

High- T_c superconductors for next-generation undulators

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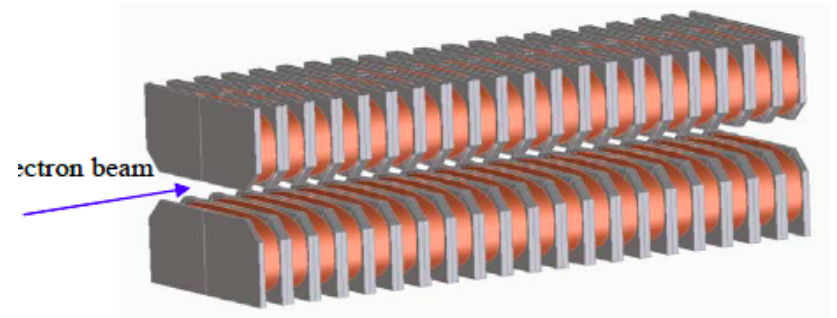
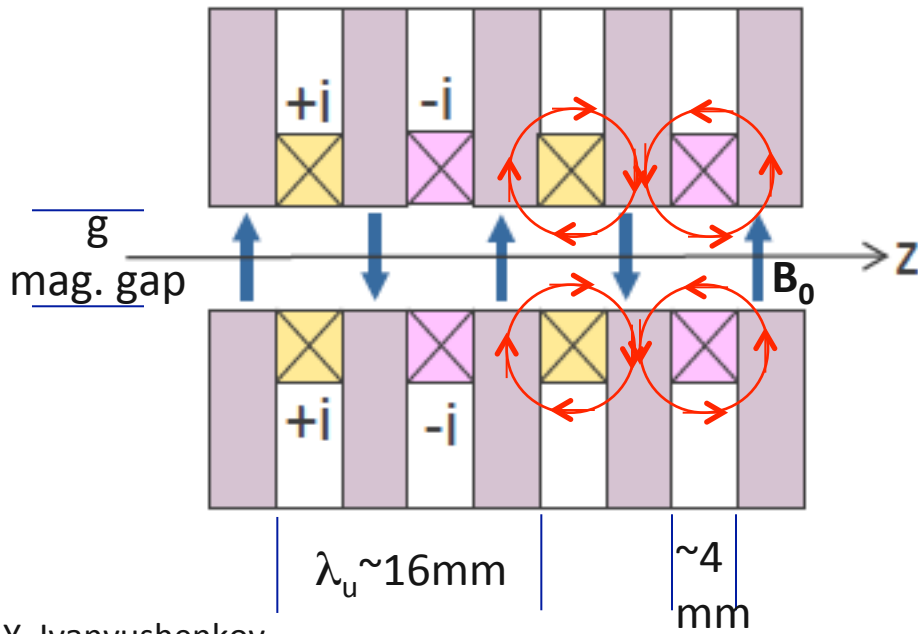
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Introduction



planar undulator

$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_u}{2\gamma} \left(1 + \frac{K^2}{2} \right) \quad E(\text{keV}) = \frac{0.95 E_e^2 [\text{GeV}]}{\lambda_u [\text{cm}] (1 + K^2/2)}$$

$$K = 0.93 B_0 [T] \lambda_u [\text{cm}]$$

sc coils with magnetic poles

Y. Ivanyushenkov

Name of the Game:

As much current through the winding-block as possible at highest possible temperature
superconducting windings

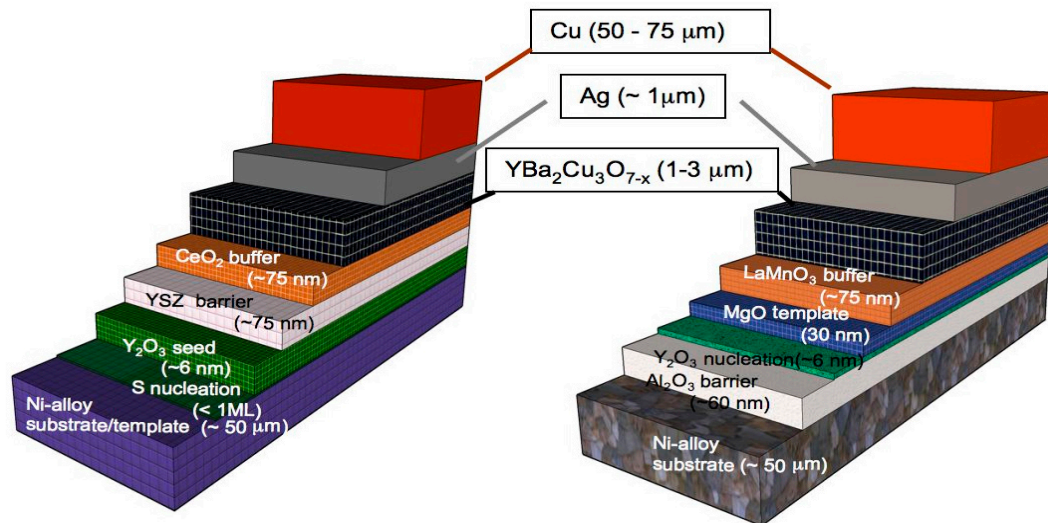
Highly non-uniform field (cf., sc solenoid, power-cables)

Field cancellations: $B_0 \sim \exp(-\alpha g / \lambda_u)$

YBaCuO Coated Conductors

Highly engineered, commercial products

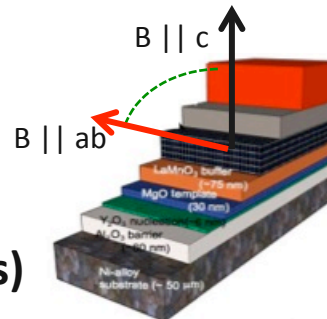
(American Superconductor, SuperPower, Fujikura, Showa)



Rolling-Assisted Biaxially Textured Substrates (RABiTS)

Ion-Beam-Assisted Deposition (IBAD)

- Anisotropy: conductor shape, J_c vs field angle
- $J_c(B)$
- $J_E \sim 1-2\% J_c$ (J_c decreases with thickness)
- no sc-joints

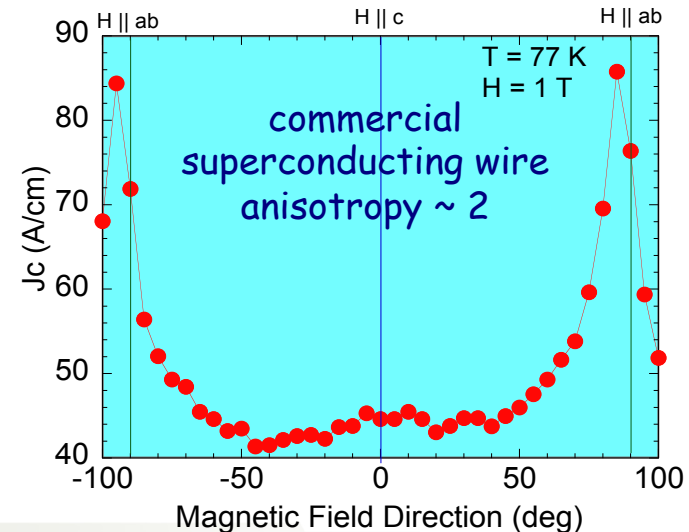


Multi-layered tapes:
avoid grain-boundaries

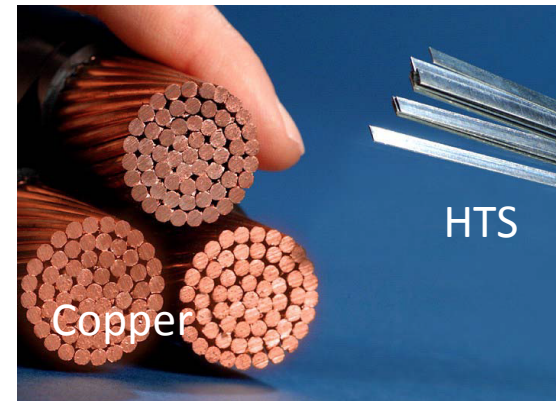
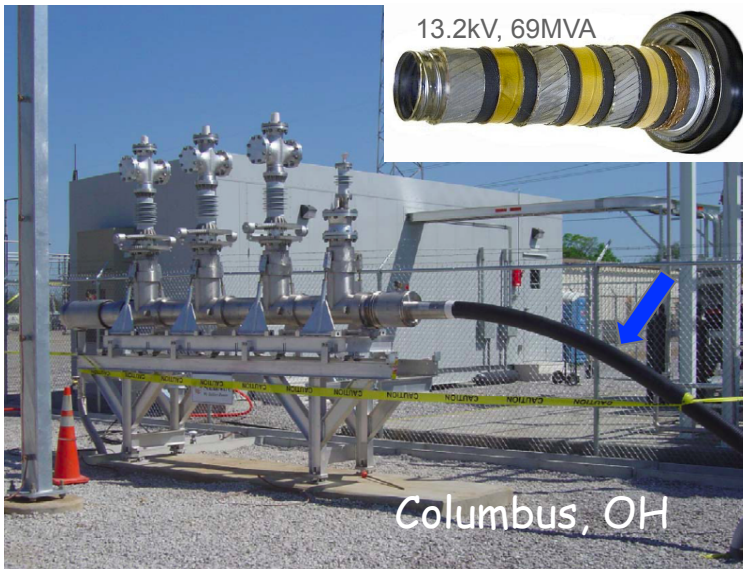
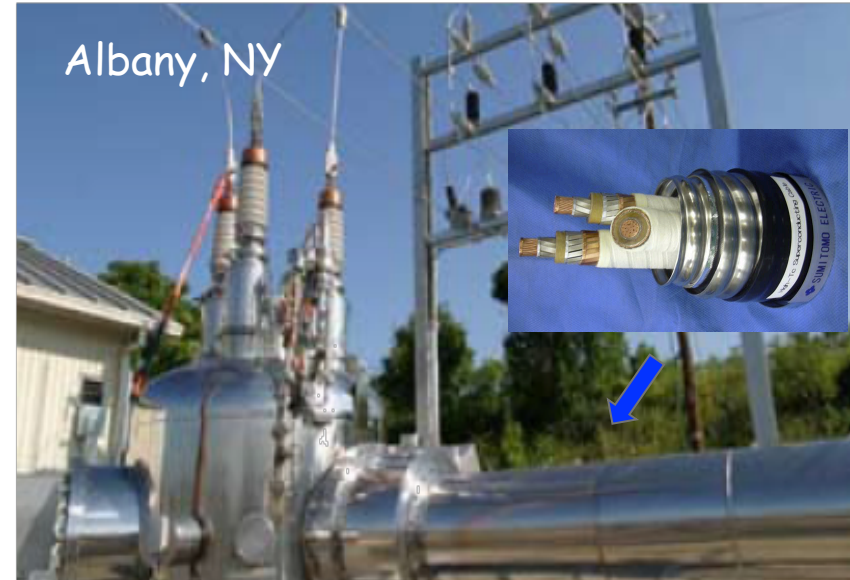
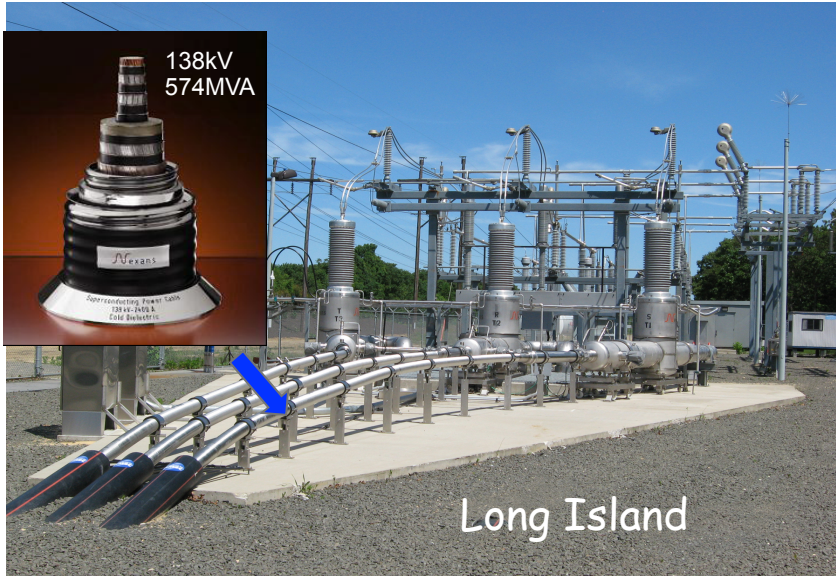
J_c (77K, sf) $\sim 3-5$ MA/cm²

$T_c \sim 92$ K: T-margin for cryo-plant

High mechanical strength

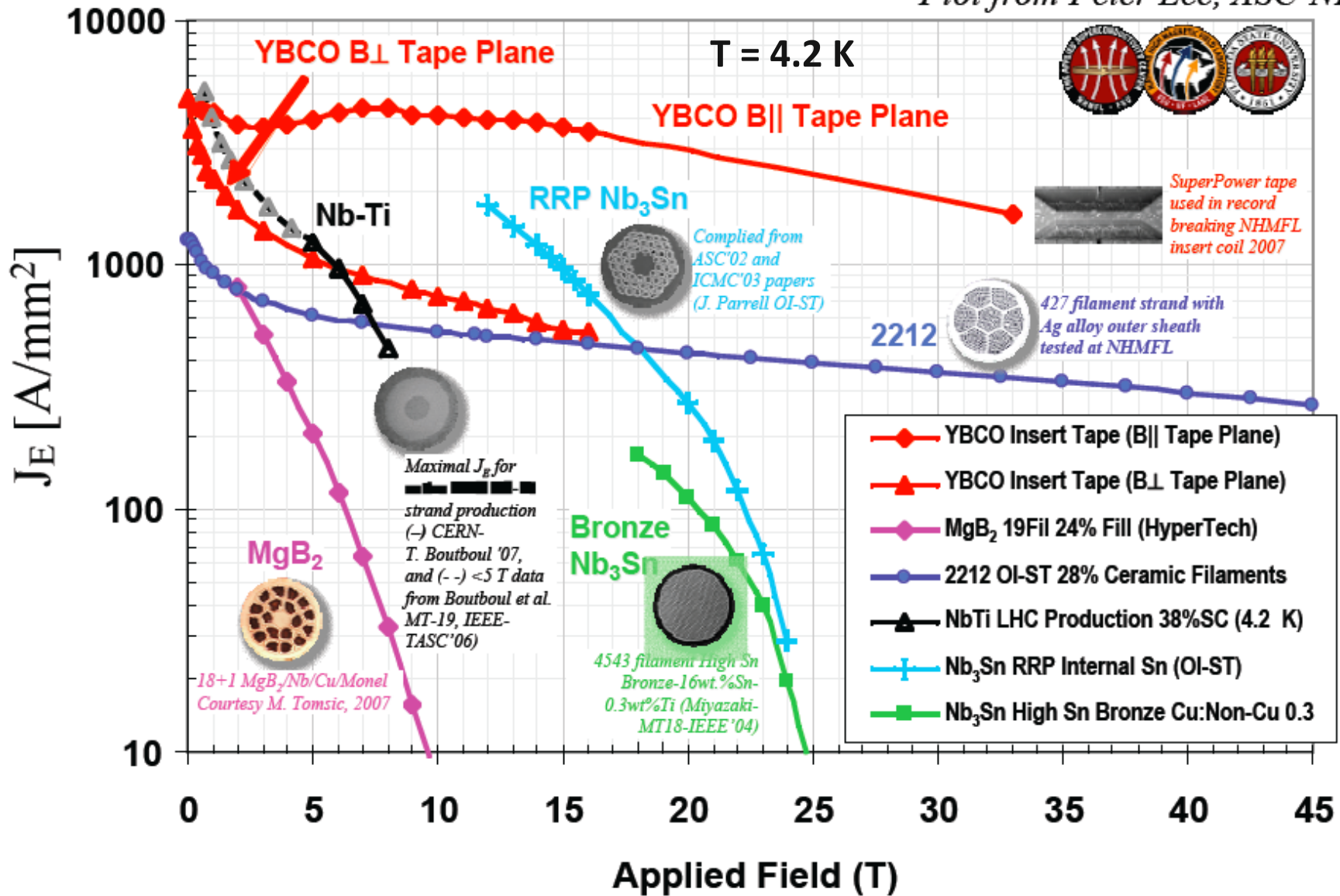


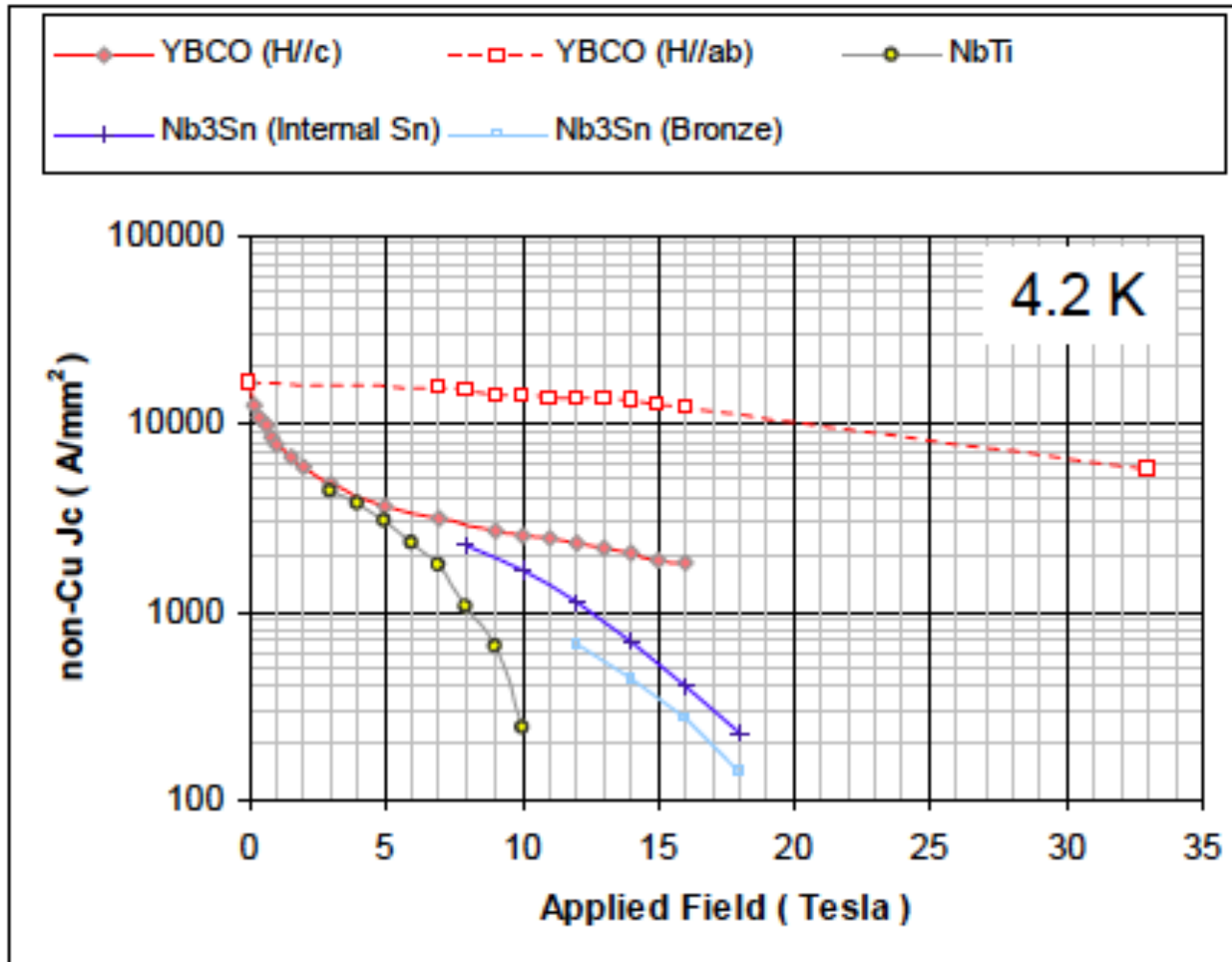
impacting the grid today ...



5x power capacity of copper in same cross-sectional area

Plot from Peter Lee, ASC-NHMFL

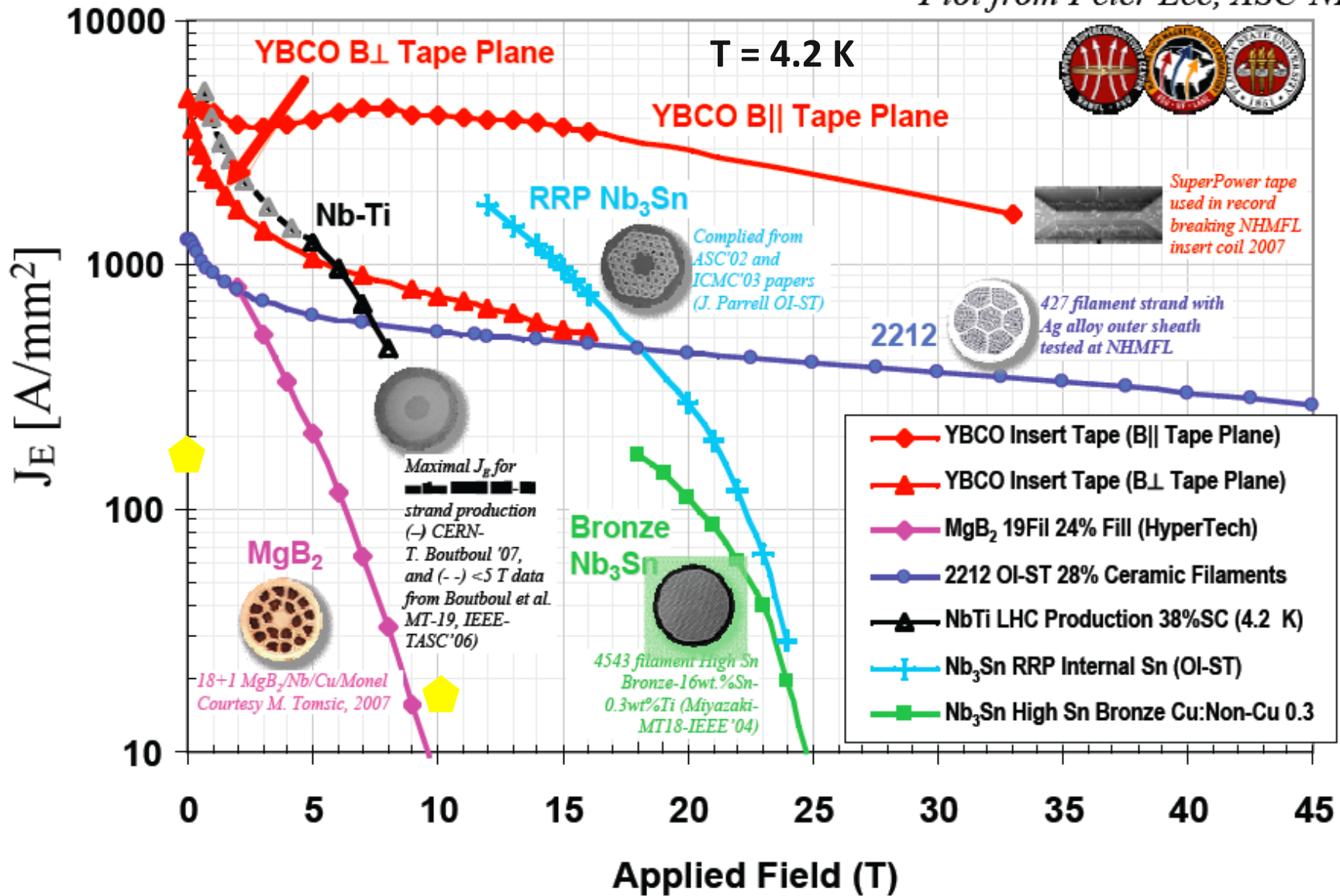




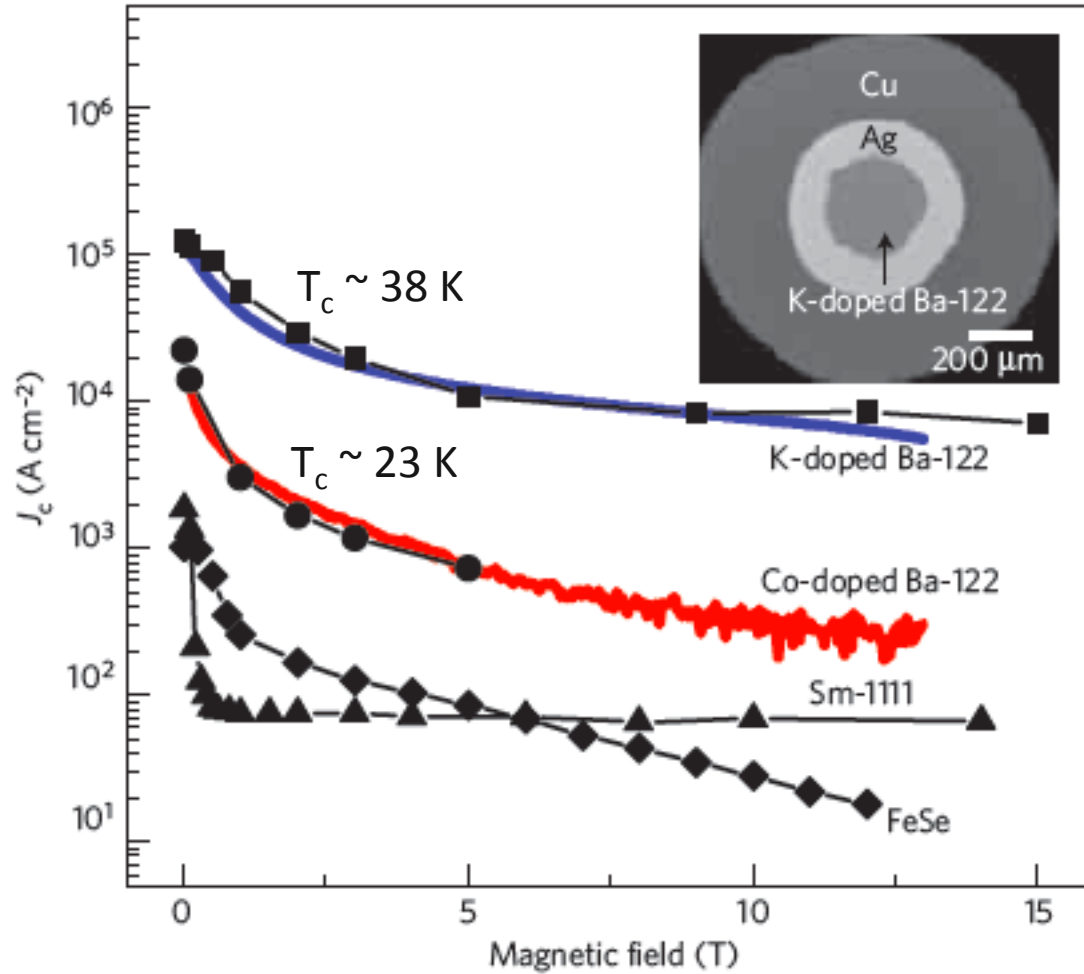
V. Selvamanickam et al., EUCAS 2011



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FeAs-superconductors

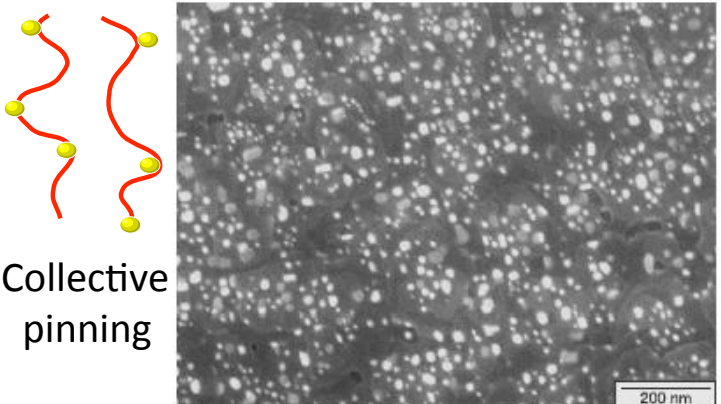


$$J_E \sim 7\% J_c$$

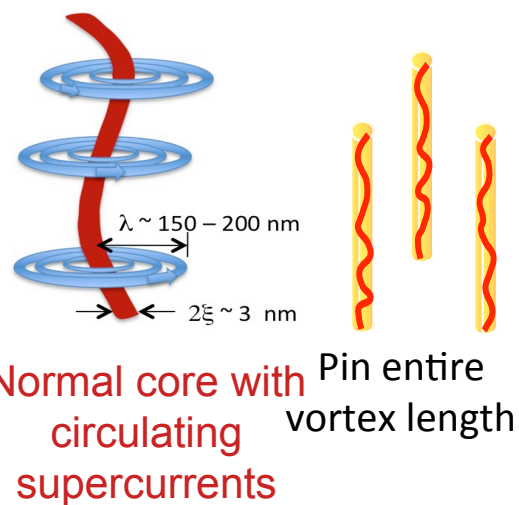
J. D. Weiss et al., Nat. Mat. **11**, 682 (2012)

Natural and Engineered Defects for Vortex Pinning

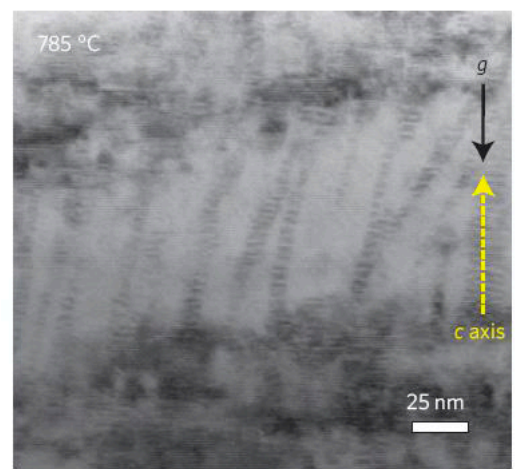
14 nm YBa₂CuO₅ nano-particles (211) in YBCO films



T. Haugan, et al. Nature 430, 867 (2004)

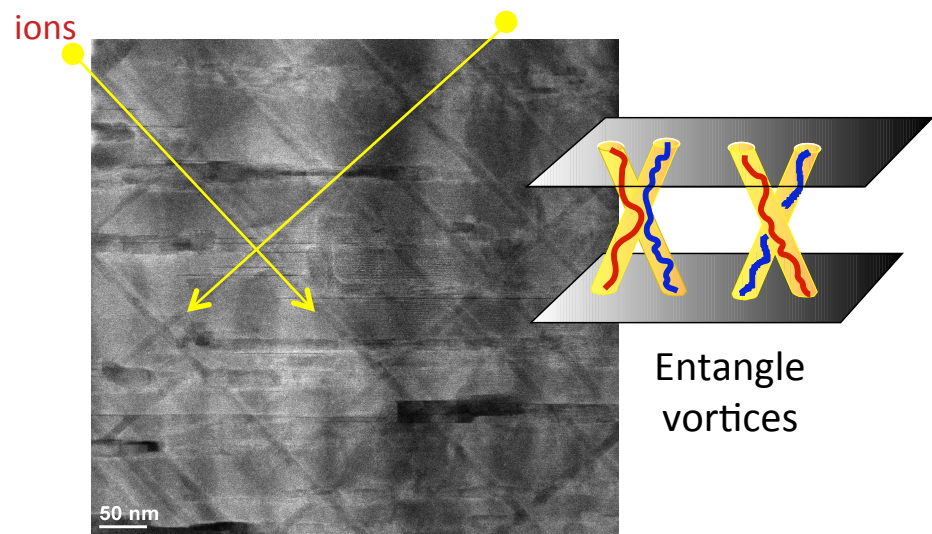


Self-organized BaZrO columnar defects in YBCO films



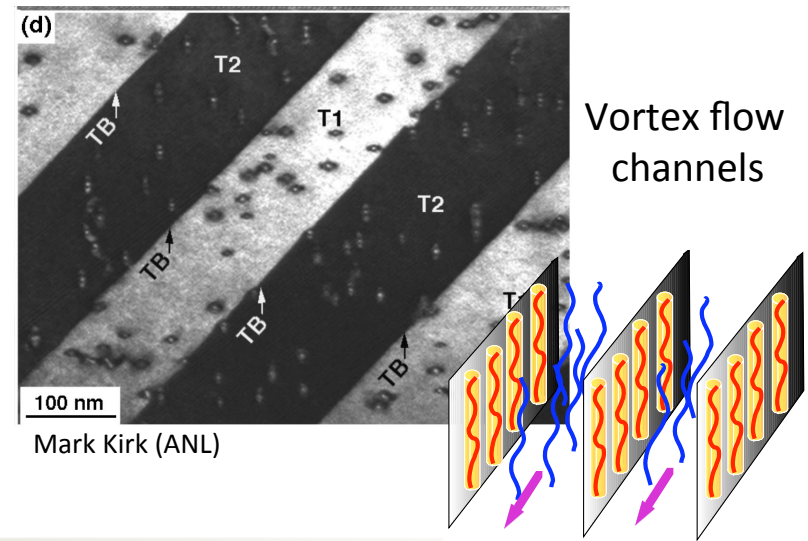
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Splayed amorphous tracks in YBCO films created by heavy ion irradiation



Jim Zuo (UIUC)

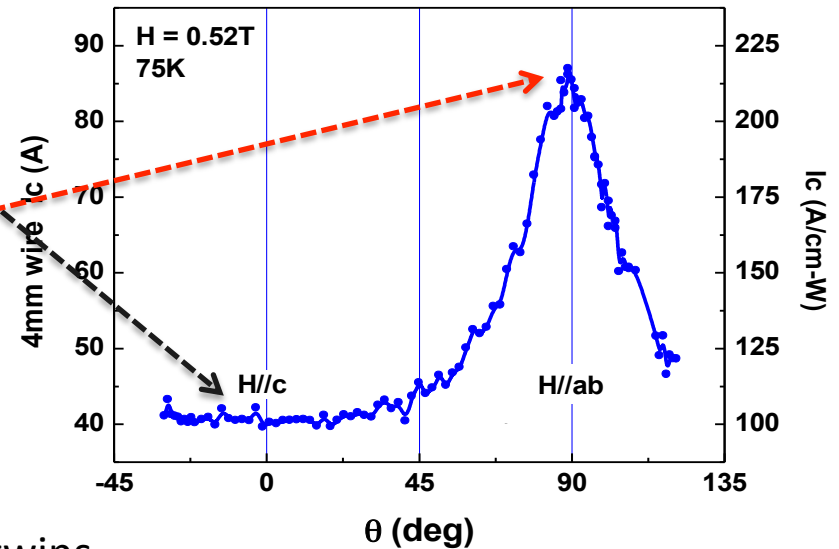
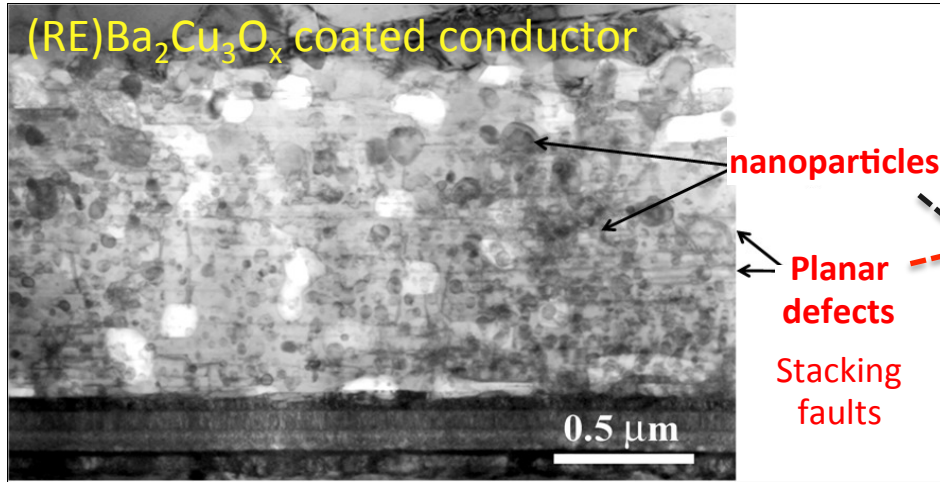
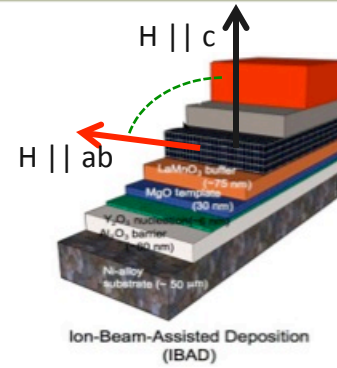
Twin boundaries in YBCO with columnar defects



Engineering Vortex Pinning Landscapes

Motors and Generators ~ 850 A/cm-w at design point

- 30 K, 1.5T field oriented along *c*-axis
- 30K, 2.5T field oriented at 10° off *ab*-plane
- Anisotropy of I_c for $H \parallel ab / H \parallel c \sim 1.5$ to 2



(RE=Dy, Ho, etc) $_2$ O $_3$ nanoparticles 20 – 30nm :

- large particles associated with twins
- vortex pinning due to strain fields around nanoparticles and twins

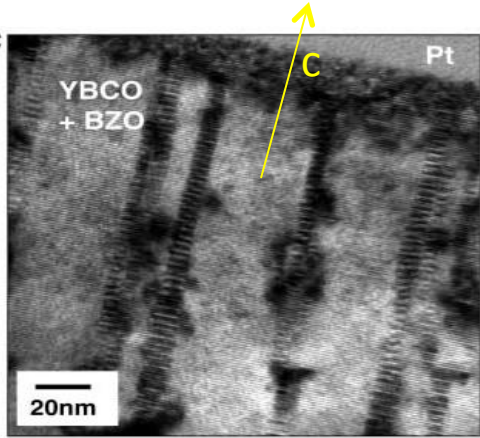
Stacking faults due to formation of (RE) $_2$ Ba $_4$ Cu $_7$:

- density controlled by excess (RE) and oxygenation temperature
- effective vortex pinning at $T > 50$ K
- intrinsic pinning mechanism due to inherent layered structure effective below 30K

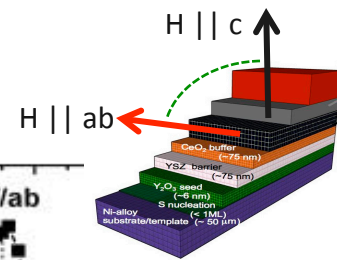
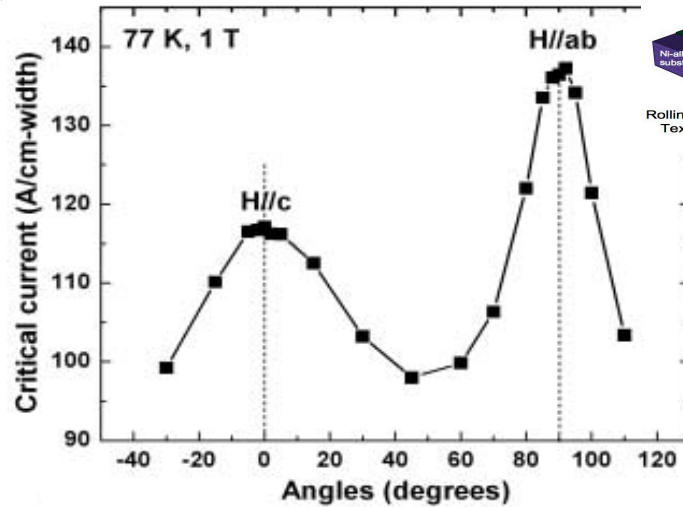


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Self-assembled BaZrO nanoparticles

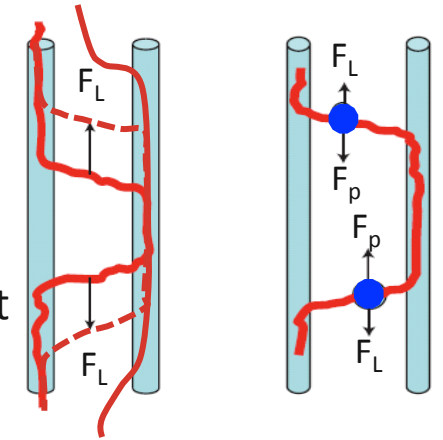


S. Kang et al., Science 311, 1911 (2006)

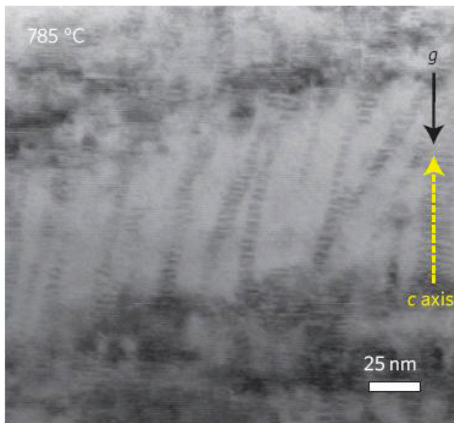


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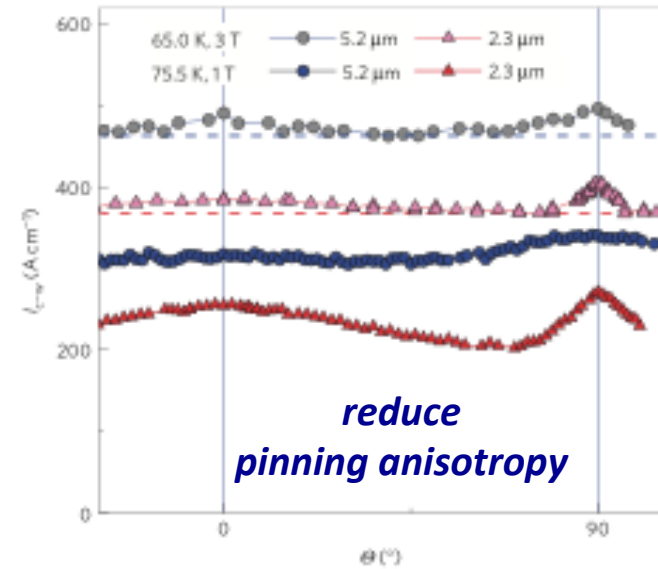
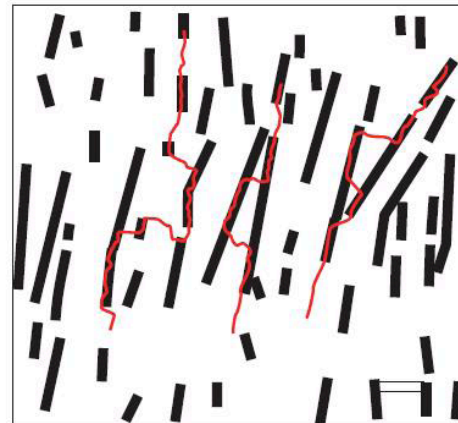
$I \otimes$
current



Combination of BaZrO nano-rods & particles



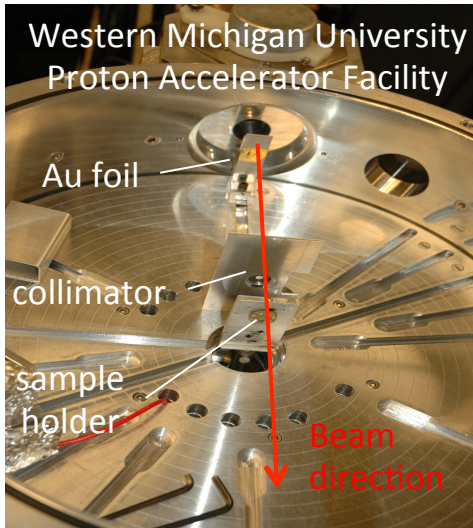
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reduce
pinning anisotropy



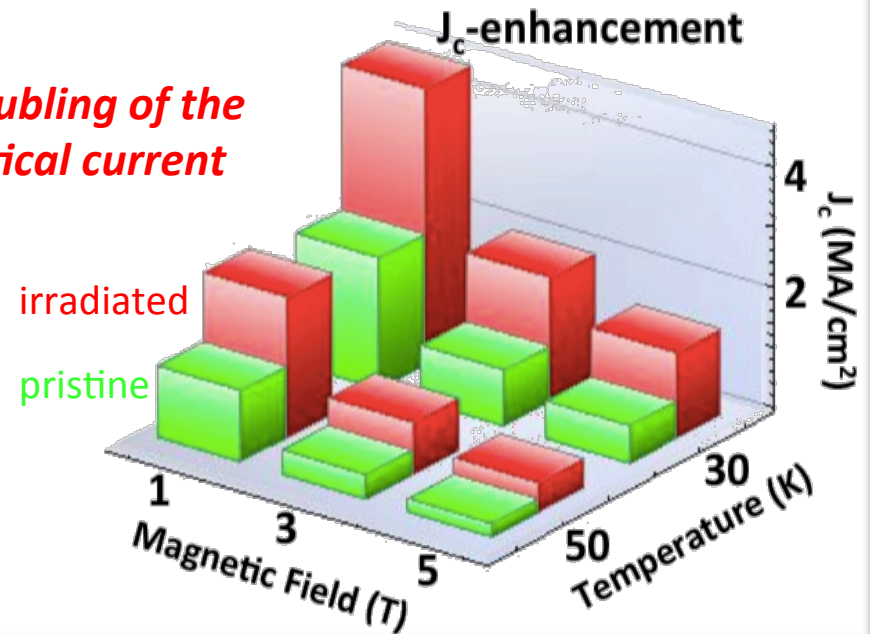
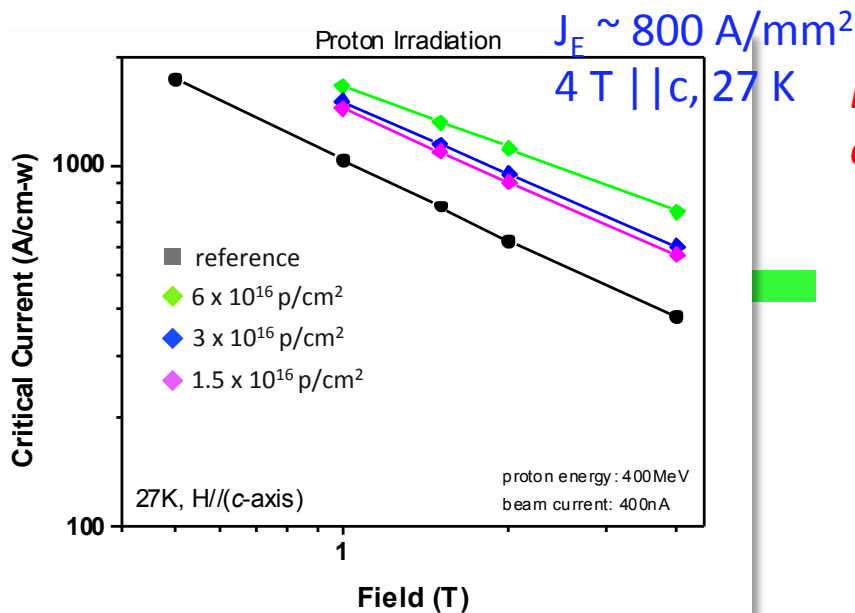
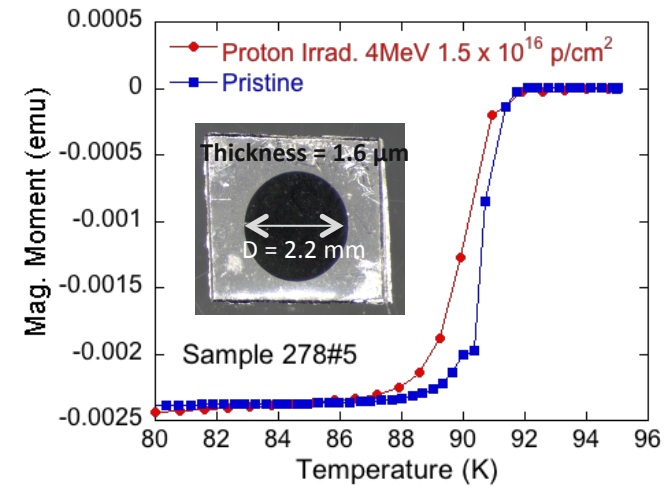
Proton Irradiation – doubling the critical current!



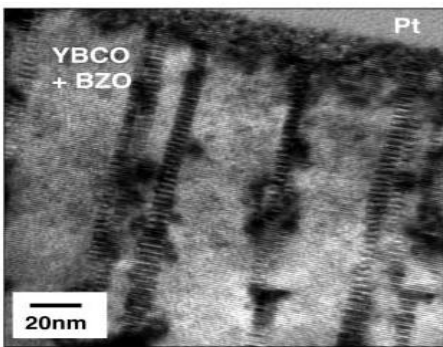
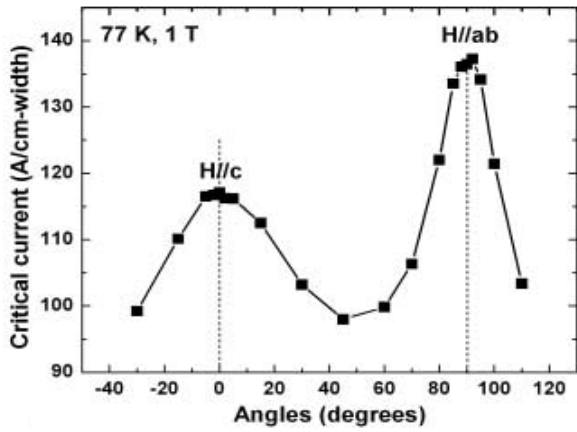
4 MeV Proton irradiation

Two types of defects: (10^{15} p/cm²)

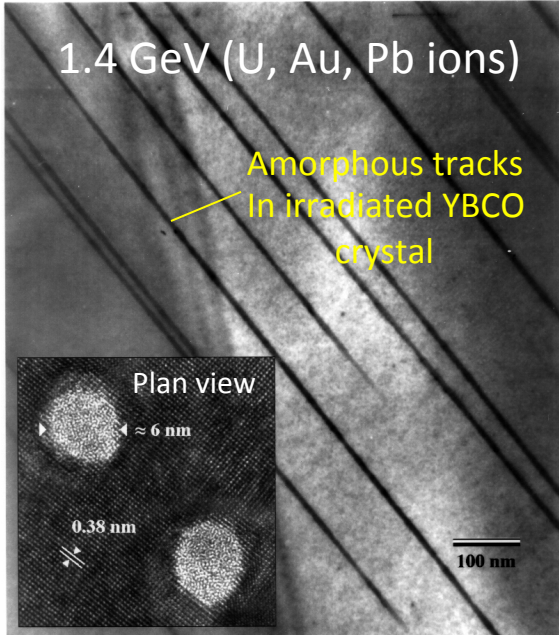
- weak random point defects
- defect separation \sim 170 to 85Å
- cluster defects (\sim 3nm)
- on existing wires,
scale-up to production level



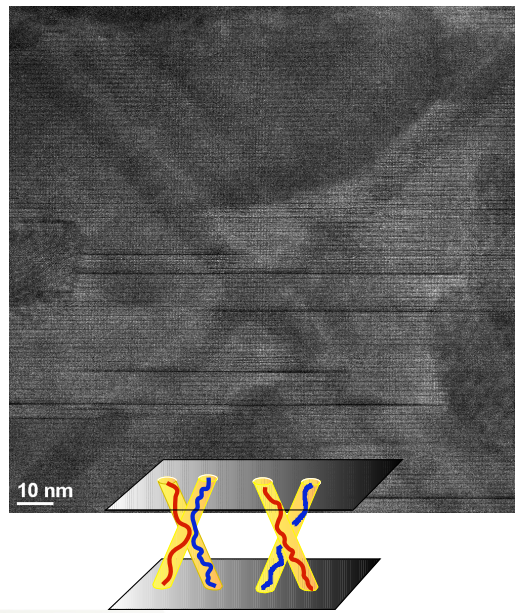
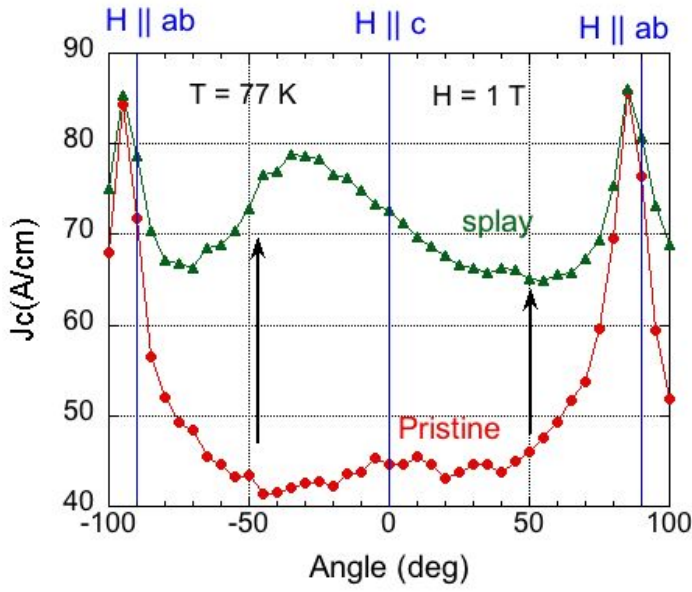
Tuning Anisotropy with Heavy-ion Irradiation



S. Kang et al., Science 311, 1911 (2006)



- Heavy ion irradiation can control:
- defect orientation (angle)
 - defect number (dose)
 - defect size (ion size)
 - defect shape: (ion size & energy)



YBCO-coated conductor demo-undulator

C. Boffo et al., Babcock-Noell, KIT (ASC 2010)

5 mm gap, 1.4T on axis, 16 mm period

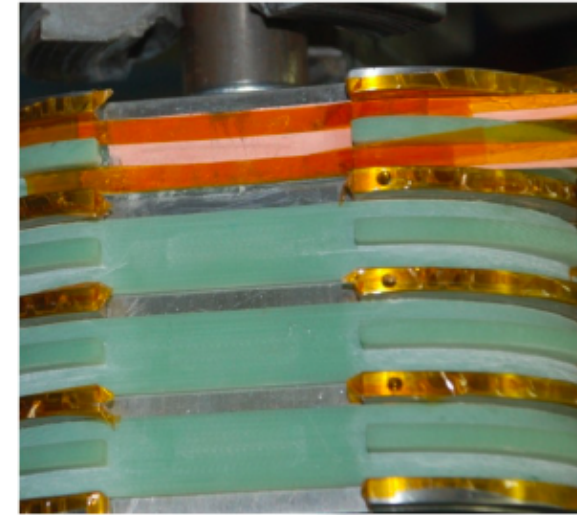
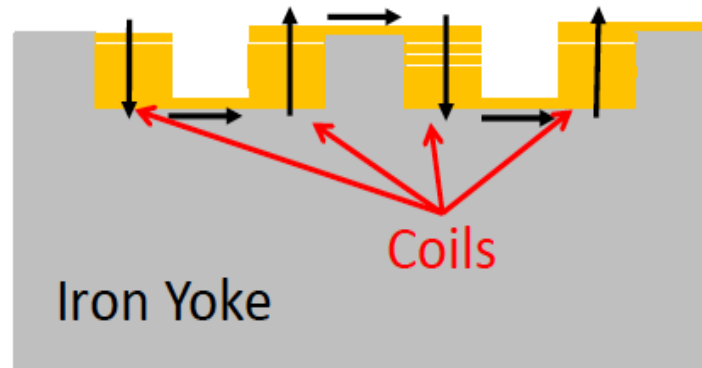
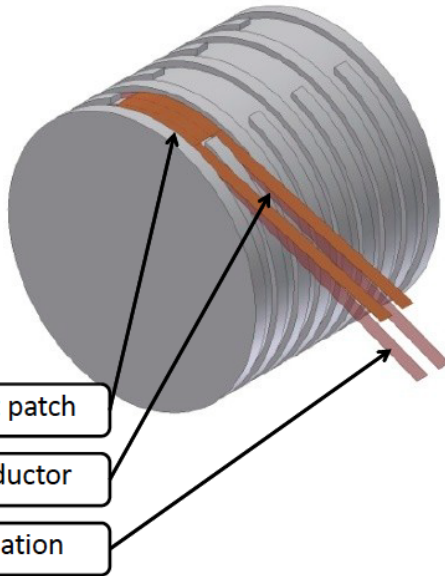
Standard Design:

- 4 mm groove
 - 30 layers HTS
 - Interlayer insulation 50 μm
 - Side insulation 50 μm
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- Operating current 500A
 - Field on axis 1.45 T
 - Max field in conductor 2.59T
 - Max ortho. Field in conductor **2.25T**

Improved Design:

- 4 mm groove
 - 30 layers HTS
 - Interlayer insulation 50 μm
 - Side insulation 50 μm
 - **2 mm non-magnetic bottom layer**
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- Operating current 500A
 - Field on axis 1.41 T
 - Max field in conductor 2.37T
 - Max ortho. Field in conductor **1.38 T**

Winding tapes

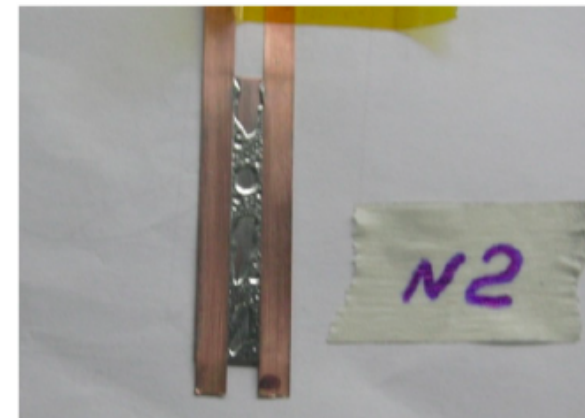


All coils wound in same direction

50- μ m Kapton insulation

Solder joints

640 A



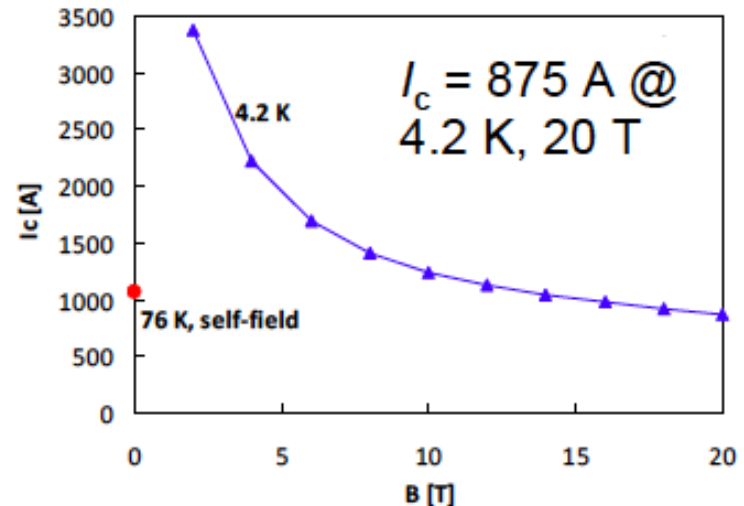
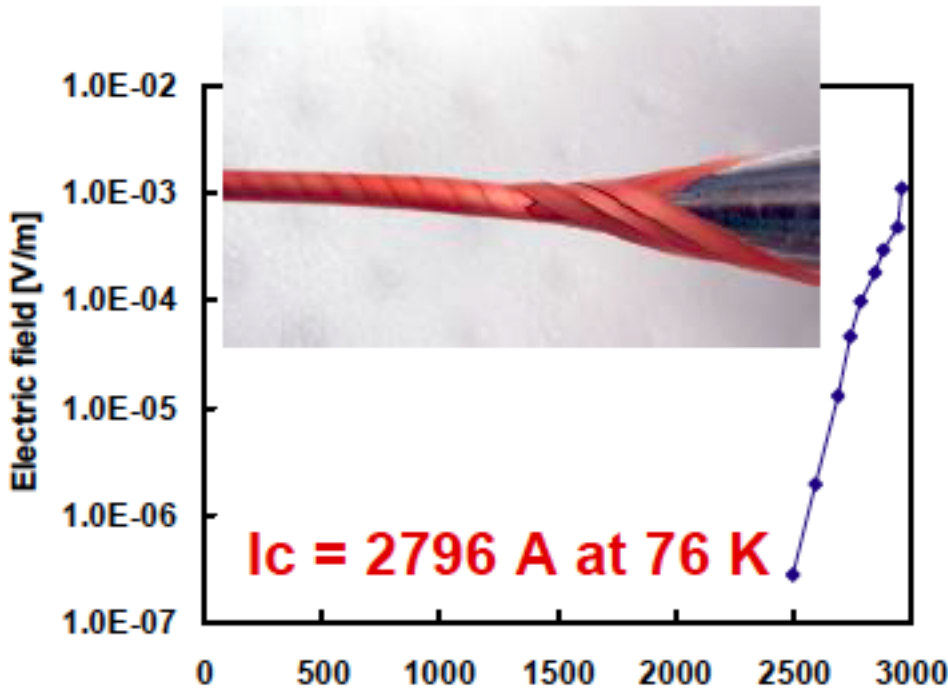
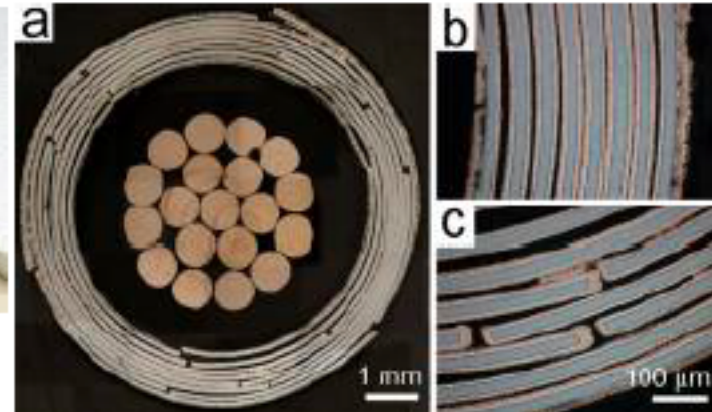
Alternative schemes: miniature helical power-cable



V. Selvamanickam et al., U of Houston, SuperPower (EUCAS 2011)

High current, flexible cable:
8 layers, 24 coated conductors, $I_c = 130$ A

Core diameter = 5.5 mm
Cable diameter = 7.5 mm



Conclusions

- Commercial state-of-the-art SC wires are continuously improving in performance, meet demands for SC undulator
- Engineered defects such as nano-particles, self-assembled columnar defects, stacking faults and combinations thereof are effective in raising J_c and lowering pinning anisotropy
- 4 MeV Proton irradiation induced defects can double the critical current at high fields and low temperatures
- Novel winding-schemes for undulator applications



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