

Magnet protection considerations for FCC-hh

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GOALS OF MAGNET/CIRCUIT PROTECTION

Safer magnets and circuits

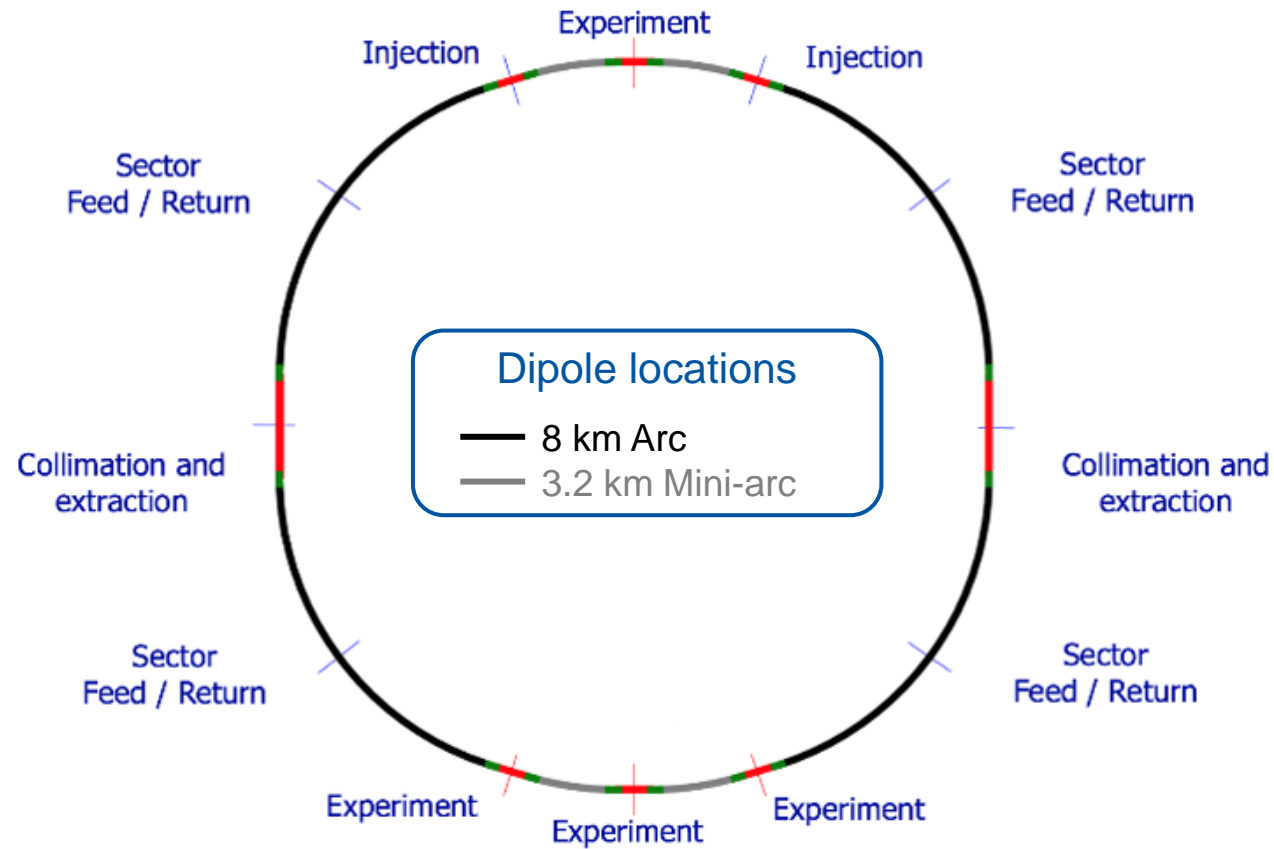
- Lower peak temperature
- Lower peak voltage to ground
- Lower peak thermal stress
- Lower risk (i.e. higher redundancy and less severe consequences)
- Lower downtime (i.e. higher availability)

More efficient magnets and circuits

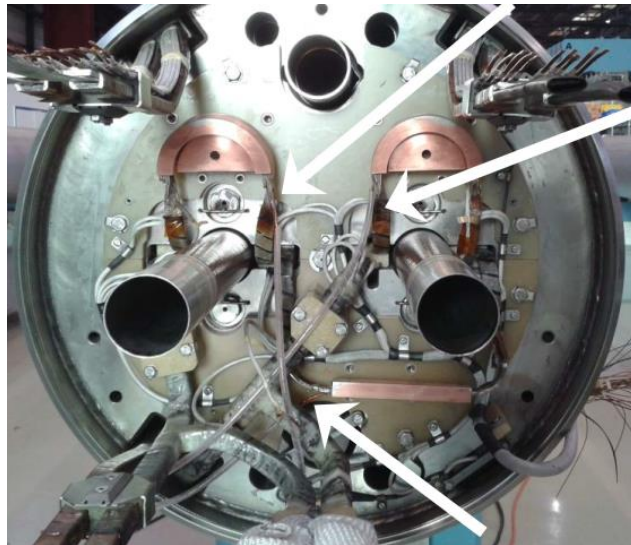
- Lower construction cost
- Lower use of conductor
- Lower operating cost
- Lower operating voltage
- Lower cryogenic loss



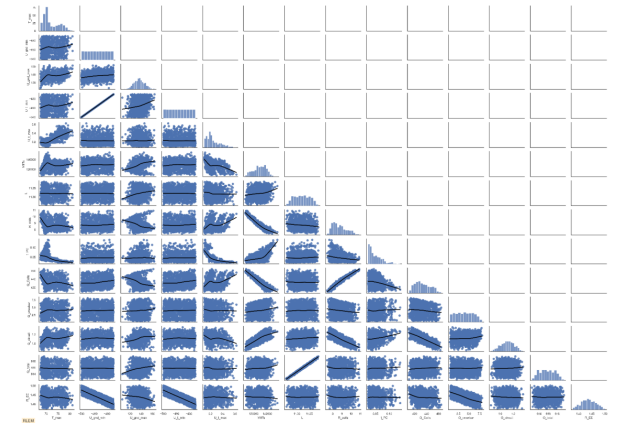
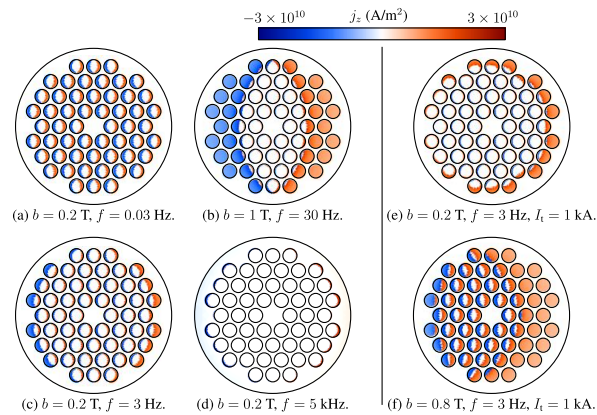
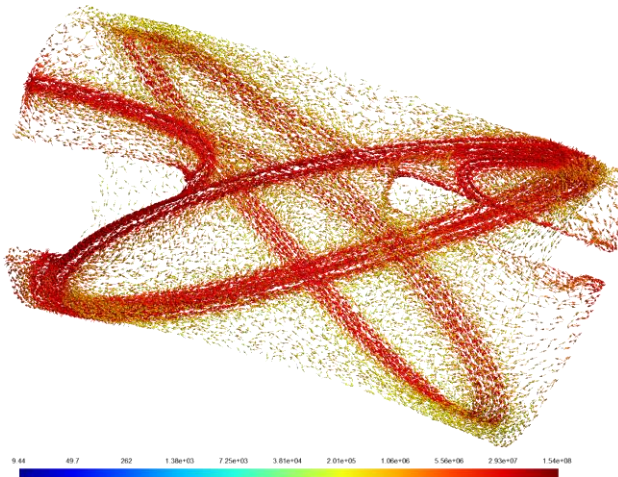
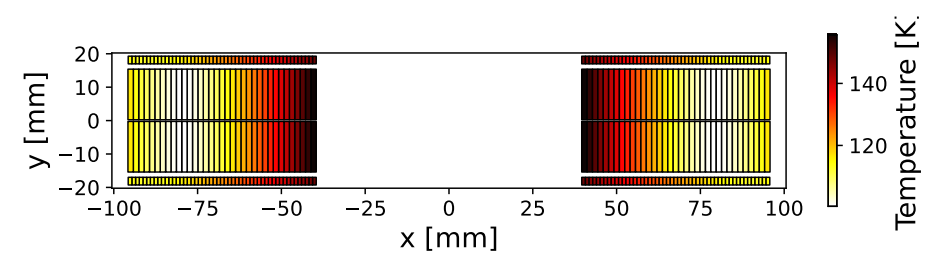
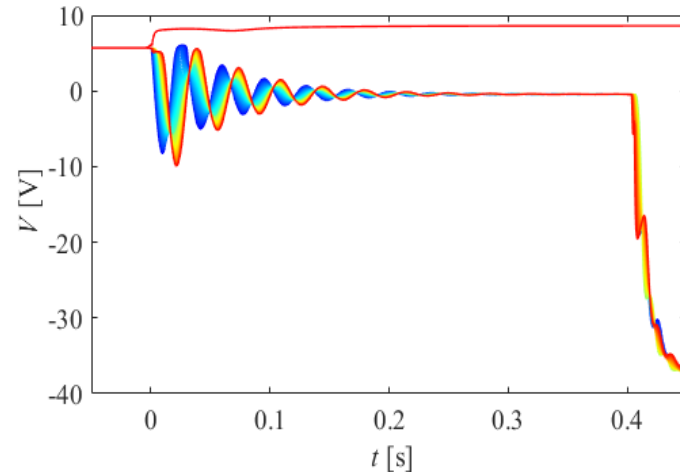
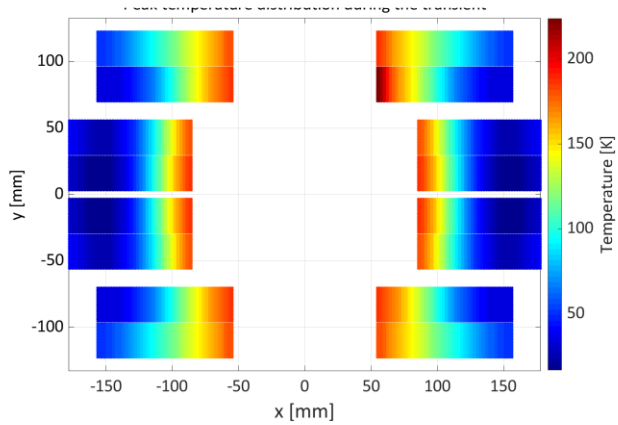
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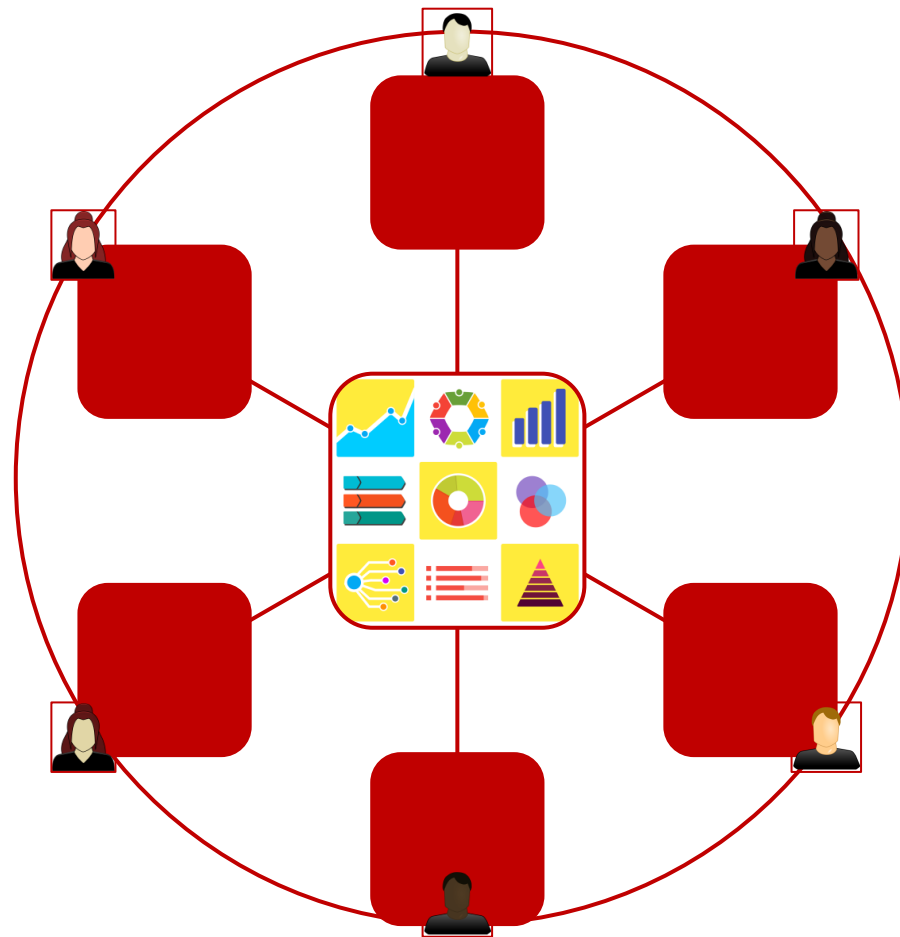
MAGNET QUENCH PROTECTION METHODS



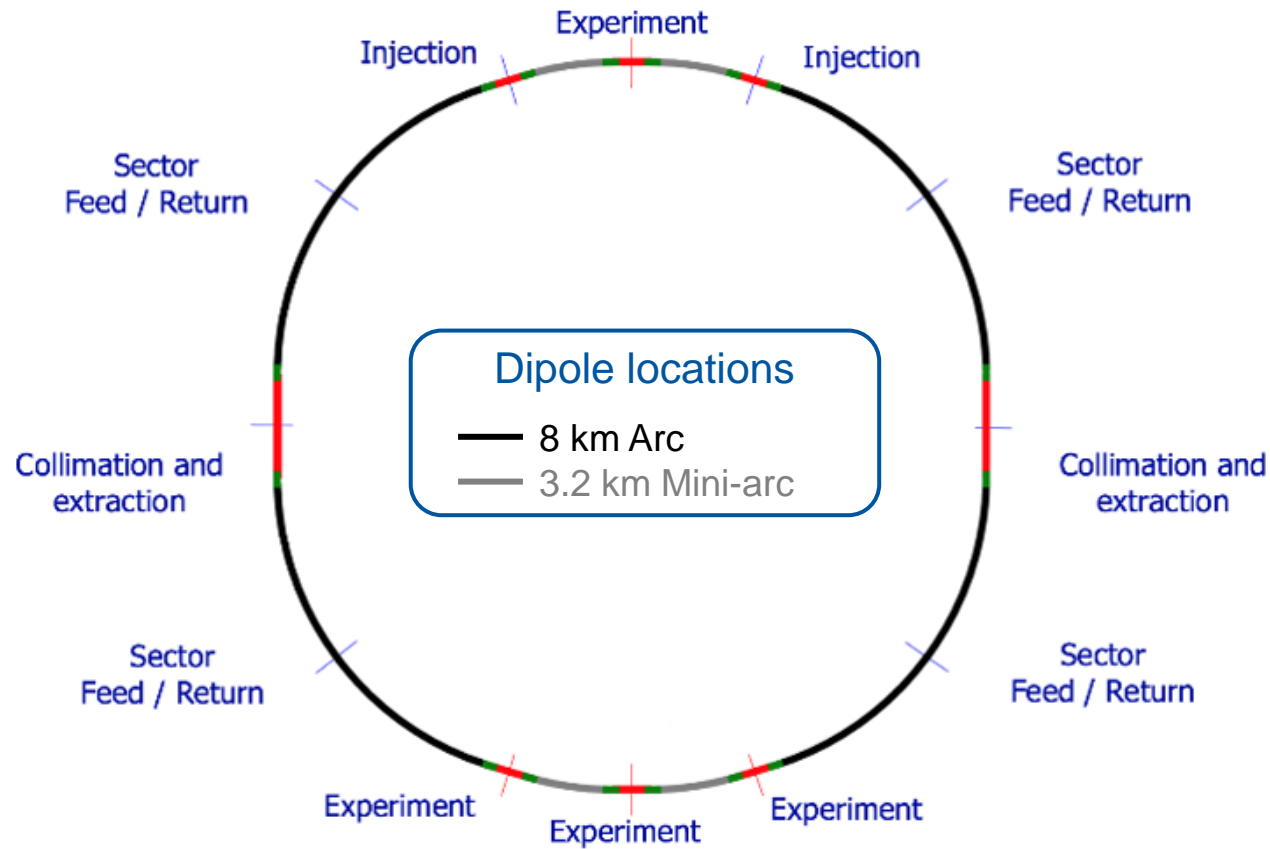
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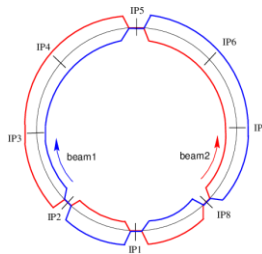
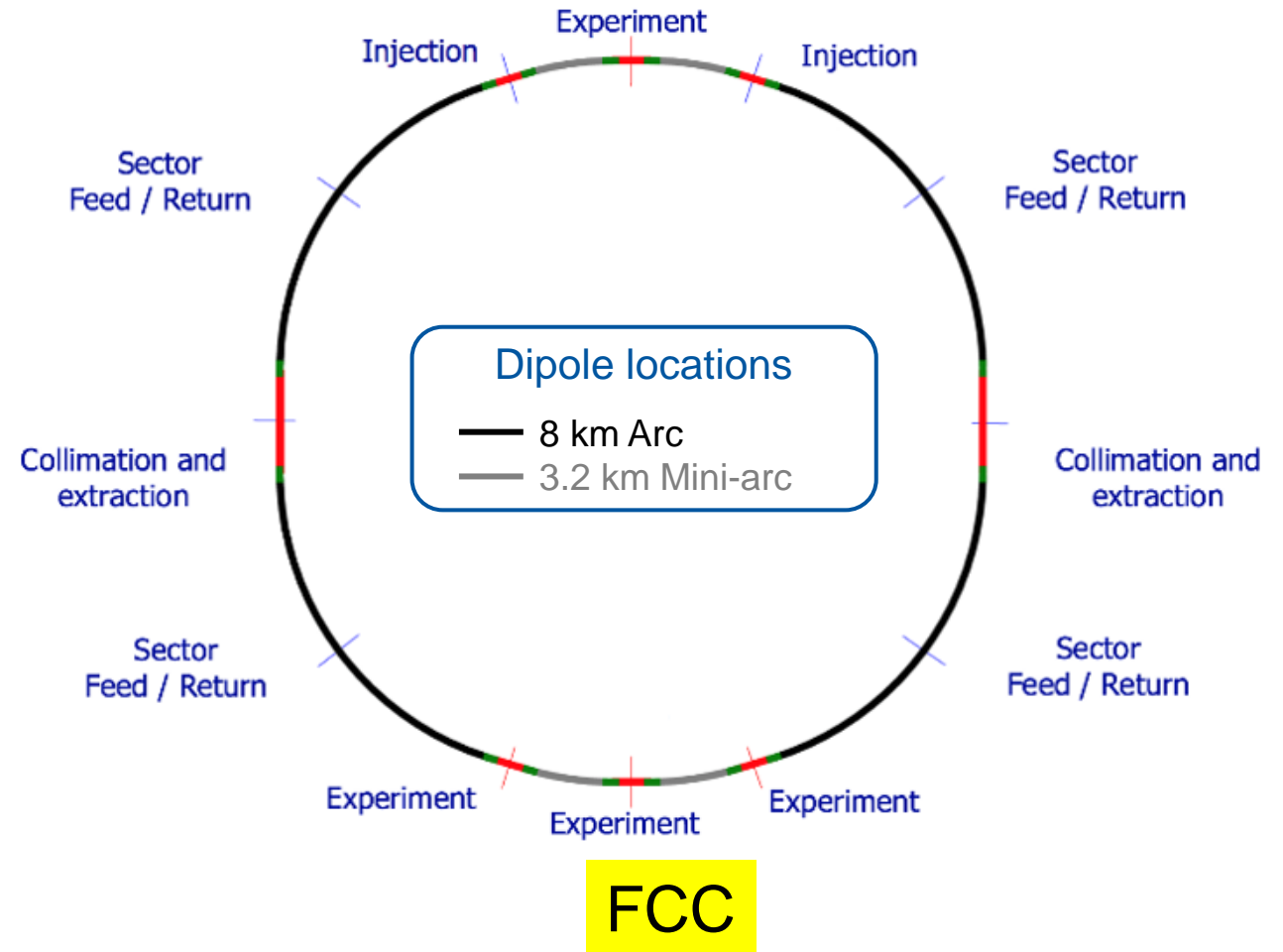


Studies have been performed in 2015-2020 mainly by M. Prioli and A. Verweij, with input from: B. Auchmann, L. Bortot, M. Maciejewski, T. Salmi, R. Schmidt, A. Siemko.



MAIN DIPOLE CIRCUIT PARAMETERS

	LHC	FCC
Number of arcs	8	8
Length arc	3 km	8 km
Number of dipoles per arc	154	438
Nominal current of the dipoles	11.9 kA	10-18 kA
Stored energy per arc	1.1 GJ	16-20 GJ
Number of mini-arcs	-	4
Length mini-arc	-	3.2 km
Number of dipoles per mini-arc	-	180
Stored energy per mini-arc	-	7-8 GJ
Total stored energy in the dipoles	8.8 GJ	108-176 GJ



LHC

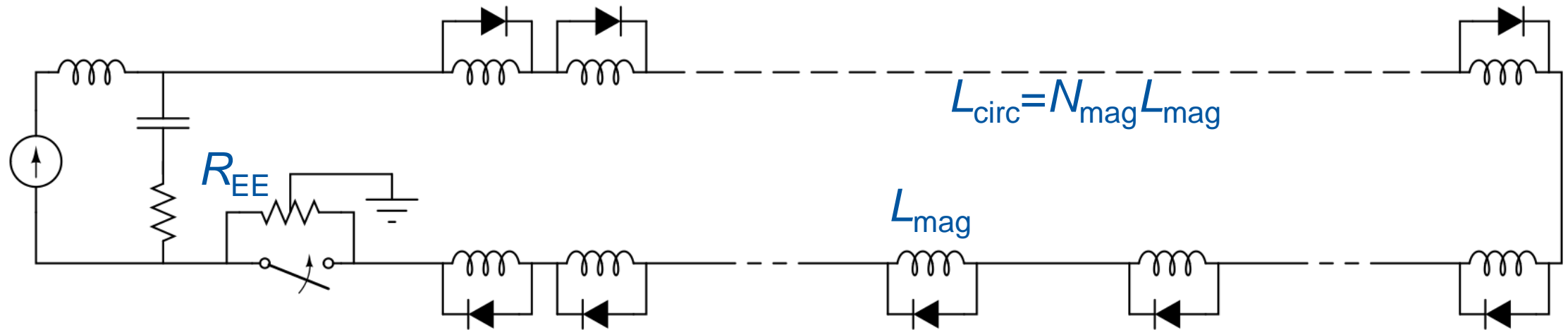
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CIRCUIT POWERING AND PROTECTION STRATEGY

For the FCC-hh we consider LHC-type of powering and protection:

- Series connection of magnets to limit the number of power converters and current leads.
 - Quench detection of individual magnets based on differential voltage.
 - CLIQ units (and/or quench heaters) and cold bypass diodes to protect individual quenching magnets.
 - Warm Energy Extraction (EE) units to protect the circuit, including bypass diodes, busbar and current leads.
- LHC uses a passive R_{EE} (i.e. circuit \sim exponential decay $t_{\text{decay}} = L_{\text{circ}}/R_{EE}$). For FCC we consider an active $R_{EE}(I)$ (i.e. \sim linear decay $t_{\text{decay}} = L_{\text{circ}}/R_{EE,0}$) to reduce the quench load for the same maximum circuit voltage.
- Grounding of the circuit in the centre of one of the EE resistances.

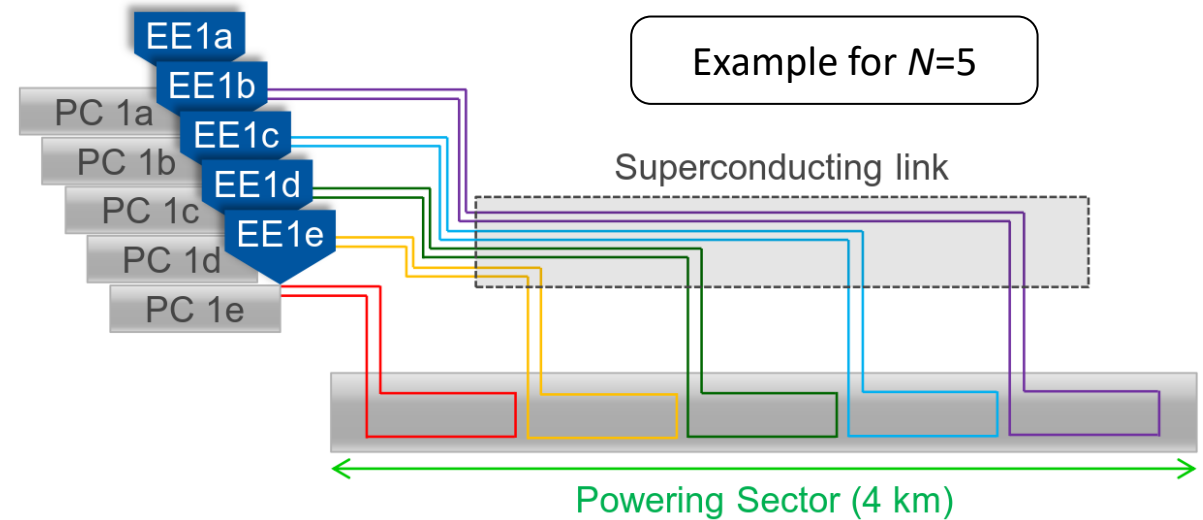
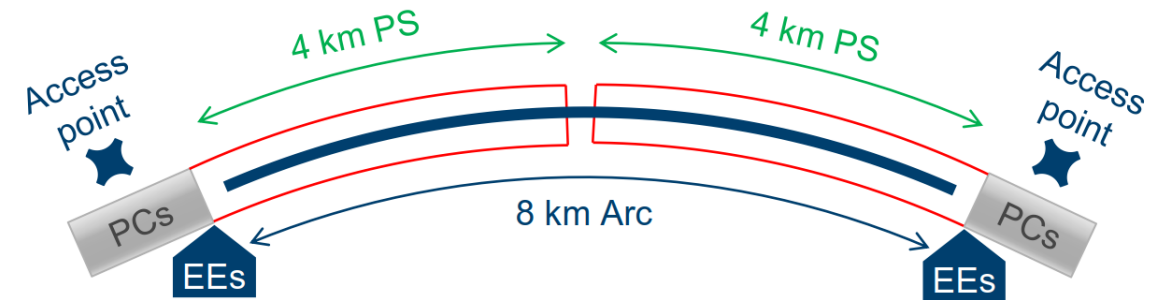


CIRCUIT TOPOLOGY

Power converters (PC) and energy extraction systems (EES) **close to the 12 access points**

➤ Space optimization and easier maintenance

1. Power each 8 km long Arc from two sides, obtaining in total 16 powering sectors (PS) of 4 km
2. Power each 3.2 km long Mini-arc from one side, obtaining in total 4 mini powering sectors (PS_{mini}) of 3.2 km
3. Subdivide each PS in N circuits ($16N$ circuits in total)
4. Subdivide each PS_{mini} in N_{mini} circuits ($4N_{\text{mini}}$ circuits in total)
5. Equip each circuit with one PC and one energy-extraction unit (EES)
6. Power the circuits through superconducting links



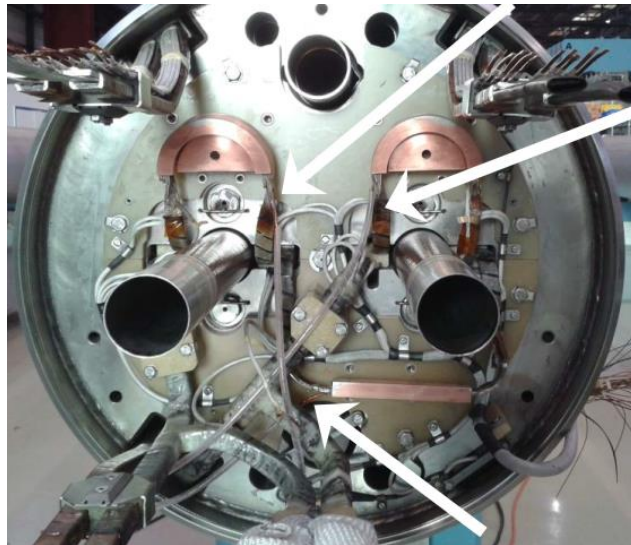
CIRCUIT DESIGN TARGETS

Design target	N, N _{mini}	I _{magnet}
Minimize the Voltage Withstand Level; $VWL+f*(U_{quench,max}+U_{circuit,max})$	↑	↑
Minimize the discharge time τ during a Fast Power Abort and hence cross-section of the busbars; $\tau=L_{circ}/R_{EE,0}$	↑	↑
Minimize the stored energy in a circuit (risk scenario's)	↑	
Minimize the number of SC links	↓	
Minimize the thermal heat inleak	↓	↓
Reduce number of EES and current rating EES	↓	↓
Minimize ramp time and the required peak voltage and power of the PC	↓	↑
Minimize the time needed for HWC & training campaign	↑	

This circuit topology is very flexible. Optimum values for N and N_{mini} have to be defined depending on type of magnet and various design targets, resulting in about 80-120 powering circuits (see Annex)



MAGNET QUENCH PROTECTION METHODS



EVOLVING QUENCH PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS

8 T

- ✓ Nb-Ti
- ✓ Quite some margin in terms of hot-spot temperature, peak voltages to ground, peak stresses
- ✓ Often quenching ~20% of the coil volume is enough to protect the magnet

12 T

- ✓ Nb₃Sn
- ✓ Tighter margin in terms of hot-spot temperature and peak voltages to ground
- ✓ New quench protection method introduced
- ✓ Peak stresses are an issue as Nb₃Sn is quite sensitive to stress/strain

14-16 T

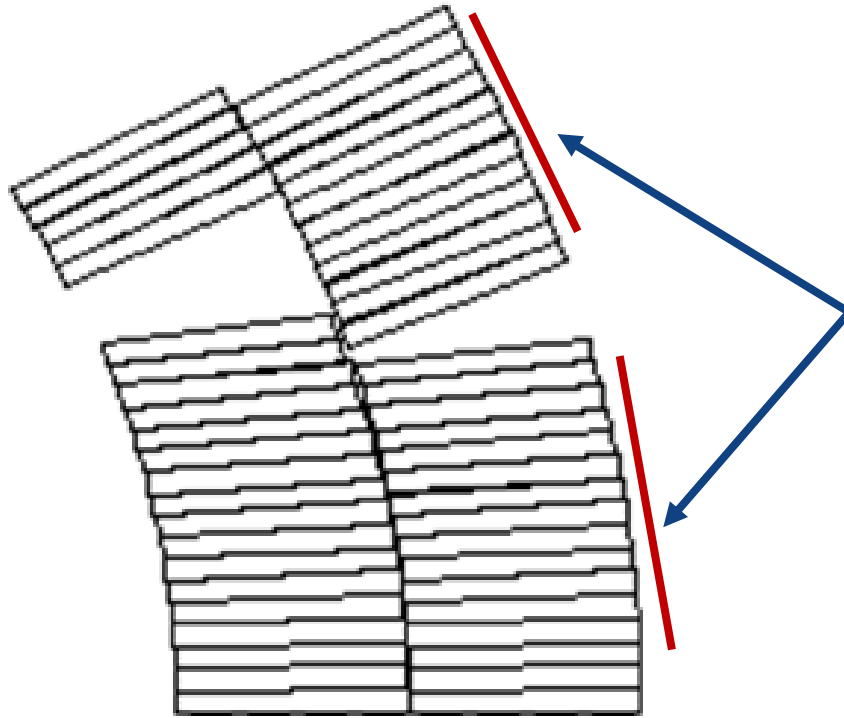
- ✓ Nb₃Sn
- ✓ Even tighter margins
- ✓ Typical target: 90-100% coil quenched in 1-5 ms
- ✓ Peak stresses are a significant issue and require rethinking the support structure

20+ T

- ✓ HTS
- ✓ New quench protection methods needed
- ✓ Screening currents during transients can cause very high stresses
- ✓ If LTS+HTS, insert/outsert solution is possible



QUENCH HEATERS (QH)



Advantages

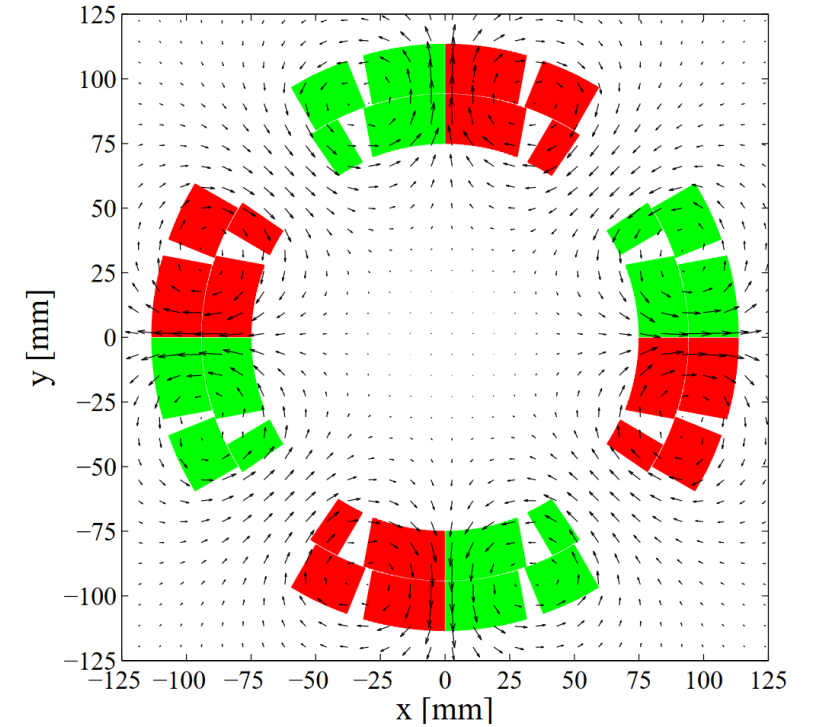
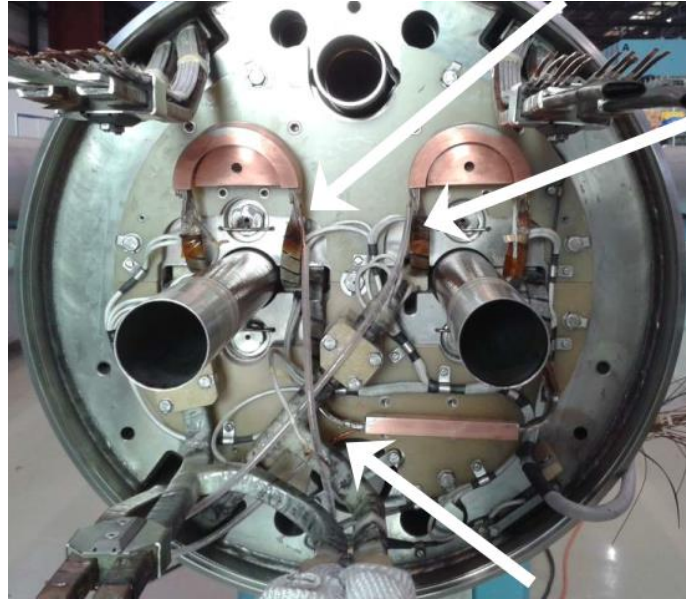
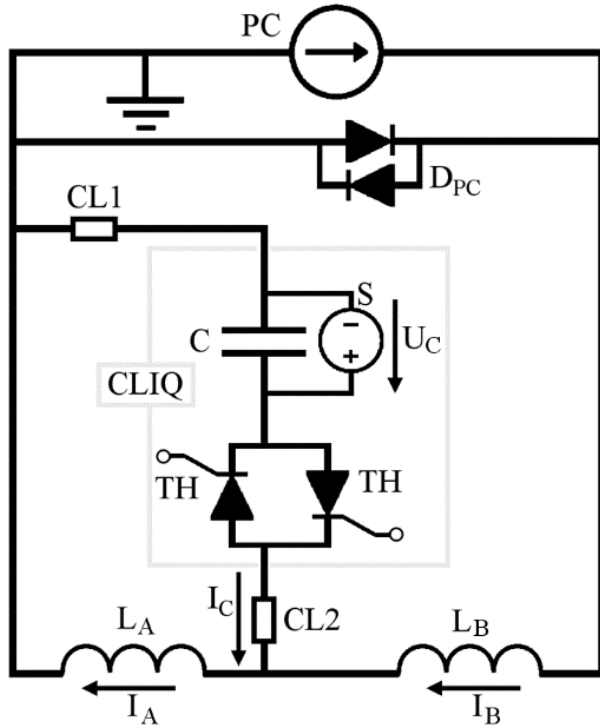
- Scales well with the magnet length
- Doesn't impose a voltage on the magnet coils
- Well known and established technology

Disadvantages

- Thin insulation between QH and conductor is risky
- Challenging to cover all turns and layers
- Challenging to cover all length (heating stations)



COUPLING-LOSS INDUCED QUENCH (CLIQ)



Advantages

- Fast and effective heat deposition
- Heat deposited simultaneously in all the coil volume
- Electrically robust system

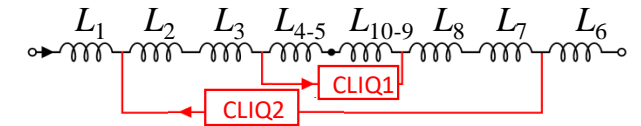
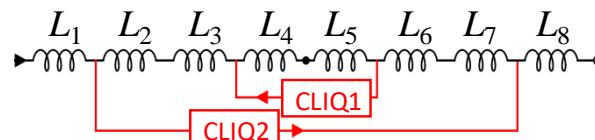
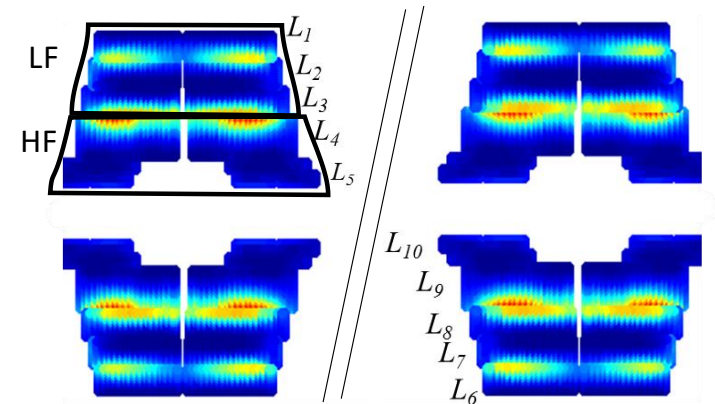
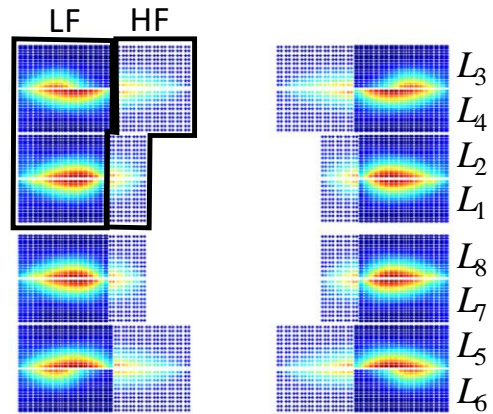
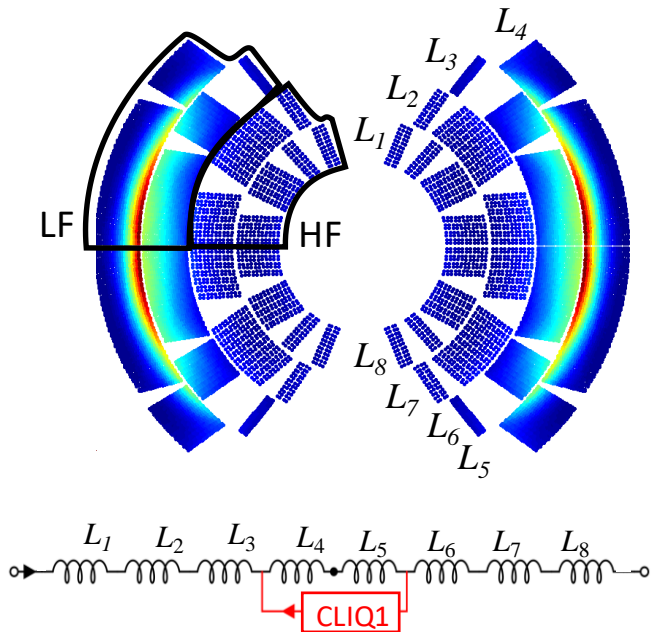
Disadvantages

- Direct electrical connection to the magnet circuit
- Challenging to make it redundant
- Additional asymmetric forces on the magnet coils



EuroCirCol 16 T MAGNET QUENCH PROTECTION STUDY

STEAM simulations	T_{Hotspot} [K]		U_{ground} [V]		N_{units} per magnet	
	CLIQ	QH	CLIQ	QH	CLIQ	QH
Cos- θ	286	322	800	870	2	14
Block	281	321	730	870	4	13
Common-coil	284	330	1100	1040	2	15



Tiina Salmi, et al., Quench Protection of the 16 T Nb₃Sn Dipole Magnets Designed for the Future Circular Collider, 2019



THE CHALLENGE FOR HIGH-FIELD MAGNET PROTECTION

Achieve very fast
quench initiation

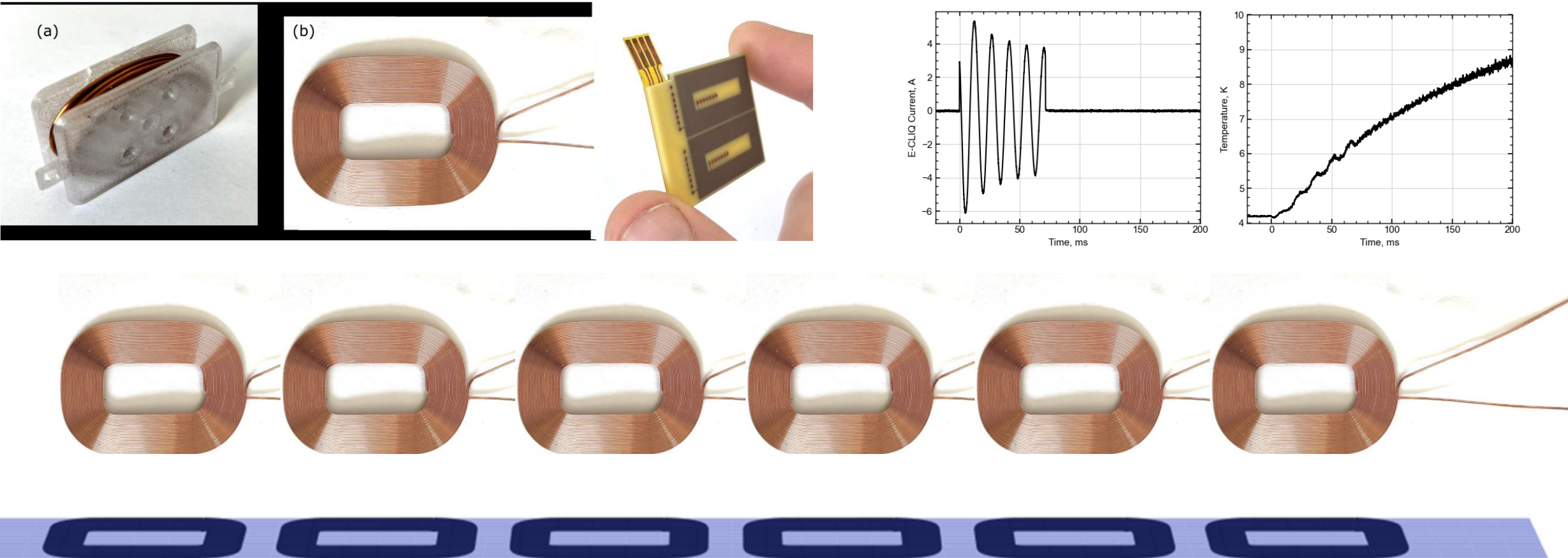
(target 90-100% coil
quenched in 1-5 ms)

Without physical
contact to the coil

Without electrical
contact to the coil



EXTERNAL COIL COUPLED LOSS INDUCED QUENCH (E-CLIQ)

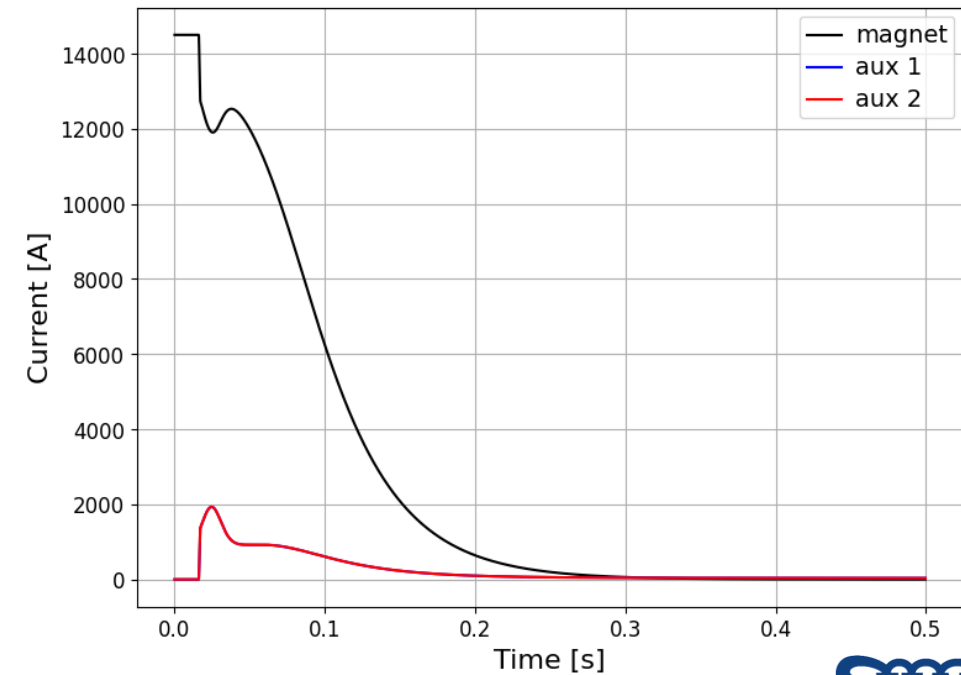
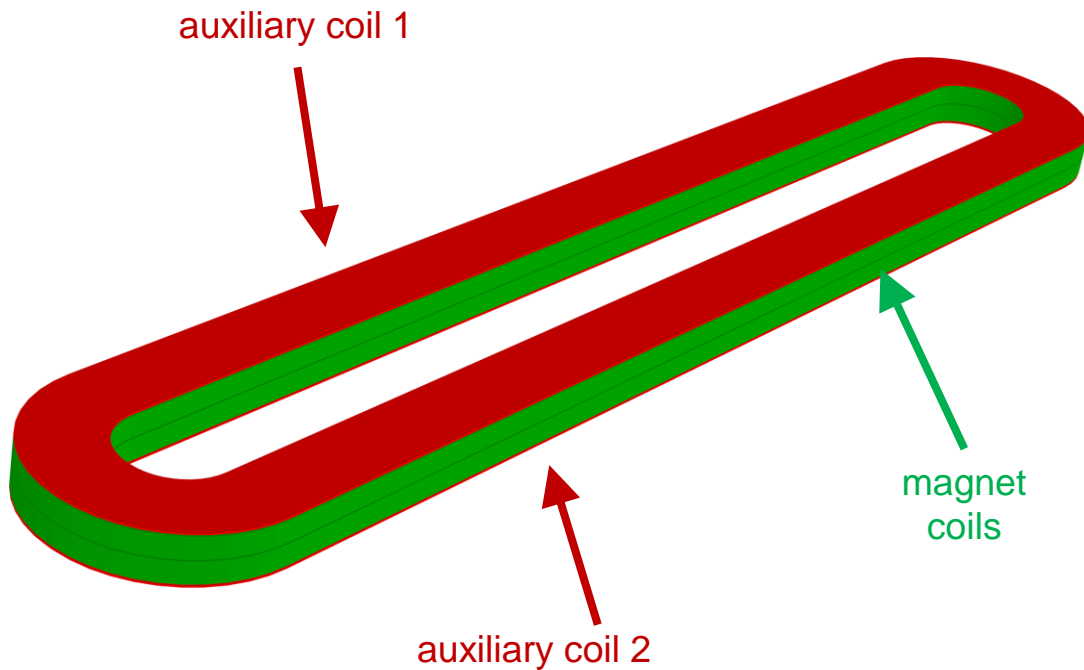
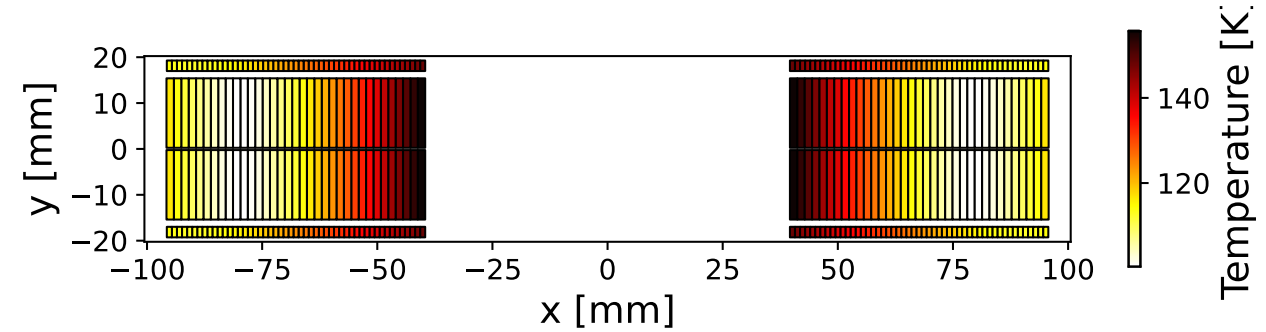


T. Mulder et al., "External Coil Coupled Loss Induced Quench (E-CLIQ) System for the Protection of LTS Magnets", IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond. 2022, <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2856850>.

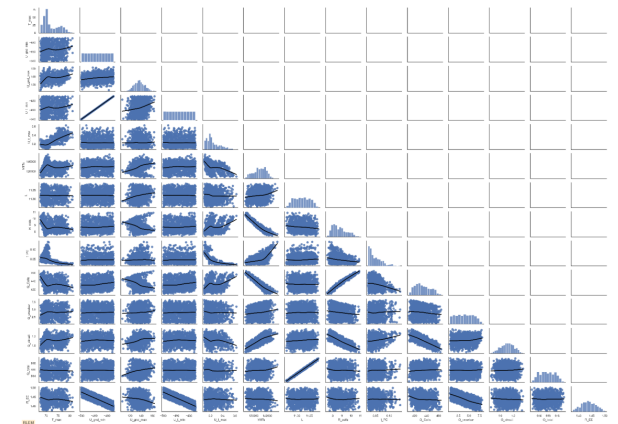
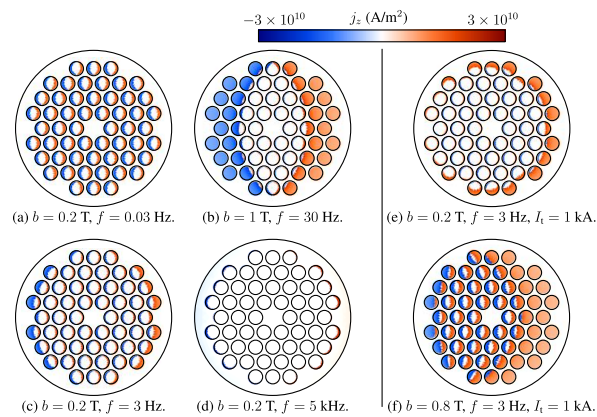
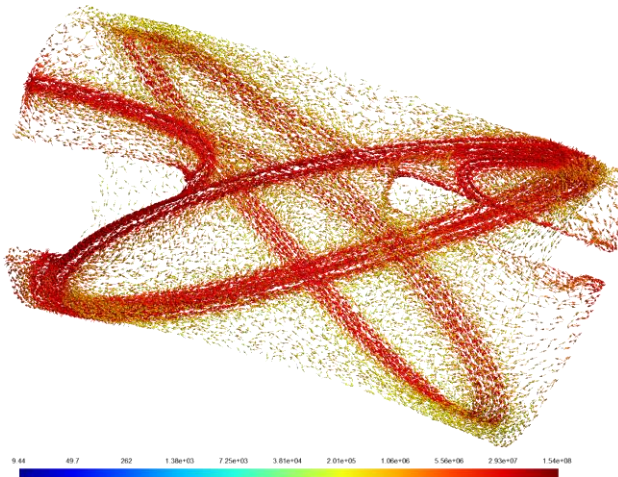
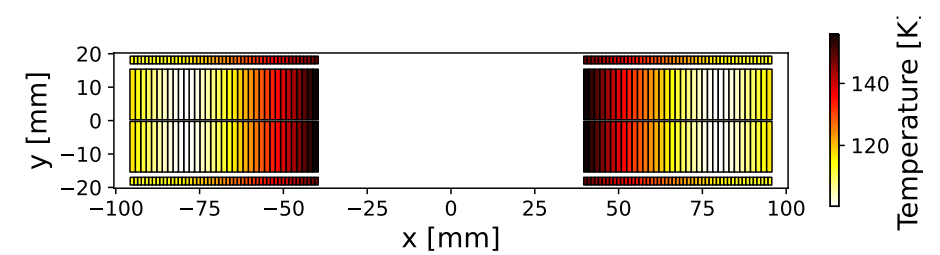
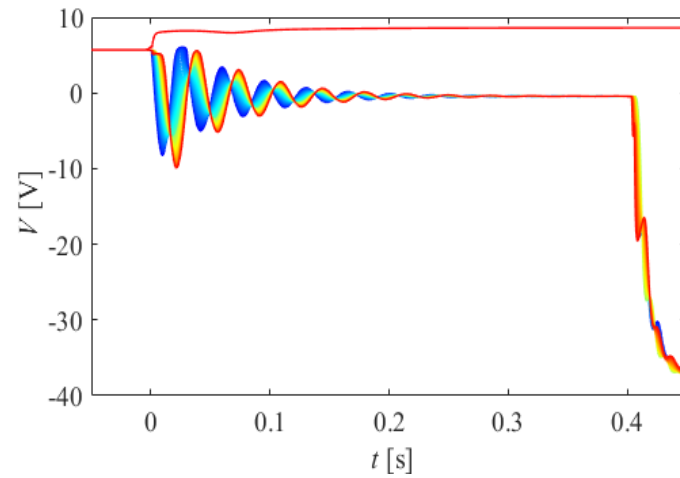
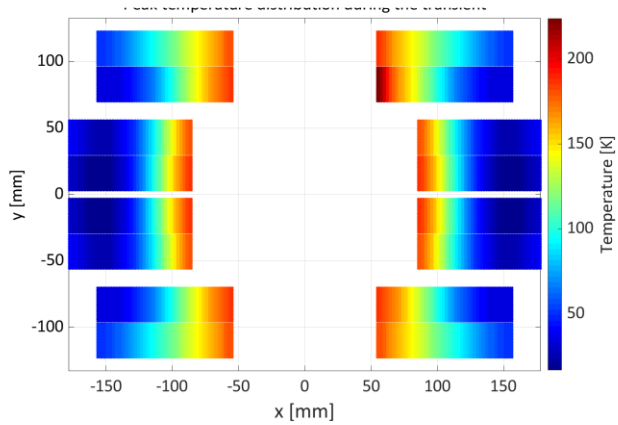


ENERGY SHIFT WITH COUPLING (ESC)

- ✓ As fast as CLIQ or faster
- ✓ Extracts part of the magnet energy
- ✓ Sudden current drop \rightarrow lower ohmic loss
- ✓ Electrically insulated from coil
- ✓ Easier redundancy



MODELING



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Transient losses

- They will likely be key for protecting high-field magnets
- Transient effects also affect magnet powering, beam dynamics, mechanics

Stress during quench

- Thermal stress could result in the highest stress experienced by the conductor
- Especially important for stress-managed magnets

Fast, integrated tools

- Target: a few minutes per transient simulation
- Important to couple different design and simulation tools
- Can AI take over?

HTS

- Material properties
- Various cable architectures (Roebel, CORC[®], STAR[®], Spiral Cu-plated Striated Coated (SCSC), 6-in-1,...)
- Various loss types

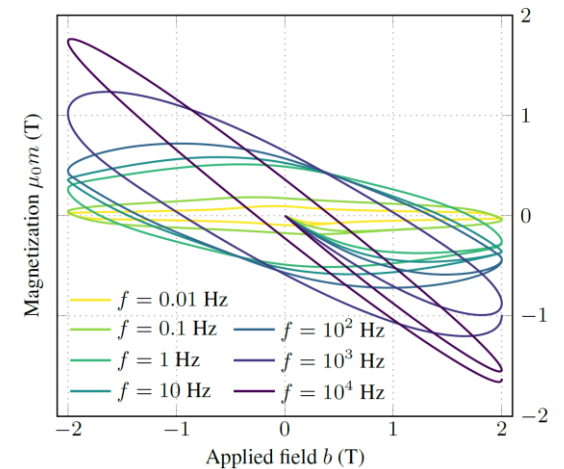
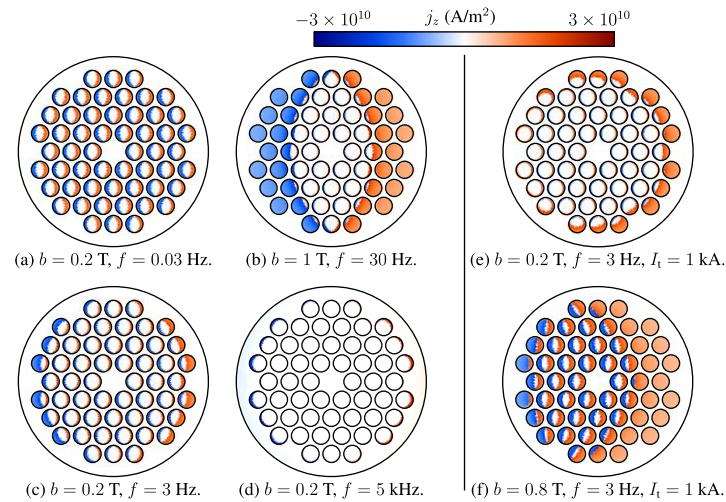
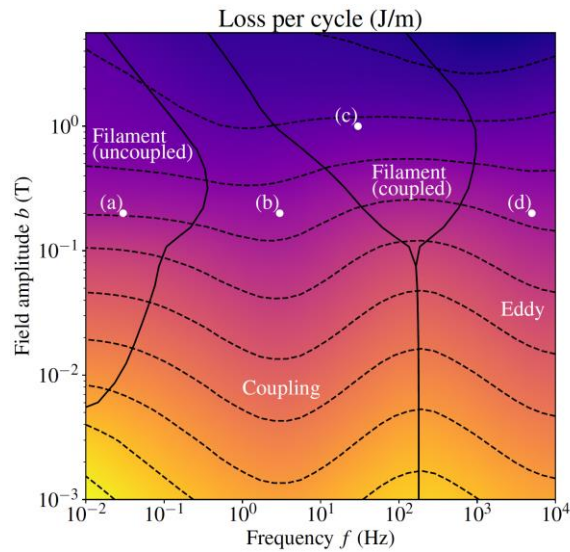
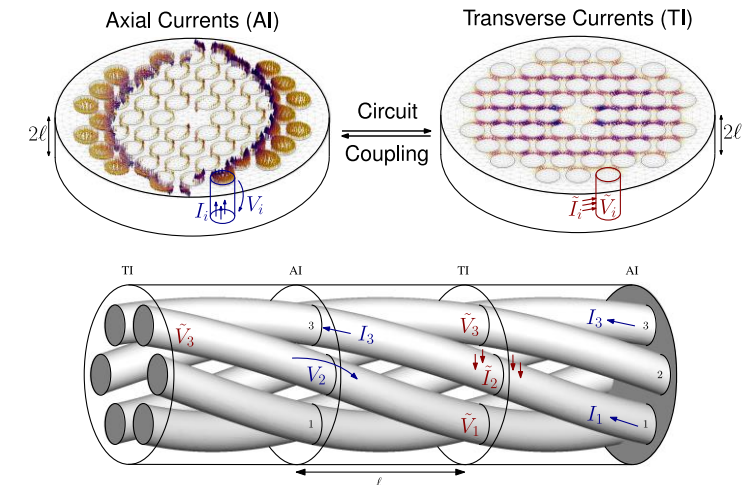
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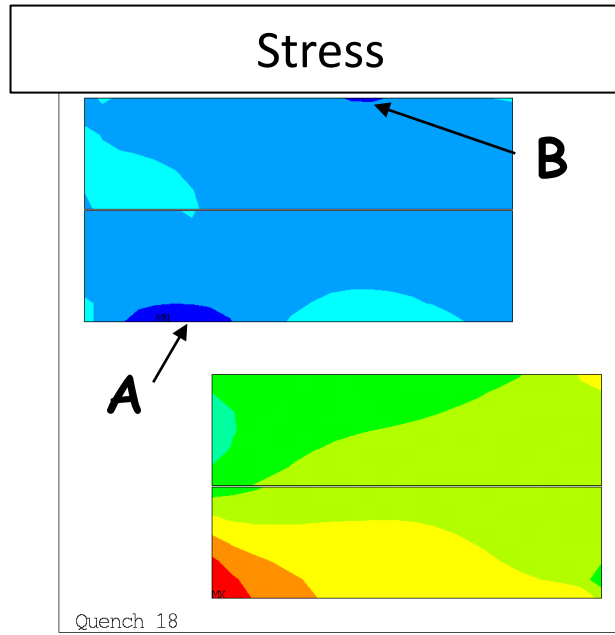
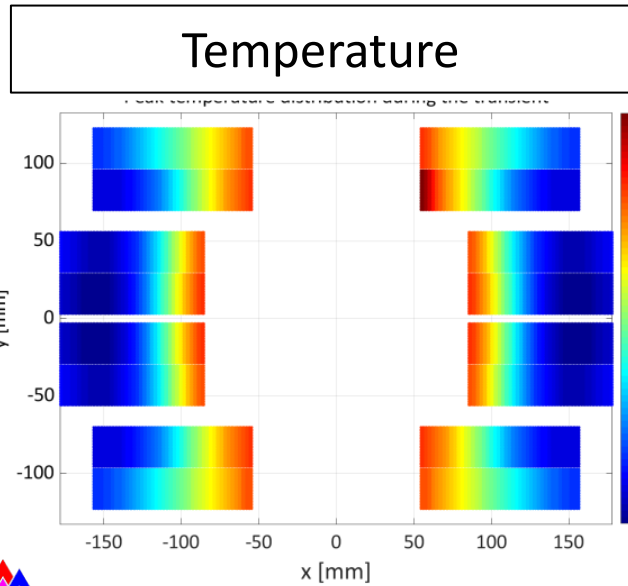
MODELING TRANSIENT LOSSES

- Accurate and efficient model for AC losses in multifilamentary LTS strands
 - Two 2D problems coupled via circuit equations
 - **Coupled Axial and Transverse currents (I): CATI**
 - Coupling currents, eddy, and hysteresis losses

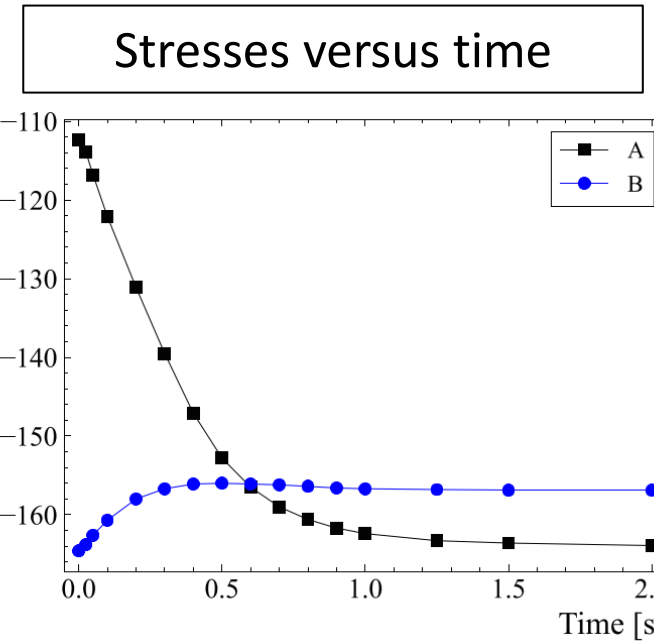
[J. Dular, et al., arxiv.org/abs/2404.09775]
- Here for 54-filament strand with transverse field:



MODELING STRESS DURING QUENCH



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Build 19.2
PLOT NO.: 43
NODAL SOLUTION
STEP=22
SUB =1
TIME=22
SX (AVG)
RSYS=0
DMX =.001201
SMN =-.182E+09
SMNB=-.185E+09
SMX =-.160E+08
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STEAM-LEDET

Electrical domain
Magnetic domain
Thermal domain

Temperatures
e.m. forces

ANSYS

Mechanical domain

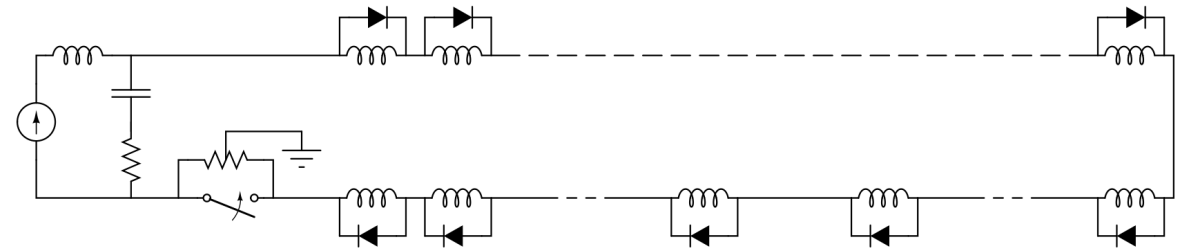
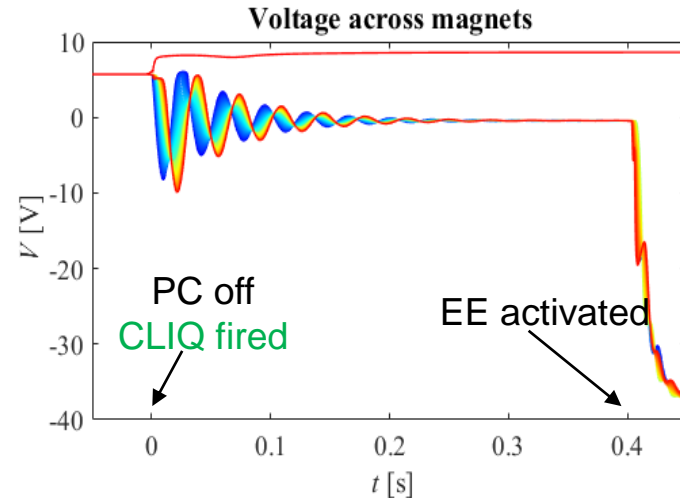
G. Vallone, E. Ravaioli, et al.,
"Simulation of thermo-mechanical stresses after a quench in the 15 T Test Facility Dipole magnet", IEEE Trans Appl SC, 2024.

This workflow was developed
with G. Vallone (LBNL)



COOPERATIVE SIMULATION (CO-SIM)

CLIQ in full circuit:
PSPICE + LEDET

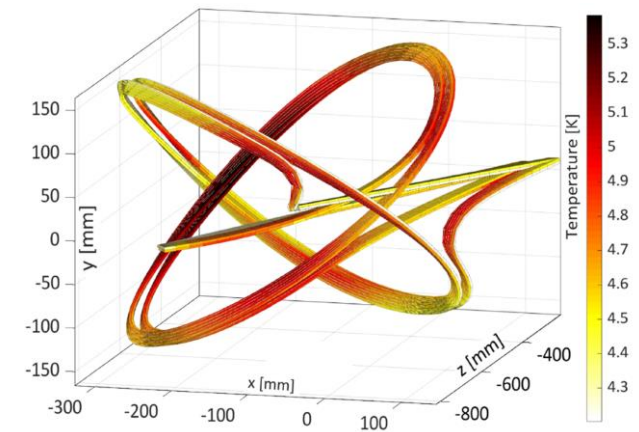
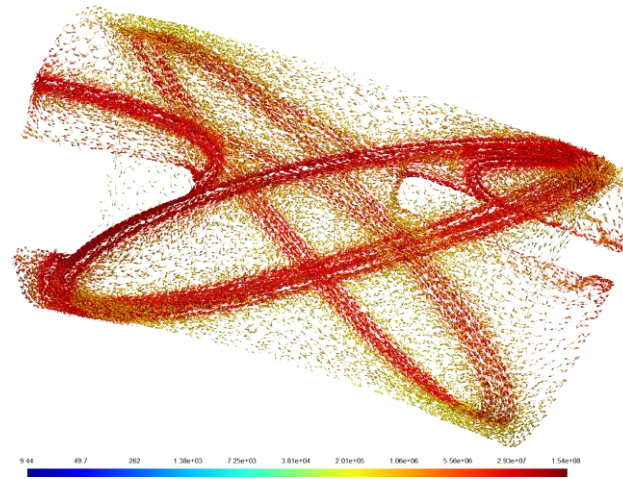


Work of M. Prioli and STEAM team
Plot from A. Verweij's FCC Week 2019 presentation

CCT magnet transient:
FiQuS + LEDET



*Magnet design courtesy
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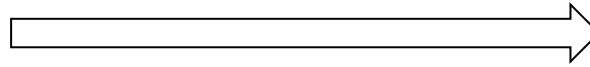
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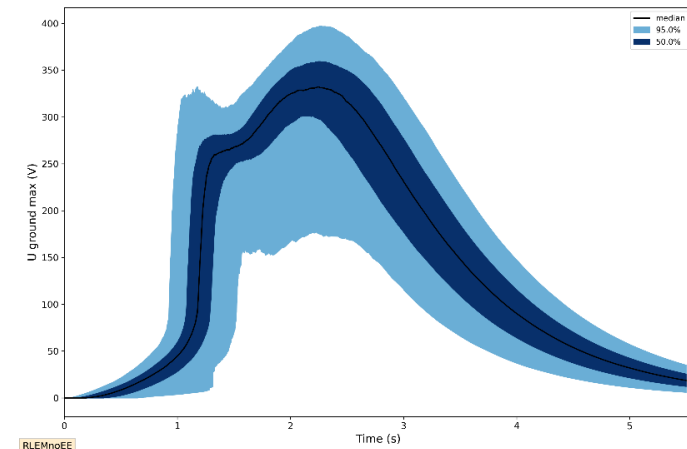
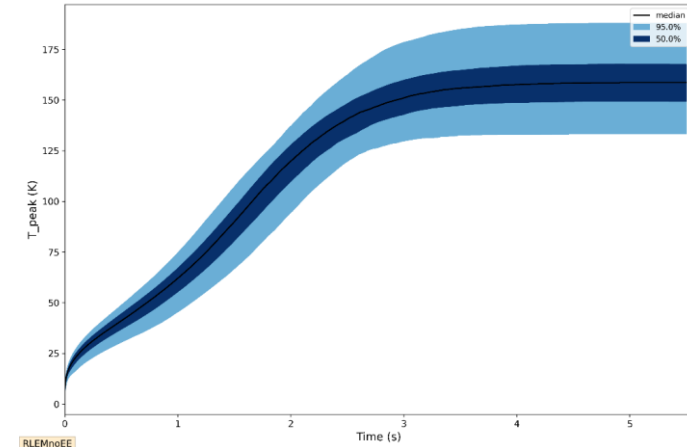
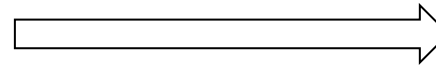
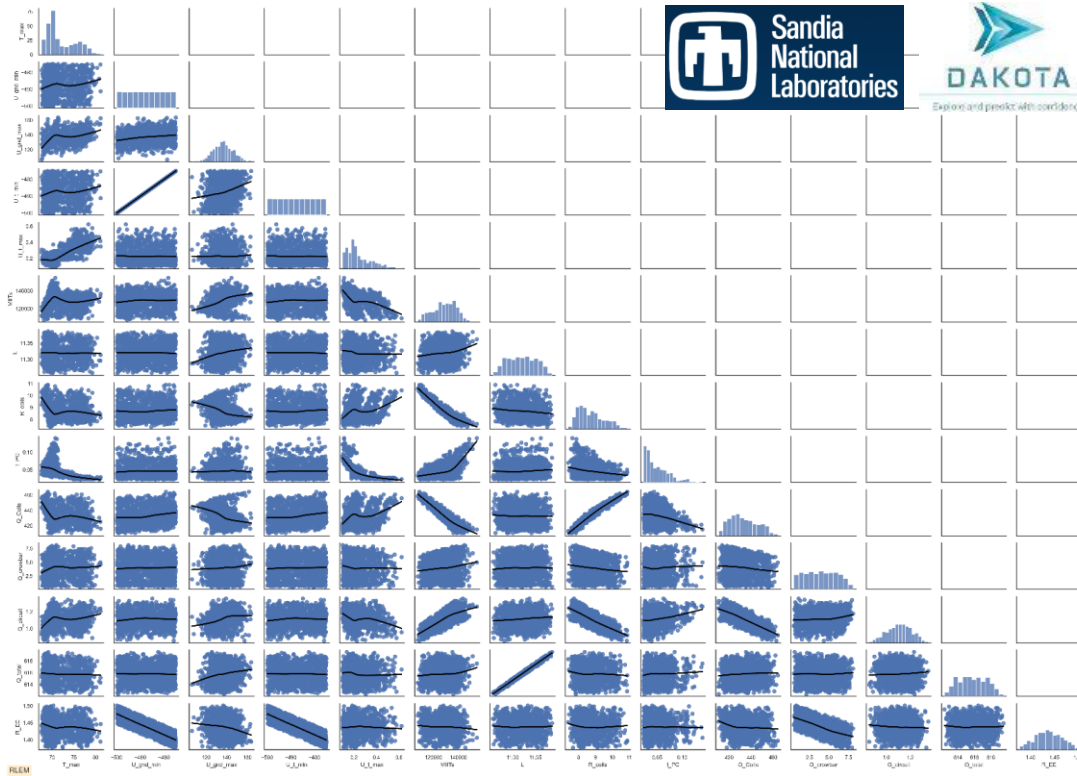
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High Field Magnets

FAST AND BROAD PARAMETRIC STUDIES

Variation or uncertainty on input parameters



Impact or uncertainty on quench protection results



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HIGH TEMPERATURE SUPERCONDUCTORS (HTS)

Screening currents

- Effect on field quality (both transient and persistent)
- Effect of additional forces (both during powering and after quench)

Quench detection

- Novel techniques (acoustic, fiber optics, RF-based techniques, current redistribution, stray capacitance, acoustic thermometry,...)
- Combine multiple methods?
- Detect before thermal runaway?

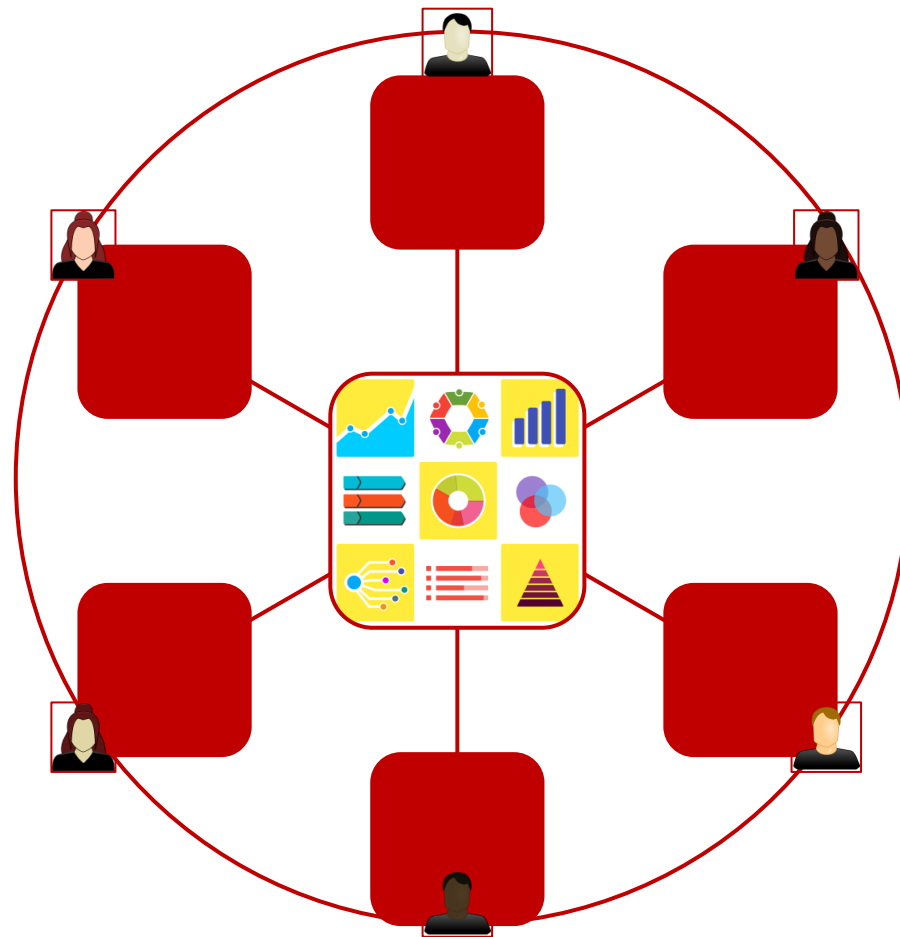
Quench protection

- Very slow quench propagation
- Very high quench energy margin
- Novel techniques (S-CLIQ, E-CLIQ, ESC,...)
- Alternatives to active quenching?

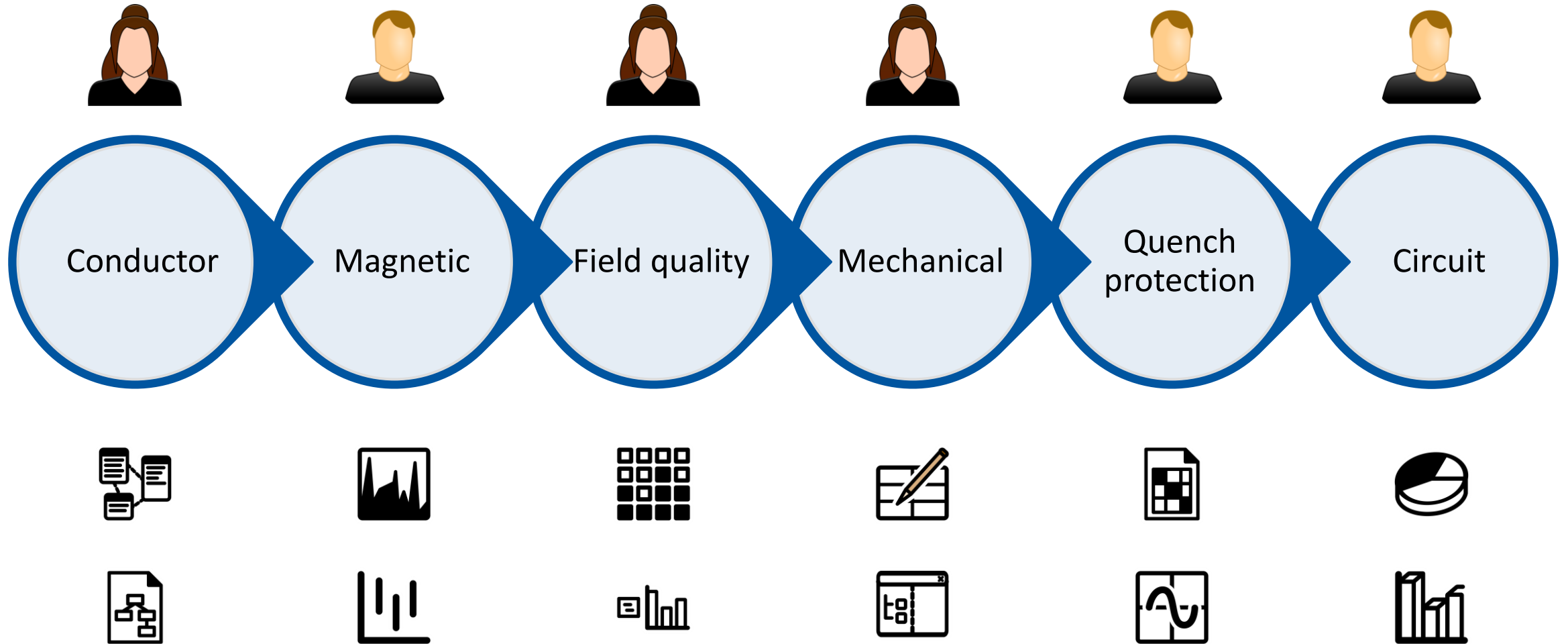
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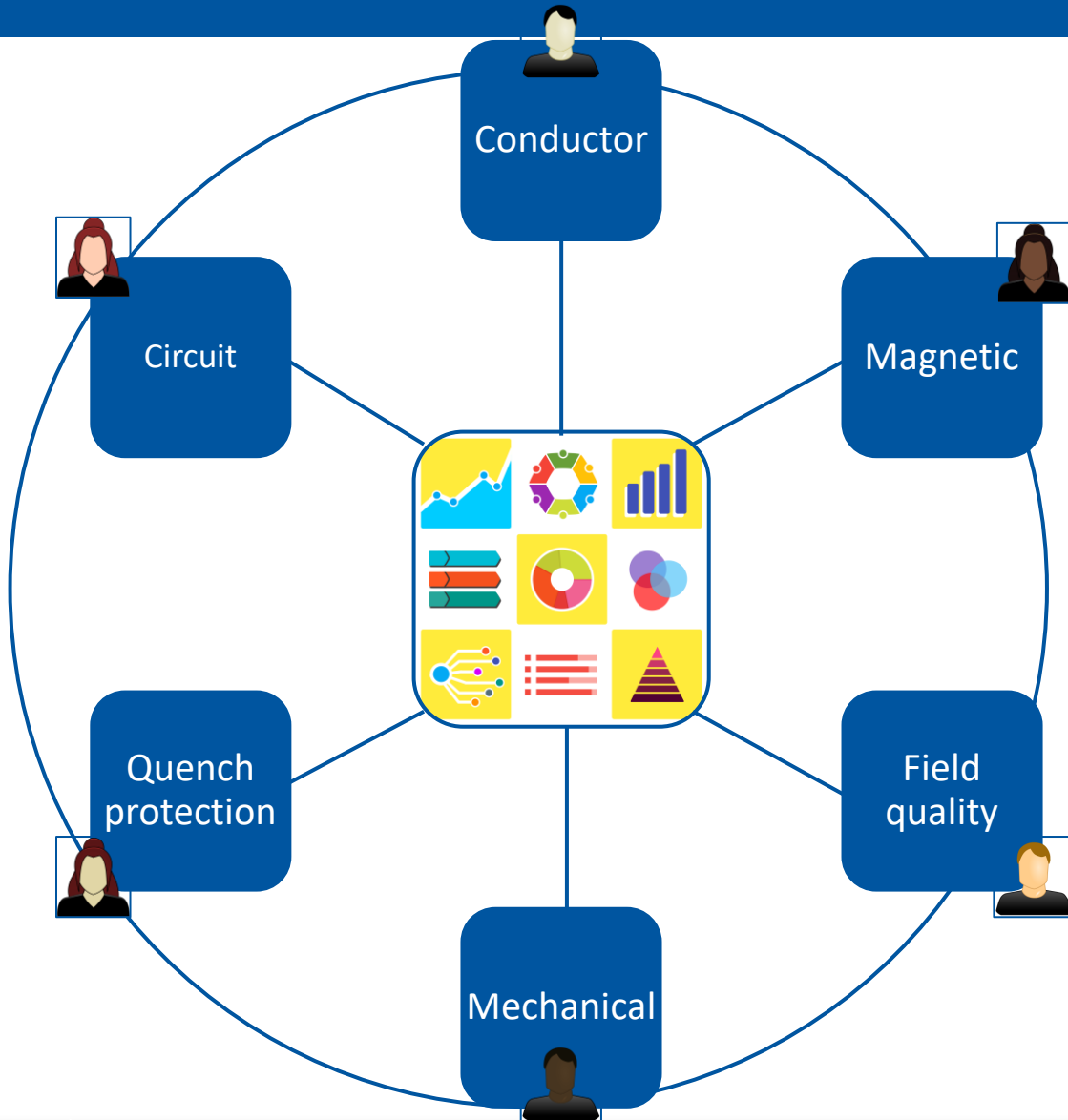
COLLABORATION



ACCELERATOR MAGNET DESIGN



INTEGRATED ACCELERATOR MAGNET DESIGN



Real examples from recent collaborations between CERN, PSI, US MDP

- ✓ Is it easier to protect a magnet with more turns and higher current?
- ✓ Let's optimize grading for increasing margin and decreasing hot-spot temperature!
- ✓ Which conductor types would help quench protection?
- ✓ Where could we fit special protection coils in the magnet cross-section?
- ✓ What can we do to reduce the peak voltages during quench?
- ✓ How will this change affect peak stress during quench?
- ✓ Can we make the magnet smaller if we use a different quench protection method?

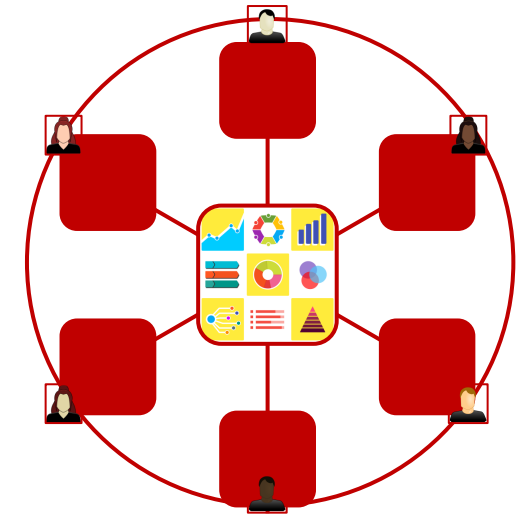
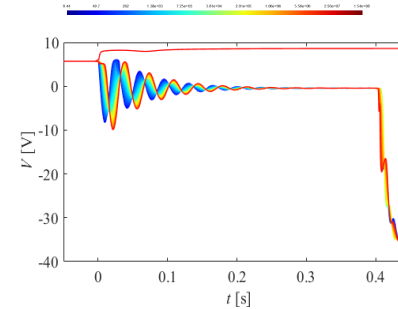
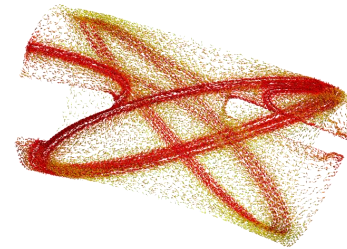
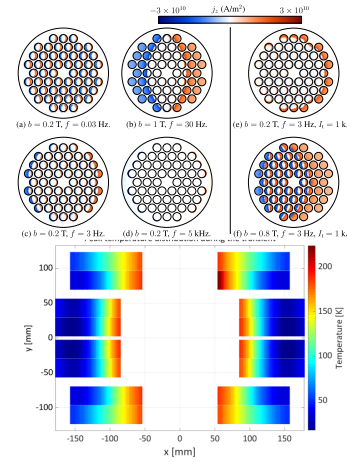
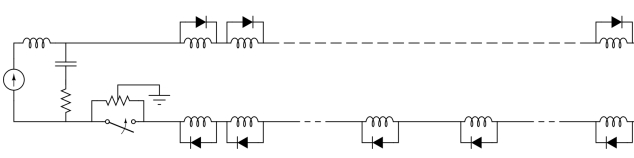
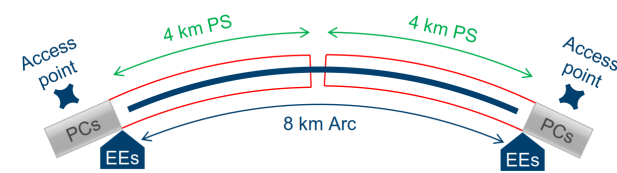
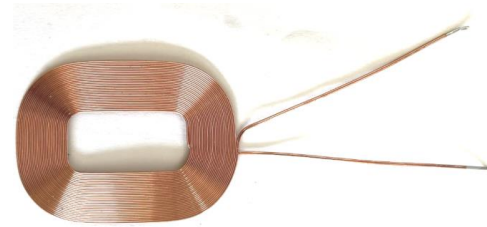
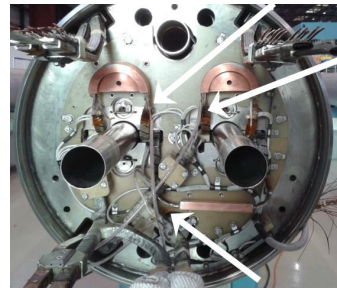
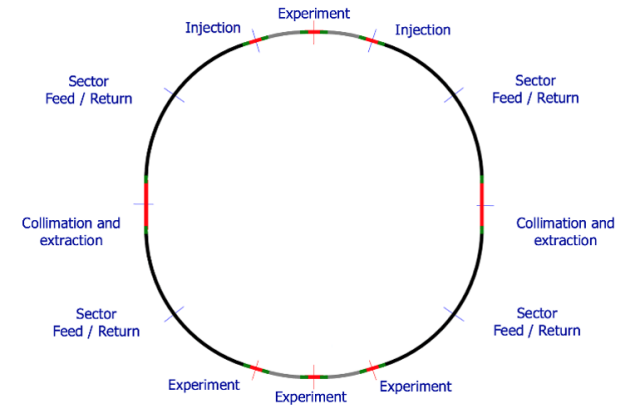


CIRCUIT OPTIMIZATION

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Let's research, design, build, test magnets keeping in mind the full-scale accelerator machine



ANNEX



MAGNET PROTECTION STRATEGY

The **individual magnet protection** is based on a similar concept as the LHC:

- Quench detection based on differential voltage;
- CLIQ or Quench heaters;
- Cold bypass diodes.

Four different FCC magnet designs (LTS, LHe) were considered, varying significantly in terms of inductance and current. *HTS designs were not yet considered*

The ‘allowed’ internal quench voltage $U_{q,max}$ was about 1.2 kV.

	Cos θ (baseline)	Block	Common Coil	CCT
L [H]	0.591	0.745	0.339	0.284
I [A]	11390	10100	16100	18000
E [MJ]	38	38	44	46



Circuit decay time (t_{decay})

Minimizing t_{decay} (after a Fast Power Abort or magnet quench) reduces:

- dissipated energy in the SC busbars and current leads \Rightarrow reduces the required cross-section,
- dissipated energy in the diode heat sinks of a quenched magnet \Rightarrow reduces the required volume of the heat sink,
- probability of quench propagation to neighbouring magnets \Rightarrow less frequent thermal stress in the magnets; faster cryogenic recovery; smaller probability of failures.

$$t_{\text{dec}} = L_{\text{circ}} / (N_{\text{EE}} * R_{\text{EE},0}) \quad \text{with: } N_{\text{EE}}: \text{ the number of EE systems in the circuit}$$

For the LHC: $\tau_{\text{decay}} = 100$ s, copper cross-section busbar = 270 mm², heat sinks of about 30 kg per diode. At nominal current, a quench propagates to typically 5 adjacent magnets.

For the FCC we target $t_{\text{decay}} = 120$ s.



Nr of magnets in a circuit

A **small number of magnets** in a circuit:

- **Reduces the stored energy** in the circuit and hence the damage potential in case of accidents;
- **Reduces the ramp voltage** for given ramp rate;
- **Reduces the duration of a training campaign.** Imagine a circuit of 438 magnets, each needing 1 training quench with a cryogenic recovery time of 12 hours. Such a campaign would take more than 7 months!
- **Increases the number of power converters and current leads.**



Reducing the VWL (\Rightarrow reducing R_{EE}) and reducing as well t_{decay} (\Rightarrow increasing $N_{EE}R_{EE}$) can be met by two circuit topologies:

1. Increase the number of EE systems per circuit (uniformly distributed along the circuit) in order to have an acceptable decay time.
2. Subdivide each circuit in N sub-circuits, each with one EE system, located close to the power converter.

Also taking into account the advantages of having less magnets per circuit (smaller damage potential, smaller ramp voltage of the converter, shorter training campaign) makes **option 2** the preferred topology.



Circuit topology

Setting $t_{\text{decay}}=120$ s, and requiring $U_{\text{circ,max}} < 1300$ V, gives:

		Cosθ	Block	Common Coil	CCT
	L [H]	0.591	0.745	0.339	0.284
	I [A]	11390	10100	16100	18000
	E [MJ]	38	38	44	46
Arc	Nr of circuits N	5	6	4	4
	$U_{\text{circ,max}}$ [V]	1230	1140	1250	1170
Mini-arc	Nr of circuits N_{mini}	4	5	4	3
	$U_{\text{circ,max}}$ [V]	1260	1130	1020	1280
Total	Total nr of circuits	96	116	80	76



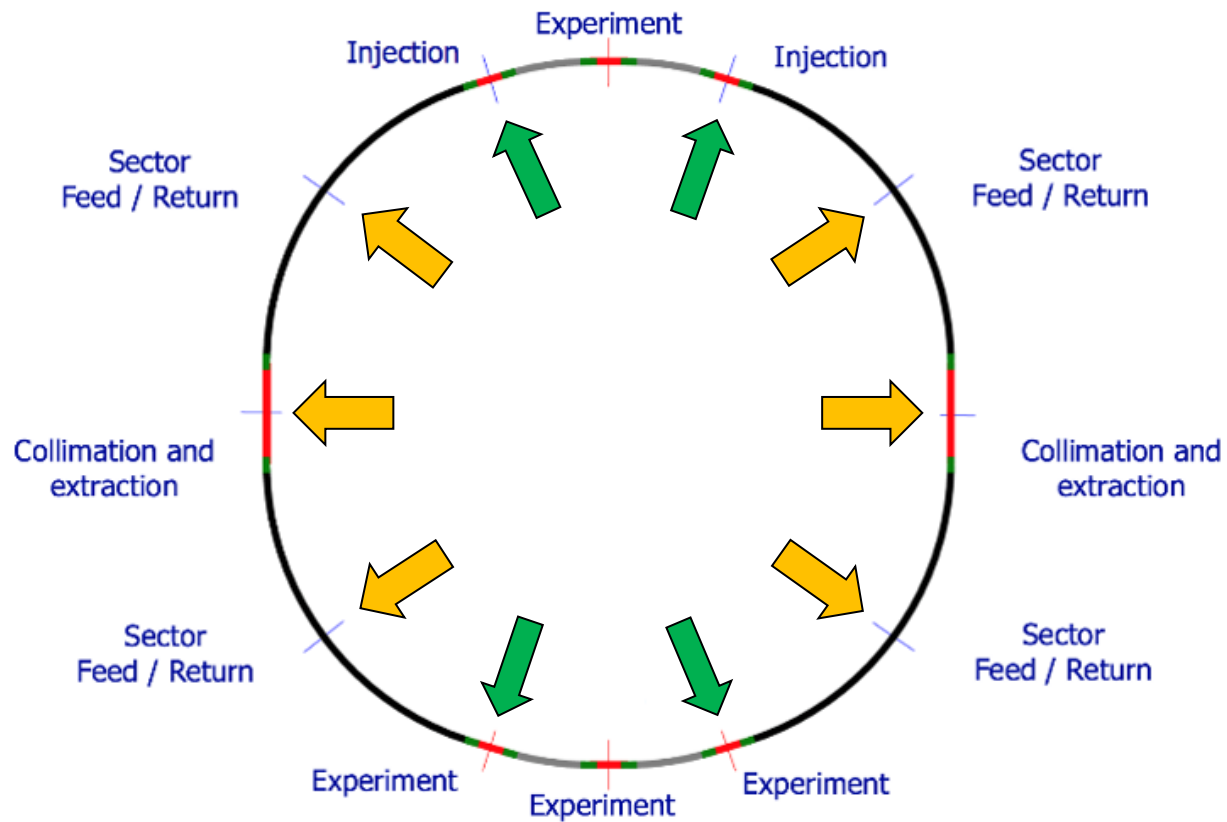
Circuit topology

Setting $t_{\text{ramp}}=1200$ V, constant ramp rate, gives:


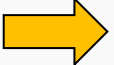
		Cosθ	Block	Common Coil	CCT
	L [H]	0.591	0.745	0.339	0.284
	I [A]	11390	10100	16100	18000
	E [MJ]	38	38	44	46
	$U_{\text{M,ramp}}$ [V]	5.6	6.3	4.5	4.3
Arc	Nr of circuits N	5	6	4	4
	$U_{\text{Circ,ramp}}$ [V]	246	229	249	233
	Max P_{PC} [MW]	2.8	2.3	4.0	4.2
Mini-arc	Nr of circuits N_{mini}	4	5	4	3
	U_{ramp} [V]	252	226	205	256
	Max P_{PC} [MW]	2.9	2.3	3.3	4.6



Distribution of peak power



$$t_{\text{ramp}} = 1200 \text{ s}$$

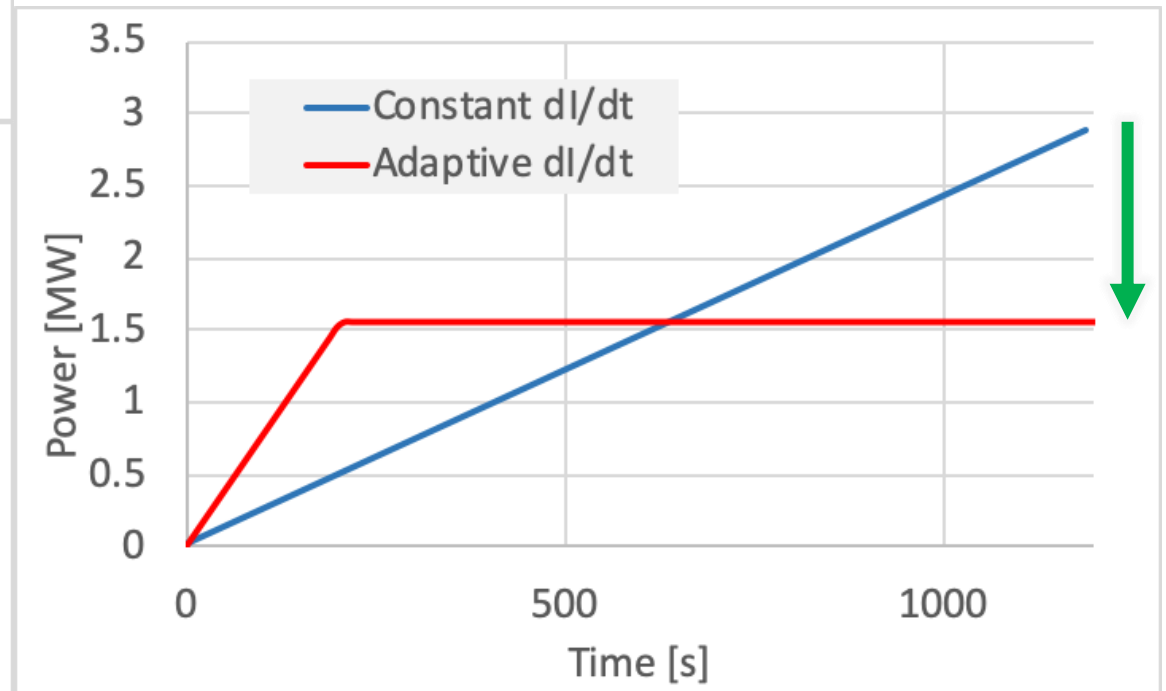
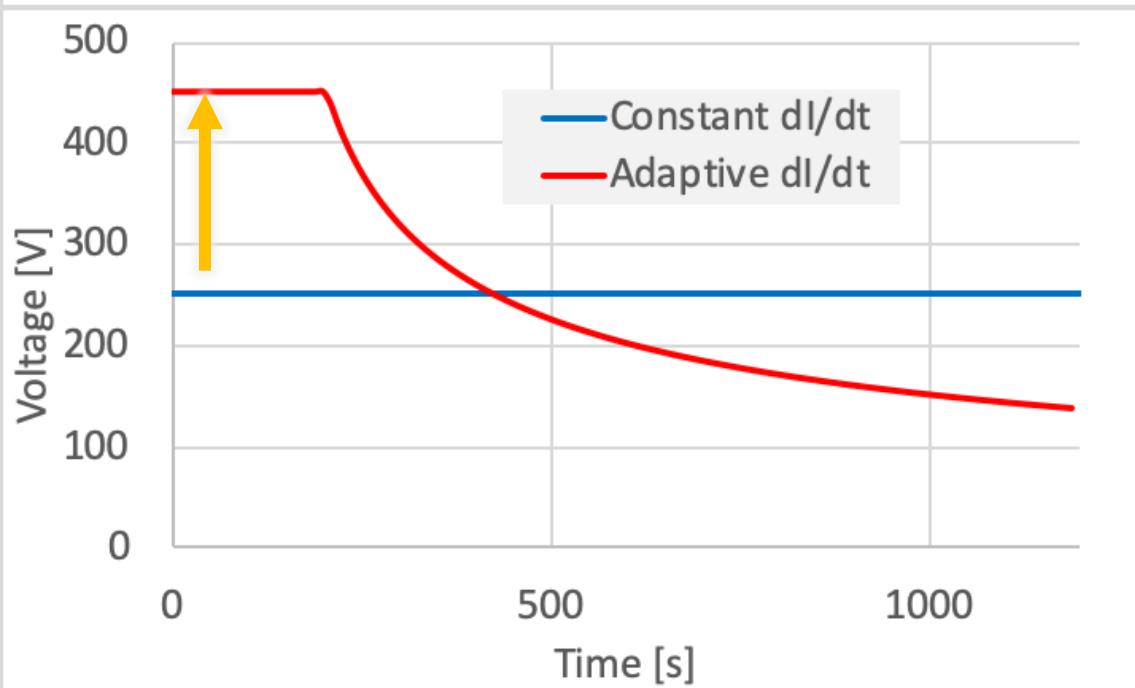
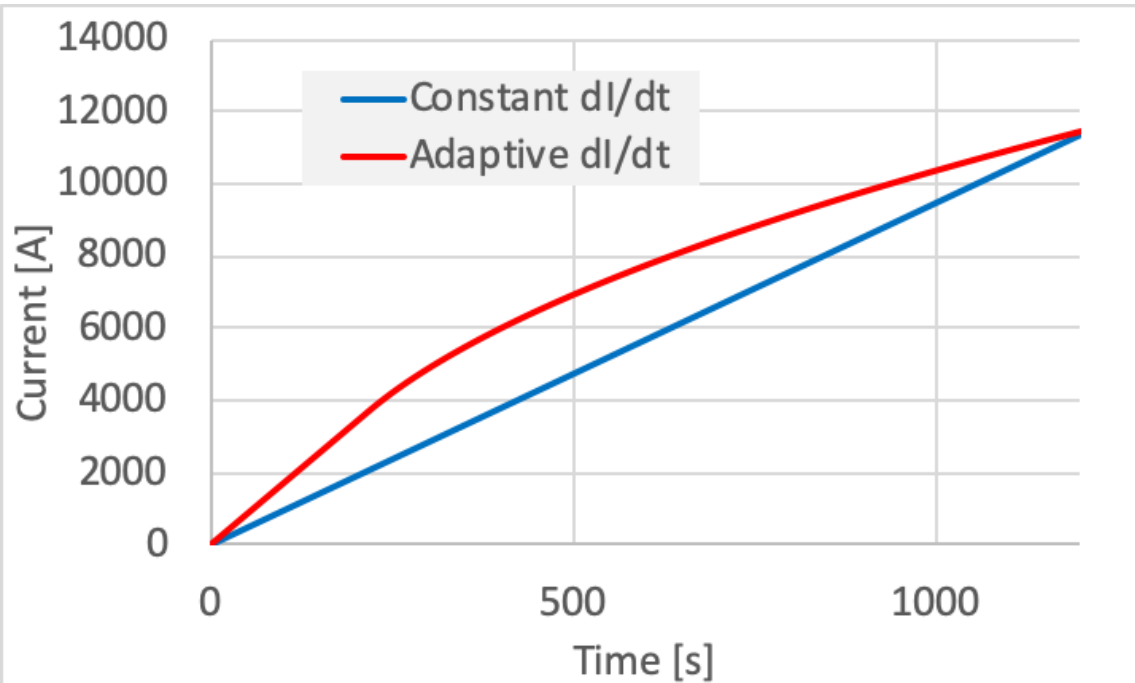
	Cosθ	Block	Common Coil	CCT
 [MW]	25.5	25.3	29.1	30.6
 [MW]	28.0	27.7	32.1	33.6

Values do not take into account losses and inefficiency

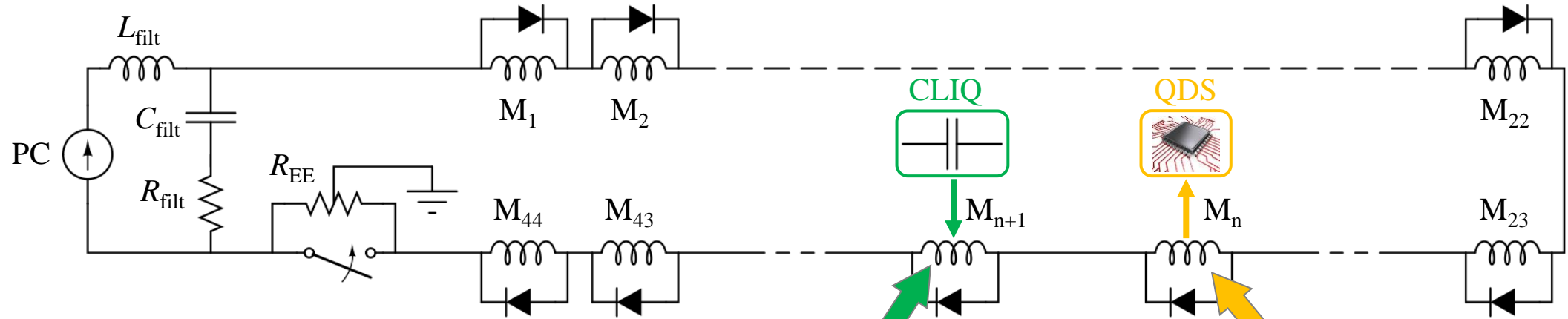


Peak power

Peak powers can be reduced significantly using an adaptive ramp rate, requiring however a higher voltage (to keep t_{ramp} constant).



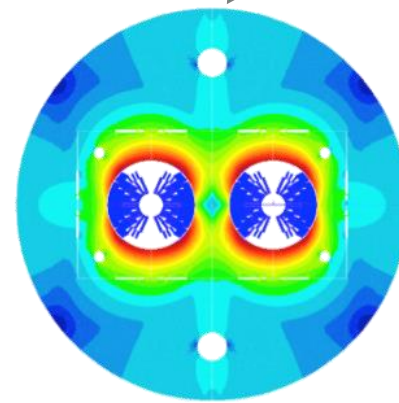
Response of the QDS if a neighbouring magnet quenches



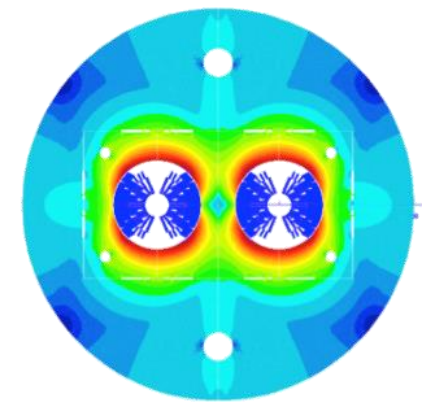
Actions if a magnet quenches:

- the power converter is switched off,
- the magnet is protected using CLIQ (or quench heaters),
- the EE is switched in.

These actions cause voltage waves in the circuit, which could trip the QDS.

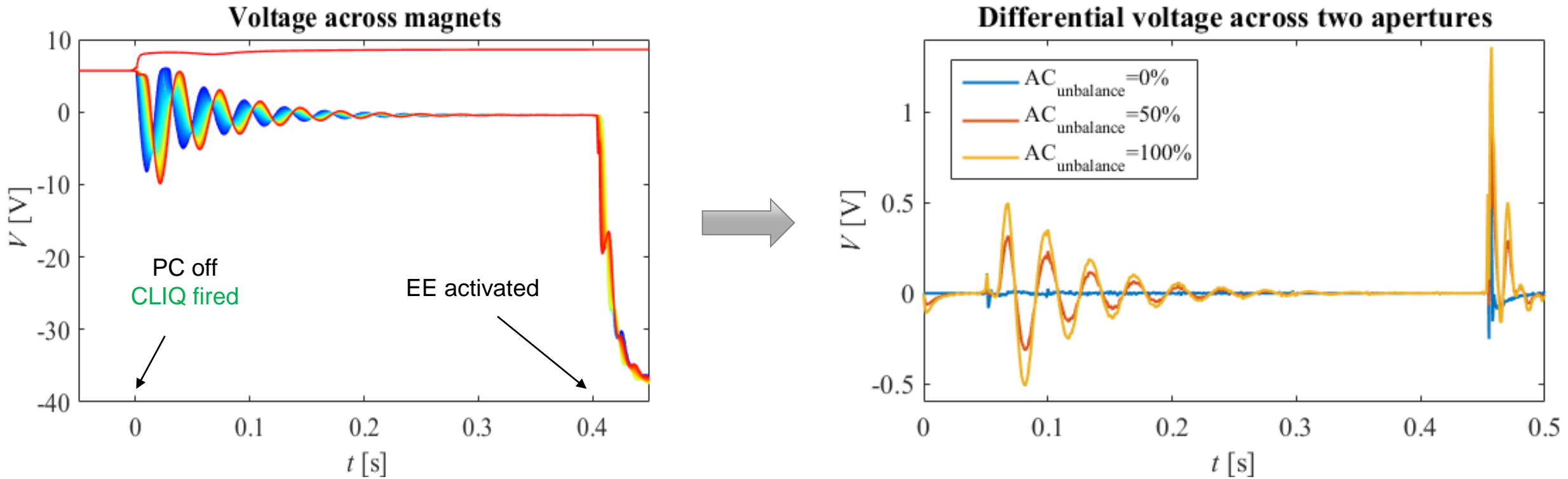


Quenching magnet:



Neighbouring magnet:

Response of the QDS if a neighbouring magnet quenches



Differential voltages increase for larger 'AC imbalance' between the 2 apertures,

→ assure that the voltage transient remains below the QD threshold, by:

- Circuit optimization (adding components to reduce the voltage waves)
- QDS optimization (adding filters, subdividing voltages)
- Conductor development (homogeneous AC behaviour)

