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Outline

- Introduction: fast transients in Tokamaks
- New model for the calculation of AC losses due to fast varying fields
 - ✓ Analytical solution of the Osagawara equation
 - ✓ Coupling, magnetization, and dynamic resistance
- Model application: ac losses of a CS module of a Tokamak device (DTT):
 - ✓ Evaluated AC losses on central turn at peak field
 - ✓ Developed 2D FE model with variable $n\tau$
- Conclusions and future directions

Introduction – Divertor Tokamak Test @ ENEA



18 TF coils:

Nb₃Sn CICC: 42.5 kA – 11.9 T

providing **6.0 T** over plasma major radius

6 CS modules (independently fed):

Nb₃Sn CICC: 31.3 kA – 13.6 T

providing **16.6 Weber** magnetic flux for plasma initiation at breakdown

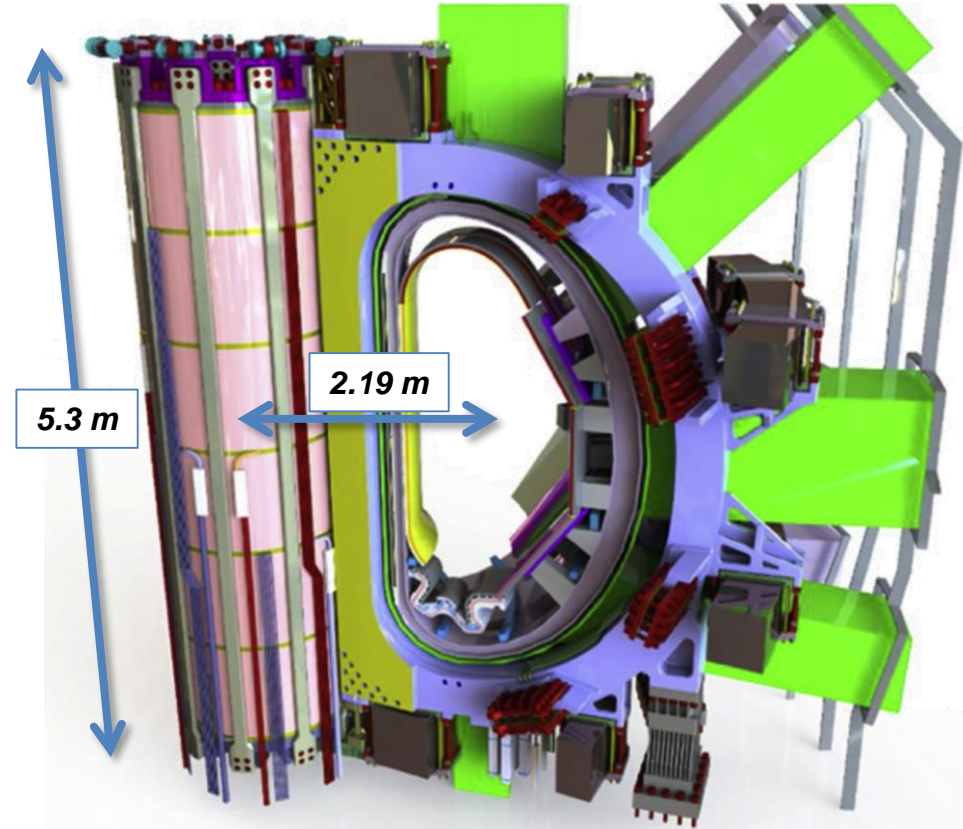
6 PF coils:

Nb₃Sn (PF1 & PF6) CICC: 28.3 kA – 9.1 T

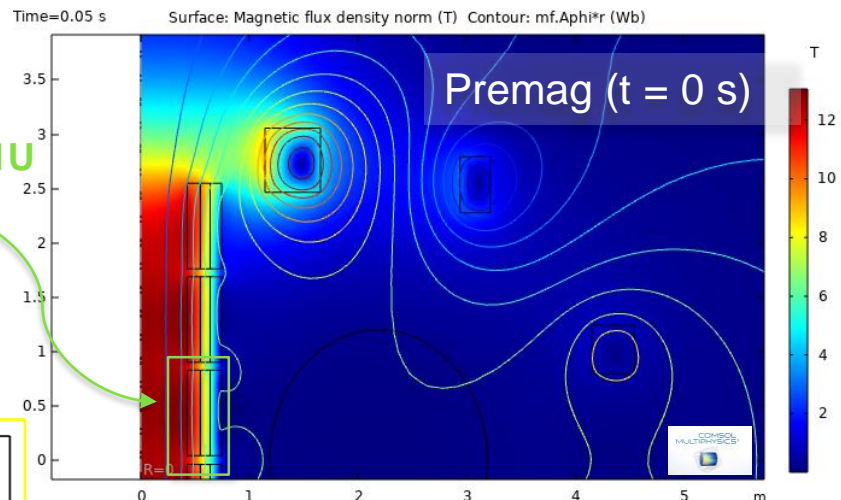
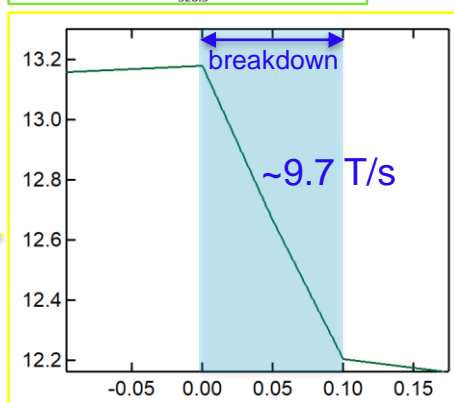
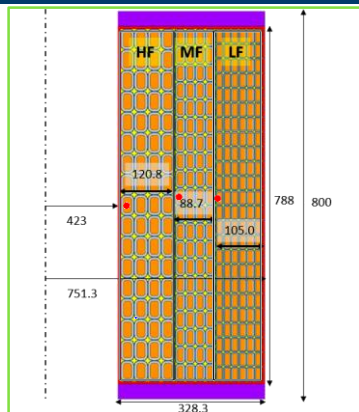
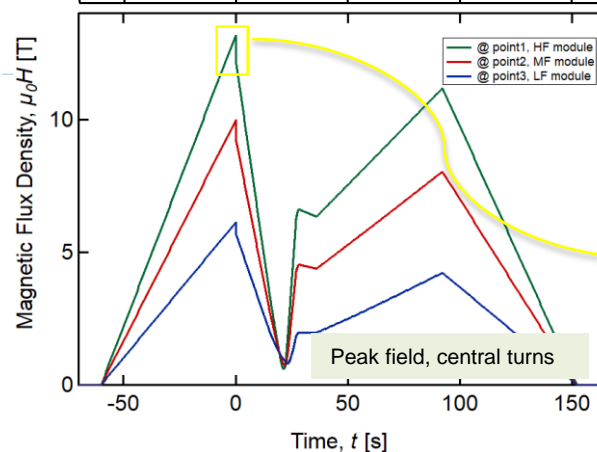
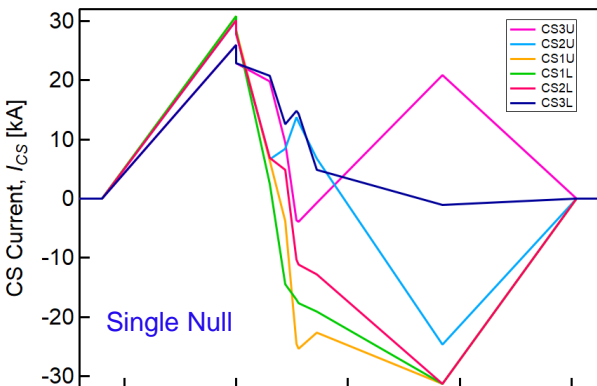
NbTi (PF3 & PF4) CICC: 28.6 kA – 5.3 T

NbTi (PF2 & PF5) CICC: 27.1 kA – 4.2 T

Identical in pairs for full top/down symmetry



High Field-Rates in CS Modules



$|\partial_t B|$ during breakdown:

9.7 T/s (CS1U, HF)

7.3 T/s (CS1U, MF)

4.3 T/s (CS1U, LF)

Aim of the Work

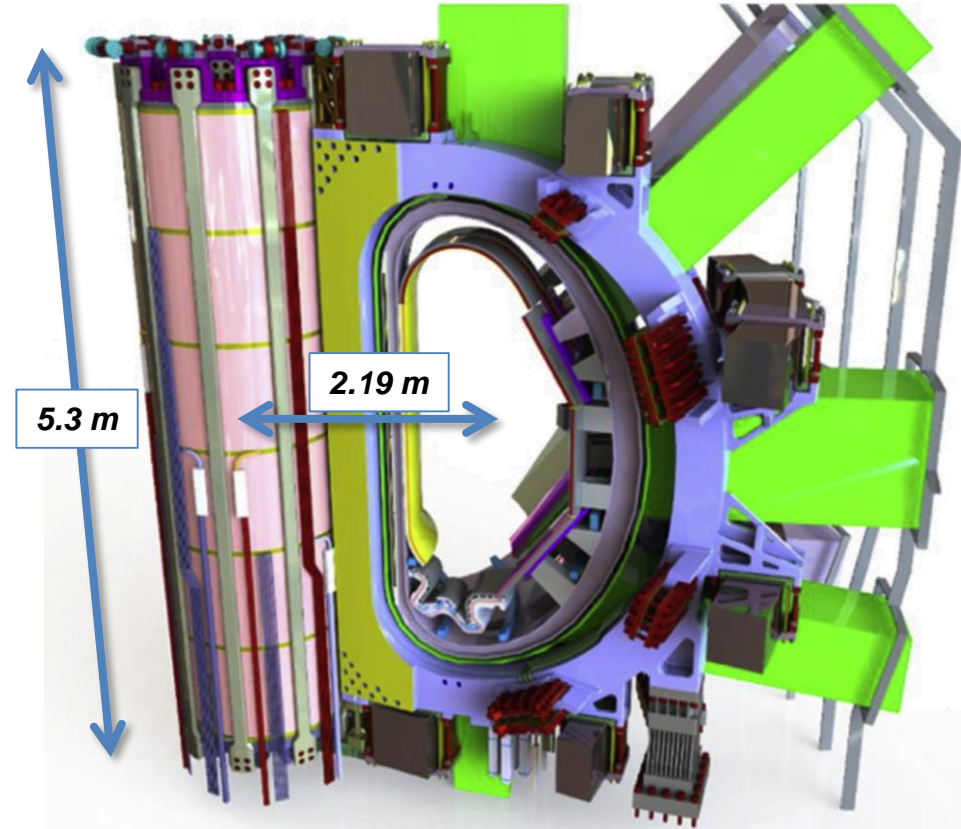


Allocated **thermal budget** in SC magnet design



Need to estimate *e.m.* losses deriving from $\partial_t \vec{B}_{ext}$ and/or $\partial_t \vec{I}_{transp}$

The present work investigates the ac losses of conductors subjected to time-varying fields and carrying dc currents.



Coupling and Eddy Currents in Composites

1970s - Problem studied by several investigators [Morgan, Ries, Carr, Brandt, Clem, Murphy, Norris, etc.]

$$B_e - B = \tau \dot{B}$$

$$\tau = \frac{\mu_0}{\rho_{et}} \left(\frac{l_p}{2\pi} \right)^2$$

1978-79 - Extension to higher field-rates attempted by Soubeyrand&Turck

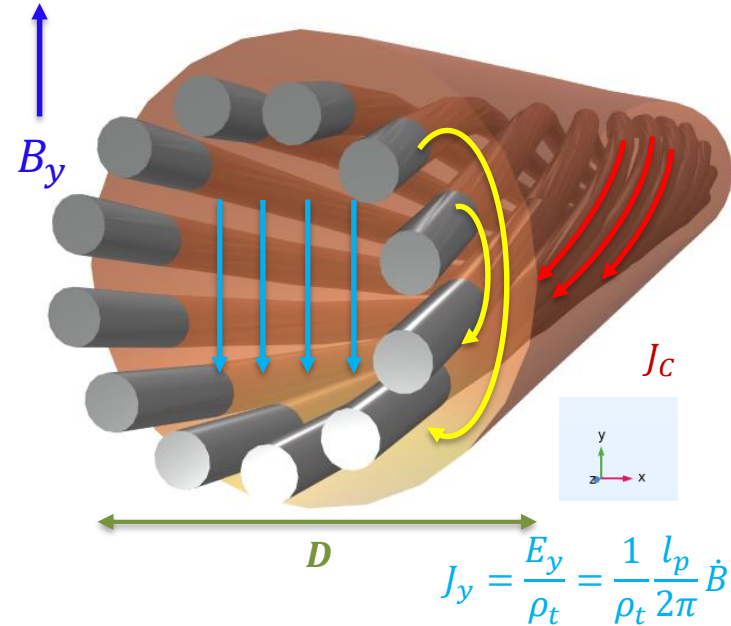
1980 - Ogasawara *et al.*: saturation layer δ depends on \dot{B} , and *Ries formula* no longer valid

$$B_e - B = \frac{\tau \dot{B}}{1 + \frac{\tau \dot{B}}{B_p}}$$

$$\frac{\delta}{R} = \frac{\tau \dot{B}}{B_p} \left(1 + \frac{\tau \dot{B}}{B_p} \right)^{-1}$$

$$B_p = \mu_0 J_C D / 2$$

Solved for trapezoidal shaped $B_e(t)$, for two limiting cases:



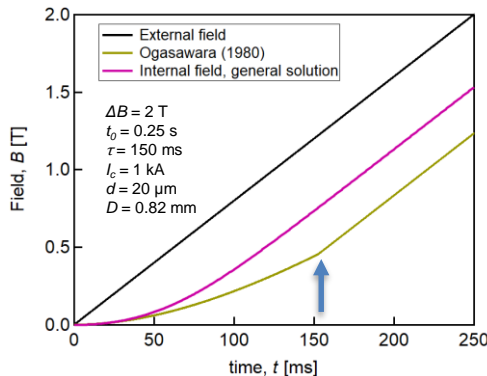
$$\begin{cases} B_e - B = \tau \dot{B} \\ B_e - B = B_p \end{cases}$$

$$J_p(\theta) = \frac{1}{\rho_m} \frac{l_p}{2\pi} \cos(\theta) \dot{B}$$

Solution of the Ogasawara Problem

- Differential equation slightly modified to include both *ramp-up* and *ramp-down*

$$B_e - B = \frac{\tau \dot{B}}{1 + \frac{\tau |\dot{B}|}{B_p}}$$



$$\beta_1 = - \left(1 + \frac{\tau}{t_0} \frac{|\Delta B|}{B_p} \right)$$

$$\beta_2 = \beta_1 - \ln \left(\frac{\tau}{t_0} \frac{|\Delta B|}{B_p} \right)$$

$$\beta_1 \left(\pm \frac{B(t) - \frac{|\Delta B|}{t_0} t}{B_p} + 1 \right) - \ln \left| 1 + \beta_1 \left(\pm \frac{B(t) - \frac{|\Delta B|}{t_0} t}{B_p} + 1 \right) \right| = \frac{\beta_1^2}{\tau} t + \beta_2$$

- The solution is an implicit function of B
- Good news! The solution is integrable, allowing analytical calculations of AC losses

Coupling Magnetization

Magnetization per unit volume, M_c , due to the coupling currents

Ogasawara 1980

Case (1) $\tau \dot{B}/B_p < (1 - i)$ for $(0 \leq t \leq t_0)$

$$M_{c1} = \tau \dot{B} - \frac{1}{2B_p} (\tau \dot{B})^2$$

Case (2) $\tau \dot{B}/B_p \begin{cases} < (1 - i) \text{ for } (0 \leq t \leq t_1) \\ \geq (1 - i) \text{ for } (t_1 \leq t \leq t_0) \end{cases}$

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Case (1) $\tau \dot{B}/B_p < \frac{(1 - i)}{i}$ for $(0 \leq t \leq t_0)$

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Coupling Losses

Coupling losses per unit volume Q_c : analytical solution for ramping-up field

$$Q_c = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \int_0^{t_0} M_c \dot{B}_e \cdot dt$$

$$Q_c = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \frac{B_p \Delta B}{2t_0} \begin{cases} t_0 + \frac{\tau}{2\beta_1^2} (x_{t_0}^2 - x_0^2) - \frac{\tau}{3\beta_1} (x_{t_0}^3 - x_0^3) - \frac{t_0}{\beta_1^2} & \text{Case (1)} \\ (1 - i^2)(t_0 - t_1) + t_1 + \frac{\tau}{2\beta_1^2} (x_{t_1}^2 - x_0^2) - \frac{\tau}{3\beta_1} (x_{t_1}^3 - x_0^3) - \frac{t_1}{\beta_1^2} & \text{Case (2)} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} M_{c2} = M_{c1} & 0 \leq t \leq t_1 \\ M_{c2} = \frac{1}{1 - i^2} B_p (1 - i^2) & t_1 \leq t \leq t_0 \end{cases} \quad x_0 = \frac{B(t=0)}{B_p} + 1; \quad x_{t_1} = \frac{B(t=t_1) - \Delta B/t_0 t_1}{B_p} + 1; \quad x_{t_0} = \frac{B(t=t_0) - \Delta B}{B_p} + 1; \quad \beta_1 = -1 - \frac{\tau}{t_0} \frac{\Delta B}{B_p}$$

Intrinsic Magnetization of SC Filaments

Intrinsic magnetization per unit volume, M_h , due to the shielding currents

Ogasawara 1980

Case (1) $\tau \dot{B}/B_p < (1 - i)$ for $(0 \leq t \leq t_0)$

$$M_{h1} = \frac{1}{2} b_p (1 - \tau \dot{B}/B_p) \left(1 - \frac{i^2}{(1 - \tau \dot{B}/B_p)^2} \right)$$

Case (2) $\tau \dot{B}/B_p \begin{cases} < (1 - i) \text{ for } (0 \leq t \leq t_1) \\ \geq (1 - i) \text{ for } (t_1 \leq t \leq t_0) \end{cases}$

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Case (1) $\tau \dot{B}/B_p < \frac{(1 - i)}{i}$ for $(0 \leq t \leq t_0)$

$$M_{h1} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{b_p}{1 + \tau |\dot{B}|/B_p} \left(1 - i^2 (1 + \tau |\dot{B}|/B_p)^2 \right)$$

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$$x_0 = \frac{B(t=0)}{B_p} + 1; \quad x_{t_1} = \frac{B(t=t_1) - \Delta B/t_0 t_1}{B_p} + 1; \quad x_{t_0} = \frac{B(t=t_0) - \Delta B}{B_p} + 1; \quad \beta_1 = -1 - \frac{\tau}{t_0} \frac{\Delta B}{B_p}$$

Dynamic Resistance

Resistive voltage per unit length, V_t , due to dynamic resistance

Ogasawara 1980

Case (1) $\tau \dot{B}/B_p < (1 - i)$ for $(0 \leq t \leq t_0)$

$$V_{t1} = \frac{1}{2} d i \dot{B} (1 - \tau \dot{B}/B_p)^{-1}$$

Case (2) $\tau \dot{B}/B_p \begin{cases} < (1 - i) \text{ for } (0 \leq t \leq t_1) \\ \geq (1 - i) \text{ for } (t_1 \leq t \leq t_0) \end{cases}$

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Losses due to Dynamic Resistance

Dynamic resistance losses per unit volume Q_d : analytical solution for ramping-up

$$Q_d = \frac{1}{A} \int_0^{t_0} V_t I_t \cdot dt$$

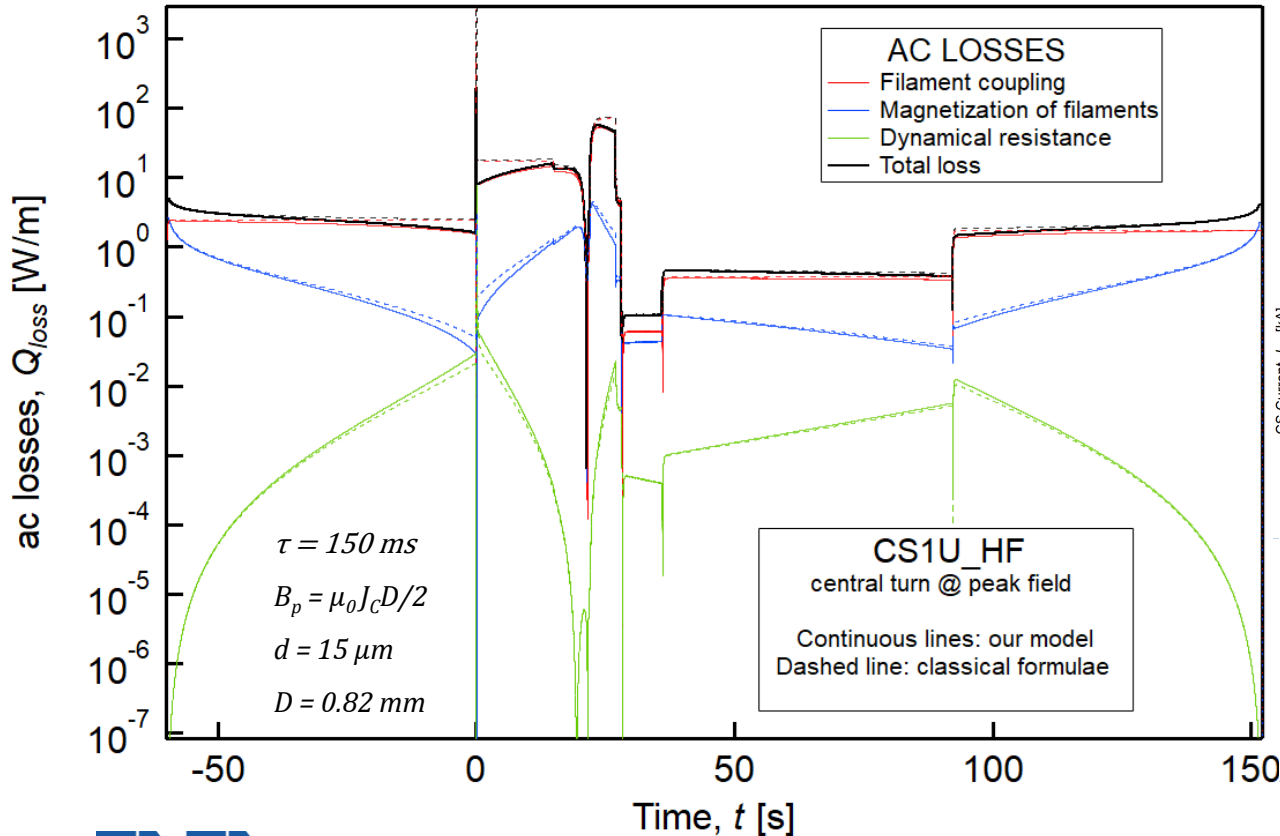
$$Q_d = \frac{i^2 d I_c}{2\pi(D/2)^2} \begin{cases} y_{t_0} - y_0 + \frac{\Delta B^2 \tau}{B_p t_0} + \left(2 \frac{\Delta B}{t_0} \tau + \beta_1\right) (x_{t_0} - x_0) + B_p \ln \left(\frac{|x_{t_0}|}{|x_0|}\right) & \text{Case (1)} \\ y_{t_1} - y_0 + \left(\frac{\Delta B}{t_0}\right)^2 \frac{\tau}{B_p} t_1 + \left(2 \frac{\Delta B}{t_0} \tau + \beta_1\right) (x_{t_1} - x_0) + B_p \ln \left(\frac{|x_{t_1}|}{|x_0|}\right) + \frac{2}{d i} \Delta Q_d & \text{Case (2)} \end{cases}$$

$$\Delta Q_d = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta B}{t_0} \left(d + D i \left(1 - \frac{1-i}{i} \frac{t_0}{\tau} \frac{B_p}{\Delta B} \right) \right) (t_0 - t_1)$$

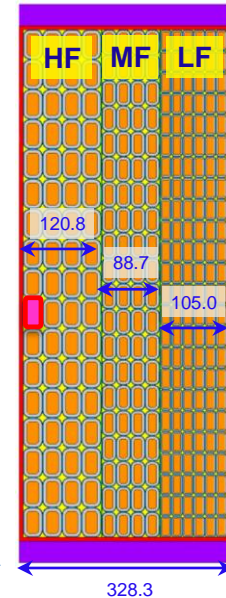
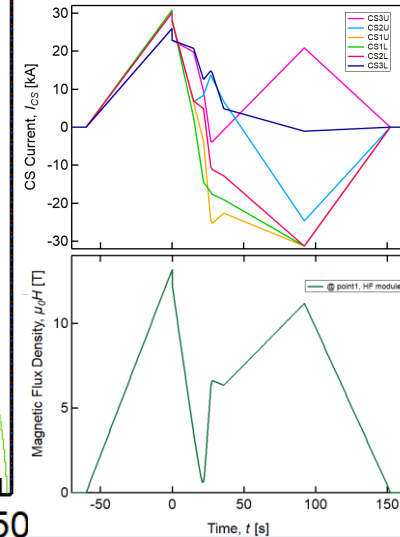
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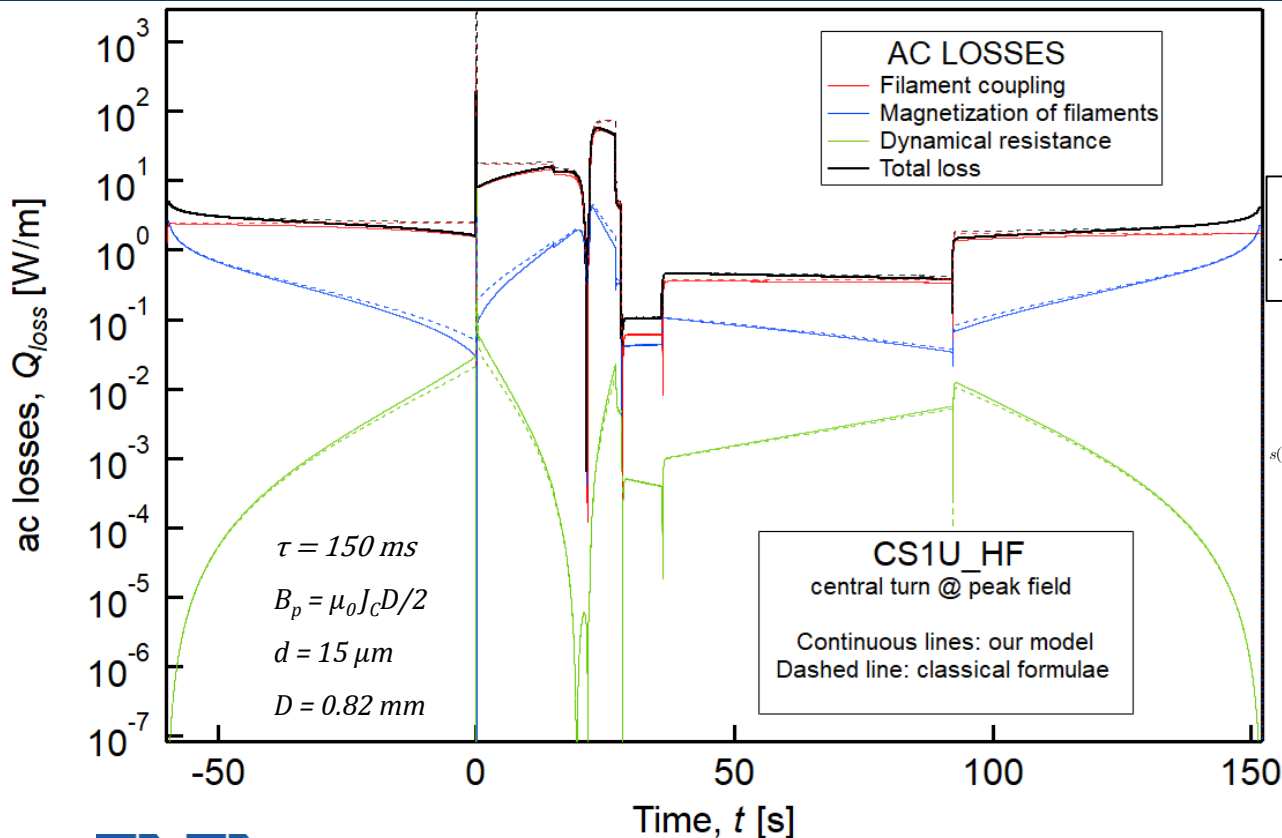
AC Losses in CS1U, HF Module



AC losses evaluated considering the peak field on central turn



AC Losses in CS1U_HF – J_c Parameterization



J_c parameterization

ITER-2008 with $\varepsilon_{eff} = -0.55\%$

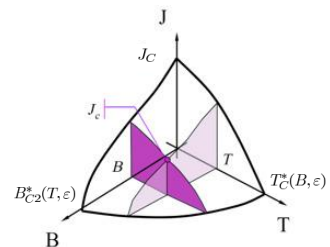
$$J_C = \frac{C_0}{B} s(\varepsilon)(1 - t^{1.52})(1 - t^2)b^p(1 - b)^q$$

$$B_{C2}^*(T, \varepsilon) = B_{C20 \max}^* s(\varepsilon) (1 - t^{1.52})$$

$$T_{C'}^*(B, \varepsilon) = T_{C0 \max}^* [s(\varepsilon)]^{\frac{1}{3}} \left(1 - \frac{B}{B_{C2}^*(0, \varepsilon)}\right)^{1.52}$$

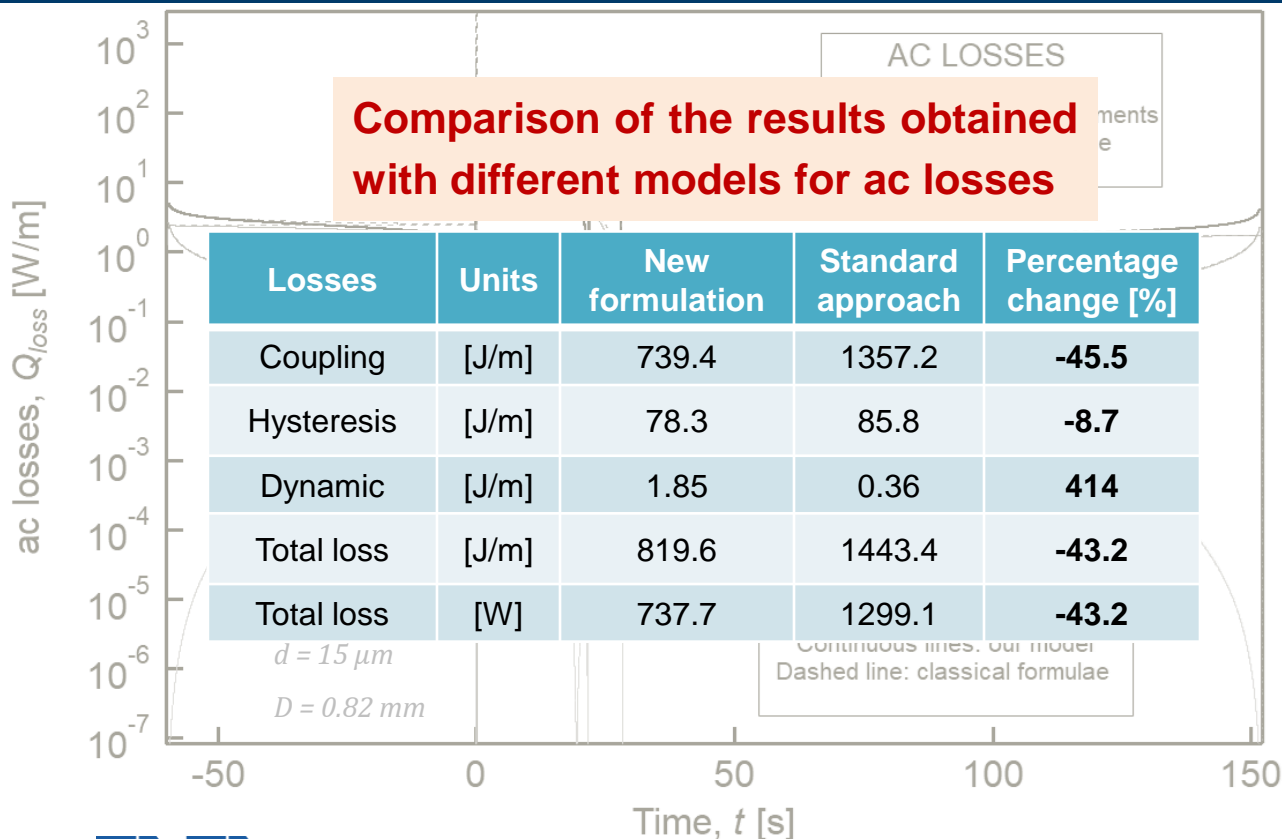
$$s(\varepsilon) = 1 + \frac{C_{a1} \left(\sqrt{\varepsilon_{sh}^2 + \varepsilon_{0,a}^2} - \sqrt{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{sh})^2 + \varepsilon_{0,a}^2} \right) - C_{a2} \varepsilon}{1 - C_{a1} \varepsilon_{0,a}}$$

$$\varepsilon_{sh} = \frac{C_{a2} \varepsilon_{0,a}}{\sqrt{C_{a1}^2 - C_{a2}^2}}$$



Coefficient	Value
C_0 [A T]	20918
C_{a1}	44.48
C_{a2}	0.0
$\varepsilon_{0,a}$ [%]	0.256
ε_m [%]	-0.049
$B_{c2,m}(0)$ [T]	32.97
$T_{c0,m}$ [K]	16.06
p	0.63
q	2.1

Comparative Analysis of AC Losses Results



Estimations using standard formulae lead to largely different values

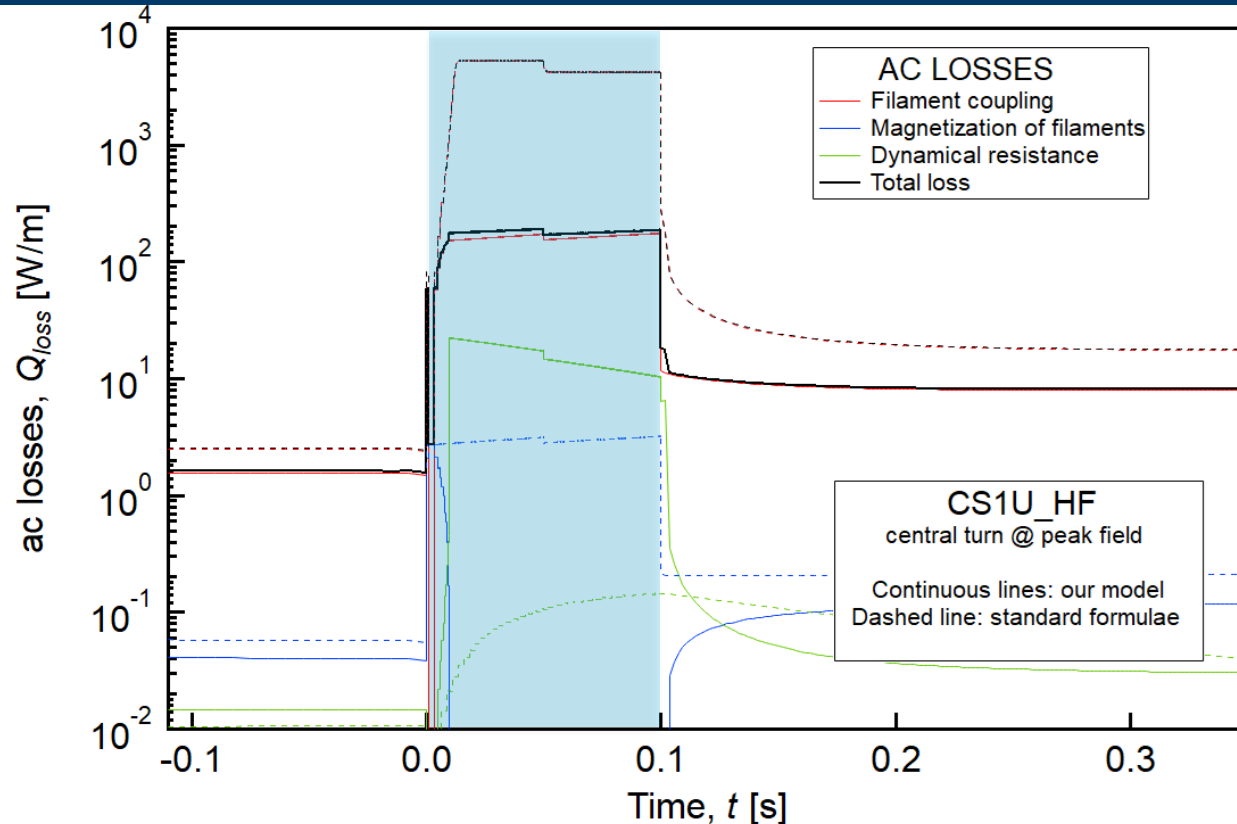
Coupling & magnetization

- AC losses tend to top-off to a maximum value $\propto (1-i^2)$
- Decrease of coupling (\approx **-46%**) and magnetization (\approx **-9%**) losses

Dynamic resistance

At high $\partial_t B$, a dynamic resistance appears against the transport current flow, causing a large increase in AC loss $\sim \propto i^2$: **+400%**!

AC Losses in CS1U_HF During Breakdown



During **breakdown**, where $\partial_t B$ peaks at **9.7 T/s**, full saturation of strands occurs

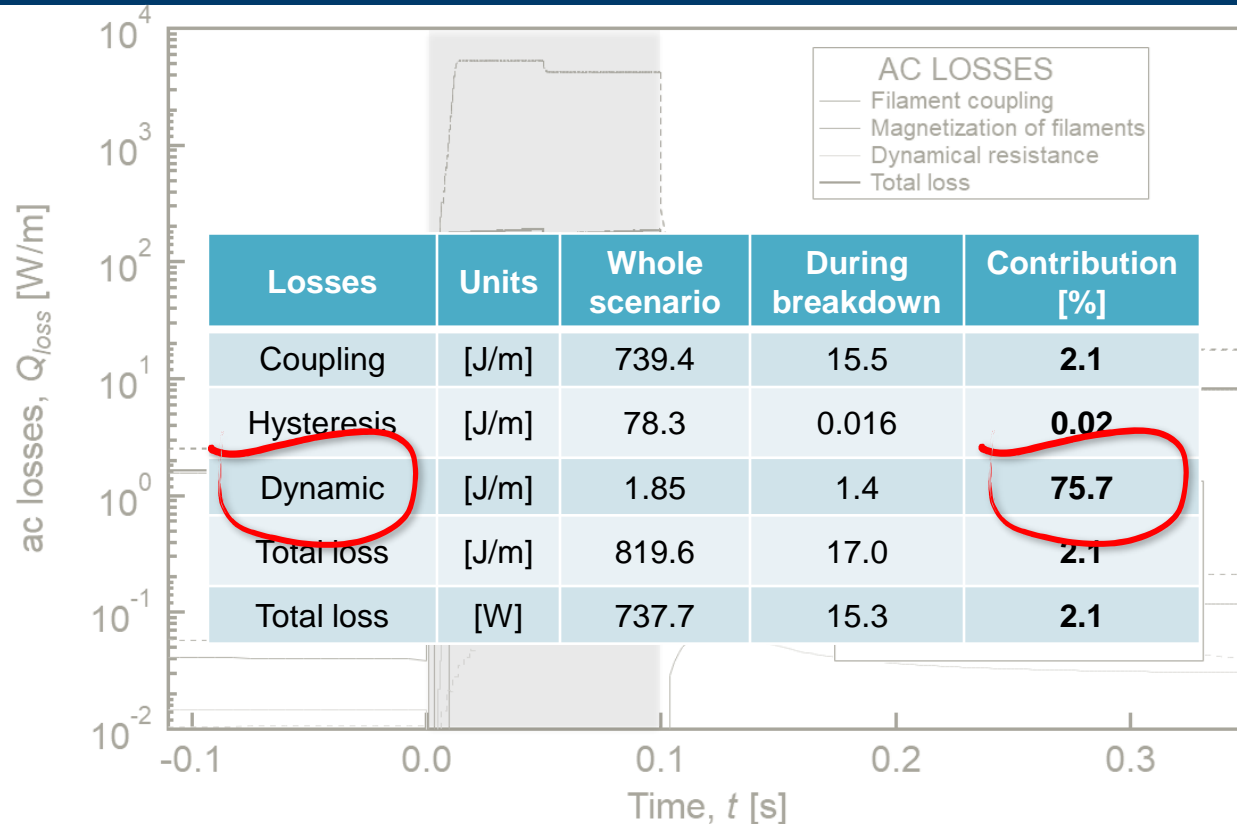
The strands behave like a solid conductor and a saturation effect takes place in both the magnetization and the ac losses.

$$\lim_{\dot{B} \rightarrow \infty} Q_c = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B_p \Delta B (1 - i^2)$$

$$\lim_{\dot{B} \rightarrow \infty} Q_h = 0$$

$$\lim_{\dot{B} \rightarrow \infty} Q_d = \frac{1}{\mu_0} B_p \Delta B i^2$$

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Field-Rate Dependent $n\tau$ in CICC

- In multistage CICC there exist multiple induced currents loops with a broad range of time constants, affecting different volume fraction of the cable conductors

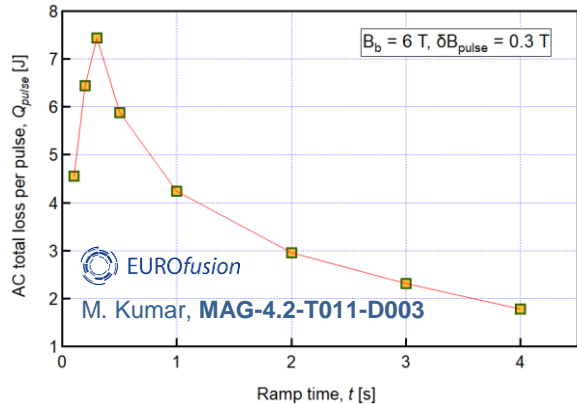
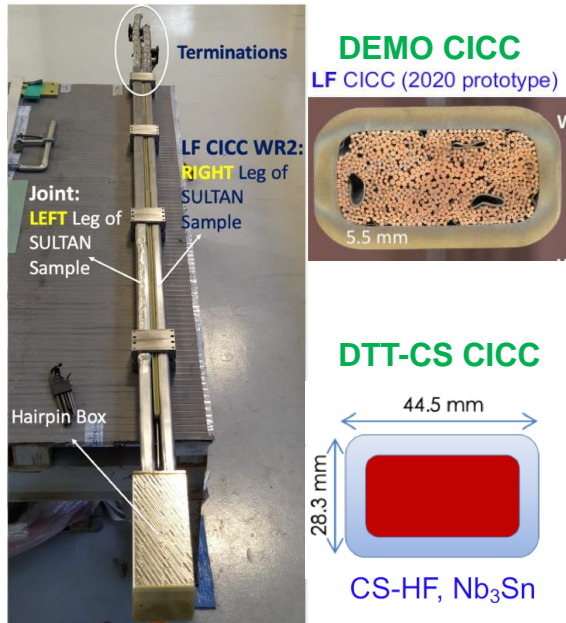
Bruzzone et al., IEEE TAS 16, 827 (2006); Bruzzone et al., FED 146, 928 (2019)

- Depending on the frequency, a dominant time constant can be picked up
 - During plasma initiation, the $n\tau$ of the CICC approaches the range of the free standing strands
 - Lower field changes (i.e., coil charge) are associated with higher $n\tau$ values
- A single, but field-rate dependent coupling time constant, $n\tau(\partial_t B)$, has been introduced in AC loss models

Experimental Assessment of $n\tau(\partial_t B)$

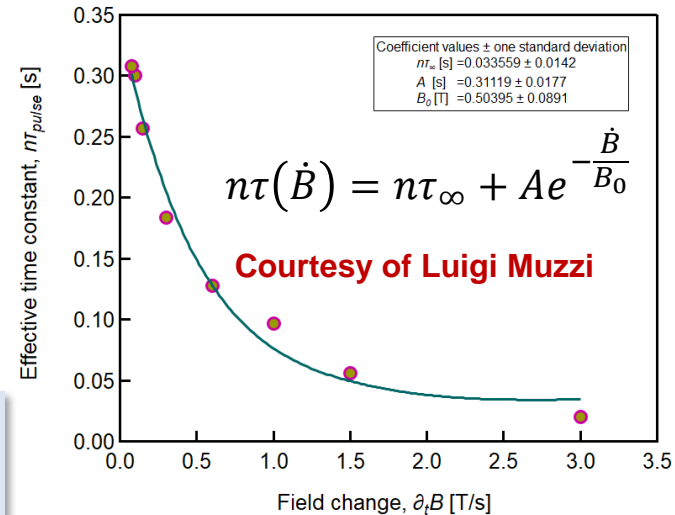
The behavior of $n\tau$ vs. $\partial_t B$ is based on the experimental results from recent SULTAN tests on the DEMO Low Field conductor (“WR2”), in which trapezoidal field pulses have been employed

For the procedure to obtain $n\tau_{pulse}$, please refer to P. Bruzzone *et al.*, FED 146, 928 (2019)



DEMO WR2 vs. CS-DTT-HF

- Similar layouts (rectangular, long twist pitch, low void fraction, SS wrapping)
- Different number of SC strands



L. Muzzi *et al.*, IEE TAS 31, 4201607 (2021)

FEM Analysis Using Commercial Software

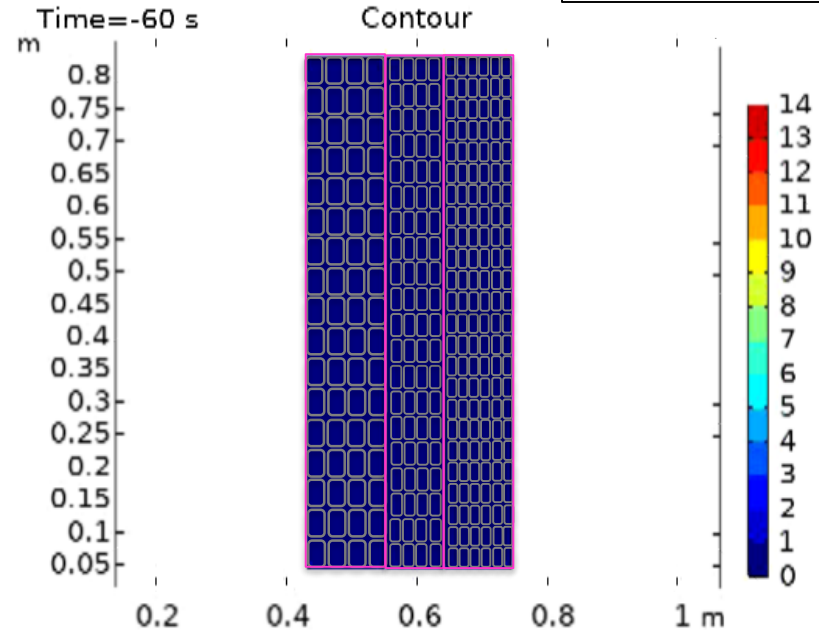
Two-step procedure:

1) Evaluation of the external field map

- 2D axisymmetric FE model
- *Magnetic Field (mf)* interface, **AC/DC Module**
- Coil feature: homogeneized multiturn conductors

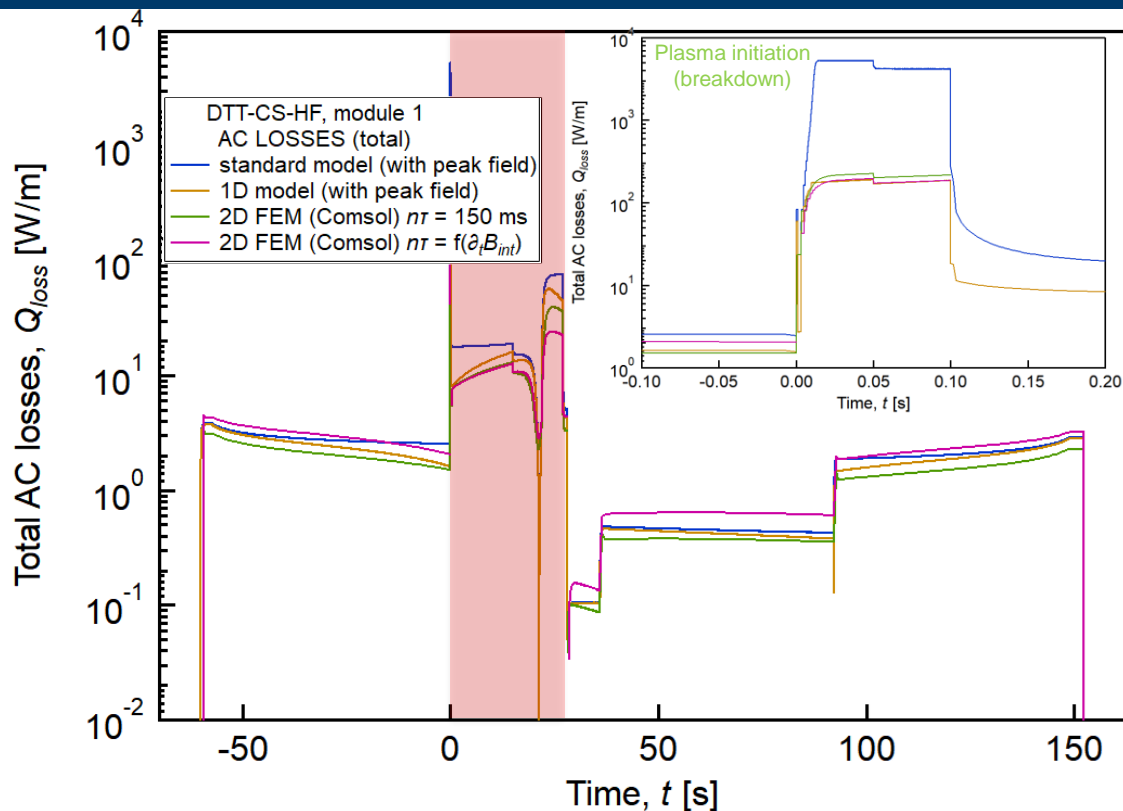
2) Evaluation of AC loss contributions

- *Coeff Form PDE* interface, **Math module**
- Time-dependent B_i map
- Calculation of Q_c , Q_h , Q_d (surface averages)

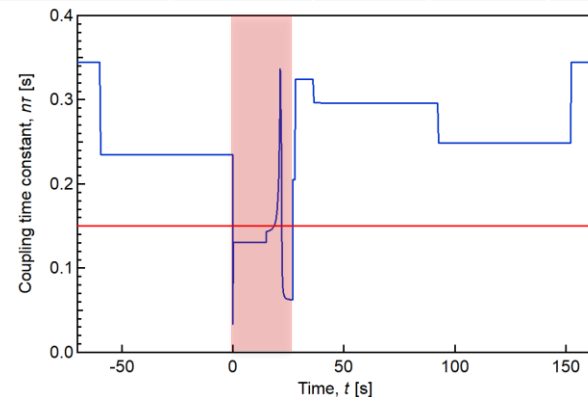


$$B_e - B = \frac{\tau \dot{B}}{1 + \frac{\tau |\dot{B}|}{B_p}}$$

Recap: AC Losses in CS1U Module, HF Sub-Module



Losses	$n\tau = 0.15$ s			$n\tau = f(\partial_t B)$
	<i>Ries</i>	<i>1 turn</i>	<i>FEM</i>	<i>FEM</i>
Coupling [J/m]	1357.2	739.4	584.5	639.9
Hysteresis [J/m]	88.7	78.3	76.9	73.6
Dynamic [J/m]	0.72	1.85	4.52	0.41
Total loss [J/m]	1446.6	819.6	665.9	713.9
Total loss [W]	1302.1	737.7	599.4	642.6



Future Directions

The **qualification phase** of the DTT CICC procurements will provide the information for the final choice of the 7 cable layouts

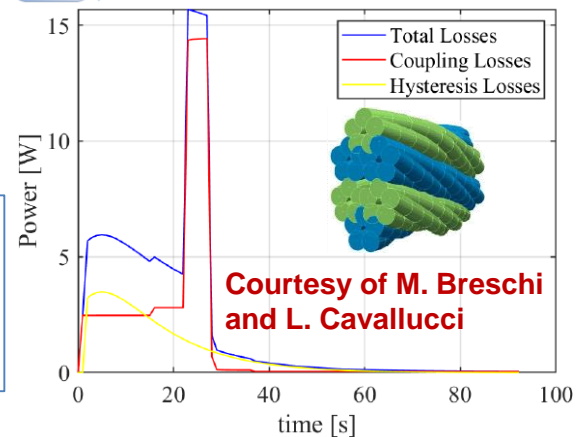
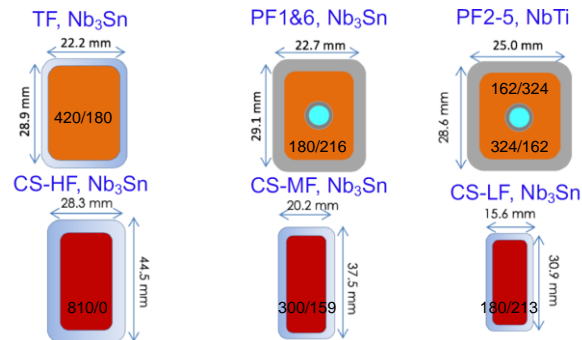
- Twist pitch cabling sequence; *e.m.* cyclic loading; ε_{eff}
- **Coupling time constant $n\tau$**
- Pressure drop, *MQE* tests and T_{cs}

TF Sample manufacturing
scheduled Nov. 2021

The outcome will constitute a test bed for model validation

- Analytical model - Unipolar trapezoidal pulses ($\Delta B = 0.3$ T; $t_0 = 0.1$ to 4 s)
- Numerical model - Sinusoidal pulsing (128 ms, 600 V max)

AC loss model as input tool for thermo-hydraulic analyses (PoliTo)
THELMA numerical model based on σ [S/m²] between cable elements - on going activity (UniBo)



Conclusion

- Proposed a novel model for the calculation of AC losses due to fast varying fields
 - ✓ Analytical solution of the Osagawara equation
 - ✓ Coupling, magnetization, and dynamic resistance
- Model applied to a Central Solenoid module of a Tokamak device (DTT):
 - ✓ Evaluated AC losses on central turn at peak field
 - ✓ Developed 2D FE model with variable $n\tau$
- Future directions: model validation
 - SULTAN tests with trapezoidal ramps
 - Benchmark with other approaches (UniBo)
 - Other off-normal scenario still to be analyzed, with special reference to quench and disruptions

Thank You
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