

**EVOLUTION OF THE SUPERCONDUCTING LINAC PROGRAM AT STANFORD**

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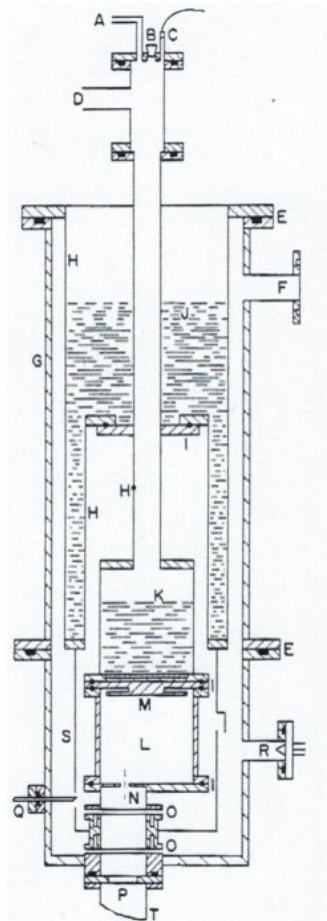
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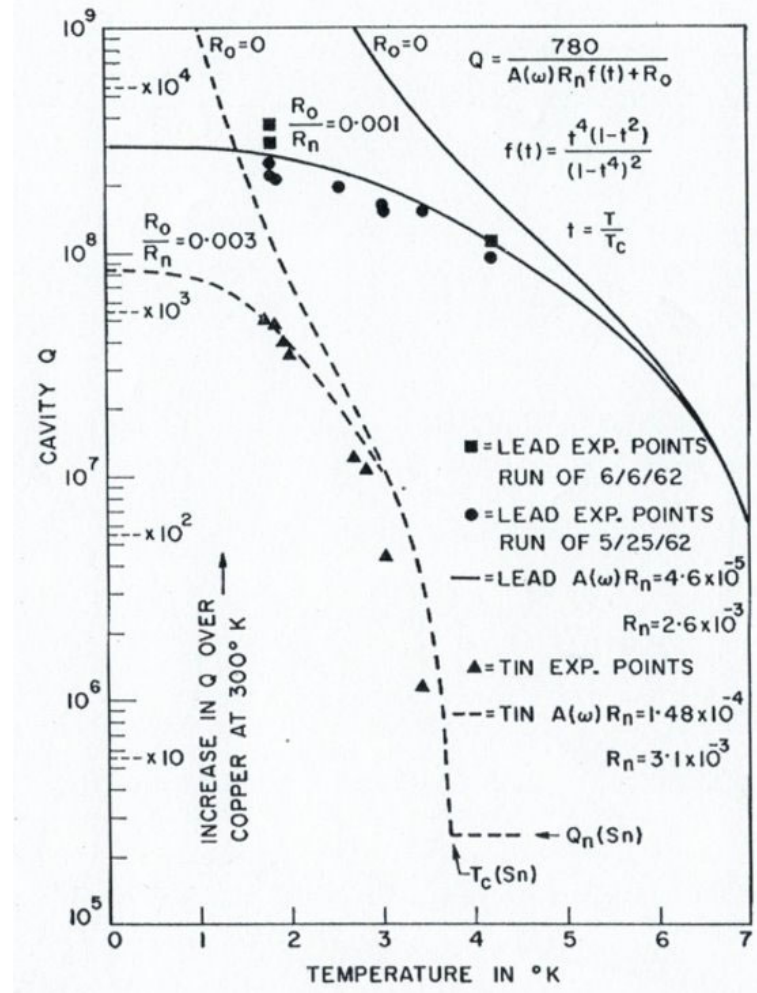
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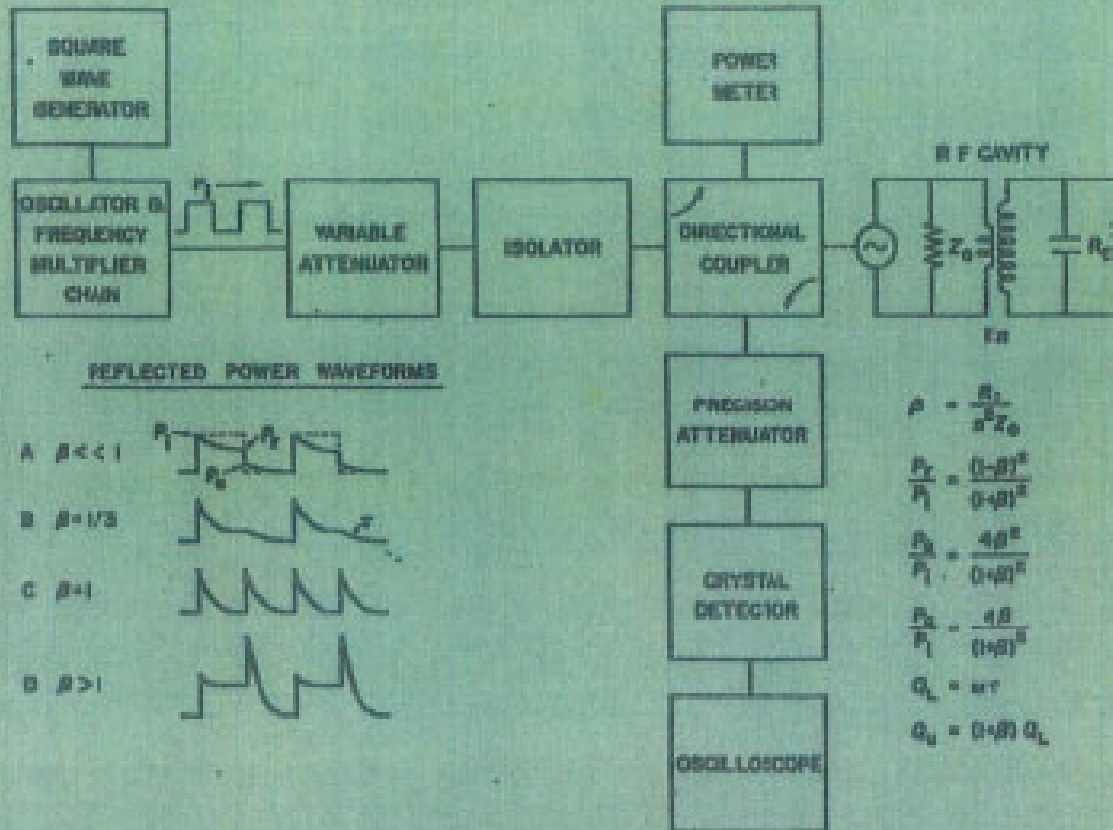
## Cryostat and Cavity



## Cavity Q Data



## MICROWAVE CIRCUIT FOR DECREMENT METHOD



# IMPACT OF 1962 EXPERIMENT

## LOW TEMPERATURE PHYSICS

Cavity mode enabled BCS Study

Broke Q value barrier, but ...

$$Q(6\text{ K}) = 3 \times 10^7$$

$$Q(3\text{ K}) = 3 \times 10^8$$

Validate BCS ?

$$\text{Required } Q = 3 \times 10^9$$

## ACCELERATOR PHYSICS

Cavity mode optimized plating

Broke Q barrier, but ...

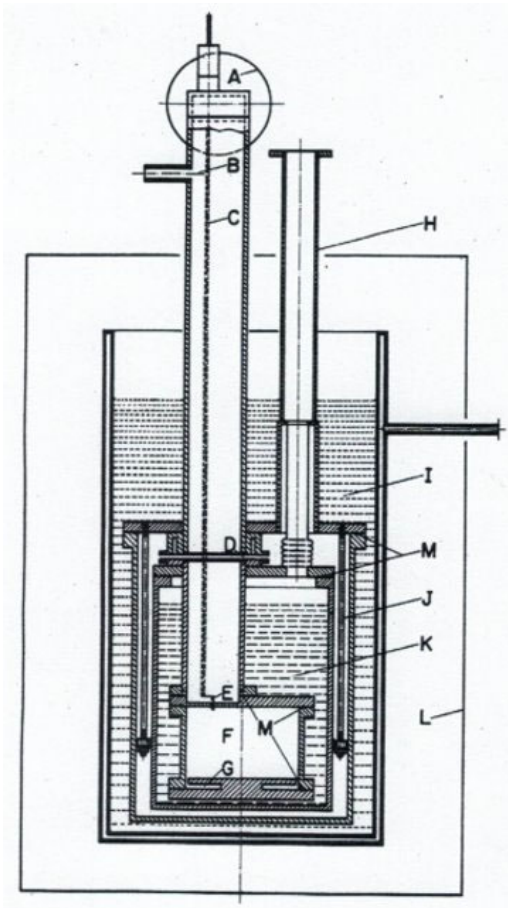
$$\text{Duty Factor } 3 \times 10^3$$

$$\text{Carnot Eff. } \times 10^2$$

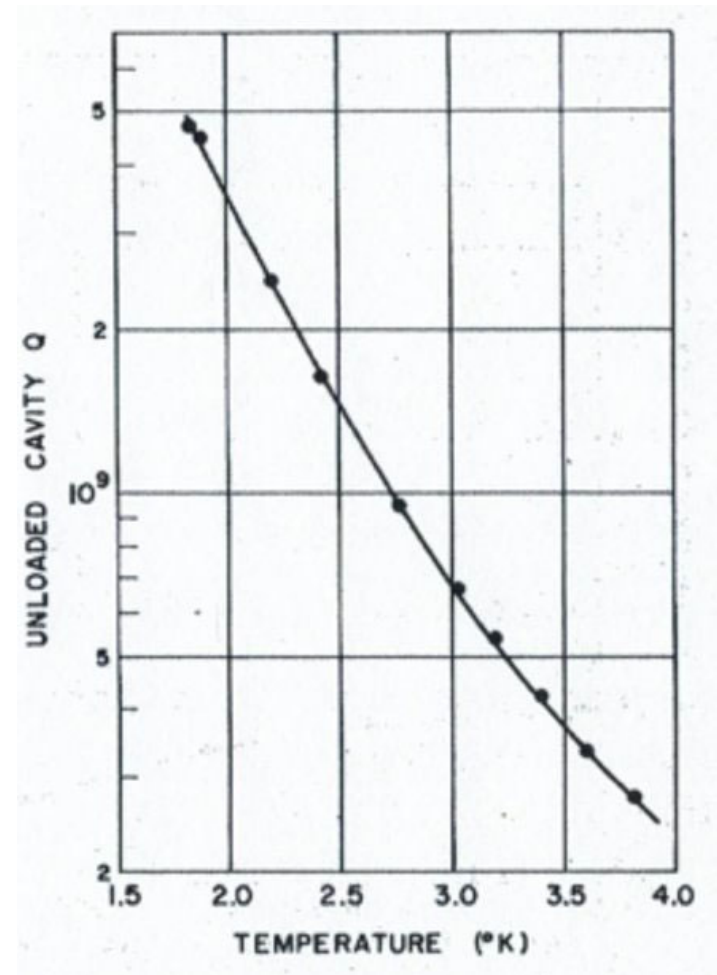
$$P(\text{rf}) = P(\text{refrigerator}) ?$$

$$\text{Required } Q = 3 \times 10^9$$

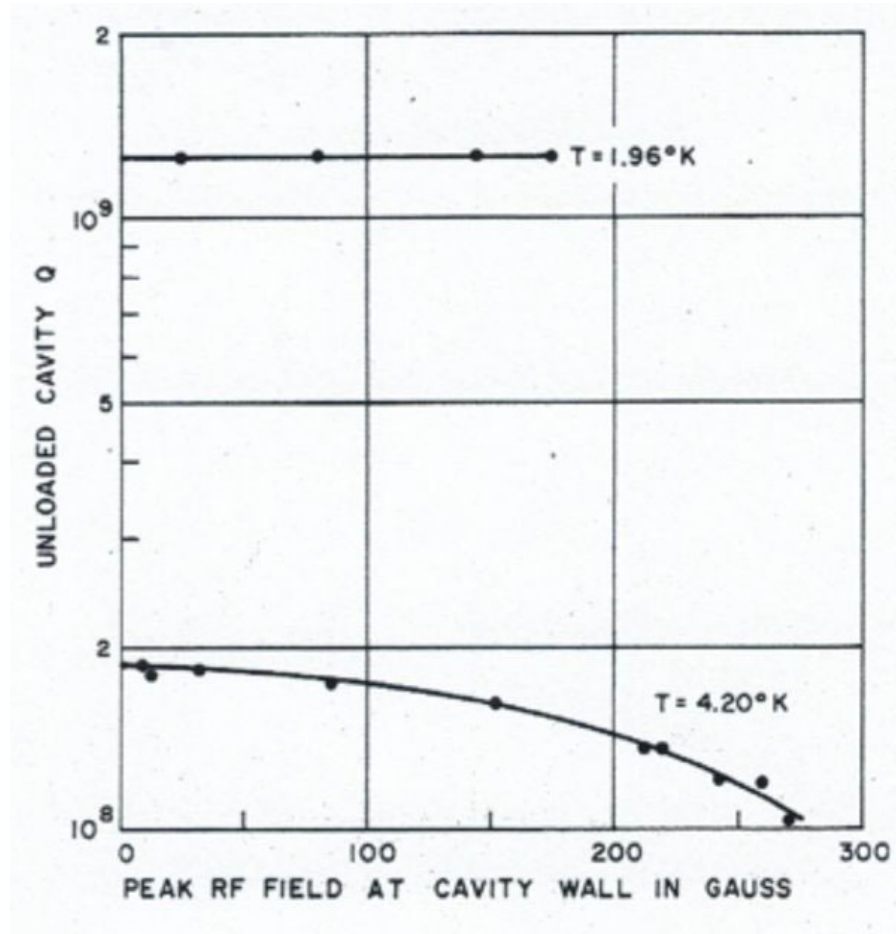
## CRYOSTAT AND CAVITY



## CAVITY Q DATA



## CAVITY Q VERSUS PEAK RF MAGNETIC FIELD



# IMPACT OF 1964 EXPERIMENT

## LOW TEMPERATURE PHYSICS

Immersion in SF Helium Possible

SF Helium Justified

Q Approaches BCS Requirement

$H(\text{rf}) = 200 \text{ Oe}$  is 25% of  $H_c$

## ACCELERATOR PHYSICS

Immersion in SF Helium Possible

SF Helium Justified

Q Approaches CW Requirement

$H(\text{rf}) = 200 \text{ Oe}$  Implies 3.7 MeV/m

# WHEN PLOWING VIRGIN SOIL, SURVEY TERRAIN

## **SCHWETTMAN: LINAC OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Improve Beam Energy Resolution by 100 x**

CW Operation: reduced rf & current fluctuations

SF Helium: access to large thermal reservoir

SW Structure: access to large EM stored energy

**Opportunity for Dynamic Stabilization**

**Opportunity for Low Emittance Injector**

### **Improve Average Beam Current by 10 x**

## **WILSON & WIJK: RACETRACK MICROTRON**

**RT Microtron provides large beam acceptance**

**RT Microtron places less demand on gradient**



# Turneaure Thesis (1965 – 1967)

**Make detailed calculation of the BCS surface Impedance and compare to precise rf cavity measurements**

- Theory was extended to rf fields by Mattis & Bardeen. The rf surface impedance was expressed as a quadruple integral that Turneaure reduced to a set of double integrals that could be numerically integrated using computers of that epoch

**Experimentally determine the rf critical field of a Type 1 superconductor and compare to its dc critical field**

- Turneaure adroitly shifted the experimental focus to superconducting tin which has a lower transition temperature and a lower critical field. He then plated the cavity cylindrical wall and one end plate with lead, plating only one end plate with tin

## EXPERIMENTAL SURFACE RESISTANCE VERSUS BCS SURFACE RESISTANCE FOR LEAD AT 11.2 GHz

### Parameters of theory

(known from other measurements)

Temperature dependent energy gap

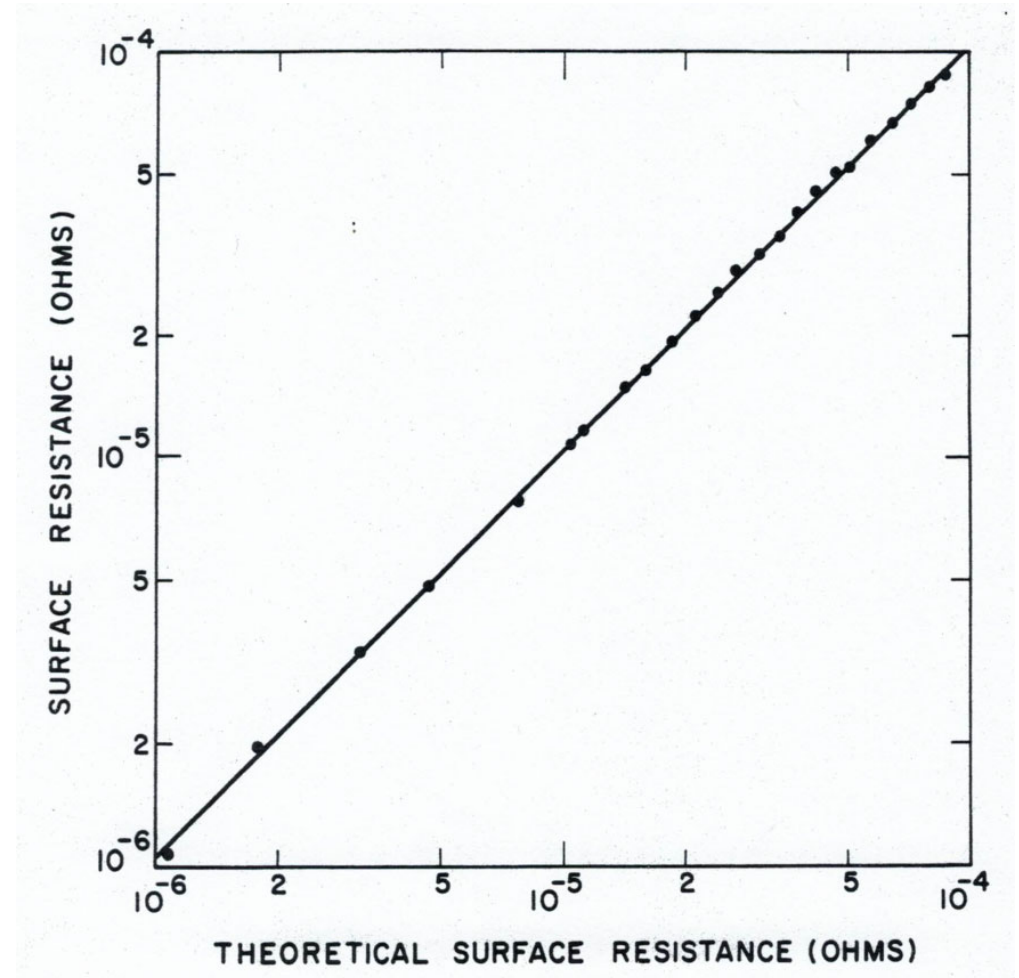
London penetration depth

Fermi velocity

Electron mean free path

Diffuse surface scattering

Temperature & frequency

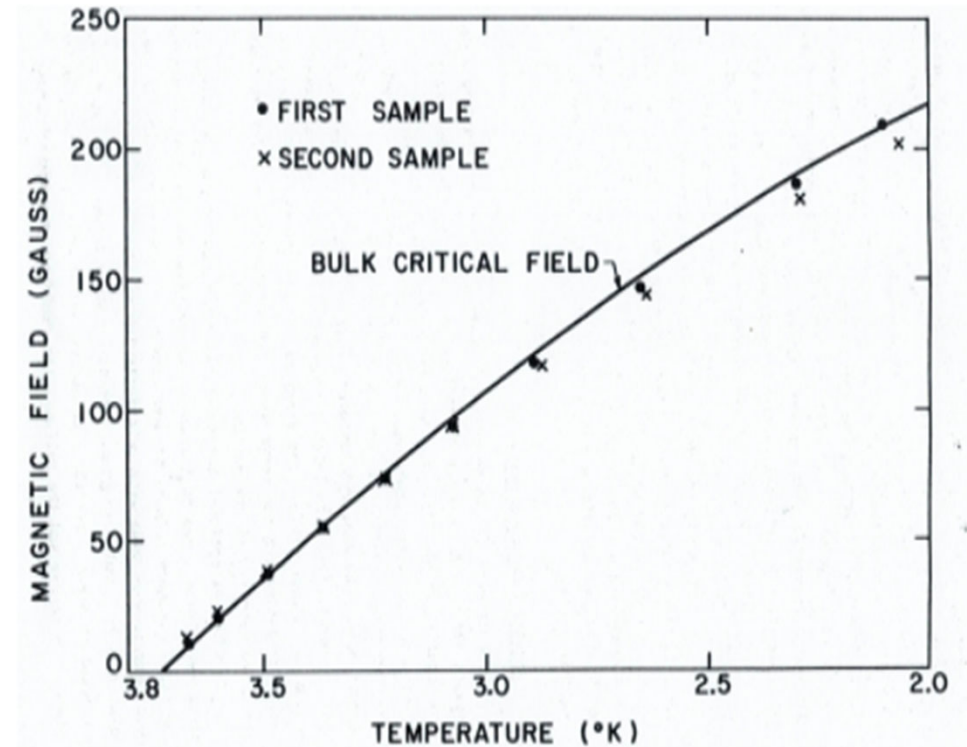


## RF CRITICAL MAGNETIC FIELD VERSUS DC CRITICAL MAGNETIC FIELD FOR TIN AT S-BAND

### Experiment accounted for:

Surface temperature rise due to rf  
dissipation

Differences between electroplated tin  
and bulk



## ACCELERATOR PROGRAM

(Targeting 1965 Accelerator Conference in Frascati)

### **TM<sub>010</sub> – Mode Tests**

Gradient 3.7 MeV/m

$$Q = 2.5 \times 10^8$$

**Submitted Paper**

### **Beam Acceleration Test**

Assemble Simple Beamline

Build Horizontal Cryostat

Build Multicell Structure

**?? Accelerate Electrons ??**

### **Racetrack Microtron**

Energy: 200 MeV

Duty Factor: 100 %

Resolution: 0.1 %

**Submitted Paper**

## **RESPONSE TO FIRST ACCELERATION OF ELECTRONS**

High Level discussions between Stanford physics department and the ONR

### **CONTEXT OF DISCUSSION**

Hofstadter wanted a 2 GeV linac with improved duty factor

The Office of Naval Research wanted to support their 1961 Nobel Prize winner

Both labored under the spectre of the Mansfield Amendment

## NEGOTIATED PLAN

### **Low Temperature Tech**

S F Helium Refrigerator  
Distributed Cryogenics  
SRF Development

### **Linac Technology**

Low Emittance Beams  
High Average Current  
Beam Recirculation

### **High Energy Facilities**

Tunnel  
End Station  
2 GeV Spectrometer

# WHEN EMBARKING ON A TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE

**Attenuate noise from Doubting Thomases**

**Keep Vision Focused on what Physics will allow**

**Assemble a brilliant Team and reward them Handsomely**

## SUPERFLUID HELIUM REFRIGERATOR

**Central Problem: The low vapor pressure of Superfluid Helium.**

Cold compression technology not well developed in 1966.

Warm compression imposes a huge heat exchanger challenge

**Given technical and financial constraints:**

RFP in June, 1966 for a 300 Watt, 1.85 K helium refrigerator.

**Contract with Arthur D. Little, inc. in September 1966.**

Collins liquefier converted to 10 Watt superfluid helium refrigerator.

**Installation and acceptance test at Stanford in 1968-1969.**



## DISTRIBUTED CRYOGENIC SYSTEM

**Design moved forward with the arrival of Michael McAshan in September, 1967.**

Oversight of refrigerator construction, site preparations, and acceptance tests.

Design of suitable liquid/vapor separator and cryogenic distribution line.

**McAshan envisioned a modular design of cryogenic system. But what length?**

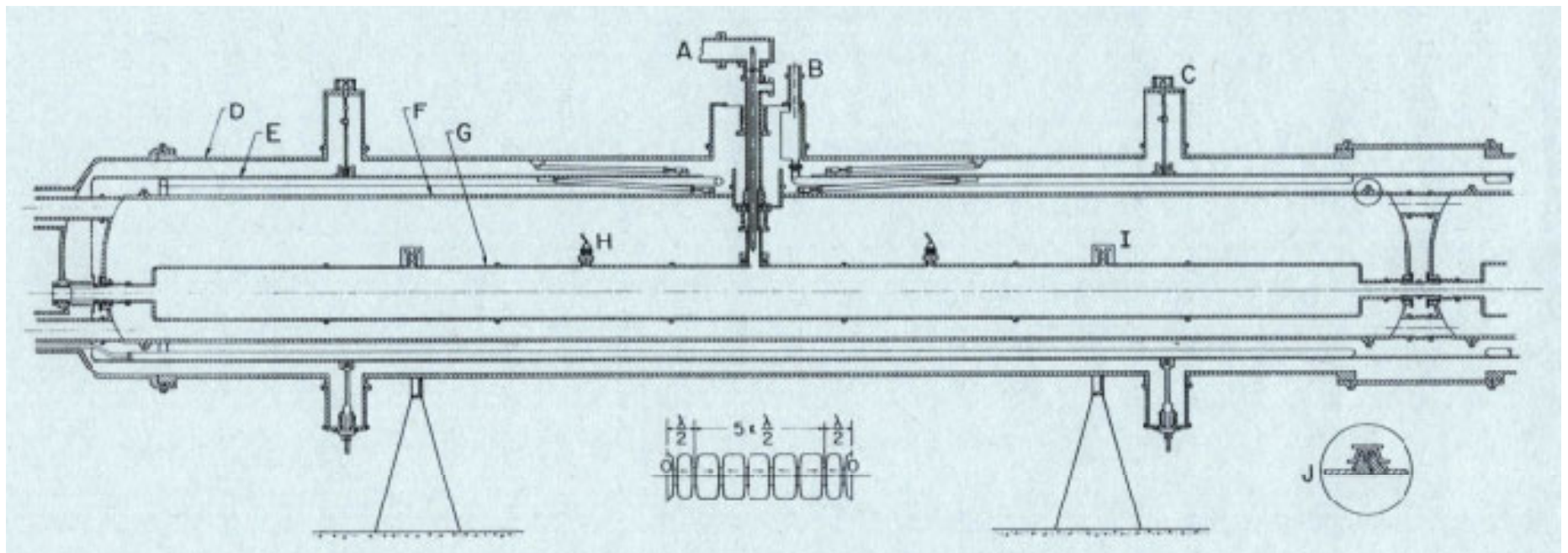
Hofstadter was committed to 2 GeV, and enthusiastic about 100 microamps.

20 klystrons at 10 KW matches beam power.

20 foot niobium structure fabrication length seemed manageable .

**In 1972 the refrigerator, feeding superfluid helium through a 300 foot long distribution line, delivered 200 Watts of cooling at 1.8 K to the superconducting capture and pre-accelerator sections and one 20 foot long accelerator module. The refrigerator had been operated more than 2,000 hours in the previous year.**

# ASSEMBLED TWENTY FOOT ACCELERATOR DEWAR MODULE



## DEVELOPMENT OF SUPERCONDUCTING RF

### **Concerns about electroplated lead $TM_{010}$ – mode performance.**

Status: Gradient of 5 MeV/m with  $Q = 2 \times 10^8$ .

Susceptible to local heating and arcing damage.

Surface chemistry.

### **Wanted to explore possibilities for niobium.**

Karl Brown arranged a meeting with Ira Weissman of Varian Associates.

### **In 1967 we established a collaboration between Turneaure and Weissman.**

**Before the 1968 Brookhaven Summer Study they had produced  $TE_{011}$  – mode cavities at X–band with  $Q = 1.3 \times 10^{10}$  at a magnetic field of 436 Oe.**

**In 1969 Turneaure and Viet developed practical niobium processing methods, demonstrated the viability of electron beam welding, and achieved in  $TM_{010}$ –mode X–band cavities:  $Q = 8.0 \times 10^9$  at a gradient of 23 MeV/m.**

# Low Emittance Beam

**In 1967, when Larry Suelzle arrived, the 35 MeV Mark II accelerator was removed and the vault prepared for tests of a prototype low emittance injector.**

The design incorporated an 80 KeV source, a superconducting 5 – cell capture section and a superconducting rf separator cavity provided for beam analysis.

**Achieving a low emittance beam requires both careful injector design and dynamic stabilization of the accelerating fields.**

By the time of the 1968 Brookhaven Summer Study, Suelzle had demonstrated feedback stabilization of the amplitude and phase of rf cavity fields.

**Design and installation of the prototype injector took longer.**

However, in 1969 the transverse phase space of the 80 KeV beam was manipulated to yield an emittance of  $5 \pi$  mm mrad, and longitudinal bunches of  $20^\circ$  phase width were obtained by chopping. After capture and acceleration, the measured bunch phase width was less than  $2^\circ$ .

## HIGH AVERAGE CURRENT

**Addressing the problem of Regenerative Beam Breakup in superconducting structures was particularly challenging. There was no alternative to determining the interaction of every relevant mode with the accelerated electron beam, and then providing external loading for that mode, sufficient to prevent breakup.**

Karl Mittag came to Stanford from Karlsruhe and we used a method developed at Karlsruhe to complete this task in 1972. External loading was designed and provided, sufficient to permit beam currents as high as 500 microamps.

## COMPETING INTERESTS

### **Heavy Ion Accelerator**

1969 letter to Paul Donovan  
(array of single gap cavities  
driven by independent sources)  
1970 NSF Proposal  
(arrival of Ilan Ben-Zvi)

### **Pion Radiotherapy**

1970 NSF (RANN) Proposal  
(arrival of Doug Boyd)  
Revolutionize radiotherapy  
CT– scan patent  
SC toroidal spectrometer

### **Free Electron Laser**

1971 Madey discussions  
1972 Proposal to AFOSR  
1975 gain measurement  
1977 First FEL