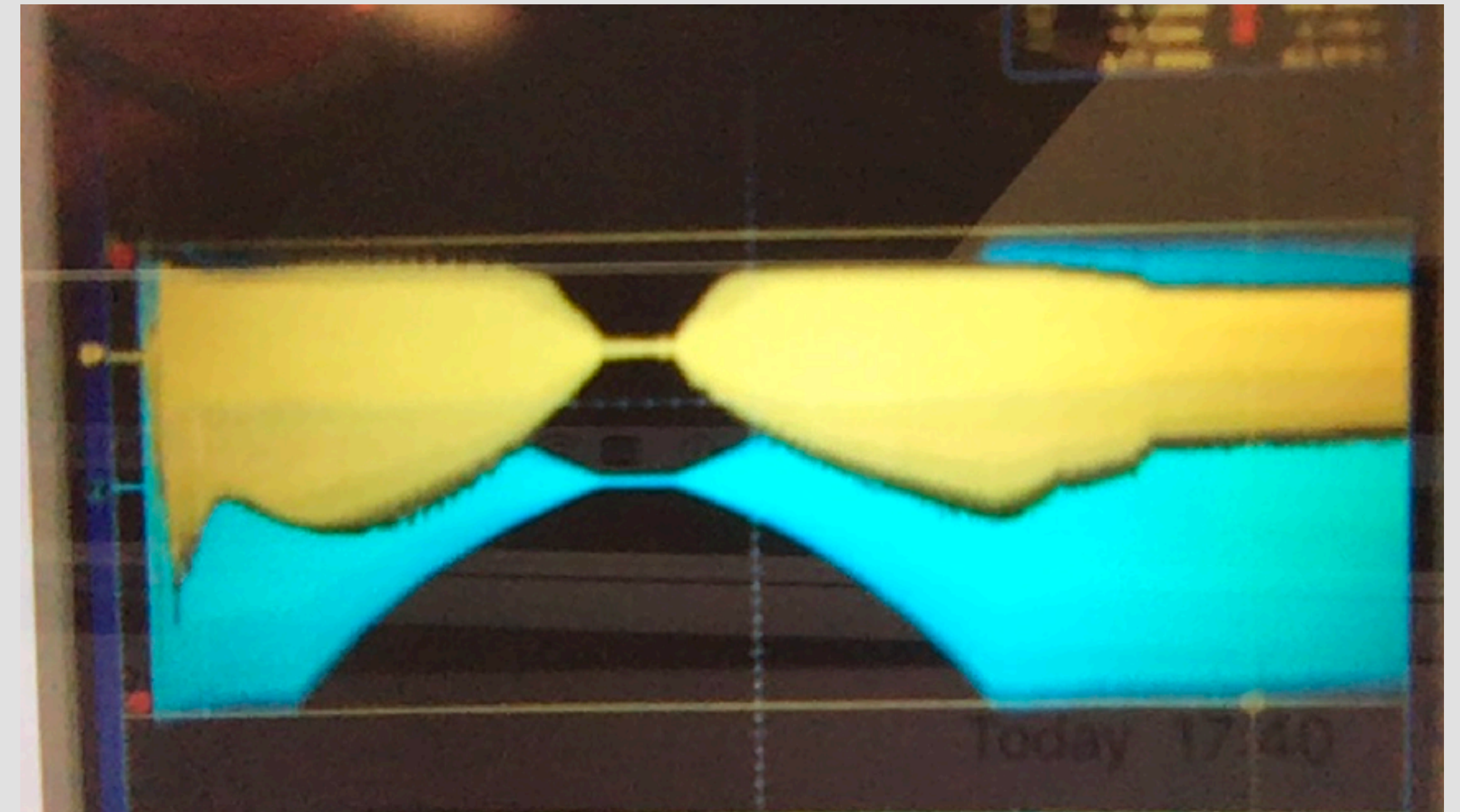
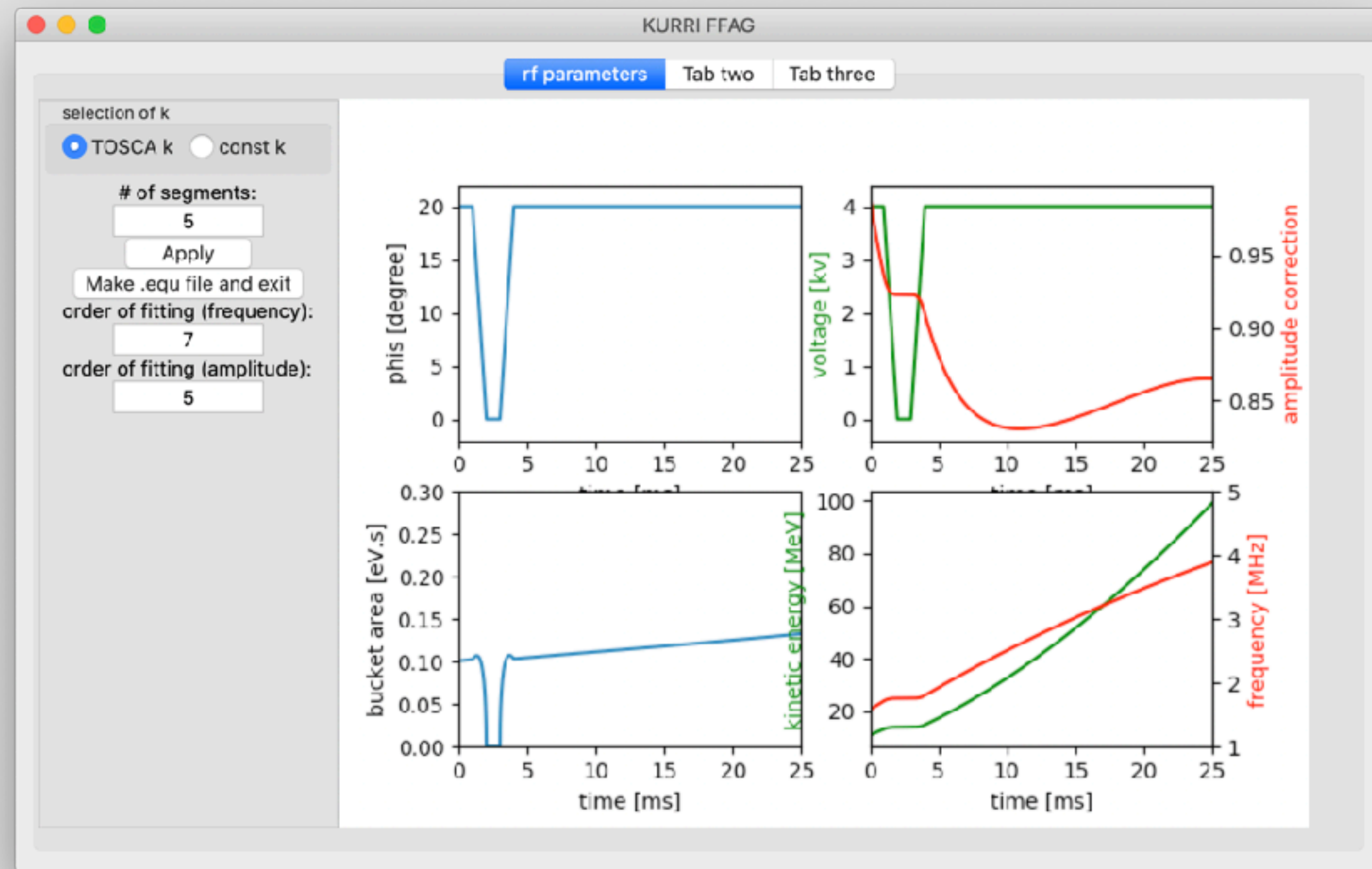
- Accelerate 1st bunch to final energy  $E_1$
- Debunch adiabatically the 1st bunch
- Characterise the coasting beam
- Recapture the coasting beam, measure it, redebunch it



# One bunch only

Subject	Preparation	Measurements
Debunch adiabatically the 1st bunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determine RF profile (frequency and voltage) to minimise <math>\Delta p/p</math> after debunch</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>\Delta p/p</math> measurement</li> <li>• Transverse beam profile measurement</li> </ul>
Rebunch the coasting beam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determine RF profile (frequency and voltage) to minimise longitudinal emittance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beam intensity measurement</li> <li>• Longitudinal tomography measurement</li> <li>• Transverse beam profile measurement</li> </ul>
Repeat debunch and rebunch process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Same as above</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beam intensity, <math>\Delta p/p</math> increase at debunch, longitudinal emittance increase at rebunch and transverse beam profile increase vs. the number of process</li> </ul>

# RF script and bunch monitor signal (2019)



yellow: bunch monitor  
blue: RF signal



# Second Stage: Empty bucket

- Accelerate 1st bunch to final energy  $E_1$
- Debunch adiabatically the 1st bunch
- Measure the interference of the accelerating RF (no beam) on the coasting beam



# Coasting beam and empty bucket

Subject	Preparation	Measurements
<p>After debunching at E1, increase RF voltage with frequency at several points between injection and E1.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simulation to see how the coasting beam is affected.</li> <li>• When E1 is increased and RF frequency ratio approach 2, how quickly interference grows?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>\Delta p / p</math> measurement vs time (time scale should be determined by simulation)</li> <li>• Transverse beam profile measurement</li> </ul>
<p>Increase the energy of an empty bucket and adiabatically decrease voltage as if the beam is accelerated and debunched.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simulation to see how the coasting beam is affected.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>\Delta p / p</math> measurement</li> <li>• Transverse beam profile measurement</li> </ul>
<p>(optionally) rebunch the coasting beam</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Same with one bunch</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beam intensity measurement</li> <li>• Longitudinal tomography measurement</li> <li>• Transverse beam profile measurement</li> </ul>

# Third stage: Stacked beam

- Accelerate 1st bunch to final energy  $E_1$
- Debunch adiabatically the 1st bunch
- Inject & accelerate a second bunch to  $E_2 < E_1$
- Debunch adiabatically the second bunch
- Characterise the coasting beam
- Recapture the resulting total beam
- Measure the beam

# Stacked beam

Subject	Preparation	Measurements
<p>Increase the energy of the 2nd beam and adiabatically decrease voltage.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simulation to see how the coasting beam is affected and the 2nd beam is added.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>\Delta p / p</math> measurement</li> <li>• Transverse beam profile measurement</li> </ul>
<p>Rebunch the coasting beam from the 2 accelerations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determine RF profile (frequency and voltage) to minimise longitudinal emittance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beam intensity measurement</li> <li>• Longitudinal tomography measurement</li> <li>• Transverse beam profile measurement</li> </ul>
<p>Repeat debunch and rebunch process (similar to measurement with one bunch but different <math>\Delta p / p</math>)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Beam intensity, <math>\Delta p / p</math> increase at debunch, longitudinal emittance increase at rebunch and transverse beam profile increase vs. the number of process</b></li> </ul>



# Questions/preparations

- Simulation study to optimise RF profile for debunch, rebunch and merging bunches
- AWG input: Current RF system?
- Measurement of momentum spread?
- Determination of E2?



# Schedule

- Need a few months for preparation
- Reasonable date would be next winter (January, February 2023)