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CoCaSCOPE approach

for multiscale modelling of Nb₃Sn Rutherford cables



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Irfu's superconduting magnet program is piloted by DACM division with engineering support from DIS



2014 MQXC quadrupoles for CERN







2021 MQYYM for HL-LHC



HIGHLIGHT #1: FRESCA2

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- Nb₃Sn dipole in view of FCC
- 100mm aperture for test station upgrade



• Record field of 14.6 T in 2018





Picture from CERN Website



HIGHLIGHT #2: ISEULT



- NbTi MRI solenoid for human brain imaging
- 900mm aperture
- Record field of 11.7 T, very high homogeneity
- First image published last week!





Courtesy ISEULT project team, CEA (PL L. Quettier)

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Magnet operating points :

Courtesy E. Rochepault, CEA

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CEA-CERN COLLABORATION FOR NB₃SN





Adapted from E. Rochepault, CEA

SMC PROGRAM AT SACLAY

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Goal = Gaining experience on the full fabrication process of Nb_3Sn coils •

1. Winding

2. Heat treatment



R2D2 / F2D2 PROGRAMS Goal = Demonstrating grading with external joints ٠ High Field "HF" blocks, Low Field "LF" blocks, low current density high current density R2D2: design on-going, fabrication in 2022 ٠ Can a secure minimum bending radius be defined? F2D2: conceptual design done • Low Field "LF" High Field "HF" 60.0-50.0 40.0 30.0 20.0-10.0

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Version 4n8ml4, 2D Mechan

Courtesy V. Calvelli, G. Minier, CEA





• Goal = Gaining practice on winding / improving tooling concepts







- Goal = Understanding / modeling phenomena occuring during reaction
 - Phase transformations
 - **Dimensional changes** •
 - Mechanical state of Nb₃Sn filaments

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Courtesy Arsenii Gorynin, CEA







- Goal = Understand magnet thermo-mechanical behaviour during preload and thermal cycles
- Joint R&D with LMT (Normale Paris-Saclay) and MSSMAT (CentraleSupélec)
- New characterization methods







Ten-stack experimental tests are often used to characterize magnets
 thermo-mechanical behaviour







To adress these questions, Irfu has launched in 2012 with several partners (including CERN) a multiscale modeling program: CoCaSCOPE.

- Goal = Multipurpose multiscale 3D model of Rutherford cables
- CoCaSCOPE = modélisation du Comportement de Câbles
 SupraConducteurs pour l'Optimisation de leurs Performances Electriques
- Predictive approach
- Includes geometrical modeling, strand characterization, homogeneization
- Non linear (with plasticity and hardening)





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MULTISCALE APPROACH





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FE model based on RX tomographic images [Wolf 18]



FE sub-modeling model based on HD optical image of coil [Daly 18]



FE model of compression test on cable stack [Vallone 18]



Existing approaches are

- ⇒ 2D FE model
- ⇒ Simple geometry
- ⇒ Limited mechanical model (Elastic or curve fit)
- ⇒ Non predictive

Courtesy F. Wolf, G. Vallone, M. Daly, CERN

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3D FE model of reversible critical current reduction [Cattabiani 19]







CoCaSCOPE is a multipurpose tool for magnet designers



P. Manil *et al.*, "A Numerical Approach for the Mechanical Analysis of Superconducting Rutherford-Type Cables Using Bimetallic Description," in *IEEE Transactions on Applied Superconductivity*, vol. 27, no. 4, pp. 1-6, June 2017

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OVERVIEW OF COCASCOPE APPROACH





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OVERVIEW OF THE CABLING MODEL METHODOLOGY





F. Nunio, P. Manil and G. Lenoir, "3-D Mechanical Finite Element Analysis of Impregnated Rutherford Cable Stacks," in *IEEE Transactions on Applied Superconductivity*, vol. 29, no. 5, pp. 1-6, Aug. 2019





• Optimized to allow projection to the lower scale







- Boolean operators have been tried \rightarrow not fully successfully
- Skin of the matrix is rebuilt by a sewing technique, then volume meshed





• Periodic mesh over 1 transposition pitch (periodic boundary conditions)

3 periodic meshes glued

 Different twist patterns can be generated (avoid stacking of cables with similar overlapping)







- Linear mesh elements:
 - hexahedrons (strand/core)
 - tetrahedrons (matrix)
 - wedges (insulation)







• Obtained by geometric tranformation











MAIN FEATURES OF COCASCOPE MESH



- 3D mesh
- Bi-metallic model \rightarrow intrinsic description of anisotropy
- Periodic mesh (can be stacked in any direction)
- Impregnation included
- Keystone / core can be included
- Fully conformal mesh with partition (strands/impregnation/insulation)
- Variable dimensions / initial section
- Contacts with no interpenetration

 \rightarrow target mesh size ${\bf \sim420k}\ nodes$

for one transposition pitch

• Warning: it remains a non-physical model!

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40 STRANDS : EFFECT OF CABLE ASPECT RATIO ^{1/2}











 \rightarrow effect of 5% increase in lateral compaction



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- Tomographies of existing 18- and 40-strand cables are used to check the model (15 microns, done at MATEIS)
- Analytical tools have been developped at Armines to get automatically the centroid/shape of each strands



Tomography + identified strand shapes

Strand shapes extracted from CoCaSCOPE model

Superimposition of model and tomography

Tomography by E. Maire, Y Buffière, INSA Lyon



- Piste.
- Centroid of each strand extracted from tomography (green) compared to computed mesh (red)



Courtesy C. Carlé, CEA

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STRAND BI-METALLIC MODEL 1/2





\rightarrow Intrinsic anisotropic model

 \rightarrow Niobium barrier is included in copper region (similar modulus)

STRAND BI-METALLIC MODEL 2/2





■ Copper \Rightarrow Elasto-plastic with hardening $E_{Cu}, \nu_{Cu}, \sigma_{y \ Cu}, b_{Cu}, Q_{Cu}, C_{Cu}, \gamma_{Cu}$

■ Homogenized FR ⇒ Elastio-plastic bilinear (in simulation dir.) $E_{zz}^{eff}, v_{zz}^{eff}, \sigma_{yzz}^{eff}, K_{zz}^{eff}$ ■ Nb₃Sn ⇒ Elastic - E_{SC}, v_{SC} ■ Filament Core ⇒ Elastic - E_{FC}, v_{FC}

> Bi-metallic model is defined by 11 parameters: E_{Cu} , v_{Cu} , $\sigma_{y Cu}$, b_{Cu} , Q_{Cu} , C_{Cu} , γ_{Cu} , E_{SC} , v_{SC} , E_{FC} , v_{FC} + 3 volume fractions

G. Lenoir, P. Manil, F. Nunio and V. Aubin, "Mechanical Behavior Laws for Multiscale Numerical Model of Nb3Sn Conductors," in IEEE Transactions on Applied Superconductivity, vol. 29, no. 5, pp. 1-6, Aug. 2019



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+ volume fractions

- Direct identification (at RT)
 - E_{Cu} , E_{SC} are identified by nanoindentation
 - v_{Cu} , v_{SC} , v_{FC} are taken from litterature
- Numerical identification
 - $\sigma_{y Cu}, b_{Cu}, Q_{Cu}, C_{Cu}, \gamma_{Cu}, E_{FC}$ are obtained using ILCO code (next slide)
- Volume fractions are measured from SEM images







 $\sigma_{y Cu}, b_{Cu}, Q_{Cu}, C_{Cu}, \gamma_{Cu}, E_{FC}$ are obtained using ILCO code (optimizationbased identification)







- An example of identified parameters: FRESCA2 PIT strand
- Room temperature / 77K

COMPONENTS	Model	E(GPa)	σ _y (MPa)	C(MPa)	γ
Copper	Chaboche hardening	129/135	39/30	35960/25600	310/64
Barrier	Identical to copper				
Filament Core	Elastic	3/3	-	-	-
SC region (Nb₃Sn SG)	Elastic	171/145	-	-	-

Identified Parameters of the PIT BI-metallic model at room temperature / 77K

 This set of parameters can be used for predictive simulations, even for load cases significantly different from the ones used during the identification process.



RVE HOMOGENIZATION IN CAST3M



- 1 Definition of the geometry and the materials parameters from the identification process
- 2 Numerical tests in the different directions
- 3 Integration of stress and strain in the total volume
- Plot of stress-strain curve in the total volume on the aimed direction





 Tensile test over a strand: Experimental / Analytical / FEM results are compared



Courtesy M. Pouliquen, G. Lenoir, CEA

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- CoCaSCOPE mesh/material properties is used in FEM model
- First tests with uniform transverse compression (up to 0.3%)







- In view of mechanical / electromagnetic scaling laws, data must be analyzed at the **local scale** (filamentary region)
- Need for convenient plot allowing easy comparison
- Mechanical parameters distribution is plotted for each strand:







• Mechanical parameters distribution can plotted for all strands of a cable:



- \rightarrow potential benefits :
 - estimate the cable current transport capability, thanks to the existing scaling laws
 - allows easy comparison between cable configurations
 - provide guidelines for Rutherford cable optimisation

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Results presented today are preliminar and given for illustration of the potentiality of CoCaSCOPE tool

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IMPACT OF TRANSVERSE COMPACTION OF CABLE



 \rightarrow Impact on the stack/lateral directions

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IMPACT OF STEEL CORE





 \rightarrow Limited impact on local strains (for a fixed compaction rate)

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IMPACT OF MATRIX STIFFNESS





\rightarrow Strong impact on local strains

 \rightarrow Further studies are planned based on experimental data



Courtesy S. Krave, Fermilab [Krave 20]



IMPACT OF BOUNDARY CONSITIONS





Blocked in lateral direction / Blocked in 3 directions / Free in 3 directions



 \rightarrow Major impact on local strains

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CYCLIC TRANSVERSE LOADING^{1/2}





- \rightarrow potential benefits :
 - Accounts for hardering / strain accumulation (not the case with bilinear plasticity)
 - comparison with stack samples tests for models validation
 - · assist in the interpretation of experimental results

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Gilles Lenoir (CERN) shows that strain accumulation occurring in real magnets is not represented by bilinear plasticity models. Hardening model is necessary.



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- → implement the strain function and scaling laws in the filamentary region in order to estimate the current transport degradation (B. Bordini 2014, G. Vallone 2018)
- → make the link with the stresses at the winding scale (implement stack model in magnet simulations as sub-model)
- \rightarrow build 10-stack and "sample holder" models (including setup)
- \rightarrow implement thermo-mechanical phenomena induced by the process of metallurgy
- \rightarrow improve computation time as 3D stack models are heavy (> 1 million nodes)







→ Possibility to model the characterization tooling in order to take into account its compliance



 \rightarrow Simulating simple experimental devices such as the dummy coil of DACM







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- → The results obtained at the strand level can be projected to the filament level if needed for the electromagnetic post-treatment (scaling laws)



Projection du champ de déplacement extrait du modèle de câblage sur le maillage détaillé d'un brin

3 Obtention de la distribution des déformations et contraintes principales dans le brin détaillé



Projection du champ de déplacement extrait d'un calcul mécanique de référence sur la déformée de ce même maillage







→ Using a FFT method (AMITEX) instead of FEM at the REV level will be investigated next year in order to gain efficiency in the identification/computation process



Without steel strip



With steel strip

Slide by F. Nunio, CEA





- CoCaSCOPE offers a multipurpose approach for multiscale 3D modelling of Rutherford cables
- Bi-metallic model allows a simple formulation accounting for copper hardening
- allows comparisons of cable configurations early in the design process
- provides conformal mesh bricks that can be assembled together
- enables transition between scales



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• Modeling large deformations of cable



• Adding fracture mechanics

- Improving data at cryogenic temperatures by using cold nano-indentation or other experimental techniques (micropillars...)
- CEA is open for collaborations around CoCaSCOPE!

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