



Gradient Limitations for High-Frequency Accelerators

- Introduction
 - Sources of breakdown
- Reliability, Processing
- Dependence on pulse length, frequency and materials
- Conclusions



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NLC/GLC, SLAC/KEK
11 GHz
65 MV/m, 400 ns

Hardware



CLIC, CERN
30 GHz
170 MV/m
60 ns



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What happens in an RF breakdown ?

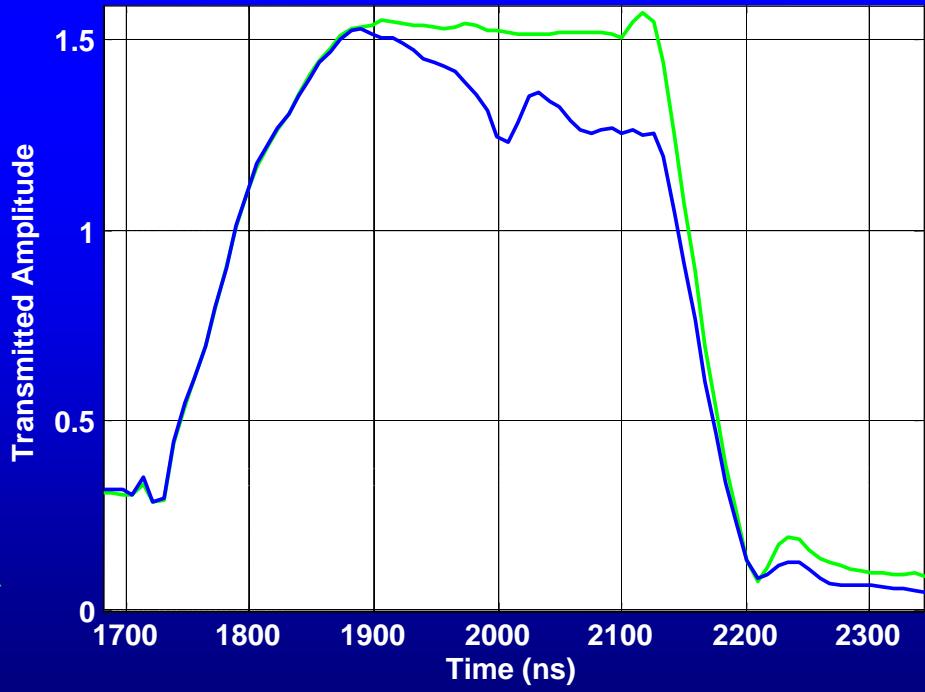
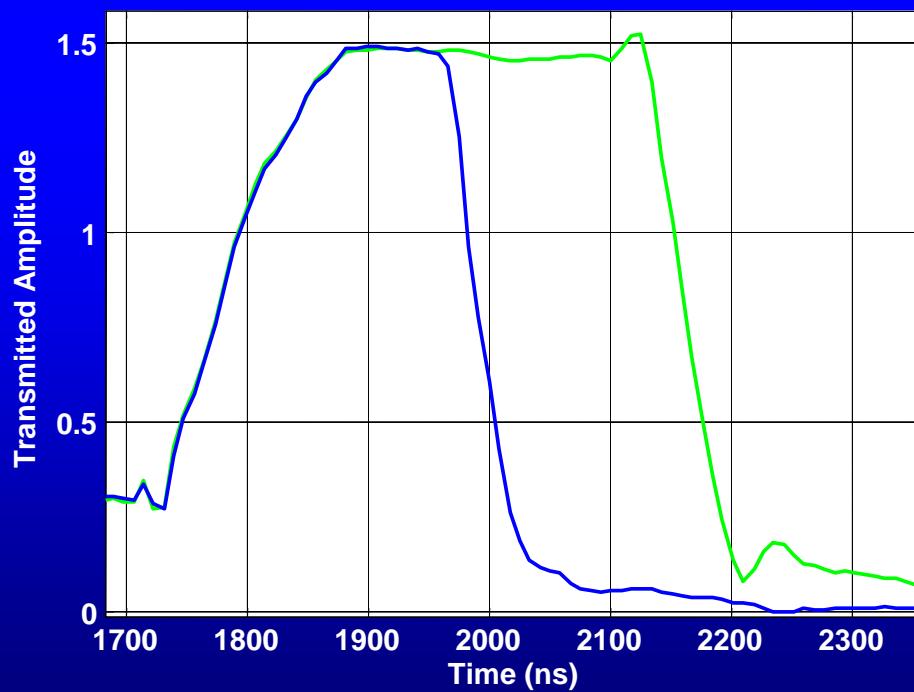


'Hard'

Large missing energy,
fast cut off

'Soft'

Little missing energy,
slow cut off





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What happens in an RF breakdown ?



'Hard'

Breakdown Trigger

'Soft'

E_s high

Field emission: $E \propto \beta$

β, H_s high

Local heating, ion creation

Ohmic heating, particle bombardment, gas desorption and ionization
melting and vaporization
resonant secondary emission

Plasma phase, energy absorption, run-away condition

High density plasma build up absorption cooling

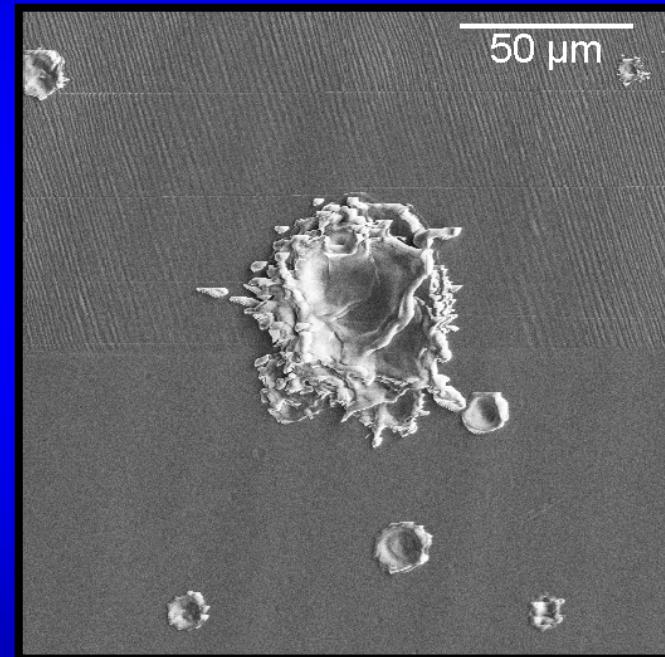
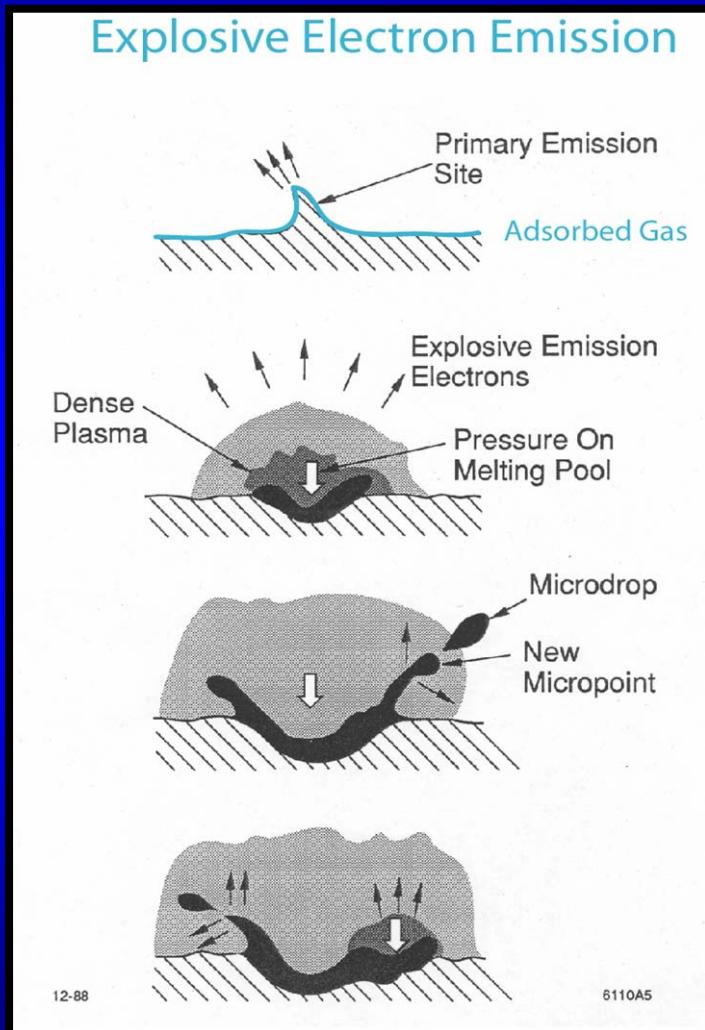
RF field driven:
high electrical surface fields

Defect driven:
Particles, voids, oxides



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High electric surface fields

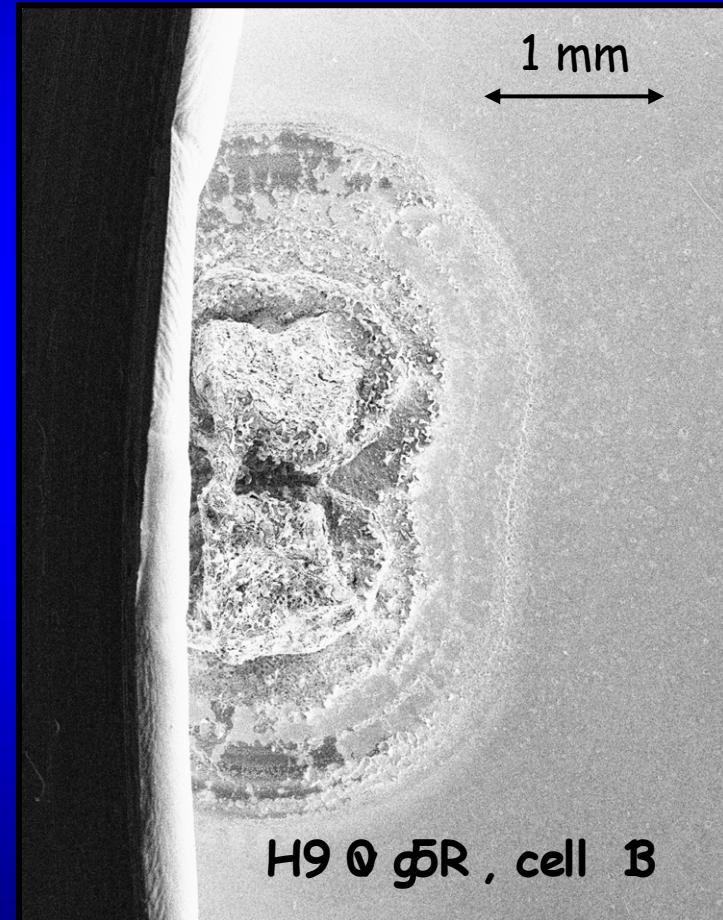


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Large Particles
in high magnetic field areas

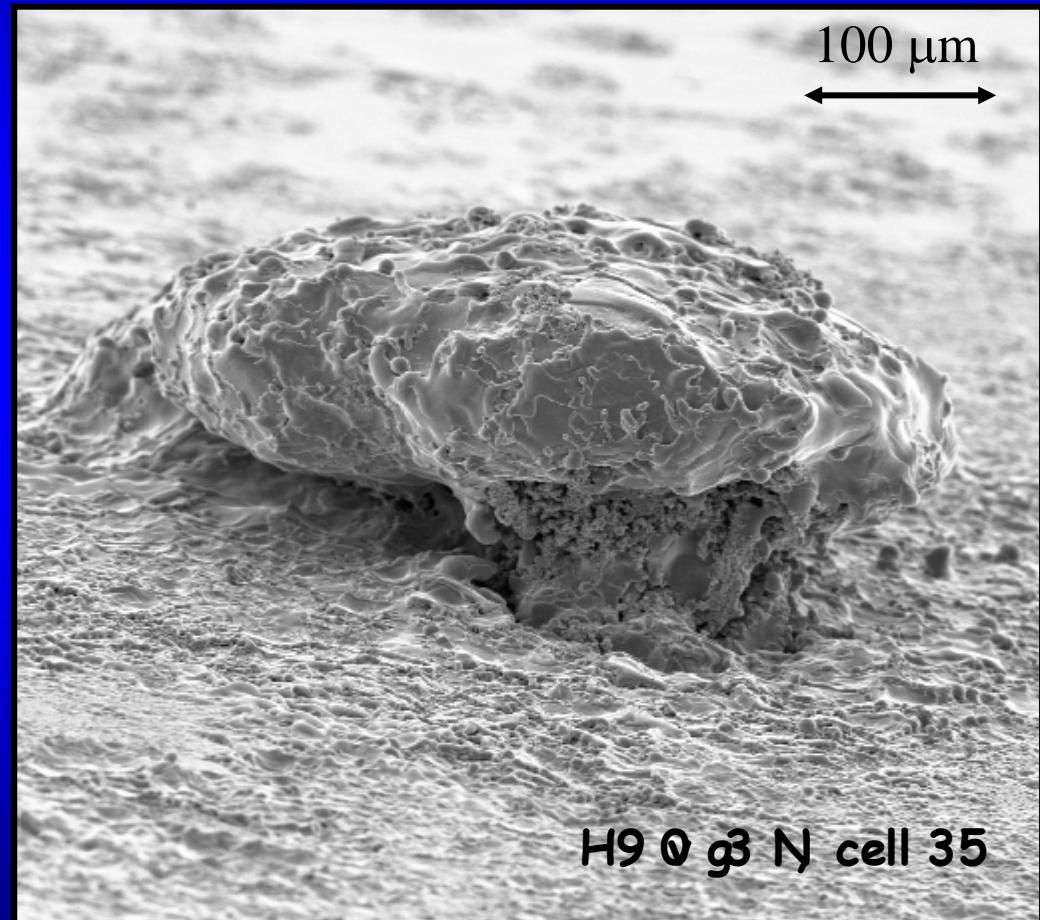


Aluminum



H9 Q g5R , cell B

Stainless steel

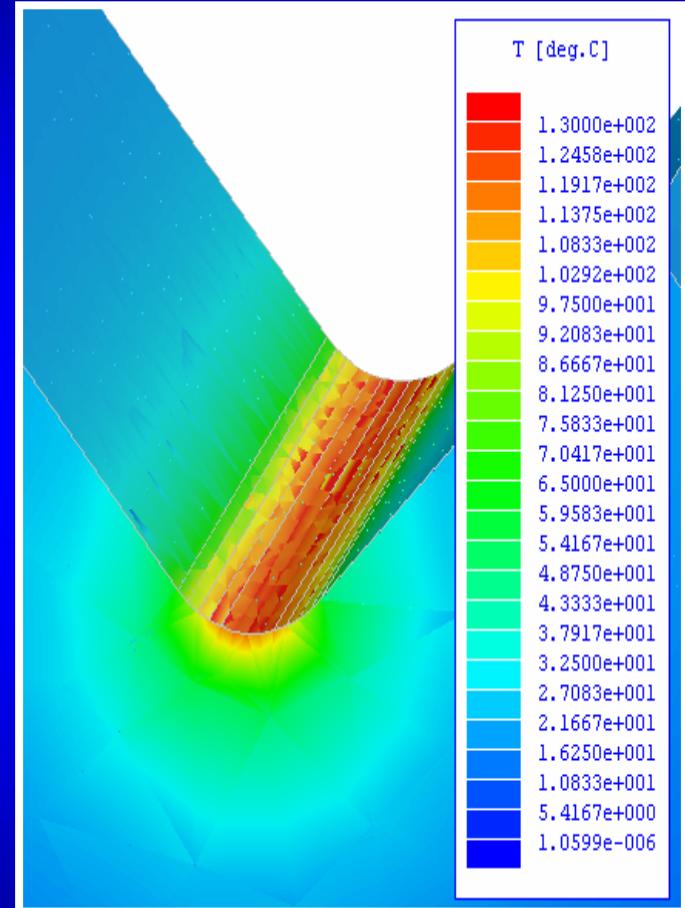
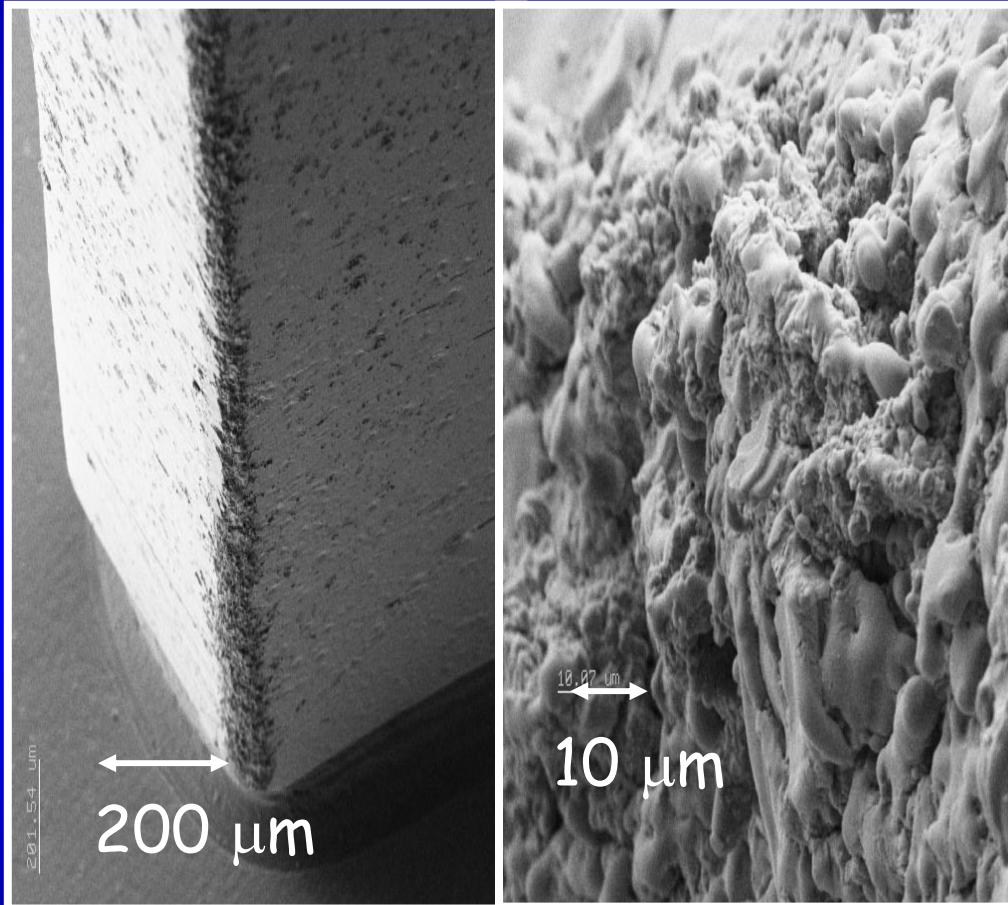


H9 Q g3 N cell 35



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High magnetic surface fields



130 K pulse heating at 400 ns pulse length

Rule of thumb: < 50 k pulse heating is safe



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Reliability - Trip rates



NLC a example of a large scale accelerator (30 km)

18000 structures , 2% operational overhead,
10 s trip recovery, 100% availability

→ trip rate > 0.1/h at 60 Hz

(5 s, 99% availability → trip rate 0.4/h)

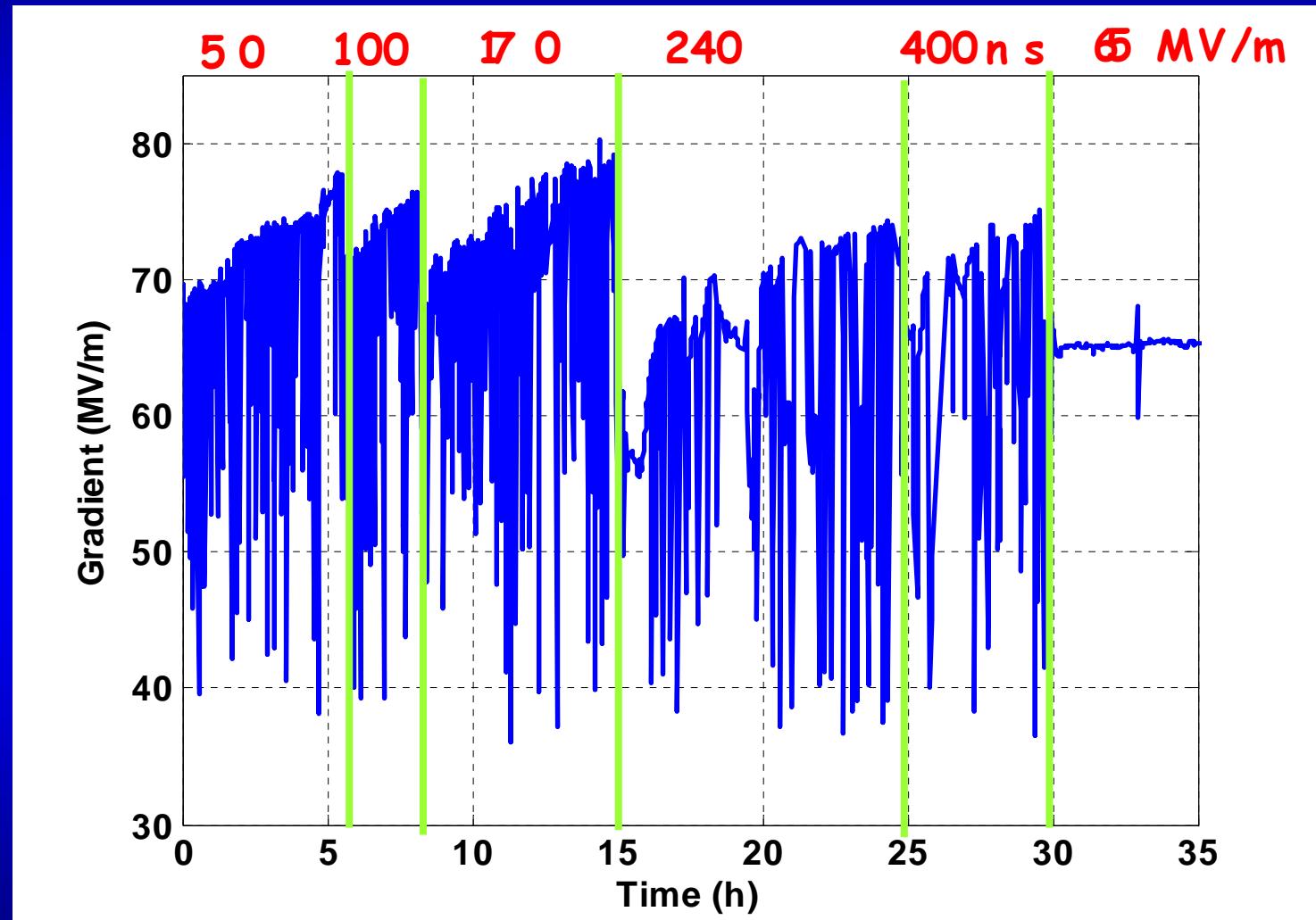
Still a trip every second !

Assumption that breakdown kicks reduce luminosity
on the pulse but wouldn't hit the collimators



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Typical structure processing history



NLC working point: 65 MV/m, 400 ns, 1 trip in 10 hours

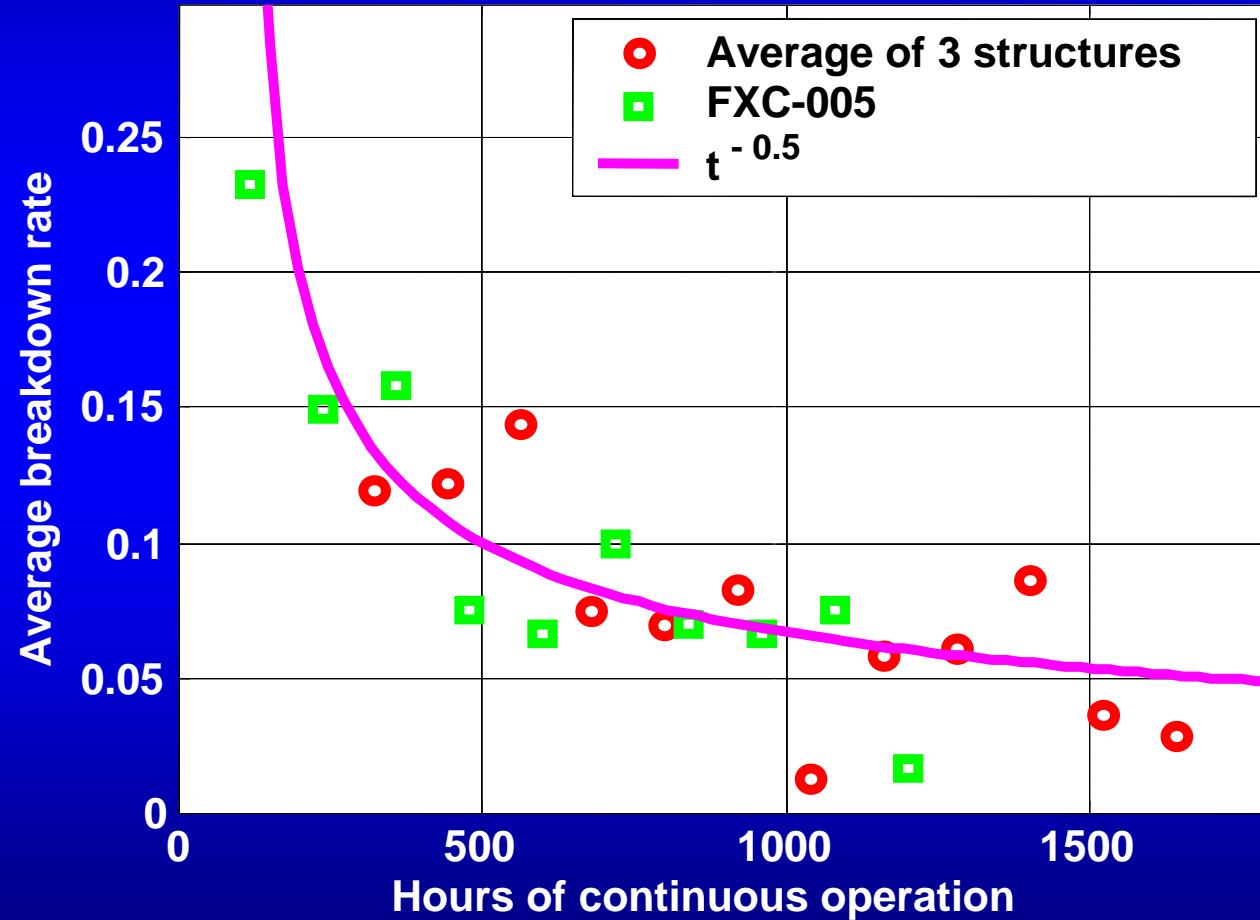


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Long term operation



Performance improvement over time



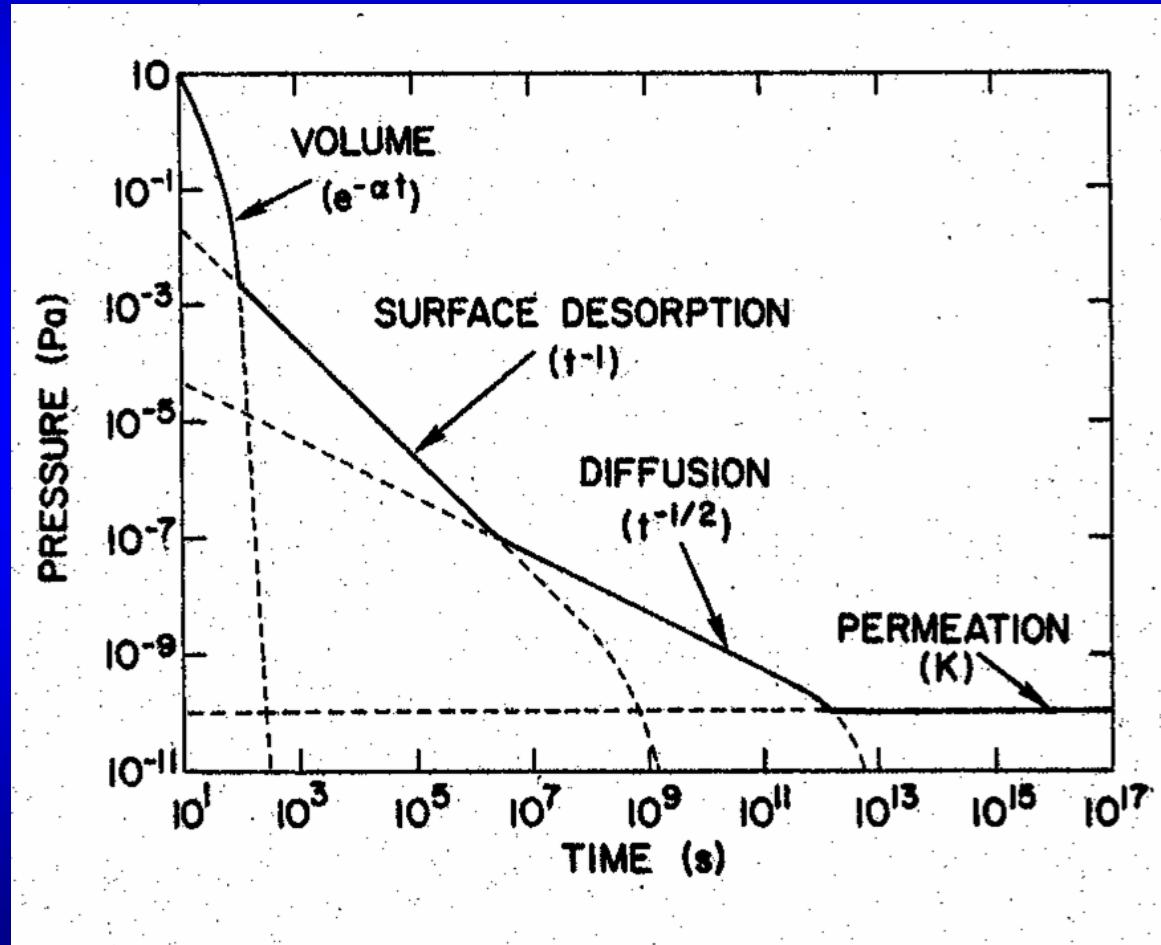


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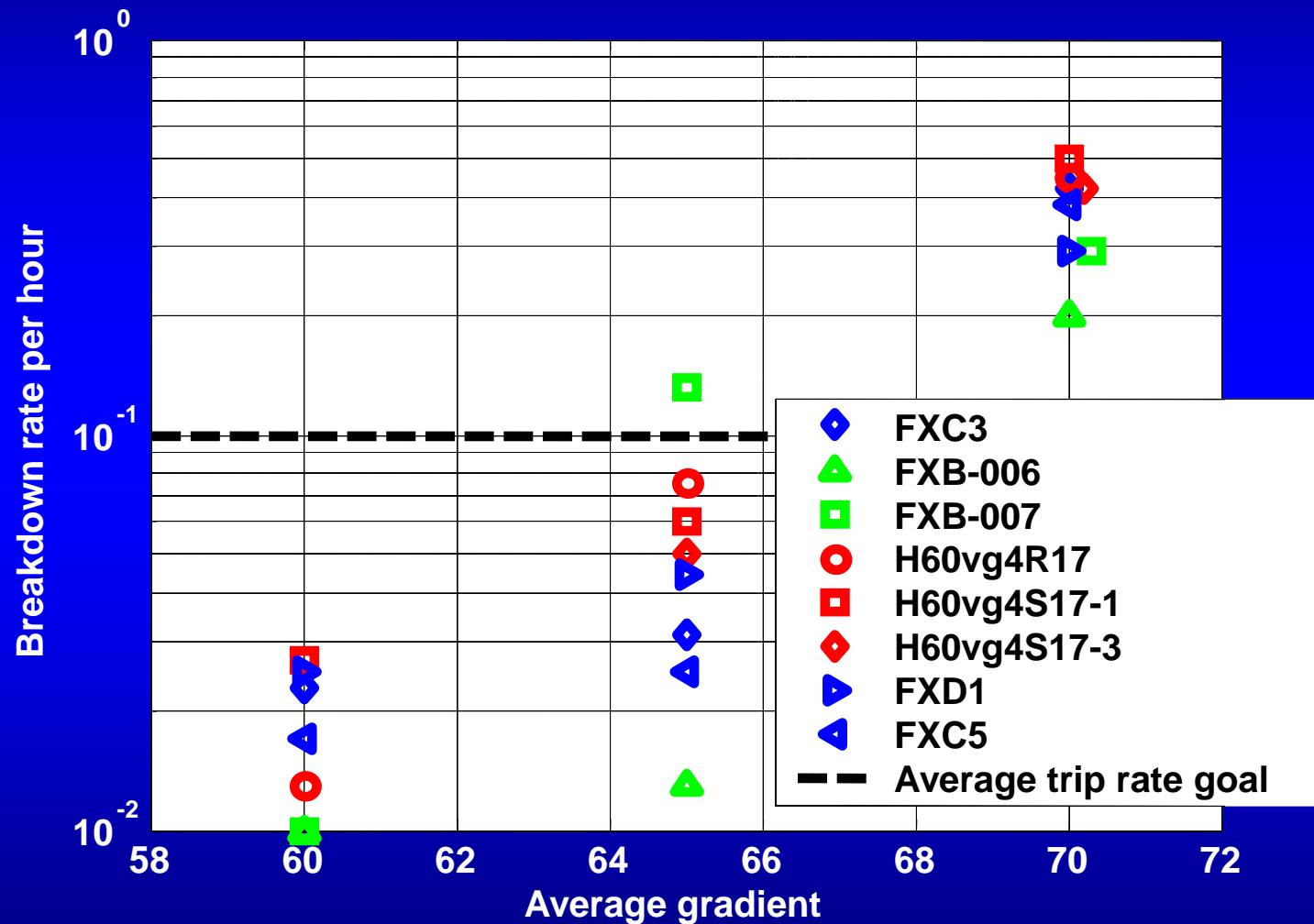
Long term monitoring of a vacuum system





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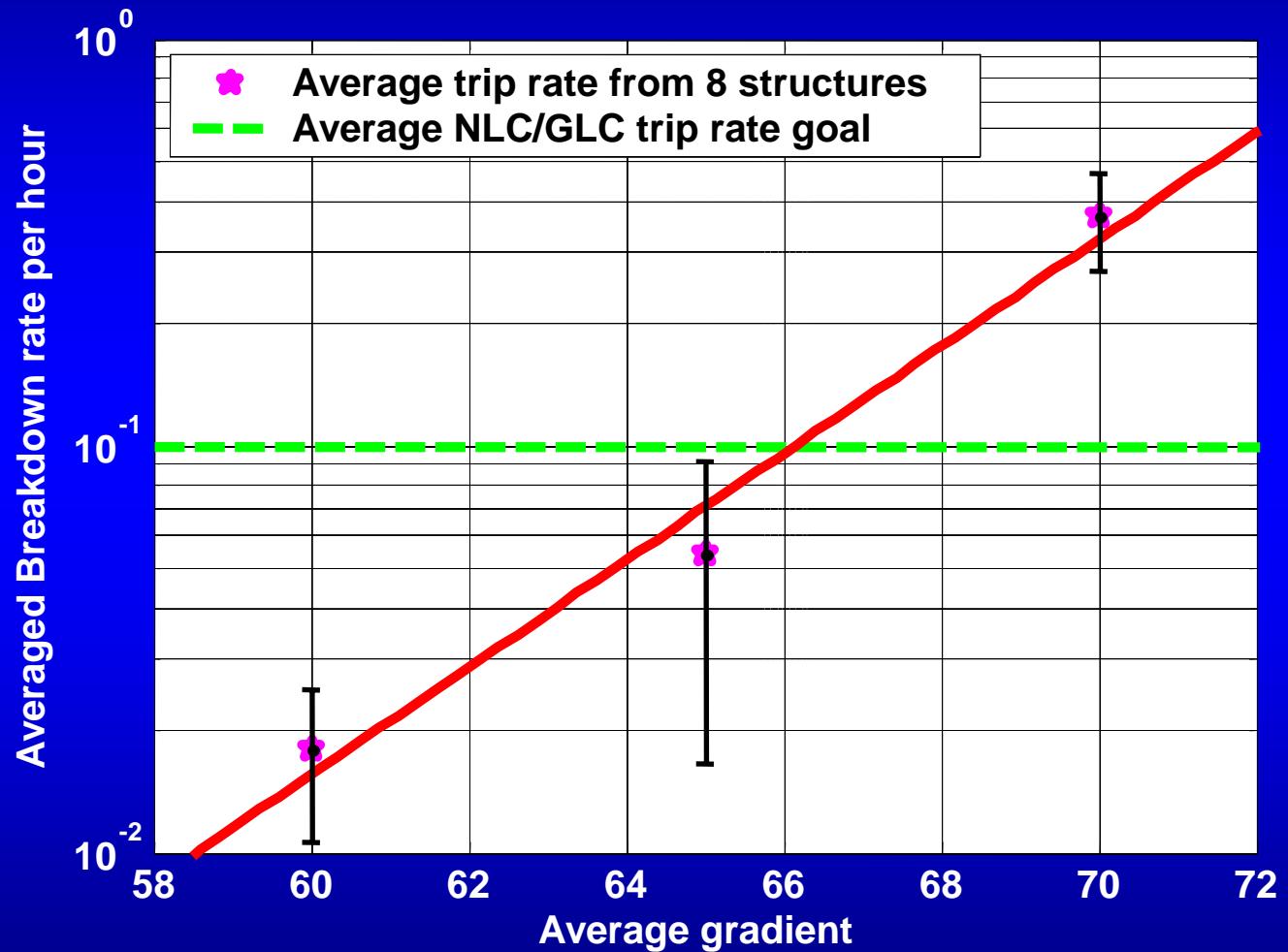
Performance of latest structures



Details about structure designs see poster. J.W. Wang THP33



Averaged performance of 8 structures

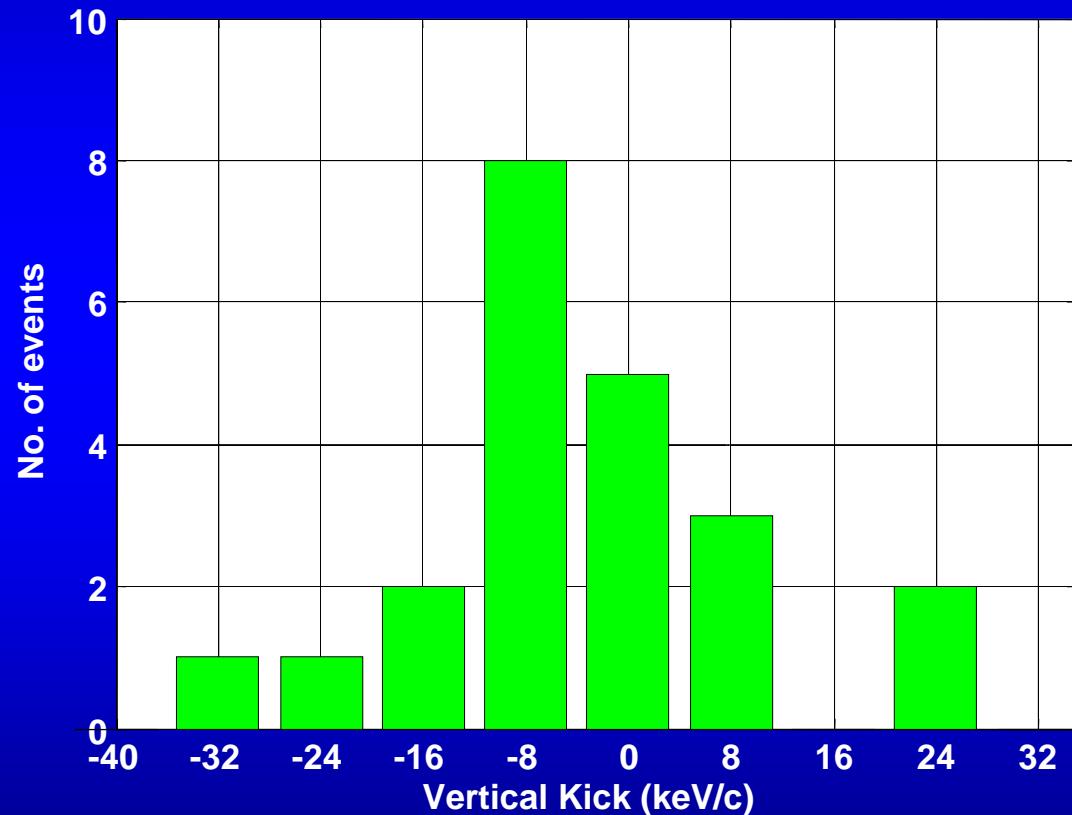




Breakdown Kicks to the Beam



Measured Kick Distribution from breakdowns at 90 MeV



NLC kick limits:

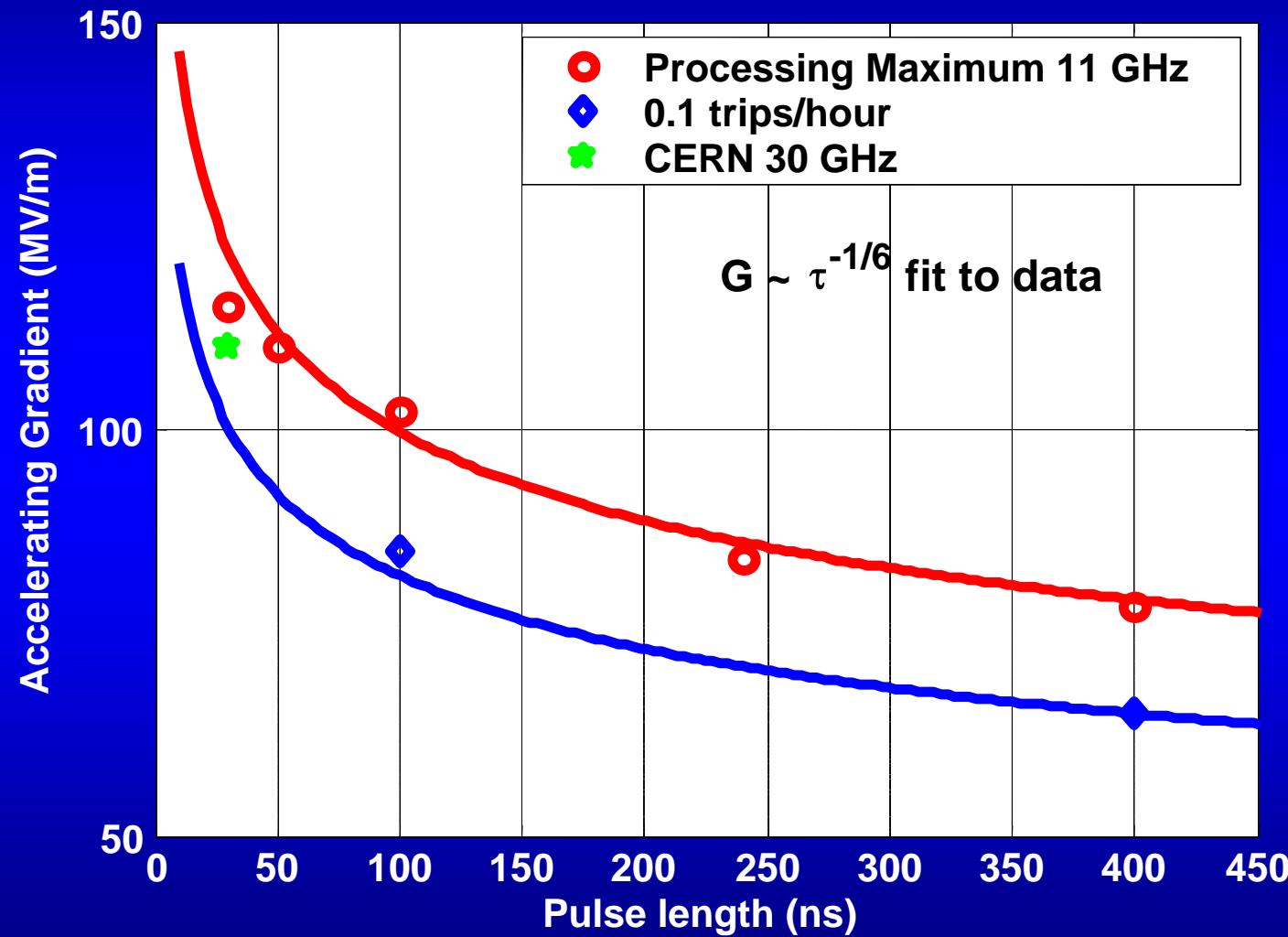
- 200 - 1000 keV/c to hit collimator
- (1σ beam size 10 - 100 keV/c)

Kick simulations see poster: V. Dolgashev: TUP56



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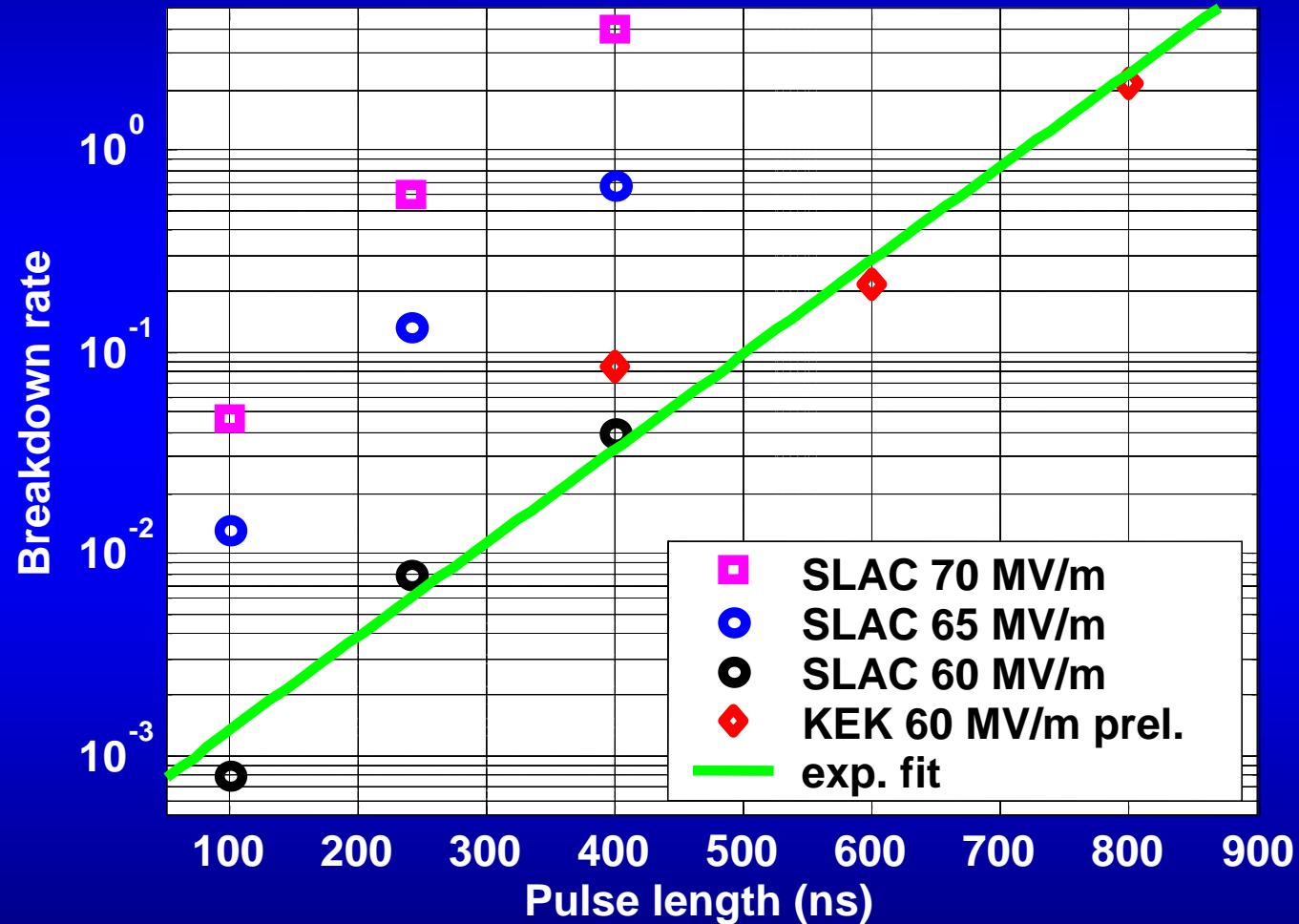
Pulse length dependence





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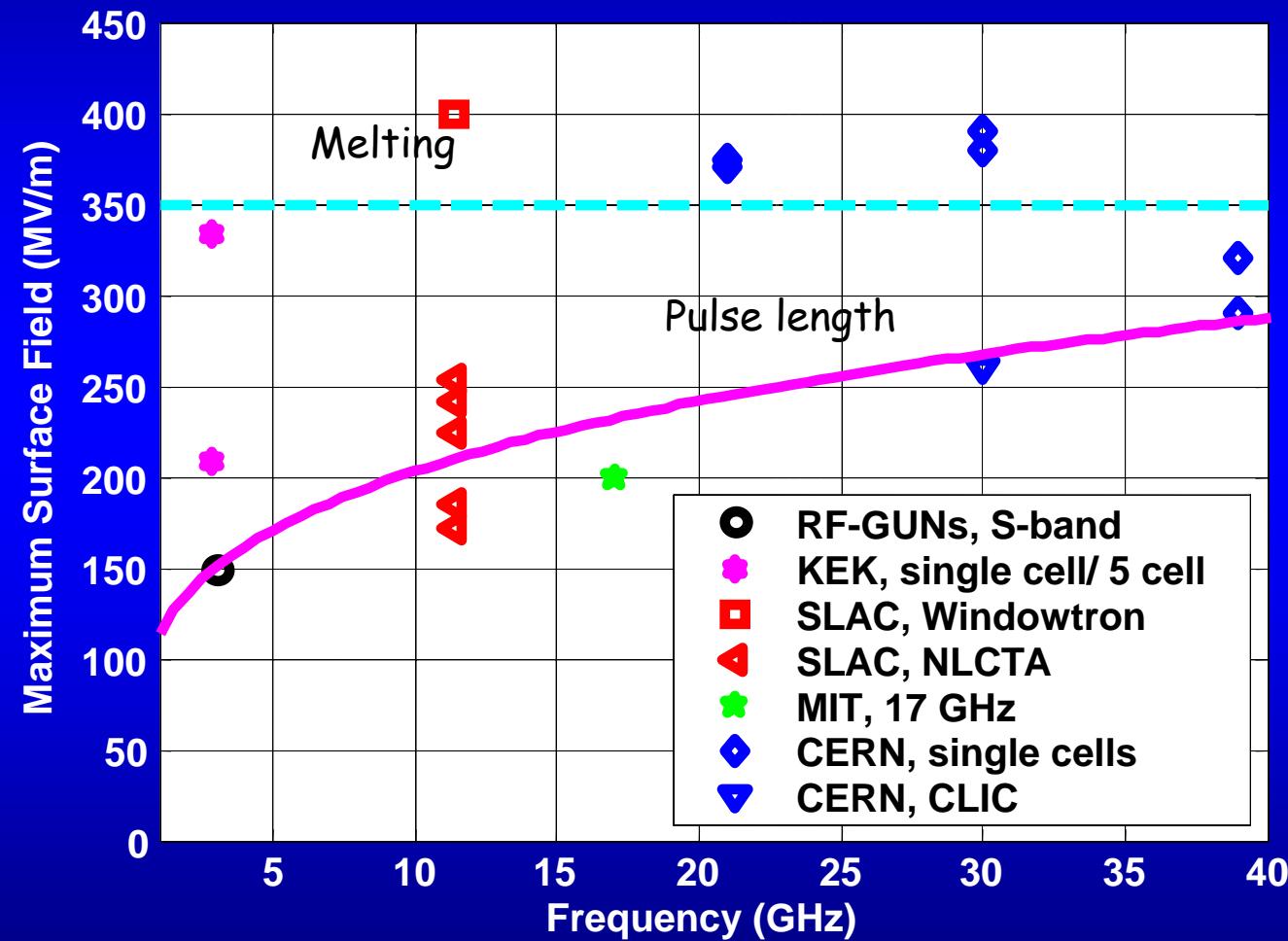
Breakdown-rates vs pulse length





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Frequency dependence



Realistic structures:

Filling time $\sim f^{-3/2}$

$E_s \sim t_p^{-1/6}$

$E_s \sim f^{1/4}$



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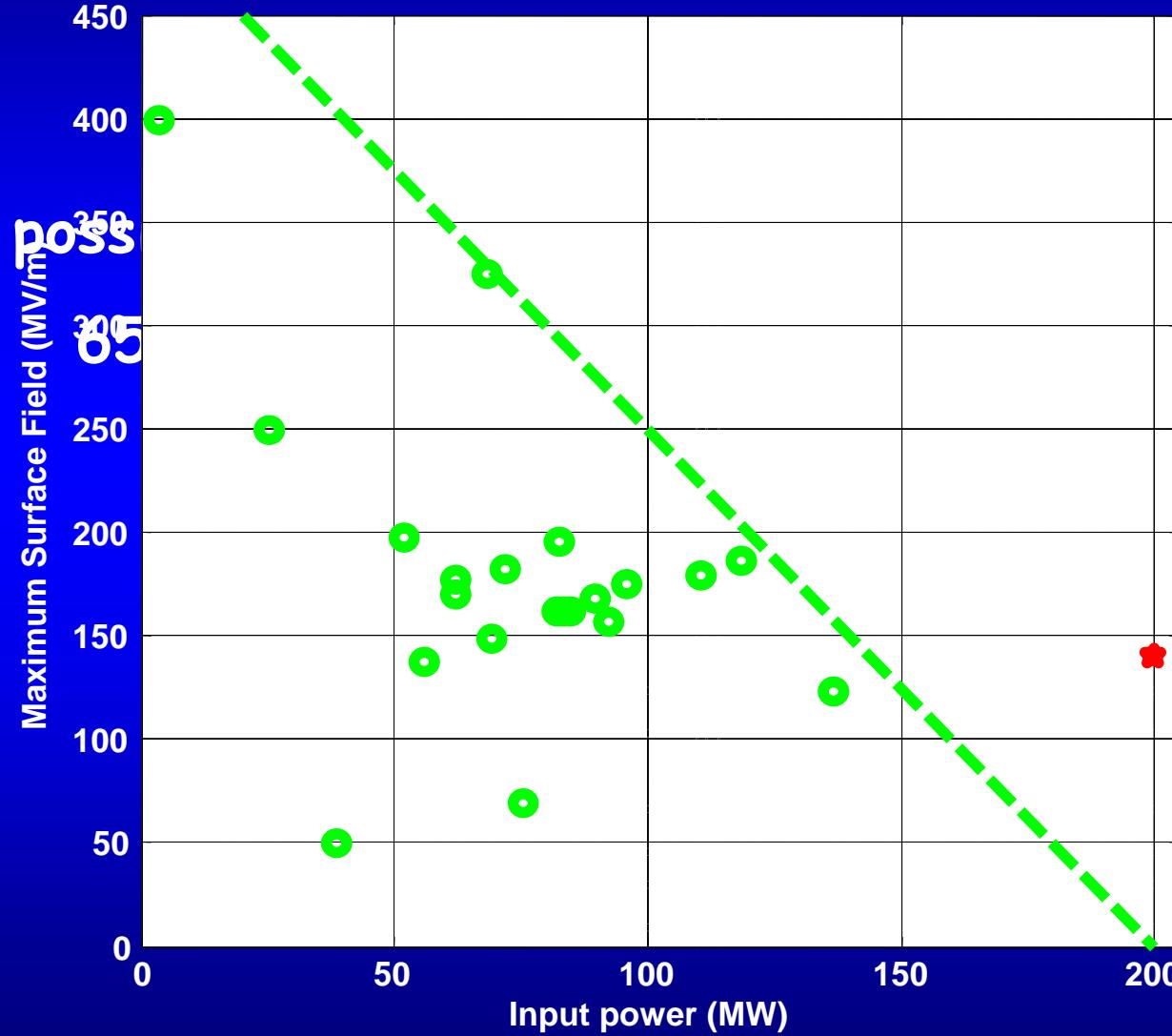
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RF Power limit (group velocity)



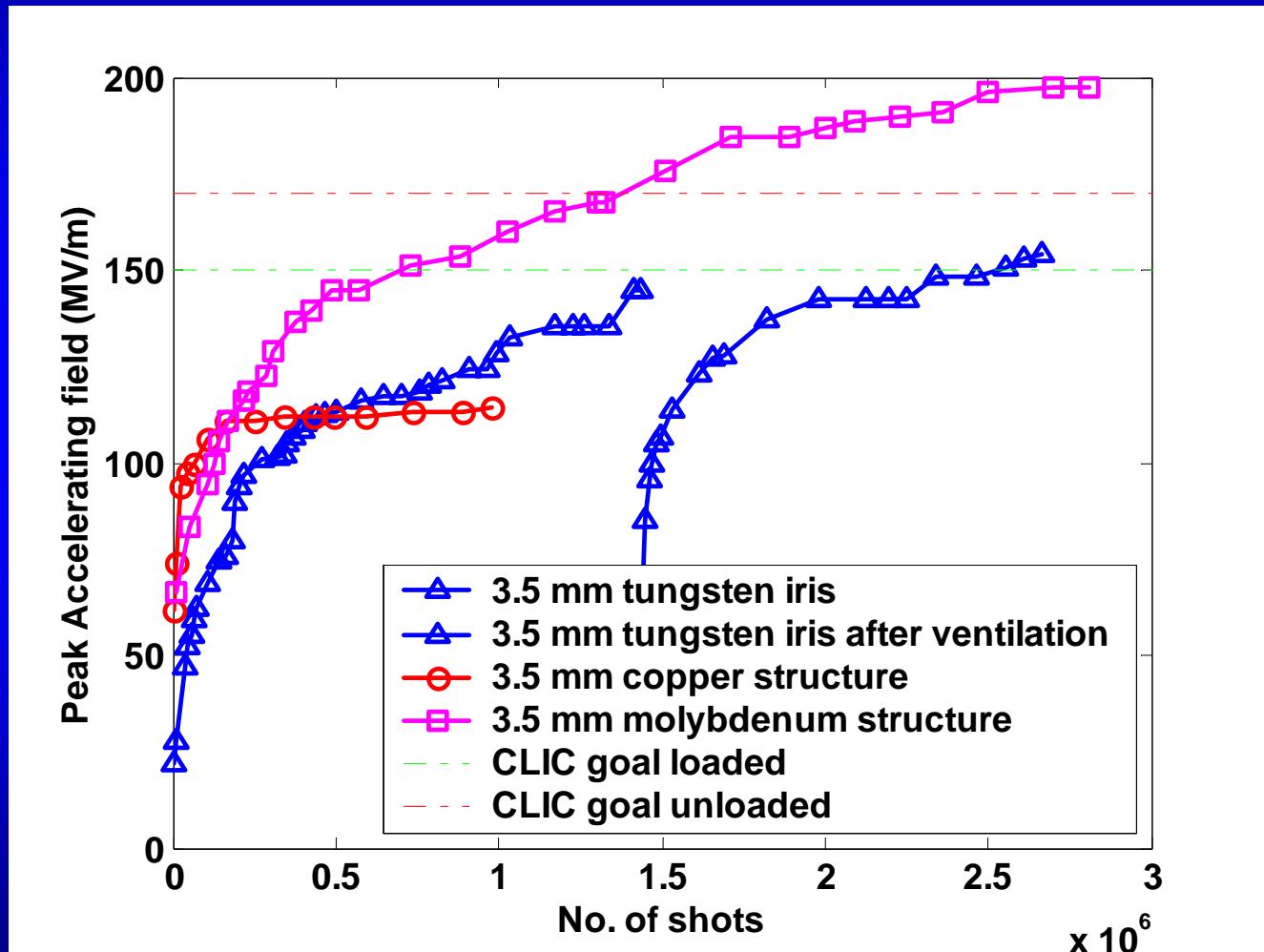
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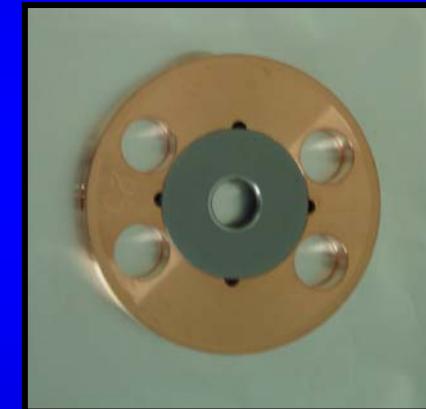


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Different Materials at 30 GHz



30 GHz
16 ns pulses



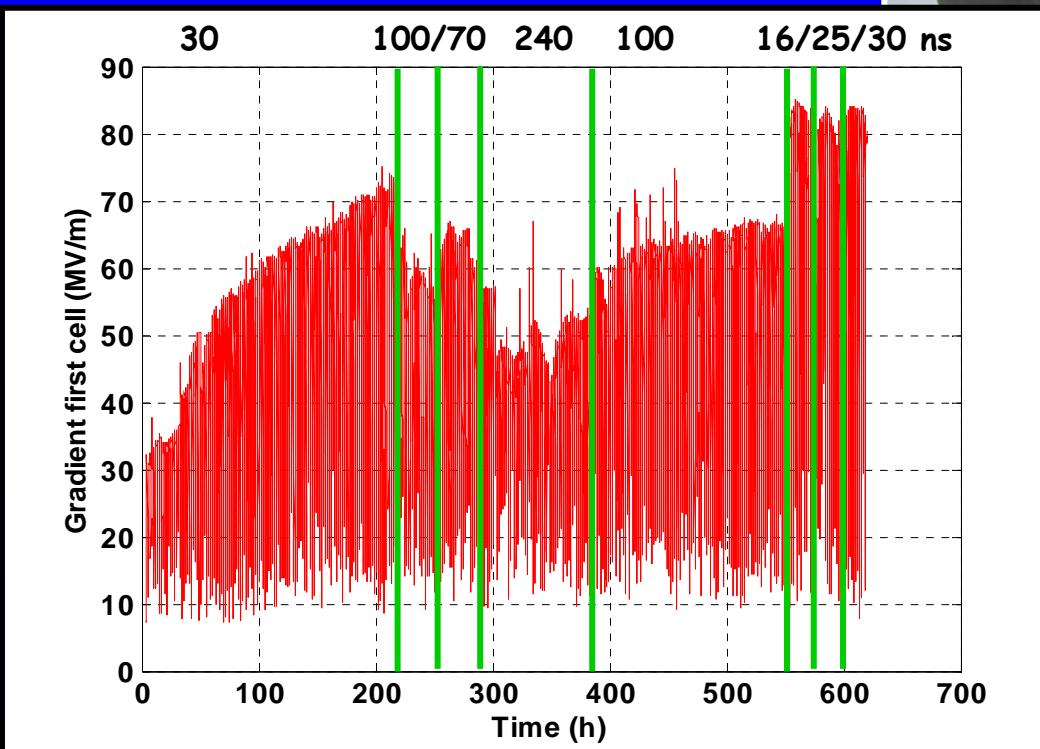
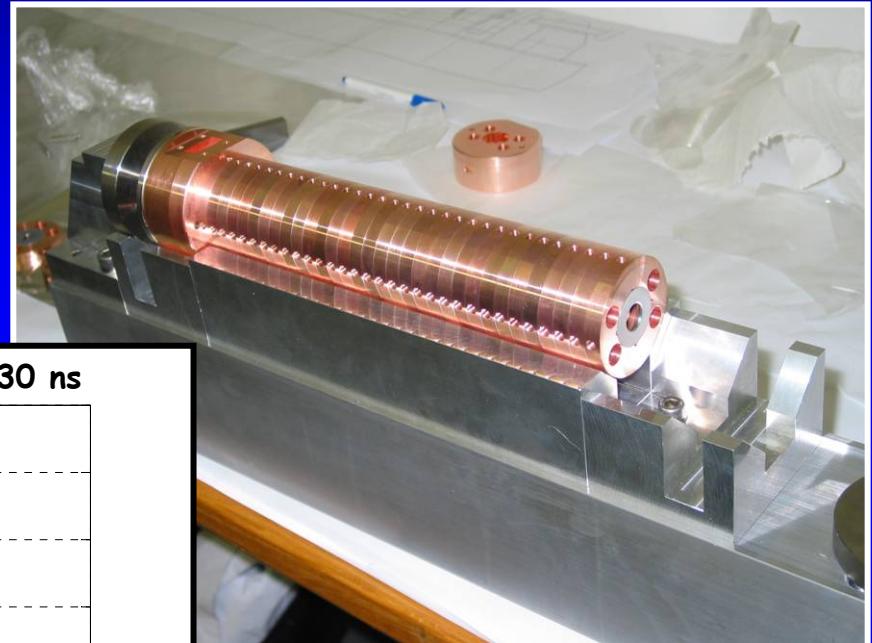


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Molybdenum-iris X-band structure



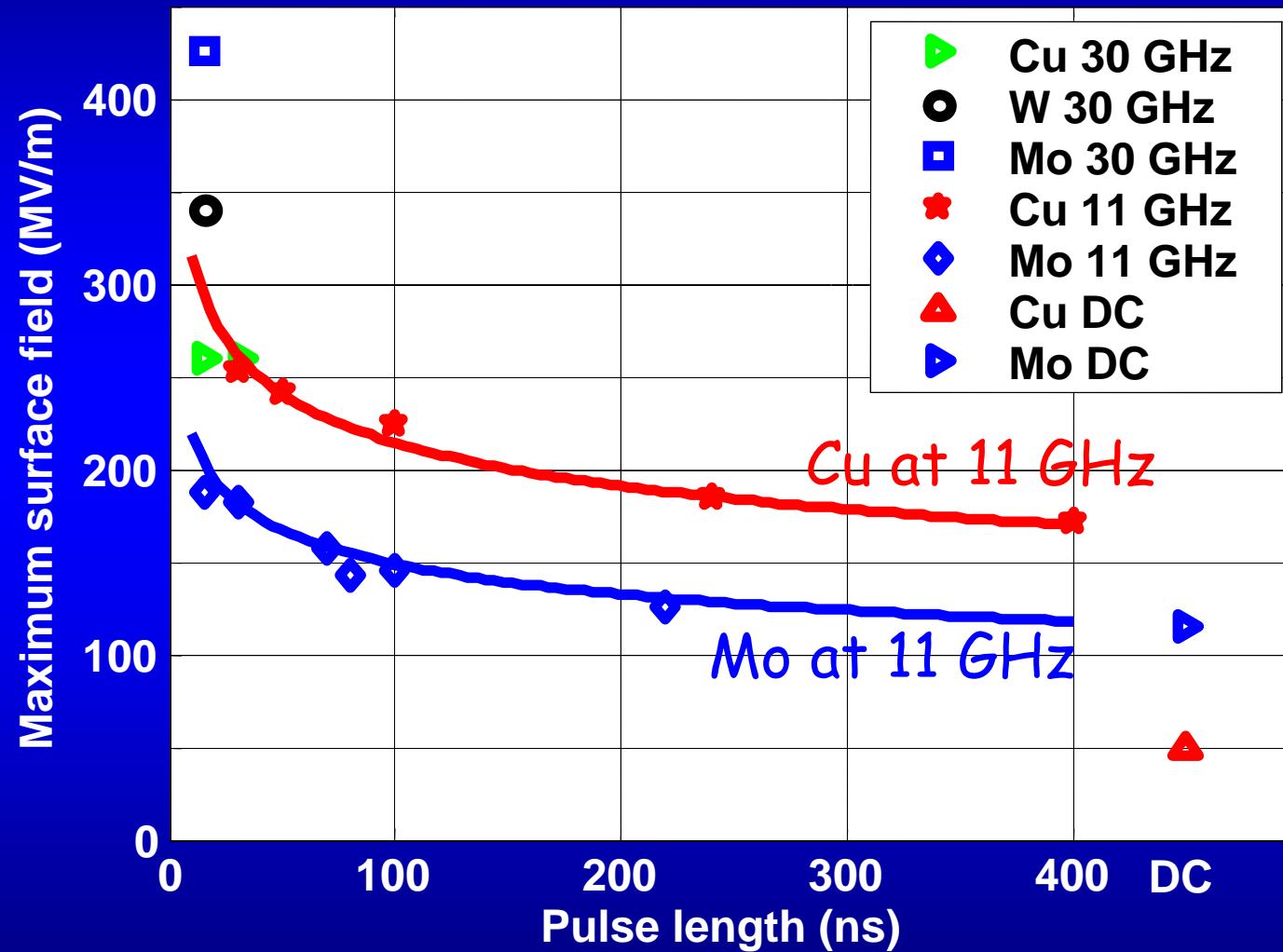
High-power tested in
NLCTA at SLAC





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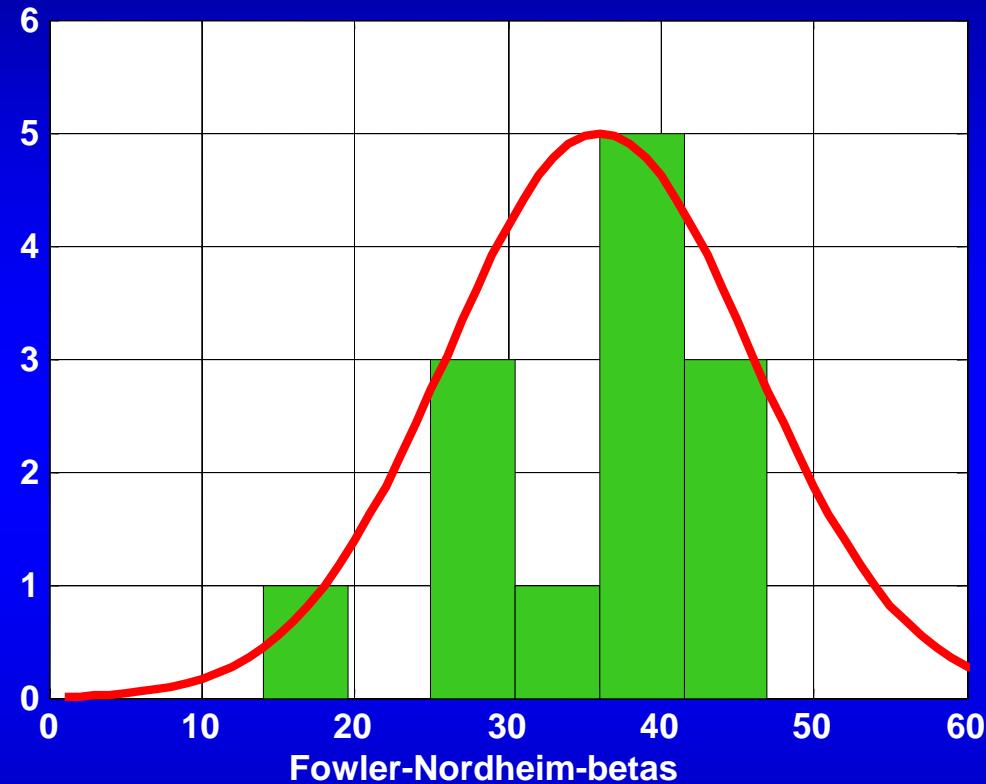
Pulse length dependence - Materials



CERN-data: W. Wuensch et al; see poster:THP34

DC-data: T. Nakanishi et al., see Poster:THP23

Do we understand field enhancement factors ?



Breakdown limit observed

$E_s \beta \sim 6-7 \text{ GV/m}$

- Field emission threshold
- Independent from frequency
- Independent from material

S. Yamaguchi (KEK): S-Band: $E_{eff}: 6-7 \text{ GV/m}$

S. Tantawi (SLAC): X-Band Waveguides: $E_{eff} \sim 7 \text{ GV/m}$ (material)

S. Doeberl (CERN): Ka-band: $E_{eff}: 7 \text{ GV/m}$



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Conclusions



- NLC/GLC-collaboration achieved important milestone for future high energy physics
 - demonstrated 65 MV/m at 400 ns and less than 1 trip in 10 hours
- Frequency dependence of breakdown voltage is fairly weak above X-band, pulse length dependence seems to dominate
- New materials could provide a path for future very high gradient (>100 MV/m) applications as shown by the CLIC-study
- Still missing consistent breakdown theory

Future Research, Remaining questions



- What are the relevant local parameter E_s , H_s , P , $E_s \times H_s$
- Local melting by ohmic losses or bombardment ?
- Importance of gas from surface or bulk as catalyst
- What is really determined by β
- Which material parameter determines threshold
- What is the optimal surface processing
- Physical model of pulse length dependence
- Breakdown statistics (1 breakdown in two million pulses)



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NLC Structure development



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End of the talk

Gas exposure and installation



1. Venting with nitrogen and leave backfilled for 24 h
Structures came back to full performance after 8 h of pumping and 1 breakdown to reach 65 MV/m, 400 ns
2. Venting and purging through a structure with nitrogen
24 h of pumping, 3 breakdowns,
one structure 2x higher trip rate in the first 24 h
3. Venting with nitrogen and purging with filtered air through a structure
48 h of pumping, 14 breakdowns, trip rates ~10x higher in first 24 h, still 4 times higher after 100 h in one structure

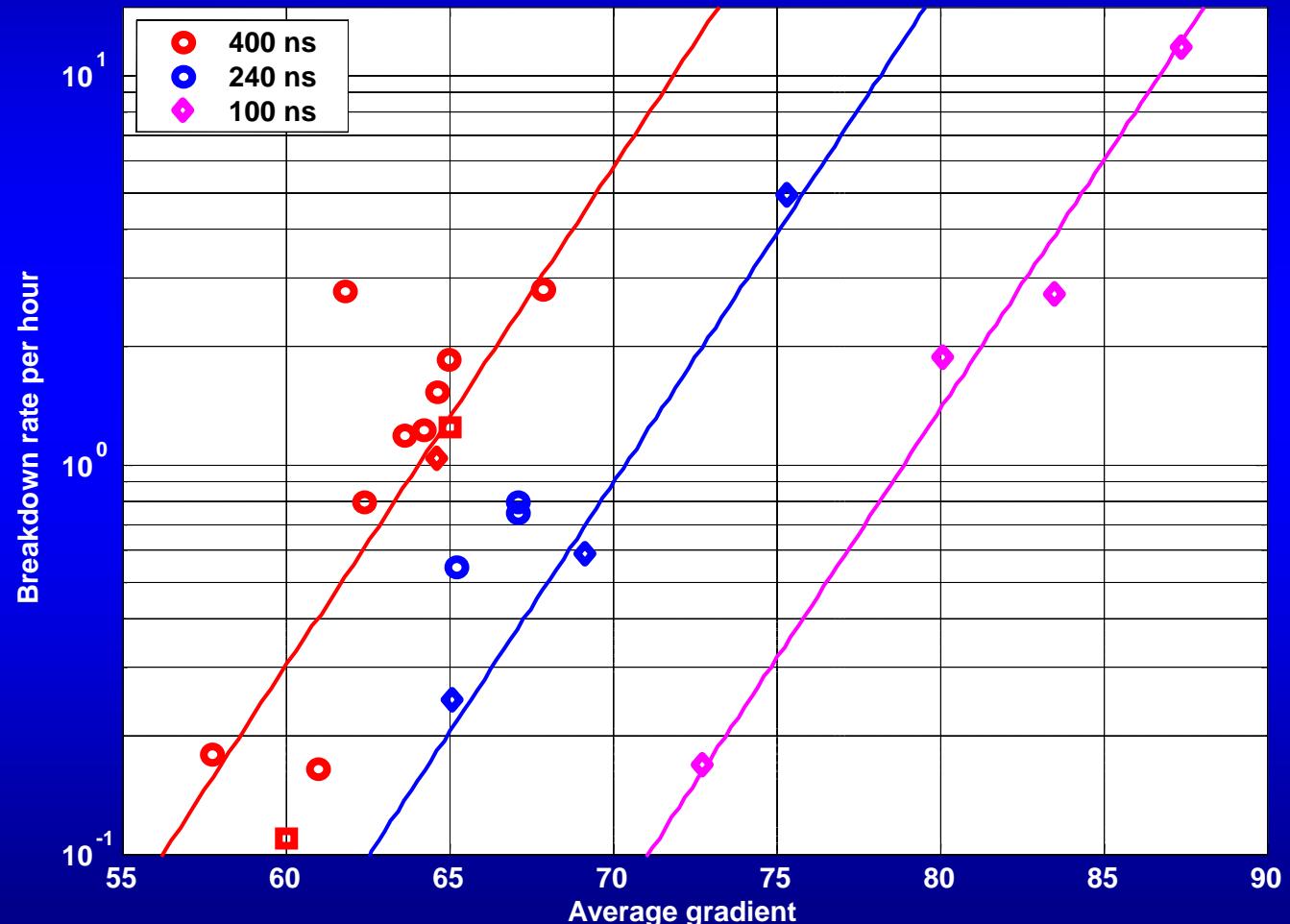


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Breakdown-rates vs pulse length



H90vg3N



Slope ϵ
 8 MV/m
per decade



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CERN- Mo/W - structures



Damped constant impedance
structure with Mo-irises

Length:	30 cm
Phase advance	120 deg
Group velocity:	45 %
Efficiency:	22
P_{in} (5 MV/m):	90 MW
Gusher:	mod launcher
Preparation:	Damping, no back



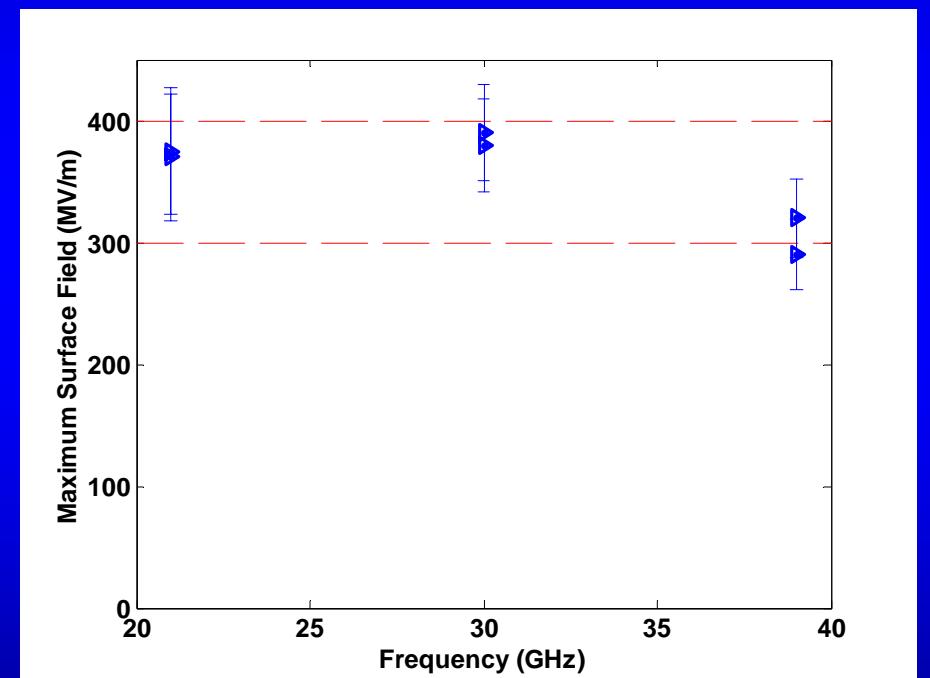
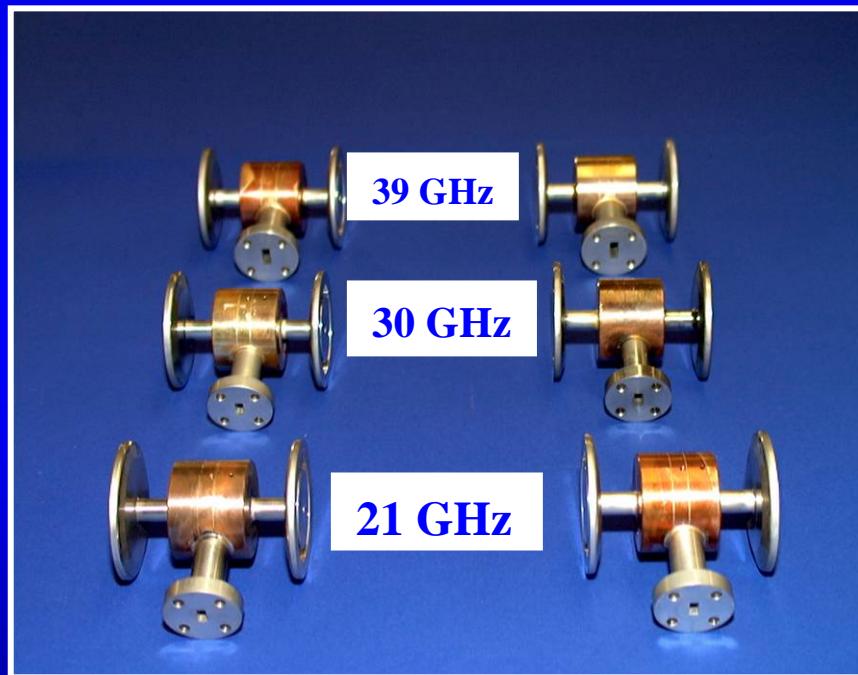


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Frequency dependence



High Gradient Single cells, CERN



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