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### Normal-conducting accelerator magnets

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# Lecture 3: Magnet production



Magnetic materials Manufacturing techniques QA & Acceptance tests Recurrent issues Magnetic measurements Cost estimates and optimization





Magnet manufacturing







# Massive vs. laminated yokes



### Historically, the primary choice was whether the magnet is operated in persistent mode or cycled (eddy currents)

- + no stamping, no stacking
- + less expensive for prototypes and small series
- time consuming machining, in particular for complicated pole shapes
- difficult to reach similar magnetic performance between magnets



- + steel sheets less expensive than massive blocks (cast ingot)
- + less expensive for larger series
- + steel properties can be easily tailored
- + uniform magnetic properties over large series
- expensive tooling



# Magnetic steel



### Today's standard: cold rolled, non-oriented electro-steel sheets (EN 10106)

- Magnetic and mechanical properties can be adjusted by final annealing
- Reproducible steel quality even over large productions
- Magnetic properties (permeability, coercivity) within small tolerances
- Homogeneity and reproducibility among the magnets of a series can be enhanced by selection, sorting or shuffling
- Material is usually cheaper, but laminated yokes are labour intensive and require more expensive tooling (fine blanking, stacking)





## Profile of steel strips



#### The rolling process produces a thickness variation perpendicular to the rolling direction:





#### Courtesy of ThyssenKrupp







Sheet thickness:  $0.3 \le t \le 1.5$  mm

Specific weight:  $7.60 \le \delta \le 7.85$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Electr. resistivity @20°C: 0.16 (low Si) ≤ *ρ* ≤ 0.61 μΩm (high Si)

2006

- Isovac 250-35HP Q direction

- Isovac 250-35HP L & Q direction



### Sheet insulation



#### Surface coating:

- electrical insulation of several μm thickness
- one or both sides
- oxid layer, phosphate layer, organic or inorganic coating





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# Other magnetic materials



#### 1. High purity irons

- Iron referred to as "high purity" when total concentration of impurities (mainly C, N, O, P, S ,Si and Al) does not exceed a few hundred ppm
- Otherwise Low Carbon Steel or Non-alloyed Steel
- Very pure Fe: high electrical conductivity  $\rightarrow$  not suitable for AC applications
- For high permeability at  $B > 1.2$  T it is advisable to anneal at max. 800 °C and cool down slowly

#### 2. Low-Carbon Steels

- e.g. type 1010
- Disadvantage: Magnetic ageing (increase of coercivity with time)
- 3. Non-grain oriented Silicon Steels (NGO)

Advantages:

- Increase in permeability
- Decrease in hysteresis loss
- Eddy current loss decrease due to higher resistivity (Al and Mn added as well)
- No ageing
- 4. Grain-oriented Silicon Steels
- 5. Iron alloys
	- a. Iron-Nickel
	- b. Iron-Cobalt alloys with high magnetic saturation
- 6. Compressed powdered Iron and Iron alloys
- 7. Ferrites
- 8. Innovative materials and rare earths

Reference: S. Sgobba: Physics & Measurements of Magnetic Materials, CAS 2009, Brugges

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# Yoke manufacturing



#### Stamping laminations

Stacking laminations into yokes

Gluing and/or welding

Machining

#### Assembly (preliminary)









# Lamination punching



- Punching or fine blanking
- Fine blanking requires more expensive tooling
- Tolerances less than  $+/- 8$  µm achievable (depending on thickness, material and layout)
- Material can be delivered in sheets or strips (coils)













## Alternatives to punching





### ...or a combination of different techniques



**Water Jet Cutter Head** 



### Yoke stacking





### Tooling for:

- stacking
- baking
- welding



















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# Bonding & insulation



#### Special coatings have been developed for the adhesive bonding of laminations:

- provide electrical insulation and mechanical bonding
- based on epoxy resins
- available in B-stage (partly cured) and C-stage (fully cured)
- Referred to as STABOLIT 70 by *ThyssenKrupp*



Courtesy of Rembrandtin



# Glueing vs. Welding



### **Welding**

- + mechanically more ridgig
- + no aging
- massive end plates/tension straps needed
- continous welding introduces stress and deformation
- sophisticated welding procedure / requires stacking fixture

### **Glueing**

- + no stress, no distortions
- + no tension straps, no end plates  $(\rightarrow$  no eddy currents)
- glue sensitive to radiation and aging
- requires clean laminations and conditions
- requires baking oven
- / requires stacking fixture

### Recommendation: combine gluing, welding & bolting









## Coil manufacturing



#### Define conductor type and material

#### Conductor insulation

#### Winding

### Ground insulation

### Epoxy impregnation







# Conductor materials







### Key-stoning: risk of insulation damage & decrease of cooling duct cross-section



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## Coil insulation



In a magnet coil, the electrical insulation ensures that current flows only along the conductors and not between individual conductors or between the conductors and other parts of the magnet

#### Dielectric materials can be distinguished in three main classes:

- inorganic materials: ceramics, glass, quartz, cements and minerals (e.g. mica)
- organic materials: thermoplastic (Rubber, PA (Nylon), PP, PS, PVC, PC, PTFE) or thermosetting: Polyethylene, PI, PEEK, Epoxy, phenolic, silicon, polyester resins
- composites: fully organic (aramidic fibres-epoxy tapes) or mixed (epoxy-mica tapes)

#### The electrical insulation is stressed by several factors:

- electric
- thermal
- mechanical
- chemical (including oxidation)
- radiation

#### A weak electrical insulation may produce:

- current leaks with local heating up to melting and possible fire
- progressive damage of the leakage path up to a short circuit
- unbalanced circulating currents ( $\rightarrow$  magnetic field distortion)
- incorrect functioning of protections

### Montsinger's rule / Arrhenius equation:  $L(T + 10K) \approx 0.5 t(T)$

A temperature rise of 10 K halves the expected live time of an insulation system





Reference: D. Tommasini: Dielectric insulation and high-voltage issues, CAS 2009, Brugges

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# Radiation hardness



### Radiation hardness is an important criterion for insulation materials used for accelerator applications



Above 10<sup>8</sup> Gy special insulation techniques are required!



### Radiation hardness







### Coil insulation



#### Conductors with small cross-section:

straigthening  $\rightarrow$  cleaning  $\rightarrow$  conductor insulation  $\rightarrow$  winding  $\rightarrow$  ground insulation



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### Coil insulation



### Conductors with large cross-section:

straigthening  $\rightarrow$  winding  $\rightarrow$  sand blasting  $\rightarrow$  cleaning  $\rightarrow$  conductor insulation  $\rightarrow$  ground insulation



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## Coil impregnation



heating and evacuating mold and coil (auto-clave or vacuum mold)  $\rightarrow$  mixing resing  $\rightarrow$ heating and degassing resin  $\rightarrow$  injecting resin  $\rightarrow$  curing cycle  $\rightarrow$  cooling





### By hand....







### ... or with the help of tooling



# Auxiliary components



- Electrical connections
- Hydraulic connections
- Interlock sytem (temperature, pressure, water flow)
- Magnetic measurement devices (pick-up coils, hall probes)
- Alignment tragets, adjustment tables and support jacks





## Hydraulic circuits



- Water cicuits are most critical items
- 95% of all magnet failures due to water leaks:
	- **Corrosion**
	- Errosion
	- Poor brazing quality
	- Poor welding quality
	- Failure or aging of joints
	- Inadequate materials
	- Incorrect assembly
	- Radiation damage
	- Inadequate design





- Leaks can be detected and repaired during magnet acceptance tests and commissioning...
	- ... but, many leaks occur only after years in operation
	- Often not monitored  $\rightarrow$  magnet damage (short cicuits, corrosion of iron yoke) and collateral damages on other equipment possible



## Interlock Sensors



#### Thermo-switch:







A Housing<br>B Contact arm<br>C Ceramic insulator D Laser weld<br>E Bimetal disc

F Ceramic transfer pin<br>G Cap<br>H Gold alloy contacts<br>I Glass header<br>J Terminals

Flow-switch:





# QA & Acceptance tests



### QA is important at each production stage

- Constant monitoring of critical items from the raw material, to semi-finished parts, to subcomponents to the final product
- Sample testing (destructive or non-destructive) to qualify materials, manufacturing techniques and processes
- Acceptance test can include electrical, hydraulic, mechanical, thermal, and magnetic measurements
- Tests/measurements can be systematically (entire series) or on specific/random samples
- Complete recording and documentation indispensible (back-tracing in case of doubts or failures)







Typically the following samples are tested to validate material performance and production processes:

- **Magnetic steel**
- **Laminations**
- Bond strenght (lamination)
- **Brazing**
- Welding
- **Bond**
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## Recurrent quality issues



Despite a severe quality control by the manufacturer, we often find quality deficiencies during the acceptance tests and certification at CERN

Amongst several other recurrent issues, the following are the most frequent and most serious:

- Poor brazing quality
- Poor bonding stength
- Poor coil insulation/impregantion
- Insufficient rust protection
- Loose or moving parts
- Covers not respecting IP2X
- Insufficient cable cross-section
- Obstructed cooling circuits
- Transport damages due to inadequate packaging

### Recurrent quality issues



#### Lack/excess of brazing filler









## Recurrent quality issues



Lack of resin: bubbles, voids, fissures, cracks, poor penetration, poor wetting Excess of resin: volumes of pure resin





## Recurrent quality issues



### Poor lamination bonding stength







### Cost estimate



#### Production specific tooling:

5 to 15 k€/tooling

#### Material:

Steel sheets: 1.0 - 1.5 € /kg

Copper conductor: 10 to 20  $\epsilon$ /kg

#### Yoke manufacturing:

Dipoles: 6 to 10  $\epsilon$  /kg (> 1000 kg) Quads/Sextupoles: 50 to 80  $\epsilon$ /kg (> 200 kg) Small magnets: up to 300  $\epsilon$ /kg

#### Coil manufacturing:

Dipoles: 30 to 50  $\epsilon$  /kg (> 200 kg) Quads/Sextupoles: 65 to 80  $\epsilon$ /kg (> 30 kg) Small magnets: up to 300  $\epsilon$ /kg

#### Contingency:

10 to 20 %



NOT included: magnetic design, supports, cables, water connections, alignment equipment, magnetic measurements, transport, installation Prices for 2011



# Cost optimization



### *Focus on economic design!*

Design goal: Minimum total costs over projected magnet life time by optimization of capital (investment) costs against running costs (power consumption)





### Cost optimization





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# Consider alternatives!



So far we have discussed only normal-conducting, iron-dominated magnets operated in dc… but this might not always be the best choice!

- Permanent magnets (Sm2Co17)
- Hybrid magnets
- Use of high-saturation materials
- Superconducting / super-ferric magnets
- Pulsed operation



#### EAST AREA ANNUAL POWER CONSUMPTION AFTER CONSOLIDATION



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## Future challenges: CLIC



