



# Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn High Field Magnets for the High Luminosity LHC Upgrade Project

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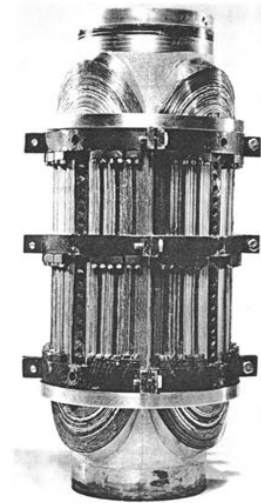


# Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets: 1960s

- Better performance (~50%) at 4.2 K than NbTi at 1.8 K
- Larger temperature margin
- Development of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets started in the 60's

BNL 76 mm aperture Quad from Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Tape

W. B. Sampson, MT-2 1967

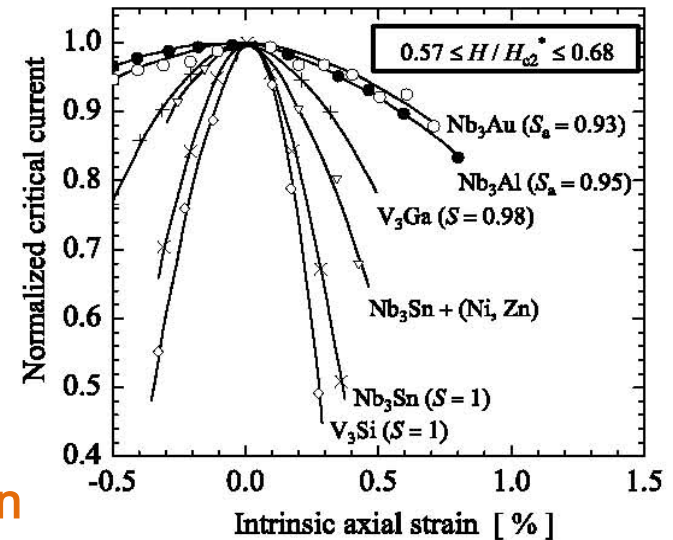


## Why not yet?

“Why there is no Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet in any High Energy accelerator?”

**Because Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn is a brittle material**

- Large degradation vs strain
- Irreversible degradation at 0 - 0.4% intr. strain



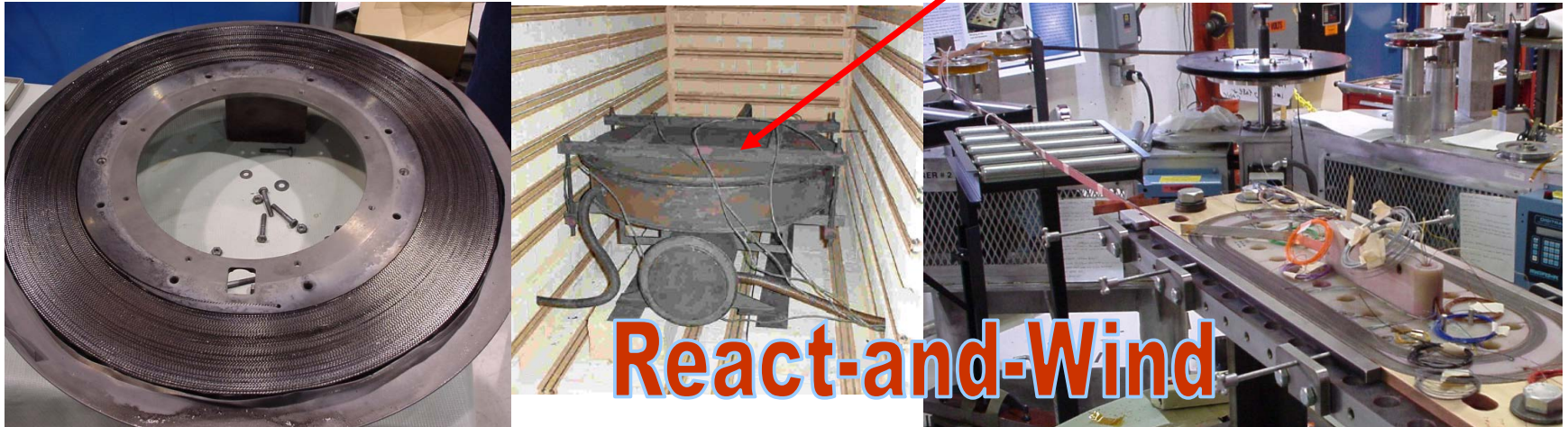
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R. Flukiger et al.,

# Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Fabrication Technologies



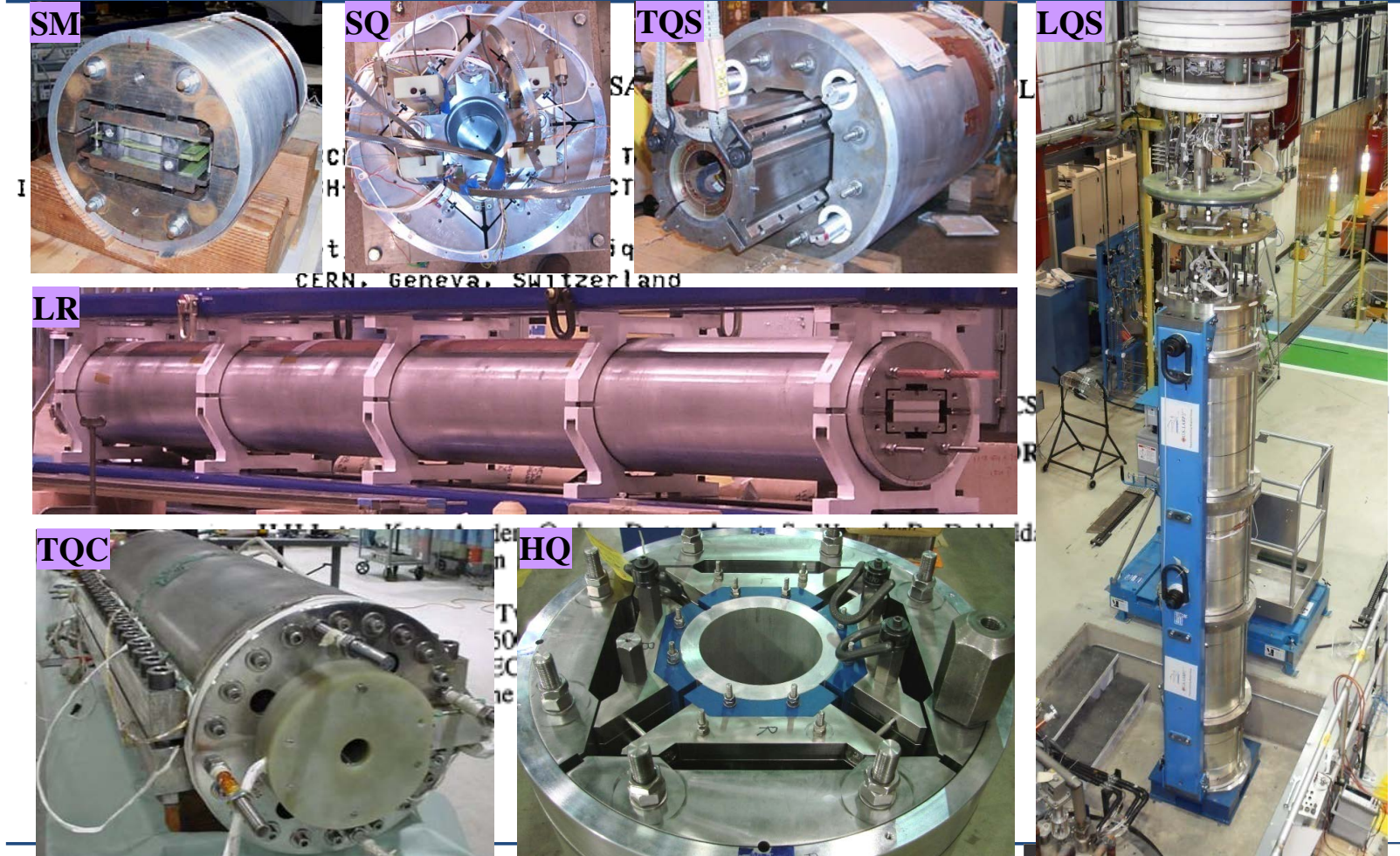
**Wind-and-React**

(Nb + Sn) in Cu matrix → Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn during **heat treatment** at 630-700 °C



**React-and-Wind**

# A long way ...



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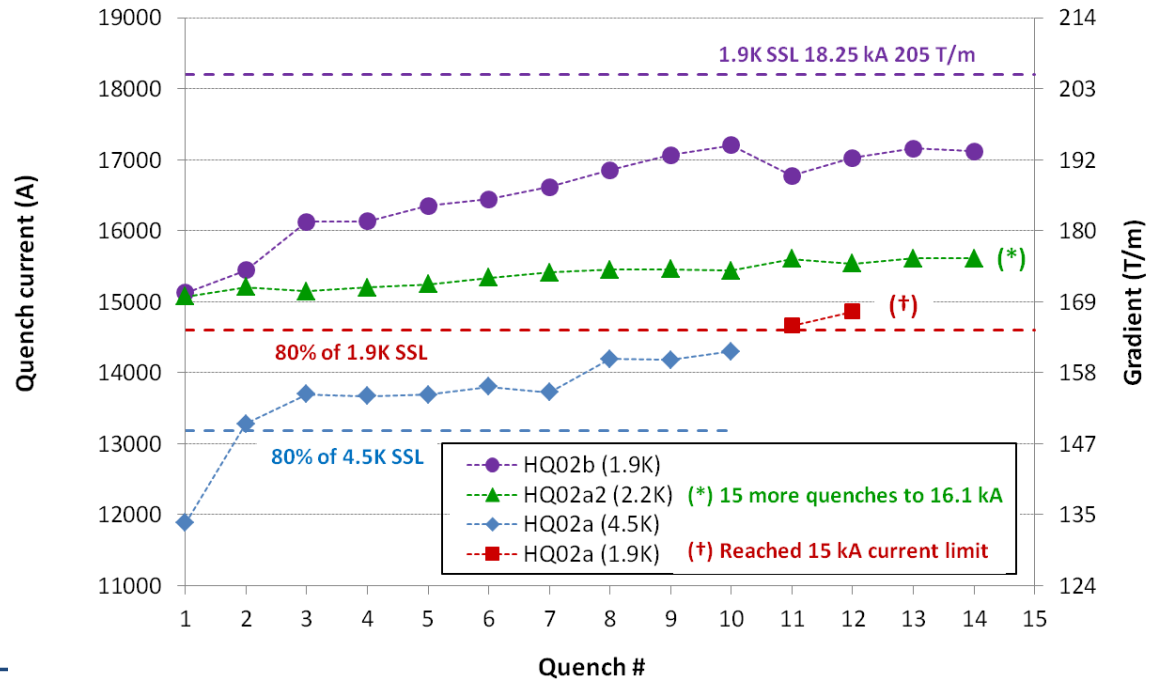
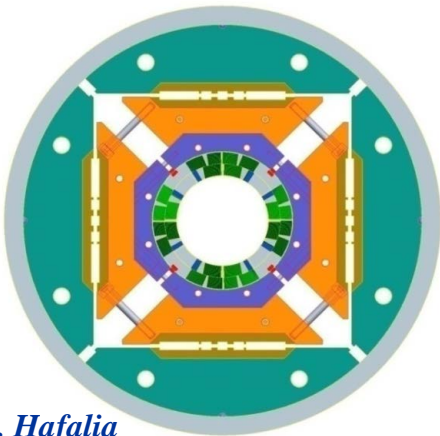
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# Latest success: LARP HQ02

4Lor2C-06 "Cold Test Results of the LARP HQ02-b magnet at 1.9 K"; *H. Bajas, et al.*,

- 90 mm aperture, 1 m long quadrupole
- Tested at FNAL & CERN
- Reached **98% SSL** at 4.5K & **95% SSL** at 1.9K

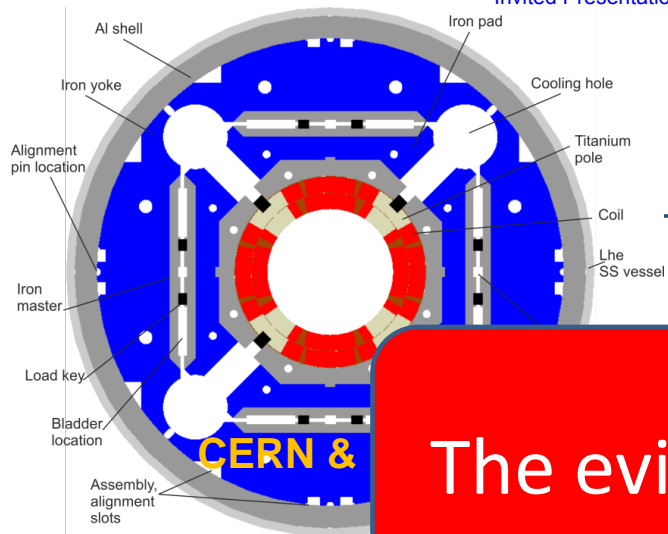


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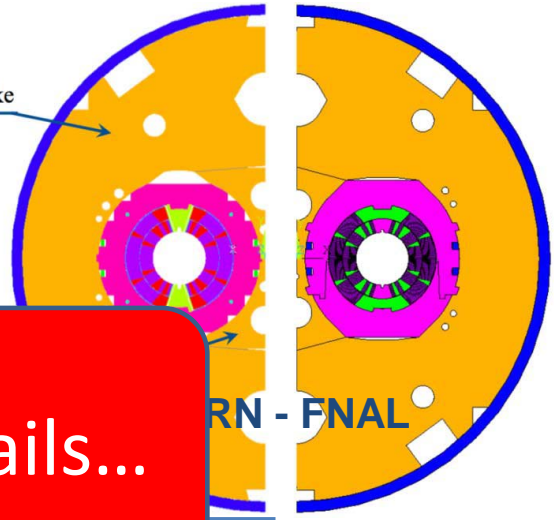
*H. Bajas, G. Chlachidze, M. Martchevsky,  
 F. Borgnolutti, D. Cheng, H. Felice, et al.*



# Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn: 2014

## Low Beta Quads for HL-LHC

vertically split yoke



The evil is in the details...

N. of poles		4	2
Coil aperture	mm	150	60
Magnetic length	m	2*4/6.8	5.3
N. of layers		2	2
N. of turns per layer		22/28	22/34
Operation temperature	K	1.9	1.9
Nominal gradient/field	T/m - T	140	11.2
Nominal current	kA	17.5	11.85
Peak field at nom. current	T	12.1	11.6
Margin on load line		20%	19%
Stored energy at nom. current	MJ/m	1.3	0.97
Differential induct. at nom. cur.	mH/m	8.2	12
Force on midplane per half coil	MN/m	3.9	1.6

11T table  
 Courtesy of  
 F. Savary

# Outline

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- **Challenges & Solutions**
  - Conductor
  - Magnetic Design
  - Operational Requirements
  - Coil Fabrication Technology
  - Structure Design & Assembly
  - Quench Protection
- **Status & Plans**



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# Conductor: Challenges

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- **High  $J_c$** : otherwise it is not worth the “pain”
- Sufficiently high **irreversible strain limit**: for handling & operation
  - Optimization of composition, HT temperature, time(?)<sup>†</sup>
- **High RRR and small subelements**: for stability
  - Several models
  - Good understanding of strand tests\*
  - Cable tests in progress
  - Magnets have shown a more complex behavior

<sup>†</sup>1MOr1A-01. [Invited] Irreversible Strain Limit of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Wires Made by the Restacked-Rod Process: Review of the Effects of Doping, Heat-Treatment, and Microstructure; *N. Cheggour*;

\*1LOR2B-06. Magneto-Thermal Stability of the Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn conductor for the HiLumi Upgrade; *B. Bordini*

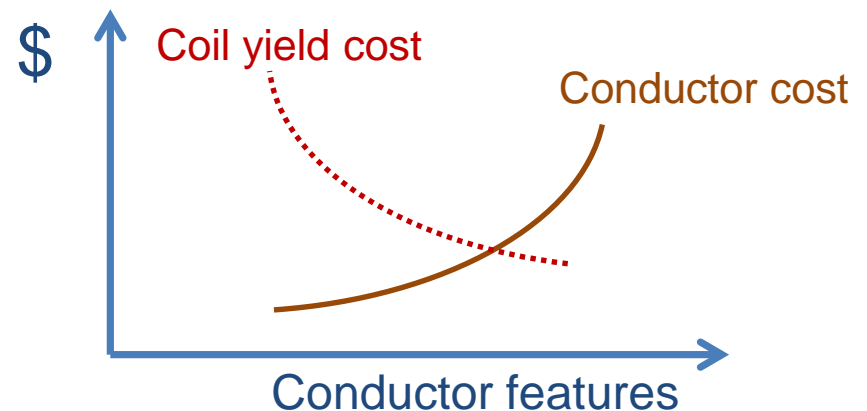


# Conductor Optimization

- A few examples:
  - Instability induced in a single coil under tests with higher and higher preload (TQM03<sup>†</sup>)
  - “Enhanced Instability” mechanism in a coil of long quadrupole (LQS02\*)

## → Optimization of coil yield vs conductor features

- High RRR
- Small filaments
- “Adequate”  $J_c$



<sup>†</sup>G. Chlachidze, et al., “The Study of Single Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Quadrupole Coils Using a Magnetic Mirror Structure”, *IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond.* Vol. 21, No. 3, pp. 1692-1695, 2011

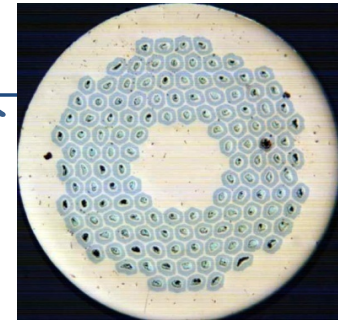
\*G. Ambrosio, et al., “Progress in the Long Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Quadrupole R&D by LARP”, *TAS* **22** 4003804

Heat treatment can be adjusted to meet all MQXF requirements

Parameter	UNIT	MQXF	11T
Strand diameter	mm	0.85	0.7
Fabrication process		RRP, PIT	RRP, PIT
Number of filaments		132, 192	132, 120
Nominal sub-element diameter	um	<50	<45
RRR after full heat treatment		>150	>100
Cu/non-Cu		1.2	1.15
Minimum $I_c$ (12 T, 4.222 K) <sup>†</sup>	A		438
Minimum $I_c$ (15 T, 4.222 K) <sup>†</sup>	A	361	
Number of strands		40	40
Cabling degradation	%	<5	<5
Cable bare width	mm	18.15	14.70
Cable bare mid-thickness	mm	1.525	1.25
Keystone angle	Deg.	0.55	0.79

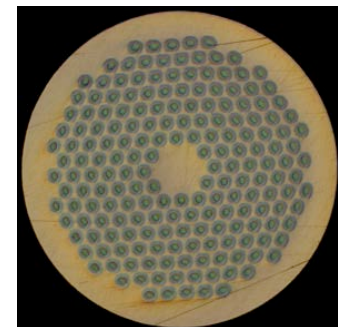
<sup>†</sup>Without self-field correction

RRP 132/169  
by OST



Courtesy of  
A. Ghosh

PIT 192  
by Bruker-EAS

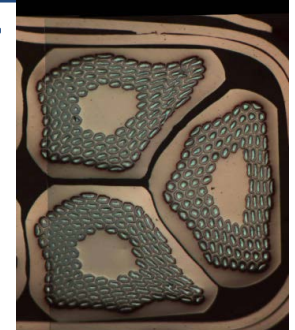


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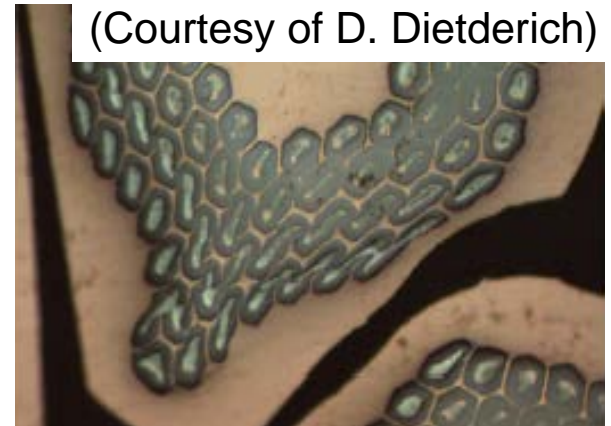
3LPo1E-03: 151. Optimization of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Cable for the Low-β Quadrupoles for the High Luminosity LHC\*; D. R. Dietderich; A. Godeke; I. Pong; A. K. Ghosh; A. Ballarino; L.-R. Oberli;

# Cable Optimization

- Cable with large number of strands needed for Quench Protection and Stress “Reduction”
  - 40 strands max for CERN cabling machine
- ➔ Trade-off between mechanical stability and strand damage:
- What is acceptable?
  - LARP: no damaged strands
  - FNAL HFM: < 1 per cable edge
  - QXF: ~2/strand in edge (108/127)
    - Pre-annealed strands
- Exploring testing local RRR for assessing damage
- Techniques for handling cables with limited stability



(Courtesy of D. Dietderich)



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# Magnetic Design: Dynamic effects

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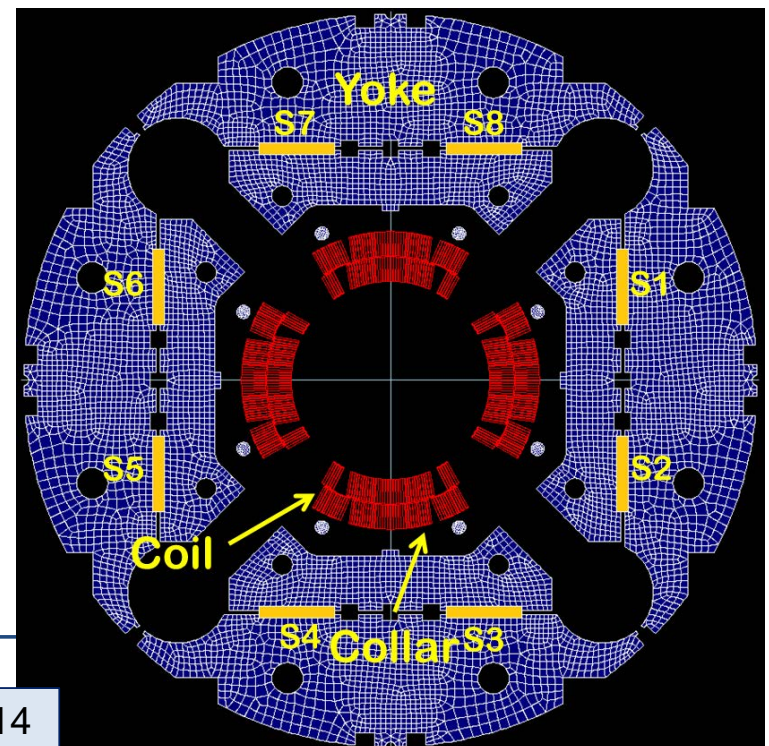
- In Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn cables the inter-strand contact resistance may vary by order of magnitude after the reaction
  - Impact on harmonics during ramp up
  - Possible quench during ramp down
  - ➔ 25 um thick stainless steel core
  - 11T: covering almost all internal surface
  - MQXF: covering ~72% of the internal surface
    - Bumps caused by core are under investigation

X. Wang, et al., “Multipoles Induced by Inter-Strand Coupling Currents in LARP Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Quadrupoles”, IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond., **24**, 4002607, June 2014.

# Magnetic Design: Reproducibility

- MQXF & 11T models will give us info about harmonics reproducibility in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets
  - MQXF: magnetic shims in bladder slots

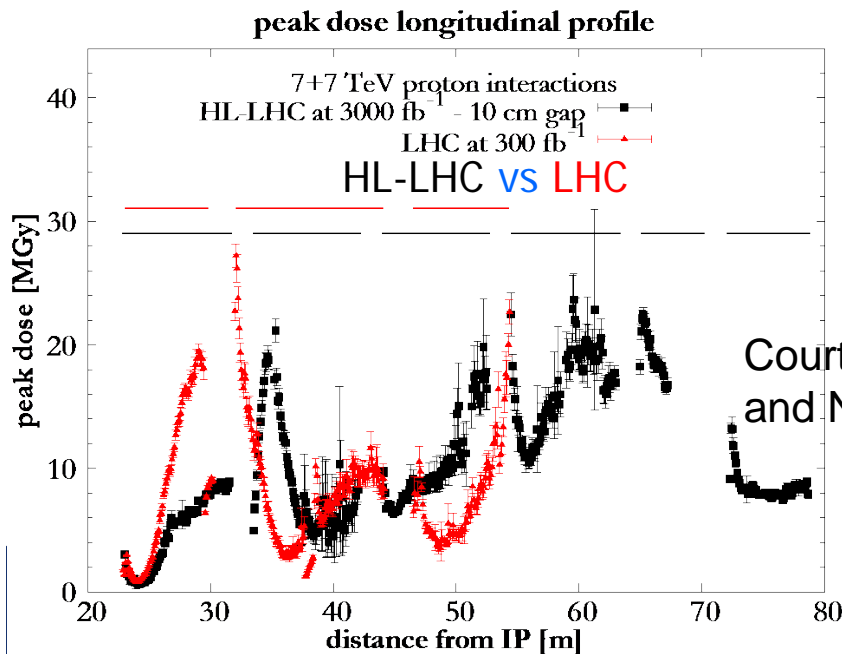
Shim combination	Multipoles	Value (units) @ 17.5 kA
S 1,2,3,8	+b3 (+b5)	+3.0 (+0.2)
S 4,5,6,7	-b3 (-b5)	-3.0 (-0.2)
S 1,2,4,7	+b3 +b5	+4.6 (+0.6)
S 3,5,6,8	-b3 -b5	-4.6 (-0.6)
S 1,2,5,6	+b4	+2.8
S 3,4,7,8	-b4	-2.8
S 1,3,4,6	+a3 -a5	+4.6 (-0.6)
S 2,5,7,8	-a3 +a5	-4.6 (+0.6)
S 1,4,5,8	-a4	-0.8
S 2,3,6,7	+a4	+0.8
S 1,6,7,8	-a3 (+a5)	-3.0 (+0.2)
S 2,3,4,5	+a3 (-a5)	+3.0 (-0.2)



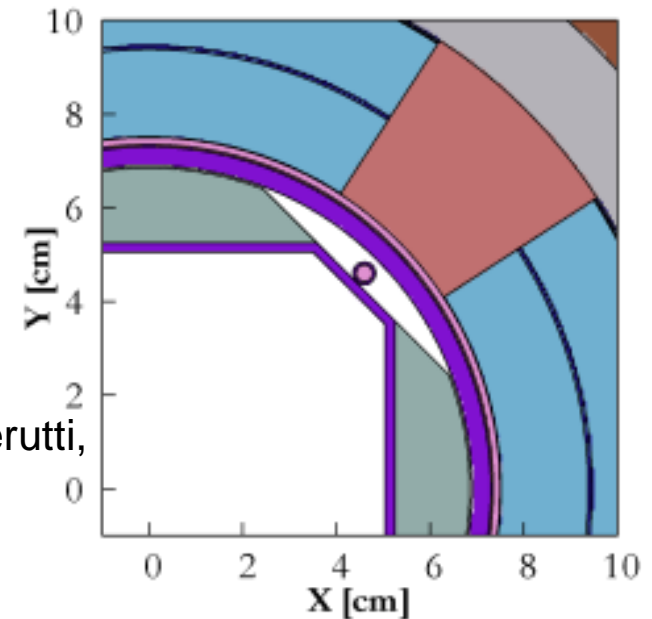
# Op. Requirements: Radiation Hardness

- MQXF: higher luminosity → higher dose
- Solution: Tungsten liners
  - 16 mm in Q1; 6 mm in Q2 and Q3

CTD101k: OK at expected Max dose



Courtesy of F. Cerutti,  
and N. Mokhov



ets in the High Luminosity LHC Insertion  
3305, June 2014

# Coil Fabrication: Handling

## MQXF & 11T:

- Double pancake winding
  - ➔ No interlayer splice
- Ceramic binder & Curing
  - ➔ Easier & safer coil handling before potting



Courtesy of M. Yu



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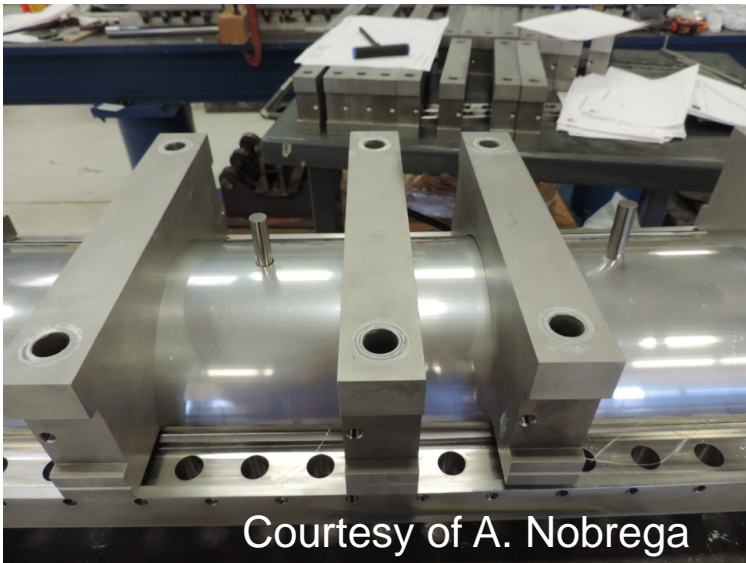
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# Coil Fabrication: Handling

## MQXF & 11T:

- Fixtures assembled around coils
  - ➔ Less risk of coil damage
- Potting with epoxy resin
  - ➔ Coil is a solid object and stresses are distributed





# Ceramic Binder - I

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- The ceramic binder keeps the coil glued also after reaction
  - Easier & safer transition from reaction to potting fixture
- But it makes the fiberglass more fragile after reaction
  - Is this a concern?
- Fiberglass insulation is acting only as spacer in this phase
- Potting makes the final composite
  - Binder after reaction is porous to epoxy



## Ceramic Binder - II

- The structural properties affecting magnet performance are the properties of the composite after potting
- Several tests of short (1m) and long (3.5m) Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn coils & magnets fabricated using this technology gave excellent results
  - Ex: HQ02: **98% SSL** at 4.5K & **95% SSL** at 1.9K
  - ➔ This technology is good enough for MQXF and 11T applications

4Lor2C-06 “Cold Test Results of the LARP HQ02-b magnet at 1.9 K”; *H. Bajas, et al.*,



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# Cable Insulation

Several different solutions:

- MQXF: S2-glass braided on the cable (145  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- 11T - CERN: C-shaped mica foil (80  $\mu\text{m}$ ) + S2-glass braided on the cable (75  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- 11T - FNAL: E-glass tape (75  $\mu\text{m}$ ) wrapped on the cable with 50% overlap

P. Ferracin, et al., "Magnet Design of the 150 mm Aperture Low- $\beta$  Quadrupoles for the High Luminosity LHC", *IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond.*, **24** 4002306.

M. Karppinen, et al., "Design of 11 T Twin-Aperture Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Dipole Demonstrator Magnet for LHC Upgrades", *IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond.*, **22** 4901504.



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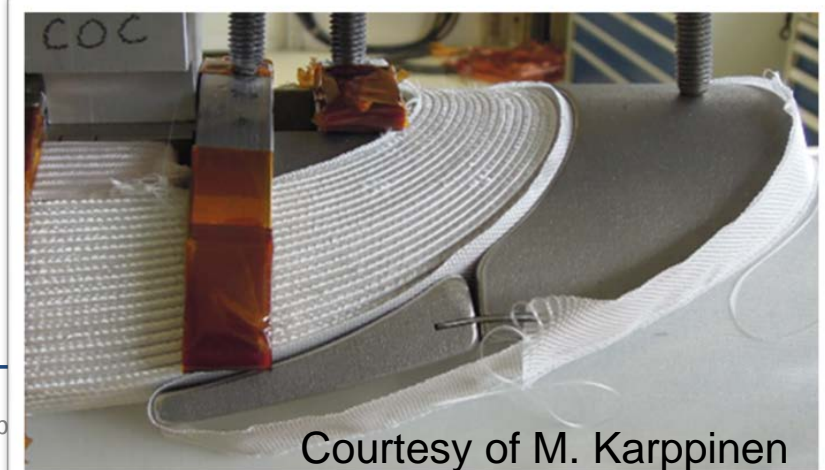
# Winding Marginally-Stable Cables

- LARP-HQ (120mm quad): tight-fit tool
- FNAL-11T: binder painted on each turn before end



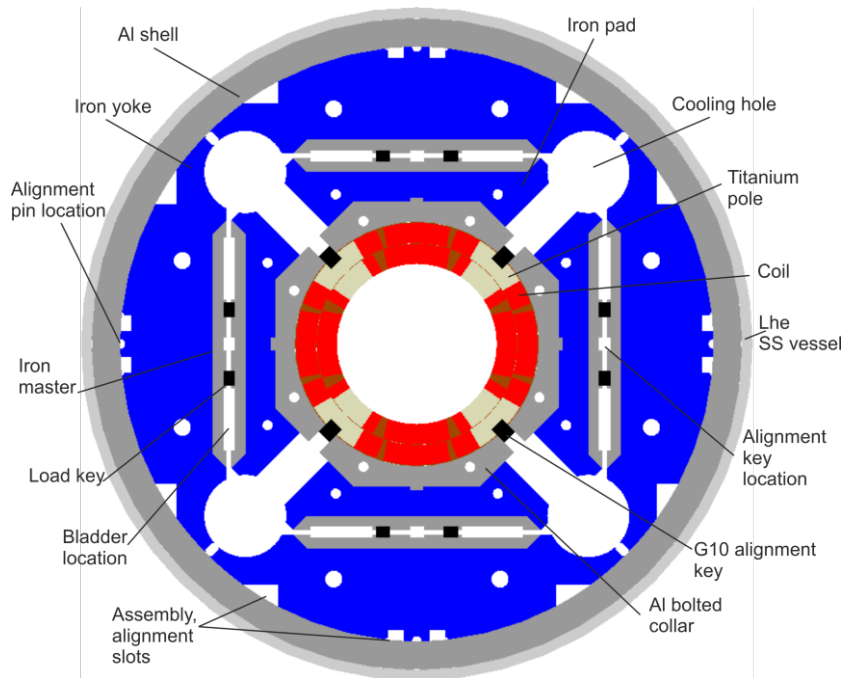
## End Parts

- MQXT & 11T: end parts made of Stainless Steel
- Cables have tendency to separate from mandrel and pole parts during winding; this effect is worse with larger windings
- ➔ MQXF: accordion-style slits in end parts
- ➔ 11T: flexible legs

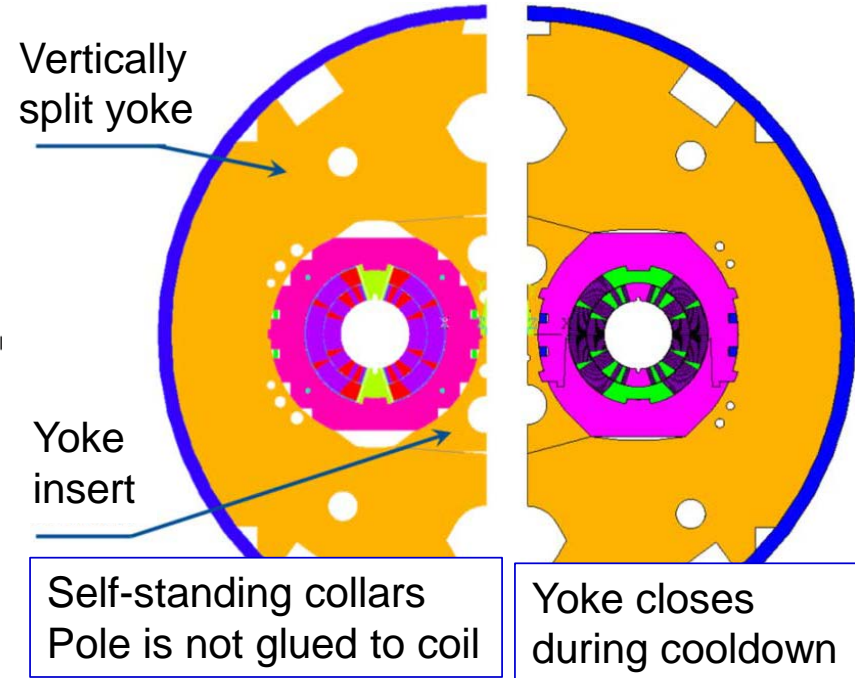


# Structural Design

## MQXF



## 11T



- Bladders & keys: handles well high forces
- Collars: easy scale-up, fit well for 2-in-1 design

2LPo2J-06: 195. Support Structure Design of the Low- $\beta$  Quadrupoles Short Model for the High Luminosity LHC; *M. Juchno, et al.*,

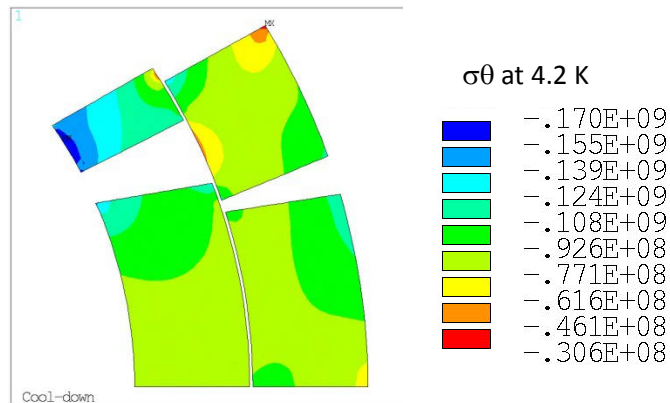
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# Structural Design

## 2D max azimuthal stress:

- 11T-CERN, after cold mass assembly: 143 MPa
- 11T-FNAL, during collaring: 148 MPa
- MQXF, after cool-down: 170 MPa

MQXF at nominal current



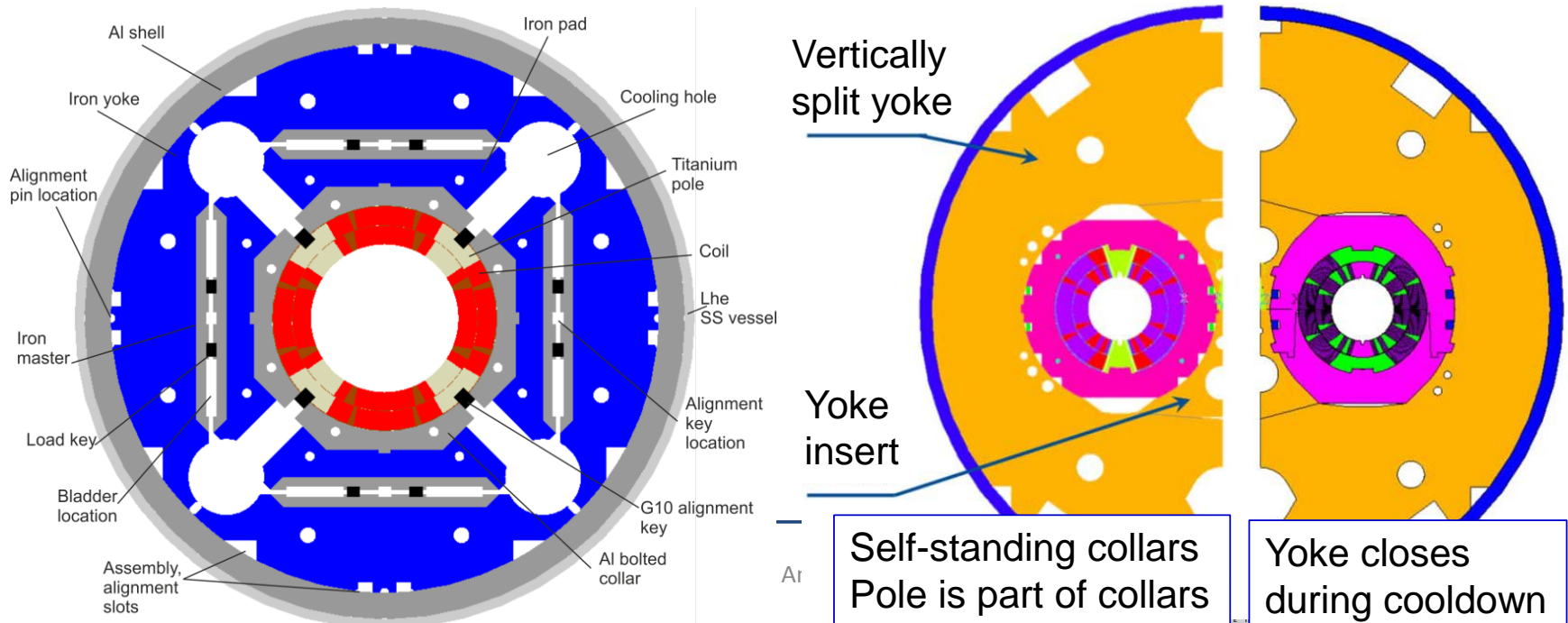
HQ02 at 16.2 kA



Courtesy H. Felice

# Challenges

- MQXF: demonstrate long magnets
  - Tight tolerance and control of preload
- 11T-FNAL: gap control
- 11T-CERN: control of the key-pole interface





# Quench Protection

- MQXF: high energy density = 2 times LHC magnets
  - 1<sup>st</sup> simulation (MT23):
    - Outer layer heaters
    - Energy extraction (2 MQXFs in series)
    - Conservative assumptions
- $T_{\text{hot-spot}} \sim 350 \text{ K}$  (without redundancy)

G. Manfreda, et al., “Quench Protection Study of the Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Low-beta Quadrupole for the LHC Luminosity Upgrade”, *IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond.*, **23** 4700405.



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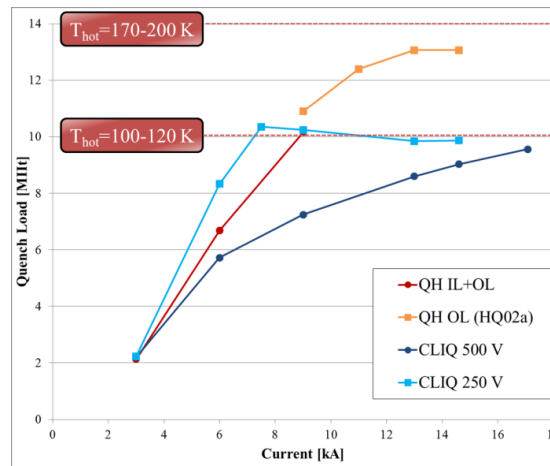
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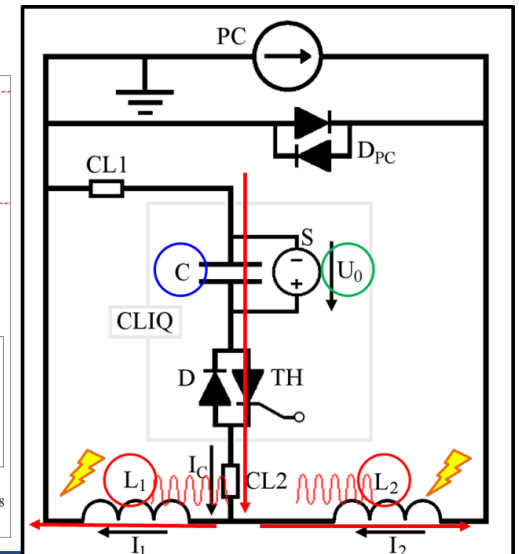


# CLIQ

- Coupling-Loss Induced Quench System
- Very effective on HQ02 test
- To be demonstrated for long magnets
- Could provide perfect redundancy with heaters on outer layer



Courtesy of E. Ravaioli



1LOR2B-01. First Test of CLIQ, the New Coupling Loss Induced Quench Protection System, on a Nb3Sn Magnet; *E. Ravaioli, et al.,*

## Status & Plans

For 11T see  
next talk

### MQXF:

- Making practice coils (LARP & CERN)
- Started real coils
  - One coil for “mirror test” (LARP) → Test 01/15
  - 1<sup>st</sup> coil for SQXF1 (LARP)
  - SQXF1 shell procured (CERN) → Test 06/15
- Long coils fabrication starts in 2015
  - single coil in “mirror” → Test Spring 2016
  - 1<sup>st</sup> long prototype → Test Fall 2016



# Conclusions

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- The development of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn accelerator magnets has reached maturity
  - Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn are part of the HL-LHC
- Now it is the time to address remaining challenges and fix all details
- The MQXF and 11T projects are on track for successful demonstration
- Magnet options for future HEP accelerators are increasing!





THANK YOU ALL!



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# Back up slides

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# Magnetic Design: Magnetization

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- Large filaments → large magnetization at injection
- 11T strategy\*:
  - RRP option was changed from 108/127 to 132/169
  - Minimum current may change from 350 A to 100 A
  - May use passive shims

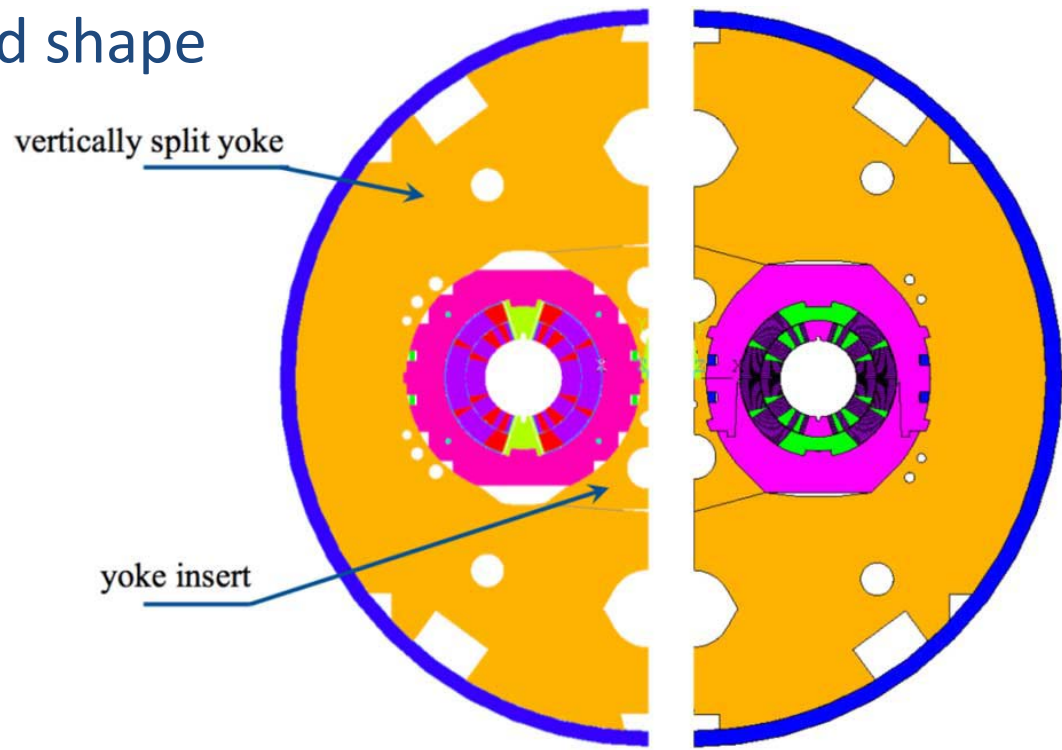
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4LPo2E-09: 141. Field errors induced by persistent current in high-field superconducting accelerator magnets; *Xiaorong Wang, et al.*



# Magnetic Design: Iron Saturation

- In the 11T cross talk between apertures increases at high field
  - Holes in yoke and shape optimization



M. Karppinen, et al., "Design of 11 T Twin-Aperture Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Dipole Demonstrator Magnet for LHC Upgrades", *IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercond.*, **22** 4901504.

## Op. Requirement: Heat extraction

- MQXF: Tungsten liners keep heat deposition in HL-LHC at present LHC levels
- Heat extraction from epoxy potted coils is OK if:
  - Polyimide coverage of coil inner surface < 50%
  - Holes through pole for heat flow to heat exchangers
    - One hole every 50 mm

