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Electromagnetic coupling between filaments in multifilament coated conductors with finite transverse conductance

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Various systems consisting of copper-plated multifilament coated conductors

- Single tape
- Pancake coil
- Layer-wound solenoid coil
- Assembled conductors (Roebel, CORC, etc.)



How to ensure compatibility of low AC loss and robustness against normal transition in coated conductors?





Superconductor filament

Striation blocks current sharing between filaments and affects the robustness against local normal transition.

AC loss can be reduced by striation to form multifilament structure.



If we plate copper on the entire group of filaments,

plated copper allows current sharing between filaments and improves robustness.



Filaments are coupled by coupling current, which flowing between filaments through plated copper.

At this state, AC loss cannot be reduced.



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How to decay coupling current quickly?



Twisting is the standard approach to reduce coupling time constants in round LTS wires.



Twisting flat HTS tape is far from practical method.



 $L_{\rm c}$ ~ half pitch of spiral along coated conductor ($L_{\rm p1}/2$)

 $L_{\rm c} \sim$ entire length of coated conductor $(L_{\rm s})$

SCSC cable (double "SC" cable)

Spiral Copper-plated Striated Coated-conductor cable



Key issues of electromagnetic field analyses of SCSC cable consisting of copper-plated multifilament coated conductors

- 3D geometry of thin superconductor layer of coated conductor in a cable.
- Finite electric field (E) current density (J) characteristics of superconductors
- Transverse conductance between filaments

Particular issue in copper-plated multifilament coated conductors





Governing equation formulated by using *T* and thin-strip approximation / constitutive equation



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Thin strip approximation of copper-plated multifilament coated conductor



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Specifications of analyzed and measured samples

Sample-ID	20210212-1	Sample-ID	20210226-1
Shape	Longitudinally aligned straight tapes	Shape	Single-layer spirally wound tapes
Tape length	20 mm	C length	99 mm
Number of tapes	5	Core diameter	3 mm
Space between tapes	1 mm	Tape number per layer	1
Sample length	104 mm	Winding angle	55°
$J_{\rm c}$ (A/m ²)	2.08 × 10 ¹⁰	J _c (A/m ²)	2.08 × 10 ¹⁰
n-value	28.4	n-value	17.4



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A general expression of coupling loss

$$Q_{\rm c} = A_{\rm c} \cdot \frac{\mu_0 {H_{\rm m}}^2}{2} \frac{2\pi f \tau_{\rm c}}{(2\pi f \tau_{\rm c})^2 + 1}$$

• $A_{\rm c}$ is determined by the geometry.

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$$Q_{\rm c}$$
 at peak = $A_{\rm c} \cdot \frac{\mu_0 H_{\rm m}^2}{4}$

- $\tau_{\rm c}$ is determined by the transverse conductance and self inductance of coupling current loop.
 - $f_{\rm c} = 1/2\pi \tau_{\rm c}$ gives the peak of $Q_{\rm c} f$ curve.







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Results: spiral, 3-mm diameter core





Results: straight, 20 mm × 5 tapes



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Summary

- Our numerical model can reproduce the measured coupling loss following a Debye curve using only one fitting parameter: transverse conductance of striation by thin strip model.
- More detailed discussion is needed for the nature of transverse conductance of striation in order to use thin strip approximation better.

