

Siemens Activities in Superconductivity

PART I :

- Large Scale HTS-Applications
- System Aspects, Design & Integration

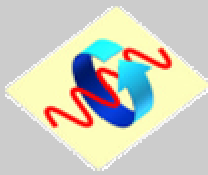
PART II :

- Technical HTS-conductors and HTS-windings
- Is HTS Technology mature for Large Scale High Field Magnets ?

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Large Scale HTS-Applications MRI Magnets

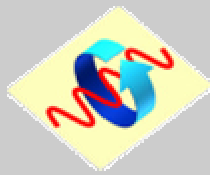
LTS Technology

- With first laboratory scale magnets in early 1980's Siemens co-developed a multi-million dollar business
- Siemens Medical Solutions and Oxford Magnetic Technologies manufacture app. 1200 MRI-Magnets/yr.
- LTS MRI Magnet Systems from 0.5 T up to 3.0 T
- World market for MRI has a volume of ≈ 3 Mrd \$/yr.



HTS Technology

- OMT OR10 - The world's first MRI-magnet with HTS-magnet coils
- Cryofree conduction cooling with a GM-type refrigerator for $T_{op} \approx 20K$
- DC-pancake windings for a low field open MRI-system
- C/P ratio is essential to beat conventional electromagnets or permanent magnets



Large Scale HTS-Applications

HTS-Transformer

Railway traction or distribution isle grid

- Weight = 50% - Volume = 50% - Efficiency = 92 → 99%
- Oil-free = environmental benefit, no fire hazard

Technical Characteristics

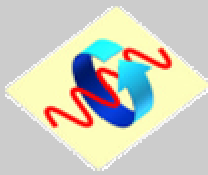
- $P = 1 \text{ MVA}$, $f = 50 \text{ Hz}$, $U = 25 \text{ kV}$, single-phase
- $I_{US} = 360 \text{ A}$, $I_{OS} = 40 \text{ A}$, $B_{HTS} < 500 \text{ mT}$, $\approx 7 \text{ km Bi-Tape}$
- Forced flow subcooled LN_2 (dielectric reasons) $T_{op} = 67 \text{ K}$

Operational experience

- short circuit, no load experiments, frequency variation, load variations, asymmetric operation
- design-tools and loss-models predict measurement results
- Successful testing of operation with a converter (harmonics)
- Transformer executed a load characteristic experiment with a 1 hour drive cycle „Wunstorf-Lehrte“
- Proven ability to drive ONE hour without cryocooler

Development challenges

- low AC-loss conductor – twisted filaments, high j_e
- reliable compact cryogenic system – $n \cdot 100 \text{ W}$
- FRP Cryostat with long vacuum stability for a warm iron core



Large Scale HTS-Applications

HTS-Motor / -Generator

First HTS-Industrial Motor (400kW) in Europe (2001) (BMBF funding)

- 3 yrs. continuous testing in a rough factory environment
- test with power converter passed in 4/02
- 4-pole, $n = 1500$ rpm, $f = 50$ Hz, $x = 0.1$ pu
- "invisible" cooling system (no liquid nitrogen, 10 yrs. operation)
- Test-Bed for scale-up of system components

still in operation !!!



.. compactness

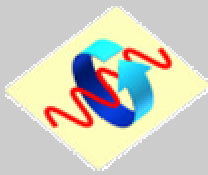
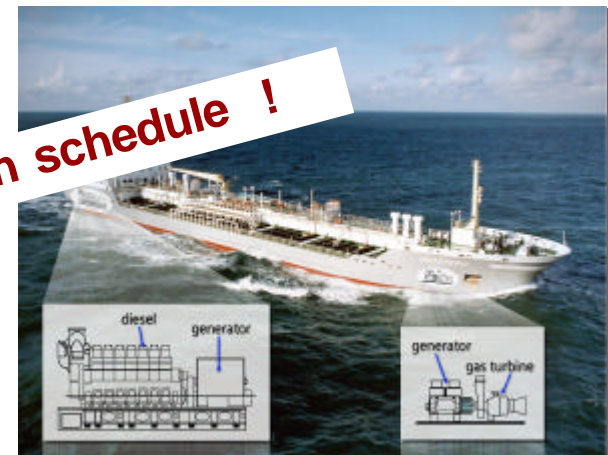
.. efficiency

.. stability

4 MVA HTS-Generator (2002-2005) (BMBF funding)

- Development for application on-board of ships
- Rotor with HTS-windings and brushless excitation
- Stator with Air-core winding from Cu-Litz
- $U = 6,6$ kV, 2-poles, $f = 60$ Hz, $n = 3600$ rpm
- Full-Load Testing with a power converter and in the public grid in the new Siemens Systemprüfhaus, Nürnberg
- Testing with a gasturbine in discussion

entering Phase III - within schedule !



System Aspects, Design & Integration

Key Technologies for HTS-applications

➤ HTS conductors

- physical application know-how : T_{op} , I_{op} , B_{op}

➤ Winding Know-How - Design & Manufacturing

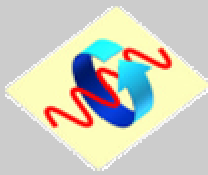
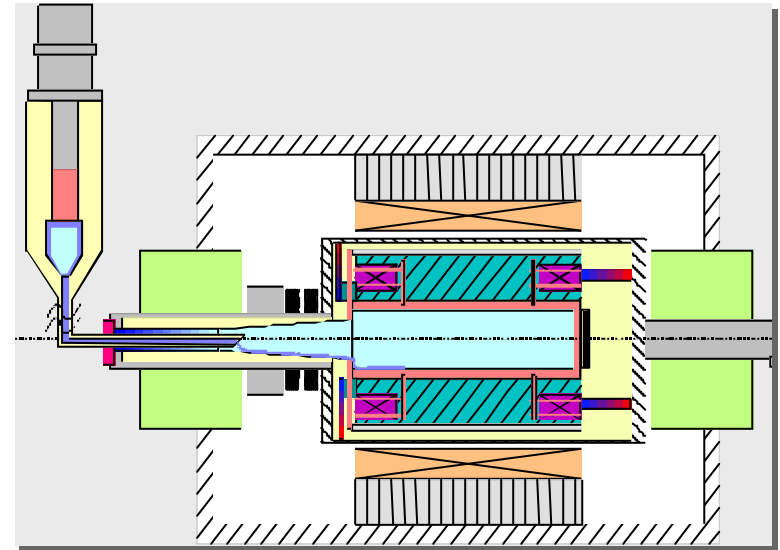
- mechanical, chemical & thermal tolerances
- handling, contact & joining technology
- quality control

➤ Electrotechnical system integration

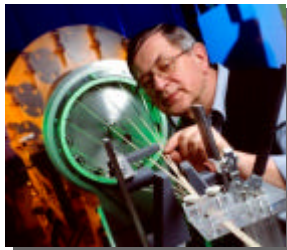
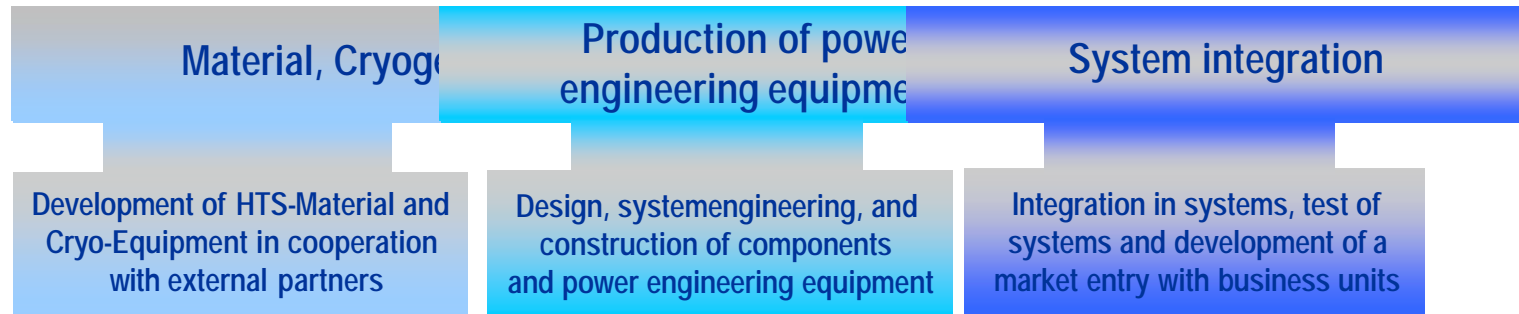
- design and construction rules & tools
- operation : converter-machine model
- protection concept

➤ Cryo and vacuum technology (rotating)

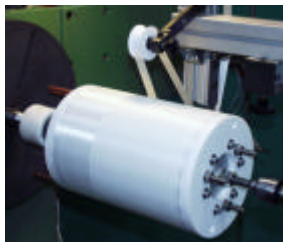
- closed cycle cooling system
- possibility to exchange primary cooler
- heat transfer by self-controlled thermosiphon



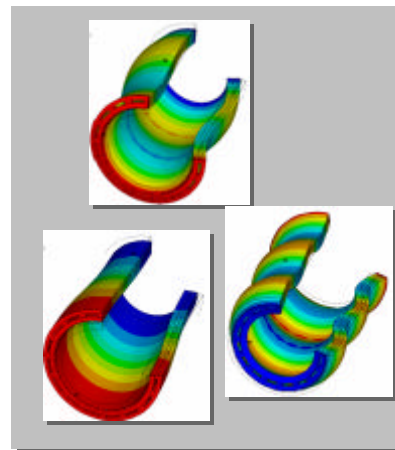
System Aspects, Design & Integration Development Process



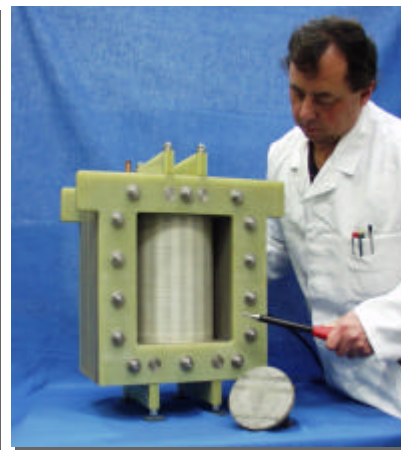
Technical Conductors



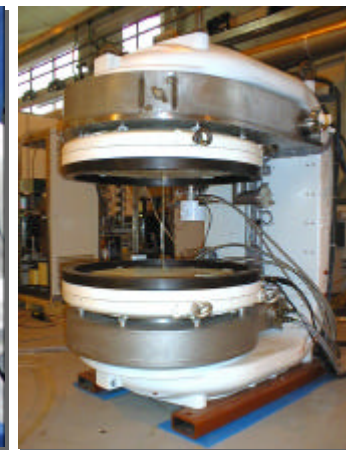
Design of windings



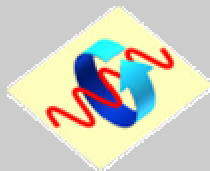
Systemengineering
Multiphysics-Simulation



HTS-Choke Coil



HTS-MRI-Magnet

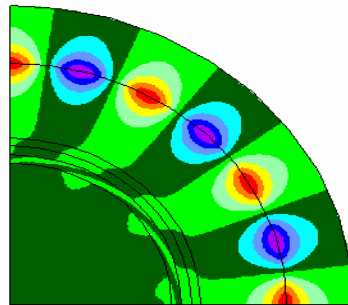


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Multiphysics Analysis

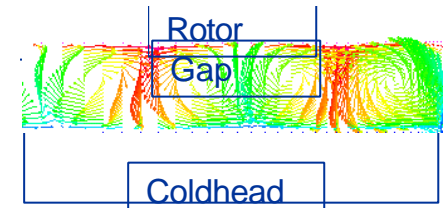
Electrodynamics

Shielding of Higher harmonics from the HTS windings with a damping shield



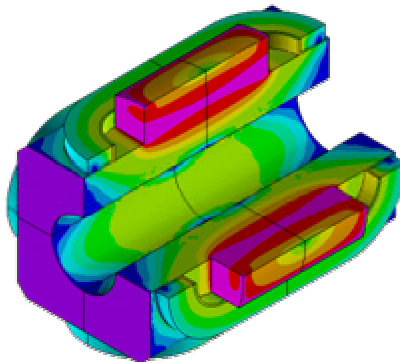
Cooling

Thermal Heat-Transfer between Coldhead and Rotor



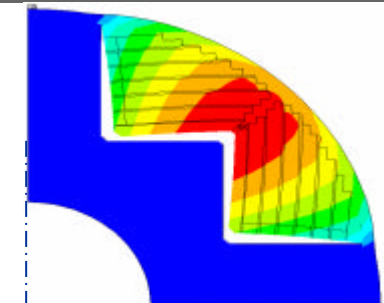
Magnetostatic Winding

Calculate magnetic fields for critical current, forces and moments in the conductors



Structural Mechanics

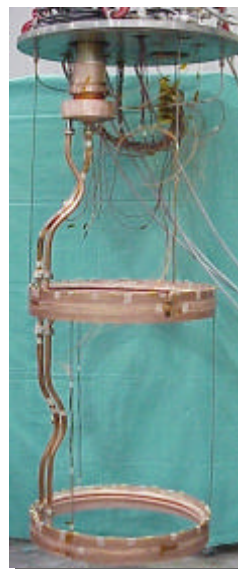
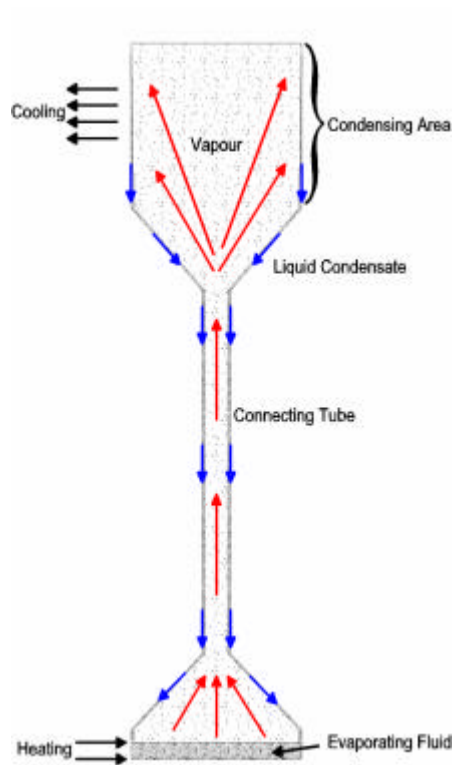
Dislocations, tensions induced by centrifugal and magnetic forces



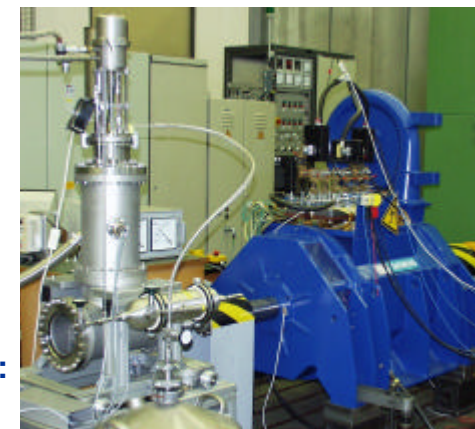
System Aspects, Design & Integration Cryogenics

Thermosiphons comprise ...

- ... closed-cycle cooling system
- ... Self-Control
- ... high thermal heat transfer capacity



25-30K (Neon):
HTS MRI Magnet
(cooling testbed)



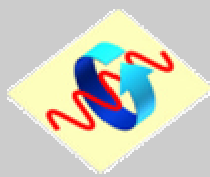
25-30K (Neon):
HTS Motor



4.2K (Helium):
Superc. Switch



4.2K (Helium):
MRI magnets

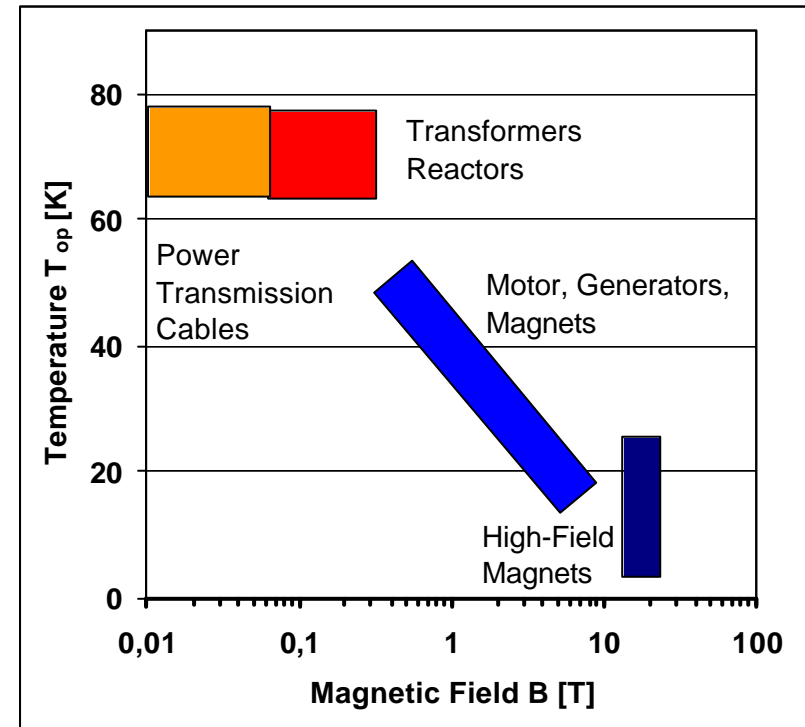


Power & Sensor
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Power Components
& Superconductivity

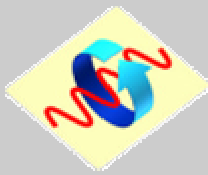
Technical HTS-Conductors & HTS-Windings Requirements

Requirements for flexible HTS Conductor

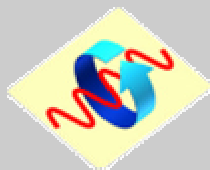
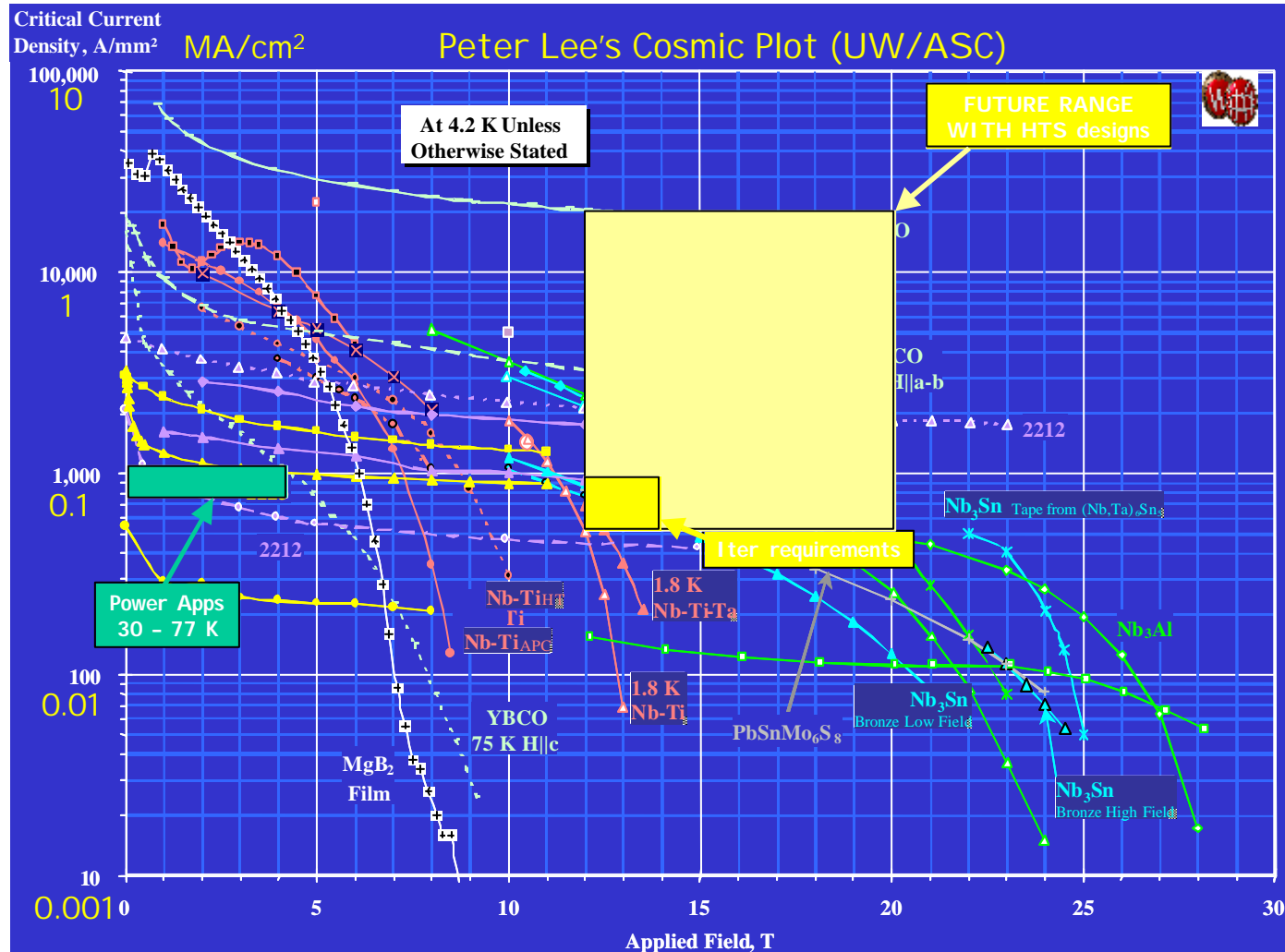
- **availability in km-batches**
- **mechanical properties**
 - mechanically reinforced
- **high current capacity 0.1 – 5 kA**
 - large superconductor content
- **low Cost 10\$/kAm (DoE)**
 - high engineering current density j_e
 - high critical current density j_c
- **low AC-losses (<0.45mW/Am /77K)**
 - short twist
 - thin filaments
 - High transverse resistivity



Operational parameters for Power engineering equipment



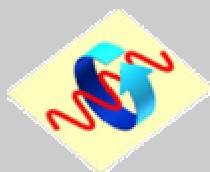
Technical HTS-Conductors & HTS-Windings Application Ranges - Material Selection



Technical HTS-Conductors & HTS-Windings

HTS-Tape Conductor Properties

Parameter	Bi-2223/Ag-Tape	YBCO-CC-Tape	YBCO-CC-Tape outlook
Type	AgMg / Ag	IBAD / PLD	CSD
Available length	500-1500 m	10 m	>100 m
Width x thickness [mm ²] (typ.)	4 x 0.25	4 x 0.1	10 x 0.15
SC fill factor λ	25-35%	1-3 %	1-3 %
Critical current $I_c(77K,0T)$	80...140 A	120 A	+
Current Density $j_e(77,sf)$	100 A/mm ²	300 A/mm ²	125 A/mm ²
Current Density $j_e(25,4T \text{ perp})$	100 A/mm ²	340 A/mm ²	220 A/mm ²
Stabilized, insulated			
Current per width	200 A/cm	> 200 A/cm	+
$I_c(66K)/I_c(77K)$	1.7	2.1	
$I_c(0.1T_{ })/I_c(0T)$	0.80	0.55	
$I_c(0.1T_{\perp})/I_c(0T)$	0.31	0.47	
AC-loss $0.1T_{ }, 50Hz$	0.3-1.0 mW/Am	<0.003 mW/Am	< 0.003 mW/Am
AC-loss $0.1T_{\perp}, 50Hz$	15 mW/Am	15 mW/Am	45 mW/Am
Critical bending radius	50 mm	< 15 mm	< 25 mm
Critical Tension (axial)	100...150 MPa	400 MPa	150
Handling	Robust	Sensitive	+
Insulation	wrapped, extruded	Not available	+
Stability,	High,	Low,	+
Normal resistance	< 10 m Ω /m	> 1 Ω /m	



Technical HTS-Conductors & HTS-Windings

Which critical current to use ?

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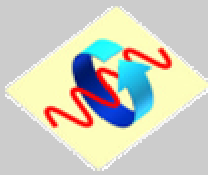
- **High critical current I_c** keeps winding effort low (=cost) and keeps inductance low
- **High engineering current densities j_e** for compact windings (power density) in motors, generators, transformers, magnets, ...
- **High current per width I_c/w** is required esp. in transmission lines (power cables)

From the I_c of the tape to the attainable current density J_w in a winding (M.Oomen)

- Critical current (density) at 77K in self field $I_{c,sf}$
- Critical current density at the operating point (Temperature, cooling technology , magnetic field) $j_e(T_{op}, B_{op})$
- Critical current density of a stabilised tape (device depend requirements)
- Critical current density of an insulated tape (varnish, extruded, wrapped, process temperature ?)
- attainable current density in a winding (fill factor, cooling design, winding type) J_w

➤ Final Results :	Bi2223	YBCO (PLD)	YBCO (MOD/CSD)	
j_e 77K, sf	100 A/mm ²	300 A/mm ²	125 A/mm ²	bare tape
J_w 77 K, 0.1 T	35 A/mm ²	42A/mm ²	25 A/mm ²	winding
J_w 25 K, 4 T _⊥	60 A/mm ²	204 A/mm ²	130 A/mm ²	winding

YBCO-tapes are comparable/better than Bi-2223-tapes for high power density windings



Technical HTS-Conductors & HTS-Windings

AC-Current and High-current Applications

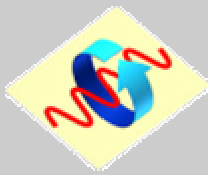
HTS Tapes for AC-applications - Twisted Tapes

$$\text{Magnetisation Loss : } P_{\text{mag}}/I_c = p_{\text{co}} B^3 / (B_{\text{co}}^3 + B_{\text{co}} B^2) f / 50\text{Hz} + q_{\text{co}} (B / B_{\text{co}})^2 (f / 50\text{Hz})^2$$

- parallel field loss can be decreased by increasing w/l_p
- perpendicular field loss is independent of w/l_p – tape width determines AC-loss
- minimum parallel field loss (0.3 mW/Am) = hysteresis loss of filaments
- width / Twist- ratio > 0.3 causes degradation
- twist length typical : 8...14 mm
- engineering critical current density $j_e = 50\text{-}65 \text{ A/mm}^2$
- Resistive matrix Ag-Pd possible – Barrier concept technical not mature

High-current conductors - Roebel bar conductor

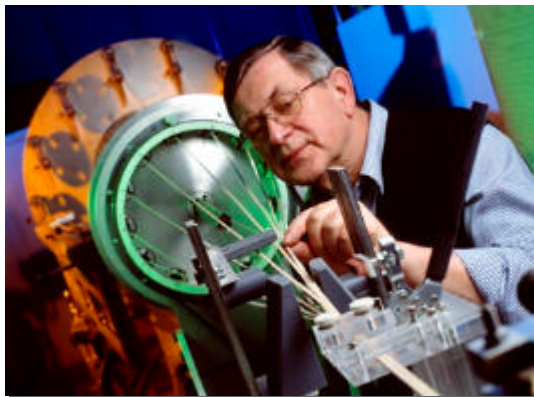
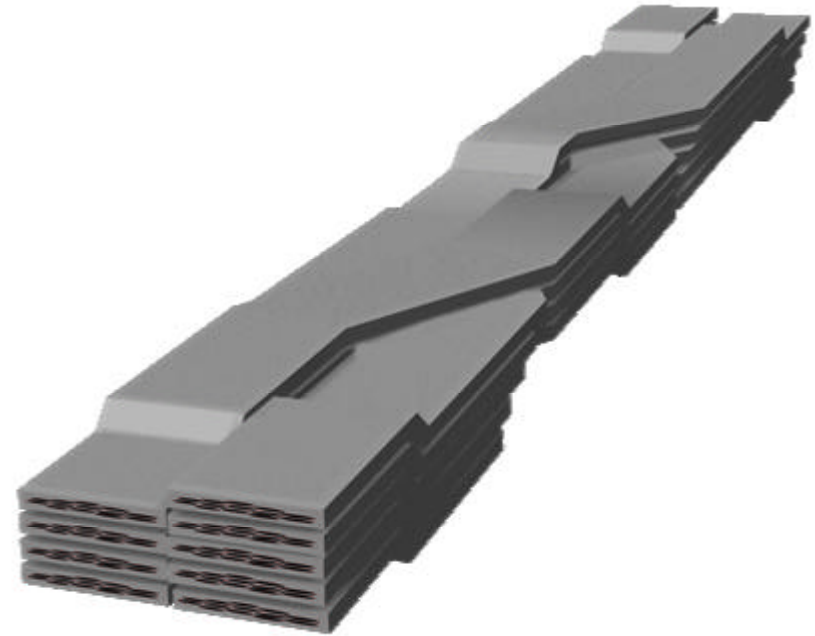
- Critical current assembled conductors : $I_{c,\text{design}} = \Sigma I_{c,\text{tape}} = 673 \text{ A}$, $I_{c,\text{cable}} = 400 \text{ A}$ (77K)
- Self-field induced I_c reduction to 60...70% of nominal $I_{c,\text{design}}$
- Self-field model for I_c reduction : increasing # of tapes and increasing critical current $I_{c,\text{tape}}$
- BUT : cabled conductors are designed for high field windings – self field is uncritical
- NO affection of tape properties (n -value, I_c) by cabling process
- AC-loss behaves as for a monoblock
- scaling of transport AC-losses for different conductors with Norris Ellipse model



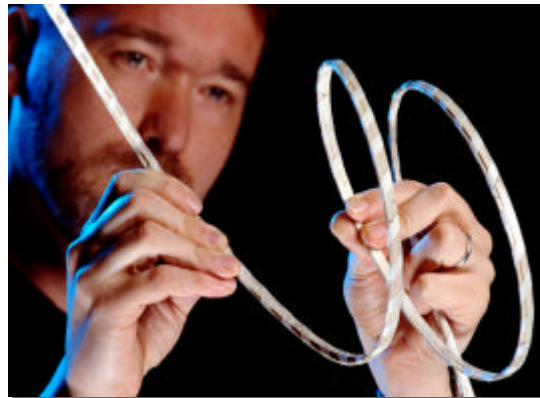
Technical HTS-Conductors & HTS-Windings High Current Assemble

Roebel bar conductor

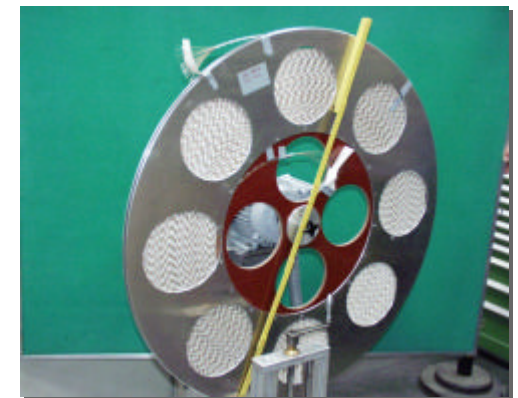
- modular concept for high-current conductors
- transposed strands for low ac-loss
- insulated strands - thin coated plastics
- flexibility for coil winding
- long-lengths production - semiautomatic
- developed for HTS transformers
- presently not applicable for YBCO



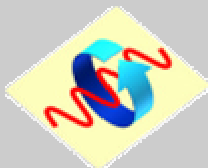
Laboratory Cabling Facility LARA



Flexible conductor



13-strand conductor, length=160m

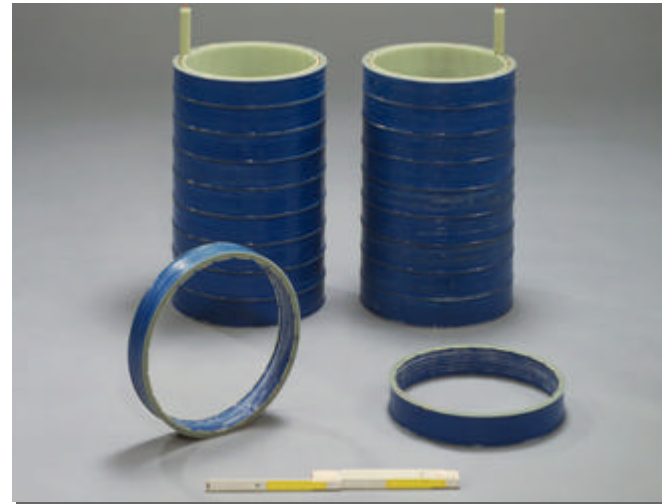


Technical HTS-Conductors & HTS-Windings

Solenoid Layer Windings – Traction transformer

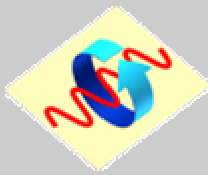
Primary windings

- High voltage solenoid windings
- Bi2223/Ag-conductor, high-strength sheath
- thermoplastic coated insulation
- 9 Discs of solenoid layer windings with inter-coil connection
- 19 layer per disc, 2016 turns in total
- $I_N = 40 \text{ A}$
- AC-operation, $T_{op} = 67 \text{ K}$



Secondary windings

- Low voltage windings with high amperage
- 13-strand Bi2223/Ag-Roebel conductor
- thermoplastic coated insulation
- Internal or external (!) FRP-mandrel
- 1 layer with 56 turns
- $I_N = 360 \text{ A}$
- AC-operation, $T_{op} = 67 \text{ K}$



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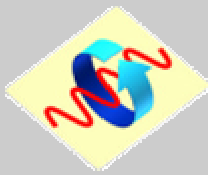
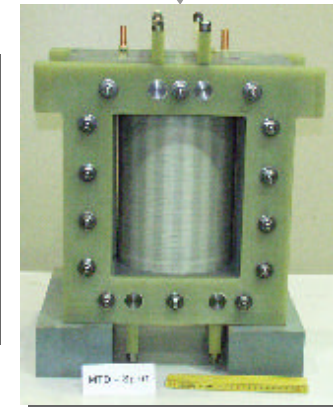
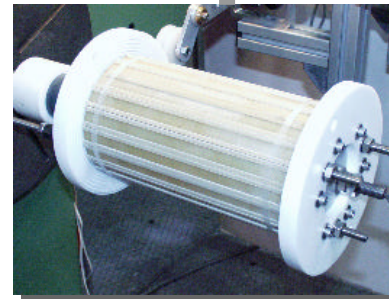
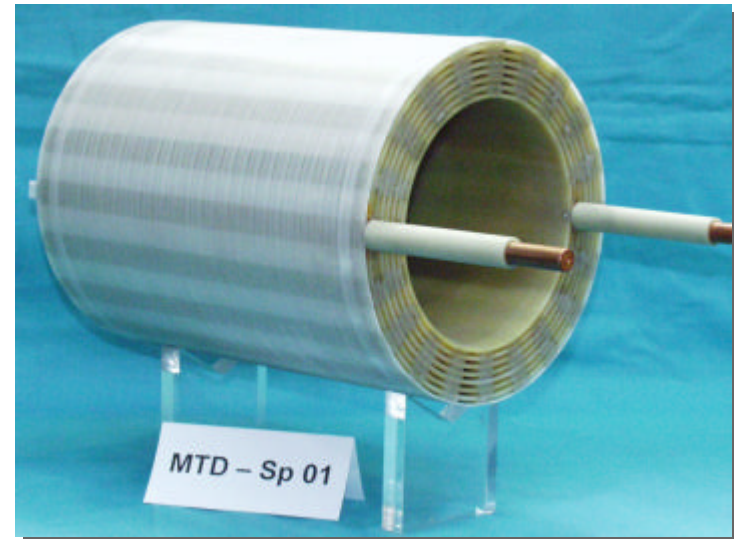
Roebel windings – HTS-Choke coil

High amperage windings

for power engineering equipment with current
100...1000 A require assembled conductors

HTS-Choke coil

- Cable 13-strand fully-transposed,
105 m length, 13 x 0.9mm²
- $I_{c,sf,T_{op}=66K} = 443 \text{ A}$, $I_{c,sf,77K} = 247 \text{ A}$
- Elementary conductor 1362 m
high-strength Bi-2223 tape
- winding with 6 layers and 192 turns
- Internal cooling channels for LN₂ bath cooling
- Dry winding and vacuum resin impregnation
- $P = 208 \text{ kW (reactive)}$
 $L = 5.5 \text{ mH}$, $f = 50 \text{ Hz}$,
- Axial Field at $I_c(T_{op})/50\text{Hz} = 585\text{mT}$



Technical HTS-Conductors & HTS-Windings

Racetrack Windings – Motor, Generator

HTS-Racetrack winding

- Bi2223/Ag-conductor, single-strand,
- thermoplastic coated insulation, Cu-mandrel
- Wet-winding with epoxy resin
- ≈ 100 windings
- conduction cooling, $T_{op} = 20...30K$
- DC-current operation with $I = 40\text{ A}$



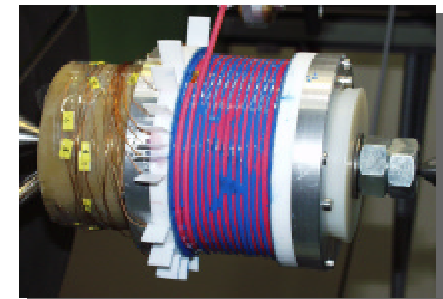
Pole windings of
400kW HTS-Motor

HTS-Experimental windings

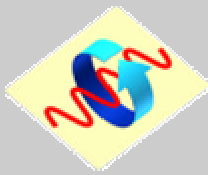
- commercial winding machine adjusted for winding of HTS tapes
- measurement and control of winding tension
- flexible adjustment for any kind of coil
- HTS tape handling, guidance, co-winding
- dry-winding, wet winding and vacuum impregnation



1st pancake winding
from 10m YBCO CC



Multi-layer solenoid
from Bi2223-tape



Technical HTS-Conductors & HTS-Windings Present Status

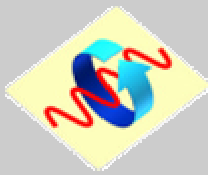
**From the viewpoint of a magnet or power equipment manufacturer
HTS-Winding Technology (for Bi-tapes) is developed and proofed :**

- applications in 4 K, 20...30 K, 60...80K temperature ranges
- winding adapted to flat tapes : 3...5 mm x 0.1...0.3 mm and assembled conductors (2n+1)-strand with typ. 7...10 mm x 1...4 mm
- wet winding or dry winding with vacuum resin impregnation (all React & Wind)
- low post-processing temperatures (insulation & tape)
- splicing and joining technology for elementary tapes (Bi - not CC)
- bath cooling or conduction cooling via eg. Mandrel
- intrinsic stabilization in Bi/Ag-tapes or co-winding with metal-tape

Further developments should preferably allow a FORM-Fit replacement of the conductor by YBCO CC with a high engineering current density j_e

Whishes for the future :

no anisotropy, round wires, long batches, low C/P, tiny filaments,



Is HTS Technology mature for Large Scale High Field (LSHF) Magnets ? - Design-Process

Replacement Approach

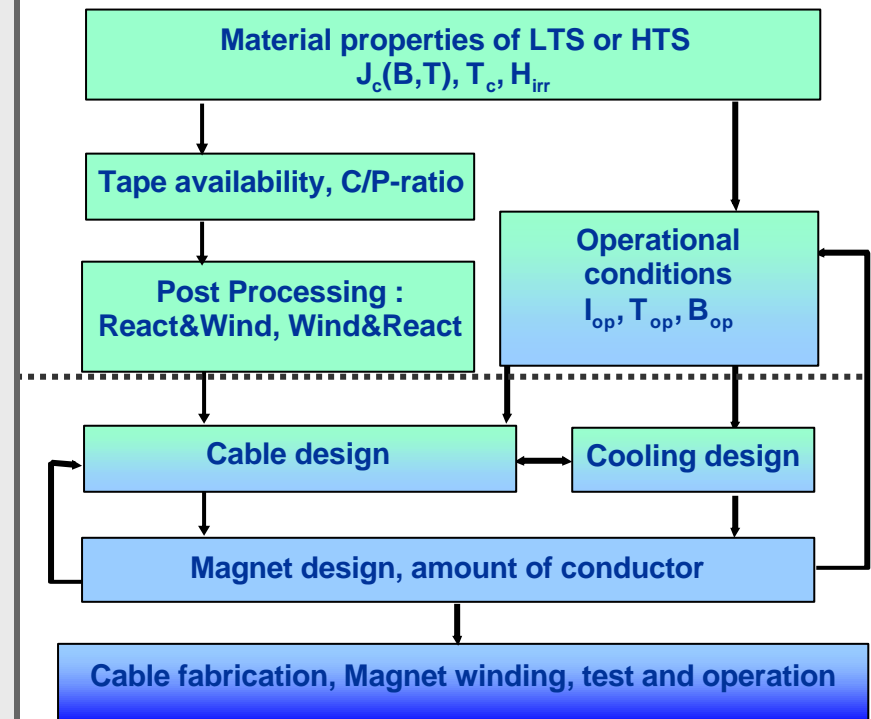
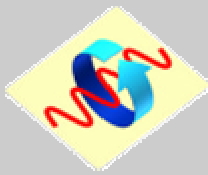
Substitute 1:1 LTS-Technology

- LTS : CICC, Compaction of jacket onto cable , W&R, LHe-coolant, $T_{op} = 4.2K$, $B_{op} \geq 13T$
- Performance as good as LTS
- Competitive C/P ratio drives replacement
- Improve performance and reduce process cost of HTS
- new mechanical concepts

Enabling Approach

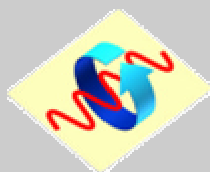
Exploit advantages of HTS-conductor by Re-Design of Magnets

- performance under high fields $B > 20T$
- enhanced $T_{op} = 20 \dots 30 K$ enables cryo-free cooling and lowers cost of operation
- higher temperature margin ΔT - enhanced stability
- new mechanical concepts

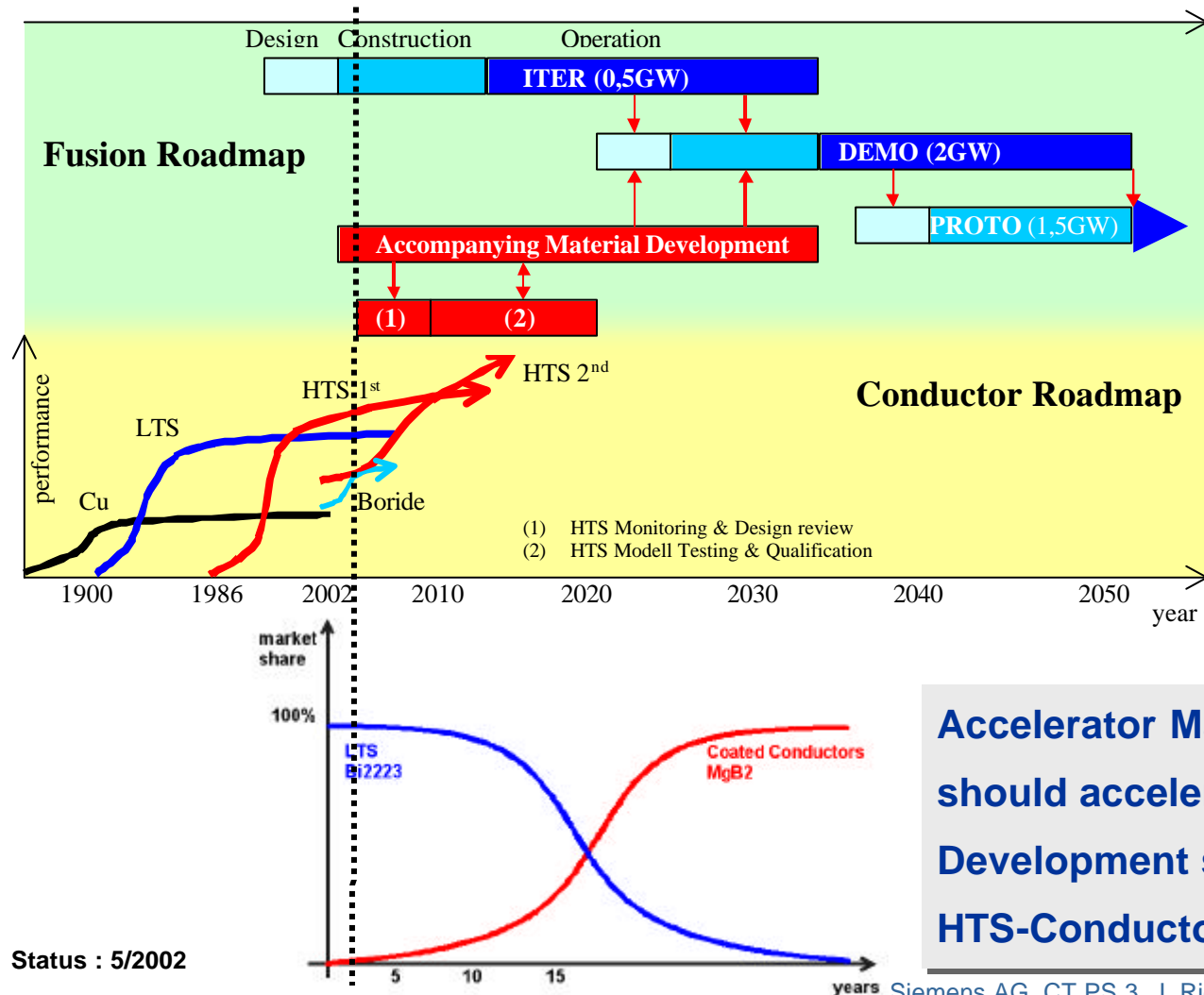


Is HTS Technology mature for Large Scale High Field (LSHF) Magnets ?

Parameter	LTS Magnet	HTS Magnet
Conductor	Nb3Sn CCIC	Assembled Conductors of Bi/Ag-Tapes or YBCO CC
Current density j_c	Reference	Multiple - no strain dependence below e_c
C/P ratio	Reference	Lower (YBCO-CSD)
Insulation	External wound prepregs	Bi : available YBCO-CC : tbd
Magnet construction	Self-supporting	Supporting plate/mandrel
Magnet fabrication	Wind & React (high risk)	React & Wind (minized risk)
Stability	Low Stability Internal Cu and Cryogenic stabilization	Intrinsic (Ag), Impregnation (Pb) or Add-on conductor (Cu) Bi : high stability YBCO : low stability
Stability margin DT	mK Range	10 K Range = reduced quench risk
Cooling	Direct internal He-Cooling	Indirect via separate (He-)channel, conduction cooling
Operation	Pulsed mode possible	Small field change rates dB/dt
Magnetic field B	Limited B	Very small dj_c/dB for $B \gg 13T$
Investment	High	Medium (2 nd Gen CC)
Cost of operation	High (4K)	Medium (20K)
R&D needs	Small	Concept for 20K Magnets, C/P-improvement, low cost process (CSD)
Status	Close to Saturation	Development with potential



Is HTS Technology mature for Large Scale High Field (LSHF) Magnets ? - Roadmap Matching ?



**Accelerator Magnets
should accelerate the
Development speed for
HTS-Conductors !**



Summary

Status

- HTS is economically not competitive at the moment to substitute (1:1) Nb₃Sn in LSHF-magnets
- HTS wire meet most j_e and mechanical requirements, AC-loss dependent on field ramp rate requirements
- **A Redesign of the magnets ($T \gg 20..30K$, high B-field) will fully exploit the advantages of HTS**
- Winding technology for Bi/Ag-Tapes is well developed and 1st transfers for form-fit YBCO CC are successful
- Modelling tools for the design of HTS-windings regard the specific field and temperature $j_c(B,T)$, $n(B,T)$ etc.

Outlook

- **Develop new Magnet concepts for the use of HTS in LSHF applications**
including concepts for mechanical forces, cooling, thermal and electrical stabilization.
- Monitor and drive further progress in the **development of secondary key components**
(Cryocoolers, Cryostats, sealings, bearings etc.)
- **Monitor and drive the HTS-material development constantly**

Bi2212	low cost production process, fine filamentary high current wires
Bi2223	lower process cost by production ramp up, performance increase j_e , low AC-loss
YBCO	long length production with low cost process, stabilization, joining, insulation
MgB₂	(4.2K application ?) current density, preparation progress, multifilamentary wires

