

MICRON (Miniaturised aCceleRatOrs Network)

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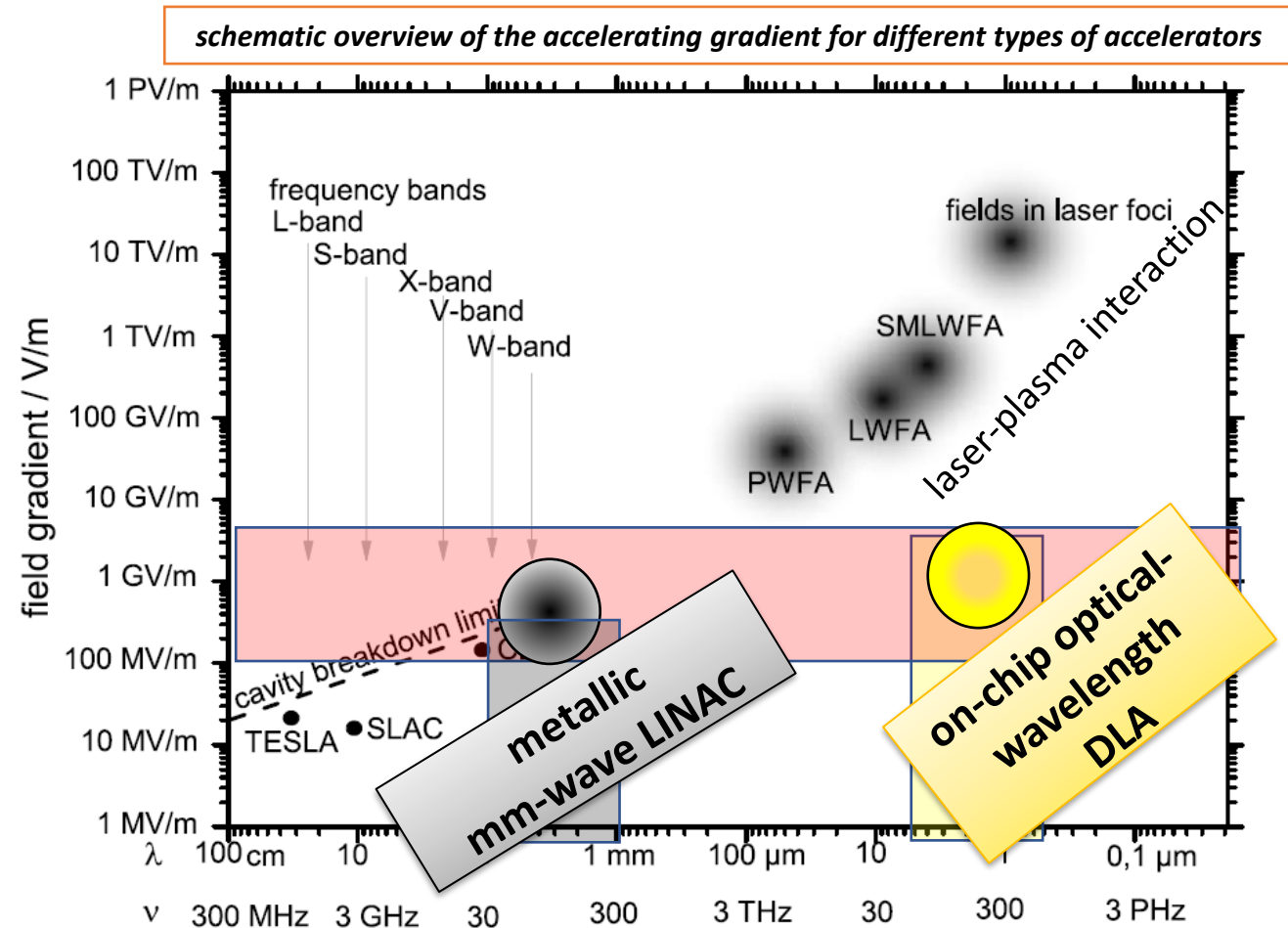
Obiettivi generali

High accelerating gradients enable compact/miniaturized particle accelerators

MAIN GOAL of the PROPOSAL: Miniaturization of Accelerating Structures

1) Feasibility studies supported/driven by fabricability proofs for optical dielectric accelerating structures. (simpler power feeding network, achieving of MeV scale energy, beam quality) as valid alternative/solution with respect to the side-pumped dual pillar phase reset devices.

• 2) Fabrication and “cold” RF test of Ka-band metallic structures: to investigate the processes, materials, technology and welding procedure used to manufacture accelerating components in order to achieve the maximum possible accelerating gradient



Attività 2024

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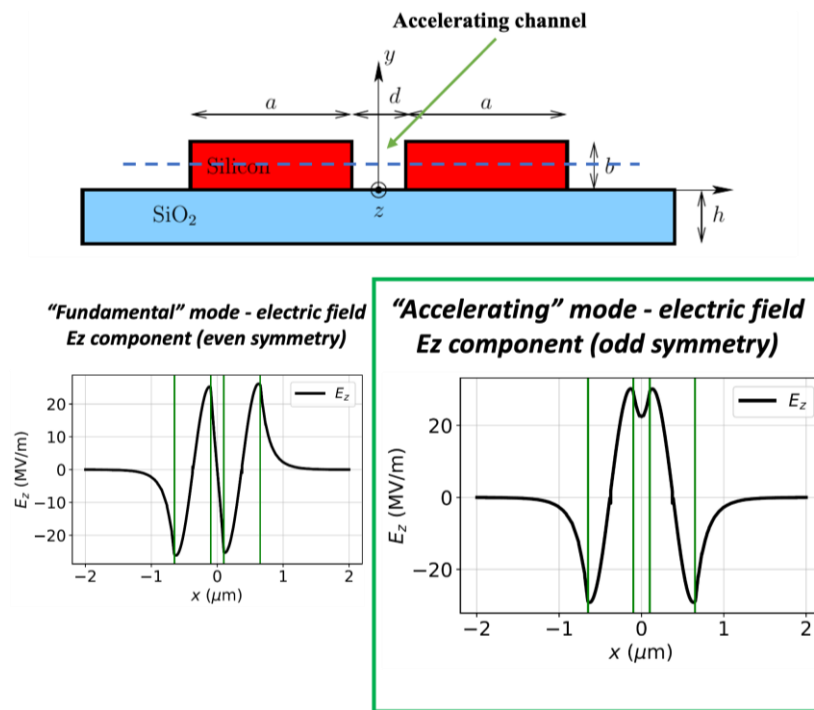
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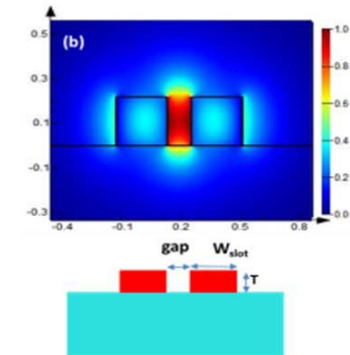
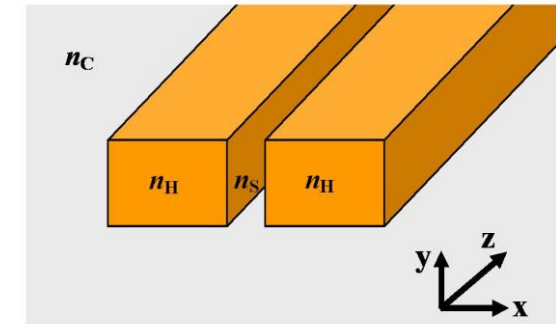
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1) Sub-relativistic to relativistic PhC-based transition design (80%)

- High-index (silicon) strips separated by a small gap
- Fundamental (even) mode, accelerating (odd) mode
- Selective excitation of the accelerating mode
- Tuning of cross section to synchronize sub-relativistic particles



Schematic of a slot waveguide

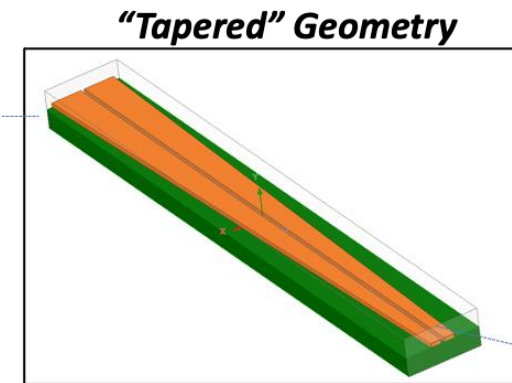
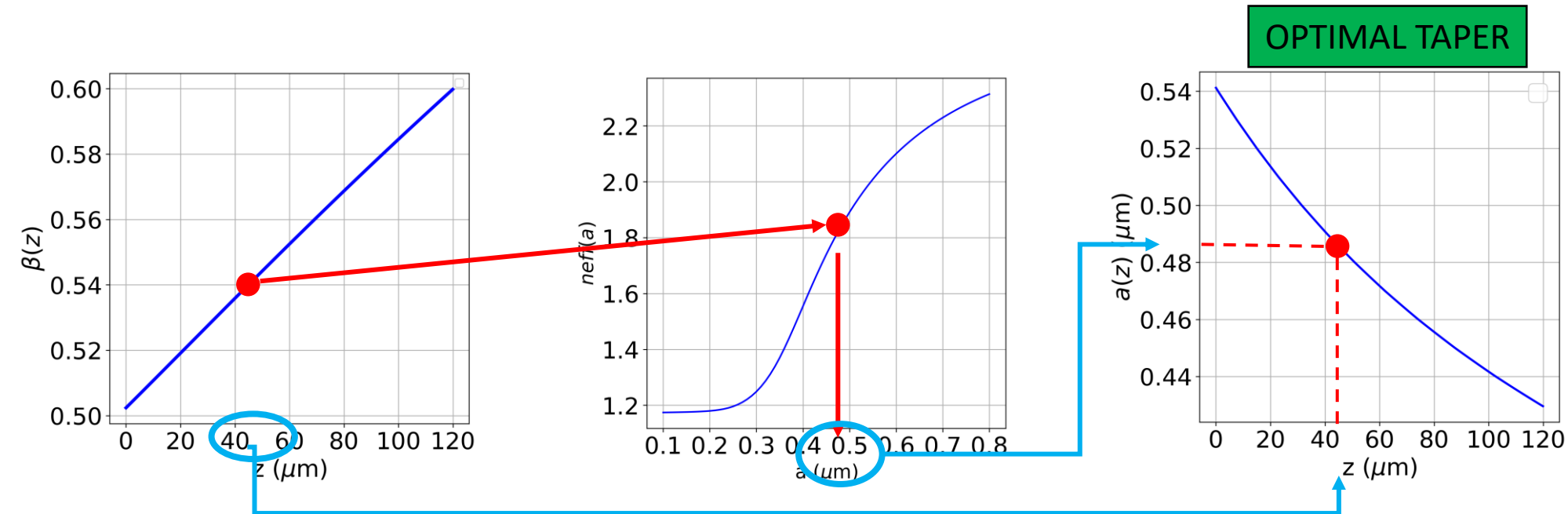


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[Palmeri, R., et al. "Optimization of sub-relativistic co-propagating accelerating structures." *Optics Express* 31.23, 2023.]

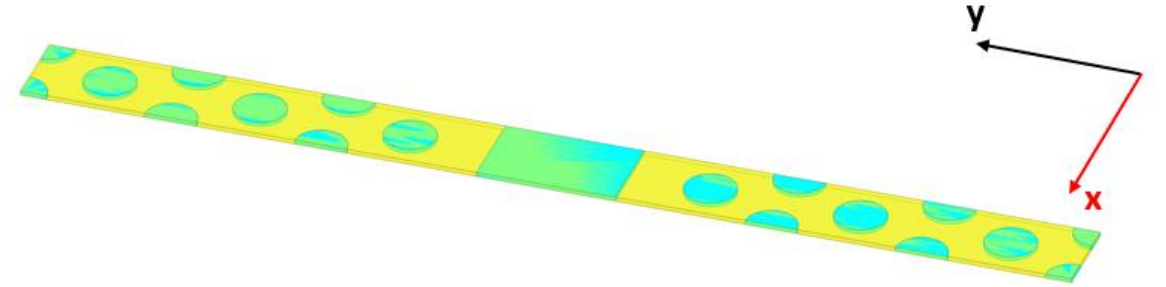
$$E_z(z, t) = E_0 \cos \left[\omega t - \int_0^z k_z(z') dz' \right] \quad \text{Accelerating field}$$

$$\Delta W = q \int_0^L E_z(z, t) dz = q \int_0^L E_0 \cos \left\{ \omega \left[\int_0^z \frac{1}{v_{\text{part}}(z')} dz' - \int_0^z \frac{1}{v_{\text{ph}}(z')} dz' \right] \right\} dz \quad \text{Energy gain}$$

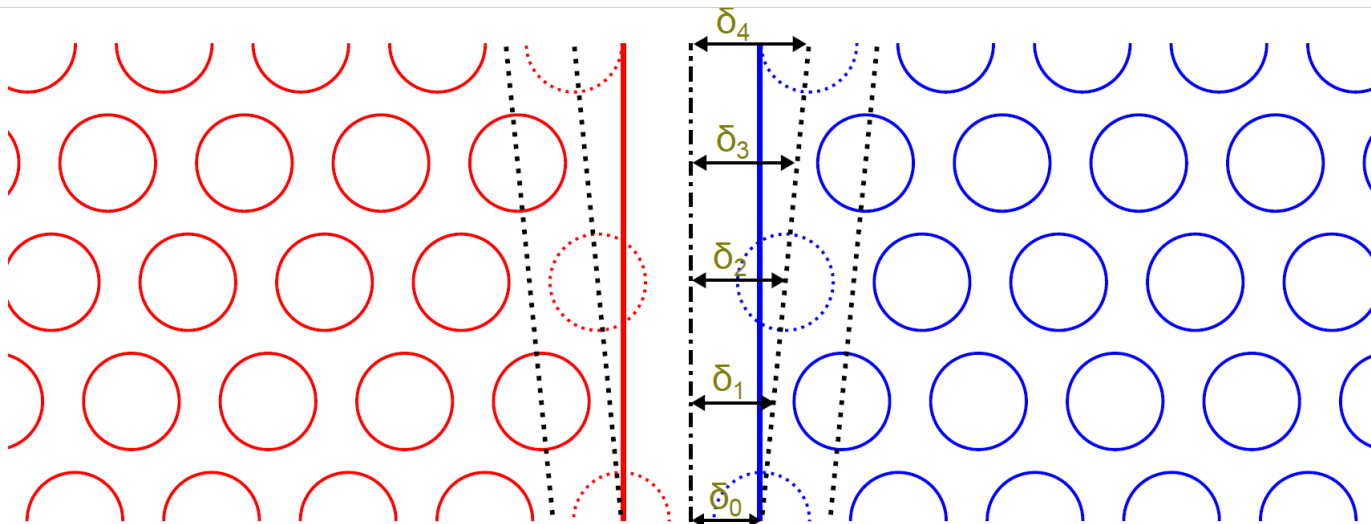


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Tapered 2D PhC waveguide



- By modifying the waveguide width, it is possible to decrease the normalized wave phase velocity of the guided mode.
- For the triangular lattice waveguide, we obtain a normalized wave phase velocity in the interval $0.7 < \beta < 1$.
- The decrease in waveguide width necessary to obtain a lower β is accomplished by a shift of the air rods along the transversal direction.

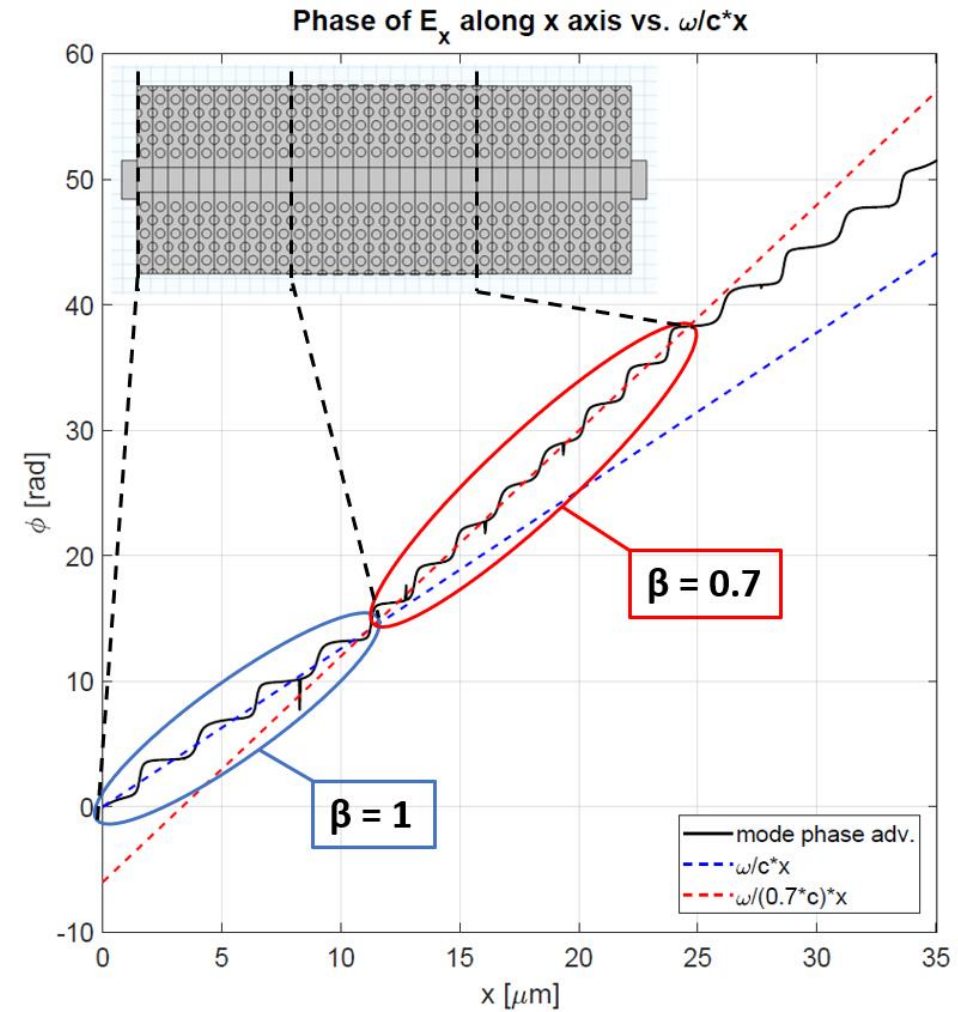
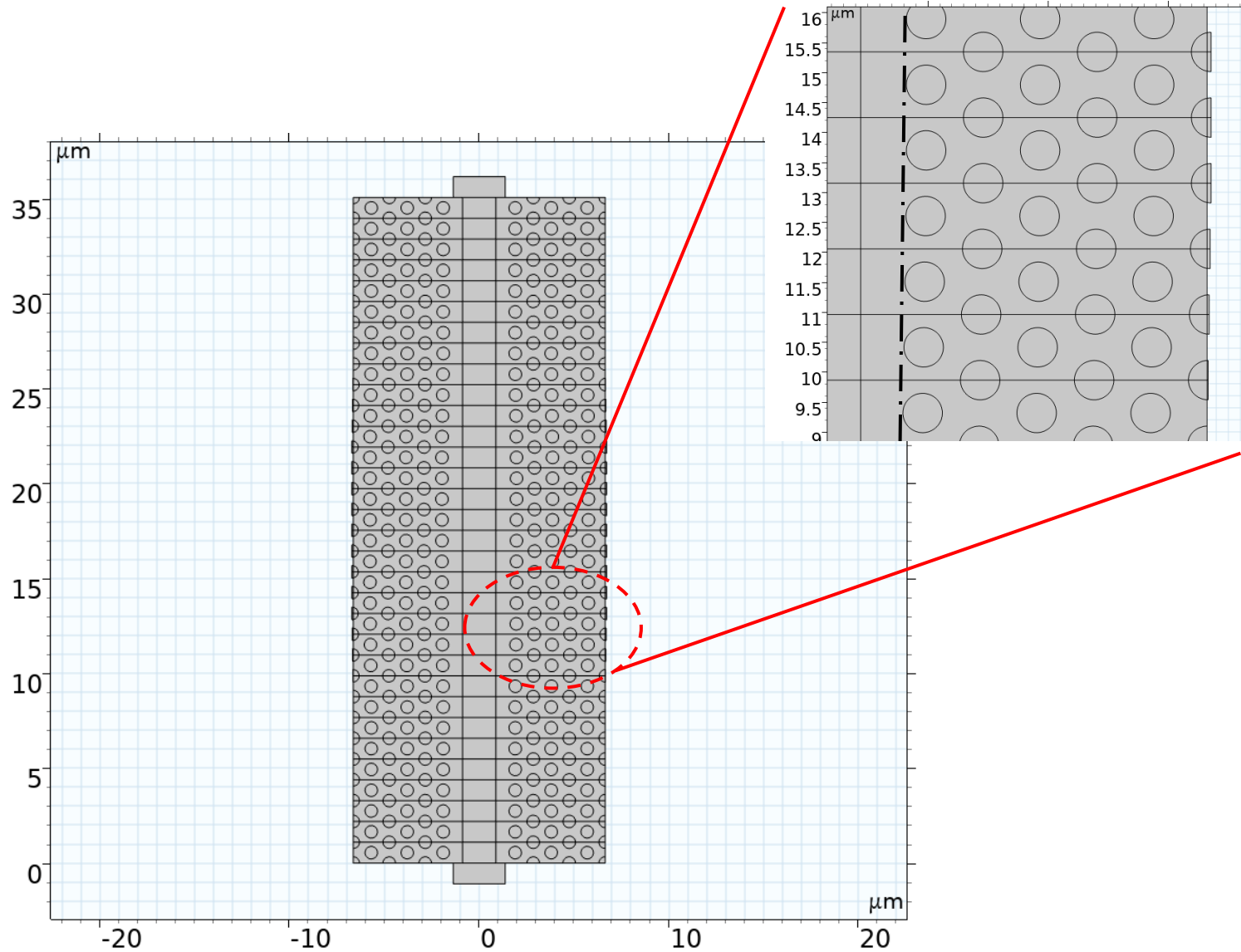


$$\delta_i = \frac{i}{N} \frac{w_p}{2}$$

Where:

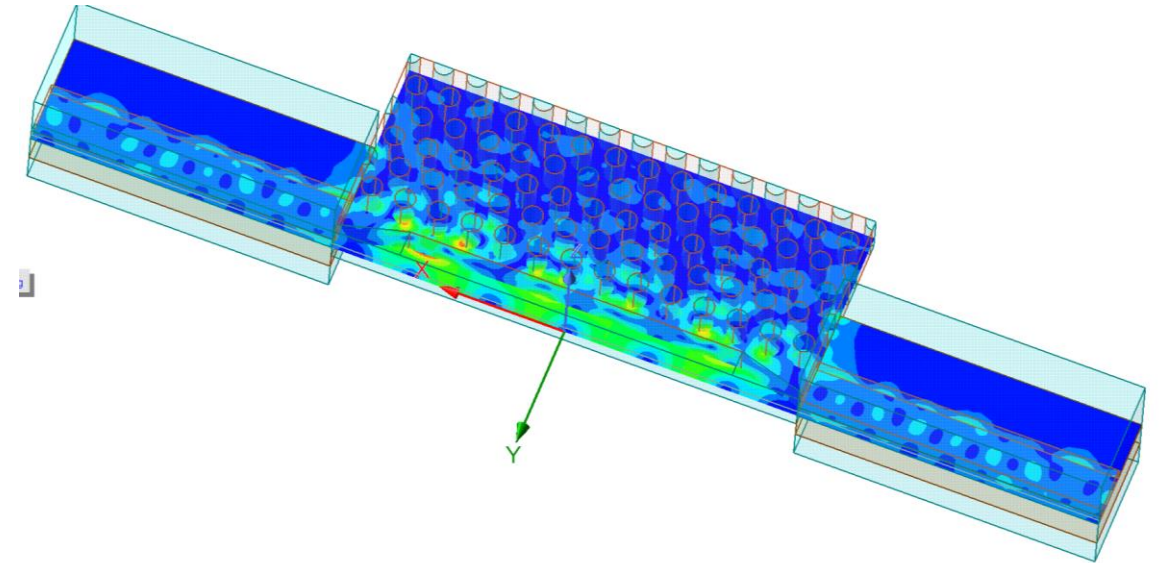
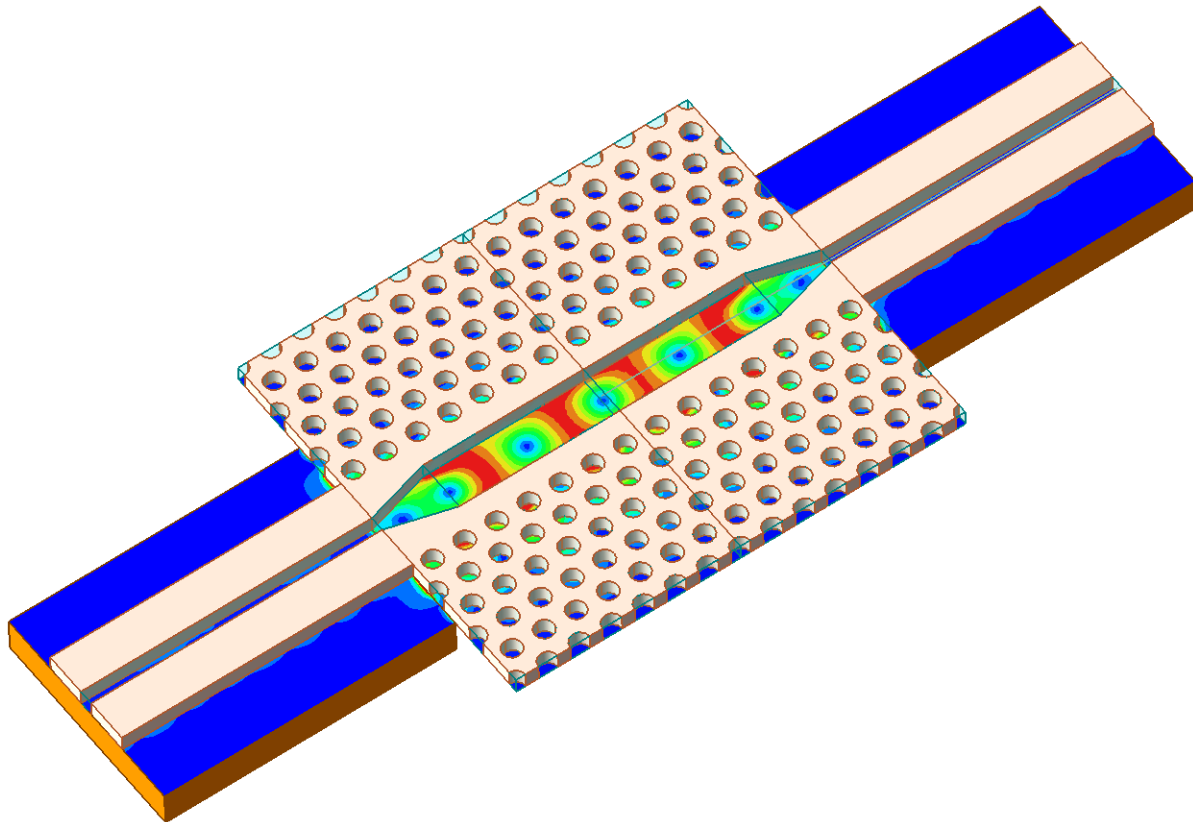
- N is fixed by the taper length
- w_p is the padding width to obtain a specific β

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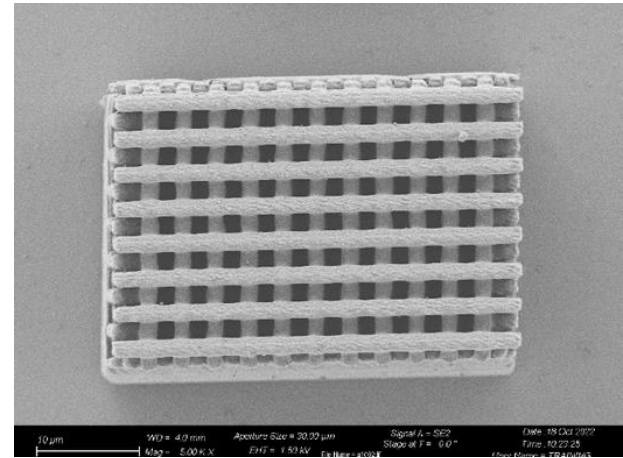
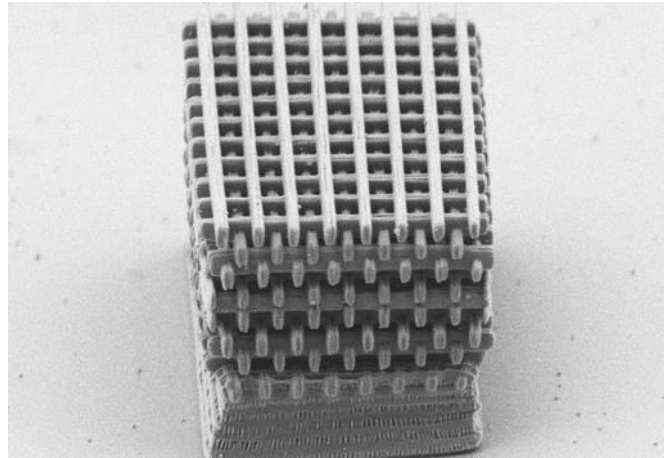
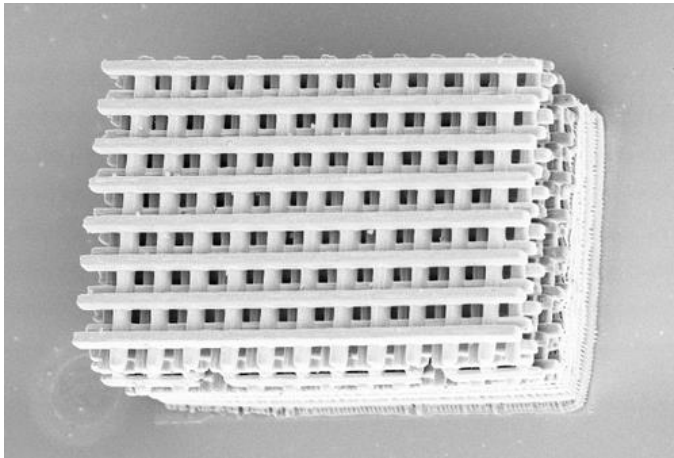
- Sub-relativistic to relativistic ($0.4 < \beta < 1$) slot waveguide to silicon triangular lattice PhC accelerating waveguide.
- Study of particles transverse focusing by employing suitable field components or separate TE modes: **possible Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron (DESY) collaboration for this work.**



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2) Fabrication and SEM characterization on the selected dielectric prototype (80%)

- **March 2024: latest results (woodpile @ $\lambda = 5 \mu\text{m}$)**
- Employed material: FemtoBond resin.
- Direct polymerization of the “final” positive structure followed by a pyrolysis to obtain a dielectric material with the final desired properties.



- **Second half of 2024 work: print a $\lambda = 3.3 \text{ mm}$ structure** ($f_0 \sim 100 \text{ GHz}$) with a lab-made resin possessing alumina-like electrical characteristics (BO-To).

- **Characterization of the $\lambda = 3.3 \text{ mm}$ structure** with standard laboratory equipment:

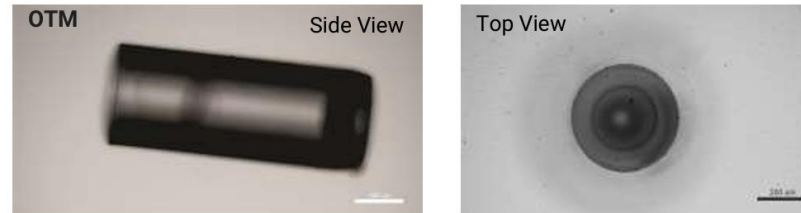
1. Measurement of S-parameters with W-band VNA;
2. Measurement of the on-axis electric field through the bead-pull technique.



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- Possible collaborations with other research institutes with the objective to print different prototypes at the wavelengths of interest ($\lambda = 2 \mu\text{m}$ or $5 \mu\text{m}$).
- **CANDLE Synchrotron Research Institute (Yerevan, Armenia):** two-photon polymerization technique.

Tube with patterned inner surface

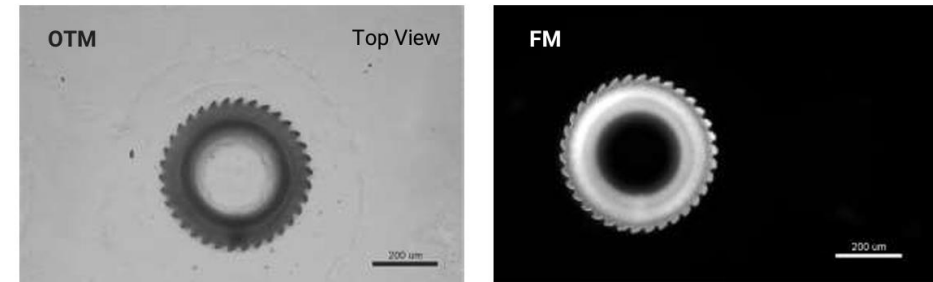


Fabrication parameters:

Wavelength: 800 nm
Pulse Duration: 80 fs
 $v = 300 \mu\text{m/s}$
 $P = 131.25 \text{ mW}$

External Diameter: 415 μm
Length of the tube: 1 mm
Fabrication Duration: about 40 min

Saw-like structures

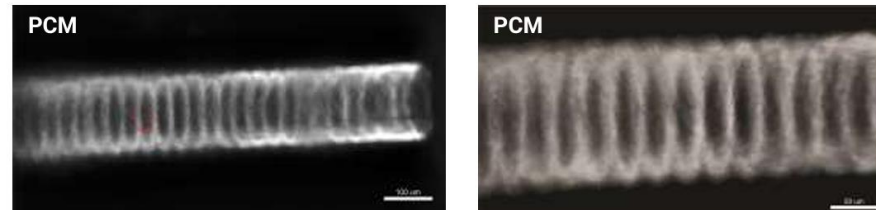


Fabrication parameters:

Wavelength: 800 nm
Pulse Duration: 80 fs
 $v = 600 \mu\text{m/s}$
 $P = 105 \text{ mW}$

Outside Diameter: 450 μm
Height: 300 μm

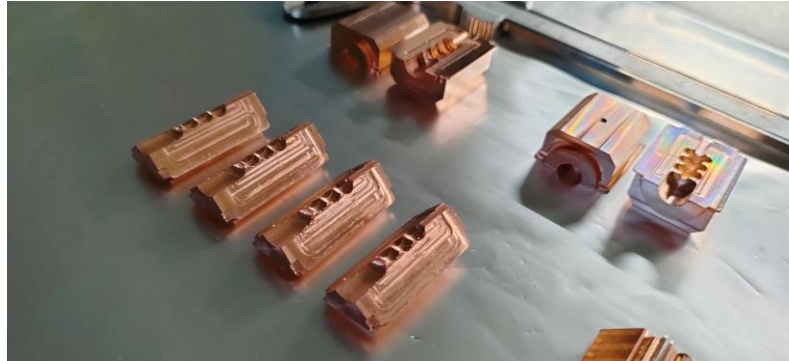
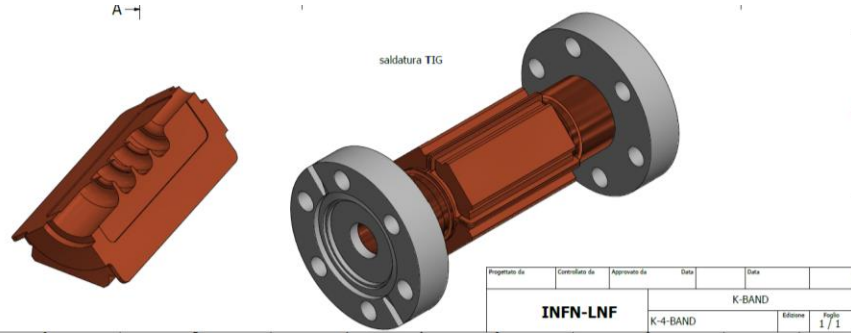
Patterned Helical Structure: period of the helix is 30 μm



- **CNR-IMM (Catania).**

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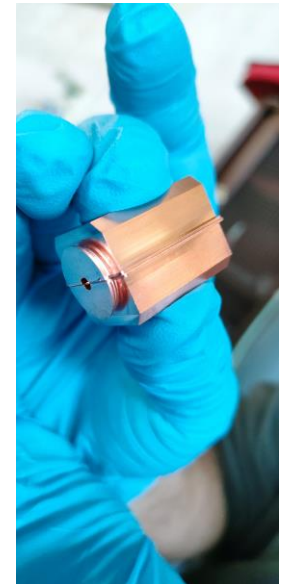
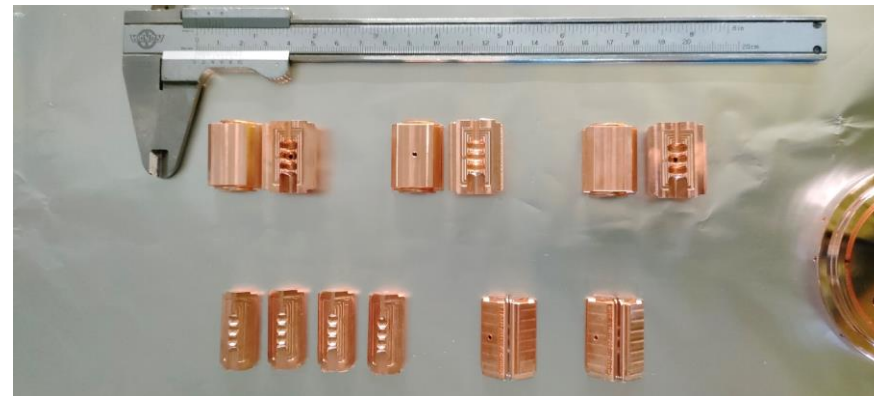
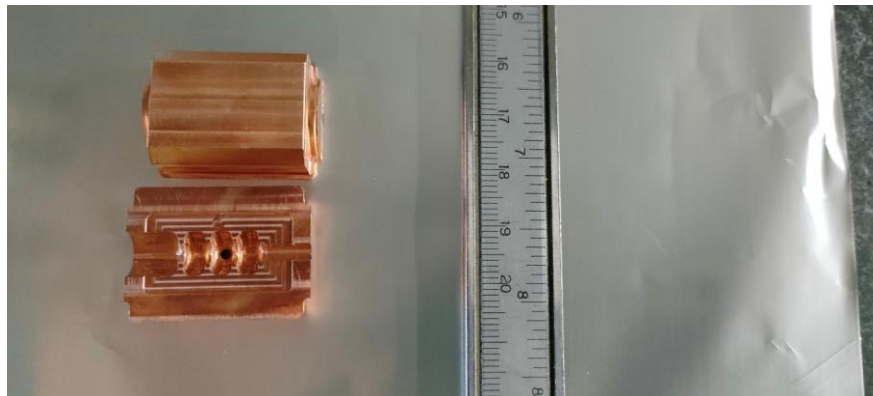


Parameter	Value
Resonant frequency, f [GHz]	35.982
Quality factor Q	6000
Shunt impedance [M Ω /m]	160
H_{\max} [MA/m]	0.6
E_{\max} [MV/m]	400
Power loss [MW]	0.75
a [mm]	2
a/λ	0.24
t [mm]	0.635
Iris ellipticity	1.38
Accelerating Gradient (MV/m)	150 MV/m
Phase advance per cell (deg)	180

- All cavity sectors were manufactured by using a CNC 5-axis milling machine.
- Machining tool is crucial:
 - Tungsten-carbide tool \rightarrow Tolerance = $\pm 10 \mu\text{m}$; Roughness with $R_a = 1.6 \mu\text{m}$.
 - Diamond tool with spherical radius $< 1 \mu\text{m}$ \rightarrow Tolerance = $\pm 2 \mu\text{m}$; Roughness with $R_a < 80\text{nm}$.

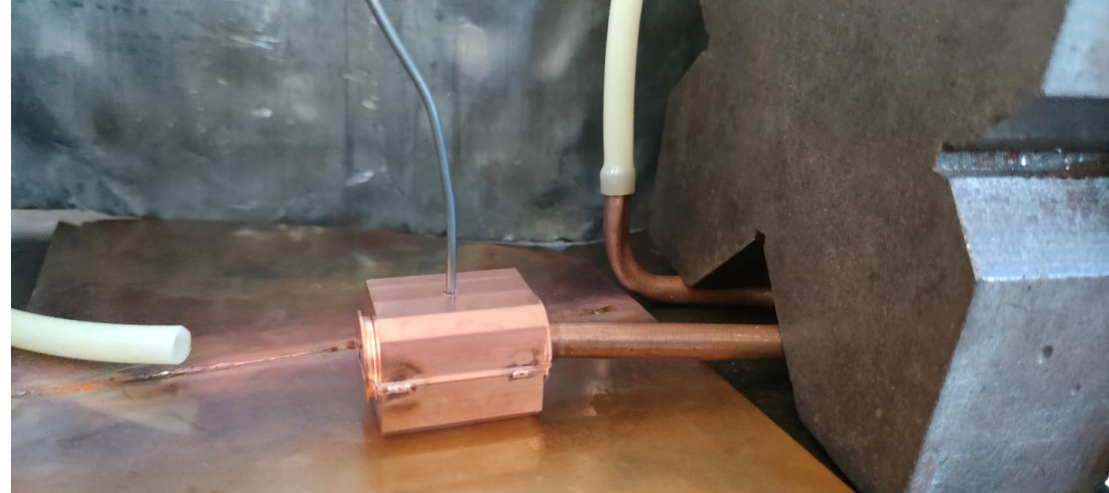
multi-cell cavity with mode launcher (end of 2024)

Machined sectors for the 2-halves Cavities

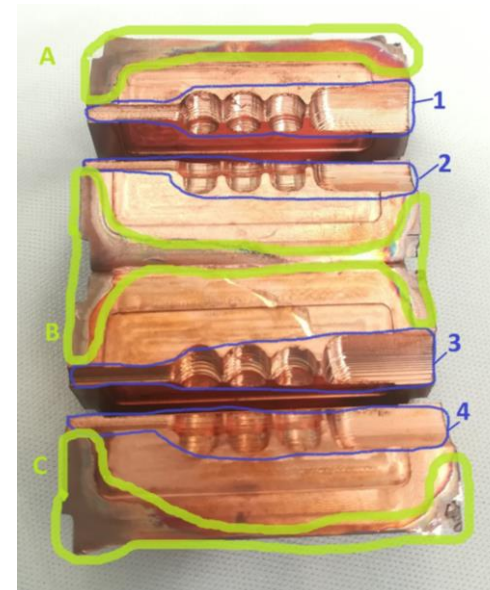


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1. **Successful execution of each weld bead/seam in order to assure vacuum tightness of the cavity.**
2. **The cleanliness of the inside surfaces of the cavities:** visual inspection for absence of oxidation after cutting the cavity samples;
3. **The temperature of the cavity surfaces always below the annealing one (mechanical properties significantly change after heating above 590 °C), in order to keep the hardness of the copper.**

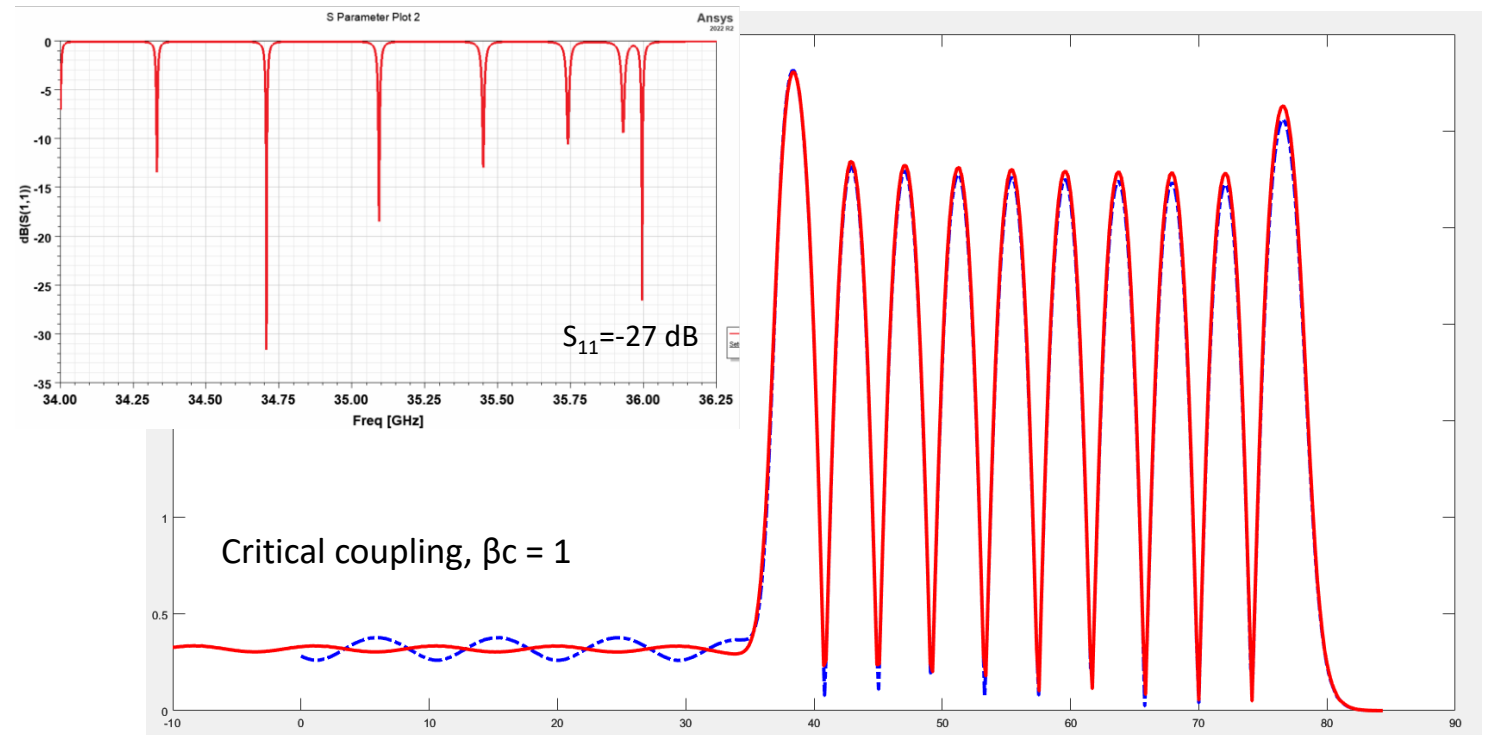
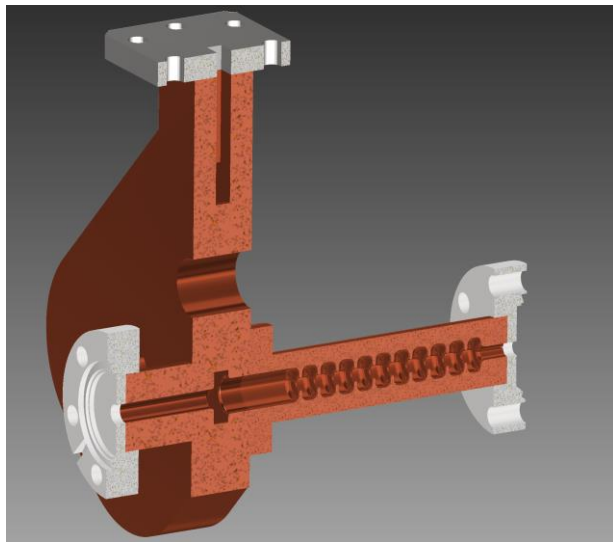


- The appearance of the cavity is shiny and there are **no traces of oxidation in the area where there was direct flushing of argon.**
- The central area where argon was flowing (**1, 2, 3 and 4**), the appearance remains bright. At a visual analysis, there are no traces of oxidation.
- The areas closest to the weld seam (**A, B, C**) show instead the presence of oxide, but it is to be considered that in those areas due to the direct contact between the surfaces to be welded, the presence of inert gas was absent and therefore such result was expected.



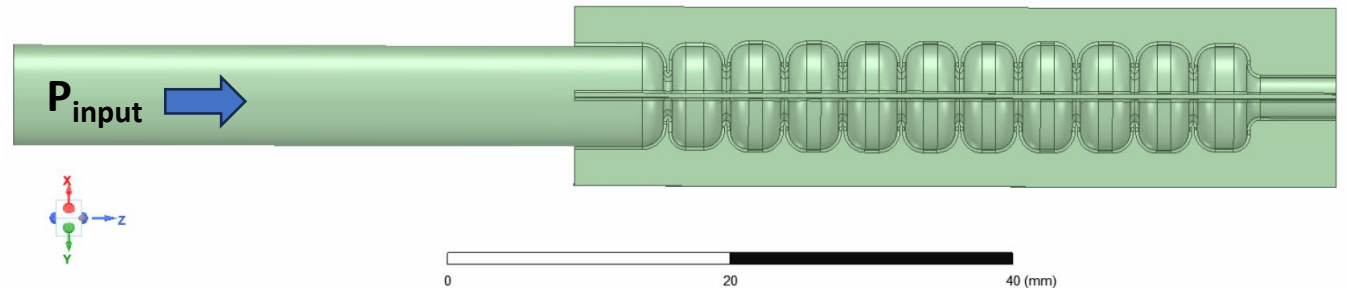
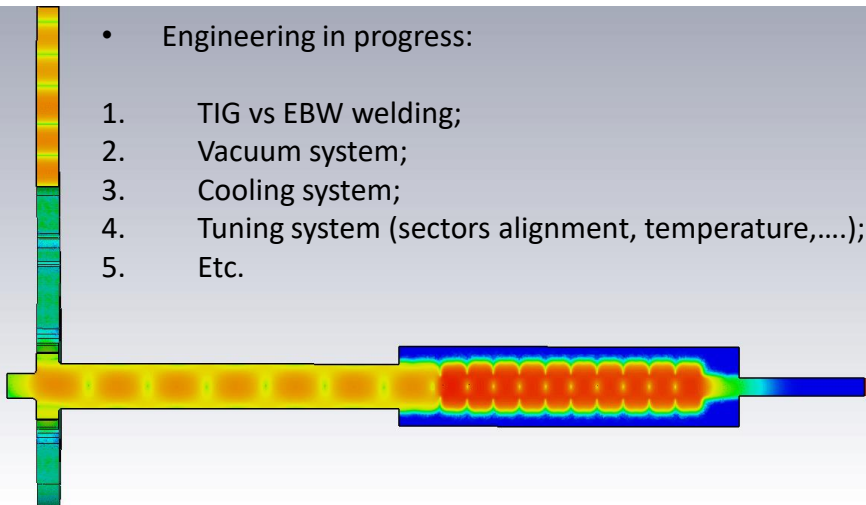
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- **4-port mode launcher with multi-cell 4-quadrant cavity** realization and characterization (S-parameters, bead-pull for E-field measurement, tuning, etc).



• Engineering in progress:

1. TIG vs EBW welding;
2. Vacuum system;
3. Cooling system;
4. Tuning system (sectors alignment, temperature,...);
5. Etc.



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