

### Update on Feather-M2.3-4 (KIT, Bruker)



UV-Sensitive Glue

Instrumentation Plate

1XCopper Wire 2XDistributed Fiber 1XBrag Fiber

#### **Preparation of Instrumentation Plate**

# Coil Winding

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Joint resistance is 10 nOhm at 77 K Low critical current (artificial pinning?) Joint Test

nylon sleeve shrink wrap copper braid backing strip Roebel cable

#### The Magnet





# Large Tuned Insulation HTS Magnets

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### Introduction and Outline

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- Why collaboration? We have common goal: Need a big HTS magnet to work reliably.
- Understanding non-insulation coils using my network model ElMaTh (Electro-Magnetic and Thermal).
- First need proper validation before we can make predictions.
- Then scale up to larger magnets.



Fig. 1. Electrical network geometry with superconducting elements, shown separately for x and y directions, and voltage nodes. For clarity a very coarse version of the network is shown. For a couple of nodes the Voronoi cells used for the determination of the tape-to-tape contact areas are shown.



# Tokamak's QA Coils



- Tokamak has constructed and tested a large set of double pancake solder potted QA coils.
- The purpose of the programme was to learn about coil winding, joints, consolidation, instrumentation, testing, validation of models etc.
- The results are quite remarkable and thus the question arose: can we somehow use NI coils for large magnets as well?



Deadpool, whose real name is Wade Wilson, is a disfigured <u>mercenary</u> with the superhuman ability of an accelerated healing factor and physical prowess.







Courtesy TF

#### Network Representation



- The coils are modelled using a preexisting network solver ElMaTh.
- The tapes are approximated using infinitely thin line elements. This implies that screening currents are excluded from the model.
- The contact between the tapes in the cable is modelled using contact conductances (stored in G<sub>ii</sub>).
- The non-linear voltage of the superconducting elements is calculated using a parallel path model.













time independent linear time independent non-linear  $G_{ij}$ Mkcl.ir 0 0  $V_{\mathrm{nl},q}\left(I_r, T_r, \left|\vec{B}_r\right|, \alpha_r\right)$  $R_{qr}$ 0 M<sub>kvl.ai</sub> +  $P_{\text{nl},s}\left(I_r, T_r, \left|\vec{B}_r\right|, \alpha_r\right) + P_{G,s}\left(V_i\right) + P_{R,s}\left(I_r\right)$  $K_{sp} - K_{cool,sp}$ 0 0 time dependent linear external sources residual  $I_{s,i} + I_{\text{bg},i} \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial t}\right)$ 0 0 0  $I_{\mathrm{res},i}$ <del>d</del>t  $\frac{\partial I_r}{\partial t} + V_{\text{mlfmm},q} \left( \frac{\partial I_r}{\partial t} \right)$  $V_{s,q} + V_{\mathrm{bg},q} \left( \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \right)$  $+ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & L_{qr} + M_{S2T,qr} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ≅**0**,  $V_{\text{res},q}$  $K_{\rm cool,ss} T_{\rm bath}$ 

## NI Coil Network I









- The Coils are Represented by a 3D network consisting of line elements and nodes.
- Here we see an earlier version of the network.
- Many quenches occurred pre-maturely at the indicated locations.

### NI Coil Network II







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- The Coils are Represented by a network consisting of line elements and nodes.
- Ring joints must be connected to a large part of the innermost and outermost turn of each pancake.

# Modelling Wang et al. NI Coil



- In the paper of Wang et al. a well characterised (both  $\geq$ numerically and experimentally) NI coil is found.
- The provided data is used for initial validation of the model.  $\succ$
- Below the network representation of the wang et al. coil.  $\triangleright$
- Turn to turn contact resistance is given as: 2.75  $n\Omega m^2$ >



#### Table 2. Specifications of the test NI coils.

Parameters	Coil
Number of turns	62*2
Inner and outer diameter	245 mm, 276 mm
Distance between upper and lower coil	0.8 mm
Total length of wire	101 m
Inductance, $L_{coil}$ , calculated	8.11 mH
Bz per amp at centre, calculated	0.59 mT
<i>I<sub>c</sub></i> @ 77 K, tape	170 A
<i>I<sub>c</sub></i> @ 77 K, coil	97 A



Figure 4. The FEM model of the DP coil to calculate the induced magnetic field.





(b) Photo of NI DP coil

Figure 5. (a) Schematic drawing of the test circuit; (b) photo of the test NI coil.



# Wang Coil Comparing Results

- The coil was tested at various ramp-rates: 0.22, 0.44 and 0.88A/s.
- > The voltage drop over the coil and magnetic field at the coil centre match very well.
- The calculated spiral current and radial currents look identical at 91, 131 and 200 s (provided by paper).
- > Similar results found for fast discharge (open circuit) test.

Spiral current \*

> This validates the electro-magnetic part of the network model.

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0.88 A/s



Coil voltage (mV)

30

20

10

0

Magnetic field (mT)

3

0

100

Wang et al.

100

200

300

Time (s)

200

300

Time (s)

400

Voltage drop

100

Wang et al. Time (s)

200

300

500

400

=0.22 A/s (sim.)

0.44 A/s (sim.)

0.88 A/s (sim.)

=0.22 A/s (exp.)

k=0.44 A/s (exp.)

k=0.88 A/s (exp.)

500

k=0.22 A/s (exp.

500

600

# Modelling QA Coil

- 128 Turns with type-0 tape pair
- > 50 mm inner diameter, 100 mm outer diameter
- Fully solder potted (both turn2turn and tape2tape):
  - Resistance: 450 nΩ cm<sup>2</sup> (from Fleiter et al.)
  - Thermal conductivity: 10.8 kW K<sup>-1</sup> m<sup>-1</sup>
- > Tape and scaling relation from Shanghai Superconductors
- Operating temperature 20 K on cryocooler



#### TABLE 3. SPLICE RESISTANCE SURFACE UNIT OF TYPE 1 LAP JOINTS AT 4.2 K AND 77 K

Sample ID	Supplier	Spool ID	Overlap length	Solder	Se (nOhm·cm <sup>2</sup> )			Lift factor
					4.3 K B//0.29 T	4.3 K B//9.54 T	77 K 0 T	Sc(4K)/ Sc (77K)
SPw_1_a	SuperPower	20110701	40 mm	Sn-Pb	284	413	952	0.30
SPw_1_b		20150824	39.5 m	Sn-Pb	302	437	908	0.33
Sox_1_a	SuperOx	2014-23-3	37 mm	Sn-Pb	609	766	1299	0.47
Sox_1_b		2014-23-3	30 mm	Sn-Pb	567	700	1151	0.49
Br_1_a	Bruker	278C-Cu	38.5 mm	Sn-Pb	98	186	405	0.24
Br_1_b		278C-Cu	40 mm	Sn-Pb	104	199	408	0.25
Sun_1_a	SuNAM	HCN04160	39.5 mm	Sn-Pb	1138	1595	2976	0.38
AM_1_a	AMSC	#578 <b>B</b> -5-	43 mm	Sn-In	1277		2329	0.55
AM_1_b		AMSC	1-101	40 mm	Sn-In	1092		2030

From: J. Fleiter and A. Ballarino. "In-Field Resistance of REBCO Electrical Joints at 4.2 K". CERN Internal Note 2015-10, EDMS Nr: 1562549

Shanghai Angular/Temperature/Field Dependent Critical Current

20

Agnetic Field [T]

#### Field Angle [deg]

-50

50

# QA Coil Analysis



- Can we reproduce the test of the tokamak deadpool QA coil?
- The difficulty lies in the cooling term, which is constant W/(Km<sup>2</sup>). We decided to use fitting for this parameter.
- Reasonable agreement is found between the model and the measurement in terms of Voltage drop, Central Field, Temperature.





#### Energy Balance Check



- In the model we can calculate the power dissipation in each of the elements.
- The integral over the resistive power in the elements should be equal to the energy supplied by the power supply.
- The energy balance checks out, strengthening our confidence in the model.





# Self Grading Confirmed



- > By reverse engineering the measurements from the Hall probes. It was suspected that the entire coil runs at the short sample.
- > The network model confirms this. The turns fill up until critical current reached then bleed off the remaining current radially.
- > This unique behaviour is ONLY possible in a solder potted coil.



# QA Coil Quench

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- The model can offer valuable insight in what happens during the quench
- Due to the very low turn-to-turn resistance each turn can be seen as a loop (closed on itself)
- In case of a normal zone. The current is inductively transferred to the neighbouring loops causing them to quench as well.
- This causes a "shockwave" to propagate throughout the coil effectively discharging the spiralling current in 100 ms.





### QA Coil Quench (backup)



Back-up slide in case movie fails.





# QA Coil Discharge



time 3203.6 [s]

55

50

45 Temperature [K]

35

0.14

0.12

0.1

0.08

0.06

0.02

0

۲ [m] 0.04

- When the circuit is opened the current is forced to return  $\succ$ radially through the turn-to-turn resistance.
- In this scenario, the magnet effectively becomes its own  $\geq$ dump resistor.
- However, due to the solder potting this resistance is very  $\geq$ low. This causes the magnet to heat up for a few seconds (phase I).
- Then the superconductor is pushed over the current  $\triangleright$ sharing temperature and a fast discharge occurs (phase II).
- This delayed behaviour was also observed in the QA coils.  $\geq$



#### QA Coil MQE Calculation



Perhaps after talking about quench so much you have the impression that these coils quench easily. To prove otherwise see MQE vs Operating current below.



# Franken Coil Quench



- Tokamak has performed further tests  $\geq$ in which multiple QA coils are stacked up (nicknamed "Frankencoil").
- See below the modelled quench >propagation for this case.
- Due to inductive transfer, the current  $\geq$ in the last coil looks dangerously high for mechanics. High field solenoid people be warned.
- **BUT THE COIL SURVIVED!**





#### Turn-to-Turn Resistance

- It is clear that the turn to turn resistance is an important parameter leaving to wonder if there is some sort of optimum.
- A parametric sweep is performed using QA coil geometry and it seems there is more-or-less three regimes present.









# A Good Analogy



- > The difference between the regimes is also clearly visible in voltage.
- For the first one the voltage drop is azimuthal while for the second regime the voltage drop is radial.
- I like a good analogy. So here is one ...





Regime 2 Quench





Think of stirring your coffee and stop suddenly. The momentum of the coffee is the inductance. Like the water intake at a dam. The water/current keeps flowing continuously over the edge.

#### Intermediate Resistance



- In the second regime we see a completely different phenomenon. As the turn-to-turn resistance is too high for inductive current transfer.
- Here the current wants to skip the turn with the normal zone in it. Causing heating all the way round the coil.
- After initial decay, in which the turn dissipates its own stored energy, the only heating left is coming from the powers supply (diode good idea).

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#### **Tuned Insulation**



- Now that we understand what happens we can optimise this for our purposes.
- For the current to be able to skip a turn the R<sub>t2t</sub> must be much less than R<sub>nz</sub>

$$f = \frac{1}{120} \qquad \frac{\rho_{t2t}}{\ell_c w_{tp}} = R_{t2t} = R_{nz} f$$

- The R<sub>nz</sub> can be found with a 1D NZP model. It seems to almost uniquely depend on the copper thickness (and number of tapes in the cable).
- > Here  $\ell_c$  is the length of the coil. So the turn to turn resistance depends on the coil size.
- Also the heat capacity of the turn must be sufficient to take its stored magnetic energy.

$$\frac{L_c I_{op}^2}{2N_{turn}} = E_t = N_{tp} \ell_c w_{tp} \sum_i D_i d_i \int_{T_{op}}^{T^*} C_p$$

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## Scale Up



- Can tuned insulation coil be scaled up?
- Initial modelling suggests that this is indeed the case.
- The energy of the quenching turn is distributed fully around the magnet.
- Forces between coils are a worry. When the current comes down in an antisymmetric manner. The forces can be huge.
- Time constant for field delay i.e. L/R is only a few seconds.
  - Partial insulation is not noticeable during 20 min ramp.



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# **Coupling Loss**



- Parallel tapes for mitigating defects and other disturbances are required.
- Stack of tapes much easier to achieve than Roebel cable.
- But what about coupling losses?
- Despite common belief:
  - The current does not flow all the way to the joint and back (in fact there is no joint).
  - During a constant ramp most losses are dissipated inside the superconducting elements (due to over current).
  - The power dissipation for (slow) 1 hour ramp is 0.4 W -> at 20 K this is nothing.







## What does all this mean?



- Solder potted coils probably best for small steady state magnets.
- For large magnets we can use tuned insulation.
- The time constants are on the order of seconds so will have little effect on slow 20 min powering cycle.
- Can expect to get some snapback.
- Pre-quench detection still preferred.
  Use inductive backing wire etc.
- Partial insulation as final measure to delay the quench.
- Then after detection use the partial insulation for fast discharge.
- Need practical solution for partial insulation layer.





# Thank you!

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