

# Superconducting RF

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Chapter 7

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# Before we start...

- ... a big thank you to Peter Schmüser for helping me to prepare the lecture.
- ... another thank you to the colleagues from the TESLA collaboration and the field from superconducting RF cavities for the material provided
- ... please check out the lecture notes for references. I tried to give a lot of primary and secondary literature
  - A good introduction into superconducting cavities is given in [[Padamsee et al. 1998](#)].
  - Short review articles are also available [[Aune et al. 2000](#), [Padamsee 2001](#)].
- ... let me inform you that this is a first-timer for me giving this type of lecture: Please comment on the stuff you didn't like – and on the things, which you like.

# Outline of the lectures

- Theory first ... (Lecture 1)
  - RF cavities (revisited – see also Juwen Wang)
    - A variety of SRF cavities in pictures
    - The Pillbox cavity
    - Acceleration of a bunched beam
  - Superconductivity basics
  - RF superconductivity
  - Limitations of superconducting RF (SRF) cavities
    - Diagnostic tools
    - Surface and material science
    - Defects
      - Thermal conductivity
    - Field emission
    - Multipacting
    - Increased surface resistance at high field

# Outline (continued)

- Practical example: TESLA cavities (Lecture 2)
  - What is TESLA?
    - Goals for TESLA cavities
  - Choice of superconductor
  - Design of SRF cavities
  - Manufacturing issues
  - Surface preparation
  - Current state-of-the-art cavity performance
  - Higher gradients for TESLA-800
    - Electropolishing
    - ‘Superstructure’
  - Operating SRF cavities
    - Cryostats
    - RF Couplers
    - Low-level RF control

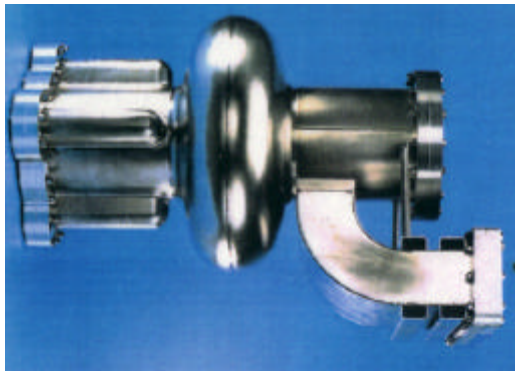


# SRF cavities

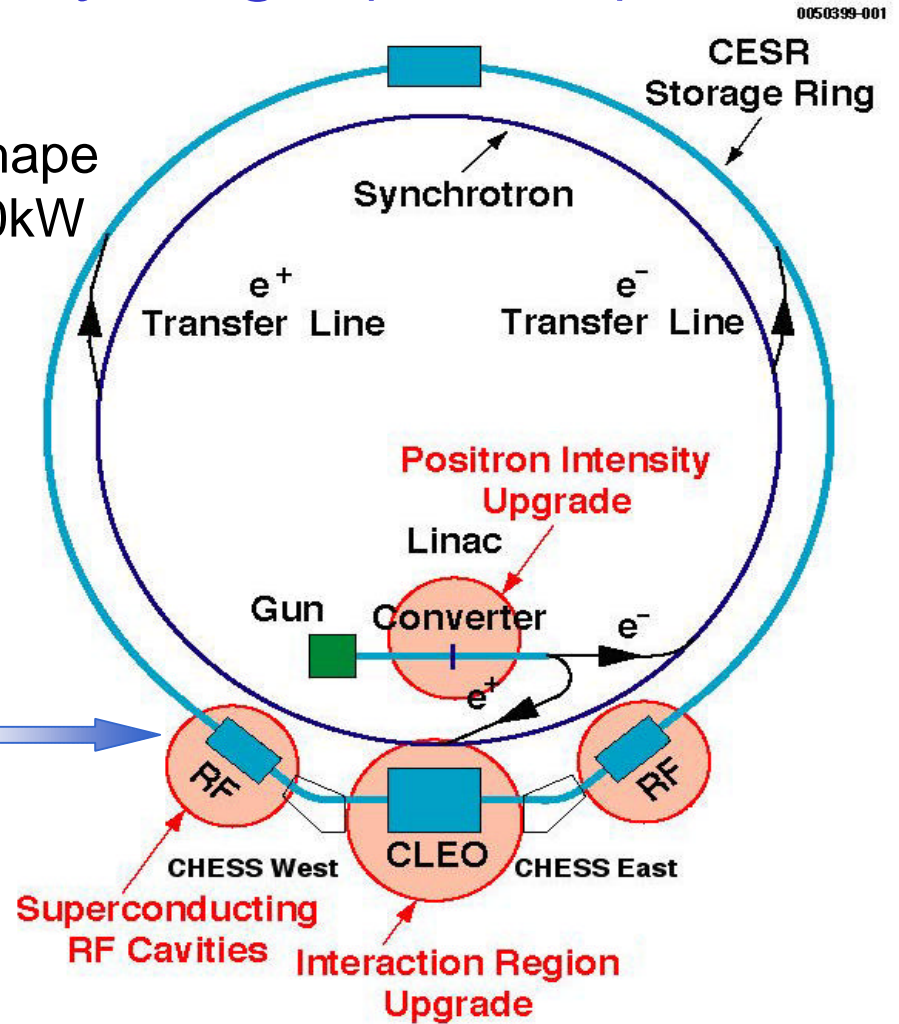
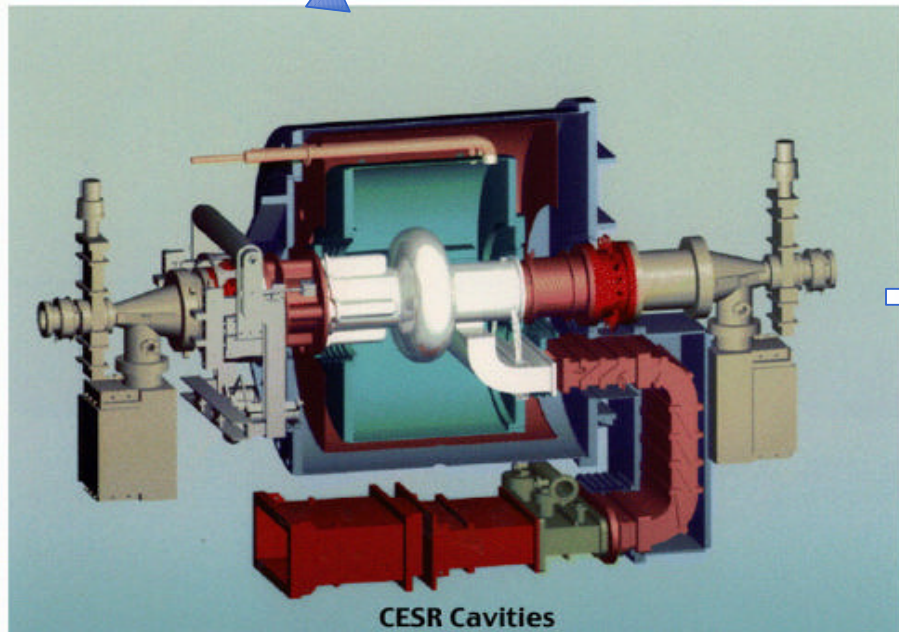
- What do they actually look like?
  - Protons
  - Ions
  - Electrons
- Courtesy H. Padamsee

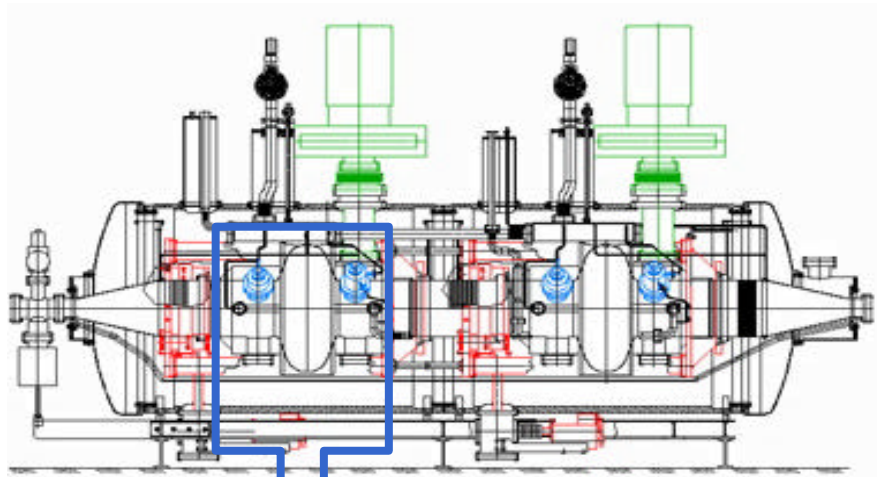


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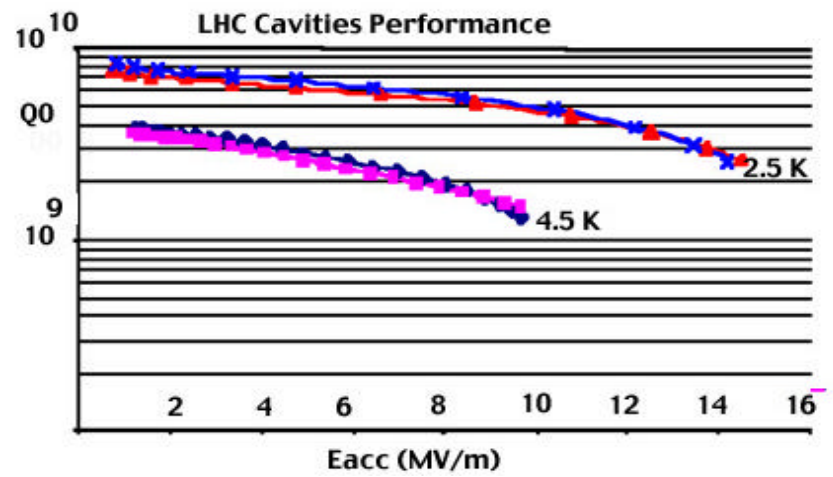
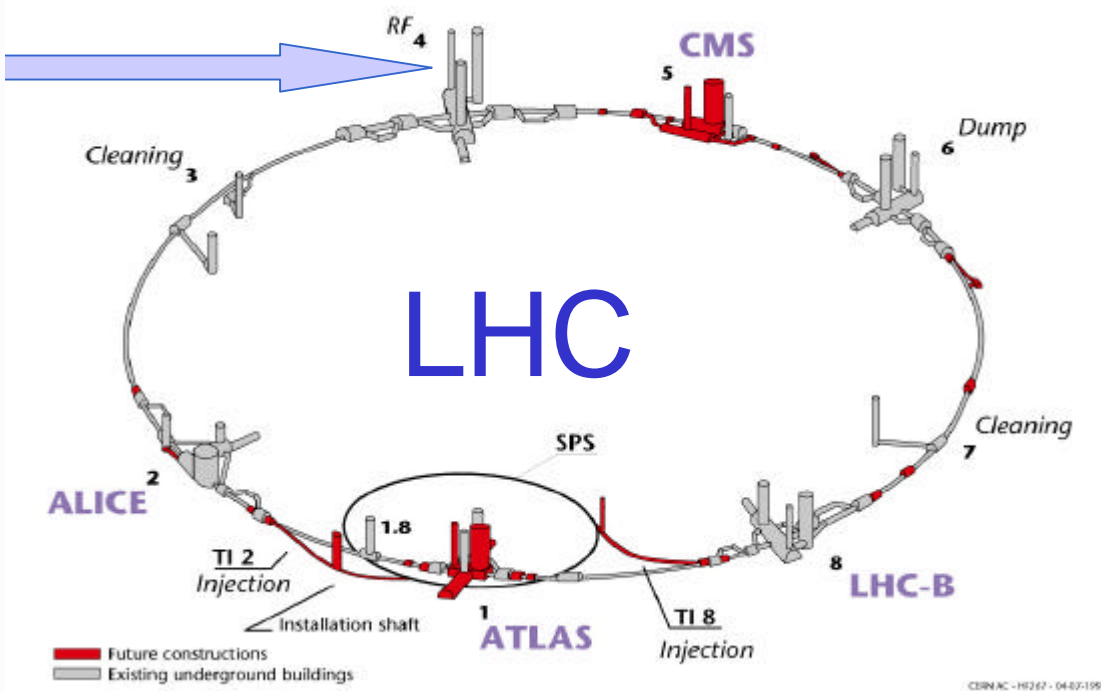
- Low Impedance Shape
- Beam Power > 270kW





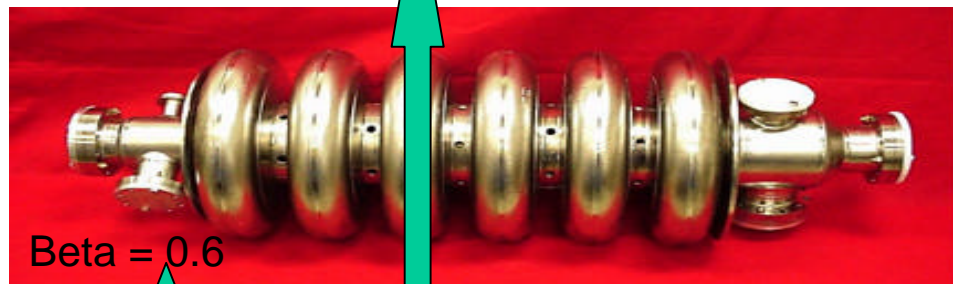
400 MHz  
16 Nb/Cu Cavities

Layout of the LEP tunnel including future LHC infrastructures.

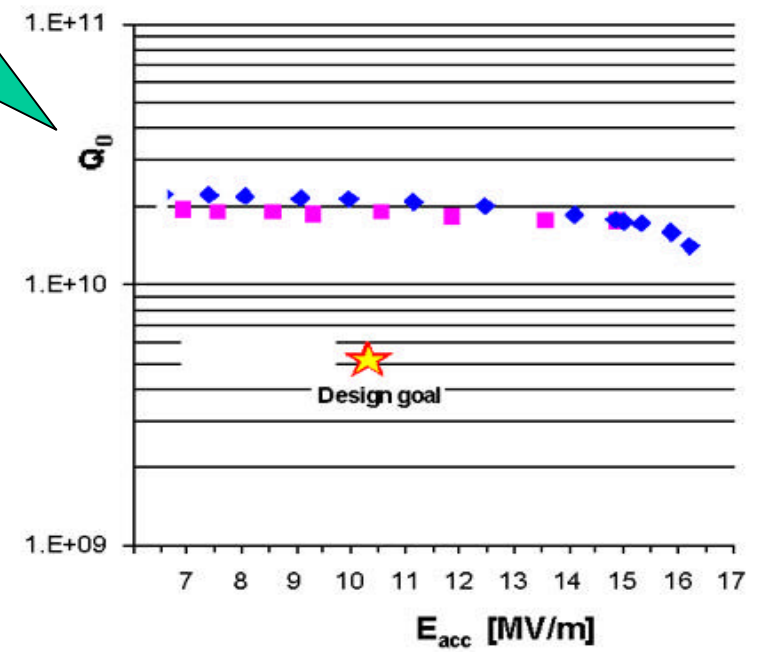
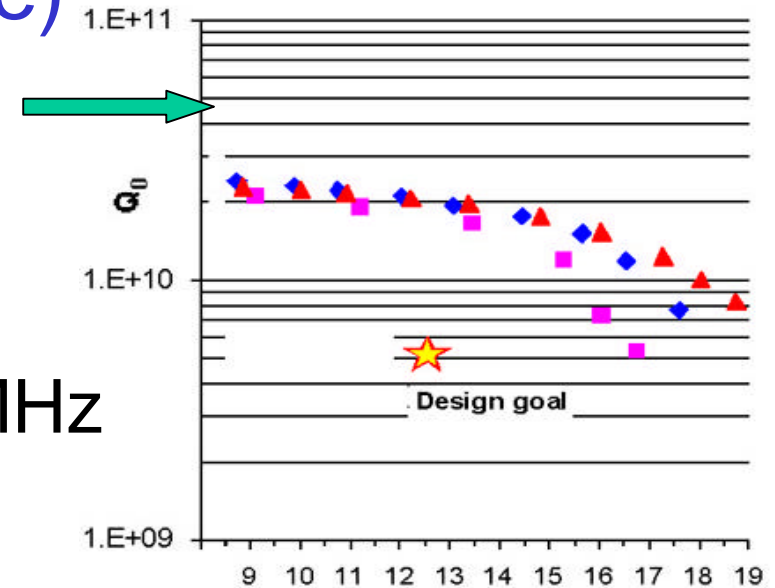
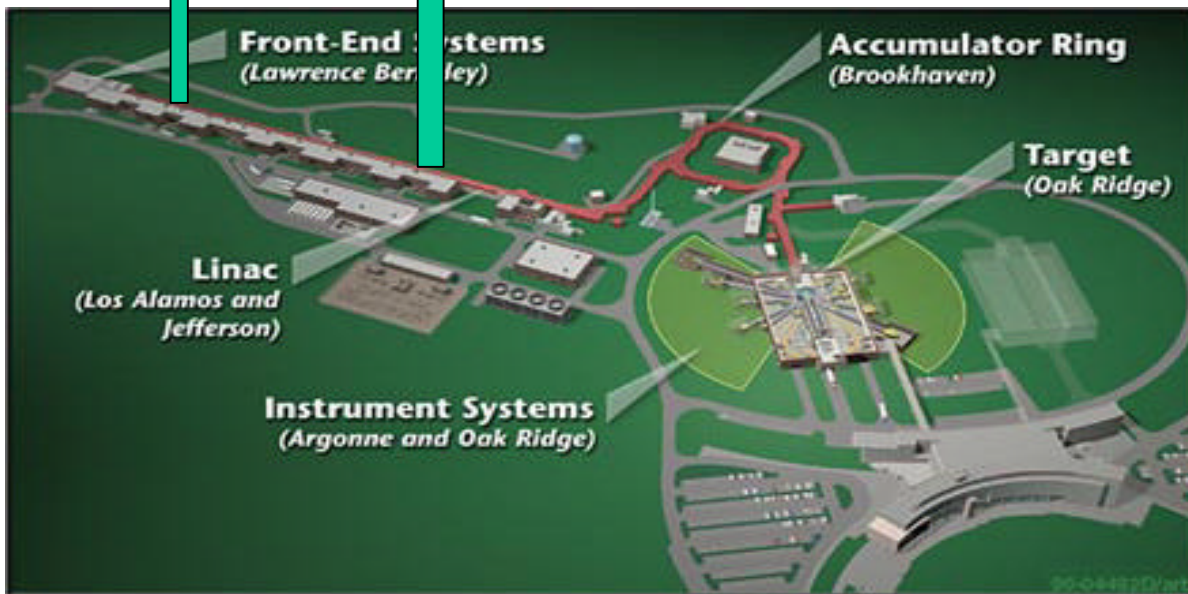


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# SNS (Spallation Neutron Source)

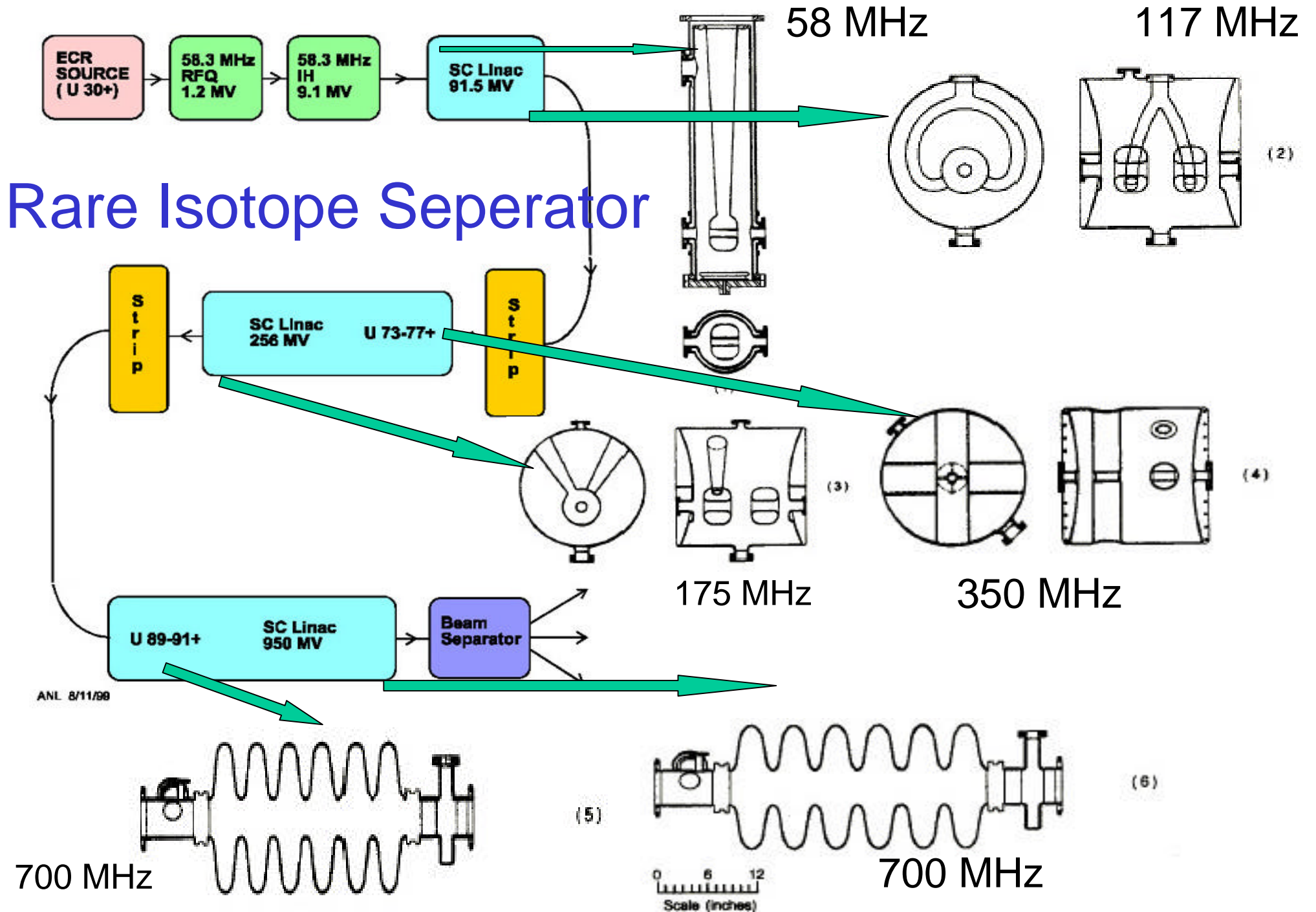


800 MHz



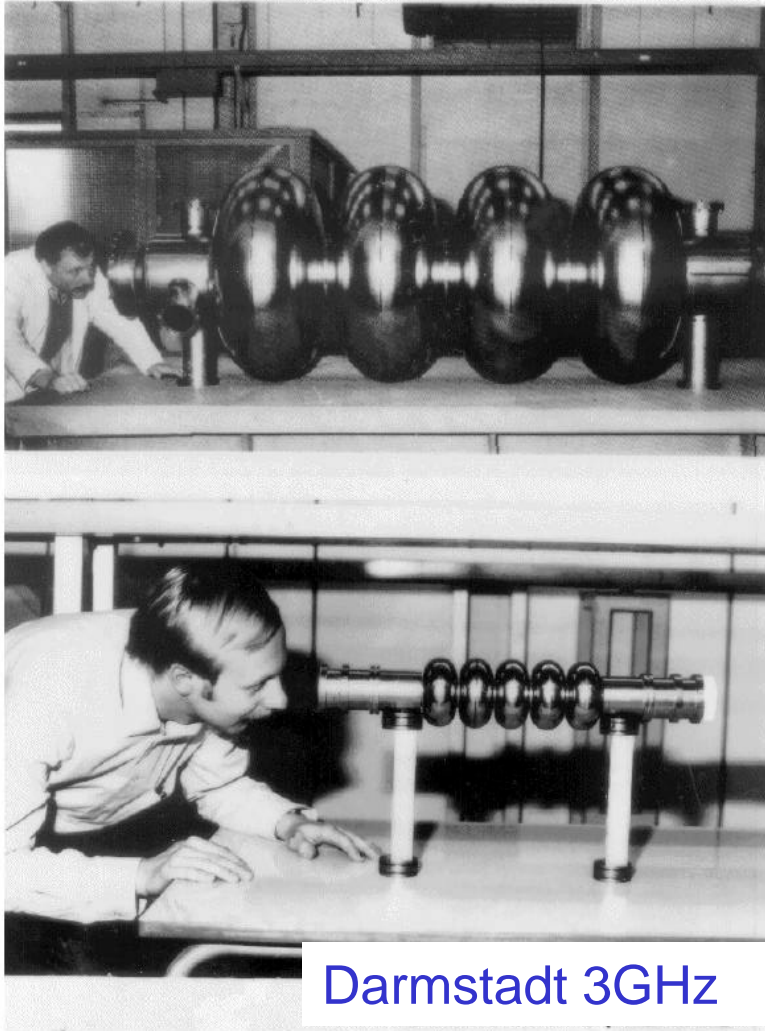


# Rare Isotope Separator

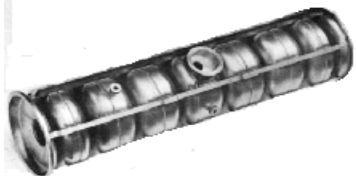
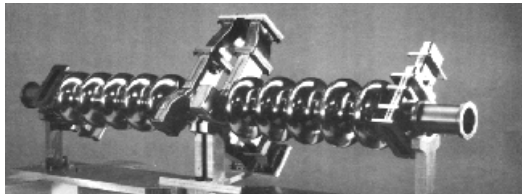
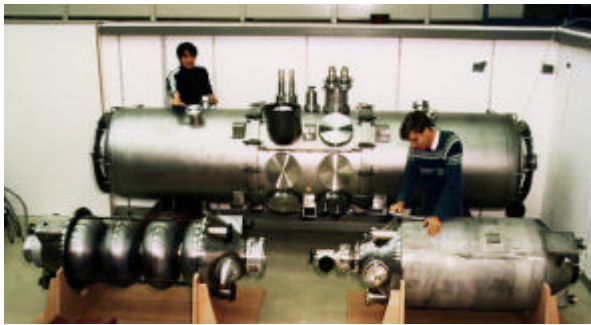
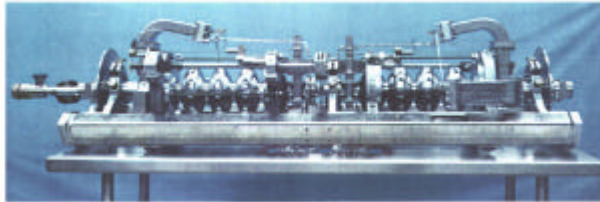


# Niobium bulk cavities

CERN 350 MHz



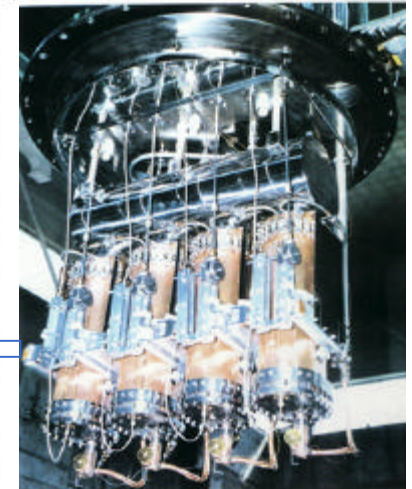
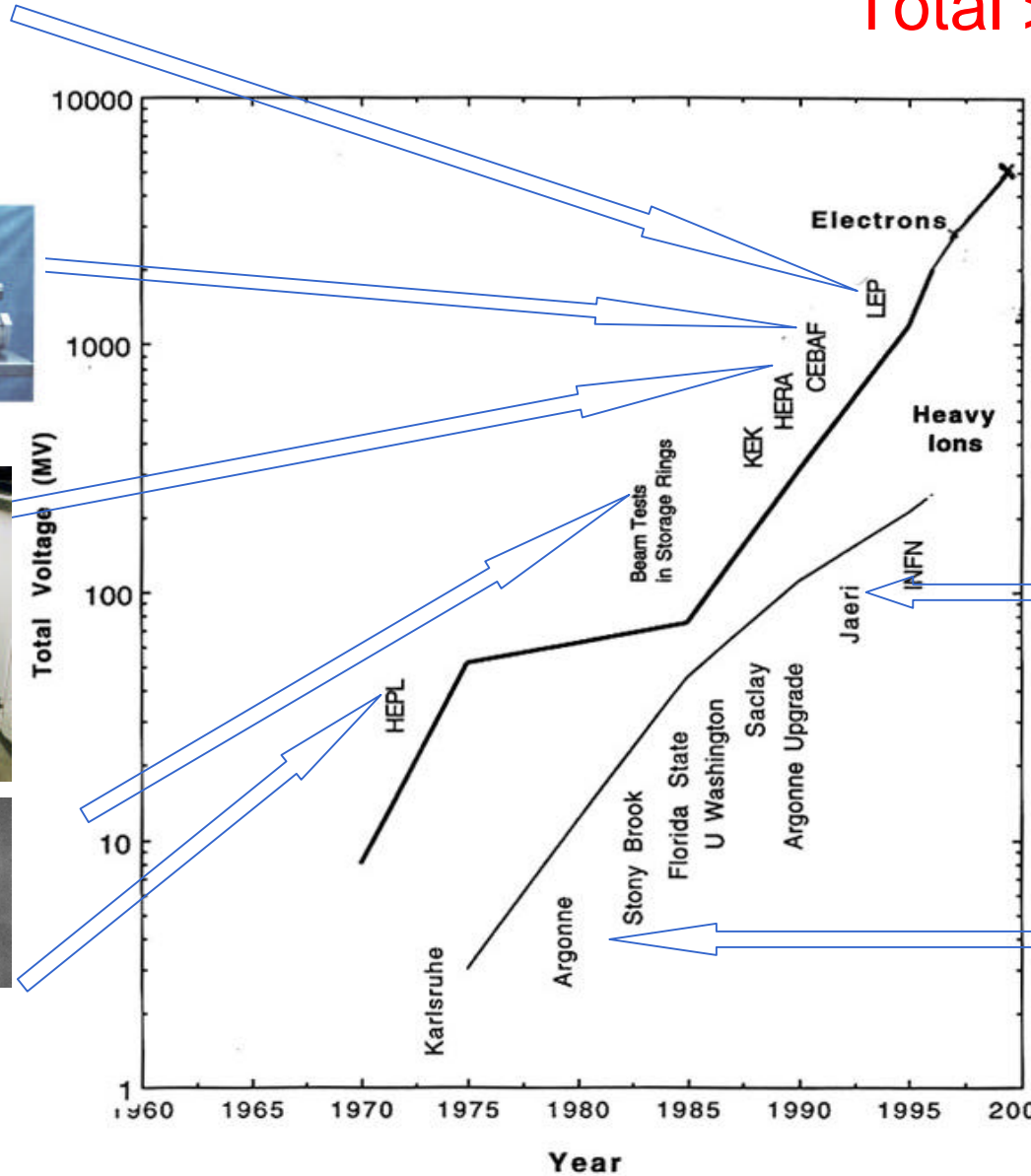
Nb-Cu Technology



# Livingston plot for SRF cavities

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Total >1000 meters  
> 5 GV



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# Properties of Cavities

Example: cylindrically symmetric cavity - Pillbox

$$\frac{\partial^2 E_s}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial E_s}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E_s}{\partial t^2}$$

$$E_s(r, t) = E(r) e^{i\omega t} \quad \text{with} \quad u = \frac{\omega}{c} r$$

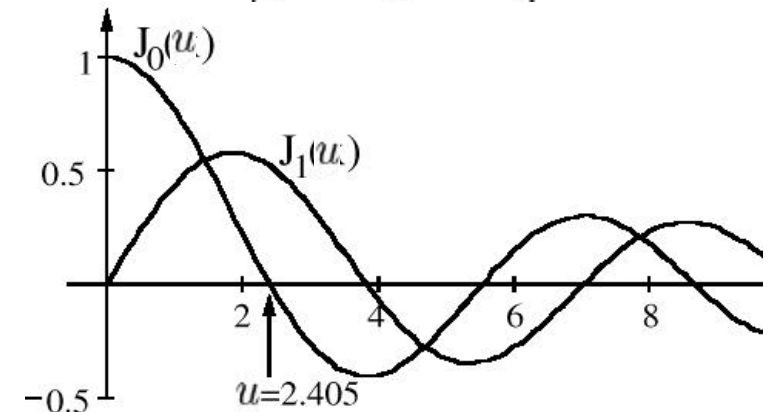
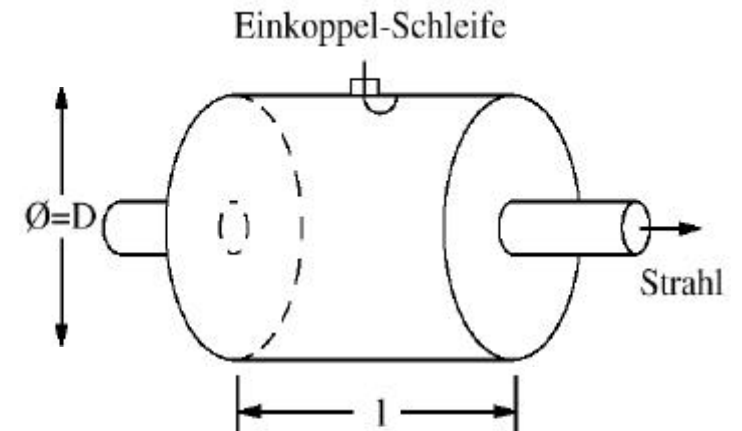
$$E(u) = E_0 J_0(u) \quad J_0, J_1 \text{ Besselfunctions}$$

$$\text{Frequency: } E\left(r = \frac{D}{2}\right) = 0 \quad f = \frac{c \cdot 2.405}{\pi D}$$

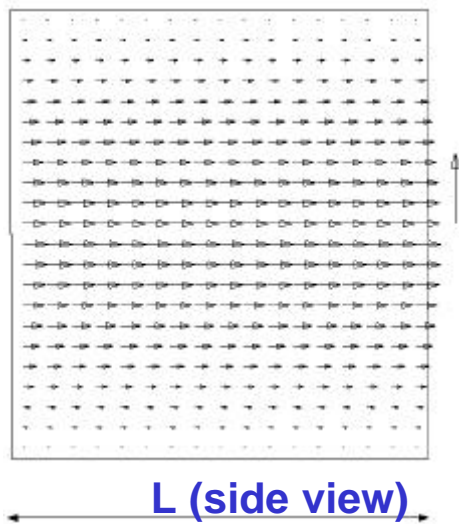
$$\text{Stored Energy: } U = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_0 E_0^2 J_1^2(2.405) l \pi \left(\frac{D}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\text{Dissipated power: } P_{\text{Ges}} = \frac{1}{2} R_S \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_0}{\mu_0} \cdot E_0^2 \cdot \pi D l \cdot \left(1 + \frac{D}{2l}\right) J_1^2(2.405)$$

$$\text{Quality factor: } Q_0 = \omega \cdot \frac{U}{P_{\text{Ges}}} = \frac{\mu_0 c \cdot 2.405}{2 R_S \left(1 + \frac{D}{2l}\right)} \quad \text{Geometry factor: } G = \frac{\mu_0 c \cdot 2.405}{2 + D/l}$$



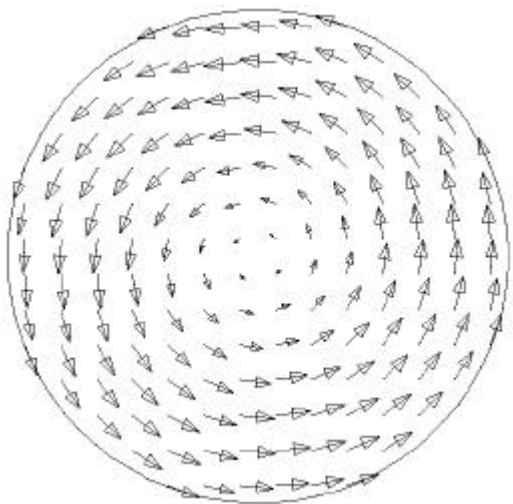
Electric Field (Pillbox):



# Field distributions in cavities

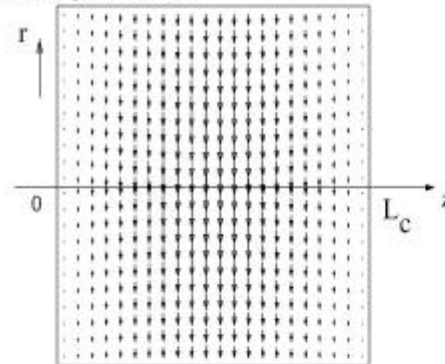
← TM010 : accelerating mode

Magnetic Field :

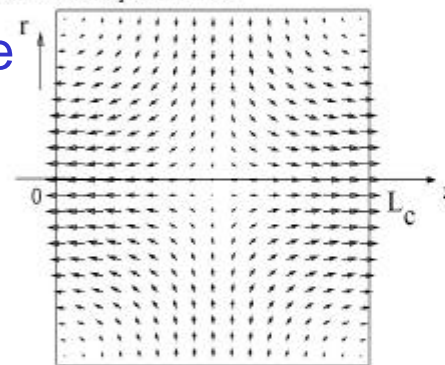


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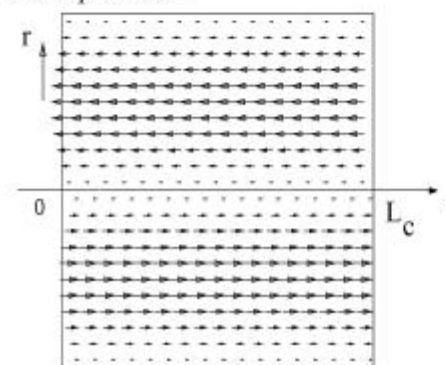
TE111: dipole mode



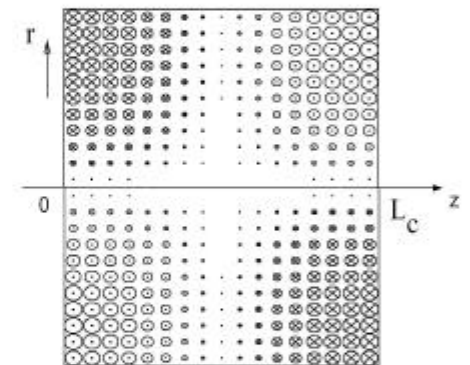
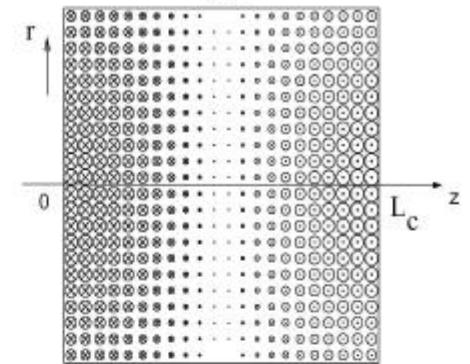
TM011: monopole mode



TM110: dipole mode

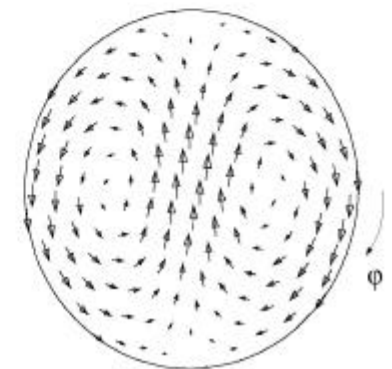


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Other modes : e.g. deflecting modes →

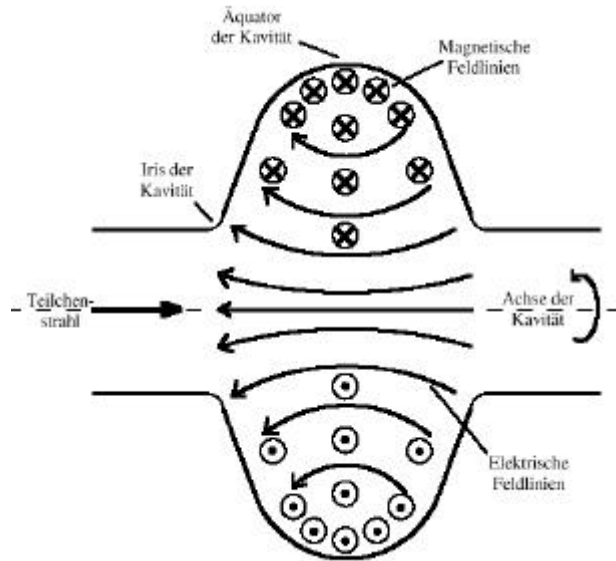
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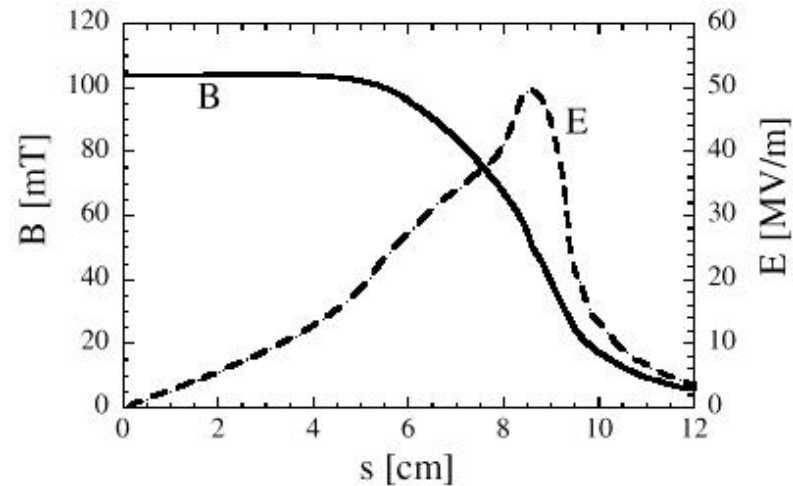
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# Field distributions in cavities

Elliptical cavity:



Numerical solution for surface fields:



$\mathcal{P}$

Relations for the surface fields to accelerating gradient:

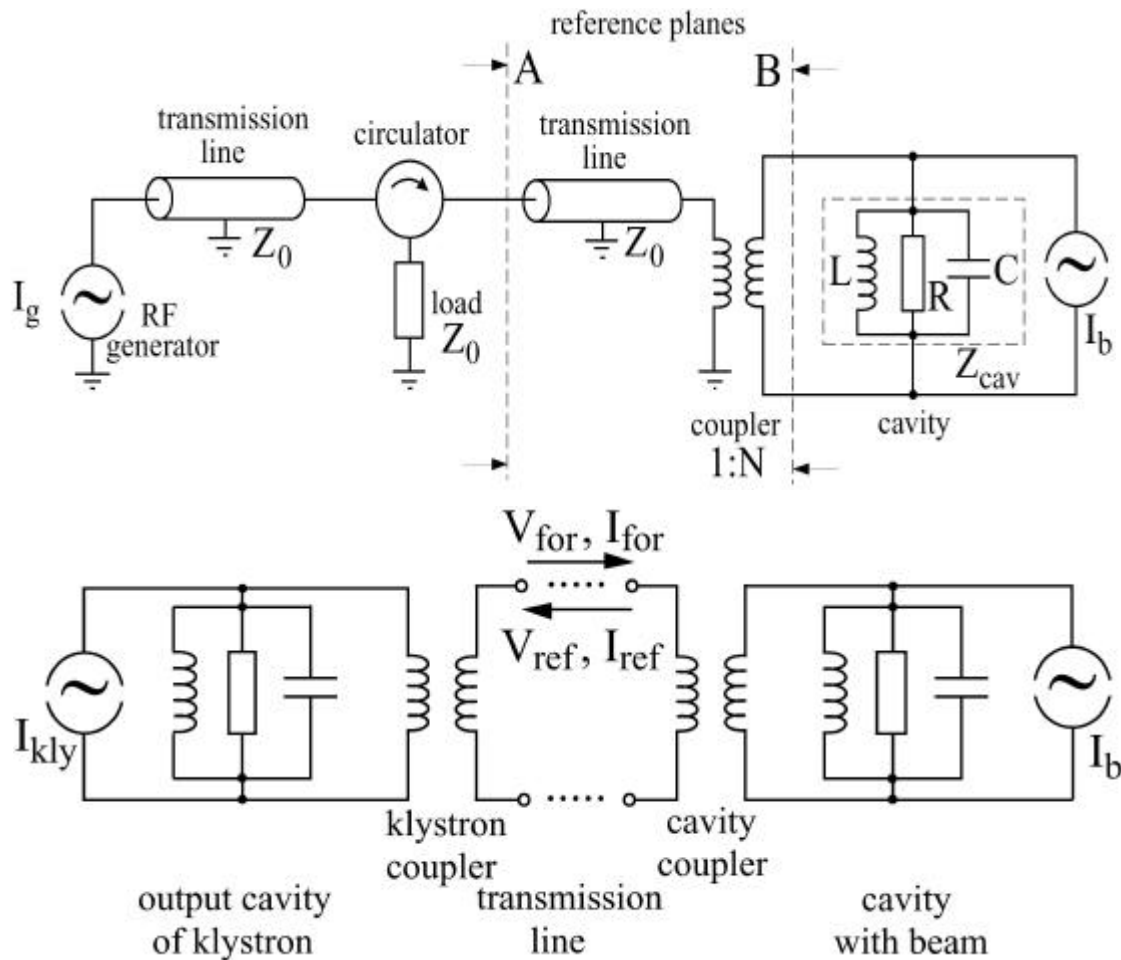
$$E_{\text{peak}}/E_{\text{acc}} = 1,98$$

minimize this to reduce field emission

$$\mathcal{P} \quad B_{\text{peak}}/E_{\text{acc}} = 4,17 \text{ [mT]/[MV/m]}$$

minimize because of maximum critical field of the superconductor

# Equivalent circuit of generator-cavity-beam system



- Cavity is a resonance circuit
- R is called the **shunt impedance**, this is **NOT**  $R_{surf}$  !
- Coupler is like a transformer (1:N,  $N \gg 1$ )



# Equivalent circuit formulas

Cavity quality factor:

$$Q_0 = \frac{R_0}{\omega_0 L} \quad \text{with} \quad \omega_0 = 1/\sqrt{LC}$$

Coupler (external) quality factor:

$$Q_{ext} = \frac{R_{ext}}{\omega_0 L}$$

Loaded quality factor:

$$Q_{load} = \frac{R_{load}}{\omega_0 L}, \quad \frac{1}{Q_{load}} = \frac{1}{Q_0} + \frac{1}{Q_{ext}}$$

Decay time :

$$\tau = \frac{2Q_{load}}{\omega_0}$$

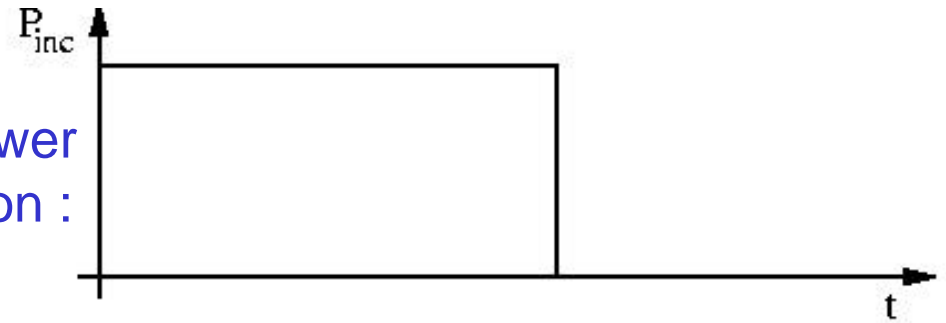
Coupling factor :

$$\beta_c = \frac{Q_0}{Q_{ext}}$$



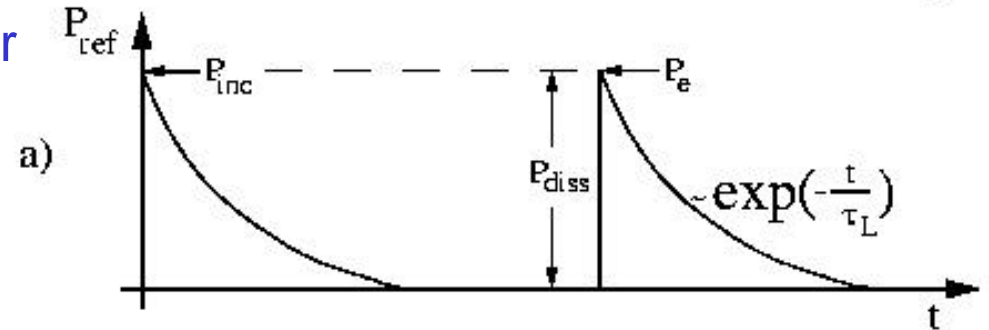
# Acceleration of a bunched beam

Incident power from Klystron :

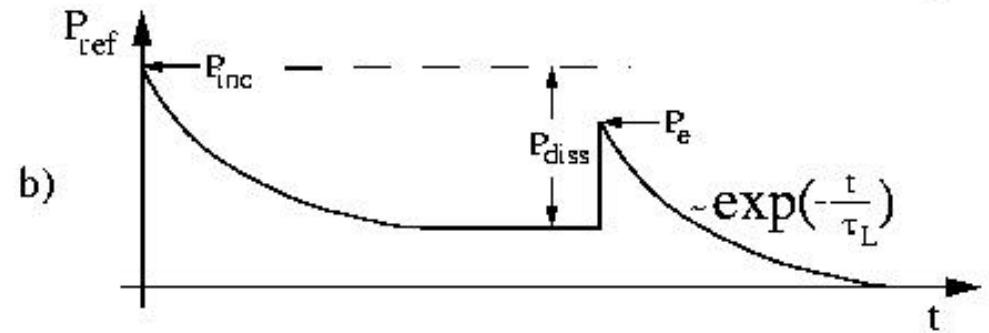


Reflected power to Klystron :

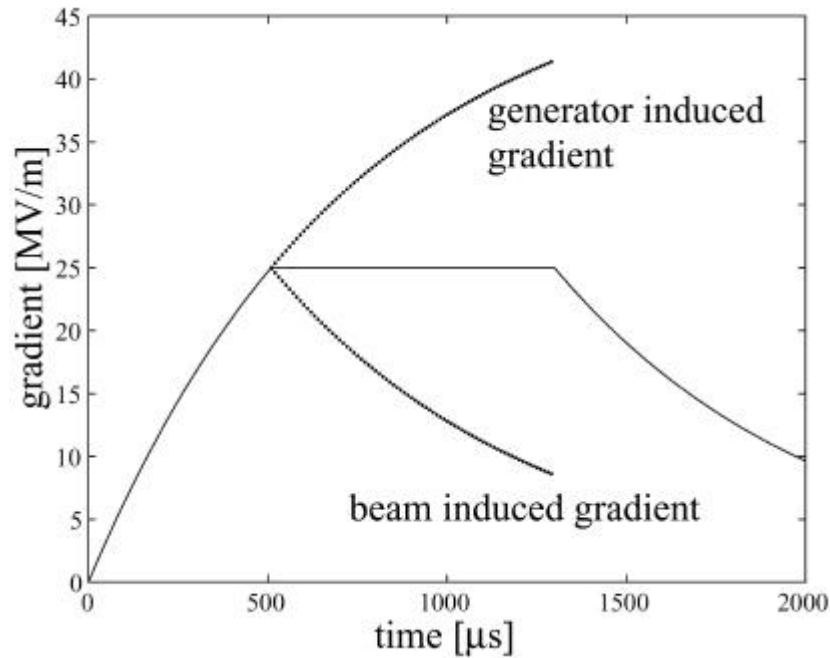
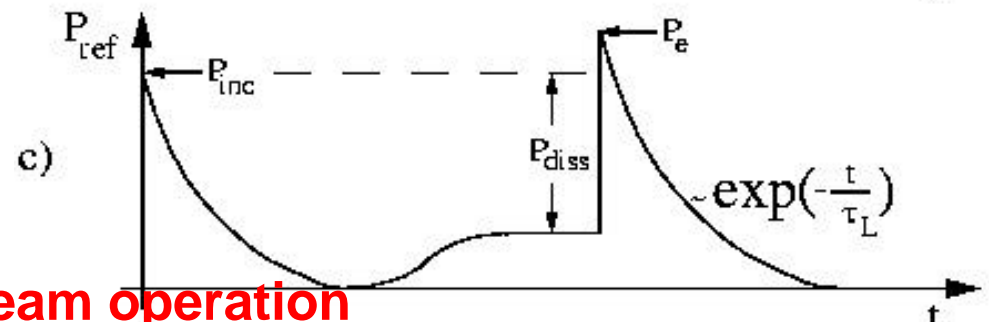
$b = 1$



$b < 1$



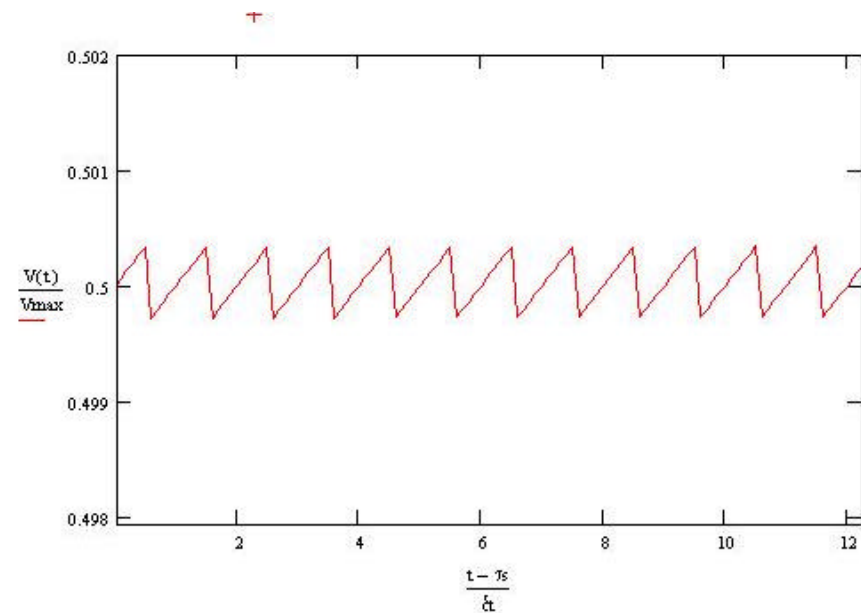
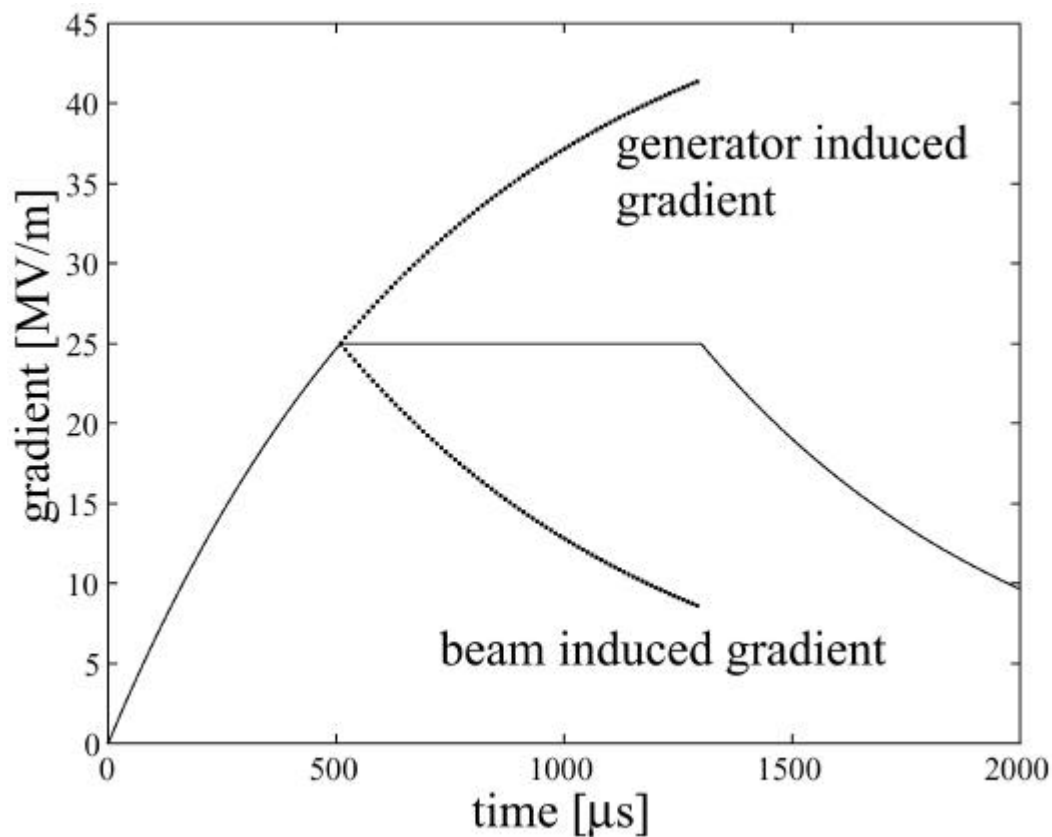
$\beta > 1$



For beam operation



# Acceleration of a bunched beam (see MathCAD example)

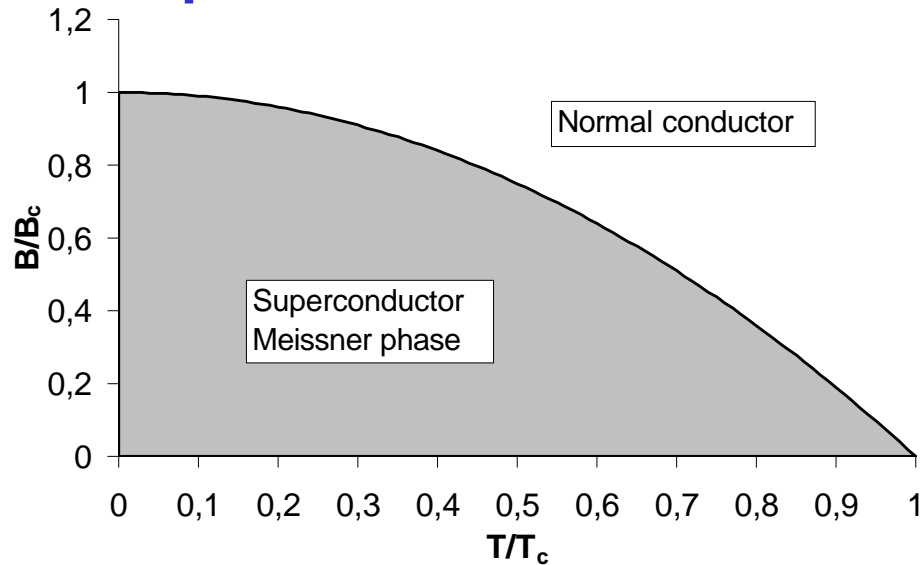


- Let's see what happens, when the  $Q_{ext}$  is wrong...

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# Superconductors in magnetic fields (Type I)



$$G_n - G_s = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B_c^2$$

Temperature dependence:

$$B_c(T) = B_c(0) \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right)^2 \right]$$

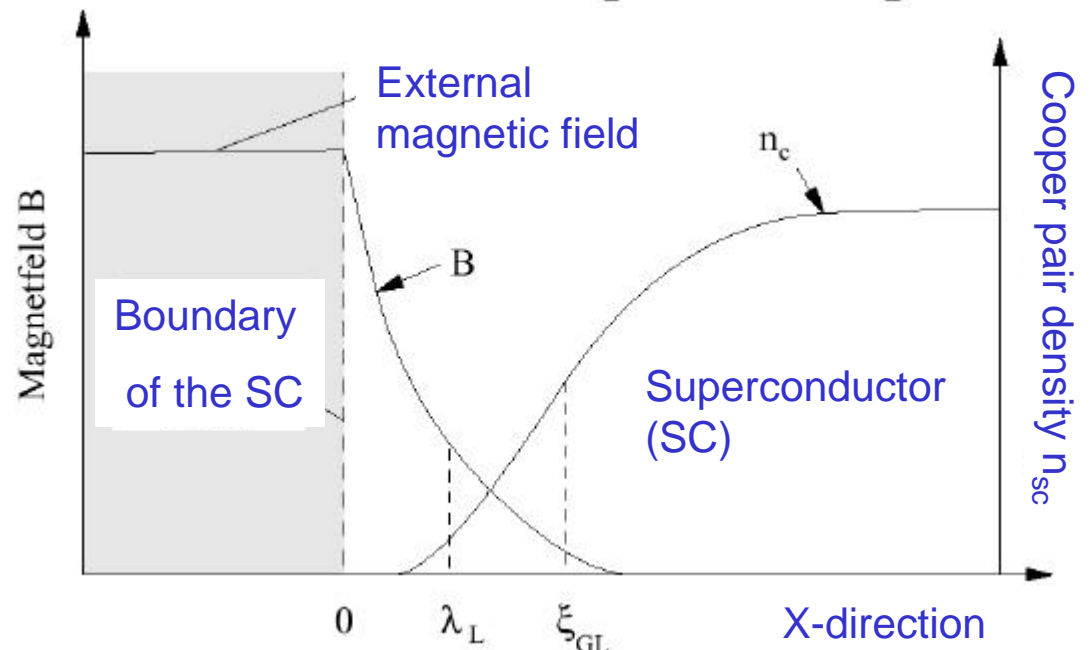
Penetration depth:

$$B(x) = B(0)e^{-\frac{x}{\lambda_L}} \quad \lambda_L = \sqrt{\frac{m}{\mu_0 n_s c^2}}$$

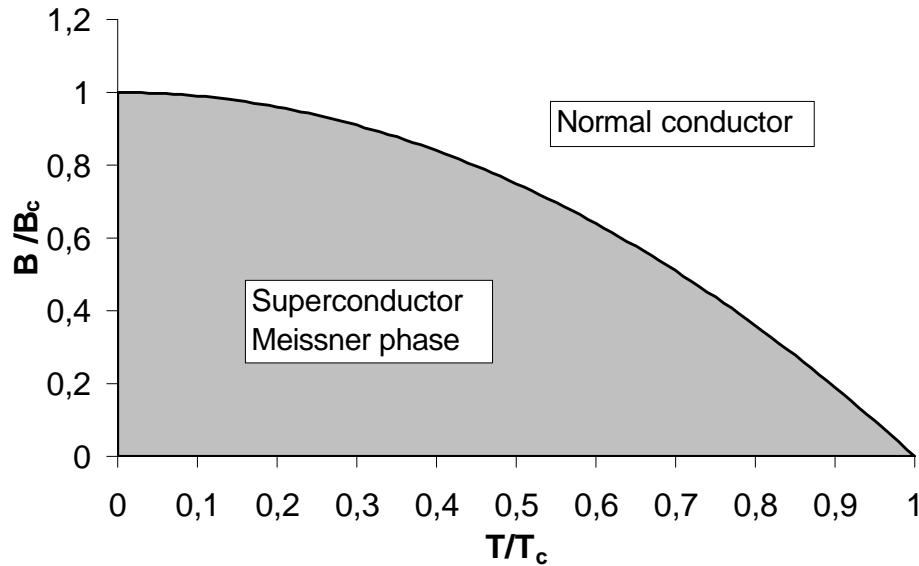
$$\lambda_L(T) = \lambda(0) \left( 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right)^4 \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

Coherence length:

$$\xi_0 = \frac{\hbar v_F}{\Delta}$$



# Superconductors in magnetic fields (Typ II)

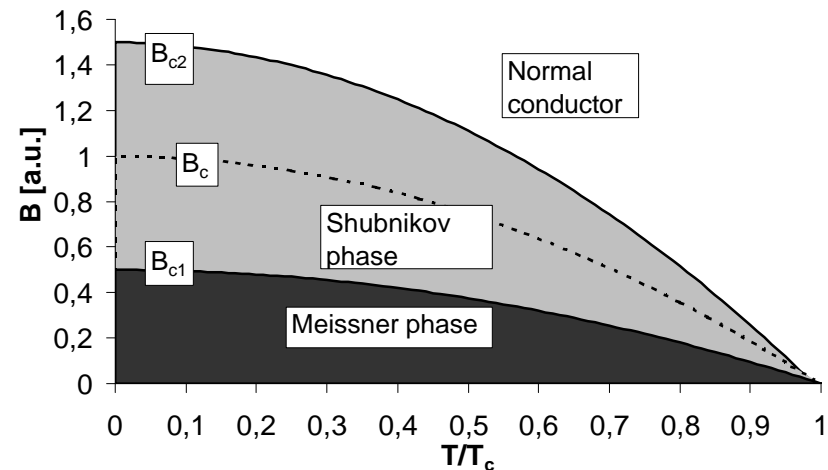


Ginzburg-Landau-Parameter:

$$\kappa = \frac{\lambda_L}{\xi_0}$$

Type I:  $\kappa < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

Type II:  $\kappa > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$



# Flux penetration into a superconductor

Electron holography is used to make magnetic fluxons visible (Tonomura et al.)

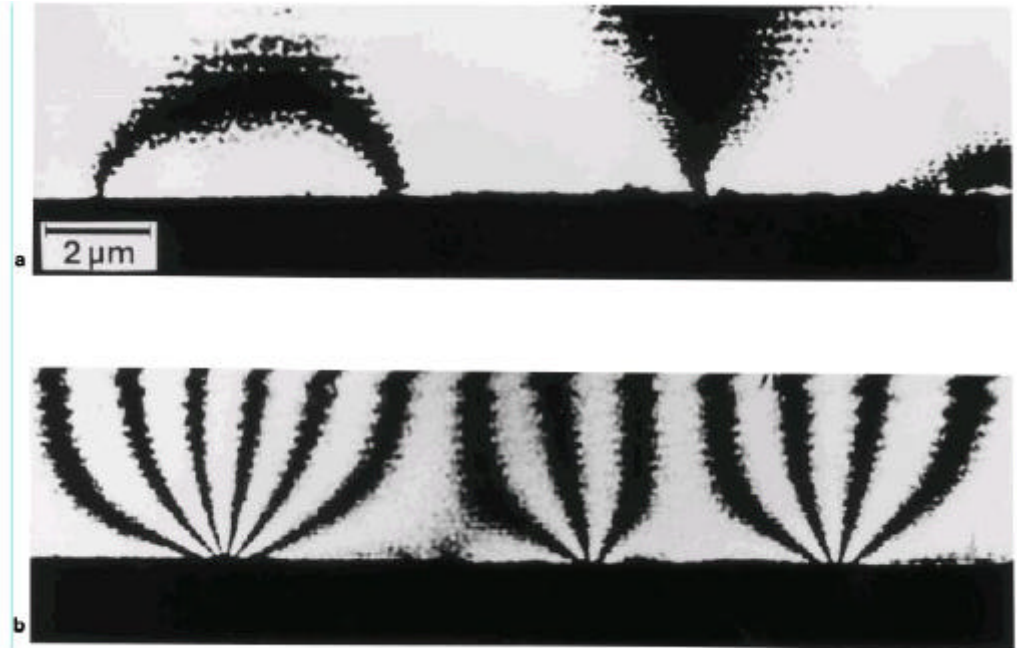


Fig. 6. Interference micrographs of magnetic lines of force penetrating superconducting Pb films; (a) film thickness 0.2 μm; (b) film thickness 1.0 μm.

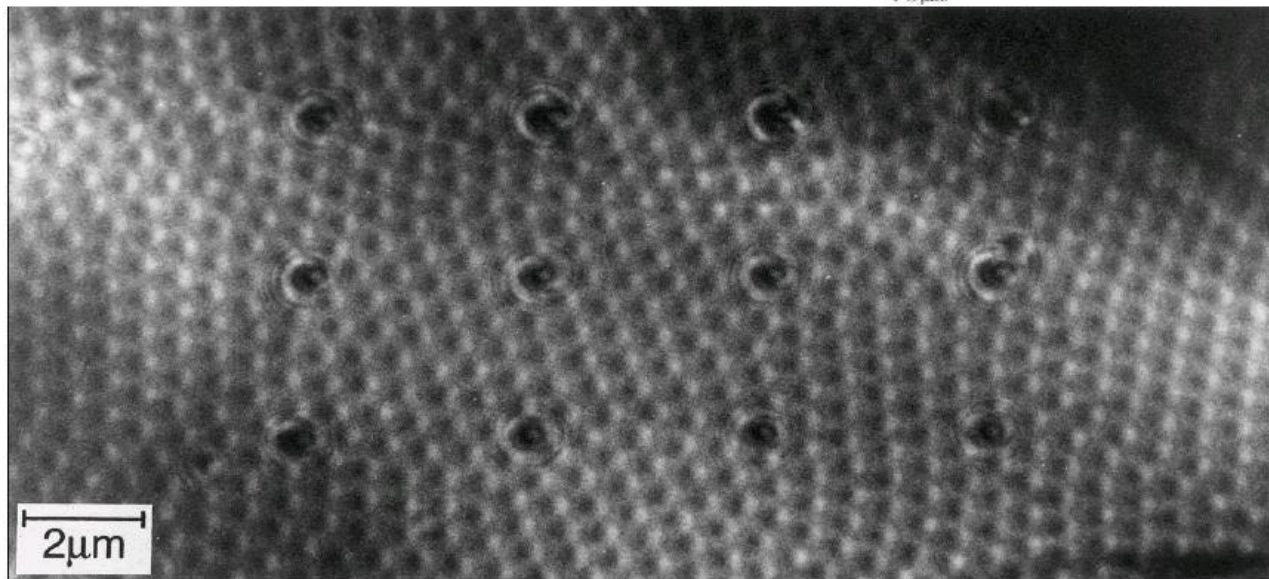


Fig. 16. Vortex configuration near black defects ( $T = 7.5 \text{ K}$ ,  $H = 75 \text{ gauss}$ ).

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Fluxons stick to defects !

This is good for magnets, but bad for cavities (check homework).

$$R_{fl} = \eta \frac{B_{ext}}{B_{c2}} R_{surf,nc}$$



# Critical magnetic field for the RF case

- RF field at 1,3 GHz is on for less than  $10^{-9}$  s
- If there are no nucleation centers (surface defects...) the penetration of the magnetic field can be delayed. **Superheating!**

## Superheating fields:

$$B_{sh} = 0.75B_c \quad \text{for } \kappa \gg 1$$

$$B_{sh} = 1.2B_c \quad \text{for } \kappa \approx 1$$

$$B_{sh} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa}}B_c \quad \text{for } \kappa \ll 1$$

## Niobium properties:

Critical temperature $T_c$	9.2 K
Coherence length $\xi_0$	39 nm
London penetration depth $\lambda_L$	30 nm
GL parameter $\kappa$	0.8

## Ⓟ Theoretical accelerating field limits

Property	Experimental data [mT]	Calculated field [mT]		$E_{acc}$ [MV/m]
	at 4.2 K	at 0 K	at 2 K	
$B_{c1}$	130	164	156	37
$B_c$	158	200	190	45
$B_{sh}$	190	240	230	54
$B_{c2}$	248	312	297	62

What is really the fundamental limit for RF cavities?



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# RF superconductivity

The superconducting Cooper pairs have inertia. Therefore the unpaired normalconducting 'feel' also a part of the electromagnetic RF (ac) fields.

**P** Superconductors have for temperatures  $T > 0$  K a **surface resistance!**

# Electric conductivity and Surface resistance

Normalconducting electrons:

$$n \propto \exp(-E_g/k_B T)$$

$$j_n = \sigma_n E_0 \exp(-i\omega t)$$

Superconducting electrons:

$$m_c \dot{v}_c = -2e E_0 \exp(-i\omega t) \Rightarrow j_c = i \frac{n_c 4e^2}{m_c \omega} E_0 \exp(-i\omega t)$$

Combine both nc and sc electrons:

Ohm's Law:  $j = j_n + j_c = \sigma E_0 \exp(-i\omega t)$

Electric conductivity:

$$\sigma = \sigma_n + i\sigma_c \quad \text{with} \quad \sigma_c = \frac{n_c 4e^2}{m_c \omega}$$



# Electric conductivity and Surface resistance

Surface resistance (analogous to skin depth):  $R_{surf} = Re \left( \frac{1}{\sigma \lambda_L} \right) = \frac{1}{\lambda_L} \cdot \frac{\sigma_n}{\sigma_n^2 + \sigma_c^2}$

Surface resistance for superconductors in BCS theory:

$$R_{BCS} = \frac{C}{T} f^2 \sigma_n \Lambda^3 \exp(-1.76 T_c/T)$$

Effective penetration depth:  $\Lambda = \lambda_L \sqrt{1 + \xi_0/\ell}$

– Resistance depends

- strongly on the temperature, we need 2 K
- quadratically on frequency: Limit for 3 GHz would be 30 MV/m.
- on the mean free path, what purity do we need?

# Surface resistance $R_s$

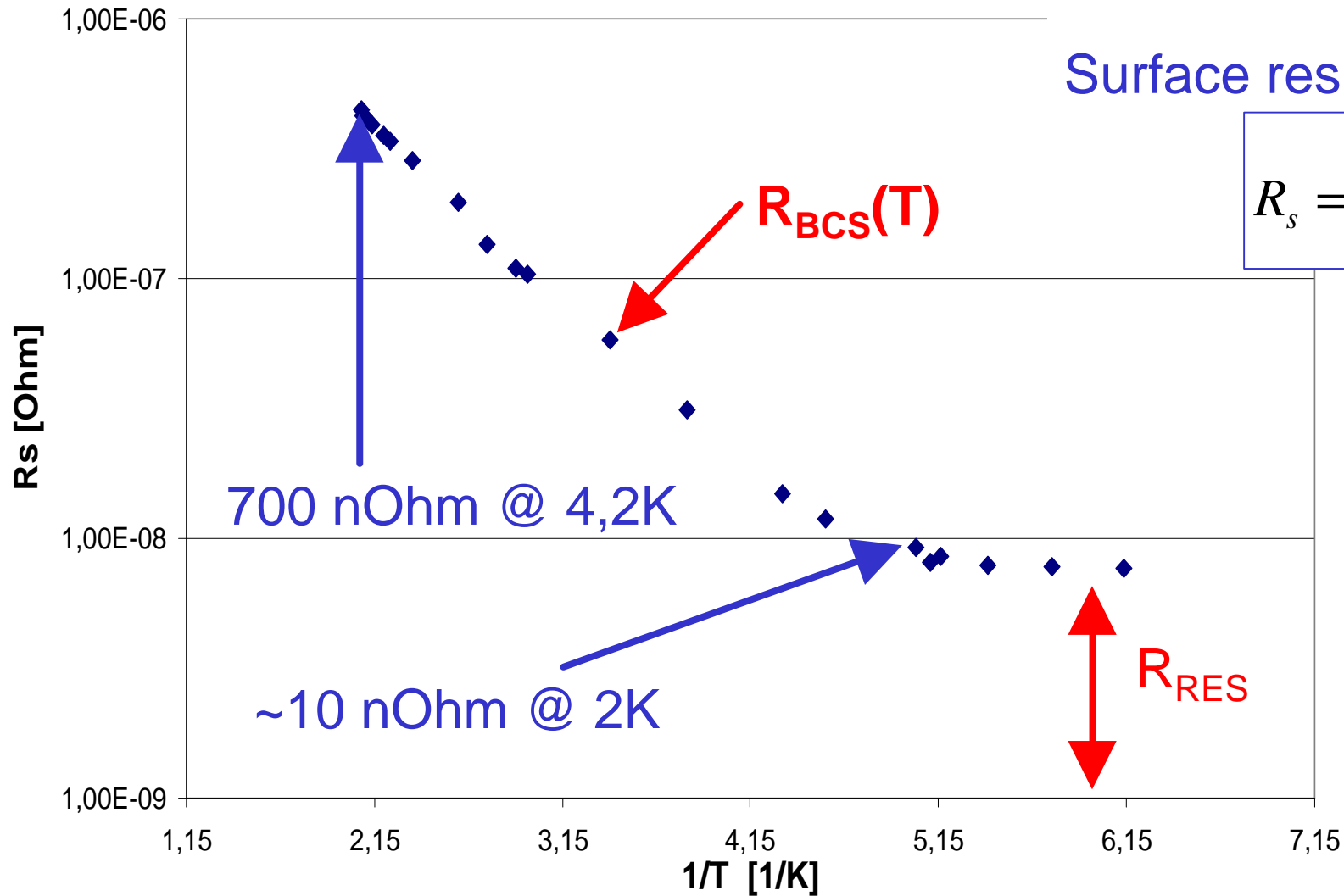
Geometry factor:

$$Q_o = \frac{G}{R_s}$$

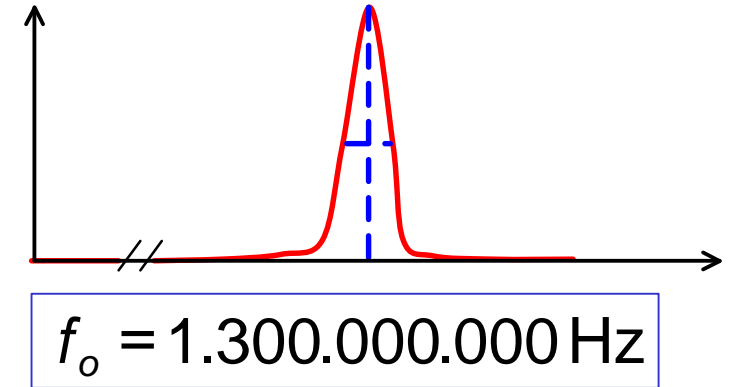
$G = 270 \text{ Ohm}$

Surface resistance:

$$R_s = \frac{A}{T} e^{-\frac{\Delta}{k_B T_C} \frac{T_C}{T}} + R_{res}$$



# Cavities for TESLA -RF surface resistance



Quality factor:

$$Q_0 = \frac{f}{\Delta f} = \frac{270 \text{ Ohm}}{R_s}$$

RF surface resistance:

$$R_s = \frac{A}{T} e^{-\frac{?}{k_B T}} + R_{res}$$

'Natural'

Bandwidth:

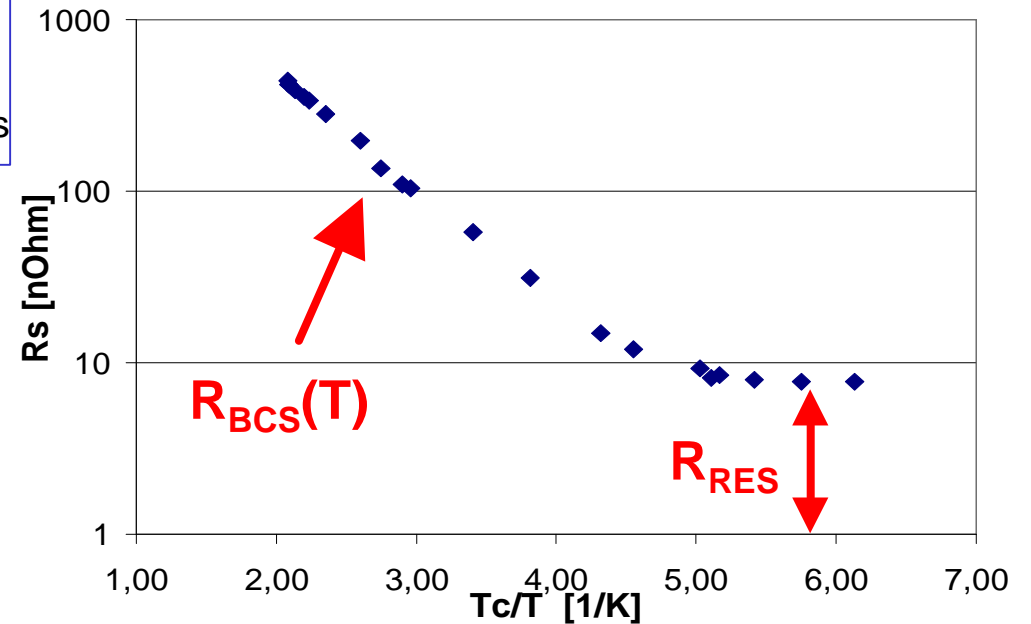
$\Delta f \sim 0,1 \text{ Hz}$

$\Rightarrow Q_0 \gg 10^{10}$

Line width with  
main coupler

$\Delta f \sim 300 \text{ Hz}$

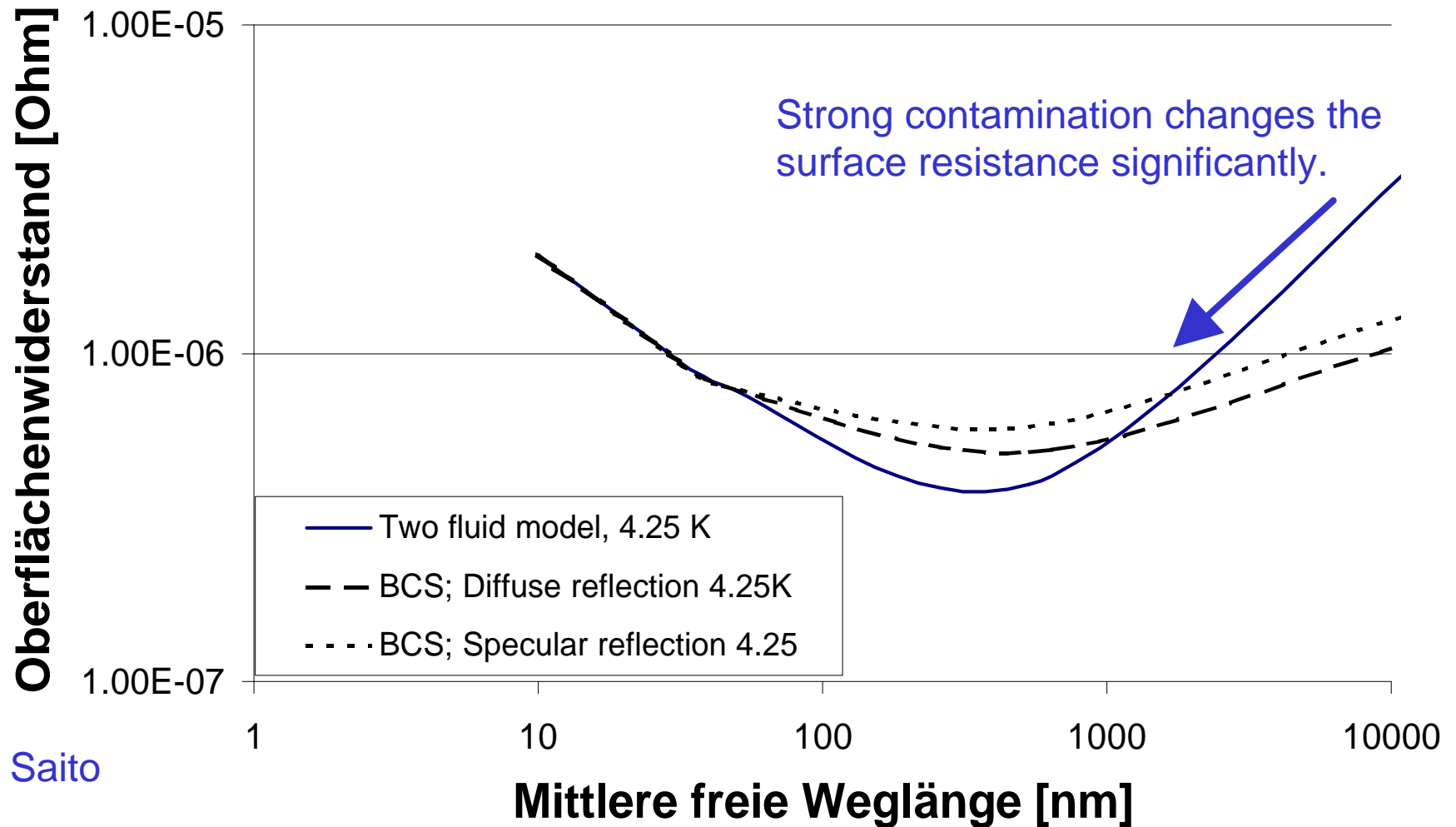
$\Rightarrow Q_0 \gg 10^6$



# Surface resistance and mean free path

In the two-fluid model:

$$R_{BCS}(\ell) \propto \left(1 + \frac{\xi_0}{\ell}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \ell$$



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# Surface resistance and electric conductivity

Normalconductor (Copper):  $R_s = \frac{1}{\sigma d}$  At 1 GHz:  $s = 1 \text{ mm}$   
 $R_s = 4 \text{ m}\Omega$

Superconductor (Niob):

$$j = j_n + j_s = (\sigma_n - i\sigma_s)E$$

$$Z_s = R_s + iX_s$$

$\sigma_n$  Conductivity of normal electrons,  
 $\sigma_s$  Cooperpairs

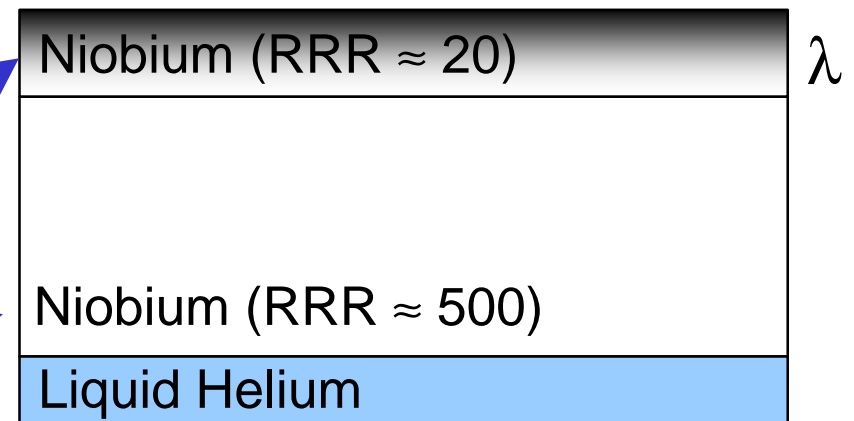
$$\sigma_s \gg \sigma_n$$

$$R_s = \text{Re}(Z_s) \propto \sigma_n^{-1} \propto l$$

Mean free path

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- Ideal superconductor for RF applicaton
1. Layer: slightly contaminated material, small surface resistance
  2. Layer: very pure metal, high thermal conductivity





# Residual surface resistance

- Is not fully theoretically understood, but depends strongly on:

- Surface contamination

- Gas layers
- Dust

- Lattice imperfections

- External magnetic field. Remember:

$$R_{fl} = \eta \frac{B_{ext}}{B_{c2}} R_{surf,nc}$$

- We have to shield sc cavities from magnetic fields to have a low surface resistance!

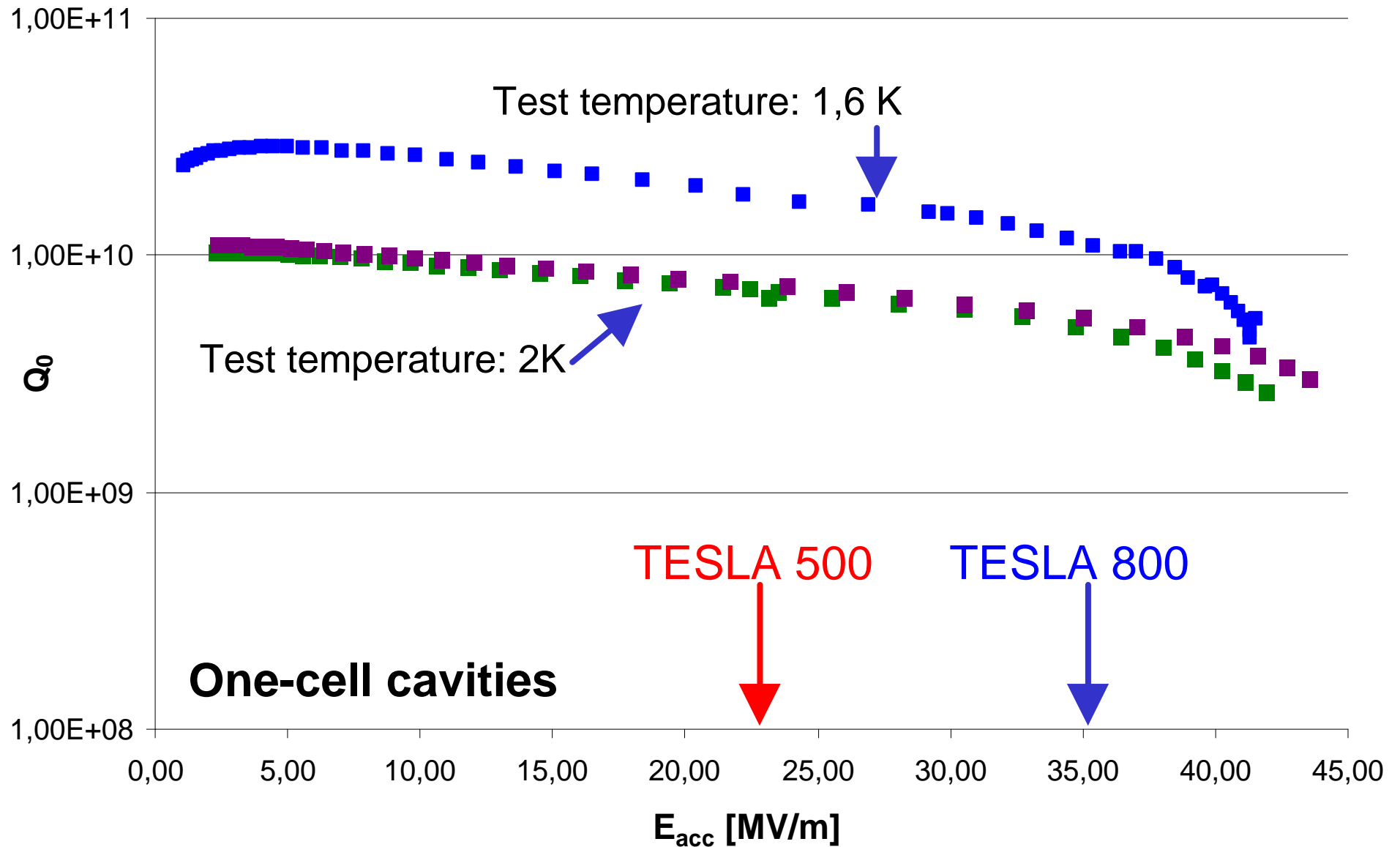
- Typically:  $R_{res} = 5 \text{ nOhm}$

- Lowest:  $R_{res} = 1\text{-}2 \text{ nOhm}$

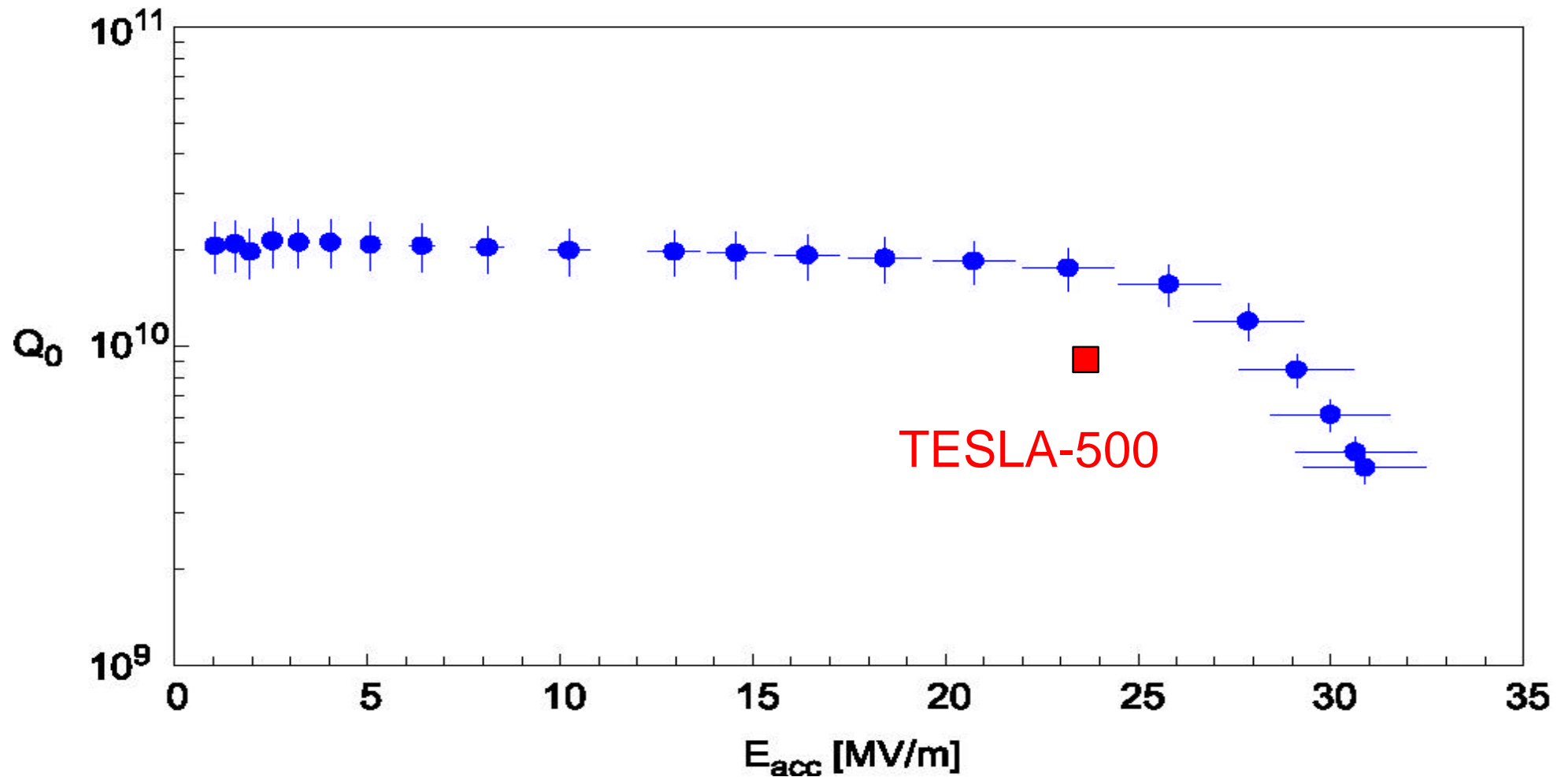
# Surface resistance and accelerating gradient

- One usually measures the  $Q(E_{\text{acc}})$  curve:
  - $Q_0 \sim (1/R_{\text{surf}})$
  - Quality factor will tell you how much you have to pay for the cooling power
  - Depends on the accelerating gradient e.g. field emission
  - Helps to understand the loss mechanisms especially is supported by temperature mapping

# Surface resistance and accelerating gradient



# Example for an excitation curve of a TESLA cavity



Specification:

$E_{acc} = 23,4 \text{ MV/m @ } Q_0 = 1 \cdot 10^{10}$  for TESLA-500

$E_{acc} = 35 \text{ MV/m @ } Q_0 = 5 \cdot 10^9$  for TESLA-800



# Temperature mapping system

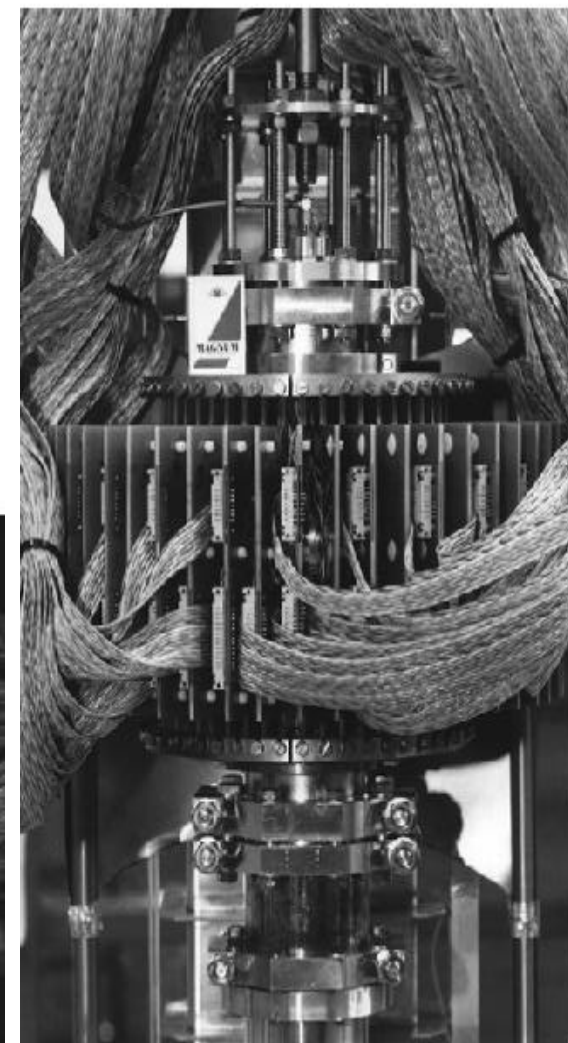
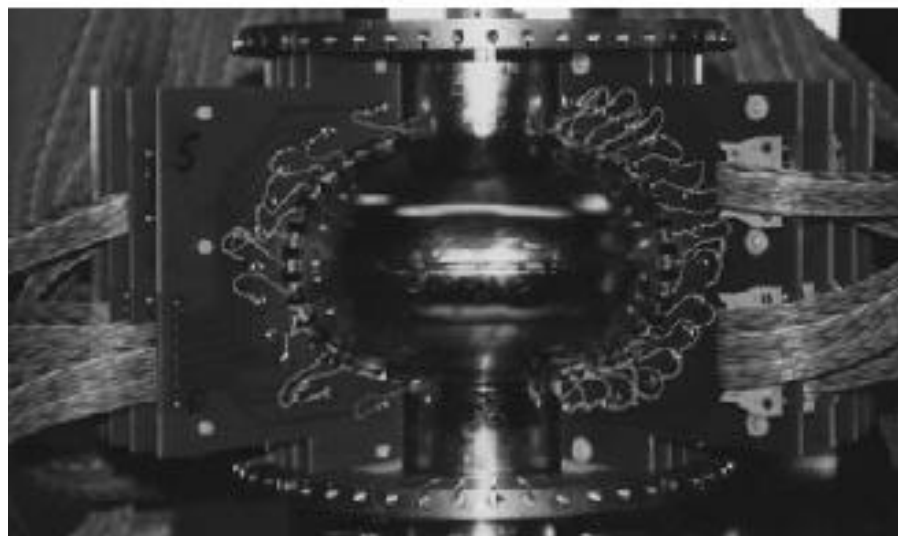
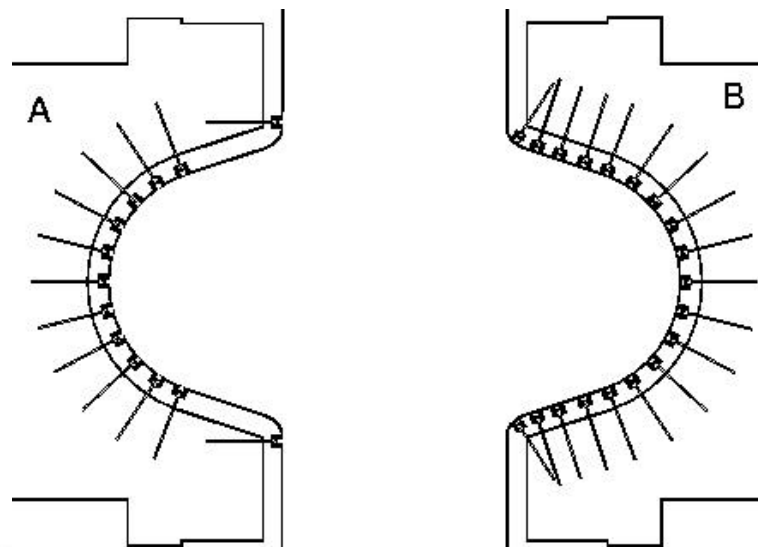
Temperature mapping is a very important tool to understand the loss mechanisms in superconducting cavities.

All loss mechanisms have typical signatures:

- local heating for local defects, multipacting and field emission

- global heating like in the case of high field enhanced surface resistance

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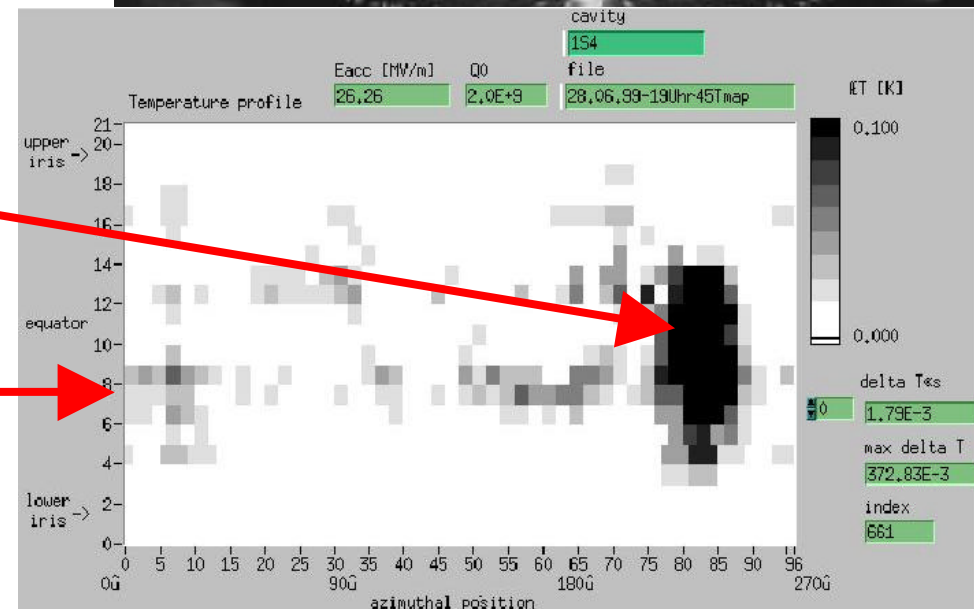
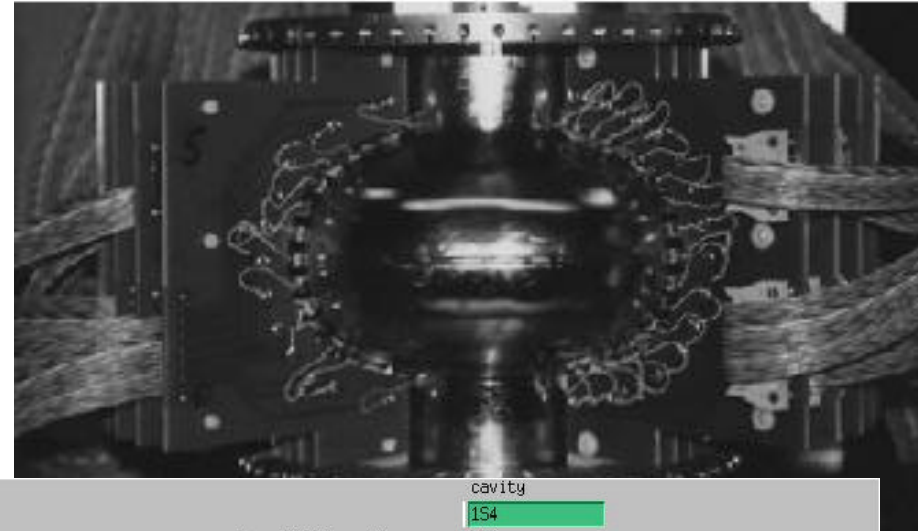
# Temperature mapping system

Example of a  
Temperature mapping:

-the picture shows a  
Mercator projection of a  
single-cell cavity

-strong localised heating  
spot on the equator

-another band of heating  
around the equator in the  
high magnetic field (high  
current) region



# Outline of the lecture

- RF cavities
- Superconductivity basics
- RF superconductivity
- Limitations of SRF cavities

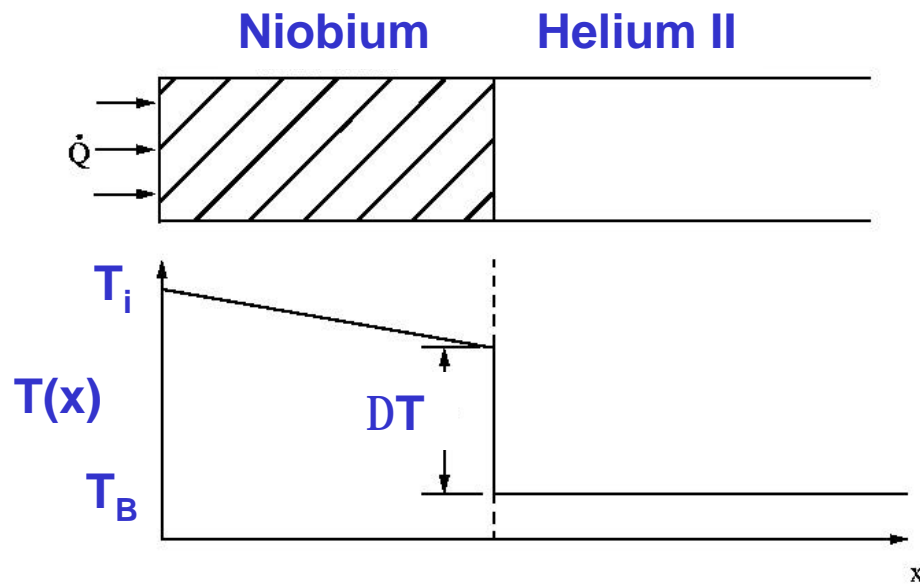


# Limitations of SRF cavities

- Surface and material science
- Defects - Thermal conductivity
- Field emission
- Multipacting
- Increased surface resistance at high field



# Thermal Conductivity and Defects



- The RF current produces **heat**
- Superconductors are **bad heat conductors**
  - Heat conductivity
  - Kapitza Nb/He interface resistance
- A small **normalconducting defect** can produce a **very large heating** (Factor  $10^6$  surface resistance!)

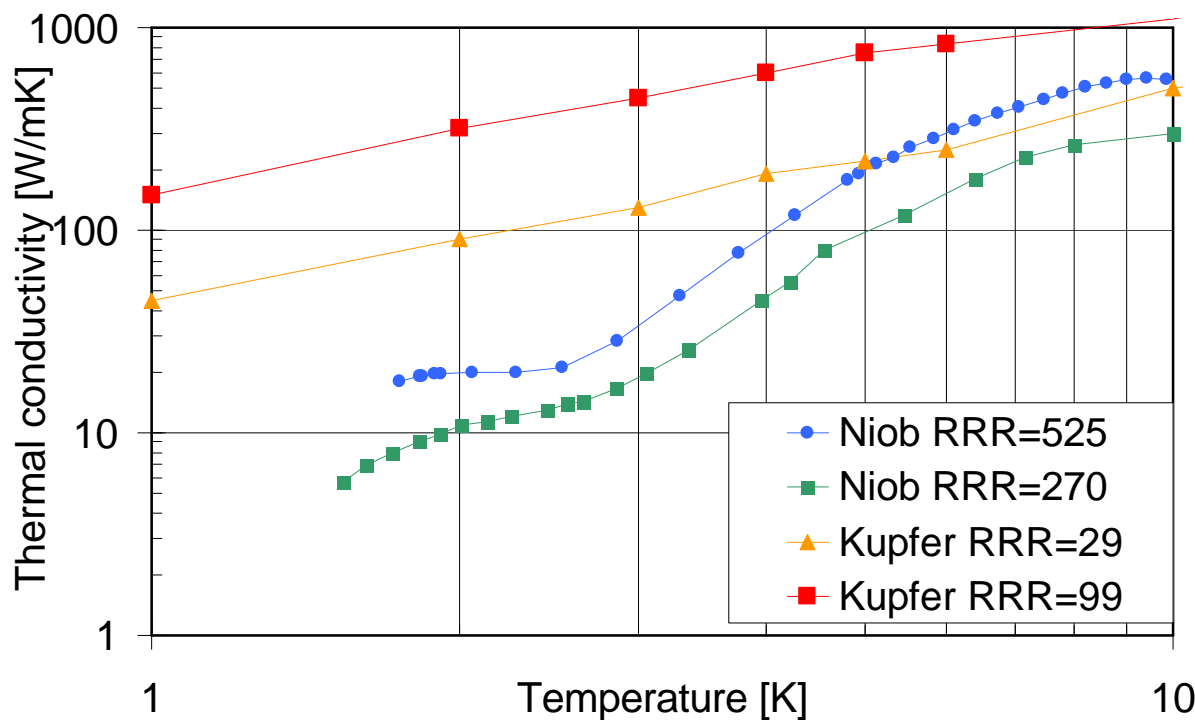
Temperature difference between inner surface and helium bath temperature:

$$T_i - T_B = \frac{\dot{Q}}{A} \left( \frac{d}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{h_k} \right)$$

Thermal and Kapitza conductivity

# Thermal Conductivity and Defects

- Defects (e.g. foreign material inclusions) have to be **very small** (Factor  $10^{-6}$ )
- The **thermal conductivity** of niobium **has to be high**
  - ⇒ Very pure material
  - ⇒ **This means a high RRR (residual resistivity ratio)**



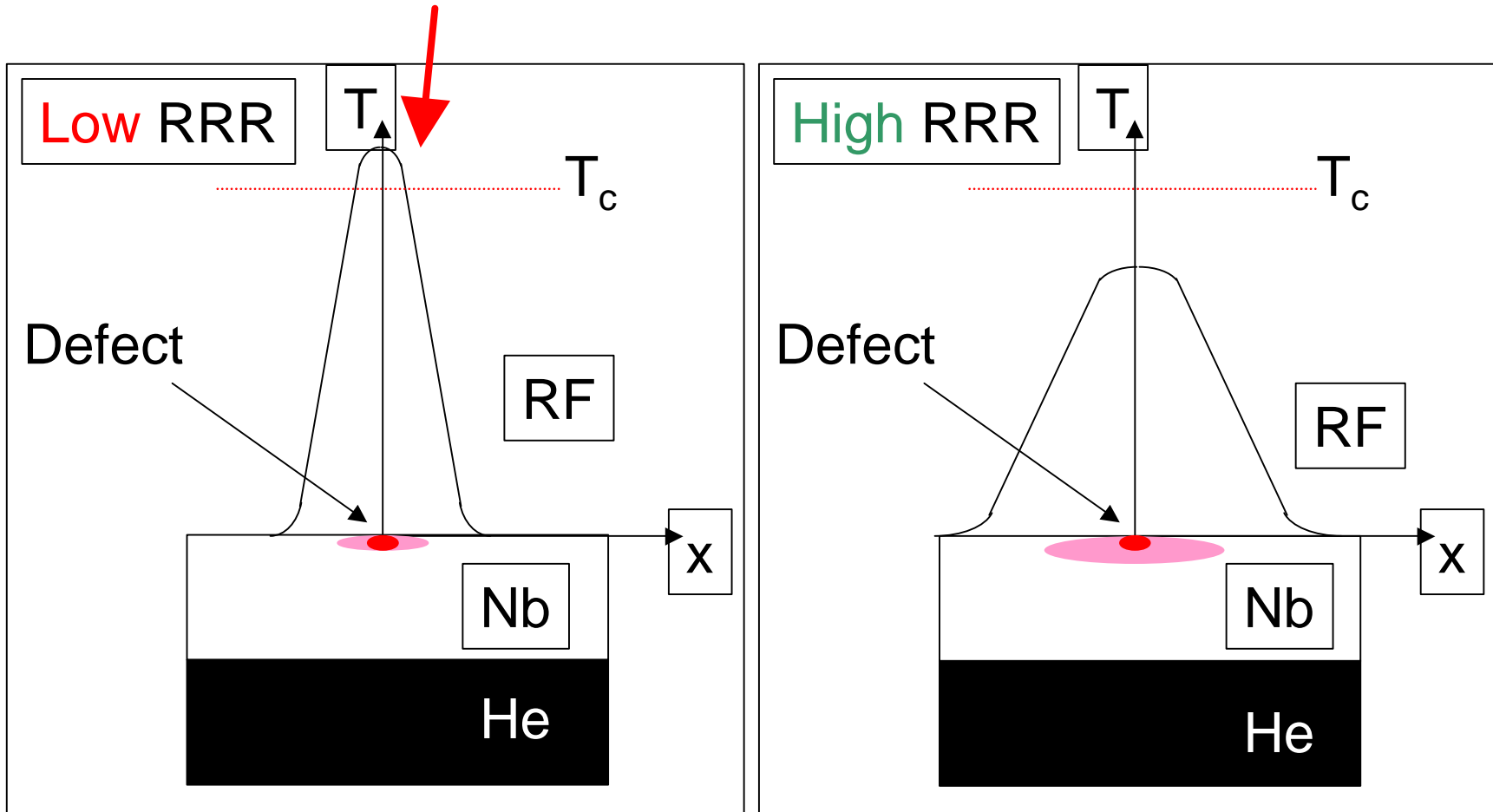
$$RRR = \frac{\rho_{nc}(300K)}{\rho_{nc}(4.2K)}$$

$$\approx 4 \cdot \lambda_{thermal}(4.2K)$$

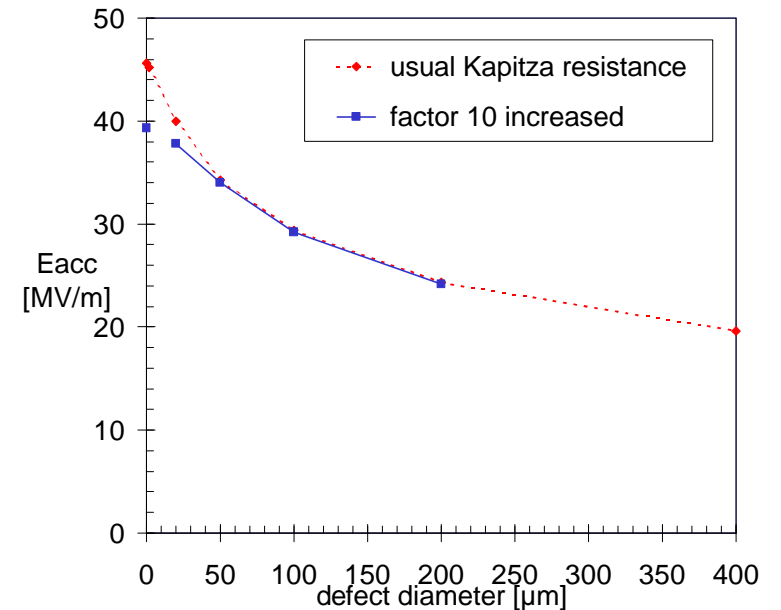
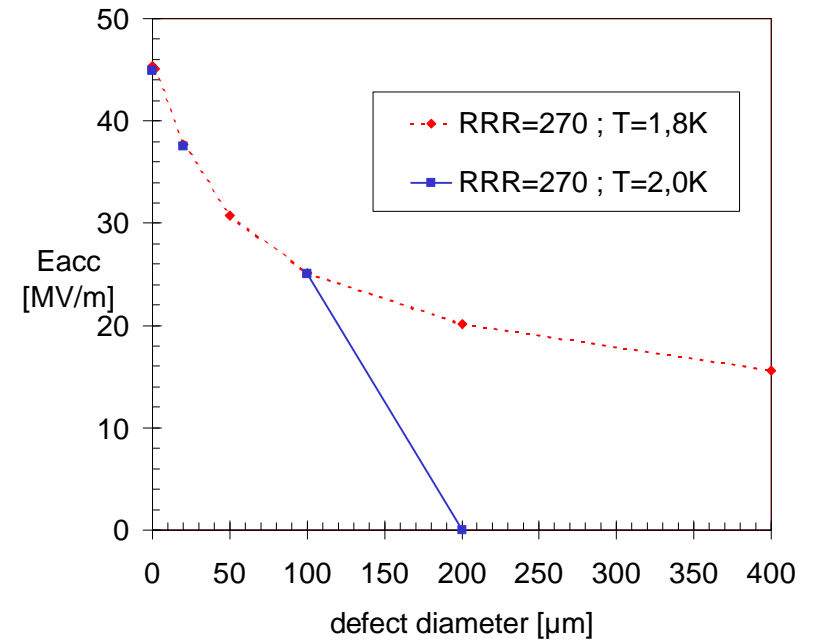
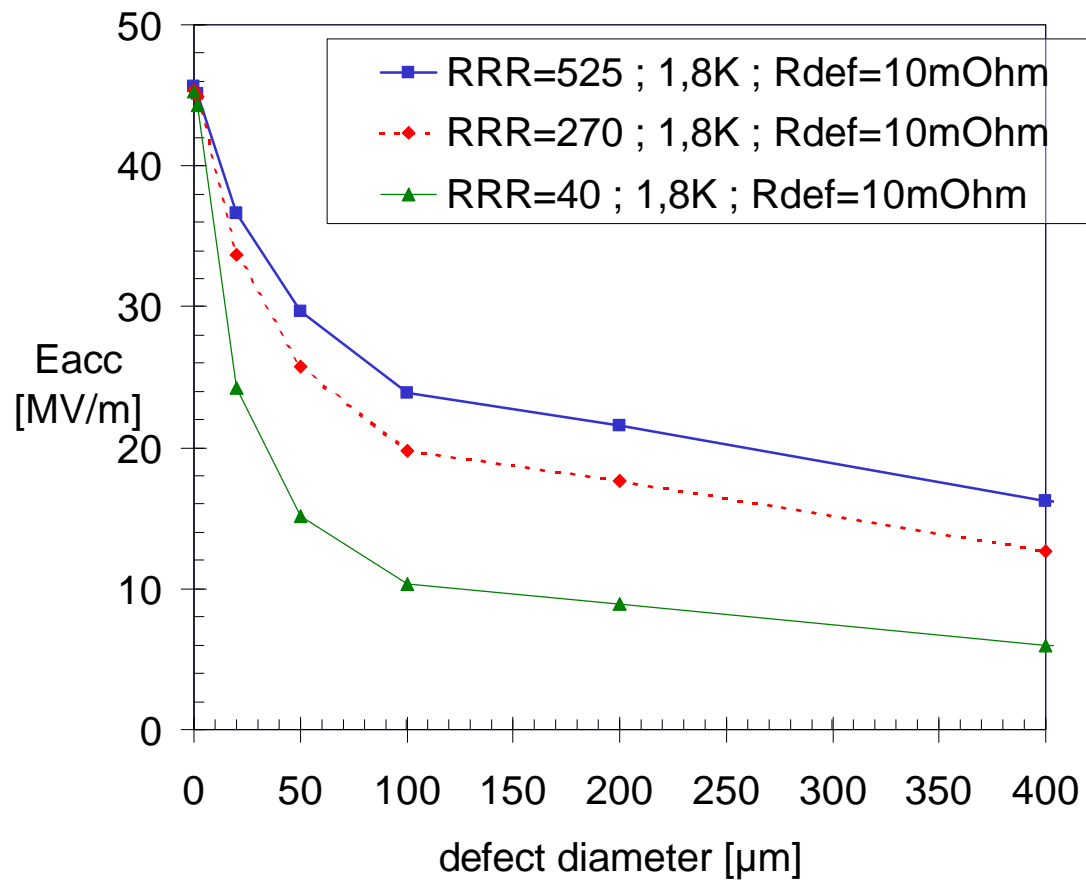
**Rule of thumb**

# Stabilising normalconducting defects

Thermal breakdown = QUENCH!



# Numerical thermal model calculations



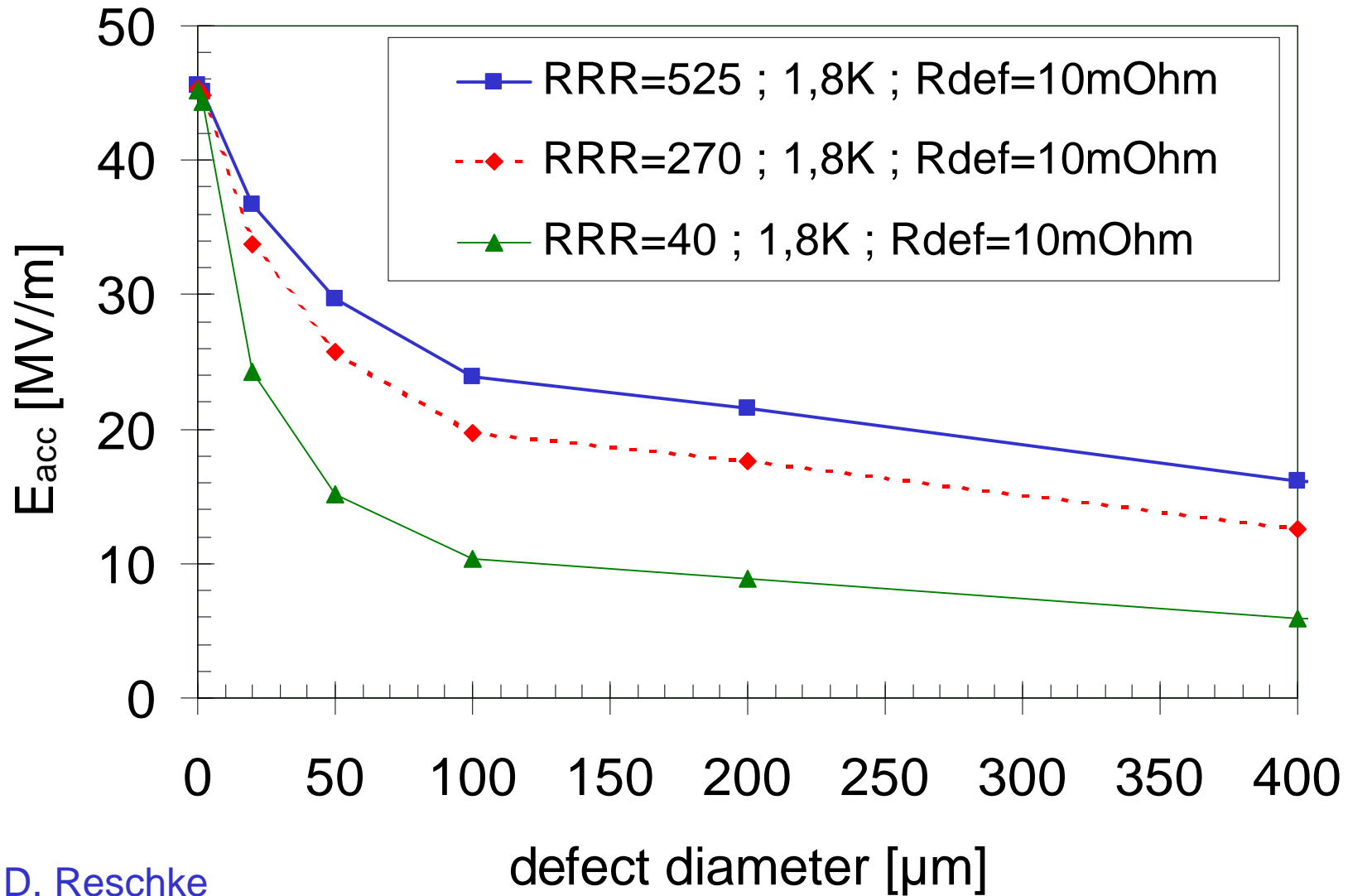
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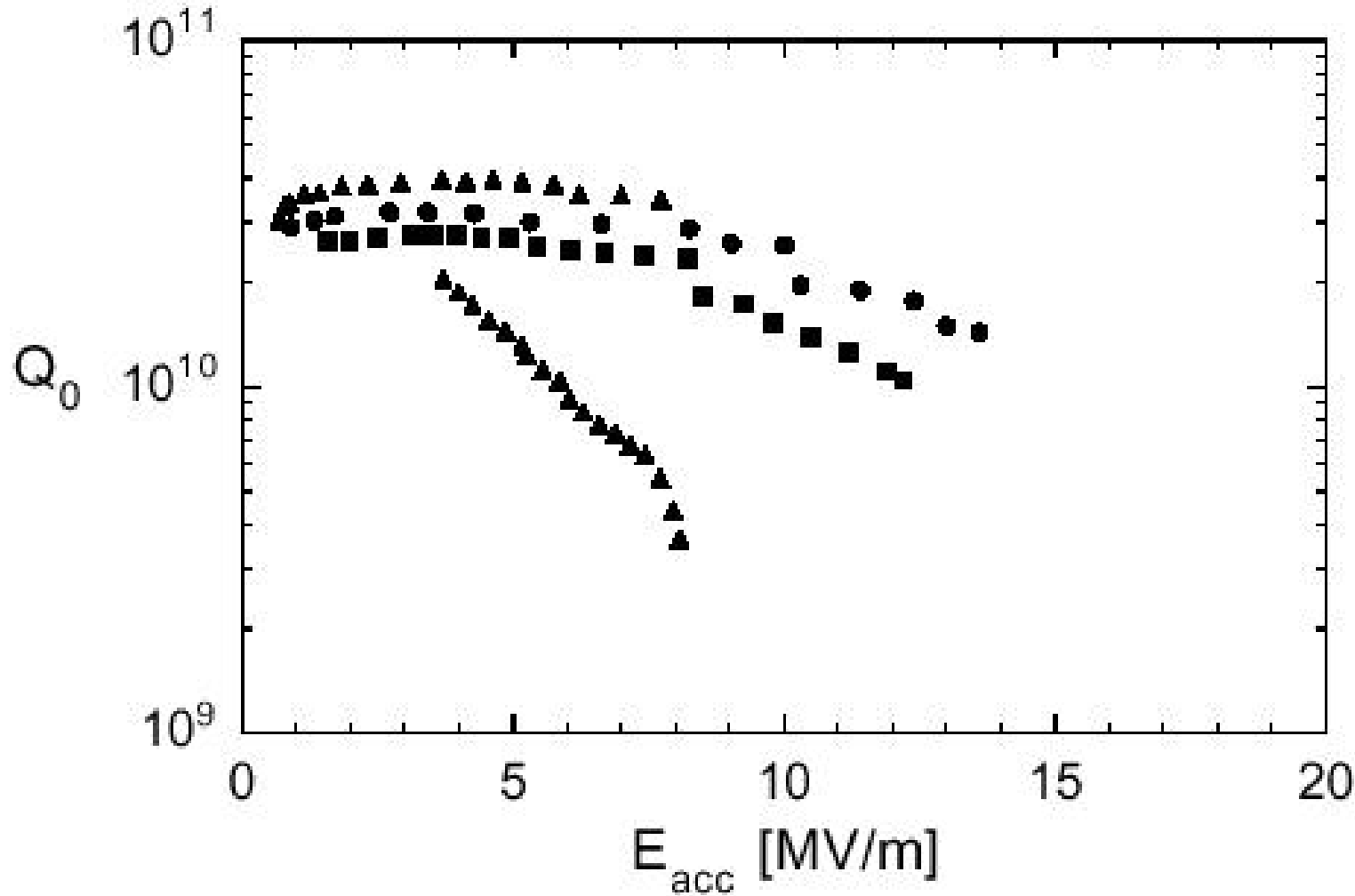
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# Numerical thermal models



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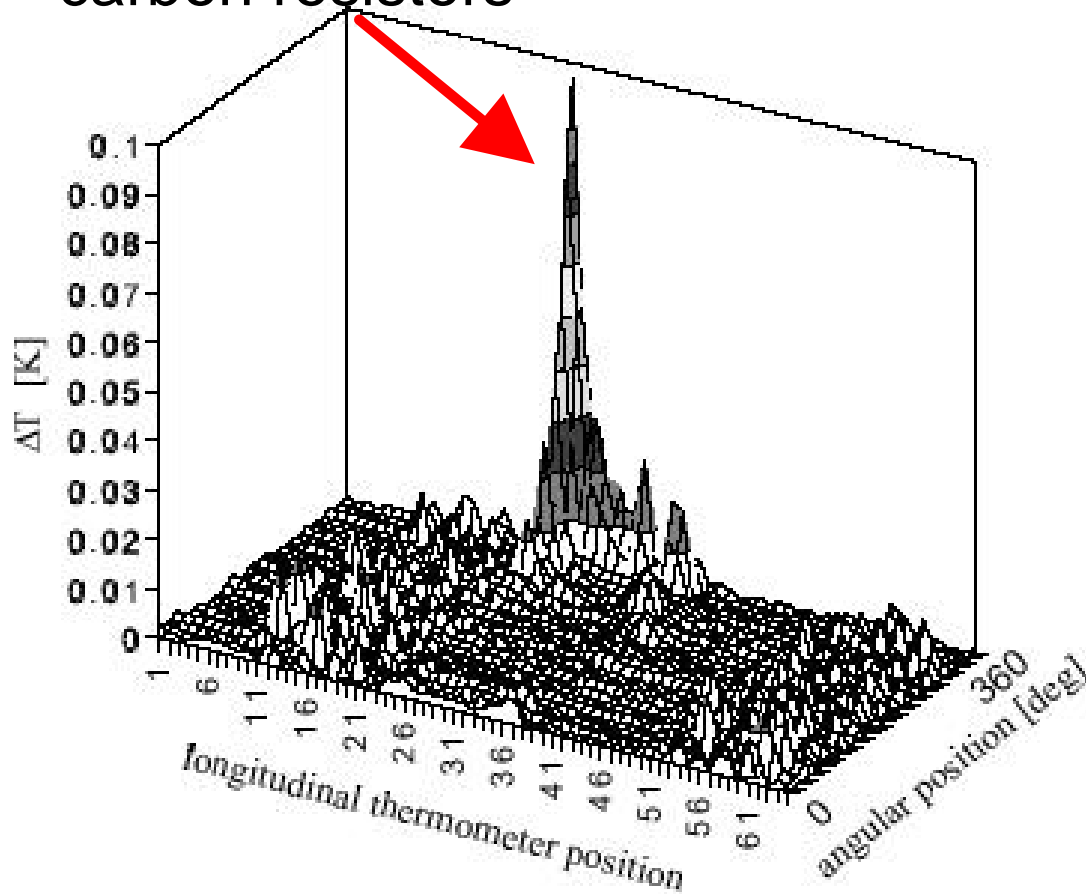
# Examples of cavities with material defects



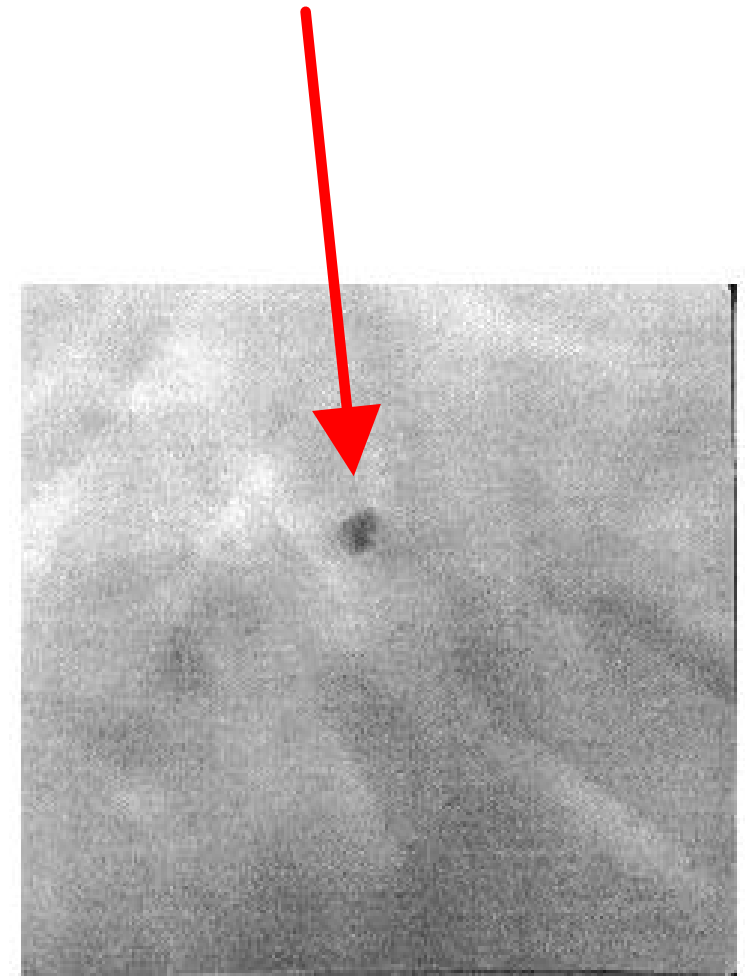
No eddy-current scanning was applied on the niobium sheets used in these cavities from the first production series.

# Example of a material defect

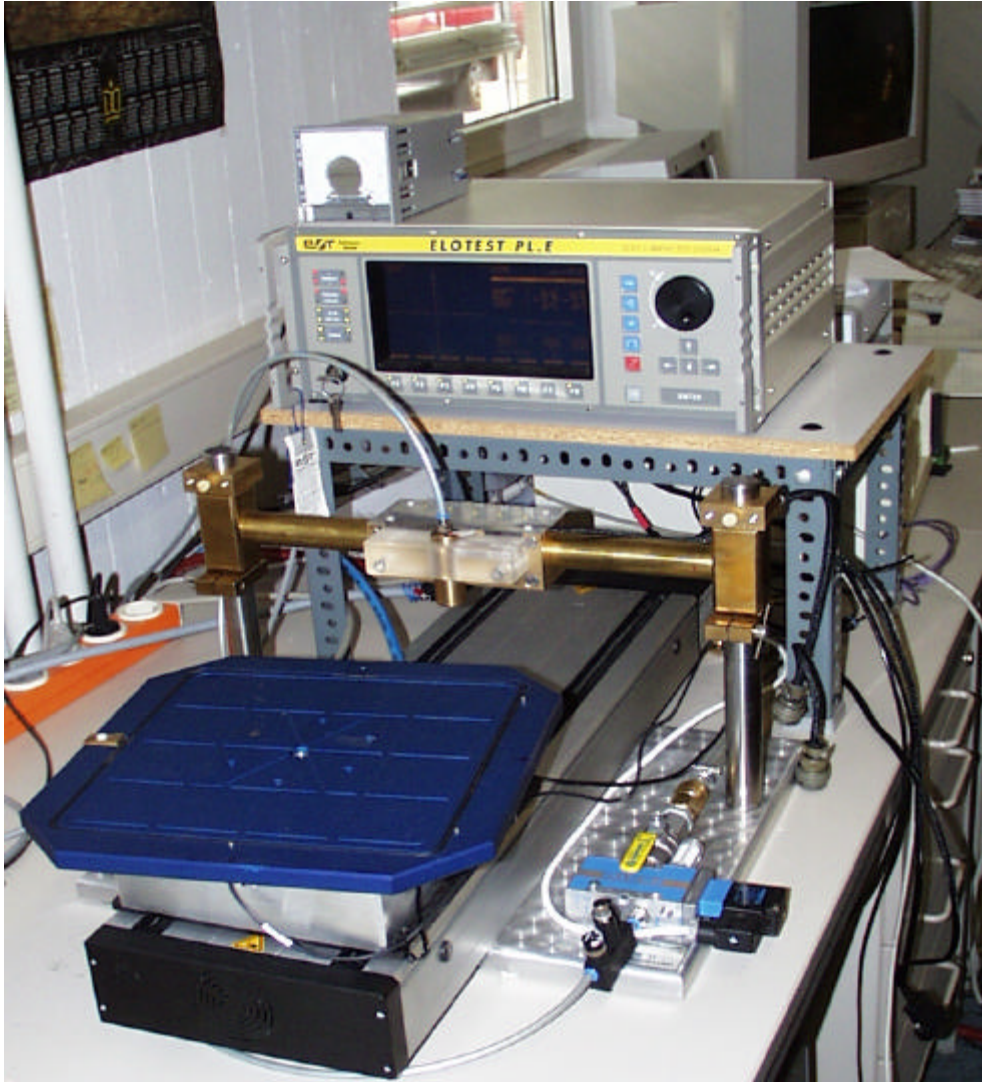
Heating on the outside surface measured with carbon resistors



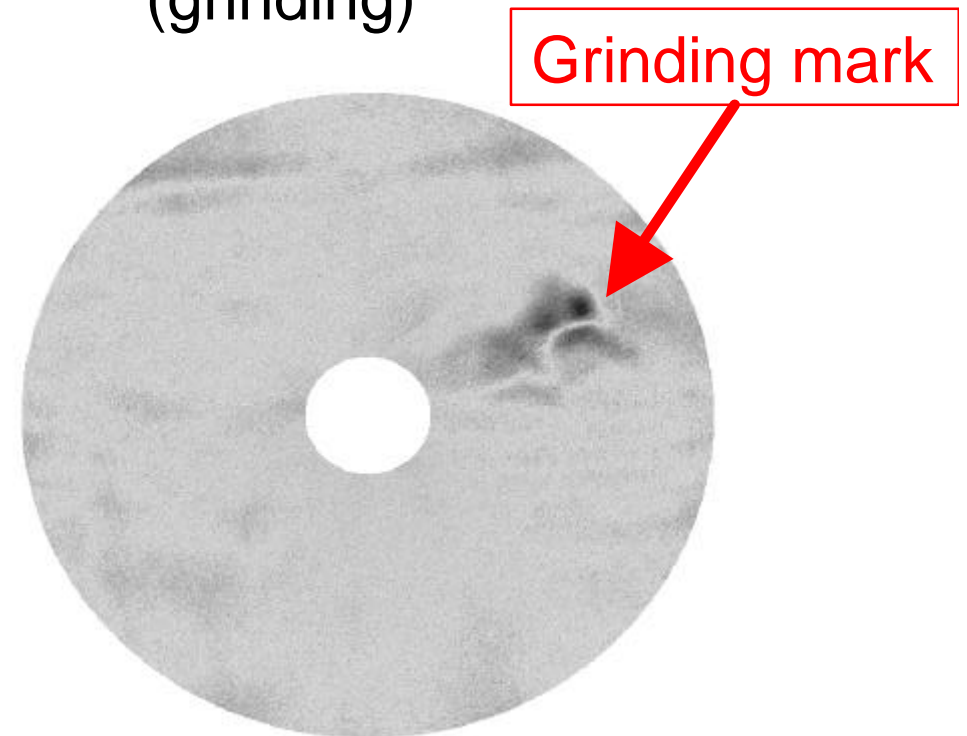
Defect found with X-ray technique: Tantalum



# Eddy current scanning

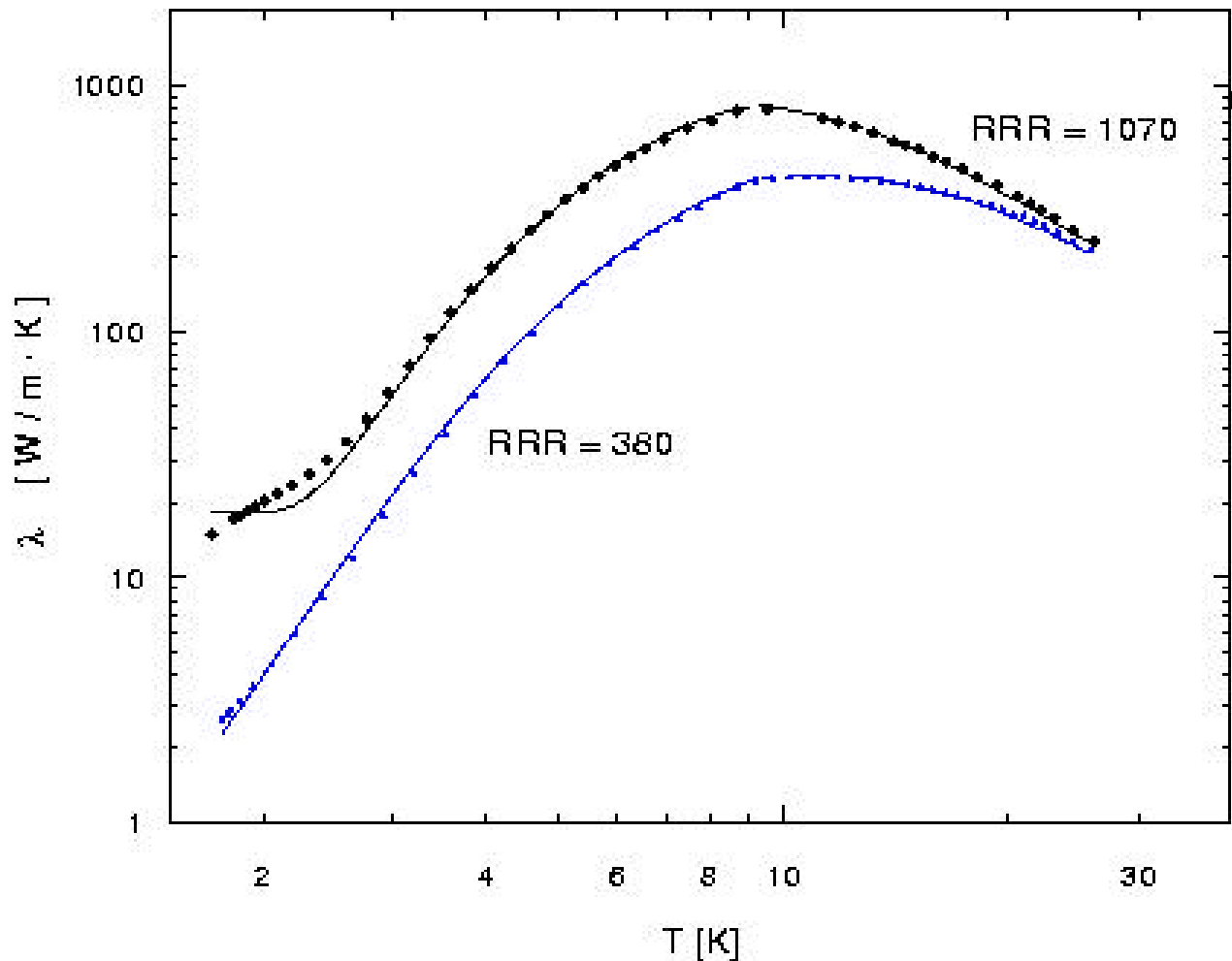


- Large tantalum inclusions ( $\sim 200 \mu\text{m}$ ) and places with irregular patterns from surface preparation (grinding)



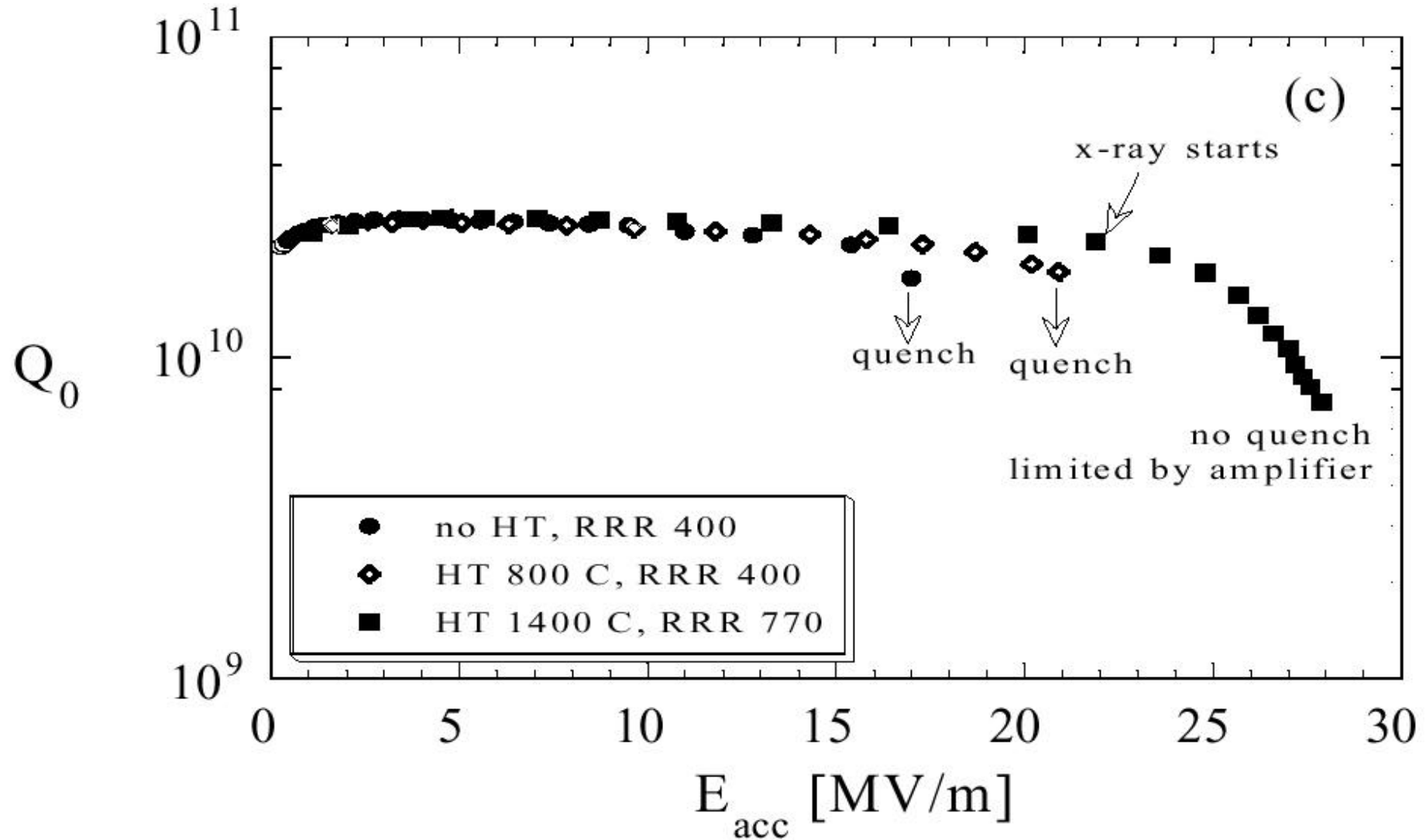


# Thermal conductivity of Niobium



- Higher thermal conductivity means:
  - better to stabilise defects
  - higher niobium quality

# Benefit of the high temperature heat treatments

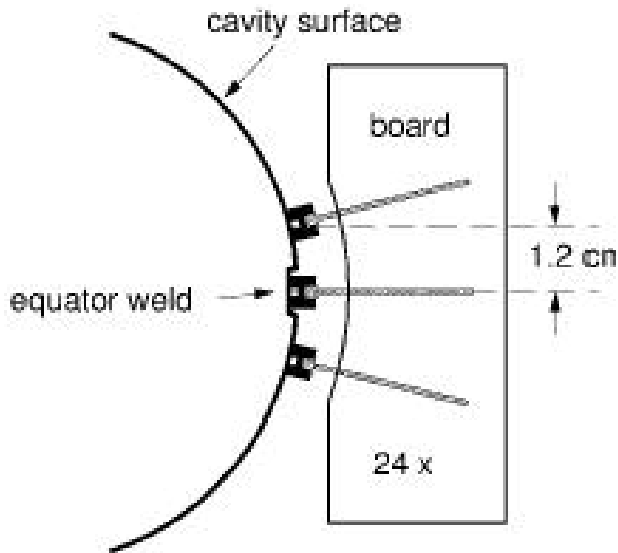


# Thermal Breakdown

- Temperature of part (or all) of surface exceeds  $T_c$ , dissipating all stored energy.
- **Localised effect**  $\Rightarrow$  surface defect has higher  $R_s$ .
- Quench occurs when surrounding material cannot transport the increased thermal load to the helium.
- Possible solution: **High RRR**  $\Rightarrow$  less defects or higher purity.

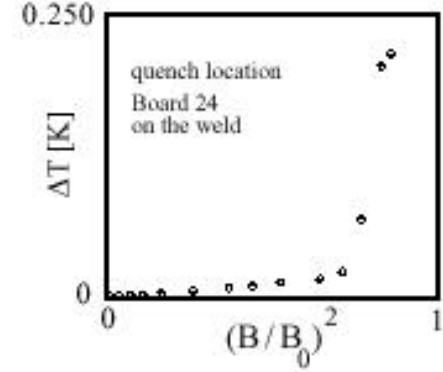
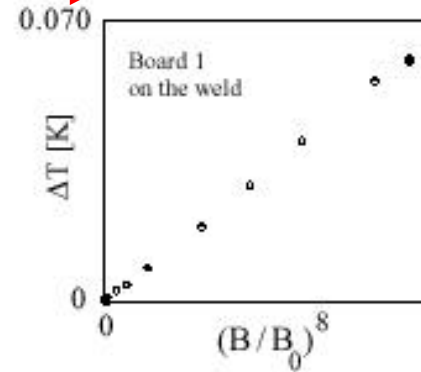
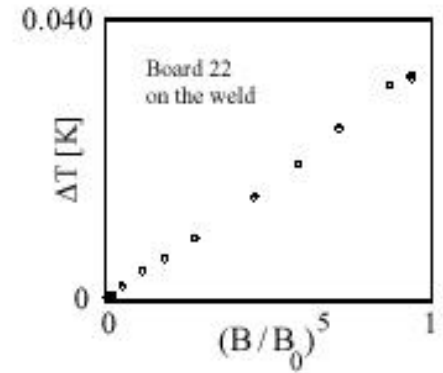
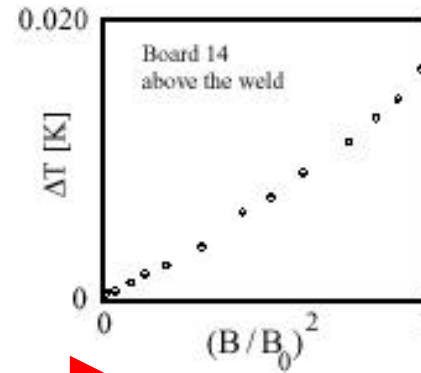
# Imperfect equator welds

Temperature mapping of the equator region

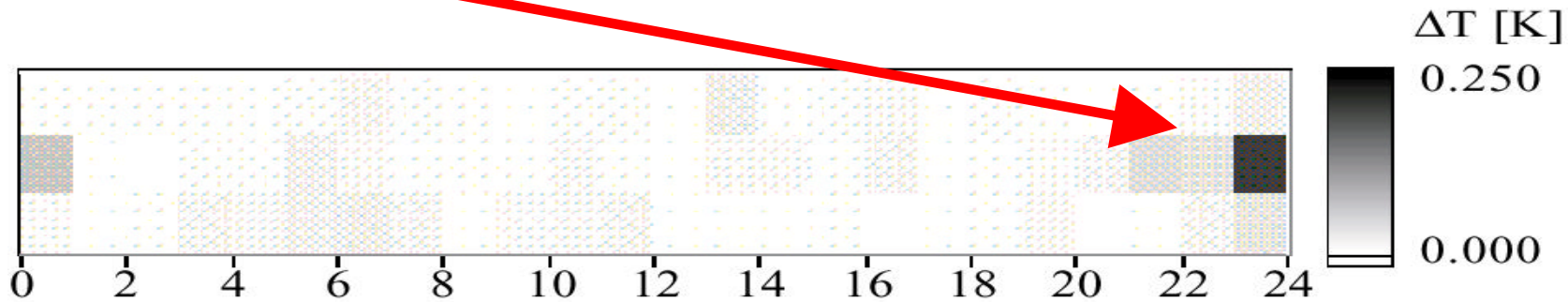


Thermometer response:

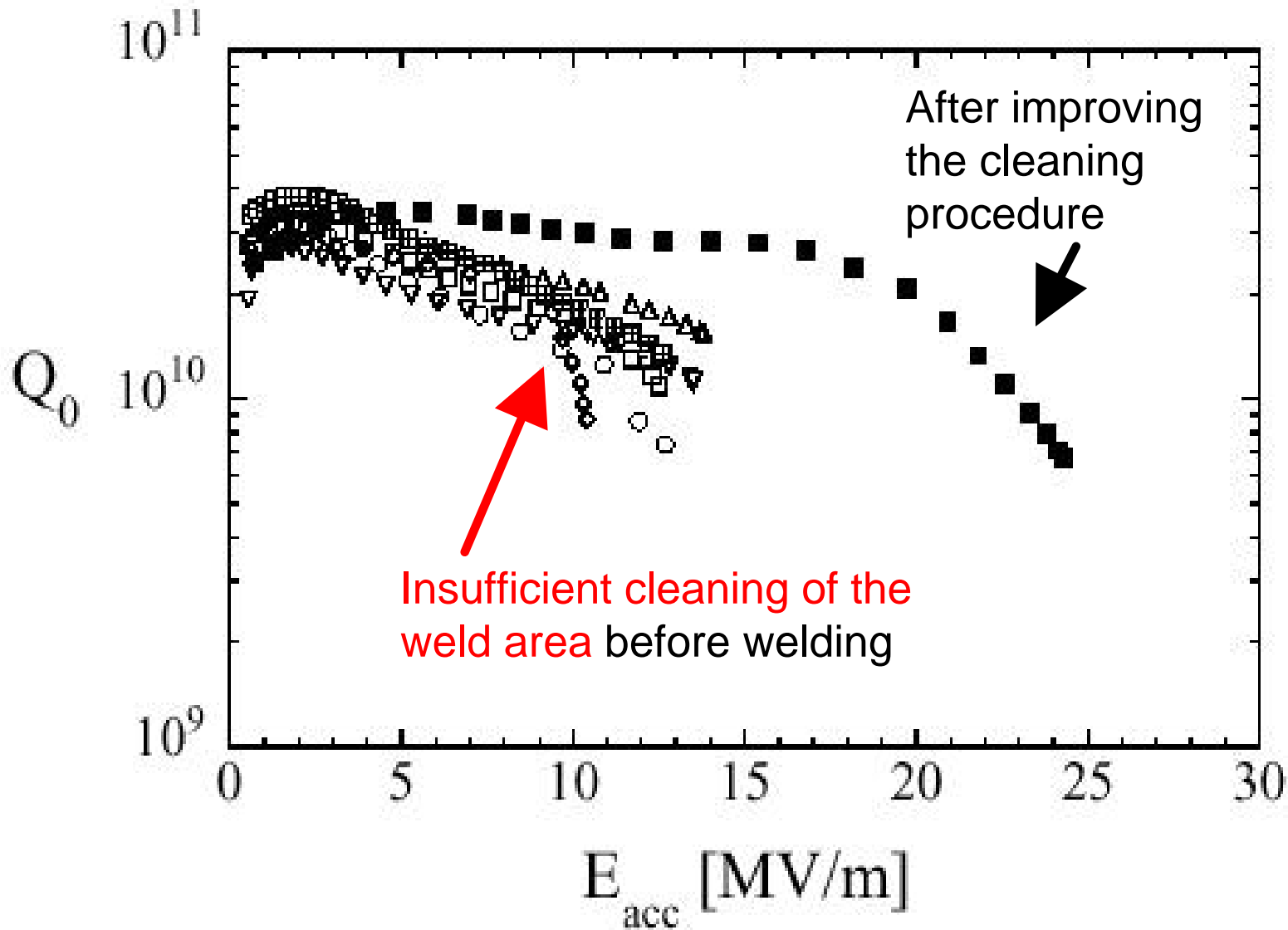
$$\Delta T \sim B^2 - B^8$$



Heating on the equator



# Imperfect equator welds



By now four manufacturers have qualified to produce reliably high performing cavities.

# Field Emission

- **Primary limitation** over past 5-10 years
- **Emission of  $e^-$**  from cavity surface in presence of **high surface E-fields**
- Emitted  $e^-$  impacts elsewhere on cavity surface, heating the surface and increase  $R_s$
- Limits the achievable  $E_{acc}$  in cavity
  
- **Very clean surface preparation and handling are needed**
- For a detailed theory see [Padamsee et al 1998]

# Distribution of Maximum Operational SRF Cavity Gradients in CEBAF by Type of Limitation

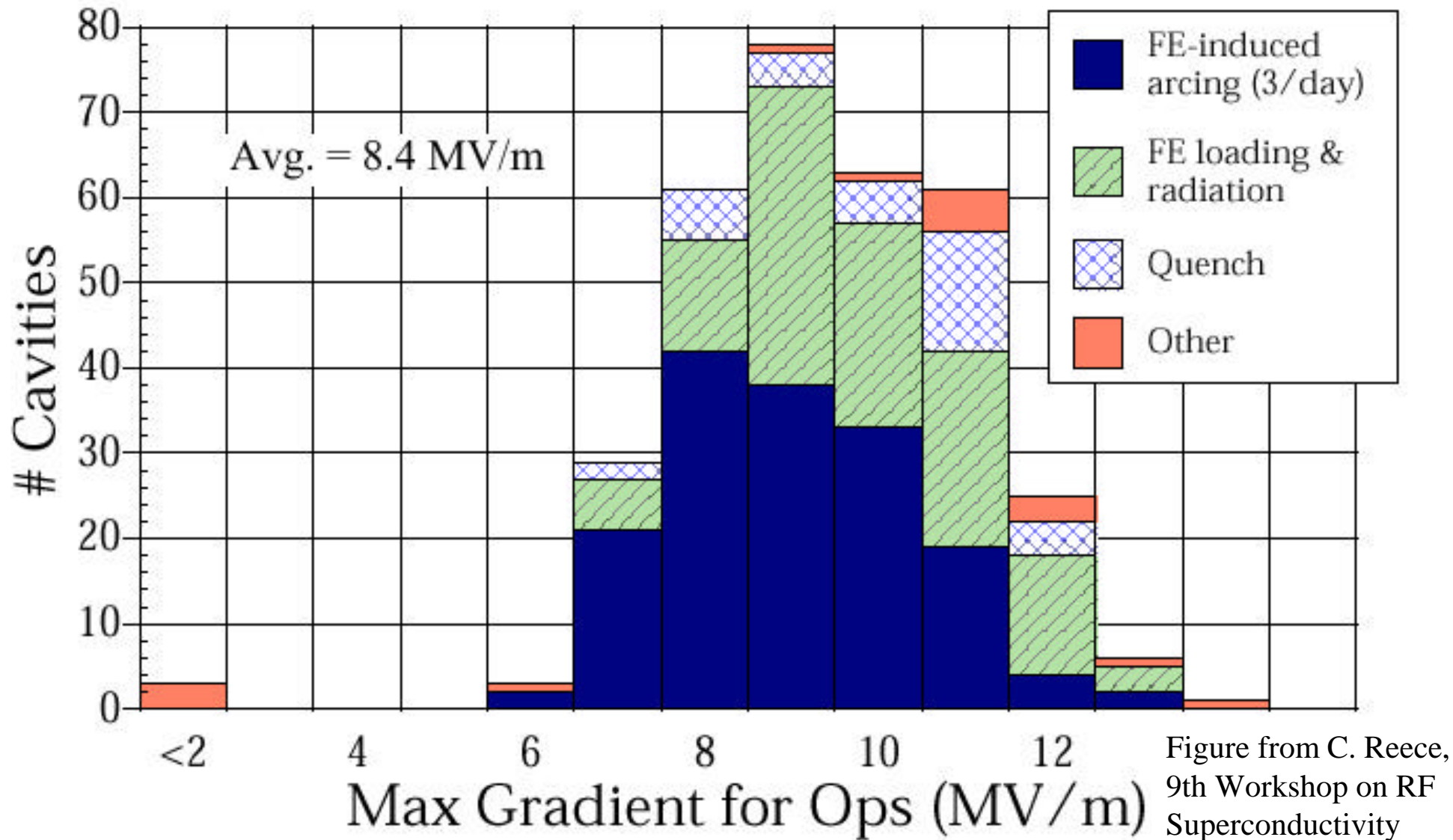


Figure from C. Reece, 9th Workshop on RF Superconductivity

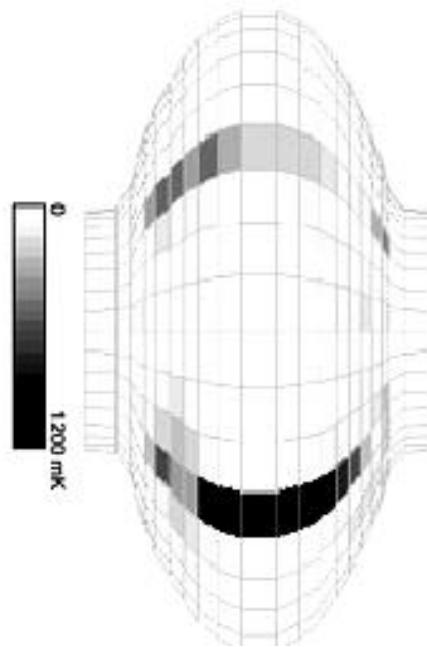


# Field Emission

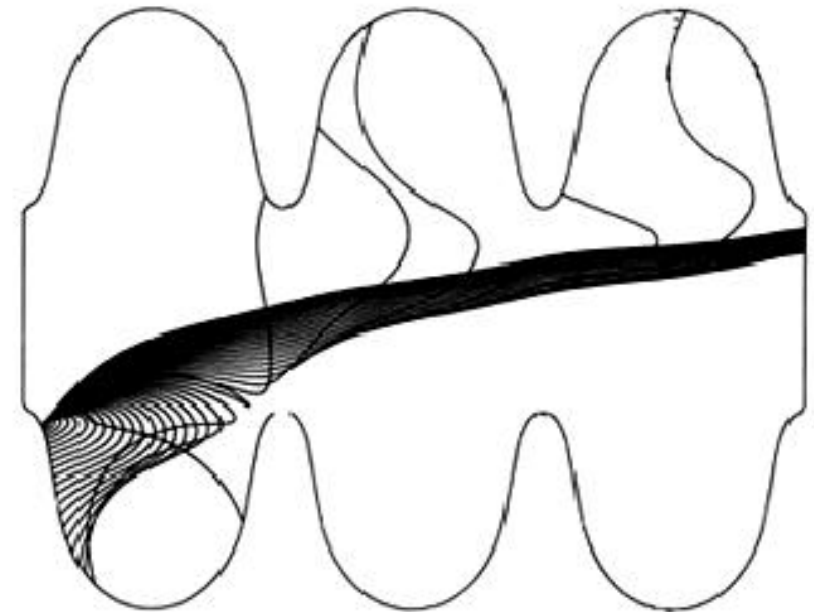
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**Particle** causing field emission



**Temperature map** of a field emitter



Simulation of electron trajectories in a cavity



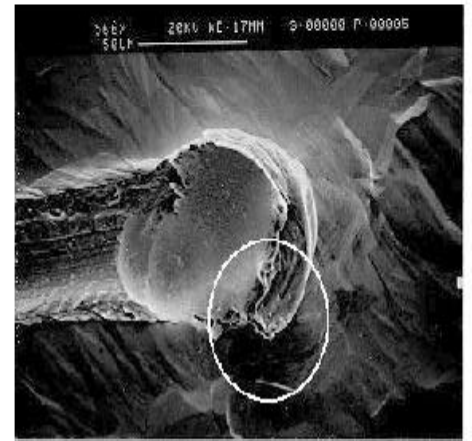
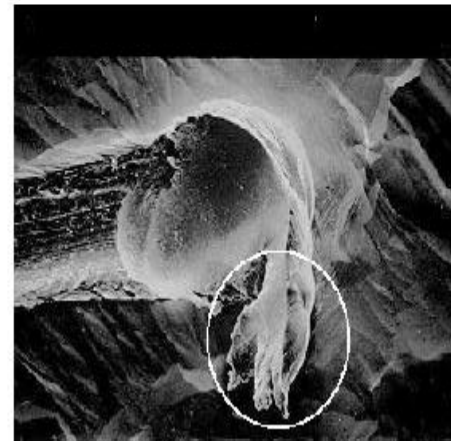
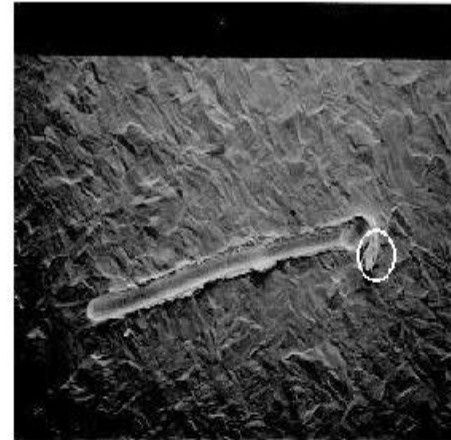
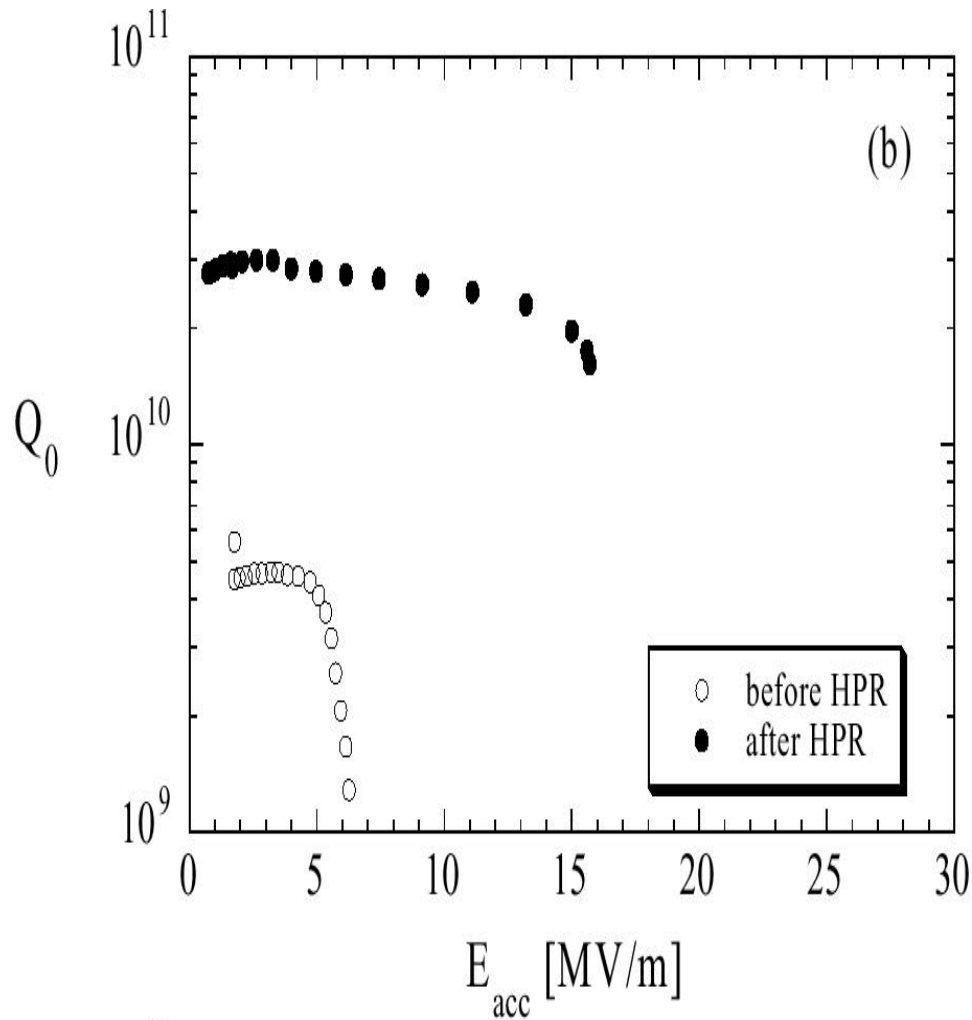
# High pressure ultra-pure water rinsing



Ultra-pure water (18 M $\Omega$ , particle filter <math><0.4 \mu\text{m}</math>) is sprayed with 100 bar on the niobium surface. This removes particles very efficiently.



# High Pressure Water Rinsing

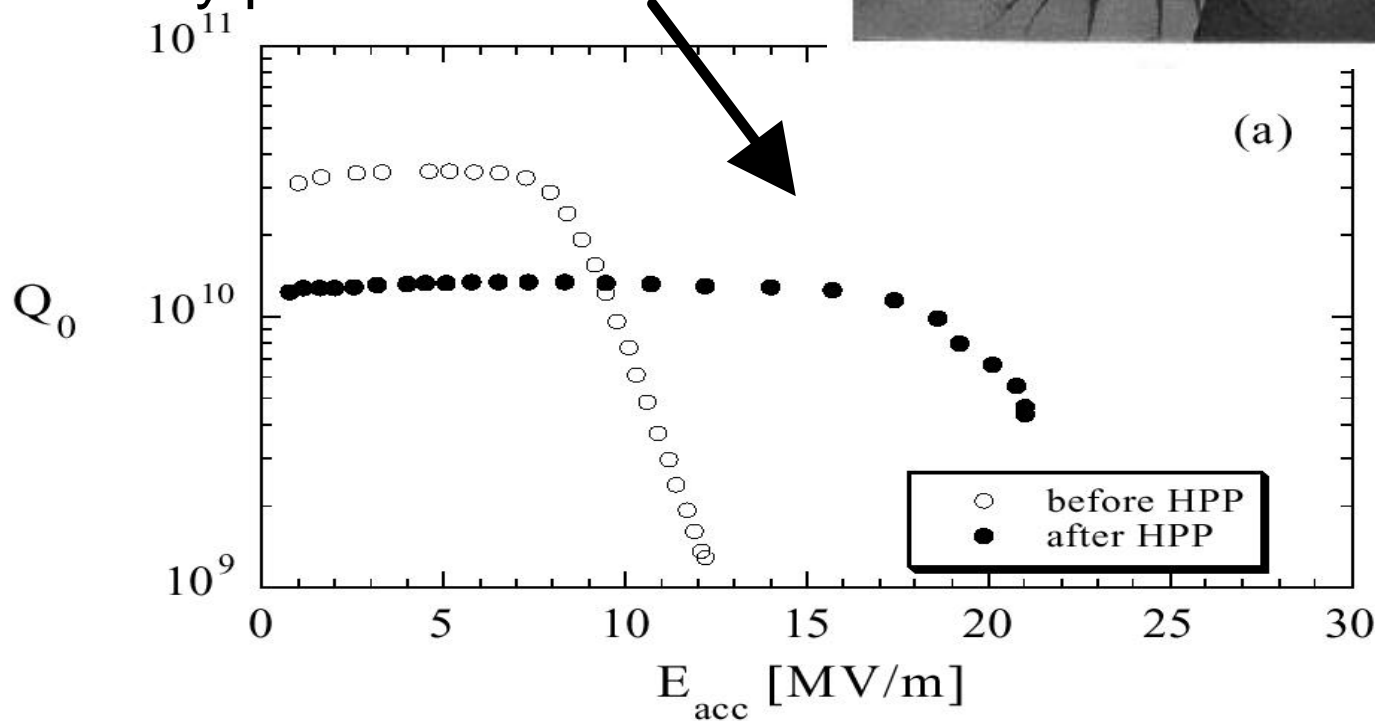
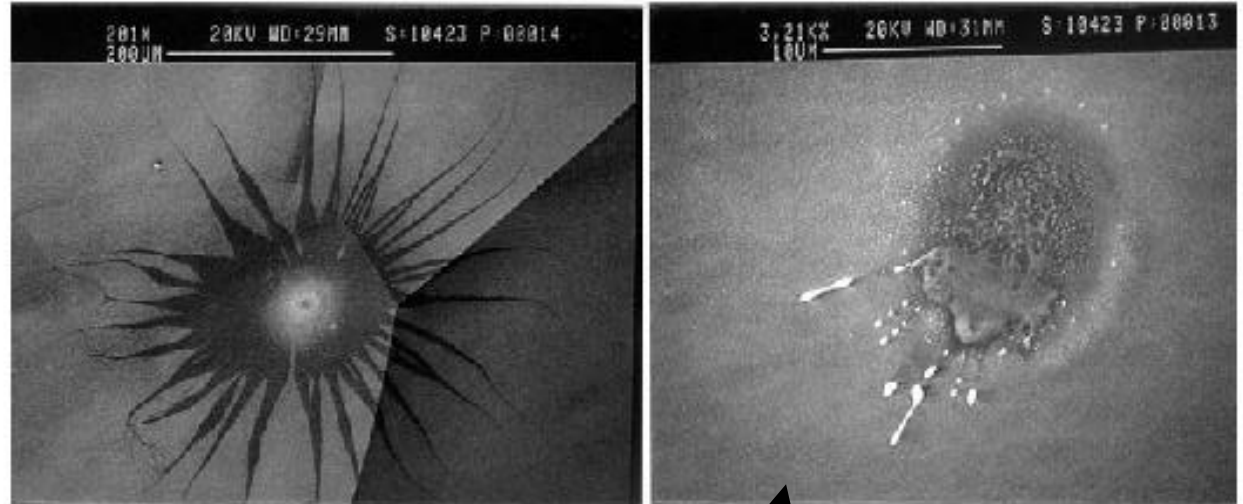


Before HPWR

After HPWR

# High Power Conditioning

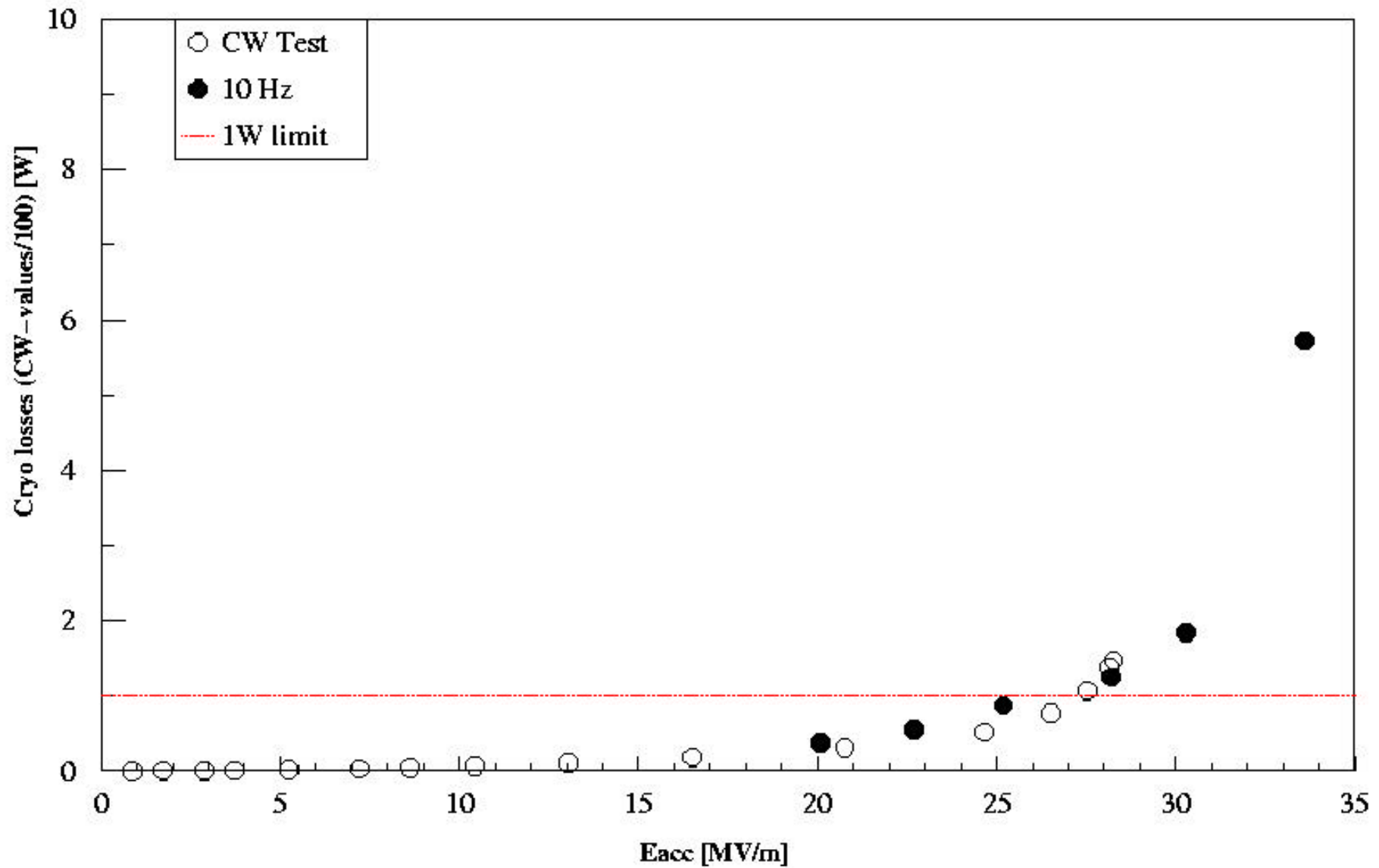
In some cases applying high RF power to the cavity can cause the destruction of field emitters and improve the cavity performance



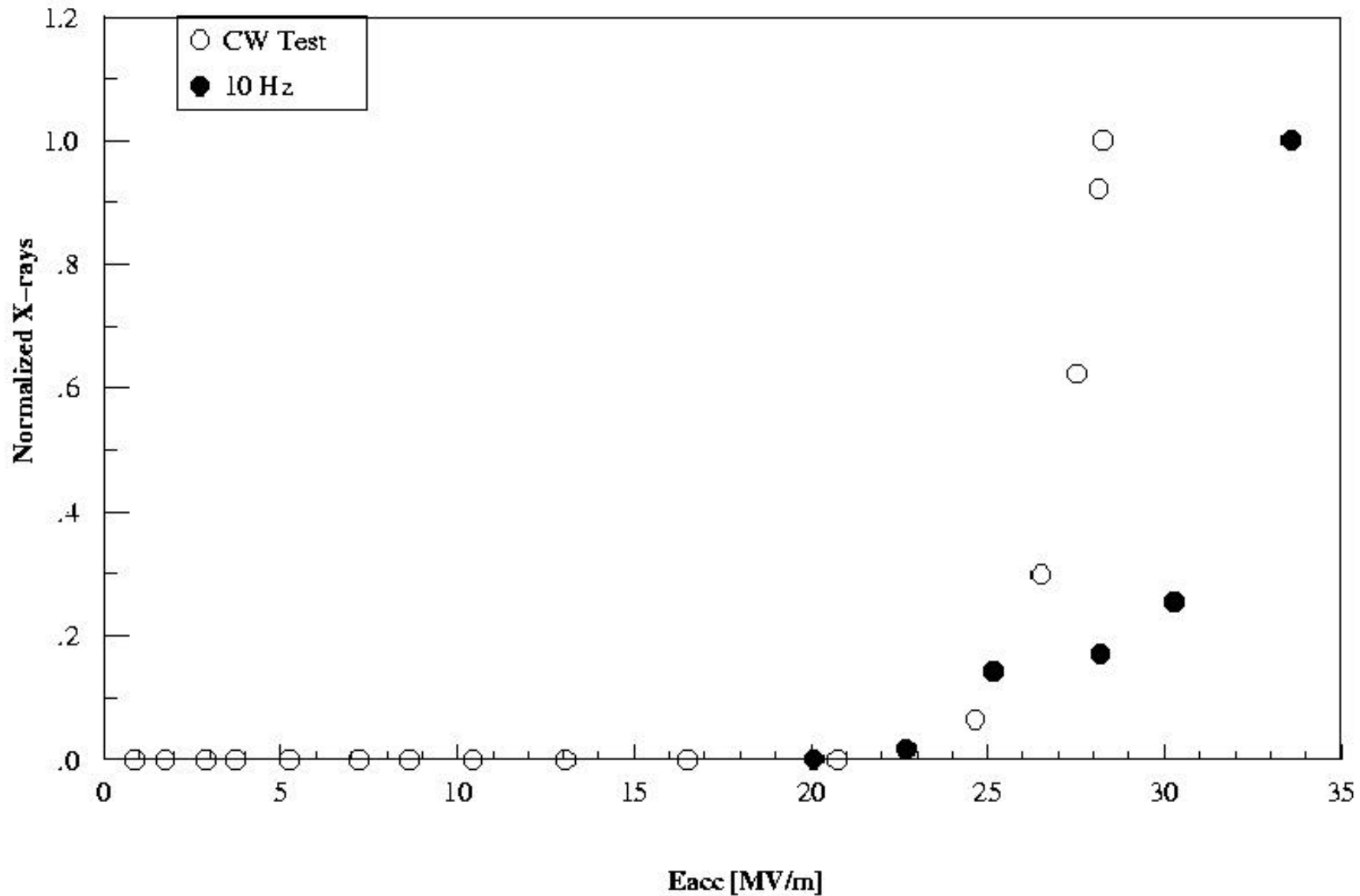
SEM pictures of molten particle after application of high RF power

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# Module 4 Cavity



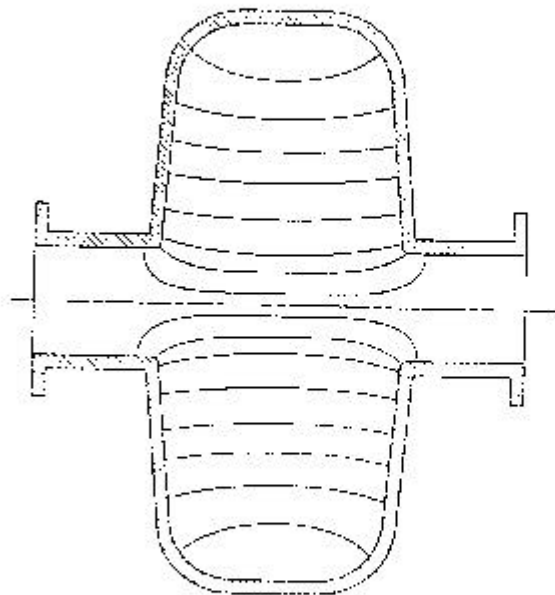
# Module 4 Cavity X-rays



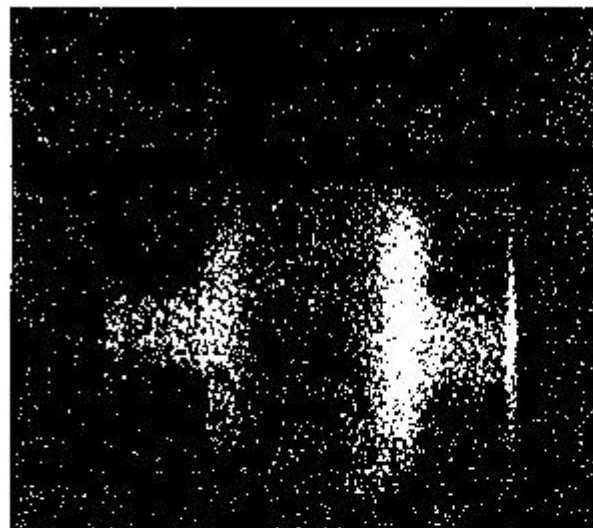
# Multipacting

- ‘Multiple Impacting’
- Electrons
  - Are omnipresent in cavities (from field emitters for example)
  - Are accelerated in the RF field
  - hit the surface
  - can free other electrons, depending on the secondary electron emission coefficient
- If in resonance (same place, same RF field phase), they produce an avalanche.

## S-Band TM010 Resonator Stanford, late 1960-ies

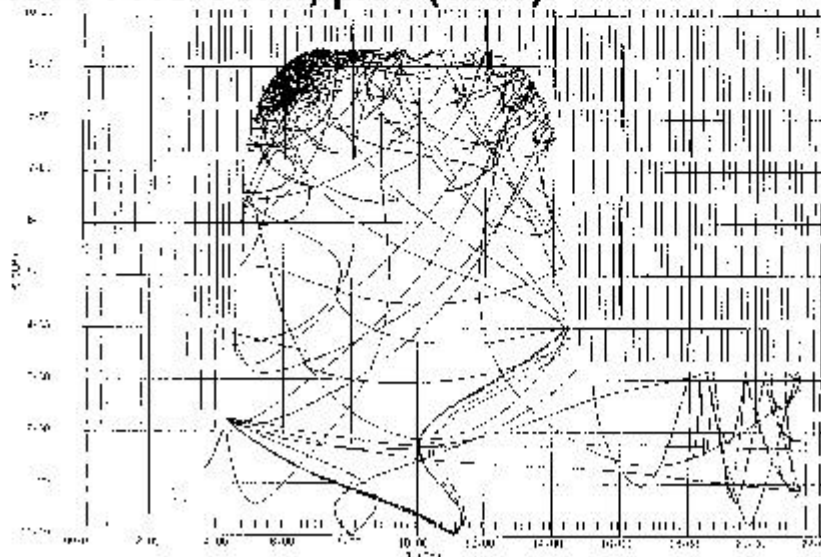


this is the **standard geometry**  
**for about 15 years**;  
unfortunately the cylindrical  
geometry is favourable for  
**electron multipacting**



X-ray mapping

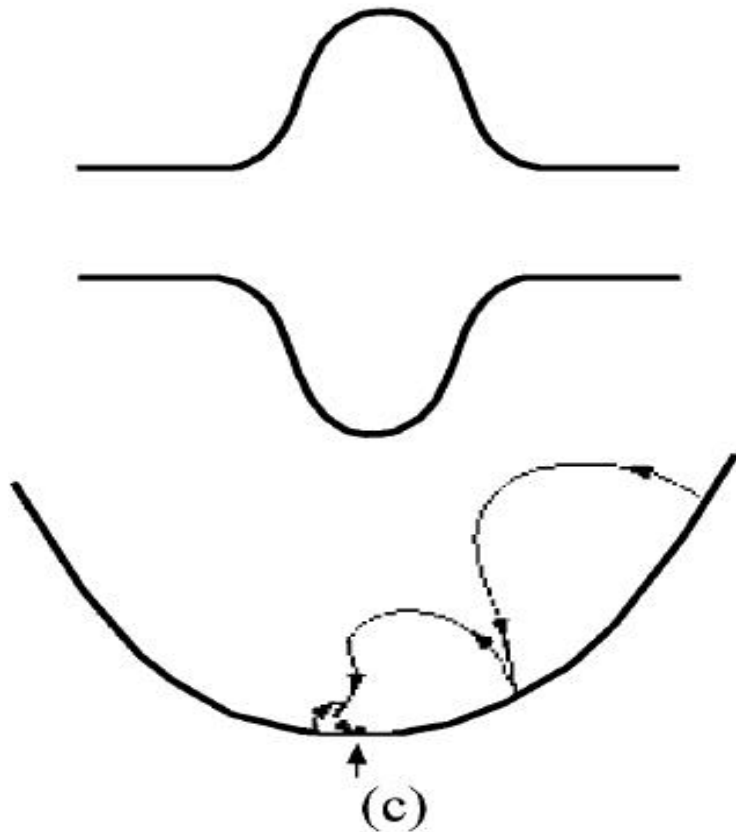
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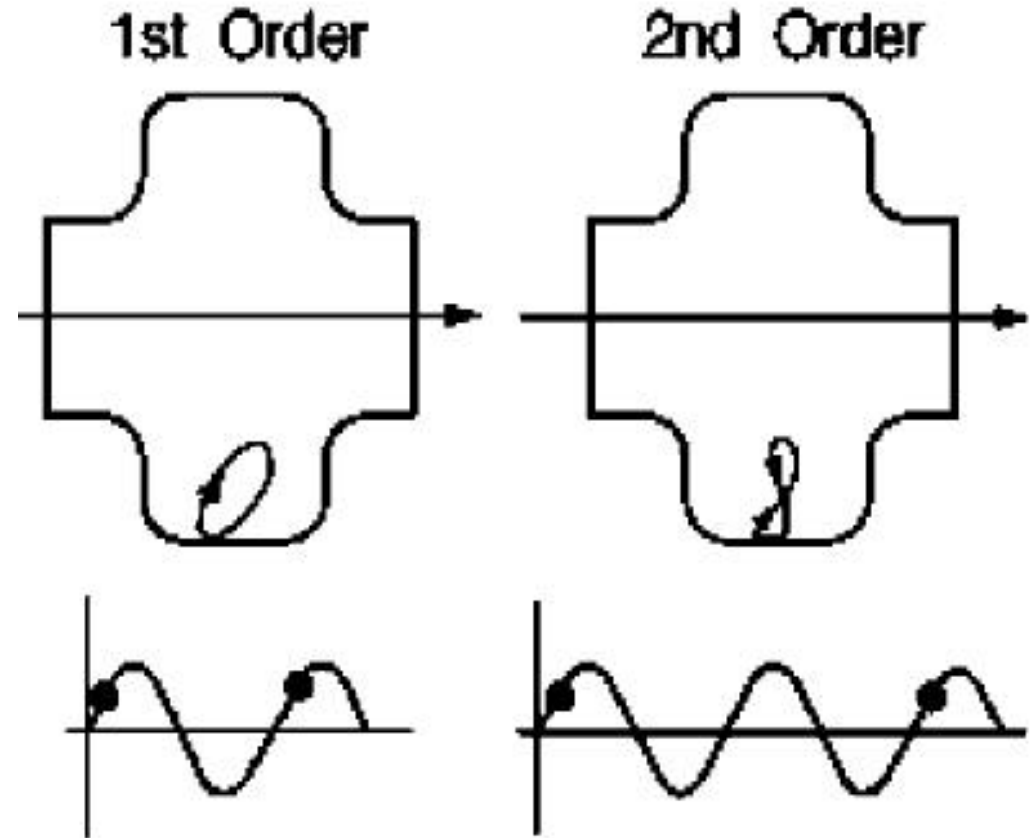
Simulated  
electron  
trajectories

# Multipacting in superconducting cavities

In a cavity with a nearly pill-box-like shape, **electrons can multiply** in the region shown.



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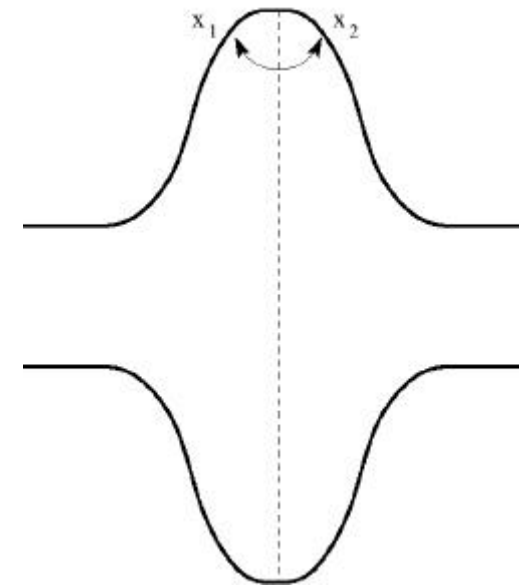
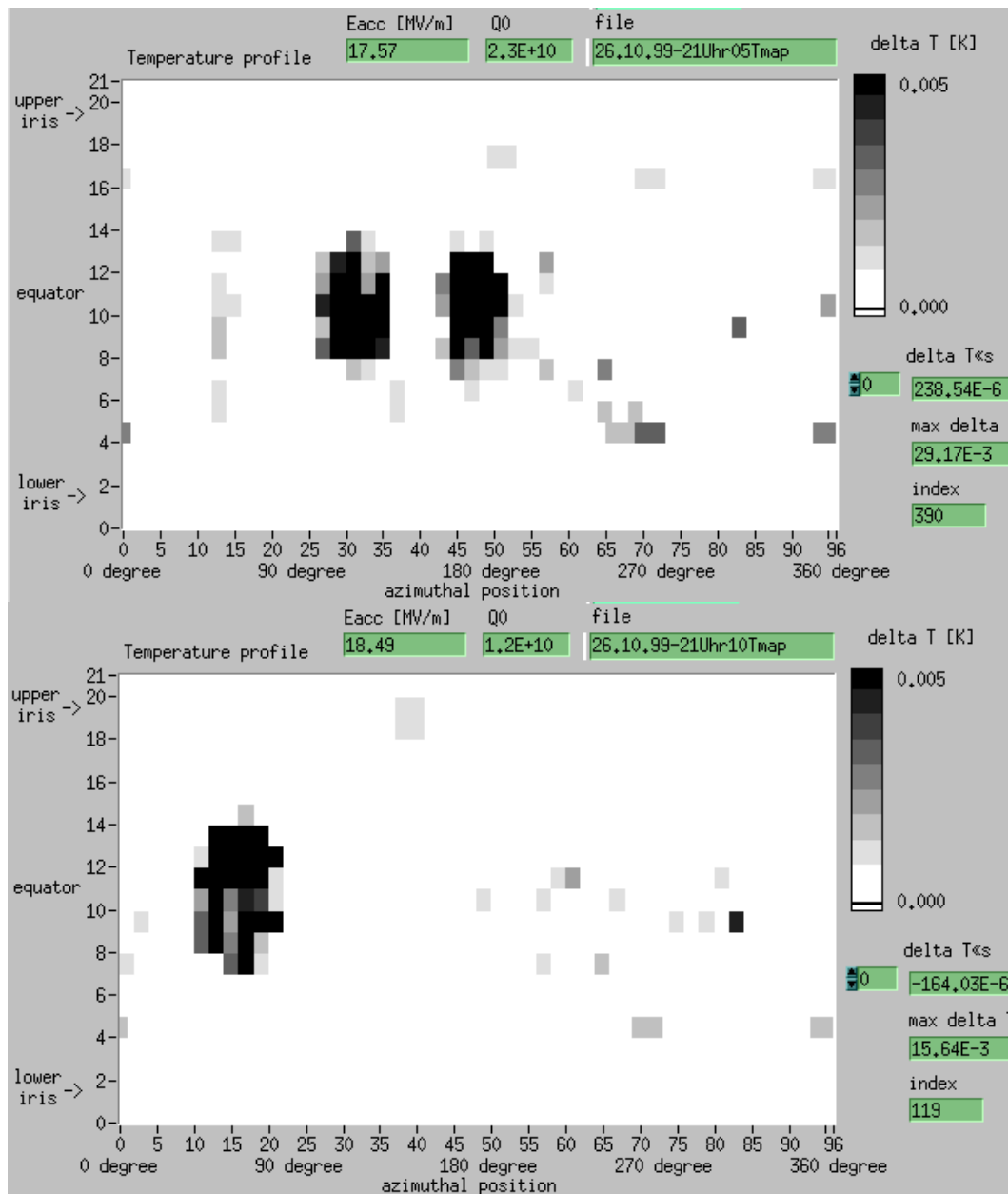
When the **cavity shape is rounded**, the electrons drift to the zero-field region at the equator. Here the **electric field is so low** that the secondary **cannot gain enough energy** to regenerate.

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## Multipacting: Temperature mapping

- Heating moves along the equator
- X-ray detectors and electron pickups are also showing activity
- Processing takes a few minutes

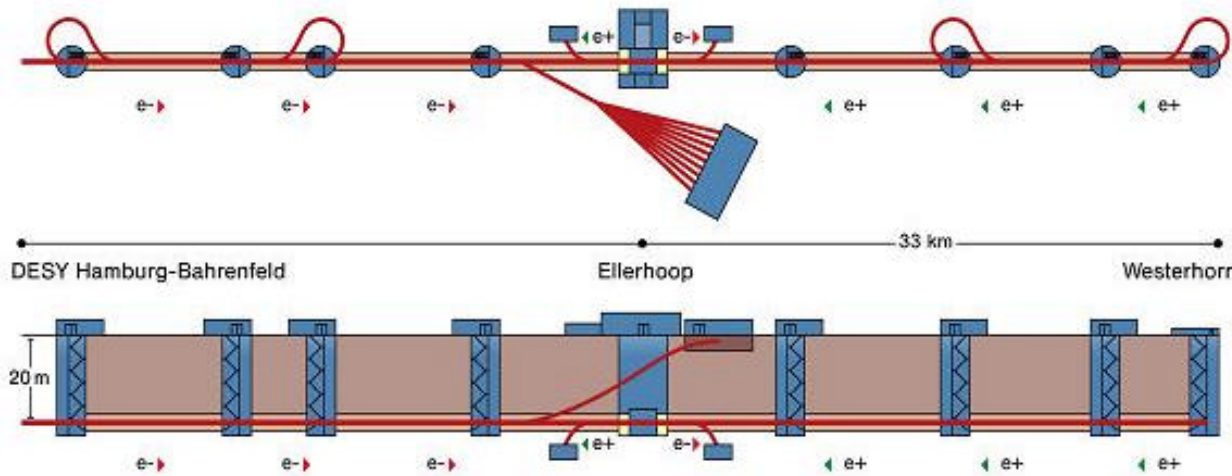
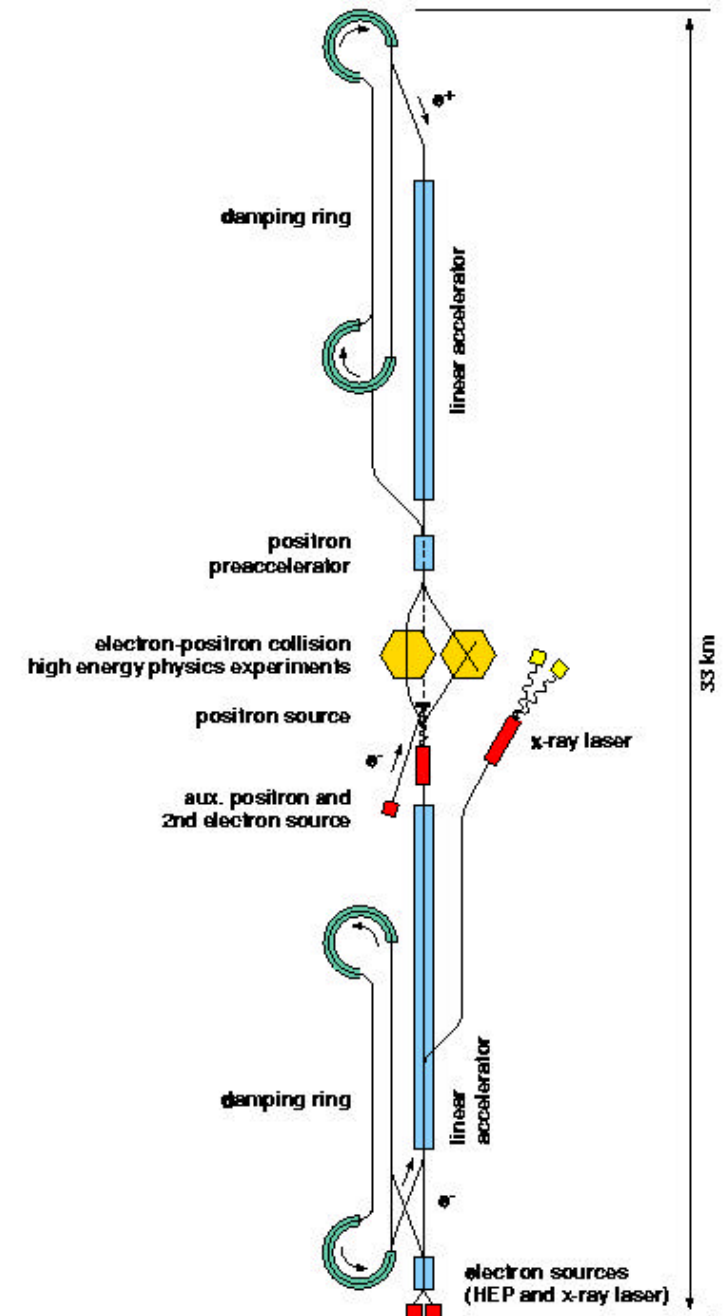
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  - Design of SRF cavities
  - Manufacturing issues
  - Surface preparation
  - Current state-of-the-art cavity performance
  - Higher gradients for TESLA-800
    - Electropolishing
    - ‘Superstructure’
  - Operating SRF cavities
    - Cryostats
    - RF Couplers
    - Low-level RF control



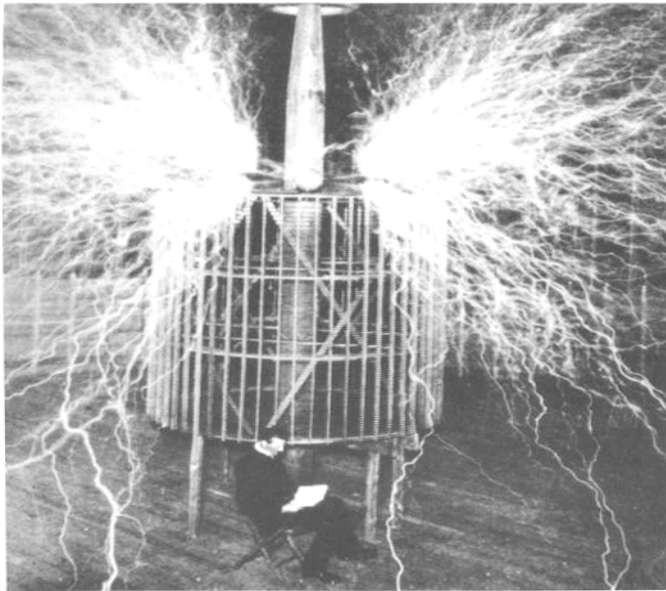


# Layout of TESLA

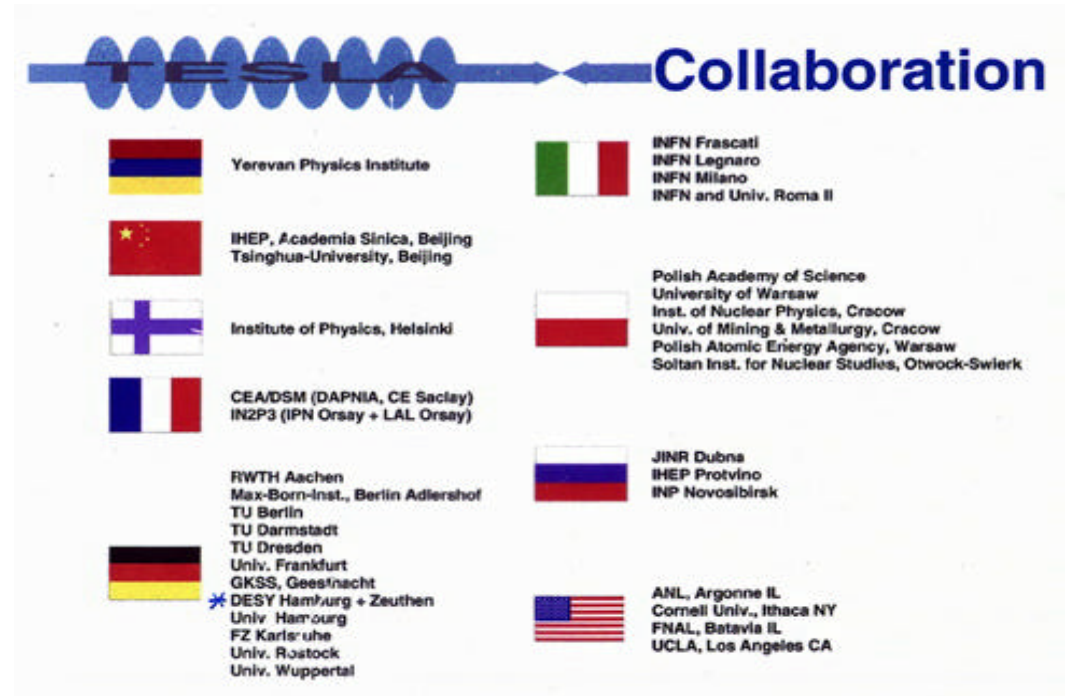


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Tesla, the scientist



PROCEEDINGS OF **1990**  
The First International  
TESLA Workshop

CORNELL



Held at Cornell University  
July 23-26, 1990

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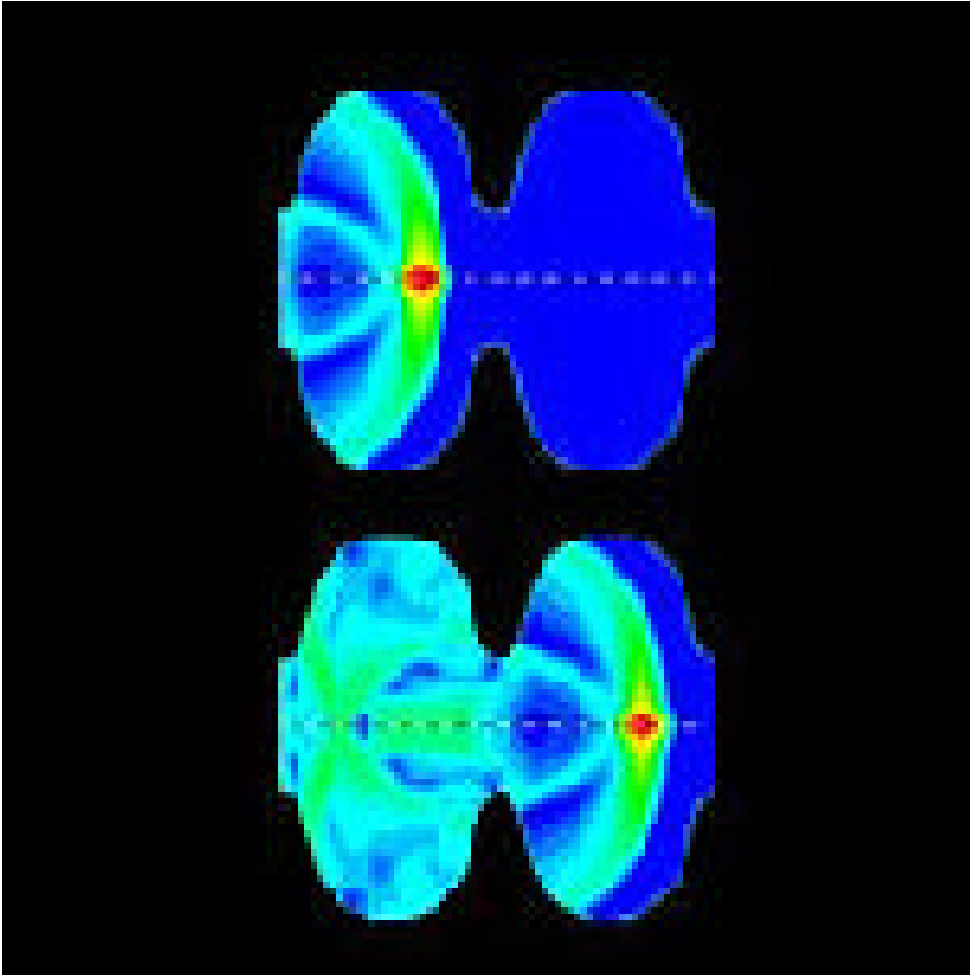
**Main Advantages of TESLA**

- SC Cavity => Fill slowly  
    **Drastic Reduction of Peak RF Power**
- SC => Low Frequency Affordable =>  
    **Drastically Lower Wake fields**
- Flexible beam parameters to  
    high luminosity



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# Wakefields

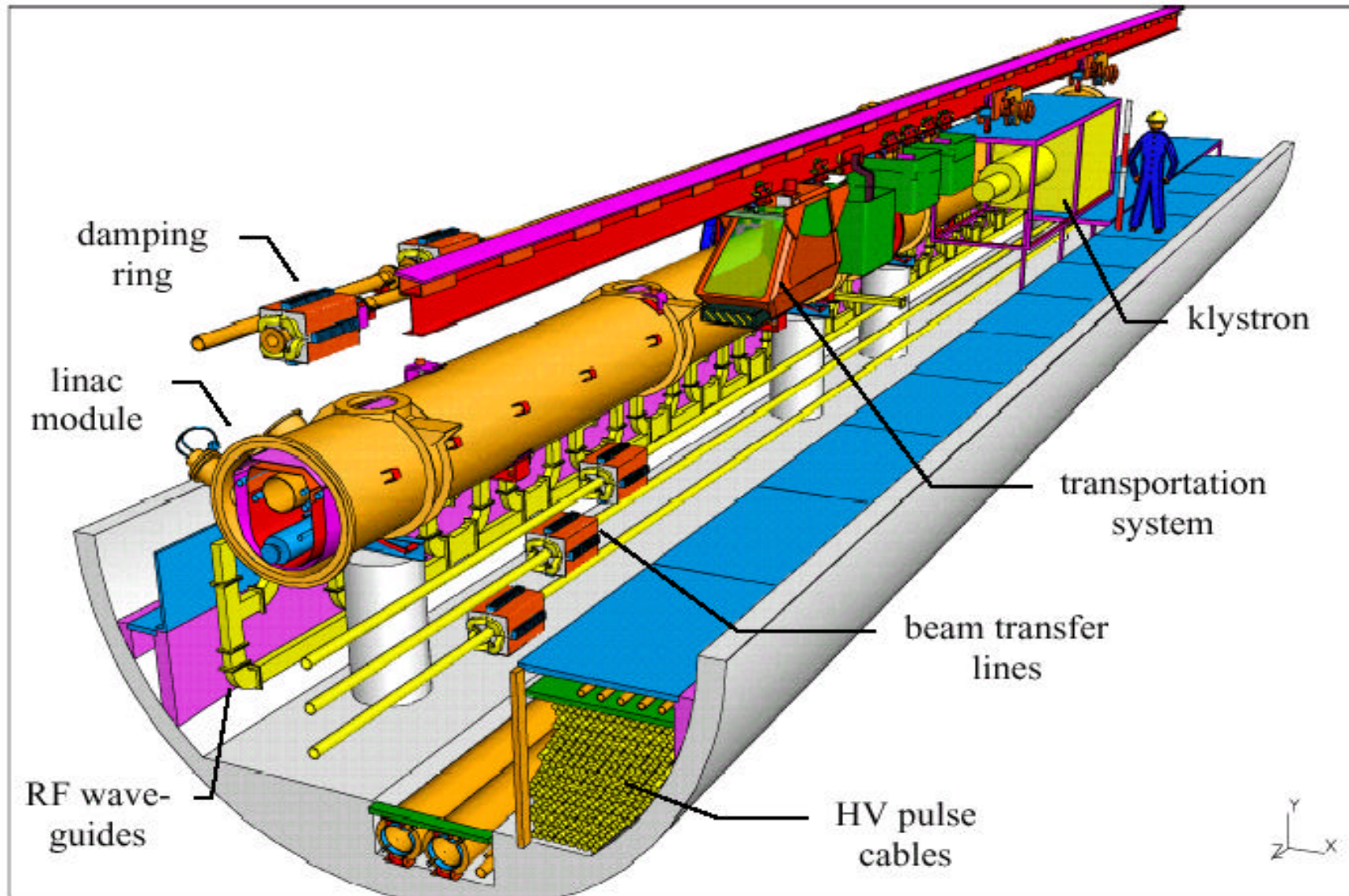


$$W_z \sim a^{-2} \sim \omega^2$$

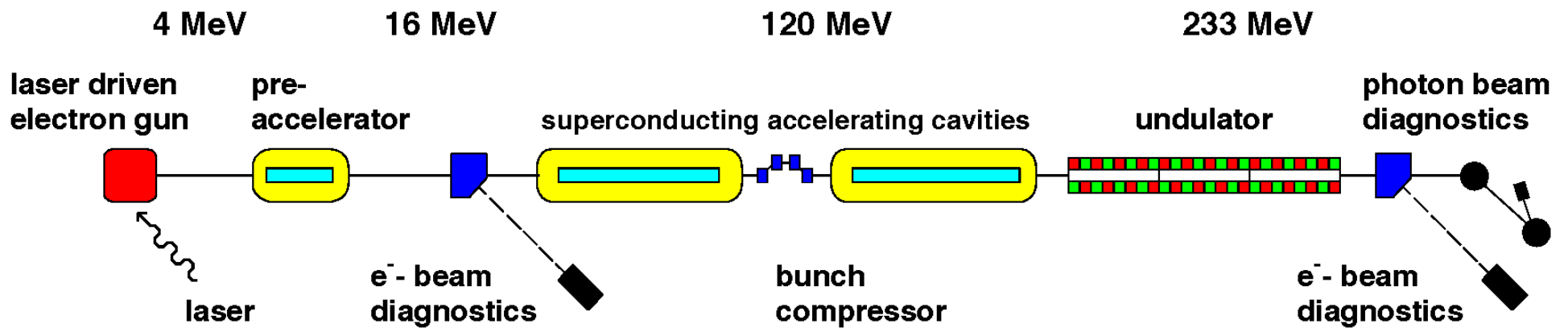
$$W_{\perp} \sim a^{-3} \sim \omega^3$$

$a$  = Iris diameter

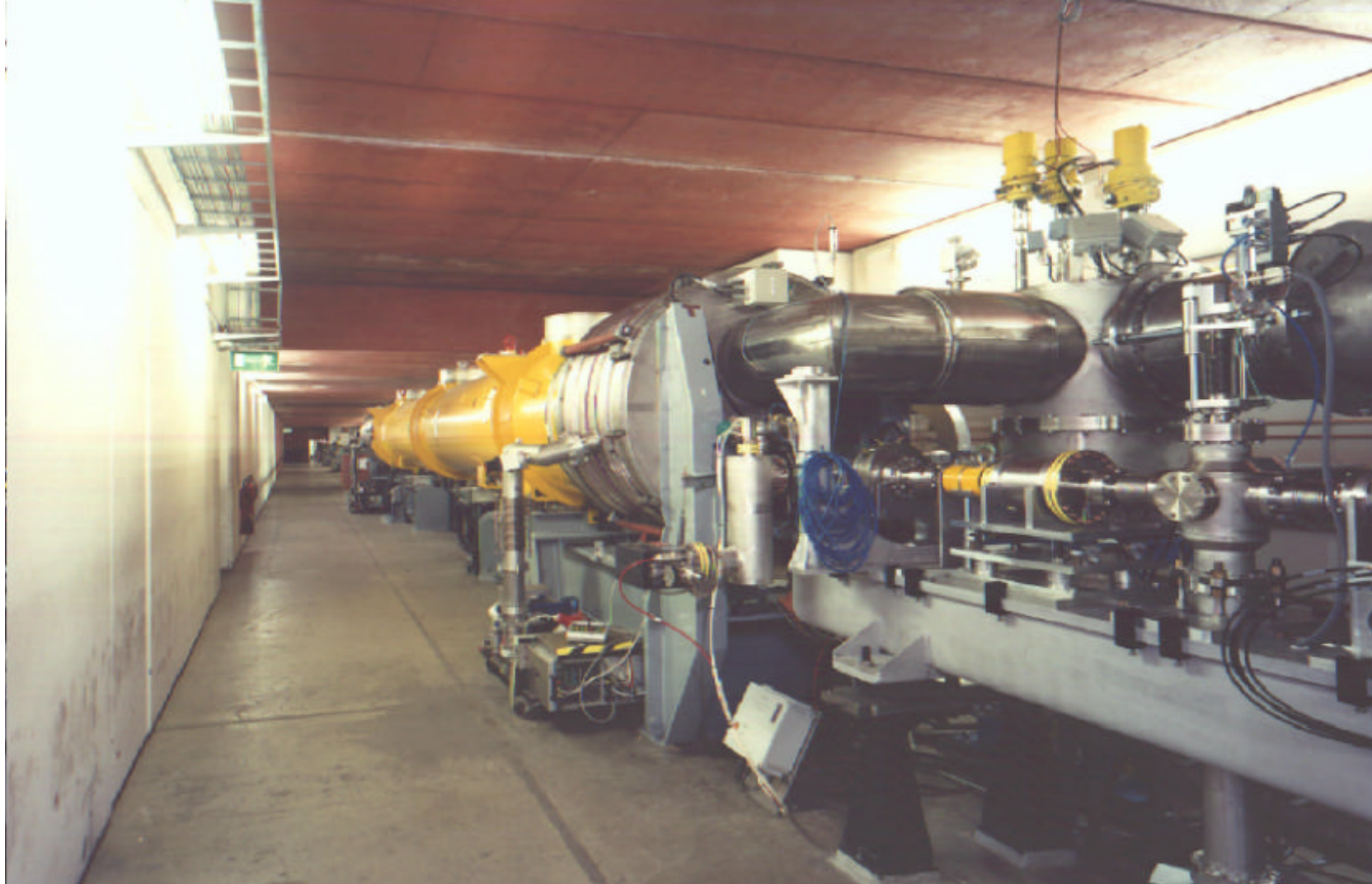
# View of the TESLA Tunnel



# TESLA Test Facility Linac

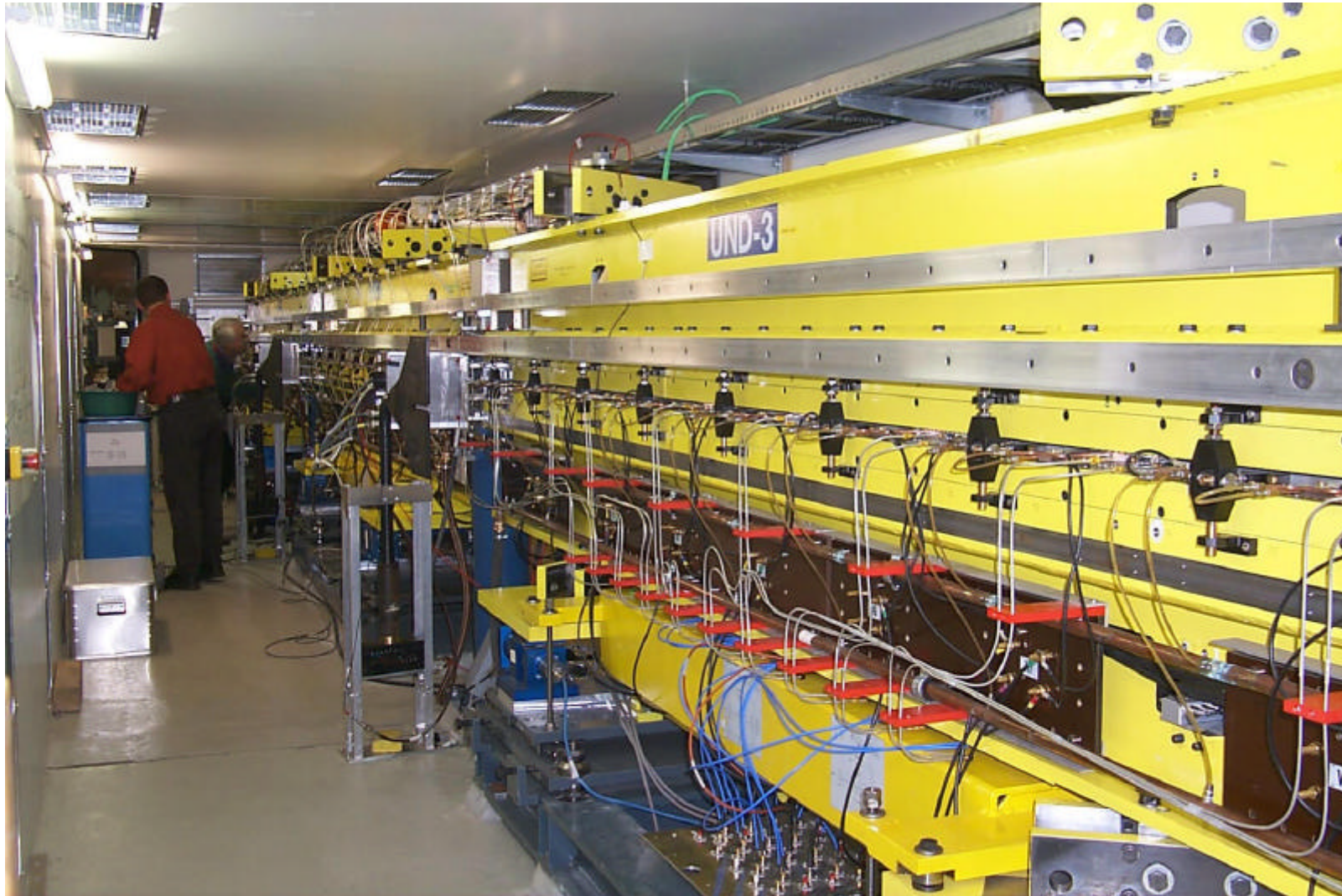


# TESLA Test Facility Linac





# SASE FEL bei TTF - Undulator



# TESLA Cavities



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# Goals for TESLA cavities

Specifications:

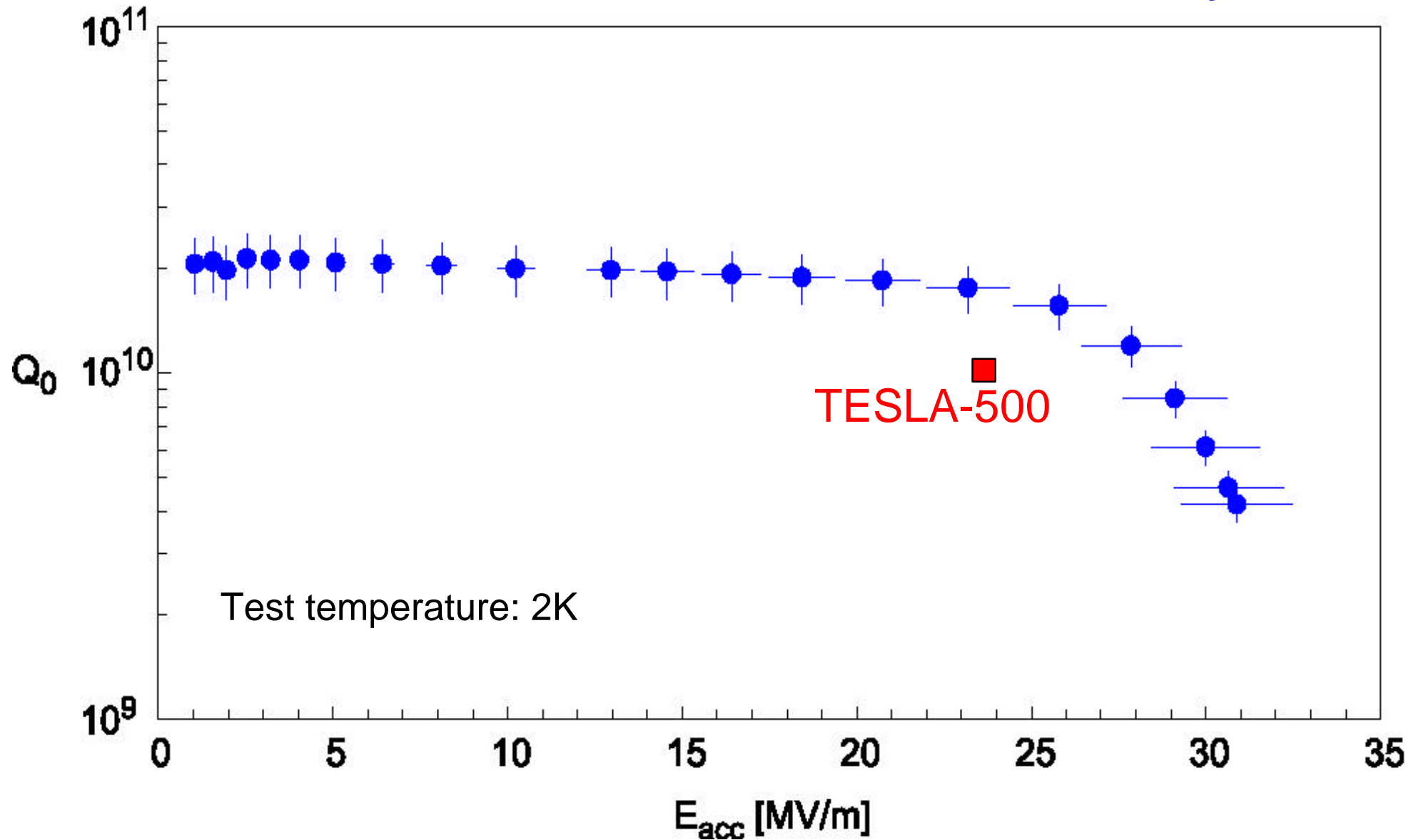
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Theoretical limit:  $E_{\text{acc}} \sim 45\text{-}50 \text{ MV/m}$

RF magnetic field exceeds critical field of niobium

# Continuous wave test of TESLA cavity



TESLA-500



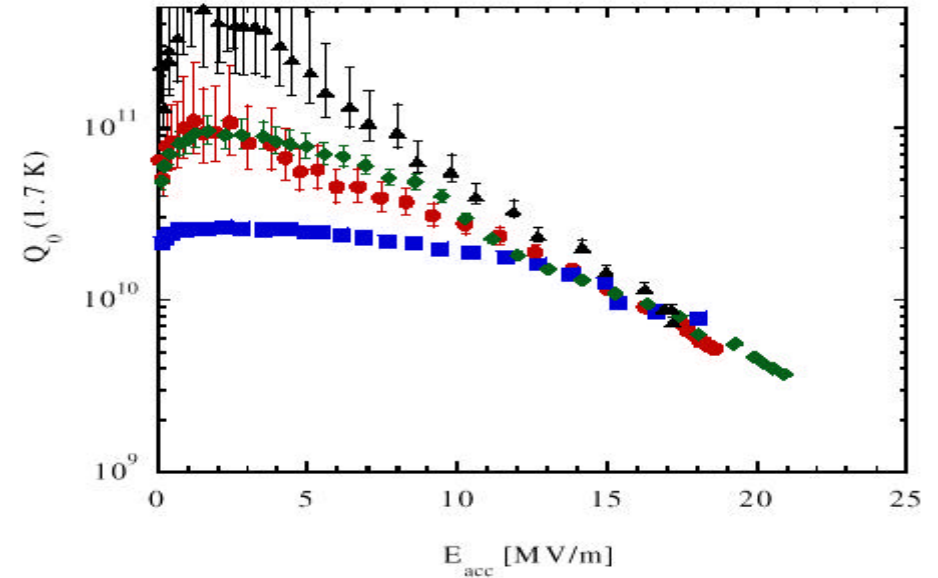
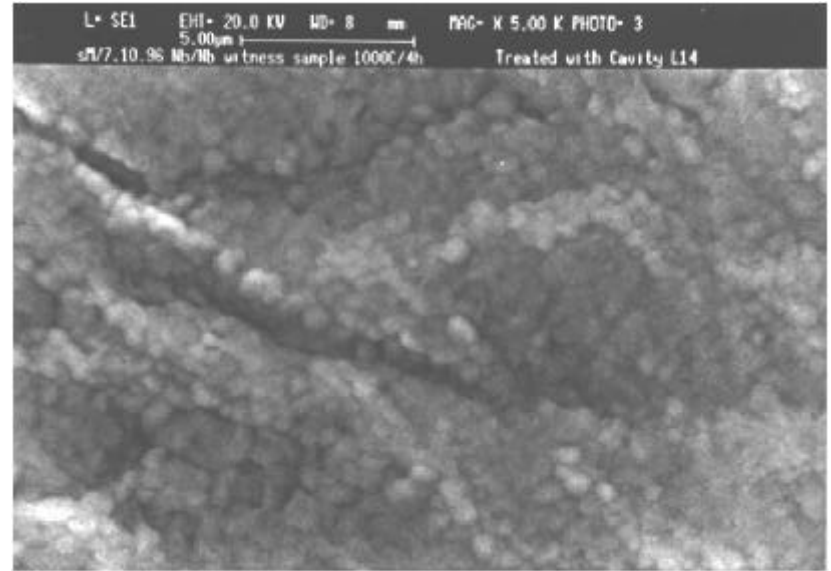
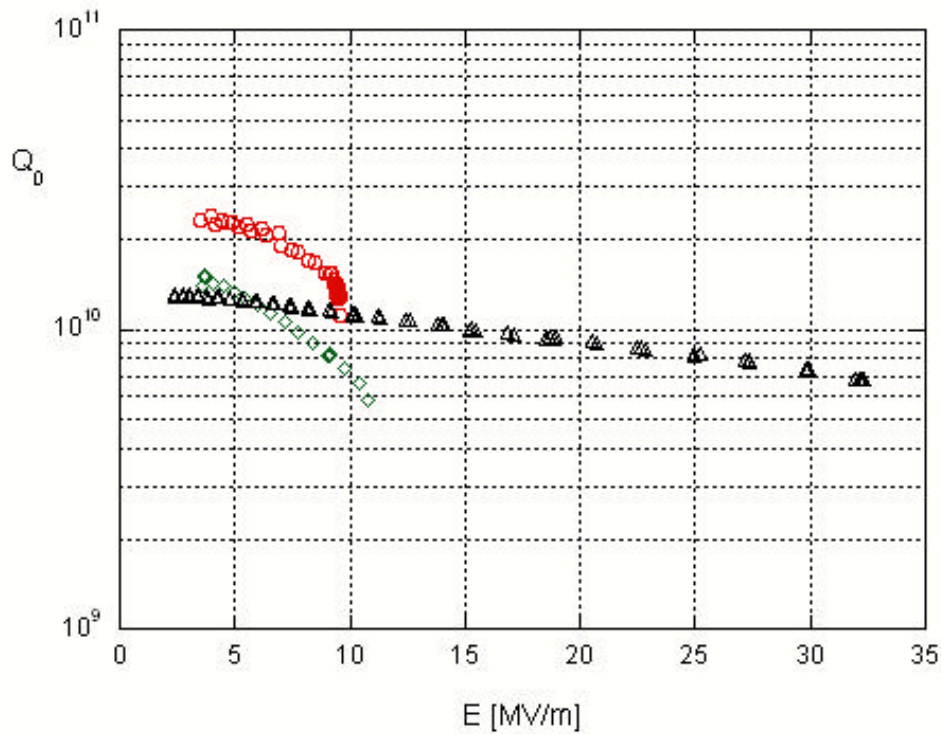
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# Gesputterte Niobfilme

- 1st coating (1B4.6a) @ 1.67 K
- ◇ 2nd coating (1B4.7a) @ 1.67 K
- △ Nb bulk (1B4.5) @ 1.67 K



Niob auf Niob (Benvenuti et al.)

Niob auf Kupfer  
(Benvenuti et al.)

# Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn

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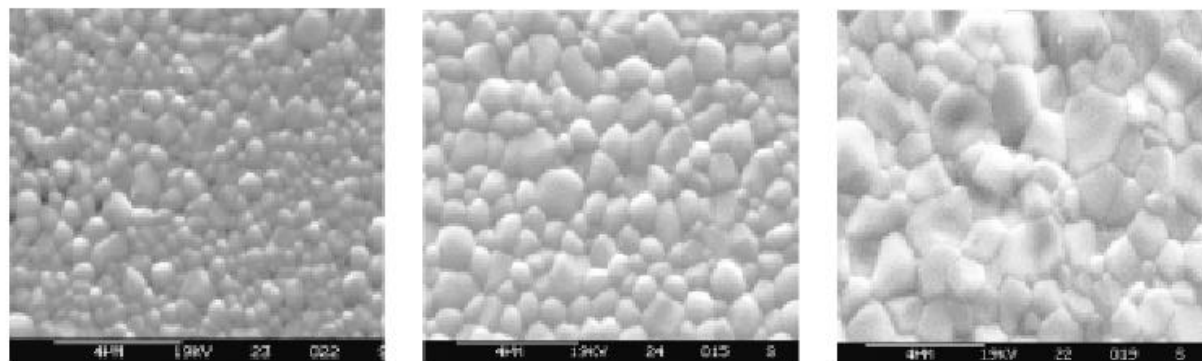
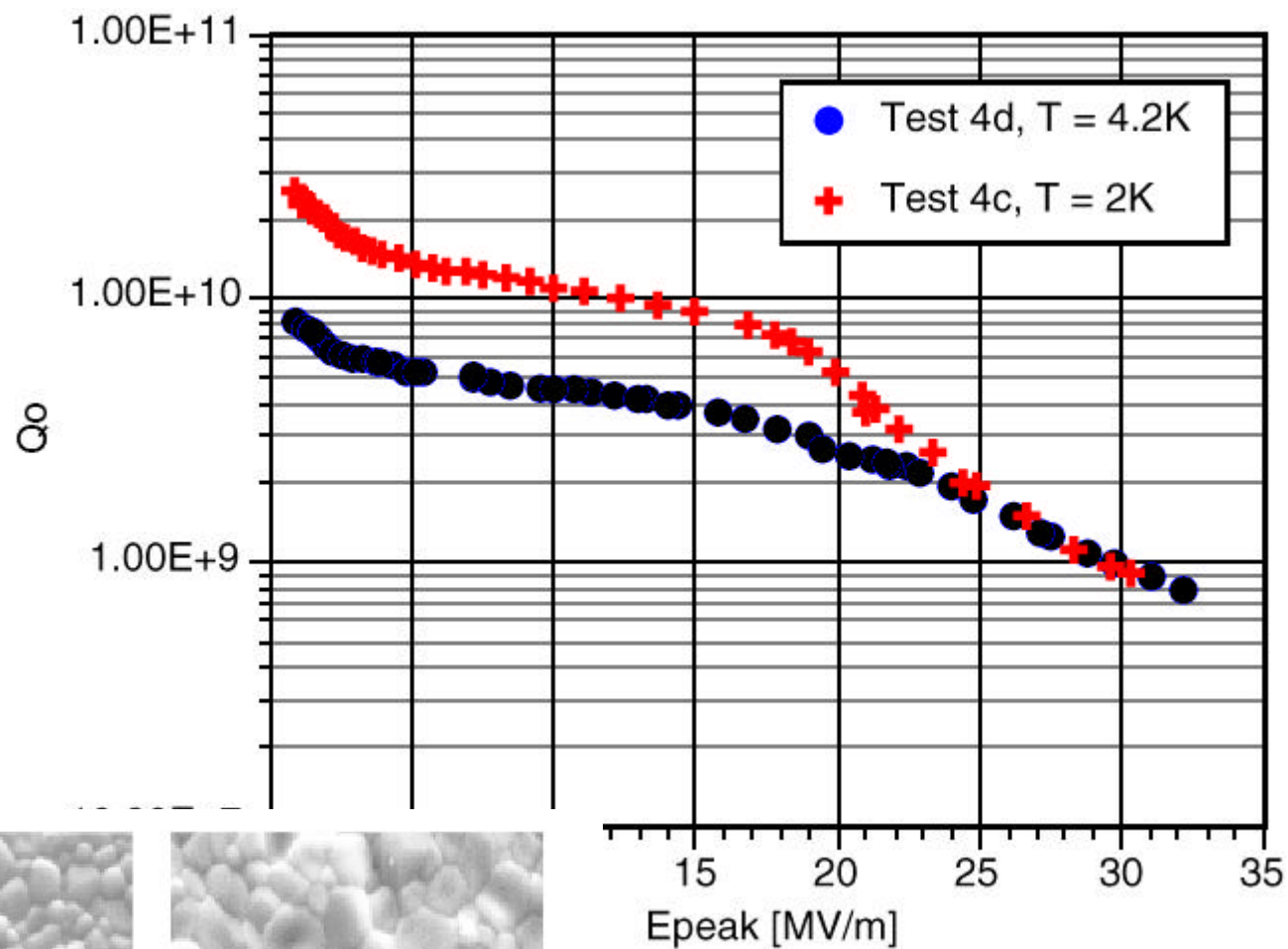
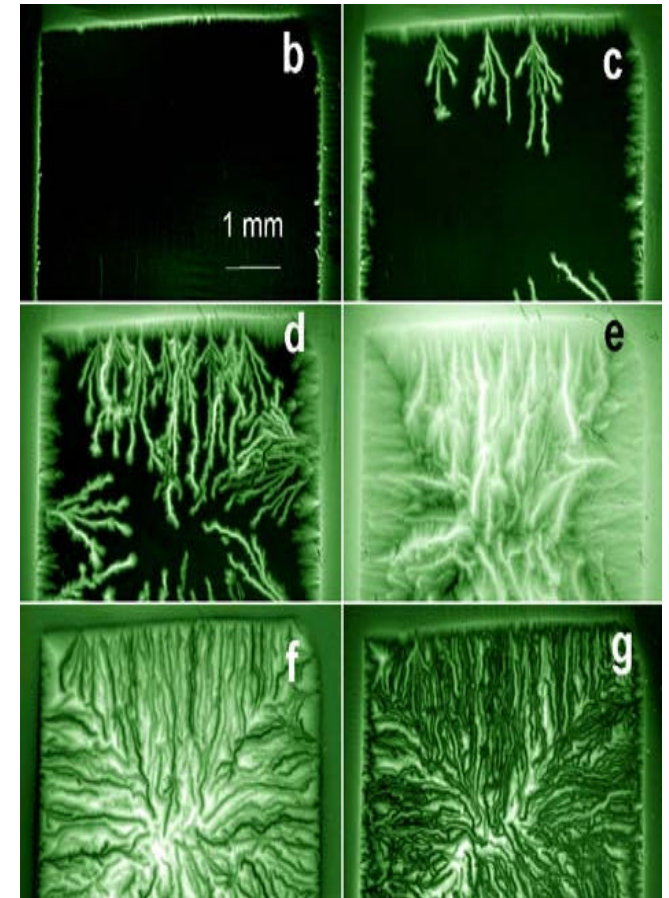
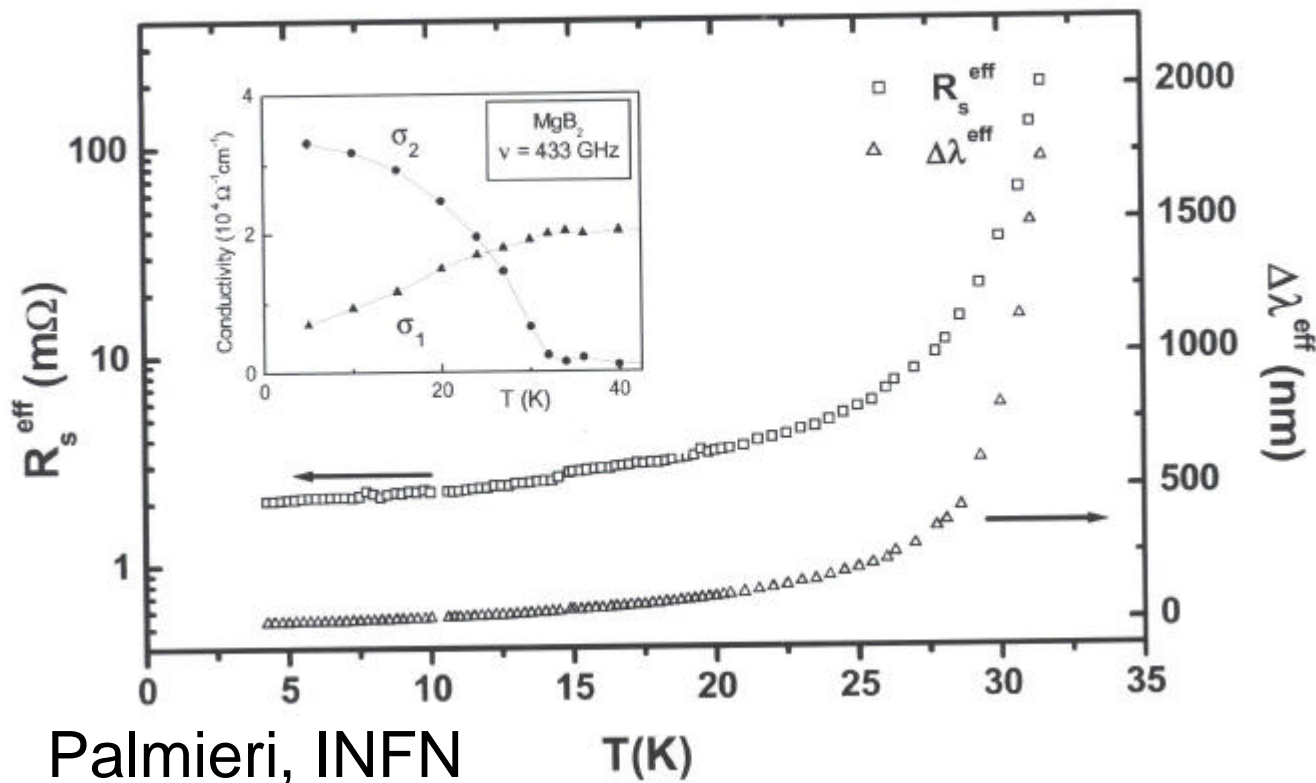


Fig. 1:  
SEM pictures of three Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn films:  $d_{film} = 0.6\mu m$  (left),  $1.2\mu m$  (middle),  $2.1\mu m$  (right).

# Magnesiumdiborid: $\text{MgB}_2$

## Thin films

Fig. 1 (top) and Fig. 2 (bottom)

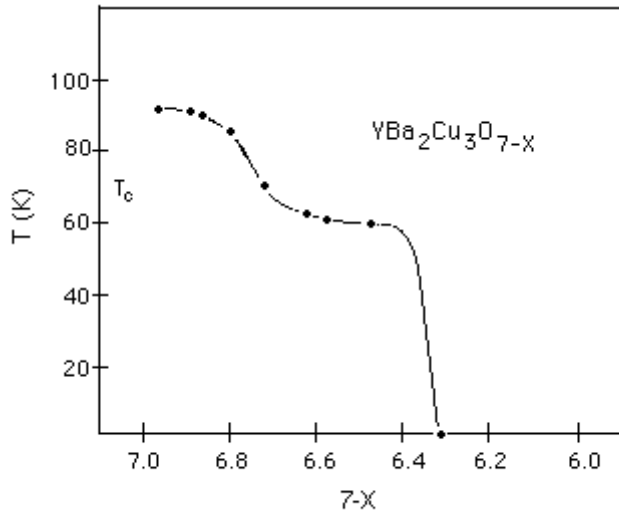
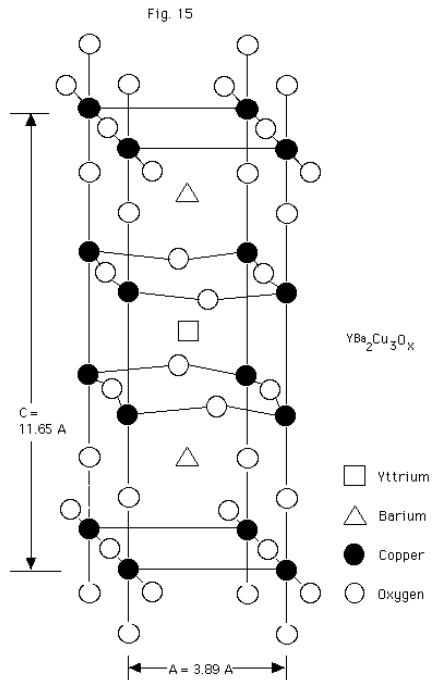


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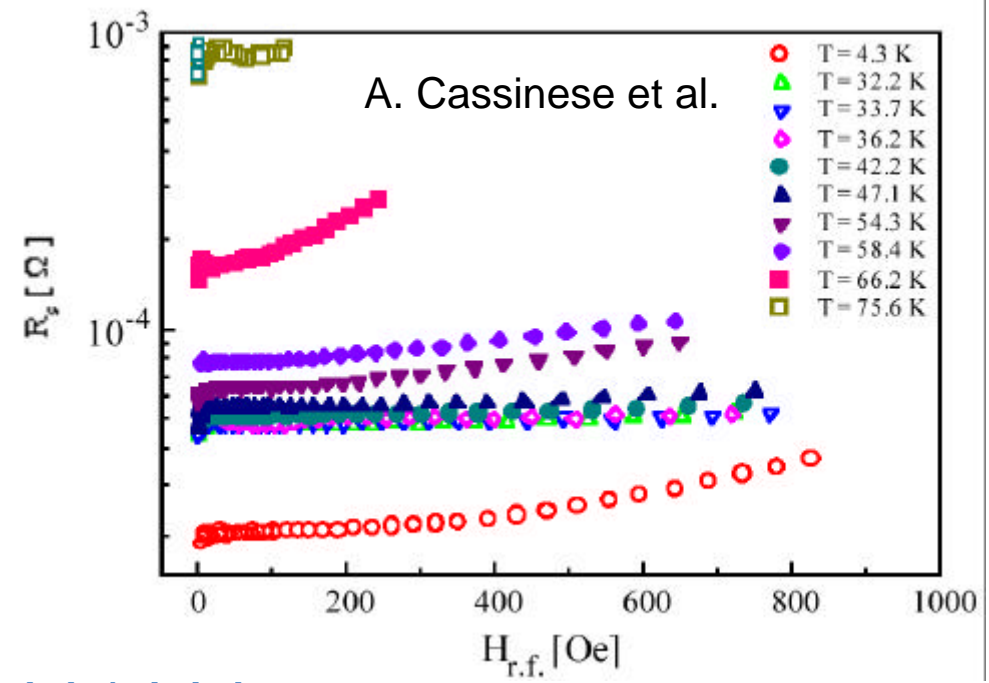


# YBCO

## Thin films



$T_c$  as a function of oxygen content in  $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-x}$   
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# Specification of the niobium sheet material for the TESLA cavities

Impurity content in ppm (wt)			
Ta	$\leq 500$	H	$\leq 2$
W	$\leq 70$	N	$\leq 10$
Ti	$\leq 50$	O	$\leq 10$
Fe	$\leq 30$	C	$\leq 10$
Mo	$\leq 50$		
Ni	$\leq 30$		

**Tantalum** is most important substitutional impurity.

**Oxygen and hydrogen** are the most important interstitials.

Mechanical Properties	
Residual resistivity ratio <i>RRR</i>	$\geq 300$
grain size	$\approx 50 \mu\text{m}$
yield strength	$> 50 \text{ MPa}$
tensile strength	$> 100 \text{ MPa}$
elongation at break	30 %
Vickers hardness HV 10	$\leq 50$

The niobium **grain size** is very important to have **good forming properties**.

# Quality control of Nb for cavities

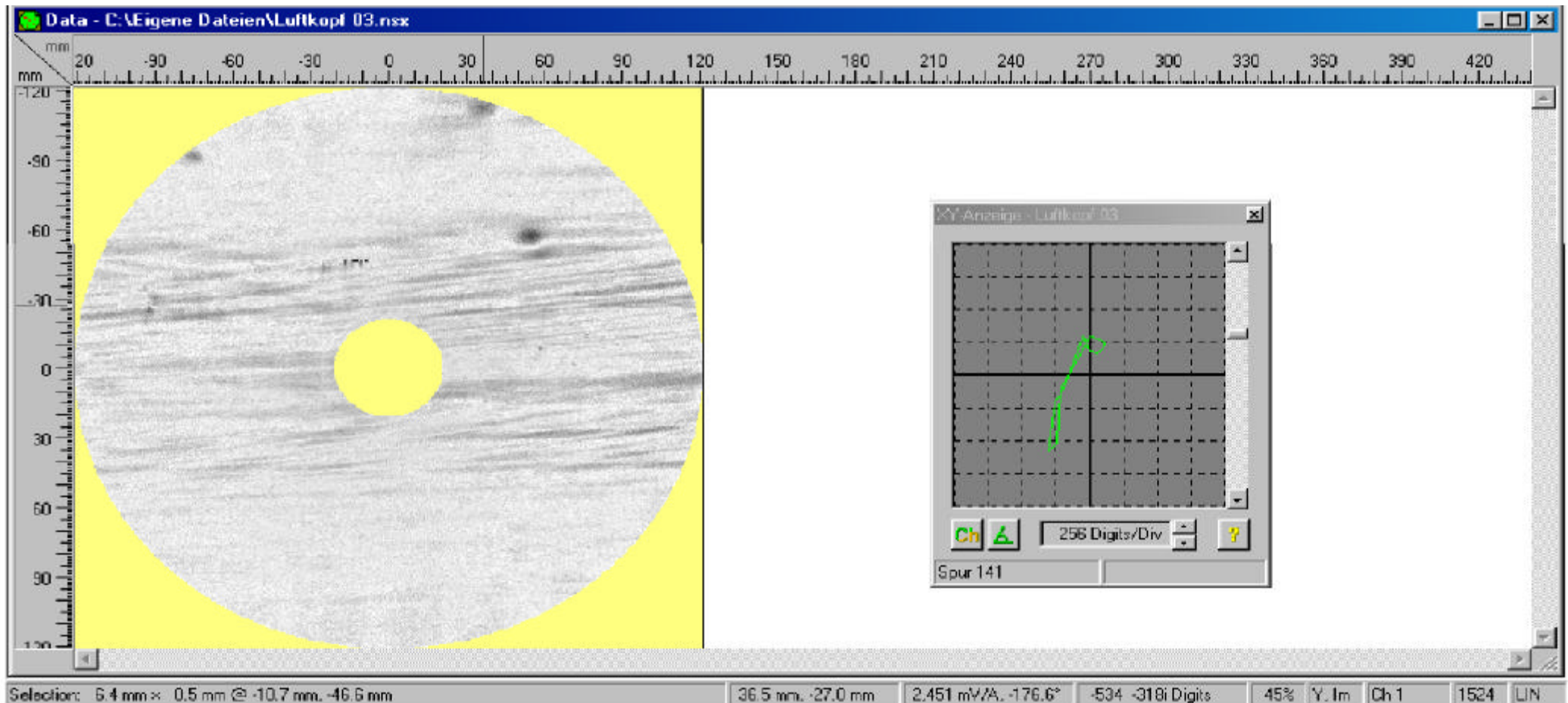
- **Eddy current** scanning of all sheets
  - measures change of electric resistance
  - 0.5mm depth, 40  $\mu\text{m}$  defect dia. sensitivity
  - rejection rate of sheets about 5 %
- **SQUID scanning** under development
- Some **special investigations** on demand
  - x-ray radiography (defect visualization)
  - x-ray fluorescence (defect element determination)
  - neutron activation (Ta distribution)



## Eddy current scanner for Niobium sheets

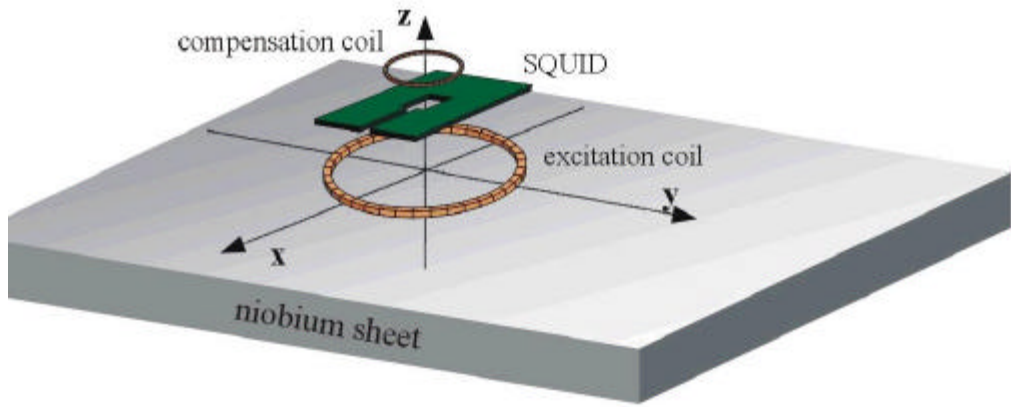
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# Result of eddy current scanning a Nb disc, dia. 265 mm



Global view, rolling marks  
and defect areas can be seen

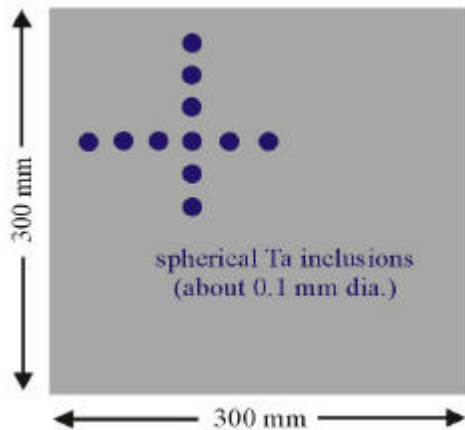
Real and imaginary part  
of conductivity at defect,  
typical Fe signal



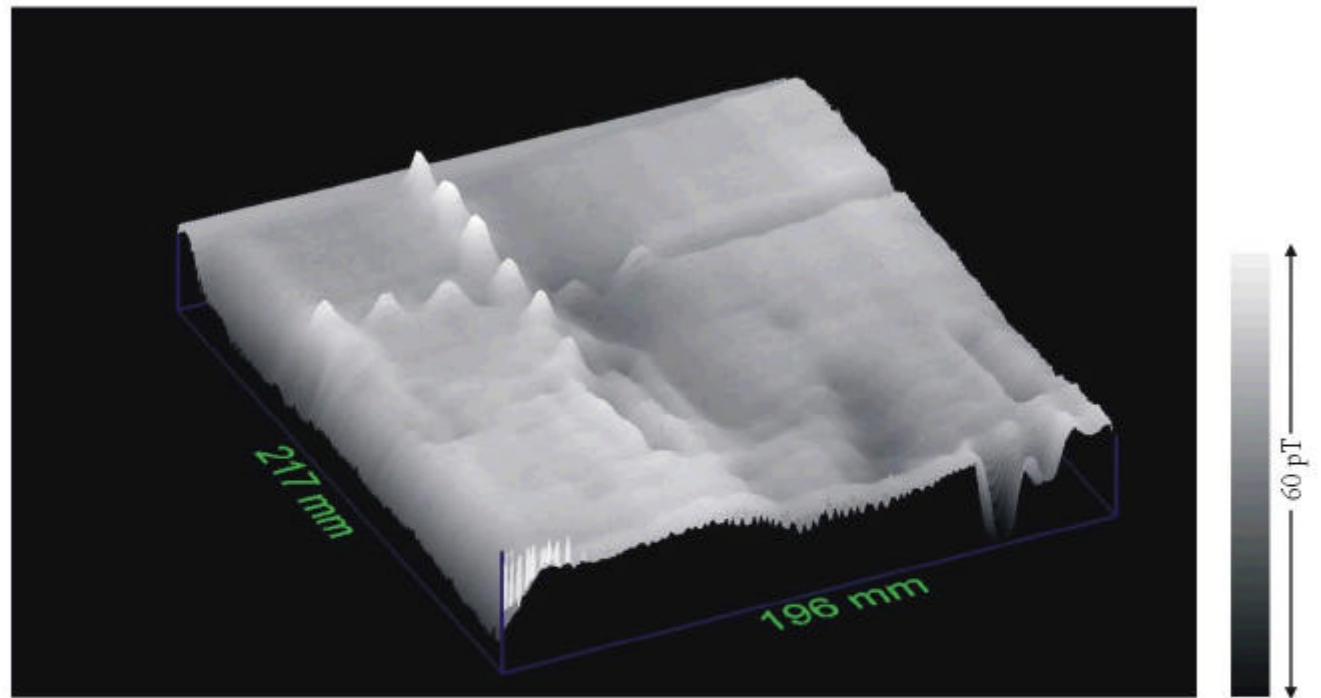
## Principal arrangement of SQUID scanning

### Measured response from the back side of the sheet

### Nb test sheet with .1mm Ta inclusions

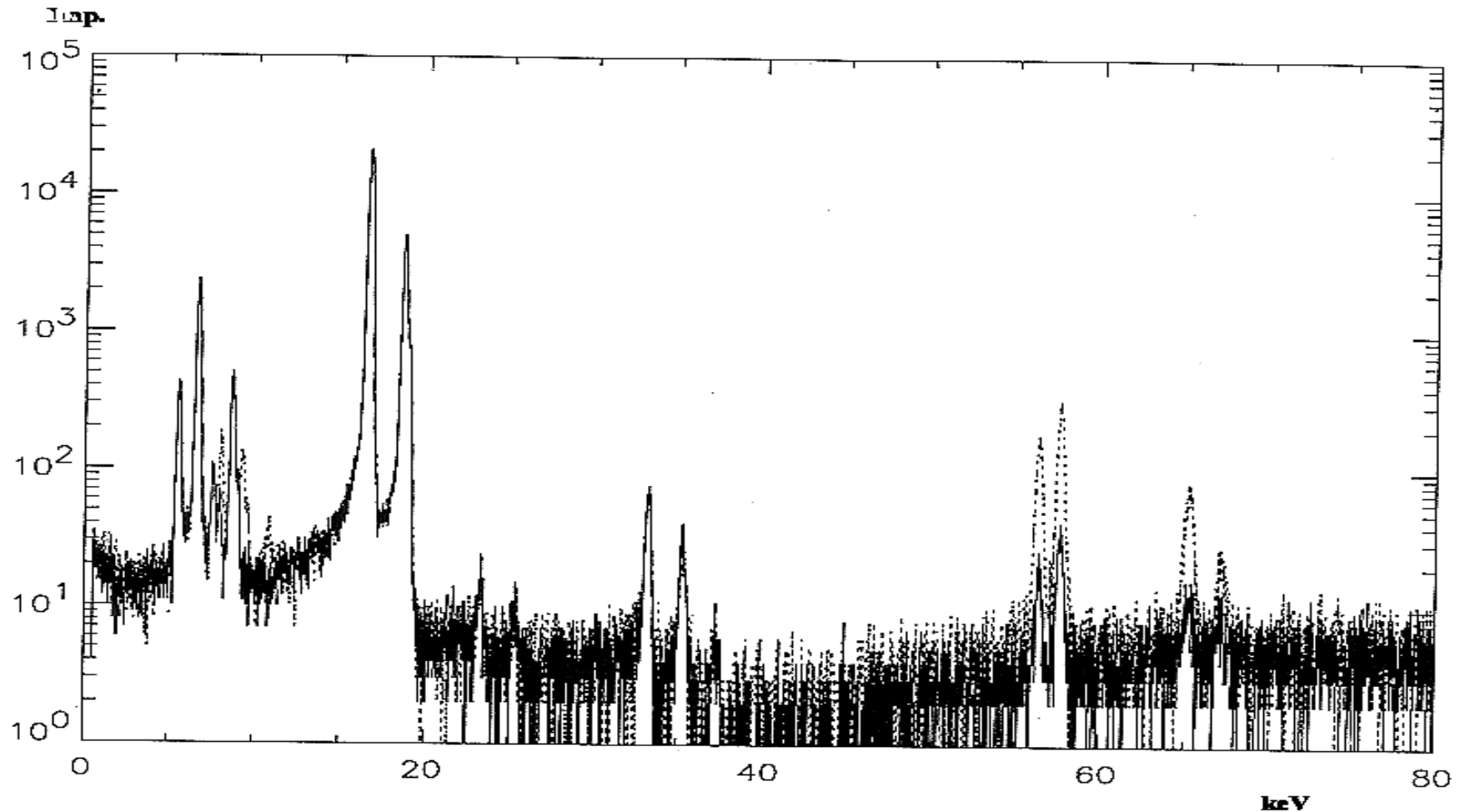


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Two-dimensional distribution of eddy-current field above the niobium test sample, measured from the back side of the sample. The excitation coil had 30 turns and a diameter of 3 mm; the excitation frequency was 10 kHz. The reference phase of the lock-in amplifier was chosen such that the lift-off effect was minimized.

## Analyzing the same defect by synchrotron radiation fluorescence.



Full line is spectrum of Nb next to the defect,  
dotted line is K-line of Ta at the defect region

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# Basis of the TESLA cavities: Where did it all start?

- TESLA cavities are similar in the layout to the successful **CEBAF** cavities, which have shown performance above the specified 5 MV/m
- Proposals for further **improvements** came from several labs:
  - Cornell University
  - CEA Saclay
  - Wuppertal University
  - CERN
  - etc.



CEBAF Cavity Pair Assembly

## CEBAF (Jefferson LAB)

from C. E. Reece, Operating Experience With Superconducting Cavities at Jefferson Lab,  
8th RF Superconductivity Workshop, Padua, Italy, to be published.

- is in full operation
- is delivering beam at 4.4 GeV / 115  $\mu$ A
- is using 330 s.c. cavities operated at 1497 MHz / 2 K
  
- has grouped the cavities in pairs (2 cavities)  
and units (4 pairs)
- operates each cavity with its own 5 kW klystron
- reaches an average usable gradient of 7.5 MV/m  
an accelerating gradient spread of 5 MV/m FWHM  
an average quench limit of 13 MV/m !!!
  
- has a stable and reliable cavity operation
- could support higher energies (5.6 GeV)
  
- is going to increase the usable gradient by in-situ He processing
- is developing an upgrade (J.R. Delayen, this conference)

# Distribution of Maximum Operational SRF Cavity Gradients in CEBAF by Type of Limitation

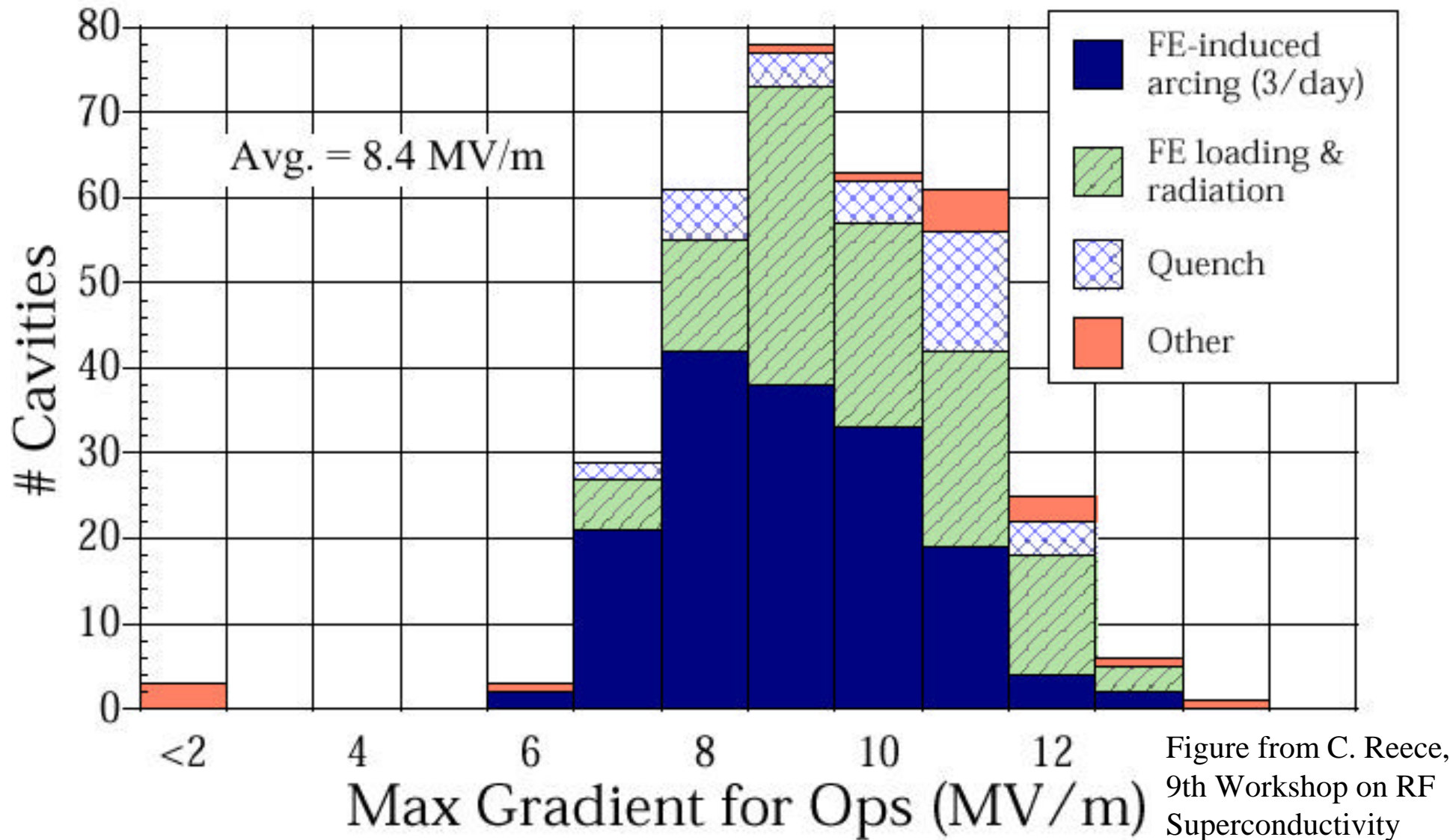
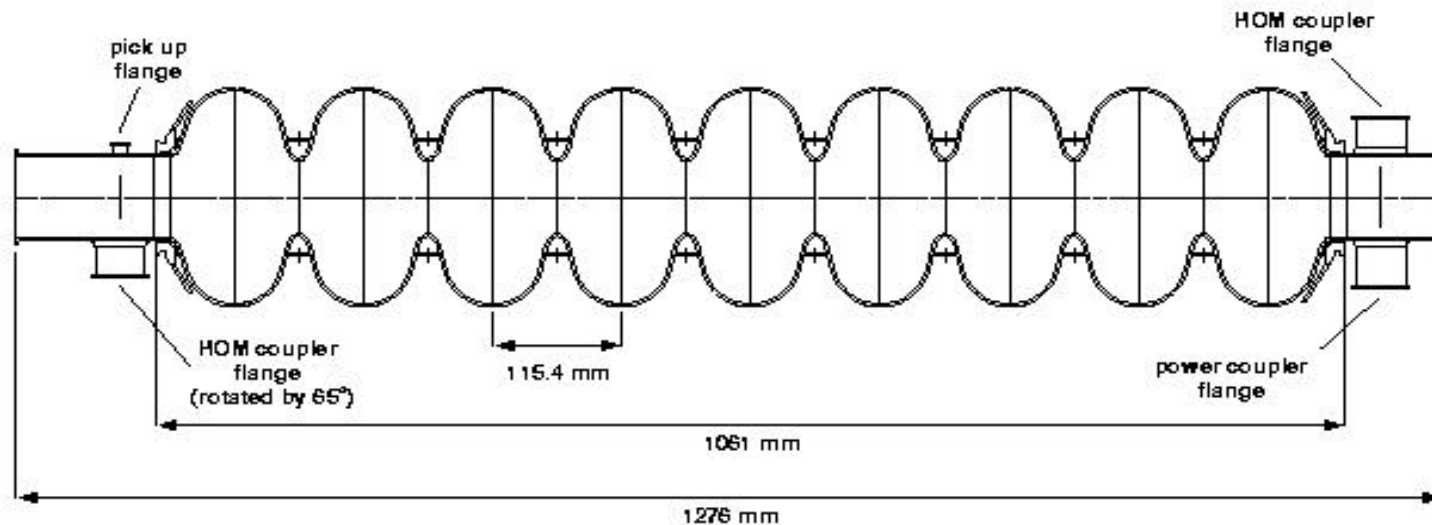


Figure from C. Reece, 9th Workshop on RF Superconductivity



# TESLA cavity (9-cell)



**type of accelerating structure**

**accelerating mode**

**fundamental frequency**

**design gradient  $E_{acc}$  (TTF)**

**design gradient  $E_{acc}$  (TESLA)**

**unloaded quality factor  $Q_0$  (TTF)**

**unloaded quality factor  $Q_0$  (TESLA)**

**shunt Impedance  $R / Q$**

**$E_{peak} / E_{acc}$**

**$B_{peak} / E_{acc}$**

**cavity bandwidth at  $Q_0 = 3 \times 10^6$**

**standing wave**

**TM0  $\pi$  mode**

**1300 MHz**

**15 MV/m**

**25 MV/m**

**$> 3 \times 10^9$**

**$> 5 \times 10^9$**

**1036  $\Omega$**

**2.0**

**4.26 mT / (MV/m)**

**430 Hz**

HW 02/0007

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# Production and preparation of TESLA cavities

- Niobium sheets (RRR=300) are subjected to eddy-current scanning to avoid foreign material inclusions like tantalum and iron
- Industrial production of full nine-cell cavities:
  - Deep-drawing of subunits (half-cells, etc. ) from niobium sheets
  - Chemical preparation for welding, cleanroom preparation
  - Electron-beam welding according to detailed specification
- 800 °C high temperature heat treatment to stress anneal the Nb and to remove hydrogen from the Nb
- 1400 °C high temperature heat treatment with titanium getter layer to increase the thermal conductivity (RRR=500)
- Chemical etching to remove damage layer and titanium getter layer
- High pressure water rinsing as final treatment to avoid particle contamination

# Standard Cavity Production (EB welding)



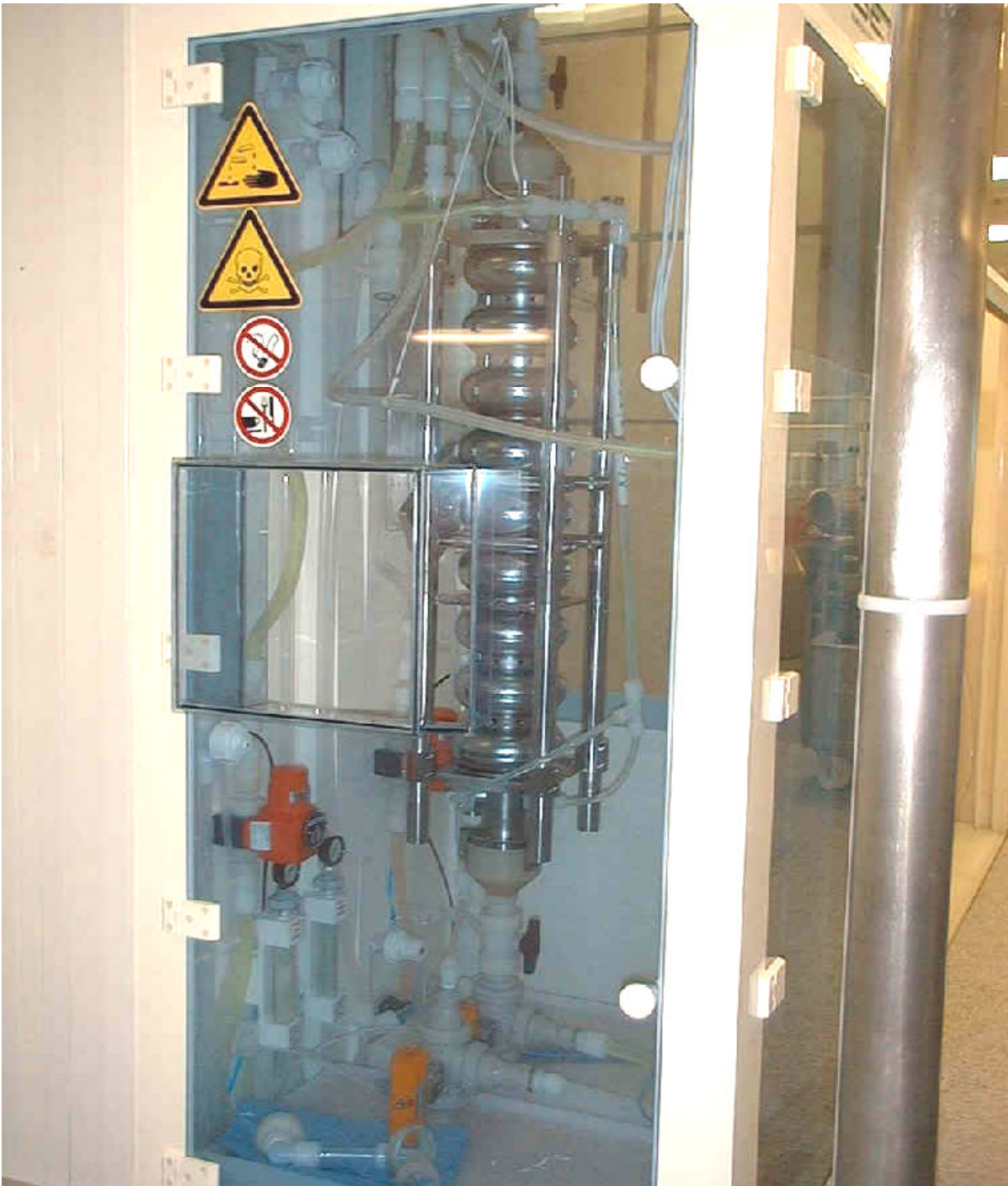
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# Surface preparation

**Chemical etching of the inner surface (100 $\mu$ m) by closed pumping circuit. Acid cooled to 9°C.**



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# Detailed preparation sequence for niobium cavities

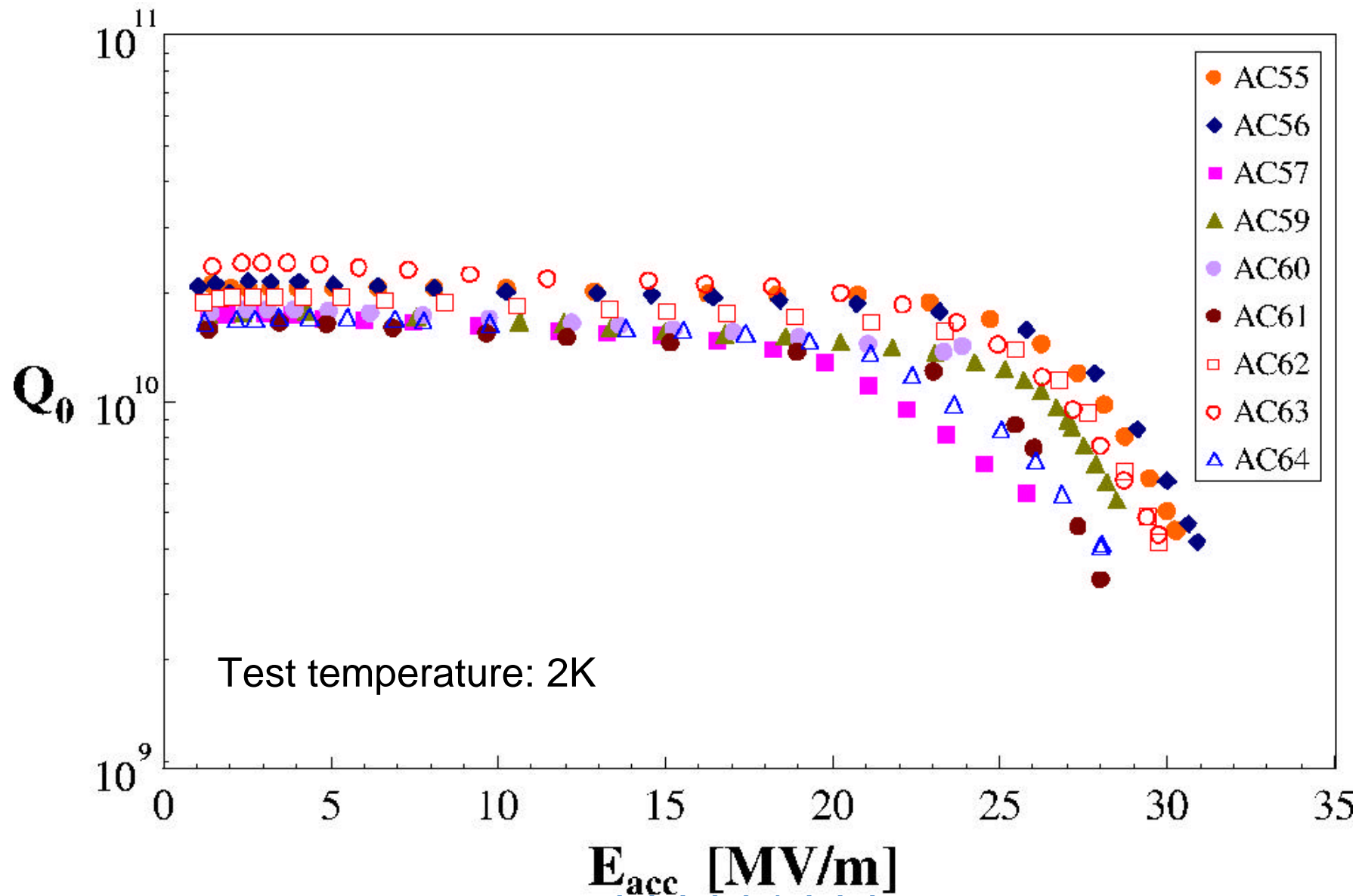
- removal of the **damage layer** by chemical etching
- 2 hours heat treatment at 800 C - remove **hydrogen** and **stress anneal**
- 4 hours heat treatment at 1400 C with titanium getter for **higher thermal conductivity** to stabilize defects
- removal of the **titanium layer** by chemical etching
- **field flatness** tuning
- final 20  $\mu\text{m}$  removal from the inner surface by etching
- **high pressure rinsing** (HPR) with ultrapure water
- drying by laminar flow in a **class 10 cleanroom**
- assembly of all flanges, leak-check
- 2 times HPR, drying by laminar flow and assembly
- of the input antenna with high external Q

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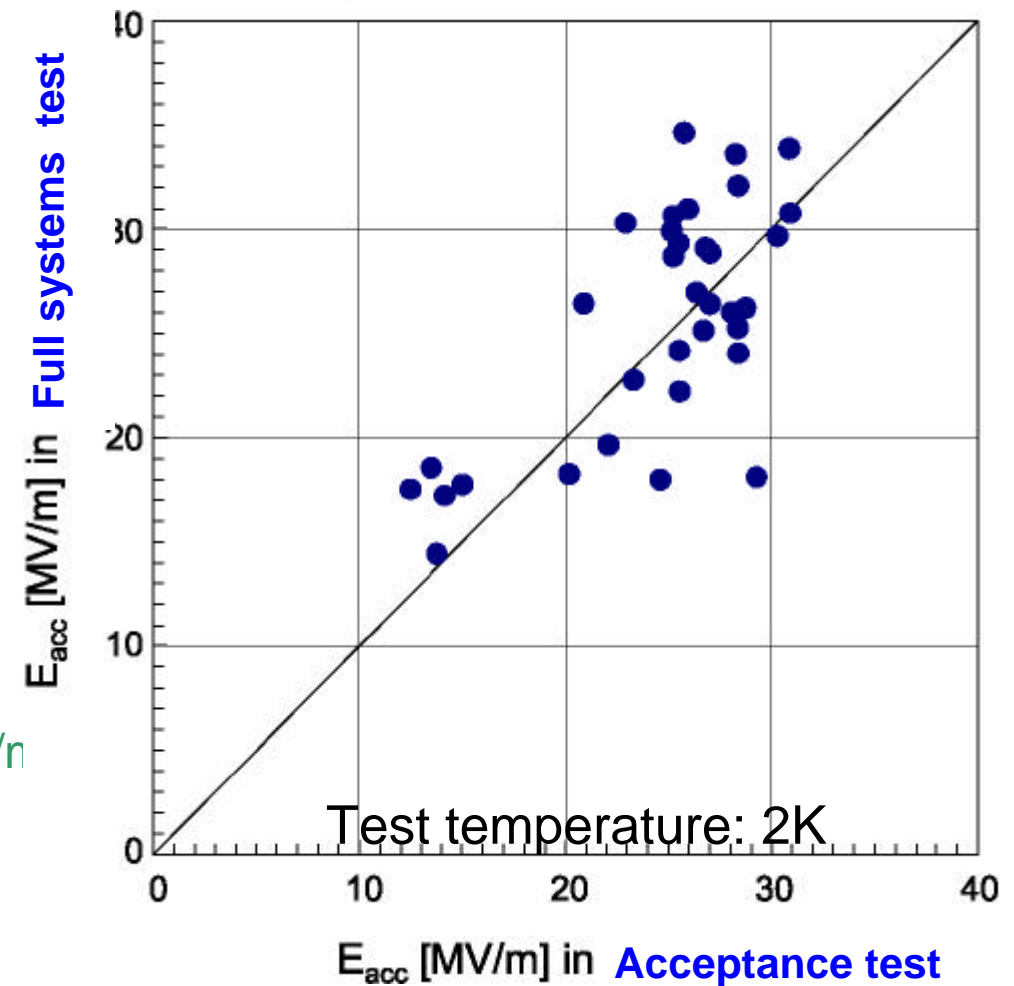
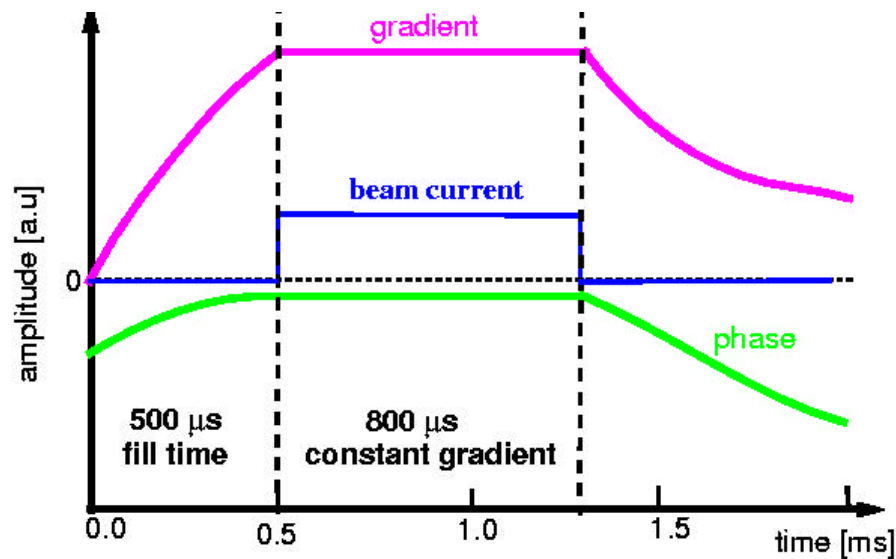
# Latest production of TESLA-type nine-cell cavities



# Acceptance test vs. Full systems test

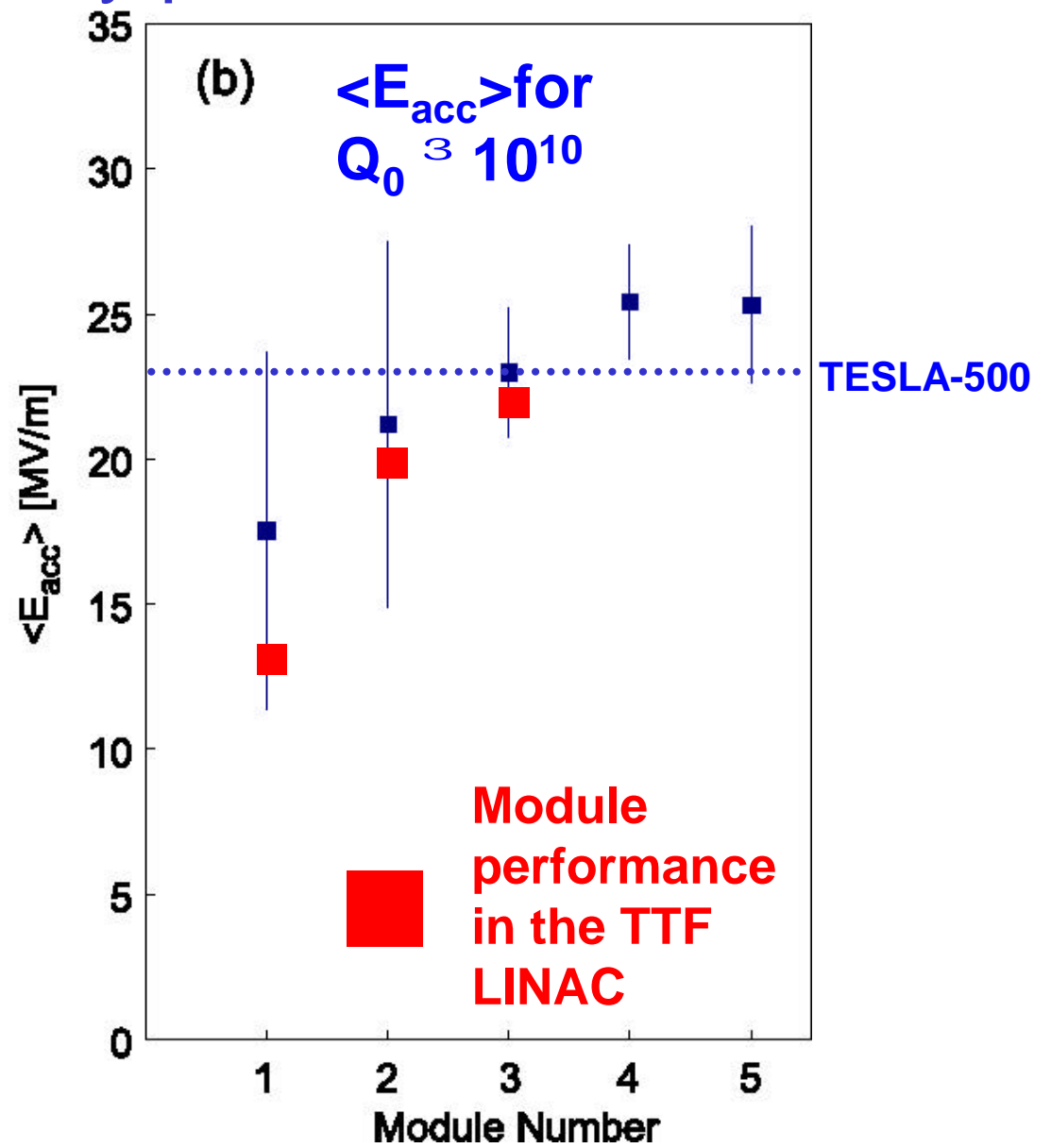
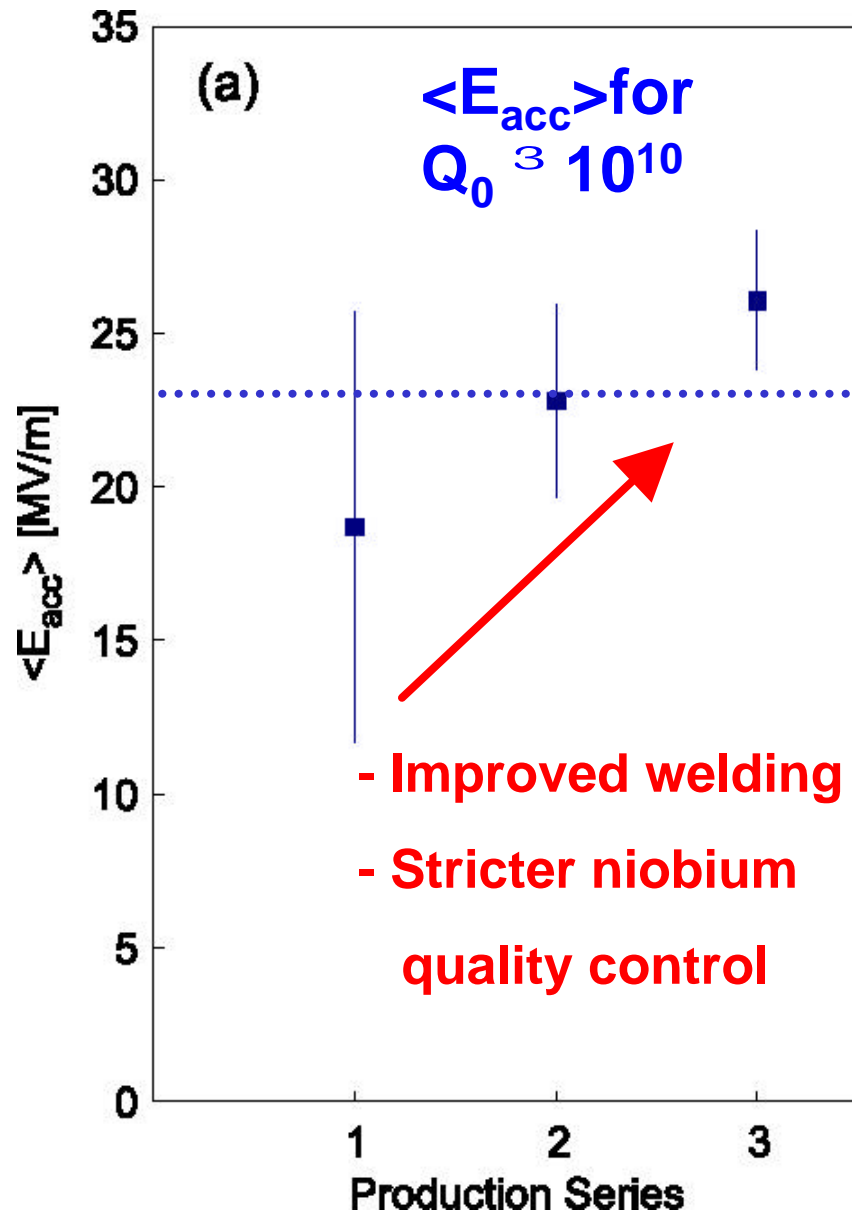
- **Acceptance test**
  - Continuous wave measurement (ca. 5 hours) with high Q antenna
  - Conservative evaluation:
    - take the gradient where the  $Q_0 \approx 10^{10}$
    - ⇒ far below the breakdown field of the cavity
- **Full systems test with main power coupler**
  - pulsed test with:
    - 500  $\mu$ s rise time
    - 800  $\mu$ s flat-top
    - 10 Hz repetition rate
- **Good agreement** between both test methods

# Acceptance test vs. full systems test



- Several cavities sustain more than 30 MV/n in pulsed measurement
- Results scatter around  $E_{\text{acc, cw}} = E_{\text{acc, pulse}}$
- Prediction of the cavity behaviour in the LINAC is possible

# Results of cavity productions



# Modules in the TTF LINAC

- **Averages** of accelerating gradients taken - not optimised for single cavity performance
- **Predicted gradient** from cw measurement **agrees well** with module performance
- **Total operation time** of sc cavities is about **8000 hours**
- **High gradient operation at 20 and 22 MV/m** in the 2 modules about 700 hours
  - **Reason**: FEL people want lower gradient
- Installed in the LINAC
  - no third production cavities yet -> in 2002
  - no third production couplers yet -> in 2002

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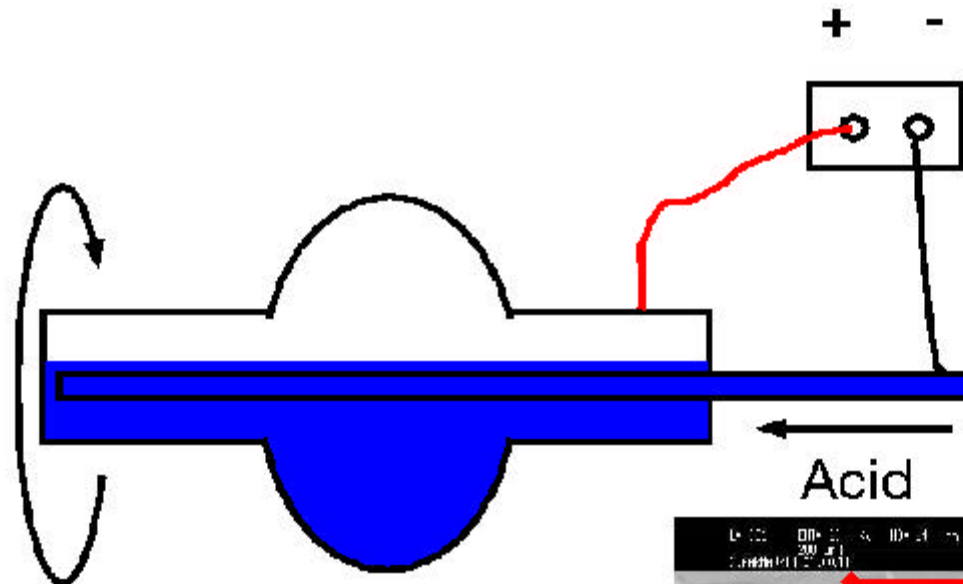




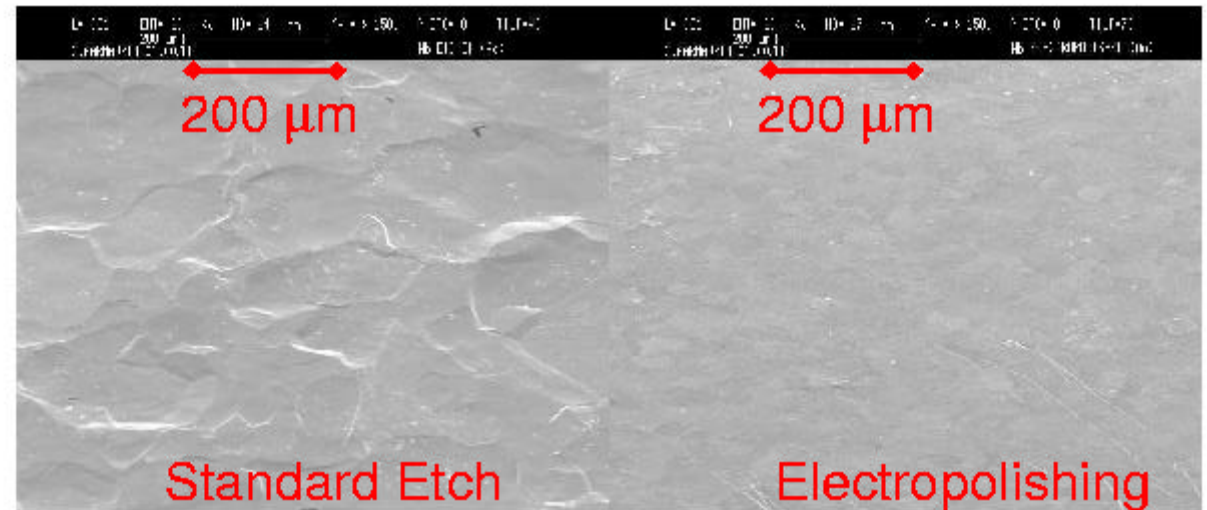
# Electropolishing: The way to highest gradients

- Benefits of **electrolytic polishing (EP)**:
  - bright and smooth surface
  - **more than 40 MV/m** achieved in several 1.3 GHz **1-cell cavities**
  - suppression of field emission
  - **1400°C heat treatment** seems to be **unnecessary**
  - works also for very different manufacturing techniques (see later)

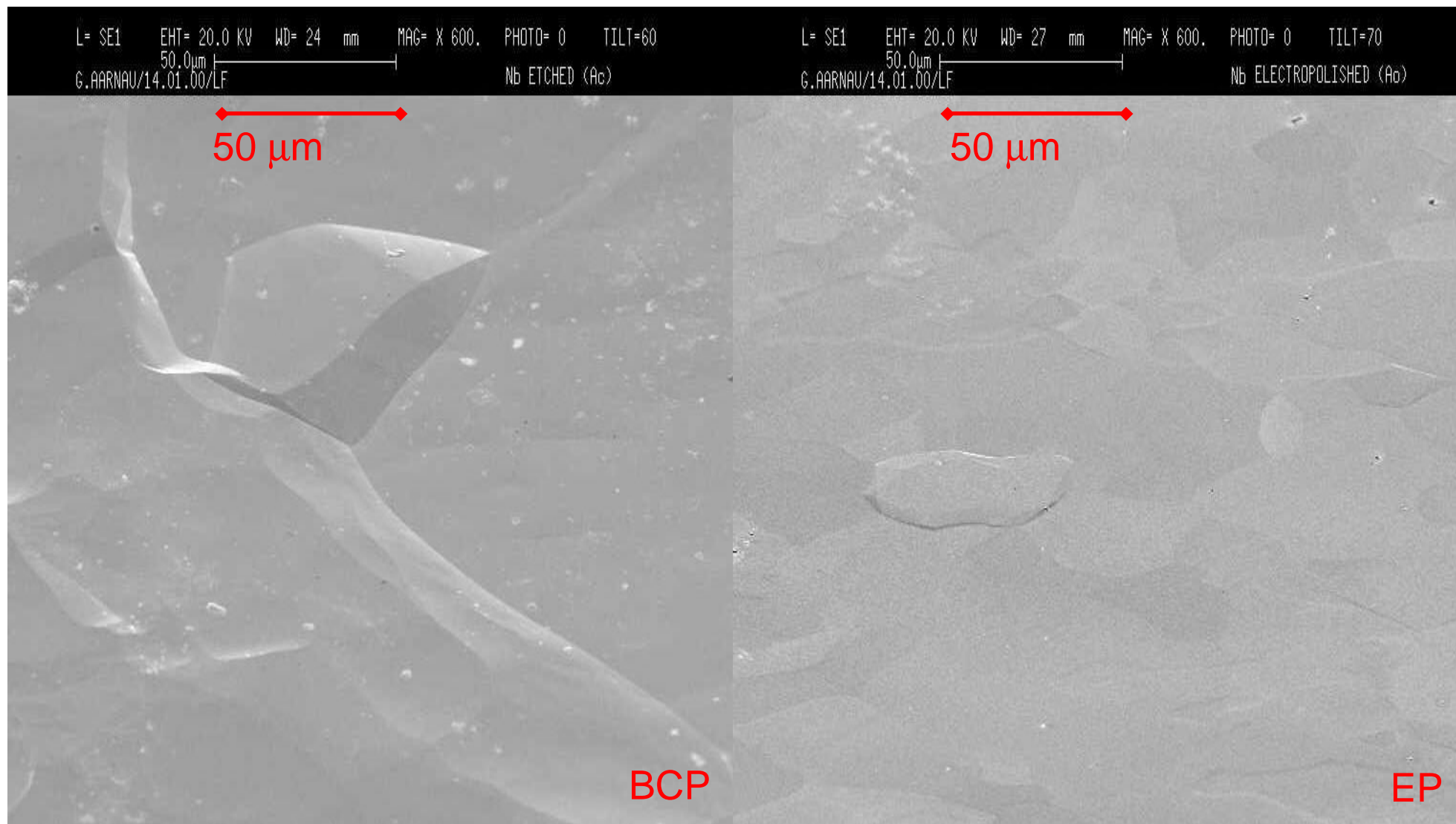
# Electropolishing of 1-cell cavities (Scheme)



- EP electrolyte
- 90 %  $H_2SO_4$
- 10 % HF
- 30 °C
- 0,5  $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$  removal of material



# Niobium surfaces



# Niobium chemistry

- Oxidation

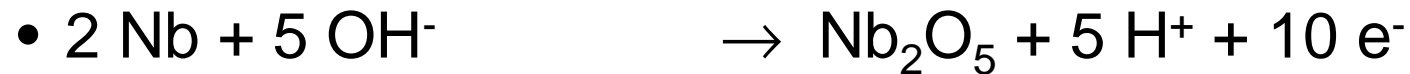
- Electropolishing:



- Chemical etching:



- Anodizing:

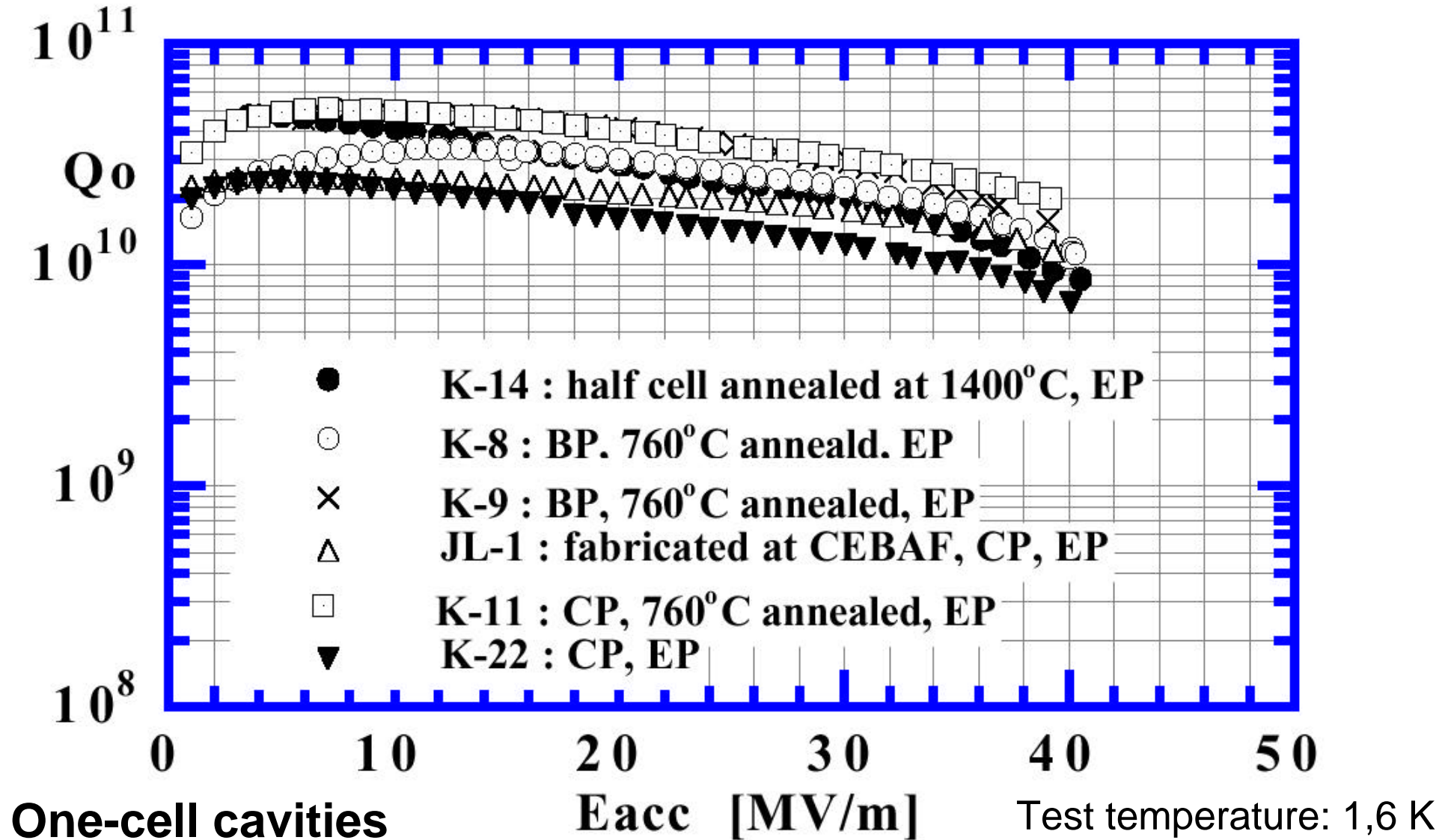


- Complex forming



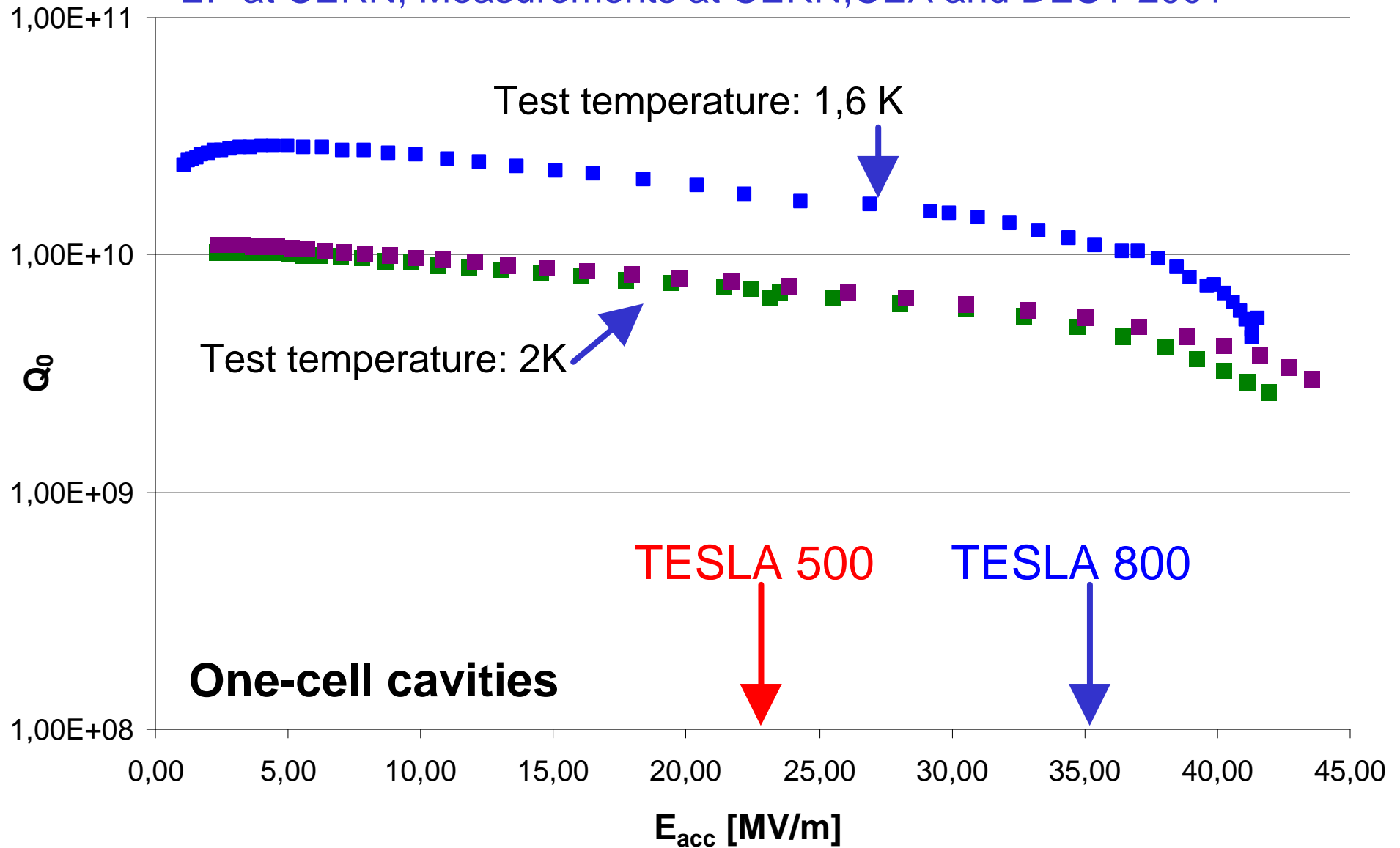
# KEK results for electropolished niobium cavities

K. Saito et al. KEK 1998/1999



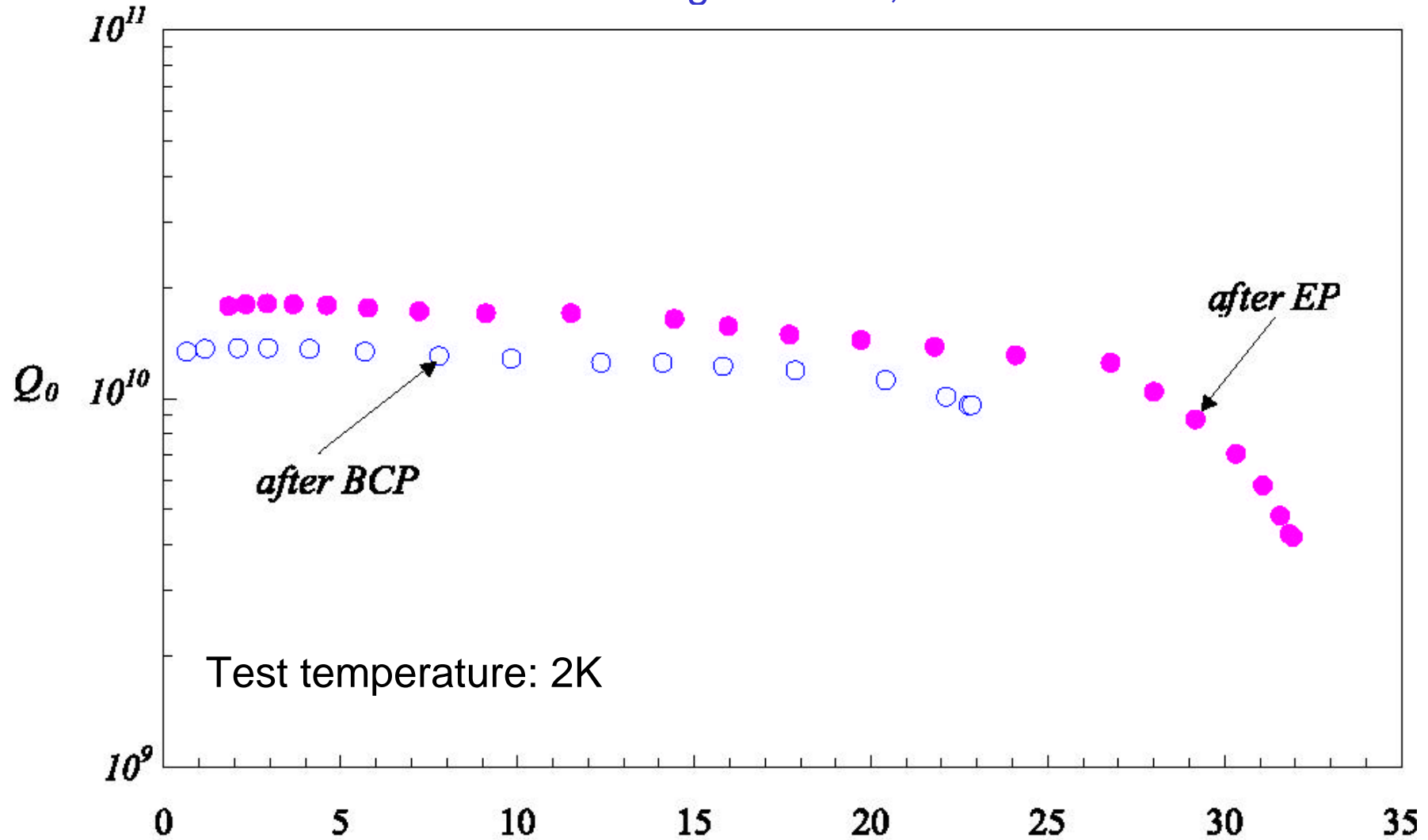
# Electropolished cavities

EP at CERN, Measurements at CERN,CEA and DESY 2001



# Electropolished TESLA nine-cell cavity

EP at Nomura Plating and KEK, Test at DESY

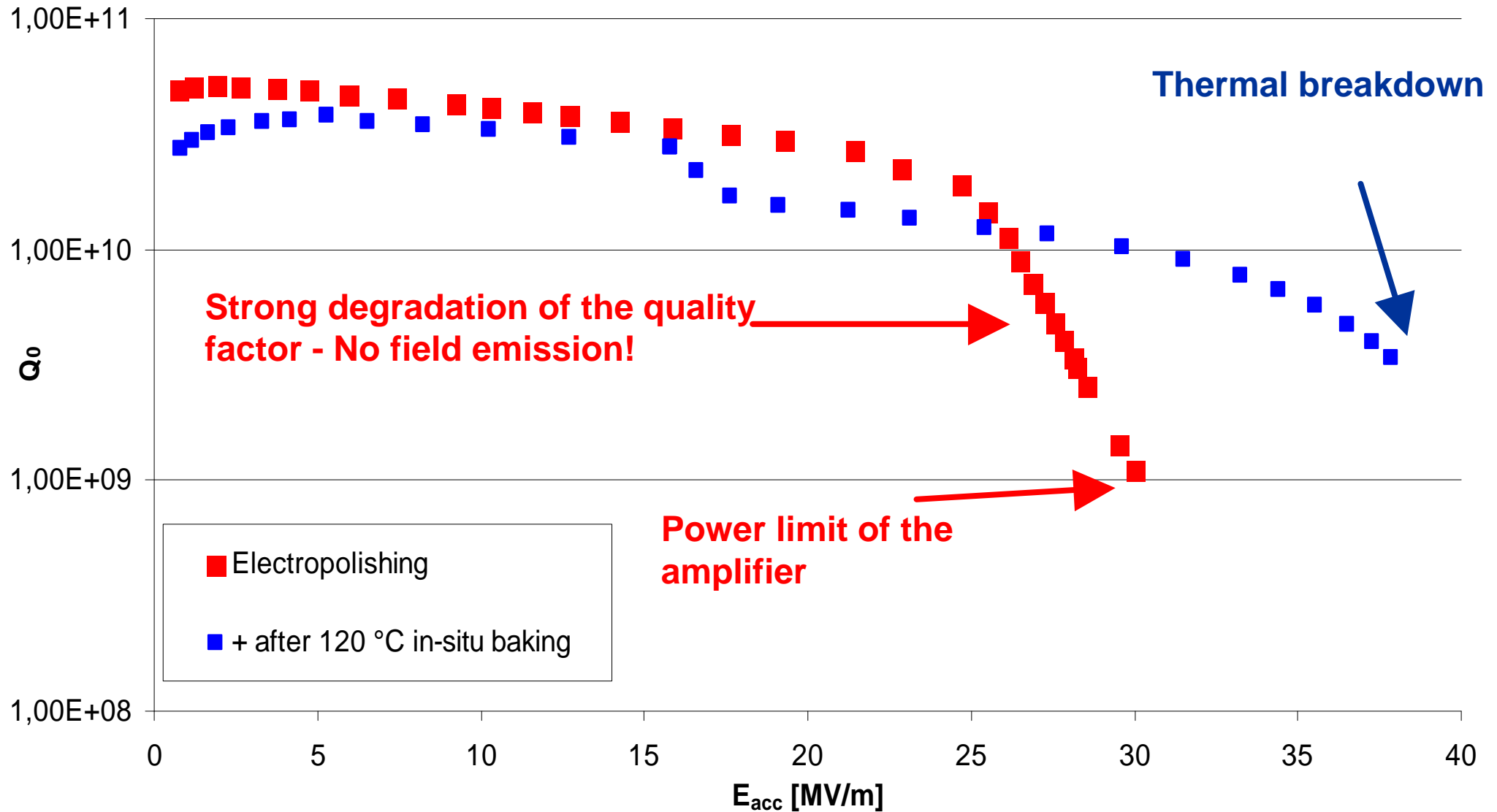


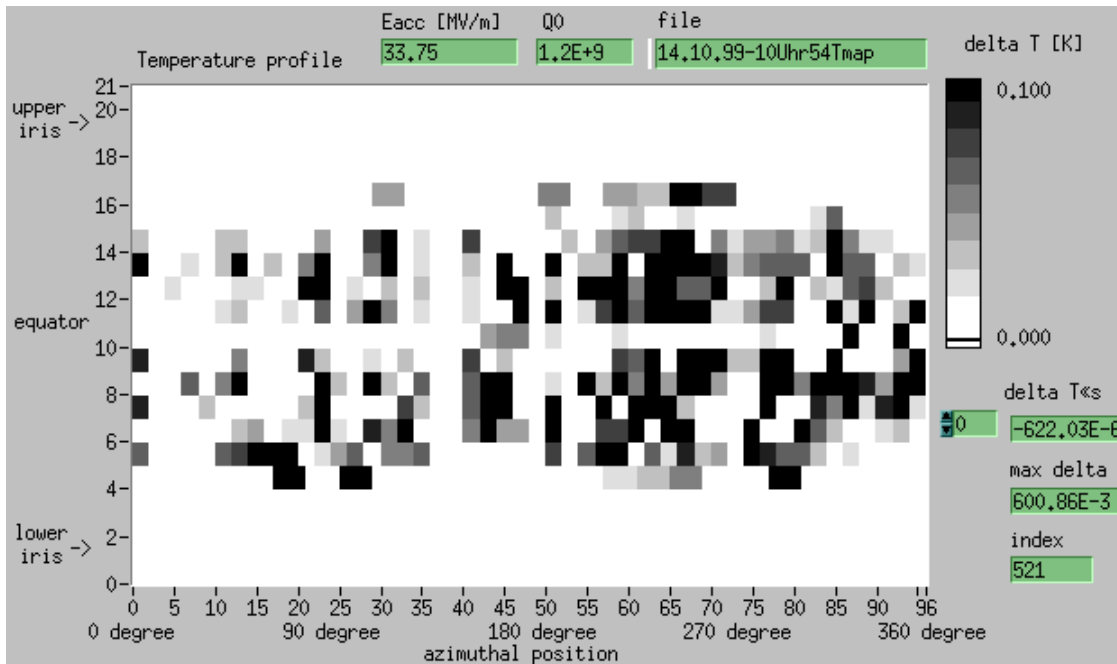
# In-situ Baking

- Heating of the cavity to 100 - 120 °C
- Duration: ca. 40 hours
- Pressure below  $10^{-6}$  mbar
- Inert gas atmosphere on the outside



# Improvement by 'In-situ' baking



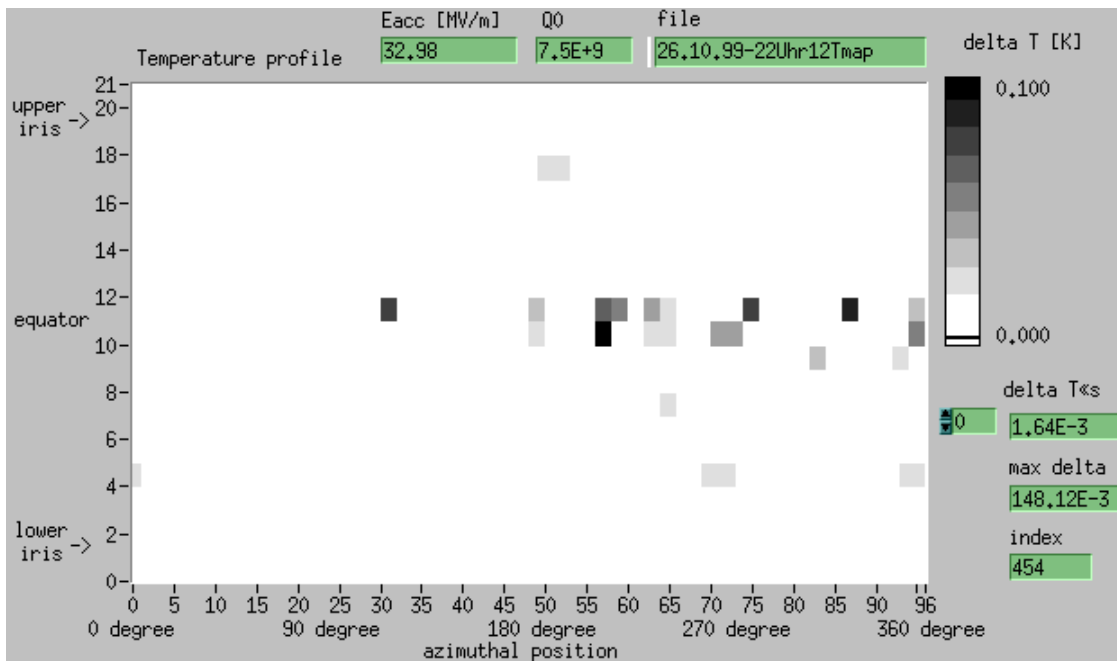


## Temperature mapping at 33MV/m

... **before** in-situ bakeout at 120°C

⇒ Large area in the high magnetic field region of the cavity heats up

⇒ Global effect

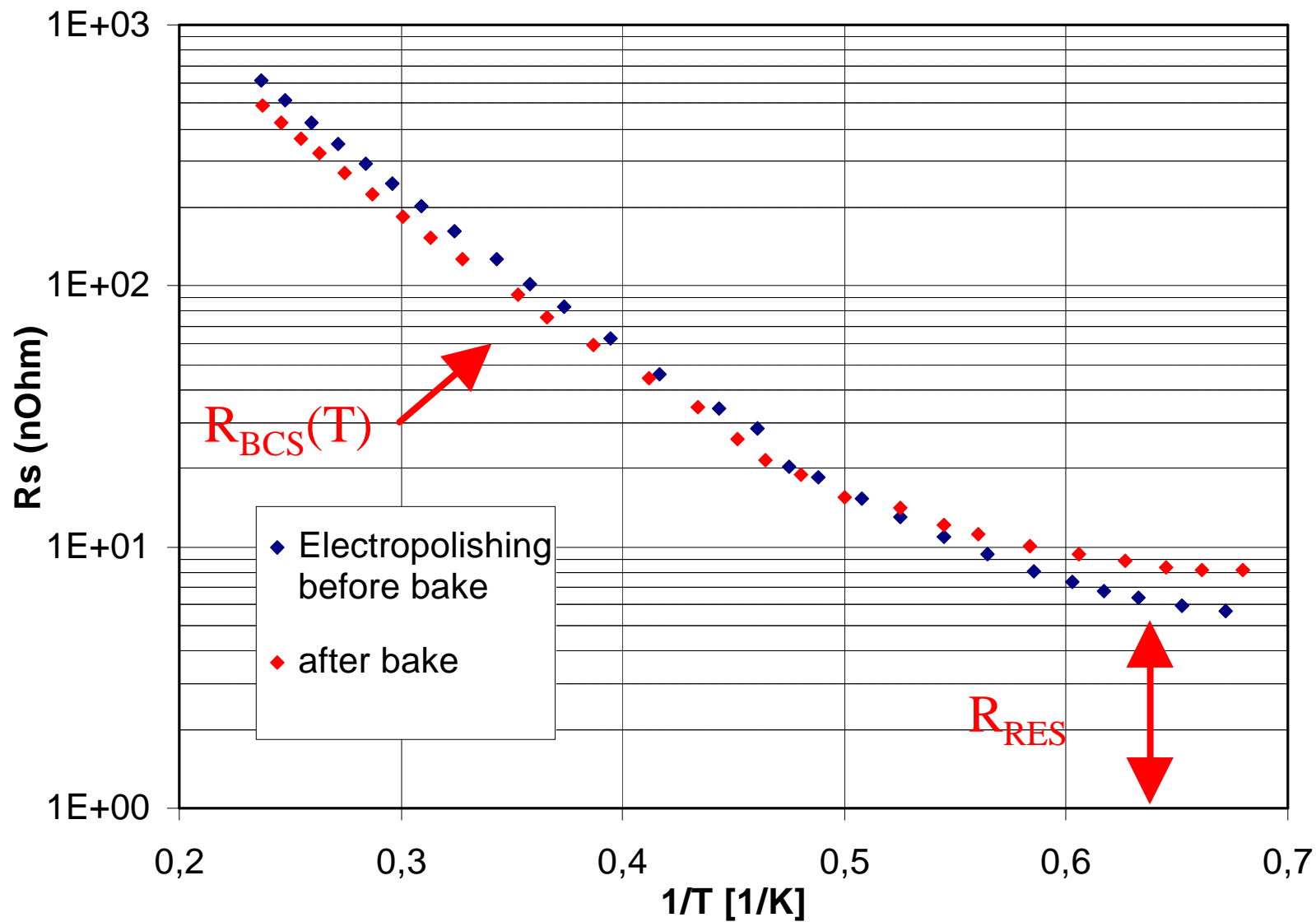


... **after** in-situ bakeout at 120°C

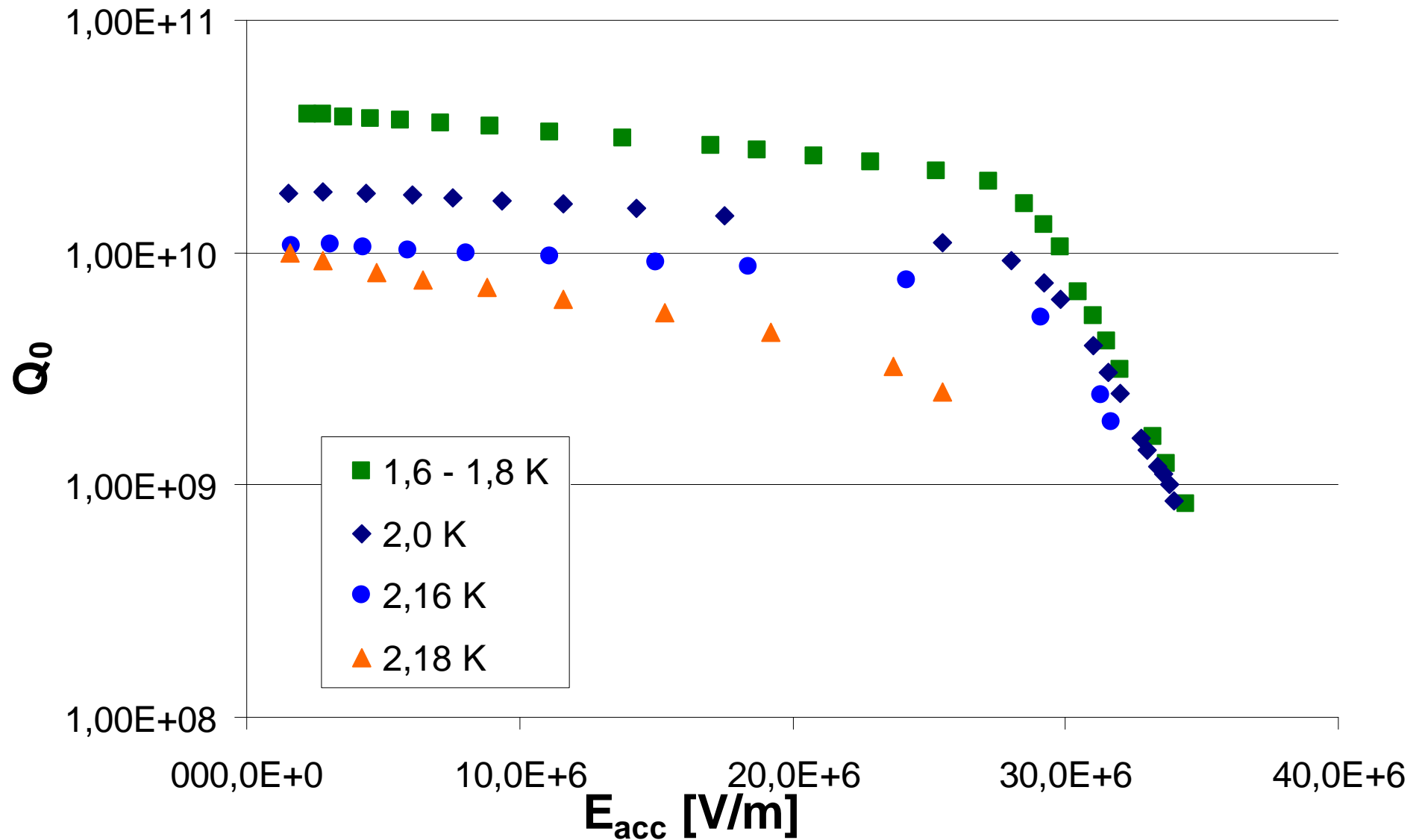
⇒ Heating of the equator welding

⇒ Change of the surface properties of the niobium

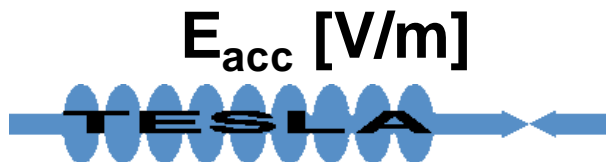
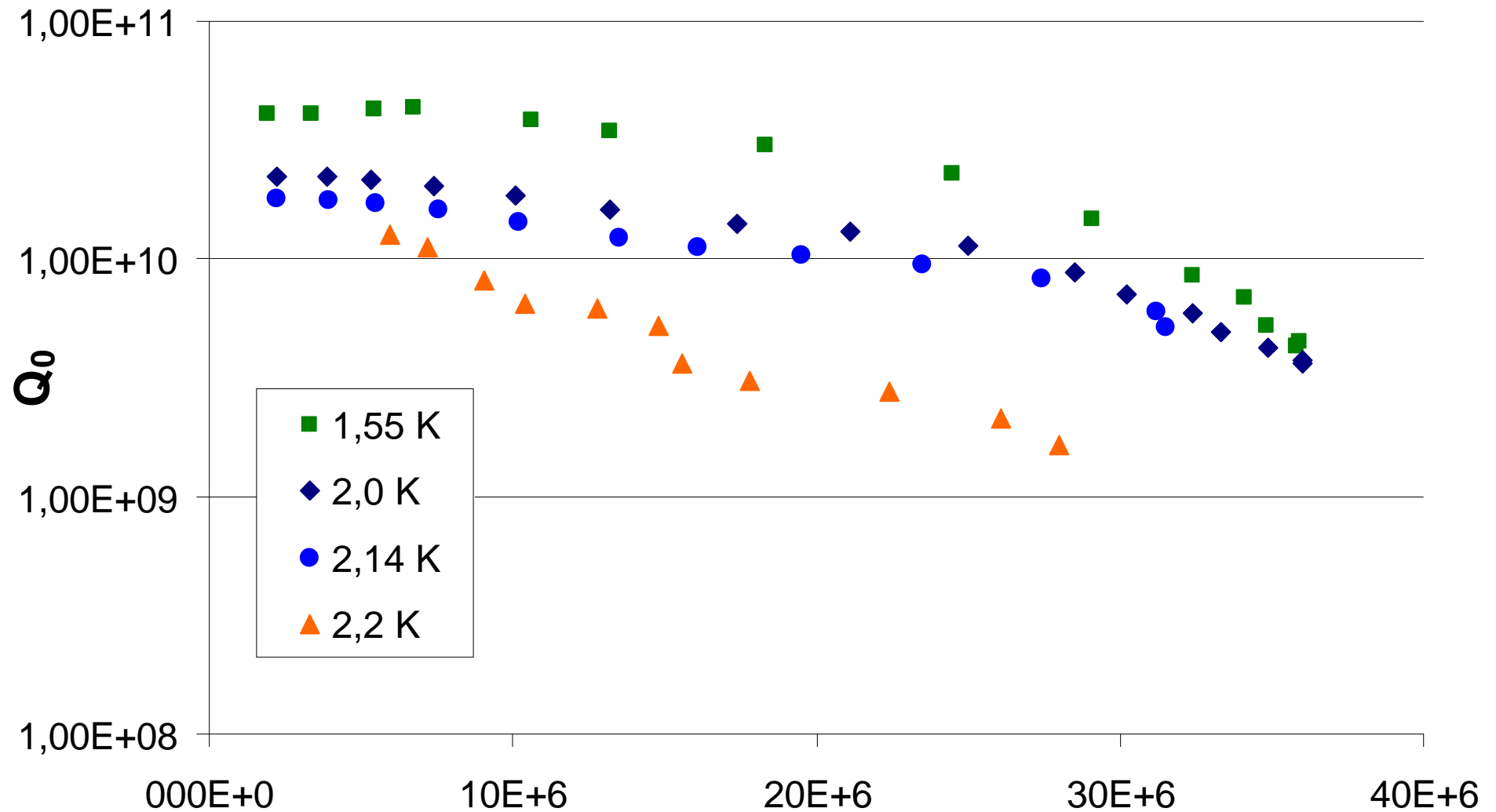
# Surface resistance $R_s$



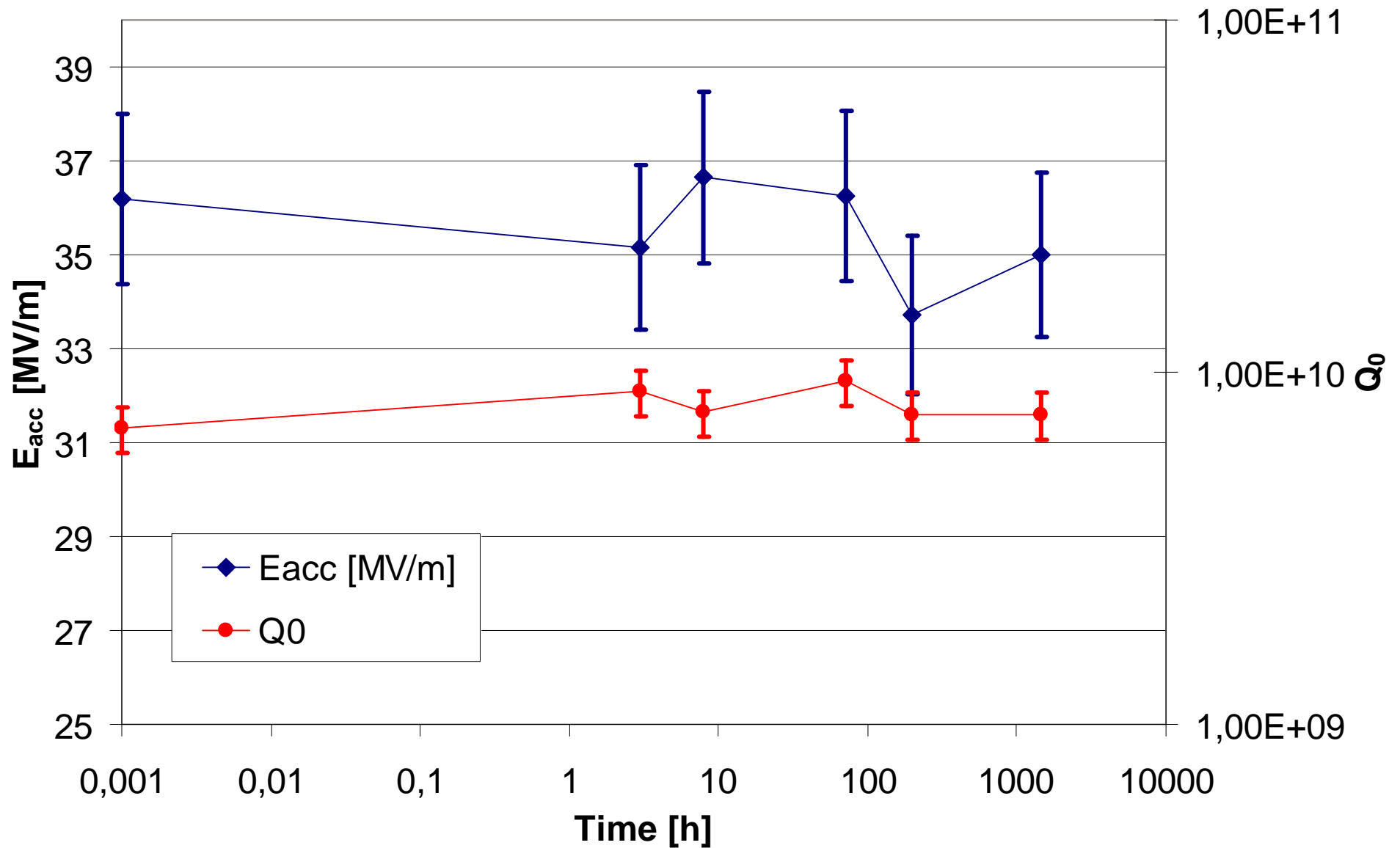
# $Q(E_{acc})$ before bake



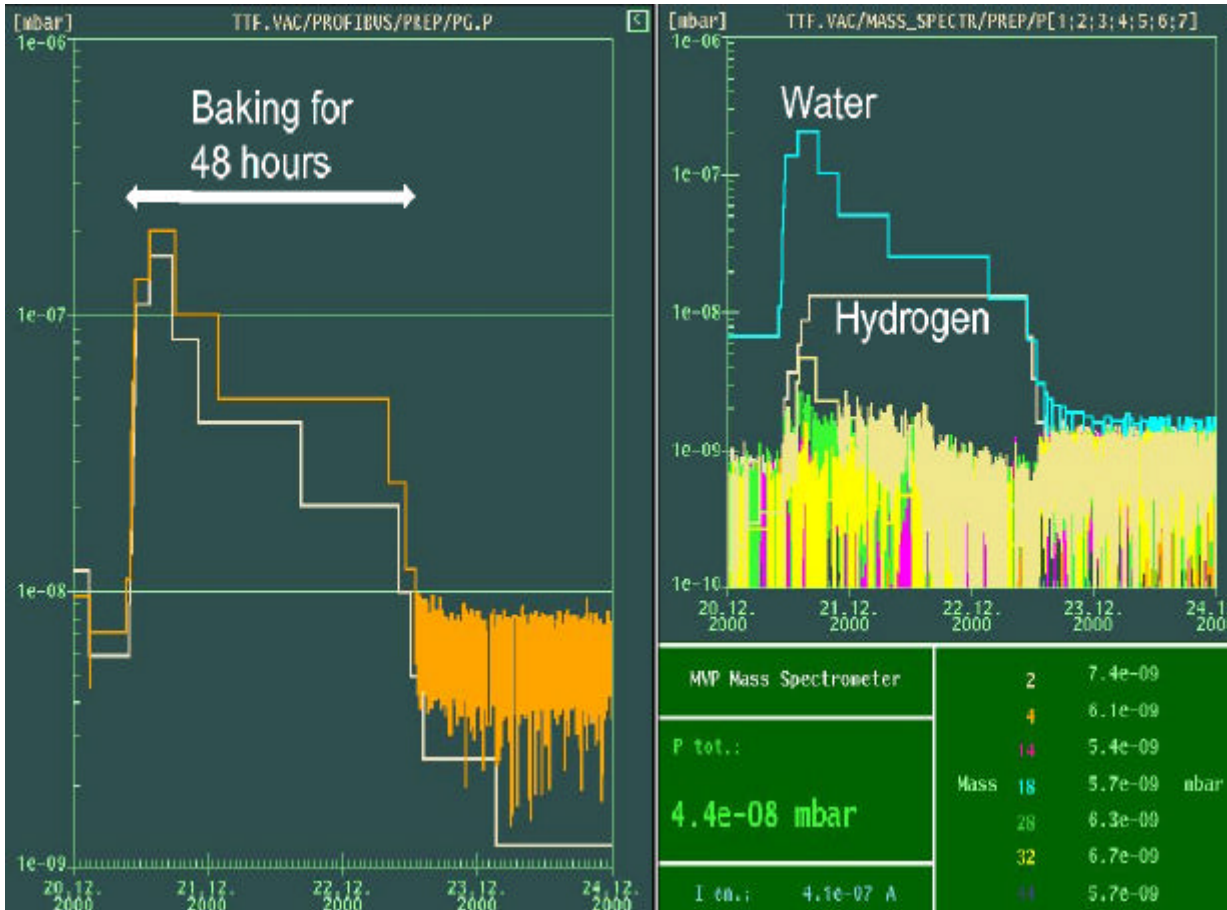
# $Q(E_{\text{acc}})$ after bake



# Air exposure of a baked niobium surface

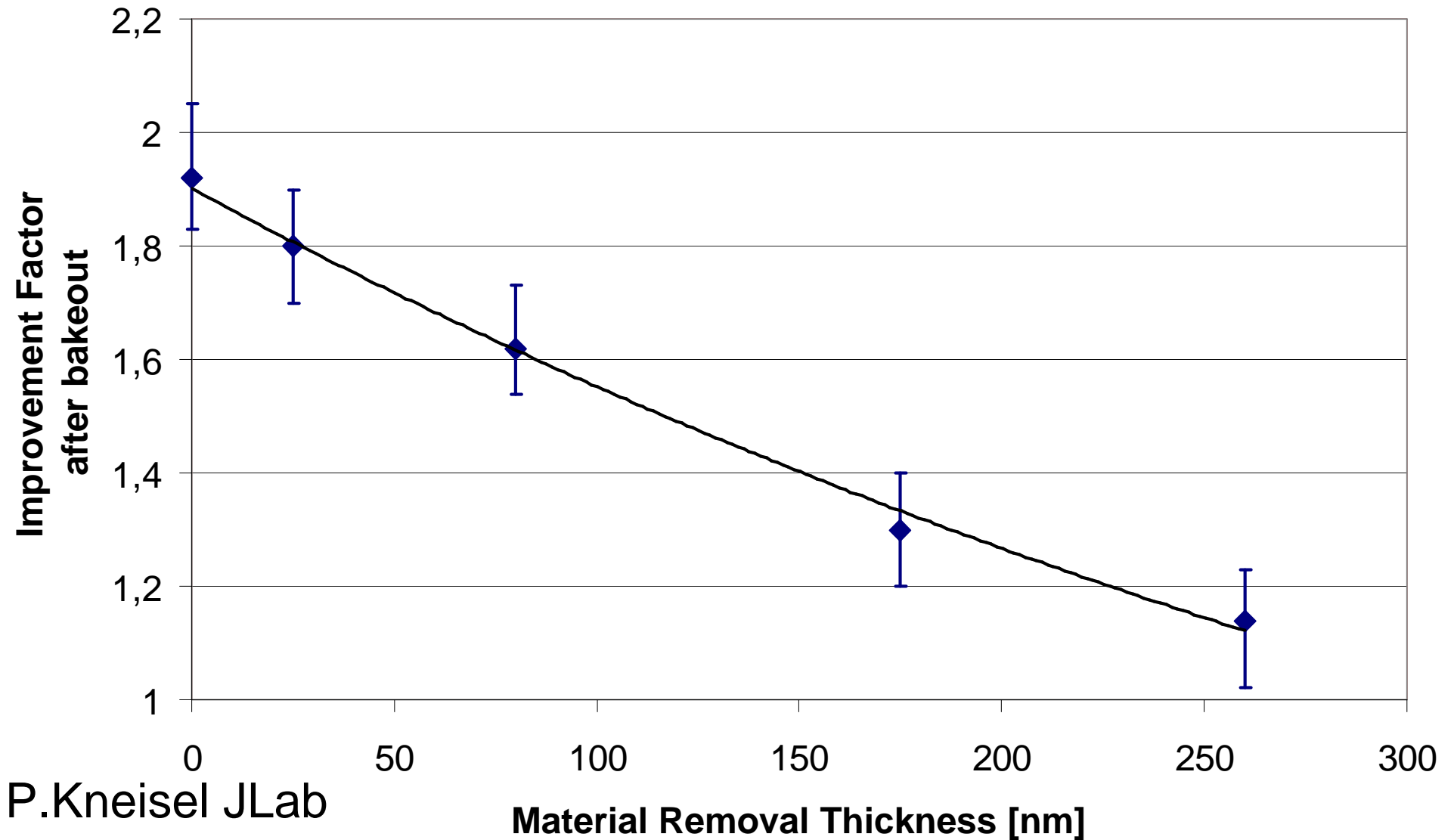


# Residual gas analysis during bakeout



- It is mostly **water** and **hydrogen**
- Bake-out effect stays even after a new exposure to air and high pressure water rinsing, therefore it is **unlikely** that adsorbed gasses play a role.

# Thickness of the surface layer affected by the bake effect



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Material Removal Thickness [nm]



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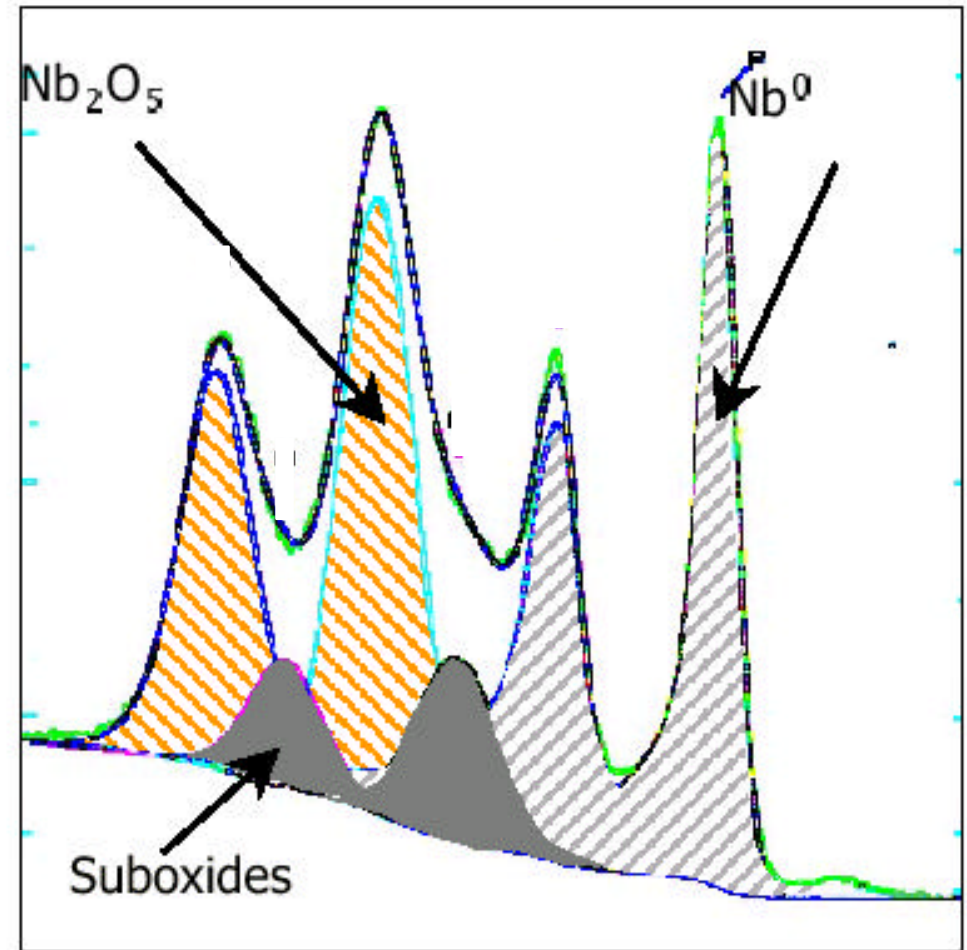
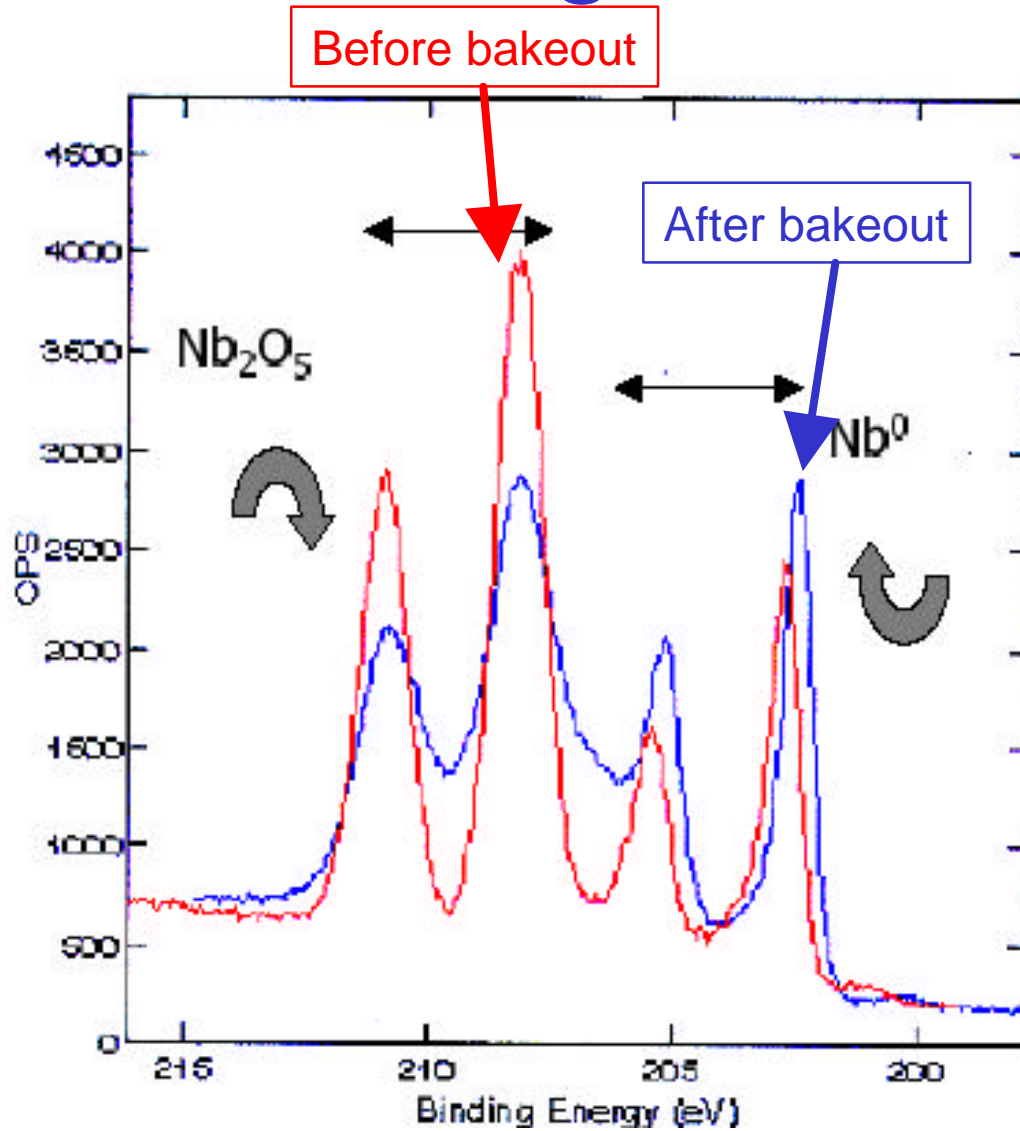


# What is the reason for the baking effect?

- Evaporation of **chemical residues** from the surface ?
- **Impurity diffusion** in the surface layer ?
  - Hydrogen
  - Oxygen
- A closer look on the surface properties of niobium is necessary:
  - Do **surface barriers** play a role?
  - Are the **pinning properties** changed by the bakeout?

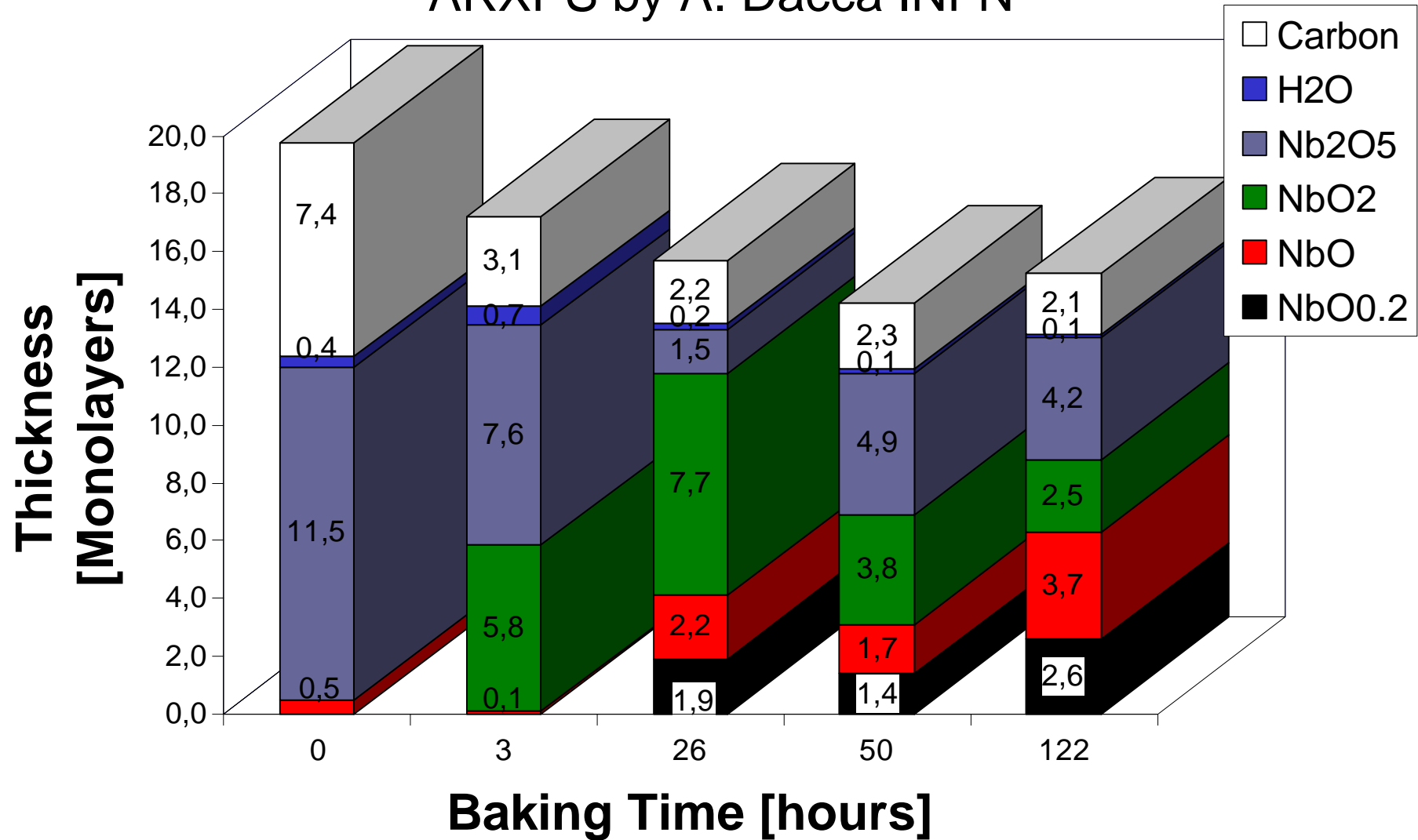
# Changes in surface oxides ?

C. Antoine CEA



# Change of the oxide structure ?

ARXPS by A. Dacca INFN



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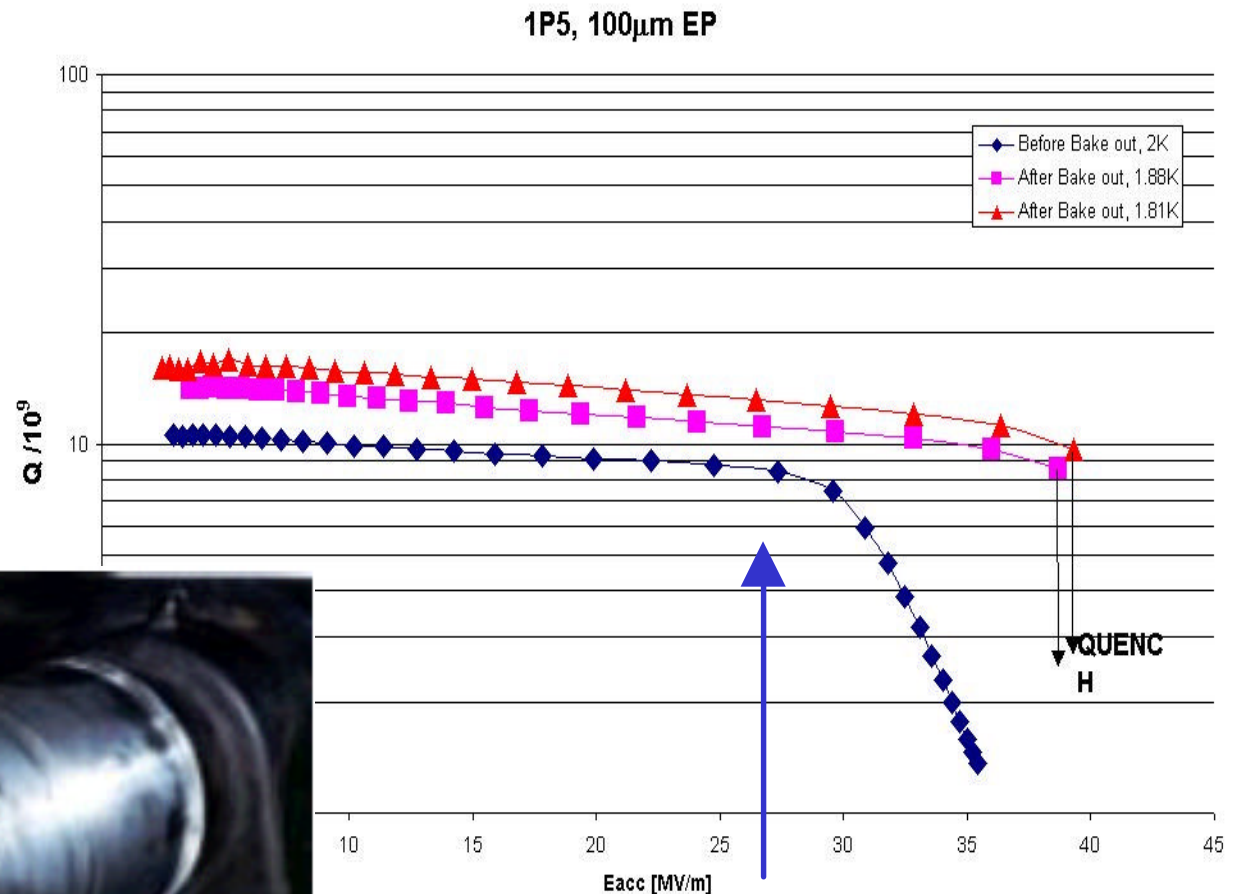


# Spun and EP cavities

Palmieri (INFN-LNL),  
CERN-CEA-DESY  
Collaboration



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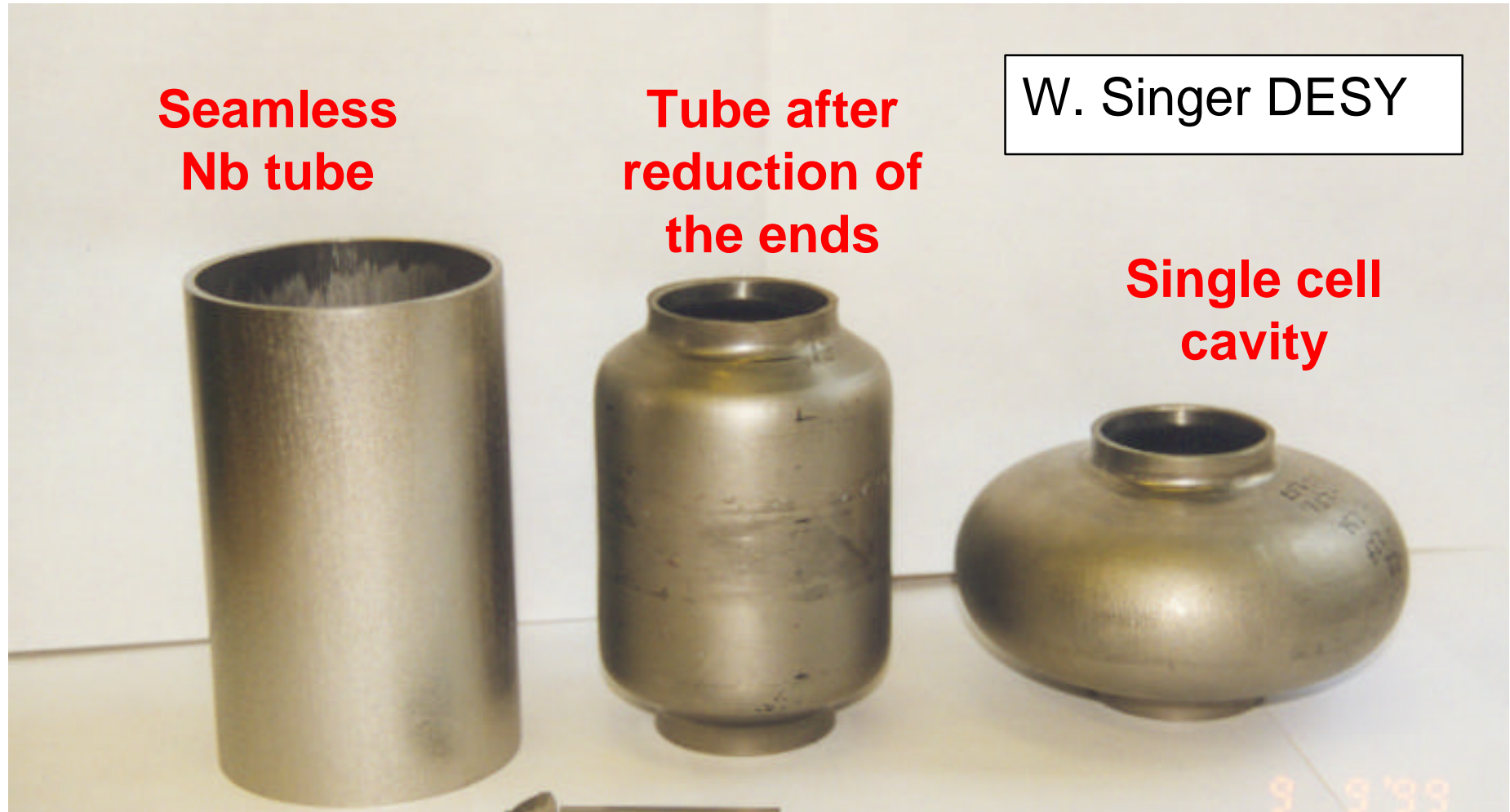


One-cell cavity



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# Hydroforming



Seamless  
Nb tube

Tube after  
reduction of  
the ends

W. Singer DESY

Single cell  
cavity

Two stages of cavity forming

# Hydroforming and EP

Kneisel TJANF

Kaiser, Singer DESY

Saito KEK

**One-cell cavity**

1.00E+11

1.00E+10

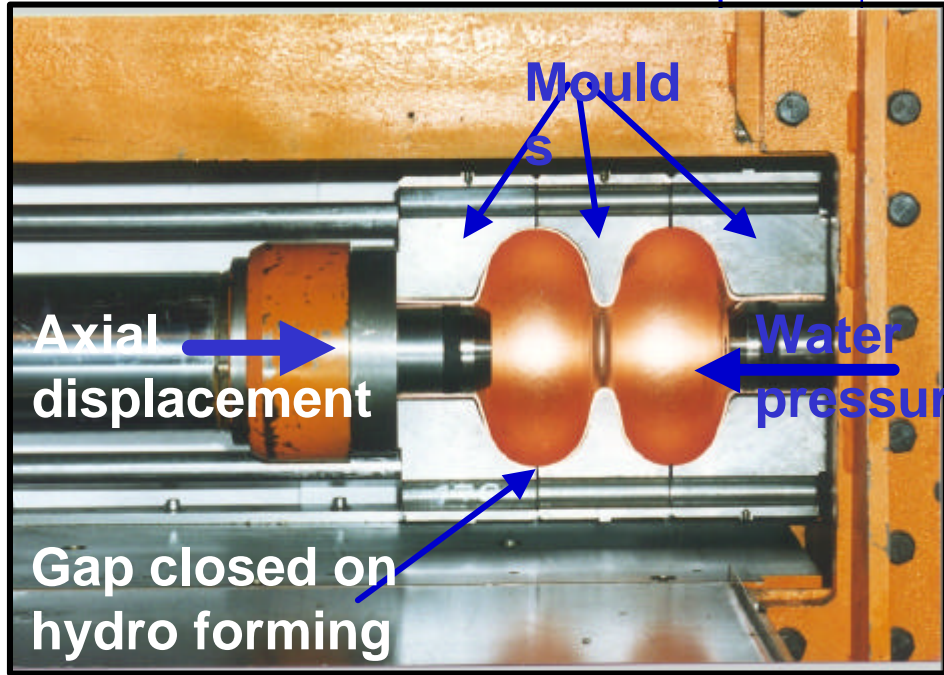
$Q_0$



DESY Seamless Cavity  
1K2  
TEST at JLab

Test temperature: 2K

Eacc [MV/m]

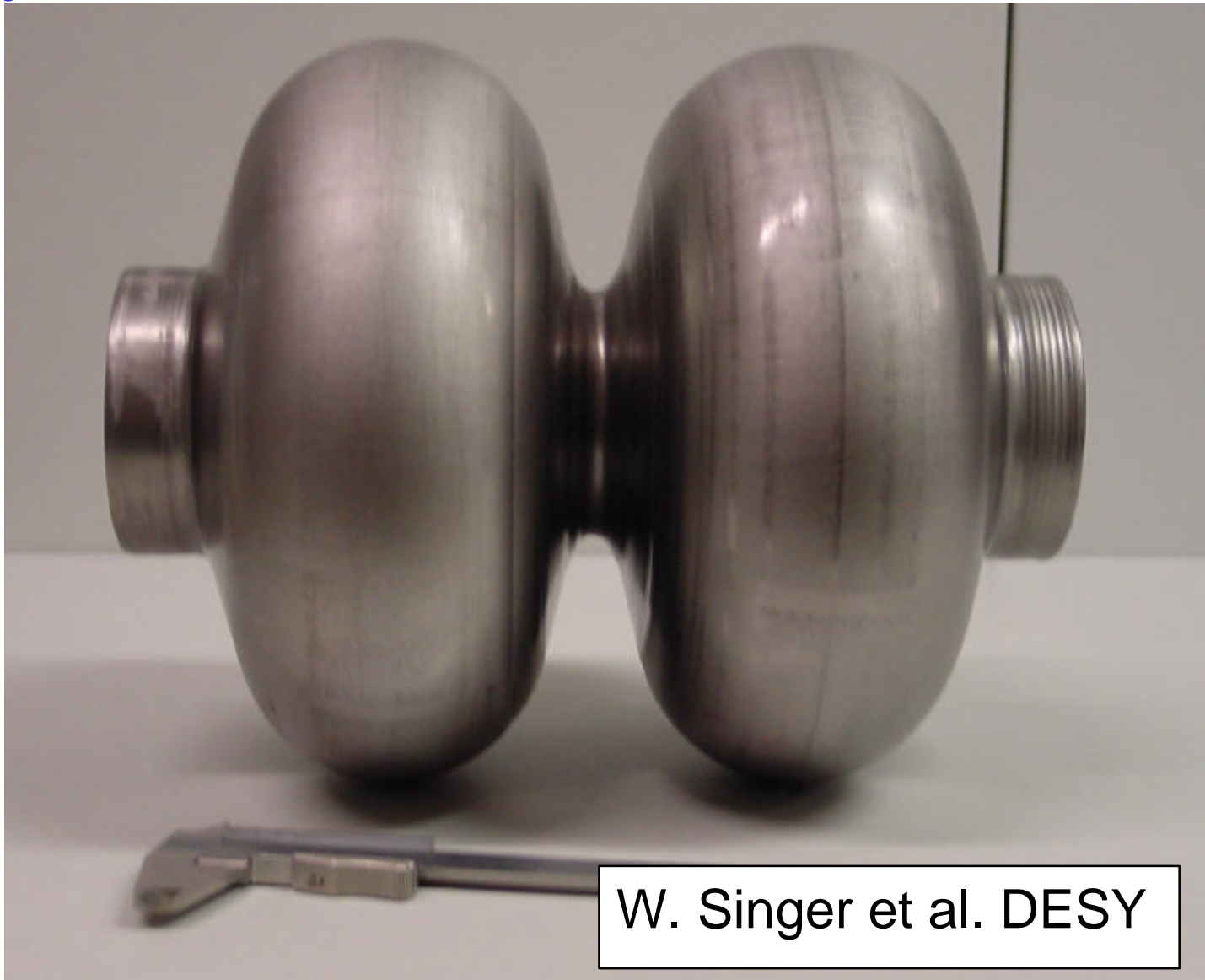


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# Hydroformed niobium 2-cell cavity



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# Hydroforming of Nb-Cu cells



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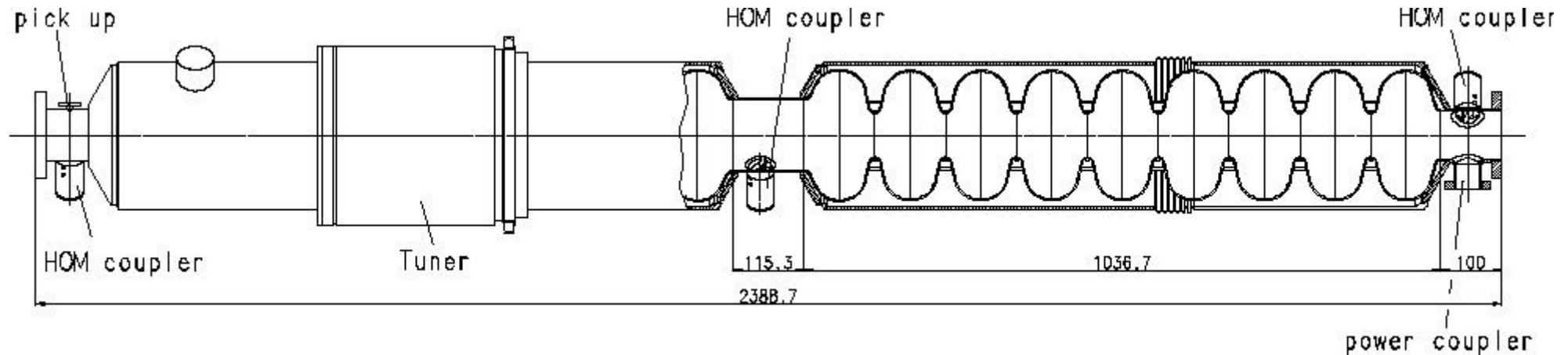


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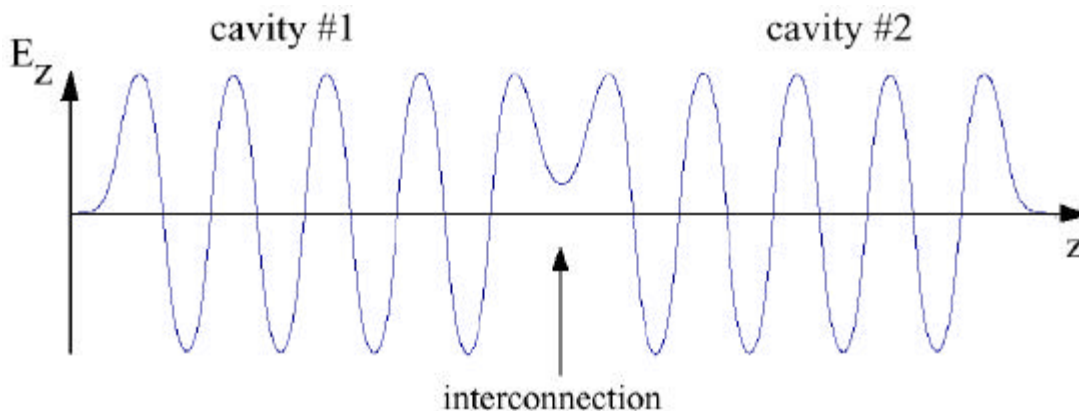
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# TESLA 2 x 9 Superstructure

J. Sekutowicz, M. Liepe et al.



Field profile:



Benefits:

- 6% larger active accelerating length as compared to normal nine-cell design
- less main and HOM couplers

## Comparison of two accelerating schemes for TESLA-500 (nine-cell vs. superstructure)

Layout	$L_{\text{active}}$ [m]	$E_{\text{acc}}$ [MV/m]	No. of power coupler	No. of HOM coupler	No. of freq. tuners	Filling factor $L_{\text{active}}/L_{\text{total}}$	$P_{\text{trans}}$ [kW]
<b>9-cell</b>	1.04	23.4	20592	41184	20592	78.6	232
<b>2x9-cell</b>	2.08	22	10926	32778	21852	84.8	437

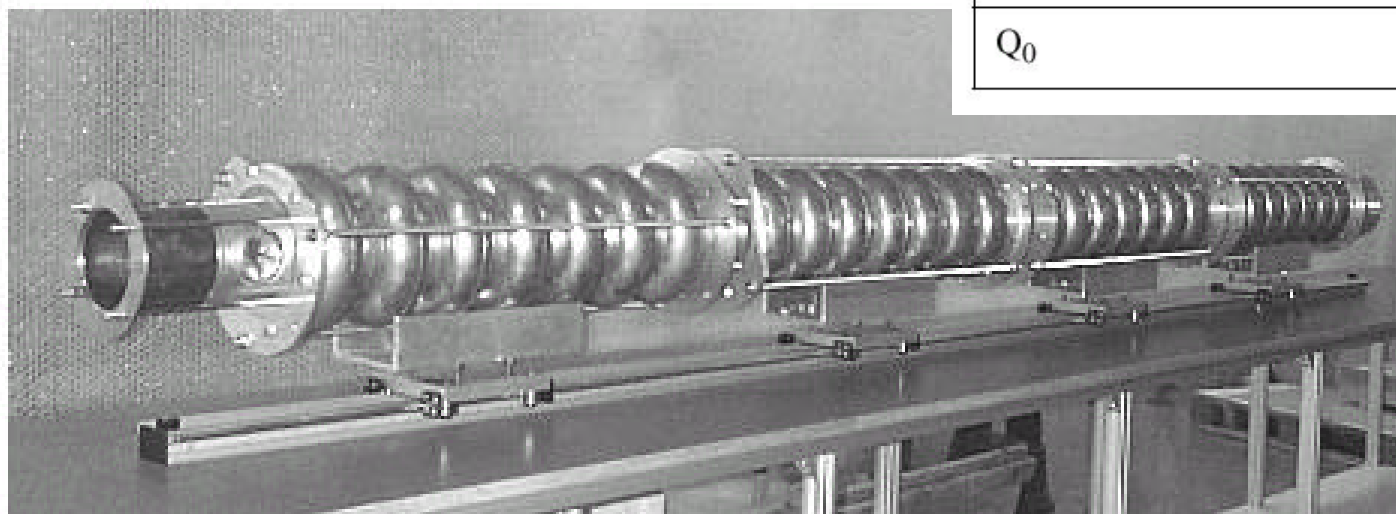
# Superstructure

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- higher fill factor  $L_{\text{acc}} / L_{\text{total}}$
- less RF couplers

Table 1: Parameters of Cu model of the superstructure

Parameter	
number of cells, M x N	4 x 7
number of HOM / input couplers	5 / 1
radius of mid / end iris [mm]	35 / 57
fill factor	0.875
$k_{\text{cc}}$ , cell-to-cell coupling	0.019
$k_{\text{ss}}$ , cavity-to-cavity coupling	$3.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$
field instability factor, $N^2 / k_{\text{cc}}$ [ $10^3$ ]	2.6
(R/Q)/length [ $\Omega/\text{m}$ ]	906
$Q_0$	$\approx 27000$



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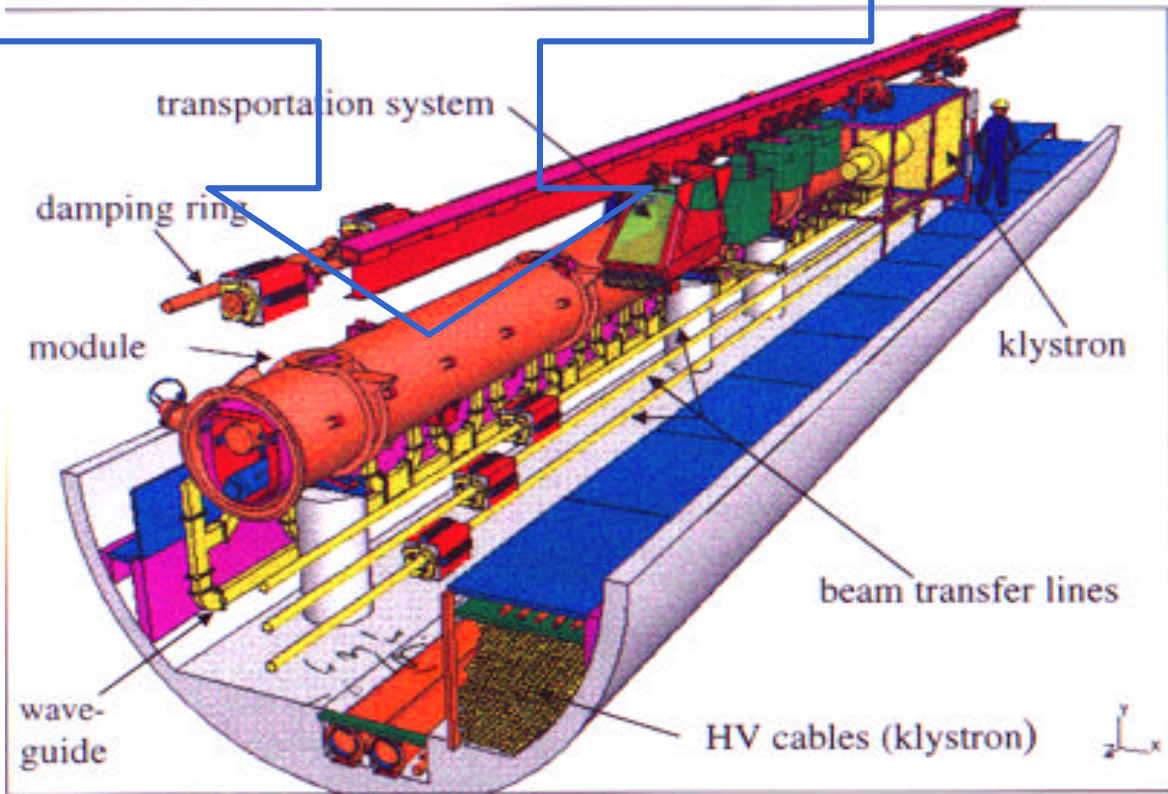
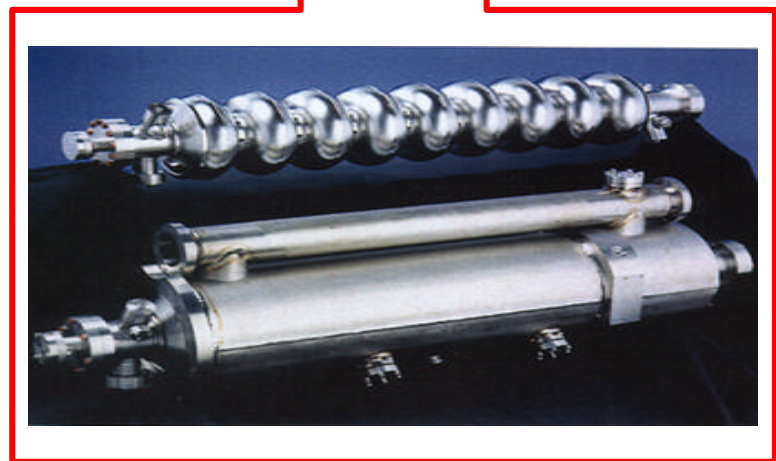
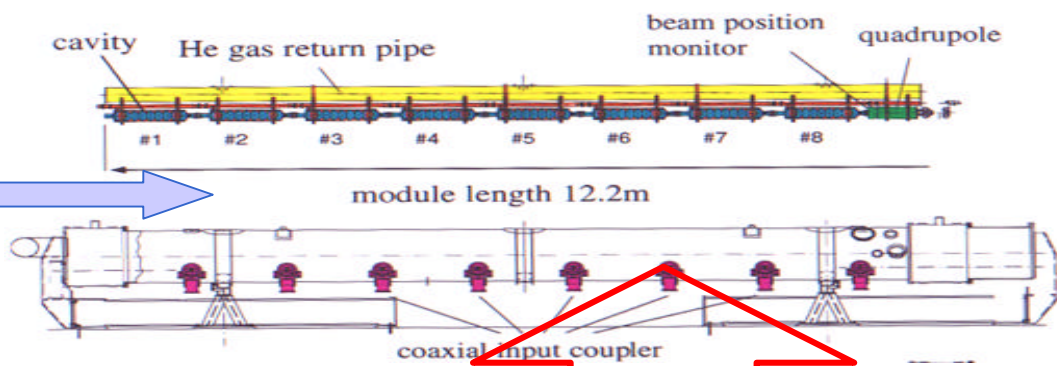
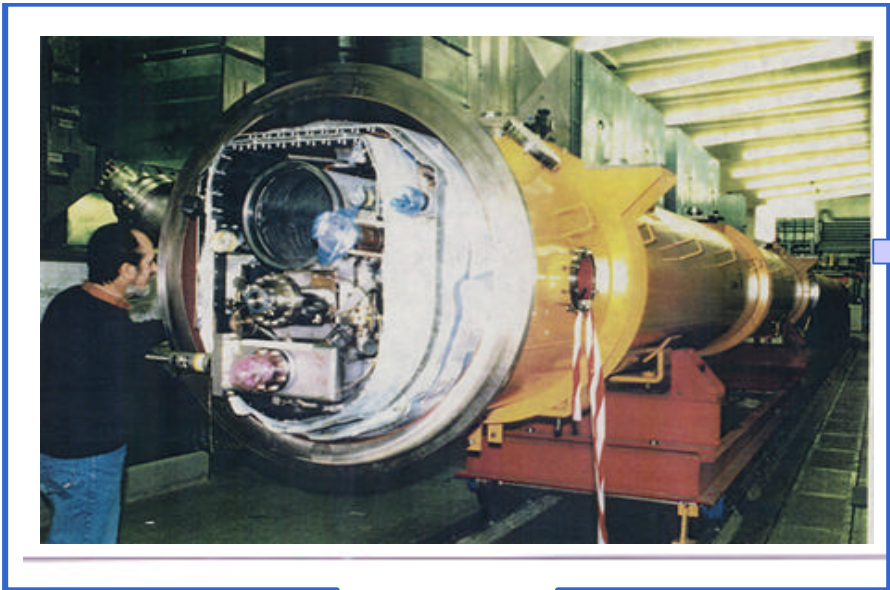


# Operating SRF cavities

- Cryostats
- RF Couplers
- Piezoelectric tuner
- Low-level RF control
- Real world example (if the internet does work...)







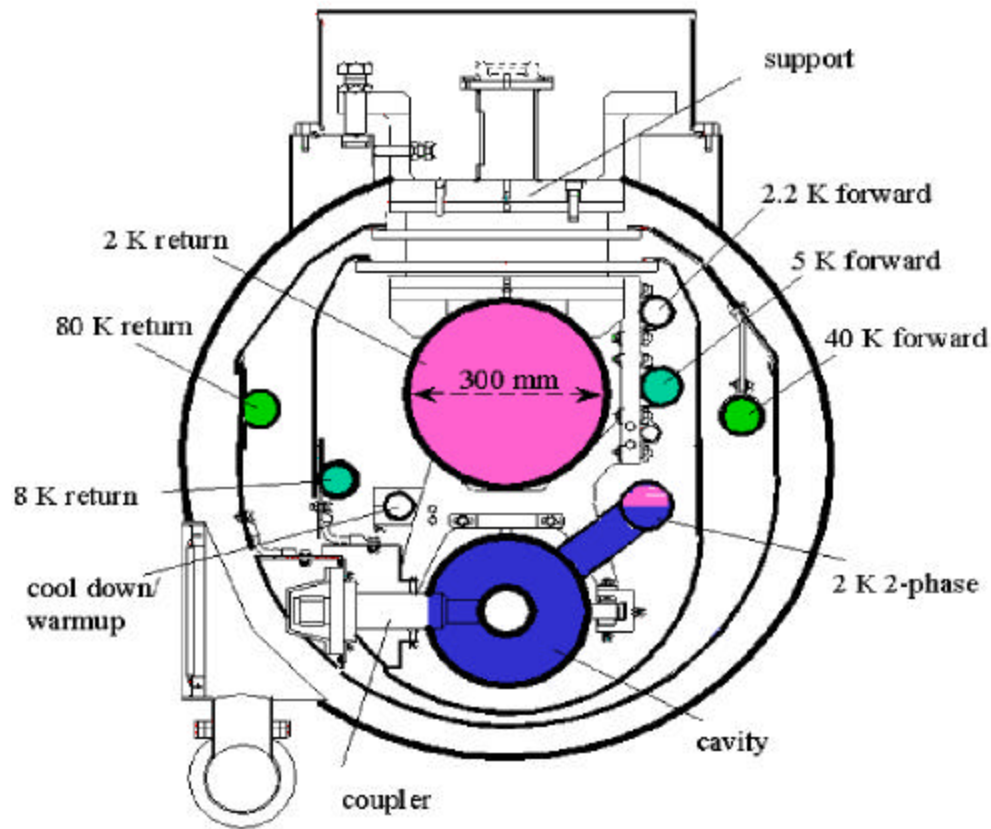
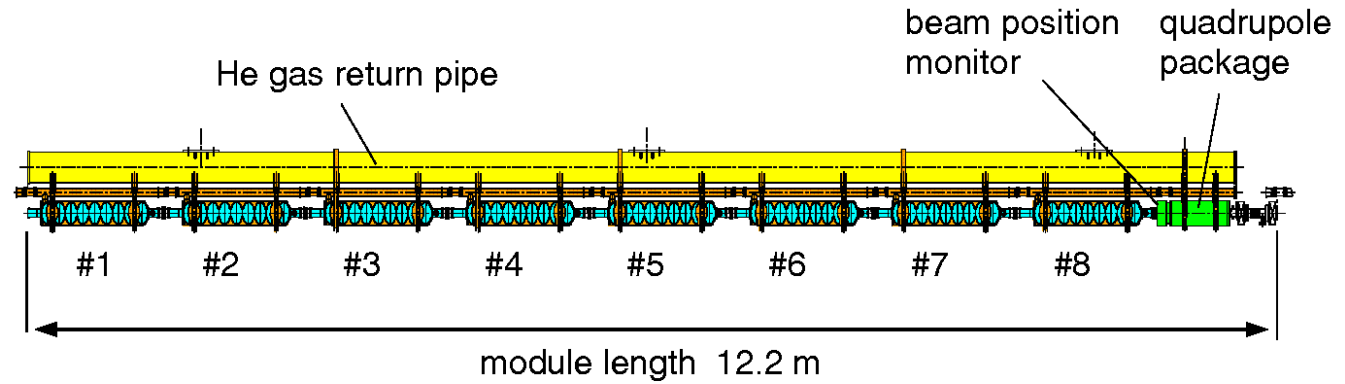
# Cryogenic system

- 2 K operation
- Liquid superfluid Helium



# Accelerator Module for TESLA

Length increases to ~17 m



# Operating SRF cavities

- Cryostats
- RF Couplers
- Piezoelectric tuner
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## Specification of the TESLA High Power Coupler

	<b>TTF</b>	<b>TESLA 9-cell / upgrade</b>	<b>TESLA superstructure / upgrade</b>
beam power + control margin (27%)	250 kW	250 kW / 500 kW	555 kW / 1110 kW
repetition rate	10 Hz	5 Hz	5 Hz
coupling	adjustable ( $10^6$ - $10^7$ )	fix ( $3 \cdot 10^6$ )	fix ( $2.5 \cdot 10^6$ )
cavity position during cool down	flexible (15 mm longitudinal)	fix point (1.5 mm longitudinal)	fix point (1.5 mm longitudinal)

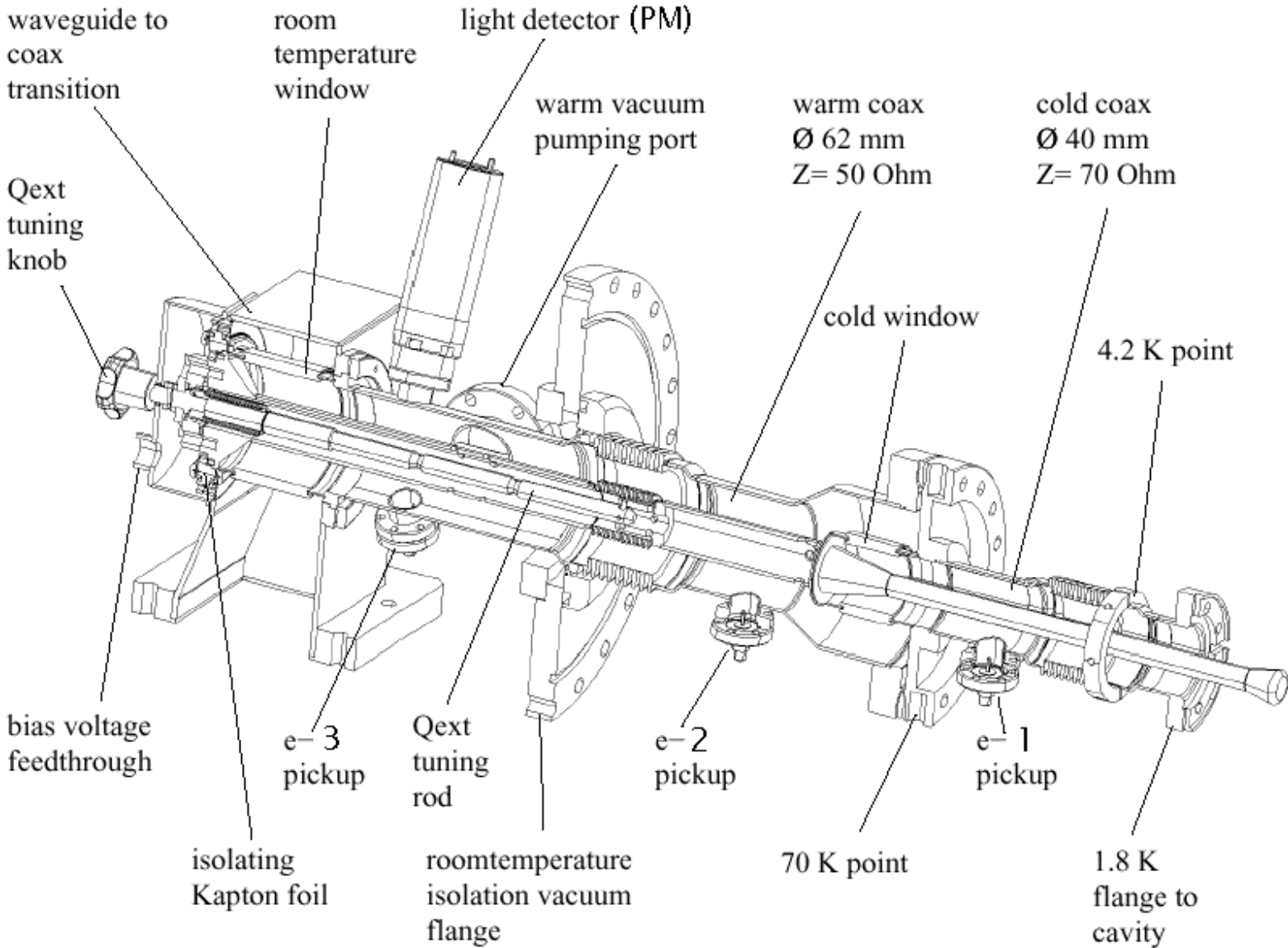
## General Parameters

frequency	1.3 GHz
operation	pulsed: 500 $\mu$ sec risetime, 800 $\mu$ sec flat top with beam
power for High Power Processing in situ	1 MW at reduced pulse length ( 500 $\mu$ sec and repetition rate 1 Hz )
2 K heat load	0.06 W
4 K heat load	0.5 W
70 K heat load	6 W
diagnostic	sufficient for safe operation and monitoring

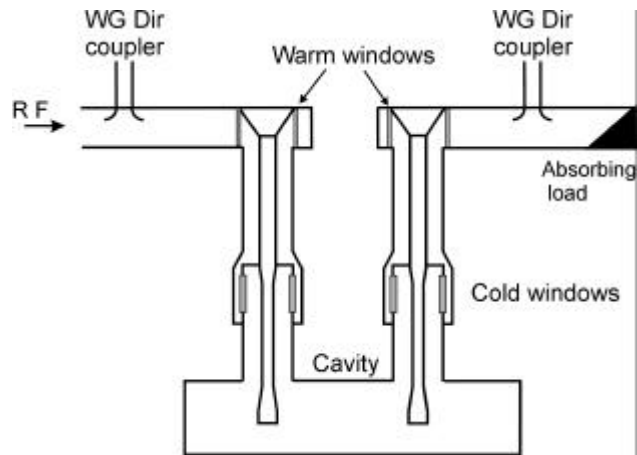
# Requirements of Couplers for SC Cavities

- strong mismatch in absence of beam between cavity and generator
  - > full reflection
- cold warm transition, low heat loads
- it has to be cleaned to the standard of the sc cavity surfaces (usually by dustfree water)
- clean assembly of coupler to the cavity in the class 10 clean room
- protection of the clean cavity surface during assembly to the cryostat
- safety against window failures during operation
- diagnostic

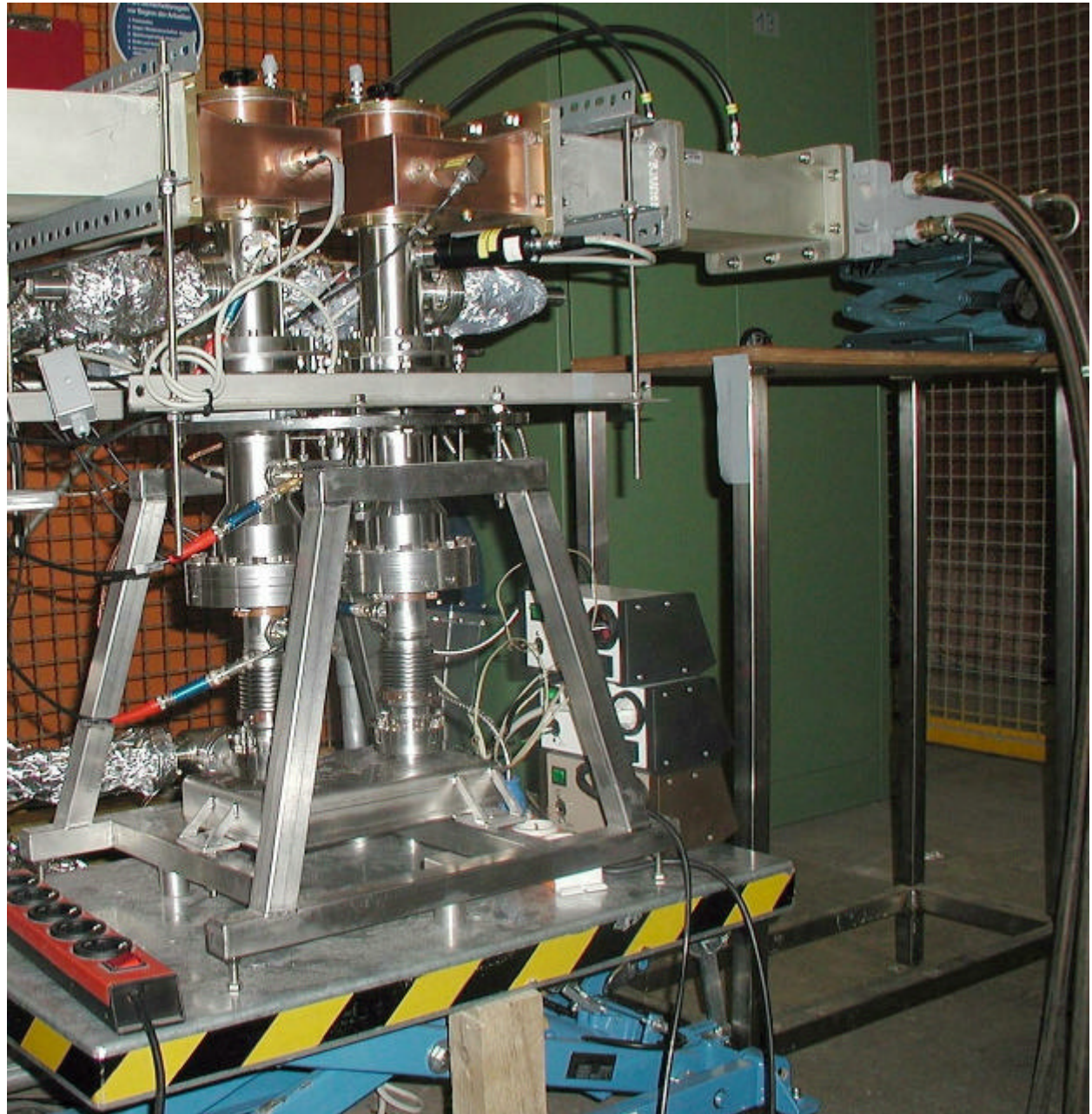
# TESLA Coupler TTF 3



# Teststand

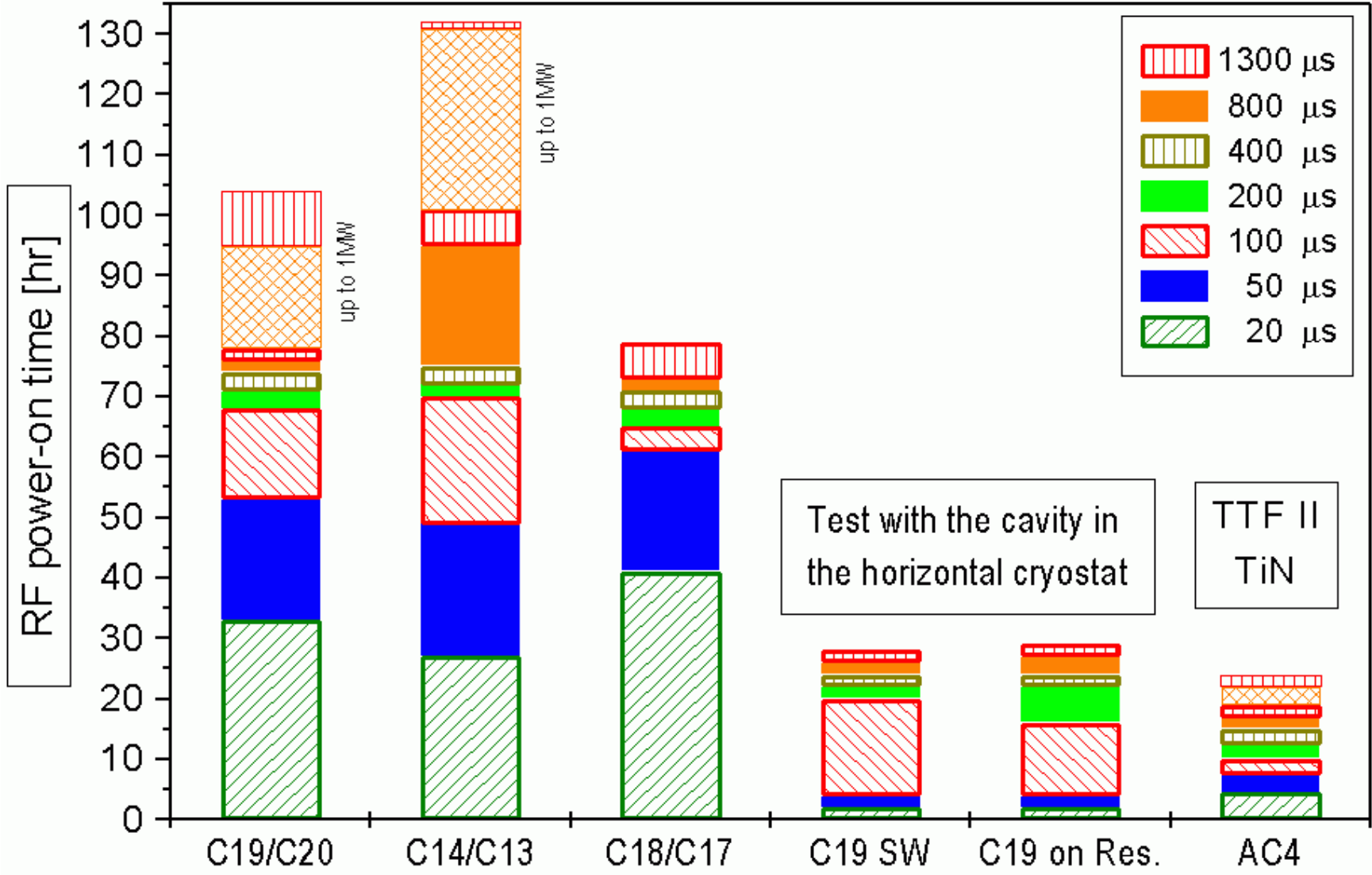


- traveling wave
- room temperature

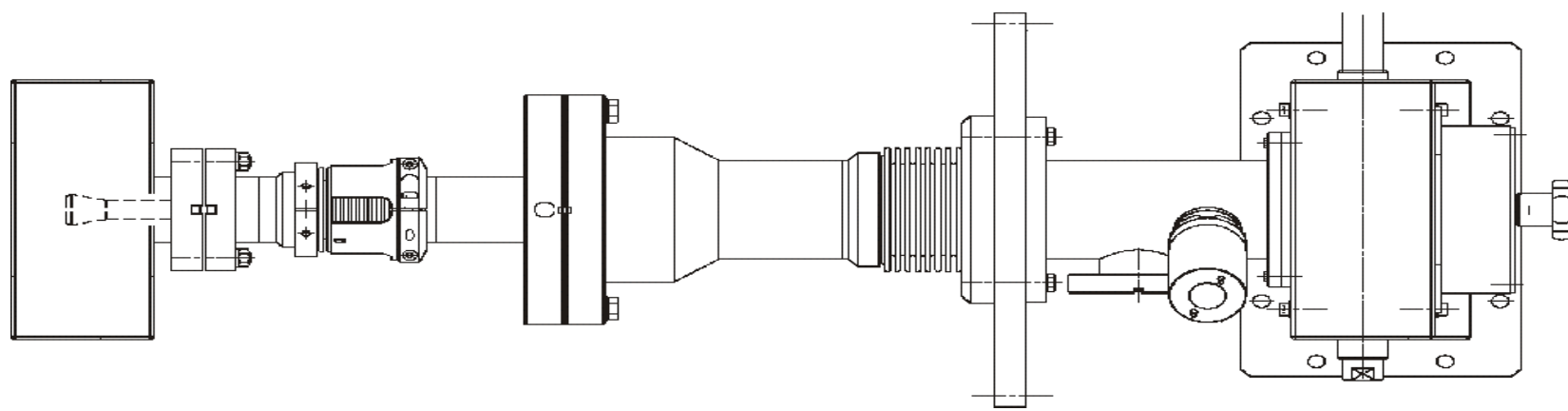
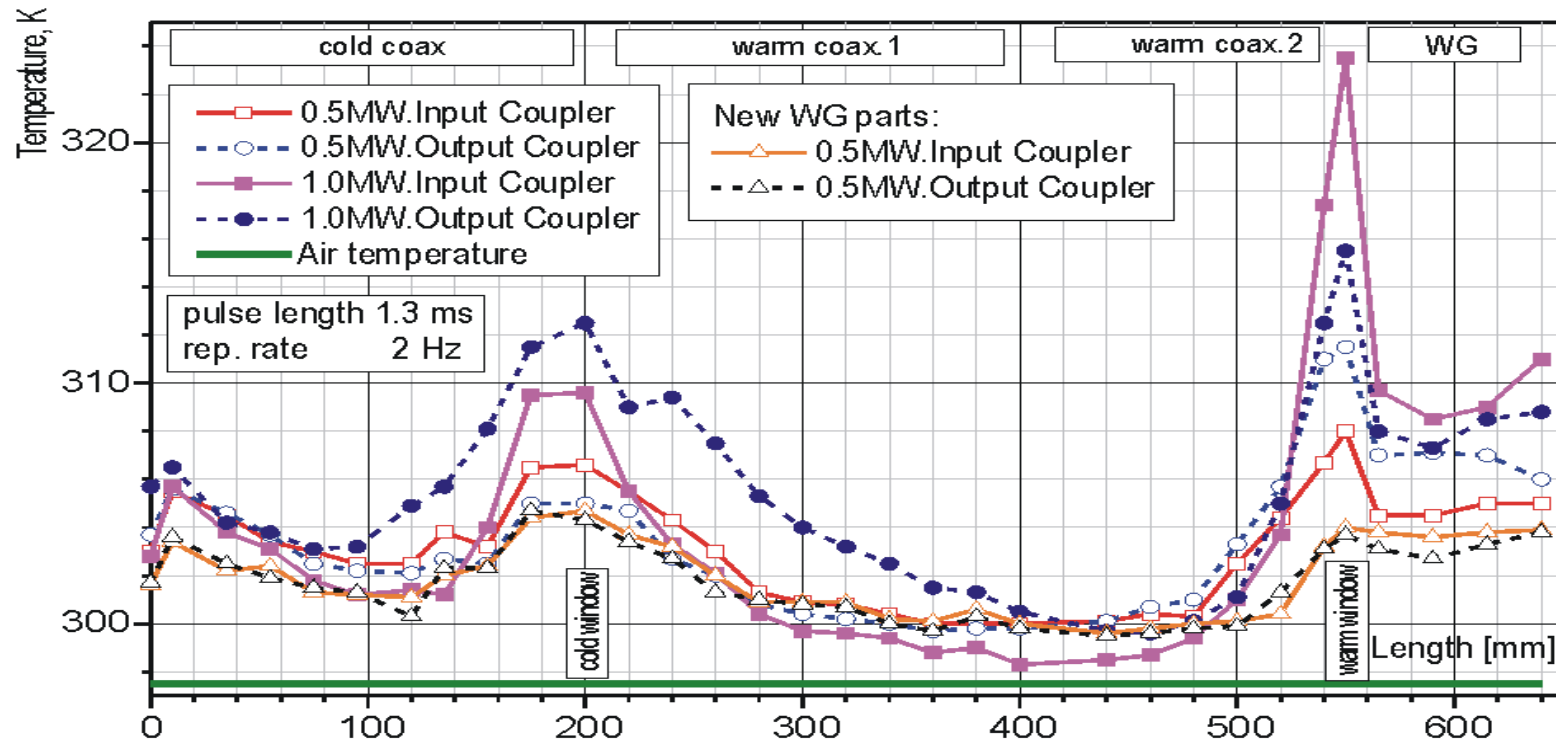




# Duration of Processing



# Temperature Profile at Room Temp.



## Coupler Operation in the TTF Linac

- we have produced 60 couplers of different designs for TTF
- all are tested
  
- 24 couplers are operated in the TTF-FEL up to now for more than 10000 h
- most of the time at about 100 kW (in favor of SASE experiments)
- up to 400 kW during processing of couplers and cavities
- going to higher power levels above 180 kW without additional conditioning  
high  $e^-$  signals were seen at the end of the pulse
- by changing the pulse shape on the end the activity could be suppressed

# Operating SRF cavities

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- RF Couplers
- Pulsed operation
  - Low-level RF control
  - Piezoelectric tuner
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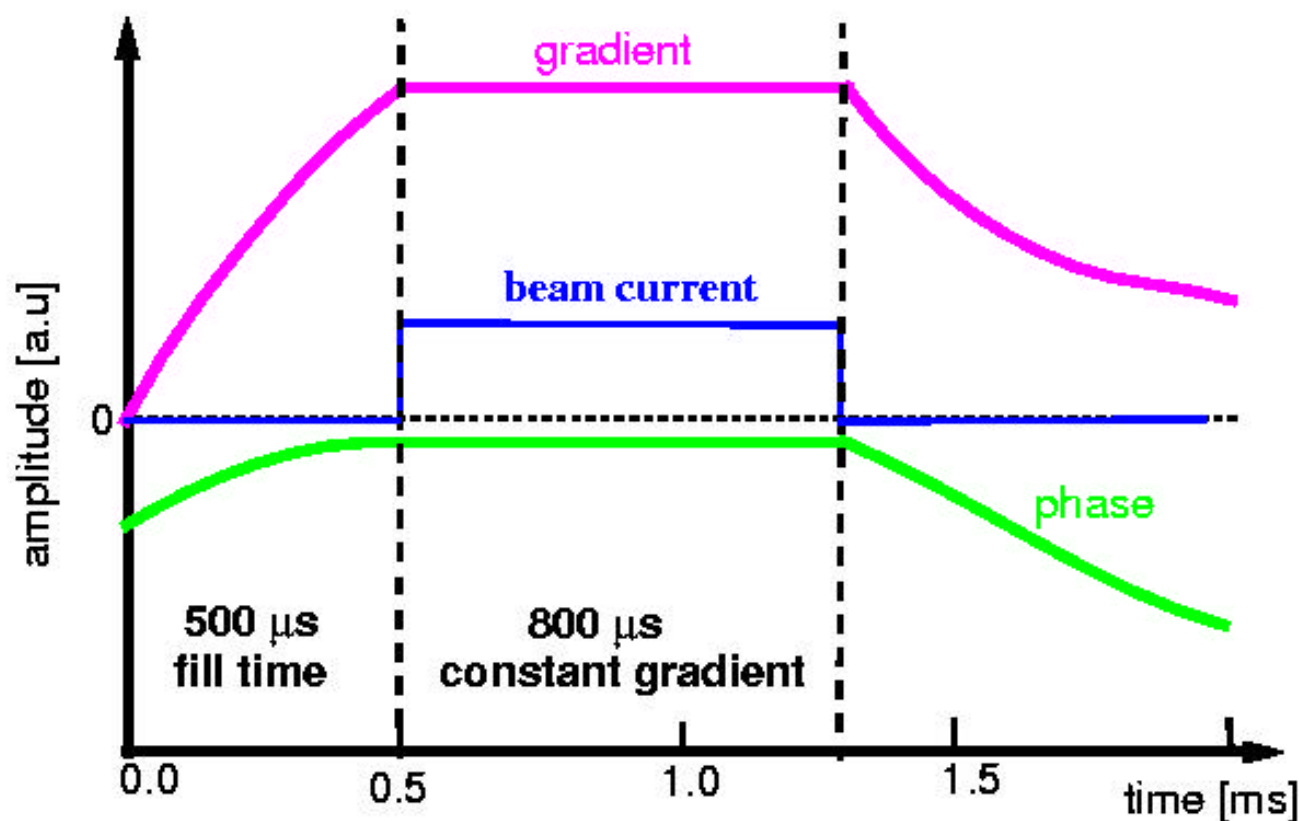
## *Pulsed acceleration at TESLA*

Superconducting cavities at  
high gradients

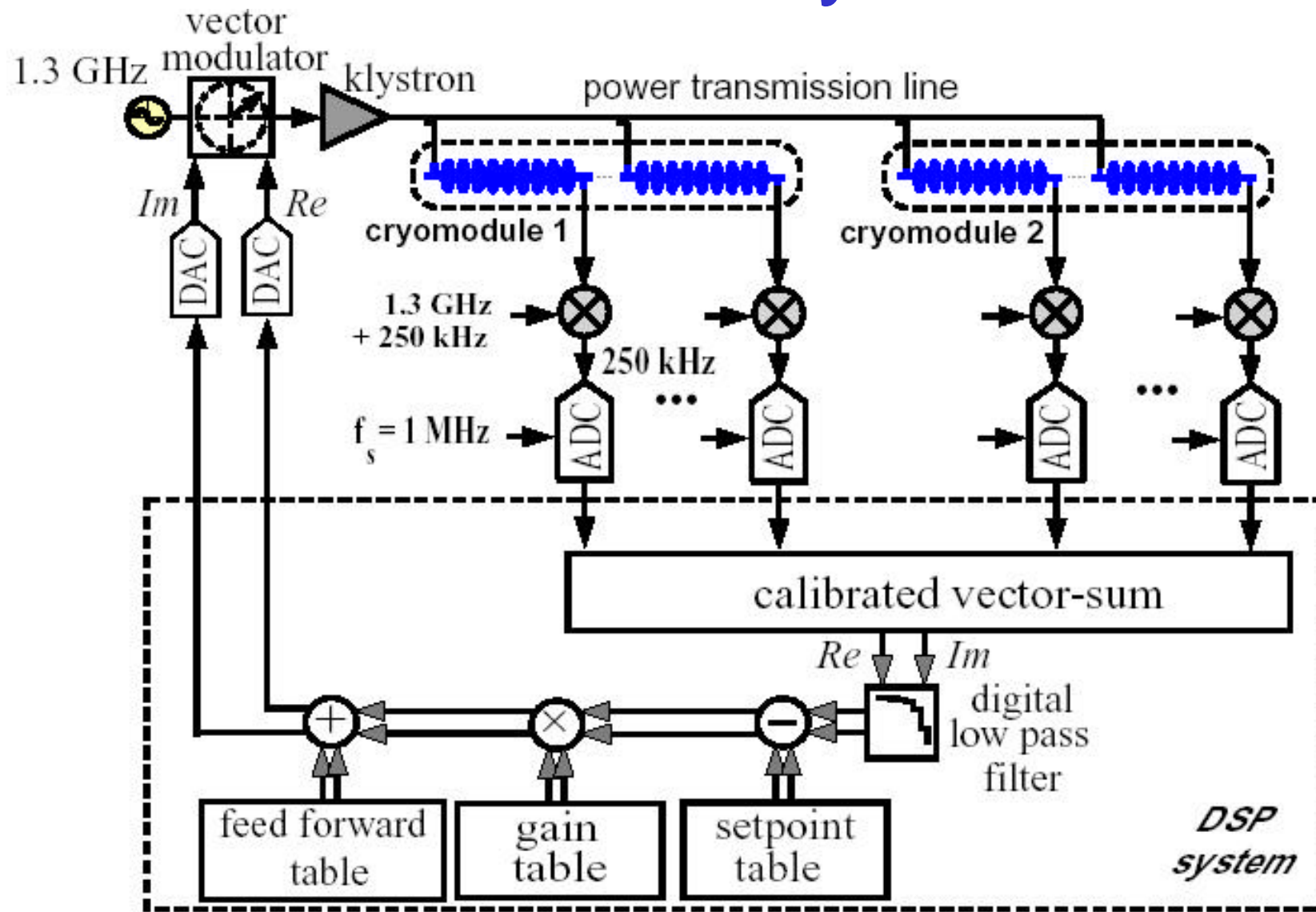


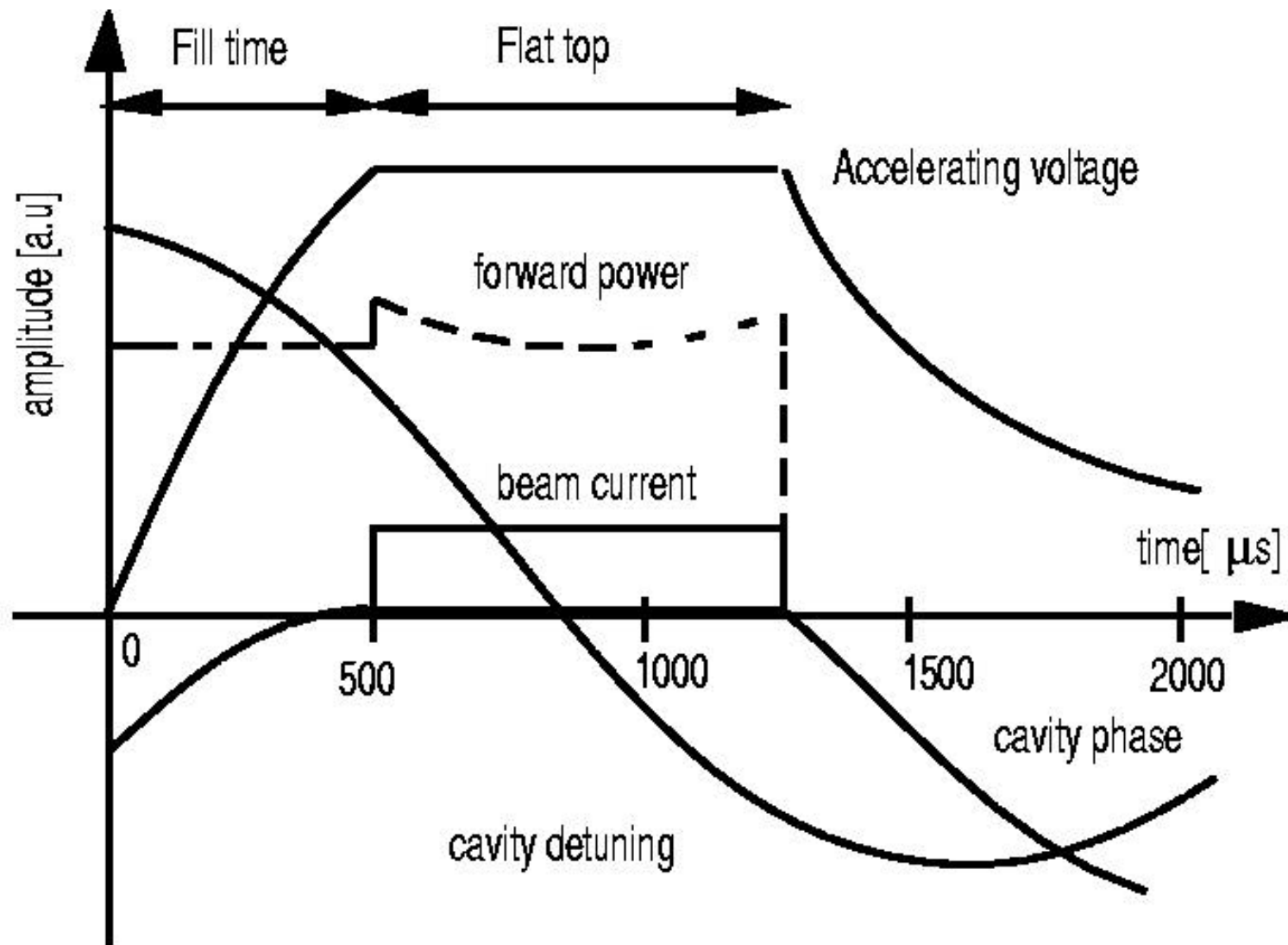
Pulsed operation to reduce  
average cryogenic losses

*Pulsed operation: 500  $\mu$ s fill time + 800  $\mu$ s constant gradient  
10 Hz repetition rate*

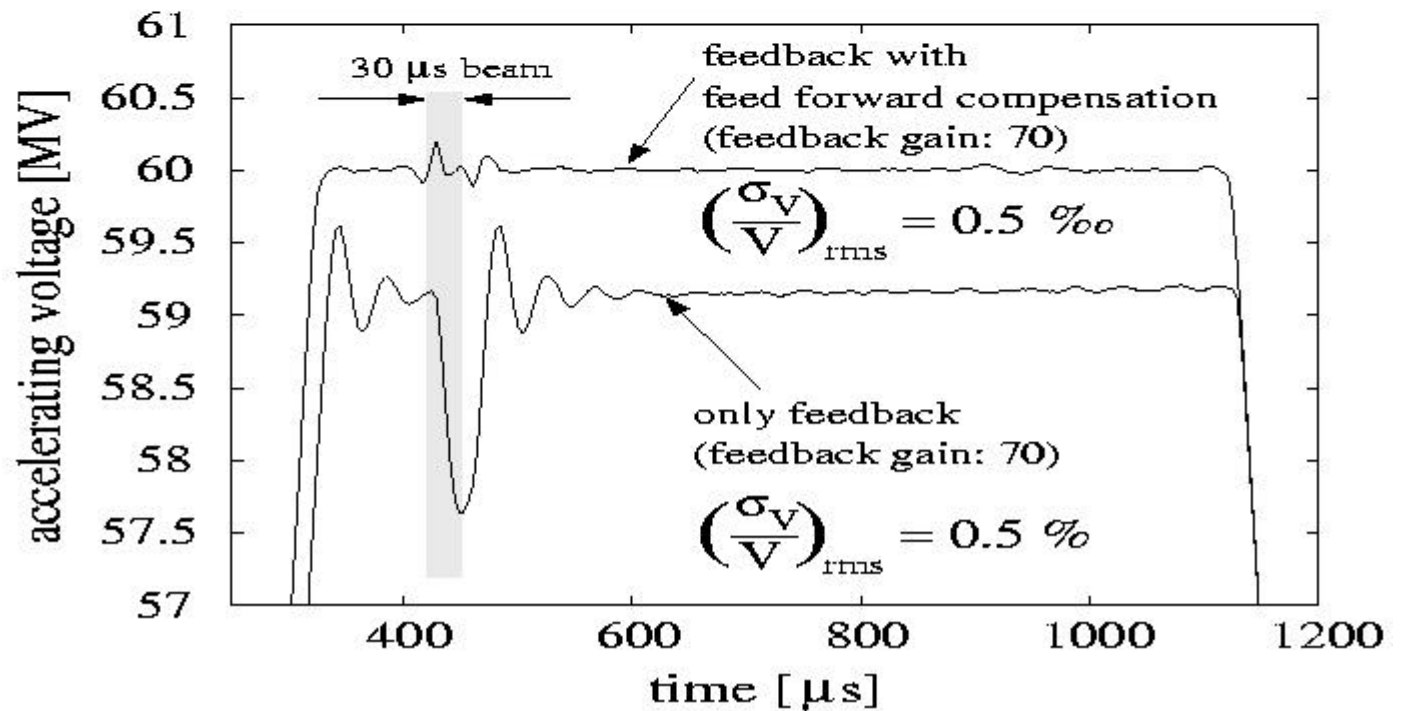
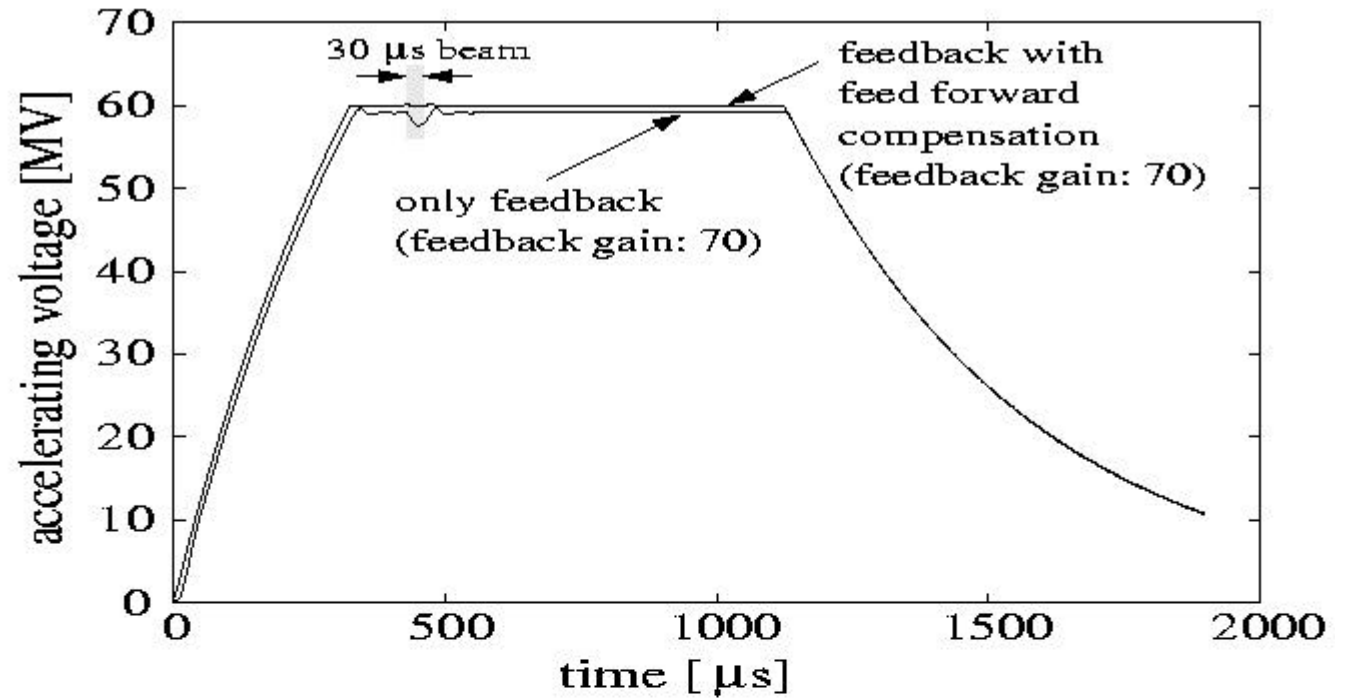


# RF control system



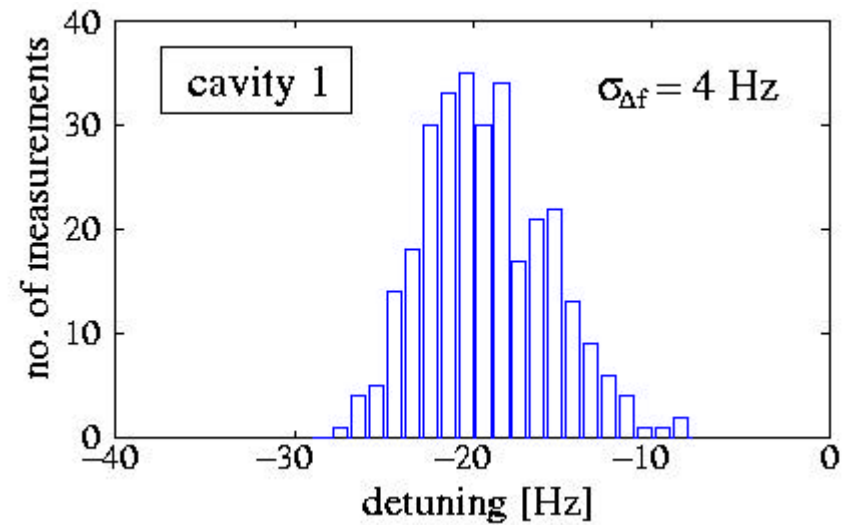
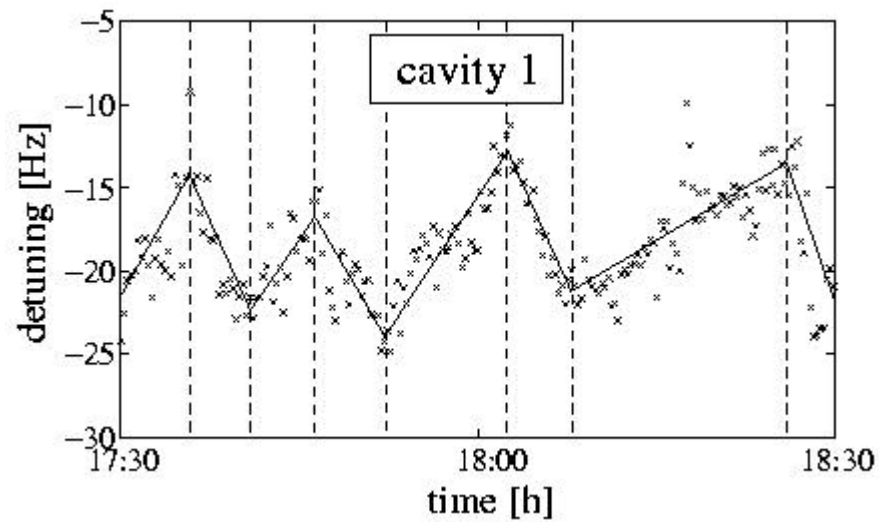


# Beam induced transients – Low level RF control

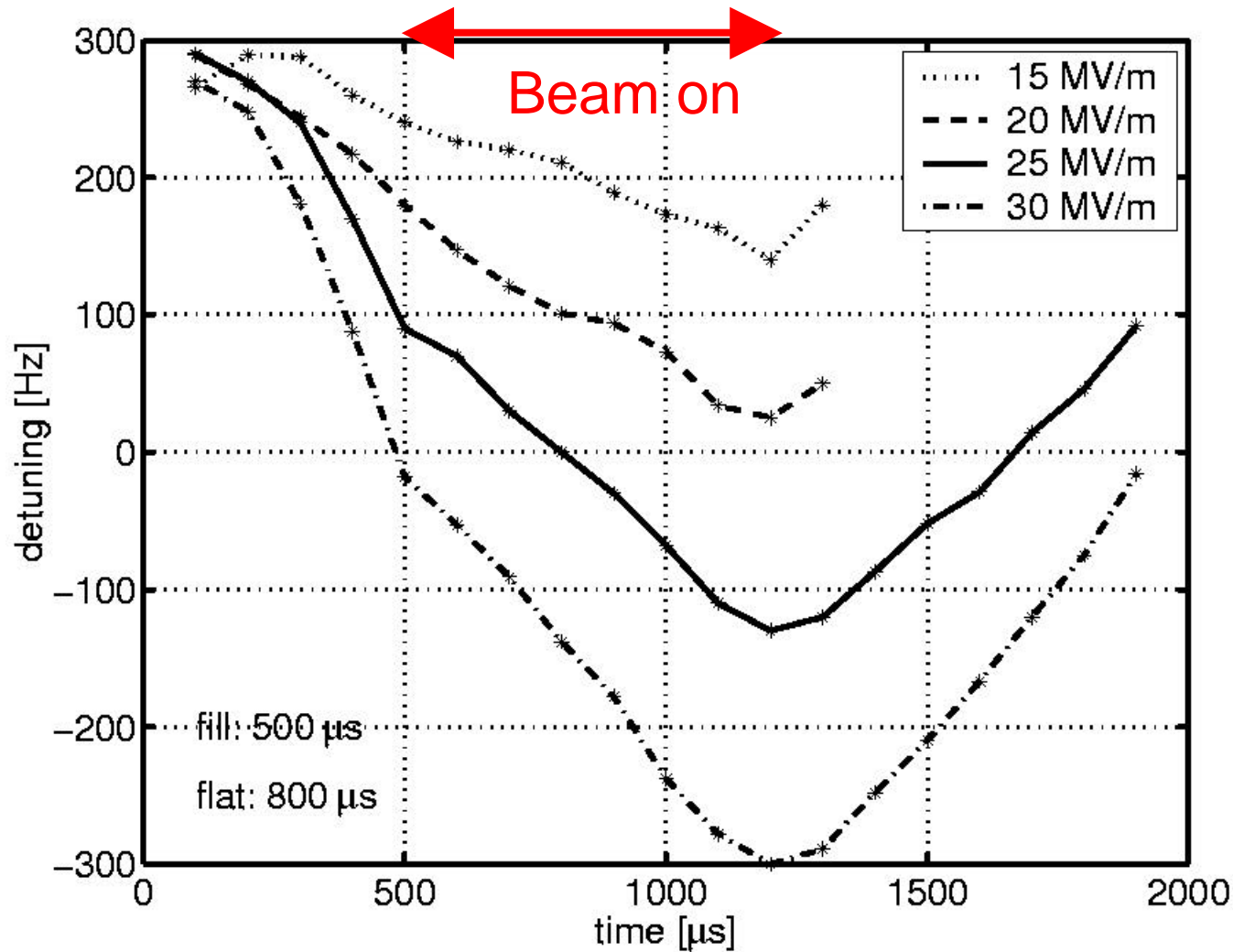




# Microphonics



# Frequency detuning during RF pulse



Frequency detuning due Lorentz forces of the electromagnetic field in the cavities:

$$f = K \cdot E_{\text{acc}}^2$$

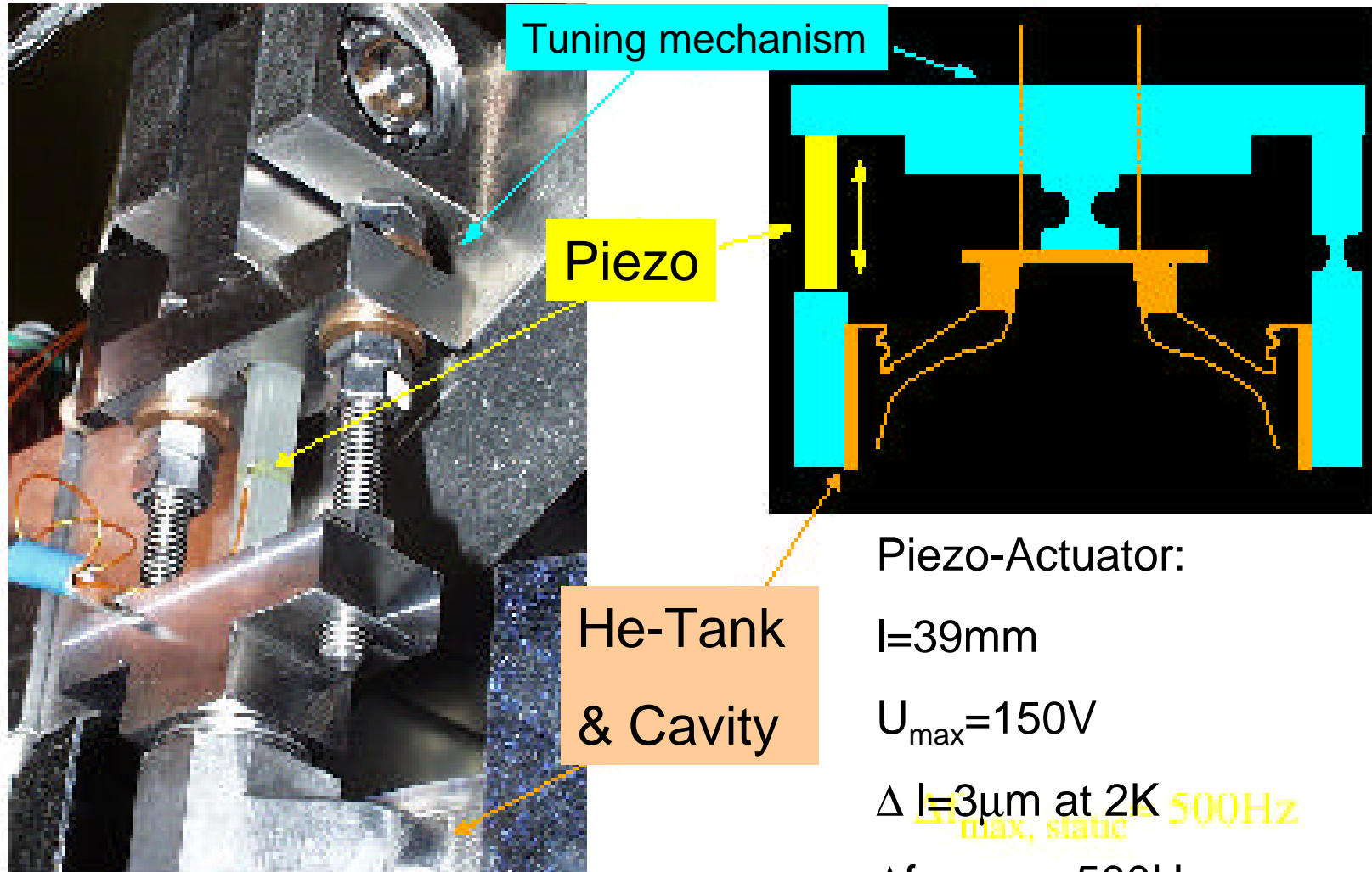
$$K \sim 1 \text{ Hz} / (\text{MV/m})^2$$

Remember:

Cavity bandwidth with main coupler is  $\sim 300 \text{ Hz}$

# Piezoelectric tuner

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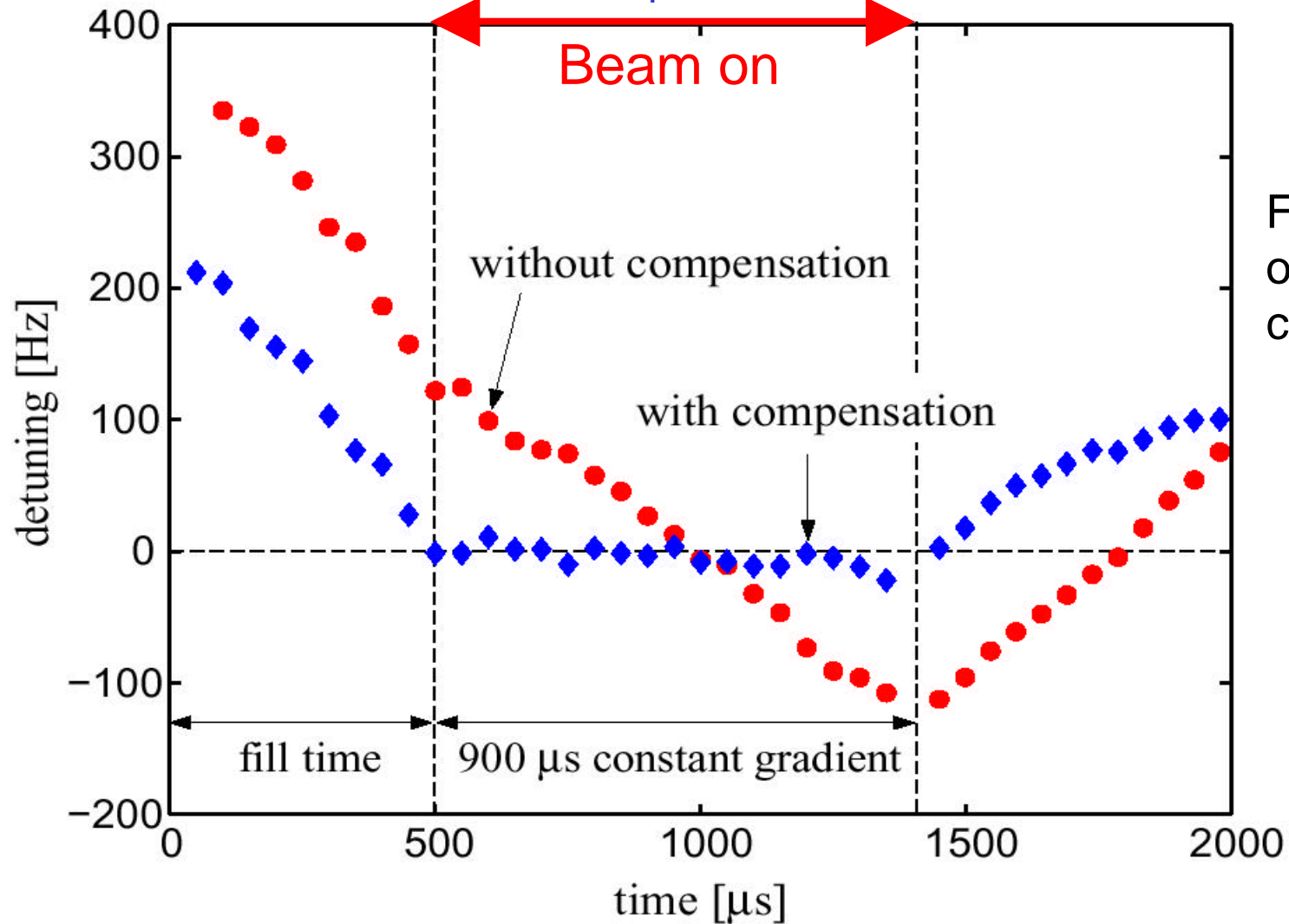
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# Frequency stabilisation during RF pulse using a piezoelectric tuner

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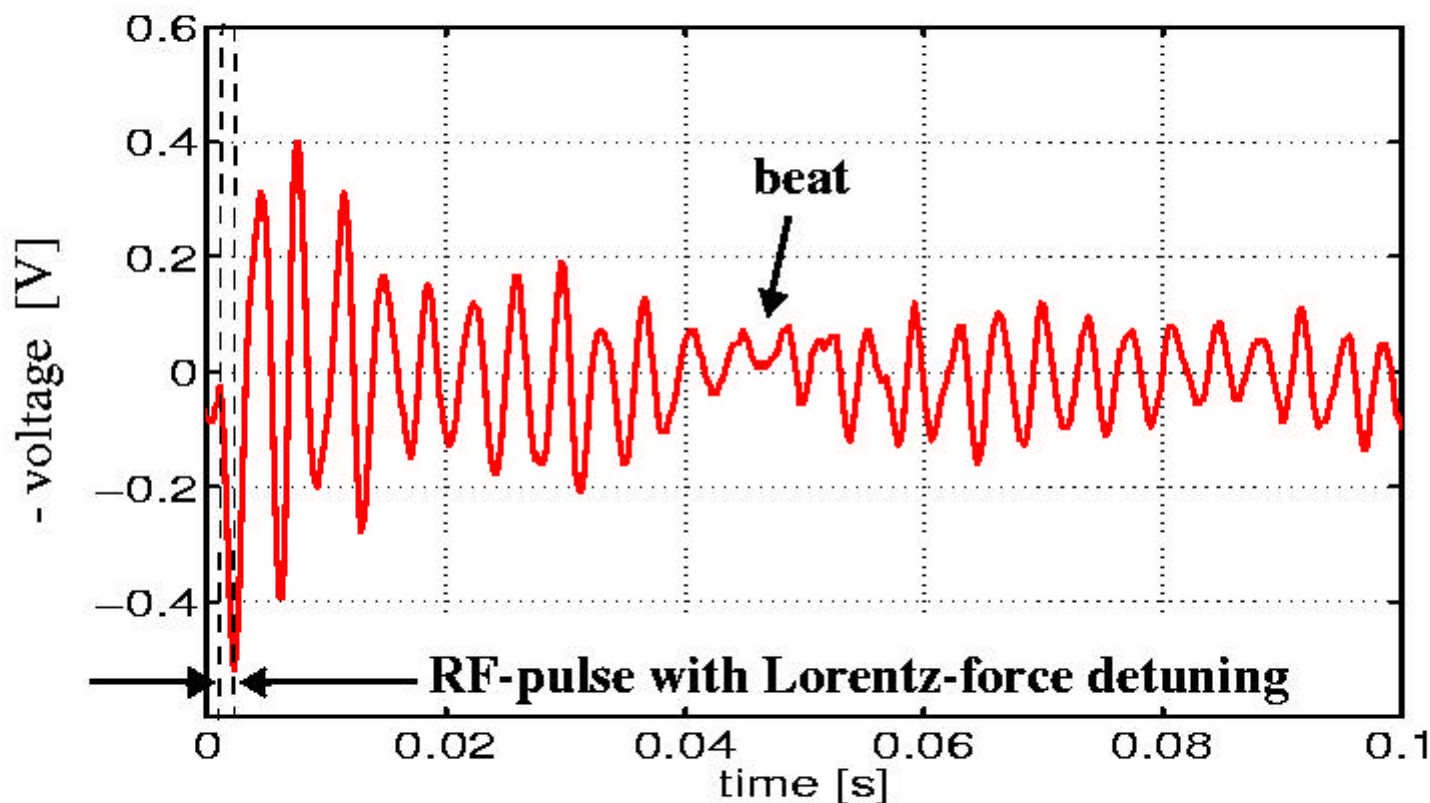


Frequency detuning of 200 - 250 Hz compensated!

## The piezo as sensor

mechanical oscillations  $\Rightarrow$  *measure piezo-voltage*

- TESLA 9-cell Cavity at 30 MV/m with 10 Hz repetition rate



**The cavity oscillates between the RF-pulses.**

# Thanks for your attention!

