



# Characterization of Low-Carbon Steel for High-Field Accelerator Magnets.

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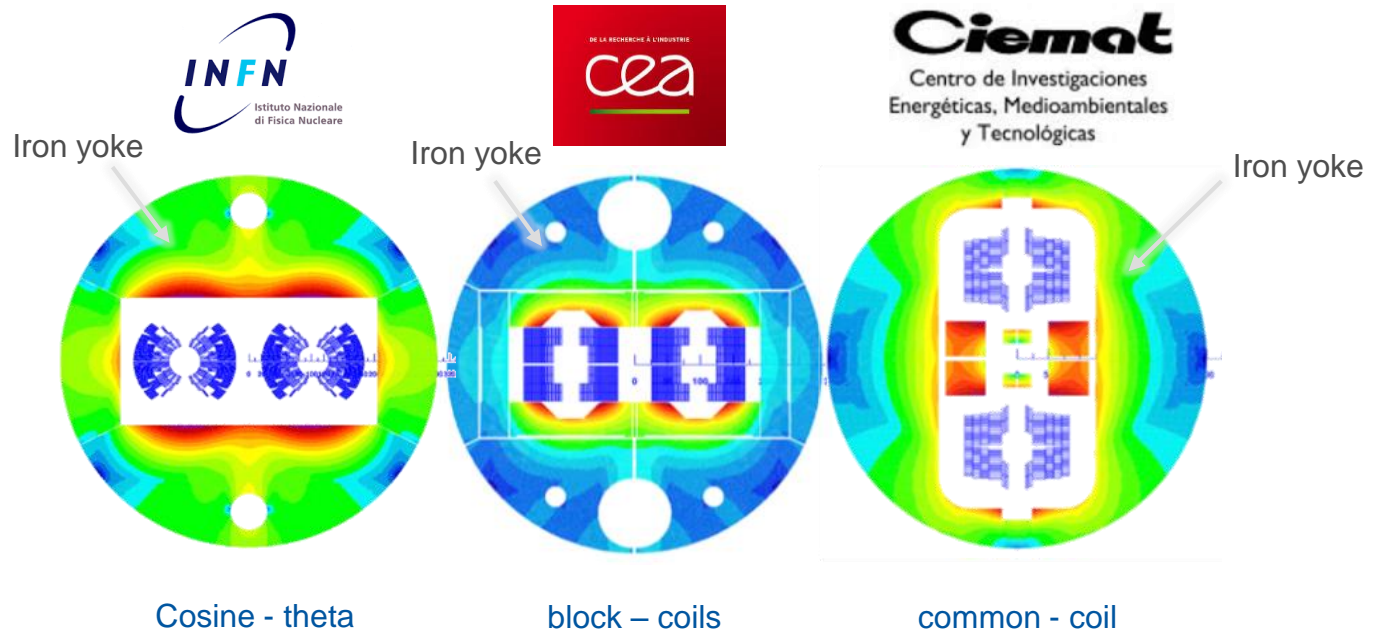
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- Results obtained on ARMCO® at room temperature
- Rationale and motivation of the cryogenic testing
- Results obtained on ARMCO® at cryogenic temperature (4.2 K)
- Discussion and implementation of the results for MQXF (in collaboration with G. Vallone (BNL))
- Conclusions

# Introduction and motivation

- 16 T magnet development for FCC
- EuroCirCol designs rely on bladder & key mechanical assembly concepts, where the iron yoke has a key mechanical function.
- This study triggered the need of solid mechanical characterization of the material at room and cryogenic temperature.



# Introduction and motivation

- For HL – LHC, with respect to LHC: from MAGNETIL® to ARMCO® grade 4
  - Mainly motivated by unavailability of MAGNETIL®, an ‘equivalent’ product was found.
- An invitation to tender (IT – 4009) for the supply of the yokes for the dipoles and quadrupoles of HL – LHC was launched in 2015. The quantity was 1800 tons of 5.8 mm thick sheets.



## ARMCO® PURE IRON HIGH PURITY IRON

GRADE 2

Composition		Max. Analysis %
Carbon	(C)	0.010
Manganese	(Mn)	0.100
Phosphorus	(P)	0.010
Sulfur	(S)	0.008
Nitrogen	(N)	0.006
Copper	(Cu)	0.030
Cobalt	(Co)	0.005
Tin	(Sn)	0.010

GRADE 4

Composition		Max. Analysis %
Carbon	(C)	0.010
Manganese	(Mn)	0.060
Phosphorus	(P)	0.005
Sulfur	(S)	0.003
Nitrogen	(N)	0.005
Copper	(Cu)	0.030
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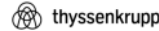
The high purity of ARMCO Pure Iron is the primary reason for the following special properties:

- Excellent magnetic properties

# Introduction and motivation

## Example of material certificate of IT - 4009

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Abnahme

Es wird bestätigt, dass die Lieferung den Vereinbarungen bei der Bestellung entspricht.  
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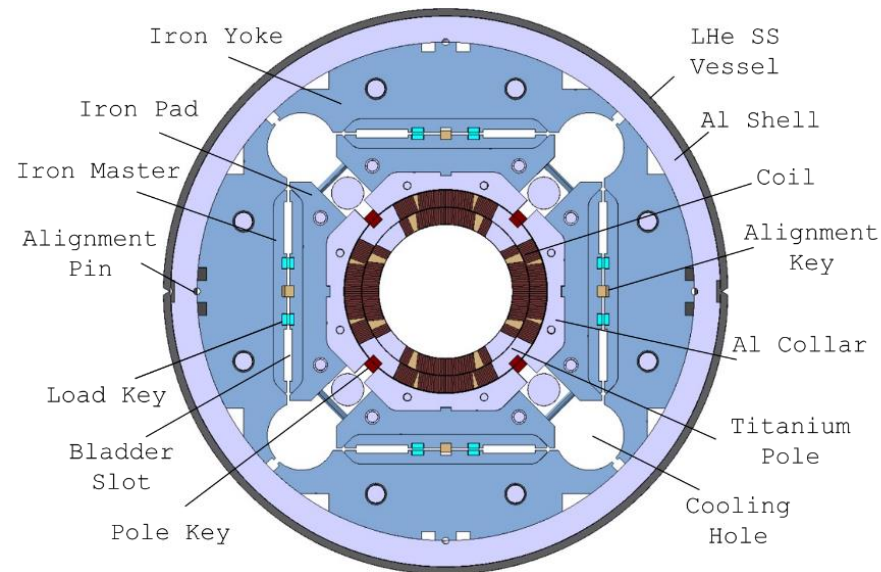


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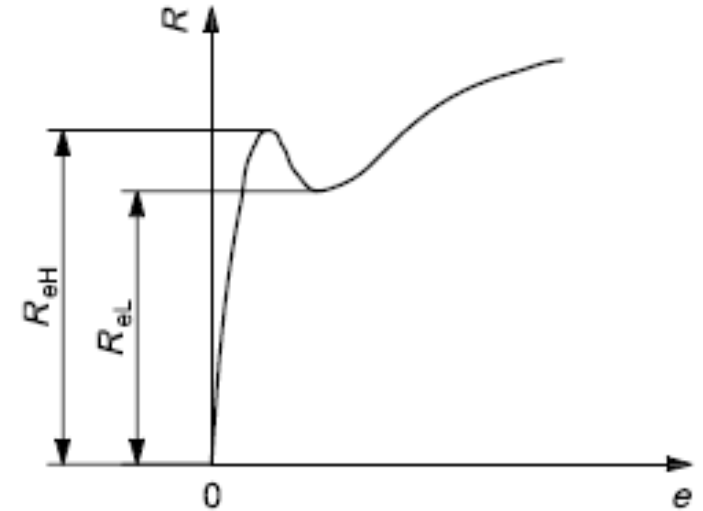
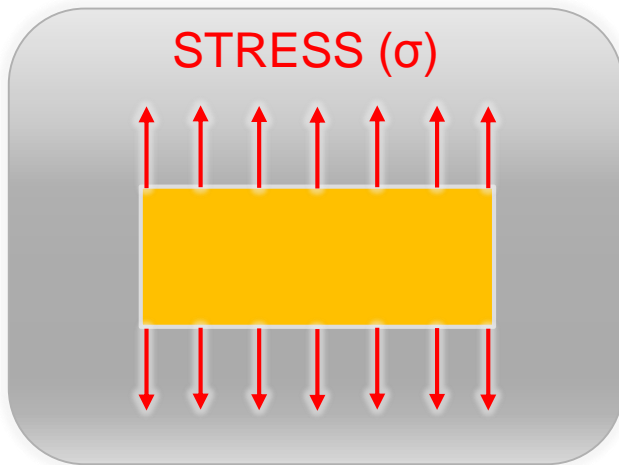
- In order to combine the material and mechanical characterization with a functional magnet design, a detailed assessment and its application on a currently used magnet is proposed: MQXF



# Design approaches: strength of material

## MATERIAL RESISTANCE

### DRIVING FORCE



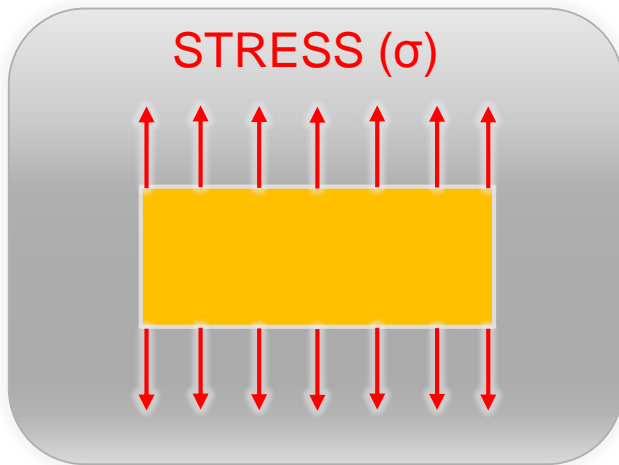
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Safety factor

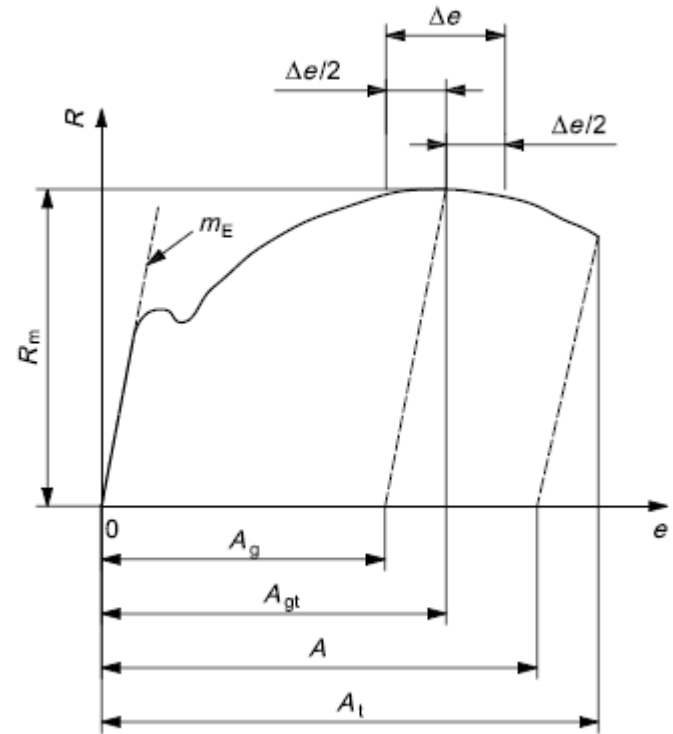
Lower yield strength

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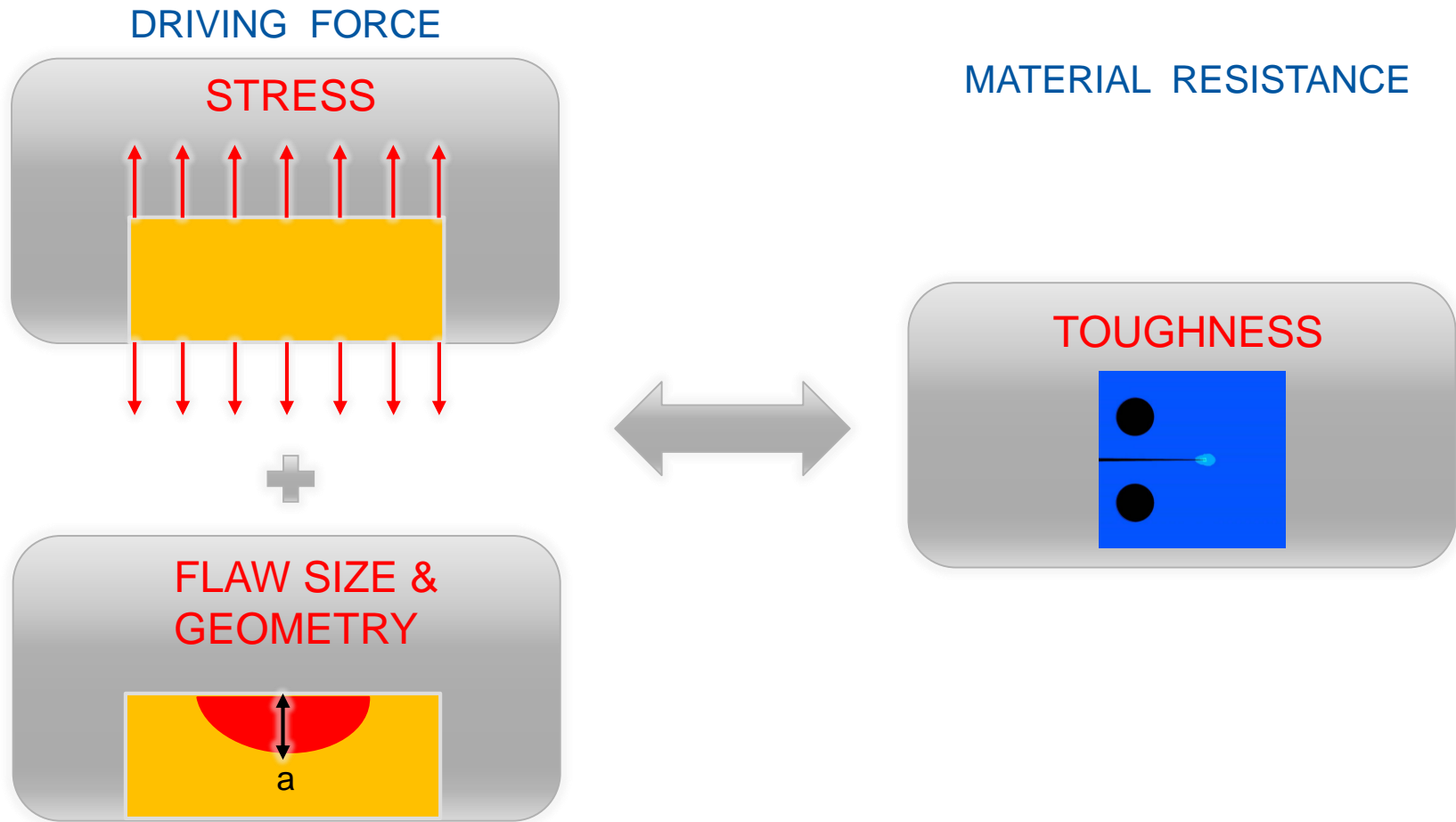
$$S \cdot \sigma < R_m$$

Security factor

Tensile strength



# Design approaches: fracture mechanics



$$S \cdot Y \cdot \sigma \cdot \sqrt{\pi \cdot a} < K_{IC}$$

Arrows point from the terms in the equation to their respective labels:

- $S$  points to **Safety factor**
- $Y$  points to **Geometrical factor**
- $\sigma$  points to **Flaw size**
- $\sqrt{\pi \cdot a}$  points to **Flaw size**
- $K_{IC}$  points to **Fracture toughness**

# Test campaign

- 2 families of materials were tested:
  - ARMCO ® as received (after hot rolling). Rolling direction
  - ARMCO ® annealed (980°C during 1 hour).
    - The goal was to compare the properties with the as – received state

The test campaign, carried out in 2016 – 2017, was performed as follows:

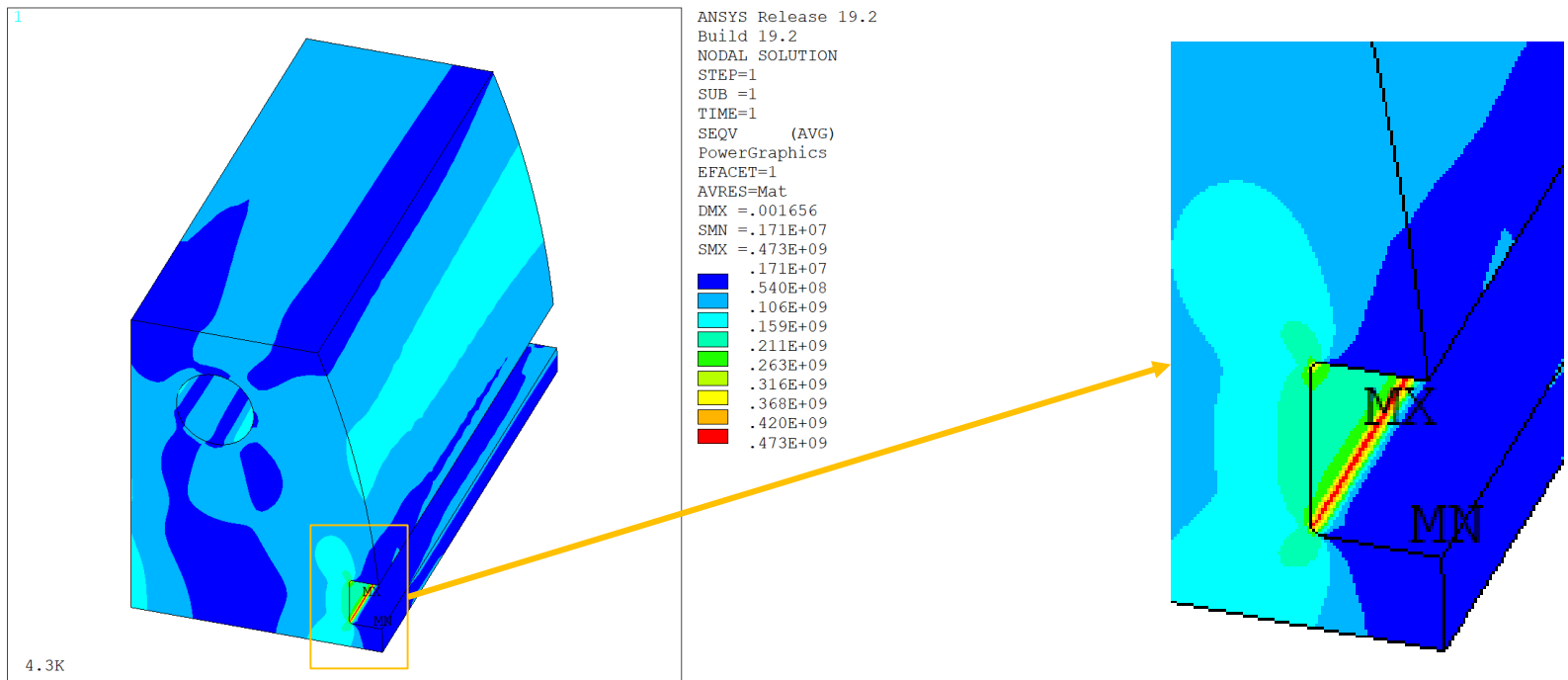
- Uniaxial tensile tests @ RT & 4.2 K → CERN (M. Crouvizier)
- Fatigue testing @ 4.2 K → TIPC (CN)
- Fracture toughness @ 4.2 K → KIT (GE)

# Test matrix

Material	Specimens	Test
<b>ARMCO® annealed</b>	6 @ RT and 6 @ 4 K (3 per direction)	Tensile RT & 4 K
	3 rolling direction and 3 longitudinal direction	Fatigue at 4 K
	2 specimens. LT orientation 2 specimens. TL orientation	Fracture toughness at 4 K
<b>ARMCO® As – received</b>	3 @ RT and 3 @ 4 K	Tensile RT & 4 K
	3 specimens	Fatigue at 4 K
	2 specimens. LT orientation	Fracture toughness at 4 K

# Rationale and motivation of the cryogenic testing

- In order to assess the static, cyclic and toughness properties at temperature close to operation.
- MQXF **nominally** requires a coil prestress of **120 MPa** on the pole to avoid unloading during powering, and of **140 MPa** to avoid unloading at **ultimate current**.
- The stress distribution in the yoke after cooldown at 145 MPa (more severe) is the following:



# Rationale and motivation of the cryogenic testing

- In order to rule out a premature failure during the whole lifespan of the components.
- Cycles tailored for MQXF case.
- Number of cycles: 20000 (EDMS 1171853). Safety factor: 20

## 6.2 MECHANICAL REQUIREMENTS

### 6.2.1 MECHANICAL FUNCTIONAL SPECIFICATIONS

#### 6.2.1.1 CONTAINMENT OF LORENTZ FORCES

The insulation system has been chosen also to minimize interconnection deformation under the effect of the repulsive Lorentz forces between the bus bars. The design values are listed in Table VII [11].

	Value
Design load linearly distributed on the bus bar and exercised by the Lorentz forces (12850A)	1.2 kN/m
Distance between bus bar support points external to the interconnection (worst case MB->MQ interconnect with worst support positioning tolerances)	0.6 m
Number of LHC cycles (continuous operation 20 years, 250 days operation/year, 4 ramps/day)	20.000

Table VII. Reference values for mechanical dimensioning of the insulation system in term of Lorentz force restraint

Remark: the foreseen number of cycles is 12.000 [13]. The design value is increased to 20.000 as extra margin.



Design Description Document:

DDD 11  
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Magnet

The first fatigue assessment method uses SN curves established by component testing. The curves are preferably measured for the standard +/- (R=-1) cycle with zero mean stress (not R=0 often used at 4K), if not they have to be converted using empirical scaling rules linking fatigue life to yield/ultimate stress such as Goodman or Soderberg. After scaling from the SN +/- curve for mean stress effects, and correcting for multi-axial cyclic stress components, a safety factor is applied either to the cyclic stress, of a factor of 2, or to the number of cycles, of a factor of 20, using whichever gives the most conservative cyclic stress allowable.

# Results: Tensile tests

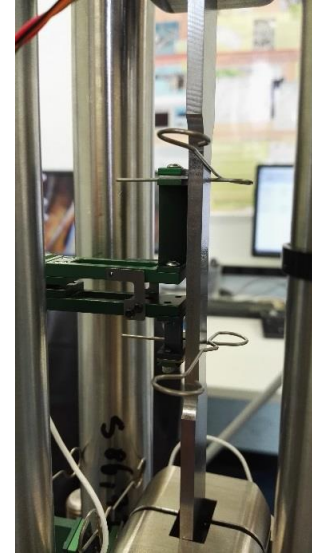
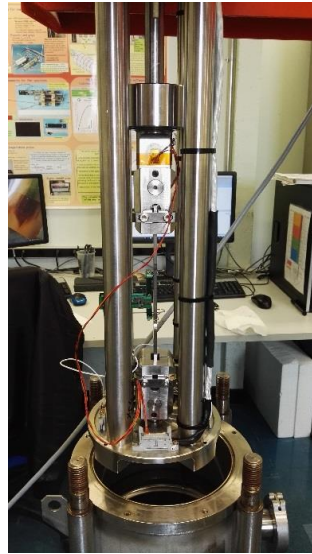
At RT, we are mostly interested in the  $R_m$  ( $R_m < 280$  MPa) as it has a major impact in the fabrication costs. Additionally,  $R_{eL} > 150$  MPa is required to avoid plastic deformation in the yoke during loading at room temperature.

Material	$R_{eL}$ [MPa]	$R_m$ [MPa]	A [%]
ARMCO as received. Rolling direction	$229 \pm 1$	$293 \pm 2$	$42 \pm 1$
ARMCO annealed. Rolling direction	$237 \pm 3$	$304 \pm 2$	$41 \pm 2$
ARMCO annealed. Transverse direction	$251 \pm 1$	$301 \pm 1$	$44 \pm 2$
Reference from material certificates	$210 \pm 12$	$286 \pm 2$	$51 \pm 3$



Sample geometry according to ISO 6892. Thickness: 4 mm

# Results: Cryogenic tensile tests



Material	$R_m$ [MPa]	A [%]
ARMCO as received (rolling direction)	$1043 \pm 4$	$0.4 \pm 0.1$
ARMCO annealed (Rolling direction)	$972 \pm 8$	$0.2 \pm 0.1$
ARMCO annealed (Transverse direction)	$975 \pm 6$	$0.3 \pm 0.1$

- Width in the calibrated section reduced from 12.5 mm to 8 mm to guarantee breakdown outside the heads.
- **They all broke in the elastic region** (brittle)
- $R_m$  increases by a factor of  $\sim 3$  @ 4.2 K

# Results: Cryogenic fatigue testing

Specimen	Fatigue Parameters				Survival Cycles
	Temp. [K]	$\sigma_{\max}$ [MPa]	R ratio	Frequency [Hz]	
ARMCO as received (rolling direction) x 3	4.2	500	0.1	7	>400,000
ARMCO annealed (Rolling direction) x 3					>400,000
ARMCO annealed (Transverse direction) x 3					>400,000

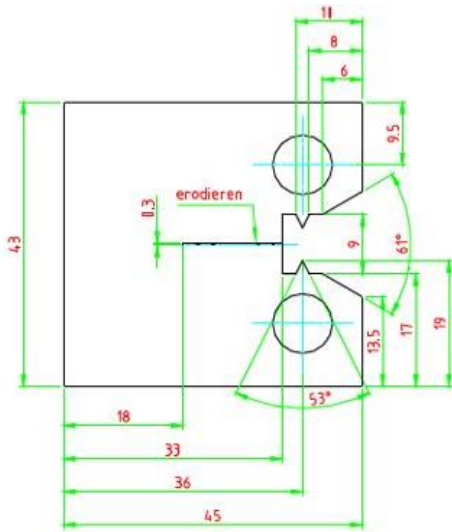
Frequency below 8 Hz to avoid heating the sample during fatigue testing at 4.2 K

All the samples which were tested survived the designed load cycles for 400 kcycles



# Fracture toughness results @ 4.2 K

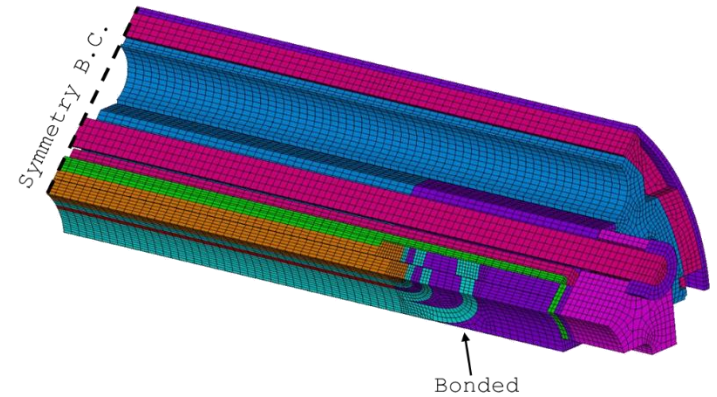
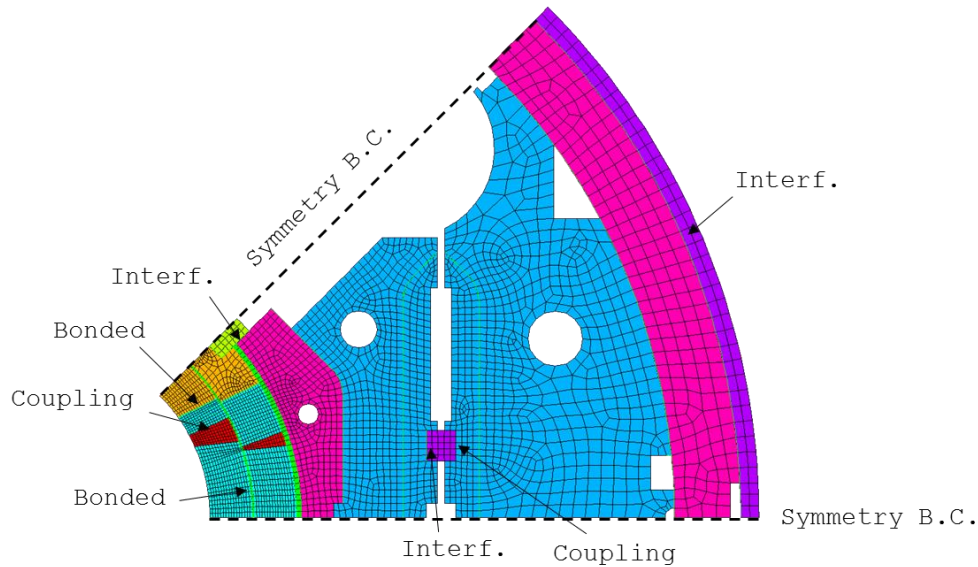
- In order to implement a fracture toughness based design
- Compact tensions specimens (5.8 mm thickness)
- ‘K’ tests for low toughness materials (according to ASTM E399)



Specimen ID	Material	Fracture toughness ( $K_{IC}$ ); [MPa $\sqrt{m}$ ]	Fracture toughness uncertainty; [MPa $\sqrt{m}$ ]
AR-LT-CT1	ARMCO as received	27.98	0.22
AR - LT- CT2	ARMCO as received	26.91	0.22
AN TL-CT1	ARMCO annealed (short side)	24.44	0.16
AN TL-CT2	ARMCO annealed (short side)	25.71	0.52
AN LT-CT1	ARMCO annealed (long side)	25.37	0.21
AN LT-CT1	ARMCO annealed (long side)	28.17	0.53

# Application of the results: MQXF

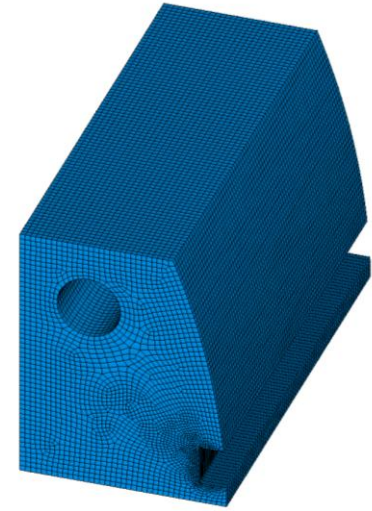
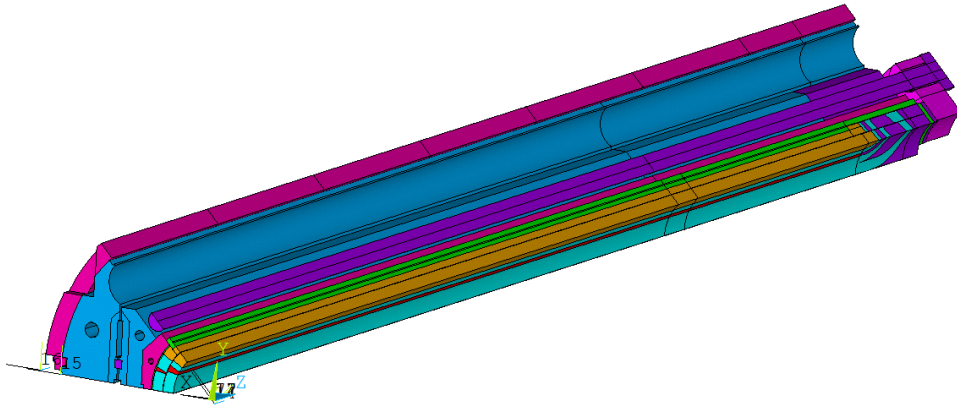
## MQXF FE Model



- Standard MQXF FE model
  - 2D and 3D
  - 1 octant,  $\frac{1}{2}$  length
  - Material properties  $\rightarrow$  linear elastic

# Application of the results: MQXF

## Submodelling strategy



- Global model from MQXFS and MQXFA
- Stress state is very similar, MQXFS is obviously faster to run
- Detailed model of the end region
- Displacements after cooldown
- Similar stress during powering

# Introduction – Failure Assessment Diagram

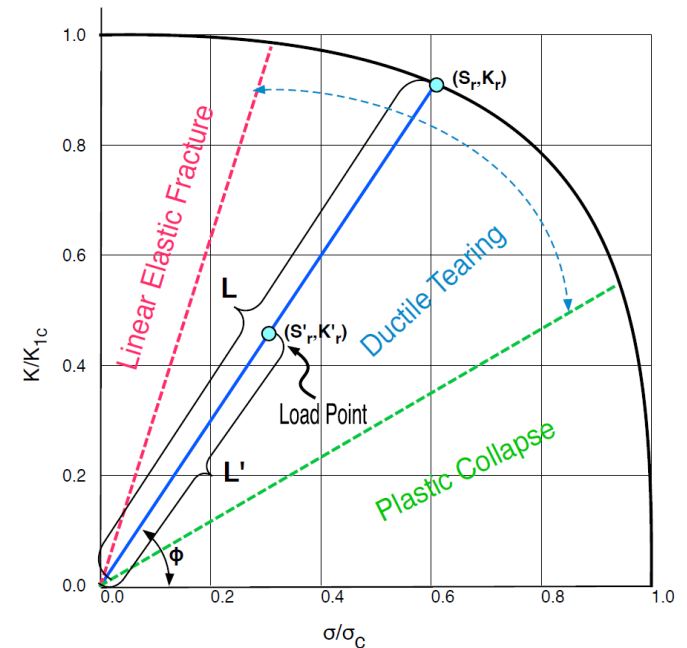
$$\text{Load Factor} = \sqrt{\frac{(S_r^2 + K_r^2)}{(S_r'^2 + K_r'^2)}}$$

$$K_r(S_r) = S_r \left[ \frac{8}{\pi^2} \log \left( \sec \left( \frac{\pi}{2} S_r \right) \right) \right]^{-1/2}$$

$$\sigma_c = 974 \text{ MPa}$$

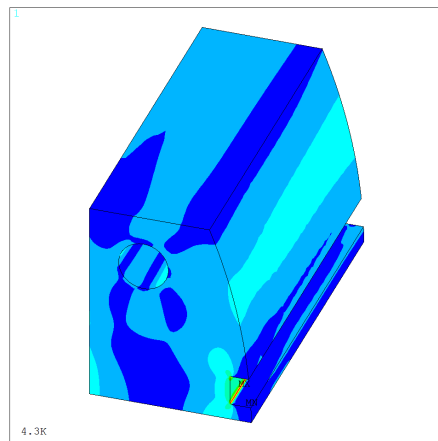
$$S_r = \sigma / (\sigma_c)$$

$$K_{IC} = 26 \text{ MPa} \sqrt{\text{m}}$$

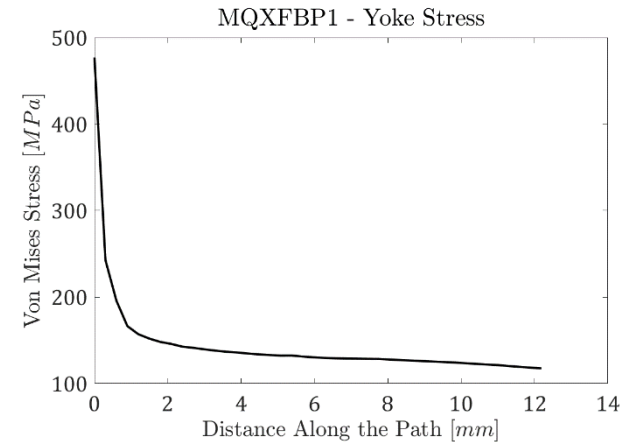
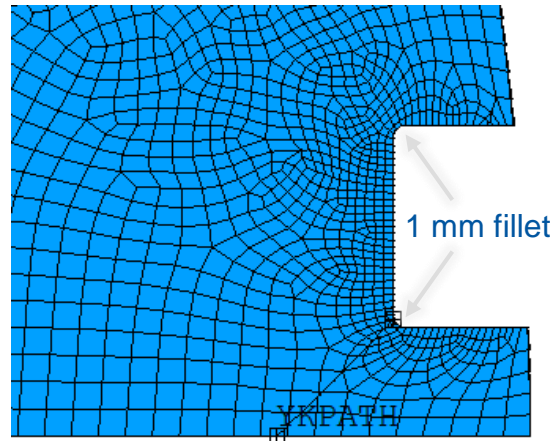


- **R6 Failure Assessment Diagram (FAD):** R6 PANEL. R6: Assessment of the integrity of structures containing defects. Revision 4, as amended. Gloucester: EDF Energy, 2001.
- Load points inside the curve are considered safe
- A load margin (load factor) can be computed projecting the loading point onto the curve

# Discussion of the results: application to MQXF

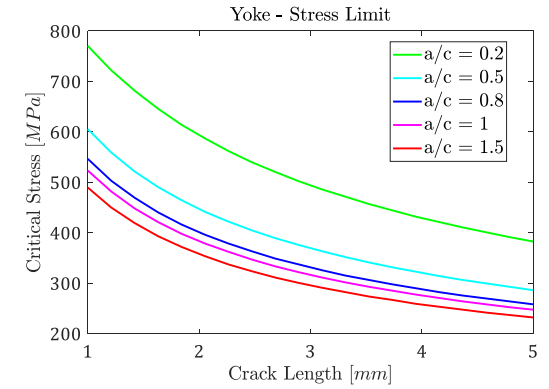
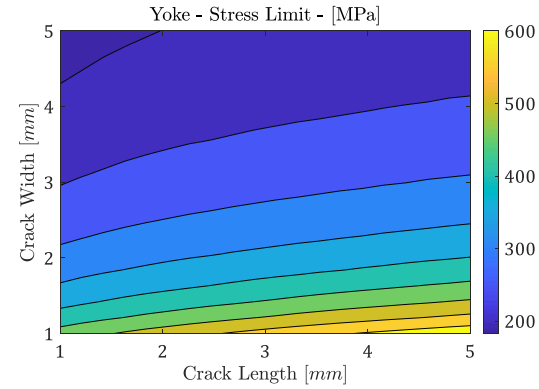
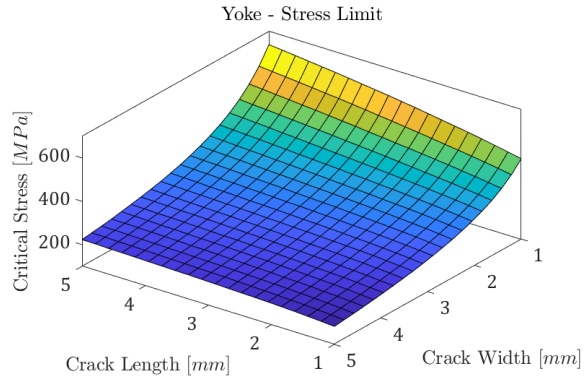


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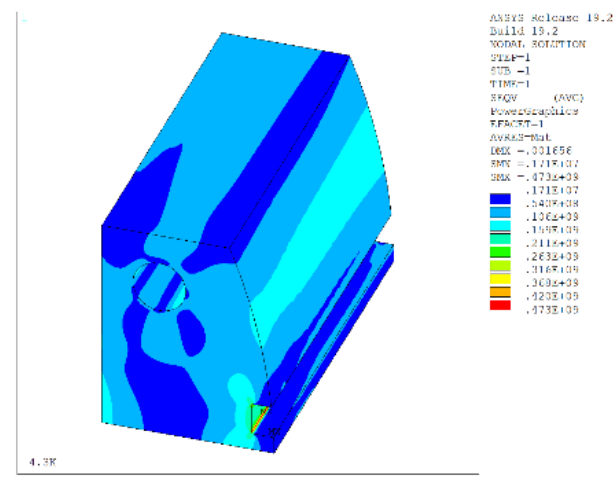
- 1st approach:
  - **Assuming a constant stress** (average peak stress) along the crack path
  - Very conservative
- Refined approach:
  - **Path from the max stress along the min. gradient line**
  - Stress is a function of the applied prestress
  - We refer here after to the stress applied on the pole with the standard assembly parameters

# 1<sup>st</sup> approach: stress limit & crack size results for MQXF. Constant stress

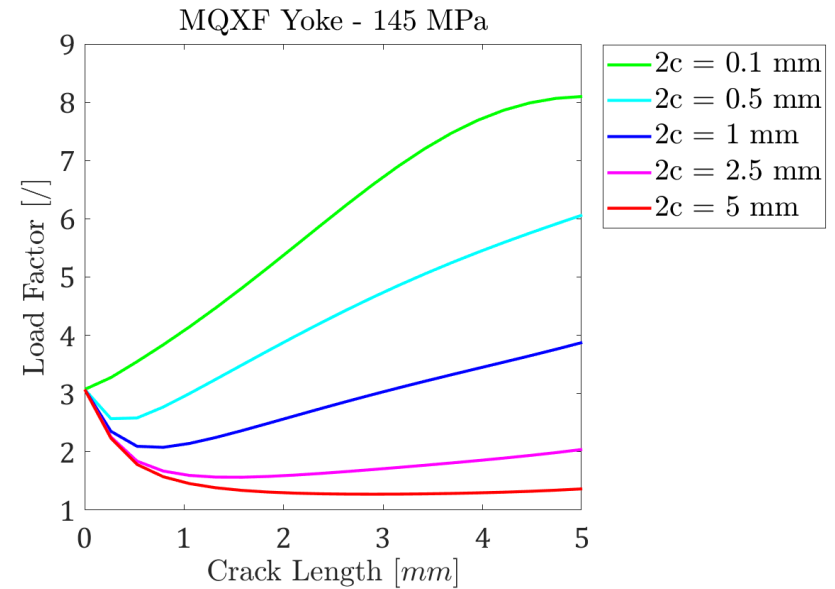
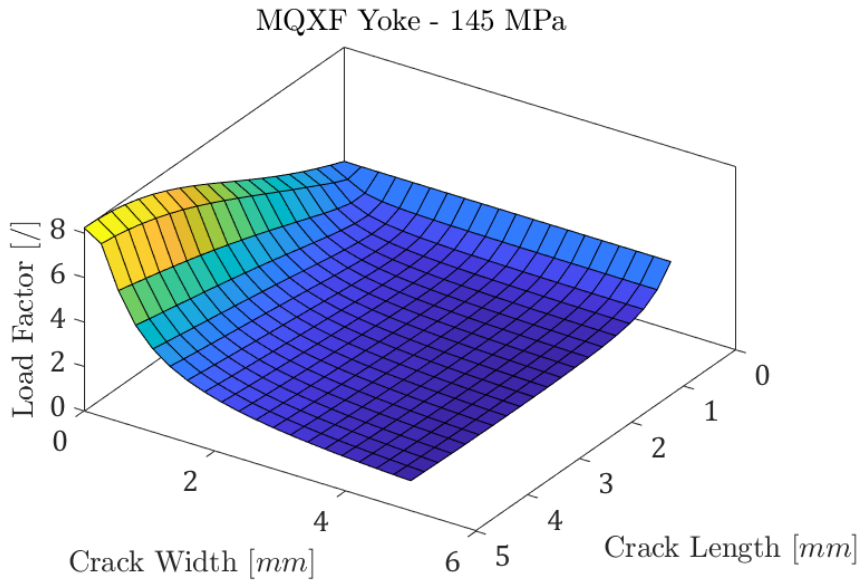


- For the stress profile of MQXF,  $K_I$  increases but the stress at the crack tip decreases when increasing crack length.
  - The crack preferentially propagates in width
  - UT detectability: With a UT inspection a flat bottom hole (FBH) of 1.2 mm would be easy to detect, the stress limit could go between 500 MPa and 750 MPa

Stress profile of MQXF

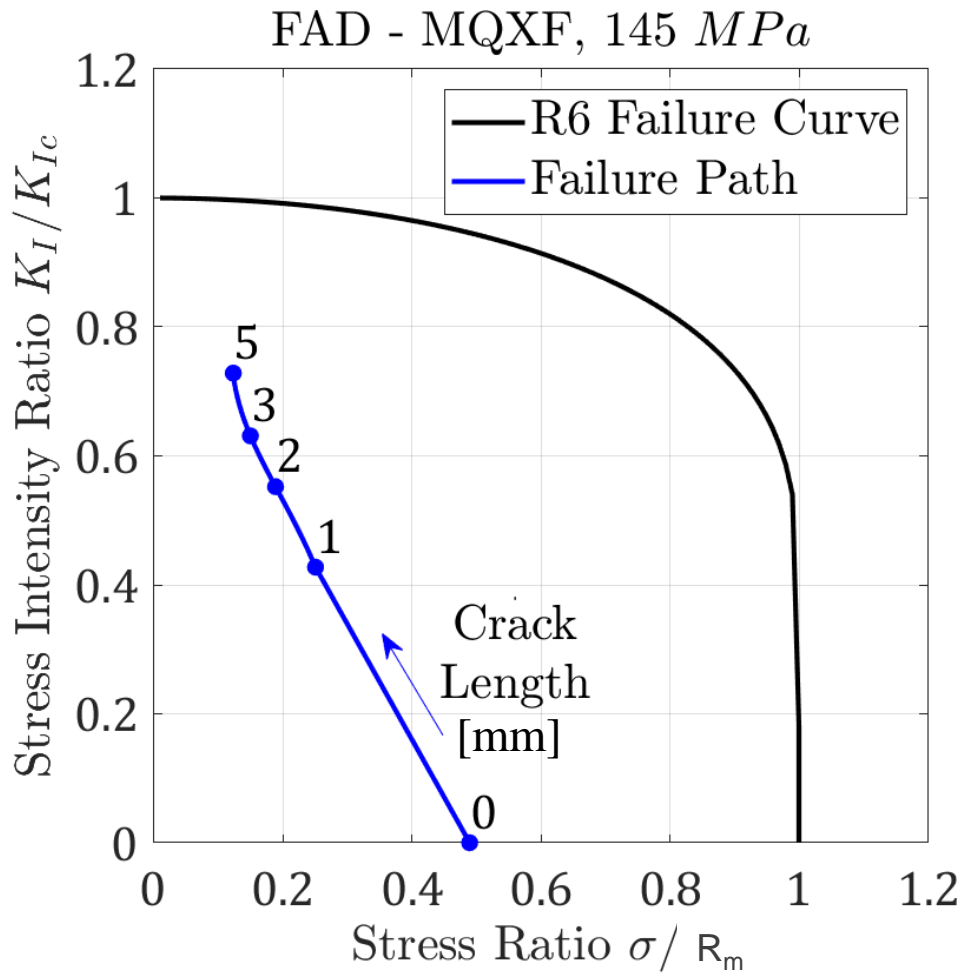


# Refined approach: FAD results for MQXF. Path from the max stress along the min. gradient line.



- With a UT inspection a flat bottom hole (FBH) of 1.2 mm would be easy to detect:
  - A minimum load factor of 2
- Load factor increases with crack length: For the stress profile of MQXF,  $K_I$  increases but the stress at the crack tip decreases.

# Refined approach: FAD results for MQXF



- Position in the FAD with increasing crack length and  $a = c$
- Very comfortably in the safe region



# Discussion of the results

## NDT

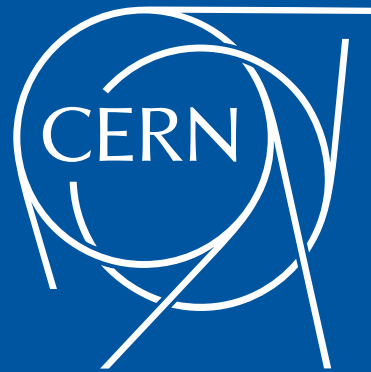
- Under the required conditions, it is technically possible to detect defects of 1.2 mm.
- It is typically done for high added value products (e.g. austenitic stainless steel > 10 CHF/Kg for this range of thickness).
- In addition, a surface inspection (visual, Eddy currents, penetrant testing) could be also put in place in order to detect surface cracks.
- Alternatively, a statistical NDT program could be performed for some 'as fine blanked' products at the surface and cross sections

# Conclusions

- Yoke lamination with **well-defined yield strength at warm and cold** are required for a **reliable and cost-efficient design**.
- Tensile properties at room and cryogenic temperature (4.2 K) have been assessed for ARMCO ©:
  - **$R_{e1} = 244 \text{ MPa @ RT}$** . Important value since should be enough to avoid plastic deformation during RT loading.
  - **$R_m = 974 \text{ MPa @ 4.2 K}$** , more than 3 times the value at RT. Material breaks in the elastic region (brittle).
- All samples which were tested survived the designed fatigue load cycles (security factor of 20 in the number of cycles).
- Based on the calculation performed with **fracture toughness @ 4.2 K of 26 MPa  $\sqrt{\text{m}}$**  and a detection limit in principle set to 1.2 mm, a **critical stress of 500 MPa is obtained**. A **refined calculation** shows a rather **high load factor** for different crack sizes.

# Conclusions

- The case study of **MQXF** shows that, when a **fracture mechanics' approach to design** is applied a **critical stress can go to rather high values** without jeopardizing the structural integrity of the magnets for small crack sizes.
- With a suitable NDT program, 100% of the volume can be controlled and imperfections of 1.2 mm can be detected, but would increase the production costs.
- **The two – step methodology** shown in this presentation (FAD constant stress along the path + refined method) **can be implemented for any future magnet design**.
- It has been shown here a **successful synergy between core competences of EN/MME** (NDT, material characterization + mechanical testing at cryogenic temperature) **and TE/MSC** (a very specialised application of advanced FEM)



Thanks for your attention. Questions??