

# LCLS Project Overview

## - Controls Perspective

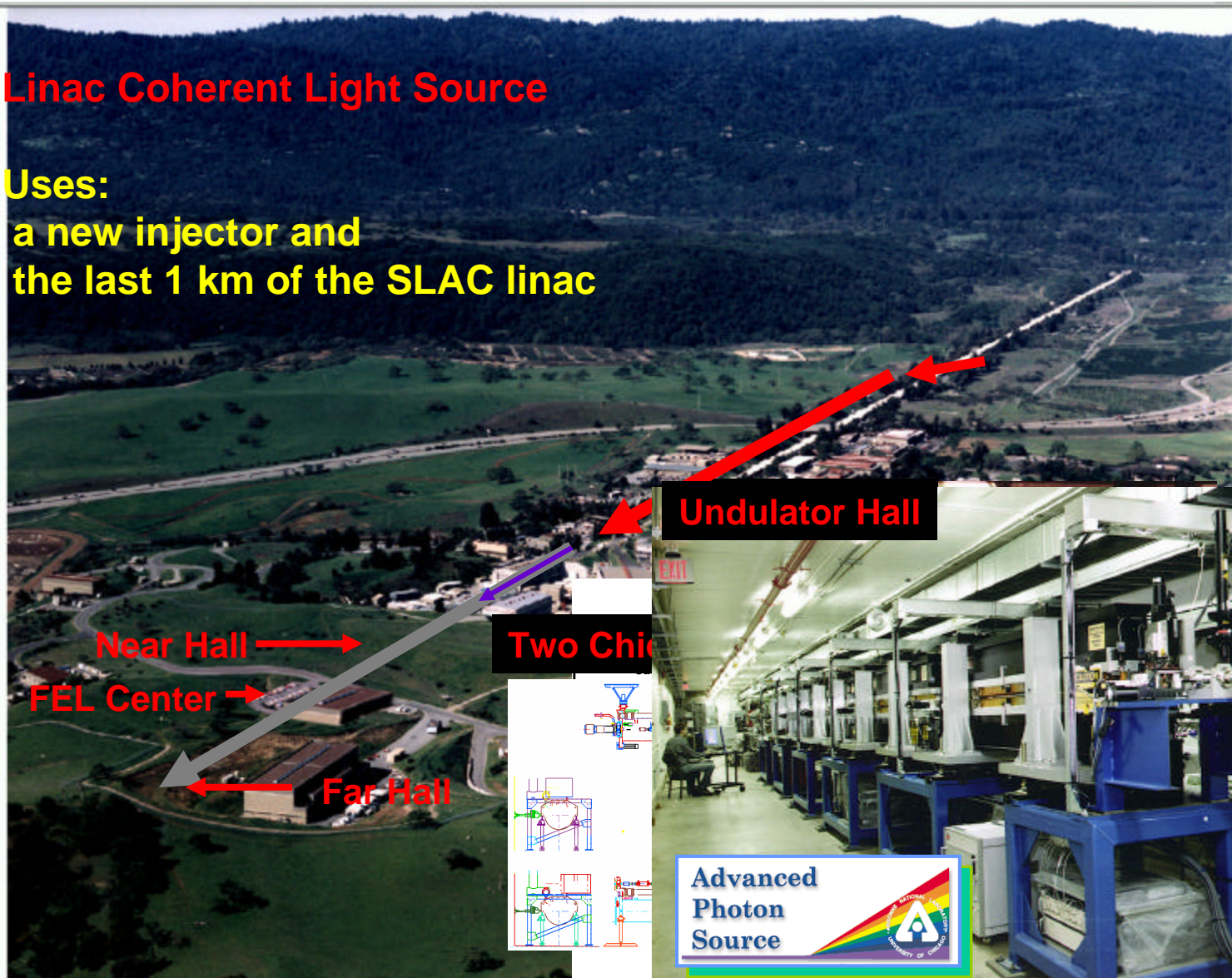
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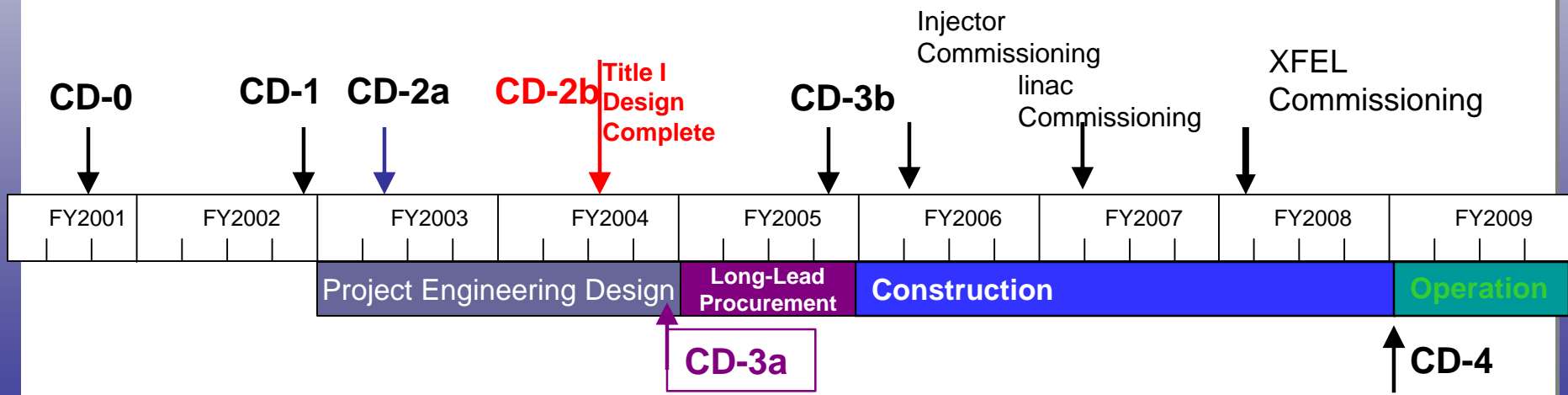
## Linac Coherent Light Source

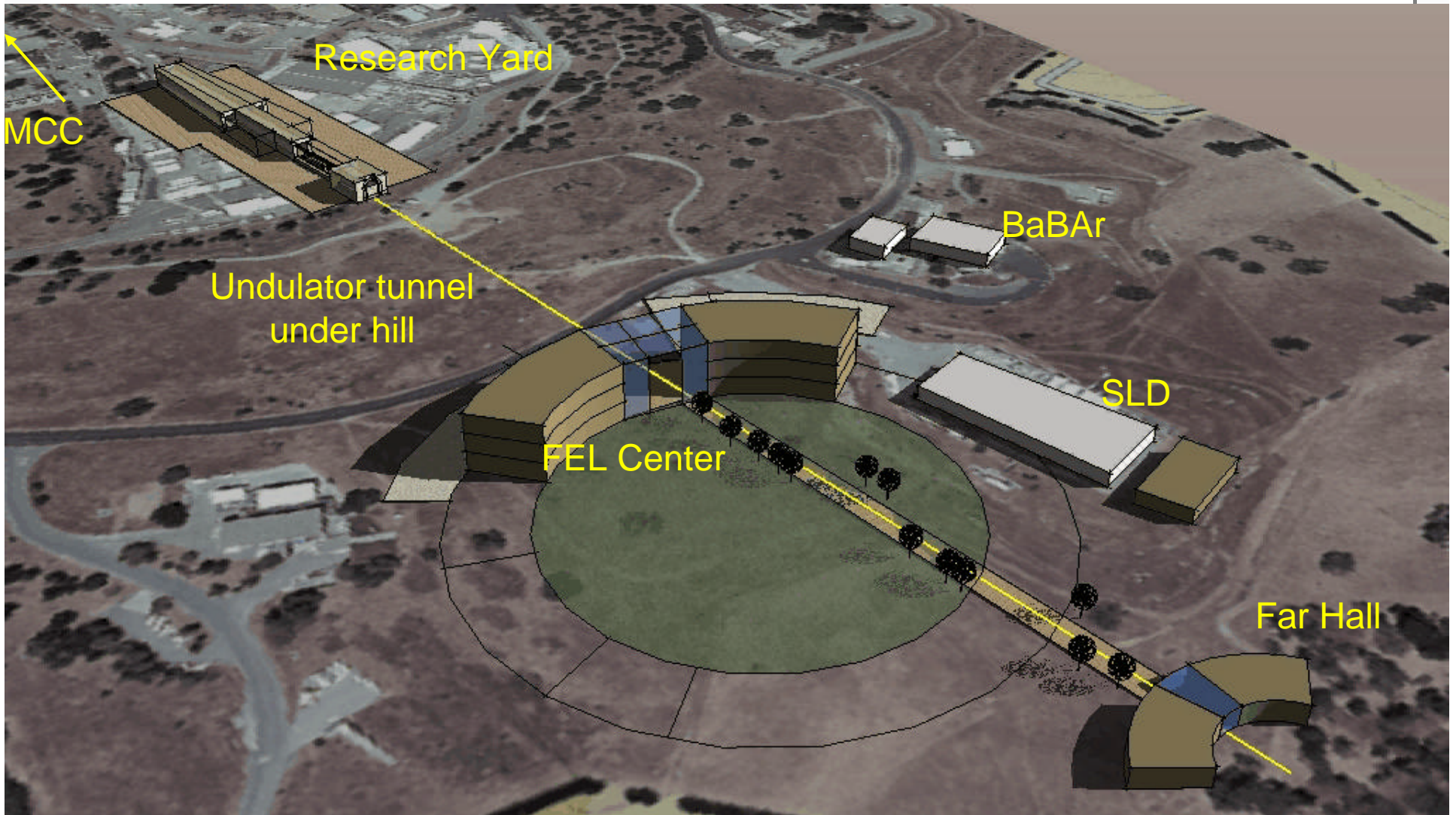
Uses:  
a new injector and  
the last 1 km of the SLAC linac



## LCLS - Estimated Cost, Schedule

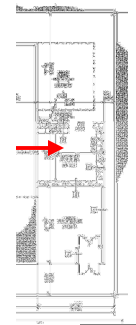
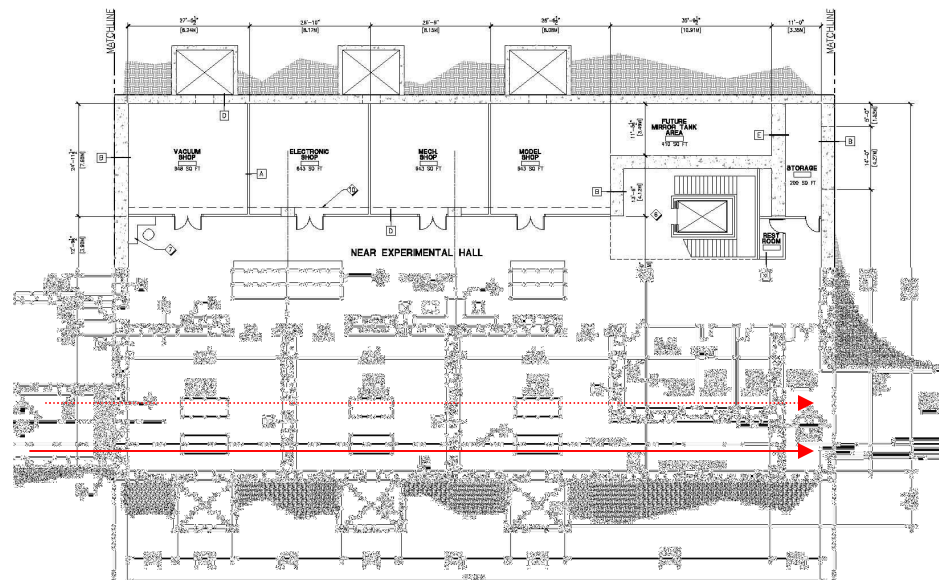
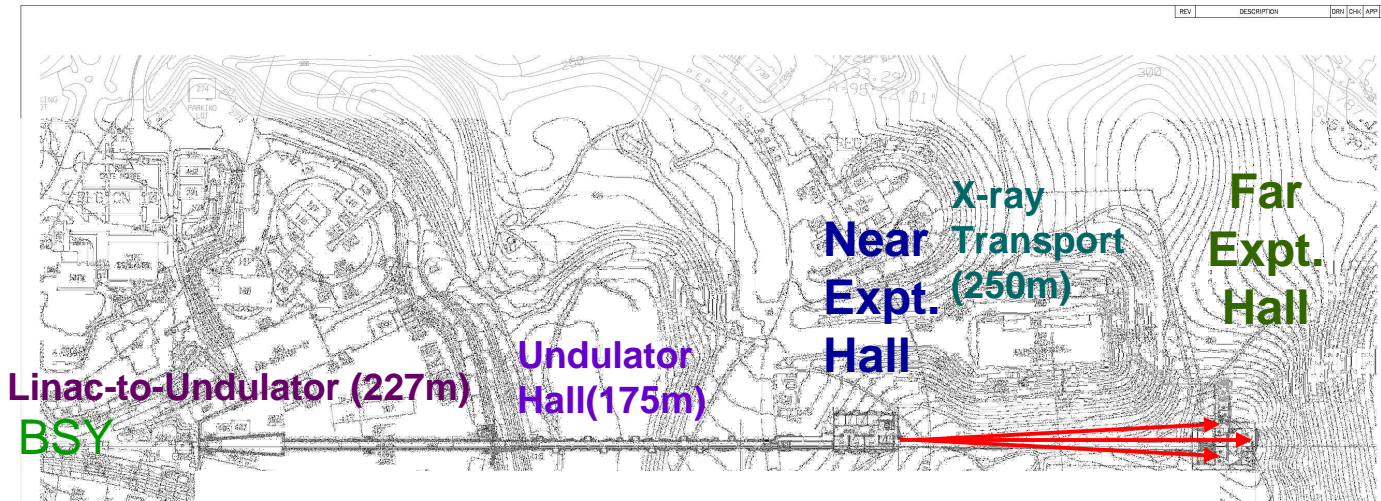
- **\$273M Total Estimated Cost**
- **\$315M Total Project Cost (PEP-II was ~\$180M)**
  - **FY2005** Long-lead purchases for injector, undulator
  - **FY2006** Construction begins
  - **FY2007** FEL Commissioning begins
  - **September 2008** Construction complete – operations begins



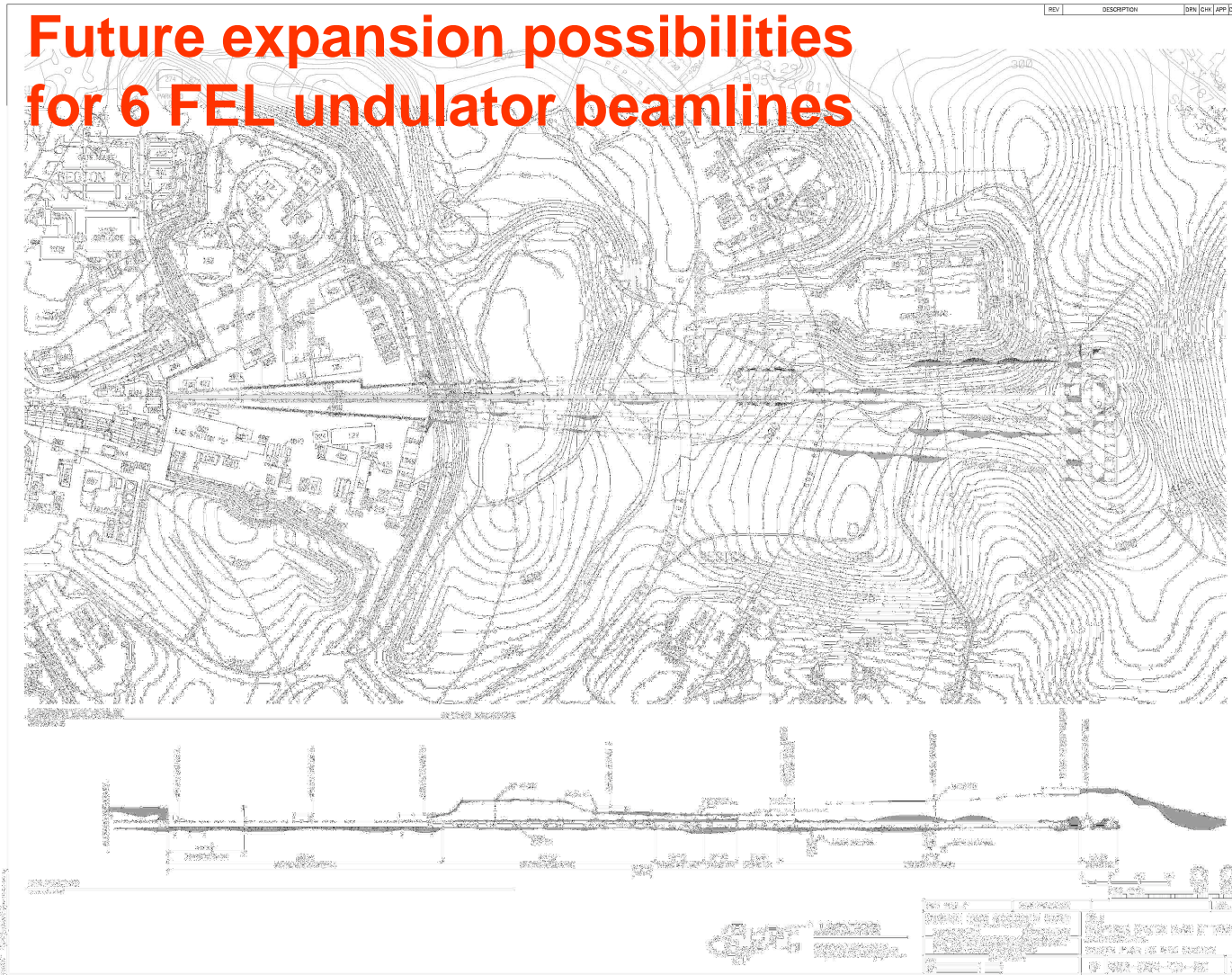


## The worlds first X-ray laser!

- “Conventional” laser cavities need mirrors
- But, mirrors don’t work with x-rays
- So the laser “cavities” have to be stacked end to end and the photons make a single pass through a looong structure
- Atoms don’t radiate at x-ray wavelengths, but high-energy electrons will *in an undulator*
- Free Electrons, NOW!



# Future expansion possibilities for 6 FEL undulator beamlines



## What's special about a laser at x-ray wavelengths?

- At shorter wavelengths **smaller** details become visible
  - Like molecules and atoms
- Laser radiation is **coherent**, so 3D images can be created (of molecules!)
- The radiation will be 1,000,000,000,000 **brighter** than any other x-ray source
- That's enough photons to take an image of one molecule in **one flash**



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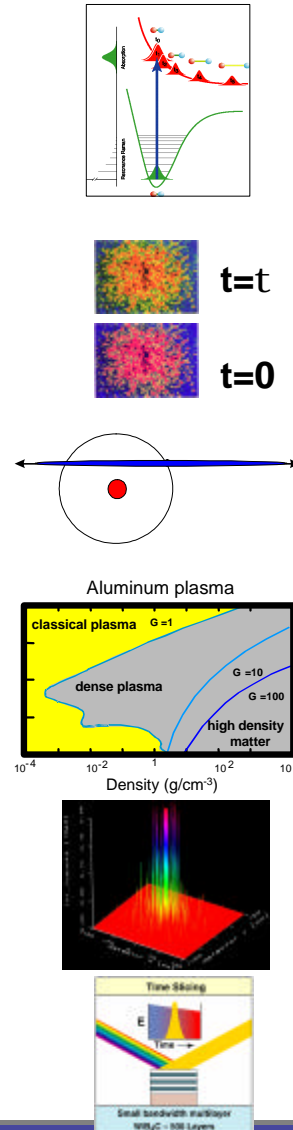
- That one flash is very, very short, **femtoseconds**
- **Freeze-frame** images of molecular motion
- And capture the image before the sample vaporizes
  
- A whole new science waiting to be developed!

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Program developed by international team of scientists working with accelerator and laser physics communities

*“the beginning... not the end”*



**Femtochemistry**

**Nanoscale Dynamics in Condensed matter**

**Atomic Physics**

**Plasma and Warm Dense Matter**

**Structural Studies on Single Particles and Biomolecules**

**FEL Science/Technology**

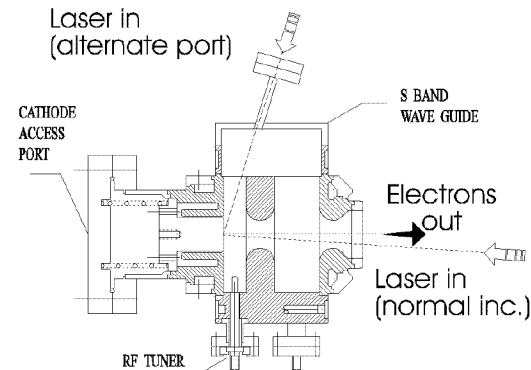
## Technical Challenges - Injector

### ■ Gun

- normalized emittance
- 120 Hz (power)

- Laser and cathode -120 Hz, spatial and temporal shaping

- Longitudinal Space Charge, CSR (Laser Heater)



## Key accelerator physics factors driving controls design

- Precision beams
  - low emittance, short bunch lengths
- Stringent stability requirements
  - Feedback control of orbit, charge energy and bunch length
- Single pass beams
  - unlike storage ring, every pulse potentially different
- Precision timing requirements

## Key facility factors driving controls design

- Undulator machine protection
  - Single pulse abort capability
- Compatibility with non-LCLS beams
  - Straight through beams some months of the year
  - Hybridize new controls with old SLC controls
  - LCLS controls can provide the upgrade path for the rest of the linac

## Design solutions for specialized diagnostics

- Low emittance beams require
  - Precision wire scanners
    - Average projected emittance
    - Almost non-invasive diagnostic
  - Profile monitor
    - Single pulse full beam profile
    - OTR screens inhibit *sase* operation
    - Low energy injector beams require YAG screens
  - Slice emittance reconstruction
    - Transverse RF deflecting cavity with profile monitor

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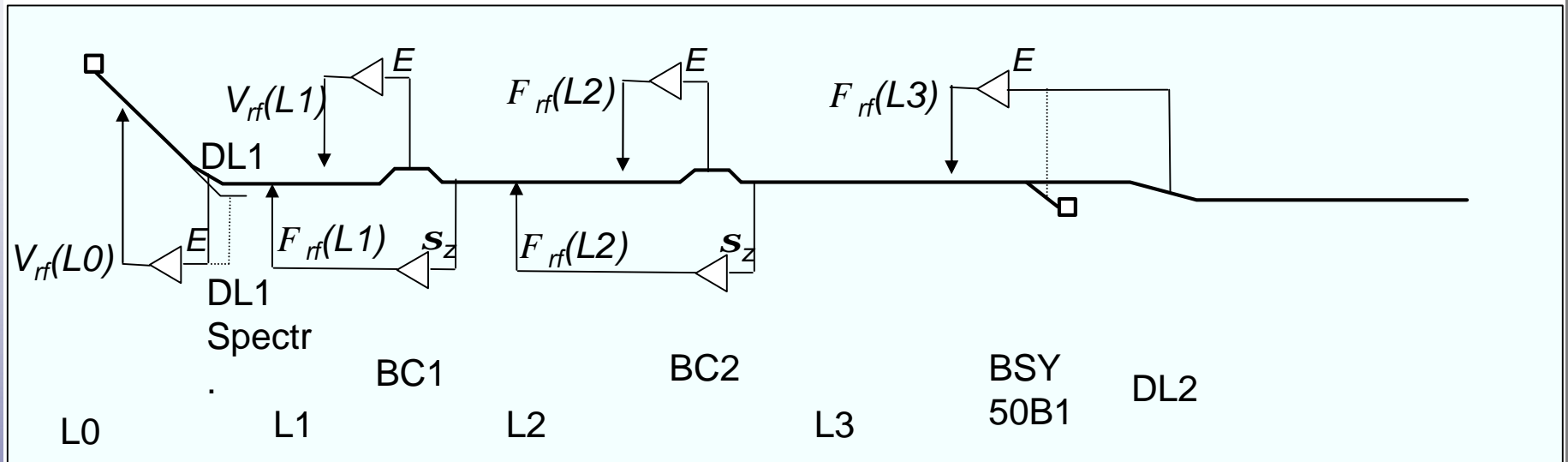
- Short bunch, high peak current beams require
  - Longitudinal bunch profile measurement with sub-picosecond resolution
    - Transverse RF deflecting cavity
    - Electro optic bunch length measurement
  - A non-invasive bunch length monitoring system for pulse-to-pulse feedback control
    - Spectral power detectors for CSR and CDR
  - A detector sensitive to micro-bunch instabilities
    - CSR spectrum

## Feedback global requirements

- Description of feedback types and locations
  - Orbit
  - charge
  - energy
  - bunch length
- Control system response time
  - 120 Hz single pulse data transfer, zero latency

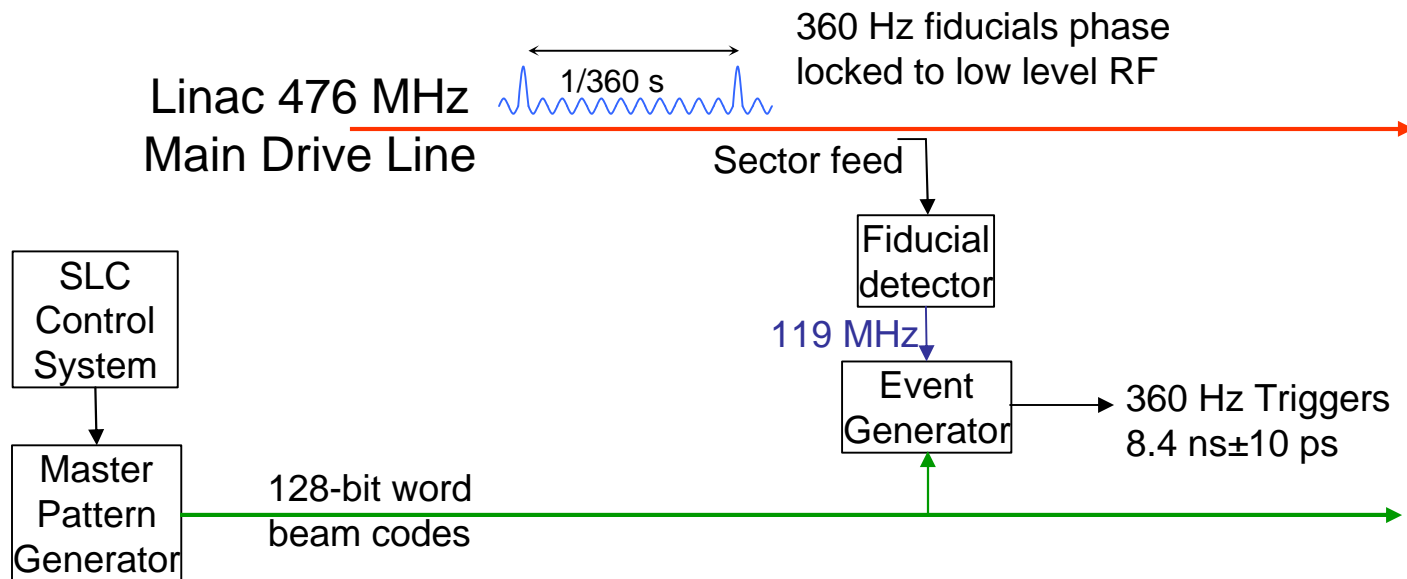


# Energy and Bunch Length Feedback Loops



## Timing system requirements

- Synchronization of fiducials in low-level RF with distribution of triggers in the control system



## 3 Levels in the Timing System

- “coarse” triggers at 360 Hz with 8.4 ns delay step size and 20 ps jitter
  - Gated data acquisition (BPMs)
  - Pulsed devices (klystrons)
- Phase lock of the low-level RF
  - 0.05 S-band (50 fs) phase stability
- Timing measurement of the pump-probe laser w.r.t. electron beam in the undulator
  - 10 fs resolution

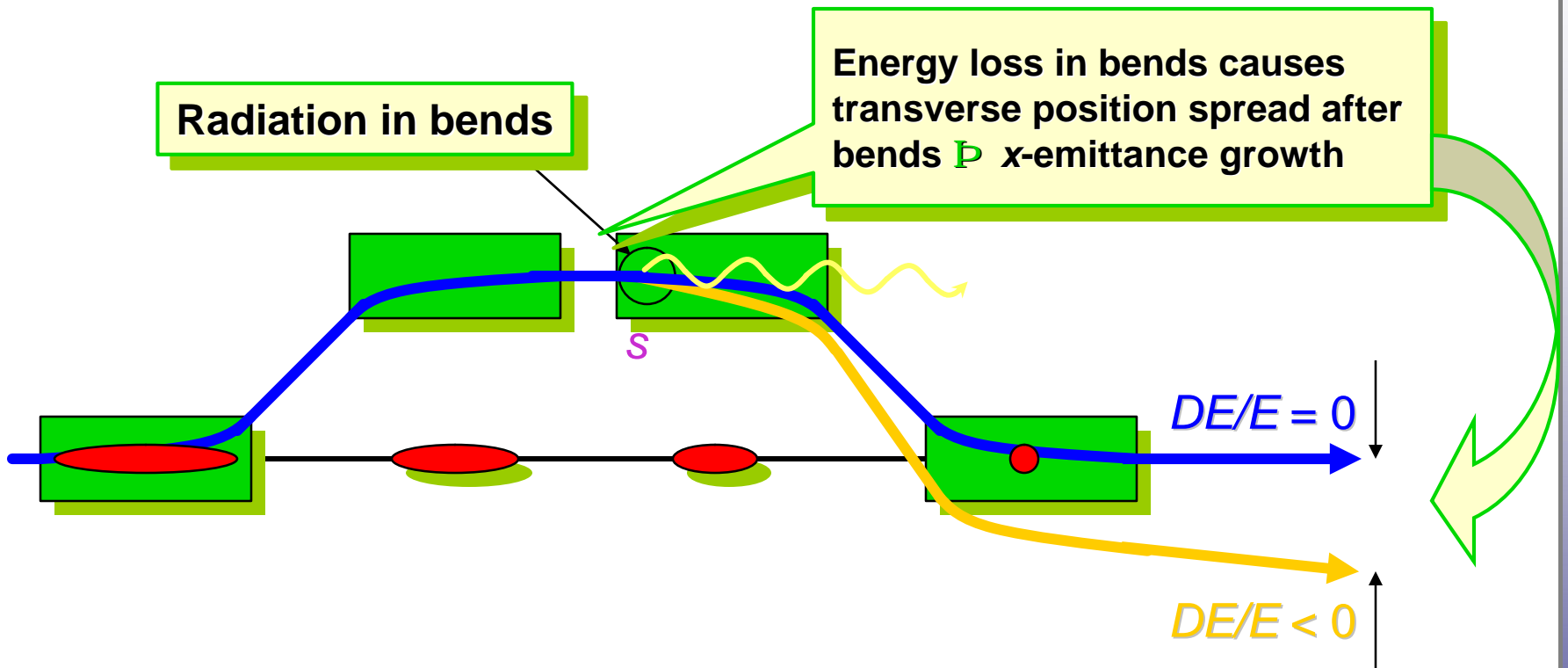
## MPS - Beam Rate Limiting

- Single bunch beam dumper (SBBD)
  - Linac beam up to the dog-leg bend in the LTU can be maintained at 120 Hz
    - Favorable for upstream stability and feedback operation
  - Pulsed magnet allows
    - Single shot, 1 Hz, 10 Hz, 120 Hz down the LTU line
    - Failure in pulsed magnet will turn off beam at gun
- Tune-up dump at end of LTU
  - Max. 10 Hz to tune-up dump
  - Stopper out will arm MPS for stopping beam with the SBBD

## Technical Challenges- Linac

- Tight control on RF phase, amplitude
- Timing jitter, and its suppression
- We are learning a lot from SPPS
  - rms “fast” ( $>1$  Hz) timing jitter  $<300$ fs,

## Coherent Synchrotron Radiation



**CSR Effects  $\Rightarrow$  Emittance Growth**

## Technical Challenges, Undulator

- 33 undulators within 0.015% of spec. field
- Undulator vertical alignment 50 microns
- Electron Trajectory walk-off within 2 microns
- Very low beam losses within undulators
- Commissioning strategy
  - Good diagnostics upstream of undulator
  - Diagnostics for electron channel

## Challenges – X-ray Transport/Optics/Diagnostics

- Extraordinary fluence, especially damaging at 1.5 nm
- Gas attenuator
- Diagnostics for x-ray beam transverse properties
- Diagnostics for x-ray pulse timing, jitter
- X-ray optics that can withstand the beam
  - photon wavelength selection
  - harmonic rejection filtering
  - split/delay
  - focus – to well below 1 micron spot