



# Multiphysics Design of ESS-Bilbao Linac Accelerating Cavities Using COMSOL



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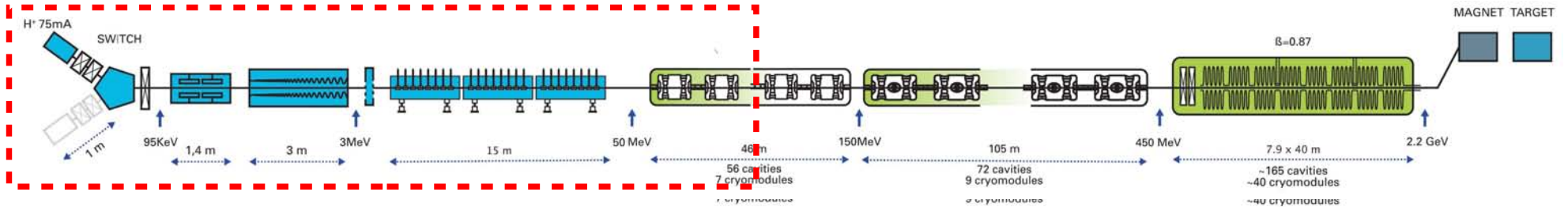
# Outline

- ESS-Bilbao project description
- Accelerating cavities
- Buncher cavity design and optimization using multiphysics software
  - Geometry optimization
  - Thermo-mechanical studies
- Conclusions

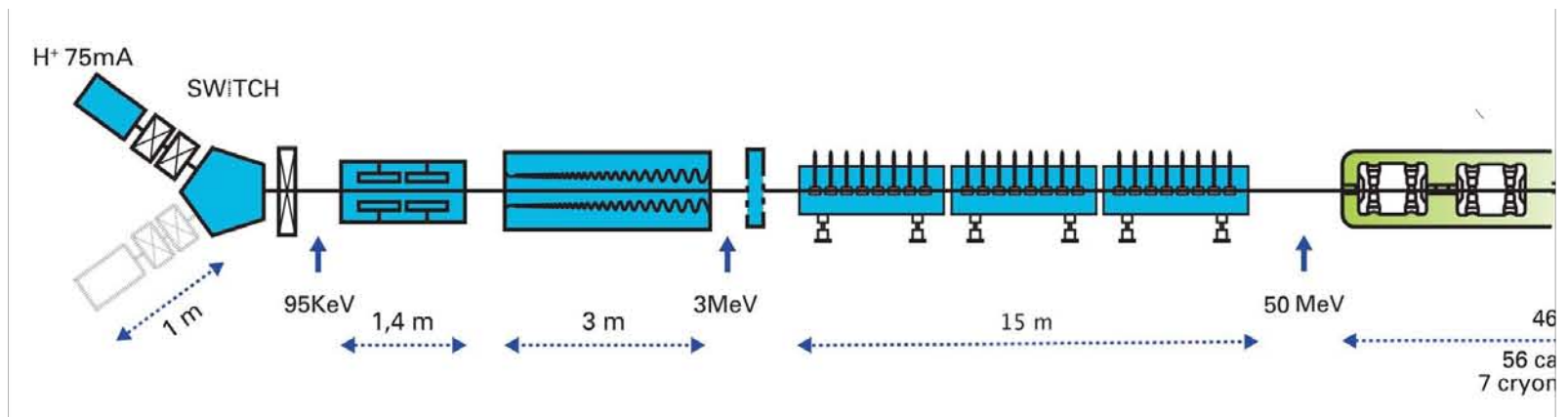
# ESS-Bilbao linac

- **ESS-Bilbao** is a research center devoted to accelerators science and technology, whose main facility is a proton linac currently under development (<http://www.essbilbao.org>)
- ESS-Bilbao building and accelerator tunnel will be built in the Scientific Park of the U.P.V/E.H.U. besides Leioa Campus

# ESS-Bilbao linac



## Stage 1:



Ion sources  
(H<sup>-</sup>, H<sup>+</sup>)

LEBT

RFQ

MEBT

DTL

Spoke  
demonstrator



Kinetic  
energy:

75 keV

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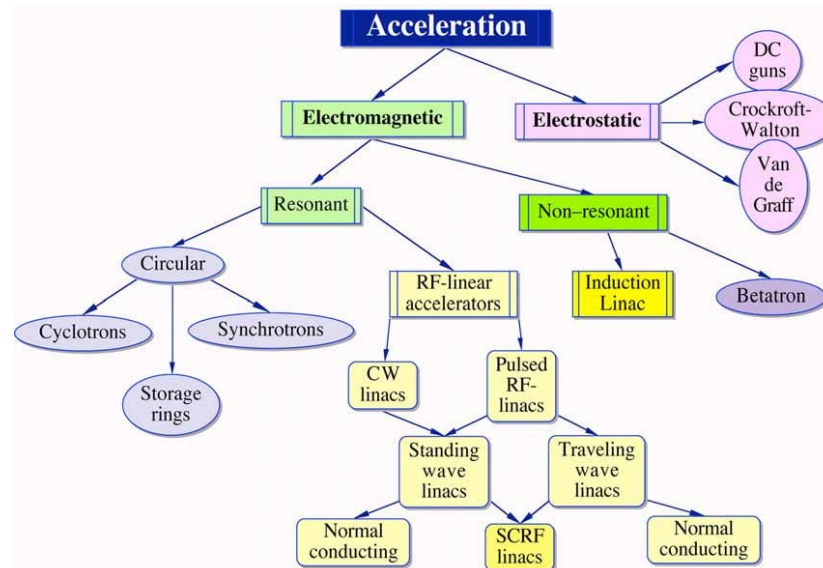
3 MeV

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50 MeV

# Accelerating cavities

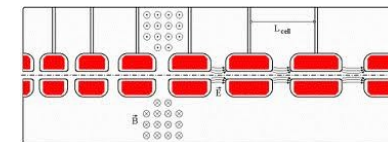
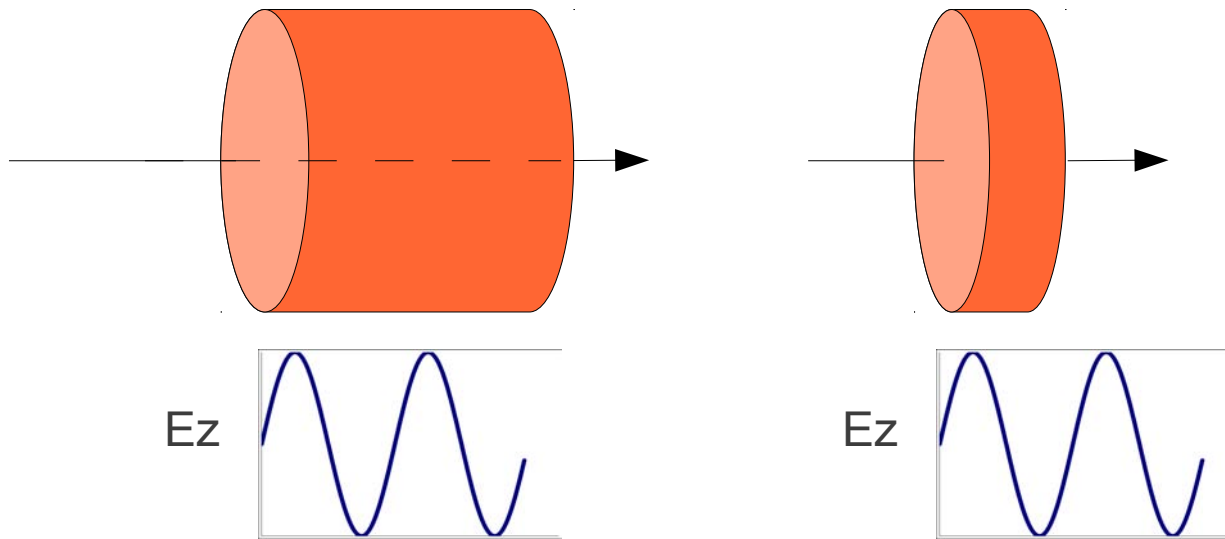
- An electric field is needed to change a charged particle kinetic energy:
  - Lorentz force:  $\vec{F} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$
  - Change of kinetic energy...  $\frac{dW_k}{dt} = \frac{c^2}{W_k} \vec{p} \cdot \vec{F} = q \vec{v} \cdot \vec{E}$
- Electric field can be provided by different means...



\* (From W. A. Barletta, "Introduction to accelerators" U.S. Particle Accelerator School)

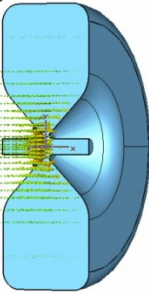
# Accelerating cavities

- An accelerating cavity is a vacuum chamber with an AC (RF) electric field in resonance
- Synchronization between electric field and particles velocity is needed to have net acceleration ->  $\lambda \sim \text{cm}$



# Components

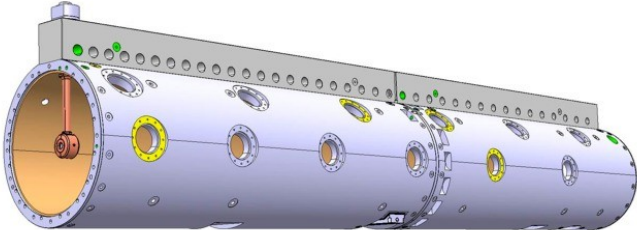
- Examples of linac components showing typical design issues:



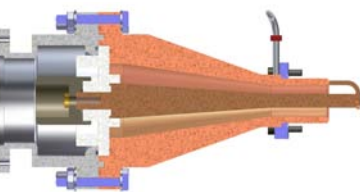
“Bunching” cavity:

- Axysimetric
- 2D geometry optimization
- 3D EM, Thermal, Mech
- Tuners, couplers...

Accelerating cavities

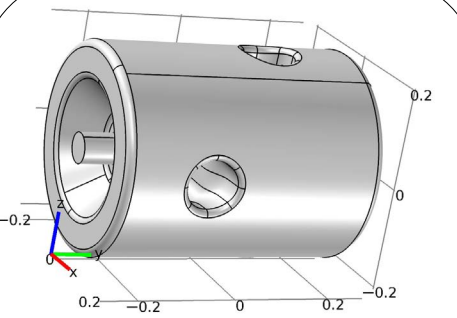


- Different feature sizes
- Very big models
- Complex EM behavior



Power couplers:

- EM optimization
- Thermal, mech,
- Ceramic windows...



SC cavities:

- Surface fields
- Thermal...

LEBT Solenoids Outer Dipole + Iron 11/03/05

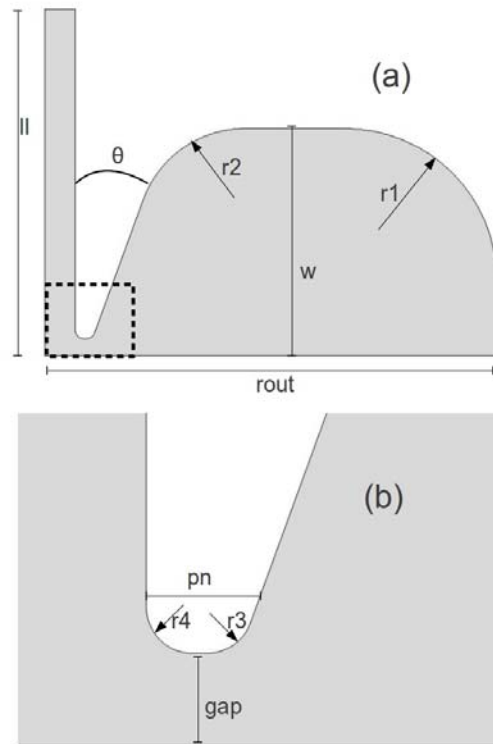
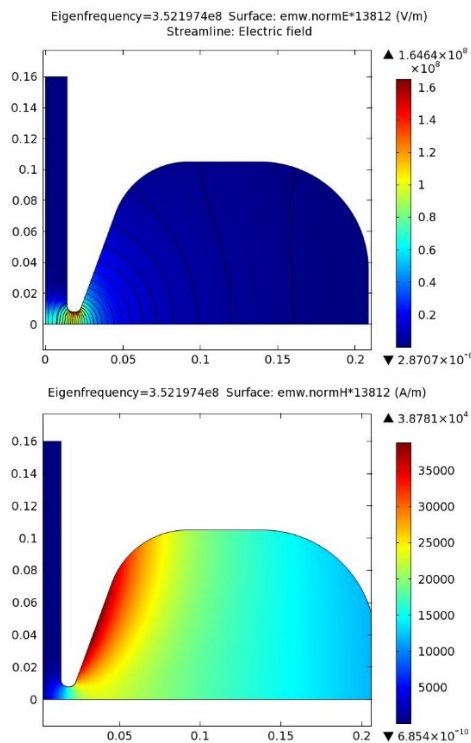


Magnets

- Complex coil geometries
- Non-linear materials

# Buncher cavity

- 2D geometric optimization
  - Maximize figures of merit (Q, ZTT, ...) with restriction  $f=352.2$  MHz



Some expressions:

$$Q_0: \omega W / P$$

$$P: \frac{1}{2} R_s \iint H^2 dS$$

$$V_s: \int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} E_{0z} dz$$

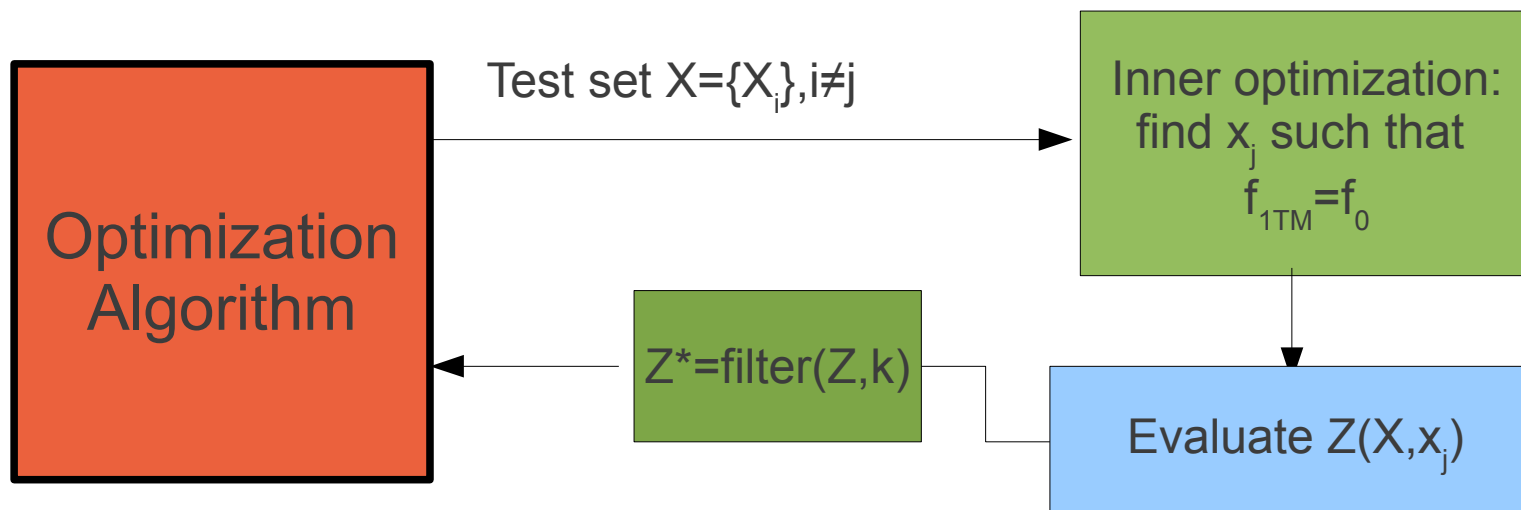
$$T: \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} E_{0z} \cos\left(\frac{\omega z}{\beta c}\right) dz$$

$$Z_s TT: \frac{V_s^2}{P} T^2$$



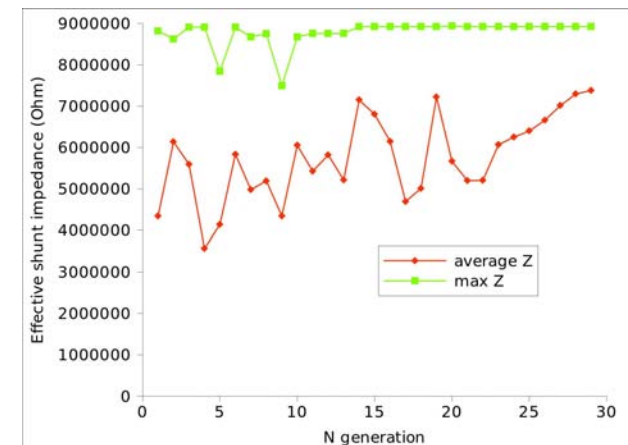
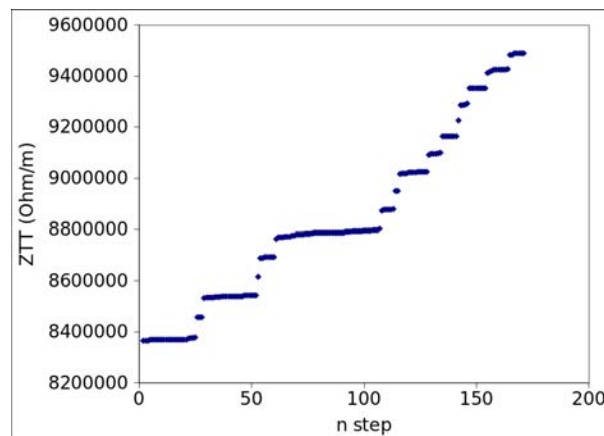
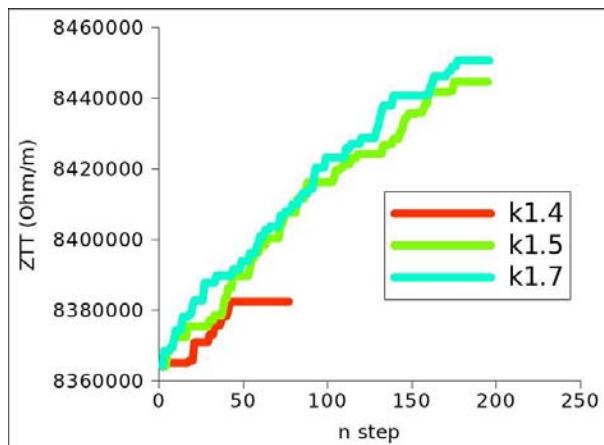
# Cavity optimization

- Problem: Given a set of parameters  $X=\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$ , maximize function  $Z(X)=ZTT(X)$  with the restrictions  $f_{1TM}=f_0$  and  $k(E_{s,max}) < k_0$
- The restriction for  $f=f_0$  is very strong. This is solved in two steps:



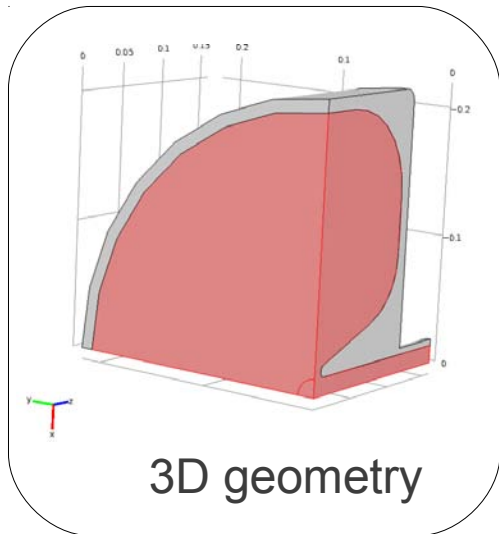
# Cavity optimization

- Optimization using different algorithms (stochastic hill climbing, genetic, ...) coded in Matlab.

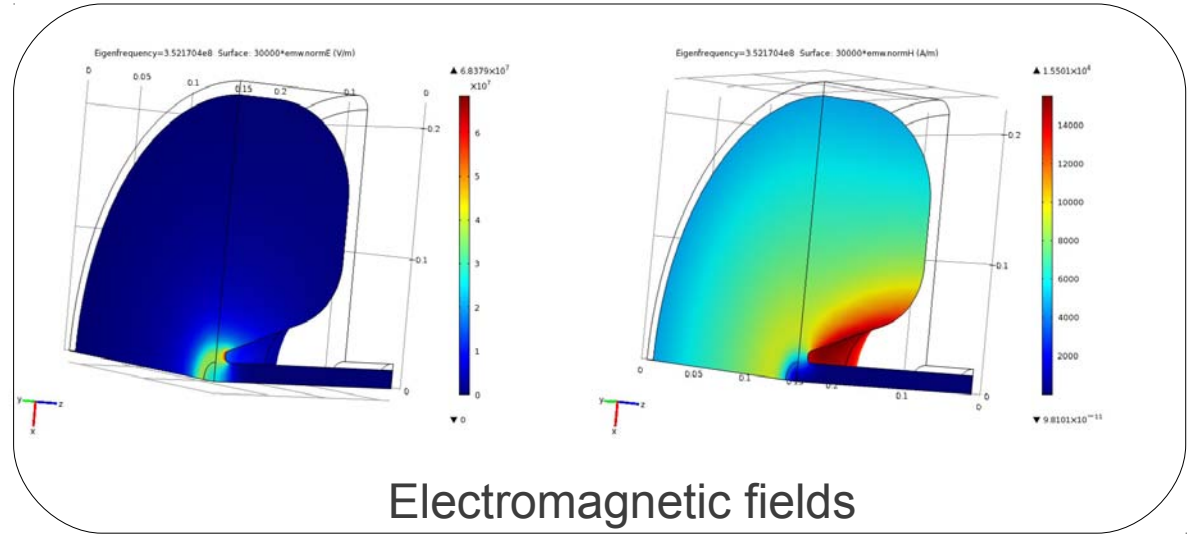


- Final design not yet decided as operational parameters and not yet frozen.

# Buncher cavity

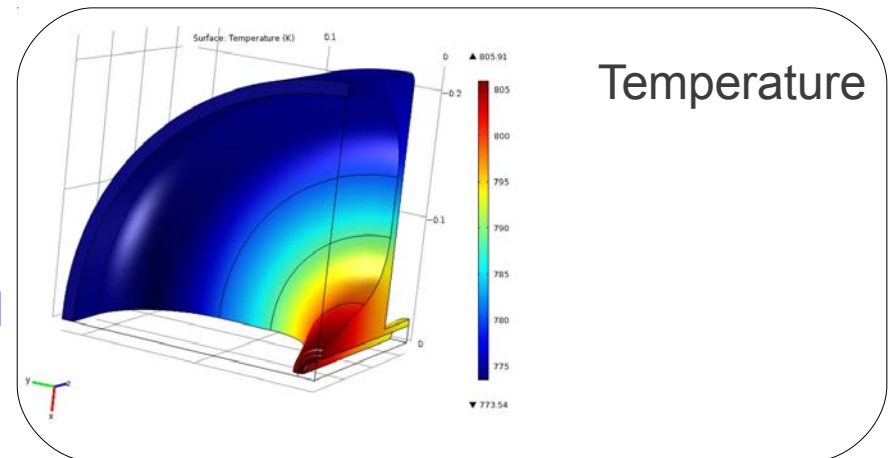


Eigenvalue solver

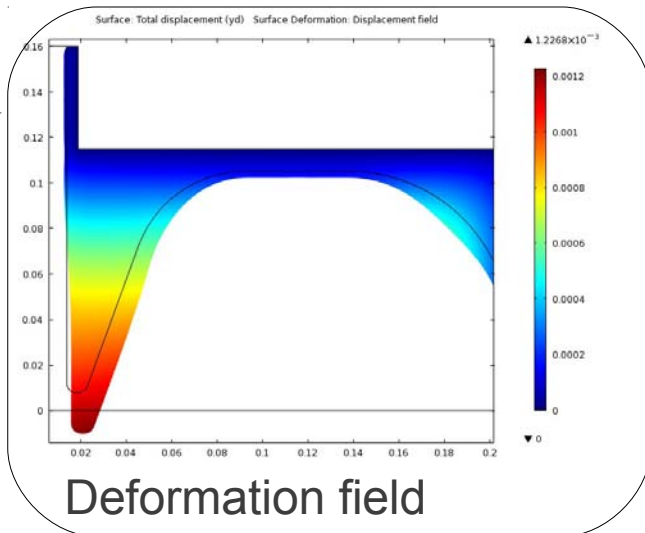
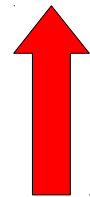


Heat transfer solver

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \eta R_s \iint_S H^2 dS$$

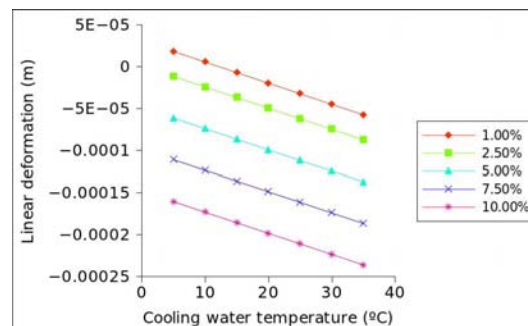
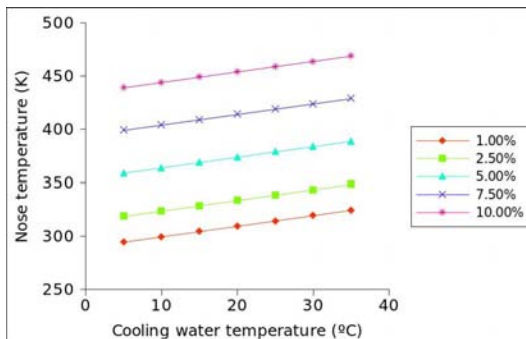
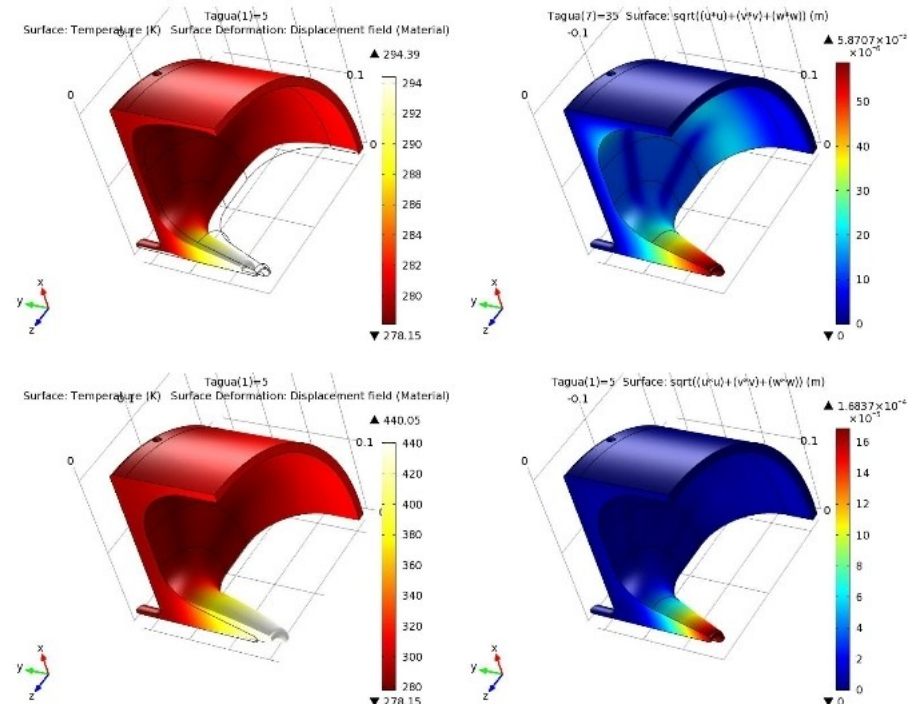
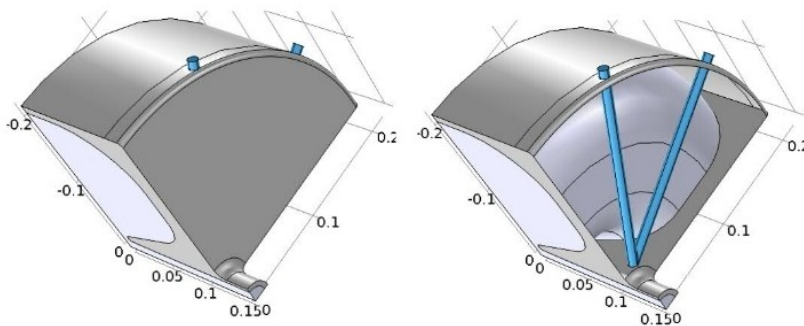


Mechanical solver



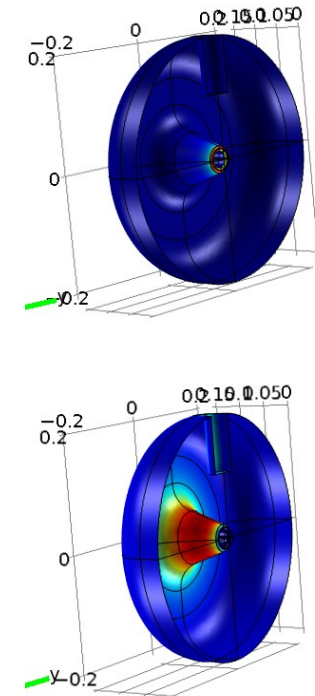
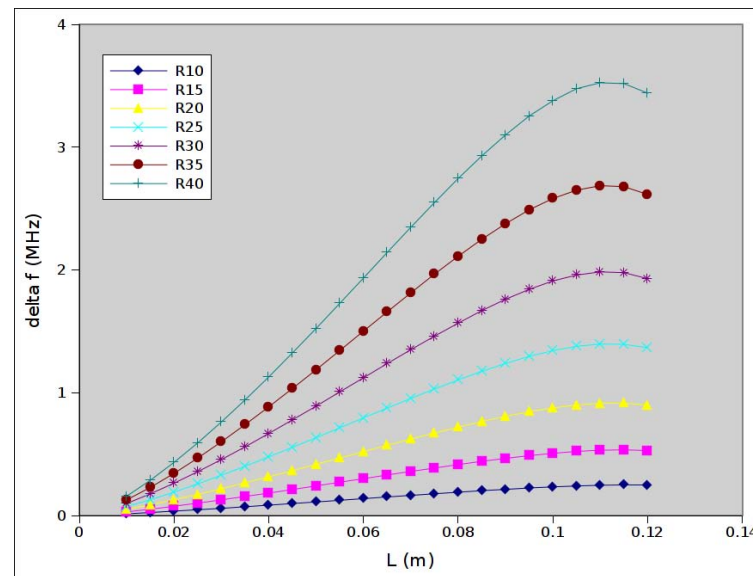
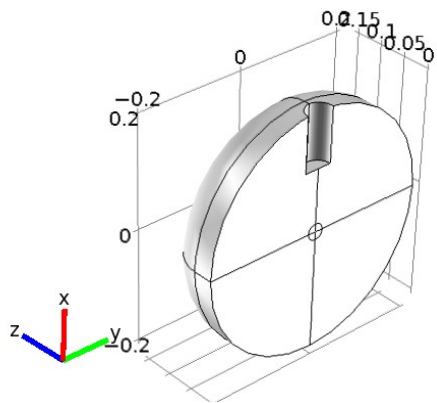
# Buncher cavity thermal design

- Simulations coupled with cooling (with or without CFD simulation) help to design effective cooling systems



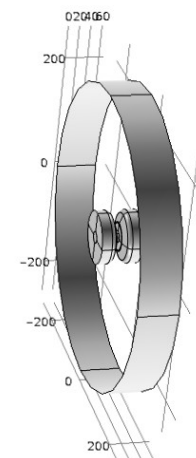
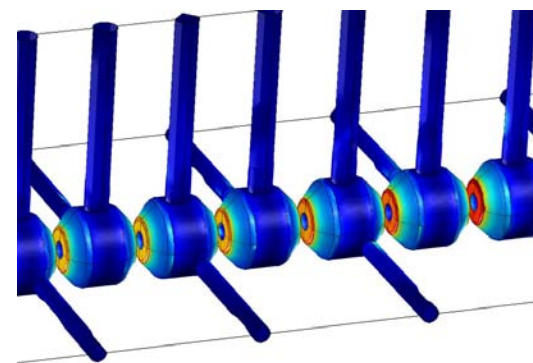
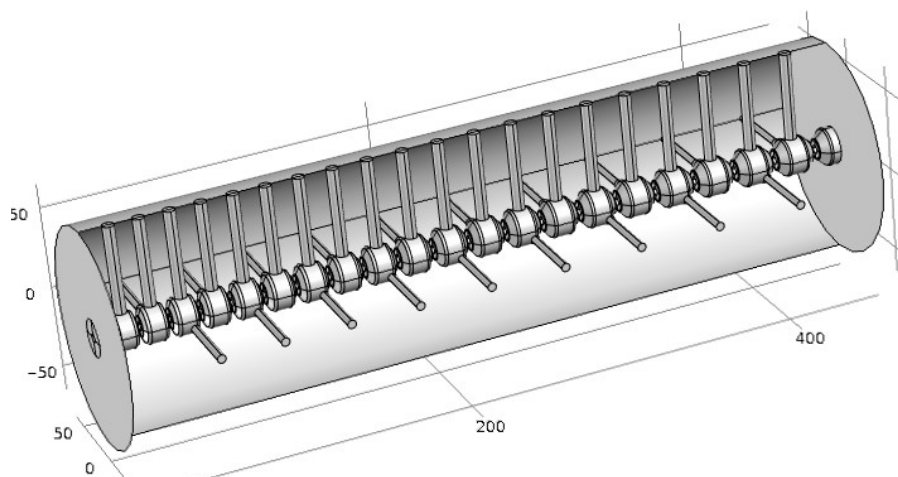
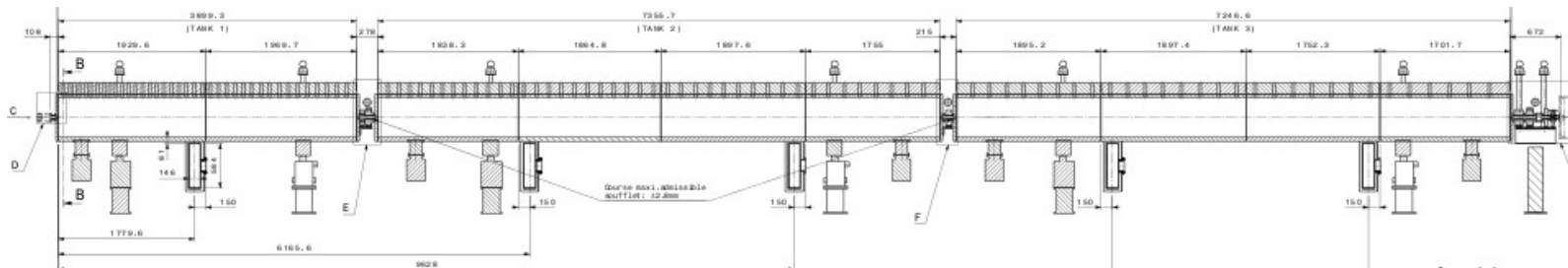
# Buncher cavity tuning system

- To dynamically change cavity frequency during operation, a slug tuner is used:



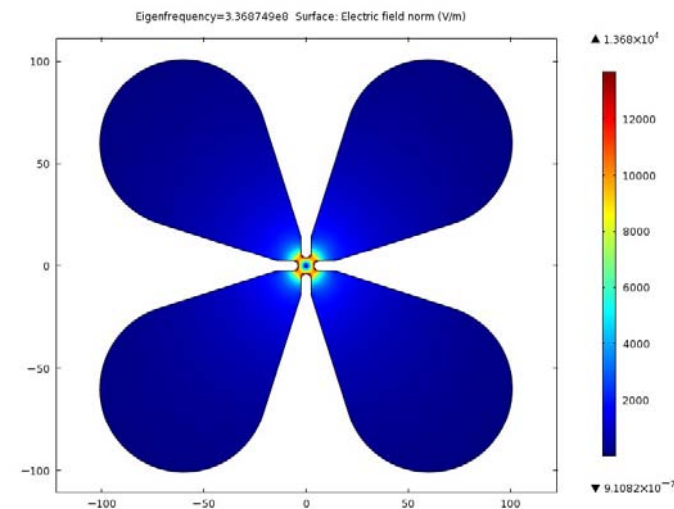
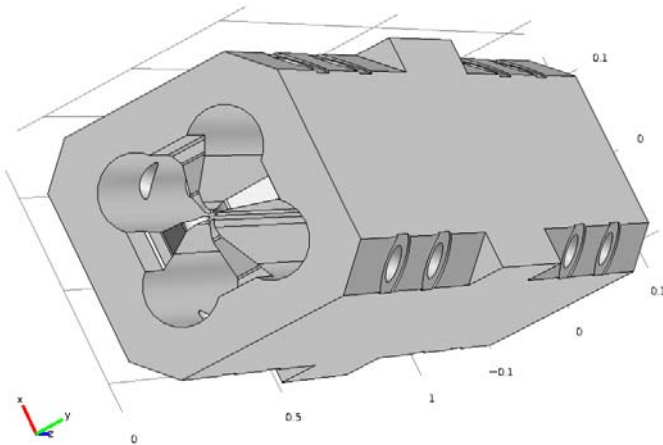
# Other accelerating structures

- Drift Tube Linac: Tanks of about 4 and 8 m long, 520 mm diameter, with fine details and no simmetries:



# Other accelerating cavities

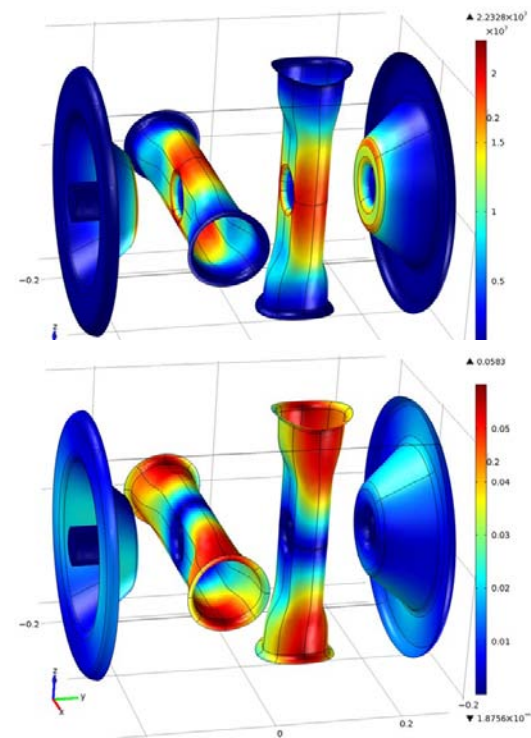
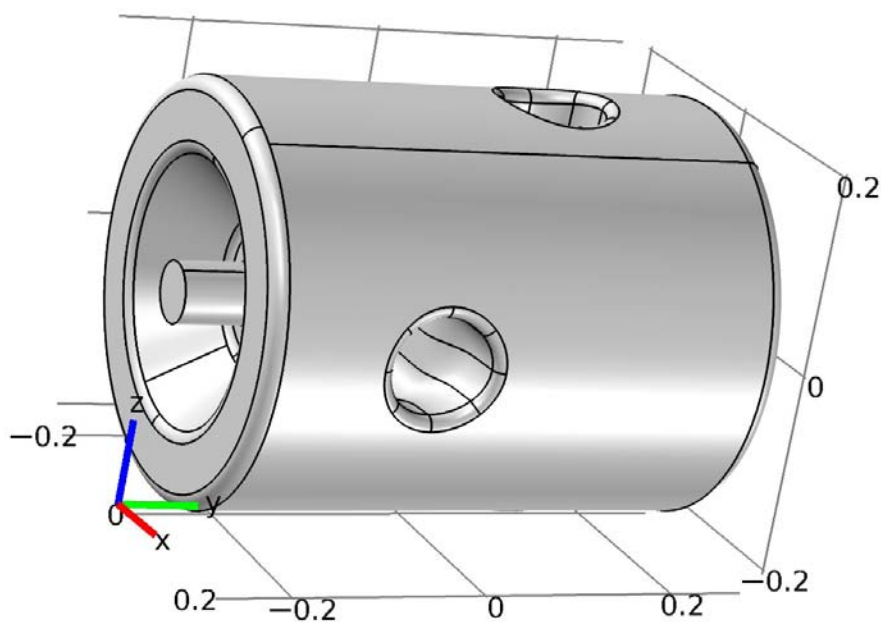
Radiofrequency quadrupole (RFQ) has about 4 meters long with very fine detail in vane modulation



Resonant frequency and electric field profile are very sensitive to every feature of the geometry

# Superconducting cavities

- The “spoke” cavities that will be built as prototypes at ESS-Bilbao have other additional difficulties:
  - Complex shapes, mechanical fabrication (in Nb),...





# Conclusions

- The design stage of a linear accelerator structure involves strong use of Multiphysics simulation tools. This is being done in ESS-Bilbao linac using COMSOL
- The main activities correspond to the RF design of the cavities, although thermal, mechanical and CFD are also used.
- Geometry optimization schemes (hill climbing, genetic) have been coded in Matlab and used with COMSOL to get optimum cavity shapes.



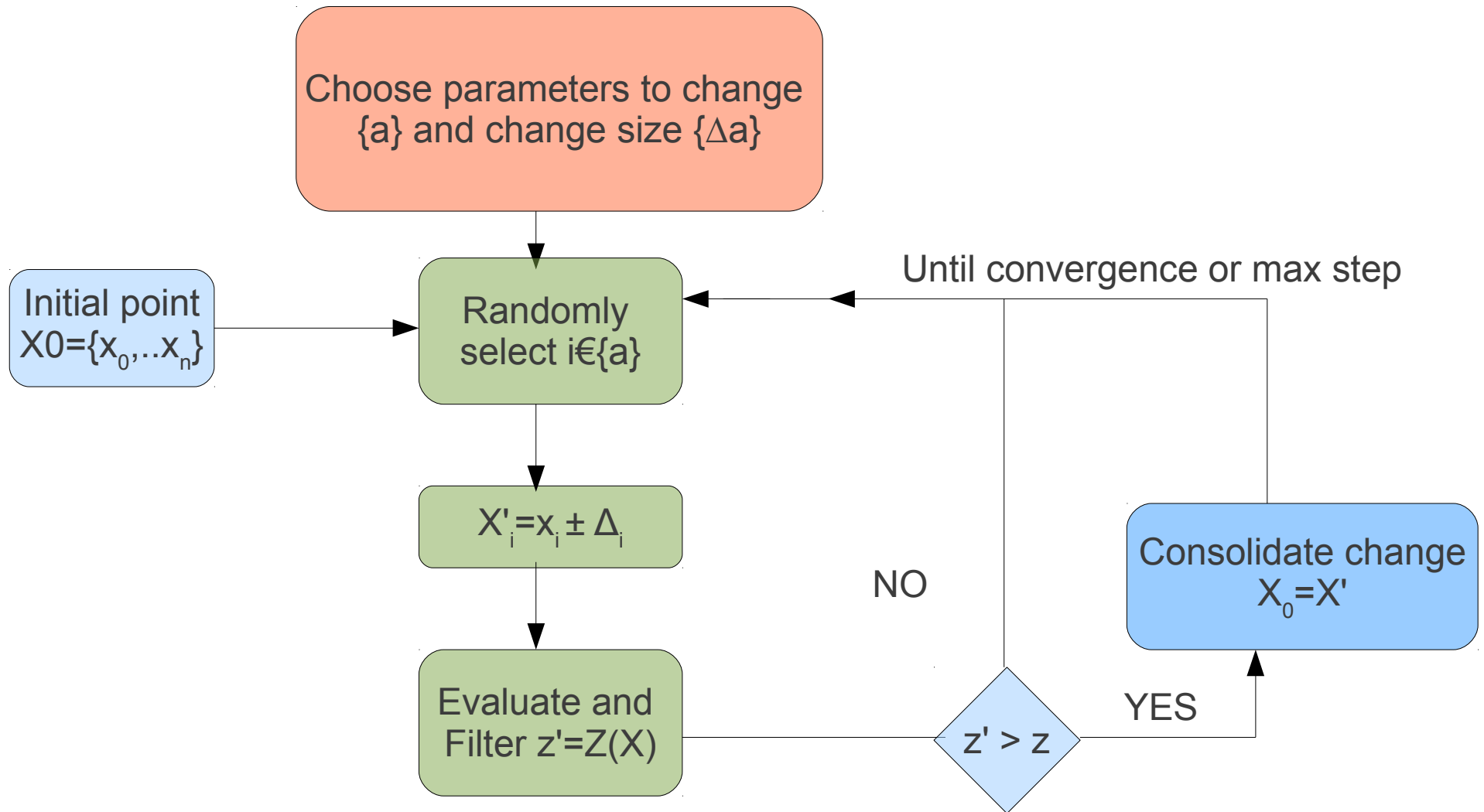
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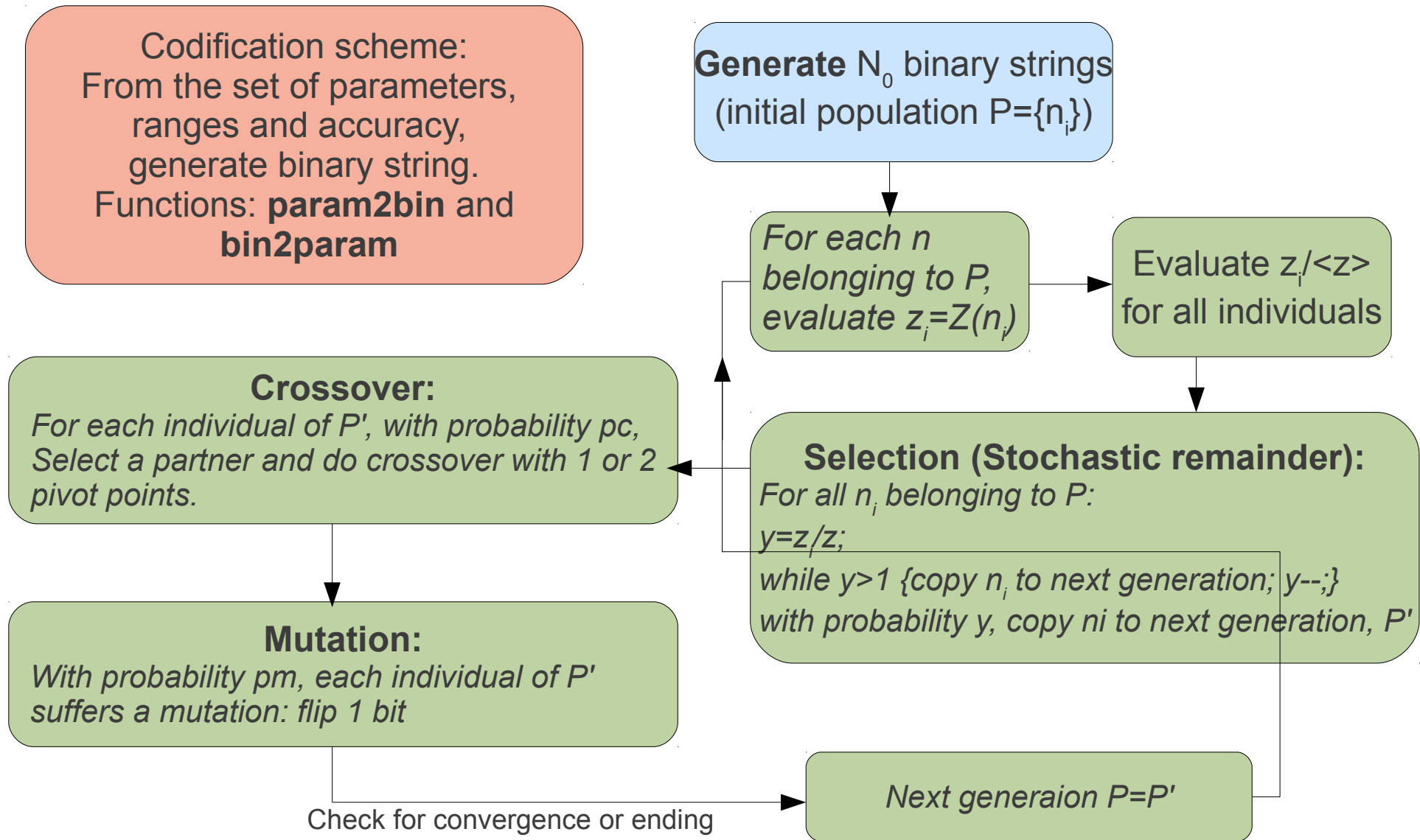
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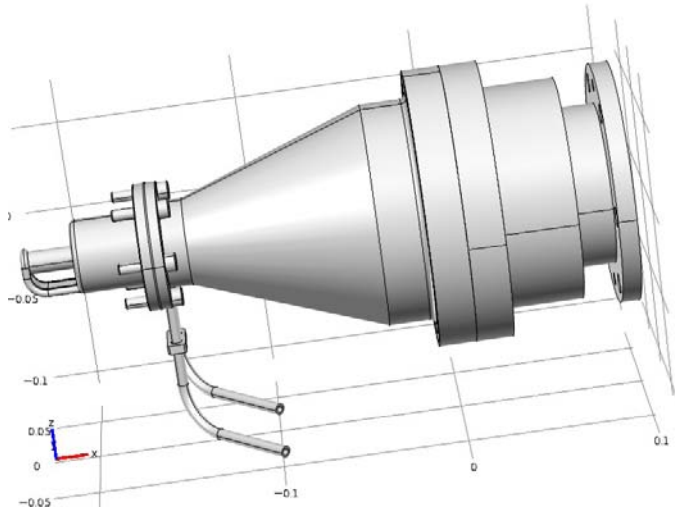
# Hill climbing algorithm



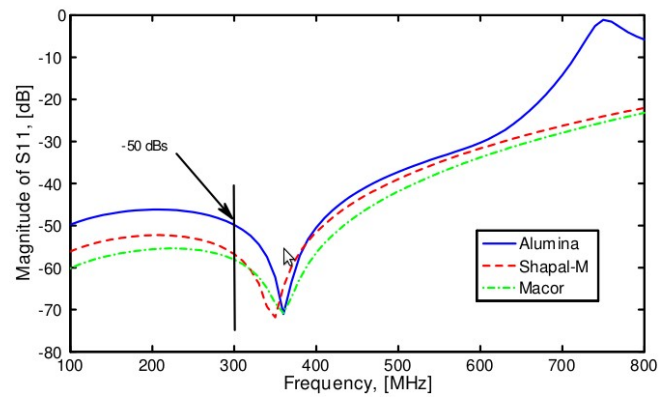
# Genetic algorithm



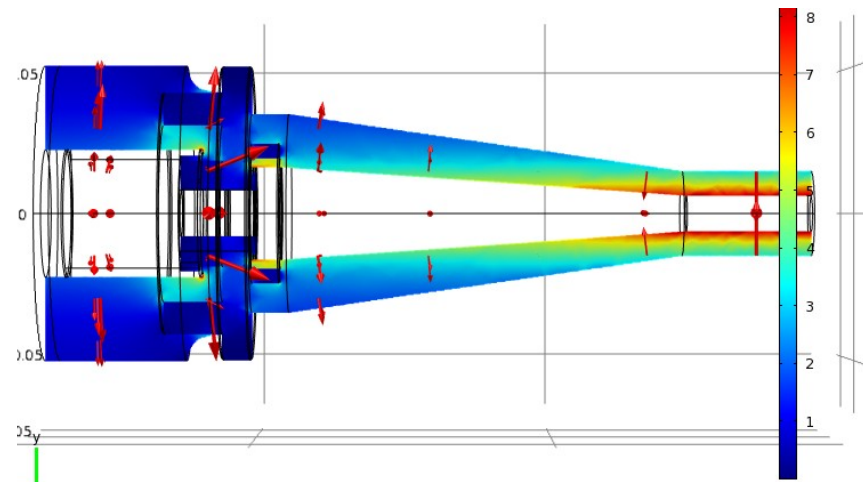
# Power couplers



Model with loop, cooling,...



Impedance matching



Electric field, power dissipation

# Superconducting cavities

- SC cavities has an extra difficulty: determination of accurate surface field values.
- Solvers are accurate for frequency calculation but not very accurate with the values of surface E and H fields
- These values are used as critical values for maximum power input in the cavity, because field values above some limits can suppress superconductivity

# Superconducting cavities

- Simple geometries with known analytic solution (pillboxes, spheres...) are used as benchmarks

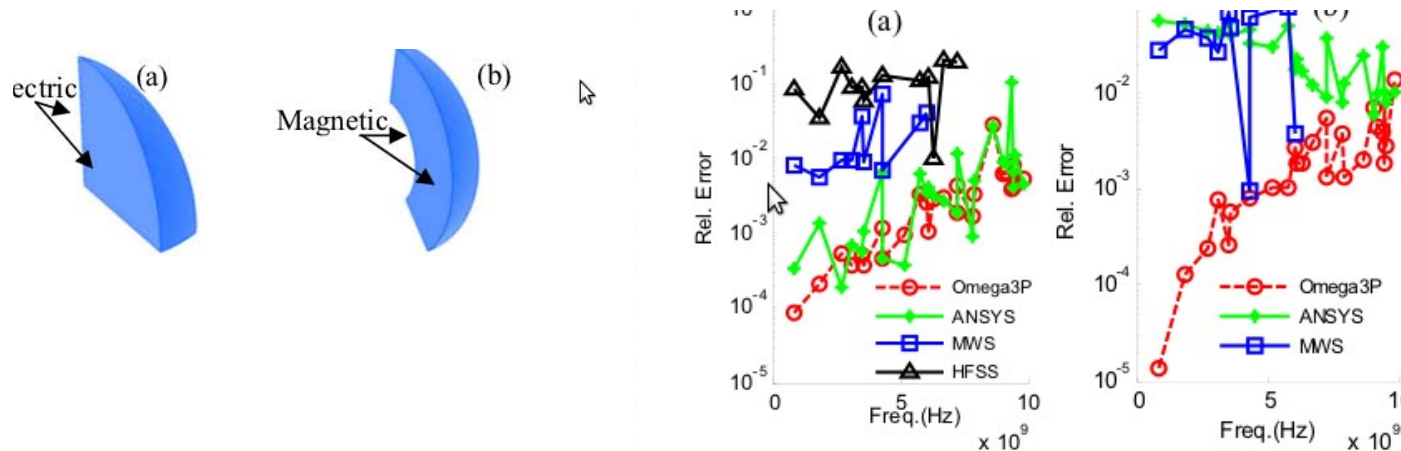


Figure 5: Relative errors of the maximum surface electric fields for the double sphere. (a) Inner surface; (b) outer surface.

\* (From K. Tian et al, "Benchmark of different electromagnetic codes for the high frequency calculation" Proceedings of PAC'09)



# Magnets

- Different kind of magnets are used in accelerators (for beam focusing and bending)
- All of them suffer from numerical difficulties:  
(non linear materials, coils with strange shapes, ...)

