

# Reducing Magnetic Field Ripples for 60T Long Pulsed Magnet

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## Motivation

The 60 Tesla Long Pulsed magnet (60TLP) at Los Alamos is a unique system because it can provide a 60T pulsed magnetic field with 100ms flat top. However because the magnet is driven by a generator via rectifiers, magnetic field contain high-frequency ripples resulting in significant amount of noise for experiments. **COMSOL Multiphysics software was used to investigate the possibility of implementing a copper tube within the bore of the magnet to reduce the ripples by answers the following questions:**

1. What is the suitable tube thickness and corresponding ripple reduction?
2. What are the temperature rise and Lorentz forces in the tubes?
3. What is thickness of Zylon reinforcement needed to support the tube?

## Design

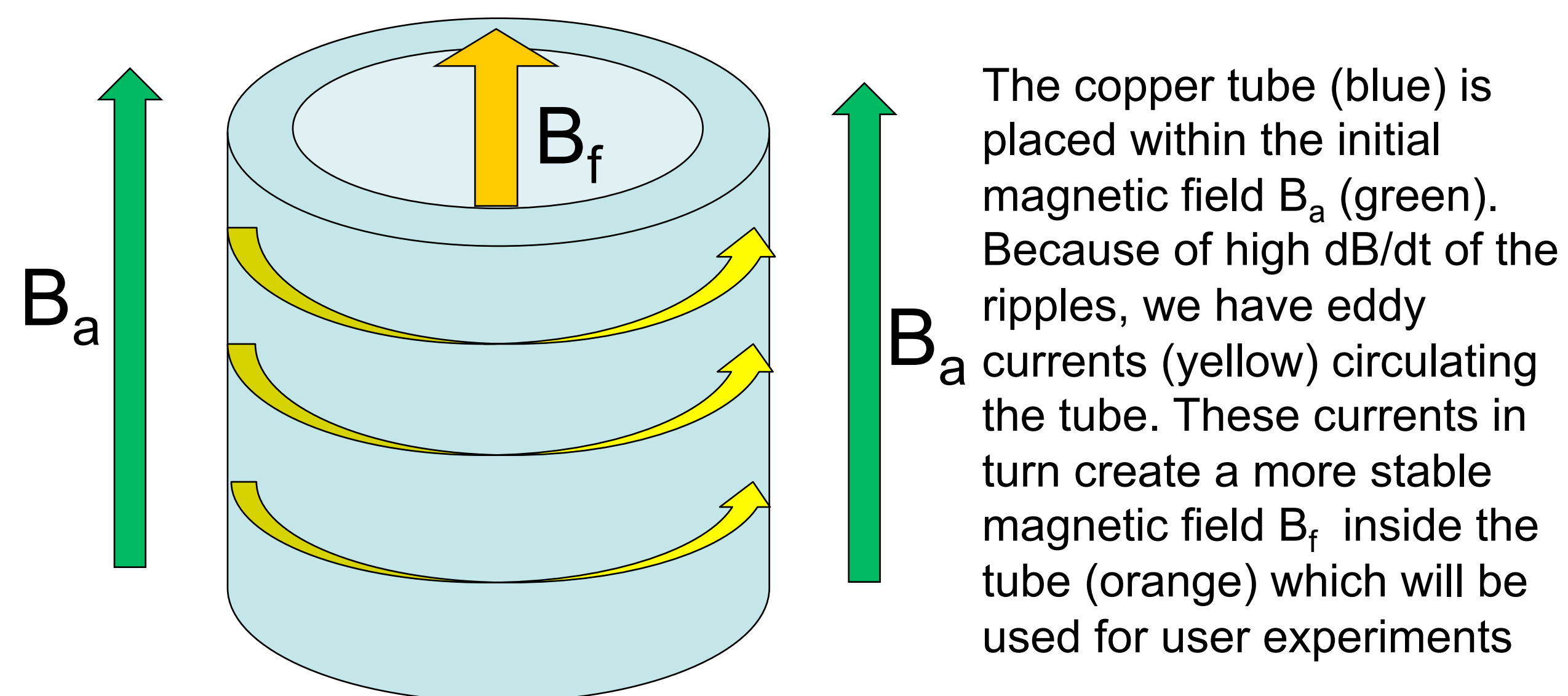


Figure 1. Not to scale. 3D representation of the copper tube within the bore of the 60TLP magnet

## Approach

### INPUTS

- Geometry
- Material Properties
- Magnetic Field Profile

### COMSOL MULTIPHYSICS

- AC/DC Module
- Thermal Module
- Solid Mechanics

### OUTPUTS

- Field Profile
- Eddy Currents
- Temperature
- Forces
- Deformation

Temperature dependence of electrical conductivity and mechanical properties of materials is taken into account.

## Results

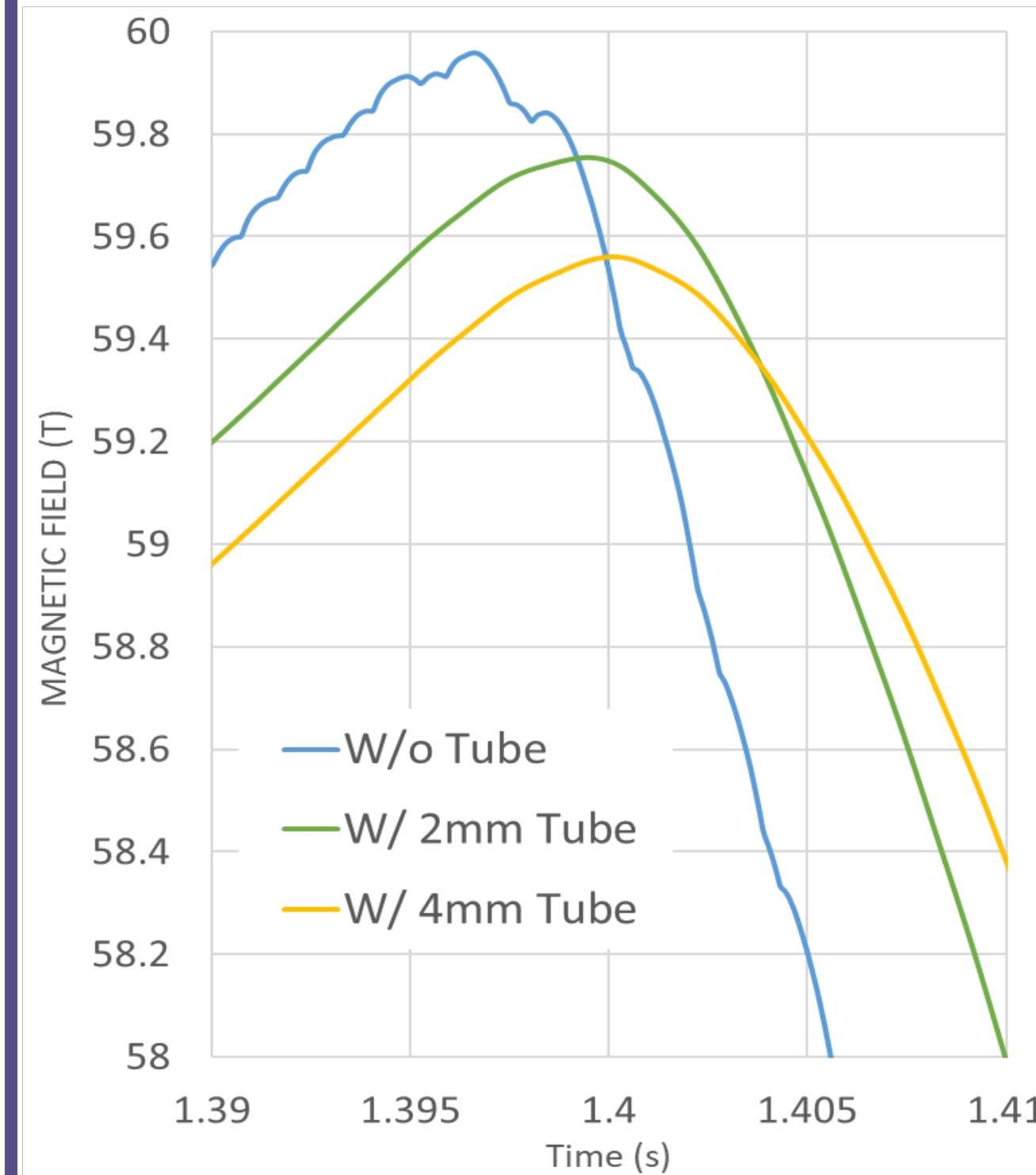


Figure 2. The overall magnetic flux density vs time near the peak field.

- The field profiles with a dampening Cu tube are significantly smoother.
  - Noise reductions in  $dB/dt$ :
    - 2mm tube : ~62%
    - 4mm tube : ~85%
- The magnetic field reduction is marginal:
  - 2mm tube : -0.2 Tesla.
  - 4mm tube : -0.4 Tesla.

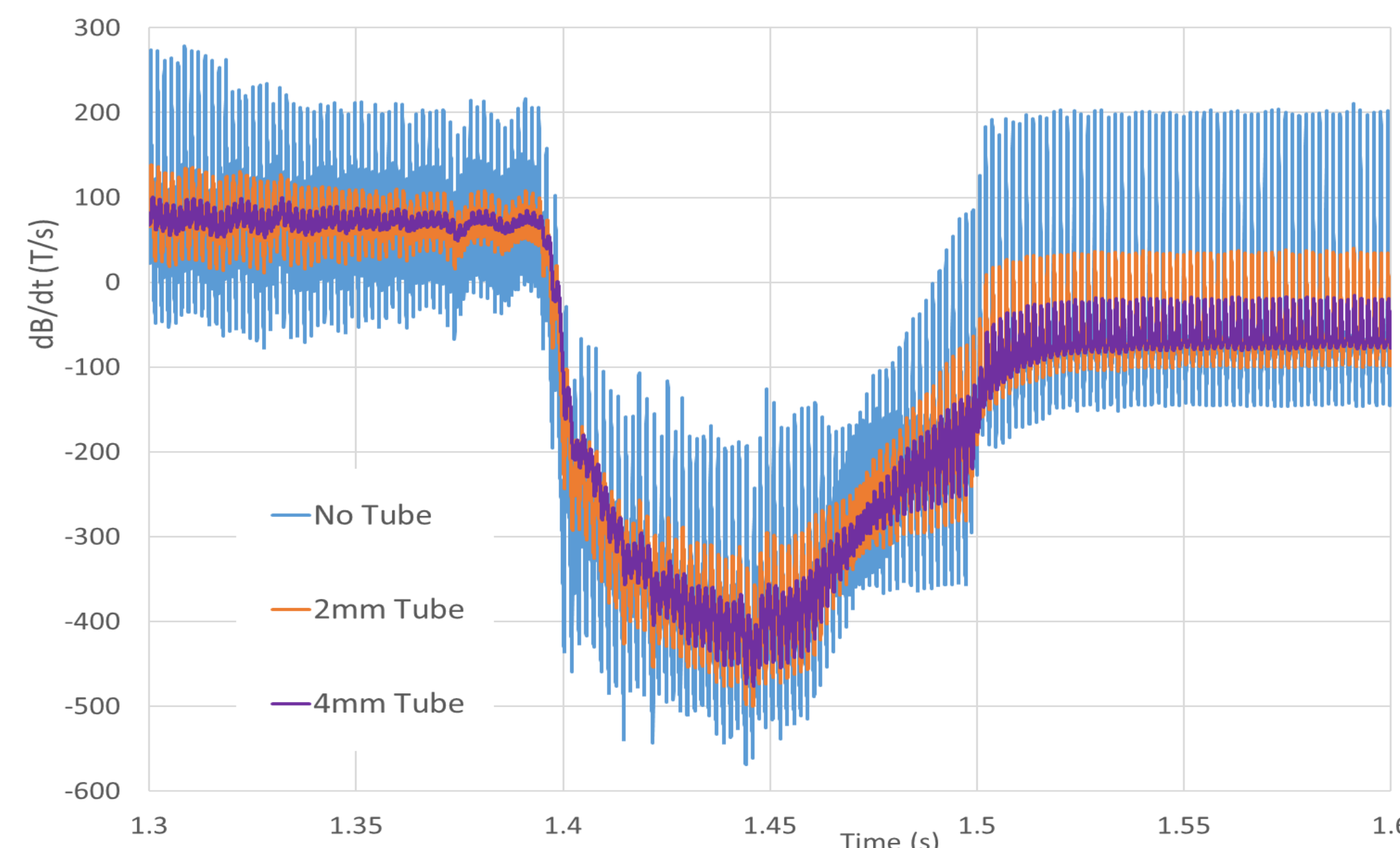


Figure 3.  $dB/dt$  is plotted near the peak field for the initial condition w/o copper tube, compared to the cases with the 2mm and 4mm copper tubes.

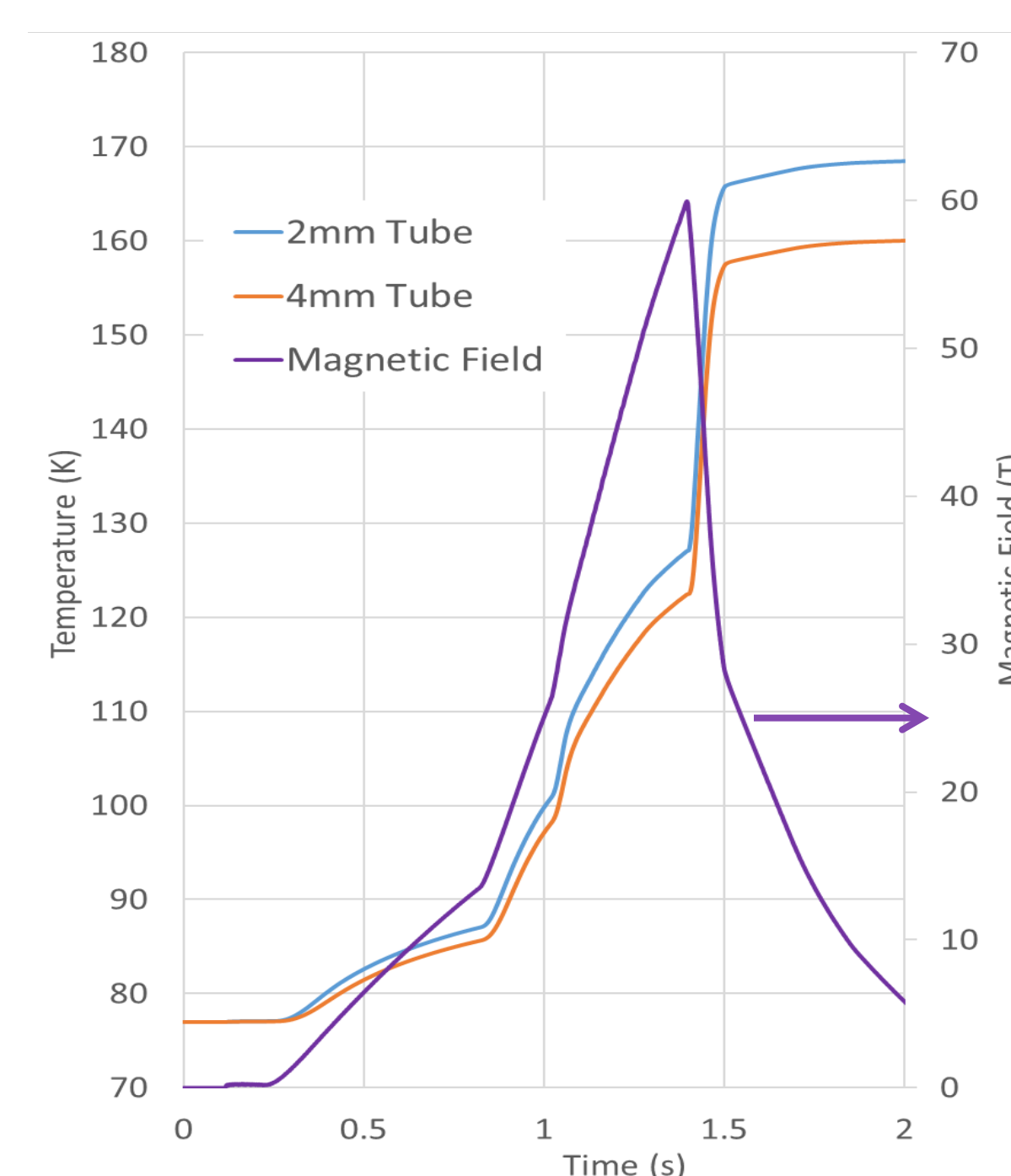


Figure 4. Temperature rise in the copper tubes, during a 60 T pulse. Field profile is also plotted

The temperature rise is quite significant from 77 K:

- 2mm Cu tube: to 168 K.
- 4mm thick Cu tube : 160 K.

As expected, the temperature rise is greater when the  $|dB/dt|$  is higher.

This is important because the conductivity, elasticity, and tensile strength of copper are temperature dependent.

• The force density is nearly the same for the 2mm and 4mm Cu tubes.

• The force changes direction when  $dB/dt$  changes sign.
 

- $dB/dt > 0$  (field increasing), force is compressing the tube.
- $dB/dt < 0$  (field decreasing), force is outwards.

• With a maximum force density of  $3.8 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^3$ , the tubes require Zylon fiber reinforcement.

• The thickness of Zylon fiber reinforcements are calculated to keep the strain within the Copper tube to less than 0.2%. Zylon is treated as a orthotropic material with very high Young modulus in hoop direction.
 

- 2mm Cu tube requires 0.7mm thick Zylon fiber.
- 4mm Cu tube requires 1.0mm thick Zylon fiber.

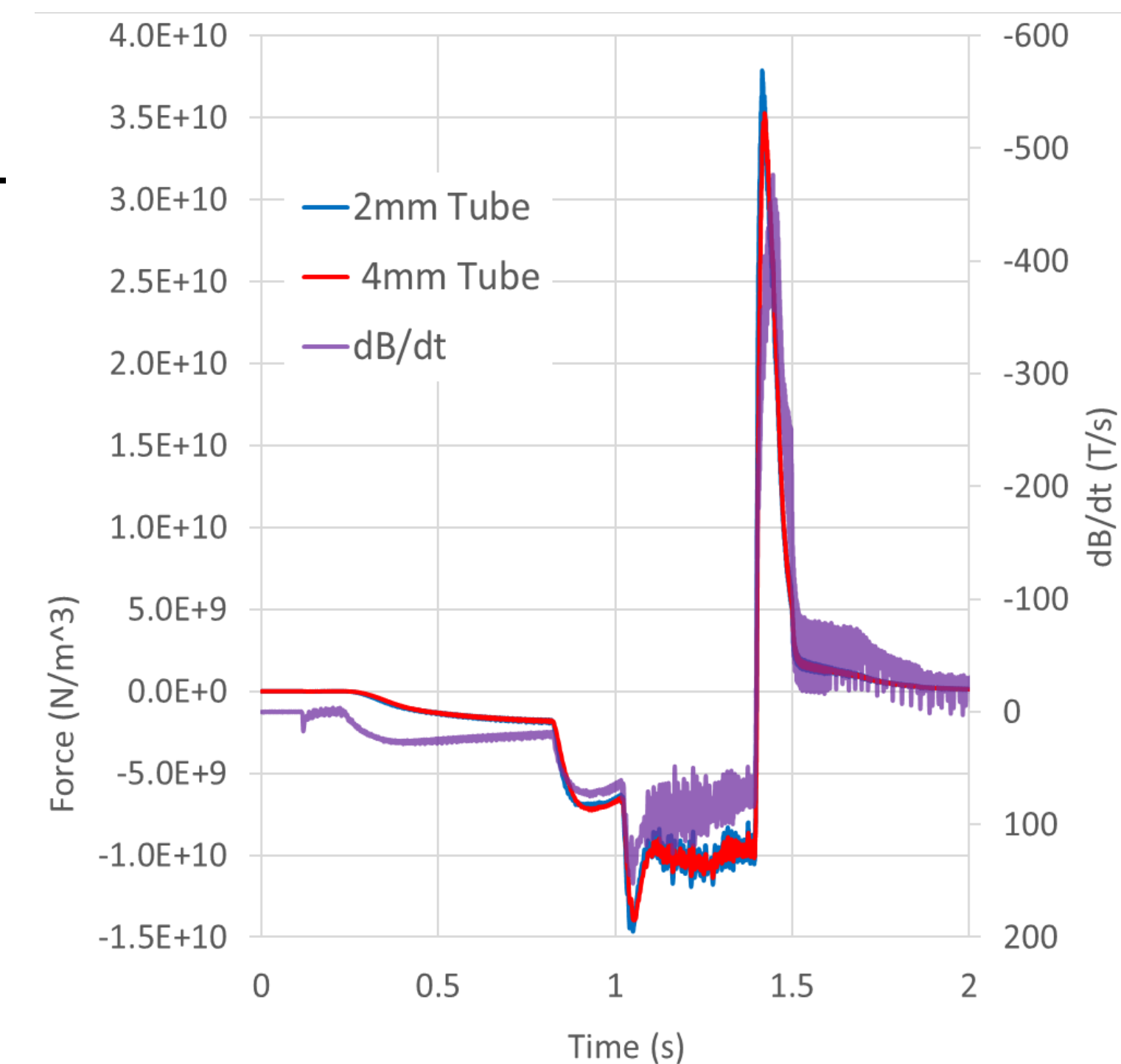


Figure 5. Average force density in copper tubes vs time during a 60T pulse;  $dB/dt$  is also plotted

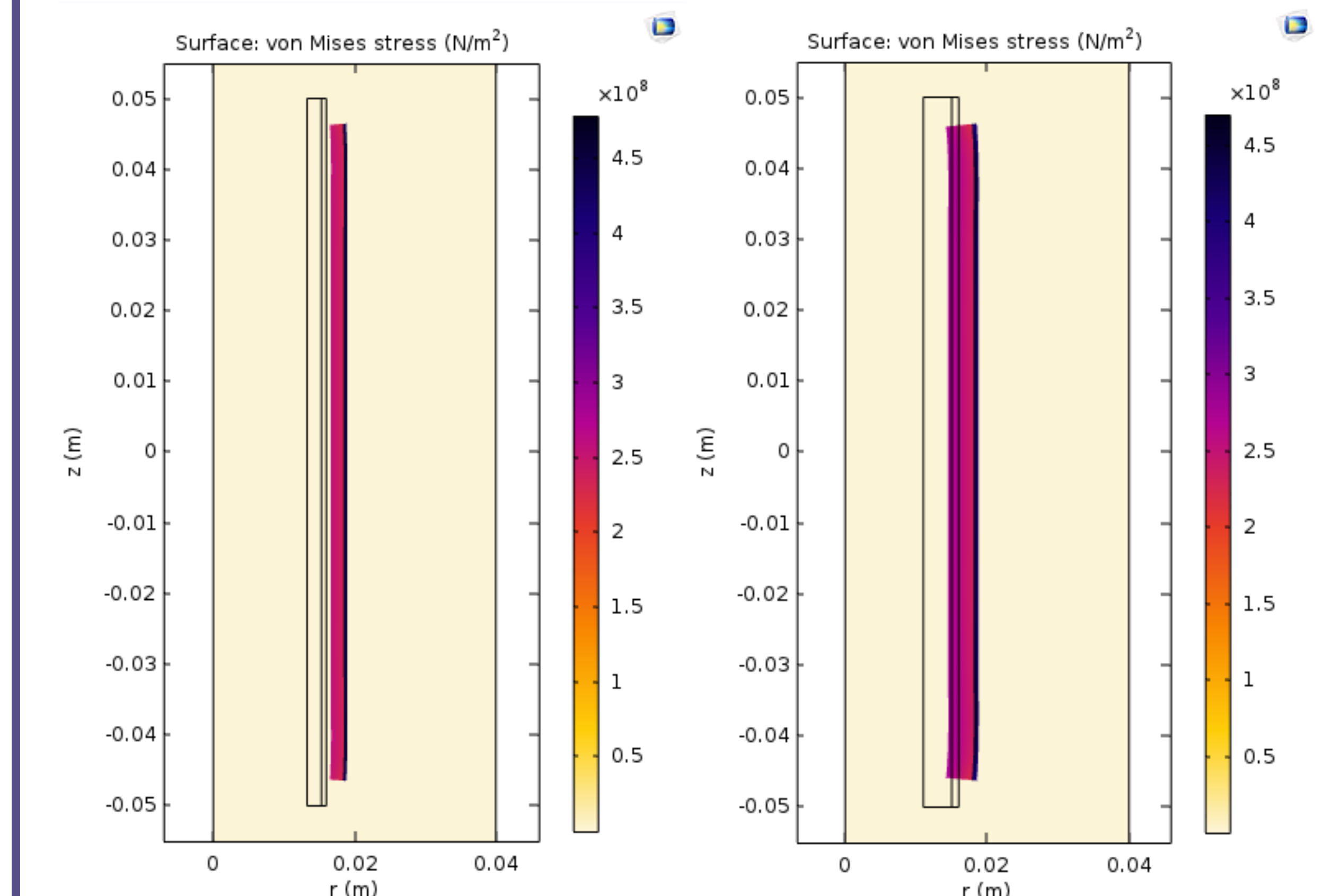


Figure 6. 2D representations of the stresses on the 2mm and 4mm copper tubes, reinforced with Zylon, deformation shown with a 100X Magnification.

• These plots demonstrate the deformation with 100X magnification. Since Cu tube operate in plastic regime, the deformation will become larger after each pulse and should be replaced after 1000 shots

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