

FEL Optimization: from Model-Free to Mode-Dependent Approaches and ML prospects

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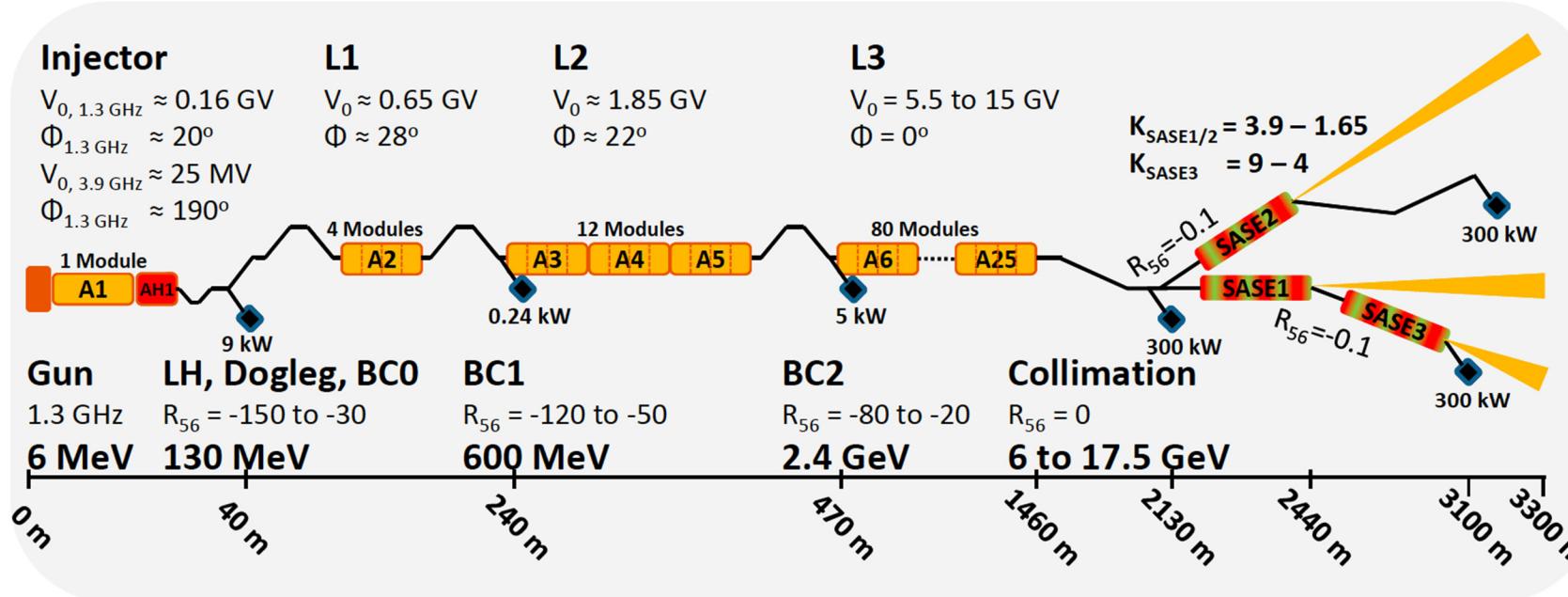
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Outline

- Motivation
- Model-free optimization and ML prospects
- Model-dependent optimizations and ML prospects
- Conclusion & Outlook

Accelerator Overview



Nominal parameters

- Electron beam energy up to 17.5 GeV
- Pulse rep. rate 10 Hz
- Bunches per pulse 2700
- Intratrain rep. rate 4.5 MHz
- Bunch charge 0.02 – 1 nC

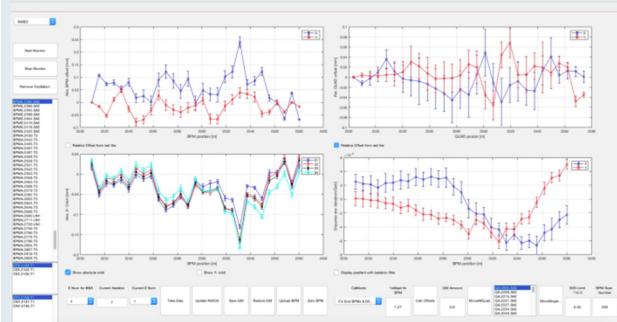
■ Electron bunches in a single pulse are distributed by a fast kicker system to three SASE undulators

Motivation

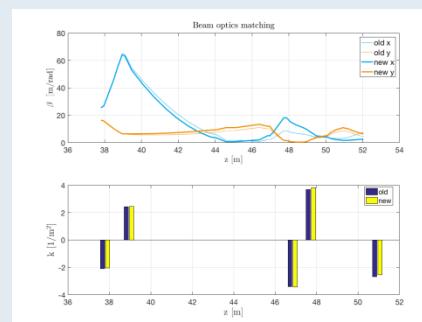
- Modern Free Electron Lasers are complex facilities with hundreds of free tuning parameters
 - Bunch compression, orbit, beam optics, gun optimization, undulator gaps, phase-shifters, etc
- Even when the main accelerator systems work well, manual fine-tuning is necessary to get the best performance **and this is time expensive**

Zoo of High Level Control tools

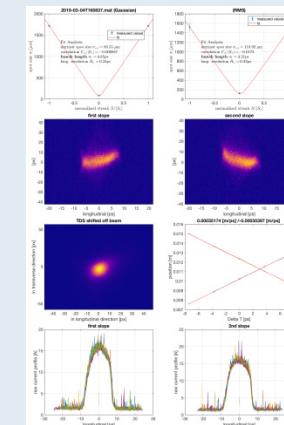
Beam Based Alignment



Beam matching



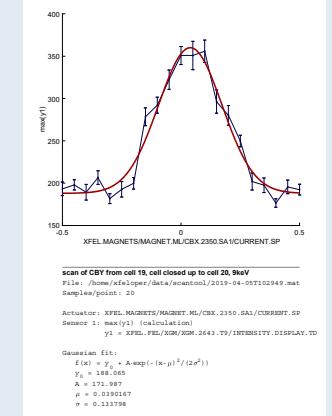
Longitudinal profile measurement



Orbit correction

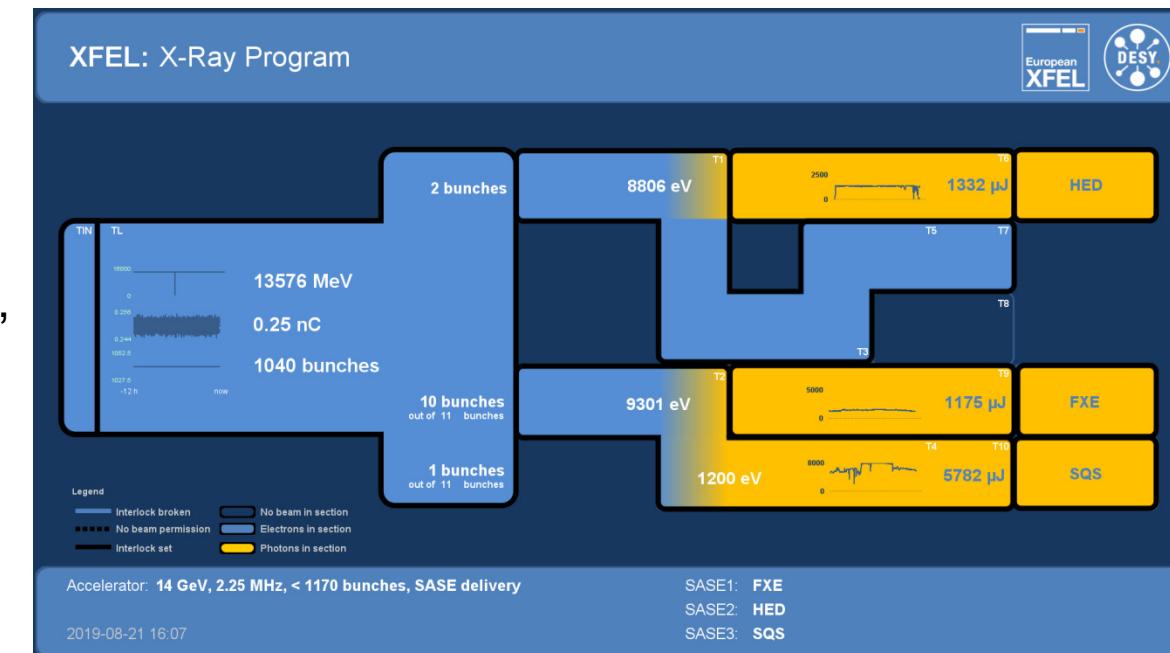


Scan tool



Motivation

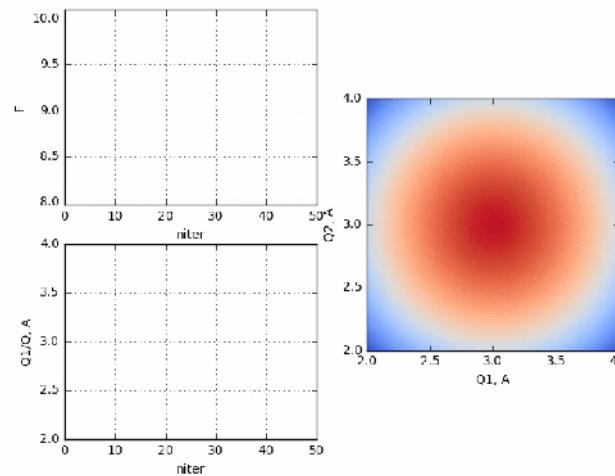
- Multi-user operation puts additional requirements on the photon beam quality and additional pressure to deliver more user beam-time
- More automation of the tuning procedures is needed
- Model-free and model-dependent optimizations
- OCELOT project:
 - OCELOT Optimizer
 - OCELOT multiphysics simulation toolkit
 - ▶ Includes: beam dynamics, photon field simulation, online beam control modules
 - everything in python
 - open source
 - <https://github.com/ocelot-collab/>



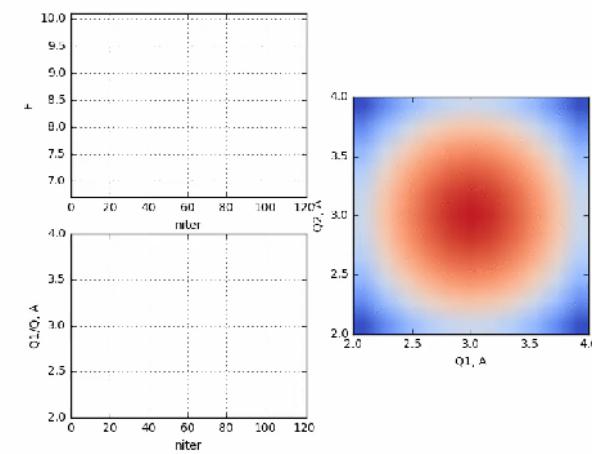
Model-free optimization

- Optimization algorithms are faster than scanning

2D scanning

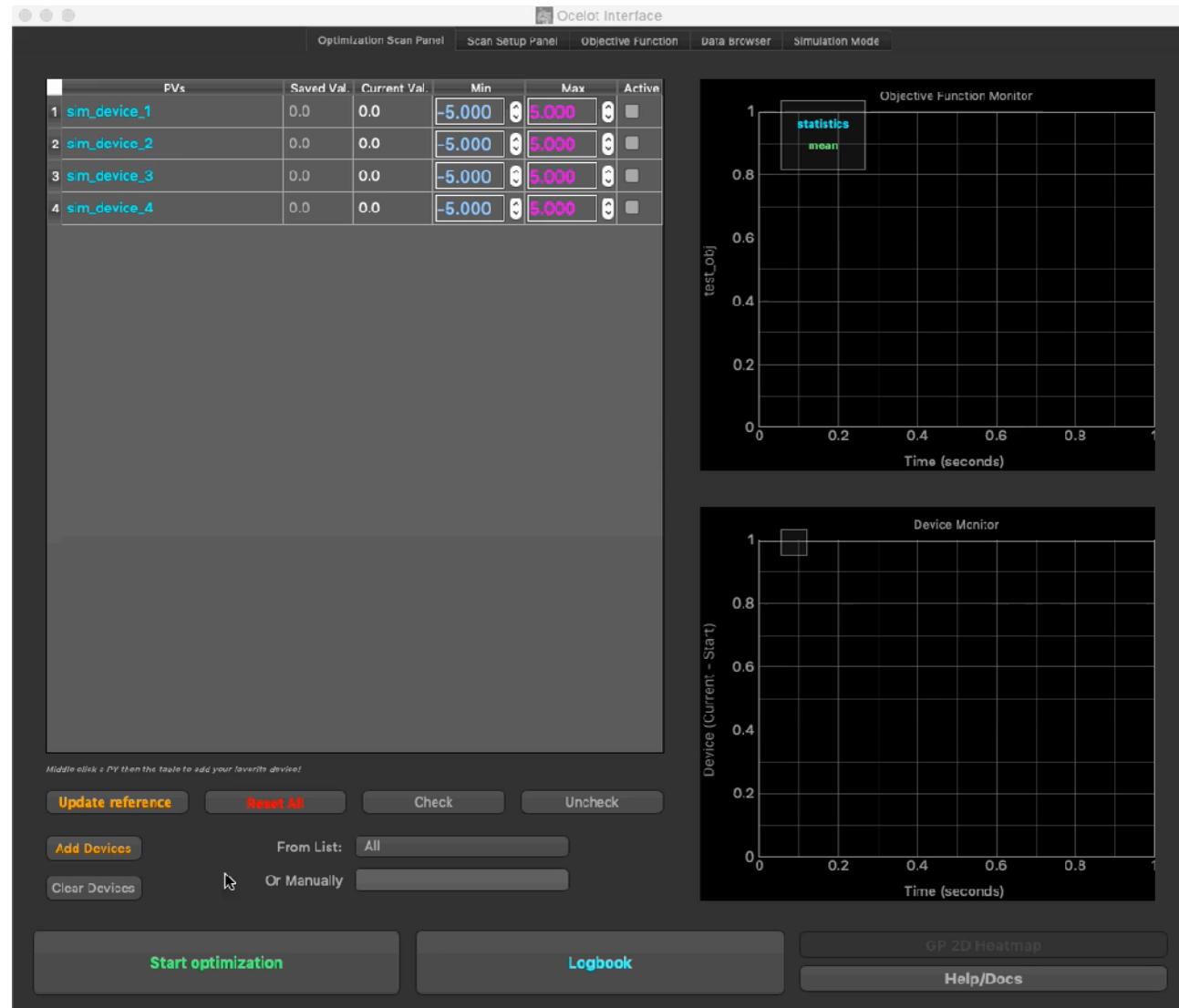


Optim. algorithm: Nelder-Mead



OCELOT Optimizer

- Optimization algorithms are faster than scanning
- OCELOT optimizer is a flexible platform for optimization:
 - Interchangeable optimization methods
 - GUI
 - ▶ Add/select device or group of devices
 - ▶ Craft/modify target function
 - Infrastructure for testing new methods
 - Save/load configs
 - Logging
- Collaboration DESY, EuXFEL, SLAC



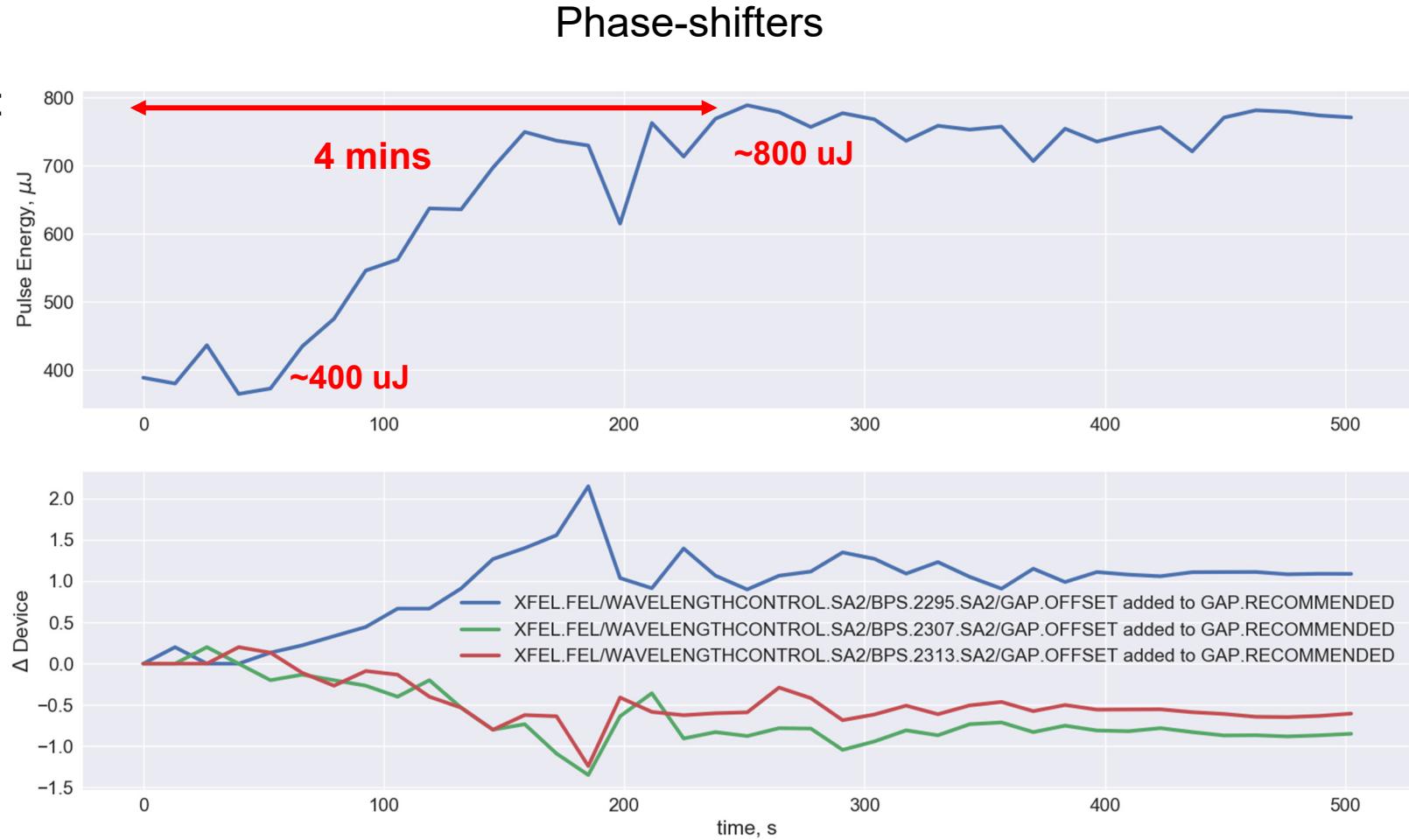
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OCELOT Optimizer: Use cases

European XFEL

- FEL pulse energy maximization:
 - ▶ Orbit inside an undulator
 - ▶ Phase-shifters
 - ▶ Orbit in injector
 - ▶ Matching quads
 - ▶ RF settings



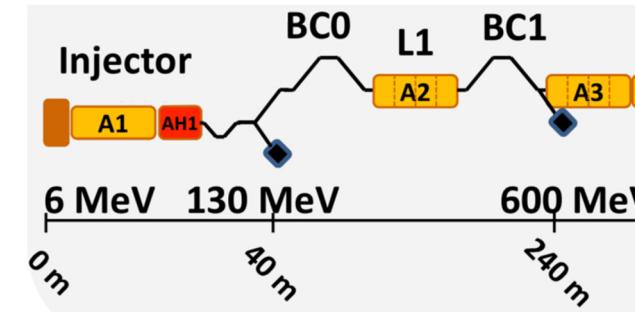
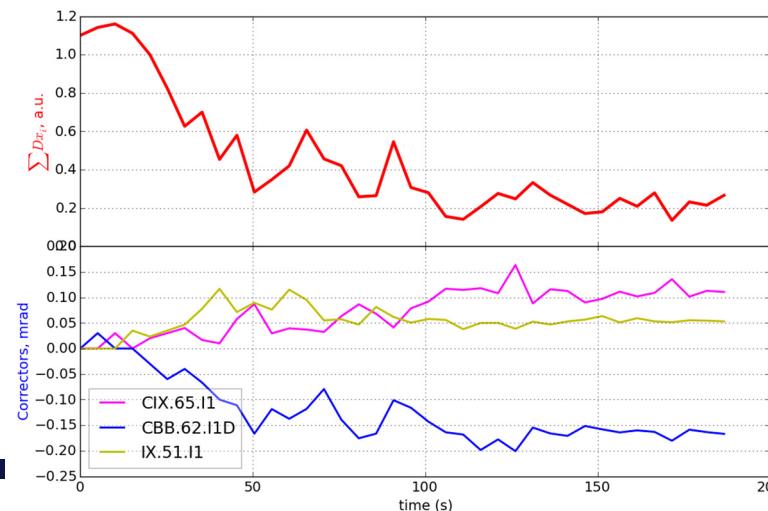
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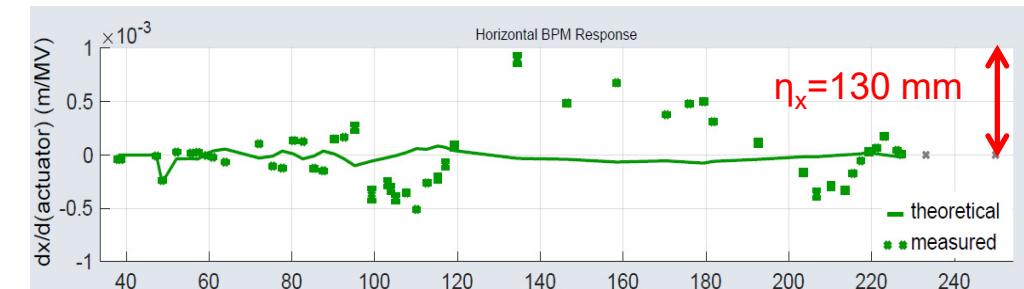
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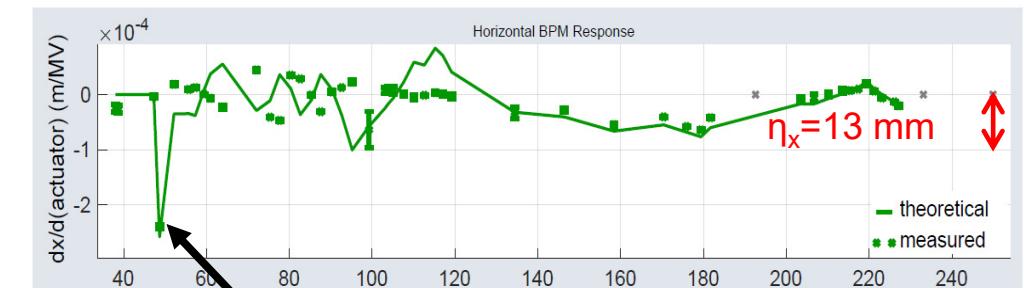
Local dispersion correction in injector



Before correction

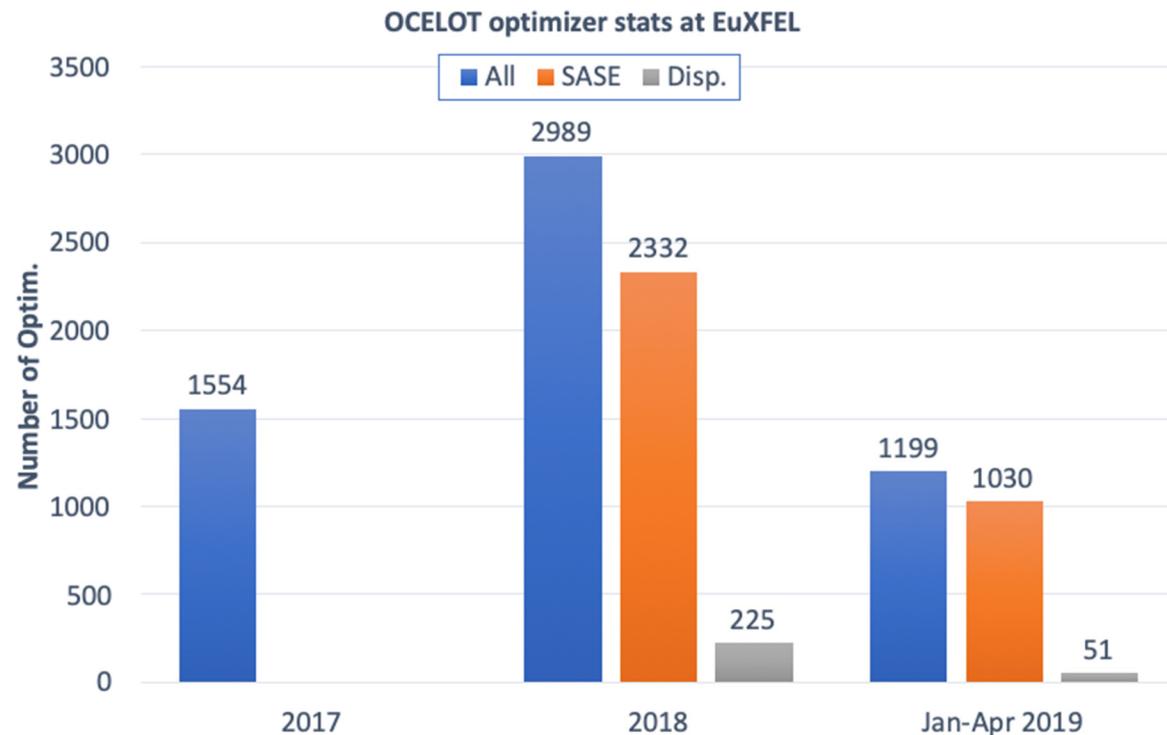


After correction

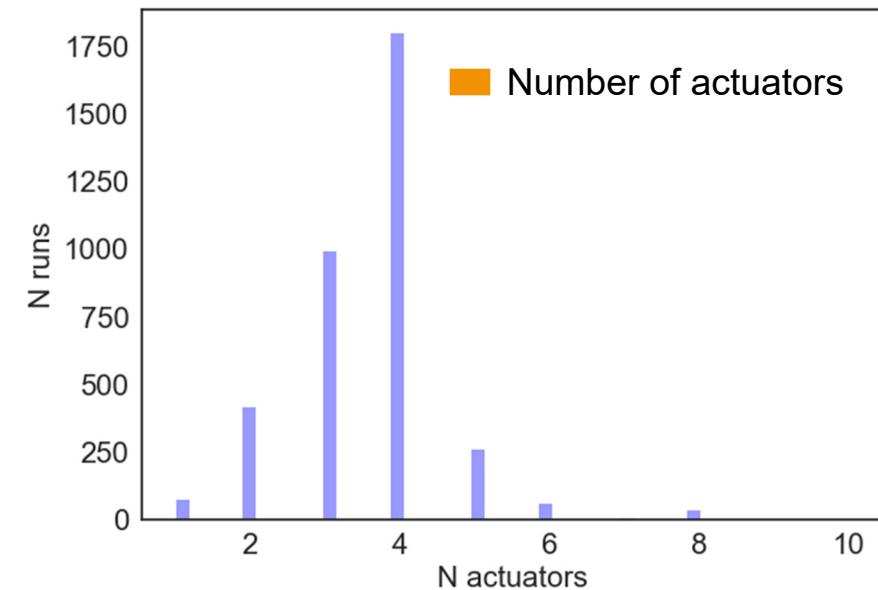
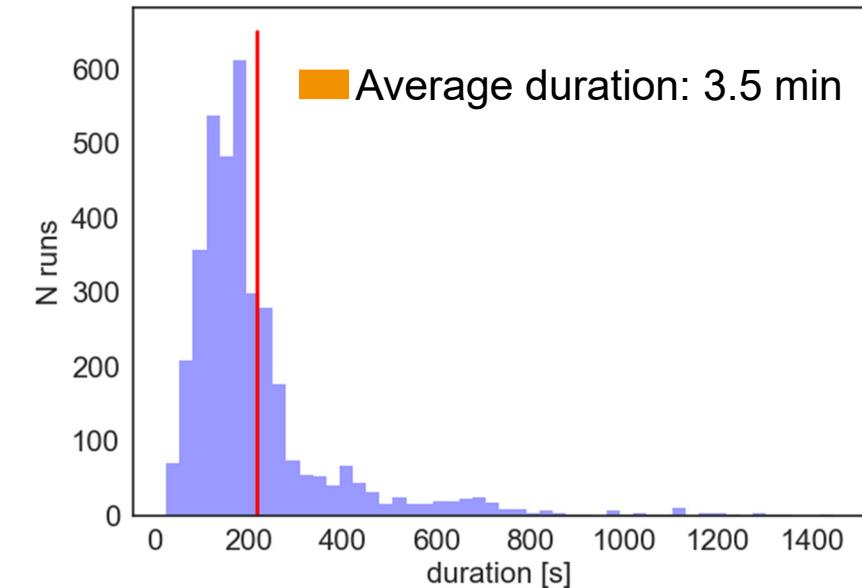


Laser Heater chicane

OCELOT Optimizer: Statistics



In most optimizations 4 devices are used and the average time duration of a single optimization is 3.5 minutes



OCELOT Optimizer: Statistics

Percentage of “effective” optimization runs

Period	$\frac{\Delta S}{S_0} > 10\%$
Dispersion local minimization	
Statistics for 16 months	62%
FEL pulse energy maximization	
Statistics for 16 months	18%

- Number of unique devices used for optimization
 - FEL optimization: **446 unique devices**
 - Dispersion: 28
- Can we identify effective devices for a particular optimization?
- Are hyperparameters of optimization methods optimally adjusted?
- More automation to speed up FEL tuning?

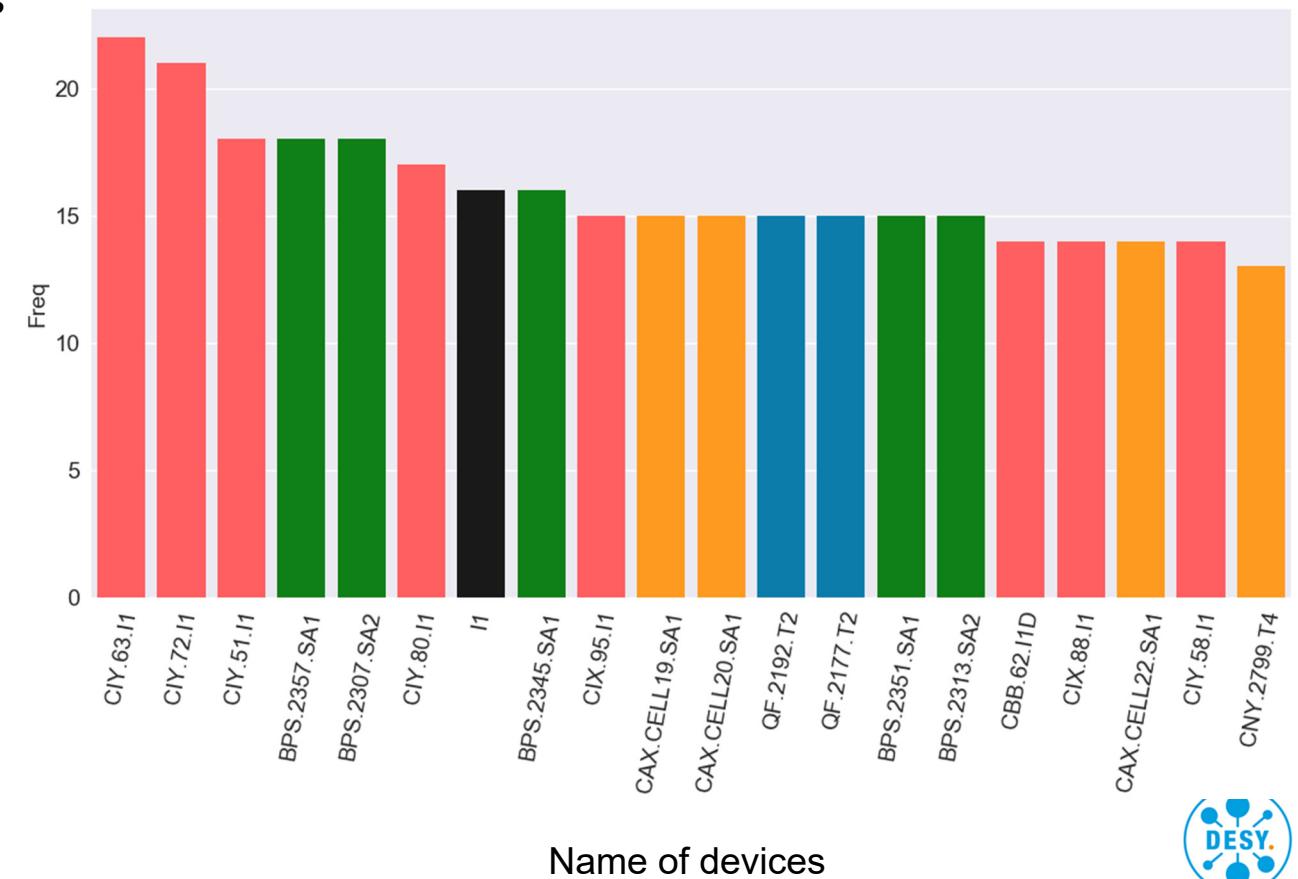
OCELOT Optimizer: FEL optimization. Identifying stricter constraints

- Chart of devices are used in “effective” optimization runs

- Injector orbit tuning
- Undulator phase shifters
- Orbit in undulator
- Injector energy chirp
- Undulator matching quads

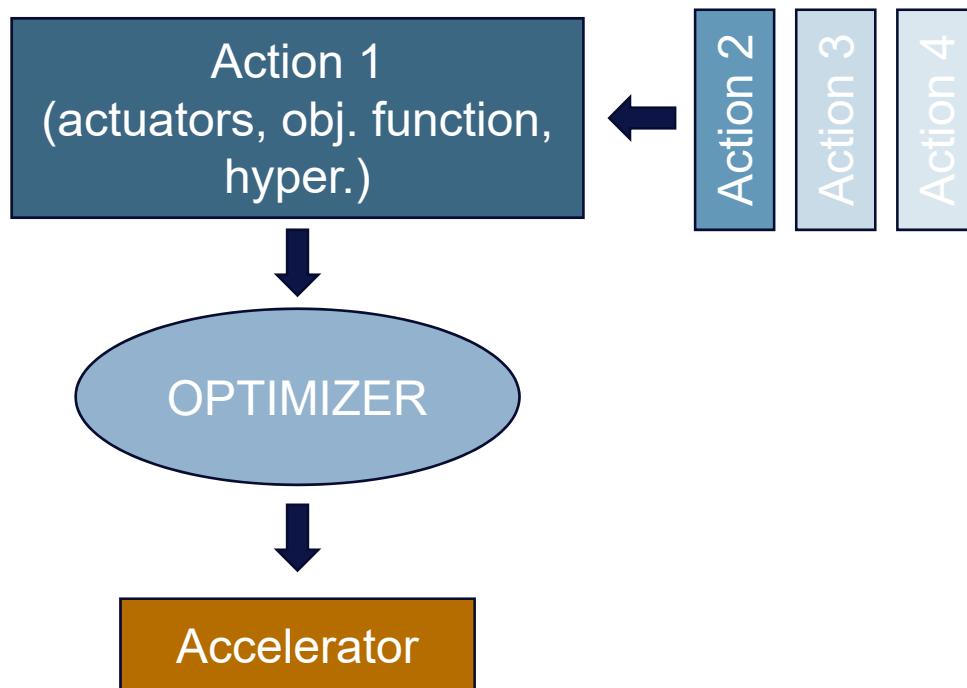
- In “effective” optimization runs were used **349** unique devices

- More automation. Sequence of optimizations

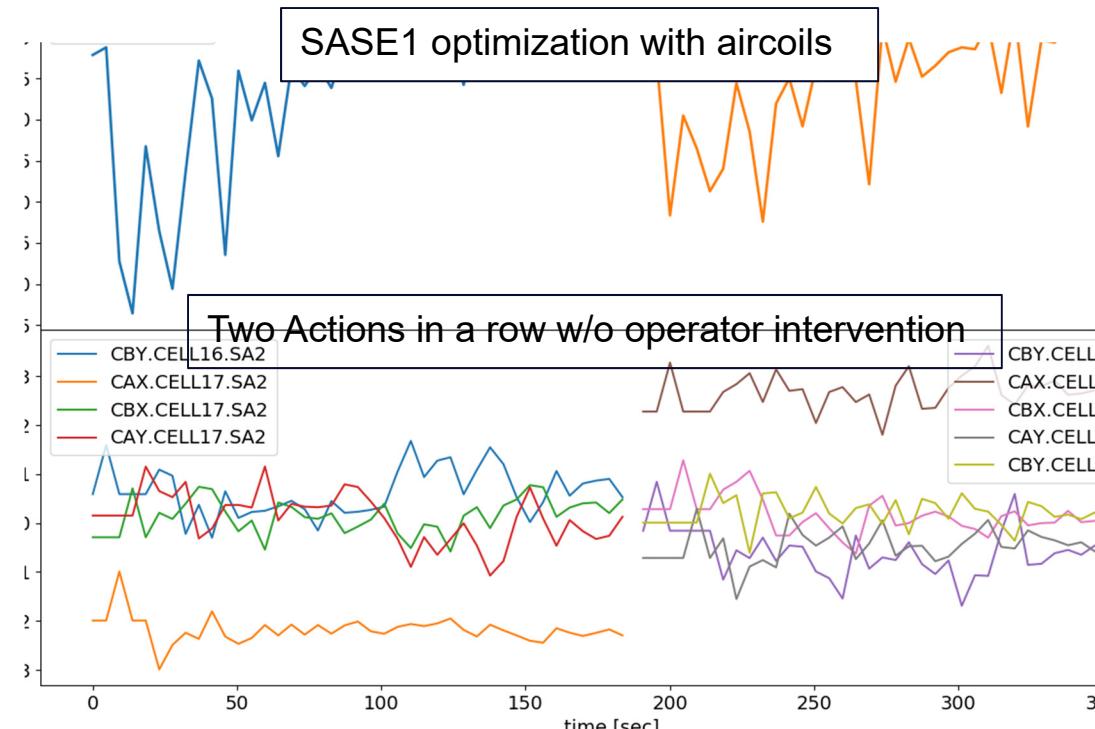


Sequence of optimizations: automatic optimization

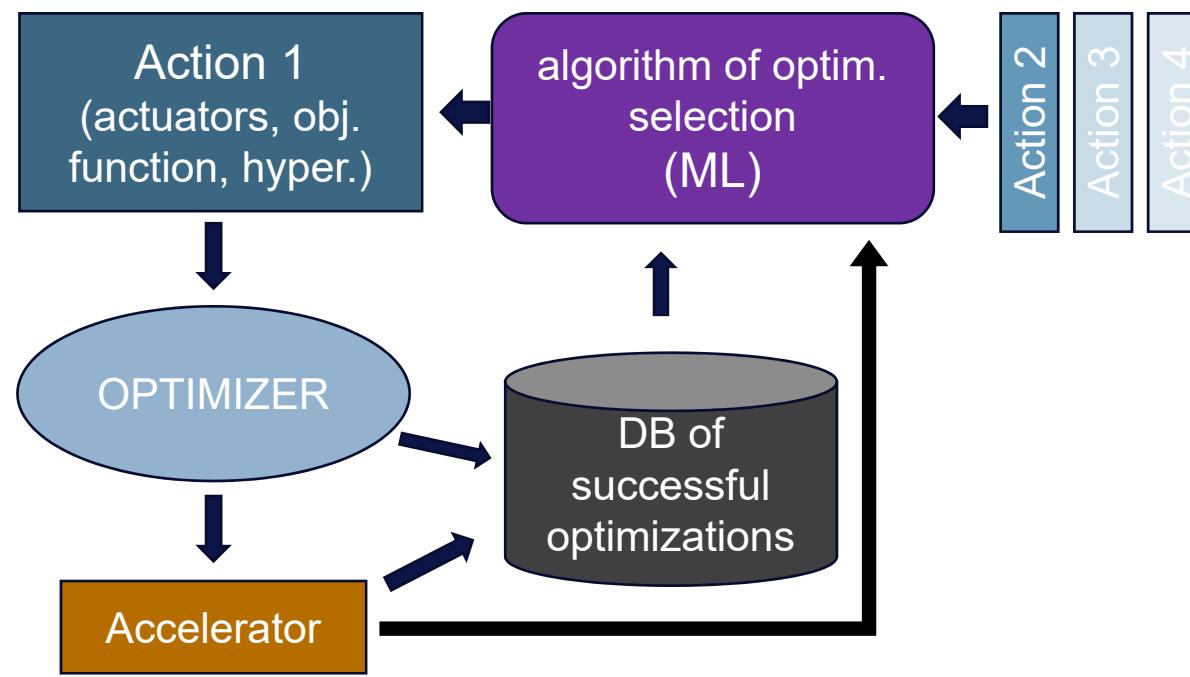
- Optimization with small number of actuators (4-6) is more efficient than with many due to noise and slow drifts



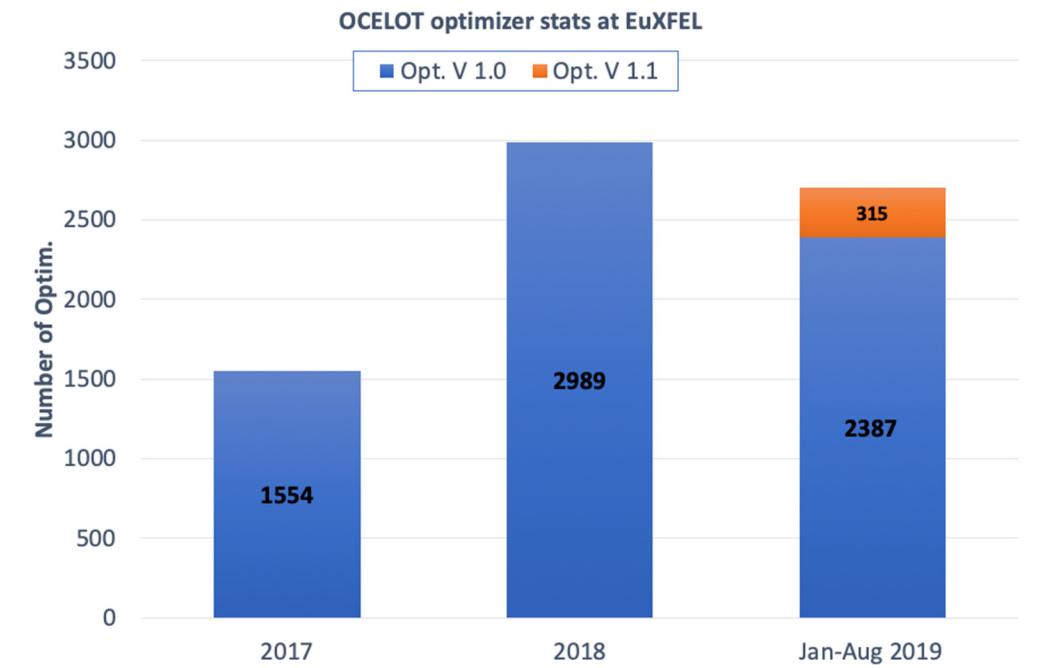
- New version (v1.1) was deployed
- Predefined sequence of optimization
 - without operator intervention
 - Optimizer monitors machine state – paused optimization if necessary.



Sequence of optimizations: even more automation with ML?

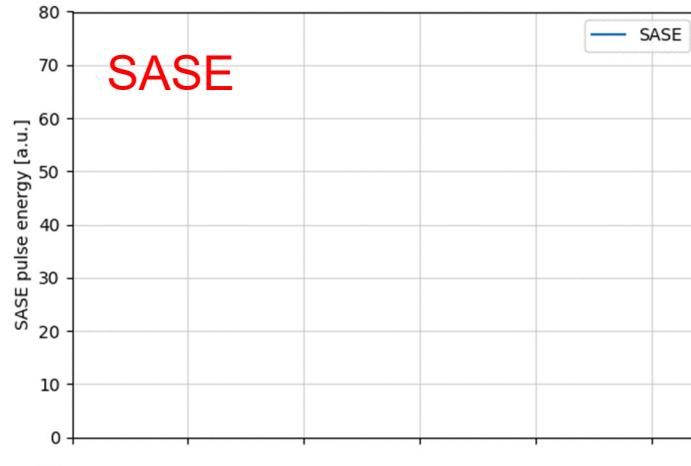


More logged DOOCS channels about machine state

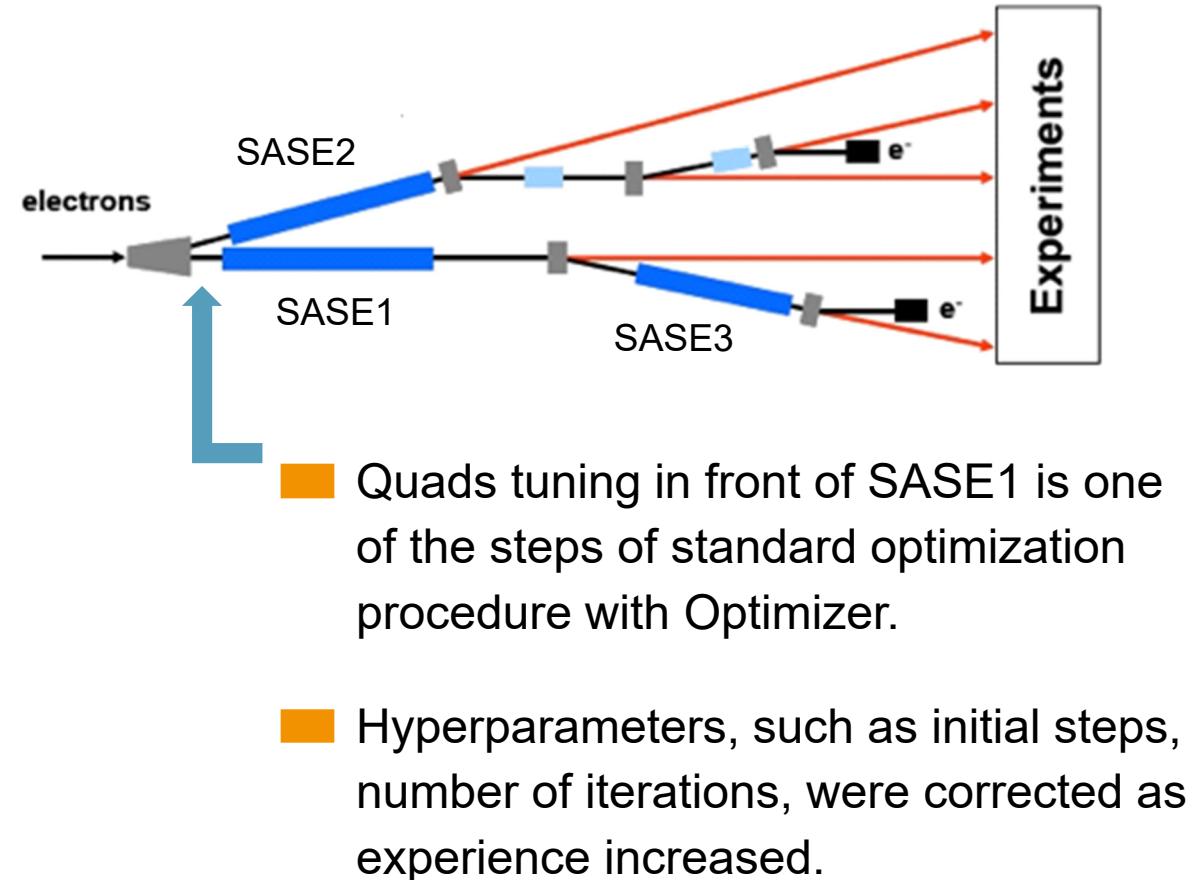
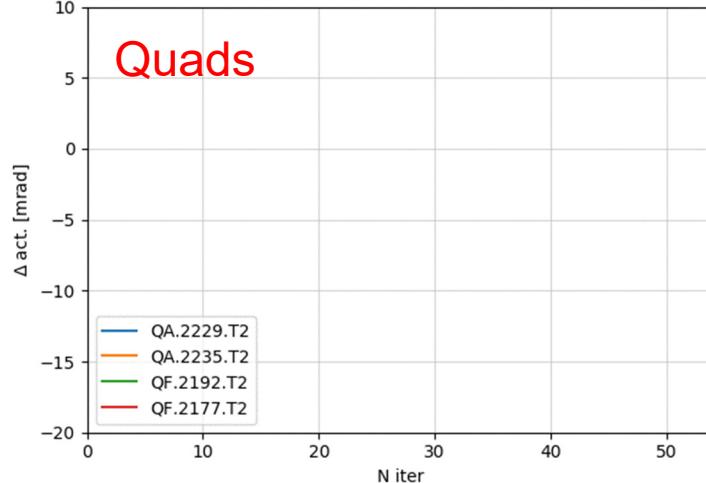


Hyperparameters. Beam matching

SASE optimization with 4 quads

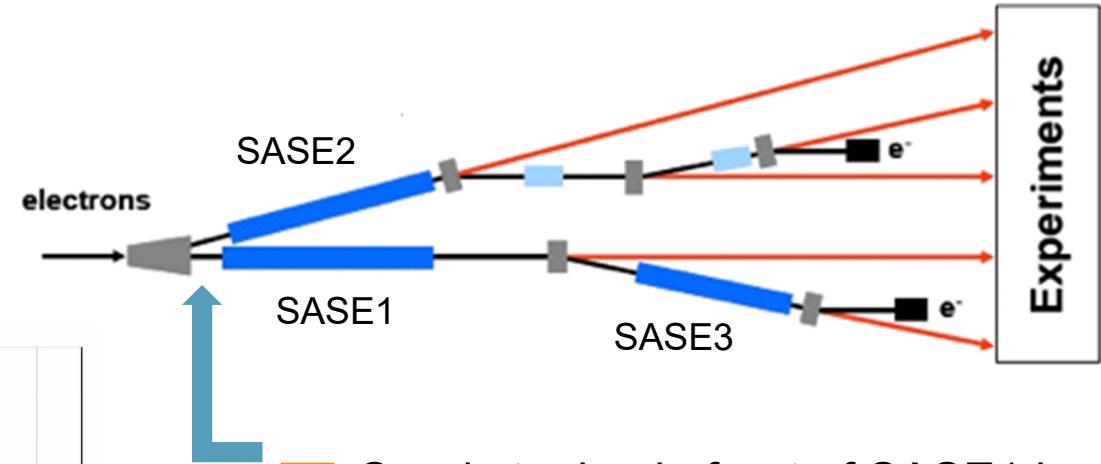
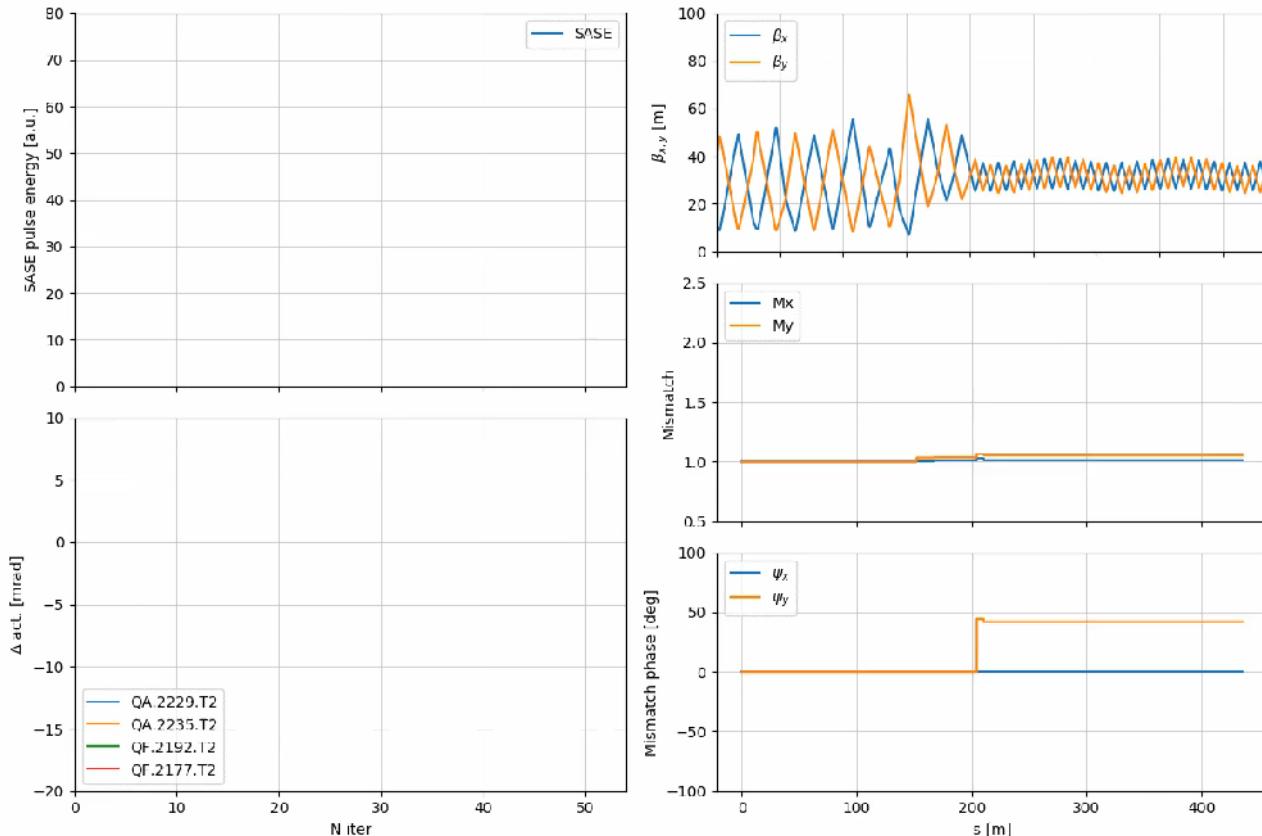


- Initial quad step
- Group of quads



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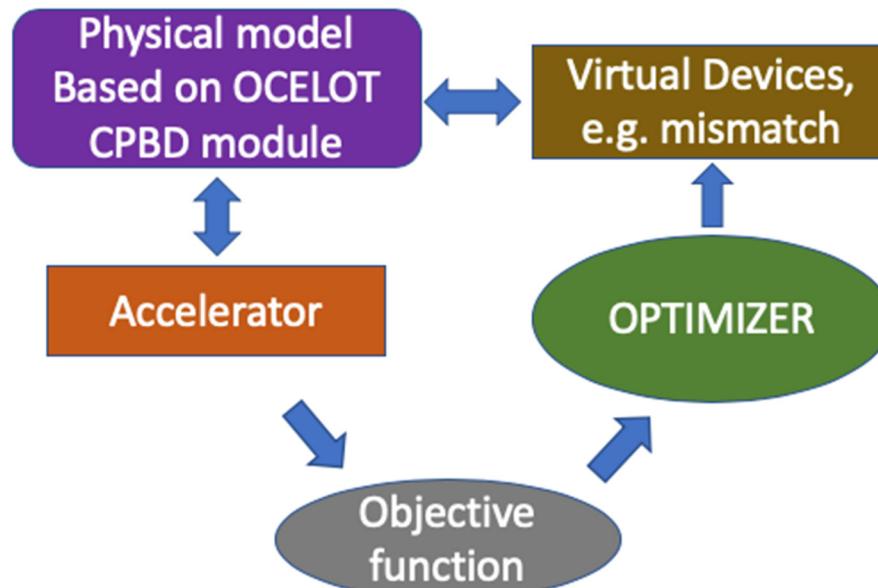
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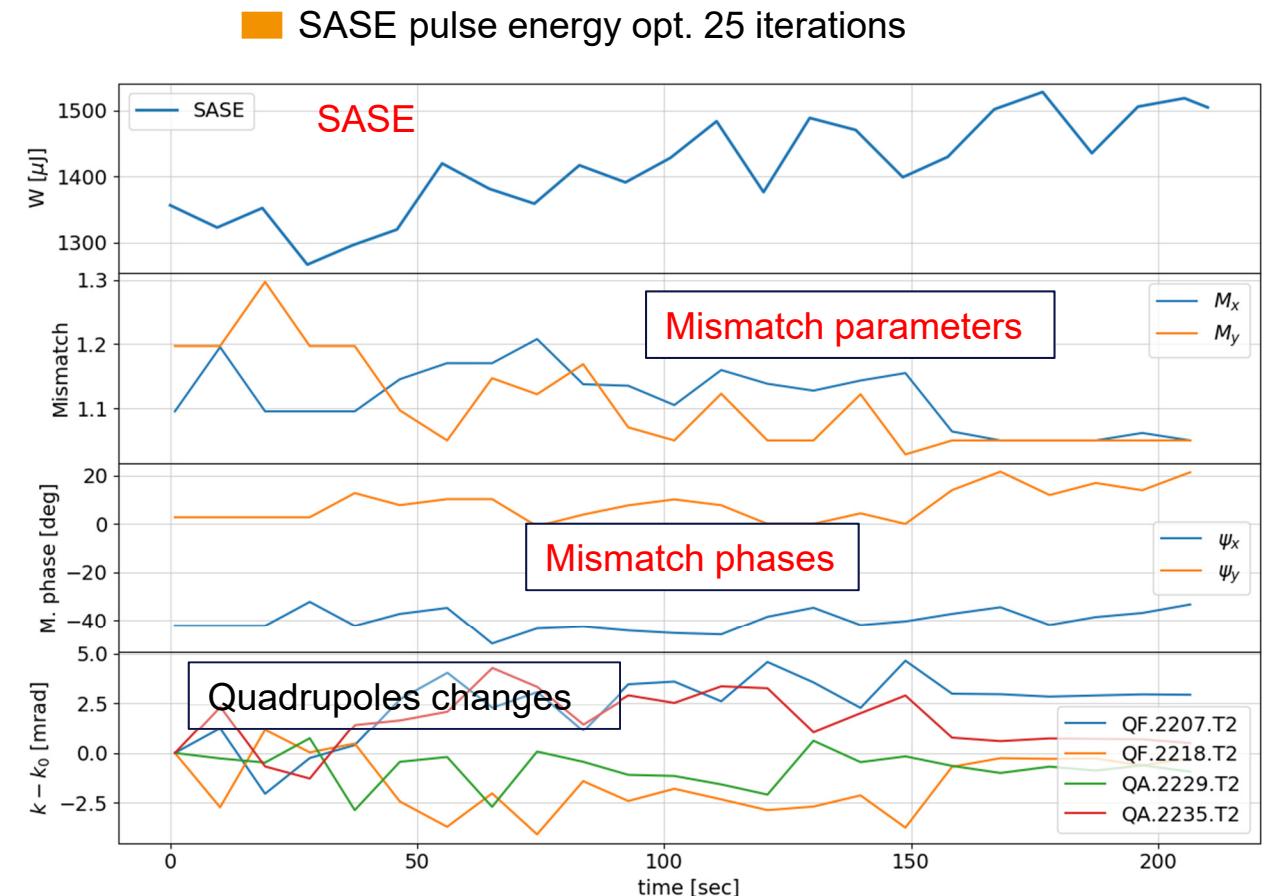
- Quads tuning in front of SASE1 is one of the steps of standard optimization procedure with Optimizer.

- Hyperparameters, such as initial steps, number of iterations, were corrected as experience increased.

Beta mismatch parameter* optimization



- OCELOT beam dynamics module is already used for orbit correction
- Bounds and hyperparameters are defined
- Only 4 actuators are used while number of quads can be more - **reduction of dimensionality** in some cases



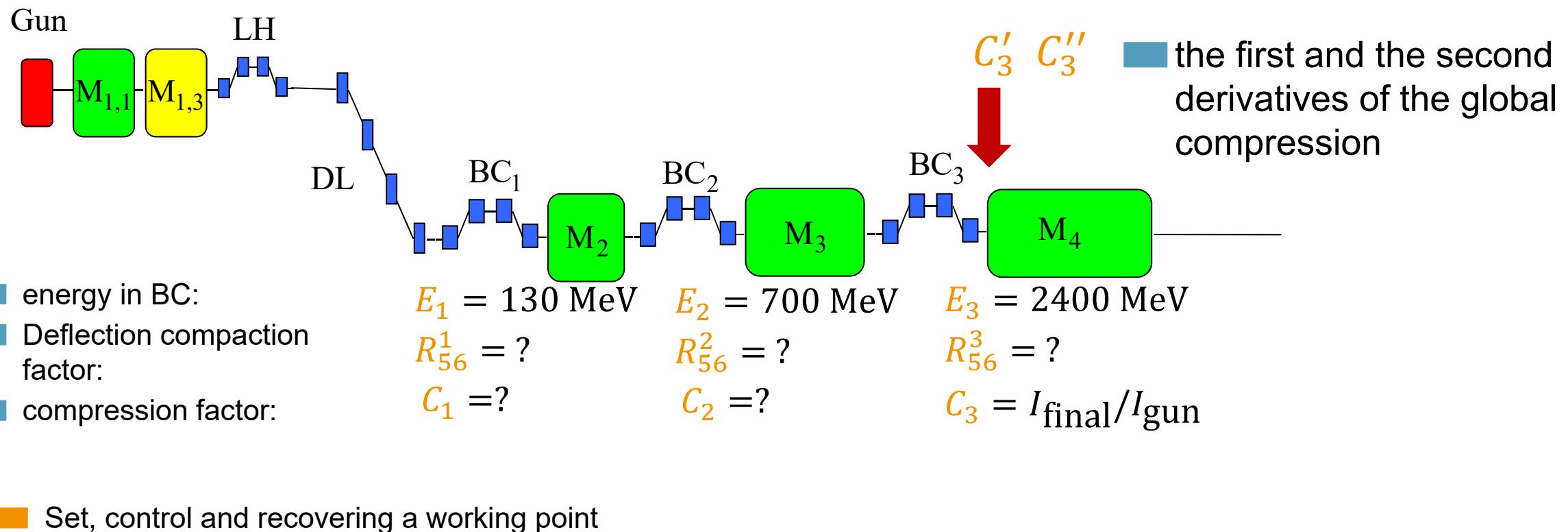
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Model-dependent optimizations

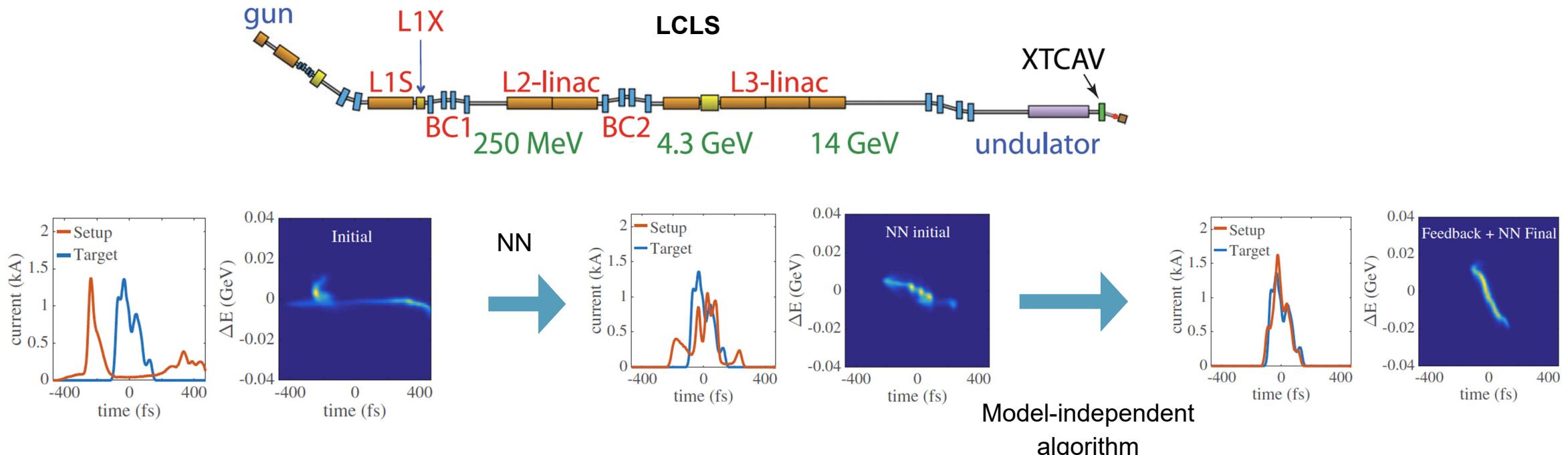
- Model-dependent optimizations use/construct a regression model which can predict result.
 - Mathematical/physical accelerator model
 - Model based on data analysis (statistic, ML)
- Compression scenarios optimization
- Adaptive orbit feedback

Bunch compression optimization

Working point (11 parameters of longitudinal beam dynamics)



Model-independent and ML methods for control of longitudinal beam dynamics



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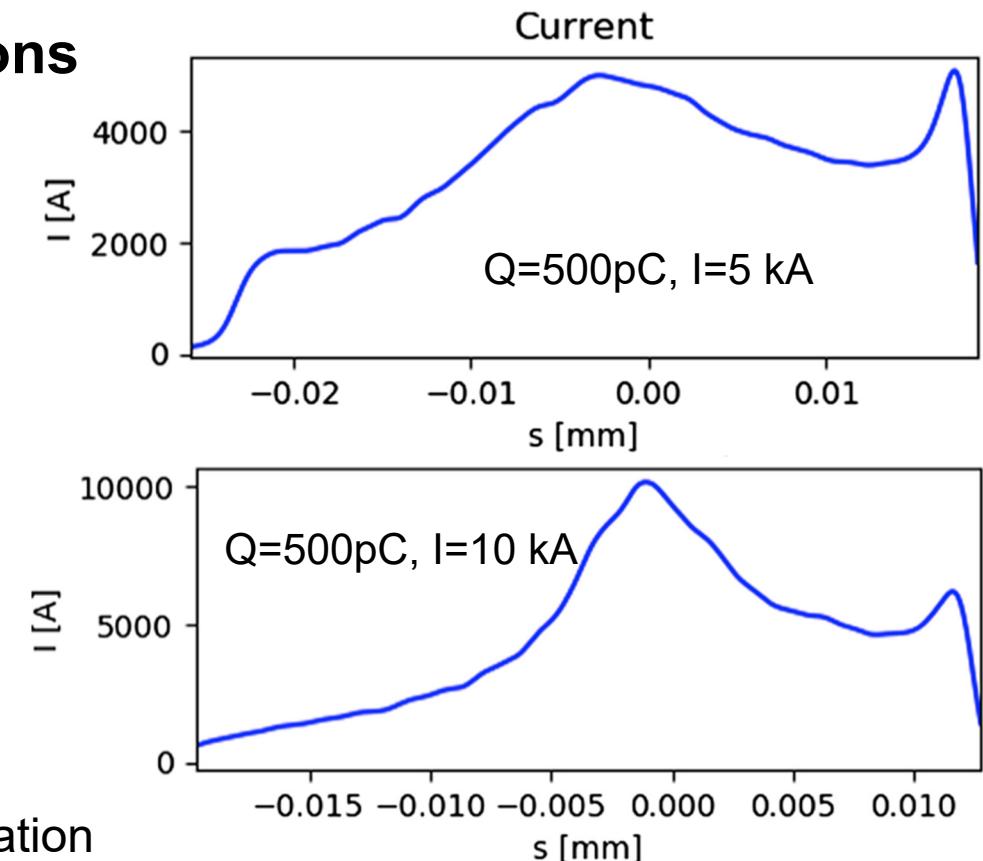
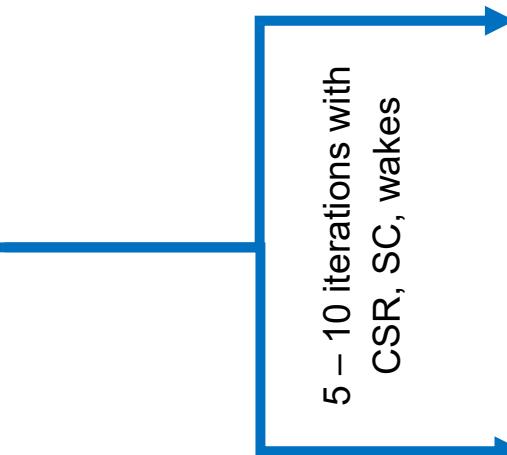
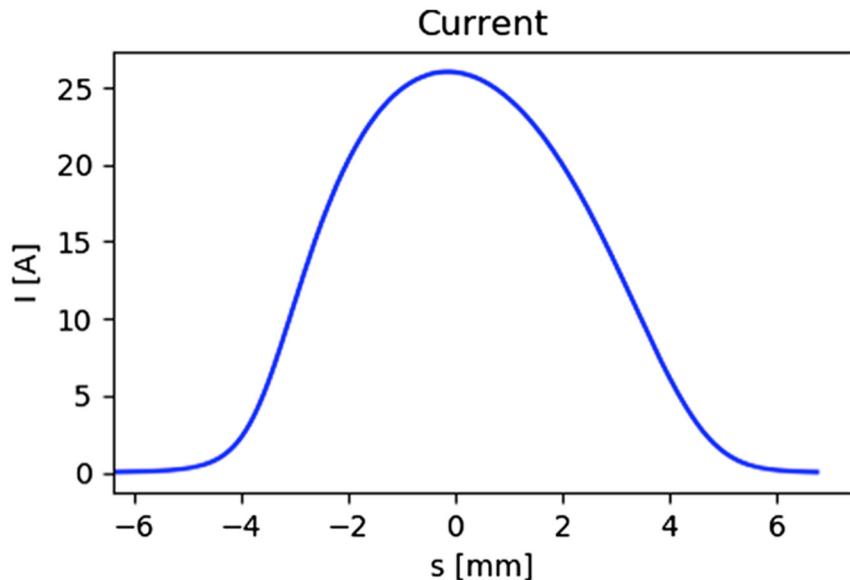
Demonstration of Model-Independent Control of the Longitudinal Phase Space of Electron Beams in the Linac-Coherent Light Source with Femtosecond Resolution

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Model-dependent compression tuning. Simulations



1. $f_{n-1} = A_x(x_{n-1})$
2. $\Delta f_{n-1} = f_0 - f_{n-1}$
3. $g_n = g_{n-1} + \Delta f_{n-1},$
4. $x_n = A_0^{-1}(g_n)$



$f = A_x(x)$ non-linear transformation
of the RF parameters (x) to compression parameters (f)

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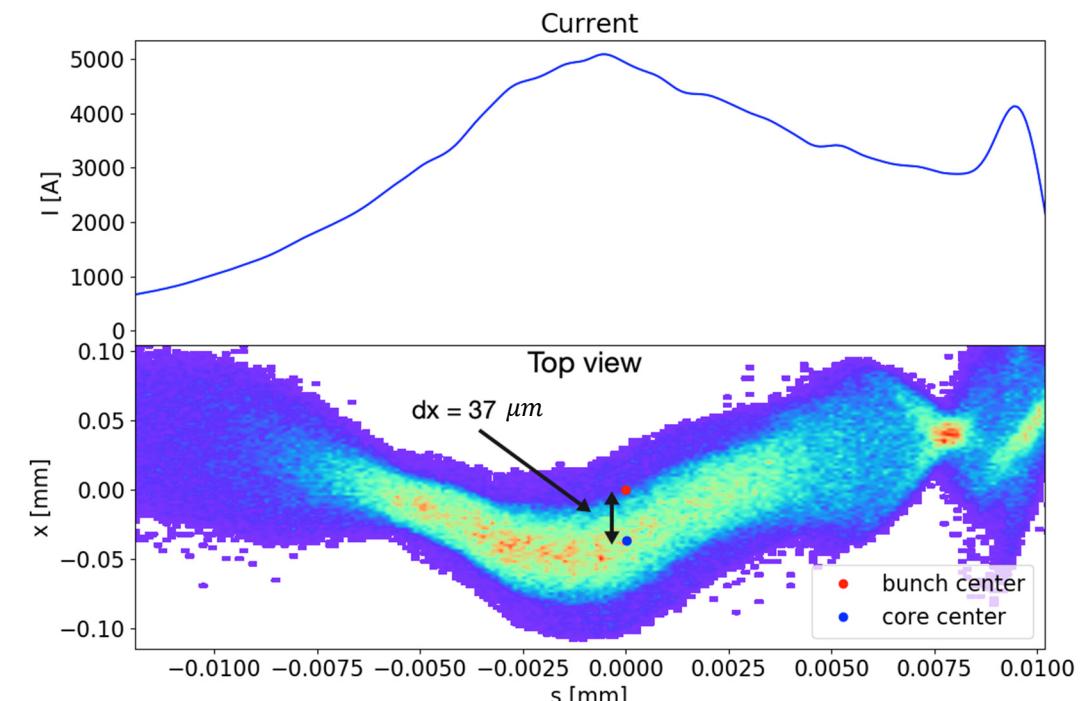
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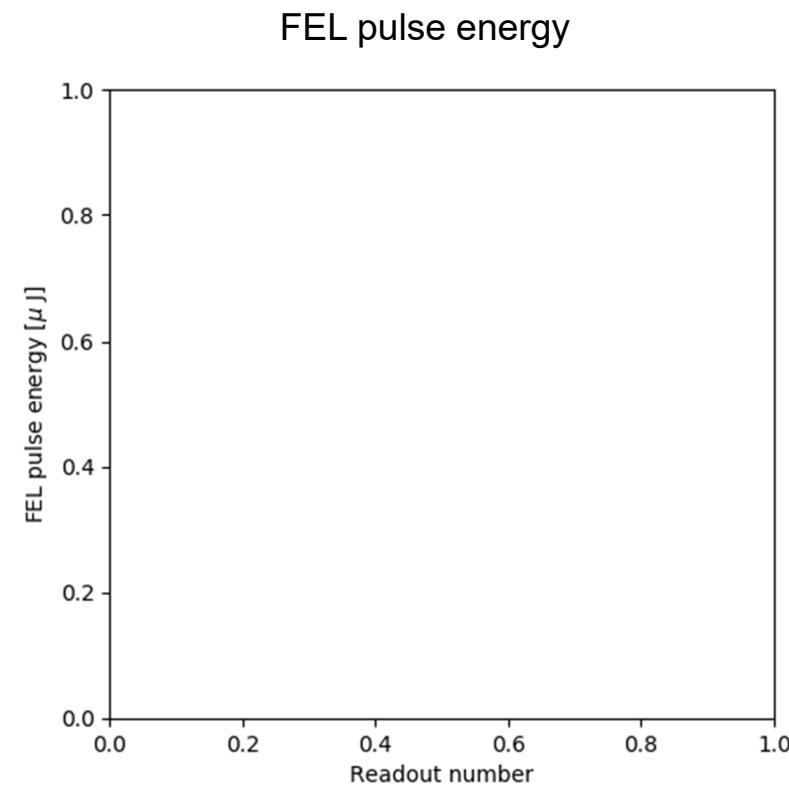
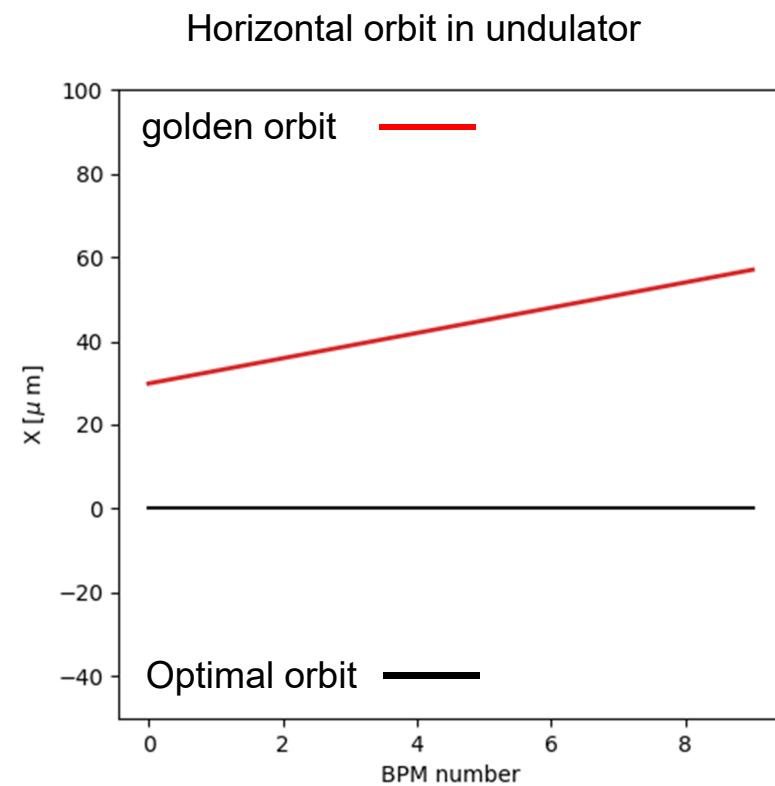
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- Correcting the orbit to zero BPM positions does not always mean a straight line for lasing slice

Current and top view of the electron beam (250 pC, 17.5 GeV) in front of SASE2 undulator. Simulation result

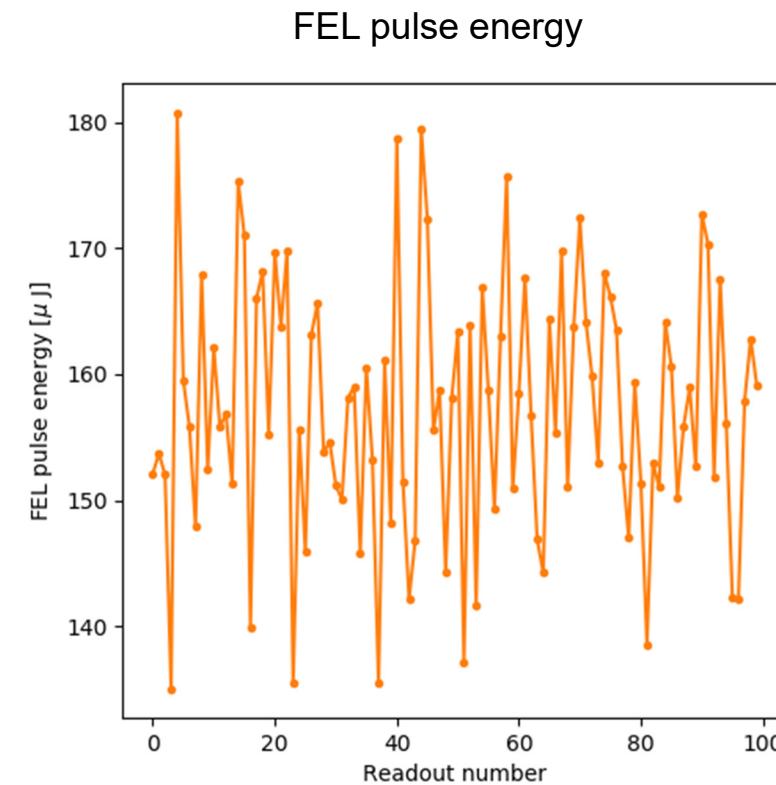
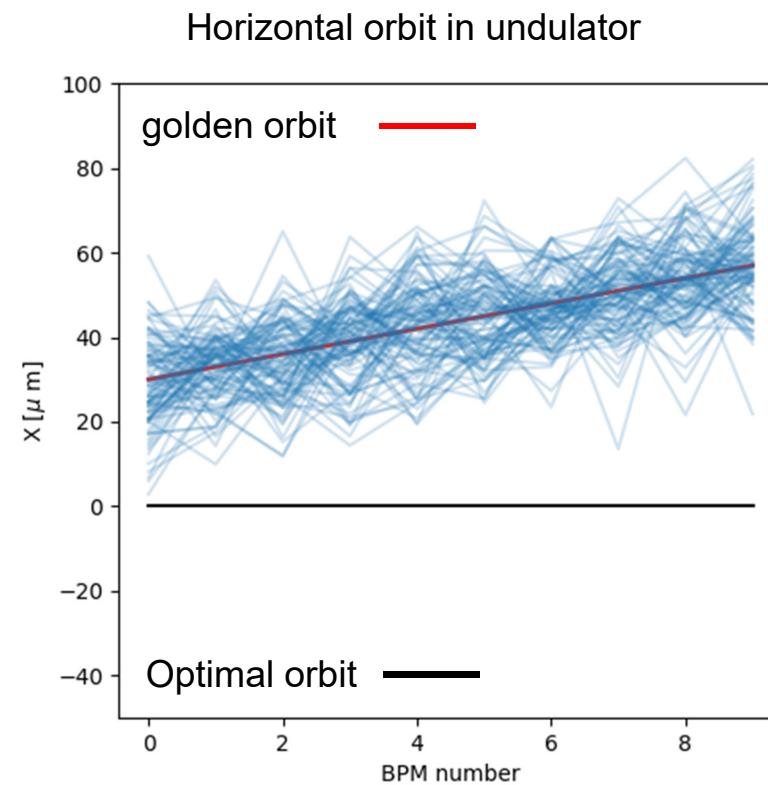


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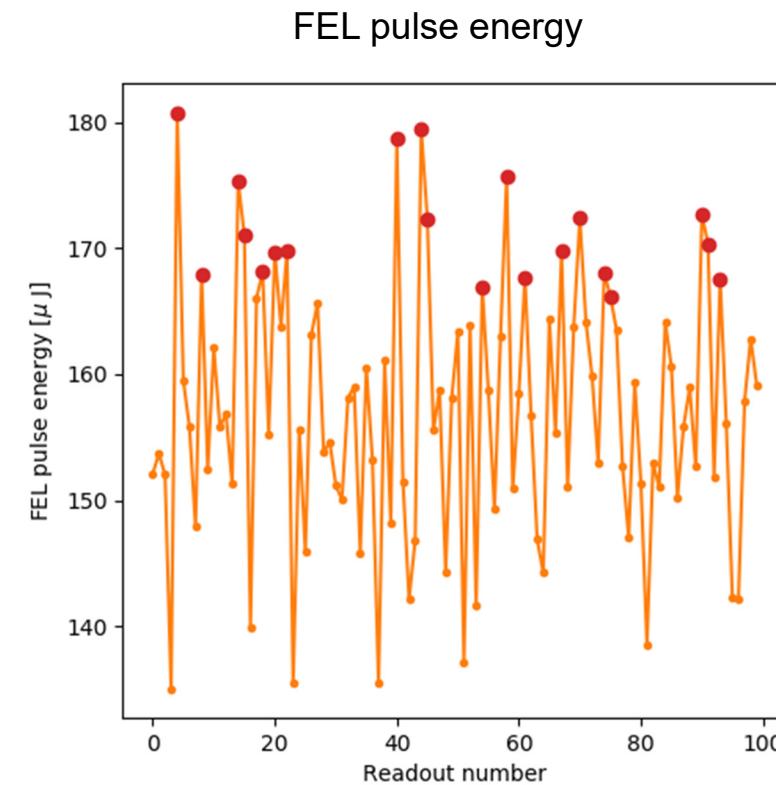
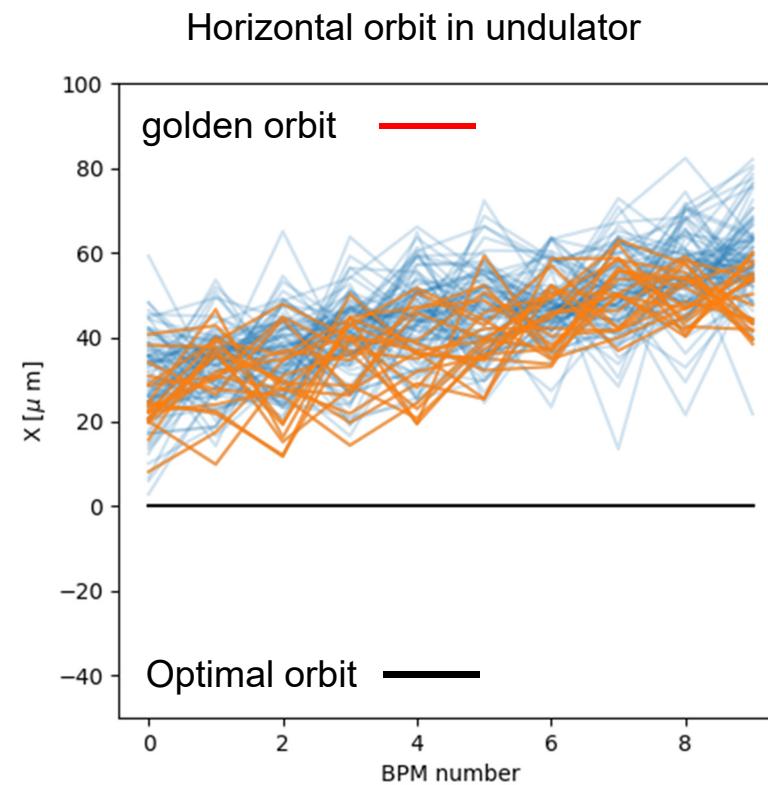
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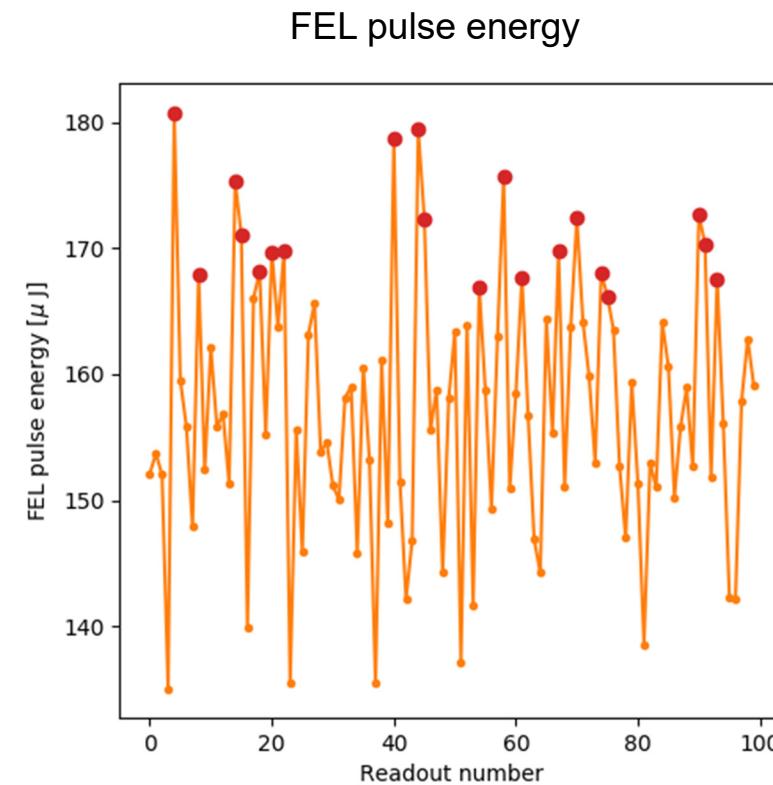
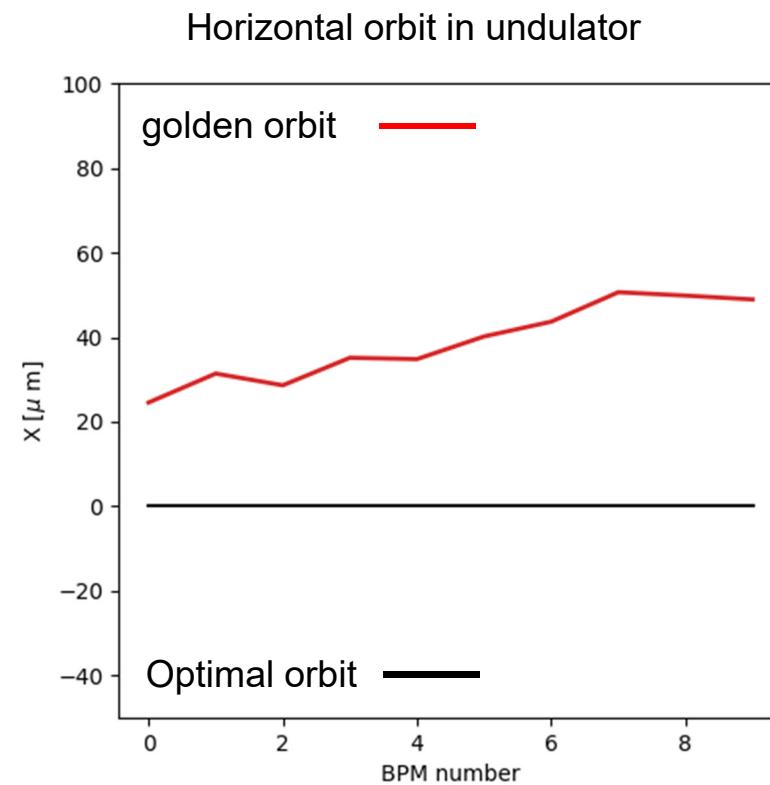
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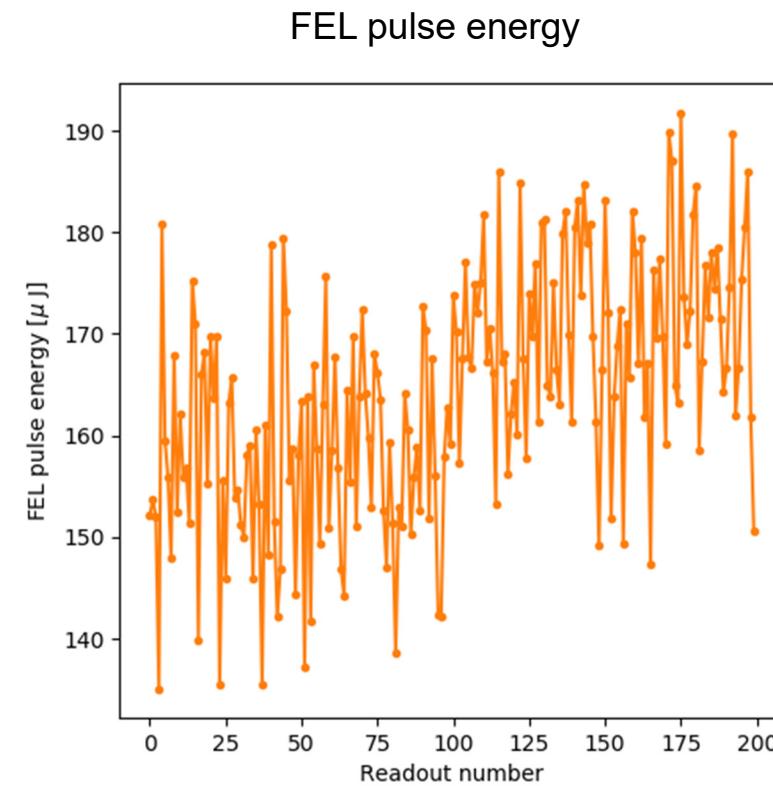
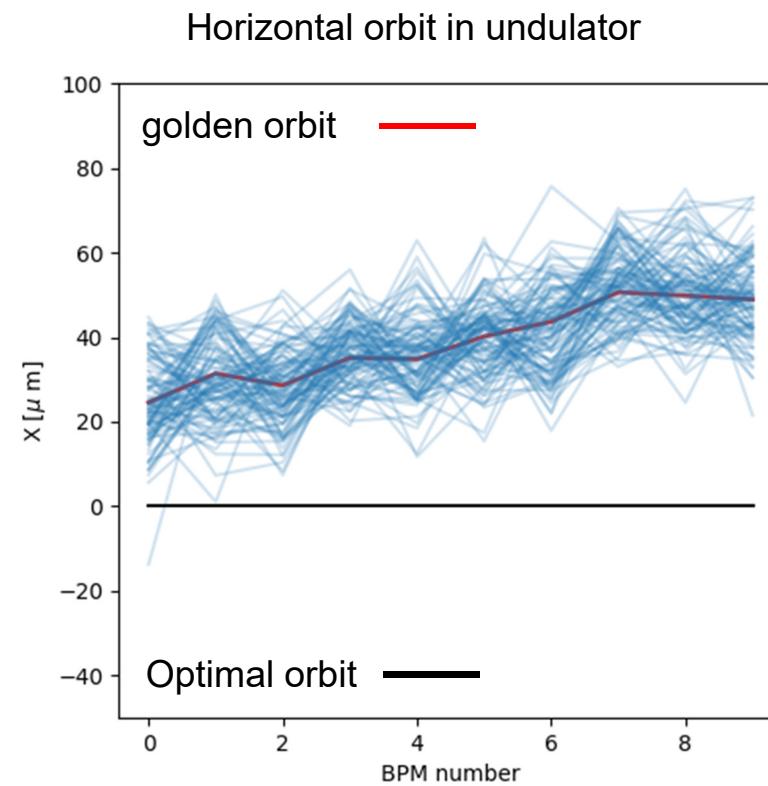
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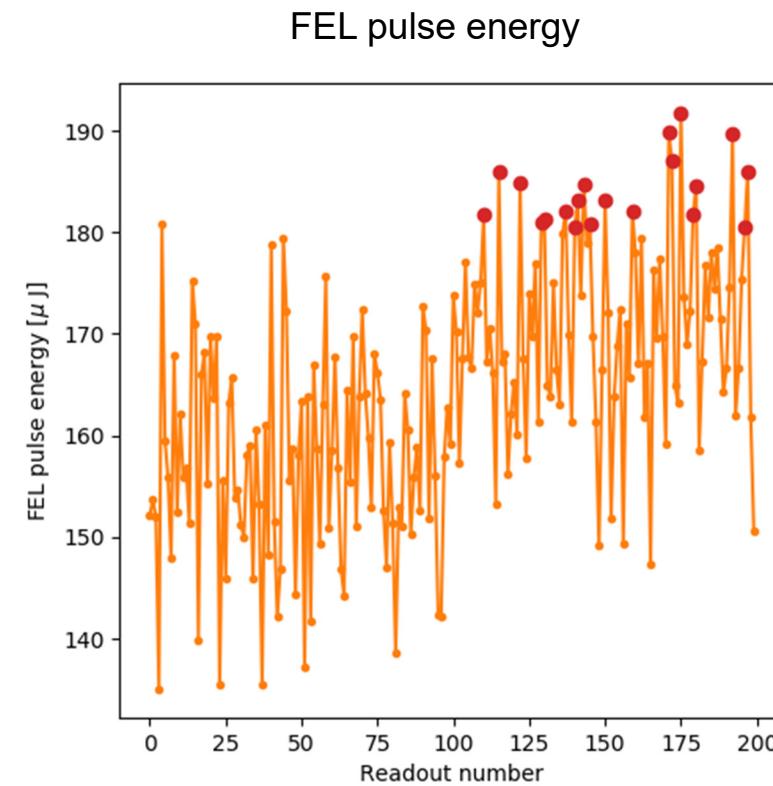
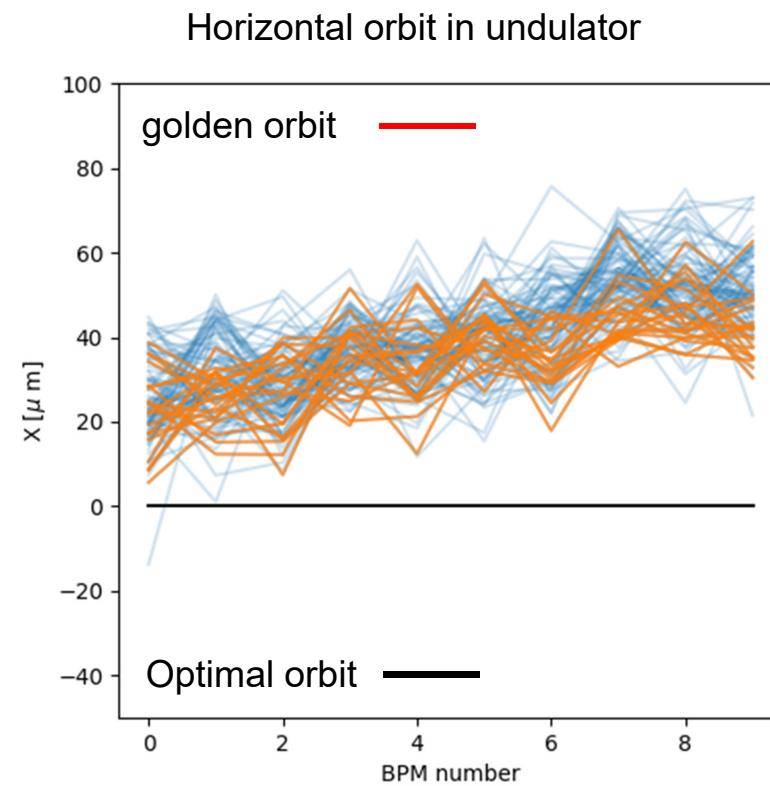
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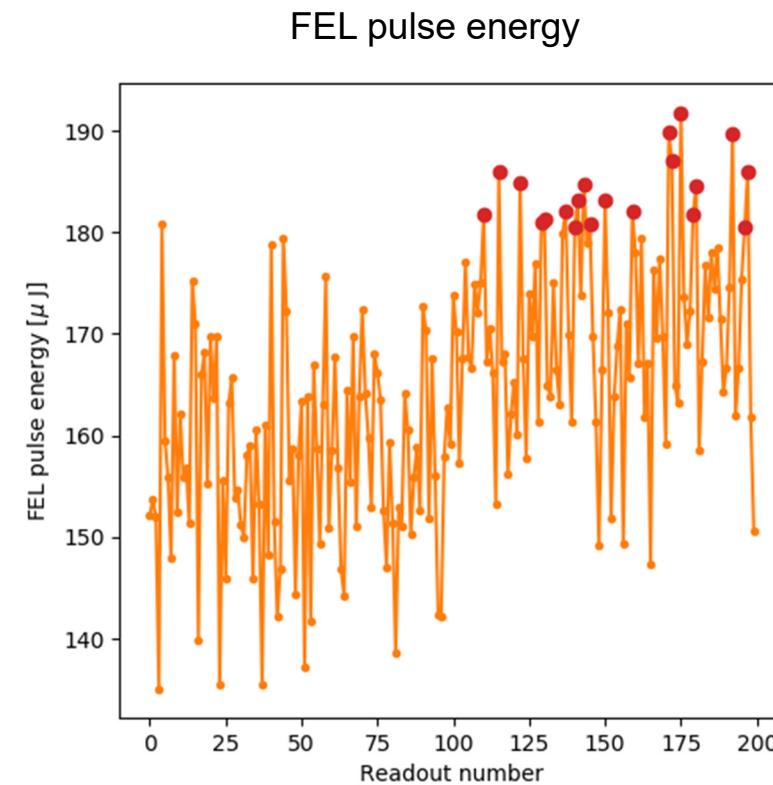
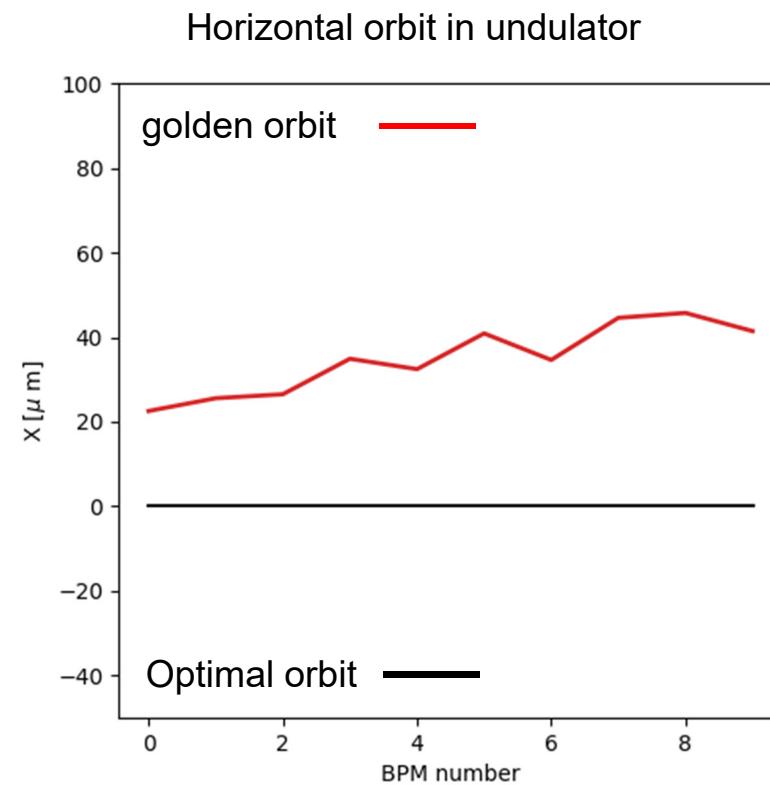
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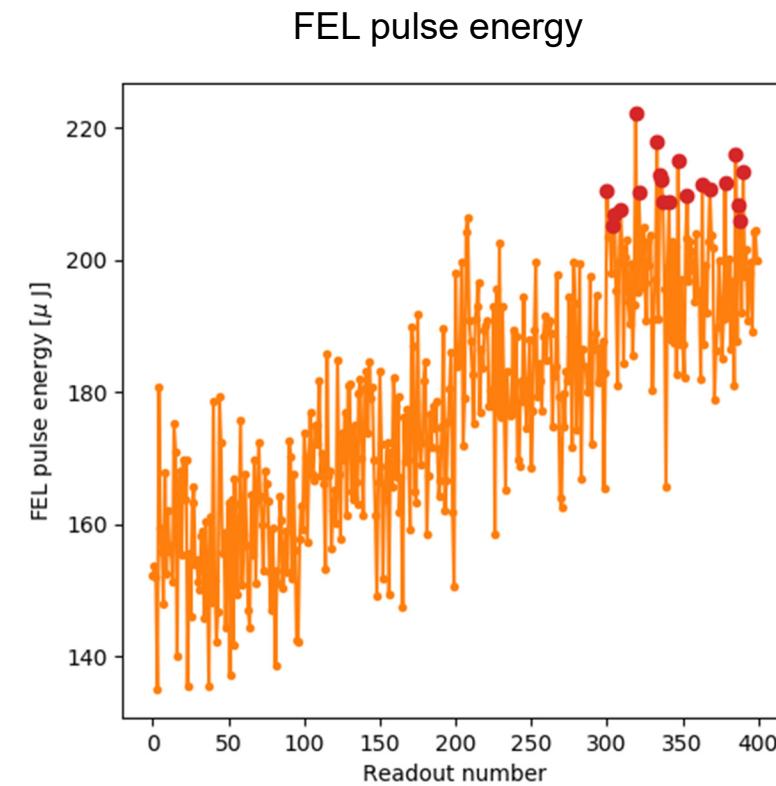
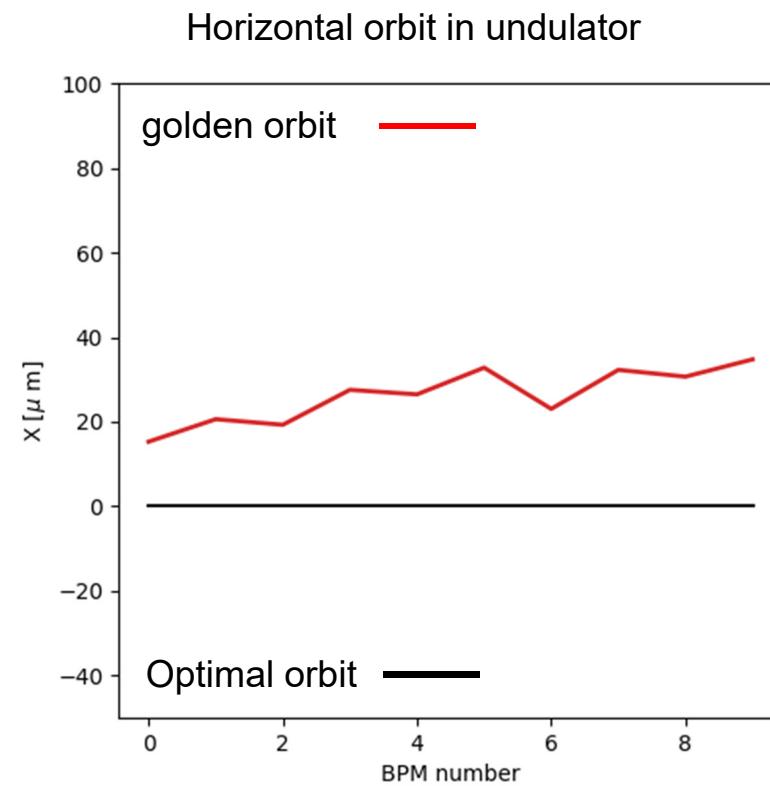
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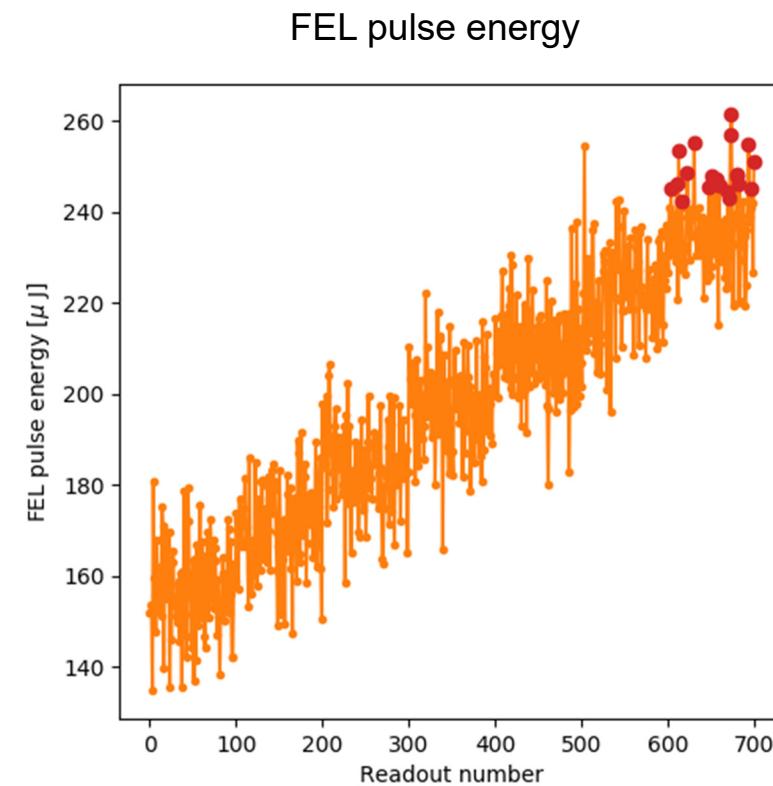
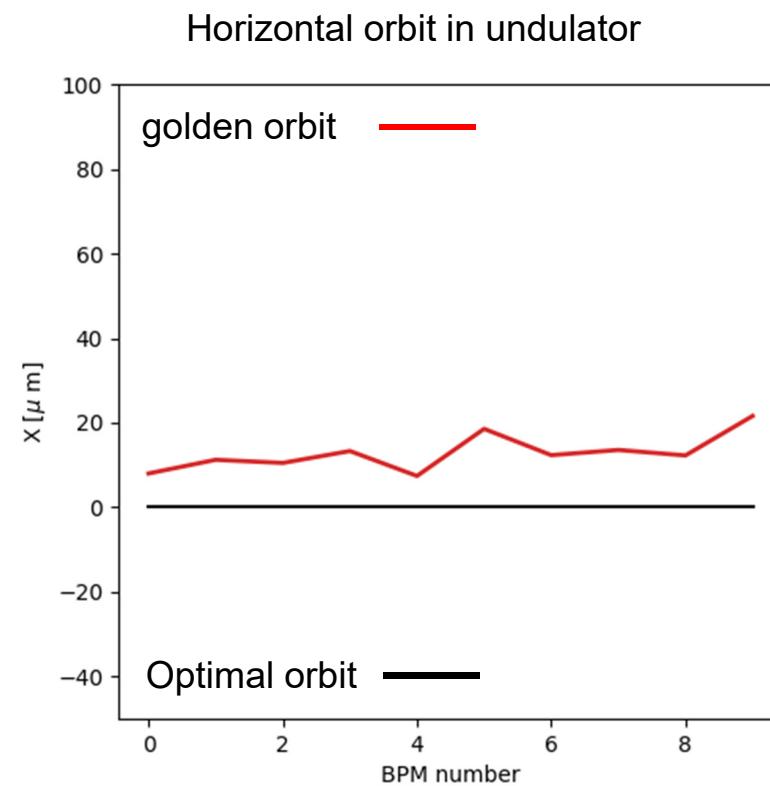
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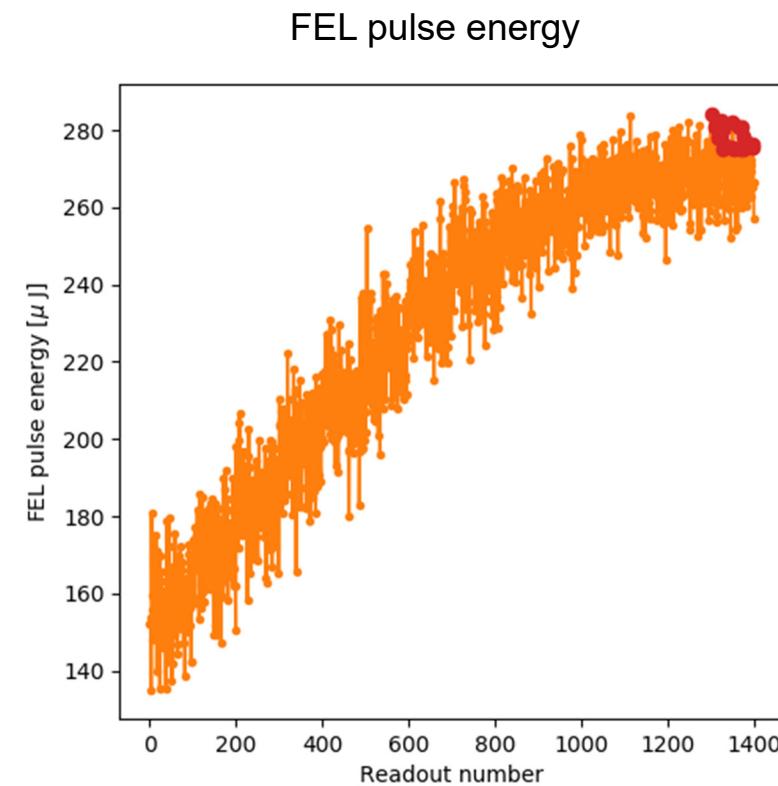
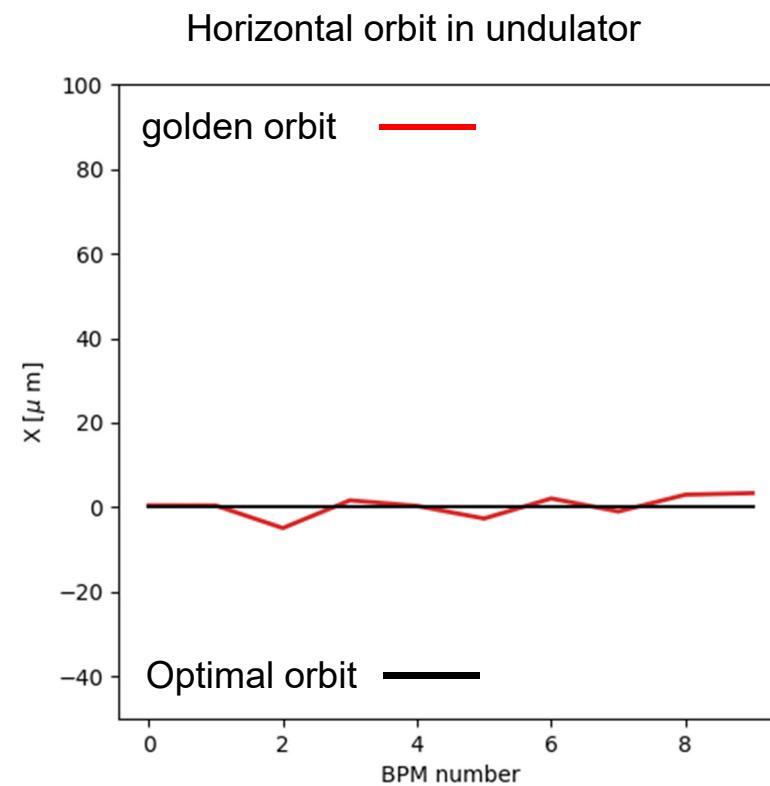
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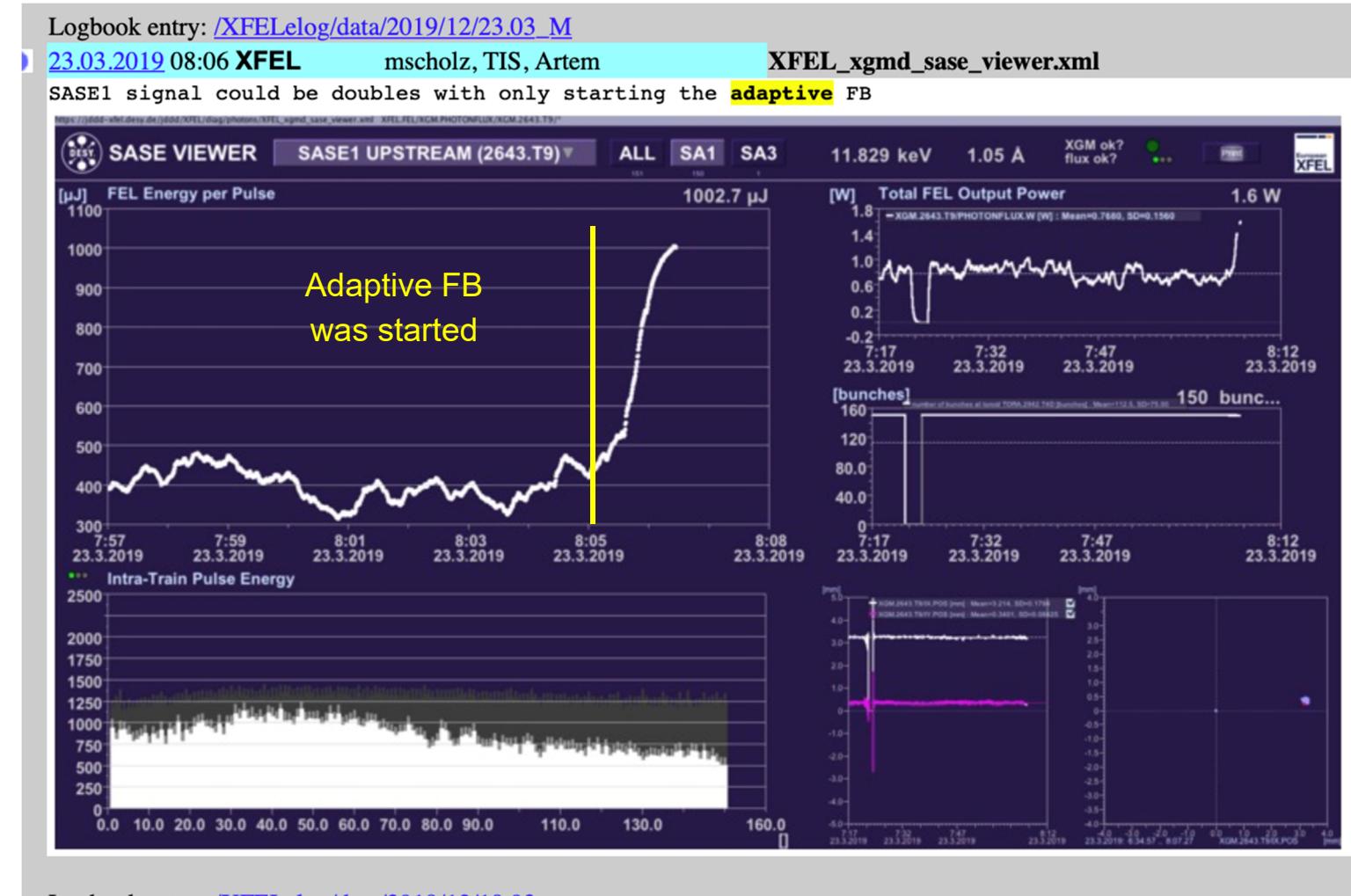
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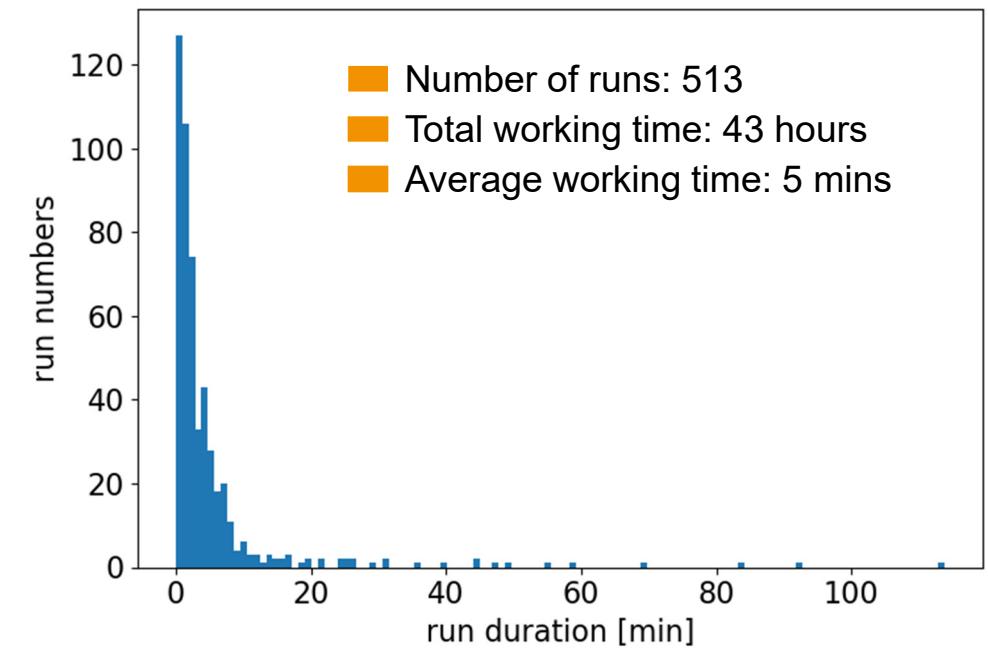
Adaptive Feedback



Adaptive Feedback statistics

- Adaptive Feedback has become one of the main tools for SASE tuning
- In some cases the adaptive feedback is used as an orbit feedback
- The soft X-Ray FEL pulse energy signal is not sensitive to the orbit jitter in the SASE3 undulator.
 - artificially induced orbit changes have to be used to catch correlations
- Active search?

Statistic of the Adaptive Feedback runs from March 11 to April 7, 2019



Conclusion & outlook

- Model-free optimization methods were widely used during commissioning of the European XFEL and now it is a part of the daily European XFEL operation
- We can apply more automation such as a sequence of optimization without operator intervention. In the future, ML methods will be used to define the sequence
- Accelerator physical model can be used to define hyperparameters.
- Model based iterative method is used in simulations and can be applied to the accelerator to optimize the bunch compression
- A model-based method such as the Adaptive orbit feedback proves extremely useful and more advantageous compared to purely empirical methods.

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...and thank you for your attention!