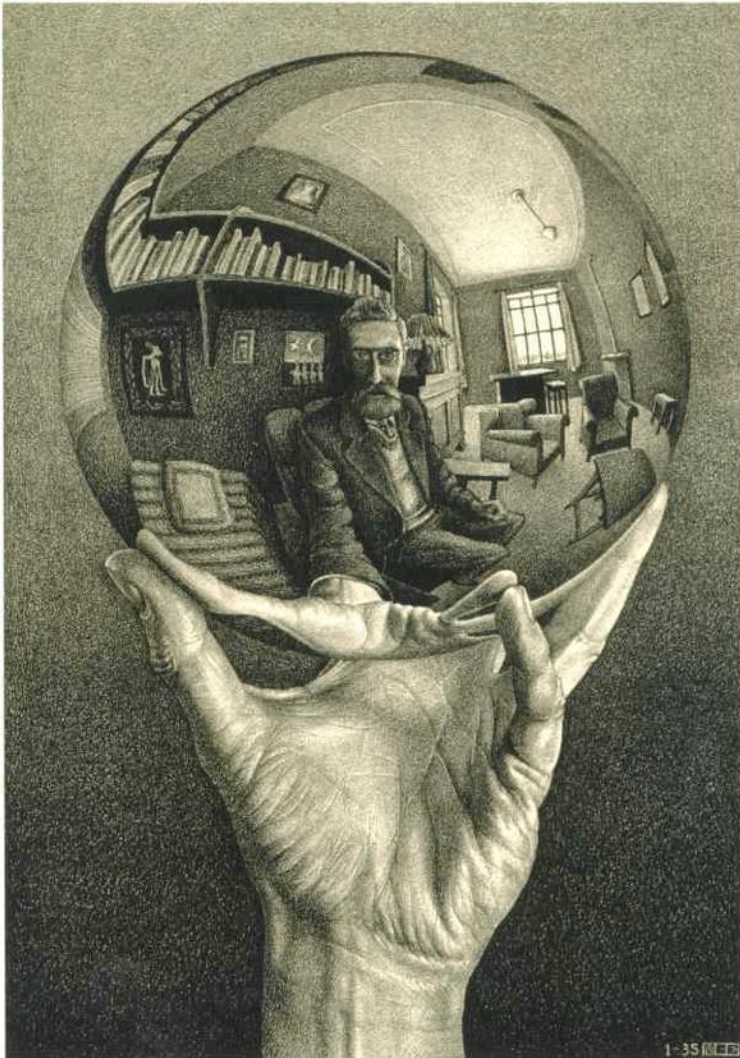


# What could stop us, when and how long?

*As far as  
magnets are  
concerned*

L. Bottura

Review of LHC & Injector Upgrade  
Plans Workshop (RLIUP)  
Archamps, October 2013



M.C. Escher, "Hand with a Reflecting Sphere", 1935

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I will not cover the injectors (see talk from Katy)

I will not cover the arcs (but advocate diagnostic)

I will not cover cooling limits in the present triplet

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# Sc magnets failure modes

Operational

Ice blocks causing overpressure

Manufacturing QA

Joint installation without solder

Shorts (chips, slivers, debris)

Mechanical abrasion of insulation

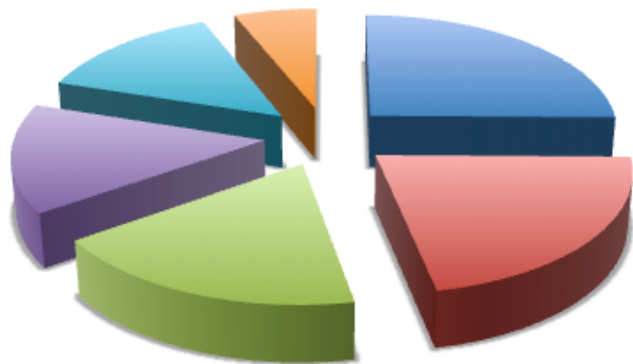
Reliability

Power supplies/switch control failure

Structural

J.H. Schultz, in Engineering Superconductivity, J. Wiley & Sons, 2001

## Origins of SC magnet failures



insulation

≈ 50 %

mechanical

system performance

conductor

external systems

coolant

Table 1.0: CLASSIFICATION OF FAILURES

	# entries
<b>1.0 MECHANICAL SUPPORT RELATED</b>	
1.1 unantisipated stress distribution	3
1.2 excessive motion	11
1.3 structural failure	4
1.4 mechanical componant failure	2
1.5 loose parts	2
1.6 support link failure	2
1.7 heat shield mechanical failure	1
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>2.0 CONDUCTOR RELATED</b>	
2.1 conductor damage	1
2.1.1 conductor breakage	0
2.1.2 resistive conductor	1
2.1.3 overheating of conductor	3
2.1.4 conductor burnout	1
2.2 joint failure	2
2.3 lead burnout	10
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>3.0 INSULATION RELATED</b>	
3.1 insulation mechanical failure	2
3.2 insulation electrical failure	
3.2.1 ground fault	12
3.2.2 terminal fault	0
3.2.3 interpancake fault	4
3.2.4 turn-to-turn fault	5
3.2.5 lead electrical fault	3
3.2.6 I&C fault	3
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>COOLANT RELATED</b>	
4.1 coolant leak	3
4.2 loss of coolant	3
4.3 flow unbalance	1
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>EXTERNAL SYSTEMS RELATED</b>	
5.1 bus mechanical fault	10
5.2 bus electrical fault	2
5.3 dump resistor fault	4
5.4 power supply fault	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>SYSTEM PERFORMANCE RELATED</b>	
6.1 poor stablity	2
6.2 premature quench	8
6.3 charge rate sensitvity	1
6.4 field error	1
6.5 vacuum leak	5
6.6 loss of vacuum	4
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>115</b>

Y. Iwasa, Case Studies in Superconducting Magnets, Plenum Press, 1994.

D.B. Montgomery, Review of Fusion Magnets System Problems, Proc. 13<sup>th</sup> IEEE Symp. Fus. Eng., 27, 1989

# Potential causes of failures in the LHC

- Mechanical fatigue on coil, structure, busses:
  - Powering cycles:  $10^4$  per magnet
  - Thermal cycles: a few for the LHC
- Singular events and associated thermal and electrical stress:
  - Quenches: order of 10 per magnet
  - Heater discharges (triggers): order of 10 per magnet
- Radiation and associated degradation of mechanical and electrical strength:
  - Magnet in the triplet region (Point 1 and Point 5)
  - Magnets in the collimators region (Point 7)

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# Electrical NC's in the LHC SC magnets

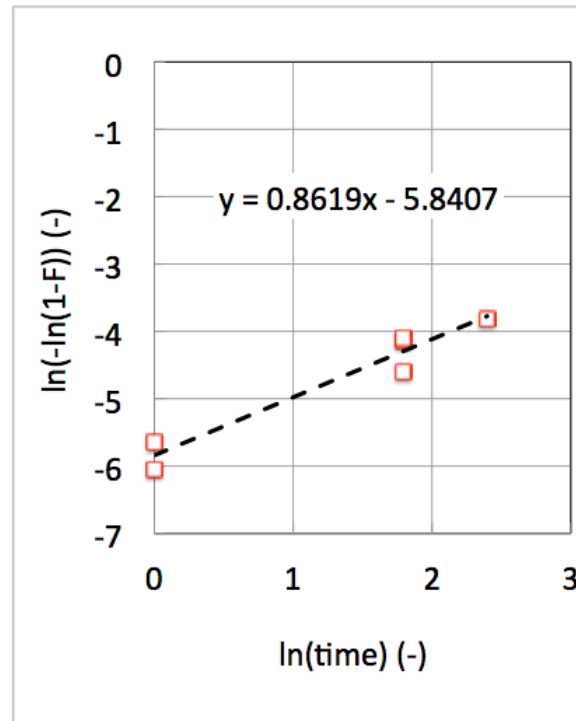
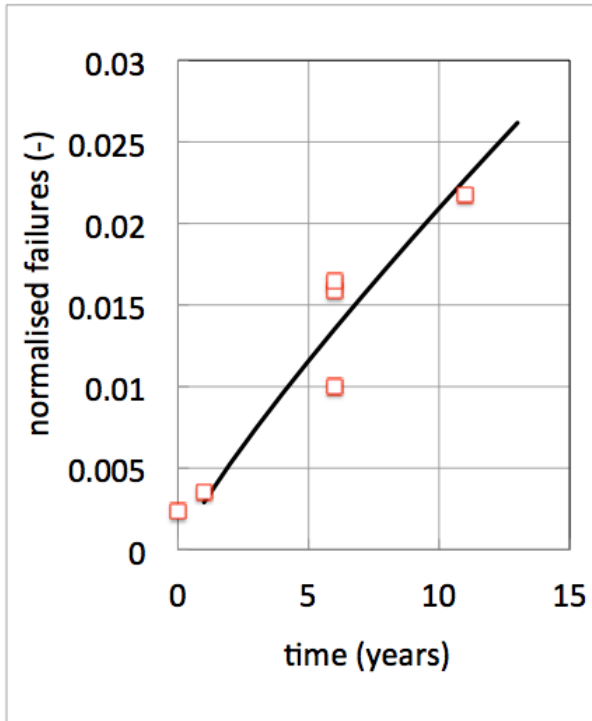
- To date (M. Bednarek, LSC 31.05.2013) we have 35 NC's pending
- Limiting to the cold part, 12 were known before LS1, 7 were identified during the LS1 ELQA
- Magnet exchanged so far
  - 2007: 1 dipole (suspected developing interturn short)
  - 2008: 2 dipoles for high internal resistance
  - 2013: 15 dipoles and 3 quadrupoles, of which
    - 13 dipoles for electrical issues (high internal resistance, 4+1 QH issues, 1 dielectric strength),
    - 1 quadrupole for failure of the orbit corrector
  - 2018 (?): at least 8 dipoles and 3 quadrupoles, of which
    - all dipoles and 1 quadrupole for high internal resistance
    - a number “TBD” for other issues “TBD” (e.g. re-training ?)

**Warning: we have not pushed the LHC yet**

# Expected MTBF of SC magnets

## Weibull analysis of magnet electrical failure probability

year	phase	MB reason	MQ reason	correctors reason	years	cumulated failures	normalised failures	weibull F	weibull x
2007	commissioning	potential short ? 1 (1055)		RCO.A78B2, RCO.A81B2, 3 RSS.A34B1	0	4	0.002352941	-6.050911543	0
2008	34 repair	2			1	6	0.003529412	-5.644856754	0
2013	LS1	8 internal resistance	1 MCBY corrector	2 RQTF.A81B1, RCBH31.R7B1	6	17	0.01	-4.600149227	1.791759469
2013		5 quench heater issues	1 LQXAA.1R1	4 triplet correctors	6	27	0.015882353	-4.134552429	1.791759469
2013		1 dielectric strength			6	28	0.016470588	-4.097886644	1.791759469
2018	LS2	8 internal resistance	1 internal resistance		11	37	0.021764706	-3.816483268	2.397895273



k 0.8619  
k ln(lambda) 5.8407  
lambda 877.0291

time (years)	F (-)	rate (1/year)	MTBF (years)
1	0.0029	0.00251	399
2	0.00527	0.00228	439
3	0.00746	0.00215	465
4	0.00956	0.00207	483
5	0.01157	0.00201	498
6	0.01353	0.00196	511
7	0.01543	0.00191	522
8	0.0173	0.00188	532
9	0.01913	0.00185	541
10	0.02093	0.00182	549
11	0.0227	0.0018	556
12	0.02445	0.00178	563
13	0.02617	0.00176	569

Expected MTBF of 400 to 500 years, translates in a range of 3...4 magnets electrical NC's per year



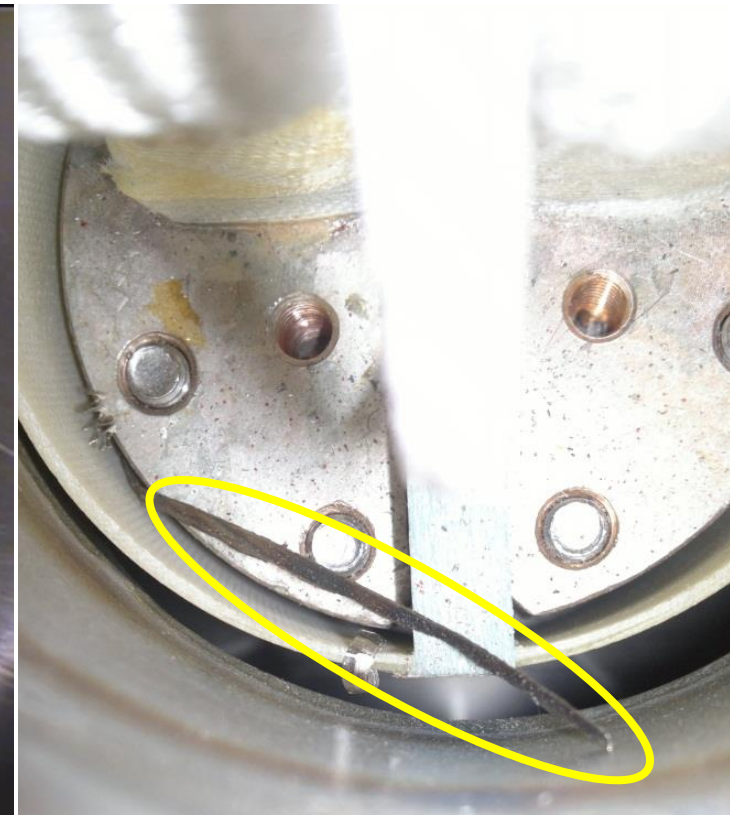
# Delicate details – 1/2



SSS bus bar routing with marks due to the contact between lyre and heat exchanger tube



# Delicate details – 2/2



Contact between MB circuit bus bars and MCS corrector

Chip causing a short between the *half moon* and the diode

The LHC, as all electrical machines, will most likely experience electrical faults. This is true for the whole CERN accelerator complex, **and is normal**

# Summary – SC electromechanics

- An MTBF of 400...500 years has been estimated<sup>(1)</sup> for the LHC superconducting magnets
- This translates in approximately 3...4 magnet electrical NC's per year of operation, and at least 10...15 magnets exchanges every long shutdown<sup>(2)</sup>
- A proposal was made to adapt the main ring spare policy at the ACC Consolidation Day: procure NbTi wire, magnetic steel, build MQ's  
(<https://indico.cern.ch/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=266926>)
- Given the estimated MTBF, the probability of electrical failure of one of the triplet magnets within the next 10 years of operation is 3 %, i.e. **1 magnet**

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## Point 3



## Point 1

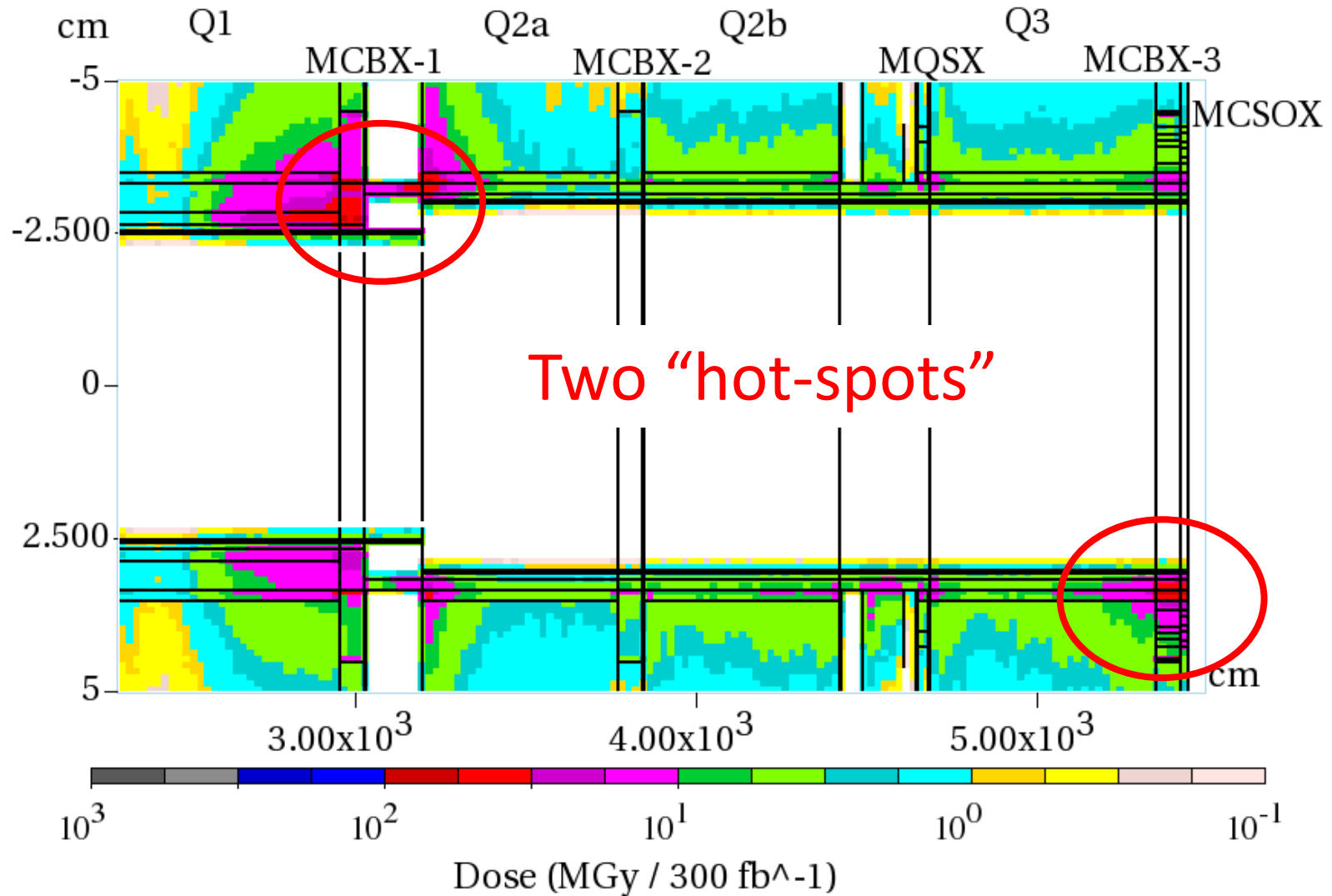
## Point 7

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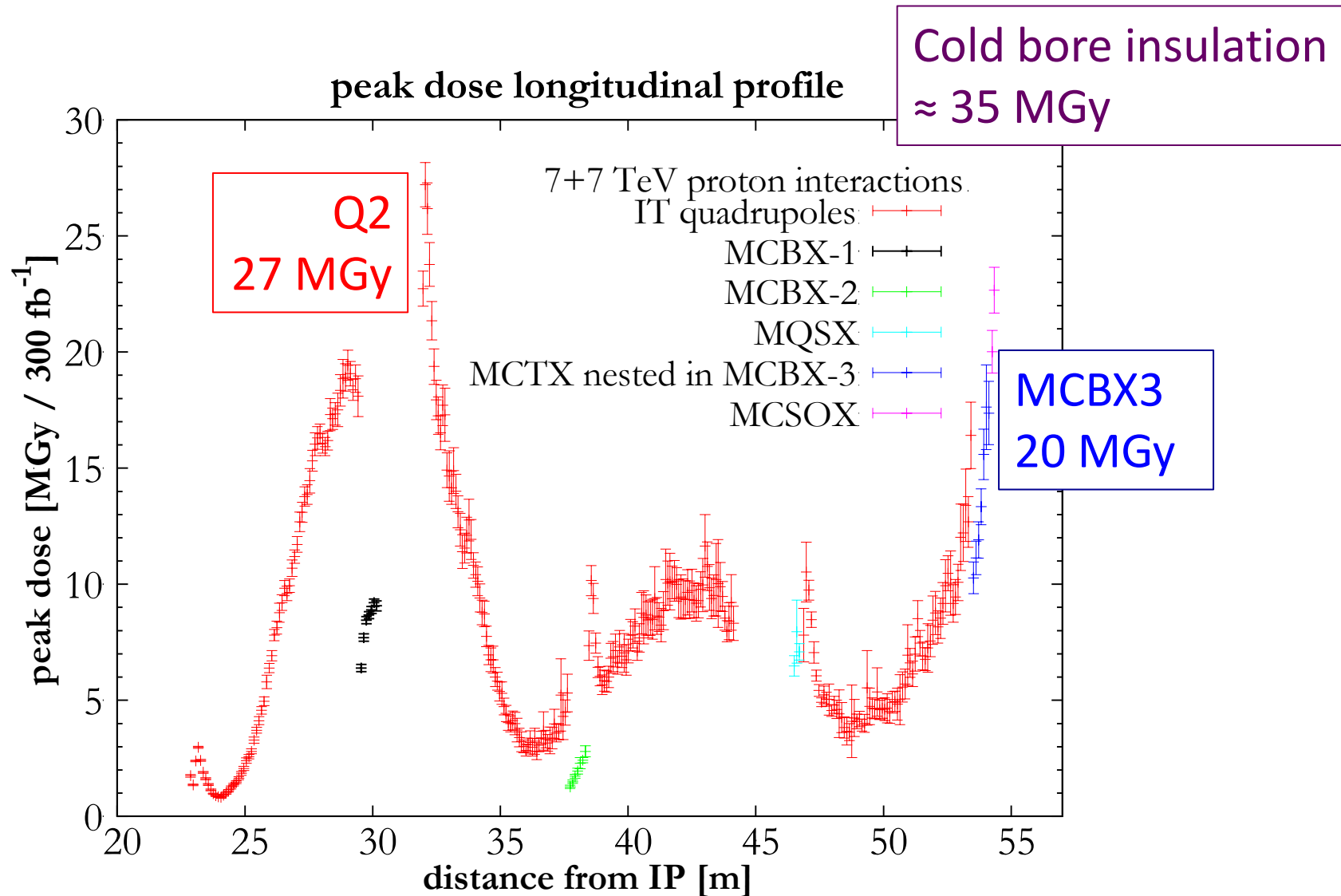
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# Radiation dose in the present triplet ( $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )



# Radiation dose in the present triplet ( $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )





# In the gizzards of the triplet

- Q2 (MQXB)
  - Conductor insulation: 50 (150)  $\mu\text{m}$  **Kapton**
  - Coil insulation: 400  $\mu\text{m}$  **Kapton**
  - Ground insulation: 450  $\mu\text{m}$  **Kapton**
  - **G11R** end spacers
- MCBX
  - Multi-wire cable, each layer potted with **epoxy resin**
  - Two layers potted (glued) in the final coil with **epoxy resin**

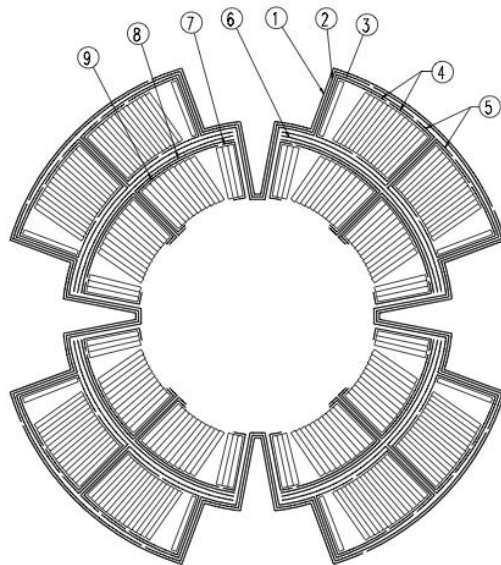
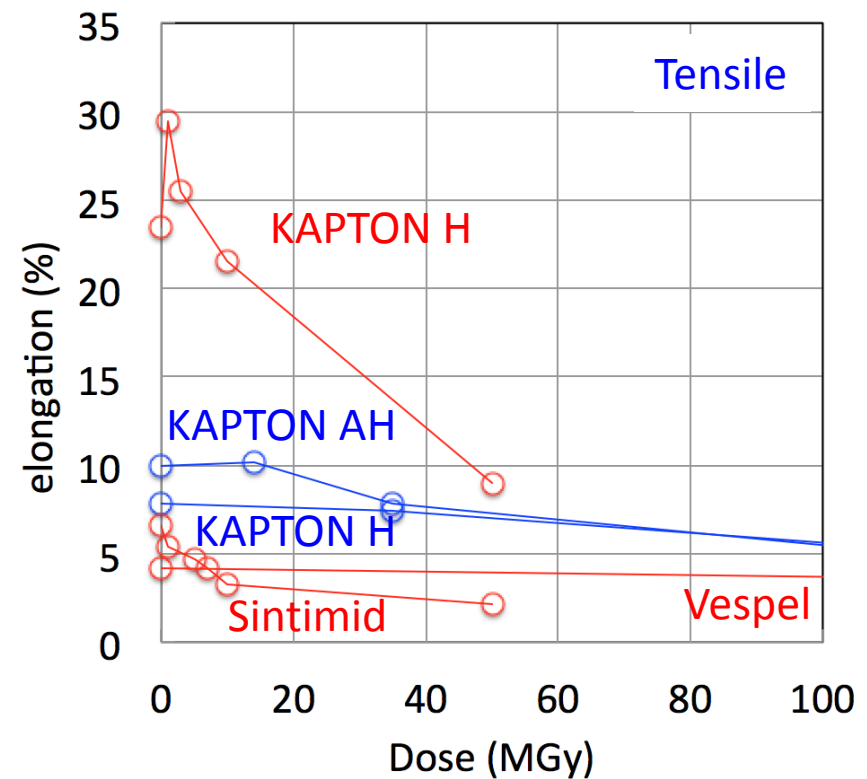
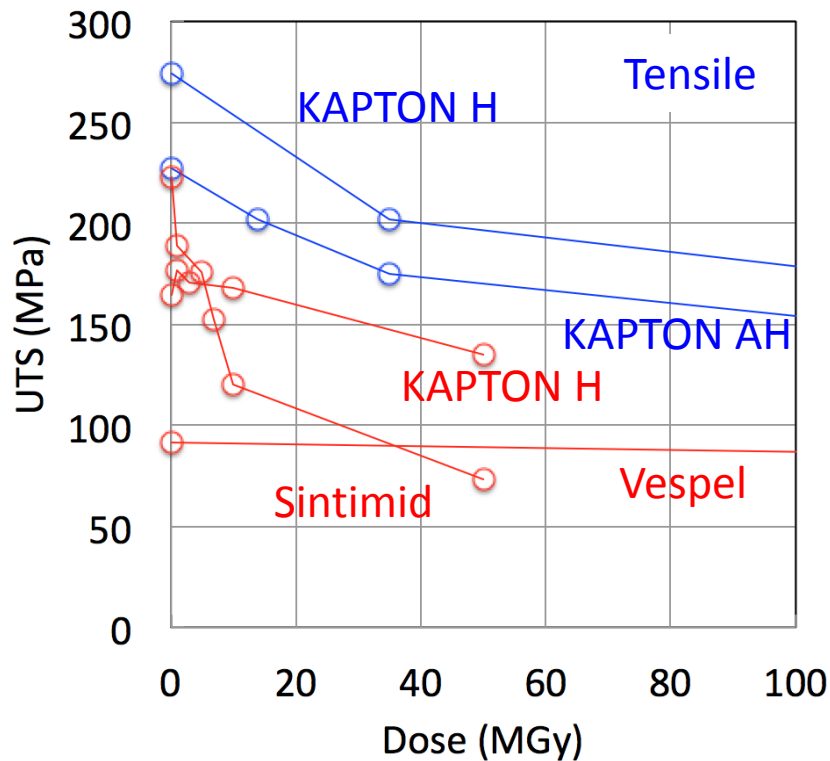


Fig. II.1.2.2-4. HGQ coil insulation system: 1,2,3 – pole ground wrap; 4, 7, 9 – coil caps; 5, 8 – parting plane layers; 6 – quench heater.



# Material limits – Polyimide



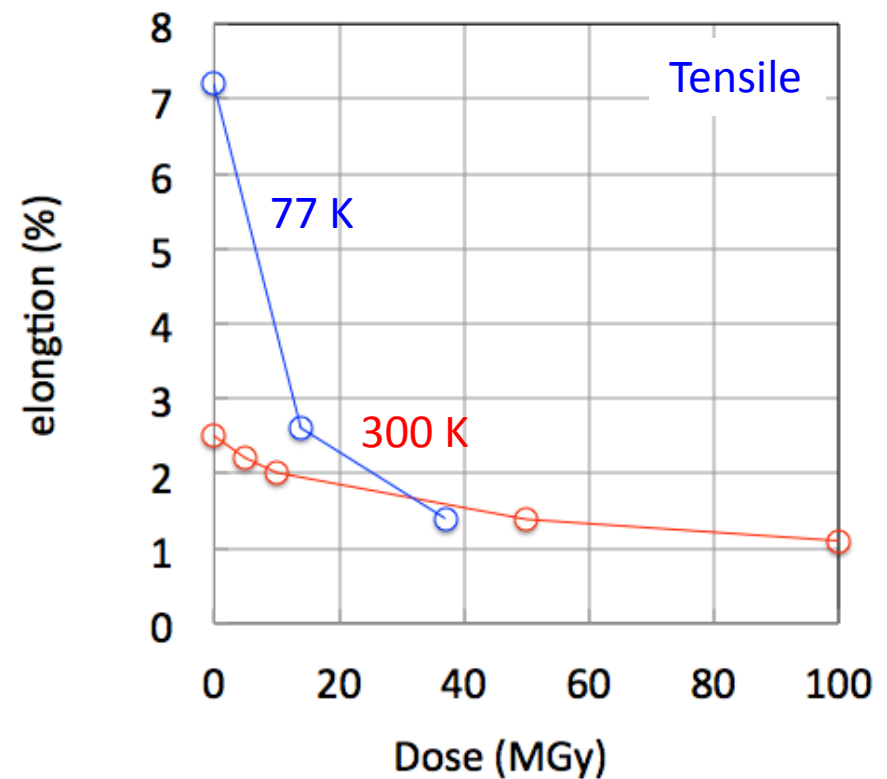
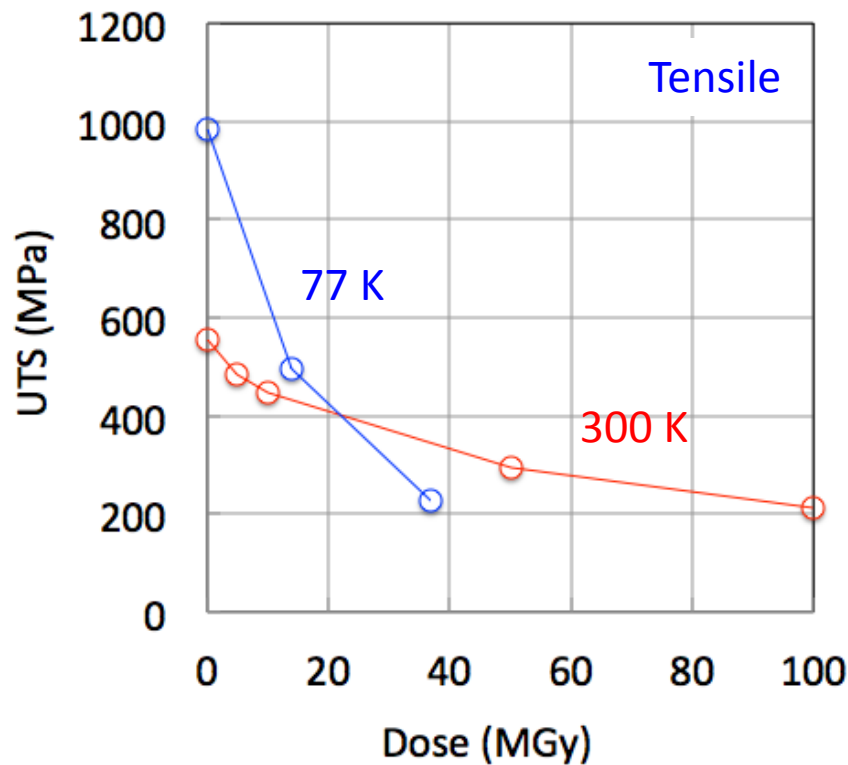
Significant degradation at  $\approx 50$  MGy

E.R.Long, S.A.T. Long, NASA Technical Paper 2429, 1985

D.J.T. Hill, Radiat. Phys. Chem., 48 (5), 533-537, 1996

M. Tavlet, et al., Compilation of Radiation Damage Data, CERN 98-01, 1998

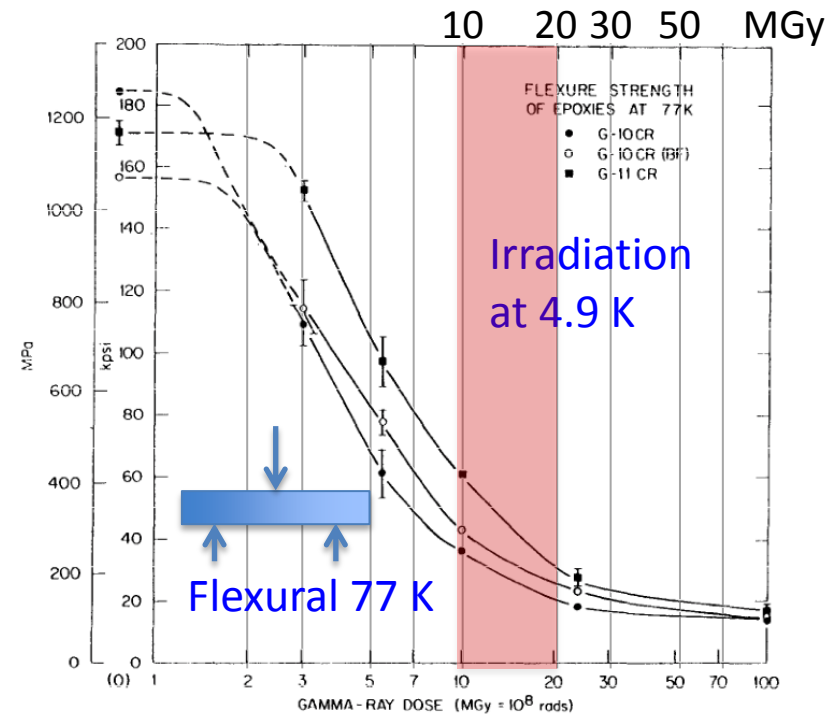
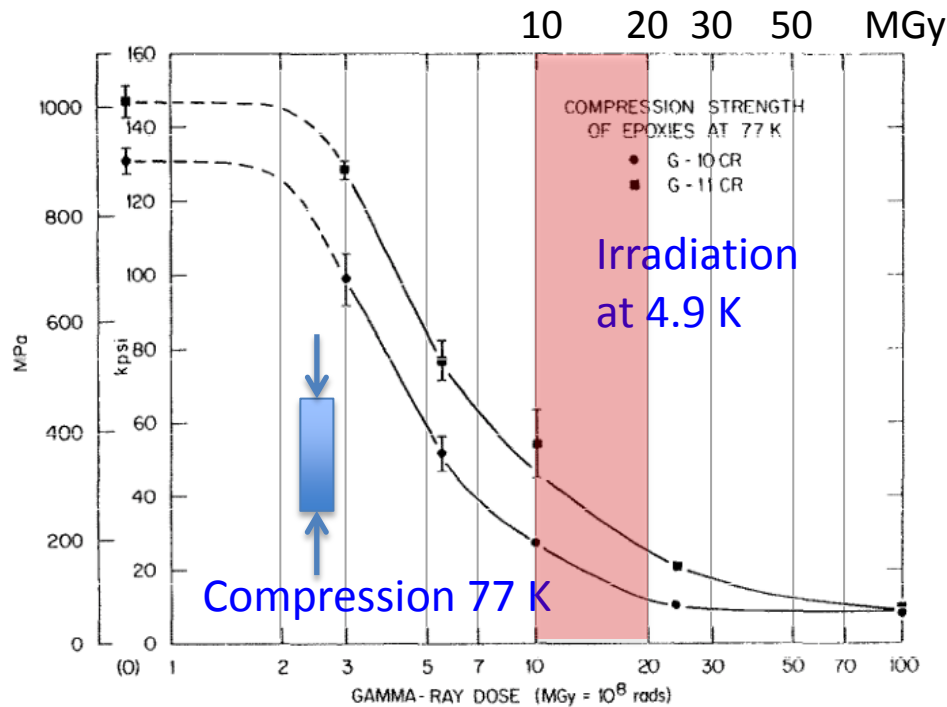
# Material limits – G11



**Significant loss of strength and elongation at dose above 30 MGy**

M. Tavlet, et al., Compilation of Radiation Damage Data, CERN 98-01, 1998

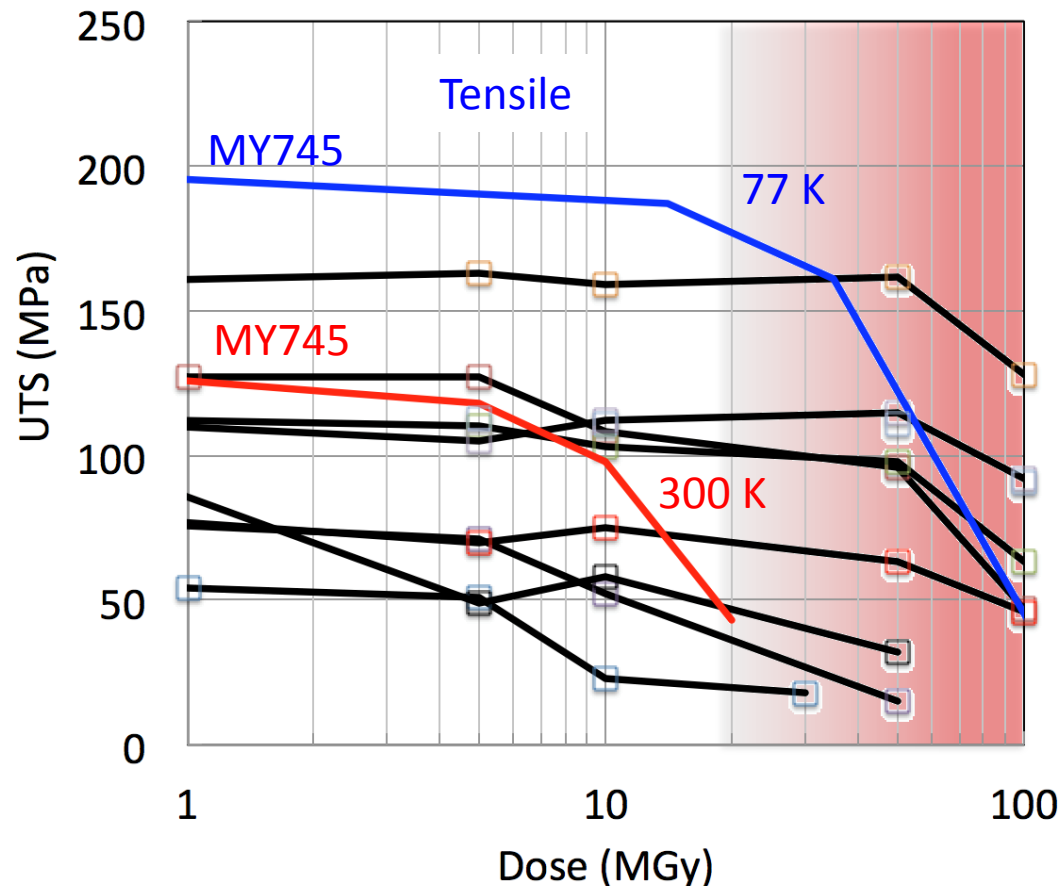
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The degradation is caused by loss of bonding in the epoxy component at 10...20 MGy

R.R. Colman, C.E. Klabunde, The Strength of G-10CR and G-11CR epoxies after Irradiation at 5 K by Gamma Rays, J. Nucl. Mat., 113, 268-272, 1983

# Material limits – Thermosetting resins



Complex situation, significant loss of strength  
(50% at cold) at dose above 50 MGy

# Summary on triplet magnets

- Expected dose by LS3 ( $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) with 50 % uncertainty<sup>(3)</sup>
  - Range of 27 [18...40] MGy in the Q2
  - Range of 20 [13...30] MGy in the MCBX
- Bonding strength (shear) of epoxies is strongly degraded (80 %) above 20 MGy
- Fracture strength of insulating materials degrades by about 50 % in the range of 20 MGy (G11) to 50 MGy (epoxies, kapton)
- Insulations (polyimide) become brittle above 50 MGy
- Triplet magnets may experience mechanically-induced insulation failure in the range of  $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (LS3  $\pm 1$  year)
  - Premature quenches (cracks in end spacers)
  - Insulation degradation (monitor on line<sup>(4)</sup>)
  - Mechanical failure (nested coils in MCBX)

# Is this a surprise ?

- J. Kerby, M. Lamm, “INNER TRIPLET QUADRUPOLE MQXB”, LHC-LQX-ES-0002 rev 1.1, EDMS 256806, 2001:
  - Projected maximum acceptable dose of the triplet magnets of 20 MGy (based on G11 spacers)
  - Expected lifetime of 7 years at  $10^{34}$  1/cm<sup>2</sup> s (200 days operation, 50 % lumi time, dose calculation by N. Mokhov)
  - Compensatory measures included, as described in N.V. Mokhov, I.L. Rakhno, J.S. Kerby, J.B. Strait, “Protecting LHC IP1/IP5 Components Against Radiation Resulting from Colliding Beam Interactions”, LHC Project Report 633, 2003
  - Note: additional limits from the functional specification

<i>Item</i>	<i>Value</i>
Number of Thermal Cycles	25
Number of Powering Cycles	12,000
Number of Quenches	10

- Note: the functional specification proposed magnet swaps among points...
- R. Ostojic, 2009: [...] *on the lifetime of the LHC triplet* [...] *That is the reason I quoted the radiation hardness of the present triplet as “about 400 fb<sup>-1</sup>”*

**A limit in the range of 300 fb<sup>-1</sup> (with the present evaluation)  
is hence consistent with previous analyses**

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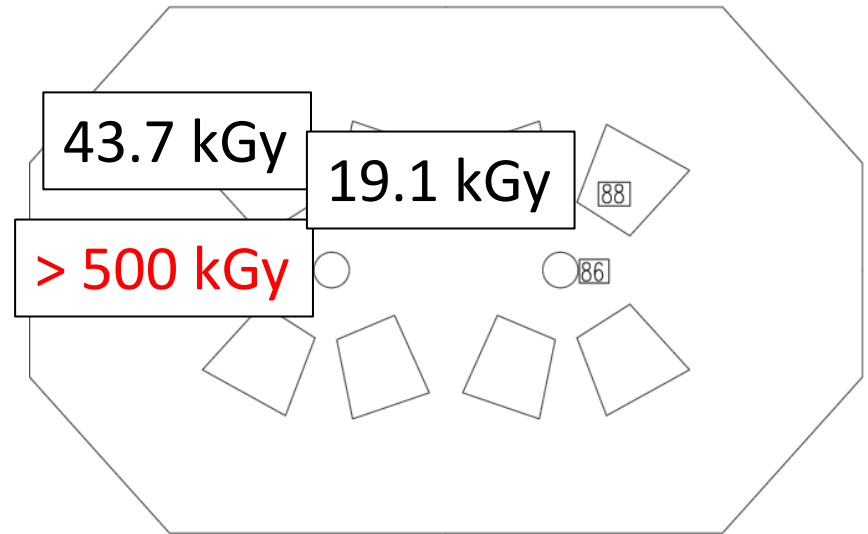
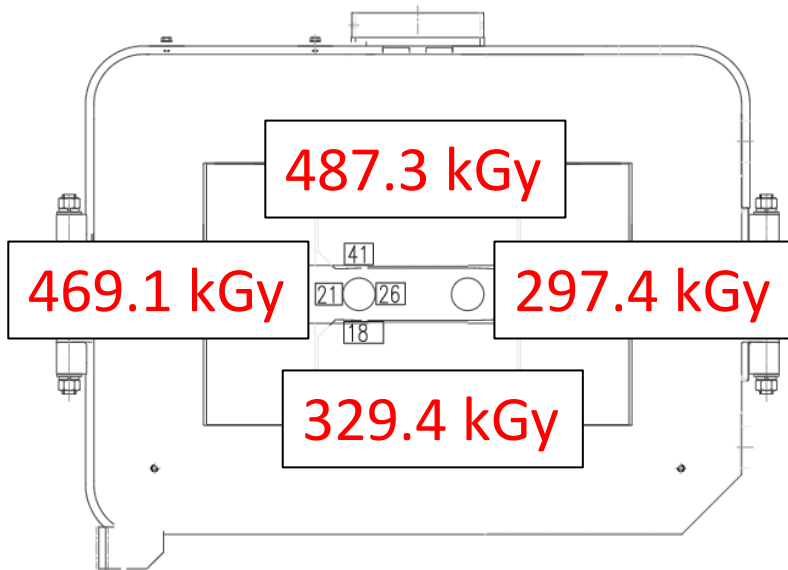
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# Dose in the MBW and MQW

MBW.B6R7 DROIT

MQWA.E5R3 DRO RP survey LS1



Dose estimates at  $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (MGy)

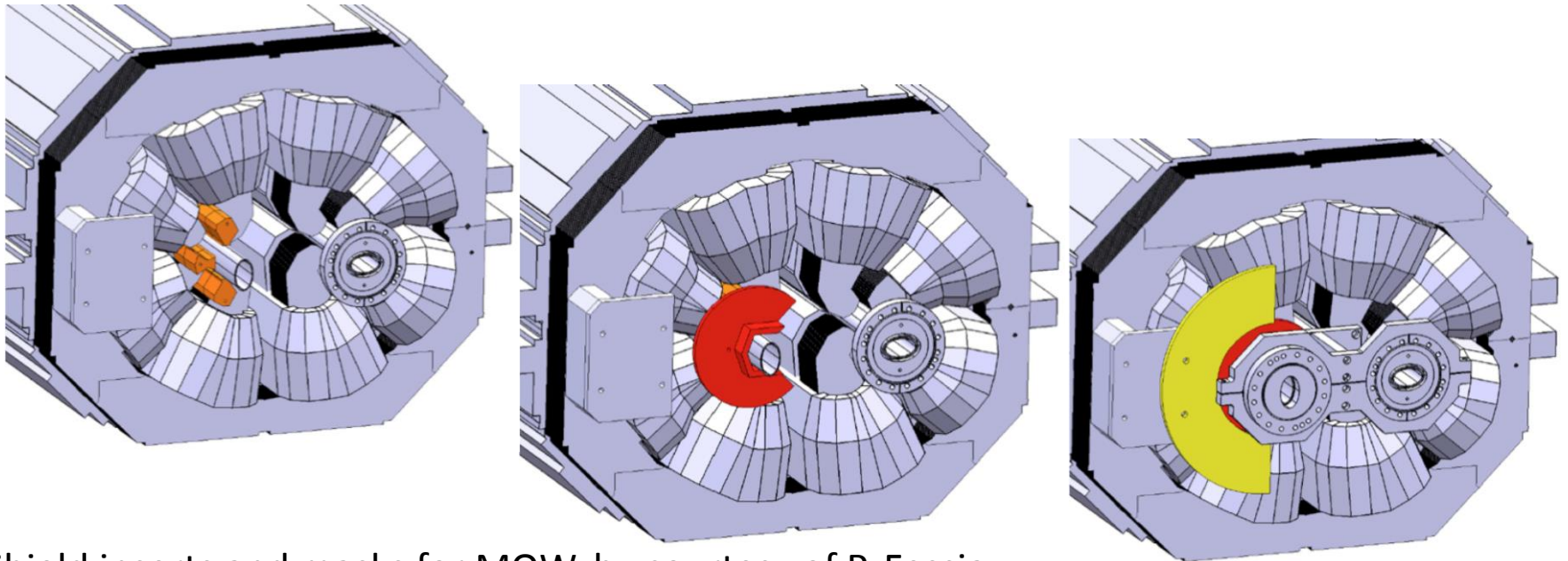
	IR7 right	IR7 left	IR3 right	IR3 left
MQW	<b>86</b>	29	9	18
MBW	<b>87</b>	<b>43</b>	3.8	7.6

# Summary on warm magnets

- Expected dose by LS3 ( $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
  - Range of 80....90 MGy in the MBW and MQW
- Limits for the epoxies used are in the range of 50 MGy for MQW and 70 MGy for MBW
- Actions have been proposed and approved (TETM67 8/10/2013, LSC24 11/10/2013) to avoid insulation failure in the period LS2 to LS3
- Mitigation and preparation work is planned (and *mandatory*) during LS1

# Compensatory measures

- Shield (W inserts and masks)
- Remove magnets (change optics, insert absorber, simplify powering, *add redundancy*)
- Build rad-hard replacements for the longer term



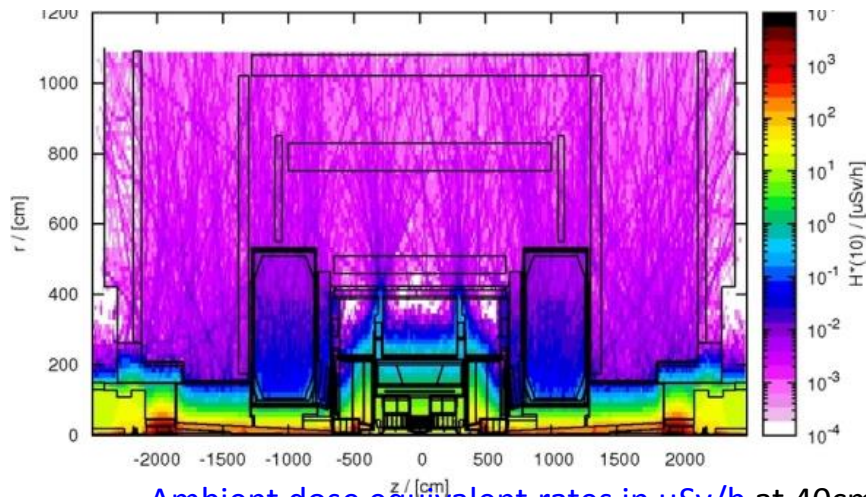
Shield inserts and masks for MQW, by courtesy of P. Fessia

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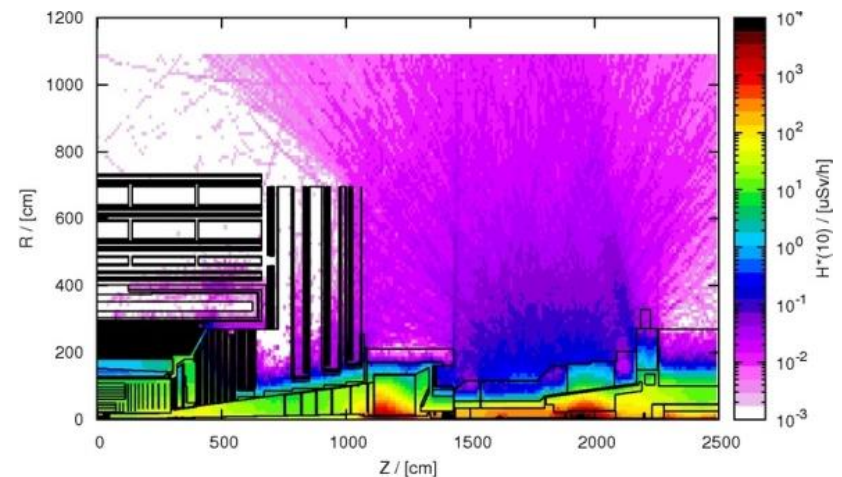
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# Radiation map – LS1 after 1 week

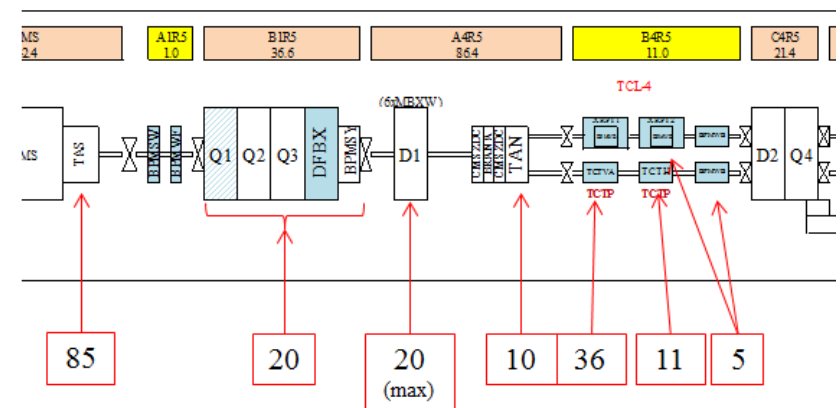
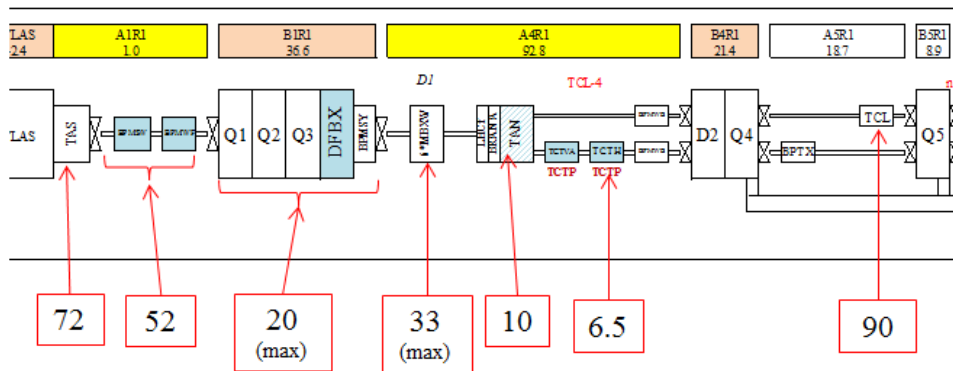
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- Point 5



Ambient dose equivalent rates in  $\mu\text{Sv/h}$  at 40cm measured on Dec 17, 2012 (last “good” fill on Dec 5)

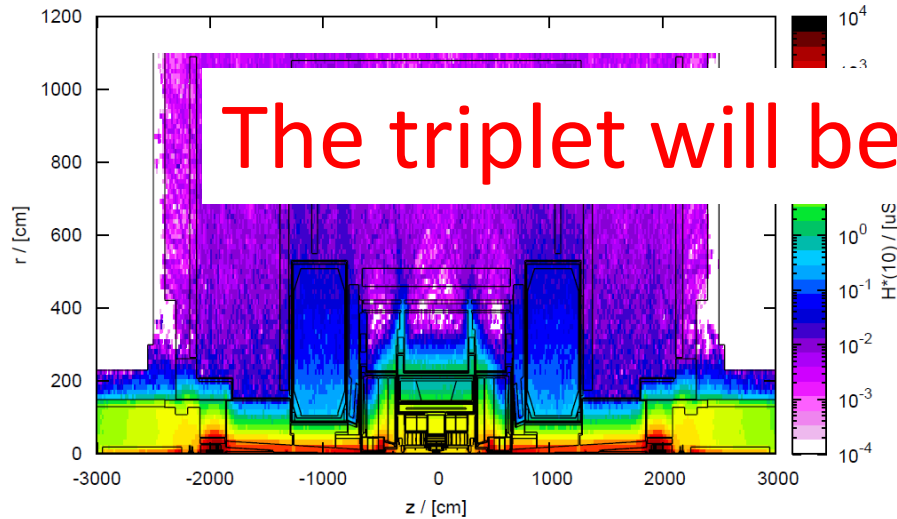


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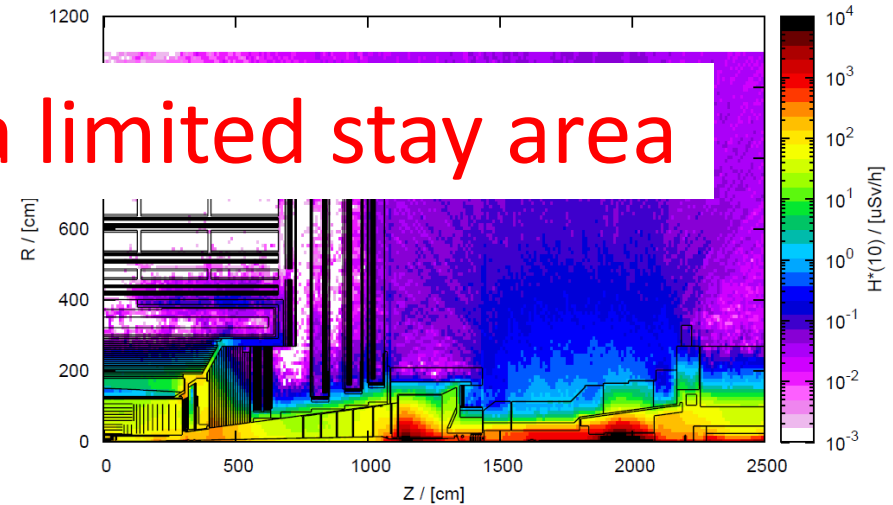
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# Radiation map – LS3 after 4 months

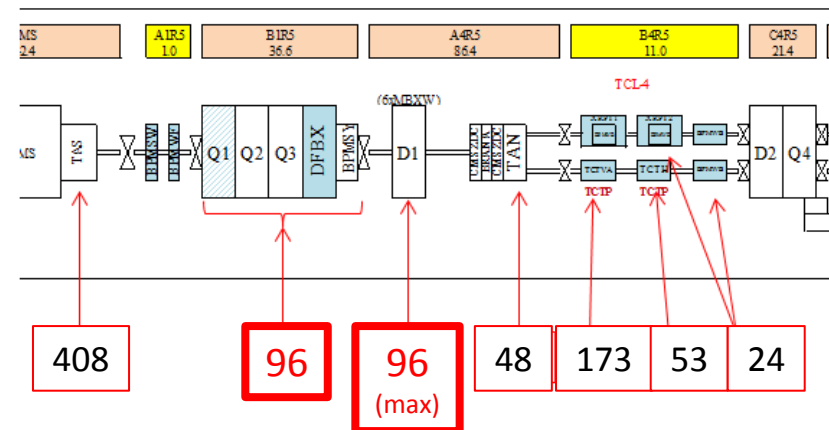
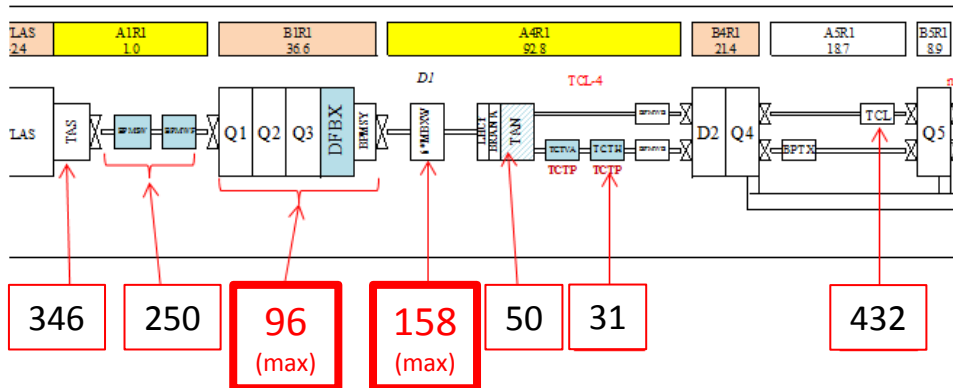
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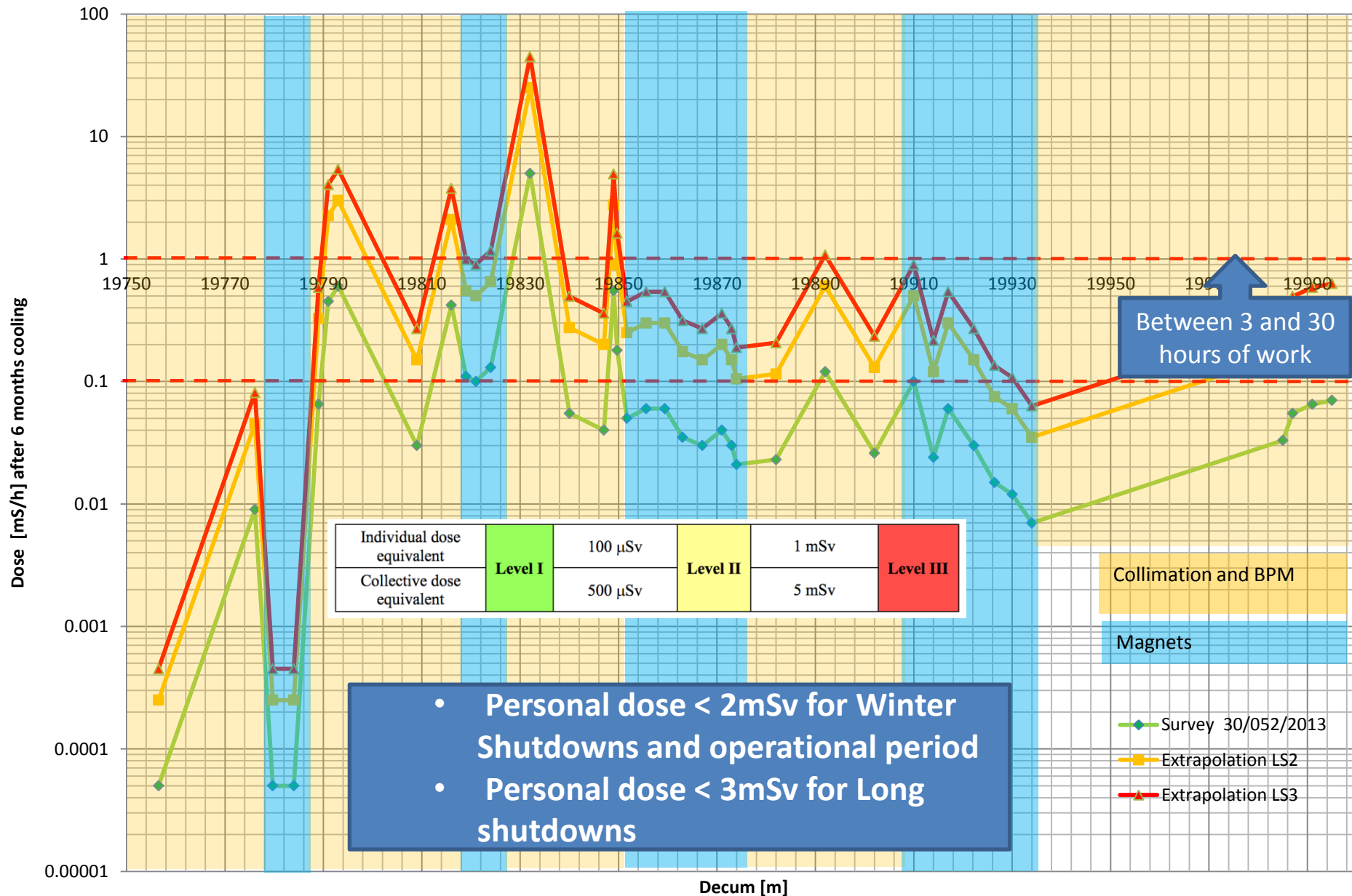
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# 7L extrapolation of dose to LS2 and LS3





# Issues of personal dose – actions

- Access and work in the triplet and collimator area will be subject to ALARA-level III rules
- Measures must be taken to reduce intervention time by:
  - Adopting rad-hard designs for magnet replacements, with *robustness* improved by factors (3...5)
  - Adding redundancy when and where possible (tolerate failures of single elements)
  - Reducing/facilitating/accelerating manual operations for disconnection, removal, installation, reconnection, and introducing “remote handling” concepts
- This work needs to be prepared in LS2, and executed in LS3 (at the latest) to make further exploitation of the LHC a success



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# Summary

- On the time scale of LS3, and provided the present operation scenario scales as discussed, we should expect aging-related and/or radiation induced failures in
  - The triplet magnets (Q2, MCBX) at Points 1 and 5
  - Warm magnets in the collimation region of Point 7
- By that time, a magnet exchange in the triplet may require  $\approx 1$  year (4...6 months cooling time, 6...8 months of work, scenario TBD)
- The situation for the warm magnets is less dramatic (few units concerned), provided the area is prepared

# *A must-do plan*

- During LS1
  - Protect most exposed warm magnets in the collimator area (4 MBW + 4 MQW)
  - Survey the triplet to prepare for repair in the following period (LS1-LS2)
- Between LS1 and LS2
  - Design modifications to collimator area for long term operation after LS3
  - Work out a baseline for triplet replacement after LS2, and design triplet modification for long term operation after LS3
- During LS2
  - Shield warm magnets in the collimator area (6 MBW + 29 MQW)
  - Prepare triplet area and tools for works in LS3
- During LS3
  - Preventive triplet exchange (?)
  - Modify hardware layout and (possibly) machine operation parameter of critical radiation exposed areas

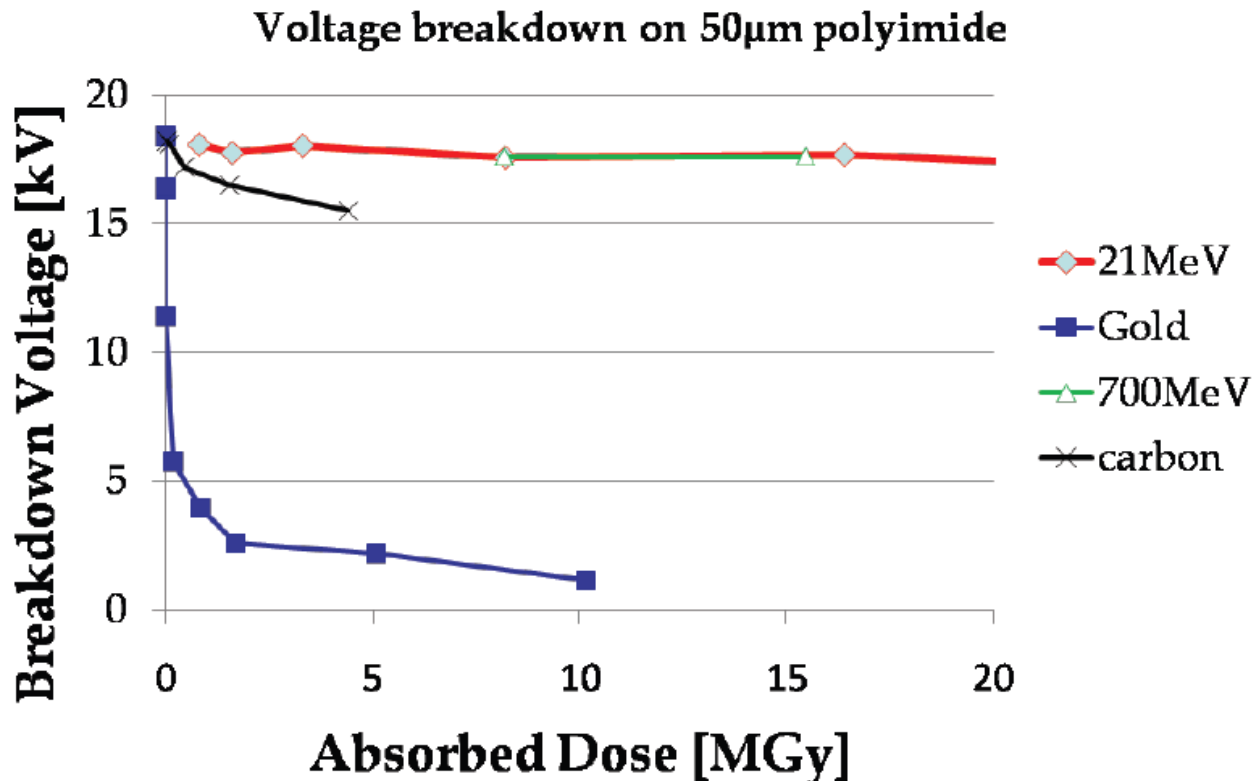


# Notes and *caveats*

1. The estimation is based on the infancy of hardware and operation, and before reaching full electro-mechanical stress conditions
2. This is obviously consistent with the present work (LS1, 18 cryo-magnets) and plans (LS2, in excess of 10 cryo-magnets)
3. According to benchmarking and expectations by F. Cerutti, (CERN EN-STI)
4. I strongly advocate for the development of hardware and procedures for the on-line monitoring of the dielectric strength of the LHC
5. A number of effects, such as ion irradiation (see next slides) may cause localised degradation, which is difficult to quantify today

# The ion case

Figure 12 refers to the results of an experiment recently carried out in the frame of a common scientific activity between CERN and GSI to understand the difference of electrical damage produced, at given absorbed doses, by different ionizing radiation on polyimide tapes. The effect of heavy-ion radiation on the dielectric strength is noticeable already at very low radiation doses.



**Fig. 12:** Dielectric strength of irradiated polyimide [courtesy R. Lopez, CERN, and T. Seidl, GSI]

# Observation of heavy-ion tracks in polyimide by means of high-resolution scanning electron microscopy

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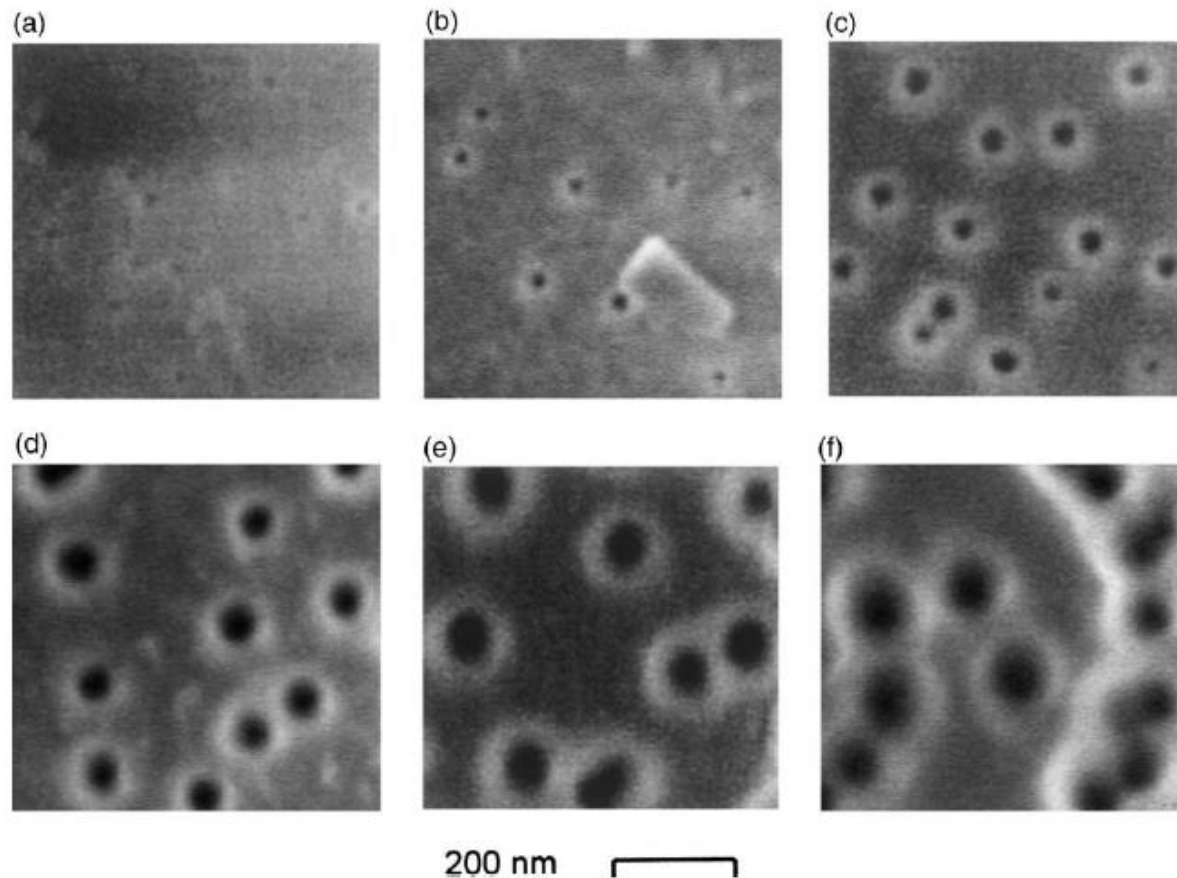


Fig. 1. HRSEM images of etched  $^{238}\text{U}$ -ion tracks in polyimide. The etching times of the samples displayed in panels (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) were 40 s and 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 min, respectively.

By courtesy of P. Fessia, CERN TE-MSC