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Formulations, Software Toolchain and Parallel Methods for FiQuS

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 - Thin Shell Approximations
 - FiQuS-Multipole
 - FiQuS-Pancake3D
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 - Parallelization in time and space.
- **Conclusion and Outlook**

Please feel free to interrupt and ask questions right away!

Why Finite Elements (FE)?

- **Goal: quench behavior simulation of superconducting magnets (LTS and HTS)**
 - Complicated geometries carrying eddy and screening currents

- **Alternatives: partial element equivalent circuits (PEEC), finite differences, integral equations, equivalent circuit techniques, spectral methods**

- **This year: FE-based simulations**

General: FE handle geometrical details, non-linear

- **Expensive:** FE's high approximative capabilities makes

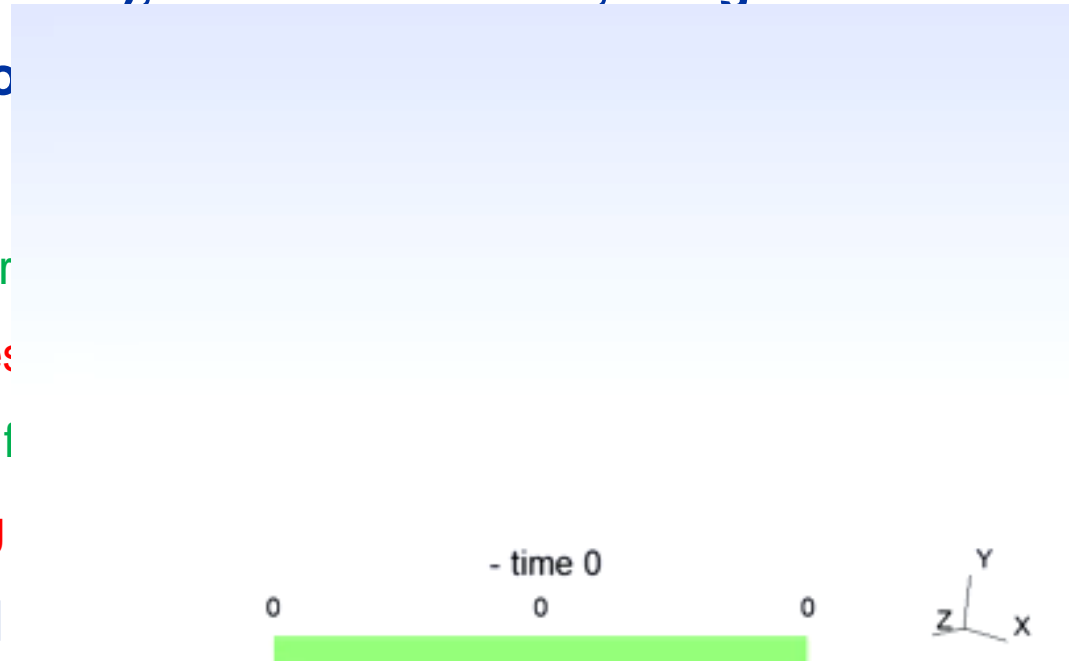
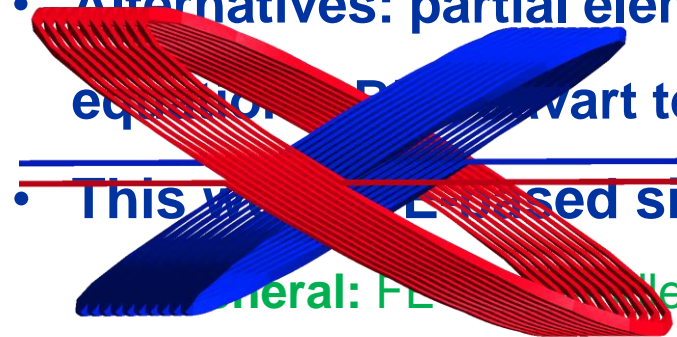
source and free finite element

require deep understanding

➤ Purpose-built FE quench simulation tool based

M. Wozniak et al., "Quench Co-Simulation of Canted Cos-Theta Magnets," IEEE TAS (2023)

Eddy currents in the inner former



Finite Element Quench Simulator

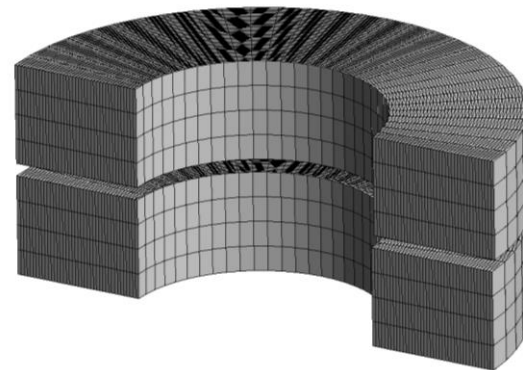
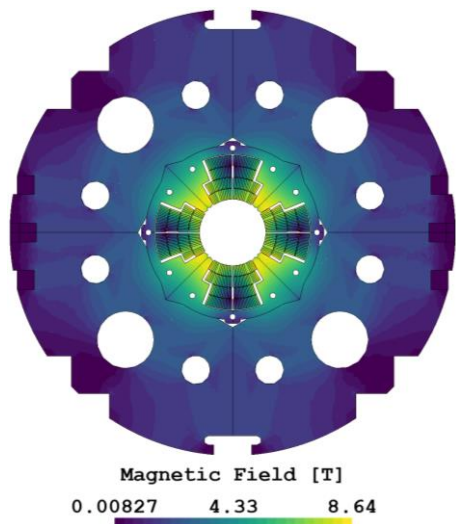
- FiQuS is an open-source and free to use Python tool.
- It's based on open-source FE framework Gmsh/GetDP.
 - Adding some functionality creates **CERNGetDP** as **FiQuS's dependency**.
- It's part of the **STEAM** framework.



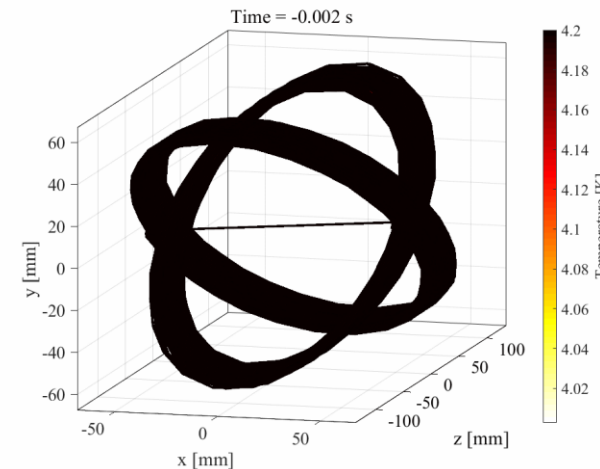
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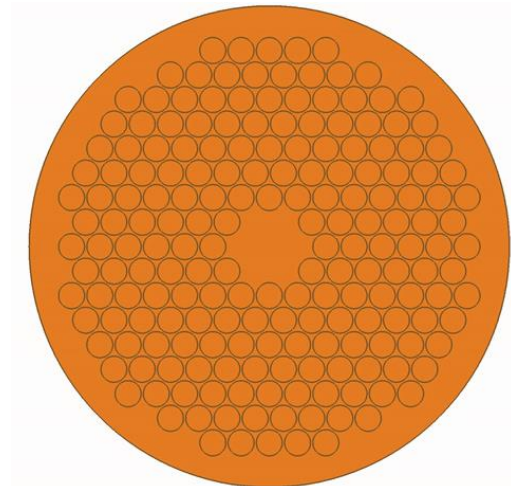
Multipole magnets (MQXA) No-Insulation HTS pancake coils



CCT magnet
co-simulation with LEDET

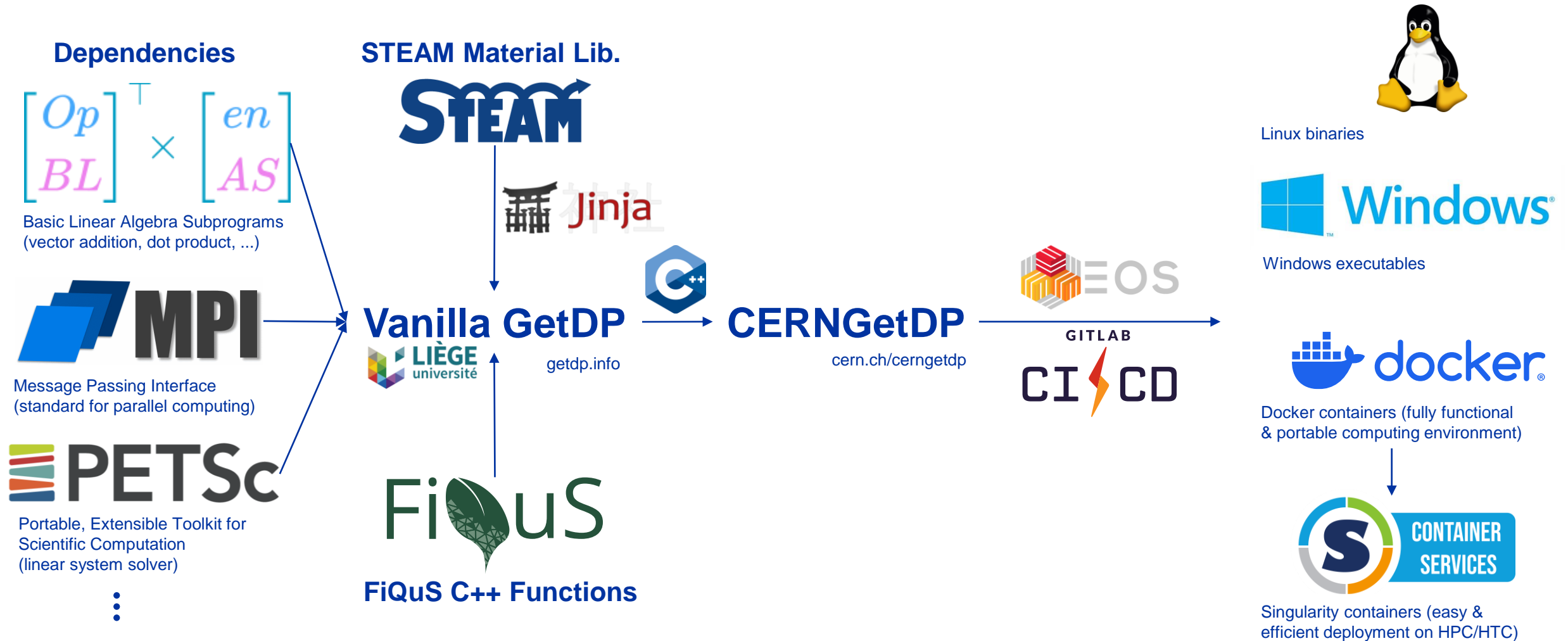


Conductors (wires, cables)



Courtesy of S. Atalay, J. Dular, F. Magnus, E. Ravaioli, A. Vitrano, M. Wozniak

CERNGetDP: Software Toolchain



- **Usage of sophisticated open-source (FE) tools requires non-trivial computing environment.**
 - All fully automated on CERN IT-provided runners and FiQuS-managed VMs via CERN Openstack.
 - This way, we can run FiQuS easily on any computing infrastructure we have to (including HPC/HTC).

FiQuS: Automated Testing, Documentation and Deployment

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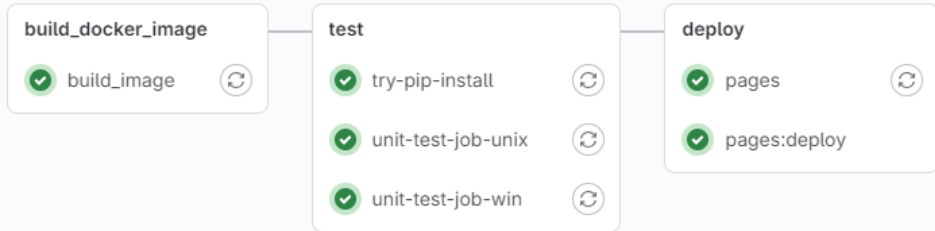
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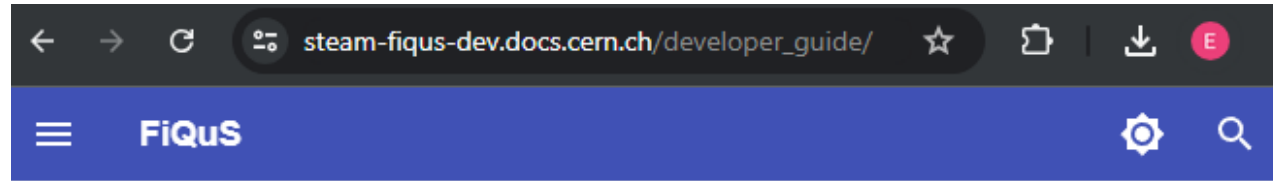
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Gitlab pipeline automatizes mundane jobs such as building software, testing it and deploying the software (e.g., on EOS, pypi, ...) and documentation (e.g., on webpages).



A guide for FiQuS developers

FiQuS is a Python package that includes scripts that glue Gmsh, GetDP, and Python's abilities to perform FE simulations of superconducting magnets/cables.

Pipeline automatically creates releases and documentation (from docstrings and Markdown) deployed on webpage.



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Tests

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Pipeline (py)tests ensure the consistency of the remote repository.



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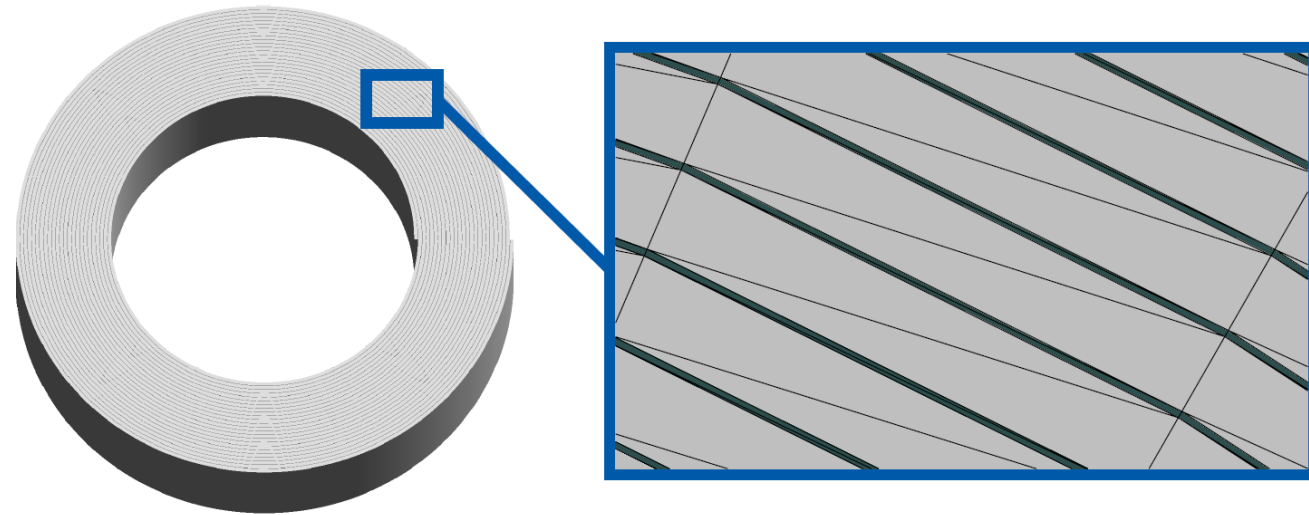
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2 from typing import Union, Literal, Optional
3
4 # ----- Jc fits -----#
5 class ConstantJc(BaseModel):
6     """
7     Level 3: Class for setting constant Jc
8     """
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10    type: Literal["Constant Jc"]
11    Jc_constant: Optional[float] = None # [A/m^2]
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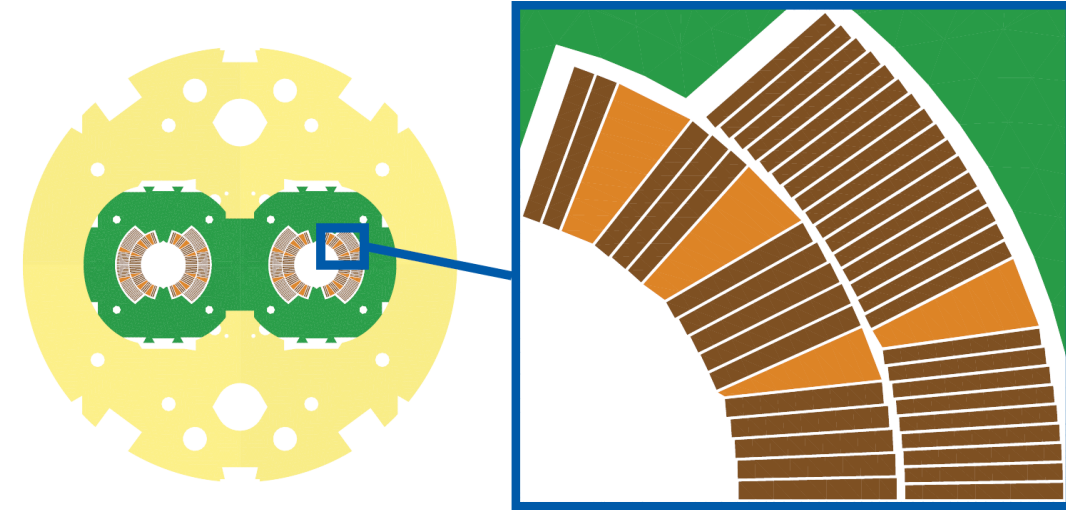

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Thin Shell Approximation: Motivation I



Contact layers in HTS pancake coils

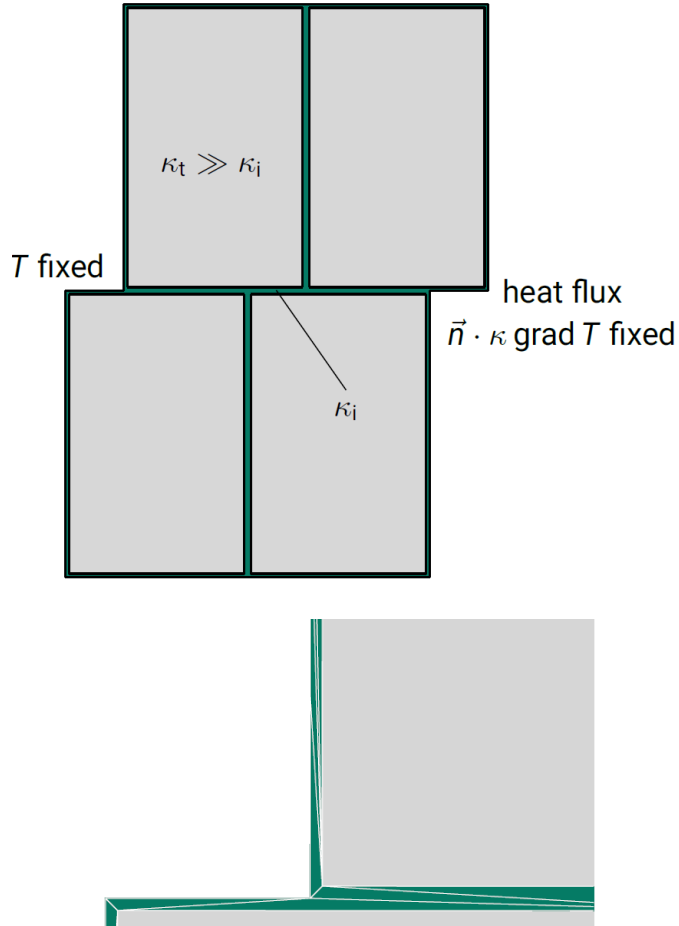


Insulation layers in LHC magnets

- **Thin layers appear frequently in superconducting magnets.**
 - Their accurate modelling is essential to capture the right transient behaviour.
- **Classical FE modelling leads to many unknowns or low mesh quality.**
 - Thin shell approximations (TSA) avoid these problems.

Thin Shell Approximation: Motivation II

- **Linear, stationary heat diffusion equation \rightarrow simple!**
 - Yet, completely wrong results with naively chosen mesh.



Structured mesh (1400 DoF)



Unstructured mesh (38 DoF)

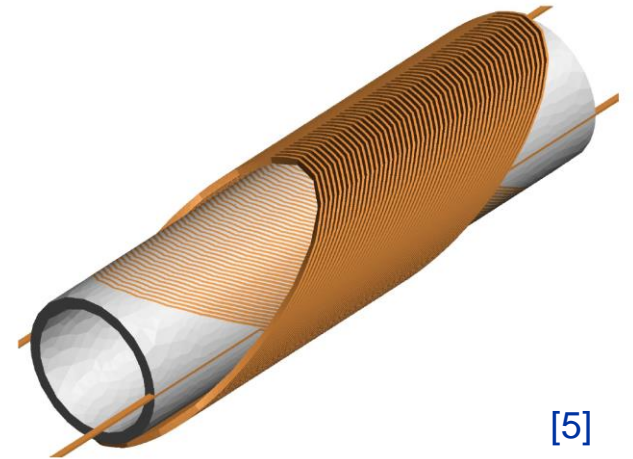
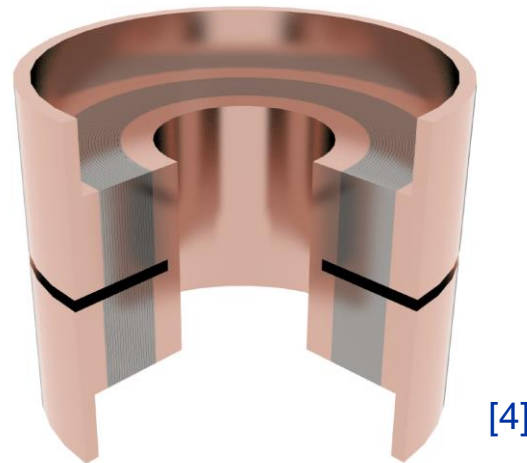
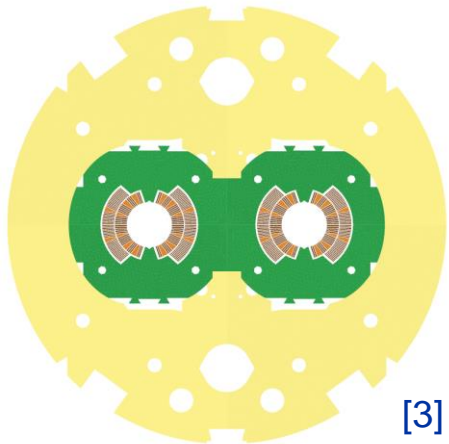


Thin shell (30 DoF)

E. Schnaubelt, M. Wozniak, and S. Schöps, "Thermal Thin Shell Approximation Towards Finite Element Quench Simulation", SUST (2023).

TSA Generalities

- **TSA replace volumes with surfaces and appropriate interface conditions.**
 - Many TSA exist in literature, however they are usually only valid for very specific problems. [1]
- **For FiQuS, we needed a general magneto-thermally coupled TSA [2].**
 - General: resistivities from insulating to superconducting, boundary conditions, quench heaters, ...
 - Its generality is best represented by the variety of different models that use the TSA:



[1] B. De Sousa Alves, "3-D Time-Domain Finite Element Modeling of Nonlinear Conductive and Ferromagnetic Thin Films," Ph.D. thesis, Polytechnique Montréal (2021)

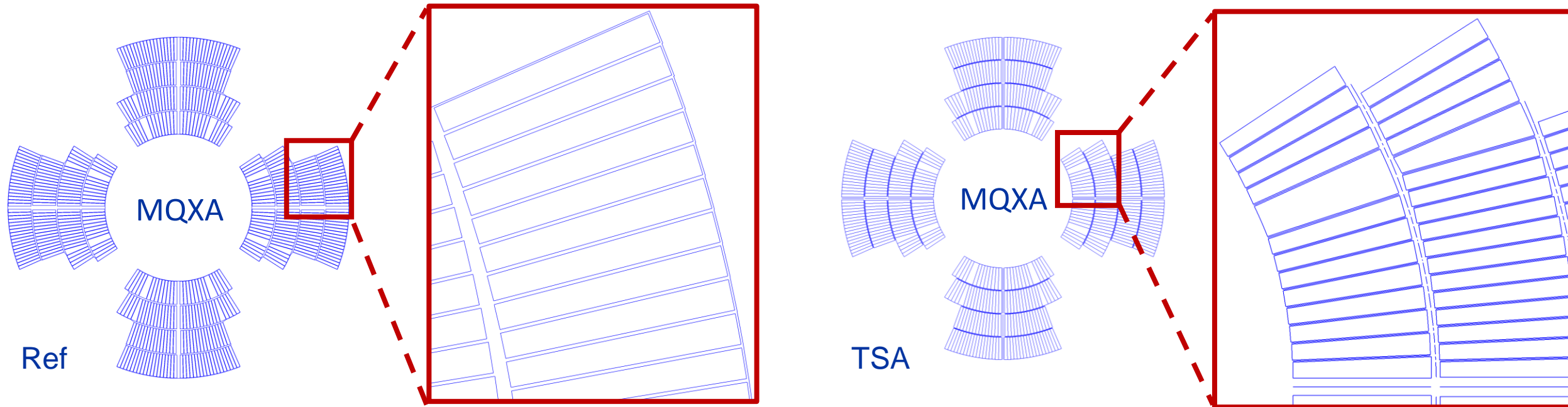
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[5]: M. Wozniak et al., "Quench Co-Simulation of Canted Cos-Theta Magnets," IEEE TAS (2023)

FiQuS-Multipole: Thermal Transient TSA

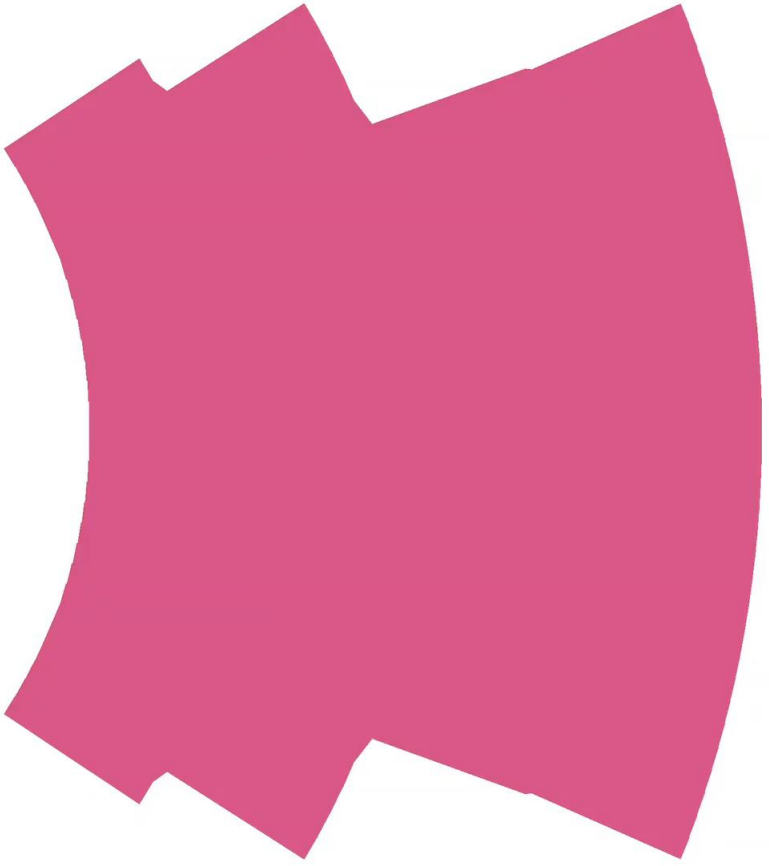


- **Insulation layers are modelled via TSA, represented by mesh lines above.**
 - Handles quench heaters (possible between any half-turns/wedges, also across layers).
 - Handles Helium convective cooling boundary condition via heat transfer coefficient from SMaLi.
- **FiQuS ideology: constructed automatically from .yaml and Roxie input files.**
 - No manual intervention needed (easily reproducible!) → **Dedicated talk by Andrea in July!**

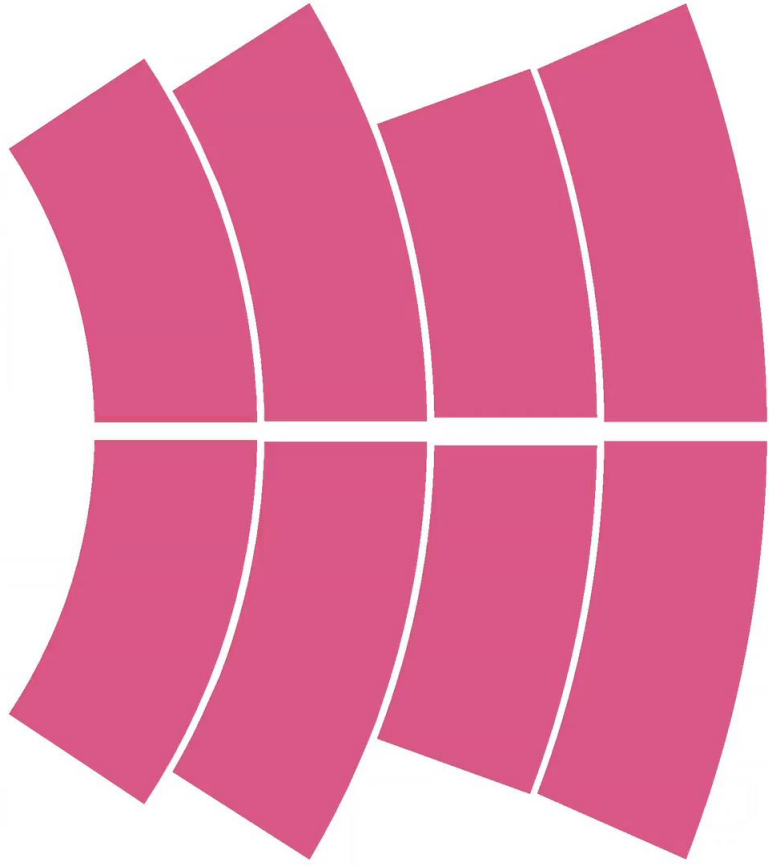
FiQuS-Multipole: TSA Verification

- Constant current, thermal transient, adiabatic conditions, quench imposed in one half turn.

Reference:
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DoFs



Reference Model T [K] - time 0
4.2 4.2 4.2



Thin Shell Model T [K] - time 0
4.2 4.2 4.2

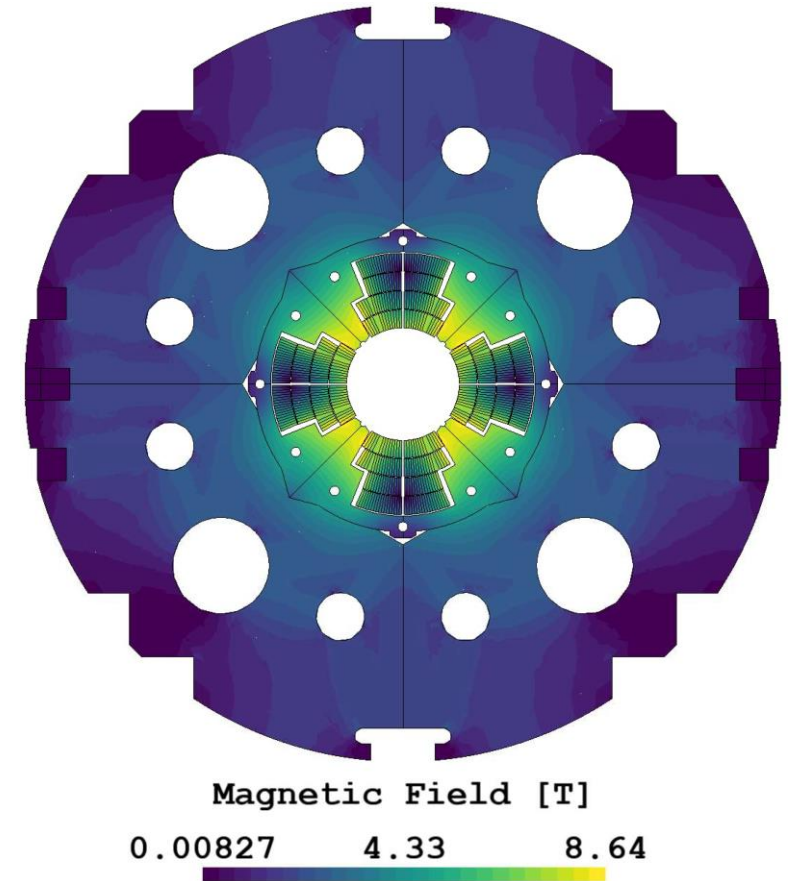
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A. Vitrano et al., "Finite Element Thermal Thin Shell Approximation for Simulation of Transients in Accelerator Magnets", CHATS 23.

FiQuS-Multipole: Some Remarks

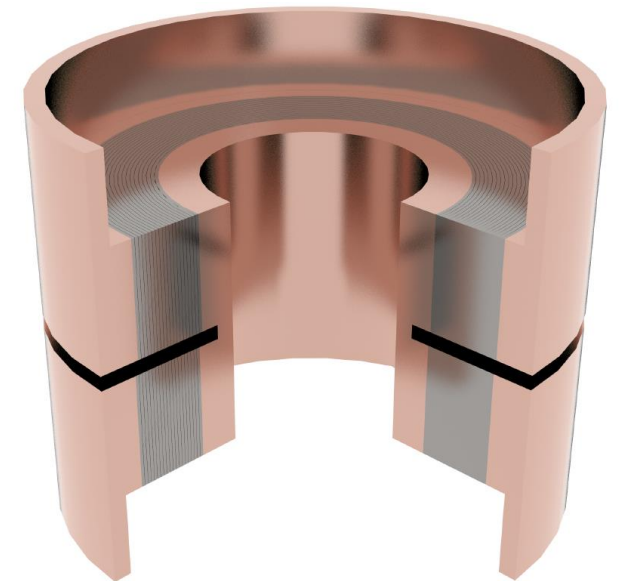
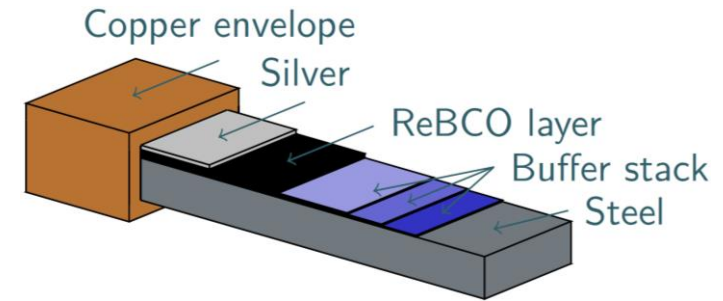
- **Thermal transients are already coupled to magnetostatic solution from FiQuS-Multipole.**
 - Ready for extension to magnetodynamic case including AC loss model via homogenization.
- **Proper verification study reference versus TSA ongoing and to be published.**
 - Verification for quench heater (QH) model for simple model (for real magnet, QH modelled with classical FE without TSA infeasible!)
- **Different magnet types (block-coils, asymmetric coils, HTS-LTS, common-coils, mono cable magnets, ...)**
 - See Andrea's talk in July!
- **Many thanks to Andrea & Mariusz for the collaboration!**



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FiQuS-Pancake3D: Introduction

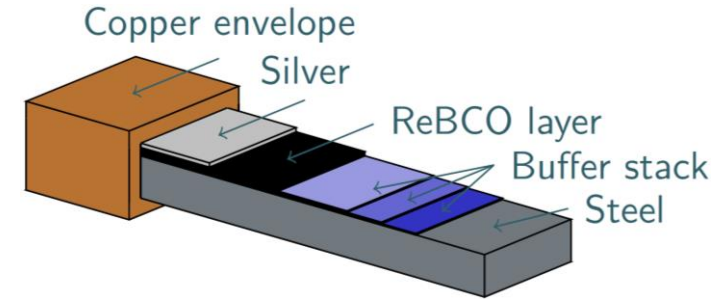
- **HTS Coated Conductors (CC) wound in spiral turns with or without turn-to-turn (T2T) insulation.**
- **Case without T2T insulation called no-insulation (NI) coils.**
 - Radial T2T currents can circumvent local defects → increased stability.
 - Vanishingly thin electric and thermal T2T contact layers (T2TCL) determine dynamic behavior.
- **Detailed 3D models resolving each turn on the mesh level are needed to analyze complex magneto-thermal transients.**
 - FiQuS-Pancake3D creates these fully automated and parameterized.
 - All detailed features: [remember Sina's section talk?](#)



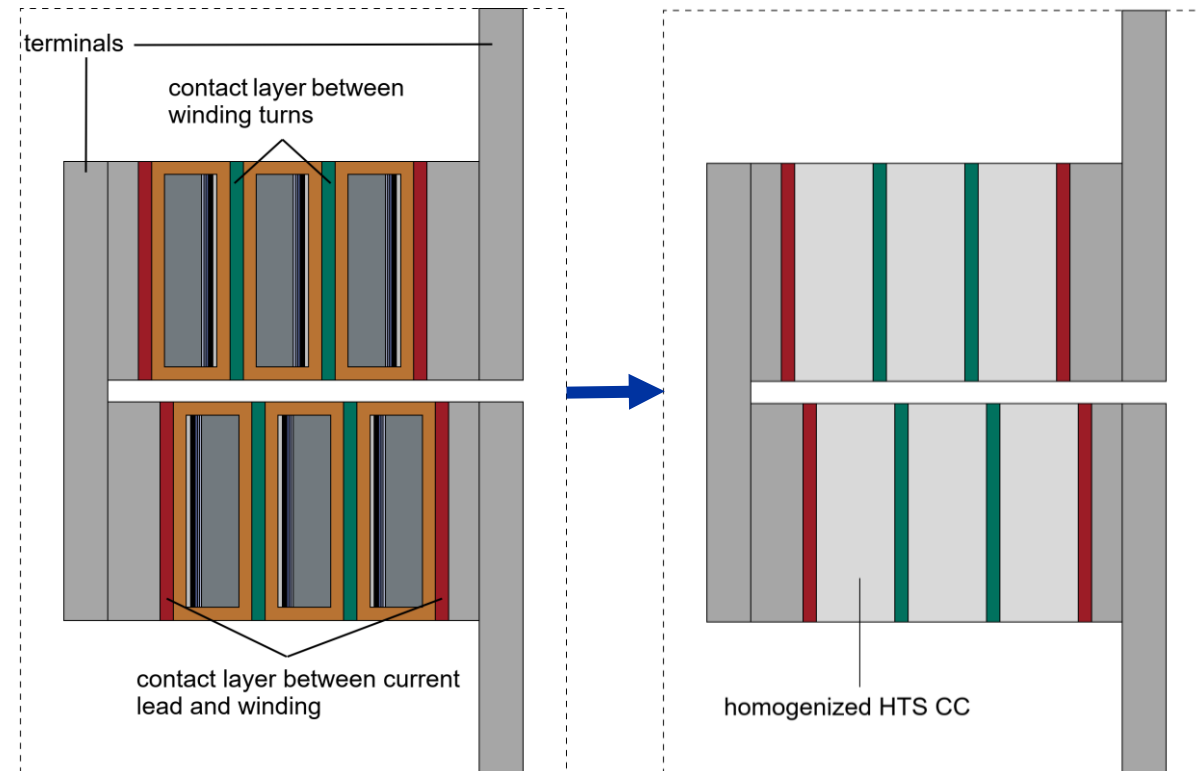
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FiQuS-Pancake3D: Homogenized HTS CC

- **Magneto-thermal coupled model.**
- **Each turn is resolved on the mesh level.**
- **The HTS CC is homogenized.**
 - Power law with angle dependency for HTS.
 - Anisotropic homogenization different in radial (layers in series) and axial/azimuthal direction (layers in parallel).
 - In particular, current sharing is resolved.
- **Screening currents naturally considered thanks to FE magnetodynamic model.**



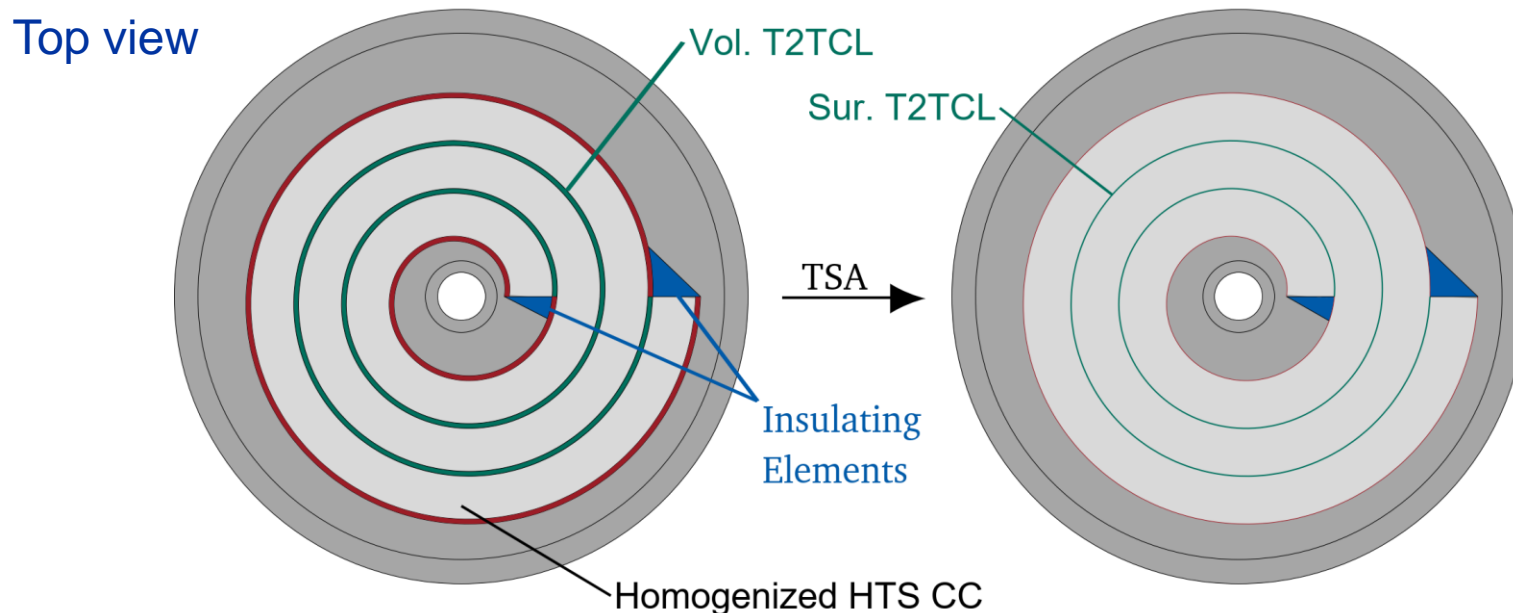
Side view



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FiQuS-Pancake3D: Magneto-Thermal TSA

- **Volumetric T2TCL is replaced by a surface modelling equivalent physical phenomena.**
 - It is implemented in an $\vec{H} - \phi$ formulation coupled to the heat diffusion equation.
 - The special case of insulated pancakes is covered as well.



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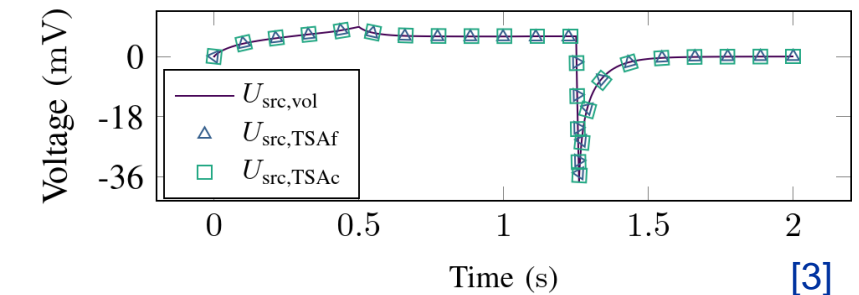
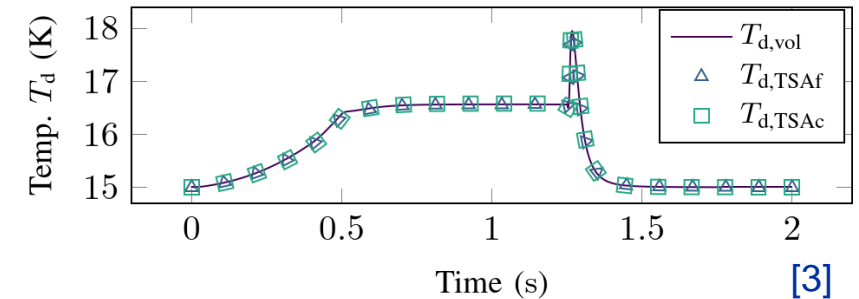
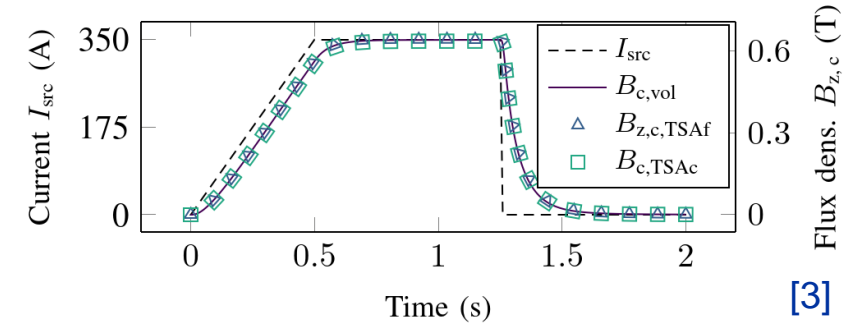
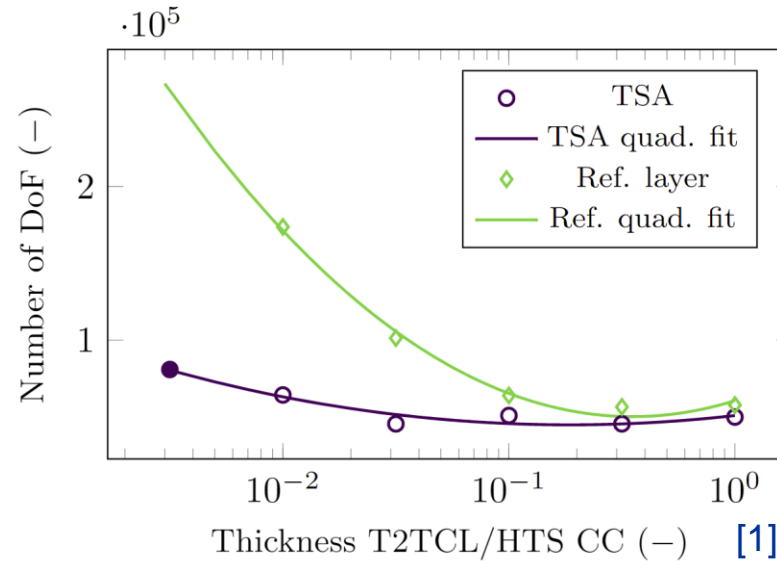
FiQuS-Pancake3D: Systematic Verification

- **Systematic verification against classical FE with volumetric T2TCL [1,2,3] shows excellent agreement.**

- Also for radial and azimuthal currents [2]

- **TSA outperforms the reference, especially the thinner the T2TCL the higher the gain.**

- Also simpler to mesh!



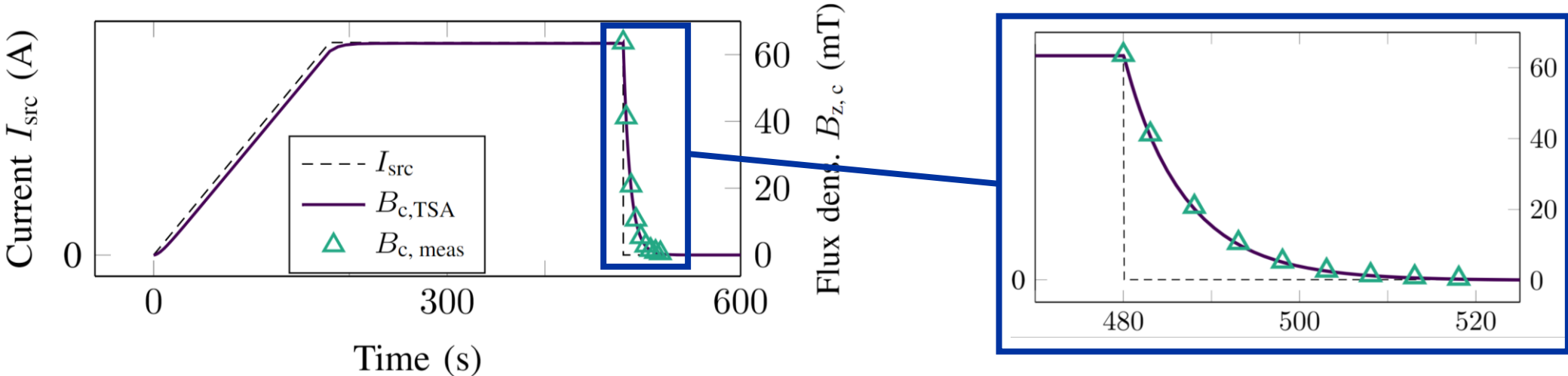
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FiQuS-Pancake3D: Partial Validation

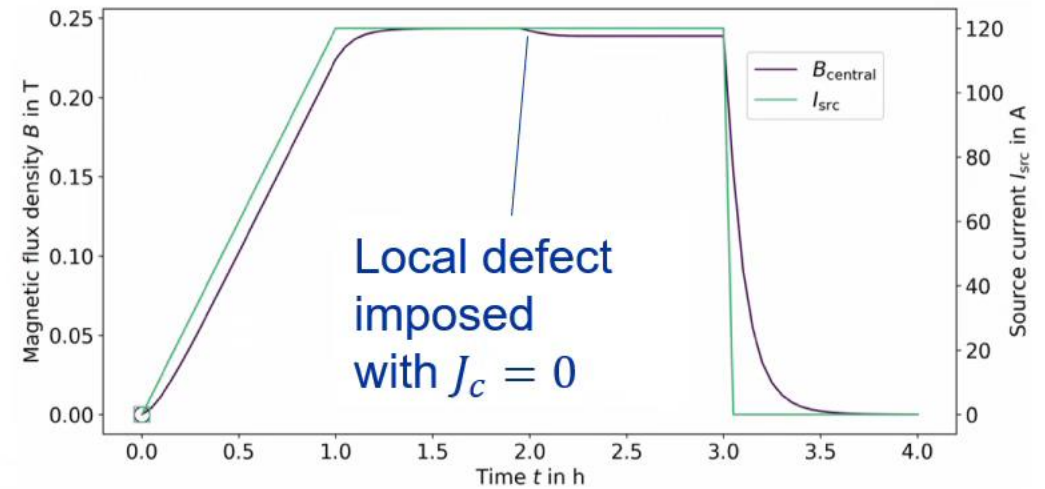
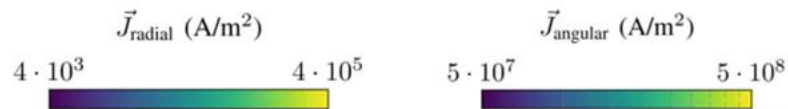
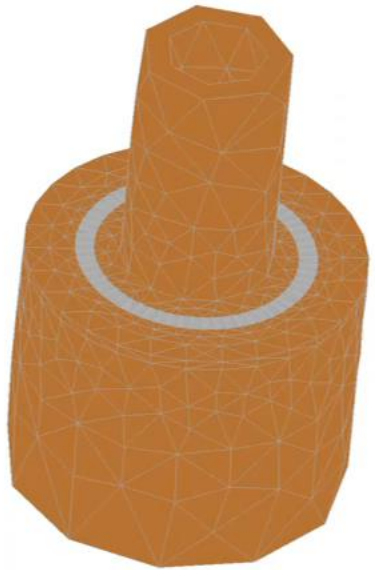
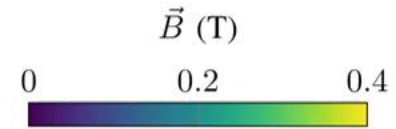
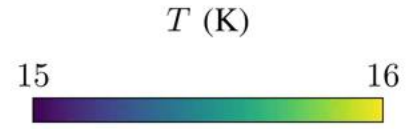
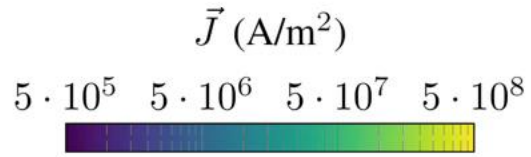
- Comparison against sudden discharge measurements from [1]
- 50 turns NI coil, 80 mm inner diameter
 - Measured characteristic time 7.14 s \rightarrow contact resistance $11.2 \mu\Omega\text{cm}^2$



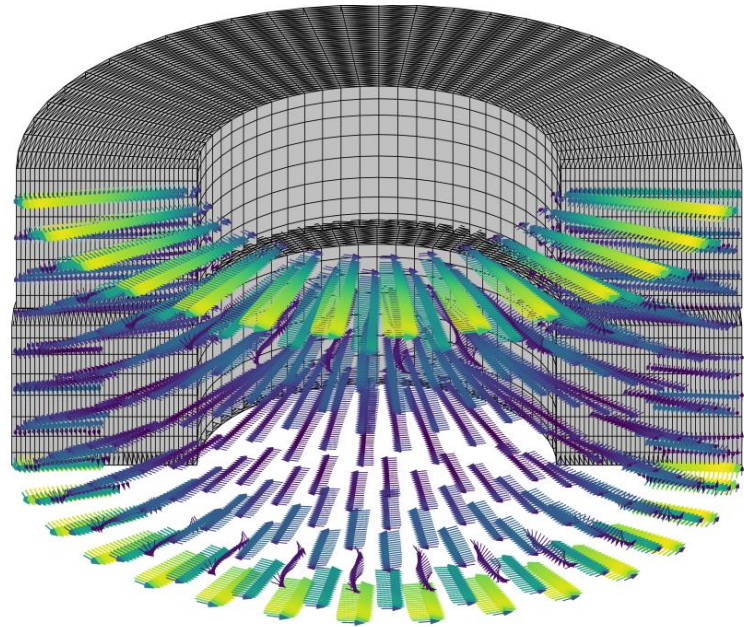
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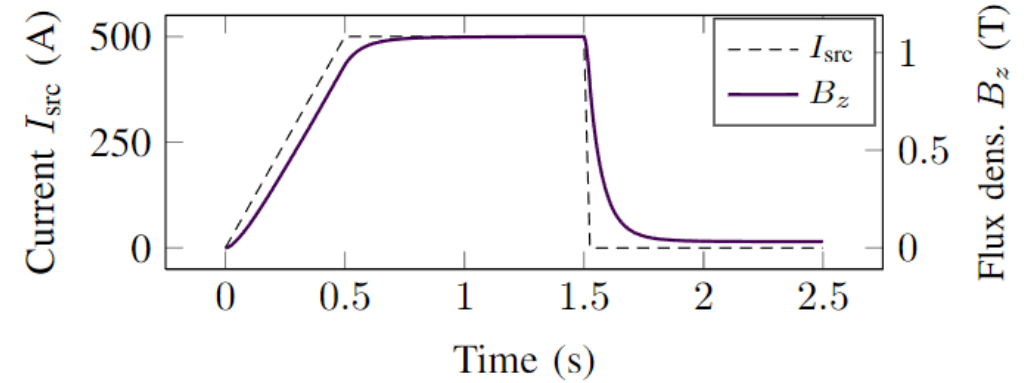
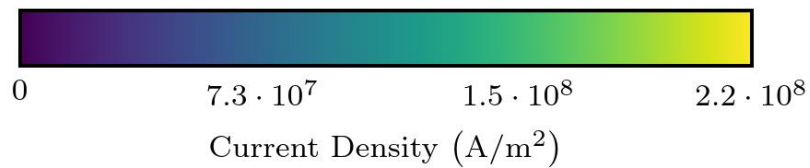
Cooling applied to copper terminal ports.



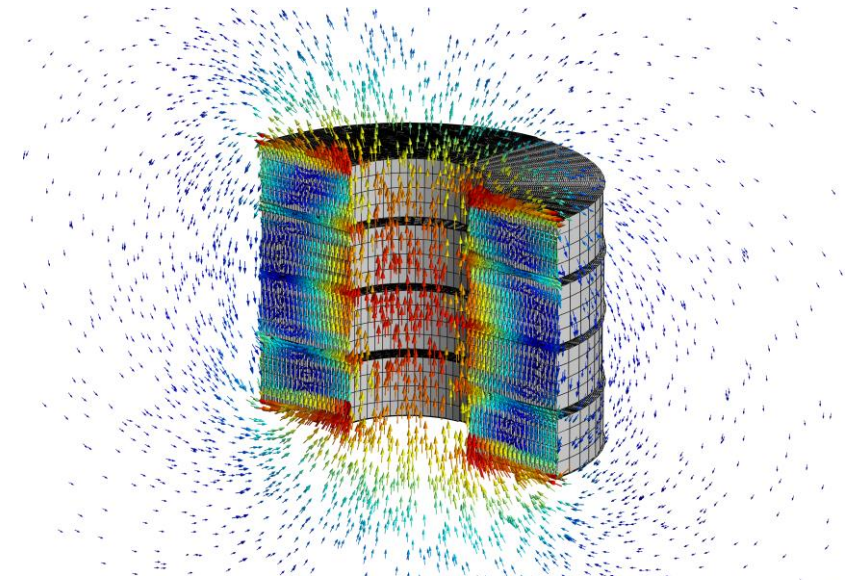
FiQuS-Pancake3D: Stacks and Magnetization



Non-zero magnetic field after power supply turned off [2]



\vec{B} -field of 4-pancake stack [1]

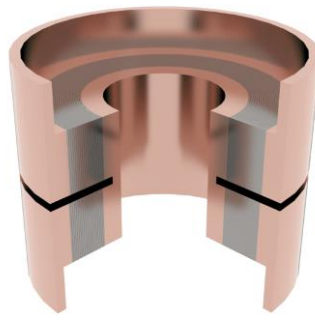


Screening currents in a 2-pancake stack [1]

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FiQuS-Pancake3D: Some Remarks



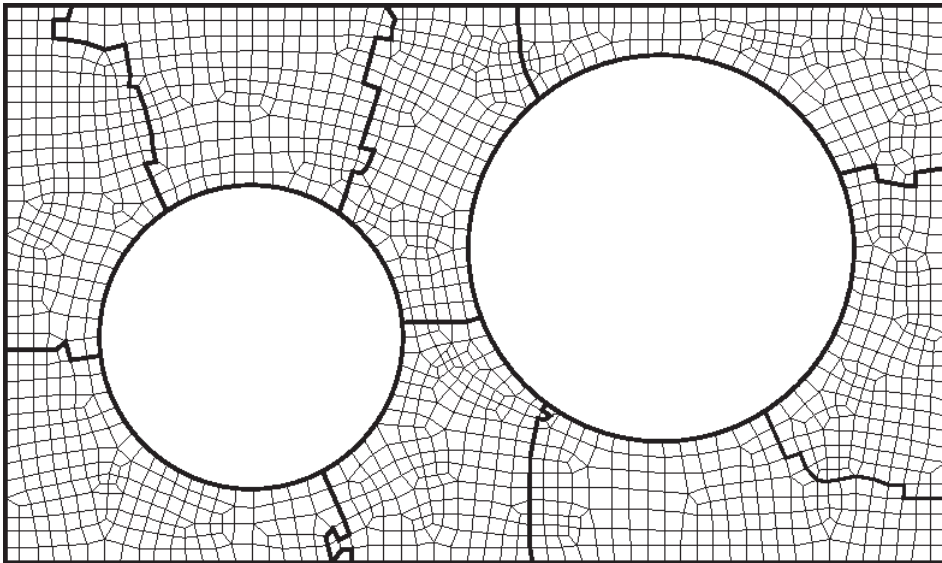
- **Geometries should be extended to more general geometries (racetrack, cloverleaf, ...) from generic CAD or OPERA conductor files.**
- **Methods to reduce computational complexity are needed.**
 - General 3D: parallelization methods on HPC clusters (see next slides).
 - Model specific: reduced order methods (e.g., 2D) or homogenized models
- **Systematic validation against measurements including temperature**
 - This needs properly and comprehensively reported measurements (no fudge factors!).
- **Many thanks to Sina, Julien and Mariusz for the collaboration!**

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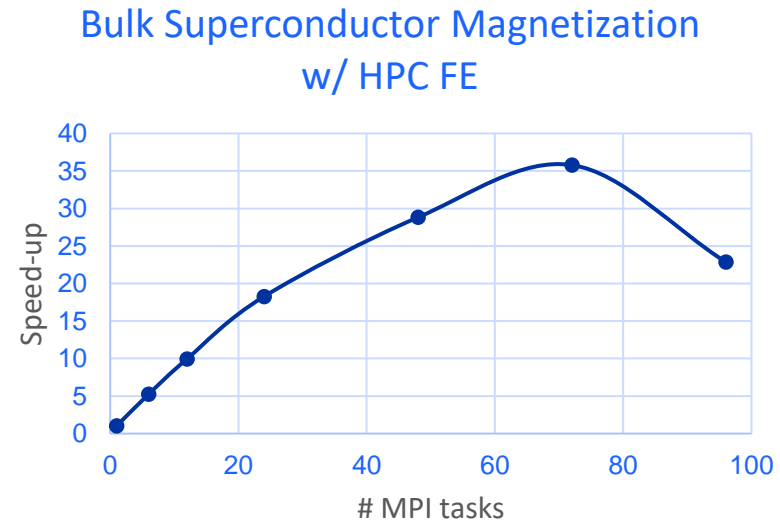
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Parallelization: Some General Remarks

- **3D FE leads to big systems** → ~ millions of DoF for magnetodynamic problems.
 - Time integration of highly nonlinear problem needed → practical computational times?
- **Modern FE makes heavy use of parallelization in space and (less intuitive) time.**
- **Split computational domain and solve problem on subdomains concurrently.**
 - The clue of the method is to glue the sub-domain solutions back together for global consistency.



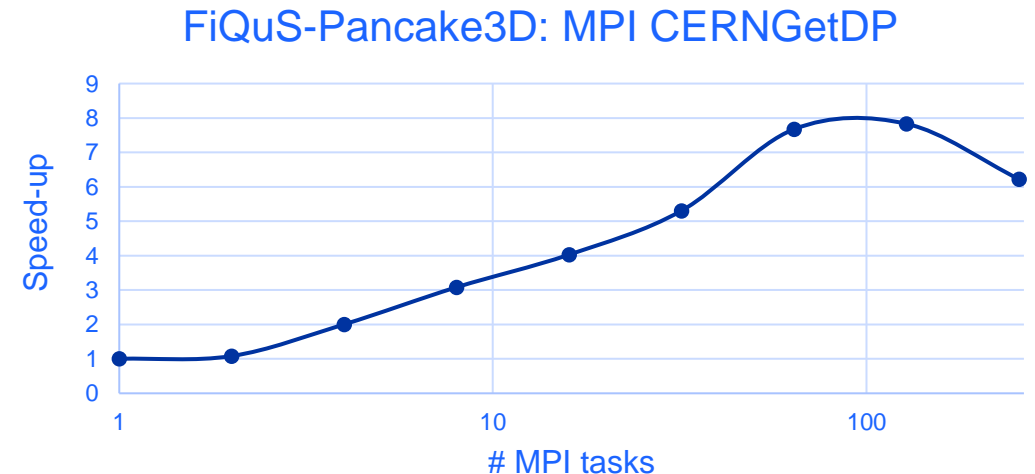
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FiQuS-Pancake3D: Some Parallelization Results

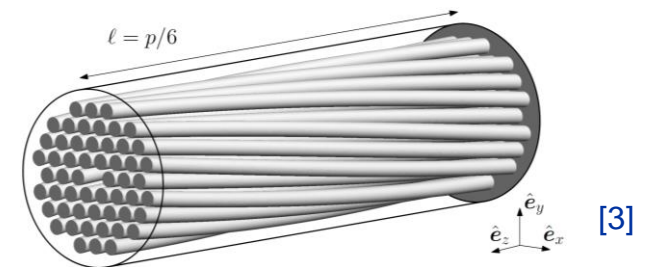
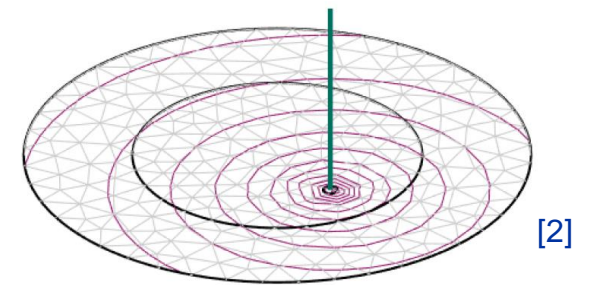
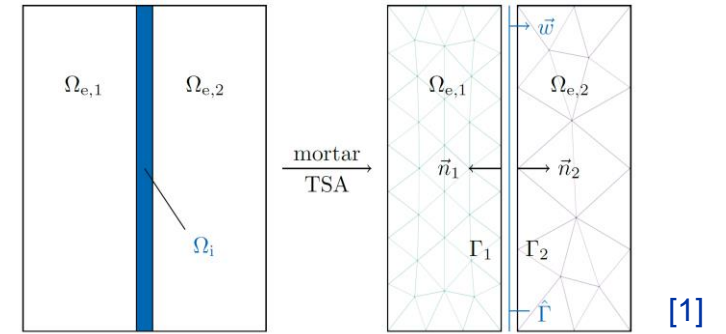
- **Parallel-in-time integration splits time domain in subdomains and integrate concurrently**
 - Specific update formula and iterative scheme ensures global consistency.
 - For magneto-thermal current ramp of NI coil: moderate speed-up of 2.75 for 16 subdomains [1]
 - More specific research needed for highly non-linear quench problem, simplified problem discussed in [2]
- **GetDP compiled with MPI has some first parallelization capability itself.**
 - Speed-up of around 8 with 64 MPI tasks
 - More work needed for ~ ideal linear scaling, this is not yet proper domain decomposition!



[1]: E. Schnaubelt et al., “Parallel-in-Time Integration of Transient Phenomena in No-Insulation Superconducting Coils Using Parareal,” SCEE’24 proceedings, submitted
[2]: T. Baumann et al., “Adaptive time step selection for Spectral Deferred Corrections,” Springer Numerical Algorithms (2024), submitted

FiQuS: Further Work

- **Mortar TSA removes the need for conforming meshes.**
 - Full meshing freedom → improved efficiency of multipole model
 - Master's thesis by R. Hahn with paper submitted for publication [1]
- **Reduced vector potential removes the need to discretize conductor in mesh [2].**
 - Joint work led by colleagues from TU Darmstadt, L. A. M. D'Angelo as lead author
- **Parallelization efforts benefit all FiQuS models (and even other tools?)**
 - E.g., used to speed up computation of 3D reference for CATI model [3]



[1] R. Hahn et al., "Mortar Thin Shell Approximation for Analysis of Superconducting Accelerator Magnets," submitted to SCEE'24 Proceedings.

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Outline of the Talk

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- Brief Introduction to FiQuS
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 - FiQuS-Pancake3D
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 - Parallelization in time and space.
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Conclusion and Outlook

- **The software toolchains behind FiQuS and CERNGetDP have been introduced.**
- **All discussed tools/models are open-source following CERN's open science policy.**
- **Two FiQuS models, Multipole and Pancake3D, have been introduced in detail.**
 - **Thin shell approximations** are enabling technologies for both.
 - Particular focus is on **ease-of-use**, **efficiency**, and **reproducibility**.
- **The potential of parallelization and some first results have been shown.**
 - We are just getting started using CERN's powerful HPC and HTC infrastructure.
- **Outlook: systematic validation against measurements, further HPC improvements, ...**
 - Show and use predictive capabilities for design of experiments.

Thank you for your attention! Special thanks to all collaborators!



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Sigma Non-Automatic Modelling

- According to Sigma documentation [1] Figure 3.29, mesh lines of infinite resistivity have to be inserted manually.

[1]: SIGMA documentation v1.2, EDMS 2141579

