



L4 Spare RFQ Project - WP06

Slim RF Window Integration

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Big and slim windows

The big and the slim windows and how it came all about:

- Originally two Thales RF windows have been purchased.
- The prototype structures were all tested with this type of window.
- One window was integrated with the RFQ with the required support structure.
- The window is broadband (like the WR2100 waveguides).
- The window was relatively expensive, so Eric was asked if this could not be done in-house.
- Eric understood that it can be narrowband around the operational frequency of 352.2 MHz.
- And it can be made much slimmer and therefore cheaper!
- He took care of the RF and mechanical design, and of the manufacturing of >25 windows.
- There are 2 spares left but for using it on the RFQ it would make sense to relaunch production.

Available spares

The current situation:

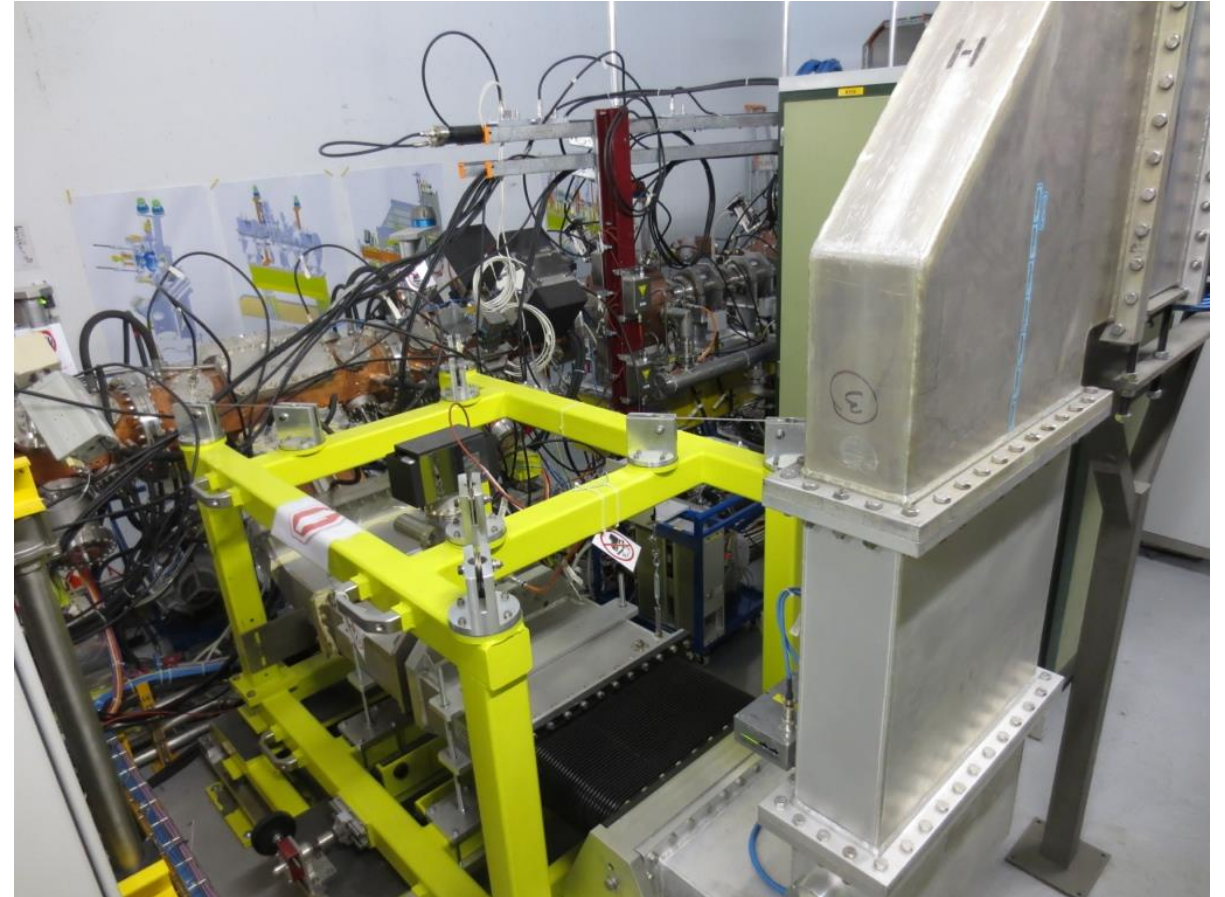
- There are one big and two slim spare windows available.
- For using the slim window on the RFQ, it would make sense to relaunch the production.
 - The two spare windows are convex and require re-machining.
 - We need one on the spare RFQ2 and one on each spare coupler (PIMS and CCDTL types).
 - It would be good to have one for exchange on RFQ1 and RFQ3
- The idea is to produce another 4, – 2 for the spare RFQ project and 2 as Linac4 spares.

RFQ integration – the big window

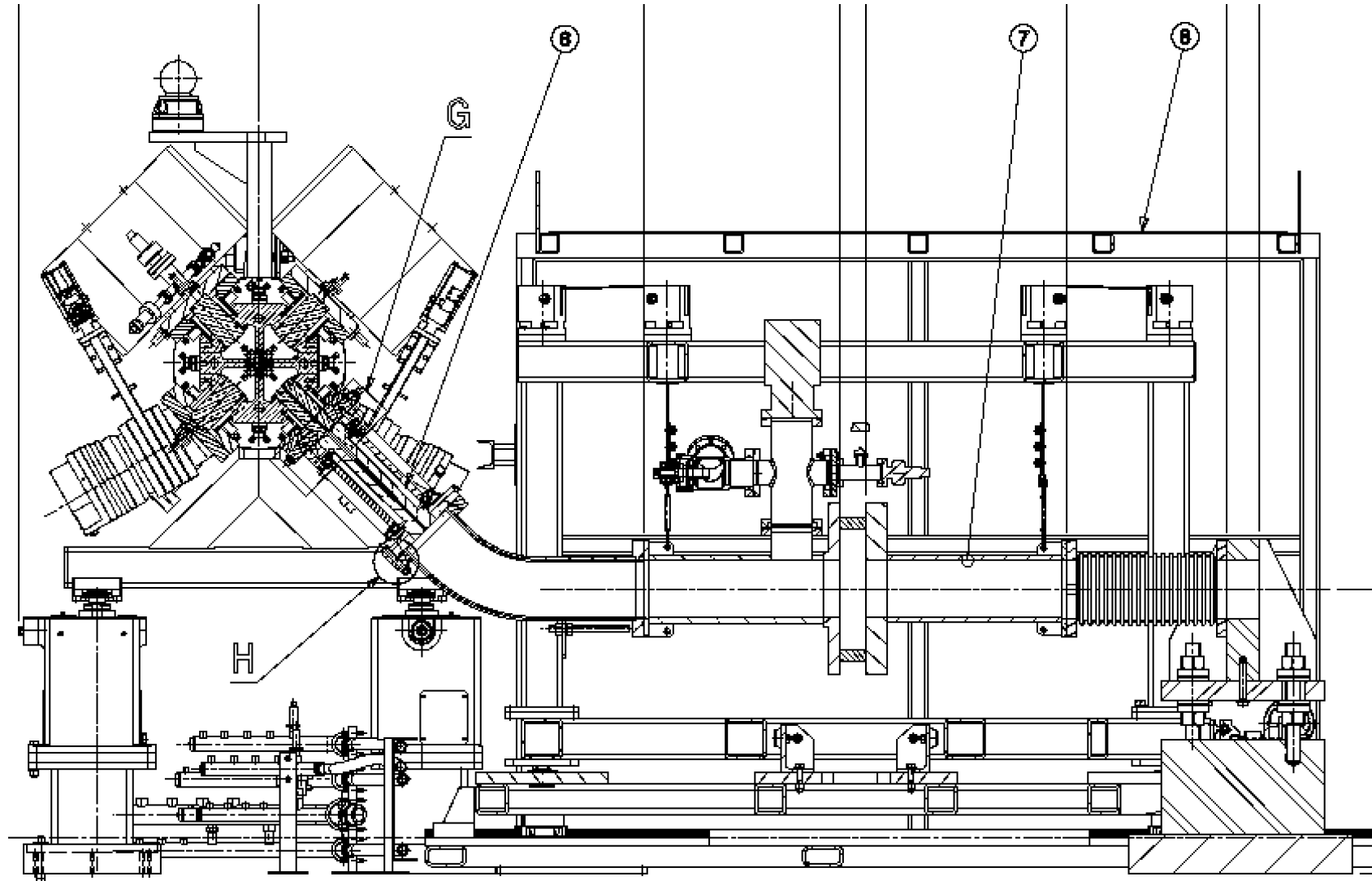
- The big window is suspended on a structure
- The structure reduces forces on the RFQ

But:

- Requires considerable space
- RFQ cannot be moved with the window
- For realignment, vacuum to be broken



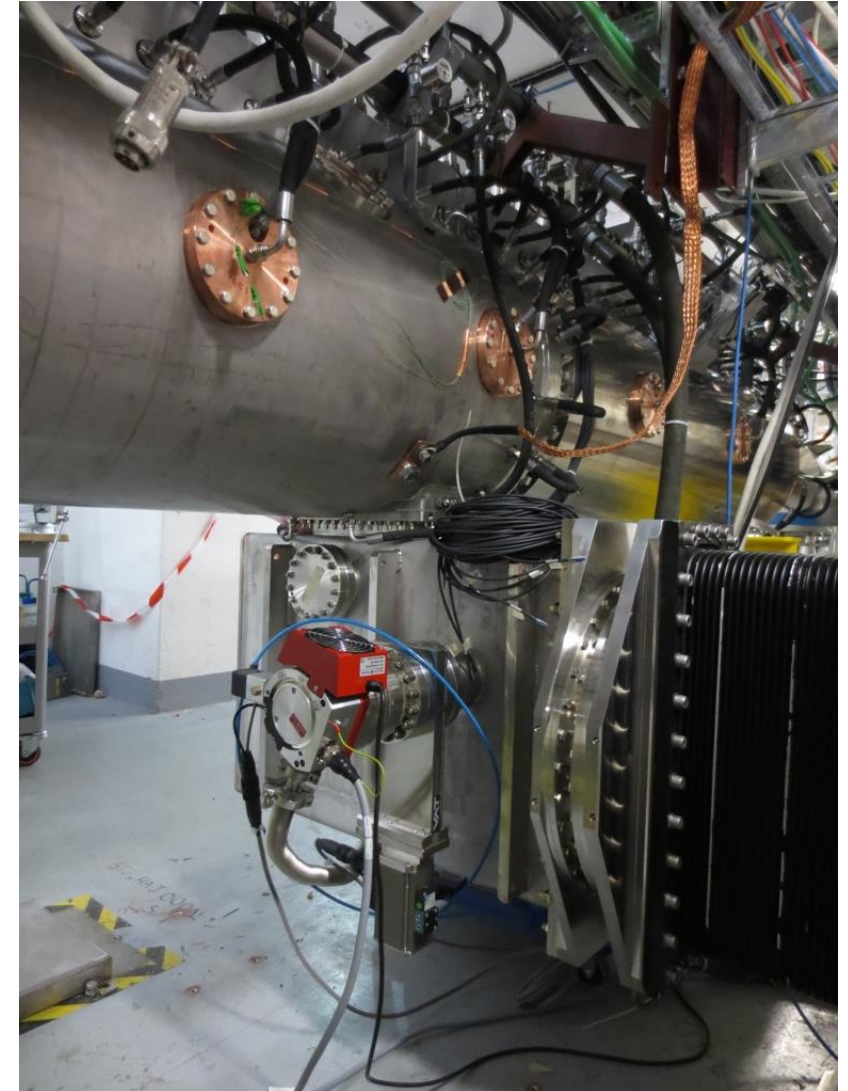
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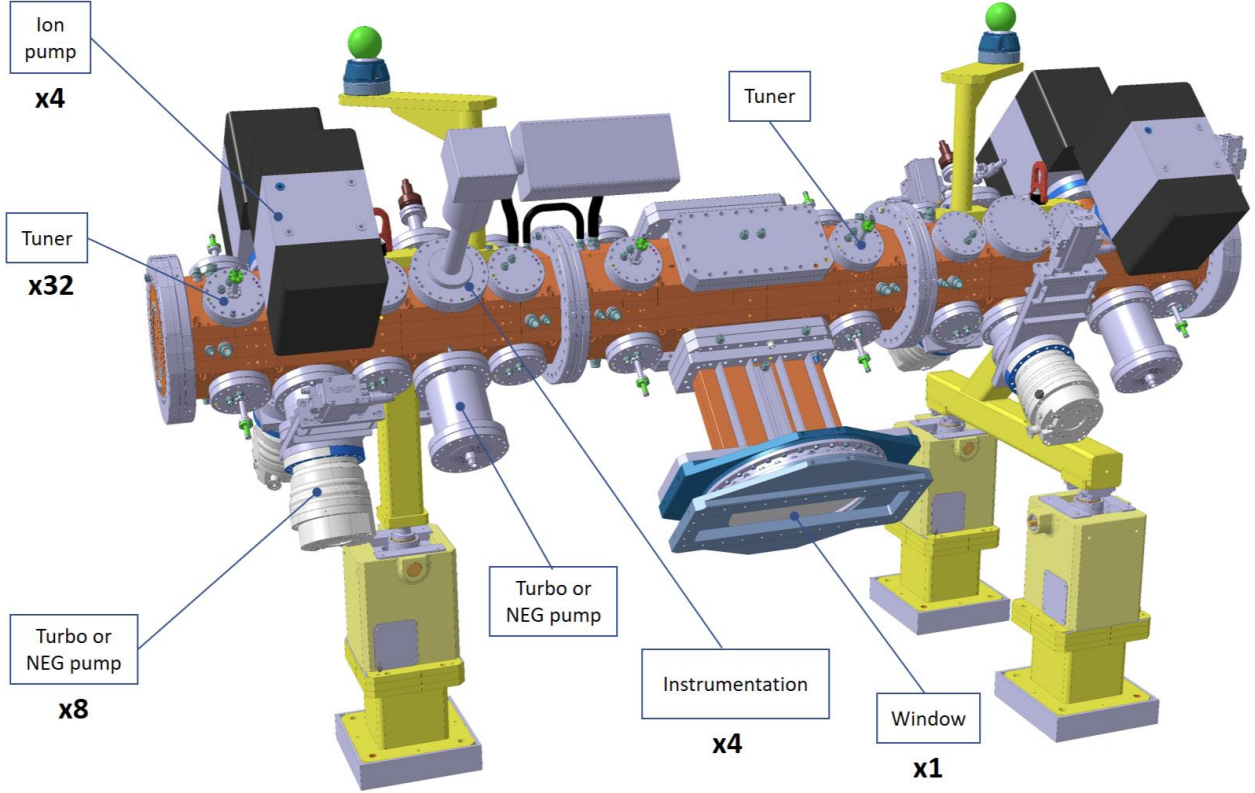
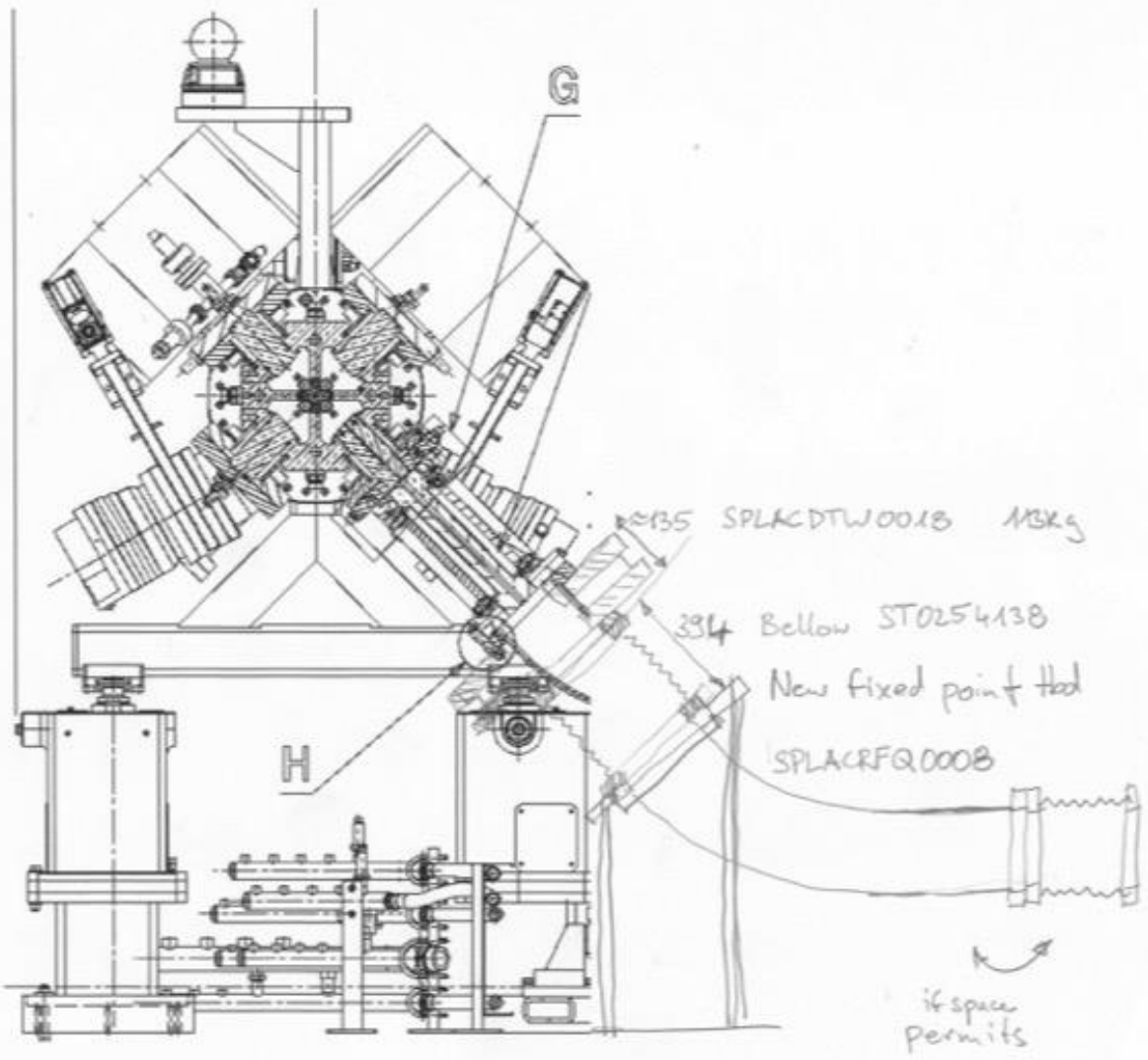
RFQ integration – the slim window

Integration slim RF window improves situation of RFQ:

- No need for a bulky broadband RF window and support.
- Realignment (within tight limits) w/o breaking the vacuum.
- RFQ can be stored and transported with RF window.
- Installation and conditioning will be faster.



RFQ integration – the slim window



Detailed mechanical simulation results

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Principal mechanical deformation

The mechanical structure of the RFQ is weakened by the RF openings

After realignment of the deformed RFQ, 3 principal types of deformation remain:

- Deformation of the quadrupolar shape in the center with changes of up to $6\mu\text{m}$ between vanes
- A sag along the structure with a sharp change from $-20\mu\text{m/m}$ to $+20\mu\text{m/m}$ in the center
- A torsion varying all along the RFQ within 0.3mrad with a variation in the center of 0.6mrad/m

Can this be accepted and maybe partly compensated by:

- RF tuning of the RFQ?
- Beam dynamics design?

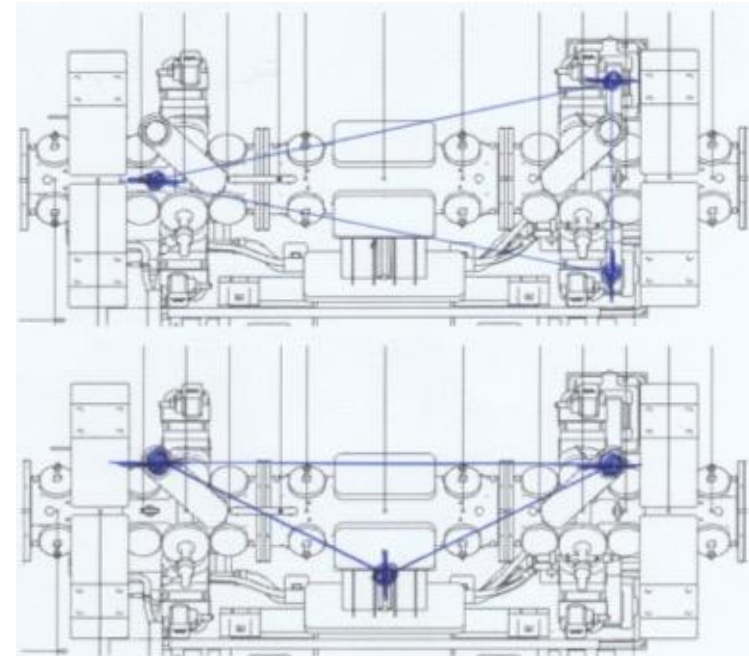
Potential remedies

The preference would be not to apply any mechanical modifications

- To keep the design as is (which is already in production with the RFQ2)
- To be able to apply the same solution also on RFQ1 when required / possible.

Potential remedies:

- A mechanically stiffer redesign – for RFQ3.
- Stiffeners between waveguide flanges
- Weight equilibration (e.g. vacuum pump on other side)
- A different distribution of supports



Next steps

The next steps need to follow rapidly as the production of RF windows takes about a year

One window needs to be ready well before the tuning phase 09/2021

- Beam dynamics evaluation – if any
- RF evaluation – if any
- Decision to be taken (end of 12/2020)
- Launch of slim RF window production – if decided
- Mechanical integration and design of new supports
- Supports production
- RF window reception
- RFQ assembly with RF window



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