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# Review of Field Quality in Accelerator Magnets

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# Update on Field Quality

At a similar meeting some time ago, we over-estimated field errors in SSC magnets.

The technology and understanding of the field has improved since then. We should take advantage of that.

To make the above statement more credible, I would present mostly the measured data (in superconducting magnets) and review and explain the progress in the magnet technology in the field quality area.



# Field Quality in Iron Dominated Magnets

## STATUS REPORT ON THE TRANSMISSION LINE MAGNET

G.W. Foster,  
Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, PO Box 500 Batavia IL 60510  
September 29, 1997

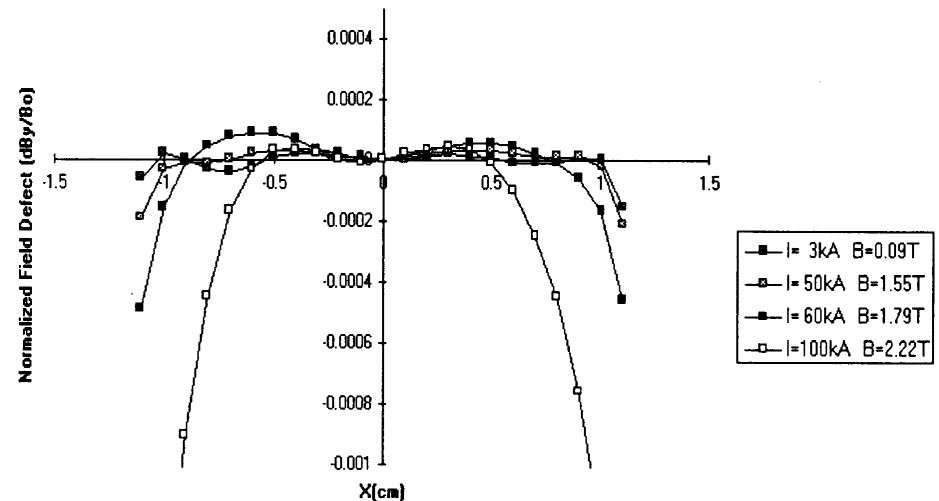
### Low Field:

A few parts in  $10^{-4}$  up to  
~70% of horizontal aperture.

### High Field (2T):

A few parts in  $10^{-4}$  up to  
~50% of horizontal aperture.

Field Defect vs. Excitation Crenelated Gradient Dipole





# Improvements in Iron Dominated Magnets

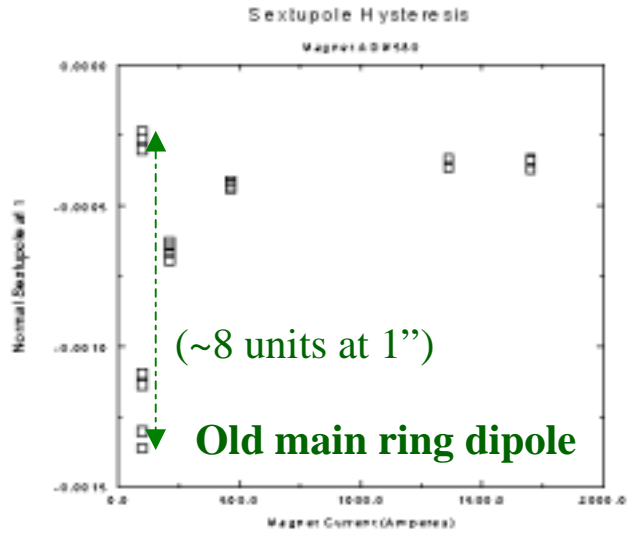


Figure 1: Normalized sextupole harmonics for a portion of the body of a Main Ring B1 dipole at transverse center. Injection field is about 400 Gauss at a current of about 97 A. All measurements are on an up ramp except for the more positive values shown at 97 A which are measured on a down ramp after a ramp to full field.

Magnet Series	Sext Up	Sext Down	Sext diff
	400 g	400 g	400 g
ADM (B1)	-7.5E-4		
BDM (B2)	-4.6E-4		
ODM (B3)	-1.0e-4		
IDC	-1.15E-4	-1.15e-4	0.8E-6

Table II: Summary of mean values of the normalized sextupole harmonics at 0.04 T for a various series of accelerator dipole design.

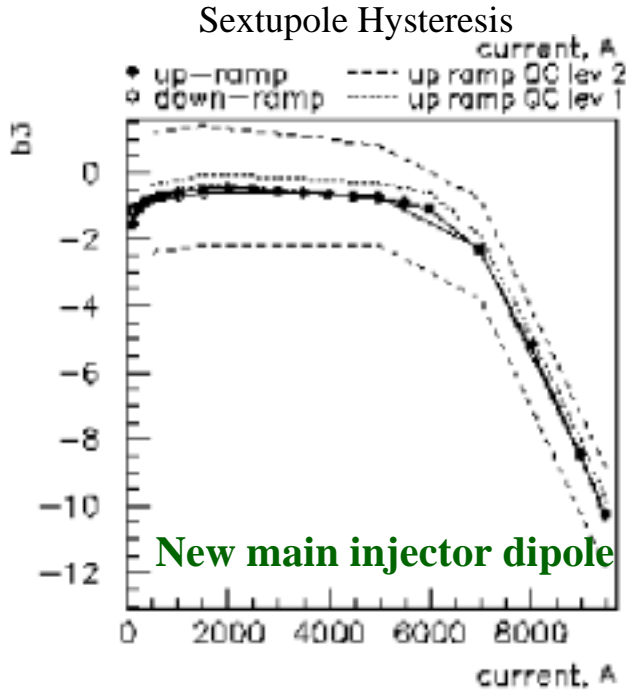


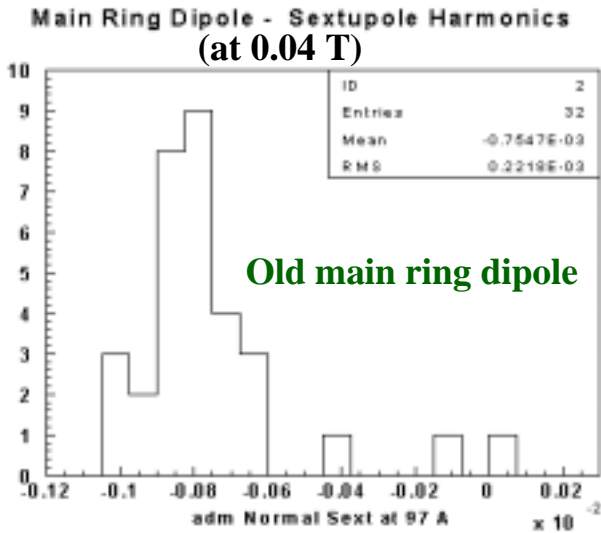
Figure 2: Normalized sextupole harmonics  $\times 10^4$  at  $1''$  reference radius integrated through Main Injector dipole IDC028-0. Injection is at 1000 Gauss at a current of 500 A. Measurements with a full length probe are taken at the fixed currents plotted with both up ramp and down ramp measurements shown. At most currents, the hysteretic fields produce a slightly more positive sextupole on the down ramp. Solid and dashed lines are limits on the magnet-to-magnet variability expected based on previously measured dipoles.

- Data from Bruce Brown, FNAL. He claims that the main injector dipoles have shown that in iron dominated magnets now one can go to field as low as to 0.04 T (rather than 0.1 T), as the low field hysteresis errors are significantly reduced.

- AP issues?



# Improvements in Iron Dominated Magnets (continued) - Comparison at 0.04 T (400G)



**FNAL Main Ring Dipoles  
Aperture: 3 inch X 5 inch**

**Sextupole at 1 inch  
(40% of horizontal aperture)  
 $\langle b_2 \rangle \sim 1$  ;  $\sigma(b_2) \sim 1.6$**

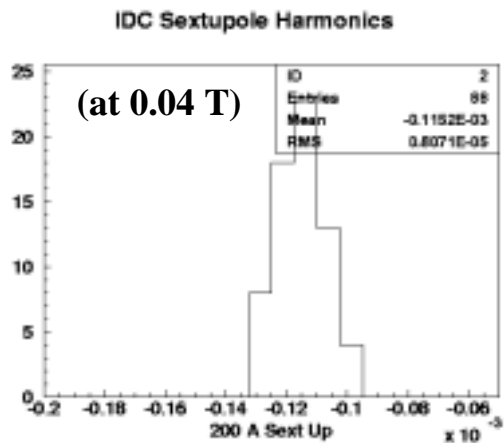


Figure 5: Histogram of normalized sextupole field at 200 A excitation for Main Injector IDC dipoles. Magnets prepared with 3 ramps to full field with resets to 0 A before ramp to 200 A for this measurement.

**FNAL Main Injector Dipoles  
Aperture: 2 inch X 6 inch**

**Sextupole at 1 inch  
(33% of horizontal aperture)  
 $\langle b_2 \rangle \sim 1.2$  ;  $\sigma(b_2) \sim 0.08$**

Data from  
Bruce Brown, FNAL.

Can one can go to field as low  
as to 0.04 T for injection  
(rather than 0.1)?

If yes from field quality point  
of view, then how about the  
accelerator physics (AP)  
issues?

**\*Harmonic measurements are reliable up to  $b_6$  (14 pole), as per Brown.**



# Review of Field Quality in SC Magnets

## Major improvements in last 10-15 years

>> **Not** just 10-20% but by several factors !!!

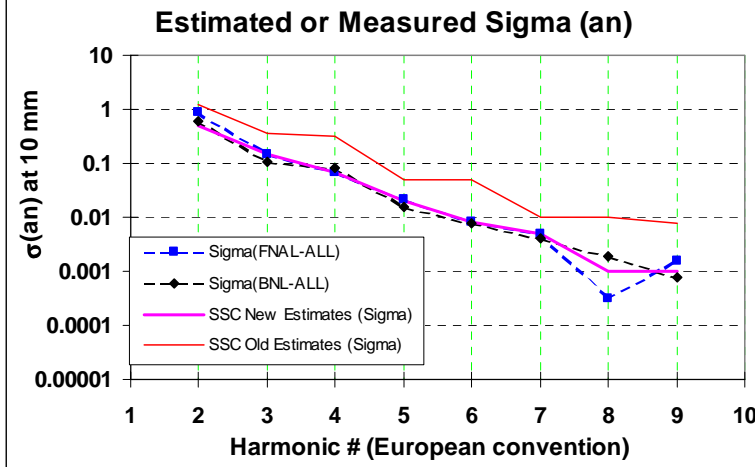
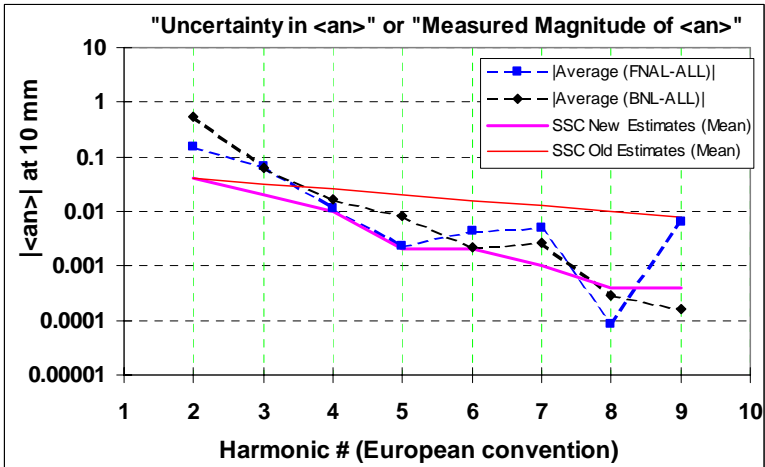
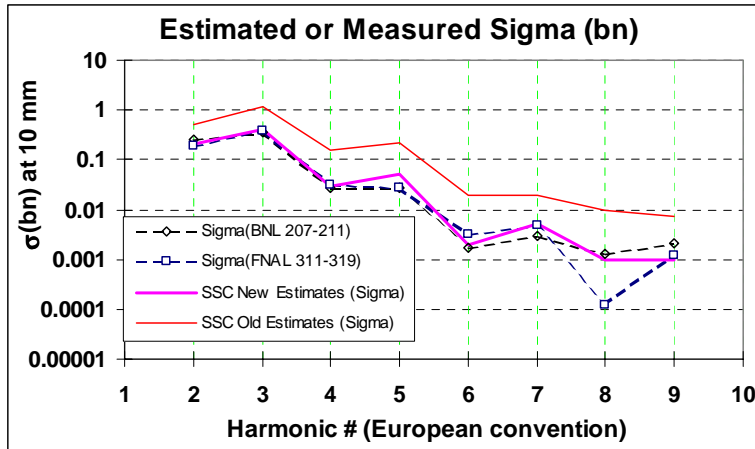
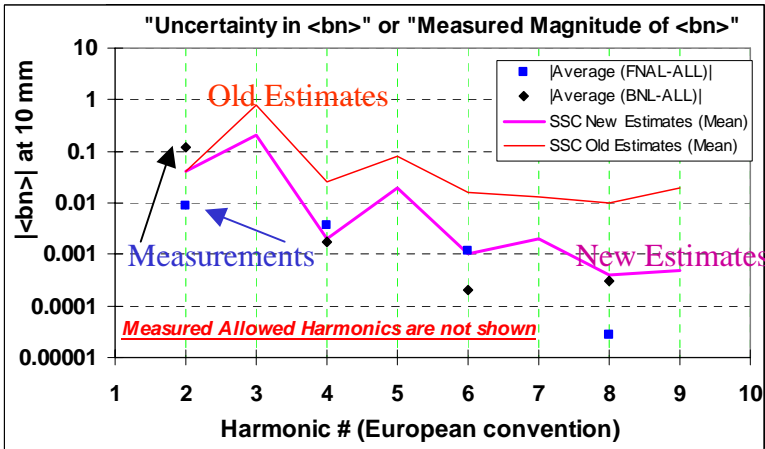
**Most of this presentation (specially on SC magnets) will deal with the field quality measurements in “*actual magnets*”; and not just the theoretical expectations.**



# Field Quality in SSC Magnets (Lab built prototype dipoles)

Note:  
 A general improvement by a factor of 3-10.

Expected and Measured Harmonics at 2 T in BNL-built and FNAL-built SSC 50 mm Aperture Dipoles

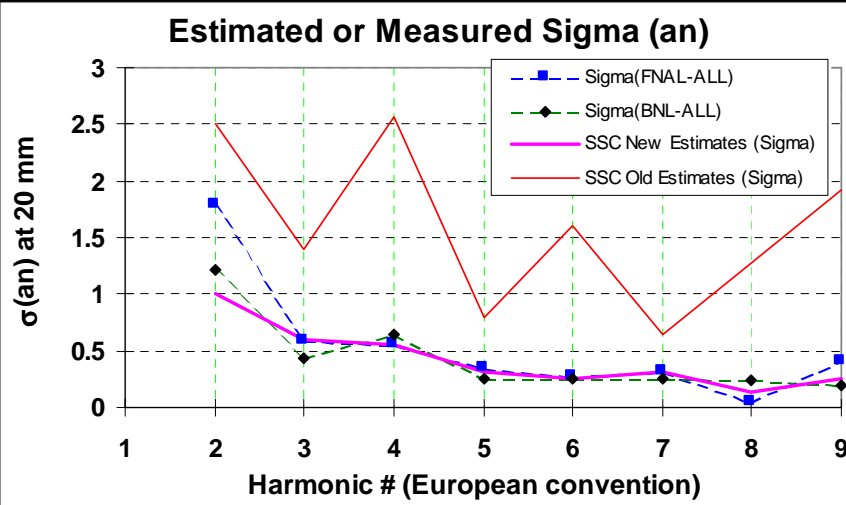
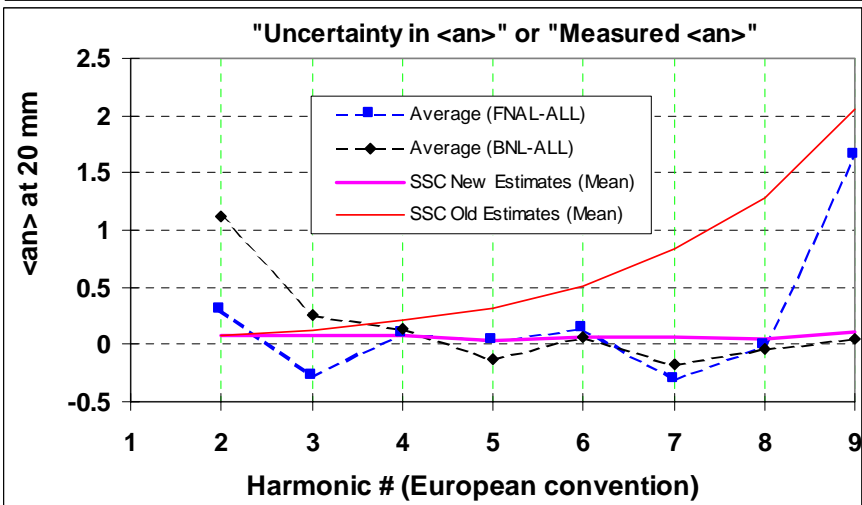
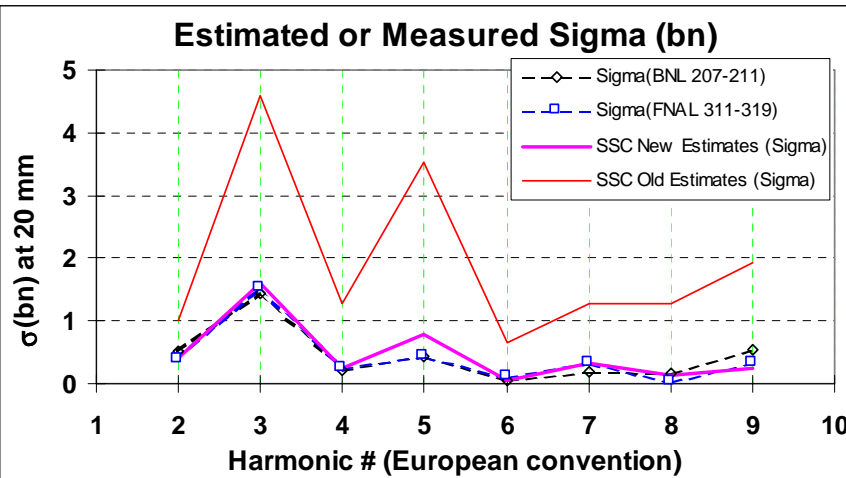
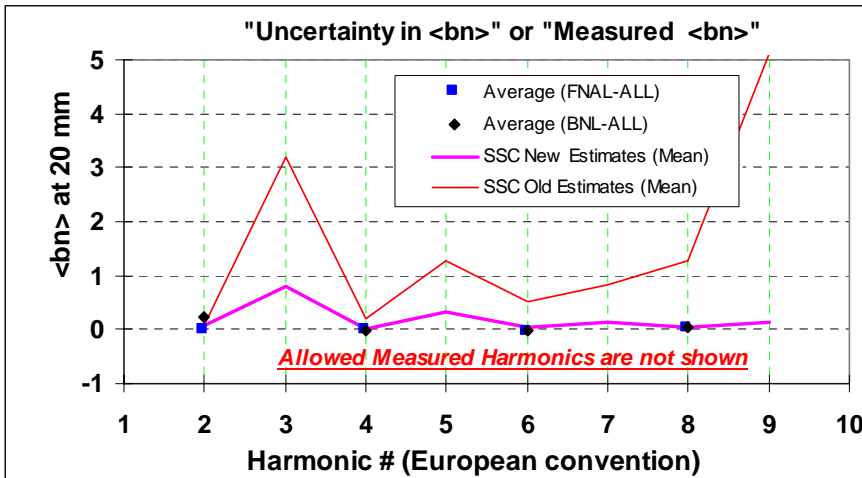




# Field Errors in SSC dipoles

## How off we were from reality?

**Expected and Measured Harmonics at 2 T in SSC Dipoles (previously shown in LOG scale at 10 mm )**







# Measured Current Dependence in BNL-built SSC Magnets

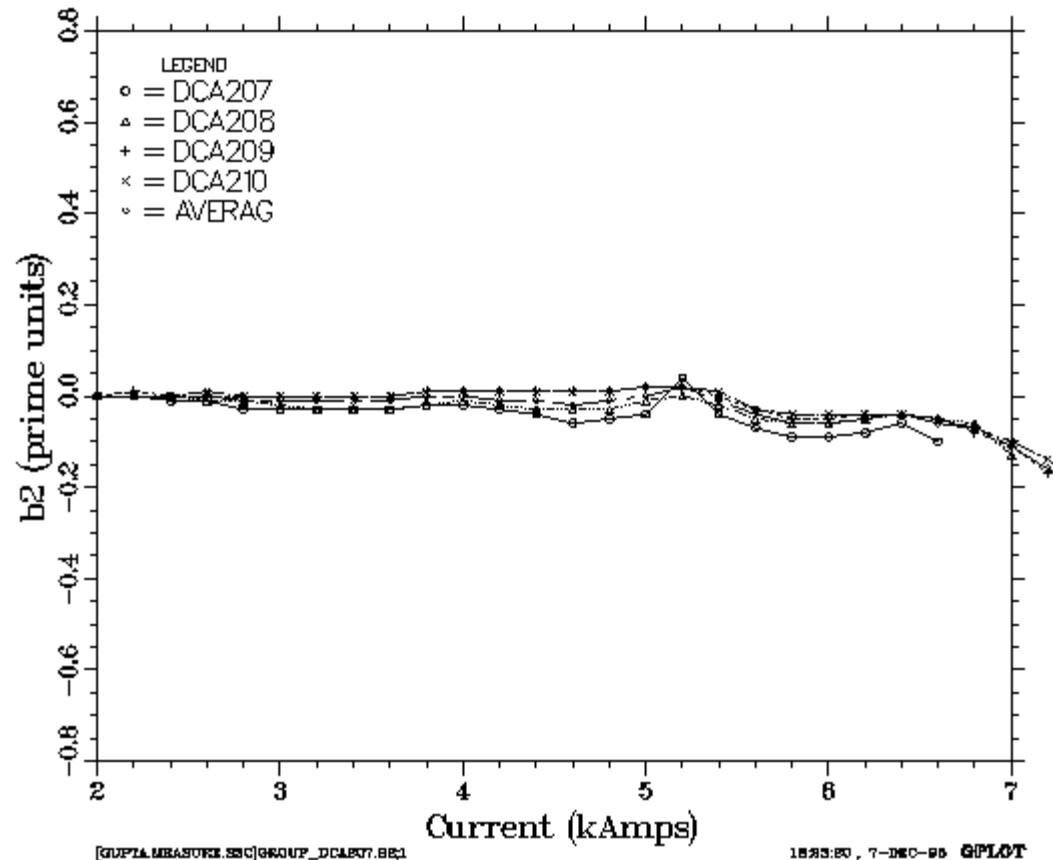
Specifications was 0.8 unit.

These BNL built magnets had almost zero current dependence.

Earlier magnets had larger current dependence.

Major progress has been made in reducing the current dependence in field harmonics.

*b2 saturation in SSC 50 MM Long Magnets*





# Lessons from SSC Magnet Program

Never built a single field quality dipole magnet

- old conventional thinking style that
  - (a) it can not be done.
  - (b) fix other parameters first.

This contributed to retaining inaccurate estimates for a long time and to the conclusions drawn on the basis of those estimates.

However, built several 50 mm prototype magnets

- all wrong, but most by "a similar amount" ("important").

Therefore, the results (measurements) are appropriate for objectively evaluating/reviewing

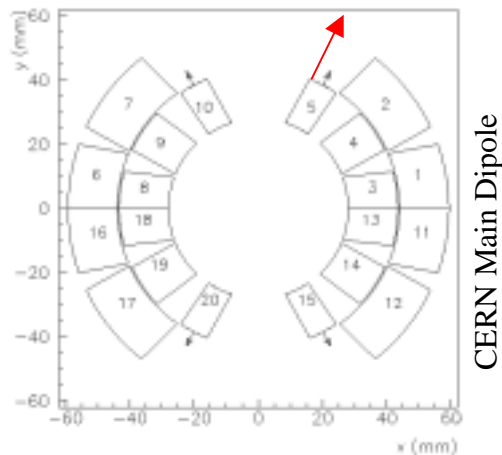
- RMS (superimposed over systematic) errors in field harmonics.
- systematic errors in most non-allowed harmonics.



# Why were we so wrong in estimating field errors in SSC dipoles?

## Popular Models

Generally there are 25-50 micron (1-2 mil) error in parts and construction. Therefore, allow this kind of positional error in each of several blocks of conductor (see picture below) and then sum the resultant field errors in an RMS sort of way.



Movement in popular models: one red arrow

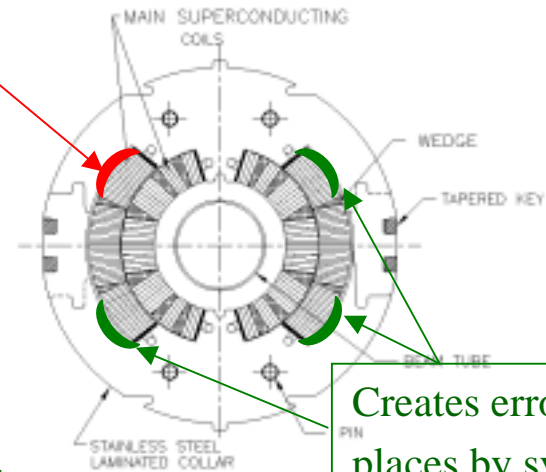
Symmetric model: 4 black arrows

Realistic model: some thing in between but closer to black arrows

## Current Thinking (personal opinion)

The errors in parts do not necessarily translate to the error in field harmonics. The effect gets significantly reduced from averaging and symmetry considerations. For example consider how a systematic or random error in collar, wedge, cable, coil curing plays in a real magnet.

Error in collar here



Creates error at other places by symmetry



# Three magnets with similar apertures Tevatron, HERA and RHIC

## Tevatron Dipole (76.2 mm bore)

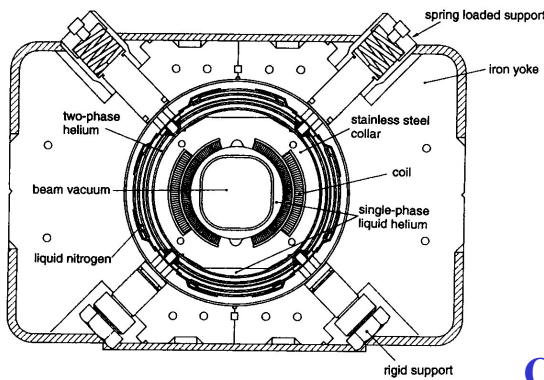
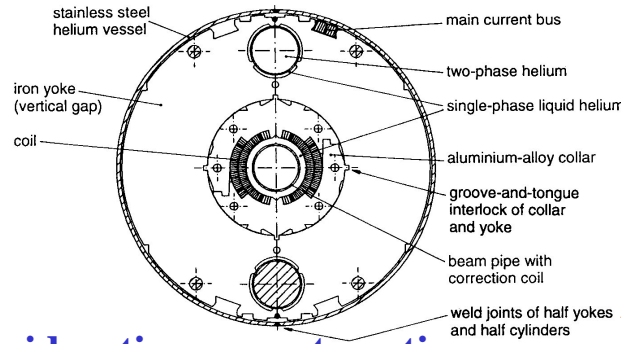
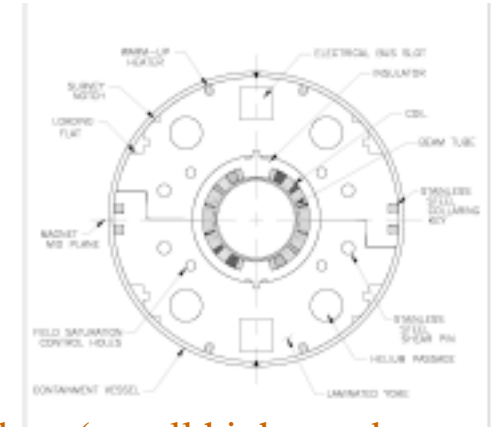


Figure 4.9: The Tevatron 'warm-iron' dipole (Tollestrup 1979).

## HERA Dipole (75 mm bore)



## RHIC Dipole (80 mm bore)



### Consideration on systematic errors

No Wedges (large higher order systematic harmonics expected).  
S.S. Collars - Iron away from coil (small saturation expected).

Wedges ( small higher order harmonics expected).  
Al Collars - Iron away from coil (small saturation expected).

Wedges ( small higher order harmonics expected).  
Thin RX630 spacers to reduce cost - Iron close to coil (large saturation from conventional thinking. **But reality opposite: made small with design improvements).**

**Collars used in Tevatron and HERA dipoles have smaller part-to-part dimensional variation (RMS variation ~10 μ) as compared to RX630 spacers (RMS variation ~50 μ) used in RHIC dipoles.**

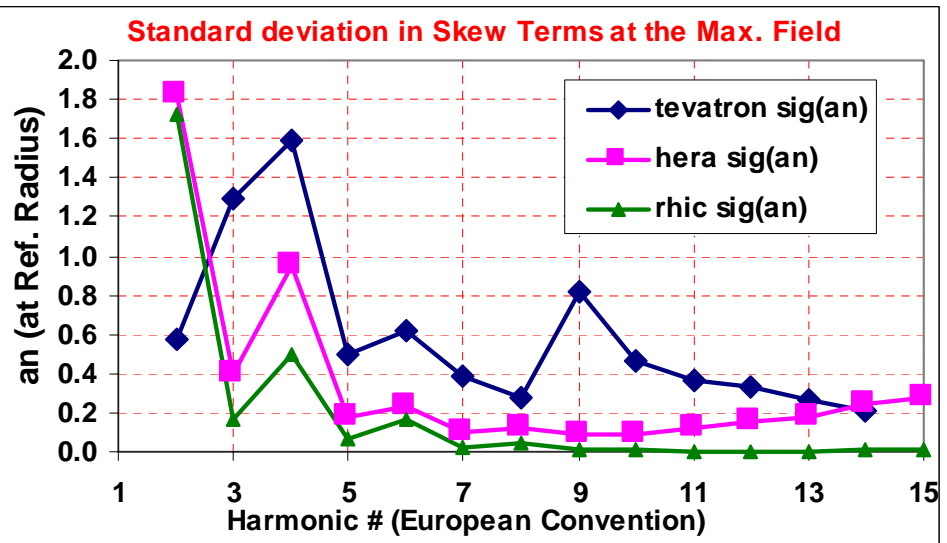
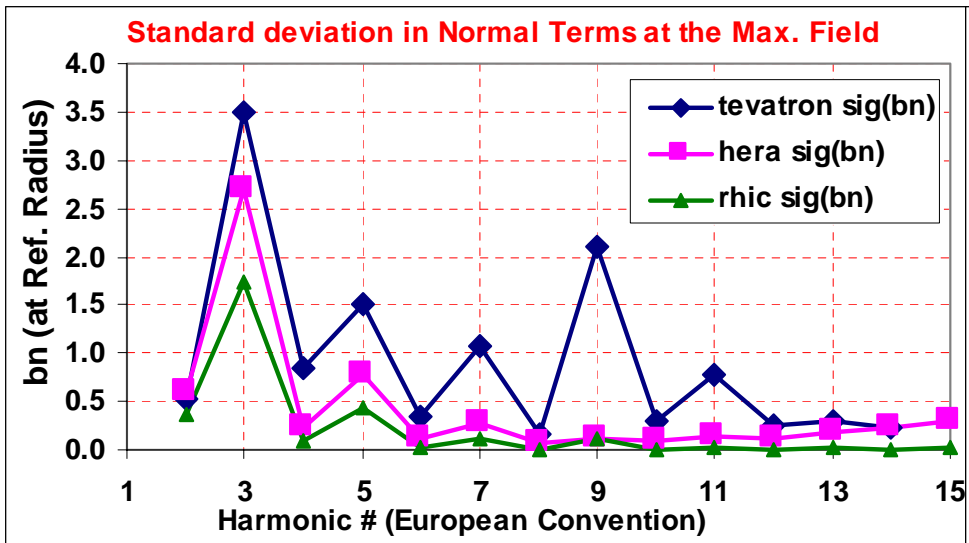
**Conventional thinking : RHIC dipoles will have larger RMS errors. But in reality, it was opposite.**

**Why? The answer changes the way we look at the impact of mechanical errors on field quality !**



# Comparison of Field Quality in three similar aperture magnets

	Tevatron	HERA	RHIC
Reference Radius (mm)	25.4	25	25
Coil Diameter (mm)	76.2	75	80



**RHIC has lower sigmas (except for a2 where tevatron used smart bolts)**

**Lower Order Harmonics generally due to Construction Errors**

**Higher Order Harmonics generally due to Measurement Errors**

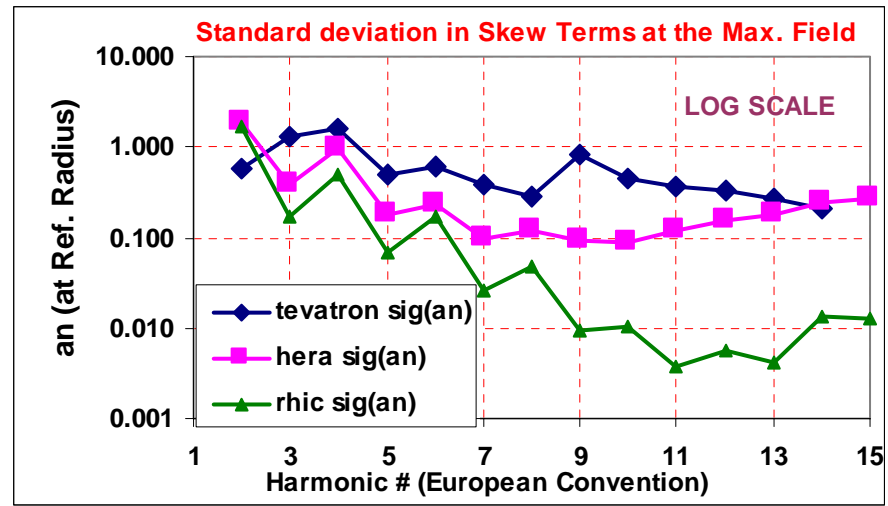
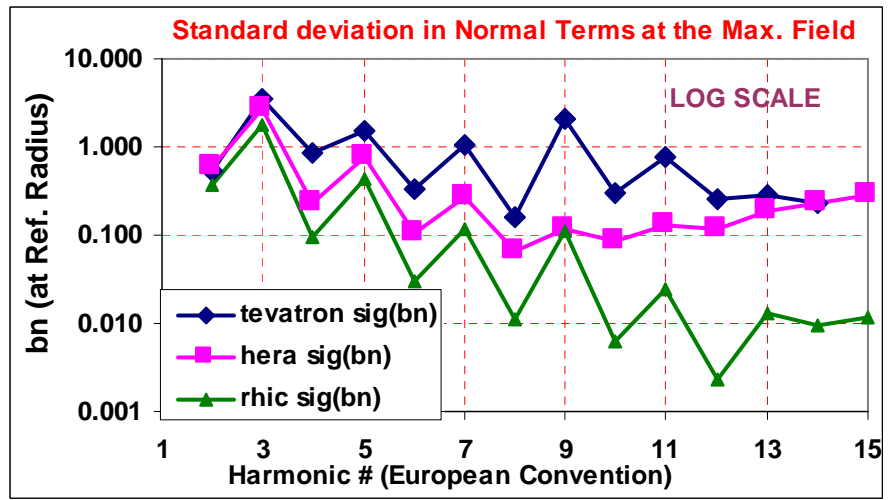


# Comparison of Field Quality in Tevatron, HERA and RHIC dipoles

(Large scale production of similar aperture magnets)

Here the normal and skew harmonics are presented in LOG scale. They were shown earlier in linear scale.

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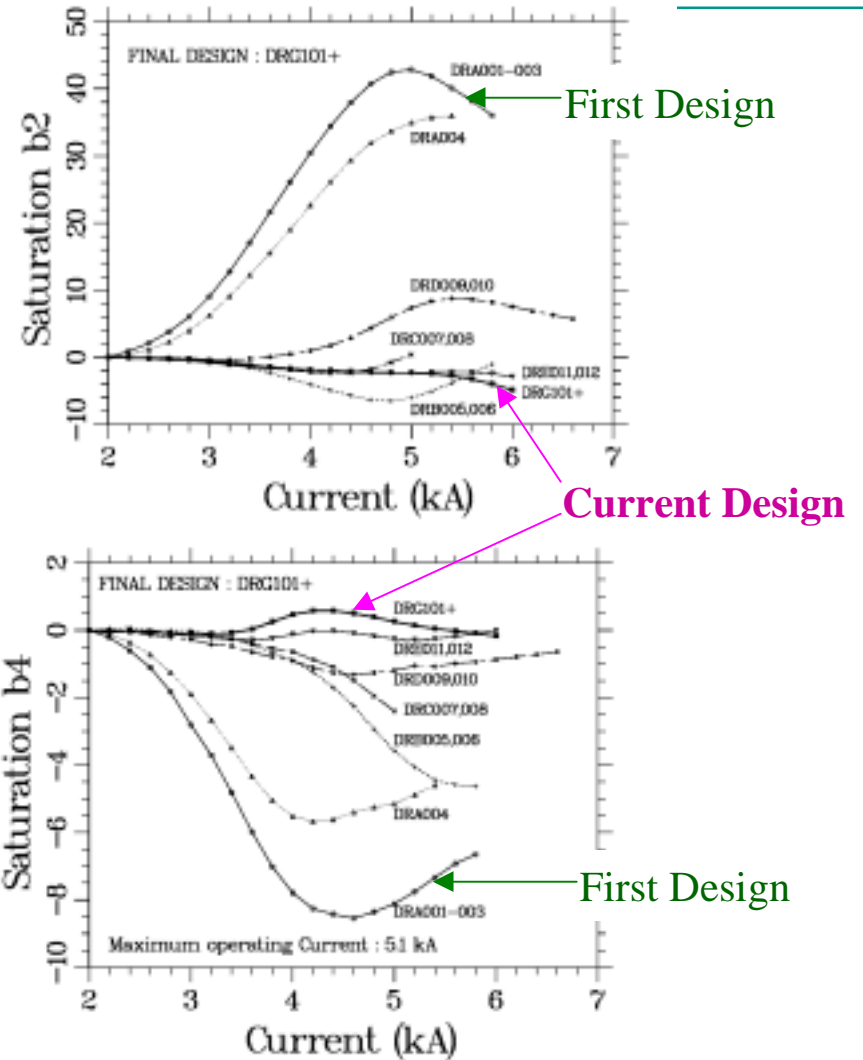
# Saturation in RHIC Arc Dipoles

**In RHIC iron is closer to coil and contributes ~ 50% of coil field**

**3.45 T (Total) ~ 2.3 T (Coil)  
+ 1.15 (Iron)**

Initial design had bad saturation  
(as expected from conventional wisdom),  
but a number of developments made the  
saturation induced harmonics nearly zero!

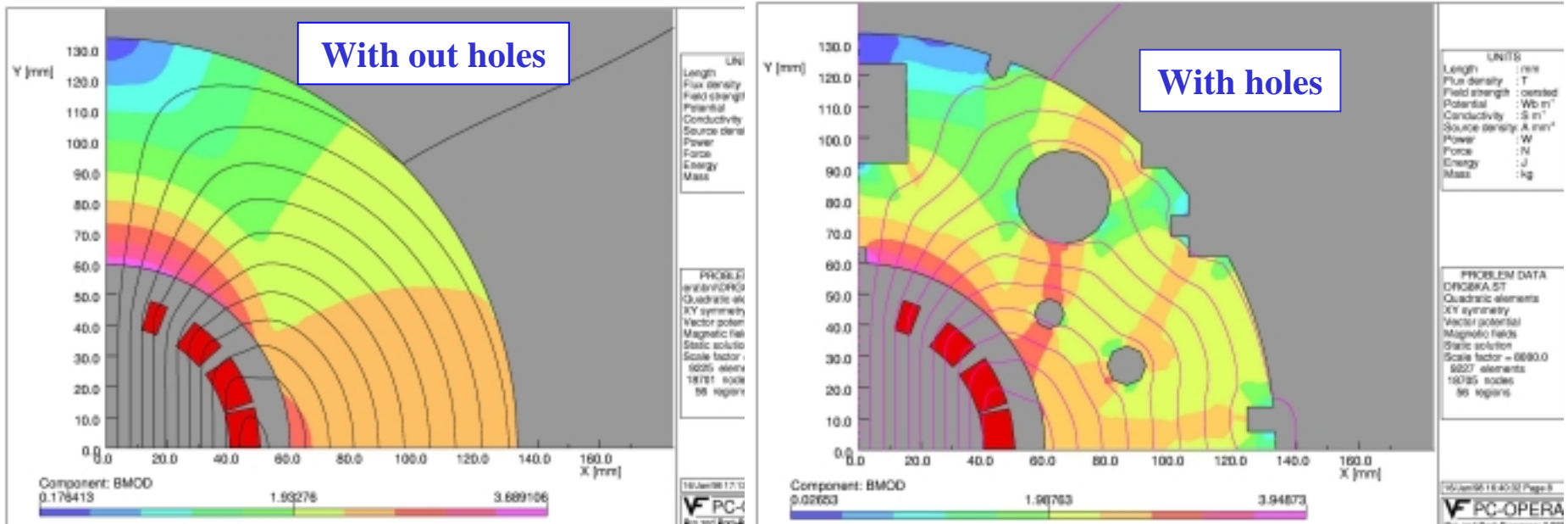
Only full length magnets are shown.  
Design current is ~ 5 kA (~3.5 T)





# Saturation Control in RHIC Dipoles

## Variation in $|B|$ in Iron Yoke



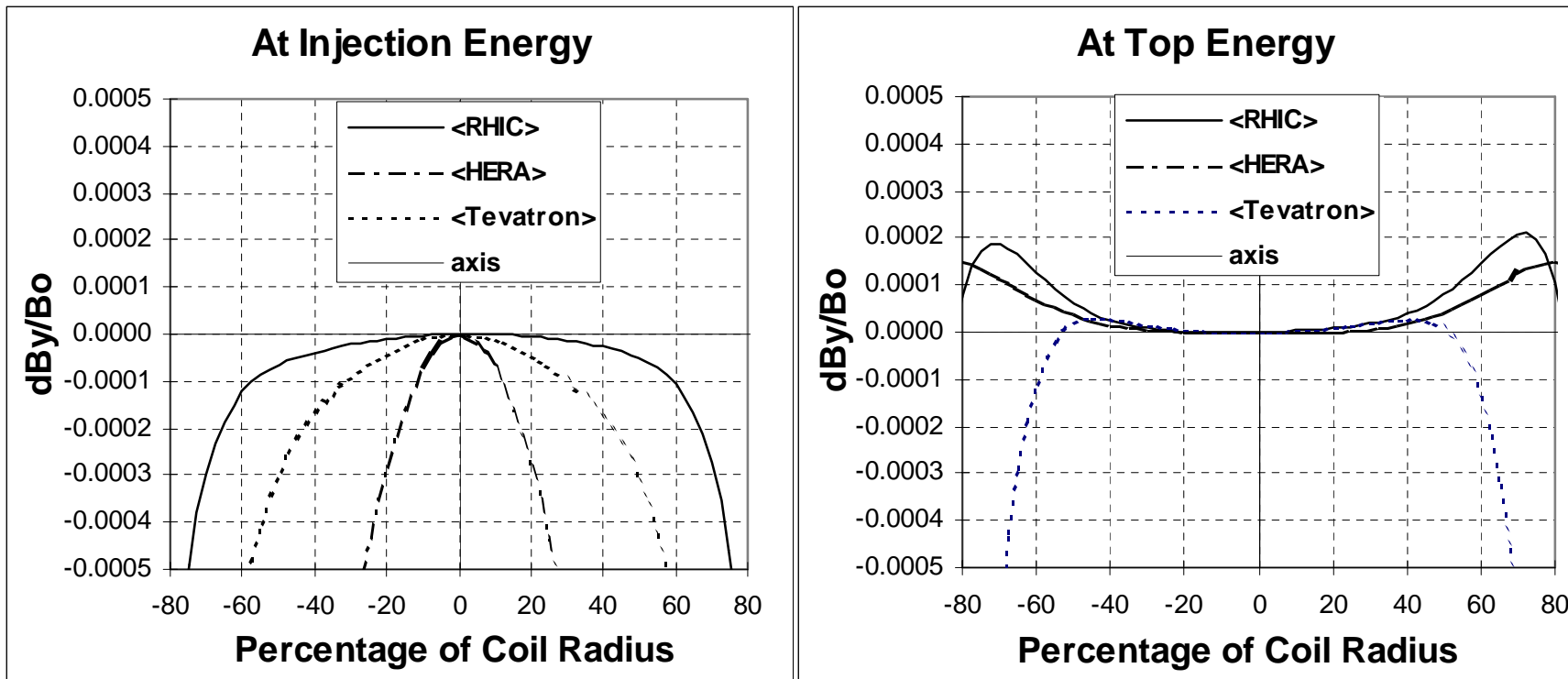
- Compare azimuthal variation in  $|B|$  with and without saturation control holes. Holes, etc. increase saturation in relatively lower field regions; a more uniform iron magnetization reduces the saturation induced harmonics.
- Old approach: reduce saturating iron with elliptical aperture, etc.
- New approach: increase saturating iron with holes, etc. at appropriate places.





# Average Field Errors on X-axis

**COIL ID : RHIC 80 mm, HERA 75 mm, Tevatron 76.2 mm**



- Warm-Cold correlation have been used in estimating cold harmonics in RHIC dipoles (~20% measured cold and rest warm).
- Harmonics  $b_1$ - $b_{10}$  have been used in computing above curves.
- In Tevatron higher order harmonics dominate, in HERA persistent currents at injection. RHIC dipoles have small errors over entire range.



## What brought these improvements?

(reporting BNL work, as most of it was done there)

### What was not done?

- Specifications for tolerances in parts were not increased.
- Magnet production was not made more complicated.
- Magnets were not made more expensive.



## Recap on Field Quality from the Latest Large Scale Production - The RHIC Dipole Production

- Reduction in random errors despite RX630 spacers (due to symmetry and averaging effects). Also the coil manufacturing and magnet tooling played a major role.
- Small overall systematic (and can be controlled during production).
- Small current dependence in harmonics despite the close-in iron. The current dependence (and hence saturation-induced harmonics) remains small beyond the design field.

- Such a good field quality means that the corrector magnets are NOT likely to be needed in RHIC for correcting field errors in arc dipoles.

The sextupole magnets will be used for persistent current induced  $b_2$  and for other beam dynamics purpose (chromaticity correction); may also be used for removing a relatively small residual  $b_2$ ).

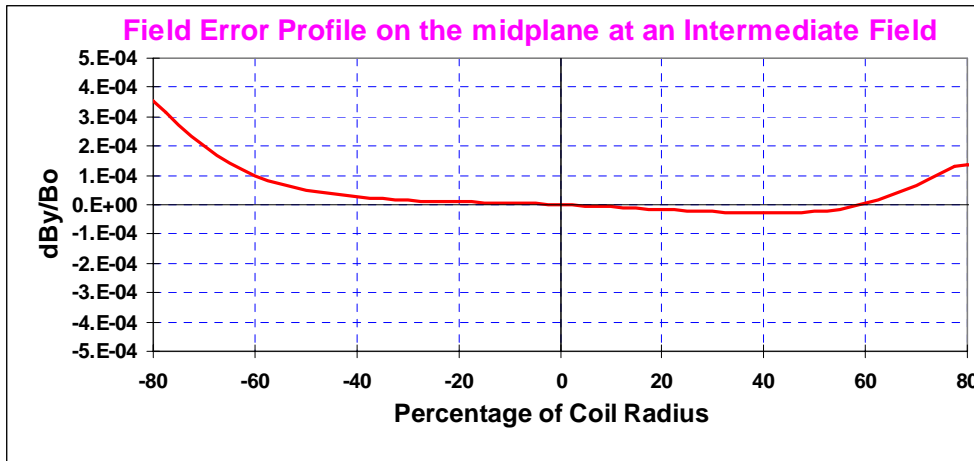


# RHIC 100 mm Aperture Insertion Dipole: The first magnet gets the body harmonics right

## Geometric Field Errors on the X-axis of DRZ101 Body

### First magnet and first attempt in RHIC 100 mm aperture insertion dipole

A number of things were done in the test assembly to get pre-stress & harmonics right



Note: Field errors are within  $10^{-4}$  at 60% of coil radius and  $\sim 4 \cdot 10^{-4}$  at 80% radius.

Later magnets had adjustments for integral field and saturation control.  
The coil cross-section never changed.

Harmonics at 2 kA (mostly geometric).  
Measured in 0.23 m long straight section.

Reference radius = 31 mm

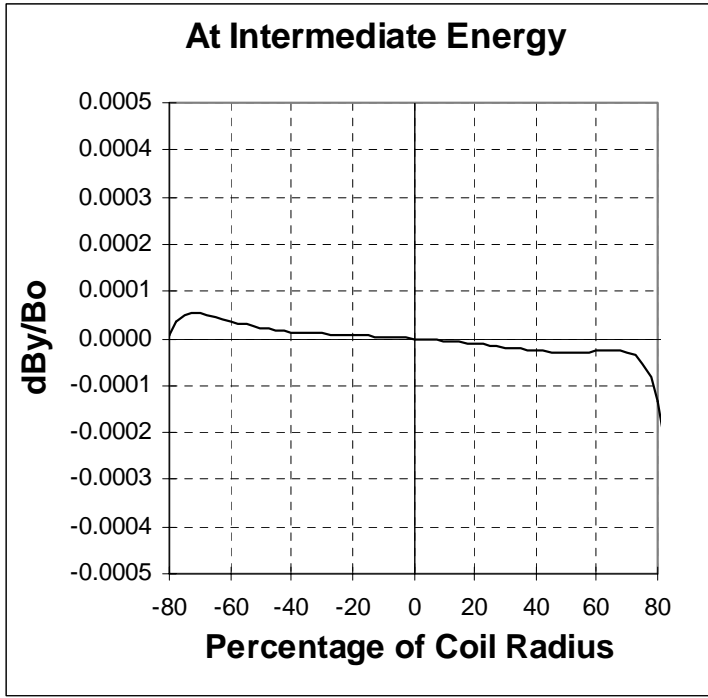
b1	-0.39	a2	-1.06
b2	-0.39	a3	-0.19
b3	-0.07	a4	0.21
b4	0.78	a5	0.05
b5	-0.05	a6	-0.20
b6	0.13	a7	0.02
b7	-0.03	a8	-0.16
b8	0.14	a9	-0.01
b9	0.02	a10	0.01
b10	-0.04	a11	-0.06
b11	0.03	a12	-0.01
b12	0.16	a13	0.06
b13	-0.03	a14	0.03
b14	-0.10	a15	0.02

All harmonics are within or close to one sigma of RHIC arc dipoles.



# Average Field errors $\sim 10^{-4}$ up to 80% of the coil radius

**Geometric Field Errors on the X-axis of RHIC DRZ magnets (108-125)**  
 Coil X-section was not changed between 1<sup>st</sup> prototype and final production magnet  
 A Flexible & Experimental Design Approach Allowed Right Pre-stress & Right Harmonics



Estimated Integral Mean in Final Set  
 (Warm-cold correlation used in estimating)  
 Harmonics at 3kA (mostly geometric)  
 Reference radius is 31 mm (Coil 50 mm)

b1	-0.28	a1	-0.03
b2	-0.26	a2	-3.36
b3	-0.07	a3	0.03
b4	0.15	a4	0.48
b5	0.00	a5	0.04
b6	0.32	a6	-0.24
b7	0.00	a7	0.01
b8	-0.08	a8	0.05
b9	0.00	a9	0.00
b10	-0.12	a10	-0.02
b11	0.03	a11	-0.01
b12	0.16	a12	0.06
b13	-0.03	a13	0.03
b14	-0.10	a14	0.02

*\*Raw Data Provided by Animesh Jain at BNL*

**\*Field errors are  $10^{-4}$  to 80% of the aperture at midplane.\***  
 (Extrapolation used in going from 34 mm to 40 mm; reliability decreases)



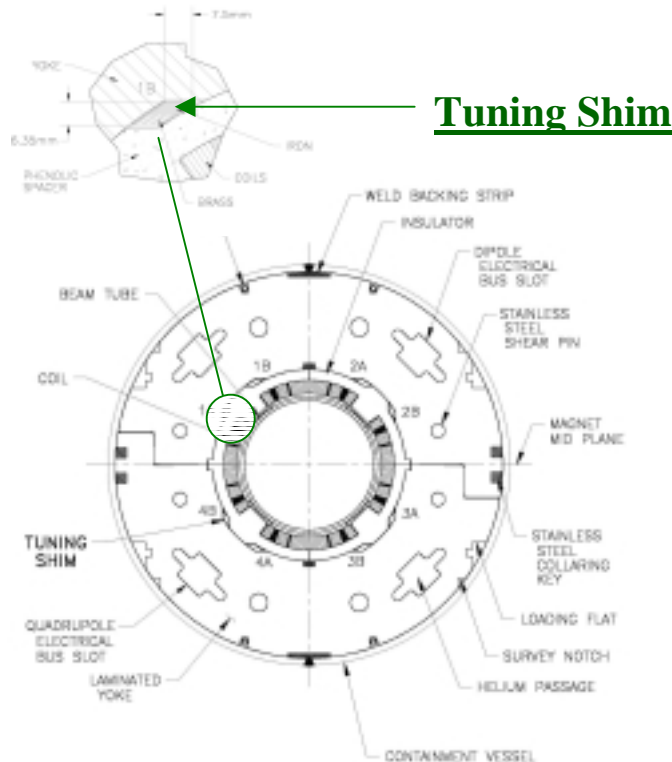
# Tuning Shims for $10^{-5}$ Field Quality at 2/3 of coil radius

**GOAL :** Make field errors in magnets much smaller than that is possible from the normal tolerances.

## Basic Principle of Tuning Shims:

Magnetized iron shims modify the magnet harmonics.

Eight measured harmonics are corrected by adjusting the amount of iron in eight Tuning Shims.



- ### Procedure for using tuning shims in a magnet:
1. Measure field harmonics in a magnet.
  2. Determine the composition of magnetic iron (and remaining non-magnetic brass) for each of the eight tuning shim. In general it would be different for each shim and for each magnet.
  3. Install tuning shims. The tuning shims are inserted without opening the magnet (if the magnet is opened and re-assembled again, the field harmonics may get changed by a small but a significant amount).
  4. Measure harmonics after tuning shims for confirmation.



The best in field quality with tuning shims  
 A few parts in  $10^{-5}$  at 2/3 of coil radius

**Field Quality in RHIC Insertion Quadrupoles**  
**Improvements in field errors with tuning shims:**

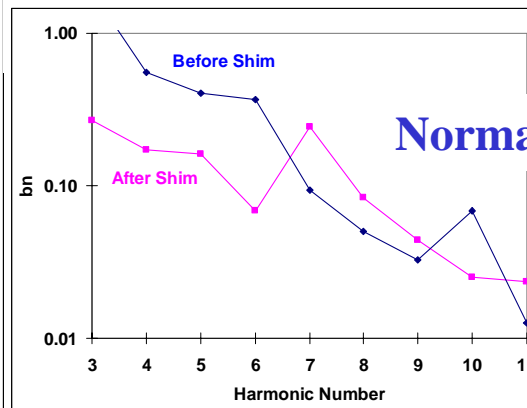
Summary of field quality in QRK magnets  
 (With Shims: only magnets since the sextant test included)  
 Harmonics in units at 40 mm (0.615 x coil radius)

n	$\langle b_n \rangle$ (n=3:Sextupole)			$\sigma(b_n)$		
	No Shims	Shims (W)	Shims (5kA)	No Shims	Shims (W)	Shims (5kA)
	17 Magnets	10 Magnets	8 Magnets	17 Magnets	10 Magnets	8 Magnets
3	0.58	-0.17	0.30	1.87	0.47	0.27
4	-0.11	-1.21 <sup>(a)</sup>	0.02	0.56	0.23	0.17
5	-0.18	0.05	-0.12	0.40	0.13	0.16
6	2.68	0.48 <sup>(b)</sup>	0.59 <sup>(b)</sup>	0.37	0.08	0.07
7	0.01	0.02	-0.01	0.09	0.25	0.24
8	-0.25	-0.11	-0.14	0.05	0.09	0.08
9	-0.02	-0.02	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.04
10	-0.10	-0.32	-0.20	0.07	0.03	0.03
11	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02

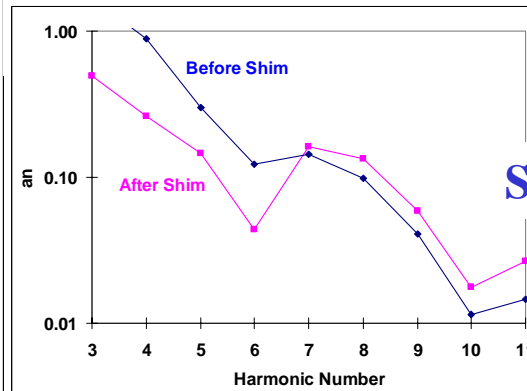
<sup>(a)</sup> Non-zero mean to account for warm-cold difference and saturation.

<sup>(b)</sup> Non-zero mean to account for lead end effects.

n	$\langle a_n \rangle$ (n=3:Sextupole)			$\sigma(a_n)$		
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3	1.24	-0.18	0.09	1.67	0.56	0.50
4	-0.38	0.04	-0.01	0.88	0.27	0.26
5	-0.02	0.00	0.06	0.30	0.14	0.15
6	-0.21	-0.07	-0.13	0.12	0.05	0.04
7	-0.01	0.05	-0.02	0.14	0.27	0.16
8	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.10	0.12	0.13
9	0.01	0.01	-0.02	0.04	0.04	0.06
10	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.01	0.02	0.02
11	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.03



Normal harmonics



Skew harmonics

**<< Plots for RMS errors.**  
**The Mean error in harmonics is generally lower.**  
**Note: Both Mean and RMS errors are a few parts in  $10^{-4}$ .**

Harmonic measurements provided by Animesh Jain, BNL

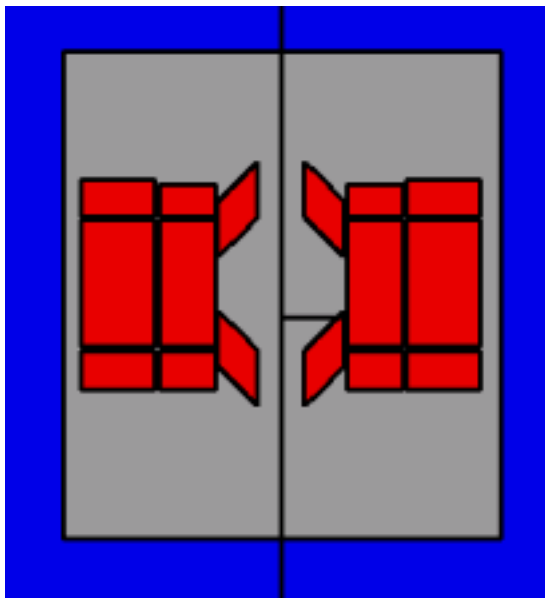


# Preliminary Calculations in a Common Coil Design Magnet

Post "Port Jefferson Workshop" Update: One wedge and adjustments in block positions generates a cross-section where all geometric harmonics are less than 2 parts in  $10^5$  at 10 mm reference radius.

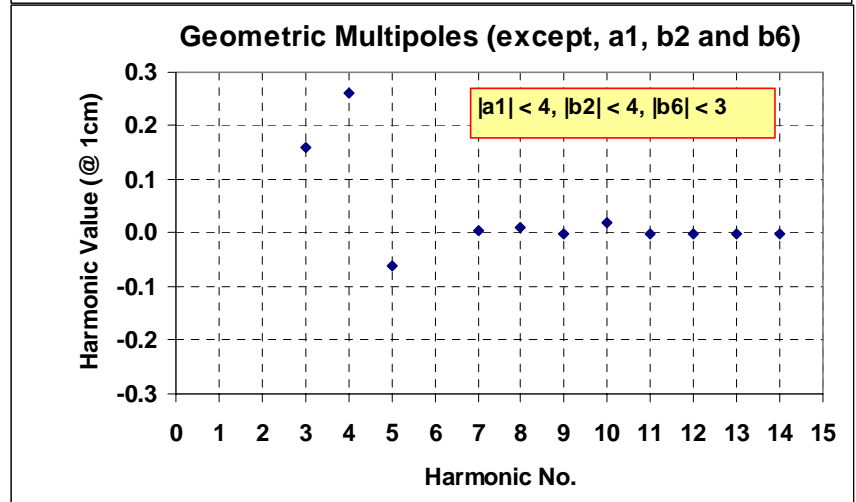
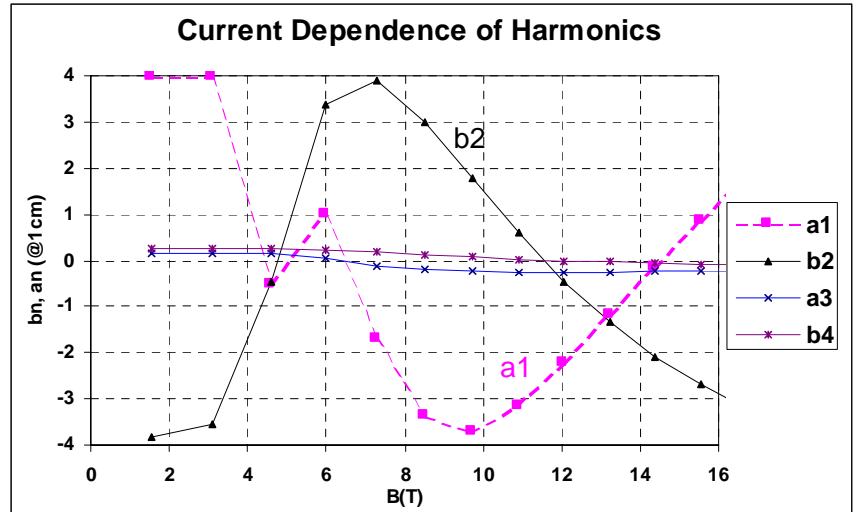
Saturation needs to be reduced in skew quad and normal sextupole (current high field value  $\sim 20$ ).

How important are the high field harmonics? They might have an influence on the size of the magnet.



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Results (old) presented at Port Jeffersons in Nov. 98.







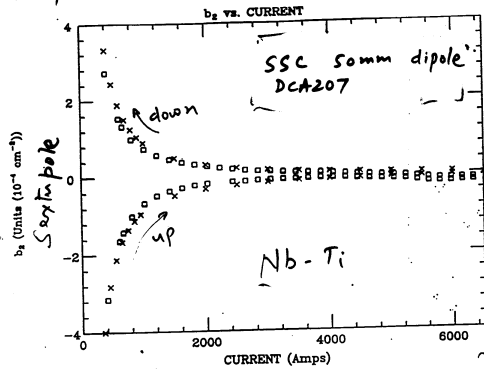
# Persistent Current-induced Harmonics (may be a problem in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnets, if done nothing)

Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, with the technology under use now, is expected to generate persistent current-induced harmonics which are a factor of 10-100 worse than those measured in Nb-Ti magnets (due to about a factor of two higher critical current density and about a factor of 10 higher effective filament diameter). In addition, a snap-back problem is observed when the acceleration starts after injection at study state (constant field).

Garber, Ghosh and Sampson (BNL)

Measured of sextupole harmonic in Nb-Ti magnet

Persistent current induced harmonic depends on the property of Superconductor (They become small at high fields)



Measured of sextupole harmonic in Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn magnet

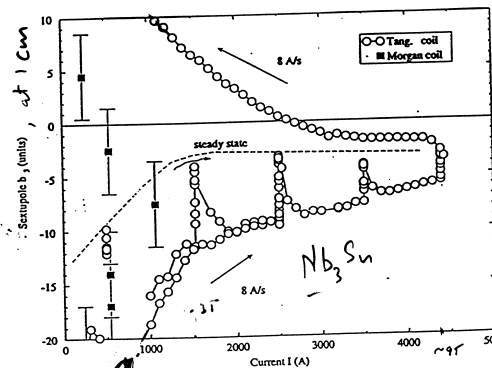


Fig. 6. Measured sextupole at low field (direction of arrow indicates up or down current).

Persistent current induced magnetization :

$$2\mu_0 M = 2\mu_0 \frac{2}{3\pi} v J_c d \quad (1)$$

$J_c$ , CRITICAL CURRENT DENSITY  
 $d$ , FILAMENT DIAMETER  
 $v$ , VOL. FRACTION OF NbTi  
 $M_s = M/v \quad (2)$

Measured magnetization

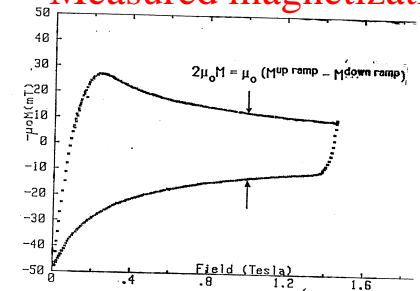


Fig. of a typical magnetization loop.

LBL  
D20 50mm  
Dipole  
World Record  
holder: 13.5  
(1970)



# Summary and Conclusions

- \* This talk presented a sample of a few techniques (in reality a lot more was done), which have brought a significant (both in a qualitative and in a quantitative way) advances in the field quality in accelerator magnets.
- \* A design and analysis approach (which quite often ran against the conventional wisdom) worked well because of a systematic and experimental program.
- \* From a general guideline on field quality for VLHC (in reality, it is yet to be developed and should be done in close collaboration between accelerator physicists and magnet scientists, the RHC model). However, it appears that all magnet designs should be useable in VLHC from field quality considerations.
- \* However, one should not take it for granted; a consistently good field quality in RHC magnets was a result of several things. Moreover, it can be further improved with more innovative ideas. Given the time available for the next machine this is the time to explore the ways for reducing magnet costs while maintaining a field quality that is acceptable for VLHC . Conversely (and perhaps together), one should also examine if magnet costs can be reduced significantly by relaxing parts and manufacturing tolerances.