

# Q- Increase or Q- slope ? (medium field) Origin of dissipations



# Fashion week... New 2013 model







- Surface electric field only penetrates the oxides not the superconductor
- Exchange of electrons within one RF period yields an electric surface resistance proportional to *f*
- Within the energy gap 2 $\Delta$  there are no states available  $\rightarrow$  Threshold effect



Peak magnetic field on sample surfaceBp in mT

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Peak electric field on sample surface Ep in MV/m

### Origin of medium field losses

The new study leading to the deconvolution in Rbcs(B) and RO(B) [1] allows to draw some important new conclusions on the origin of the low and medium field RF losses:

- **1.** Both residual resistance and BCS resistance contribute to MFQS
- Thermal feedback plays almost no role in avg performing 1.3 GHz cavities (below lambda point)
- Roughness plays a role: BCP causes more MFQS than EP (manifests as residual)
- 4. 120C bake enhances the MFQS by making the BCS component strongly field dependent
- Reverse field dependence is possible! Impurity doping leads to a BCS resistance decreasing with field, reaching BCS values previously unseen in our niobium

[1] A. Romanenko and A.Grassellino, Appl. Phys. Lett. 102, 252603 (2013)





#### Origin of low and medium field losses – BCS component 1. EP, BCP: clean limit $\rightarrow$





- High low field value bc of large mfp
- No Q-slope bc of no  $\Delta(H)$
- 2. 120C bake: dirty limit  $\rightarrow$ 
  - Lower low field value bc of low mfp
  - Strong field dependence bc of Δ(H) (bc of dirty limit)
- 3. Nitrogen baked: Intermediate purity  $\rightarrow$ 
  - Lower low field value bc of low mfp
  - Decrease bc of  $\lambda(B)$ ? Or is nitrogen
    - a better dopant?



### Origin of low and medium field losses – residual part





- 1. Hydrides:
  - Low field: yes (hydrides always present as shown via cryogenic TEM by Trenikhina and Romanenko, residual consistently <1 nΩ in annealed as last step cavities demostrated at FNAL)
  - Field dependence: yes (see second cooldown Rs(B))
- 2. (Macro)Roughness (BCP vs EP):
  - Low field: no
  - Field dependence: yes
- 3. Trapped flux:
  - Low field: yes
  - Field dependence: yes, linear
  - Oxide and suboxides:
    - Low field: maybe (increase in 120C localized in first ~ 3 nm)
    - Field dependence: not clear

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### Trapped flux produces a linear field dependence [R<sub>0</sub>(B)]



Benvenuti, Calatroni et al, Proceedings of the 1997 Workshop on RF Superconductivity, Abano Terme (Padova), Italy





# Hydrogen affects the field dependence of residual resistance: example second cooldown





#### Quadrupole Resonator measurements on one bulk niobium sample



All curves can be fitted by  $Rs(T,B)=Rs(T)\cdot c \cdot (B/Bc)^2$  with c=10.2+/-2.5 independent on T and f

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#### ITE fit can explain cavity data

Example: Early HIE Isolde QWR measurement (100 MHz)



# **Summary on medium field Q-slope**

Combined results of surface resistance measurements on samples and cavities allow to conclude:

- 1. There are temperature dependent and independent contributors to the medium field *Q*-slope.
- 2. The temperature dependent surface resistance factorizes in a temperature and a field dependent part like  $Rs(T,B)=Rs(T)\cdot c \cdot (B/Bc)^2$ , where c is a constant independent of T and f. These losses can be correlated to the surface magnetic field.
- 3. Often a surface resistance increasing above a threshold field, saturating at higher field is observed. Quadrupole Resonator measurements give evidence that these losses are caused by the surface electric field and the interface tunnel exchange model can provide a good fit to the data with physically meaningful parameters.



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### Dissipation Mechanisms in SRF Cavities from Tunneling and Raman Spectroscopies

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#### No Singular Theme: Multimodal Processes

- Nb Oxide is NOT a benign dielectric (defective, variable conductivity, variable barrier strength, locally magnetic, source of <u>De-Pairing</u>)
- Hot Spots/ Cold Spots differ in the area <u>density</u> of macroscopic surface blemishes (etch pits, rough pits, patches of excess C, O, H)
- Very Best regions show ideal Nb gap, ideal oxide/interface, no depairing
- Surprises: NbC inclusions (50 nm 1 μm) (Raman/TEM/EELS)



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### Tunneling in Cavity Hot Spots

Z Barrier Strength



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Hot Spots show distribution of Gaps as low as 1.0 meV.

Important  $R_s \sim e^{-\Delta/kT}$ 

Areas of reduced T<sub>c</sub>

Origin? NbH, NbC, Proximity Effects, magnetism?

Need new probes! Measure local gap, composition, structure

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Spin flip tunneling (zero bias peak)



Hot spots show regions of Kondo tunneling - magnetic moments in the oxide!

Is the origin of Pairbreaking  $\Gamma$ Magnetic moments in oxide?

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### Raman/SEM Mapping of Surface Blemishes





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