
Stability and Protection of CICC's An Updated Designer's View

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Focus on: **stability & protection of CICC's**

☞ new features:

cooling channel(s), hybrid cables

☞ new operating conditions:

superfluid helium

☞ new understanding and phenomena

helium *bath* temperature changes, RRL, THQB

Update consequently the design procedures and criteria

Stability

- well-cooled regime
- recovery temperature
- current distribution
- hybrid cables
- cooling channel(s)
- superfluid helium

Protection

- hot-spot temperature
- maximum pressure
- q-I diagram
- THQB
- normal voltage
- cooling channel(s)

An example

☞ cable space cross section A_{CS}



helium

A_{he}

$$f_{he} = A_{he}/A_{CS}$$



stabiliser

A_{stab}

$$f_{stab} = A_{stab}/A_{CS}$$



superconductor

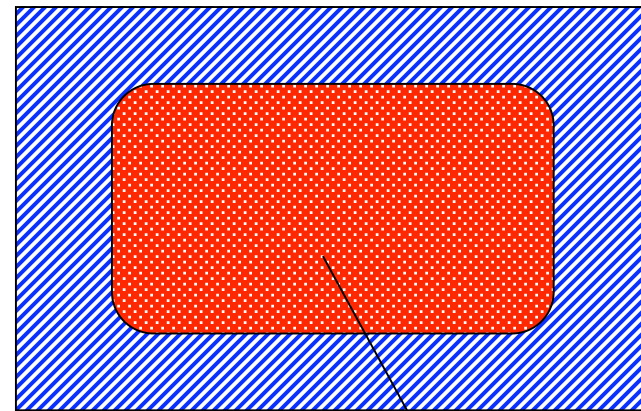
A_{SC}

$$f_{SC} = A_{SC}/A_{CS}$$

$$f_{he} + f_{stab} + f_{SC} = 1$$

$$D_h = \frac{f_{he}}{K_p (f_{stab} + f_{SC})} d$$

$$p_w = \frac{4K_p}{d} (f_{stab} + f_{SC}) A_{CS}$$



Cable space

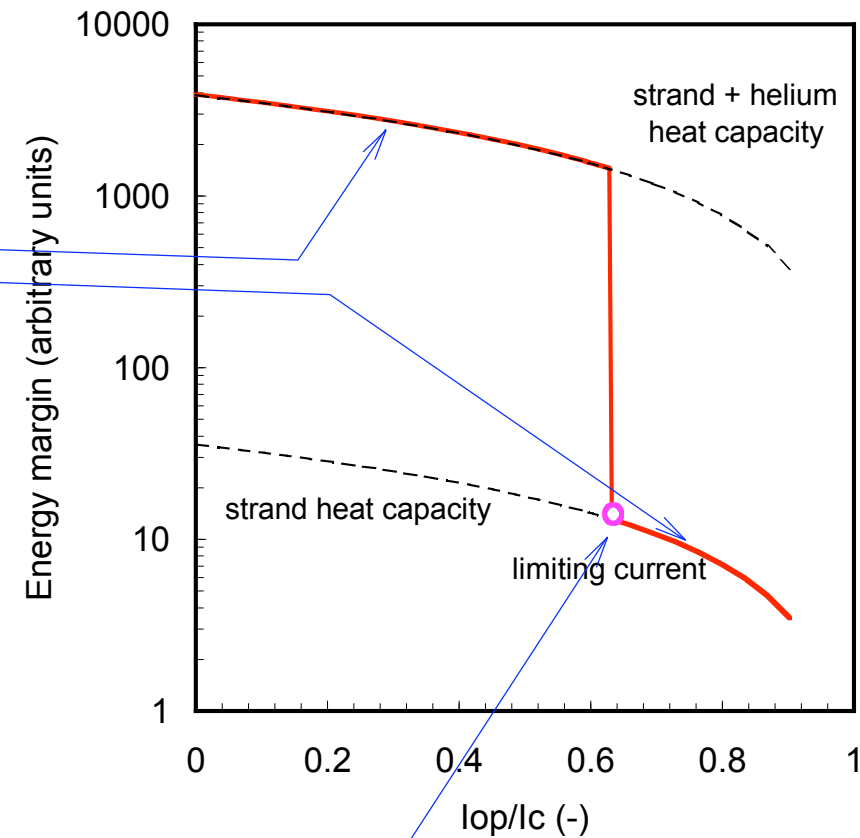
Stability - well-cooled/ill-cooled

☞ limiting current and helium heat sink

$$\Delta E_{\max} = \int_{T_{op}}^{T_{cs}} \frac{f_{stab} C_{stab} + f_{SC} C_{SC} + f_{he} C_{he}}{(f_{stab} + f_{SC})} dT$$

$$\Delta E_{ic} \approx \int_{T_{op}}^{T_{cs}} \frac{f_{stab} C_{stab} + f_{SC} C_{SC}}{(f_{stab} + f_{SC})} dT + \frac{4K_p}{d} (T_{cs} - T_{op}) \int_0^{\tau_e + \tau_r} h dt$$

$$I_{\lim} = \sqrt{\frac{A_{stab} p_w h (T_c - T_{op})}{\rho_{stab}}}$$

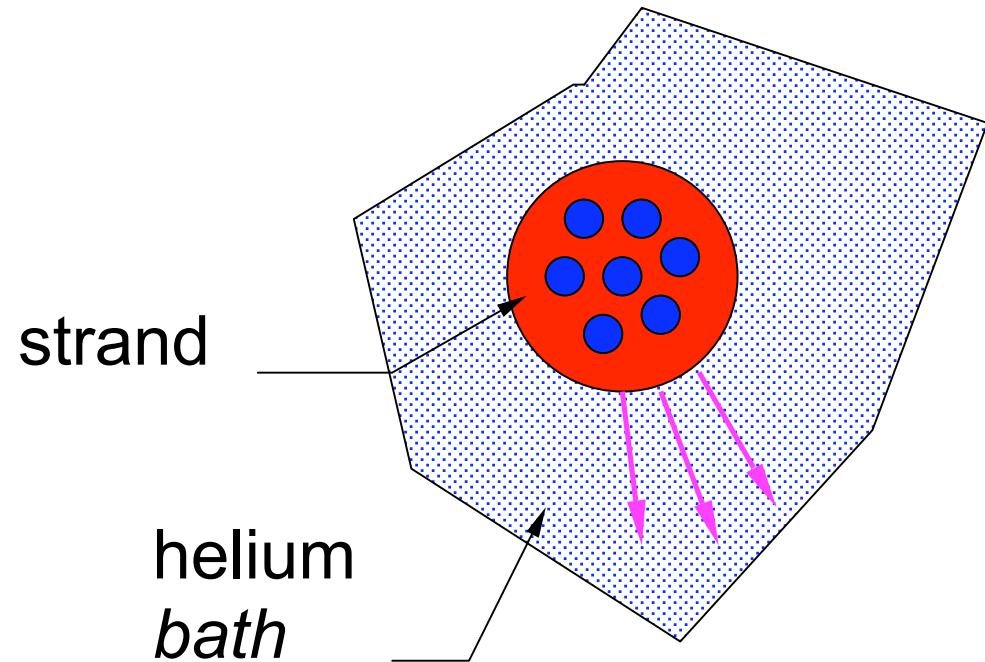


👉 recovery condition

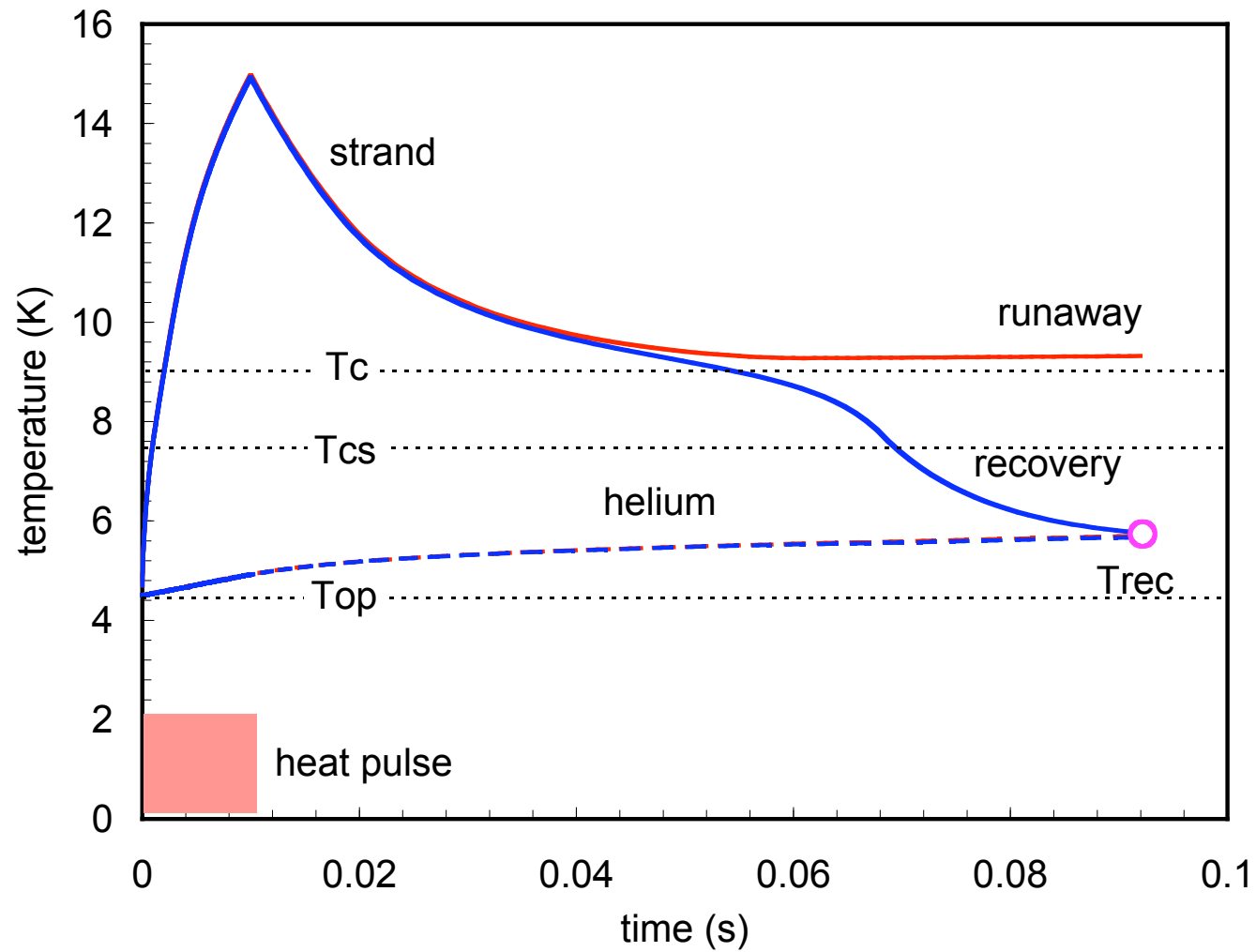
$$\frac{\rho_{stab} I_{lim}^2}{A_{stab}} = p_w h(T_c - T_{op})$$

⇓

$$J_{op} = \cos(\theta) \sqrt{f_{stab}(f_{stab} + f_{SC}) \frac{4K_p h(T_c - T_{op})}{\rho_{stab} d}}$$



Stability - recovery from a transient



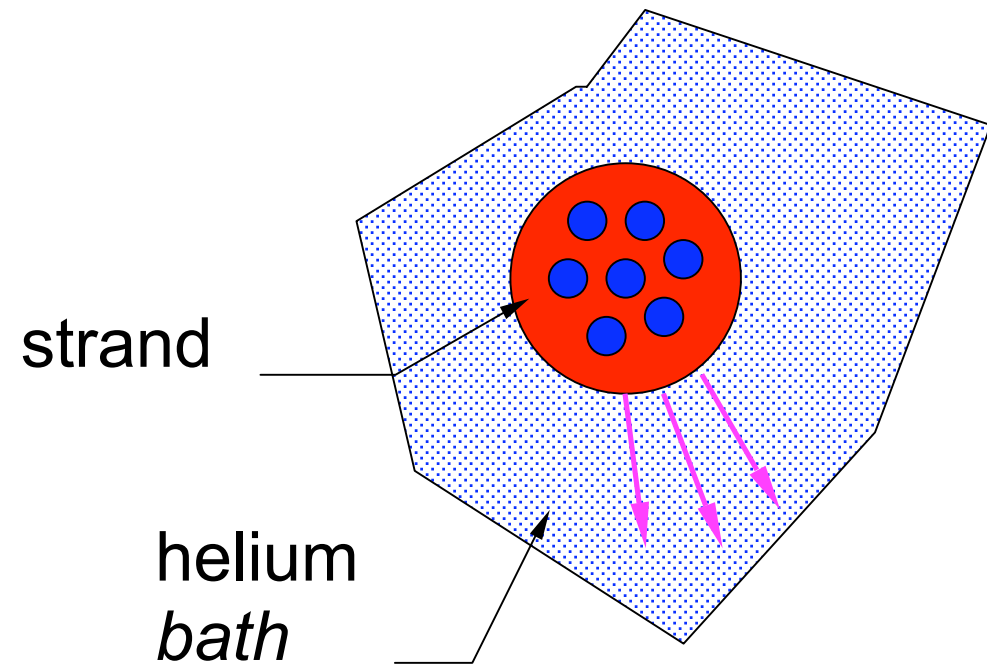
Stability - power balance revisited

👉 recovery condition:

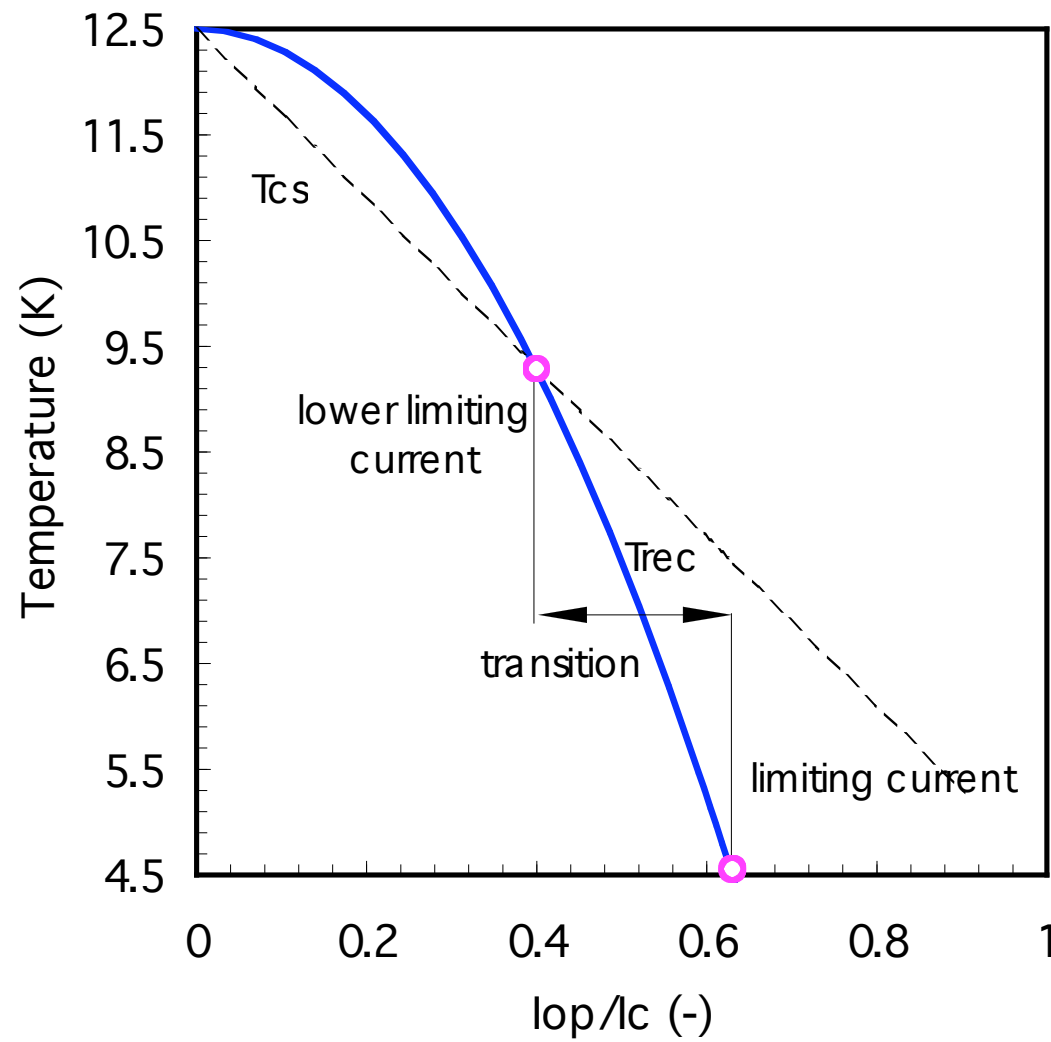
$$\frac{\rho_{stab} I_{op}^2}{A_{stab}} \leq p_w h (T_c - T_{rec})$$

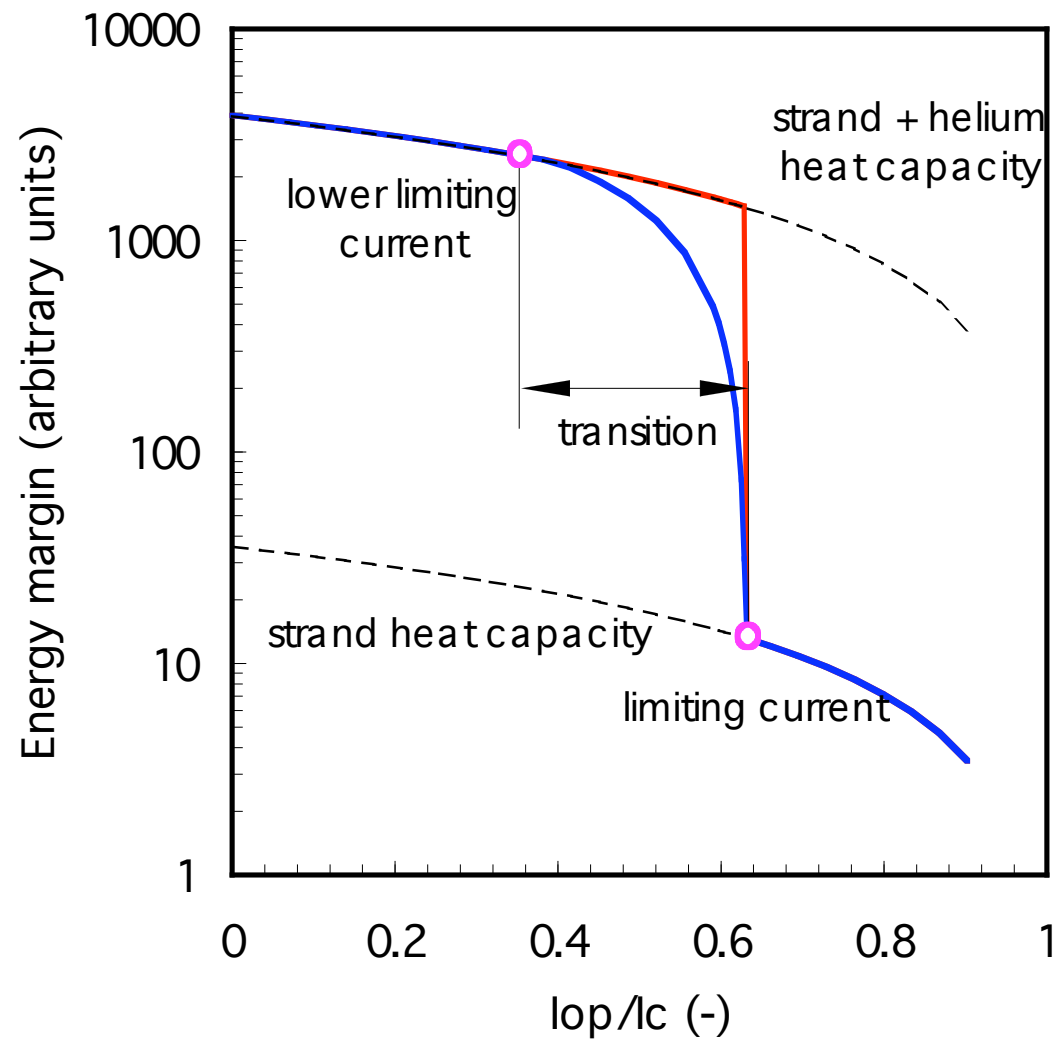
⇓

$$T_{rec} = T_c - \frac{\rho_{stab} I_{op}^2}{p_w h A_{stab}}$$



Stability - recovery temperature





Stability - lower limiting current

👉 lower limiting current

$$I_{\text{lim}}^{\text{low}} = \frac{A_{\text{stab}} p_w h (T_c - T_{\text{op}})}{\rho_{\text{stab}} I_c}$$

👉 lower limiting current density

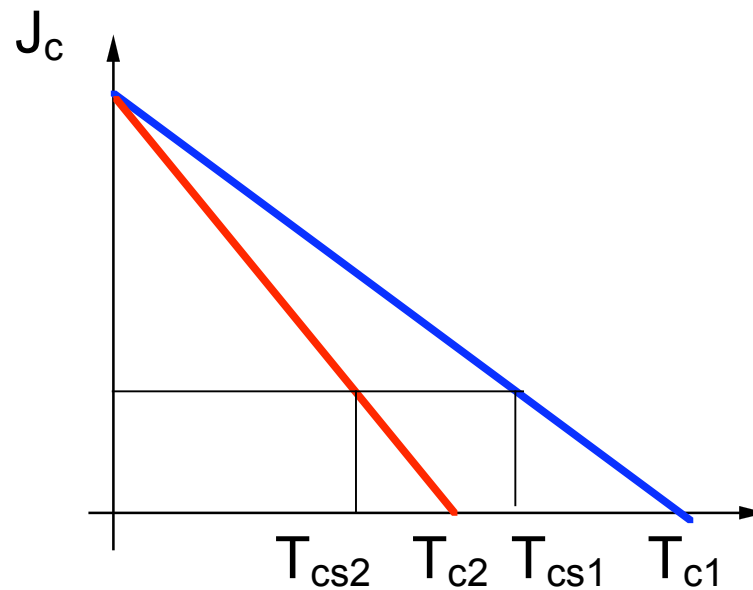
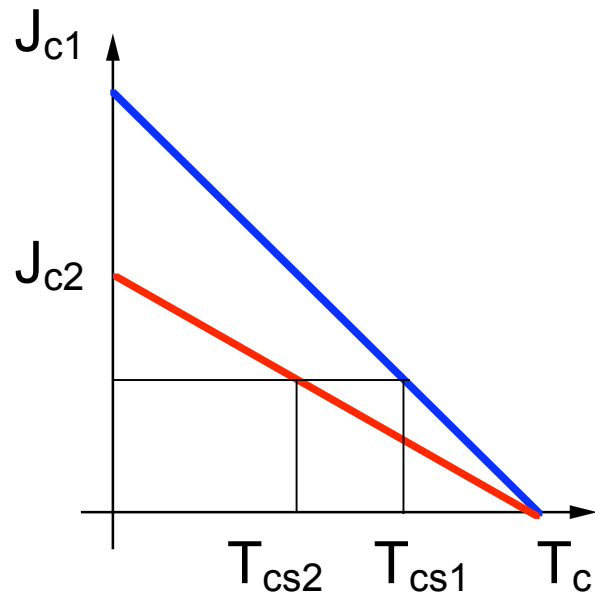
$$J_{\text{op}} = \cos(\theta) \frac{4K_p h (T_c - T_{\text{op}})}{\rho_{\text{stab}} d} \frac{f_{\text{stab}}}{J_c} \frac{f_{\text{stab}}}{f_{\text{SC}}} (f_{\text{stab}} + f_{\text{SC}}) \quad (\text{✿})$$

Recommendation: use (✿) for design: more stabilizer **BUT**
less safety margin

Stability - lower limiting current

$$J_{op} = \cos(\theta) \frac{4K_p h (T_c - T_{op})}{\rho_{stab} d} \frac{f_{stab}}{J_c} \frac{f_{stab}}{f_{SC}} (f_{stab} + f_{SC})$$

increases for $T_c \uparrow$ and $J_c \downarrow$



Stability - lower limiting current

Sample	Cu:NbTi
1	0.97
2	2.98
3	7.01

T. Ando, et al., *Investigaton of Stability in Cable-in-Conduit Conductors with Heat Pulse Duration of 0.1 to 1 ms*, Proc. ICEC 11, 756-760, 1986

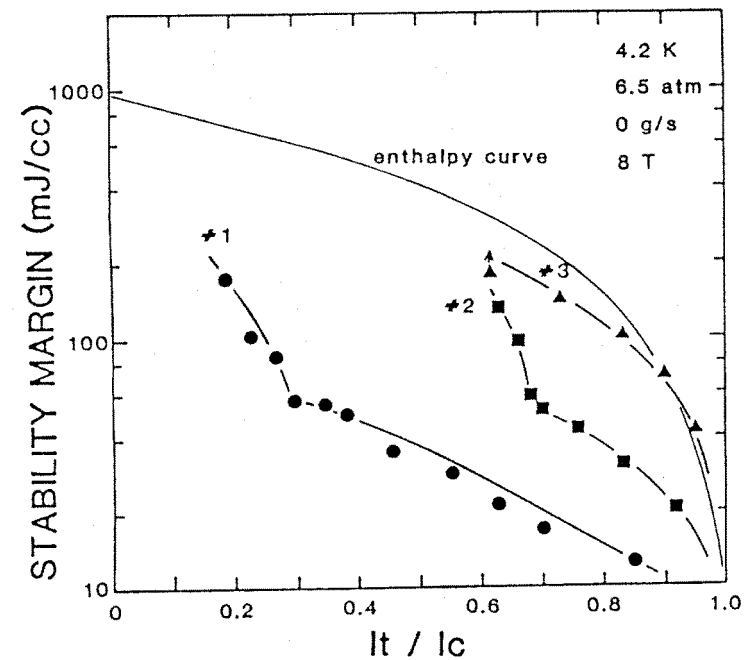
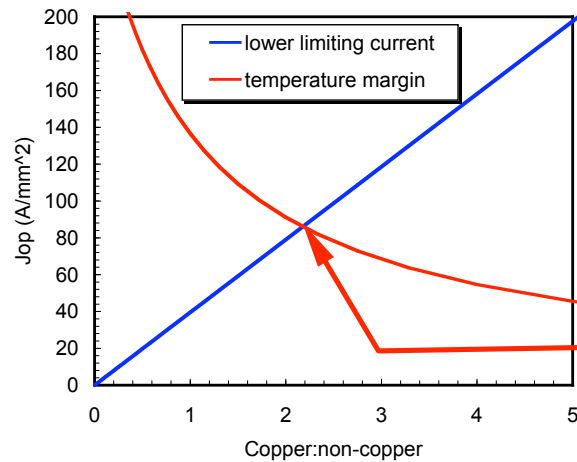


Fig. 6 Stability margin vs. fraction of critical current at different copper/NbTi rations.

Stability - maximum useful Cu:non-Cu



$$\left. \frac{f_{stab}}{f_{SC}} \right|_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\sqrt{1 + \frac{\rho_{stab} d J_c^2}{\cos(\theta) K_p h (T_c - T_{op})} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta T}{(T_c - T_{op})} \right)} - 1 \right]$$

Nb₃Sn, $\Delta T = 2\text{K}$, $B = 13\text{ T}$ ➡ max useful Cu:non-Cu ≈ 2

NbTi, $\Delta T = 2\text{K}$, $B = 7\text{ T}$ ➡ max useful Cu:NbTi ≈ 5

Stability - superfluid helium

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☞ a second (superfluid)
limiting current is present
for $\Delta E \leq 200 \text{ mJ/cm}^3$

(J.C. Lottin, J.R. Miller, IEEE Trans. Mag., **19**, 3,
439, 1983)

Stability - superfluid helium

Joule heat flux
fiducial (max) heat flux

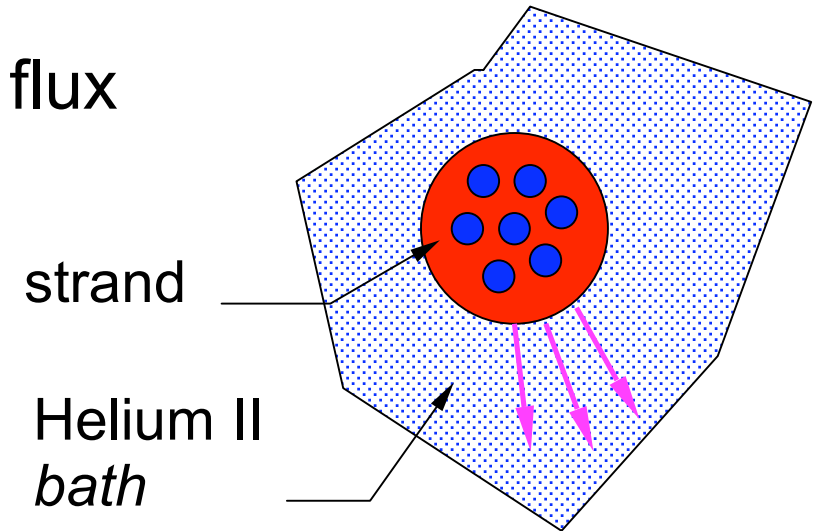
$q_J'' \ll q_*''$

☞ superfluid well-cooled regime

$$q_*'' \propto \left(\frac{K(T_\lambda - T_{op})}{l} \right)^{1/3}$$

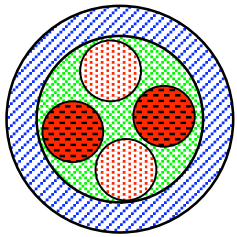
channel *length*

$$J_{op} \approx \sqrt{\frac{K^{1/3} (T_\lambda - T_{op})^{1/3}}{\rho_{stab}} \left(\frac{K_p}{d} \right)^{4/3} \frac{f_{stab} (f_{SC} + f_{stab})^{4/3}}{f_{he}^{1/3}}}$$



☞ cound cables (hybrid cables)

added stabilizer is not (always) effective for stabilization



p (bar)	T (K)	Jlim meas (A/mm ²)	Jlim with xtra Cu (A/mm ²)	Jlim w/o xtra Cu (A/mm ²)
3	4.24	44.3	70.9	30.5
4		39.3	64.3	27.7
6		35.5	57.1	24.6

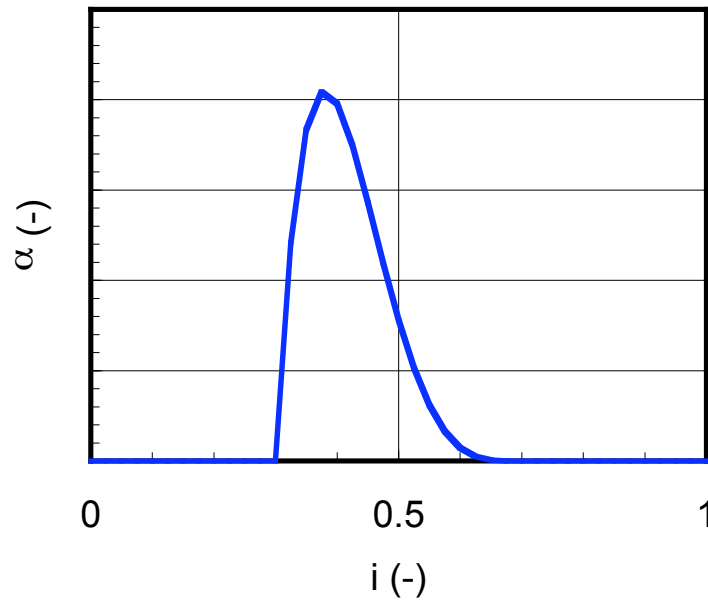
(J.R. Miller, Cryogenics, **25**, 552-557, 1985)

☞ central channel

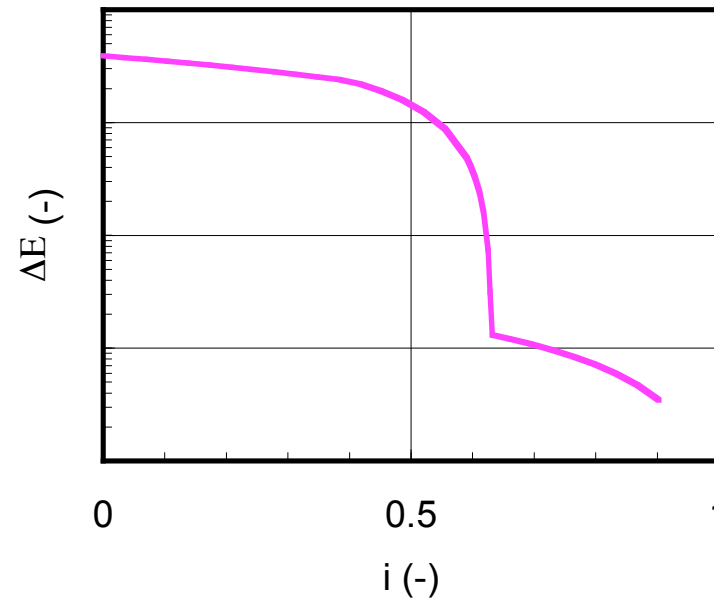
stability ? (induced flow, mass transfer, heat transfer, ...)

Stability - current distribution effects

Strand population



Energy margin



👉 $\tau_i \ll \tau_r$

collective energy margin

$\Delta E(i_{\text{average}})$

👉 $\tau_i \gg \tau_r$

worst strand energy margin

$\Delta E(i_{\text{max}})$

Stability - current distribution time and length

👉 current transfer time

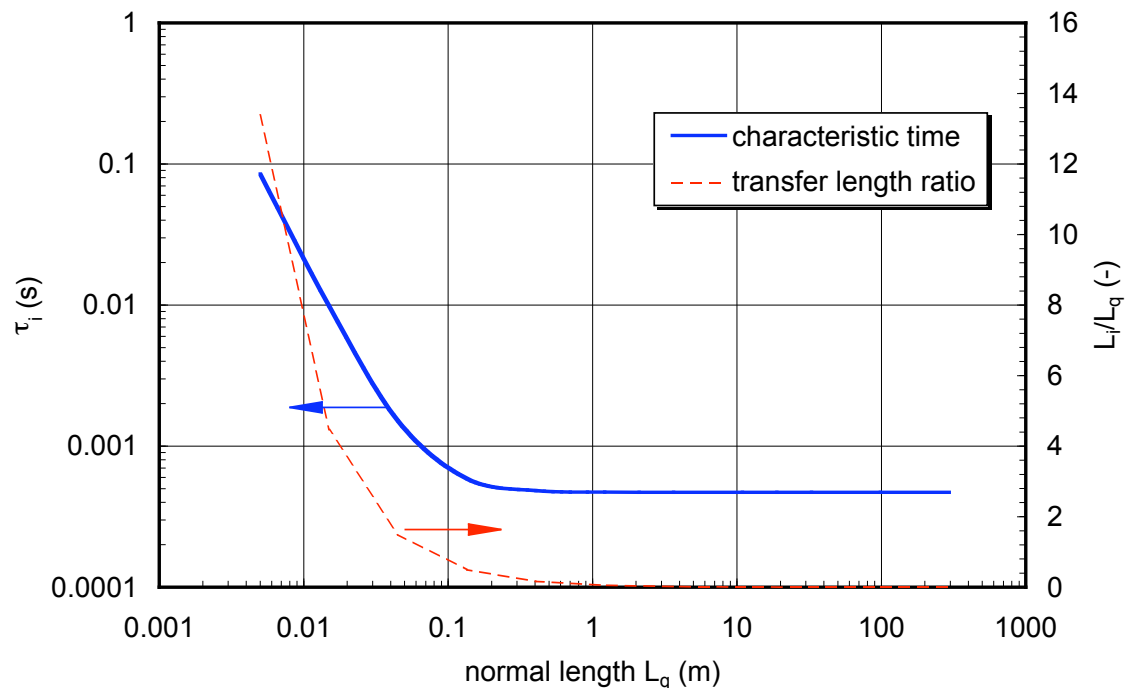
$$\tau_i \approx \begin{cases} \frac{L_i}{L_q} \frac{2L' - 2M'}{\pi R'} & L_q \ll L_i \\ \frac{2L' - 2M'}{\pi R'} & L_i \ll L_q \end{cases}$$

👉 current transfer length

$$L_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R' G'}}$$

$$G' \geq \frac{1}{L_q^2 R'}$$

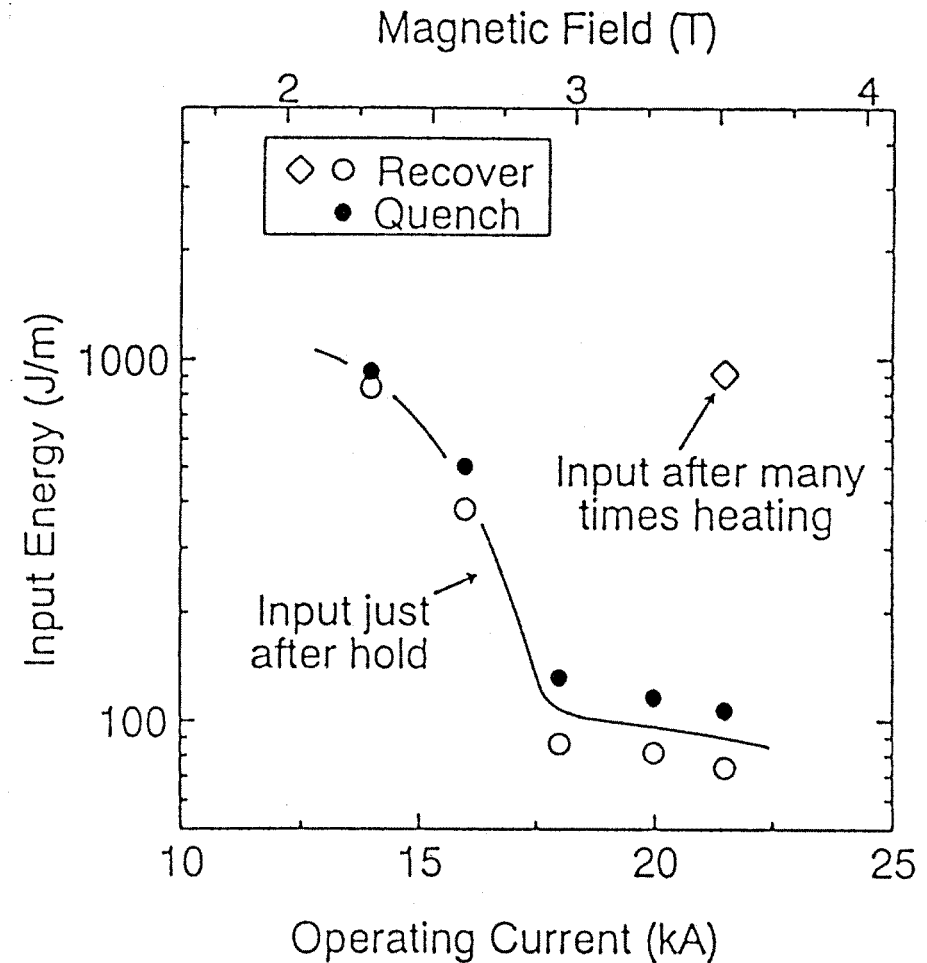
Current transfer characteristic time and length
for a CICC with $G' = 2099 + 214.7 \cdot I \cdot B$



Stability - DPC-U tests

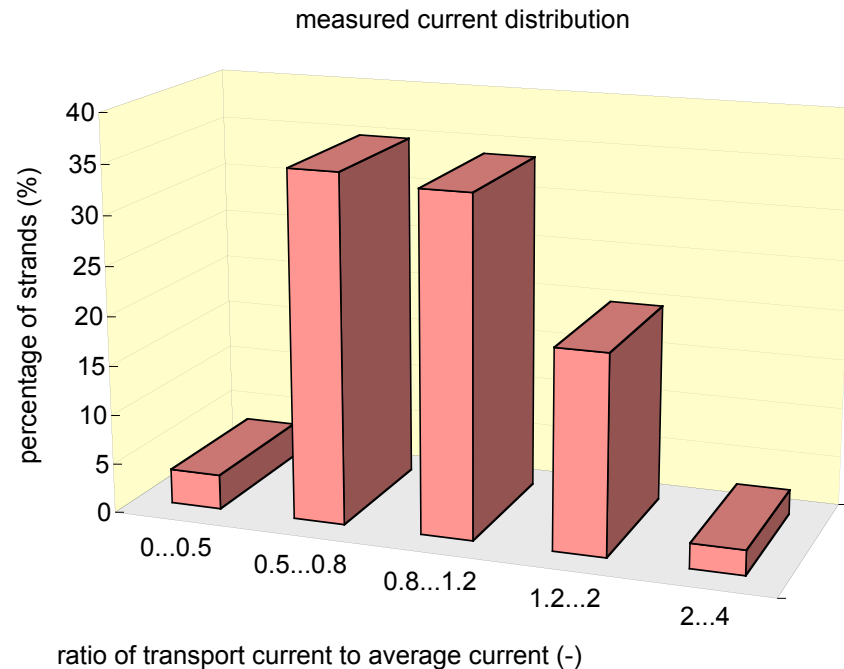
measurements of stability
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(formvar insulated strands)



N. Koizumi, et al., *Experimental Results of Stability and Current Sharing of Cable-in-Conduit Conductors for the Poloidal Field Coils*, IEEE Trans. Appl. Sup., **3**, 1, 610-613, 1993

Stability - current distribution in DPC-U



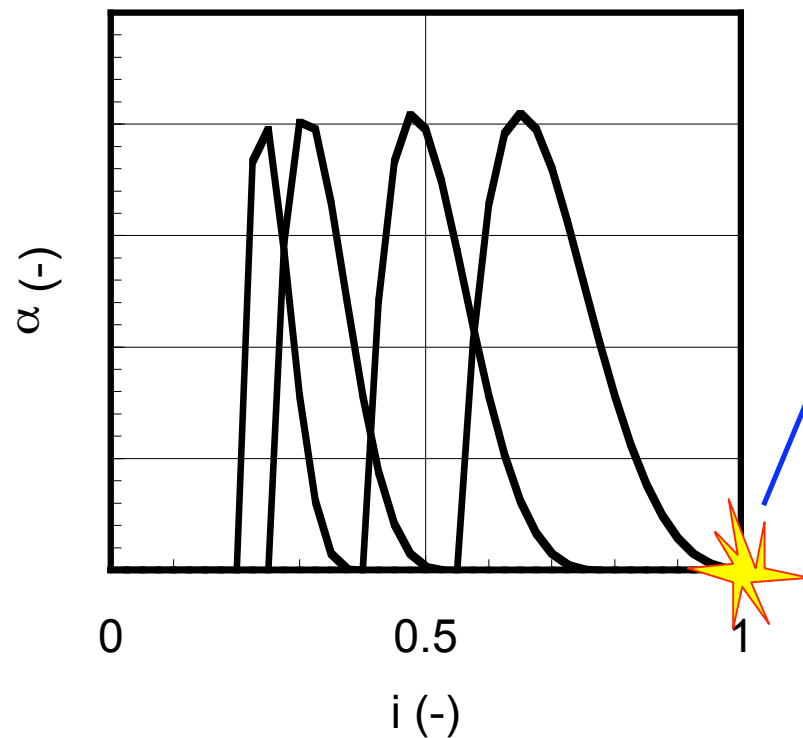
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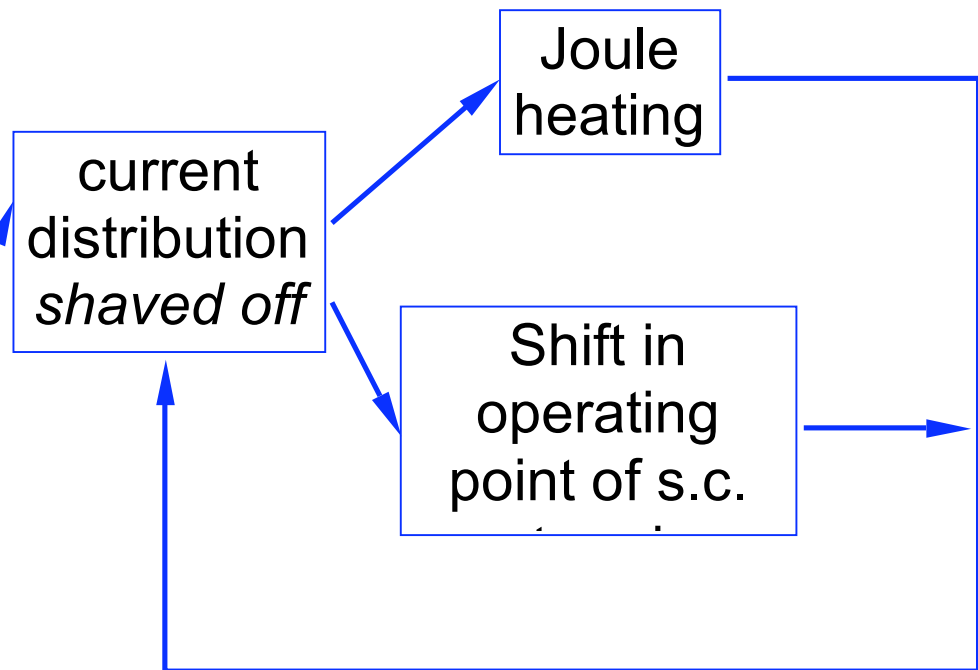
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Stability - ramp-rate limitation

☞ strand population during ramps ($i = I_{op}/I_c$)



flux-jump like phenomenon



Stability - summary of current distribution effects

Recommendations:

- ☞ conductance G : **large enough** to guarantee *collective* behaviour
- ☞ operating current I_{op} : **design below limiting current** to prevent flux-jump like driven RRL

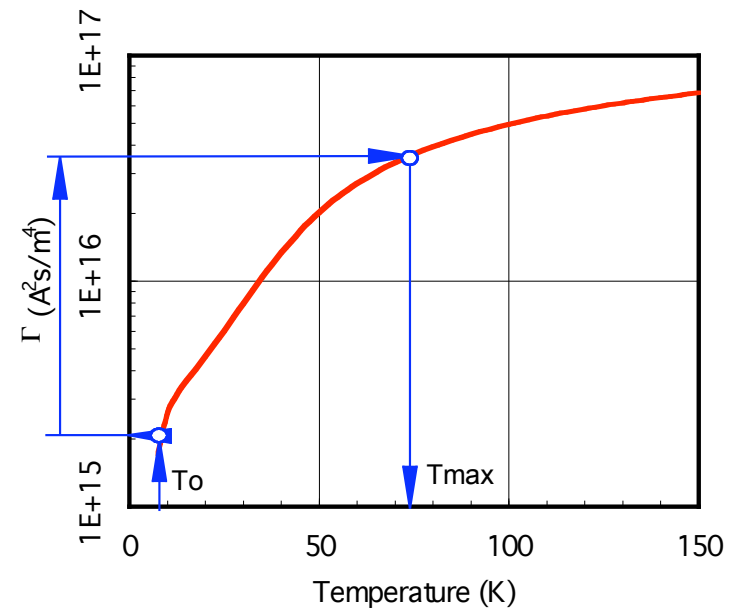
Protection - hot-spot temperature

adiabatic heat balance

$$T_m(t) \approx T_0 + \frac{J_{CS}^2}{f_{cu} \bar{\gamma}} t \quad \gamma(T) = \frac{\sum_i f_i \rho_i C_i}{\rho_{cu}}$$

$$\int_{T_0}^{T_{\max}} \gamma(T) dT = \Gamma(T_0, T_{\max}) = \frac{1}{f_{cu}} \int_0^{\infty} J_{CS}^2 dt$$

Quell conductor characteristics



Protection - quench propagation

☞ q-l diagram for quench propagation

parameters defining the quench space:

$$l = \frac{\lambda L_q}{L}$$

quench length

$$q = \frac{L_q J_{CS}^{4/3}}{\eta}$$

normal zone heating (quench strength)

definitions:

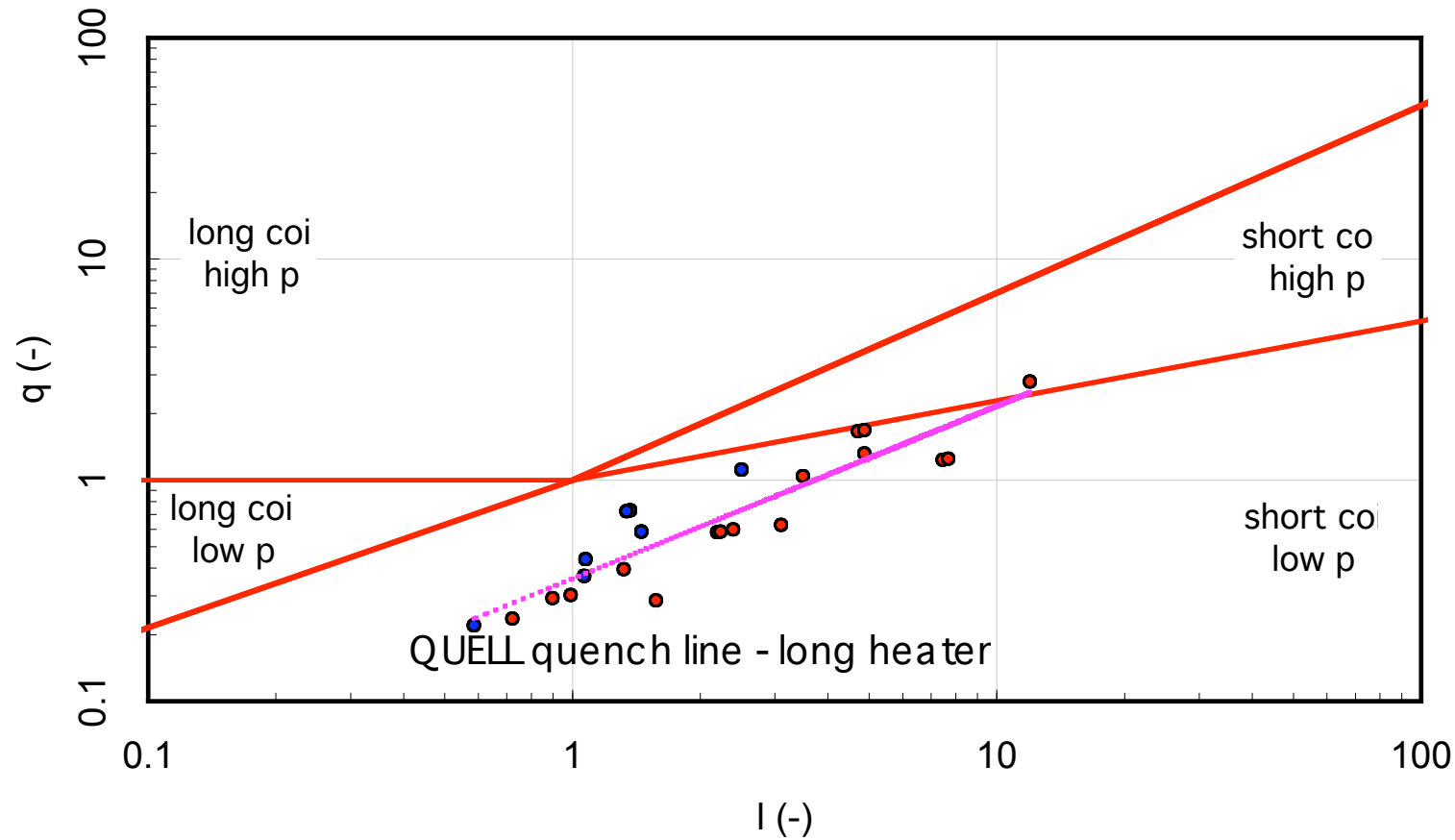
$$\lambda = 1.7 \left(\frac{\rho_0 R T_{\max}}{p_0} \right) \left(\frac{c_0^2 \rho_0}{p_0} \right)$$

$$\eta = \frac{2.6}{R} \left(\frac{p_0^5}{c_0^2 \rho_0^5 T_{\max}} \frac{D_h}{4f} f_{cu}^2 \gamma_0^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

(Shajii, Freidberg & Chaniotakis, IEEE Trans. Appl. Sup. 5, 1995)

Protection - quench propagation

Quench diagram for the QUELL sample



Protection - quench propagation

long coil, high pressure rise		short coil, high pressure rise	
regime boundary	quenchback boundary	regime boundary	quenchback boundary
$q > 1$ $q > l^{5/6}$	$q > M^{5/3}$	$q > 1.2 l^{1/3}$ $q < 1.1 l^{5/6}$	$q > \frac{l^{1/3}}{2} \left[1 + \sqrt{1 + 4(l - M)} \right]$
$v_q = 0.766 \left(\frac{f_{he} d}{2 K_p f (f_{stab} + f_{SC}) \tau_q} \right)^{\frac{1}{5}} \left(\frac{R L_q}{c_0} \frac{J_{op}^2}{f_{stab} \gamma_0} \right)^{\frac{2}{5}} \propto J_{op}^{4/5}$ $\Delta p = \frac{R \rho_0 L_q}{2 v_q} \frac{J_{op}^2}{f_{stab} \gamma_0} \propto J_{op}^{6/5}$		$v_q = \left(\frac{f_{he} d}{2 K_p f (f_{stab} + f_{SC})} \frac{R L_q}{L} \frac{J_{op}^2}{f_{stab} \gamma_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \propto J_{op}^{2/3}$ $\Delta p = \frac{R \rho_0 L_q}{2 v_q} \frac{J_{op}^2}{f_{stab} \gamma_0} \propto J_{op}^{4/3}$	
long coil, low pressure rise		short coil, low pressure rise	
regime boundary	quenchback boundary	regime boundary	quenchback boundary
$q < 0.8$ $q > l^{2/3}$	-	$q < 1.2 l^{1/3}$ $q < l^{2/3}$	$q > M^{1/3}$
$v_q = \frac{R \rho_0 L_q}{2 p_0} \frac{J_{op}^2}{f_{stab} \gamma_0} \propto J_{op}^2$ $\Delta p = 1.36 \rho_0 c_0 \left(\frac{2 K_p f (f_{stab} + f_{SC}) \tau_q v_q^3}{f_{he} d} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \propto J_{op}^3$		$v_q = \frac{R \rho_0 L_q}{2 p_0} \frac{J_{op}^2}{f_{stab} \gamma_0} \propto J_{op}^2$ $\Delta p = \left(\frac{K_p f (f_{stab} + f_{SC}) \rho_0 L}{f_{he} d} \right) v_q^2 \propto J_{op}^4$	

(Shajii, Freidberg & Chaniotakis, IEEE Trans. Appl. Sup. 5, 1995)

Protection - quench propagation

conduction at the front:

$$v_{ad} = \sqrt{\frac{J_{op}^2}{\gamma_0^2} \frac{K_{stab}}{\rho_{stab}} \frac{1}{T_{cs} - T_{op}}}$$



(Bottura, Supercond. Sci. Technol., 9, 1996)

at THQB max pressure:

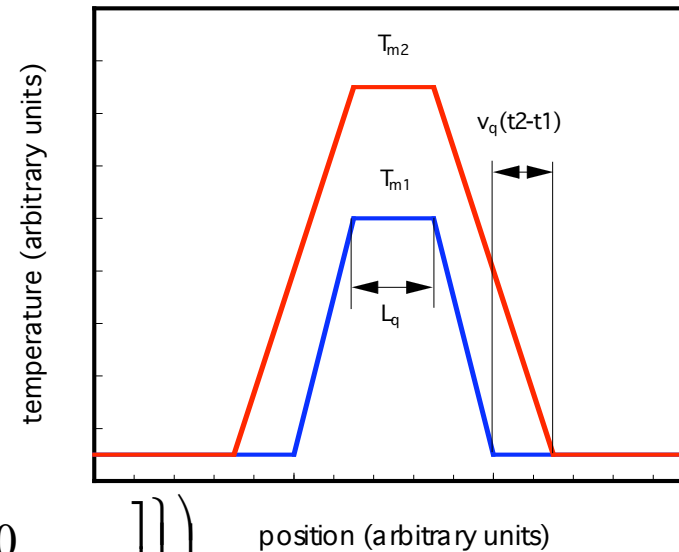
$$p_{\max} \approx 0.65 f^{0.36} \left(\frac{L^3 K_p}{d} \frac{f_{stab} + f_{SC}}{f_{stab}^2 f_{he}^3} \rho_{stab}^2 J_{op}^4 \right)^{0.36}$$

(J.R.Miller, L.Dresner, J.W.Lue, S.S.Shen, H.T.Yeh, Proc. of ICEC-8, Genova, 1980, 321-329)

Protection - quench propagation

👉 normal voltage

(approximate integration of copper resistivity, linear temperature profile)



$$V(t) \approx \frac{J_{CS}}{f_{cu}} \rho_{cu}(T_m) \left(L_q + 2v_q t \left\{ 1 - 0.3 \left[1 + \frac{T_m - 47.0}{\sqrt{289. + (T_m - 47.0)^2}} \right] \right\} \right)$$