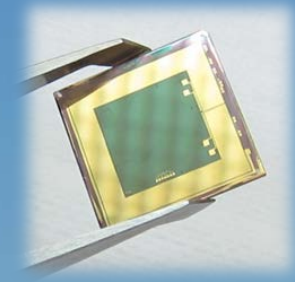


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Recent Progress of HTS SQUID Application in Japan

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50th anniversary of SQUID

Theoretical prediction by B. D. Josephson



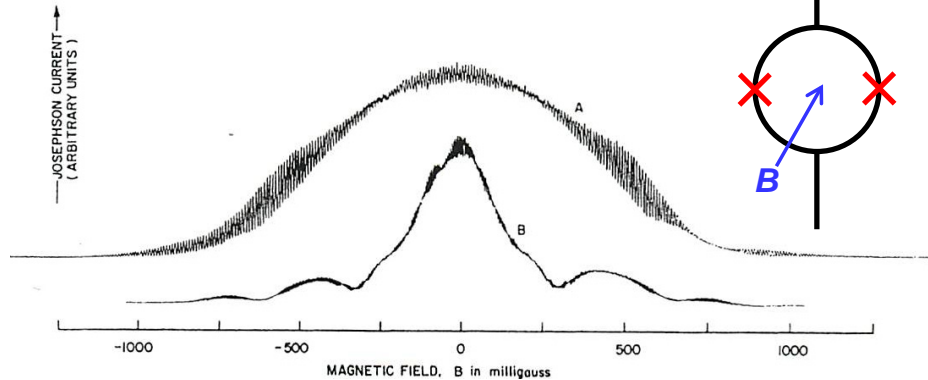
Physics Letters **1**, 251 (1962).

Josephson effect

First observation of quantum interference

R. C. Jaklevic, J. Lamble, A. H. Silver, and
J. E. Mercereau

Phys. Rev. Lett. **12**, 159 (1964).



Experimentally confirmed by
P. W. Anderson and J. M. Rowell

Phys. Rev. Lett. **10**, 230 (1963).

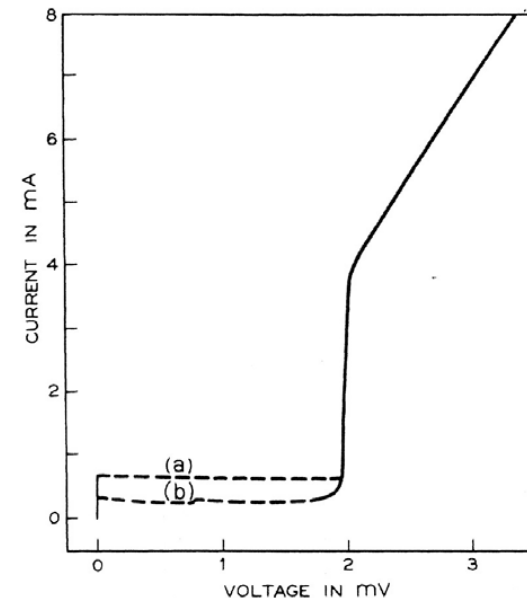


FIG. 1. Current-voltage characteristic for a tin oxide-lead tunnel structure at $\sim 1.5^\circ\text{K}$, (a) for a field of 6×10^{-3} gauss and (b) for a field 0.4 gauss.

Superconducting Quantum Interference Device (SQUID)

Outline

1. Fundamentals of SQUID

- operation principle, representative applications of LTS/HTS-SQUIDs

2. Multilayer HTS-SQUID developed at ISTEK

- structure, features, previous applications

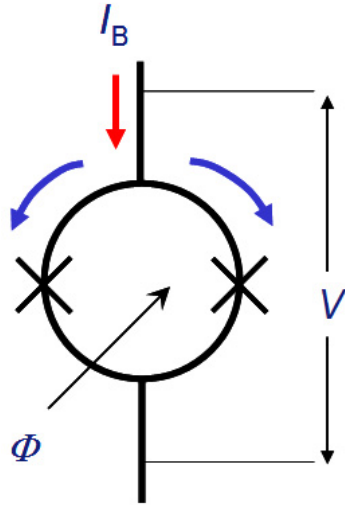
3. Recent progress of application in Japan

- metallic contaminant detection system, SQUID microscope
- bio-sensing system (JST S-innovation project)
- SQUID-TEM, magnetic prospecting, crosshole EM systems (JOGMEC projects, exploration and monitoring of underground resources)
- nondestructive evaluation of infrastructure (JST SIP project)

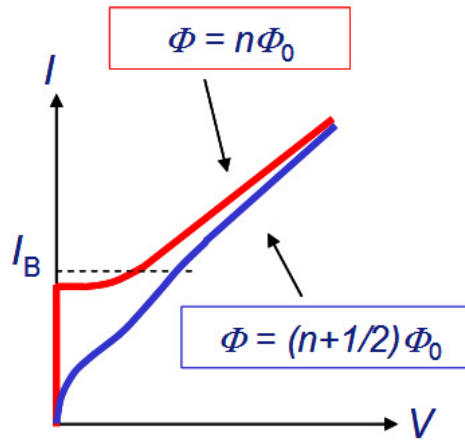
4. Summary and future prospects

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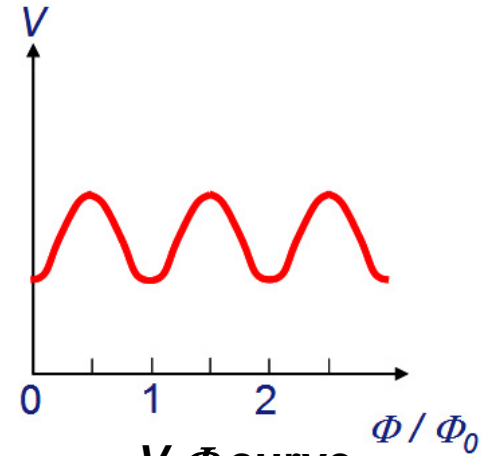
Structure and operation principle



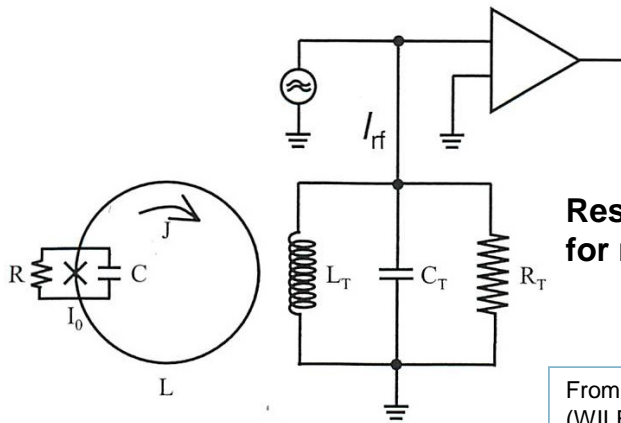
dc-SQUID



I-V curve



V-Φ curve



rf-SQUID

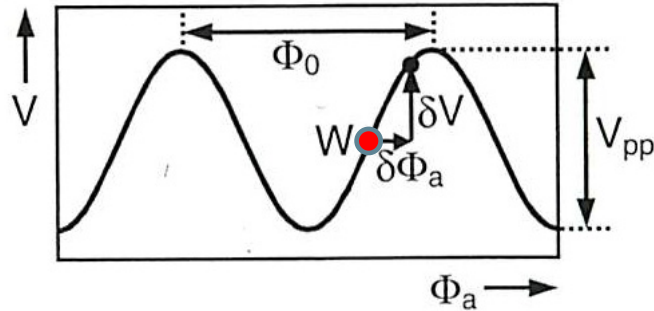
Resonant circuit
for readout

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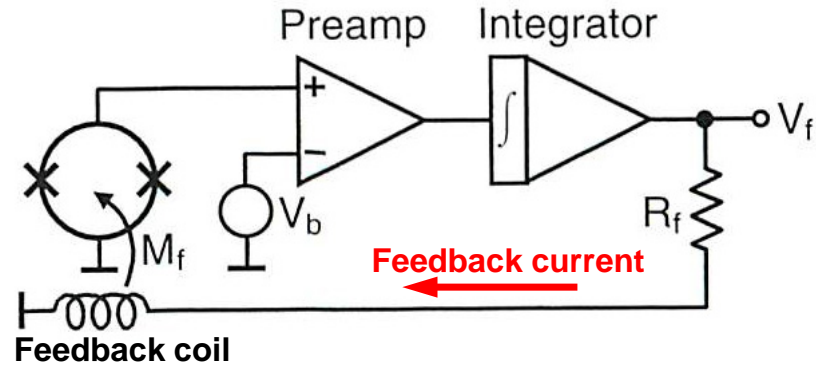
1. Fundamentals of SQUID

SQUID magnetic sensor

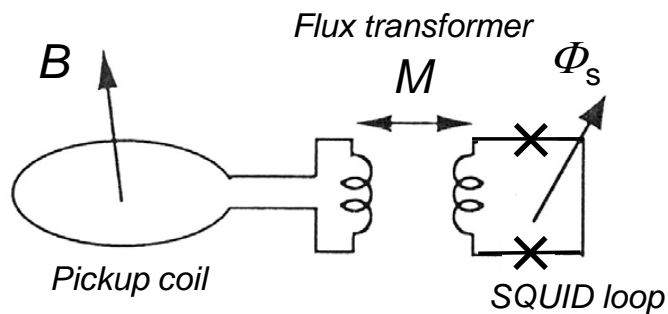
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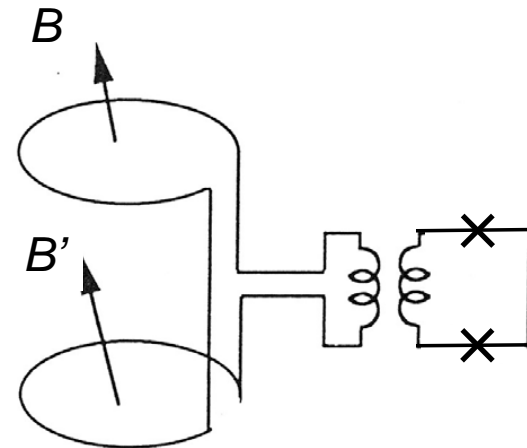
V- Φ curve



Flux-Locked Loop (FLL) circuit



Magnetometer (B_z ,)

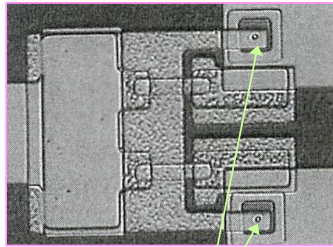


Gradiometer (dB_z/dz ,)

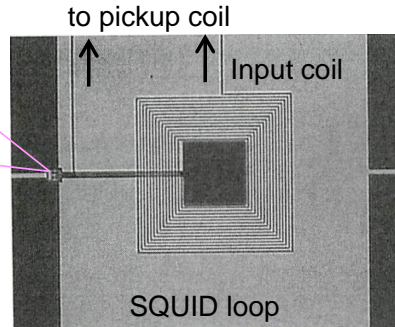
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Nb-based LTS SQUID

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Nb/AIO_x/Nb JJ



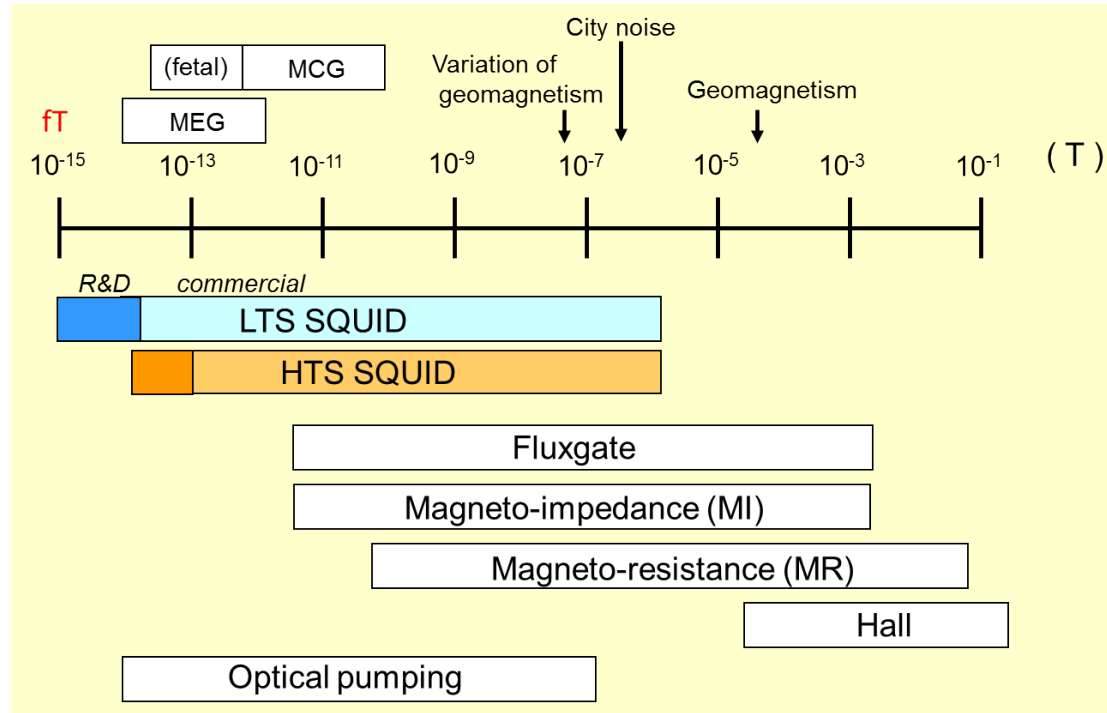
160 ch Magnetoencephalography (MEG) system
Yokogawa Electric Corporation
(<http://yokogawa.co.jp>)



64 ch Magnetocardiography (MCG) system
Hitachi Ltd.



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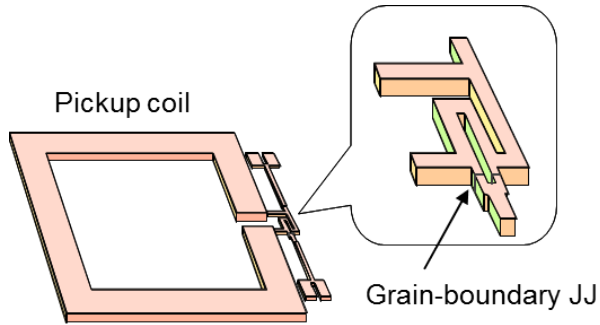


- Higher sensitivity (Lower field noise)
- Wideband (constant sensitivity from dc to high frequency)
- Compact vector sensor
- Stable sensitivity
- Easy cooling with liq. N_2 <HTS SQUID> suitable to field use



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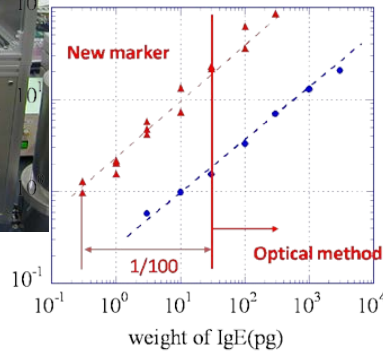
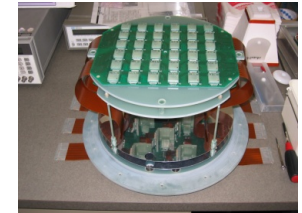
HTS SQUID; previous applications in Japan



Conventional single-layer HTS SQUID



51 ch HTS MCG (Hitachi)



Magnetic immunoassay (Kyushu U, Hitachi)



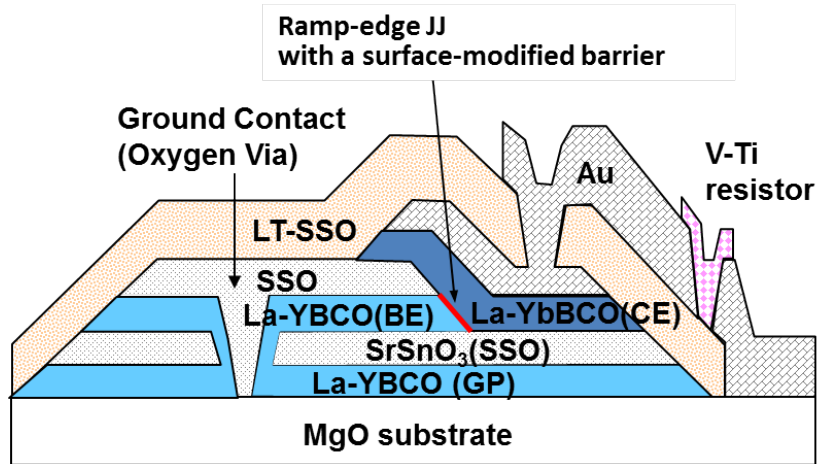
In marketplace!

Magnetic alien detection (TUT, SEI, AFT)

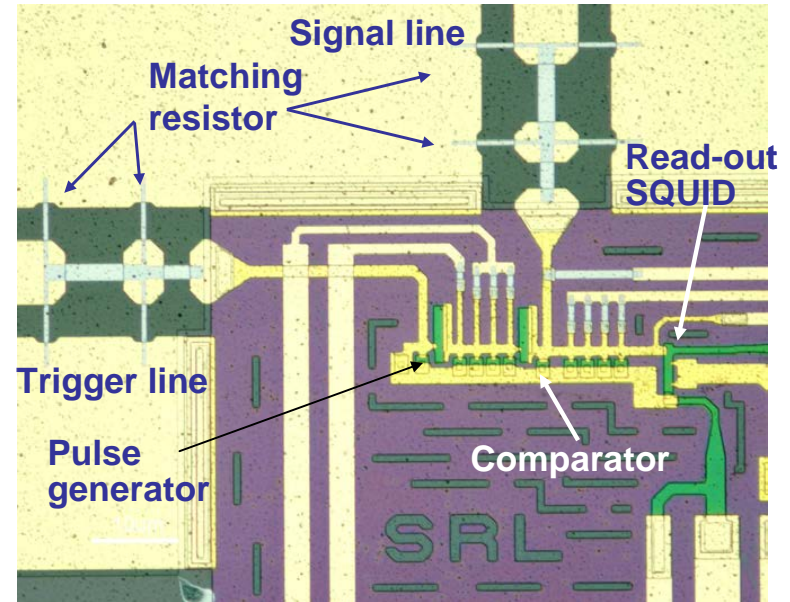
ULSI inspection system (NEC, Hamamatsu) 8

2. Multilayer HTS-SQUID developed at ISTEK

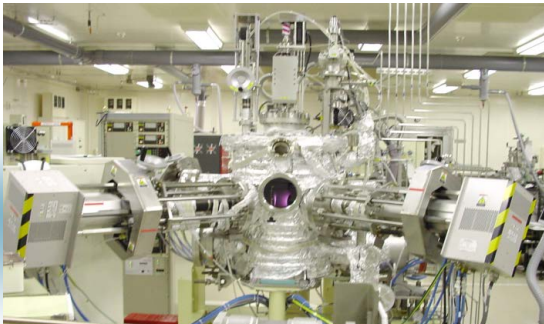
Underlying technology



- 3 RE-123 layers with SrSnO₃ (SSO) insulator
- R_a of sputtered multilayer < 2 nm
- Ramp-edge-type JJs with $1\sigma I_c$ spread 5-10 %
- Minimum junction width of 1.5 μm



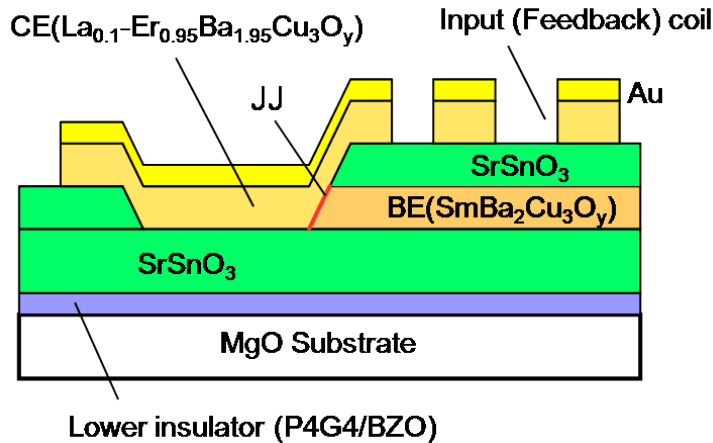
HTS Sampler circuit with a potential bandwidth over 100 GHz (15 JJs integrated)



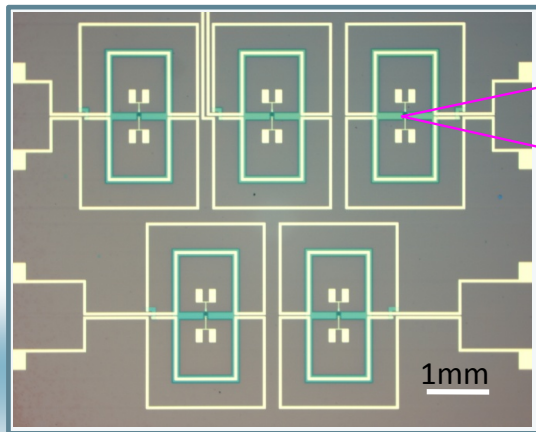
2. Multilayer HTS-SQUID developed at ISTECS Structure and features



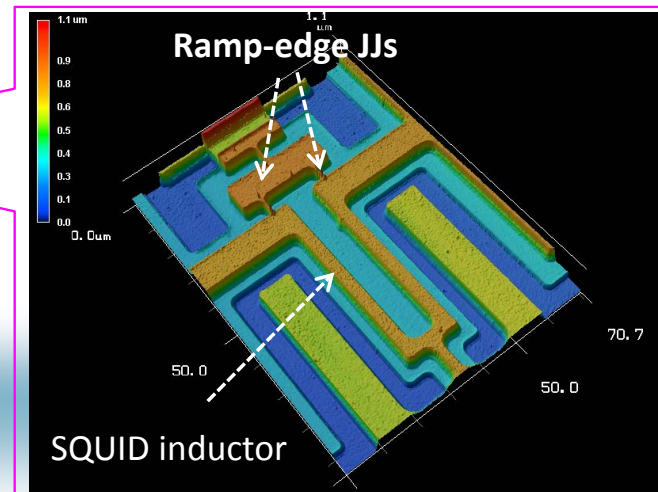
Modified multilayer process for HTS SQUIDs



- SmBCO and La-ErBCO ($T_c > 90$ K) electrodes
- Deposition of thin Cu-deficient layer on ramp surface before upper HTS deposition
→ Stable operation at 77 K
- Lower black-color insulating layer (Ga-PBCO)
→ Higher uniformity of JJ properties on chip

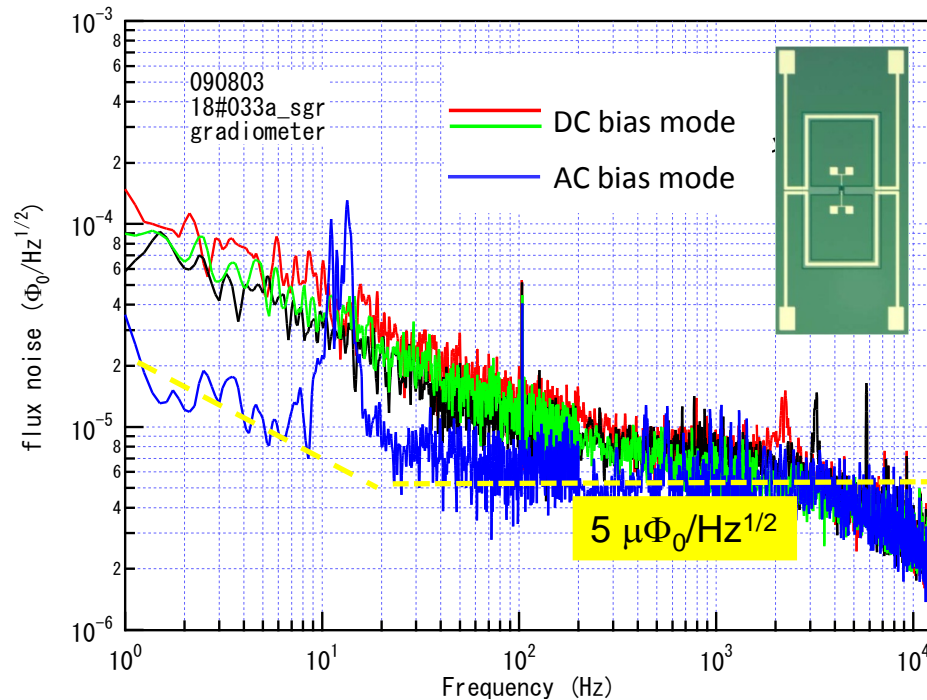


5-ch gradiometer array for NDE of CCs



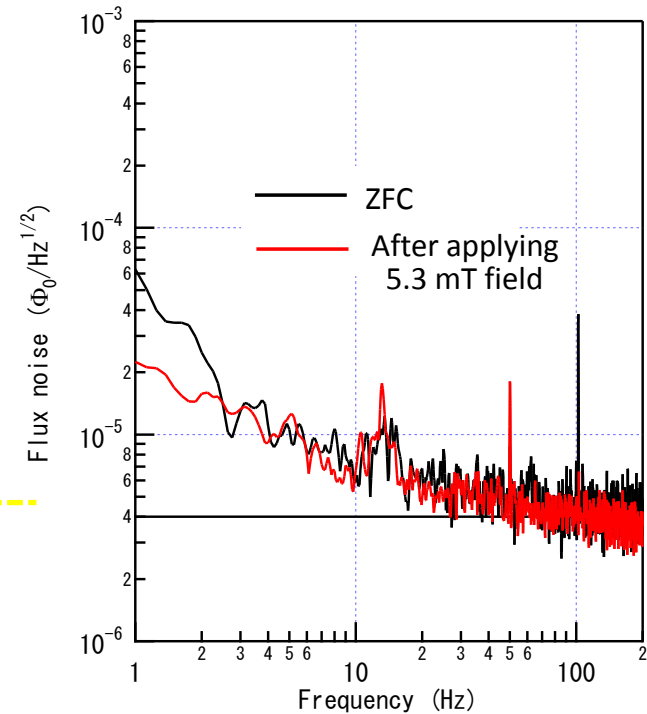
2. Multilayer HTS-SQUID developed at ISTEK Performance

- Lower flux and field noise (higher sensitivity)
- Higher tolerance against application of magnetic field



Flux noise spectra taken with DC and AC bias mode

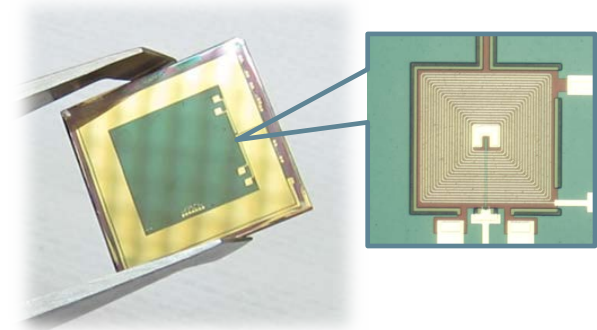
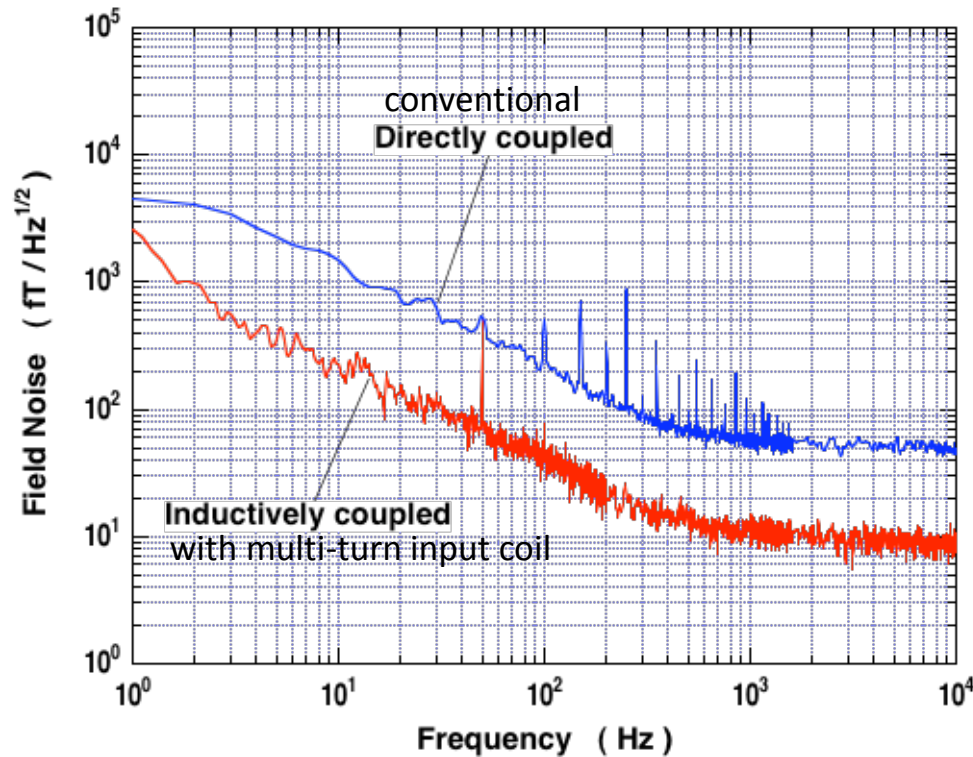
Flux noise (@ 1 kHz, 77 K) = 3 – 10 $\mu\Phi_0/\text{Hz}^{1/2}$



Flux noise spectra before and after applying AC magnetic field

No flux trapping after applying several mT field

2. Multilayer HTS-SQUID developed at ISTEK Performance



50 fT/Hz^{1/2}
10 fT/Hz^{1/2}
↓
X 5 improvement

3. Recent progress of application in Japan

(1) Applications using commercial rf SQUIDs

- Metallic contaminant detection (*Toyohashi University of Technology*)
- STM/SQUID microscope (*Osaka University*)

(2) JST S-innovation project

- Bio-sensing system

(3) JOGMEC projects

- SQUID-TEM system
- Magnetic survey system (gradiometer)
- Crosshole EM logging system

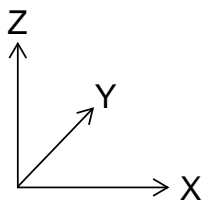
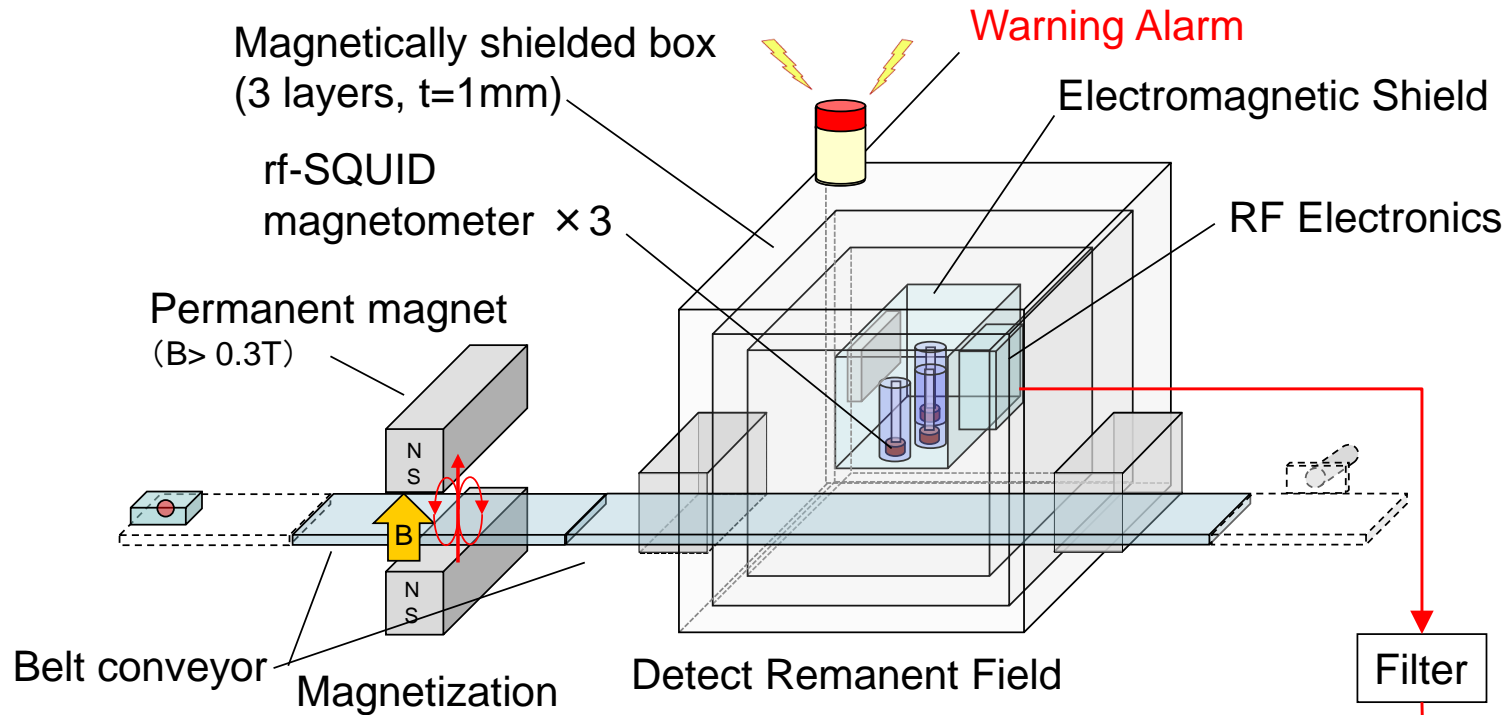
(4) JST SIP project

- Nondestructive evaluation system for infrastructure



ISTEC
dc SQUIDs

Metallic contaminant detection system for food inspection (Prof. S. Tanaka, TUT)

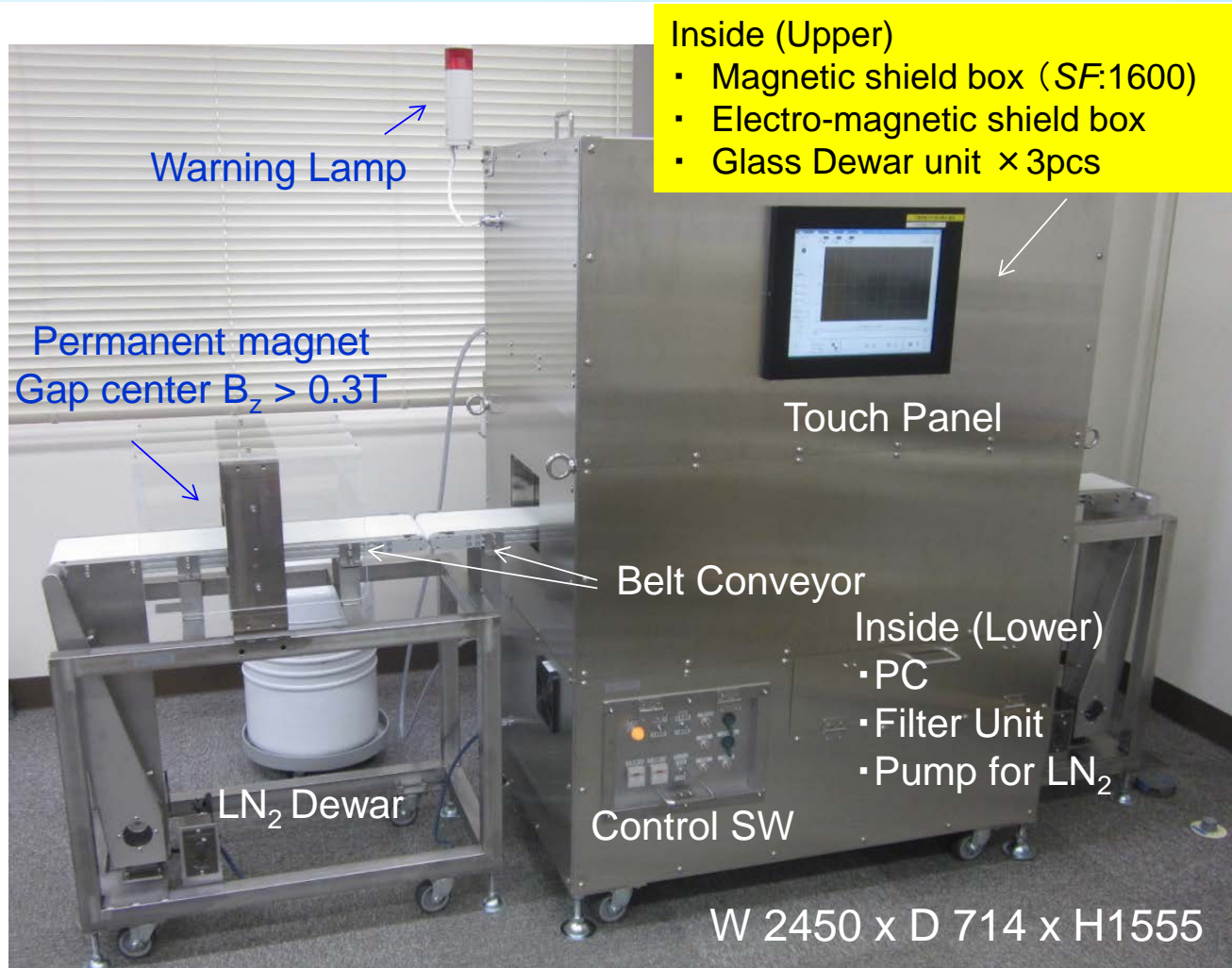


Targets of the development

- Detect metallic ball of less than $\phi 0.5\text{ mm}$ (if possible $\phi 0.3\text{ mm}$).
- Stand-off Distance: $> 100\text{ mm}$ for a thick package
- Automatic controlled.

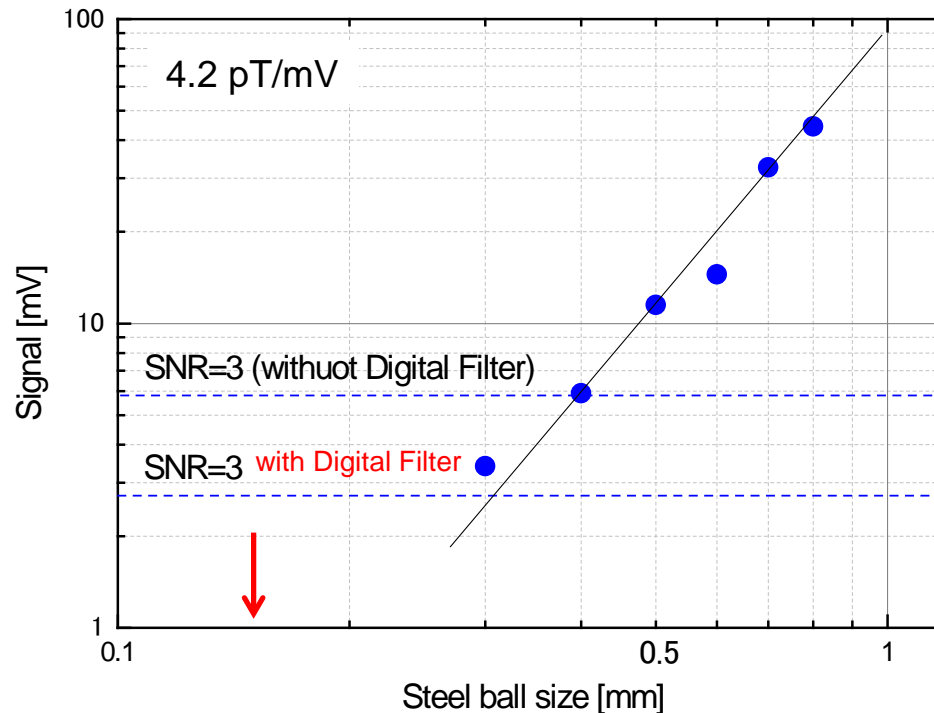
PC / AD Board
Auto-adjustment program
Automatic detection program

Picture of the system





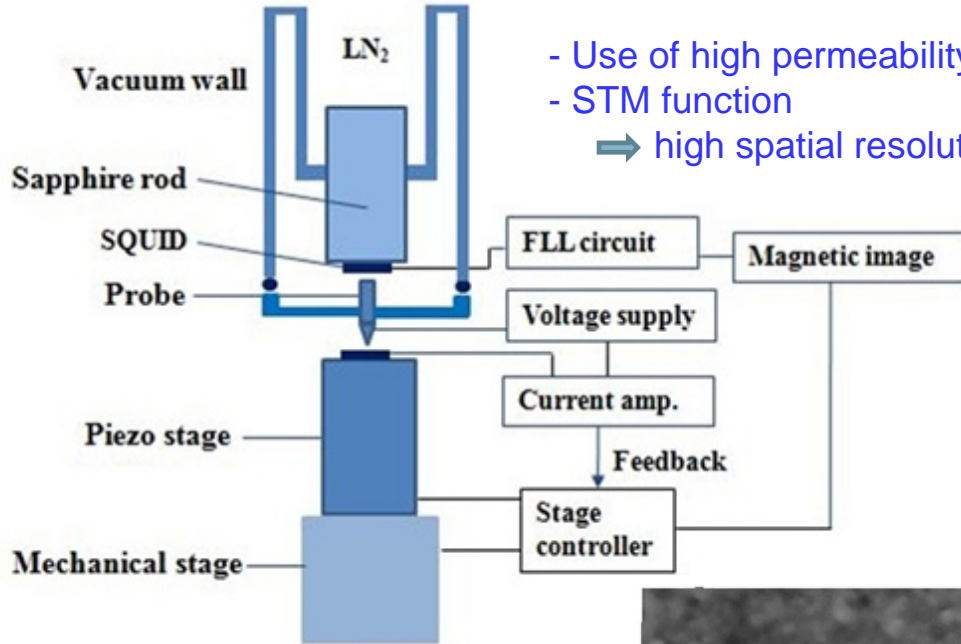
Signal – Steel Ball Size Relationship



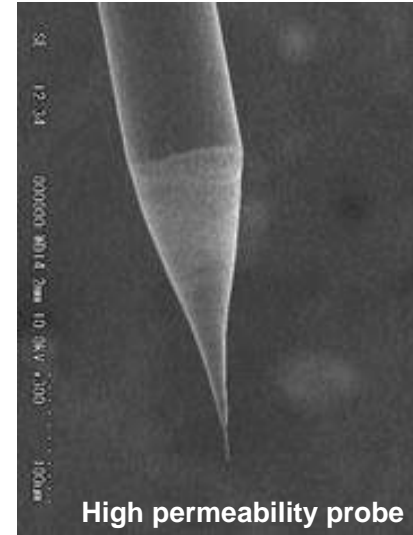
- A steel ball with a diameter as small as $\phi 0.5$ mm with a stand-off distance of 117 mm and a speed of 20 m/min was successfully detected with a SNR15.
- A steel ball with a diameter as small as $\phi 0.3$ mm was successfully detected with an SNR 4.5.

STM-SQUID magnetic microscope

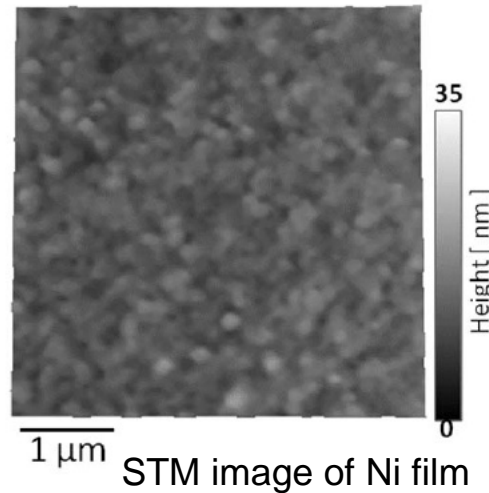
Osaka University (Prof. Itozaki)



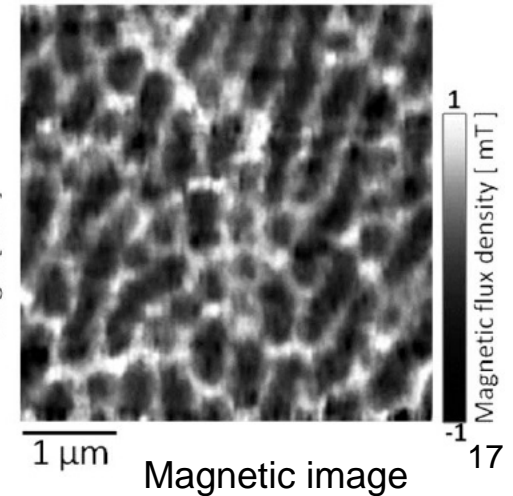
- Use of high permeability probe
 - STM function
- high spatial resolution



http://www.sup.ee.es.osaka-u.ac.jp/squid_4.html



STM image of Ni film



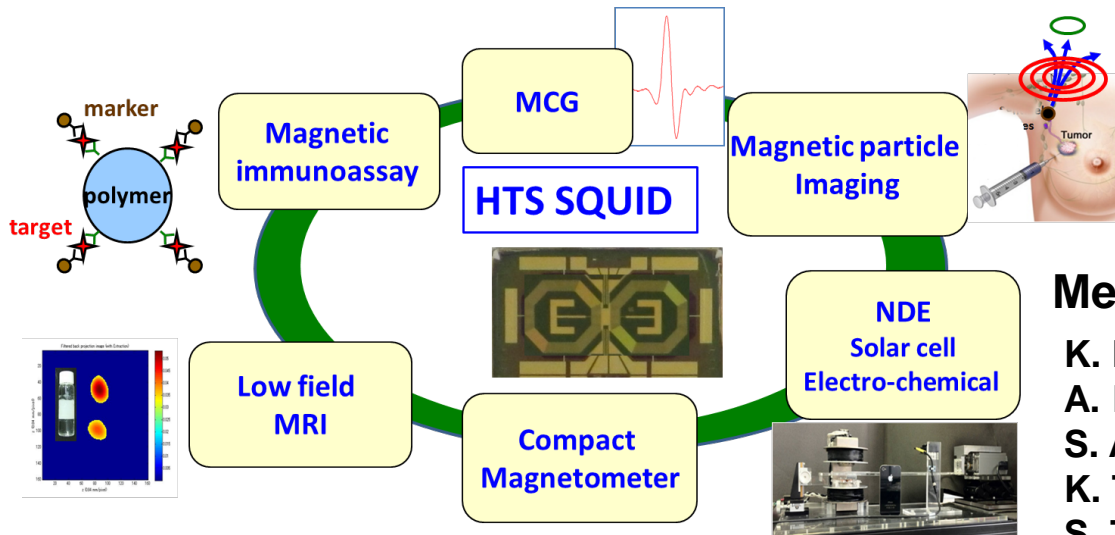
Magnetic image

S-innovation SQUID project

- HTS SQUID systems for biomedical and NDE application -

Research Leader: K. Enpuku (Kyushu Univ.)

Development Leader: A. Kandori (Hitachi, Ltd.)



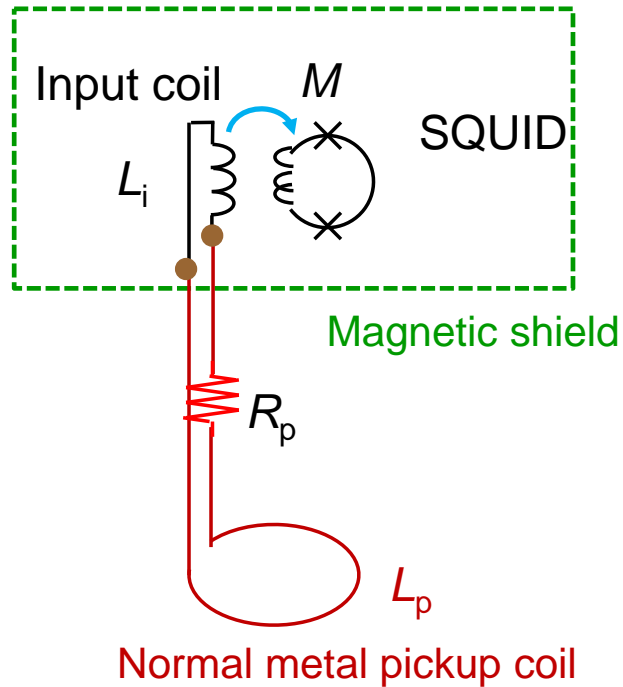
Foundation from JST
 Total Budget: \$8M

Member:

- K. Enpuku (Kyushu Univ.)
- A. Kandori (Hitachi, Ltd.)
- S. Adachi (ISTEC)
- K. Tsukada (Okayama Univ.)
- S. Tanaka (Toyoashi Univ. Tech.)

| FY | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
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| | Elemental Technologies | | | Applications | | | | Products | | |

HTS-SQUID module for use with external pickup coil

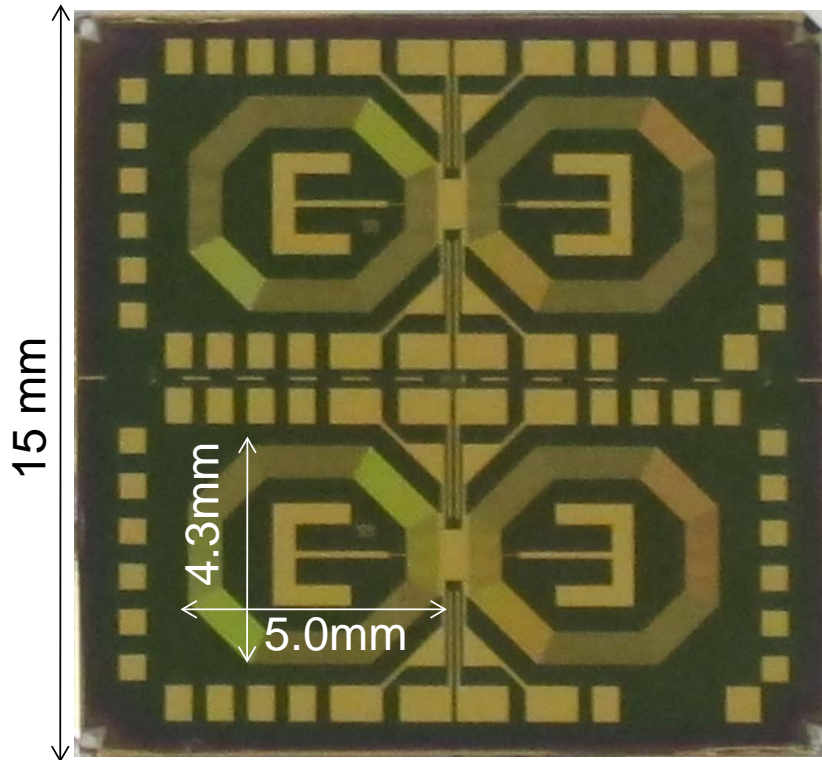


- Flexible system design possible (use of normal metal pickup coil)
- High sensitivity expected at
$$f > f_{\text{cutoff}} = R_p / 2\pi(L_p + L_i)$$
- Higher field tolerance (use of magnetic shield for the module)

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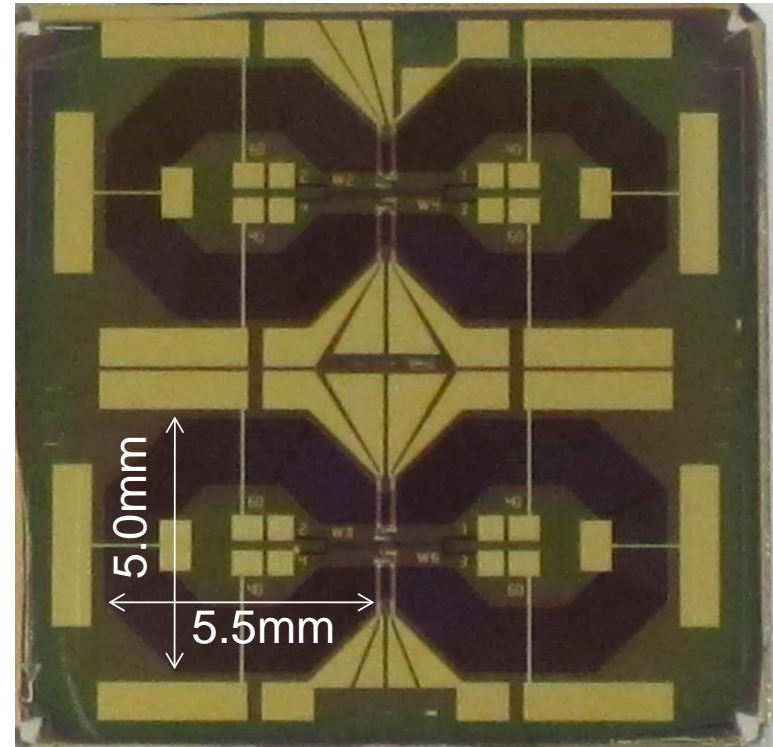


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Input coil chip

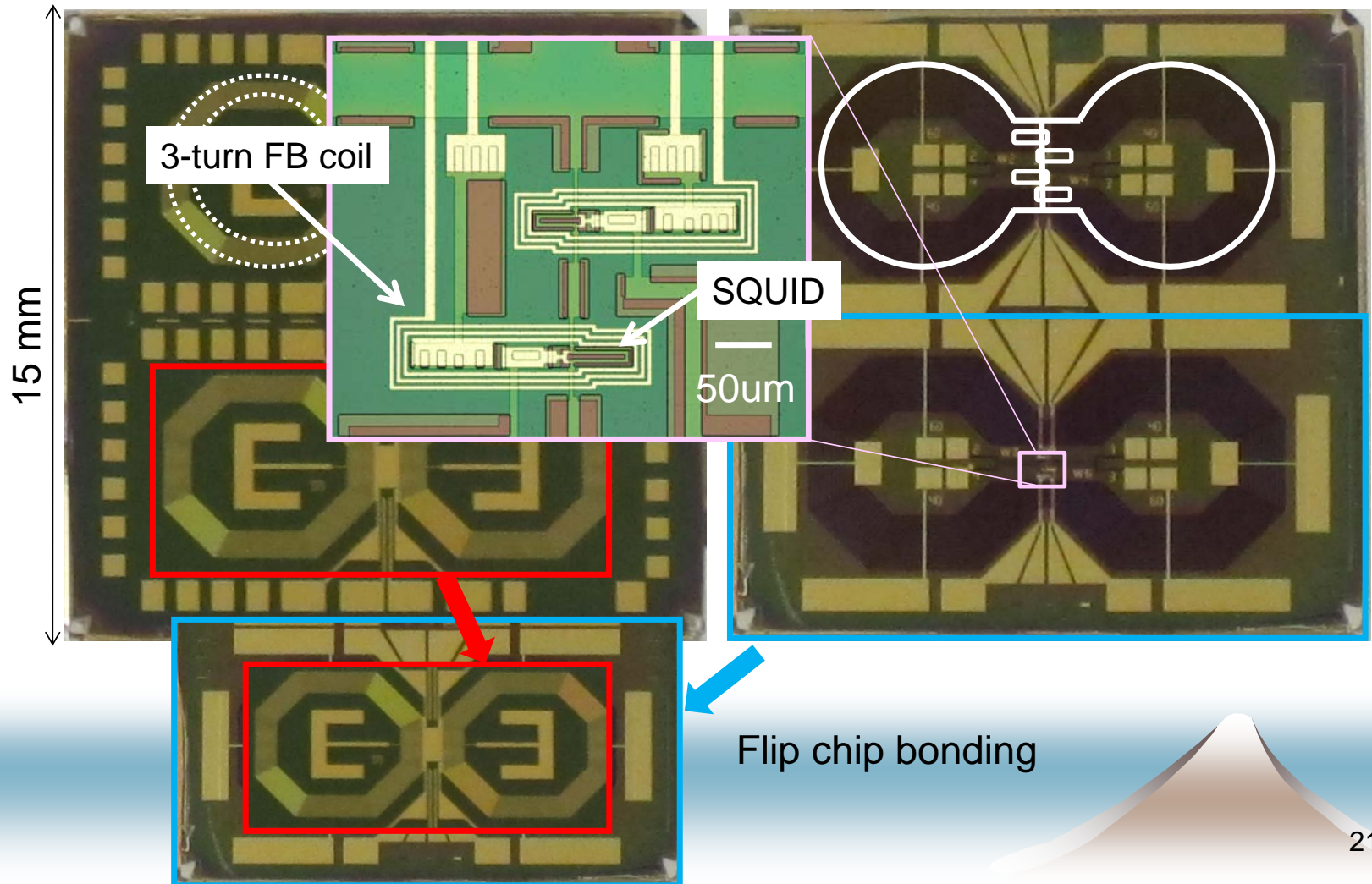
Number of turns(N_i)= 26 or 59 turns



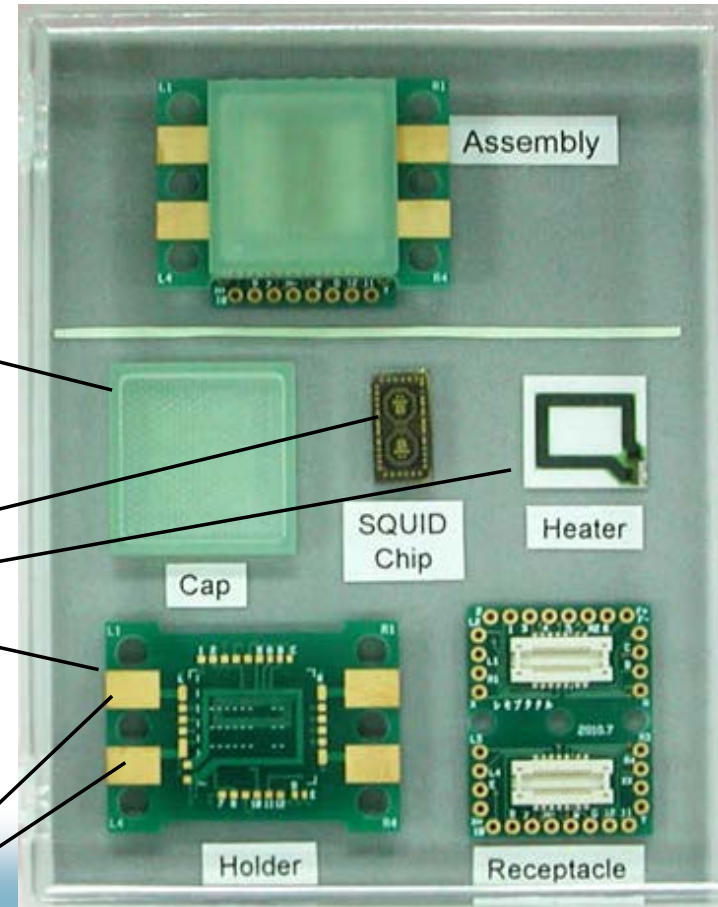
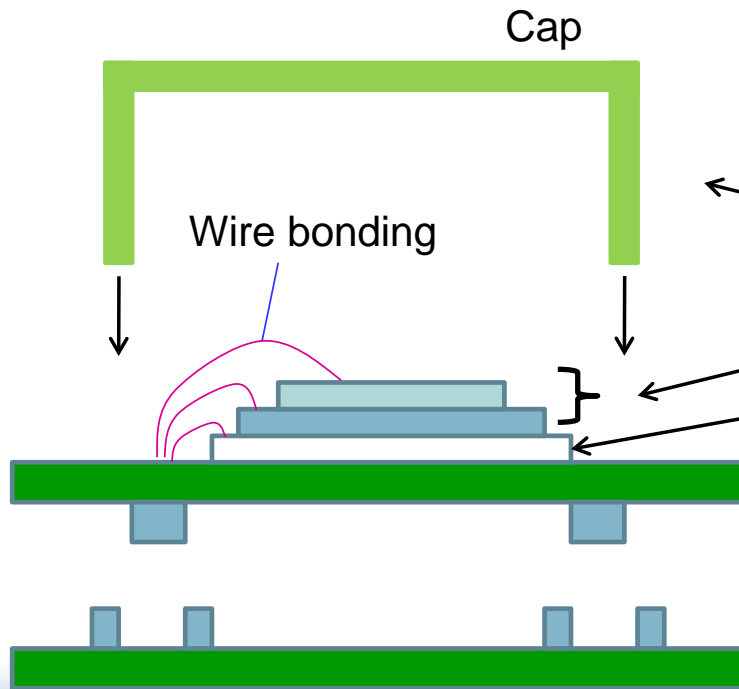
SQUID chip

SQUID inductance(L_{SQ})=40 or 60 pH

HTS-SQUID module for use with external pickup coil



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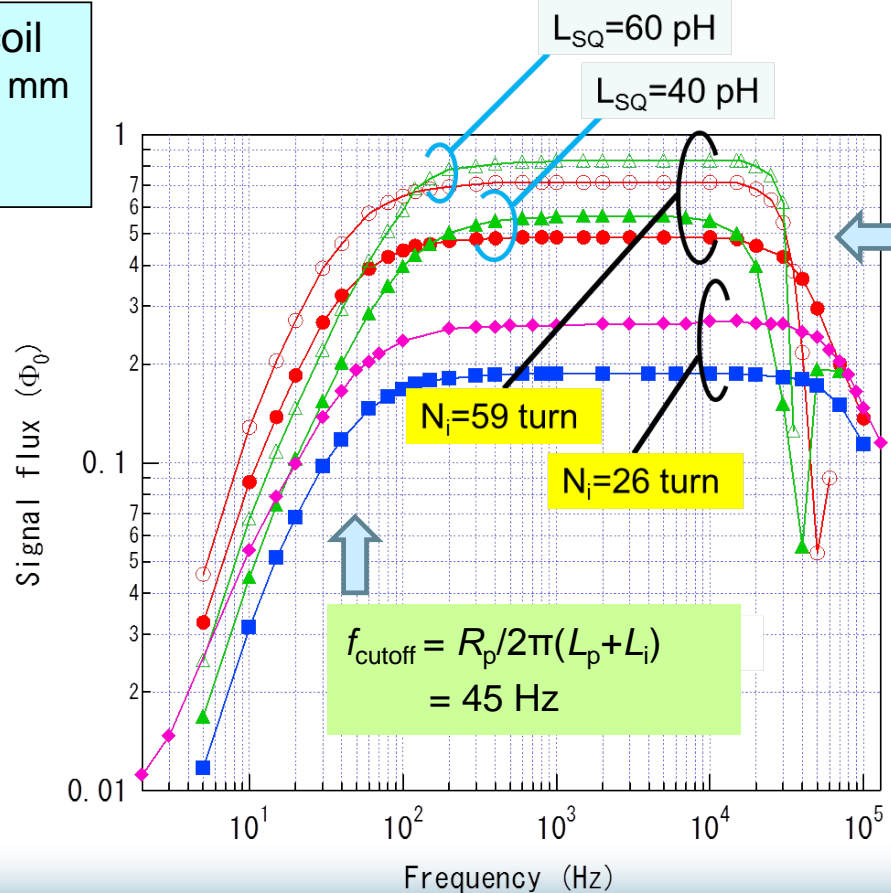


Pads for connection to external pickup coil

HTS-SQUID module for use with external pickup coil



Litz wire pickup coil
 $N_p=150$, $D_{in}=\Phi 40$ mm
 $R_p=0.28 \Omega @77K$
 $L_p=968 \mu H @77K$



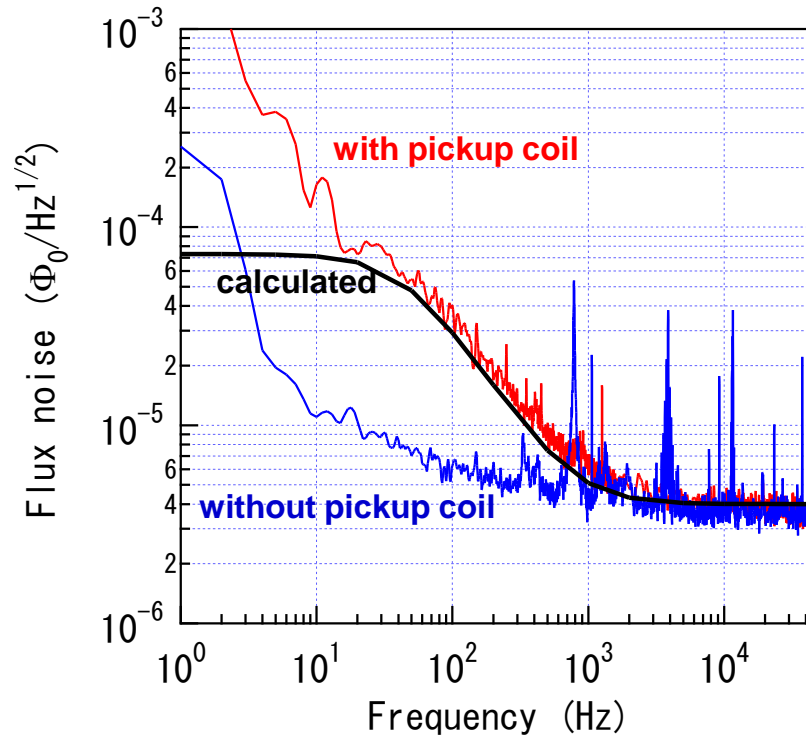
$M_i = 1.38 \text{ nH}$
 $A_{eff} = 0.25 \text{ mm}^2$

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Frequency dependence of observed signal flux for sensor with normal metal pickup coil



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35 fT/Hz^{1/2}

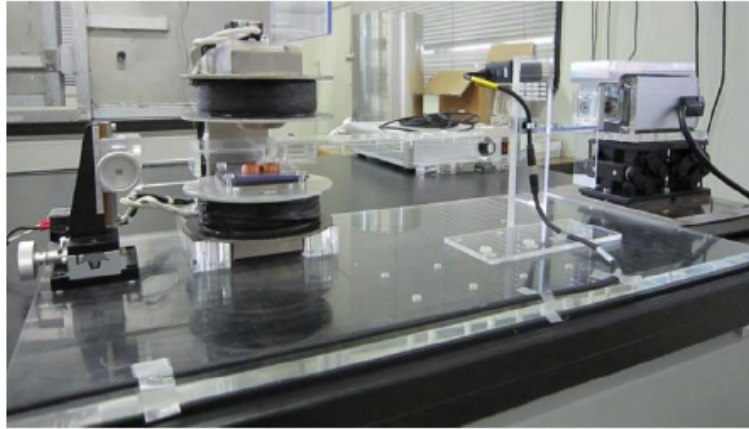
Flux noise spectrum for sensor with normal metal pickup coil

$$\sqrt{S_{\Phi(\text{total})}} = (M_i^2 \cdot (4k_B T R_p) / (R_p^2 + (\omega(L_p + L_i))^2) + S_{\Phi(\text{SQUID})})^{1/2}$$

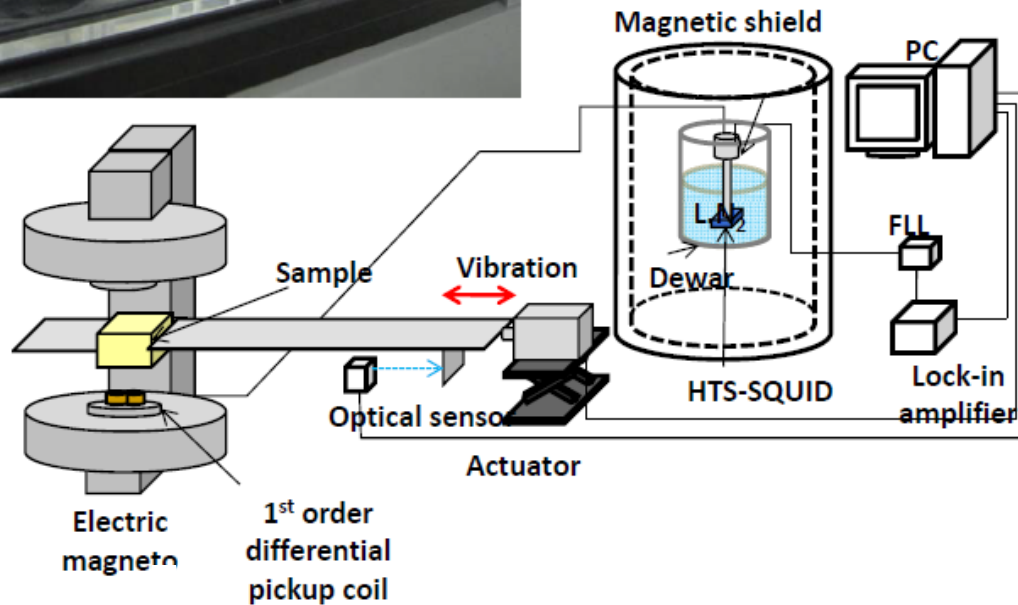
Parameters of calculation: $R_p = 0.28 \Omega$ and $\sqrt{S_{\Phi(\text{SQUID})}} = 4 \mu\Phi_0/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$

Application of HTS-SQUID module

Compact dc magnetometer



Sensitivity: 10^{-7} emu (vibration type)
x10 better than VSM
 7×10^{-9} emu (rotation type)
x 100 better than VSM



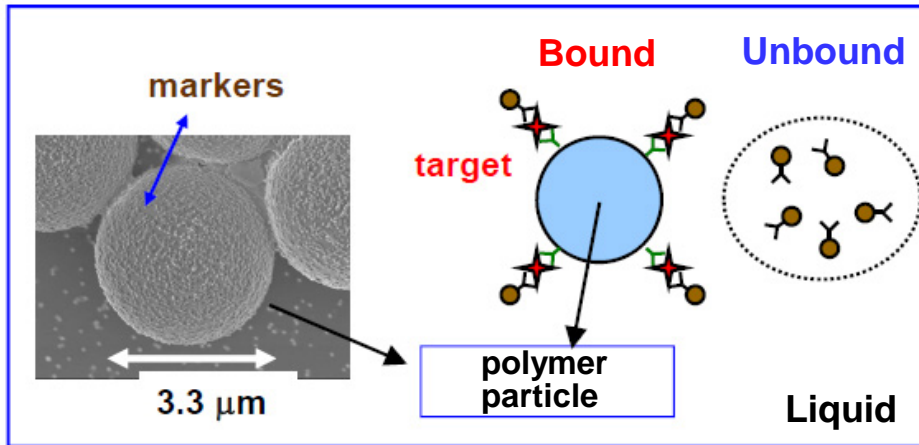
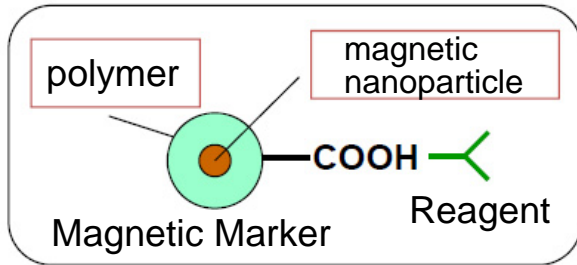
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Application of HTS-SQUID

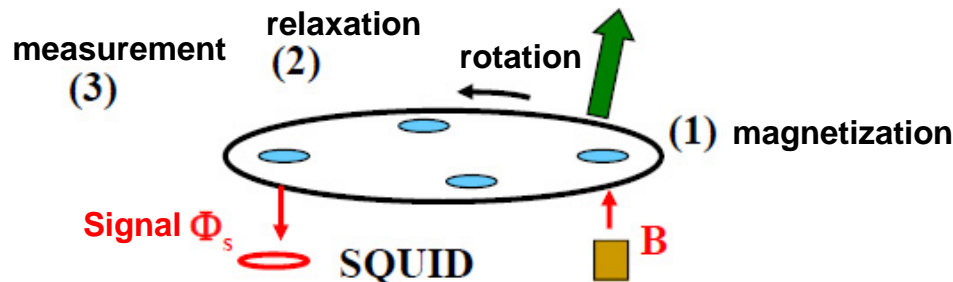
Magnetic immunoassay



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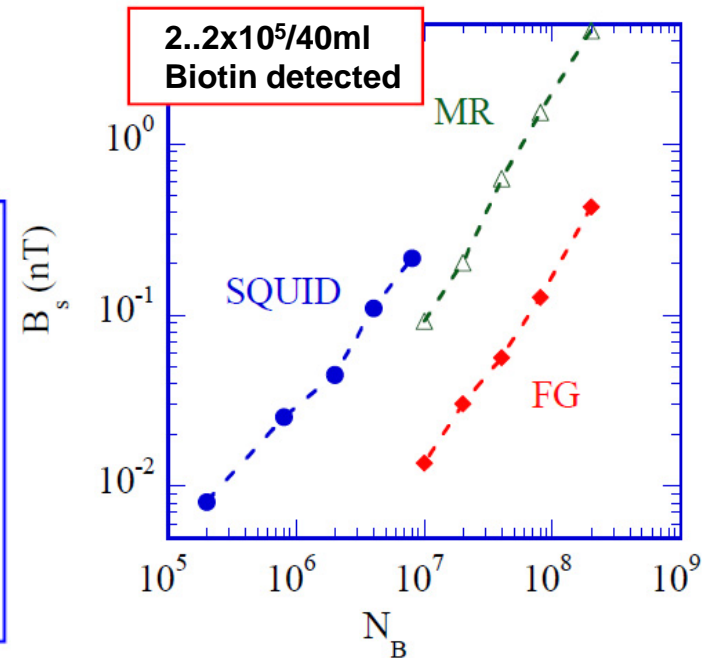
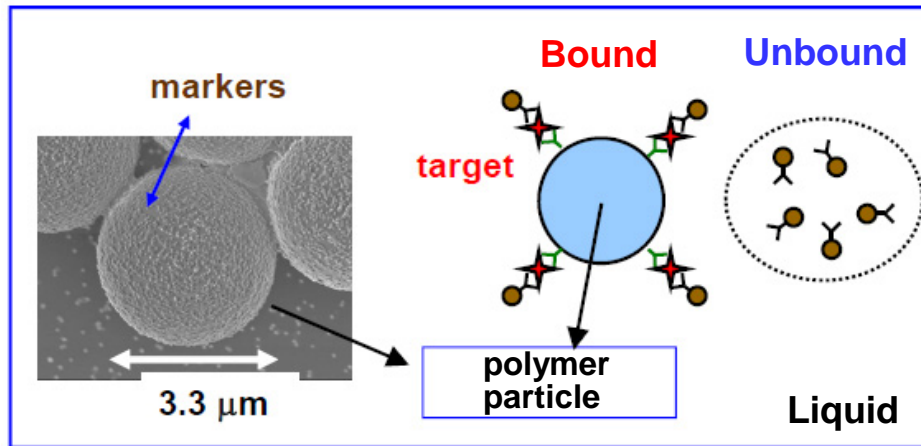
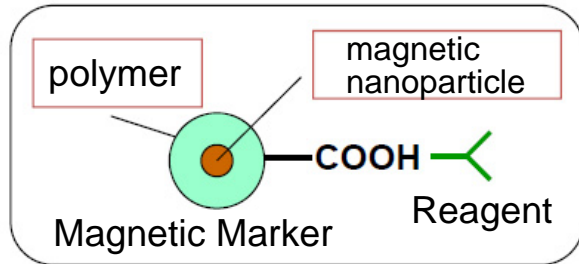


targets:
disease-related protein
bacteria
cancer cell
environmental toxin
DNA



Application of HTS-SQUID

Magnetic immunoassays

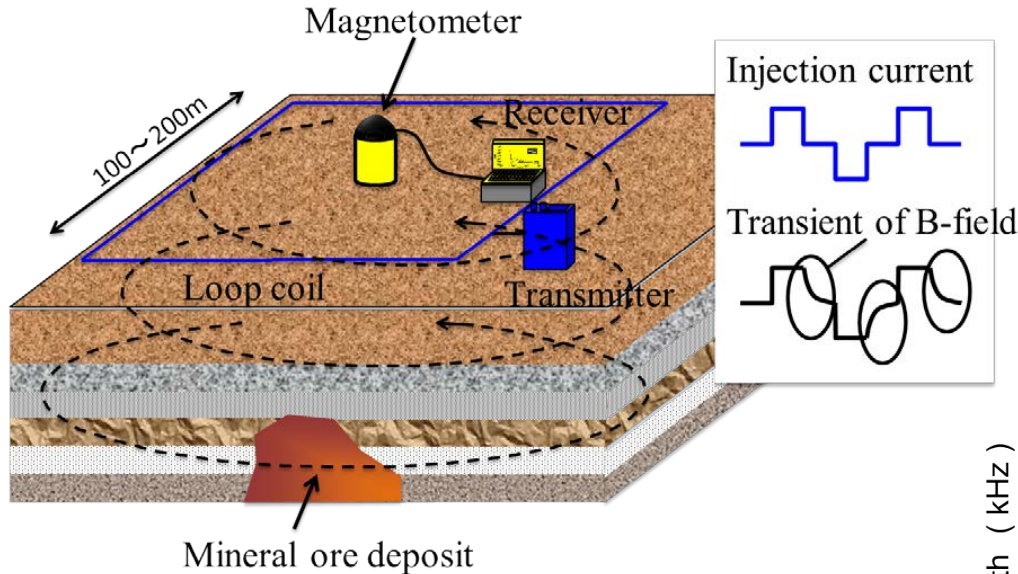


Detected signal vs. number of biotin

Prototype system using HTS-SQUID module is being developed by Hitachi, Kyushu Univ., and ISTEK.

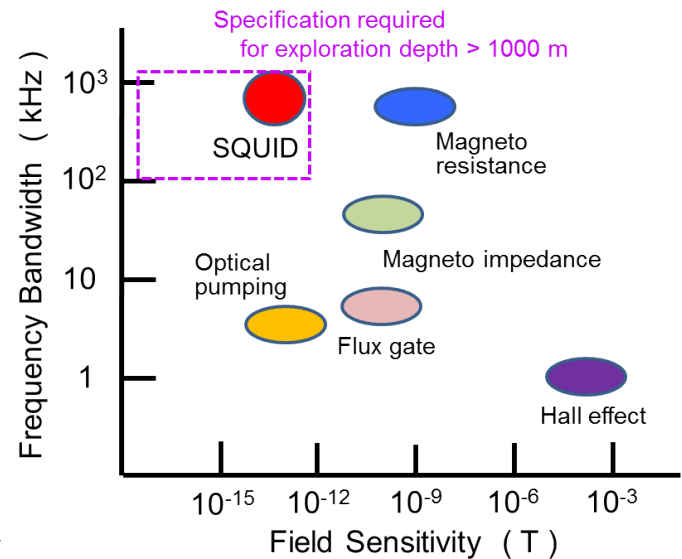
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- SQUID-TEM system for exploration of metal resources-



Transient Electro-Magnetic (TEM) method

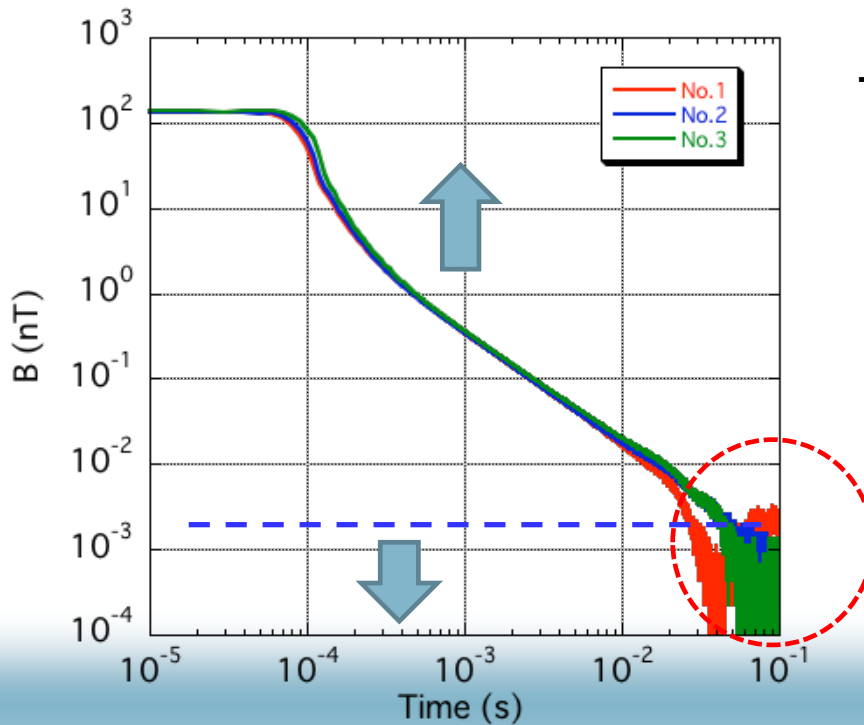
- Conventional TEM: induction coil as a sensor
- Direct measurement of field (not dB/dt) by SQUID with higher sensitivity and wide bandwidth enables exploration of deeper mineral ore body



JOGMEC Next-generation SQUITEM project

- SQUID-TEM system for exploration of metal resources-

- SQUITEM2 system previously developed by JOGMEC and Sumitomo SS.
- Development of next-generation system (SQUITEM3) FY2009-2012
better exploration depth, more compact



- Increase signal level by applying higher loop current
higher tolerance against dB/dt (slew rate) required

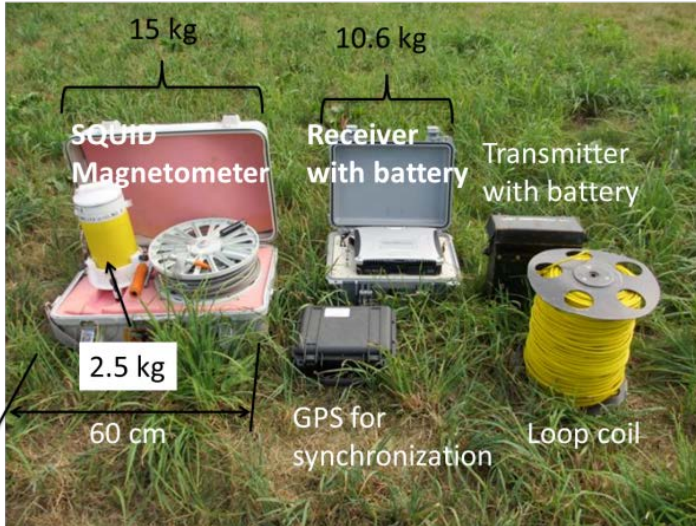
- Decrease sensor noise level

Multilayer HTS SQUID

JOGMEC Next-generation SQUITEM project

- SQUID-TEM system for exploration of metal resources-

Details: FD-3, T. Hato (Tuesday afternoon)



| | |
|--|---|
| SQUID type: | DC-SQUID 1 channel |
| Environment for use: | Sea level 0m~6000m Temp. -20°C~55 °C |
| Max loop current (100m square loop) | >40A |
| Frequency band: | DC~ 50kHz (100kHz 24bit sampling) |
| Slew rate: | 10.5mT/s |
| Field noise: | 30fT/vHz @10kHz |
| Electricity consumption: | 0.96W |
| Duration of battery: | 17h |
| Capacity of LN ₂ : | 1L |
| Duration of LN ₂ : | 17h (Standing) >8h (Field operation) |
| Size of magnetometer: | 134mmφ 300mmH 2.5kg |
| Total weight : | 25.6kg |
| (Magnetometer, FLL, Receiver, Connecting cable) | |

SQUITEM3 system

SQUID magnetometer: ISTEC

Receiver: MINDECO

Specification of SQUITEM3 system

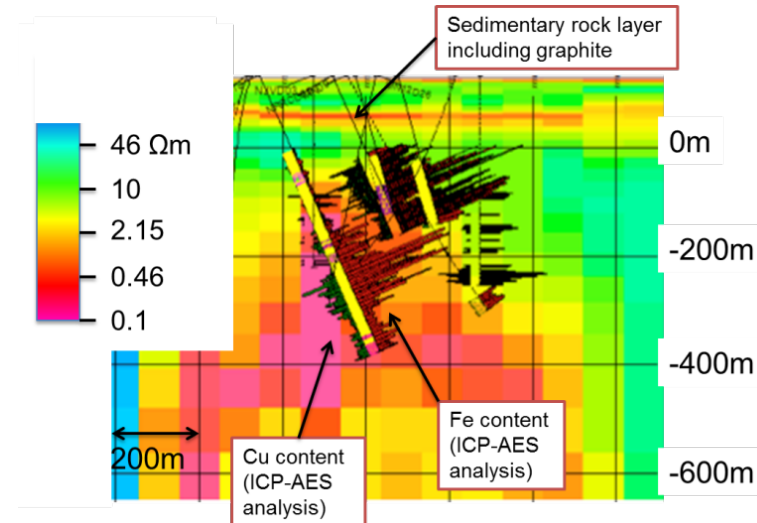
- One person can carry the SQUID magnetometer and receiver
- Full day use with 1L liq. nitrogen
- Slew rate (10.5 mT/s) x10 better than SQUITEM2
 owing to ISTEC multilayer SQUID, optimization of feed-back circuit,
 optimized rf shielding

JOGMEC Next-generation SQUITEM project

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Field test in Australia (2012.10)



Resistivity distribution map

T. Hato *et al.*, Supercond. Sci. Technol. **26**, 115003 (2013).



Exploration in Peru (2014.1)

- Exploration performance better than conventional TEM confirmed
- Used in actual exploration of metal resources and geothermal reservoir
- Development of improved system (3-channel) started FY2014-2015

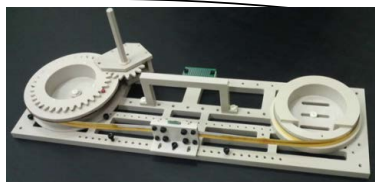
METI-JOGMEC SQUID gradiometer project

for magnetic prospecting of metal resources

Continuous measurement of gradient of the earth's magnetic field to find anomaly due to mineral ore body



Commissioned by METI and JOGMEC



FY2010

Gradiometer using coated conductor coil



FY2011

Electronic gradiometer

FY2012



FY2013



Electronic gradiometer
Thin-film gradiometer

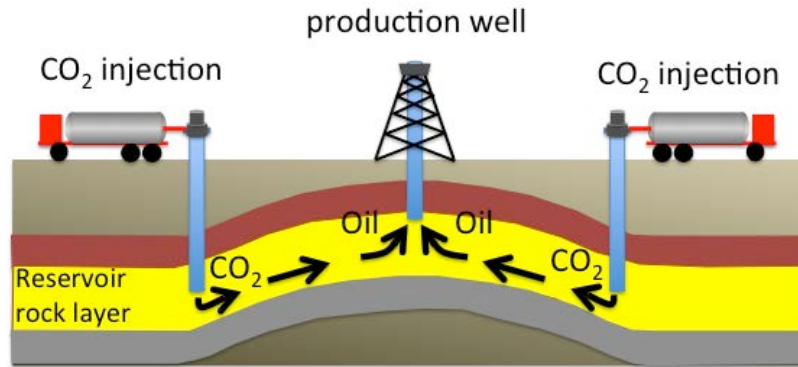
FY2014

Compact mobile system

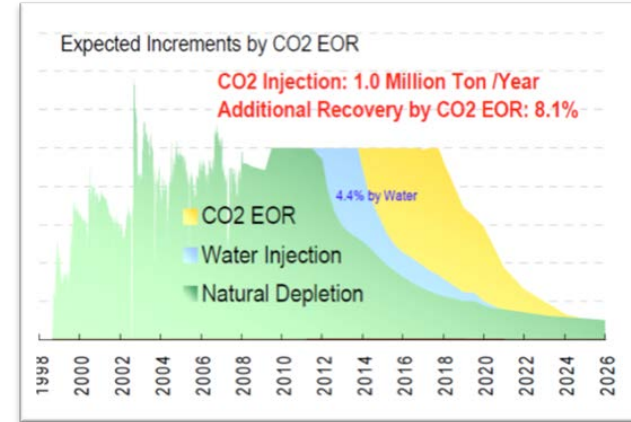
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Development of crosshole EM system

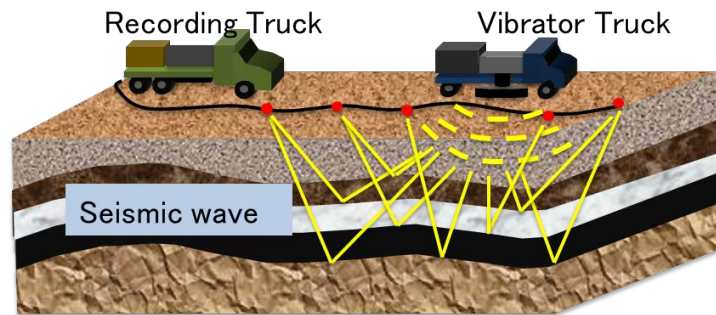
- application to oil field -



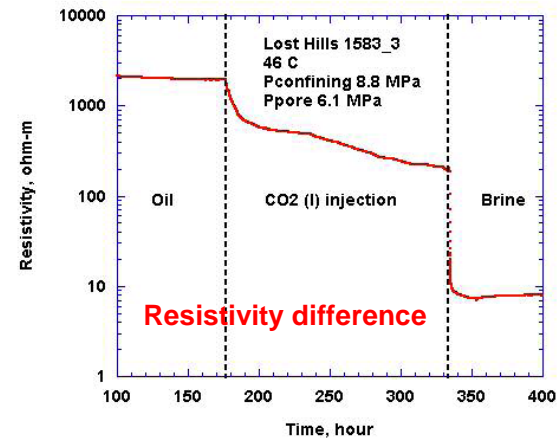
Schematic of enhanced oil recovery (EOR) technology utilizing CO₂.



Expected increments of oil production by CO₂ EOR



Combination of electromagnetic (EM) method with seismicography and gravity survey could significantly improve monitoring of CO₂ EOR.



B. Kirkendall, J. Roberts 2004
 Lawrence Livermore National Lab.

Development of crosshole EM system - application to oil field -

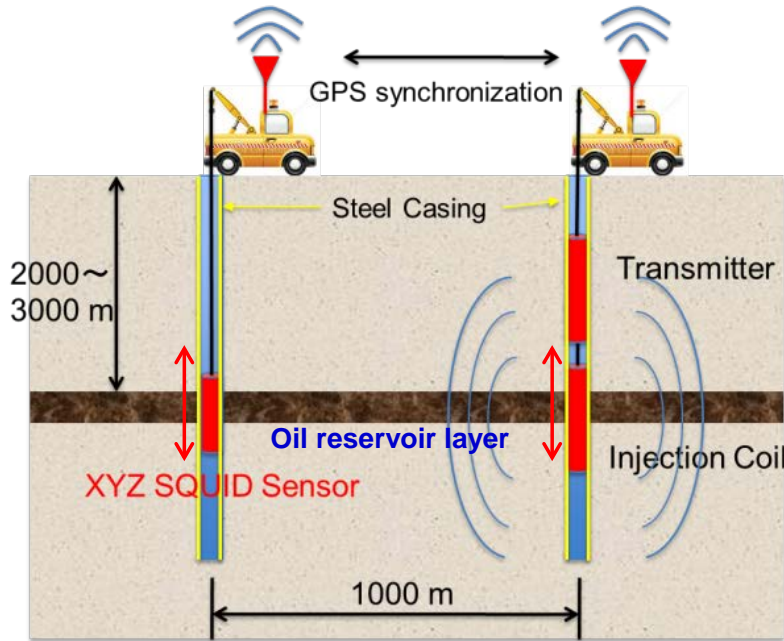


Image of crosshole EM (logging) system with HTS-SQUID magnetometer (Resistivity tomography between two wells)

- Insufficient sensitivity of conventional induction coil sensor → short distance
- Owing to high sensitivity of SQUID even at low frequencies

EM in steel-cased wells
with the distance > 1000 m expected

Technical challenges:

- Analysis technique to compensate influence of steel casing
- High-power transmitter & injection coil
- HTS-SQUID magnetometer usable in high pressure (30-70 MPa) and high temperature (250 °C) environment
- Remote control of SQUID magnetometer

Development of elementary technologies started in 2012

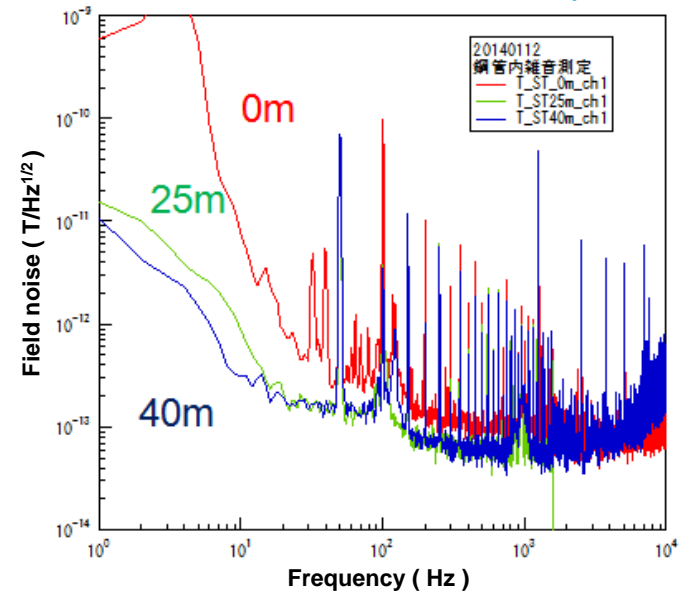
JOGMEC “Innovative technology in oil and gas development field” program

Development of crosshole EM system

- Preliminary field test-



At JOGMEC Kashiwazaki TF (Niigata Prefecture)



Noise spectra of SQUID in steel-cased well filled with water (at 0, 25, 40 m depth)

Field test in 1000 m-depth-class well scheduled next spring.



Cross-ministerial SIP (Strategic Innovation Promotion Program) FY2014-2018

operated by Council for Science, Technology and Innovation, Cabinet Office

10 selected important issues FY2014 Budget: 450 M\$

next-generation power electronics, innovative structural materials, energy carrier,
next-generation survey technology for marine resources, automatic driving,
technology for maintenance, renewal, management of infrastructure, etc.

Program Director: Prof. Yohzo Fujino (Yokohama National University)



700,000 bridges, 100,000 tunnels many of them older than 50 years
huge maintenance cost has to be saved by technologies

44 proposals (NDE techniques, materials, robotics, ICT, asset management) adopted
supported by JST, NEDO

“Highly sensitive magnetic non-destructive evaluation
for deterioration evaluation and maintenance of infrastructure”

Highly sensitive magnetic nondestructive evaluation for deterioration evaluation and maintenance of infrastructure


Project Leader: Prof. Keiji Tsukada (Okayama University)

- Member: K. Tsukada (Okayama Univ.)** remote pulse method, prototype system with TMR
K. Tanabe (ISTEC) SQUID-NDE system
T. Furukawa (JAPEIC) simulation, pulse ECT method with TMR
T. Sasayama (Kyushu Univ.) inverse problem

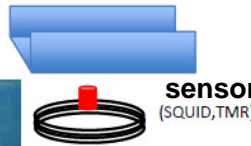
**Supporting Member: Mitsui Engineering & Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.
Chugoku Electric Power Co., Inc.**

NDE technique for thick steel, reinforcing rods under concrete , pipe

corrosion thinning




pulse ECT method

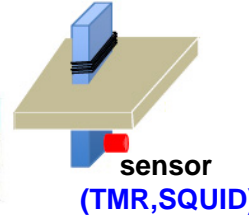


sensor (SQUID, TMR)

corrosion




remote pulse method




sensor (TMR, SQUID)

magnetic leakage flux method

invisible cracking



sensor



automatic scanning using robot



Development of compact SQUID-NDE system (ISTEC)

4. Summary and future prospects

- **HTS-SQUID can be operated easily with liquid nitrogen. In particular, multilayer SQUID developed at ISTECH has higher sensitivity and tolerance to field application. These features are suitable to underground exploration and NDE.**
- **Recently many prototype or practical systems using HTS-SQUIDS have been developed in Japan. For example, SQUID-TEM system (SQUITEM3) has been used for actual exploration.**
- **Development of elementary technologies with the aim of application to oil field (monitoring of CO₂ EOR) and compact NDE system for infrastructure has started.**

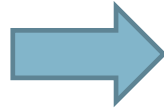
HTS-SQUID has almost reached a new stage where various field applications are viable.



4. Summary and future prospects

Possibilities of SQUID as a highly-sensitive magnetic sensor
for underground resources

Technologies of
SQUID-TEM
EM logging



In the near future

- Survey of geothermal reservoir
- Oil storage monitoring
- CCS (CO₂ Capture and Storage) monitoring
- Geological disposal of radioactive waste
- Underground structure of architectures

In the future

- Survey of seabed resources
hydrothermal polymetallic ore
methane hydrate

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