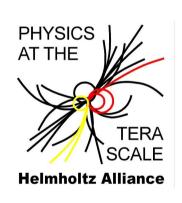
Optical inspection for high gradient SRF cavities



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Outline

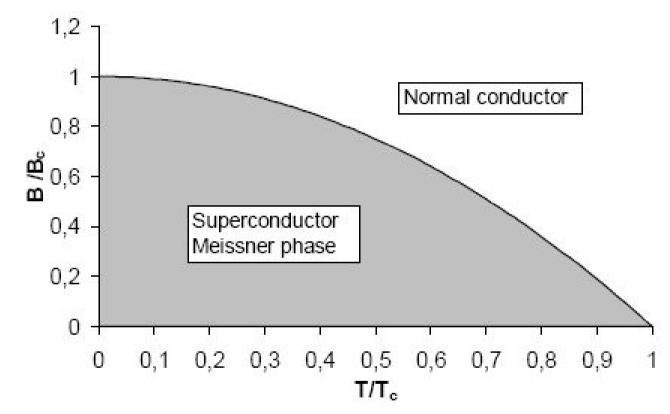
Limitations for SC and cavity gradients

A new optical inspection system

Future plans

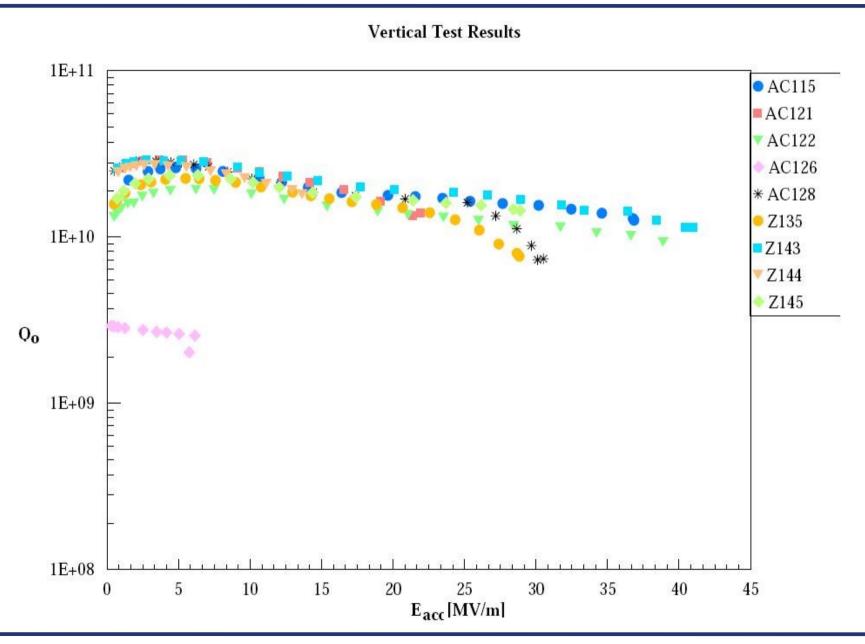
Limitations on SC

- SC state limited by two factors:
 - temperature
 - magnetic field



Peak magnetic field: fundamental limit in niobium
 E_{acc} ~ 57 MV/m

Spread in cavity performance



Field emission

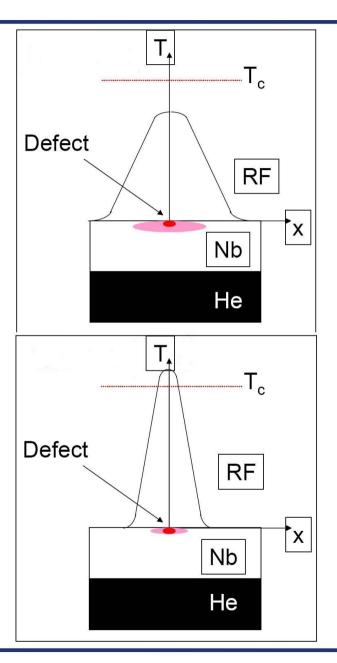
- Lowering of potential barrier by particles on surface

 → Emission of electrons in regions with high surface electric field
- Electrons are accelerated, hit surface and cause heating
- Primary limitation over past 5-10 years
- Nearly eliminated by careful surface preparation
 - Cleanroom handling
 - Etching or electropolishing
 - High pressure water rinsing

Thermal breakdown

- Localized effect at "defects" with higher R_s
 - Inclusions of foreign material
 - Bumps or pits
 - Welding defects
- Dissipation of energy

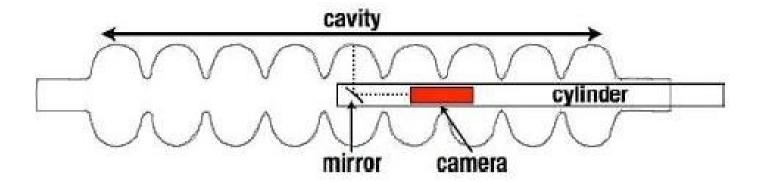
 → exceeding of T_c
- If heat can't be transported to He-bath by surrounding material → breakdown (quench)



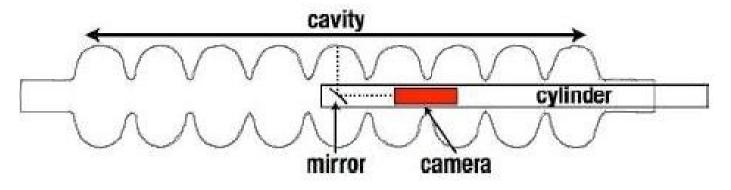
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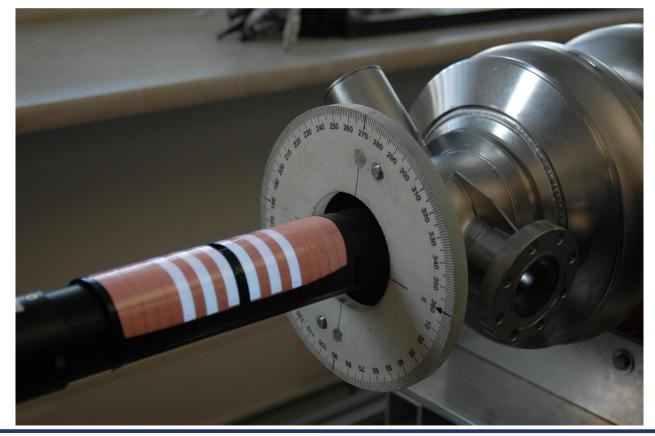
- Developed at Kyoto University and KEK
- High resolution camera (7 μm/pixel)
- Sophisticated lighting system
 - Adapted to difficult conditions (mirror-like surface)
 - Lighting from different angles possible
- Prototype reached DESY end of August
- Several cavities inspected with temporary setup

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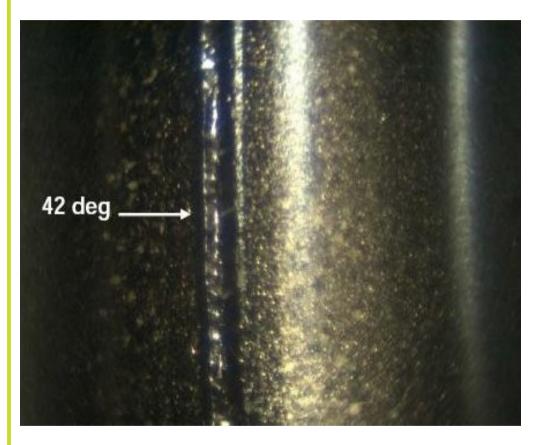
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Comparison: Old ↔ New

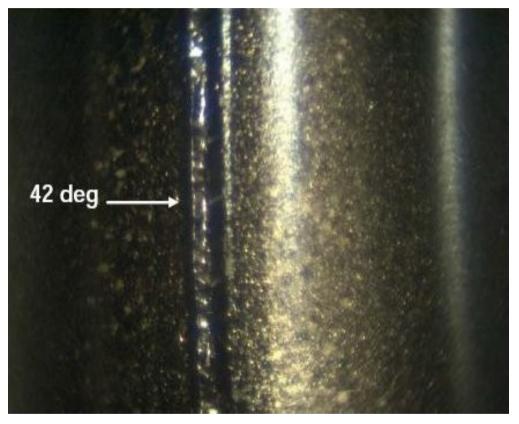
35x50 mm



DESY: Picture at 42 deg.

Comparison: Old ↔ New

35x50 mm



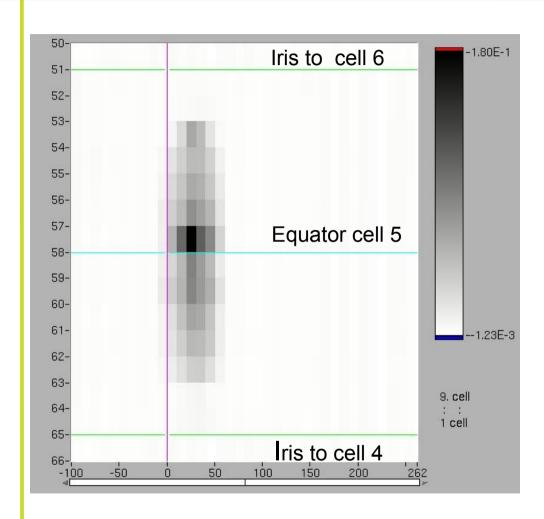
9x13 mm



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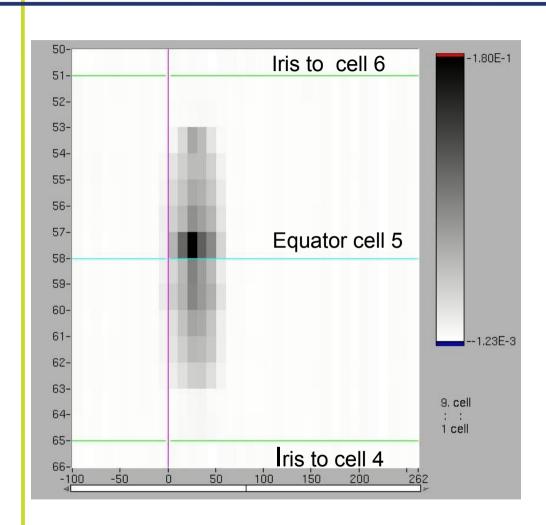
KEK: Picture at 43 deg.

Comparison: T-map ↔ Picture

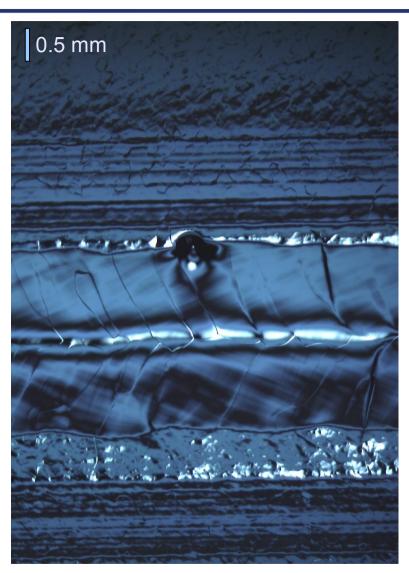


Z130: Quench in $3\pi/9$ -mode at 22 MV/m

Comparison: T-map ↔ Picture



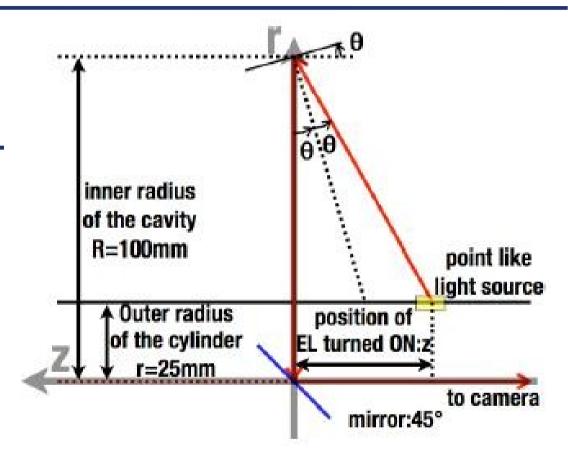
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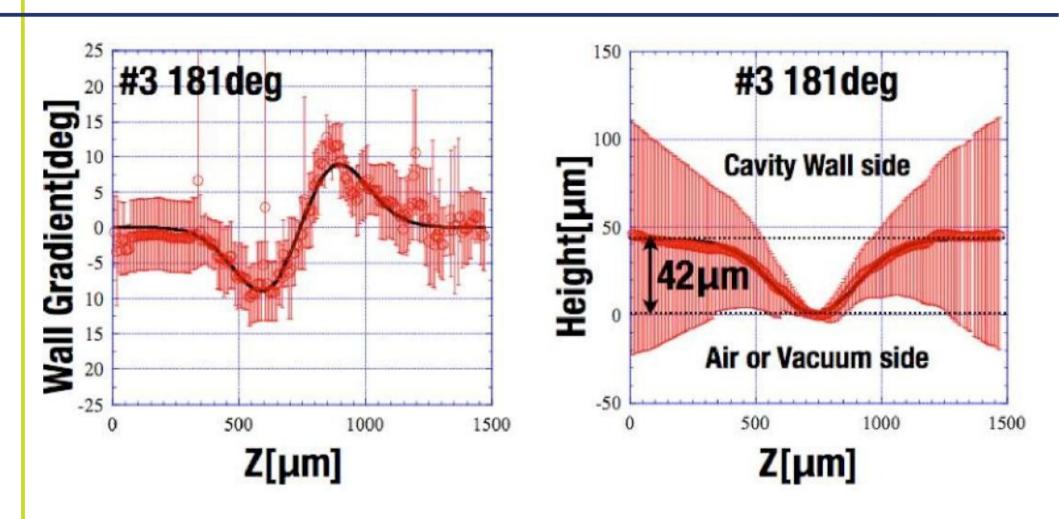
Picture at same location

Wall-gradient measurement

- Take pictures with different light sources
- Get information on wallgradient from reflection angle
- Convert gradient into height information

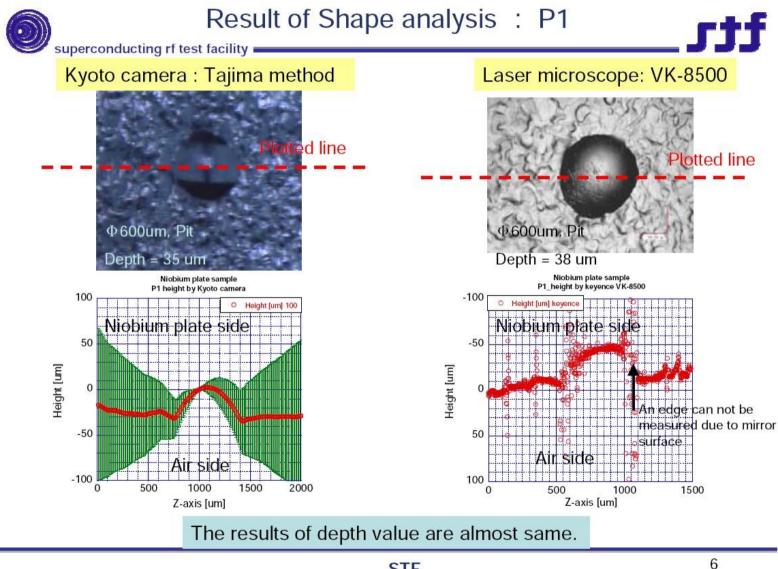


Wall-gradient measurement



Measurement at KEK

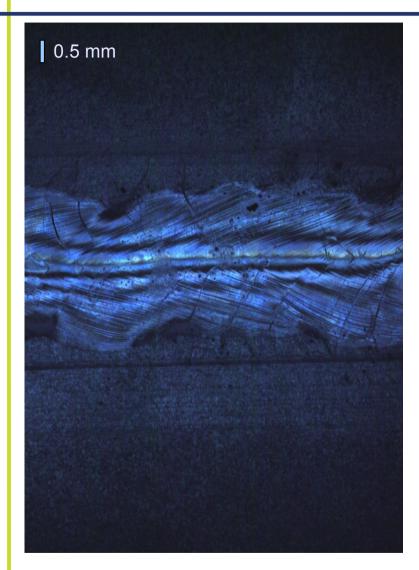
Wall-gradient measurement



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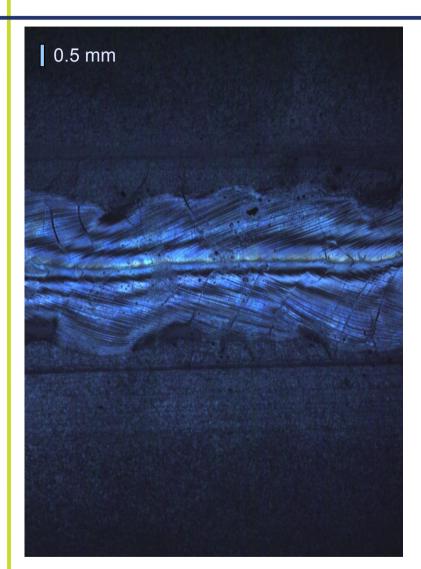
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Evolution of defects

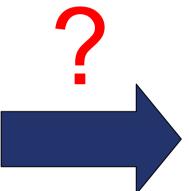


Z142: no chemical treatment yet

Evolution of defects







0.5 mm

Z111: treated by EP and BCP

Plans for the future

- New cavity handling system
 - Cavities without and with He-tank
 - Measurement as completely automated as possible
- Include Pattern recognition software
- Correlate T-map with optical data
- Track evolution of defects during preparation steps
- Cut inspected cavity for surface analysis (ongoing)
- Goal: Use optical data for predictions on cavity performance to maximize gradient and production yield