Optical SRF Cavity Inspection

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SRF Technology

 Purpose– use electromagnetic fields to accelerate charged particles
 Niobium cavities





Uses of SRF



SRF Cavities

- o Donut-shaped
- o Niobium–Nb
- Covered in liquid He, insulated vacuum
- RF Antenna excites EM fields



Particles accelerated– electric fields
Particles deflected– magnetic fields = tight beam



Optical Inspection System (OIS)





OIS Continued



My Project– Part One

Automate the OIS using stepper motors
 Move light/mirror apparatus *or* the cavity
 Rotate cavity







 Use MATIab to create a program – view images of cavity surface

The MathWorks

What I've Done so Far

Inside of IR1-3

• Learned to use OIS o Took pictures of a single-celled cavity, and LR1~3 • Made a program that uses angles to locate an image



Why is My Project Important?



• Achieve higher accelerator gradients o Cavities with consistent, high gradients are needed for projects-ILC • Defects limit SRF cavities

Goals for the Summer

- Complete my project
- Stay out of Nick's hair
- Learn something
- Have fun!!

