Effect of collimator coating thickness on HL-LHC octupole thresholds

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Motivation and previous work

Operation at the HL-LHC intensity (2.3×10^{11} ppb) is not compatible with the present LHC transverse impedance

In order to reduce the impedance, an upgrade of the collimator system is planned

- Lower the total impedance and the octupole threshold by ~ 50%

Secondary collimators in IR-7 are coated with 5 µm Mo

- The coating thickness should provide sufficient margins for stable operation

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Goal: Update the estimate on how the thickness of the coating affects the octupole threshold

Most challenging, Ultimate, OP scenario

Three coating scenarios:

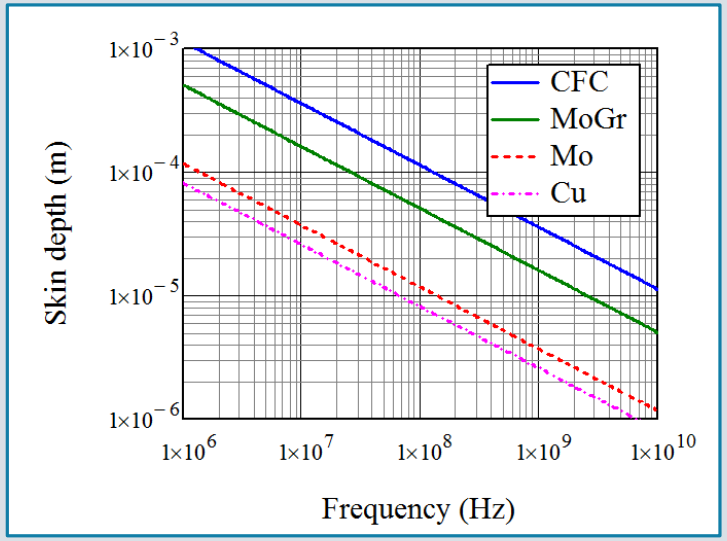
- **Mo+MoGr**
- Cu+MoGr
- Cu+CFC

Various coating thickness:

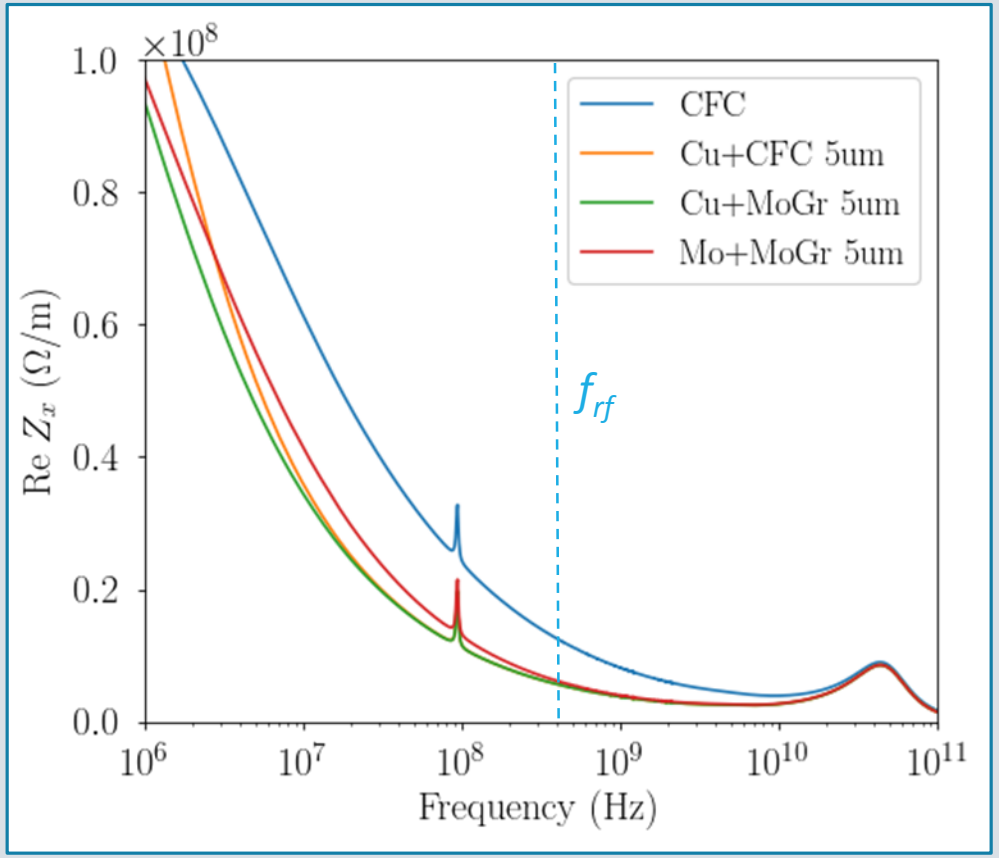
- 1, 3, **5** μm

Energy, β^*	E = 7 TeV, β^* = 40 cm
Beam intensity	M = 2760, $N_b = 2.3 \times 10^{11}$ p
Beam emittance Bunch length	ε_n = 2.1 μm (injection) σ_z = 9.0 cm, rms, Gaussian
Damper	d = 100 turns^{-1}
Octupole SD	Negative polarity, no ATS Tails cut at 3 rms beam size
Collimator settings	Nominal (2.5 μm ref. ε): TCP – 6.7σ TCSG – 9.1σ

The bulk has little effect on impedance for a sufficiently thick coating



Material	Bulk resistivity (nΩ-m)
CFC	5000
MoGr	1000
Cu	26
Mo	53.5

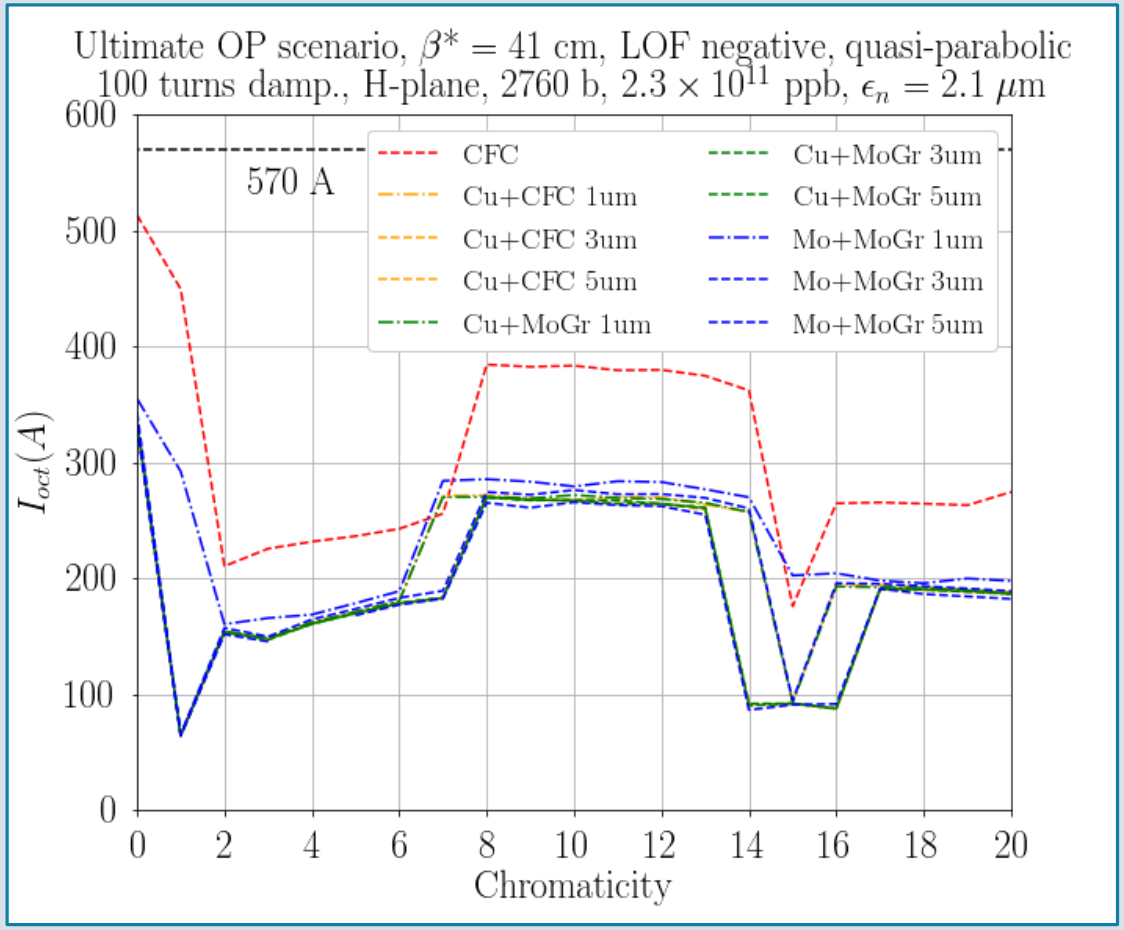


Octupole threshold increases for thinner coatings

Mo: +20 A for Q' ~ 8-12

Cu: no significant difference for Cu around Q' ~ 10

The effect may be large at some chromaticities



Conclusion

The choice of bulk collimator material has little effect on the machine impedance and hence beam stability if the coating is sufficiently thick

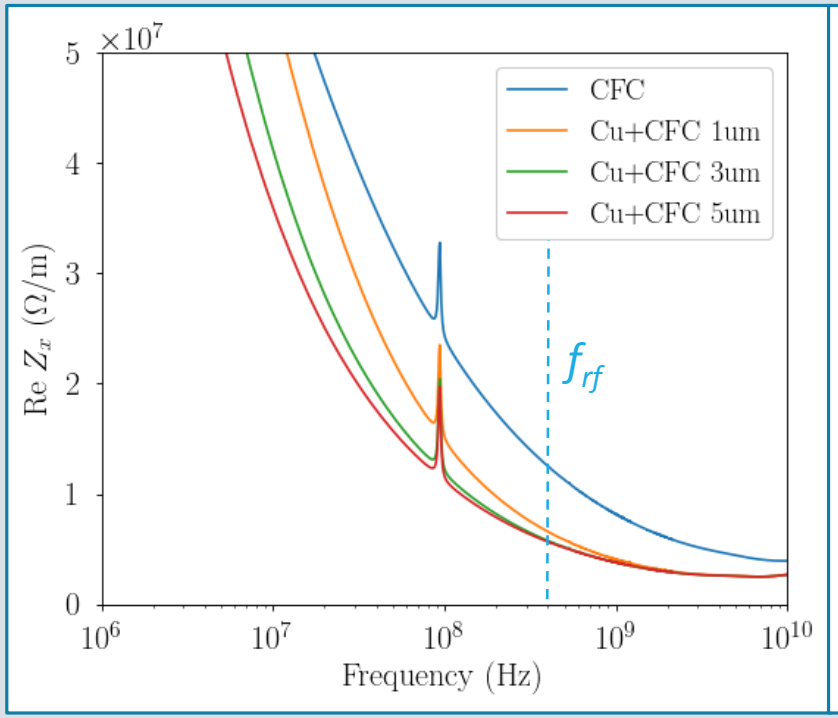
5 µm coating provides a significant safety margin in terms of the octupole threshold

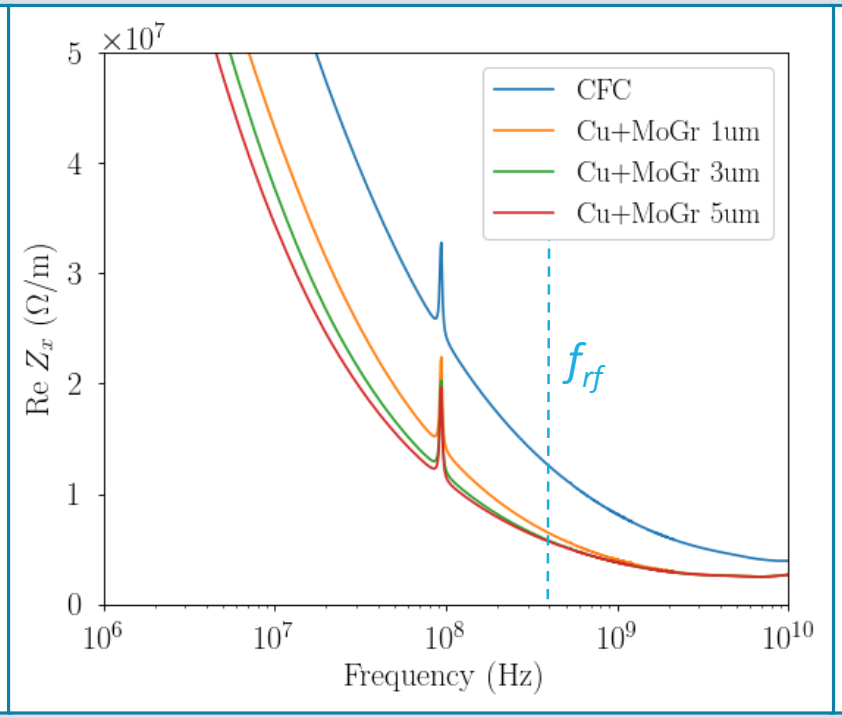
The increase of octupole current for thinner coatings is relatively small for most positive Q', even when its thickness is reduced to 1 µm

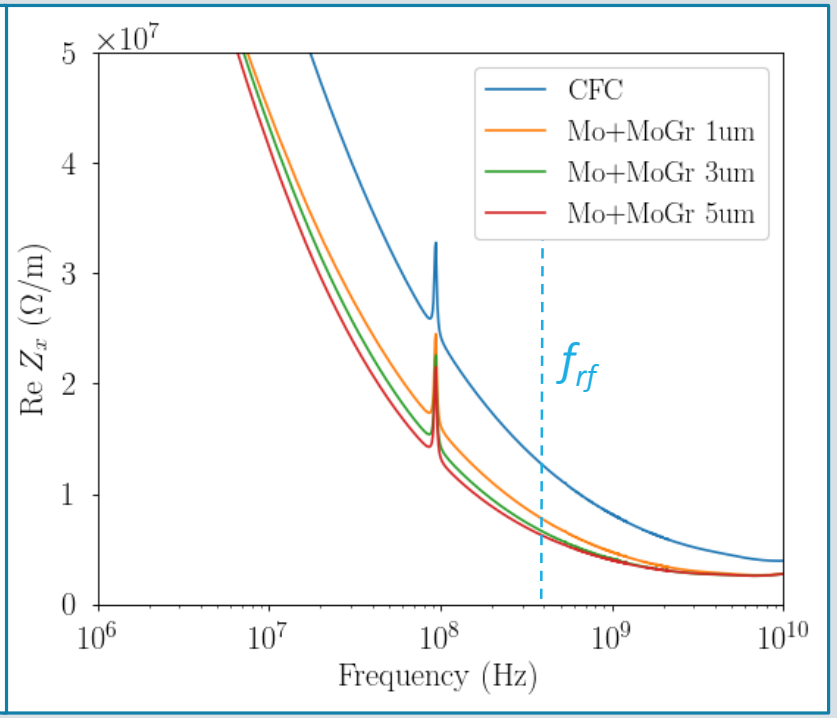
- Up to 20 A (~10% of the total) for Mo coating on MoGr and Q' ~ 10
- Nearly no effect for better coatings with lower resistivity, such as Cu
- The octupole threshold may double for certain values of Q'

Back-up slides

Impedance of different coating thickness options







Increase in octupole threshold assuming ΔQ' = ±1 uncertainty in Q'