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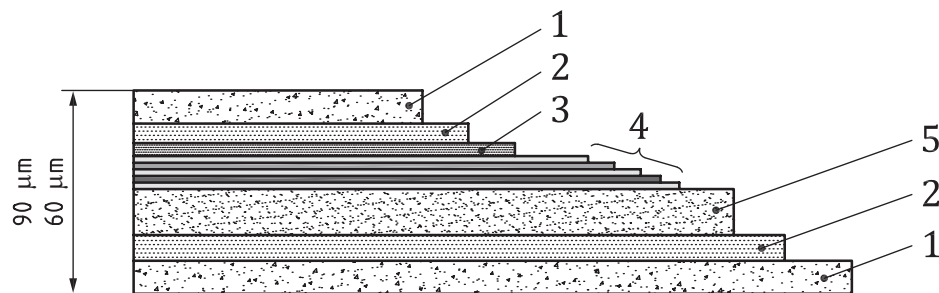
## Introduction

The increasing use of 2nd generation high temperature superconductors (2G HTSs) and invention of resistance-free joining on 2G HTSs have created the need for this document in order to ensure that joining is carried out in the most effective way and that appropriate control is exercised over all aspects of the operation. ISO standards for micro-joining and joint evaluation procedure are accordingly essential to get the best and uniform quality of 2G HTS joint.

The technique in this document regarding resistance-free micro-joining is patent-registered and was reported to patent.statements@iso.org using the “Patent Statement and Licensing Declaration Form”.

A superconductor is a material that conducts electricity without resistance and has diamagnetism below critical temperature,  $T_c$ , critical magnetic field,  $B_c$ , and critical current density,  $J_c$ . Once set in motion, electrical current flows forever in a closed loop of superconducting material under diamagnetism.

A 2G HTS consists of multi-layers and its total thickness is around between 60  $\mu\text{m}$  and 100  $\mu\text{m}$  with or without surrounding copper stabilizer. The superconducting layer made from  $\text{ReBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-x}$  (ReBCO, abbreviated term of  $\text{ReBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-x}$ ) is only between 1  $\mu\text{m}$  and 2  $\mu\text{m}$  thick depending on manufacturer’s specifications. Re stands for Rare Earth materials, of which gadolinium, yttrium and samarium are used for 2nd generation high temperature superconducting materials. [Figure 1](#) shows schematic drawing of typical multiple layers with surrounded copper stabilizer, and the constituents and thicknesses of each layer in the 2G HTS. The two layers of No. 1 in [Figure 1](#) does not exist in stabilizer-free 2G HTS.



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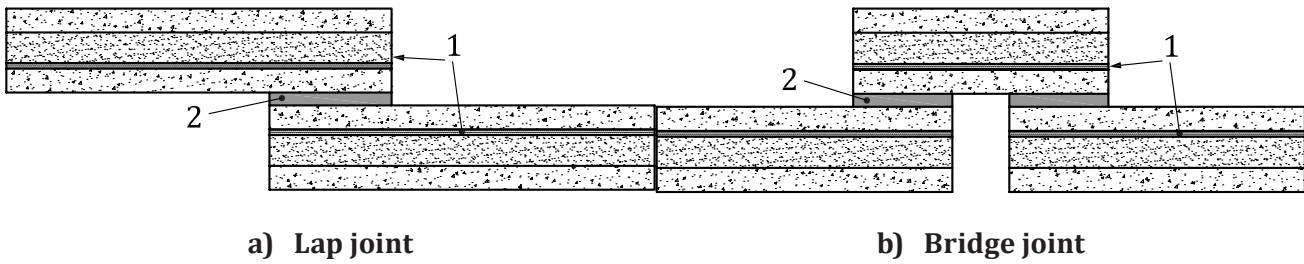
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| 1 | 20 $\mu\text{m}$ Cu stabilizer   | 4 | 5 buffing layers (total 160 nm)      |
| 2 | 2 $\mu\text{m}$ Ag overlayer   | 5 | 50 $\mu\text{m}$ hastelloy substrate |
| 3 | between 1 $\mu\text{m}$ and 2 $\mu\text{m}$ ReBCO super-conducting layer |   |                                      |

NOTE Not to scale.

**Figure 1 — Typical 2G HTS multi-layers, and the constituents and thicknesses of each layer**

Currently soldering, brazing or any filler is applied in superconducting industry as shown in [Figure 2](#), which shows high electrical resistance at the joint providing fatal flaw in the superconductor.

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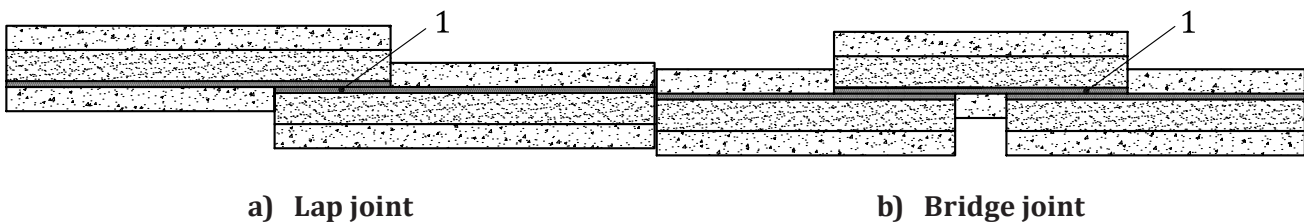


## Key

- 1 superconducting layer
- 2 solder

Figure 2 — Soldering to join 2G HTS

However, this document focuses on the direct autogenous joining of between 1  $\mu\text{m}$  and 2  $\mu\text{m}$ -thick superconducting layers of 2G HTSs as shown in [Figure 3](#) without filler metals and recovery of superconducting properties by oxygenation annealing process, which shows almost no electrical resistance at the joint.



## Key

- 1 superconducting layer

Figure 3 — Direct autogenous joining of two superconducting layers of 2G HTSs for superconducting joint

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# Welding — Micro joining of 2nd generation high temperature superconductors —

## Part 1: General requirements for the procedure

### 1 Scope

This document provides concepts, specification and qualification of 2G HTS joining procedure. A welding procedure specification (WPS) is needed to provide a basis for planning joining operations and for quality control during joining. Joining is considered as a special process in the terminology of standards for quality systems. Standards for quality systems usually require that special processes be carried out in accordance with written procedure specifications. This has resulted in the establishment of a set of rules for qualification of the joining procedure prior to the release of the WPS to actual production. This document defines these rules.

This document does not cover soldering, brazing or any fillers, which are currently available in the industry. It can be applied for joining of all kinds of 2G HTSs.

This document does not apply to 1st Generation Bismuth Strontium Calcium Copper Oxide (1G BSCCO) type HTS and Low Temperature Superconductor (LTS) Joining.

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ISO 15607:2003, *Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials — General rules*

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