



Particle Beam Lasers

A New Medium Field Superconducting Magnet for the EIC

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Outline

- Optimum Integral Design: Why? What? Relevance to EIC?
- Goals of PBL/BNL STTR on the Optimum Integral Dipole B0ApF:
 - > Meet key technical specs: integral field, field quality, cross-talk
 - > Field integral = 1.98 T.m, B_o = 3.9 T, coil i.d. = 114 mm (higher "field & aperture" than RHIC arc dipole: 3.45 T, i.d. 80 mm)
- Design, construction and test results
- Application to other magnets (in EIC, and beyond)
- Summary



Optimum Integral Design – What is new and why is it important?

RHIC Coil End (conventional)

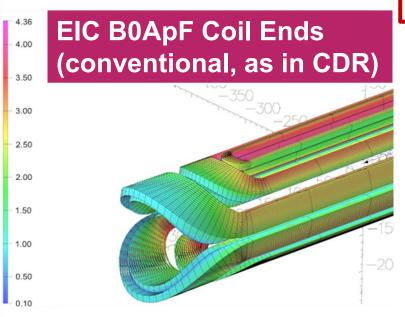


Figure 5: B0APF coil with field contour



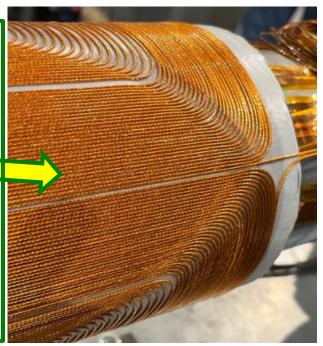
Conventional End Designs:

- Conventional ends take large space (~2X coil ID in dipole)
- Field per unit length in ends is ~1/2 of that in the body => relative loss in field integral is significant in short magnets



Optimum Integral Design:

- End turns at midplane run full length of the coil => almost no loss in space due to Ends
- Gain in magnetic length =>
 about a coil diameter in dipole.
 A significant fraction in short
 magnets (as some in EIC)



Conventional Design Approach

A two-step process of designing magnets:

Step 1: Optimize coil cross-section to obtain cosine theta like distribution (spread out turns): **Cross-section**

$$I(\theta) = I_o \cdot \cos(n\theta)$$

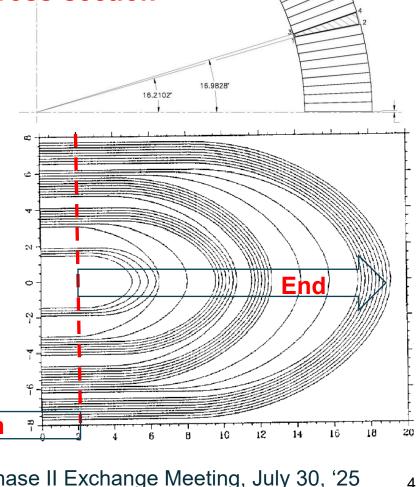
> This limits the number of turns in straight section

Step 2: Optimized ends to reduce integral harmonics, and to reduce peak field on the conductor

This spreads out turns in the ends, making the ends longer, and reducing the field per unit length

Each step shapes the field and reduces the integral field





Optimum Integral Design Approach

Extend midplane turns to full coil length & optimize cross-section and ends together in a single step to obtain an overall cosine theta distribution in the integral sense:

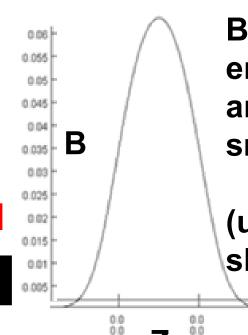
$$I(\theta) \cdot L(\theta) = I_o \cdot L_i(\theta) \propto I_o \cdot L_o \cdot \cos(n\theta)$$

Length of coil ends, which determine the loss in magnetic length, made nearly zero

✓ Loss due to ends essentially eliminated

Higher fill factor - both in the body and in the ends





Benefits are enormous in any magnet with small flat-top

(useful in all short magnet)

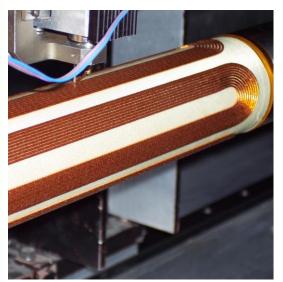
AGS dipole

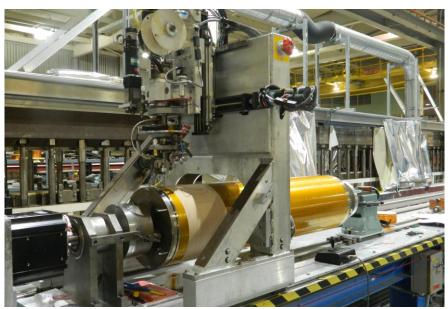




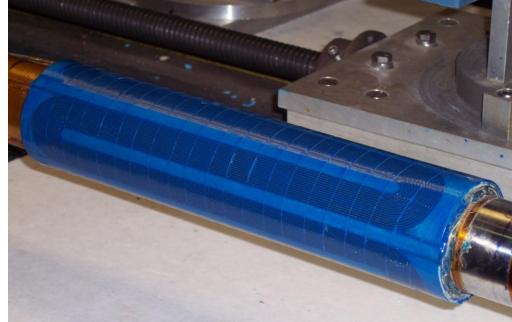
A Key Component of this STTR– the Direct Wind Technology

- Wire is laid directly on the tube and bonded using ultrasound onto a substrate (plus other steps)
- This is an inexpensive technology for one-off magnets. It doesn't require tooling, and detailed design. It has been reliable for low field magnets
- Question: Can this technology be taken to higher fields as needed in EIC? To be tested in this STTR











R&D Magnet Design for EIC IR Dipole B1apF







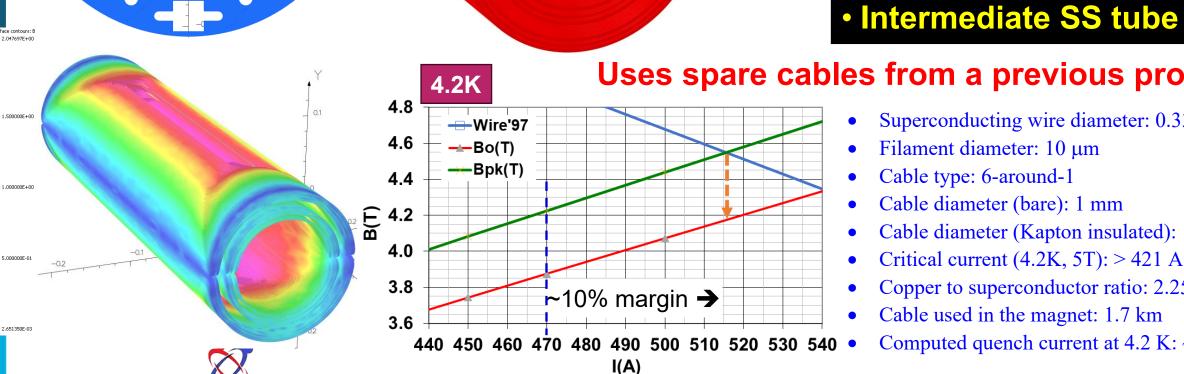
- Superconducting wire diameter: 0.33 mm
 - Filament diameter: 10 µm

• 12 Layers (6 + 6)

- Cable type: 6-around-1
- Cable diameter (bare): 1 mm
- Cable diameter (Kapton insulated): 1.1 mm
- Critical current (4.2K, 5T): > 421 A

• Inductance: ~700 mH

- Copper to superconductor ratio: 2.25
- Cable used in the magnet: 1.7 km
- Computed quench current at 4.2 K: ~500 A

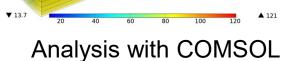


Mechanical Design of the 12-layer Design

Primary components of mechanical structure:

- Tension roving after every two layers
- Two stainless steel tubes
 - > 2 instead of 1 to reduce stress/strain buildup







Three Phases of the PBL/BNL STTR Program

Phase I: Two layers

Phase II (year 1): Six layers

Phase II (final): Twelve layers (six layers each on two tubes)

> An ambitious undertaking with a field and aperture higher than that in the RHIC arc dipoles!



Optimum Integral Dipole in Phase I (two layers in a yoke)

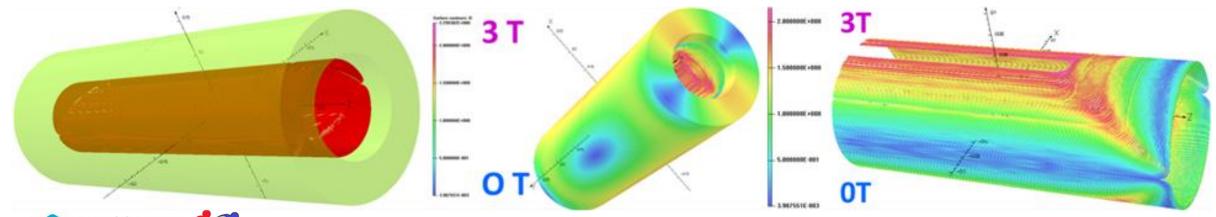




Tension rowing over two layers to contain forces (inner SS tube also has a role in the mechanical structure)

Coil in the yoke (ready for the testing)

Coil i.d. = 114 mm,
$$B_o = \sim 1.7 \text{ T}$$
, $B_{pk} = \sim 2.2 \text{ T}$

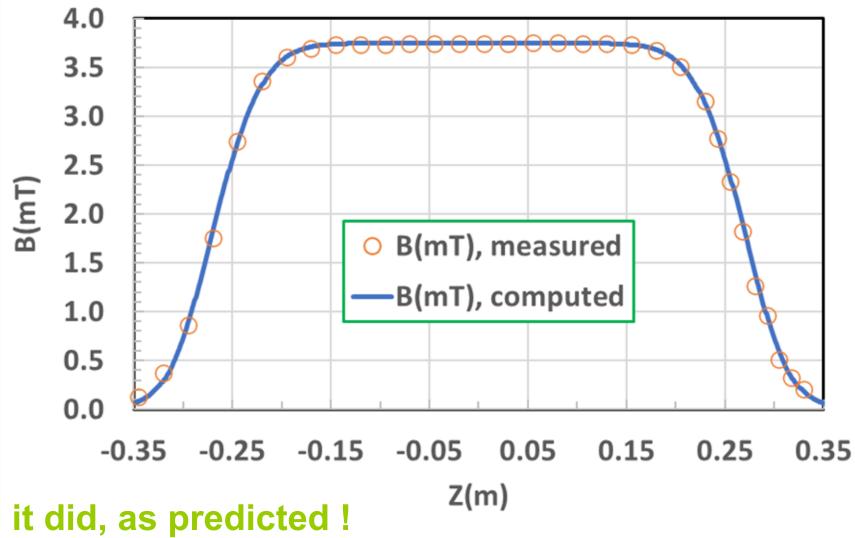


Question #1: Will optimum integral design extend the magnetic length?

Major motivation of the optimum integral design demonstrated

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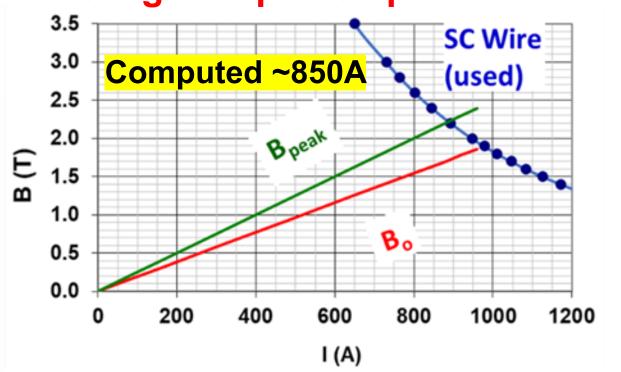
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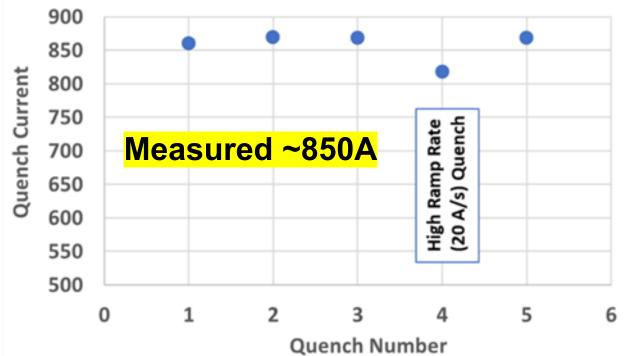


✓ Answer: Yes, it did, as predicted!

Good agreement between calculations & measurements.

Question #2: Will the direct wind coil based on the optimum integral have a good quench performance?





✓ Answer: Quench performance remains excellent to this field/bore (reached computed short sample without any training)

$$B_o = \sim 1.7 \text{ T}, B_{pk} = \sim 2.2 \text{ T}, \text{ Coil i.d.} = 114 \text{ mm}$$

These two are significant demonstration for a Phase I (in <1 year)



Goals of the Phase II Magnet

- a) Demonstrate field quality with warm magnetic measurements
 - Validation of the optimum integral design and the special software developed
- b) Intermediate test with six layers and final test with twelve layers
 - \rightarrow 6-layer: B_o=~2.9 T, B_{pk}=~3.5 T, B_{int} =~1.5 T.m
 - \gt 12-layer: B_o= ~3.9 T, B_{pk}=~4.3 T, B_{int} =1.98 T.m (+margin)
- c) Demonstration of the superconducting shielding in a geometric and magnetic configuration as faced by the electron beam in EIC



Coil Winding, Magnet Construction (Phase II, Year 1)





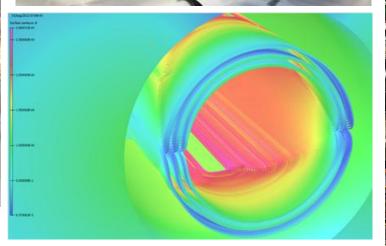
















Six layers (3 coil sets)

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Field Quality Demonstration of the Design, and of the Code

Warm harmonic measurements after the 6 layers of B0ApF OID



Success: A good field quality in the 1st attempt itself, despite changes.



Optimum Integral Dipole B0ApF 6-layers						
ITF (NO Fe	1.860	mT.meter/A				
Measured Integral Harmonics@25mm						
No.	bn	an				
2	0.62	2.83				
3	3.98	2.81				
4	0.23	-0.52				
5	0.39	0.21				
6	0.07	-0.21				
7	0.51	0.16				
8	0.00	0.05				
9	-0.12	-0.03				
10	0.00	-0.01				
11	0.02	0.01				
12	0.00	0.00				
13	-0.01	0.00				

(code uses a new method)

(in 10⁻⁴ units)

Lower order terms from the external leads (not real).

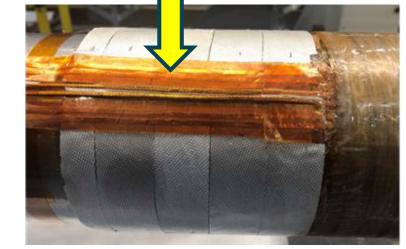
All other harmonics are <2 units (meets the spec).

Small measured harmonics are corrected in the outer coil.

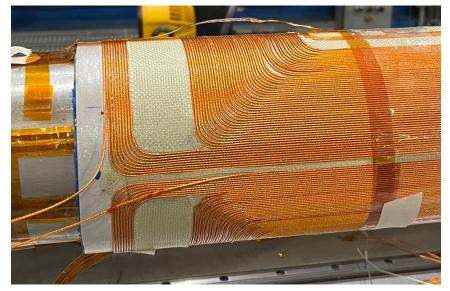
A Change in Design to Eliminate Loss in Radial Space Used by Leads

- Phase I "Optimum Integral Design" used extra radial space for bringing leads out "over the coil" at the pole.
- Used in the first two layers.

- An innovation was implemented to remove extra radial space. Leads out at midplane.
- This solution required a splice at the pole in high field region, and additional routing of leads in an area outside the end of coil.
- This was used in the next four layers.



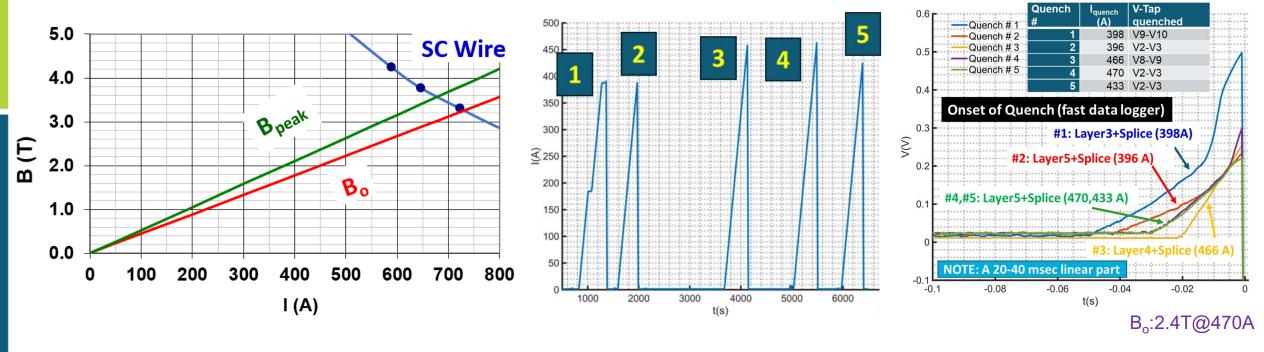
Phase I configuration



Phase II configuration



Quench Test of the 6-layer Optimum Integral Dipole



- First quench at ~60% and highest at ~70% of the short sample (670A).
- All quenches were in the coil sets where the lead routing was modified to eliminate the use the extra radial space.

Issue that limited the performance seems to have been resolved now





Investigation and Resolution of What Limited the Performance of Phase II, Year 1

- > Weakness found in routing of the leads outside the magnet.
- > Improved support to make the lead routing more robust.





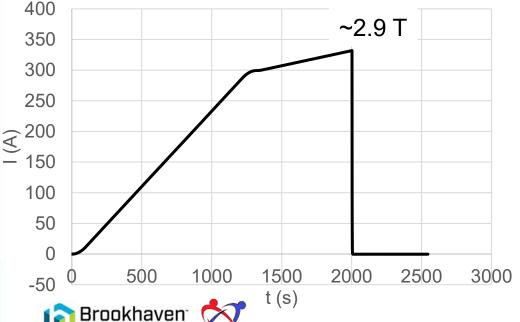
Test Results of the 12-layer Direct Wind Optimum Integral Dipole B0ApF

Magnet energized to ~2.9 T or 1.49 T.m (~75% of the required field integral)
with NO spontaneous quenches.

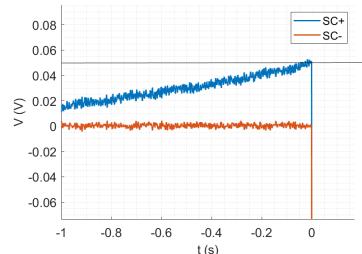
A significant and promising test result for direct wind

Innovation to reduce radial buildup appears to work (since the magnet was energized to higher fields and the splices were subjected to larger forces, issue that limited the performance seems to have been resolved now)

 Test was limited by the difference voltage in sc leads exceeding 50 mV, either from a joint or a signal mix-up.

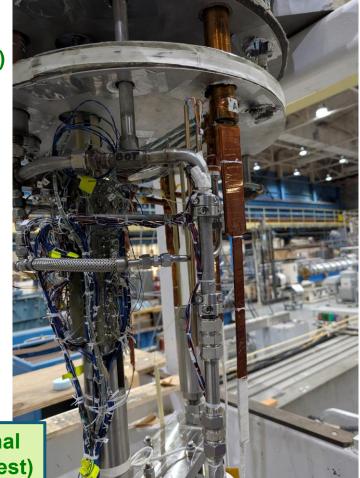


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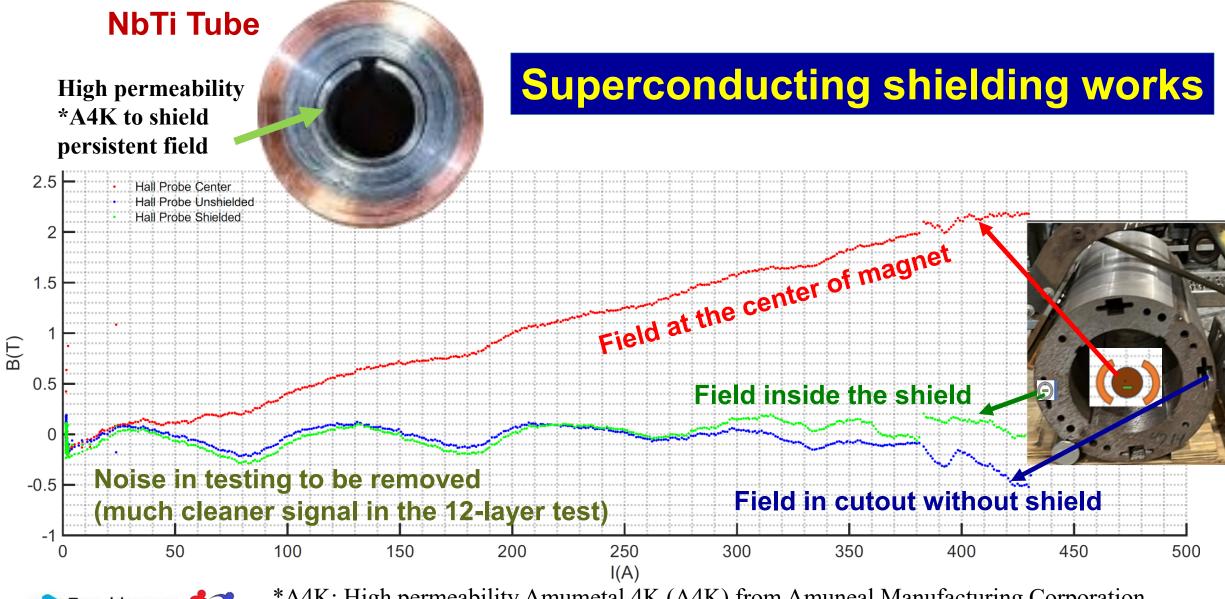


(magnet seems to be good, external issue to be fixed before the next test)

~84% of the design field of RHIC 80mm dipole, in 114mm aperture



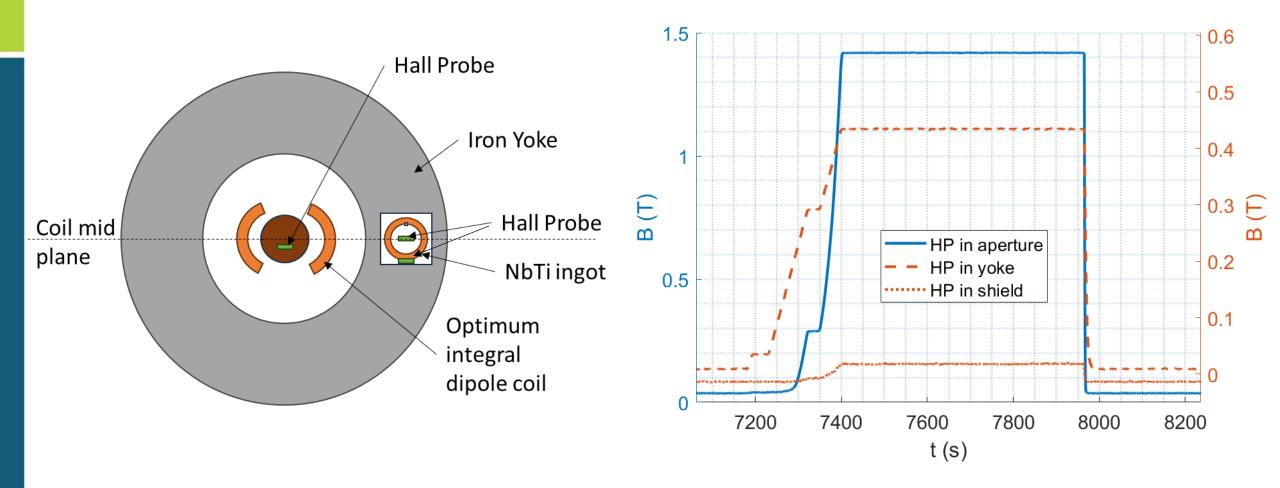
Demonstration of Superconducting Shielding in 6-layer Magnet





*A4K: High permeability Amumetal 4K (A4K) from Amuneal Manufacturing Corporation

Passive Shielding Experiment in 12-layer higher field dipole



(cleaner Hall probe signal, data still being examined)



Possible Application of the Optimum Integral Design in Other EIC Magnets



Possibility of Optimum Integral Design for Short EIC Magnets

- Typical mechanical length of end: ~ 2 coil diameter each in dipole.
 Total ends in dipole: ~four diameter (~2 coil diameter in quad).
- Compare coil length (L) to coil i.d. (id) ratios. Relative loss will be significant when the ratio is <8 in dipoles and <4 in quadrupoles.

Coil length to coil diameter ratios in some EIC magnets:

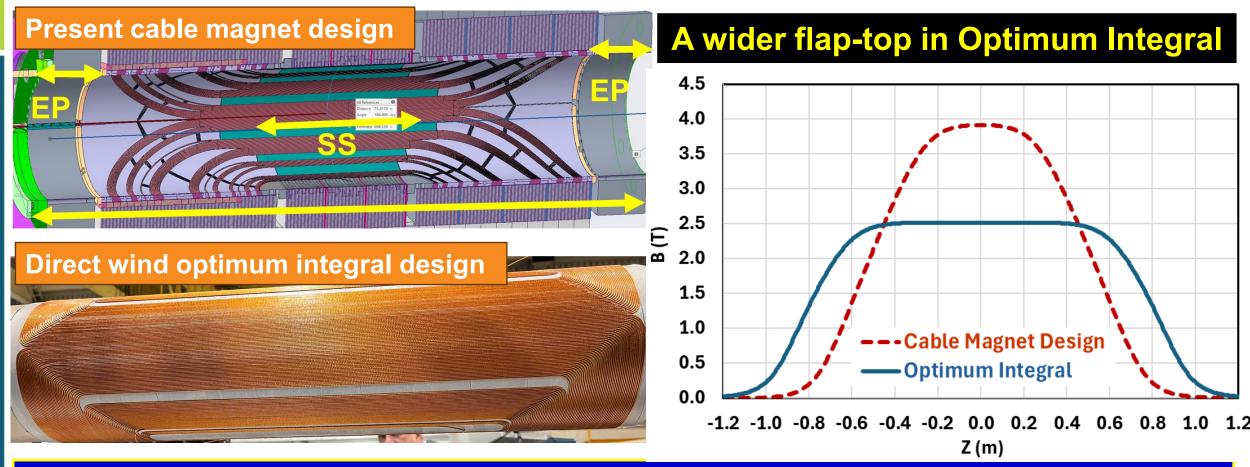
- \triangleright B0ApF (L = 600 mm, id = 114 mm): ~5.3
- \gt B1ApF (L = 1600 mm, id = 370 mm): ~4.3
- > B1pF/B1ApF (L = 2500 mm, id = 363 mm): ~6.9
- > B0pF/Q0eF (L = 1200 mm, id = 656 mm): ~1.8

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(compare this to quadrupole, not to dipole)

Reference guide
~8 in dipole
~4 in quads

Value of the Optimum Integral Design in B1ApF (comparison with the cable magnet design—current baseline)

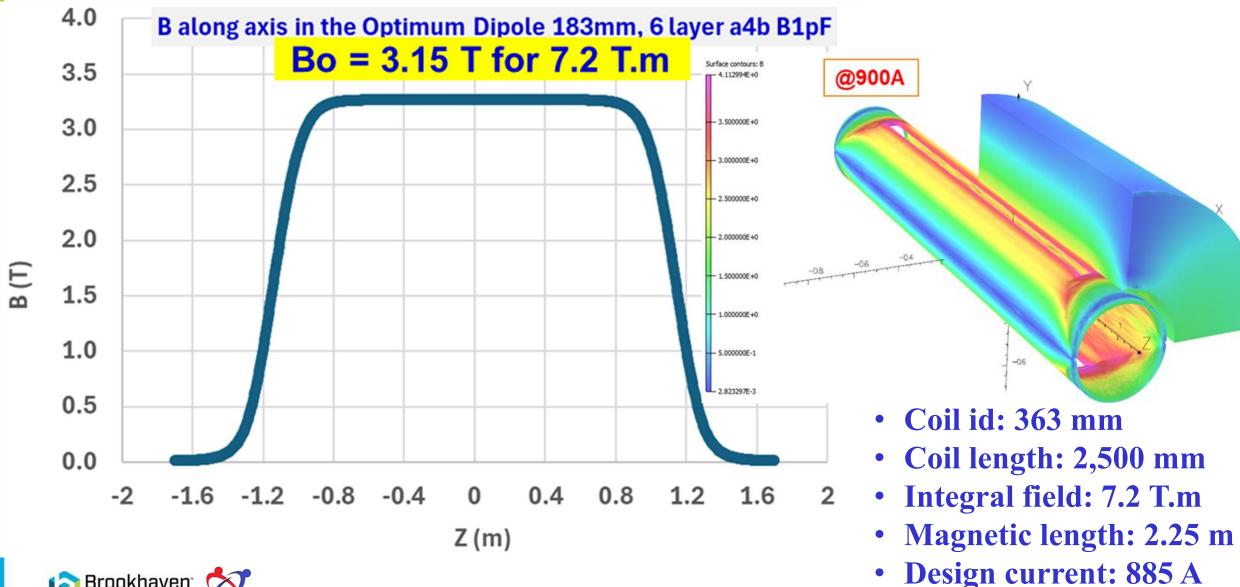


Technical benefit: B_o goes down from ~3.9 T to ~2.5 T; forces/stresses go down as B²



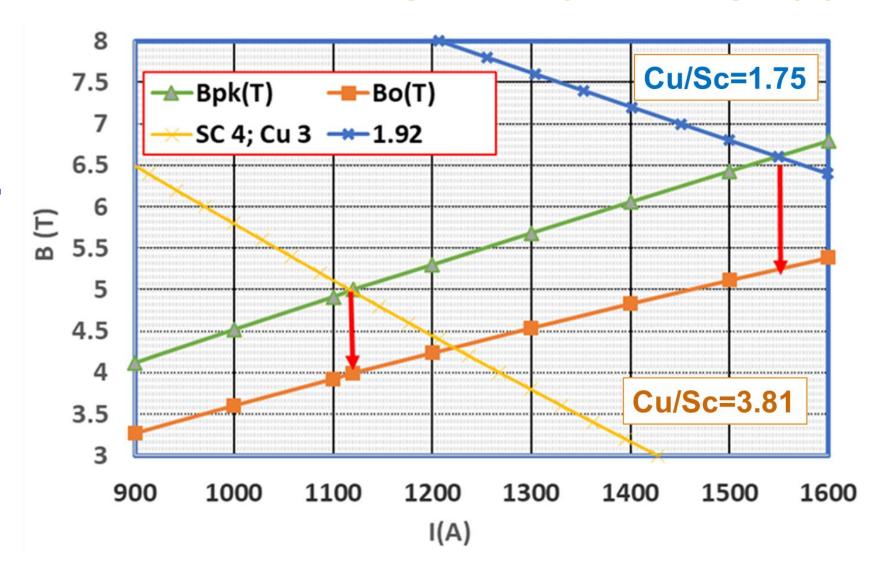
➤ Required Field Integral: 4.05 T.m

B1pF/B1ApF Common optimum integral 6-layer design (1)



B1pF/B1ApF Common optimum integral 6-layer design (2)

- Coil id: 363 mm
- Coil length: 2,500 mm
- Length/Aperture: 6.9
- Number of layers: 6
- Field at the center: 3.2 T
- Integral field: 7.2 T.m
- Magnetic length: 2.25 m
- Design current: 885 A
- Wire dia: 0.47 mm
- Cable: 6-around-1
- (not all Superconductor)
- Temperature: 1.92 K

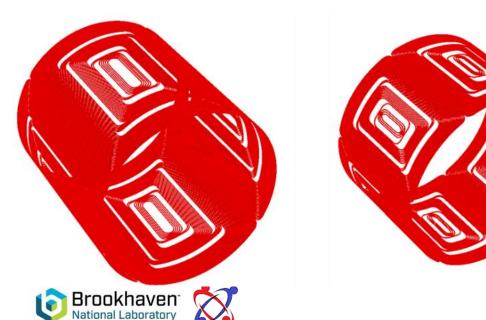


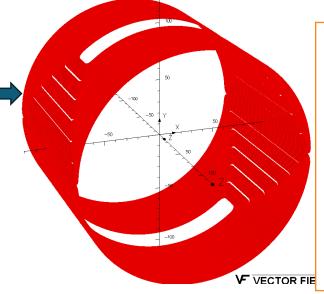


Optimum Integral Design Opens a New Parameter Space

(not considered practical for superconducting magnets before)

- ➤ High field quality dipoles with coil length less than the coil diameter ■
- Quadrupole magnets with coil length less than the coil radius
- Sextupole magnets with coil length less than 2/3 of the coil radius





- > Model of a "really" short length dipole.
- Coil length 175 mm; Coil diameter 200 mm.
- Coil length < diameter (much less than 8, the earlier figure of merit)!

Very Good Field Quality

COMPUTED INTEGRAL FIELD HARMONICS FOR A SHORT DIPOLE (COIL LENGTH < DIAMETER) AT A RADIUS OF 66.6 MM. THE COIL RADIUS IS 100 MM. NOTE b_2 IS SEXTUPOLE MUTLIPLIED BY 10^4 (US conventions).

Integral Field (T.m)	b_2	b_4	b_6	b_8	b_{10}	b_{12}
0.00273 @ 25 A	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Potential uses of this design and technology go well beyond the EIC or NP; e.g., fusion, etc, ...

> Real challenge is how to make it be known?

Acknowledgments

- We acknowledge the contributions of our technicians who worked hard and long hours. The outcome of R&D like this, carried out with a limited engineering, depends on their skills, experience and practical solutions.
- We wish to acknowledge support from various lab programs.
- Demonstration of the "Optimum Integral Design" and its likely application to various EIC magnets, and hopefully to many other future projects would not have been possible without the DOE SBIR/STTR program and the encouragement and understanding from the program manager.



Summary (1)

- Optimum integral design reduces the maximum field required for the desired integral field by reducing the loss in magnetic length due to ends.
- Relative benefits of this design are significant in short magnets. This
 could be relevant in several EIC IR magnets and beyond, where the
 length of the body becomes comparable to the length of the ends. This
 also makes some short magnets possible that were not practical before.
- This program was proposed to demonstrate these benefits in the dipole B0ApF using the direct wind technology and evaluate them for others.
- The program has already demonstrated (a) the extension of magnetic length, (b) demonstration of a good field quality for hadron beam, and (c) superconducting shielding for ensuring field quality for electron beam.



Summary (2)

- PBL/BNL direct-wind, optimum integral, full-length EIC B0ApF dipole was energized to ~2.9 T, reaching ~75% of the required integral field at 4.2 K (~84% of the RHIC dipole design field), with no spontaneous quenches in the magnet. Margin at ~1.92K will be higher with appropriate structure.
- Testing to the required integral field was interrupted due to issues
 external to the magnet. It is likely to resume soon after resolving the
 issues to demonstrate the design to the design integral field.
- This STTR has already resulted in a significant demonstration of the optimum integral design and of the direct wind technology.
- Development of the optimum integral design to this level would not have been possible without the support of the DOE SBIR/STTR office. Thanks.



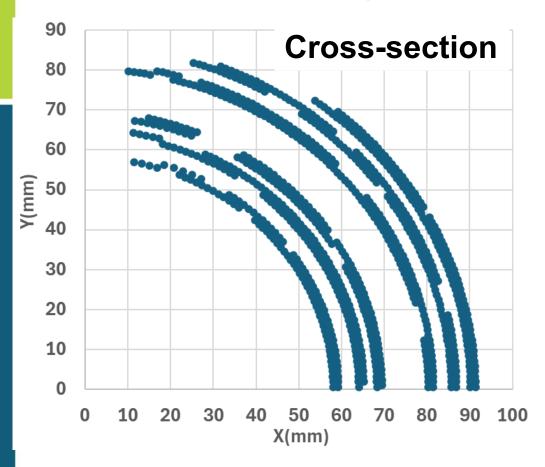
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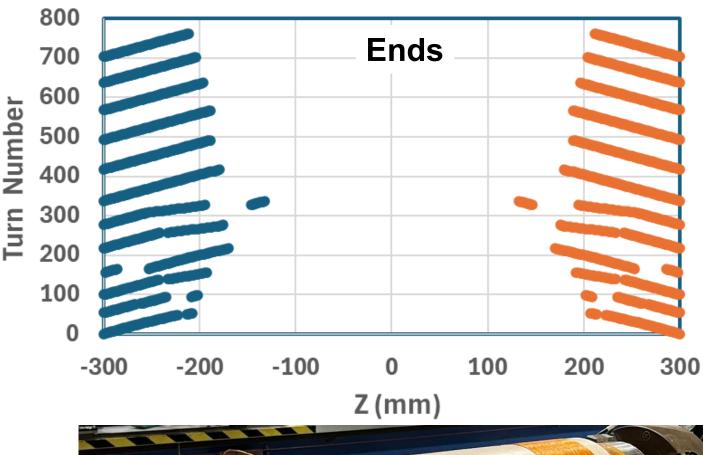
List of Tasks in Phase II Proposal

- Task 1: Enhancement of Code to Optimize the Phase II Design
- Task 2: Magnetic Design and Analysis of the Phase II EIC IR Dipole B0ApF
- Task 3: Mechanical Structural Design and Analysis of the Phase II Dipole
- Task 4a: Winding of Phase II Inner Coils
- Task 4b: Winding of Phase II Outer Coils and Construction of the Dipole
- Task 5: Quench Protection and Analysis of the Phase II Dipole
- Task 6: Phase II Dipole Field Quality and Quench Tests
- Task 7: Ensuring Field Quality in the Phase II Dipole
- Task 8: Evaluation of the *Optimum Integral Design* for Other Applications
- Task 9: Preparation of Phase II Report and Plans beyond Phase II



Coil Geometry





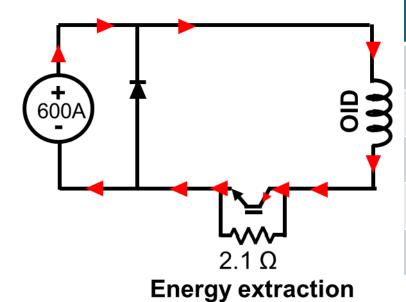
Total cable used in 12 layers: 1.73 km (121 meter to 175 meter used in a layer)



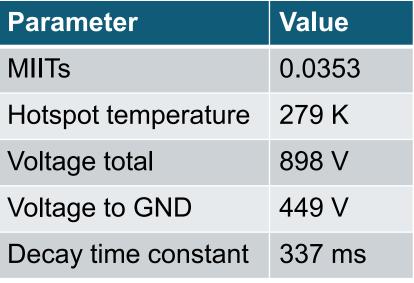


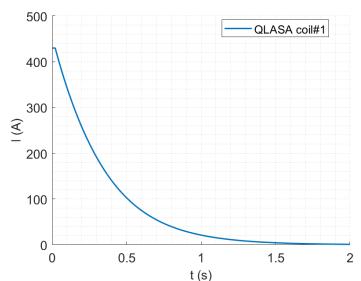
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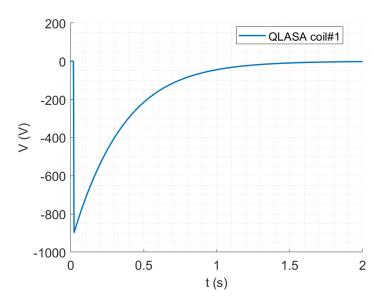
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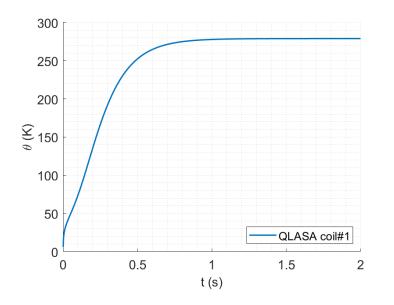


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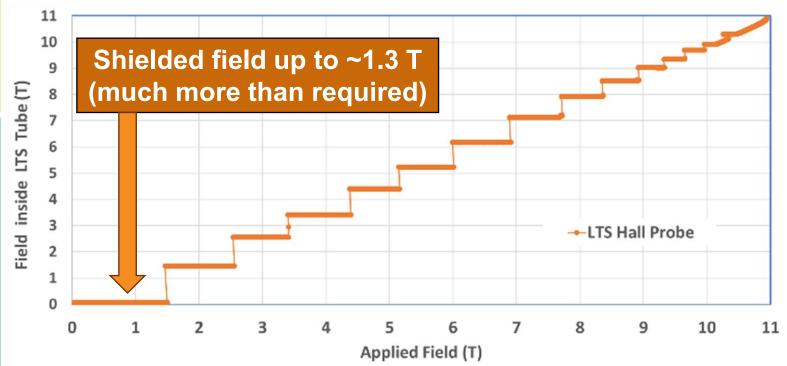




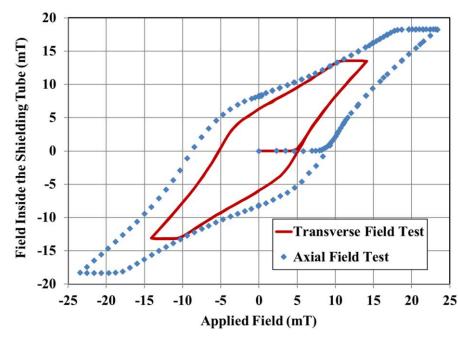




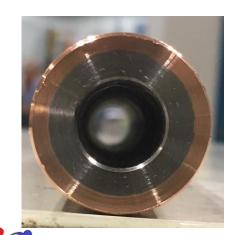
Demonstration of Superconducting Shield in a Previous SBIR















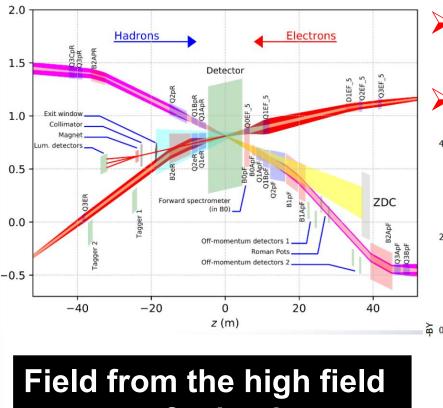




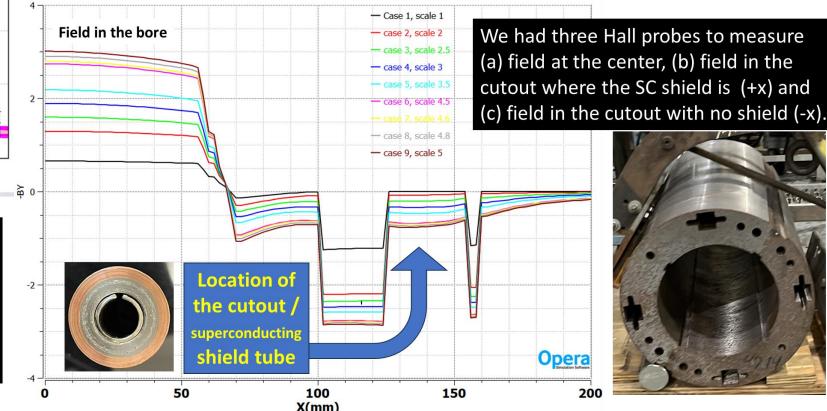
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Test of Superconducting Shielding for EIC Magnets

A major challenge in EIC IR: e-beam traverses very close to lon beam in EIC IR region



- ➤ This test run provided an opportunity to test the potential benefit of superconducting shield in EIC.
- ➤ The topic was part of an earlier PBL/BNL Phase I SBIR



magnets for ion beams must be shielded on the path of e-beam



Homepage on the Optimum Integral Design

Optimum Integral Design:

https://wpw.bnl.gov/rgupta/optimum-integral/



Selected papers, presentations, and SBIR/STTRs on the Optimum Integral Design:

- •Optimum Integral Design and It's Application to EIC Magnets, Magnet Steering Group Meeting, July 25, 2025.
- •<u>Design, Construction, and Test of a Direct Wind Dipole B0ApF based on the Optimum Integral Design</u> (https://mt29-conf.org/), <u>Thu-Mo-Or1-03</u>, <u>Boston</u>, <u>July 1 6</u>, <u>2025</u> (abstract).
- •Optimum Integral Design for EIC Dipole B1pF/B1ApF, MT29 International Conference on Magnet Technology (https://mt29-conf.org/), Fri-Mo-Po.05-04, Boston, July 1 6, 2025 (poster).
- •Optimum Integral Dipole B0ApF, Magnet Steering Group Meeting, June 6, 2025.
- Optimization Strategy and Code for the Optimum Integral Design, May 29, 2025 (design manual).
- A Proposed Value Engineering Design for B1ApF, January 7, 2025.
- A New Medium Field Superconducting Magnet for the EIC, FY24 Nuclear Physics SBIR/STTR Phase II Exchange Meeting, August 14, 2024.
- •Optimum Integral Magnet Design (includes work performed under PBL/BNL STTR), US MDP general meeting, October 25, 2023
- •<u>A Novel, Medium-field Optimum Integral Dipole, Presented at MT28 International Conference on Magnet Technology (https://mt28.aoscongres.com/home!en), September 14, 2023</u>
- •A new medium field superconducting magnet for the EIC, FY23 DOE SBIR/STTR Phase II Exchange Meeting, August 15, 2023
- •Optimum Integral Dipole STTR for EIC, internal presentation to BNL EIC magnet team, October 5, 2022
- •STTR Phase II with Particle Beam Lasers, Inc. (PBL), "A New Medium Field Superconducting Magnet for the EIC", (2022-ongoing), DE-SC0021578, (Summary, Narrative, Report)
- •A new medium field superconducting magnet for the EIC, FY21 Phase I PI meeting, June 28, 2021
- •STTR Phase I with Particle Beam Lasers, Inc., "A New Medium Field Superconducting Magnet for the EIC", (2021, Phase I completed), DE-SC0021578, (Summary, Narrative, Report)
- •R. Gupta, "Optimum Integral Design for Optimizing Field in Short Magnets", Presented at the Applied Superconductivity Conference during October 3-8, 2024 at Jacksonville, FL, USA (2004). ****Click Here for Poster****
- •R. Gupta, **Optimum Integral Design for Maximizing Field in Short Magnets**. Magnet Division Note No. MDN-634-37 (AM-MD-334) (February 2004), https://wpw.bnl.gov/rgupta/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2023/03/MDN-634-37.pdf

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Magnet Experts in the PBL Team

Current staff of Particle Beam Lasers, Inc. (PBL):

- Erich Willen (Ex-head, BNL magnet division, retired)
- Ron Scanlan (Ex-head, LBNL magnet group, retired)
- Al Zeller (Ex-head FRIB/MSU magnet group, retired)
- James Kolonko (President, UCLA retired)
- Delbert Larson (Vice President, Senior Scientist)
- Steve Kahn (Senior Scientist, BNL retiree)
- Bob Weggel (Senior Engineer, MIT/BNL retiree)

Well recognized experts providing the critical input

Previous PBL employees:

Bob Palmer, ex-head, BNL magnet division, retired

Albert Garren, ex-LBNL scientist, retired; David Cline, ex- Professor UCLA, retired Harold Kirk, ex-BNL scientist (BNL), retired; Fred Mills ex-FNAL scientist, retired Shailendra Chouhan, ex-MSU/FRIB scientist, and a few others.



PBL SBIR/STTR Awards with BNL (NP awards highlighted)

1. A 6-D Muon Cooling System Using Achromat Bends and the Design, Fabrication and Tes	st of a Prototype		<u>-</u>
High Temperature (HTS) Solenoid for the System. DE-FG02-07ER84855		August 2008	\$850,000
2. Study of a Final Cooling Scheme for a Muon Collider Utilizing High Field Solenoids.	DE-FG02-08ER85037	June 2008	\$100,000
3. Design of a Demonstration of Magnetic Insulation and Study of its Application to Ionization	on Cooling. DE-SC000221	July 2009	\$100,000
4. Study of a Muon Collider Dipole System to Reduce Detector Background and Heating.	DE-SC0004494	June 2010	\$100,000
5. Study of a Final Cooling Scheme for a Muon Collider Utilizing High Field Solenoids: Coo			
Design, Fabrication and Testing of Coils.	DE-FG02-08ER85037	August 2010	\$800,000
6. Innovative Design of a High Current Density Nb ₃ Sn Outer Coil for a Muon Cooling Exper	iment. DE-SC0006227	June 2011	\$139,936
7. Magnet Coil Designs Using YBCO High Temperature Superconductor (HTS).	DE-SC0007738	February 2012	\$150,000
8. Dipole Magnet with Elliptical and Rectangular Shielding for a Muon Collider.	DE-SC000	February 2013	\$150,000
9. A Hybrid HTS/LTS Superconductor Design for High-Field Accelerator Magnets.	DE-SC0011348	February 2014	\$150,000
10. A Hybrid HTS/LTS Superconductor Design for High-Field Accelerator Magnets.	DE-SC0011348	April 2016	\$999,444
11. Development of an Accelerator Quality High-Field Common Coil Dipole Magnet.	DE-SC0015896	June 2016	\$150,000
12. Novel Design for High-Field, Large Aperture Quadrupoles for Electron-Ion Collider	DE-SC00186	April 2018	\$150,000
13. Field Compensation in Electron-Ion Collider Magnets with Passive Superconducting	ng Shield DE-SC0018614	April 2018	\$150,000
14. HTS Solenoid for Neutron Scattering.	DE-SC0019722	February 2019	\$150,000
15. Quench Protection for a Neutron Scattering Magnet.	DE-SC0020466	February 2020	\$200,000
16. Overpass/Underpass Coil Design for High-Field Dipoles.	DE-SC002076	June 2020	\$200,000
17. A New Medium Field Superconducting Magnet for the EIC (Phase I)	DE-SC0021578	February 2021	\$200,000
18. A New Medium Field Superconducting Magnet for the EIC (Phase II)	DE-SC0021578	April 2022	\$1,1500,00



Major outcome of PBL/BNL team in backup slides

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> Record field in an all HTS solenoid: 16 T (2012)

Follow-on work:

- ✓ Led to (a) several other SBIR/STTR grants, (b) HTS SMES program at BNL with ARPA-E which produced record high field, high temperature SMES (12 T, @27 K), (c) synergy with DOE/NP's HTS prototype quadrupole for FRIB and other programs
- Record field in an HTS/LTS hybrid accelerator dipole: 8.7 T (2017)
 Follow-on work:
 - ✓ Led to (a) several new SBIR/STTR grants, (b) Magnet Development Program with HEP producing another record hybrid field of 12.3 T, (c) created a unique Common Coil Test Facility (**CCTF**), in high demand by "Fusion", HEP and worldwide users
- > Patents and other follow-on work for both PBL and BNL Teams

