

Impact of material properties of Nb₃Sn coil on its thermo-mechanical behavior Methods and preliminary results

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Introduction – Who am I?

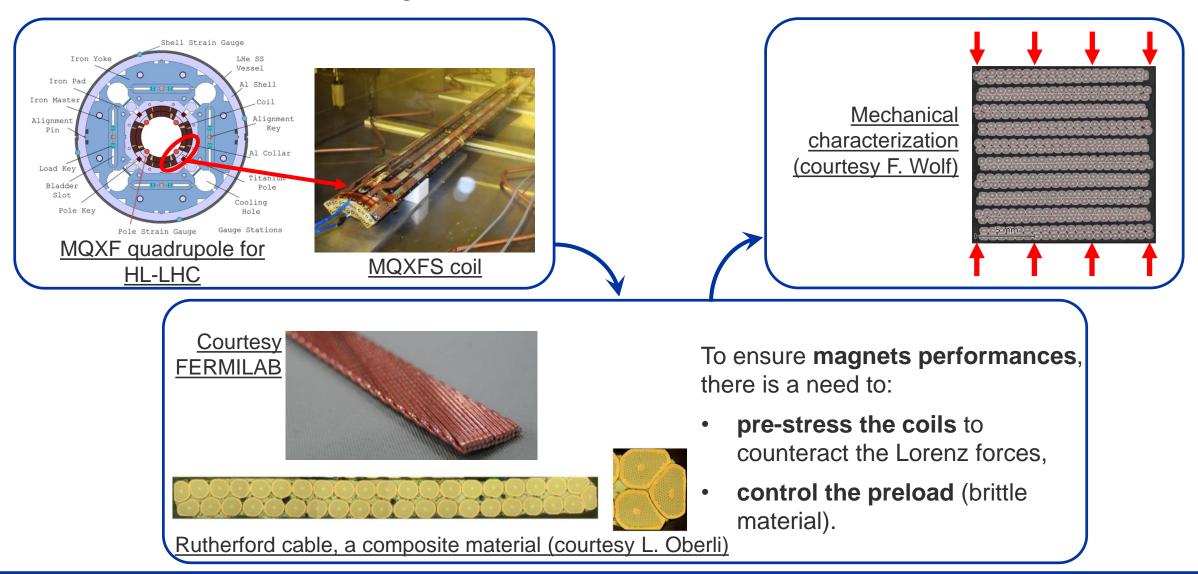
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Introduction: Nb₃Sn based magnets

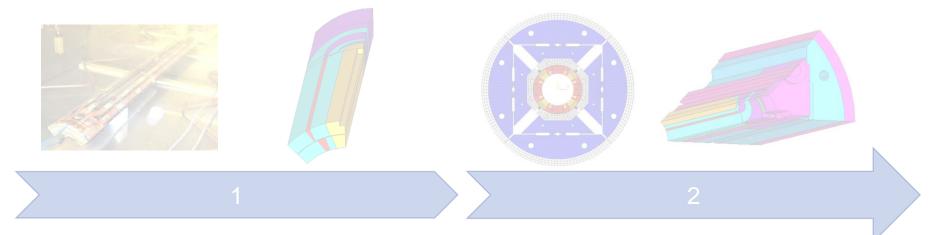




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What level of complexity do we need in our FE models?



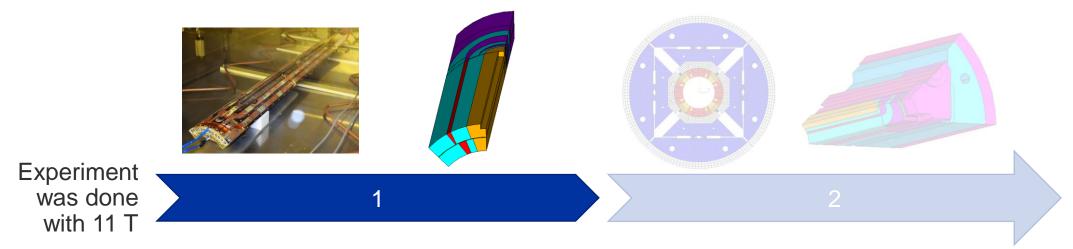
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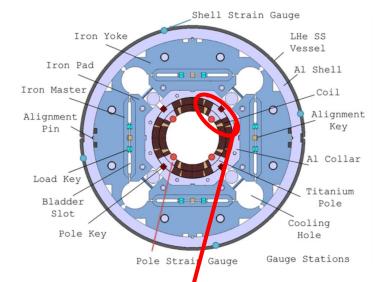


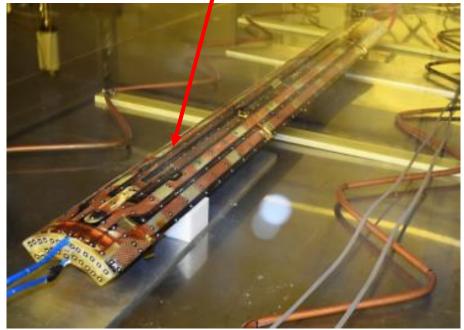
Experimental set-up in cryolab

Protocol:

- Coil in Cryogenic pool on isostatic supports,
- Cooling down at 77K (thermal gradient controlled),
- Drain LN2 as fast as possible, open the pool, measurements. *Cryolab: J. Bremer, L. Dufay-Chanat, T. Koettig.*
- Two acquisition systems:
 - Strain Gauges (SG), 12 thermally compensated,
 - Photogrammetry by BE-GM (D. Mergelkuhl and K. Nikolitsas).

<u>Warning from the cryolab</u>: this may not be representative of real magnet conditions (water solidification into coil's cracks).





Report and data from the acquisition team: <u>https://edms.cern.ch/document/2659563/1</u>



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Experimental set-up in SM18

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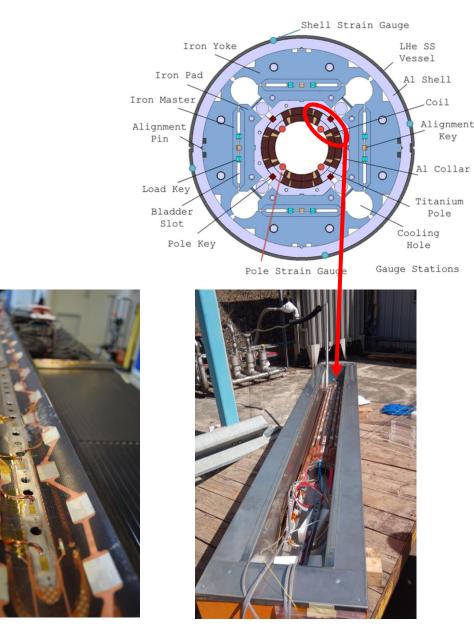
- Coil in a small cryostat on isostatic supports,
- Quick cooldown at 77K (not controlled),
- Slow warmup.

SM18: G. Willering, P. Viret.

- Two acquisition systems
 - Strain Gauges (SG), 12 thermally compensated,
 - Optical fiber.

EN-MME: S. Mugnier, K. Kandemir and M. Guinchard.

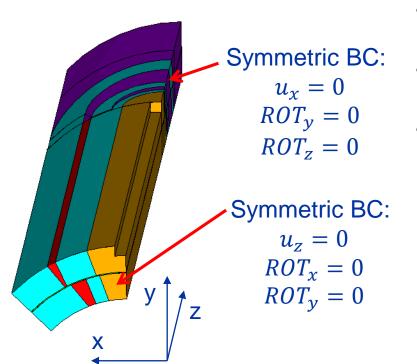
Coil instrumented with strain gauges and optical fiber



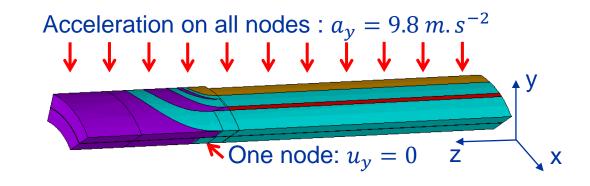
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Finite element model of MQXFS self-standing coil



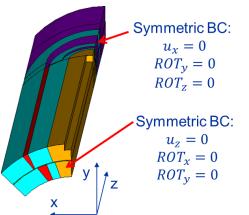
- Same coil as in the FE model of the full MQXFS magnet.
- All parts are bounded as a starting point.
- Two loading step :
 - Acceleration on all nodes (gravity),
 - Temperature change: 77 K (cool down).



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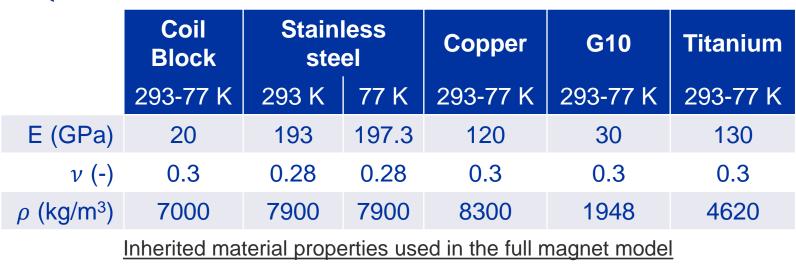


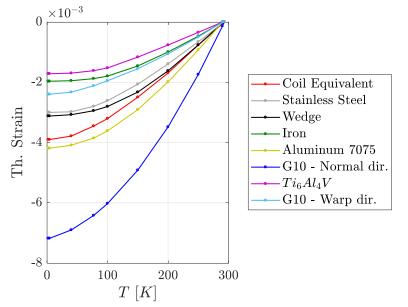
Finite element model of MQXFS self-standing coil



Starting point:

- Same thermo-mechanical material parameters as in the full MQXFS magnet FE model.
- Coil block is an isotropic linear elastic material.



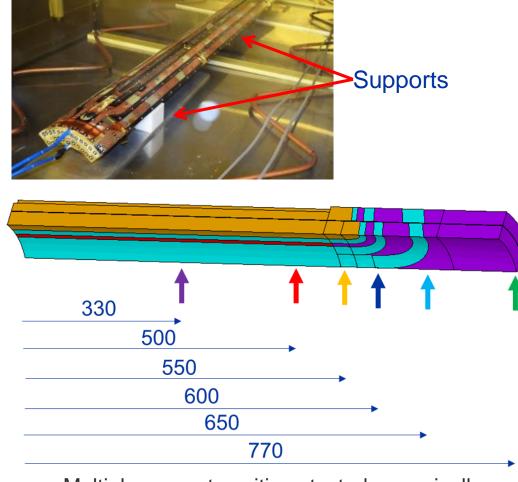


Inherited CTE used in the full magnet model (thermally dependent)

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A possible experimental bias: the supports location



Multiple support positions tested numerically

Problem: the cryostat is contracting during cool down and the coil was displaced between tests. **This can change the support location**.

Effect of the supports position on FE models:

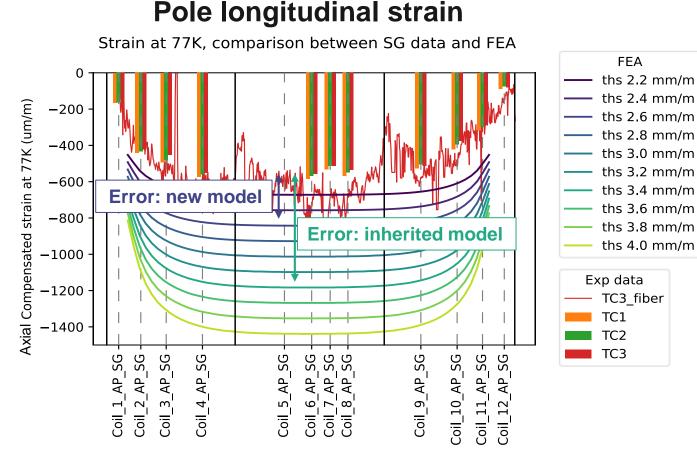
- Negligible on strain gauges and optical fiber.
- > Negligible on photogrammetry.

This was also **checked experimentally** (room temperature only) with strain gauges measurements with multiple support positions.



Dominating parameter: the Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (CTE) of the coil block 1/2 E isotropic CTE isotropic

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Due to differential thermal contraction, the coil bends and the pole is under compression.

Inherited model: error of ~500 µm/m on the ths 2.6 mm/m ths 2.8 mm/m pole longitudinal strain. ths 3.0 mm/m

- Lowering the CTE improve the model.
- Yet, ongoing thermal contraction studies suggests a CTE around -2.5 mm/m at **77 K** [1].

New model: error of ~200 µm/m on the pole longitudinal strain.

Improved model, but still some discrepancies with measurements.

[1] M. Guinchard, ongoing thermal contraction on cuts taken from MQXF coil.



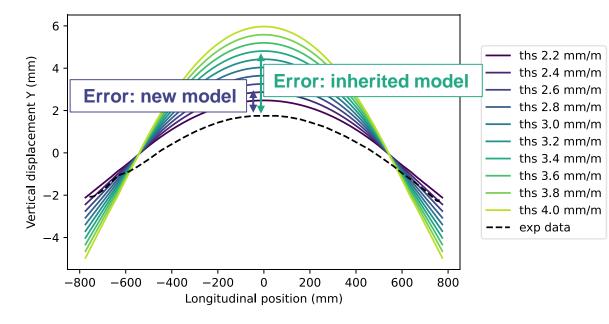
Dominating parameter: the Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (CTE) of the coil block 2/2

E isotropic

CTE isotropic

Coil vertical bending (photogrammetry)

CTE parametric study compared with experimental data (vertical displacement at 77K)



Due to differential thermal contraction, the coil bends by about 4 mm according to photogrammetry measurement.

Inherited model: error of ~4 mm on the coil vertical bending.

- > Lowering the CTE improve the model.
- Yet, ongoing thermal contraction studies suggests a CTE around -2.5 mm/m at 77 K [1].

New model: error of ~1 mm on the coil vertical bending.

Improved model, but still some discrepancies with measurements.

 \rightarrow **Same conclusion** as with mechanical instrumentation

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Effect of other isotropic mechanical parameters

Parametric studies were conducted on the properties of the coil block:

- Elastic modulus (1 to 120 GPa), Poisson ratio (0.2 to 0,35). •
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Effects on the coil bending and the pole longitudinal strain in the FE models are low or **negligible** (less than 50 μ m/m for ±20 GPa of elastic modulus change).

The model will not get closer to the measurements when changing these isotropic mechanical parameters.

 \rightarrow Need to look for other model features.



Development of a code allowing the orthotropy of the coil block in ANSYS APDL

Today: the coil block is modeled as **isotropic linear elastic** material \rightarrow heavy hypothesis.



Composite Nb₃Sn Rutherford cables

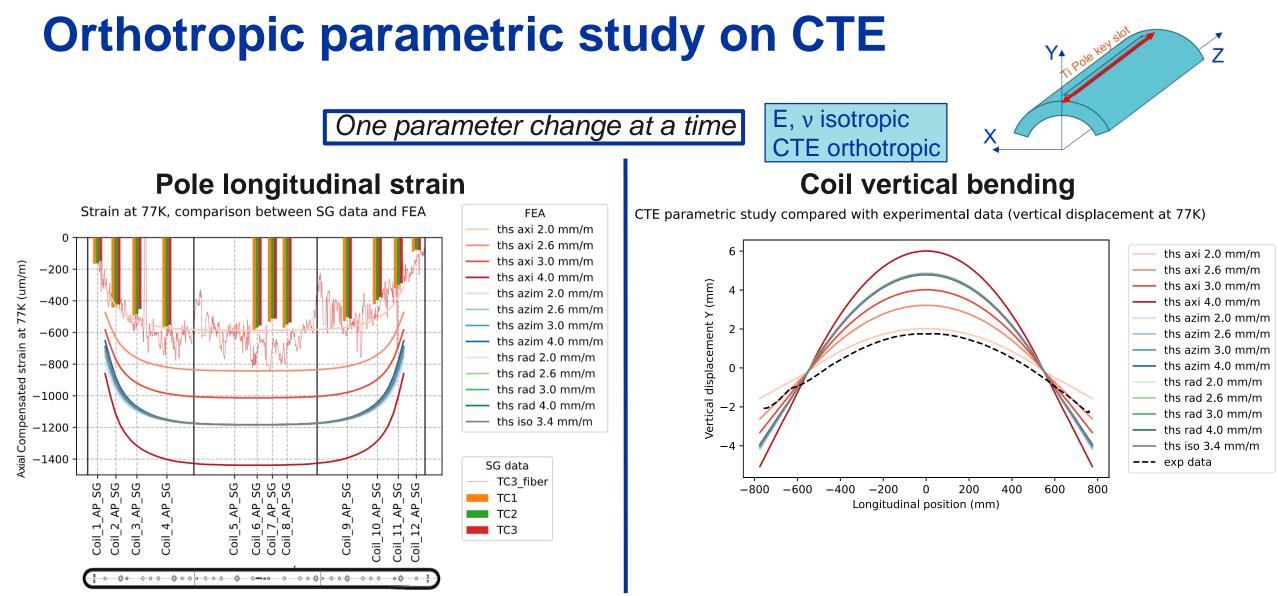
Starting point: Code defining quasi-isotropic behavior in the coil block (provided by G. Vallone, LBNL).

My contribution: code defining **orthotropic** material behavior in the coil block (based on each element surfaces and its neighbors).

Ongoing writing of a technical note.

Working principle (left) and result (right) of the code defining the orthotropic material behavior in the coil block





In this experiment, the dominating direction is without surprise the longitudinal direction.



Effect of other orthotropic mechanical parameters

Parametric studies were conducted on the properties of the coil block:

- Elastic modulus (1 to 120 GPa),
- Poisson ratio (0.2 to 0,35),
- Shear modulus (1 to 40 GPa).
- Orthotropic behavior

Effects on the coil bending and the pole longitudinal strain in the FE models are low or negligible (less than 50 μ m/m for ±20 GPa of elastic modulus change).

The model will not get closer to the measurements when changing these mechanical parameters.

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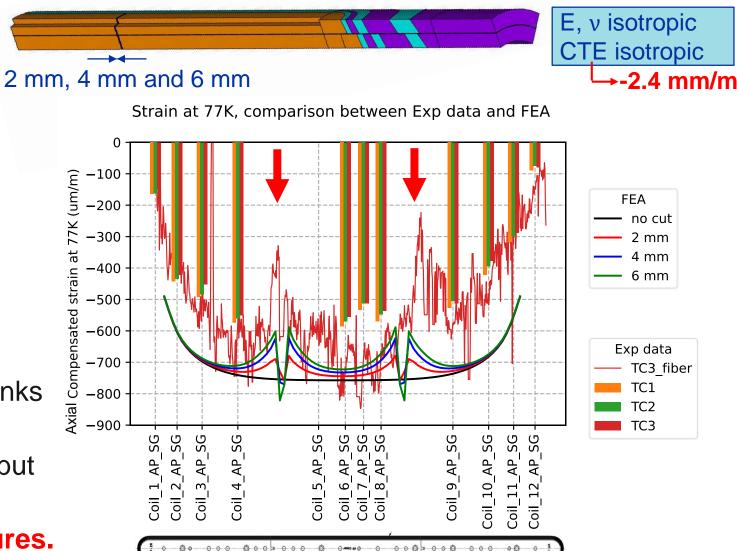


Other contribution to the mechanical behavior: Pole separations



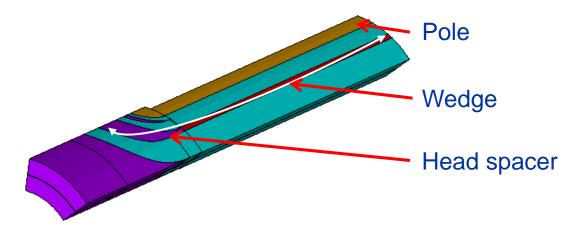
Inner coil surface: separation between the poles

- **Pole separation effect** is visible thanks to the **optical fiber**.
- The FE model reproduce the effect, but with lower values
- \rightarrow Need to look for other model features.





Other contribution to the mechanical behavior: Wedge CTE



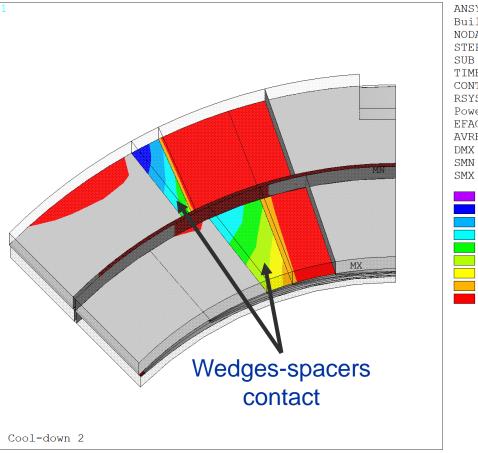
A loop is formed by the wedge and the spacer $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (everything bounded in FEA) that contributes to the $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ pole compression.

With a 5% of variation on CTE measurement of the wedge could bring the model closer to measurements by 70 $\mu m/m.$

Strain at 77K, comparison between SG data and FEA (m/mn) FEA +0.0 mm/m-200 +0.2 mm/m +0.4 mm/m -300 +0.6 mm/m strain -400 +0.8 mm/m Ped -500 -600 SG data -700 TC1 TC2 -800 AP SG SG SG SG SO 2_AP_SG SG SG ഗ õ AP Coil 9 Coil Coil Coil <u>io</u> <u></u>



Contact pressure wedge-spacer



ANSYS 2019 R1 Build 19.3 NODAL SOLUTION STEP=2 SUB = 10TIME=2 CONTPRES (AVG) RSYS=1 PowerGraphics EFACET=1 AVRES=Mat DMX = .003148SMN = -.168E + 09SMX = .561E + 08-.100E+09 -.889E+08 -.778E+08 -.667E+08 -.556E+08 -.444E+08 -.333E+08 -.222E+08 -.111E+08 .745E-08

E, ν isotropic CTE isotropic →-2.4 mm/m

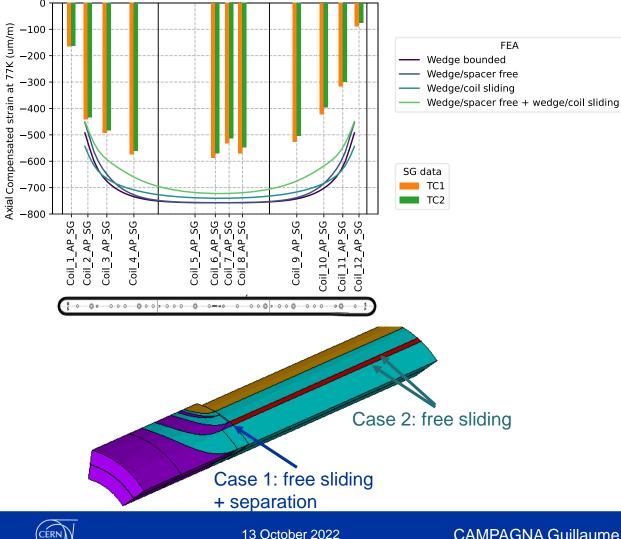


Traction: between -10 to -90 MPa (high!).



Contact study between wedge and its surrounding

Strain at 77K, comparison between SG data and FEA



Reference: Wedge is bounded with everything.

Three cases:

 Case 1: Wedge/spacer contact separation and sliding allowed.

E, v isotropic

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- Case 2: Wedge/coil contact sliding allowed.
- Case 3: case 1 + case 2.

Does not change a lot the contribution of the wedge (true also for the bending).

Partial conclusion

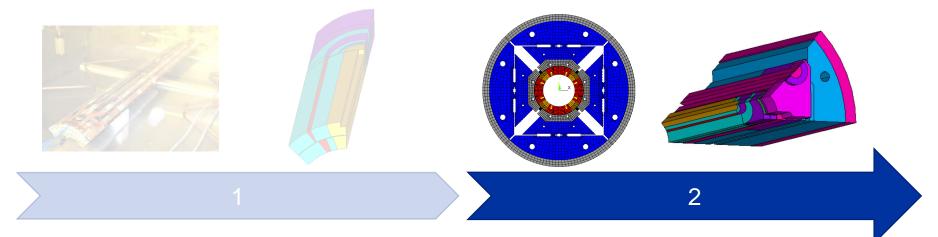
- An instrumented self standing coil was cooled down at 77 K multiple times,
- Comparison between experimental data and FE models suggests that the coil block CTE should be changed from -3.45 mm/m at 77 K to -2.5 mm/m at 77 K.
- This change improves significantly the model, yet some differences remains (150 μm/m of pole longitudinal strain).
- Other mechanical parameters were studied (Elastic modulus, Poisson ratio, shear modulus), but only the wedge CTE could partially explains the small remaining differences.
- Implementation of orthotropy confirmed that Iongitudinal CTE is the driving parameter, and in the case of a self standing coil, isotropy and orthotropy lead to very close FE results.
- Further investigation should be led to understand the remaining differences, for instance contact definition elsewhere in the coil that were supposed bounded (work was started, not completed by lack of time).



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Method development for an orthotropic parametric study in a magnet structure

Problem: What is the impact of the coil material orthotropy implementation in the full magnet FE results? \rightarrow Development of numerical tools.

A parametric study on the coil block material definition (one parameter at a time):

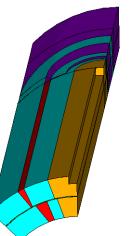
- Elastic modulus,
- Shear modulus,
- Poison ratio,
- CTE.

in the three directions

 \rightarrow Very costly on today's FE models (~10 hours each!!)

Self standing MQXFS coil in an « infinitely » rigid structure

- Use additional boundary conditions to simulate support structure,
- Fast computing (10 minutes).



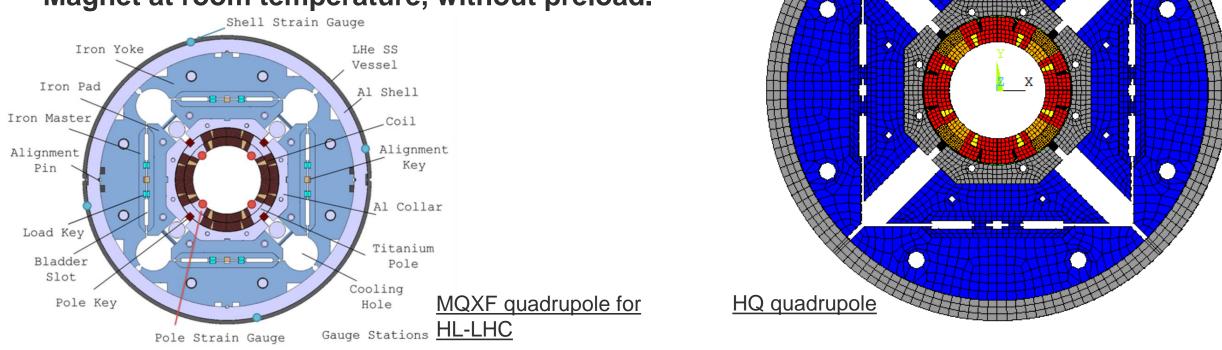
Full magnet model: High gradient Quadrupole (HQ):

- True magnet behavior:
 FE model was compared to the real magnet,
- Fast computing (15 minutes).



Reminder: HQ finite element model – bladders and keys support structure 1/3

Goal: counterbalance the Lorenz forces by **preloading the coils** to avoid their displacements that would limit the magnet performances.



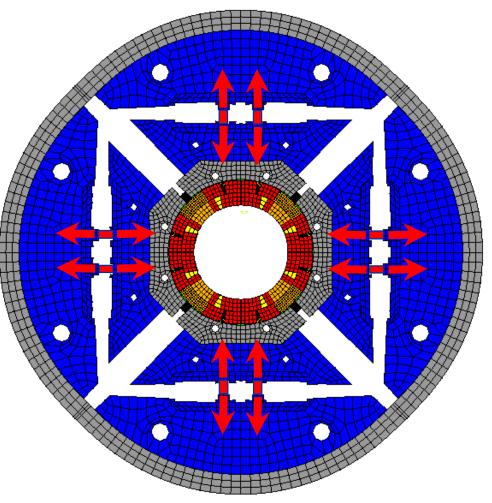
Magnet at room temperature, without preload.



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Inserting the keys (metal shims) **to maintain the preload**, at room temperature.

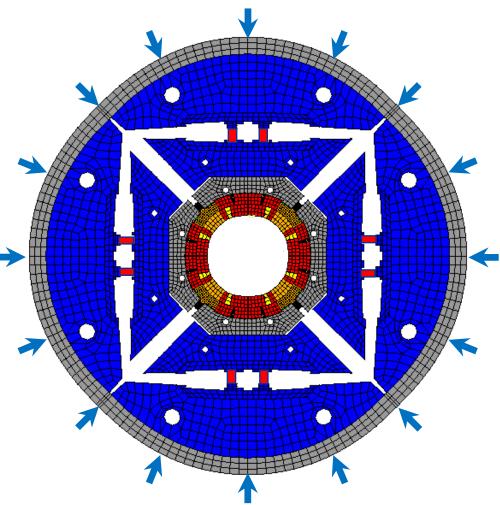




Reminder: HQ finite element model – bladders and keys support structure 3/3

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Magnet at **cryogenic temperature** (~2 K), to provide an **additional preload** with the differential thermal contraction.

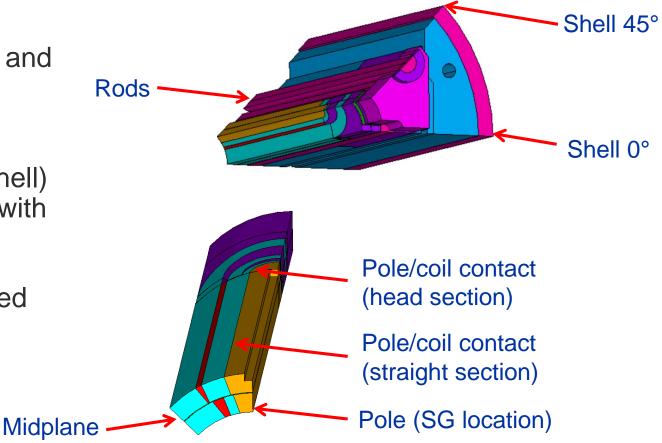




Defining the zones of interest

It is **not possible** to completely compare element by element the **orthotropic and isotropic** models.

- So, I extracted from the FE software stresses and displacements in different locations useful to monitor the magnet behavior:
- On the mechanical structure (rods and shell) where the magnet is usually instrumented with strain gauges,
- On the **coils** where it is usually instrumented and target zones for "healthy" mechanical behavior.

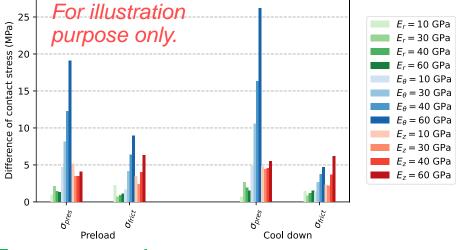




Development of an analysis method through numerical tools 1/2

Bar plots of the maximum of the absolute difference between orthotropic and isotropic

Difference of contact stress from isotropic model - Pole/Coil contact layer 1 - head



- Easy to read.
- Problem if the difference is only local (numerical singularity)

Box plots of the differences between orthotropic and isotropic

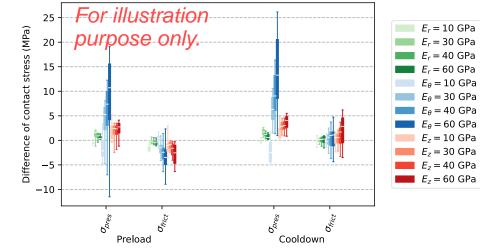
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Min

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Max



- More complex, and sometimes unreadable
- Give more information on the spread of the differences.

For BOTH: it makes a lot of graphs to analyze (~200 plots!!)



Development of an analysis method through numerical tools 2/2

Summarizing tens of box plots in global tables per zone of interest.

	Pole	Pole/Coil contact layer 1 - head - Preload Pole/C									conta	ct laye	r 1 - h	ead -	Cool	down	$\Delta \sigma_{friction}$ with					
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 $\Delta \sigma_{friction}$ with respect to the reference case for the various zones of interest and load steps

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- Highly visual
- Give a large overview,
- Too large for presentations, papers, etc.
- \rightarrow Tables are great tools for the analysis.

 \rightarrow Outcome of the analysis will be presented with boxplots.



Illustration of the approach, unexpected orthotropic parameter effects $G_{r\theta}$ 1/2

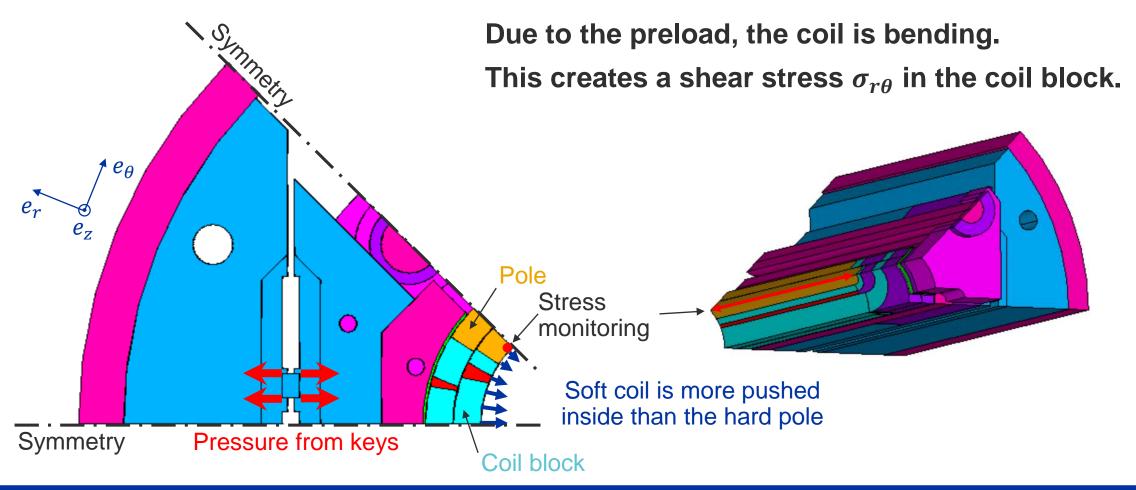
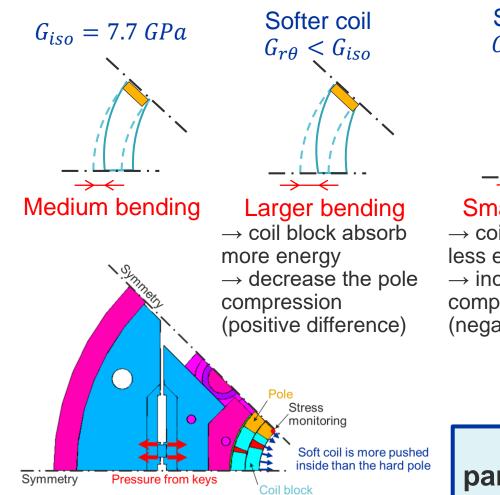
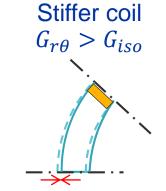


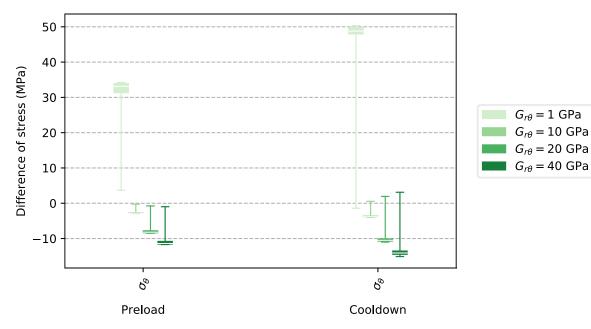


Illustration of the approach, unexpected orthotropic parameter effects $G_{r\theta}$ 2/2





Smaller bending → coil block absorb less energy → increase the pole compression (negative difference) Difference of stress from isotropic model - Pole inner radius



Non negligible impact of $G_{r\theta}$ (more than 10 MPa)

Should characterization tests be developed for $G_{r\theta}$?

Objective of the study will be to identify the relevant parameters that need to be characterized and implemented.

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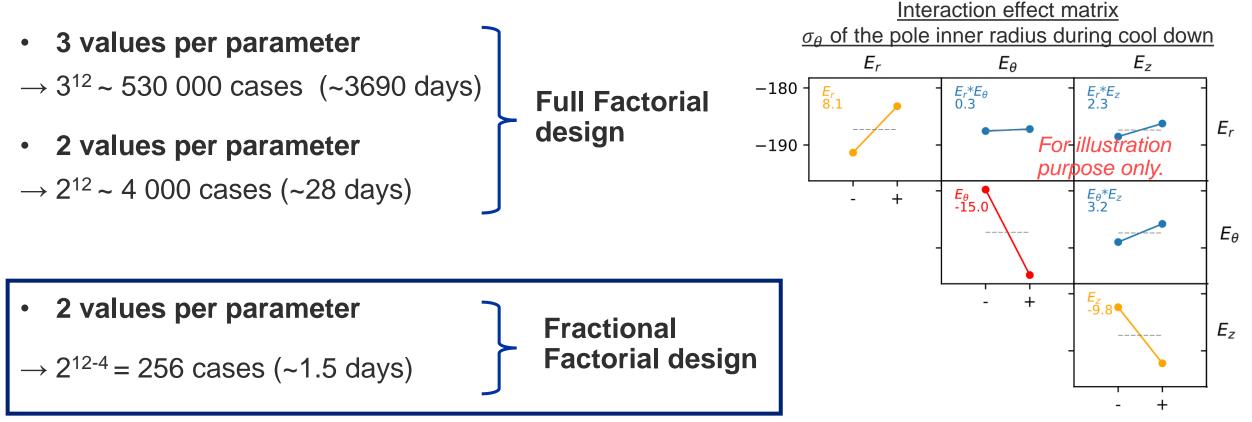


- Proposition of a new CTE value for the coil block: -2.5 mm/m at 77 K.
- Development of a code implementing orthotropy in the coil block for ANSYS APDL.
- Development of an analysis method to study the effect of orthotropy in magnet and to identify the mechanical parameter to be characterized:
 - > Automatic FE computations,
 - > Automatic post processing drawing plots and tables.
- Numerical tools are available to go further.



Next steps: interdependence of material parameters

Study the **interdependence of each parameters** on others, considering **12 variables** (3 elastic modulus, 3 Poisson ratio, 3 shear modulus and 3 CTE)

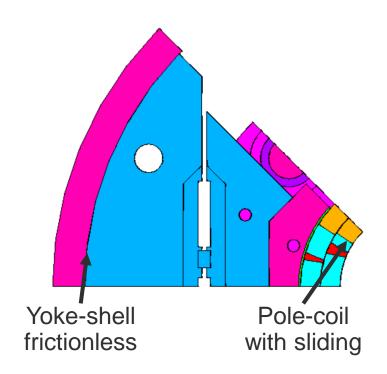






Study the **effect of friction** (same parametric study):

- Yoke-shell contact frictionless,
- Pole-coil contact sliding allowed,
- Full model frictionless.



Is the **sensitivity** to material properties the same for **different magnet configurations**? Dipoles vs quadrupoles? Block type vs collared structures?

To be continued...



Thank you for your attention

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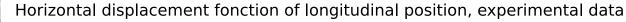


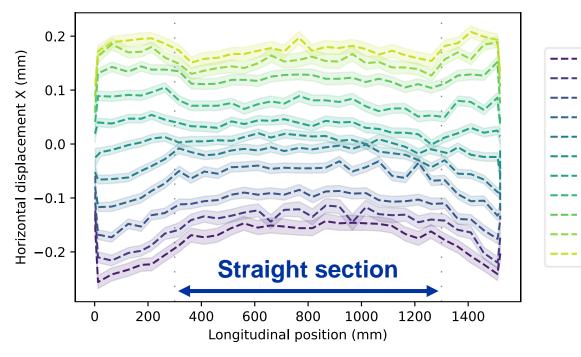


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Analysis of photogrammetry data, X displacement







Observations:

- See effect of coil heads vs straight section.
- Asymmetry between path 1 and 11 (bending around Y)



path 1

path 2

path 3 path 4 path 5

path 6

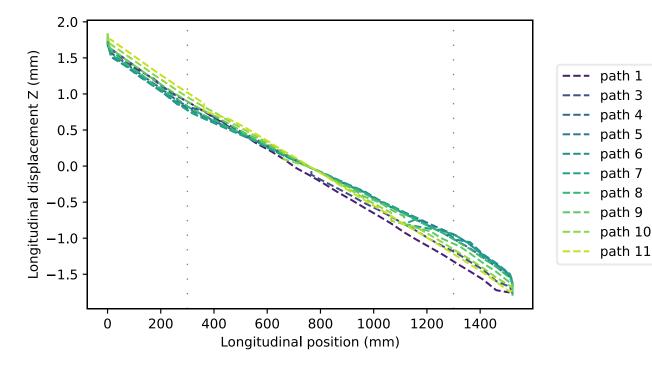
path 7 path 8

path 9 path 10

path 11

Analysis of photogrammetry data, Z displacement

Longitudinal displacement fonction of longitudinal position, experimental data



Observations:

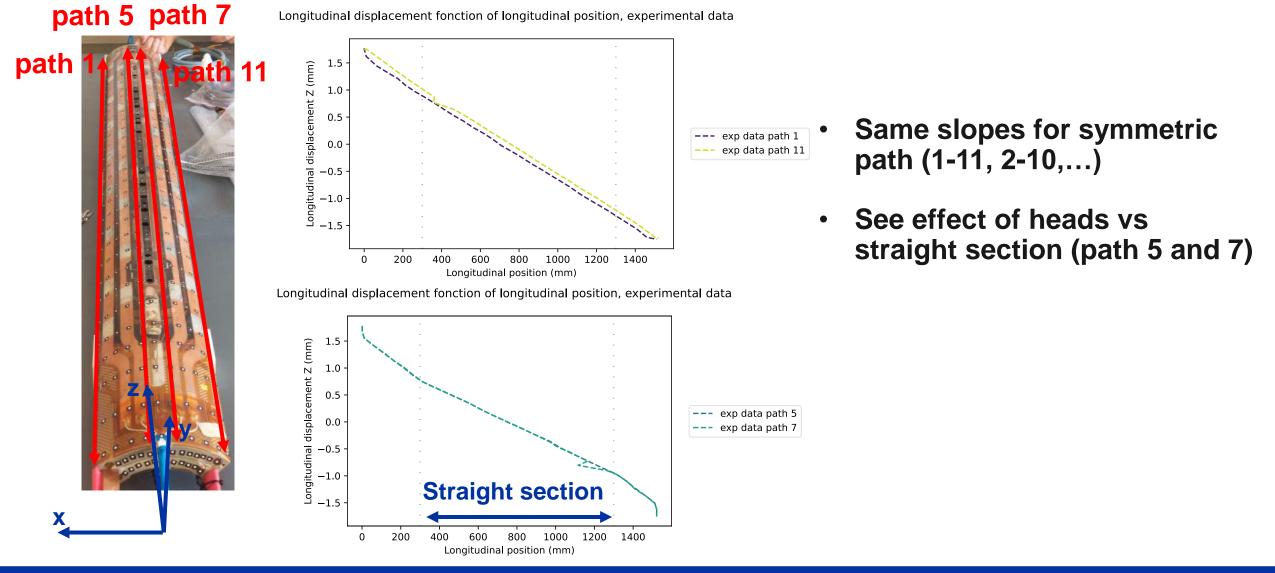
- Dispersion is observed between paths.
- Uncertainty is negligible.



path 6

path

Analysis of photogrammetry data, Z displacement



Influence of support position on photogrammetry measurement E isotropic

Room temperature, visible but negligible

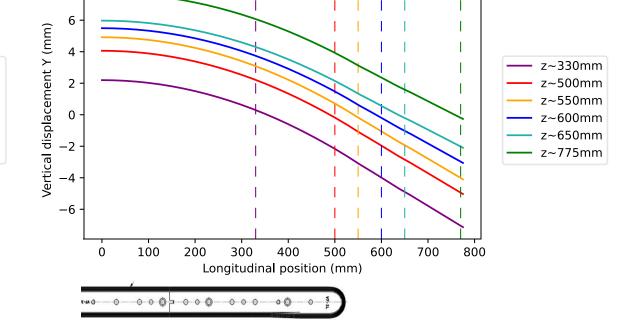
0.1 8 6 0.0 Vertical displacement Y (mm) Vertical displacement Y (mm) 4 -0.1 z~330mm 2 z~500mm 0.2 z~550mm 0 z~600mm 0.3 ~650mm z~650mm -2 z~775mm 0.4 -4 -0.5-6 -0.6300 400 500 100 200 600 700 800 300 400 500 600 Ω Ω 100 200 700 800 Longitudinal position (mm) Longitudinal position (mm) 002000-000 000000000000

Vertical displacement fonction of longitudinal position, gravity alone

CTE isotropic

Vertical displacement fonction of longitudinal position, 77K



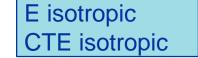




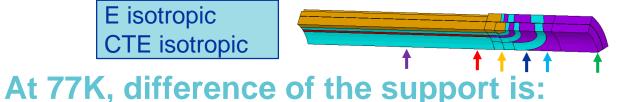
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Influence of support position on SG measurement

Room temperature, gravity effect is small on SG



on pole or not pole



z~330mm

z~500mm

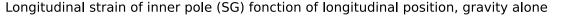
z~550mm

z~600mm

z~650mm

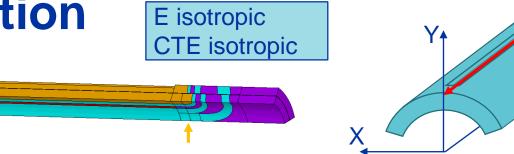
z~775mm

Longitudinal strain of inner pole (SG) fonction of longitudinal position, gravity at 77K -70030 -ongitudinal strain (um/m) -ongitudinal strain (um/m) -80020 z~330mm z~500mm -900~550mm 10 z~600mm -1000z~650mm z~775mm 0 -1100-10-1200300 400 500 600 800 300 400 500 600 800 0 100 200 700 0 100 200 700 Longitudinal position (mm) Longitudinal position (mm) 002000 0-0-0-0-0-000 000





Comparison with photogrammetry data, displacement in Z direction



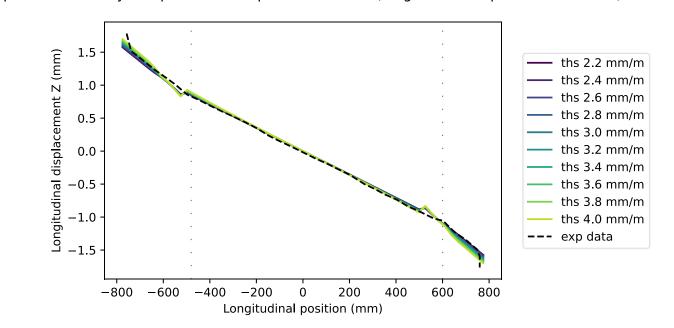
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Experimental data and FEA results are consistent.

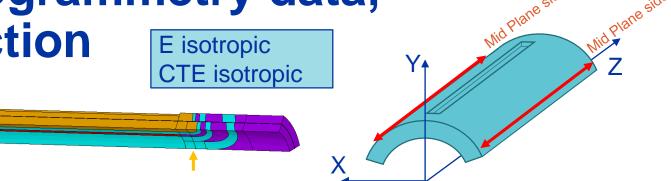
CTE parametric study compared with experimental data (longitudinal displacement at 77K)
Sanity check: CTE has low influence

Two behaviours: Ti pole in the middle, heads outside.



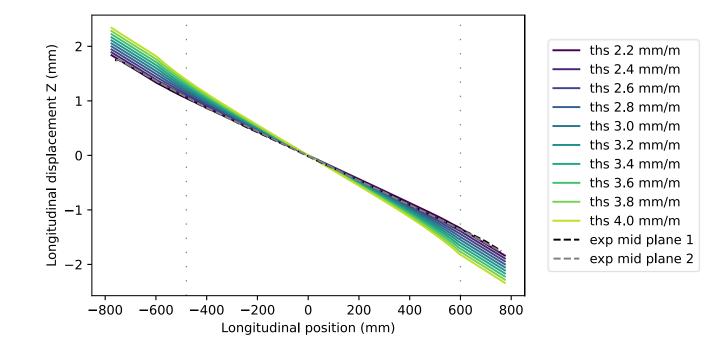


Comparison with photogrammetry data, displacement in Z direction



Two behaviour are observed in experimental data:

CTE parametric study compared with experimental data (longitudinal displacement at 77K)



 In the endshoes FEA is consistent with experimental data.

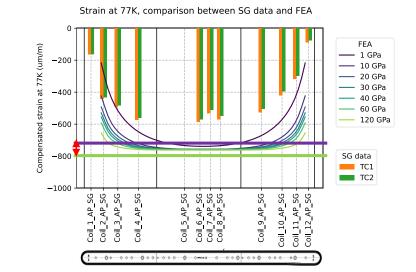
• In the centre part, composed of the coil bloc, a low CTE seems closer to experimental data.



Parametric on elastic modulus, changing the CTE **Pole strain** E isotropic

CTE isotropic



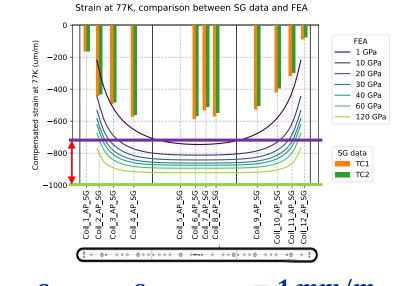


 $\varepsilon_{th \ coil} = 2.4 \ mm/m$

 $\varepsilon_{th \ coil} = 2.5 \ mm/m$

Strain at 77K, comparison between SG data and FEA

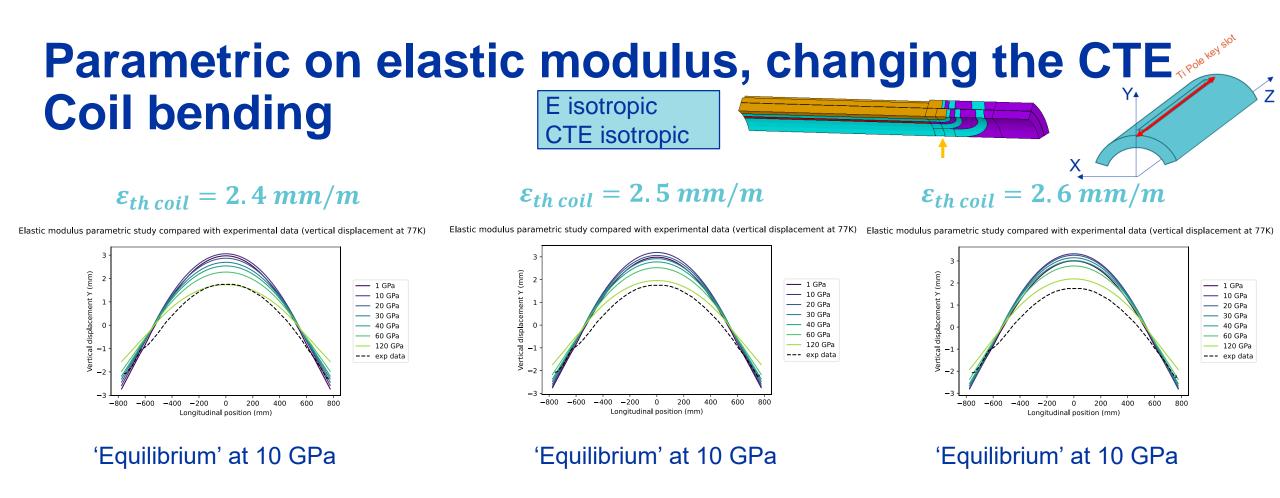
FEA (m/mn) — 1 GPa -200 . — 10 GPa 77K - 20 GPa — 30 GPa at -400 -— 40 GPa ----- 60 GPa — 120 GPa -600 -800 SG data TC1 TC2 -1000 oil 3 AP SG 4 AP



 $\varepsilon_{th \ coil} - \varepsilon_{th \ titanium} = 0.8 \ mm/m$ $\varepsilon_{th \ coil} - \varepsilon_{th \ titanium} = 0.9 \ mm/m$ $\varepsilon_{th \ coil} - \varepsilon_{th \ titanium} = 1 \ mm/m$ Lower boundary: ~[800 ; 1000] um/m when E_{coil} get closer to $E_{titanium} = 130 GPa$. Upper boundary: ~750 um/m at low E_{coil} (spacer + wedge loop contribution).

 \rightarrow Margin of adaptation of FEA with E_{coil} is limited.

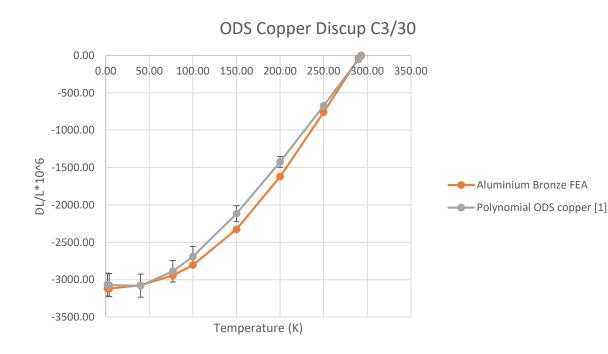




Saturation close to the expected differential thermal contraction when E_{coil} get closer to $E_{titanium} = 130 GPa$.



CTE of the wedges



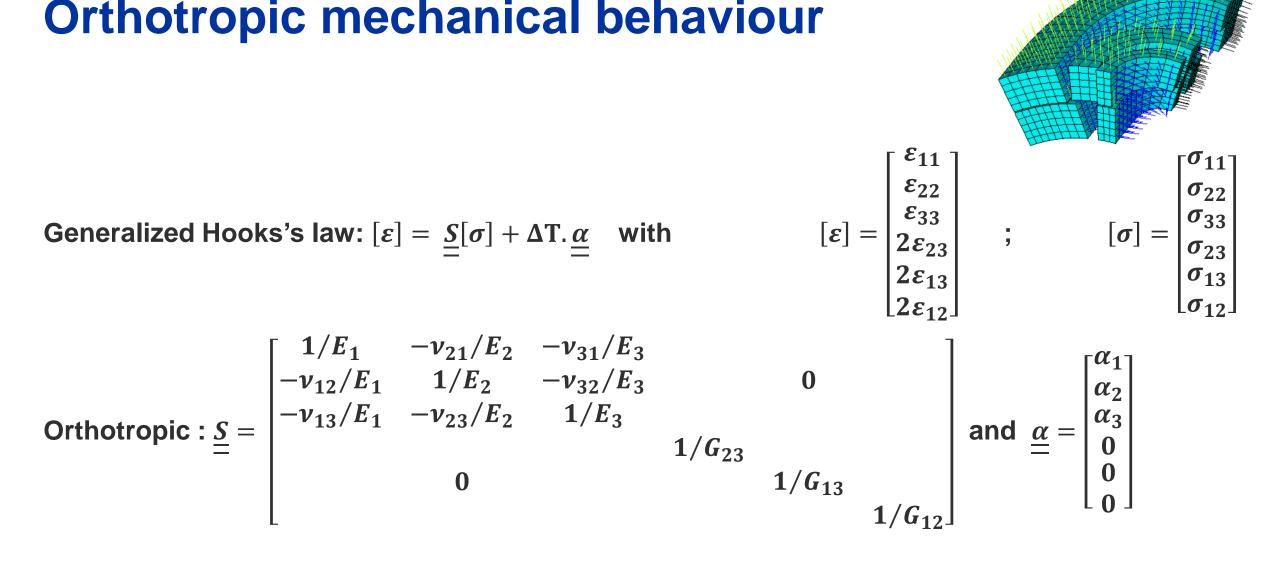
Previously in FE code: Aluminum bronze

Real material: *ODS copper Discup C3/30*, CTE measurement made by CEA Grenoble [1]

 \rightarrow 5% of error on the measurements, ±145 um/m at 77 K.

[1] J.P. Arnaud, ODS Copper Discup C3/30 Thermal Expansion, technical note SBT/CT12-28, INAC CEA Grenoble, July 2012.







Shear modulus: orders of magnitude

Material	Shear modulus (GPa)
Steel	79.3 [1]
Iron	52.5 [1]
Copper	44.7 [1]
Titanium	41.4 [1]
Aluminum	25.5 [1]
Composite (epoxy+Kevlar)	[4 ; 21] depending on the directions

Nb3Sn coil block	Shear modulus (GPa)
Isotropic: $E = 20GPa$ and $v = 0.3$	$G = E/(2+2\nu) = 7.7$

 \rightarrow parametric study on shear modulus: from 1 GPa to 40 GPa.

[1] Wikipedia, <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shear_modulus</u>

