# **Design and analysis of a HTS** internally cooled cable for the **Muon Collider target magnet**



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# Collider Choices

#### • Hadron collisions: compound particles

- LHC collides 13.6 TeV protons
- Protons are mix of quarks, anti-quarks and gluons
	- **Very complex to extract physics**
	- **But can reach high energies**
- Lepton collisions: elementary particles
	- LEP reached 0.205 TeV with electron-positron collisions
	- Clean events, easy to extract physics
	- **Lepton collisions precision measurements**
		- **Hard to reach high energies**













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#### **Hence present energy frontier is probed by proton rings**

Novel approach: the **muon collider** Large mass suppresses synchrotron radiation => circular collider, **multi-pass** Fundamental particle yields clean collisions => **less beam energy** than protons **But lifetime at rest only 2.2 μs** (increases with energy)

#### **The muon collider is part of the European Accelerator R&D Roadmap**



e: 0.511 MeV μ: 106 MeV p + : 938 MeV

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#### Target and capture solenoid – 1/4



Large stored energy o(2) GJ, mass o(300) tons, cost o(100) M



#### Target and capture – 2/4

Reduce the mass (CAPEX) of the system, and increase operating temperature to improve cryogenic CoP (OPEX)









#### Target and capture – 4/4



#### MIT "VIPER" conductor **HTS** conductor design

M. Takayasu et al., IEEE TAS, 21 (2011) 2340  $\vert$  | 8 Z. S. Hartwig et al., SUST, 33 (2020) 11LT01



Operating current: 58 kA Operating field: 20 T Operating temperature: 20 K SOLDERED HTS STACK COPPER FORMER COOLING CHANNEL STAINLESS STEEL WRAP STAINLESS STEEL JACKET





#### **Looks much like an HTS magnet for fusion !!!** 11

# Coil geometry



Focus on coil C02 (highest current, highest field, higest energy)



## Conductor design









$$
J_C = \frac{C_0}{B} h(t) f_p(b)
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B_{irr}(T) = B_{irr0} \left(1 - \frac{T}{T_{irr0}}\right)
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$$
T_{irr}(B) = T_{irr0} \left(1 - \frac{B}{B_{irr0}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\nu}}
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$$
h(t) = (1 - t^{\nu})(1 - t^m)
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$$
f_p(b) = b^p (1 - b)^q
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$$
t = \frac{T}{T_{irr0}} \qquad b = \frac{B}{B_{irr}(T)}
$$

$$
I_{op} = 61 \text{ kA}
$$
  
\n $B_{op} = 20 \text{ T}$   
\n $T_{op} = 20 \text{ K}$   
\n $T_{cs} = 29.7 \text{ K}$ 

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# Optimal cooling conditions



- Compared to typical conditions at 4.5 K, operation at 20 K implies
	- High pressure, o(20) bar
	- Large temperature increase, o(3) K



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#### NOTE: time stucture ignored





## Nominal cooling condition

- A flow *dm/dt* of approximately 8 g/s is required to remove a nuclear heat load of 150 W with a temperature increase  $\Delta T$  of 3 K
- With this flow the pumping loss is about 20 W (considering an adiabatic efficiency  $\eta_{\text{pump}}$  of 80 %)
- This is about 13 % of the nuclear heat load, and is an acceptable overhead
- It would be possible to remove higher heat loads under the same temperature increase, but the pumping loss grows rapidly, approximately like (*dm/dt*) 3





## Margin and stability – 1/3



• Values of stability margin are (as expected) very high ! It is very unlikely that the cable will quench because of transient heat inputs

The stability margin is well above the enthalpy reserve of the cable, also including helium. The reason is that the transient is slow, and there is time to *conduct* and *convect* heat away even for very large INZ lengths

This effect is even more marked at low field (high temperature margin)



## Margin and stability – 2/3

- The temperature margin  $\Delta T$  is about 10 K at nominal conditions of current, field and temperature
- $I_{\text{op}}$  = 61 kA<br>B<sub>on</sub> = 20 T  $\frac{3}{T}$  = 20 T<br>= 20 K  $= 20 K$
- In the low field regions of the coil (e.g. 4 T) **the temperature margin is above 40 K**
- The large stability in the low field region may make protection difficult ?





## Margin and stability – 3/3



• Operating at higher temperature than 20 K (e.g. 25 K) **may still be an option**, the energy margin is substantial

• Operating at lower temperature than 20 K (e.g. 15 K) does not bring a substantial benefit in energy margin

• **Recall that the heat capacity drops dramatically at low temperature**



### Detection and protection – 1/3

Coil Module 2 (high field and current)

- Single coil stored energy: 165 MJ
- Coulped stored energy: 299.7 MJ
- Dump voltage: 5 kV

INZ in the center of the double pancake 10 cm length quenched Exponential dump following trigger



### Detection and protection – 2/3



Detection with "reasonable" voltage values appears to work !



### Detection and protection – 3/3

- Study the detection and dump for quenches in the low field region or at low current/field
	- The low field region at nomnal current seems to be most dangerous
	- Low current/low field (e.g. during ramp) implies long detection times, but this appears compatible with modest hot-spot limits





### HTS cable mechanics



May this be the reason why soldered and twisted high field and high current cables are also subject to degradation ?





 $(AVG)$ 

 $.700E + 07$ 

 $.140E + 08$ 

.210E+08

 $.280E + 08$ 

 $.350E + 08$ 

 $.420E + 08$ 

 $.490E + 08$ 

 $.560E + 08$ 

 $630E + 08$ 

 $(AVG)$ 

 $-.383E + 08$ 

 $-.282E + 08$ 

 $-.180E + 08$ 

 $-.782E + 07$ 

 $.236E + 07$ 

 $.125E + 08$ 

 $.227E + 08$ 

 $.329E + 08$ 

 $.430E + 08$ 

532F+08

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## Opportunities and perspective

- We are looking for a solution to the design of the target and capture channel of the Muon Collider, which needs a **peak field of 20 T on axis, based on an HTS force-flow cooled cable operating at 20 K**
	- Lower footprint, mass, stored energy and cost than a LTS/NC hybrid
	- Better energy efficiency than a 4.5 K system
	- Though there is much work to do, **the design selected seems not too far from being feasible !**
	- This is also interesting because of implications for



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#### • **Compact fusion machines**









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#### **HTS is the only path beyond 16 T**

## The need for energy

- CERN uses today **1.3 TWh** per year of operation, with peak power consumption of **200 MW** (running accelerators and experiments), dropping to **80 MW** in winter (technical stop period)
- **Electric power is drawn** directly from the French 400 kV distribution, and presently supplied under agreed conditions and cost
- **Supply cost, chain and risk** are obvious concerns for the present and future of the laboratory







#### Energy efficient cryogenics  $W/Q = (T_h - T_c)/T_c$



**HTS may be the only path towards a future collider**





Aurélien REYS, Vincent BOS

Hélium : les nouvelles géographies d'une ressource critique Briefings de l'Ifri, 16 juin 2022

Future helium **supply is limited** and entails a substantial economical and availability **risk**

#### **Consequences**

#### **Current situation**

- Market shortage is affecting industrial and scientific customers
- Manufacturing industry contracts are impacted with volume limitations
- Large scientific instrument cannot do so & rely on established industrial partnership

#### Helium market still at risk in 2023 and for the coming years

- Uncertainty on the effective Russian production capacity and market access
- Algerian gas production transferred using pipeline instead of LNG
- No more back-up from the US federal authorities, Cliffside for sale ! (C&en News)

Courtesy of F. Ferrand, CERN 35

#### Helium is a by-product of natural gas



Tentative forecast in 2026 based on public announcements of new capacities available in quantity of Iso container of 4.5 tonnes



### The need for economics

- A large component in the magnet cost is the **amount of superconductor** (coil cross section)
- High-field superconductors are (significantly) more expensive than *good-old* Nb-Ti
	- Need to work in two directions:
		- **Reduce the coil cross section** (**increase** *J* **!**)

$$
B=\frac{2\mu_0}{\pi}Jw\sin(\varphi)
$$

$$
A_{coil} = 2\varphi(w^2 + 2R_{in}w) \sim \frac{1}{J^{1.5}}
$$

• **Reduce unit conductor cost**

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\left(\begin{matrix} \widehat{CERN} \\ \diagdown \end{matrix}\right)
$$

#### **HTS may offer both**

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R is



#### **Impressive cost reduction in HTS !**