

Frequency tuning of the HIE-ISOLDE high- β quarter-wave resonator

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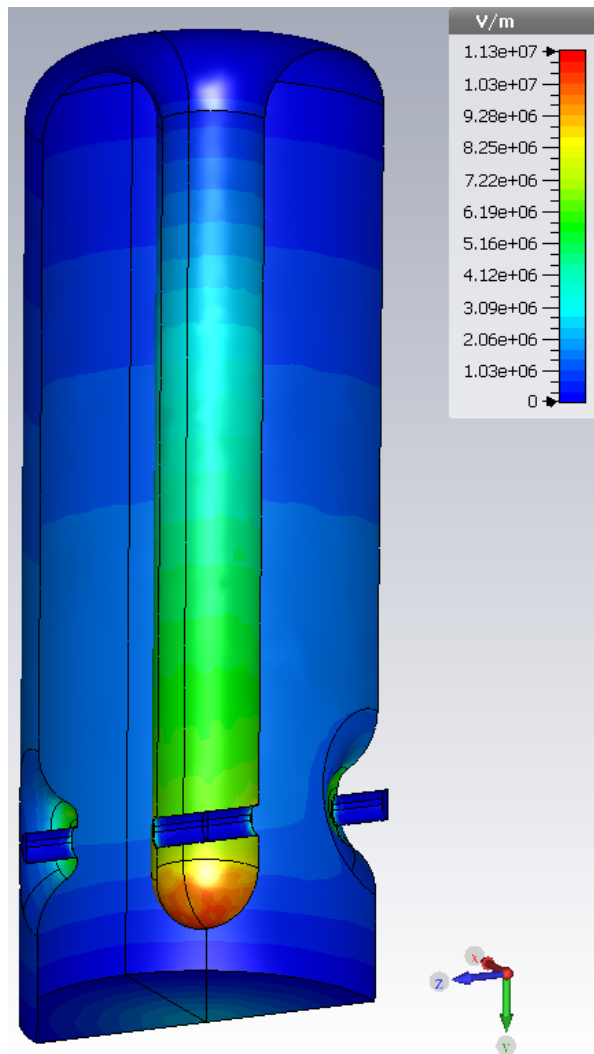
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Outline

- Brief introduction to the cavity
- Why the frequency need to be tuned?
- How the frequency is tuned?
- Summary

High- β quarter wave resonator

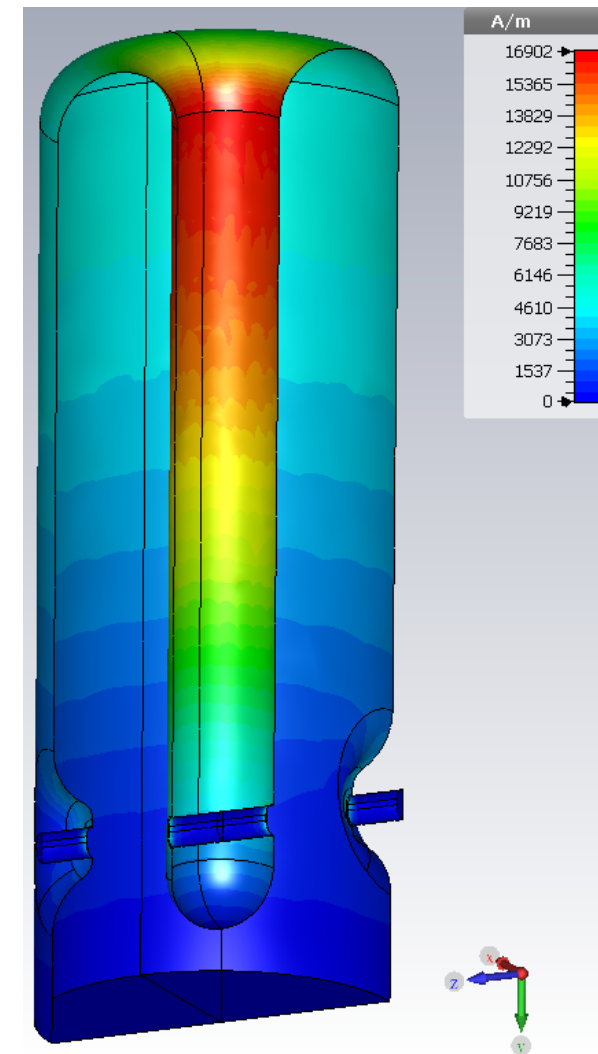
|E| field



Niobium coated on copper

Frequency	101.28 MHz
E_{acc}	6 MV/m
$\beta_{optimum}$	10.9%
R/Q	553 Ω
E_{peak}/E_{acc}	5.0
H_{peak}/E_{acc}	95.6 G/(MV/m)
$G=R_s Q$	30.7 Ω
P_c	7.7 W

|H| field



All plots are normalized to 1J of stored energy

Decouple the frequency tuning

Design frequency: 101.28 MHz (4.5K in vacuum)

Cool-down process
4.5K → 293K
Vacuum → air

Mechanical tolerance
(0.1 mm)

Cavity length

Lorentz detuning

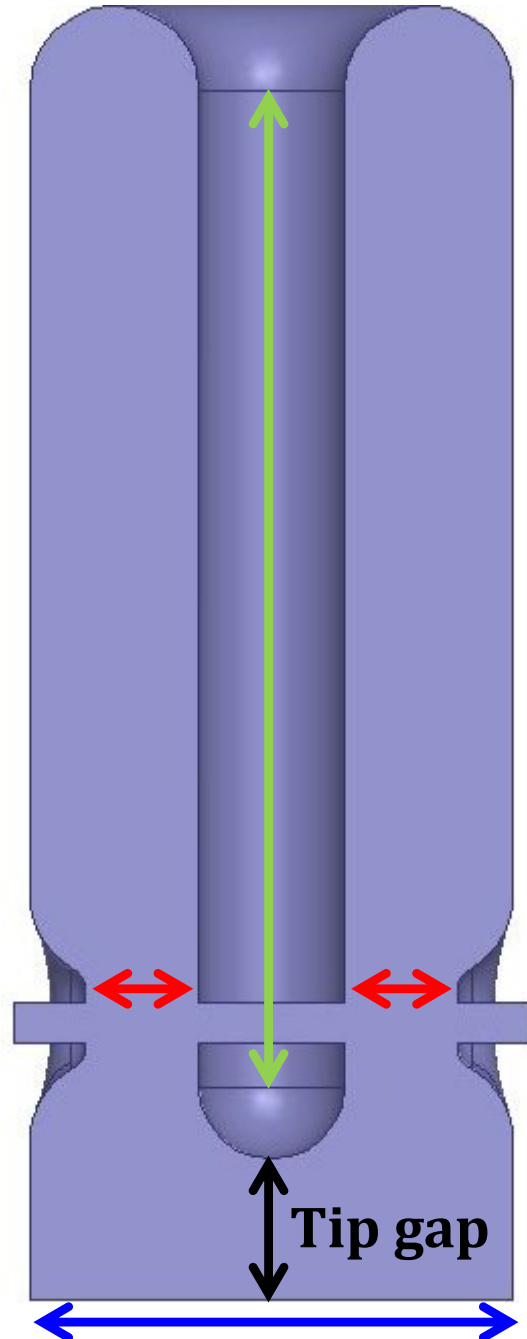
Tuning system

Microphonics

Negligible

Niobium coating
Coupler penetration

Δf due to mechanical tolerance

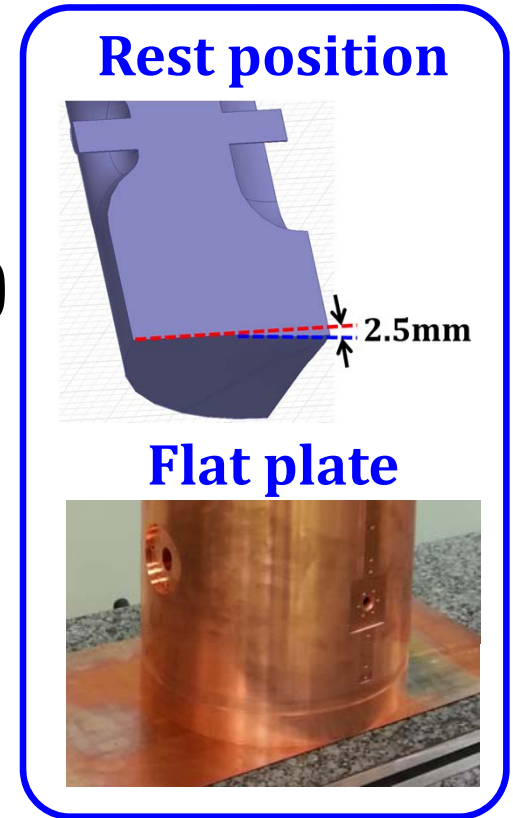
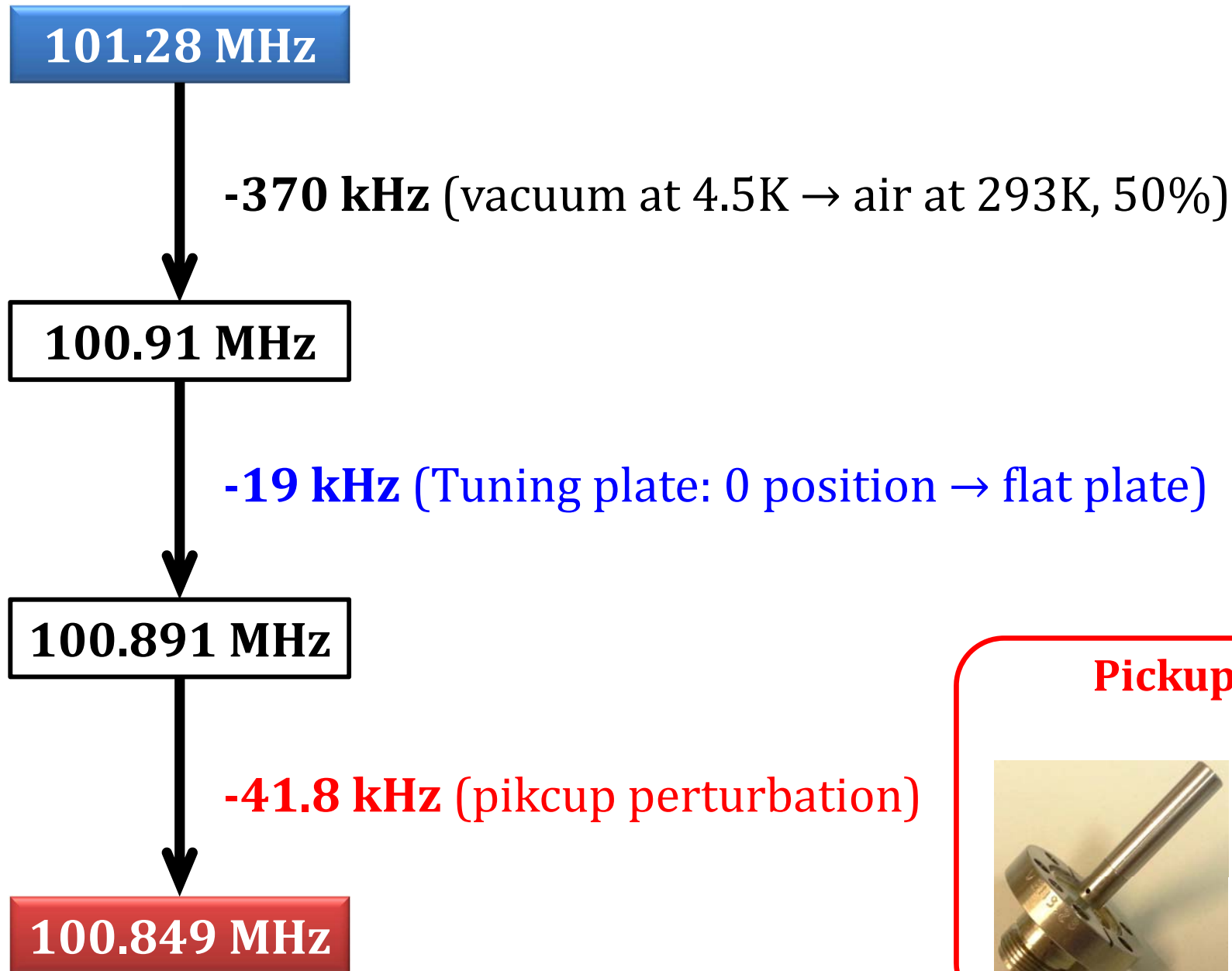


Type of error	Δf (kHz/mm)
Inner conductor length	160
Cavity diameter	65
Nose length	50

- Δf due to mechanical tolerance of 0.1mm
- 28 kHz in worst case
- Frequency sensitivity of changing tip gap
- 18kHz/mm (@ tip gap 77.5mm)
- Use **tip gap** as a free parameter to **compensate** the mechanical tolerance

A tuning method is required.

The target frequency



Frequency vs. temperature & humidity

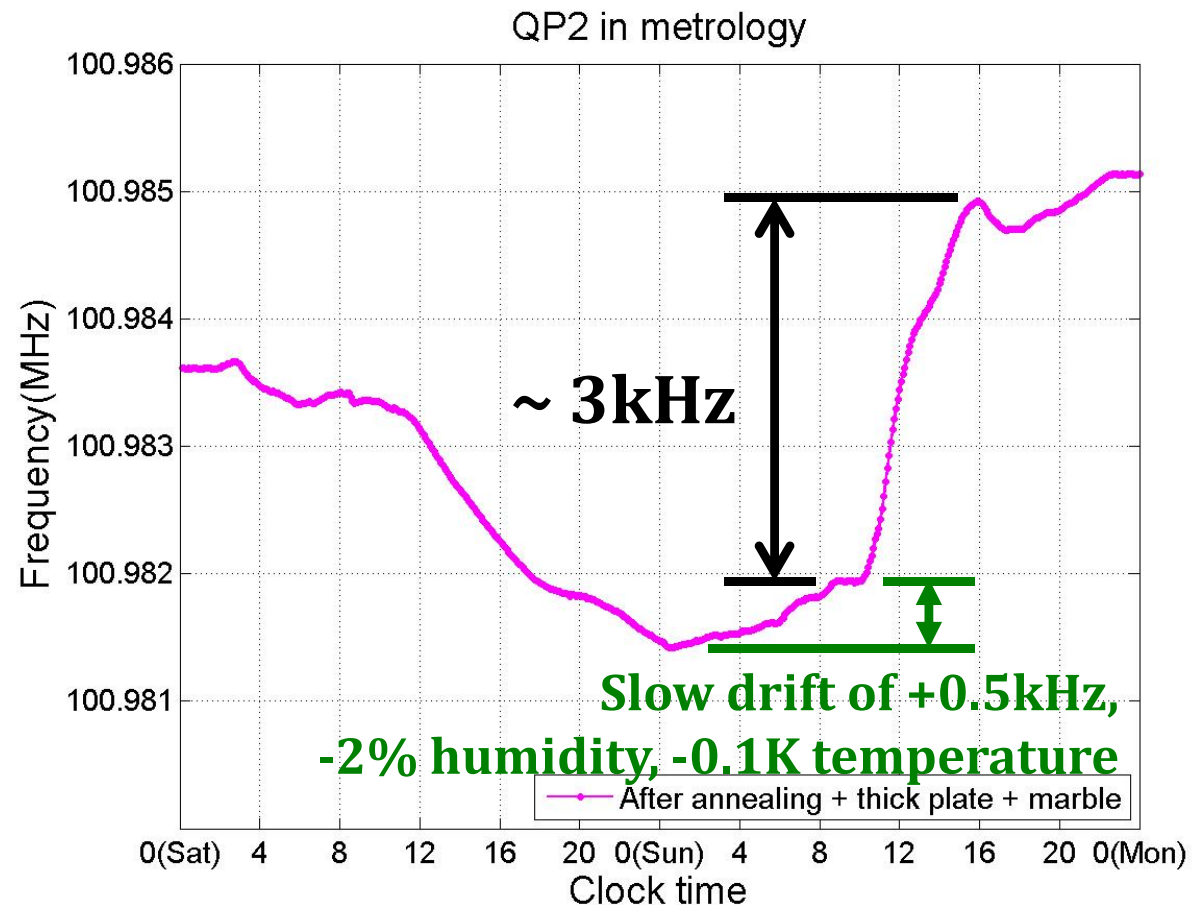
	Δ	Sunday	Δf (calculation)
Temperature	- 1.2K	9:00 – 11:00	+2.4 kHz
Humidity	- 5%	11:00 – 15:00	+0.5 kHz

1 hour delay observed for the frequency to respond the temperature changes

Correct every measured frequency to 20°C and 50% humidity

From calculation

	Δf
Humidity $\pm 10\%$ (nominal: 50%)	∓ 1 kHz
Temperature ± 1 K (thermal + ϵ_{air})	∓ 2 kHz



The tuning of QP2.1

Trimming	Measured Freq.	Ideal Freq.	Δf	Tip gap
0 mm	101.0059 MHz	100.9953 MHz	+10.6 kHz	87.5 mm
10 mm	100.8544 MHz			77.5 mm
10.3 mm	100.849 MHz			77.3 mm

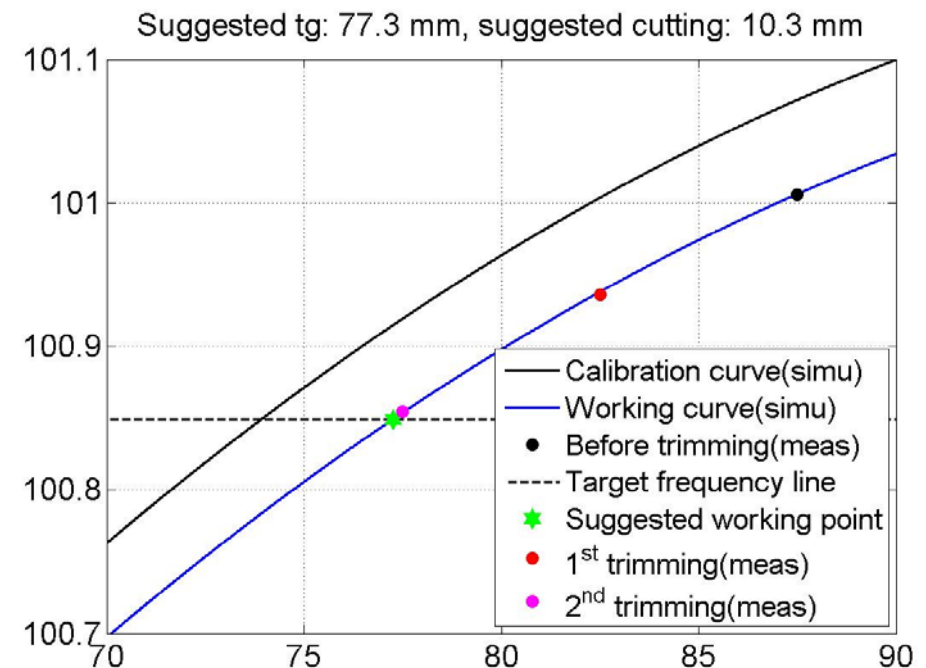
$$\Delta f = 100.8544 - 100.849 = 5.4\text{kHz}$$

77.9 mm

$$0.3\text{mm} * 18\text{kHz/mm} = 5.4\text{kHz} \text{ (@tg = 77.5mm, the sensitivity is 18kHz/mm)}$$

In summary, if we cut the cavity by **exactly 10.3mm**, the frequency measured will be less than **1kHz** away from the target.

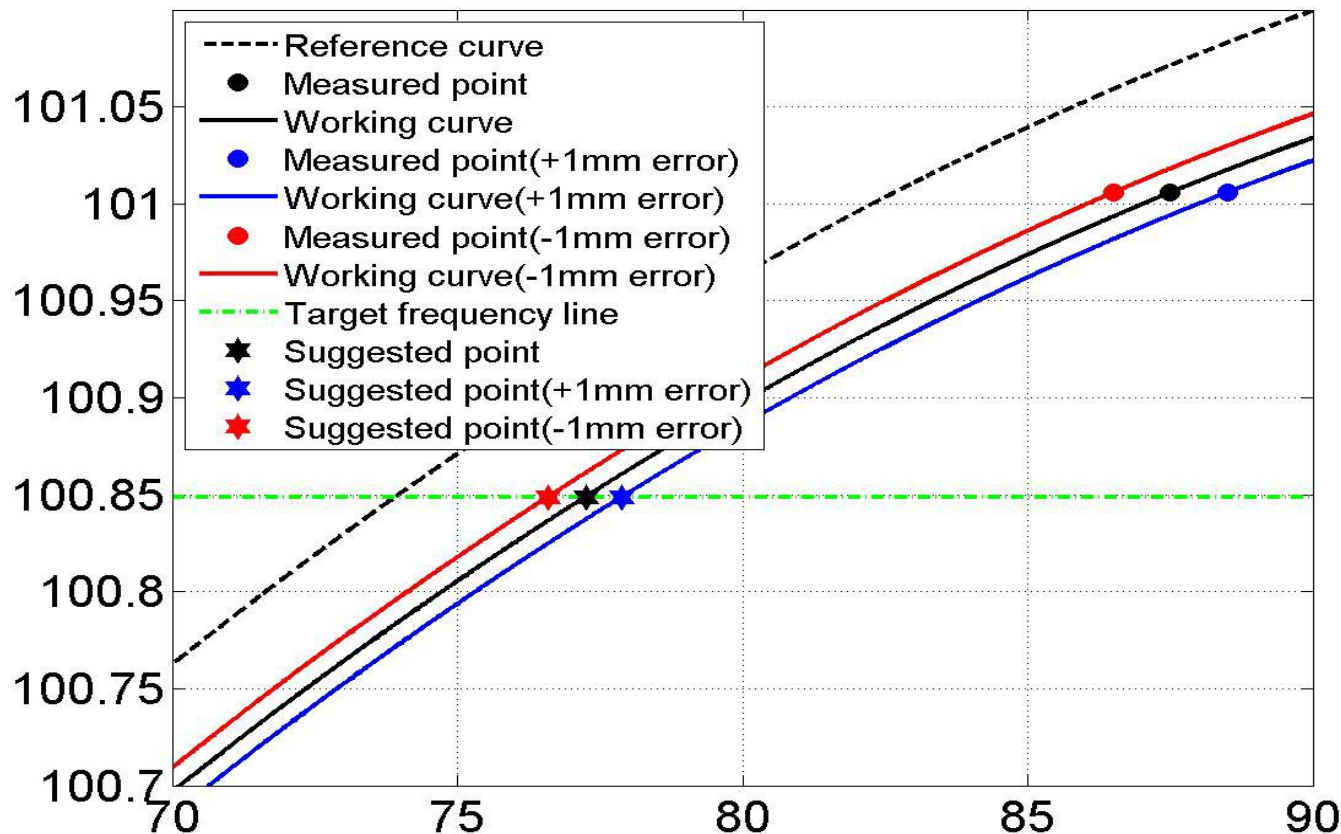
The tuning of QP2.1 is complete.



Error estimation

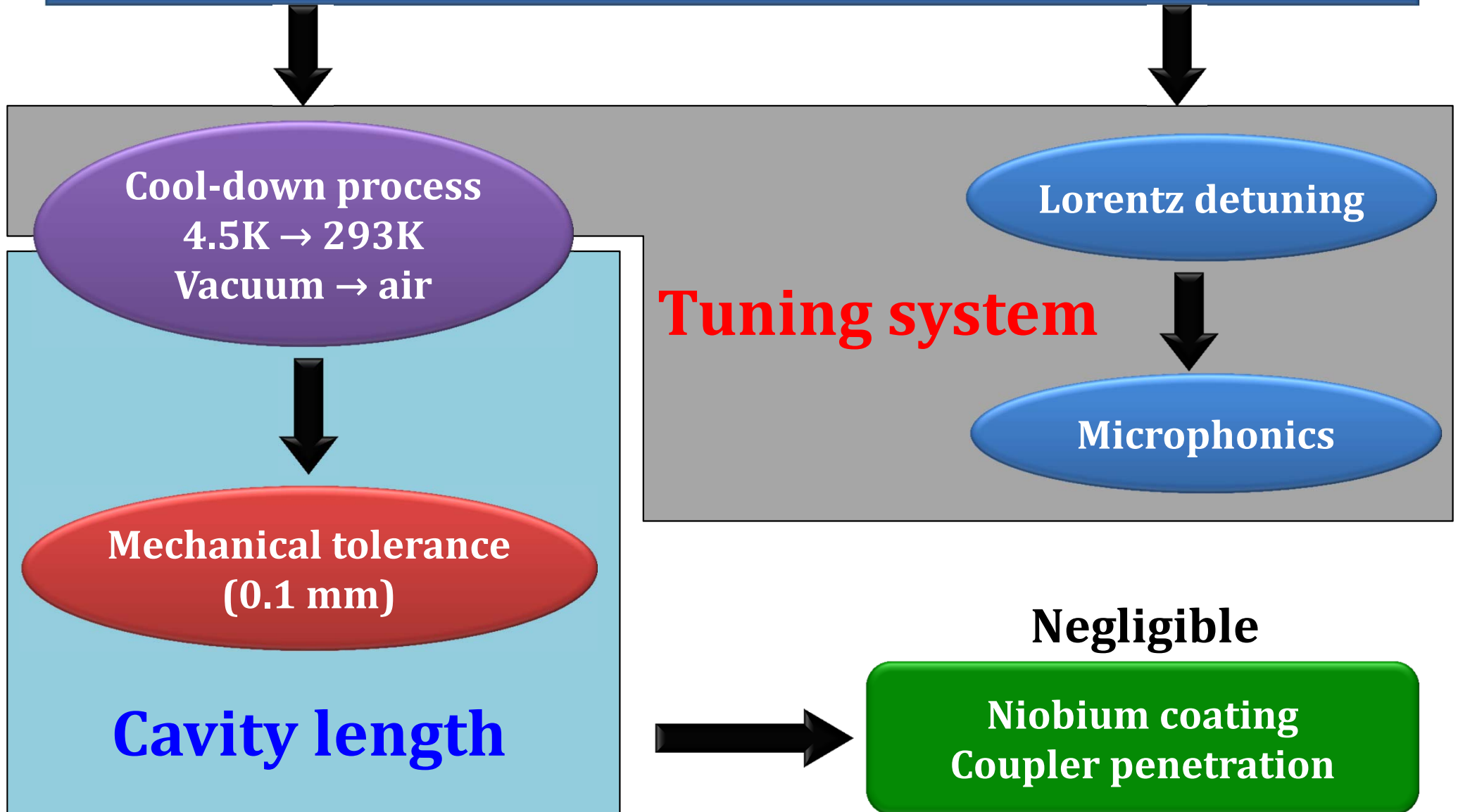
Initial tip gap error	Suggested trimming error	Frequency error
1 mm	0.7 mm	12 kHz
0.1 mm	0.1 mm	~2 kHz

Can be well covered by tuning system



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The tuning system

Original tuning plate

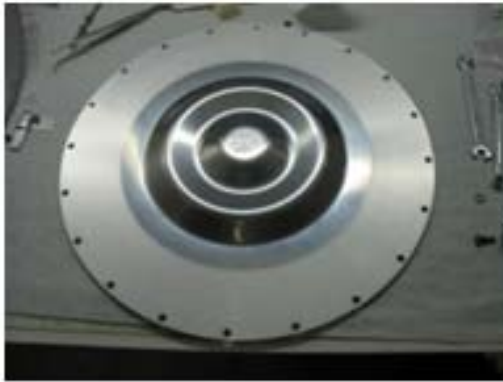
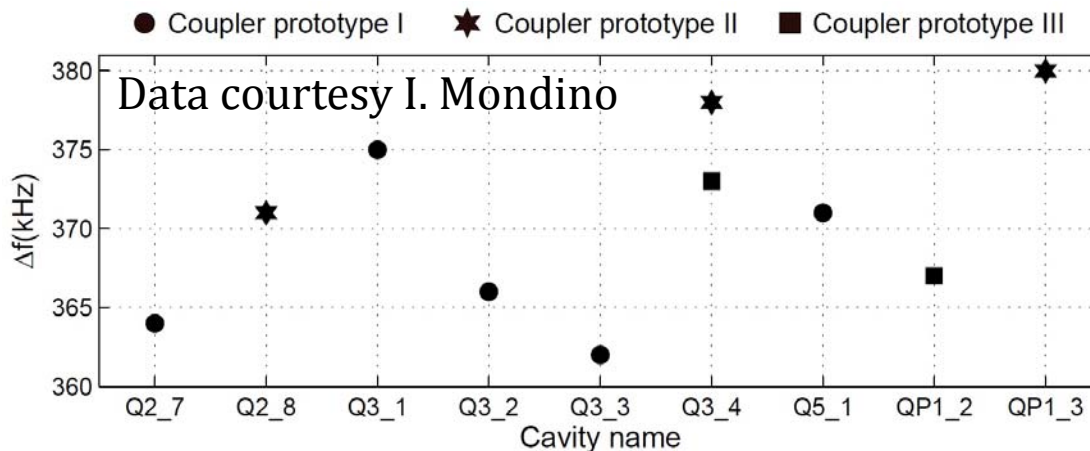


Plate type	Coarse range	Sensitivity
Original	220 kHz	11 kHz/mm
New (R=100mm)	37 kHz	7.4 kHz/mm

The new simplified plate drastically reduced the production cost.

Variability during the cool-down process



18kHz

Coarse range

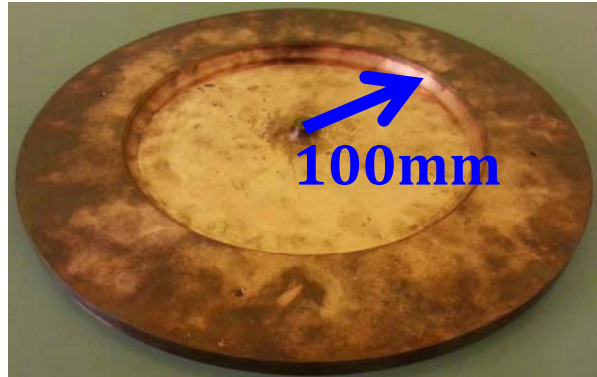
LLRF requested 0.5Hz/step

→ Favor low

sensitivity

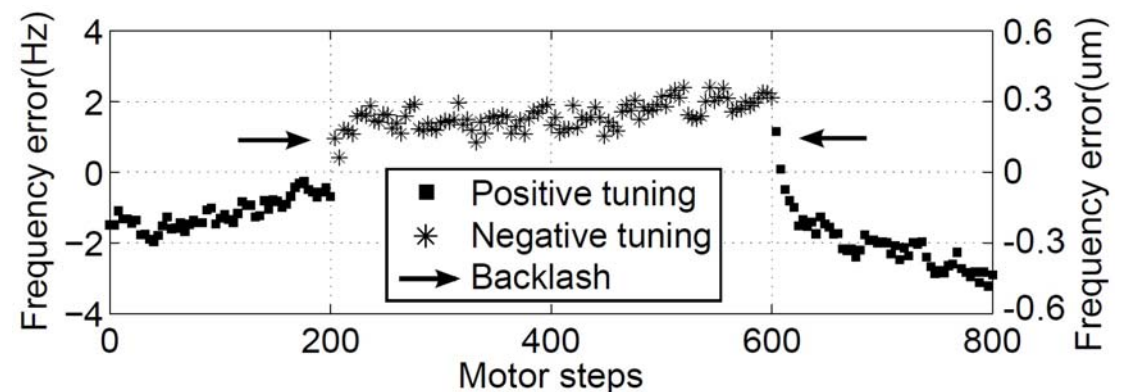
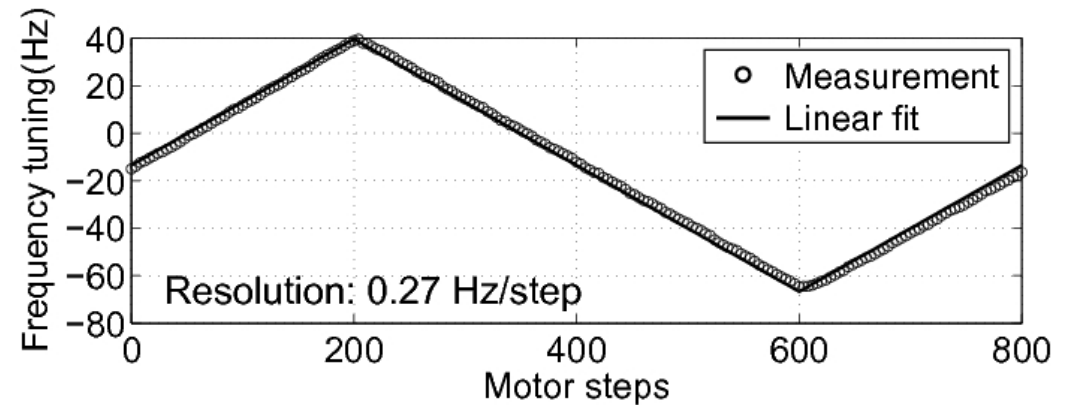
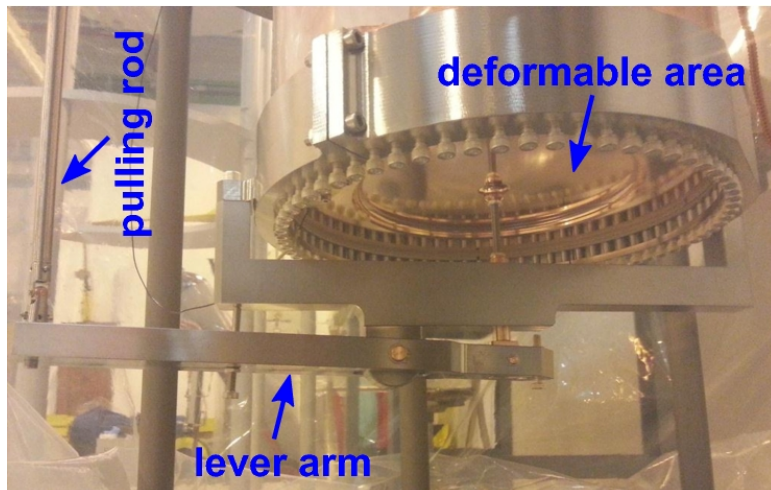
The first tuning plate prototype

New simplified plate



- Measurement achieved:
 - **Coarse range: 37kHz**
 - **Tuning sensitivity: 0.3Hz/step**
- Development is ongoing

First prototype



Data courtesy D. Valuch

Summary

- **The frequency tuning of QWR has been decoupled**
 - **pre-tuning** to recover mechanical tolerance
 - **tuning system** to compensate cool-down variability, Lorentz detuning and microphonics
- **The pre-tuning of the first two QP cavities completed**
- **The tuning system has been simplified**
 - the first prototype tested and fulfilled specifications

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