



# KAPTURE-2 – A picosecond sampling system for individual THz pulses with high repetition rate

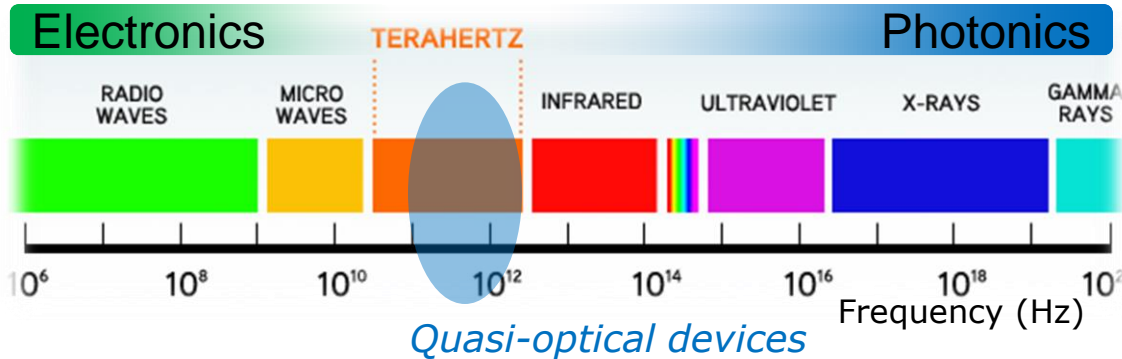
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# Terahertz – “new science”



The Terahertz region (200 GHz to 10 THz) lies between microwaves and the far infrared.

Range from 100 GHz -> 4 THz → *future application/devices.*

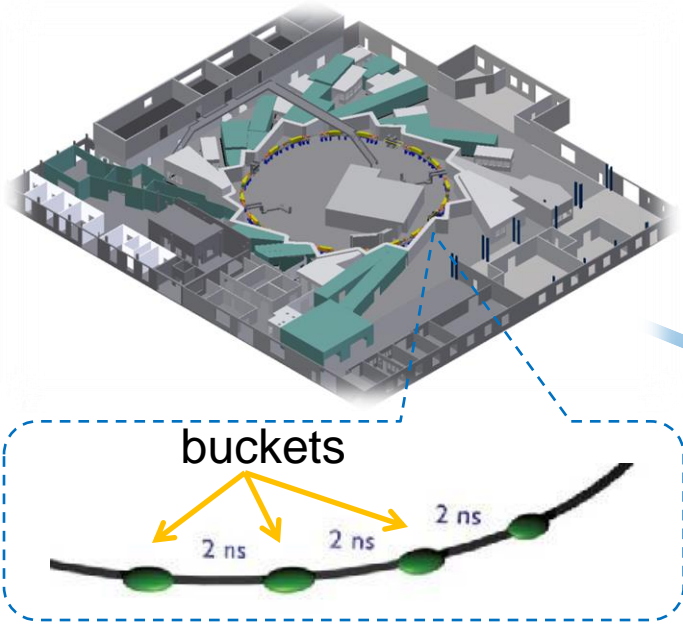
## Outlook

- Coherent terahertz radiation source @ ANKA
- Terahertz sensor technology
- Readout electronics and picosecond pulse sampling “KAPTURE”
- Results and future work..
- Conclusions

# Terahertz Coherent Synchrotron Radiation at ANKA



**ANKA** is the Synchrotron Radiation Facility at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)

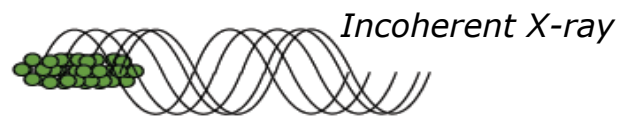


- ❖ RF-system: **500 MHz** (bunch spacing 2 ns)
- ❖ Harmonic number: **184**
- ❖ Bunch length (low alpha) : **few ps**

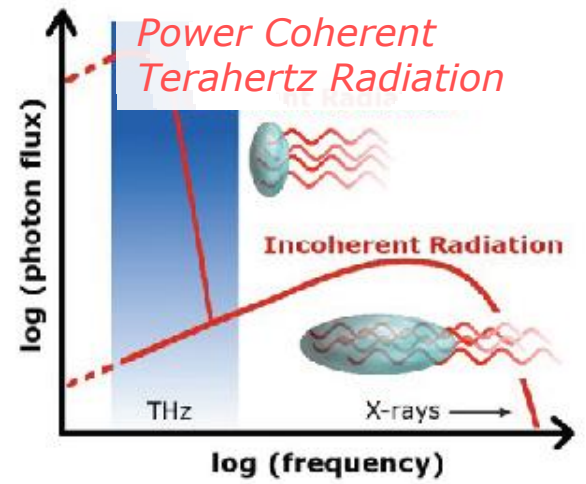


Two operation modes:

➤ **Normal mode**



➤ **Low alpha mode (compact mode)**



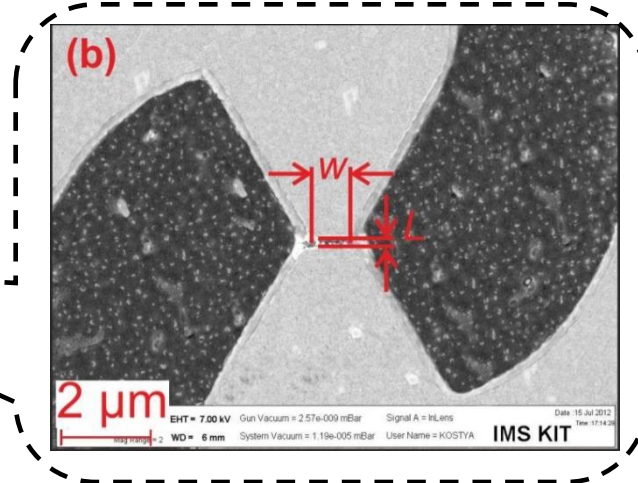
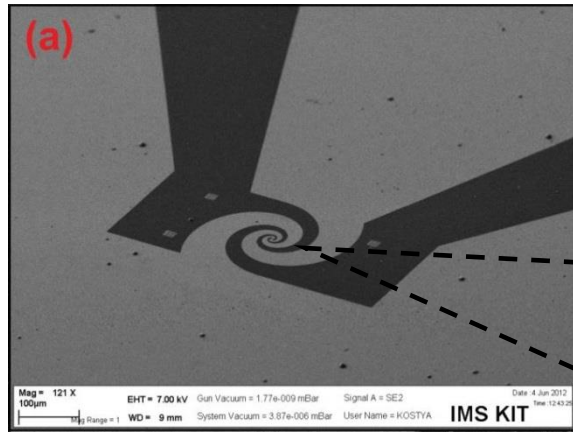
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# Ultra-fast YBCO THz detectors

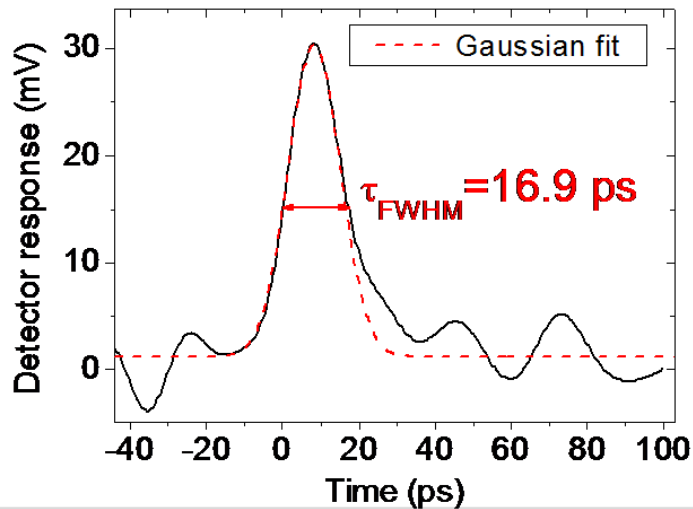
Multi-channel thin Yttrium Barium Copper Oxide (YBCO) superconductor film liquid-nitrogen-cooled detectors. Produced @ IMS-KIT



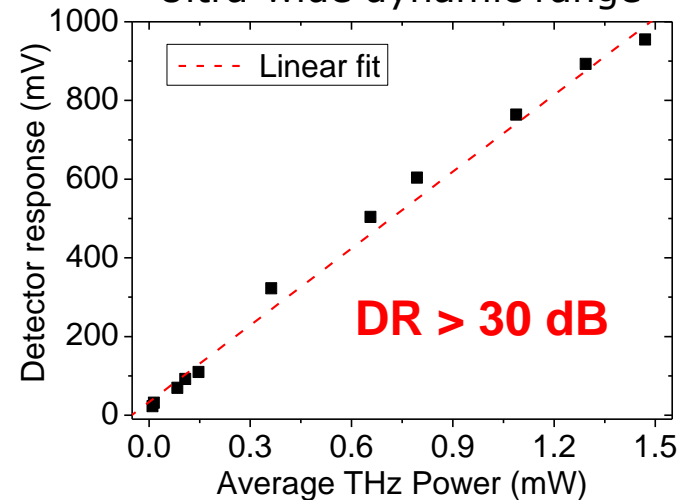
Detector packaging

P. Thoma et al., *Applied Physics Letters*, 101, 142601, 2012  
P. Probst et al., *Physical Review B*, 85, 174511, 2012

## Picosecond time resolution



## Ultra-wide dynamic range





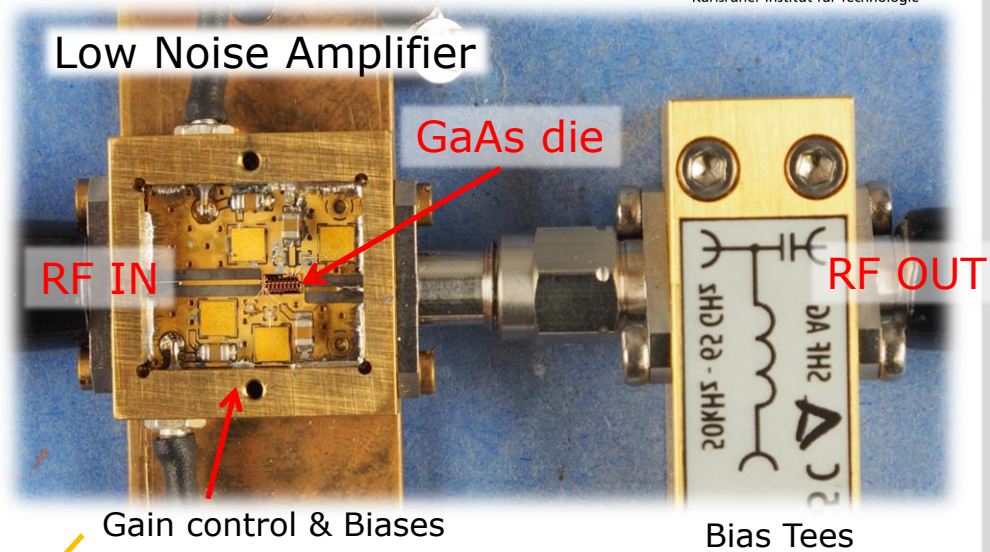
# Front-end – Low Noise Amplifier

## Detector:

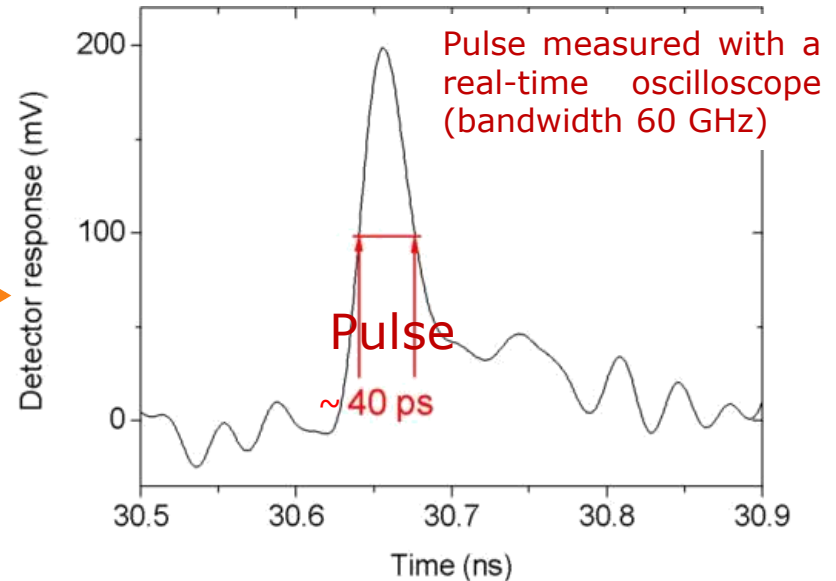
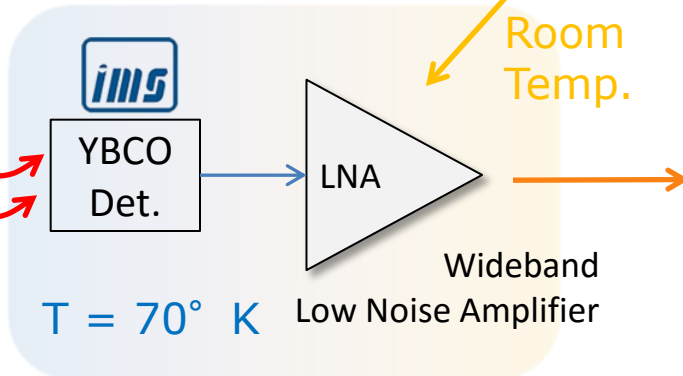
- Output impedance 50  $\Omega$
- Picosecond time accuracy
- Connection by wideband RF cable

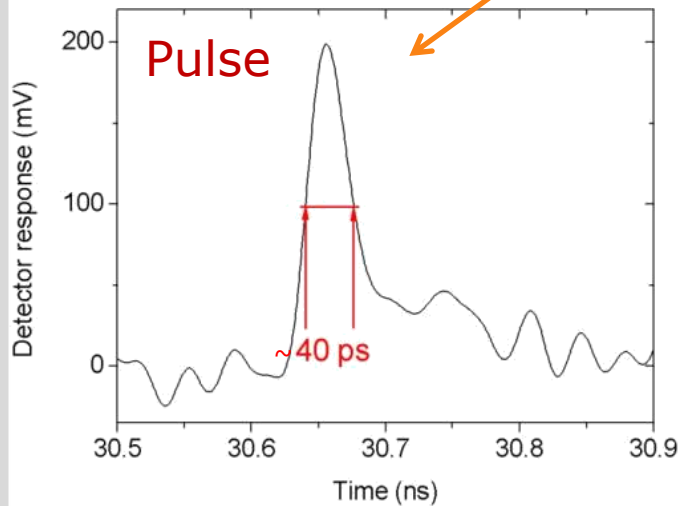
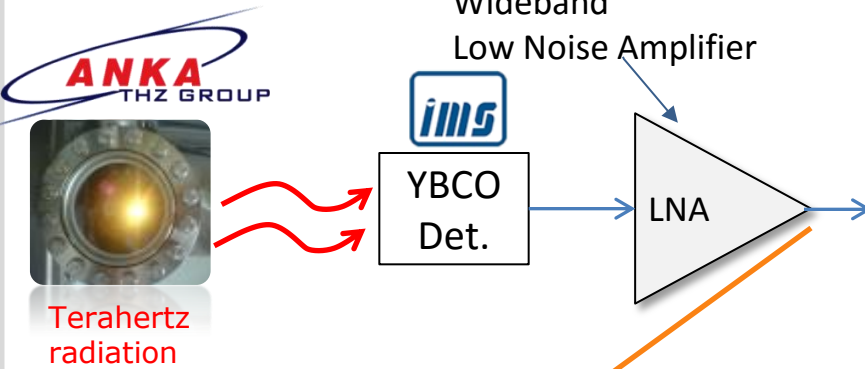
## Front-end:

- Low Noise Amplifier (DC-50 GHz) based on GaAs HEMT device
- Limited number of channels
- Higher repetition rate hundreds MHz/ GHz



Terahertz radiation



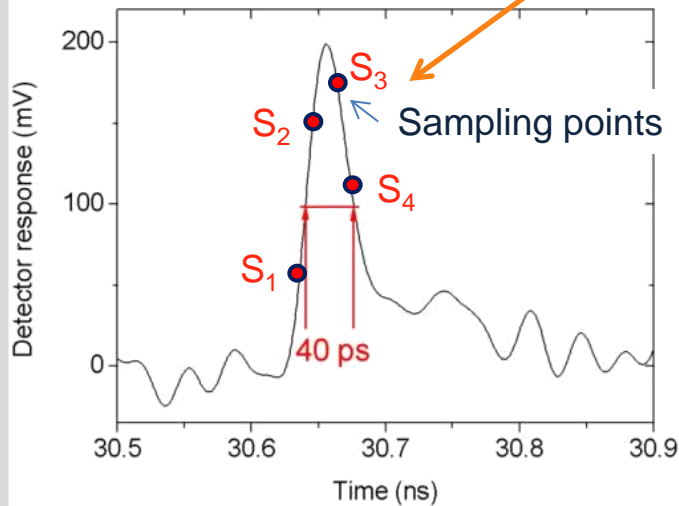
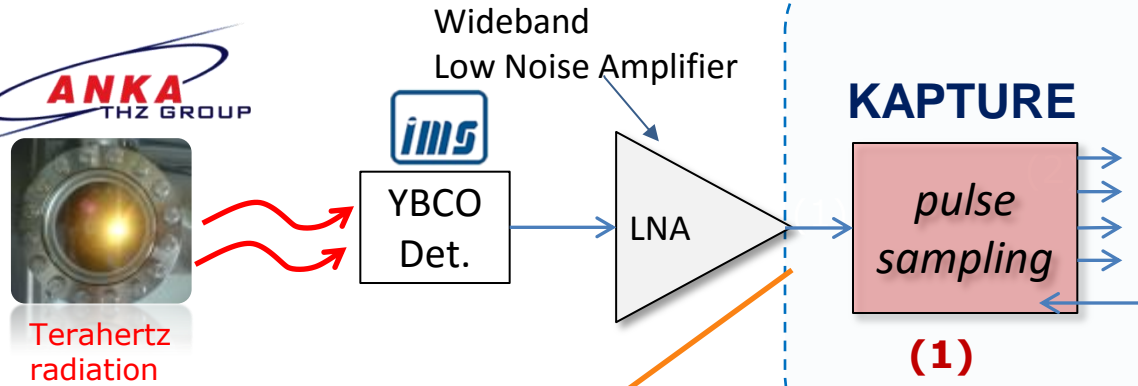


## Requirements:

- Acquire each pulse  $\rightarrow$  pulse repetition rate of 500 MHz
- For each pulse  $\rightarrow$  measure amplitude and peaking time respectively with "mV" "picosecond" accuracy

# Ultrafast THz readout system (I)

KAPTURE system



*Pulse with repetition rate 500 MHz*

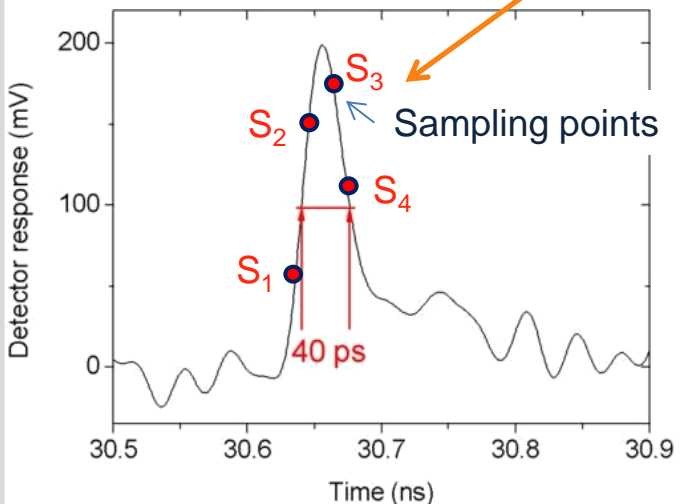
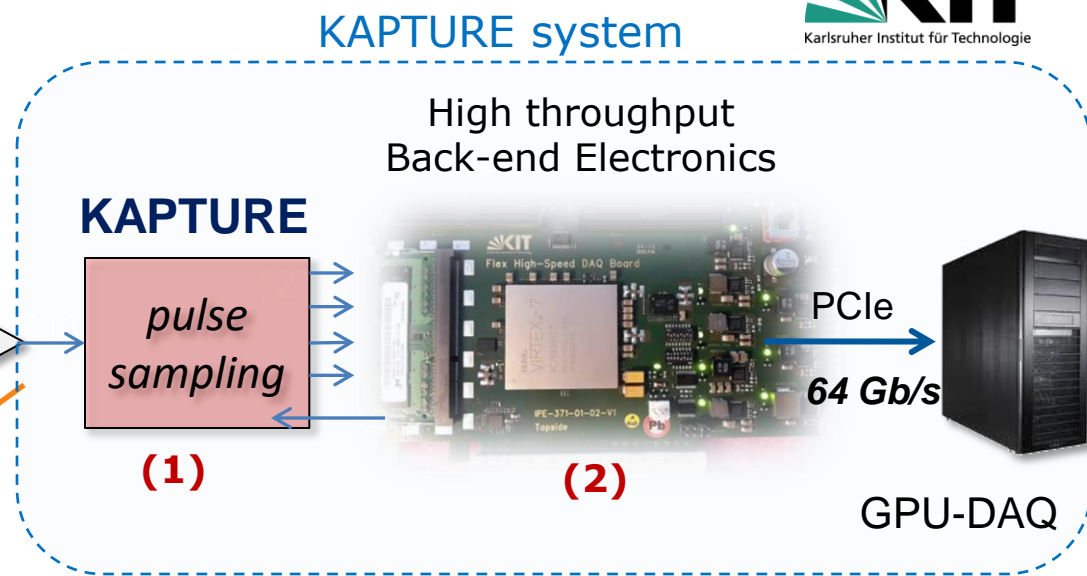
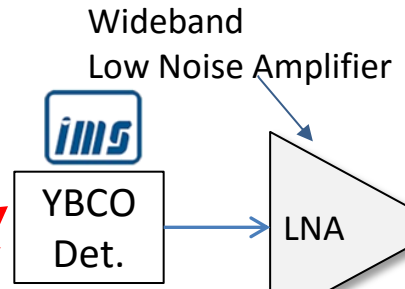
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# Ultrafast THz readout system (II)



Terahertz radiation



Pulse with repetition rate 500 MHz

- 1. Sampling:** each pulse sampled with 4 samples by **KAPTURE** system , minimum sampling time of 3 ps.
- 2. Data transfer:** digital samples transferred to high-end GPU (Graphics Processing Units) by a *DMA-> DirectGPU* technology

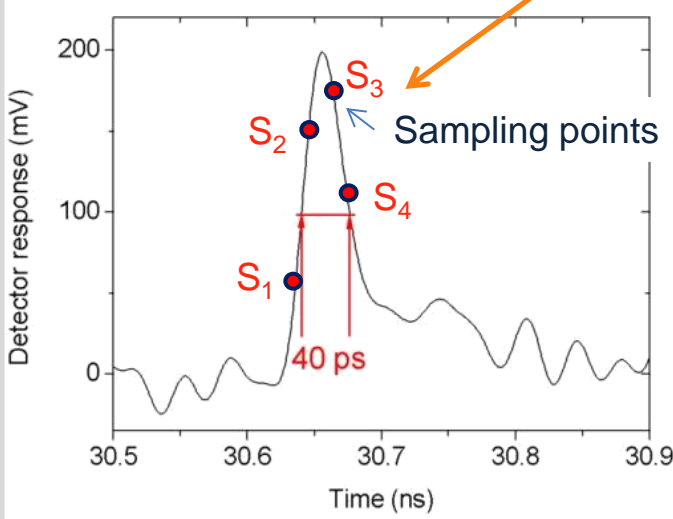
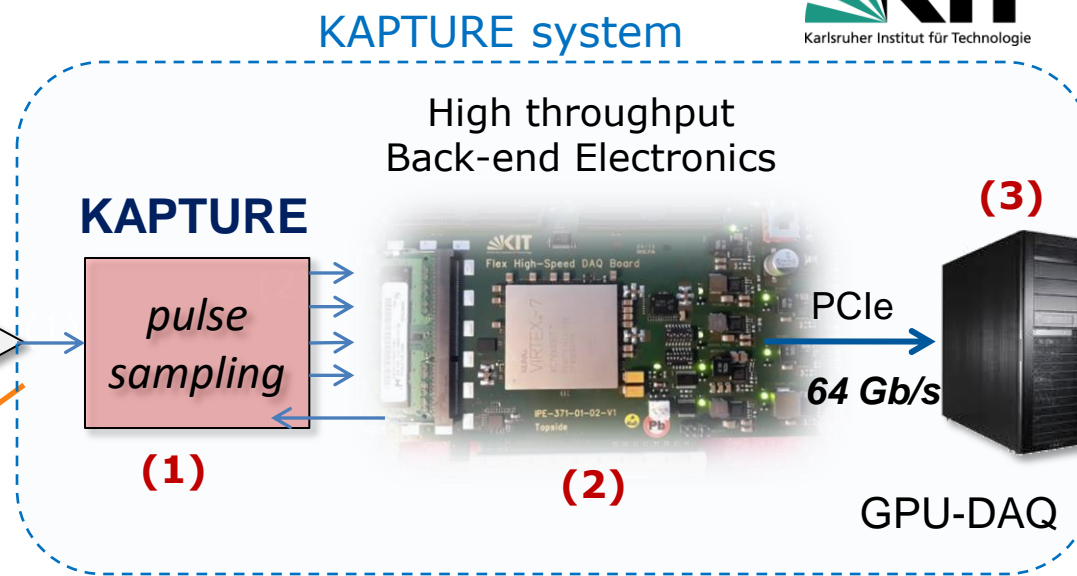
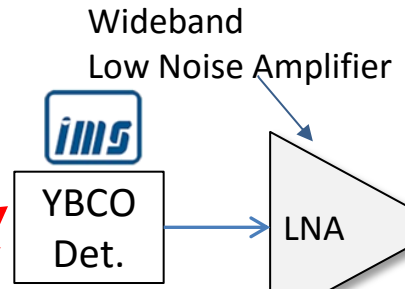
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# Ultrafast THz readout system (III)



Terahertz radiation



Pulse with repetition rate 500 MHz

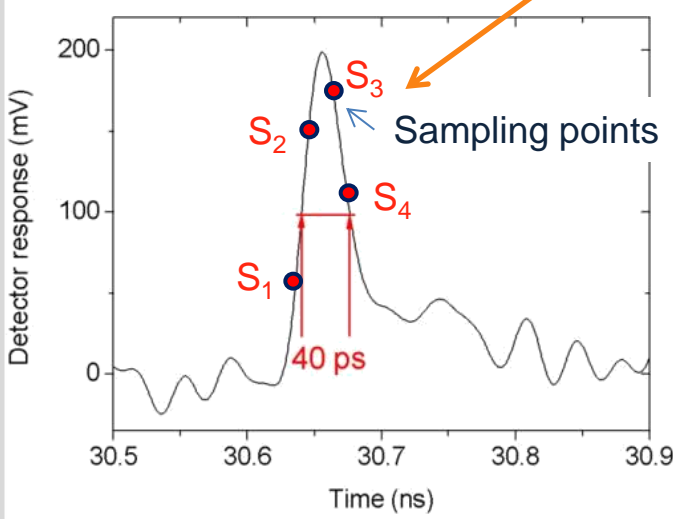
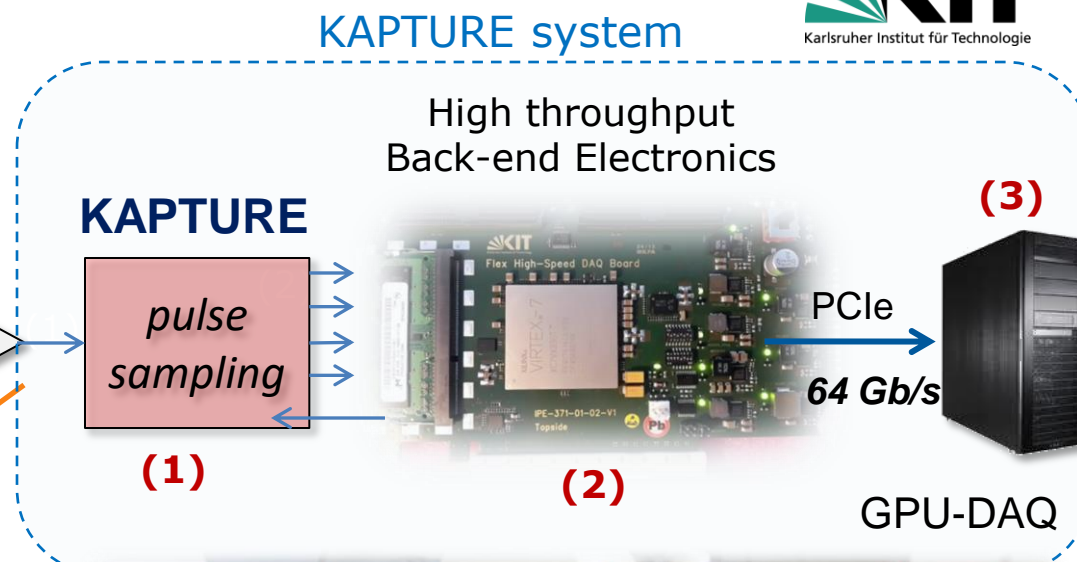
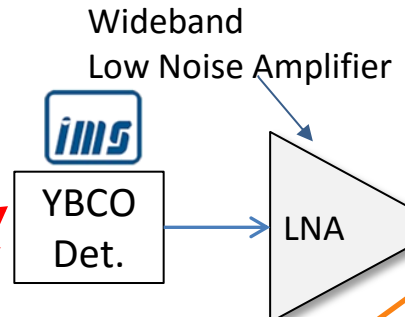
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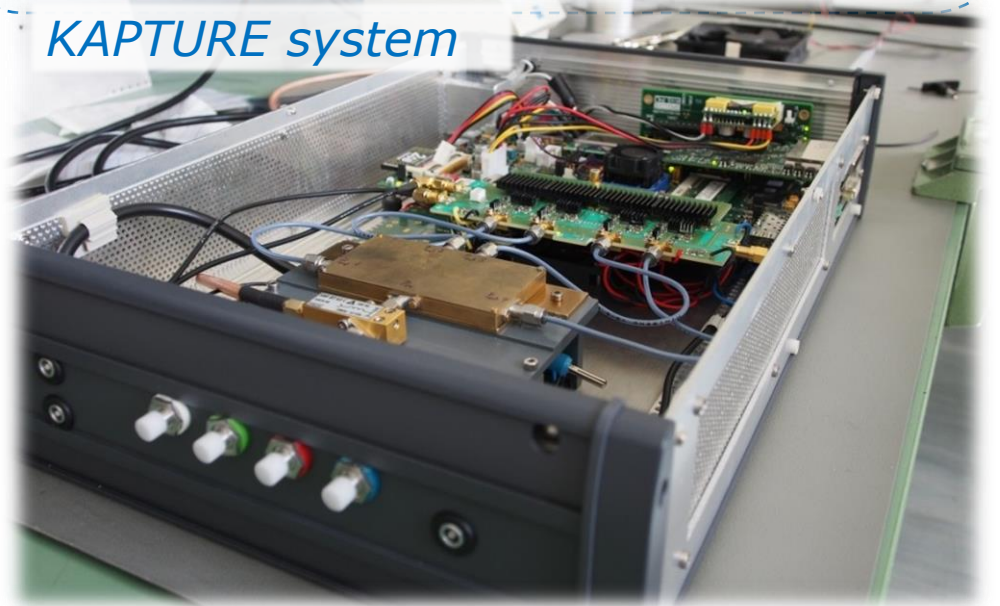
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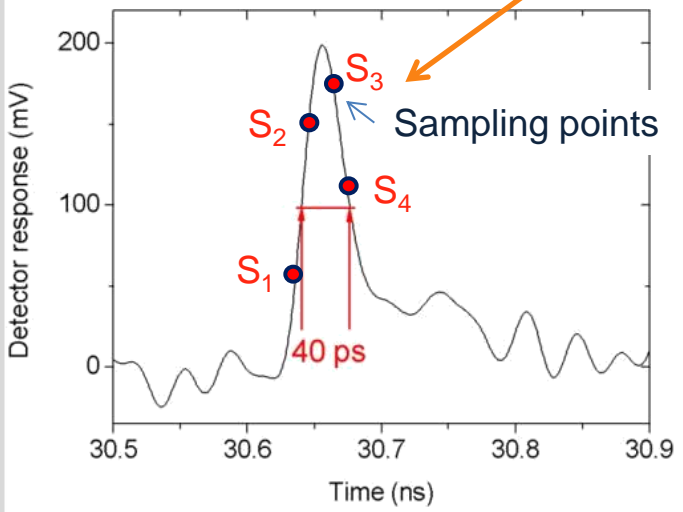
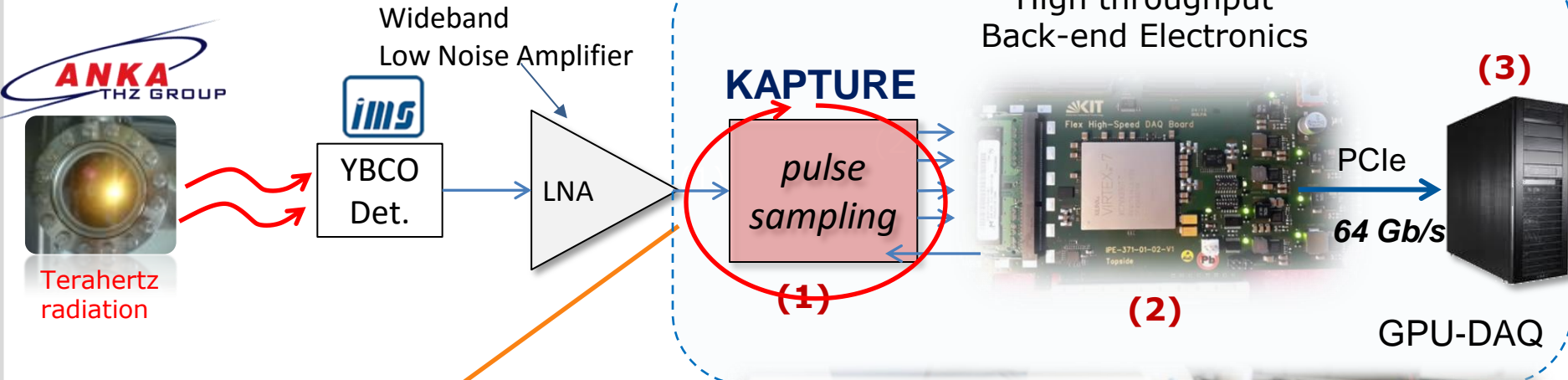
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Pulse with repetition rate 500 MHz



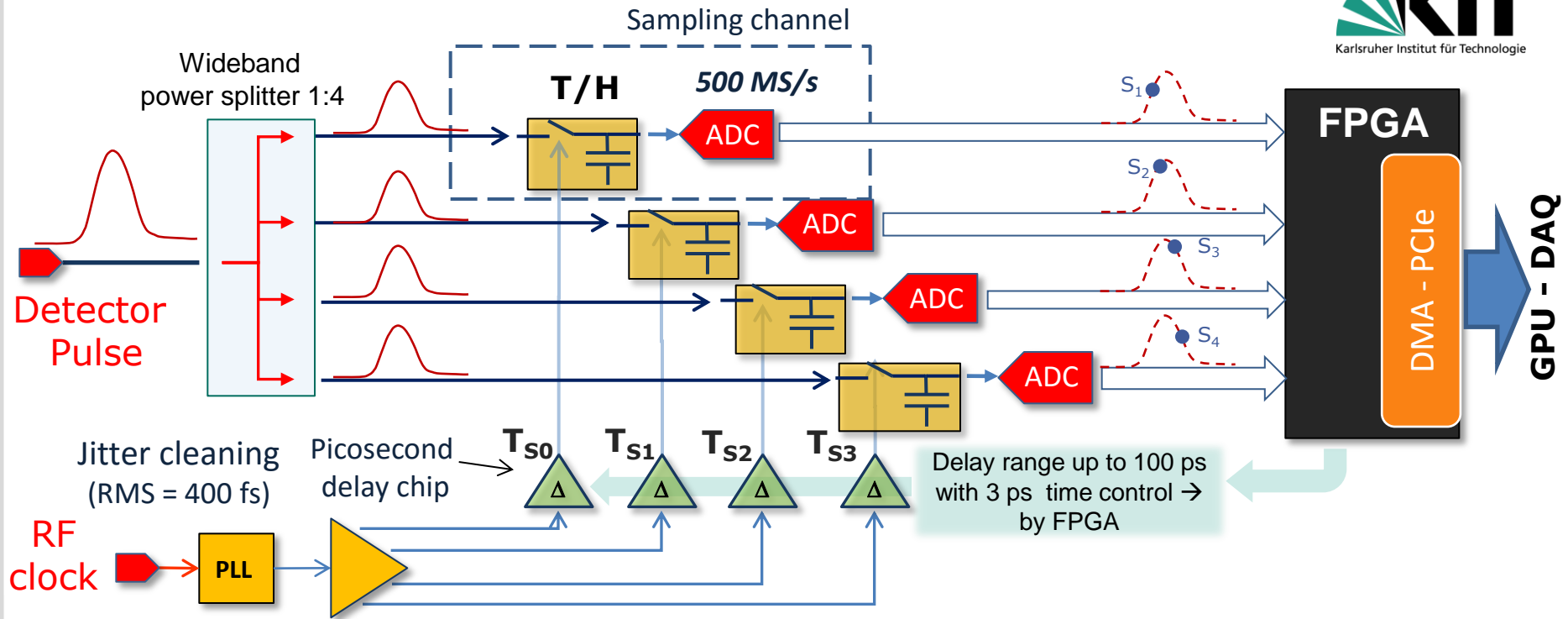
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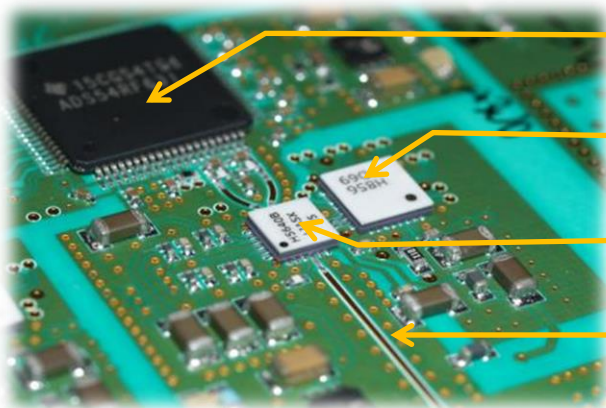
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# KARlsruhe Pulse Taking Ultra-fast Readout Electronic



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Fast ADC

Picosecond delay chip

DC-18 GHz Track-and-Hold

Wideband transmission line

12 layers of RF/Microwave ROGER 4003C

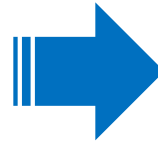
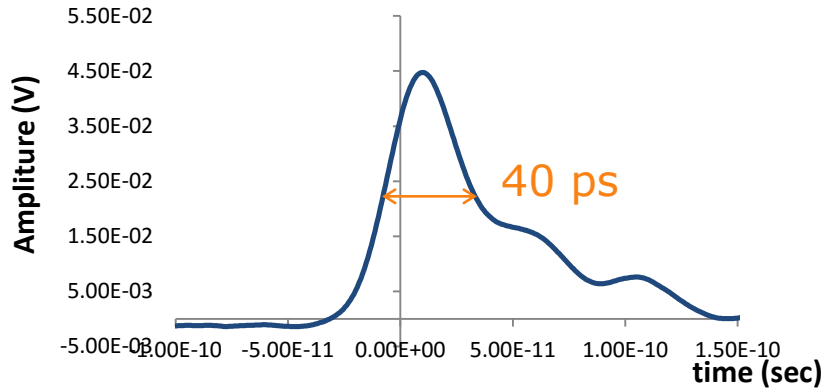
Picosecond time accordion traces



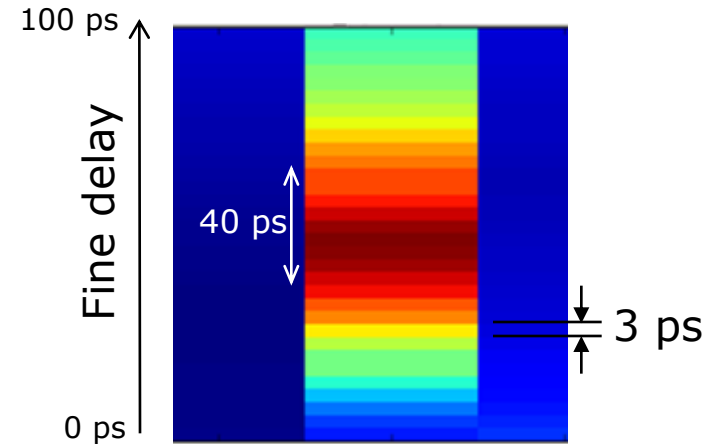
# KAPTURE vers. 1 - Time characterization

YBCO detector pulse acquired by KAPTURE → “equiv. time sampling mode”

Pulse measured by real-time oscilloscope (bandwidth 60 GHz)

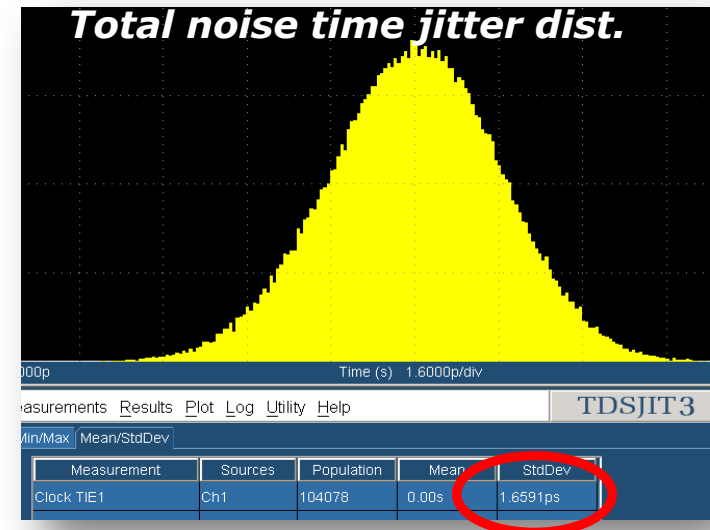


Pulse measured by KAPTURE equivalent time sampling @ 3 ps



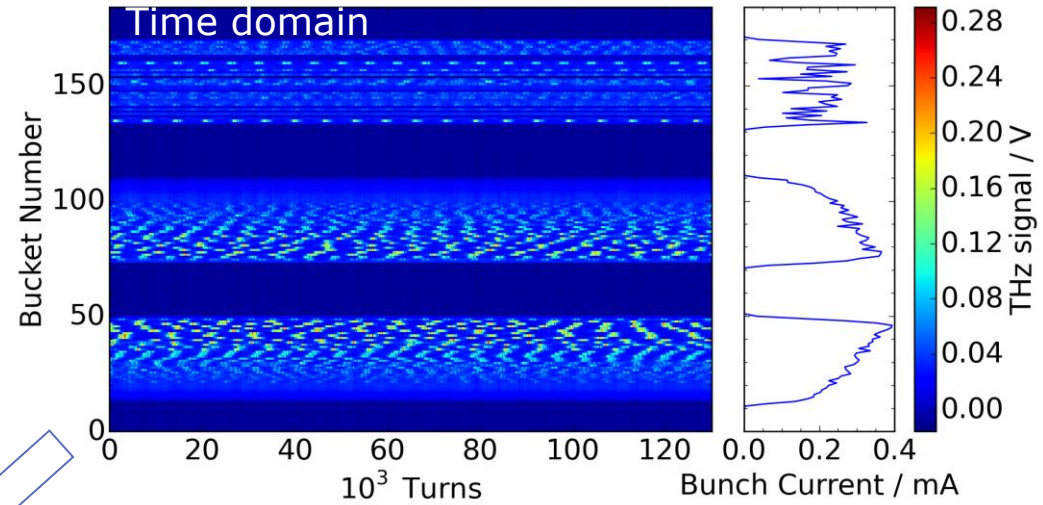
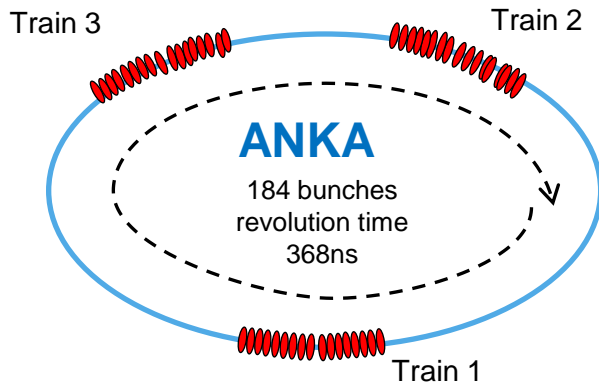
KAPTURE, electrical characteristics:

Dynamic range	$\pm 800$ mV
Trigger rate	500 MHz
Minimum sampling time	3 ps
Total RMS time jitter	< 1.7 ps
Noise RMS	< 2 mV

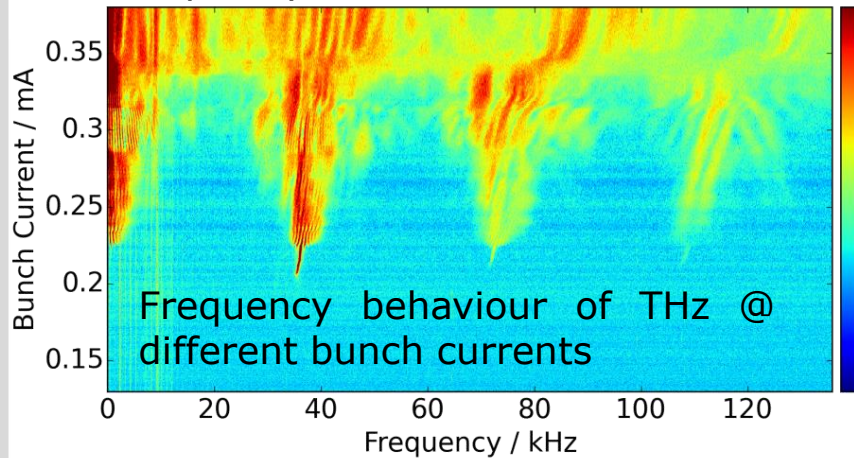


# Experimental results - THz Bursting thresholds

To study the fluctuations of coherent terahertz radiation → caused by the micro-bunching instability (bursting).



## Frequency domain



M. Brosi, M. Caselle et al. *Fast Mapping of Terahertz Bursting Threshold and Characteristic at Synchrotron Light Source*. 02/05/2016,

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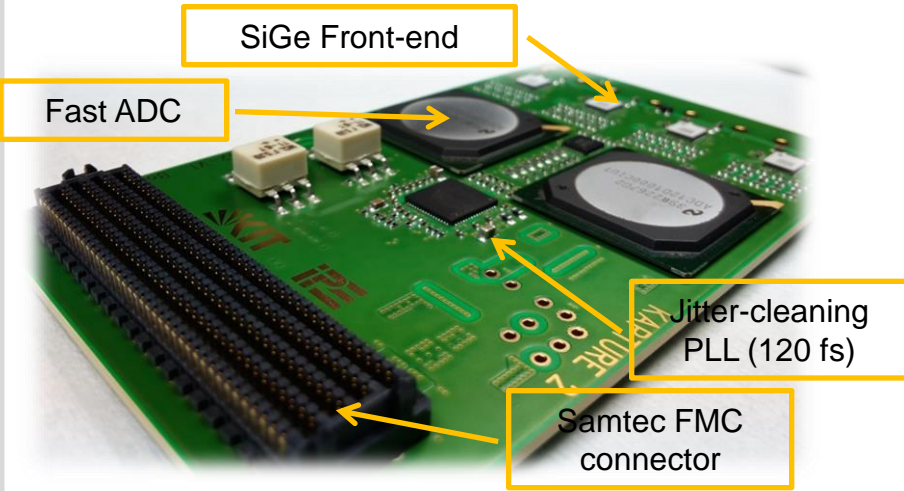
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**KAPTURE: confirmed excellent agreement between theory and experimental data**

# KAPTURE v. 2 – Overview

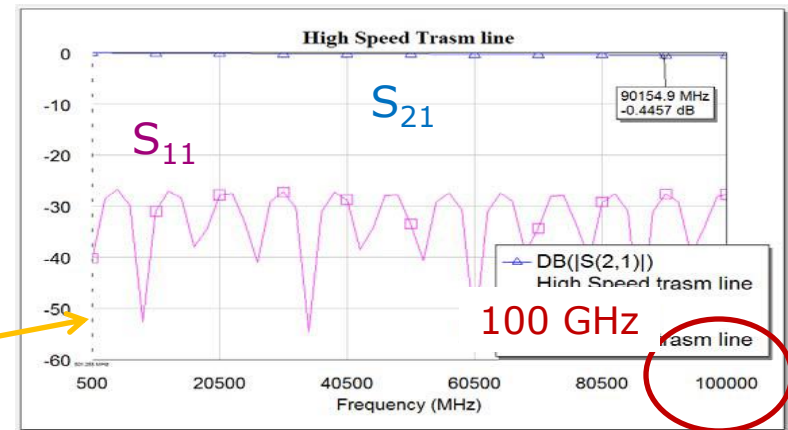
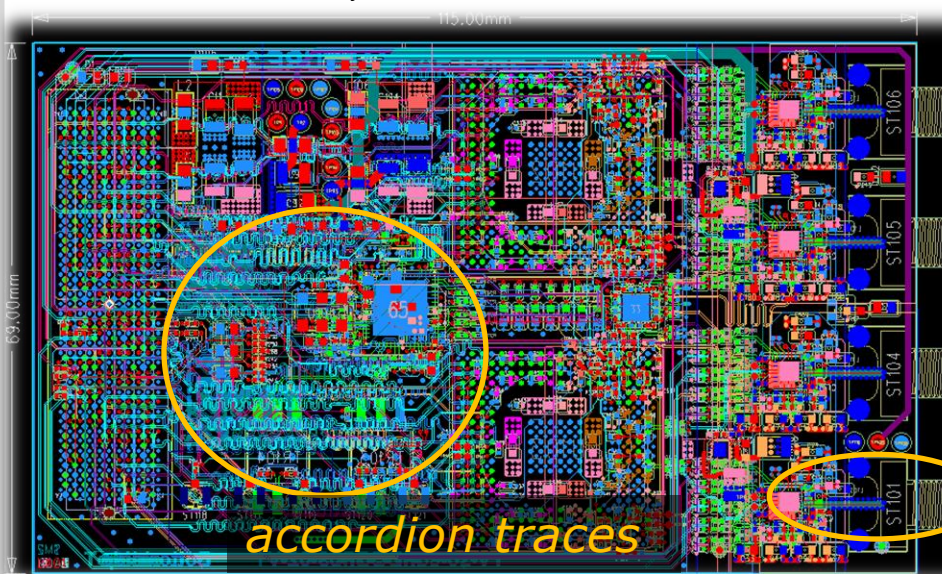


- Analog input bandwidth: DC – 60 GHz
- Single channel mode: continuous 4 x 1.8 GS/s = 7.2 GS/s @ 12 bit waveform sampling
- 16 layers of RF/Microwave ROGER 4003C
- Mechanically/electrically compatible with FMC /  $\mu$ TCA system

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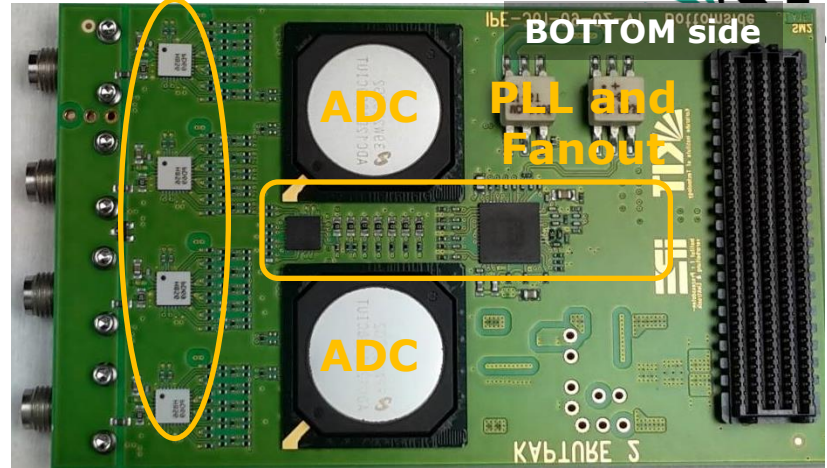
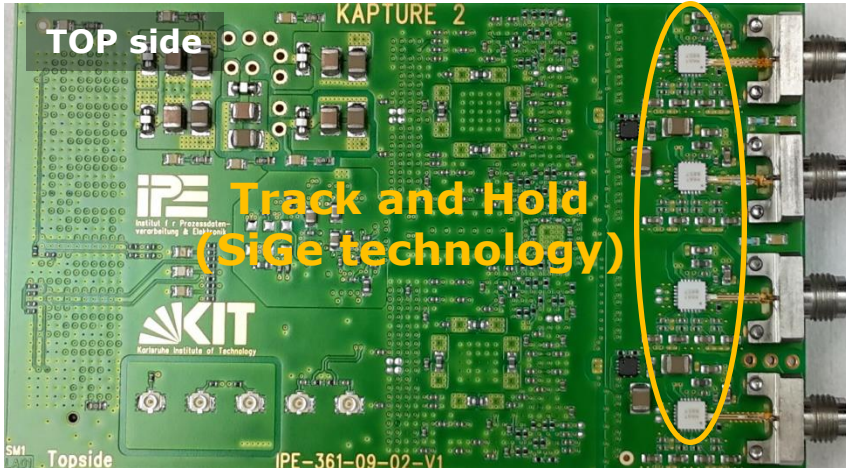
Produced 2016, currently under test

*Low-noise PCB design, wideband transmission lines, accordion traces for length matching, etc.*

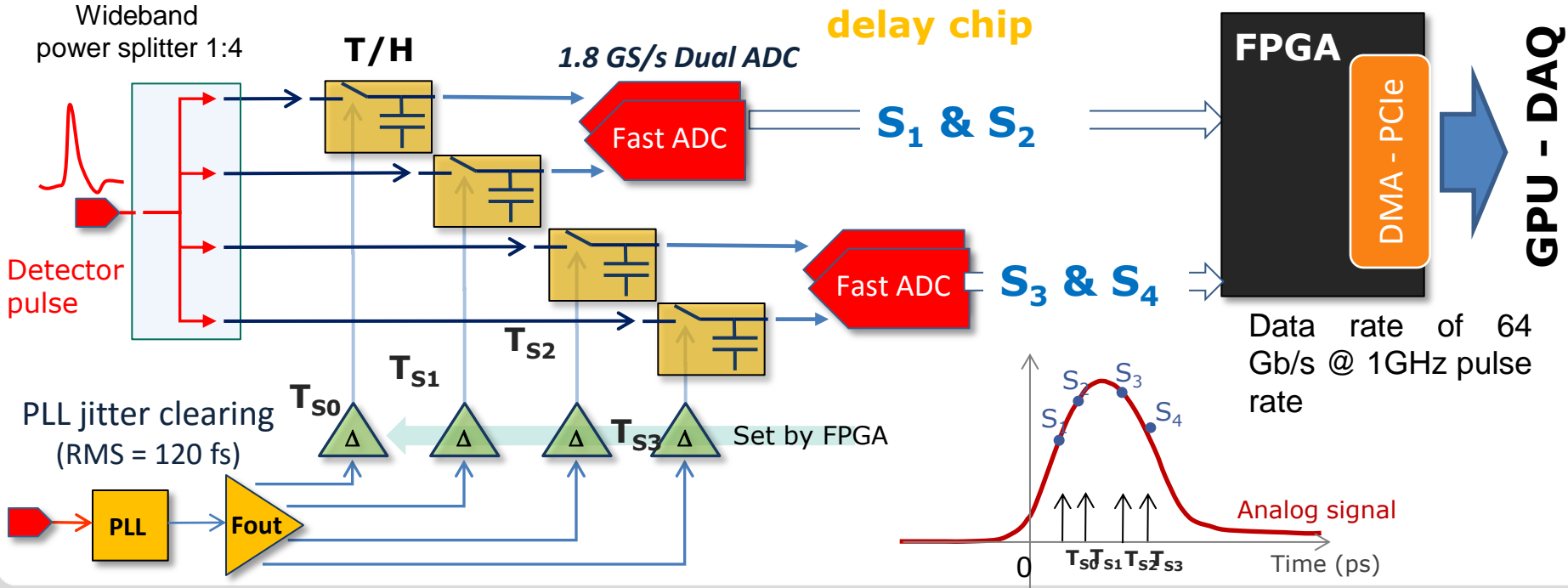




# KAPTURE v. 2 – Picosecond sampling architecture

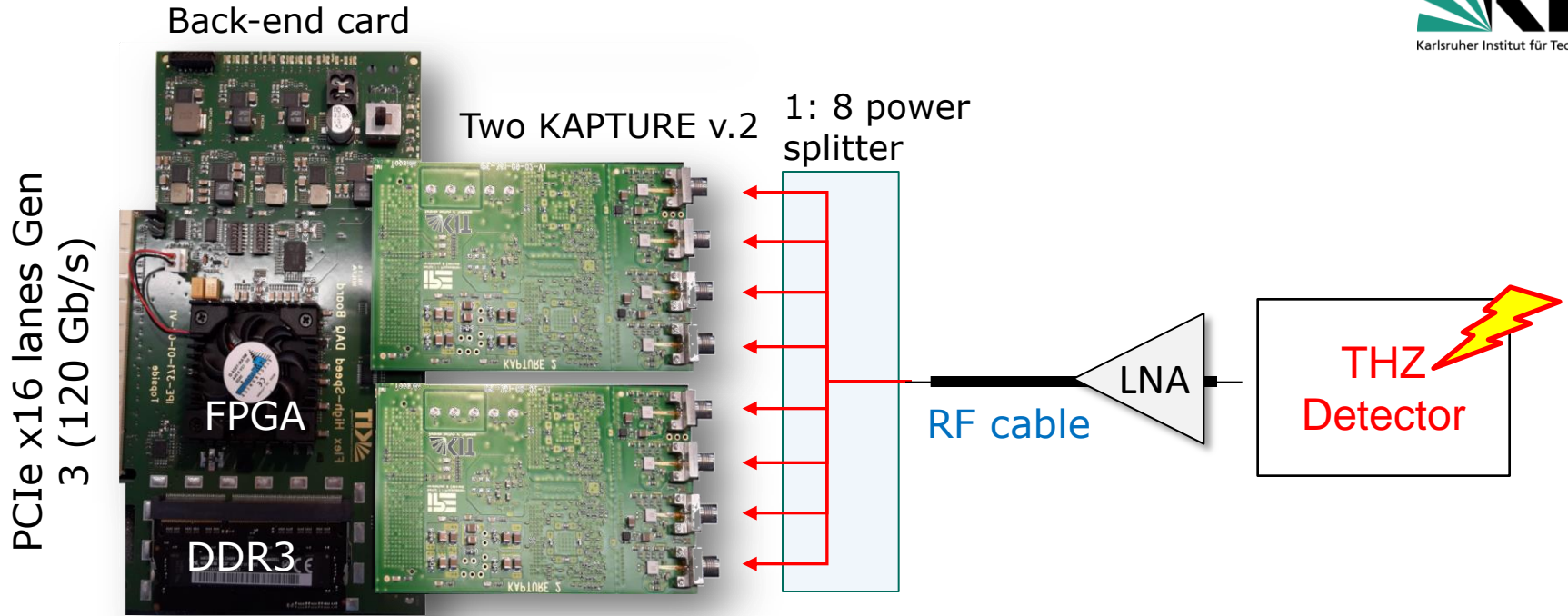


Picosecond delay chip

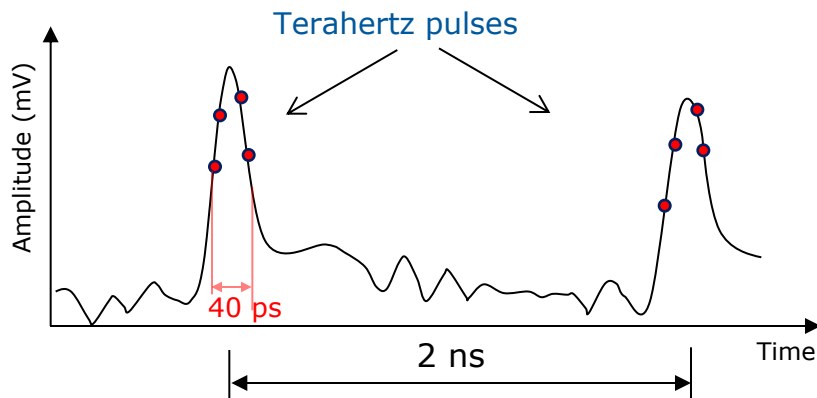




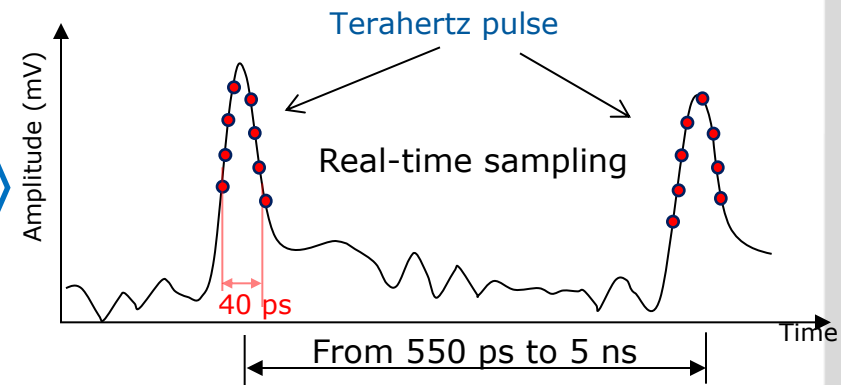
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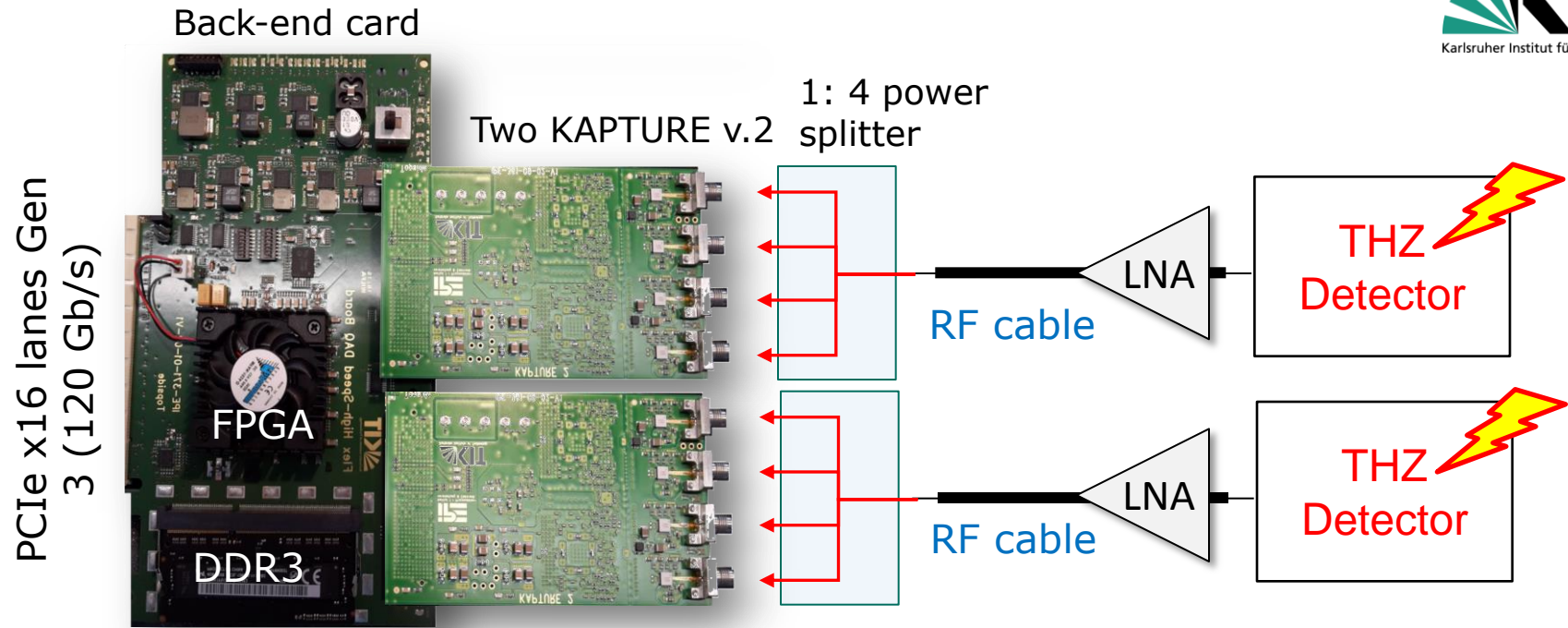
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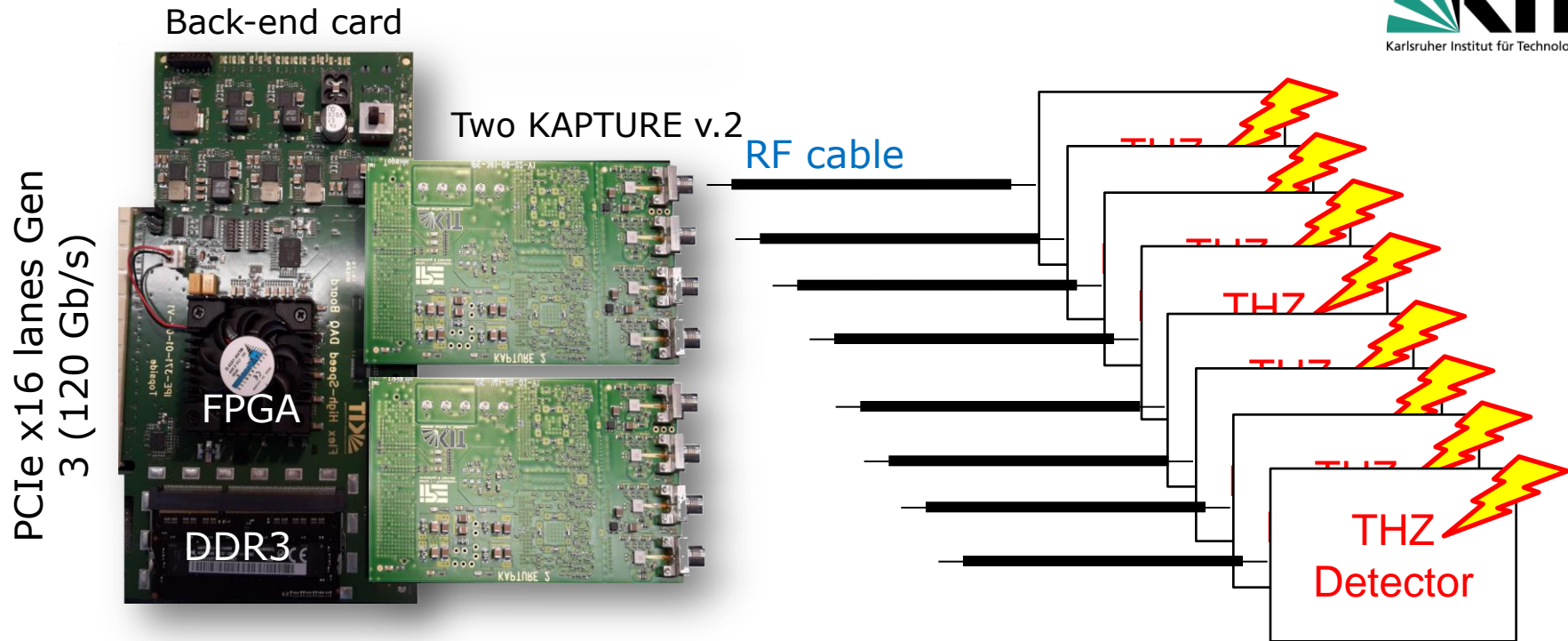


# KAPTURE v. 2 – Operation mode (II)



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 # 2 THz Detectors → up to 4 samples per pulse @ max. pulse rate of 1.8 GHz

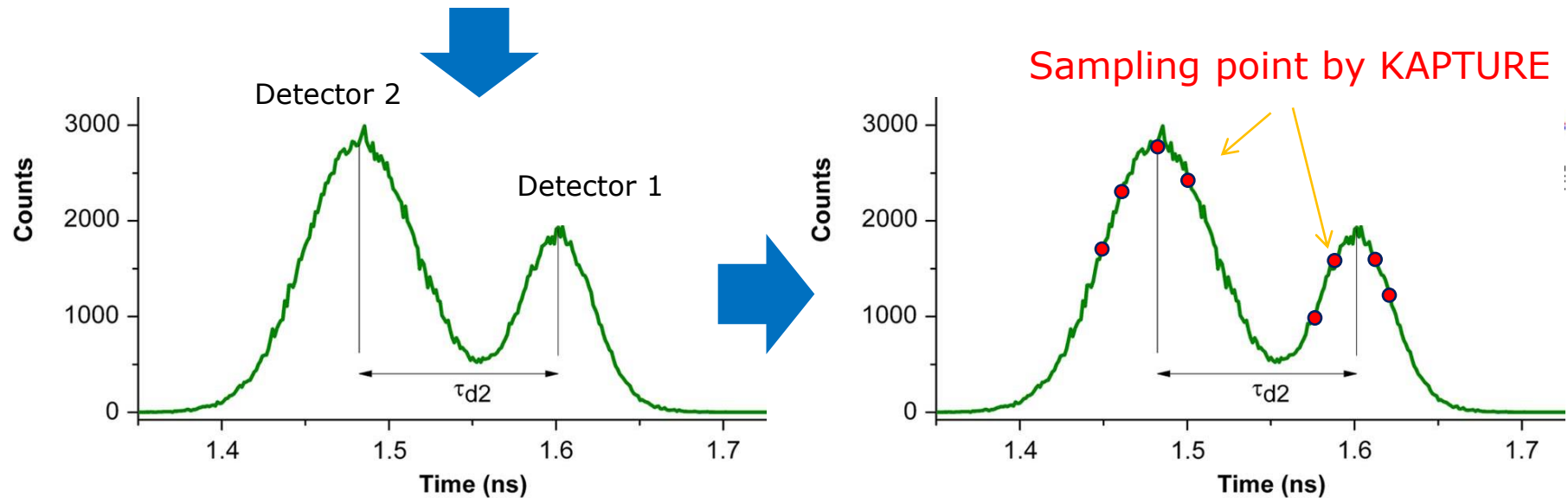
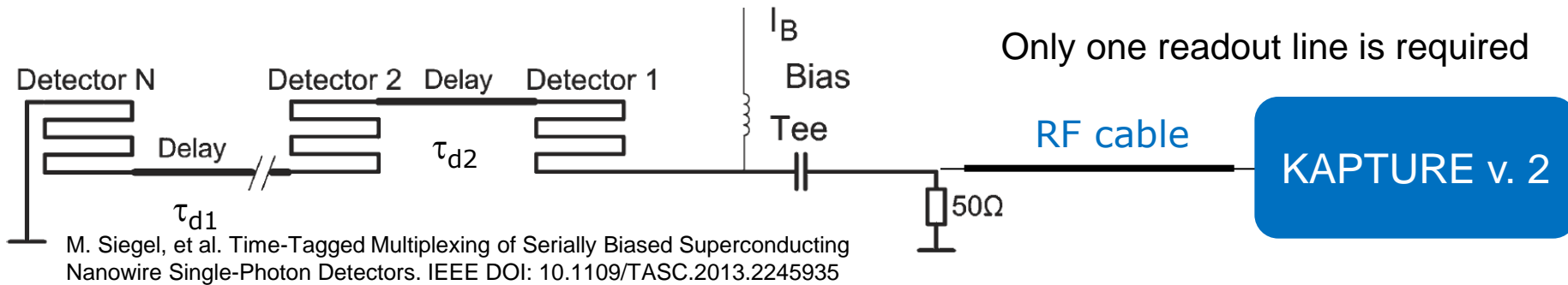
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- ★ # Up to 8 THz Detectors → 1 samples per pulse (peaking time) @ max. pulse rate of 1.8 GHz

# Multi-pixel THz readout scheme

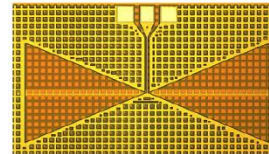
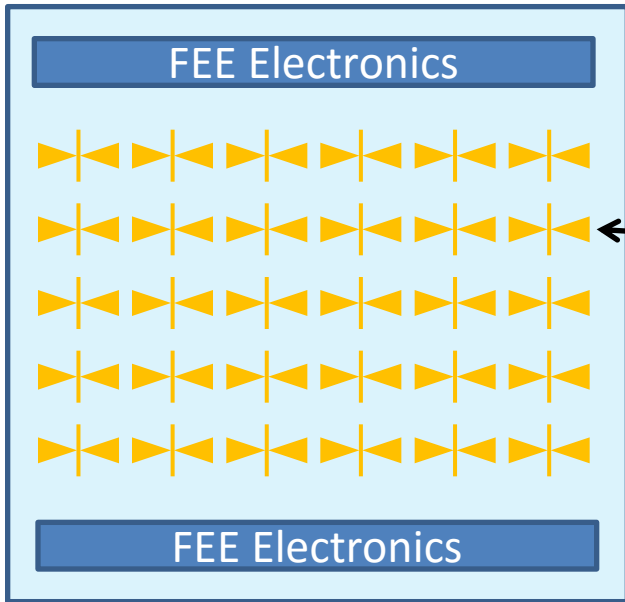
## Time-Tagged Multiplexing of Serially Biased Superconducting Nanowire Single-Photon Detectors



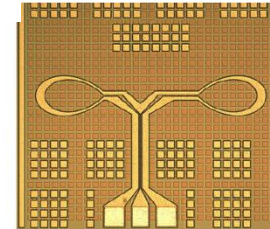
Designed to sample two ultra fast pulses with very short time distance. Time distance settable by FPGA from 25 ps to 400 ps with incremental step of 25 ps.



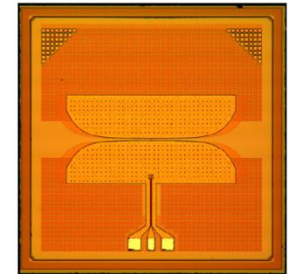
# Matrix of THz Pixel detector – Future Perspective



(a) Bow-tie antenna



(b) Half-cloverleaf

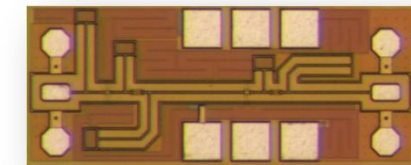
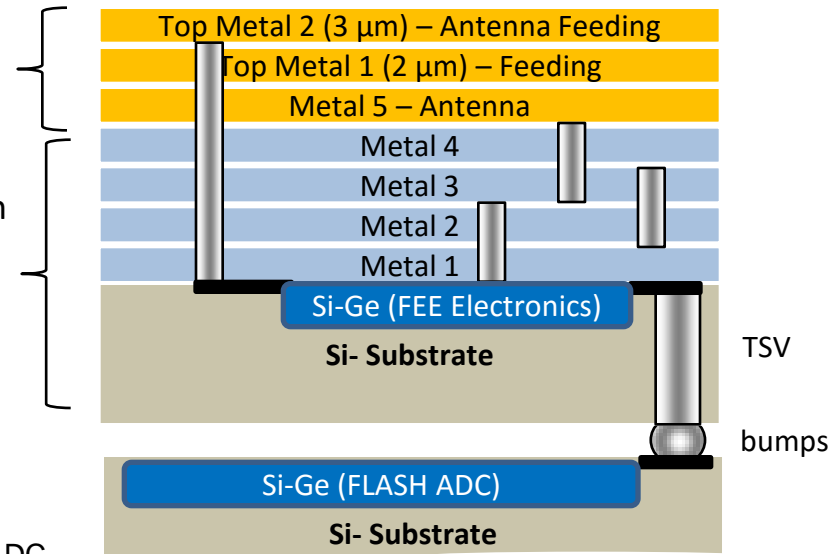


(c) Vivaldi Antenna

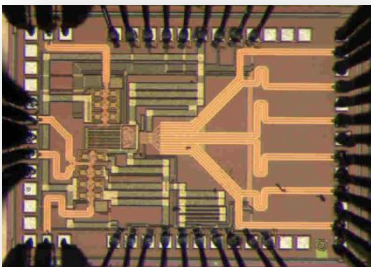
Novel GHz/THz room temperature sensors technologies are explored by *Technische Universität Dresden* based on 0.13  $\mu\text{m}$  SiGe IHP (Germany)

Wideband on-chip GHz antenna device

Front-End Electronics based on LNA and fast Track-and-Hold (peak detector configuration)



First prototype of 200 GHz LNA



FAST ADC (4 bits @ 24 GS/s)  
Test of the prototype of the 24 GS/s Fast ADC

# Conclusions

- ✓ KAPTURE system acknowledged as an important diagnostic tool for the study of Coherent Synchrotron Radiation @ THz range → international accelerator machine community
- ✓ High performance back-end readout card combined with PCIe-DMA firmware based on “DirectGPU” technology, key component for a continuous data acquisition and real-time data processing up to 6.5 GB/s. → **Poster pos. M4**
- ✓ New KAPTURE version produced and currently under test → to improve the accuracy of THz pulse measurements → up to 8 samples points for each pulse.
- ✓ Large communities are interested → integrated “GHz-Pixel” matrix detector. Wide range of potential applications:
  - ✓ New generation of imaging & spectroscopy based on THz radiation → medical, biologic and pharmaceutical, industry, etc.
  - ✓ New physics → Beam monitoring of synchrotron and free electron laser machines, astrophysics → new generation of THz radio telescope
  - ✓ New generation of wireless devices

*Thank you for your attention ....*

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Studies of Bursting CSR in Multi-bunch Operation at the ANKA Storage Ring

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Commissioning of an Ultra-fast Data Acquisition System for Coherent Synchrotron Radiation Detection

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Computing Infrastructure for Online Monitoring and Control of High-throughput DAQ Electronics

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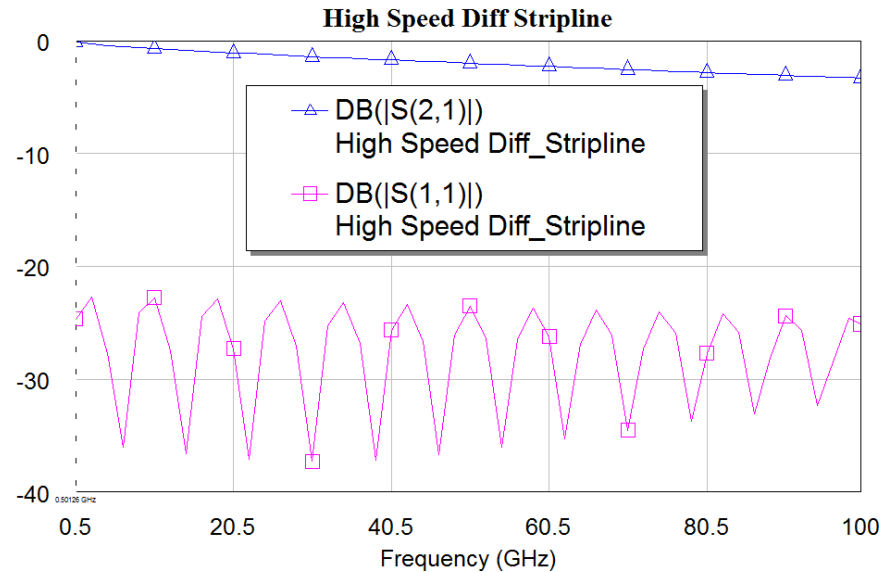
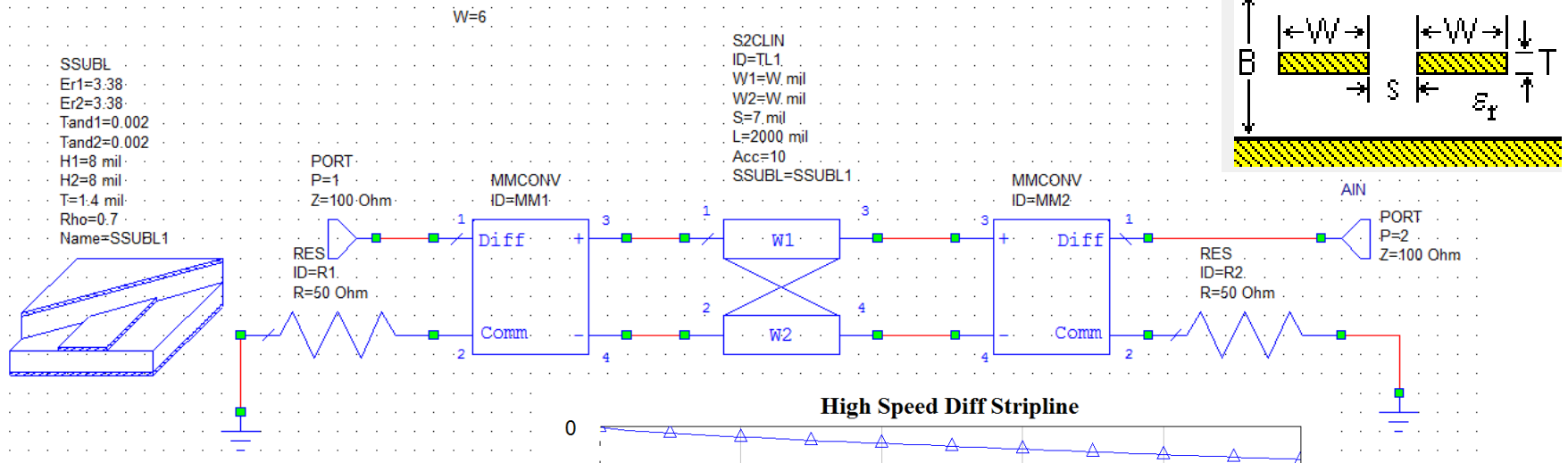
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# ***Backup slides***



# Differential Stripline (TL)

**Digital signal, ADC clock distribution  $f=500\text{MHz}$**



# FSP board : Time jitters measurements

**Time jitter:** *The deviation from the ideal timing of an event.*

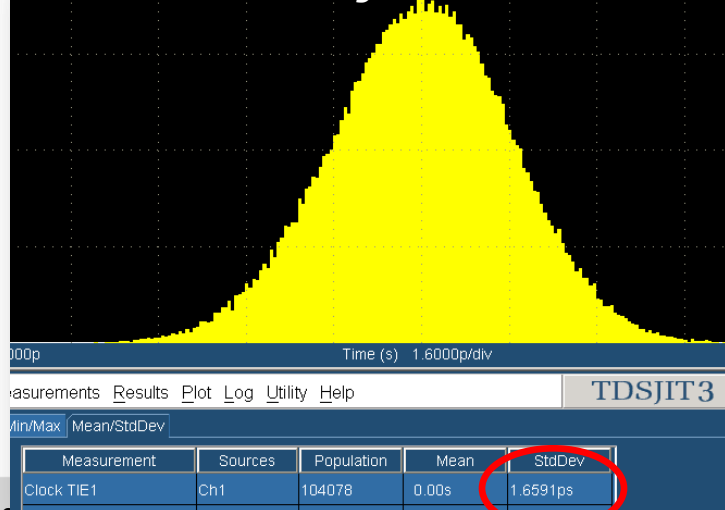


*Jitter is composed of: both deterministic (DJ) and Gaussian (random) (RJ) content.*

Cross talk, EMI radiation, noisy reference plane, Simultaneous Switching Outputs (SSO), etc.

Thermal and shot noise, etc.

## Total noise time jitter

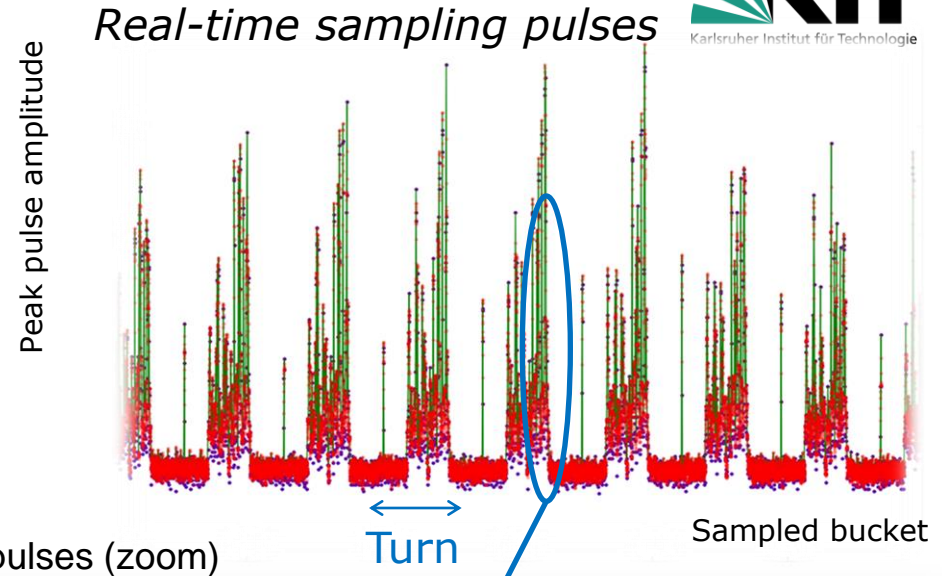
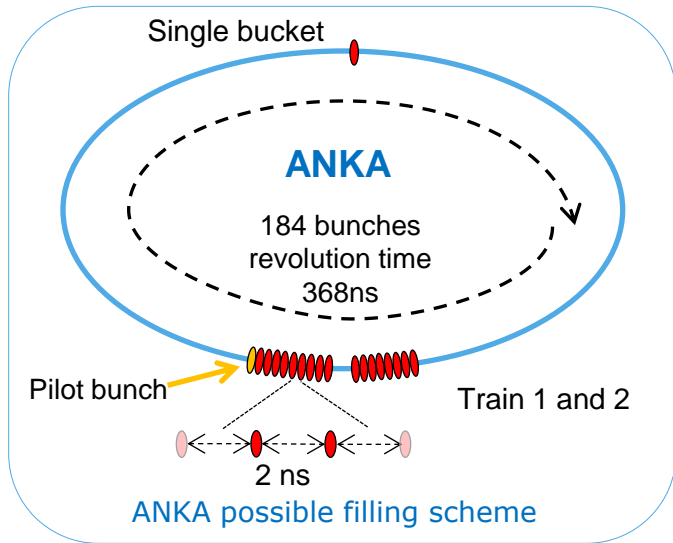


**NO deterministic component** → NO digital cross-talk in the analog circuitries, EMI or SSO, etc..

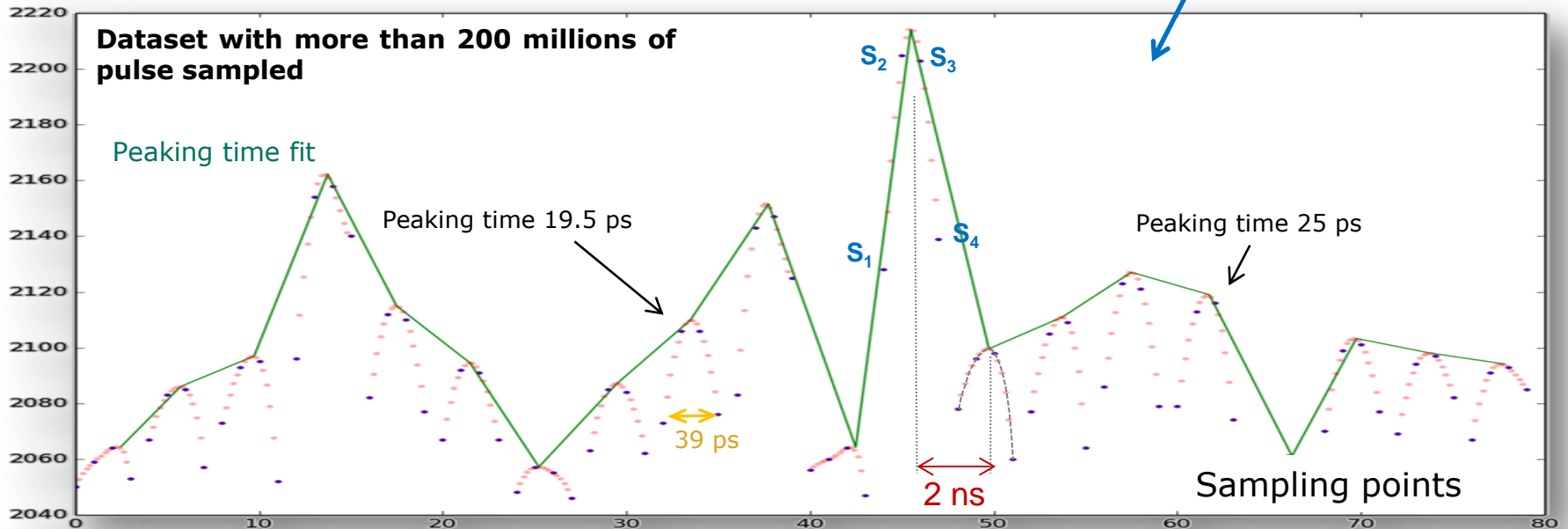
**Total noise time jitter StDev < 1.7 psec**

**N.B.** *The time resolution measured on the most advanced ASICs based on CFDs is of the order of **5 ps rms**.*

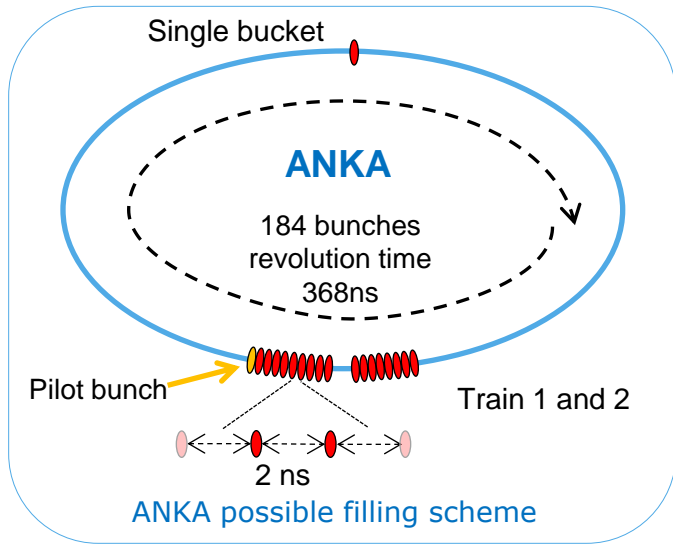
# Beam test with YBCO detector and KAPTURE system



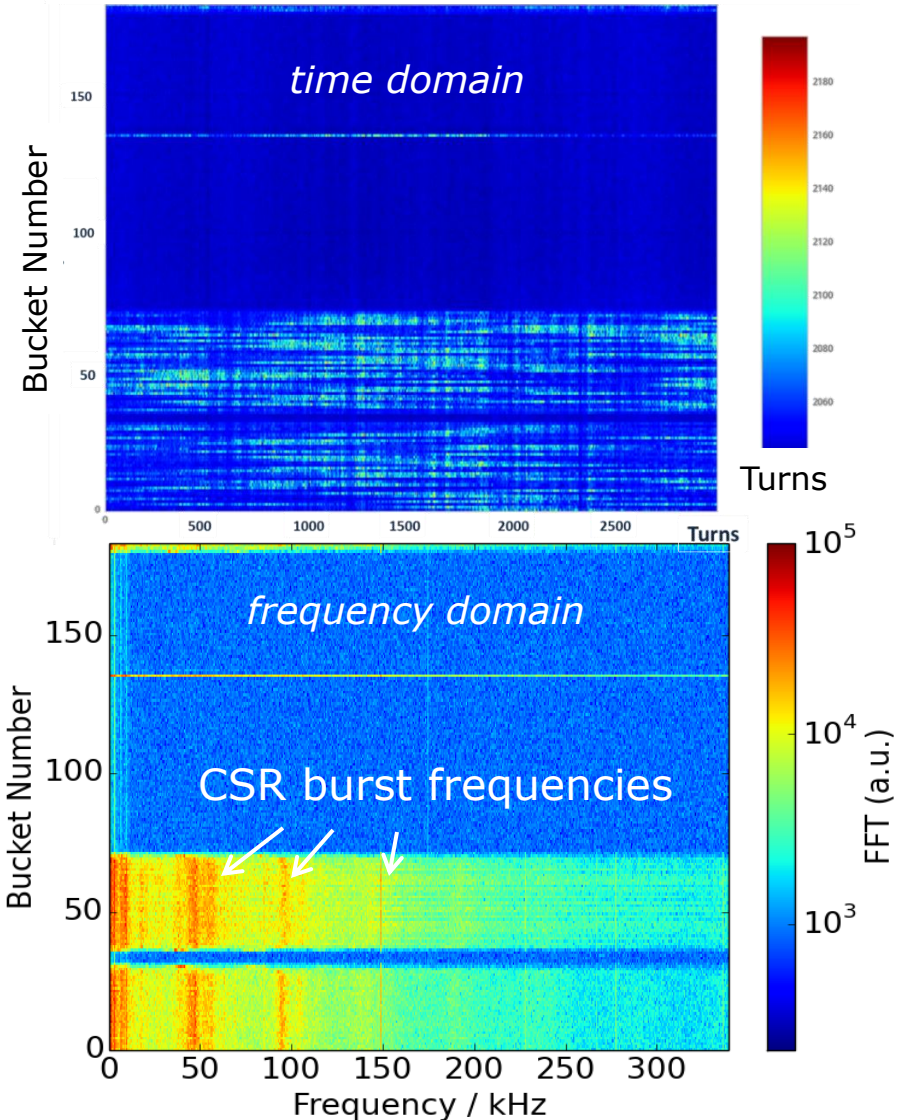
Real-time sampling pulses (zoom)



# Time and frequency domains



Turn by turn monitoring  
of CSR intensity

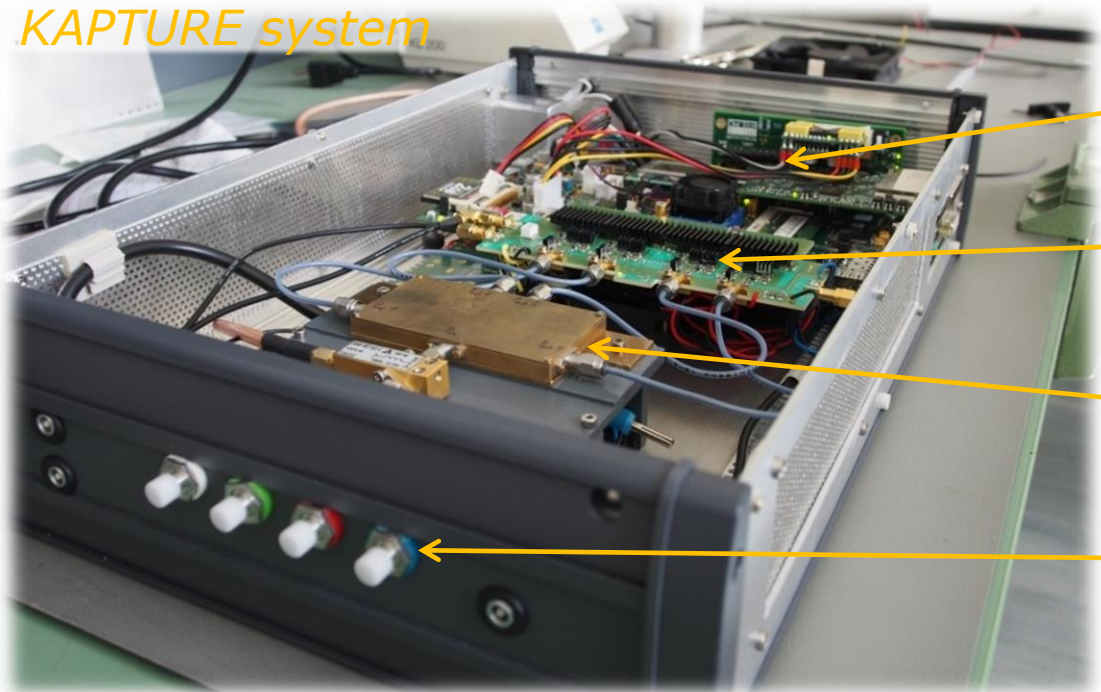


## **KAPTURE system:**

- ✓ Real-time pulse sampling for long observation time
- ✓ Simultaneous turn by turn measurement of all 184 buckets
- ✓ Real-time pulse reconstruction by GPU
- ✓ Measurements of pulse amplitude and peaking time for each pulse by GPU
- ✓ Real-time FFT and measurements of the CSR fluctuations by GPU

# Commissioning of KAPTURE system

## KAPTURE system



Readout card and  
PCIe connection

KAPTURE board

1:4 Power splitter  
and LNA

Analog bandwidth  
DC-50 GHz

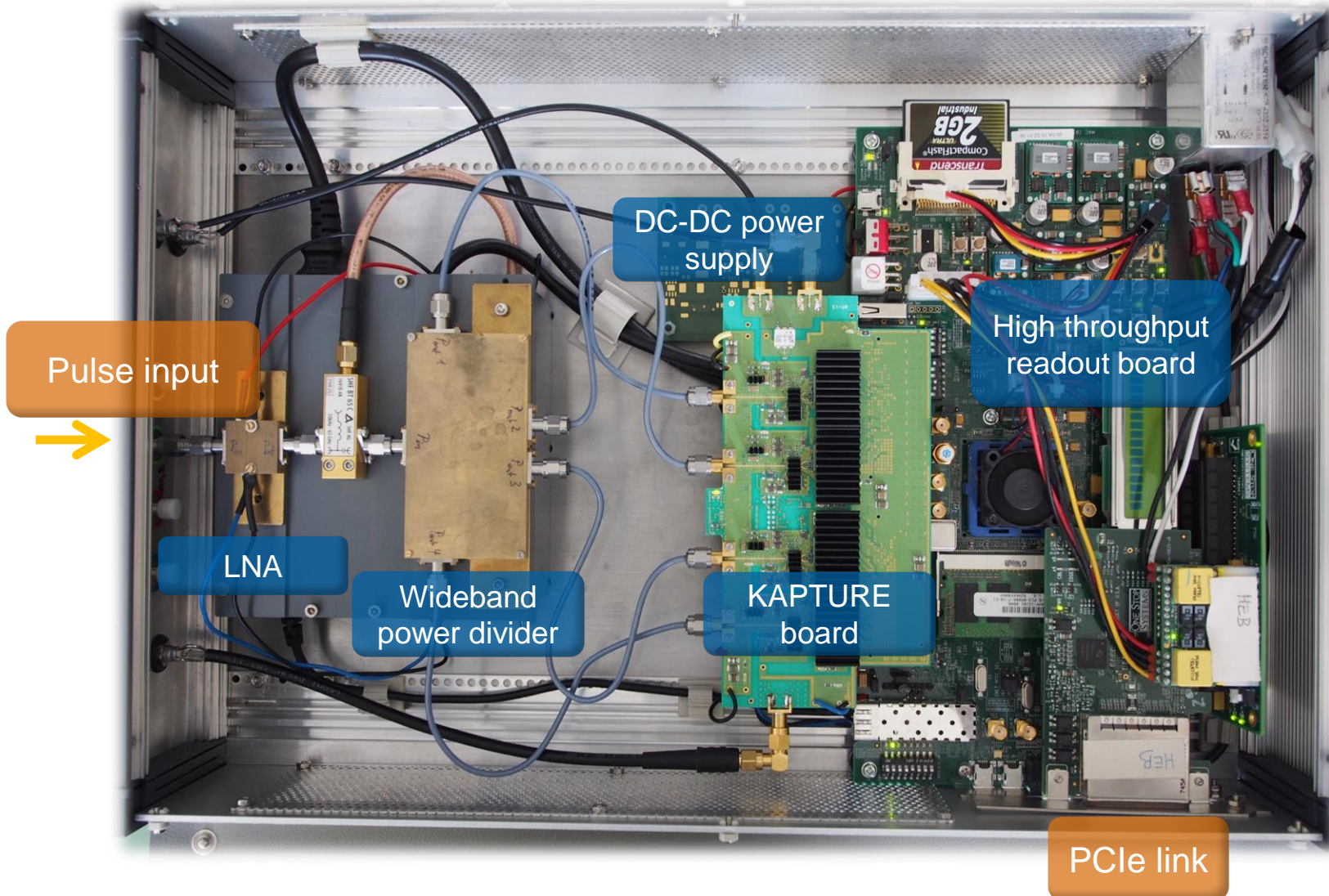
M. Caselle, et al *Commissioning of an Ultra-fast Data Acquisition System for Coherent Synchrotron Radiation Detection*. 29/01/2015. <http://accelconf.web.cern.ch/AccelConf/IPAC2014/papers/thpme113.pdf>

## Key features

- ❑ Readout compatible with: YBCO, HEB, and Schottky diode detectors
- ❑ Pulse amplitude "mV" and arrive time measurements "ps" accuracy
- ❑ Simultaneous acquisition of all buckets turn-by-turn in streaming mode
- ❑ Continuous acquisition for long observation time.
- ❑ Real-time data elaboration by GPUs

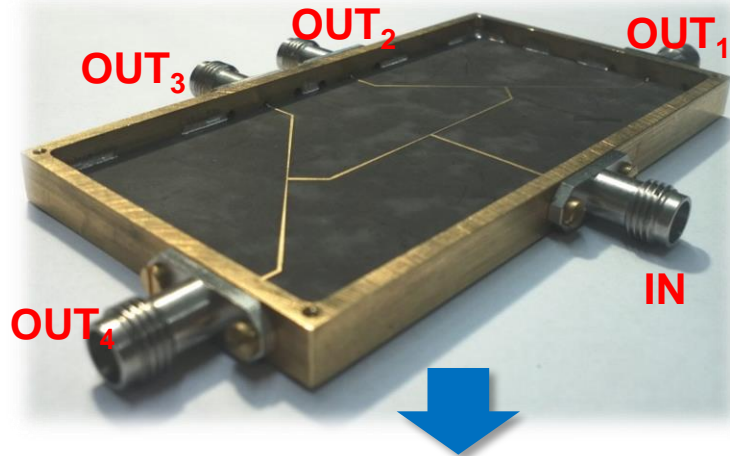


# KAPTURE version 1



# Wideband power divider (KIT)

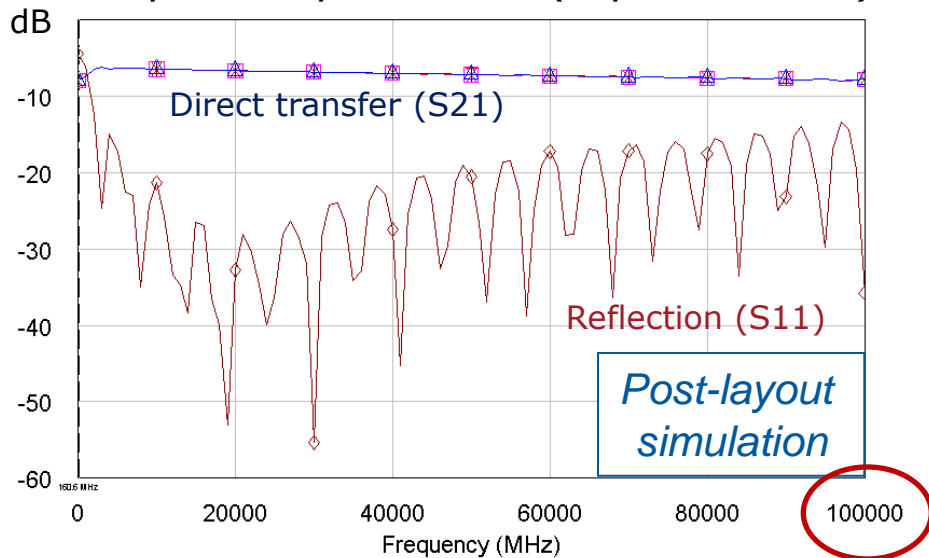
Power divider 1:4 outputs



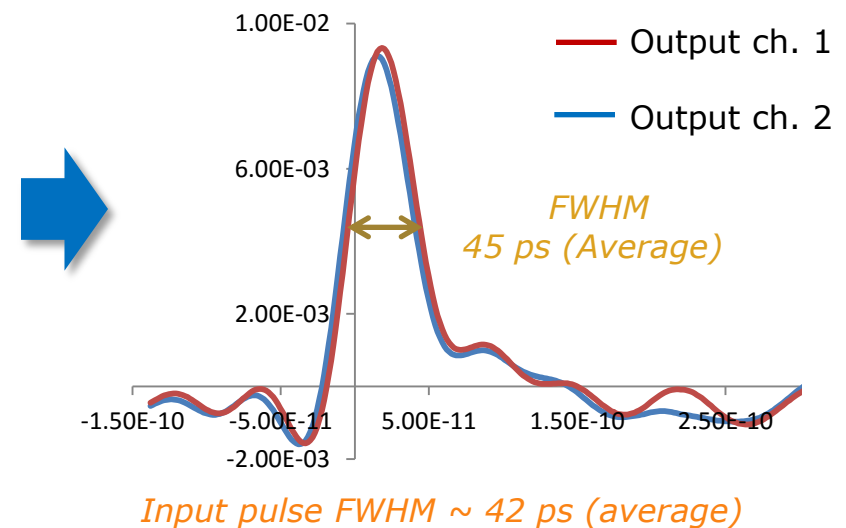
Power divider 1:2 outputs



KIT power splitter 1:4 (S parameters)



Outputs channels (time)



# Terahertz detectors with picosecond time resolution

- Several cryogenic and room temperature detectors are available to study of the coherent in the THz range → high time accuracy detector, spectrum of hundred GHz -> Terahertz

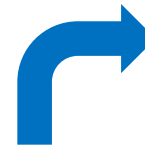
Cryogenic detectors developed at KIT:



Cryogenic HEB detector  
IR1 - ANKA

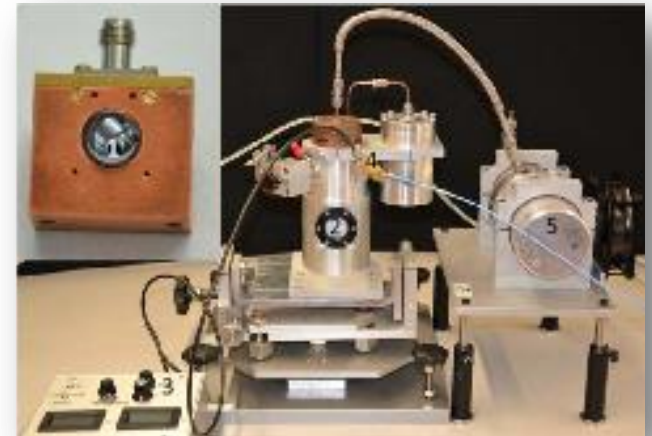
**HEB** (*Hot Electron Bolometer*) detector based on niobium nitride material

- response time < 165 ps
- spectral range 150 GHz - 1.5 THz



**YBCO** (Yttrium barium copper oxide) detector

- response time: down to 1 ps
- spectral range: up to 7 THz



Cryogenic YBCO detector  
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