

Development and First Test of the US-MDP 15 T Nb₃Sn Dipole Demonstrator MDPCT1

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Outline

In June 2019 the HFM group at Fermilab has tested a new accelerator dipole magnet based on Nb₃Sn superconductor, which produced a world record field of 14.1 Tesla at 4.5 K.

Outline

- Magnet design and analysis
- Magnet technology
- Quench performance (training)
- Conclusions and next steps







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15 T Dipole Program Goals

- Demonstration of 15+ T field level in accelerator magnet with Nb₃Sn superconductor
- Study and optimization of:
 - magnet quench performance and mechanics
 - field quality
 - quench protection
 - cost optimization



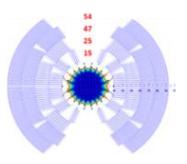


15 T Dipole Design Selection

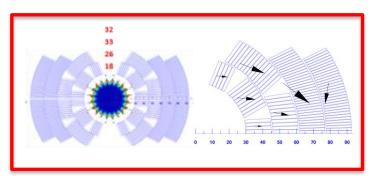
Coil geometry:

- 60-mm aperture
- min conductor volume
- 4-layer graded "block-cos-theta" coil
- Selection criteria:

B_{max}, FQ, forces, protection



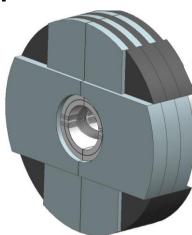
classic cos-theta

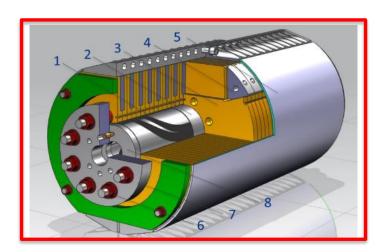


block-cos-theta

Innovative mechanical design:

- min number of parts
- widely available materials
- 3D clamp-iron lock
- stronger clamp
- thinner welded skin
- smaller OD
- Criteria: structural integrity, coil stress and deformation





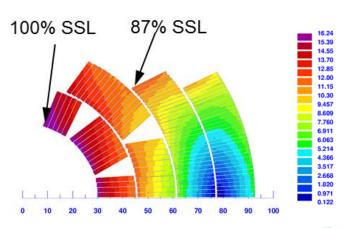
collarless, AL I-clamp, 12mm SS skin

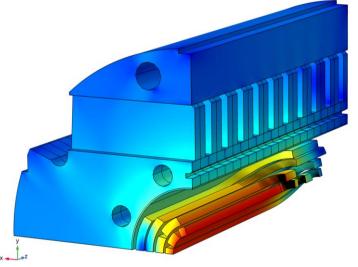




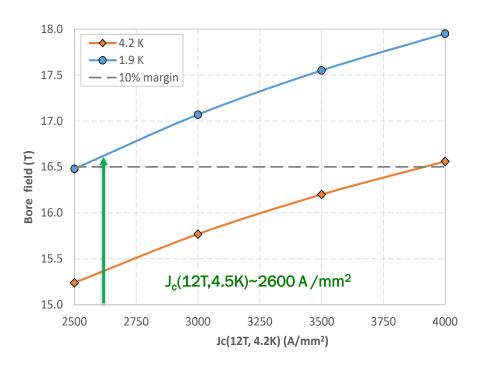


Magnet Conductor Limit





Courtesy V.V. Kashikhin



Magnet <u>conductor limit</u> for the wire

 $J_c(12T,4.2K)\sim 2.6 \text{ kA/mm}^2$

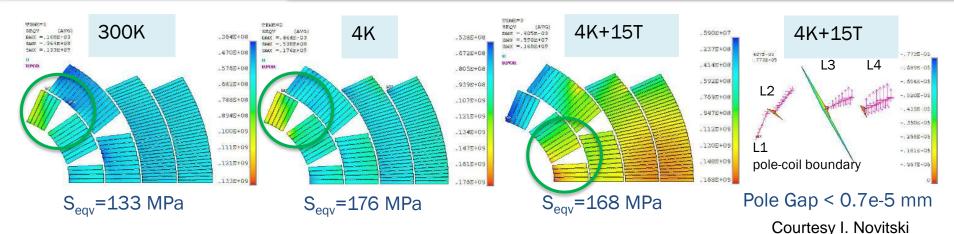
- $B_{ap} = 15.3T @ 4.5K$
- $B_{ap} = 16.7T @ 1.9K$







2D Mechanical Analysis









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Magnet <u>mechanical design limit</u> is determined by the coil maximum stress and the coil turn separation from poles at 15T bore field







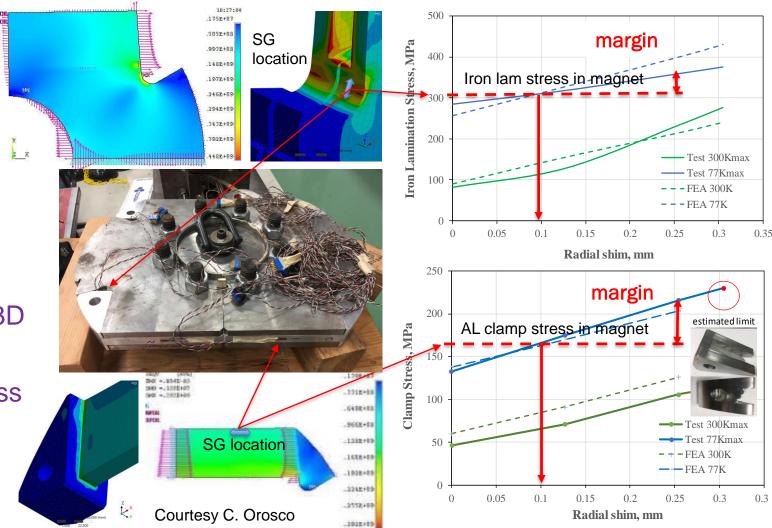
Mechanical Model Tests

MM Goals:

 Test brittle yoke and clamps

Validate
 mechanical
 analysis, 2-3D

Develop coil pre-stress targets







Coil Components

Cable (FNAL) L3/4 parts (FNAL) 3 sets 4 sets Traces (LBNL/FNAL) L2 L4









Coil Fabrication Process









Coil winding and curing using ceramic binder

Coil reaction

Coil lead splicing, epoxy impregnation

Coil size measurement, instrumentation







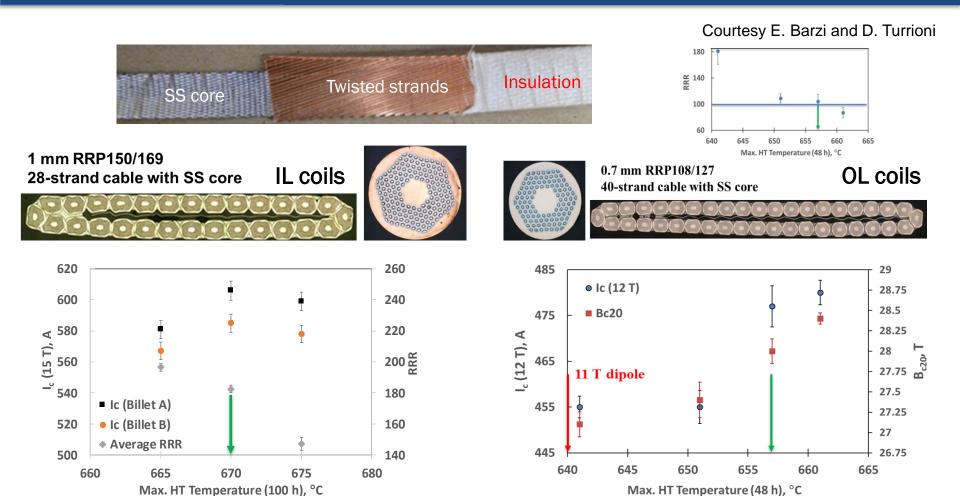


Coil fabrication, measurement and instrumentation time ~3 months





Nb₃Sn Strands and Cables



Sensitivity study of I_c and RRR to heat treatment parameters

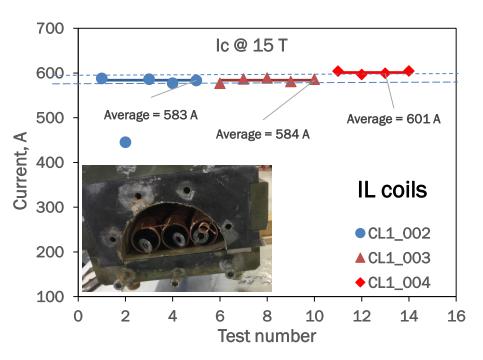


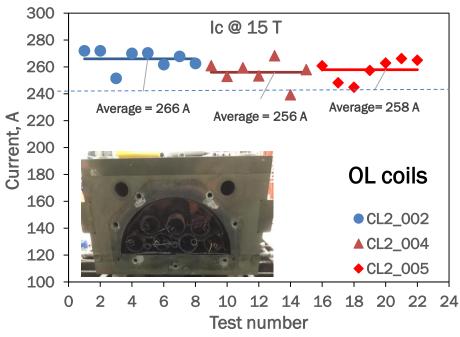




Witness Sample Data and Magnet SSL





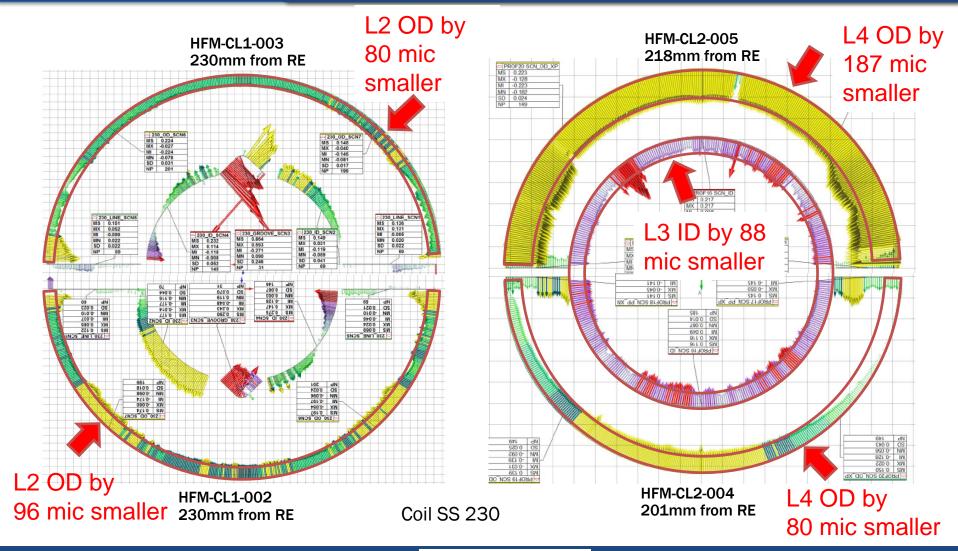


- Witness sample data are close to the target I_c
- Good reproducibility of witness sample data for IL and OL coils
- Magnet short sample limit: 15.16 T @4.5K and 16.84 T @1.9K





Coil Interfaces Analysis and Optimization

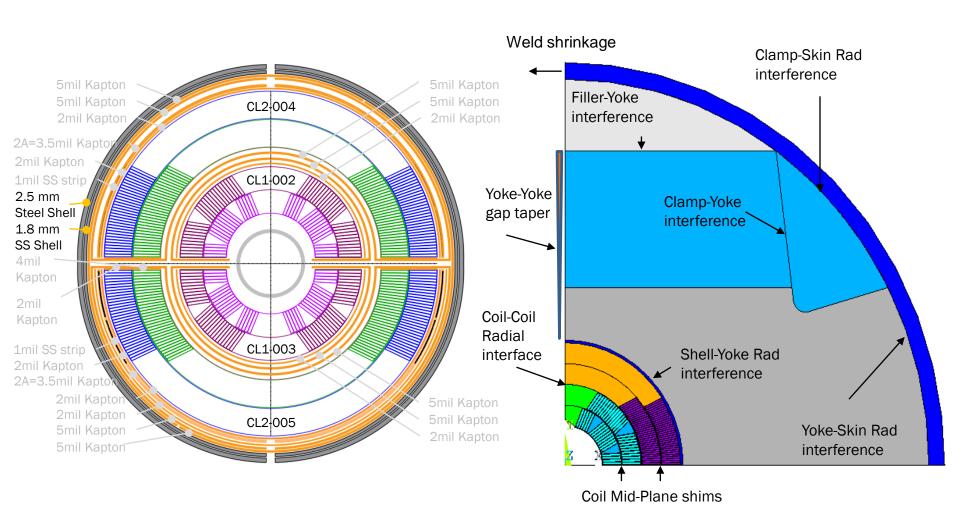








Coil Assembly and Preload Scheme









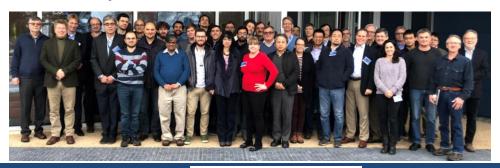
TAC Recommendations

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Recommendations:

- Maintain as the priority for the cos-theta approach using the clamped mechanical structural design to realize a field of about 14 T, with special attention to mechanical stress management and control.
- Continue with demonstration of 15 T cos-theta performance only after the review of the 14 T magnet test results and feedback from the international workshop.

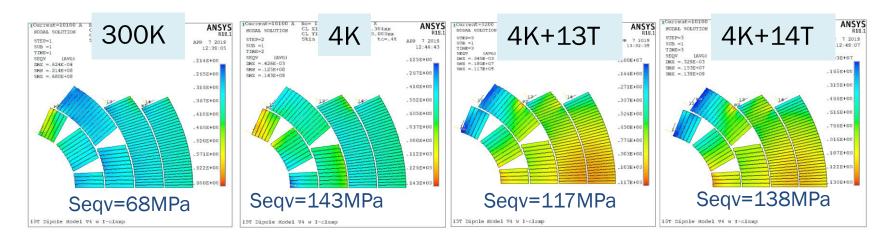






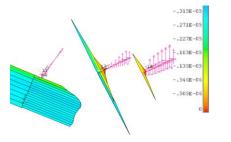


Target Coil Prestress for the First Assembly

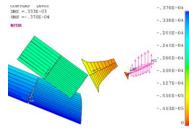


Conservative pre-stress:

S_{max} at all steps <150 MPa







Inner Pole at 14T Gap=0.037mm





Coil Assembly, Yoking and Skinning



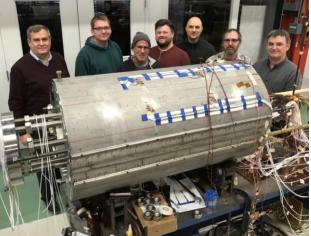


















Magnet Test Preparation







Test preparation ~1.5 months









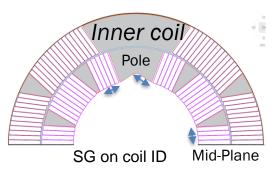
Instrumentation



Skin and bullet gauges

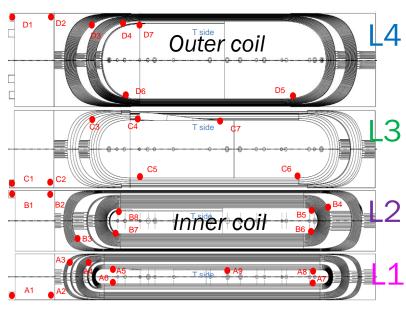




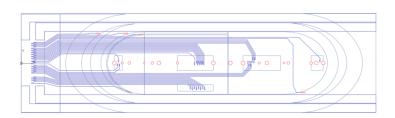


Flexible "Trace" QA

- Voltage taps
- Protection heaters
- Strain Gauges skin, clamps bullets, poles, coils
- Quench antennas
- Acoustic sensors
- Thermometers



VT location



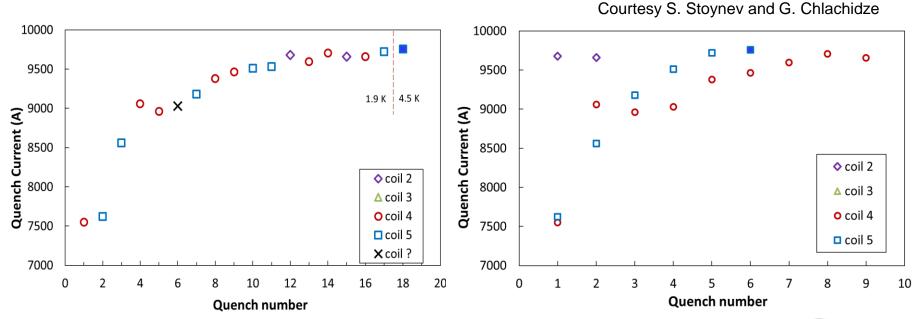
Layer 4 Traces



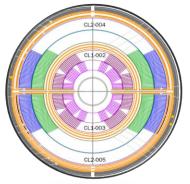




Magnet Training



- Magnet was trained at 1.9K
- Highest achieved quench current 9758 A at 4.5 K
- Only 2 quenches in IL
- OL quenches are equally distributed between coil 4 and coil 5
- Magnet quenching was stopped after reaching the goal of ~14 T to avoid coil damage

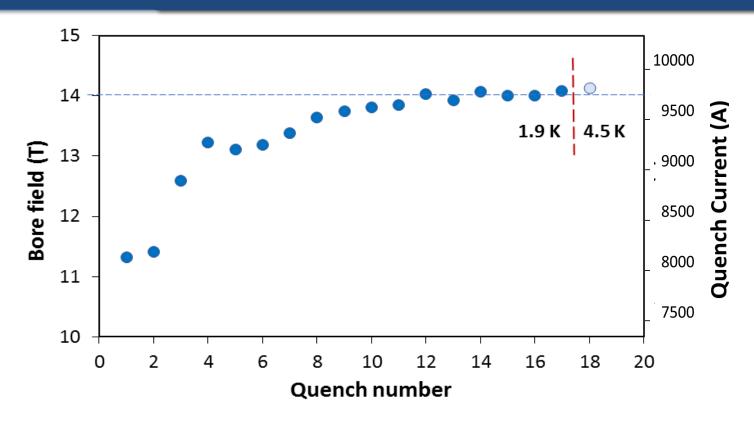


Layers: 4 3 2 1





Maximum Field Achieved



First quenches above 11 T

Maximum bore field at 4.5K measured 14.10±0.04 T calculated 14.112 T







Summary and Next Steps

- 1-m long 15 T dipole model (MDPCT1) has been developed, fabricated and first tested at Fermilab (June 2019)
- The goals of the first test have been achieved

B_{max} = 14.10±0.04 T <u>record field at 4.5 K for accelerator magnets!</u>

Next steps

- Magnet re-assembly
 - increase coil pre-load to achieve the goal of 15 T
 - improve instrumentation
- Magnet second test in the fall-winter of 2019

