

**VAC materials for electric motors
and generators**

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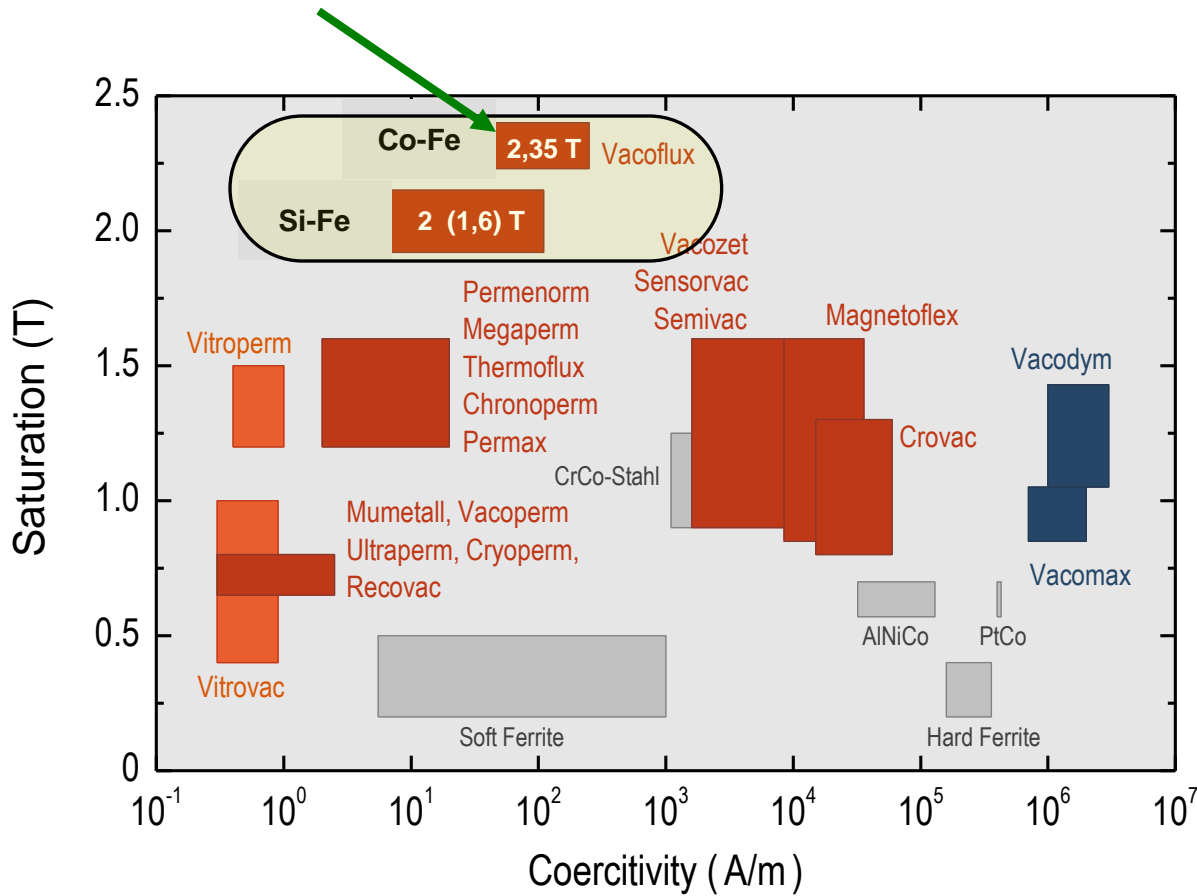
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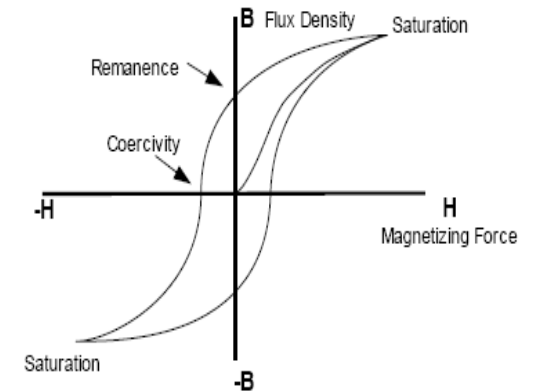
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World of magnetic materials



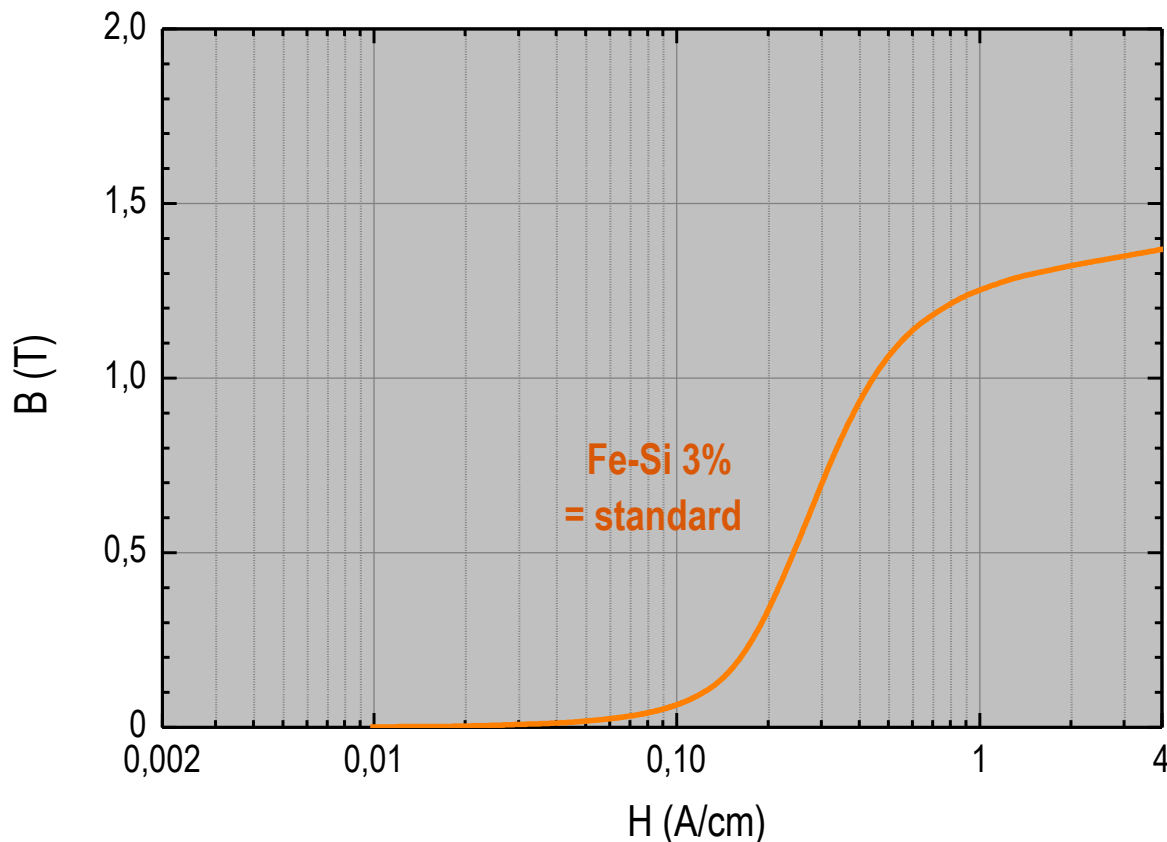
- Amorphous alloys
- Crystalline alloys
- Powder route
- Others / no VAC products

VACUUMSCHMELZE offers for wide-spread applications the optimum advanced materials!



Magnetic materials for electric motors & generators – an overview

Static virgin curve



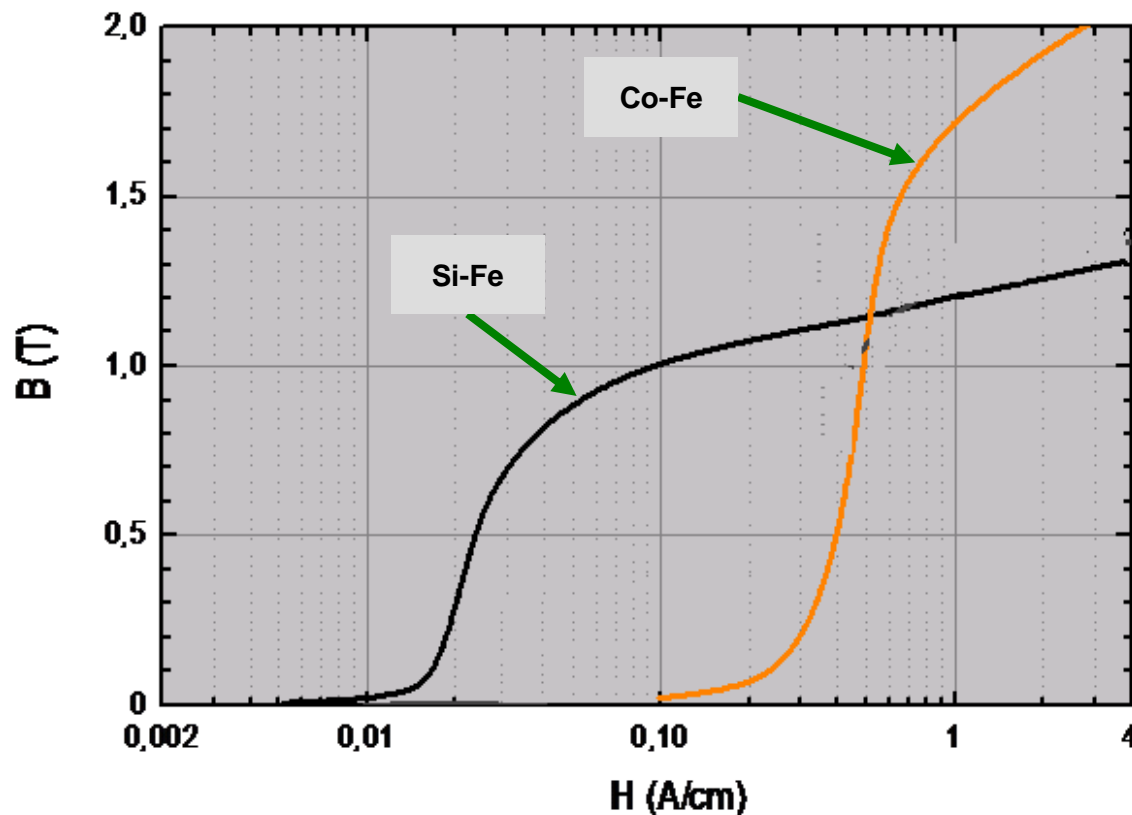
Electric Steel

Fe-Si 3%

“All-in-one material
suitable for every
purpose“ ???

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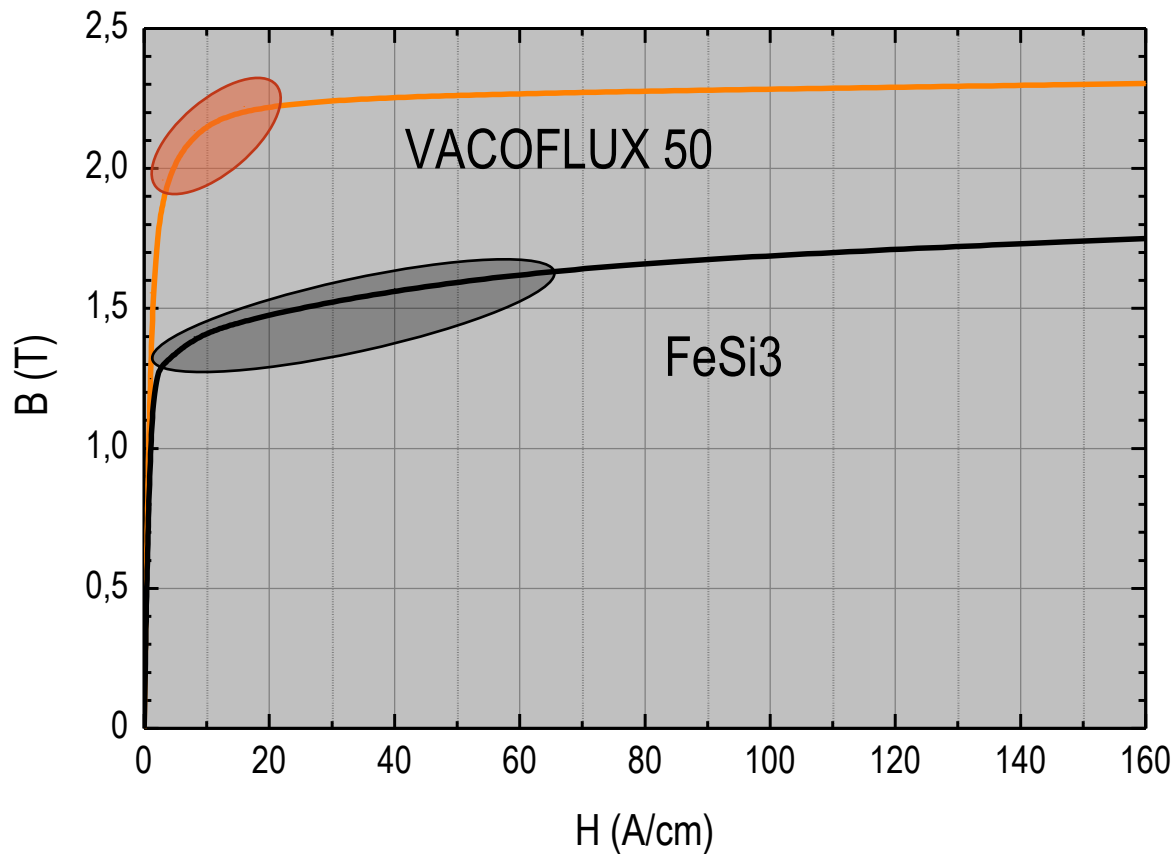
Electric Steel
Fe-Si 3%

49% Cobalt-Iron
VACOFLUX[®] 50
 maximum available
 saturation induction!

Cobalt-Iron Materials

Highest saturation induction (B_S) for maximum magnetic force F:

$$F \sim B^2$$



VACOFLUX[®] 48/50

Core material for maximum energy density in electric motors!

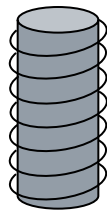
Energy density in electric motors & generators

Co-Fe material for maximum magnetic force F:

$$F \sim B^2$$

Example: electric coil \Rightarrow magnetic field $H = 16 \text{ A/cm}$

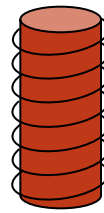
Core of
Fe-Si 3% (standard)
 $B_{16} = 1.46 \text{ T}$
magnetic force



Load: 100%



Core of
VACOFLUX[®] 50
 $B_{16} = 2.22 \text{ T}$
magnetic force



Same dimension of
Core: **+ 132% Load**



or



Load (100%):
**- 60% Core
volume**

Co-Fe Alloys for electric motors & generators vs. Fe-Si 3%

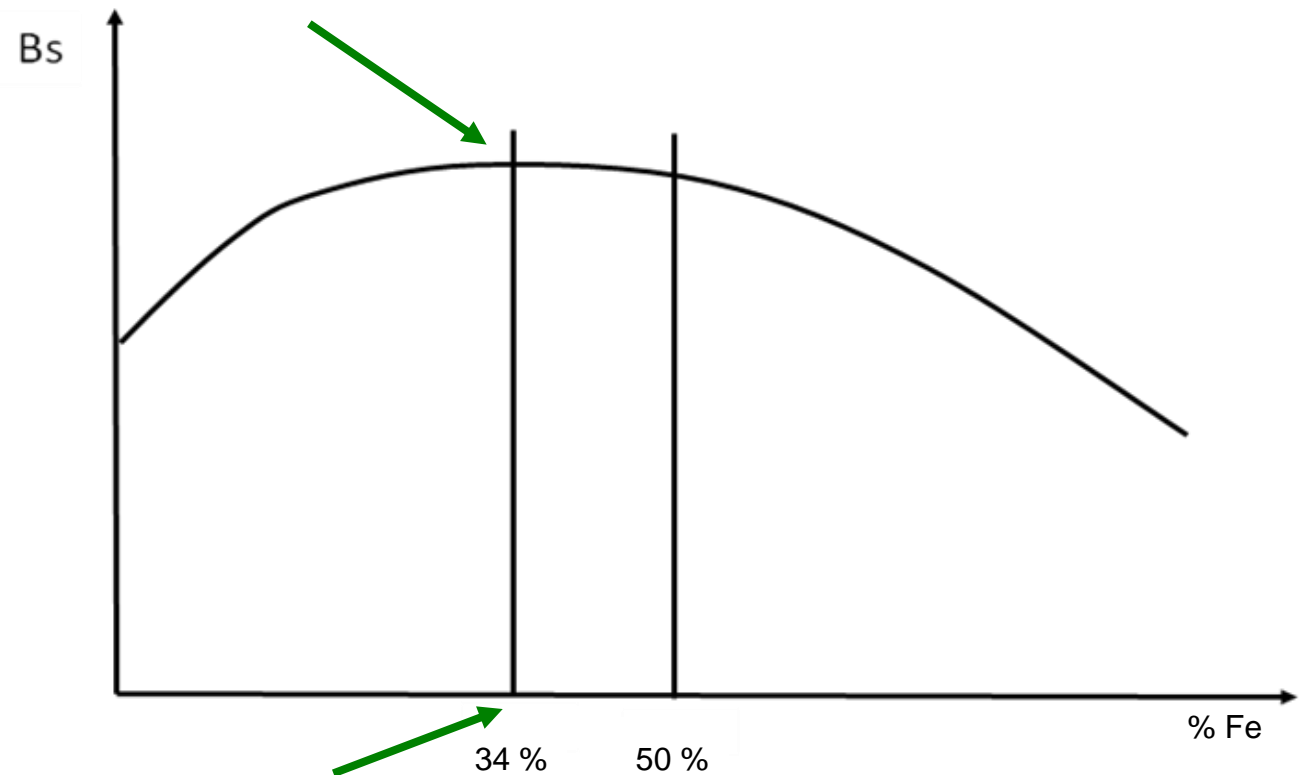
Material	Coercive force H_C (A/cm)	Electric resistivity ρ_{el} ($\mu\Omega m$)	Saturation polarization J_S (T)	Induction at 16A/cm (T)
Fe-Si 3%	0.2	0.4	2.03	1,45
VACOFLUX [®] 50	< 0.8	0.4	2.35	2.2
VACODUR [®] 50	< 2	0.4	2.3	2.0

Typical dynamic properties of cold rolled material, measured at toroidal cores, material thickness 0.35mm
 All dimensions are typical values, details can be found in the VAC leaflet PHT001.

Co-Fe Alloys... curiosities:

The alloy composition which has the absolute maximum induction saturation (B_s) is :

34% Iron
66% Cobalt

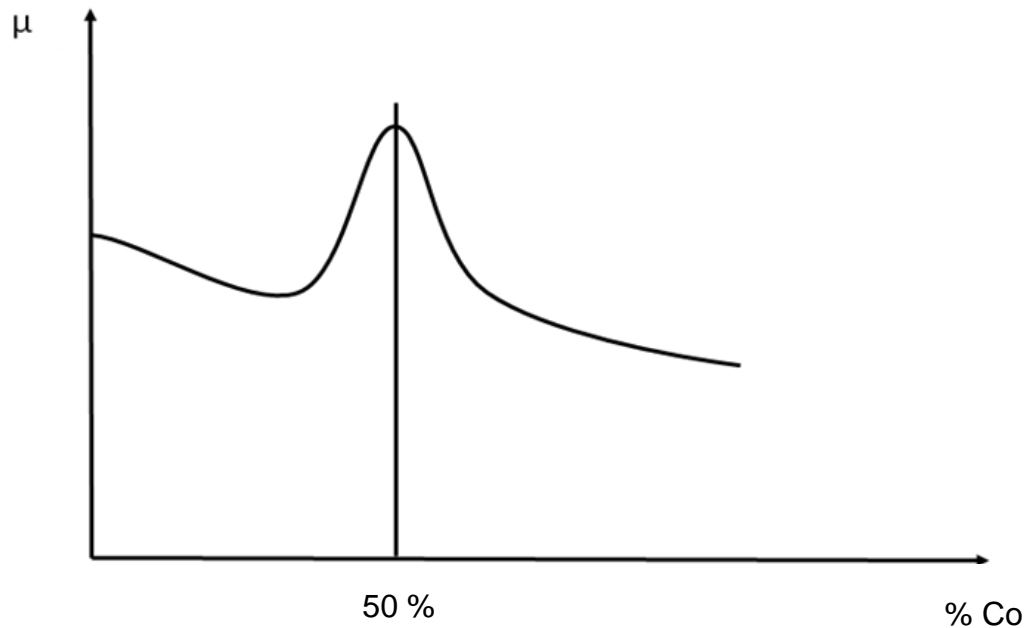


Co-Fe Alloys... curiosities:

This alloy (34 % Fe 66 % Co), however, is not practically used since it would have a low permeability and a high coercive force that would lead to high losses.

The best compromise from the magnetic point of view would be reached with an alloy made with 50% cobalt and 50% iron.

This alloy would have a remanence induction (B_s) slightly lower than the previous one while its permeability and coercive force would be better.



Co-Fe Alloys... curiosities:

Unfortunately, also this alloy (50% cobalt and 50% iron) can not be practically used because it would be very fragile and hardly reworkable.

It would also have a low resistivity and consequently high eddy currents (in alternate current).

Due to these problems, let's now consider the BEST COMPROMISE:

An alloy made up of:

49% cobalt e 49% iron 2% vanadium

This alloy has an excellent saturation, slightly lower than the previous one (2.35 T), a good permeability, low coercive force, good ductility, and therefore reworkability, and an high resistivity. This alloy provides the best technical compromise and is that one universally used.

Vac proposes:

Vacoflux 50

High coercitivity (0,7 - 1,4 A/cm) depending from thickness, high initial permeability, maximum permeability around (1000 -12.000).

It is not usually provided as a tape but only in finished parts.

This alloy is suitable for static applications.

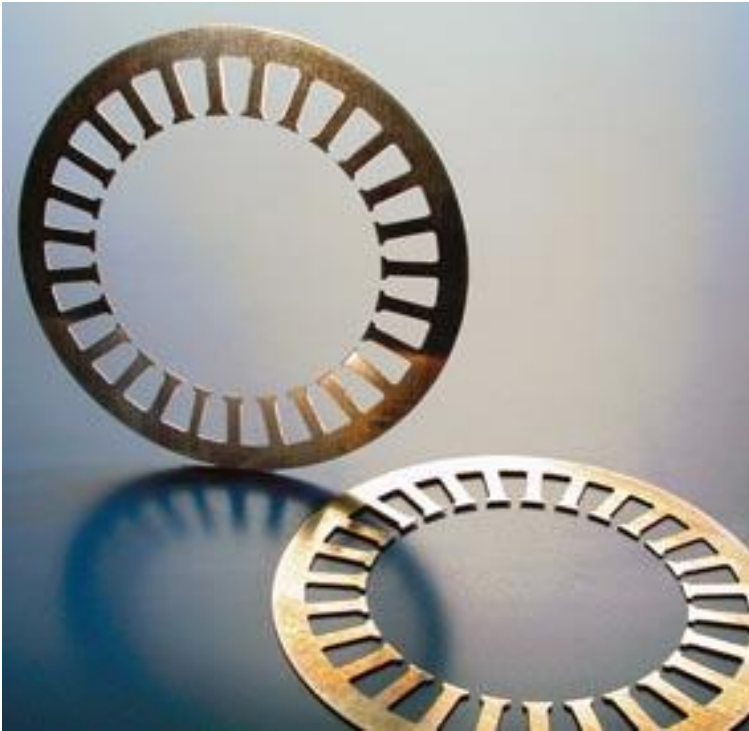
Vacoflux 48

Low coercitivity (0,3 A/cm) . The initial and maximum permeability are higher than Vacoflux 50 (1200 – 20.000).

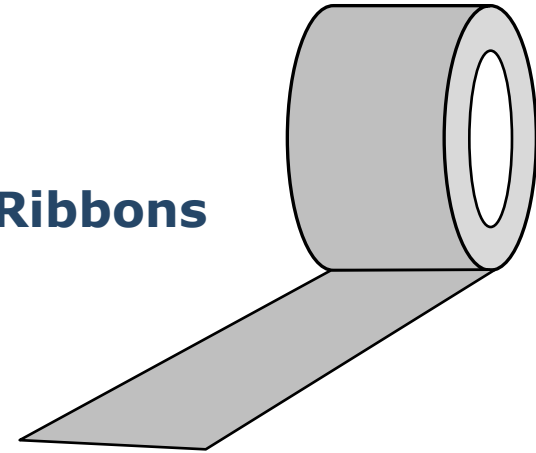
This alloy is suitable for dynamic applications.

Form of supply:

Laminations



Ribbons



Vacstack



Low Cobalt content alloys:

Vacoflux 17

Vacoflux 17

This is a 17% cobalt alloy. It's cheaper than the alloys with an higher cobalt percentage and it has an higher Saturation (2,22 T) if compared to Si-Fe.

Permeability is good (600 – 4000) while, unfortunately, the coercitivity is quite high (1,5 A/cm).

This leads to relevant losses if the material is used in dynamic applications.



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