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# Modeling quenches

## A Review of the tools

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With great help from many:

Giorgio Ambrosio, Bernhard Auchmann, Philippe Fazilleau, Massimo Sorbi,  
Heng Pan, Lidia Rossi, Tiina Salmi...

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# Introduction

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A review of several codes. For each code:

- **Code “ID”**
  - Overview
  - Programming
  - Validation
  - Distribution / Availability
  - Some users
  - Some references
  
- **Brief description**



# Non exhaustive list of codes

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**We can distinguish 2 kinds of codes:**

- **Highly specialized “quench protection” codes**
    - QuenchPro
    - QLASA
    - ROXIE
    - Cobham Vector Field Quench Analysis program
  - **More general codes applied to quench protection:**
    - FEM codes: ANSYS, CAST3M
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# QuenchPro ID

## Overview

Adiabatic model

Calculation of the hot spot temperature and current decay

## Programming

Mathcad 7 spreadsheet developed by Pierre Bauer

## Validation

LQ and comparison with QLASA

## Availability

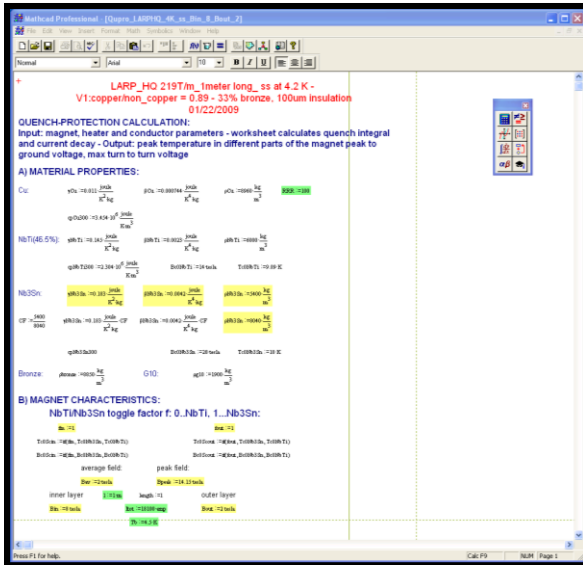
Available upon request to the owner (Pierre Bauer or Giorgio Ambrosio)

## Some users

Giorgio Ambrosio (FNAL), Helene Felice (LBL)

## Some References

P. Bauer et al., FNAL TD-00-027, FNAL TD note TD-01-003 and 4  
Lidia Rossi, FNAL TD-12-11



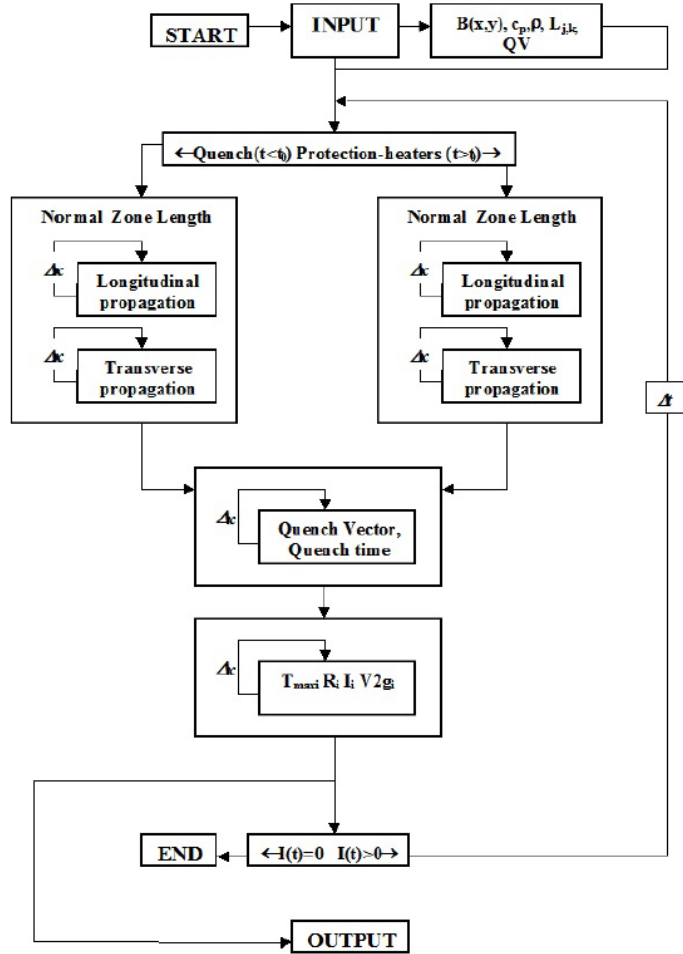
QuenchPro  
developed at  
FNAL by P. Bauer

# QuenchPro - Principle

## Part 1:

### • Input

- Definition of the magnet in a series of 16 sub-coils
- Magnet Operational Parameters: field, bath temperature
- Preliminary calculations of the material properties
- Definition of the protection system
  - Value of the dump
  - PH: coverage, delay...
  - Detection time



### • Normal zone propagation Routine – for each time step

- Calculation of the resistance
- Current decay: exponential
- Temperature: computed based on the MIITs accumulation at  $t_i$

Flowchart from Lidia Rossi thesis – TD-12-11



# QuenchPro – Principle(II)

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## Part 2:

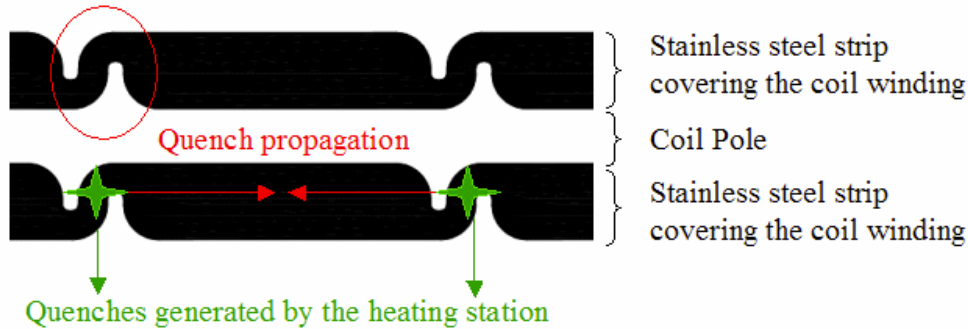
- Voltage computation
- Definition of each turn coordinates to allow the calculation of the turn to turn inductance => inductance matrix
- Calculation of the turn to turn voltage and turn to ground voltage

## Some Limitations

- Absence of user manual
- Various versions modified by various people
- No quench-back effect

## Implementation of heating stations (Tiina Salmi's talk)

Heating station



Example of LARP Long Quad (LQ)

- Normal zone growth account for quench propagation from heating stations

## Implementation of the differential inductance

- Initially constant in the original QuenchPro
- "If" loop to introduce  $L(I)$

# QLASA - ID

## Overview

Quench code developed at **LASA**

Adiabatic assumption for hot spot temperature

Initially intended for superconducting solenoids and inductively coupled elements

No quench-back effects

## Programming

Fortran 77

## Availability

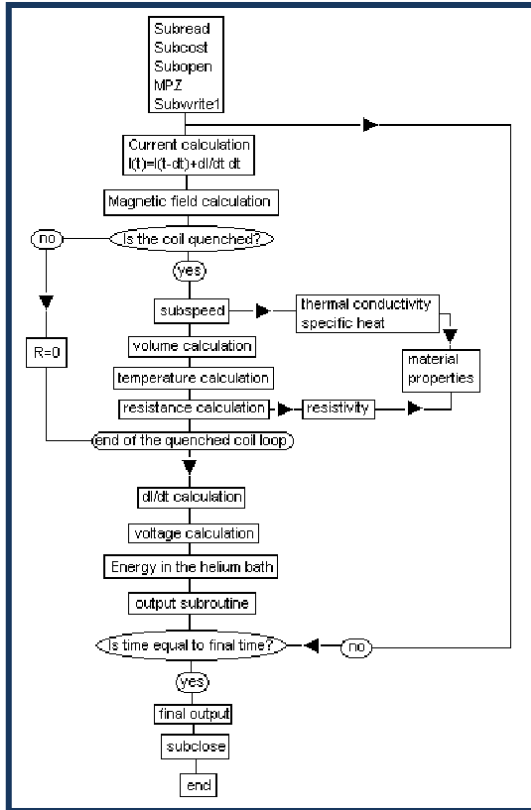
Available upon request to the owner (QLASA)

## Some users

Massimo Sorbi (INFN – LASA)

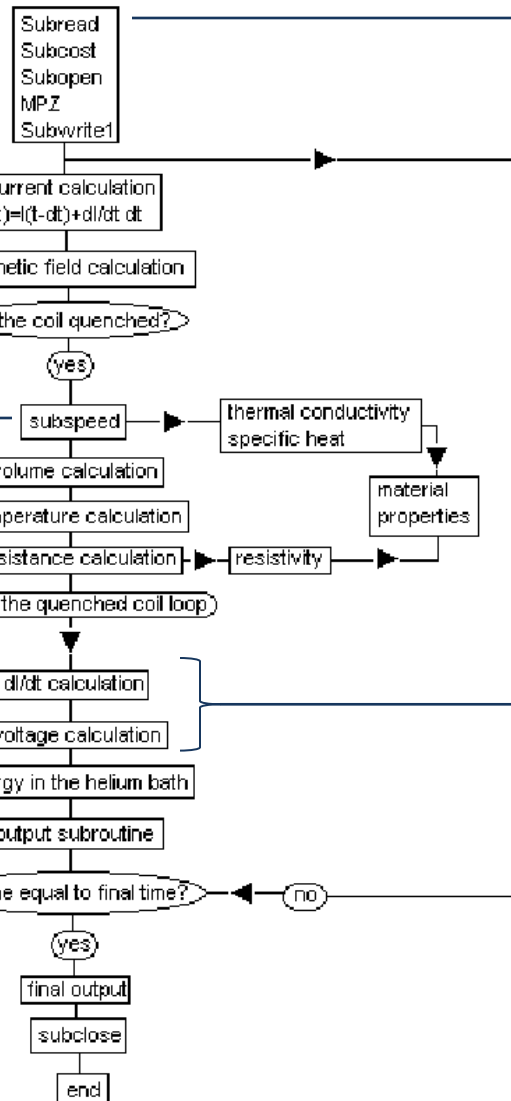
## Some References

L. Rossi, M. Sorbi, INFN/TC-04/13





# QLASA - Principle



→ Reads the input data

- Geometry
- Time steps
- Vtaps location
- Self an Mutual inductance
- Cable components
- ...

Current computation ←

B computation ←

Propagation velocity  
computation ←

Resistance and  
Temperature ←

→ Current decay  
Voltage:

- Driven Mode: Accounting for change of mode of the power supply (from current mode to voltage mode)
- Persistent mode available

Flowchart from INFN/TC-04/13



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# QLASA Material properties: MATPRO

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Lucio Rossi and Massimo Sorbi, “ MATPRO : A Computer Library Of Material Property At Cryogenic Temperature”, CARE-Note-05-018-HHH

*Fortran 77* computer library providing some electrical and thermal properties of the most common materials used for the construction of superconducting magnets. The physical properties dealt by the code are:

1. Density.
2. Specific heat.
3. Electrical resistivity
4. Thermal conductivity.

# ROXIE Quench Module ID

## Overview

Solve the heat equation by FEM

## Programming

Developed by Nikolai Schwerg and Bernhard Auchmann

## Validation

TQ, 11 T dipole

Availability From CERN with the ROXIE license

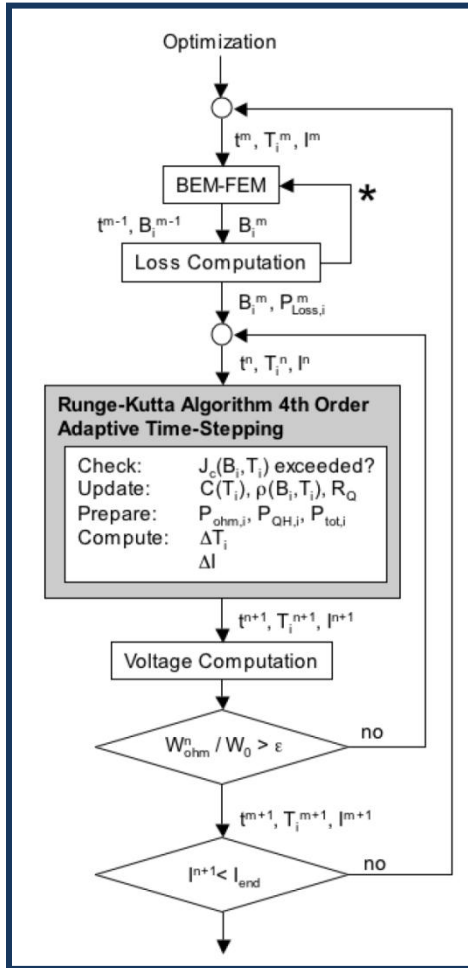
## Some users

Bernhard Auchmann, Susanna Izquierdo Bermudez (CERN)  
Tiina Salmi (LBNL)

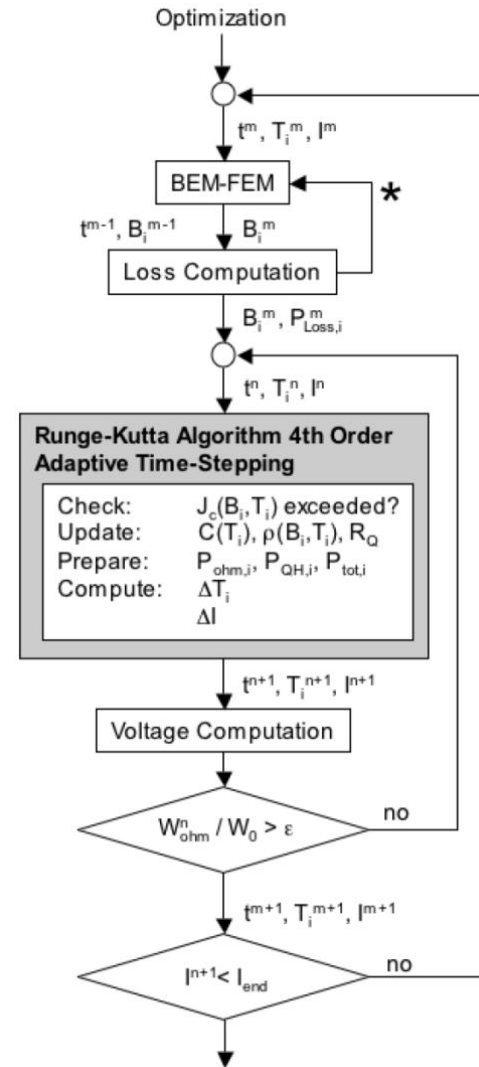
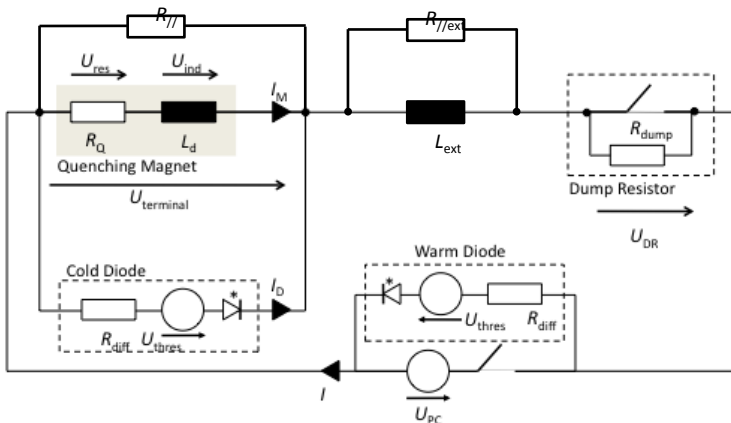
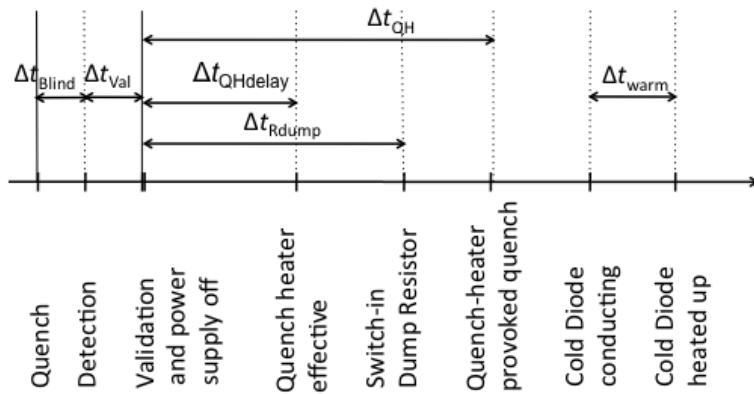
## Some References

N. Schwerg et al., IEEE Trans. On Magn., Vol. 44, N. 6, June 2008

N. Schwerg et al., IEEE Trans. On Appl. Supercond, Vol. 19, No. 3, June 2009



N. Schwerg et al., "Quench simulation in an integrated design environment for superconducting magnets".  
 IEEE Trans. on Magn., vol 44, June 2008.



# ROXIE Description (II)

The heat equation is discretized by an equivalent thermal network model.

$$C \frac{dT}{dt} = P_{\text{Joule}} + P_{\text{beam}} + P_{QH} - \text{div } \lambda \text{ grad } T$$

In the coil cross-section, each conductor corresponds to a node in the network

The thermal model considers:

- non-linear heat capacity
  - anisotropic, non-linear thermal conductivity
  - cooling to a cold surface,
  - the influence of helium
  - heat sources due to ohmic heating,
  - quench heaters: no diffusion time computation
  - induced losses (which is a form of quench-back)
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- Choose between 2D and 3D modeling: Longitudinal subdivision has to be supplied by the user (check minimum quench zone, initial voltage rise, etc.).



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# ROXIE Material properties

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G. Manfreda, Review of ROXIE's material properties database for quench simulation, EDMS 1178007, Nov 2011

## **MATPRO:**

- collection of cryogenic material properties from Università degli Studi di Milano and Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN)
- developed with the work, among the others, of Lucio Rossi and Massimo Sorbi.
- database used by QLASA quench simulation code;

**NIST:** the official website of the National Institute of Standard and Technology contains a database of cryogenic material properties;

**CUDI :** the software for Rutherford cable modeling from Arjan Verweij computes some material properties useful for quench simulation, that are reported in the user manual;

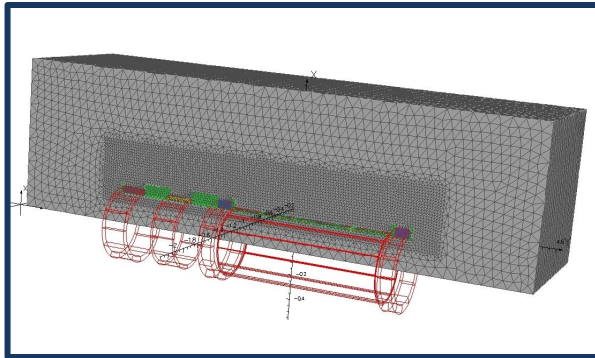
## **CryoComp:**

- collection of properties for materials commonly present in superconducting magnets.
- version 5.1. CryoComp material properties are for example used in Qcode from Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

## Overview

The Quench Analysis Program is one of the Analysis programs of the Opera-3D Analysis Environment.

- Incorporates the non linear solution of the transient problem using the **TEMPO-Transient Thermal Analysis**
- Can be coupled with **ELEKTRA/TR analysis** to model transient electromagnetic fields and external circuits



## Validation

Wilson code, MICE spectrometer

## Availability

\$\$ Cobham

## Some users

Heng Pan (LBNL)



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# Vector Field Quench Analysis Program

## Material Properties

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- Material need to be homogenized.
- Material properties used at LBNL: Cryocomp.



Part of the Muon Ionization Cooling Experiment MICE to be installed the Rutherford Appleton Lab

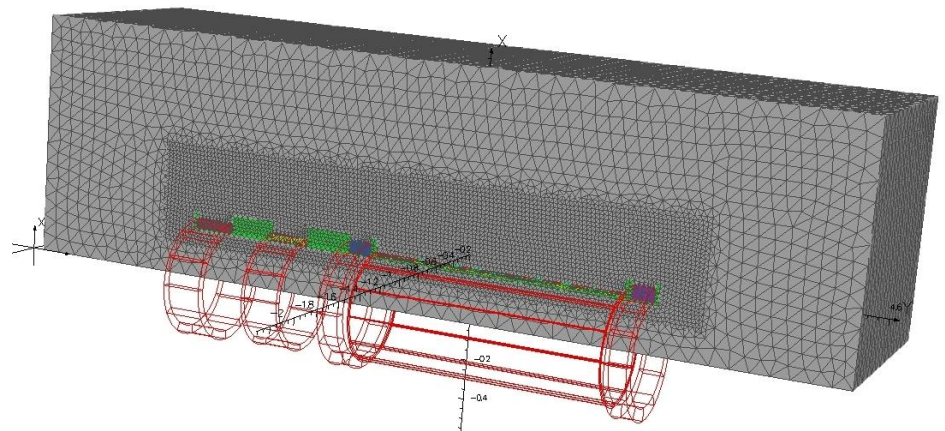
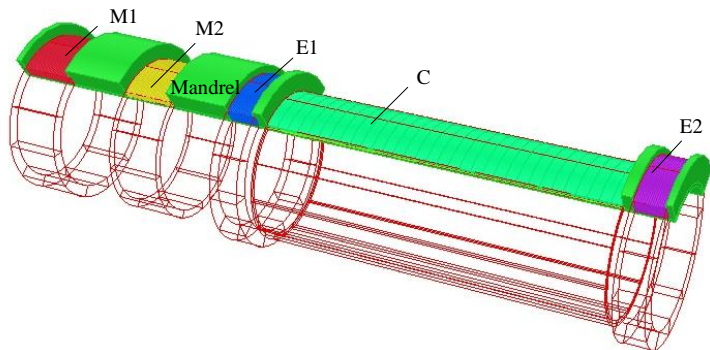
NbTi conductor - Field ranges from 2.8 to 4 T

Uniform field region (less than 1%): 1 m long and 0.3 m in diameter

Stored Energy 3.06 MJ at 258 A

The Finite element discretization is supported by the **Opera3D geometric Modeller** which allows the creation of the model

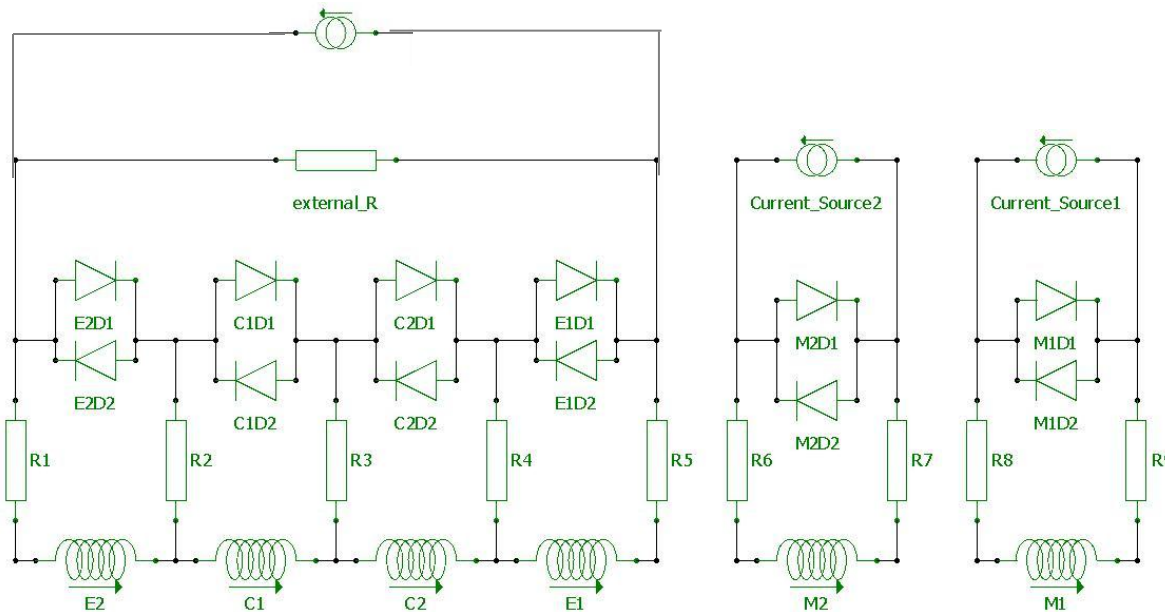
- Only the coil in case of the simple thermal analysis
- The coil, some surrounding air (far enough) and any permeable material (iron, aluminum...) when coupled
  - In this case: coils, mandrel and air



# MICE spectrometer Protection scheme

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- Use of bypass and external resistors
- Back to back diode
- Rely on quench-back in Aluminum mandrel
  - If one coil quenches, the neighboring coils will be heated by quench-back effect and quench
- Baseline scenario: to have all coils becoming normal as soon as possible



Wang et al.: Design and Construction of MICE spectrometer solenoids, IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond. Vol. 19, No. 3, June 2009



## Programming

FEM

## Availability

\$\$ ANSYS

## Some users

S. Caspi (LBNL), P. Ferracin (CERN), R. Yamada (FNAL)

## Some References

- S. Caspi et al., and published in “Calculating Quench Propagation With ANSYS”, IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond, Vol. 13, No. 2, June 2003
- P. Ferracin et al., “Thermal, Electrical and Mechanical Response to a Quench in Nb3Sn Superconducting Coils”, ”, IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond, June 2004
- Yamada et al. present a thermal – mechanical analysis in “2D/3D Quench Simulation Using ANSYS for Epoxy impregnated Nb3Sn High Field Magnets” in IEEE Trans. On Applied Superconductivity, Vol. 13, No. 2, June 2003

# FEM CAST3M- ID

## Overview

Finite element analysis developed and used at CEA  
Used to compute eddy currents in surrounding coil  
components => quenchback

Used also for quench propagation computation in YBCO coils

## Programming

FEM

Validation: CMS, RD3b

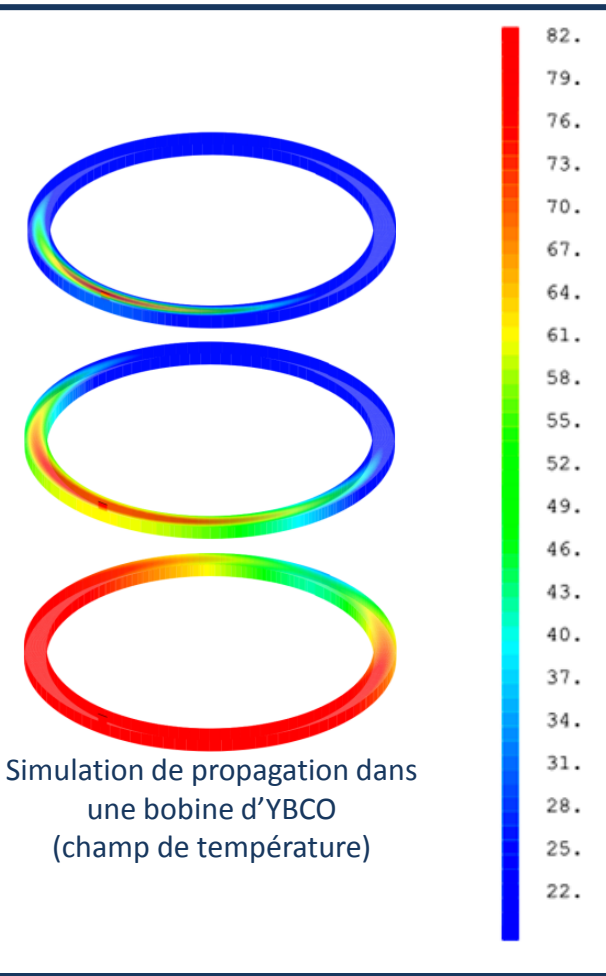
Availability: Free

Some users: Philippe Fazilleau (CEA)

## Some References

P.Verpeaux, T. Charras, and A. Millard, "CASTEM 2000 une approche moderne du calcul des structures," in *Calcul des structures et intelligence artificielle*, Pluralis, 1988, pp. 261–271.

P. Fazilleau et al. "The R3B-GLAD Quench Protection System", IEEE Trans. On Applied Superconductivity, Vol.. 20, No. 3, June 2010





# In summary

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- A NON EXHAUSTIVE list of codes
- Need to pick the right code fitting the user goals
- Most of the codes are free and accessible but might lack documentation



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# Appendix

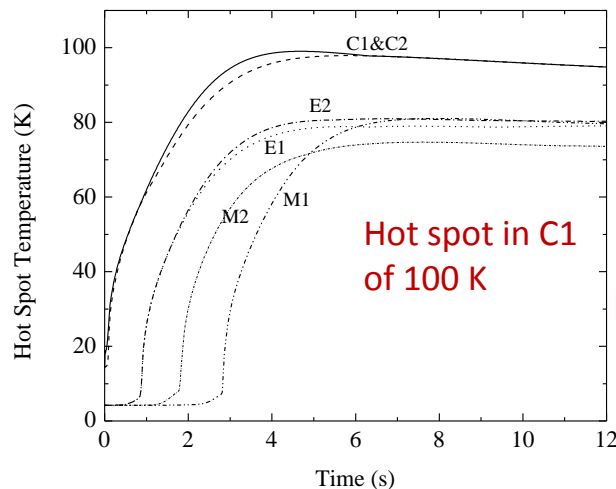
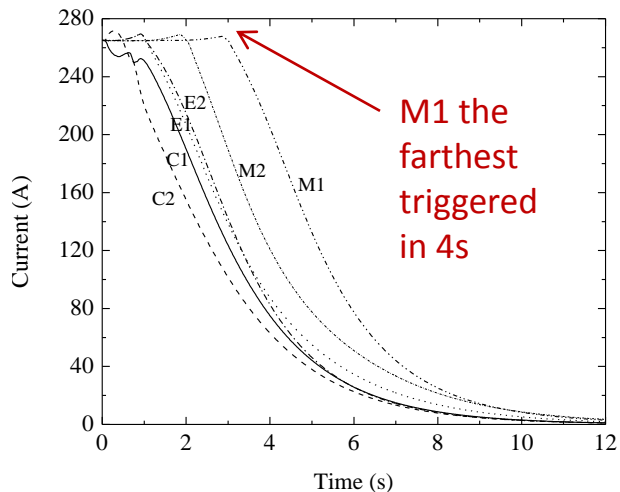


# Results for MICE spectrometer (Cobham VF)

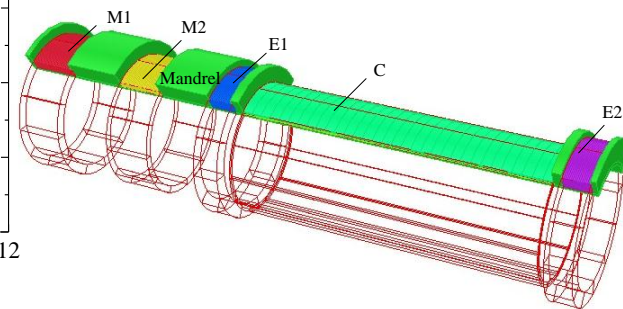
## Typical scenari

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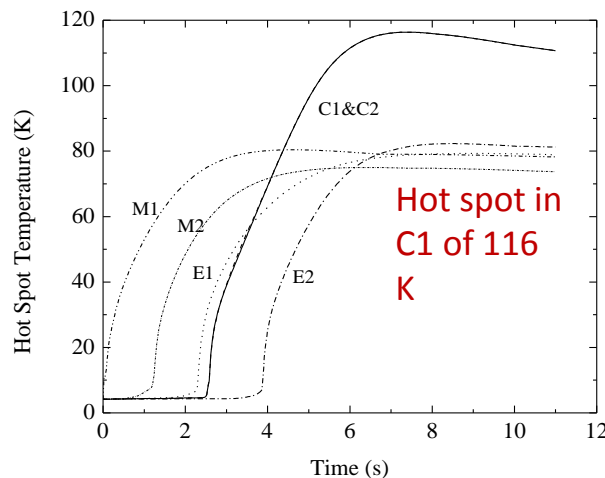
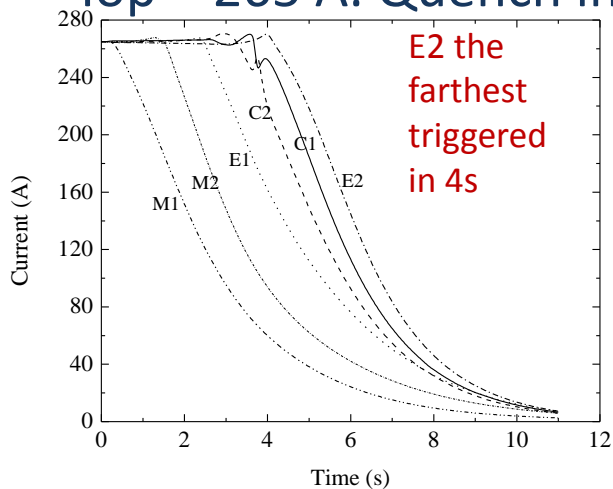
- $I_{op} = 265$  A. Quench initiated in the C1 coil



Courtesy of Heng Pang, LBNL,  
unpublished data



- $I_{op} = 265$  A. Quench initiated in the M1 coil



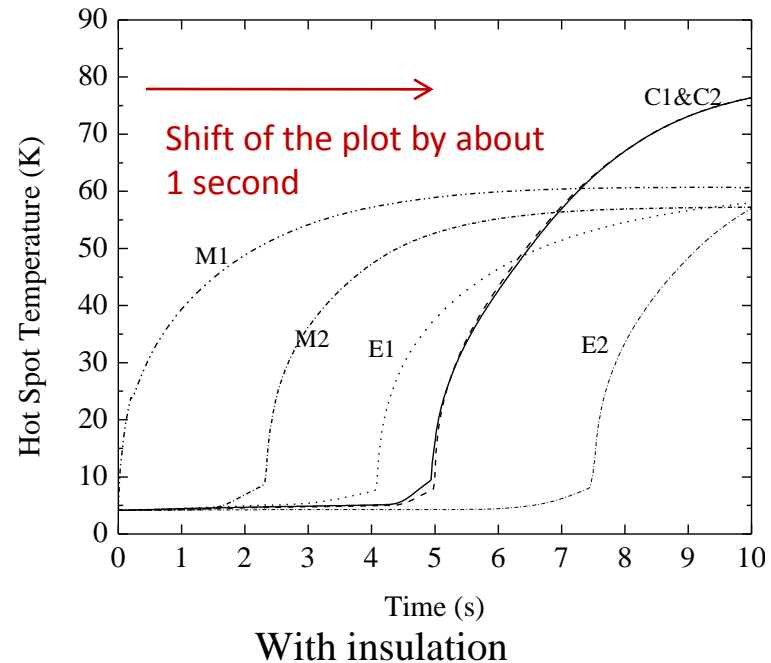
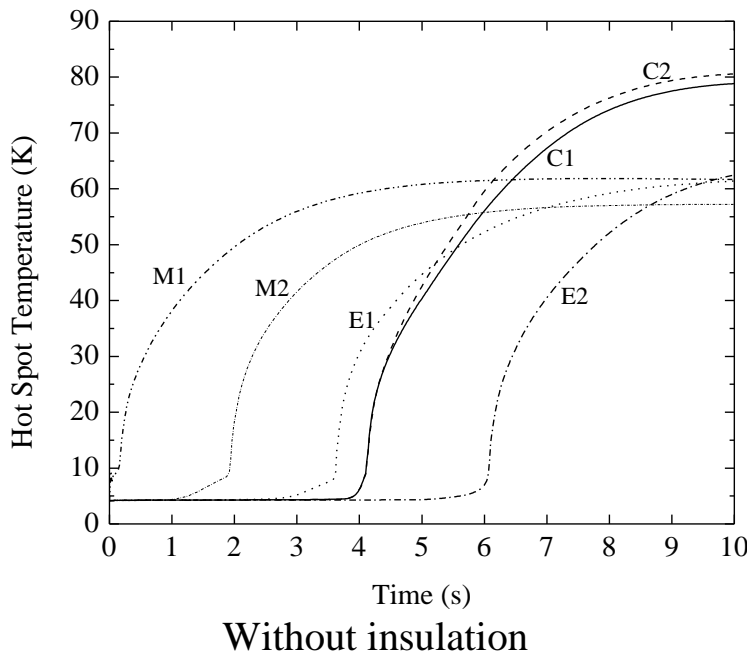
Higher hot spot due to  
the fact that the quench  
has to propagate from  
one end to the other.

# Results for MICE spectrometer (Cobham VF)

## Influence of the quench back

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- The insulations between coil and mandrel delays the heat transfer from normal zone to mandrel
- The quench-back will be slowed down accordingly



Courtesy of Heng Pang, LBNL, unpublished data