



Reach of NC and SC Technologies, 50 ... 100 ... 200 MV/m?

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I was asked to give this presentation...
...because I'm **not** an expert!

... so don't expect too much,
I'll try and stay basic.

The work is from others,
the conclusions are mine



Photo by Belah Stargazing
“Hey, why don't we just
increase the limit?”

Press Release

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KEK pushes superconducting cavity to work at its theoretical limit

Oct 14, 2005

High Energy Accelerator Research Organization (KEK)

Team of accelerator physicists led by associate professor Kenji Saito, High Energy Accelerator Research Organization (KEK), successfully achieved 52.3 MV/m field gradient on Niobium superconducting accelerator cavity. This gradient is an equivalent to connecting 35 million AA battery cells in series into one meter.

The high gradient superconducting cavity is one of the most vital components in designing the next generation high energy accelerators such as the International Linear Collider (ILC). Existing superconducting cavities, such as the ones developed by DESY, used to achieve 41 MV/m. Saito's group tested two types of single-cell cavities designed based on present understanding of the nature of the surface field limitation. KEK also contributed with its surface cleaning technique with ultra-high pressure water cleaning for perfecting the surface of the cavity, which is originally developed for KEK B-factory.

The two types of cavities are: the re-entrant shape (RE) figure 1 (left), designed and manufactured by Cornell University group led by Professor Hasan Padamsee, and the low-loss shape (LL), designed in collaboration by KEK, JLab and DESY, and manufactured by KEK Mechanical Engineering Center, figure 1(right). At the liquid helium temperature (2 K), the RE shape achieved the field gradient 52.3 MV/m at $Q_0 = 0.97 \times 10^{10}$, which the LL shape achieved 47.3 MV/m at $Q_0 = 1.13 \times 10^{10}$ (Fig. 1). These values are the world records, and considered to be their theoretical limits with these cavity shapes.



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DESIGN OF A LOW LOSS SRF CAVITY FOR THE ILC

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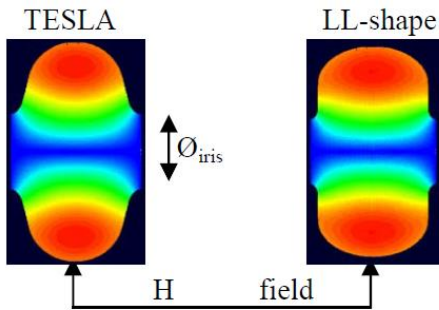
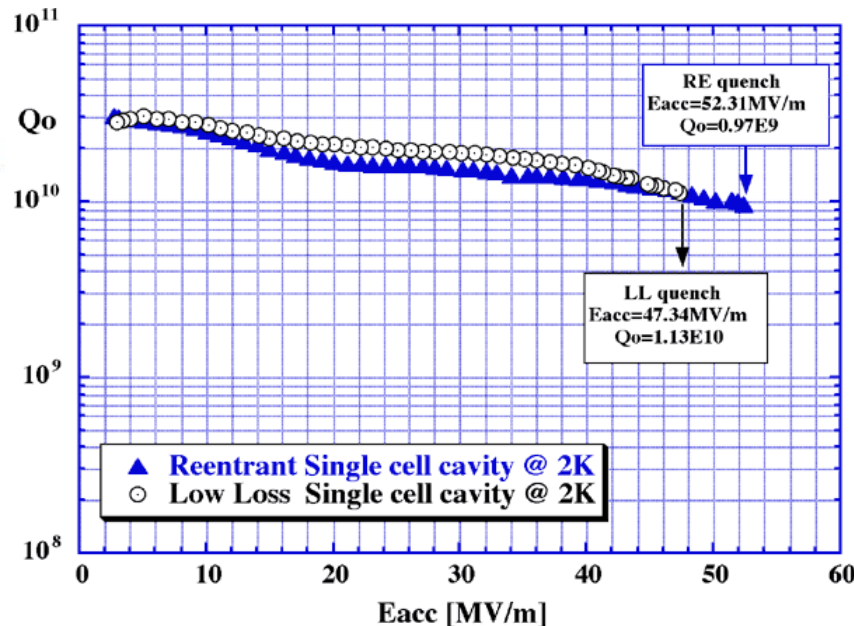


Figure 1: H contour in two shapes of inner cell.



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WORLD RECORD ACCELERATING GRADIENT ACHIEVED IN A SUPERCONDUCTING NIOBIUM RF CAVITY*

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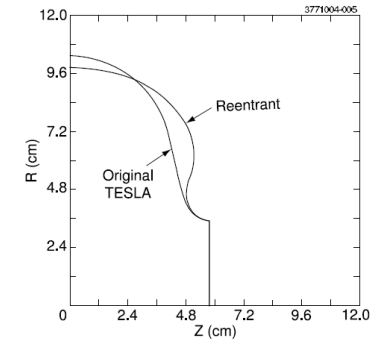
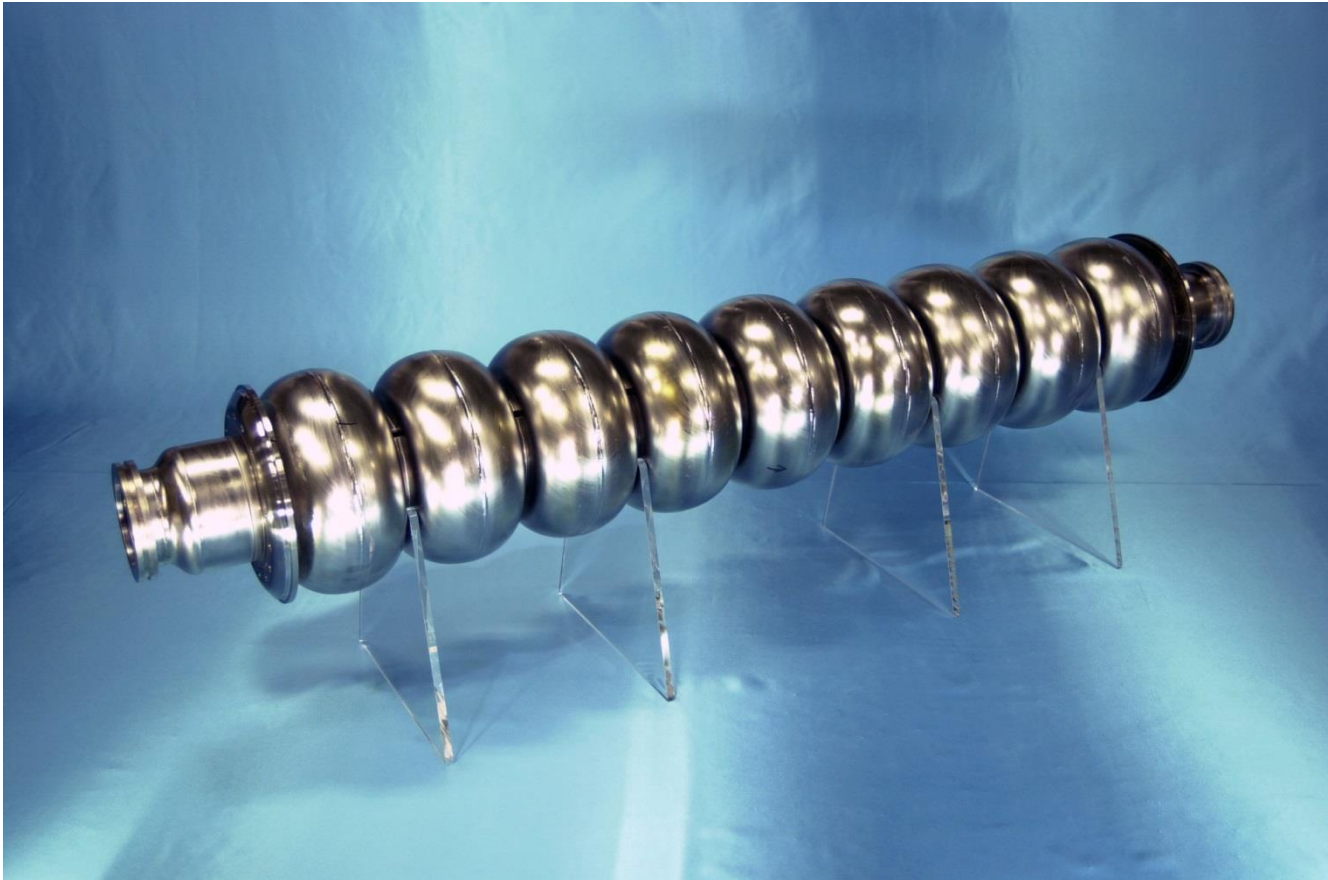


Figure 1: Half-cell contours of reentrant and original TESLA shape.



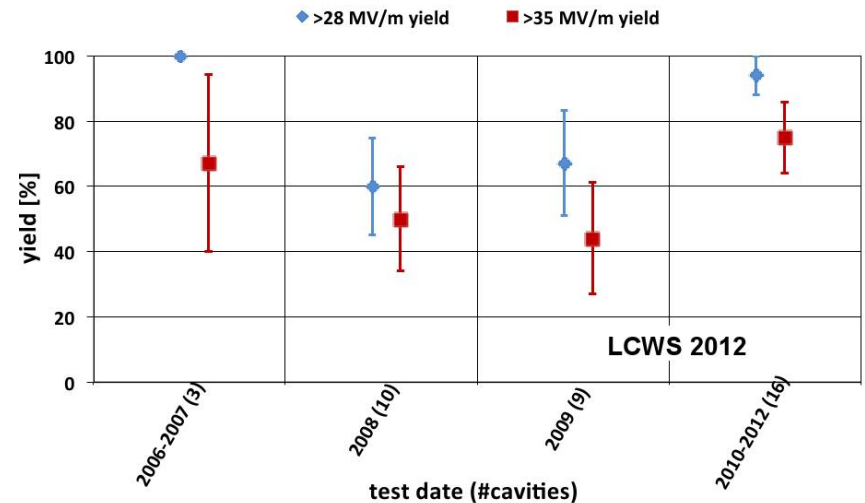
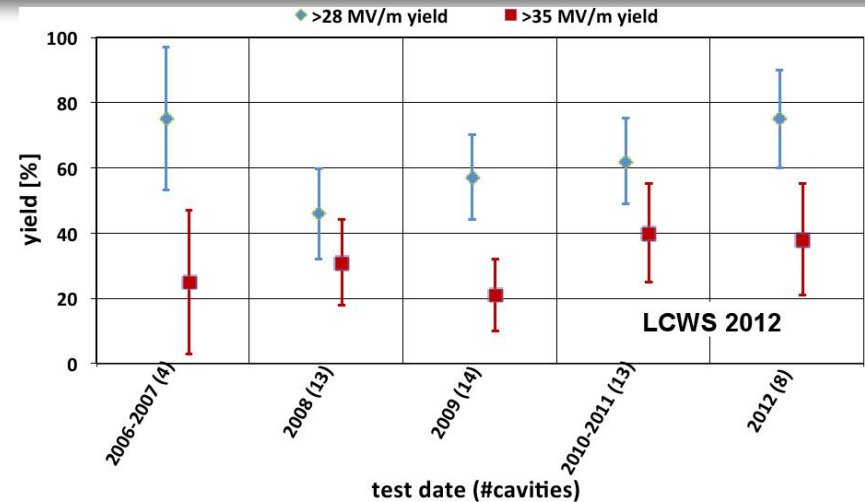
ILC 9-cell cavity

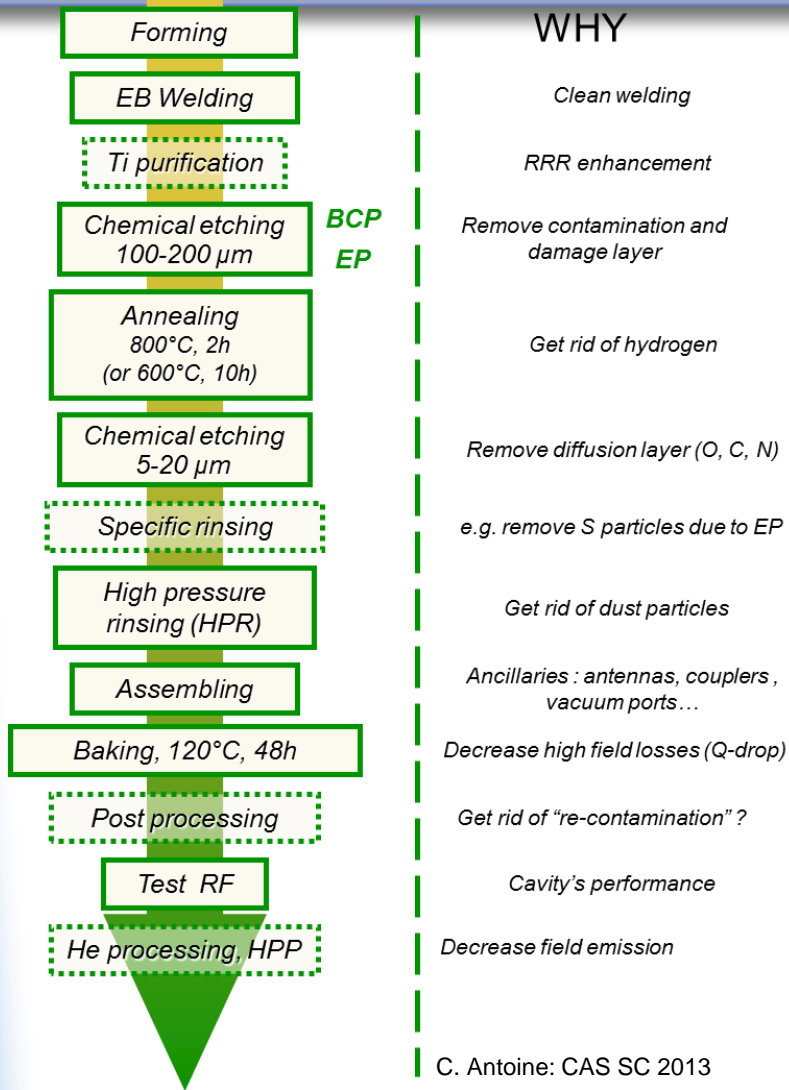


ILC RDR:
31.5 MV/m

ILC Newslines, Nov-2012

- Red: percentage of cavities that reached > 35 MV/m
- Blue: percentage of cavities that reached > 28 MV/m
- Top and bottom: two different vendors.





Preparing for EP (inserting cathode)

Photos: Rongli Geng

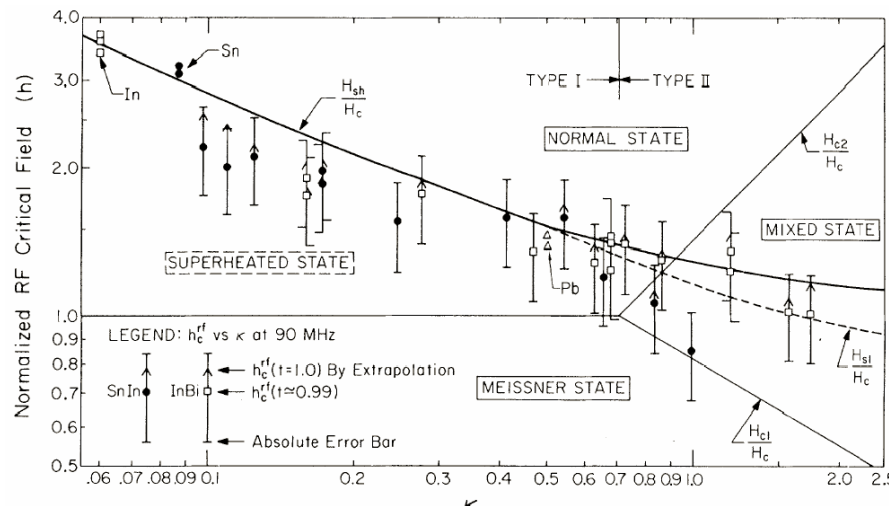


Clean room assembly (JLAB)

Other superconductors?

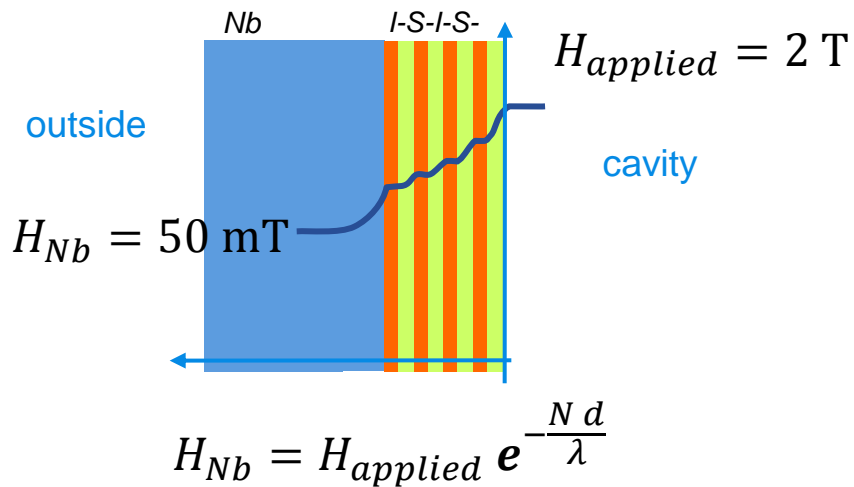
Material	T_c [K]	$H_c(0)$ [T]	$H_{c1}(0)$ [T]	H_{c2} [T]	λ_L [nm]
Pb	7.2	0.08			48
Nb	9.2	0.2	0.17	0.4	40
NbN	16.2	0.23	0.02	15	200
NbTiN	16.5		0.03		151
Nb ₃ Sn	18.3	0.54	0.05	30	85
MgB ₂	40	0.43	0.03	3.5	140
YBCO	93	1.4	0.01	100	150

Gurevich, 2007,
C. Antoine: CAS SC 2013



- Nb favoured for RF (largest H_{c1}).
- It would be great to use the superheated state for RF – limited by **fast vortex penetration**.
- Interesting – should be studied!
- If solved, 100 MV/m are in reach!

How to delay vortex penetration?



- Keep Nb, but shield surface from RF field to prevent vortex penetration
- Use nanometric films ($w, d < \lambda$) of higher T_c superconductor.
- Example, NbN: $\xi = 5 \text{ nm}$, $\lambda = 200 \text{ nm}$, 20 nm film:

$$H_{c1} = 4.2 \text{ T}$$

This is a very promising increase of a factor 200 !!!!

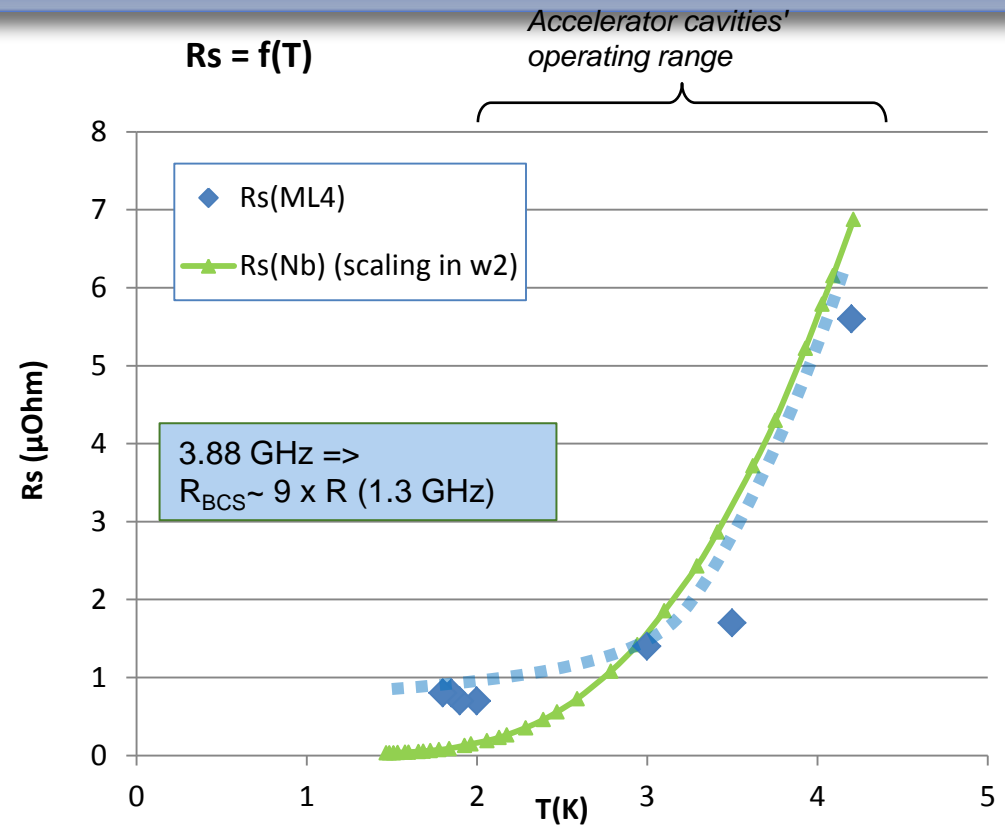
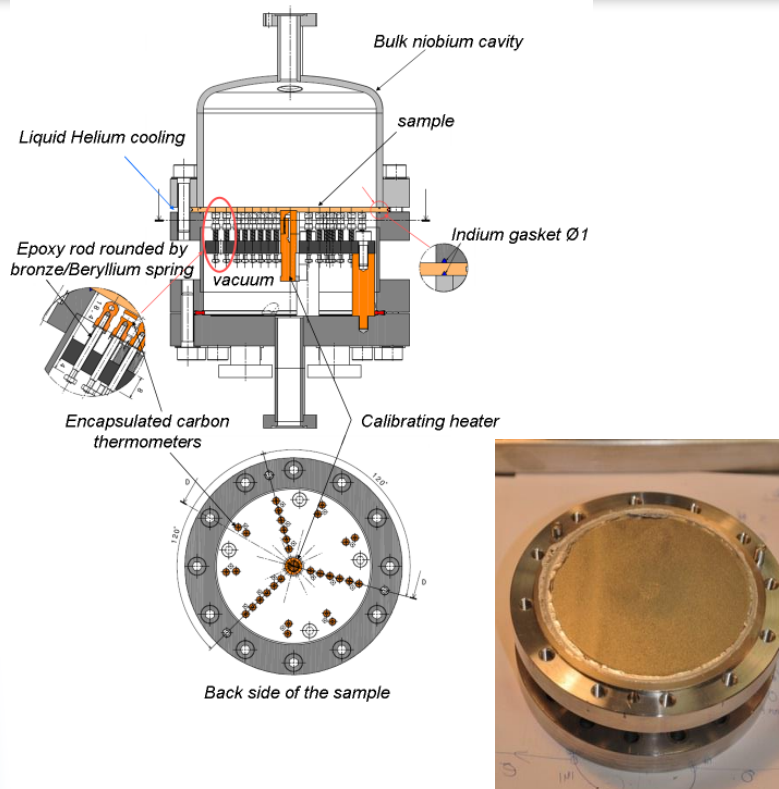
- Similar improvement to be expected from MgB_2 or Nb_3Sn !

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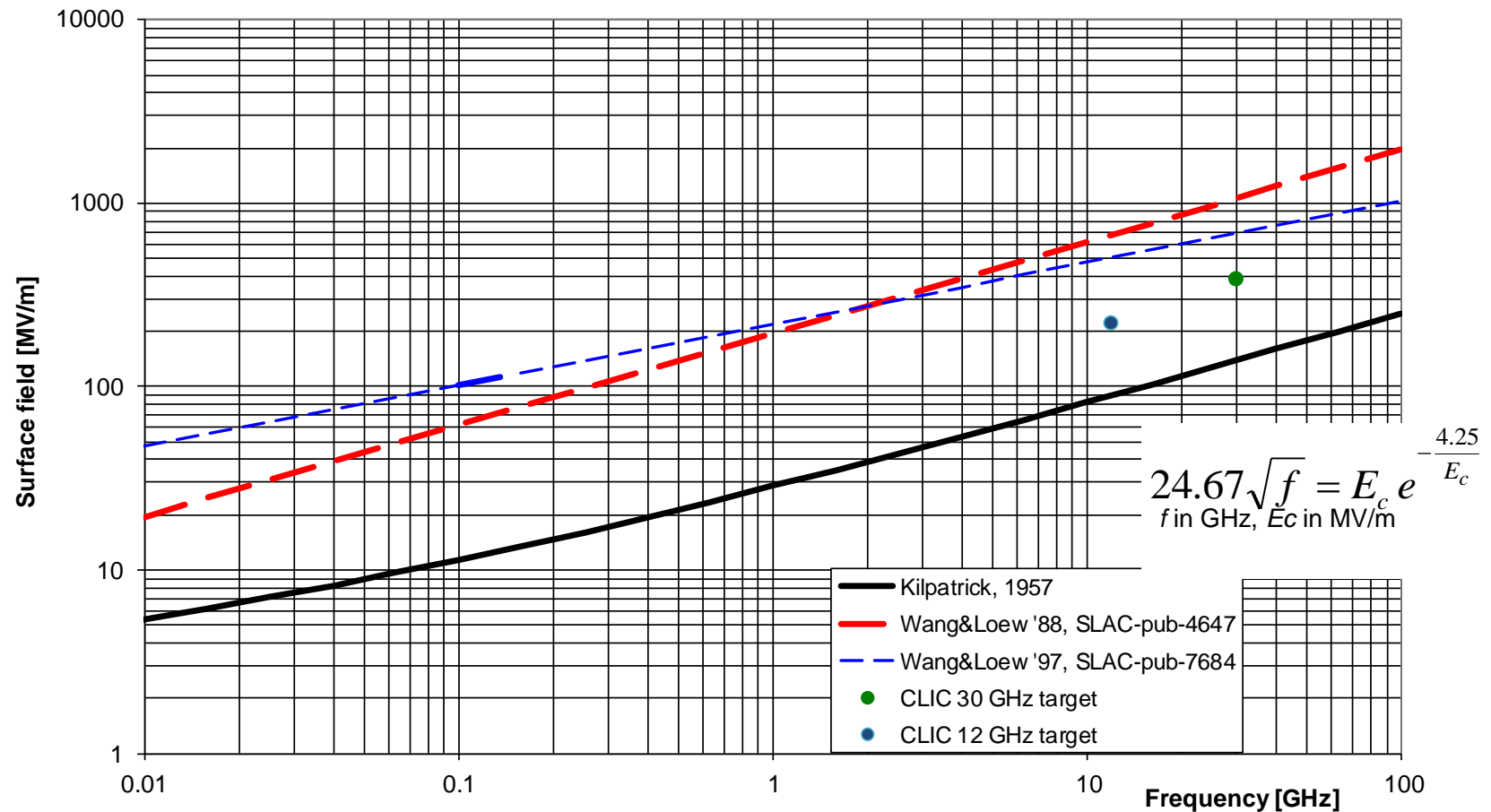
Image from Gurevich's SRF2007 presentation

Some days we just get stuck, and bogged down.
Some days all you can do is smile and wait for someone to kindly
remove your butt from the hole you find it wedged into.



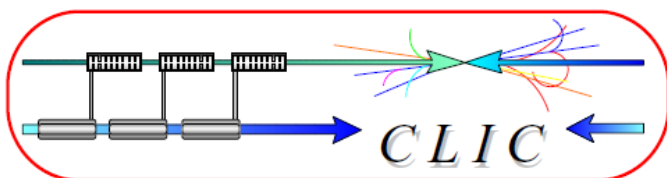
- Comparison is done with a high performance 1.3 GHz Nb cavity (scaled with ω^2)
- Indium gasket presents some defects measured with thermometric map => extra RF losses
- Residual resistance comes from NbN + bulk Nb substrate + indium gasket. Further investigations needed.

- **Tremendous progress has been made with Nb cavities!**
- **ILC – the state of the art!**
 - Single cell – reached 53 MV/m
 - Production aims at 31.5 MV/m
- **The limit is the surface magnetic field – Nb is now used near this limit**
- **performance of SC cavities limited by surface quality!**
- **H_{SH} looks interesting, but is hard to reach in real cavities.**
- **Multilayers have the potential to extend the reach significantly**
 - ... but this technology is not ready yet and needs study!

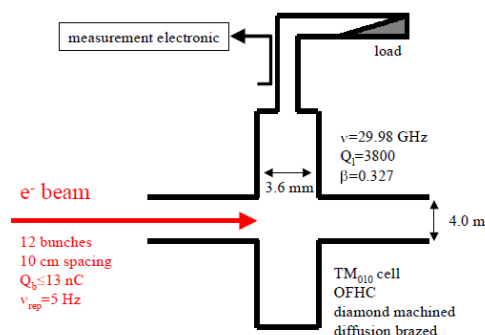


Normal conducting, on Cu

These limits are now known to be wrong – better models exist



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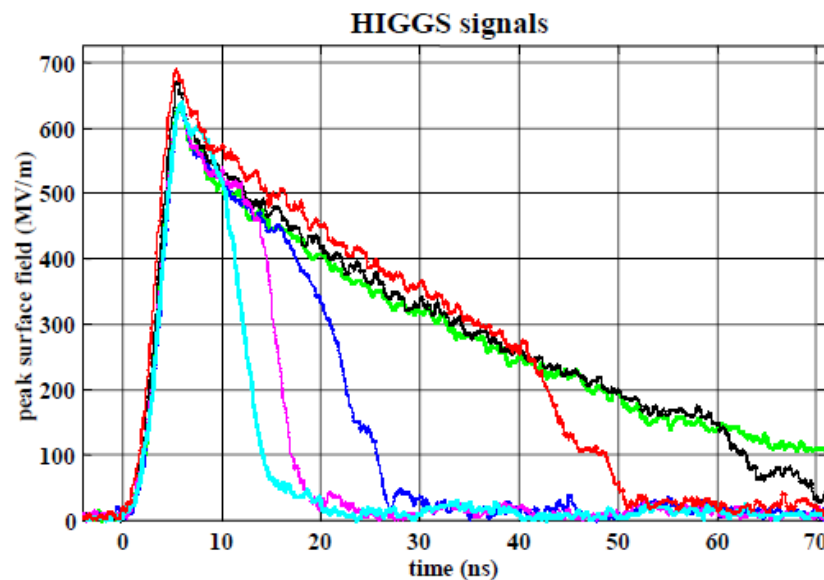


peak surface field	observations	surface temperature rise (estimated)
540 MV/m	no break downs	44 K
590 MV/m	onset of breakdowns	53 K
750 MV/m	break downs on every pulse, few ns after max. E(t)	85 K

Delayed RF breakdown in a microwave cavity

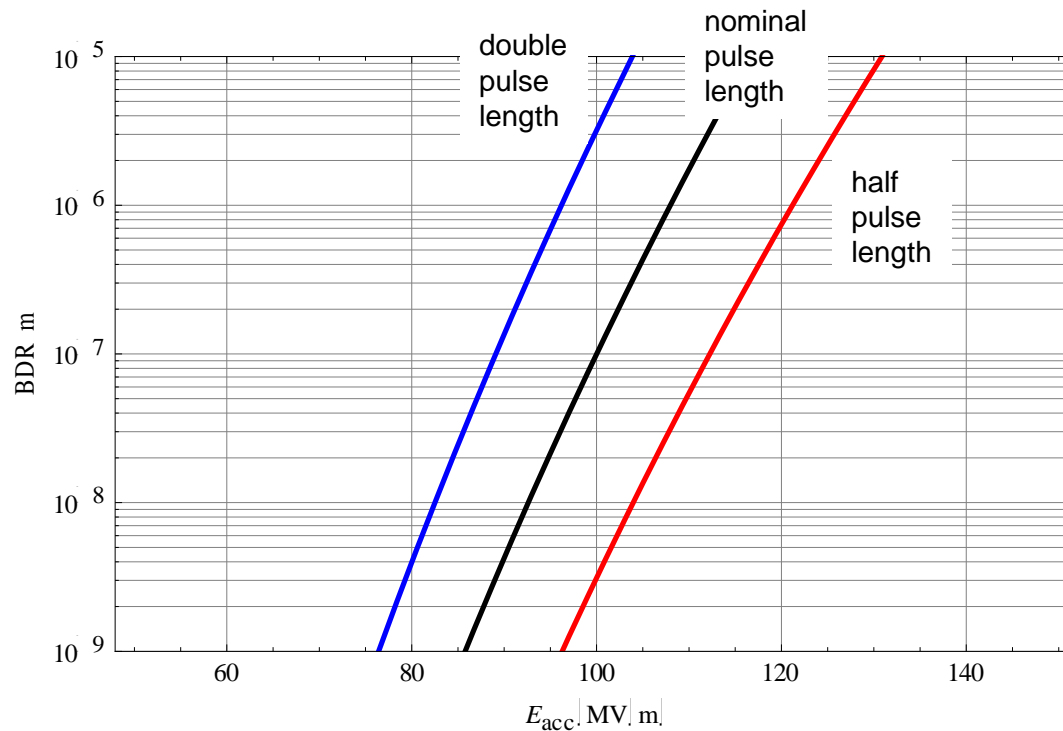
G. Geschonke and W. Schnell

Geneva, Switzerland
3 April 2000



... but: too many sparks

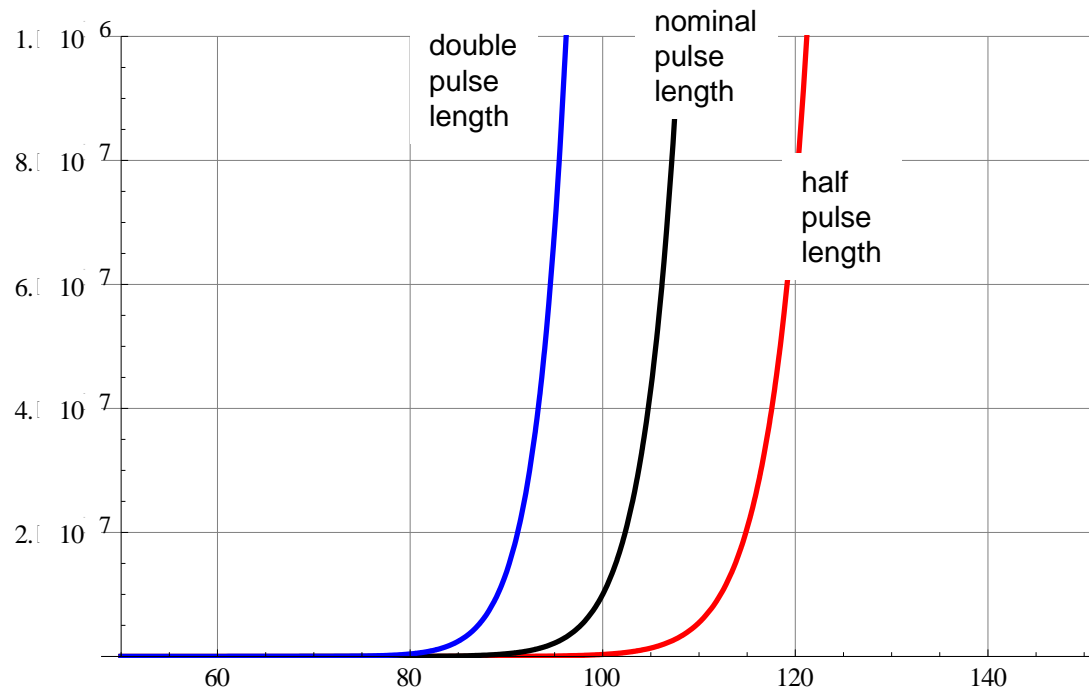
Observed: $BDR \propto E^{30} \tau^5$



... this is quite a hard limit:

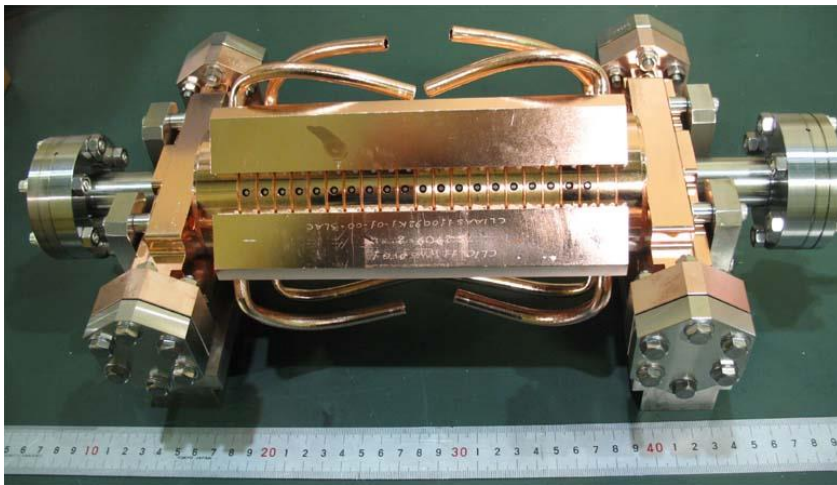
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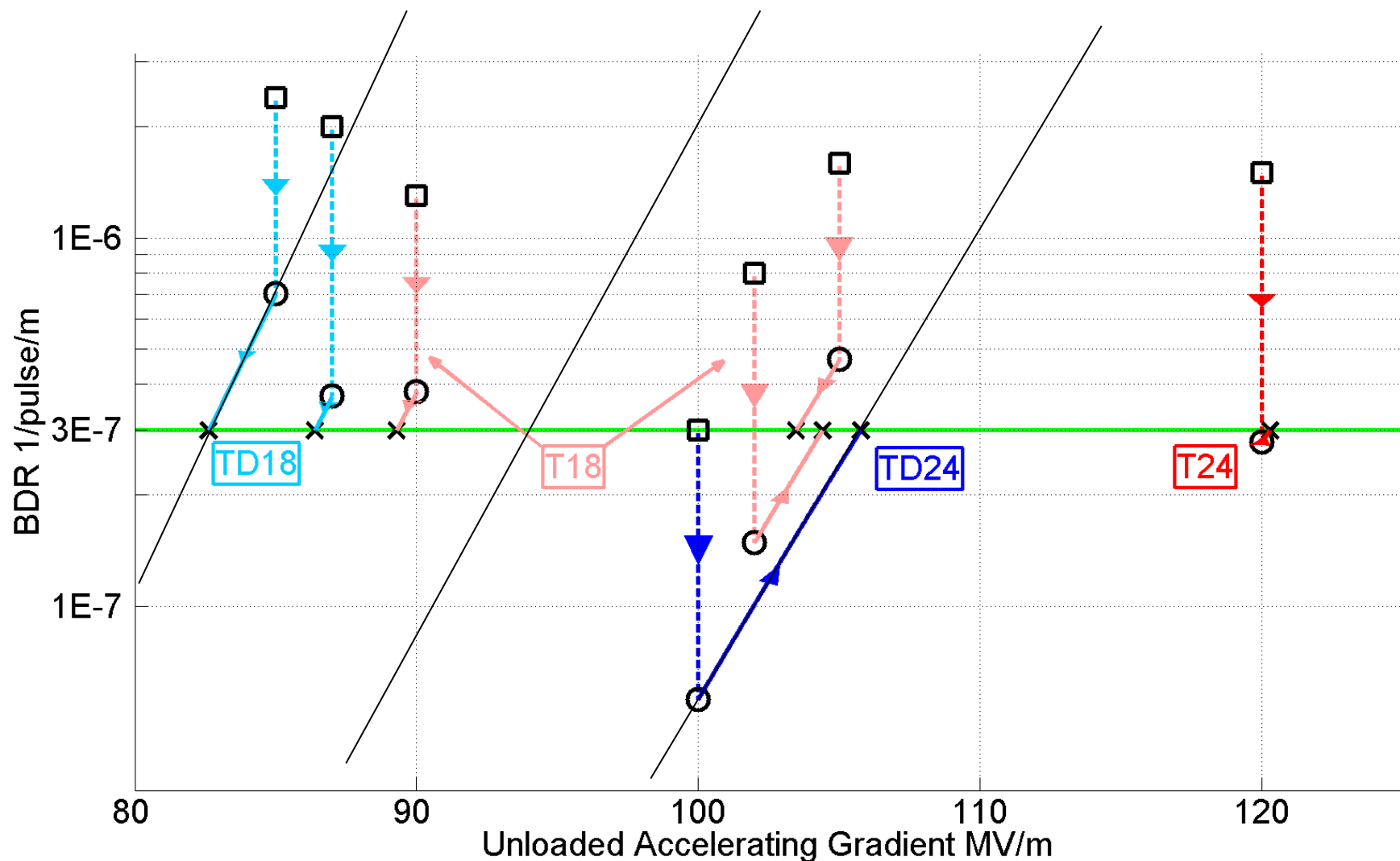


The rapid increase of the breakdown rate indicates some **drastic** changes near the surface!

- Target 100 MV/m accelerating gradient
- This target is reached – at the correct BDR and with correct pulse length!



EuCARD Achieved accelerating gradients

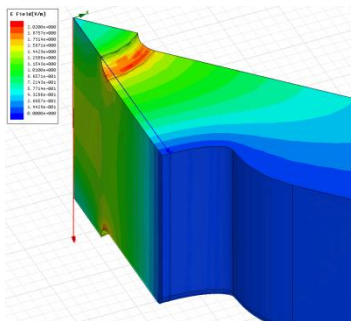


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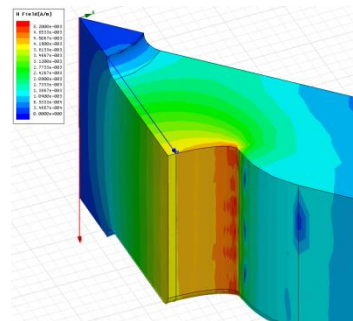
What limits the acc. gradient?

- Electric surface field (Field emission, CLIC: 230 MV/m)
- Ratio $E_{surface}/E_{acc}$, about 2.2 for CLIC
- Magnetic surface field (surface current density)
- Max. pulsed surface heating (CLIC: 45 K)
- Modified Poynting vector S_c

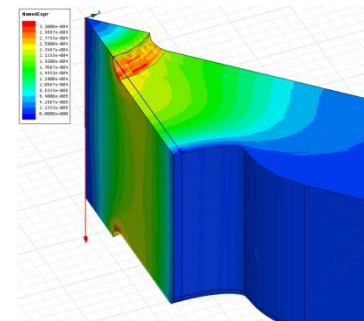
$E_{surface}/E_{acc}$



$H_{surface}/E_{acc}$



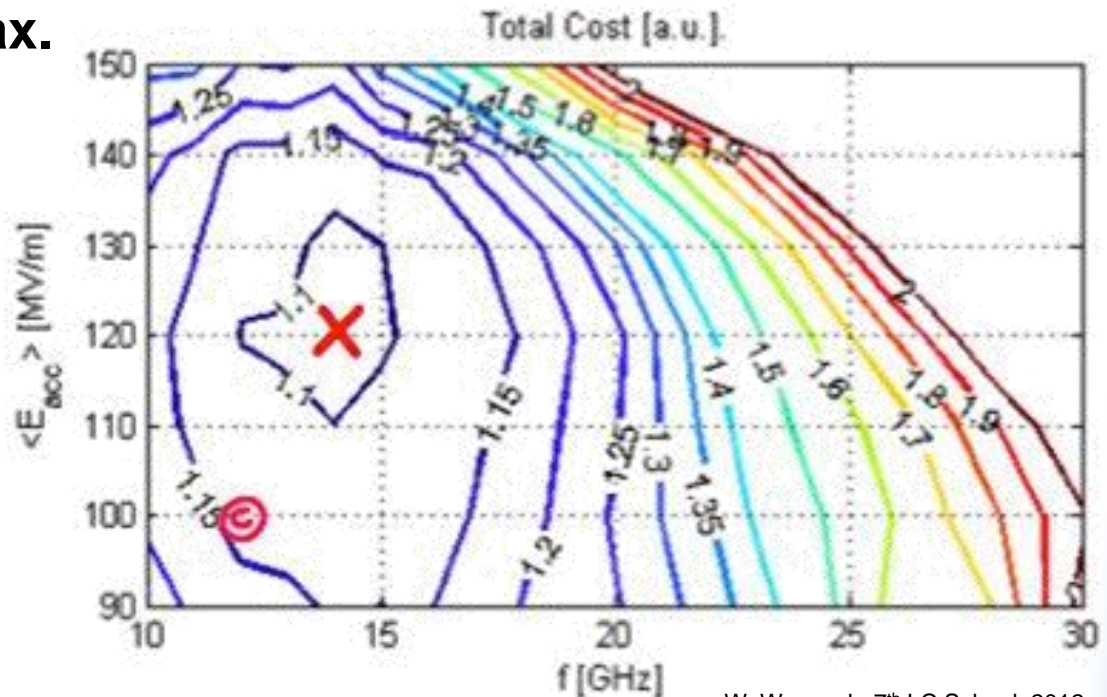
S_c



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This allows optimization

- Define a figure of merit (FoM) to evaluate one given CLIC design/parameter set (here $FoM = -cost$)
- Define parameters to fully describe the design/parameter set
 - e.g. gradient, frequency, phase advance, aperture, ...
- Define constraints (max. surface fields, ΔT , ...)
- Run optimization algorithm ...



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$$FoM = L_{bx} / N \cdot \eta$$

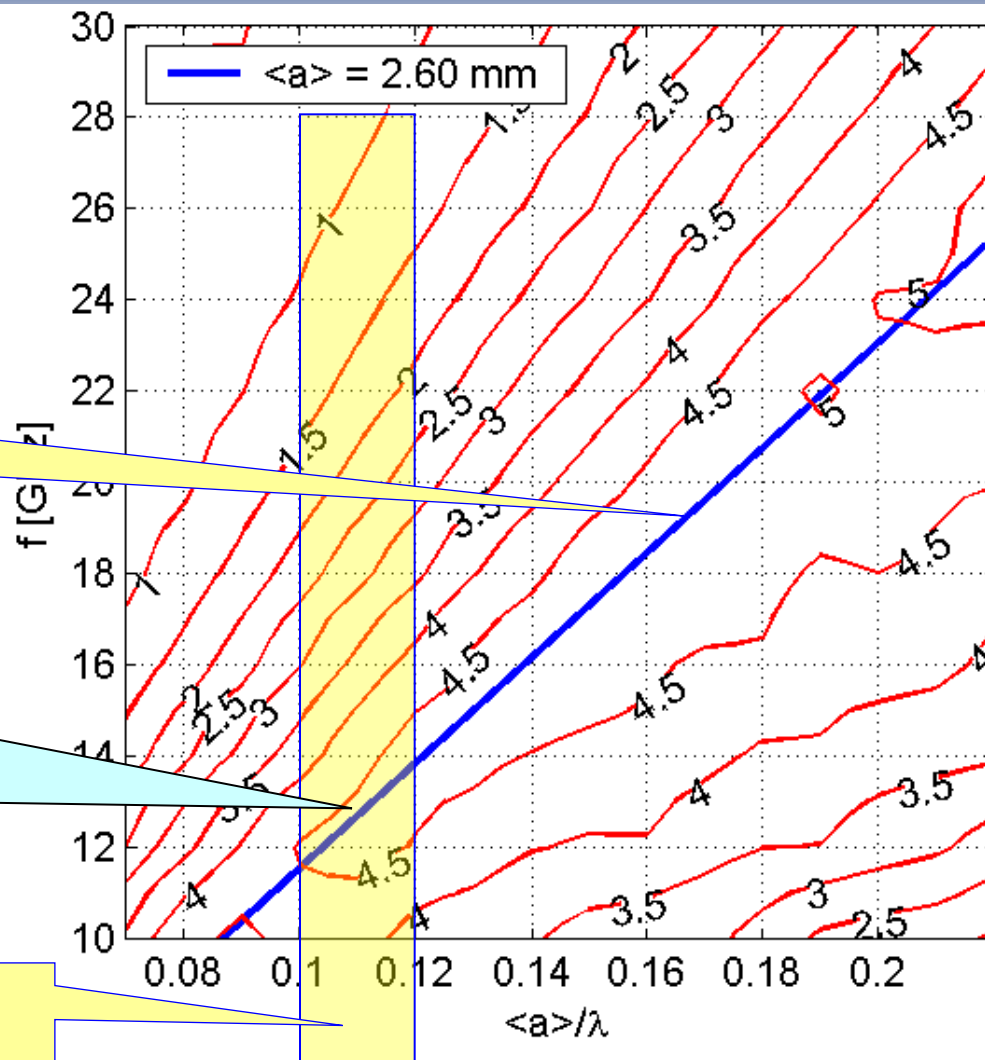
BD

RF

From beam dynamics: optimum aperture $\langle a \rangle = 2.6$ mm

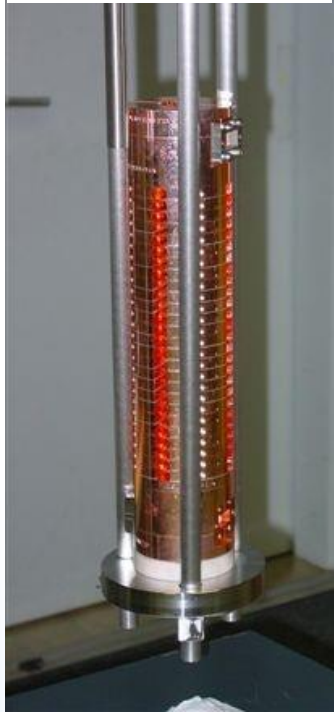
Why X-band ?
Crossing gives optimum frequency

High-power RF optimum aperture:
 $\langle a \rangle / \lambda = 0.1 \dots 0.12$

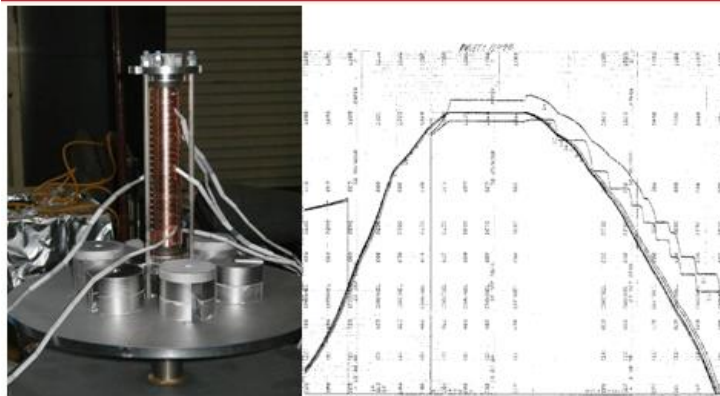


A. Grudiev, Structure Optimization

Disk stacking



Diffusion Bonding of T18_vg2.4_DISC



Pressure: 60 PSI (60 LB for this structure disks)
Holding for 1 hour at 1020°C

Vacuum Baking of T18_vg2.4_DISC



650° C
10 days

Single point diamond turning

Up to the 1980's

First machines at research institutes and universities



1980's - 1990's

Start of industrialization

- Optical recording
- contact lenses



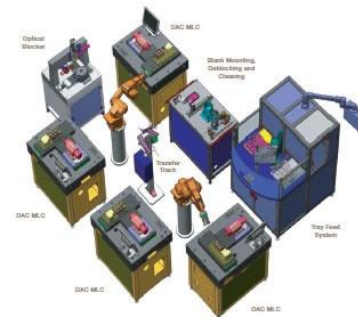
2000's - 2010's

- Larger machines
- Multiple axis (X/Y/Z and C)



Future ?

- Intelligent machines ?
- Robotisation ?



Ultra precision diamond milling (lagging more than a decade behind on turning)

Up to the 1990's

Limited to fly cutting

- mirror optics
- Laser scanner mirrors



1990's - 2000's

Milling as add-on on lathes

- Lens arrays
- Intra ocular lenses



2010's

First proto type machines

- Micro fluidics
- Accelerator parts



Future ?

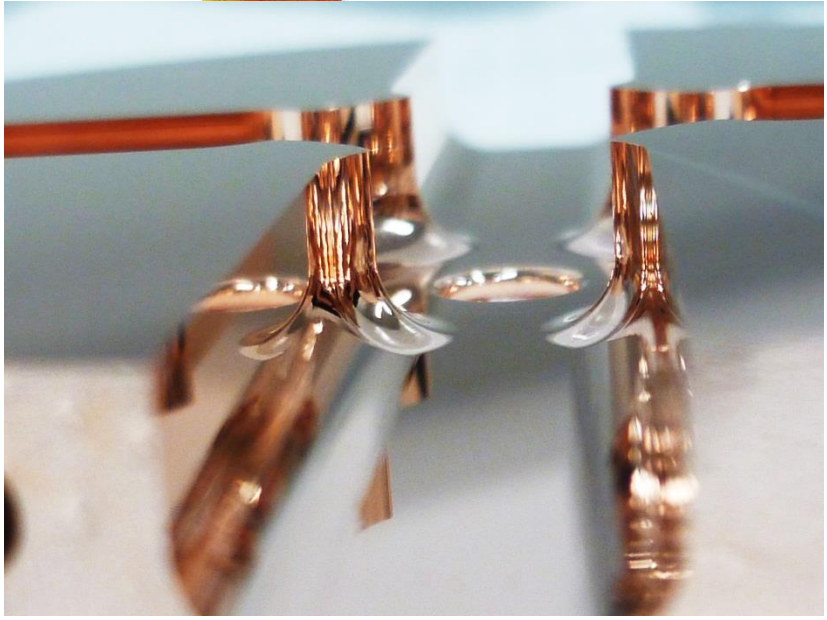
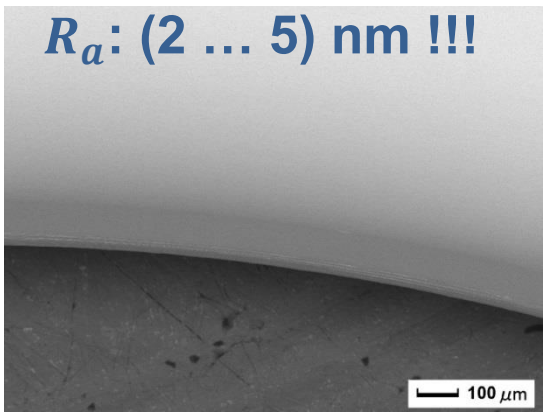
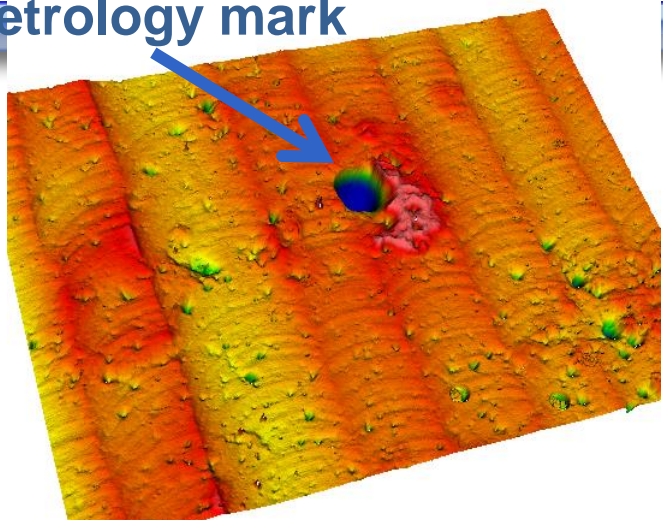
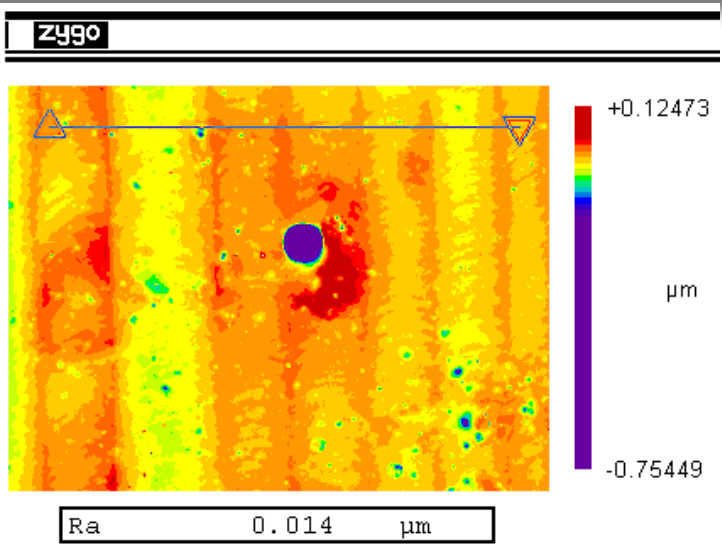
- Pallet machining?
- Robotisation ?





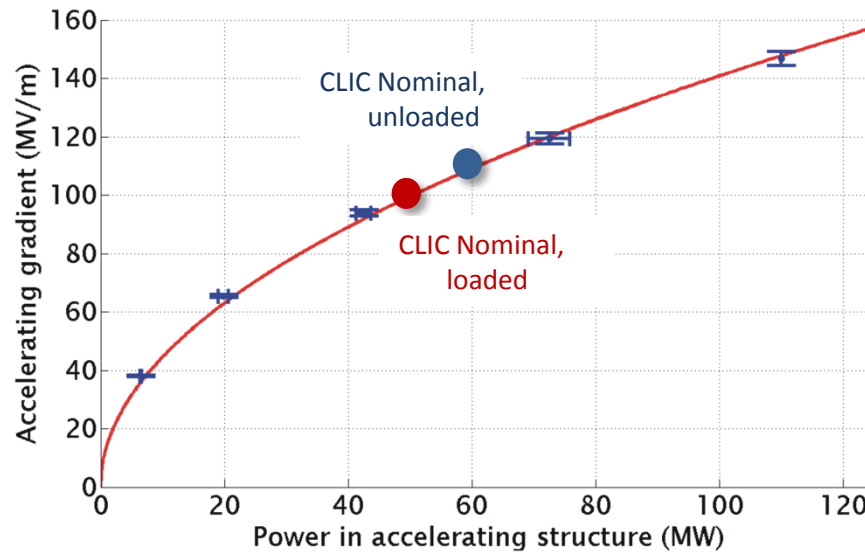
EuCARD High precision machining, surface finish

Metrology mark

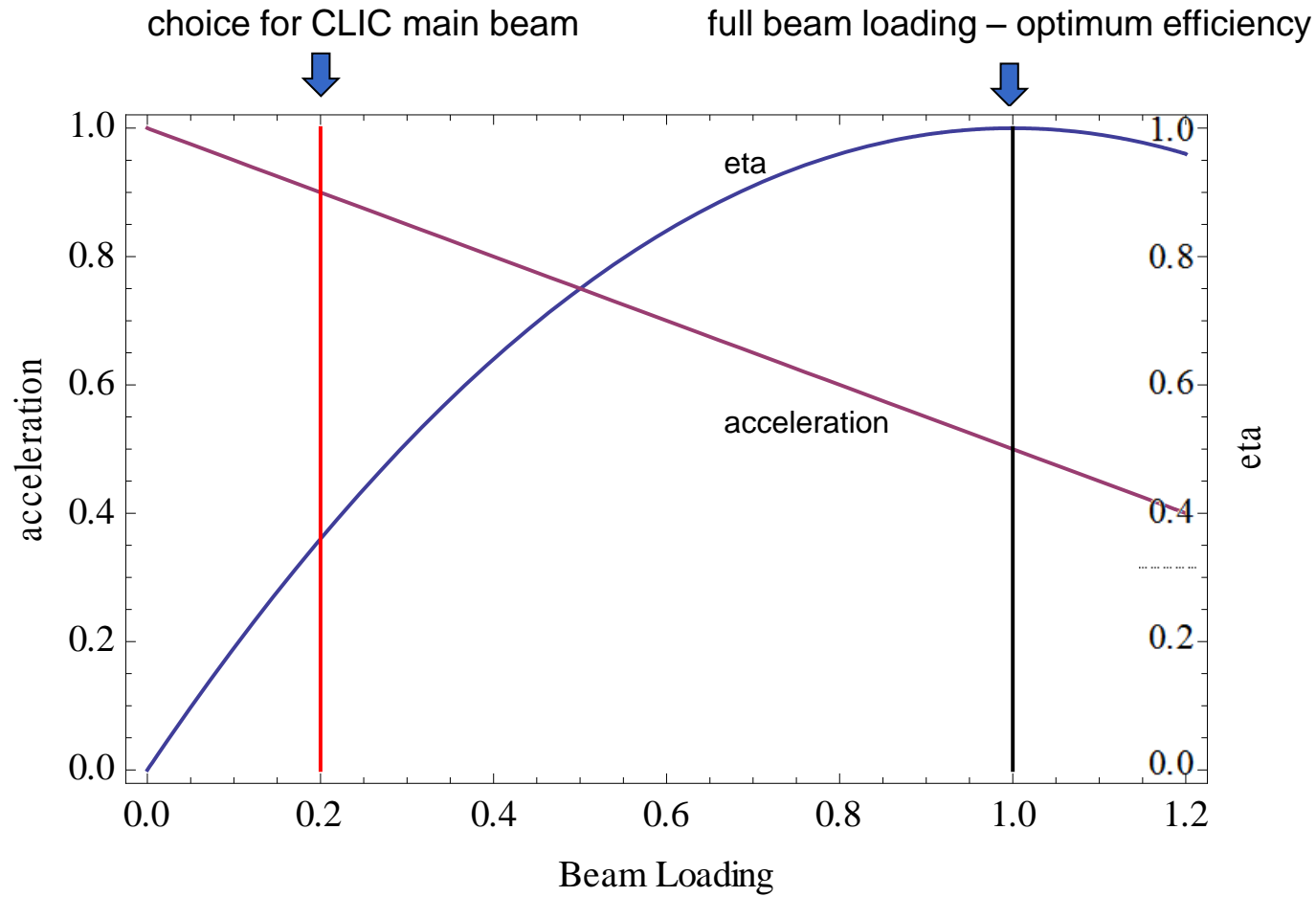


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Approximately: $60 \frac{\text{MW}}{22 \text{ cm}} \left(\frac{E_{acc}}{100 \text{ MV/m}} \right)^2$



Beam Loading – allows efficiency!



- Tremendous progress has been made in material science, fabrication and joining techniques with NC accelerating structures.
- **CLIC – the state of the art!**
 - The goal of 100 MV/m loaded gradient, with correct pulse length and BDR, has been demonstrated
 - In individual cells, 150 MV/m are regularly reached.
- **The breakdown rate is a very steep function of the field – an indication that *something drastic* happens near the metal surface when operating close to the limit**
- **The latter needs deeper study to find mitigation eventually!**

- The R&D programs for both NC and SC have triggered fantastic progress in technology, cutting edge fabrication techniques, material science, ...
- Both technologies have a major impact on industry
- With present day technology, the reach for NC seems to be $< 150 \text{ MV/m}$, limited by a sharp increase in BDR; for Nb based SC, the limit seems to be $< 50 \text{ MV/m}$, limited by H_{c1} .
- To go beyond, the secret lies at the surface (and just beneath)!