

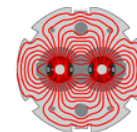


# **Nb3Sn Accelerator Magnet R&D and LHC Luminosity Upgrades**

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## Introduction

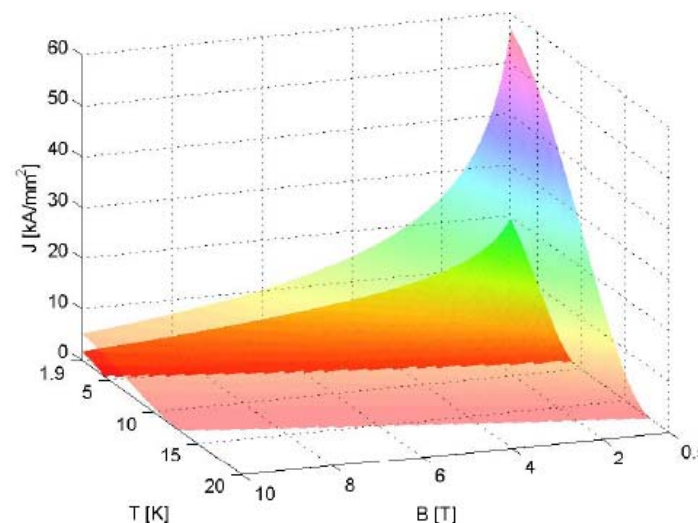


### ❖ **Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets provide**

- **higher fields –  $B_c2 \sim 27$  T**
- **Higher temperature margin –  $T_c \sim 18$  K**
- **More efficient coil – high  $J_c$**

### ❖ **Possible applications:**

- **LHC upgrades, critical ILC components, MC magnet systems, future HC, etc.**



### ❖ **During past 15 years Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn accelerator magnet R&D was centered in U.S.**

- **since 2003 it is coordinated by US-LARP**

### ❖ **Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn is brittle material => new coil fabrication techniques**

- **special attention to coil handling, assembly and operation.**

### ❖ **Fermilab's Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Program focuses on shell-type coils, the W&R method, new and traditional mechanical structures.**

### ❖ **The primary goal - new generation IR quadrupoles for the planned LHC luminosity upgrades**



## *Outlines*



### ❖ **Nb3Sn Accelerator magnets**

- **Strands and cable**
- **Coils**
- **Mechanical structures**
- **R&D issues**

### ❖ **Technology development and demonstration**

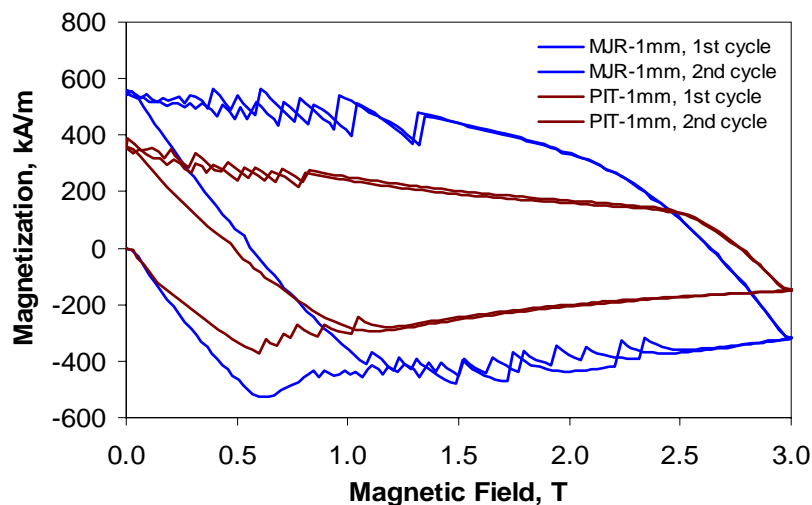
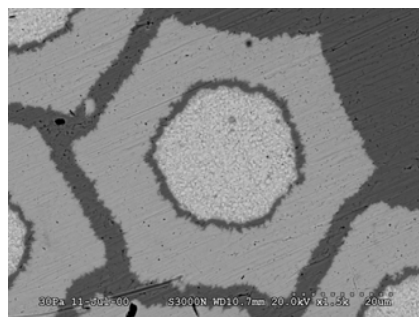
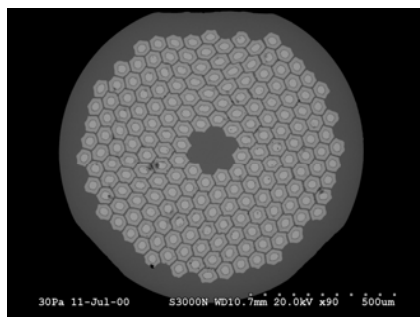
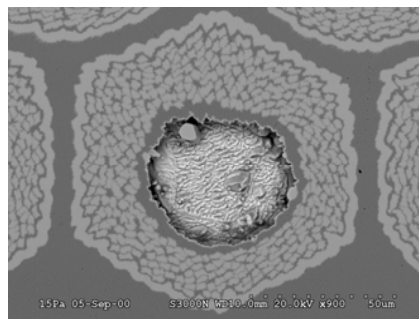
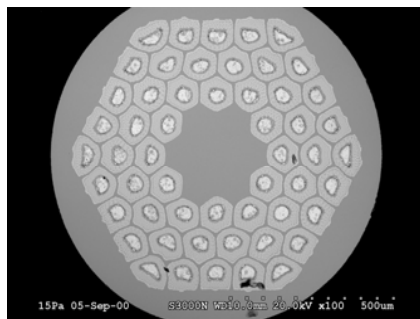
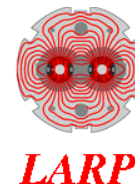
- **Short model R&D**
- **Nb3Sn technology scale up**
- **Issues and next steps**

### ❖ **Nb3Sn IRQ for the LHC upgrade**

- **Phase I and Phase II**



## *Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Strands*



### ❖ Two basic technologies of high-J<sub>c</sub> strands

- IT – MJR, RRP (OST, U.S.)
- PIT – (ESC, EU)

### ❖ Strand properties

- High J<sub>c</sub>
- Relatively large deff

### ❖ Issues

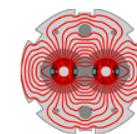
- Large magnetization
- Flux jumps

### ❖ Effect on magnet performance

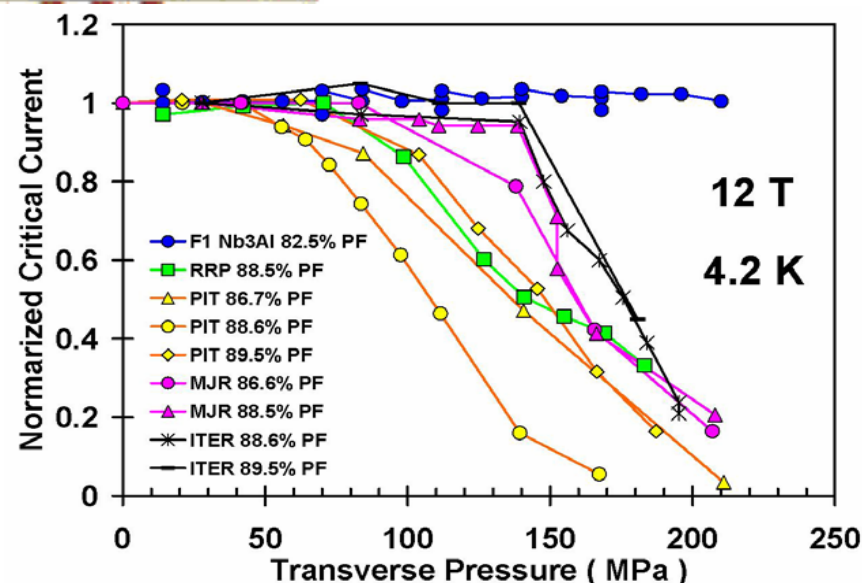
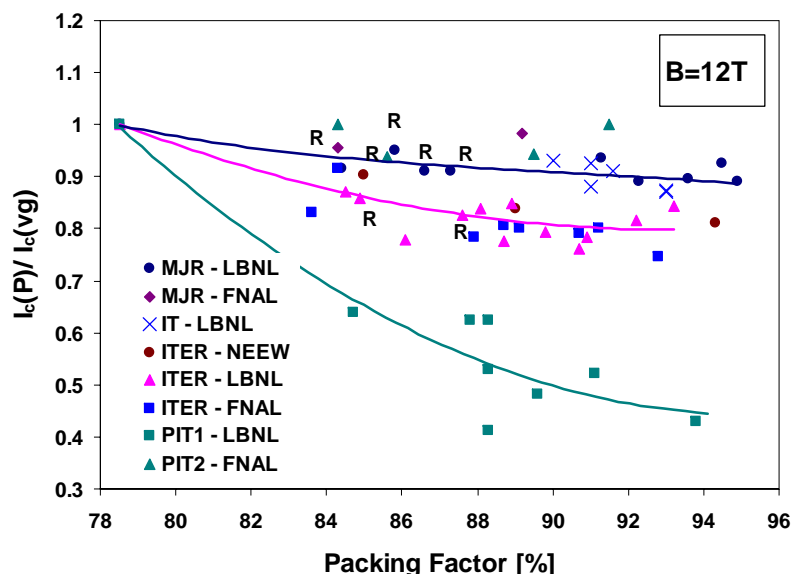
- quench performance
- field quality



# *Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Rutherford Cable*



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## Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Rutherford cable issues:

- ❖ **I<sub>c</sub> degradation due to plastic deformation=>low packing factor=>cable mechanical stability=>coil winding**
- ❖ **Sub-element deformation/breakage/merging during cabling=>deff and RRR=>flux jump instabilities**
- ❖ **I<sub>c</sub> degradation due to transverse pressure=>coil pre-stress limit**
- ❖ **Strand sintering during reacting=>low interstrand resistance=>field quality, quench performance**



## *Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Coils*



### ❖ Coil fabrication technology

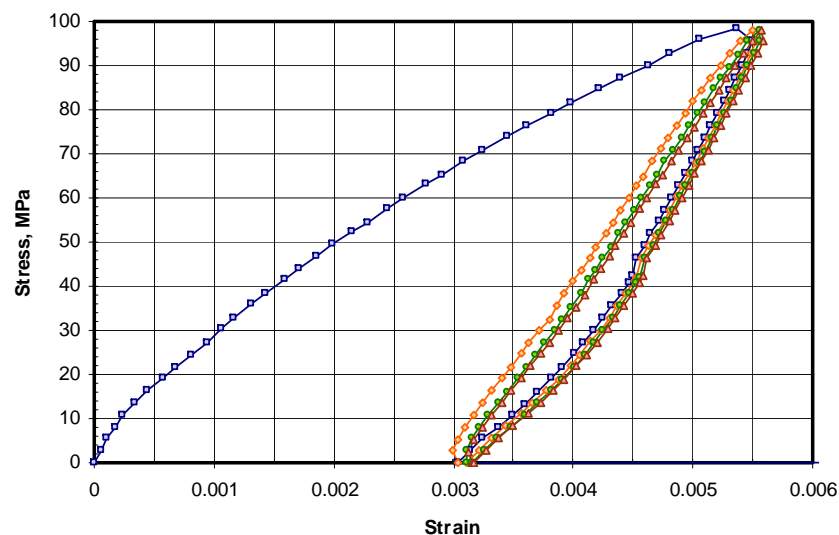
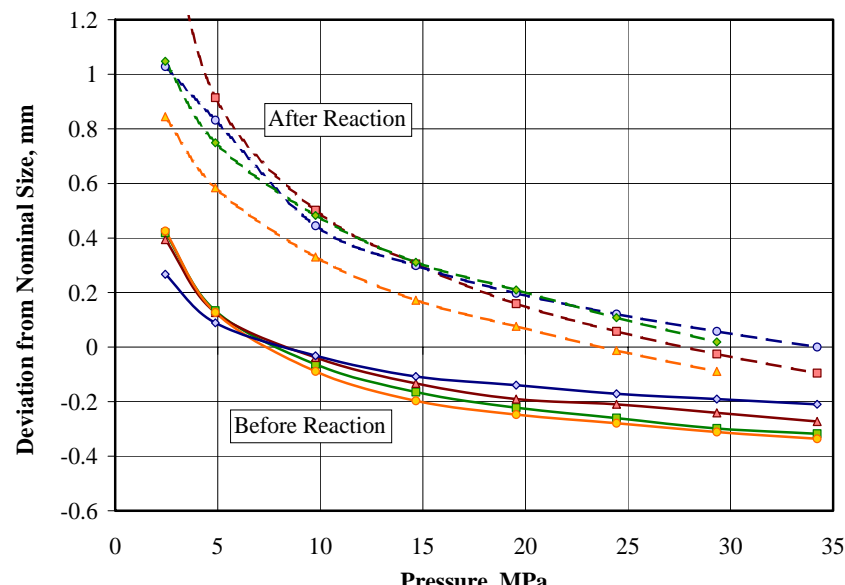
- W&R method
- special high-temperature insulation
- metallic coil components
- ceramic binder
- coil vacuum impregnation with epoxy

### ❖ Issues

- Conductor expansion after reaction=>coil geometry
- Coil plasticity=>coil size measurement, coil pre-stress

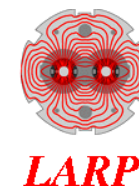
### ❖ Impact=>magnet geometry and pre-stress

- Quench performance
- Field quality
- Scale up





## Mechanical Structures



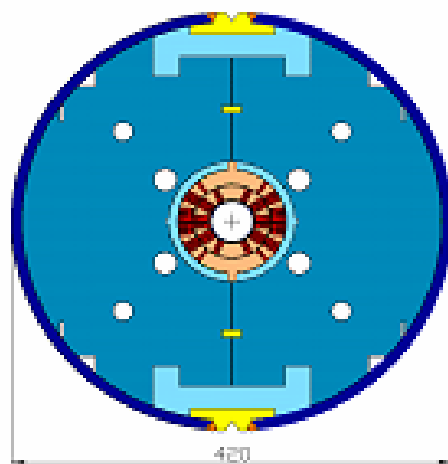
### ❖ Structures

- The traditional collar-based structure
- Shell-type structures - SS or Al shells
- Hybrid

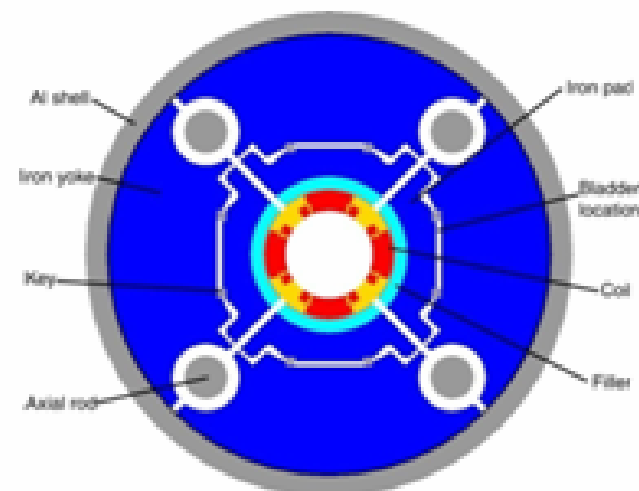
### ❖ Issues

- safe coil pre-stress up to high stress ( $\sim 150$  MPa)
- radial and axial support
- precise geometry and alignment

### Stainless Steel Shell (Fermilab)



### Aluminum Shell (LBNL)



### Hybrid - SS collar and Shell



## *R&D Issues*

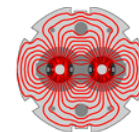


- ❖ **Strand  $J_c$ , magnetization, stability**
- ❖ **Sub-element deformation/breakage/merging during cabling**
- ❖  **$I_c$  degradation due to transverse pressure**
- ❖ **Interstrand resistance control**
- ❖ **Coil fabrication, geometry control, mechanical properties**
- ❖ **Coil pre-stress and support with mechanical structure**





## *Dipole Models*



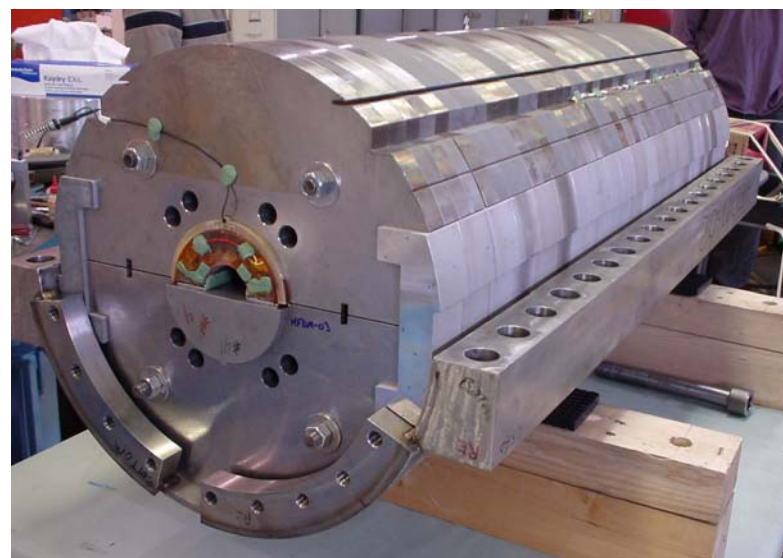
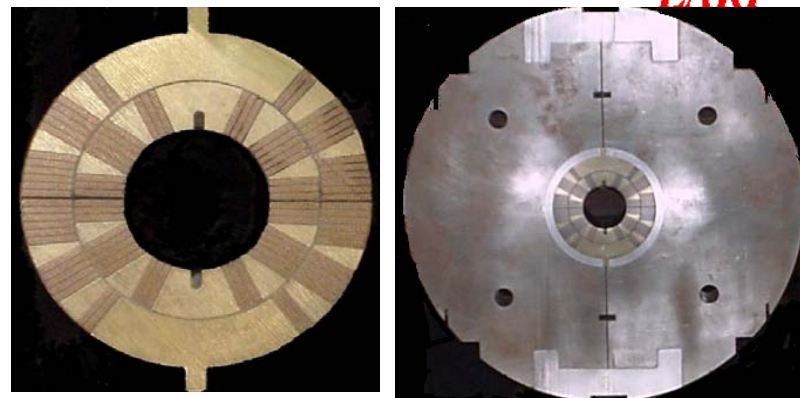
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### **Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn dipole models (HFDA):**

- **Compact mechanical structure**
- **High-J<sub>c</sub> 1-mm Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn strand**
- **27-28 strand cable**
- **2-layer coil**
- **43.5-mm diameter bore**
- **Maximum field ~12 T at 4.5 K**

### **Magnetic mirror (HFDM):**

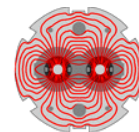
- **The same mechanical structure and assembly procedure**
- **Advanced instrumentation**
- **Shorter turnaround time**
- **Lower cost**



**HFDA dipole & HFDM mirror**



## Technology Quadrupoles (TQ)



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### **LARP Technology quadrupole (TQ):**

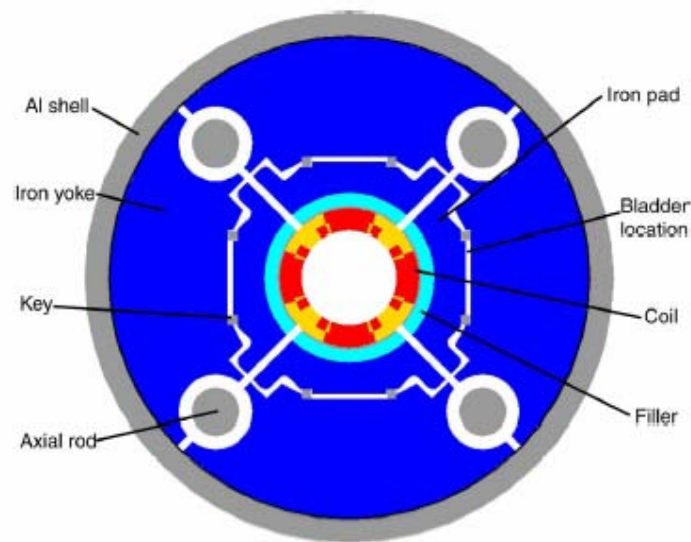
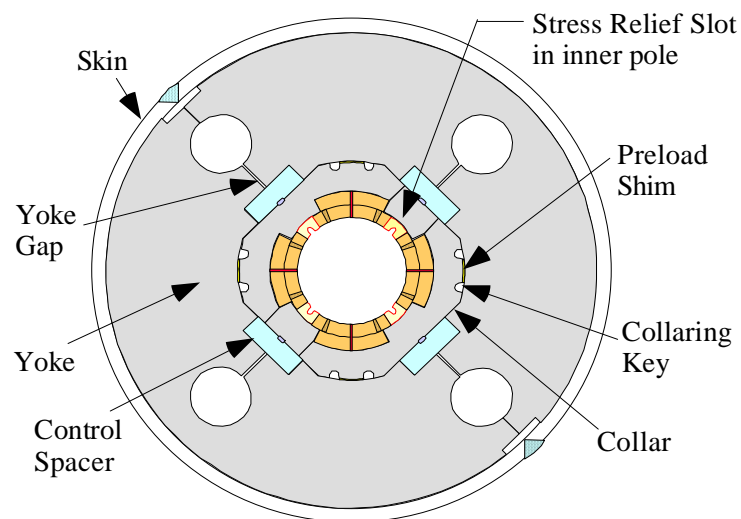
- **TQC - Hybrid mechanical structure (collar, yoke, SS skin)**
- **TQS – Al shell based structure**

#### **❖ Design features:**

- **same two-layer coil design and technology**
- **same Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn strand and cable**
- **High-J<sub>c</sub> 0.7-mm Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn strand**
- **27 strand cable**
- **2-layer coil**
- **90-mm diameter bore**

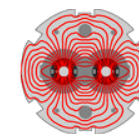
#### **❖ Design parameters**

- **G<sub>max</sub>~230/250 T/m at 4.5/1.9 K (B<sub>max</sub>~12-13 T)**





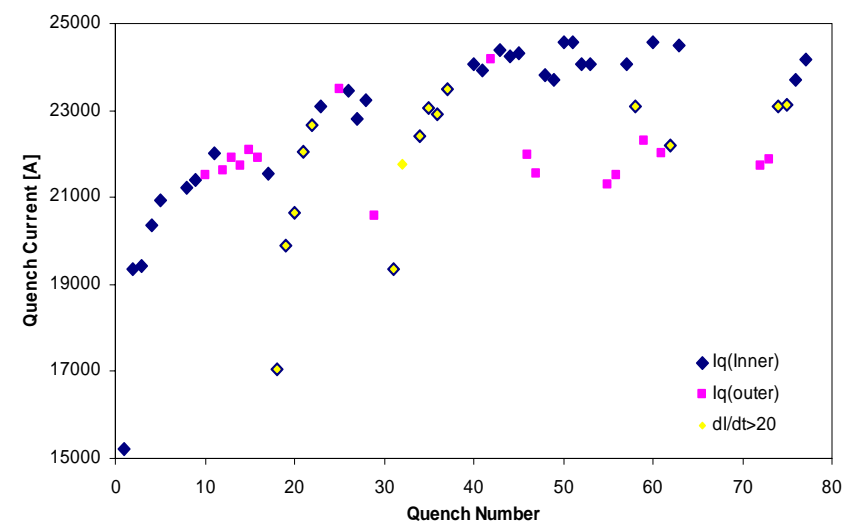
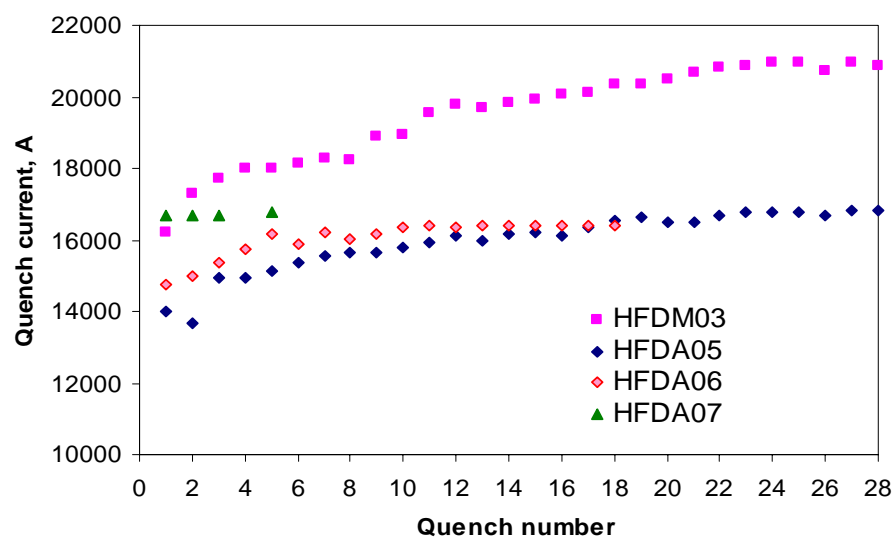
## Dipole Model Quench Performance



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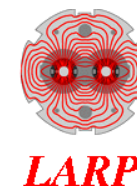
**6 short dipole and 6 mirror models were fabricated and tested**

- ❖ Models with 1-mm MJR-54/61 strand => flux jump limitations.
- ❖ Models with 1-mm PIT-196 strand, reached 9.4 T @4.5K and ~10.2 T @2.2K (100% of PIT strand SSL).
- ❖ Dipole mirror model with 1-mm RRP 108/127 strand, reached ~11.4 T at 4.5 K (97% of SSL)
  - instabilities at ~21kA
- ❖ General features
  - Training starts at ~80% of magnet Short Sample Limit (SSL)
  - Quite long training





# TQC Quench Performance



## ❖ 4 TQC and 5 TQS models

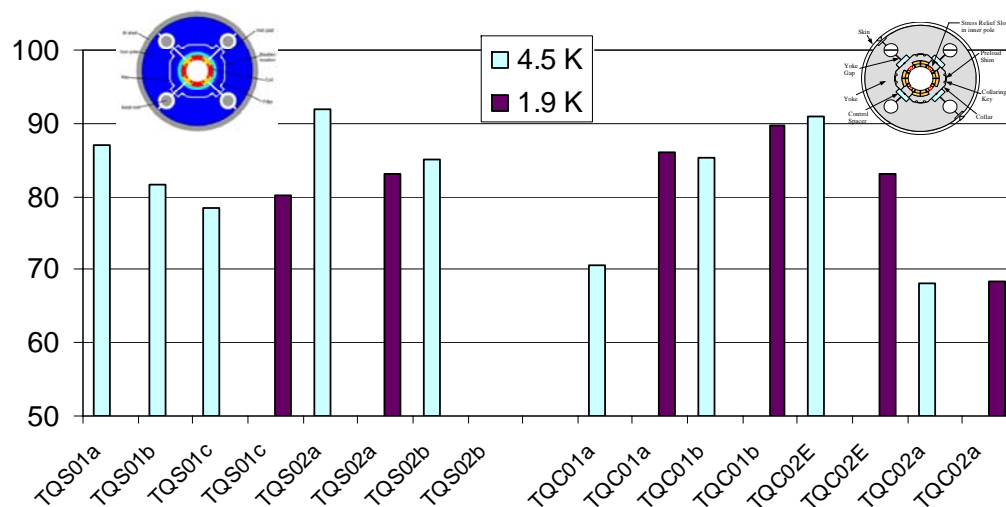
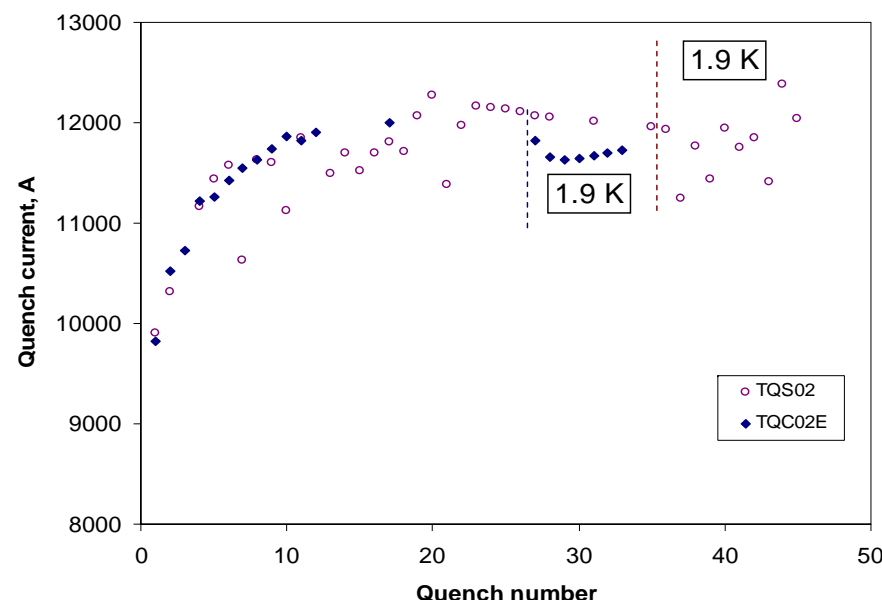
- MJR 54/61 - low  $J_c$  strand
- RRP 54/61 - high- $J_c$  strand

## ❖ Performance

- MJR models:  $G_{max} \sim 200$  T/m at 1.9 K
- RRP models:  $G_{max} \sim 200-215$  T/m at 4.5 K

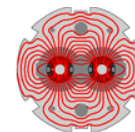
## ❖ TQC and TQS comparison:

- Quite long training (similar to dipole models)
- ~10% or higher degradation at 4.5K
- Flux jumps in models made of high- $J_c$  RRP strands



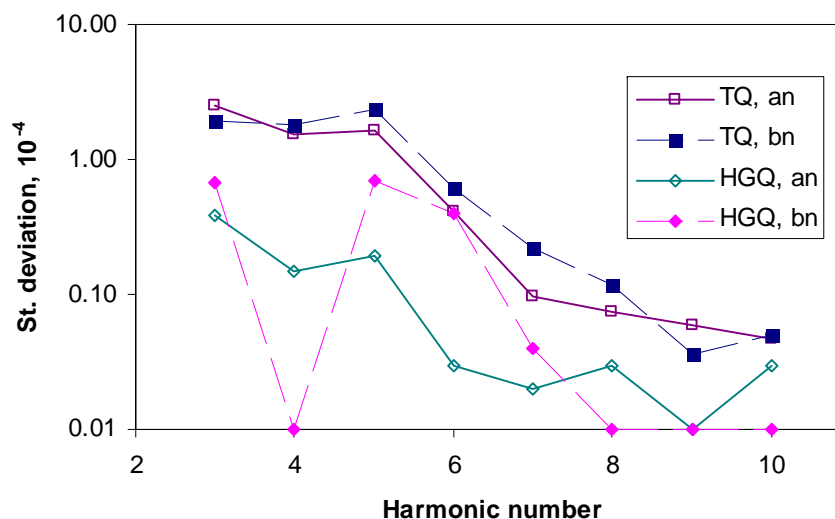
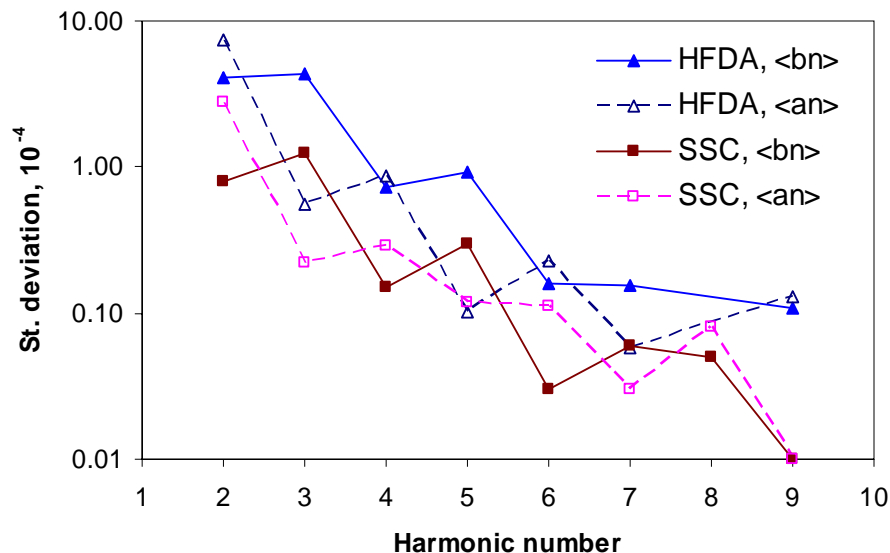


## Field Quality



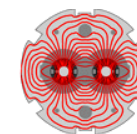
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- ❖ 6 HFDA models vs. first 6 40-mm SSC dipole models
- ❖ 4 Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn TQ (TQC and TQS) models vs. NbTi HGQ models.
- ❖ Field harmonics are still larger in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn models  
 <= new technology
- ❖ The geometry and alignment of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets need to be improved



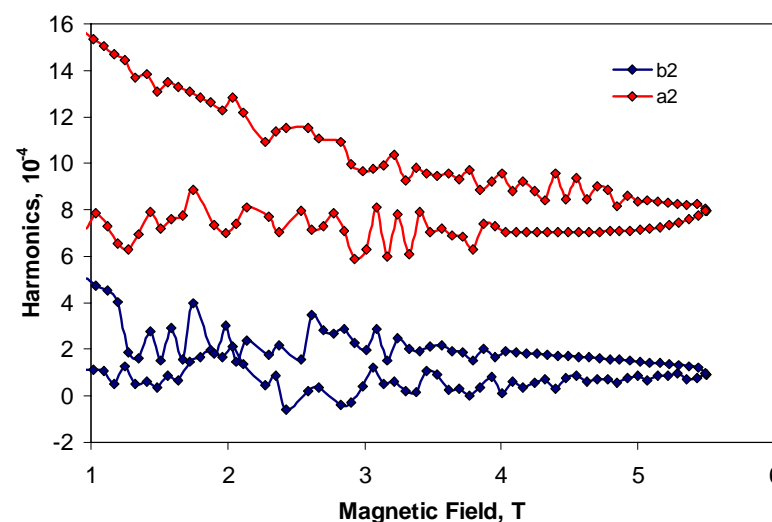
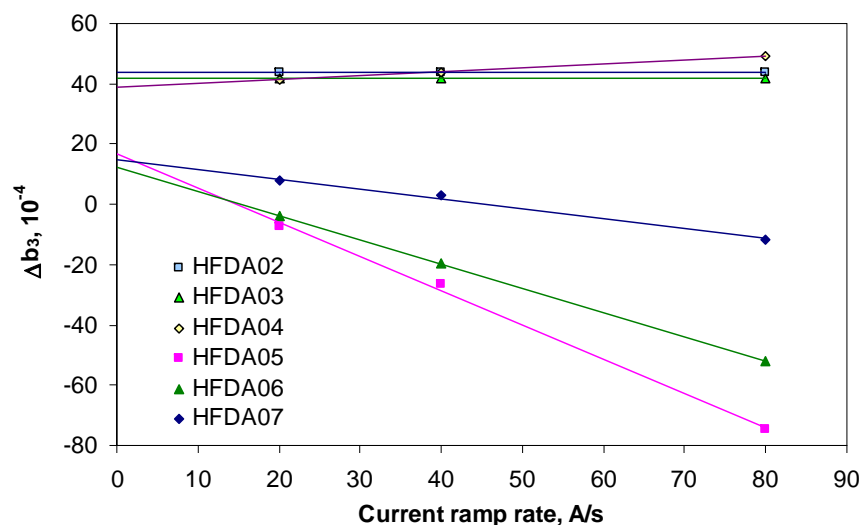
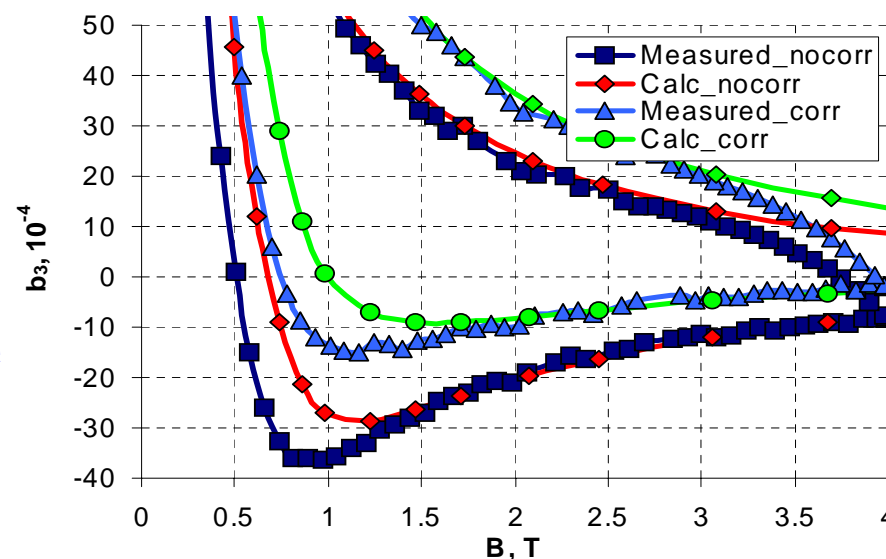


## Coil Magnetization Effects



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- ❖ The persistent current effect is large but reproducible
- ❖ flux jumps in low order harmonics in dipole models  
=> smaller  $Deff$
- ❖ Passive correction to reduce the persistent current effect
- ❖ Large variations of the eddy current components  
=> cable with a SS core





## **Short Model R&D Summary**



### ❖ **Coil production:**

- **20 dipole and 29 quadrupole 1-m long coils**
  - Good size reproducibility
  - Short fabrication time (comparable with NbTi technology)

### ❖ **Robust mechanical structures**

### ❖ **Handling and testing:**

- **6 dipole models, 6 dipole mirror models, and 9 LARP TQ models based on different mechanical structures**
- **Multiple reassembly without degradation**
- **Coil and magnet transportation across the country**

### ❖ **The possibilities and present limitations of accelerator field quality in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn dipoles and quadrupoles were demonstrated**

### ❖ **Issues => quite long training, degradation, reproducibility**

### ❖ **Solution => improve or provide larger margin (10%degradation+20%training)**





## ***Nb3Sn Technology Scale Up***

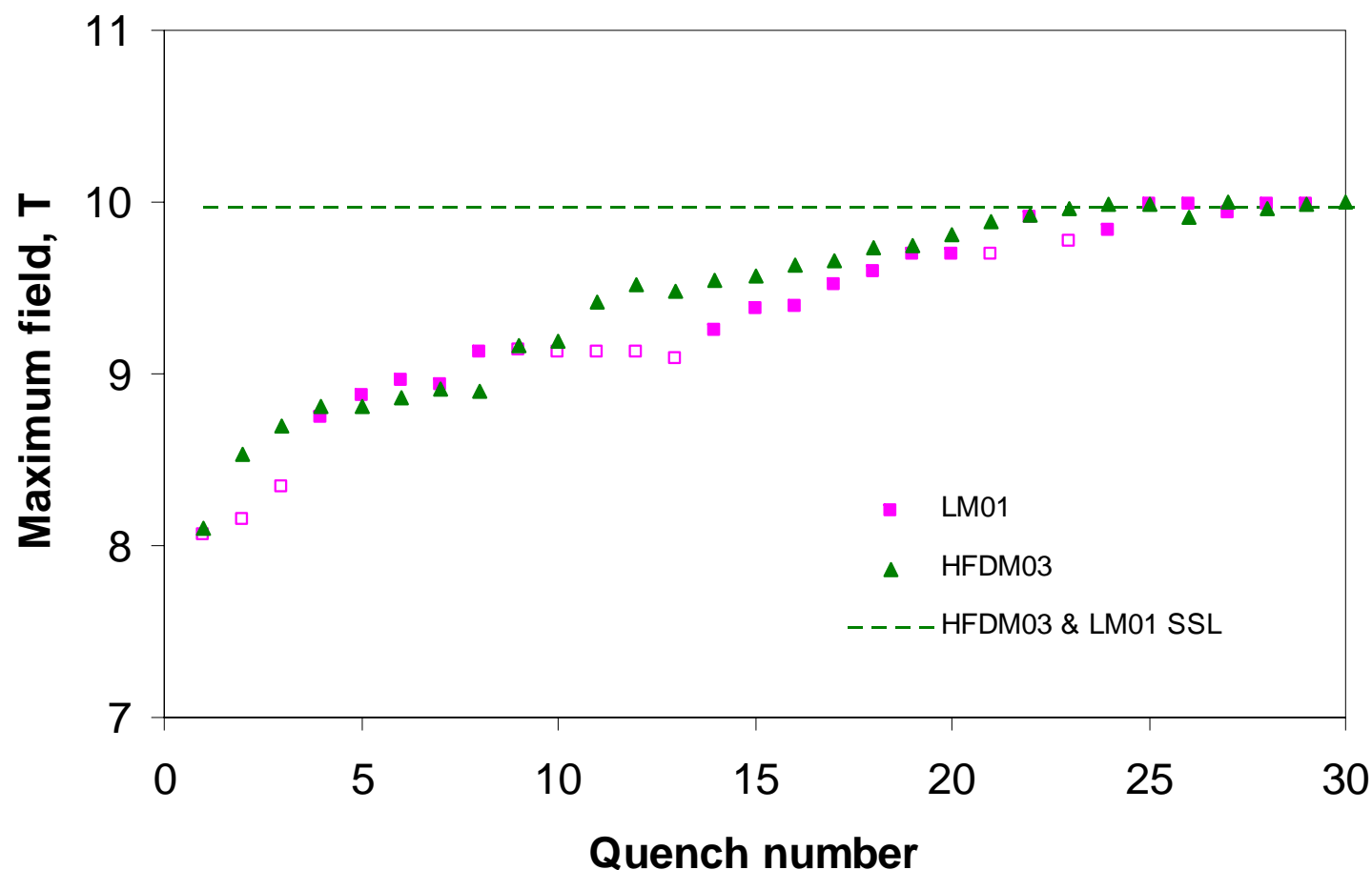
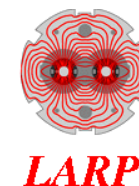


- ❖ **Nb3Sn accelerator magnet technology scale up was successfully started**
- ❖ **Goals:**
  - **Long Nb3Sn coil winding, curing, reaction, impregnation, handling, magnet assembly and testing procedures**
  - **Infrastructure for LARP and future LHC upgrade project**
  - **Long coil performance**
- ❖ **Stages:**
  - **2-m long cos-theta coil (Fermilab, June 2007)**
  - **4-m long racetrack coils (BNL/LBNL, July 2007-February 2008).**
  - **4-m long cos-theta coil (Fermilab, December-January 2008)**
- ❖ **Next step:**
  - **LARP 4-m long quadrupoles of TQ series (BNL/FNAL/LBNL, 2009).**





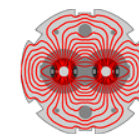
## 2-m Long Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Coil Performance (PIT)



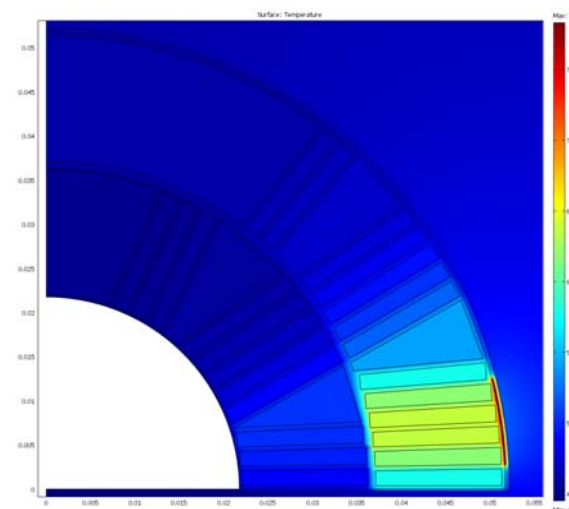
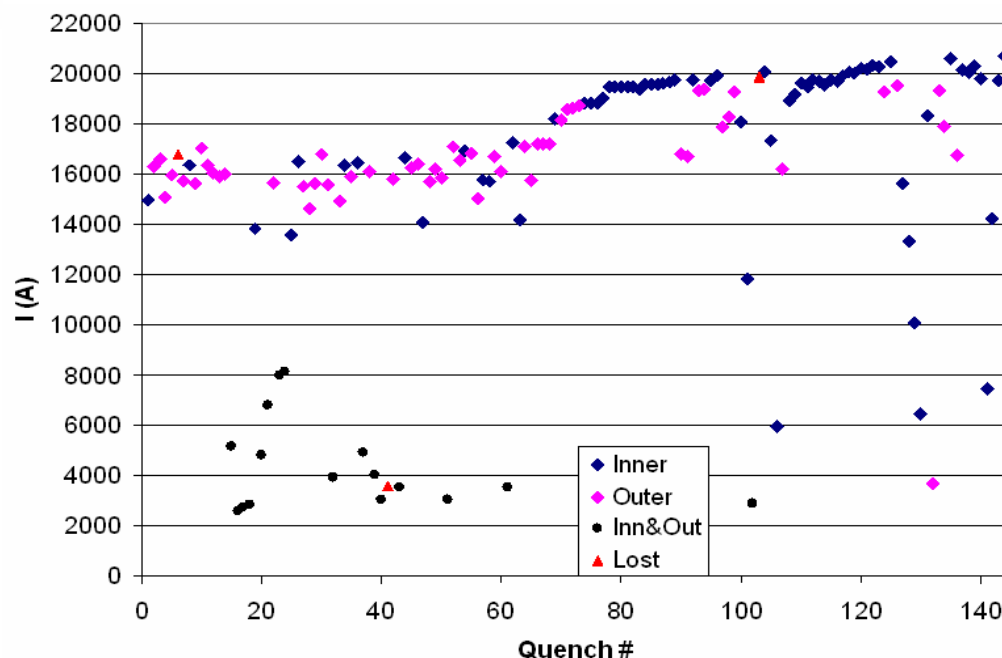
- ❖ **1-m and 2-m long PIT mirror models reached their SSL**
  - **identical quench performance typical for Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets**



## 4-m Long Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Coil Performance (RRP)



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### ❖ 4-m long RRP mirror:

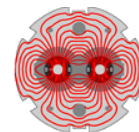
- Flux jump instabilities at  $I \sim 16$  kA (comp. with  $\sim 21$  kA in short mirror)
- $I_{\max} \sim 90\%$  of SSL at 4.5 K (97% in short mirror)
  - training was not finished

### ❖ 4-m long RRP racetrack (BNL):

- $I_{\max} \sim 96\%$  of SSL at 4.5 K  $\leq$  simpler mechanics, low coil pre-stress
- Flux jumps caused few low-current quenches



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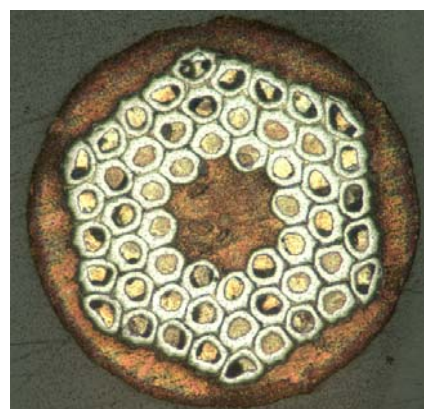
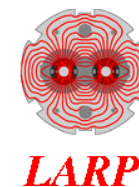


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- ❖ **All coils survived the quite complicate fabrication process and assembly with long mechanical structures**
- ❖ **Possibilities and present limitations of the long coil quench performance were demonstrated**
- ❖ **Issues**
  - **long training, some degradation similar to short models => Flux jump limitations**
- ❖ **Solution**
  - **improve or provide larger margin (10% degradation + 20% training)**
- ❖ **The optimization and use of more stable high-Jc RRP strand is critical for magnet performance improvement.**
- ❖ **Next steps:**
  - **Field quality and alignment**
  - **Long term performance**



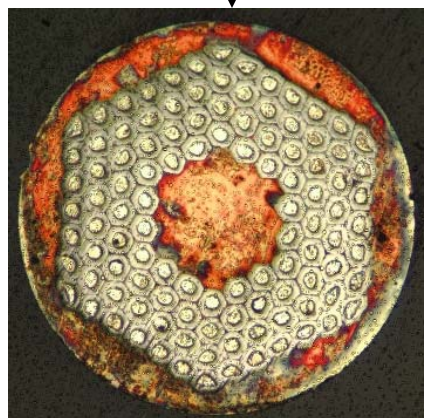
## *Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Strand Improvement (OST)*



**Increase  
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Number**

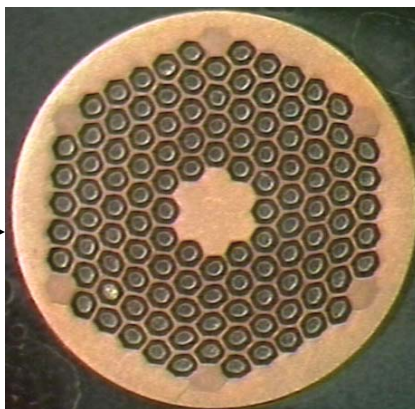
61 stack

127 stack

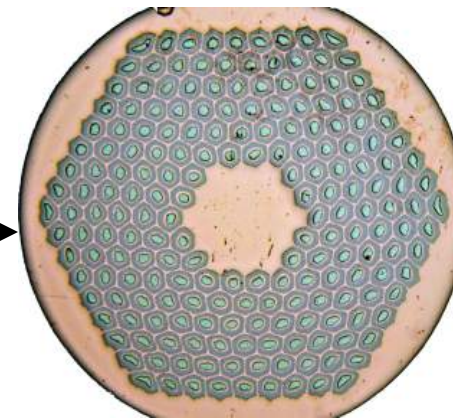


**Increase  
SE  
Spacing**

127 stack, spaced



217 stack, spaced



- ❖ **Increase sub-element number without losing  $J_c$ , RRR**
  - improve stability
- ❖ **Sub-element number and layout optimization**
  - reduce SE deformation and damage
  - increase Cu/nonCu ratio



## *LHC Upgrade phases*



### ❖ **Baseline LHC inner triplets:**

- **$L_{\text{nom}} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$**
- **$\beta^* = 0.5 \text{ m}$**
- **70 mm NbTi IR quadrupoles**
- **205 T/m nominal gradient with 20% margin**
- **1.9 K operating temperature**
- **Limitations: aperture, operation margin, lifetime**

### ❖ **Phase I (~2012-2013):**

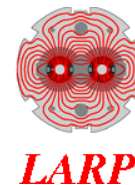
- **$L \sim 2.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$**

### ❖ **Phase II (TBD, ~2018?):**

- **$L \sim 10 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$**



## Phase II



### ❖ Phase II: $L \sim 10 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- Stronger focusing
  - Higher beam intensity
  - Crab cavities or D0 to reduce effect of crossing angle
- => **Large aperture strong Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn quadrupoles**

### ❖ LARP studies (2002-2006):

- 100-mm quads with a tungsten liner are compatible with  $\beta^* \sim 0.25 \text{ m}$  and  $L \sim 10 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ 
  - T. Sen, N. Mokhov et al.
- coil bore limit for Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn quadrupoles for G<sub>nom</sub>=205 T/m + 20% margin is 110 mm
  - V. Kashikhin, A. Zlobin et al.
- 110 mm quadrupoles may be sufficient to achieve Phase II goals (to be confirmed)

### ❖ Studies will continue by JIRS group



## Phase I



### ❖ Phase I (~2012-2013): $L \sim 2.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- Stronger focusing ( $\beta^* = 0.25 \text{ m}$ )
- Reduce some limitations on intensity due to **collimators**
- Large aperture Nb-Ti quadrupoles with available LHC cable.

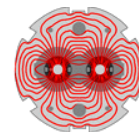
### ❖ Two preferable optics:

- Lowbetamax (LBM) and Symmetric
  - R. de Maria, J-P. Koutchouck, E. Todesco et al.

	Lowbetamax			Symmetric		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Aperture, mm	90	130		130		
Magnetic length, m	7.4	17.1	9.8	9.2	15.6	9.2
Nominal gradient, T/m	168	122		122		
Margin, %	20					
Nominal current, kA	12.5					
Field quality at Gnom, 10 <sup>-4</sup>	<1					



## **Nb3Sn Magnet Options**



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**Nb3Sn magnets: slot and operation current compatibility**

**Larger aperture => more complicate magnet => larger risk => ...**

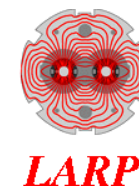
- ❖ **TQ: insufficient margin, difficulties with quench protection**
- ❖ **130-mm options: complicate magnets with limited technical benefits for LHC performance**
- ❖ **IRQ-90 with 15 mm cable: Q1 option for Phase I with LBM optics**
  - o **A. Zlobin et al., EPAC'2002, ASC'2002**
- ❖ **IRQ-110 options: Q1 or Q3 in Phase I with both LBM or Symmetric optics, consistent with Phase II magnet parameters**

	TQC-90	IRQ-90	IRQ-110	IRQ-130	HQ-130
Strand OD, mm	0.7				0.8
Coil ID, mm	90	90	110	130	134
Bare cable width, mm	10	15			
Strand Jc(12T, 4.2K), kA/mm <sup>2</sup>	2.5				
Bmax(1.9K), T	12.9	13.8	14.4	14.5	14.5
Gmax(1.9K), T/m	248	268	229	193	190
Gnom(12.5kA)	208	186	180	156	136
W(12.5kA), kJ/m	358	384	674	923	702
Fx (12.5kA), kN/m	1.13	1.23	1.98	2.40	2
Fy (12.5kA), kN/m	-1.65	-1.54	-2.38	-2.90	-2.3
Gmax/Gnom	1.19	1.44	1.28	1.24	1.43
Jcu, A/mm <sup>2</sup>	2407	1546	1585	1585	1345



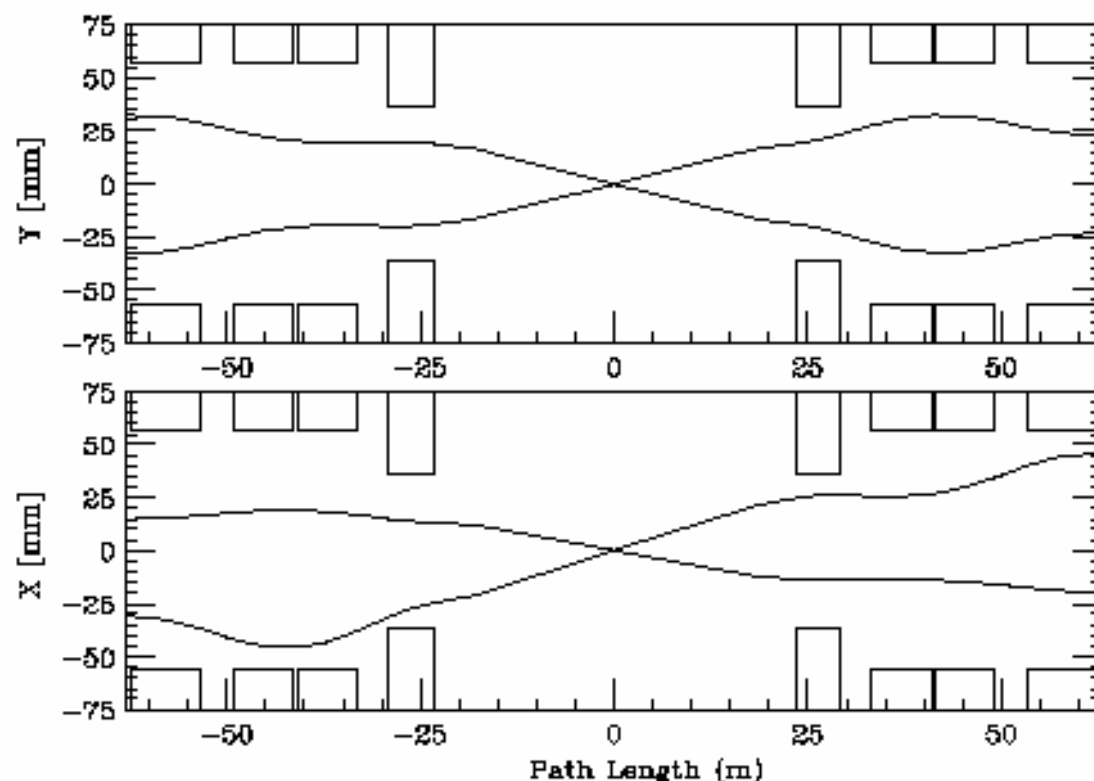


## **LBM Optics with 90-mm Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Q1**



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LBM 9σ Beam Envelope & Magnet Apertures



Magnet apertures includes the beam pipe, He channel, and beam screen  $2 \times (3 + 4.5 + 1)$  mm.

The 9sigma beam envelope includes a 10% increase in the beam size and beam separation, plus a  $2 \times 8.6$  mm orbit error correction.

**Optimized LBM optics  
(J. Johnstone,  
2008):**

❖ **Q1=90 mm**

**NbTi:**

❖ **G=167.21 T/m**

❖ **L=7.025 m**

**Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn:**

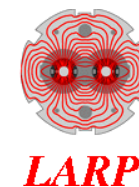
❖ **G=186 T/m**

❖ **L=6.315 m**

❖ **Shorter Q1 is  
shifted towards IP  
=> space for  
additional absorber**

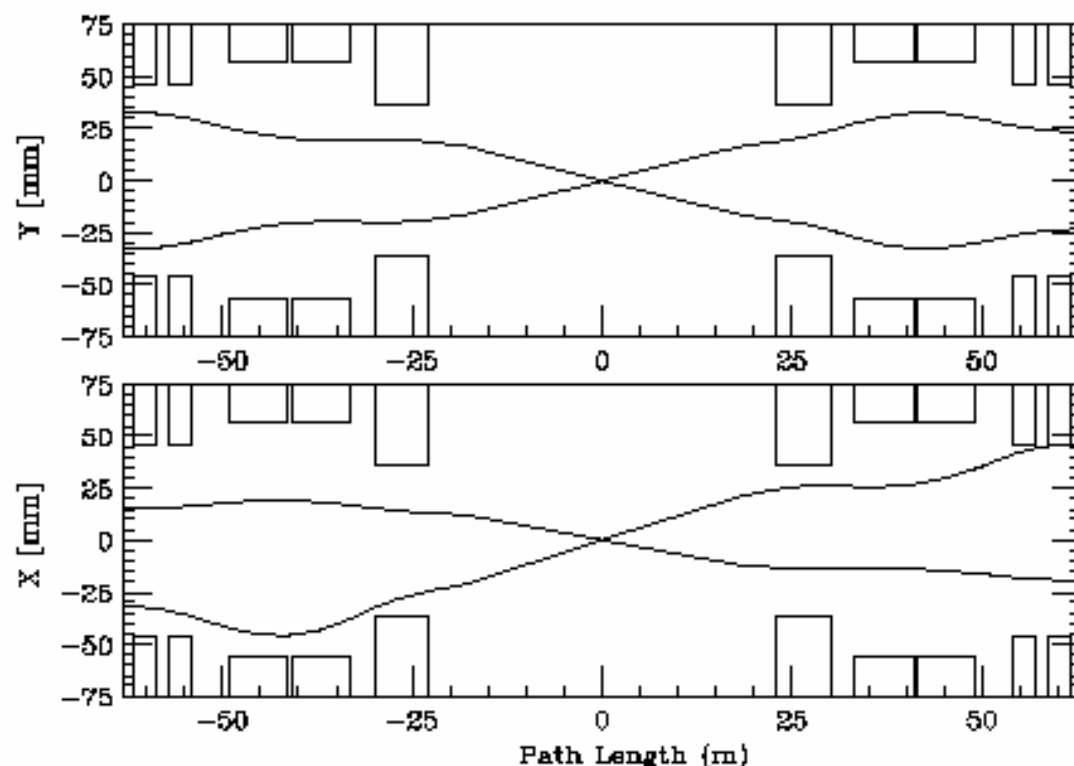


## **LBM Optics with 110-mm Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Q3**



**LARP**

LBM 9 $\sigma$  Beam Envelope & Magnet Apertures



Magnet apertures includes the beam pipe, He channel, and beam screen  $2 \times (3 + 4.5 + 1)$  mm.

The 9sigma beam envelope includes a 10% increase in the beam size and beam separation, plus a  $2 \times 8.6$  mm orbit error correction.

❖ **Optimized LBM optics (J. Johnstone, 2008):**

**NbTi:**

- ❖ **ID=130 mm**
- ❖ **G=121.37 T/m**
- ❖ **L=8.711 m**

**Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn:**

- ❖ **ID=110 mm**
- ❖ **G=176.21 T/m**
- ❖ **L=3 m**

- **2 modules separated by 1.8 m in the same slot.**



## *Next Steps*



### **Symmetric optics studies (J. Johnstone et al.):**

#### **❖ Q3:**

- 130 mm, ~130 T/m , ~9.5 m (2 modules)

#### **❖ Q1:**

- 90-110 mm, ~180 T/m, ~8 m (2 modules)

#### **❖ Operation margin studies (N. Mokhov et al.)**

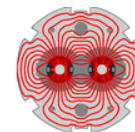
- 90-mm NbTi Q1 + 130-mm NbTi Q2 and 110-mm Nb3Sn Q3.
- 90-mm Nb3Sn Q1 + 130-mm NbTi Q2 and 130-mm NbTi Q3.
- Symmetric option with Nb3Sn Q1

#### **❖ Tracking studies (G. Robert-Demilaize et al.)**

- Effect of field quality



## **Conclusions**

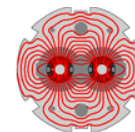


**LARP**

- ❖ **Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn accelerator magnet R&D has made a good progress**
  - **robust coil W&R technology**
  - **robust mechanical structures**
- ❖ **The possibilities and present limitations of quench performance and accelerator field quality in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn dipoles and quadrupoles were demonstrated**
  - **performance improvement is possible**
  - **model magnet R&D need to continue**
- ❖ **The first results of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn accelerator magnet technology scale up are quite encouraging**
  - **more work ahead**
- ❖ **The optimization and use of more stable high-Jc RRP strand is critical for magnet performance improvement**



## Conclusins (cont.)

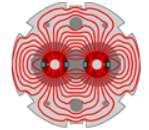


**LARP**

- ❖ **The ultimate goal of this program is LHC Phase II upgrade (LARP QB quadrupoles)**
  - **Nb3Sn magnet parameters and performance need to be better understood and improved**
    - **6-8 years for R&D**
- ❖ **Nb3Sn magnets (LARP QA quadrupoles) could be also considered for Phase I upgrade to improve LHC performance and also to learn more and demonstrate Nb3Sn technology in a real machine**
  - **Limited number (Q1 or Q3)**
  - **Conservative design and parameters – large margins (~30-40% to compensate for present performance limitations)**
  - **Improve the magnet performance during next 2-3 years**
- ❖ **Staged LHC upgrade strategy adopted by CERN needs to be taken into account choosing QA and QB design parameters.**



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