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Abstract — A 40 mm bore 211 T/m quadrupole magnet has been designed and tested at LBL. There are 8 coils of 30 strand cable arranged in 2 layers in a $\cos 2\theta$ distribution, supported by 18 mm thick collars, preassembled into 146 mm long packs, and rigidly aligned in a cold-iron yoke. The design, construction details, and test results are given for three 1 m models and the first 5 m model.

I. INTRODUCTION

Each ring of the SSC Collider has 832 5-m long quadrupole magnets. Magnet parameters and cable specifications are described in Ref. 1. Operating gradient is 211 T/m at 6500 A in a 40 mm coil bore. We have designed, constructed, and tested 1 m and 5 m models of the quadrupoles.

II. COILS

The windings are arranged in a two-layer " $\cos 2\theta$ " pattern around a circular bore as shown in Fig. 1 with 8 inner turns and 13 outer turns. The cable has a 1.2 degree "keystone;" wedge-shaped copper spacers are inserted at the locations shown for two reasons: to provide a "Roman arch" structure without internal support, as well as a uniform quadrupole field. Details of the coil crosssection are given by Caspi [2].

Coils are wound with 135 N conductor tension. At each end turn, 0.1 mm of additional Kapton insulation is added by hand-wrapping and about 0.1 mm of fiberglass cloth, partially impregnated with B-stage epoxy, is added to the inside and outside of a small region of the ends for mechanical reinforcement. The coils are then placed in a fixture and compressed to about 70 MPa azimuthally and 9 kN force axially, while being heated to 130 C in a mold. During heating, the coil is compressed to its final size and the epoxy is polymerized which makes the coil sufficiently self supporting to be removed from the winding fixture and assembled.

Much of the complexity and difficulty in design and construction of 40-mm bore quadrupoles with "wide" cable is

in the coil ends; end turns must be appropriately spaced to give uniform gradient in an integral sense [3], and to limit the maximum field at the windings; in addition, the spacers must be accurately shaped to give good mechanical support to the cable. All of the models tested to date have the same basic end design in which the inner coil lead has severe bends in the high-field region as it exits from the coil; in addition, in this region, the lead support structure was shaped by hand. In later models, built but not yet tested, the ends have been redesigned to eliminate sharp bends, and the need for "hand shaping," thus achieving better cable support. Figure 2 shows a new set of coil end parts for the two layers. Note the slot in the split pole piece for the lead. The design of each end turn follows an approximate "constant perimeter" shape for ease of fabrication; final adjustment of the shape is determined empirically from model coils.

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Fig. 1 Crosssection cut from 1 m model QC1.

Voltage taps are installed at the ends of each pole turn of each coil so that the precise origin of quenches can be determined.

The eight coils are assembled on a temporary horizontal mandrel and preshaped Kapton sheets are installed between layers and on the outer coil surfaces for electrical insulation.

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III. COLLARS

Structural support is provided by interlocking collars, preassembled for ease of assembly, into 146 mm long collar "packs," fastened with pins, and glued with epoxy to keep them straight. There are two symmetrical collar lamination shapes; the larger lamination has keyways and is stacked alternately with the small lamination which provides uniform continuous support of the windings at the pole turns. The small lamination is 0.1 mm thicker to provide a small clearance between the large, interleaved laminations for ease of assembly. Structural analysis of this collar is given by D. Dell'Orco [4].

Fig. 2 Set of inner and outer lead end spacers.

Fig. 3 End view of the quadrupole collaring press showing 4 main collaring platens (each driven by 3 cylinders) and 4 key-insertion platens (each driven by 7 cylinders).

Figure 3 shows a crosssection of the collaring press. The coil is first collared to half of final prestress by inserting the keys halfway; the end structure is then added; finally in a

second operation the keys are fully inserted and prestress increased to about 40 MPa. This two-step procedure limits the maximum stress concentration that would result if each collar pack reached full prestress in a single step while the coils immediately adjacent to the collar pack remained unloaded.

Fig. 4 Longitudinal cross-section of the magnet end showing the coil end support structure and splice plates.

Figure 4 shows a crosssection of the magnet end. An aluminum ring (Tapered End Clamp) applies preload to the coils through a tapered fiberglass-epoxy End Insulator. The taper of the End Insulator (collet) is matched to the taper of the Tapered End Clamp in an effort to keep the radial preload uniform. The radial preload is applied by axially squeezing the Tapered End Clamp onto this tapered End Insulator. The End Insulator has 4 identical azimuthal sections in order to provide easy access and support for the cables leading out to splice plates (where all layer-to-layer and quadrant-to-quadrant splicing is accomplished). Channels are provided in the End Insulator for the safe egress of strain gage and voltage tap leads (not required in production models). Upcoming models will have the Tapered End Clamp secured to the Yoke End Plate (via the Retaining Ring shown).

IV. YOKE

The 267 mm diameter iron yoke laminations are assembled into 146 mm long sections or blocks (later models have 460 mm blocks); a thin layer of epoxy adhesive between laminations provides rigidity. At each end of the magnet, a 5 cm long solid yoke block is used (Fig. 4). To assemble the cold mass, the lower half of the yoke is placed in the lower half of the 4.7 mm thick stainless steel "skin;" the collared coil is set into place followed by the upper yoke and skin. The collars are centered in the yoke by tabs, which fit keyways in the yoke, contacting the yoke only on the two sides of the keyway; thus the collar is accurately centered while remaining free to deform with magnet loading or thermal contraction. Figure 5 shows the cold mass crosssection. At 46 cm intervals along the magnet, there is an opening in the shell to allow an alignment key (attached to

the tooling - not shown) to engage a keyway in the yoke blocks shown in Figures 5 and 6. These keys ensure that the yoke blocks have accurate azimuthal alignment along the entire length. The azimuthal twist variations of QCC-401 (first 5 m model) was less than 0.22 mrad after release from the welding press.

After welding, a key (shown in Fig. 6) is engaged with the keyway and welded in place, sealing the shell opening; a permanent fiducial feature is attached to the key for surveying.

Fig. 5 Crosssection of the cold mass.

Fig. 6 Cutaway section of the cold mass showing the yoke alignment key.

After the skin is welded, an axial load of about 22 kN is applied directly to the coil end by jack screws, compressing the magnet end axially between the End Plate and the Yoke End Plate (which is solidly gripped by the shell). Electrical connections are then made between the eight coils by soldering lead pairs. Each cable pair is tightly supported by channels machined into an insulating (epoxy glass) splice plate.

V. TESTING

The cold mass is tested in a horizontal test cryostat in static liquid helium at 1 atm pressure.

Training histories for the first three 1 m models are shown in Figure 7. Only 4.3 K, 16 A/s ramp rate data is shown unless otherwise noted.

All quenches originated in the pole turn. Training quenches start predominantly in the inner coil; plateau quenches start predominantly in the outer coil (as expected [1]).

The first 1 m model, QC1 (Fig. 7a) started training at 6809 A, well above the maximum expected operating current (6500 A); it reached a plateau at 7988 A at 4.3 K and 9908 A at 1.8 K; after the first thermal cycle, there were three retraining quenches starting at 7367 A, and no retraining after a second thermal cycle. The quenches started predominantly on the lead side of the inner pole turn near the lead end.

QC2 (Fig. 7b) trained slowly, although the second quench was at design current, and had to be retrained after each of two thermal cycles; one is shown in Figure 7b. These quenches were predominantly located in the coil end where the lead makes a sharp bend as it exits the inner turn. It was subsequently determined that this region was inadequately supported. The maximum current reached at 4.3 K was 8046 A; 1.8 K testing was stopped at 8967 A, well below the short-sample limit.

Fig. 7a,b,c Training history for the first three 1m model models QC1, QC2, and QSC-403.

QSC-403 (Fig. 7c) incorporated the above-mentioned Tapered End Clamp replacing a bolted stainless steel clamp used in QC 1 and QC 2. Voids (as discovered in an autopsy of QC 2) were filled with low-shrink epoxy. Pole-turn winding tension was maintained until coil curing was finished. There was very little training. The lower plateau current resulted from a change in cable specification.

The first 5 m magnet, QCC-401, has coil design and assembly features similar to QC 1, and an end clamping structure similar to QSC-403. It reached design current on the second quench, and had moderate training (Fig. 8) reaching 7389 A, its short-sample limit, at 4.3 K. Two quenches started in the coil ends and all but one started within 1 m of either end.

Fig. 8 Training history for 5m model QCC-401.

This quench location pattern leads us to conjecture that it might be related to details of the coil end restraint. In the second 5 m model, we added the Retaining Ring shown in Figure 4 (not present in the models tested to date) which secures the Tapered End Clamp ring to the Yoke End Plate, so that there cannot be axial motion between the collared coil and yoke/skin; without this, as the pressure is removed from the skinning press after welding, the magnet shortens by about 1.6 mm because of tensile hoop stress developed in the shell by the welding, thus causing a gap to open between the Tapered End Clamp and the Yoke End Plate.

Magnetic field measurements were made in the 1m magnets using a rotating probe with radial coils [5] operating at the magnet temperature; magnet current is limited to ± 20 A when warm. The 5 m magnets were measured with a new 42 cm long measurement coil, designed and built by Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL), using tangential coils. The probe operates in a vacuum-insulated "warm finger" in which the measuring coil is maintained at room temperature. This new tangential system was used to remeasure one of our 1m quadrupoles which had previously been measured with the radial coil system. The measurements, at room temperature, were in excellent agreement. The first cryogenic test of the new system was in QCC-401 and the results appears in Table 6 along with the 1 m model results.

Known variations in coil size are present in these first models resulting in part for the observed variations in b_5 (12 pole).

TABLE 6
HARMONIC COEFFICIENTS IN UNITS OF 10^{-4}

	I=3045A QC-1		I=3045A QC-2		I=3055A QSC-403		I=1013A QCC-401	
n	a_n	b_n	a_n	b_n	a_n	b_n	a_n	b_n
2	0.4	1.6	-0.3	-1.2	0.41	2.18	-0.34	-2.1
3	-1.52	0.20	-1.9	-0.55	0.34	-0.35	0.0	-0.38
4	0.06	-0.33	0.74	0.37	1.55	-0.63	1.69	-1.66
5	-0.16	-0.42	-0.22	-0.66	0.06	-2.29	-0.654	-4.41
6	0.08	-0.12	-0.12	-0.08	0.02	-0.01	-0.07	-0.01
9	0.00	0.11	0.02	0.06	-0.02	0.16	0	0.22

The effect of magnetization induced by persistent currents agrees well with predictions as described in Ref. [6].

VI. FUTURE PLANS

We plan to test three additional 1 m models (two with stainless steel collars) and five additional 5 m models (three with stainless steel collars) during the next 9 months; these models will incorporate a number of design improvements in the coil end region

After testing at LBL, the 5 m models will be shipped to the SSC Laboratory, installed in cryostats similar to the SSC CDM dipole cryostats, and retested.

A contract will be placed by the SSC Laboratory to design a production version of the quadrupoles (with cryostat), and to construct and test a series of production prototypes.

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