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TOWARDS A MORE ENERGY-EFFICIENT
AND SUSTAINABLE PATH

THE KITTEN TEST FACILITY AND THE RESEARCH FACILITY 2.0 PROJECT FOR SUSTAINABLE RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURES

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- KIT Test Center for Energy Efficiency and Grid Stability.
- A joint venture between the accelerator KARA and the test field Energy Lab 2.0.



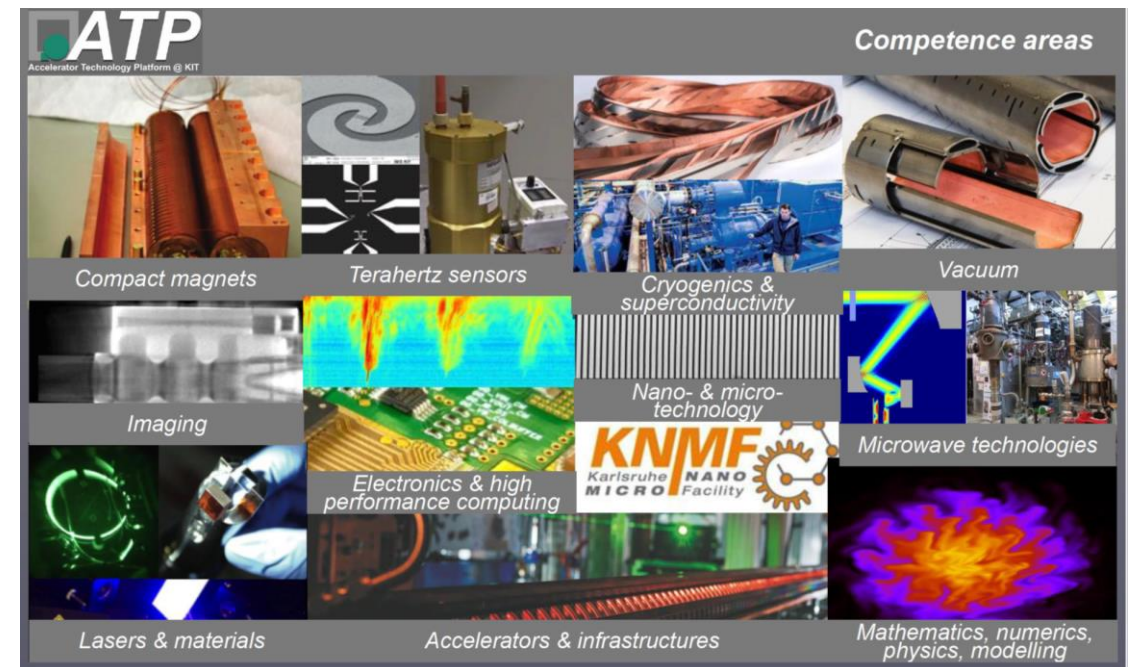
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- Improving the energy use and power quality in large research infrastructures.
- Component  System level: Incorporating ideas for energy efficiency and sustainability into both new and existing accelerators.



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- KITEEN is embedded in the Accelerator Technology Platform (ATP) at KIT.
- ATP: Developing the accelerator technologies of the future, create new designs for the large-scale research infrastructures, and to operate them.





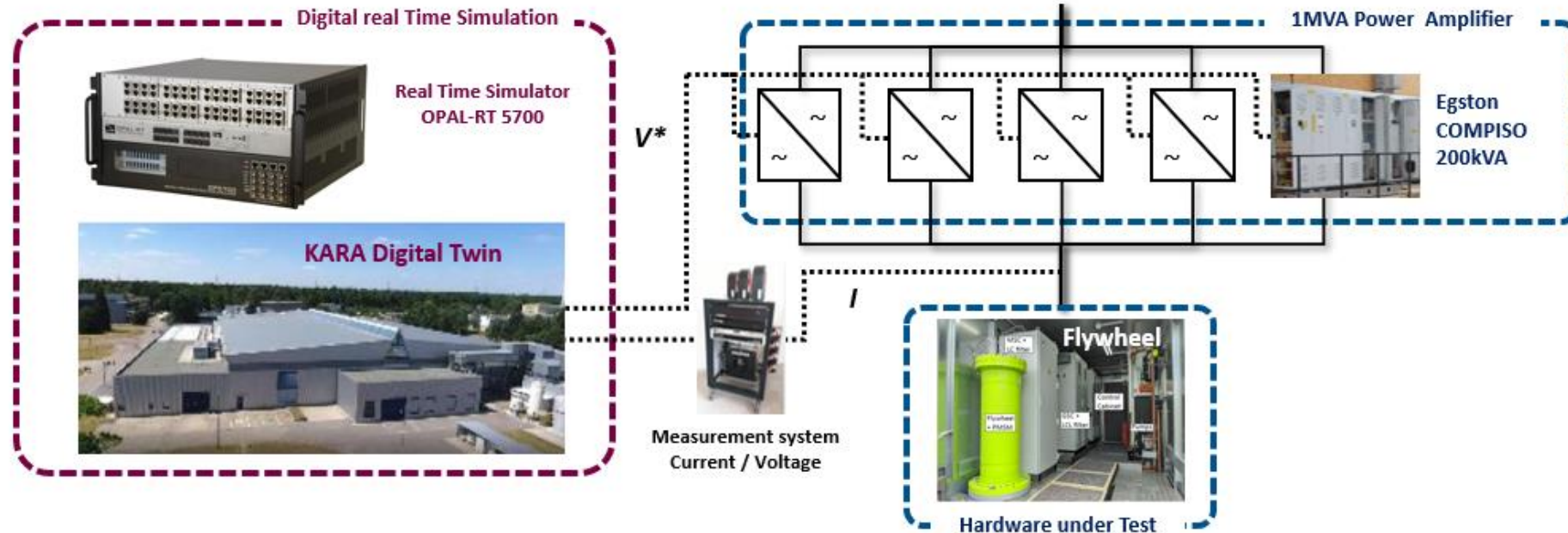
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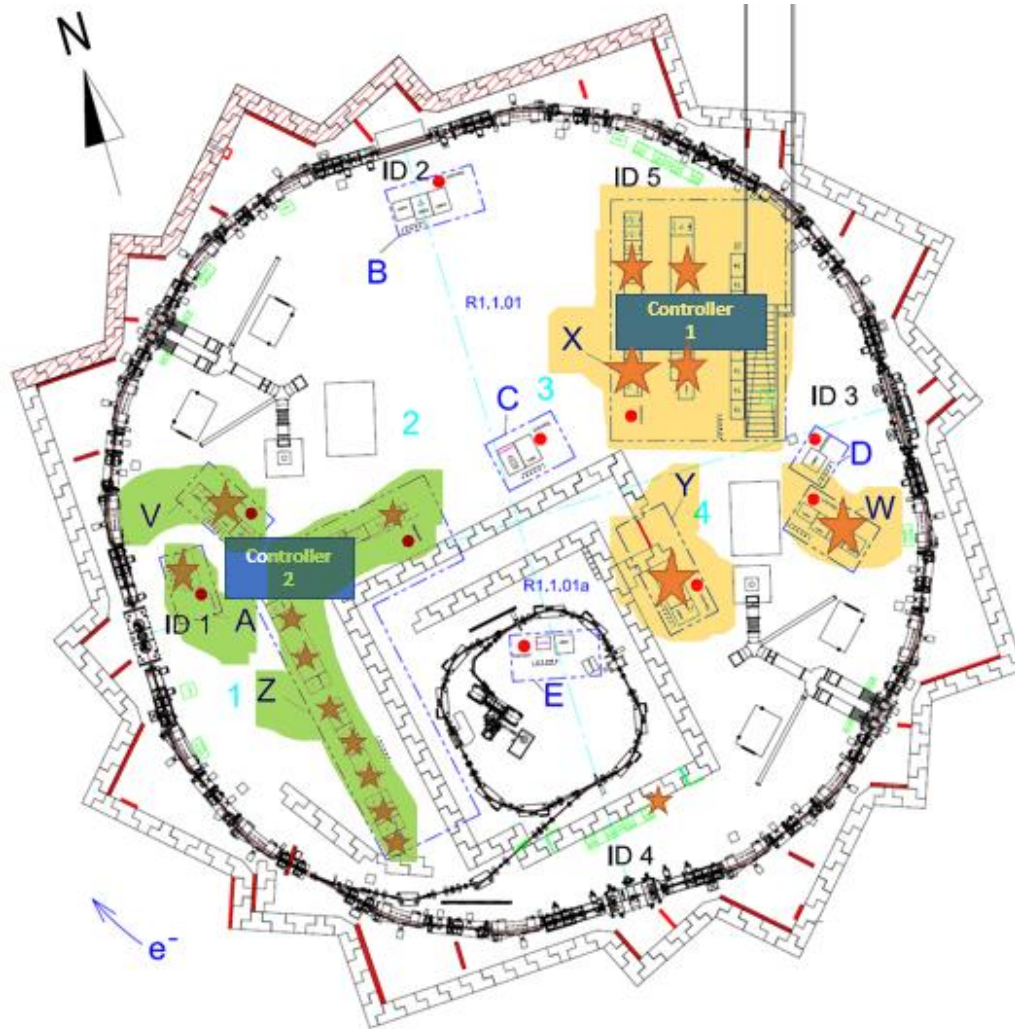
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LATEST EFFORTS

KARA DIGITAL TWIN

- Digital replica of KARA: develop and validate new energy solutions, real-time monitoring and responsive decision-making.
- Possibility of experimental validation by means of Power Hardware In the Loop (PHIL) and explore flexible grid services.



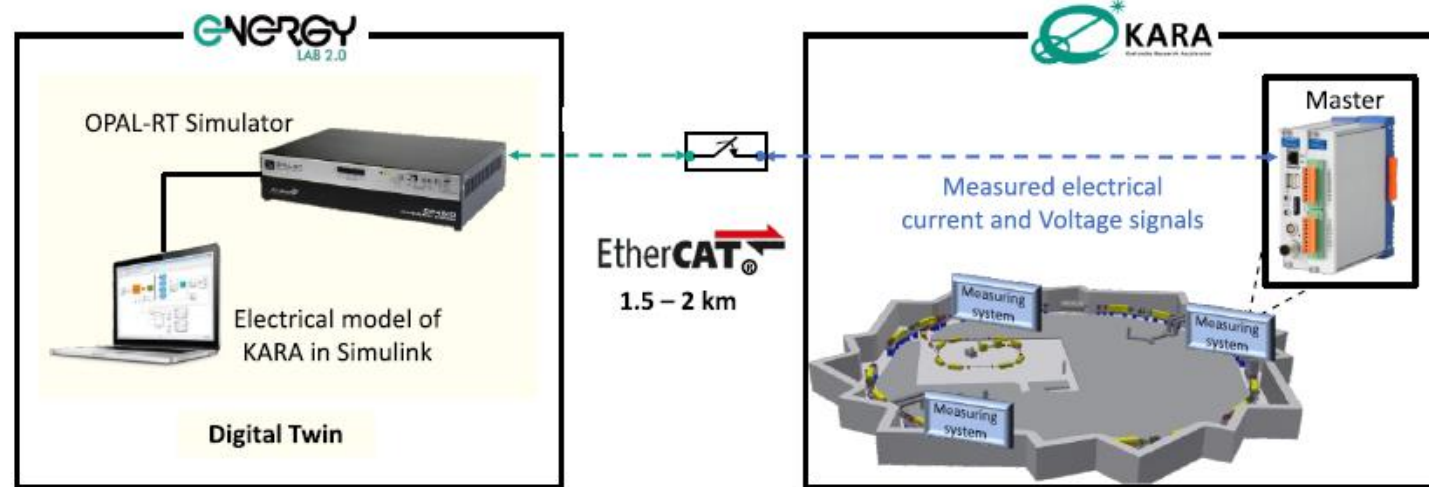


Installation of voltage and current sensors (>60) for fast data acquisition (Gantner A127).

Installation and tests of two fast data acquisition systems (Gantner Q.station and Q.sync).

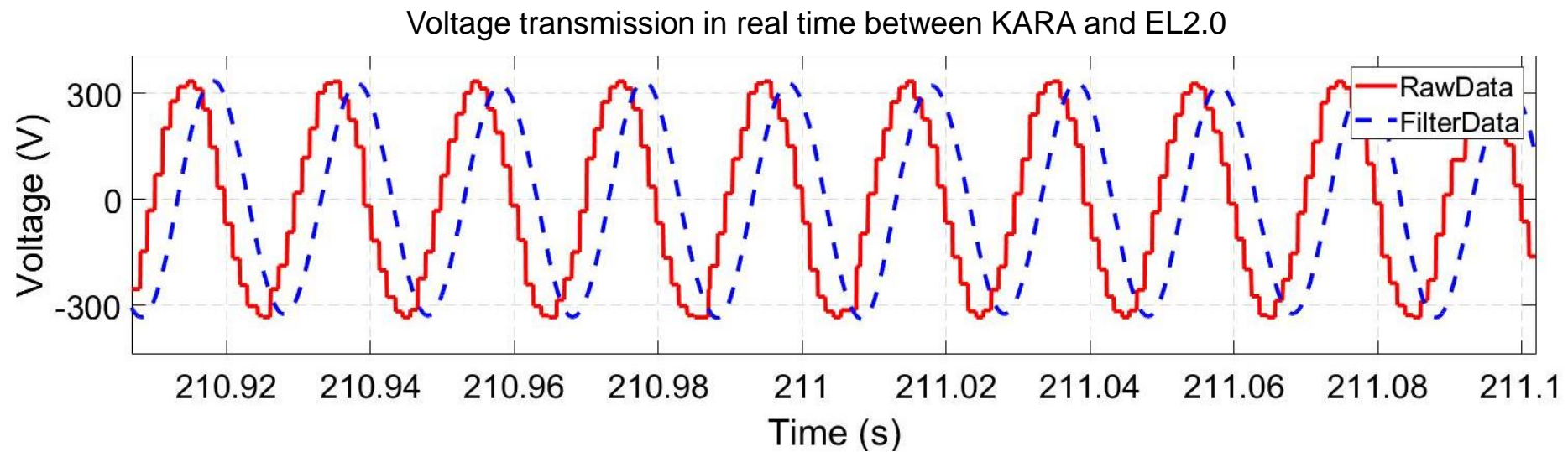
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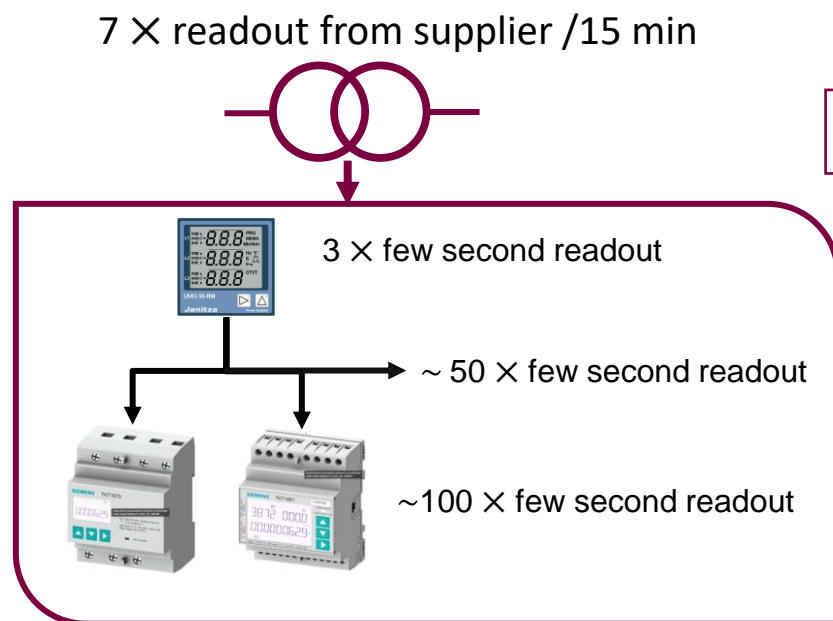
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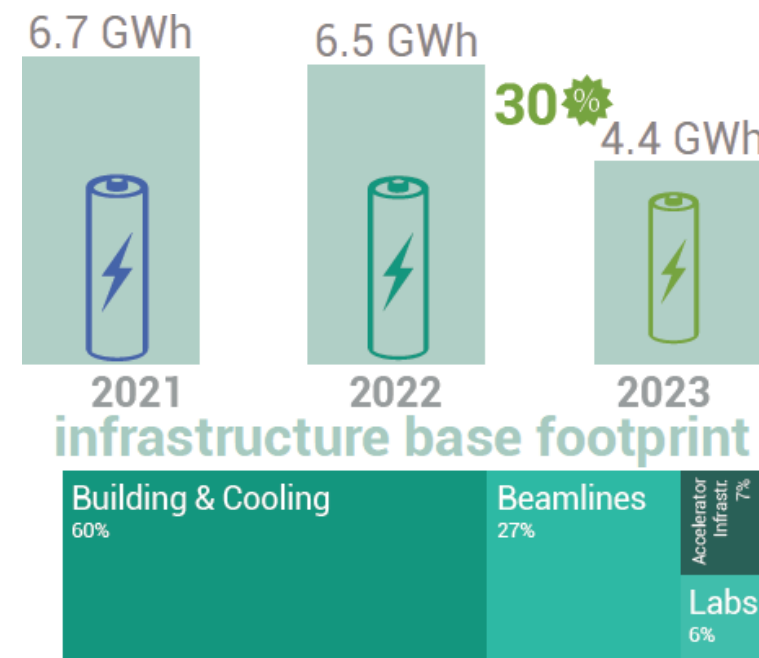


ENERGY-EFFICIENT ACCELERATORS

- Analysis of the main power consumers at KARA.
 - As a reference: analysis of the effect of super conducting insertion devices [[J. Gethmann , et al., 2024](#)].
- Decrease of the stand-by power consumption by 30 % of before KITTEN.



Informed actions





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**RESEARCH FACILITY 2.0
(RF2.0)**

CALL: HORIZON-INFRA-2023-TECH-01

NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND SOLUTIONS FOR REDUCING THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE FOOTPRINT OF RIS

Scope

- Delivering innovative technologies and solutions which reduce the environmental and climate footprint of RIs.
- Identifying common methodologies to assess environmental impact and strategies to reduce it.

Expected outcomes

- Reduction of environmental impacts.
- Optimization of resource and energy consumption through the full life cycle of RIs.
- Increased long-term sustainability of European RIs.

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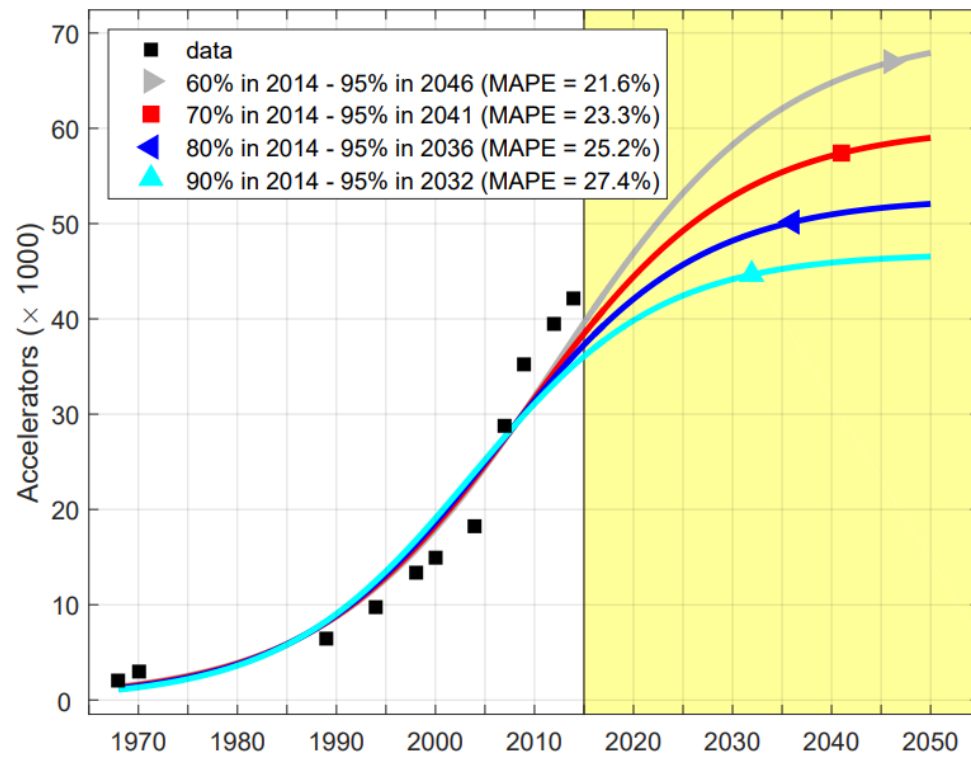


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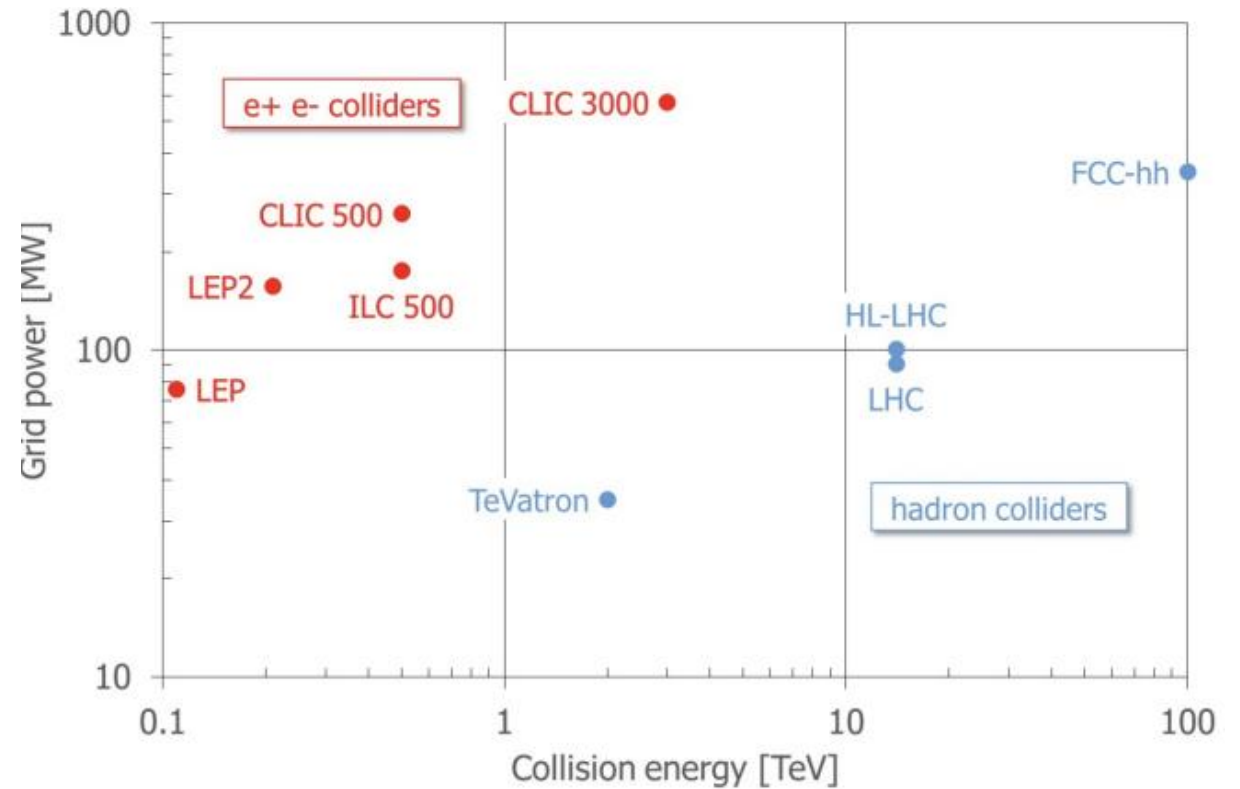


CHALLENGES

Growing number of accelerators

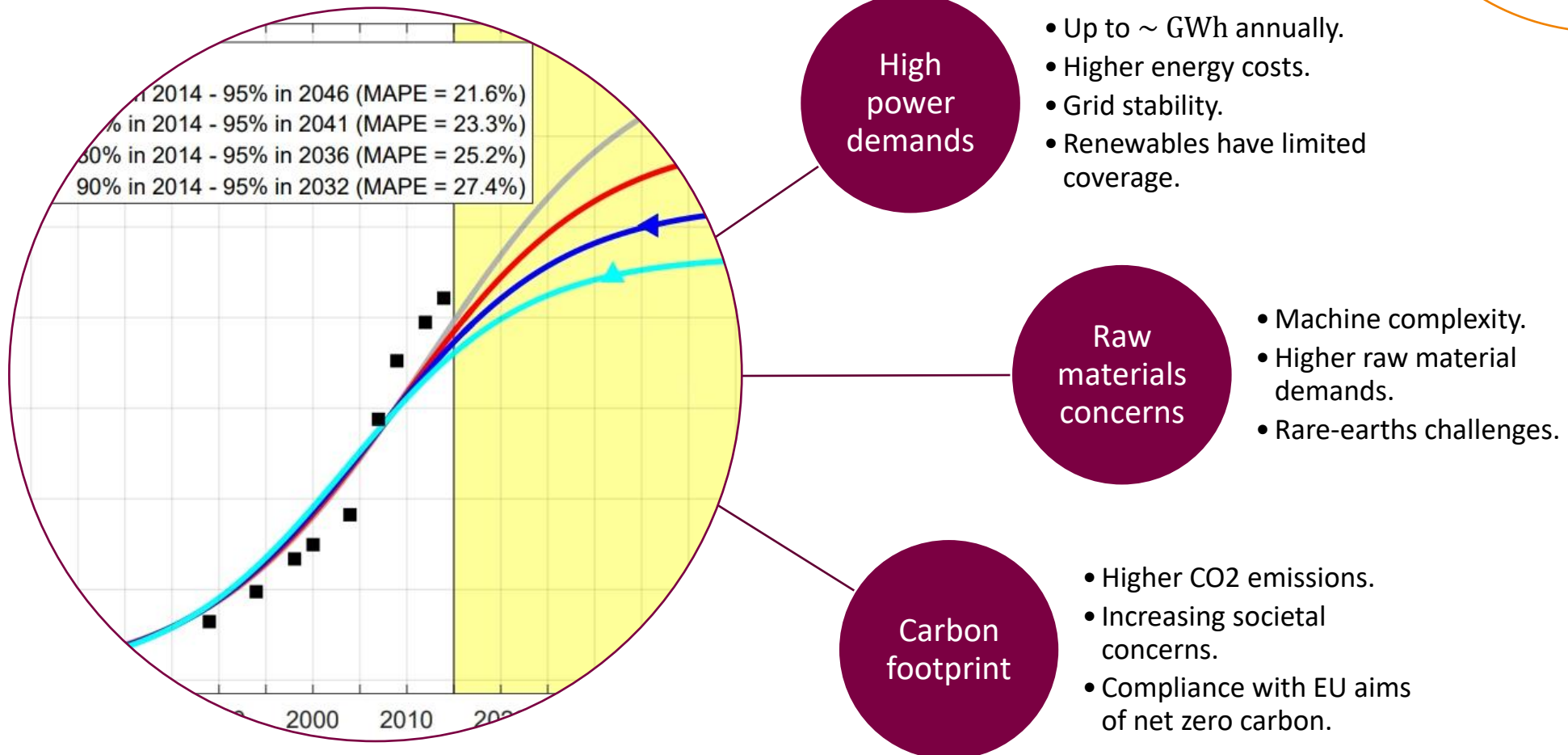


High power demands

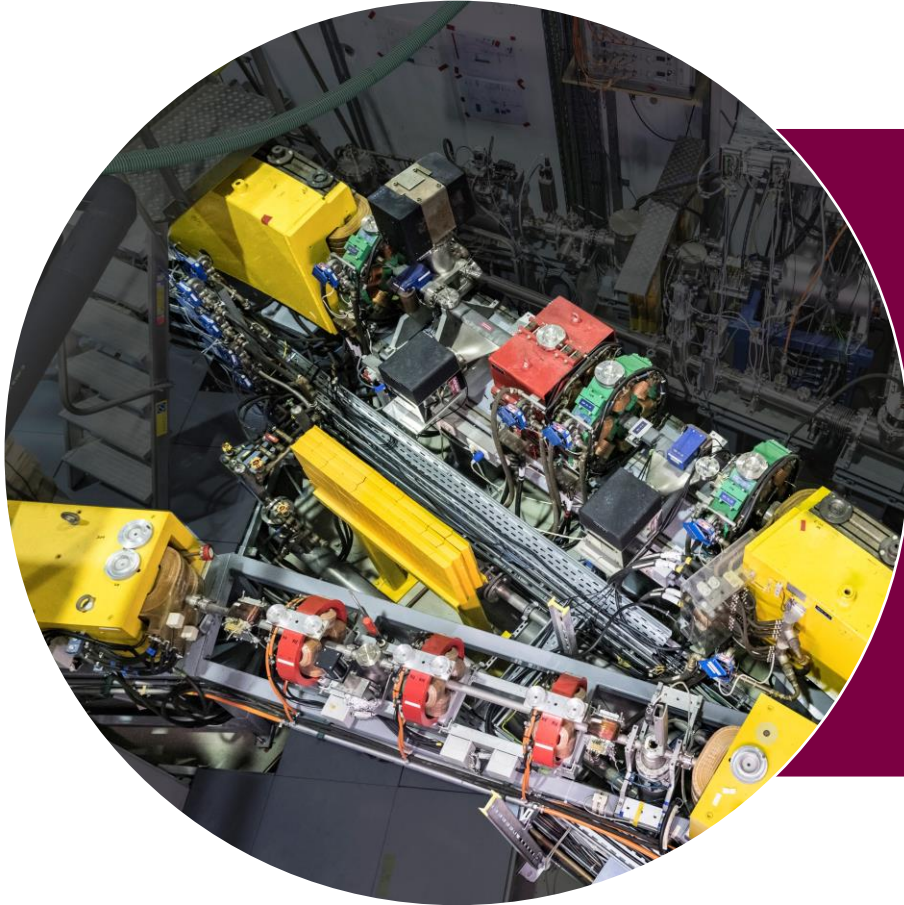


[Paolo Castelnovo, 2018], [M. Bai, et al., 2022]

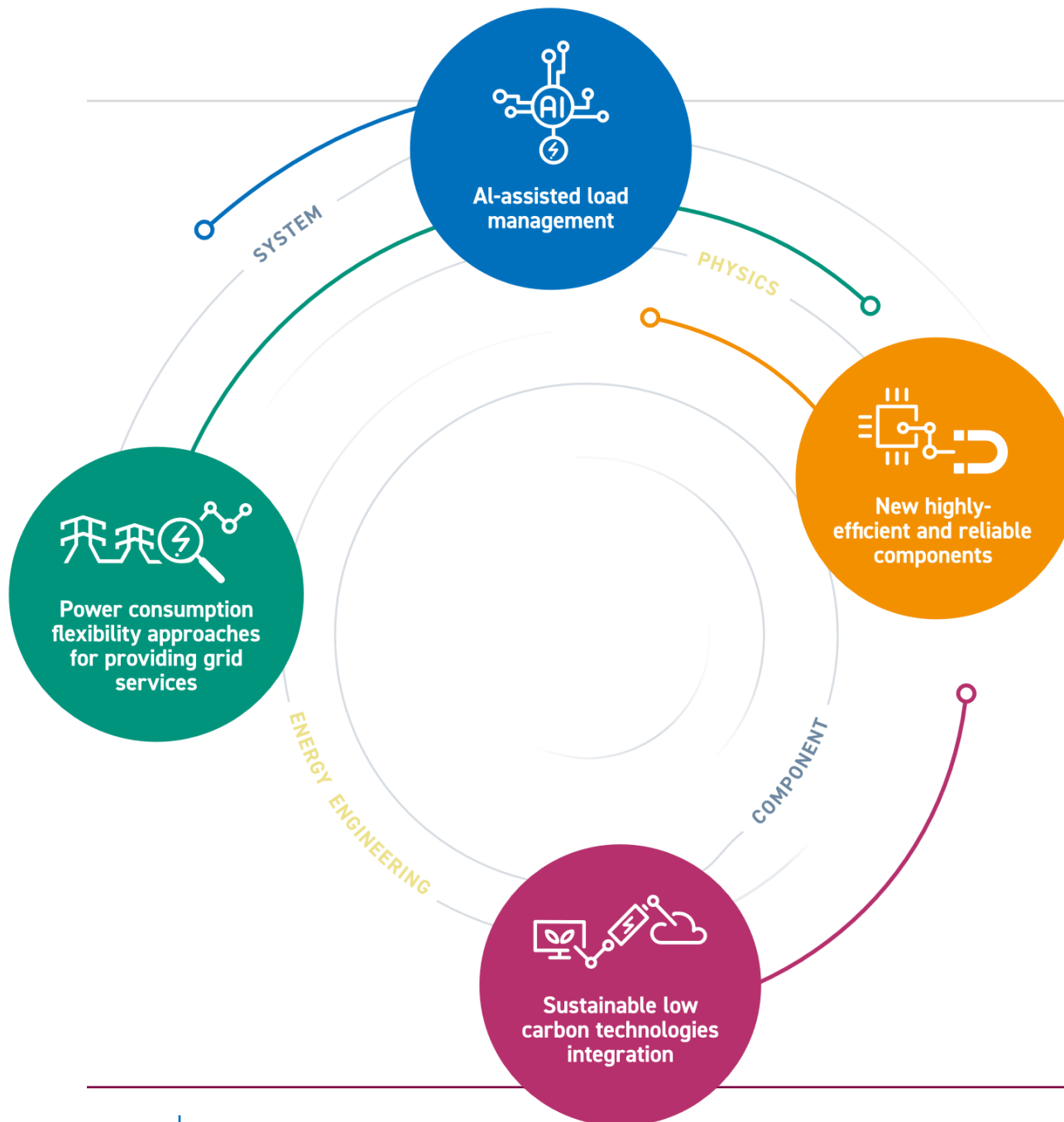
CHALLENGES: NOT ONLY POWER DEMANDS



VISION



The RF2.0 partners vision is to design, operate and supply accelerators anytime in a secure and stable way on 100% renewable energy, i.e., almost independently from the public power grid, while reducing their environmental impact.

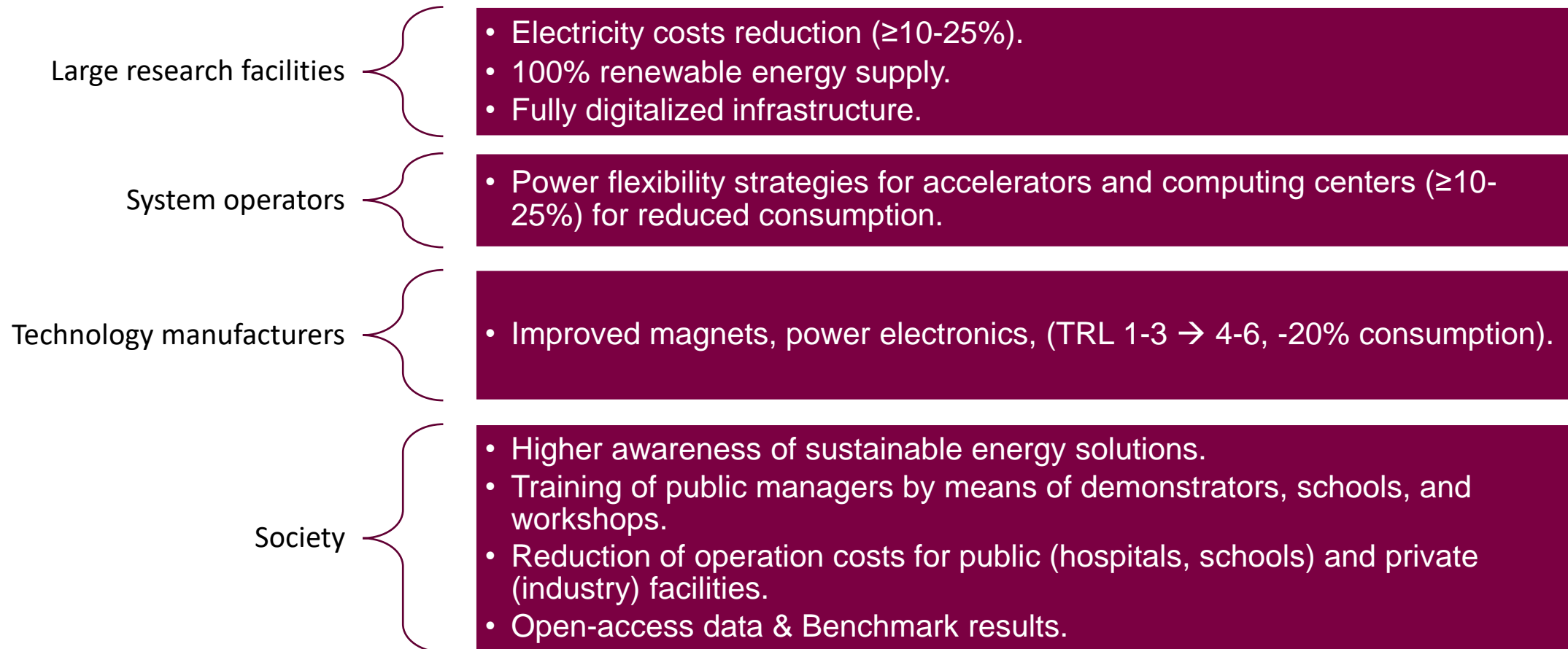


RF2.0 APPROACH

The RF2.0 partners have identified several bottlenecks towards this goal: at component and system level, involving both the physics and the energy technology topics in an interdisciplinary and unique approach.



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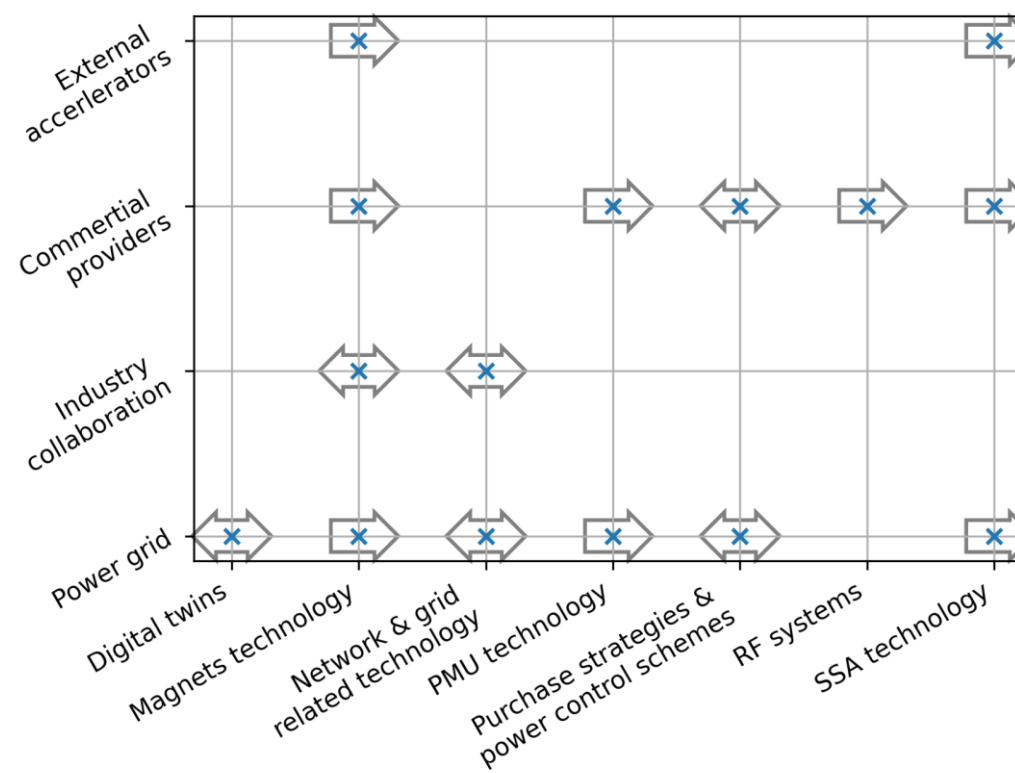
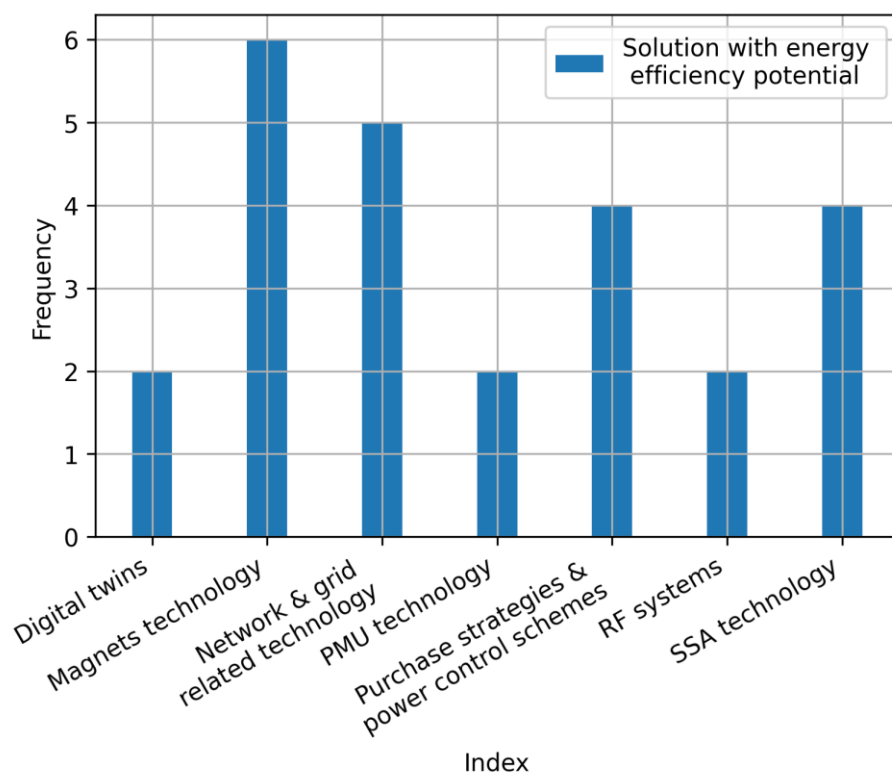
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INITIAL RESULTS

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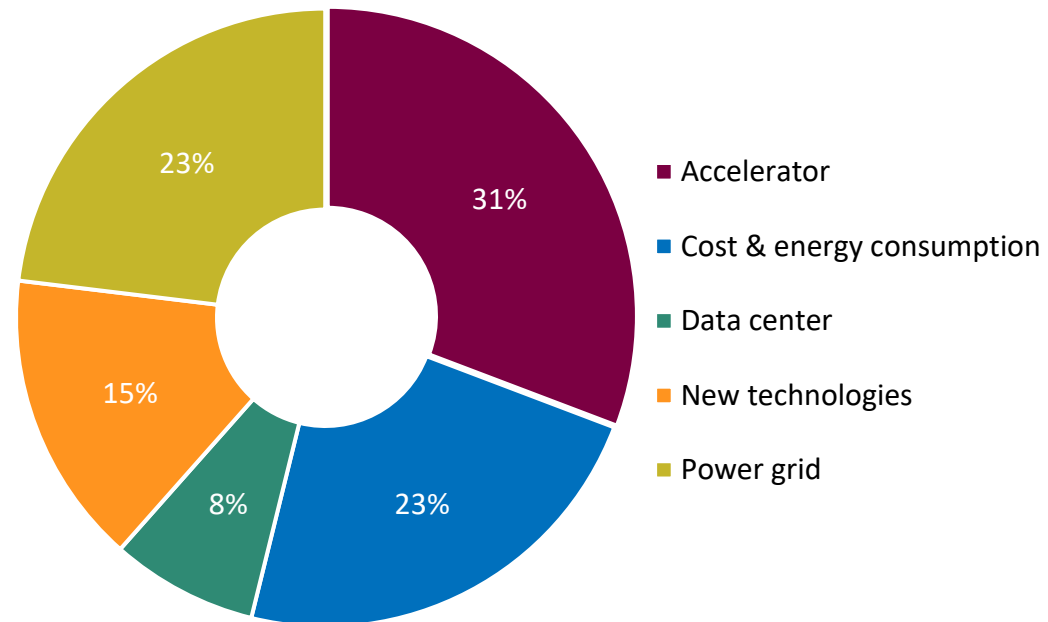
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TOPICS OF SUSTAINABILITY GOALS



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Main Metric	Quantifying unit	Example
Energy/operation	kWh/operation-hour	Total energy consumption of an accelerator in a year
GHG/operation	CO2e/operation-hour	Reduce frequency of servers according to provisioning with renewable energy
Material/operation	kg/operation-hour	LCA to analyse costs of all demonstrator magnets' inputs
Energy/science	kWh/scientific output capacity	Minimize TAT: $TAT \approx TAT_{\min, \text{theory}}$
GHG/science	CO2e/scientific output capacity	Shift computing jobs to times when renewables are abundant
Material/science	kg/scientific output capacity	Minimize component's volume per unit nominal field: $\frac{V}{Field_{\max}} \leq \frac{V_{\text{ref}}}{Field_{\max, \text{ref}}}$

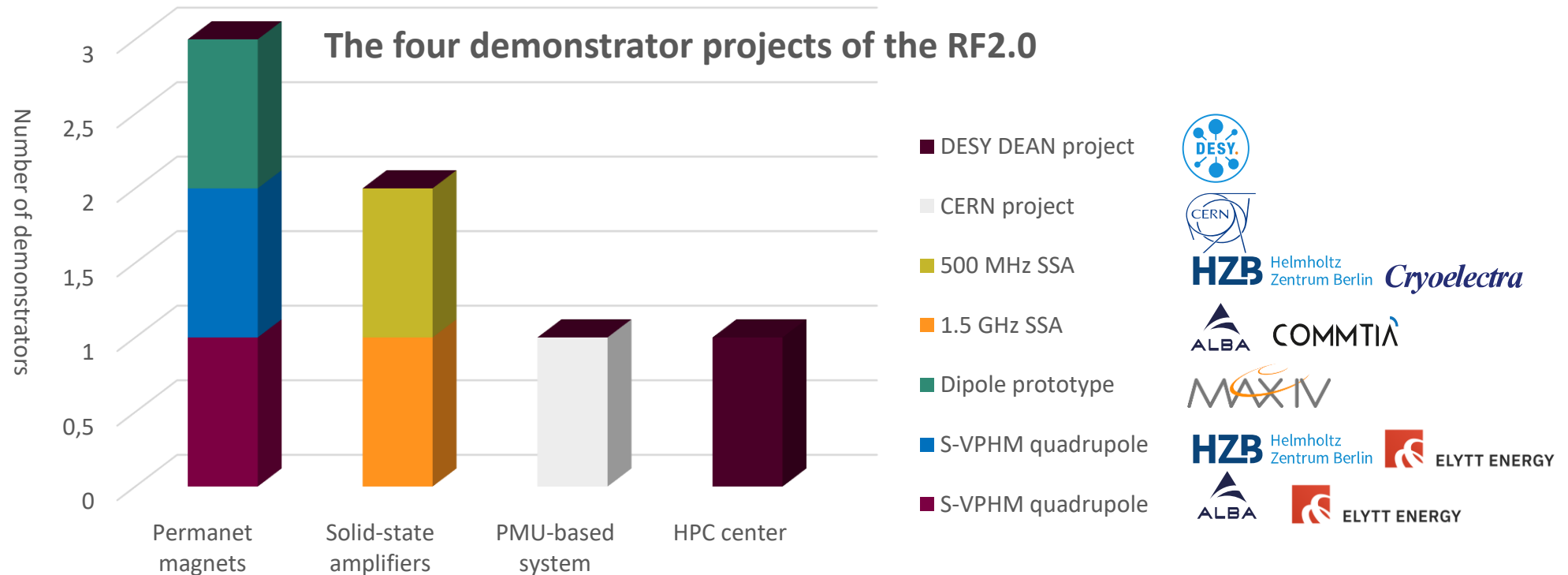


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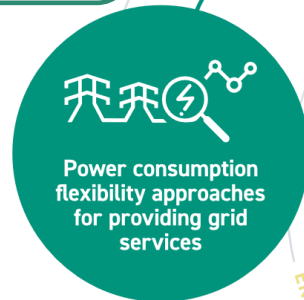
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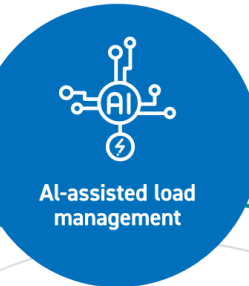
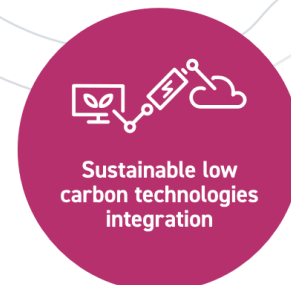
Increase the sustainability of large research facilities in the electrical system

- Power electronics and DC grids.
- Fast measurement systems (phasor measurement units).
- Energy costs and resources analysis.



Integration and optimal operations of sustainable low carbon technologies

- Energy storage systems and technologies (batteries, supercaps, hydrogen).
- Flexible power consumption in HPC centers/ renewable power-driven scientific computing.



Improve the efficiency operations in large research facilities using AI

- New energy management approaches using AI.
- Digital twins of accelerators components and systems.



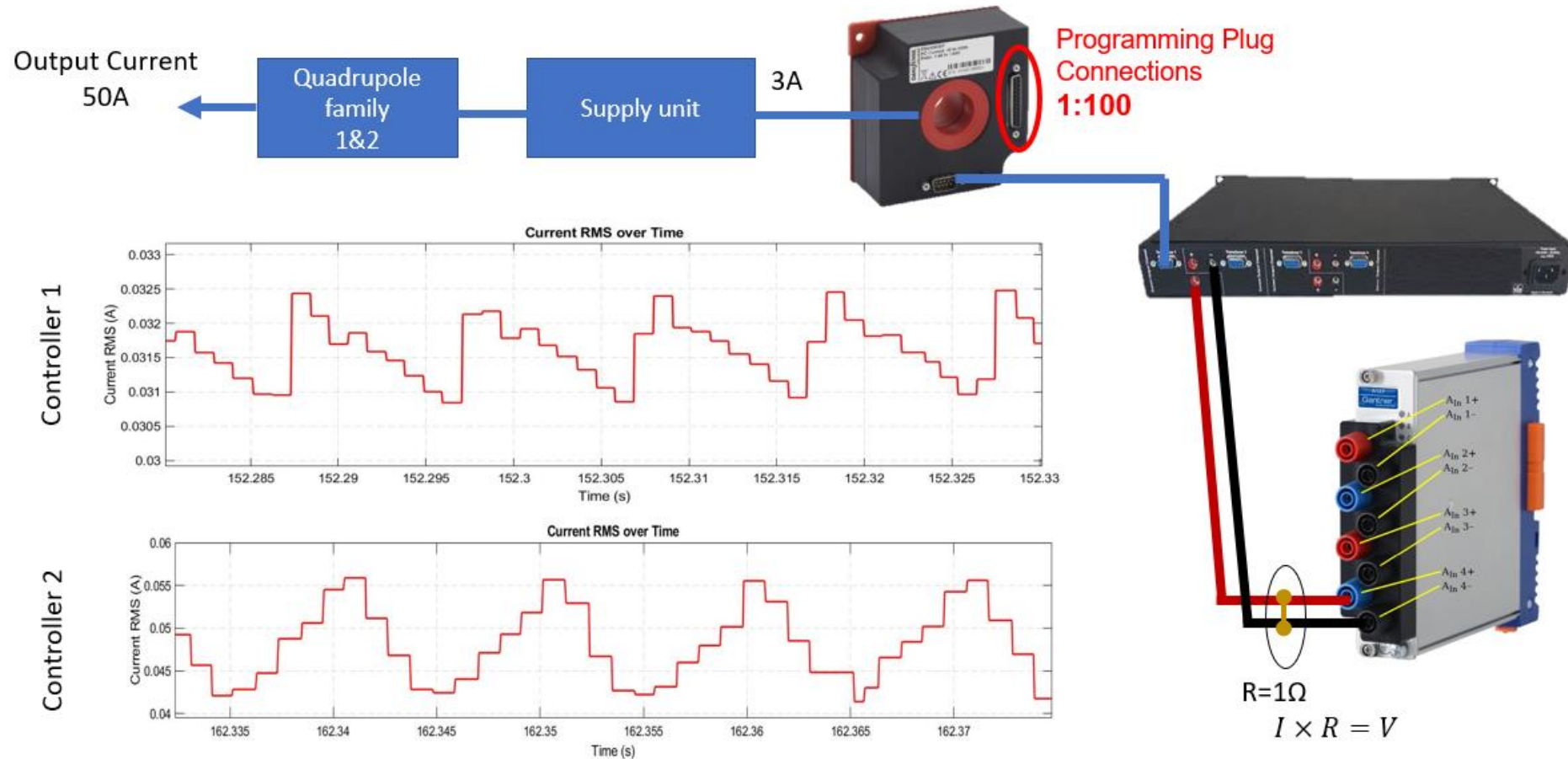
New materials and components targeting an efficiency increase

- Permanent magnets.
- Semiconductor technologies.
- Solid-state amplifiers.

COMPONENT TO SYSTEM LEVEL

First comprehensive and systematic analysis of the energy use in large research facilities

KARA DIGITAL TWIN





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ONGOING EFFORTS



MORE EFFICIENT AND SUSTAINABLE COMPONENTS AND SYSTEMS

- Design and construction of magnets technologies based on permanent magnets.
- Design of solid-state amplifiers technologies.



DATA-DRIVEN RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE ENERGY MANAGEMENT

- Development of Artificial Intelligence-based accelerator tuning strategies for energy saving.
- Identification of energy storage technologies for accelerators energy need.
- Development of energy management strategies based on green-data centers.

SYSTEM-LEVEL DESIGN OF FUTURE ACCELERATORS

- Installation of 2 PMUs.
- Location: BE1 and BE2 (main CERN 400 kV substations).
- A pilot phase of project RF2.0 (Proof Of Concept).
- BE1 Technical Stop 1 (June – only voltage sensing).
- BE2 Technical Stop 2 (October).

