

Results of the Development of a High Current HTS Cable for Accelerator Magnet Applications

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Outline

- Scope
- Baseline choices
- Tapes
- Cables
- Characterization
- Outlook

Scope of the program

- WP10: Develop a **5 T dipole** magnet with a bore of **40 mm diameter** with consideration of **accelerator quality** (ramping operation, field quality, protection)
- WP10.2: Develop a **10 kA-class conductor** suitable for the coil winding
 - High current density ($J_E > 400 \text{ A/mm}^2$)
 - Flexible, for winding on a small radius ($\approx 20 \text{ mm}$)
 - Long length ($UL > 30 \text{ m}$)
 - Enough stabilizer for practical detection and protection times
 - Transposed (**is this just common wisdom ?**)

Initial targets (kick-off on 14 June 2013)

Tape

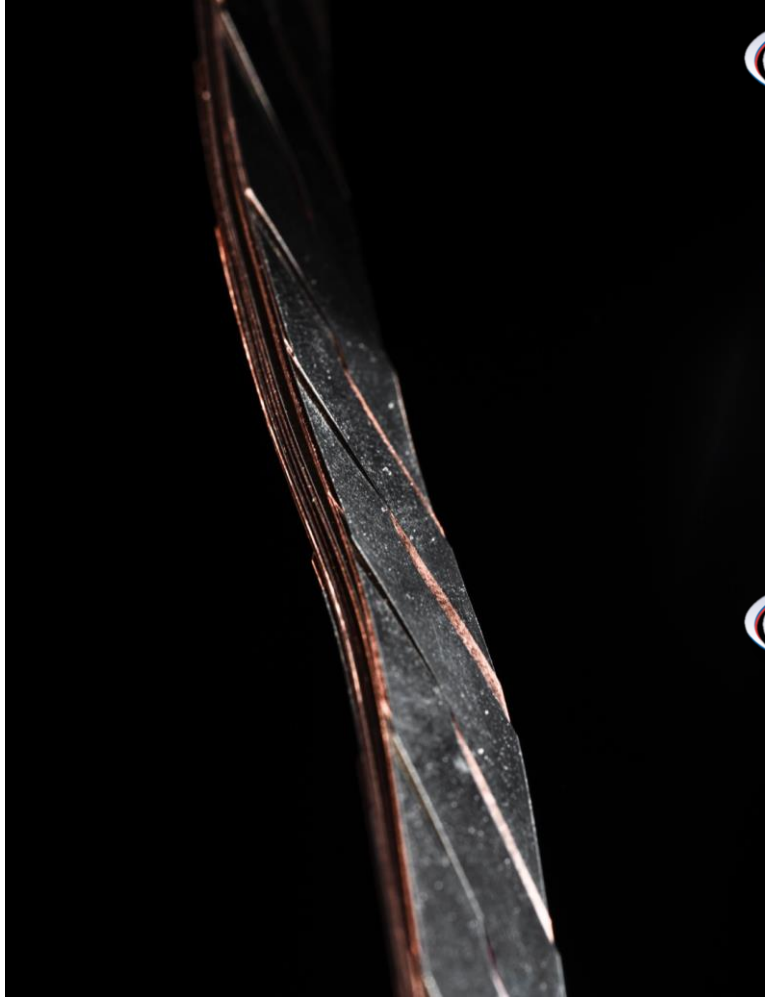
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σ (I_C) within a unit length	(%)	10
M(1.5 T, 10 mT/s)	(mT)	300
Range of $\sigma_{\text{transverse}}$	(MPa)	100
Range of $\varepsilon_{\text{longitudinal}}$	(%)	± 0.3
Unit length	(m)	100

Cable

parameter	units	target
I_C (20T, 4.2 K)	(kA)	10
<i>Provisional width</i>	(mm)	10
<i>Provisional thickness</i>	(mm)	1.5
Effective contact resistance	($\mu\Omega$)	5

Material and geometry

EuCARD2 Roebel dummy



REBCO

- High J_E ($\approx 800 \text{ A/mm}^2$) and steady improvement (BZO, stoichiometry control, SC layer thickness, smaller substrate)
- High mechanical strength substrate
- *Trivial* coil technology (conductor “ready-to-go”, no HT processing)
- Available from several producers worldwide

ROEBEL cable

- Compact cable, high J_E
- Transposed cable vs. transverse field
- Easy bending in the parallel direction
- Can be produced automatically on long lengths (e.g. GCS, KIT)

Baseline cable designs

REBCO Tape

Tape width (before punching)	(mm)	12
SC layer	(μm)	1 ... 2
Cu layer	(μm)	2 x 20
Substrate	(μm)	50 ... 100
Tape thickness	(mm)	0.1 ... 0.15
Critical current (4.2 K, 20 T _{perpendicular})	(A)	≥ 670

Protection !?!

Roebel cable

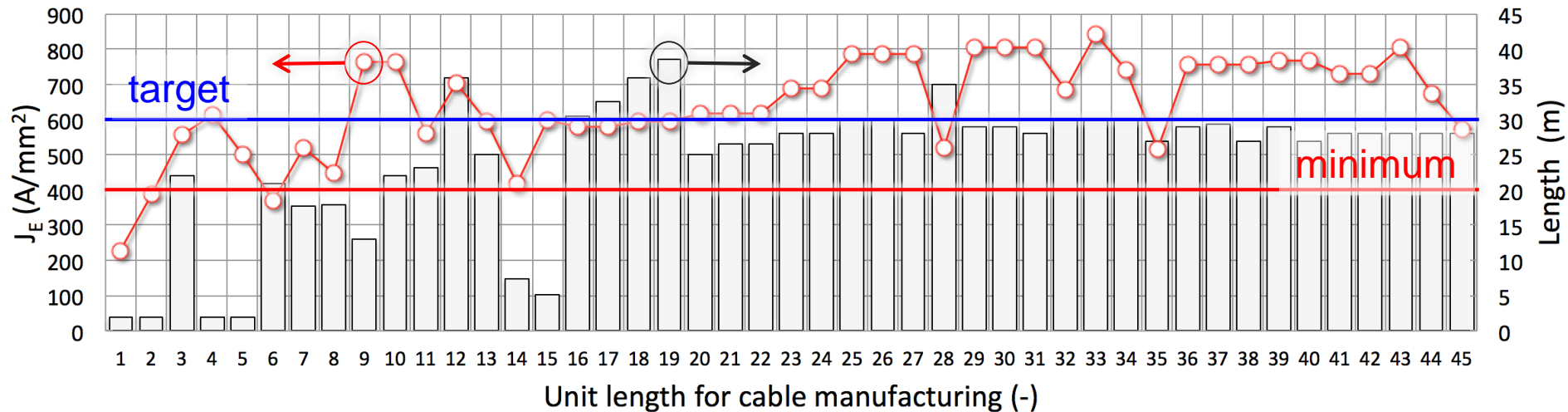
Number of tapes	(-)	13 ... 15 (17)
Width	(mm)	12
Thickness	(mm)	0.9 ... 1.1 \pm 0.1
Transposition pitch	(mm)	226 300
Critical current (4.2 K, 20 T _{perpendicular})	(kA)	≥ 4.8 ... 5.8

**Allow for tape
slippage during
winding**



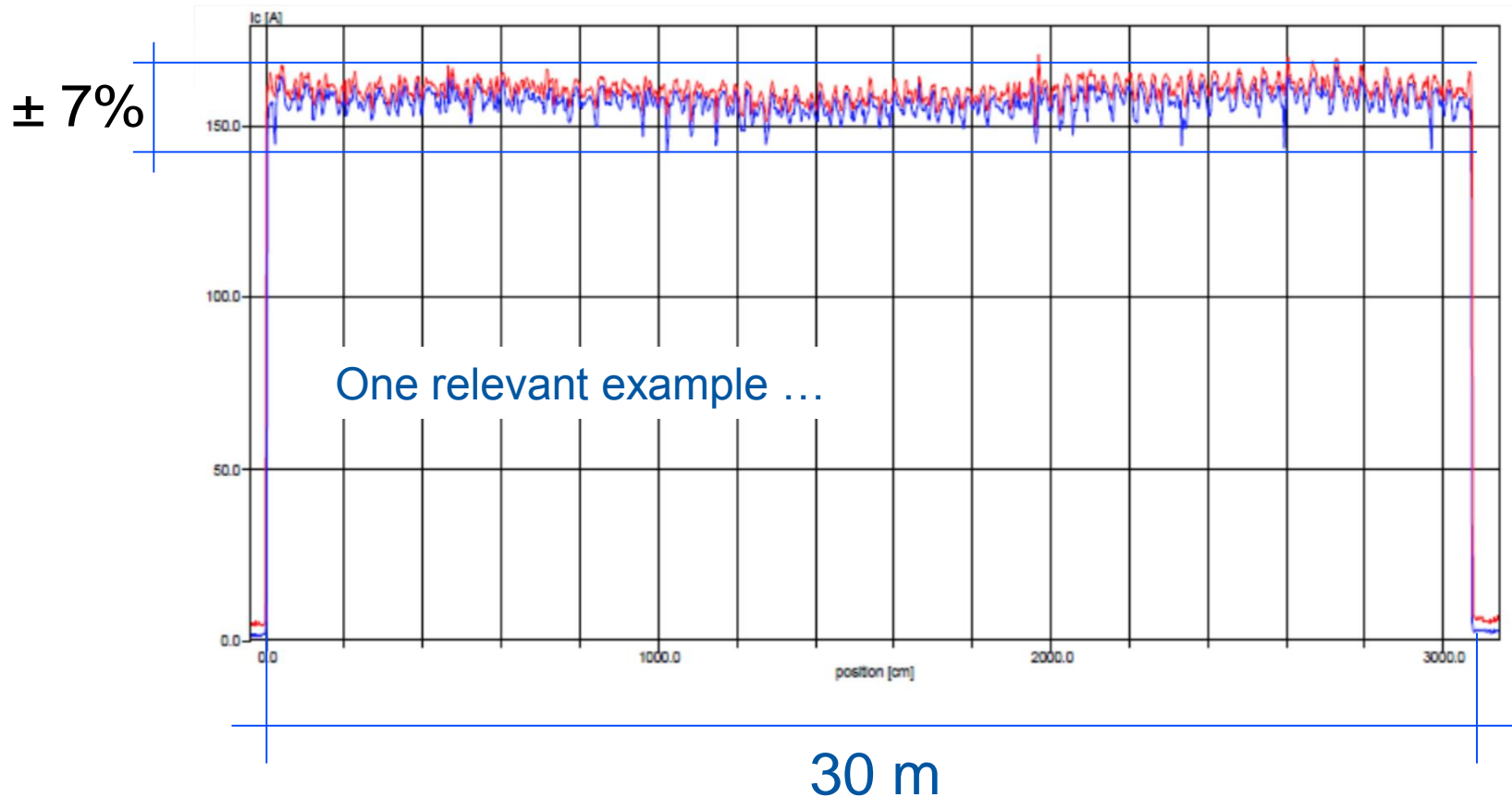
Tapes

Tape production for EuCARD2

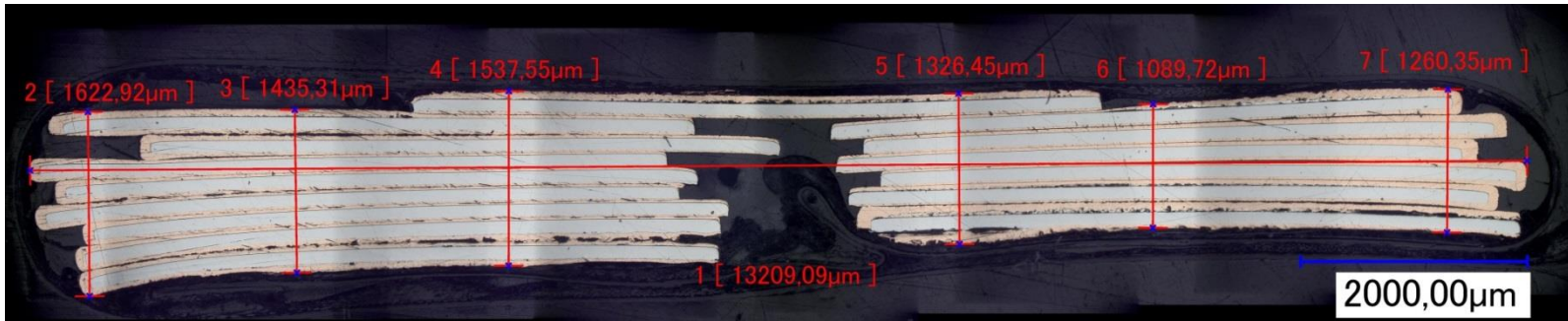


- A total of more than 1 km of 12 mm tape was produced:
 - All tapes above the minimum set J_E of 400 A/mm²
 - most tapes, and especially present production, largely exceed the target J_E of 600 A/mm² (on a 100 μ m substrate !)
 - Record J_E (4.2 K, 18 T) 956 A/mm² (not yet used in cable)
 - Production length is 90 m, cut for processing to 30 m
- An additional length of about 2 km procured by CERN (different producers) as complement material to the EuCARD2 program

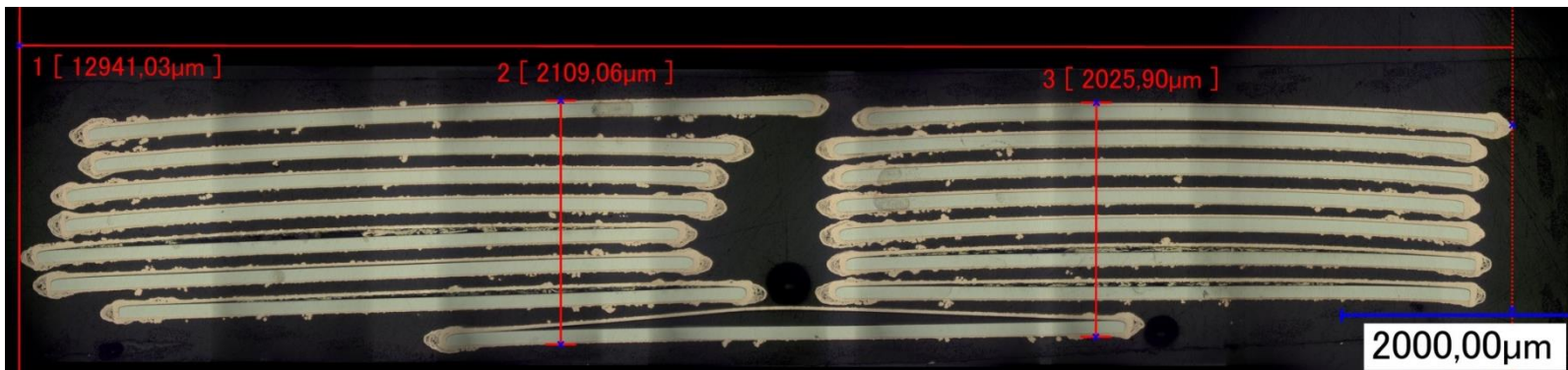
Homogeneity



Cables



$t = 1.6 \text{ mm}$
 $w = 13.3 \text{ mm}$



$t = 2.1 \text{ mm}$
 $w = 12.9 \text{ mm}$



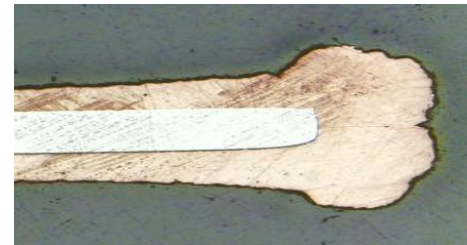
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 $w = 12.3 \text{ mm}$

time

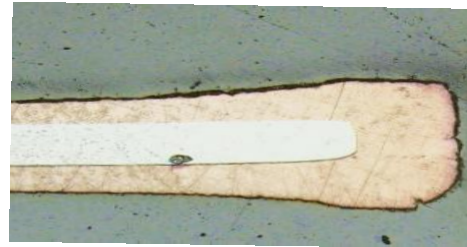
Punch-and-coat

- Standard Roebel production sequence
 - Produce Cu-coated tape
 - Punch meanders
 - Assemble cable
- Modified Roebel production sequence
 - Produce Ag-capped tape
 - Punch meanders (less than 5% I_C degradation !)
 - Cu-coat (dog-boning !)
 - Assemble cable

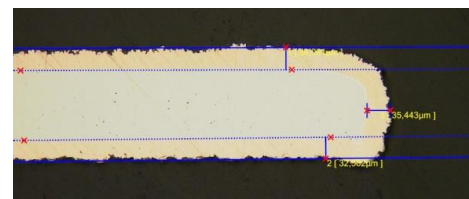
Ag capped punched tape



2x40 µm coating



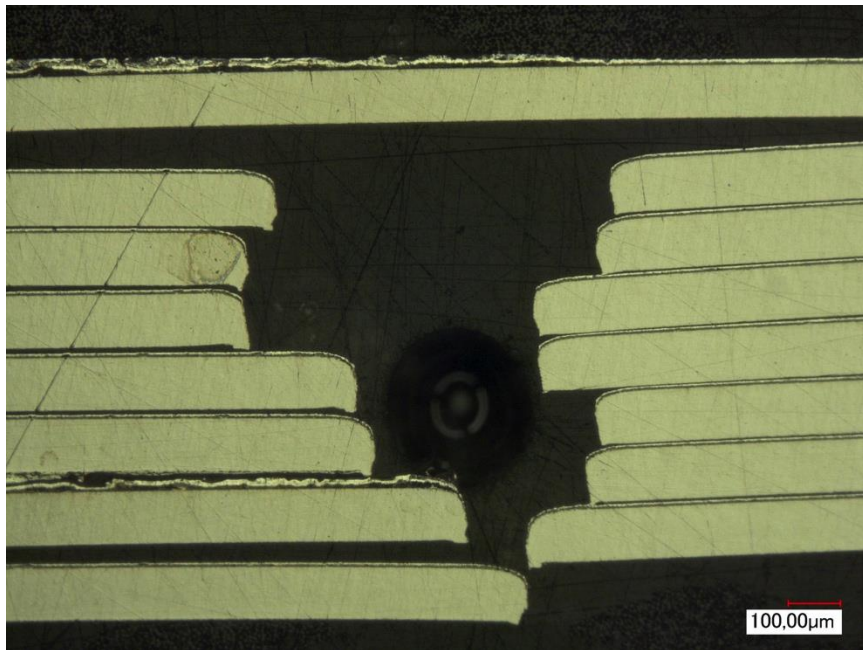
2x20 µm coating



Optimized
2x20 µm coating

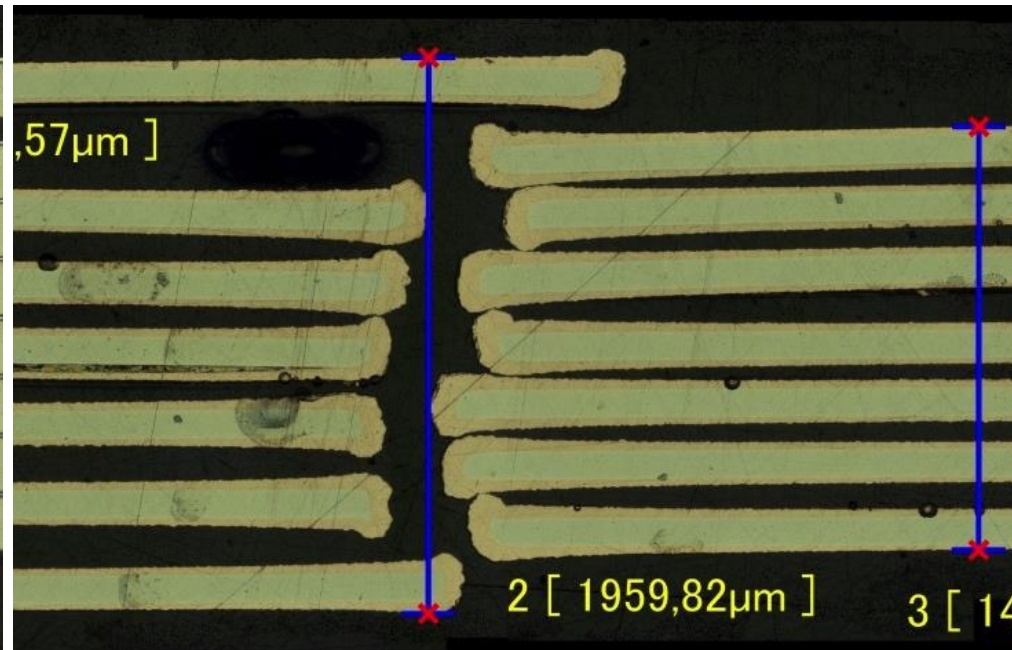
Cable technology

Punching of coated tape



Presence of burrs and danger of de-lamination

Punch-and-coat sequence

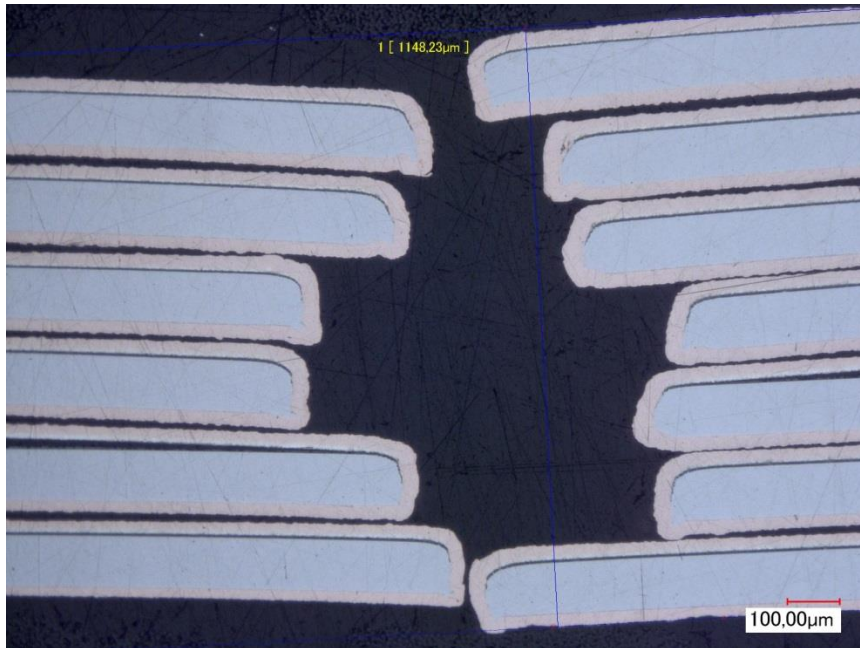


Tapes are enclosed in the Ag and Cu cap that seals them off

Cable technology

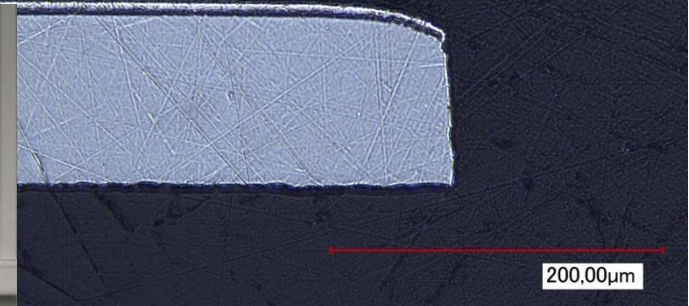
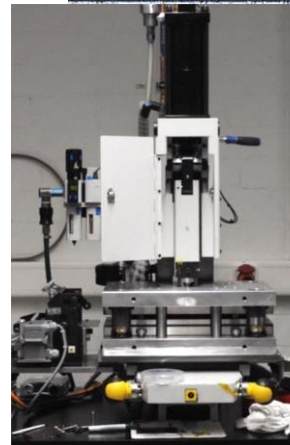


Flexible cutting tool



Multi-punching step, larger final tolerances

Optimized tool



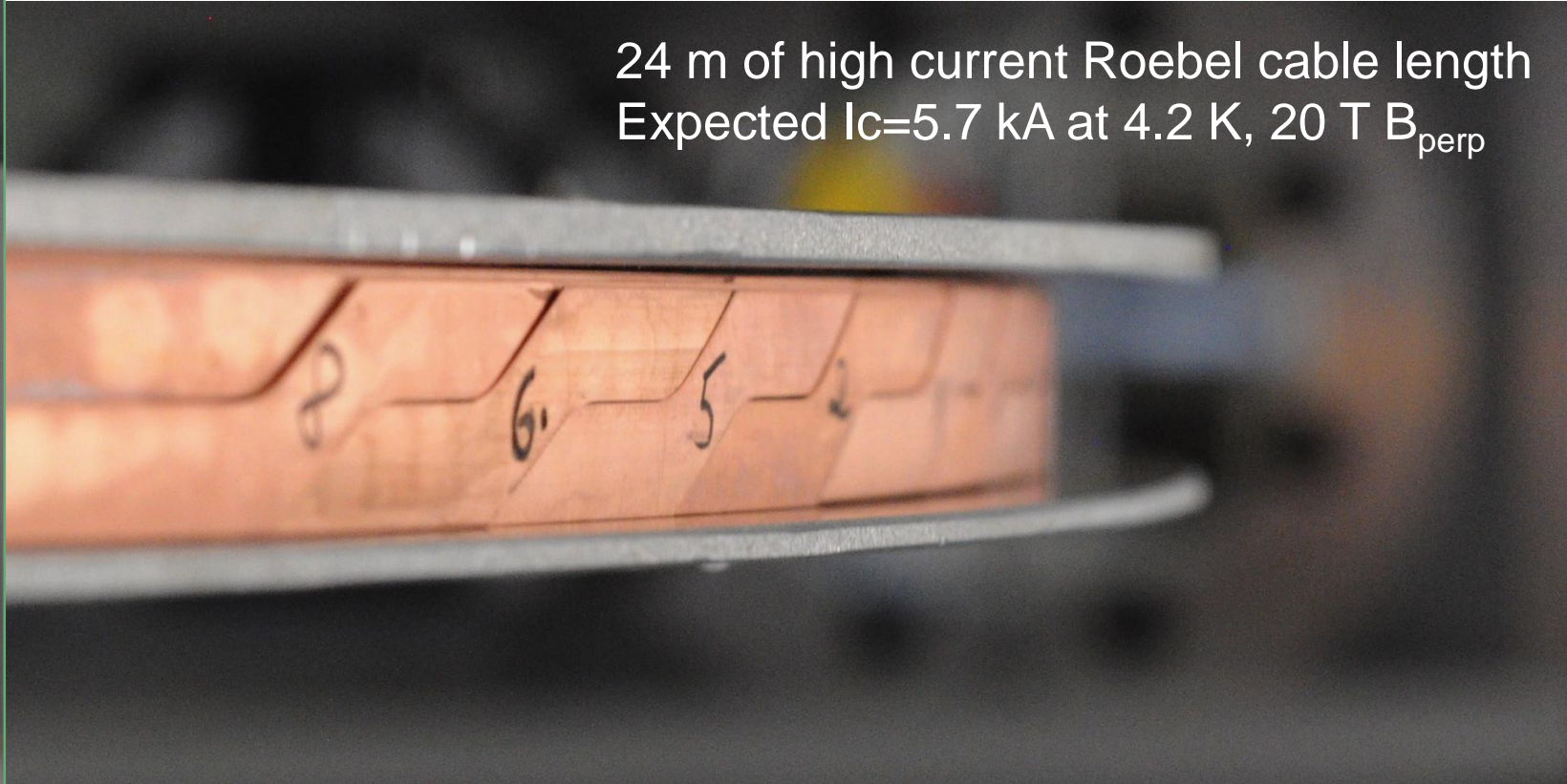
Single punching step, tight tolerances



See: 4LP4-08

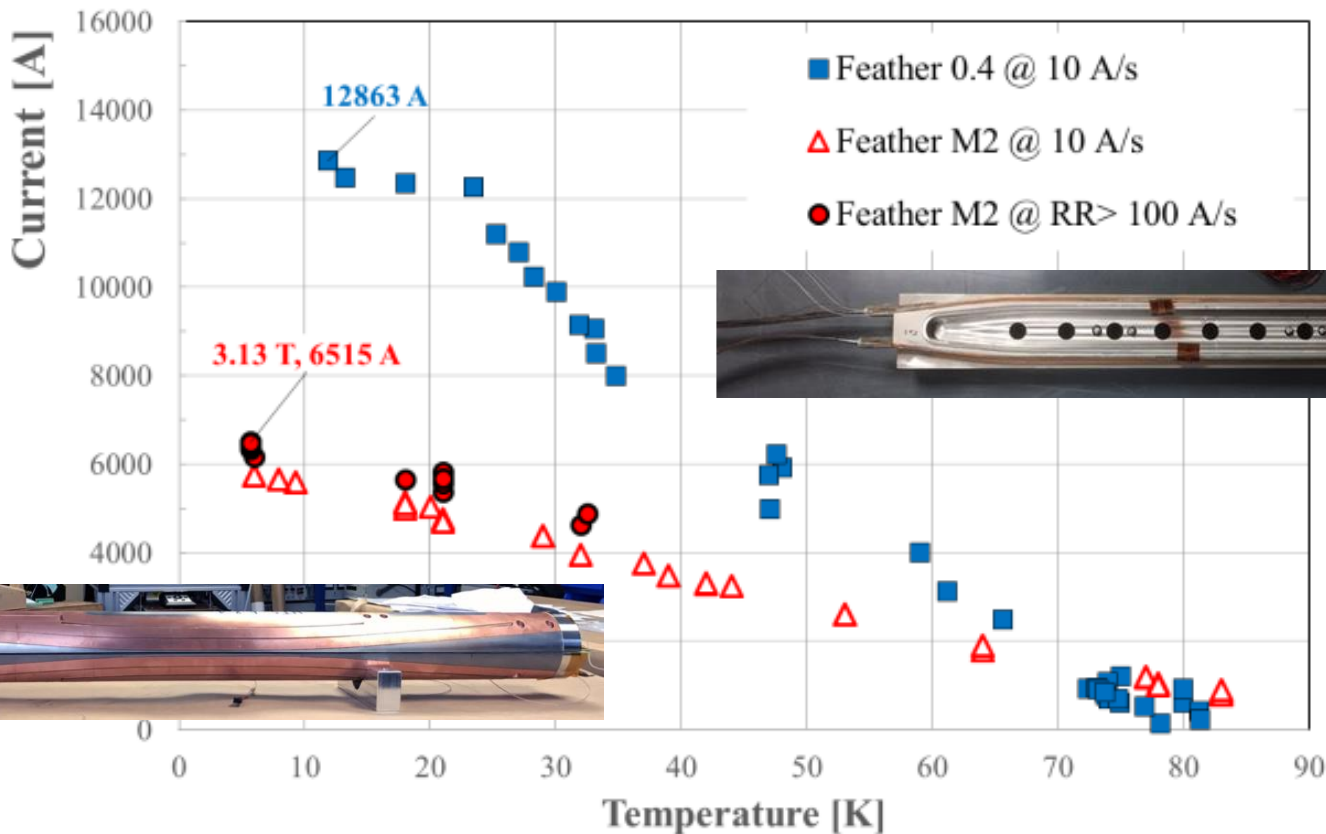
First full length (January 2017)

24 m of high current Roebel cable length
Expected $I_c=5.7$ kA at 4.2 K, 20 T B_{perp}



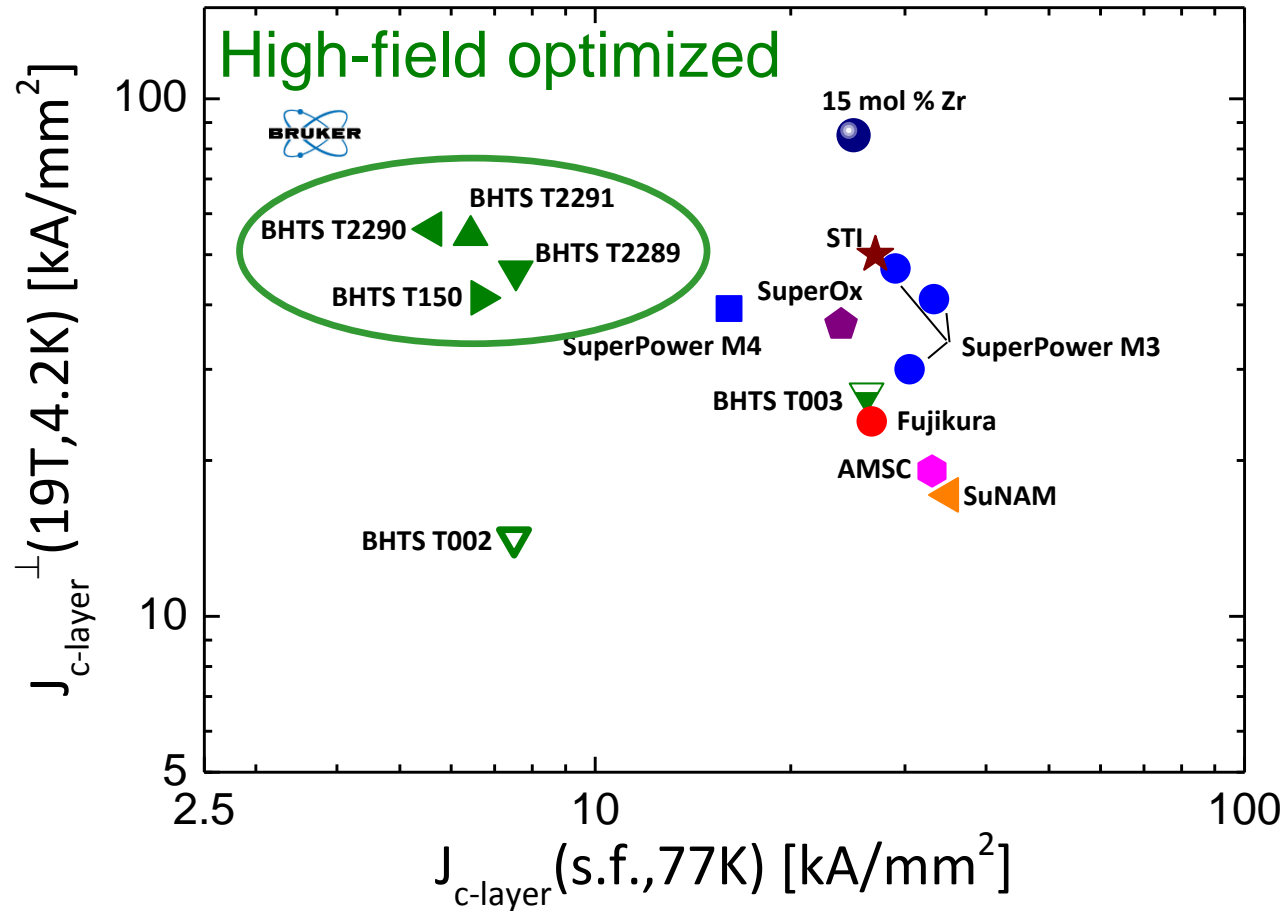
Semi-automatic Roebel cabling machine at KIT
Reel-to-reel system demonstrated up to **100 m**, with the possibility to upgrade the process to lengths in the range of 200...300 m

Coil I_C measurements

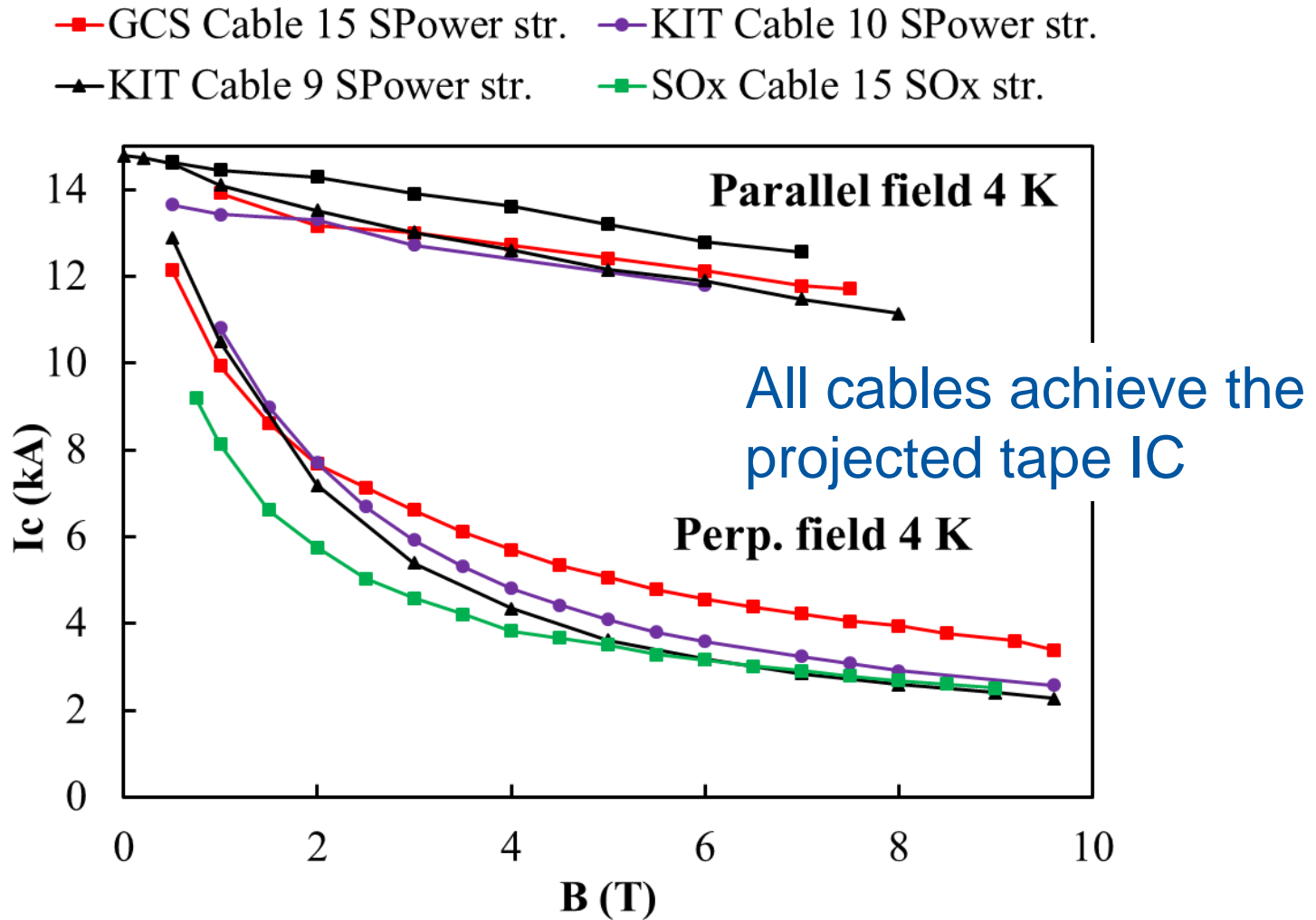


The cables reach $I_C(B, T)$ (as far as we could tell from the data analysis)
Stability and training are not longer a feature (I am out of job)

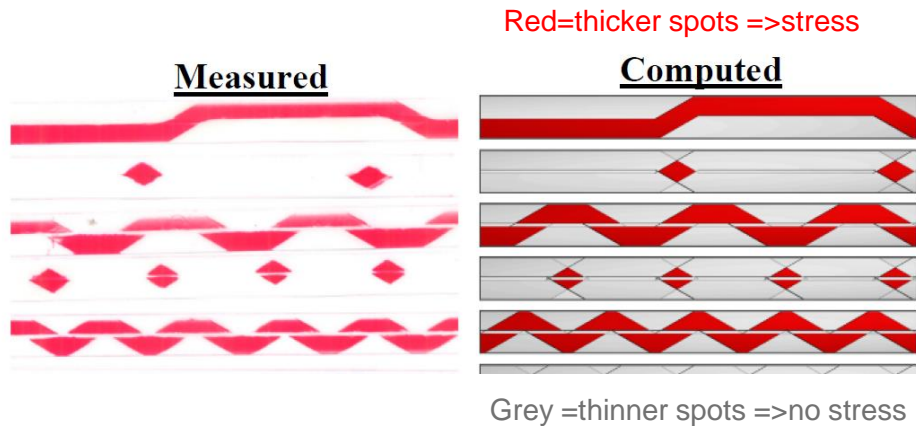
Master plot



Cable Ic

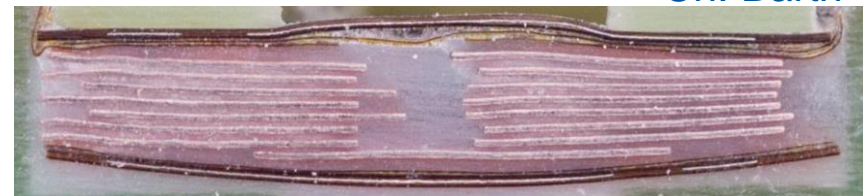


Transverse forces



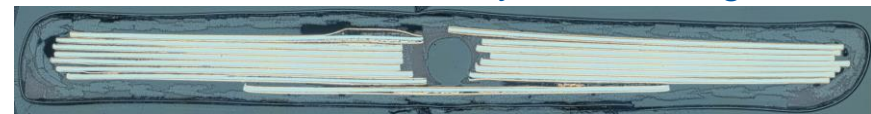
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Impregnation as means to spread stress
Ch. Barth



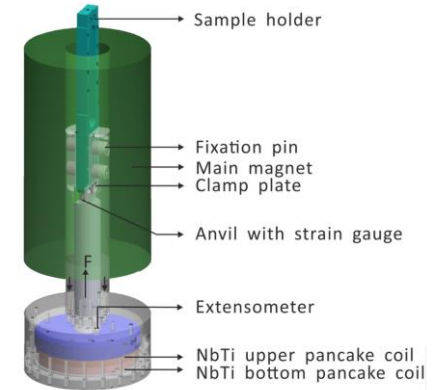
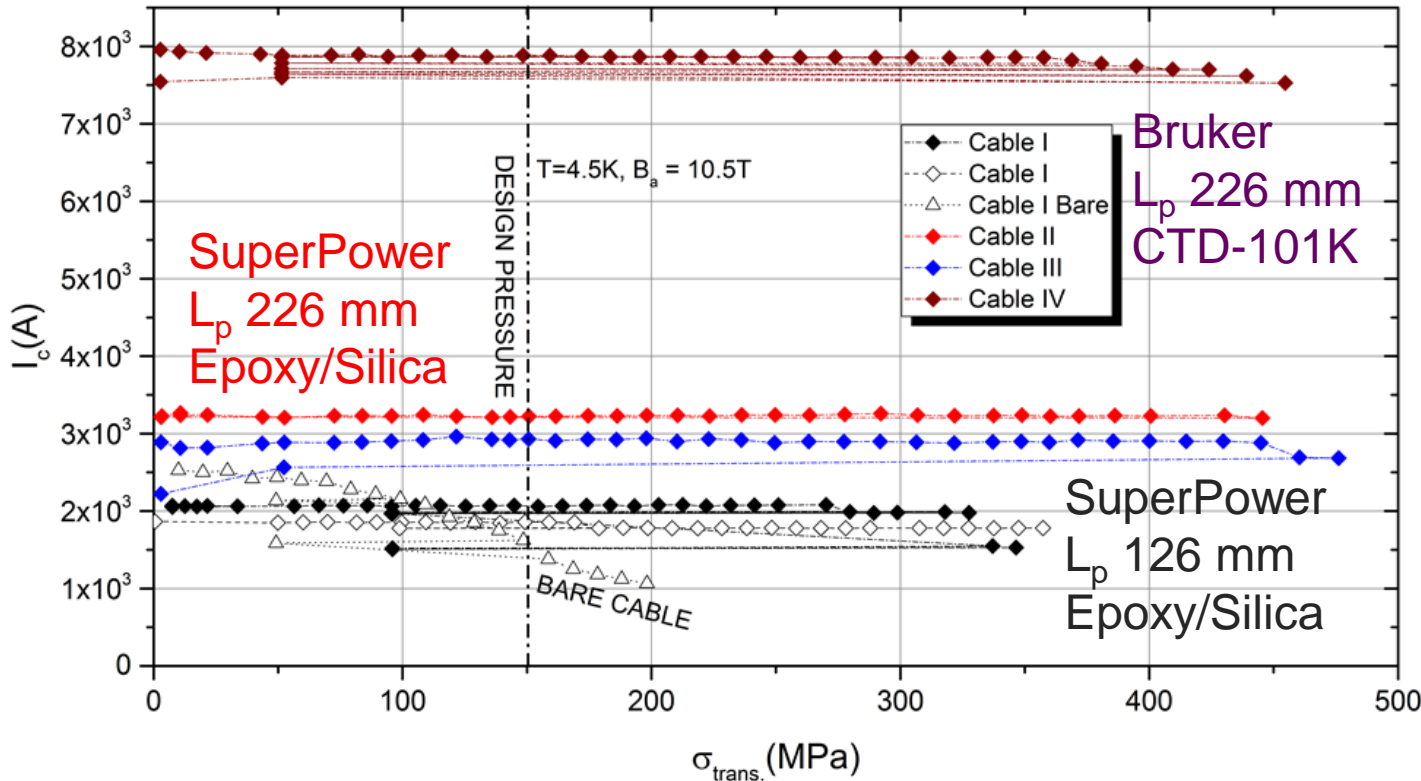
KIT: 1:1 epoxy-fused silica

G. Kirby, J. van Nugteren

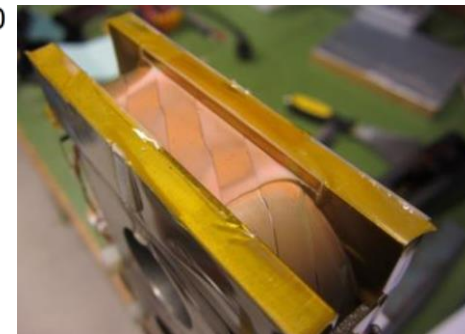


CERN: CTD101G

I_c vs. $F_{\text{transverse}}$

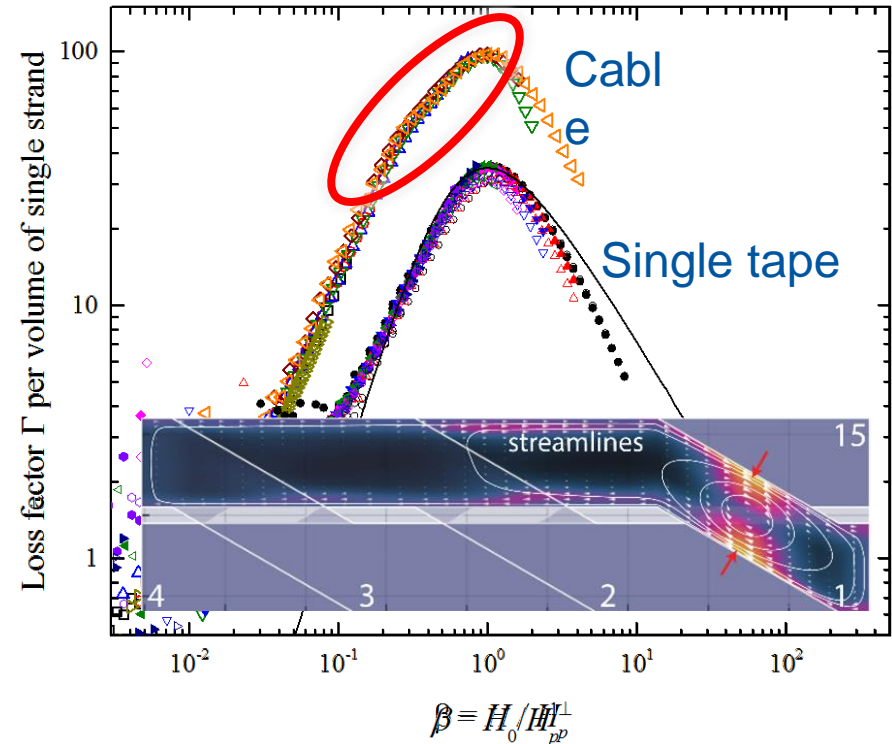
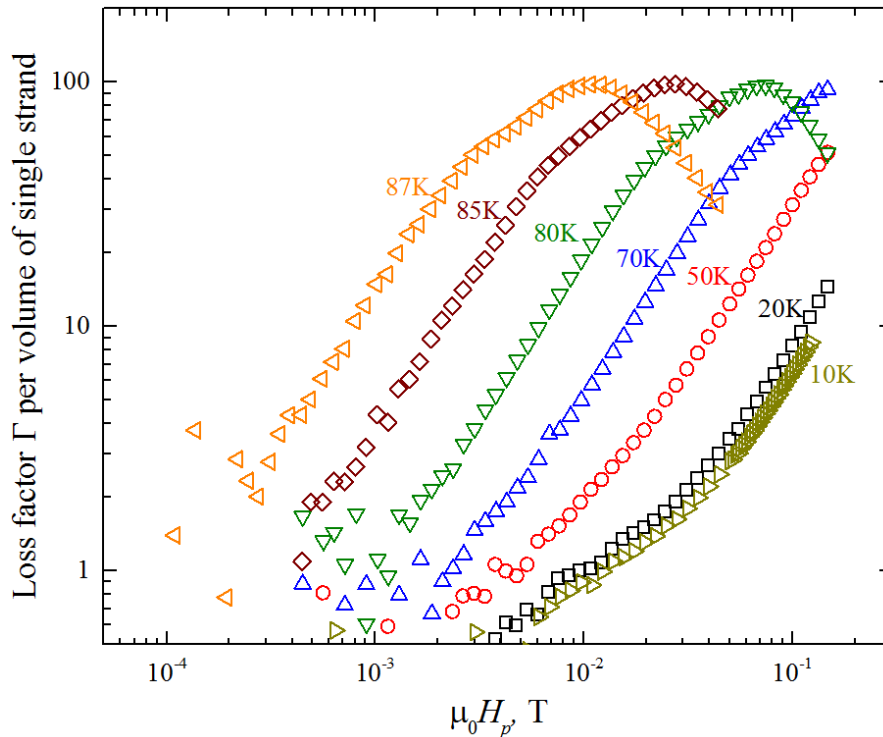


SuperPower
 L_p 226 mm
CTD-101K



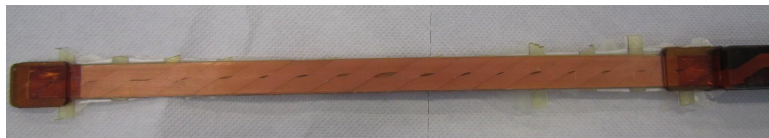
Impregnation provides a solution to stress concentration.
Impregnated cables withstand stress up to 400 MPa !

Hysteresis & coupling

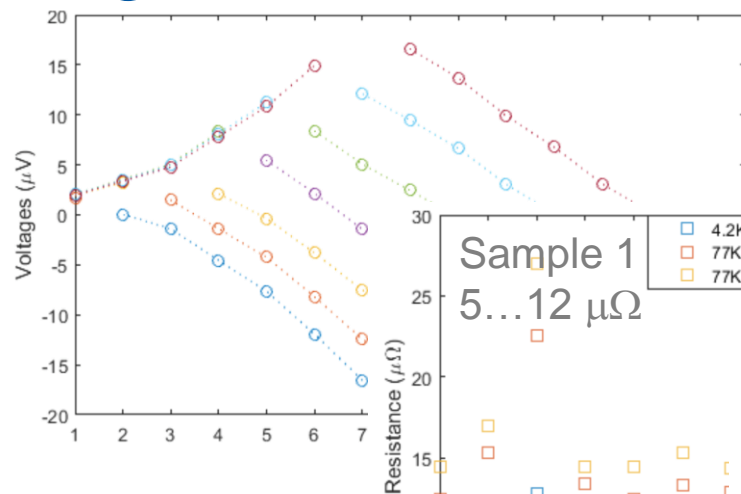


- Losses are dominated by hysteresis, coupling (inter-tape currents) are not visible
- Hysteresis scales with H_0/H_p as expected (Norris' strip)
- Assemblies of tapes are magnetically coupled, i.e. as a monolithic conductor, but not quite fully

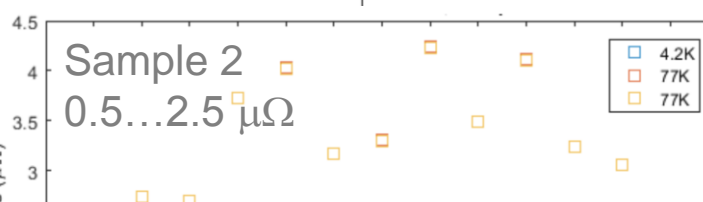
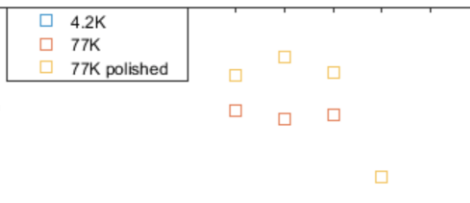
R_C



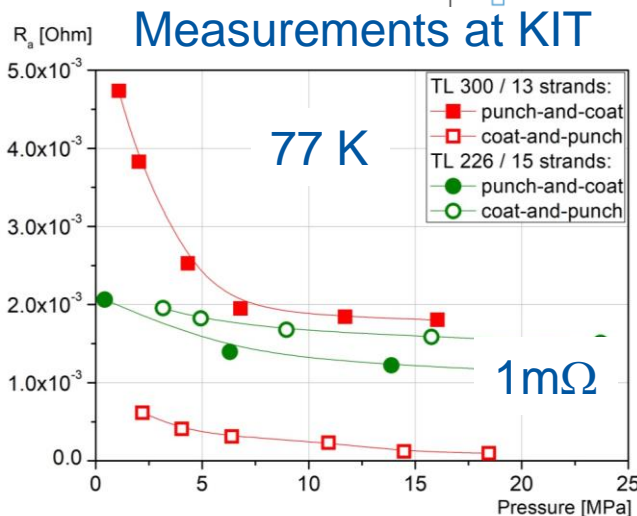
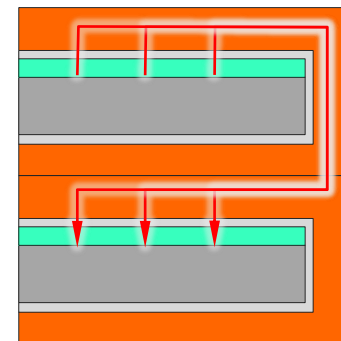
Strong effect of temperature observed, a factor 2 R_C reduction from 77 K to 4.2 K, consistent with large contribution from Cu



Sample 1
5...12 $\mu\Omega$



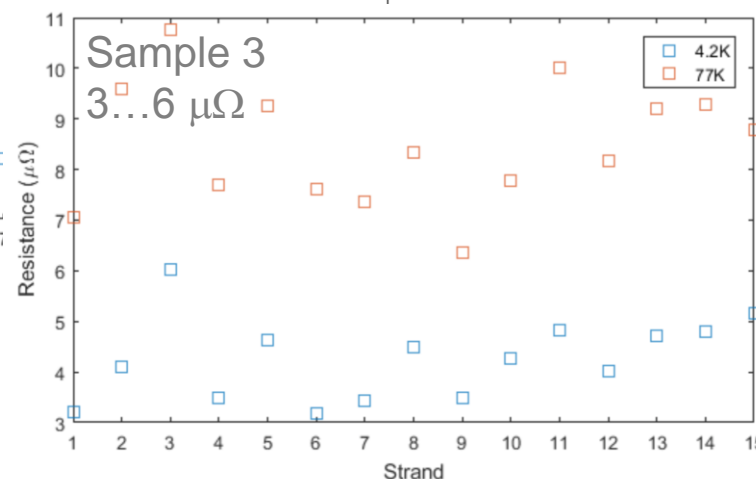
Sample 2
0.5...2.5 $\mu\Omega$



77 K

Pressure [MPa]

from 1 to 10 $\mu\Omega$,
g in the cable



Sample 3
3...6 $\mu\Omega$

Strand

Achievements (closing on 31 April 2017)

Tape

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Unit length	(m)	100	✓

Cable

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I_C (20T, 4.2 K)	(kA)	10	✓
Width	(mm)	12 ± 0.1	
Thickness	(mm)	1.0 ± 0.1	
Effective contact resistance	($\mu\Omega$)	5	✓

What is left to do ?

- A few issues remain open:
 - Complete the validation of the final cable geometry in cable and magnet tests, especially including **thermal cycles and a check for degradation**
 - Verify **quench detection and protection**, measure temperatures, propagation speed and voltage development
 - Understand **magnetization values** (some surprising effect on field quality) and their control, including coupling and the effect of striation
 - **Define longitudinal strain limits** for winding and operation
 - **Joint technique** suitable for integration in a magnet construction
- EuCARD2 WP10 (Future Magnets) has provided a **strong focus** to the development of HTS cables for large-scale accelerator magnets. How to maintain momentum ?
 - On-going EU-FPT ARIES provides continuity
 - **More material is needed**, tapes and cables to feed the magnet program

A few references at EUCAS

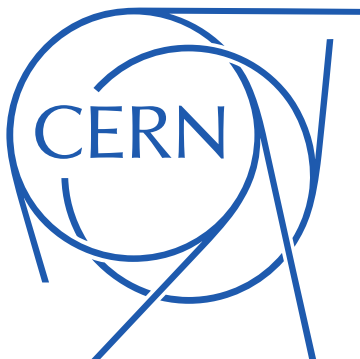


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- 4LP4-11: Y. Yang, "Quench Characteristics of 2G YBCO Roebel Cable in a Pancake Coil"
- 1LP3-01: S. Otten, "Inter-strand resistance in REBCO Roebel cables and effect on AC loss"
- 2MO4-01: A. Usoskin, "Double-disordered HTS coated conductors and their assemblies aimed for ultra-high fields: large area tapes"
- 3LO3-08: P. Gao, "AC losses and inter-strand resistance in impregnated ReBCO Roebel cables"
- 3MP5-16: C. Petrone, "Measurement and Analysis of the Dynamic Effects in an HTS Dipole Magnet"
- 3MO2-07: Y. Yang, "AC Losses of Roebel Cables with Striated 2G YBCO Strands"
- 4LP4-08: A. Kario, "Advanced intermediate lengths of punch and coat processed HTS-Roebel cables in EuCARD2"
- 4LP1-01: G. Kirby, "An High Field Insert Accelerator Class Dipole Magnet Constructed with Roebel Multi-tape HTS Cable"
- 4LP3-11: X. Sarasola, "Test of the First HTS Demonstrator Coil in the 11 T Background Field of the SULTAN Facility"
- 4MP4-07: J. Murtomäki, "Investigation of REBCO Roebel Cable Irreversible Critical Current Degradation Under Transverse Pressure"

Further programs and relevant work

- 4LO2-02: J. Van Nugteren, "ReBCO 20T+ Dipoles for Particle Accelerators"
- 3LO2-06 L. Rossi: "An HTS Magnet Demonstrator for Space Experiment"
- 4MP7-09: M. Matras, "Measurement at 4 K of normal zone propagation velocity in commercial REBCO conductors"



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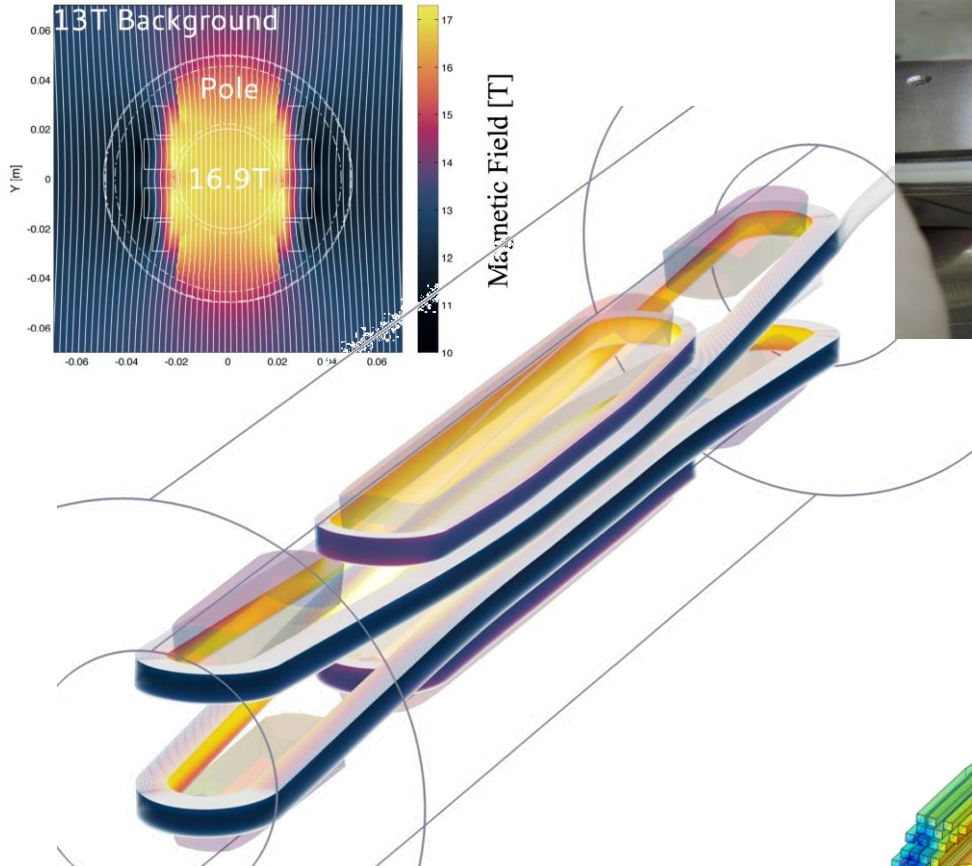


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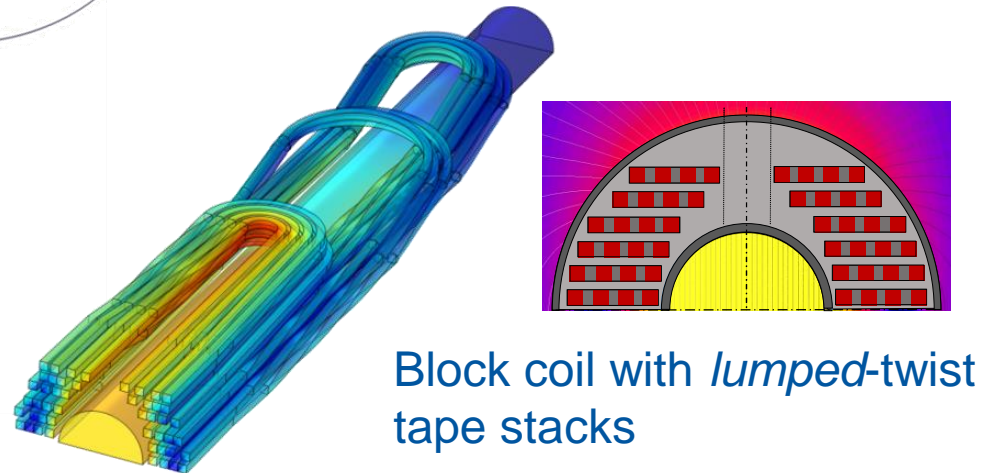
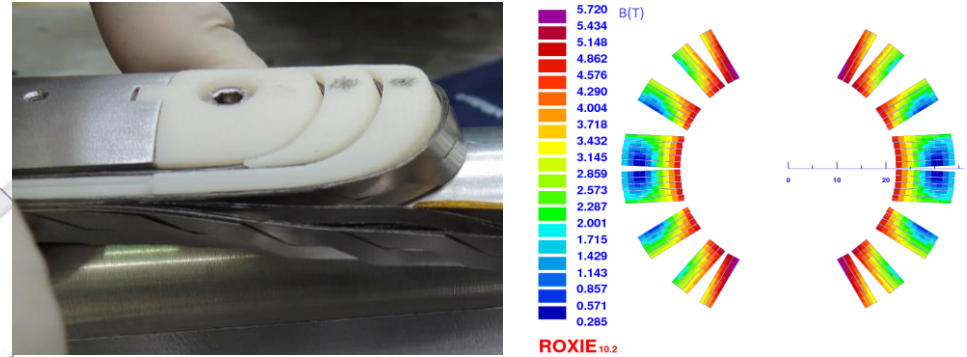
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HTS for 5 T/40 mm

Aligned Blocks dipole (Roebel)



Cos- θ dipole (Roebel)



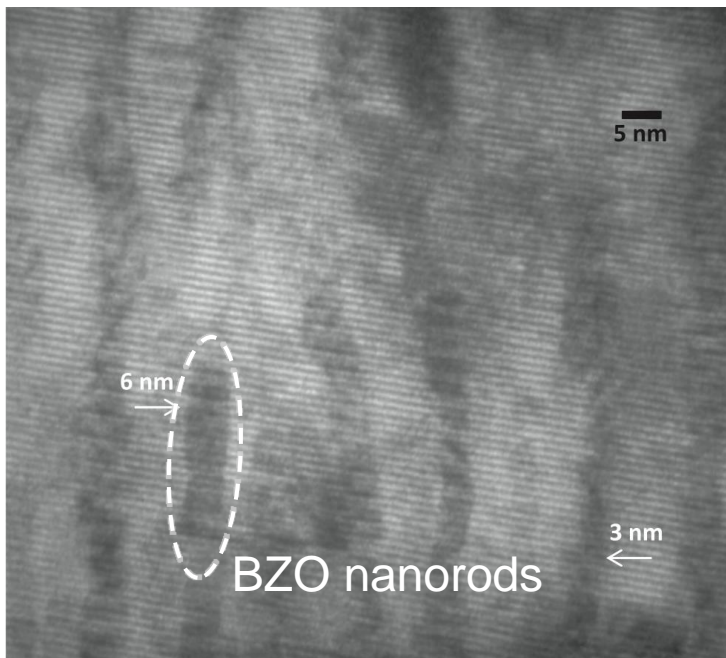
Block coil with *lumped*-twist tape stacks

PLD-300



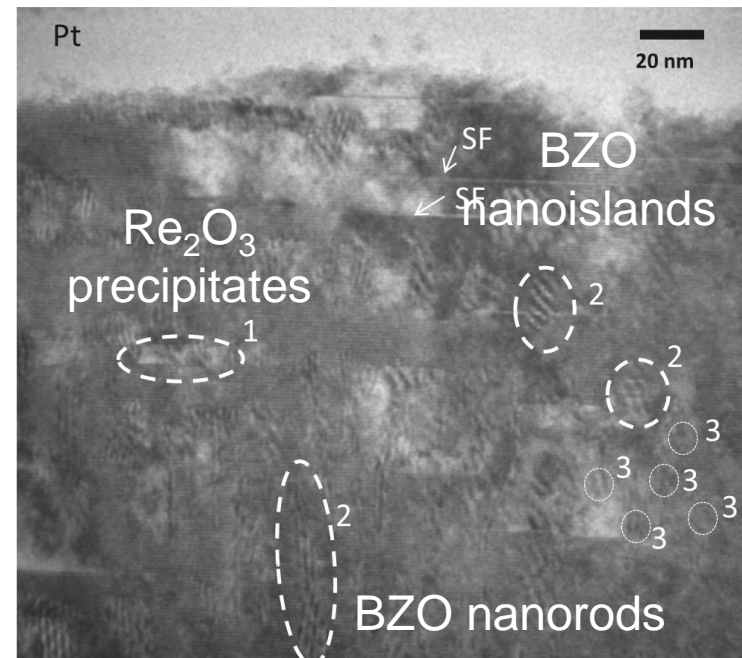
Double disordered YBCO coated conductors of industrial scale: high currents in high magnetic field

Extrinsic defects



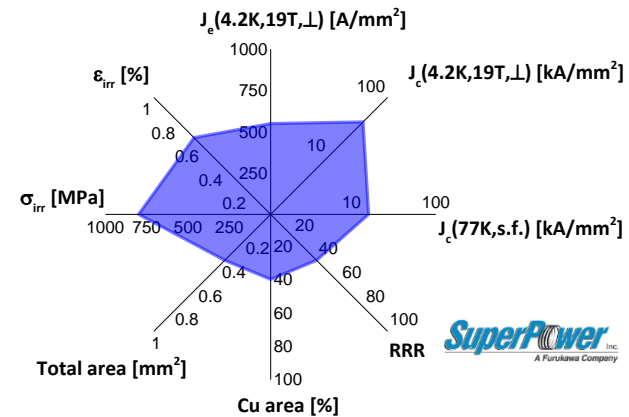
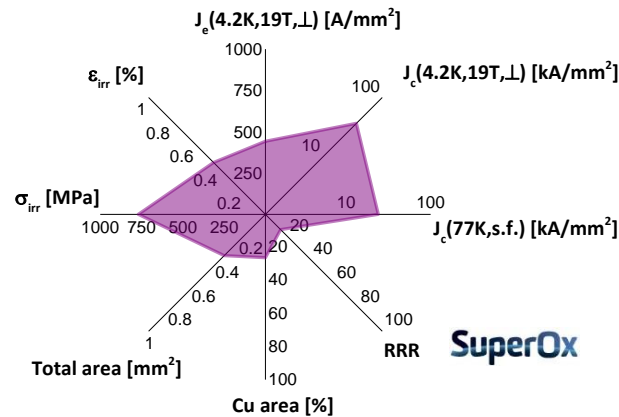
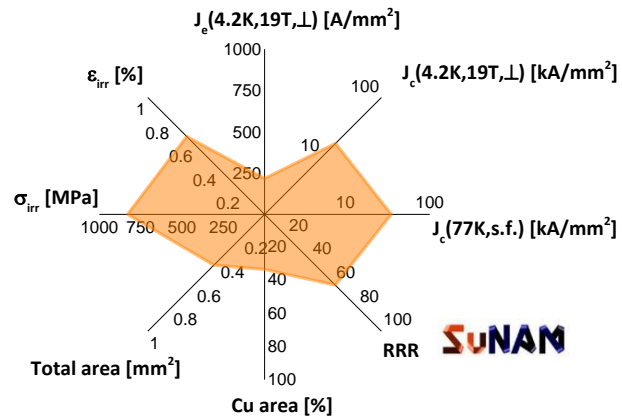
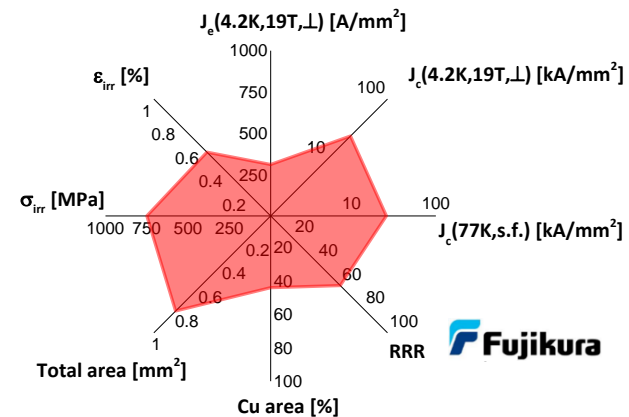
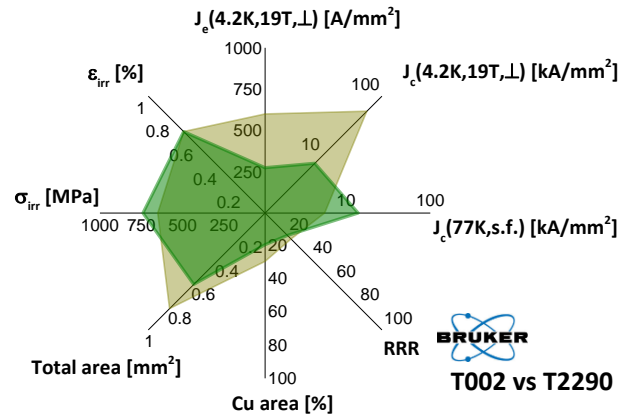
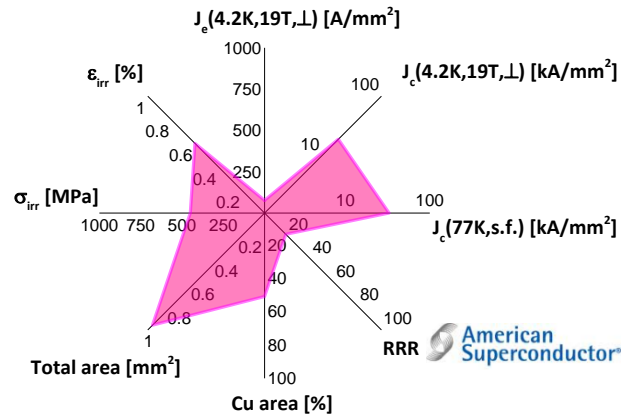
PLD deposition
5 wt% of BZO in the YBCO target

Intrinsic and extrinsic defects

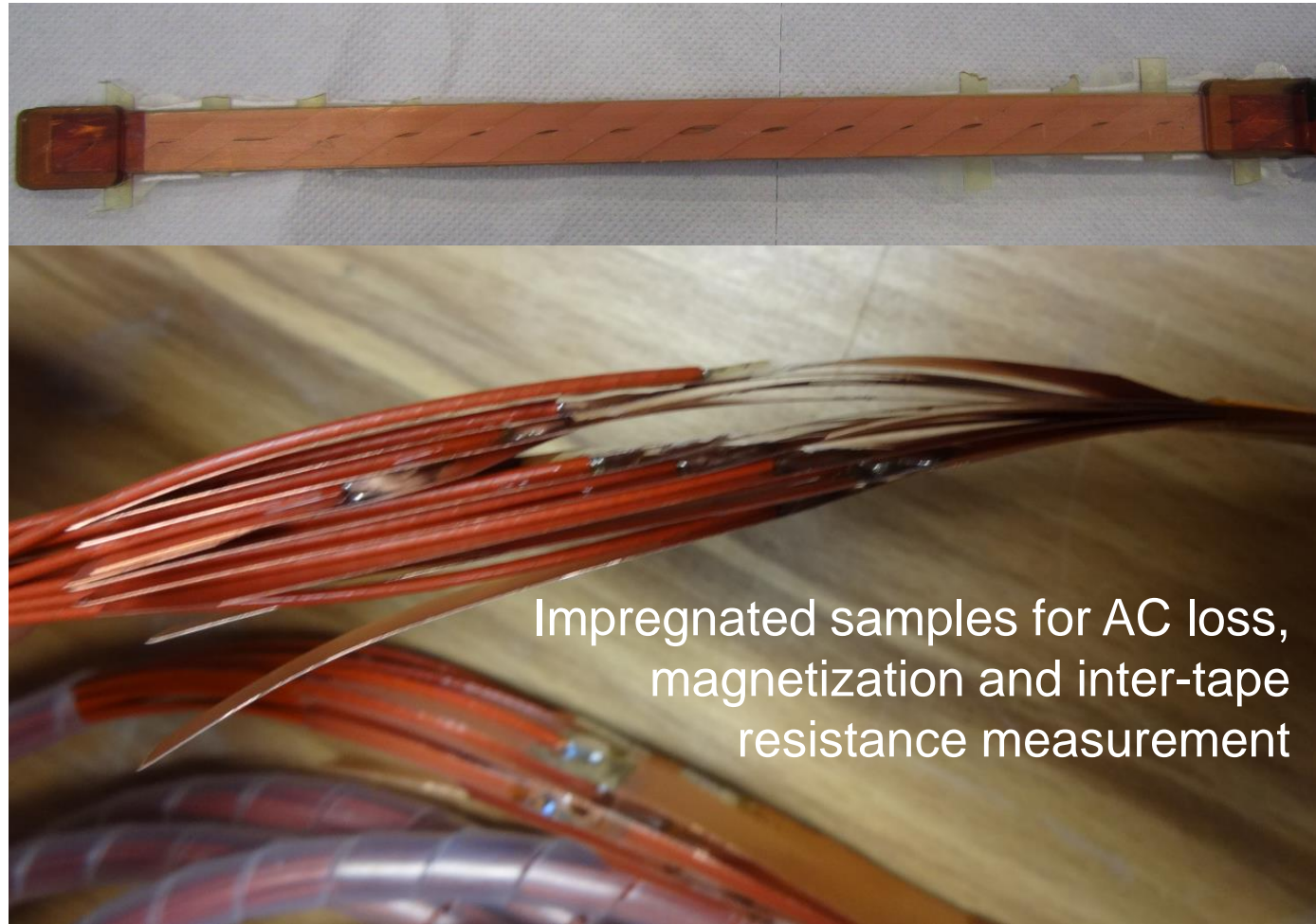


PLD deposition
5 wt% of BZO in the YBCO target
0.2...0.5 mbar O₂ pressure variation

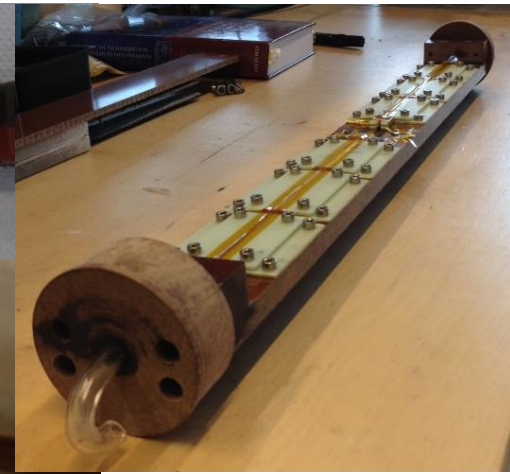
Zoo of tapes



Magnetization

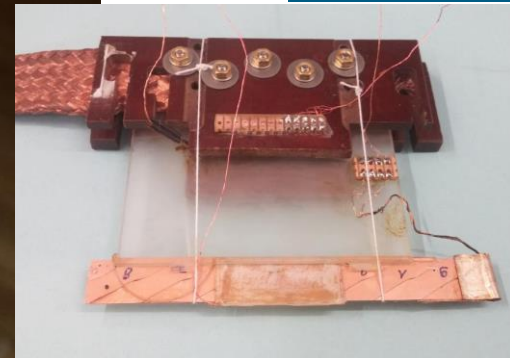


Impregnated samples for AC loss,
magnetization and inter-tape
resistance measurement



4.2 K, 400 mT

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4.2 ... 100 K, 350 mT