

Verification of Lorentz Force Velocimetry using a bulk HTS magnet system

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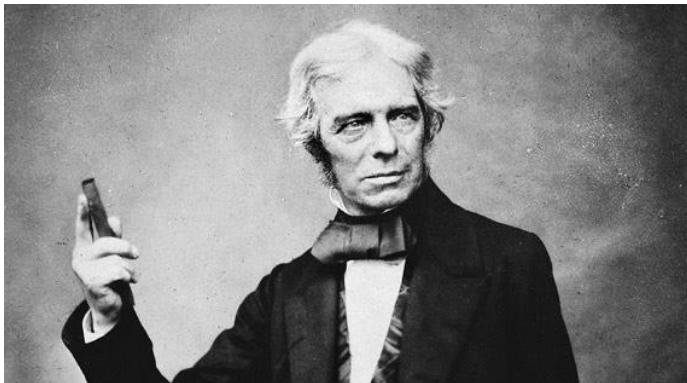


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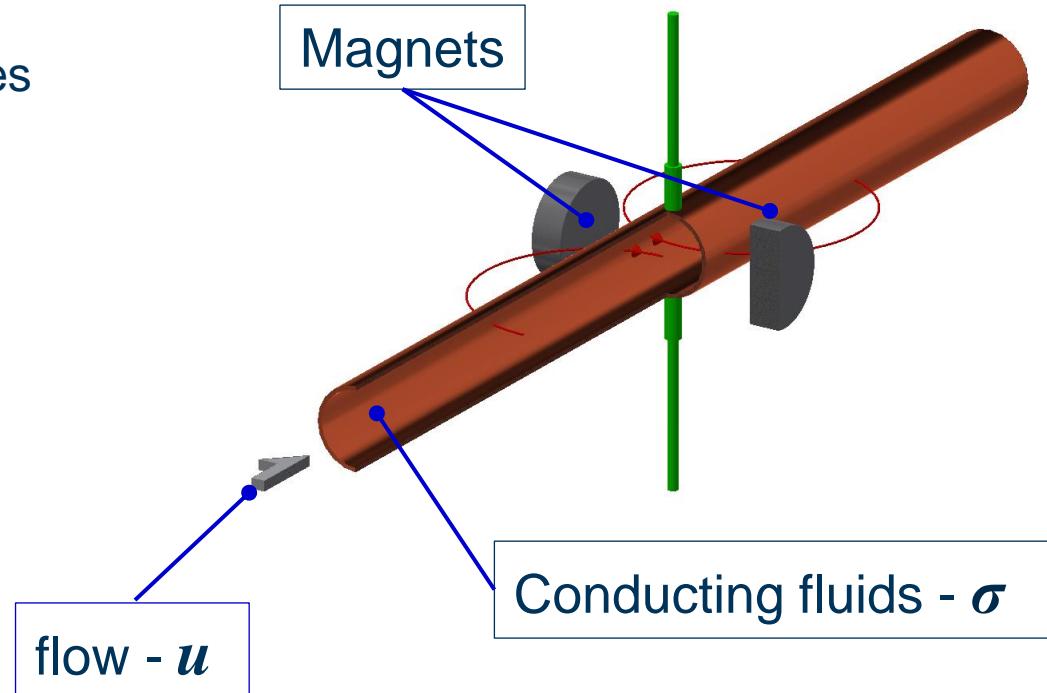
- **Introduction**
- **Fundamentals of Lorentz Force Velocimetry (LFV)**
- **LFV using bulk HTS:**
 - verification experiment
 - model
 - results
- **Toward portatable LFV meter**
- **Outlook & Conclusions**

Faraday experiment

1832 – Faraday: measured velocity of the Thames River by measuring the electric potential difference induced by its flow across Earth's magnetic field lines



Today application:
Inductive flow-meters

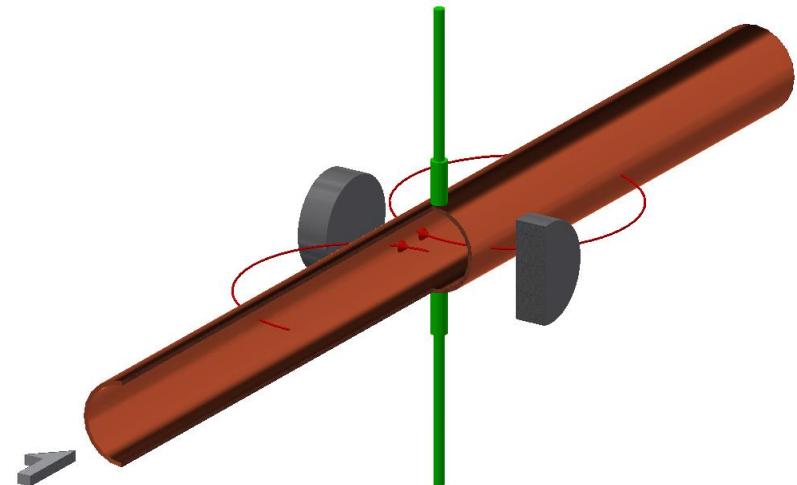


Aggressive fluids

Liquid metals



780° C



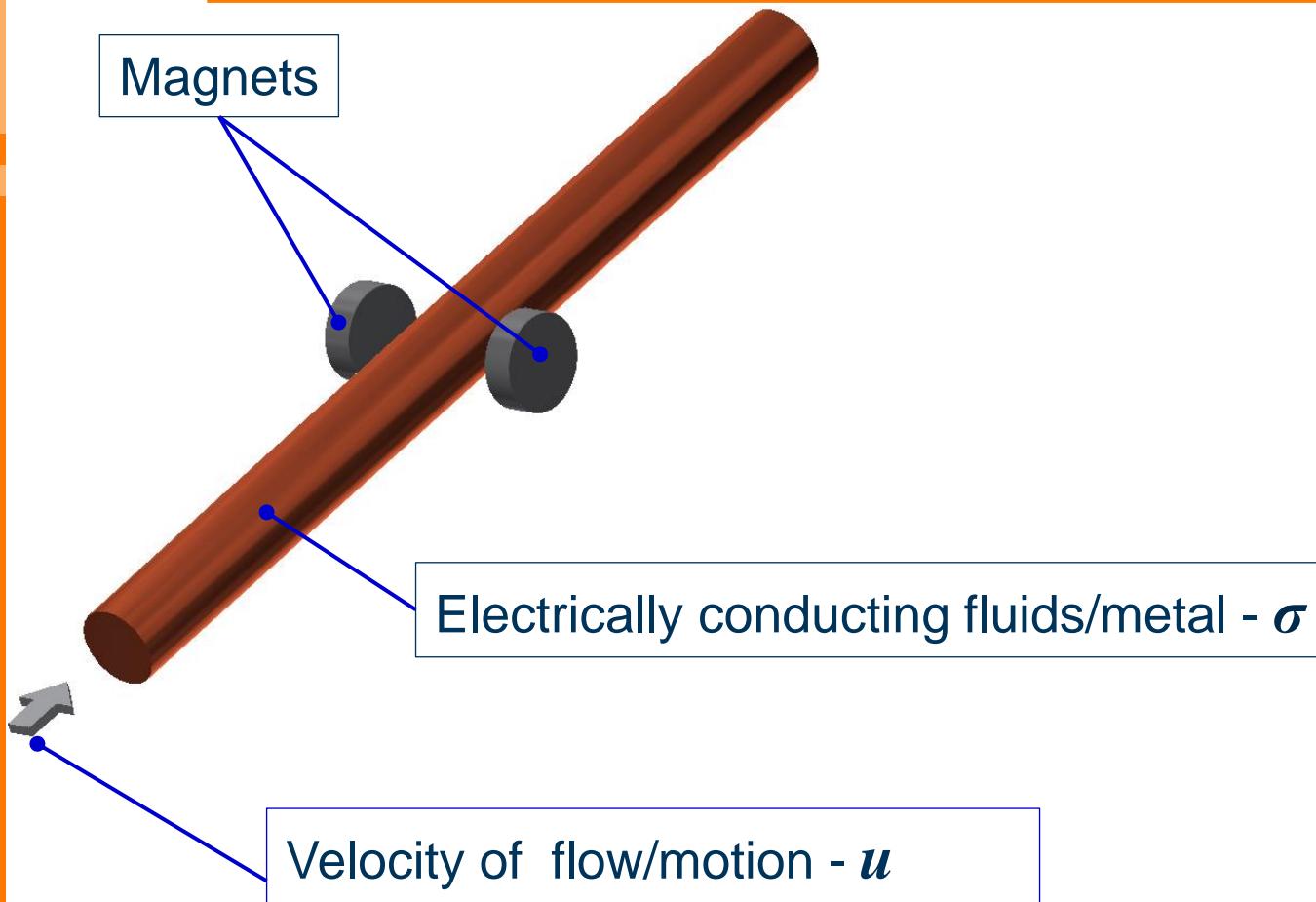
Glass melts



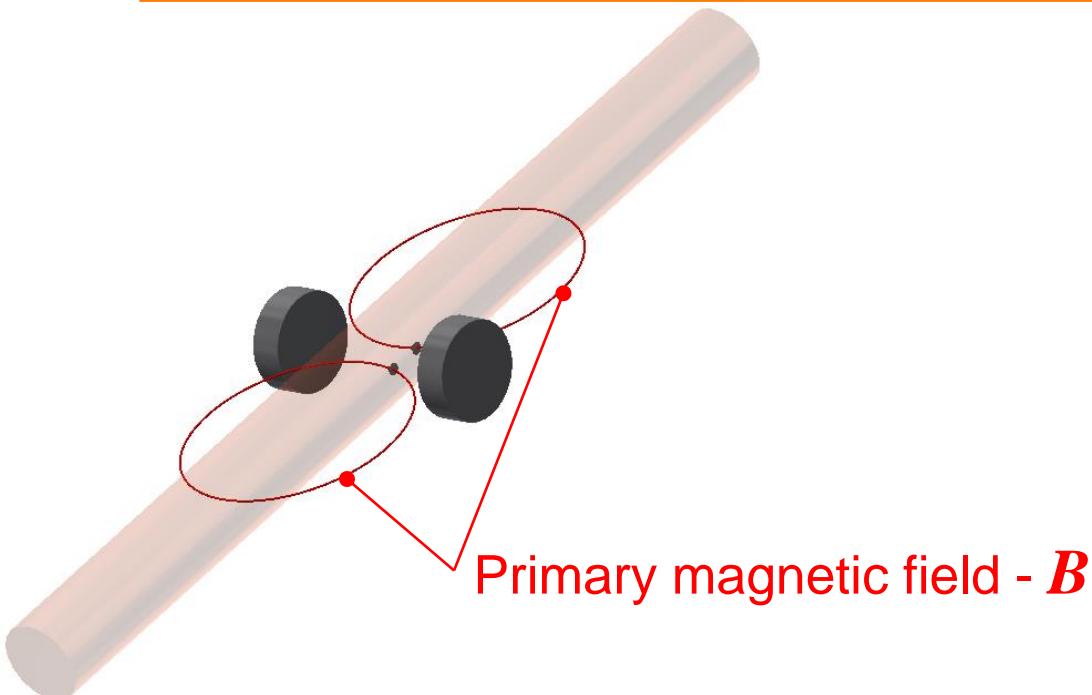
(1000 – 1300)° C

- Electrodes contact a fluid

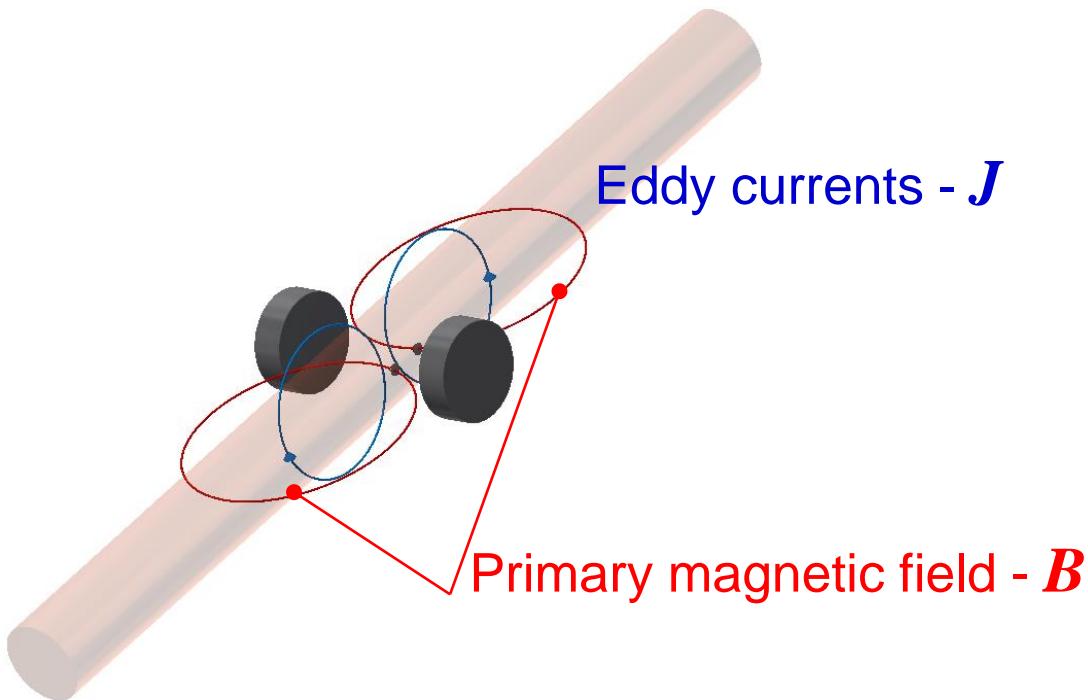
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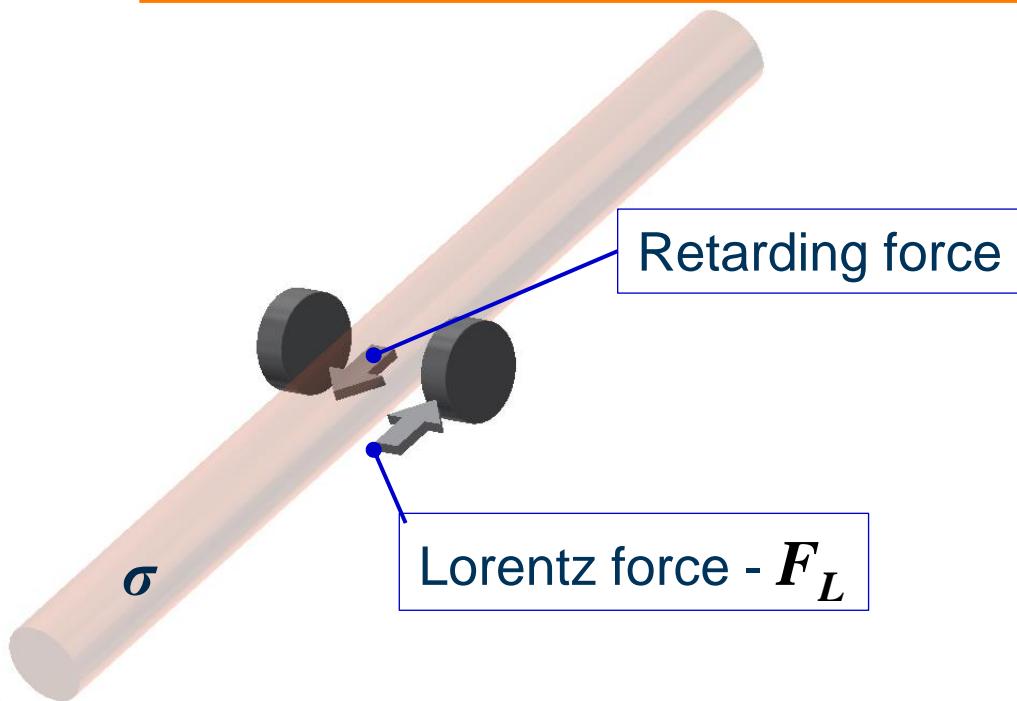
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$$f = J \times B = \sigma(\underline{u} \times \underline{B}) \times B$$

$$F \sim \sigma \cdot u \cdot B^2$$

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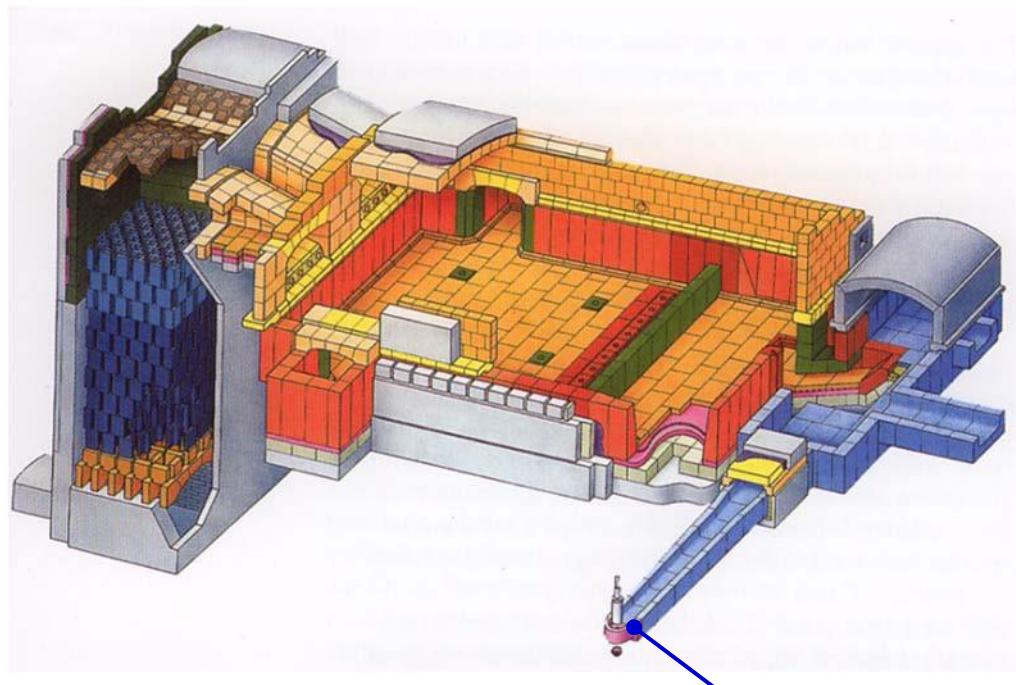
Motivation

Glass melts



(1000 – 1300)° C

Strict control of production process
using **flow measurements**
in glass industry



Glass tank feeder

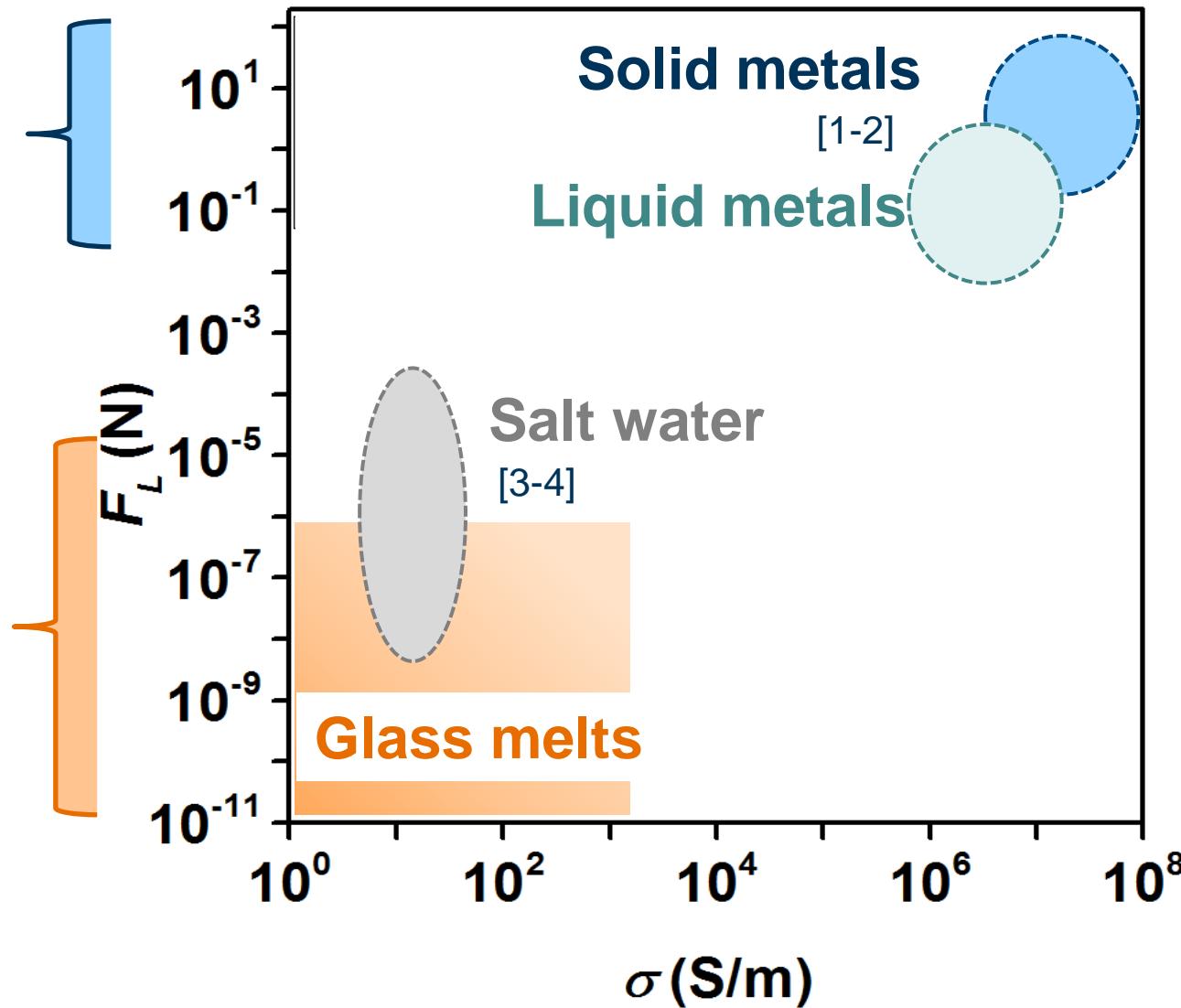
Fluids (F - σ) diagram

- Commercial force sensors
- Permanent magnets

Special high-precision
sensors

- low dead load

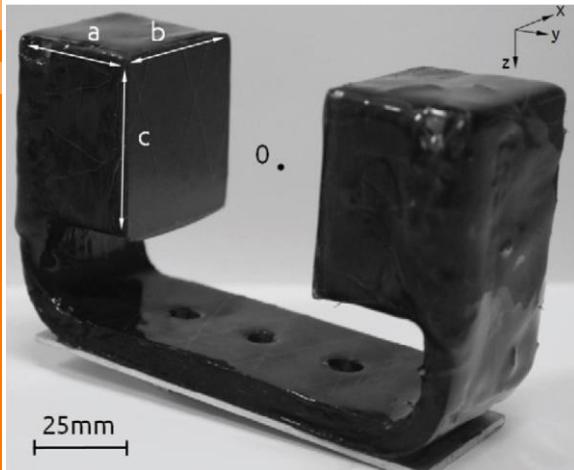
High magnetic
• bulk HTS



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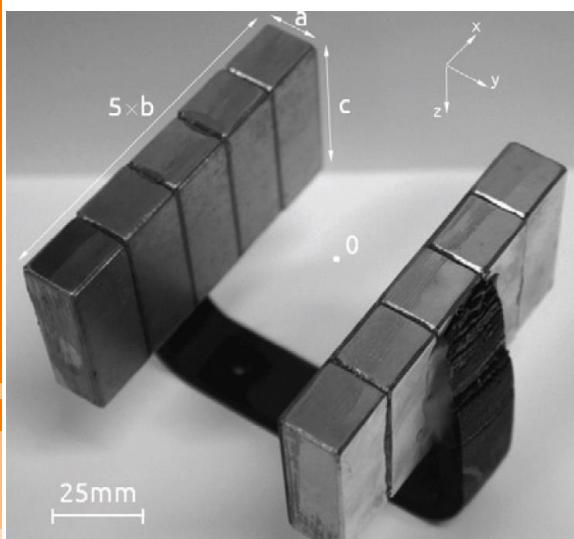
LFV magnet system

NdFeB magnets



Cubic magnets

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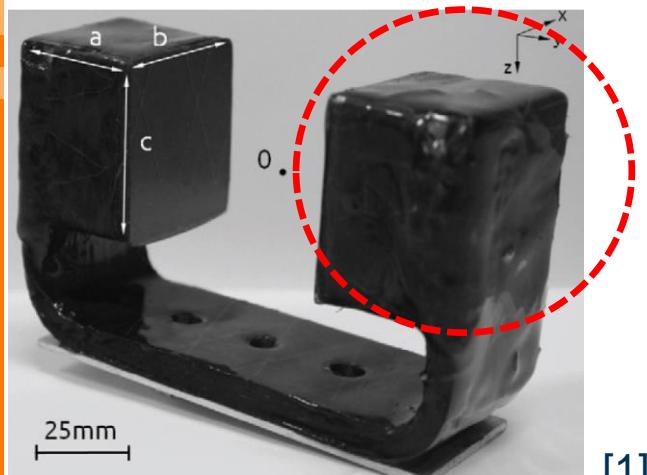


Halbach configuration

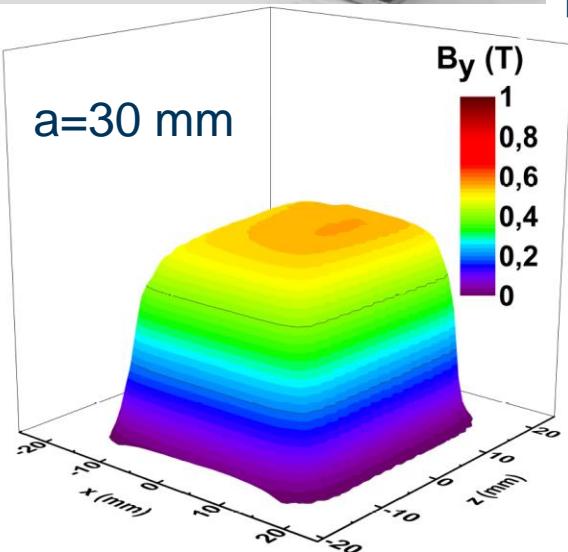
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NdFeB magnets (N48)



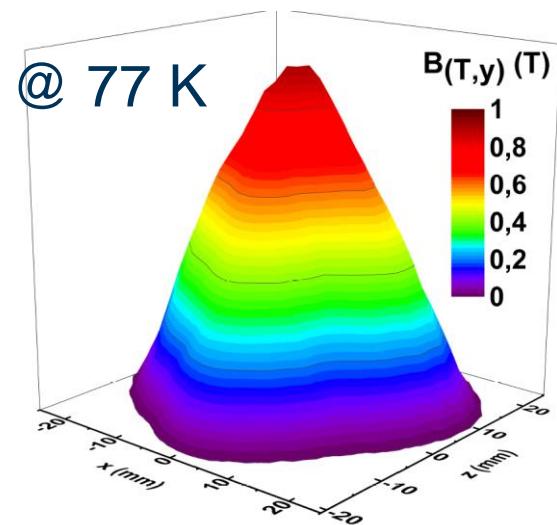
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Bulk HTS



[2]

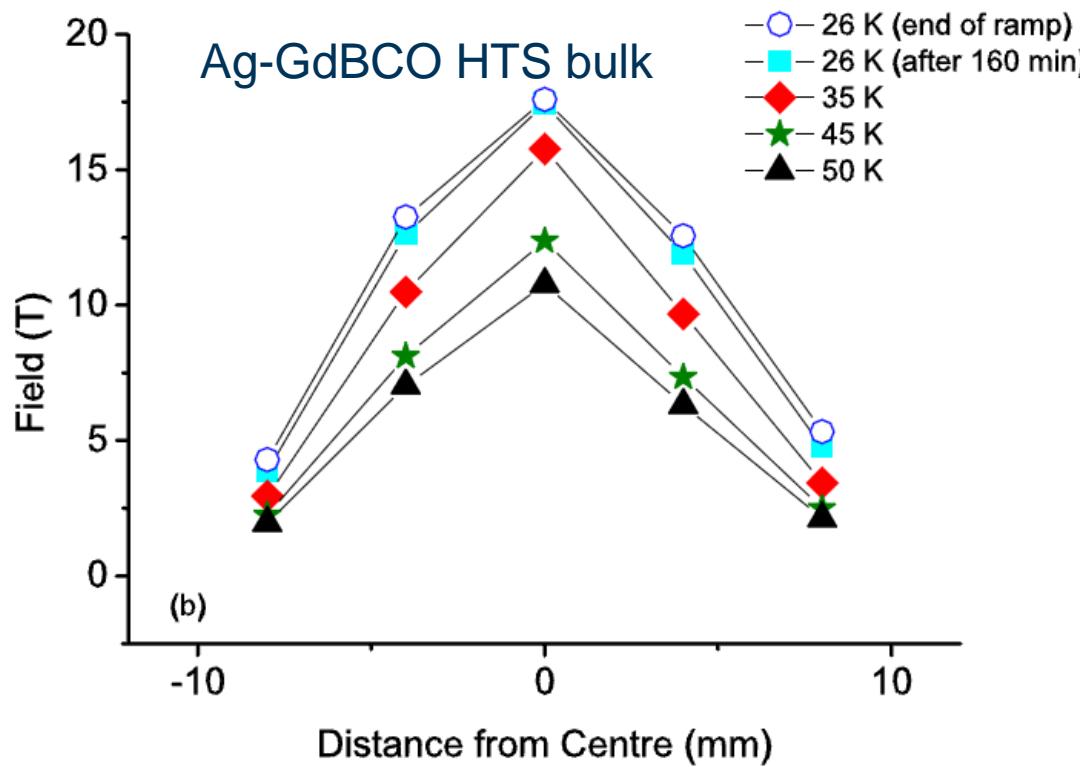


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Potential of HTS magnet system

- with $T \downarrow \rightarrow B_{\text{trapped}} \uparrow$
- $B > 17\text{T}$, @ 29 K



Outline

- **LFV using bulk HTS – verification experiment**

FC magnetisation

Y-Ba-Cu-O Bulk HTS

Diameter 46 mm

Thickness 16 mm



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Superconducting Solenoid

bore 300 mm

$$B_{ap} = 1.5 \text{ T}$$



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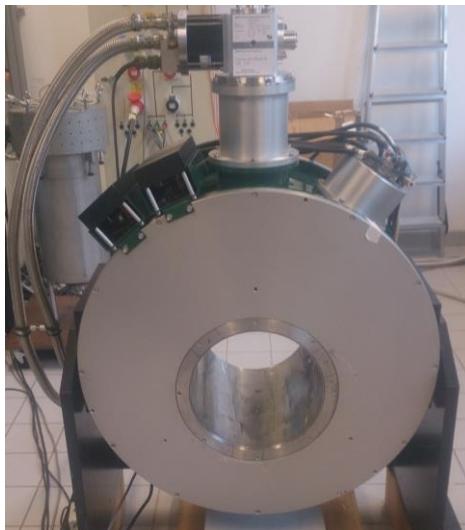
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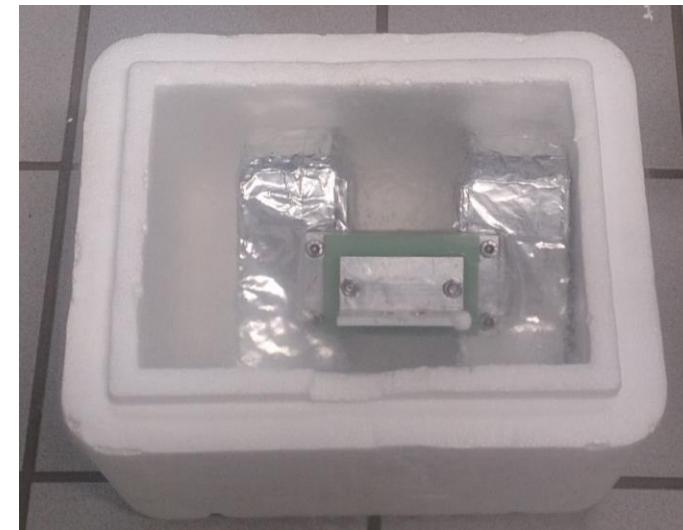
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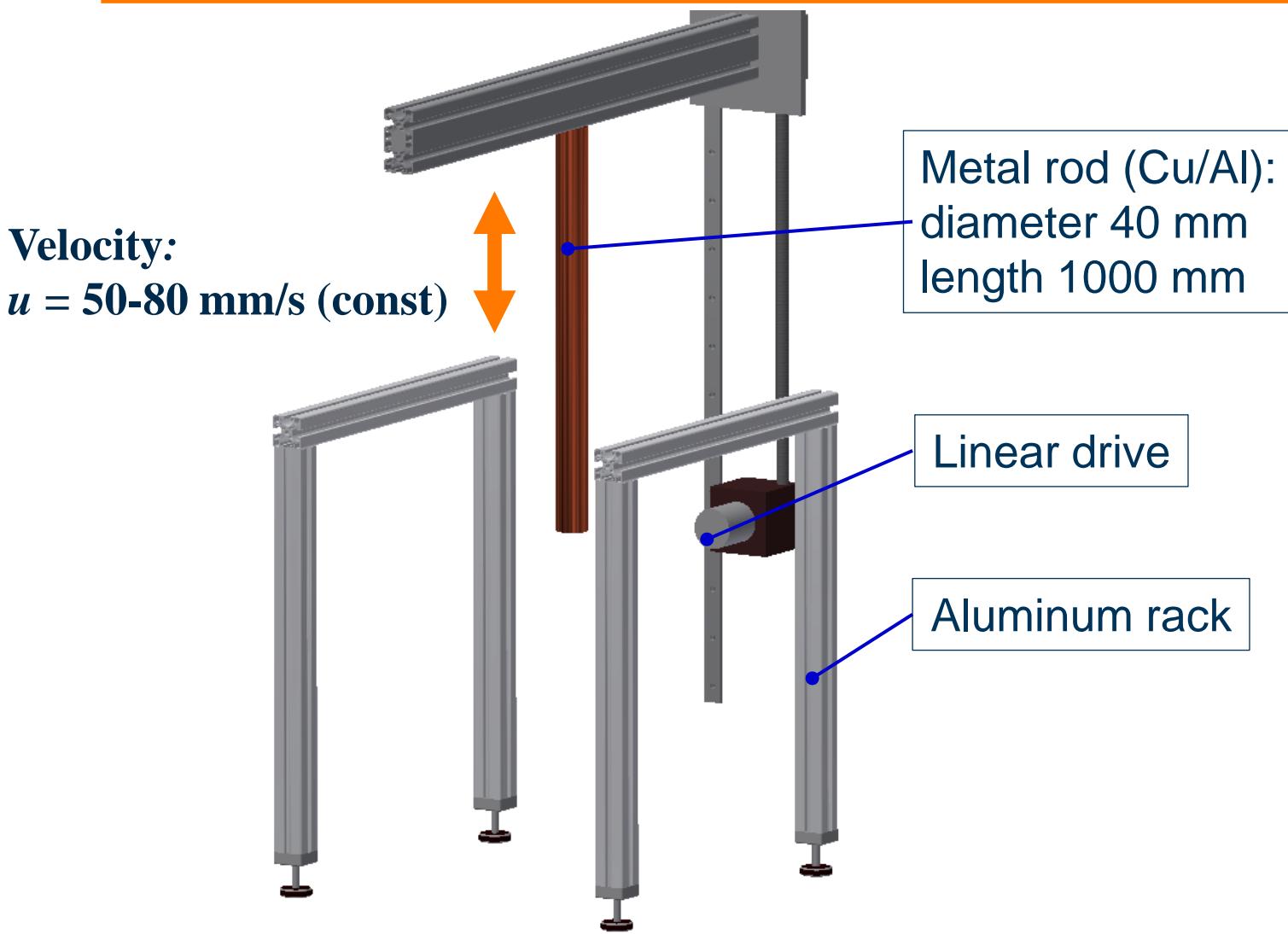


Cooling with LN₂

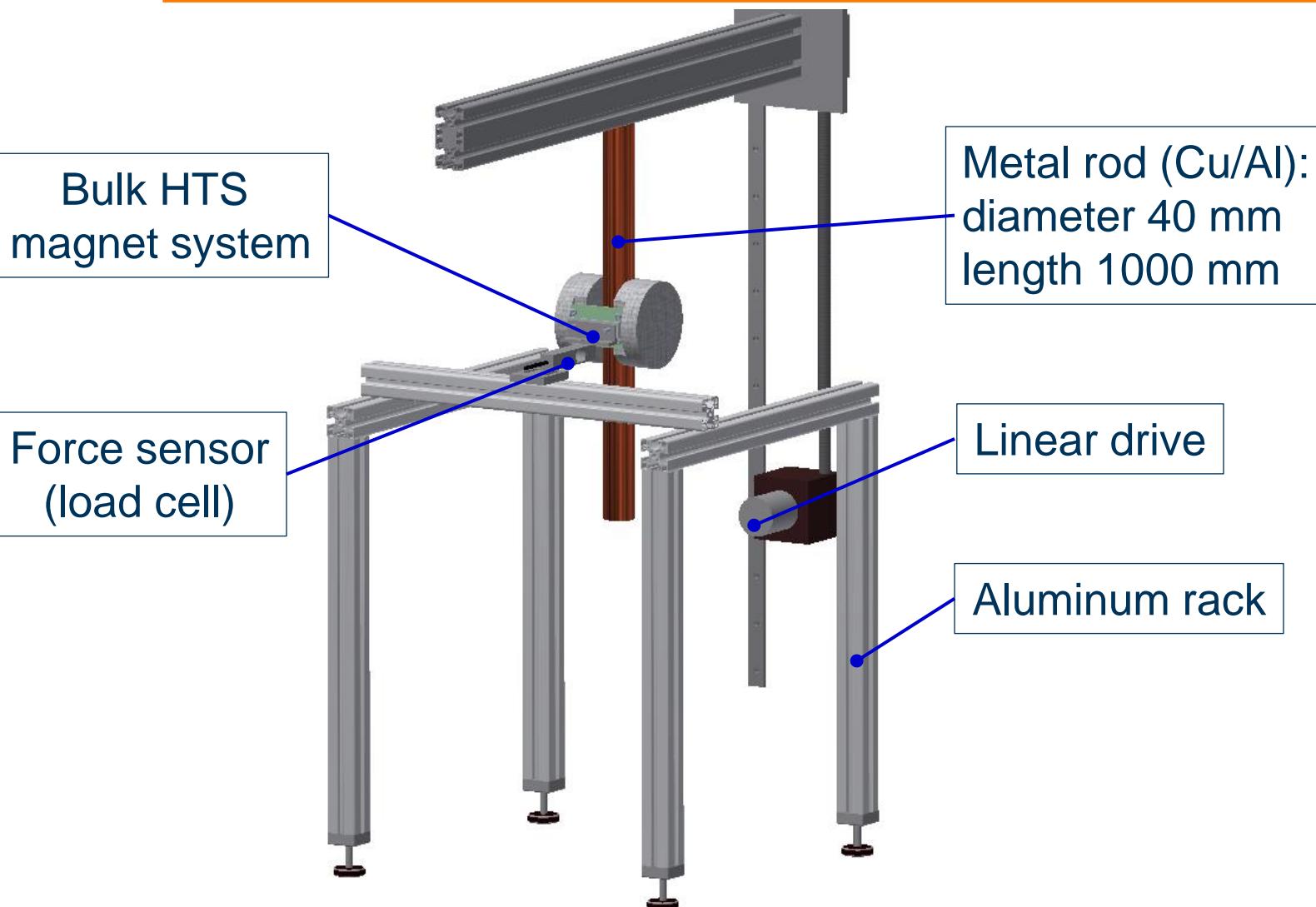
77 K



Experimental Setup



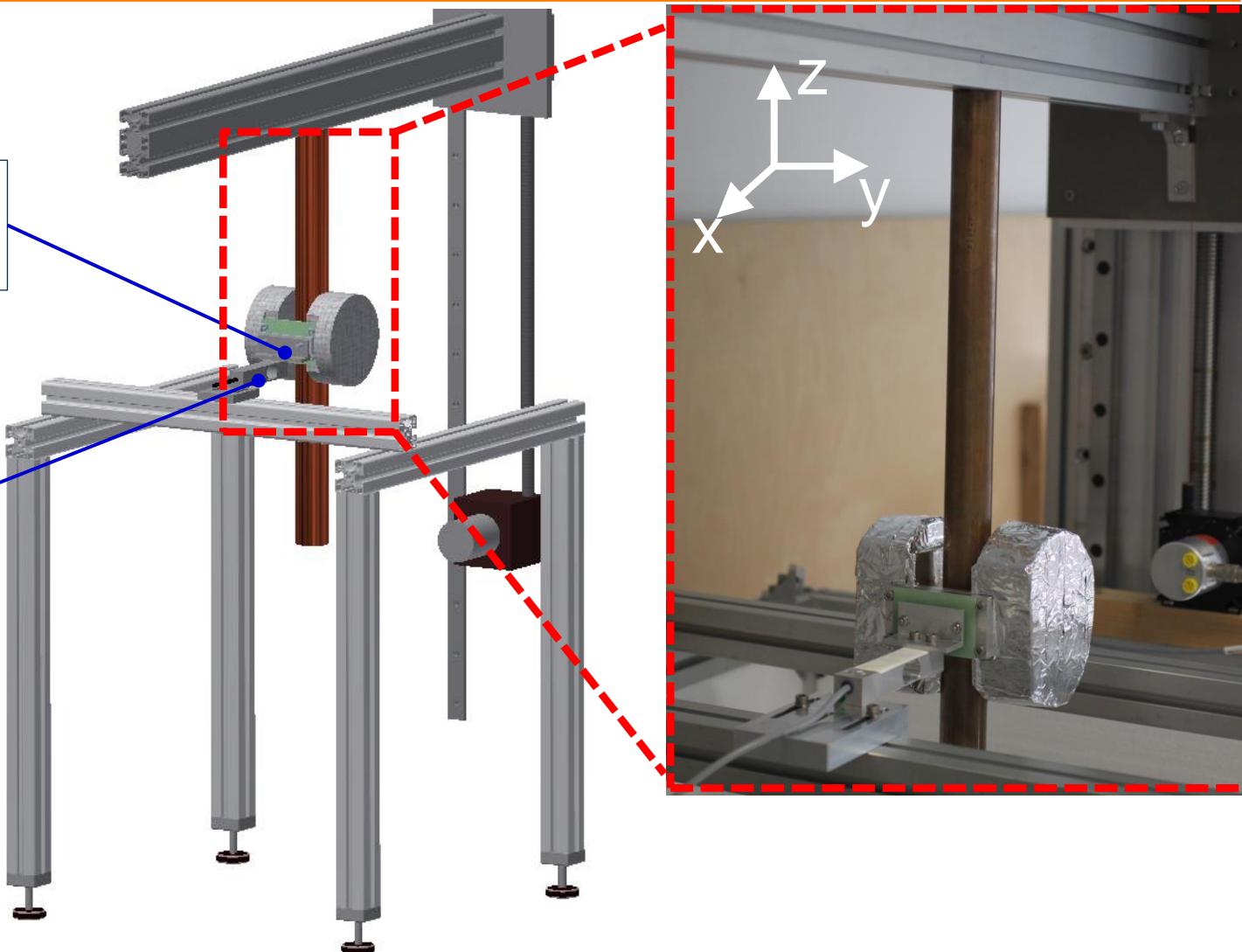
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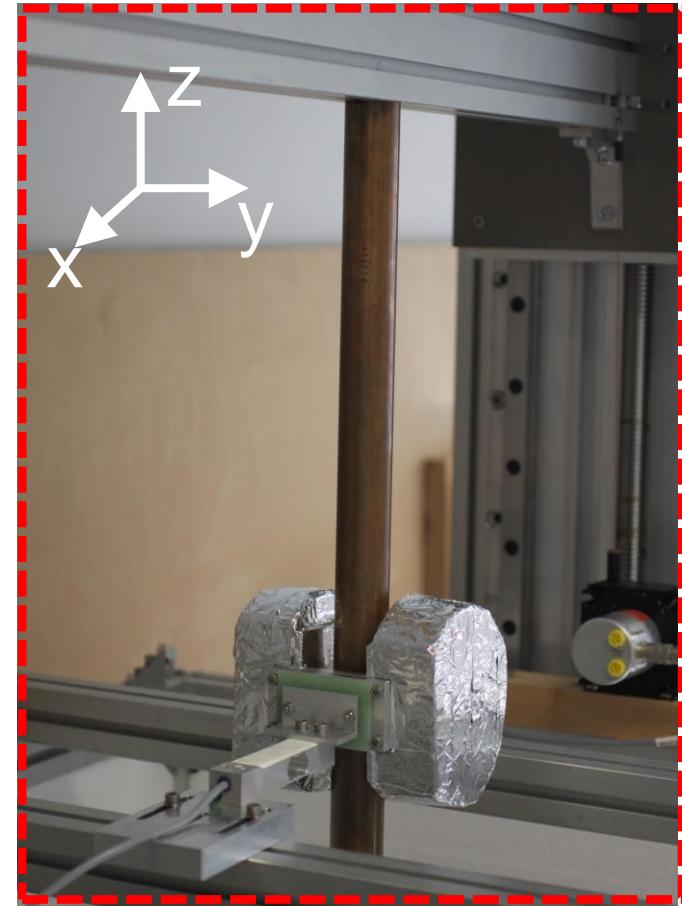
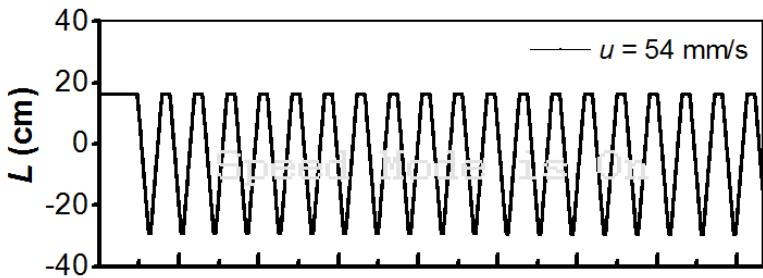
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Bulk HTS
magnet system

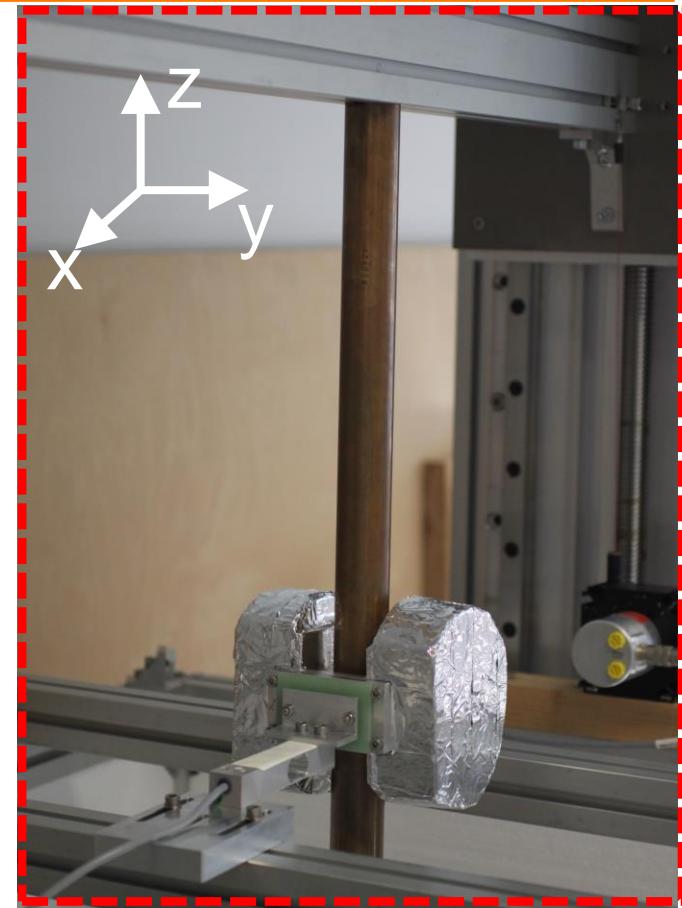
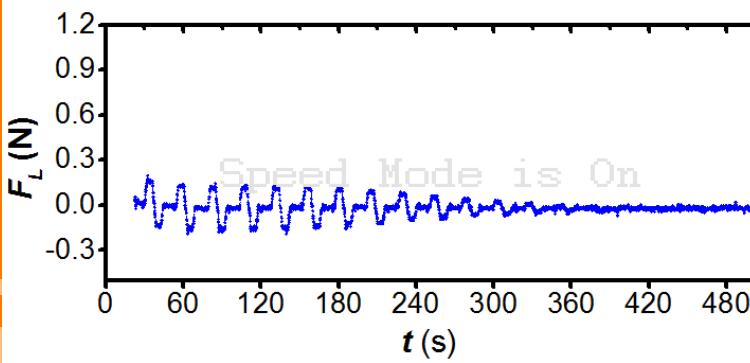
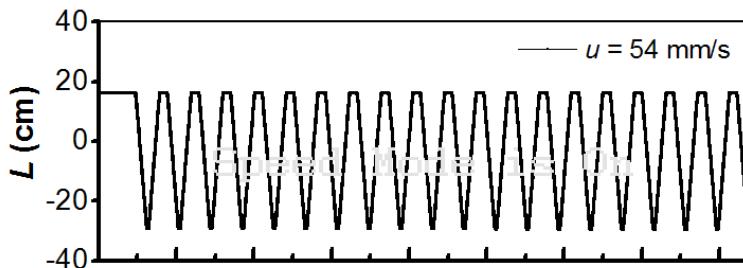
Force sensor
(load cell)



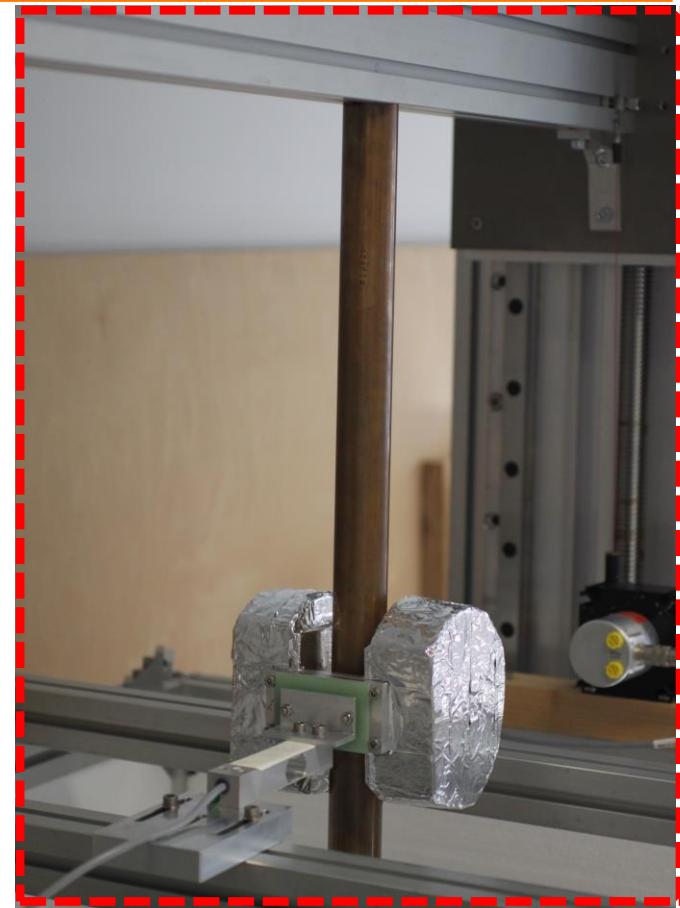
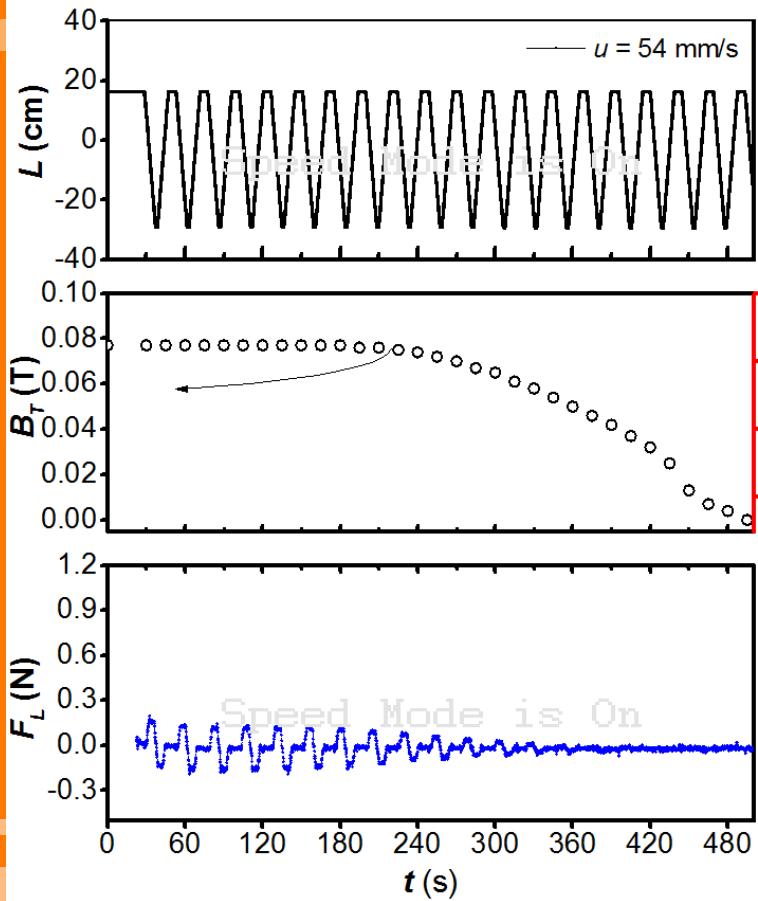
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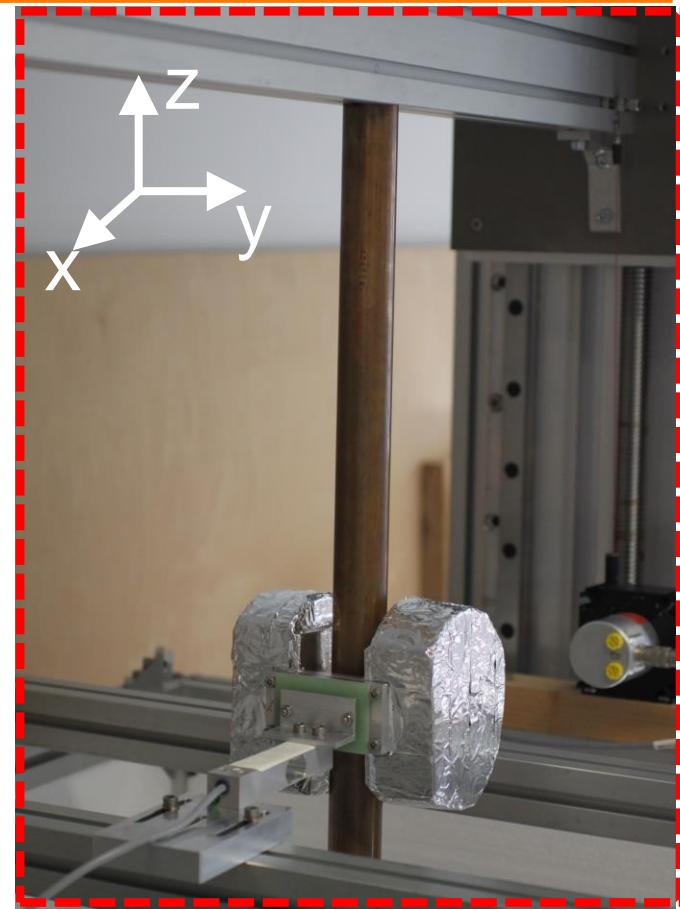
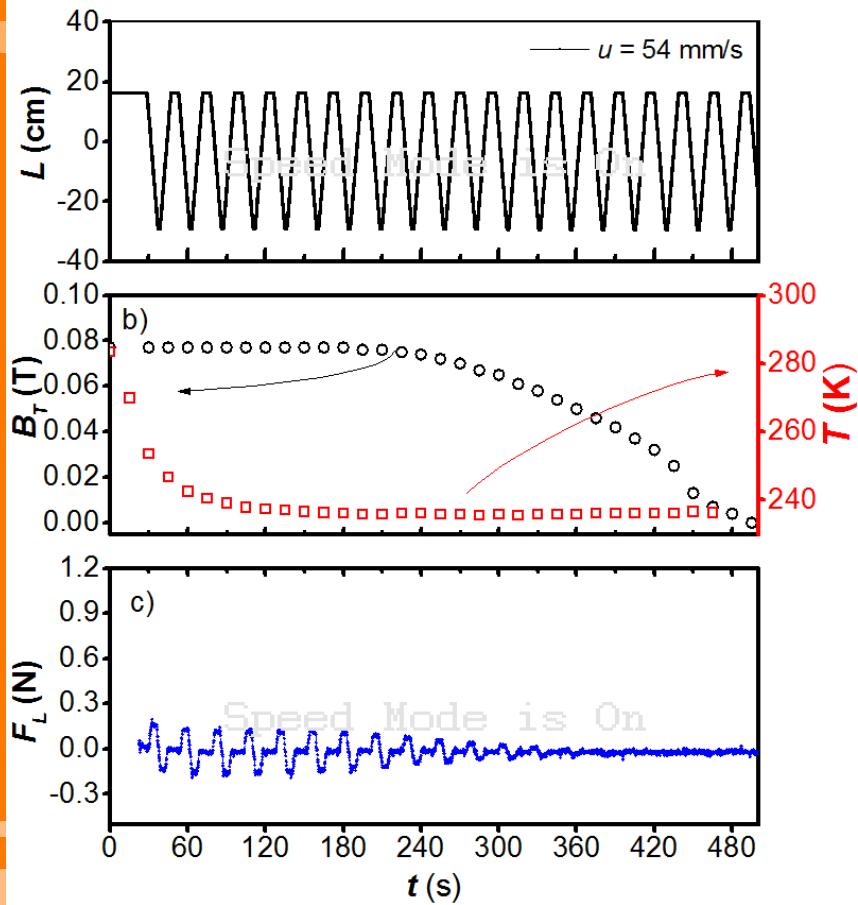
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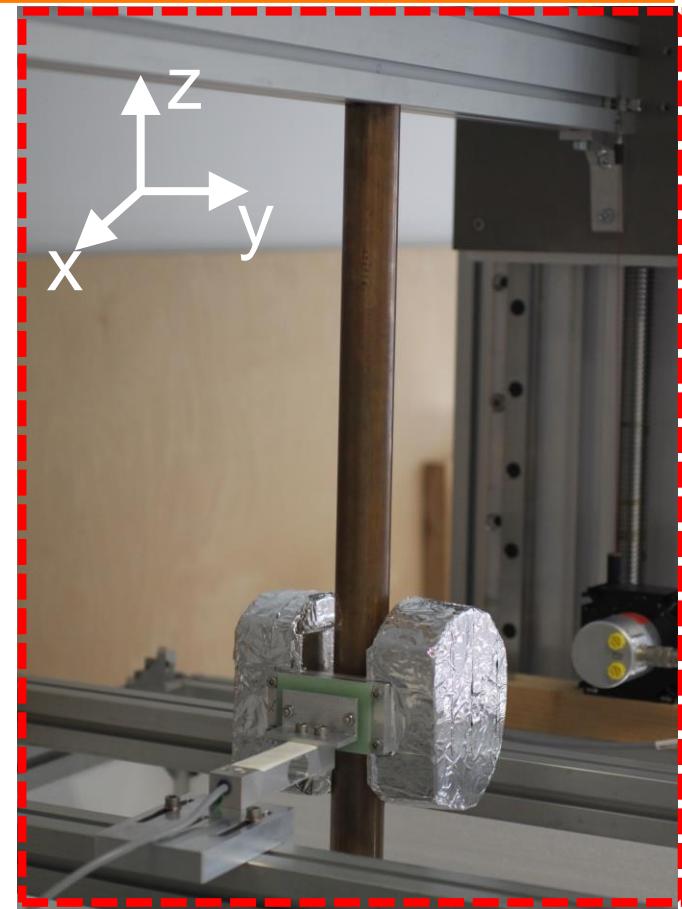
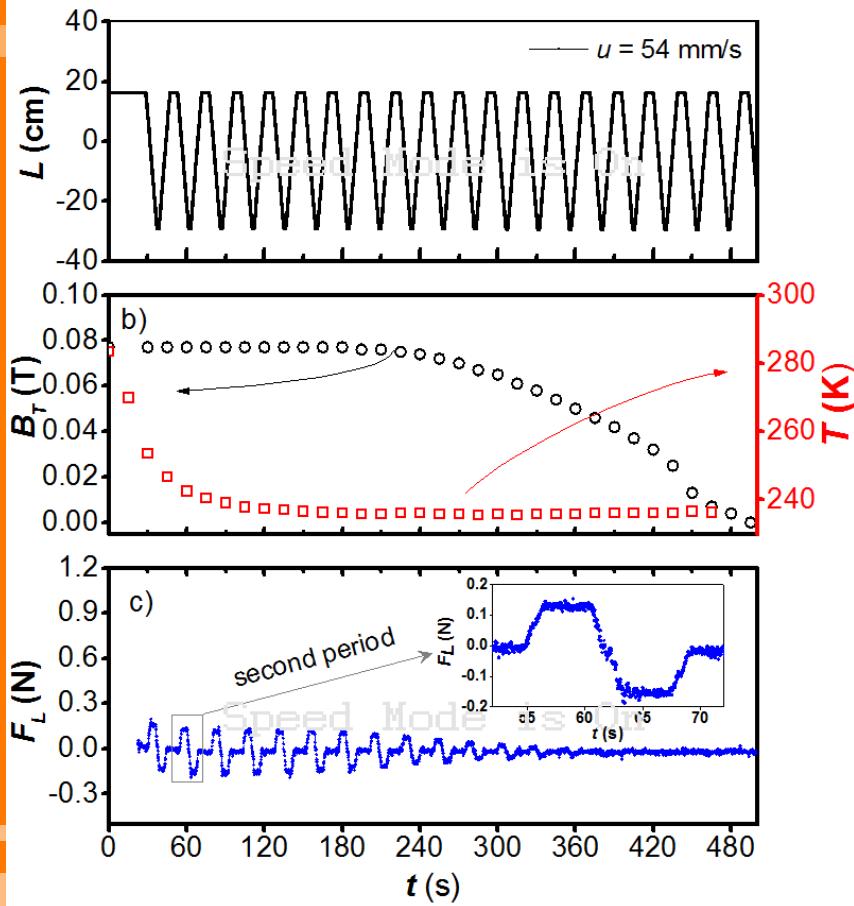
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Experimental Set-up



Outline

- LFV using bulk HTS – model

Numerical Modelling

General comments

Bulk HTSc

- 3D model
- H-formulation
- Time-independent
- Full magnetisation

Metal rod

- Solid Body Approximation [1]
 - replace the **flow** with moving **metal rod**
 - low-Re-number: $R \ll 1$
 - $F_L \sim u$; u is mean velocity

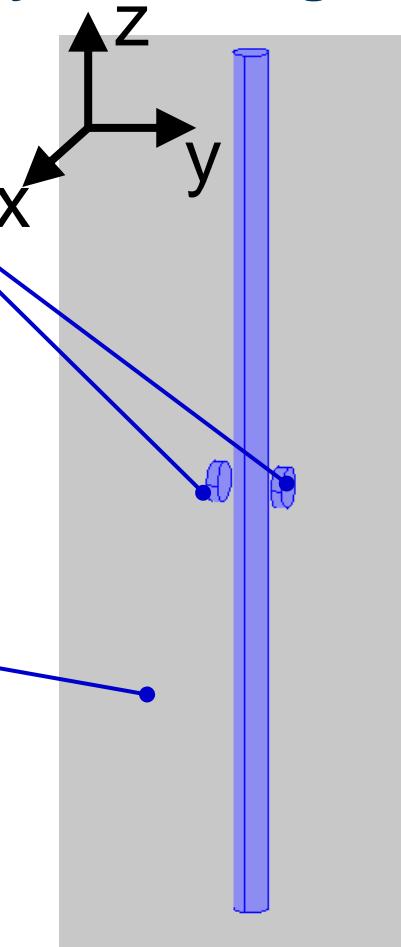
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Numerical Modelling

Geometry & FC magnetisation

Y-Ba-Cu-O Bulk HTS
Diameter 46 mm
Thickness 16 mm

Metal rod (Cu/Al):
diameter 40 mm
length 1000 mm



! Corresponds to an experimental setup

Numerical Modelling

Mesh

Bulk HTS

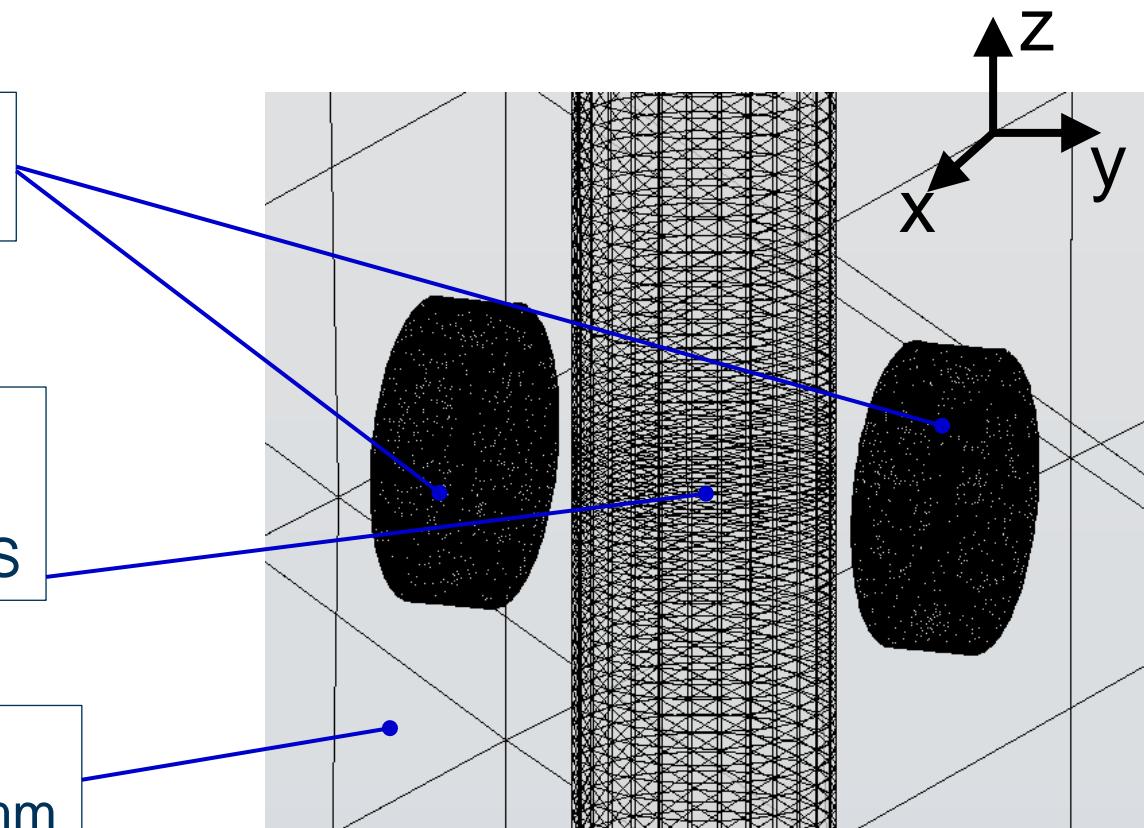
Tetrahedral: size 1 mm

Metal rod:

Triangular: size 5 mm
- dense near bulk HTS

Space

Tetrahedral: size 100 mm



Numerical Modelling

Governing equations:

Ampers law

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}$$

Current conservation

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0$$

Bulk HTS: Bean Model

- $J_c = \text{const}$
- $T = \text{const}$
- full magnetised

$$B_T = k \mu_0 J_c a$$

$$k = \frac{t}{2a} \ln \left(\frac{a}{t} + \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{a}{t} \right)^2} \right) \quad [1]$$

$$B_{T,1} = 1.08 \text{ T}$$

$$B_{T,2} = 0.80 \text{ T}$$

$$\boxed{J_{c,1} = 9.90 \times 10^7 \text{ A/m}^2}$$

$$\boxed{J_{c,2} = 7.33 \times 10^7 \text{ A/m}^2}$$

1. Carwell et al., AIP., 1992

Numerical Modelling

Governing equations: Moving metal rod

Velocity condition (Lorentz force)

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$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} = \sigma(\underline{\mathbf{u}} \times \underline{\mathbf{B}}) \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \int_V F_x \cdot dV = \int_V (B_z J_y - B_y J_z) \cdot dV$$

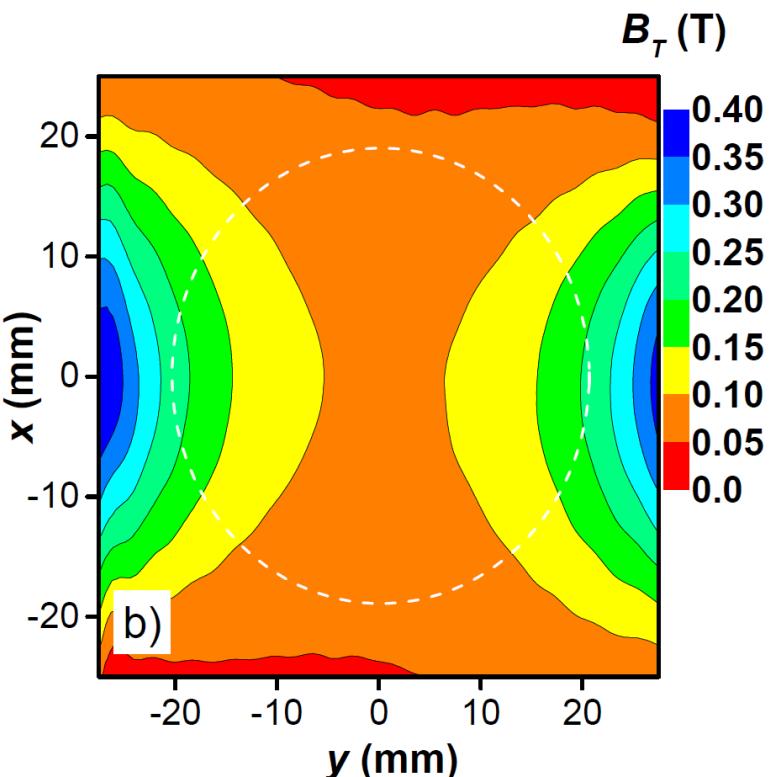
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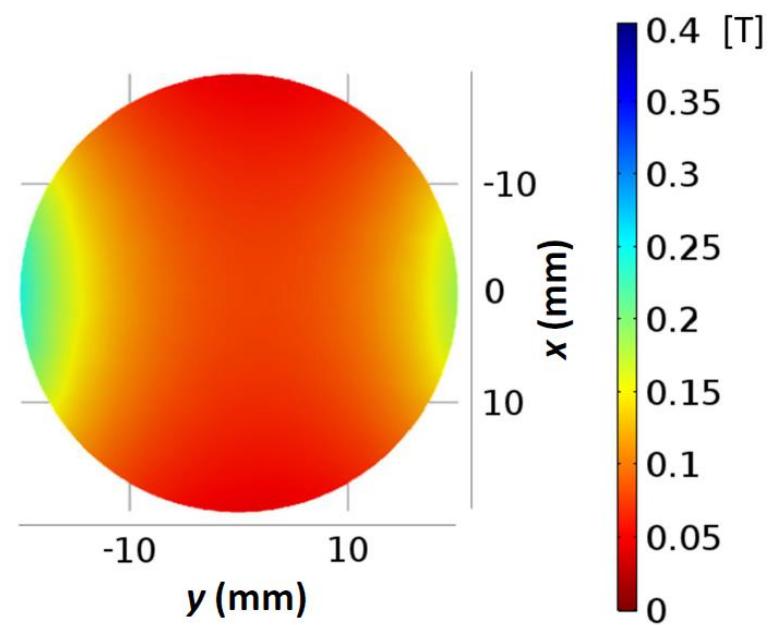
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B_T - map in the bulk HTS magnet system gap

Experiment

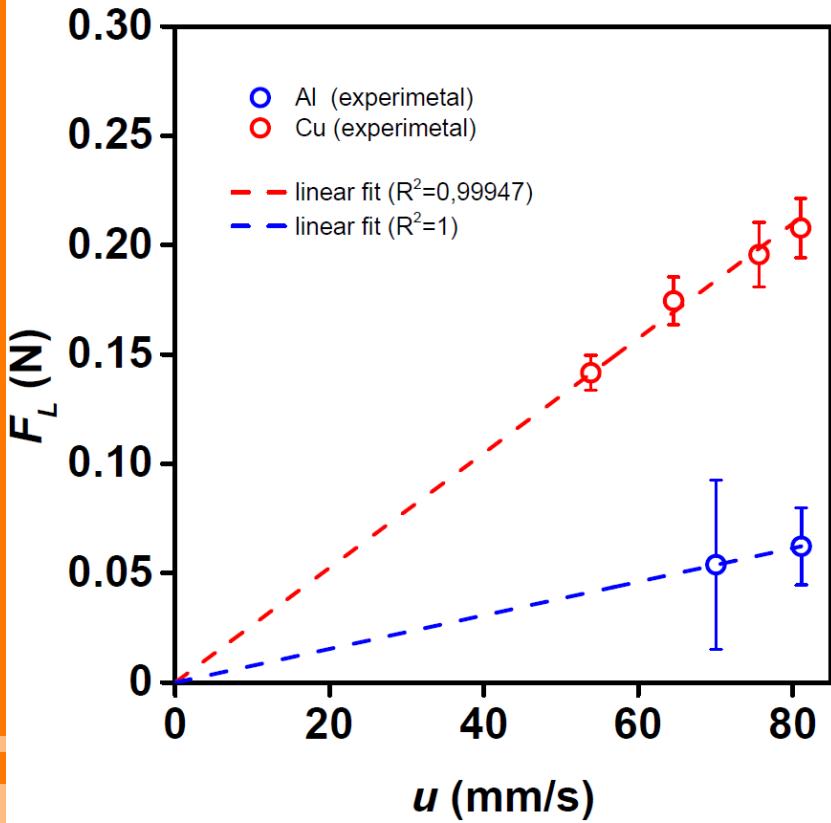


Model



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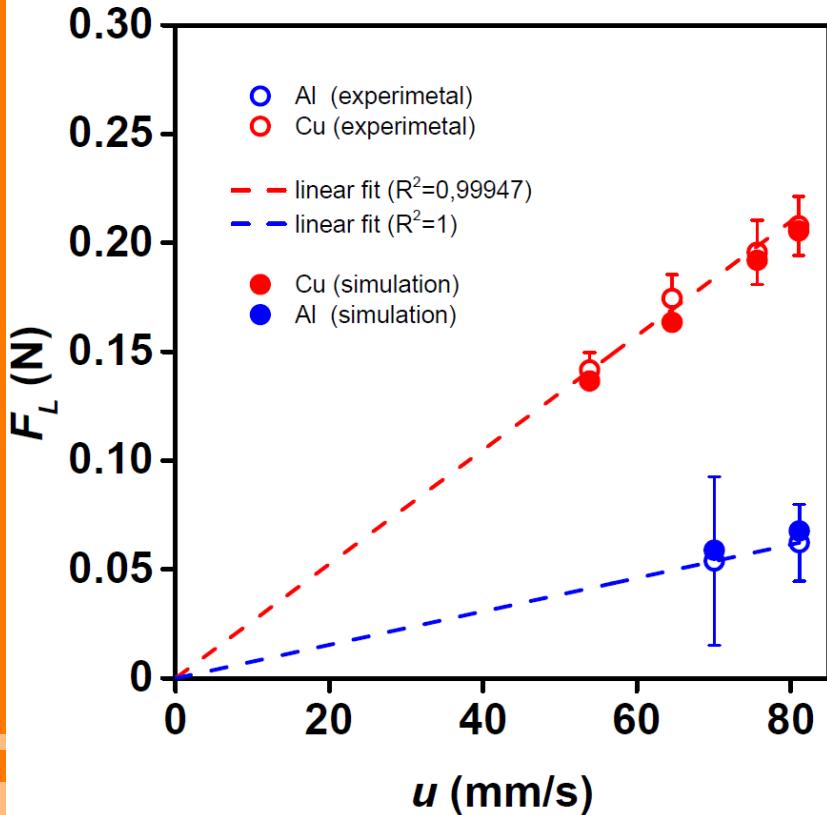
Lorentz Force vs. velocity



- $F_L \sim \sigma \cdot u$
- $F_{Cu}/F_{Al} = \sigma_{Cu}/\sigma_{Al}$

Results

Lorentz Force *vs.* velocity

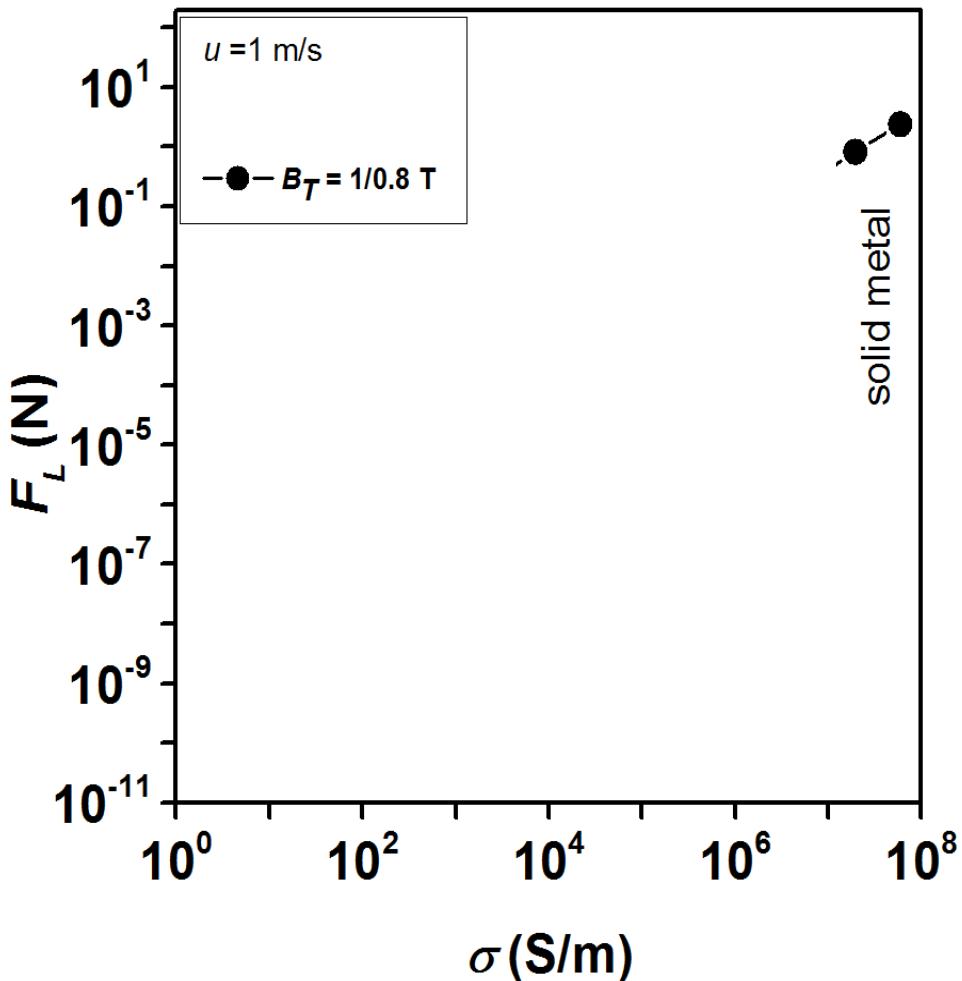


- Experiment & simulation agree well

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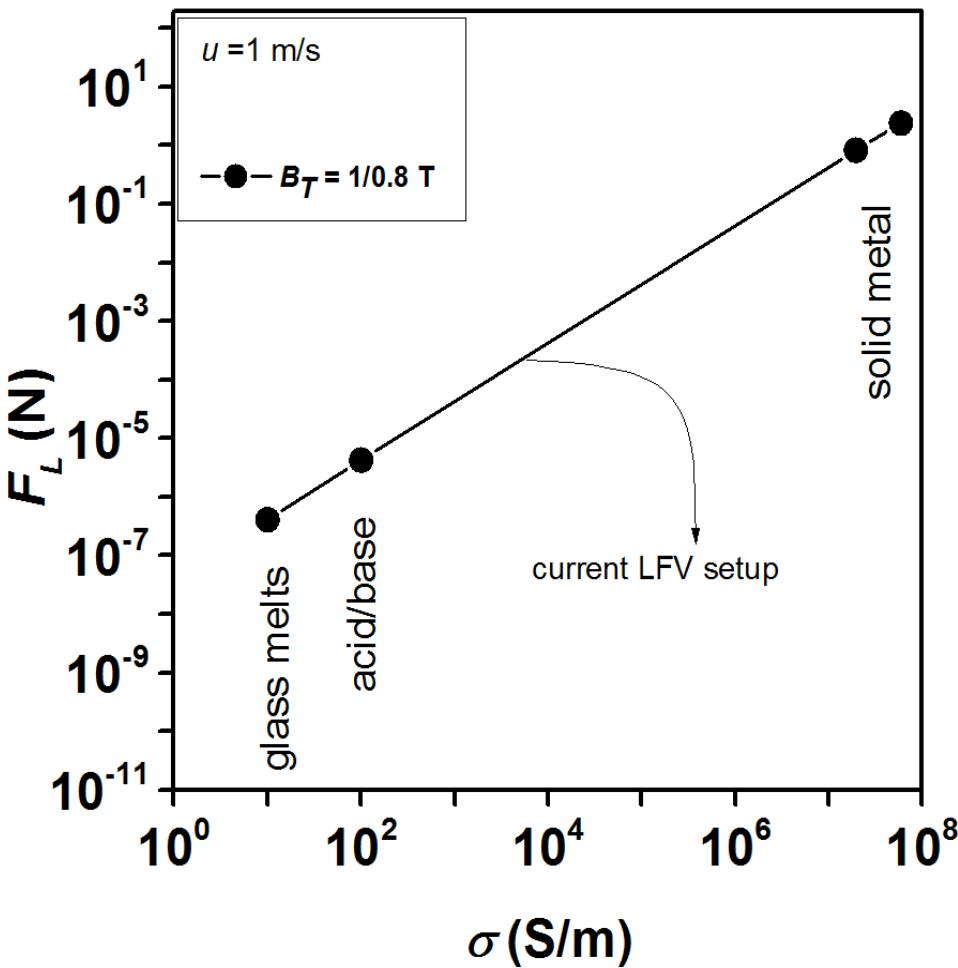
Predicted Lorentz forces for electrically conducting fluids

Example: particular LFV design



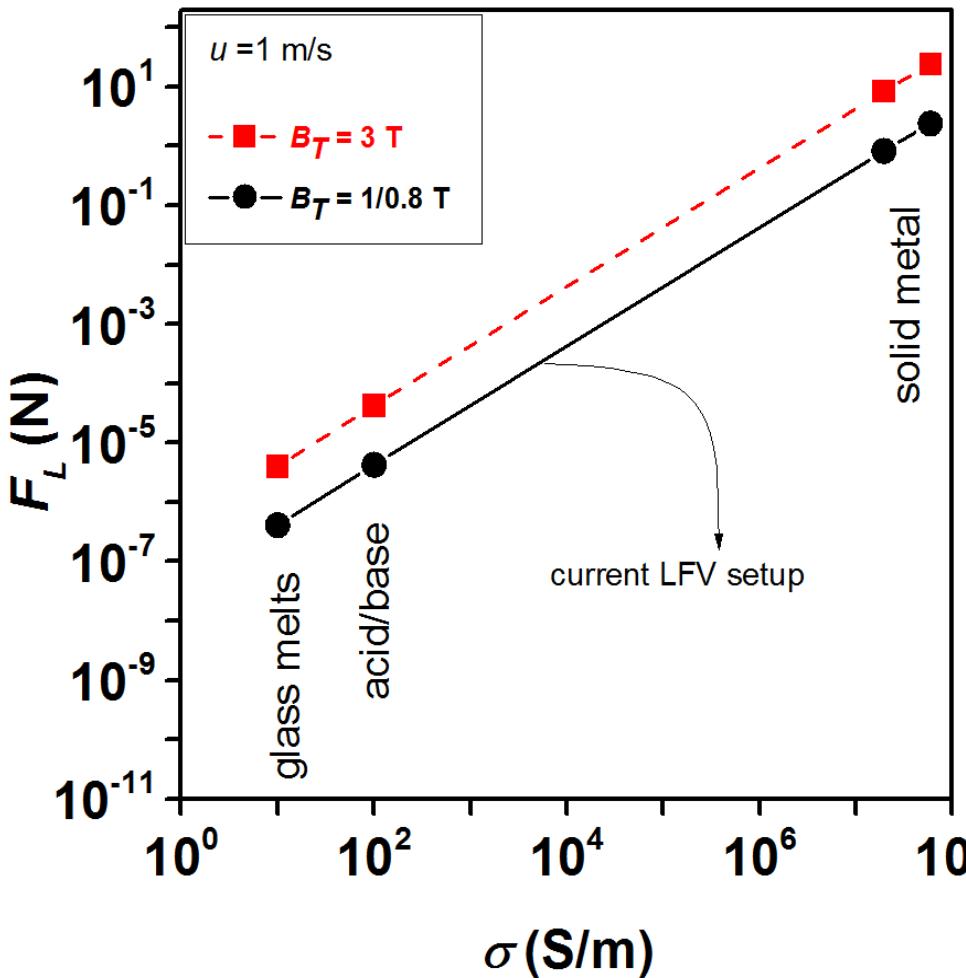
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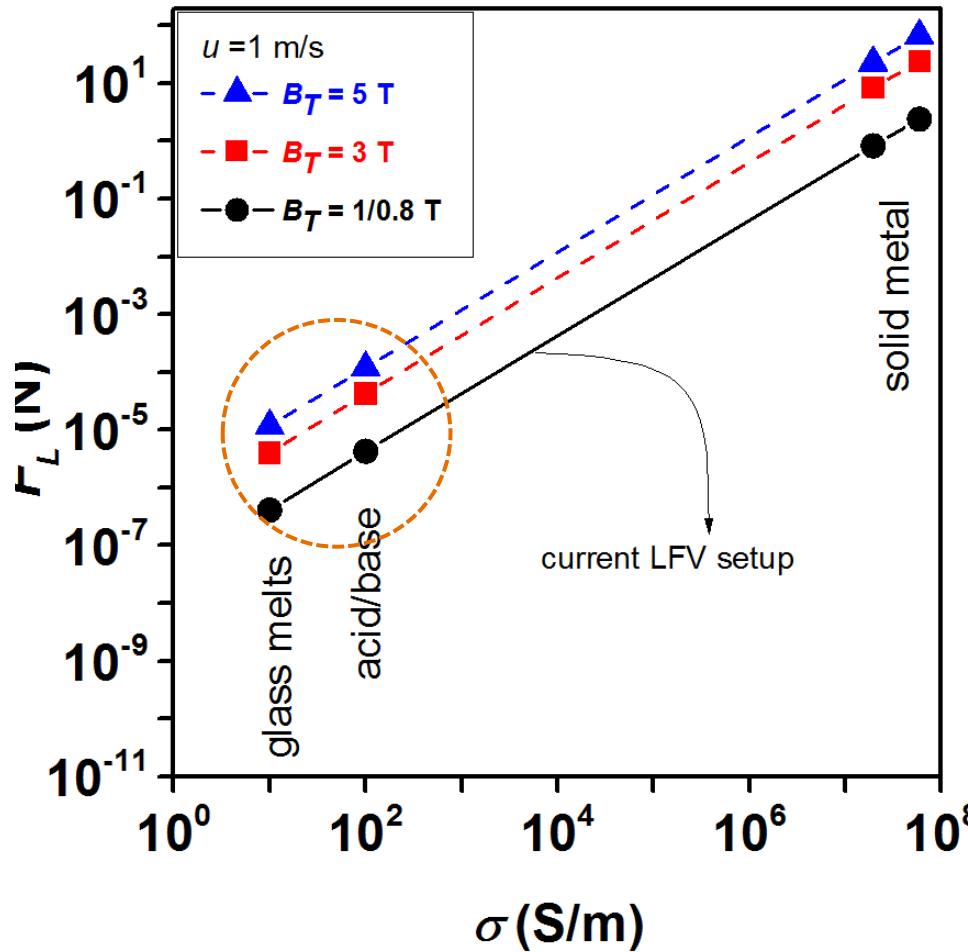
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Simulation:

- 3D Model
- Time-independet

Outlook:

- time-dependent model
 - flux creep
 - magnetisation (PFM)
- conductive fluid flow

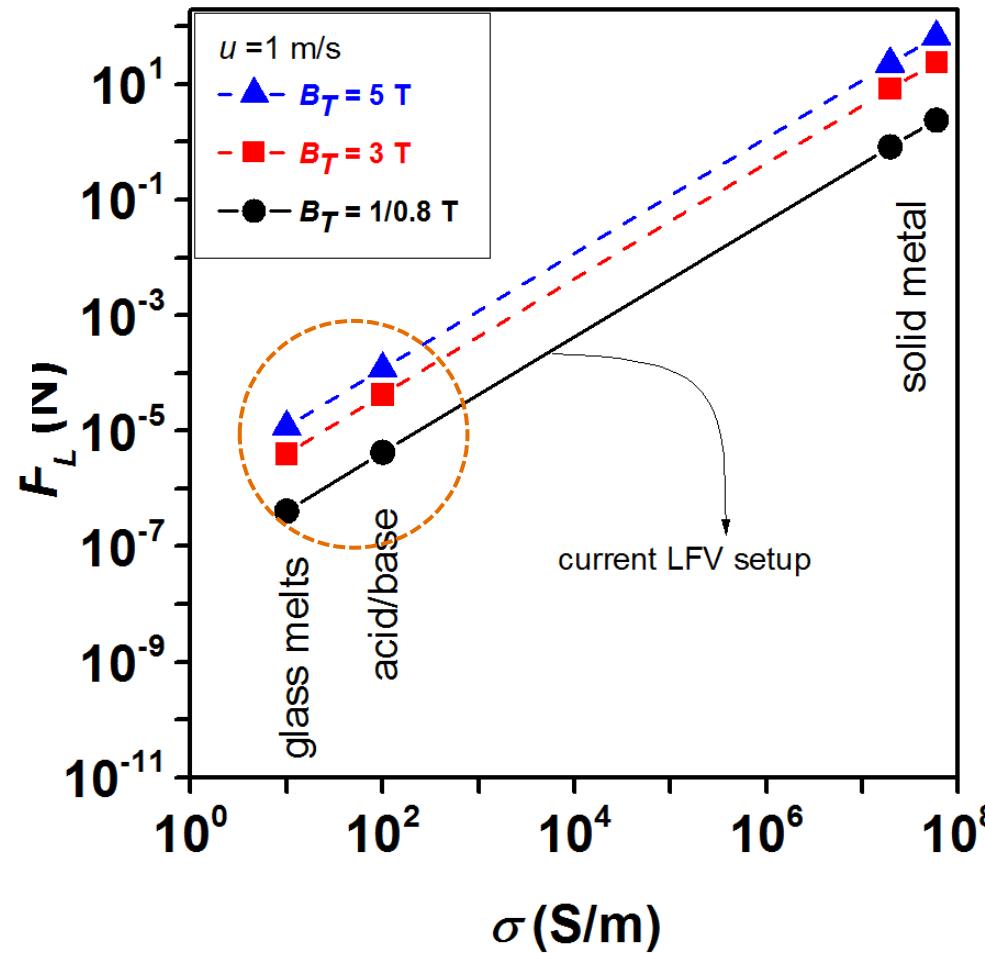


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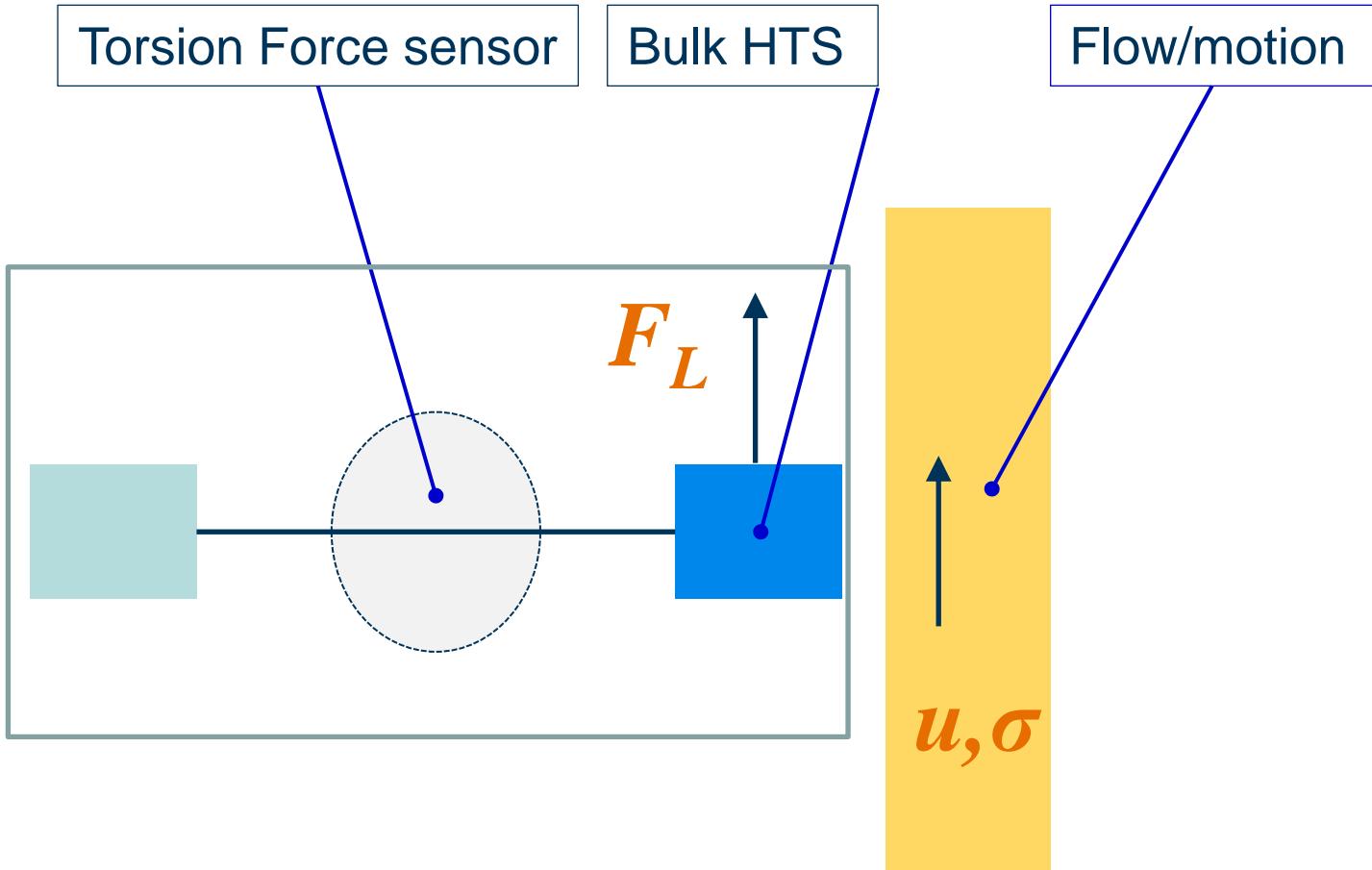
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Experimental challenge:

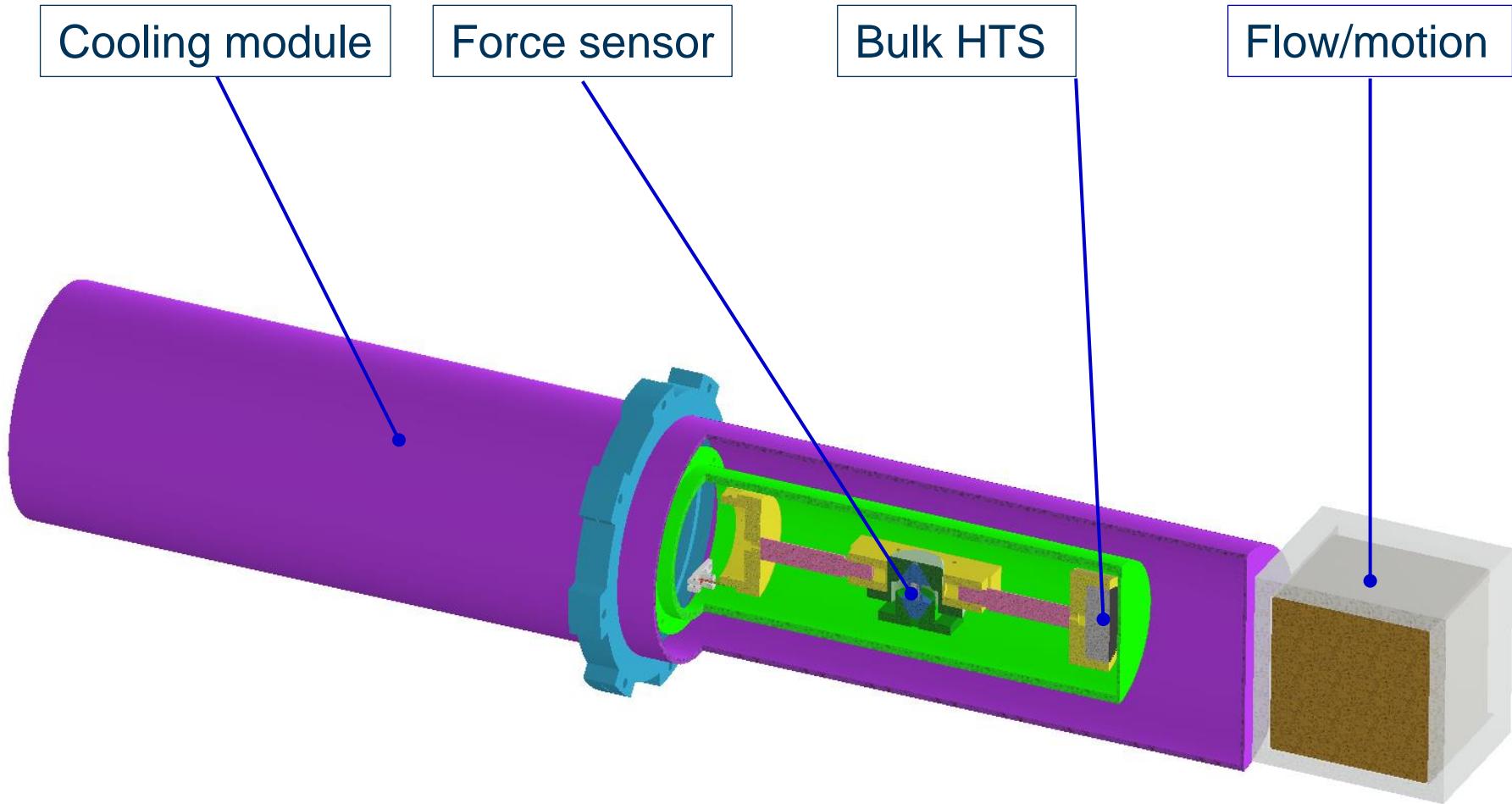
- Precision force measurements
- Bulk HTS



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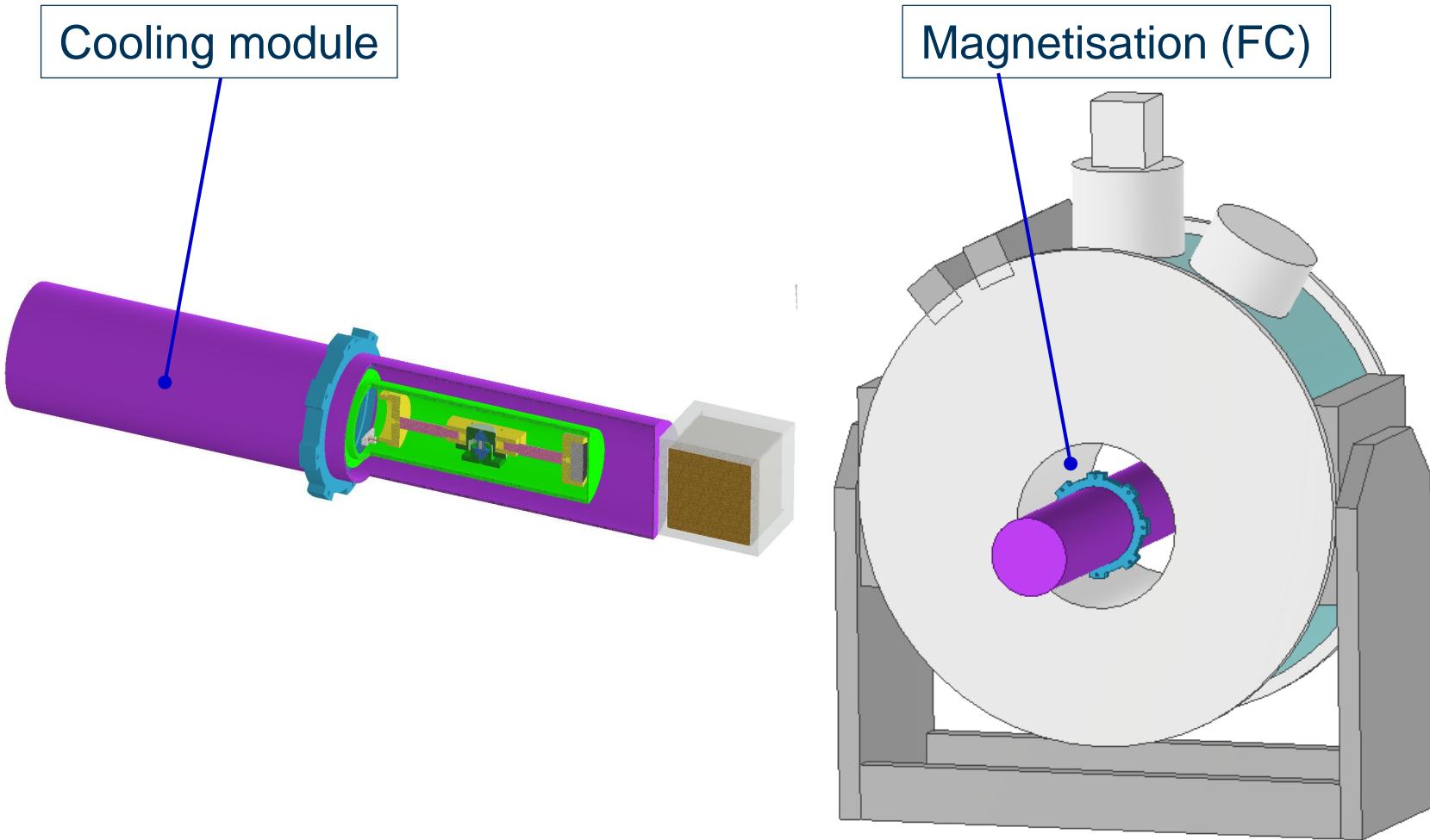
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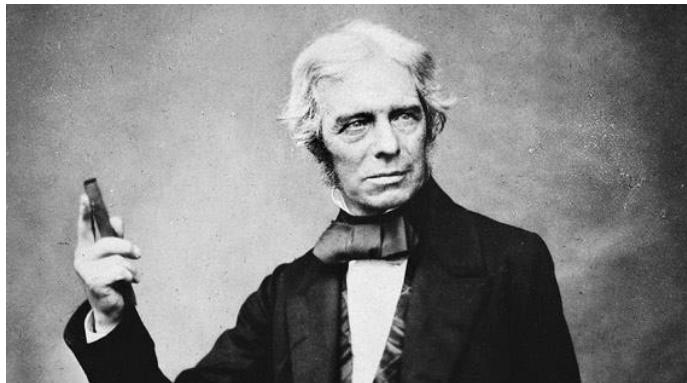
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LFV: could occur in XIX

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1798 Cavendish's
force measurement technology

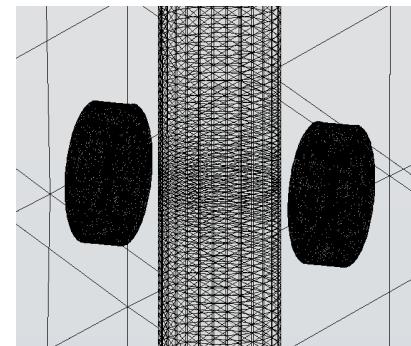


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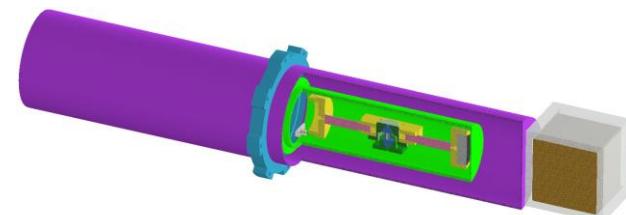
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**Validation of numerical model
Prediction of the LFV performance**



Conceptual design for portable LFV meter



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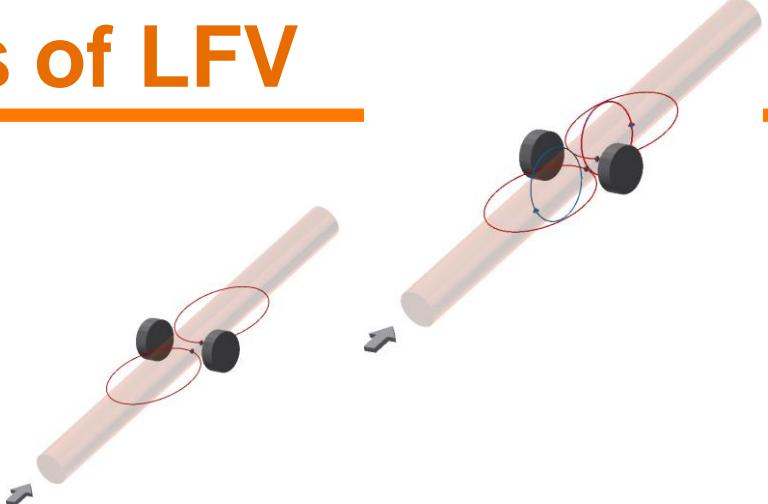
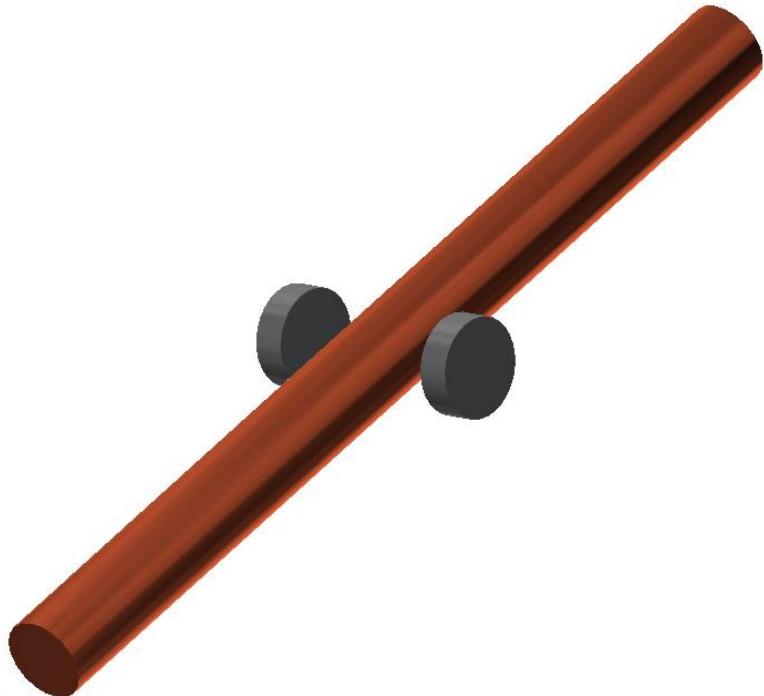
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Fundamentals of LFV



$$\vec{F}_L = (\vec{j}_w \times \vec{B}) \cdot V$$

- F_L - Lorentz force
 σ - electric conductivity
 u - velocity
 j_w - density of eddy currents
 B - magnetic flux density
 V - measuring volume

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