

The European Dipole Project

A Portone, Fusion For Energy

OUTLINE

- **1. Design (Specs, design options, key features)**
- **2. Manufacturing (DC Coils Winding, Reaction Heat Treatment, Impregnation)**
- **3. Acceptance Tests (Electrical and Hydraulic tests, insulation repair work)**
- **4. Conclusions**

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MAGNET DESIGN

SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications

- Magnet test facility for sc samples with current up to $I~100$ kA
- Background DC field $B_{DC}=12.5$ T in clear bore
- Rectangular (circular) clear bore of 15 x 10 cm²(\varnothing =13 cm)
- AC field with B_{AC} ~ \pm 0.3 T, f~1-5 Hz, B_{DC} ~2-3 T (B_{AC} $\pm B_{DC}$)

To assess the design options, common reference were set for:

• Strand scaling (Summer)

 $\rightarrow B_{c20m}$ =28 T, T_{c0m} =18 K, J_c(12T, 4.2K, -0.25%) = 2000 A/mm²

- Thermal strain $\varepsilon_{\text{th}} = -0.6\%$ for CICC, otherwise $\varepsilon_{\text{th}} = -0.3\%$
- Index $n = 7$ for CICC
- Delay for current dump $t_0 = 0.25$ s, dump voltage < 2 kV
- Turn Insulation 0.4 mm wrap, ground insulation 2 mm thick

Inner 144 mm

Where ϕ is the strand diameter, h the cable height, wi the small side thickness, wo the large side thickness and N the number of strand in the cable.

Conclusions (CEA)

- 1. Safety margin on load line < 10 %
- 2. Protection OK, but quench heaters needed on each layer
- 3. Losses acceptables for 0.01 T/s
- 4. Mechanics : Stresses on coils are too high
- 5. \rightarrow Alternative mechanical structure \rightarrow time consuming development
- 6. \rightarrow or decrease of B²R by 35 % ??
	- 1. \varnothing 130 mm \rightarrow B ~ 10 T
	- 2. B = 12.5 T $\rightarrow \emptyset$ coil ~ 94 mm $\rightarrow \emptyset$ ~ 80 mm

Final assessment: Cos(θ) design

→ Excellent compactness, field quality and magnetic design features

However, this design did not seem mature for its engineering phase since the results presented show the need of a substantial improvement from the mechanical design standpoint (Von Mises stresses in the collar structure exceed 1.2 GPa, peak stresses in strands ~ 230 MPa i.e. ~ 50% above maximum allowable)

Racetrack design (P Bruzzone et al. CRPP)

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Electromagnetic, 2D results for planar race track coils 12.5 T at test well

Racetrack design (P Bruzzone et al. CRPP)ANSYS 8.1

 $16:14:20$ PLOT NO. NODAL SOLUTION $STEP = 1$ $SUP = 1$ $TIME = 1$

STNT PowerGraphics $EFACRT = 1$ AVRES=Mat $DMX = .540E - 03$ $SMN = .343E + 07$ SMX

 (AVG)

 $=.117E + 09$.343E+07 $.161E + 08$ $.287E + 08$ $.414E + 08$ $.540E + 08$ $.667E + 08$.793E+08 920E+08 $.105E + 09$ $.117E + 09$

Peak stress, ≈ 120 MPa, is located close to the 0 field. At $B \ge 6$ *T*, the load is *comfortably < 100 MPa*

An inter-grade insulation layer, 2 mm thick reduces high stress in "misalignment" zone between high and middle field layers. The layer/turn transition is moved at the heads, protected by the staggering spacers

Racetrack design (P Bruzzone et al. CRPP)

Final assessment: Rutherford cable, racetrack winding

 \rightarrow High peak field in the winding (~14 T?) still to be optimized in head regions (>14 T?)

→ Rutherford cable stability remains a major issue for such design

 \rightarrow The advantages brought by the simplified winding of a planar, racetrack coil not sufficient to balance the uncertainties in cable performances

Final assessment: Cable In Conduit, racetrack winding

 \rightarrow Massive and expensive (cabling lengths > 2 km, stored energy \sim 33 MJ) due to unfavourable use of space that is made by leaving a gap between the two main coils → Use of a central pressure release channel complicates cabling and jacketing while improves the heat removal capability and it decreases the peak quench pressure Unbalance between advantages (and disadvantages) of this solution as opposed to the use of a thicker jacket, no pressure release channel and shorter cabling lengths;

- **Dipole configuration: Emag ~ L (dipole), Emag ~ L² (split-solenoid)**
- **DC field by LTS winding: Cu cable @ RT→P_J>50 kW/m → size/cooling!!**
- **AC field by Cu winding: RI² ~ 0.5 kW (~PAC@n**t**~100ms,f~5Hz)**
- **Fe-Yoke: lower A-turns & main structural element to react horizontal forces**
- **Outer cylinder: pre-loading and mould for final impregnation**

DC WINDING

- Saddle-shaped coils (winding studies \rightarrow MT-19)
- Double layer-winding \rightarrow Good conductor/cable grading (length <150m)
- Inter-turn voltage <50 $\vee \rightarrow$ No kapton barrier, wind, react & impregnate
- CICC w/o central channel \rightarrow Good stability, well-known tech in fusion community
- Jacket: circular steel pipe butt-welded & compacted \rightarrow Cheap, simple orb. welding

AC WINDING

• Saddle coil rotated by 90 deg, Cu strand $~15$ mm² (~95 turns, 350 A each)

YOKE

Low carbon steel $(\rightarrow$ LHC) laminated sheets in 2 halves kept at ground potential \rightarrow Low reluctance flux return path reduces A-turns, stiff mechanical structure

OUTER CYLINDER

- 316 LN steel sheet with longitudinal weld → Easy assembly, Yoke locking at cool-down due to different COEs \rightarrow Good mechanical/thermal contact with yoke, cooling by supercritical He flow
	- \rightarrow Ground potential anchor, last impregnation mould (\rightarrow TFMC)

Electro-magnetic analysis

DIST

 $0=144$ (HF1) ${2x(2+1)+1x(1+2)}x3x4=60+48=108$ (LF1) ${1x(2+1)+2x(1+2)}x3x4=48+60=108$ (LF2)

Final assessment: Cable in Conduit, saddle winding, cold bore

 \rightarrow This design solution provides a balanced trade off of cost and performance, affordable manufacturing risks and need of limited R&D

 \rightarrow It has been selected for the engineering design phase and dipole call for tender

MAGNET R&D AND MANUFACTURING

HF1 conductor tests

LF2 conductor tests

AC COILS & TEST WELL

DC COILS MANUFACTURING

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WINDING LINE

DUMMY DC COIL WINDING: SPRING BACK & CLAMPING

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After RHT (Dec. 08) & clamped removed…. (1) Sever damages to the turn insulation (2) Large misalignments in the joint region

ASSEMBLY SEQUENCE

DUMMY ASSEMBLY FINAL IMPREGNATION

EDIPO DC COILS WINDING: USE OF BENDING INSERTS

EDIPO pole#1 dc coil

- Many tests carried out to find the best solution to over-bend the conductor
- Bending tools are qualified by a pre-test before staring winding a new layer
- 10 out of 14 layers completed, coil width deviations <10 mm

DC COILS WINDING: GEOMETRICAL SURVEY

Connection Side Non Connection Side $7 - 7$ $66-6$ $8 - 8$ $9 - 9$ 10^{10-10} $2 - 2$ 2 $11 - 11$ $1 - 1$ 6 **Pole 1: ~ 2 lower error than dummy coil** H4 H5 H6 H7 H8 W4 W5 W6 W7 W8 0 8 -1 6 -2 4 -3 2 **mm** E -4
E 0 -5 -2 -6 -4 Pole 1 Pole 2 Pole 1 Pole 2 -7 -6 -8 -8

Winding pack width deviation from reference

Winding pack height deviation from reference

INTER-LAYER JOINTS

Manufacturing cycle

- •Bend conductor ends
- •Cut Jacket by oscillating grinder (limit stop)
- •Etch Chromium coating
- •Trim sub cables and adjust
- •Place of U-bent copper stripes
- •Place U-shaped joint box and weld to jacket
- •Flip copper stripes over
- •Place joint box lid
- •Compress <20% void fraction and weld

INTER-LAYER JOINTS

DE-SIZING AND RHT

DC COILS REACTION HEAT TREATMENT

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DC COILS RHT: POLE 1 640 C PLATEAU

EDIPO DC COILS RHT: POLE 2 640 C PLATEAU

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DC COILS IMPREGNATION

DC COILS IMPREGNATION POLE 1

DC COILS IMPREGNATION POLE 2

DC COILS PRIOR TO POLE 1 FAULT DETECTION

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DC COILS-YOKE ASSEMBLY

25/01/2010 09/02/2011 01/03/2011

DC COILS-YOKE TRANSPORT

DC COILS-YOKE AND OUTER \mathcal{B} **CYLINDER TRIAL ASSEMBLY**

DC COILS-YOKE AND OUTER \mathbb{R}^2 **CYLINDER TRIAL ASSEMBLY**

04/03/2011

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ACCEPTANCE TESTS AND REPAIR WORK

DC COILS PRIOR TO POLE 1 FAULT DETECTION

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DC COILS ELECTRICAL TEST AFTER COILS IMPREGNATION

Pole 1 (28/04/2010) Pole 2 (07/07/2010)

DC COIL POLE 1 FAULT SEARCH (Aug.-Oct. 2010)

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EDIPO Interface Meeting F4E/PSI-CRPP/BNG January 26, 2011

• DC coil 1 fault search

DC COIL POLE 1 FAULT REPAIR (Oct.-Nov. 2010)

• DC coil 1 repair impregnation in 4 steps

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• Step 1: impregnation of slot using evacuated resin

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DC COIL POLE 1 FAULT REPAIR (Oct.-Nov. 2010)

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- DC coil 1 repair impregnation in 4 steps
- Step 2: impregnation of grooves between joint tails using evacuated resin

DC COILS POST-REPAIR ELECTRICAL TESTS

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DC COILS ELECTRICAL TEST AFTER POLE 1 REPAIR

Pole 1 (17/12/2010) Pole 2 (07/07/2010)

DC COILS ELECTRICAL TEST . AFTER YOKE ASSEMBLY ERGY

Pole 1 Pole 2

FINAL ACCEPTANCE TESTS

- 1. The last manufacturing step was completed on April 8th 2011 with the final assembly impregnation and curing
- 2. Over the next month the assembly has undergone successfully the final acceptance tests
	- Paschen high voltage tests (AC/DC coils)
	- \checkmark Resistance/inductance/impulse electrical tests (AC/DC coils)
	- \checkmark Leak tests (AC/DC coils + cylinder cooling circuit)
	- \checkmark Flow tests (AC/DC coils + cylinder cooling circuit)
	- \checkmark Sensors check (8 Strain Gauges, 12 T-sensors)
	- \checkmark Final geometrical survey by laser scan
- 3. Dispatched to CRPP@PSI on 13/5/11
- 4. Flow tests and sensors checks repeated (ok)
- 5. Installation on going
- 6. Commissioning expected in 2012

HISTORY AND OUTLOOK

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3rd Revised schedule

August 10 → Turn insulation failure

Rew delivery date: June 2013 (?)

- Aug.10-Dec.10 \rightarrow Fault localization and repair
- Jan. 11-Apr. 11 \rightarrow Final cold mass assembly and impregnation
- May 11 \rightarrow Final acceptance tests
- 13 May 2011 \rightarrow Dispatching to CRPP/PSI
- April 2012 → Complete installation in SULTAN hall
- 2012-2013(?) \rightarrow Final facility commissioning

CONCLUSIONS

- $EDIPO$ project aims to build a 12.5 T dipole with CIC $Nb₃Sn$ conductors wound in a pair of saddle shaped coils to test sc samples with currents up to I~ 100 kA in a clear bore of \sim 10 x 15 cm²
- Although the overall budget (EC contribution) is within its 2006 allocation, the original project schedule has been disrupted by 3 major problems:
	- (1) delayed qualification of both $Nb₃Sn$ CIC
	- (2) delayed qualification of winding process
	- (3) turn insulation repair
- All problems have been fixed and now the EDIPO magnet is completed
- Final commissioning is delayed by conflict to access SULTAN hall and manpower whose priority are set to test ITER samples in the existing SULTAN facility

LESSONS LEARNED

1. CONDUCTORS

- Square shaped conductors maximize compactness (J_{FNG}) but have lead to poor (unexpected) NbSn cable performances; high aspect ratios show higher Tcs performances and robustness to cyclic loads. Longer twist pitches and lower void fraction improve performances and resistance to cyclic degradation;
- Pull-through and compaction jacketing time and cost effective. Beware of additional jacket cold-work

1. WINDING

- Pull-and-wind method for (steel jacketed, thick wall) CICC doesn't work with multiple radii of curvature, tight bents and many layers. Cold work during compaction leads to remarkably high yield strength. To grant geometrical compliance too large clamping pressure needs to be applied (insulation damages, impregnation hydraulic impedance, ...).
- Its apparent attractiveness (and some manufacturing experience by main contractor) has been deceiving leading to a rushed submission of a cheap technical offer that has lead to under-estimation of the difficulties and associated technical risks by the proposed winding process \rightarrow long and painful resolution!)

LESSONS LEARNED

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- 1. Insufficient critical challenging of contractor's choice by EC/EFDA has lead to a defacto endorsement of pull-and-wind method. Eventually EFDA has imposed its view (pre-bend-and wind method) with substantial delays that have lead to costs overrun by the contractor (!)
- 2. Insufficient critical supervision of specific duties assigned to contractor such as electrical tests. More modelling of electrical system and verification of electrical tests findings were needed (lack of manpower for technical monitoring?)
- 3. Customers of high tech projects need to follow-up with proper manpower the tasks to be carried out by industry \rightarrow simulate/test and check!)
- 4. All problems encountered have been of essential technical nature and their resolution was based on technical improvements of present processes. Delicate balance need to be stricken from both customer as well as contractor side to assign proper managerial responsibilities to technical people

BACK-UP SLIDES

BUDGET

• **Budget** Present (2010): EC contribution=4.52 M€ Original (2006): EC contribution=4.56 M€

EC Contribution = 4.5 MEuro

Design and re-design

 \blacksquare Strand

■ Conductor

- Magnet construction
- Conductor qualification
- Dipole facility

EDIPO sensors

OUTER CYLINDER(S)

- Helical cooling tubes welded
- Final machining completed
- Spiralling tube welded on bottom flange

HTS CURRENT LEADS (CRPP)

HTS CLs successfully tested up to I~18 kA

ENERGY

Heat leak (conduction): 5.5 W at THTS ^w = 83 K Nominal op. conditions: $I = 17 kA$ **dm/dt = 1.9 g/s THTS ^w = 83 K** $\mathsf{T}_{\mathsf{He}}^{\mathsf{out}} \approx 263\;\mathsf{K}$ $U_{\text{Hex}} \approx 97 \text{ mV}$ **Contact resistances:** $R_{wm} \approx 10 \text{ n}\Omega$ (83 K) $R_{cm} \approx 3.3$ n Ω (17 kA)

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HTS CL T_{CS} EXPERIMENTS

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Current (kA)

STEADY STATE MASS FLOW

STEADY STATE TEMPERATURE PROFILE

Good agreement of measured and calculated temperature profile

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By means of a heater the He inlet temperature is increased until the HTS module quenches.

Voltage versus temperature curves for a 17 kA run.

For current leads, T_{cs} can not be defined in the usual way ($E = 1 \mu V/cm$) because of **the existing temperature gradient.**

Therefore, use of a voltage criterion to define *Tcs***.**

LOSS OF FLOW TEST EXPERIMENT (*I* **= 17 KA)**

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Mass flow rate (g/s)

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Time [s]

LOSS OF FLOW TEST EXPERIMENT (*I* **= 17 KA)**

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Saddle coils design (EFDA, CIEMAT, ELYTT)

HF1 conductor tests

LF2 conductor tests

INTER-LAYER JOINTS

ENERGY

•The first qualification sample achieved R~5 nΩ (expected ~1 nΩ)

•Reason was found in too weak joint box design + insufficient supporting during compression > Ubox opened and void fraction increased

•In second sample the supporting was improved and the joint box design was changed from welded sheets to a machined block.

Manufacture of qualification sample 1st attempt

INTER-LAYER JOINTS

