

Overview of Magnet Test Activities at CERN

M. Buzio on behalf of the Test & Measurement team



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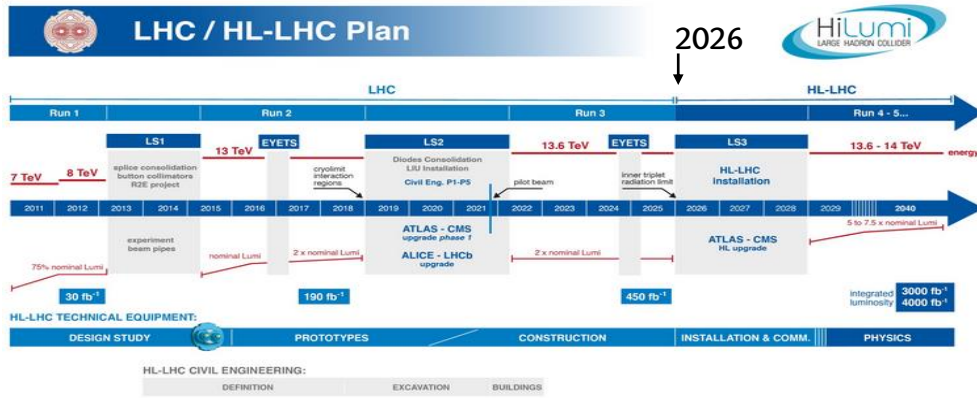
Team, Projects, Infrastructure

The Team

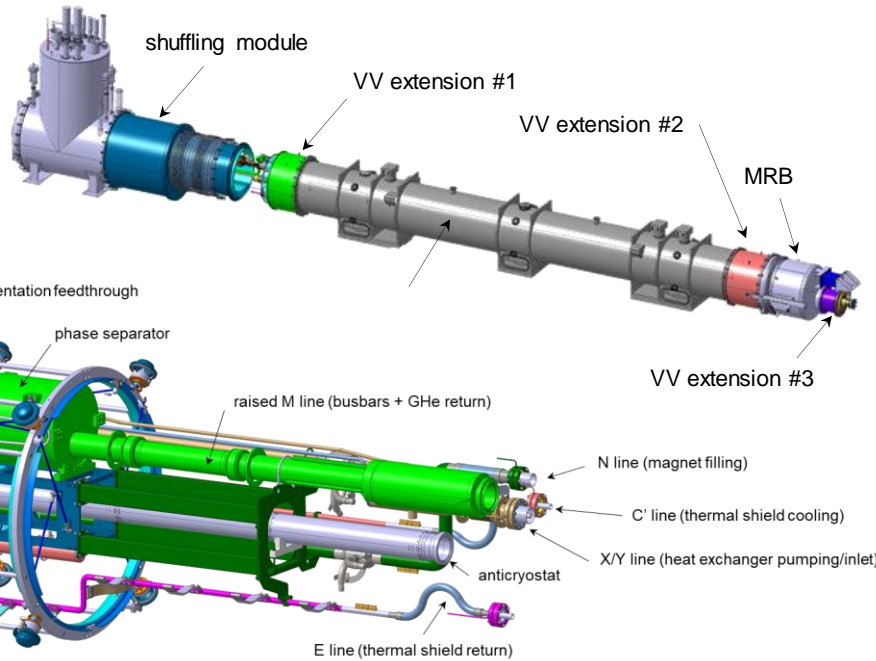
- SM18 (superconducting test station) and magnetic measurement teams merged in 2020
- Now 45 strong (20 staff, 17 students, 8 associates and industrial support)
- Slowed-down but not stopped by Covid 19 !



High-Luminosity LHC



<https://espace.cern.ch/HiLumi>



currently under test: MQXFB Q2 P3, D2 prototype



Carpenter test logbook

- Oracle DB interface via OpenShift, developed in PHP on Laravel framework
- Used for all cryomagnet tests in SM18 for safety, QA and result visualization

Testplan Logbook for MQXF BP2 in A1

Testplan General Information

Magnet owner: Susana IZQUIERDO BERMUDEZ
 Test engineer: Franco Julio MANGIAROTTI
 Test operator: Gaëlle NINET

Testplan Activities/Events Information

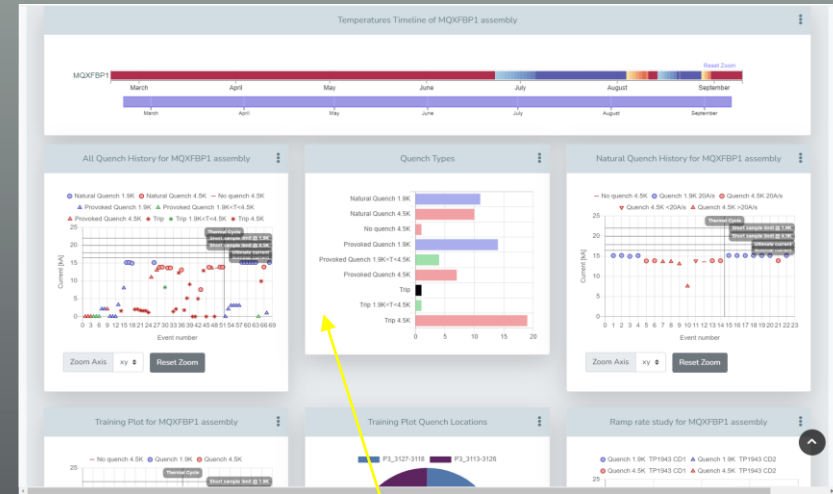
Cooldown #1

- 04/01/2021 11:05:52 **Cryo magnet reception (MTF)**
SMA18 -- Bertrand Jacques MOUCHES
Accepted -- Bertrand Jacques MOUCHES
- 06/01/2021 11:06:28 **Equipment installation**
AC. alignment .isolation des lignes M2 M3 X et N. -- Bertrand Jacques MOUCHES
- 12/01/2021 10:00:18 **Continuity**
Lien : GIWorkspaces\mmatest\Test results and reports\1.HORIZONTAL\Quadrupole Individually powered\Q2 - MQXF\QXF_PROTO\2.3.TESTS Nom du fichier : Continuity_MQXF BP2 -- Raphael BOUVIER
Accepted -- Raphael BOUVIER
- 13/01/2021 11:11:21 **Equipment installation**
AC, MRB, Soufflet, Rallonge, Ligne Y. Il y avait des problèmes sur connecter boîte IFS et connexion fibre -- Franco Julio MANGIAROTTI
Accepted -- Franco Julio MANGIAROTTI
- 14/01/2021 16:53:52 **Installation on bench**
-- Bertrand Jacques MOUCHES
Accepted -- Bertrand Jacques MOUCHES
- 20/01/2021 10:15:14 **Electrical insulation test**
MQXF002 Warm Initial not connected @292K @A1 by Vincent/Raphael. File name: MQXF002 Warm Initial not connected.xml -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
Accepted -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
- 20/01/2021 14:39:08 **AC or NOAC registration**
Only one aperture, new anticryostat. -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
Accepted -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
- 20/01/2021 14:41:07 **MTF AC or NOAC registration**
Only one aperture, new anticryostat. -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
Accepted -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
- 20/01/2021 14:41:47 **Check IFS**
IFS boxes has been reversed and then modified in order to give spaces for connectors. -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
Accepted -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
- 20/01/2021 16:12:18 **Electrical insulation test MANUAL**
Only manual tests have been done before connection (see results of the HV test). -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
Accepted -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
- 20/01/2021 16:16:30 **Magnet alignment in bench**
-- Vincent DESBIOLLES
Accepted -- Vincent DESBIOLLES
- 21/01/2021 08:55:38 **Electric connection**
-- Raphael BOUVIER
Accepted -- Raphael BOUVIER
- 21/01/2021 11:16:12 **Manual clamp vtap measurement**
-- Raphael BOUVIER
Accepted -- Raphael BOUVIER
- 21/01/2021 15:30:03 **Hydraulic connection**
-- Raphael BOUVIER
Accepted -- Raphael BOUVIER
- 22/01/2021 16:00:19 **Config potaim cards**
-- Raphael BOUVIER
Accepted -- Raphael BOUVIER
- 25/01/2021 11:00:23 **Connect anticryostat**
-- Raphael BOUVIER
Accepted -- Raphael BOUVIER
- 26/01/2021 10:00:59 **Event on Data acquisition**
Nous avons un problème avec l'éditeur de fichier LF DAQ gen3. Il nous est impossible de modifier les templates afin de pouvoir mettre les deux nouvelles courbes de calibrations des sondes de températures Cernox associées à ce quadrupole QXF. Hubert investigate sur ce problème. Cela ne nous gêne pas pour l'instant mais nous ne pouvons pas lancer le cooldown Cryo tant que le problème persiste. -- Raphael BOUVIER

Current test status and responsible engineers clearly marked

Status, date/time and operator in charge of each step appear in the test chronology

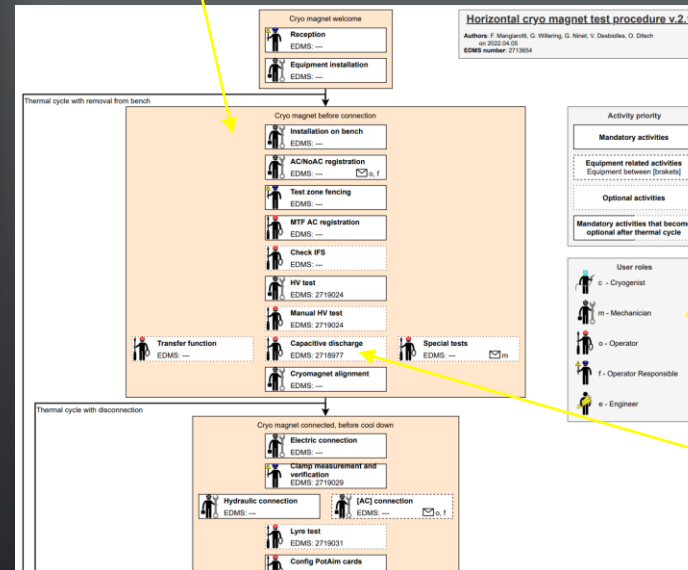
Levels and sequence of tests conform to fixed templates



Standardized stats and plots include timeline of temperature, current etc.

Different user roles for each step

Each step linked to formally approved procedure documents and checklists

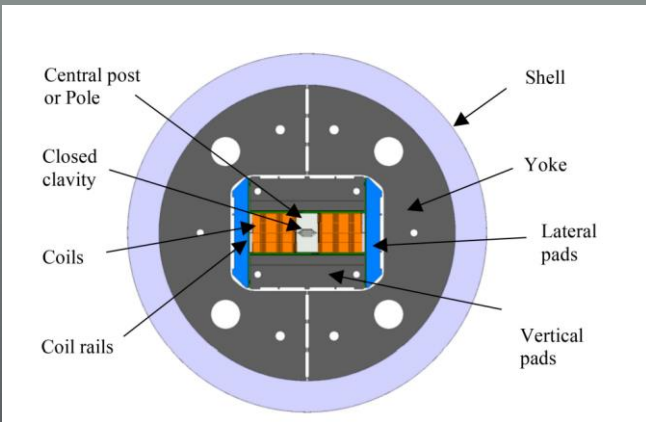


Credit: F. Mangiarotti

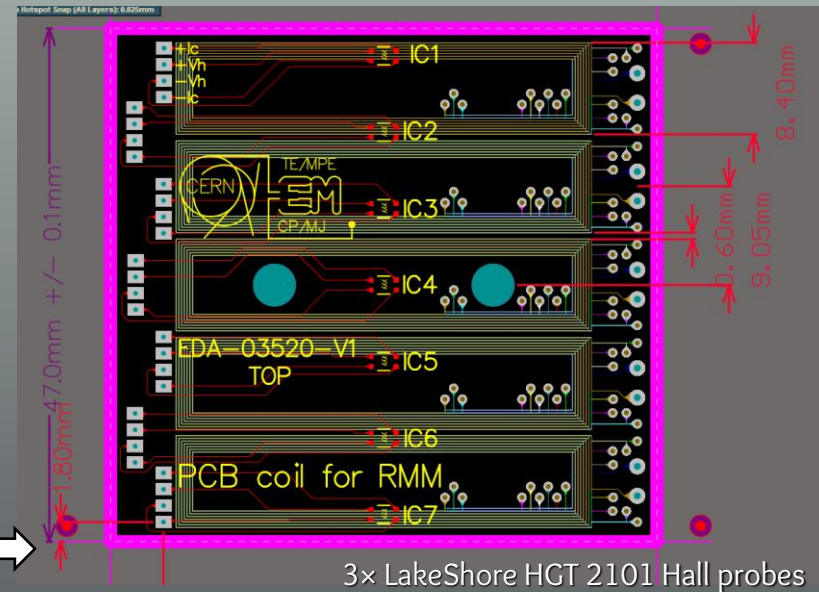
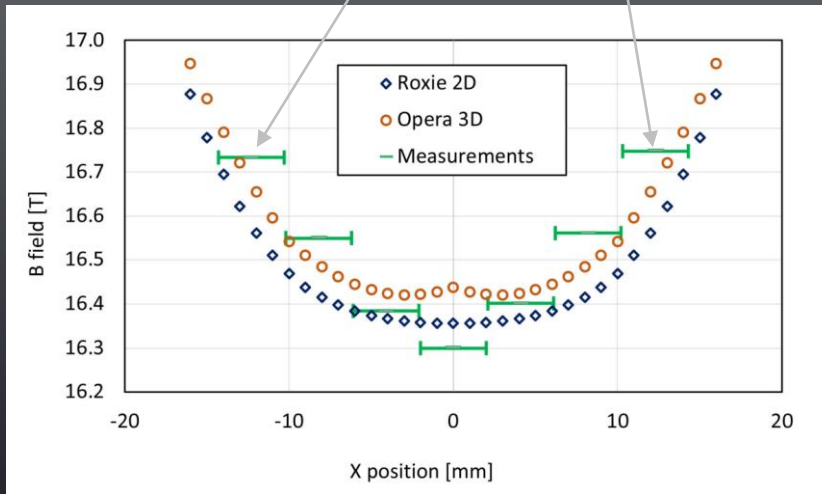
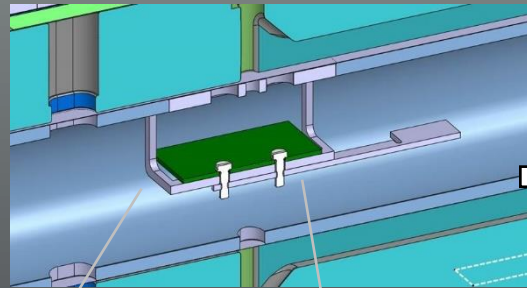


High Field Magnets for the Future Circular Collider

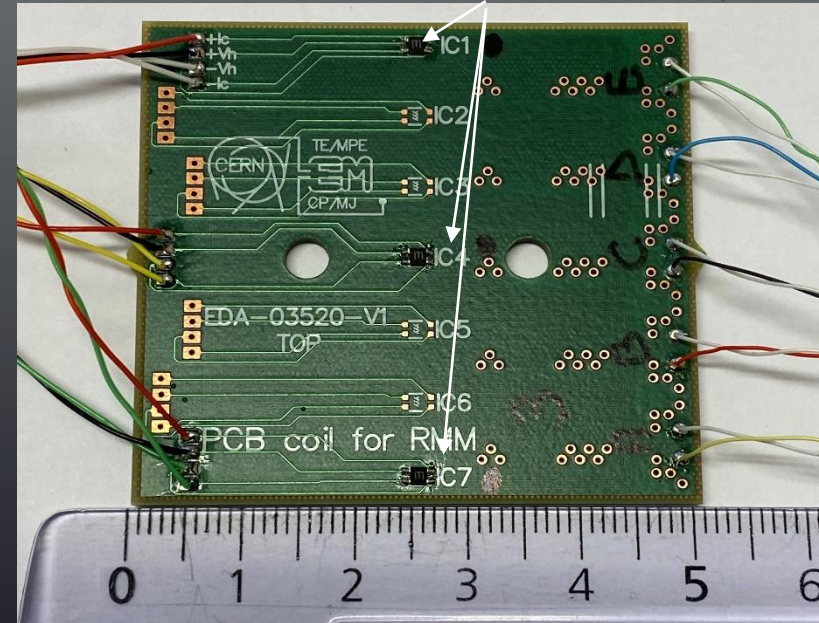
- Enhanced Nb₃Sn racetrack model coil eRMS
- 16.5 T peak field @ 13.8 kA, 1.9 K



5xtransversal coil array PCB in the middle of the gap



3x LakeShore HGT 2101 Hall probes



J C Perez, C. Petrone *et al*, "Construction and Test of the Enhanced Racetrack Model Coil", IEEE Trans. on Appl. Supercond. Vol 32 n. 6,

GSI/FAIR - SuperFRS

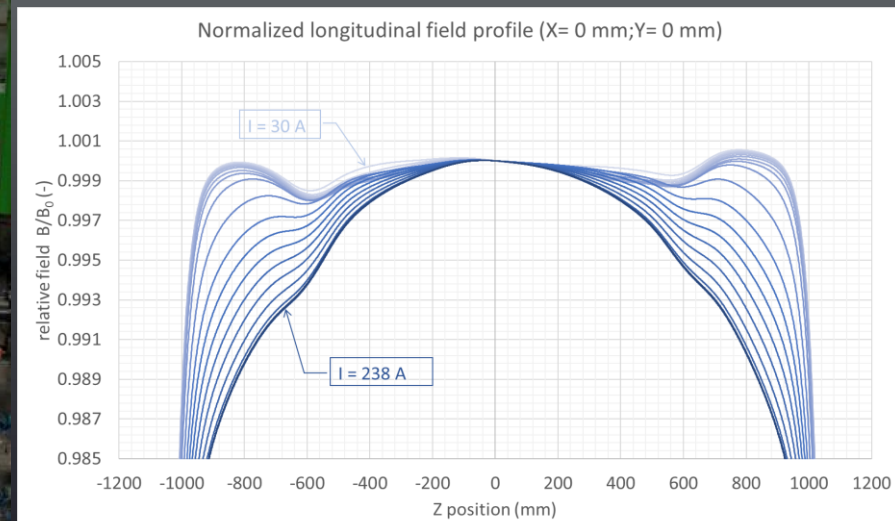
- 26 multiplets (ASG, 170 magnets), $\varnothing 192$ mm warm bore, tested with rotating coil scanner/SSW
- 24 bending dipoles (Elytt), super-ferric with supercritical He cooling, 380×180 mm² warm bore, tested with translating fluxmeter/SSW
- 3 reconfigurable benches ready in b. 181
- Test campaign now ramping up ...



First short multiples being tested with SSW



First main bending dipole being tested with translating fluxmeter



Credit: P. Kosek

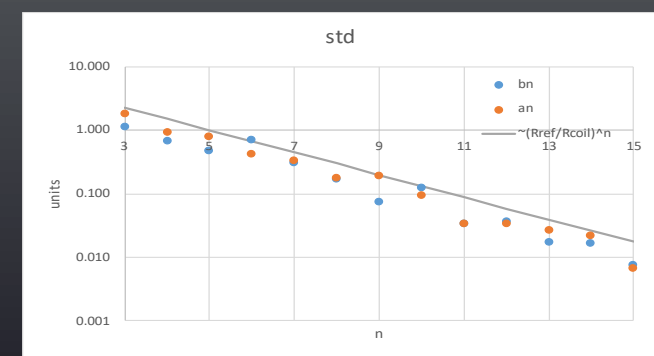
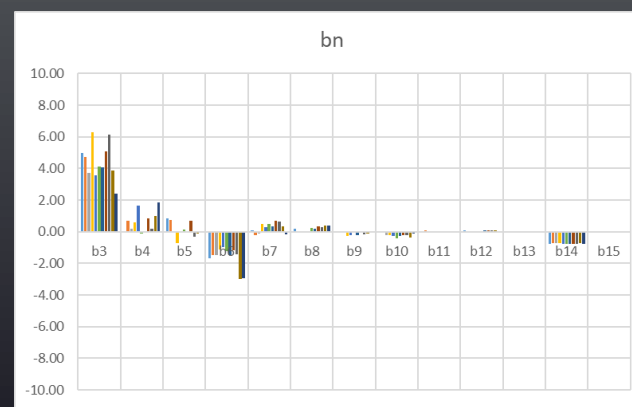
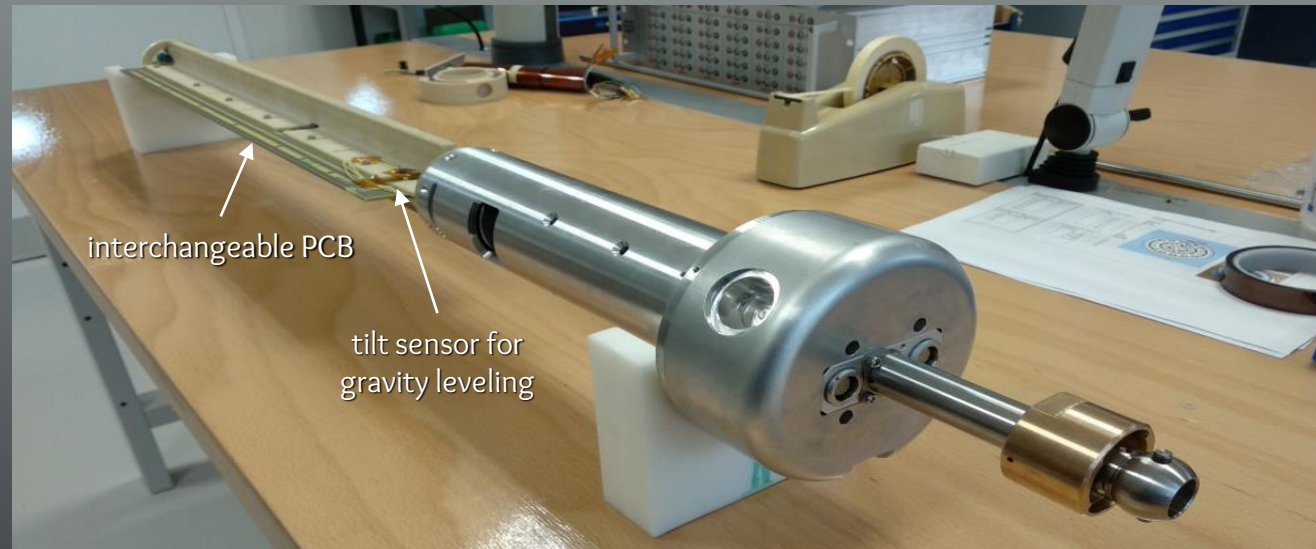
Part II

Instrumentation

Highlights

Warm rotating coil scanner

- 600 mm long, interchangeable PCB design for bores \varnothing 90 to 150 mm
- Measurement of warm HL-LHC MQXFB magnets @ 10 A, 4.4 mT @ 50 mm
- 3 units at CERN + 1 deployed to CIEMAT



Credit: P. Rogacki, L. Fiscarelli

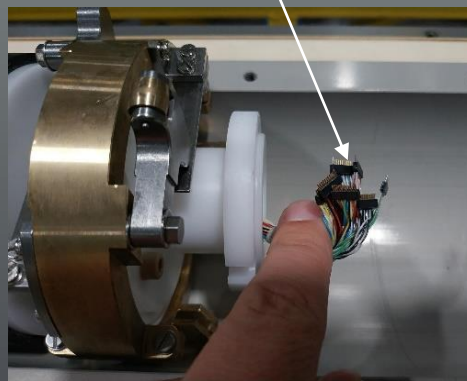
Long rotating coil shafts

- 4 × Ø109 mm, ~8 m long shafts being procured for HL-LHC magnets
- Prototype unit w/ PCB coil array sandwiched between high-precision C-fiber half-shells
- Good results, but price hikes and supply problems ...

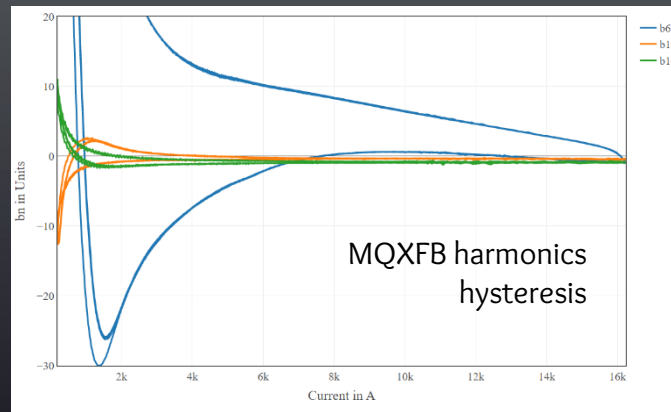
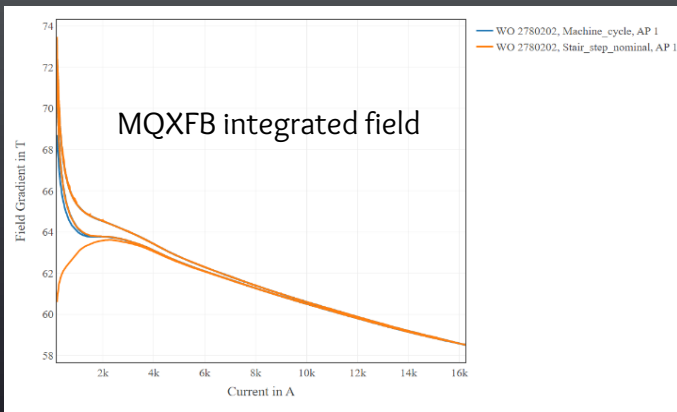


Double C-fiber half-shells for torsional and flexural stiffness
1.4 m long
~50 µm tolerance

6 micro-connections per segment

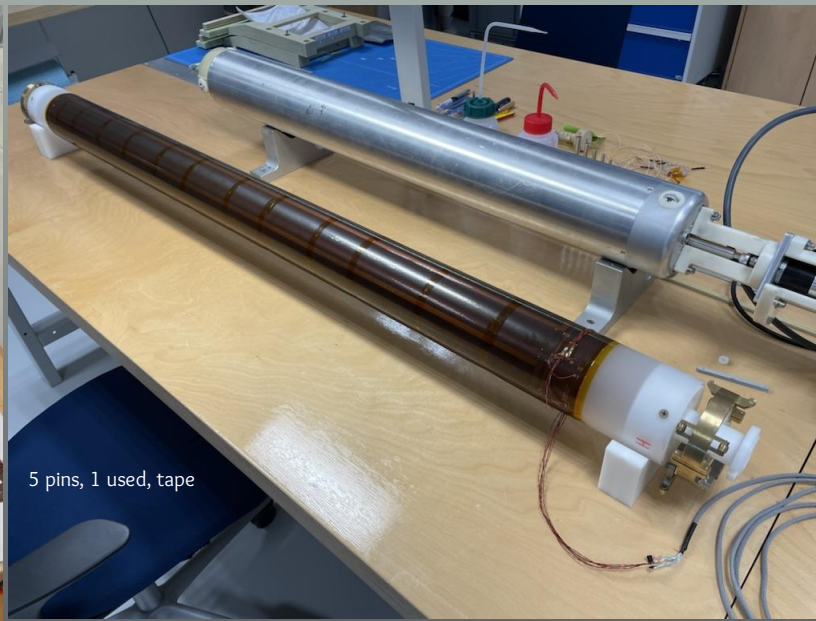
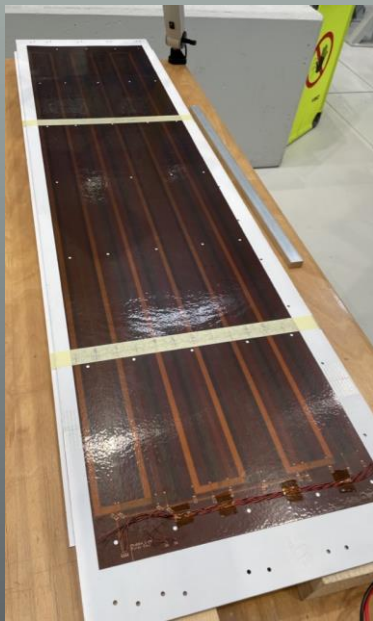


50-channel Mobile Rotation Unit
Sliding tracks
Shaft prolongation (no coils)

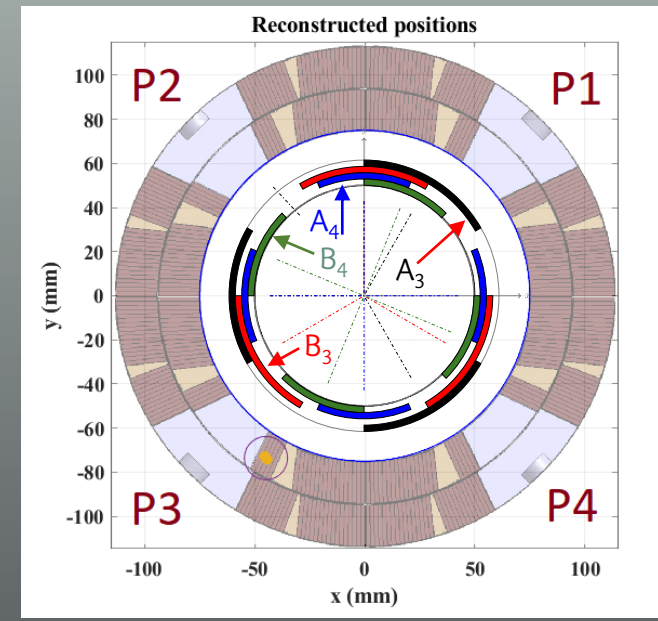


Credit: R. Beltron, O. Dunkel, G. Deferne, L. Fiscarelli

Ø110 mm Quench Antenna



5 pins, 1 used, tape

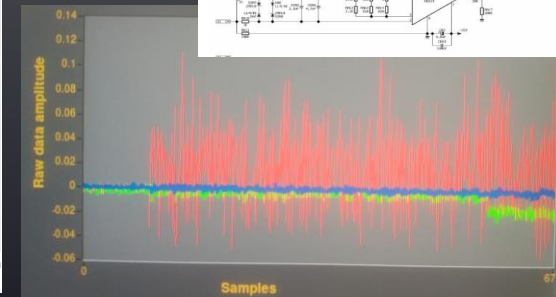
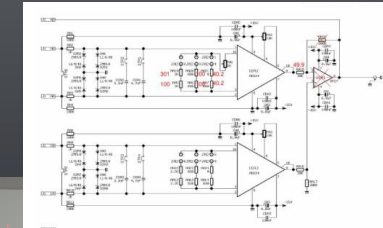
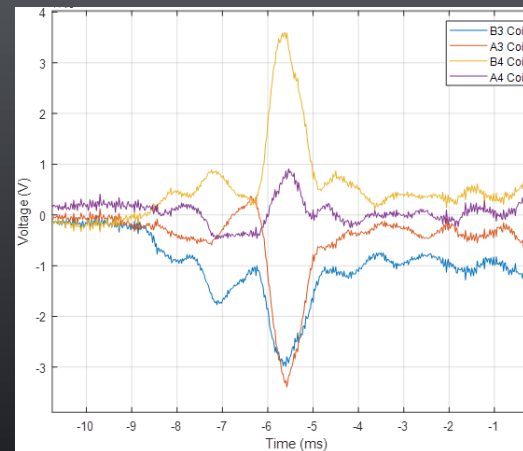


2 × double-layer flexi PCB glued together,
4 × 16-turn tangential coils per layer

Ø100 mm, 0.6 long antenna segment

Quench reconstruction resolution:
- tangential: 5°
- radial: 5 mm

- 12-segment quench antenna designed to improve quench localization in critical MQXF quads
- New design: rolled-up flexi PCB
- On-board analog bucking → B₃, A₃, B₄, A₄ outputs
- Extremely easy to assemble/disassemble
- Bypass of analog-bucking op-amp on existing amplifier cards (G=100 to 500)
- Z_{in} adapted to compensate the capacitive load of long coax cables
- 10× S/N improvement !



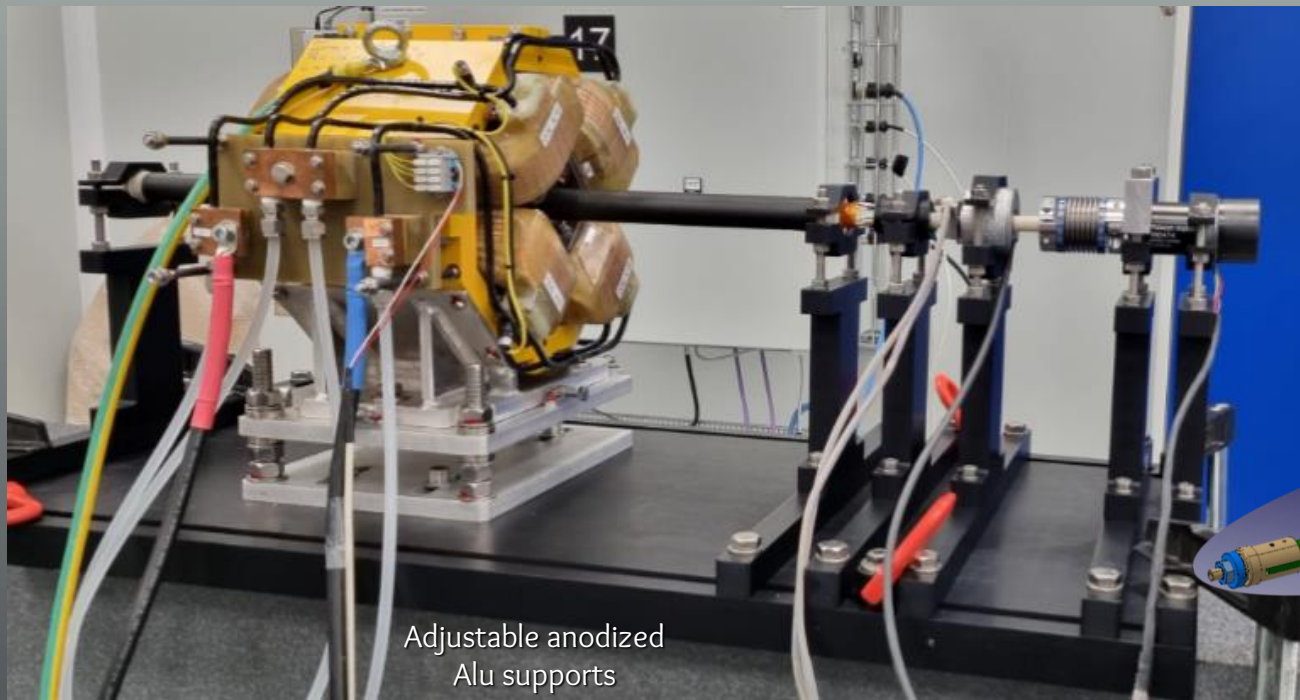
Credit: J. Kaeske, P. Rogacki, V. Di Capua, R. Beltron, L. Fiscarelli

Small-diameter rotating coils for INFN-LNF's EuPRAXIA

Ceramic ball bearings

Low-cost Ø26 mm C-fiber tube (20 µm RMS tolerance)

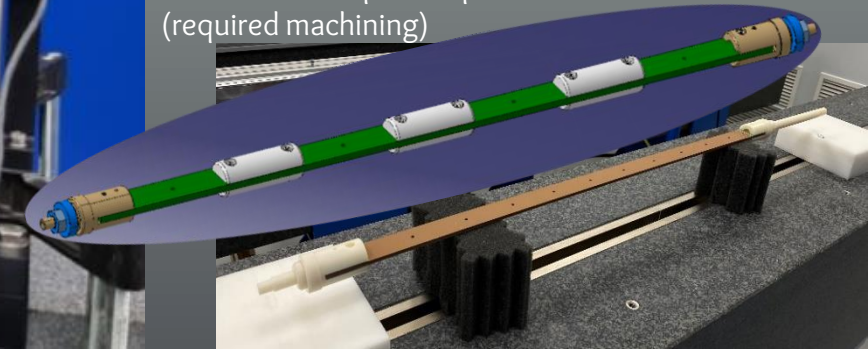
Maxon DC motor



Adjustable anodized
Alu supports

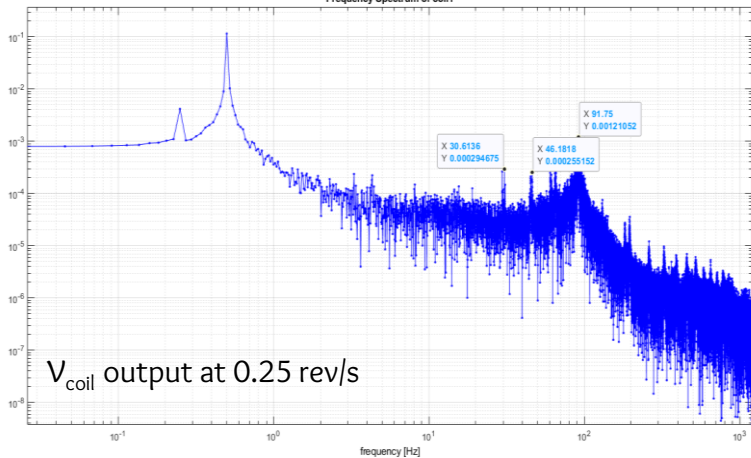


Accura 25® 3D-printed parts with 0.2 mm tolerance
(required machining)



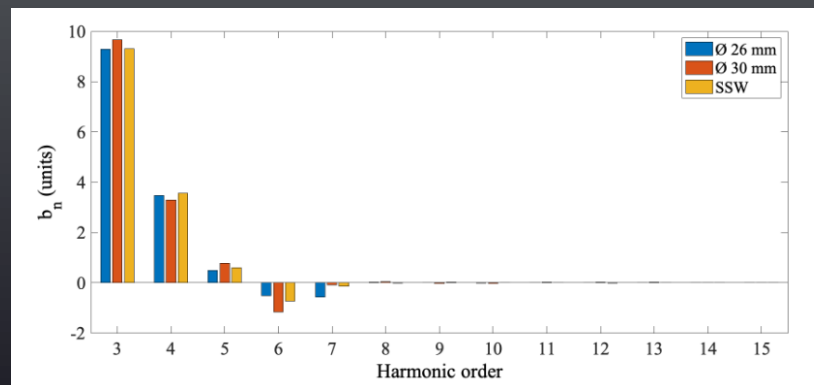
5×256-turn, 32-layer radial PCB coils
inserted and pinned in the C-fiber tube

Frequency Spectrum of coil1



V_{coil} output at 0.25 rev/s

Harmonic torsional vibrations @ 4, 8, 15, 30 Hz
visible in the outermost coil signal (< 1%)

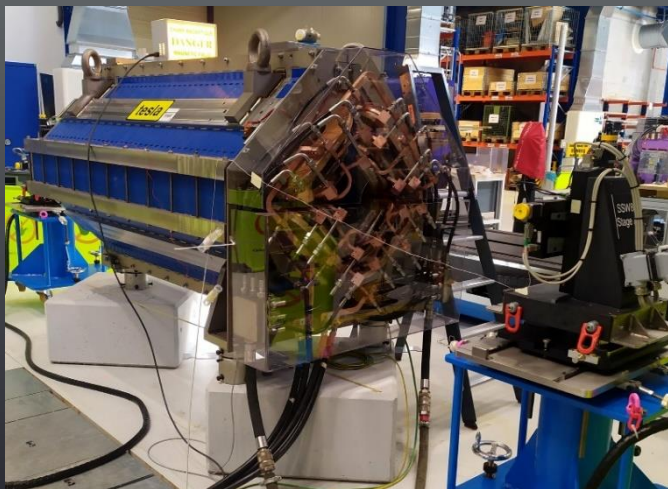
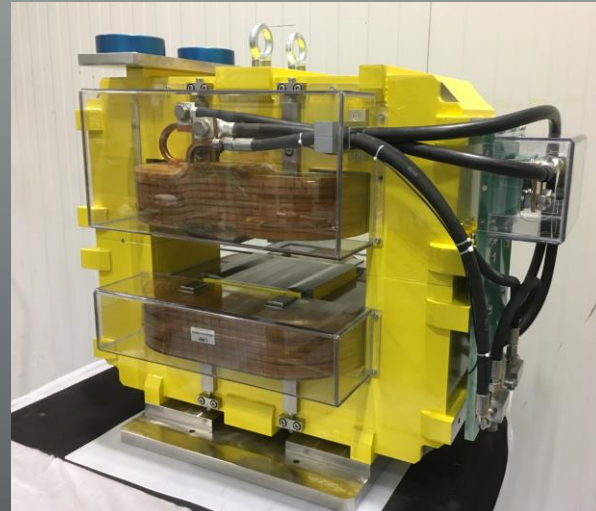
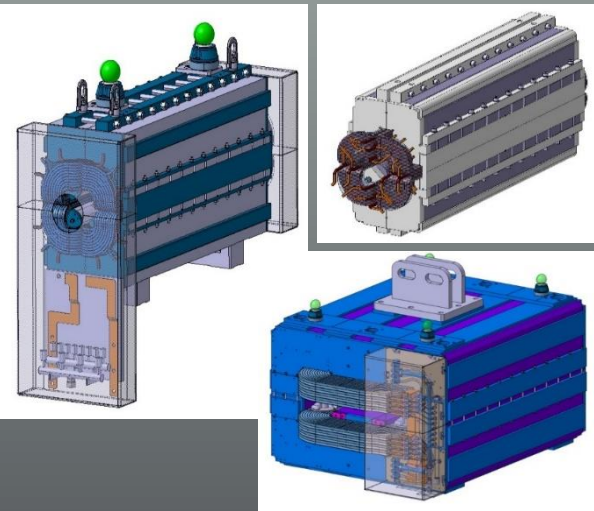


<0.5 units RMS @ 10 mm
low-order differences w.r.t.
other instruments

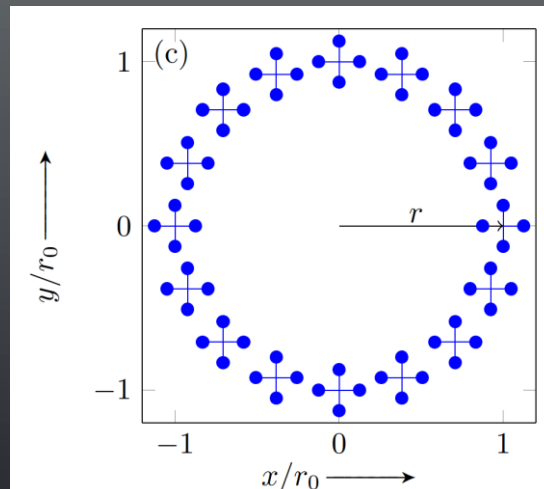
Credit: A. Lauria, M. Pentella

Rotating DC mode SSW

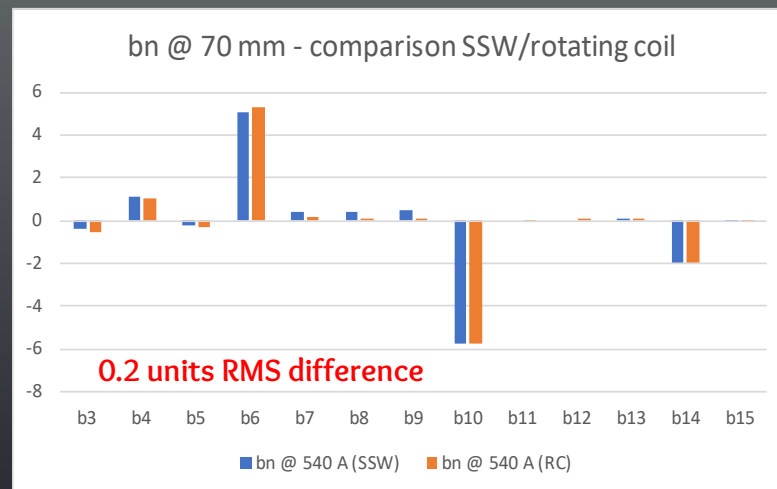
- 58 new/refurbished magnets for fixed-target East Area measured over ~one year
- Extensive use of SSW for integral harmonics



Ø70 mm quads used for cross-validation



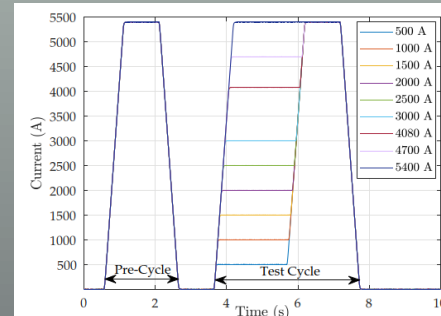
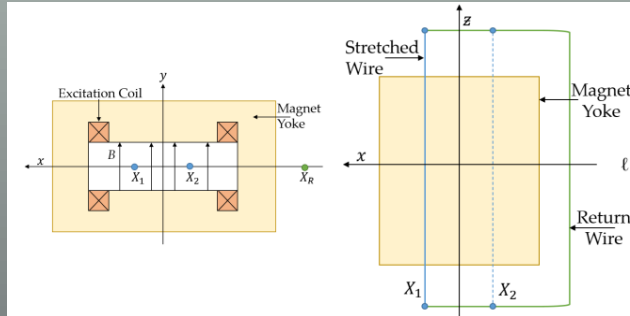
up to 128 × 3 mm × 3 mm
standard DC SSW measurements



Harmonics fitted to actual flux spanned

Credit: R. Chritin, C. Petrone, P. Rogacki

Pulsed excitation mode SSW



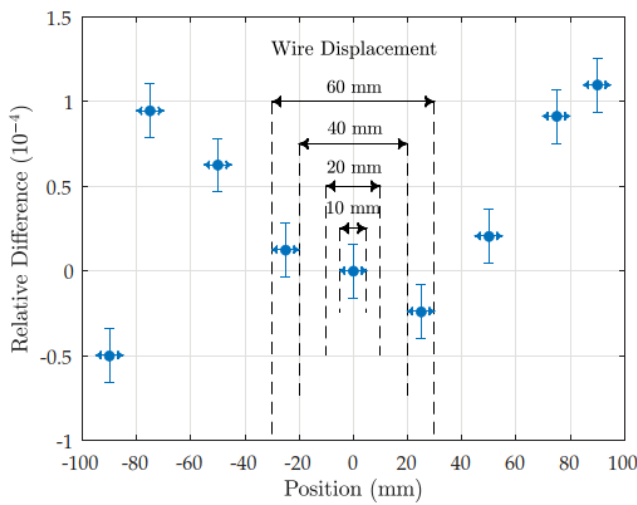
Pulsed-mode flux integration in PS Booster main dipoles

50-ppm excitation current reproducibility

$$\Delta\Phi_D(X, I_0, I) = \Phi(X, I) - \Phi(X, I_0) = \int_{-\frac{\ell}{2}}^{+\frac{\ell}{2}} \int_{X_R}^X [B_y(x, z, I) - B_y(x, z, I_0)] dx dz = \int_{I_0}^I V_c(\tau) d\tau$$

Create a 1-turn virtual coil by subtracting measurements at different wire positions

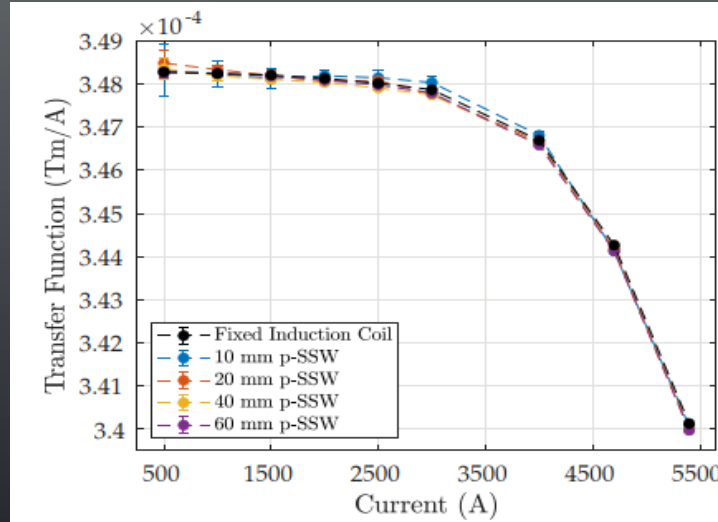
$$\Phi_{\text{Coil}}(X_1, X_2, I) = \Delta\Phi_S(X_1, X_2, I_0) + \Delta\Phi_D(X_1, I_0, I) - \Delta\Phi_D(X_2, I_0, I)$$



Standard static SSW measurement added in to recover initial level at I_0

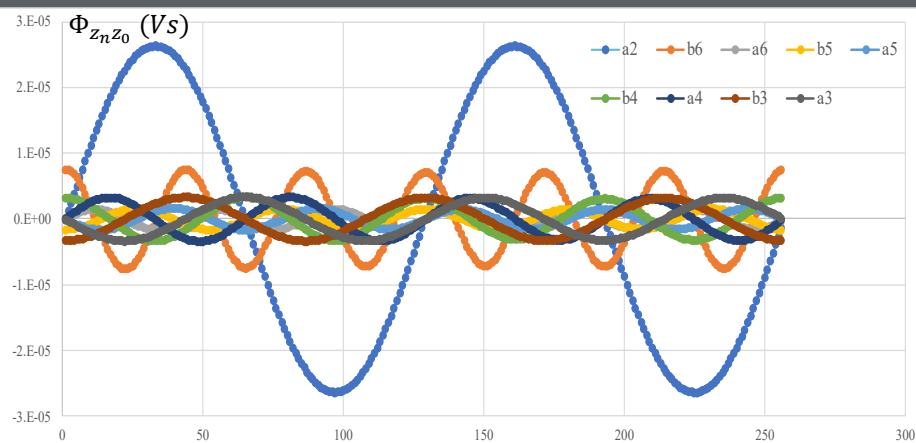
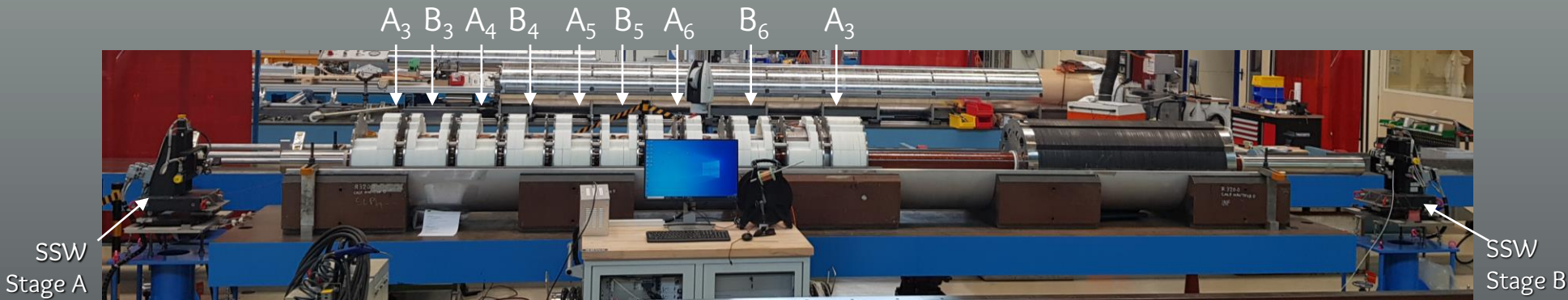
200 ppm RMS difference vs. fixed integral coil

Wire offset $X_2 - X_1$: trade-off between higher S/N and effect of B_z

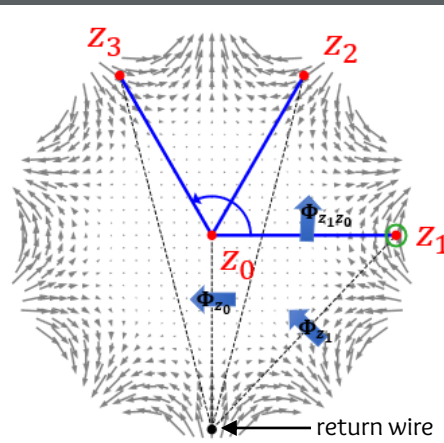


AC excitation mode SSW

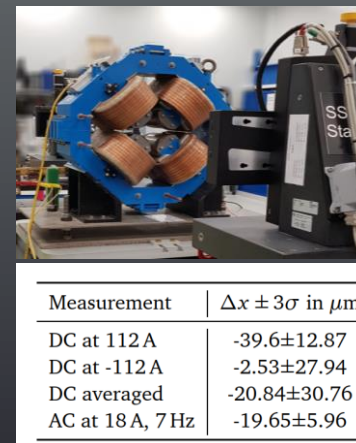
- Goal: warm check of axis/field direction in HL-LHC corrector package MXBXFA
- Stepwise circular wire movement to mimic a radial search coil: $\Phi_{z_n z_0} = \Phi_{z_n} - \Phi_{z_0}$
- Analytical sag correction vs. longitudinal position
- Higher harmonics not precise enough → only measured when cold



Magnets excited sequentially @ 19 Hz
(compromise sensitivity/eddy current effects/available voltage)



N=1 central + 256 tangential
6-second acquisitions
(oversampling)



| Measurement | $\Delta x \pm 3\sigma$ in μm |
|------------------|---|
| DC at 112 A | -39.6±12.87 |
| DC at -112 A | -2.53±27.94 |
| DC averaged | -20.84±30.76 |
| AC at 18 A, 7 Hz | -19.65±5.96 |

$\alpha_{\text{roll}} \pm 3\sigma$ in mrad

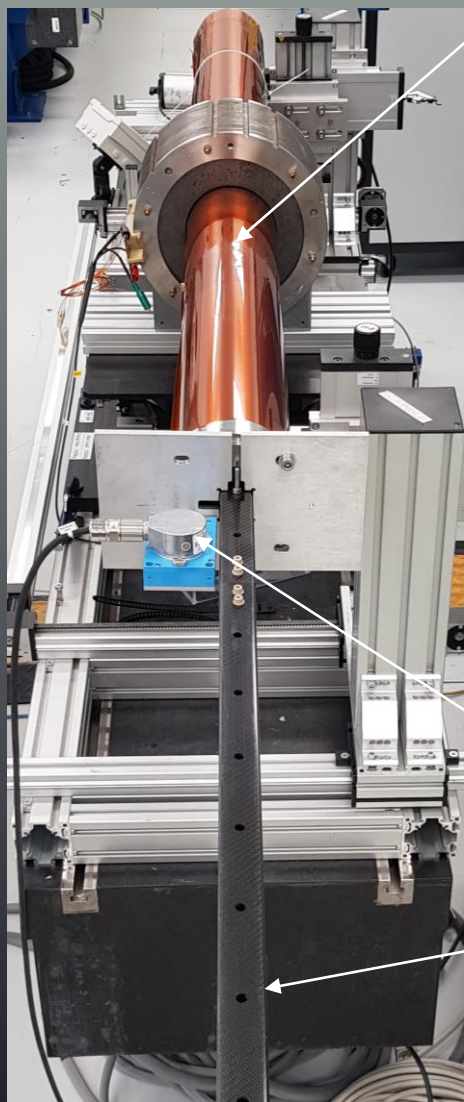
- 0.086±0.079
- 0.133±0.089
- 0.109±0.119
- 0.125±0.289

Validated vs. DC-SSW on NC quad

Credit: E. Dalane, C. Petrone

Transversal Translating Fluxmeter

- Used for warm measurement of HL-LHC correctors
- Flux measurement taken on-the-fly



C-fiber guiding tube

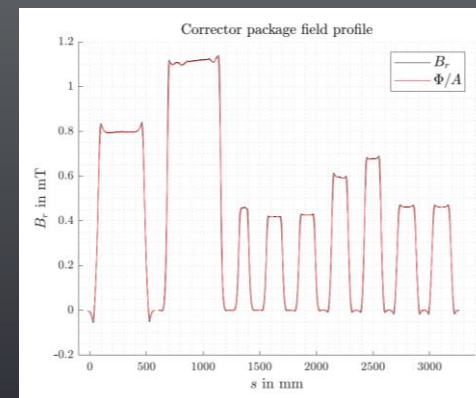
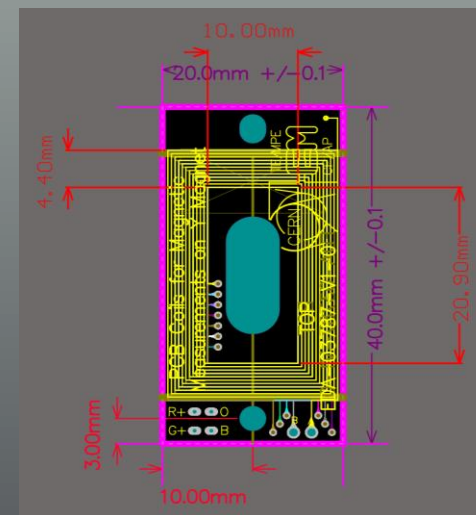
12x30° 160-turn,
16-layer PCB coils

One additional coil shifted by 15° / 30 mm
to improve pitch/yaw misalignment

Prototype Accura 25®
3D-printed head

Sick® PFG08
wire draw encoder
(14 μm resolution,
300 μm reproducibility)

C-fiber moving rod
and guiding tube
(square !)



Longitudinal field profile of individual correctors in HL-LHC CP
(deconvolved with coil sensitivity kernel)
Localization accuracy << target 1 mm

Credit: E. Dalane, C. Petrone

Axial Translating Fluxmeter

- Goal: Quick in-situ measurement of field map/magnetic axis of 20 solenoids in the upcoming Antiproton Decelerator electron cooler
- SSW not possible (clearances, magnet cross-talk)
- Based on translating disc-shaped 8-layer PCB coil array

C Petrone et al., "Induction-coil measurement system for normal and superconducting solenoids", IEEE Trans. on Appl. Supercond. Vol 32, n. 6 Sept 2022

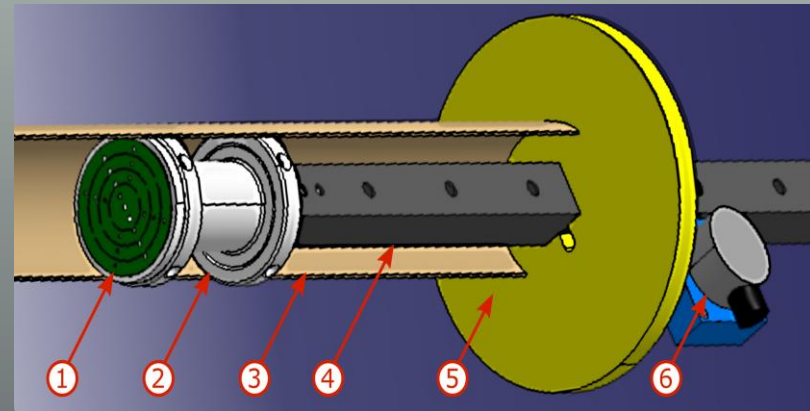
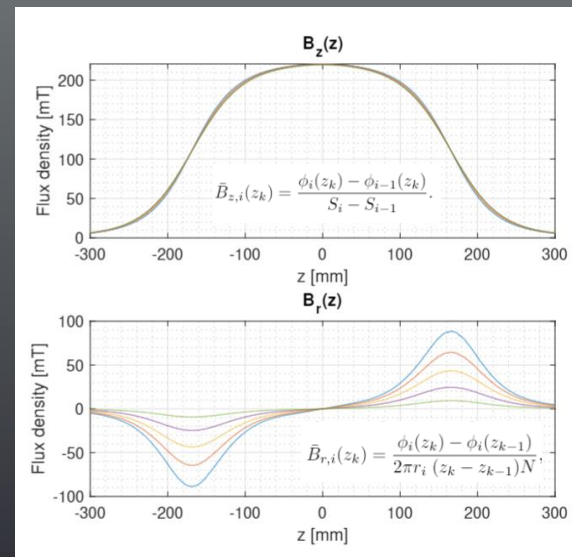
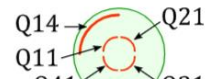
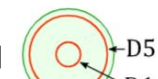


Fig. 3. Measurement system layout: (1) PCB coils, (2) Teflon PCB support and sledge, (3) guidance tube, (4) supporting arm, (5) anti-cryostat fixing plate, (6) linear encoder head.

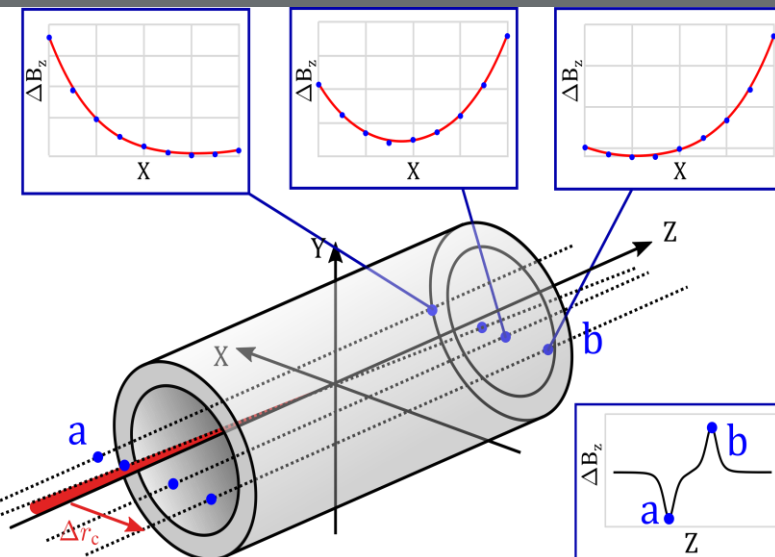


10 ppm field resolution

4×360° + 1 central, 6-turn concentric coils for axial and radial field profile

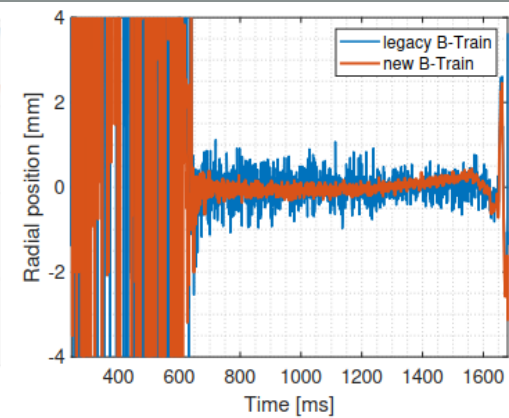
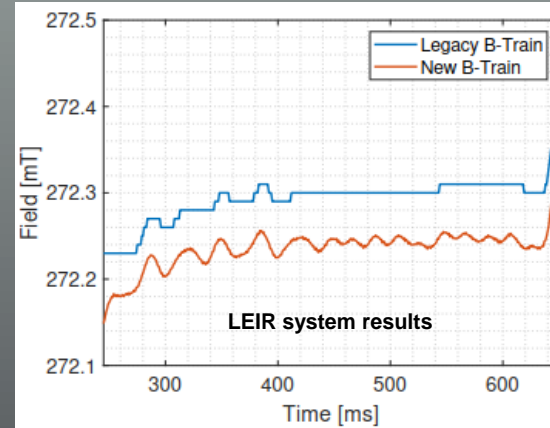
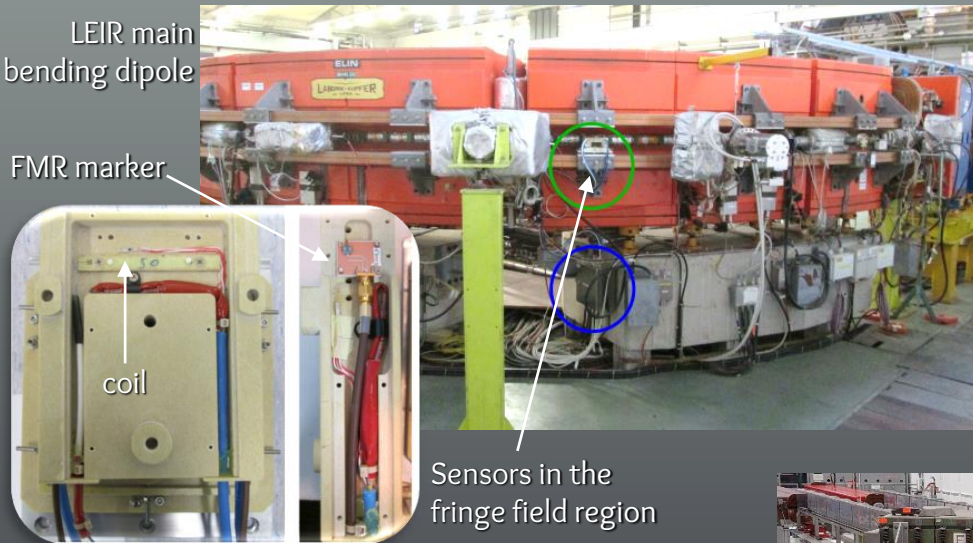


4×4×90°, 6-turn coils for magnetic axis localization



Real-time measurement systems

- 6 B-train measurement systems now operational in all normal-conducting CERN rings
- 250 kHz data rate, 30 μs latency, 2 μT resolution, $\sim 100 \mu\text{T}$ absolute accuracy
- Complex, many challenges, simplified systems for smaller scale applications under study



Credit: A. Beaumont, V. Di Capua, M. Pentella

Integrator drift cancellation with data fusion

- Problem: indefinitely long integration of fixed-coil output
- Kalman filtering for optimal estimation of the field in the presence of model (voltage offset V_0) + measurement noise
- Combining coil/Hall probe → three orders of magnitude improvement

Field = hidden state

Coil voltage = input variable

State-space model
$$x_k = B_k = B_{k-1} + \frac{1}{A_c} \frac{(v_k + v_{k-1})}{2} T_s$$

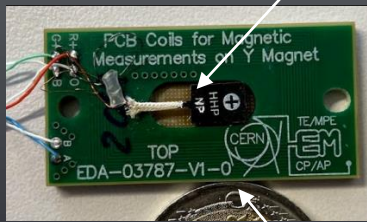
Case I: measurement = Hall probe

$$z_k = B_{H,k} = B_k + q_k$$

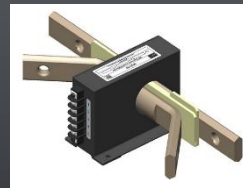
Case II: measurement = excitation current

$$z_k = \frac{I_k}{g} + q_k$$

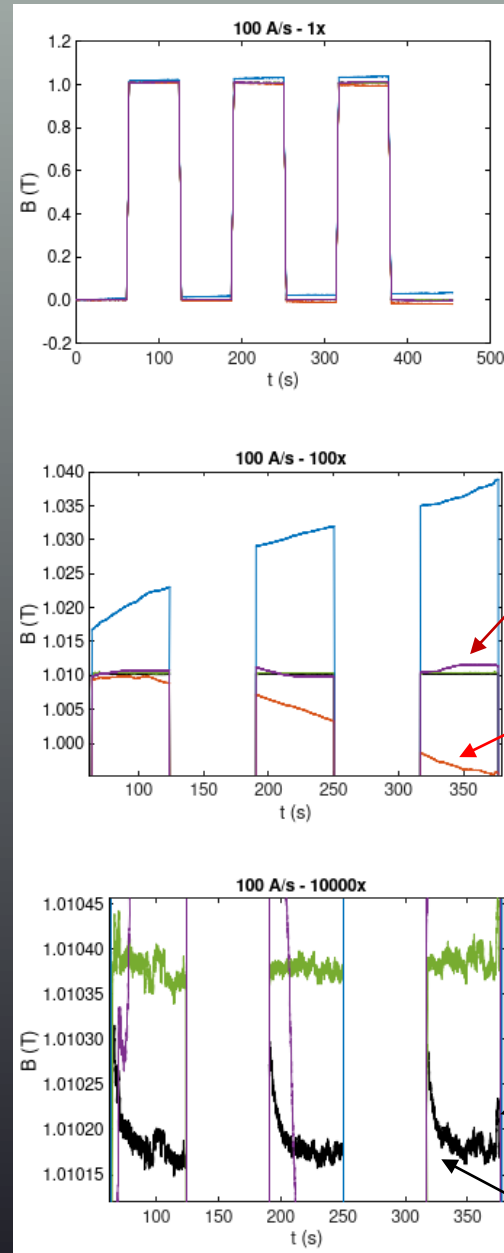
Areproc HHP-NP 2067 Hall Probe



594 cm² 160-turn 16-layer PCB coil



DCCT



Uncorrected drift
60 ppm/s

V_0 updated on plateaus
3 ppm/s

V_0 estimated 0–50 s
53 ppm/s

Kalman + exc. current
0.08 ppm/s

Kalman + Hall probe
0.03 ppm/s

Actual eddy current
decay transient

V. Di Capua, M. Pentella et al., "Drift-free integration in magnetic measurements achieved by data fusion", *Sensors* 2022, 22, 182

Thanks for your attention

... don't miss these other presentations from CERN:

- Improving the performance of a three-axes Hall probe mapper system (Melvin Liebsch)
- “Hysteresis Modeling in Iron-Dominated Magnets Based on a Multi-Layered NARX Neural Network Approach” (Vincenzo Di Capua)

That's all Folks!

- “A Static-Sample Magnetometer for Characterizing Weak Magnetic Materials” (Mariano Pentella)
- “Encoderless harmonic coil measurements” (Piotr Rogacki)