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HTS and High Field Magnet R&D Program at BNL

At present "common coil design" with "React & Wind" technology and "rapid turn around approach" remains the work horse of our technology development program.

However, responding to more likely needs of next 10 years:

- We are in the process of moving more towards IR quadrupole R&D.
- Though we prefer "React & Wind" approach and see it as a more likely candidate for long magnets, we examine the elements of "Wind & React" approach, as well.



Main Coils of the Common Coil Design

# Common Coil Design

- Simple 2-d geometry with large bend radius (determined by spacing between two apertures, rather than aperture itself)
- Conductor friendly (no complex 3-d ends, suitable for brittle materials such as HTS and Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn)
- **Compact** (quadrupole type crosssection, field falls more rapidly)
- **Block design** (for handling large Lorentz forces at high fields)
- Combined function magnets possible
- Efficient and methodical R&D due to simple & modular design
- Minimum requirements on big expensive tooling and labor
- Lower cost magnets expected

### Overall Design of BNL 12 T Common Coil Background Field Dipole



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# 12 T Background Field Magnet: The Next Step in HTS R&D Program



- At present, HTS alone can not generate the fields we are interested in.
- Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn coils provides high background fields. The HTS coils will be subjected to high field and high stresses that would be present in an all HTS magnet. Therefore, several technical issues will be addressed.
- Since 12 T Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet uses similar technology (building high field magnet with brittle material), it also provides a valuable learning experience in building an all HTS high field magnet.

# • Important design consideration: Allow a simple mechanism for testing HTS insert coils.

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## **Insert Coil and Sample Test Scenarios**

An interesting feature of the design, which will make it a truly facility magnet, is the ability to test short sample and HTS insert coils without disassembling it.



#### HTS insert coil test configuration

#### Short sample test configuration

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# Coil Winding with Kevlar Strings

Kevlar strings make well compressed coils with brittle materials in shapes that were thought to be difficult before



#### Kevlar clamp setup, coil locked into fixturing

**Coils with reverse curvature** 

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### Bobbinless Coil With No Additional Structure

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Bobbin (Island) is not suitable for long and accelerator magnet. Here the technology is demonstrated that the bobbin can be removed from the coil. Also please note that there is no additional structure on the two sides of the coil.



Minimizing valuable "Real Estate", minimizes conductor requirements.



## 10 Turn Coil Rapid Turn Around Program

#### Experimentally test an item, beginning to end, in ~1-2 month



Rapid turn-around encourages test of new ideas and allows iterations in them.

It scientifically evaluates the validity of old biases and the limit of present technologies.

Such a program is must for HTS magnet R&D program given the state of technology and the cost of conductor.



# **HTS Test Coils**

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BNL has made a number of short test coils -- 16 with brittle pre-reacted material and of them five are made with HTS cable (in addition many more are made with HTS tapes). The purpose of this program is to to systematically develop this new and challenging technology in a rapid turn around and cost effective manner.

Coil #	Magnet #	Impreg #	Conductor	Conductor pedigree	Insulation type	Bobbin	Process additions
CC001	None	001	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	ITER chrome	3 mil glass wrap	Iron	First impreg, single ended
CC002	DCC001&2	002	$Nb_3Sn$	ITER chrome	2 mil glass wrap	Iron	Double hole impreg
CC003	DCC002	003	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	ITER chrome	2 mil glass wrap	Iron	Double hole impreg
CC004	DCC003 & 8	005	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	ITER chrome	2 mil glass wrap	Stainless steel	V taps added
CC005	DCC003 & 8	006	Nb₃Sn	ITER chrome	2 mil glass wrap	Stainless steel	V taps added
CC006	DCC004	004	HTS	Low performance	Tube braided glass	Aluminium	
CC007	DCC004	007	HTS	Low performance	Tube braided glass	Stainless steel	
CC008	DCC005	010	Nb₃Sn	LBL RD3 cable	2 mil glass wrap	Stainless steel	
CC009	DCC005	011	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	LBL RD3 cable	2 mil glass wrap	Stainless steel	
CC010	DCC006	008	HTS/Ag	2 BSCCO, 16 Ag	2 mil glass wrap	Brass	Teflon tape on mold faces
CC011	DCC006	009	HTS/Ag	2 BSCCO, 16 Ag	2 mil glass wrap	Stainless steel	
CC012	DCC008	012	HTS	High Performance	2 mil glass wrap	Aluminium	New mold plates
CC013	None	013	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	ITER NEEWC	NEEW braided	Stainless steel	Removable bobbin test
CC014	None	014	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	ITER NEEWC	2 mil glass wrap	Stainless steel	First vacuum bag impreg
CC015	None	015	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	ITER NEEWC	2 mil glass wrap	Stainless steel	First kevlar string clamping
CC016	DCC009	016	Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	LBL RD3 cable	2 mil glass wrap	Brass	Kevlar string clamping

\*Not listed here are (a) DCC007, an HTS tape and (b) an earlier NbTi cable common magnet.

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### Magnet DCC002: 1<sup>st</sup> HTS Dipole/Quad

Given the aggressive R&D and learning nature of the program, we instrument the magnet, as much as we can.

#### We put at least one voltage tap on each turn



Coils are assembled for a flexible and extensive testing. Four leads are taken out of the cryostat.



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## Magnet DCC002: 1<sup>st</sup> HTS Dipole/Quad

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#### Voltage difference between each consecutive turn and on each coil at 4.2 K



- This test magnet was made with cable from early wire
- The state-of-the-art wire is now about a factor of five better

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### Measured I<sub>c</sub> of Various Turns of Common Coil Magnet DCC006

Coil #2 of Mixed Strand Cable Turn #1 **Mixed strand cable** Voltage Across Turns ( <sub>μ</sub> V/cm) 3.5 - Turn #3  $\rightarrow$  Turn #4 (2 BSCCO 2212, 16 Ag) 3.0 **— \***— Turn #5 2.5 — Turn #7 ----- Turn #8 2.0 — Turn #9 → Turn #10 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 **Turn No. 1-7** 0 50 100 150 200 250 I(A) Turns No. 1-7 show an  $I_c$  close to the best measured in cable prior to winding.

This suggest a low level of degradation!

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#### Systematic Test during the steps of making High Performance HTS coil for DCC008

The coil CC012 is made with the best HTS delivered to date (best claimed is about a factor of 2 better). We want to study degradation, if any, in each and every step of the process. The following  $LN_2$  measurements track the process.



Rutherford cable made with 18 strands of BSCCO2212. Strand diameter = 0.8 mm.

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# Measured Critical Current as a Function of Temperature in DCC006

A few degree change in temperature has a small effect on critical current



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# **IR Magnet Design Considerations**

#### Differences between the IR magnets and main magnets:

- Only a few IR magnets as compared to a large number of main magnets.
- A few magnets may make a large difference in luminosity performance.
- The cost of material is a fraction of the overall cost of R&D and production.

These contrasts suggest that we should be open to adopting different design strategies for IR magnets as compared to what we do in main magnets.

- They can use much more expensive materials.
- They can be more complicated in construction, as we need only a few.

### $\Rightarrow$ This makes a good case for HTS in IR magnets.



#### An Initial Concept for HTS based Q0 Quads LHC IR Upgrade

The following design is made to allow large bend radii



	<u>Q0A</u>	<u>Q0B</u>	
Aperture	50	70	mm
Goperating	540	320	T/m
B <sub>peak</sub>	16	13	Т
PLuminosity	> 1000		W

Requires a factor of 2-3 improvement in  $J_c$  over the present value.

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### HTS Quad for LHC IR (Racetrack Coil Geometry)

Gradient: 400 T/m; Jo = 1 KA/mm<sup>2</sup>, Jc ~ 4-5 kA/mm<sup>2</sup>



#### **Note:** Peak field is not a major concern in HTS quadrupole designs.

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#### Magnet/ Conductor Technology Options for HTS Quads

• One option is to use "Wind and React" Approach. We are evaluating that.

We prefer "React & Wind" approach over "Wind & React" for reacting long (~5 m) magnets at ~885 C while maintaining ~0.5 C temperature control. Also "React & Wind" approach allows more options for insulation and structure materials.

• One option under consideration under "React & Wind" approach is to evaluate possibilities of very small diameter flexible cable/wire, especially since the magnet need not ramp fast.

≻This requires a significant conductor R&D.

### OPERA MODEL

# Primary goal of our program is to develop HTS technology. We would use whatever is best.

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### HTS Quad for LHC IR (70 mm Aperture, 400 T/m Gradient)

2 Layers, 20 mm X 2 mm Cable, 8 turns inner and 14 outer Jo = 1 KA/mm<sup>2</sup>, Jc ~ 4-5 kA/mm<sup>2</sup>



#### Note: Peak field is not a major concern in HTS quadrupole designs.

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### A React & Wind HTS Quadrupole Design

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Pre-fabricated and pre-reacted ends spliced to straight section turns



The end turns are bent in small diameter before reaction.

Requires significant R&D on splice joint technology: improve reliability and minimize contact resistance.

#### Note:

HTS allow much larger temperature rise for a small degradation in critical current. This labor intensive construction should be acceptable for a few critical magnets. Each segment could be pre-tested in  $LN_2$ .

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# Near Term HTS R&D Program

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  - Continue to build a series of 10 turn coils with better HTS cable.
  - Build ~30 turn HTS coil from the material ordered.
  - In parallel, build ~12 T magnet with Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn to provide background field.
  - Assemble hybrid magnet to study issues related to the performance of HTS coils in high field, high stress environment.
  - Examine various design options for IR quads. Test small coils following the "low cost, rapid turn around" R&D to test initial feasibility of basic idea.

Present the results of this R&D to accelerator community so it can make a more informed decision about the viability of HTS.



### Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Magnet Program with Flexible Pre-reacted Cable

A dipole coil using small-diameter, pre-reacted Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn cable has been built and tested successfully. This proof-of-principal result opens the door to a promising, new approach to building high field magnets.



The construction technique subdivides the coil into many sectors, each independently supported, and can therefore control the Lorentz forces in high field magnets. This technique has been used to build many successful helical magnets for RHIC. The quench results showed that the coil operated near the short-sample limit of the conductor, 820 A. The field at the winding is ~2.5T. The high current and low field, a difficult combination for stability in a superconductor, would be more favorable in a full scale magnet.



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### 6-around-1 Flexible Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Cable

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The cable used for the coil was made of 0.33 mm diameter wires wound into a 6-around-1 cable of 0.99 mm diameter.





Nb3Sn 6x1 cable NSC-013-RD5

N-value @ 8T ~ 30

When bent around a 32mm diameter mandrel Jc does not change but the n-value drops to ~ 25

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### Slotted Magnets Used Extensively in RHIC Spin Program













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### Required R&D in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Magnet Program

R&D is required in a number of areas to adapt the existing designs for helical magnets to the requirements of  $Nb_3Sn$  and high field magnets:



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- Rapid turn around program has been very successful and inspiring in developing technology in a systematic and inspiring fashion at a cost which we can afford.
- No major degradation has been discovered in HTS coils at low field, low stress environment. Background field magnet will determine their performance in high field environment.
- Flexible Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn cable offers an attractive option for Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets. Initial results are encouraging.