Eliminating field distortions caused by the HTS beam screen coating in FCC dipole magnets

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1) Abstract:

In order to decrease the beam impedance the beam screen of the FCC ring is planned to receive a high-temperature superconductor coating. However, the persistent currents induced in the coating would distort the ring's magnetic field.

Rather than trying to suppress this effect we examine the possibility to use a tailored thickness profile of the coating such that these currents produce a field with the same symmetry as the external field, giving an offset to the dipole field rather than distorting it.

2) Problem:

A resistive (copper) beam screen would limit the intensity of the FCC beam. Planned solution: reduce the beam impedance by a thin HTS coating on the beam screen [1]. However, such a superconducting layer would distort the field, introducing higher order components via the persistent Eddy currents [2]. The distortion is more significant at low field, therefore we optimized the coating's thickness at 1 T (injection).

3) Proposed solution:

Instead of trying to eliminate the persistent currents (difficult), we can try to master them. Goal: find a **specific thickness profile of the coating** such that the field generated by the Eddy currents have the **same symmetry** as the external field. This does **not distort** the field, only **adds an offset** to it, which can be compensated by adjusting the power supply.

Note: if $J_c(B)$ =const and the beam screen is cylindrical, $d(\vartheta)$ ~cos(ϑ) would give a dipole contribution.

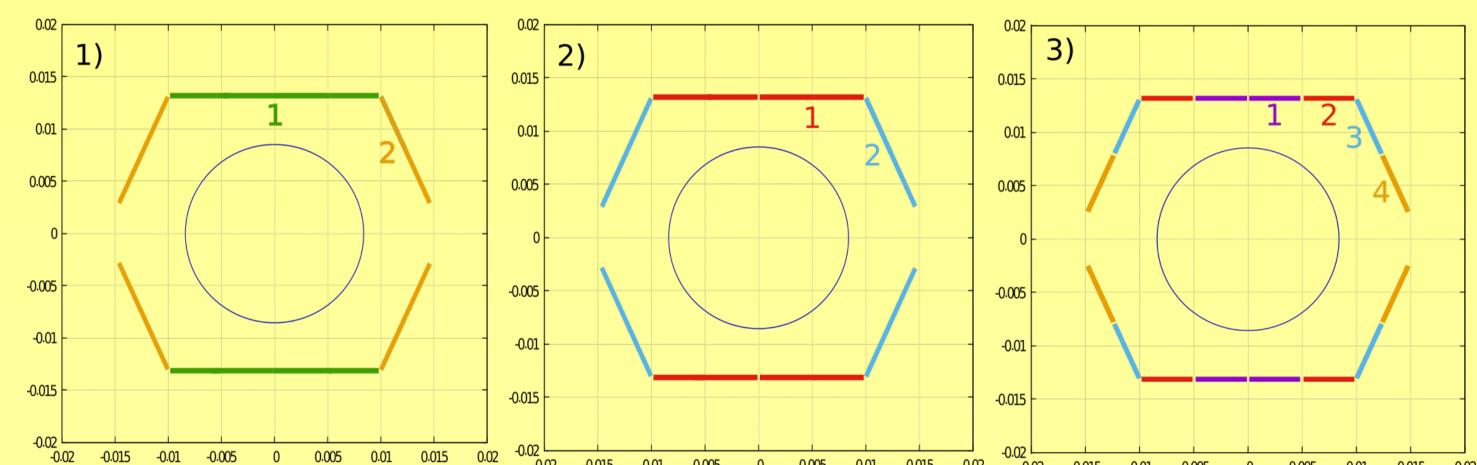


Figure 1: Three possible configurations. Colors indicate segment groups with the same thickness of the HTS layer. The circle in the middle is at the 2/3 of the beam screen inner diameter where the generated field was sampled

4) Assumptions:

- Calculate the fields in 2D and assume the set-up is infinitely long in the third dimension
- The cross-section of the beam screen is constructed of straight segments. HTS thickness is constant within a segment.
- •Segments are grouped according to symmetry (see Fig. 1) All segments within a group have the same thickness d_i.
- •The field generated by the Eddy currents is much smaller than the external field evaluate $J_c(B)$ at the external field. Different parts of the HTS coating do not interact, so they can be treated independently.
- Substitute the HTS layers by infinitely thin surface currents: d_i·J_c(B)

5) Calculations:

- I) Determine the current density within the segments. In dipole external field this is simply $\pm J_c(B,\beta)$ in the two halves of the segment where β is the angle of the segment w.r.t. the external field. For a quadrupole field this step is more complicated.
- II) Numerically integrate the contribution of one segment group *i* to the vector potential at any point (x,y), assuming unit thickness of the HTS layer.
- III) Sample the vectorpotential around a circle (at 2/3 "aperture") and Fourier-transform it to get the multipole components: $F_{i,m}$ is the m^{th} multipole component due to the segment group i.
- IV) Due to the negligible interaction between segments, the problem is linear. The total multipole component with layer thicknesses disobtained as (sum over all segment groups):

$$F_{m} = \sum_{i} d_{i} F_{i,m}$$

V) A given multipole component m can be exactly cancelled with physical thicknesses (all $d_i>0$) if not all F_{im} have the same sign.

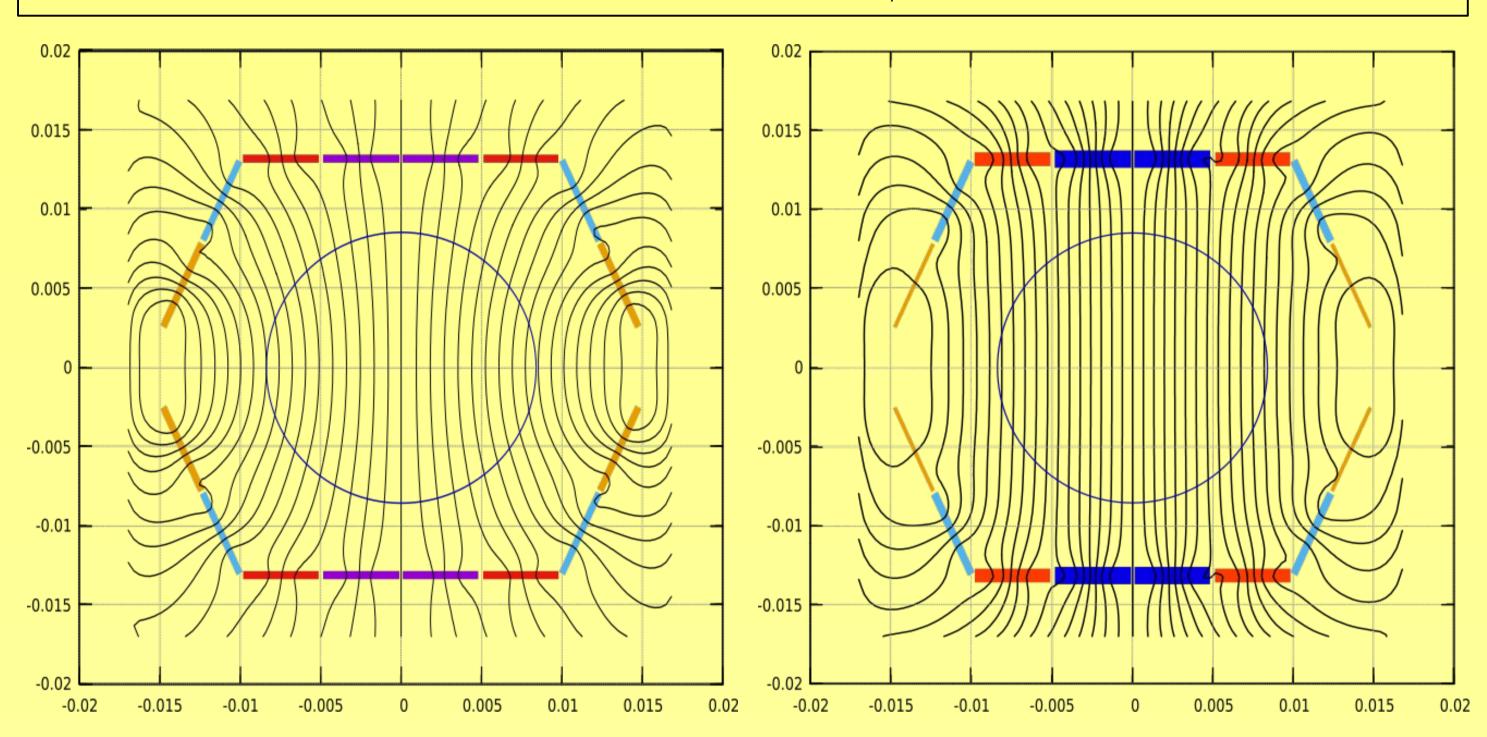


Figure 2: The B field inuced by the beam screen in case of 1 μm tapes (left), and with a tailored thickness profile (right), both in case of 1T dipole external field

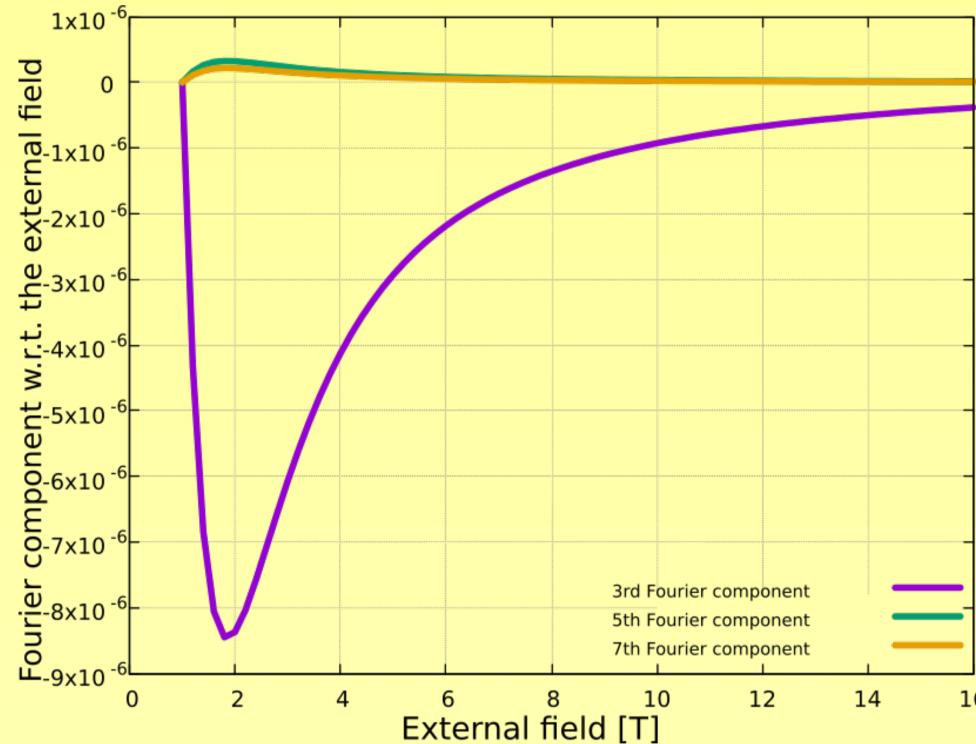


Figure 3: Multipole components as a function of B for configuration 3 (thickness profile optimized at B=1 T)

6) Results:

Thanks to the setup's symmetry the even multipole components are zero.

- 1^{st} configuration: zero sextupole component is achiveable if the ratio is $d_1:d_2=0.772$.
- 2^{nd} configuration: to eliminate the sextupole component the thickness ratio has to be $d_1:d_2=4.607$.
- 3^{rd} configuration: It is possible to simultaneously eliminate the m=3,5,7 components with the following $d_1:d_2:d_3:d_4$ thickness ratio:

3.630: 3.032: 2.015: 1

In the 1st and 2nd case the first nonzero component (decapole) is **5**% and **3**% w.r.t. the dipole component of the coating (both are around **0.4**% of the external dipole field)

In the 3rd case the 11th component was the biggest one, still being only **0.15**% of the dipole component, and **0.01**% of the external field.

The induced field can be seen in Fig. 2.

7) Conclusion and outlook:

A tailored thickness profile could drastically reduce the distortion of an external dipole field.

To do: use the same method (with a more complicated algorithm to determine the Eddy currents) to minimize the distortions in a quadrupole external field.

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