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Study Goals

• Purpose:

To determine if the baseline TF flex joint and bundle stub design are adequate to meet the requirements of the NSTX Structural Design Criteria, specifically, the fatigue requirements of Section I-4.2 for 3000 full power and 30,000 two-thirds full power pulses without failure.

- Laminations
 - Stresses
 - Buckling
- Joints
 - Thread shear stress
 - Contact pressure



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NSTX Upper Umbrella Assembly Upgrade Design





Single Segment 3-Strap Assembly with Supports: Version 3.0





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Laminated Strap Assembly with Applied Fields and Current Version 3.0





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Calculated Worst-Case EMAG Loads

(Assuming uniform current distribution)

Out-of-Plane Load (z-direction)

$$F_{op} = 2*I*B_{pol}*R$$

 $F_{op} = 2 \times 130,000 \text{ A}/ 38 \times .3 \text{ T} \times 5.688/39.37 \text{ m}$
 $F_{op} = 296.4 \text{ N} = 66.6 \text{ lbf}$ [Outer lamination]



In-Plane Load (y-direction)

$$F_{ip}/L = I^*B_{tor}$$

 $F_{ip}/L = 130,000 \text{ A}/38 \text{ x} 1 \text{ T}$ [Outer lamination] If
 $F_{ip}/L = 3,421 \text{ N}/\text{ m} \text{ x}$.2248 lbf/ N x 1 m/ 39.37 in
 $F_{ip}/L = 19.53 \text{ lbf/ in}$
 $press_{ip} = (F_{ip}/L)/w$
 $press_{ip} = 19.53 \text{ lbf/in}/2$ in
 $press_{ip} = 9.77 \text{ lbf/ in}^2$ (applied to inside cylindrical face)





Single Lamination FEA Model: Mesh and Boundary Conditions (Outer-most lamination)





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Single Lamination Linear Results: von Mises Stress

(Loads: Combined Thermal Displacements, Emag Press. (In Plane) and Forces (OOP))





Single Lamination Nonlinear Results: von Mises Stress

(Loads: Combined Thermal Displacements, Emag Press. (In Plane) and Forces (OOP))





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3 Lamination FEA Model: Mesh and Boundary Conditions (Outer-most laminations)





3 Lamination Nonlinear Results: von Mises Stress

(Loads: Combined Thermal Displacements, Emag Press. (In Plane) and Forces (OOP))





3 Lamination Nonlinear Results: Contact Status

(Loads: Combined Thermal Displacements, Emag Press. (In Plane) and Forces (OOP))





Optimized Laminations Linear Results: von Mises Stress

(Non-uniform current distribution; combined loads including torsional displacement)





C11000 Copper Stress-Strain Curves versus % Cold Work





C110000 Copper Fatigue S-N Curves versus % Cold Work





Copper Alloy Material Properties (Outokumpu Poricopper Oy)

(Outokumpu Poricopper Oy)							
Name	CDA	Acronym	Thermal Conductivity at 20 C [W/(m*K)]	Electrical Resistivity at 20 C [µOhm*cm]	Yield Strength Cold Worked 84% 24 C [MPa]	Yield Strength Annealed 24 C [MPa]	Fatigue Strength Cold Worked Number of Cycles[300x10 ⁶]
Oxygen-free Copper	C10200	Cu-OF	394	1.7241-1.70	341	54.5	117
Silver-Bearing Oxygen-free Copper	C10400	Cu-OFS	394	1.74-1.71	373		103
Electrolytic Tough-Pitch Copper	C11000	Cu-ETP	394	1.7241-1.70	345	49.6	117
Copper-Chromium	C18200	Cu-Cr1	301-343	2.3-2.0	520		193
Cadmium Copper	C16200		360	1.92	474	83	205
Cupro-Nickel		Cu Ni25	33.5	34	530	140	269
Aluminum Bronze		Cu Al5	75.4-83.7	10	441	186	131
Zirconium Copper	C15000	Cu-Zr	367	1.86	414	80	241

Effect of temperature on the softening of copper alloys



ANSYS and MathCAD Lamination Stress Analysis: Conclusions and Recommendations

- Good agreement between MathCAD and ANSYS results.
 - MathCAD model, corrected for non-uniform current distribution, was used to optimize lamination design.
- $\sim 3/4$ overall in-plane bending stiffness due to Inner Strap Assy.
- OOP torsional stress dominates in Outer Strap Assy.
- Thermal displacement bending dominates in Inner Strap Assy.
- Deflection force inversely proportional to radius.
- Maximum lamination stress of 38 kpsi exceeds the NSTX Structural Design Criteria fatigue limit requirement of 2x stress level or 20x number of cycles for 3000 full-power cycles and 30,000 half power cycles using C10700 copper.
- Proposed Design:
 - Outer Flex Strap Assembly: 12X .090" thick, 2.0" wide laminations
 - Inner Flex Strap Assembly: 19X .060" thick, 2.0" wide laminations
 - Mat'l: Fully-hardened C15000 Cu-Zr or better.



Single Lamination Pre-Stressed Linear Buckling Results

Load multiplier factor LMF applies to all Emag loads and thermal displacements





Single Lamination Nonlinear Buckling: Y-Deformation at Onset (1) Load multiplier factor LMF applies only to Out-of-Plane Emag load





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3 Lamination Results: Linear Buckling Mode Multiplier Load Multiplier factor LMF applies to all Emag loads and thermal displacements





Buckling Analysis Conclusions

- Buckling due mostly to out-of-plane load. In-plane load (pressure outward) reduces buckling; thermal displacements slightly increase buckling.
- Good agreement between linear and nonlinear buckling results with load multiplier factor applied to both Emag loads and to thermal displacements.
- Load multiplier factor over 14 for nonlinear analysis with constant inplane load and increasing out-of-plane load (conservative) exceeds nonlinear buckling factor of 2 specified in NSTX Structural Design Critieria.



Previous Joint Design: Development Tests



Coefficient of Friction Test



Contact Resistivity vs Pressure Test



Previous Joint Design: Tap-Lok Threaded Insert Design

- Tap-Lok 3/8-16 medium-length insert used.
 - OD = .562", length = .562"
- Loading:
 - The stud preload of 5,000 lbf results in an average shear stress of 10,069 psi in the copper threads based on Tap-Lok effective shear area = .497 in².
 - Thermal + Mechanical loading adds a cyclic load of ~1,800 psi
- Material: C10700 Silver Bearing Copper, Hard Drawn (50% Cold Worked).
 - Per the inspection certification, the Cu tensile strength = 38 kpsi and yield strength = 36 kpsi.
- Values of 34 kpsi used for yield to account for observation of slight degradation in hardness after thermal cycling.



Previous Joint Design: Tap-Lok Cyclic Pull Tests

- Samples heated to 100 C during cycling.
- Six medium-length insert test pieces were cycled from 5,000 to 6,000 lbf for 50,000 cycles or greater.
 - Test levels reflect the 1,000 cycle thermal loading case.
 - Cycled with 1 Hz Sine Wave.
 - No failures during cycling.
- Two samples were cycled at 5,000 to 7,360 lbf to test at the 2x stress at design life condition.
 - No failures during cycling.
- After cycling, static pull tests determined if pull out strength had degraded.
 - No degradation in pull strength after cycling.



Previous Joint Design: Leverage Successful Experience

- Flag Material: C10700 H002, Silver Bearing Copper, Half Hard or better.
 - Keep copper average thread shear stress below 10,069 psi to reduce need for retesting.
- Tap-lok inserts.
 - Use longest insert possible: insert allows load sharing between threads.
- Bolt Material: Inconel 718.
 - Pretension stress much less than .75 yield strength (copper thread shear stress dominates). Bolt should extend full length of insert.
- Use Belleville washers.
 - As Direct Tension Indicating (DTI) washers to monitor bolt pretension, to reduce cyclic stress amplitude, and to maintain bolt tension with thermal cycling and creep.
- Load bolts in tension only.
 - Separate shear load and compression load functions.
 - Rely on friction or separate feature to take shear load.
 - Prevent bending.
- Monitor joint electrical contact resistance.
 - Minimum average contact pressure in previous design = 3850 psi.



Single Segment with Center Strap Only: Version 3.1





Single Segment Center Strap-Only FEA Model: Mesh Version 3.1





Single Segment Center Strap-Only Results: von Mises Stress

(Assumes non-uniform current distribution)





Single Segment Center Strap-Only Results: von Mises Stress (2) Version 3.1





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Single Segment Center Strap-Only Results: Contact Pressure Version 3.1





Strap-to-Stub Joint Sub-model: Solid Model





Strap-to-Stub Joint Sub-model Results: von Mises Stress

Loads from Single Segment Center Strap-Only Results





Strap-to-Stub Joint Sub-model Results: Max. Shear Stress

Loads from Single Segment Center Strap-Only Results





Strap-to-Stub Joint Sub-model Results: Contact Pressure

Loads from Single Segment Center Strap-Only Results





Strap-to-Stub Joint Sub-model Results: Contact Status

Loads from Single Segment Center Strap-Only Results





Figure 10A – Strap-to-TF Coil Outer Leg Joint: Solid Model





Strap-to-Flag Joint Sub-model Results: von Mises Stress

Loads from Single Segment Center Strap-Only Results





Strap-to-Flag Joints Sub-model Results: Contact Pressure

Loads from Single Segment Center Strap-Only Results





TF Coil Outer Leg Joint Sub-model Results: Contact Pressure

Loads from Single Segment Center Strap-Only Model Results





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Strap-to-Flag Joints Sub-model Results: Contact Status

Loads from Single Segment Center Strap-Only Model Results





ANSYS Full Multiphysics Analysis Flow Diagram





Single Segment 3-Strap Assembly: Version 3.2





Single Segment 3-Strap Assembly FEA Model: Mesh Version 3.2





Single Segment 3-Strap Model Results: Total Current Density Version 3.2





Single Segment 3-Strap Model Results: Temperature Profile Version 3.2





Next Steps

- Complete full-multiphysics analysis.
 - Version 3.1Single Segment 3-Strap Assembly design.
- Investigate alternatives to C10700 copper.
 - Candidates are: C15000 Cu-Zr, with twice the high temperature fatigue strength of C10700; and C18150 Cu-Cr-Zr.
 - Perform stir weldability tests of candidate materials.
 - Repeat subset of cyclic pull-out tests of candidate materials.
- Optimize design.
 - Reduce number of joints if possible.



Appendix A – Assembly Strength vs Helicoil Insert Length







Appendix B- Shear Key Copper Threads, Static Results

- Correlation between pull out force and the number of threads pulled explains scatter
- By design shear key bolt will catch 8-9 threads





A-1 12,500lbs peak, 8 Threads A-2 12,620lbs peak, 8.5 Threads A-3 13,120lbs peak, 9 Threads A-4 12,500lbs peak, 8 Threads A-5 10,880lbs peak, 7 Threads A-6 12,380lbs peak, 8 Threads

