
Review on superconducting RF Guns

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Superconducting RF Photogun

Main advantages

- Low RF power losses, CW operation
- High peak field near the cathode

Main concerns

- Photocathode inside a superconducting cavity (RF leakage, heat transfer, pollution of the cavity)
- Emittance compensation
Magnetic DC field, Magnetic RF field, RF - focusing

All-Niobium SRF Gun

No contamination from cathode particles

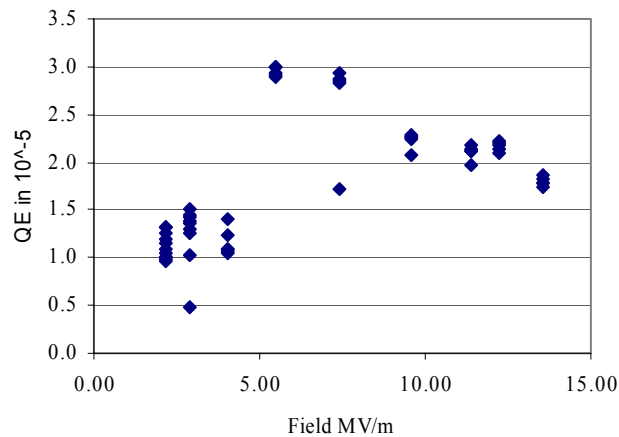
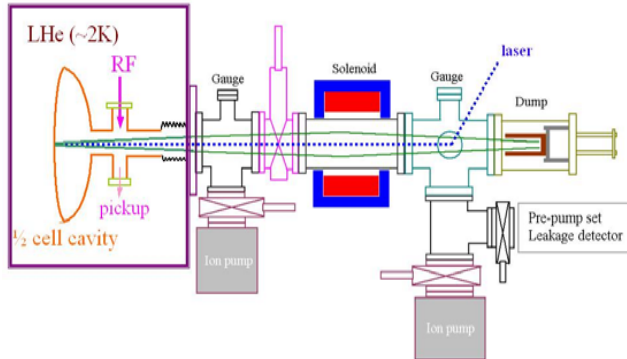
1/2 cell, 1.3 GHz
Maximum Field: 45 MV/m

Q.E. of Niobium @ 248 nm
with laser cleaning
before: 2×10^{-7}
after: 5×10^{-5}



H.Bluem et al. EPAC 2000, June 2000, p.1639

All-Niobium SRF Gun



$T \sim 2K$

$\lambda = 248 \text{ nm}, \quad QE \sim 2 \times 10^{-5}$
 $\lambda = 266 \text{ nm}, \quad QE \sim 2 \times 10^{-6}$

T.Rao et al. PAC2005,
Knoxville, May 2005.

SRF Gun with superconducting Cathode

Quantum efficiency of Pb at room temperature

$$\lambda = 248 \text{ nm} \quad \text{QE} = 1 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\lambda = 213 \text{ nm} \quad \text{QE} = 1.7 \times 10^{-3}$$

3 W laser power @213 nm

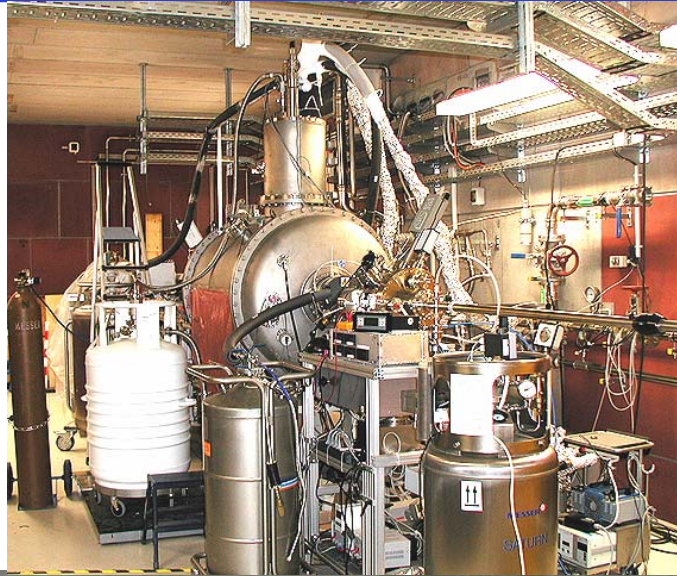
1 nC @1MHz \longrightarrow 1 mA

J.Smedley et al., PAC2005
Knoxville May 2005

SRF Gun with normal-conducting Cathode

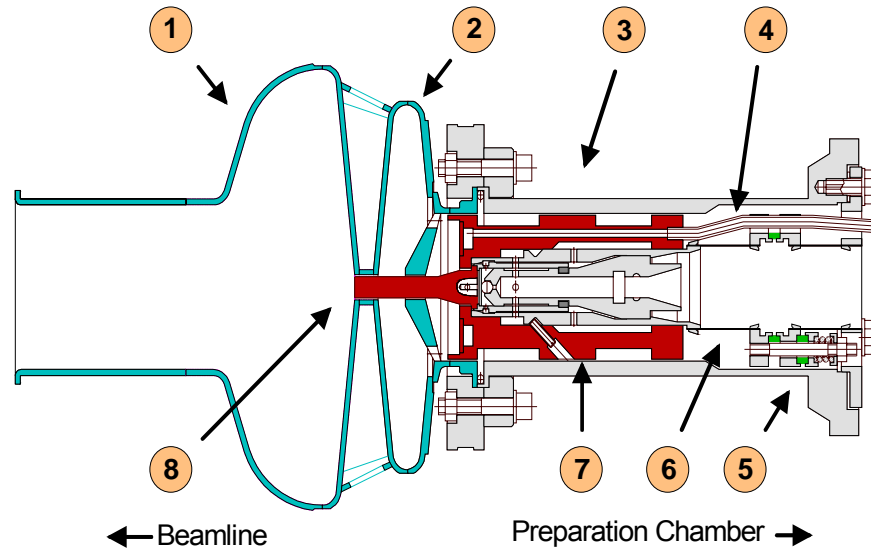
Cavity: Niobium, gun cell + TESLA cells, $E_{\text{acc}}=25\text{MV/m}$
Frequency: 1.3 GHz
Cathode: Cs_2Te , $\text{QE} \sim 5 \times 10^{-2}$
thermally isolated, LN_2 cooled
RF: choke filter
Laser: $\lambda = 262 \text{ nm}$, cw, $f = 13\text{MHz}$, $P = 1\text{-}2\text{W}$

First operation of a SRF Gun



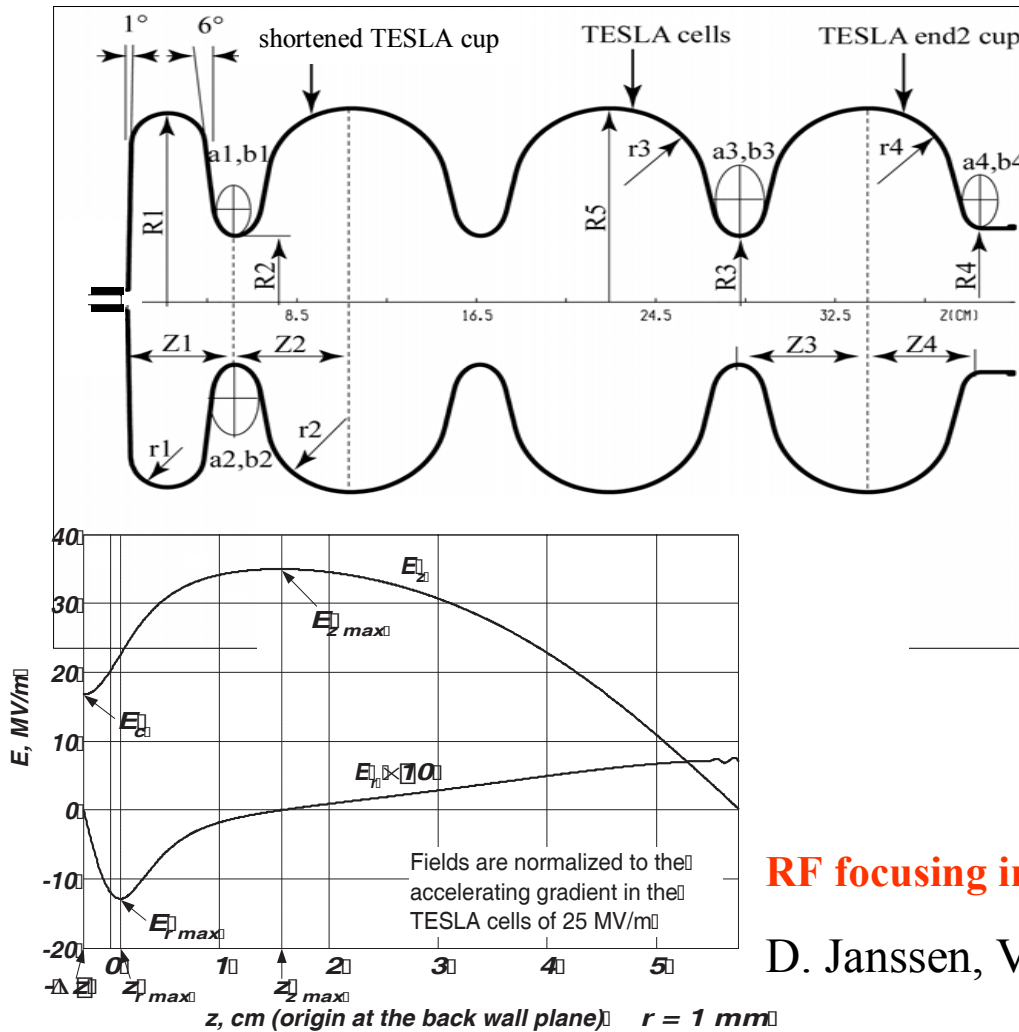
D.Janssen et al., NIM-A, Vol. 507(2003)p314-317

$T = 4.2\text{K}$, $Q = 2.5 \cdot 10^8$, $E_{z_{\max}} = 22\text{MV/m}$
 $E = 900\text{keV}$, $I = 520\mu\text{A}$



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|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| (1) Niobium Cavity | (5) Ceramic Insulation |
| (2) Choke Flange Filter | (6) Thermal Insulation |
| (3) Cooling Insert | (7) 3 Stage Coaxial Filter |
| (4) Liquid Nitrogen Tube | (8) Cathode Stem |

Design Parameter of the 3½ cell SRF Gun



1. 3 GHz, 10 kW
 optimized half cell & 3 TESLA cells

$E_{z,max} = 50$ MV/m (T cells)
 $= 33$ MV/m (1/2 cell)

77 pC

1 nC

$I_{av} = 1$ mA

$E = 9.5$ MeV

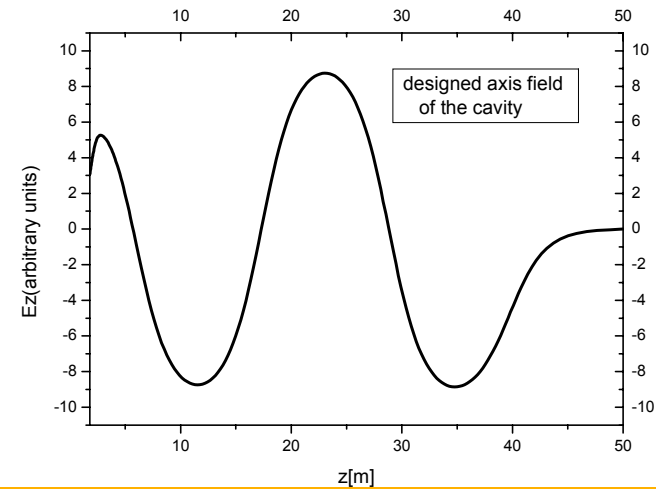
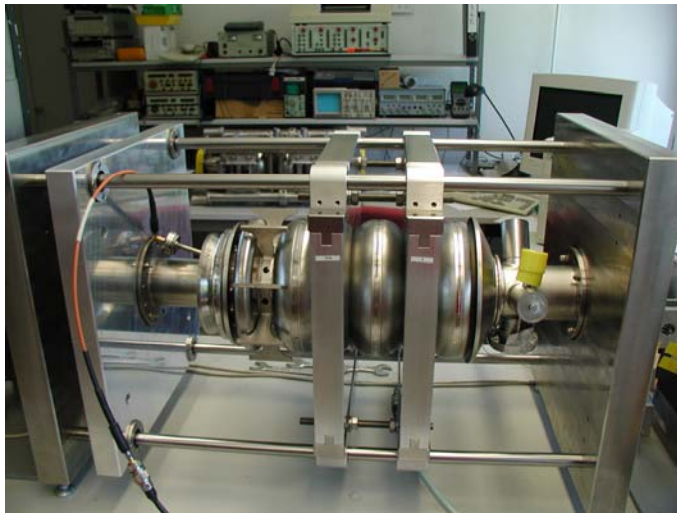
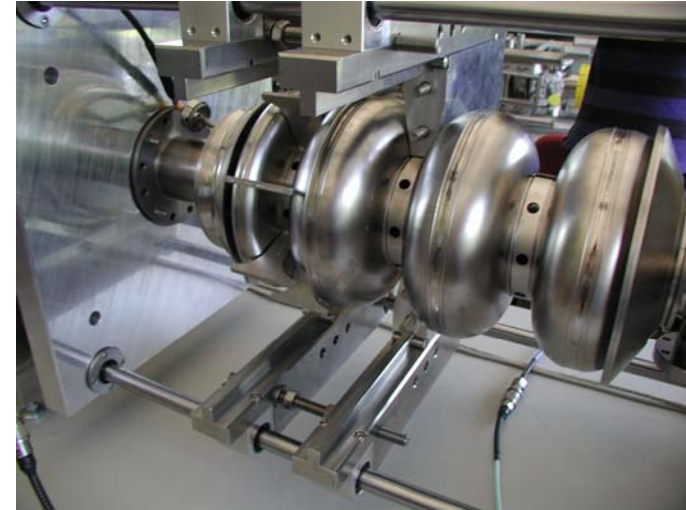
$\epsilon_{trans} = 0.5$ mm mrad

$\epsilon_{trans} = 2.5$ mm mrad

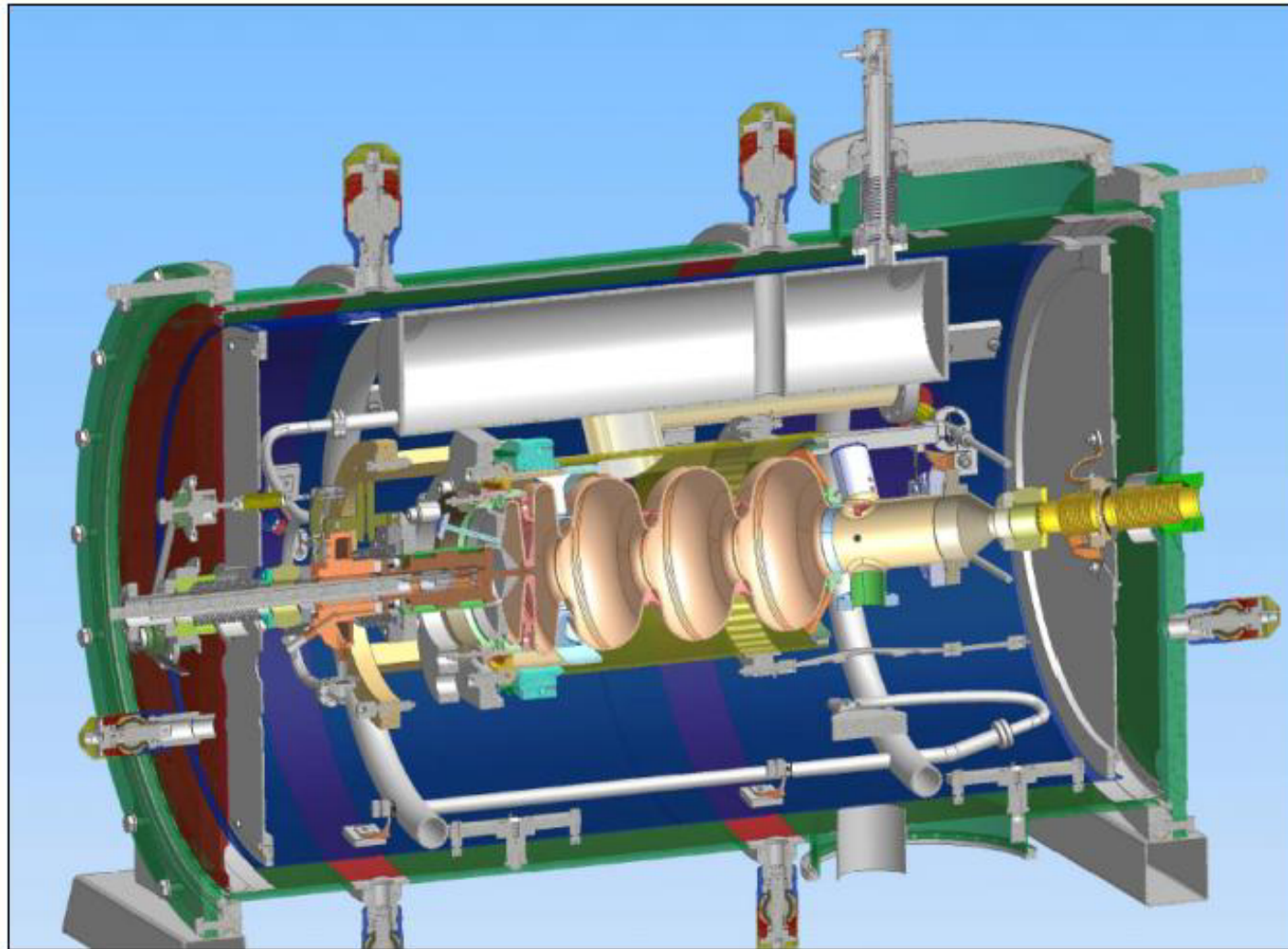
RF focusing in SC gun cavities

D. Janssen, V.Volkov, NIM A452(2000)34

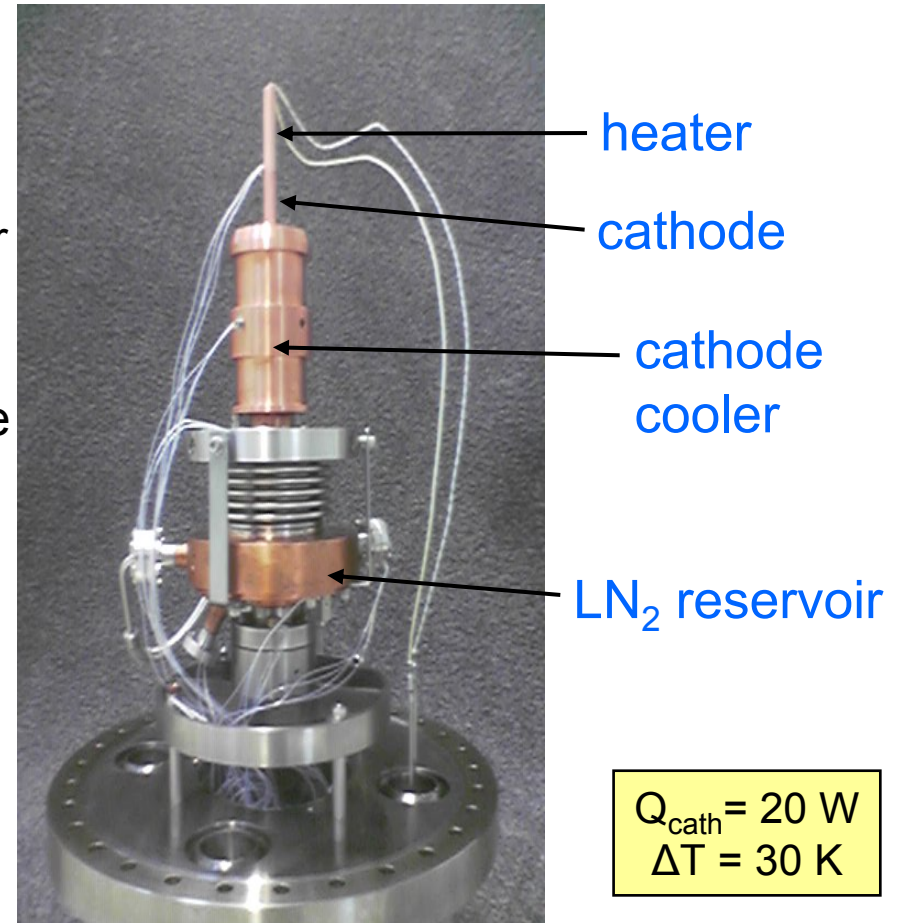
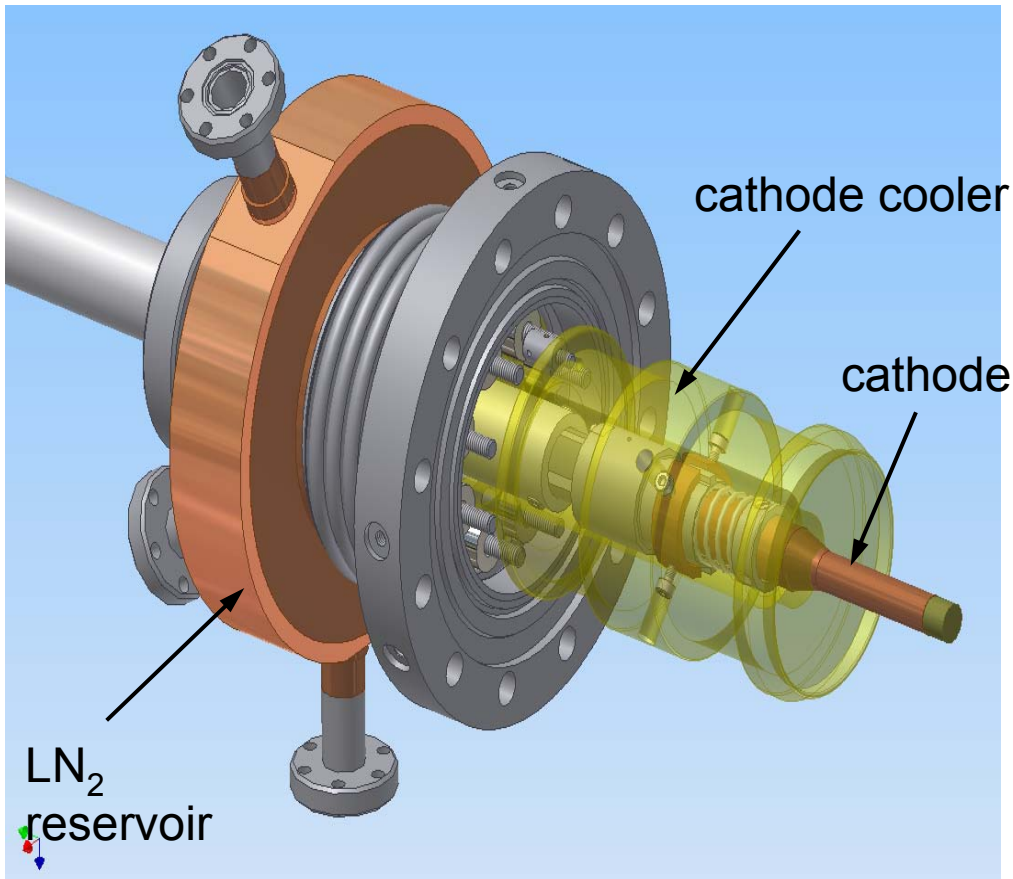
Shape verification and warm tuning of the cavity



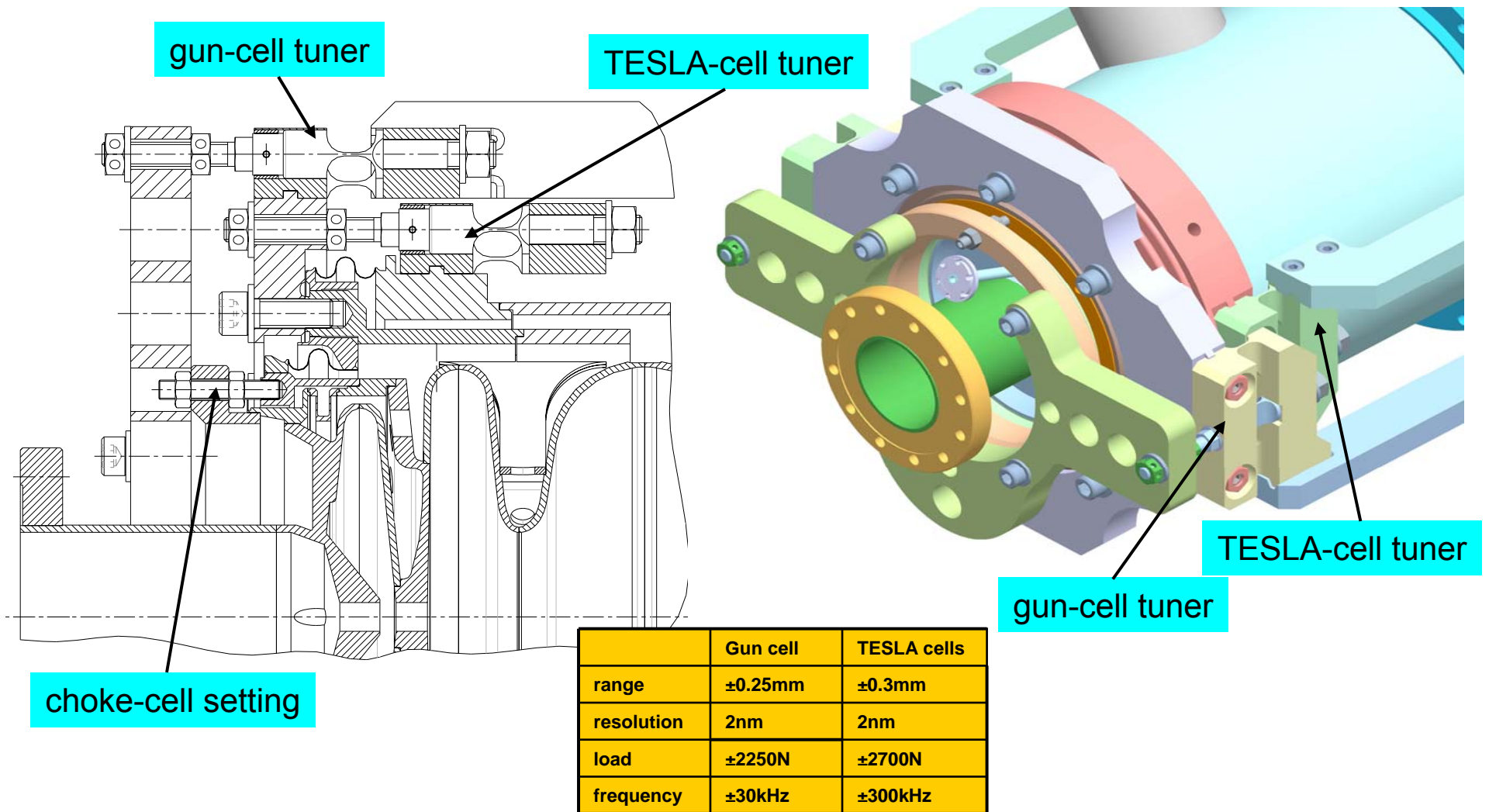
Cryomodule design of the SRF gun



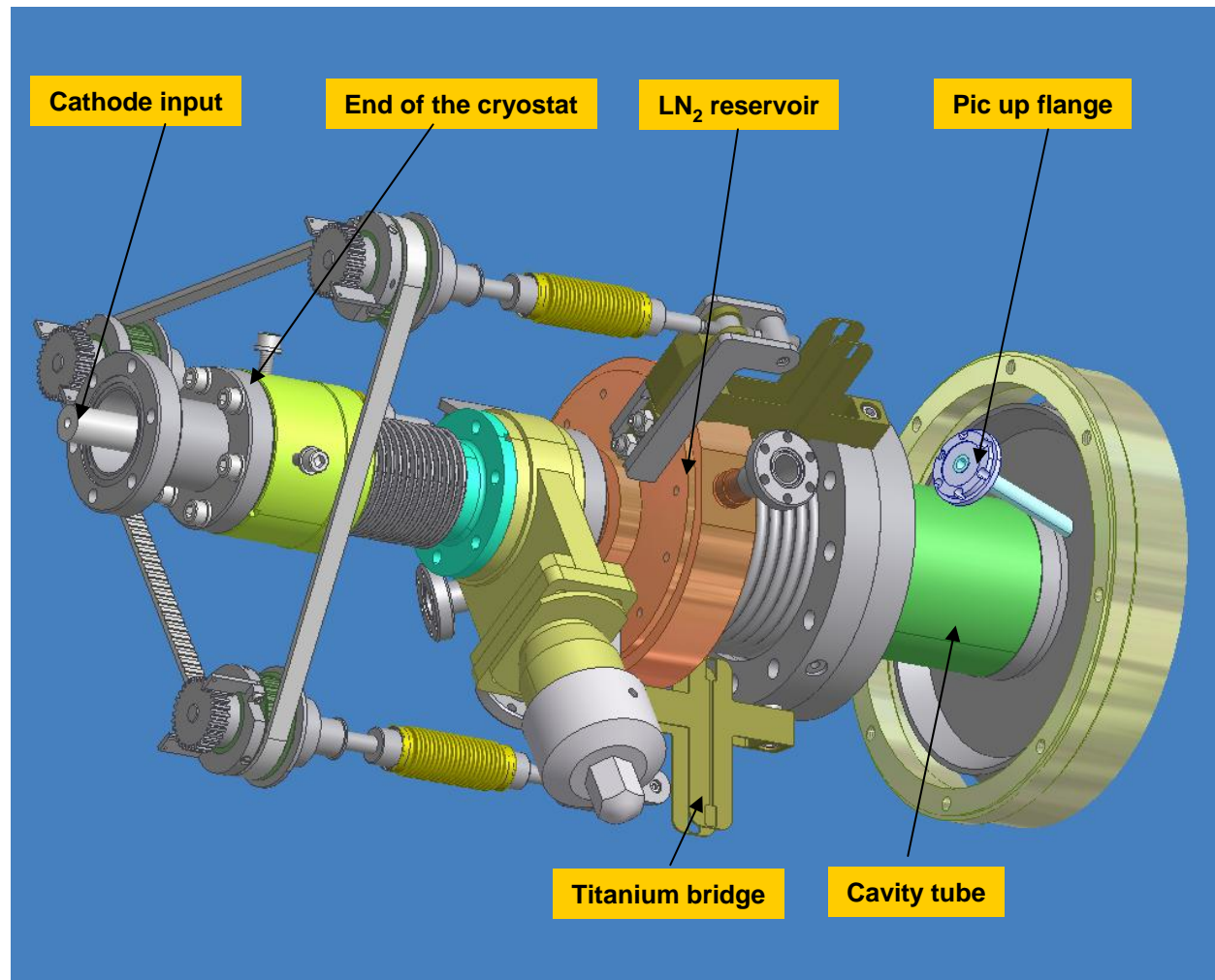
Liquid N₂ Cathode Cooling



Dual tuning system



Cavity with cathode tuning system



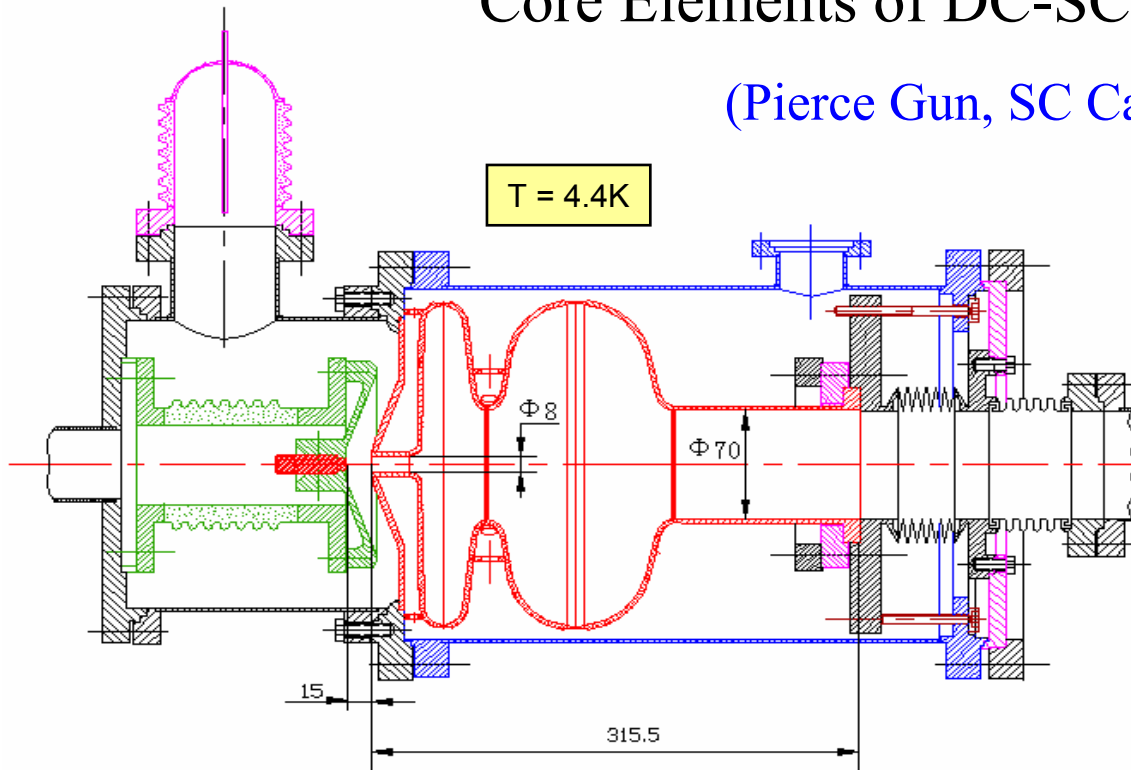
Present Status and next steps

Cavity:	Fabrication of 2 (RRR 40 & 300) cavities at ACCEL finished warm tuning in Rossendorf is running next step: BCP, HPR, tests at 2K at DESY
Cavity tuners:	Fabrication finished test bench: design finished, in the workshop
Cathode cooling system:	Fabrication and tests finished Cathode transfer system: Design finished, in the workshop
Cathode preparation chamber:	Design and fabrication finished, assembling and tests running
Cryomodule:	Design and fabrication finished next step: assembling
He-Transfer Line:	ordered
First beam:	2006

DC-SC Gun of the IHIP, Peking University

Core Elements of DC-SC Photoinjector

(Pierce Gun, SC Cavity)



$I_{ave} = 200 \mu A$, $E = 0.5 MeV$,
 $Q = 50 pC$, $L_{laserpuls} = 6 ps$,
 $\epsilon_{rms} = 5.4 mm.mrad$,

$I_{ave} = 70 \mu A$, $E = 0.59 MeV$,
 $Q = 18 pC$, $L_{laserpuls} = 6 ps$,
 $\epsilon_{rms} = 2.8 mm.mrad$,

$U_{DC} = 40 kV$, $E_{cath} = 2.7 MV/m$

Courtesy of
Hao Jiankui

High Current SRF Gun

SRF Gun Performance Goals

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- 703.75 MHz
- 1.42 nC @ 703.75 MHz => 1 A
- For 1 A => ~ 2 MeV delivered
- 2 MW into 1/2 cell
- 2 opposed 1 MW couplers
- 1/2 cell => ~ 0.1 m
- 2 MeV / 0.1 m => ~ 20 MV/m

$$\epsilon_{\text{trans}} = 5 \text{ mm mrad}$$

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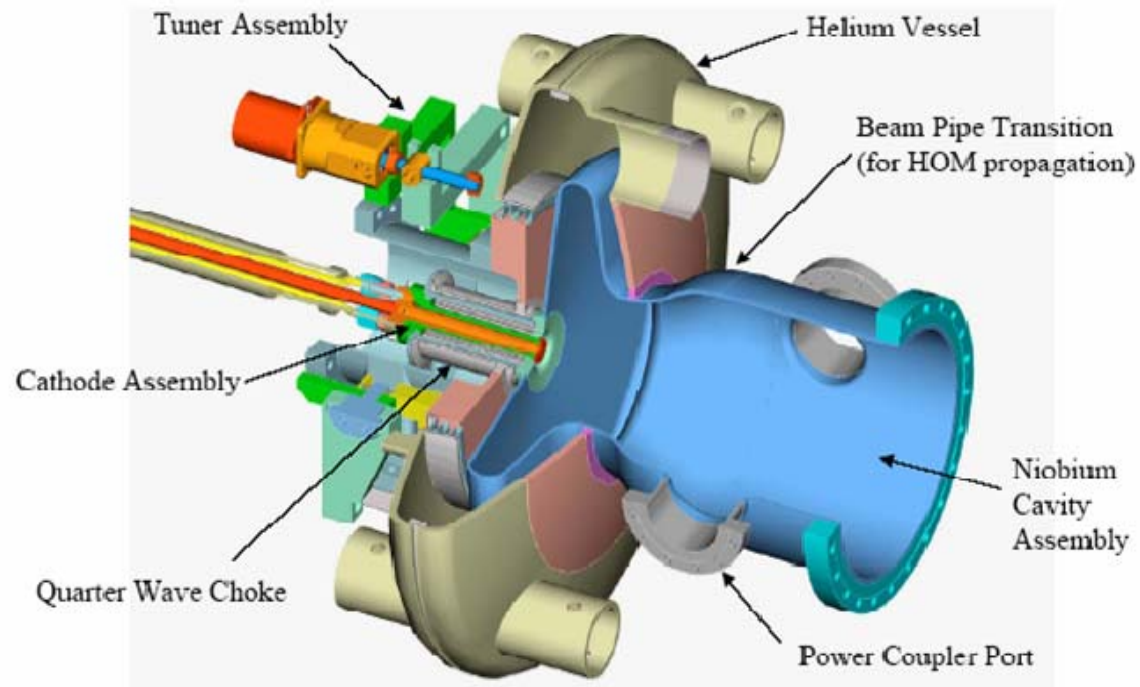
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Putting Accelerator Technology to Work

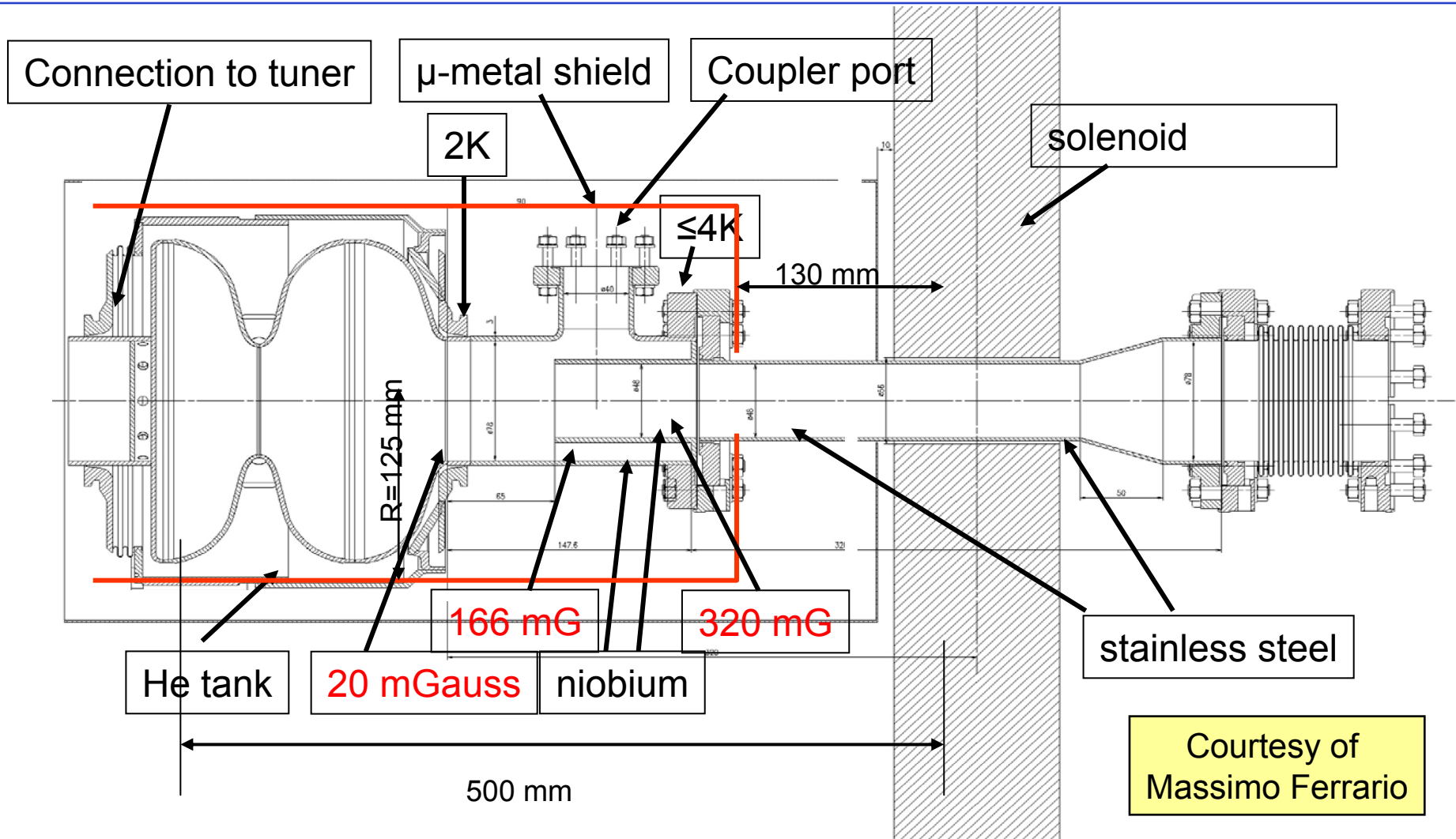
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High Current SRF Gun

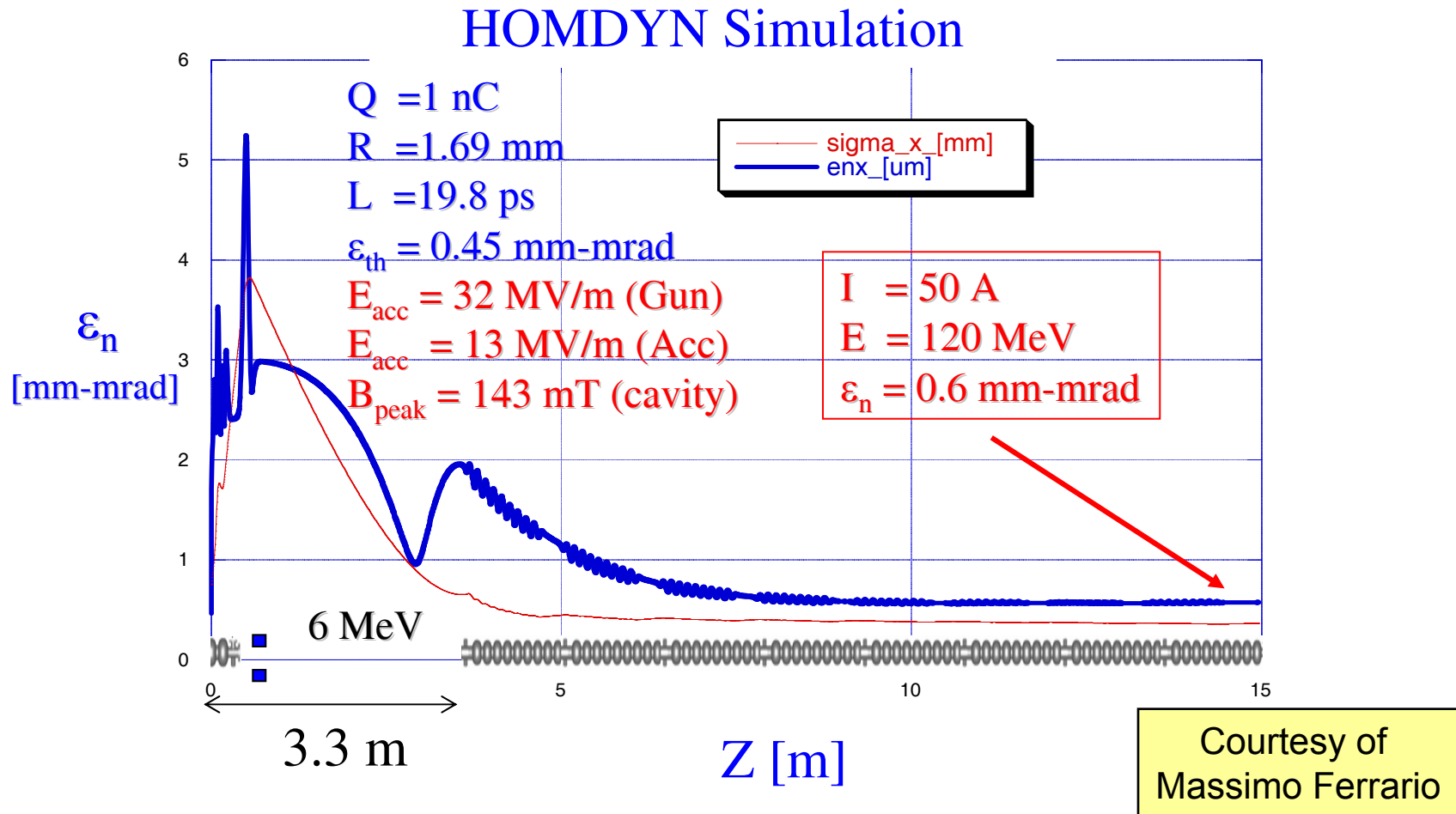


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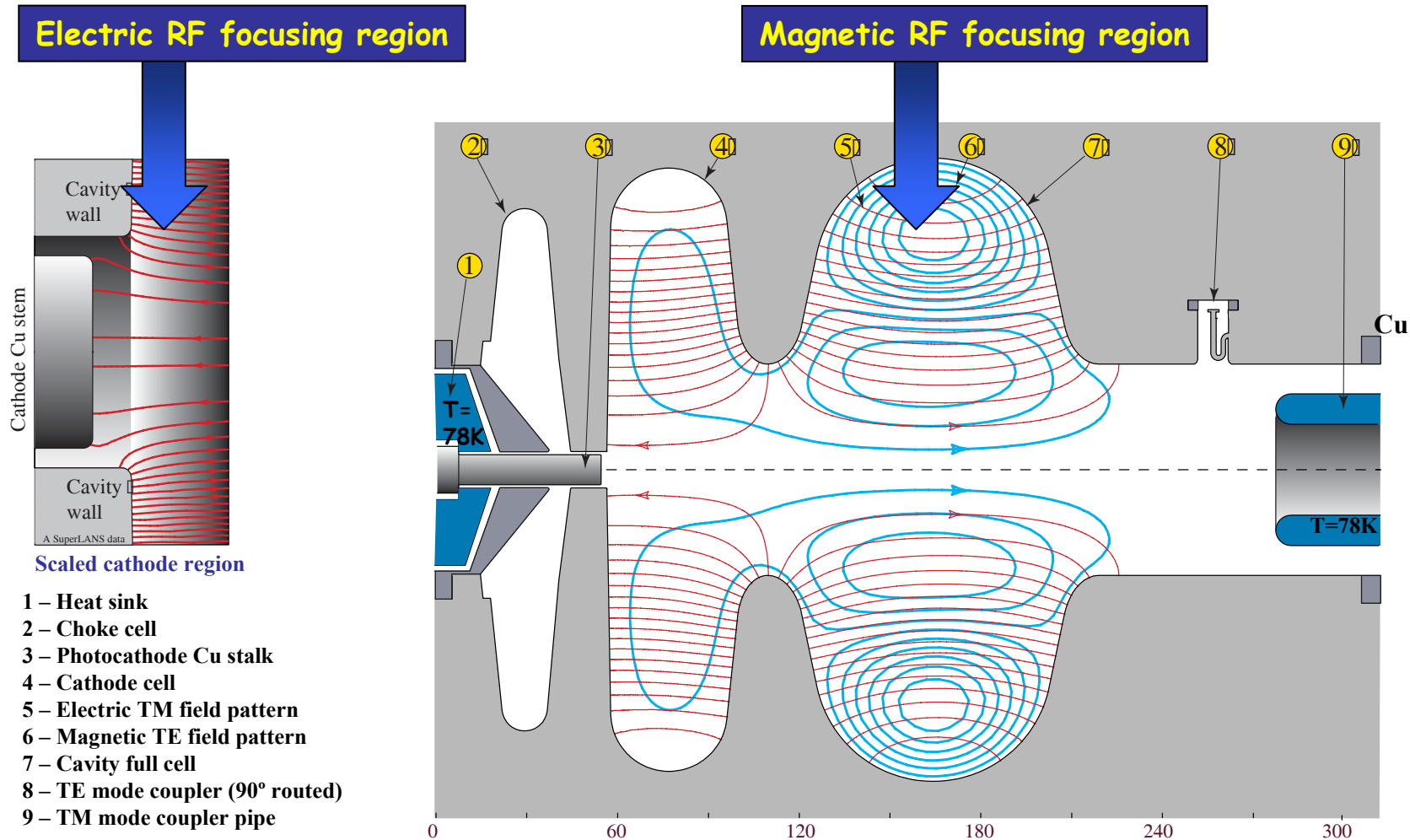
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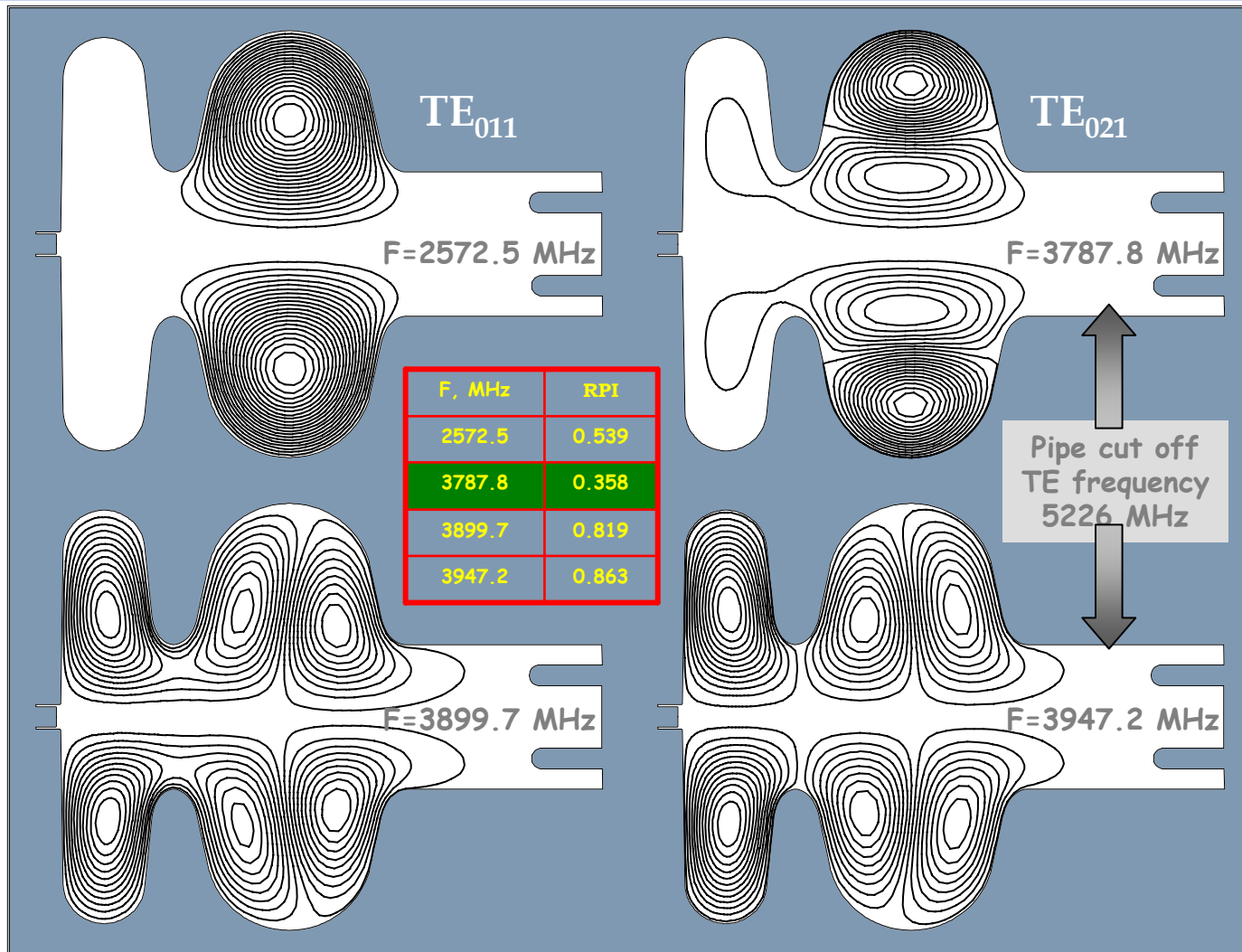
Emittance compensation by a static B field



Emittance compensation by a magnetic RF field

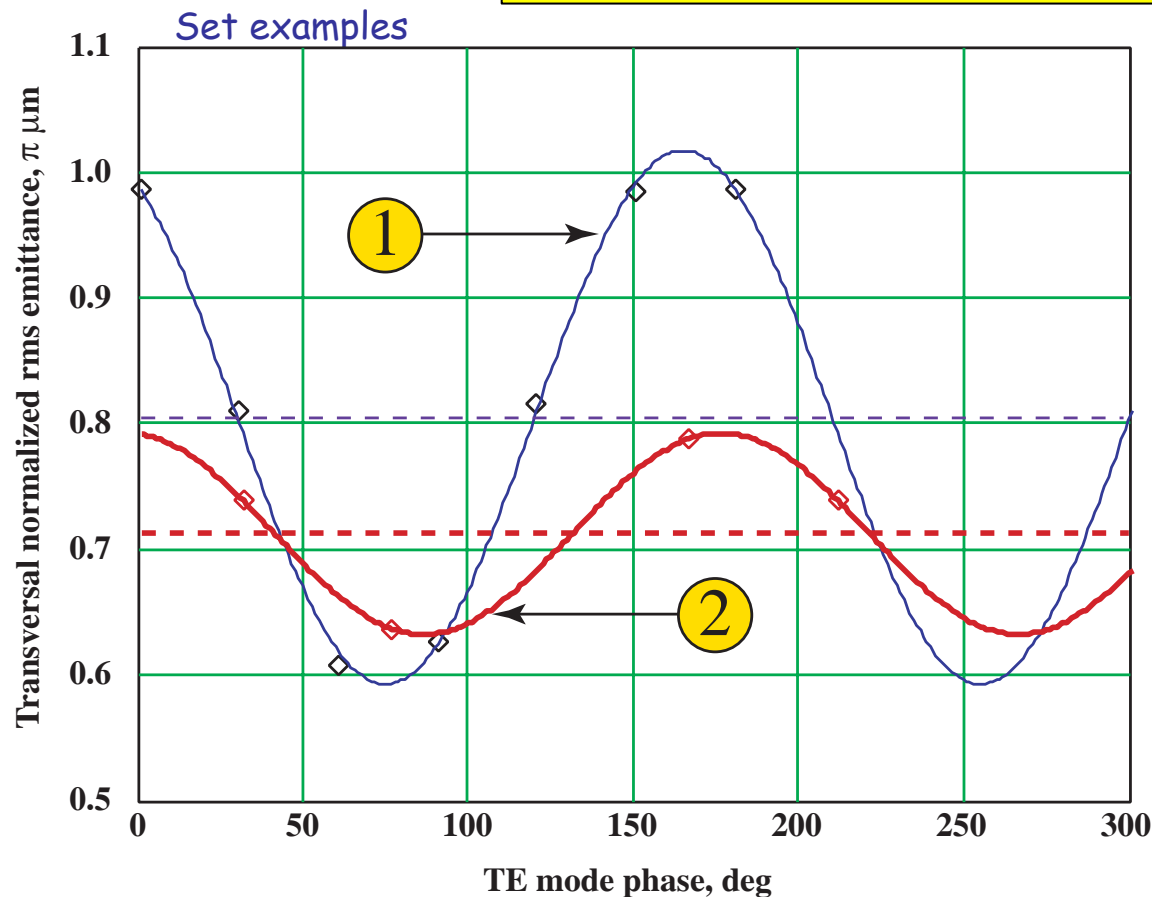


Magnetic RF fields in the 1 ½ cell cavity



Emittance dependence on TE field phase

$$\varepsilon_n = \varepsilon_{av} + A_\varepsilon \cdot \sin(2 \cdot \varphi_{TE} + \varphi_o)$$



ε_n – transverse normalized rms emittance
 ε_{av} – average emittance
 A_ε – emittance amplitude
 φ_{TE} – TE mode phase
 φ_o – constant phase
 B_{TE} – TE mode peak induction at the axis, T
 R – laser spot radius at the photocathode, mm
 φ_{TM} – launch phase (here $\varphi_{TM}=50^\circ$ at maximum bunch energy)

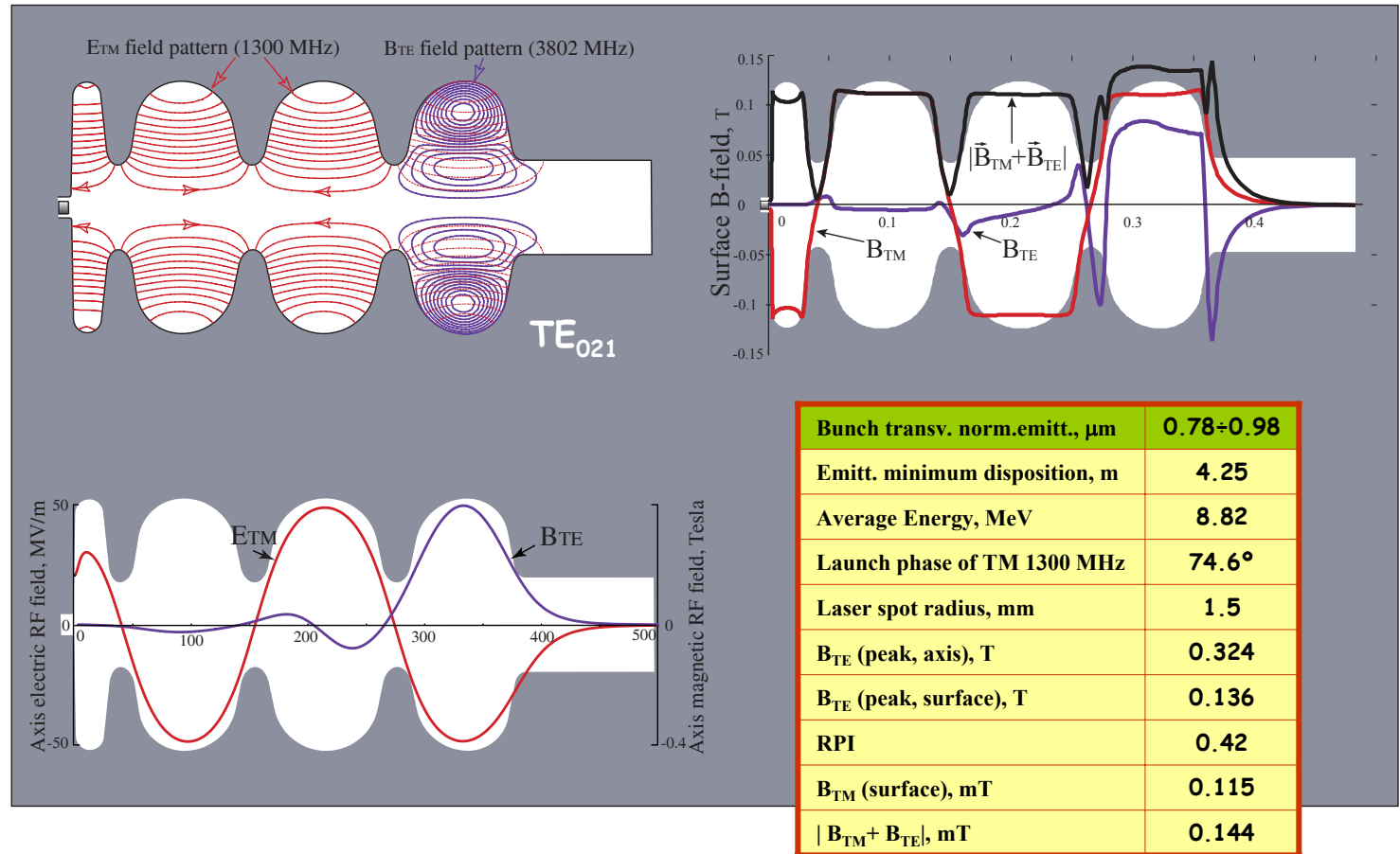
Set examples

	1	2
$\varepsilon_{av}, \mu\text{m}$	0.805	0.712
$A_\varepsilon, \mu\text{m}$	0.212	0.08
B_{TE}, T	0.28	0.3
R, mm	1.0	1.5

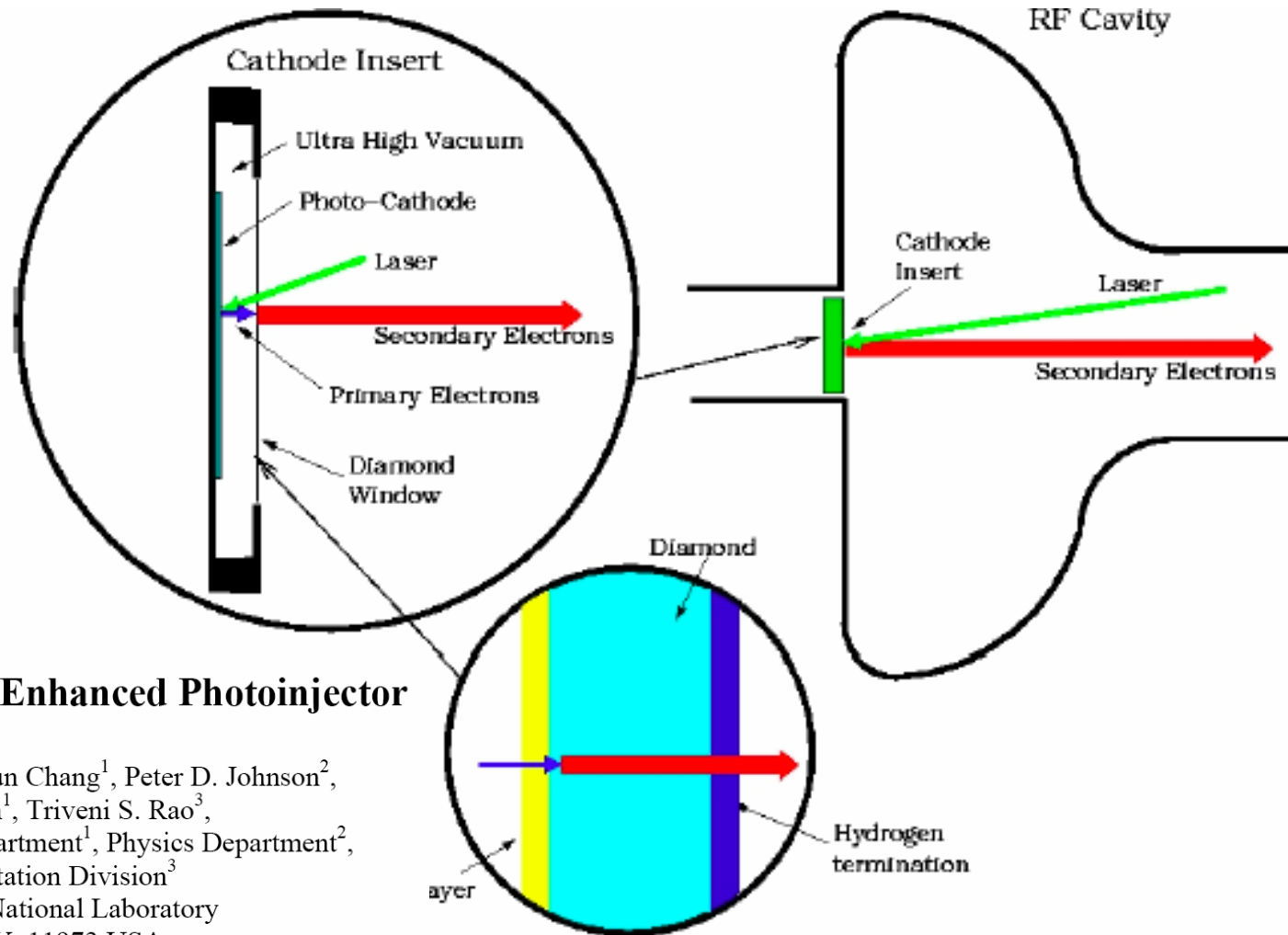
Results for a 1 ½ cell cavity

Optimized settings & performances	Without any RF focusing	Electric RF focusing only	Magnetic RF focusing only	Electric and magnetic RF focusing
$\epsilon_n, \pi \text{ mm mrad}$	3.66	1.49	1.28	0.62
$(\epsilon_n^2 + \epsilon_{th}^2)^{1/2}$	3.76	1.72	1.44	0.89
R (laser), mm	2	2	1.5	1.5
ϕ_{TM}, deg	49.4°	46.3°	49.4°	55°
Cathode depth, mm	0	2	0	2
B_{TE} (axis, peak), T	0	0	0.3	0.3
B (surf., peak), T	0.128	0.128	0.132	0.132

Results for the 3 1/2 cell cavity



Diamond amplifier



Secondary Emission Enhanced Photoinjector

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Conclusion

- Superconducting RF guns are the ideal injectors for high current- low emittance application.
- For average currents $I > 1\text{mA}$ one has to put a normal conducting cathode into a superconducting cavity. The proposed design works for $T = 4.2\text{K}$ and $Q = 2.5 \cdot 10^8$. For $T = 2\text{K}$ and $Q \sim 10^{10}$ one has to check it.
- For SRF guns with $I < 1\text{mA}$ a superconducting cathode is an interesting alternative, which one has to prove.
- New ideas and developments as the diamond amplifier and the magnetic RF modes can enlarge the performance of superconducting RF guns.
- I dare the prediction, that within the next three years the first SRF photoelectron gun will work as injector for a linac in routine run.