





High temperature superconductors for real world

From the amazing phenomenon to materials and applications

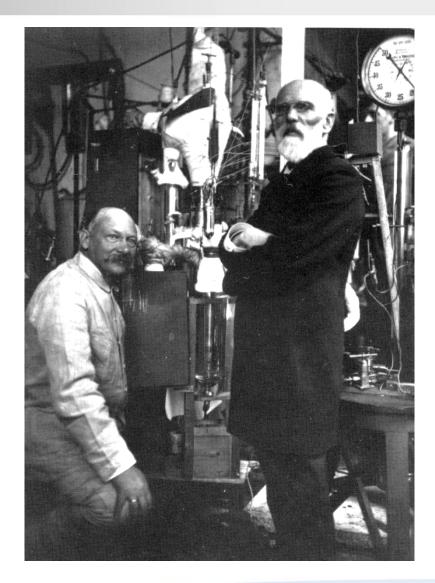
Outline



- 1 Superconductivity: the amazing phenomenon
- 2 Potential applications
- 3 Low Temperature Superconductors
- 4 High Temperature Superconductors: new wealth of commercial opportunities
- 5 How to make useful HTS material
- 6 2G HTS wire market
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Superconductivity

SuperOx



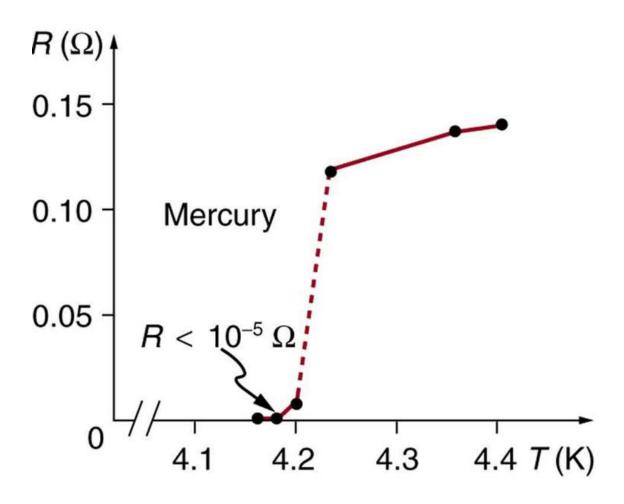


Heike Kamerlingh Onnes 1853 -1926

Heike Kamerlingh Onnes discovered superconductivity in 1911

Superconductivity: the discovery





At T < 4.2 K, the electrical resistivity of pure mercury drops to zero

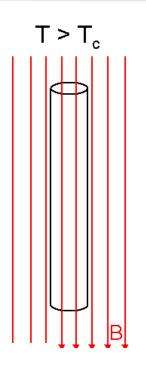
Superconductivity: the Meissner effect

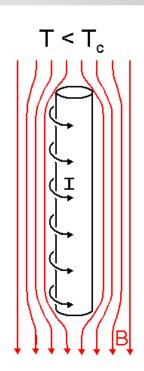
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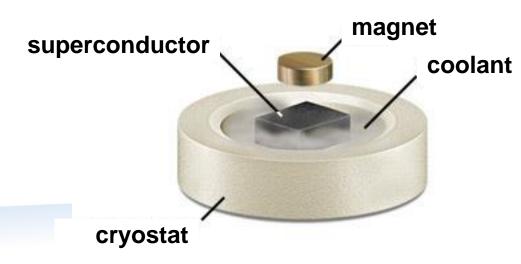
Superconductors repel magnetic field.

Superconducting eddy current generates magnetic field that cancels the external field.

Superconductors are perfect diamagnetics.

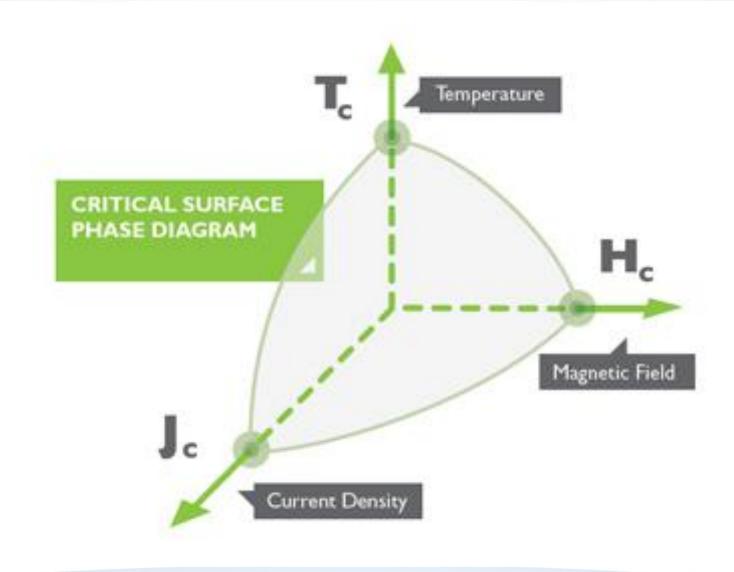






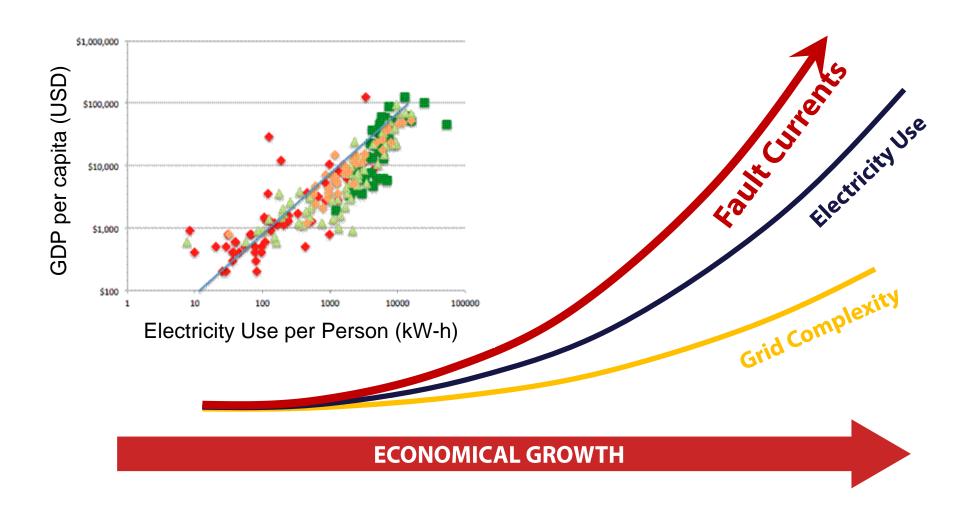
Superconductivity: critical surface





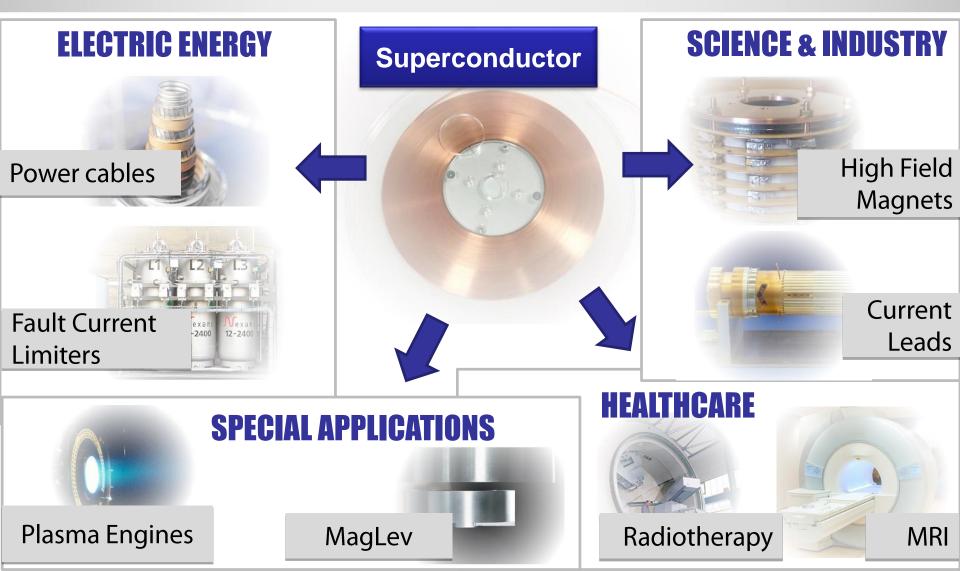
Electric energy: growth everywhere





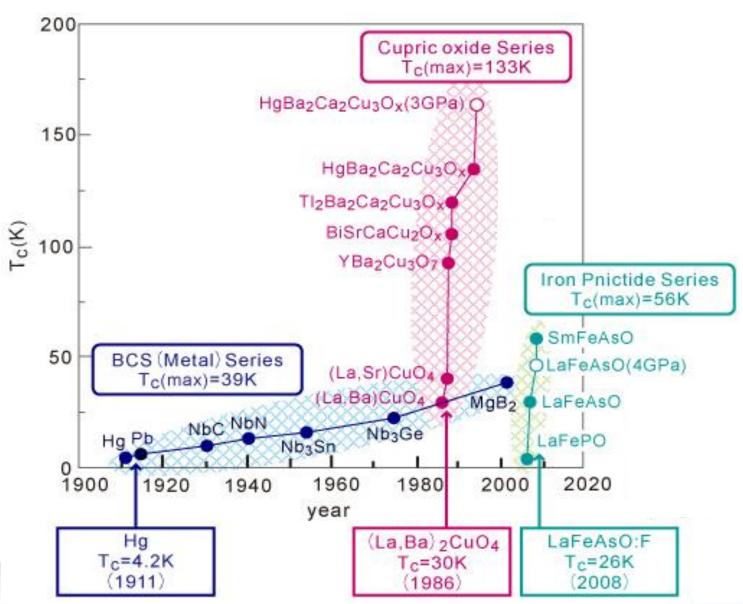
Applications of superconductivity





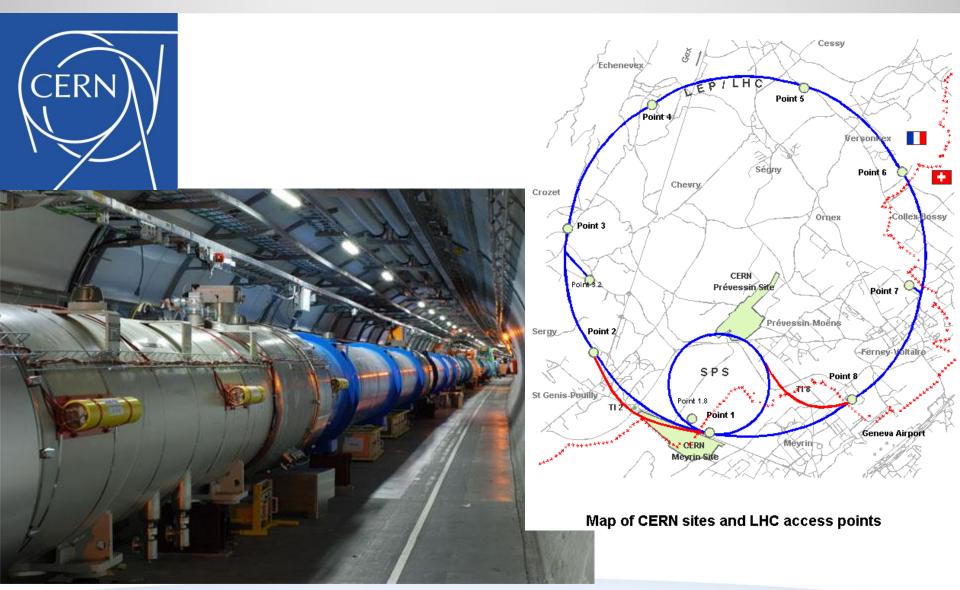
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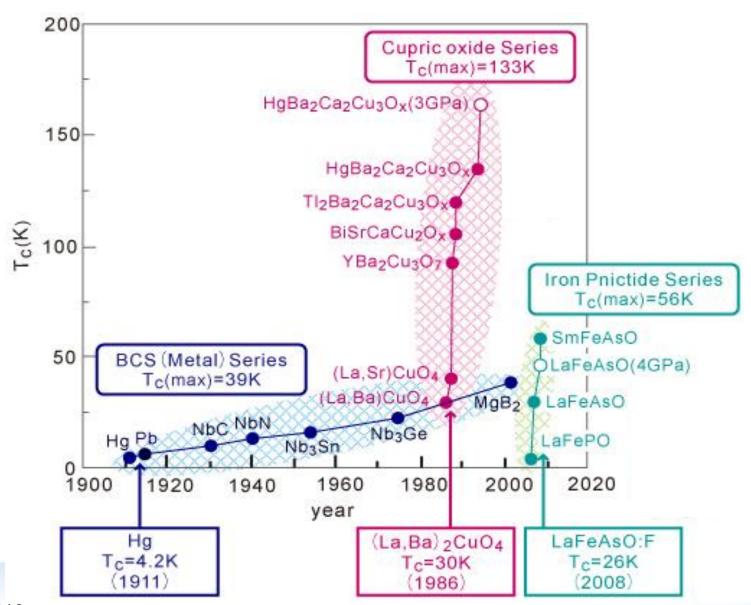


LTS use: high (cost) energy physics



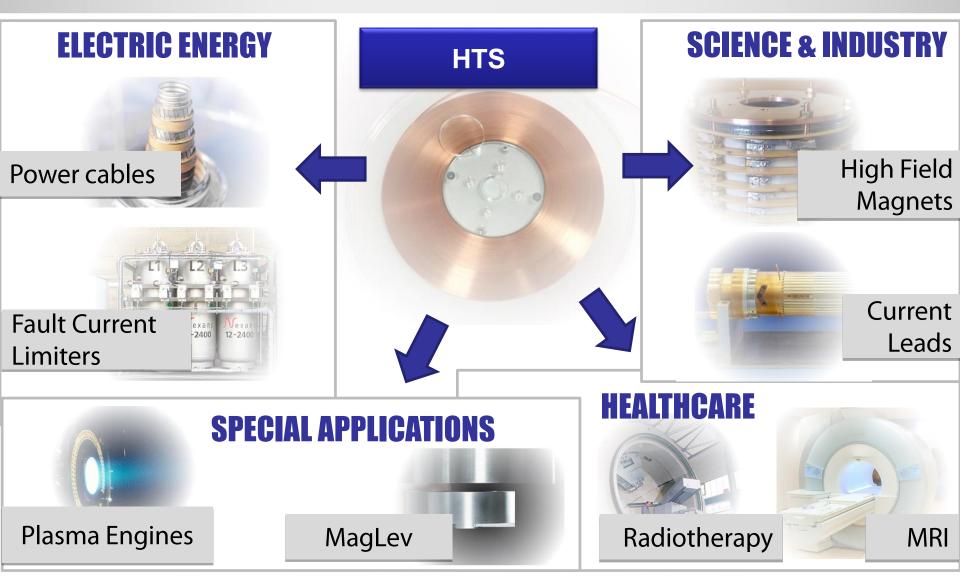


High Temperature Superconductors (HTS) SuperOx



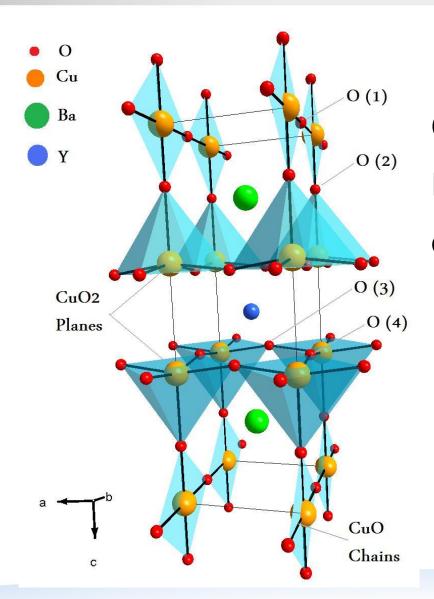
HTS: real commercial opportunities





HTS: from powder to conductor

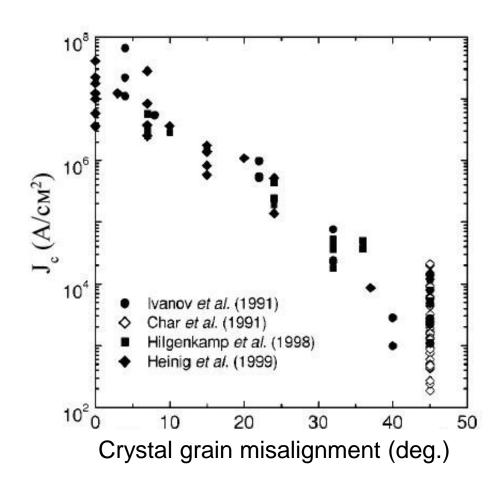




Crystal anisotropy in RE-Ba₂Cu₃O₇ leads to anisotropy of superconducting properties

HTS: from powder to conductor

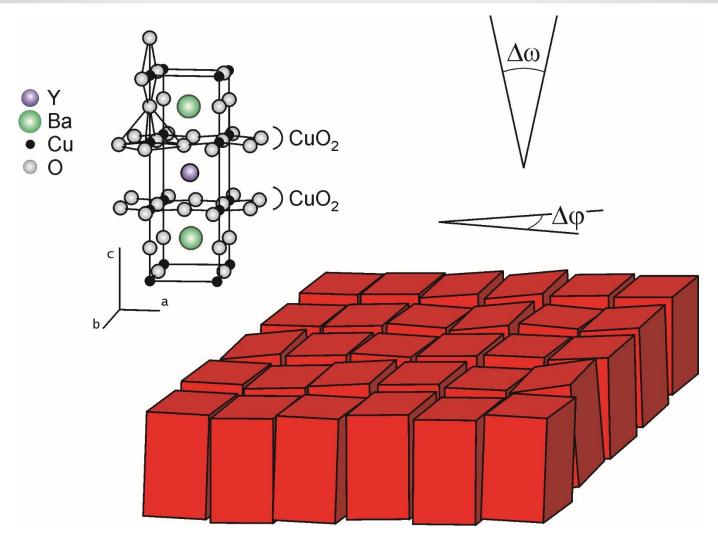




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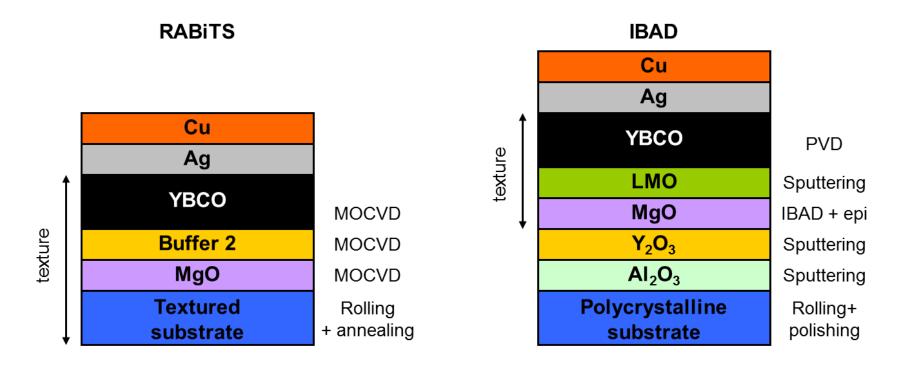




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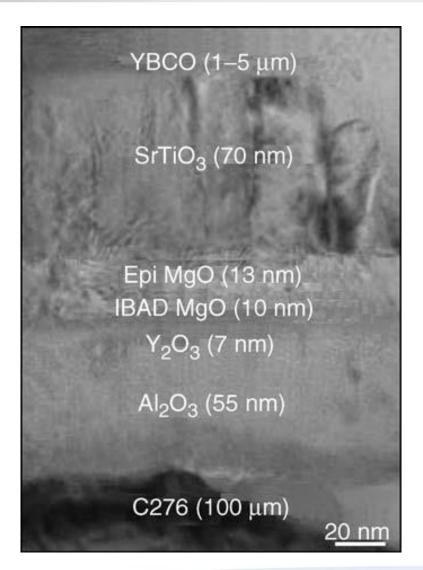
2G HTS wire: from powder to conductor

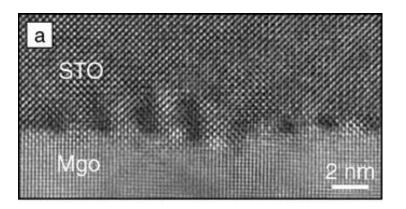


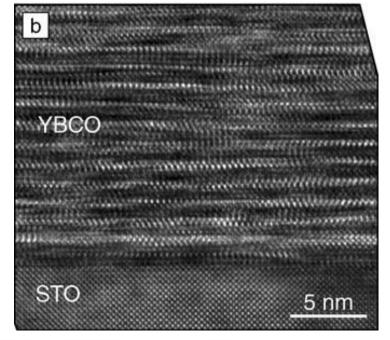


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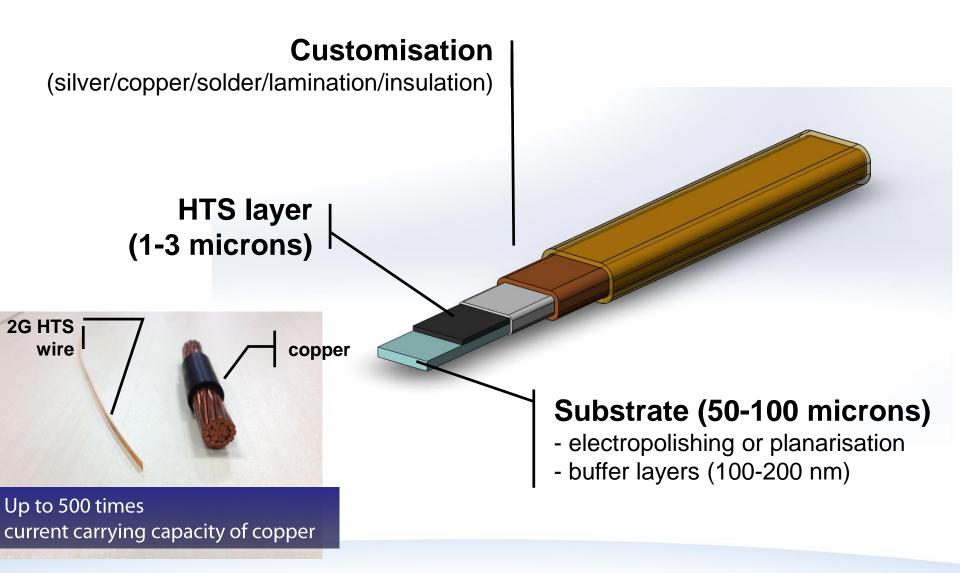




Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) images

2G HTS wire



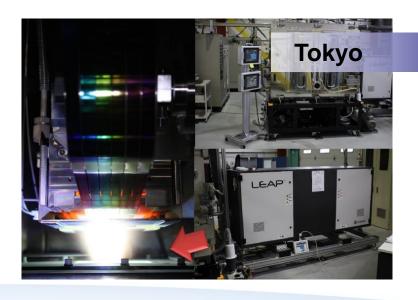


SuperOx



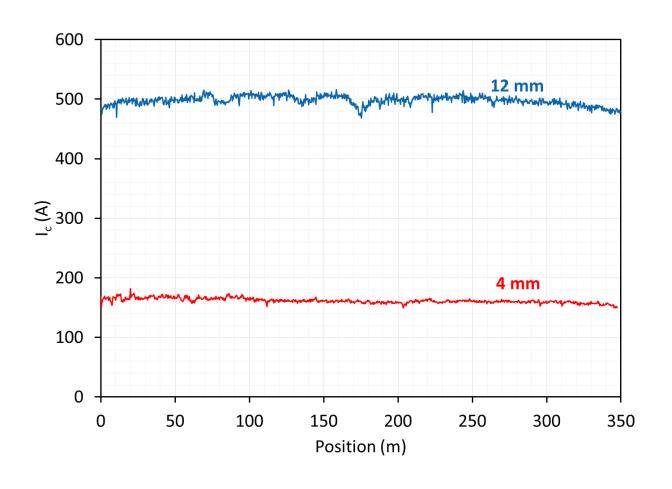
- 2006: SuperOx founded
- 2011: SuperOx Japan LLC founded
- 2011: SuperOx Innovations LLC becomes a Skolkovo resident
- 2012: start of 2G HTS wire production and sales
- 2013: relocation of SuperOx to Technopark Slava
- 2016: delivery of 2G HTS wire to customers around the world





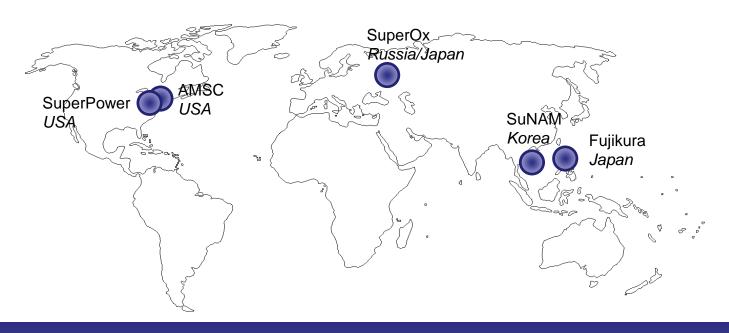
2G HTS wire properties





2G HTS wire market: players





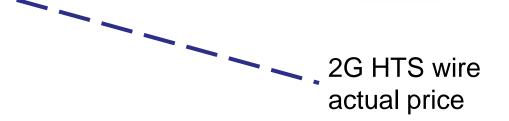
SuperOx is the only commercial 2G HTS wire manufacturer in Europe

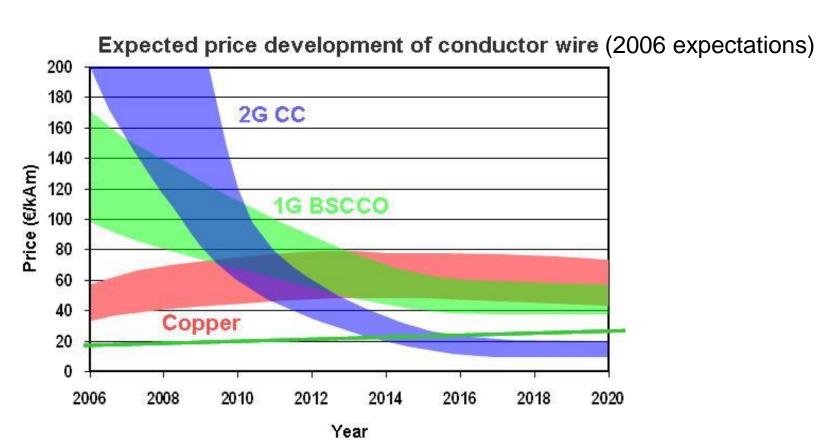
SuperOx strategy:

- Enter the 2G HTS wire market
- Differentiate product by providing deep wire customisation
- Develop HTS applications to generate demand on wire and capture added value

2G HTS wire market: price dynamics





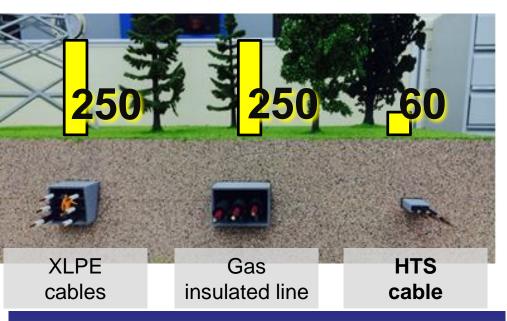


HTS Power Cables – High Voltage



■ Superconducting cable has **the lowest losses** and is the **most compact solution**

Yellow bars: **losses** in kW per km



Most compact solution for energy transport for GWatt-level transmission

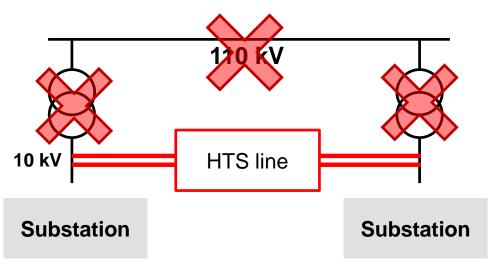


Over 15 pilot systems worldwide

HTS Power Cables – Middle Voltage



- Superconducting cable can transmit 5 times more power in same cross-section
- Energy transmission at middle voltage instead of high voltage becomes feasible
- Big potential to remove substations and high voltage lines from city centres





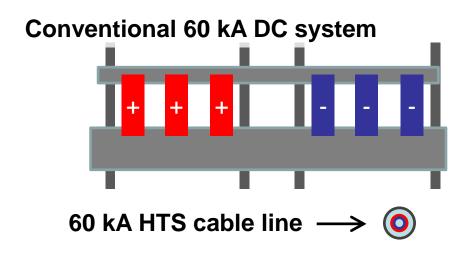
Making substations in cities superfluous

AmpaCity project (Essen/Germany)

HTS Power Cables – Low Voltage



- Due to zero resistance HTS decrease losses in current buses
- HTS help to reduce dramatically the size of transmission line
- Large potential is seen for <u>electrolysis plants (Al, Cu, Zn, Cl₂)</u> and <u>data-centers</u>



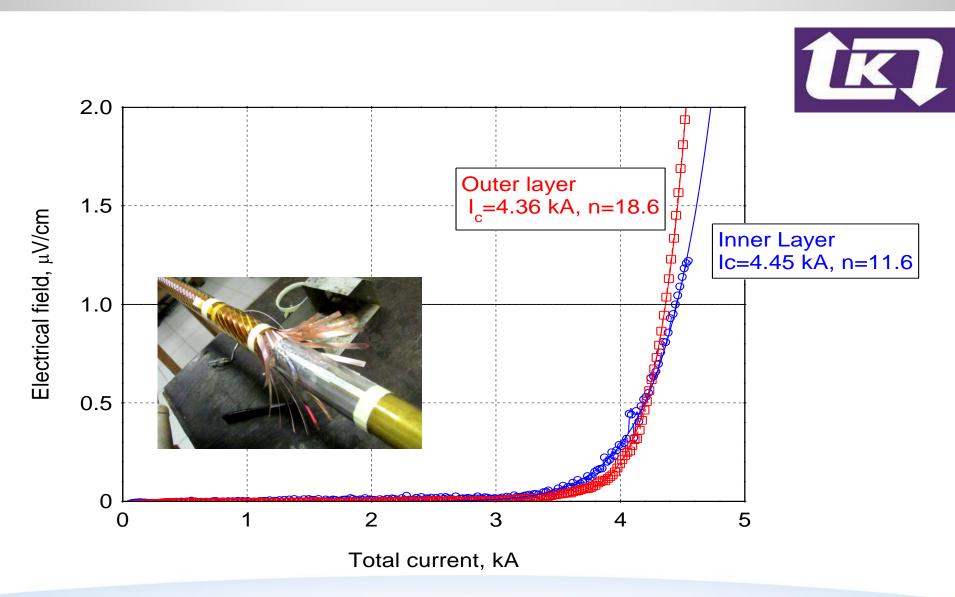


Cross-section is reduced by x20

10 kA HTS Cable at aluminium electrolysis plant (China)

2G HTS single core cable

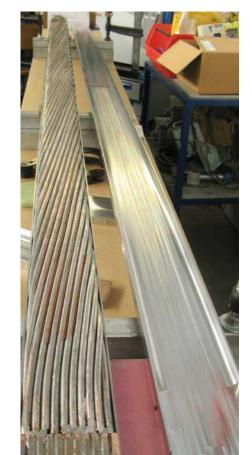




Large currents for high fields

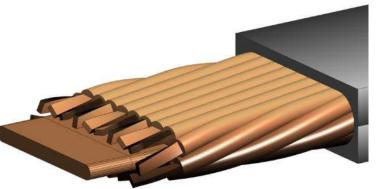


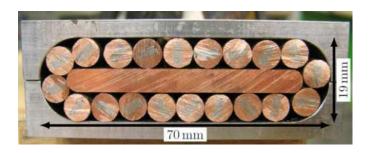
Courtesy of EPFL-CRPP, Dr. Bruzzone et al.







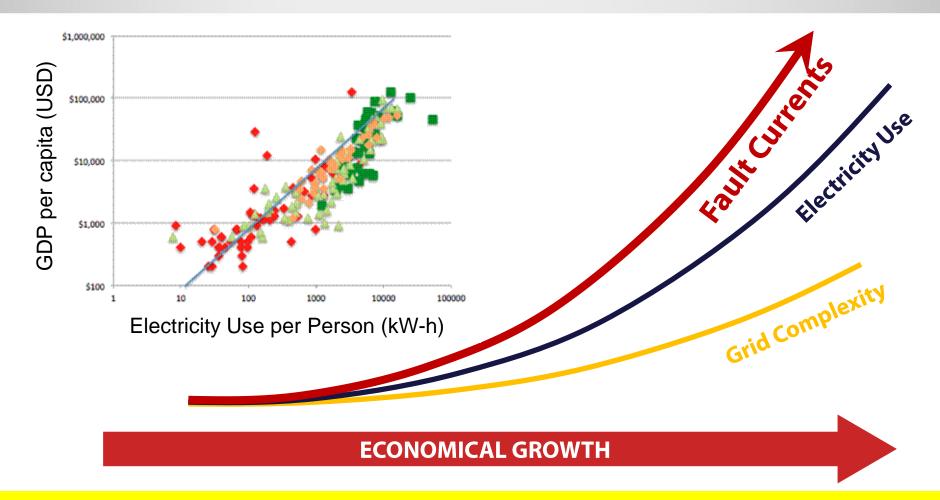




60 kA DC current lead Rutherford cable for fusion reactor coils made with SuperOx 2G HTS wire

Fault current limitation: a vital task



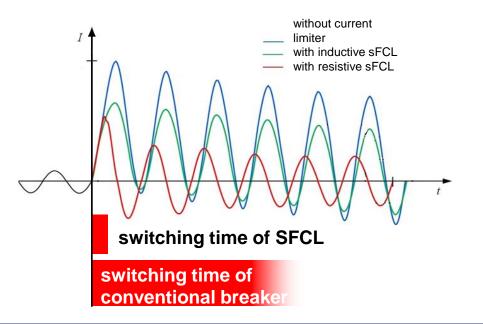


Fault currents lead to blackouts and require \$\$\$ for grid upgrade

HTS Fault Current Limiters (SFCL)



- Extremely needed power equipment for electric power industry and Smart Grid
- 10-100 times faster than any other existing system



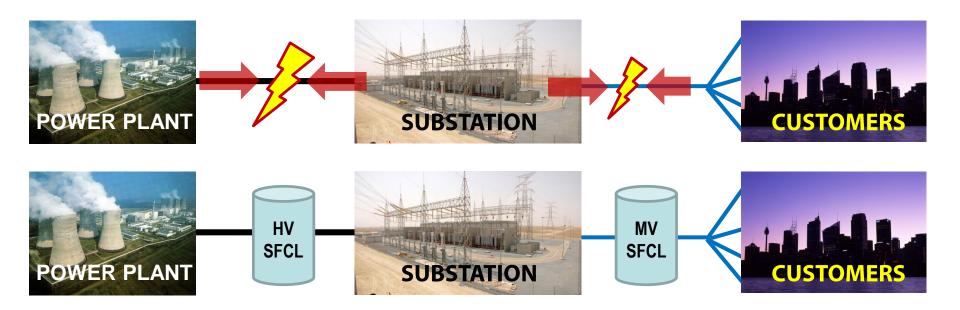
China Gernany USA Korea

In many instances, there are no viable alternatives to SFCL

More than 15 successful pilots worldwide







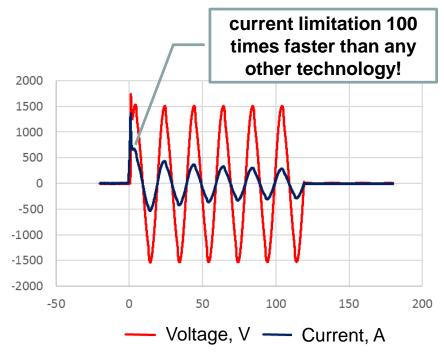
The market is growing with CAGR 30-100%. The largest share in densely populated Asia. Today is a perfect entry point.

SFCL development by SuperOx



- SuperOx develops turn-key SFCL solutions for any grid
- SuperOx owns important IP in SFCL
- SuperOx is the only manufacturer of 2G HTS wire in Europe





SFCL: SuperOx product





Product type	Benefits for the Customer
High-Voltage SFCL for transmission grid	 Very low probability of power outages Reduce fault currents below 40 kA Low electrical losses Reduce capital investment in circuit breaker replacement in large cities by more than 80%
Medium-Voltage SFCL for distribution grid and coal power plants	 Reduce fault currents below 20 kA High reliability of electrical power supply Yearly cost savings for coal plant at 200% of SFCL purchase price

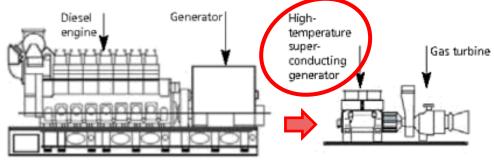
HTS Generators

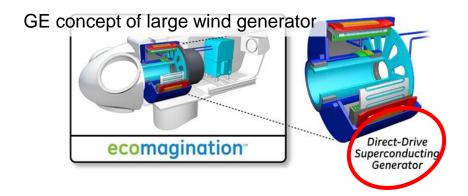


- HTS machines are significantly smaller in size and weight and have high efficiency even at low rotation speeds
- Especially attractive for **on-board generation** (e.g., ship) or **wind energy**



Source: Siemens, GE



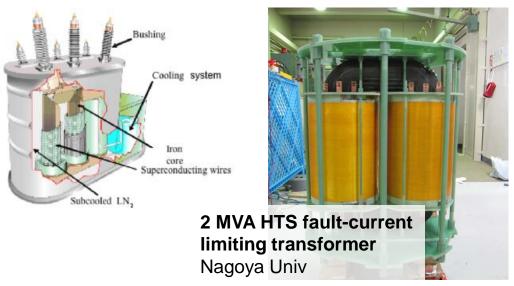


HTS Transformers



- HTS transformers are more energy efficient, reducing life-costs by 70%
- non-flammable and very compact (weight is reduced by 40%)
- can be designed with fault current limiting function (2 devices in one)



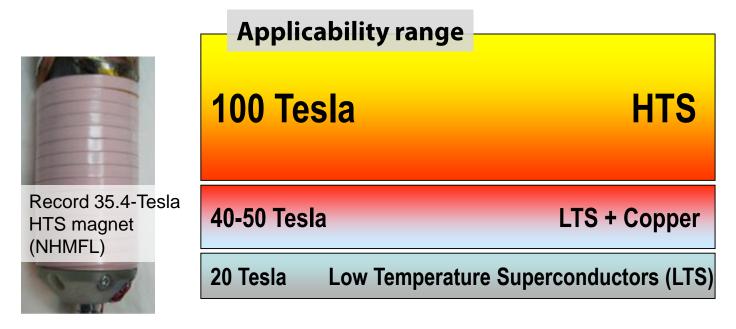


HTS enable new efficient transformers for future smart grid solutions

High Field HTS Magnets for Science



- Magnetic fields over >20 Tesla are essential for front-end research
- HTS magnets consume **0.1% of electric energy** of their copper counterparts



16.662 m 100 Tesla HTS magnet concept (MIT)

100T

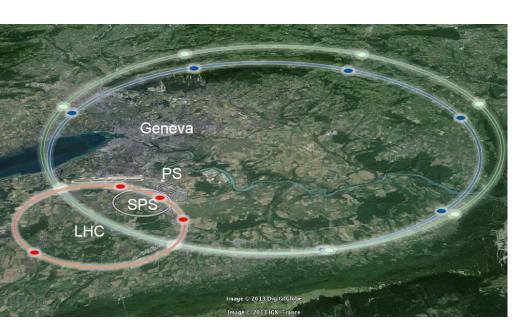
Source: National High Magnetic Fields Lab, MIT

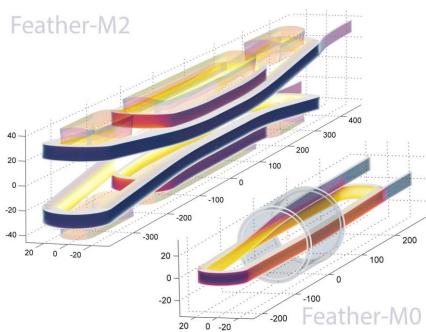
HTS enable magnets with fields over 50 Tesla – for the first time ever

HTS Magnets for Accelerators



■ HTS magnets, cables and current leads make possible Future Circular Collider (to be built at CERN by 2035)



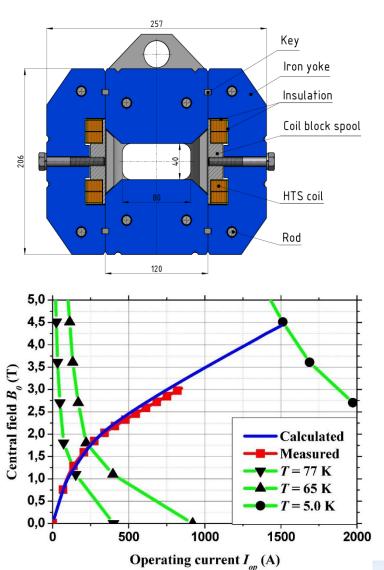


Source: CERN

HTS enable high magnetic fields, reduce energy consumption, facilitate power transmission in nearest future accelerators and colliders

HTS Dipole magnet







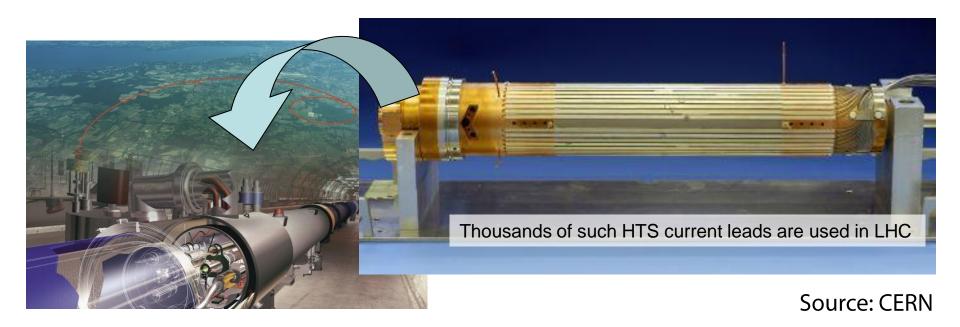
With SuperOx wire, HTS dipole magnet was made by High Energy Physics Institite, Protvino (2015) **Measured 3+ T field, limited by current source**

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HTS Current Leads for Accelerator Magnets



- HTS current leads feed electrical current inside low temperature superconducting magnets without large heat inflow
- HTS is the only material to solve this task (low thermal conductivity)



HTS current leads reduced energy consumption of LHC cooling system 3-fold

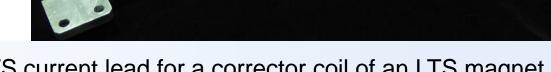
2G HTS current leads







Nuclotron LTS magnets NICA collider, Dubna JINR

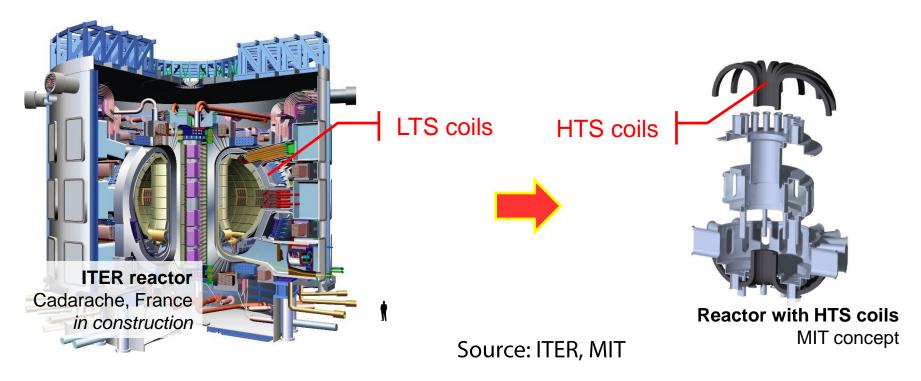


SuperOx's custom 100 A HTS current lead for a corrector coil of an LTS magnet

HTS Magnets for New Fusion Reactors



- In future, fusion reactors may provide clean energy for mankind
- ITER reactor will be built with LTS; **HTS is promising for next generation**

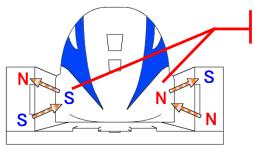


HTS magnets will enable higher fields for smaller, demountable fusion reactors

Magnetic Levitation for High Speed Trains



■ Superconducting magnets with 5 Tesla field are necessary for levitation trains









Source: Japanese Railway

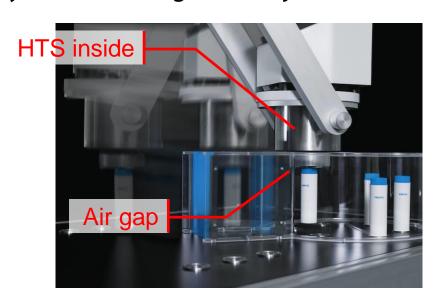
43 km-long Yamanashi test line with top speed 603 km/h LTS magnets are upgradable to HTS

Magnetic Levitation for Manipulators



- HTS provide stable levitation over permanent magnets
- Large potential contact-less manipulation systems for dangerous objects





Source: FESTO

SuperOx developed new HTS material for levitation – 2G HTS composite blocks

2G HTS composite bulk: levitation





https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sYMh0V7VMn8

Inductive Billet Heater



- HTS coils enable rapid heating of aluminium, copper, and brass billets
- Excellent uniformity, **operational costs are reduced by 50%**



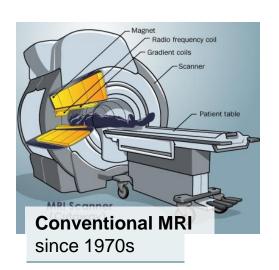
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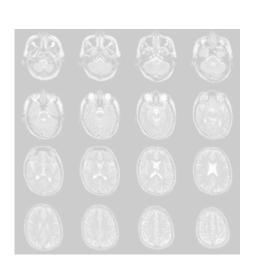
HTS inductive heating saves 180,000 EUR/year for each 0.5 MW aluminium heater

HTS for Magnetic Resonance Tomography



- MRI is the largest market for low temperature superconductors now (about \$2B)
- HTS are the key materials for high resolution devices (field > 10 Tesla)





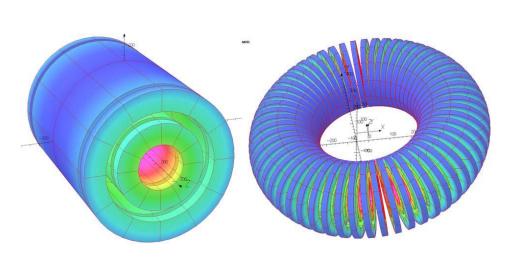


HTS enable MRI machines that are cheaper in operation (no liquid helium)

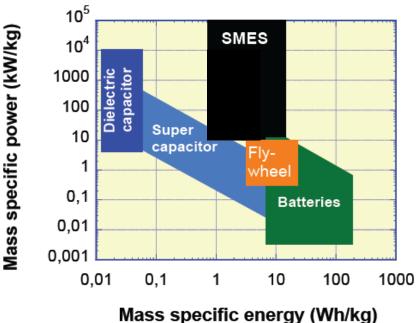
Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage



■ SMES is **perfect for generating high power pulses**



Source: Brookhaven Nat Lab



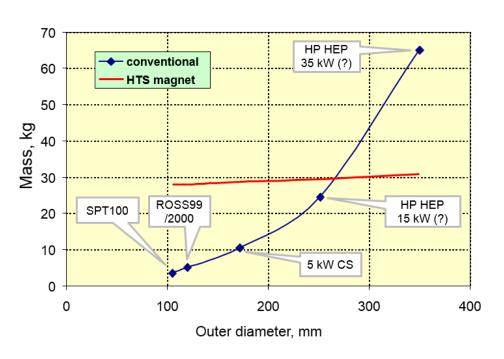
2.5 MJ SMES for military applications

Extremely fast charge/discharge

Magnets for Plasma Propulsion Engines



■ HTS magnets facilitate lightweight plasma propulstion engines





Source: Granados et al. / ISS2012

2 times lower weight for 35 kW engine

HTS for future aircraft





Thank you for your attention!

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