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Insights on the anti-Q-slope in nitrogen doped cavities

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Ultra-high Q-factor



A. Grassellino et al, Supercond. Sci. Technol. 26 102001 (2013) (Rapid Communication)

Anti-Q-slope evidence in N-doped cavities



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A. Romanenko and A. Grassellino, Appl. Phys. Lett. 102, 252603 (2013)

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Field dependence of the penetration depth – a possible explanation for the field dependence of BCS R_s?



LEM muSR measurements on 120C bake and doped cavity cutouts revel that the penetration depth in the two cases have opposite field dependences, decreasing with field for N doping: possible origin of Q antislope?



<u>Conclusion</u>: Observed field dependency of temperature depended part of surface resistance well described by assuming field dependent effective spectral gap.



Palczewski et al. - this conference MOPB039 today





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Study goals

<u>Questions</u>:

- i. What are the SC parameters that can explain the anti-Q-slope?
- ii. Is that possible to identify them by fitting RF test data?
- iii. How the SC parameters of N-doped cavities compare with non-doped ones?

<u>Main result</u>:

Using SRIMP we demonstrate that the anti-Q-slope can be described either by:

- \rightarrow the variation of penetration depth with the field, or
- \rightarrow the variation of energy gap with the field

But, we cannot discriminate which is the driving mechanism!



- The use of SRIMP in the determination of field dependent parameters is limited: Mattis-Bardeen theory is a zero field description of surface resistance
- The <u>SC parameters value</u> obtained with such fits are <u>to be</u> <u>considered qualitative</u>, because of the model used (Mattis-Bardeen), and because of the large number of arbitrary parameters
- Still, **quantitative information** can be obtained for R_0 and R_{BCS}



Data acquisition example



Fitting procedure

- We fit Q_0 vs T data in order to extract SC parameters, such as λ_L and Δ , as a function of field
- A C++ translation of SRIMP¹ was used with the OriginPro 2015 Global fit utility²



¹ J. Halbritter, FORTRAN program for the computation of the surface impedance of superconductors, KFK-Extern **3/70-6** (1970) ² as in: A. Romanenko and A. Grassellino, Appl. Phys. Lett. **102**, 252603 (2013)



| Cavity | Treatment | <i>Т</i> _с [К] | <i>l</i> [Å] | $\frac{\xi_0 \pi}{2} [\text{\AA}]$ | $rac{\varDelta}{\kappa T_c}$ when | λ_L [Å] fixed |
|-----------|--|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| te1aes005 | 1 h 1000 C with N ₂ + 80 μm EP | 9.25 | 1500 | 620 | 1.944# | 250* |
| te1aes009 | Doped @ J-Lab | 9.25 | 400+ | 620 | 1.920# | 250* |
| te1aes012 | 120 C baked | 9.25 | 20* | 620 | 1.804# | 250* |
| te1aes014 | EP | 9.25 | >10000 ^{+§} | 620 | 1.793# | 250* |
| te1aes019 | BCP | 9.25 | >10000+§ | 620 | 1.839# | 250* |
| tb9ri022 | 120 C baked | 9.25 | 20* | 620 | 1.870# | 250* |

* LE-µSR

⁺ SRIMP

[#] Average from fit with fixed λ_L

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[§] Drude resistivity (@ 9.5 K)

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- *Fixed parameters*:
 - $\rightarrow \lambda_L$ obtained from LE-µSR measurements $\rightarrow l$ obtained from SRIMP code / Drude model /

$$\rightarrow \pi \xi_0 / 2 = 620 \text{ Å}$$

• <u>Free parameters</u>: $\rightarrow \Delta/\kappa T_c$ $\rightarrow R_0$



 $\Delta/(\kappa T_c)$ as a function of field (fixed λ_L)



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- *Fixed parameters*:
 - $\rightarrow \Delta/\kappa T_c$ average of values obtained with λ_L fixed $\rightarrow l$ obtained from SRIMP code / Drude model / LE-µSR

$$\rightarrow \pi \xi_0 / 2 = 620 \text{ Å}$$

• *Free parameters*:



























Is it λ_L or Δ that is field dependent?

The decrement of R_{BCS} can be described both by the increment of Δ (exponential) or by the decrement of λ_L (pre-factor):

$$R_{BCS}(T) \propto A(\lambda_L, \xi_0, l) \cdot e^{-\frac{\Delta}{\kappa T}}$$

- By fitting R_s vs T both λ_L or Δ can be set as free parameter
- The correlation between λ_L and Δ is large (multiplication)
 - \rightarrow if λ_L is fixed, the field dependence of Δ might also account for the dependency of λ_L , and vice versa!

We cannot discriminate whether it is λ_L or Δ that is varying!



Both parameters can well describe the RF data!



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R_s decomposition

 $\langle R_0 \rangle$ was calculated as the average of R_0 extrapolated with λ_L fixed and $\Delta /_{\kappa T_c}$ fixed. Then $R_{BCS}(2 K)$ is:



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 $R_{BCS}(2 K) = R_s(2 K) - \langle R_0 \rangle$

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$R_{BCS}(2K)$ as a function of mean free path



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General conclusions

- With such approach we can obtain quantitative information about R_0 and R_{BCS} , but only qualitative information of all the SC parameters
- Fixed λ_L :
 - N-doped: Δ increases with the field
 - 120 C baked: Δ decreases with the field
 - EP/BCP: Δ seems constant
- Fixed Δ :
 - N-doped: λ_L decreases with the field
 - 120 C baked: λ_L increases with the field
 - EP/BCP: λ_L seems constant



N-doped cavities conclusions

- Both the variations of λ_L or Δ with the field can well describe the anti-Q-slope
 - \rightarrow We cannot conclude that only λ_L or Δ is field dependent
 - → More probably, the whole superconducting behavior of the cavity is enhanced with the field

 \rightarrow But, why only if N-doped?

- The N-doped cavities BCS resistances as a function of the mean free path fall next to the minimum of the theoretical curve
 - \rightarrow Cavities with different thermal treatments follows different curves: Δ changes with the treatment
 - \rightarrow N-doped cavities have larger gap at medium field



Thank you



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