

# Design of Electron Gun

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# Introduction of SAMEER

- SAMEER stands for 'Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering and Research' and is an off shoot of TIFR.
- SAMEER is a R&D laboratory of Ministry of Communication and Information Technology (formerly Department of Electronics) of Govt of India.
- We have 3 centers: Mumbai (head office), Chennai and Kolkata and 2 upcoming centers at Vishakhapatnam and Guwahati.
- Successfully established Linac Development for 6 and 15 MeV electron linac.
- We have made  $\pi/2$  mode, Standing Wave Side Coupled Linac and developed a Radiation Oncology Unit using this Linac.

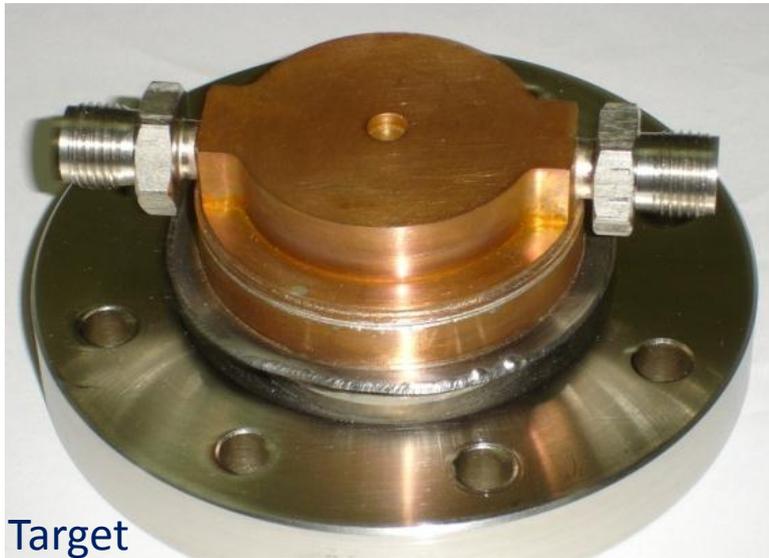
# Linac parts



Resonant Cavities



Electron gun



Target

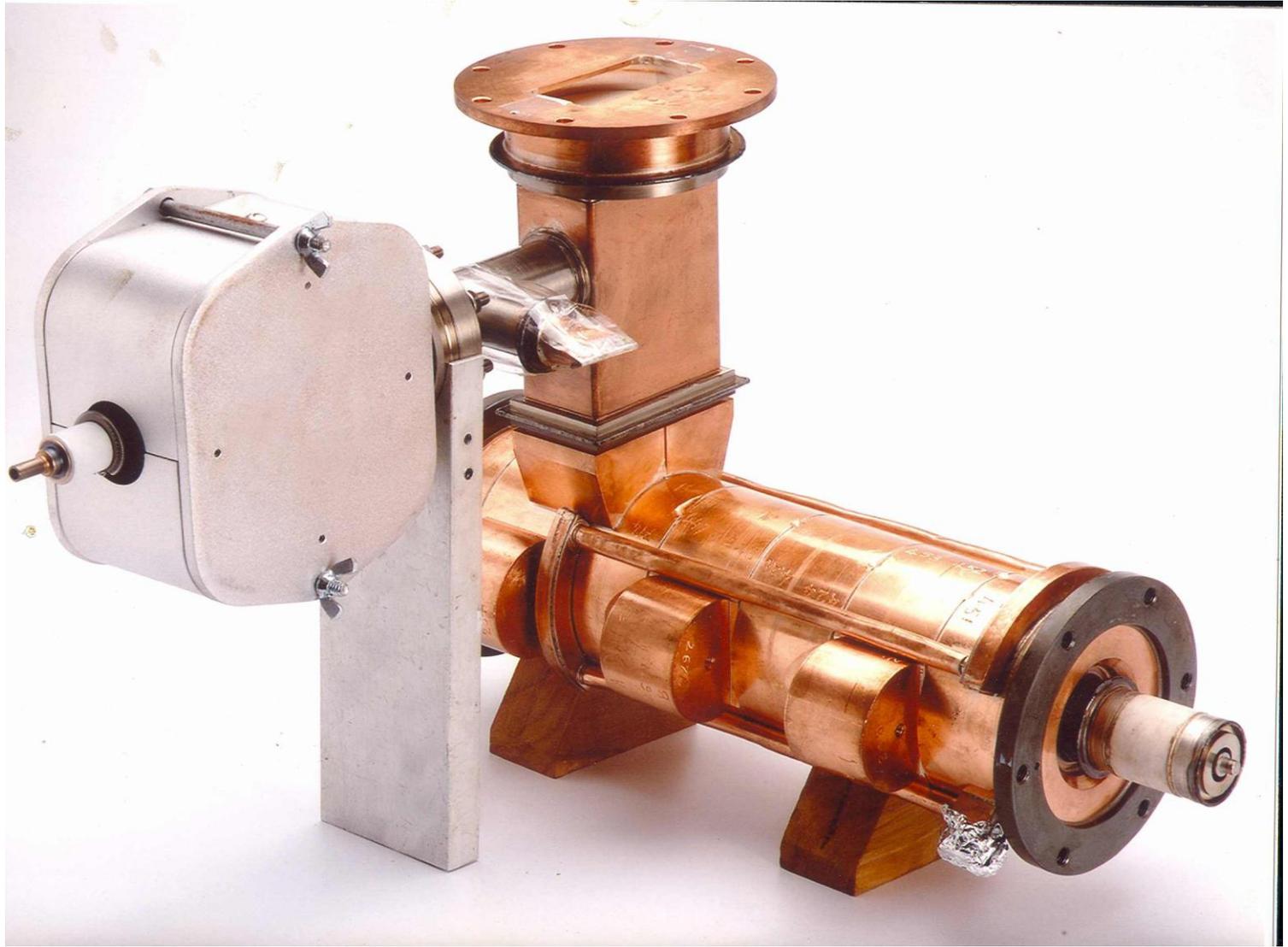


RF Window

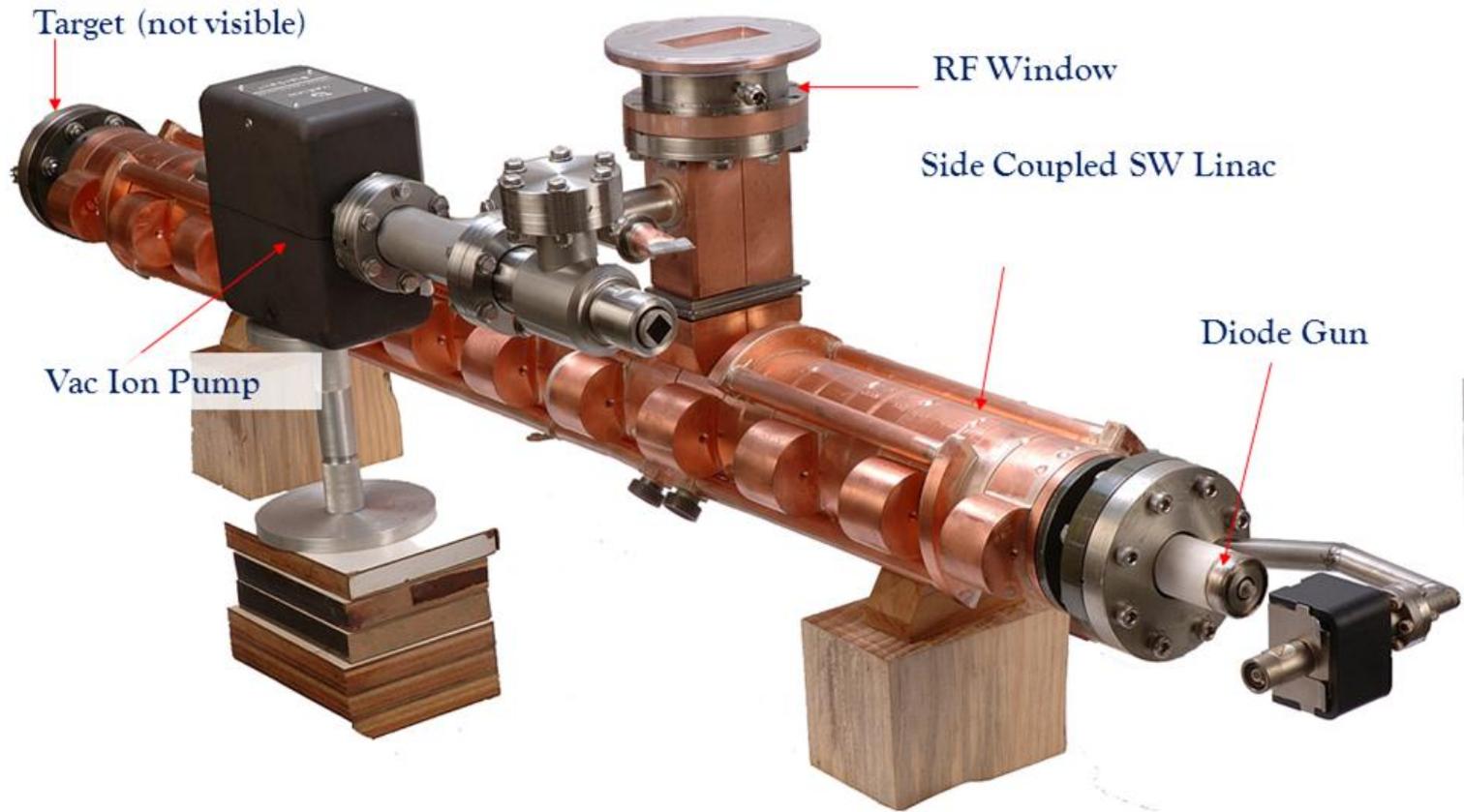
# Linac cavity



# 6 MeV Linac



# 15 MeV Linac

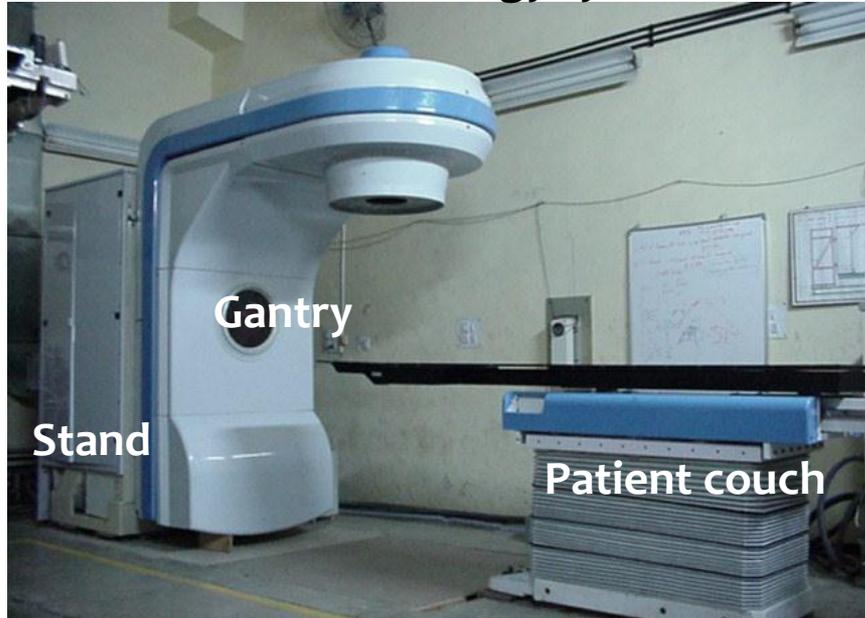


# SAMEER Linac

- Standing Wave, side coupled structure operating at  $\pi/2$  mode
- Stable operation at various locations
- Proven technology with most things done at SAMEER

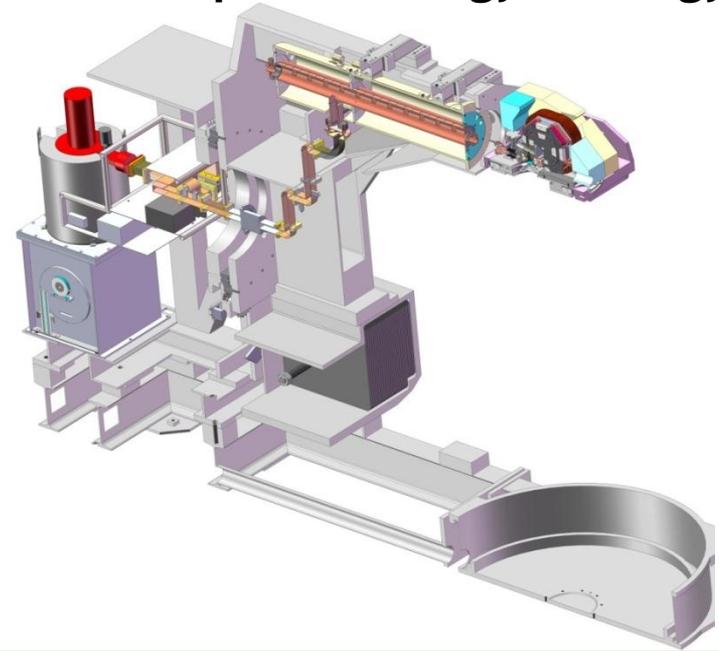
Parameter	Measured
Frequency, MHz	2997.65
Coupling, %	0.0278
Shunt Impedance, M $\Omega$ /m	87
Q (unloaded)	15000
VSWR	1.78
Energy, MeV	15
Input power, MW	6
Pulse width, $\mu$ s	6

## 6 MeV Oncology system



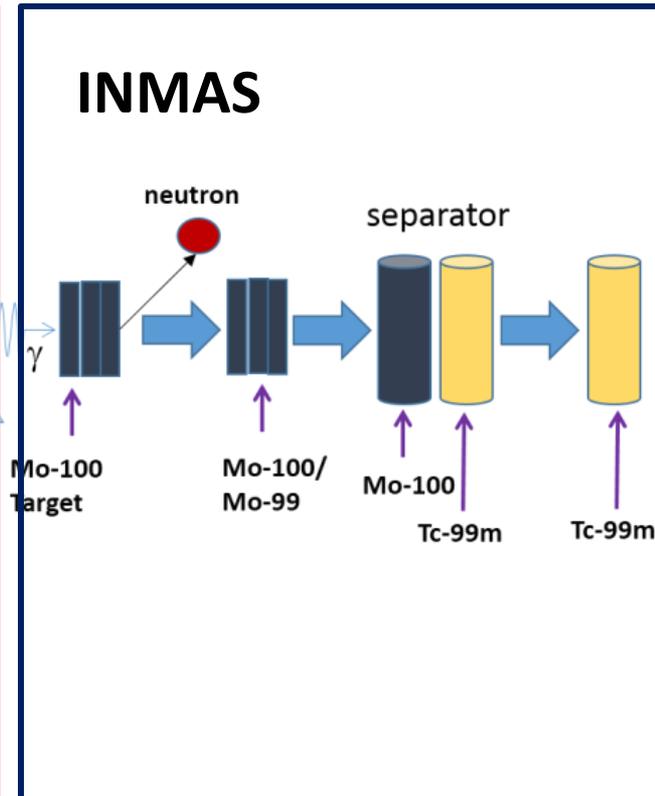
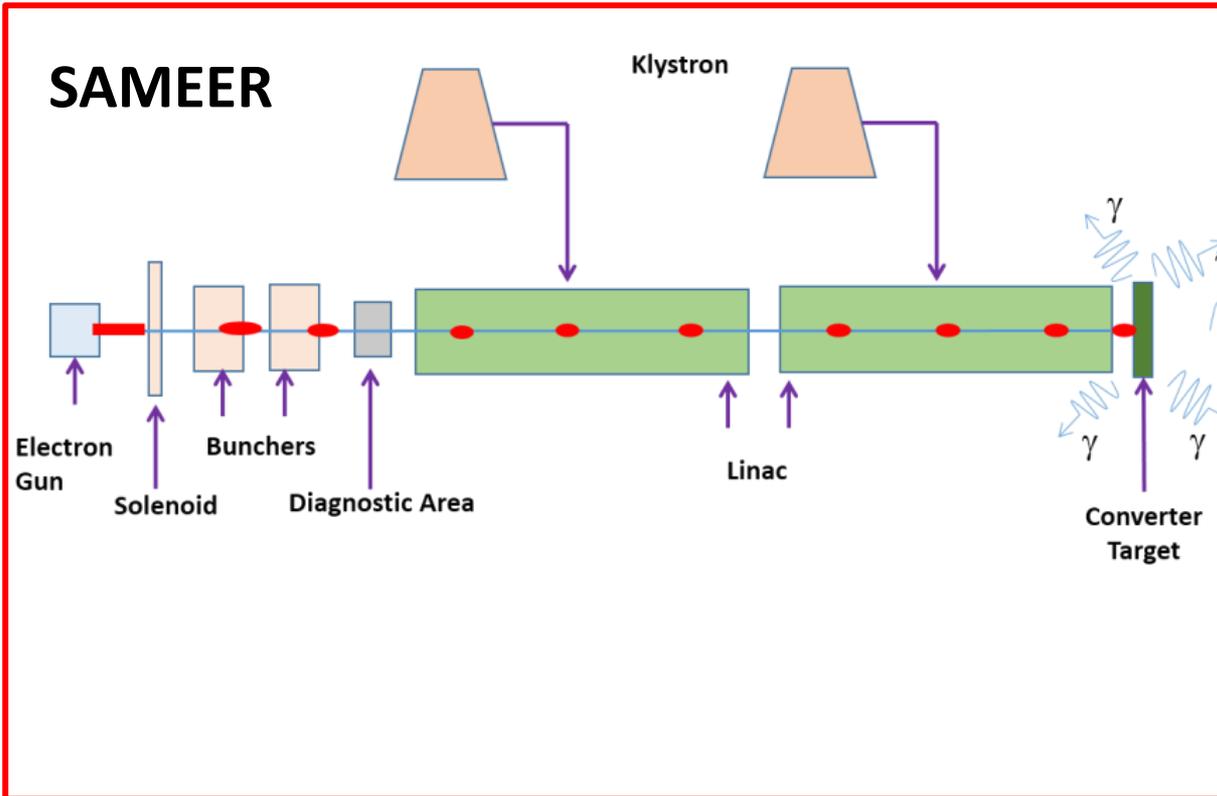
Energy, MeV	6
Dose Rate, RMM	240 (flattened)
Beam current average	120 $\mu$ A
R F Power	Magnetron 2.6 MW
Flatness	2%
Symmetry	$\pm$ 3%
Field size, cm <sup>2</sup>	Medical oxo cm to 35x35 cm

## Dual mode dual photon energy Oncology system



Modes	Photon	Electron
Energy	6, 15 MV	6,9,12,15,18 MeV
Dose rate	500 RMM	500 RMM
RF Power	Klystron 6 MW	
Flatness	< 3%	
Symmetry	$\pm$ 3%	
Field size	Variable from oxo cm to 35x35 cm	
Source to iso-center distance	100 $\pm$ 0.5 cm	

# 30 MeV, 8-10 kW Linac



- 30 MeV, 8-10 kW electrons hit the Converter target to produce X-rays
- The X-rays hit an enriched Mo-100 target and by ( $\gamma, n$ ) reaction Mo-100 converts to Mo-99 which has 66 hrs half life
- We elute Tc-99m from Mo-99. Tc-99m has 6.6 hrs half life

# Design of RF Gun

**Electron Source**

**RF Gun Basics**

**Details of RF Gun**

**Cavity for RF Gun**

**KEK RF Gun**

**Results of KEK Gun**

**Plan for IUAC Gun**

- Basics of Electron Source
- RF Gun basics
- Details of RF photo cathode gun
- Cavity design for RF gun
- Fabrication of RF gun at KEK
- Experimental results of KEK gun
- Plan for IUAC RF gun
- Applications of RF Gun
- Beam dynamics for RF gun

# Basics of Electron Source

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- Electron source or electron gun is a device which provides electrons for accelerators
- It essentially needs an electron generation mechanism and an extraction mechanism
- The generation could be thermionic, field emission or photo emission
- Extraction mechanism could be DC or RF

# Electron Emission Mechanisms

- **Thermal emission:** When heated to high temperatures (1000 to 3000 °C), materials may emit electrons
- **Field emission:** Electron emission due to high fields on surface
- **Photo electric emission:** Electron emission from photo emitters when photons hit the surface

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# Thermionic Emission

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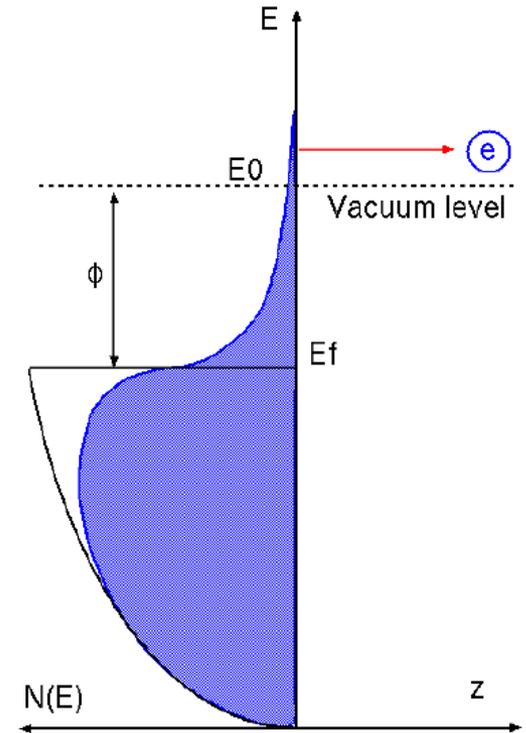
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- An emitter like Tungsten is heated using a dc / ac voltage
- At  $T=0$ ; electrons occupy states up to Fermi Energy  $E_f$
- For  $T>0$ , electron distributions extends to higher energy
- If the temperature is increased to say 1000 °C or above, electron acquire sufficient energy and escape outside.



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- Richardson- Dushman Equation governs the emission process

$$J = AT^2 e^{-\frac{\phi}{kT}}$$

$$A = \frac{4\pi emk^2}{h^3} = 1.2 \times 10^6 [A / m^2 K^2]$$

where,

A is thermionic emission constant

T is temperature in °K

e is electronic charge =  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  C

m is electron mass =  $9.11 \times 10^{-31}$  kg

$k_B$  is Boltzmann constant =  $1.38 \times 10^{-23}$  (J/K) =  $8.6175 \times 10^{-5}$  (eV/K)

h is Planck's constant =  $6.63 \times 10^{-34}$  (Js)

# Thermionic Emission

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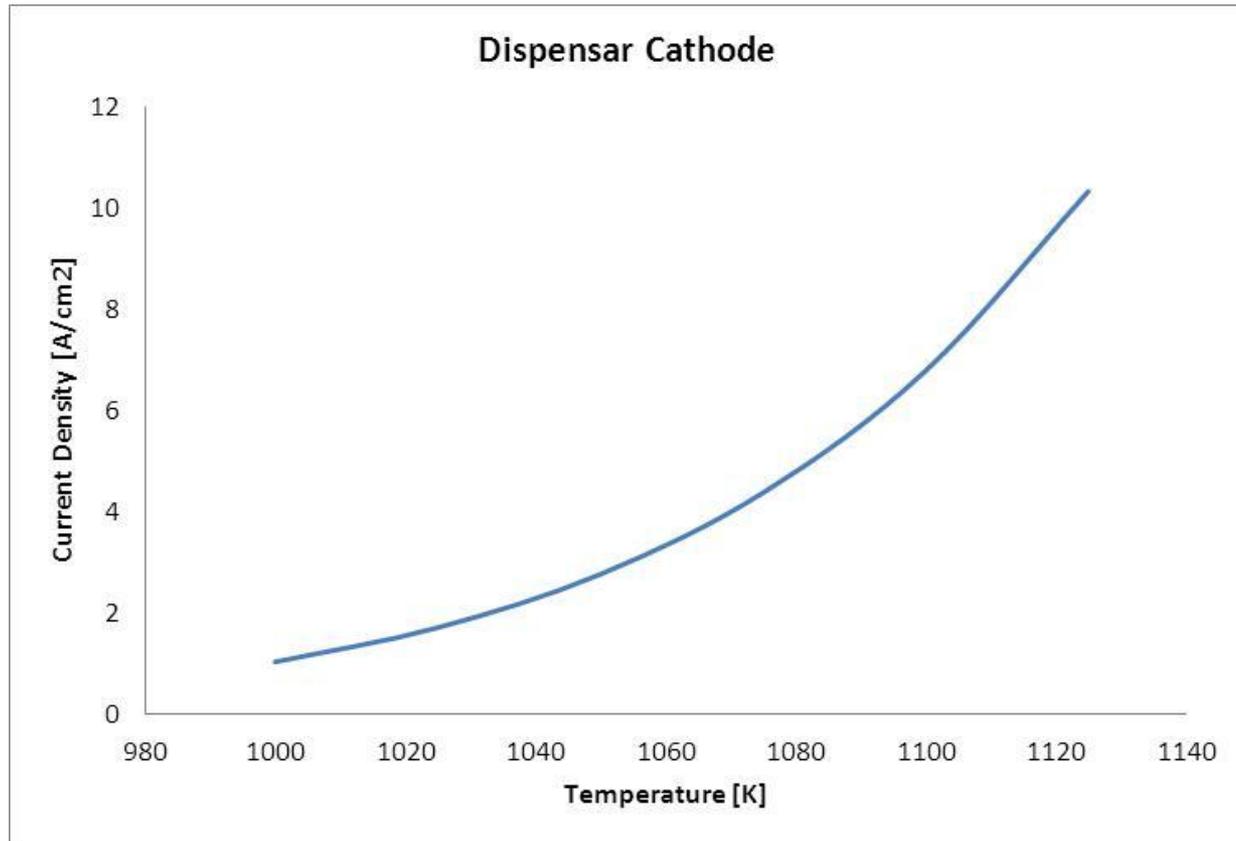
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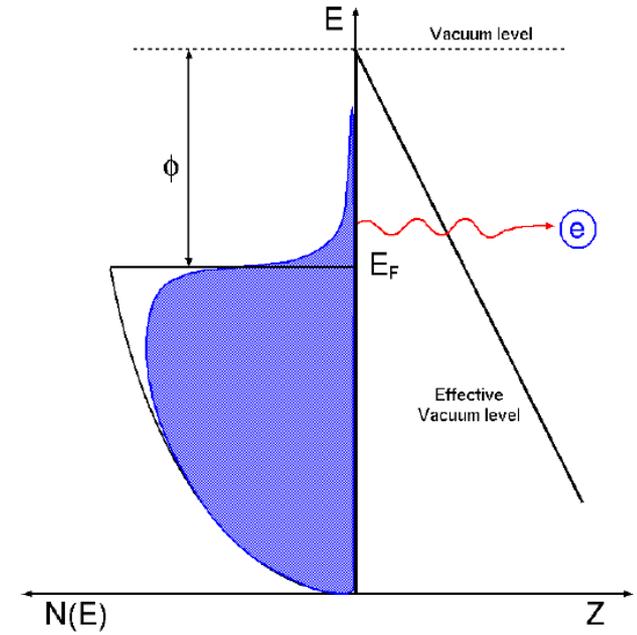
- Example:

- Pure Tungsten cathode
- Dispenser cathode: These are of porous tungsten impregnated with Barium Oxide.



# Field Emission

- If large RF field is applied, then the potential barrier becomes thin
- Electrons may tunnel out and emit from the surface
- Since there is no external heating is applied, hence it is many times referred as Cold Emission



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# Photo electron emission

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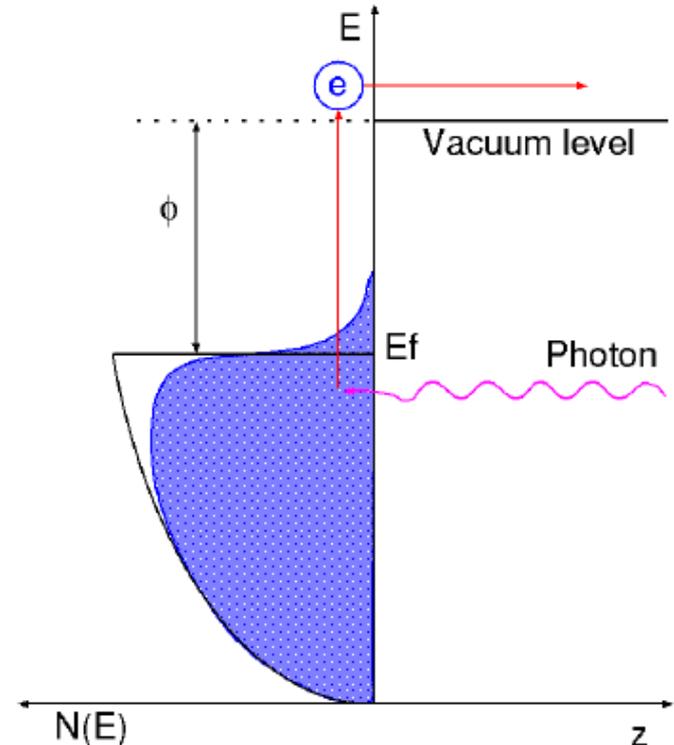
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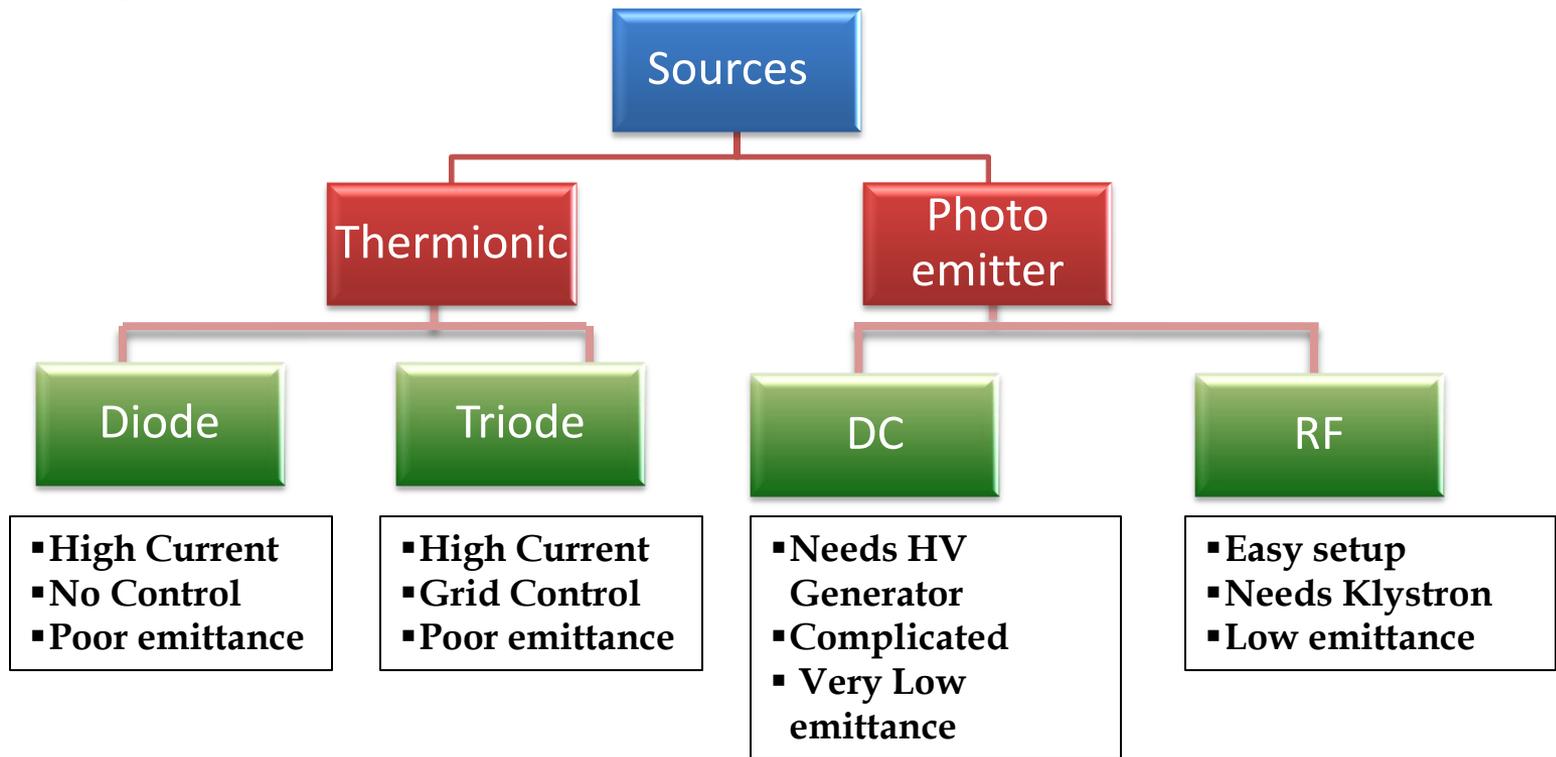
- A photon strikes the surface of an emitter
- The photon excites the electrons to higher energy states
- If the excited energy is sufficiently high, the electrons can escape outside
- The resultant current is photo emission current
- Condition for emission

$$h\nu > \phi$$



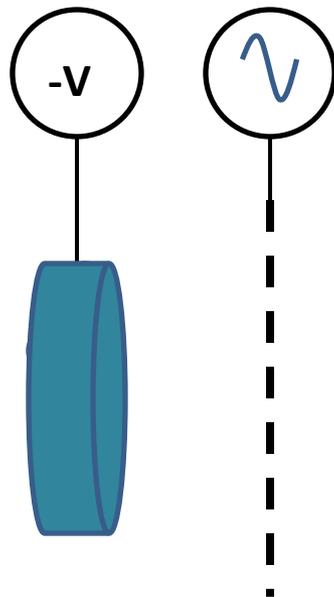
# Extraction mechanism

- Once the electrons are generated using any of above methods, these can be extracted by DC or RF mechanism.
- Accordingly, we classify as DC or RF gun
- Next slide displays details of functioning of Thermionic Gun



# DC Thermionic Gun

- Emission is thermionic and hence continuous
- Extraction is by DC field
- A Grid can be used to control the emission



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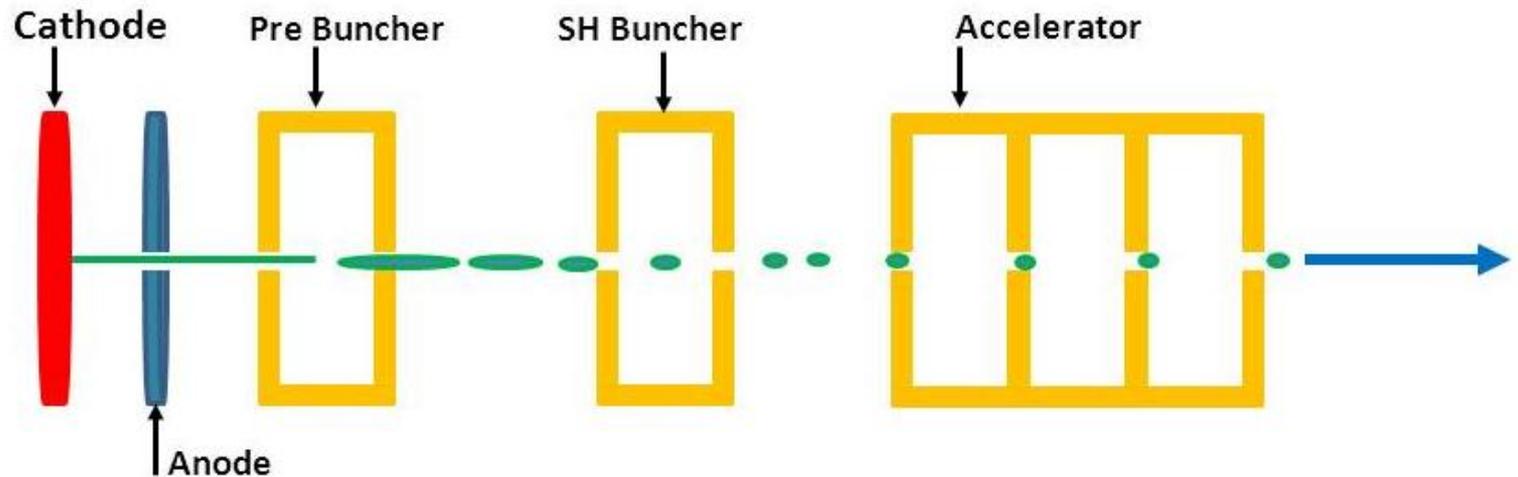
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# Configuration of thermionic gun

- Since the emission from thermionic gun is continuous, we need to bunch the electrons using buncher cavities
- A typical configuration for thermionic gun looks like:



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# SAMEER Triode Gun

As an example...SAMEER triode gun is shown below

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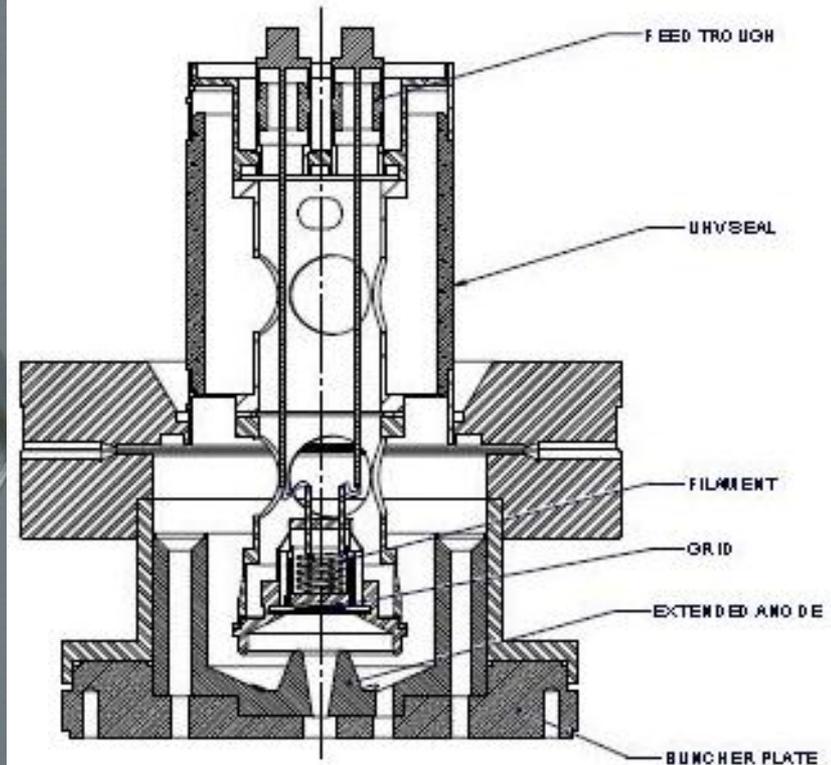
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SECTION VIEW  
SCALE 1:1

# Cathodes

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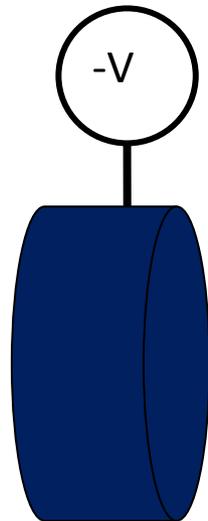
Material	$\phi$ (ev)	$T_e$ (K)
W	4.5	2860
Ta	4.1	2680
Mo	4.2	2230
Cs	1.9	320
Th-W	2.6	1800
BaO	1.0	1400
CeB <sub>6</sub>	2.5	1720
LaB <sub>6</sub>	2.5	1400
Dispenser	1.6	1100

Should  
be low

Higher  
is good

# Photo cathode gun

- Uses the principle of Photo emission
- A laser of suitable wavelength hits a photo cathode and generates electron bunch
- The electrons are extracted using
  - DC potential: in case of DC photo cathode gun
  - High gradient RF field: in case of RF photo cathode gun



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# RF Photo cathode gun

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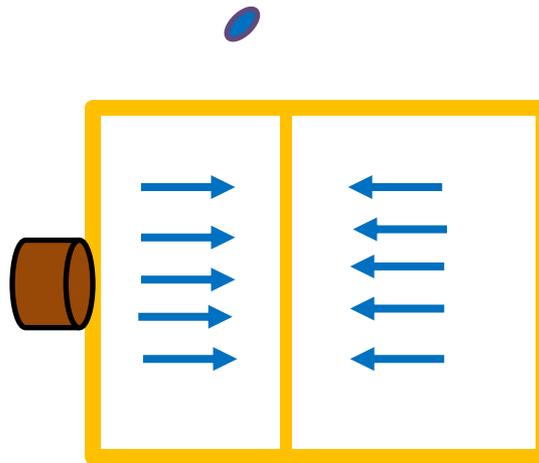
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- A photo cathode is placed at the entrance of RF cavity.
- The laser hits the photo cathode and generates electron bunch, which is quickly accelerated using high gradient fields near the cathode.
- Such a electron bunch has very high space charge and the beam diverges quickly
- If high gradient, of say 120 MV/m is made at cathode, then bunch accelerates very fast and exits from RF gun at around 6 MeV energy with low emittance of around  $2\pi$ -mm-mrad



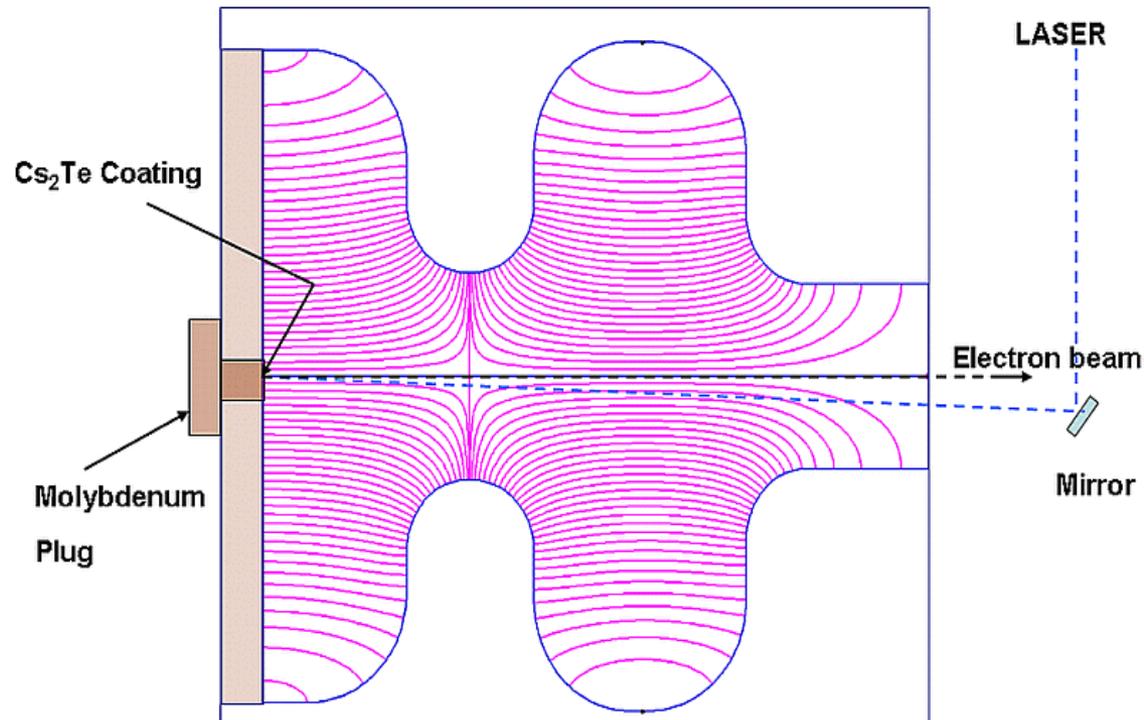
# Comparison between Thermionic and RF Gun

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	Thermionic Gun	RF Gun
Type of emission	DC	Pulse
Current	High average current possible	High peak current possible
Post Buncher	Mandatory	Not needed
Output energy	few tens of KeV	MeV
Emittance per nC	$\sim 10^{-12}$ $\pi$ -mm-mrad	$<2$ $\pi$ -mm-mrad
Main usage	High current industrial, medical	Research accelerators

# Operation of RF Photo cathode gun

- The **electron bunch charge** depends on the laser power and the quantum efficiency of the photo cathode material.
- The **bunch length** depends on the temporal laser profile.



RF Gun Cavity

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# RF Gun Details

## Electron Source

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## Details of RF Gun

## Cavity for RF Gun

## KEK RF Gun

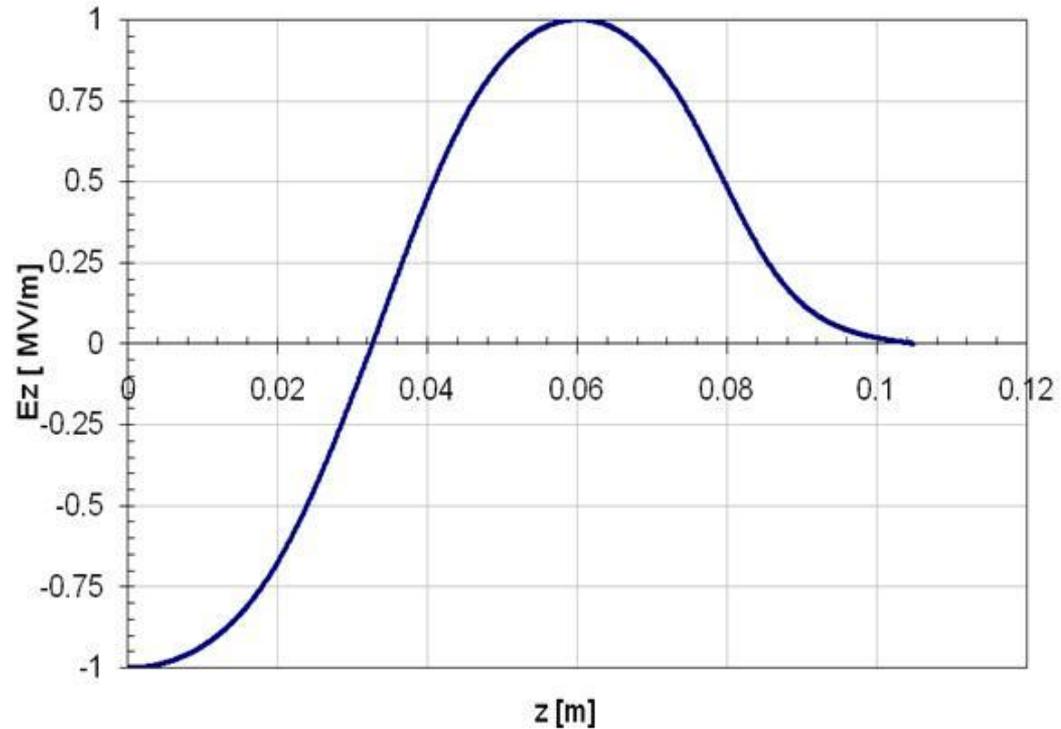
## Results of KEK Gun

## Plan for IUAC Gun

- The RF gun usually operates at  $\pi$ -mode.
- An incident laser pulse hits the photo cathode to produce an electron bunch.
- If a 266 nm laser shines the surface of say Cs2Te photo cathode, electrons with  $\sim 4.66$  eV energy are produced.
- Lets say, we get 1 nC charge with a bunch length of 5 ps and  $\sigma_x$  and  $\sigma_y$  is nearly 300  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- Due to space charge forces, the emittance of bunch degrades immediately as it enters inside the first cell.
- The emittance is controlled by maintaining a very high gradient at the cathode plate. At KEK, we maintained 120 MV/m gradient at cathode.

# RF Gun Details

LUCX RF gun operating at  $\pi$ -mode.



Field distribution at  $\pi$ -mode

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# Brief summary of parameters of KEK RF Gun

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<b>Operating Frequency</b>	2856	MHz
<b>Mode of Operation</b>	$\pi$	
<b>Mode Separation</b>	8.6	MHz
<b>Field Balance</b>	1.0	
<b>Iris Diameter</b>	28	mm

Ref: Abhay Deshpande, Junji Urakawa et al. NIM-A 600 (2009) 361-366

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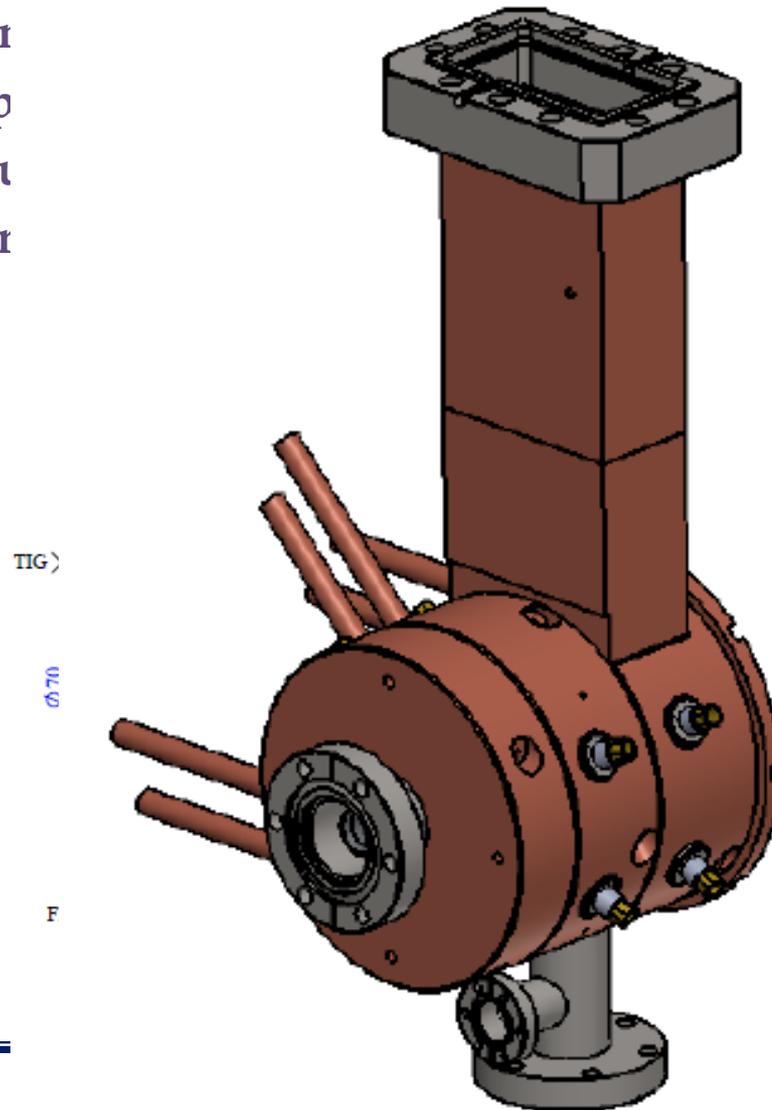
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# Rough Machining

**Electron  
Source**

**RF Gun  
Basics**

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# Fabrication at various stages

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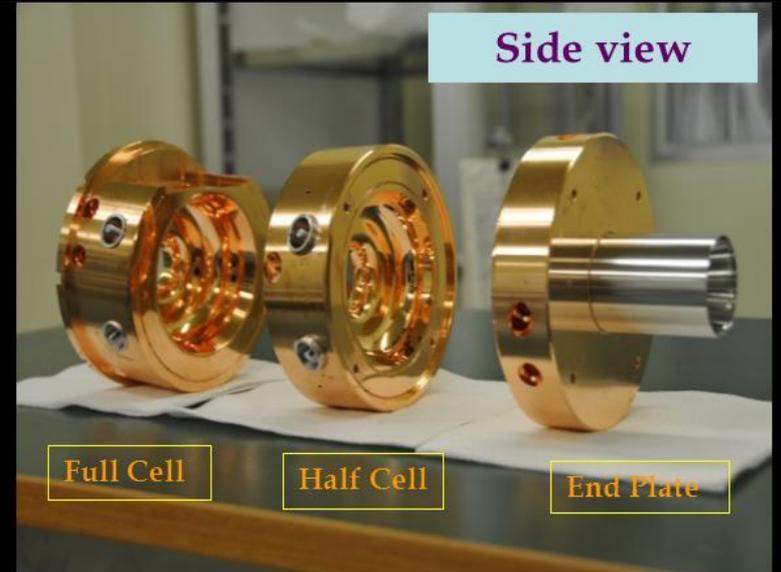
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Gun at various stage



Side view



Full Cell

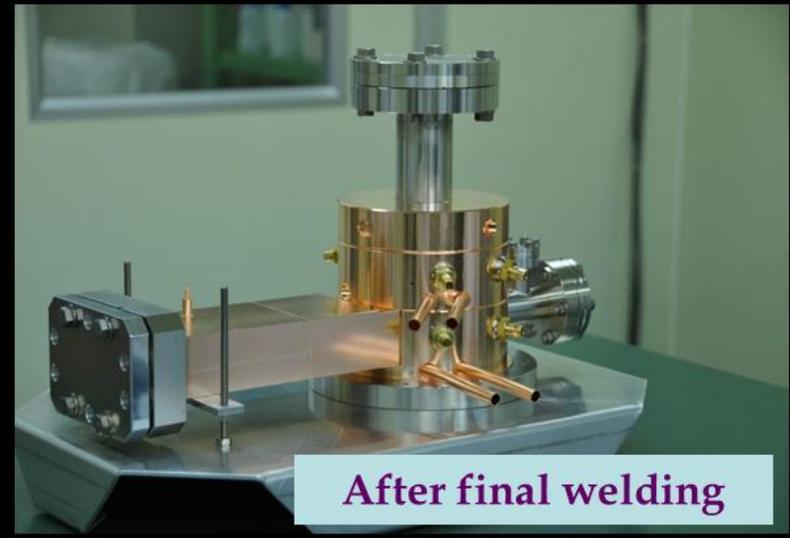
Half Cell

End Plate

After 1<sup>st</sup> Brazing

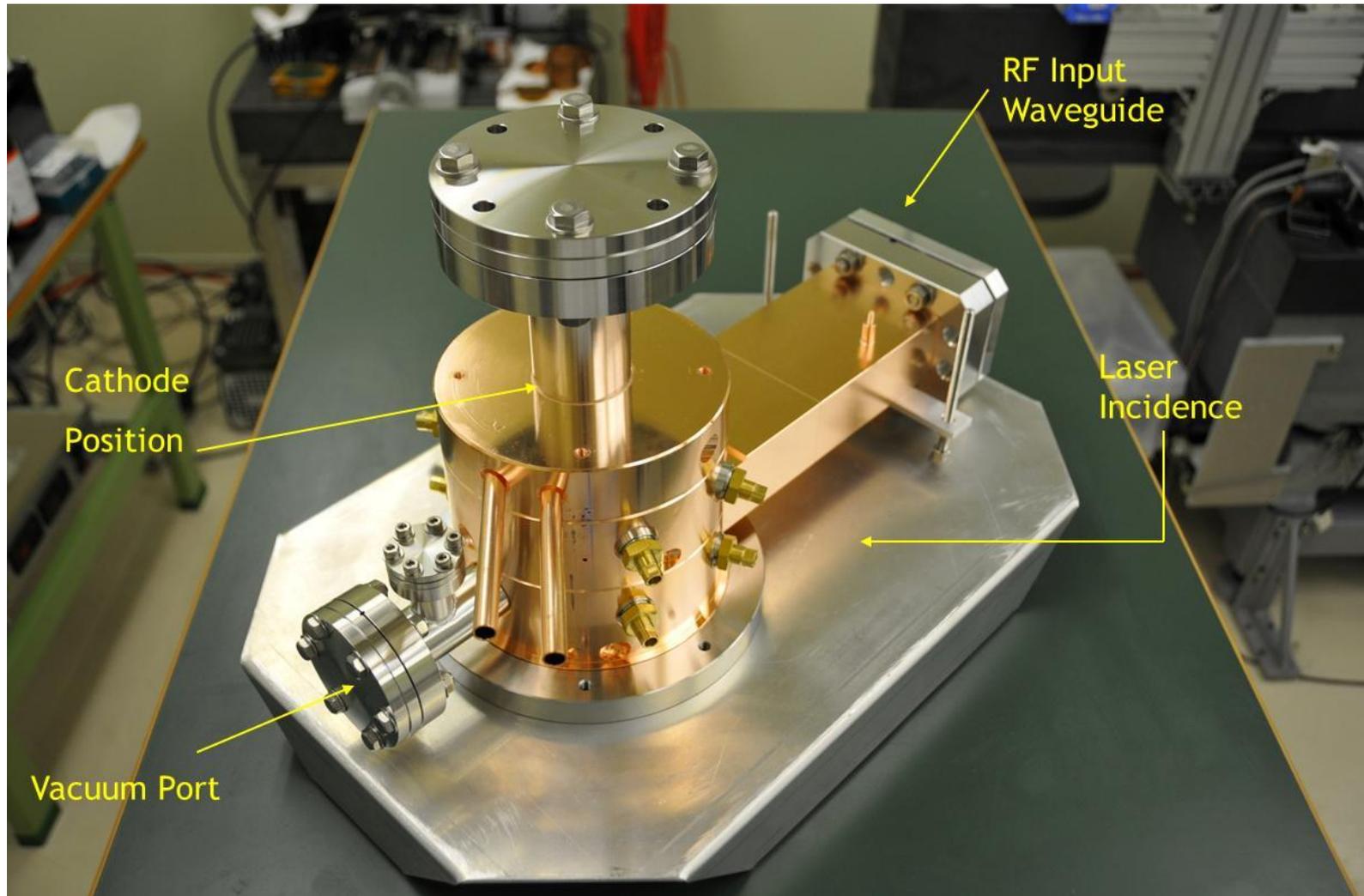


After final welding



# Complete RF Gun

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# Fabrication history

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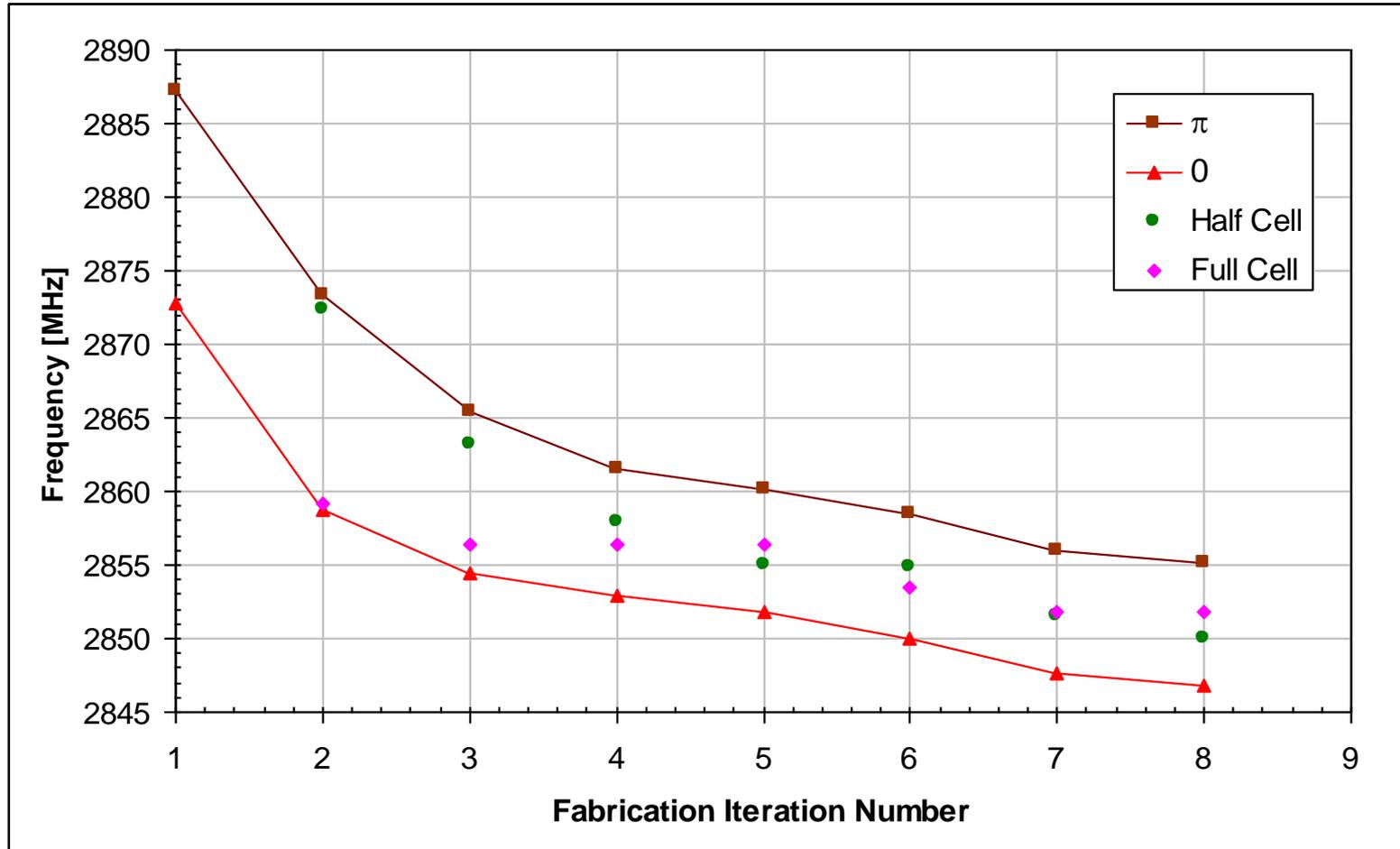
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# Mode Frequency Measurements

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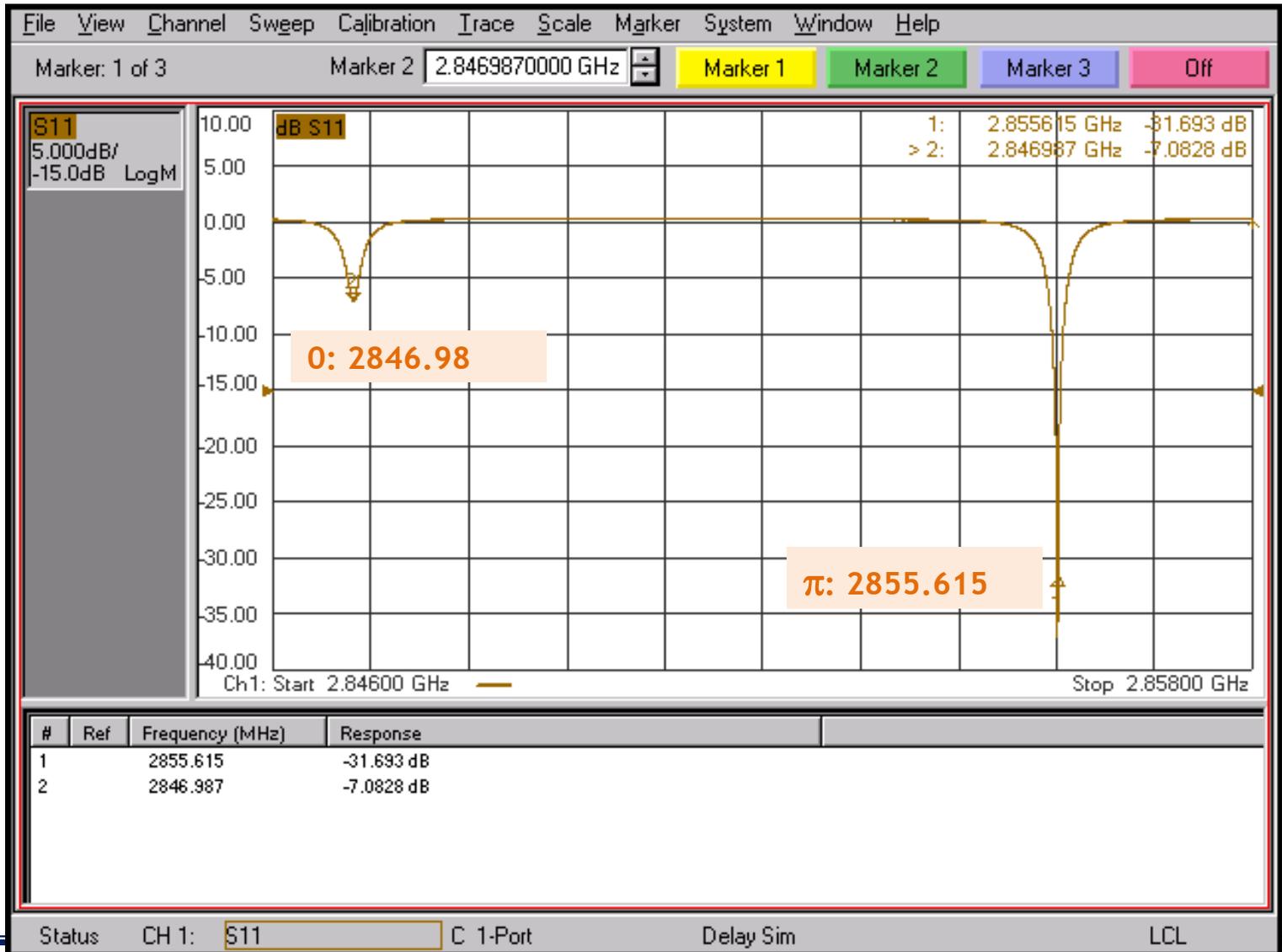
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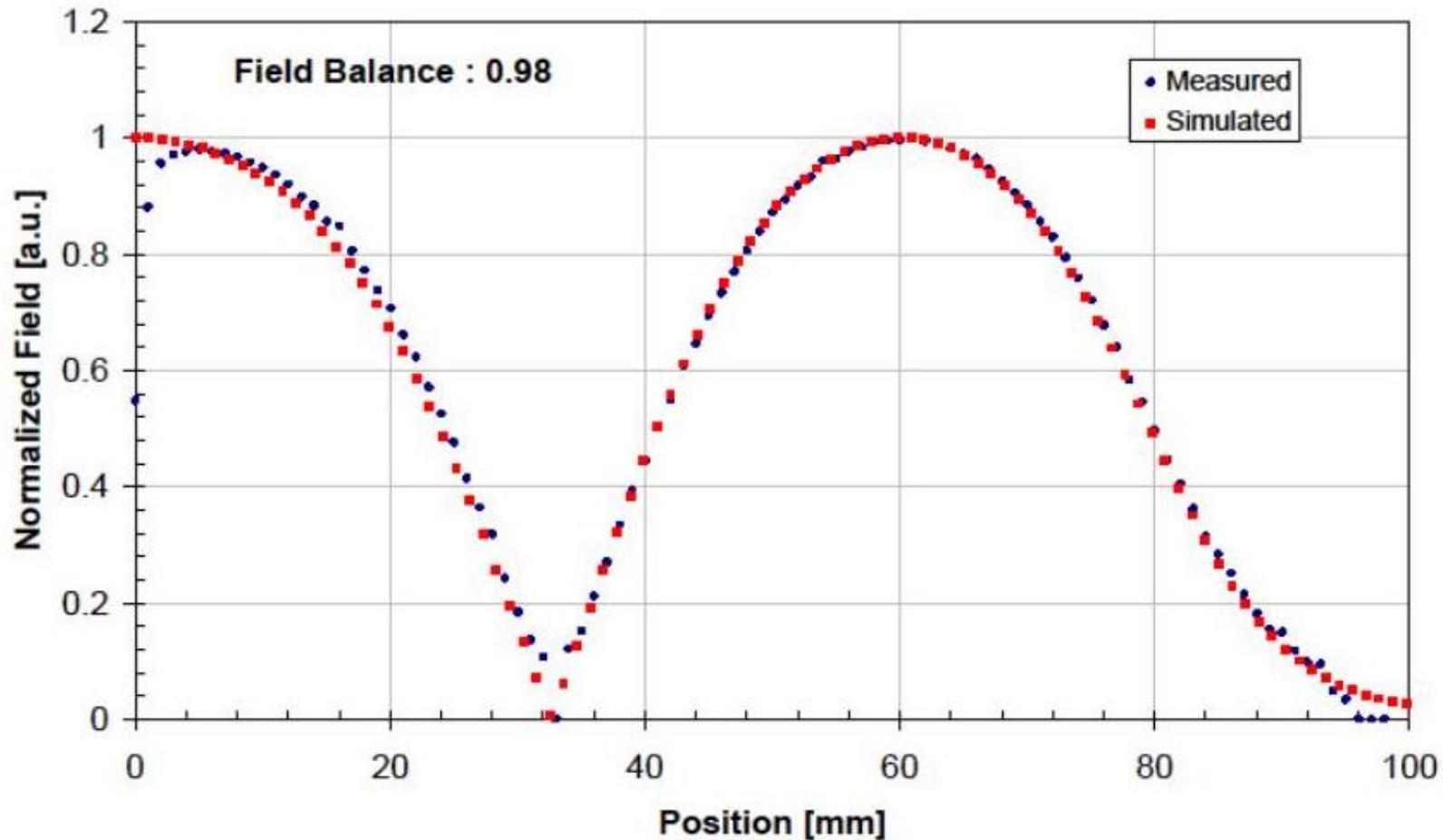
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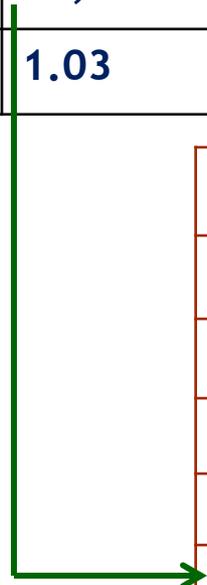
# Field Measurements



# Low Power Measurements

<b>Electron Source</b>		<b>Simulated</b>	<b>Measured</b>
<b>RF Gun Basics</b>	<b>Frequency MHz</b>	2855.64	2855.61
<b>Details of RF Gun</b>	<b>Mode Separation MHz</b>	8.67	8.63
<b>Cavity for RF Gun</b>	<b>Field Balance</b>	1.0	0.98
<b>KEK RF Gun</b>	<b>Q</b>	18000	14,700
<b>Results of KEK Gun</b>	<b>Coupling <math>\beta</math></b>	1.0	1.03
<b>Plan for IUAC Gun</b>			

<b>RF Gun</b>	<b>Q</b>
<b>BNL (original)</b>	7900
<b>LUCX (Old)</b>	7900
<b>ATF ( modified)</b>	12600
<b>BNL (modified)</b>	12780
<b>LUCX (modified)</b>	14,700
<b>LCLS (modified)</b>	13,900



# RF Processing

**Electron Source**

**RF Gun Basics**

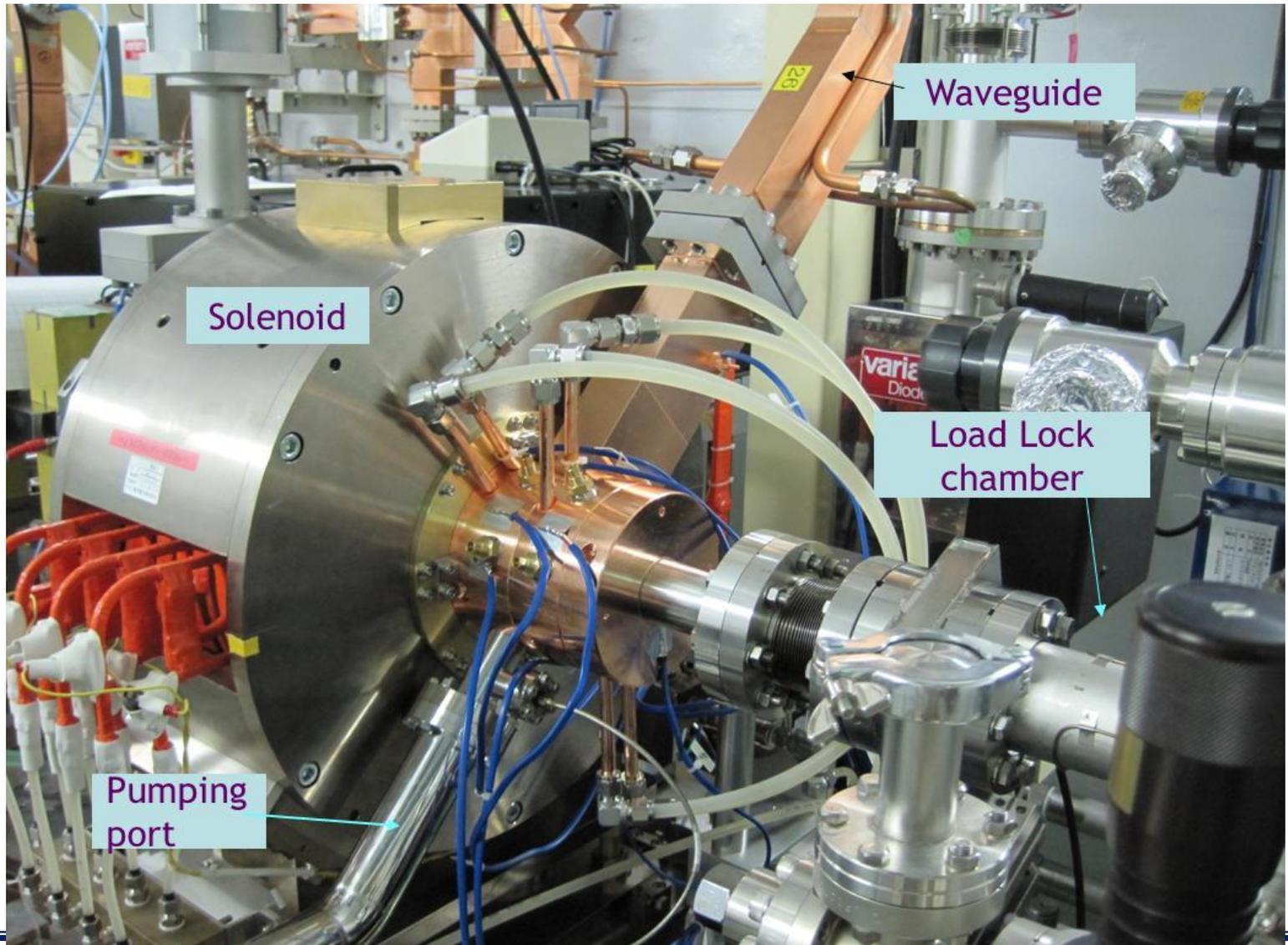
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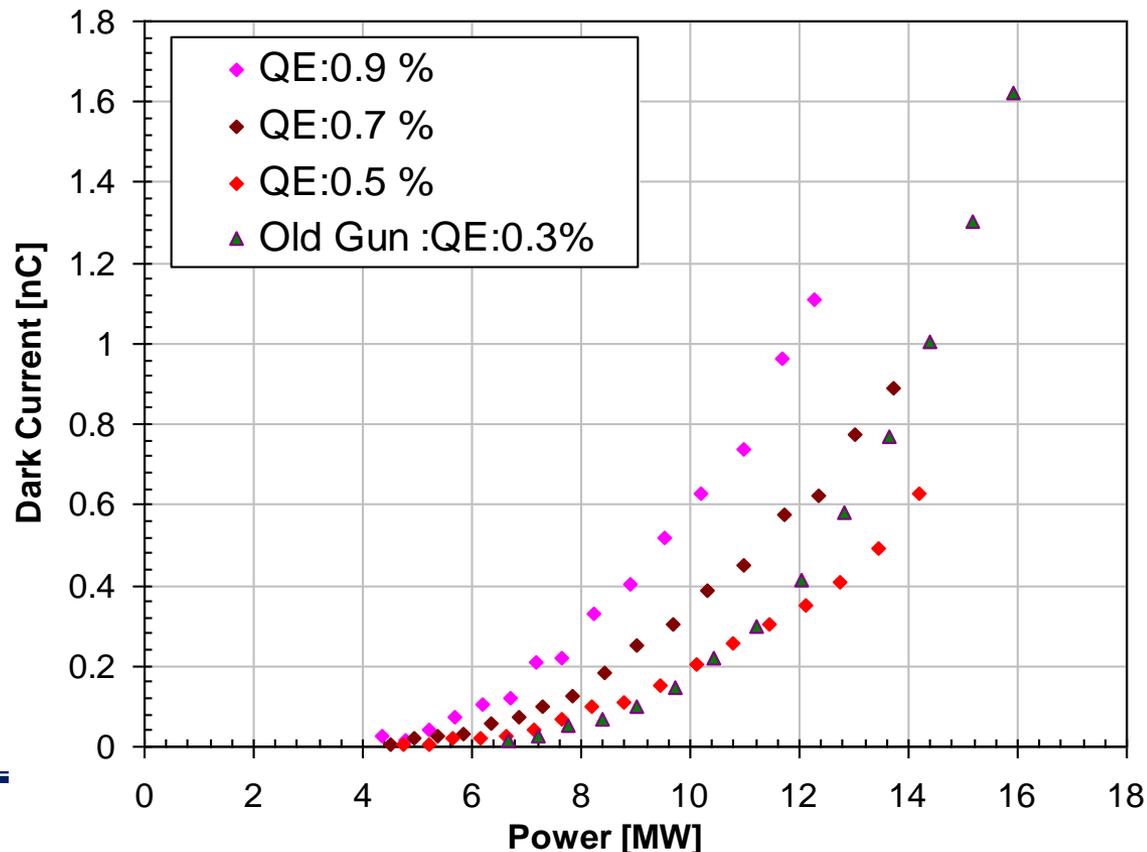
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# RF Processing

- The RF processing was carried out for 150 hrs at a pulse width of  $2 \mu\text{s}$  and power of about 10 MW.
- Next, we coated the cathode with Cesium-Telluride ( $\text{Cs}_2\text{Te}$ ) and conditioned the gun by operation for another 100 hrs.
- At 30 days after the coating, the quantum efficiency was found to be around 0.5% and the dark currents were substantially low.



# Components for RF gun: Photocathode

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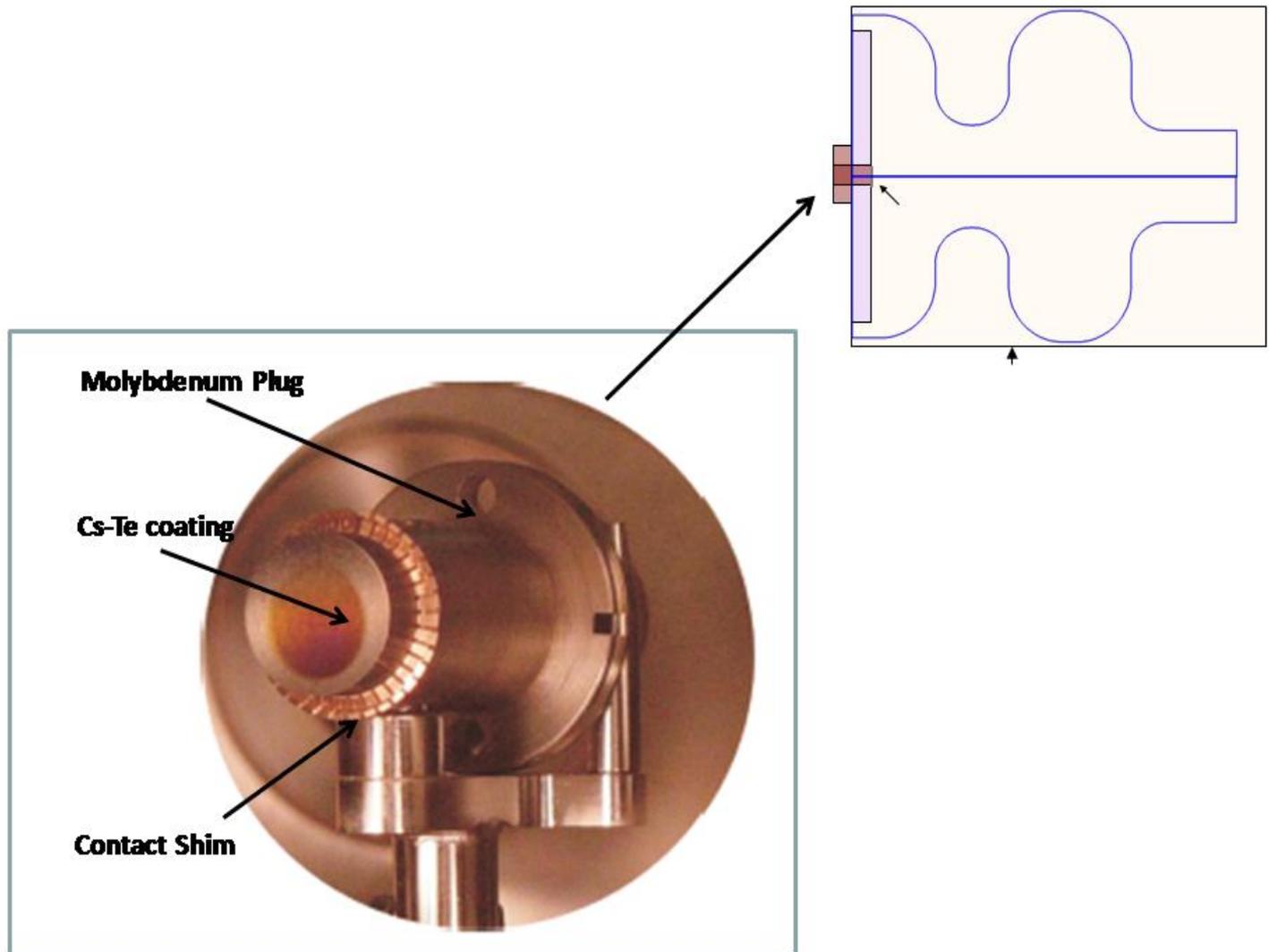
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# Choice of Photocathode

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Thermionic	Temperature (K) $k_B T$ (eV)	Radius (mm)	Current Density (A/cm <sup>2</sup> )	Work Function (eV)	Thermal Emittance/beam size (μ/mm (rms))
CeB <sub>6</sub>	1723 0.1486	1.5	42	2.3	0.539

Metal	$\lambda$ (nm) E (eV)	QE	Vacuum (torr)	Work Function (eV)	Thermal Emittance/beam size (μ/mm (rms))	
					Calculated	Measured
Copper	250, 4.96	$1.4 \times 10^{-4}$	$10^{-9}$	4.6	0.5	$1.0 \pm 0.1$
Mg	266, 4.66	$6.4 \times 10^{-4}$	$10^{-10}$	3.6	0.8	$0.4 \pm 0.1$
Cs <sub>2</sub> Te	211, 5.88	~ 0.1	$10^{-9}$	3.5	1.2	$0.5 \pm 0.1$
	264, 4.7				0.9	$0.7 \pm 0.1$
	262, 4.73				0.9	$1.2 \pm 0.1$
GaAs	532, 2.33	~ 0.1	?	1.4±0.1	0.8	0.44±0.01

# Old LUCX

**Electron  
Source**

**RF Gun  
Basics**

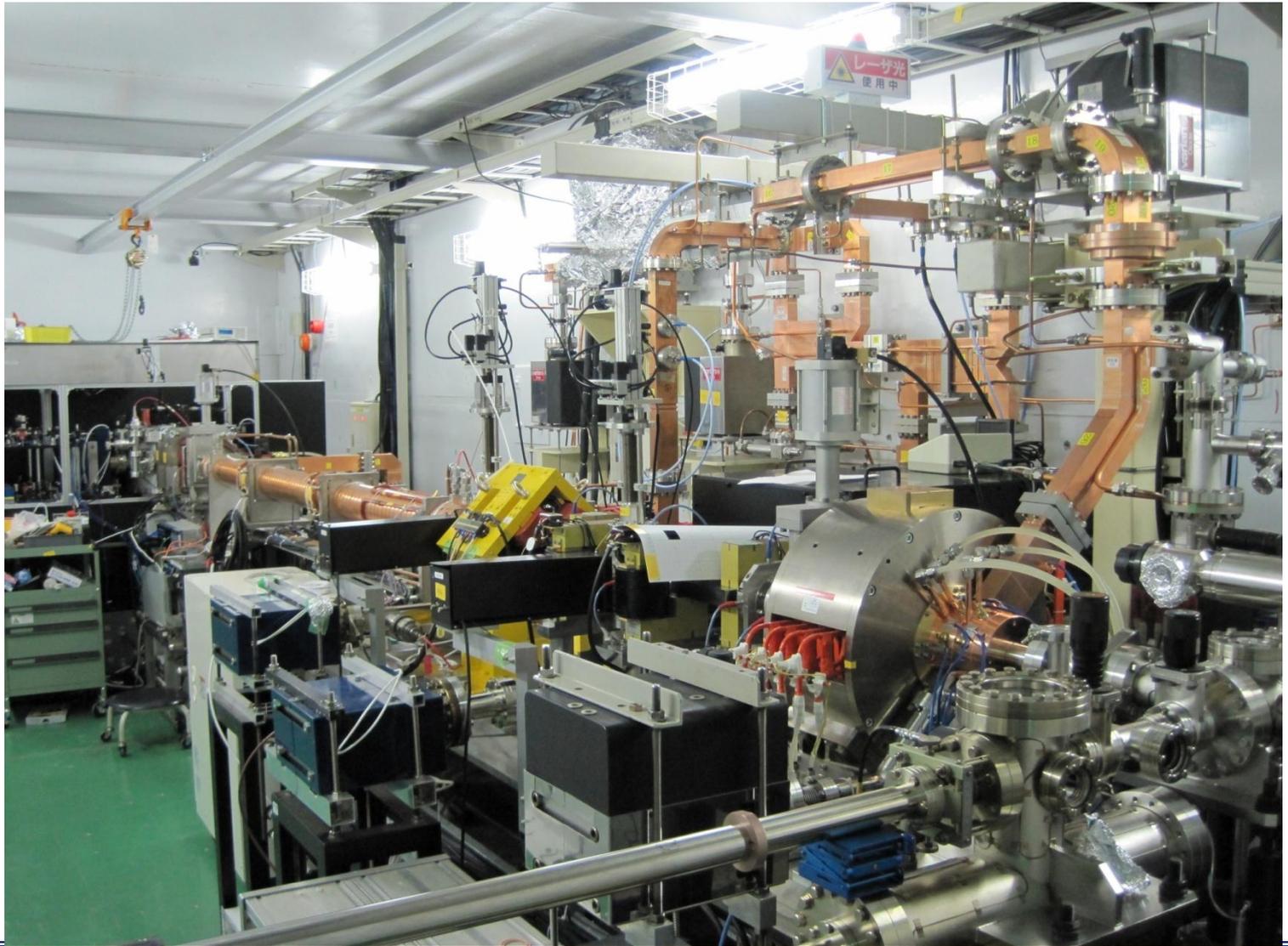
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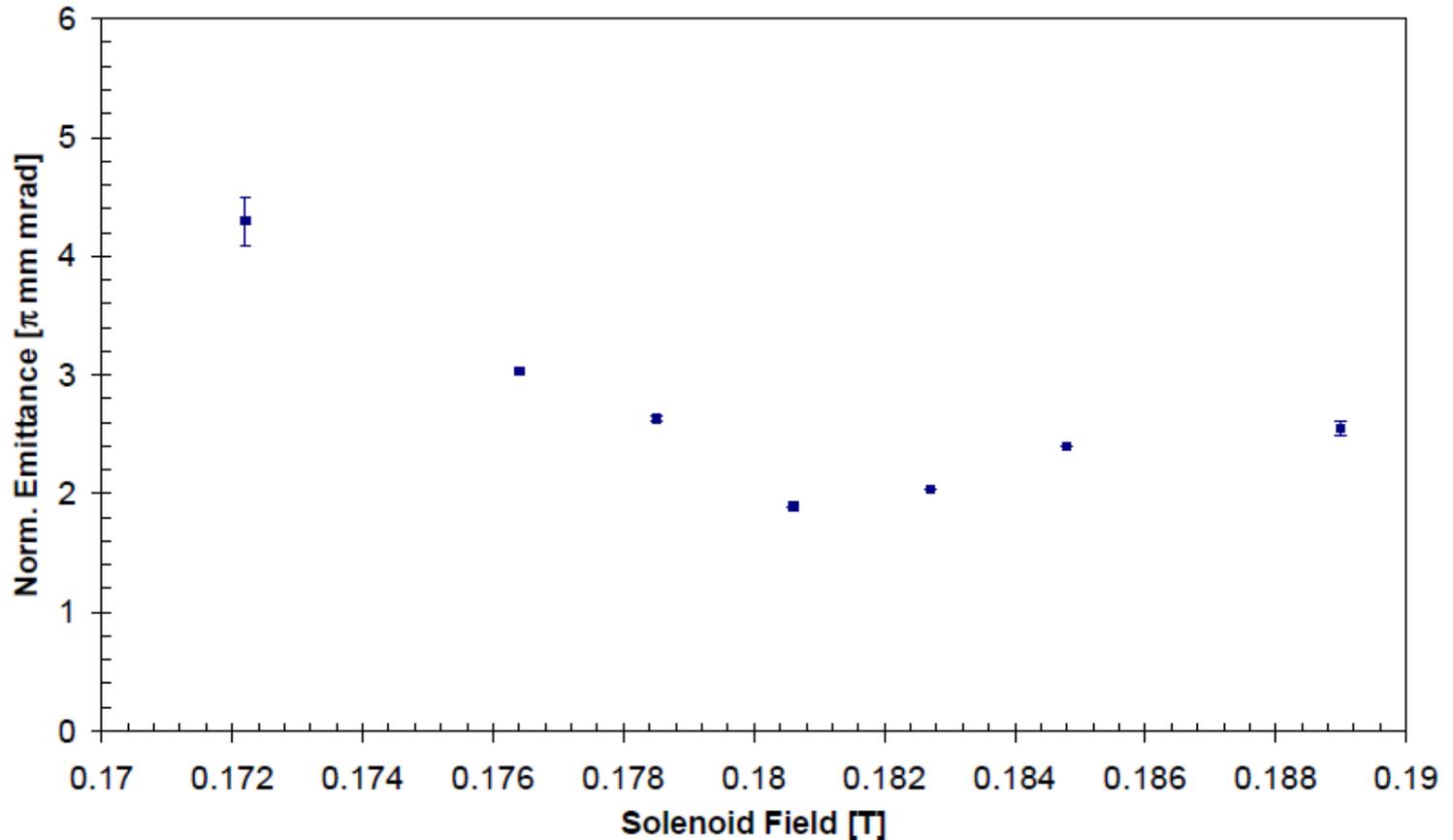


# LUCX parameters

<b>Electron Source</b>	<b>Energy</b>	50 5	MeV ( High ) MeV ( Low)
<b>RF Gun Basics</b>	<b>Bunch Charge</b>	0.5	nC (charge is variable)
<b>Details of RF Gun</b>	<b>Bunch Length</b>	5.5	ps (rms)
<b>Cavity for RF Gun</b>	<b>Bunch spacing</b>	2.8	ns
<b>KEK RF Gun</b>	<b>Number of bunches</b>	100 ( High Energy) 300 ( Low Energy)	
<b>Results of KEK Gun</b>	<b>Normalized emittance</b>	1.89± 0.1	π-mm-mrad (vertical)
<b>Plan for IUAC Gun</b>	<b>Minimum beam size</b>	50	μm (vertical)

# Emittance measurement

- Charge : 1nC; Two bunch mode
- Normalized emittance is  $1.89 \pm 0.10 \pi\text{-mm-mrad}$



Electron  
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RF Gun  
Basics

Details of  
RF Gun

Cavity for  
RF Gun

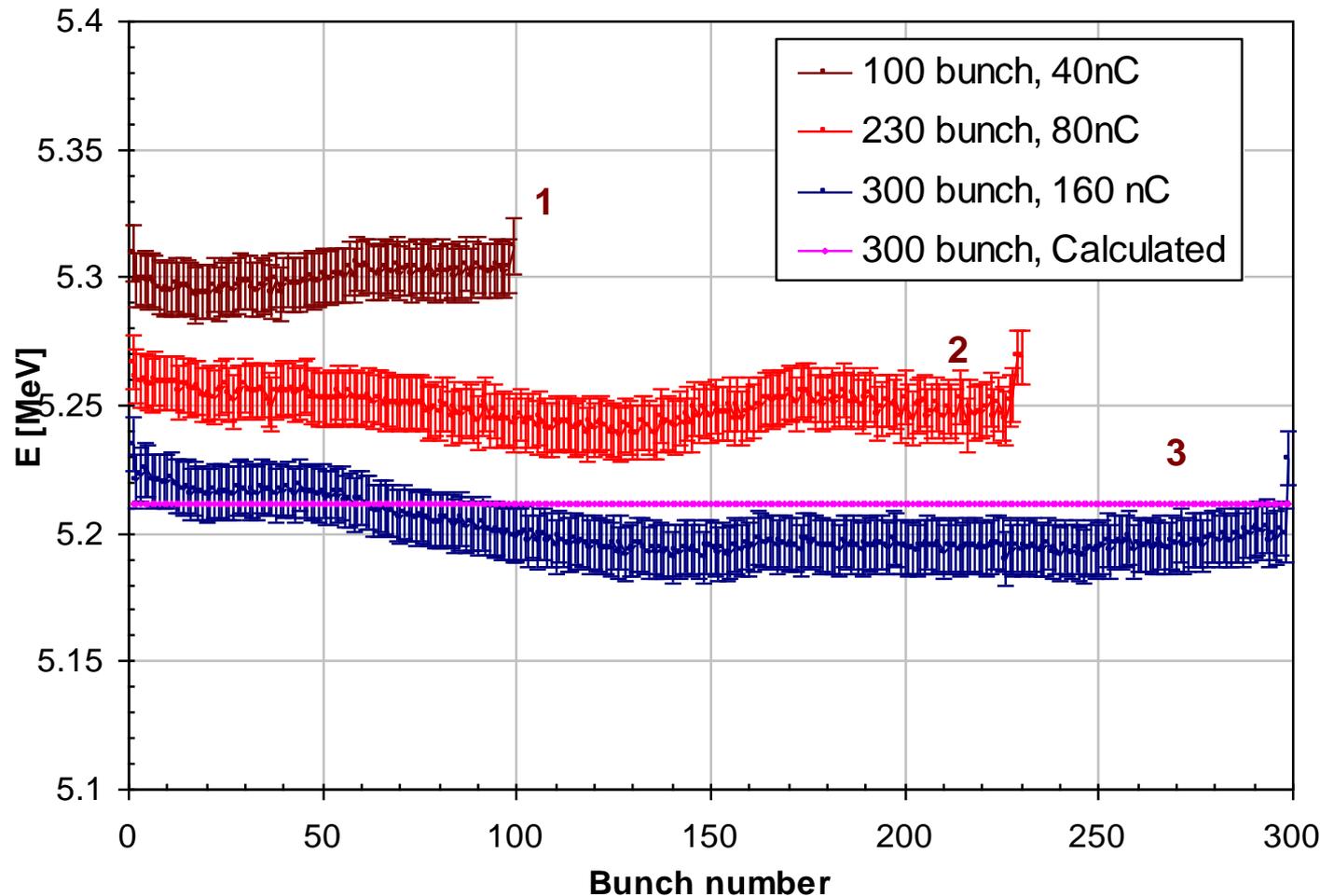
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# Multi Bunch Beam

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# Multi Bunch Beam

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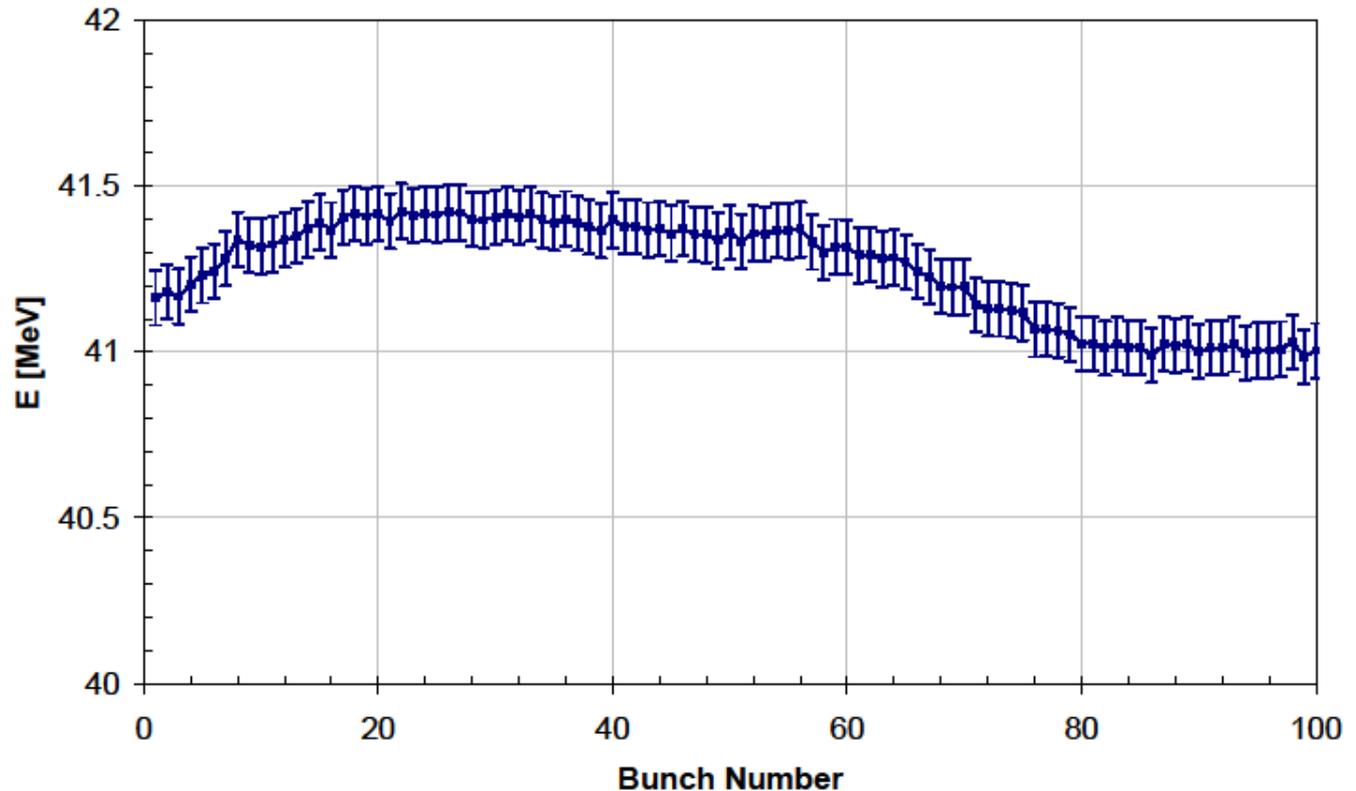
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Power [MW]	Charge [nC]	% Energy Difference
39.2	40	0.7
40.6	42	1.4
42.1	42.5	0.9

# Multi Bunch Beam

Electron Source

RF Gun Basics

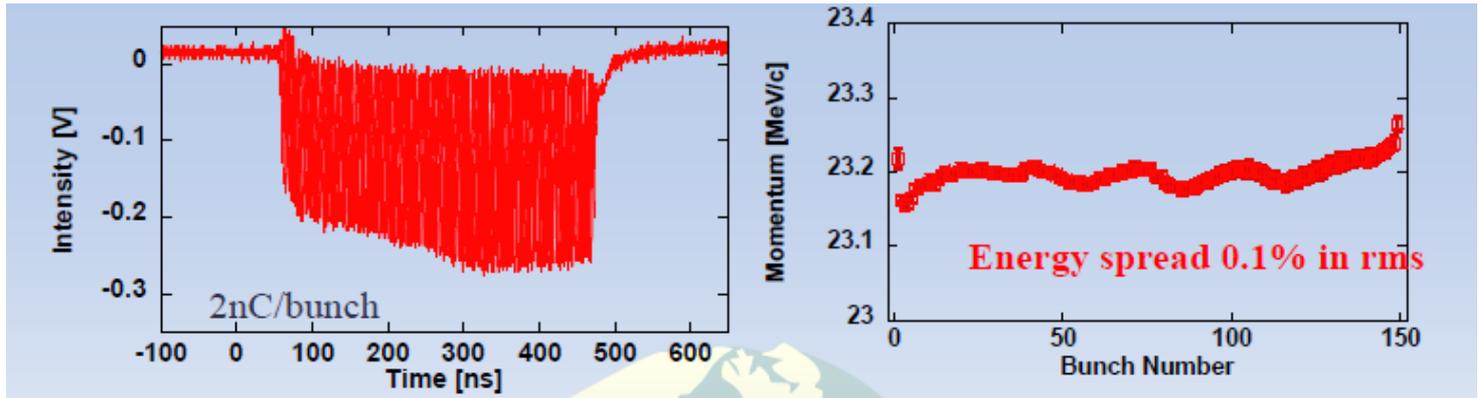
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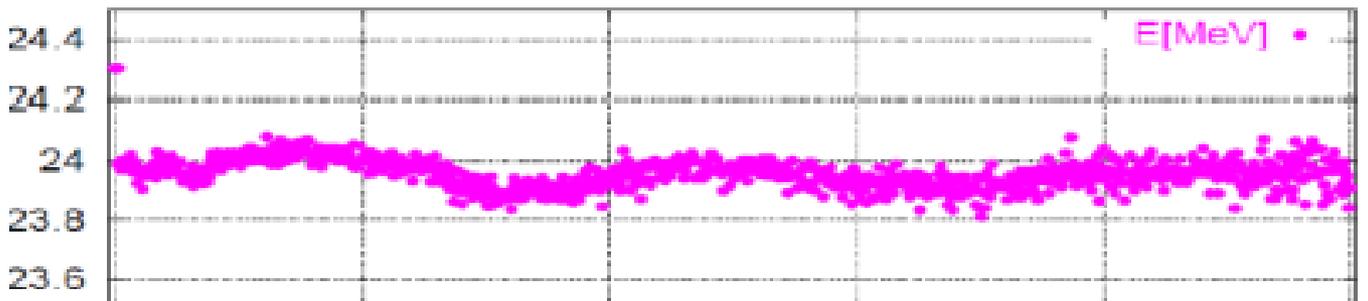
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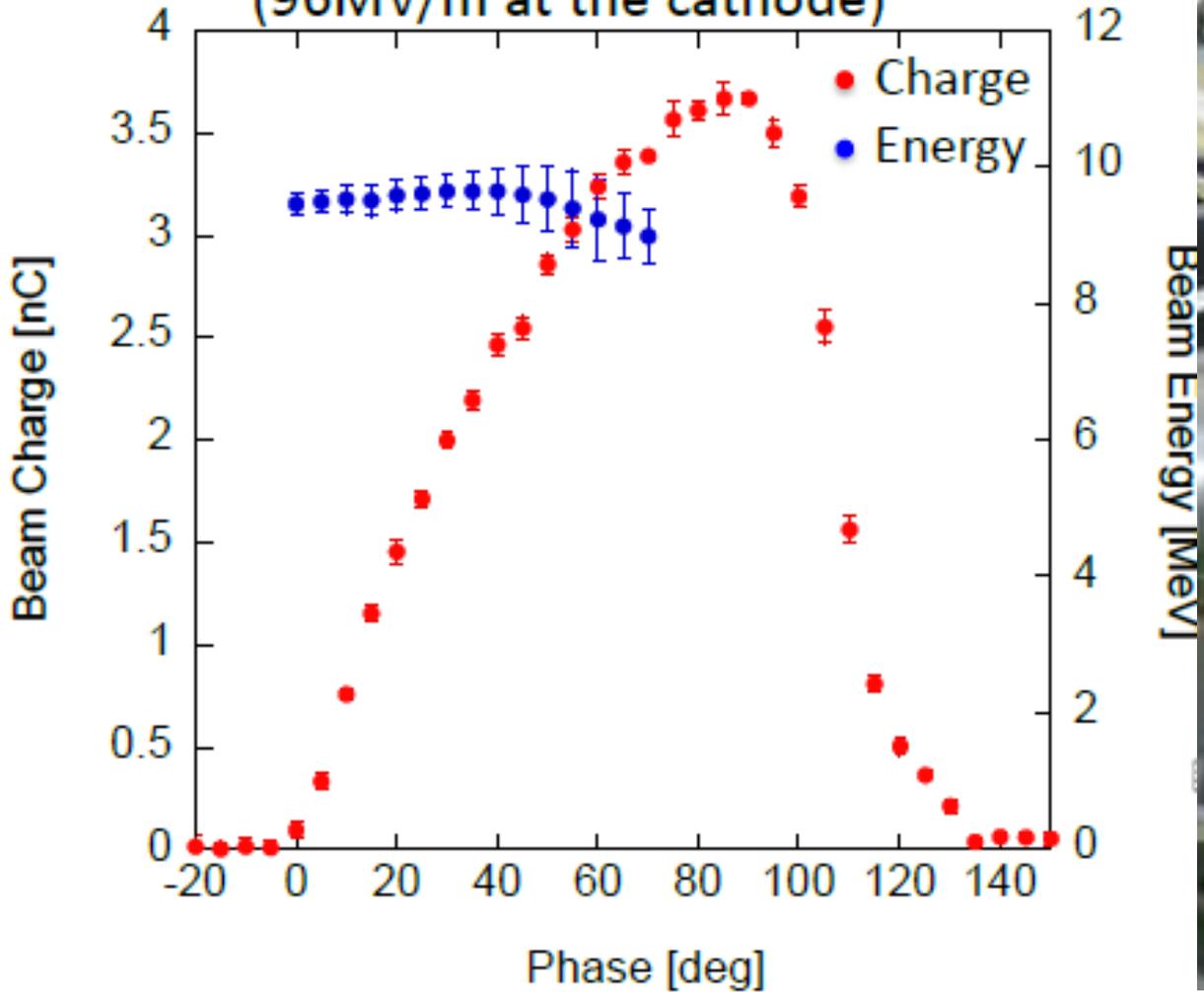
Number of bunches	Charge [nC]	Energy [MeV]
150	300	23



Number of bunches	Charge [ $\mu$ C]	Energy [MeV]
1000	0.5	24

# 2.5 cell DE gun

Input RF Power : 21MW  
(96MV/m at the cathode)



Electron Source

RF Gun Basics

Details of RF Gun

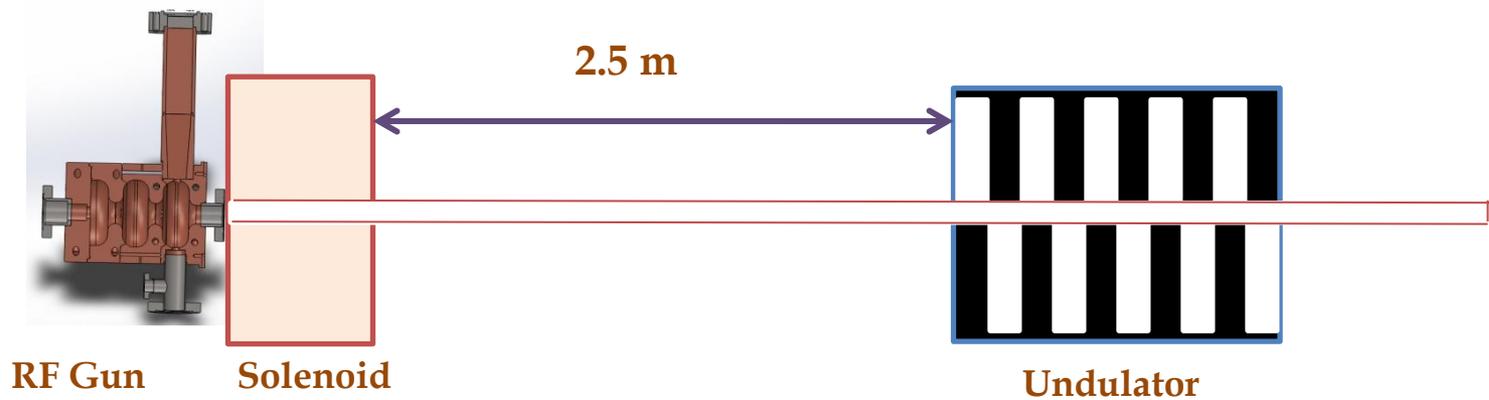
Cavity for RF Gun

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# Plan for IUAC- Phase 1

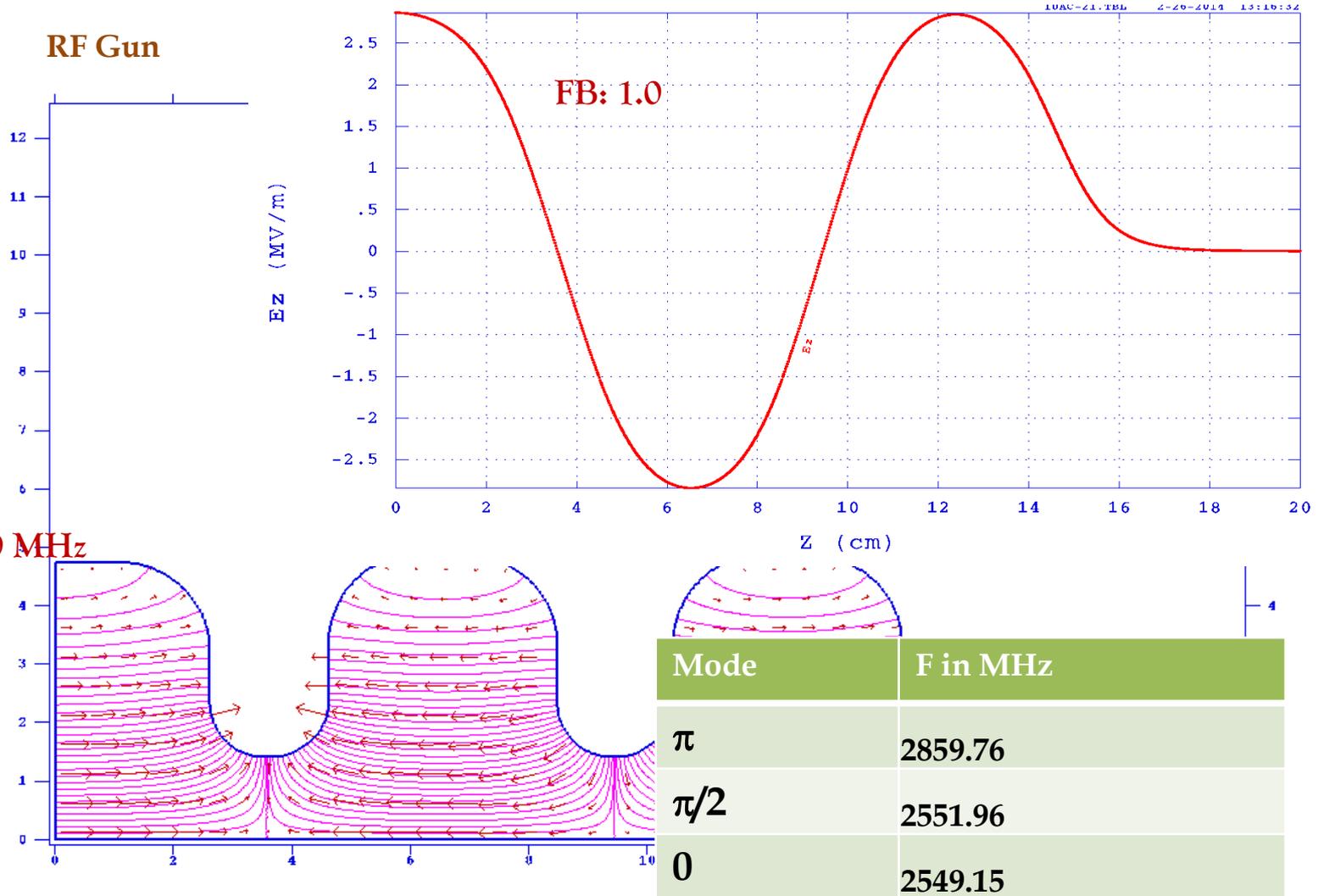


Parameter	Value	Unit
Frequency	2860	MHz
Bunch Charge	50	pC / pulse
No. of micro bunches	4 -16	
Energy	8	MeV

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# IUAC RF Gun

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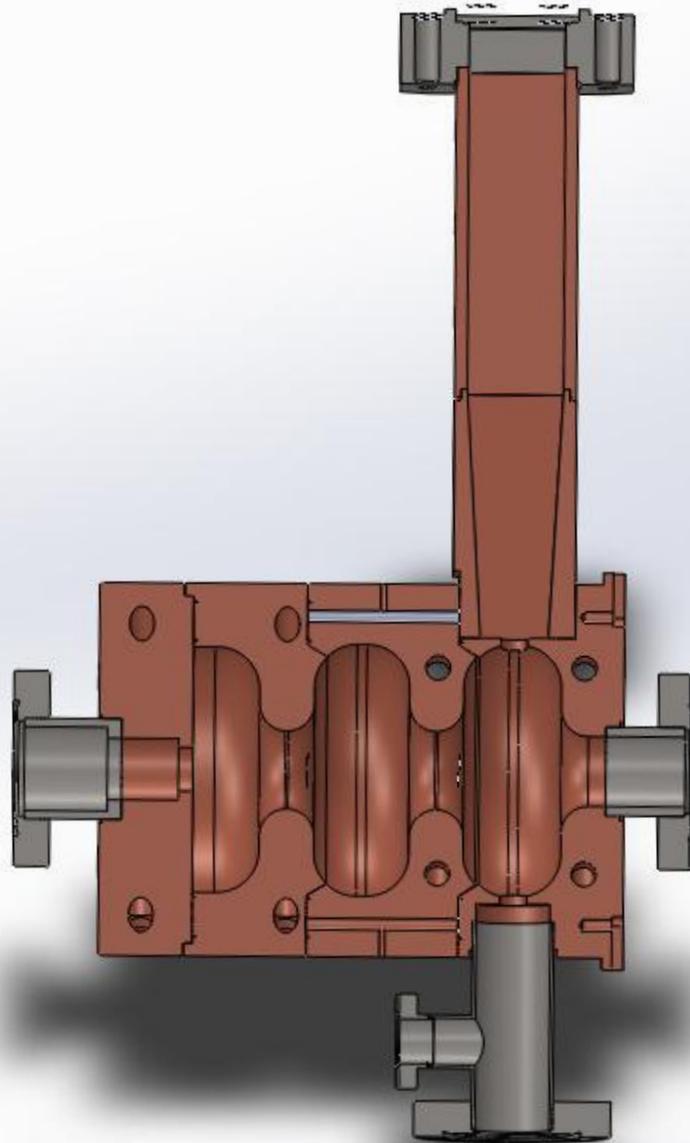
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# Beam simulations: Single Bunch

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RF Gun

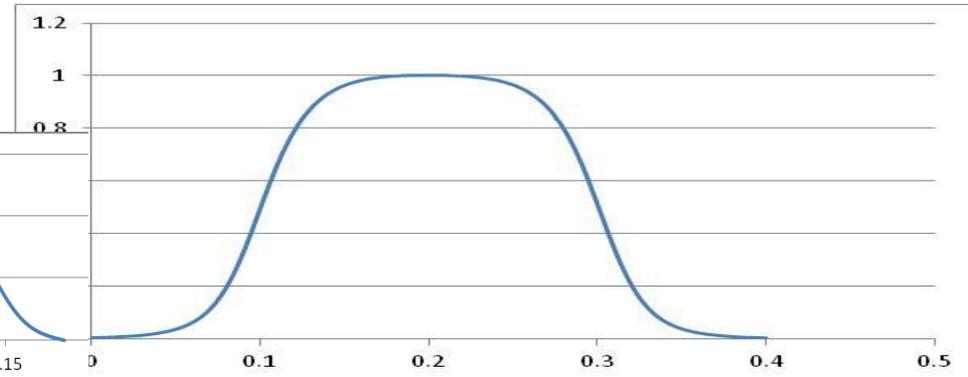
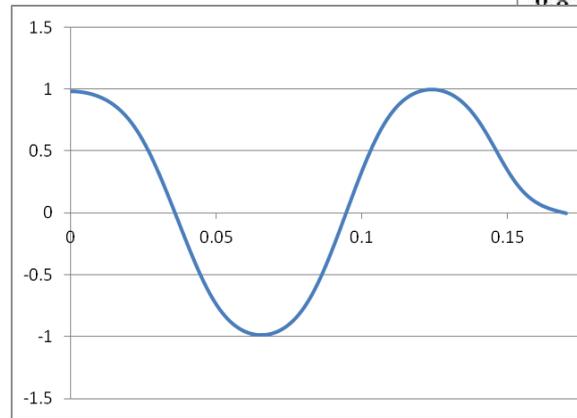
Cavity for  
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KEK RF  
Gun

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Normalized  $\pi$ -mode field in RF gun



Normalized Solenoid field in RF gun

## Transverse Size

- $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 0.3$  mm (Radial Profile)
- Radius is  $2\sigma_x = 0.6$  mm
- FWHM =  $\sqrt{3} * r = 1.039$  mm

## Longitudinal Size

$$\sigma_z = 50 \text{ fs} = 14.99 \text{e-6m} = 15 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$$

# Laser profile at Cathode

Electron Source

RF Gun Basics

Details of RF Gun

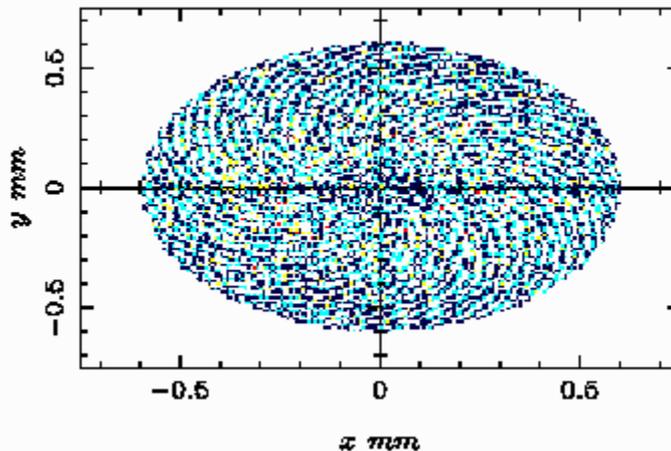
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KEK RF Gun

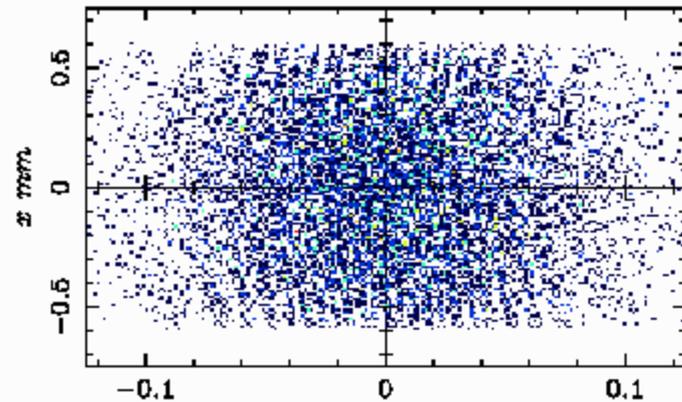
Results of KEK Gun

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Input		
Initial Energy	4.6	eV
Transverse Beam size (rms)	0.3	mm
Bunch length (rms)	50	fs
Charge	50	pC
Axial Field	120	MV/m
Solenoid Field	0.275	T



Transverse



emission time ps  
Longitudinal

# Beam size variation using ASTRA

Electron Source

RF Gun Basics

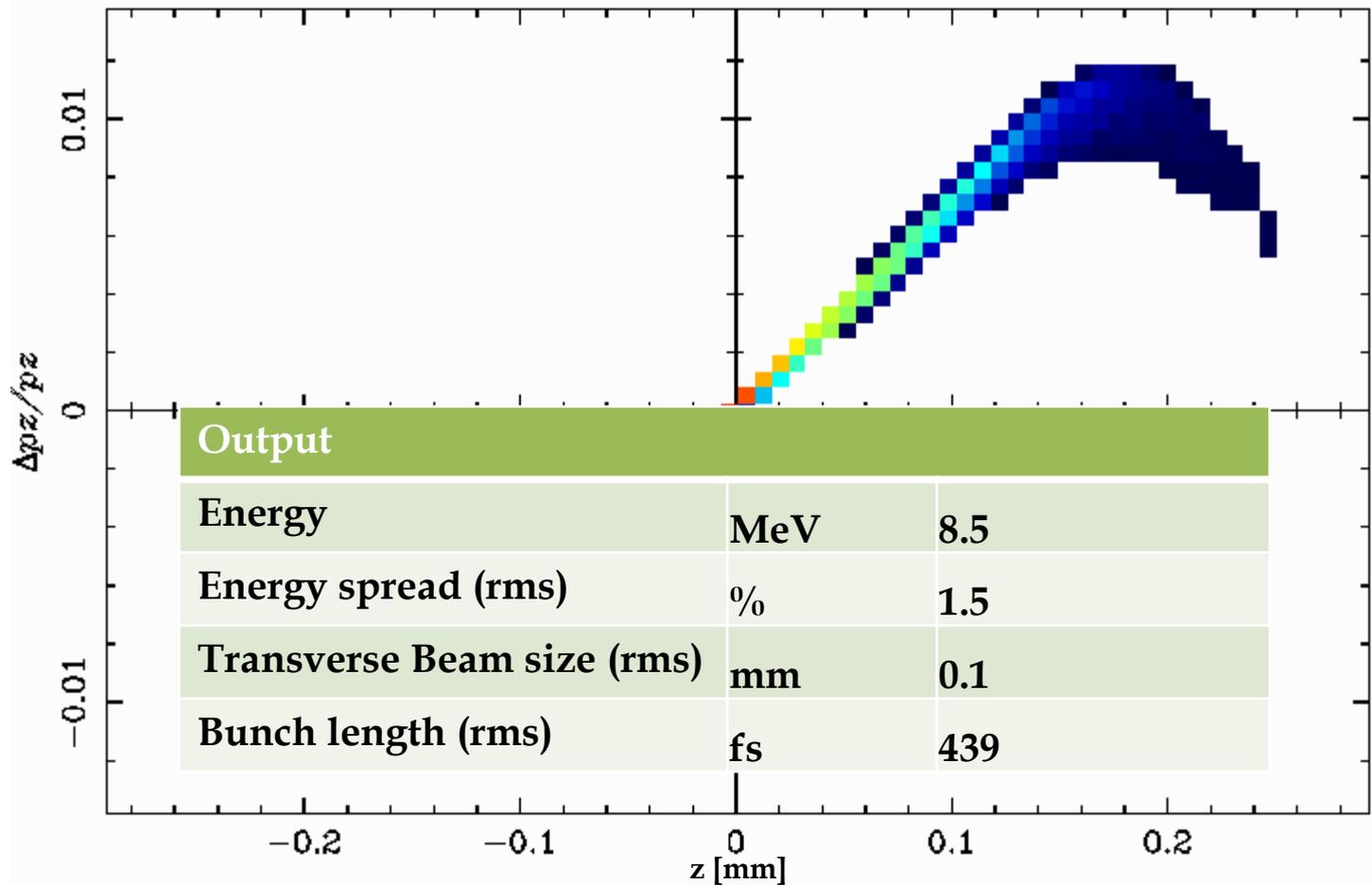
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# Laser profile: Two bunch mode

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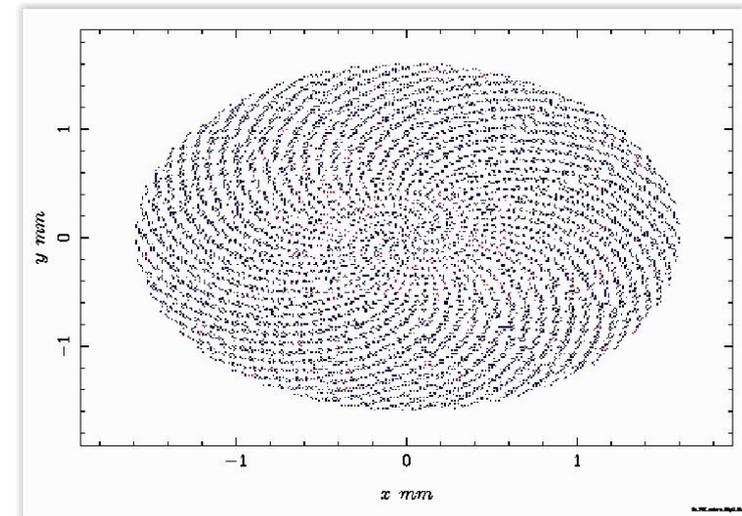
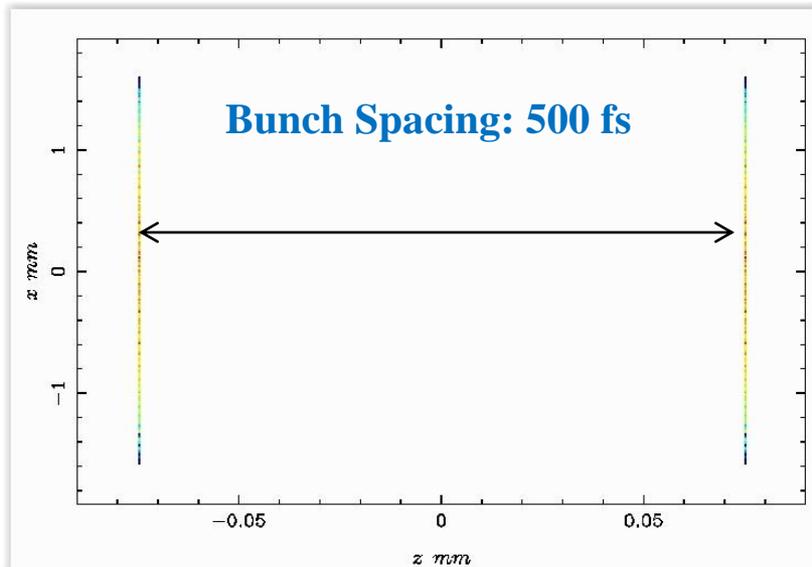
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Input		
Initial Energy	4.6	eV
Transverse Beam size (rms)	0.8	mm
Bunch length (rms)	50	fs
Charge	25	pC

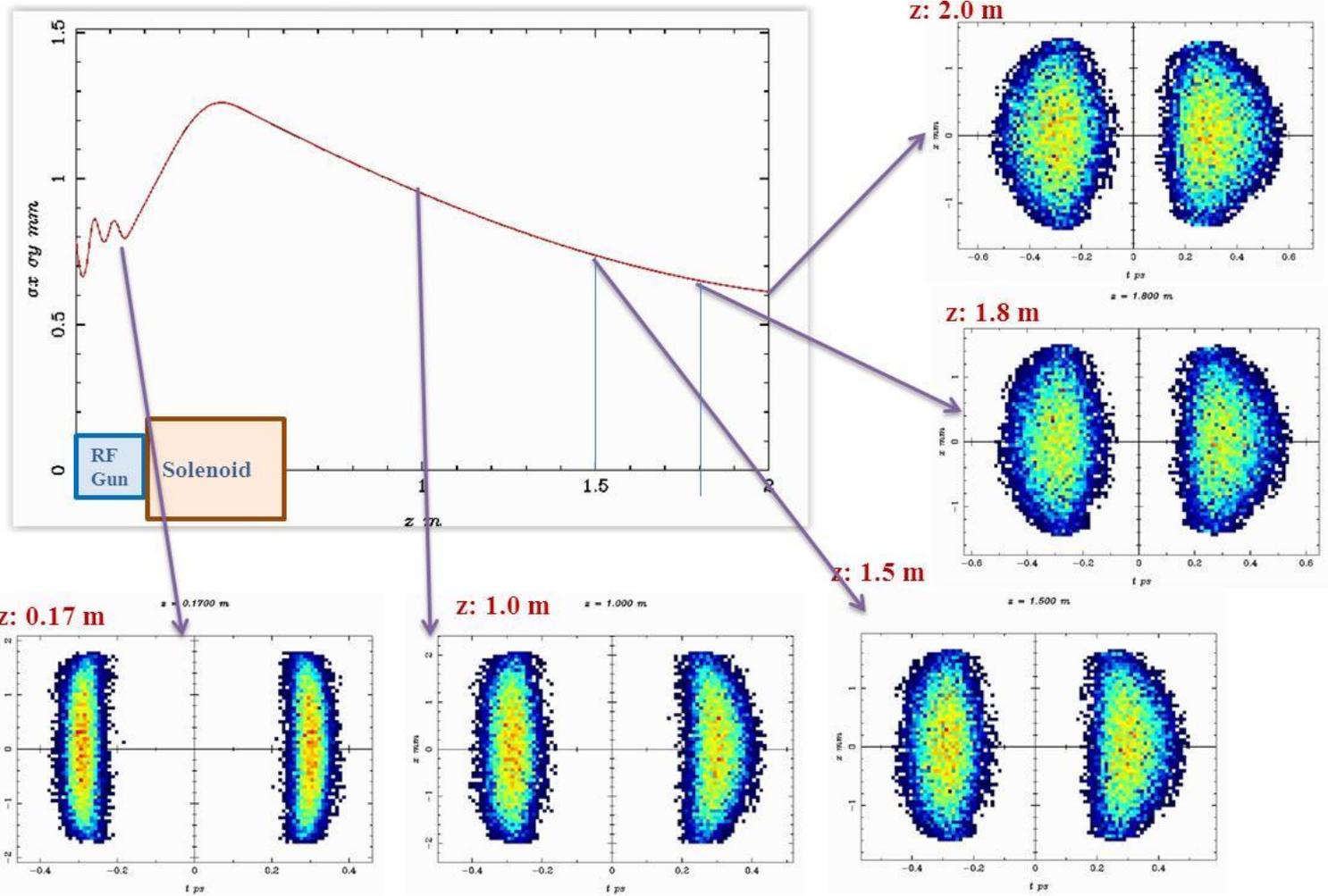


Transverse size: 0.8 mm

# Beam profile: Two bunch mode

Beam Size minimum: 0.6120 mm at 2 m; Beam Energy: 8.67 MeV  
 Normalized Emittance: 0.629  $\pi$ -mm-mrad

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# Beam profile: Two bunch mode

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- Energy : 8.67 MeV
- Total charge: 50 pC
- Micro bunches: 02
- Bunch spacing: 500 fs
- Energy Spread: 0.89 % ( $\sigma$ )
- Bunch length: 320 fs
- Transverse Beam size: 0.61 mm ( $\sigma$ )
- Normalized emittance: 0.629  $\pi$ -mm-mrad

# Status of RF gun work

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**Plan for IUAC Gun**

- The base design is ready
- OFHC Copper shipment will come by May
- Alloys and other material purchased
- Jigs, Fixture design is on-going
- Trial machining will start very soon
- Plan to make one proto type gun this year
- Plan to initiate R&D for 1.3 GHz RF gun for IUAC Phase 2

# Summary

- RF gun is a very popular choice for low emittance beams
- With ease in machining and simple fabrication technique RF gun technology is adapted at many places
- Laser technology is getting advanced much faster. This gives many choices available to RF gun designers

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**Thank you**

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# SAMEER Linac

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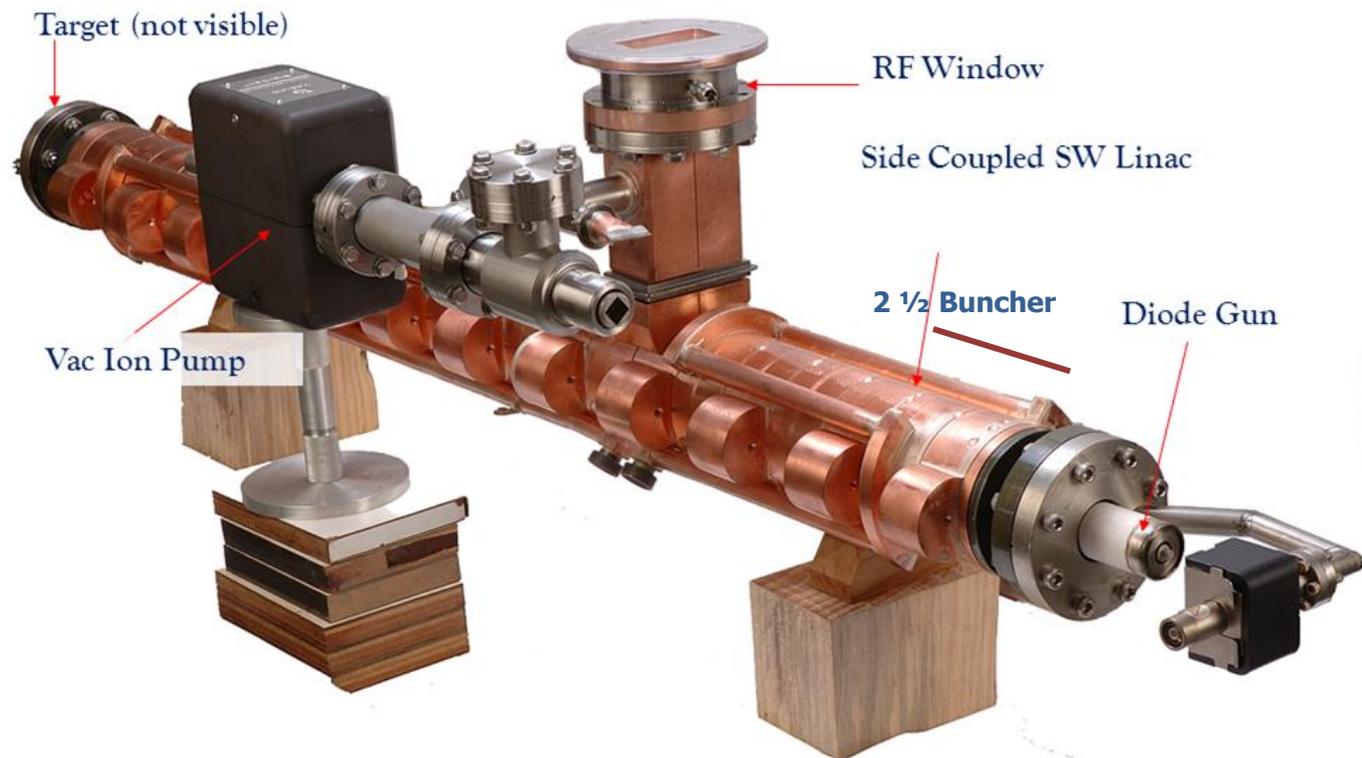
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**Use of RF Gun**



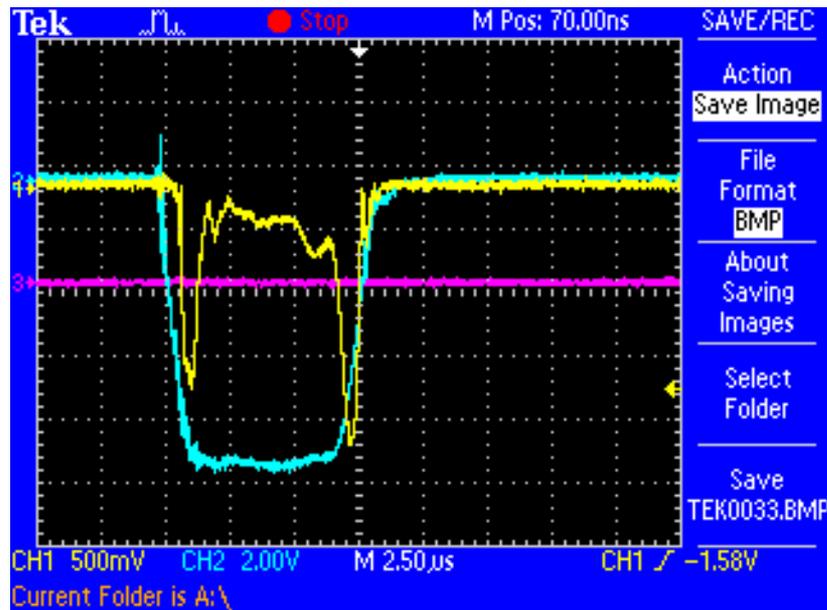
# Accelerating Structure at SAMEER

## Linac Designed at SAMEER

Parameter	Value		Unit
Energy	6	15	MeV
Frequency	2998	2998	MHz
Peak current	140	78	mA
Input Power	2.4	6	MW
Length of Tube	32	112	cms

## Measured parameters for 15 MeV Linac

Parameter	Simulated	Measured
$\pi/2$ frequency, MHz	2998	2999
Side to main coupling %	0.03	0.0267
Shunt impedance, M $\Omega$ /m	100	87
Q (unloaded)	16000	15000
VSWR	1.5	2.02



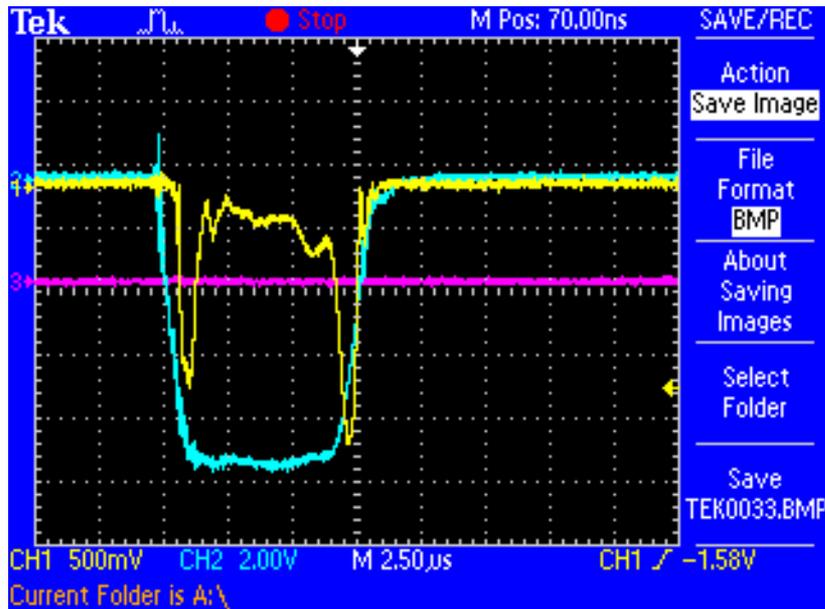
# Experimental results

## Linac Designed at SAMEER

Parameter	Value		Unit
Energy	6	15	MeV
Frequency	2998	2998	MHz
Peak current	140	78	mA
Input Power	2.4	6	MW
Length of Tube	32	112	cms

## Measured parameters for 15 MeV Linac

Parameter	Simulated	Measured
$\pi/2$ frequency, MHz	2998	2999
Side to main coupling %	0.03	0.0267
Shunt impedance, M $\Omega$ /m	100	87
Q (unloaded)	16000	15000
VSWR	1.5	2.02



Parameter	Low	High
Energy (MeV)	6 MeV	16 MeV
Dose rate (Rads/min at 1 m)	300	4500
Peak current (mA)	120	80
Average current ( $\mu$ A)	120	80
Rep. rate (Hz)	250	166

# Field Emission

- Fowler - Nordheim Equation governs the emission process and is given as:

$$J = \frac{e^3 F^2}{8\pi h \phi} \exp\left(\frac{4\sqrt{2m}}{3heF} \phi^{3/2}\right)$$

where,

F is the Surface field

e is electronic charge =  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  C

m is electron mass =  $9.11 \times 10^{-31}$  kg

$k_B$  is Boltzmann constant =  $1.38 \times 10^{-23}$  (J/K) =  $8.6175 \times 10^{-5}$  (eV/K)

h is Planck's constant =  $6.63 \times 10^{-34}$  (Js)

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# Components for RF gun: Photocathode

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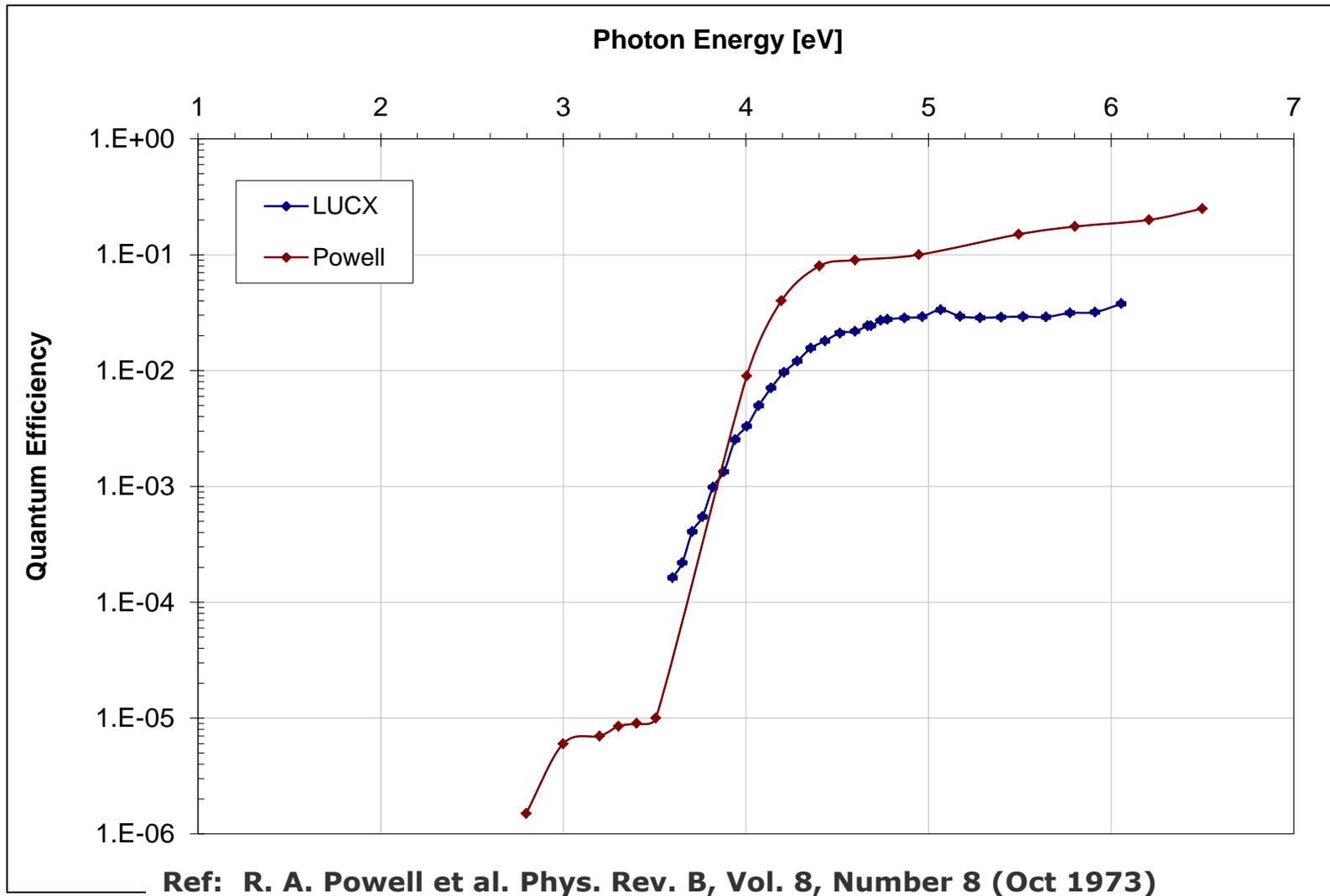
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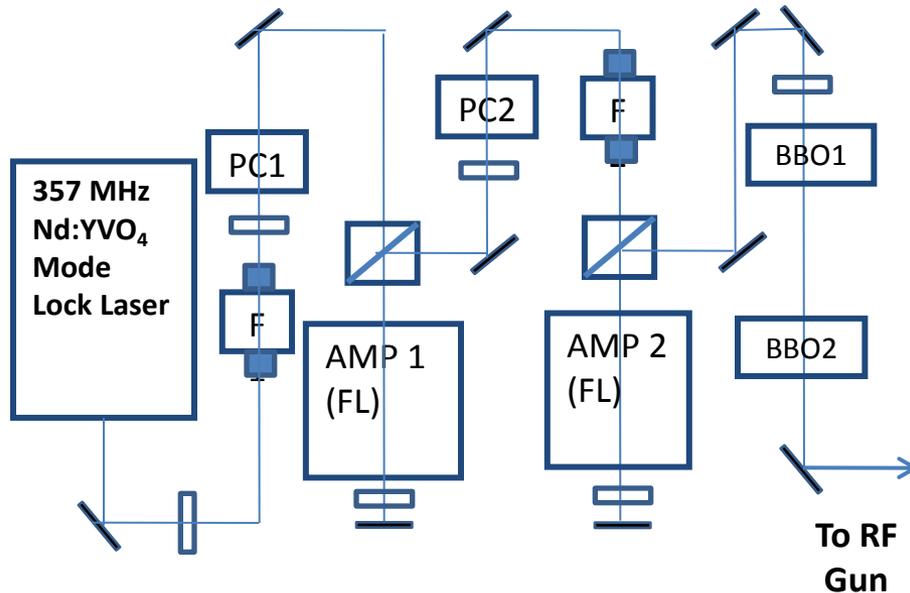
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Use of RF Gun



# Components for RF gun: Laser System

- Nd:YVO<sub>4</sub> laser will be used for RF photo cathode gun to generate electron bunches.



PC: Pockels Cell

AMP: Flash Lamp Amplifier

FI: Faraday Isolator

BBO: Non linear optical crystal

Seed Laser	Nd:YVO <sub>4</sub> mode locked
Rep. rate	357MHz
Average Power	10 W
Wavelength of seed laser	1064 nm
Wavelength on photo cathode	266 nm
Pulse width	7 ps (rms)
Profile	Gaussian

# Parameters of RF gun Laser

Parameter	Value	Unit	Remark
Laser Pulse width	7.0	ps	rms
Wavelength	1064	nm	
Peak Power	10	W	Average
Repetition Rate	357	MHz	
Power per pulse before amplification	28	nJ per pulse	
Power after IR to UV conversion	2.8	nJ per pulse	10 % efficiency
Amplification	2000		
Power per pulse after amplification	5.6	mJ per pulse	
Wavelength after down conversion	266	nm	
Quantum efficiency of photo cathode	0.1	%	
Charger per bunch	1.2	nC	Full Shutter

# Modulator

## Klystron Parameters

Parameter	Value
Peak output power	6 MW
Drive power	200 W (max)
Voltage	132 kV
Current	93.6 A
Pulse width	8.5 $\mu$ s (max)
Duty	0.00126 (max)

## Modulator Parameters

Parameter	Design	Measured
Peak Voltage	14 kV	13.5 kV
Peak current	1100A	1140A
Pulse width	6.5 $\mu$ s (max)	6.5 $\mu$ s (max)
PRF	200 Hz	200 Hz
Pulse rise time	1 $\mu$ s	1 $\mu$ s

