

# Presentation of Short Term Scientific Missions Ancona (IT) – Nottingham (UK) in 2017

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# STSM from Ancona to Nottingham in 2017

## List

- (Mar 13–31): **Luca Bastianelli**, “*Analysis of chaotic electromagnetic environments*”  
Reference Number: COST-STSM-IC1407-36889
- (Jul 7–15): **Franco Moglie**, “*Reverberation chamber simulation on high performance computers*”  
Reference Number: COST-STSM-IC1407-38300
- (Oct 9–21): **Luca Bastianelli**, “*Analysis of chaotic electromagnetic environments*”  
Reference Number: COST-STSM-IC1407-38975

# Numerical Approach – FDTD Simulation

## Unfavorable

- ★ High Q-factor implies very long time for simulations
- ★ Stirrer effects must be observed over a large number of positions
- ★ High powerful computers are required

## Favorable

- ★ “Embarrassing parallel” structure
  - ▶ **time domain (FDTD and FFT)**: each stirrer position can run on a different MPI process
  - ▶ **frequency domain (statistic analysis)**: each frequency can run on a different MPI process
- ★ FDTD code is easily parallelizable with OpenMP or MPI

# FDTD Simulation

## Parameters

- ★ Investigated band: 0.2–2.0 GHz
- ★ Time step: 50 ps and cell size: 15 mm ( $\lambda/10$  at 2.0 GHz)
- ★ FDTD grid:  $401 \times 268 \times 168$
- ★ Wall losses replaced by equivalent volumetric losses
- ★ We analyzed 256 stirrer positions

# FDTD Simulation

## Computing resource: CINECA Lenovo Adam Pass (MARCONI)

- ★ Architecture: Intel OmniPath Cluster
- ★ Processor Type: Intel Xeon Phi 7250 Knights Landing at 1.40 GHz
- ★ Racks: 50
- ★ Computing Nodes: 3 600
- ★ Cores/Node: 68
- ★ Computing Cores: 244 800
- ★ RAM: 16 GB/node of MCDRAM and 96 GB/node of DDR4
- ★ Internal Network: Intel OmniPath Architecture 2 : 1
- ★ Disk Space: 17 PB (raw) of local storage
- ★ Peak Performance: 11 PFlop/s
- ★ Ranked at position 14 in the Top 500 list of November 2017

# PRACE Project

## Computing resources granted under a PRACE project

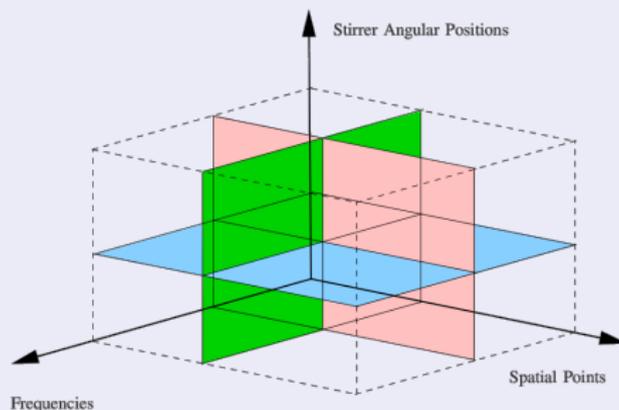
- ★ 15th Call for PRACE Project Access
- ★ Proposal ID: 2016143324
- ★ Project name: SREDIT – Simulations of Radiated Emissions in Densely Integrated Technologies
- ★ Participants: Ancona, Granada, Nottingham, York
- ★ Awarded resources: 12 353 536 core-hours
- ★ System: Marconi KNL (CINECA, Italy)
- ★ We plan to apply the Call 17 that should open the 7 March 2018

# Structure of the results

## IEC 61000-4-21 Standard method

$$\rho_i = \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} a_j a_{j+i}}{\sigma_{2a}}$$

## Number of the uncorrelated chambers' states



# Evaluation of Uncorrelated frequencies

At each frequency step, the electric field values are computed in each point of a volumetric spatial grid

## Multivariate approach

Matrix of the fields:

$$\underline{\underline{e}} = \begin{bmatrix} e_1^{(1)} & \dots & e_1^{(N_f)} \\ e_2^{(1)} & \dots & e_2^{(N_f)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ e_{N_p}^{(1)} & \dots & e_{N_p}^{(N_f)} \end{bmatrix}$$

- ★ The columns are the field values at each frequency step
- ★ The rows are the field values in each spatial point

# Multivariate Approach

## Correlation matrix build up

$\rho_{jk}$  is the Pearson correlation coefficient between the frequency points field arrays  $j$  and  $k$  for all the probed points

$$\underline{\underline{R}} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{11} & \rho_{12} & \cdots & \rho_{1N_f} \\ \rho_{21} & \rho_{22} & \cdots & \rho_{2N_f} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \rho_{N_f 1} & \rho_{N_f 2} & \cdots & \rho_{N_f N_f} \end{bmatrix} \quad \rho_{jk} = \frac{\text{Cov}(\underline{e}^{(j)}, \underline{e}^{(k)})}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\underline{e}^{(j)}) \text{Var}(\underline{e}^{(k)})}}$$

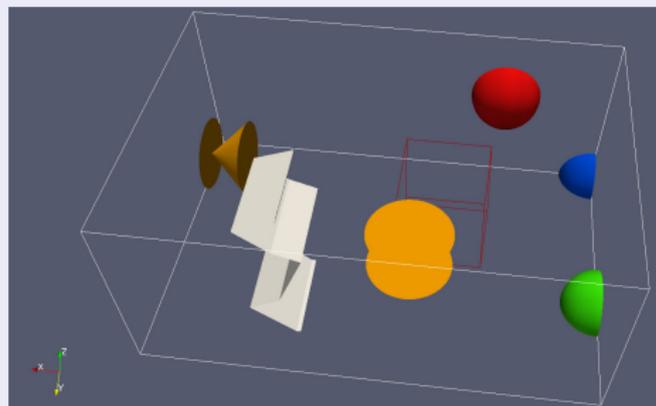
- ★ Counting of uncorrelated frequency points using a threshold [IEC 61000 4 – 21]

$$N_u = \frac{N_f^2}{\# [\underline{\underline{R}} > r]}, \quad r = \frac{1}{e} \left[ 1 - \frac{7.22}{(N_f^2)^{0.64}} \right]$$

- ★ where  $r$  is the threshold value

# Simulations

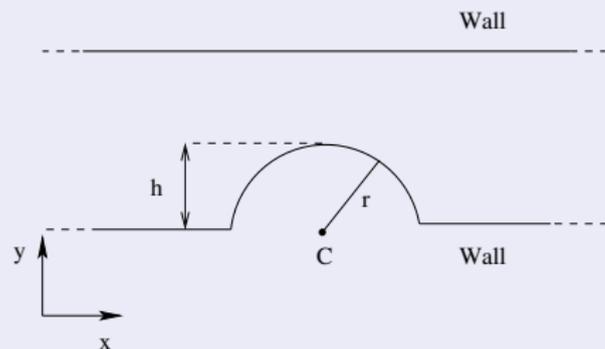
## Simulated reverberation chamber



- Dimensions:  
 $6 \times 4 \times 2.5 \text{ m}^3$
- $f_0 \simeq 45 \text{ MHz}$
- Discone antennas
- Curved diffractors
- Vertical stirrer
- Working volume

# Simulations

## Kind of diffractors

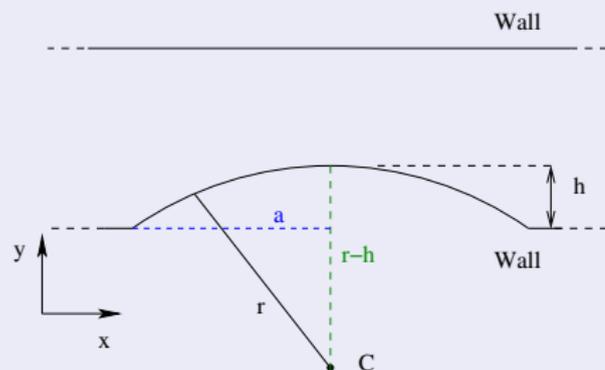


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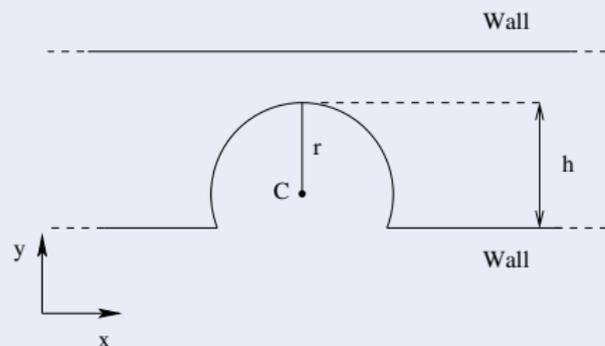


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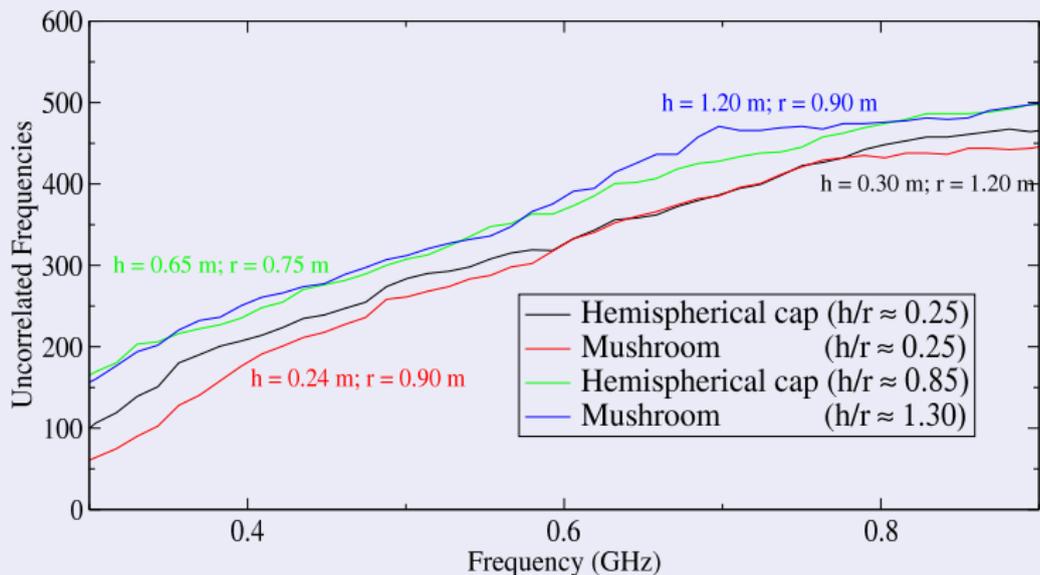


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# Results

## Different kinds of diffractors on a corner



# Quality factor

Q-factor of the cavity:

$$Q = \frac{16\pi^2 V \langle |S_{21}|^2 \rangle}{\eta_{TX} \eta_{RX} (1 - |S_{11}|^2) (1 - |S_{22}|^2)} \left( \frac{f}{c} \right)^3$$

For analytical analysis when wall losses are dominant, the Q-factor can be evaluated by:

$$Q_{WS} = \frac{3V^{WS}}{2\mu_r \delta S^{WS}}, \quad Q_S = \frac{3V^S}{2\mu_r \delta S^S},$$

where  $\delta = \frac{3}{\sqrt{\omega \mu \sigma}}$  is the skin depth [m]

The total volume and surface including diffractors are:

$$V^S = V^{WS} - \alpha \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \text{ [m}^3\text{]}$$

$$S^S = S^{WS} + \beta \pi r^2 \text{ [m}^2\text{]}$$

$\alpha$  and  $\beta$  depend on the number and position of diffractors

# Simulations

## Losses

Losses mechanism of antennas is given by:

$$Q_a = \frac{16\pi^2 V}{\lambda^3} \text{ (dominant at low frequency)}$$

then

$$Q_{tot}^{-1} = Q^{-1} + Q_a^{-1}$$

- Losses adopted within the theoretical model is  $\sigma = 5000 \text{ S/m}$
- Volumetric losses adopted in the FDTD is:
  - ▶  $\sigma_v = 1 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ S/m}$  for the empty chamber
  - ▶ scaled  $\sigma_v$  for a chamber loaded by spheres

# Simulations

## Modal overlap

- The average modal overlap is defined by:

$$M(f) = m(f) \frac{f}{Q(f)}$$

$m(f)$  is the average modal density predicted by the Weyl's law

- The internal power transmission is evaluated by:

$$P(f) = \frac{\langle |S_{21}|^2 \rangle}{\eta_{Tx} \eta_{Rx} (1 - |S_{11}|^2) (1 - |S_{22}|^2)}$$

- The modal overlap can be re-write as:

$$M(f) = \frac{8\pi V}{Q(f)} \frac{f^3}{c^3}$$

by using the  $P(f)$  is it possible to define an estimator:

$$\bar{M} = \frac{1}{2\pi P(f)}$$

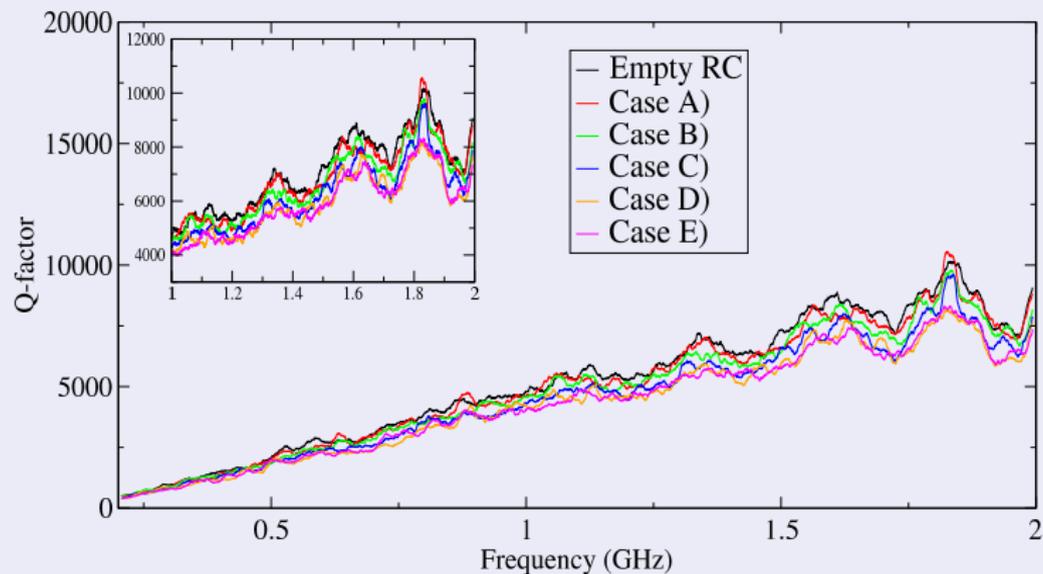
The  $\bar{M}$  estimator does not require a-priori information about the cavity

# Simulations

Label ID	#Spheres	$r$ (m)	#1/8	#1/4	#1/2	$V^s$ (m <sup>3</sup> )	$S^s$ (m <sup>2</sup> )
Empty RC	0	//	//	//	//	60.0	98.00
A)	4	0.50	0	0	4	58.95	101.14
B)	10	0.50	2	4	4	58.29	102.31
C)	20	0.50	1	17	2	56.65	107.80
D)	30	0.50	4	18	8	55.45	110.50
E)	10	0.75	2	4	4	54.25	107.71

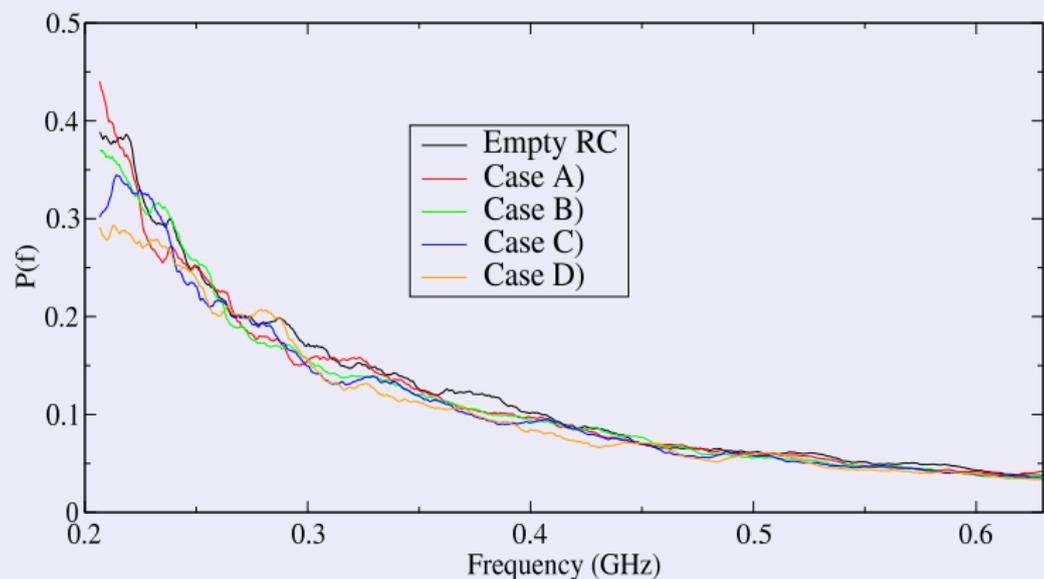
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## Quality factor



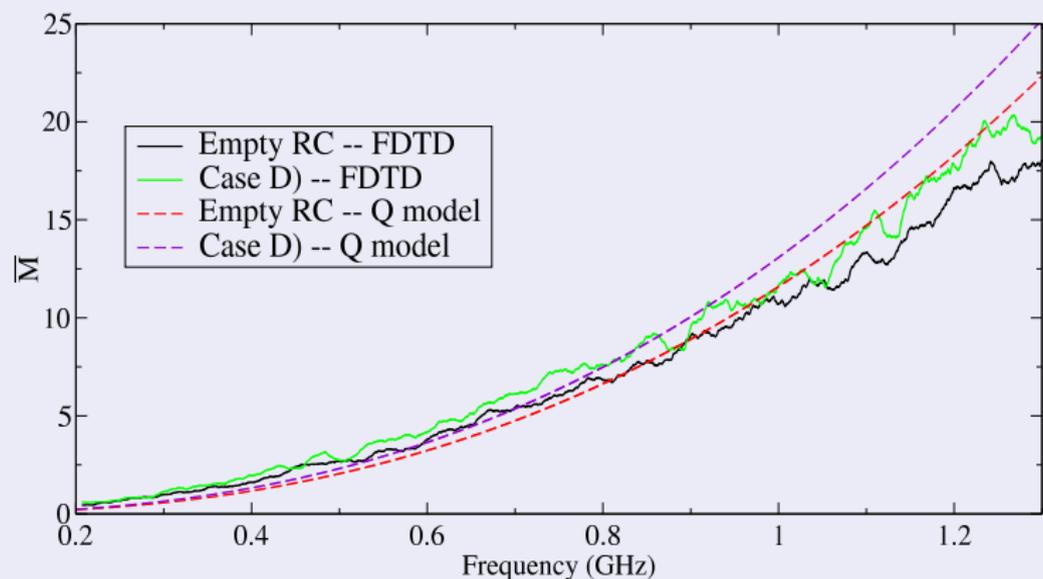
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## Internal power transmission



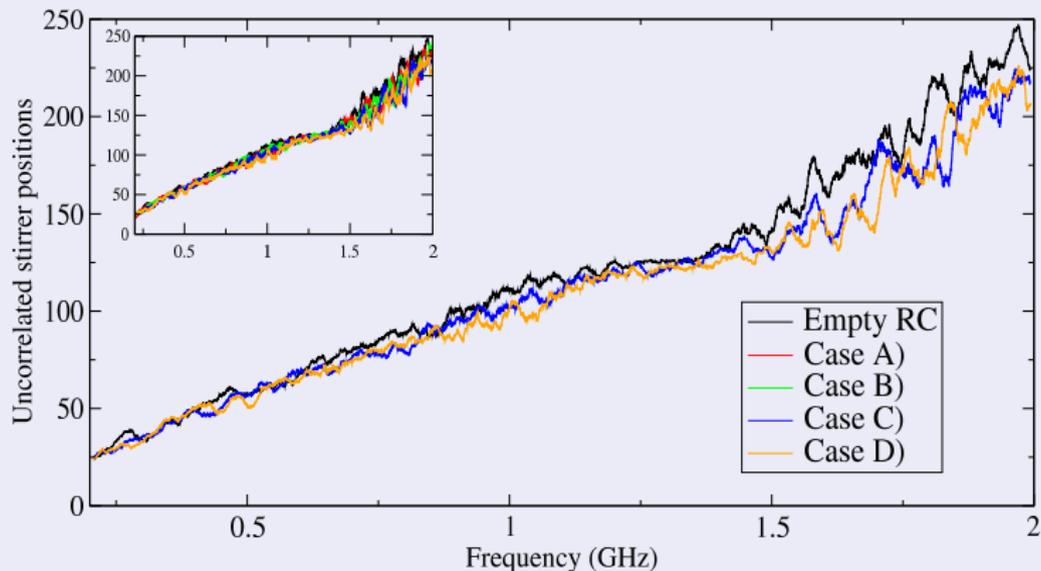
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## Simulated vs estimated modal overlap



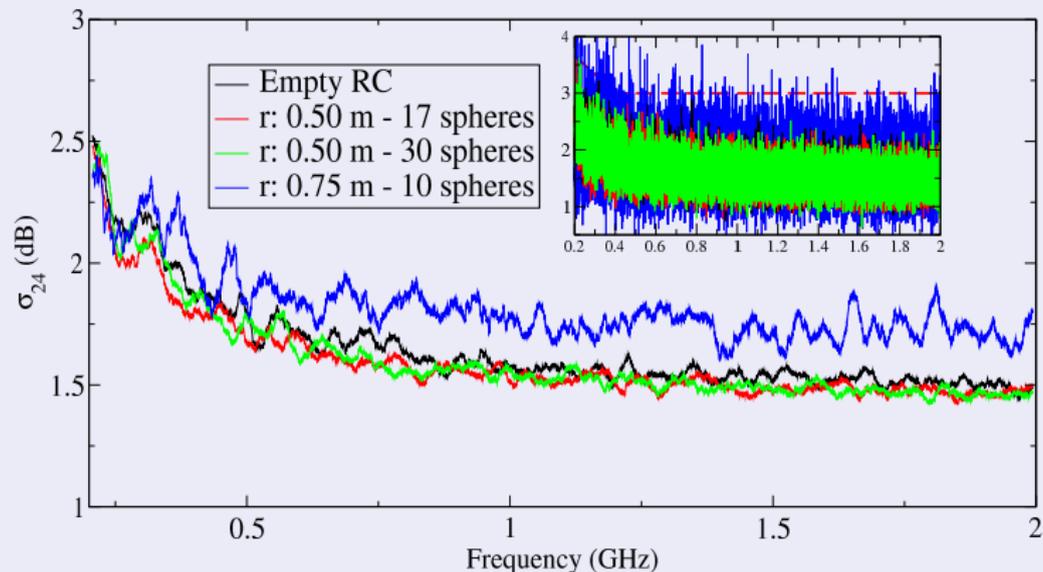
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## Uncorrelated stirrer positions



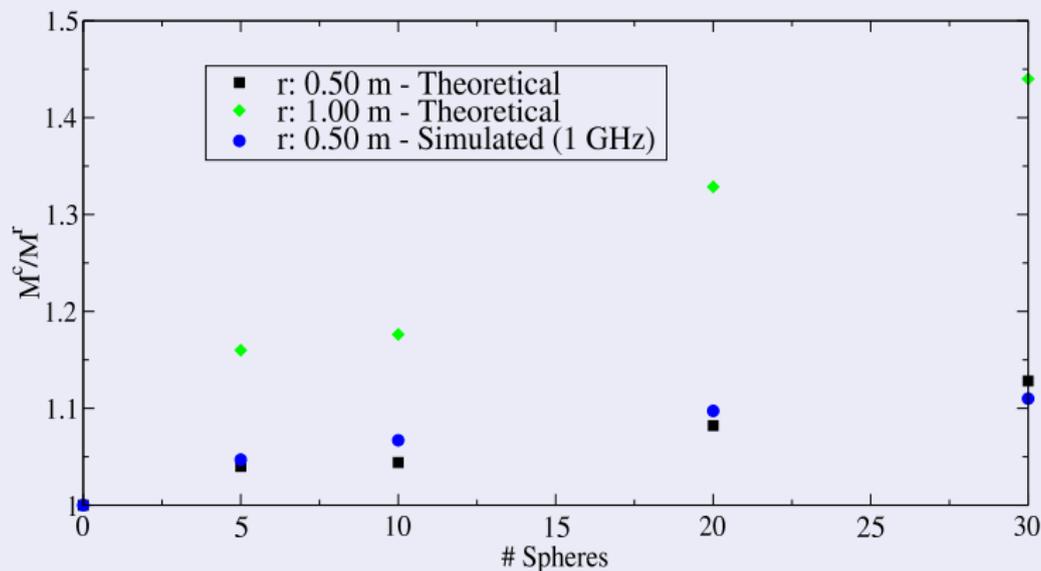
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## Field uniformity – $\sigma_{24}$



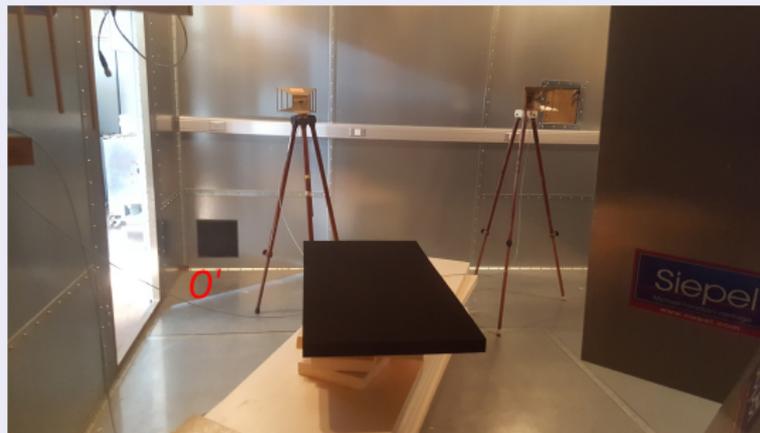
# Simulations

## Modal densities ratio as function of number of spheres



# Experimental setup

## Nottingham's RC



# RC for emulation of real-life wireless environments

$$PDP(t) = \langle |h(t)|^2 \rangle_N, h(t) = \text{IFT}[S_{21}]$$

$$\tau_{\text{RMS}} = \frac{\sqrt{\int_0^\infty (t - \tau_{\text{ave}})^2 PDP(t) dt}}{\int_0^\infty PDP(t) dt}$$

$$\tau_{\text{ave}} = \frac{\int_0^\infty t PDP(t) dt}{\int_0^\infty PDP(t) dt}$$

In order to match the required time delay spread:

- ★ Tuning the PDP by adding absorbing material
- ★ Optimization of absorbing positioning

# Typical Environments

Delay spread (ns)	NLOS Lab	LOS Lab	NLOS Room	LOS Room
Average	93.35	42.09	66.05	38.26
RMS	766.07	395.66	674.46	274.52
Average threshold -30 dB [1]	72.68	36.16	50.75	30.83
RMS threshold -30 dB [1]	34.25	22.54	30.46	20.64

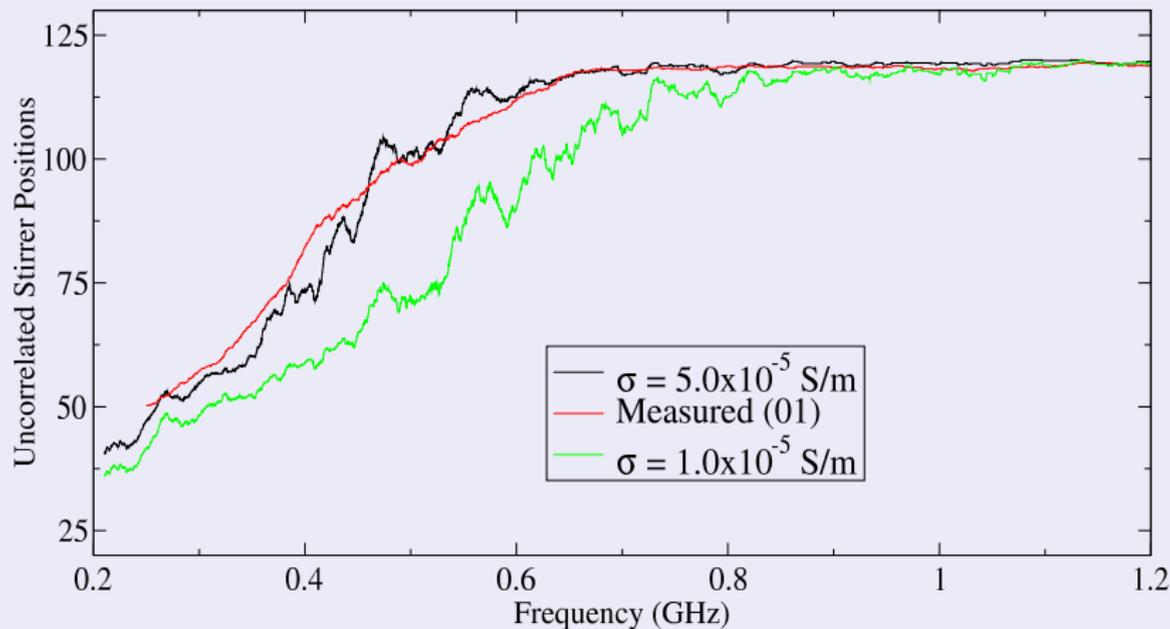
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Scenario		Delay spread (ns)
Indoor Hotspot	LOS	20
	NLOS	39
Urban Micro	LOS	65
	NLOS	129
	O-to-I	49
Suburban Macro	LOS	59
	NLOS	75
Urban Macro	LOS	93
	NLOS	365
Rural Macro	LOS	32
	NLOS	37

ITU Report M.2135-1, Dec. 2009

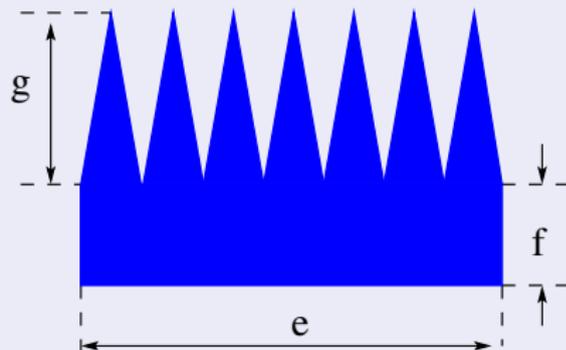
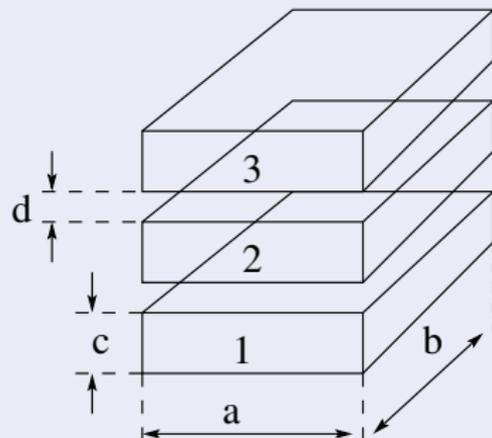
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# Absorbers

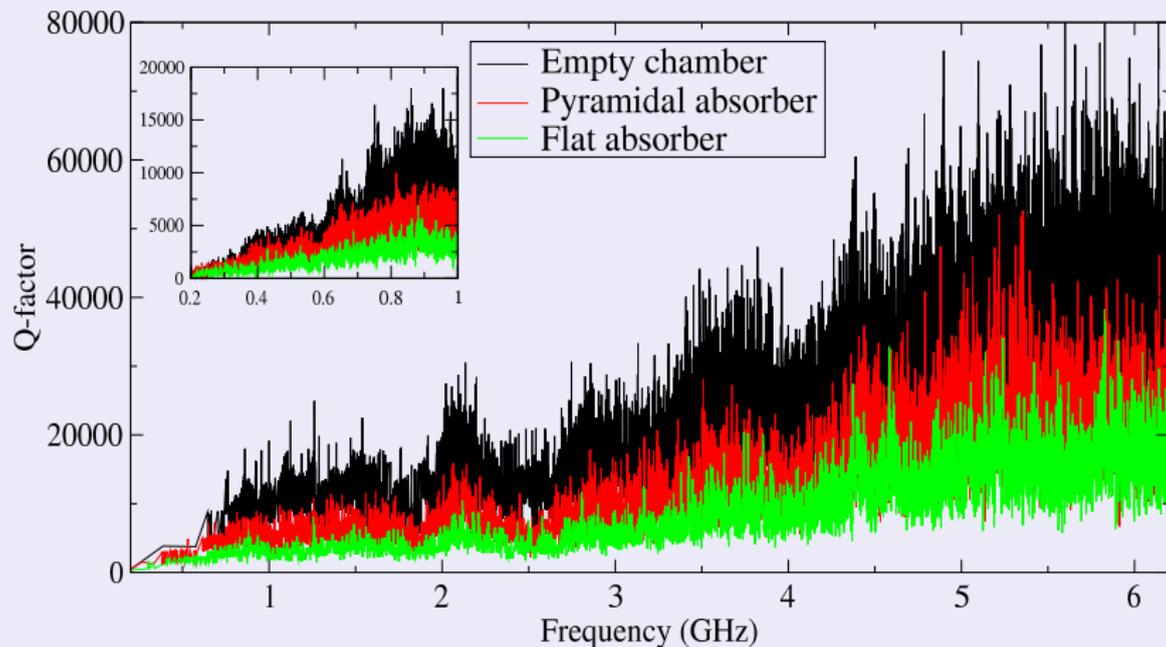
## Measurements and simulations for a single absorber



Layer number	1	2	3
$\epsilon_r$ (VHP-8)	1.2	1.5	1.7
$\sigma$ (S/m) (VHP-8)	0.01	0.05	0.08

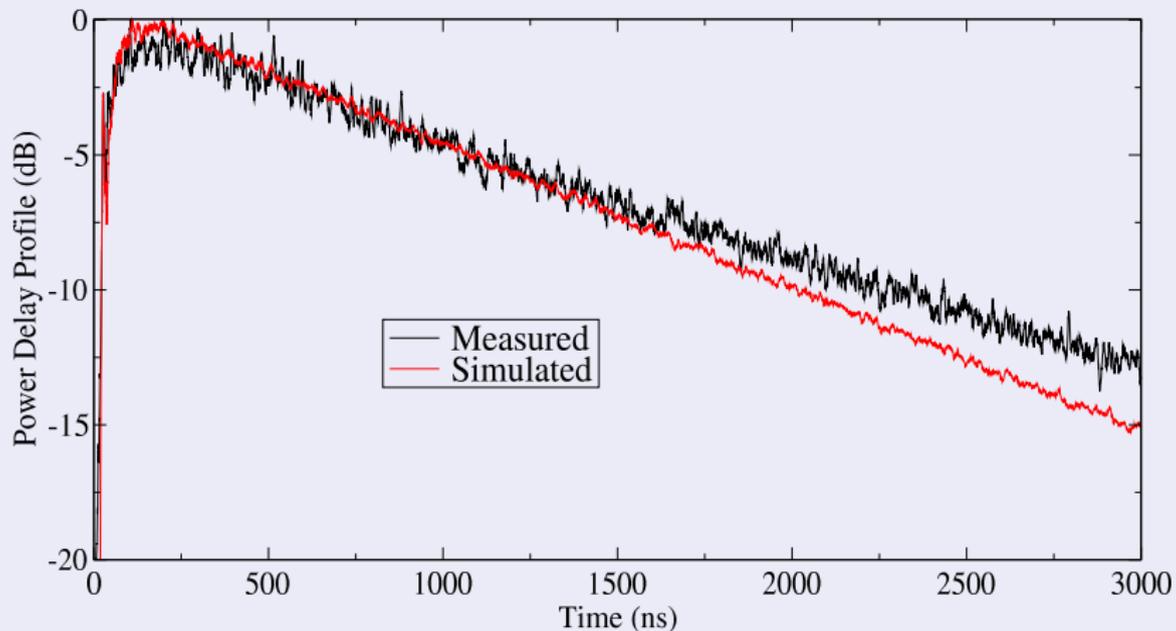
# Results

## Q-factor



# Results

## Power delay profile



# Publications

## Conference Papers

- ★ L. Bastianelli, F. Moglie, V. Mariani Primiani, “*Evaluation of Stirrer Efficiency Varying the Volume of the Reverberation Chamber*” – EMCS 2016 Ottawa
- ★ L. Bastianelli, V. Mariani Primiani, F. Moglie, “*Effect of Loss Distribution on Uncorrelated Spatial Points and Frequency Steps in Reverberation Chambers*” – 2016 EMC EUROPE Wroclaw
- ★ L. Bastianelli, G. Gradoni, F. Moglie, V. Mariani Primiani, “*Full Wave Analysis of Chaotic Reverberation Chambers*” – URSI GASS 2017 – URSI Young Scientist Award Commission E
- ★ G. Gradoni, L. Bastianelli, V. Mariani Primiani, F. Moglie, “*Chaos Enhancement in Reverberation Chambers*” – European Microwave Week 2017
- ★ L. Bastianelli, G. Gradoni, F. Moglie, V. Mariani Primiani, “*Reverberation Chambers Deformed by Spherical Diffractors*” – EMC EUROPE 2017

# Publications

## Ph.D. Thesis

- ★ Luca Bastianelli “*Analysis of Complex and Chaotic Electromagnetic Structures: the Reverberation Chamber and its Applications*” – To be defended in March 2018

## Journal Paper approaching to submission:

- ★ Chaotic Reverberation Chamber: Improving its Performance by Appropriate Boundary Deformations
- ★ Evaluation of the Reverberation Chamber Time Constant From Power Delay Profile and  $\sigma$

# Conclusions

## Measurements and Simulations of Nottingham Facilities

- ★ Comparison between FDTD simulation and experimental results
- ★ Loss effects
- ★ Best load configuration for wireless tests – Power delay profile and time delay spread

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