

tuning range. The discrepancy between simulated frequency and measured frequency is below 500 kHz, which is also within the range of tuning.

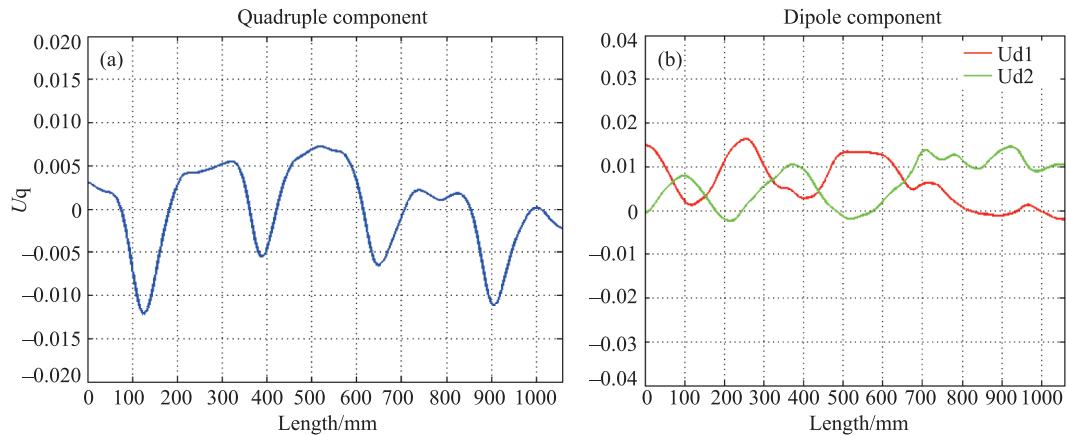


Fig. 5 (color online) The flatness and asymmetry.

6 - 8 Electropolishing of Niobium from Choline Chloride Based Ionic Liquid

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The BCP solutions use mixed acids based on HF acid, which carry significant potential safety hazard during operation. Developing a safe and green polishing solution without HF is an important research subject for cavity's surface treatment^[1]. We adopt green ionic liquids for polishing solution of electropolish niobium samples.

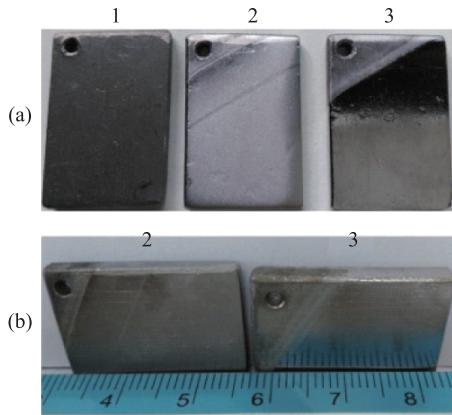


Fig. 1 (color online) Pictures of Nb samples: (1#) without any treatment; (2#) electropolished at 50 °C, 20 min, -5 V; (3#) 80 °C, 20 min, -5 V.

In the experiment, niobium samples were electropolished from a 1:2:1 Choline chloride-urea-ammonium fluoride ionic liquid under different conditions (Fig. 1). The surface of Nb sample without any treatment is dark and uneven (1# of Fig. 1). After electropolished at 50 °C, the surface of Nb sample become smooth, but the glossiness is not good (2# of Fig. 1). Improving the electropolishing temperature to 80 °C, the glossiness of Nb becomes good and the surface becomes even (3# of Fig. 1). In order to compare the electropolishing effect intuitively, put a ruler before the treated samples. Sample 3# has a certain mirror effect, but sample 2# does not. A smoother and better glossiness Nb can be achieved from choline chloride based under properly controlled conditions.

Reference

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