

**Design of Gridded-Tube Structures
for the 201.25 MHz RF Cavity**

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Design considerations

- Design variables:

Tube outer diameter, wall thickness

Geometrical configuration:

- Grid spacing between tubes
- Gap between tubes

Type of coolant flowing inside the tubes and flow rate

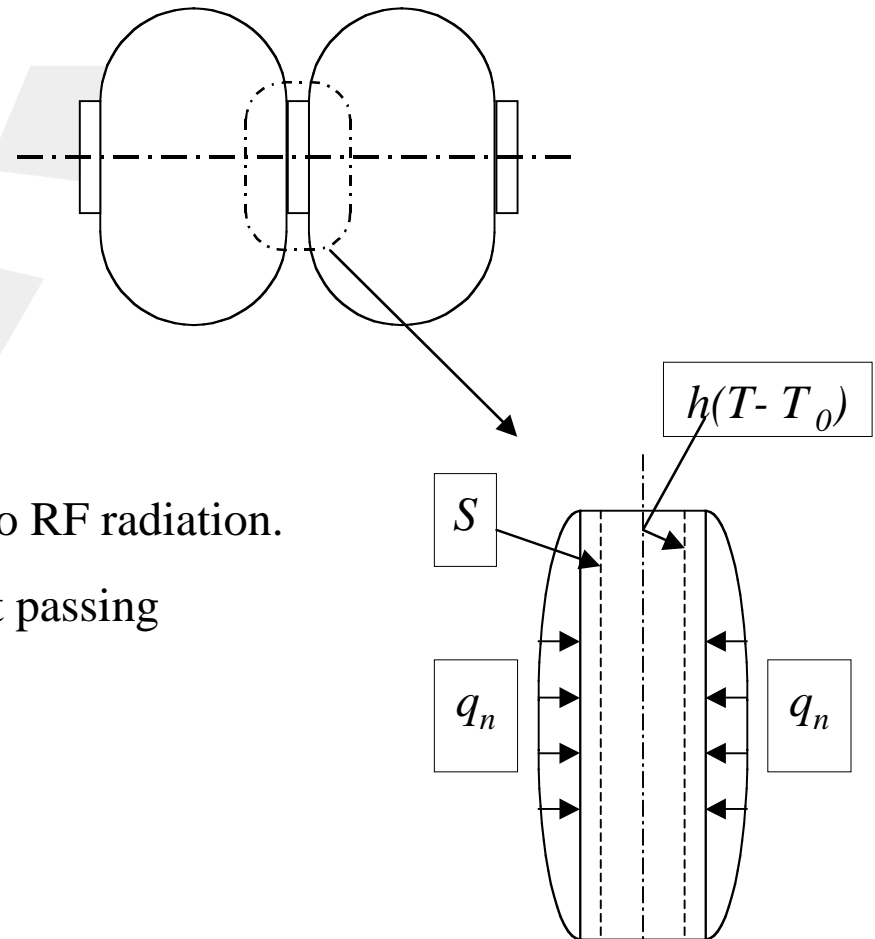
- Design objective:

Select design variables to keep stresses/out-of-plane deflection within the acceptable limits

Heat transfer considerations

Heating of aluminum tubes due to RF radiation.

Forced convection due to coolant passing through the tubes.



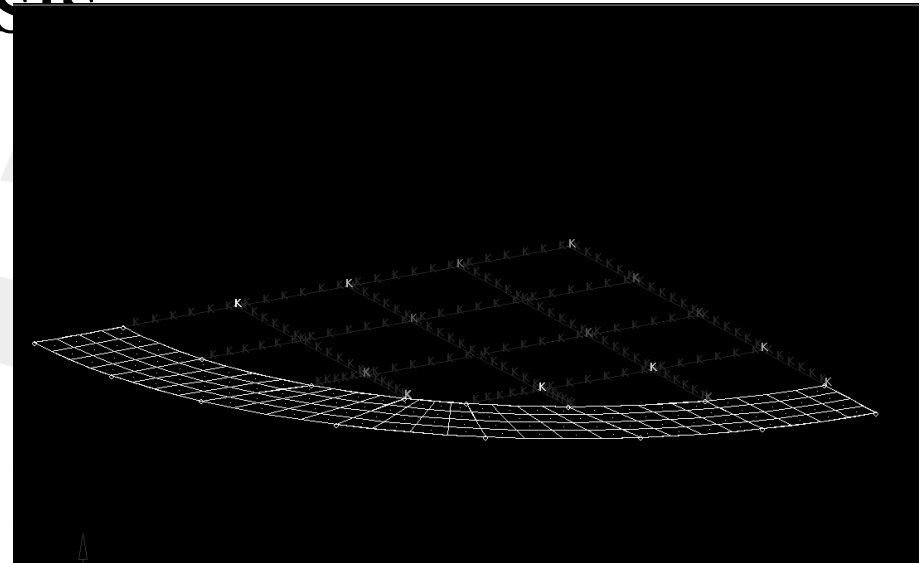
Thermal stress analysis

- Structural finite element model

Beam elements to model the tubes

Shell elements to model the ring structure

- Mechanical properties and dimensions:



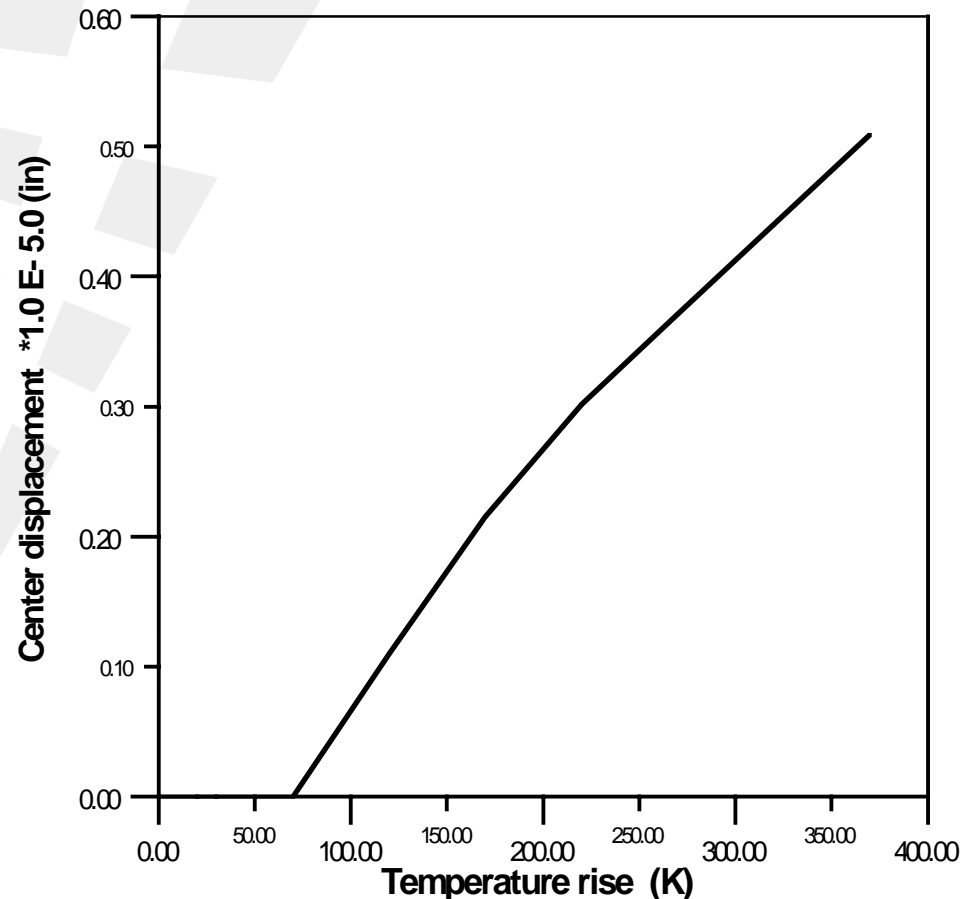
E (GPa)	ν	$\alpha \times 10^{-6}$ $^{\circ}\text{C}$
68	0.33	24

R_o (in)	t (in)	D (in)
0.75	0.001	16.55

Gridded-tube structure subjected to uniform temperature increase

■ ABAQUS

■ Thermal buckling occurs at a temperature rise of 69 K



Present focus

Complete heat transfer analysis (collaboration with R. Rimmer)

Perform thermal stress analysis

Selection of design variables