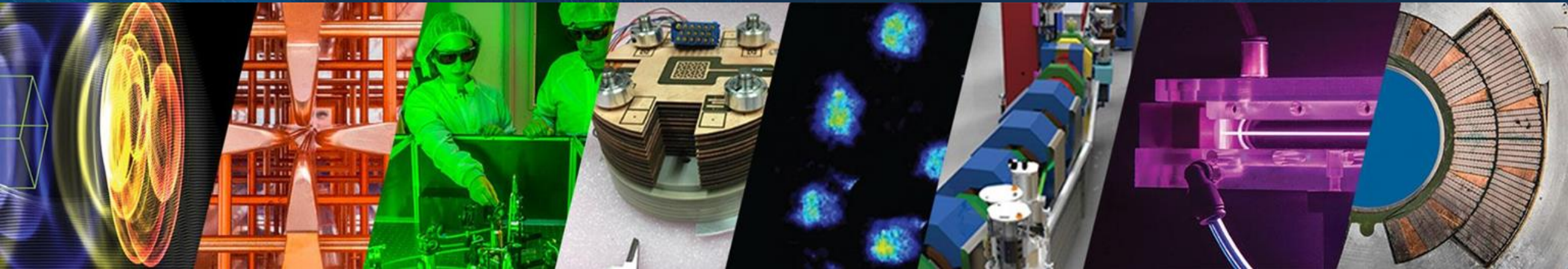


# RF studies at LBNL and application to cooling

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# Overview of the RF development for particle accelerators at LBNL

## RF electromagnetic design



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D. Wang



J. Staples



D. Merenich (incoming)

## Mechanical design



A. Lambert



S. Virostek

## Low Level RF control



G. Huang



Q. Du

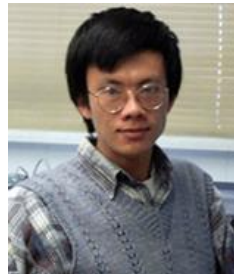


L. Doolittle

## RF related beam dynamics



C. Mitchell



J. Qiang

## Fabrication

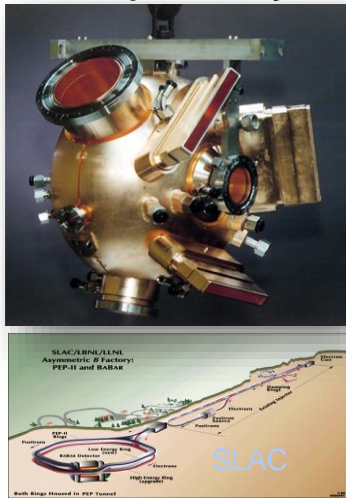
Comprehensive engineering shops and laboratories in LBNL Engineering Div.

## Core R&D areas on RF:

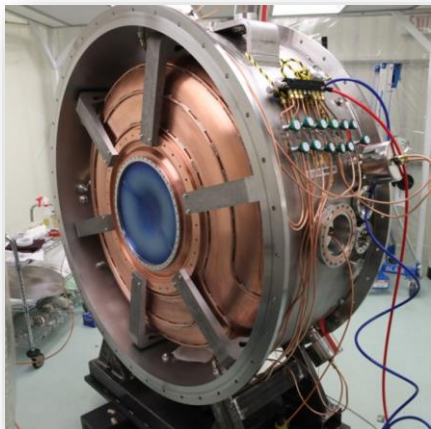
- Advanced RF design, engineering & fabrication
  - Specialized RFQ accelerator and CW **NCRF** design and engineering;
  - Innovative and HOM-damped RF cavities and beam impedance modeling;
  - Novel RF structure design.
- High precision Low Level RF control
  - developed FPGA-based MARBLE board;
  - contribution to LCLS-II, PIP-II, AWA, etc.
- Many of our RF projects are close collaborations across different programs and divisions.

# Innovative NC RF design, engineering, fabrication and system integration have been one of Berkeley Lab's core strengths to serve DOE's accelerator projects in HEP, BES and NP

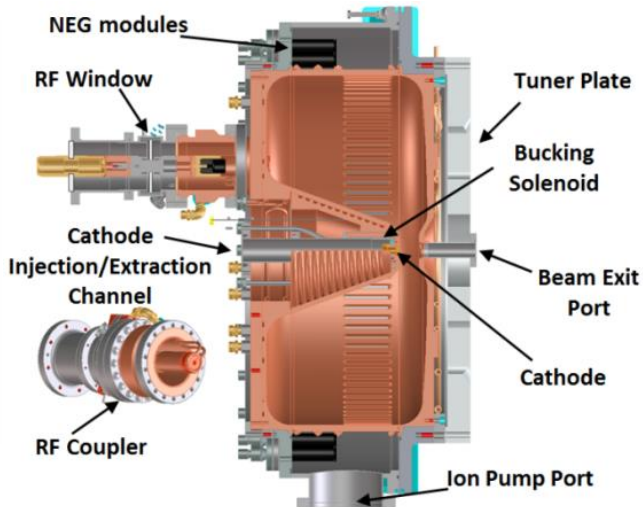
PEP-II HOM Damped Cavity



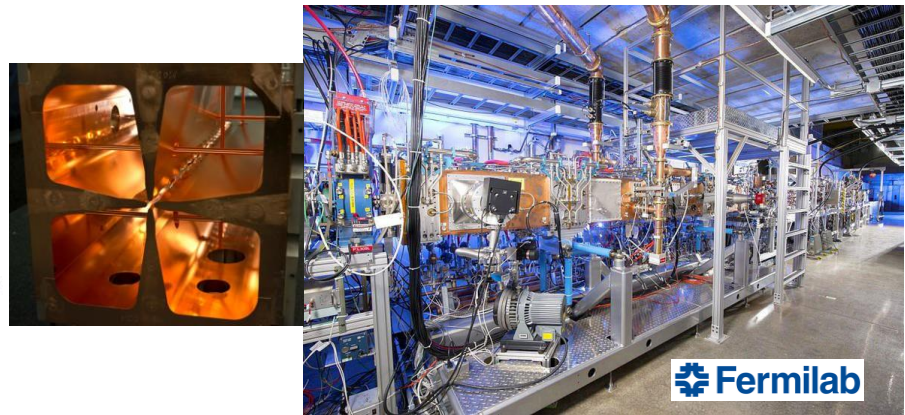
201 MHz MICE RF module



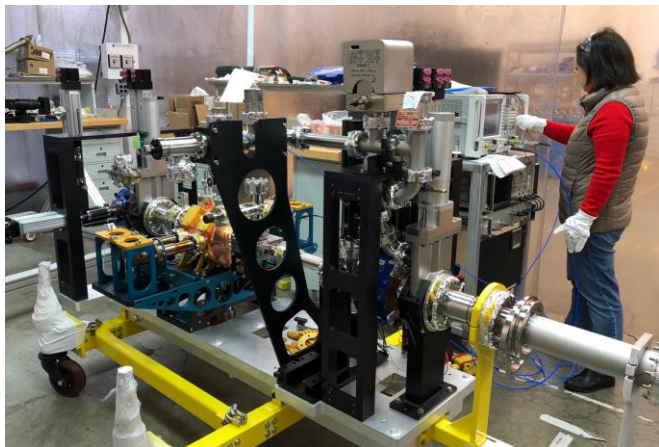
APEX 186 MHz CW Gun Cavity at HiRES UED Beamline, LBNL



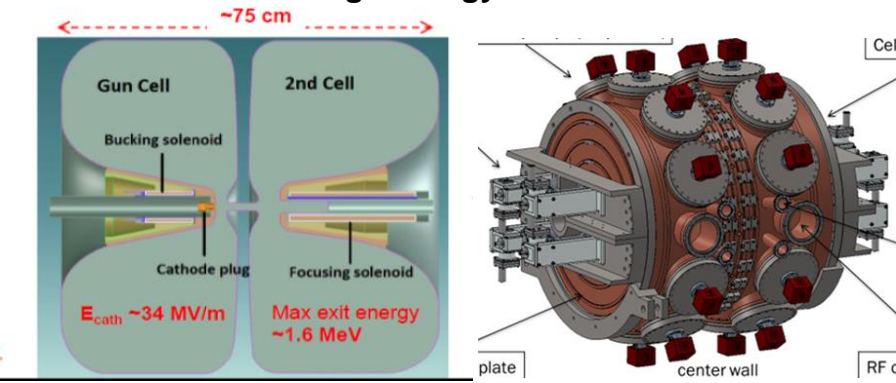
162.5 MHz CW RFQ for PIP-II



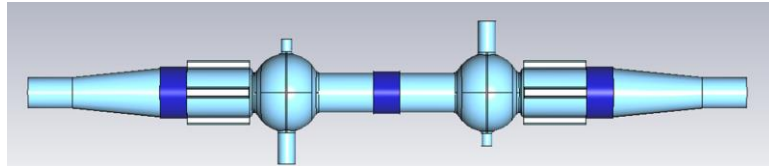
LCLS-II Injector (186 MHz Gun & 1.3 GHz buncher)



RF and conceptual mechanical design for 186 MHz APEX2 Gun for high energy XFEL and UED/UEM



RF design for an 1.5 GHz HOM-damped, low r/Q 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic cavity for ALS-Upgraded



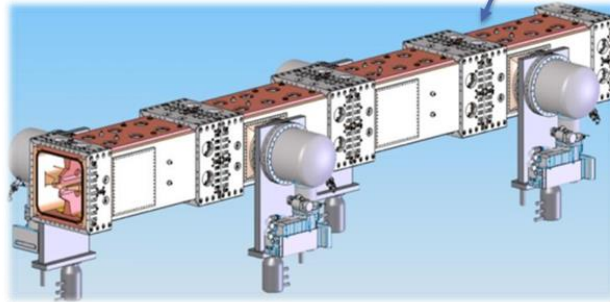
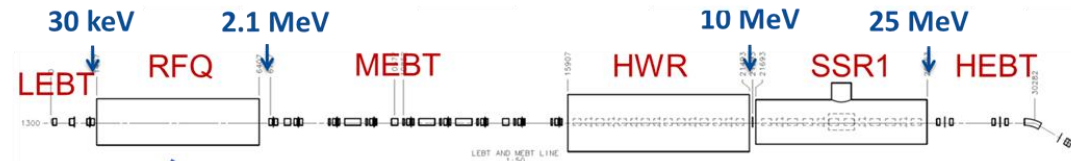
**RF geometry design implementing multi-objective optimization computational tools:**

- APEX2 (design)
- ALS-U 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic cavity

# RFQ for PIP-II Injector: a CW RFQ Berkeley Lab built with high transmission and innovative RF designs

## Beam dynamics

PIP-II Injector:

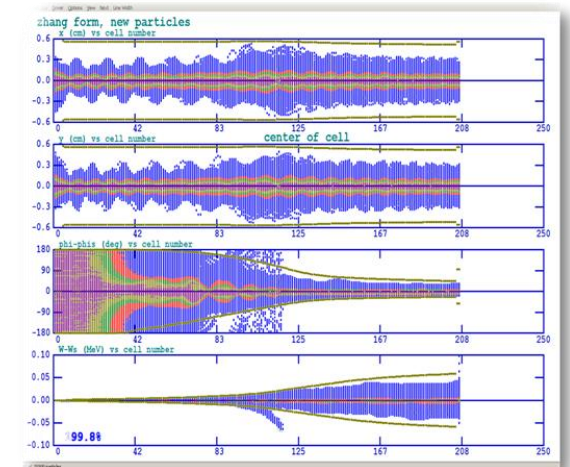


3D CAD model of PIP-II RFQ



Modulated Vane

- Meet the PIP-II RFQ beam dynamics requirements with over 99% transmission
- Large operational and dipole mode separation
- Low tip-to-tip vane voltage → lower RF power

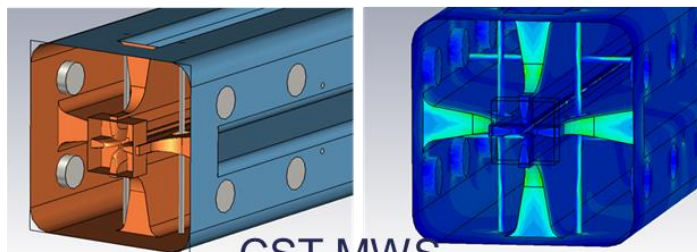


Beam Dynamics Tracking by PAMTEQ

# RFQ for PIP-II Injector: 3D RF Design with advanced *EM* simulation codes in collaboration with FNAL

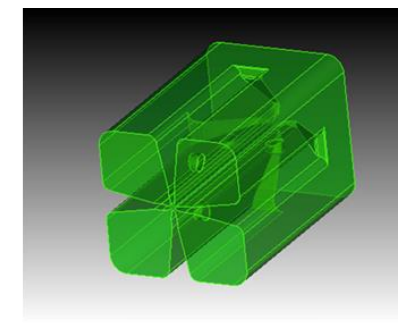
Beam dynamics

RF design

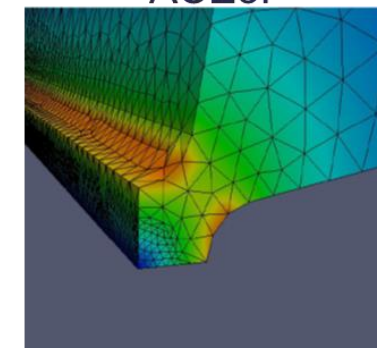


Parameters	PXIE-T
Frequency, MHz	162.493
Frequency of dipole mode, MHz	181.99
Q factor	14660
Q factor drop due to everything, %	-14.7
Power loss per cut-back, W (In/Out)	336/389
Max power loss density at cut-back, W/cm <sup>2</sup>	7.9
Total power loss, kW	73.8
H, mm	172.73

Section	Power (kW)
Walls	29.5
Vanes	31
Input cut-backs	1.34
Output cut-backs	1.56
Pi-mode rods (32)	5.53
Tuners (80)	4.79
Sub-total	73.72
Beam power at 5 mA	10.5
Total	84.22



ACE3P



- We have developed an effective RF and engineering design method (procedures and tools) in RF structure designs starting from physics/beam dynamics → RF → thermal → mechanical stress analysis
- We have successfully applied the method to the design of many RF structures.

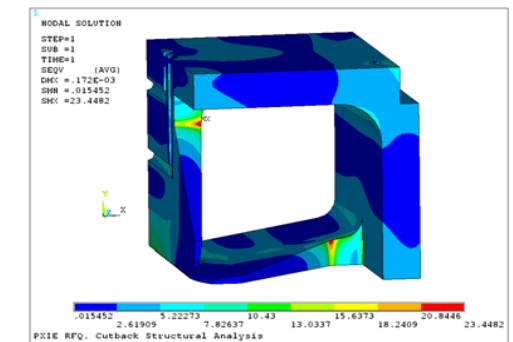
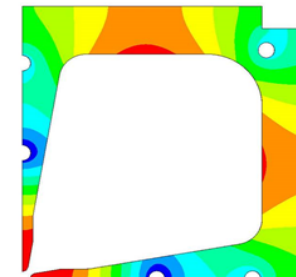
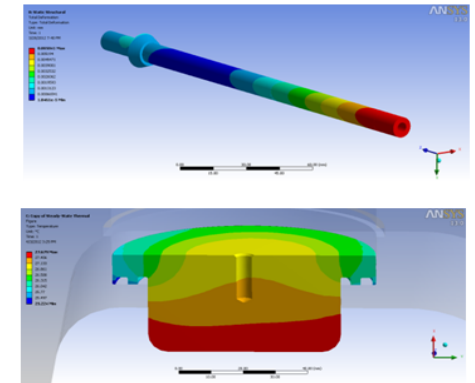
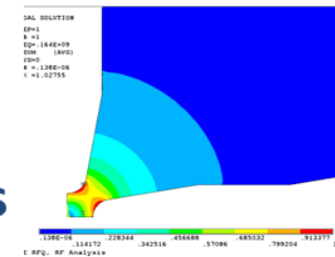
# RFQ for PIP-II Injector: Thermal and stress management (cooling design) thru ANSYS analysis

Beam dynamics

RF design

Mechanical design & analysis

- Numerous engineering analyses carried for design validation
- Cavity body and vane cutback thermo-mechanical analyses using an ANSYS **RF/thermal/structural model**
- Stress analysis using converted ANSYS thermal model
- Water temperature tuning analysis using a separate ANSYS model
- Calculation of area properties for body stiffness analysis
- Sub-model of the cutback region (RF, thermal, displacement)



# RFQ for PIP-II Injector: Fabrication, assembly, cooling & support system integration & RF tuning at Berkeley Lab

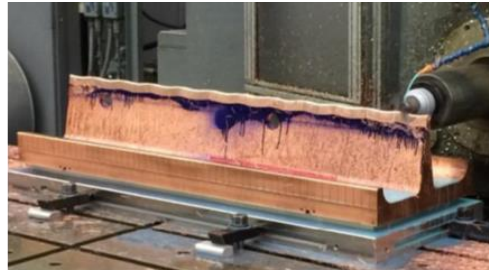
Beam dynamics

RF design

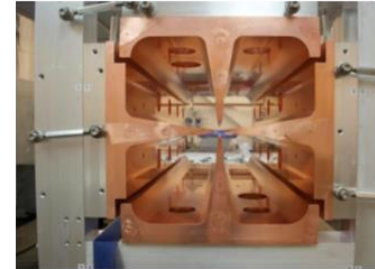
Mechanical design & analysis

Fabrication

Low power RF test & calibration



High precision machining



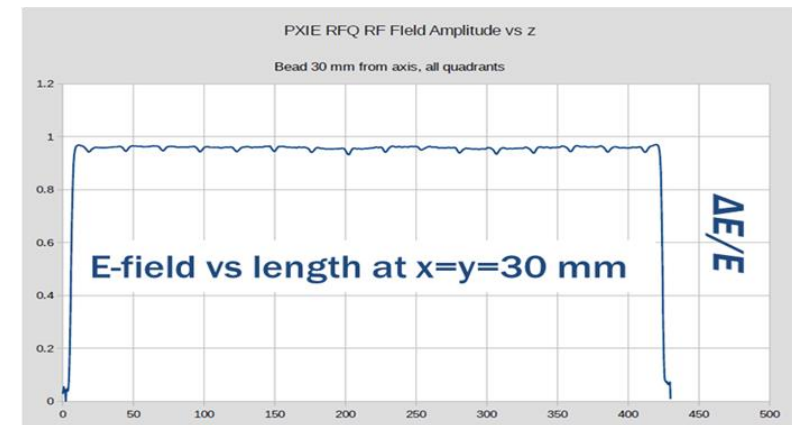
Cross-section of Test Module



Bead pull measurement



Water cooling system installation



Field flatness ~ within  $\pm 1\%$

# RFQ for PIP-II Injector: Successfully commissioned at FNAL with nearly 100% beam transmission (pulsed) and full CW power

Beam dynamics

RF design

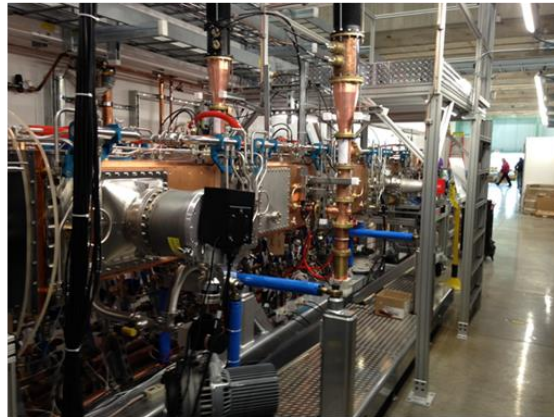
Mechanical design & analysis

Fabrication

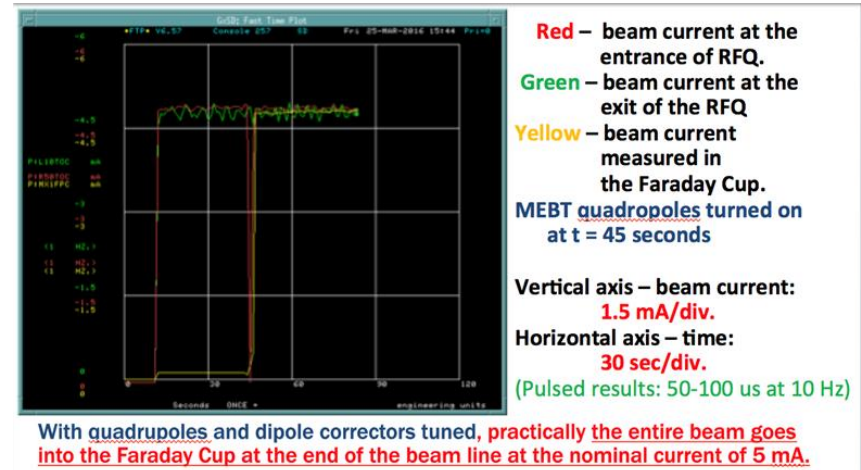
Low power RF test & calibration

High power commissioning

- The RFQ beam commissioning started on March 23, 2016, and saw an accelerated beam within an hour with
  - Beam transmission of  $98\% \pm 2\%$
  - Beam current 1-10 mA (pulsed)
  - Beam energy:  $2.11 \text{ MeV} \pm 0.5\%$
- Switched to CW RF commissioning & reached full design power in 1.5 days



RFQ installed at FNAL





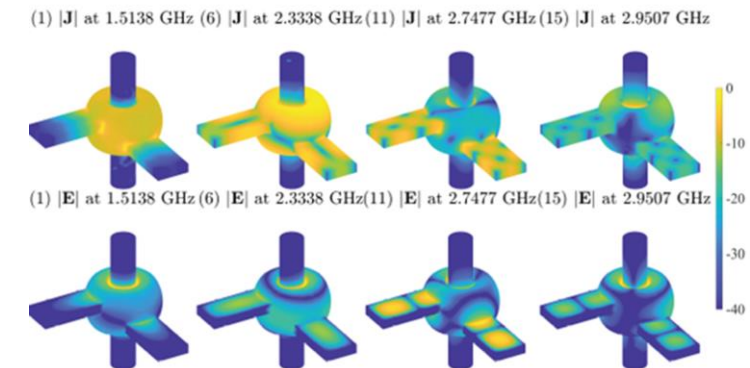
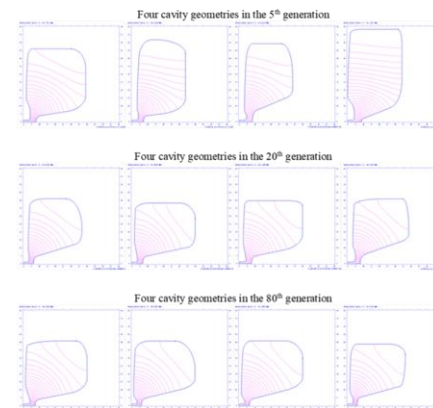
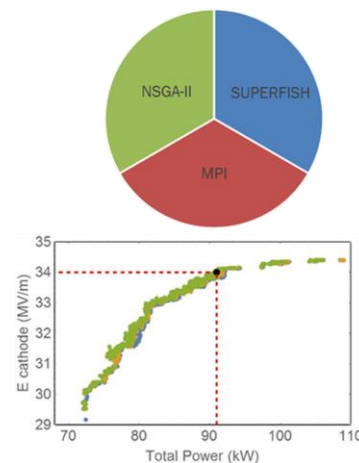
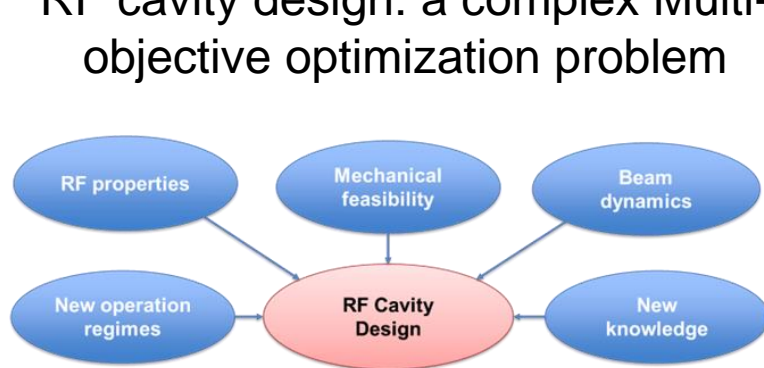
# RFQ for PIP-II Injector: Team work among physicists, engineers and technicians; smooth collaboration between LBNL and FNAL.



# Developing advanced computational methods for general RF cavity geometry design

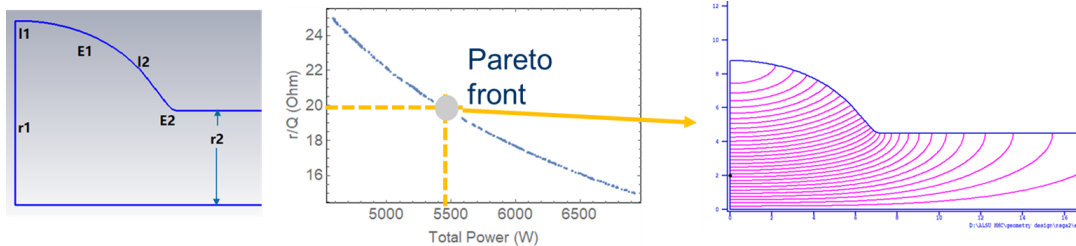
- A cavity design program based on Non-dominating Sorting Genetic Algorithm has been developed and applied to several cavity design projects.
- Future upgrade: implementing surrogate modeling for the multi-objective optimization and strengthening the HPC capabilities.
- With Computing Science Division, applied a Green's function-based field solver to RF cavity eigenmode simulation: significant reduction of simulation time and memory.
- Extending from frequency domain to time domain for the beam-cavity interaction.
- Looking forward to applying them to the MuC cavity design.

RF cavity design: a complex Multi-objective optimization problem

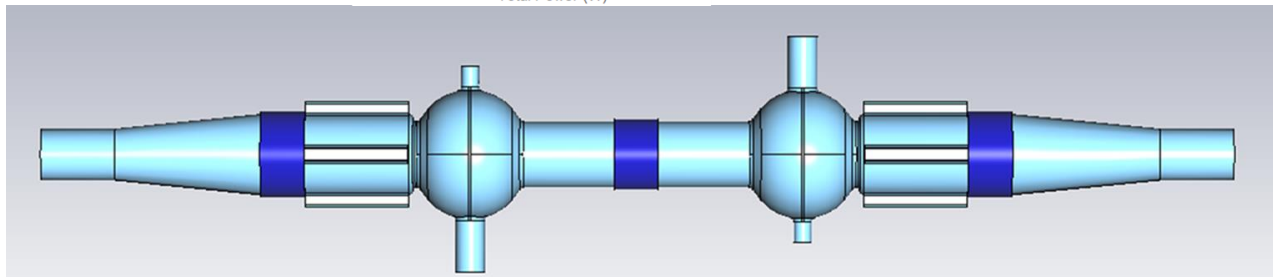


# Novel RF design for specific beam dynamics requirements: a HOM heavily-damped NCRF cavity for ALS-U

- ALS Upgrade (ALS-U): a soft X-ray diffraction limited synchrotron light source, a significant increase of the light brightness compared to today's ALS, a major scientific facility upgrade at LBL.
- We designed the new 1.5 GHz 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic cavity for ALS-U to lengthen the bunch to achieve the required beam lifetime.
  - Novel EM design of an elliptical cavity with enlarged and ridged waveguide for the unusual requirement of a high Q but low r/Q.
  - Supporting the mechanical design (in progress) and future hardware production and testing.

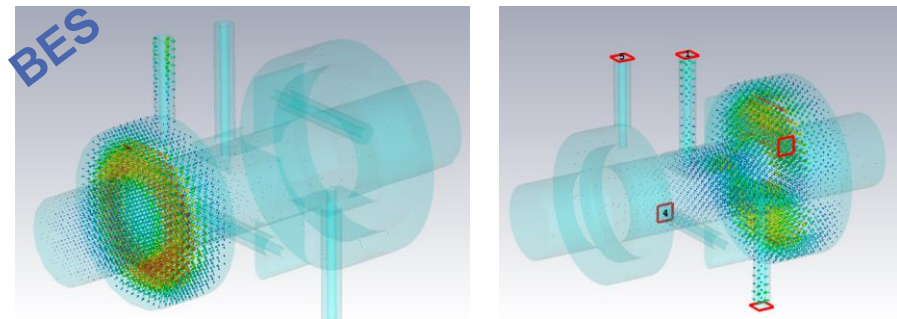


A direct application of our newly developed design program based on the genetic algorithm.

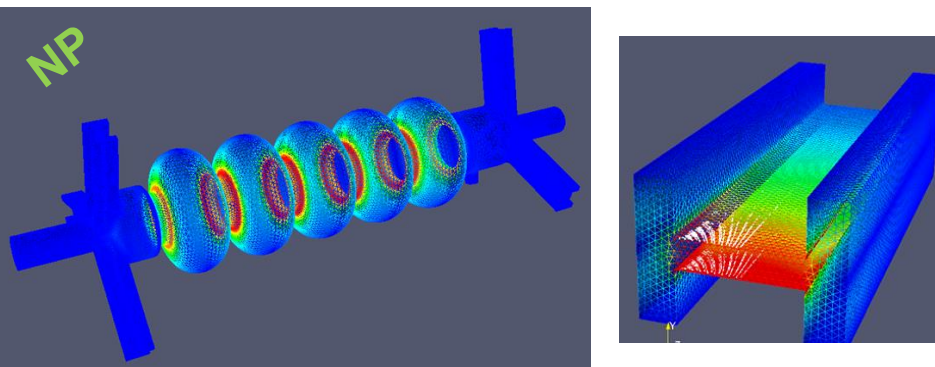


EM design focusing on higher-order-mode (HOM) damping and beamline absorbers (BLA),

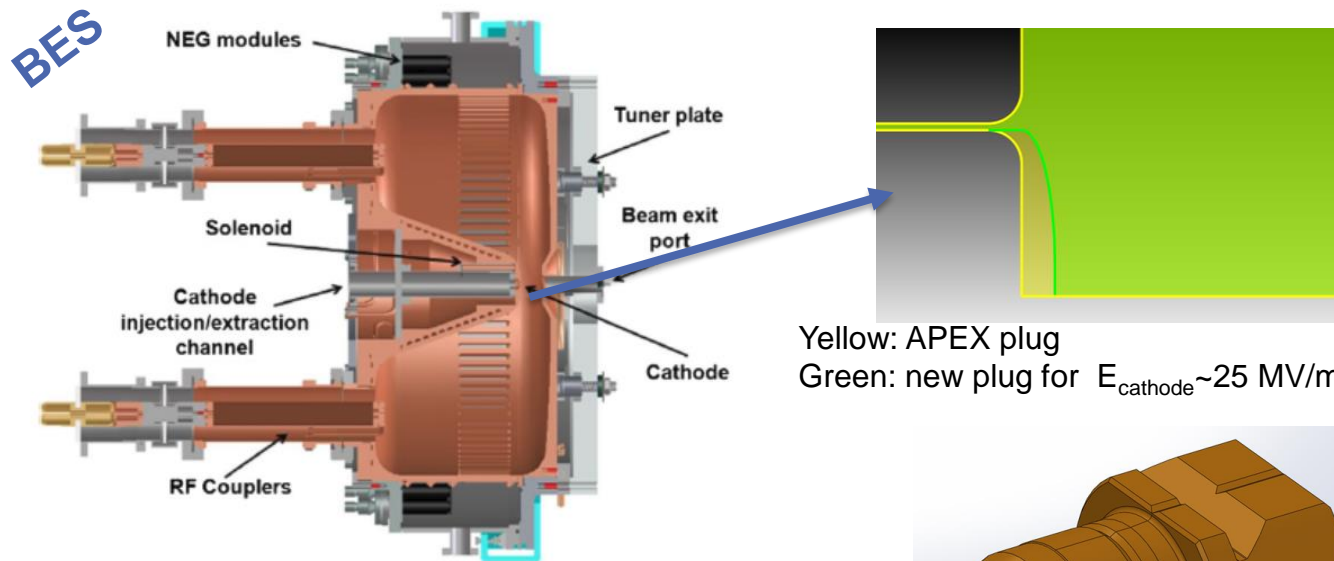
# Collaborating within and outside LBNL to apply NCRF expertise to particle accelerators and beyond



Cavity BPM for MeV Ultrafast Electron Microscopy **HIRES** beamline at **LBNL**.



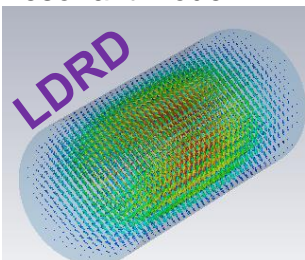
Multipacting and HOM damping analysis for the then proposed Energy Recovery Linac for **Electron Ion Collider**. Collaborating with **BNL**.



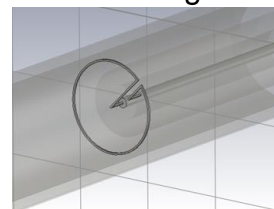
A new cathode plug design to significantly increase the E field on the cathode for **LCLS-II HE** cathode testing program. Collaborating with **SLAC**.

3D CAD model of the new plug

Cyclotron radiation resonant mode



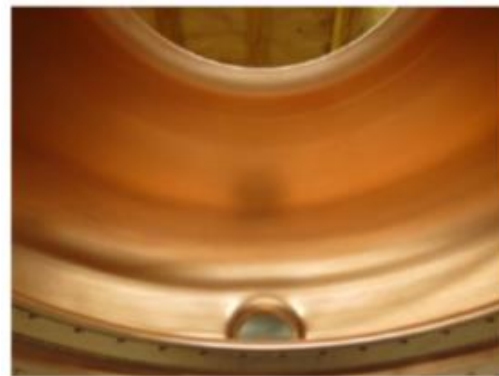
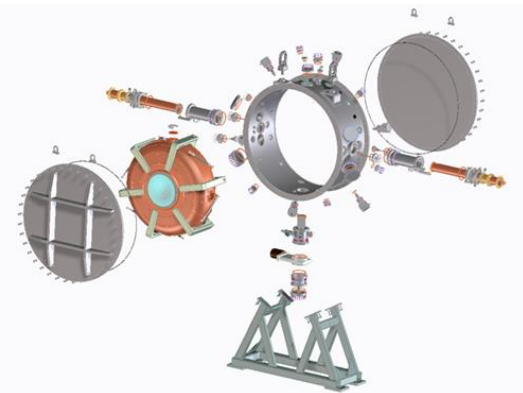
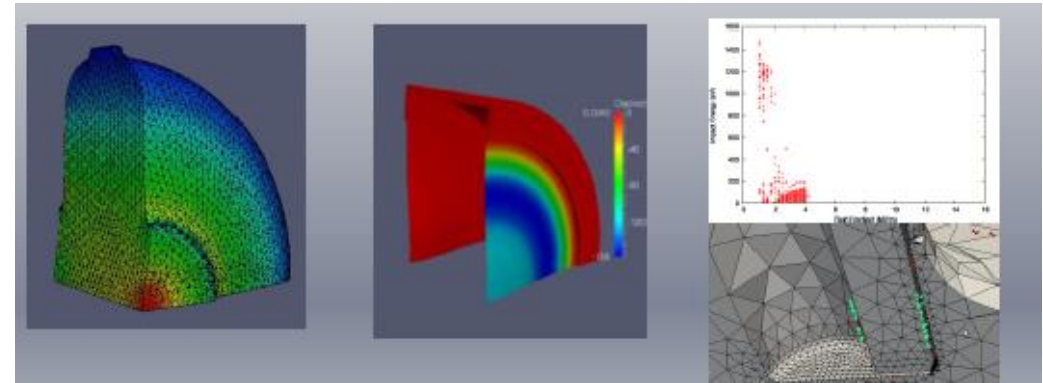
A novel antenna readout design



Designing a RF cavity to detect the frequency in the Cyclotron Radiation Emission Spectroscopy for **Project 8**, a nuclear experiment to measure the neutrino mass. Collaborating with **LBL Nuclear Science Division**.

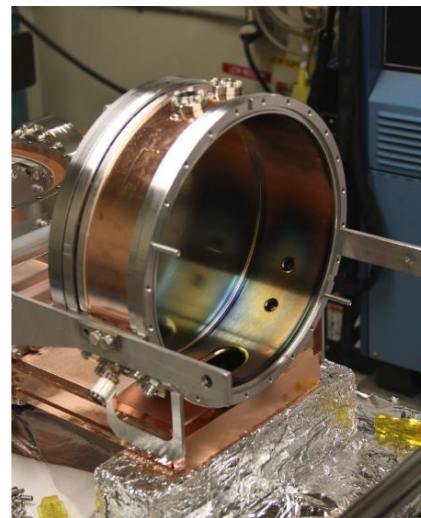
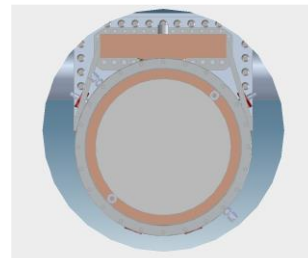
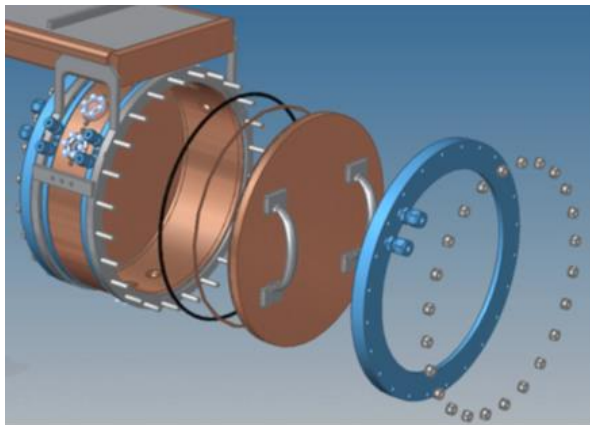
# 201 MHz RF cavity module for Muon Ionization Cooling Experiment

- At LBNL, we designed, built and carried out the low-power test for the 201 MHz MICE cavity.
- RF design study:
  - Novel RF design.
  - High precision calculation of EM field.
  - Multipacting investigation.
  - RF cavity thermal and Lorentz force analysis.
- Engineering development:
  - Curved thin beryllium windows.
  - Electropolishing of a large irregular surface.
  - TiN coating by plasma deposition on irregular surface.
  - Frequency tuning arms with pressurized actuator.
  - Operation of two coupled vacuum volumes and vacuum burst protection for Be windows.
- High power commissioning of MICE cavity at Fermilab Mucool Test Area (MTA) has demonstrated the stable operation in the strong B field similar to the MICE environment. However, the cavities were not installed on the MICE beamline eventually, due to the time and resource limits.



# 805 MHz modular cavity developed under Muon Accelerator Program (MAP)

- At LBNL, we have collaborated with SLAC and Fermilab on the design, production and low power RF test of an 805 MHz modular cavity, and actively participated the high-power test at Fermilab MTA.
- This cavity is the most recent iteration of a series of testing RF cavities for studying the RF breakdown in the strong B field for the muon ionization cooling, an integration of all previous experience and lessons-learned.
  - Moving the power coupling to the side wall to reduce the peak E field at the coupler.
  - Designing the cavity geometry to minimize the effects of dark current and pulsed heating.
  - Cleaning and polishing the interior cavity surfaces to reduce the density of field emission sites.
  - Investigating the role of material type, production, surface conditioning, etc. in the breakdown process.
- Achieving the steady operation at  $\sim 50$  MV/m in  $B=3$ T environment with Be end plates, a significant milestone for the cavity R&D for the muon ionization cooling.

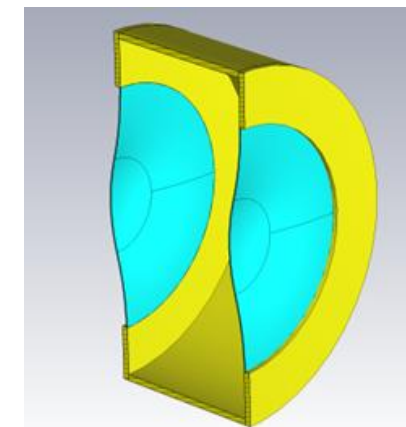


Stable Operation Gradients achieved with different end plate materials at MTA tests

Material	$B$ -field (T)	SOG (MV/m)	BDP ( $\times 10^{-5}$ )
Cu	0	$24.4 \pm 0.7$	$1.8 \pm 0.4$
Cu	3	$12.9 \pm 0.4$	$0.8 \pm 0.2$
Be	0	$41.1 \pm 2.1$	$1.1 \pm 0.3$
Be	3	$> 49.8 \pm 2.5$	$0.2 \pm 0.07$
Be/Cu	0	$43.9 \pm 0.5$	$1.18 \pm 1.18$
Be/Cu	3	$10.1 \pm 0.1$	$0.48 \pm 0.14$

# A recent conceptual design of an 805 MHz cavity with Be windows for cooling

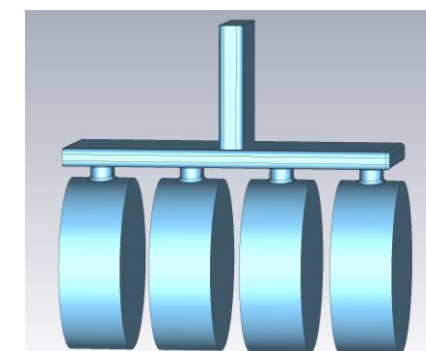
- The basic idea is to implement the RF design and engineering experience learnt from MICE and MAP cavities to design a new cavity.
  - $E_{cu\_max} < 13 \text{ MV/m}$  &  $E_{Be\_max} < 50 \text{ MV/m}$ , as demonstrated by MAP modular cavity.
  - Coupling from the torus on the side to avoid high E field at the coupling iris, with the price of a larger solenoid bore size.
  - Curved B windows to mitigate the thermal stress.
  - Cavity length optimized for maximum shunt impedance per unit length.
- Relatively high technical readiness with moderate cavity gradient relevant to the cooling demo.
- Explore the novel distributed coupling for RF power feeding.
- Some features such as the large size ( $r \sim 9.6 \text{ cm}$ ) Be window needs further scrutiny.



Average E gradient w/o transient factor (MV/m)	27.4
E max on the Cu surface (MV/m)	13.0
E max on the Be surface (MV/m)	39.1
$r/Q$ ( $\Omega$ ) w/o transient factor	259
$Q_0$	21320
RF power (MW)	1.36

The achievable gradient, which is calculated as the total voltage divided by the cavity length, is 27.4 MV/m, comparable to the desired gradient for the rectilinear cooling channel.

The required RF power 1.36MW is at a similar level of MAP modular cavity.



# A summary of LBNL RF capabilities applicable to cooling demonstrator

- Novel NCRF structure designs
  - MICE and MAP cavity development experience.
  - MOGA-based design program
  - Software: SUPERFISH, CST, ACE3P, ANSYS
  - Hardware: BACI 512 GB 16-core server, NERSC.
- NCRF engineering, mechanical design, fabrication, assembly and system integration
  - MICE and MAP cavity development experience.
  - Comprehensive fabrication capabilities at LBNL Engineering Div., complemented by bay area local vendors.
- Training the next generation, both the physicists and engineers.
  - One NIU student supported by DOE SCGSR starts this Dec at LBNL working on cooling cavities' design.
- High precision LLRF.
- We still have 10 Be windows (curved, ID=42cm, thickness~0.38 mm) from MICE. If you see a good use for them for the cooling R&D, we are happy to share!