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MQE versus I/I_c for cored LHC dipole outer layer cable at 6 T in liquid helium, cable center heaters



High Ra ~600-700 $\mu\Omega$ Medium Ra ~60-70 $\mu\Omega$

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MQE versus I/Ic for cored LHC dipole outer layer cable at 6 T in liquid helium, cable heaters spread across cable width



The figure shows a gradual change in the kink position from I/Ic = 0.68 to I/Ic = 0.82, with in general the highest QE for the center heater (heater 3) and the lowest QE for the thin edge heater (heater 5). Besides there is a factor of 4 difference in quench level at I/Ic = 0.61. It is important to note that the thin (heater 5) and thick edges (heater 1) of the cable have very similar stability behavior.

Heater locations across the cable



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Liquid versus supercritical helium heat transfer



Figure 2 (a) Heat transfer coefficient after beginning of a heat pulse for liquid helium bath, for helium in a closed volume initially at liquid state and for supercritical helium; (b) pressure rise for

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Transient Heat Transfer Experimental Setup



Figure 1 Experimental arrangement for measuring transient heat transfer in a closed small volume⁵



- •Transient Heat transfer to supercritical helium is smaller than to liquid helium, after about 1 ms.
- •CERN should analyze what effect this has on their measurements of MQE versus R_a, for the conditions of their experiment. This may require more measurements of the thermal conductivity to supercritical and liquid helium for different heat production rates Q (W/cm²)