

State of the Art of Multicell Superconducting Cavities and Perspectives*

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Topics

- **Some SRF basics**
- **Cavity Design Considerations**
- **Technology Improvements**
- **Experimental Results**

Applications

SRF Technology is becoming increasingly attractive to accelerator labs for new projects or plans. This is because of a maturing of the technology.

- **SCA, Tristan, LEP, HERA, CEBAF**
- **Colliders: TESLA, muon-collider**
- **B – factories (Cornell, KEK), Light sources (Taiwan, Canadian)**
- **Proton machines: SNS, ESS, JAERI/KEK Joint Project, Trasco, ASH, LANL(AAA)**
- **ERL's, FEL's**
- **Heavy Ion Accelerators, RIA**



Why SRF?

- CW operation or long pulse operation because of low losses
- Better beam quality: energy stability, energy spread, emittance
- Higher availability because of reserve capabilities of the cavities
- Upgrade potential as technology improves

For application in proton linacs such as SNS:

- UHV from cryo-system creates less beam-gas scattering
- Large aperture of sc cavities reduces linac component activation due to beam loss



Accelerating Cavity

- Typical accelerating cavity is excited in TM_{010} mode
- Longitudinal E –fields have a phase shift of 180° between adjacent irises; a particle with $\beta = 1$ will experience the maximum acceleration in each cell

- Q – value

$$Q_o = W / (P_{cav} / \omega)$$

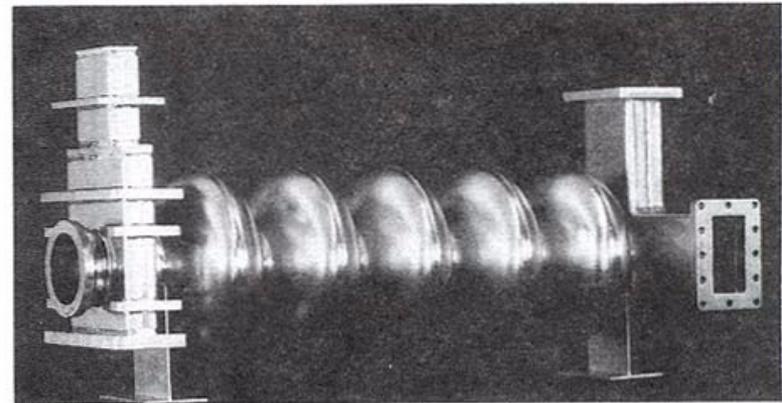
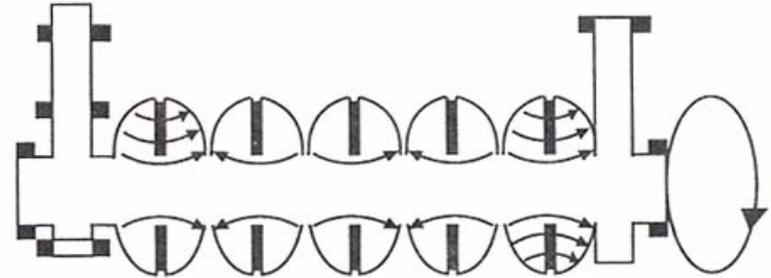
W = Stored Energy, P_{cav} = dissipated power in cavity walls

$$Q_o = G / R$$

R = Surface Resistance, G = Geometry factor
 $\sim 270 \Omega$

- Accelerating gradient

$$E_{acc} = k (PQ_o)^{1/2}$$



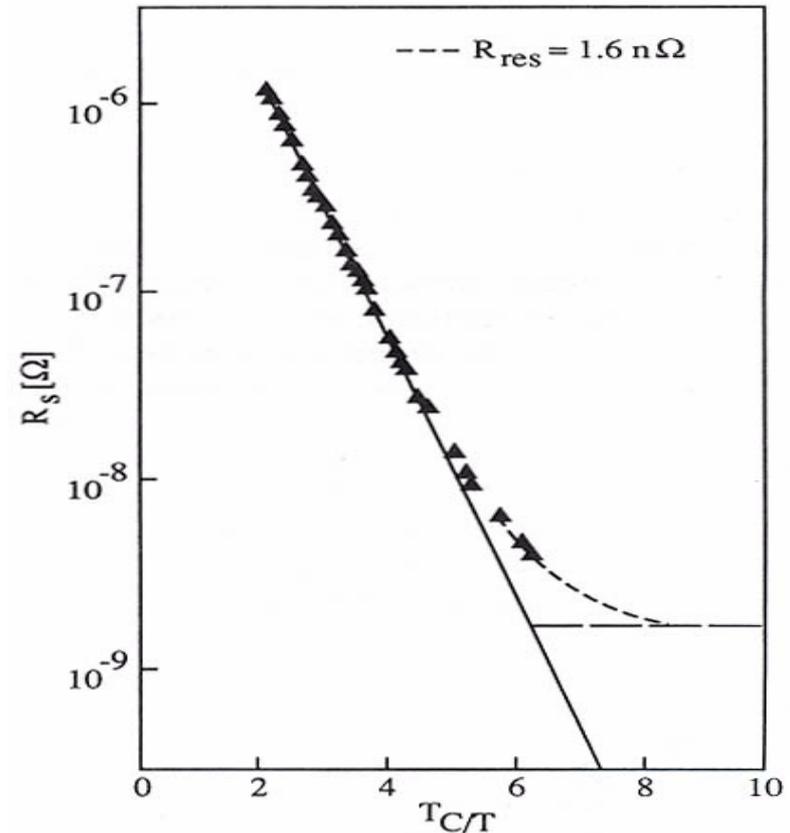
T – Dependence of Surface Resistance

- In the superconducting state an external magnetic field penetrates only a distance of λ (f, T, l) into the material: $\sim 600 \text{ \AA}$ at $T < 0.9 T_C$ ($T_C = 9.25\text{K}$ for Nb)
- Losses described by a surface resistance take place in a very thin surface layer
- BCS theory

$$R_{\text{BCS}} \sim (\omega^2/T) \exp(-[(\Delta/kT_C)(T/T_C)])$$

- In reality there is a residual resistance

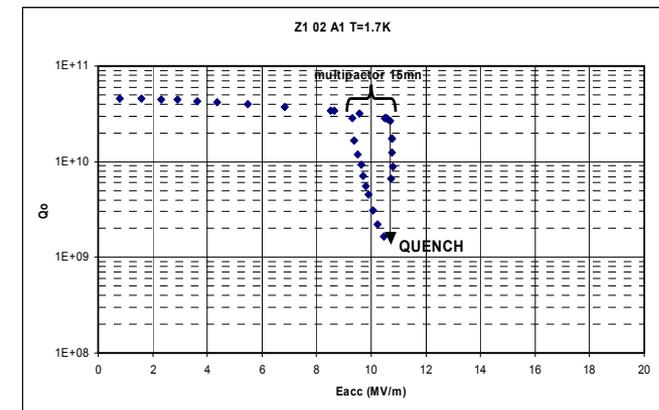
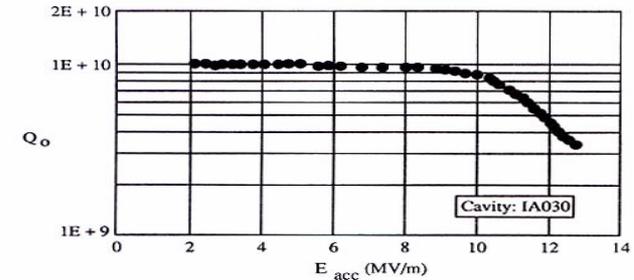
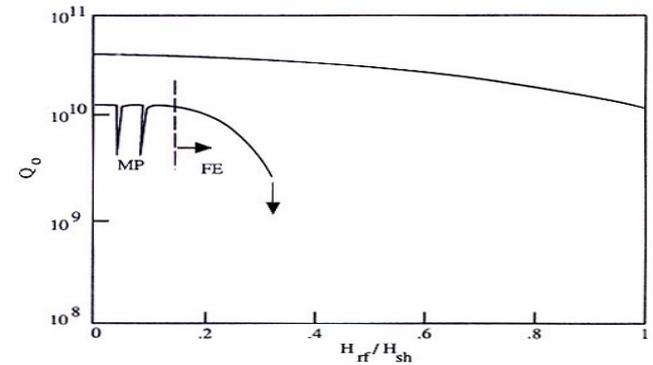
$$R(T) = R_{\text{BCS}} + R_{\text{RES}}$$



Deviations

- Observed Q-value lower due to **Residual Surface Resistance** caused by anomalous losses and defects
- **Resonant Electron Loading** (“Multipacting”) causes Q-drops and barriers
- Exponential decrease of Q-value at higher gradients due to **Non-Resonant Electron Loading** (Field Emission) caused by contamination
- “Quench” field levels are below H_{SH}

$$0.1 H_{SH} < H_{RF} < 0.5 H_{SH}$$



Residual Resistance

Properties

- Temperature independent
- Proportional to f^2 on the same surface, independent in different cavities
- localized or “patchy”
- Varies widely with surface preparation
- as low as 1 nΩ, typically
$$5 \text{ n}\Omega < R_{\text{res}} < 30 \text{ n}\Omega$$
- Lower after heat treatment in UHV at $T > 800 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Contributions

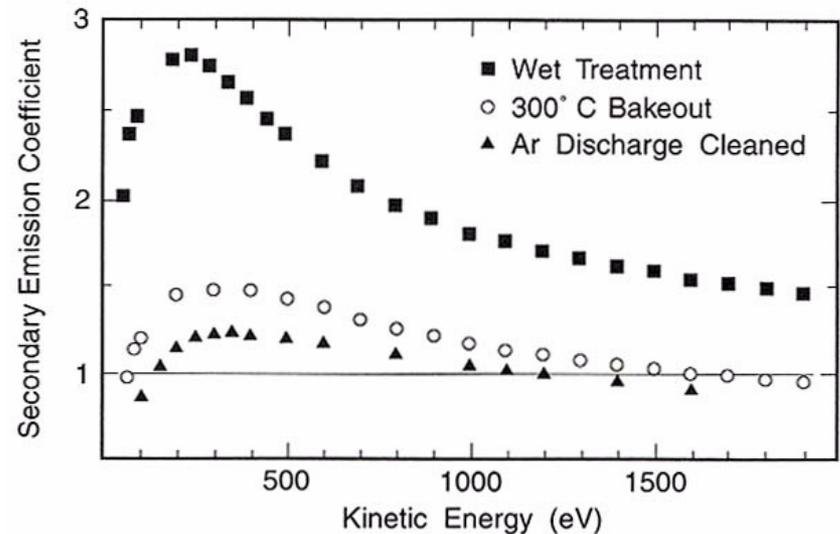
- Dielectric losses such as gases, chemicals, adsorbates, dust
- Normal conducting defects (e.g., foreign material inclusions)
- Surface imperfections such as cracks, scratches, delaminations
- frozen-in magnetic flux from ambient fields: $\sim 0.3 \text{ n}\Omega/\text{mG}$
- Hydride precipitation (“Q-disease”)
- Large density of localized electron states exists in highly disordered metal-oxide interface: can lead to absorption of photons



Multipacting (1)

- Multipacting is a high vacuum avalanche effect initiated by emission of secondary electrons in response to impinging primary electrons
- Certain conditions have to be satisfied to generate multipacting:
 - ❖ An electron emitted from a cavity wall is under the influence of the EM fields returning to its origin within an integer number of half an rf cycles
 - ❖ The impacting electrons produce more than one electron, if the impact energy is high enough

- For niobium this is the case for $50 \text{ eV} < E_{\text{imp}} < 2000 \text{ eV}$
- The SEE is very sensitive to surface conditions

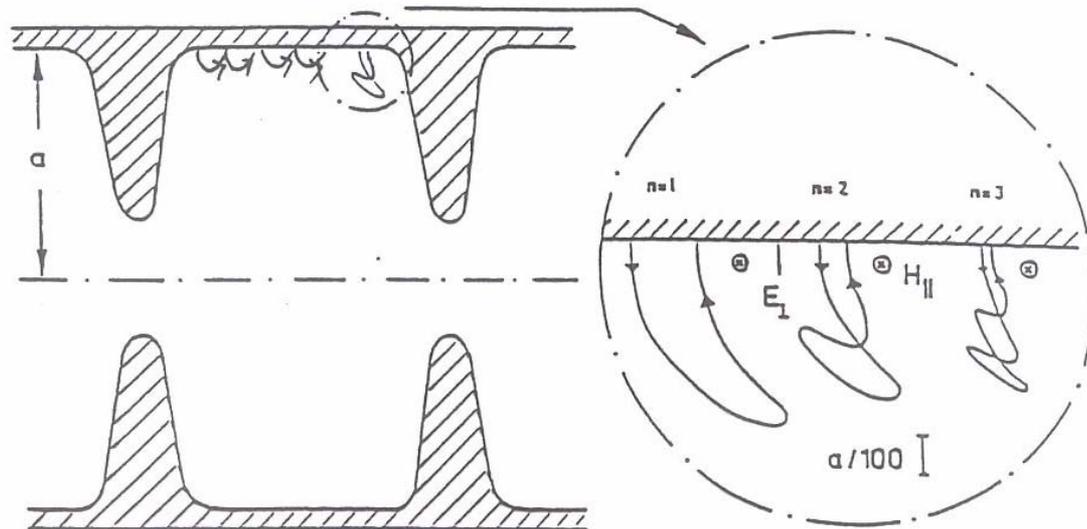


Multipacting (2)

One-point Multipacting

Typical cylindrical symmetric accelerating cavity

- small $E_{\text{perpendicular}}$
- Gradient in $E_{\text{perpendicular}}$
- uniform H_{par}



Multipacting (3)

Suppression of Multipacting by geometrical changes in the cavity shape to spherical or elliptical cross sections:

- larger E_{perp} at outer wall
- larger excursions of electrons into cavity volume
- electrons step out of phase with rf and gain less energy
- E_{imp} is too small for $\text{SEE} > 1$

Multipacting presents today no serious problems anymore; however, carelessness in degree of surface contamination is dangerous



Field Emission (1)

Observations

- Field Emission is coming from point-like sources
- FE current can be described by a modified Fowler-Nordheim equation

$$I = A \times S \times (\beta E)^{2.5} \times 1/\Phi \times \exp -\{(\beta \times \Phi^{1.5})/ (\beta E)\}$$

$$2500 < \beta E < 15000 \qquad 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^2 < S < 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^2$$

- β is independent of frequency
- Emitter density depends strongly on processing and handling
- FE sensitive to adsorbates, gas exposure, chemical residue, particulate contamination
- FE behavior can be influenced by “processing”: high peak power, helium



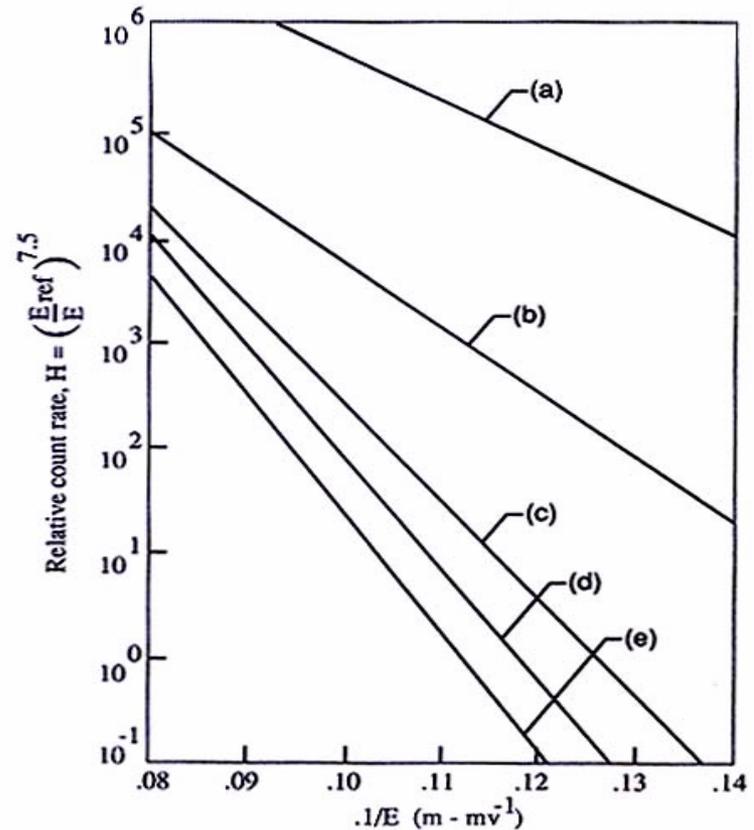
Field Emission (2)

He – processing:

- Cavity is operated with a partial pressure of He inside ($\sim 10^{-4}$ torr) in the FE regime
- Ionized He will bombard the surface and reduce field emission current

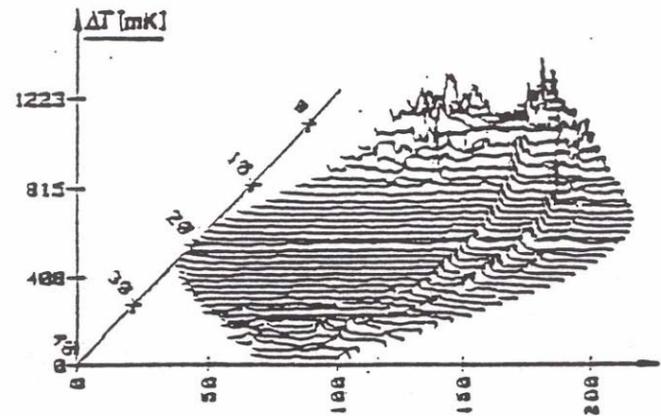
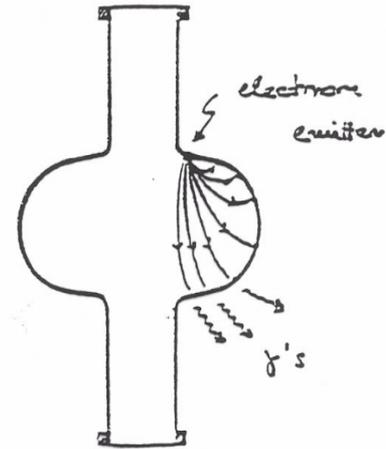
Fowler-Nordheim Plots

(H.A.Schwettman et al., JAP 45,914 (1974))



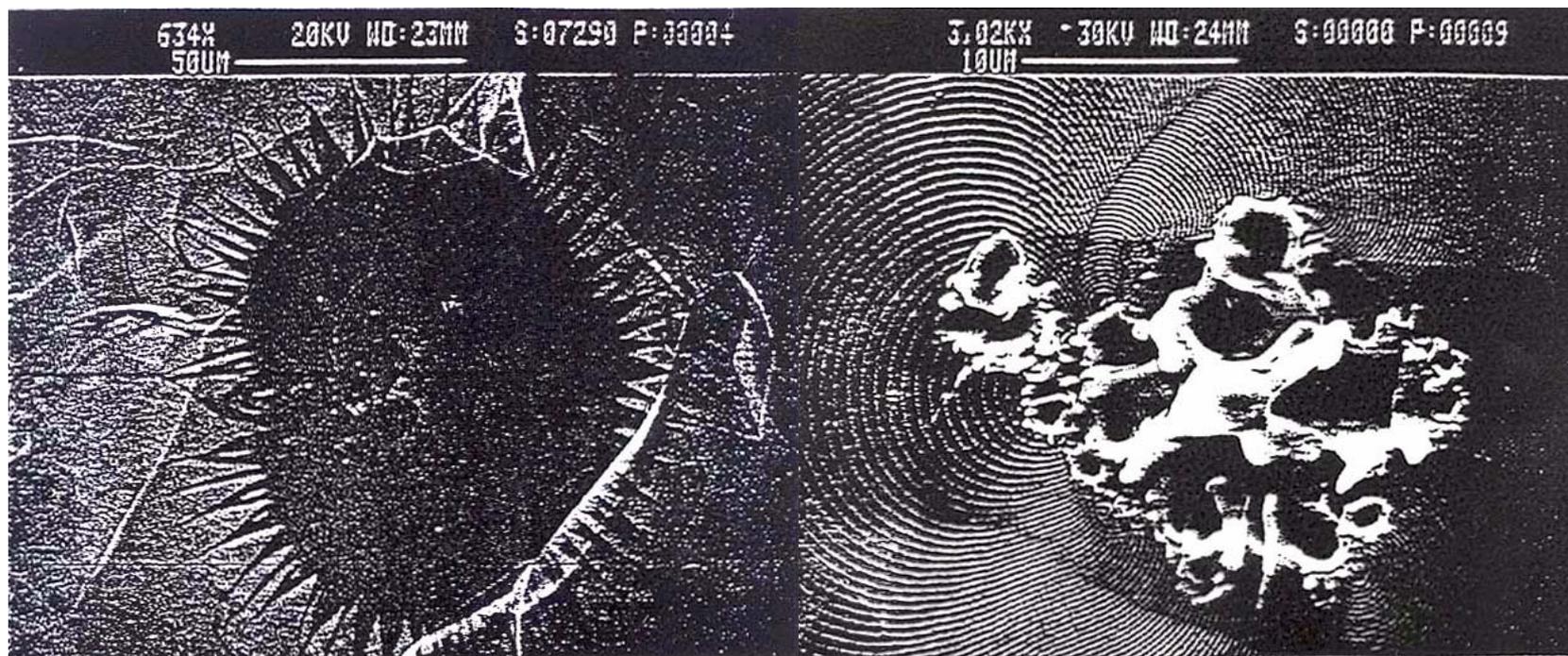
Field Emission (3)

Temperature map of trajectories from a point-like emitter in a 500 MHz single cell cavity tested at CERN



Field Emission (4)

Pictures taken at Cornell University



Defects/“Quench” (1)

- Thermal instabilities occur at localized “defects” with higher resistance than their surroundings:
 - ❖ chemical residue, debris, dust, areas of weak superconductivity
 - ❖ holes, scratches, weld splatter, delaminations
- Thermal model calculations done at various labs (HEPL, Cornell, CERN, Univ. of Wuppertal) indicate that thermal stabilization is achieved through improvement of the thermal conductivity of the niobium
- The achievable quench field is proportional to

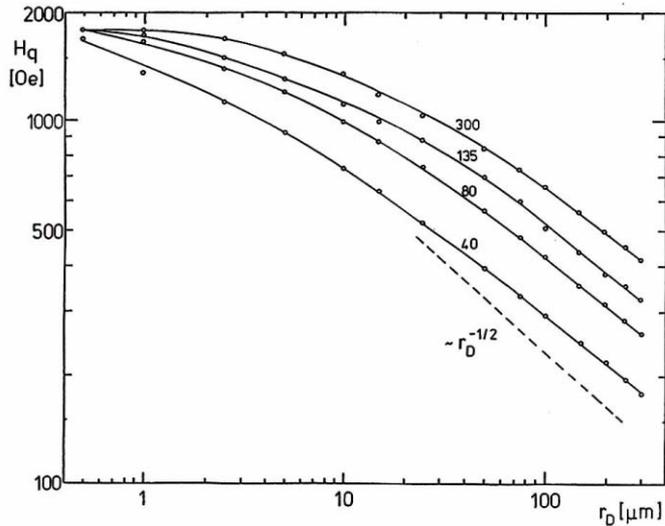
$$H_q \sim \sqrt{\kappa(T) / r_d R_d}$$

$\kappa(T)$ = thermal conductivity, r_d = defect radius, R_d = resistivity of defect

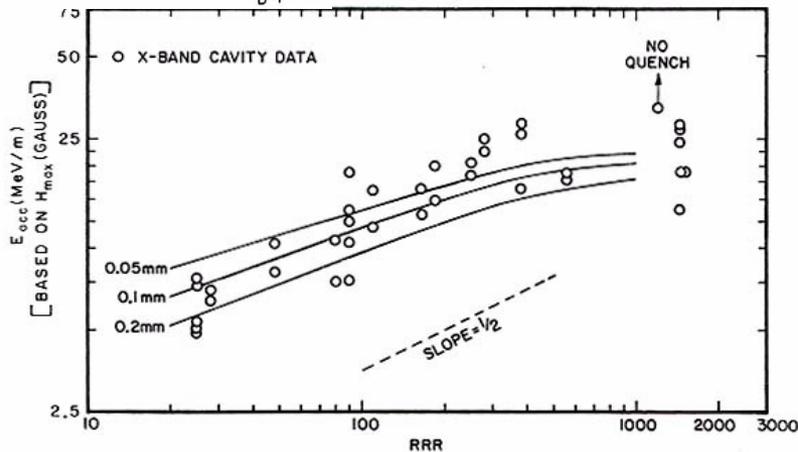
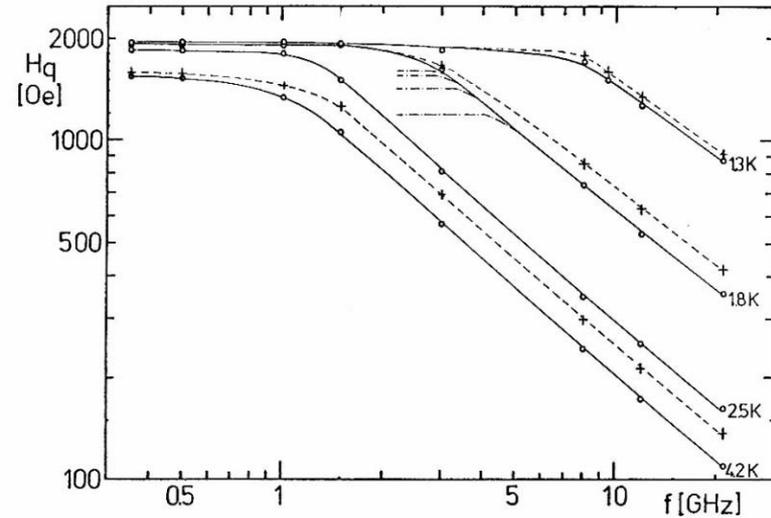


Defects/"Quench" (2)

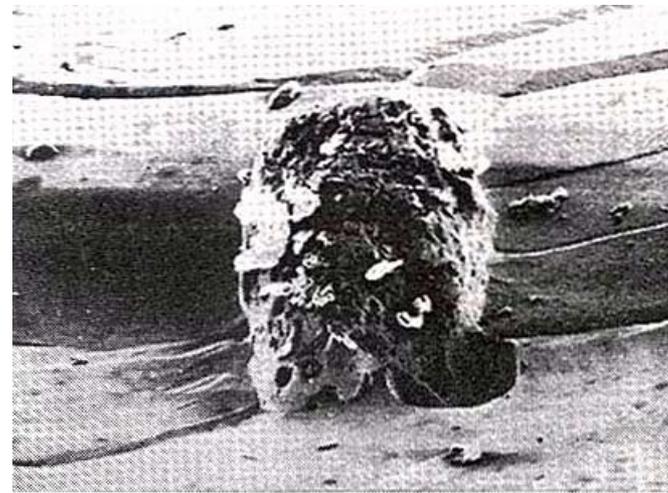
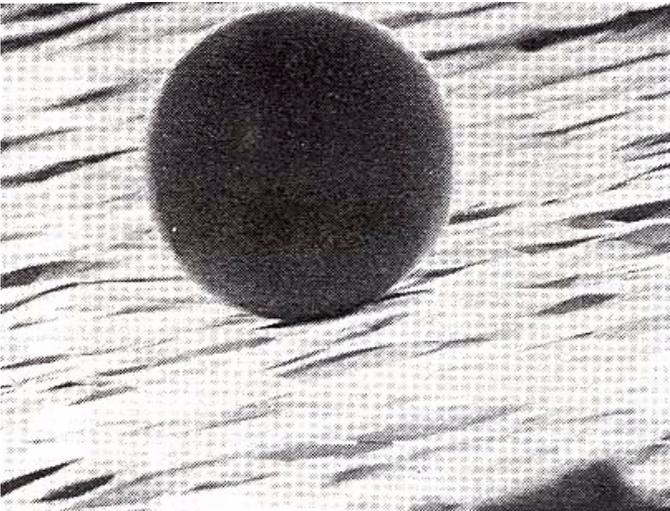
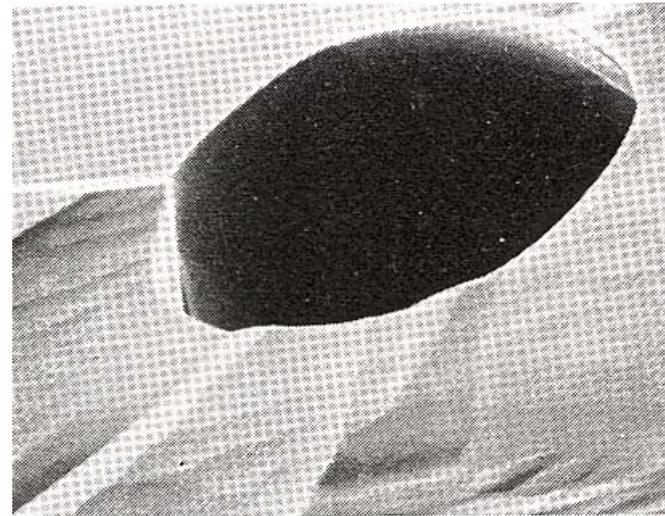
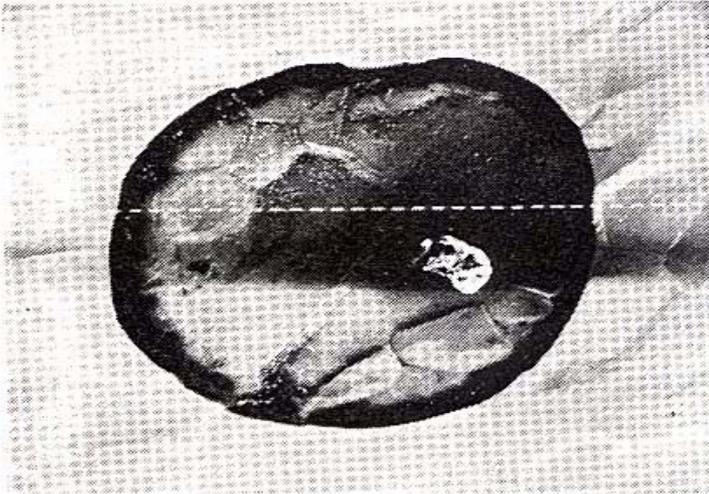
Dependence on defect size
for different RRR values, $f = 3$ GHz



Defect-free case



Defects/"Quench" (3)



References

Good references for SRF technology issues are:

- “RF Superconductivity for Accelerators”
H. Padamsee, J. Knobloch, T. Hays
- Proceedings of the Workshops on RF Superconductivity 1981 to 2001
- Poster Session T 07



Cavity Design Considerations (1)

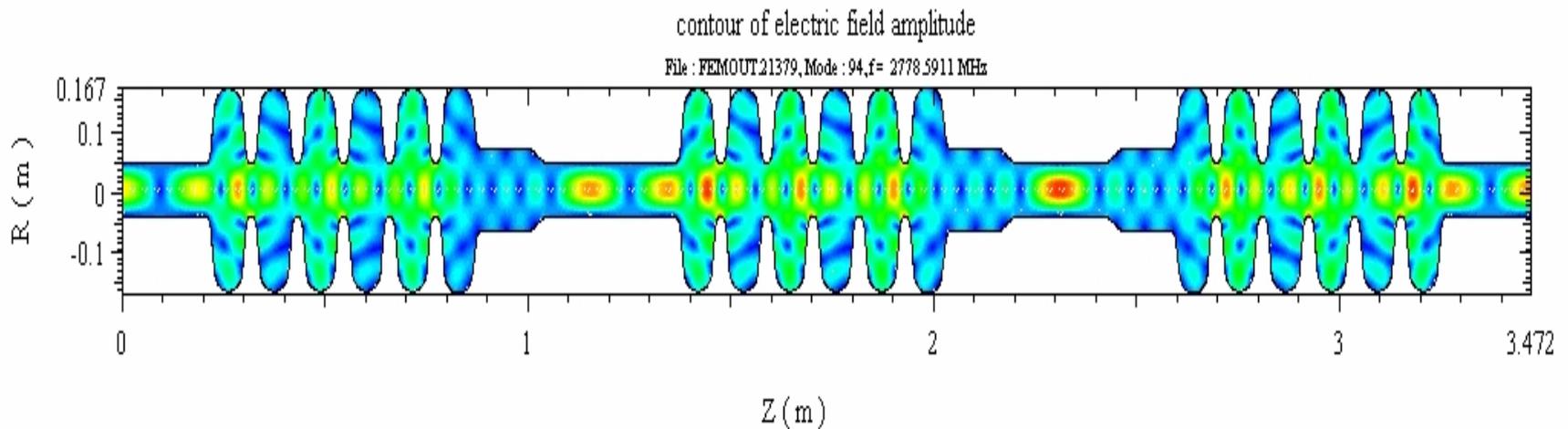
- Electromagnetic Design: Do I want to optimize the cavity for, e.g., high gradient or low losses?
 - Peak Surface Electric Fields (for SNS $E_{\text{peak}} < 27.5$ MV/m)
 - Peak Surface Magnetic Fields (for SNS $H_{\text{peak}} \leq 60$ mT)
 - Shunt Impedance: influences the cavity losses
 - Number of cells N and cell-to-cell coupling factor k:
influences peak fields and sensitivity to mechanical tolerances
 - Inclination of side walls α : influences mechanical rigidity
 - Lorentz force detuning coefficient: determined by rf control system issues, influences choice of material thickness and need for stiffeners

Cavity Design Considerations (2)

- Q_{ext} of Input coupler: is determined by beam dynamics, influences the size of the beam pipe, the location of the ports and the penetration of the center conductor
- Higher Order Mode damping: requirements set by beam stability criteria and shunt impedances of dangerous modes, they determine the location, orientation and number of HOM dampers
- Higher order modes are not always only located in the cavities, but can also exist in connections between cavities: therefore it is crucial to calculate HOM patterns not only in the cavities but also in the whole string for a cryomodule

Cavity Design Considerations (3)

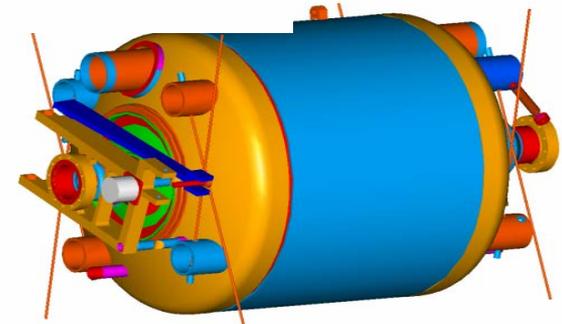
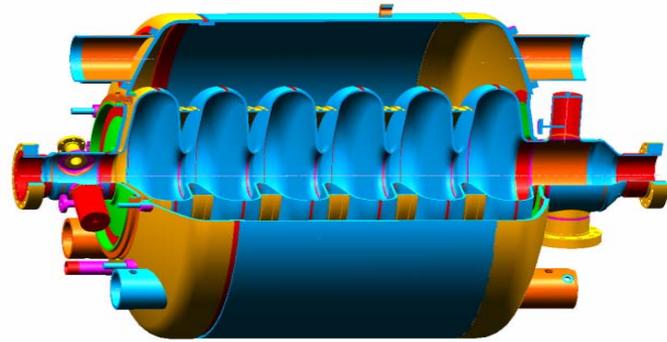
HOM at 2778 MHz in SNS beta = 0.61 Cryomodule (J. Sekutowicz)



Cavity Design Considerations (4)

Cryostat

- Typically the helium vessel is an integral part of the cavity
- The volume is determined by the losses in the cavity at the operating temperature and gradient
- Material (Ti, NbTi, SS) influences stiffness, microphonics and requirements for tuner

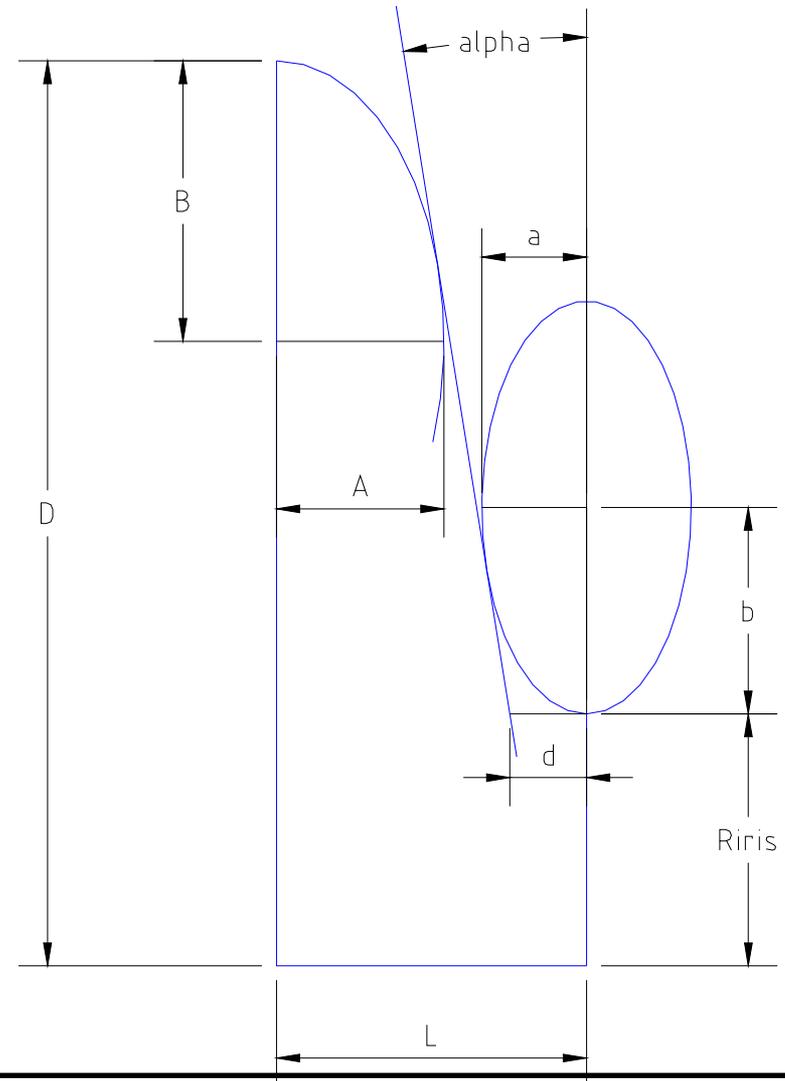


Cavity Design / Cell Shape (1)

Full parametric model of the cavity in terms of 7 meaningful geometrical parameters:

- ✓ Ellipse ratio at the equator ($R=B/A$)
ruled by mechanics
- ✓ Ellipse ratio at the iris ($r=b/a$)
Epeak
- ✓ Side wall inclination (α)
and position (d)
Epeak vs. Bpeak tradeoff and coupling k
- ✓ Cavity iris radius Riris
coupling k
- ✓ Cavity Length L
 β
- ✓ Cavity radius D
used for frequency tuning

Behavior of all e.m. and mechanical properties has been found as a function of the above parameters



Cavity Design (2)

Parametric tool **BuildCavity** developed at **INFN Milano** for electromagnetic cavity design (C. Pagani et al.; 10th SRF Workshop):

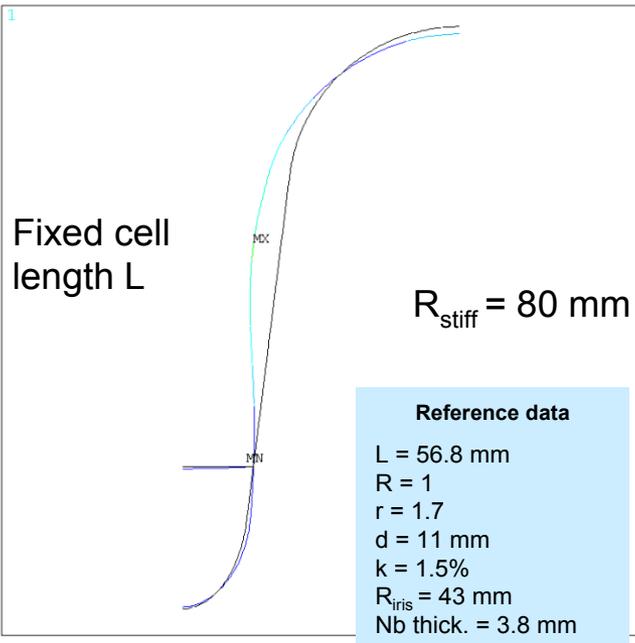
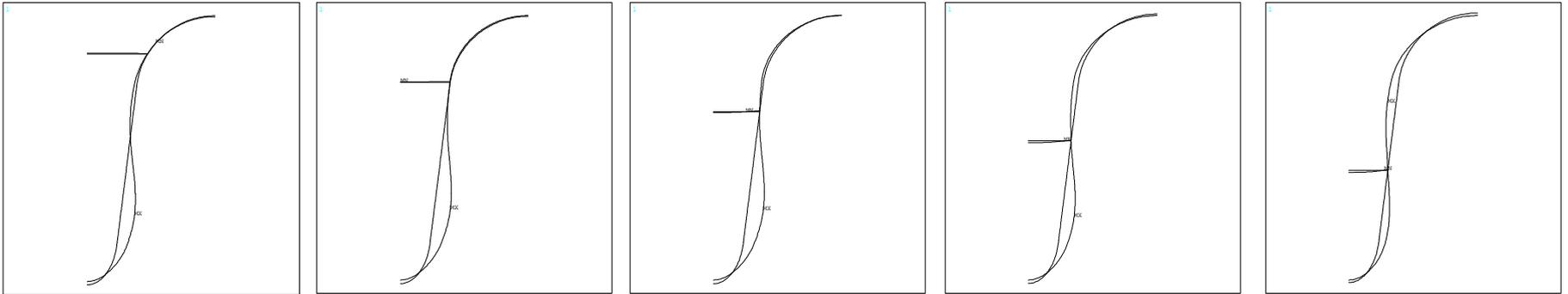
- All RF computations are handled by **SUPERFISH**
- Inner cell tuning is performed through the cell diameter, all the characteristic cell parameters stay constant: R, r, α , d, L, Riris
- End cell tuning is performed through the wall angle inclination, α , or distance, d.
- R, L and Riris are independently settable.
- Multicell cavity is then built to minimize the field unflatness, compute the effective β and the final cavity performances.
- A proper file to transfer the cavity geometry to **ANSYS** is then generated

Inner cell data

L = 56.8 mm
R = 1
r = 1.7
 $\alpha = 7^\circ$
d = 11 mm
R_{iris} = 43 mm



Cavity Design/ Stiffening Ring (3)

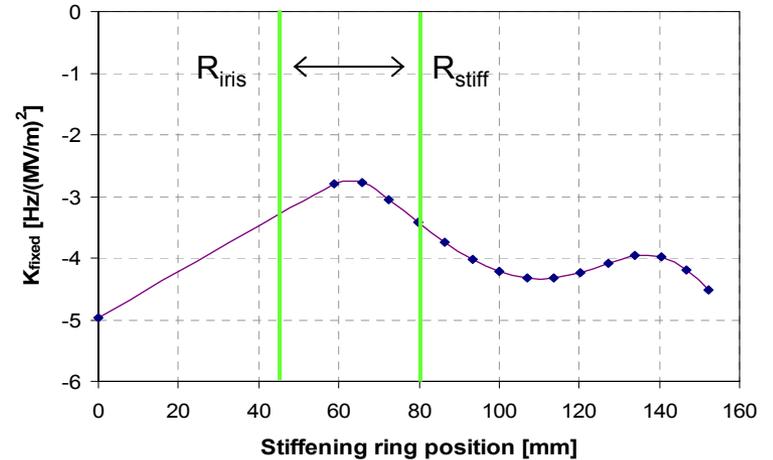


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Displacements
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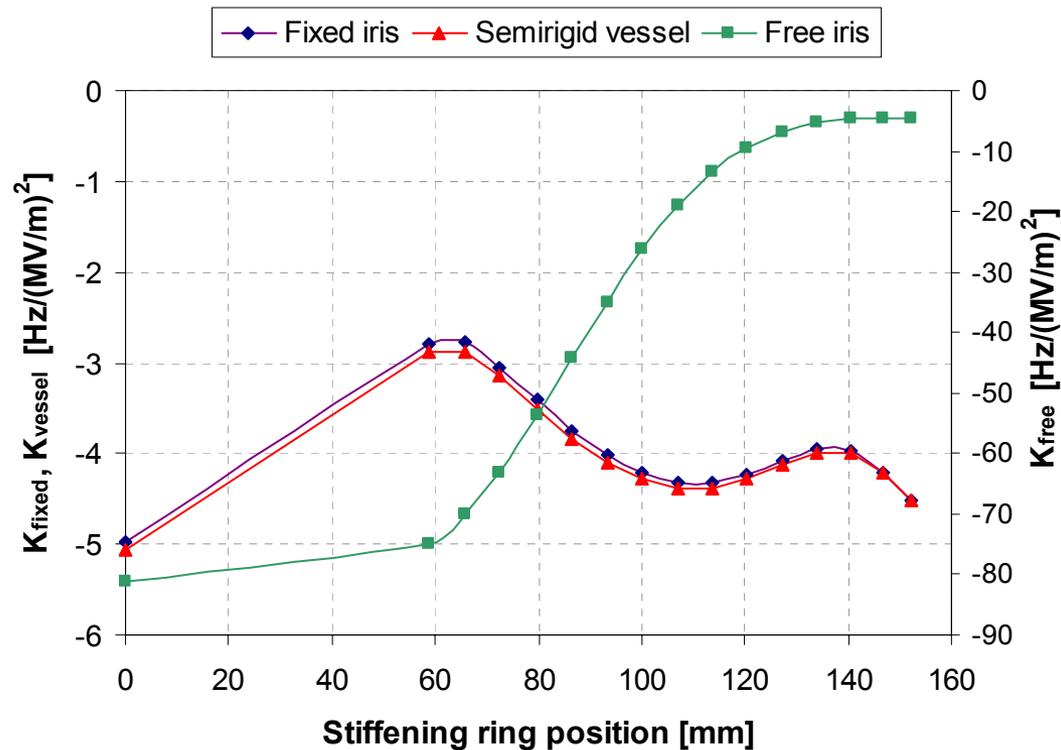
The Lorentz forces coefficients for 15 different stiffening ring positions are evaluated automatically with ANSYS, preparing the geometry and reading the fields from the SFO output from SUPERFISH



Cavity Design/Lorentz Force (4)

The estimate for KL strongly depends on the cell boundaries. For the SNS cavities 3 different cases were considered:

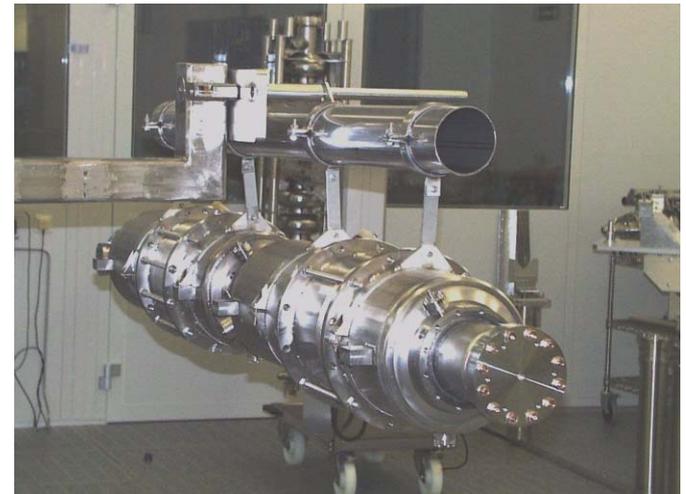
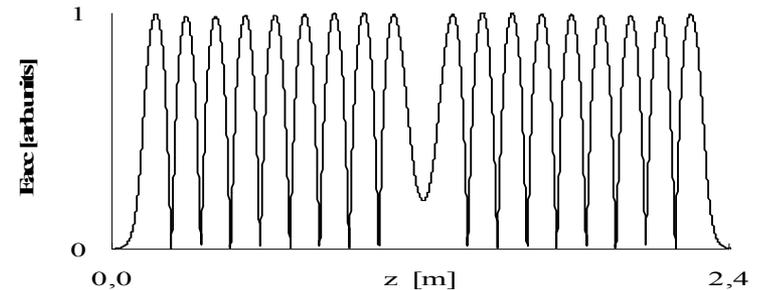
- Fixed cell length
- Free cell length
- Helium Vessel/Tuning System (= 3 tubes with diameter 30 mm and thickness 2 mm)



Superstructure

Superstructure idea developed by J. Sekutowicz at DESY (Phys.Rev.STAB 1993)

- Two 9-cell cavities are connected by a larger diameter beam pipe of $\lambda/2$ length to form a weakly-coupled 18-cell structure
- 2 HOM couplers at the interconnecting pipe and one at each cavity end provide sufficient HOM damping below BBU limit
- Each sub-unit has integrated He – vessel and tuner
- Structure is 2.38 m long and is fabricated and treated as one unit
- Major cost reduction due to less couplers
- Test is underway at DESY

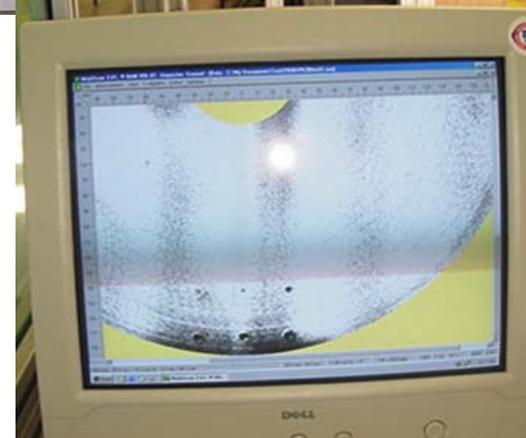


Cavity Treatment Procedures (1)

Limitation	Action
Suppression/Elimination of Multipacting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Modification of cavity shape to spherical or elliptical cross section● Very clean surfaces to lower SEE
Suppression/Elimination of defects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Improved inspection (Eddy current scanning of defects)● Improved EBW● Improved chemical treatment (Internal chemistry in clean room, filtered acids, EP)● Improved rinsing: HPR, ozonized water● Deeper material removal, tumbling● Class 10 clean room assembly

Procedures

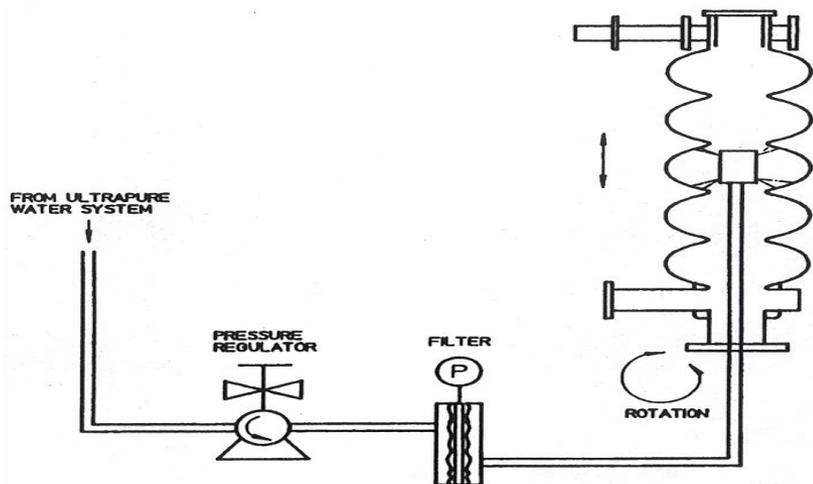
Eddy Current Scanning system for SNS high purity niobium scanning



Cavity Treatment Procedures (2)

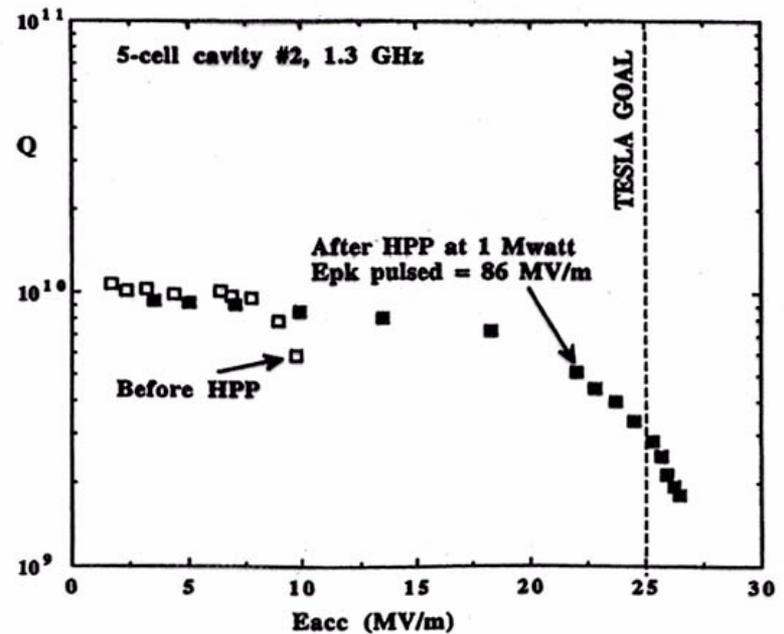
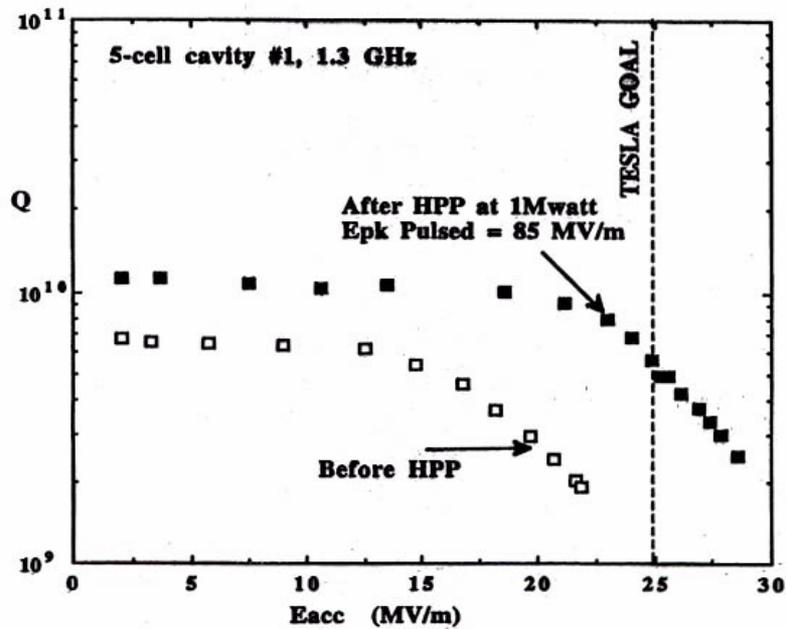
Limitation	Action
Stabilization of Defects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Purer material : RRR > 250● Solid State gettering
Field Emission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● High pressure, ultrapure water rinsing● Ozonized water rinsing● Electropolishing● Vacuum baking● High peak Power Processing● Class 10 clean room assembly● Improved contamination control

High Pressure Rinsing



High Peak Power Processing

Results obtained at Cornell University



Electropolishing

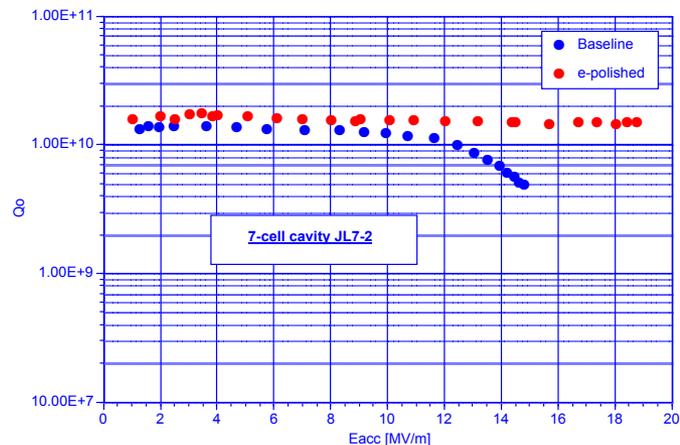
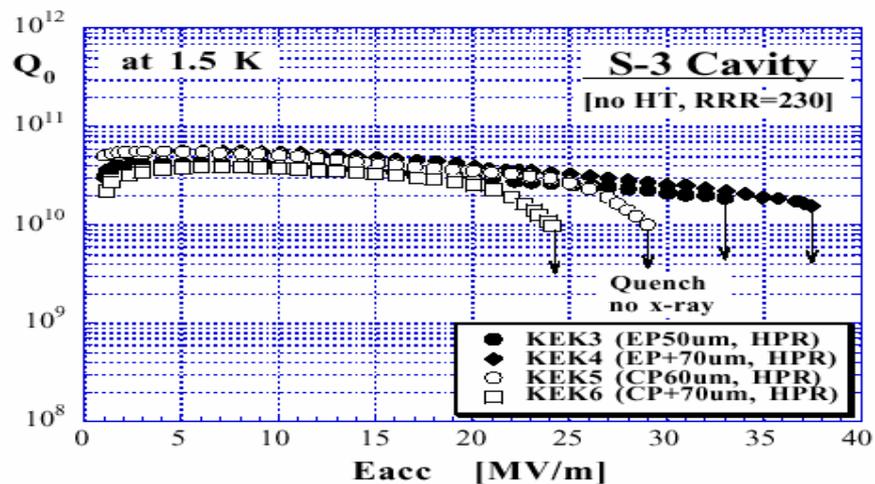


Figure 4: Cavity degradation due to CP after EP



Experimental Results

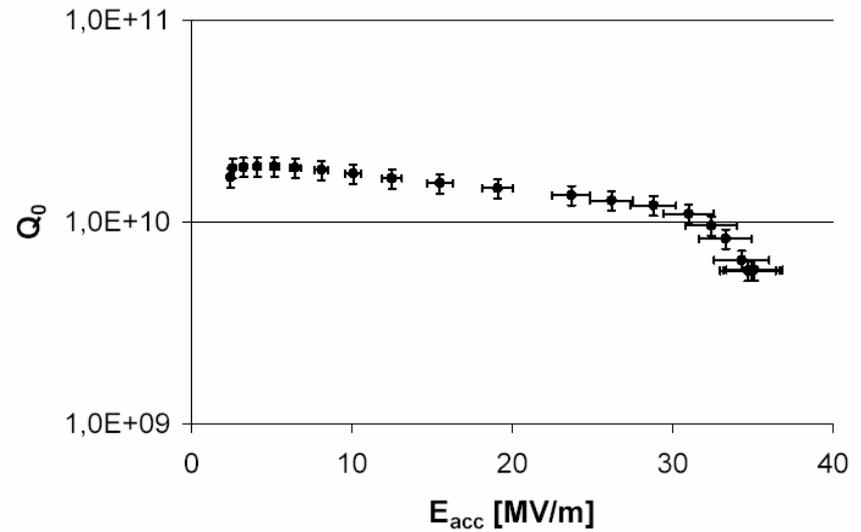
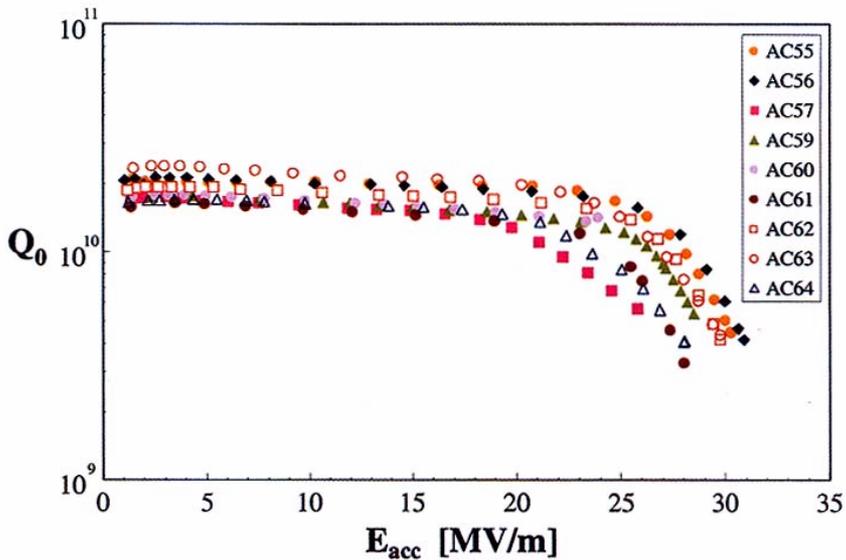
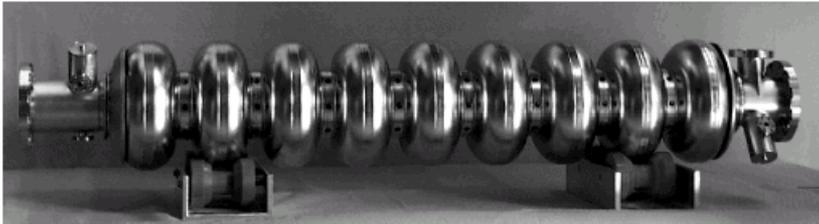
Table 2: Summary of multi-cell cavity results at various Laboratories.

Project/Lab	Structure	Results	Reference
TTF/TESLA/DESY	9-cell, 1300 MHz $\beta = 1$	$20 < E_{\text{acc}} [\text{MV/m}] < 35$	[13,18]
Upgrade/Jlab	7-cell, 1497 MHz $\beta = 1$	$10 < E_{\text{acc}} [\text{MV/m}] < 19$	[19]
SNS/JLab	6-cell, 805 MHz, $\beta = 0.61$ and 0.81	$10 < E_{\text{acc}} [\text{MV/m}] < 19$	[20]
JAERI/KEK Joint JAERI	5-cell, 600 MHz $\beta = 0.604$	$9 < E_{\text{acc}} [\text{MV/m}] < 11.6$	[21]
APT/LANL	5-cell, 700 MHz $\beta = 0.64$	$E_{\text{acc}} [\text{MV/m}] \sim 12$	[22]
RIA/MSU, Jlab	6-cell, 805 MHz, $\beta = 0.47$	Under fabrication	[23]
JAERI/KEK Joint KEK	9-cell, 972 MHz $\beta = 0.6$	Under fabrication	[17]
TRASCO/INFN	5-cell, 704 MHz $\beta = 0.85$	$E_{\text{acc}} [\text{MV/m}] \sim 10$ Sputtered Niobium	[16]
ASH/Saclay, Orsay	5-cell, 700 MHz $\beta = 0.65$	Under fabrication	[15]



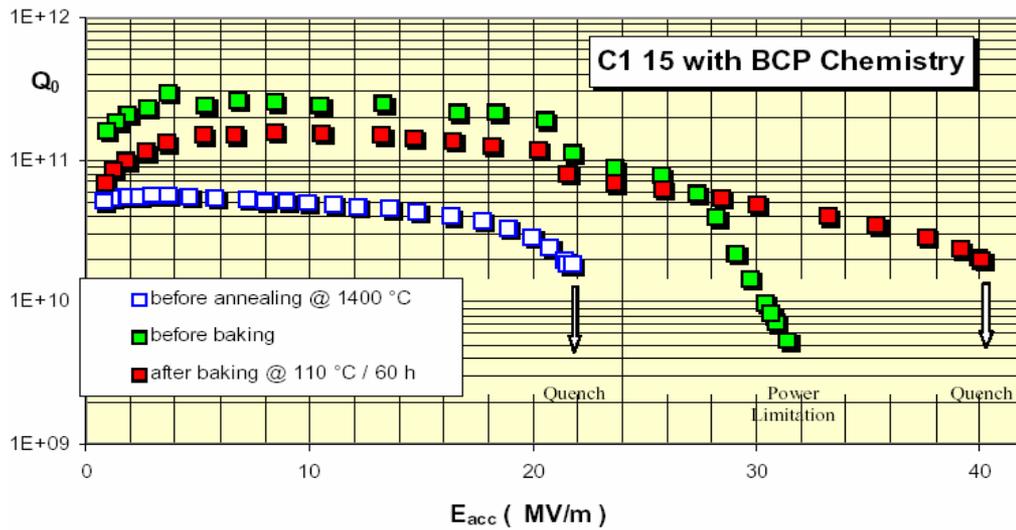
Experimental Results

DESY 9-cell cavities



Experimental Results

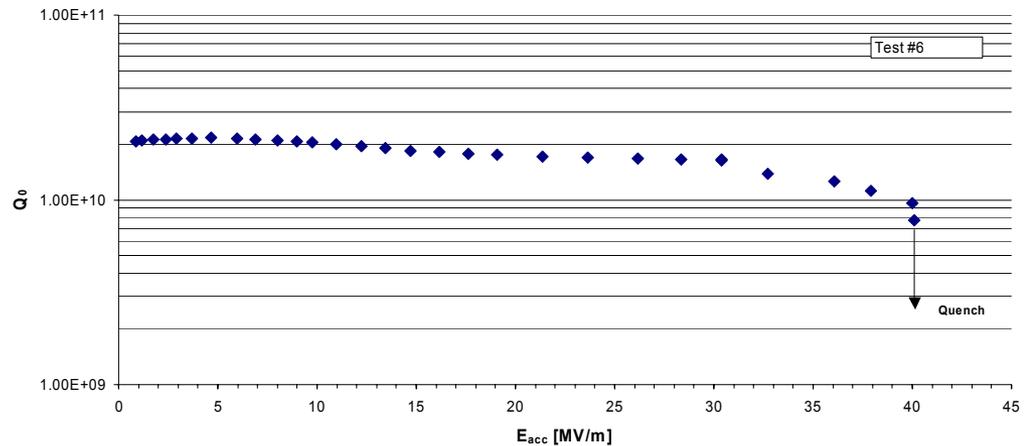
Recent Result from CEA Saclay on Single Cell Cavity (B. Visentin)



Nb/Cu Cavity DESY/Jlab

Single cell NbCu Cavity 1NC2
 Q_0 vs. E_{acc}

◆ T=2K



Experimental Results

JAERI/KEK Joint Project



Fig. 1 600MHz 5-cell cavity ($\beta=0.604$)

Table 1 Design parameters for cavity

Resonant Frequency, [MHz]	600
$E_{\text{peak}}/E_{\text{acc}}$	3.45
$H_{\text{peak}}/E_{\text{acc}}$, [Oe/(MV/m)]	72.28
R/Q, [Ω]	154
Geometrical factor, [Ω]	166

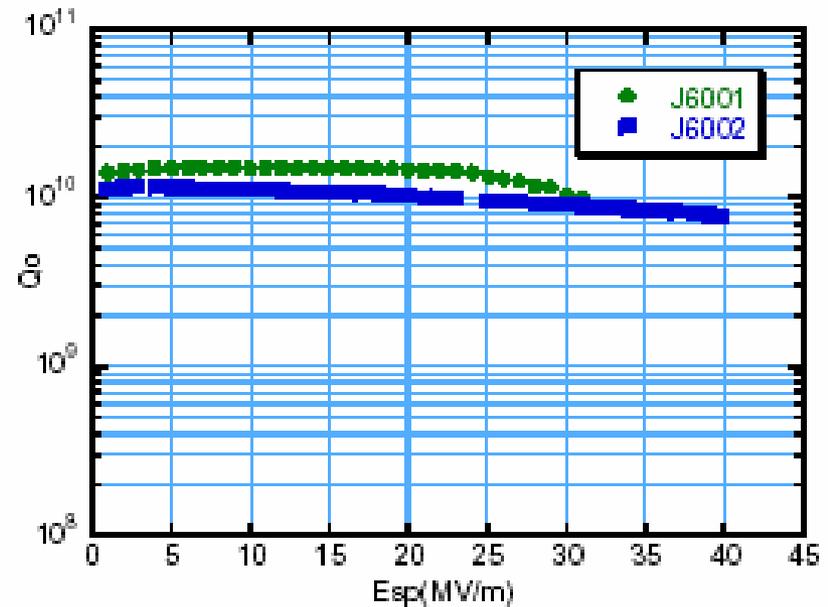
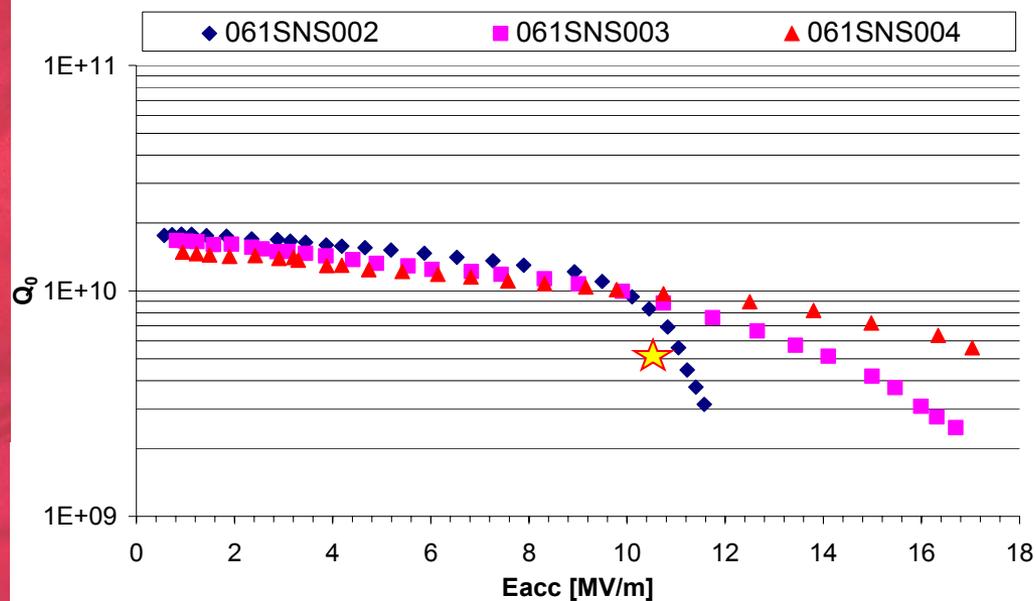


Fig. 5 Results of the vertical test

Experimental Results

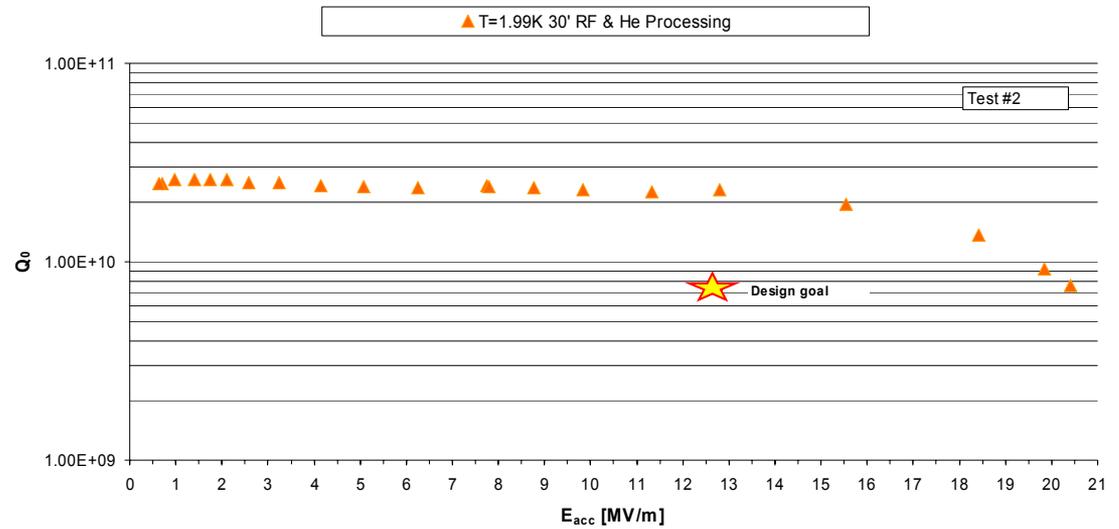
SNS $\beta=0.61$ Cavities



Experimental Results, SNS $\beta = 0.81$

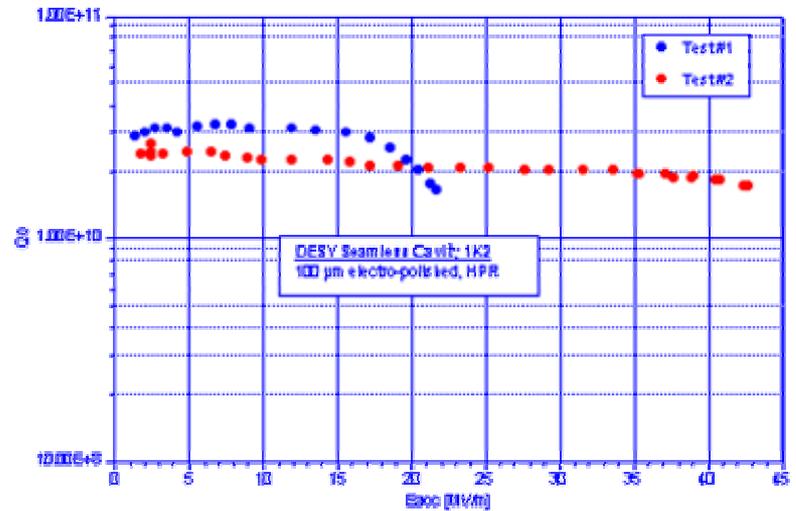
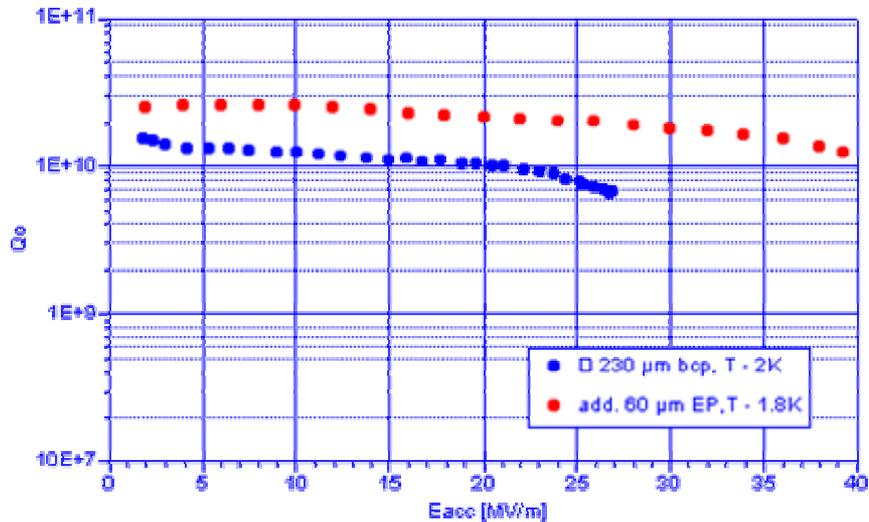


6 cells $\beta=0.81$ cavity 6SNS81-1 stiffening ring at 80mm
 Q_0 vs. E_{acc}



Experimental Results

Electropolished cavities (done at KEK)



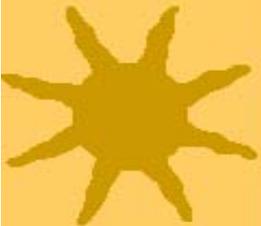
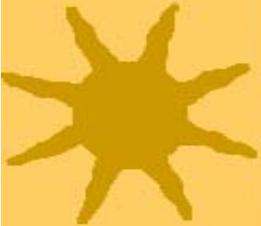
Summary (1)



- ★ SRF Technology is considered for many future applications as a result of significant achievements in the past years
- ★ In many cases now the fundamental limits for Niobium as the material of choice for sc cavities have been reached in single cell cavities
- ★ One recent test result at DESY with a 9-cell cavity came close to these results : $E_{\text{acc}} = 35$ MV/m

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Summary (2)



- ★ The main limitation is however field emission caused by “artificial” contamination
- ★ Therefore improvement of cleaning procedures and prevention of re-contamination during assembly of larger system are the “high priority” tasks

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