

Event-Synchronized Data-Acquisition System for SPring-8 XFEL

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SPring-8 XFEL

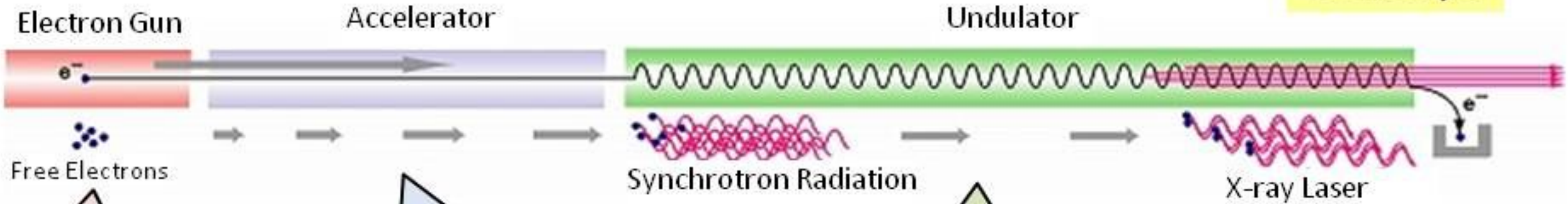


- SPring-8 XFEL will begin operation on 2011
 - aiming for $< 0.1\text{nm}$ wavelength by 8-GeV LINAC
- 250MeV Prototype (SCSS): operating since 2006
 - successful for 50~60nm VUV Lasing

Towards the 8-GeV XFEL

- Compactness

Concept

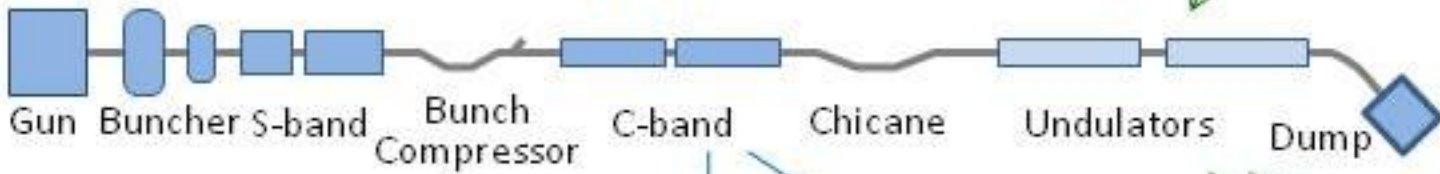


Low Emittance Beam

High Gradient C-band Accelerator

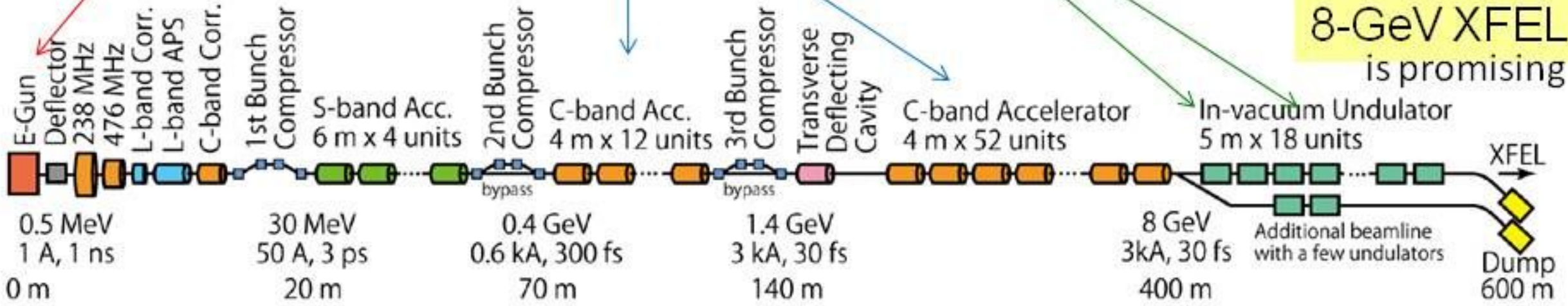
Short-Period In-Vacuum Undulator

Demonstrated a high-performance FEL at **250MeV SCSS**



~60m

8-GeV XFEL is promising

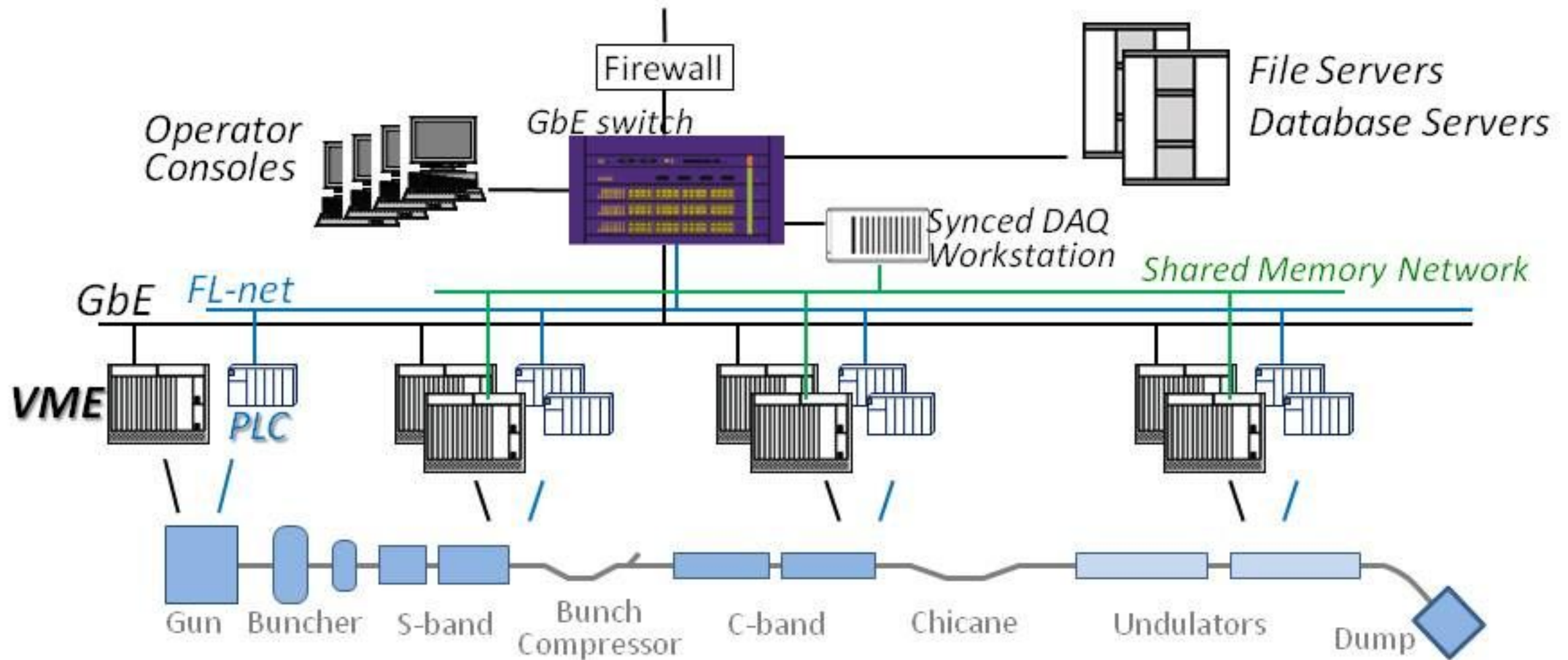


Why need 'Event-Synchronized' DAQ ?

- For the XFEL system,
the **Stability of Laser Pulses** is critically important.
However,
because XFEL is composed of a LINAC system,
stability is **not so easy** to be achieved due to the
pulsed operation for the equipment.
⇒ **Shot-by-shot measurement** to understand behavior
⇒ **Feedback correction** for beam energy and trajectory
- **Investigation** of the causes of problems/malfunctions
for stable and reliable operation.
 - * History of shot-by-shot data.

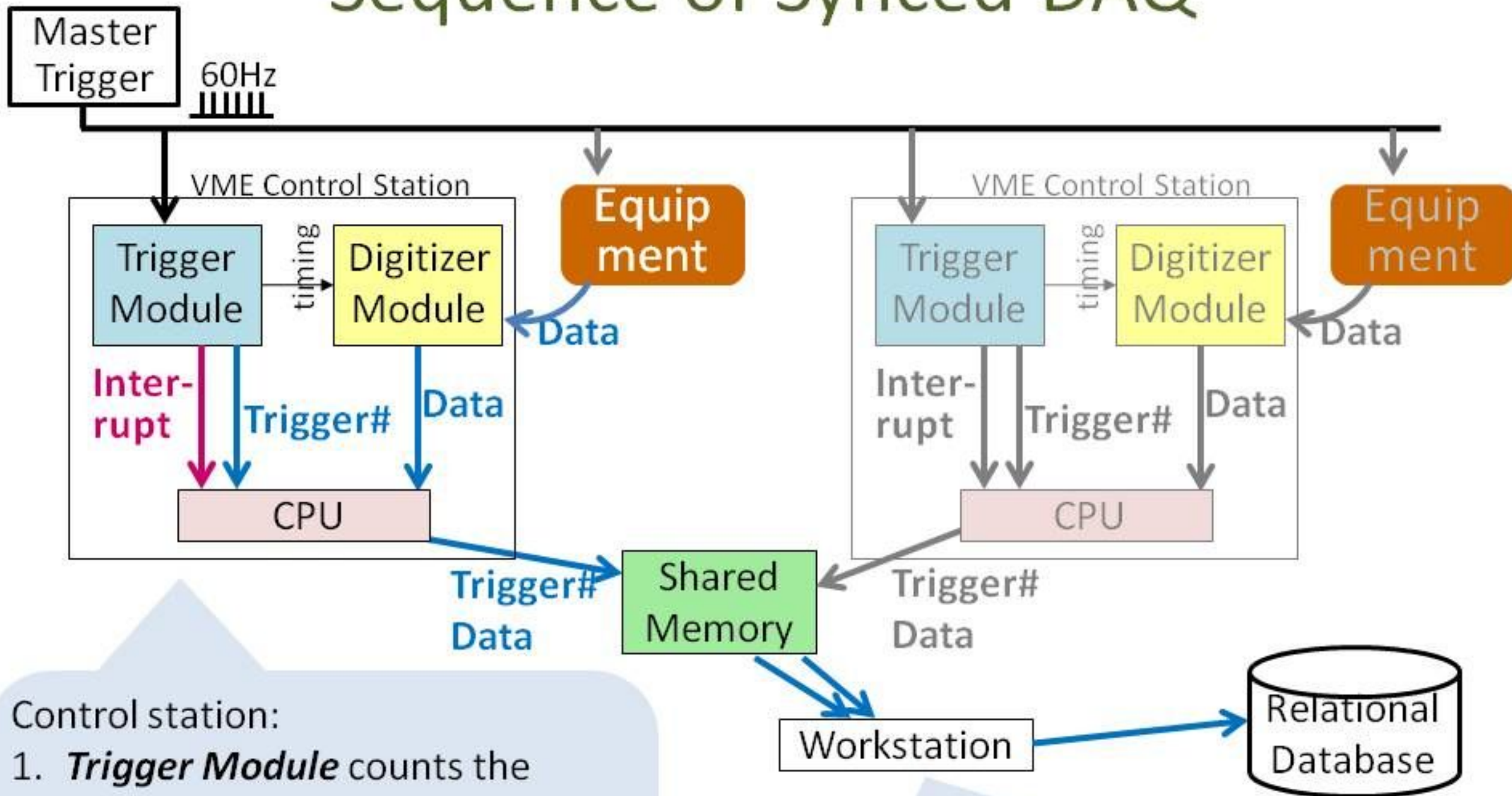
Overview of the control system of SCSS

Distributed system based on the SPring-8 controls.



- VME controllers for fast controls.
- Shared-memory network for Synced DAQ

Sequence of Synced DAQ



Control station:

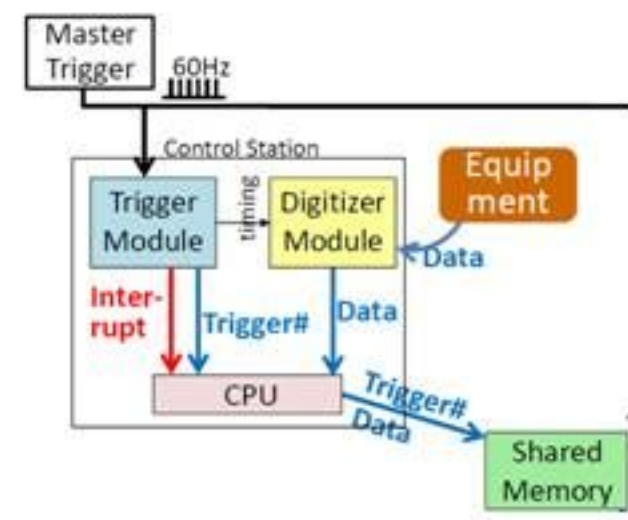
1. **Trigger Module** counts the trigger# at each station.
2. CPU reads data from the Digitizer module when triggered.
3. Puts a set of "**trigger# and data**" on the **shared memory**.

Event Builder :

Collects data having **same trigger#**, stores them together to the Database .
⇒ **Online synchronization**

VME modules

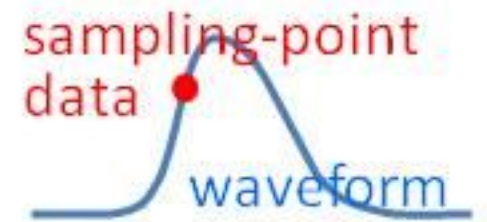
- **Reflective Memory** as a network shared-memory
 - Real-time data-sharing at distributed system



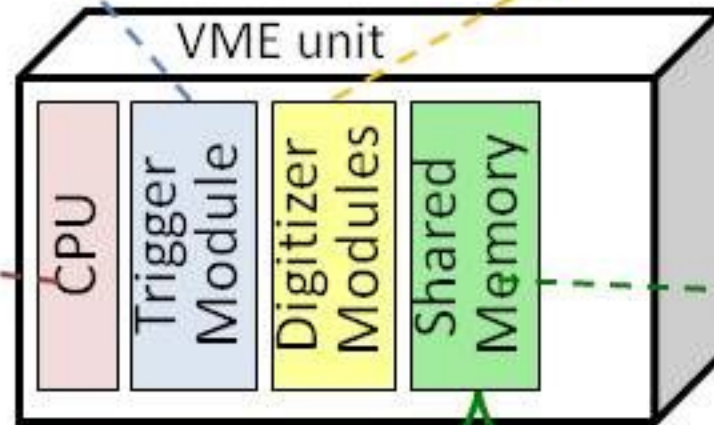
Trigger Module:
 ARKUS Axvme4900
 Interrupt Register



Digitizer Module:
 Advanet Advme2616
 Waveform Digitizer



CPU: SVA041
 OS: Solaris9



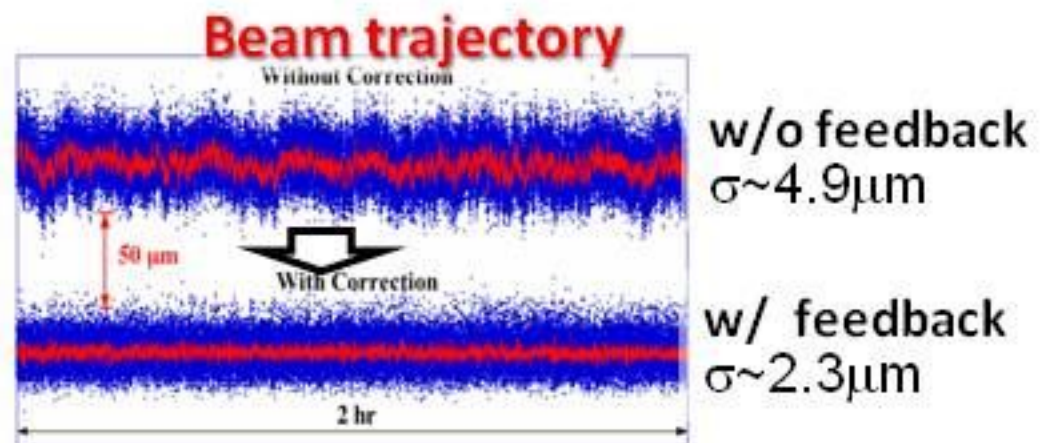
Shared Memory:
 VMEVMI-5565
 Reflective Memory



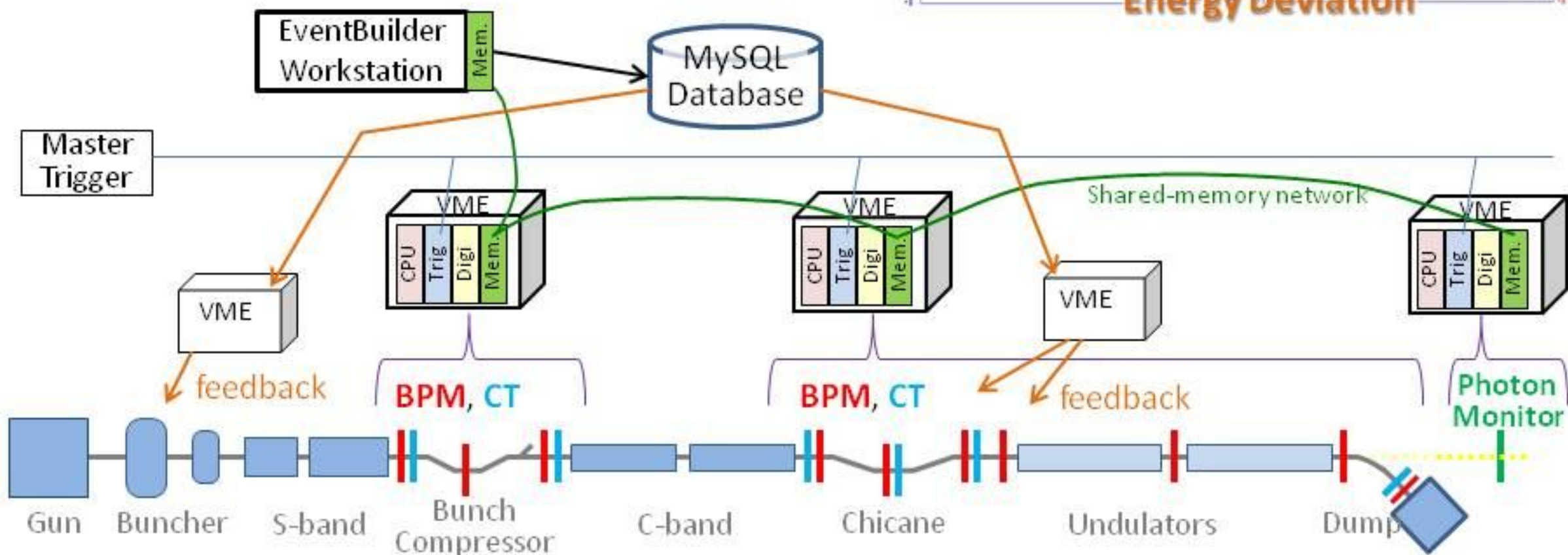
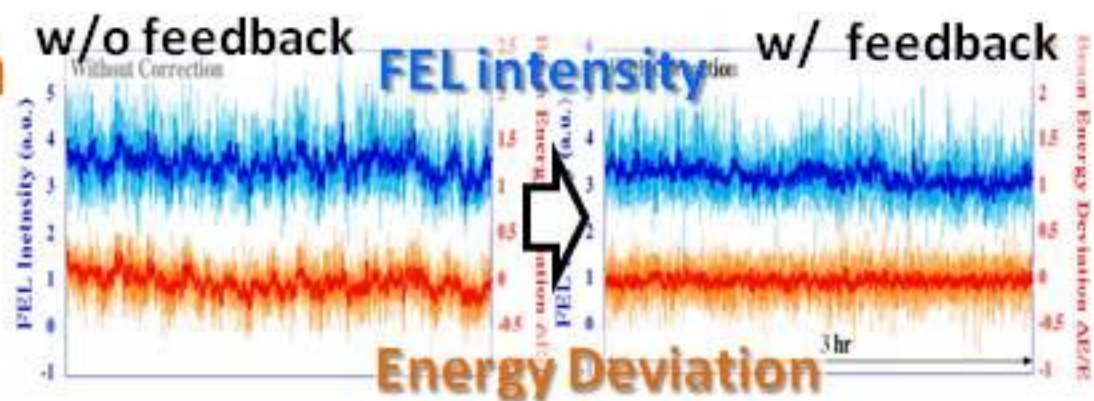
Other Shared-memory Other Shared-memory

For Monitor System and Feedback Correction

- 3 VME-units.
- 54 channels of sampling-point data from CTs, BPMs and photon monitors.
- Successful up to 60Hz of beam cycle.
 - Data rate $\sim 60\text{kB/sec}$



Data are utilized for **feedback correction** of beam energy and trajectory.
 \Rightarrow Quite effective for stabilization.



For RF System

Valuable for the investigation of problems/malfunctions.

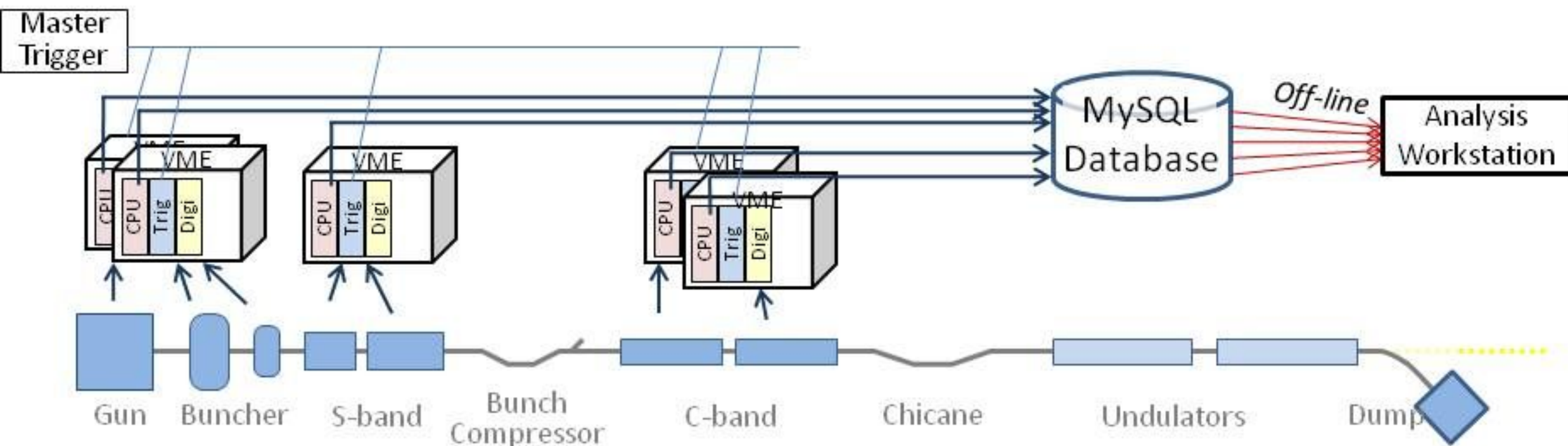
⇒ History of all equipment 'in the same shot'

- Reflective-Memory is unnecessary. (i.e. no real-time analysis)
 - ⇒ Suppress the cost for many RF units, e.g. at the 8-GeV XFEL.
- *Event-synchronization* can be done at *off-line analysis* process.
 - Search the data having same trigger# from DB

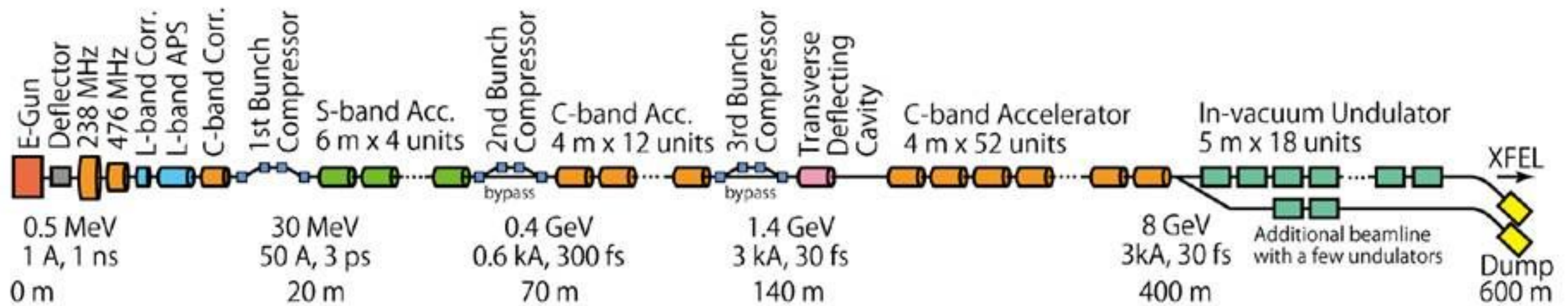
Successful with 6 VMEs,

48 sampling-point signals up to 60Hz, 25 waveforms at 0.1Hz.

- Data rate ~60kB/sec



At the 8-GeV XFEL ...



- More than **70** VMEs for the RF units
 - **~30** VMEs for monitor systems
- ⇒ **~ x10 of channels** for Synced DAQ than SCSS
- Data rate will be **~1.2 MB/sec** in total.

Same scheme as SCSS will be operational by simply scaling up the number of units.

Summary

- Our Event-synchronized DAQ with VME-based distributed-system contributes quite effectively to stabilize the beam at SCSS Prototype Accelerator.
- Shot-by-shot data will also be useful to investigate the cause of problems or malfunctions in the equipment.
- The same scheme will be implemented to the 8-GeV XFEL at SPring-8.

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Table 1: Achieved SASE FEL performance

Item	Achieved value
Wavelength	50~60 nm
Laser Pulse Energy	30~40 μ J
Repetition Rate	20 Hz (60 Hz ^{*1})
Pulse Energy Fluctuation (STD)	~10%, 14~15% ^{*2}
Laser Profile Radius (FWHM) ^{*3}	3 mm
Pointing Stability ^{*3}	~5% of Laser Radius
Average Spectrum Width (FWHM)	0.6~1%

*1 60 Hz was tested only in the machine study.

*2 ~10% is for a short period and 14~15% is over the beam operation.

*3 16-m downstream of the source point.

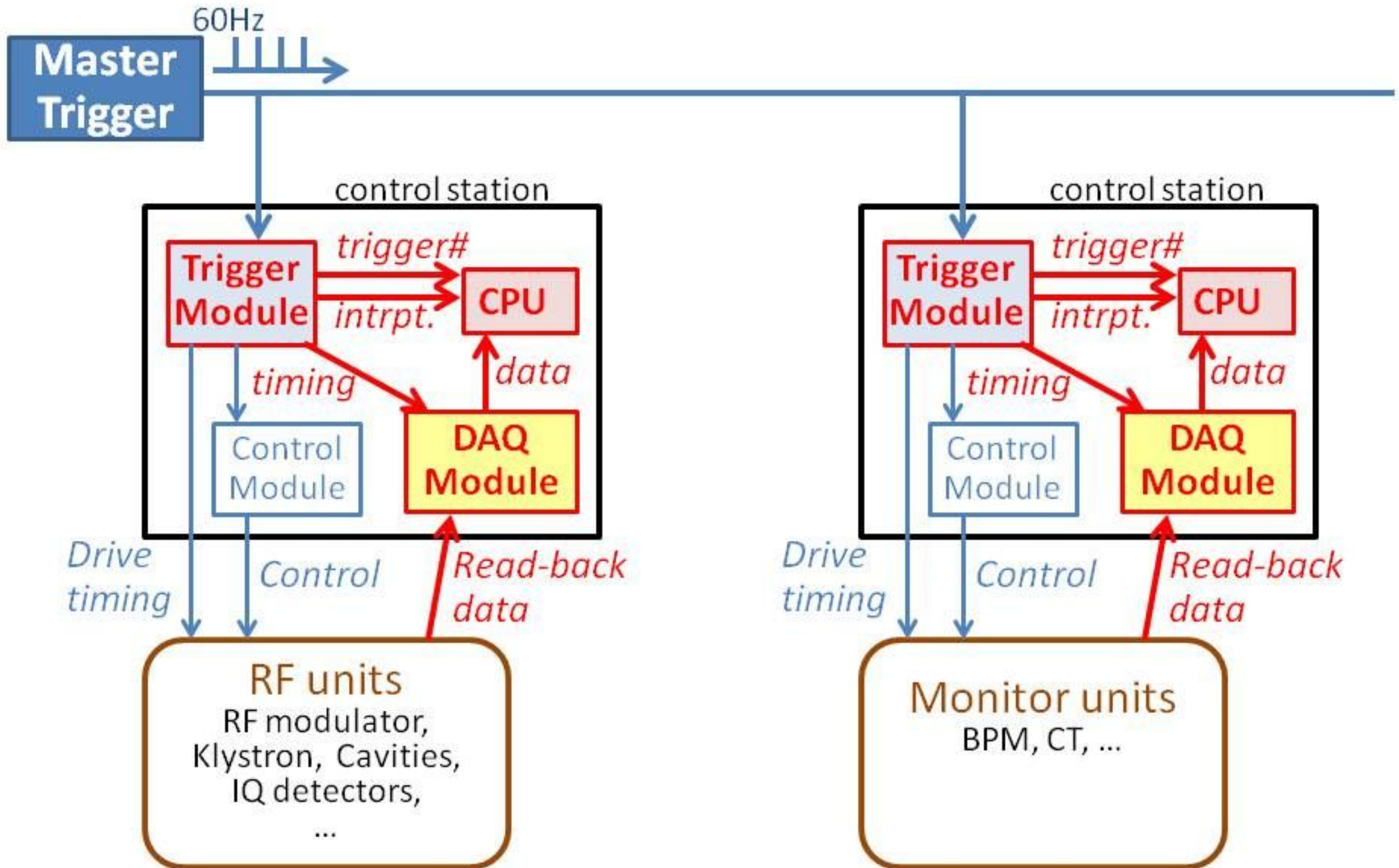
Troubles

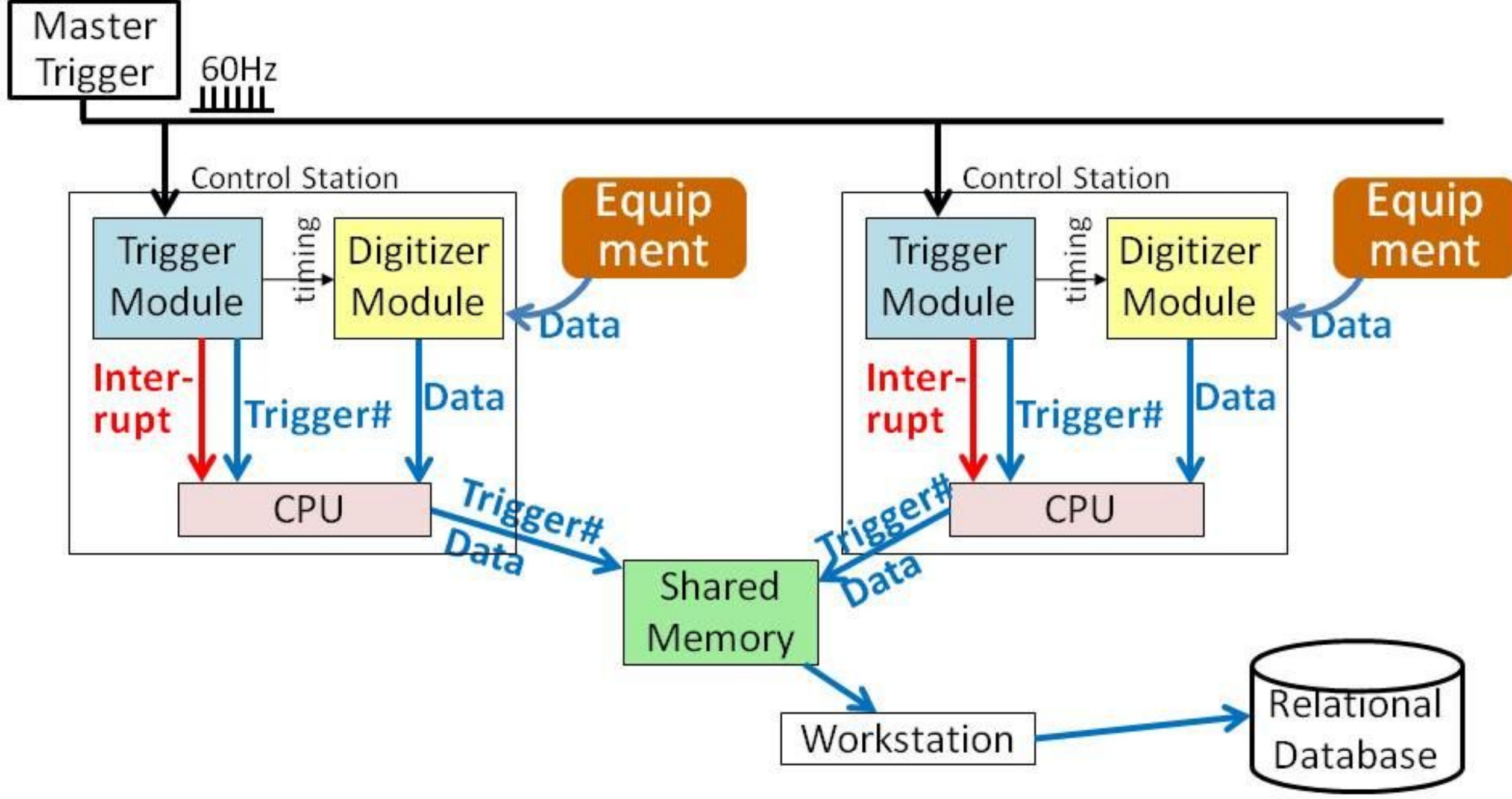
- Early days (2006~)
 - Short circuit of the dummy tube cathode heater in the electron gun
 - Vacuum leakage of the S-band APS
 - Electric circuit damage of the PFN (pulse forming network) high voltage charger
- Recently (2007~)
 - Minor troubles only
 - Short circuits of some power cables
 - Failures of the solid-state amplifiers
 - Failures of the thyratrons
 - ...

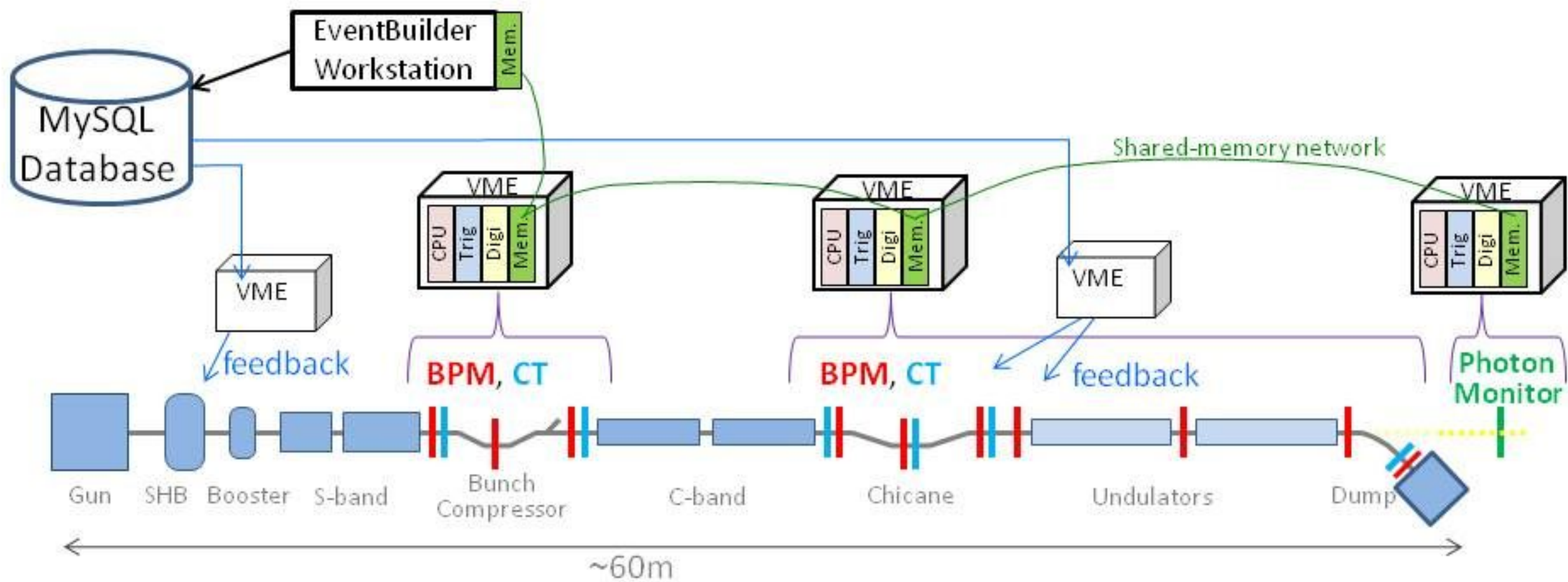
Conceptual Design

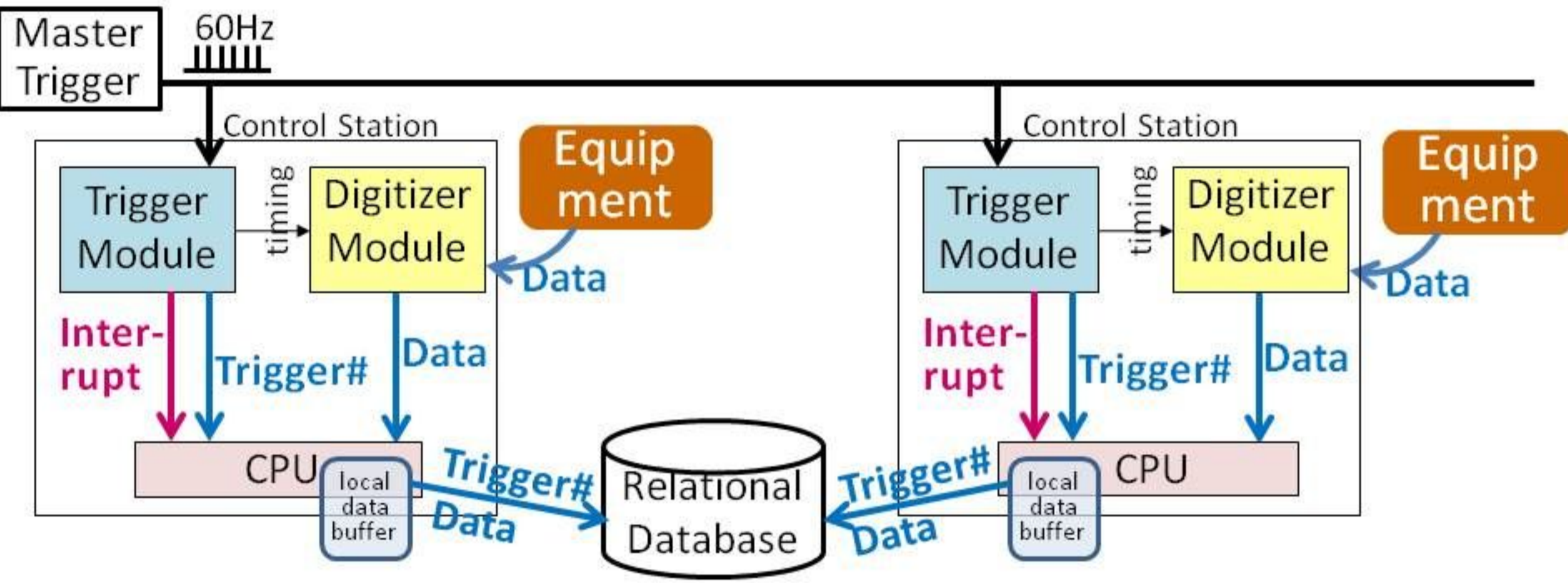
- Equipments are driven with the Master Trigger timing.
 - Deliver the Master Trigger timing to each station.
 - Count the trigger number at each station.
 - Read data from equipment when trigger arrives.
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- Solaris
 - VME
 - Relational DB

Conceptual Design of the Event-Synchronized DAQ









Without Correction

50 μm

With Correction

2 hr

