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Turbo Integrating Current Transformer
Beam Charge Monitor - RF Electronics

User's Manual

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INITIAL INSPECTION

It is recommended that the shipment be inspected immediately upon delivery. If it is damaged in any way, contact Bergoz Instrumentation or your local distributor. The content of the shipment should be compared to the items listed on the invoice. Any discrepancy should be notified to Bergoz Instrumentation or its local distributor immediately. Unless promptly notified, Bergoz Instrumentation will not be responsible for such discrepancies.

WARRANTY

Bergoz Instrumentation warrants its beam current monitors to operate within specifications under normal use for a period of 12 months from the date of shipment. Spares, repairs and replacement parts are warranted for 90 days. Products not manufactured by Bergoz Instrumentation are covered solely by the warranty of the original manufacturer. In exercising this warranty, Bergoz Instrumentation will repair, or at its option, replace any product returned to Bergoz Instrumentation or its local distributor within the warranty period, provided that the warrantor's examination discloses that the product is defective due to workmanship or materials and that the defect has not been caused by misuse, neglect, accident or abnormal conditions or operations. Damages caused by ionizing radiations are specifically excluded from the warranty. Bergoz Instrumentation and its local distributors shall not be responsible for any consequential, incidental or special damages.

ASSISTANCE

Assistance in installation, use or calibration of Bergoz Instrumentation beam current monitors is available from Bergoz Instrumentation, 01630 Saint Genis Pouilly, France. It is recommended to send a detailed description of the problem by email to info@bergoz.com.

SERVICE PROCEDURE

Products requiring maintenance should be returned to Bergoz Instrumentation or its local distributor. Bergoz Instrumentation will repair or replace any product under warranty at no charge. The purchaser is only responsible for transportation charges.

For products in need of repair after the warranty period, the customer must provide a purchase order before repairs can be initiated. Bergoz Instrumentation can issue fixed price quotations for most repairs. However, depending on the damage, it may be necessary to return the equipment to Bergoz Instrumentation to assess the cost of repair.

RETURN PROCEDURE

All products returned for repair should include a detailed description of the defect or failure, name and fax number of the user. Contact Bergoz Instrumentation or your local distributor to determine where to return the product. Returns must be notified by fax prior to shipment.

Return should be made prepaid. Bergoz Instrumentation will not accept freight-collect shipment. Shipment should be made via UPS, FedEx or DHL. Within Europe, the transportation service offered by the Post Offices "EMS" (Chronopost, Datapost, etc.) can be used. The delivery charges or customs clearance charges arising from the use of other carriers will be charged to the customer.

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

This instrument is operated from the mains power supply. For safe operation, it must be grounded by way of the grounding conductor in the power cord. Use only the fuse specified. Do not remove cover panels while the instrument is powered. Do not operate the instrument without the cover panels properly installed.

Chassis originally shipped to U.S. or Canada feature AC mains power entry modules where the Phase is fused and the Neutral unfused, as is the rule.

Chassis to other destinations but U.S. and Canada feature AC mains power entry modules where both Phase and Neutral are fused.

When a chassis with unfused Neutral is used outside the U.S. and Canada, both Phase and Neutral should be fused:

The Power entry module must be opened, the Neutral fuse must be removed, the fuse holder must be flipped; its reverse side presents two slots where two new fuses must be inserted, one in each slot.

The fuses rating must be same as the Neutral fuse that was removed.

The Toroid sensor contains materials such as cobalt and iron. Those materials may become radioactive when exposed to high energy particle beams. Follow applicable radiation-safety procedures when the Toroid sensor must be moved out of controlled areas.

TURBO-ICT & BCM-RF-E SET

This manual applies to BCM-RF-E revisions 204.4 with firmware 2.4 and above. It does NOT apply to either earlier BCM-RF-E revisions, earlier firmware versions, BCM-IHR, BCM-CW or BCM-CA. If there are questions about older firmware versions or other BCM models, please contact the factory at info@bergoz.com

The Turbo-ICT & BCM-RF-E set includes:

- Turbo Integrating Current Transformer
- BCM-RF-E electronics module
- BCM-RFC/xx 19" RF-shielded chassis for BCM-E modules of all versions with power supply and spare power supply
- Turbo-ICT to BCM-RFC chassis interconnect coaxial cable:
 - BCM-Cxx standard interconnect cable in PEX with PTFE connectors
 - or
 - BCM-RHCxx Turbo-ICT rad-tolerant interconnect cable in PEX with PEEK connectors.



Turbo-ICT and BCM-RF-E set

Note: Turbo-ICT features an aluminium box attached to its side; it contains the FEFA Front-End Amplifier and Filter. When option -CAL-FO has been ordered, another box is attached on the opposite side, containing the FO-triggered Calibrated pulse generator.

BCM-RFC/xx RF shielded chassis is compatible with BCM-RF-E
BCM-RF-E and BCM-IHR-E electronics modules can be mixed in the same BCM-RFC/xx chassis.

Power supply must however be dimensioned according to power consumption.
Please contact Bergoz Instrumentation before adding more BCM modules into a chassis.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Turbo-ICT current sensor and BCM-RF-E electronics receiver perform bunch charge or average current measurements with low noise and high accuracy.

Turbo-ICT combines an Integrating Current Transformer of a new kind and front-end filter and amplifier (FEFA) electronics in one assembly.

The Integrating Current Transformer is available in two styles: In-flange models or In-vacuum models.

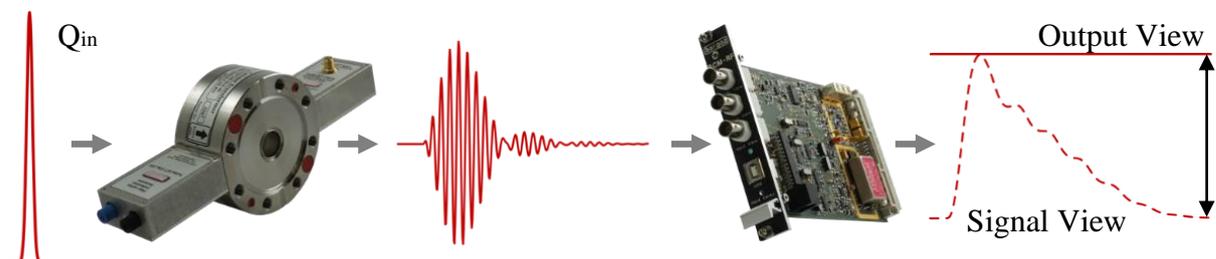
FEFA includes a narrow-band filter, usually centered around 180 MHz, and a first amplifier stage. FEFA is powered from the BCM-RF-E electronics via the coaxial interconnect cable. BCM-RF-E electronics processes the signal from the Turbo-ICT via the FEFA through a 500 MHz low-pass filter and a narrow-band filter centered around the same frequency as the FEFA is. This contributes to effective out-of-band signals and noise rejection. The receiver implements a logarithmic RF amplifier to achieve 90 dB input dynamic range and 10 MHz output bandwidth.

The BCM-RF-E allows two modes of operation:

- **Sample & Hold mode (S&H):** This mode is suitable for single bunch charge measurements. The BCM-RF-E output provides a DC voltage. It is sampled at the apex of the logarithmic amplifier and held up 100 ms or until the next bunch arrives. This mode can be used for pulse repetition rates up to 2 MHz.
- **Track-Continuous mode (T-C):** This mode is suitable for CW beam or long macropulse average current measurements. The BCM-RF-E output provides the logarithmic envelope of the Turbo-ICT signal in 10 MHz bandwidth. 10 MHz output bandwidth allows to observe beam current variations with 35 ns rise time (10%-90%) when BCM-RF-E is set to Track-Continuous mode.

Both modes are described in this manual.

The BCM-RF-E embeds a PIC microcontroller that can be used for BCM-RF-E configuration and data read-out. The communication is done via USB.



Determine in which operating mode BCM-RF-E is set

The BCM-RF-E operating mode can be selected by sending controls via USB, e.g. with the BCM-RF system Graphical User Interface (GUI). Details of the GUI and the USB communication are given later in this manual.

The BCM-RF-E microcontroller is factory-loaded with calibration constants corresponding to its associated Turbo-ICT and the operating mode -T-C or S&H- is preset according to the purchase order. The calibration constants (see section 'Sensitivity of the Turbo-ICT and BCM-RF-E' for details) can also be found in the Calibration Report provided with the Turbo-ICT and BCM-RF-E.

WARNING: Jumper configuration & PIC configuration

At the time of delivery, the BCM-RF-E is in the "Ex-factory" configuration. Jumpers and PIC microcontroller are configured according to the order. Do not change those settings until the BCM-RF system is familiar.

In-flange models

In-flange models are current transformers whose core(s) are embedded in a pair of flanges. Flanges can be Conflat, ISO, KF, Dependex, EVAC or specials with usual inner diameters. Turbo-ICT are UHV compatible down to 1e-9 mbar. Soap or alcohol cleaning before installation is however recommended; to reach pressure down to 1e-11 mbar, adequate pumping and cleaning, e.g. plasma, are required.

100°C (212°F) should never be exceeded at any time during bake out or operation unless it is made from a selection of higher temperature alloys and materials:

- Option BK150C allows bake out at 150°C (300°F)
- Option BK185C allows bake out at 185°C (365°F)

Turbo-ICT wall current break ("gap") is a ceramic ring (Al₂O₃ 99.7%) brazed onto two Kovar transition sleeves.

Standard models are made from AISI 304 steel, AISI 316LN is available on option.

In-flange Turbo-ICTs have the below syntax:

ICT	
-CFx"-	x" is the CF flanges OD [inch]
-xx.x-	xx.x is the sensor ID [mm]
-xx-	xx is the sensor axial length [mm]
-UHV-	UHV: Sensor UHV compatible with brazed ceramic wall current break;
	- As delivered down to 1e-9 mbar
	- After adequate cleaning down to 1e-11 mbar
-Turbo1	ICT with Turbo RF carrier, noise of 20 fC/pulse
Example: ICT-CF6"-60.4-40-UHV-Turbo1	
Options for In-flange FCT	
-Turbo2-	Replace Turbo1, noise of 10 fC/pulse
-CALFO-	Calibrated pulse generator (charge given in calibration report), FO triggered
-ARB#xxx-	In-flange FCT sensor with special arbitrary aperture
-316LN-	In-flange FCT sensor in AISI316LN instead of 304
-BK150C-	In-flange FCT sensor bakeable at 150°C (300°F)
-BK185C-	In-flange FCT sensor bakeable at 185°C (365°F)
-H	Radiation-tolerant sensor option, all components R.I.>6

In-Vacuum models

In-vacuum models are Turbo-ICT whose core(s) and FEFA electronics are embedded inside a stainless-steel box. This box is vacuum-insulated with viton gasket.

Turbo-ICT-VAC are made to be installed in vacuum enclosures. They are vacuum compatible down to 1e-7 mbar.

When an In-vacuum model is installed inside a vacuum enclosure, the cable going to the BCM-RF-E should go out via an isolated vacuum feedthrough (see page 46).

In-vacuum Turbo-ICTs have the below syntax:

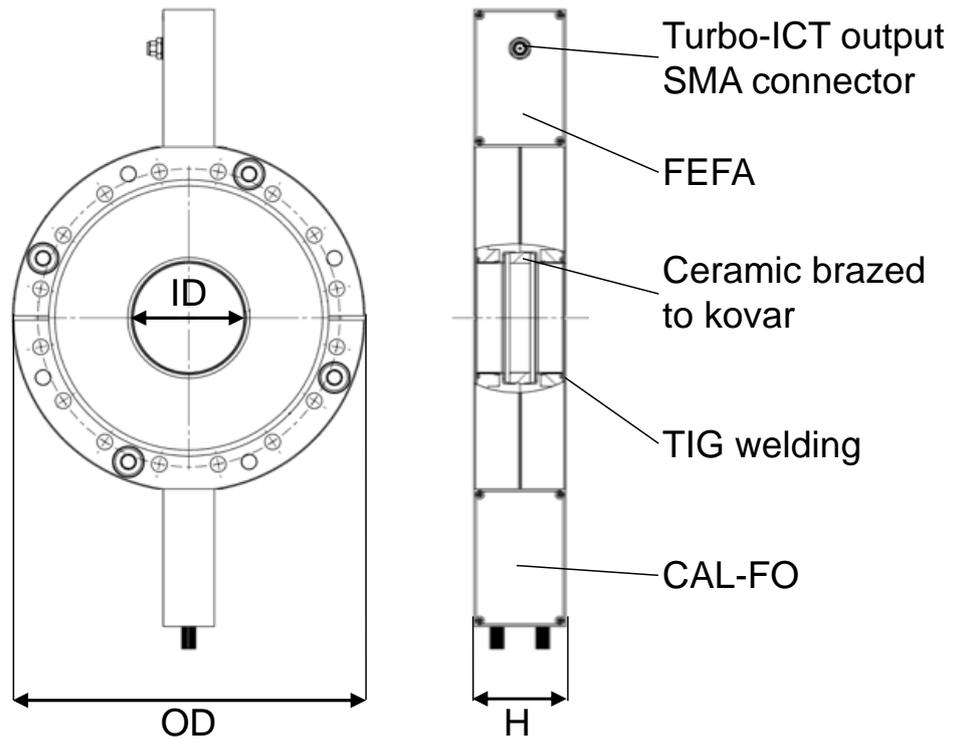
ICT	
-VAC-	In-vacuum ICT
-xxx-	xxx is the sensor aperture [mm]
-Turbo1	ICT with Turbo RF carrier, noise of 20 fC/pulse
Example: ICT-VAC-055-Turbo1	
Options for In-flange FCT	
-Turbo2-	Replace Turbo1, noise of 10 fC/pulse



In-vacuum Turbo-ICT

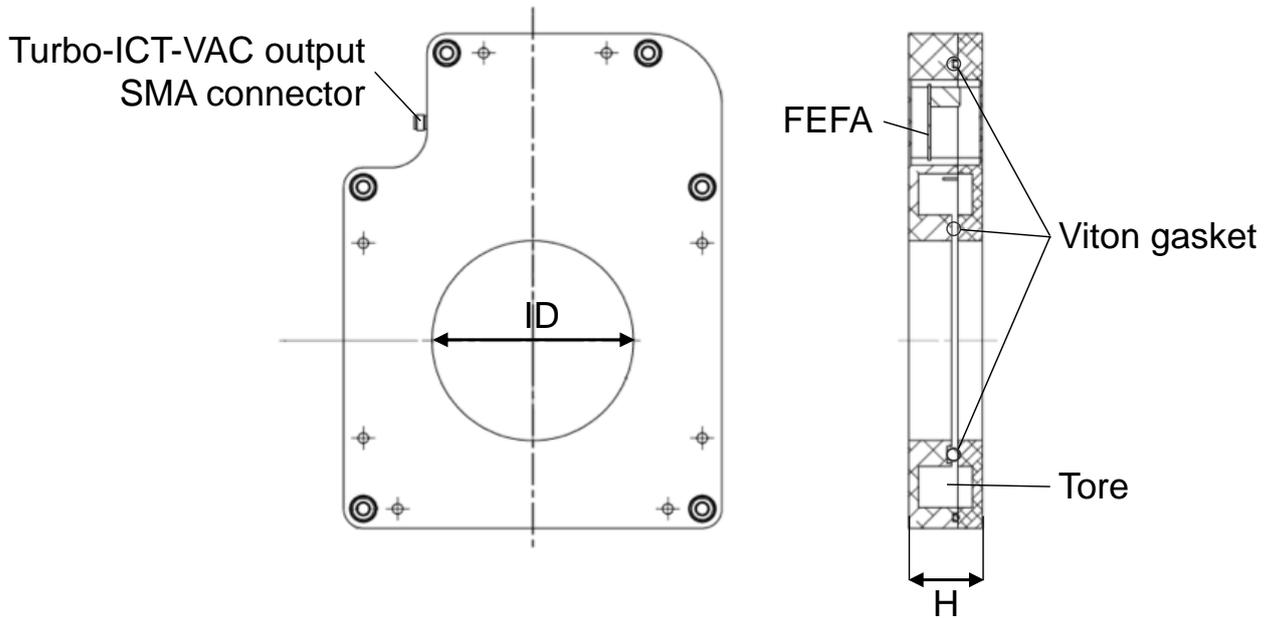
MECHANICAL DIMENSIONS AND DRAWINGS

In-flange models



In-flange Turbo-ICT sensor order code	Flange OD (inch)	Pipe OD (inch)	Mating flange	ID (mm)	H (mm)
ICT-CF3"3/8-22.2-40-UHV-Turbo1	3.375"	1"	DN/NW50CF	22.2	40
ICT-CF4"1/2-34.9-40-UHV-Turbo1	4.5"	1.5"	DN/NW63CF	34.9	40
ICT-CF4"1/2-38.0-40-UHV-Turbo1	4.5"	40 mm	DN/NW63CF	38.0	40
ICT-CF6"-47.7-40-UHV-Turbo1	6"	2"	DN/NW100CF	47.7	40
ICT-CF6"-60.4-40-UHV-Turbo1	6"	2.5"	DN/NW100CF	60.4	40
ICT-CF6"3/4-96.0-40-UHV-Turbo1	6.75"	4"	DN/NW130CF	96.0	40
or ICT-CF8"-96.0-40-UHV-Turbo1	8"		DN160/NW150CF		
ICT-CF10"-147.6-40-UHV-Turbo1	10"	6"	DN/NW200CF	147.6	40
ICT-CF12"-198.4-40-UHV-Turbo1	12"	8"	DN/NW250CF	198.4	40

In-vacuum models



In-vacuum Turbo-ICT sensor order code	Outer dimensions (mm)	ID (mm)	H (mm)
ICT-VAC-055-Turbo1	175 x 126	55.0	30
ICT-VAC-082-Turbo1	203 x 154	82.0	30

Drawings

Drawings in .pdf can be found on our website:
www.bergoz.com :: Turbo-ICT & BCM-RF :: Downloads :: Technical drawings
 Dimensions missing on the website can be obtained asking info@bergoz.com

BCM Chassis

The BCM-RFC/xx chassis is built on a 19" Schroff rackable RF chassis.

Bin dimensions: 3U x 84F

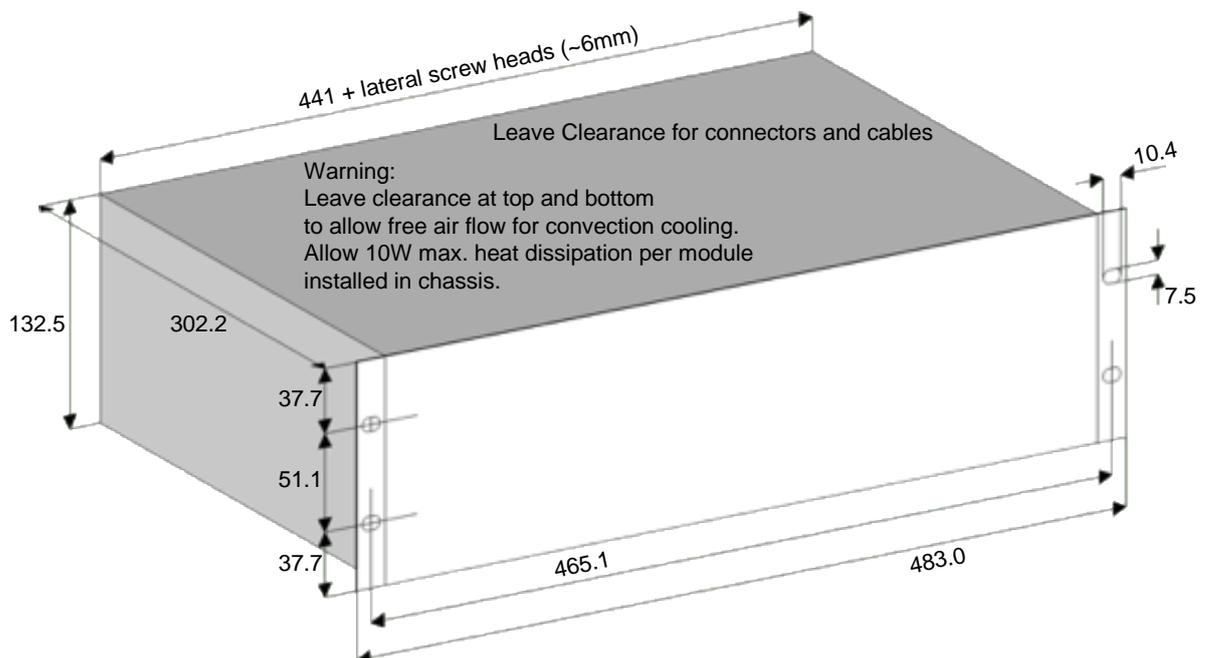
Schroff reference: Europac Lab HF/RF #20845-283

The BCM-RFC/xx can be wired with up to 16 BCM-E stations, xx being the number of wired stations (one BCM-RF-E module per station).

BCM-RFC/xx ordered with less than 16 stations are partially wired to allow future field-upgrades.

Unwired stations are masked with RF-shielded blank panels.

BCM-RFC/xx outer dimensions:



QUICK CHECK

Before installation in the accelerator, few tests should already be made in the workshop to get familiar with the product.

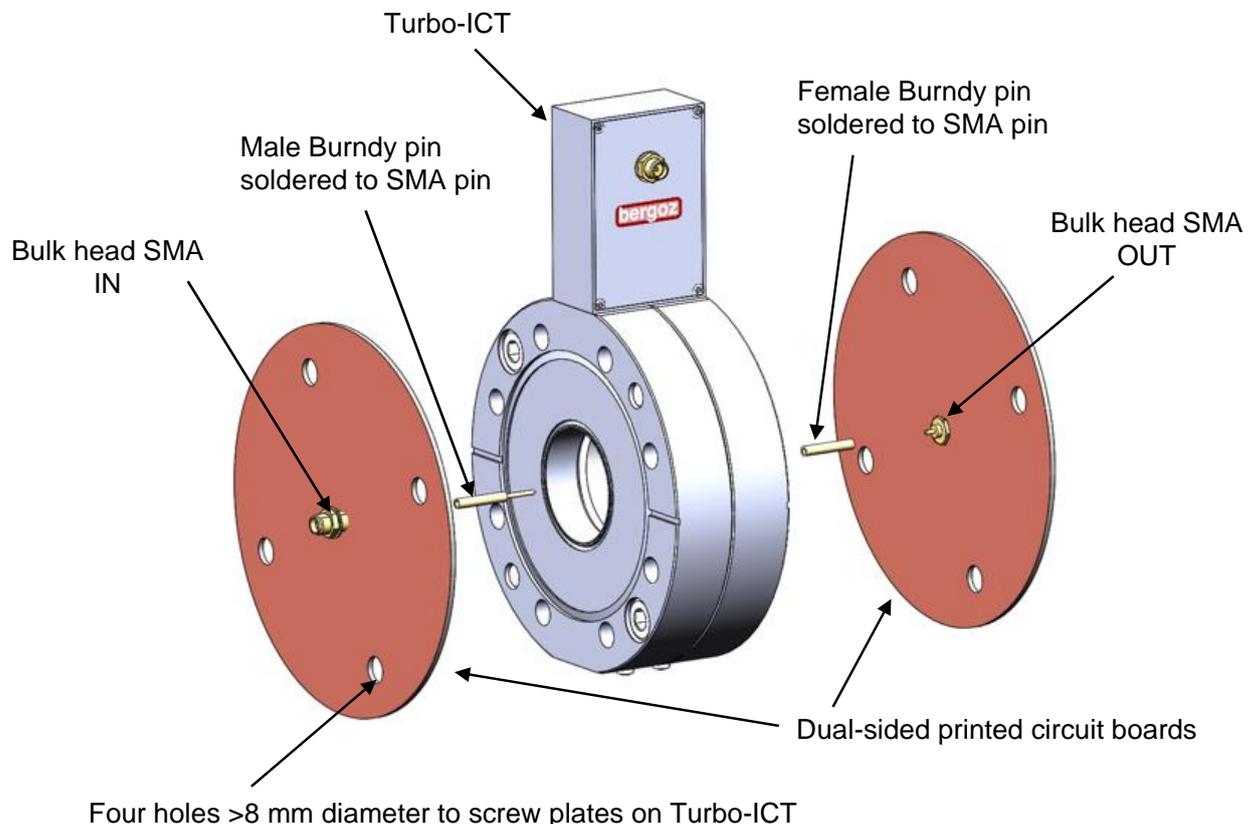
Depending on the signal generators at disposal: RF source and/or pulse generator, different quick check procedures can be executed:

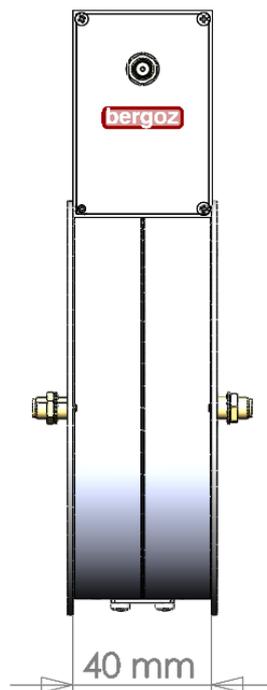
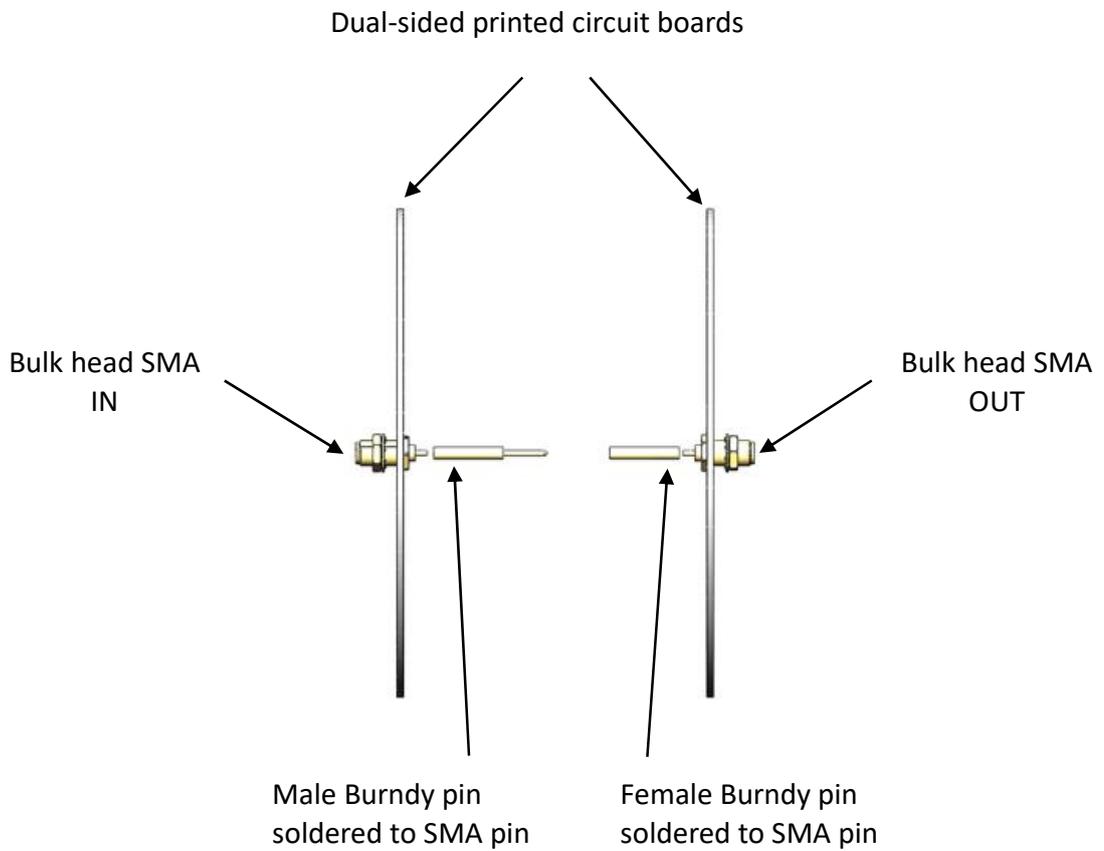
- Bunch charge measurement in S&H mode, using a fast pulse generator;
- CW beam current or long macropulse current measurement in T-C mode, using an RF signal generator;
- Calibrated pulse charge measurement in S&H mode, from the optional attached calibrated pulse generator. Option -CAL-FO is required.

Current Transformer Test Device

When performing measurements using a pulse generator or RF signal generator, as described in quick check setups 1 and 2, a test device is required to transmit the signal through the Turbo-ICT aperture. This test device is described hereafter. It is not required for quick check setup 3 when the attached calibrated pulse generator (option -CAL-FO) is used for generating the input signal.

Turbo-ICT test device description:





BCM-RF-E front panel description



Signal View:

Logarithmic envelope of the Turbo-ICT signal (50 Ω or 1 M Ω readout).

Output View:

Output voltage logarithmically proportional to the input charge (in S&H mode) or to the average input current (in T-C mode) (1 M Ω readout).

Hold View: (S&H mode only)

Rising edge indicates approximately the hold time, i.e. the time when the BCM-RF starts to hold the voltage of the logarithmic envelop (50 Ω readout).

Front panel LED:

Blinks in S&H mode when a trigger occurs. Permanently ON in T-C mode.

USB connector type B:

Data readout and remote control.

Hold Delay front panel trimmer:

Used to fine adjust the hold time when the PIC microcontroller is **not** installed. When the PIC is installed, the hold delay is adjusted by a Vernier controlled via USB.

BCM-RFC rear panel description



Remote control:

DB9 – pin 6: ADC TTL trigger output, i.e. trigger signal output to synchronize the user's ADC with the BCM-RF-E timing.

The other DB9 pins are not connected.

BCM Input:

SMA-jack: Input into BCM-RF-E by the interconnect coaxial cable from the Turbo-ICT FEFA output SMA.

BCM Output:

SMA jack: Output voltage logarithmically proportional to the input charge (in S&H mode) or to the average input current (in T-C mode) (1 M Ω readout).

Trigger in: (S&H mode only)

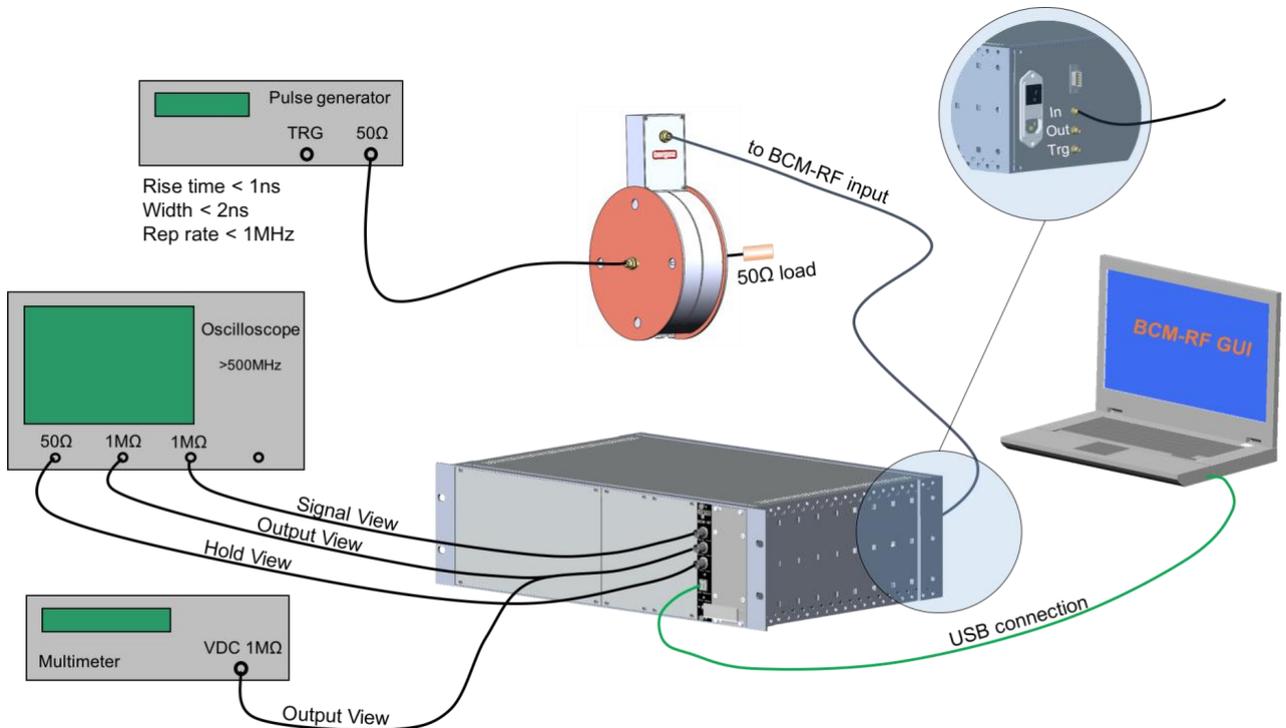
SMA jack: External trigger input. It is terminated in 50 Ω inside BCM-RF-E.

Setup 1: Charge measurement, Sample & Hold mode (S&H)

What is needed:

- Turbo-ICT
- Current Transformer test device (see page 12 for description)
- BCM-RF-E electronics module
- BCM-RFC/xx chassis
- Turbo-ICT to BCM-RFC/xx coaxial interconnect cable
- Fast pulse generator: <math>< 500\text{ ps fwhm}</math>,
$\sim 5\text{ V peak}$ (use attenuators if necessary),
<math>< 1\text{ MHz}</math> repetition rate or externally triggered,
The pulse polarity is not relevant.
- 4-channel oscilloscope with 500 MHz bandwidth or higher
- Voltmeter
- Short (1–2 m) coaxial cables and SMA-BNC adapters
- BNC T-adaptor
- 50 Ω load

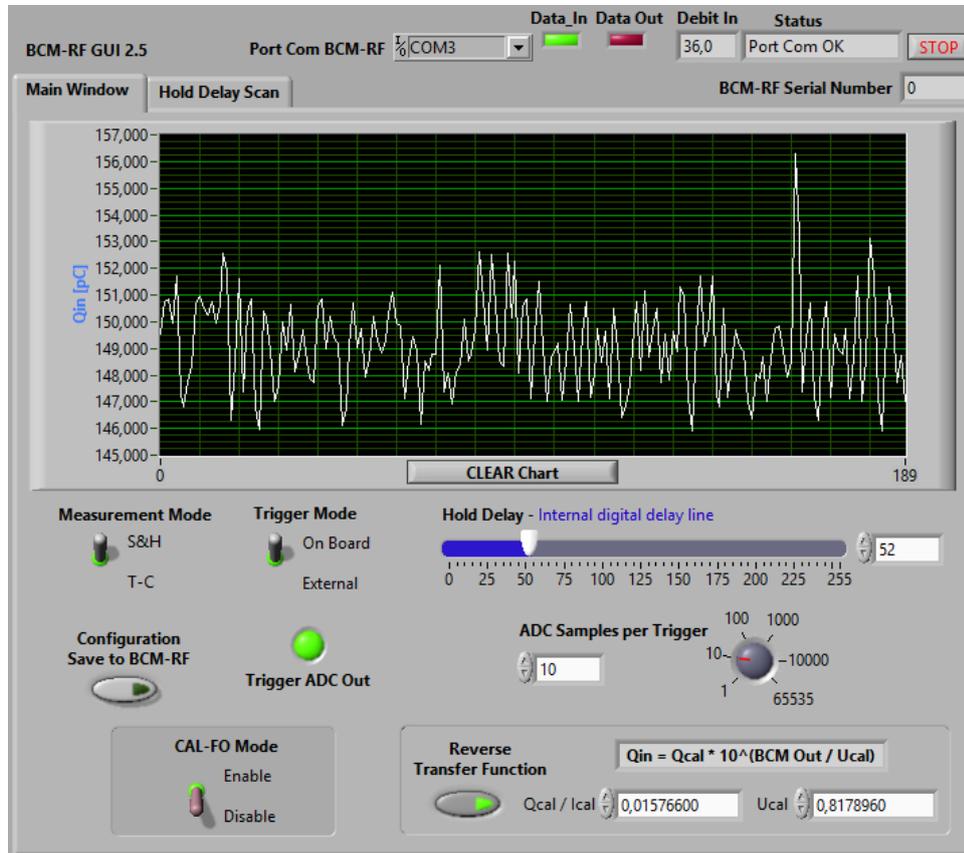
Setup



Steps

- 1) At time of initial shipment, the AC mains voltage is set according to the country of destination. A label on the power supply units shows the AC voltage it is set up to. Check that it corresponds to the local AC mains voltage. Turn OFF the chassis power switch and connect the AC mains to the chassis.
- 2) Mount the Current Transformer test device onto the Turbo-ICT.
- 3) Connect the Turbo-ICT FEFA output to the BCM-RFC/xx input on the chassis rear panel using the coaxial interconnect cable. **WARNING:** when the chassis is powered, +15 Vdc is present on the BCM-RFC/xx input SMA to feed the Turbo-ICT FEFA.
- 4) Connect the pulse generator output to the Current Transformer test device input.
- 5) Connect the 50 Ω load to the Current Transformer test device output.
- 6) Connect the BCM-RF-E Output View (front panel) to the voltmeter 1 M Ω input and to an oscilloscope 1 M Ω input, using the BNC T-adapter.
- 7) Connect the BCM-RF-E Signal View (front panel) to another oscilloscope 1 M Ω input.
- 8) Connect the BCM-RF-E Hold View (front panel) to the oscilloscope 50 Ω input.
- 9) Connect the BCM-RF-E USB connector to a PC on which the BCM-RF system Graphical User Interface has been installed (See the Graphical User Interface section page 29 for details about the installation and the determination of the COM port to be used).
- 10) Turn ON the BCM-RFC/xx chassis power switch.
- 11) Select the COM port to which the BCM-RF-E is connected, start the BCM-RF system GUI and set the following parameters:
- 12) Sample and Hold mode (S&H)

13) On Board trigger mode



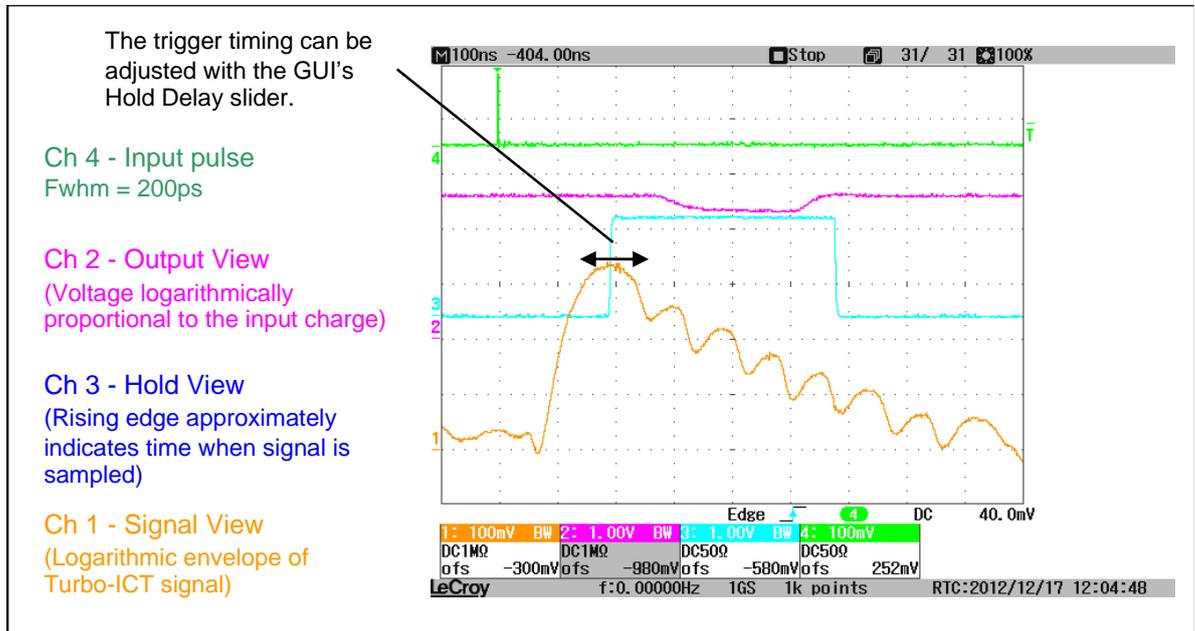
14) Turn ON the pulse generator.

The data acquisition will start automatically. The BCM-RF-E output voltage to USB is displayed on the GUI's graph. The corresponding input charge can be displayed by clicking on the Reverse Transfer Function button, provided that the PIC microcontroller was factory-loaded with the calibration constants of the Turbo-ICT being used (see the Sensitivity of Turbo-ICT & BCM-RF-E section for details).

The BCM-RF-E output voltage displayed on the GUI's graph can be compared to the voltage measured by the voltmeter connected to the BCM-RF-E front panel BNC connector Output View.

Note: The BCM-RF-E output voltage is held constant for up to 100 ms after the pulse. If the pulse repetition rate is <10 Hz, the voltmeter must be triggered, e.g. using the BCM-RF-E ADC TRG Out, pin 6 of the rear panel DB9. Its acquisition must occur during the 100 ms following the trigger.

15) Observe the waveforms on the oscilloscope.



Channel 4 (green) shows the short input pulse which goes through the Turbo-ICT aperture.

Channel 2 (magenta) shows the BCM-RF-E Output. This voltage is held constant for up to 100 ms after the pulse.

Channel 3 (cyan) shows the BCM-RF-E Hold View. The rising edge of this signal approximately indicates the time when the signal is sampled.

Channel 1 (orange) shows the BCM-RF-E Signal View. This signal is the logarithmic envelope of the signal coming from the Turbo-ICT FEFA output.

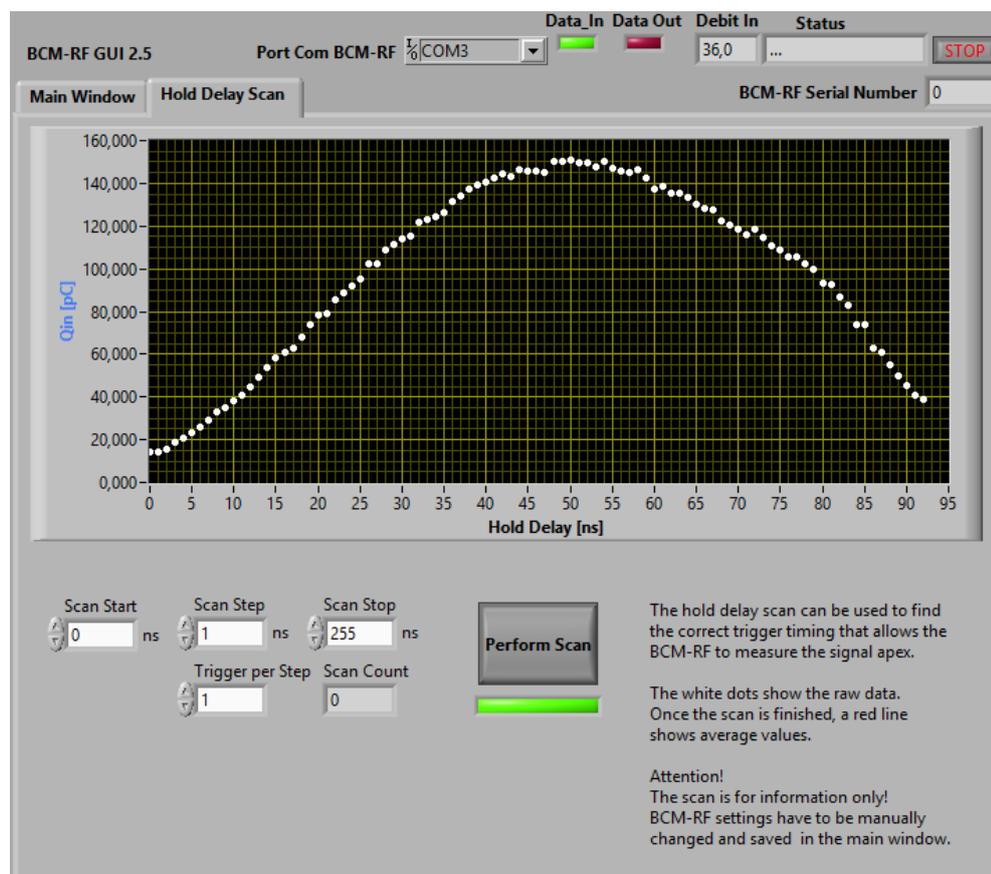
16) Trigger timing adjustment.

The BCM-RF-E Signal View shows the logarithmic envelope of the signal coming from the Turbo-ICT FEFA output. Its apex is proportional to the input pulse charge logarithm. The BCM-RF-E Hold View output shows the trigger timing. Its rising edge indicates approximately the time when the output signal is sampled.

To make a correct measurement of the input pulse charge, the trigger timing must be adjusted so that the trigger rising edge coincides with the Signal View apex.

Two methods can be used to properly adjust the hold time:

1. Measure the BCM-RF-E output voltage on the voltmeter and fine adjust the GUI's Hold Delay slider until the maximum voltage reading occurs. To make sure that the apex is closed, it is recommended to visualize Signal View and Hold View waveforms on the oscilloscope while performing the Hold Delay adjustment.
2. Use the GUI's Hold Delay Scan utility. Perform a Hold Delay scan and note the Hold Delay value corresponding to the output voltage apex. Then return this value to the Hold Delay slider of the GUI's main window.

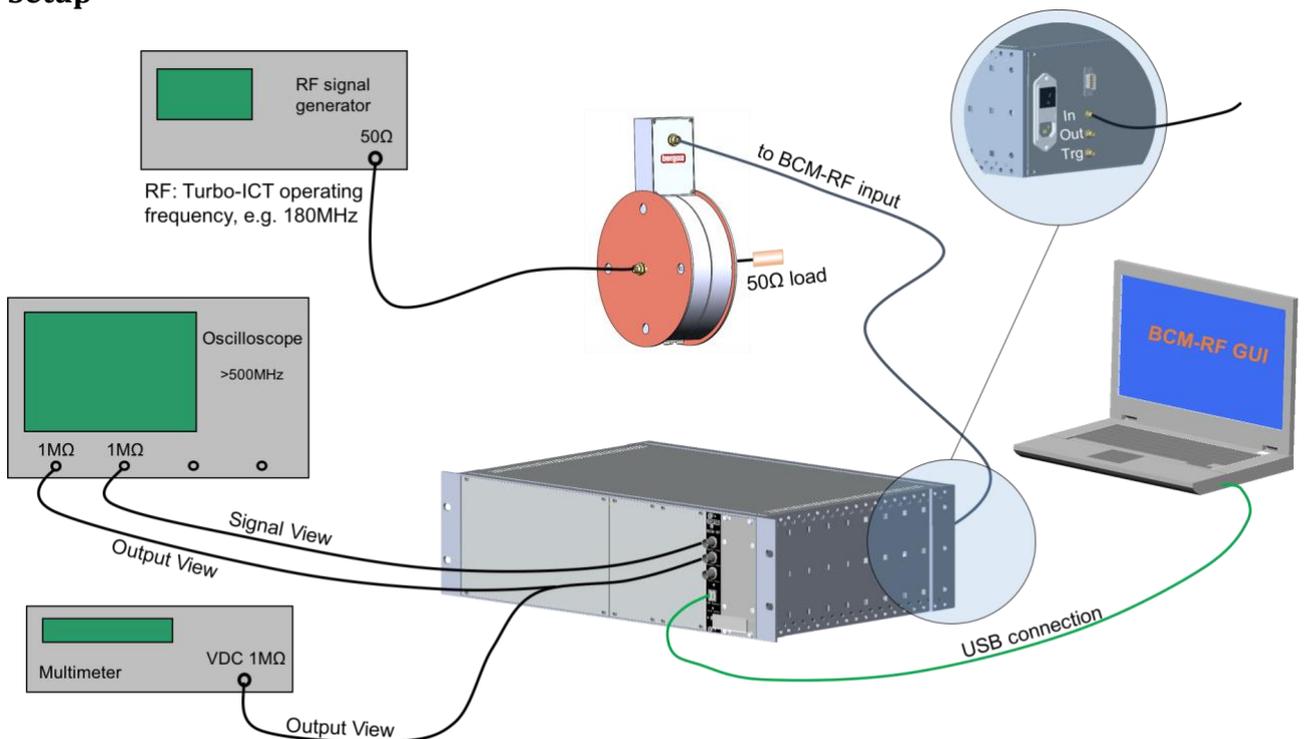


Setup 2: Current measurements, Track Continuous mode (T-C)

What is needed:

- Turbo-ICT
- Current Transformer test device (see page 12 for description)
- BCM-RF-E electronics module
- BCM-RFC/xx chassis
- Turbo-ICT to BCM-RFC/xx coaxial interconnect cable
- RF signal generator
- 4-channel oscilloscope with 500 MHz bandwidth or higher
- Voltmeter
- Short (1–2 m) coaxial cables and SMA-BNC adapters.
- BNC T-adapter
- 50 Ω load

Setup



Steps

- 1) At time of initial shipment, the AC mains voltage is set according to the country of destination. A label on the power supply units shows the AC voltage it is set up to. Check that it corresponds to the local AC mains voltage. Turn OFF the chassis power switch and connect the AC mains to the chassis.
- 2) Mount the Current Transformer test device onto the Turbo-ICT.

- 3) Connect the Turbo-ICT FEFA output to the BCM-RFC/xx input on the chassis rear panel using the coaxial interconnect cable. **WARNING:** +15 Vdc is present on the BCM-RFC/xx input connector to feed the Turbo-ICT FEFA when the chassis is powered.
- 4) Connect the RF signal generator output to the Current Transformer test device input.
- 5) Connect a 50 Ω load to the Current Transformer test device output.
- 6) Connect the BCM-RF-E Output View (front panel) to the voltmeter (1 M Ω input) and to the oscilloscope (1 M Ω input).
- 7) Connect the BCM-RF-E Signal View (front panel) to the oscilloscope (1 M Ω input).
- 8) Connect the BCM-RF-E USB connector to a PC on which the BCM-RF system Graphical User Interface has been installed (See the Graphical User Interface section page 29 for details about the installation and the determination of the COM port to be used).
- 9) Turn ON the BCM-RFC/xx chassis power switch.
- 10) Select the COM port to which the BCM-RF-E is connected, start the BCM-RF system GUI and set the following parameters:
 - Track Continuous mode (T-C)
(Trigger Mode and Hold Delay slider are not used)



- 11) Turn ON the RF signal generator:
 - Set RF to the Turbo-ICT & BCM-RF-E operating frequency, e.g. 180 MHz
 - Amplitude: -20 dBm

The data acquisition starts automatically. The BCM-RF-E output voltage is displayed on the GUI's graph. The corresponding input current can be displayed by clicking on the Reverse Transfer Function button, provided that the PIC microcontroller was factory-loaded with the calibration constants of the Turbo-ICT being used (see the Sensitivity of Turbo-ICT & BCM-RF-E section for details).

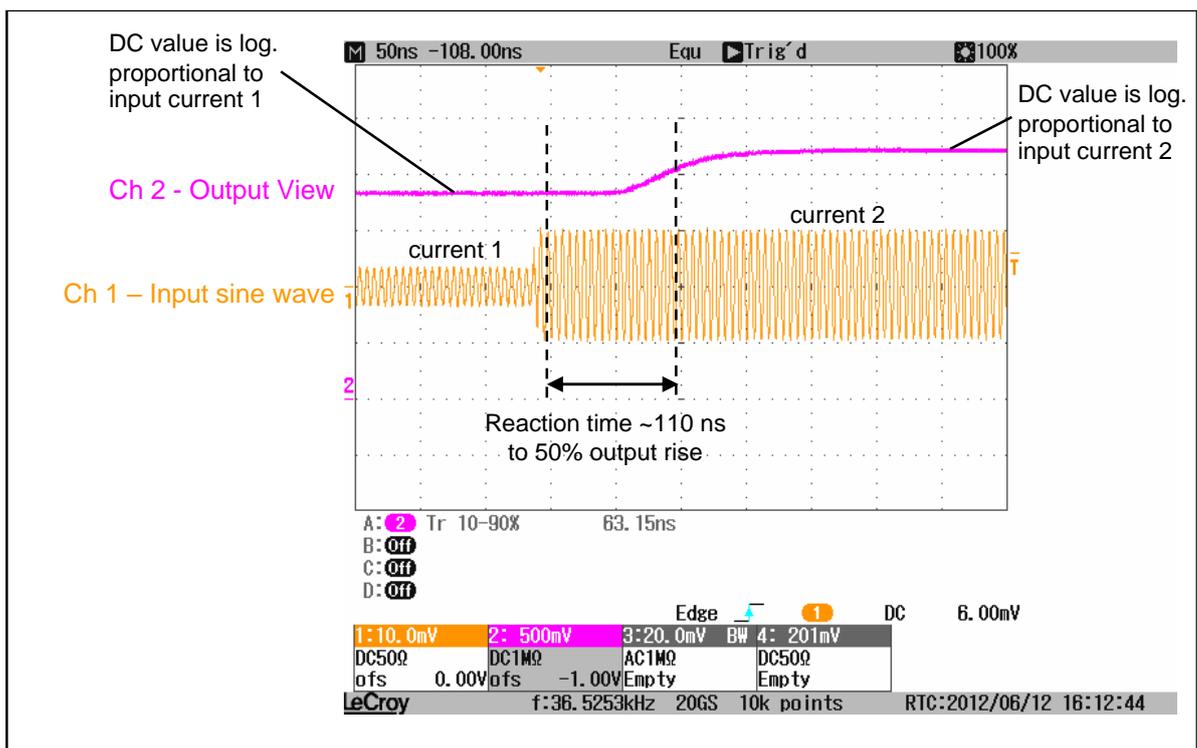
The BCM-RF-E output voltage displayed on the GUI's graph can be compared to the voltage measured by the voltmeter connected to the BCM-RF-E front panel output.

- 12) Change the amplitude of the RF signal generator sinewave and compare the BCM-RF-E output voltages measured by the GUI and by the voltmeter.
- 13) Waveform and reaction time.

Observe on the oscilloscope the input sine waveform provided by the RF signal generator and the Output View signal from the BCM-RF-E front panel.

The Output View signal is proportional to the logarithm of the current provided by the RF signal generator.

BCM-RF-E reaction time can be observed by creating a quick, i.e. <10 ns, step in the sine amplitude. The reaction time is the time span from the input amplitude change until the output value rises by 50%. It is about 110 ns.

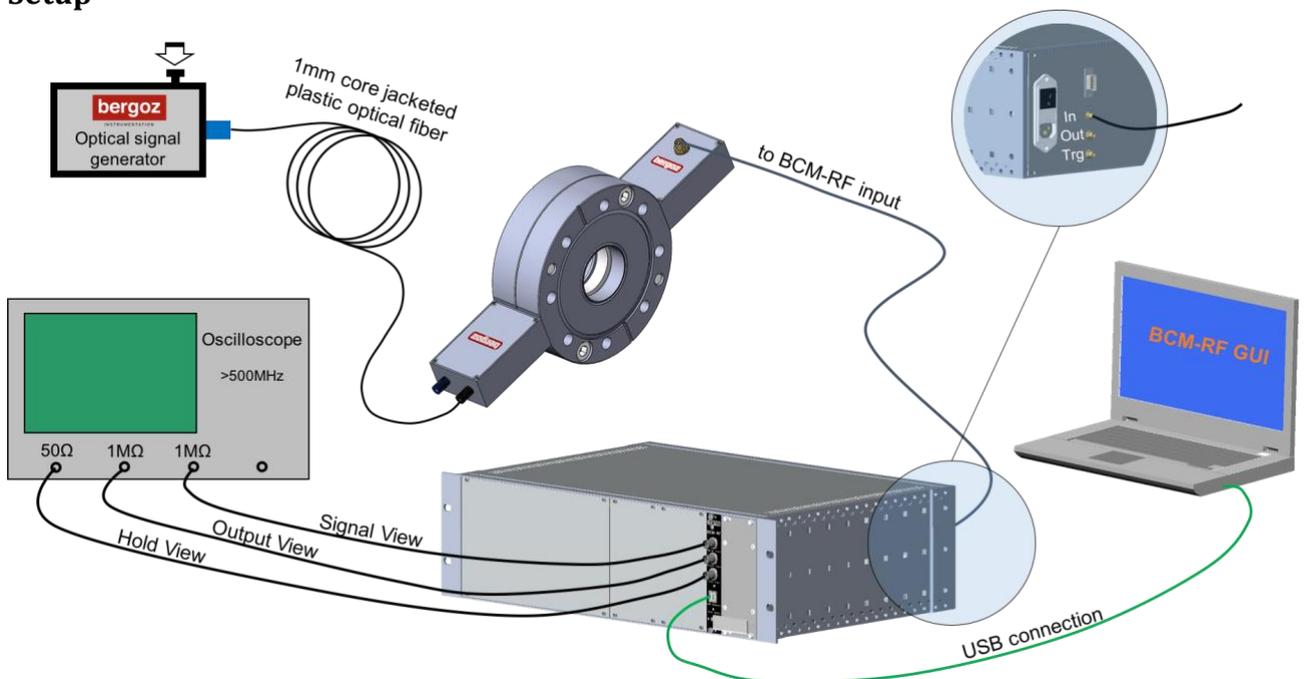


Setup 3: Charge measurements using the embedded calibrated generator (-CAL-FO option), Sample & Hold mode (S&H)

What is needed:

- Turbo-ICT with -CAL-FO option
- Optical signal generator module (provided by Bergoz Instrumentation with -CAL-FO option to perform tests at reception)
- BCM-RF-E electronics module
- BCM-RFC/xx chassis
- Turbo-ICT to BCM-RFC/xx coaxial interconnect cable
- 4-channel oscilloscope with 500 MHz bandwidth or higher
- Short (1–2 m) coaxial cables and SMA-BNC adapters.

Setup



Steps

- 1) At time of initial shipment, the AC mains voltage is set according to the country of destination. A label on the power supply units shows the AC voltage it is set up to. Check that it corresponds to the local AC mains voltage. Turn OFF the chassis power switch and connect the AC mains to the chassis.
- 2) Connect the Optical Signal Generator to the CAL-FO input (black) with a 1 mm core jacketed plastic optical fiber.
- 3) Connect the Turbo-ICT FEFA output to the BCM-RF-E input (on the BCM-RFC/xx chassis rear panel) using the coaxial interconnect cable. WARNING: +15 Vdc is present on the BCM-RF-E input SMA connector to feed the Turbo-ICT FEFA when the BCM-RF-E is powered.

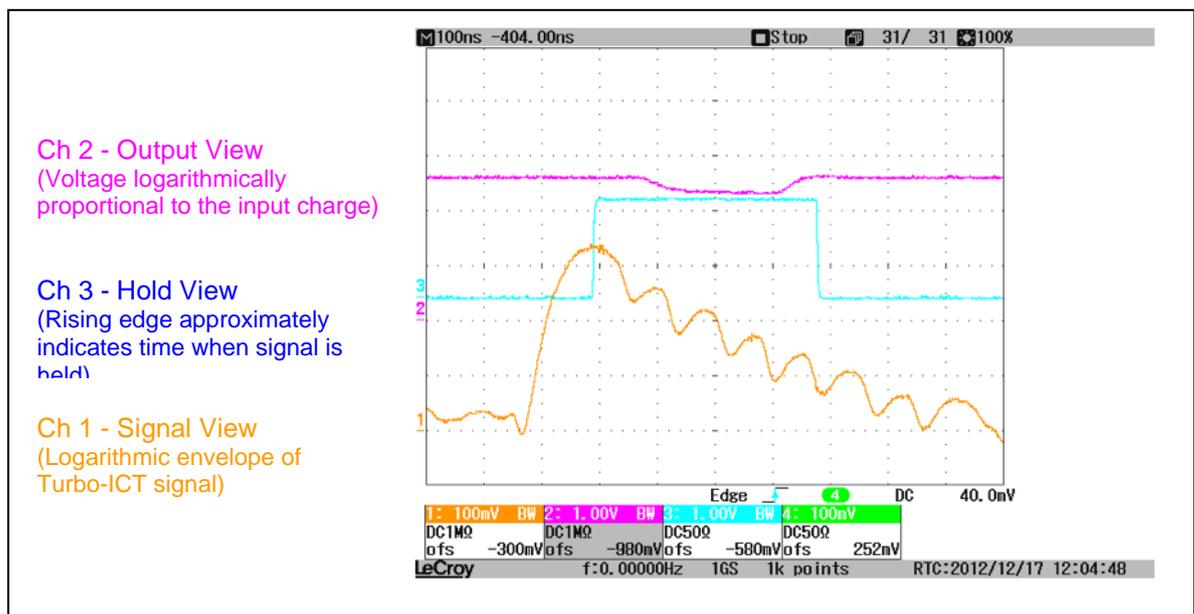
- 4) Connect the BCM-RF-E Output View (front panel) to the oscilloscope (1 M Ω input).
- 5) Connect the BCM-RF-E Signal View (front panel) to the oscilloscope (1 M Ω input).
- 6) Connect the BCM-RF-E Hold View (front panel) to the oscilloscope (50 Ω input).
- 7) Connect the BCM-RF-E USB connector to a PC on which the BCM-RF system Graphical User Interface has been installed (See the Graphical User Interface section page 29 for details about the installation and the determination of the COM port to be used).
- 8) Select the COM port to which the BCM-RF-E is connected, start the BCM-RF system GUI and set the following parameters:
 - CAL-FO Mode enable
(Measurement Mode, Trigger Mode and Hold Delay become inactive)



When CAL-FO Mode is enabled, the BCM-RF-E operates in Sample & Hold mode and uses the On-board trigger. The BCM-RF system GUI thus automatically triggers after a pulse occurred at the Turbo-ICT input.

The Hold Delay value for a pulse generated by the CAL-FO pulse generator is factory-measured and saved in the PIC microcontroller. When CAL-FO Mode is enabled, this Hold Delay value is automatically loaded. The Hold Delay may need to be adjusted and saved to the BCM-RF-E if the cable connecting Turbo-ICT and BCM-RF-E changes.

- 9) Press the push-button on the Bergoz Optical Signal Generator to trigger the CAL-FO. A pulse of fixed parameters will be injected into the Turbo-ICT sensor. The GUI triggers and displays on its graph the corresponding BCM-RF-E output voltage. The related input charge can be displayed by clicking on the Reverse Transfer Function button, provided that the PIC microcontroller was factory-loaded with the calibration constants of the Turbo-ICT being used (see the Sensitivity of Turbo-ICT & BCM-RF-E section for details).
- 10) Observe the waveforms on the oscilloscope.



Channel 2 (magenta) shows the BCM-RF-E Output. This voltage is held constant for up to 100 ms after the pulse.

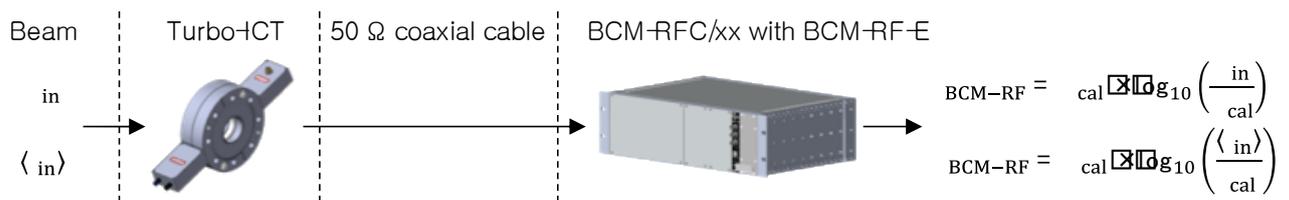
Channel 3 (cyan) shows the BCM-RF-E Hold View. The rising edge of this signal approximately indicates the time when the signal is sampled.

Channel 1 (orange) shows the BCM-RF-E Signal View. This signal is the logarithmic envelope of the signal coming from the Turbo-ICT FEFA output. The BCM-RF-E Signal View output gives the logarithmic envelope of the signal coming from the Turbo-ICT FEFA output. Its apex is proportional to the logarithm of the input pulse charge. The BCM-RF-E Hold View output shows the trigger timing. Its rising edge indicates approximately the time when the output signal is sampled.

To make a correct measurement of the input pulse charge, the trigger timing must be adjusted so that the rising edge of the trigger signal coincides with the Signal View apex. When CAL-FO Mode is enabled, the correct hold delay value is automatically loaded, which was factory-saved in the microcontroller. The near coincidence of the Hold View signal rising edge and the Signal View apex can be observed on the oscilloscope.

SENSITIVITY OF THE TURBO-ICT AND BCM-RF-E

In Sample-and-Hold Mode (S&H mode) the BCM-RF-E measures charges of individual particle bunches. Its output signal is a voltage logarithmically proportional to the input bunch charge. In Track-Continuous Mode (T-C mode) the BCM-RF-E measures the average current of the particle beam. Its output signal is a voltage logarithmically proportional to the average input current.



The sensitivity is defined as the reverse transfer function of the complete signal chain consisting of the Turbo-ICT, the interconnect cable and the BCM-RF-E.

The sensitivity of a given combination of Turbo-ICT, interconnect cable and BCM-RF-E is provided in the Calibration Report. Each combination has its own sensitivity. Consequently, the sensitivity must be re-measured or re-calculated every time an item is changed.

Reverse transfer function (sensitivity):

$$Q_{in} = Q_{cal} \times 10^{\left(\frac{U_{BCM-RF}}{U_{cal}} \right)} \text{ (S\&H mode)}$$

$$I_{in} = I_{cal} \times 10^{\left(\frac{U_{BCM-RF}}{U_{cal}} \right)} \text{ (T - C mode)}$$

The calibration constants U_{cal} , I_{cal} and Q_{cal} are factory-measured and provided in the Calibration Report. They are also saved in the BCM-RF-E PIC microcontroller. U_{cal} is measured in Volts, I_{cal} is measured in micro-Amperes and Q_{cal} is measured in pico-Coulombs.

During calibration, the attenuation of the coaxial interconnect cable between Turbo-ICT and BCM-RF-E is taken into account. If a different cable is used in the accelerator compared to the one used during the calibration, corrections to the sensitivity have to be applied by the user.

The real cable attenuation can be obtained, for example, by network analyzer measurements of the transmission coefficient at the operating frequency. The full signal attenuation from the Turbo-ICT output connector to the BCM-RF-E input connector must be taken into account.

The cable attenuation only affects Q_{cal} and I_{cal} . Hence, the correction is just an additional factor applied to the reverse transfer function:

$$Q_{in} = Q_{cal} \times \frac{\text{Real Cable Att.}}{\text{Cable Att. used for calibration}} \times 10^{\left(\frac{U_{BCM-RF}}{U_{cal}}\right)} \text{ (S\&H mode)}$$

$$I_{in} = I_{cal} \times \frac{\text{Real Cable Att.}}{\text{Cable Att. used for calibration}} \times 10^{\left(\frac{U_{BCM-RF}}{U_{cal}}\right)} \text{ (T - C mode)}$$

As long as the applied correction remains small, overall performance will not be affected. But in case of larger corrections, noise floor and saturation point might shift. Non-linearities might change as well. In such a case, Bergoz Instrumentation can provide further advice.

TEMPERATURE DEPENDENCE OF THE TURBO-ICT AND BCM-RF-E

The signals delivered by the Turbo-ICT and the BCM-RF-E depend weakly on temperature. The corresponding temperature coefficients are factory-measured and provided on the sheet "Temperature Dependence" delivered with the product.

The necessary corrections can be applied to the measured voltage:

$$U_{BCM-RF,corr} = U_{BCM-RF,meas} - c_{BCM-RF}^U (T_{BCM-RF} - T_{Cal}) - c_{Turbo-ICT}^U (T_{Turbo-ICT} - T_{Cal})$$

The corrected voltage is then used to determine the charge.

Or the uncorrected voltage is used to determine the charge. And the corrections are applied to this charge:

$$\Rightarrow Q_{corr} \approx Q_{meas} \times \left(1 - c_{BCM-RF}^Q (T_{BCM-RF} - T_{Cal})\right) \times \left(1 - c_{Turbo-ICT}^Q (T_{Turbo-ICT} - T_{Cal})\right)$$

c_{BCM-RF}^U	=	Temperature coefficient of the output voltage with respect to changes of the BCM-RF-E temperature
$c_{Turbo-ICT}^U$	=	Temperature coefficient of the output voltage with respect to changes of the Turbo-ICT temperature
c_{BCM-RF}^Q	=	Temperature coefficient of the measured charge with respect to changes of the BCM-RF-E temperature
$c_{Turbo-ICT}^Q$	=	Temperature coefficient of the measured charge with respect to changes of the Turbo-ICT temperature
T_{BCM-RF}	=	Ambient temperature outside the BCM-RFC/xx chassis
$T_{Turbo-ICT}$	=	Ambient temperature at the Turbo-ICT location
T_{Cal}	=	Ambient temperature during BCM-RF-E and Turbo-ICT calibration

GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE

Bergoz Instrumentation provides a GUI to communicate with the BCM-RF-E via USB. It allows to control the BCM-RF-E operating modes and settings, and to acquire the BCM-RF-E output signal.

This software was developed with LabVIEW 2014. It is provided as an executable file. The .vi file can be obtained upon request.

Operating systems supported:

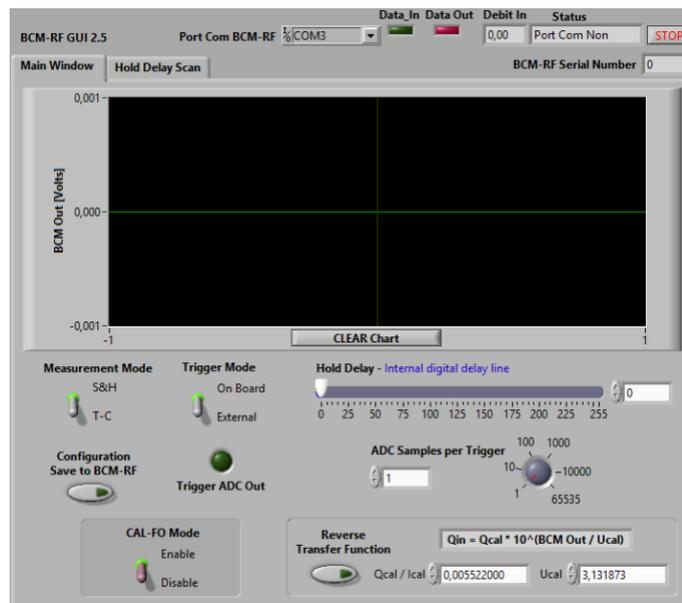
Any operating system that can run LabVIEW 2014 or the corresponding run time environment and the NI-VISA driver package, e.g. Windows XP, Vista, 7, 8, 10.

The installer package of the BCM-RF system GUI contains the LabVIEW run time environment and the VISA drivers. They can also be obtained from the National Instruments web site.

The Microchip USB CDC serial driver might be required on Windows systems to communicate with the BCM-RF-E. This driver is part of the Microchip Libraries for Applications (USB). It is also provided with the BCM-RF-E or can be obtained from Bergoz Instrumentation upon request.

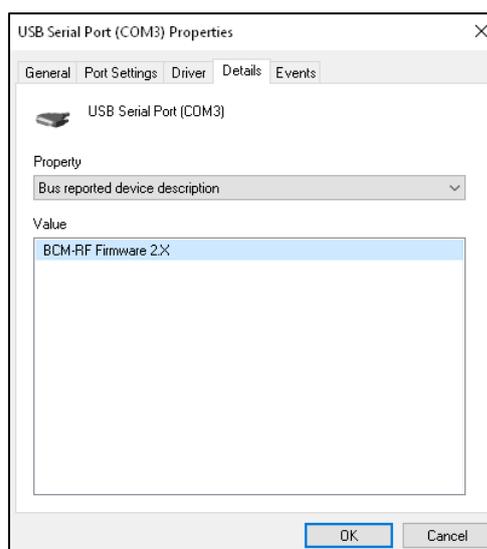
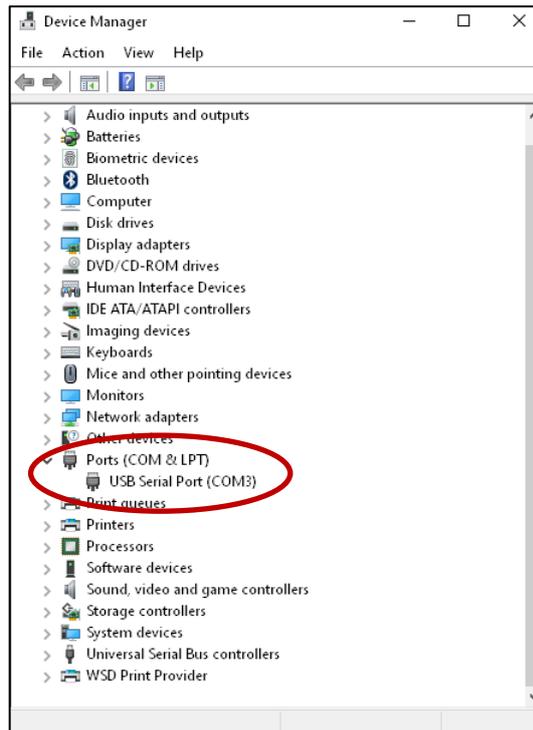
Installation

- 1) A USB stick is attached to the last page of this manual. Open the folder containing the BCM-RF system GUI Installer.
- 2) Run the Setup executable file and proceed with the installation.
- 3) The BCM-RF system GUI application (.exe) is installed at the location specified during installation. If necessary, also the LabVIEW 2014 run-time environment and the NI VISA drivers are installed.
- 4) The Microchip USB CDC serial driver is provided on the USB stick in a compressed ZIP archive. Un-compress this archive. A folder will be created containing the files necessary for driver installation.
- 5) Right-click on the file "mchpcdc.inf" and choose "Install".



BCM-RF-E communication

- 1) Connect the USB cable from the BCM-RF-E to the PC.
- 2) Windows automatically recognizes the device and loads the USB CDC serial driver.
- 3) In the device manager, look for the serial COM port number associated to the BCM-RF-E.



- 4) Choose the COM port to be used in the GUI front panel.
- 5) Run the GUI, communication with BCM-RF-E USB port starts.

GUI user guide

Two windows are selectable on the GUI front panel:

- 1) Main Window
- 2) Hold Delay Scan

1) Main Window

The Main Window is where all BCM-RF-E controls can be found. In the upper part is a graph displaying the BCM-RF-E output voltage. This voltage can be converted into input charge or input current when the Reverse Transfer Function is activated.

Measurement Mode:

- S&H: Sample and Hold mode measures the bunch charge. It works with single bunches up to 2 MHz repetition rate. This mode needs a trigger, either on-board or external.
- T-C: Track Continuous mode measures the average beam current with a 10 MHz bandwidth, i.e., with 35 ns risetime / falltime to beam current change. This mode is a free running process and does not use any trigger.

Trigger Mode:

- On-board: The BCM-RF-E embeds an on-board trigger synchronized to the incoming Turbo-ICT signal.
- External: The BCM-RF-E can be triggered by an external TTL rising edge. The "Trigger in" SMA connector is located on the BCM-RFC/xx chassis rear panel.

Trigger ADC Out:

This indicator blinks when a new signal arrives. It is only available in S&H mode.

Hold Delay:

The Hold Delay sets the BCM-RF-E trigger timing. The trigger rising edge must coincide with the apex of the input signal's logarithmic envelope. The Hold Delay needs to be precisely adjusted each time the setup is modified.

The Hold Delay value is adjustable from 0 to 255 ns in steps of 1 ns.

CAL-FO Mode:

CAL-FO Mode is a preset mode intended to be used with the embedded calibrated pulse generator (-CAL-FO option). When enabled, the GUI's controls are set in a particular configuration:

- Measurement Mode: S&H
- Trigger Mode: On Board
- Hold Delay: Ex-factory, hold delay value used for the CAL-FO calibration measurements.

In some cases, may need to be adjusted to properly trigger on the resonance apex. "Hold Delay", "ADC Samples per Trigger", "Reverse Transfer Function", "Configuration Save to BCM-RF-E" and the "Hold Delay Scan" remain accessible in CAL-FO mode.

ADC Samples per Trigger:

Defines the number of samples taken by the ADC per trigger (from 1 to 65535) for averaging.

Reverse Transfer Function:

When the GUI is set to S&H measurement mode, the Reverse Transfer Function calculates the input bunch charge from the BCM-RF-E output voltage based on the calibration constants U_{cal} and Q_{cal} . The graph then displays the input charge in pico-Coulombs.

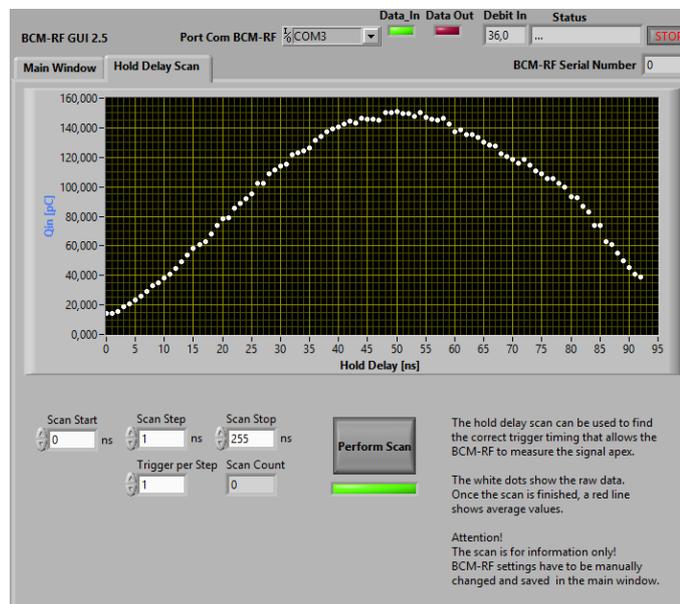
When the GUI is set to T-C measurement mode, the Reverse Transfer Function calculates the average input current from the BCM-RF-E output voltage based on the calibration constants U_{cal} and I_{cal} . The graph then displays the average input current in micro-Amperes.

Configuration Save to BCM-RF-E:

Stores the current BCM-RF-E settings in the BCM-RF-E microcontroller EPROM.

2) Hold Delay Scan

The Hold Delay Scan window allows to perform a Hold Delay scan and determines the Hold Delay value corresponding to the output voltage apex. Once the scan has finished, this value needs to be transferred manually to the Hold Delay slider on the GUI's Main Window. Scan Start, Scan Stop, Scan Step and number of Trigger per Step are adjustable.



BCM-RF-E FIRMWARE

The BCM-RF-E embeds a PIC18F2458 microcontroller from Microchip Technology Inc. This microcontroller includes a 12bit ADC and allows USB communication.

The BCM-RF-E firmware is written in C using the MPLAB 8.9 IDE and the MPLAB C18 compiler, both available from the Microchip website: www.microchip.com.

The firmware code can be obtained from Bergoz Instrumentation upon request. Users can freely modify the code to fit at best their own application.

To program and debug the microcontroller, remove the BCM-RF-E cover shield and connect an ICD3 Microchip In-circuit debugger to the RJ11-R connector (see I/O AND SWITCHES section).

USB COMMUNICATION WITH THE BCM-RF-E

Communication between host PC and BCM-RF-E is performed via the microcontroller's built-in USB to serial converter. The connection is done with a USB cable. But for data transmission, the BCM-RF-E looks being attached to a serial port of the host.

The Microchip USB CDC serial driver might be required on Windows systems to communicate with the BCM-RF-E USB port. This driver is part of the Microchip Libraries for Applications (USB). It is also provided with the BCM-RF system or can be obtained from Bergoz Instrumentation upon request.

The BCM-RF-E uses the Communication Devices Class USB protocol in POLLING mode. All data is transmitted as character strings.

A general frame used to send a command from the host to the BCM-RF-E looks like this:

1 char Frame type	1 char Frame number	1 char Write / Read indicator	4 char Value	2 char Termination
'A' to 'Z'	'0' to '9'	':' write data to PIC or '?' demand data from PIC	0000 to FFFF HEX value	\n\0 Ascii(10) Ascii(0)

Examples: "D0:0005\n\0", "D0?\n\0"

If data is demanded from the BCM-RF-E using the read indicator '?', the four value characters can be omitted.

It is possible to concatenate a few frames in a single line send to the BCM-RF-E. It is sufficient that each frame ends by \0 (ascii(0)) instead of \n\0 (ascii(10) ascii(0)).

Warning!

The BCM-RF-E firmware does not always disregard wrongly formatted frames. It is mandatory that the value send to the BCM-RF-E is exactly four characters long and contains only hexadecimal numbers. Otherwise the BCM-RF-E might misbehave.

A general frame received by the host from the BCM-RF-E looks like this:

1 char Frame type	1 char Frame number	1 char Separator	4 char Counter	1 char Separator	8 char Value	2 char Termination
'A' to 'Z'	'0' to '9'	':'	0000 to FFFF HEX value	'='	00000000 to FFFFFFFF HEX value	\n\0 Ascii(10) Ascii(0)

Example: "D0:0123=00000005\n\0"

The analog BCM-RF-E output signal is periodically sampled by the microcontroller's 12bit ADC. The sampled value is then automatically sent to the host via USB.

In S&H mode, when the microcontroller receives a new trigger by the ADC_TRG_OUT signal, it sends automatically a "new trigger" frame to the host.

Frames automatically sent by the BCM-RF-E to the host:

Frame type	Description	Example (omitting termination)
A	BCM-RF-E's ADC sampled voltage in microvolts If the reverse function is activated (see frame type "M") data will be sent as femtocoulombs (S&H mode) or nanoamperes (T-C mode)	A0:0123=00123ABC
!	New trigger frame (only available in S&H mode)	!0:0123=00000001

This table describes the write commands that can be send by the host to the BCM-RF-E. These commands change the BCM-RF-E configuration. The BCM-RF-E will not send a response:

Command	Description	Command Frame (omitting termination)	Comments
D	Set on-board's digital delay line value in nanoseconds	D0:00xx	"xx" must be an integer number in HEX format within the range "00" to "FF"
E	Save BCM-RF-E configuration to microcontroller's EEPROM	E0:0001	
I	Set BCM-RF-E switch configuration	I0:000x	Single bits of "x" are used to switch modes: Bit0 = 0 => use external trigger Bit0 = 1 => use internal trigger Bit1 = 0 => T-C mode Bit1 = 1 => S-H mode Bit2 = 0 => Internal clock off (for T-C mode) Bit2 = 1 => Internal clock on (for S-H mode) Bit3 = 0 => Digital Delay line on, Front panel trimmer off Bit3 = 1 => Digital Delay line off, Front panel trimmer on
K	Activate CAL-FO mode (optional)	K0:0001 K0:0000	on off
M	Activate microcontroller's reverse function algorithm For information on data formats, see description of the data frame "A"	M0:0001 M0:0000	on off
T	Set number of ADC samples used for averaging	T0:xxxx	"xxxx" must be an integer number in HEX format within the range "0000" to "FFFF"
V	Set calibration constant Qcal (in picocoulombs) or Ical (in microamperes)	V1:yyyy and V0:xxxx	The calibration constants are transmitted as hexa-decimal representations of IEEE754 encoded 32bit floating point numbers. The command frame V1:yyyy sends the upper 16bit. The command frame V0:xxxx sends the lower 16bit. Example: Decimal: Qcal = 0.015766 Binary of IEEE754 encoded 32bit float: Qcal = 00111100100000010010011110110011 HEX of IEEE754 encoded 32bit float: Qcal = 3C8127B3 The frames V1:3C81 and V0:27B3 need to be send.

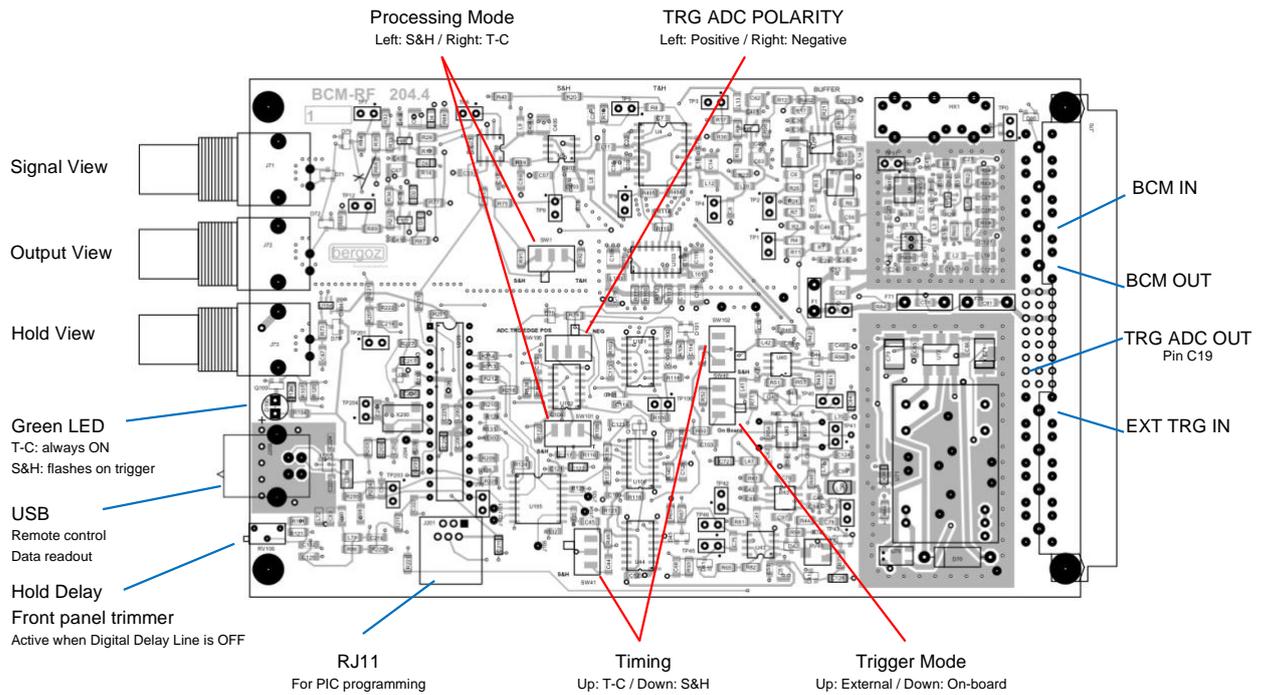
W	Set calibration constant Ucal (in volts)	W1:yyyy and W0:xxxx	see above
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This table describes the read commands that can be sent by the host to the BCM-RF-E and the corresponding response frames send by the BCM-RF-E back to the host. These commands do not change the BCM-RF-E on-board switch configuration:

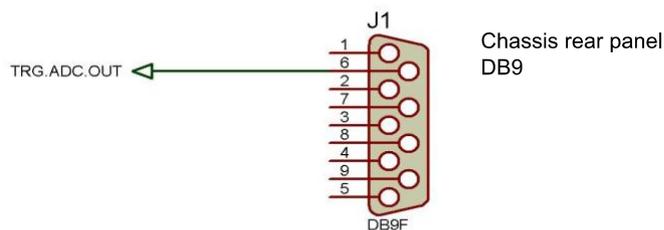
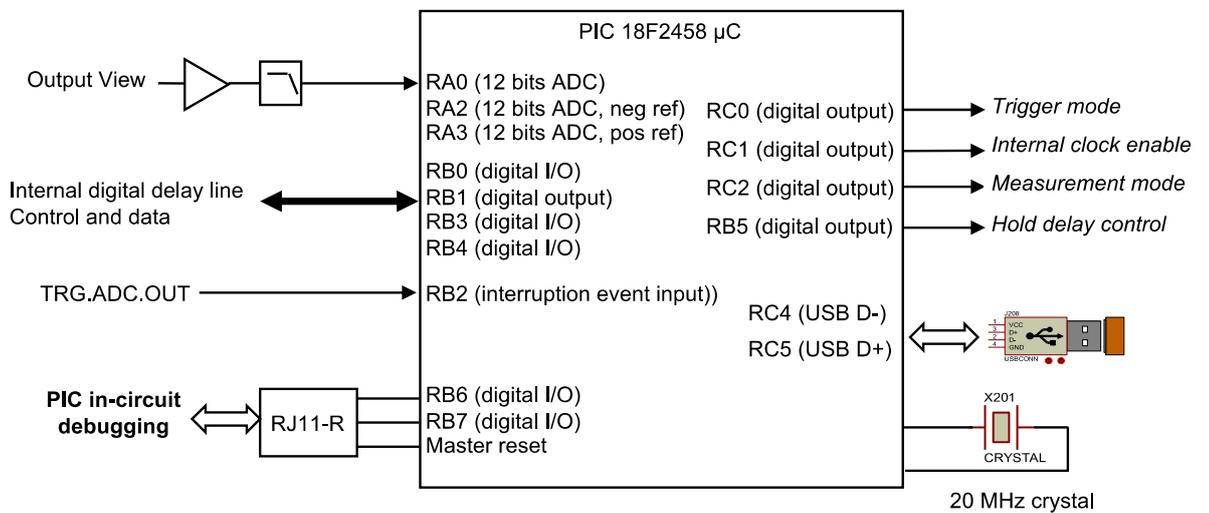
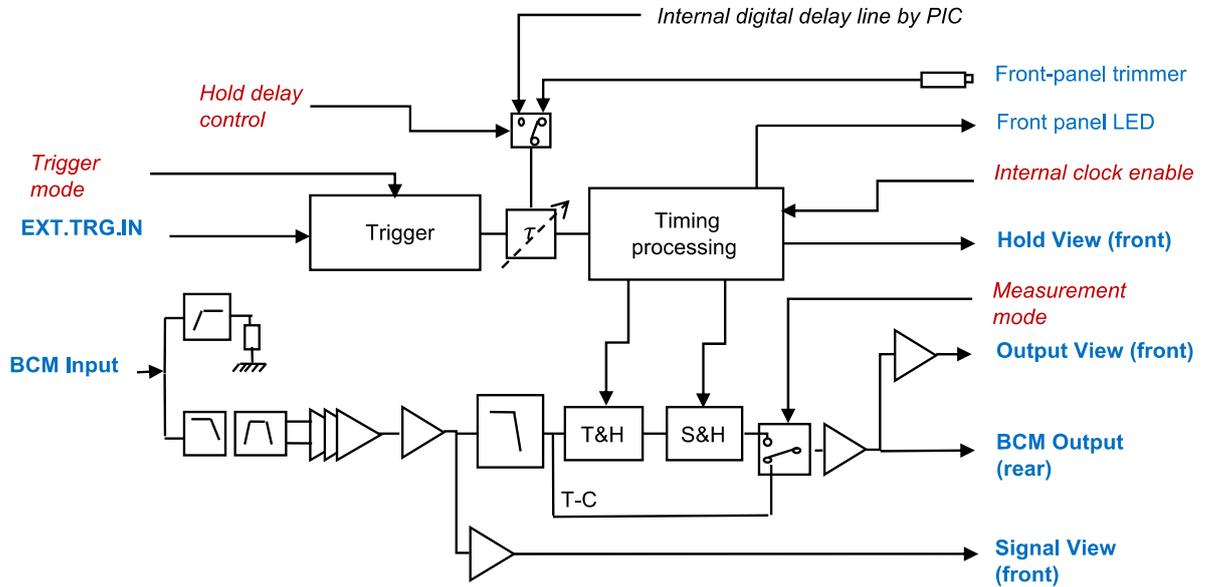
Command	Description	Command Frame (omitting termination)	Response Frame (omitting termination)	Comments
D	Read on-board's digital delay line value in nanoseconds	D0?	D0:zzzz=000000xx	"xx" is an integer number in HEX format within the range "00" to "FF"
I	Read BCM-RF-E switch configuration	I0?	I0:zzzz=0000000x	See previous table for a description of the data format.
K	Read state of CAL-FO mode (optional)	K0?	K0:zzzz=00000001 K0:zzzz=00000000	on off
M	Read state of reverse function algorithm	M0?	M0:zzzz=00000001 M0:zzzz=00000000	on off
S	Read BCM-RF-E serial number	S0?	S0:zzzz=xxxxxxxx	"xxxxxxxx" is an integer number in HEX format within the range "00000000" and "FFFFFFF"
T	Read number of ADC samples used for averaging	T0?	T0:zzzz=0000xxxx	"xxxx" is an integer number in HEX format within the range "0000" and "FFFF"
V	Read calibration constant Qcal (in picocoulombs) or Ical (in microampere)	V0?	V1:zzzz=0000xxxx V0:zzzz=0000yyyy	See previous table for a description of the data format. Note that the response frame "V0" contains the upper 16bit and the response frame "V1" contains the lower 16bit.
W	Read calibration constant Ucal (in volts)	W0?	W1:zzzz=0000xxxx W0:zzzz=0000yyyy	See previous table for a description of the data format. Note that the response frame "W0" contains the upper 16bit and the response frame "W1" contains the lower 16bit.

"zzzz" is a counter ranging from 0000 to FFFF which is incremented each time the BCM-RF-E tries to send data. After the counter reached the value FFFF it will be reset to 0000.

BCM-RF-E I/O AND SWITCHES



ARCHITECTURE



SPECIFICATIONS

Typical performance measured with Turbo2 option:

Charge measurements

BCM-RF-E mode	S&H
Input charge	300 pC max (higher without front-end amplifier)
Measurement range	500 fC ... 300 pC
Bunch repetition rate	Single bunch up to 2 MHz
Output voltage	0 V ... 5 V, logarithmically proportional to the beam charge
Reaction time	500 ns to > 99% final value
Noise	10 fC rms or 1% of charge (whichever is higher)
Non-linearity	2%
Time response	Hold till next trigger or 100 ms maximum
Trigger	On-board or External

Current measurements

BCM-RF-E mode	T-C
Measurement range	0.5 μ A ... 3 mA (higher without front-end amplifier)
Beam RF	10 MHz ... 350 MHz
Output voltage	0 V ... +5 V, logarithmically proportional to the beam current
Risetime	< 70 ns
Reaction time	100 ns
Noise	0.1 μ A rms or 1% of current (whichever is higher)
Non-linearity	~2%
Time response	Reports small current variations with 10 MHz bandwidth

Input signals, output signals and other interfaces

BCM-RF-E Front Panel



Signal View: BNC connector, waveform to be read by oscilloscope (50 Ω or 1 M Ω)
Voltage range -0.1 V ... 1 V (50 Ω)
 -0.2 V ... 2 V (1 M Ω)

Output View: BNC Connector, DC voltage stable for 100 ms or until next trigger
Voltage range -1 V ... 5 V
Negative voltage may be observed due to noise at very low signal levels.

Readout electronics requirements:

Input impedance $\geq 500 \text{ k}\Omega$
Resolution $\leq 1 \text{ mV}$

To allow for a short settling time in S&H mode, data acquisition shall start earliest 500 ns after the BCM-RF-E has triggered.

Hold View: BNC connector, waveform to be read by oscilloscope (50 Ω)
Voltage range 0 V ... 2 V

USB: Type B connector, compatible to USB 2.0 standard

Hold Delay: 10 turns potentiometer
0 ns ... 200 ns adjustable hold delay range

BCM-RFC Rear Panel



Remote control: DB9 connector
Pin 6: TTL output (2.5 V into high impedance)
All other DB9 pins are not connected

BCM Input: SMA connector, to be connected to Turbo-ICT-FEFA
50 Ω terminated

BCM Output: SMA connector, DC voltage stable for 100 ms or until next trigger
Voltage range -1 V ... 5 V
Negative voltages may be observed due to noise at very low signal levels

Readout electronics requirements:

Input impedance $\geq 500 \text{ k}\Omega$

Resolution $\leq 1 \text{ mV}$

To allow for a short settling time in S&H mode, data acquisition shall start earliest 500 ns after the BCM-RF-E has triggered.

Trigger in: SMA connector, BCM-RF-E external trigger input
50 Ω terminated

Trigger signal requirements:

Positive pulse starting at 0 V

Amplitude 2.5 V ... 5 V

Length $\geq 100 \text{ ns}$

Rise time $\leq 10 \text{ ns}$

BCM-RF-E

Rear module connector	DIN 41612-M / 24+8 male, with 1.0/2.4 coaxial inserts
Power consumption	+15 V, 170 mA / -15 V, 110 mA (Turbo-ICT connected)
Card size	3U x 4F, i.e. Eurosize 100 x 160 mm, 20 mm wide
Chassis size	3U x 19"

BCM-RFC power supply and fuses

The mains voltage is factory set according to the front panel label. This label should be removed or replaced when the mains voltage selection is changed.

Type	5U 15-15 modular plug-in ± 15 V linear power supply ¹
Manufacturer	Delta Elektronika, 4300A Zierikzee, The Netherlands
Output voltage	± 15 V, 200 mA
Mains voltage	jumper selectable, 110, 220 Vac, 50-60 Hz tested at 90 Vac, 50/60 Hz for 100 Vac Japanese mains voltage
Mains voltage selector	located under the power supply block
Card size	3U x 10F, i.e. Eurosize 100 x 160 mm, 50 mm wide
Back-panel connector	power supply mains is wired to an IEC connector via EMI/RFI filter and fuse

Fuse type

Number of 5U 15-15 PS	Mains 110 Vac	Mains 220 Vac
1	400 mA	200 mA
2	800 mA	400 mA
4	1.6 A	800 mA
6	3.2 A	1.6 A

¹ http://www.delta-elektronika.nl/upload/MAN_5U15-15.pdf

Connectors and pin allocation

BCM-RF-E Front panel BNC connectors					
RF-Chassis Rear SMA connectors					
DB9 female connector on BCM-RFC rear panel					
DIN41612M BCM-RF-E module rear connector					
INPUT SIGNALS					
BCM-RF-E Input	BCM Input	B8 *		SMA1	
OUTPUT SIGNALS					
BCM-RF-E output	BCM Output	B11*		SMA2	
ADC Trigger TTL output pos/neg edge	TRG.ADC.OUT	C19	DB9,6		
BNC front-panel MONITORING					
Input signal after log. demodulation	Signal View				BNC 1
BCM-RF-E Output	Output View				BNC 2
Hold clock (on rising edge)	Hold View				BNC 3
EXTERNAL TRIGGER INPUT					
External trigger input 50 Ω, pos. edge > 2 V	EXT.TRG.IN	B22*		SMA3	
POWER SUPPLY					
+ (8...15) V	+15 V	A13 B13 C13			
- (8...15) V	-15 V	A15 B15 C15			
Common	COM	A14 B14 C14			

* coaxial insert 1.0/2.3 type

RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT CABLES AND INSTALLATION

Standard recommendations

Turbo-ICT and BCM-RF-E system performance are measured and guaranteed when a Bergoz Instrumentation-supplied Interconnect cable BCM-C/xx or BCM-RHC/xx is used. It is double-shielded radiation tolerant coaxial cable to reject RFI. It is fitted at each end by two CMC common-mode chokes for EMI rejection:

- MnZn ferrite core for high-frequency >500 MHz rejection;
- Iron-based nanocrystalline Finemet core with soft B-H loop for low frequency rejection.

Unnecessary intermediate bulkheads should be avoided. When for practical reasons bulkheads must be used, e.g., on patch-panels, it is much preferable that the bulkhead body is isolated from ground. On either side of the patch-panel a set of two CMC common-mode chokes must be installed on the cable.

This is imperative to assure EMI rejection and system performance.

SMA plug connectors at each end of a Bergoz Instrumentation-supplied cable feature different dielectric types depending on cable reference:

- Standard BCM-C/xx cable is fitted with PTFE (Teflon) dielectric SMA plugs at both ends. PTFE radiation tolerance R.I.~2 (source H. Schoenbacher CERN Yellow Books).
- Radiation-tolerant BCM-RHC/xx cable is fitted with PEEK (Vitrex) dielectric SMA plugs at both ends. PEEK radiation tolerance R.I.>7 (same source).

BCM-RF system, i.e., chassis and modules should –as much as possible– be kept away from high power RF equipment, klystrons, cavities.

If the user procures the Turbo-ICT interconnect cable from a source other than Bergoz Instrumentation, cable must be double shielded, connectors must be chosen carefully according to the cable specifications, connector dielectric should conform to the radiation environment, appropriate common-mode chokes must be installed at each end of every cable segment.

A cable segment is any segment of cable between two connectors or bulkheads. Cable and connectors manufacturer's instructions must be followed meticulously. If the cable assembly is subcontracted, subcontractors must be informed of the extreme reliability expected from these cables. Transmission and reflections of each cable must be controlled before installation with a network analyzer, over a frequency band up to twice the operating frequency.

BCM-RF-E modules must be installed in a RF-shielded chassis, BCM-RFC/xx or equivalent.

Installation inside a vacuum chamber

Only In-vacuum models are concerned by this chapter.

When a Turbo-ICT-VAC is installed inside a vacuum chamber, the cable going to the BCM-RF-E must be cut and passed thru an isolated coaxial vacuum feedthrough, i.e., with no contact to the enclosure by either the cable shield or the central conductor.

ACCESSORIES

Card Extender: ref. BCM-XTD

The card extender allows to access the BCM-RF-E on-board switches while the BCM-RF-E module is connected to the chassis.

SCHEMATICS & BOARD LAYOUT

Schematics and board layouts remain the exclusive property of Bergoz Instrumentation at any time. They are protected by the copyright laws.

Schematics and board layouts are not delivered with the instruments. They can however be obtained upon user's request.

A request should be sent by email on the institute's letterhead, worded in the following way:

To: Bergoz Instrumentation

From: User's name

Date:

*I am a user of instrument type xxx-xxx serial nr. xxx,xxx,xxx,xxx, etc.
Please send me one copy of the corresponding schematics and board layout.*

I will use it for the instrument's maintenance only.

I will make copies only for my own use.

I will inform others who need these schematics that they should request them from Bergoz Instrumentation.

Signed:

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