



# Quench Detection for CORC® Fusion Magnets via Real-Time Current Recreation



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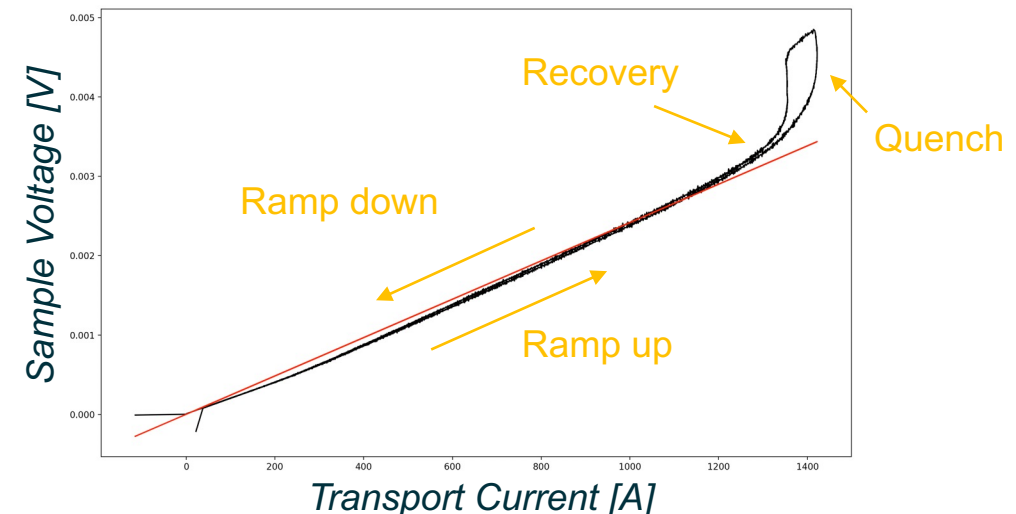
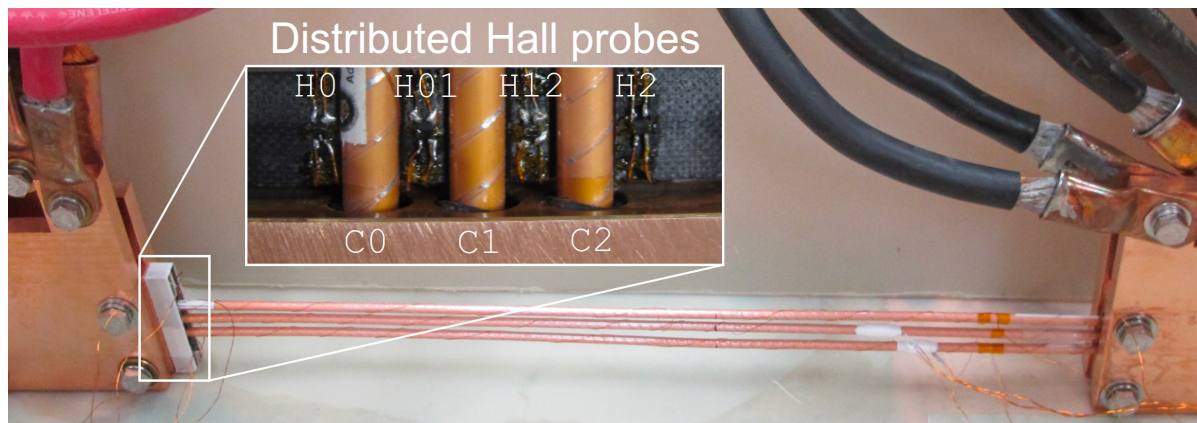
# The Approach



- Can we protect fusion cables by monitoring current distributions?
  - Build capability to predict current distributions
  - Identify current distributions in real time
  - Look for signatures of current redistribution
- *Supplement* voltage and temperature measurements
- Many flavors - inter-cable (~fusion), inter-tape (~HEP), ...

<p>Quench detection method for 2G HTS wire M Marchevsky<sup>1</sup>, Y.Y. Xie<sup>2</sup> and V Strömstedt<sup>1,2</sup></p>	<p>CORC<sup>®</sup> cable terminations with integrated Hall arrays for quench detection Reed Teyber<sup>1</sup>, Maxim Marchevsky<sup>2</sup>, Soren Prestemon<sup>1</sup>, Jeremy Weiss<sup>1</sup> and Detlev van der Laan<sup>1</sup></p>
<p>Quench detection using Hall sensors in high-temperature superconducting CORC<sup>®</sup>-based cable-in-conduit-conductors for fusion applications J D Weiss<sup>1</sup>, R Teyber<sup>1</sup>, M Marchevsky<sup>2</sup> and D C van der Laan<sup>1</sup></p>	<p>scientific reports OPEN Current distribution monitoring enables quench and damage detection in superconducting fusion magnets Reed Teyber<sup>1</sup>, Jeremy Weiss<sup>1</sup>, Maxim Marchevsky<sup>2</sup>, Soren Prestemon<sup>1</sup> &amp; Detlev van der Laan<sup>1</sup></p>

CORC<sup>®</sup> Ribbon Cable



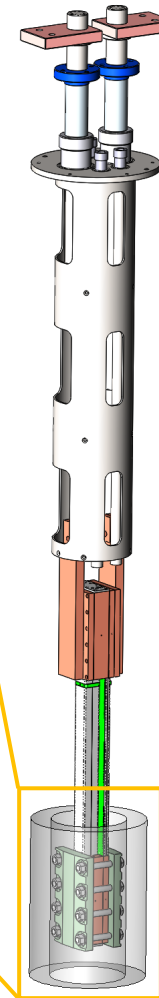
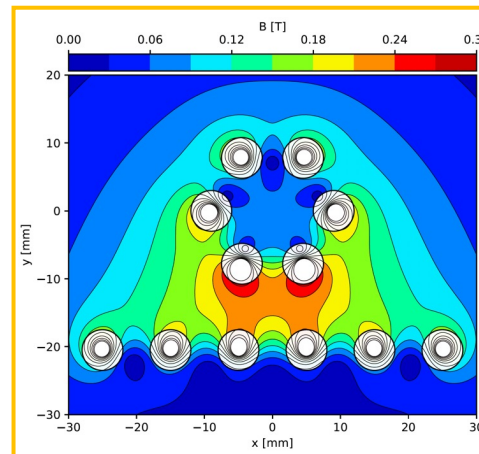
# Inverse Biot-Savart



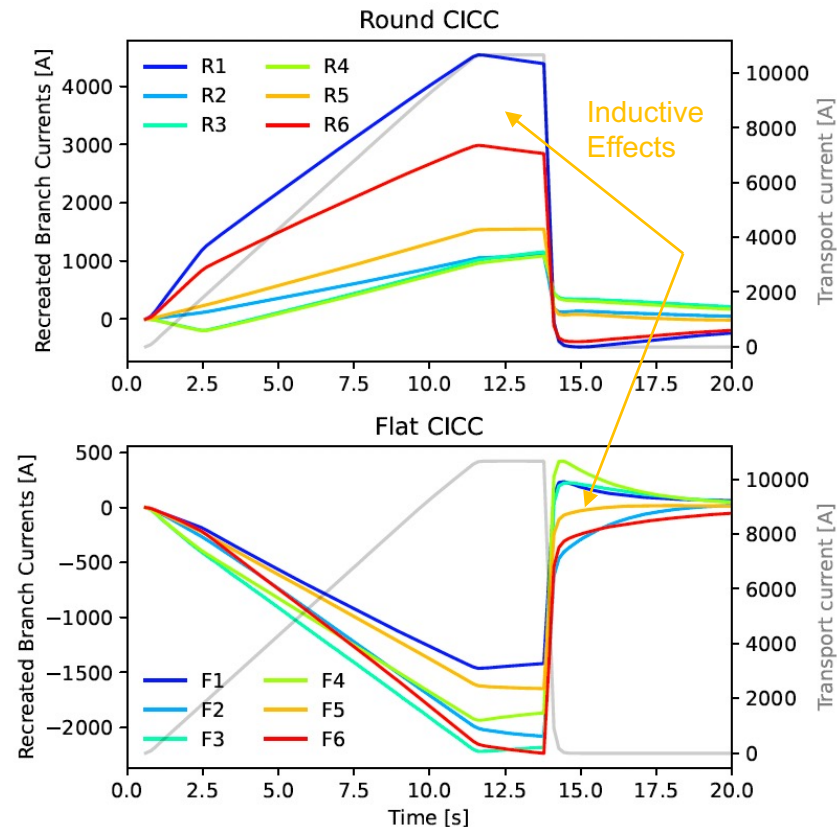
- Recreate current distributions from Hall probes
- Field at each Hall sensor is sum of line current Biot-Savart
  - Invert or solve as constrained optimization problem
  - Not a new method – but key to our approach

$$\begin{matrix} \text{Hall Sensors} \\ \updownarrow \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Conductors} \rightarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} A_{00}^* & A_{i0}^* & A_{n_i0}^* \\ A_{0k}^* & A_{ik}^* & A_{n_ik}^* \\ A_{0n_k}^* & A_{in_k}^* & A_{n_in_k}^* \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_{0,z} \\ I_{i,z} \\ I_{n_i,z} \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{Currents} \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_0 \\ B_k \\ B_{n_k} \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{Fields} \end{matrix}$$

Geometry
Currents
Fields



Data + Figures Courtesy Jeremy Weiss  
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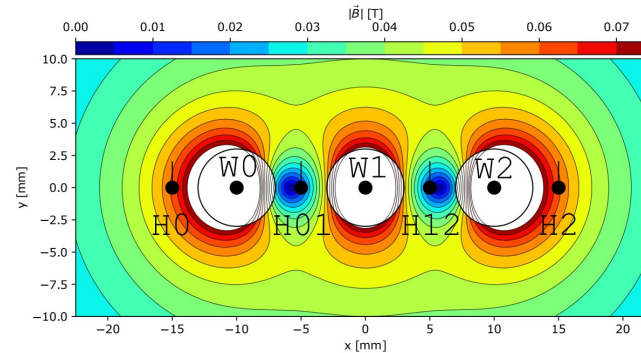
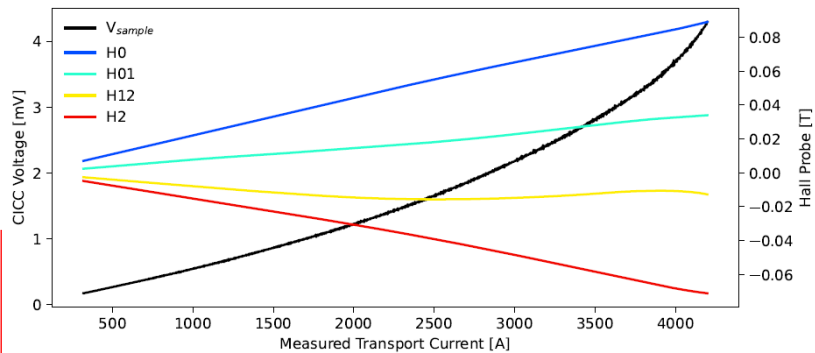


# Parameter Extraction

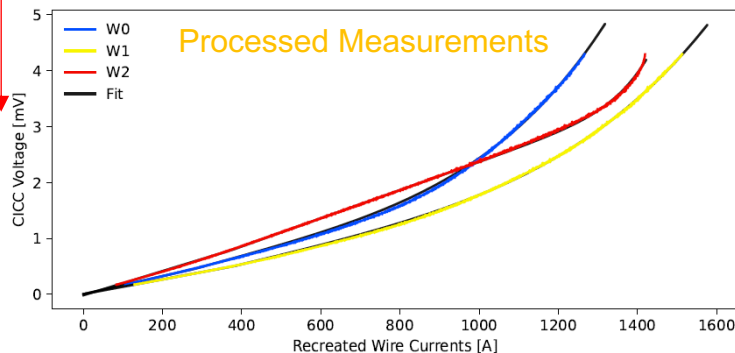


- Single I-V curve with Hall probe measurements
  - Extract all termination resistances, critical currents
  - *Can now run network model with actual parameters of magnet!*

Raw CICC Measurements with Hall probe array



Inverse Biot-Savart

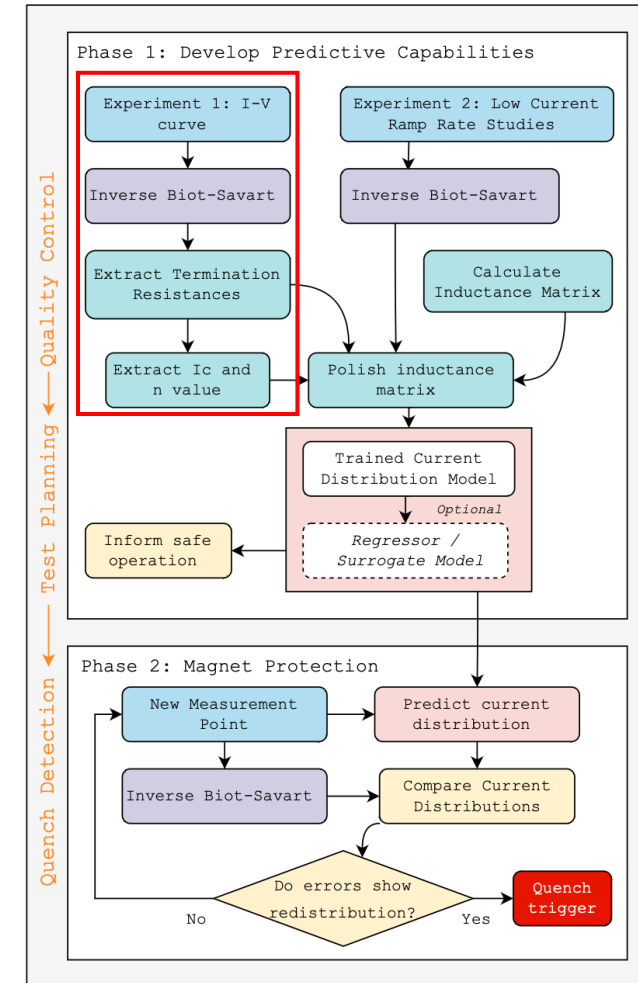


Processed Measurements

*Non-invasively extracted termination resistances and critical currents!*

Wire	$I_C$ [A]	$n$ [-]
Wire 0	963	5.0
Wire 1	1146	4.8
Wire 2	1385	16.4

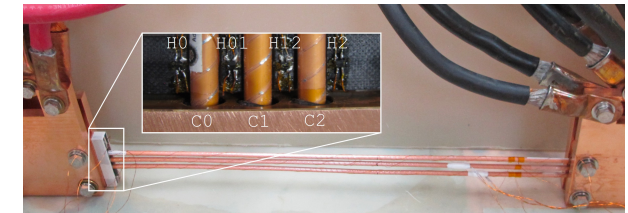
Wire	$I_{thresh}$ [A]	$R_{term}^<$ [ $\mu\Omega$ ]	$R_{term}^>$ [ $\mu\Omega$ ]
Wire 0	320	1.63	1.93
Wire 1	377	1.30	1.64
Wire 2	313	2.07	2.50



# Quench Detection



- Compare dynamic simulation with extracted parameters to recreated current distributions
- Dynamic (and challenging) case – 2,000 A/s
  - Algorithm searches for signatures of current redistribution in error rate
- Heater applied to middle wire (yellow)
  - *None of this information is currently available!*



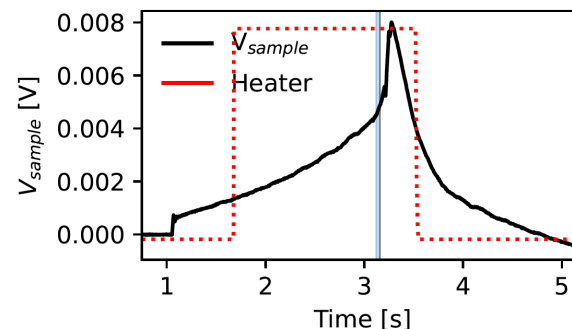
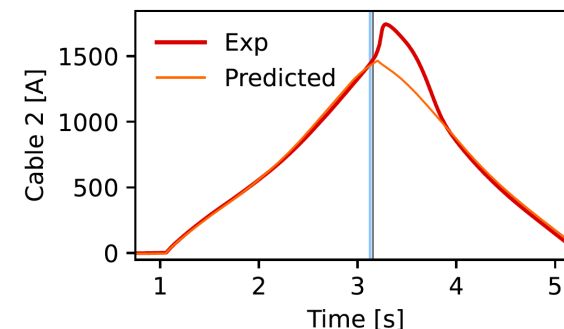
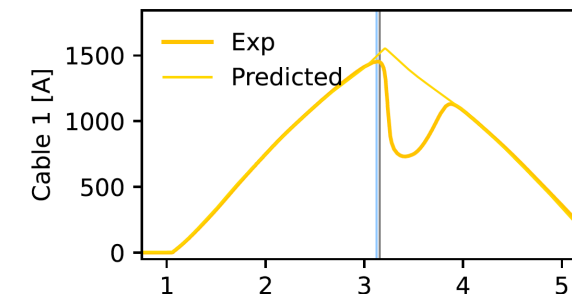
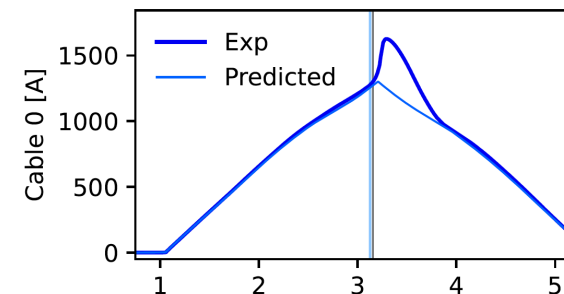
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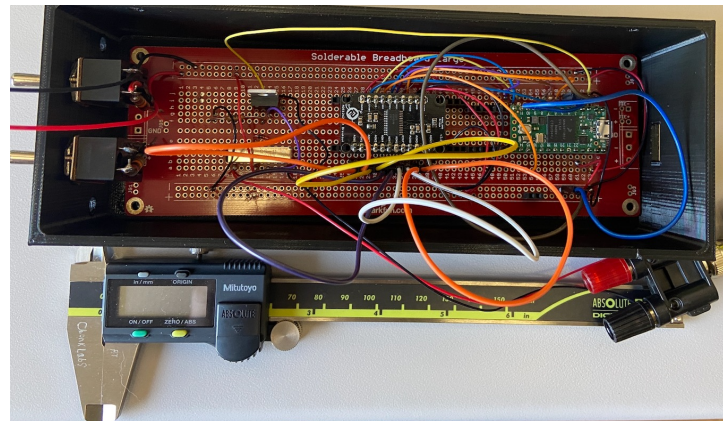
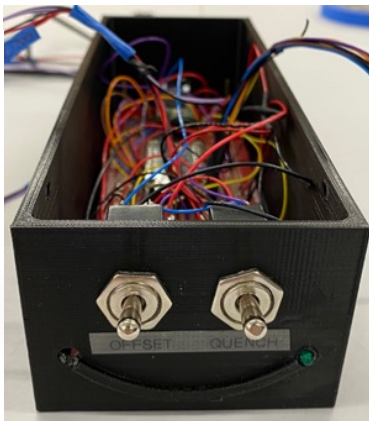
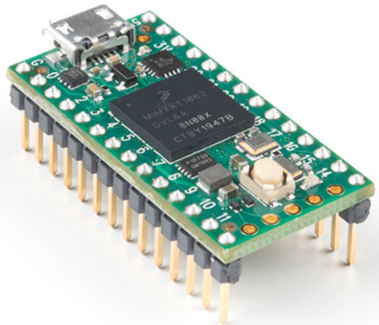
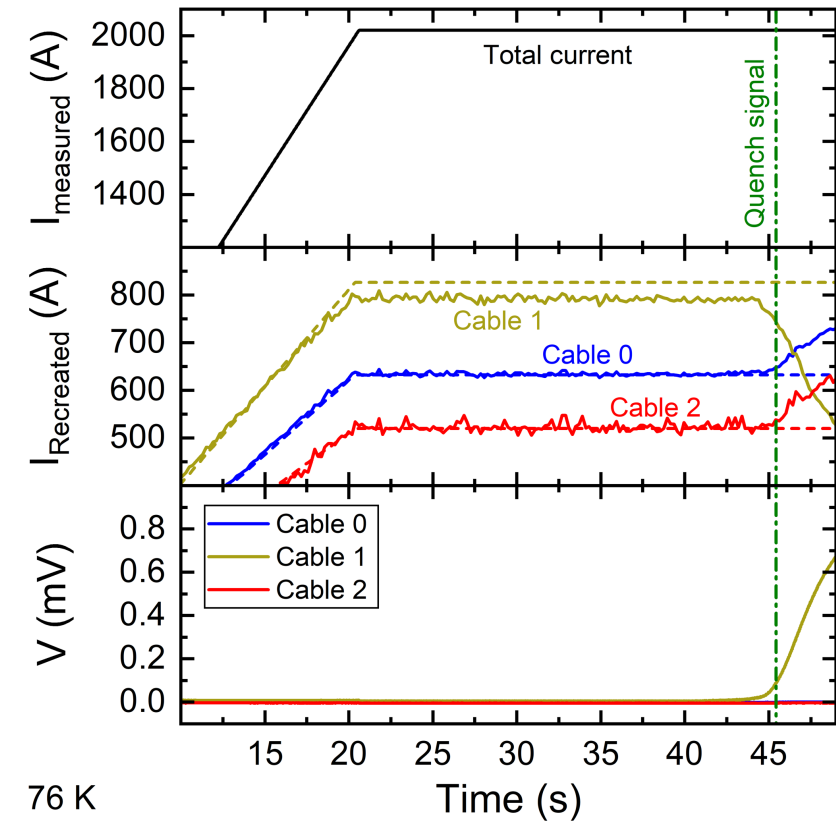


# (New) Quench Detection



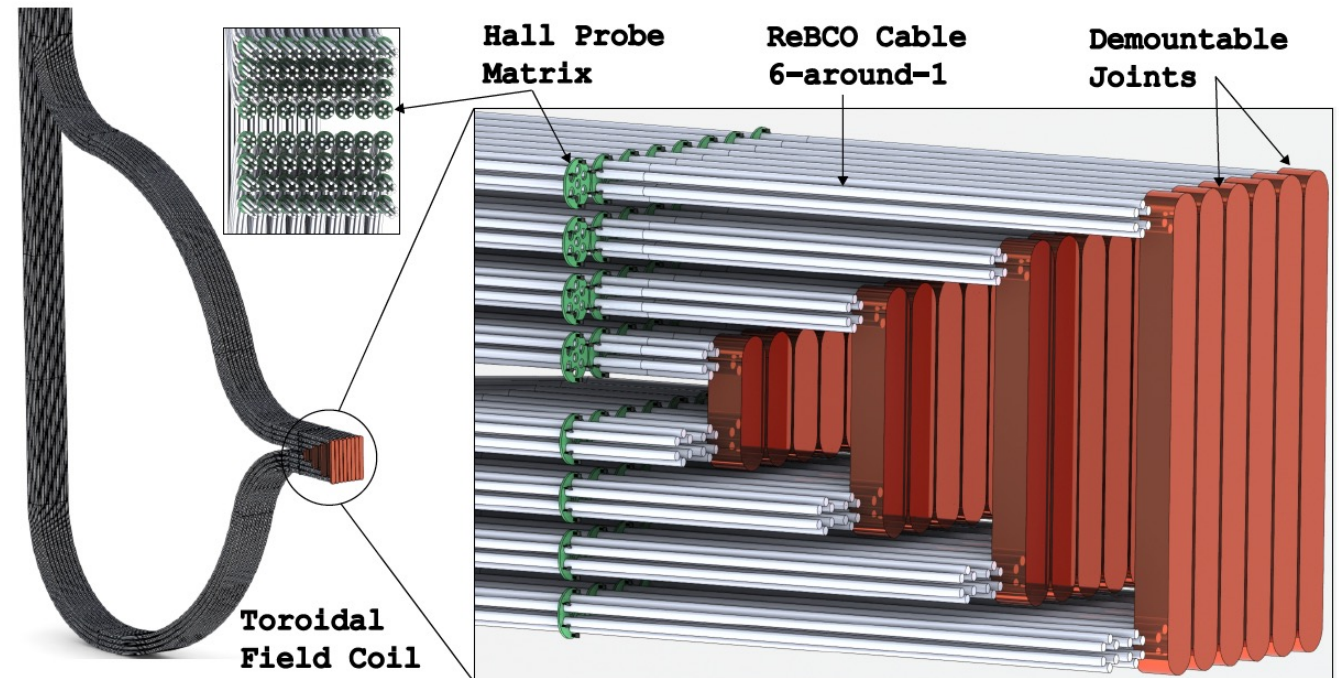
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- Quench detection prototype built and tested based on published approach
  - Expected current distribution defined by extracted termination resistances (low-ramp rate only)
  - Inverse Biot-Savart problem implemented on ARM Cortex M7
- Recreated experiments on last slide
  - Quench trigger produced in real-time after firing quench heater



# Next Steps

- Technique is very promising for quench detection and system health monitoring
- Having said this, many caveats for implementation
  - Short/moderate length cables, HTS CICC, limited inter-cable current sharing, ...
- Toroidal Field coils with demountable joints
  - Current can redistribute between conductors of each CICC at each demountable joint at each turn
  - More complex current recreation and prediction problems in real time
- Seeking funding to build a scale prototype of this concept with ACT and General Atomics



# Next Steps

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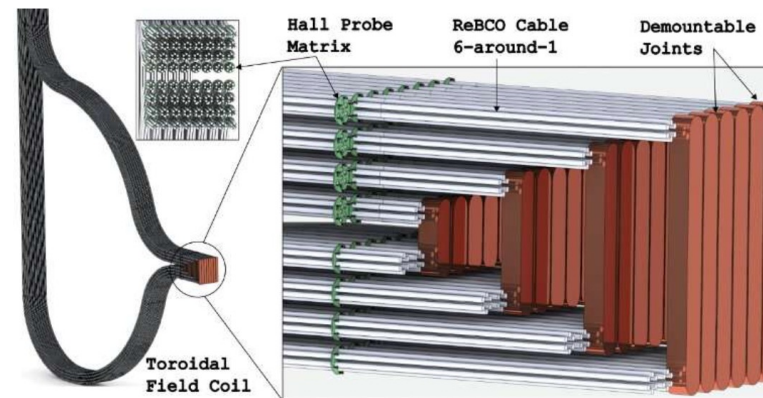
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## Protecting high-performance, superconducting magnets

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Magnetic field (Hall) probe matrix allows current distributions to be recreated a...



# Inter-Tape Redistribution



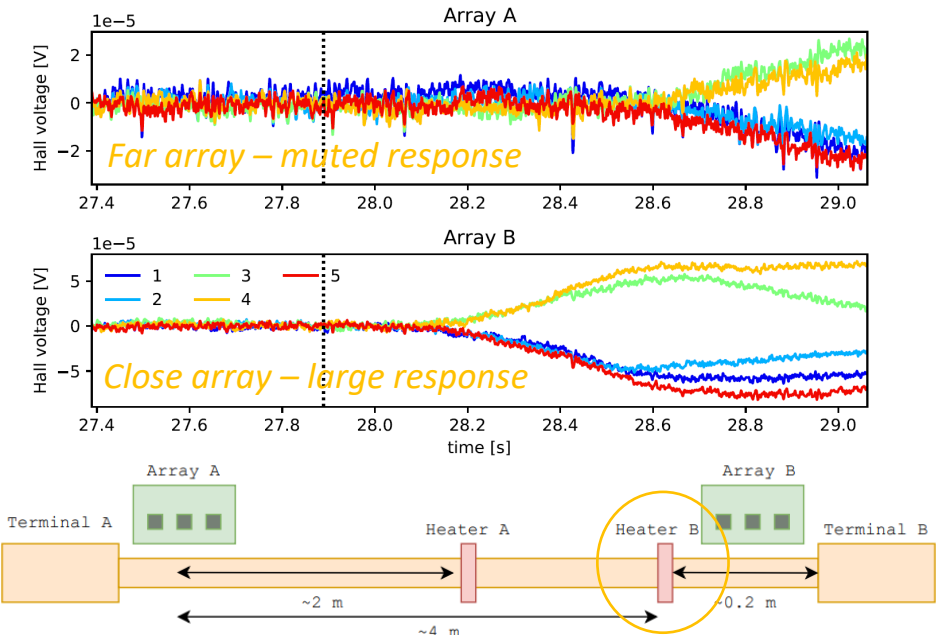
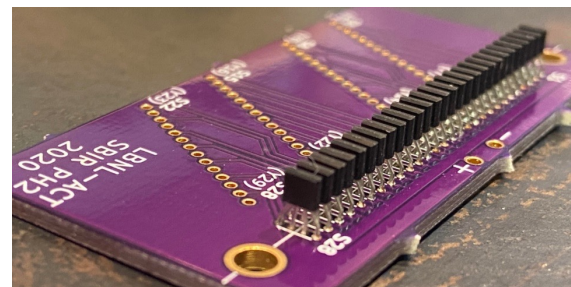
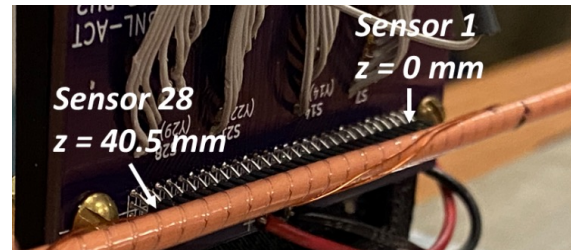
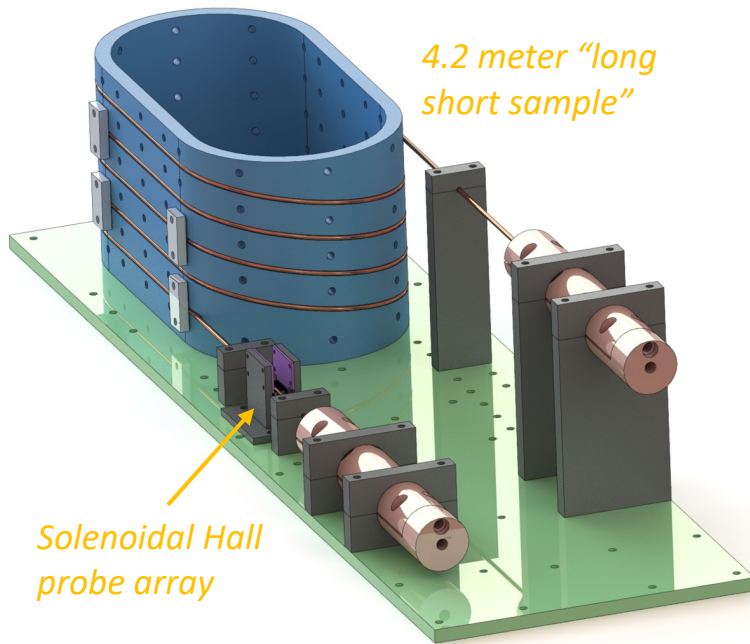
- Early inter-tape current redistribution measurements in short samples was promising
  - But scaling to long length cables can be challenging

See work by Gerard Willering

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**Effect of variations in terminal contact resistances on the current distribution in high-temperature superconducting cables**

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# Conclusion



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- Many implementation details not covered today
  - If interested – please see following manuscript
- Would like to re-iterate the collaboration with ACT
- Thank you for your attention!

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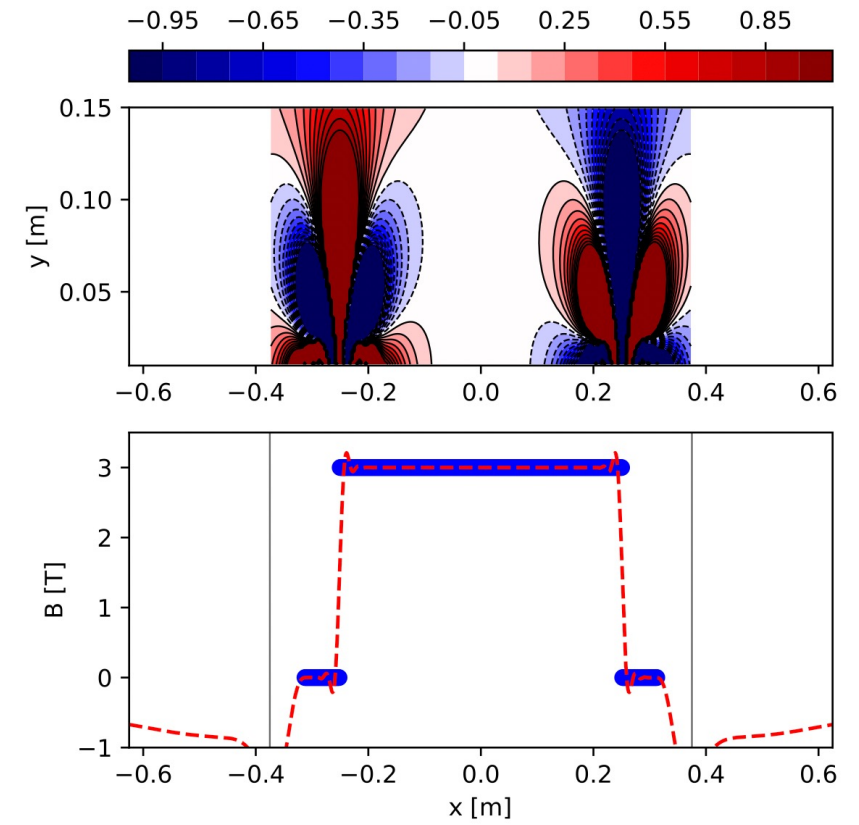
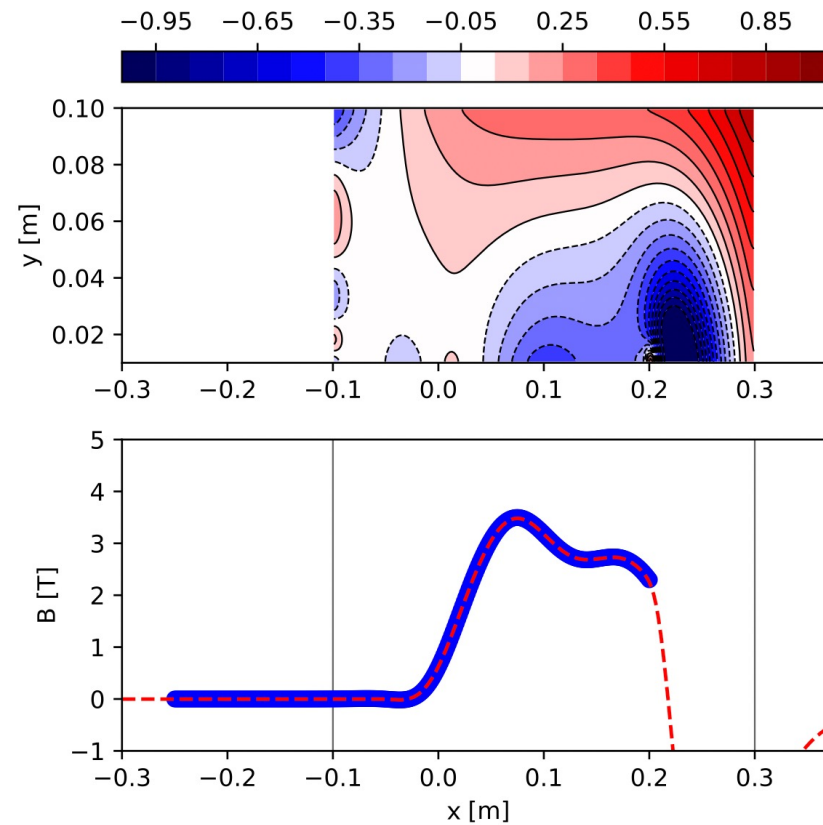
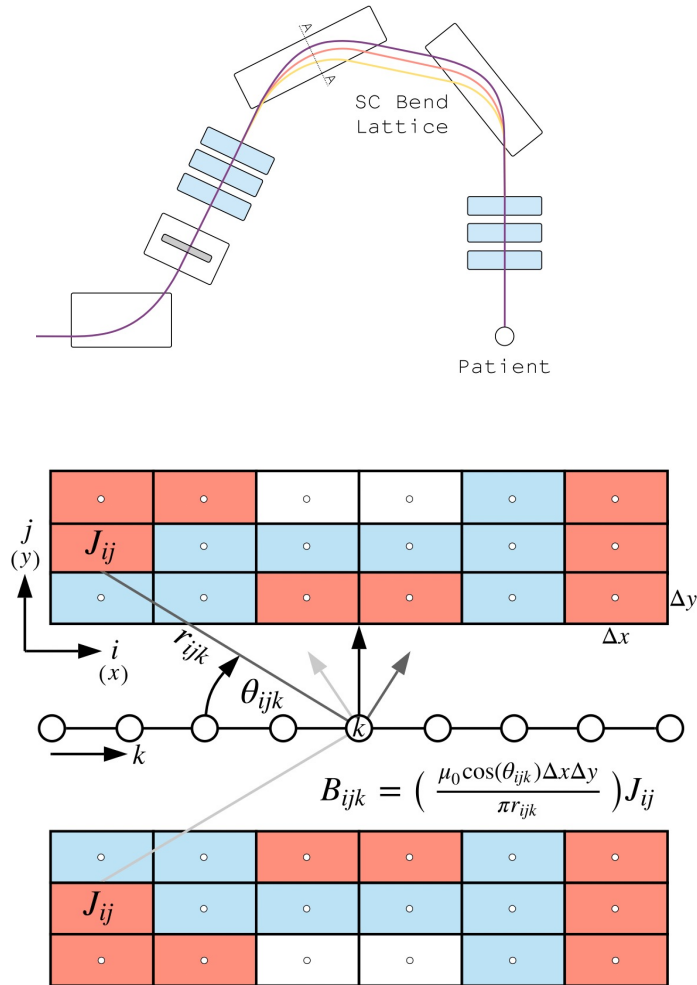
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# Coil design

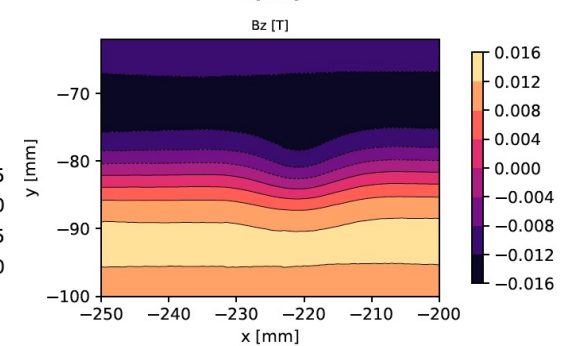
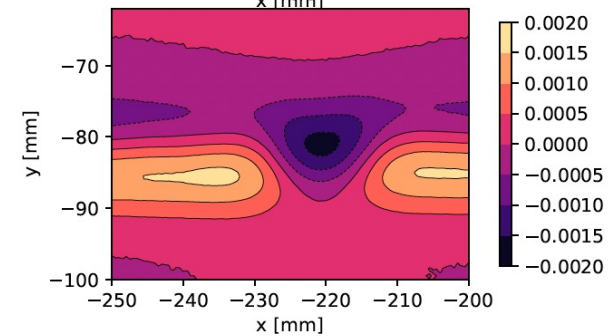
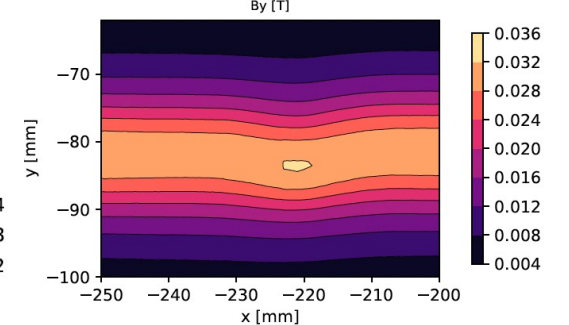
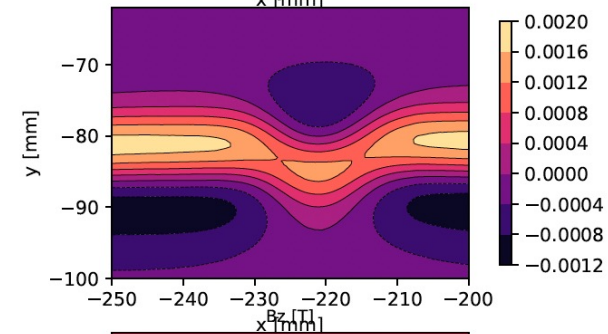
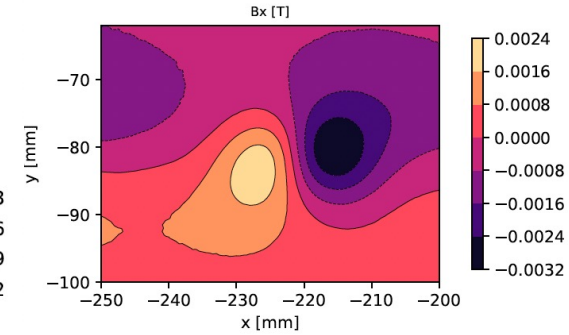
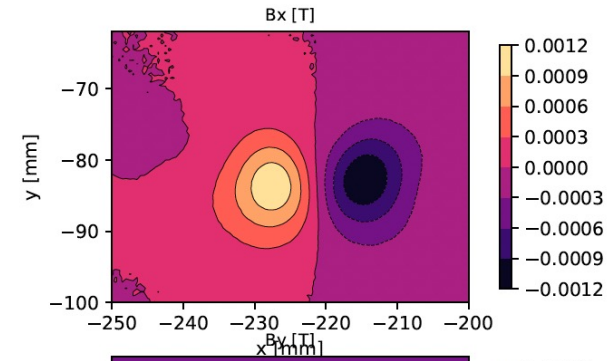
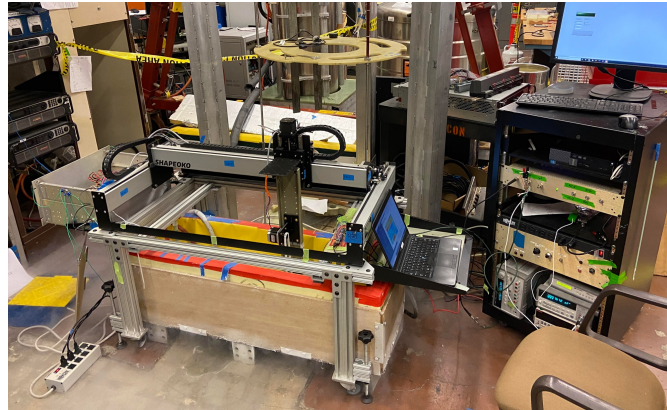
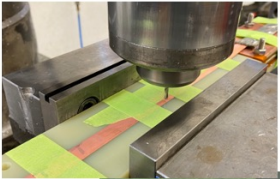
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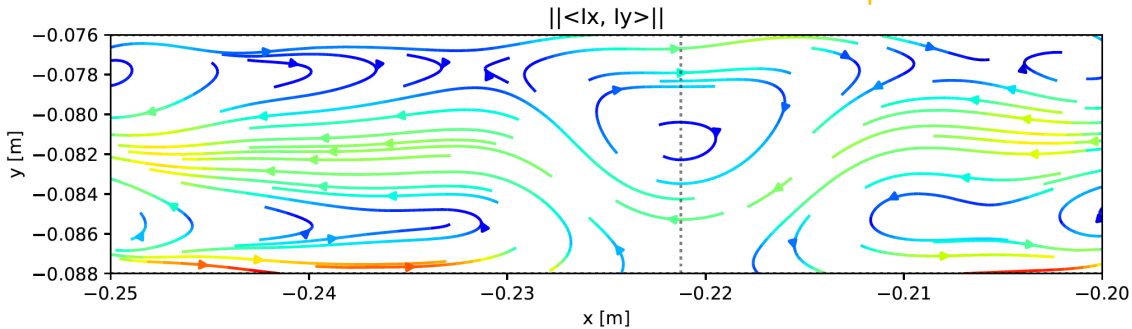
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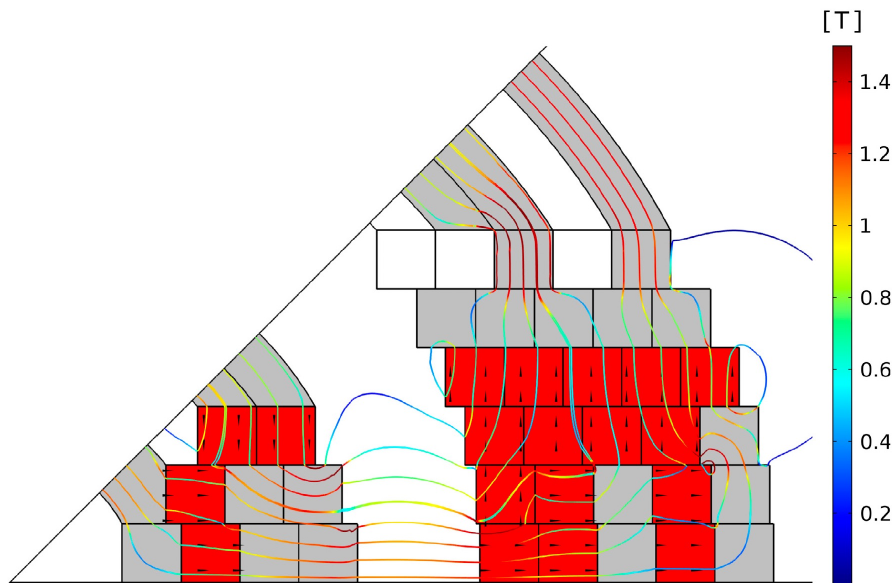
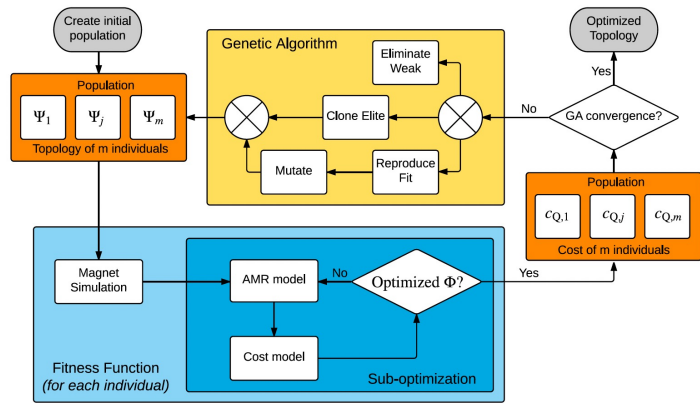
# Tape current reconstruction



Current recreation calculated on Lawrencium supercluster



# Cost-optimal magnet synthesis



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