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Development of the stranded-cable type heat conductor made of ultra-high purity Aluminium

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Refrigeration and Precise measurement

- Cryogenic environment is often adopted for precise measurements.
 - Artificial satellites
 - Cryogenic gravitational wave telescope

All these precise measurements require quiet-vibration condition.

 However, if you connect the heat conductor, it may introduce vibration. In some cases, cryocoolers should be used for cooling. Here, the above problem can be serious.

The heat conductor which has high thermal conductance and low stiffness can be utilized widely.

Originally, this stranded-cable type heat link was developed for "KAGRA".

Cryogenics and Astrophysics

KAGRA: Large-scale cryogenic gravitational wave telescope in Japan



http://time.com/4217820/gravitational-waves-history/



Laser interferometer can detect gravitational waves.

Gravitational waves are ripples in space-time. It changes the distance between cute apples. Cute apples must be like free mass.



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Cryogenic mirror suspension system



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Details of our heat link

• Material: 99.9999% (6N) Aluminum (Sumitomo Chemical Co., Ltd.)



If we consider the cantilver shape, from easy discussion, spring constant is driven as $k = \frac{P^2}{N}$. k: Spring constant, P: Heat, N: Number of wires Our heat link ensures large cross-sectional area by gathering many thin wires.

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 - Residual Resistivity Ratio (RRR)
 - Thermal conductivity
 - Effect of mechanical deformation on the thermal performance
 - Spring constant



RRR: Method

- RRR: Residual Resistivity Ratio $RRR = \frac{\rho_{300 \text{ K}}}{\rho_{4.2 \text{ K}}} = \frac{R_{300 \text{ K}}}{R_{4.2 \text{ K}}}$ Purity, Size effect, Easy evaluation of t.c..
- 4-wire measurement

We measured electrical resistance of sample at room temp. and liquid helium temp..





Measured sample			
	5N	6N	
Diameter	0.15 mm	0.15 mm	

Annealing: 450 °C, 3 hours, Vacuum

RRR: Result

• Result

	5N	6N	
Measured value	3090	3570	
Estimated value	2571	3882	
Bulk RRR*	6000	22000	
*by Sumitomo Chemical Co. 1td			

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Estimation of thermal conductivity

It is possible to estimate t.c. from RRR.

$$\kappa(T) = \frac{1}{\underbrace{1.8 \times 10^{-7} T^2 + \underbrace{1.1/(\text{RRR }T)}_{\text{Monon scattering}}}$$
Phonon scattering Impurity & Lattice defects

Size effect:

Occurred due to the limitation of meanfree-path by diameter of sample



Thermal conductivity: Method

Longitudinal Heat Flow Method

$$P = \kappa \frac{A \Delta T}{l}$$

- *P* : Heating value of Heater1
- A : Cross-sectional area of heat link
- l : Length of heat link
- ΔT : Temperature deference btw T1 and T2
 - Calculate thermal conductivity κ



Thermal conductivity: Setting

- Liquid helium was used because:
 - temperature is very stable,
 - it is possible to make initial temperature uniform by introducing heat exchange gas.
- 7-wire stranded cable was used.





Thermal conductivity: Result Thermal Conductivity of Heatlink



Effect of mechanical deformation

Motivation

- For the practical use, it is difficult to use or install heat link without deformation.
- However mechanical stress might decrease its thermal performance.
- We investigated how mechanical stress affect to the RRR.

Method

We wrapped a wire to the cylindrical bar and compared RRRs before and after.



Decrease of thermal conductivity Thermal Conductivity of Heatlink



Advantage of stranded cable in stiffness

- Evaluation of spring constant
 - Spring constant is index of the stiffness.
 - $k \propto f^2$ f: resonant frequency
 - We prepared a single thick wire with same cross-sectional area of stranded cable.
 - -> We measured both resonant frequencies.



$$k \propto \frac{P^2}{N}$$

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- The stranded-cable type heat link was originally developed for KAGRA.
- The measured RRR of 6N aluminum heat link was approximately 3570.
- The measured maximum thermal conductivity was approximately 18500 W/m/K at 10 K.
- The effect of mechanical deformation was verified.
- The spring constant of heat link was 1/43 that of a single thick wire with the same cross sectional area.
- We expect this heat link can be applied to various region.

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KAGRA: Large-scale cryogenic gravitational wave telescope

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Estimation of thermal conductivity

For easy evaluation of thermal conductivity

Wiedemann Franz law

Free electron works as the career of electric charge and heat



- κ : Thermal conductivity σ : Electrical conductivity
- Estimation of thermal conductivity from RRR

$$RRR = \frac{\rho_{300 \text{ K}}}{\rho_{4.2 \text{ K}}} = \frac{\sigma_{4.2 \text{ K}}}{\sigma_{300 \text{ K}}}$$
$$\kappa(T) = \frac{1}{1.8 \times 10^{-7} T^2 + 1.1/(\text{RRR} T)} \dots \text{Eq.(1)}$$

We evaluated the RRR first, then moved thermal conductivity measurement.

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Cryogenics and Astrophysics KAGRA: Cryogenic gravitational wave Key feature1:

Underground site

 -> Reduction of seismic vibration

Virgo in Italy





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