



Lecture 4

RF Acceleration in Linacs

Part 1



Outline

- Transit-time factor
- Coupled RF cavities and normal modes
- Examples of RF cavity structures

- Material from *Wangler, Chapters 2 and 3*



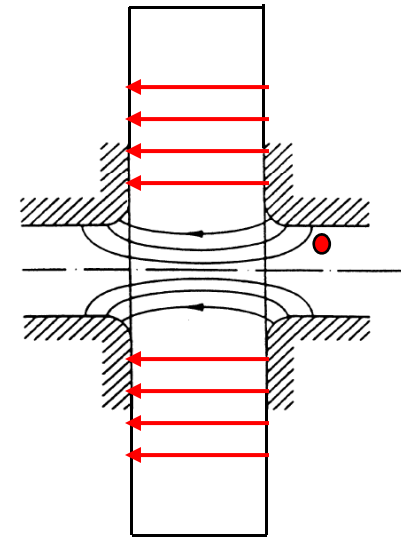
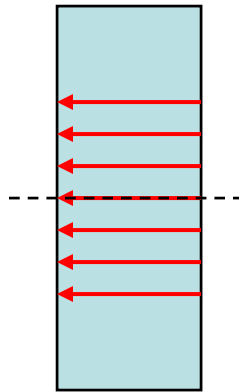
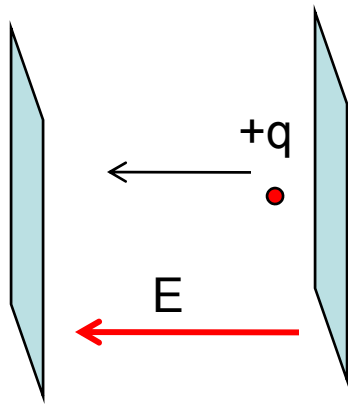
Transit Time Factor

- We now consider the energy gained by a charged particle that traverses an *accelerating gap*, such as a pillbox cavity in TM_{010} mode.
- The energy-gain is complicated by the fact that the RF field is changing while the particle is in the gap



Transit Time Factor

- We will consider this problem by considering successively more realistic (and complicated) models for the accelerating gap, where in each case the field varies sinusoidally in time
- We also must consider the possibility that the energy gain depends on particle radius





Acceleration by Time-Varying Fields

Consider infinite parallel plates separated by a distance L with sinusoidal voltage applied, assume uniform E-field in gap (neglect holes)

$$E_z = E_z(t) = E_0 \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

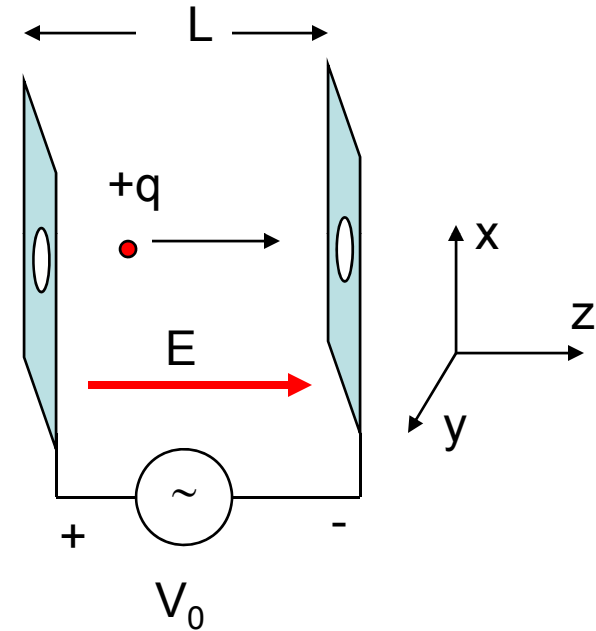
where at $t=0$, the particle is at the center of the gap ($z=0$), and the phase of the field relative to the crest is ϕ

But t is a function of position $t=t(z)$, with

$$t(z) = \int_0^z \frac{dz}{v(z)}$$

The energy gain in the *accelerating gap* is

$$\Delta W = q \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E_z dz = qE_0 \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \cos(\omega t(z) + \phi) dz$$





Energy Gain in an Accelerating Gap

- Assume the velocity change through the gap is small, so that $t(z) = z/v$, and

$$\omega t \approx \omega \frac{z}{v} = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} \frac{z}{c\beta} = \frac{2\pi z}{\beta\lambda}$$

$$\Delta W = qE_0 \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} (\cos \omega t \cos \phi - \sin \omega t \sin \phi) dz$$

This is an odd-function of z

$$\Delta W = qE_0 \cos \phi \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi z}{\beta\lambda}\right) dz - qE_0 \sin \phi \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi z}{\beta\lambda}\right) dz$$

$$\Delta W = qE_0 \cos \phi \frac{\beta\lambda}{2\pi} \left[\sin \frac{2\pi z}{\beta\lambda} \right]_{-L/2}^{L/2}$$



Energy Gain and Transit Time Factor

$$\Delta W = qE_0 \frac{\sin(\pi L / \beta\lambda)}{\pi L / \beta\lambda} L \cos \phi$$

$$\Delta W = qV_0 T \cos \phi$$

$$T = \frac{\sin(\pi L / \beta\lambda)}{\pi L / \beta\lambda}$$

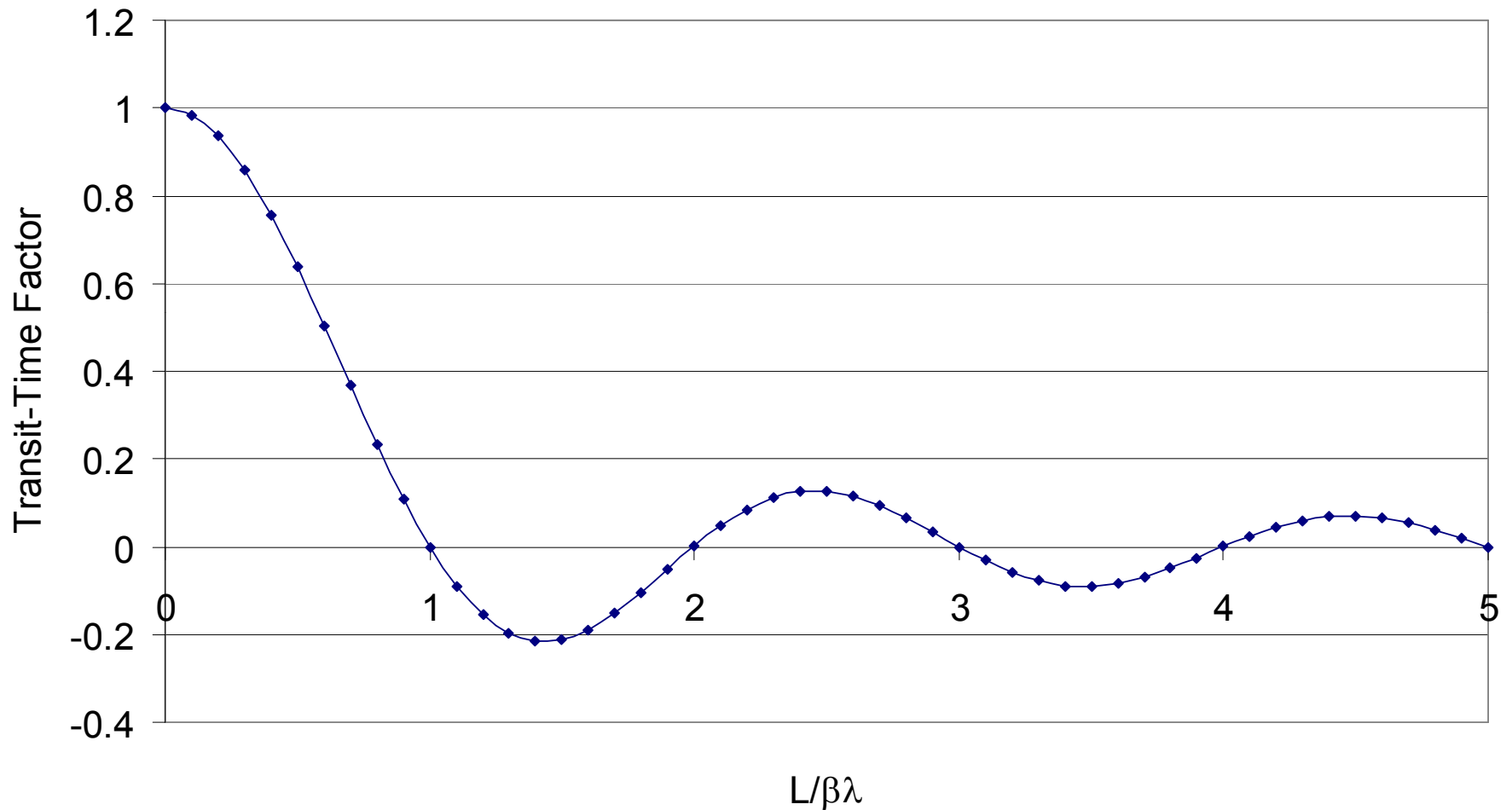
- Compare to energy gain from static DC field:

$$\Delta W = \Delta W_{DC} T \cos \phi$$

- T is the *transit-time factor*: a factor that takes into account the time-variation of the field during particle transit through the gap
- ϕ is the *synchronous phase*, measured from the crest



Transit-Time Factor



For efficient acceleration by RF fields, we need to properly match the gap length L to the distance that the particle travels in one RF wavelength, $\beta\lambda$



Transit Time Factor for Real RF Gaps

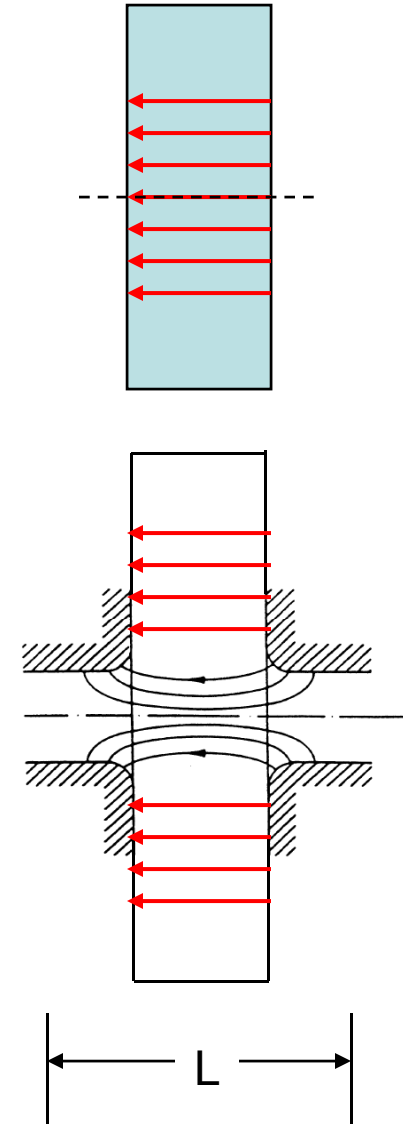
- The energy gain just calculated for infinite planes is the same as that for an on-axis particle accelerated in a pillbox cavity neglecting the beam holes
- A more realistic accelerating field depends on r, z

$$E_z = E_z(r, z, t) = E(r, z) \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

- Calculate the energy gain as before:

$$\Delta W = q \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E_z dz = q \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) \cos(\omega t(z) + \phi) dz$$

$$\Delta W = q \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) (\cos \omega t \cos \phi - \sin \omega t \sin \phi) dz$$





Transit-time Factor

- Choose the origin at the electrical center of the gap, defined as

$$\int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) \sin \omega t(z) dz = 0$$

- This gives

$$\Delta W = qV_0 T \cos \phi = q \left[\int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) dz \right] \left[\frac{\int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) \cos \omega t dz}{\int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) dz} \right] \cos \phi$$

- From which we identify the general form of the transit-time factor as

$$T = \frac{\int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) \cos \omega t dz}{\int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) dz}$$



Transit-time Factor

- Assuming that the velocity change is small in the gap, then

$$\omega t \approx \omega \frac{z}{v} = \frac{2\pi z}{\beta\lambda} = kz$$

- The transit time factor can be expressed as

$$T(k) \equiv T(0, k) = \frac{1}{V_0} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) \cos(kz) dz$$
$$V_0 = \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(0, z) dz \quad k = \frac{2\pi}{\beta\lambda}$$



Radial Dependence of Transit-time Factor

- We calculated the Transit-time factor for an on-axis particle. We can extend this analysis to the transit-time factor and energy gain for off-axis particles
- This is important because the electric-field in a pillbox cavity decreases with radius (remember TM_{010} fields)

$$T(r, k) = \frac{1}{V_0} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(r, z) \cos(kz) dz$$

$$T(r, k) = T(k) I_0(Kr)$$

- Where I_0 is the *modified Bessel function of order zero*, and

$$K = \frac{2\pi}{\gamma\beta\lambda}$$

- Giving for the energy gain

$$\Delta W = qV_0 T(k) I_0(Kr) \cos \phi$$

which is the on-axis result modified by the r-dependent Bessel function



Realistic Geometry of an RF Gap

- Assume accelerating field at drift-tube bore radius ($r=a$) is constant within the gap, and zero outside the gap within the drift tube walls

$$E(r = a, z) = \begin{cases} E_g & 0 \leq |z| \leq g/2 \\ 0 & g/2 \leq |z| \end{cases}$$

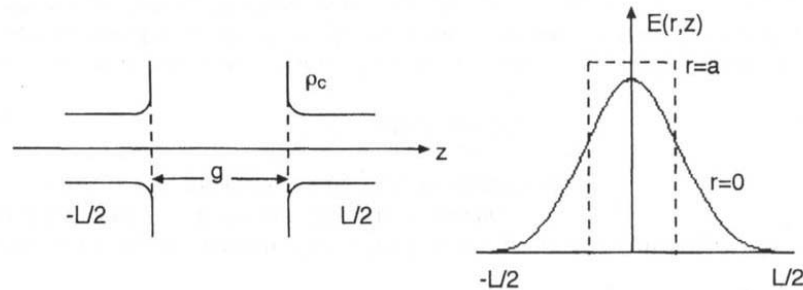


Figure 2.1 Gap geometry and field distribution.

- Using the definition of transit-time factor:

$$T(r, k) = \frac{1}{V_0} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} E(r, z) \cos(kz) dz$$

- we get

$$V_0 T(k) = \frac{E_g g}{I_0(Ka)} \frac{\sin(kg/2)}{kg/2} \quad V_0 = \frac{E_g g}{J_0(2\pi a / \lambda)}$$

- Finally,

$$T(r, k) = T(k) I_0(Kr) = I_0(Kr) \frac{J_0(2\pi a / \lambda)}{I_0(Ka)} \frac{\sin(\pi g / \beta \lambda)}{\pi g / \beta \lambda}$$



What about the drift tubes?

- The cutoff frequency for a cylindrical waveguide is

$$\omega_c = 2.405c / R$$

- The drift tube has a cutoff frequency, below which EM waves do not propagate
- The propagation factor k is

$$k_z^2 = \left(\frac{2.405}{R_c} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{2.405}{R_{hole}} \right)^2 < 0$$

- So the electric field decays exponentially with penetration distance in the drift tube:

$$E_z = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} = E_0 e^{i(|k|z - \omega t)} = E_0 e^{-|k|z} e^{-i\omega t}$$

- Example: 1 GHz cavity with $r=1\text{cm}$ beam holes:



Power and Acceleration Figures of Merit

- Quality Factor

- “goodness” of an oscillator

$$Q = \frac{\omega U}{P}$$

- Shunt Impedance:

- “Ohms law” resistance

$$r_s = \frac{V_0^2}{P}$$

- Effective Shunt Impedance:

- Impedance including TTF

$$r = \frac{(V_0 T)^2}{P} = r_s T^2$$

- Shunt Impedance per unit length

$$Z = \frac{r_s}{L} = \frac{E_0^2}{P/L}$$

- Effective Shunt Impedance/unit length:

$$ZT^2 = \frac{r}{L} = \frac{(E_0 T)^2}{P/L}$$

- “R over Q”

- Efficiency of acceleration per unit of stored energy

$$\frac{r}{Q} = \frac{(V_0 T)^2}{\omega U}$$



Power Balance

- Power delivered to the beam is:

$$P_B = \frac{I\Delta W}{q}$$

- Total power delivered by the RF power source is:

$$P_T = P + P_B$$



Coupled RF Cavities and Normal Modes



Now, let's make a real linac

- We can accelerate particles in a pillbox cavity
- Real linacs are made by stringing together a series of pillbox cavities.
- These cavity arrays can be constructed from independently powered cavities, or by “coupling” a number of cavities in a single RF structure.



Coupling of two cavities

- Suppose we couple two RF cavities together:
 - Each is an electrical oscillator with the same resonant frequency
 - A beampipe couples the two cavities
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- Remember the case of mechanical coupling of two oscillators:
 - Two mechanical modes are possible:
 - The “zero-mode”: $\phi_A - \phi_B = 0$, where each oscillates at natural frequency
 - The “pi-mode”: $\phi_A - \phi_B = \pi$, where each oscillates at a higher frequency

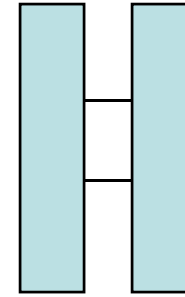
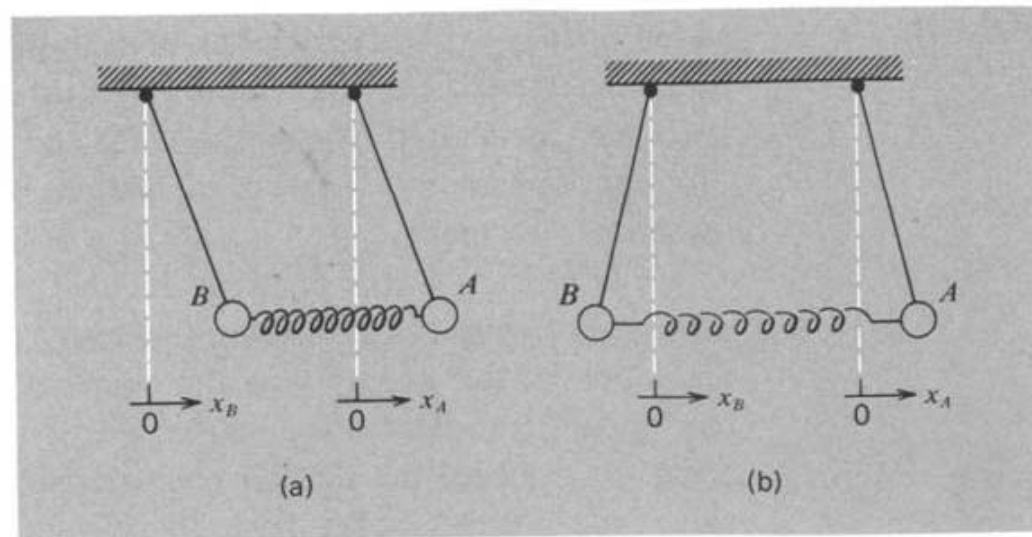


Fig. 5-4 (a) Lower normal mode of two coupled pendulums. (b) Higher normal mode of two coupled pendulums.





Coupling of electrical oscillators

- Two coupled oscillators, each with same resonant frequency:
- Apply Kirchoff's laws to each circuit:

$$\omega_0^2 = \frac{1}{LC}$$

$$\sum V = i_1(j\Omega L) + i_1 \frac{1}{j\Omega C} + i_2(j\Omega M) = 0$$

- Gives

$$i_1 \left(1 - \frac{\omega_0^2}{\Omega^2}\right) + i_2 \frac{M}{L} = 0$$

$$i_2 \left(1 - \frac{\omega_0^2}{\Omega^2}\right) + i_1 \frac{M}{L} = 0$$

- Which can be expressed as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/\omega_0^2 & k/\omega_0^2 \\ k/\omega_0^2 & 1/\omega_0^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\Omega^2} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad k = M/L$$

- You may recognize this as an eigenvalue problem

$$\tilde{M}\vec{X}_q = \frac{1}{\Omega_q^2} \vec{X}_q$$

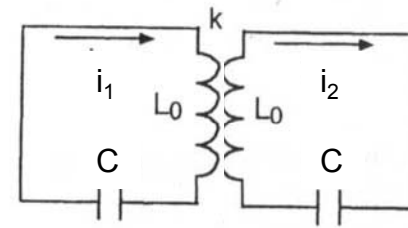


Figure 4.1 Oscillators.



Coupling of electrical oscillators

- There are two normal-mode eigenvectors and associated eigenfrequencies
- Zero-mode:

$$X_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Omega_0 = \frac{\omega_0}{\sqrt{1+k}}$$

- Pi-mode:

$$X_\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Omega_\pi = \frac{\omega_0}{\sqrt{1-k}}$$

- Like the coupled pendula, we have 2 normal modes, one for in-phase oscillation (“Zero-mode”) and another for out of phase oscillation (“Pi-mode”).
- It is important to remember that both oscillators have resonant frequencies Ω , different from the natural (uncoupled) frequency.



Normal modes for many coupled cavities

- N+1 coupled oscillators have N+1 normal-modes of oscillation
- Normal mode spectrum:

$$\Omega_q = \frac{\omega_0}{\sqrt{1 + k \cos(\pi q / N)}}$$

- Where $q=0,1,\dots,N$ is the mode number
- Not all are useful for particle acceleration
- Standing wave structures of coupled cavities are all driven so that the beam sees either the zero or π mode

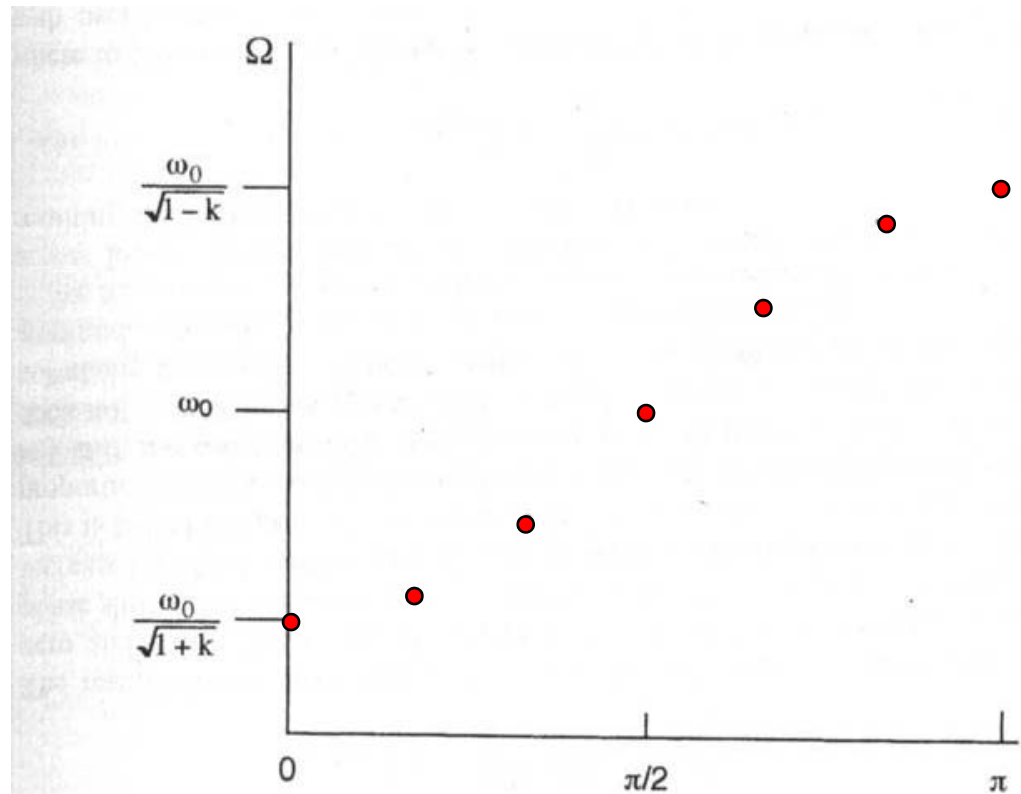
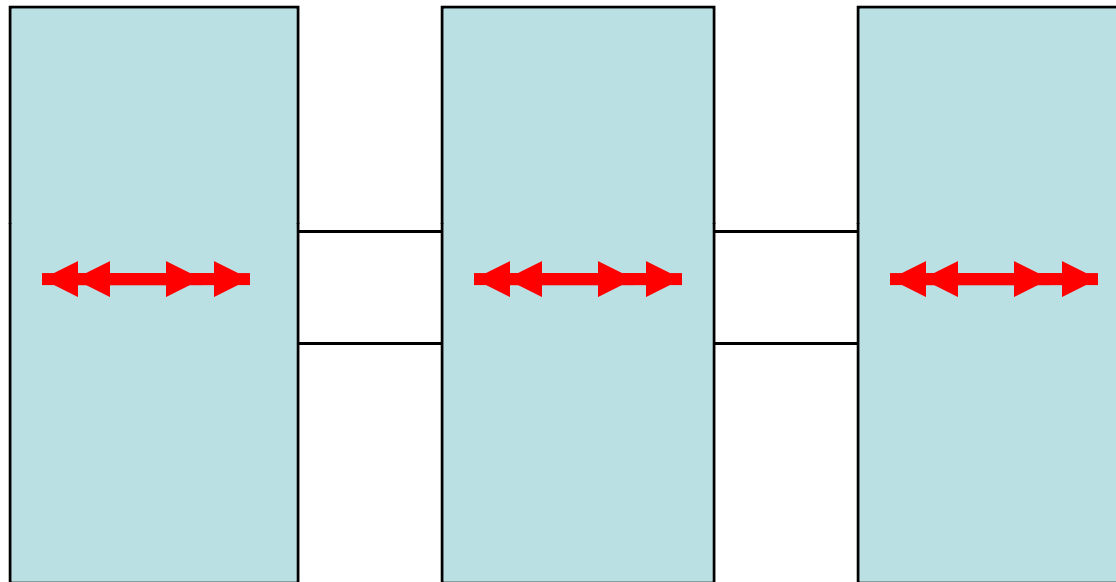


Figure 4.14 Normal-mode spectrum of coupled oscillator system with seven oscillators.



Example for a 3-cell Cavity: Zero-mode Excitation



$\omega t = 0$

$\omega t = \pi/4$

$\omega t = \pi/2$

$\omega t = 3\pi/4$

$\omega t = \pi$

$\omega t = 5\pi/4$

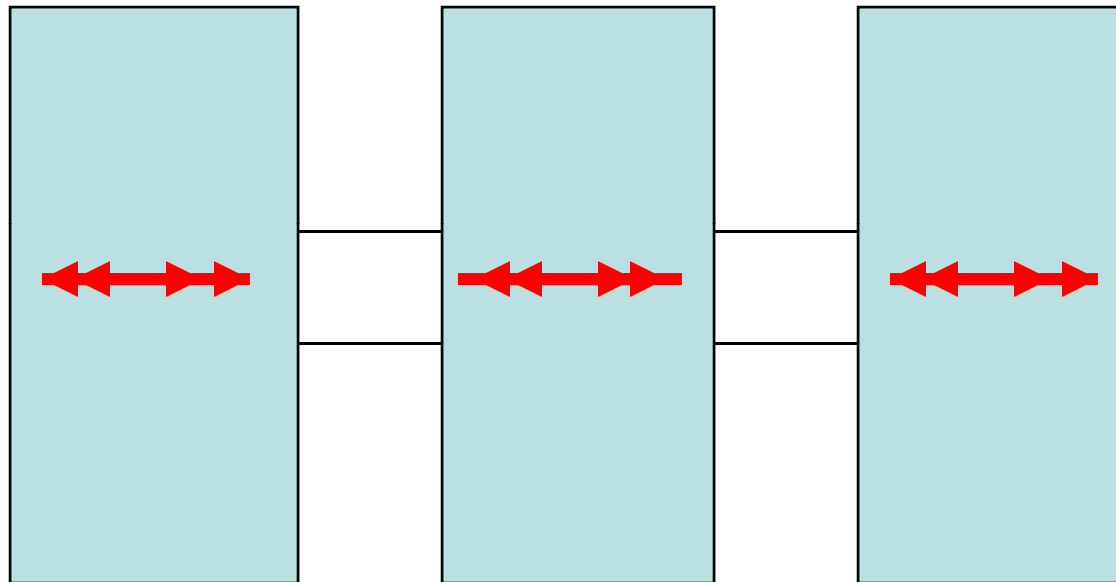
$\omega t = 3\pi/2$

$\omega t = 7\pi/4$

$\omega t = 2\pi$



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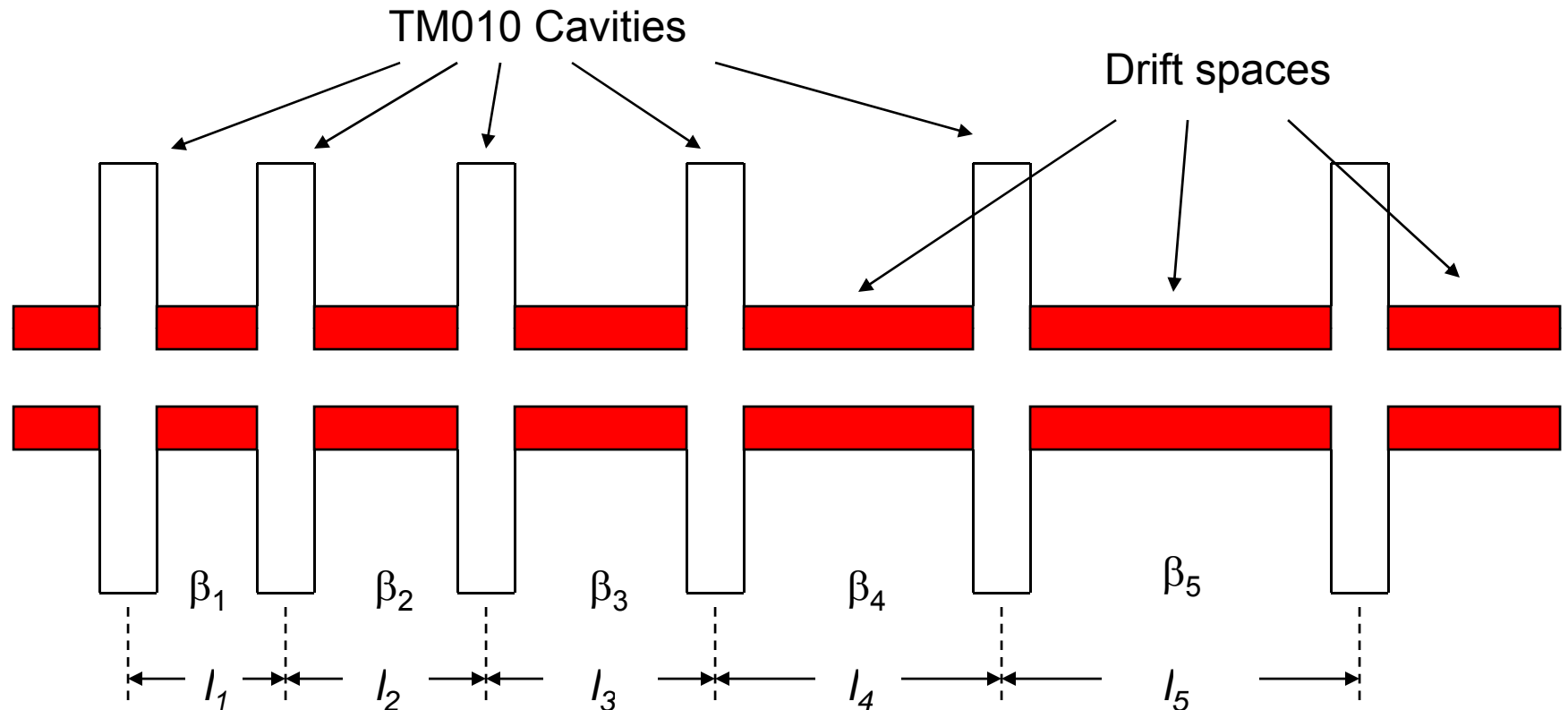
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Synchronicity condition in multicell RF structures



- Suppose we want a particle to arrive at the center of each gap at $\phi=0$. Then we would have to space the cavities so that the RF phase advanced by
 - 2π if the coupled cavity array was driven in zero-mode
 - Or by π if the coupled cavity array was driven in pi-mode



Synchronicity Condition

Zero-mode:

$$\phi = \omega t = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} t = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} \frac{l_n}{c\beta_n} = 2\pi$$
$$l_n = \beta_n \lambda$$

- RF gaps (cells) are spaced by $\beta\lambda$, which increases as the particle velocity increases

Pi-mode:

$$\phi = \omega t = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} t = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} \frac{l_n}{c\beta_n} = \pi$$
$$l_n = \beta_n \lambda / 2$$

- RF gaps (cells) are spaced by $\beta\lambda/2$, which increases as the particle velocity increases



Energy Gain in Multicell Superconducting Pi-Mode Cavity

- Elliptical multicell cavity in pi-mode:

$$E(r = 0, z) = E_g \cos k_s z$$

- Where $k_s = \pi/L$, and $L = \beta_s \lambda / 2$
- This gives, for a particle with velocity matching the “geometric-beta” of the cavity

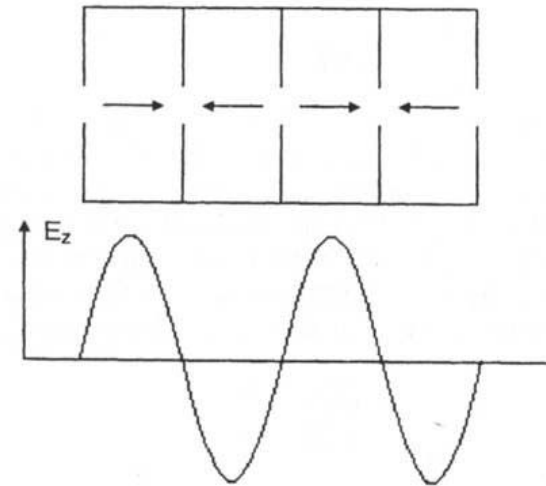
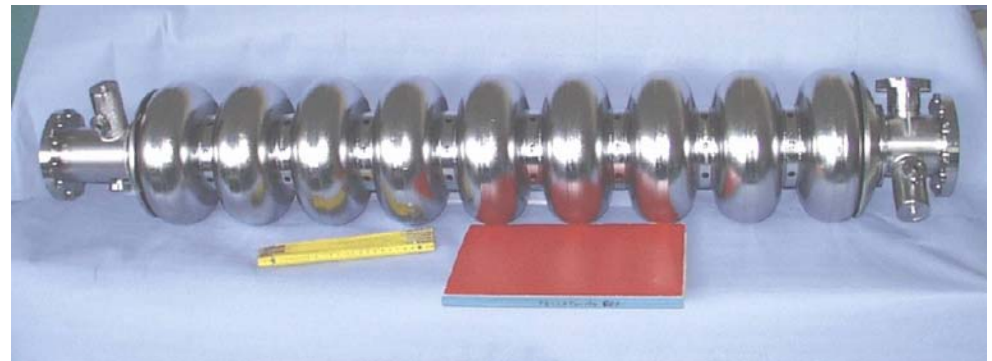


Figure 2.3 Axial electric-field distribution showing the effect of the π -mode boundary conditions, which causes the field to cross the axis at the boundaries of each cell.

$$T(k_s) = T(0, k_s) = \frac{E_g}{V_0} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \cos^2(k_s z) dz = \frac{\pi}{4}$$



Superconducting RF cavity for ILC



Examples of RF Cavity Structures



Alvarez Drift Tube Linac

- DTL consists of a long “tank” excited in TM_{010} mode (radius determines frequency)
- Drift tubes are placed along the beam-axis so that the accelerating gaps satisfy synchronicity condition, with nominal spacing of $\beta\lambda$
- The cutoff frequency for EM propagation within the drift tubes is much greater than the resonant frequency of the tank ($\omega_c = 2.405c/R$)
- Each tube (cell) can be considered a separate cavity, so that the entire DTL structure is a set of coupled cavity resonators excited in the zero-mode

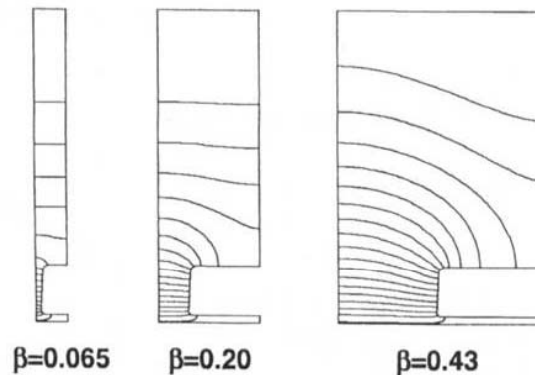
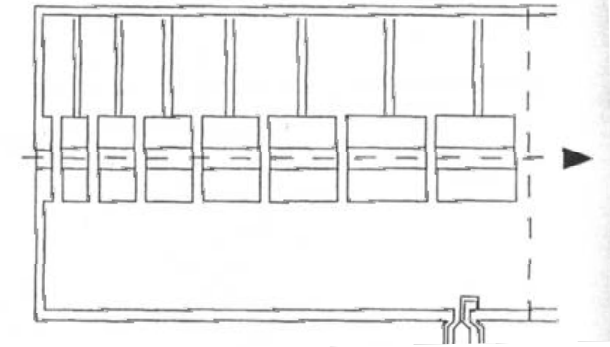
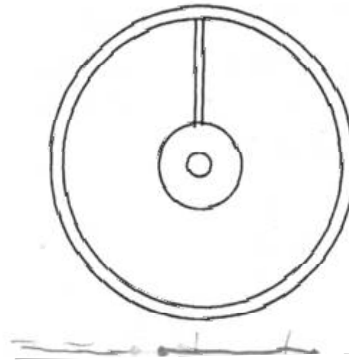
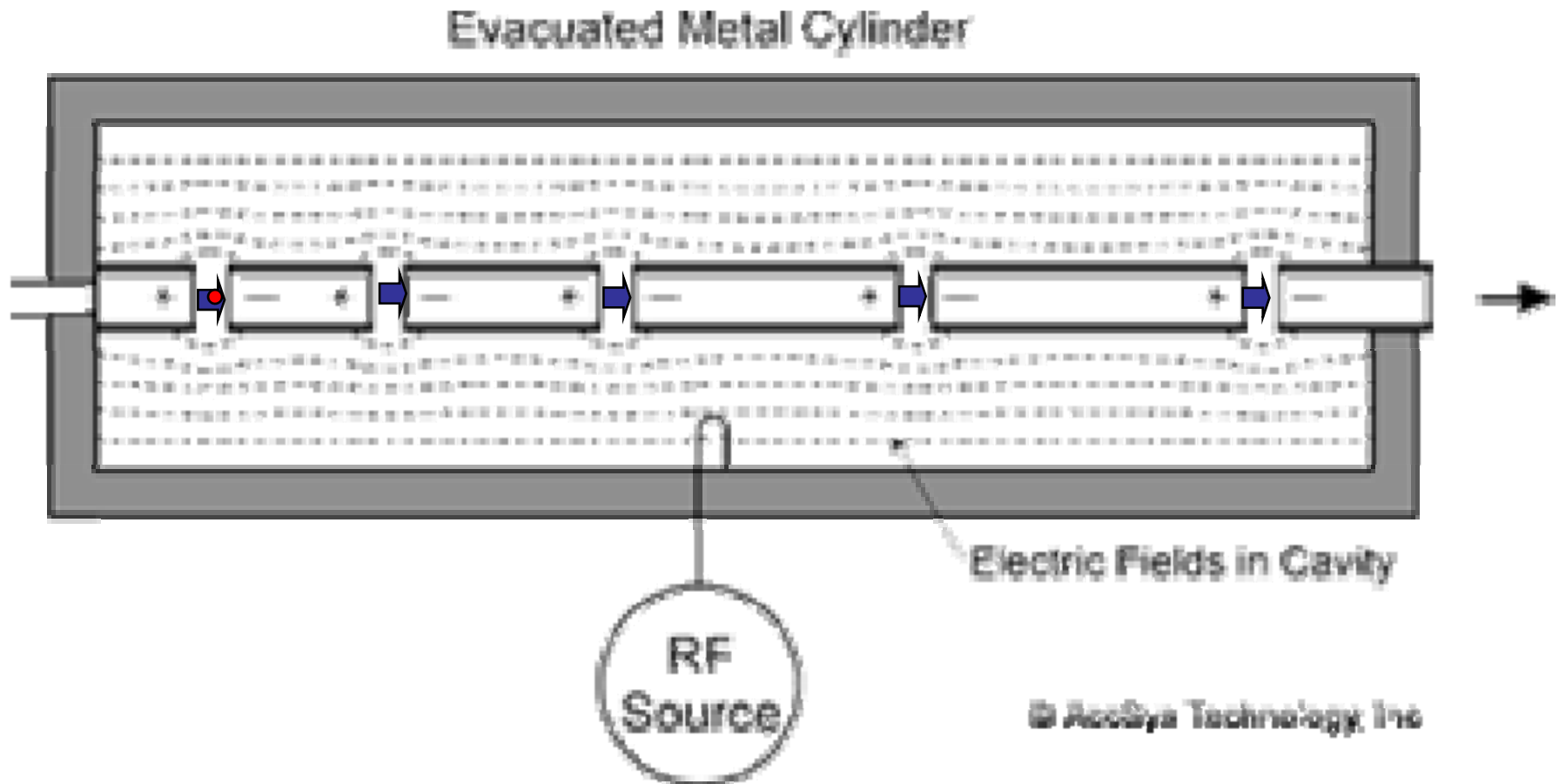


Figure 4.9 Electric-field lines shown in one quarter of the projections of three DTL cells as calculated by the program SUPERFISH (courtesy of J. H. Billen).



Zero-mode excitation of a Drift Tube Linac Tank

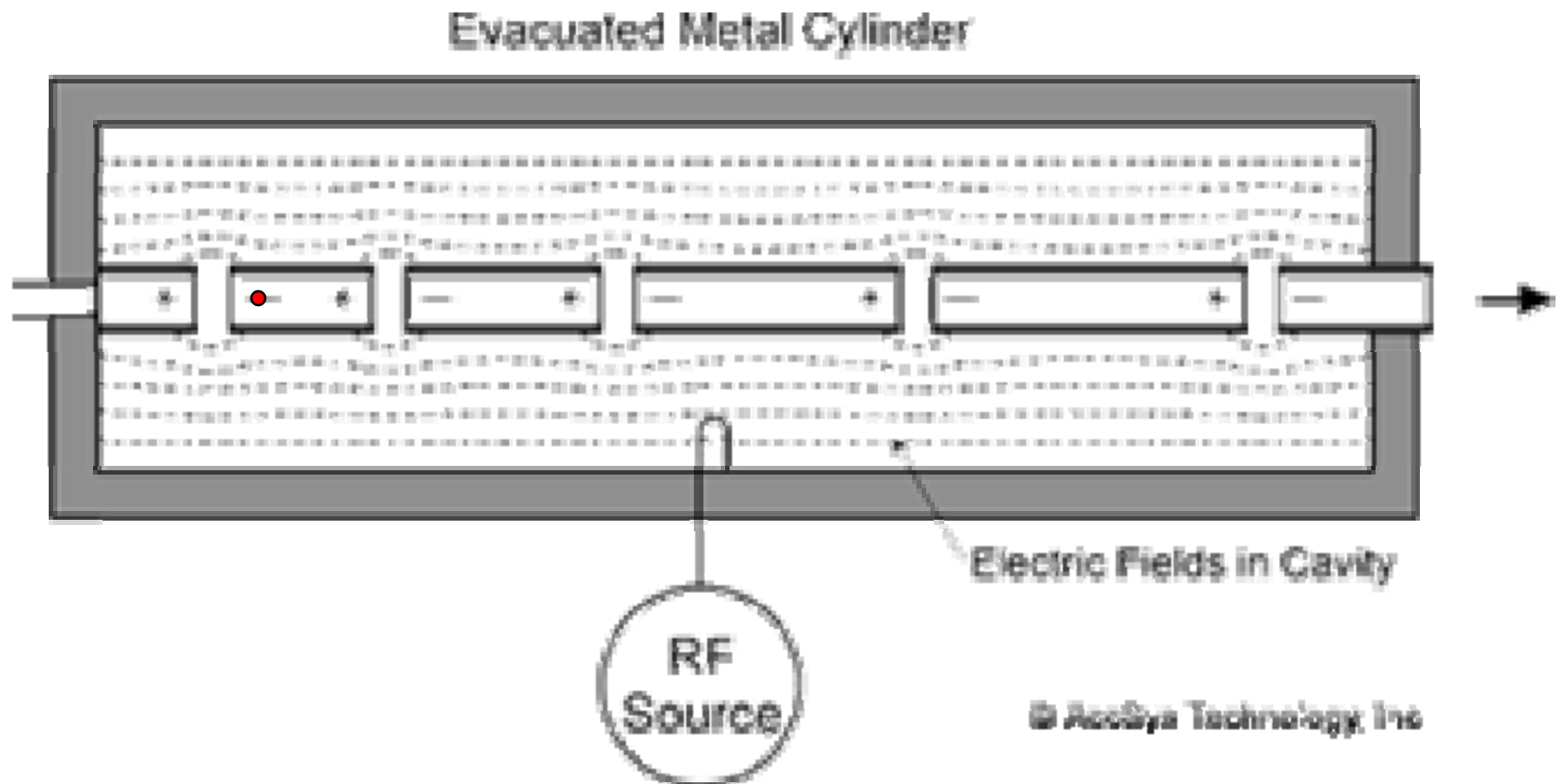
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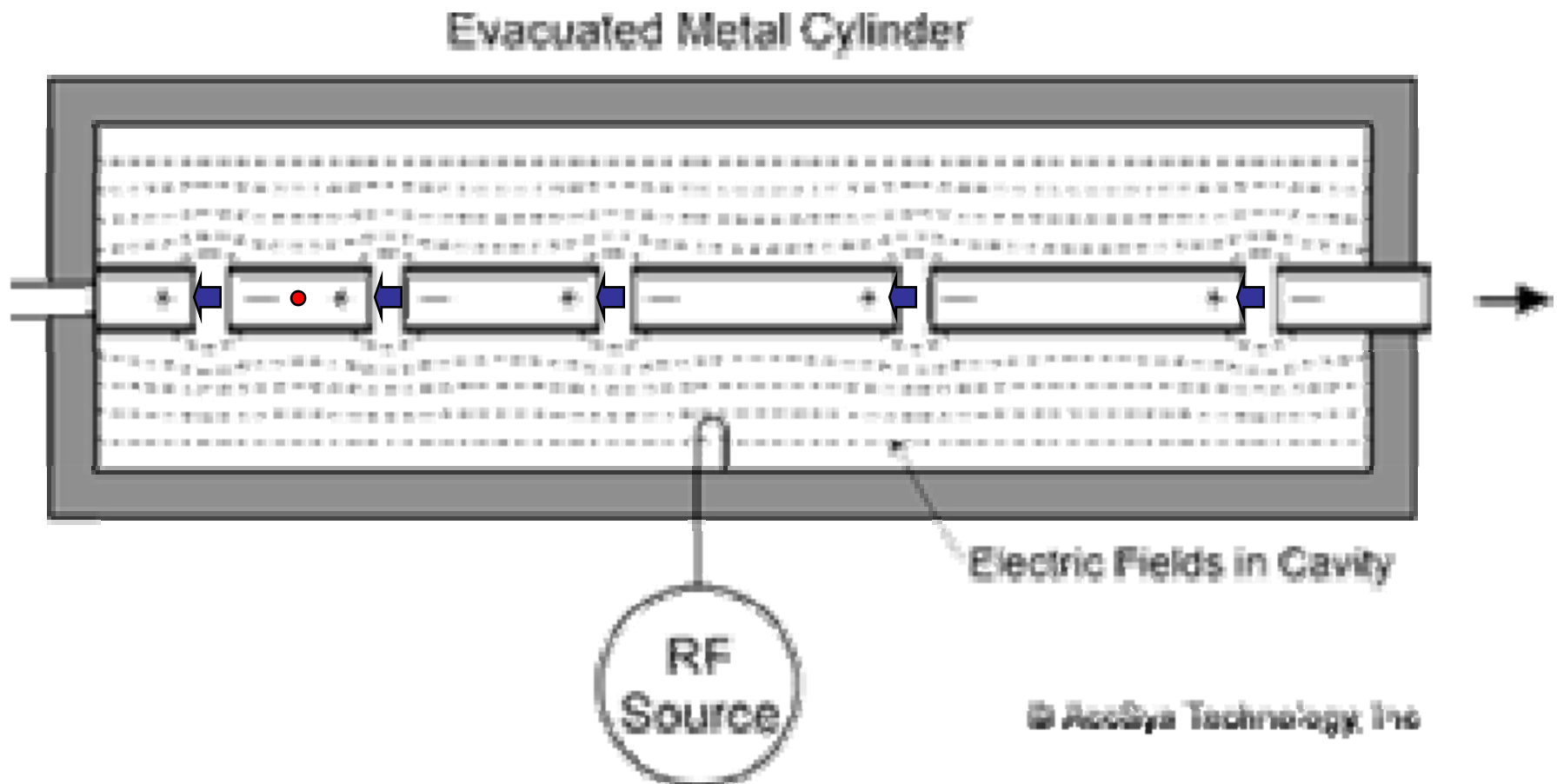
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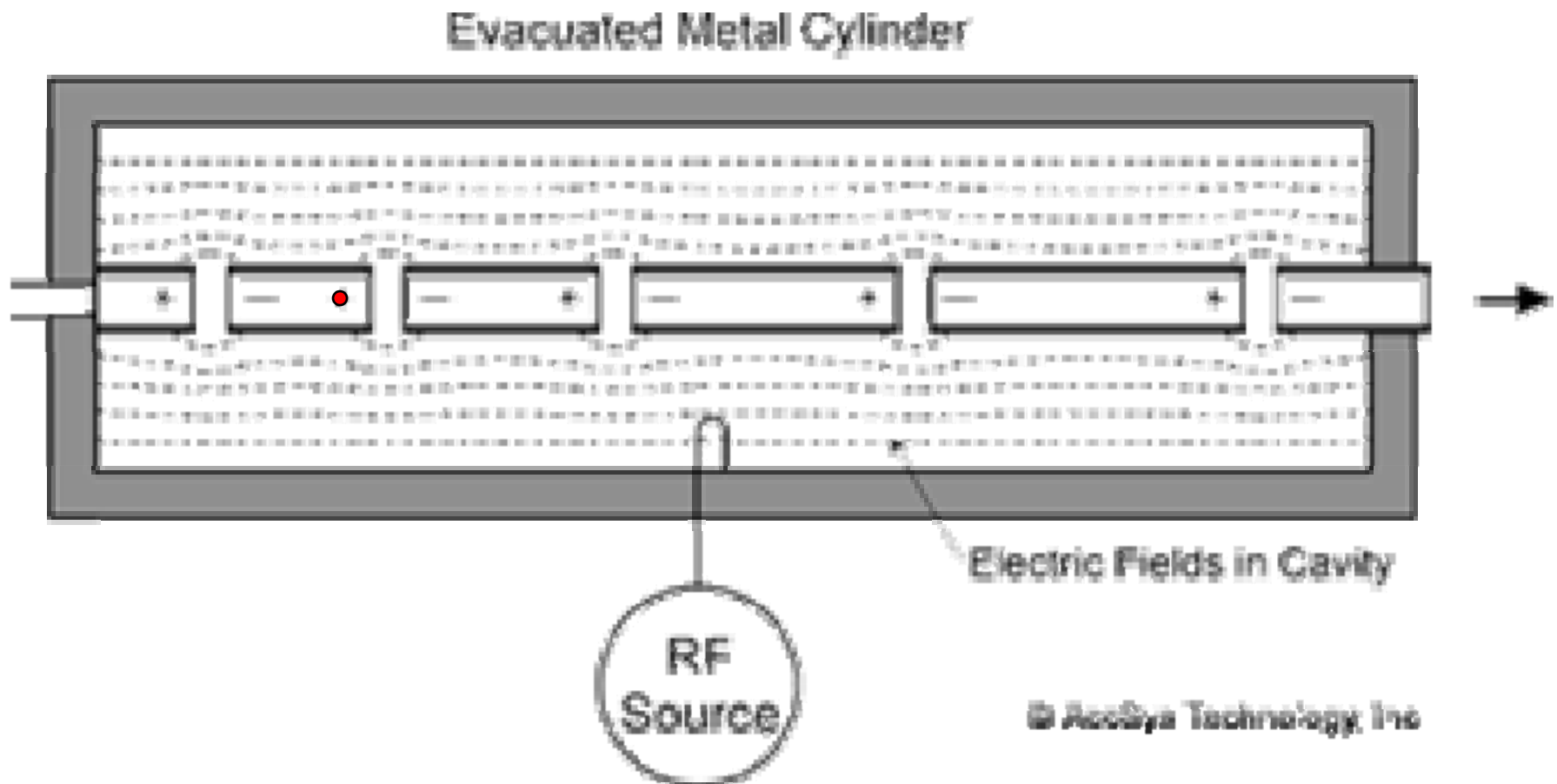
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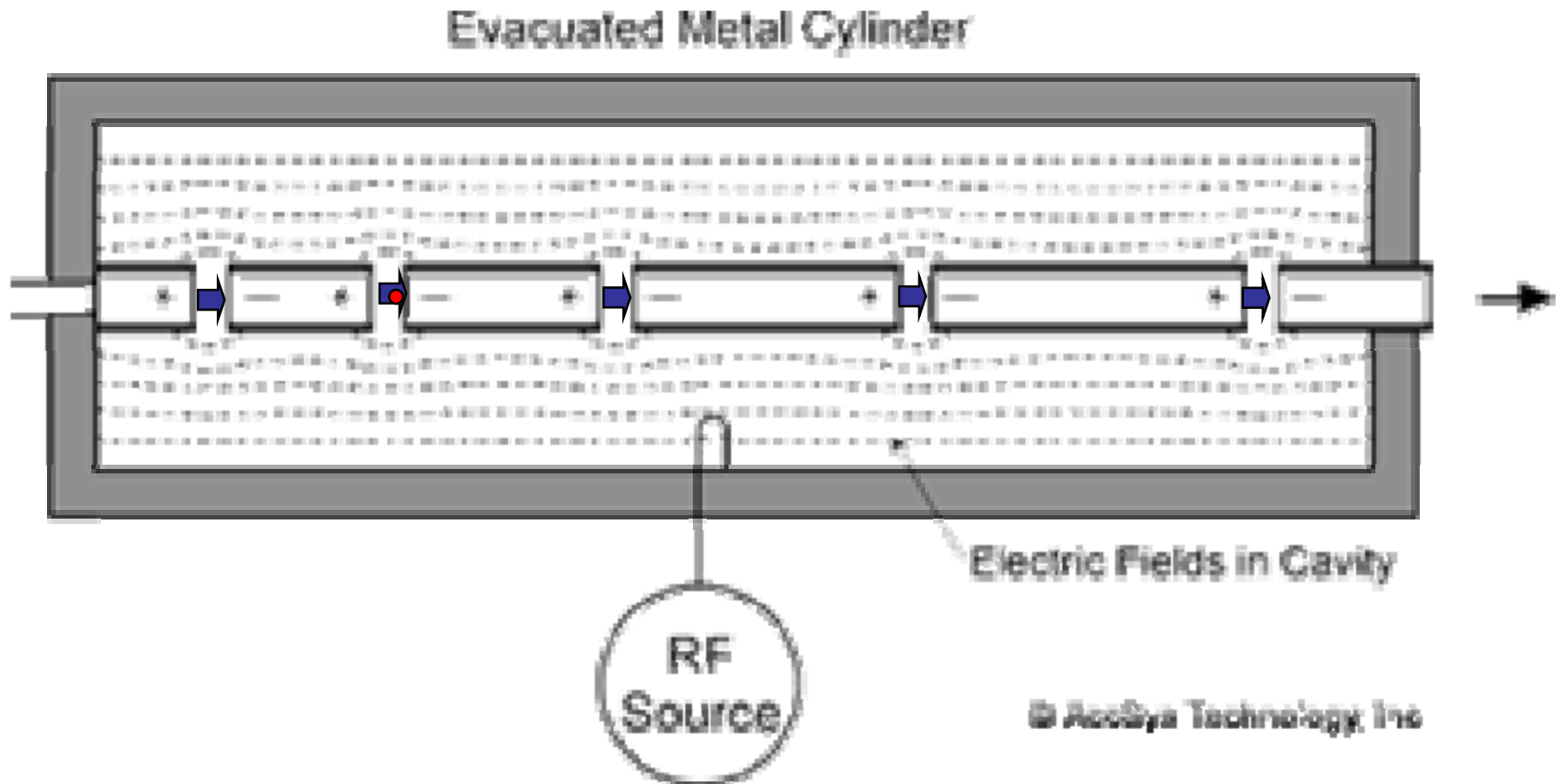
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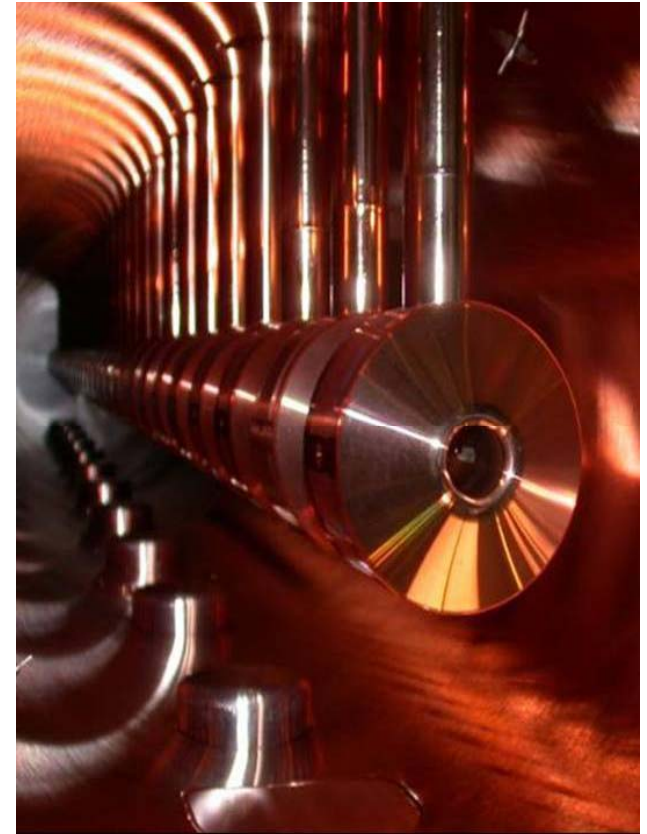
- $\phi = \omega t = 2\pi$, $E_z = E_0$





Alvarez Drift Tube Linac

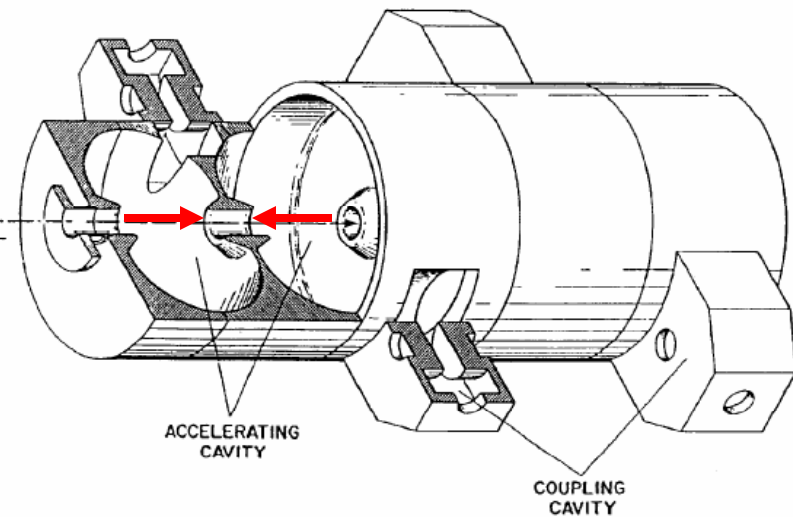
- DTLs are used to accelerate protons from ~ 1 MeV to ~ 100 MeV
- At higher energies, the drift tubes become long and unwieldy
- DTL frequencies are in the 200-400 MHz range





Coupled Cavity Linac

- Long array of coupled cavities driven in $\pi/2$ mode
- Every other cavity is unpowered in the $\pi/2$ mode
- These are placed off the beam axis in order to minimize the length of the linac
- To the beam, the structure looks like a π mode structure
- Actual CCL structures contain hundreds of coupled cavities, and therefore have hundreds of normal-modes. Only the $\pi/2$ mode is useful for beam acceleration.
- The cell spacing varies with beam velocity, with nominal cell length $\beta\lambda/2$





Coupled Cavity Linac Examples

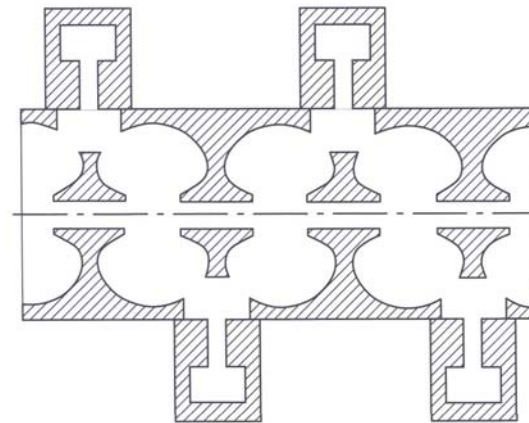
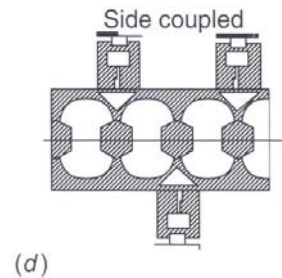
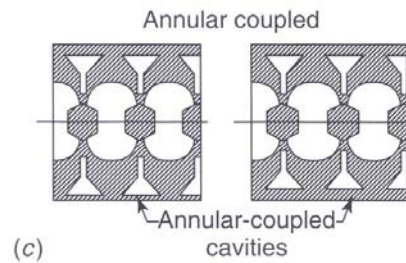
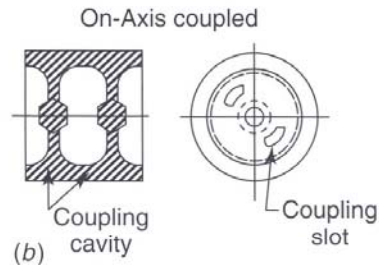
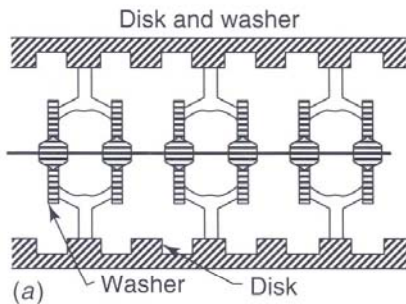
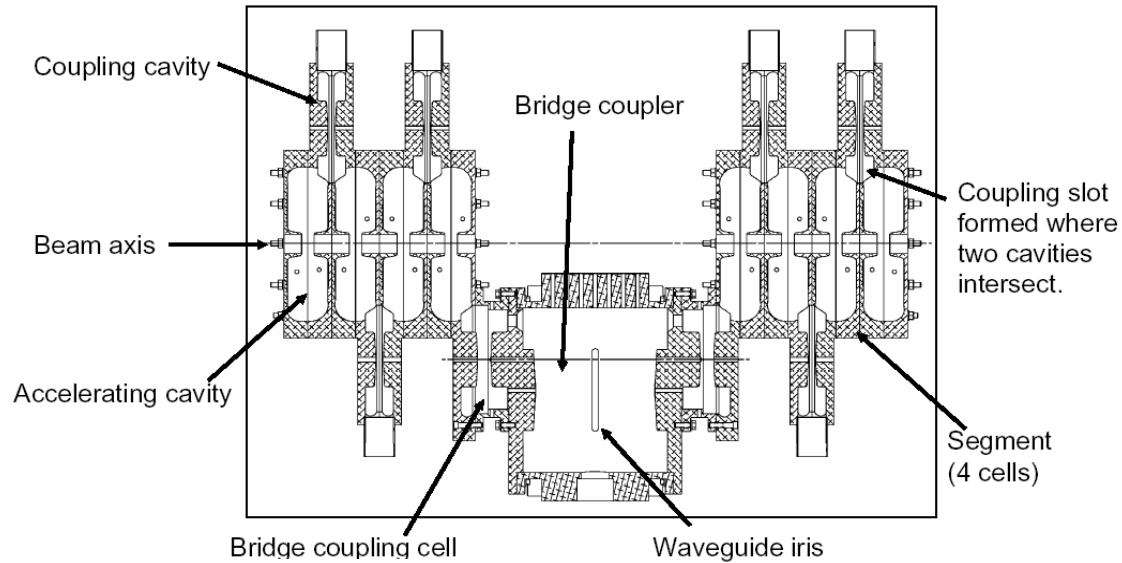


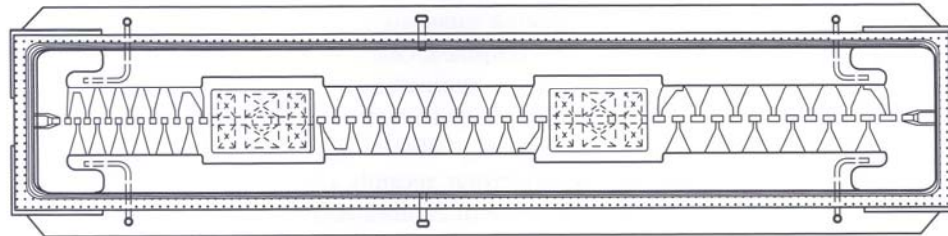
Figure 4.18 Four examples of coupled-cavity linacs are shown as labeled.

Figure 4.12 The side-coupled linac structure as an example of a coupled-cavity linac structure. The cavities on the beam axis are the accelerating cavities. The

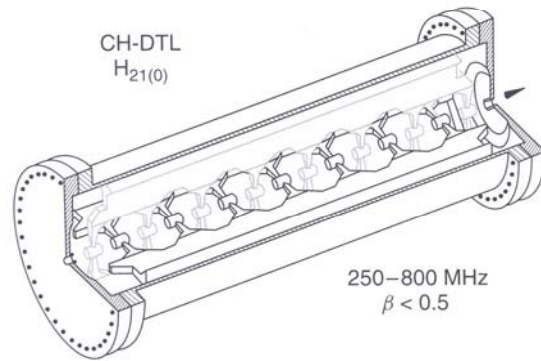
cavities on the side are nominally unexcited and stabilize the accelerating-cavity fields against perturbations from fabrication errors and beam loading.



Other Types of RF Structures



(a)



(b)

Figure 4.6 (a) Interdigital H-mode (IH) structure showing regions with a long sequence of electrodes for acceleration with no transverse focusing lenses separated by triplet quadrupoles to provide transverse focusing (courtesy of U. Ratzinger). (b) Crossbar H-Mode or CH structure (courtesy of U. Ratzinger).



Figure 4.26 350-MHz $\beta = 0.12$ coaxial half-wave resonator with a single loading element (courtesy of J. R. Delaven, Ref. 33).



Other Types of RF Structures

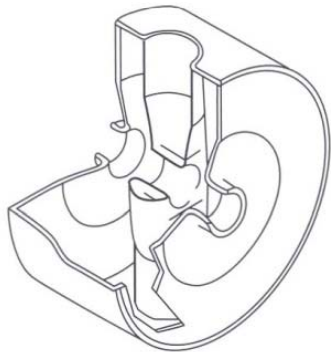
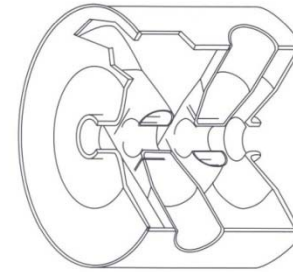
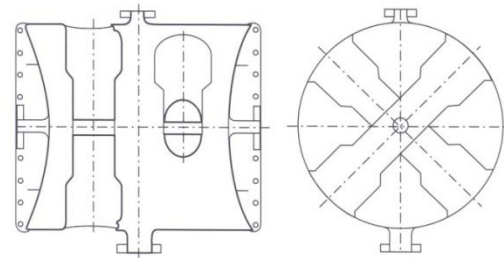


Figure 4.27 850-MHz, $\beta = 0.28$ spoke resonator (courtesy of J. R. Delayen, Ref. 33).



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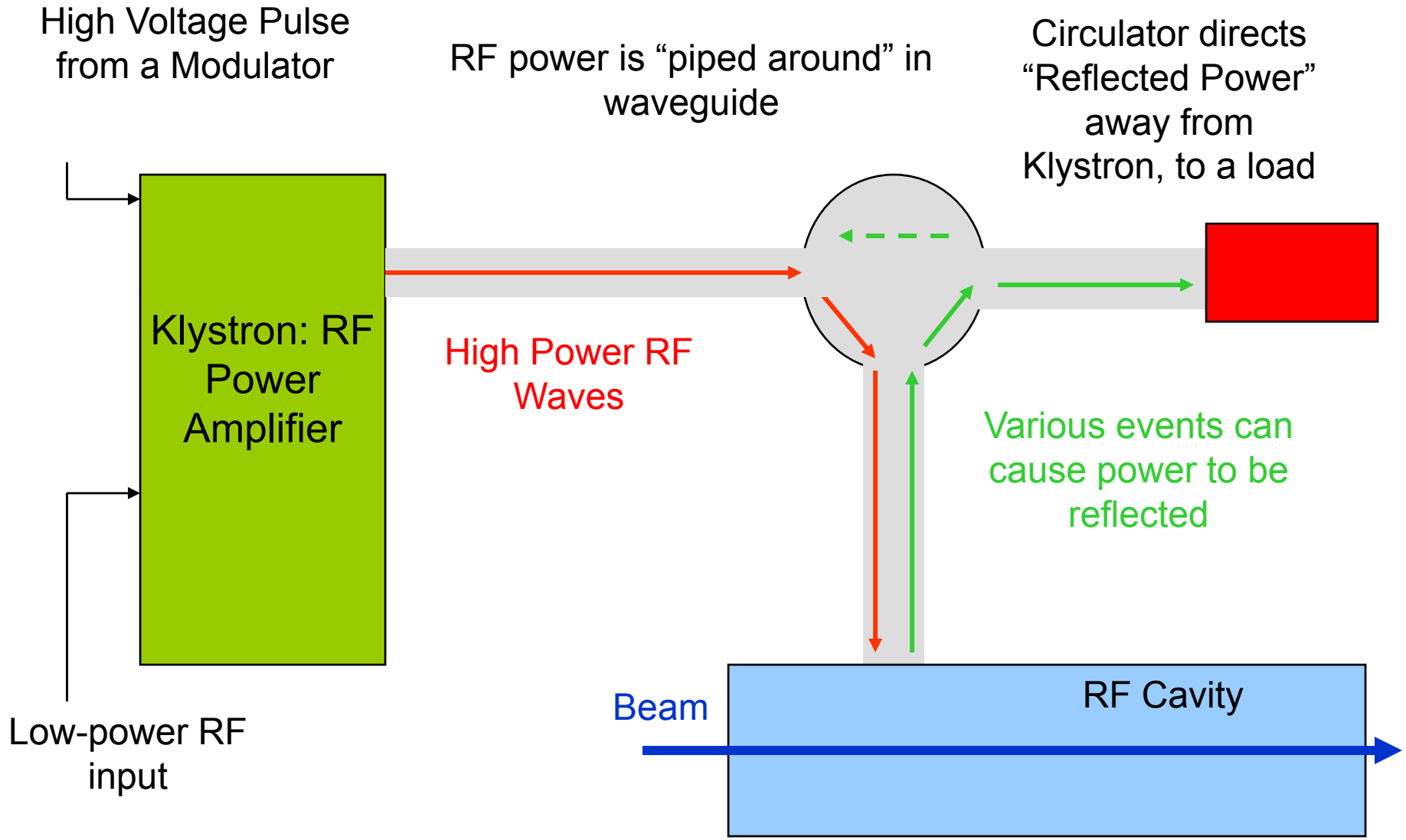


(c)

Figure 4.28 Spoke cavities with multiple loading elements. (a) An 850-MHz, $\beta = 0.28$ double spoke concept. (b) A 345-MHz, $\beta = 0.4$ double spoke concept. (c) A 700-MHz, $\beta = 0.2$ eight-spoke concept (courtesy of J. R. Delayen, Ref. 33).

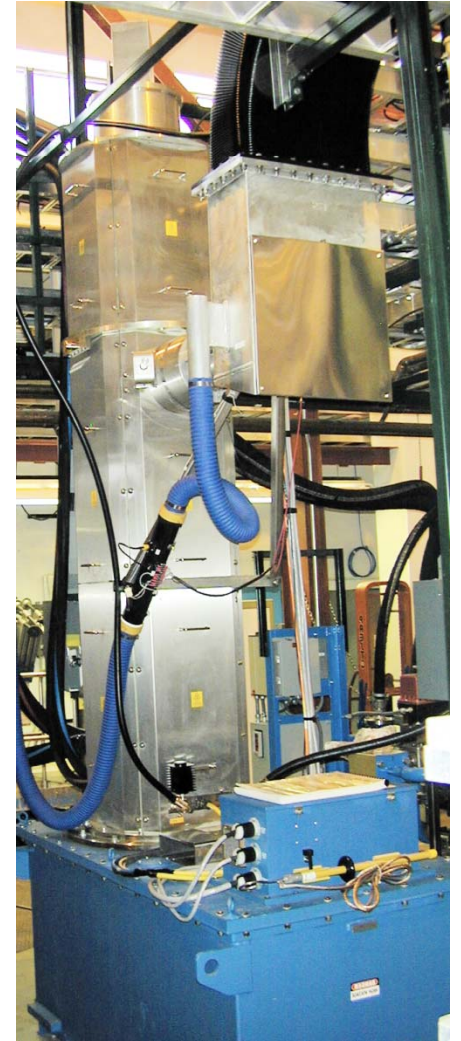
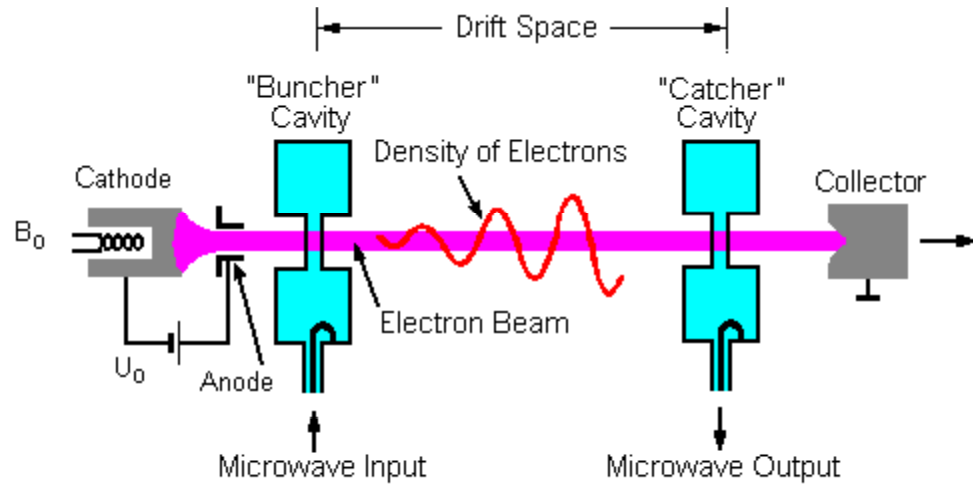


Powering a Linac: Components of a High Power RF System





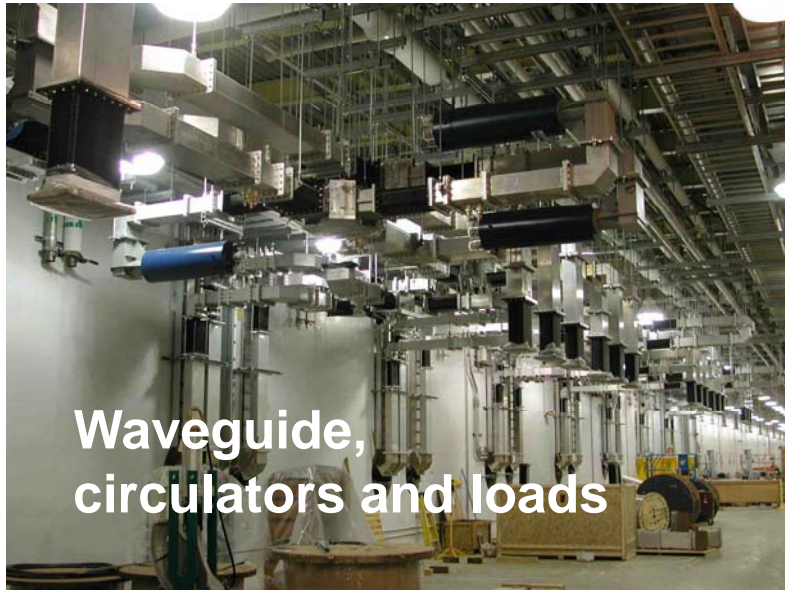
Klystron Operation



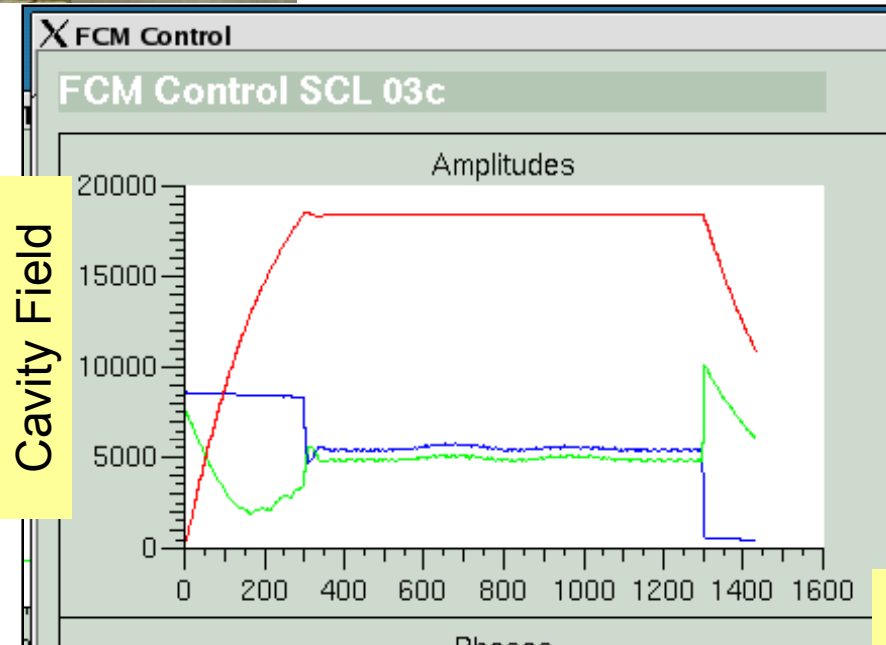
- A Klystron is an amplifier for radio-frequency waves
- A Klystron is a little accelerator/RF cavity system all its own
- Electrons are produced from a gun
- A high-voltage pulse accelerates an electron beam
- Low power RF excites the first cavity, which bunches the electrons
- These electrons “ring the bell” in the next cavity
- A train of electron bunches excites the cavity, generating RF power



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Cavity Field vs. time without beam

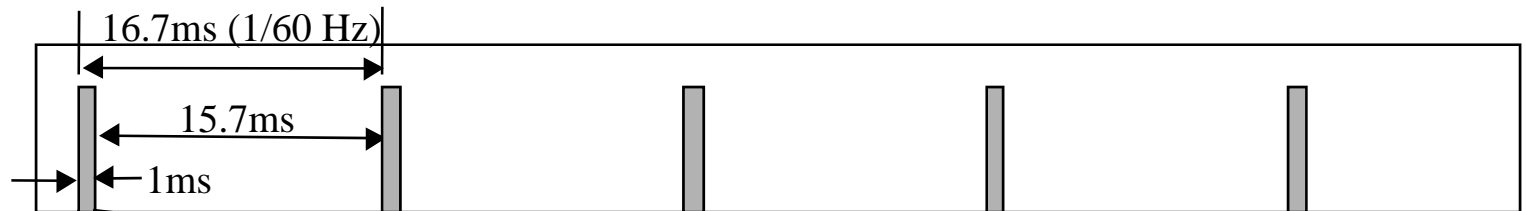




Example Beam Pulse Structure

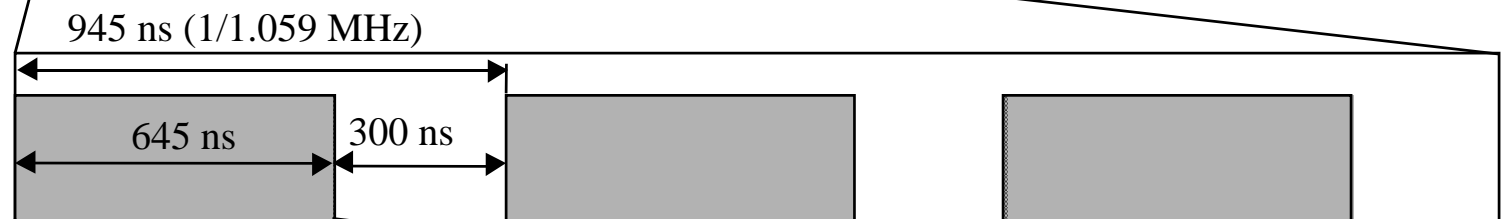
Macro-pulse

Structure
(made by the
High power
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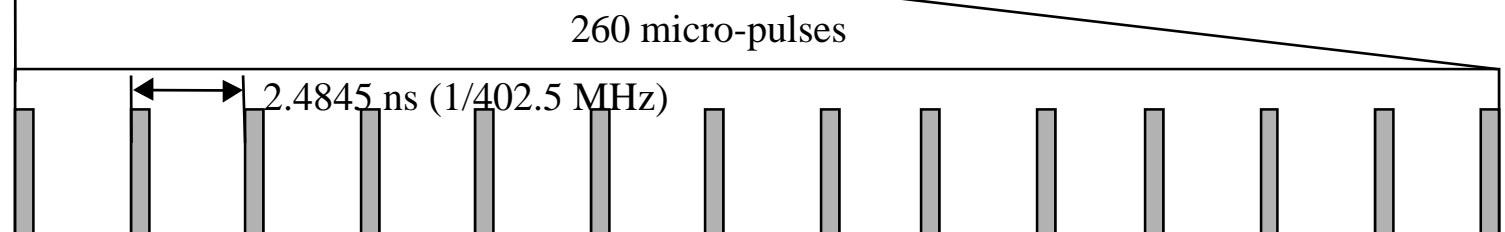
Mini-pulse

Structure
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Micro-pulse

structure
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Example Problem

- Consider a 10-cm-long copper ($1/\sigma = 1.7 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}$) TM_{010} pillbox cavity with resonant frequency of 500 MHz and axial field $E = 1.5 \text{ MV/m}$.
 - a) For a proton with kinetic energy of 100 MeV, calculate the transit-time factor ignoring the effects of the aperture, and assuming that the velocity remains constant in the gap
 - b) If the proton arrives at the center of the gap 45 degrees before the crest, what is the energy gain?
 - c) Calculate the RF power dissipated in the cavity walls
 - d) Suppose this cavity is used to accelerate a 100 mA beam. What is the total RF power that must be provided by the klystron?
 - e) Calculate the shunt impedance, the effective shunt impedance, the shunt impedance per unit length, and the effective shunt impedance per unit length
 - f) Assume the drift tube bore radius is 2 cm. Calculate the transit-time factor, including the aperture effects, for the proton on-axis, and off-axis by 1 cm. Assume that

$$I_0(x) = 1 + x^2 / 4 \quad J_0(x) = 1 - x^2 / 4$$