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Suivie de résonance: méthodes à fréquences multiples

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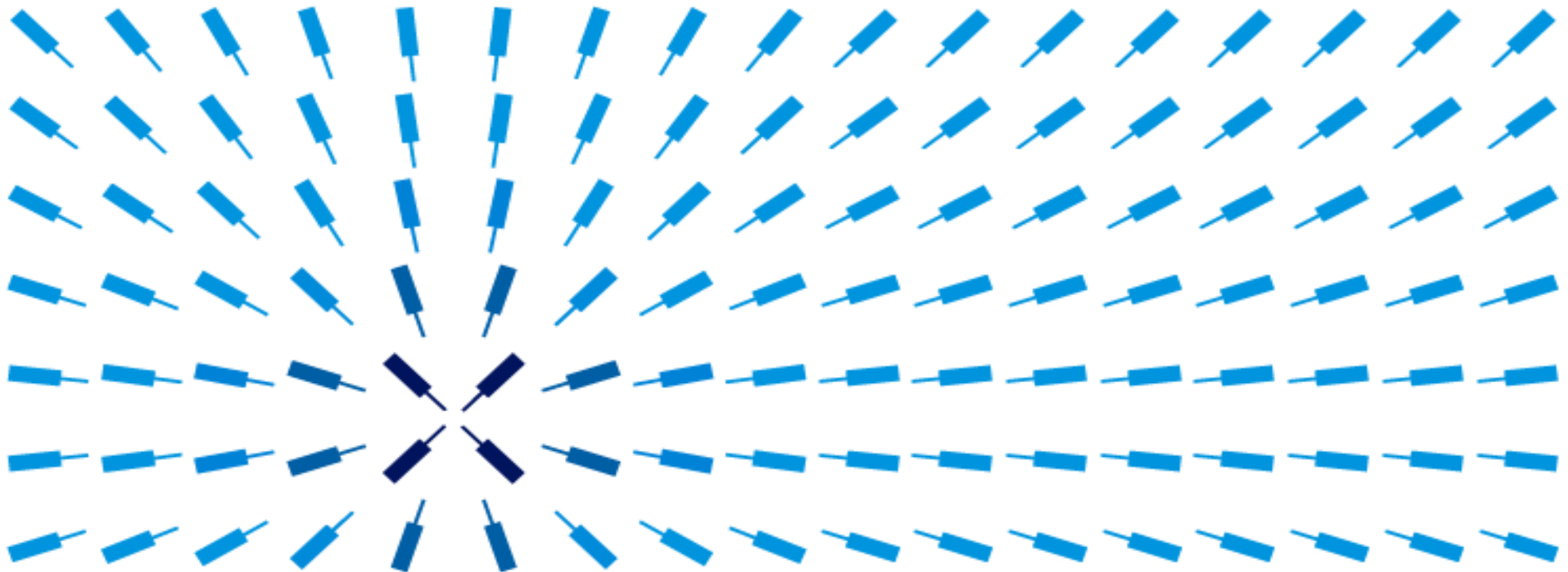
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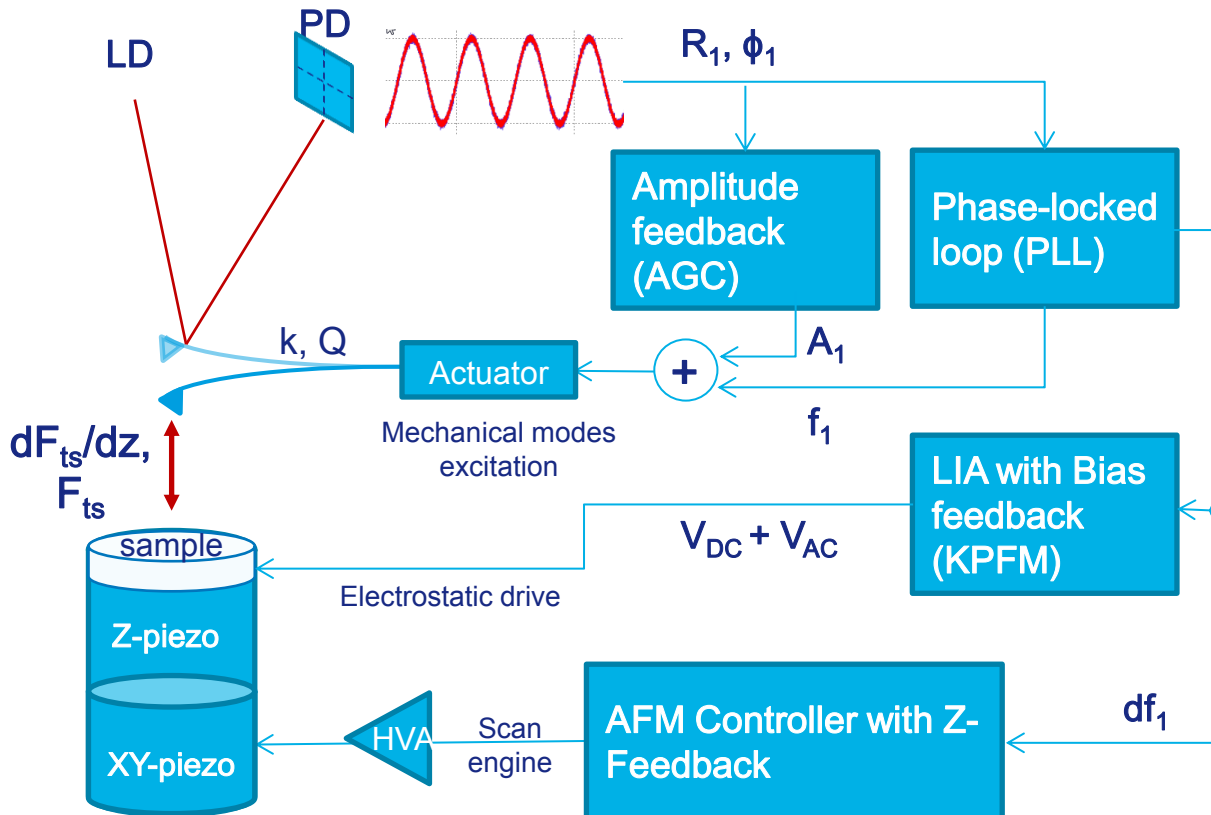
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1. Un peu de traitement du signal pour le SPM



Multifrequency & multiple feedback loops in SPM



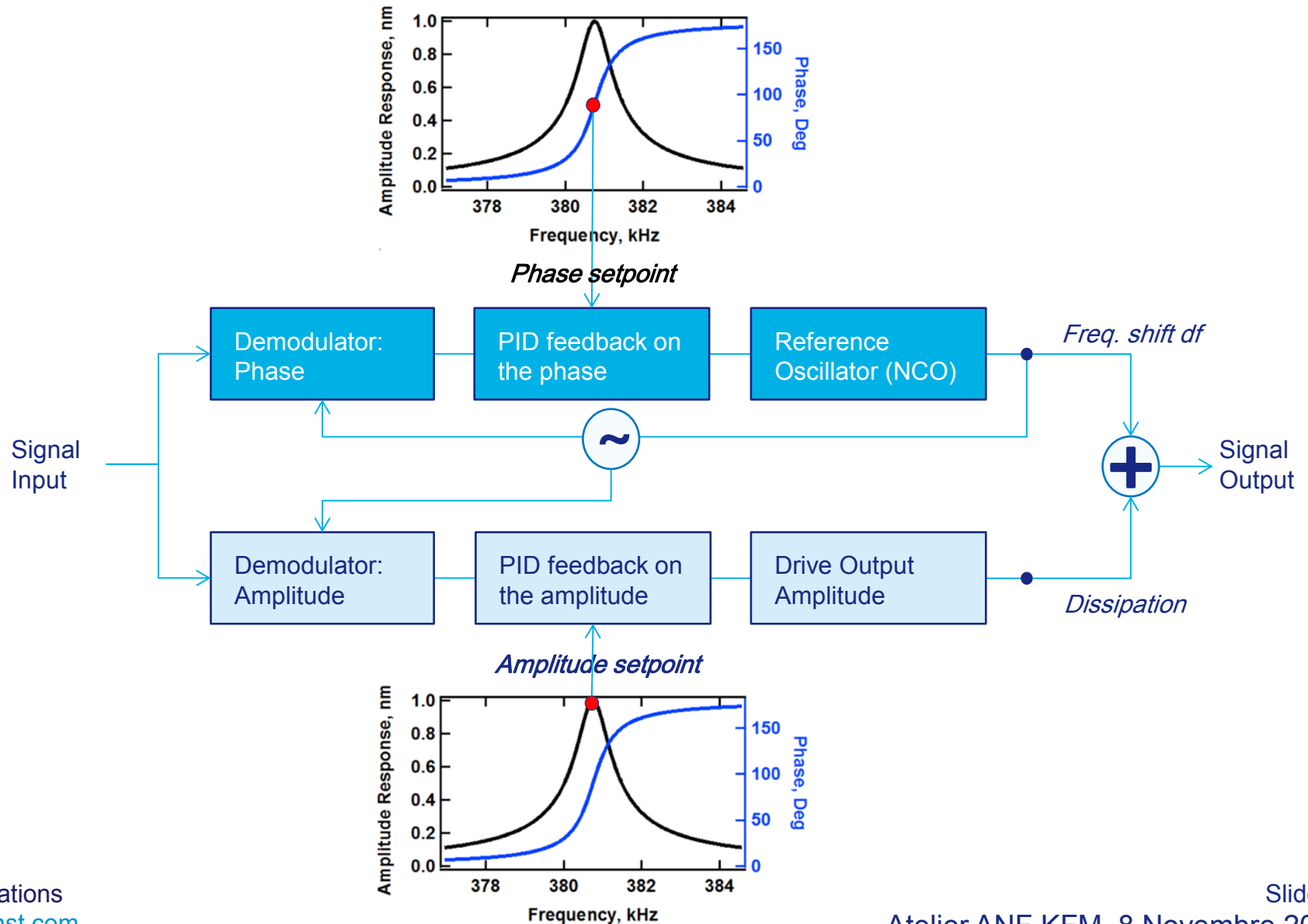
Most common AFM modes:

- Contact Modes (DC deflection)
- Tapping Modes (AC Modulation & Amplitude demodulation)
- Non-Contact Modes (FM-AFM, measure dissipation or drive and conservative forces or freq shift)

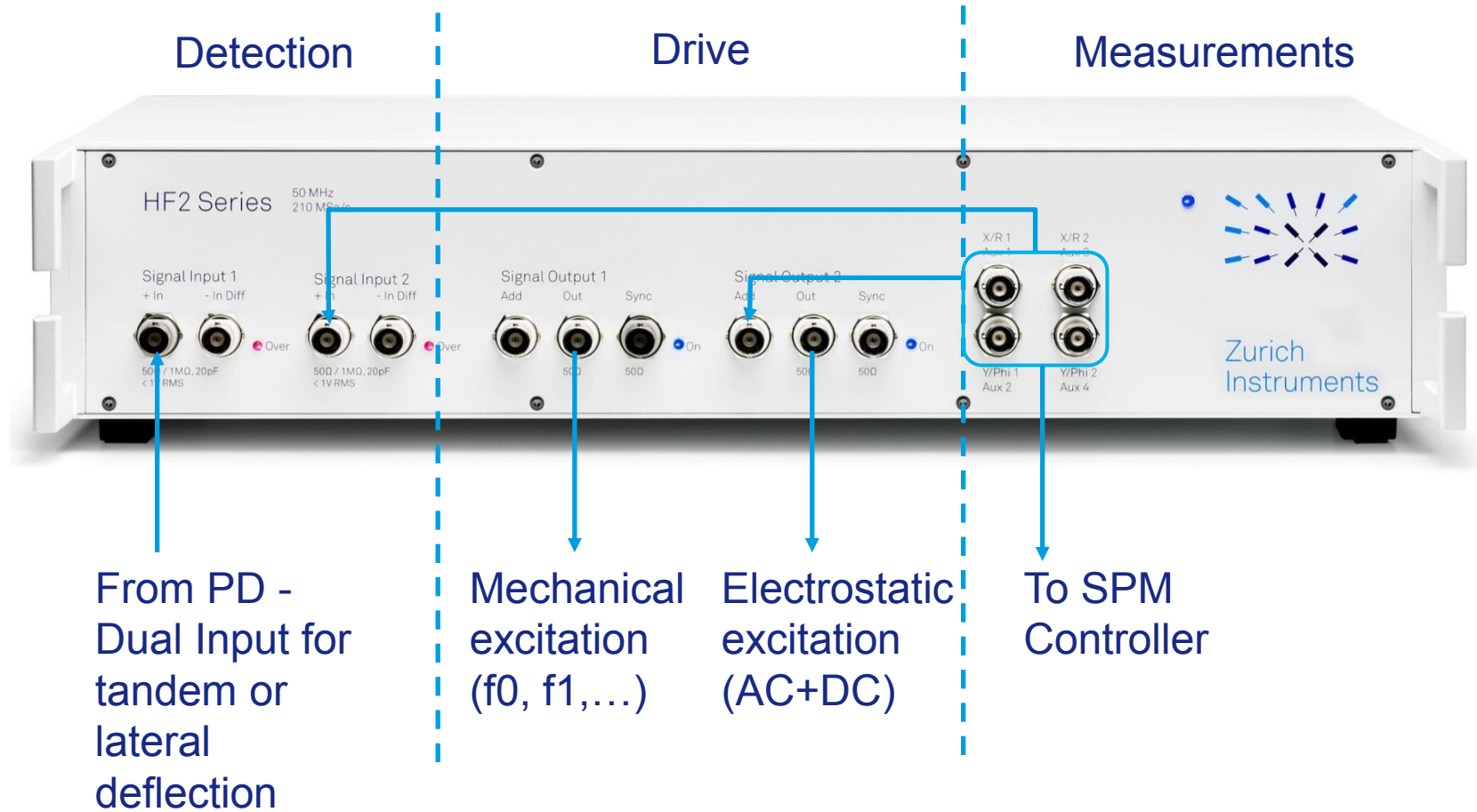
Many variations:

- Electrostatic modes (EFM, KPFM, SSRM, ...)
- Magnetic modes (MFM, MRFM)
- Resonance Contact modes (PFM, DFRT, ...) for nanomechanics
- Spectroscopic modes (Force volume)

NC-AFM: Phase & Amplitude feedback loops



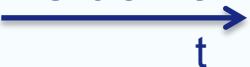



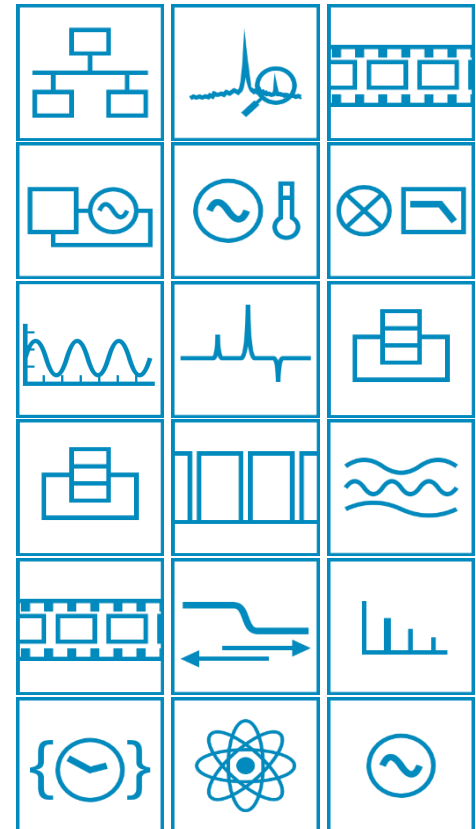
HF2LI – Multiple detection and excitation



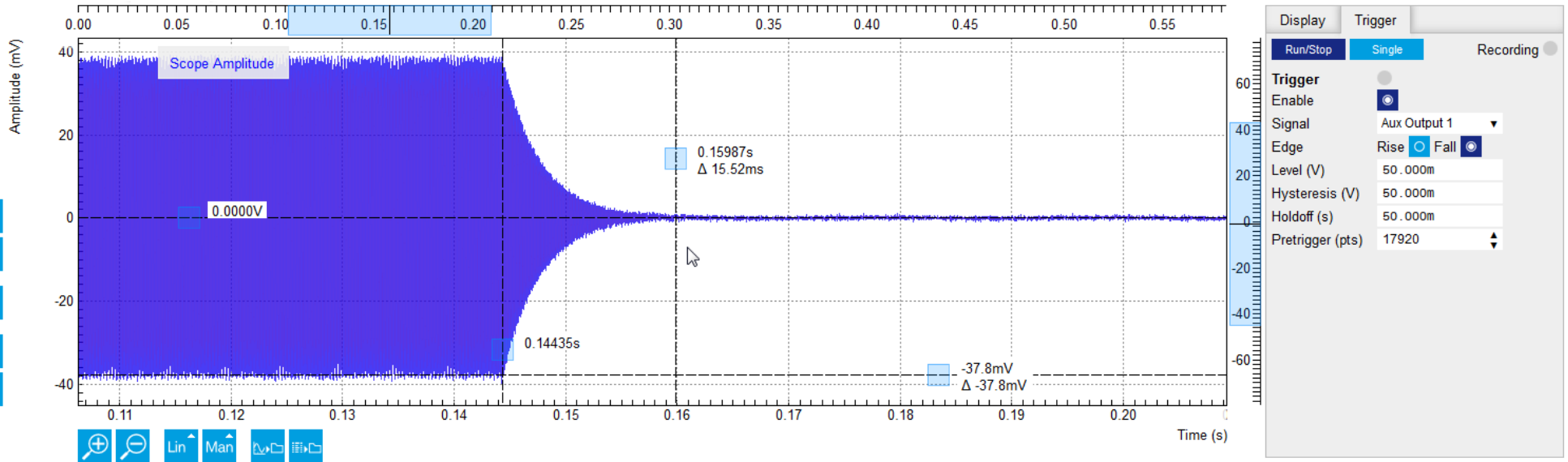
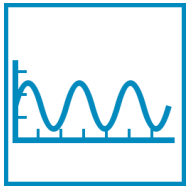
Complete dynamic signal generations & detections

Time and Frequency Domain Analysis

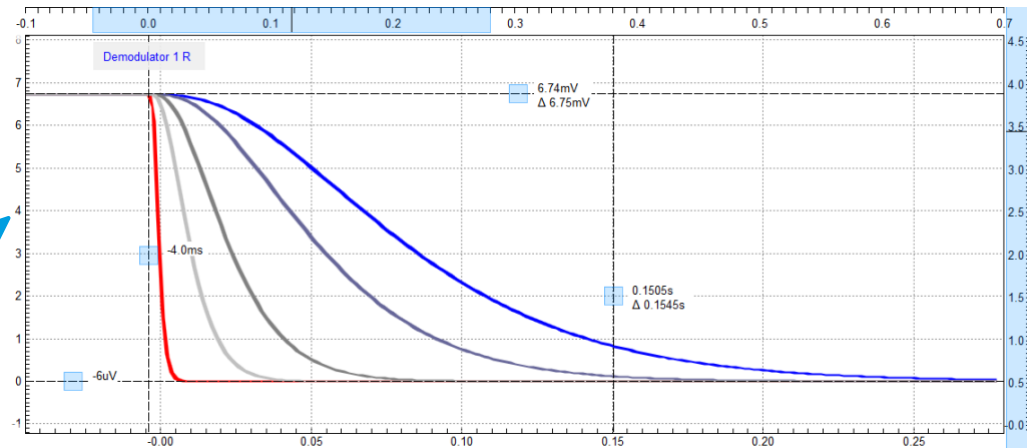
All digital Solution	Digitized samples 	Demodulated signal after down conversion 
<p>Time domain</p> <p></p>	<p>Oscilloscope Digitizer Function Generator</p>	<p>Multiple Demods Numerical and Plotter Tools Software Trigger</p>
<p>Frequency domain</p> <p></p>	<p>Raw FFT Analyzer Frequency Tracking</p>	<p>Frequency Response Analyzer (FRA) Zoom FFT</p>

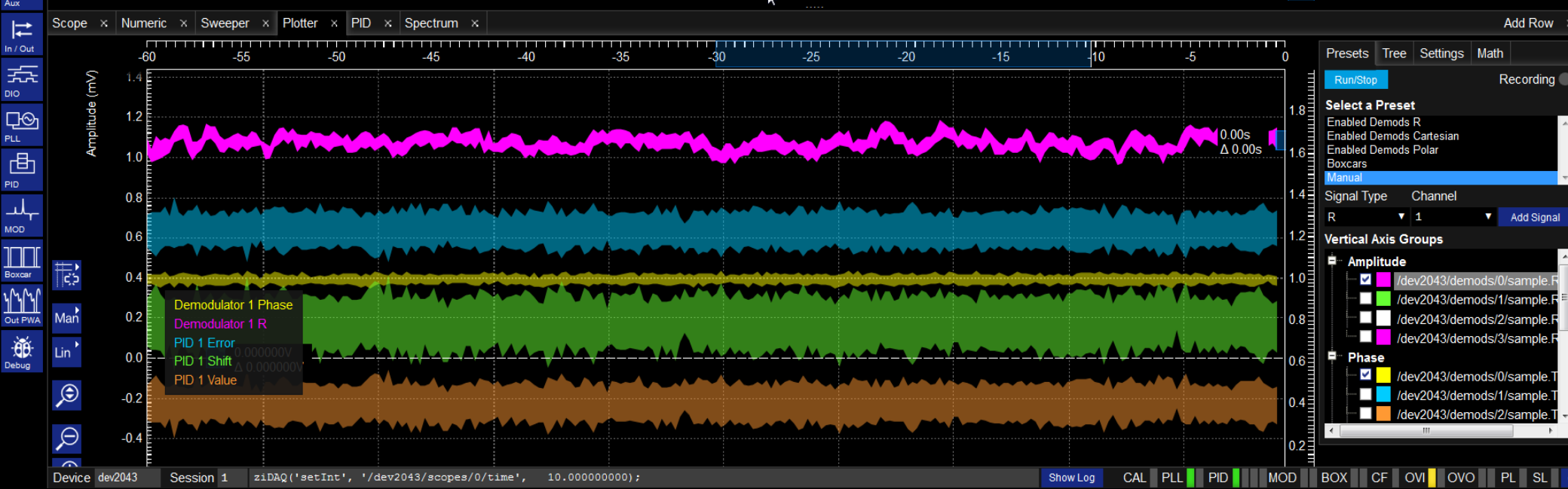
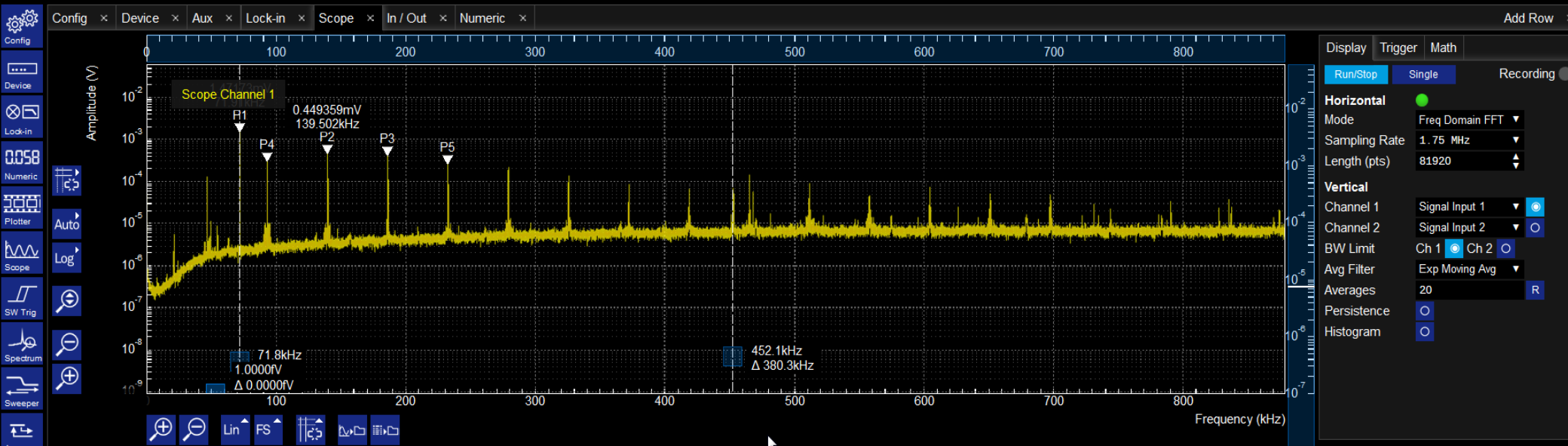


LabOne example: Oscilloscope and Trigger



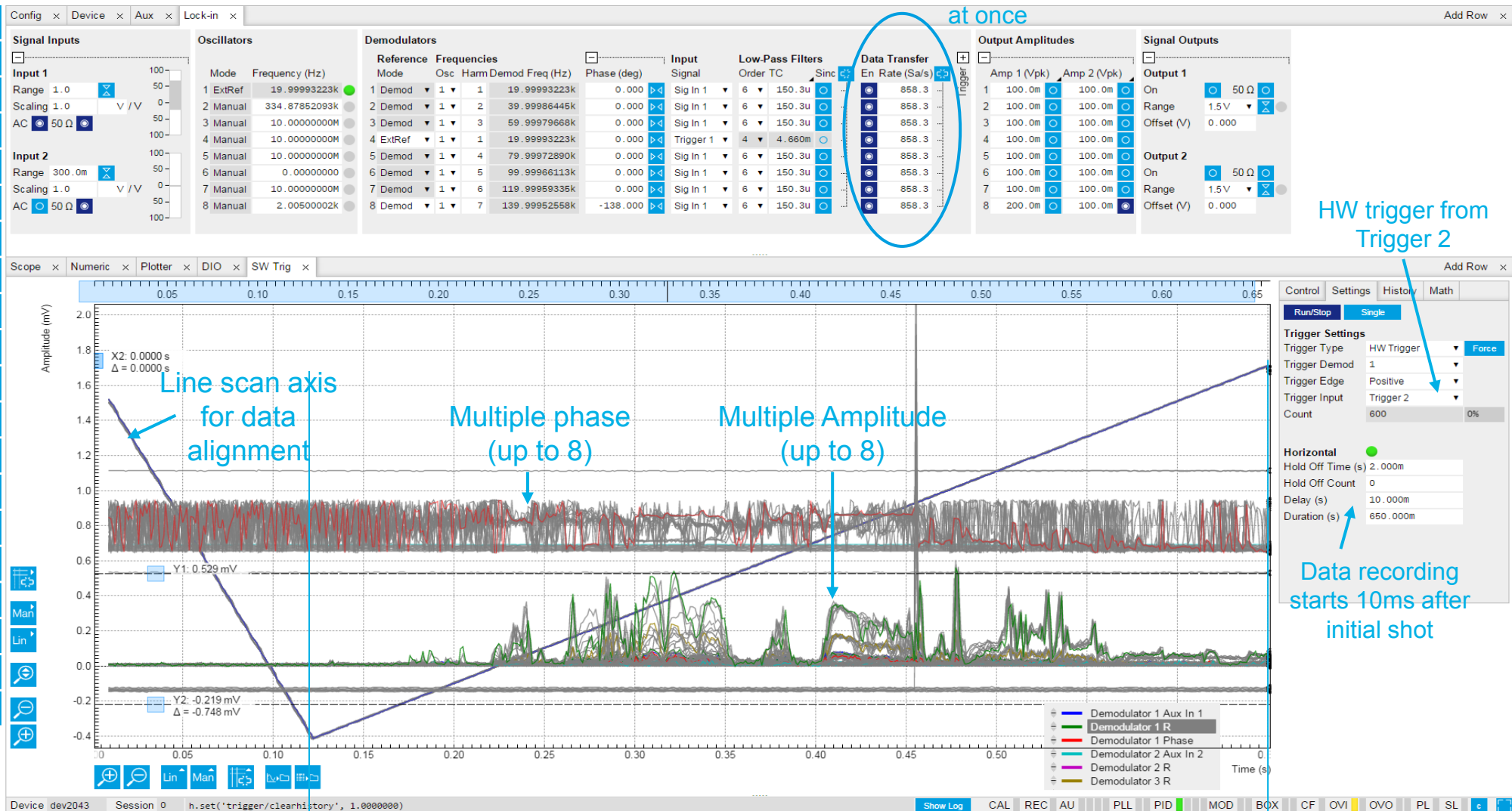
- 65kSa scope memory (extendable to 20MSa)
- trigger on any internal or external signal
- ring-down of transient phenomena





Mapping applications: Multichannel SW trigger

Save all 8 demodulators
at once



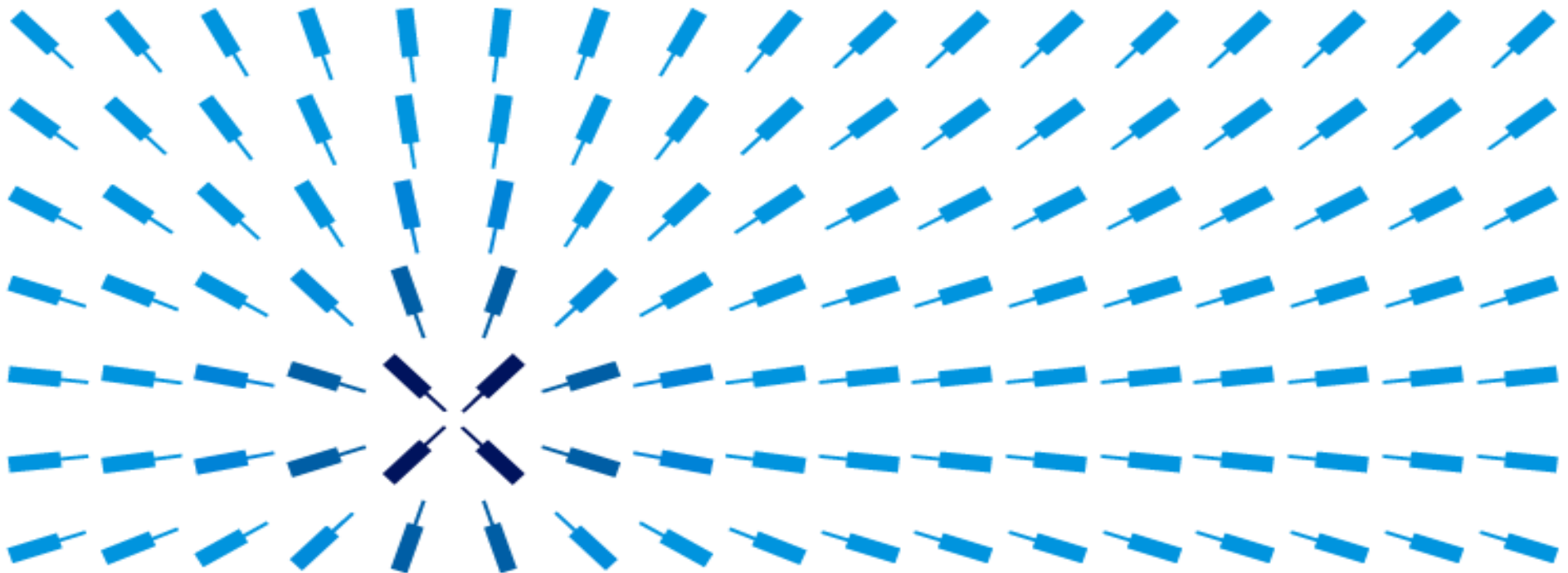
HW trigger from
Trigger 2

Data recording
starts 10ms after
initial shot

One triggered scan line
(superposed fwd traces)

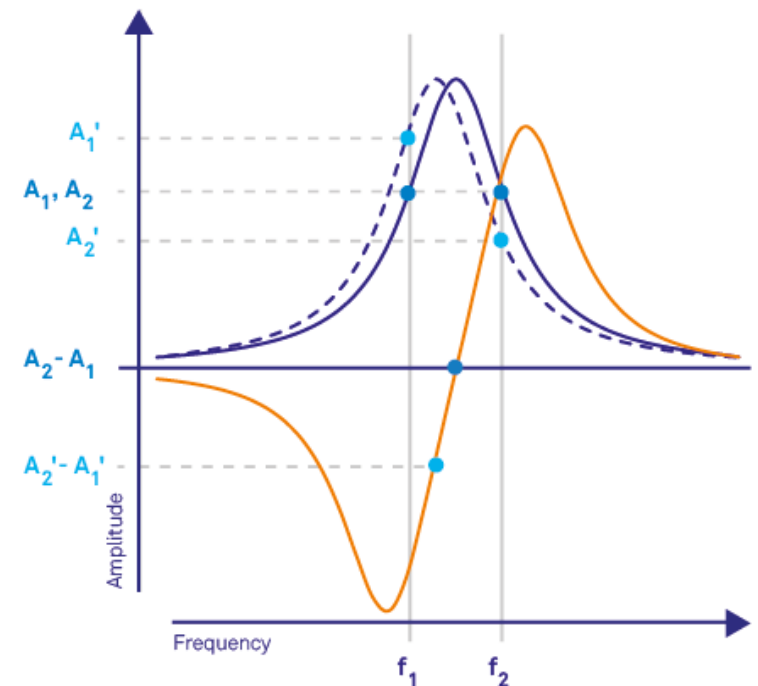
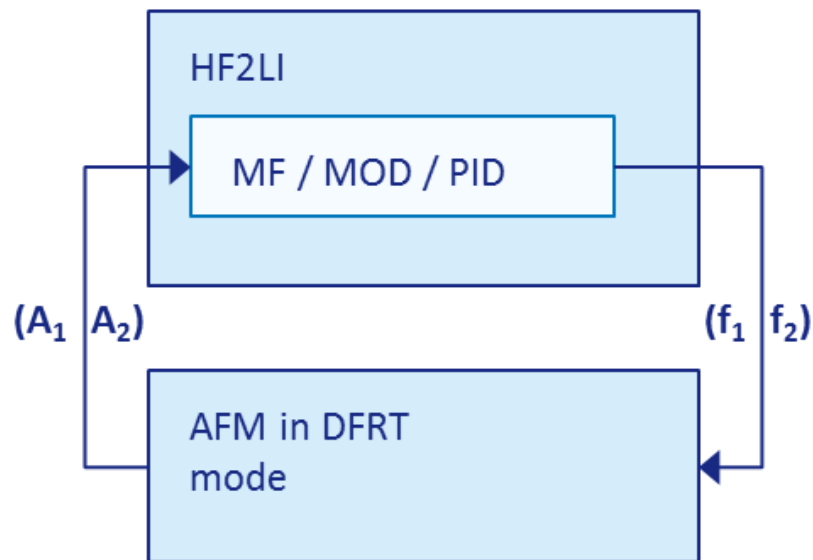
(bwd trace)

2. Méthode 'Dual Frequency Resonance Tracking' (DFRT)

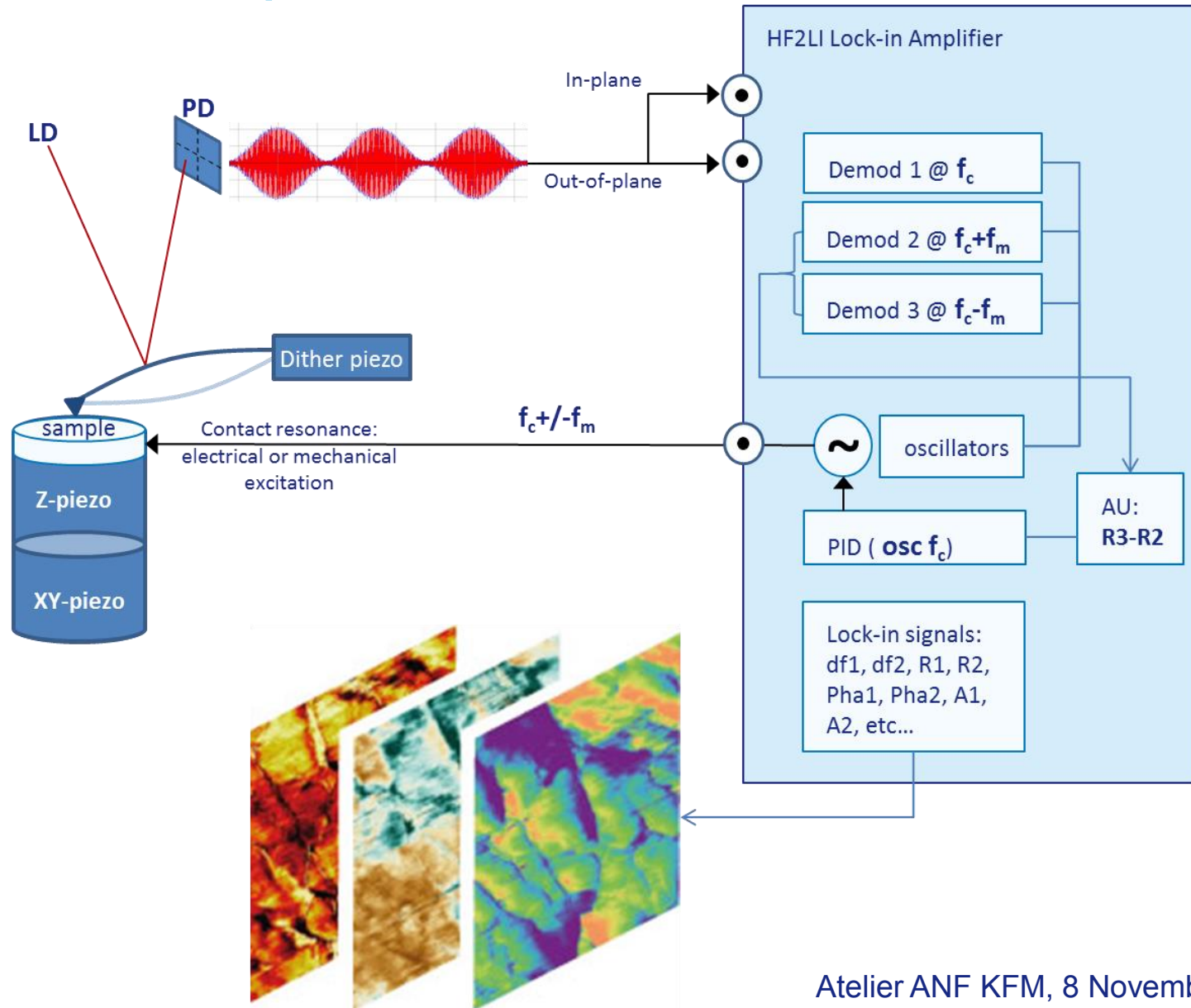


Dual Frequency Resonance Tracking (DFRT)

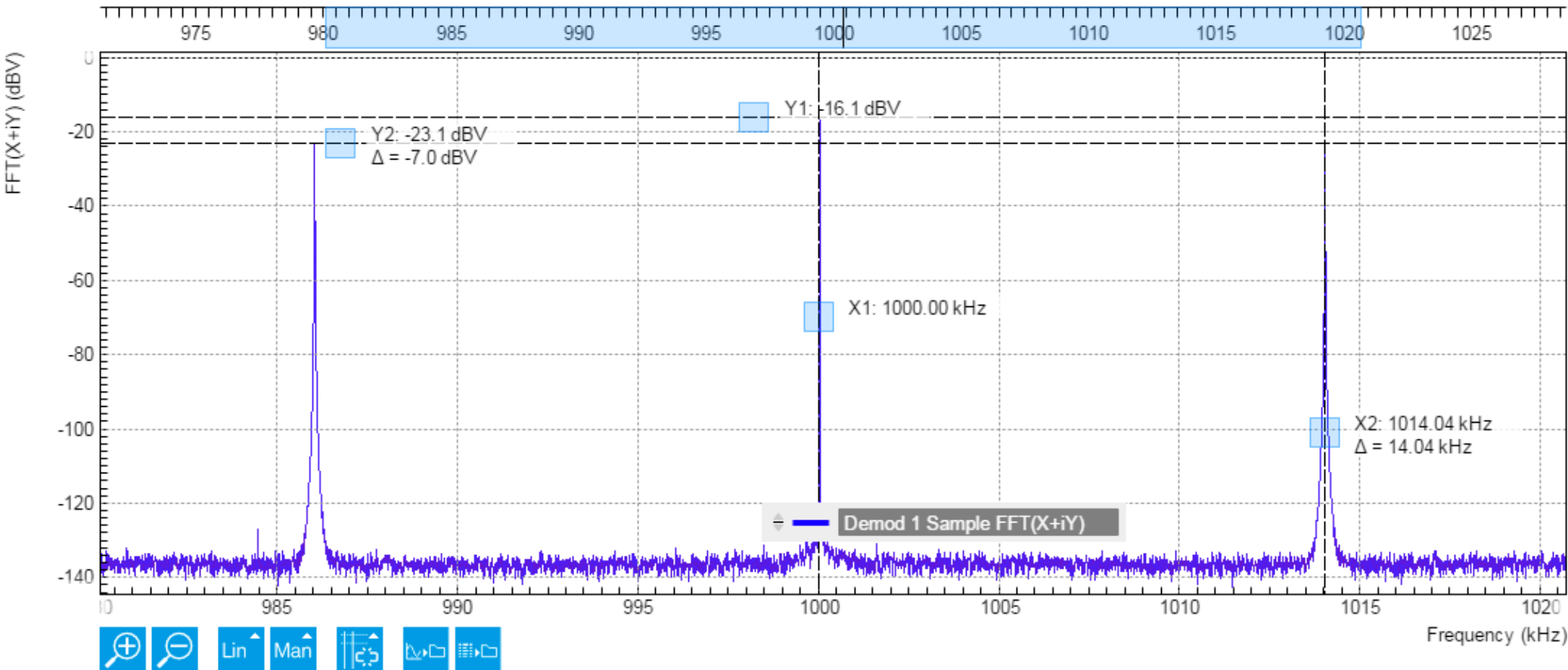
1. Bimodal excitation @ $f_c \pm f_m$ (just around the resonance)
2. Both sides of the resonance amplitude are measured simultaneously.
3. The difference of amplitude exhibits a linear dependence with a set-point of 0 at resonance.



How it works in practice



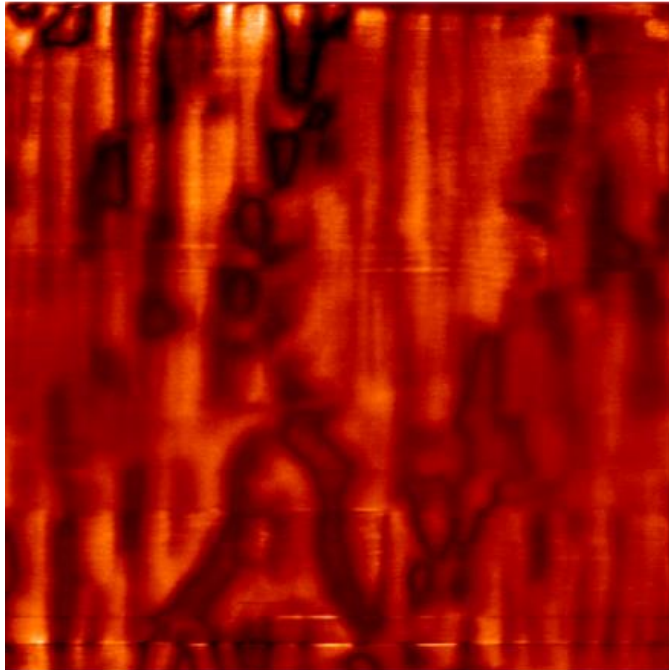
AM Modulation: frequency domain



Amplitude Modulation can be with or without carrier suppression

How it looks like

Contact Resonance PFM image of 100nm BFO layer, 2x2um scan size



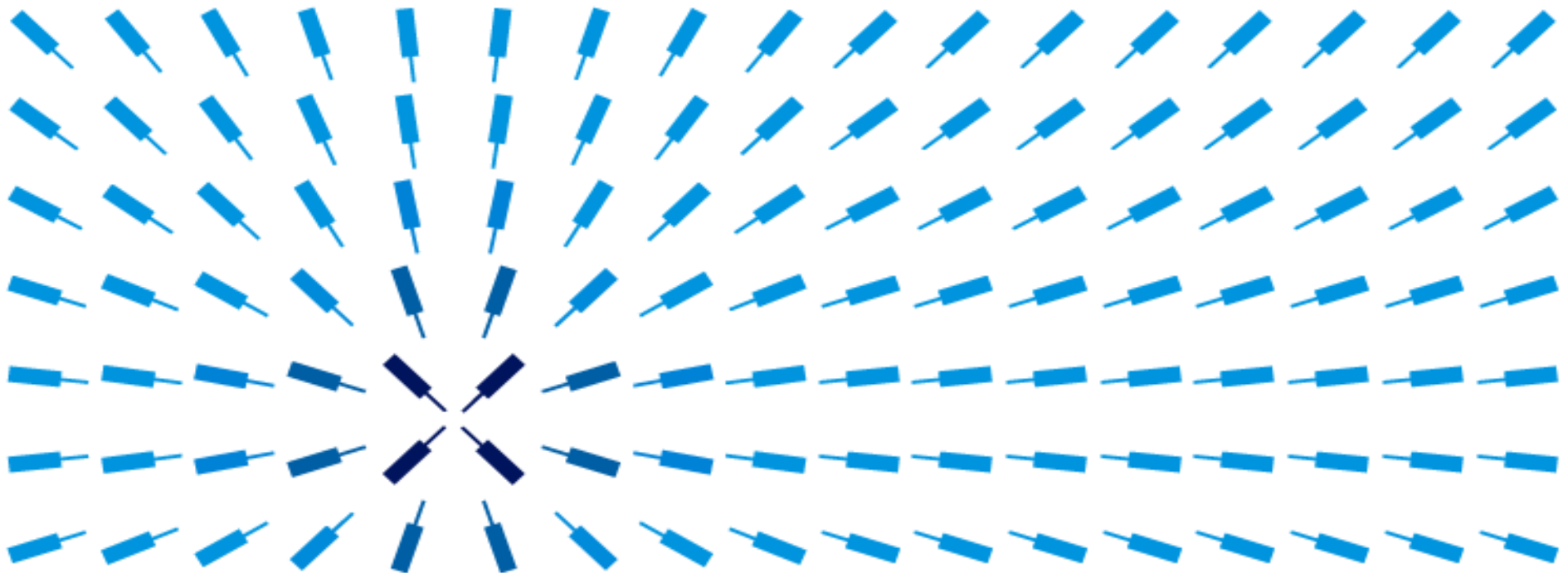
Piezoresponse Amplitude



Piezoresponse Phase

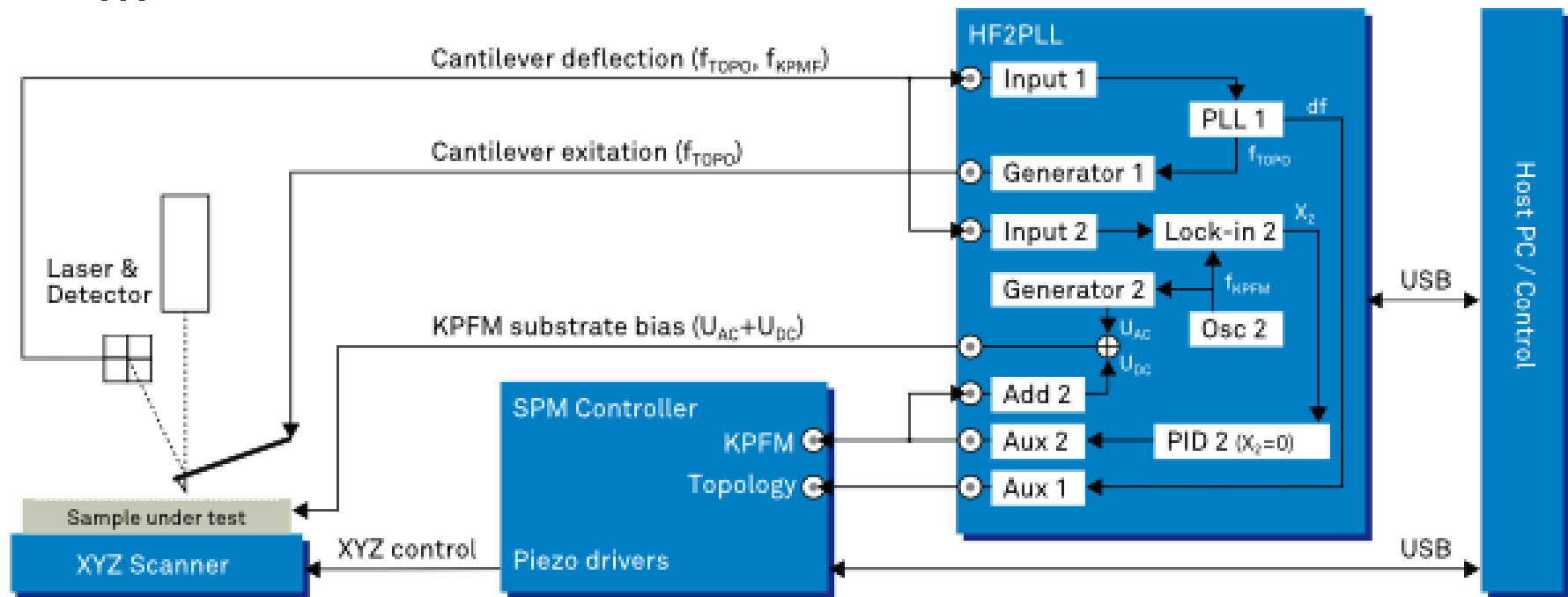
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3. Le KPFM à la mode de chez nous

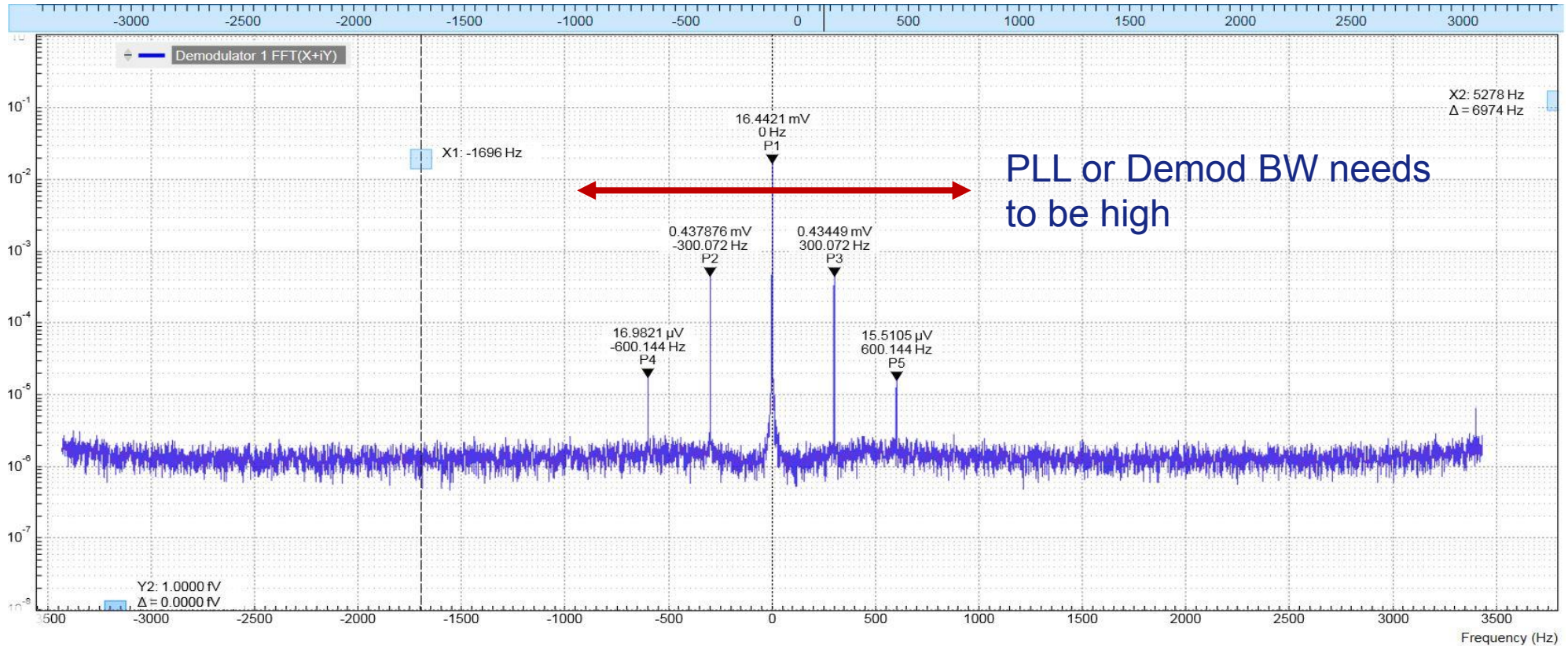


Kelvin Probe Microscopy: chose your mode

- Single-pass vs Mutli-pass
- AM-KPFM vs FM-KPFM
- Tandem vs Direct Sideband
- ...

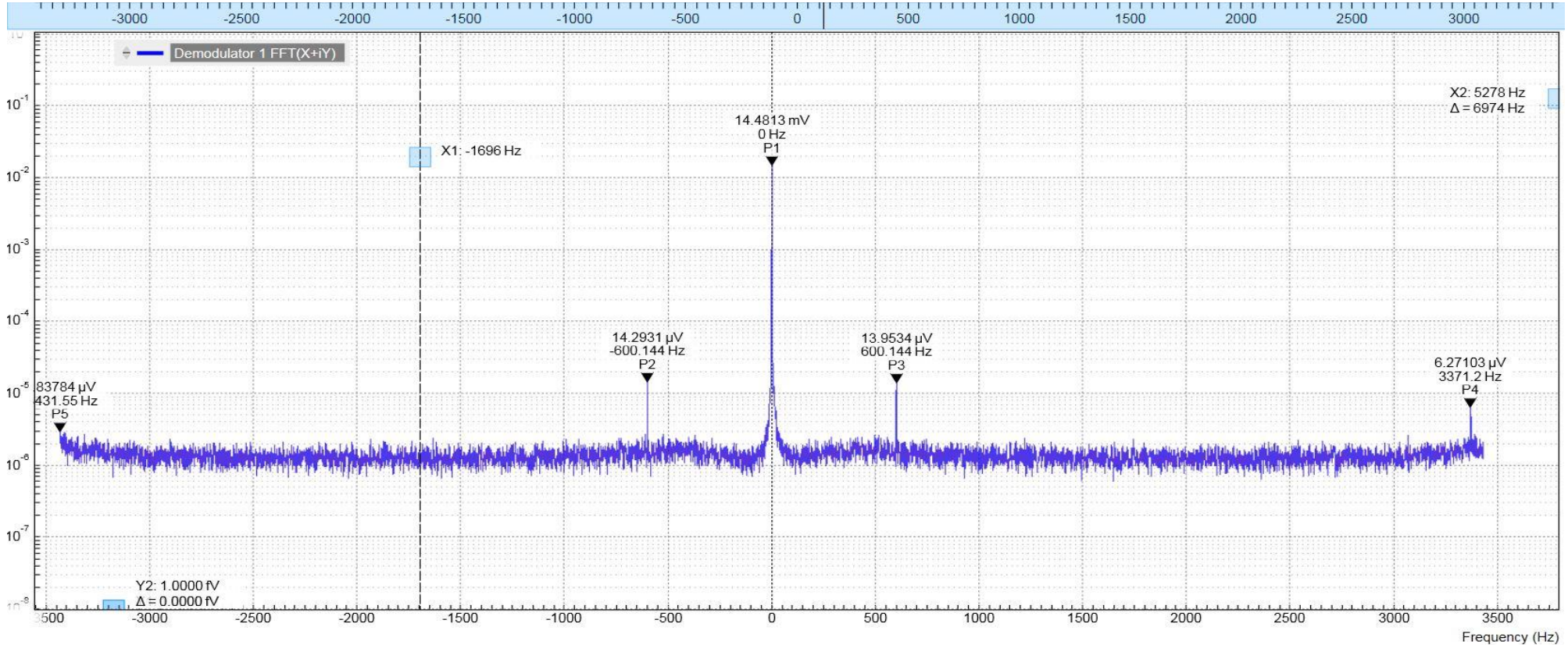


Feedback on bias OFF



$$V_{DC} = 1V$$
$$V_{ac} @ 300Hz$$

Feedback on bias ON



$$V_{DC} = V_{cpd}$$
$$V_{ac} @ 300\text{Hz}$$

2ω component not affected by cpd (as expected)

FM-KPFM: benefit of using many demodulators

MOD1 takes first 3 demod. X(2) & X(3) will be max with the right phaseshift

All 6 demodulated signals on Input 1

Signal Inputs		Demodulators				Filters			Readout		Signal Output Amplitudes		Sig. Outputs
Input 1	Scale	Osc	Frequency (Hz)	Harm	Phaseshift (deg)	Input (dB/Oct)	BW (Hz)	Sinc	Trigger	(Sa/s)	Output 1 (V)	Output 2 (V)	Range (Vpk)
No Preamp Scale: 1.00 V /V ON Range (Vpk): 990m A AC ON Diff 50		1	77.2288759k	1	+70.0000	1	48	500	Cont.	7.20k	0.000	0.000	100m
		2	1.00000000k	1	+114.4629	1	48	1.10	Cont.	7.20k	0.000	0.000	Add On
		2	1.00000000k	1	+114.0000	1	48	1.10	Cont.	7.20k	0.000	0.000	ON
		1	77.2288759k	1	+0.0000	1	48	1.00k	Cont.	7.20k	5.000m	0.000	
		2	1.00000000k	2	+0.0000	1	48	100	Cont.	899	0.000	500.0m	Range (Vpk): 10
		3	2.00000000k	2	+0.0000	1	48	100	Cont.	899	0.000	2.000	Add On
No Preamp Scaling + Units Range (Vpk): 170m A AC ON Diff 50		1	77.2288759k	Signal In 1 (auto)		Locked				62.50m	ON	2.000	ON
		2	1.00000000k	Internal						0.000		1.000	ON

MOD2 can be used to measure second harmonic simultaneously (capacitive gradient of the force)

Mechanical excitation on Output 1 (PLL and AGC locked)

Electrostatic excitation on Output 2 AC+DC added (demodulated in MOD1)

FM-KPFM: example on Graphene flakes

Image of Graphene flakes on Cu (111) in FM-KPFM mode

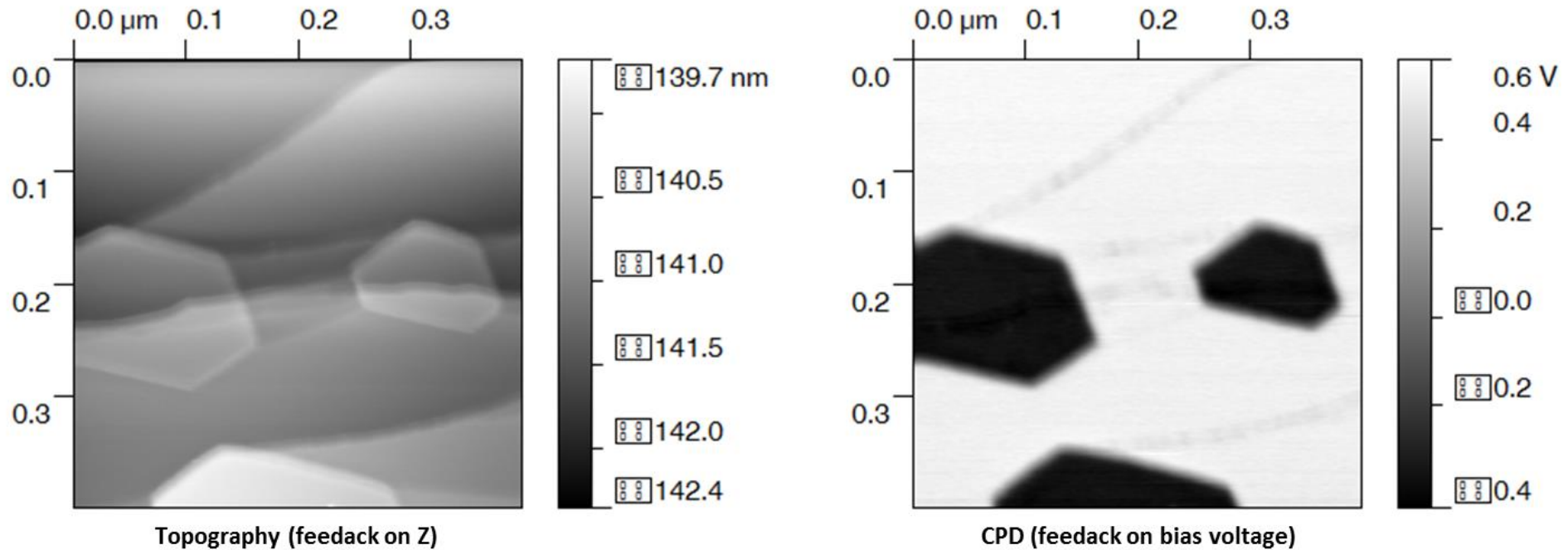


Image courtesy of Thilo Glatzel and Ernst Meyer, Universität Basel, Switzerland

Why phase adjustment is important for KPFM ?

Config x Device x Aux x Lock-in x DIO x Add Row x

Signal Inputs

1 Input 1
Range 300.0m
Scaling 1.0 V/V
AC 50 Ω

2 Input 2
Range 10.0m
Scaling 1.0 V/V
AC 50 Ω

Oscillators

Mode	Frequency (Hz)
1 PID	937.41002152k
2 Manual	190.00000293
3 Manual	150.10000000k
4 Manual	10.00000000M
5 Manual	10.00000000M
6 Manual	10.00000000M
7 Manual	10.00000000M
8 Manual	10.00000000M

Demodulators

Reference	Frequencies	Phase (deg)	Input		
Mode	Osc	Harm	Demod	Freq (Hz)	Signal
1 Mod	1	1	937.40933982k	0.000	Sig In 1
2 Mod	2	1	937.59961713k	0.000	Sig In 1
3 Mod	2	1	937.21961713k	0.000	Sig In 1
4 Demod	1	1	937.40962606k	115.164	Sig In 1
5 Demod	2	3	570.00000879	0.000	Sig In 1
6 Demod	2	1	190.00000293	0.000	Sig In 2
7 Demod	2	1	190.00000293	0.000	Sig In 2
8 Demod	3	1	150.10000000k	0.000	Sig In 2

Low-Pass Filters

Order	BW 3 dB	Sinc
4	193.1	0
4	100.3	0
4	100.3	0
8	33.39	0
4	11.14	0
3	100.1	0
3	100.1	0
3	100.1	0

Data Transfer

En	Rate (Sa/s)
0	3.433k
0	1.717k
0	858.3
0	1.717k
0	1.717k
0	1.717k
0	1.717k
0	1.717k
0	6.866k

Output Amplitudes

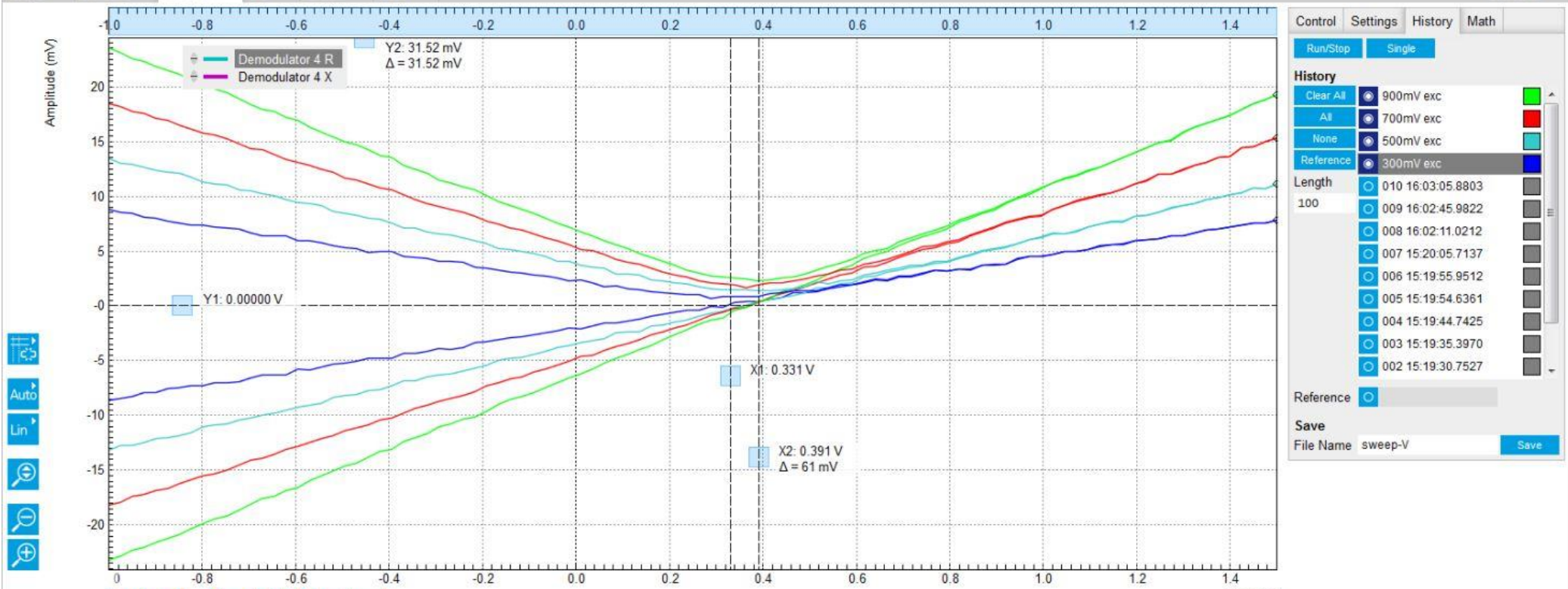
Amp 1 (Vpk)	Amp 2 (Vpk)
1 900.0m	1.000m
2 0.000	249.5u
3 0.000	249.5u
4 100.0m	100.0m
5 100.0m	100.0m
6 300.0m	100.0m
7 100.0m	100.0m
8 100.0m	150.0m

Signal Outputs

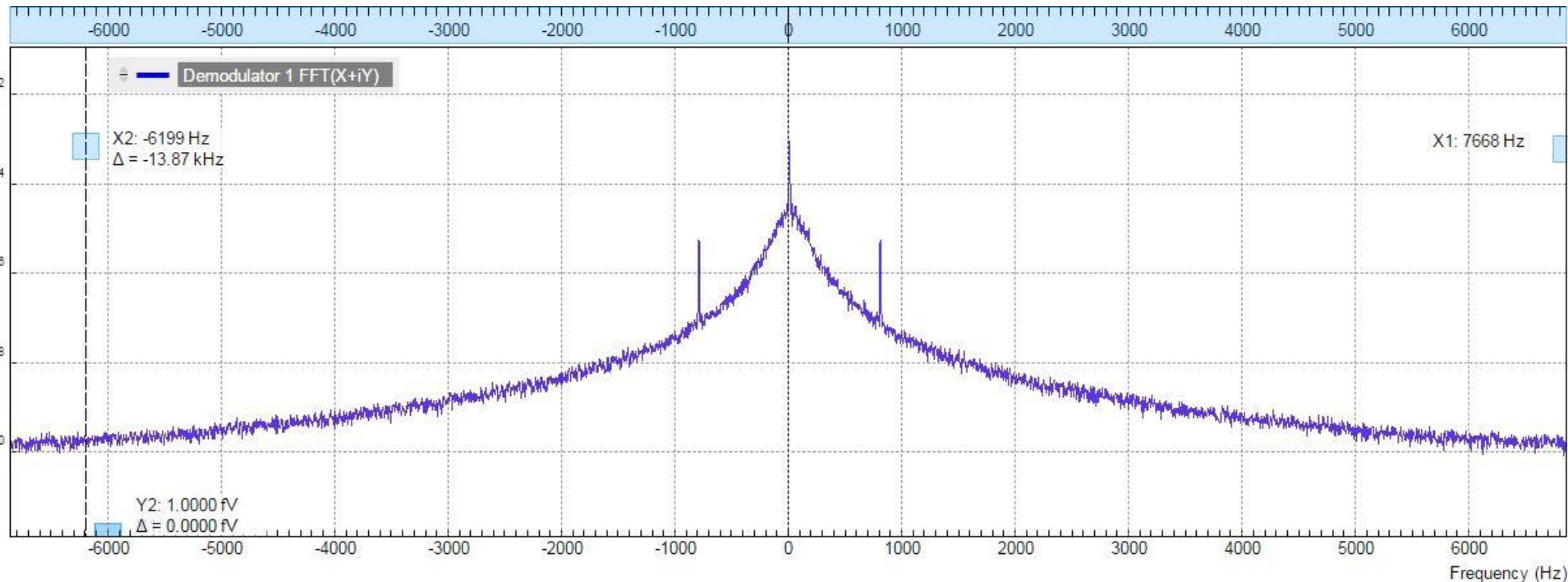
Output 1
On 50 Ω
Range 1.5V
Offset (V) 0.000

Output 2
On 50 Ω
Range 150 mV
Offset (V) 0.000

Scope x Numeric x Sweeper x PID x Plotter x MOD x Add Row x



Combining DFRT & KPFM method ?



Second eigenmode for bias modulation with mechanical frequency tracking

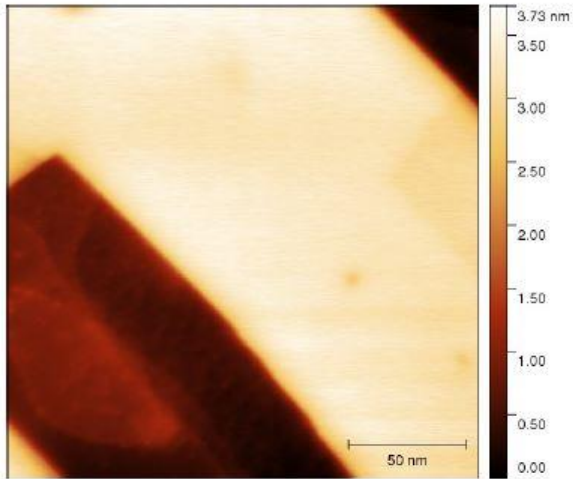
1. Carrier is electrostatically driven
2. Sidebands are mechanical modulated

More KPFM imaging...

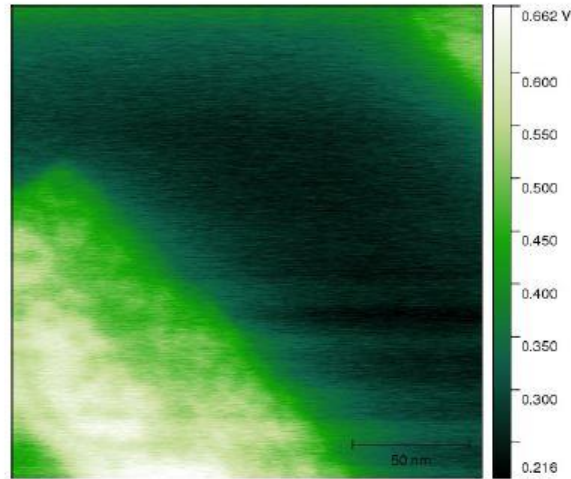
Cu(111) on KBr - 300mV V_{ac} @ second eigenmode (f2)

AM-KPFM

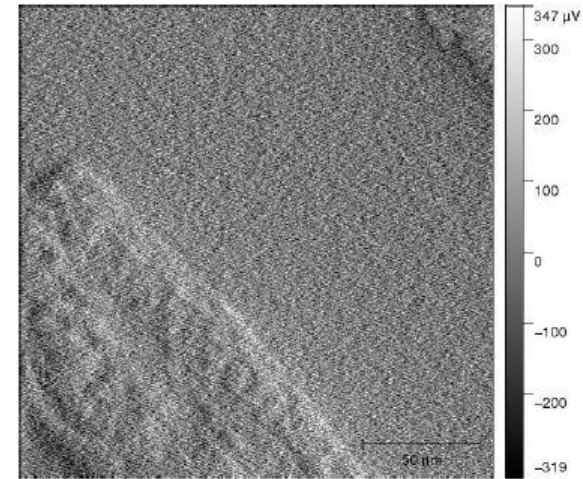
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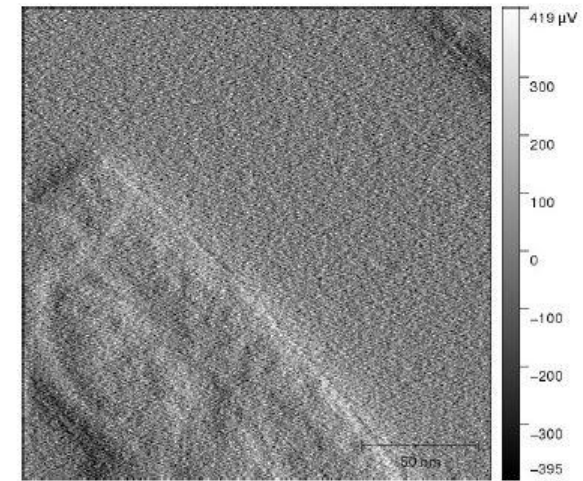
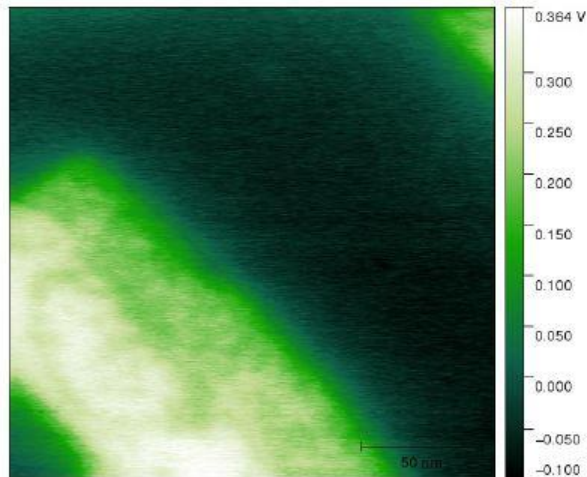
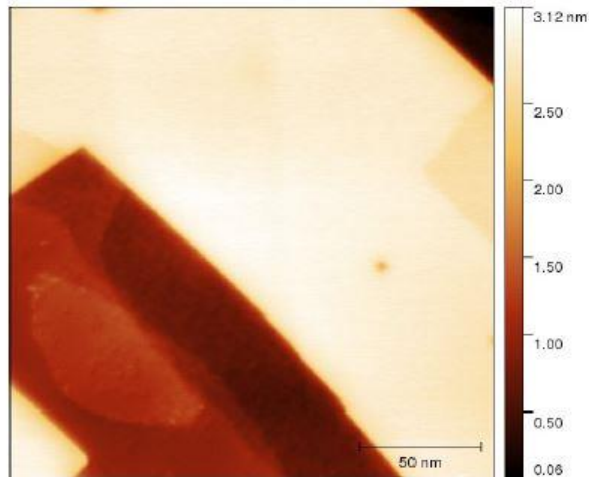
CPD



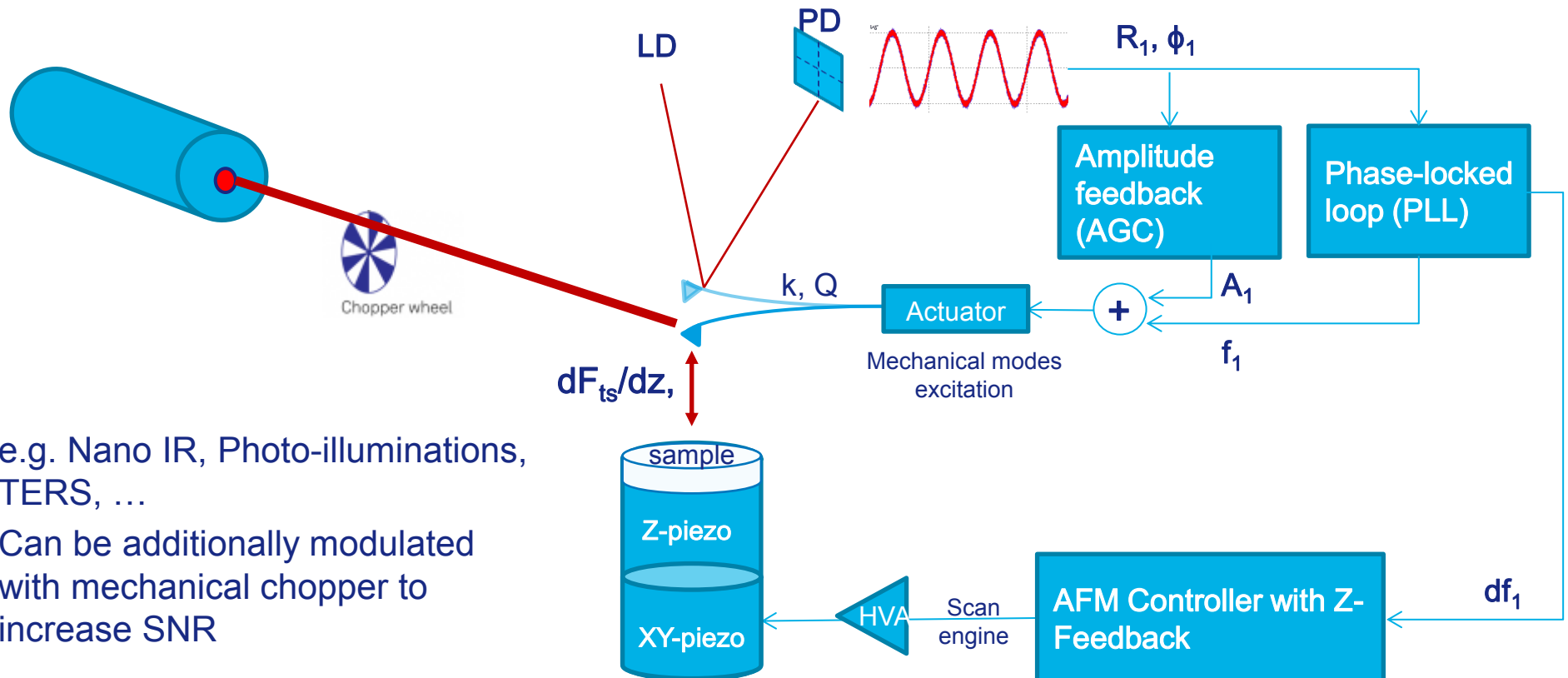
Lock-In X



DFRT-AM-KPFM

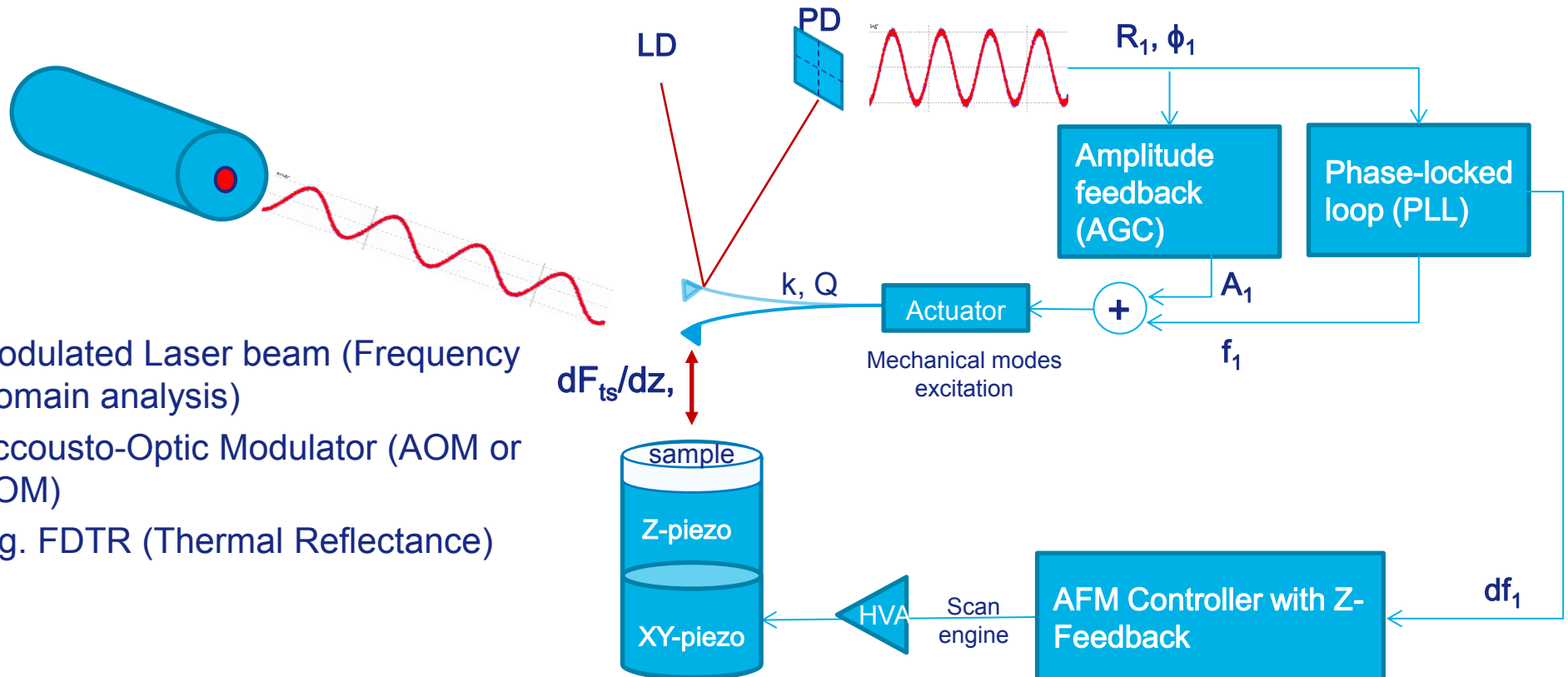


AFM & laser case 1: static illumination



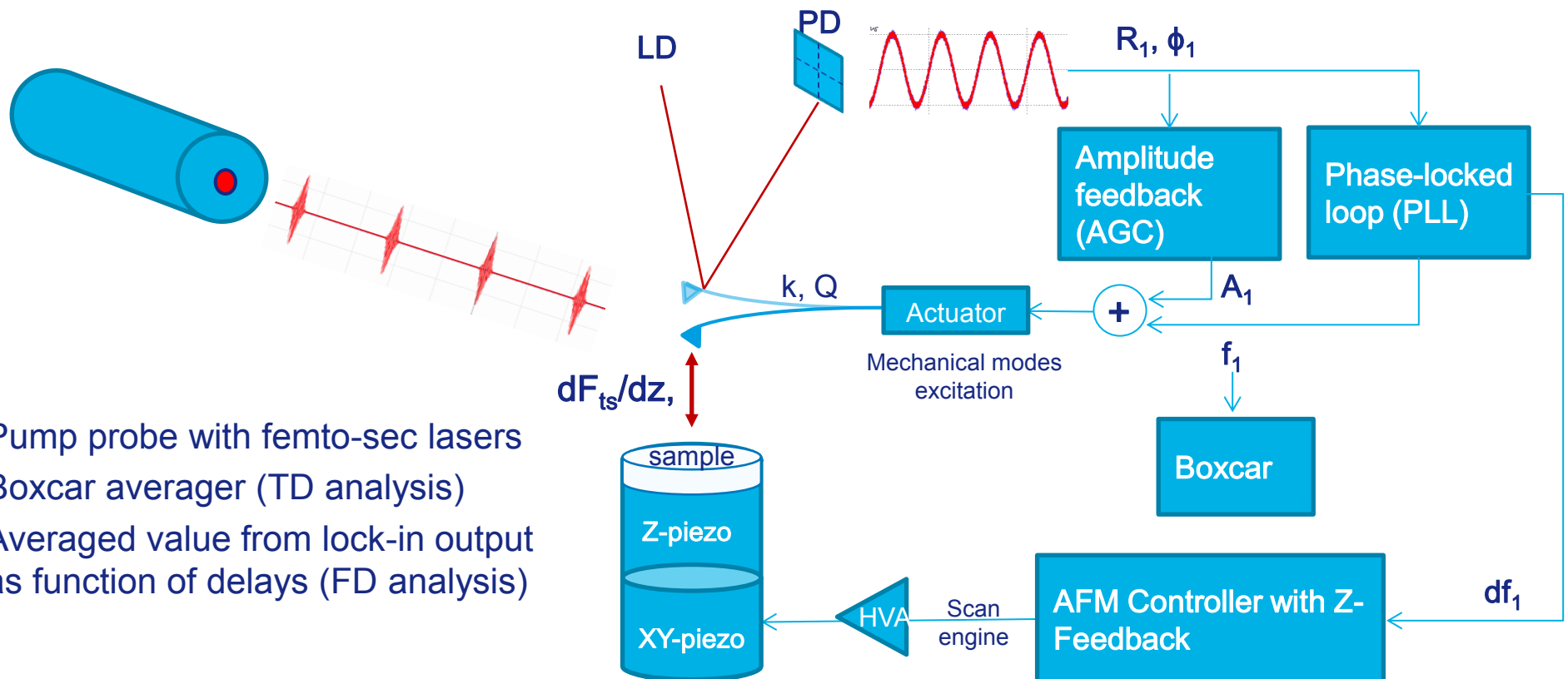
- e.g. Nano IR, Photo-illuminations, TERS, ...
- Can be additionally modulated with mechanical chopper to increase SNR

AFM & laser case 2 modulated laser beam



- Modulated Laser beam (Frequency Domain analysis)
- Accousto-Optic Modulator (AOM or EOM)
- e.g. FDTR (Thermal Reflectance)

AFM & laser case 3: pulsed illumination



- Pump probe with femto-sec lasers
- Boxcar averager (TD analysis)
- Averaged value from lock-in output as function of delays (FD analysis)

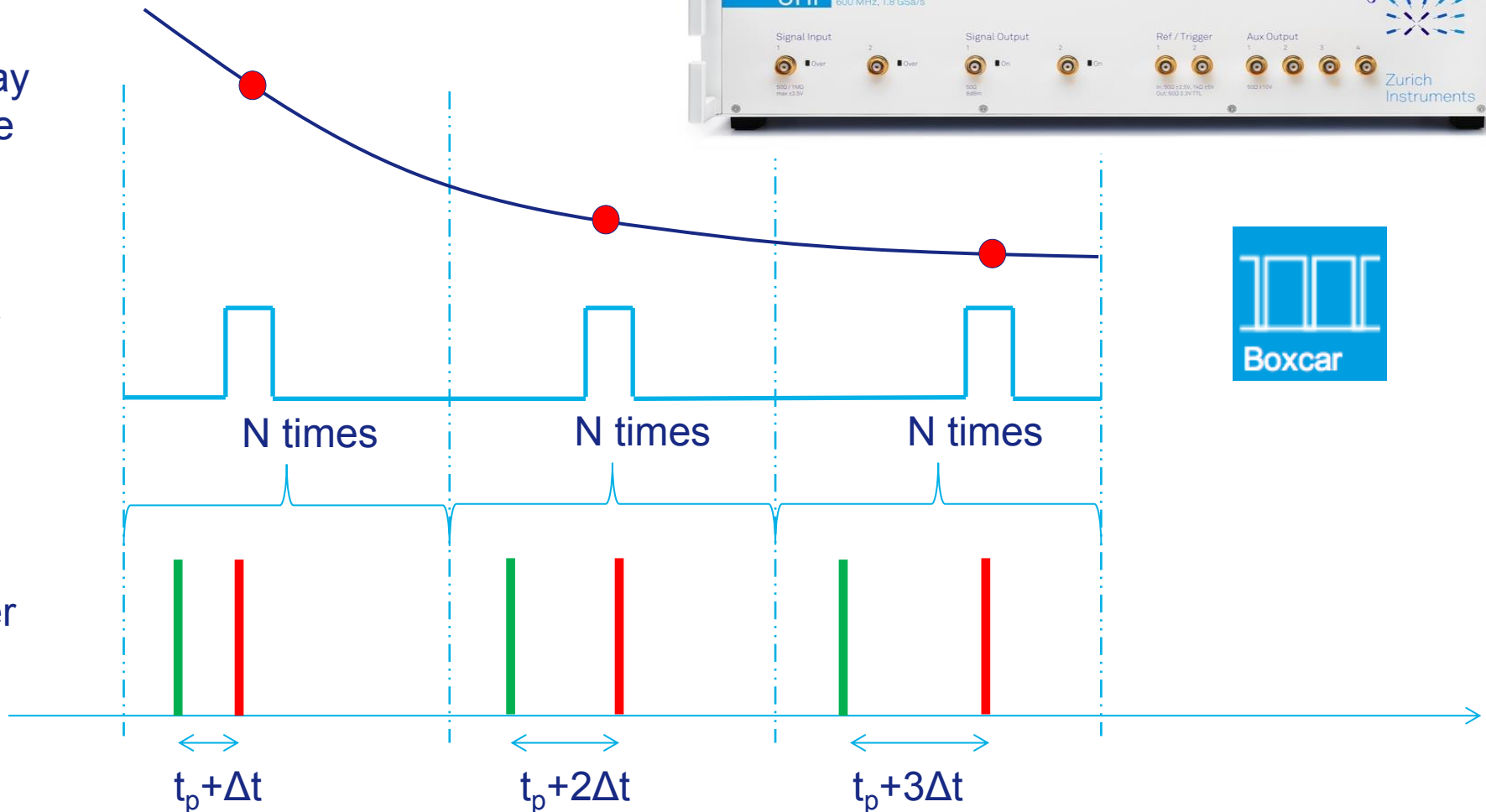
Time-resolved SPM : laser pump-probe with BOX



Decay curve

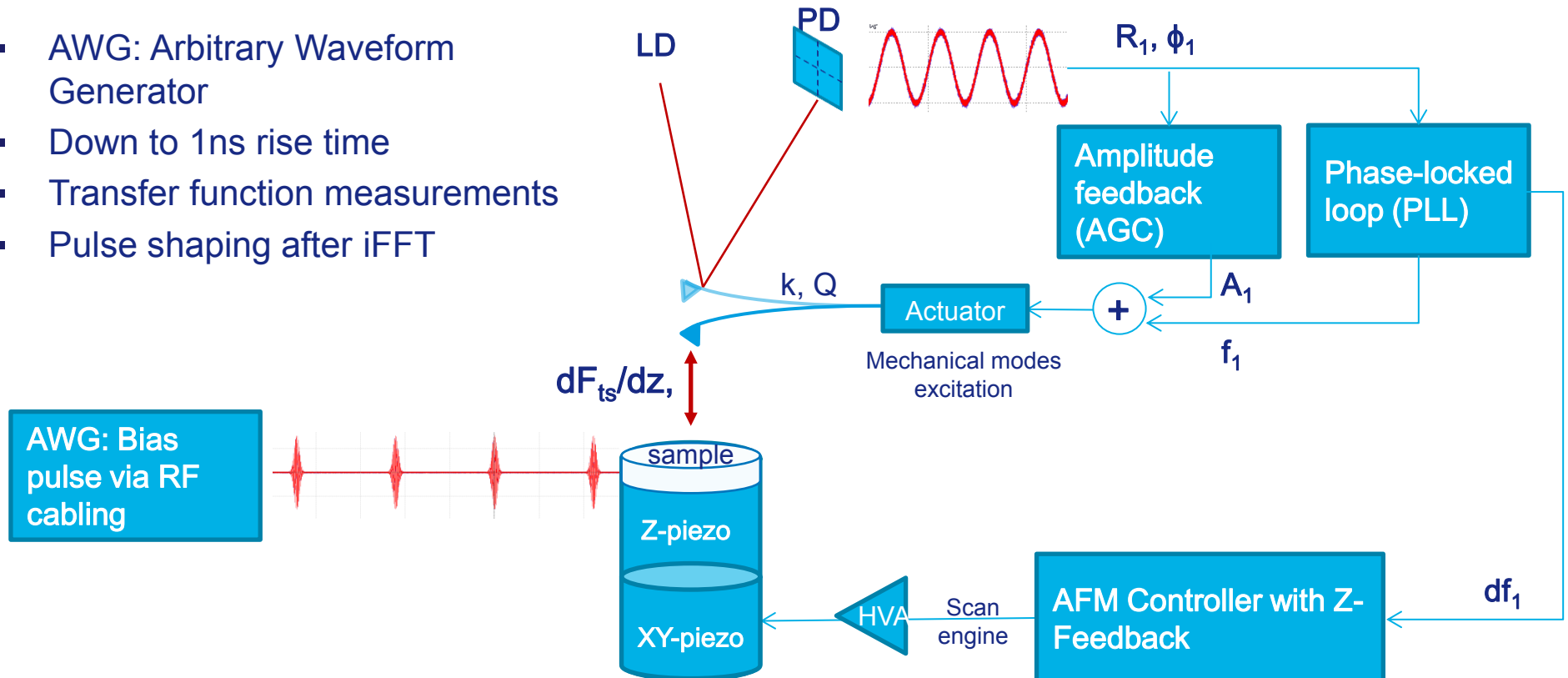
BOX

Laser



Time resolved SPM without lasers: electrical pump&probe

- AWG: Arbitrary Waveform Generator
- Down to 1ns rise time
- Transfer function measurements
- Pulse shaping after iFFT



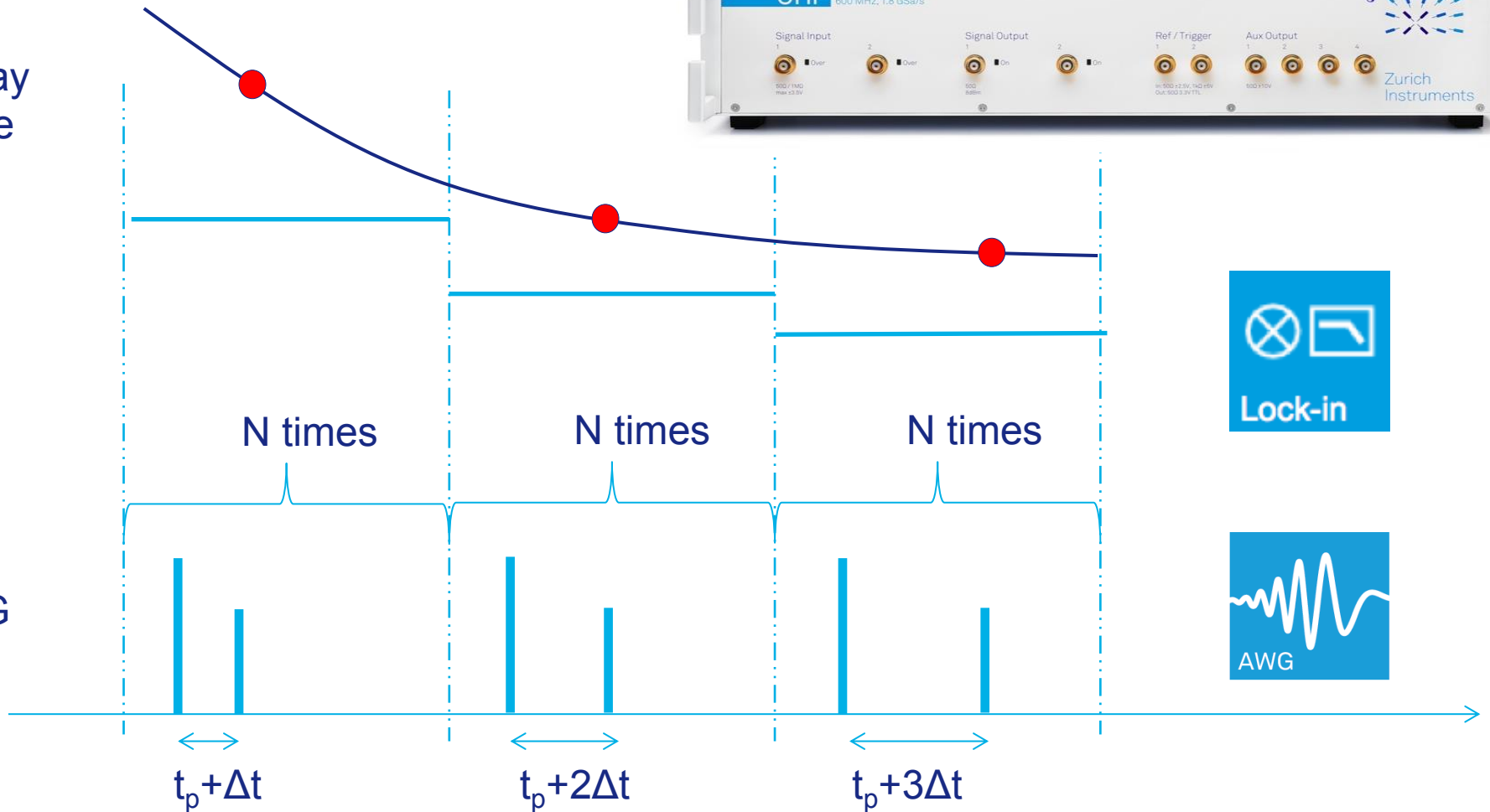
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Decay curve

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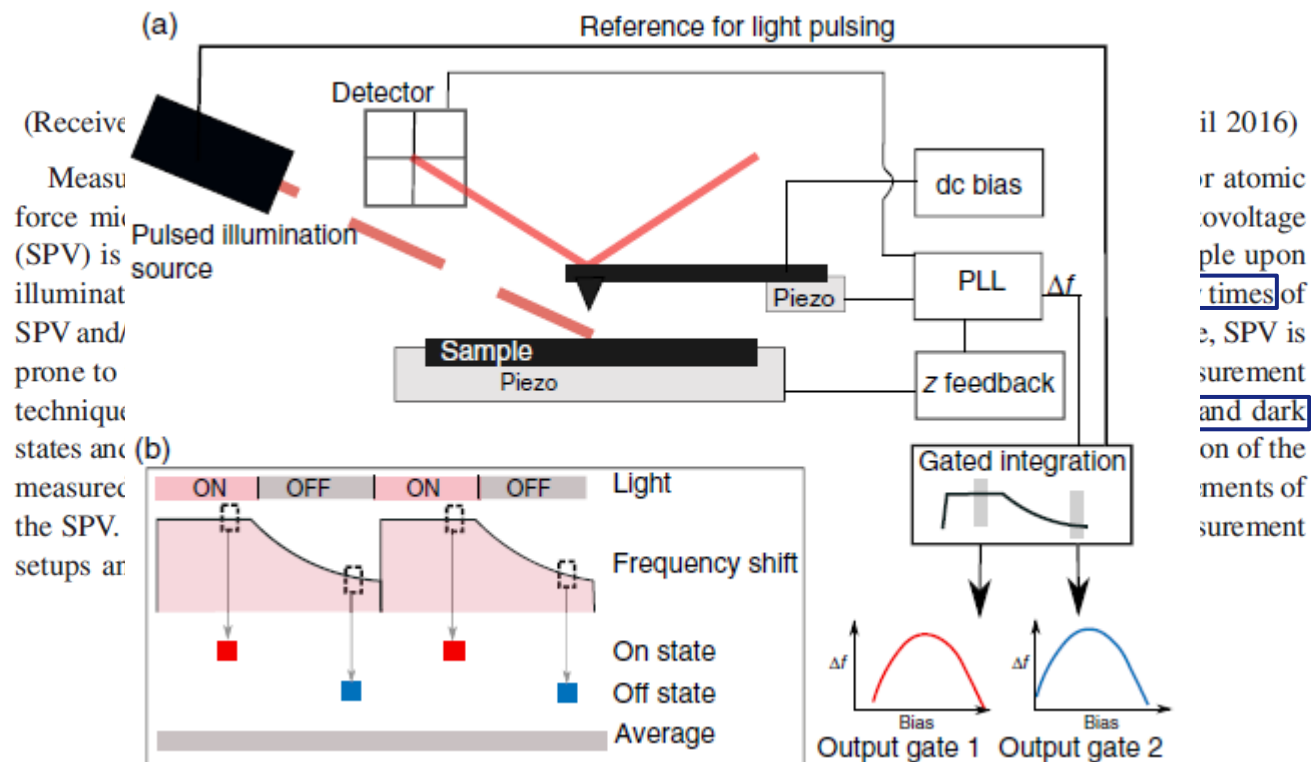
AWG



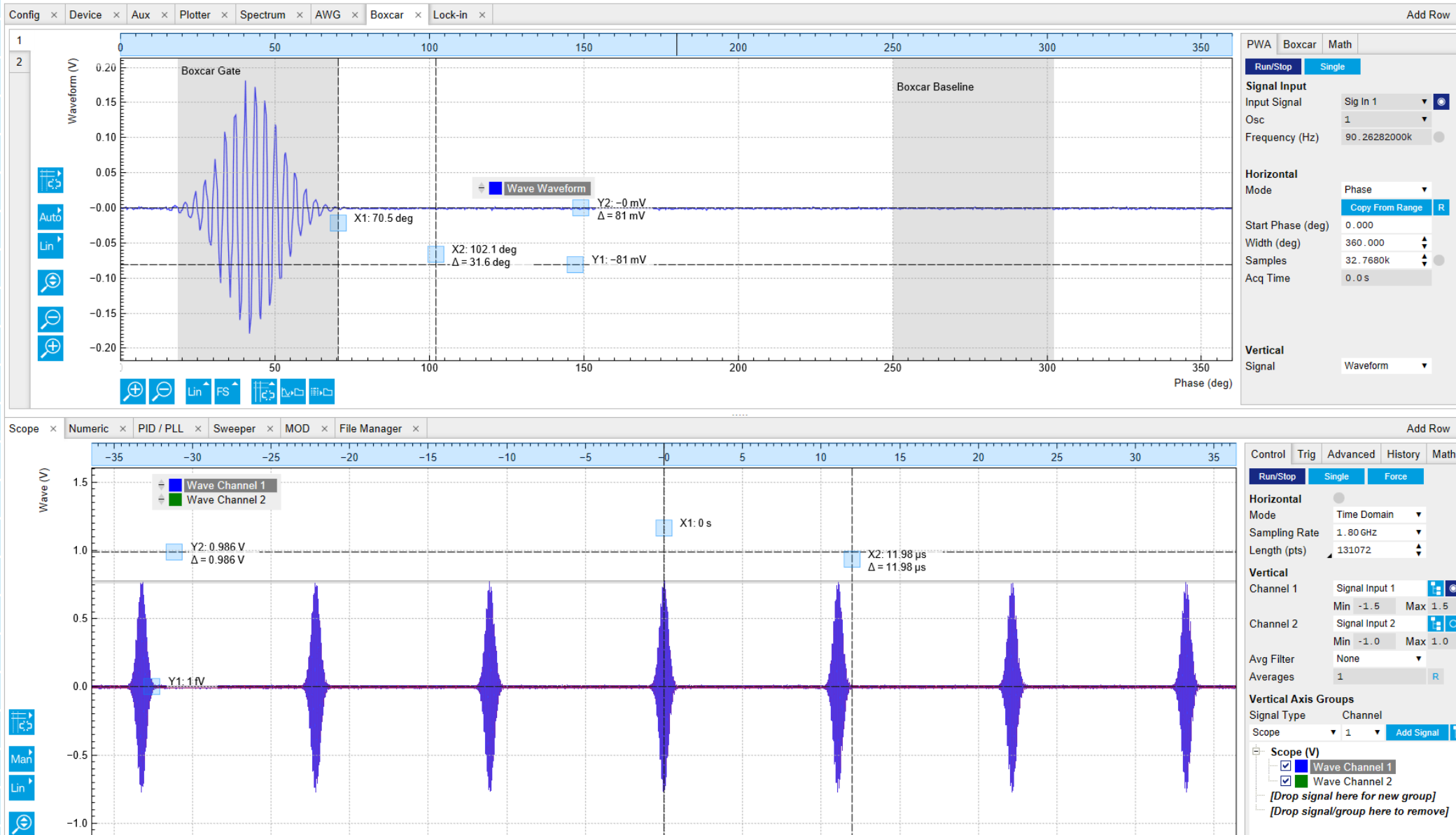
Concrete example: time-domain modulated frequency shift for KPFM

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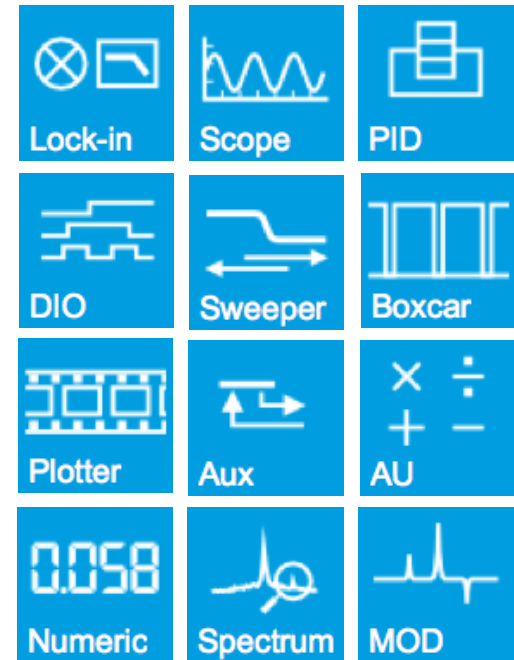


From AWG to Boxcar

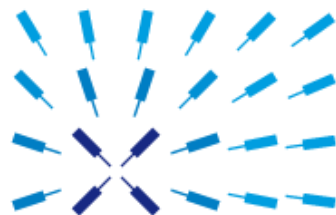


Conclusion: The Benefit of Digital

- Zurich Instruments integrates in one box
 - Lock-in (6/8 demodulators)
 - Dual signal generator
 - Oscilloscope / Digitizer
 - FFT / Spectrum Analyzer
 - Boxcar Integrator
 - Frequency Sweeper
 - PLL / PID Controller
- Most SPM modes available with Basic HF2LI Lock-in configuration and upgradable later with options (PLL, PID, MOD,...).
- Increase Demodulation Speed and reduce pixel dwell time



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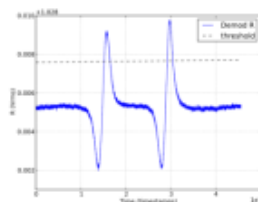
Synchronisation of HF2LI/UHFLI with External Scan Engines for Image Acquisition

on 10.09.2014 at 23:50 by Romain Stomp on Blog of Romain Stomp

Since a lock-in amplifier is most of all used for synchronous measurements, it comes at no surprise that many HF2 or UHF users want to synchronize saved demodulated sample with their scan generator either for mapping, scanning or imaging in [...]

Loading data saved from the LabOne UI in Python

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