

# High Temperature Superconductor Power Applications



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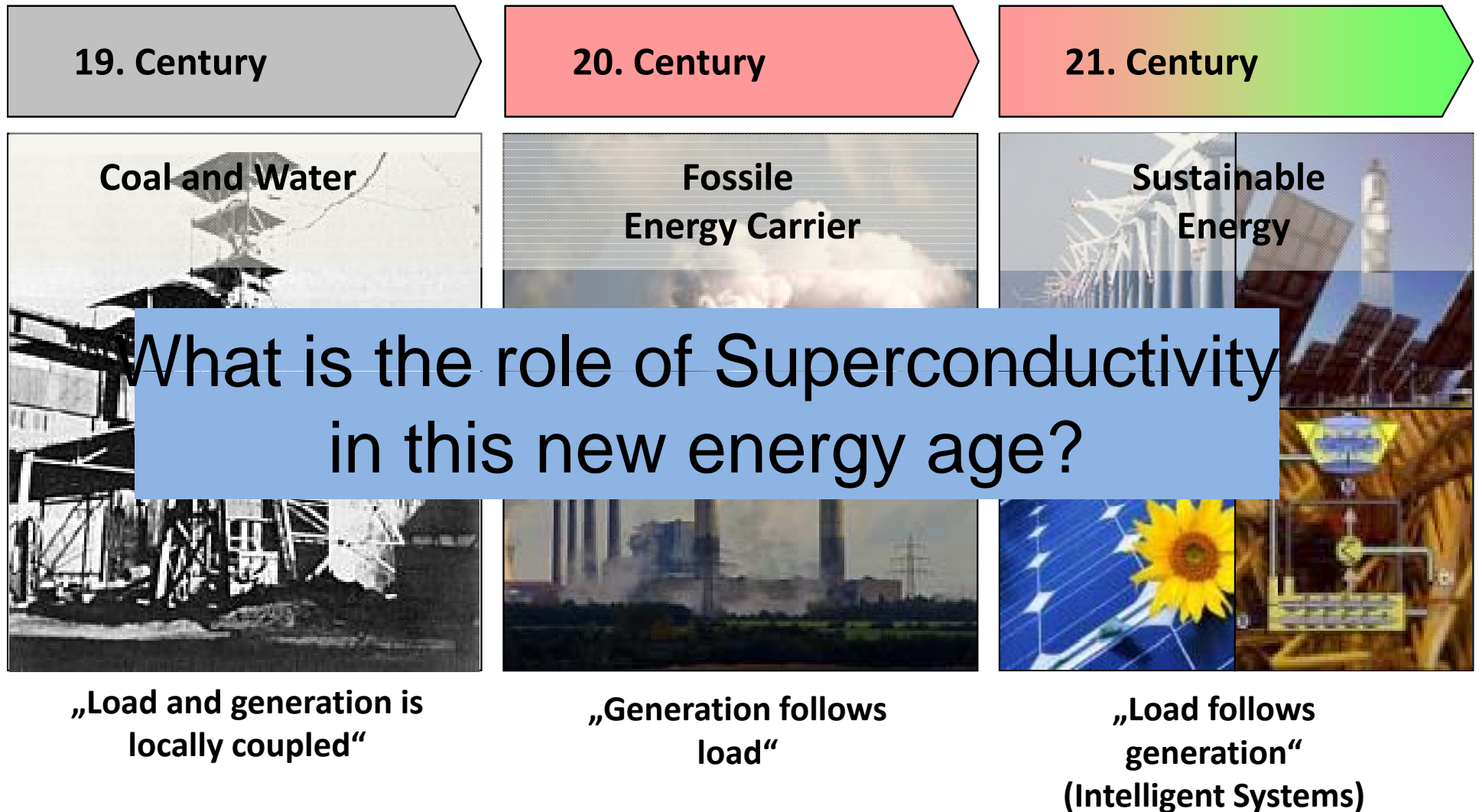
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## Design Aspects

## State-of-the-Art

# Motivation



**The 21st century is a step into a new energy age**

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## The Role of Superconductivity for Power Applications

### Superconductivity

- Highest current densities  
at zero DC resistance and at high magnetic fields

### Impact on Power Applications

- Improved energy efficiency →

Application examples	Loss reduction
Generators (some MVA)	30-40 %
Generators (> 100 MVA)	40-50 %
Transformers stationary	~ 50 %
Transformers mobile	80-90 %
Magnetic heating	~ 50 %
Magnetic separation	> 80 %
HTS currents leads	70-80 %
HTS high field magnets	> 90 %

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Transformers	30-50 %
Cables	> 50 %

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#### Superconductivity facilitates

- Superconducting fault current limiters
- Fault current limiting systems
- Superconducting magnetic energy storage

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- **Higher power quality** →

#### Higher power quality

- Low impedance of superconducting power equipment
- High short-circuit capacity of grids with fault current limiters
- Fast compensation of disturbances with superconducting magnetic energy storage



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- Higher power quality
- **Environment-friendly** →

#### Liquid Nitrogen

- is used as cooling liquid and electrical insulation
- easily available
- inflammable

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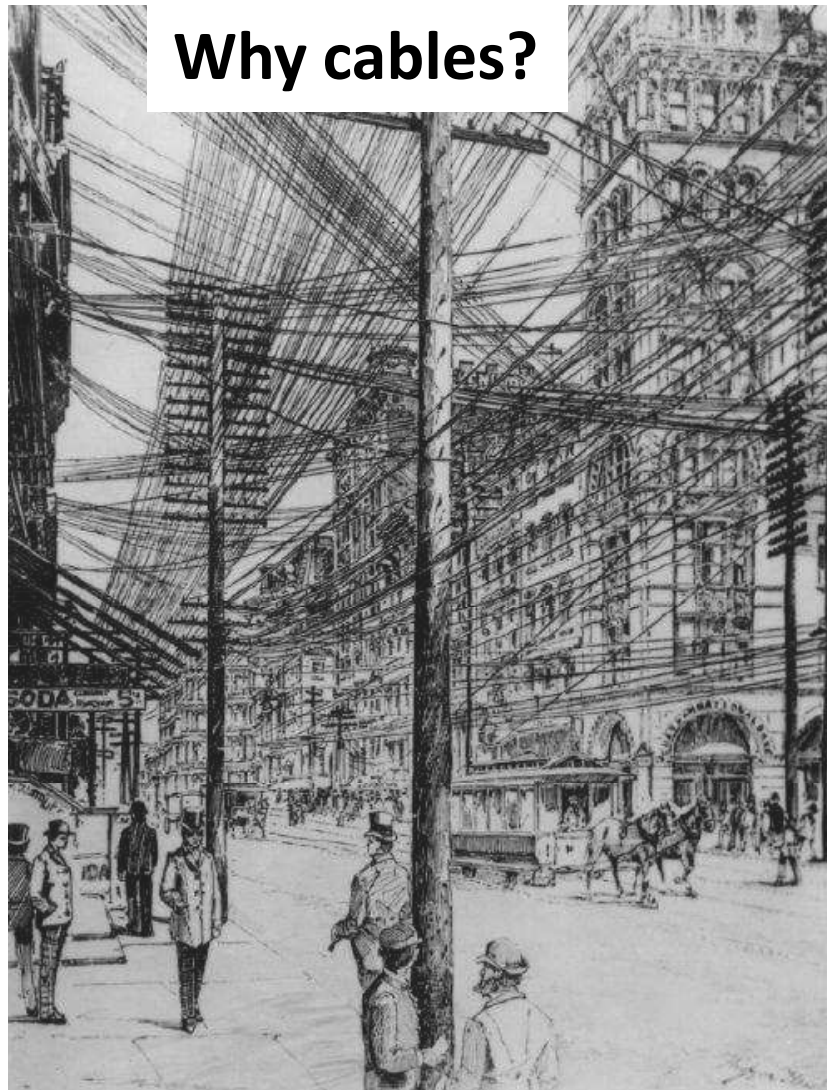
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# Superconducting Cables

## Motivation and benefits

## Why superconducting cables?



Why cables?



Manhattan „underground“ at 2003

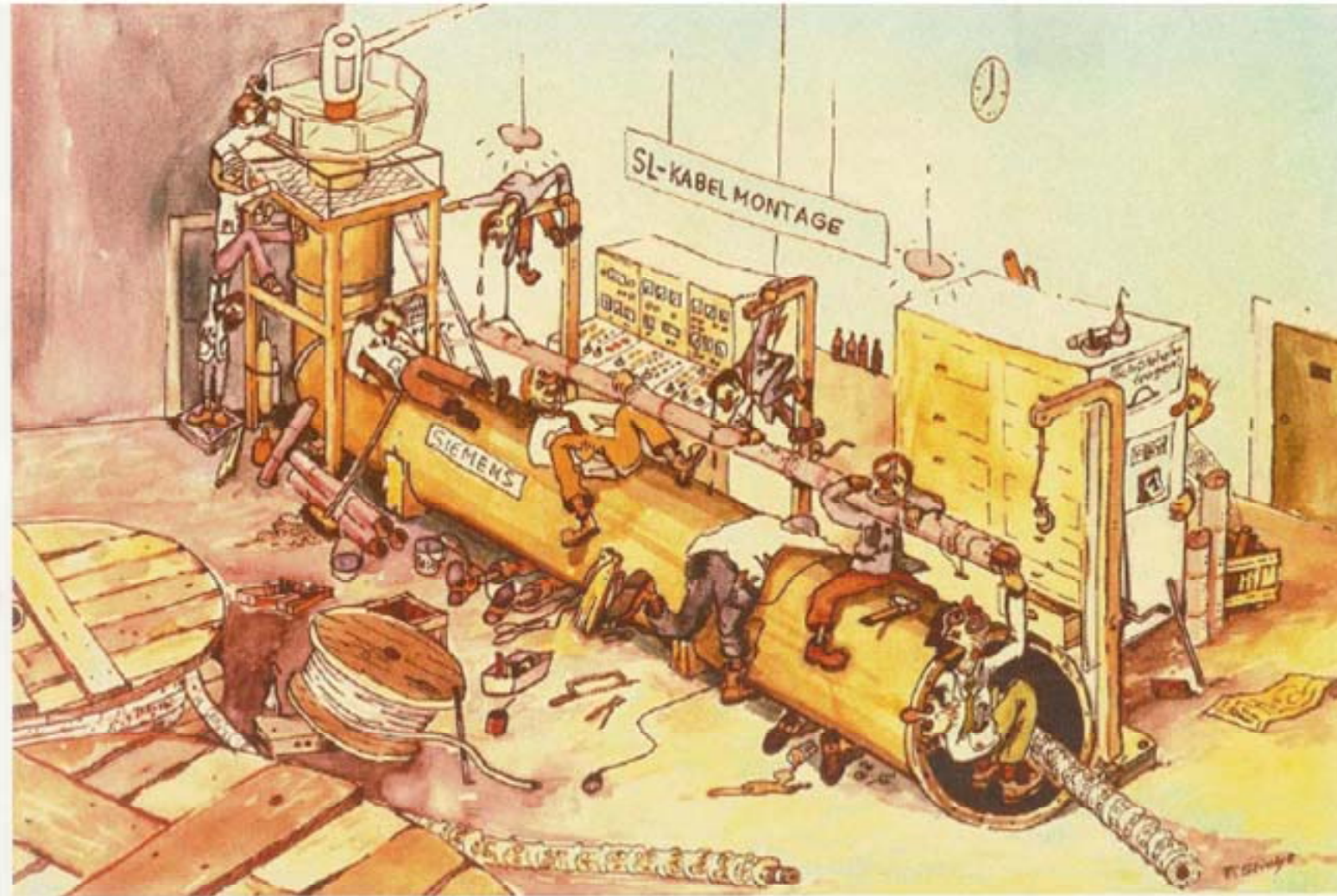
SC cables enable  
higher current at small diameter or  
high capacity at lower voltage

Manhattan „above ground“ at 1880



# Superconducting Cables

## Why not LTS Cables in Power Systems?



Courtesy: Dr. Heinz-Werner Neumüller, former Siemens Corporate Technology

# Superconducting AC Cables

## Why no long distance transmission with AC Cables?

Long distance (> 100 km) transmission of high power (> 1 GW) ?

### Cost comparison of overhead transmission line with conventional cable

110 km distance

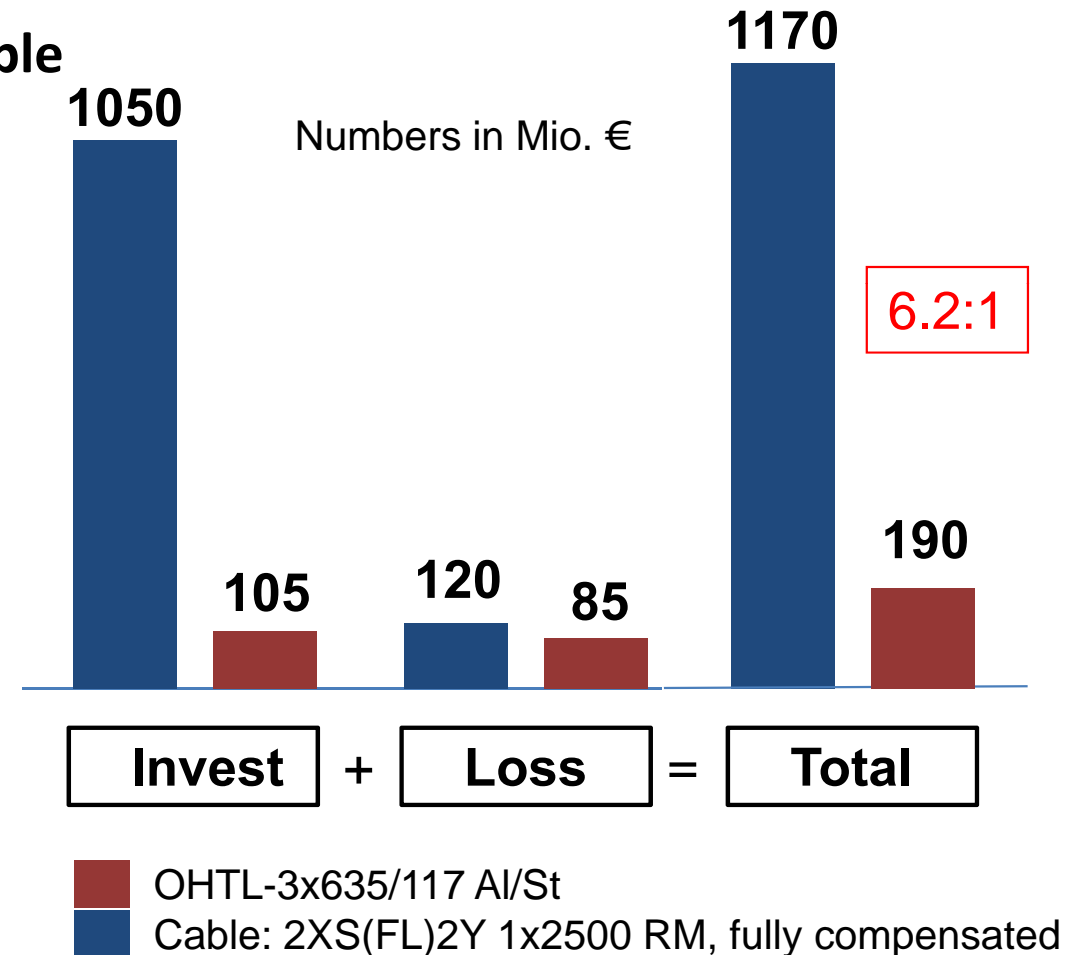
380 kV transmission voltage

2 Systems overhead transmission line

4 Systems 380 kV conventional cable

Conventional AC cables are not yet used for long distance high power transmission.

Why should we use HTS AC cables?



Source: B. Oswald, Freileitung/Erdkabel, 14.5.2009, Berlin

# Superconducting Cables

## 1 phase in 1 cryostat – cold dielectric design

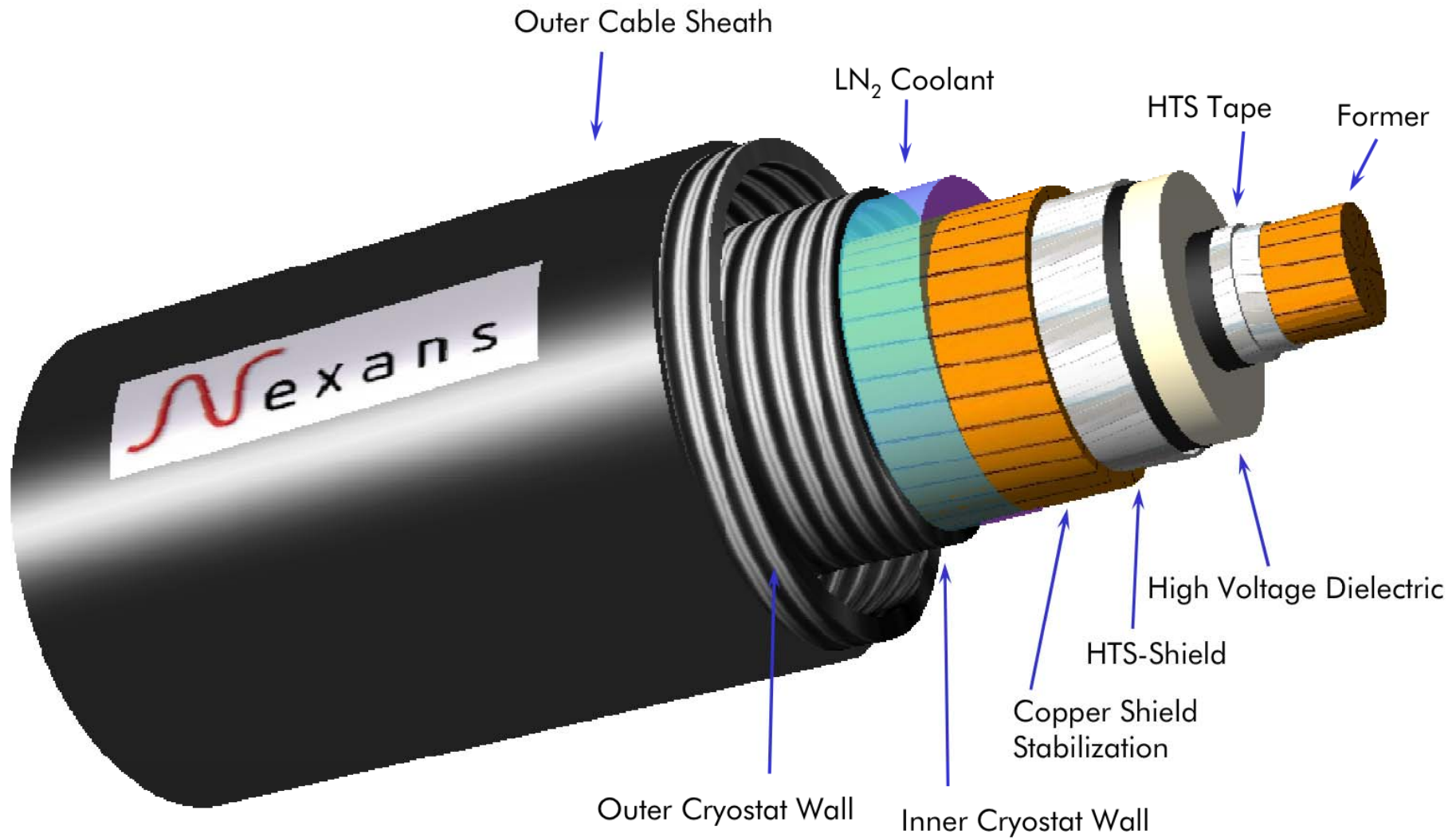


Figure: R. Soika, "Superconducting Power Cables" ESAS Summer School on Materials and Applications on Superconductivity, Karlsruhe 2010

# Superconducting Cables

## 3 phases in 1 cryostat – cold dielectric design

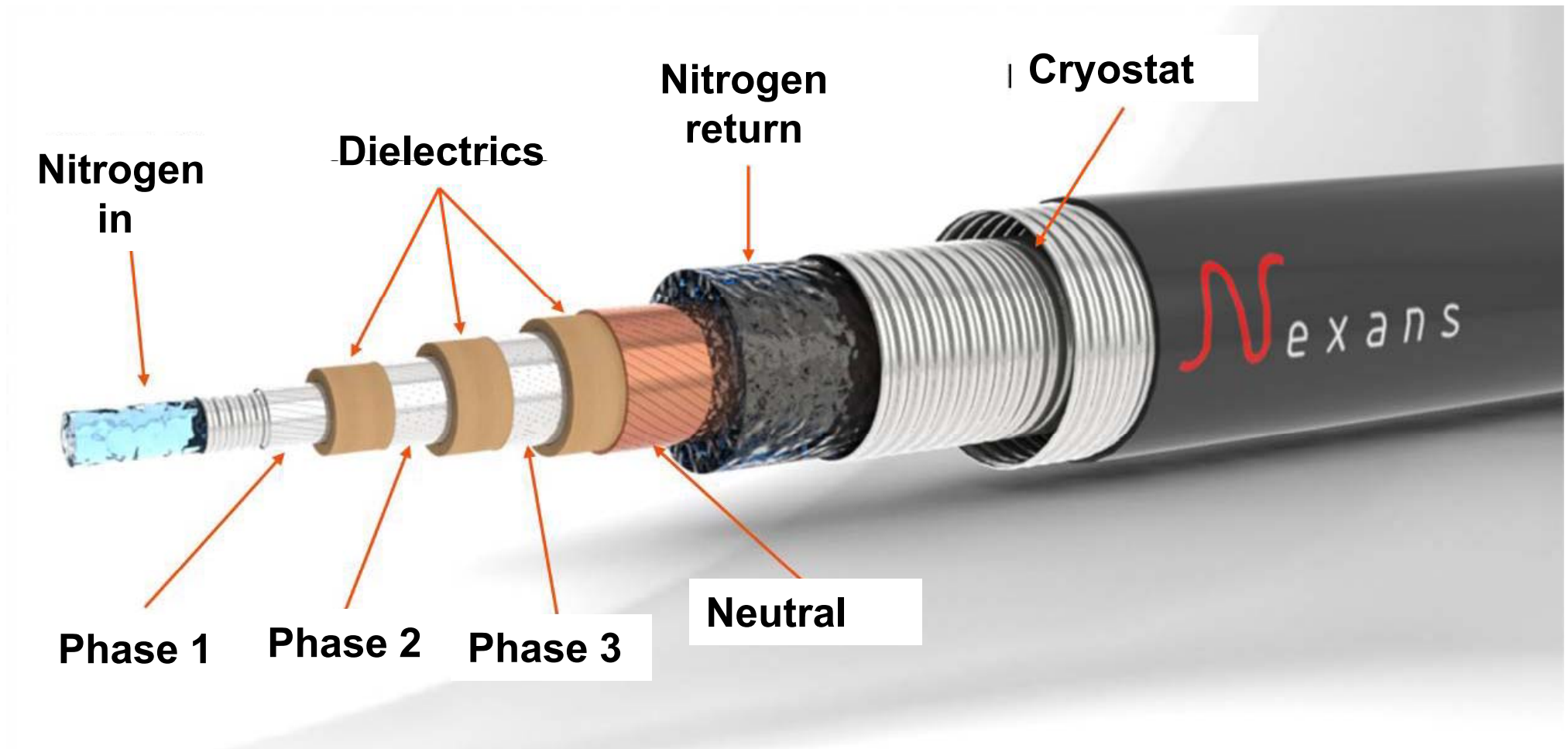


Figure: LS Cable



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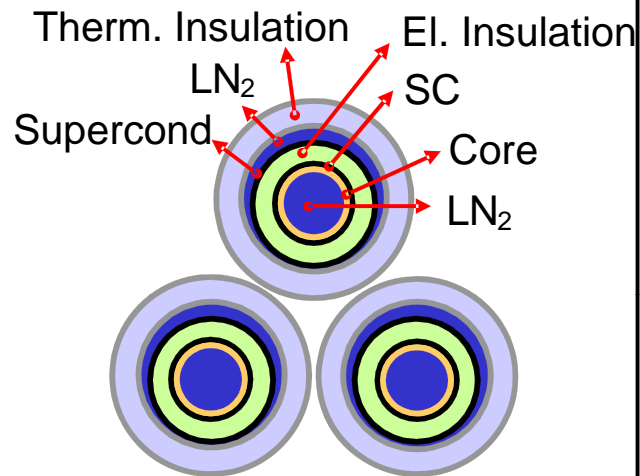
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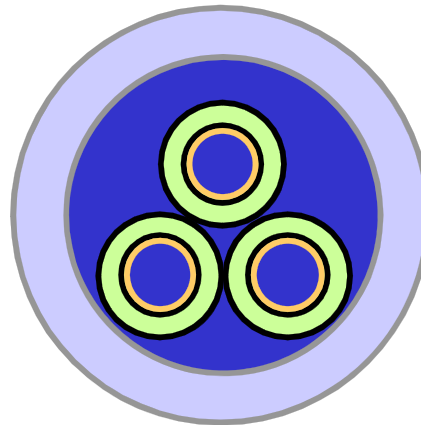
## Cable Types

### 1 phase in 1 cryostat



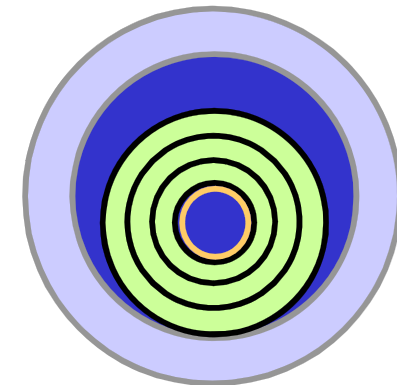
- No strayfield
- Longest lengths
- Highest voltages

### 3 phases in 1 cryostat



- No strayfield
- compact design
- Low and medium high voltages

### 3 concentric phases in 1 cryostat



- No strayfield
- compact design
- Low amount of SC
- only for medium vpltage

# Superconducting AC Cables

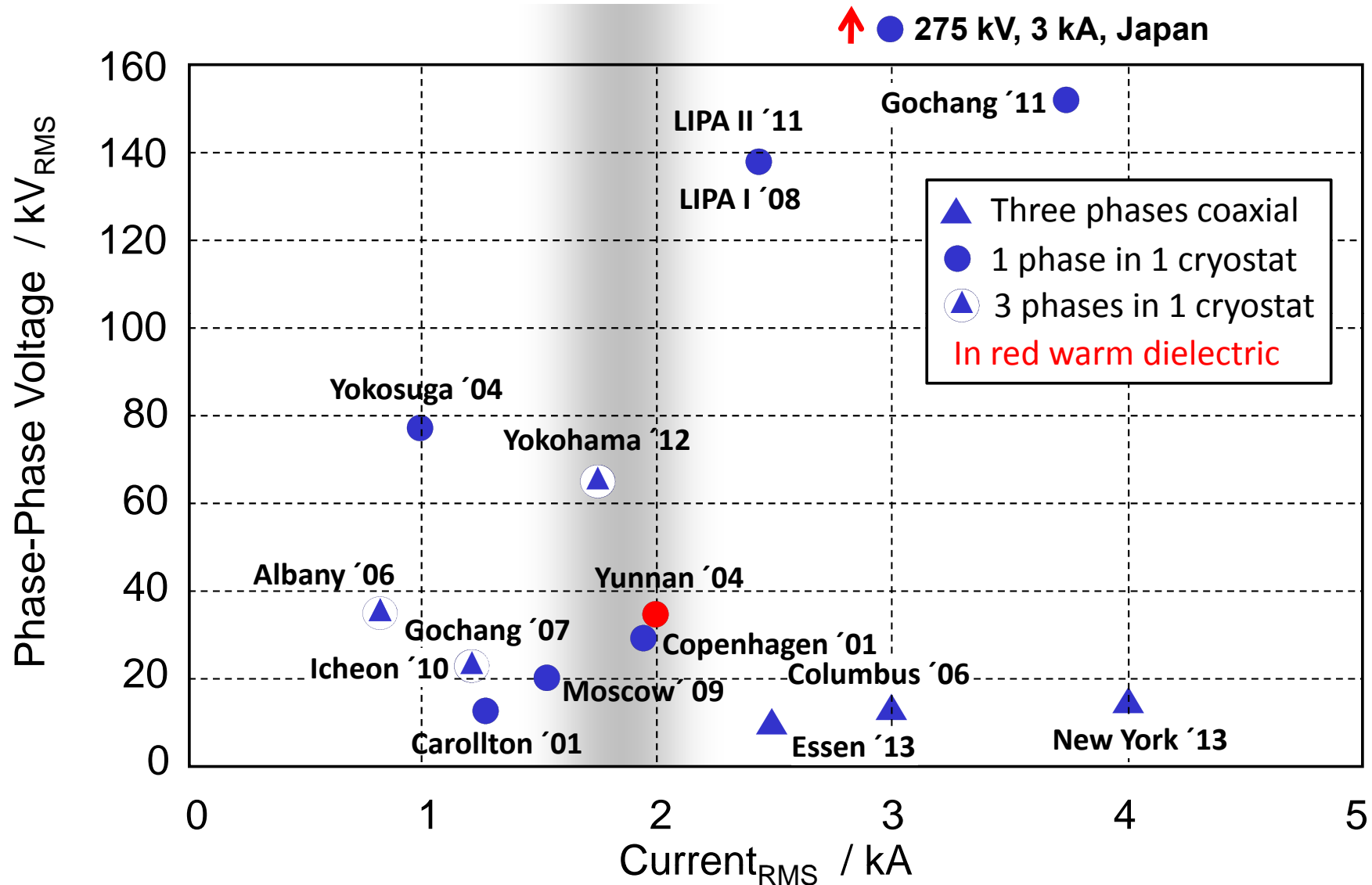
## State-of-the-Art of HTS AC Cables

Manufacturer	Place/Country/Year <sup>1)</sup>	Type	Data	HTS
Innopower	Yunnan, CN, 2004	WD	35 kV, 2 kA, 33 m, 3-ph.	Bi 2223
Sumitomo	Albany, US, 2006	CD	34.5 kV, 800 A, 350 m, 3-ph.	Bi 2223
Ultera	Columbus, US, 2006	Triax	13.2 kV, 3 kA, 200 m, 3-ph.	Bi 2223
Sumitomo	Gochang, KR, 2006	CD	22.9 kV, 1.25 kA, 100 m, 3-ph.	Bi 2223
LS Cable	Gochang, KR, 2007	CD	22.9 kV, 1.26 kA, 100 m, 3-ph.	Bi 2223
Sumitomo	Albany, US, 2007	CD	34.5 kV, 800 A, 30 m, 3-ph.	YBCO
Nexans	Hannover, D, 2007	CD	138 kV, 1.8 kA, 30 m, 1-ph.	YBCO
Nexans	Long Island, US, 2008	CD	138 kV, 1.8 kA, 600 m, 3-ph.	Bi 2223
Nexans	Spain, 2008	CD	10 kV, 1 kA, 30 m, 1-ph	YBCO
Ultera	New York, US, 2013	Triax	13.8 kV, 4 kA, 240 m, 3-ph.	YBCO
Nexans	Long Island, US, 2011	CD	138 kV, 2.4 kA, 600 m, 1-ph.	YBCO
LS Cable	Gochang, KR, 2011	CD	154 kV, 1 GVA, 100 m, 3-ph.	YBCO
LS Cable	Seoul, KR, 2011	CD	22.9 kV, 50 MVA, 500 m, 3-ph.	YBCO
Sumitomo	Yokohama, JP, 2012	CD	66 kV, 200 MVA, 200 m, 3-ph.	Bi 2223
Sumitomo	TEPCO, JP	CD	66 kV, 5 kA	to be defined
Furukawa	TEPCO, JP	CD	275 kV, 3 kA	Bi 2223
Sumitomo	Chubu U., JP, 2010	CD	10 kV, 3 kA DC, 20 m, 200 m	Bi 2223
VNIIEP	Moscow, RU, 2010	CD	20 kV, 200 m	Bi 2223
Nexans	Essen, D, 2013	CD	10 kV, 2.4 kA, 1000 m, 3 ph.	Bi 2223

# Superconducting AC Cables

## State-of-the-Art of HTS AC Cable Tests

Maximum rated current of conventional cables in air



# Superconducting AC Cables

## State-of-the-Art

Columbus



Ultera  
13.2 kV, 3 kA, 200 m  
Triaxial™ Design  
BSCCO 2223  
Energized 2006  
High reliability

Figure:  
Ultera

LIPA



Nexans  
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Figure:  
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Gochang



Figure: LS Cable

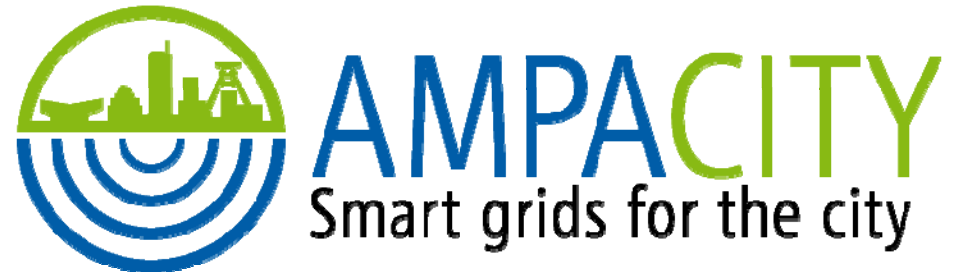
LS Cable  
22.9 kV, 50 MVA, 100 m  
BSCCO 2223  
Energized 2007  
500 m field test with YBCO  
in 2011



# Superconducting AC Cables

## 40 MVA, 10 kV, 1 km

- Project partners: RWE, Nexans, KIT
- 10 kV, 2.3 kA (40 MVA), 1000 m
- HTS cable with HTS FCL
- Project started in September 2011
- Prototype test successfully finished
- Commissioning by end of 2013



VORWEG GEHEN

Nexans

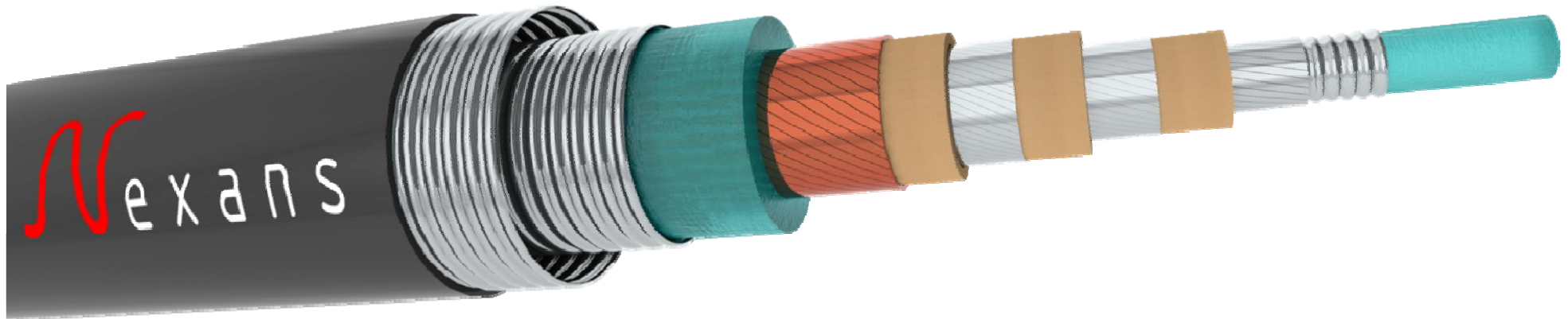
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***Worlds first HTS system installation in a city center connecting two substations***

# Superconducting DC Cables

## Where are the Applications for HTS DC Cables?

### Industry high current lines



Figure: Vision electric

### Integrate Renewables

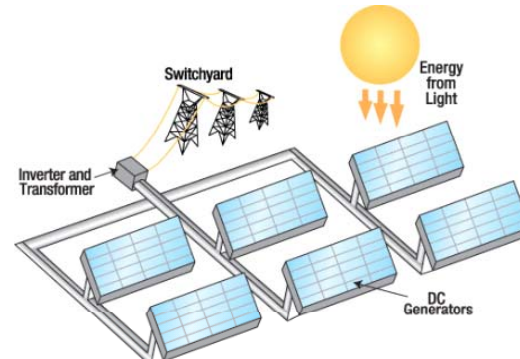


Figure: J. Minervini, MIT

### Connection of Datacenter



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### Partly grounding of HVDC lines

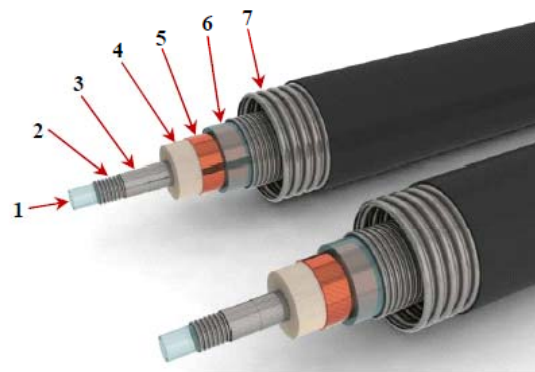


Figure: Nexans

### GW long distance transmission

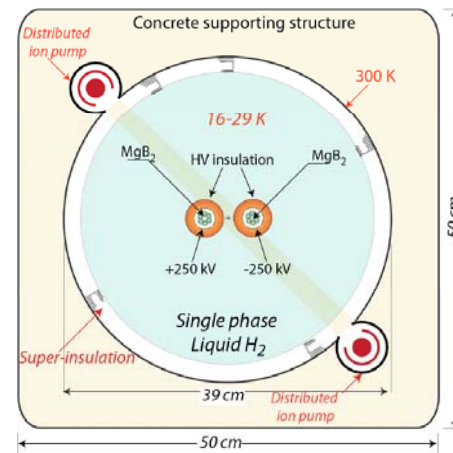


Figure: C. Rubbia, IASS

### Degaussing of ships

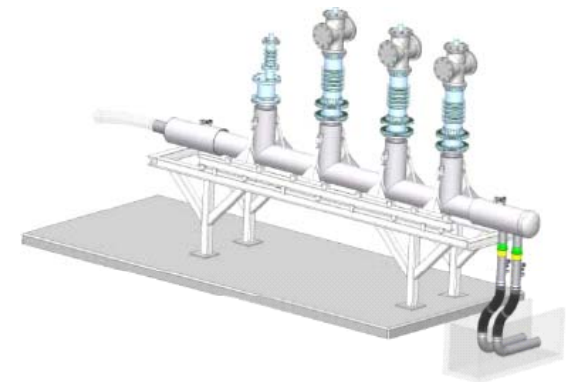


Figure: B. Fitzpatrick, HTS Peerreview2010

# Superconducting DC Cables

## Energy Efficiency – Comparison of Copper and HTS Cables

### Specific loss

$$p_{Cu} = 1000 \frac{1 \frac{A}{mm^2}}{57 \frac{m}{\Omega mm^2}} = 17,54 \frac{W}{m kA}$$

Copper at 20 °C

$$p_{Cu} = 1000 \frac{1 \frac{A}{mm^2}}{45 \frac{m}{\Omega mm^2}} = 22,2 \frac{W}{m kA}$$

Copper at 90 °C

$$p_v = \frac{P_{Cryo} + P_{CL}}{\eta_{Cooling}} = \frac{\pi \cdot 150 mm \cdot 1 \frac{W}{m^2} + 4 \cdot 20 \frac{W}{kA}}{\frac{1}{15}} = 7,06 \frac{W}{m} + 1200 \frac{W}{kA} \quad \text{HTS}$$

Example: 5 kA, 100 km

Copper (300 K) = 8770 kW

HTS = 712 kW

Assumptions	
Copper transmission line	
Current density	1.0 A/mm <sup>2</sup>
Specific conductivity	57 m/Ωmm <sup>2</sup>
Temperature value	0,0038
Max. Temperature	85-90 °C
HTSL DC transmission	
Cryostat diameter	150-200 mm
Cooling efficiency	1/15
Current lead loss	20 W/kA
Cryostat loss	1 W/m <sup>2</sup>

HTS DC cables can reduce transmission loss by more than 90 %.



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### Smaller volume and weight

- Half the weight and volume
- Two times higher power density

### Less resources

- Higher efficiency
- Less material

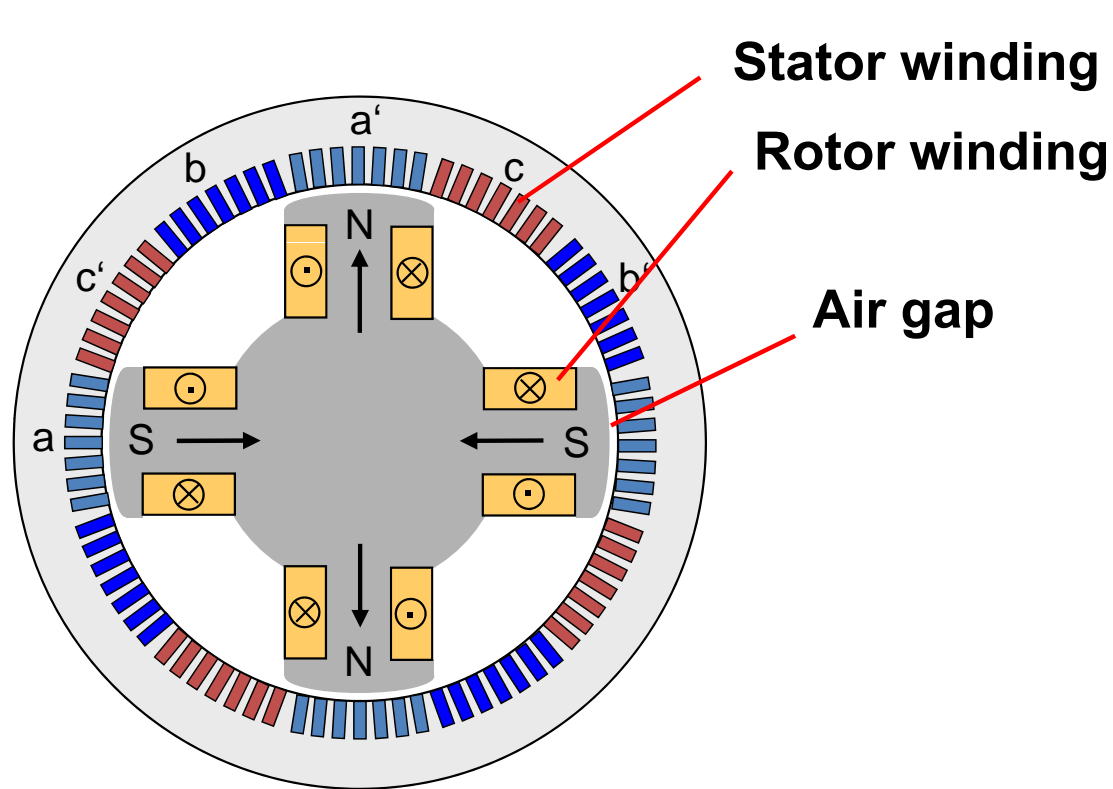
### Improved operation parameters

- Lower voltage drop ( $x_d \sim 0.2-0.3$  p.u.)
- Higher stability
- Higher torque and dynamics
- Higher ratio of breakdown torque to nominal torque
- More reactive power

## Enables new drive and generator systems

# Superconducting Rotating Machines

## Conventional synchronous machine (4 poles, p=2)



- Small air gap
- Iron rotor
- Stator winding in grooves

### Parameter

Torque/Lenght

$$\sim n I_{stat} B_r r$$

$$\sim A_1 r B_r r$$

Power

$$\sim A_1 B_r r^2 L n$$

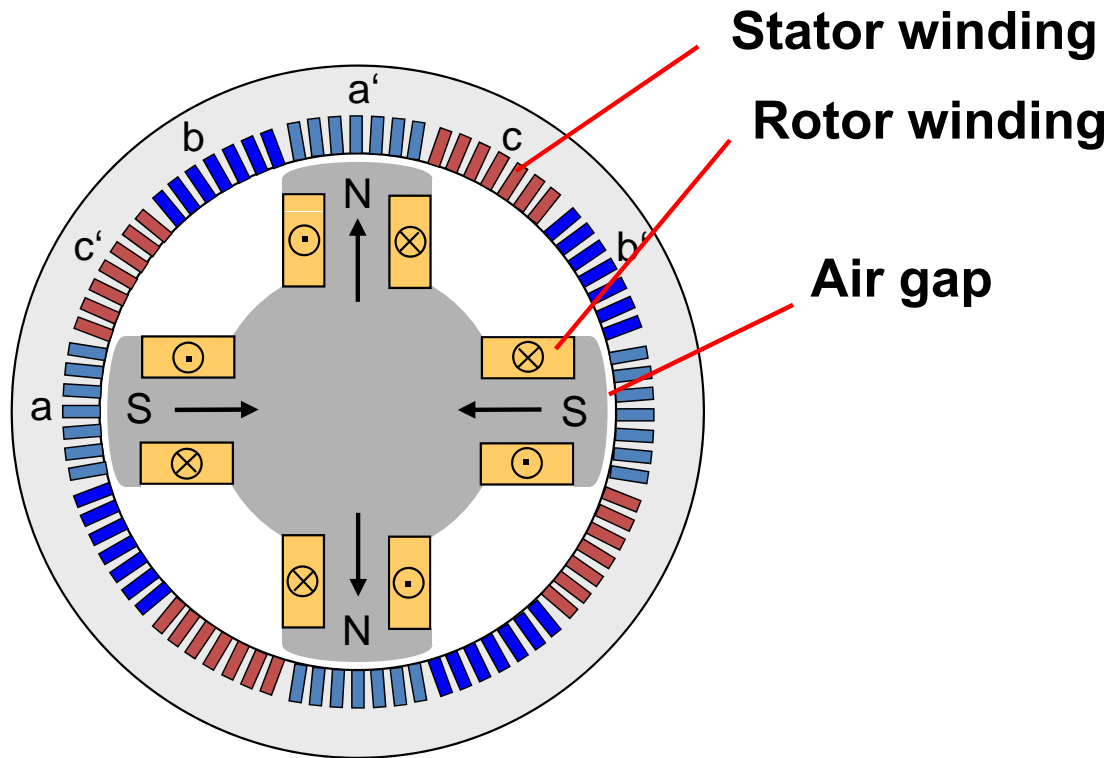
Power/Volume

$$\sim A_1 B_r n$$

What is the impact of superconductivity?

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$$B = 1 \text{ T}$$

$$A_1 = 1 \text{ p.u.}$$

$$P = 1 \text{ p.u.}$$

### Loss

$$P_{\text{Cu,stat}} = 1 \text{ p.u.}$$

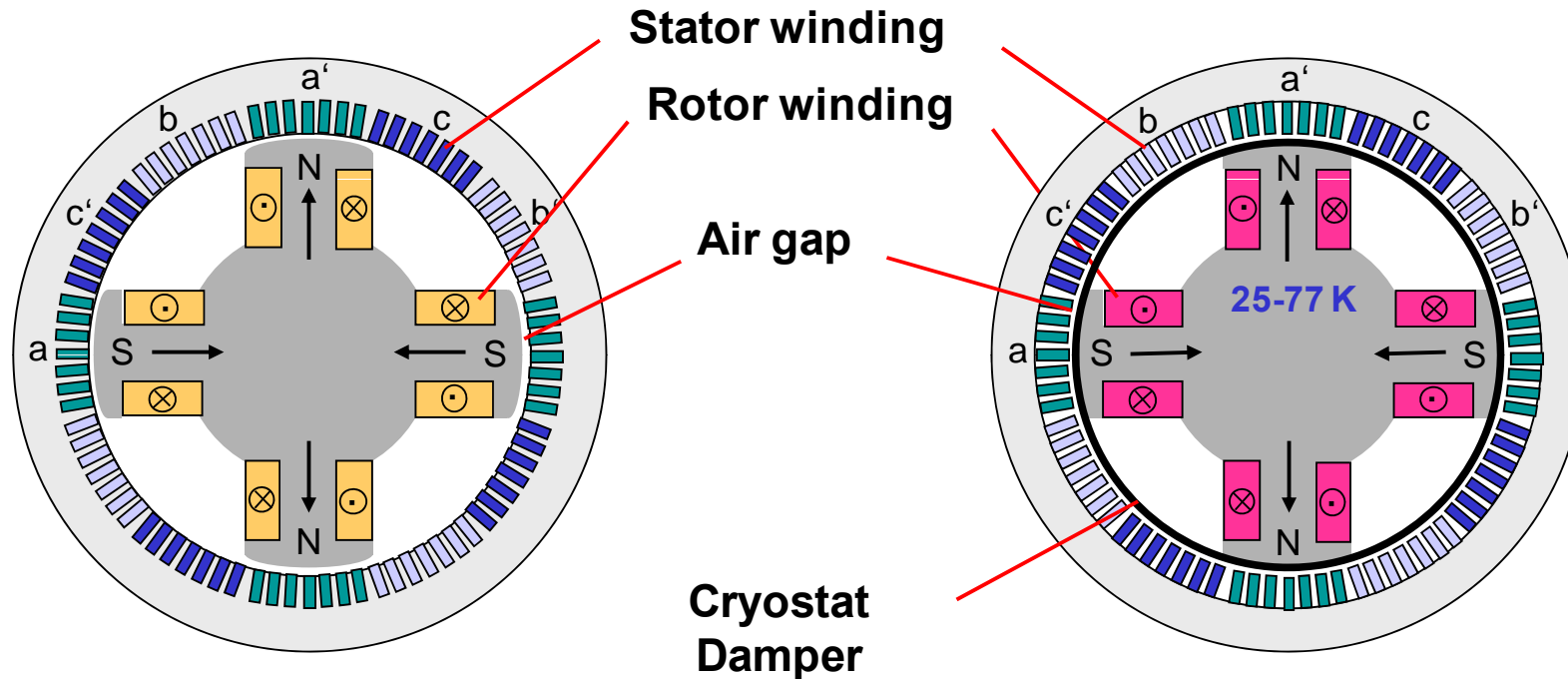
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$$P_{\text{Fe}} = 1 \text{ p.u.}$$

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**Conventional synchronous machine  
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**Superconducting synchronous machine  
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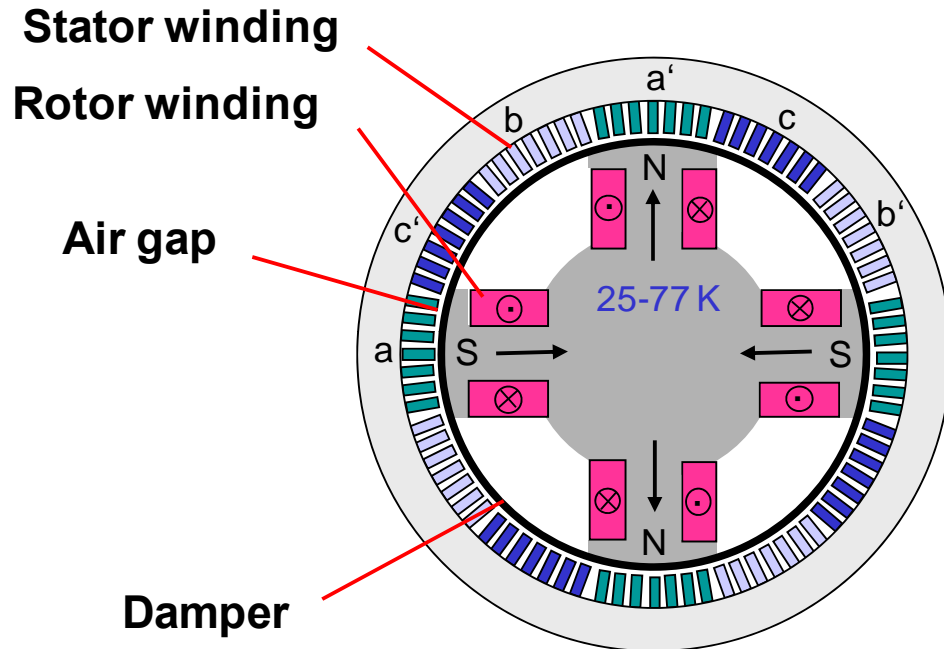


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- Copper stator winding AC
- Superconducting rotor winding DC
- non-magnetic rotor
- Air gap stator winding
- Large air gap
- Damper

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### Superconducting

$$B = 2 \text{ T}$$

$$A_1 = 2 \text{ p.u.}$$

$$P = 4 \text{ p.u.}$$

### Loss

$$P_{\text{Cu,stat}} = 2 \text{ p.u.}$$

$$P_{\text{Cu,rot}} = 0 \text{ p.u.} + P_{\text{Kälte}}$$

$$P_{\text{Fe}} = 0,6 \text{ p.u.}$$

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$$P_{\text{Cu,rot}} = 1 \text{ p.u.}$$

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## State-of-the-Art of large scale Motors and Generators

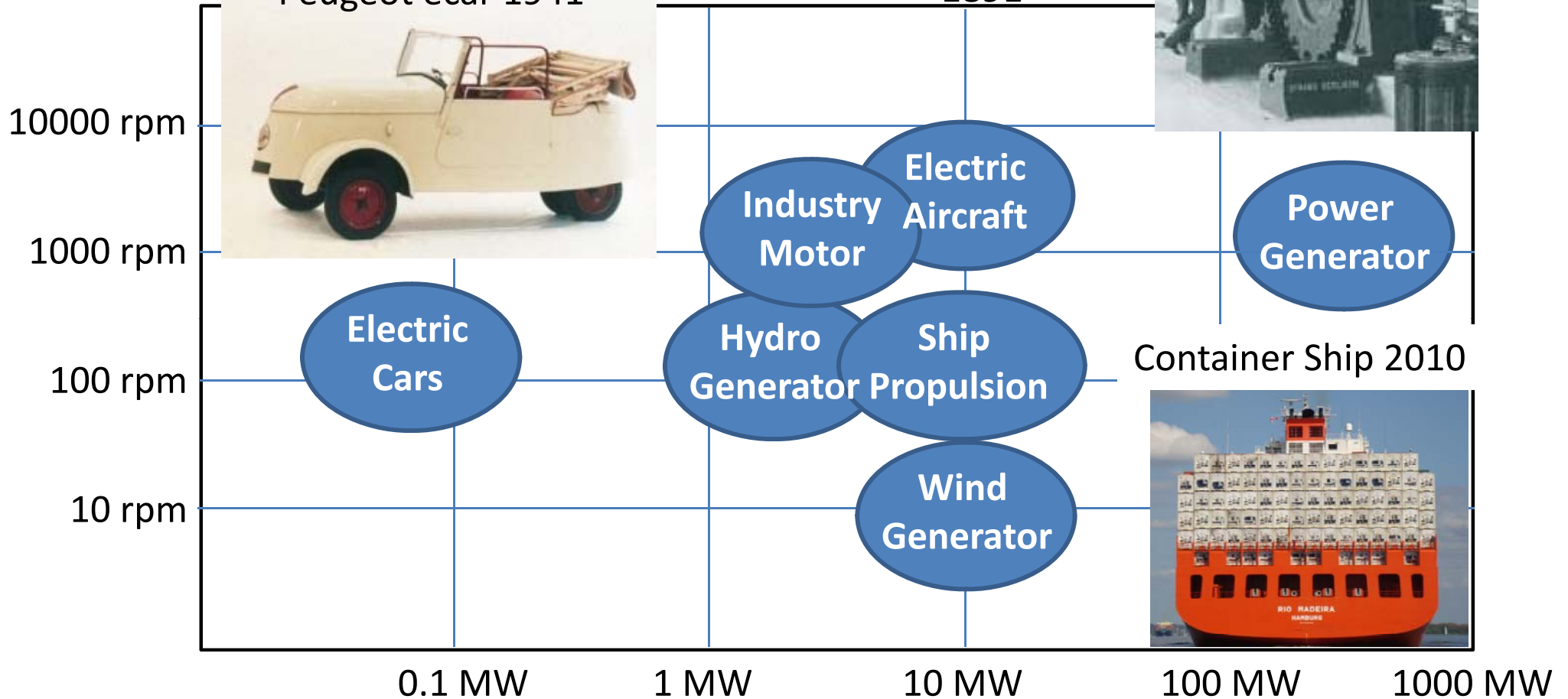
Manufacturer / Country	Machine	Timeline
AMSC (US)	5 MW demo-motor	2004
	8 MVA, 12 MVA synchronous condenser	2005/2006 ( <b>Field test</b> )
	40 MVA generator design study	2006
	36 MW ship propulsion motor 8 MW wind generator design study	2008 2010
GE (US)	100 MVA utility generator	2006 (discontinued)
	5 MVA homopolar induction motor	2008
LEI (US)	5 MVA high speed generator	2006
Reliance Electric (US)	10.5 MVA generator design study	2008
Kawasaki (JP)	1 MW ship propulsion	200?
IHI Marine, SEI (JP)	365 kW ship propulsion motor	2007
	2.5MW ship propulsion motor	2010
Doosan, KERI (Korea)	1 MVA demo-generator	2007
	5 MW motor ship propulsion	2011
Siemens (Germany)	4 MVA industrial generator	2008 ( <b>Field test</b> )
	4 MW ship propulsion motor	2010
Converteam (UK), now GE	1.25 MVA hydro-generator	2012
	500 kW demo-generator	2008
	8 MW wind generator design study	2010

# Superconducting Rotating Machines For which Application?

1<sup>st</sup> Power  
Generator  
in Germany  
1891



Peugeot ecar 1941



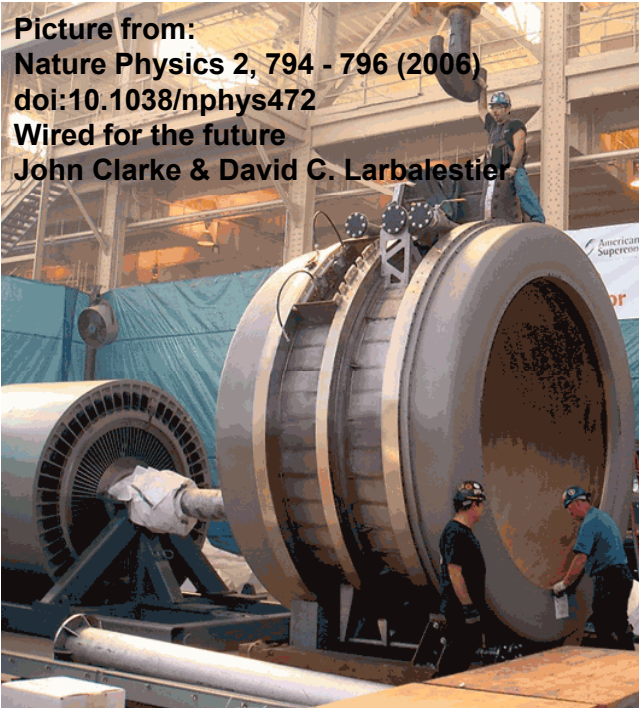
There are many potential applications for HTS rotating machines that differ very much in rating, torque and speed.



# Superconducting Rotating Machines

## 36.5 MW ship propulsion

Picture from:  
Nature Physics 2, 794 - 796 (2006)  
doi:10.1038/nphys472  
Wired for the future  
John Clarke & David C. Larbalestier



AMSC

36.5 MVA, 6 kV

120 rpm

8 poles, 75 tons

Efficiency > 97 %

Dimensions: 3,4 m x 4,6 m x 4,1 m

# Superconducting Rotating Machines

## 4 MW Synchronous Generator

### 4 MW HTS II – Long term field test at Siemens motor factory in Nuremberg



Figure: Siemens

#### Test results:

- Loss reduced by 50 %
- Full capacitive power
- High overload stability
- Low voltage drop
- Low total harmonic distortion
- More than 7500 operating hours
- Safe operation

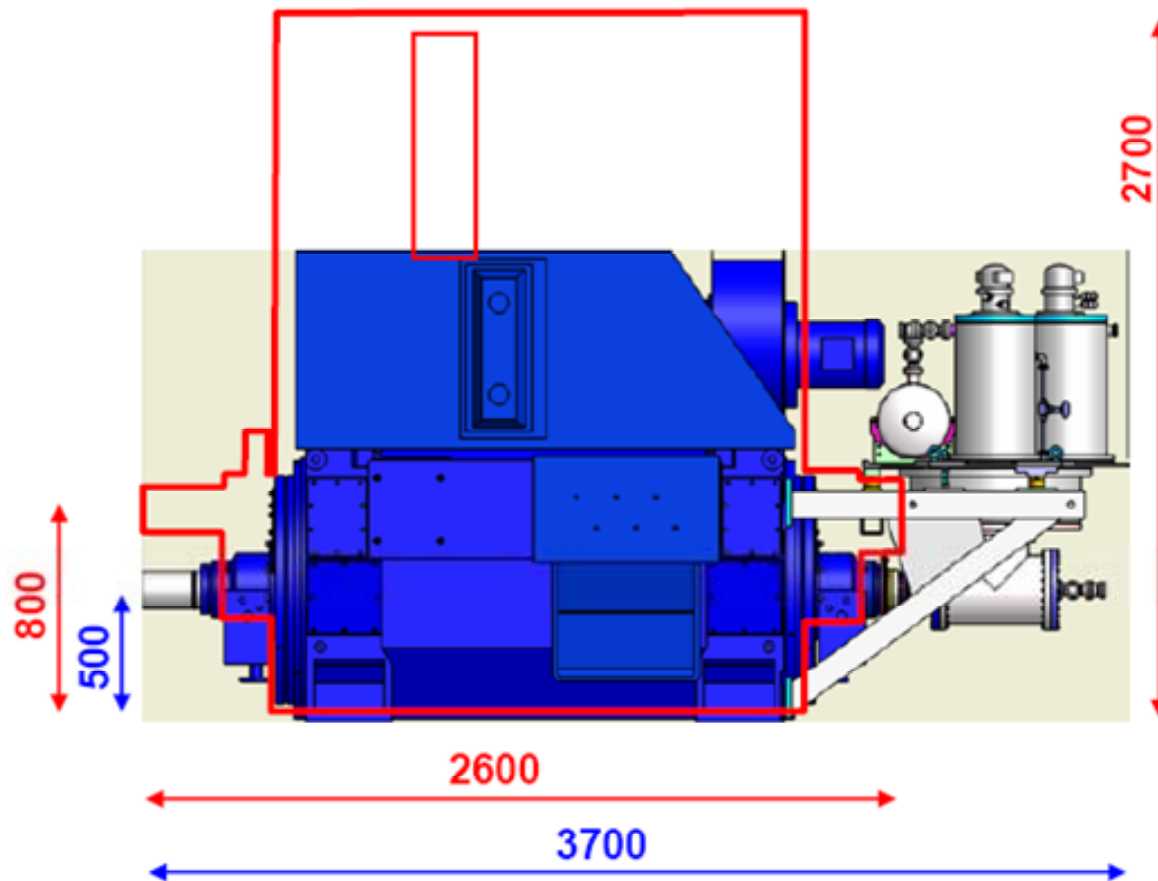
None of the shutdowns caused by HTS winding or cooling!  
All operating states and shutdowns tolerated by the system!

# Superconducting Rotating Machines

## 4 MW Size and Weight Comparison (Siemens)

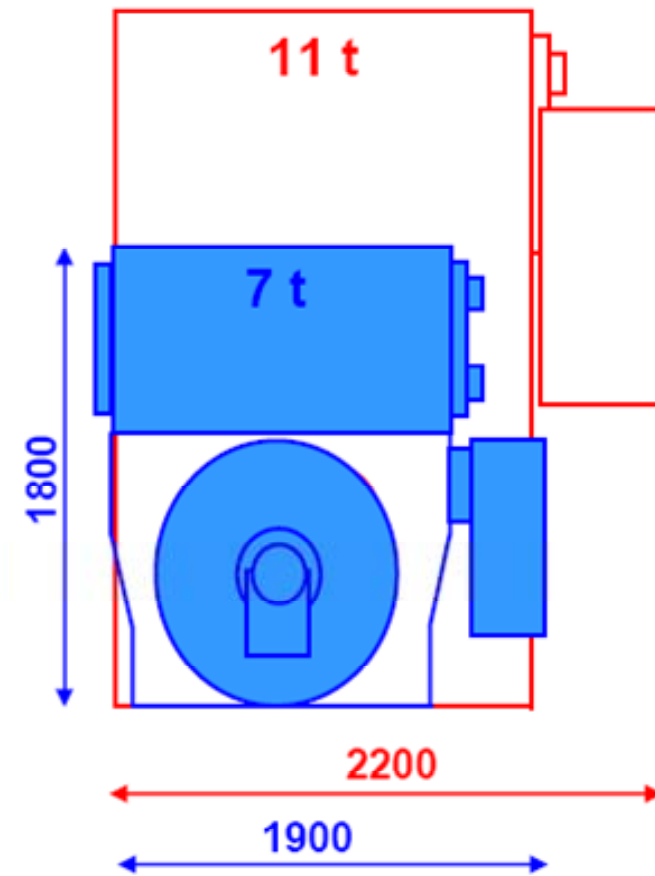
Conventional Maschine

Weight 11 to



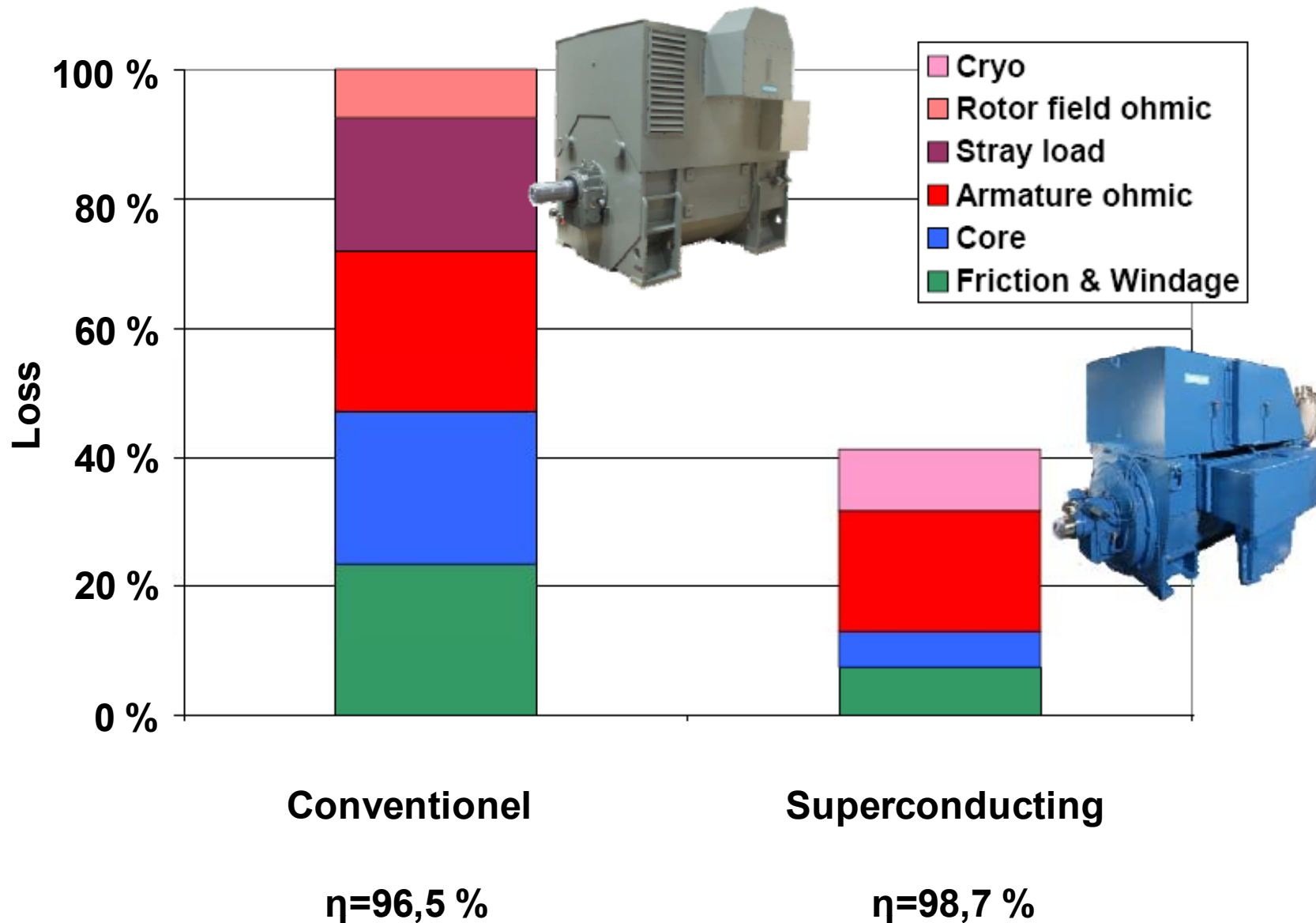
Superconducting Maschine

Weight 7 to



# Superconducting Rotating Machines

## 4 MW Energy Efficiency Comparison (Siemens)



# Superconducting Rotating Machines

## 1.7 MW Hydrogenerator (EU project Hydrogenie)

### Objective

Develop and field test of a compact HTS hydro power generator

### Partners

GE (Converteam) UK

Politechnika Slaska, Poland

Kema, Nederland

E.ON Wasserkraft, Germany

Zenergy Power, Germany

Stirling Cryogenics, Nederland

Cobham CTS, UK



GE(Converteam)

1.790 MW, 5.25 kV

214 rpm, 77.3 kNm

28 poles, 32.7 tons

4.7 m x 5.2 m x 3.5 m

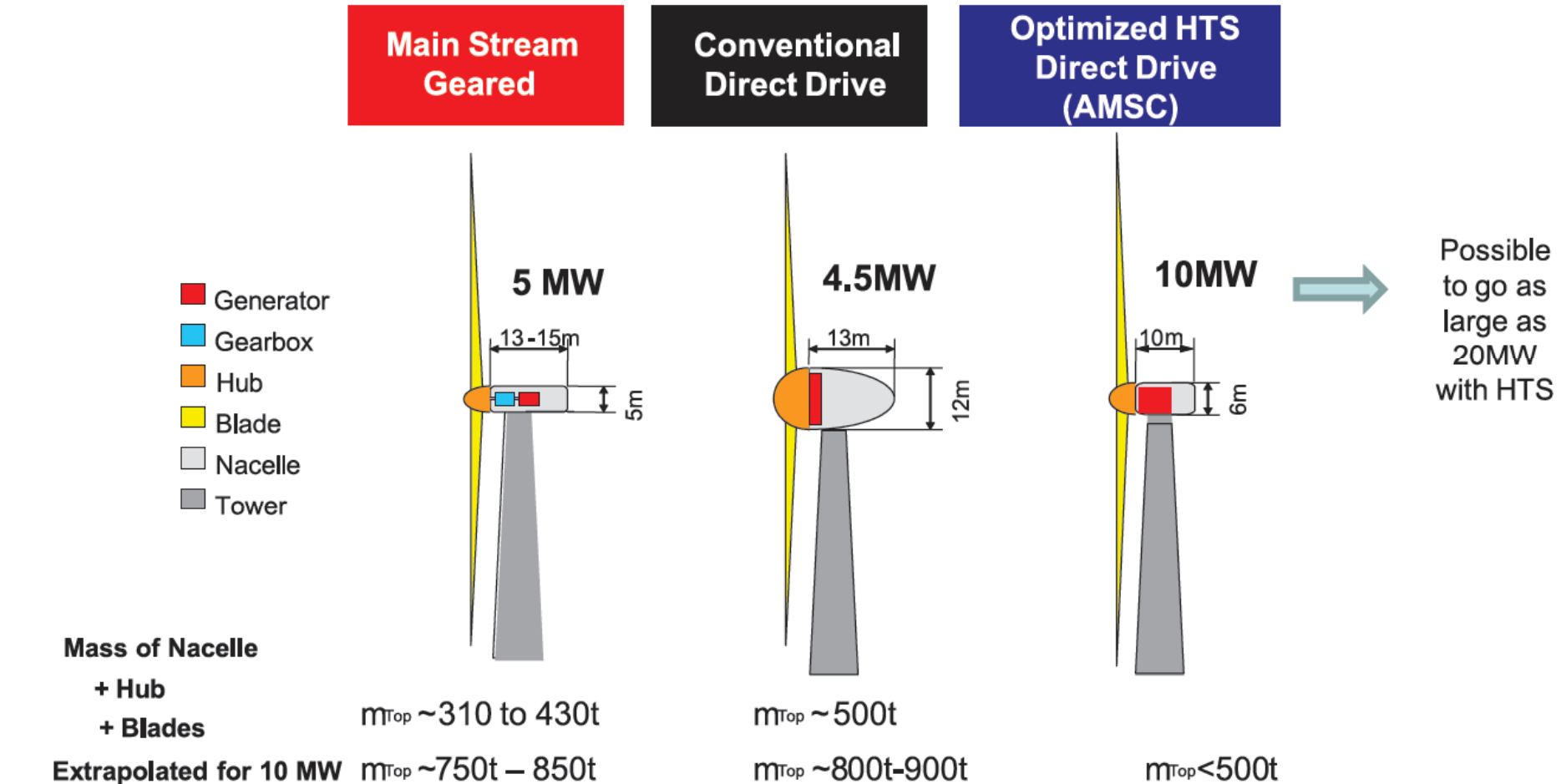
Installation in 2012

Successful test in 2013



# Superconducting Rotating Machines

## HTS Wind Generators



Picture from AMSC SeaTitan™ Data Sheet

One HTS wind generator with 10 MW and 4000 full load hours earns 1.8 Mio. €<sup>1)</sup> more per year than a conventional 5 MW wind generator.

# Superconducting Rotating Machines

## Suprapower Project (<http://www.suprapower-fp7.eu/>)

### Weight of the nacelle

- Reduced support structures and foundations
- Reduction: SC generator and Direct Drive

### SC wire: $\text{MgB}_2$

- based on economical and technical reasons
- demonstration of viability for WT

### Cryogenic system: conduction-cooled (cryogen-free)

- Gifford-McMahon cryocoolers
- Heat is removed by closed contact
- Compressors cannot rotate => High-pressure
- Helium rotary feed-through

### Industrially viable, installable and environmentally sustainable



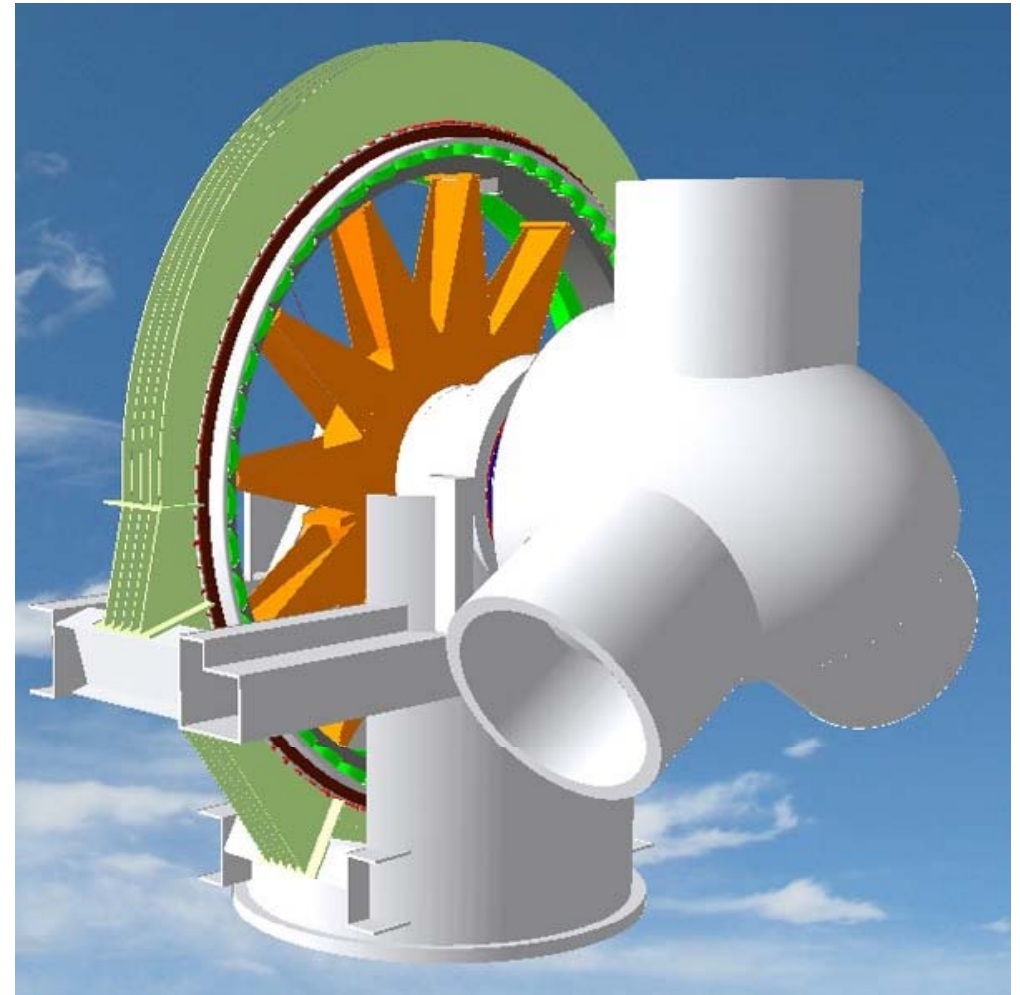
SC wind turbine according to Tecnia concept (PTC/ES2009/070639)

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### Partner

- tecnia
- ACCIONA WindPower
- ACCIONA Energia
- Columbus Superconductors
- Oerlikon-Leybold Vacuum
- Institute of Electrical Engineering  
Slovak Academic of Sciences
- University of Southampton
- KIT
- d2m Engineering

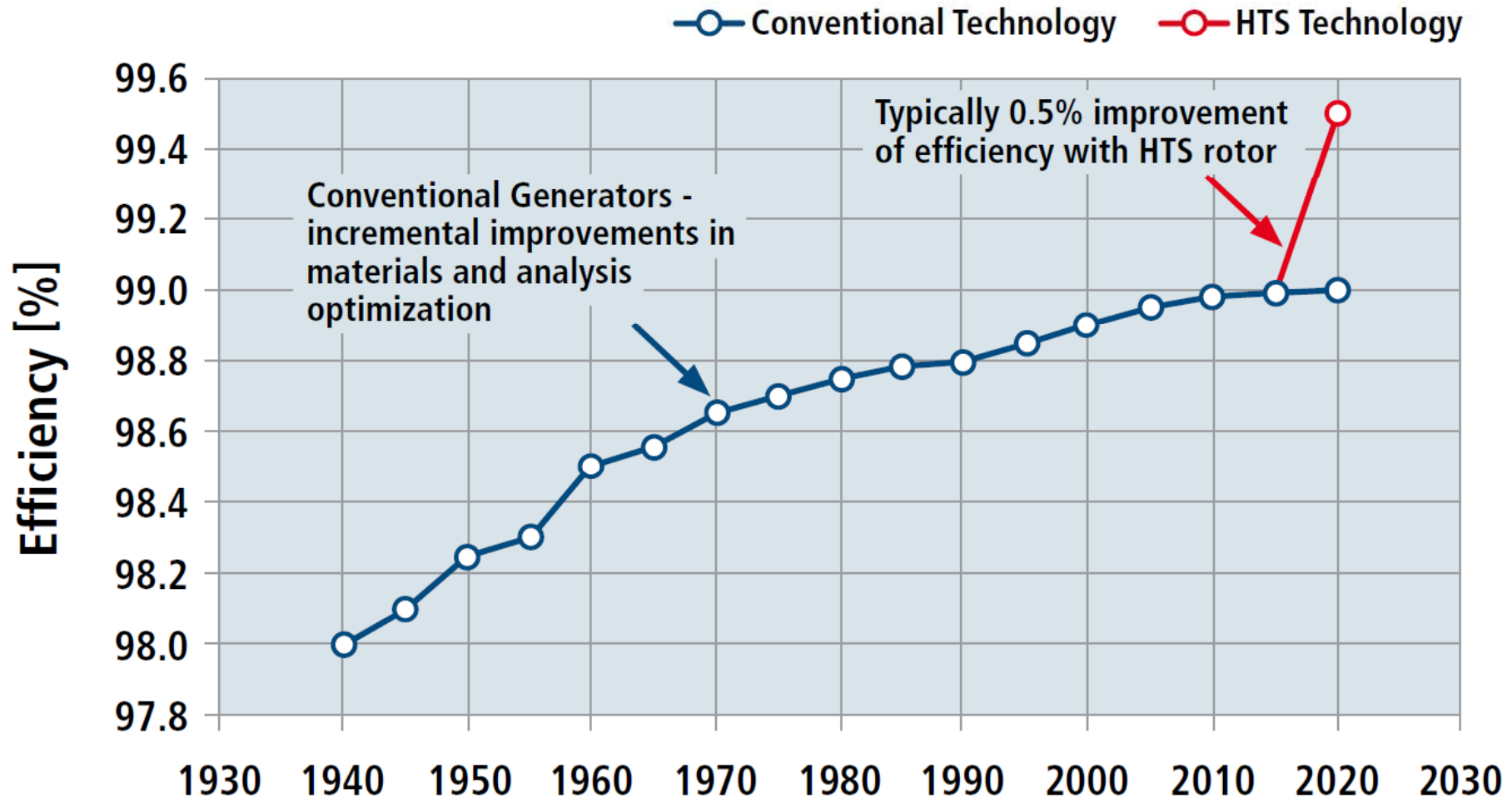


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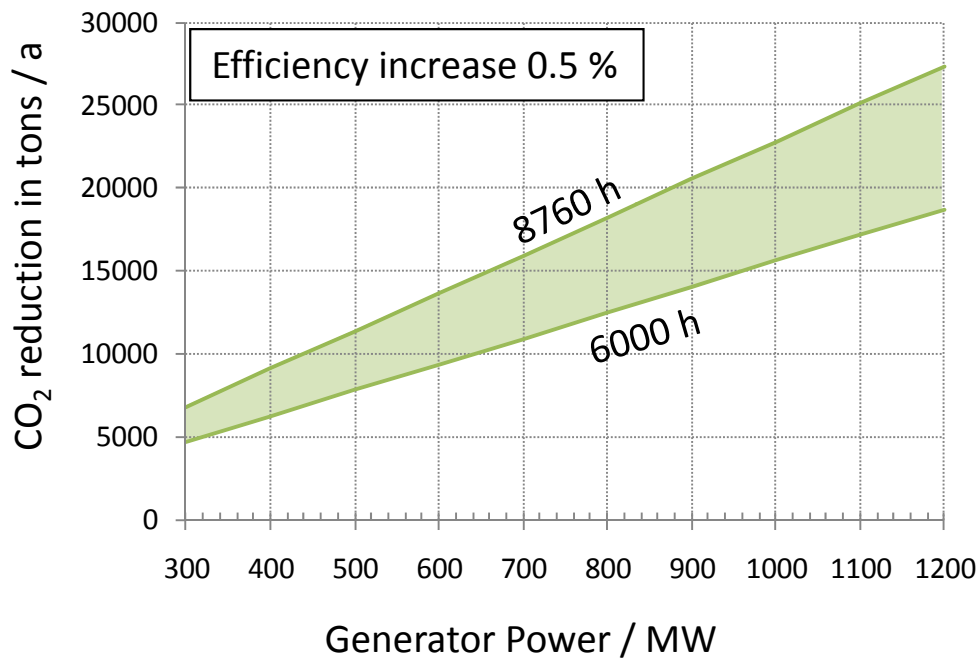


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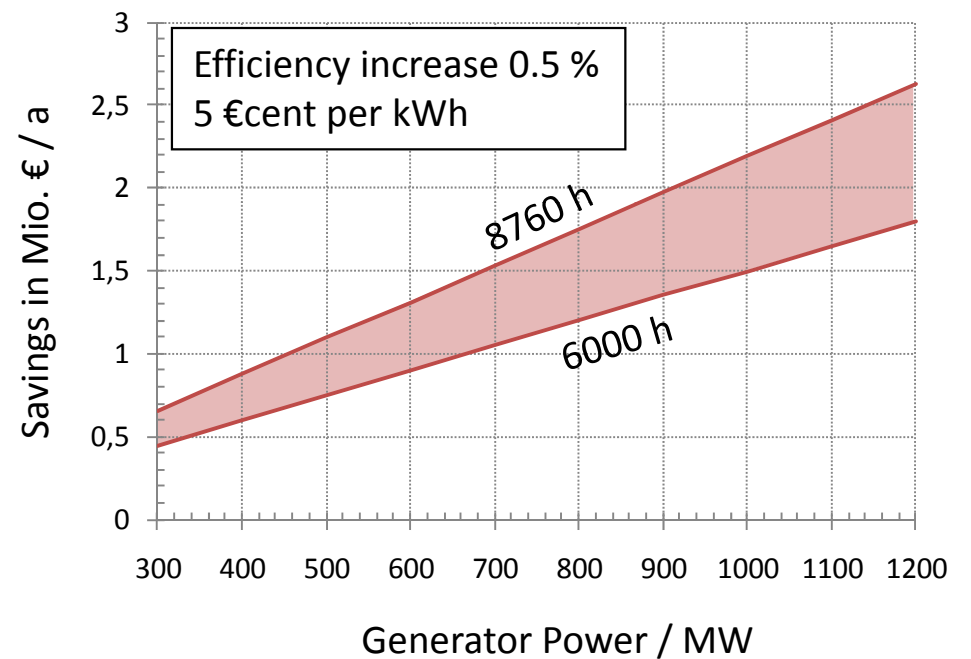
# Superconducting Rotating Machines

## Energy Efficiency of HTS Power Generators

CO<sub>2</sub> reduction per generator  
in tons / a <sup>1)</sup>



Savings per generator  
in Mio. € / a



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# Superconducting Transformers

## Motivation

### Manufacturing and transport

- Compact and lightweight (~50 % Reduction)

### Environment and Marketing

- Energy savings (~50 % Reduction)
- Ressource savings
- Inflammable (no oil)

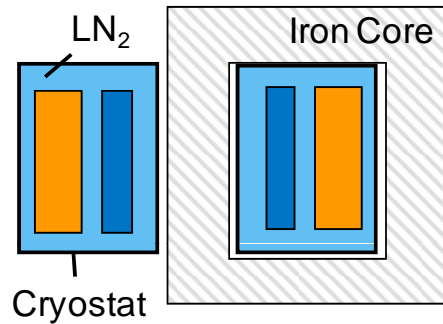
### Operation

- Low short-circuit impedance
  - Higher stability
  - Less voltage drops
  - Less reactive power
- Active current limitation
  - Protection of devices
  - Reduction of investment

# Superconducting Transformers

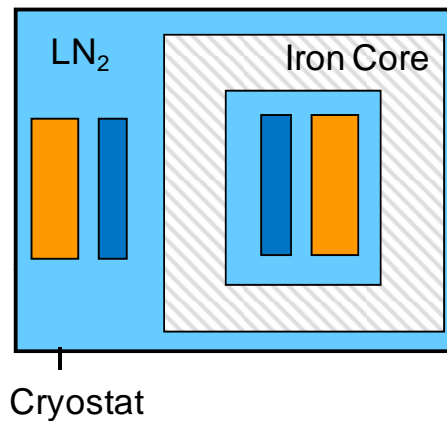
## Different types

### Warm Iron Core



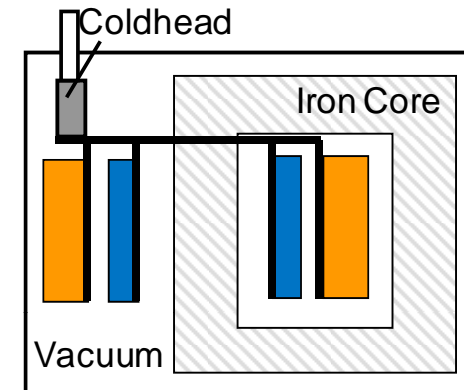
- ☺ Low Cooling Power
- ☺ Iron at Room Temperature
- ☹ Expensive Cryostat
- ☹ 3 Cryostats needed

### Cold Iron Core



- ☺ Simple Cryostat
- ☺ Simple Cooling interface
- ☹ High Cooling Power (Iron core loss at low temp.)

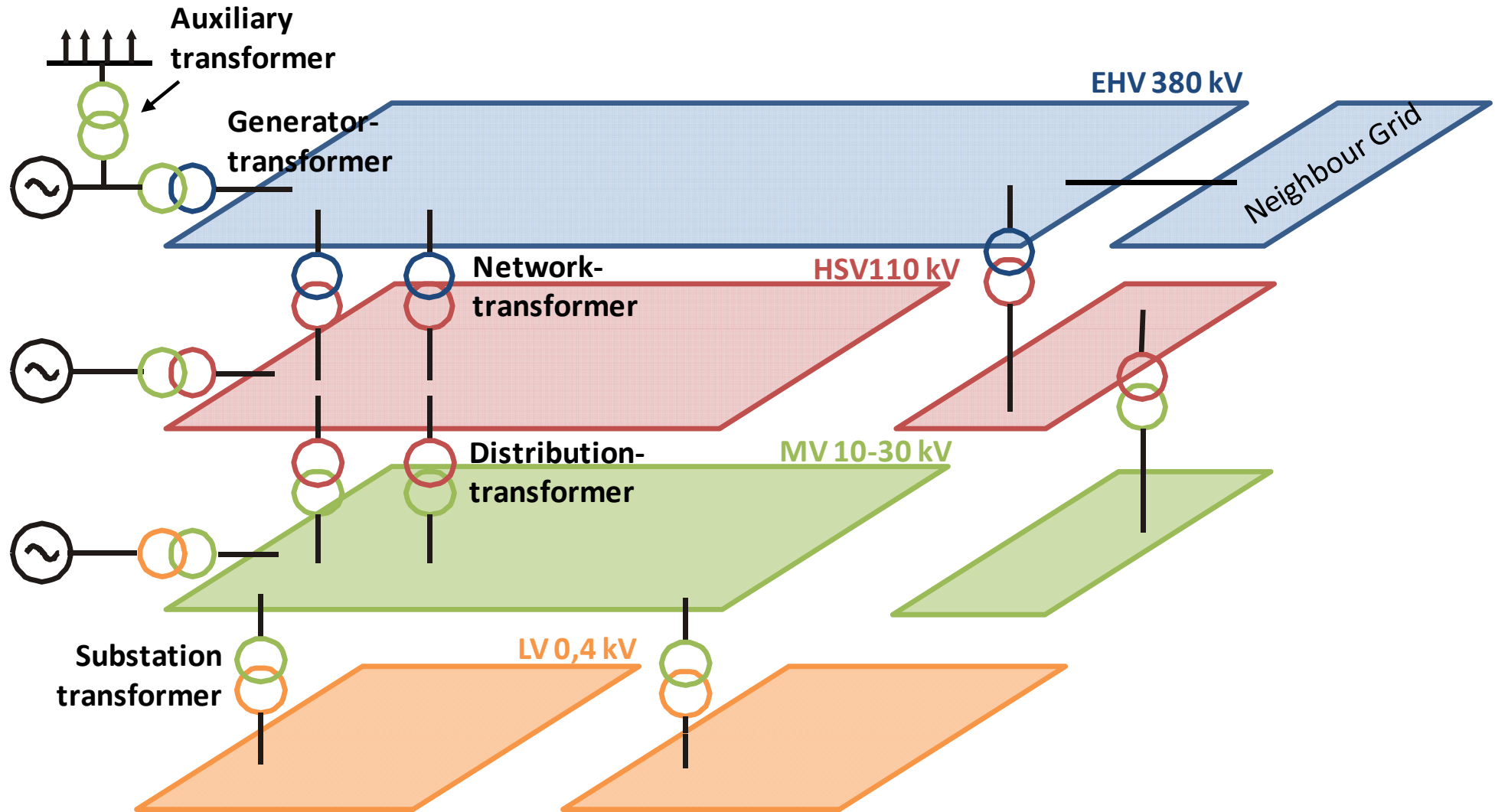
### Conduction Cooled



- ☺ Simple Cryostat
- ☺ Iron at Room Temperature
- ☹ Long recooling after quench
- ☹ Temperature difference
- ☹ Not suitable for high voltage

# Superconducting Transformers

## Applications



In general electricity passes 4-5 transformers from generation to load !

# Superconducting Transformers

## State-of-the-Art

Country	Inst.	Application	Data	Phase	Year	HTS
Switzerland	ABB	Distribution	630 kVA/18,42 kV/420 V	3 Dyn11	1996	Bi 2223
Japan	Fuji Electric Kyushu Uni	Demonstrator	500 kVA/6,6 kV/3,3 kV	1	1998	Bi 2223
Germany	Siemens	Demonstrator	100 kVA/5,5 kV/1,1 kV	1	1999	Bi 2223
USA	Waukesha	Demonstrator	1 MVA/13,8 kV/6,9 kV	1		Bi 2223
USA	Waukesha	Demonstrator	5 MVA/24,9 kV/4,2 kV	3 Dy		Bi 2223
Japan	Fuji Electric U Kyushu	Demonstrator	1 MVA/22 kV/6,9 kV	1	< 2001	Bi 2223
Germany	Siemens	Railway	1 MVA/25 kV/1,4 kV	1	2001	Bi 2223
EU	CNRS	Demonstrator	41 kVA/2050 V/410 V	1	2003	P-YBCO S- Bi 2223
Korea	U Seoul	Demonstrator	1 MVA/22,9 kV/6,6 kV	1	2004	Bi 2223
Japan	U Nagoya	Demonstrator	2 MVA/22 kV/6,6 kV	1	2009	P-Bi 2223 S-YBCO
Germany	KIT	Demonstrator	1 MVA, 20 kV	1	2015	P-Cu/S-YBCO
USA	Waukesha	Prototype	28 MVA/69 kV	3	2013	YBCO
Japan	Kyushu	Demonstrator	400 kVA	1	2010	YBCO
Australlia	Callaghan Innovation	Demonstrator	1 MVA	3	2013	YBCO

 Active current limitation

# Superconducting Transformers

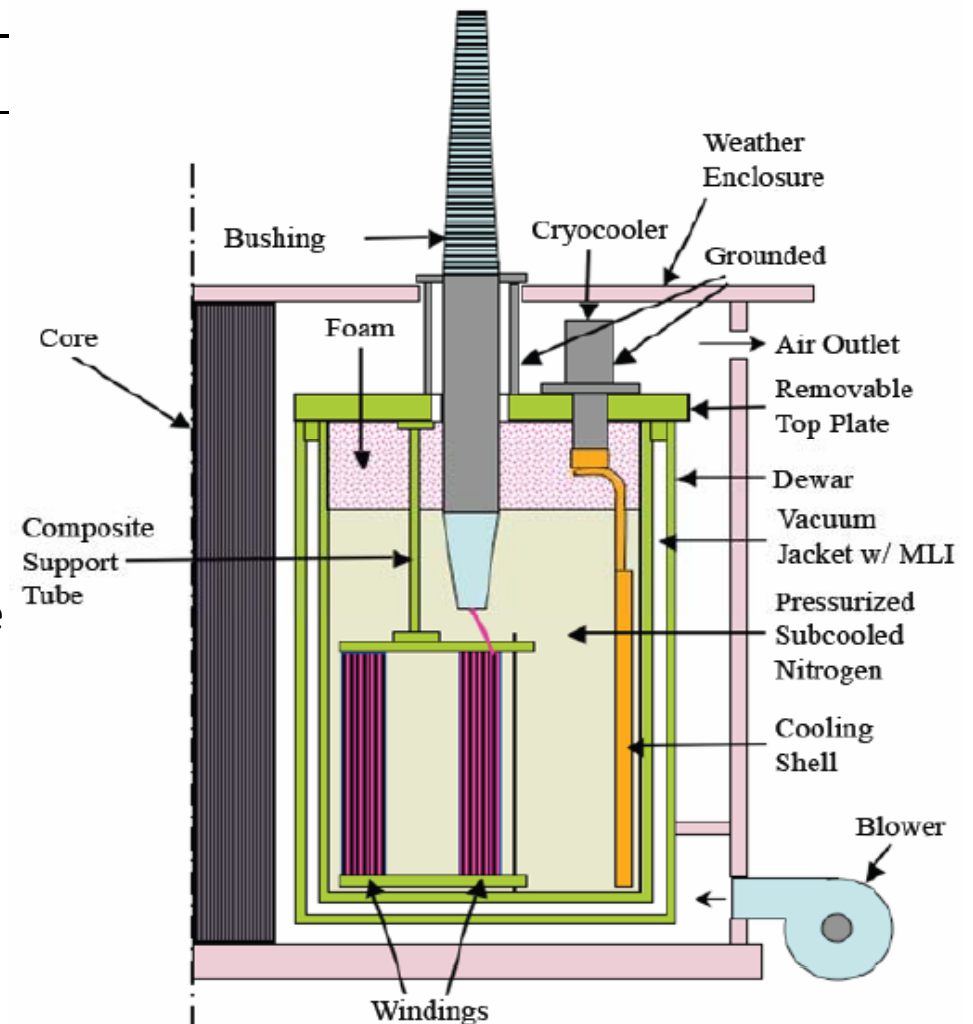
## 28 MVA, 70 kA Prototype

**Project Partners:** SuperPower, Waukesha, SCE, ORNL, U Houston

**Objective:** Develop and field test a 28 MVA HTS transformer using YBCO

Parameter	Value
Primary voltage	70.5 kV
Secondary voltage	12.47 kV
Operating Temperature	~ 70 K, press. LN <sub>2</sub> (1.1-3 bar)
Target Rating	28 MVA
Primary Connection	Delta
Secondary connection	Wye
YBCO tape length	~ 12 km of 12 mm wide tape
HV rated current	230 A
LV rated current	1296 A

Source: F. Roy, "The 28-MVA FCL Smart Grid Demo Transformer and Modeling Concerns about its Operation under Fault Conditions," 2nd International Workshop on Modeling HTS, April 11-13, 2011, Cambridge, United Kingdom.





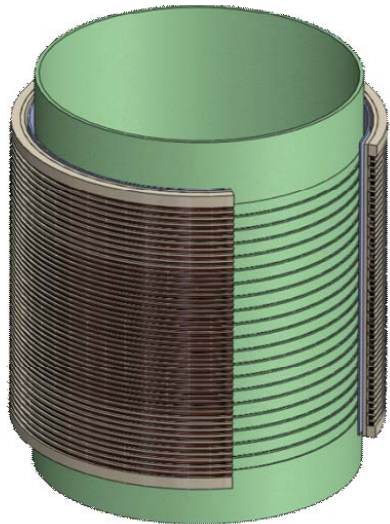
# Superconducting Transformers

## 1 MVA Technology Demonstrator

**Project Partners:** Callaghan Innovation, Wilson Transformers, General Cable

**Objective:** Develop and field test of a 1 MVA HTS Transformer with YBCO

**HV Winding**

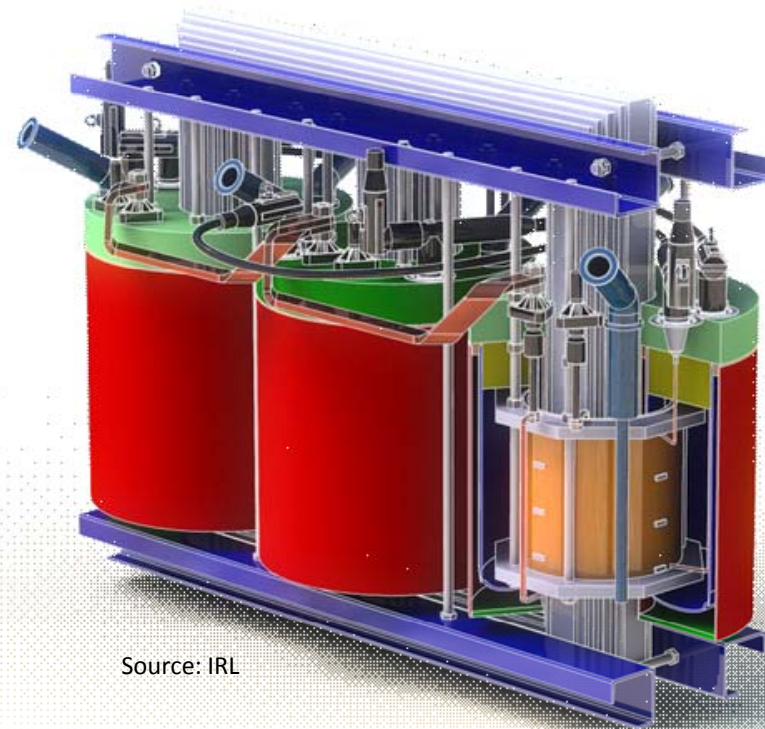


4 mm wide YBCO  
 $I/I_c \sim 25\%$   
Polyimide wrap insulation  
24 double pancakes

**LV Winding**



YBCO Roebel Cable  
 $L = 20 \text{ m}$   
15 strands  
5 mm width  
 $I_c \sim 1400 \text{ A @ } 77 \text{ K, sf}$



Source: IRL

**First HTS Roebel wire in field test!**

# Superconducting Transformers

## 400 kVA Demonstrator

**Project Partners:** Kyushu Electric Power, Kyushu University

**Objective:** Develop 20 MVA transformer using YBCO

Data of 400 kVA demonstrator tested in 2010

Parameter	Value
Primary Voltage	6.9 KV
Secondary Voltage	2.3 kV
Op. Temp.	LN <sub>2</sub> at -207° C
Target Rating	400 kVA
LV Rated Current	174 A
HV Rated Current	58 A

Source: Superconductivity WEB21, Winter 2011, January 17 2011



D=565 mm  
H=810 mm



D=738 mm  
H=2300 mm

# Superconducting Transformers at KIT

## Test experience of recovery under load after fault limitation



Data:

$$S_N = 60 \text{ kVA}$$

$$U_p = 1000 \text{ V}$$

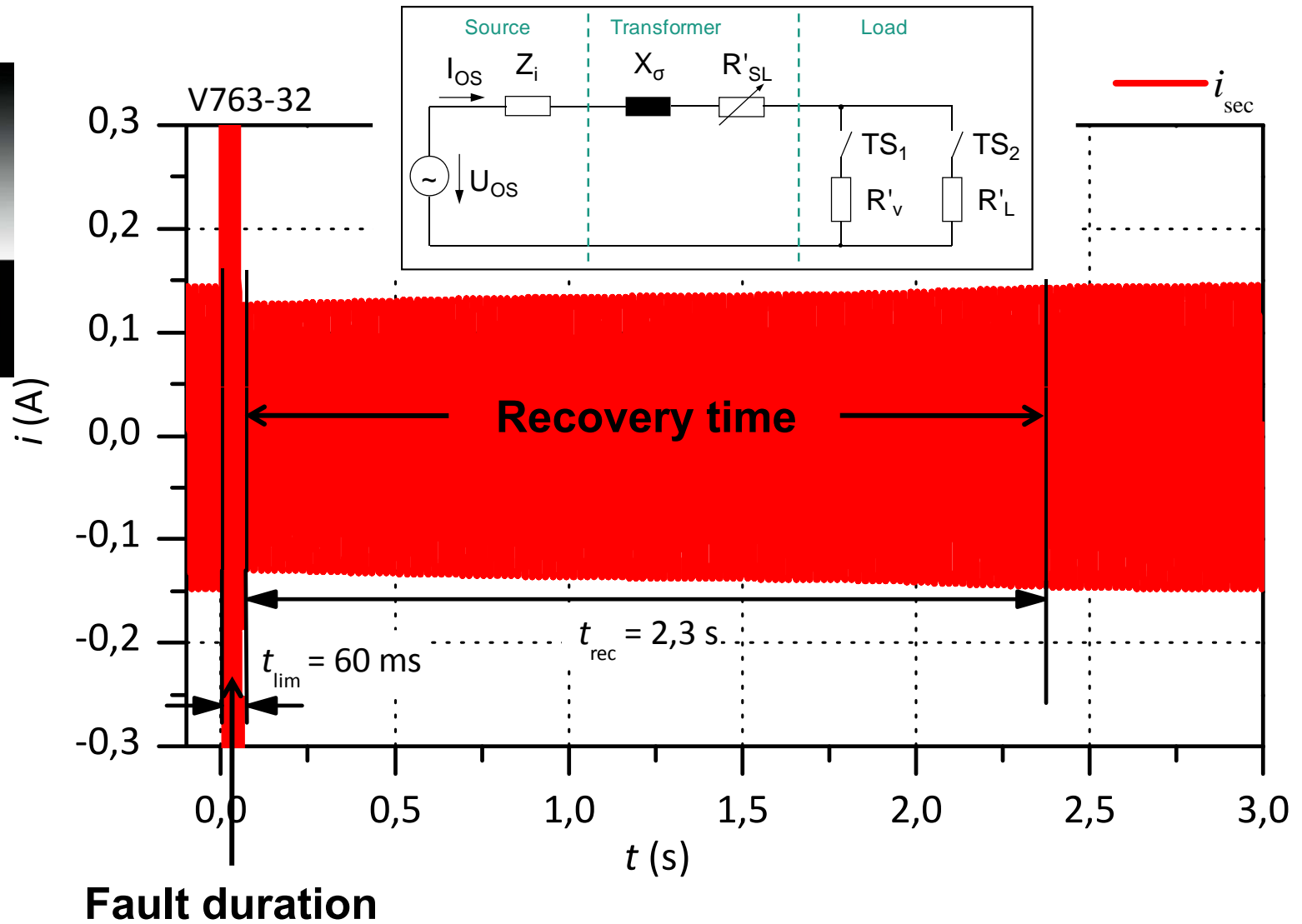
$$I_p = 60 \text{ A}$$

$$u_k = 1,58 \%$$

12 mm YBCO tape

48 m

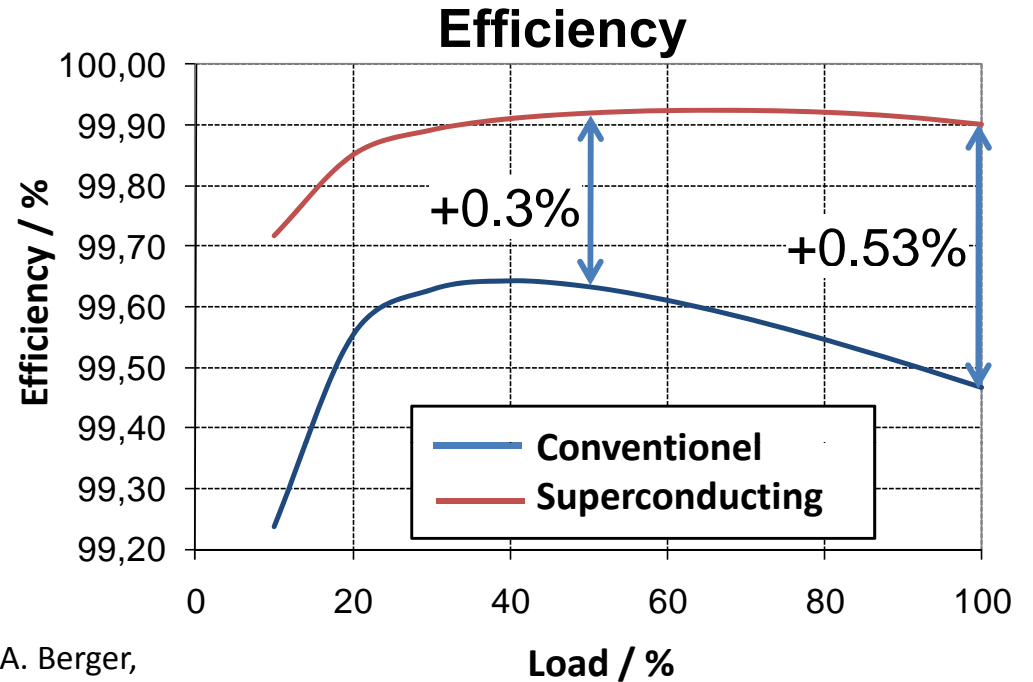
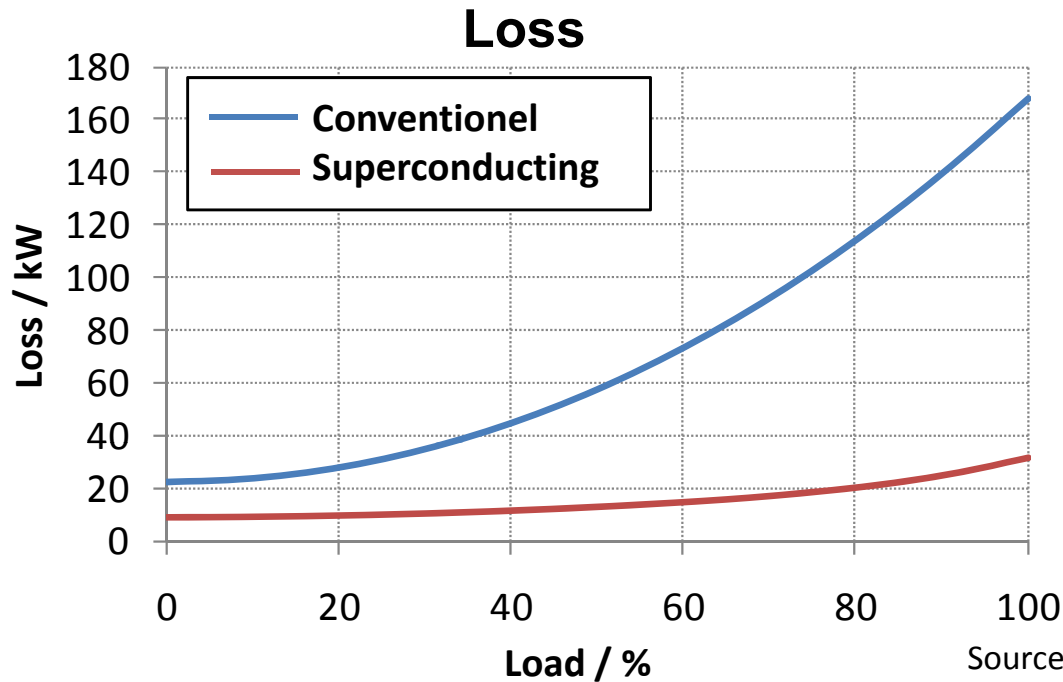
$$I_c = 272 \text{ A (77K, sf)}$$



Full recovery under nominal load was demonstrated with 2G HTS wire!

# Superconducting Transformers

## Energy Efficiency (Example 31,5 MVA Transformer)



Source: A. Berger,  
PhD Thesis to be published 2010  
KIT Scientific Publishing

### Power Transformers in Europe

Type	Number	Capacity GVA
380 kV/220kV	689	311,8
220 kV/< 220 kV	2612	336,6
380 kV/< 220 kV	791	215,6

- In 2007 the world electricity generation was 19,771 TWh<sup>1)</sup>.
- The total power loss in Europe is appr. 6.5 %.
- Appr. 40 % of the loss is caused in transformers.

From entsoe, Statistical Yearbook 2008

1) IEA key world energy statistics 2009

# High Temperature Superconductor Power Applications

## Motivation

### Conventional Power System Equipment

- Cables, Rotating Machines, Transformers

### New Power System Equipment

- Current Limiters, SMES

## Summary

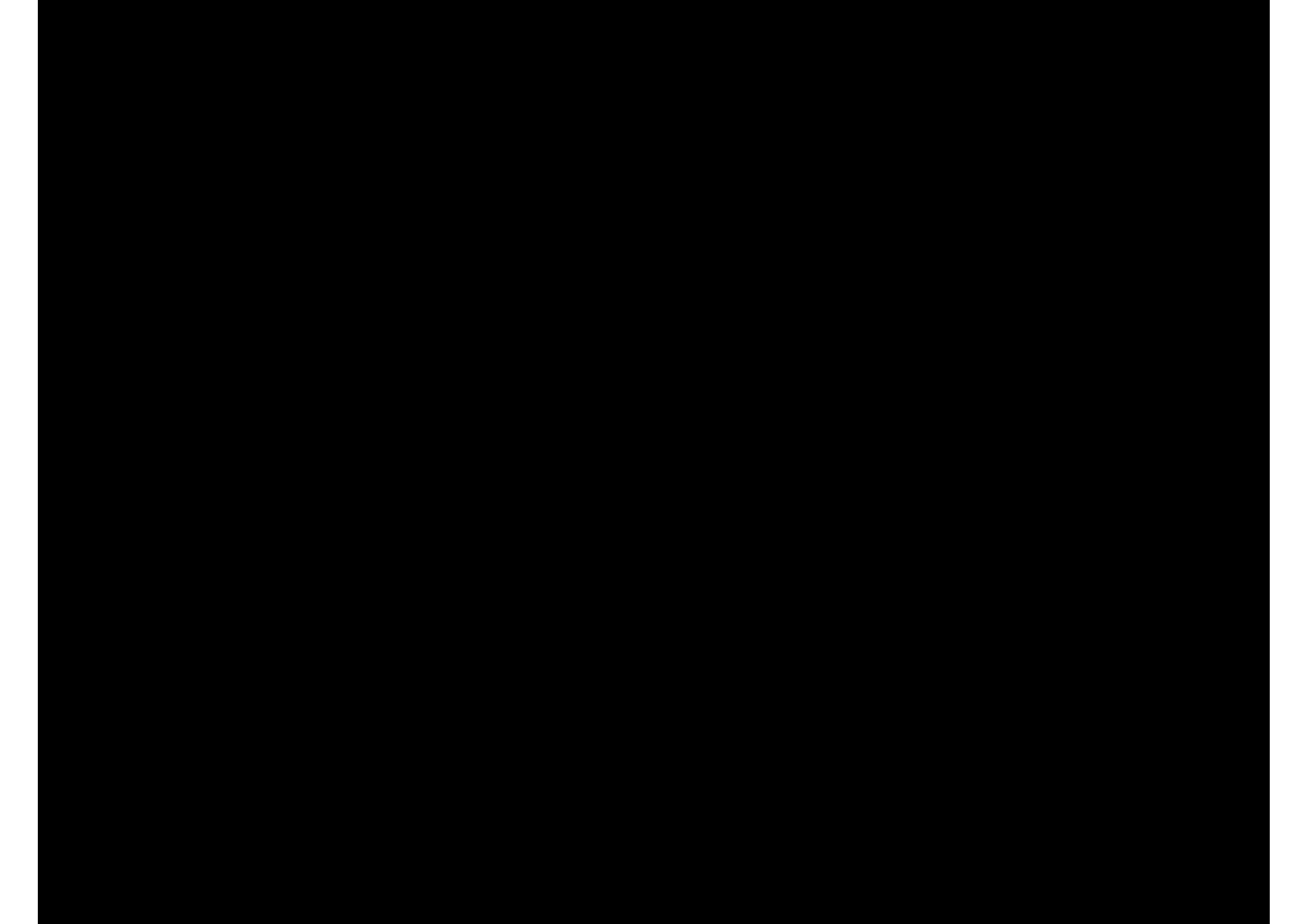


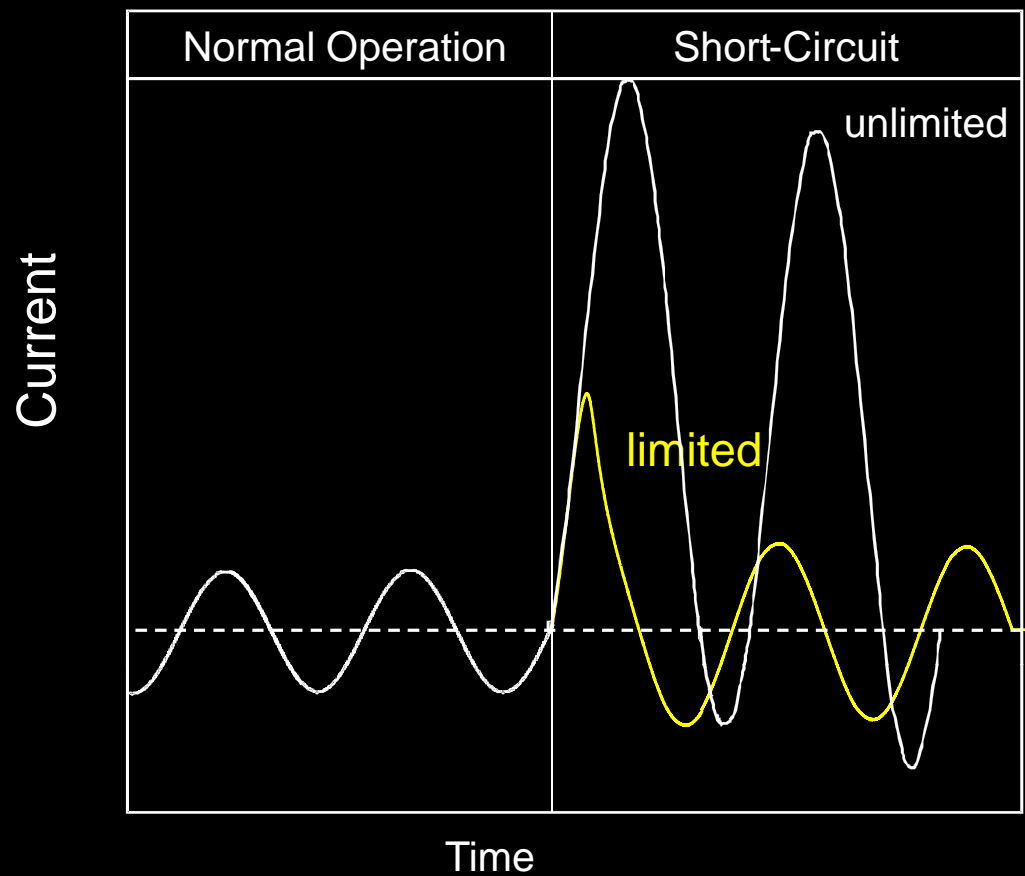
# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters



It is impossible to avoid short-circuits!

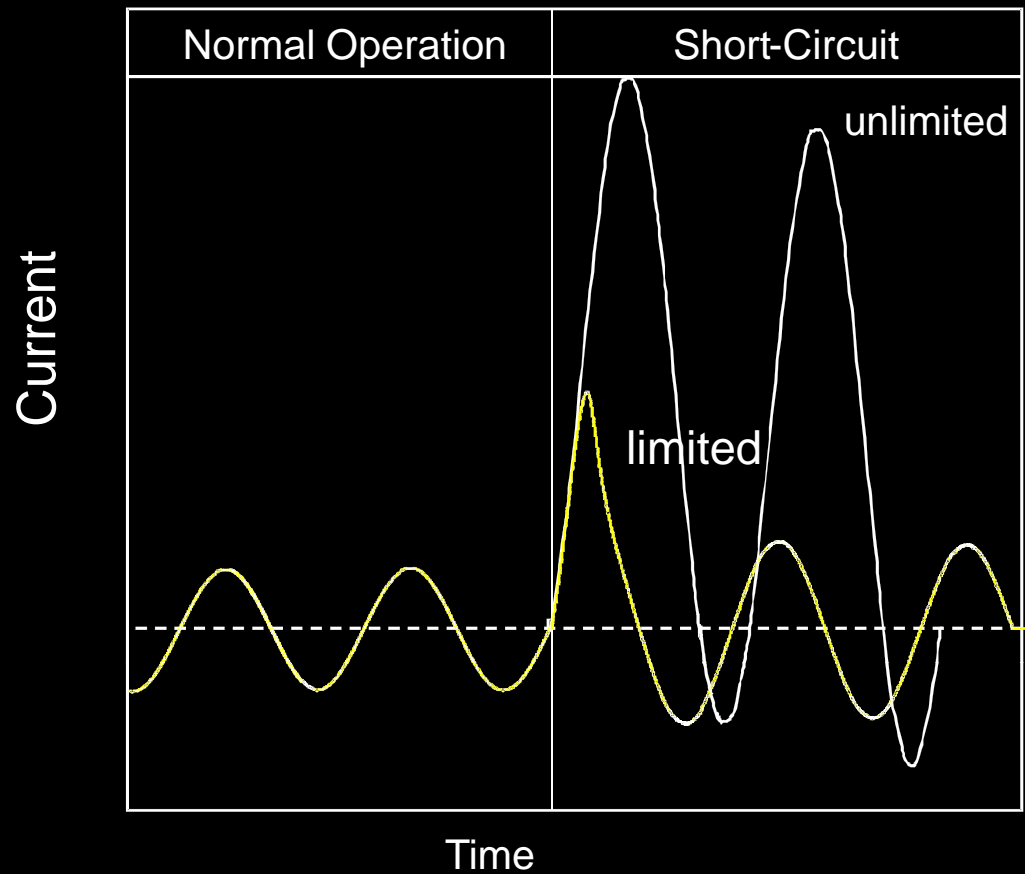






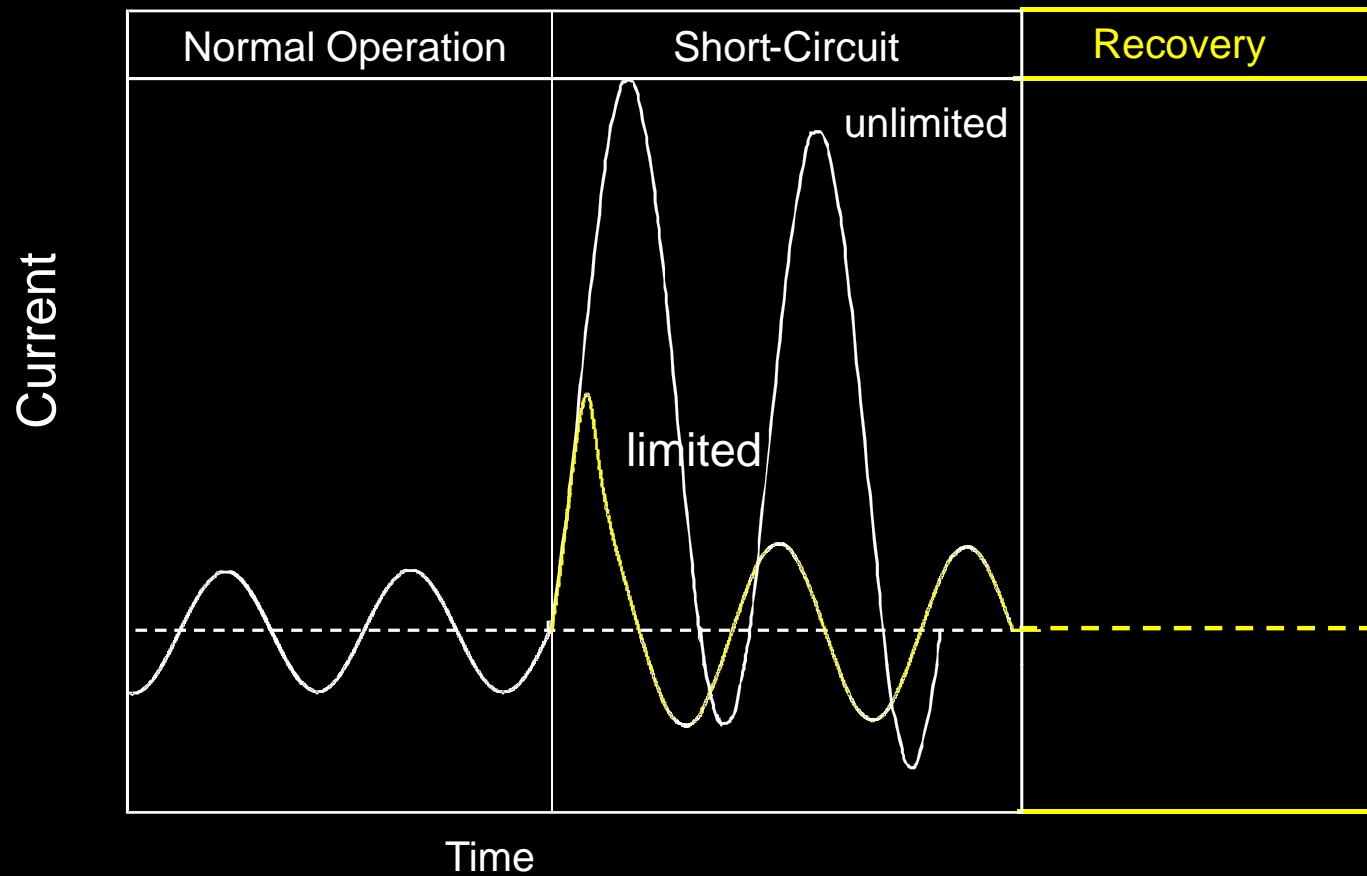
### **Ideal Fault Current Limiter**

- **Fast short-circuit limitation**
- No or small impedance at normal operation
- Fast and automatic recovery
- Fail safe
- Applicable at high voltages
- Cost effective



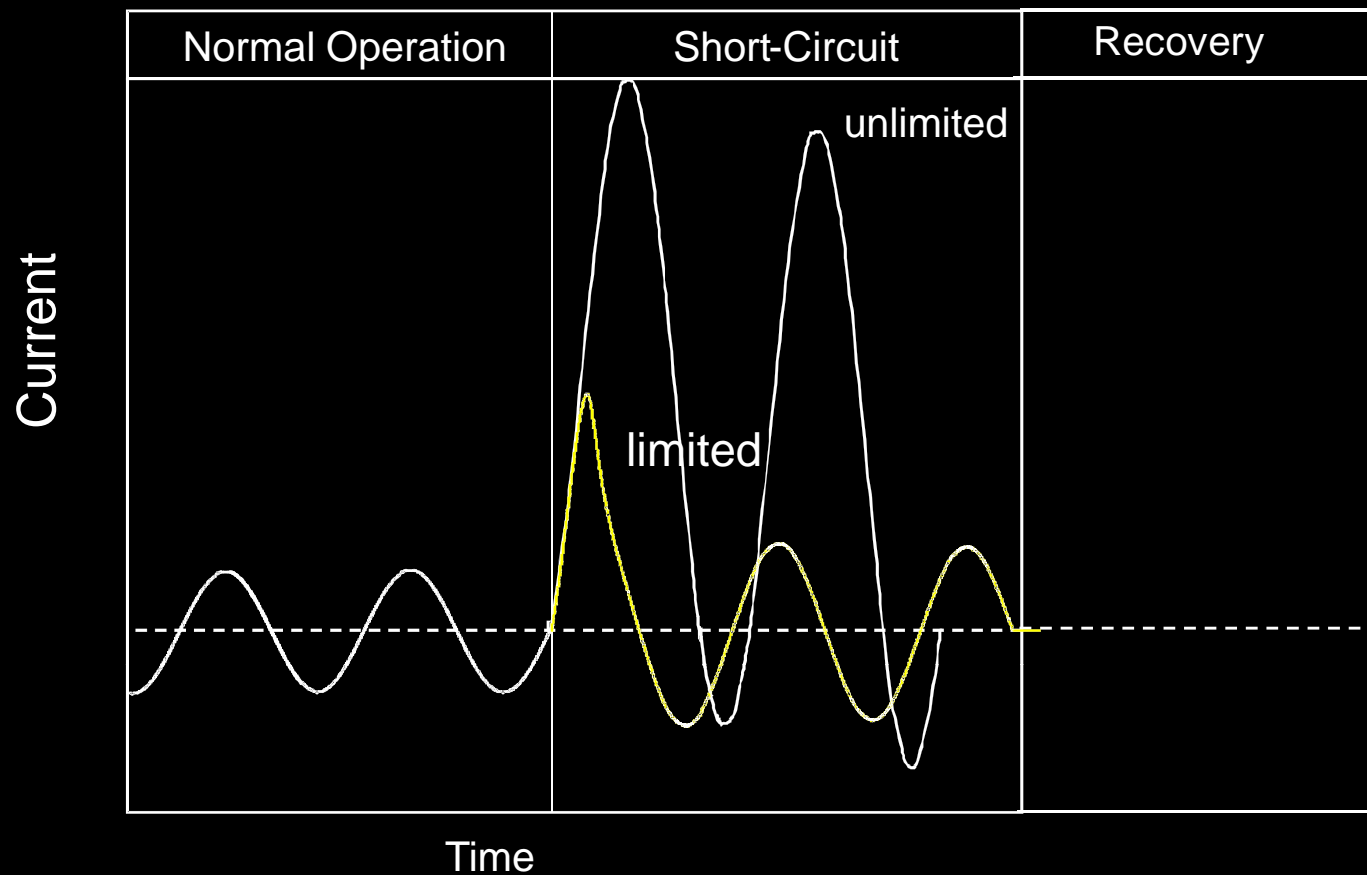
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### Ideal Fault Current Limiter

### SCFCL

- Fast short-circuit limitation ✓
- No or small impedance at normal operation ✓
- Fast and automatic recovery ✓
- Fail safe ✓
- Applicable at high voltages ✓
- Cost effective ✓

# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Economic benefits

### **Delay improvement of components and upgrade power systems**

e.g. connect new generation and do not increase short-circuit currents

e.g. couple busbars to increase renewable generation and keep voltage bandwidths

### **Lower dimensioning of components, substations and power systems**

e.g. FCL in power system auxiliary

### **Avoid purchase of power system equipment**

e.g. avoid redundant feeders by coupling power systems

### **Increase availability and reliability**

e.g. by coupling power systems

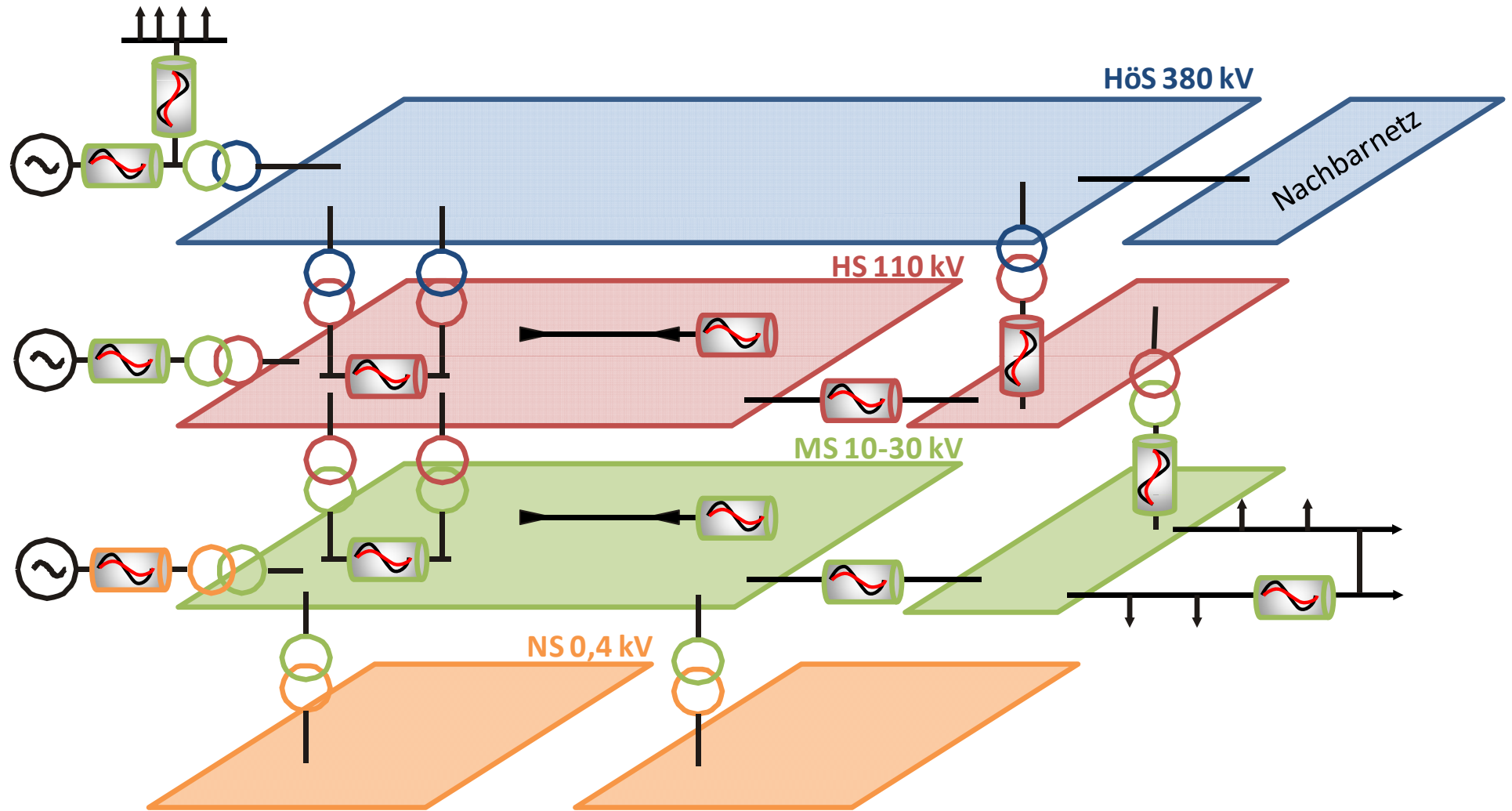
### **Reduce losses and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions**

e.g. equal load distribution with parallel transformers



# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Applications



There are many applications for SCFCLs at different voltage levels.

# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## State-of-the-Art

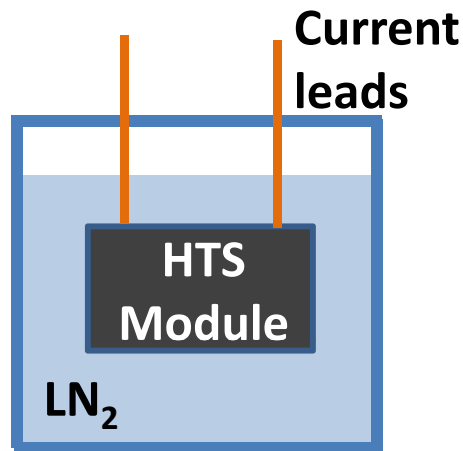
- 1) Year of test  
 2) 3-Ph. : Phase-phase voltage  
 1-Ph. : Phase-ground voltage

Lead Company	Country/Year <sup>1)</sup>	Type	Data <sup>2)</sup>	Phase	Superconductor
ACCEL/NexansSC	D / 2004	Resistive	12 kV, 600 A	3-ph.✓	Bi 2212 bulk
CAS	China / 2005	Diode bridge	10.5 kV, 1.5 kA	3-ph.✓	Bi 2223 tape
CESI RICERCA	Italy / 2005	Resistive	3.2 kV, 220 A	3-ph.	Bi 2223 tape
Siemens / AMSC	D / USA / 2007	Resistive	7.5 kV, 300 A	1-ph.	YBCO tape
LSIS	Korea / 2007	Hybrid	24 kV, 630A	3-ph.	YBCO tape
Hyundai / AMSC	Korea / 2007	Resistive	13.2 kV, 630 A	1-ph.	YBCO tape
KEPRI	Korea / 2007	Res.-hybrid	22.9 kV, 630 A	3-ph.	Bi 2212 bulk
Innower	China / 2008	DC biased iron core	35 kV, 90 MVA	3-ph.✓	Bi 2223 tape
Toshiba	Japan / 2008	Resistive	6.6 kV, 72 A	3-ph.✓	YBCO tape
Nexans SC	D / 2009	Resistive	12 kV, 100 A	3-ph.✓	Bi 2212 bulk
Zenergy Power	USA / 2009	DC biased iron core	12 kV, 1.2 kA	3-ph.✓	Bi 2223 tape
Zenergy Power	USA / 2010	DC biased iron core	12 kV, 1.2 kA	3-ph.✓	Bi 2223 tape
Nexans SC	D / 2009	Resistive	12 kV, 800 A	3-ph.✓	Bi 2212 bulk
Nexans SC	D / 2011	Resistive	12 kV, 800 A	3-ph.✓	YBCO tape
Innower	China / 2010	DC biased iron core	220 kV,300 MVA	3-ph.✓	Bi 2223 tape
ERSE	I / 2010	Resistive	9 kV, 250 A	3-ph.✓	Bi 2223 tape
ERSE	I / 2010	Resistive	9 kV, 1 kA	3-ph.✓	YBCO tape
KEPRI	Korea / 2010	Resistive	22.9 kV, 3 kA	3-ph.✓	YBCO tape
AMSC / Siemens	USA / D / 2012	Resistive	66 kV, 1.2 kA	1-ph.	YBCO tape
Innower	China / 2012	DC biased iron core	220 kV, 800 A	3-ph. ✓	Bi 2223 tape
Nexans SC	EU / 2012	Resistive	24 kV, 1005 A	3-ph. ✓	YBCO tape

# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Different types

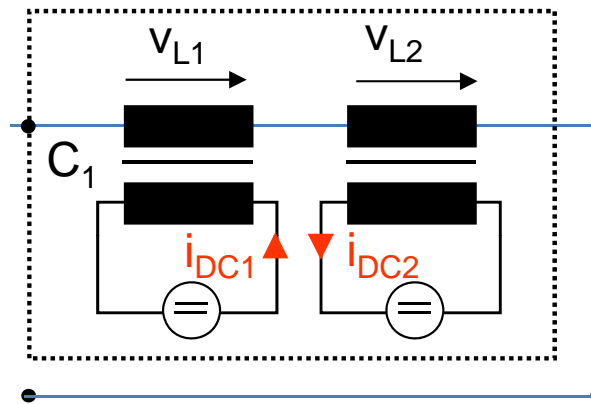
### Resistive type



### Cryostat

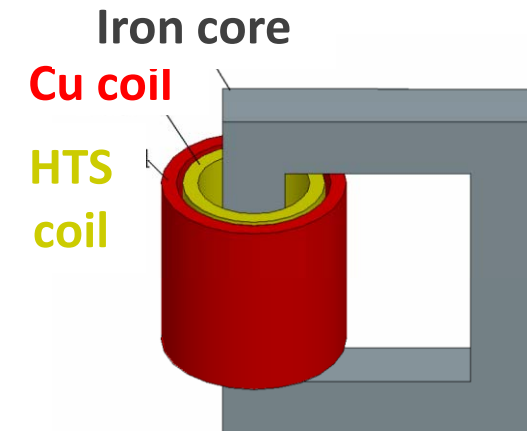
- ☺ Simple concept
- ☺ fail safe
- ☺ compact, low weight
- ☹ Current leads to low temp.

### DC biased iron core „saturated iron core“



- ☺ no SC quench
- ☺ immediate recovery
- ☺ adjustable trigger current
- ☹ High volume and weight
- ☹ High impedance at normal op.

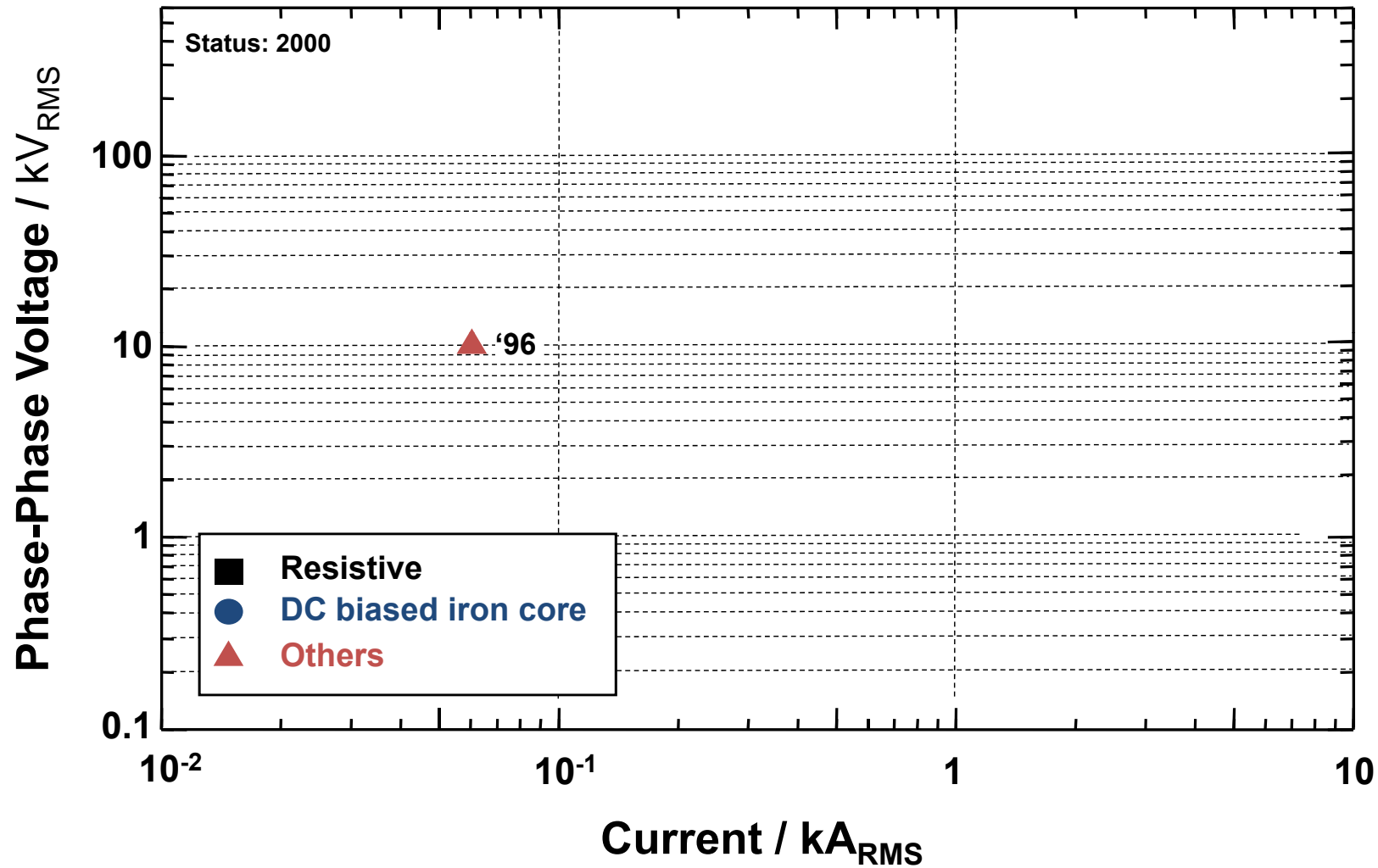
### Shielded iron core „Inductive“



- ☺ No current leads to low temp.
- ☺ Fail safe
- ☹ High volume
- ☹ High weight

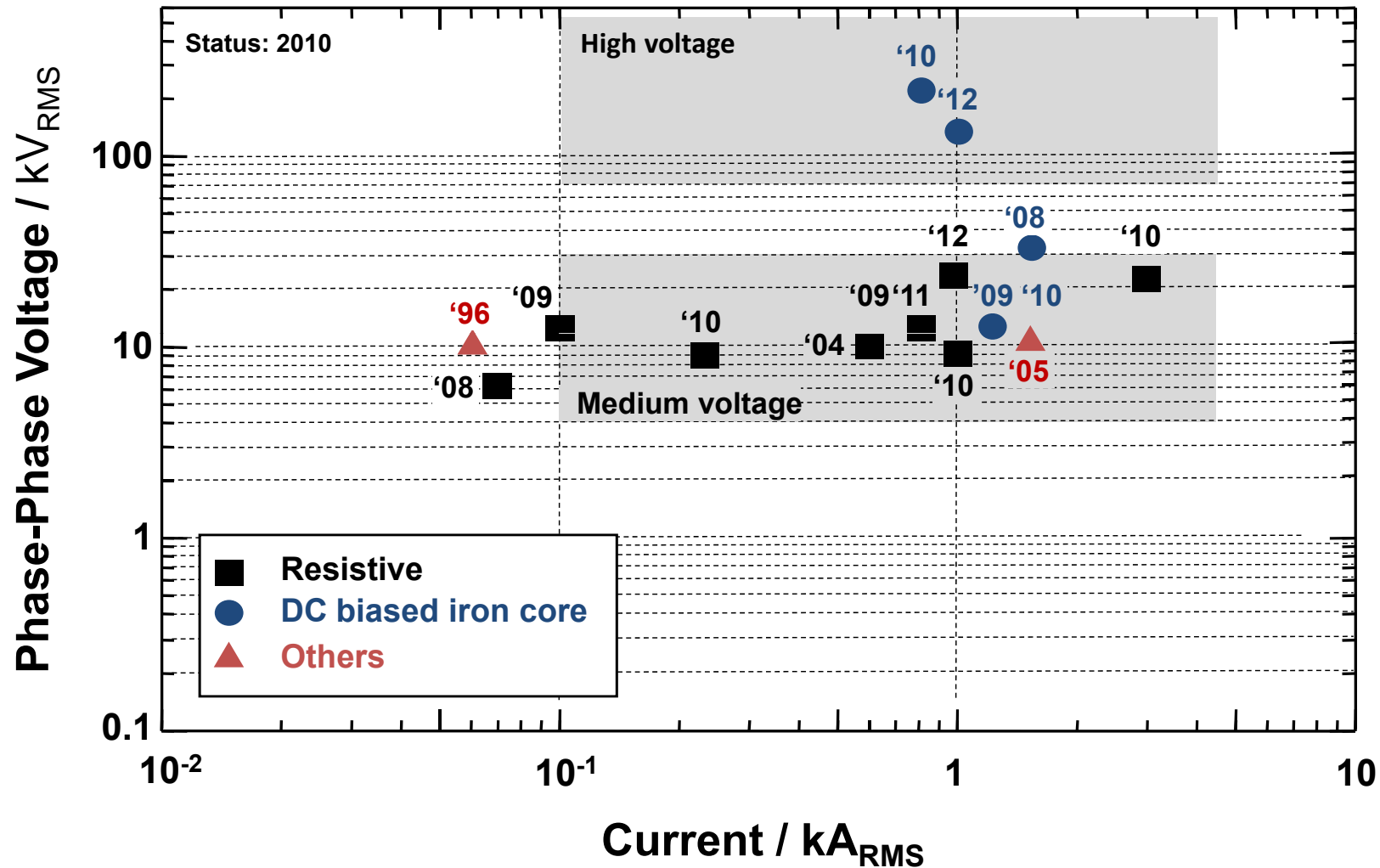
# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Successful SCFCL Field Tests until 2000



# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Successful and planned SCFCL Field Tests - Status 2010

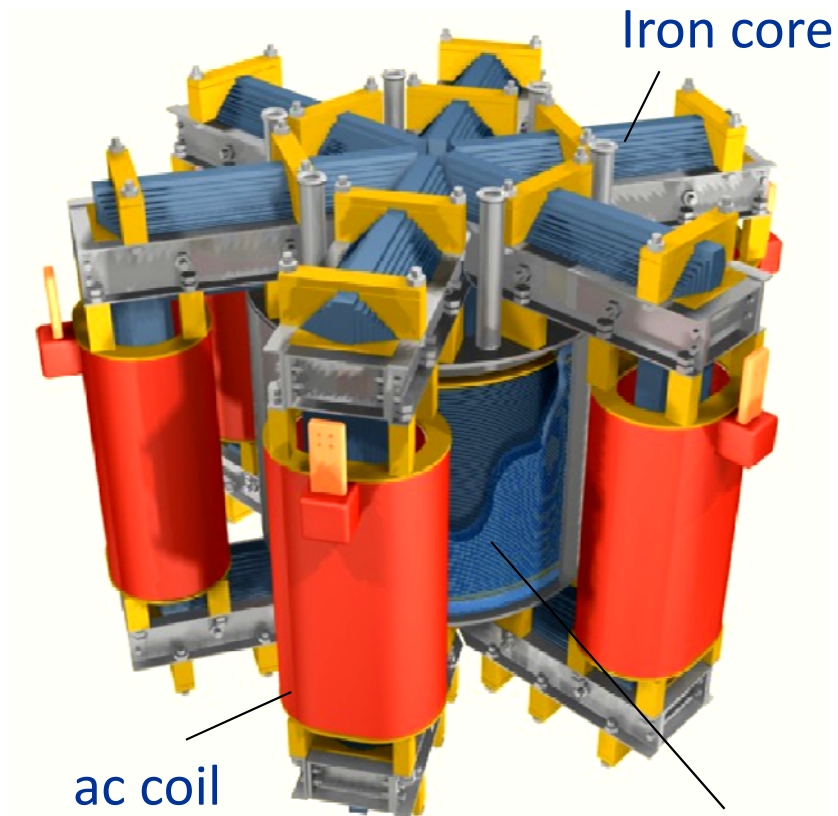


A considerable number of SCFCLs field tests have been performed within the last years.

# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## 220 kV, 800 A DC biased iron core

Loose coupling, hexagonal



Dewar with dc coil



In grid operation since 2012

A design and manufacturing for a 500 kV prototype is ongoing.



# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Resistive Type SCFCL Nexans

Commercial Projects

Bi 2212 bulk



12 kV, 100 A  
Bi 2212 bulk



10/2009

12 kV, 800 A  
Bi 2212 bulk



11/2009

12 kV, 400 A  
Bi 2212 bulk



2011

YBCO tapes



10 kV, 600 A  
YBCO tapes



10/2011

20 kV, 1 kA  
YBCO tapes

[www.eccoflow.org](http://www.eccoflow.org)



2012

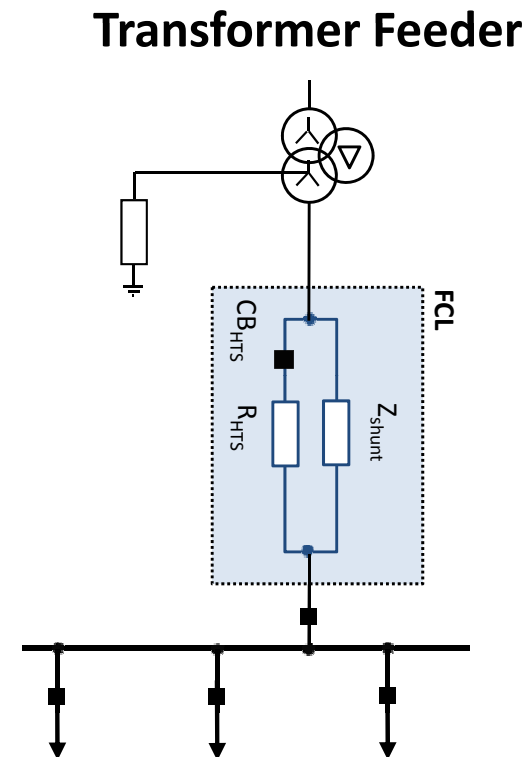
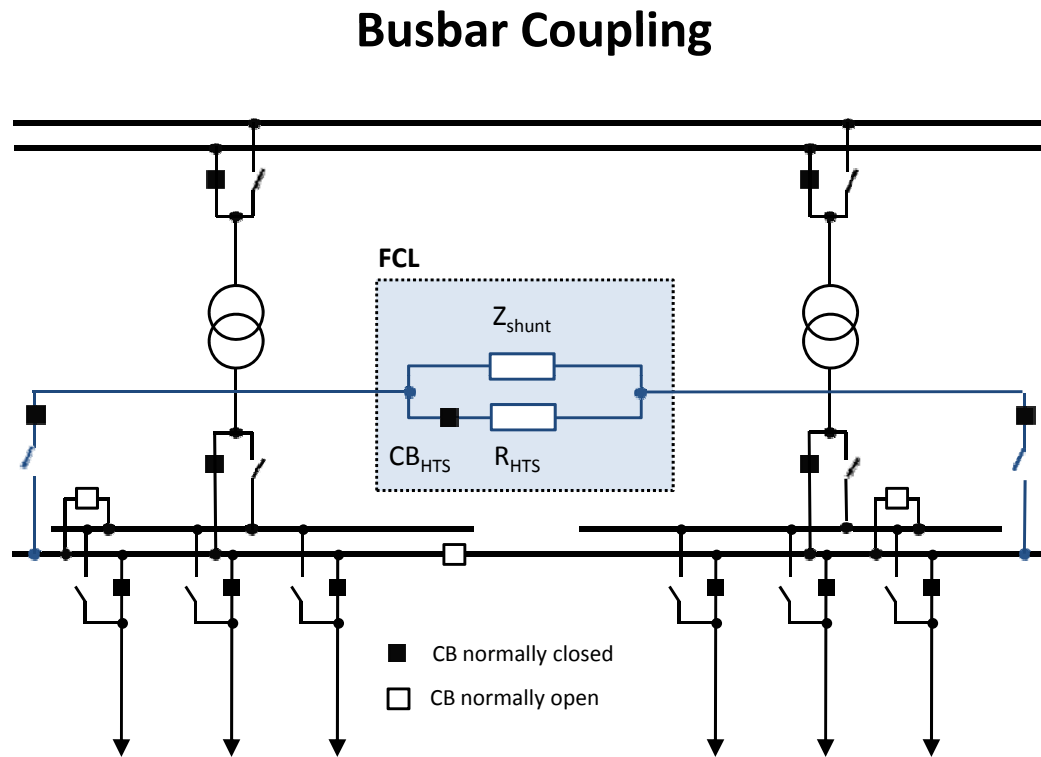
10 kV, 2.3 kA  
YBCO tapes



2013

# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Application Example (FP7 Project Eccoflow: [www.eccoflow.org](http://www.eccoflow.org))



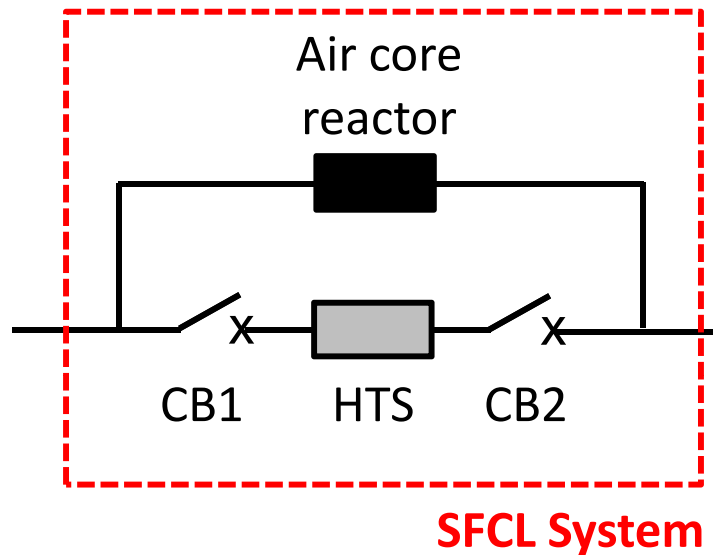
### Unique features of Eccoflow (1005A,24kV):

- One resistive SCFCL design fits two different applications
- Two field tests with the same FCL will be performed in different applications
- Five utilities participate in this project
- A permanent installation is planned



# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Application Example (FP7 Project Eccoflow: [www.eccoflow.org](http://www.eccoflow.org))



### Arrangement

- Container with HTS-SFCL
- Standard MV Switchgear
- Air core reactors

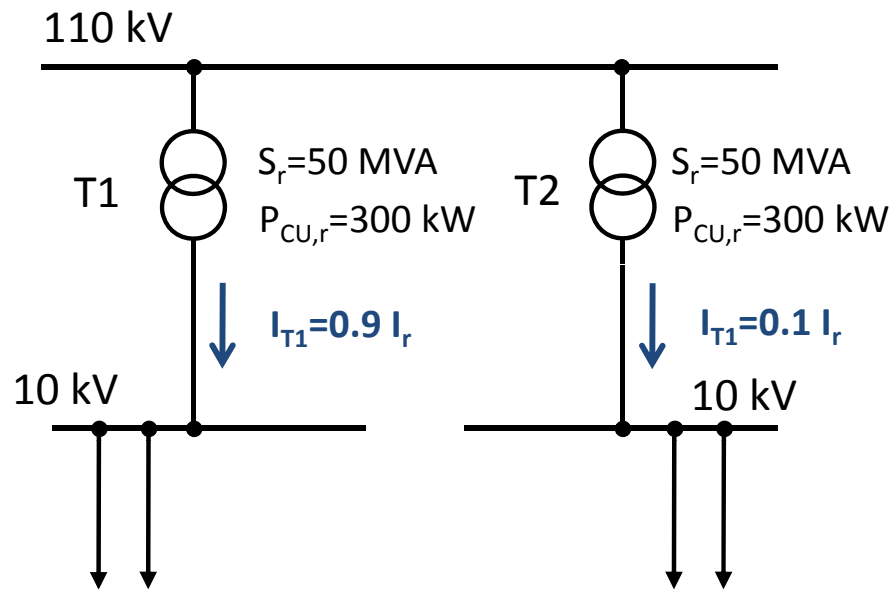
First Field Installation in early 2013 at Endesa Grid in Majorca

Source: J. Schramm et. al. „Design and Production of the ECCOFLOW resistive Superconducting Fault Current Limiter“, ASC Conference 2012, Portland USA

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# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Impact of Energy Efficiency of SCFCLs



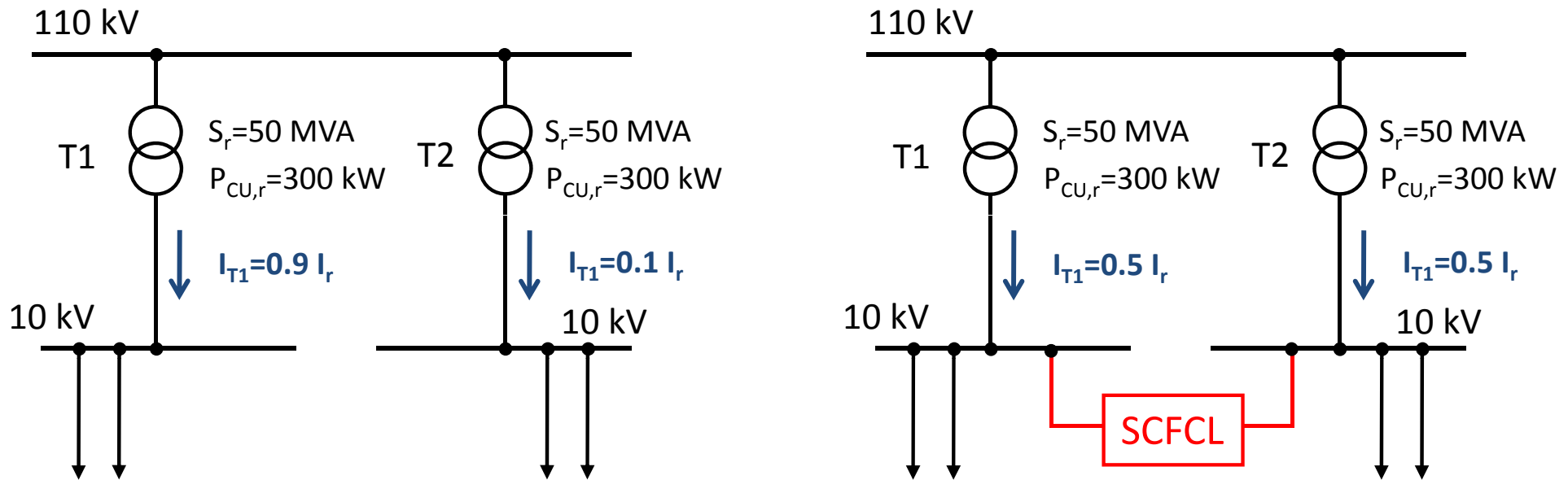
Type	Without SCFCL
Loss T1	243 kW
Loss T2	3 kW
Total Loss	246 kW
Energy loss /a	2154 MWh
CO <sub>2</sub> emission <sup>1)</sup> /a	1120.6 to

Source: Karl-Heinz Hartung, CIGRE WG A3.23

1) 1 kWh=520 g CO<sub>2</sub> (actual German Energy Mix)

# Superconducting Fault Current Limiters

## Impact of Energy Efficiency of SCFCLs



Type	Without SCFCL	With SCFCL	Difference
Loss T1	243 kW	75 kW	- 168 kW
Loss T2	3 kW	75 kW	+72 kW
Total Loss	246 kW	150 kW	- 96 kW
Energy loss /a	2154 MWh	1314 MWh	- 840 MWh
CO <sub>2</sub> emission <sup>1)</sup> /a	1120.6 to	683.2 to	- 437.4 to

1) 1 kWh=520 g CO<sub>2</sub> (actual German Energy Mix)

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Energy efficiency of SCFCLs has to be investigated on a case to case basis.

# High Temperature Superconductor Power Applications

## Motivation

### Conventional Power System Equipment

- Cables, Rotating Machines, Transformers

### New Power System Equipment

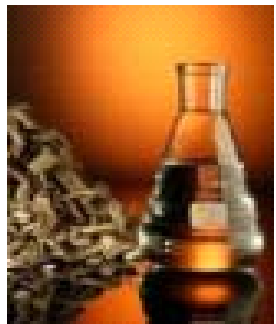
- Current Limiters, SMES

## Summary



# Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage

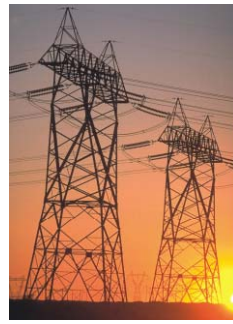
## Motivation



Fuel



Generation



Transmission



Distribution



Customer/Load



Large scale

Energy Storage

Small scale

Store  
Renewables

Load  
Balance

Higher  
Utilization

Stability

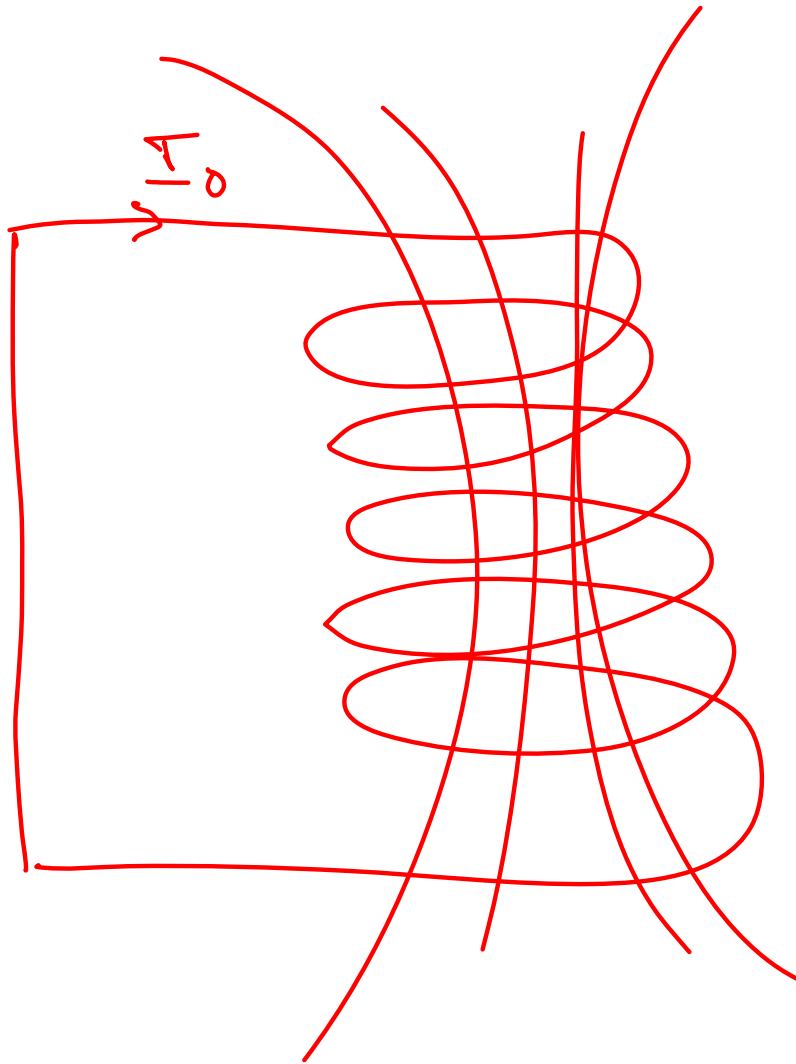
Power  
Quality

Benefits

# Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage Benefits

- Short reaction time (ms)
- Fast charge and discharge
- 0-100 % charging possible
- Independent supply of active and reactive power
- High efficiency
- No degradation
- Environmentally friendly

# Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage Concept



Stored Energy

$$Q = \frac{1}{2} L I^2$$

Power

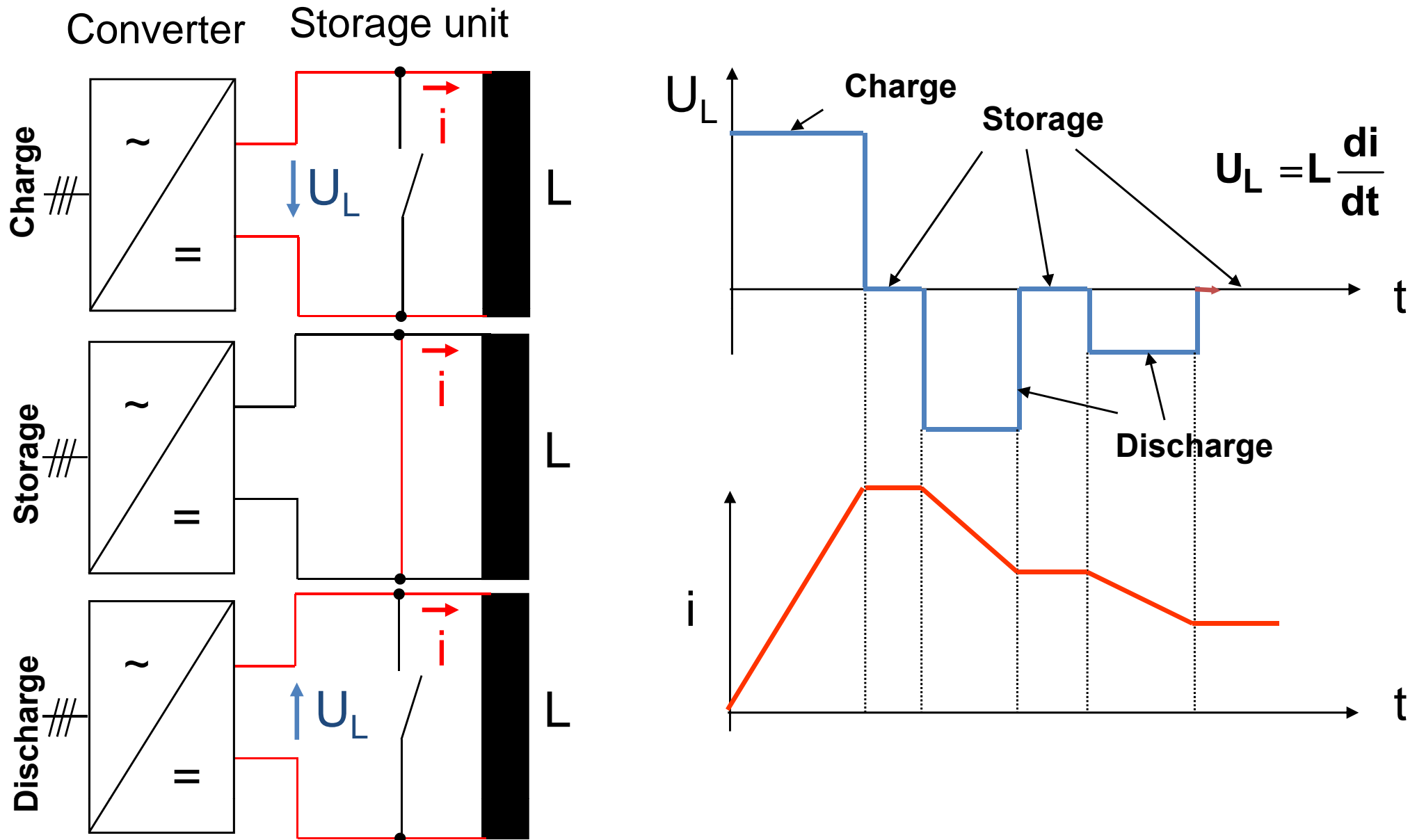
$$P = U_L I$$

SMES Energy density

$$\frac{Q_{\max}}{V} = \frac{B^2}{2 \mu_0}$$

$$5 T = 2,7 \frac{QWh}{m^3}$$

# Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage Concept



# Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage

## State-of-the-Art

Lead Institution	Country	Year	Data	Super-conductor	Application
KIT	D	1997	320 kVA, 203 kJ	NbTi	Flicker compensation
AMSC	USA		2 MW, 2,6 MJ	NbTi	Grid stability
KIT	D	2004	25 MW, 237 kJ	NbTi	Power modulator
Chubu	J	2004	5 MVA, 5 MJ	NbTi	Voltage stability
Chubu	J	2004	1 MVA, 1 MJ	Bi 2212	Voltage stability
KERI	Korea	2005	750 kVA, 3 MJ	NbTi	Power quality
Ansaldo	I	2005	1 MVA, 1 MJ	NbTi	Voltage stability
Chubu	J	2007	10 MVA, 19 MJ	NbTi	Load compensation
CAS	China	2007	0,5 MVA, 1 MJ	Bi 2223	-
KERI	Korea	2007	600 kJ	Bi 2223	Power-, Voltage quality
CNRS	F	2008	800 kJ	Bi 2212	Military application
KERI	Korea	2011	2.5 MJ	YBCO	Power quality
BNL	USA	2013	3 MJ	YBCO	Grid storage

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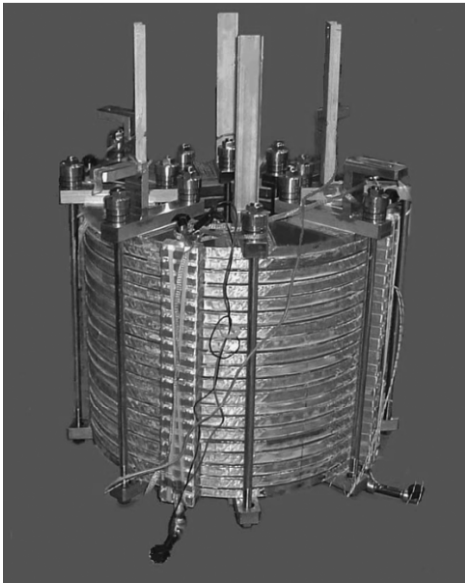
## State-of-the-Art of HTS SMES Development

Chubu, Japan  
Bridging voltage dips

KERI, Korea  
Power quality

CNRS, France  
Military application

Figure: Chubu Electric



1 MJ , 1 MW  
Bi 2212 tape  
500 A,  
5 K conduction cooled  
Voltage: 2.5 kV

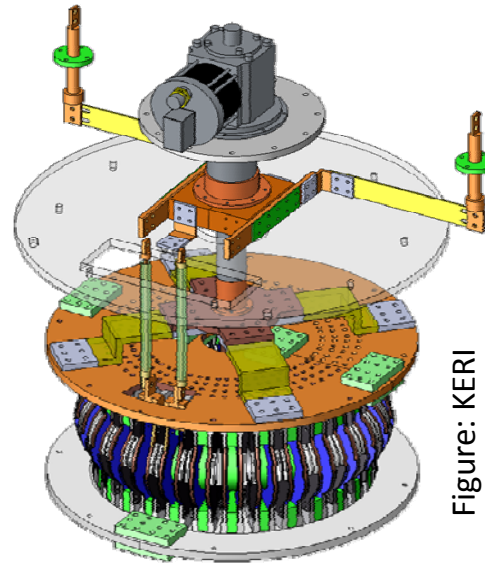


Figure: KERI

2.5 MJ  
YBCO tape, 22 km  
550 A  
20 K conduction cooled  
 $B_{maxII}$  6.24 T  
Test in 2011



Figure: CNRS

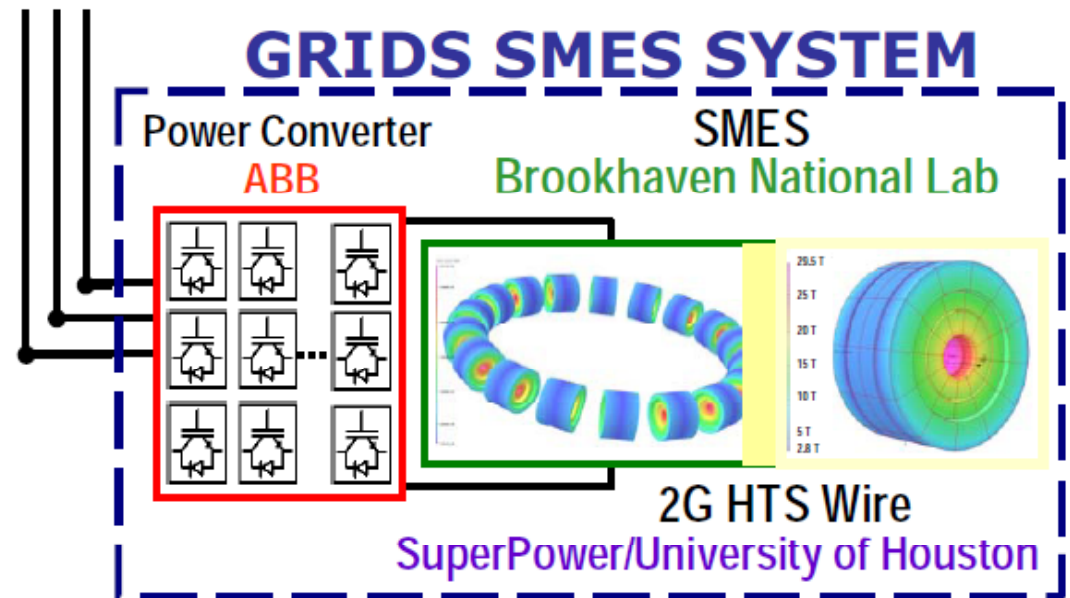
814 kJ  
Bi 2212 tape  
315 A  
20 K conduction cooled  
Diameter : 300/814 mm  
Height: 222 mm

# Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage 25 T, 20 kW, 3 MJ HTS prototype (2010-2013)

**Project Partners:** SuperPower, ABB, Brookhaven National Lab., U Houston

**Objective:** Develop and field test a HTS SMES for integrating renewables

Parameter	Value
Energy storage	3 MJ
Power	20 kW
Magnetic field	25 T
Superconductor	YBCO tape
Wire length	7 km
Tape width	12 mm
Minimum $I_c$	600 A

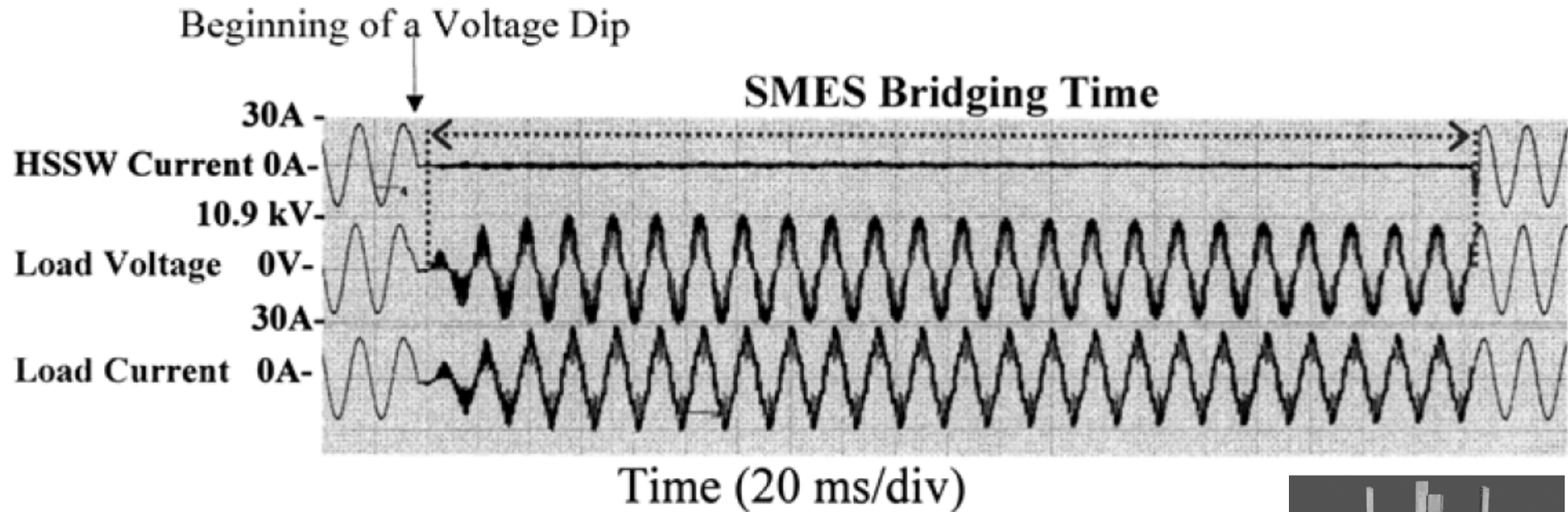


Source: Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage (SMES) Systems for GRIDS  
Qiang Li, Drew W. Hazelton, Venkat Selvamanickam, Presented by Traute Lehner,  
Tenth EPRI Superconductivity Conference, Tallahassee, FL, Oct. 12, 2011



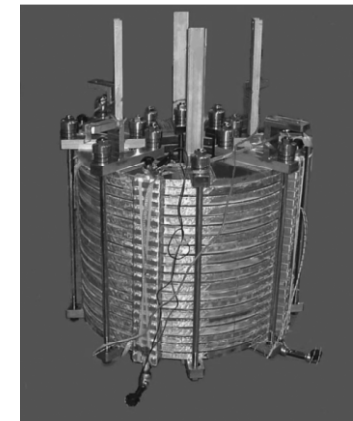
# Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage

## Test Experience of HTS SMES for bridging instantaneous voltage dips



Source: IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON APPLIED SUPERCONDUCTIVITY, VOL. 15, NO. 2, JUNE 2005 1931

Development of MVA Class HTS SMES System for Bridging Instantaneous Voltage Dips  
Koji Shikimachi, Hiromi Moriguchi, Naoki Hirano, Shigeo Nagaya, Toshinobu Ito, Junji Inagaki, Satoshi Hanai, Masahiko Takahashi, and Tsutomu Kurusu



SMES have demonstrated their technical feasibility many times.

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## Summary

# Conclusions

- HTS cables and SCFCL are very close to commercialization.
- HTS transformers, SMES and rotating machines will enter the market in the next decade.

## HTS Material Research Directions for Power Applications

- Higher production (Today a few 100 km/a for 2G)
- Lower cost (Less than 10 €/kA m)
- Stability of 2G wire
- Higher critical currents in low and high magnetic fields

# Status of HTS Power Applications

