# Mechanical and Superconducting Properties of Practical REBCO Wires

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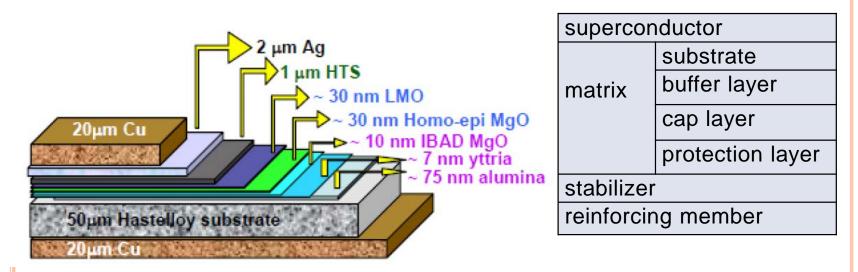
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## OUTLINE

- 1. Characteristics of practical REBCO wires
- 2. Necessity of international standards
- 3. Standardization of room temperature tensile test method
- 4. Mechanical superconducting properties and their test method
- 5. Summary

### **REBCO** Group



*Practical* SC wires are typically composite materials consisting of several functional materials for responding various demands.

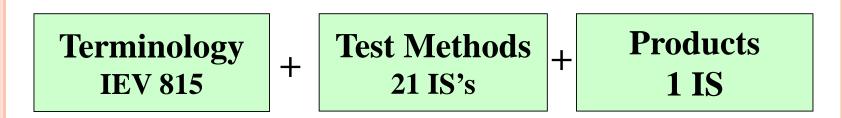
Those functional components give influences directly for the mechanical and superconducting properties of SC layer.

A wire is considered as being *practical* if it can be procured in sufficiently continuous lengths under ordinary commercial transactions to build devices.

Commercial REBCO wires used for the present RRT

Sample Name	А	В	С	D
Thickness (mm)	0.22	0.10	0.19	0.19
Width (mm)	5.0	4.1	4.1	4.8
Substrate	Hastelloy	Hastelloy	Hastelloy	Ni-W
Laminated Material	Cu	Cu	Cu/Brass	Cu

# **IEC-TC90** prepares international standards related to SC materials and devices



- is used as a common measure for commercial transactions.
- provides a tool for characterizing property of advanced materials
- facilitates easier communication among project members for many ongoing and forthcoming international scientific and industrial projects.
- accelerates to open market and improve cost/performance.

International standards give many advantages.

#### Committee Draft on Room Temperature Tensile Test Method of REBCO Wires

- 1. **Scope**
- 2. Normative references
- 3. Terms and definitions
- 4. Principle
- 5. Apparatus

tensile machine, extensometer

6. Specimen preparation

length, thickness, width

7. Testing conditions

gripping, testing speed, test procedure

8. Calculation of results

modulus of elasticity, 0.2% proof strength

- 9. Uncertainty of measurand
- 10. Test report

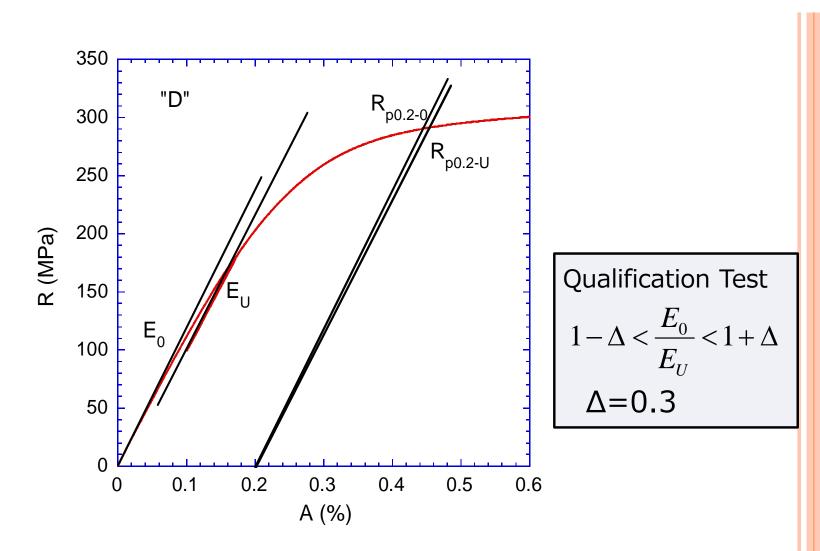
#### 1. Scope

This part of IEC XX covers a test method detailing the tensile test procedures to be carried out on REBCO superconductive composite tapes at room temperature.

This test is used to measure the *modulus of elasticity* (*E*) and 0,2 % *proof strength* ( $R_{p0.2}$ ).

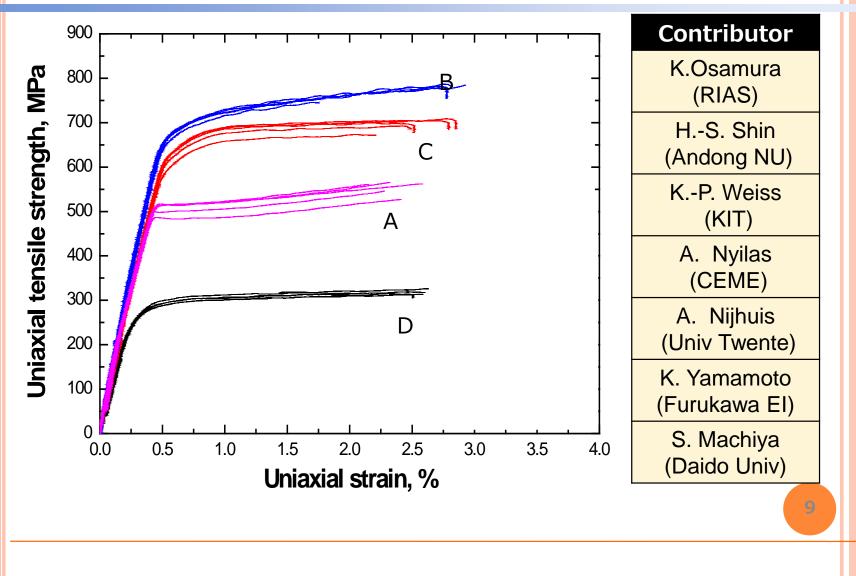
The values for elastic limit, fracture strength and percentage elongation after fracture shall serve only as a reference.

The sample covered by this test procedure should have a rectangular cross-section with an area of 0,12 mm<sup>2</sup> to 5,0 mm<sup>2</sup> (corresponding to the tapes with width of 2,0 mm to 10,0 mm and thickness of 0,060 mm to 0,5 mm).



Enlarged stress versus strain curve of the "D" tape and mechanical properties, which shall be determined for the present RRT.

#### **Summary by Andong National University**



Total average of the modulus and their relative standard uncertainty, where *N* is the total number of experiments.

Sample	N	E <sub>0</sub>		$E_{ m U}$	
		< <i>E</i> <sub>0</sub> > (GPa)	RSU (N) (%)	< <i>E</i> <sub>U</sub> > (GPa)	RSU(N) (%)
А	35	143.0	1.28	155.5	0.70
В	35	142.3	2.23	142.4	0.92
С	35	130.2	0.72	133.6	0.83
D	35	109.2	0.91	112.9	0.78

$$\left\langle COV \right\rangle = \frac{\sqrt{N_A}RSU(N_A) + \sqrt{N_B}RSU(N_B) + \sqrt{N_C}RSU(N_C) + \sqrt{N_D}RSU(N_D)}{4}$$

#### 9. Uncertainty of measurand

The relative standard uncertainty corresponding to the number of specimens (*N*) tested shall be calculated using equation (6) given below:

$$RSU(N) =  /\sqrt{N} \tag{6}$$

According to the international round robin test (see Clause A.5), the parameter <COV> has been determined as follows:

	$E_0$	E <sub>U</sub>	R <sub>p0.2-0</sub>	R <sub>p0.2-U</sub>
<cov> (%)</cov>	7,0	4,6	4,3	4,1

Standardization of measurement methods for practical REBCO tapes

Tensile test at R.T.

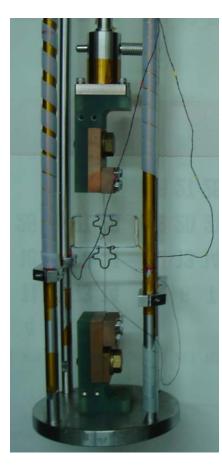
Tensile test at 77 K

Tensile strain dependence of Ic

Uniaxial strain dependence of Ic

Bending strain dependence of Ic

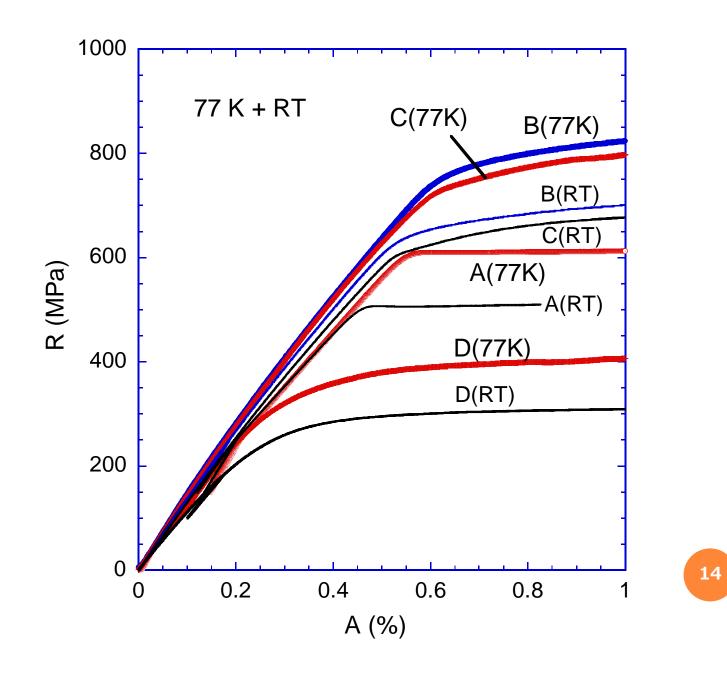
Open cryostat system for tensile test and tensile Ic measurement at liquid nitrogen temperature



Tensile Test

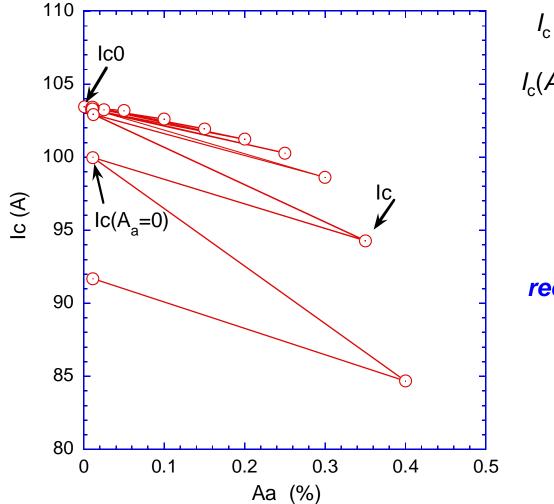








 $I_{co}$ : initial critical current at zero applied strain



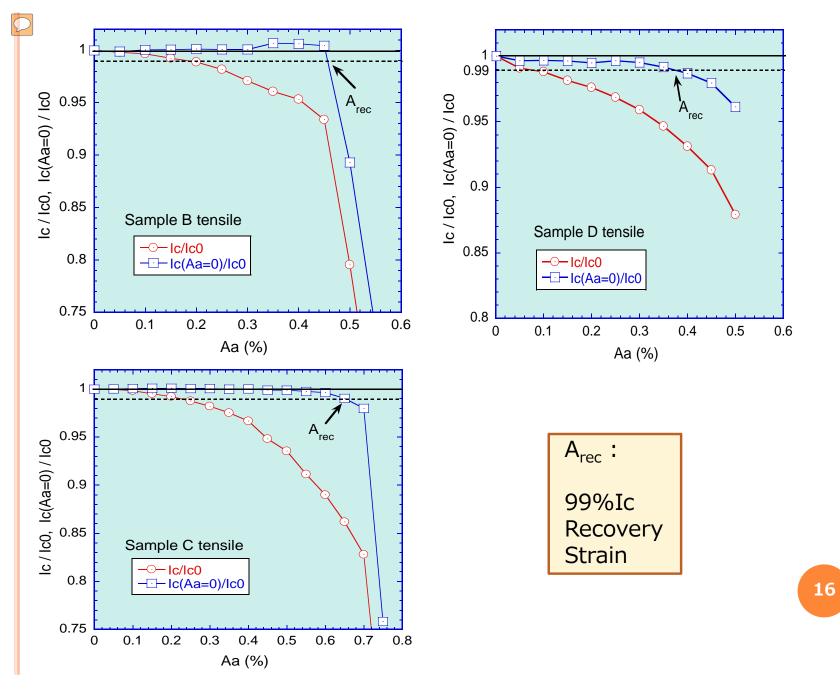
 $I_{\rm c}$ : critical current at  $A_{\rm a}$ 

 $I_c(A_a=0)$ : critical current at zero applied strain after  $I_c$  measurement at  $A_a$ , which gives contribution from the reversible part, is called as *recovered critical current*.

> lc /lc0 lc(Aa=0)/lc0

Ic/Ic(Aa=0)

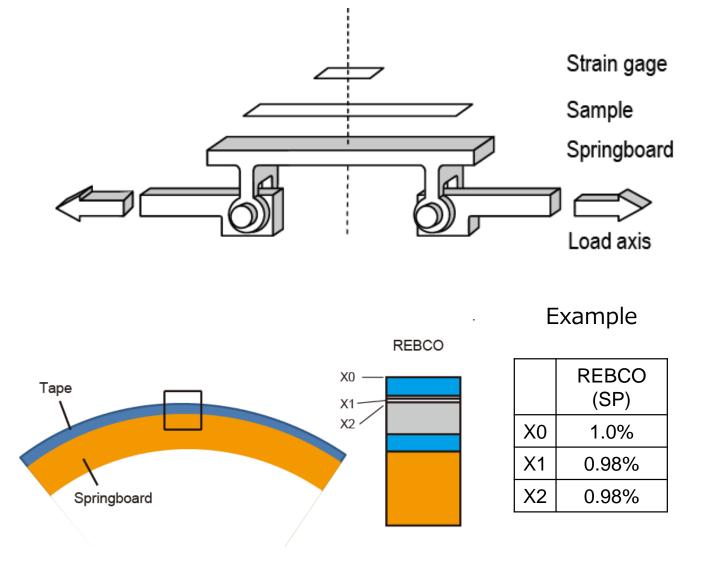
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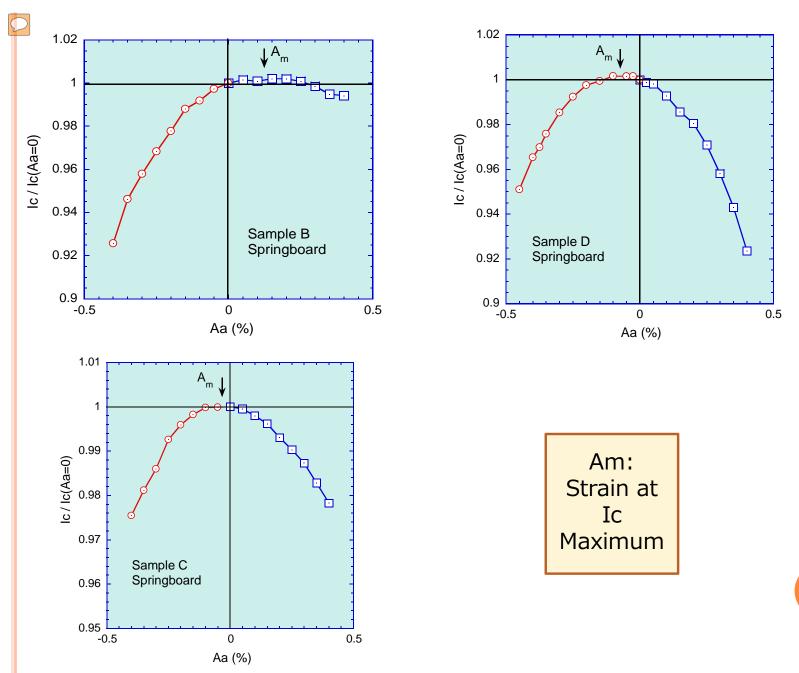
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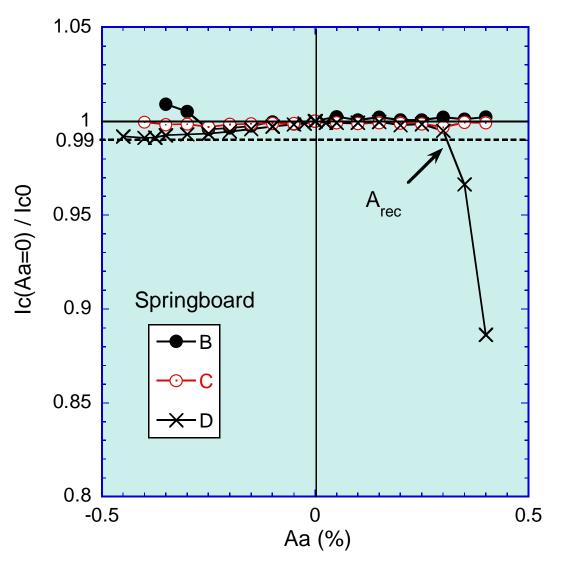
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A practical definition for the reversible strain limit is  $A_{\rm rec}$  as 99% Ic recovery.



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Discrepancy of Arec determined by tensile and SB tests is attributed to the influence of SB.

"*Maximum strain*" (Am) is a central parameter to characterize the reversible strain dependence of Ic.

#### Summary

Activity of international standardization is introduced here, Mainly in the aspect of mechanical and superconducting properties of practical REBCO wires.

- 1 Introduction of CD of room temperature tensile test method of REBCO wire.
- 2 Suggestion of the successive items for standardization;
- tensile test of REBCO wire at 77 K
- critical current measurement of REBCO wire as a function of tensile strain
- critical current measurement of REBCO wires as a function of uniaxial strain

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## Public Standards

Open Standards				Closed Standards	
de jure Standards de			<i>facto</i> Standards		
Legal Standards	Consensus-based Standards				Single- handed Standards
Mandatory Statute	International Standards	Domestic (National) Standards	Forum (Industry) Standards	Consortium Standards	In-house Standards
	IEC, ISO	ASTM,CSB TS DIN, JIS,KIS	ICFA, CIGRE		