



# Remote Magnetic Sensing of Plastically Deformed Steel

Aroba Saleem, P. Ross Underhill and Thomas W. Krause

*Department of Physics and Space Science  
Royal Military College of Canada*



NDT in Canada  
**NDT<sup>i</sup>C 2019**  
*Inform - Engage - Advance*

June 18 - 20  
River Cree  
Resort &  
Casino  
Edmonton,  
Alberta

# Outline

- ▶ Motivation
- ▶ Introduction
- ▶ Materials and Methodology
- ▶ Results and Discussion
- ▶ Conclusion
- ▶ Acknowledgements

# Motivation



<https://www.google.ca/search?q=pipe+digging+for+testing&rlz>



Collection of above-ground survey data.



# Pipes– Residual Magnetization

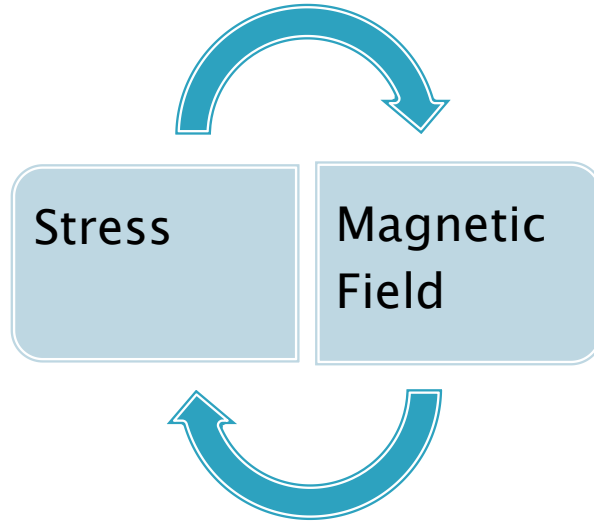
- Underground steel pipes – carrying high pressure fluid or gas – Stress from internal pressure, placement and ground settling produces residual magnetization
- Orientation of pipes with respect to Earth's magnetic field
- Pipe manufacturing process may also cause residual magnetization
- Stress concentration zones and anomalies cause a local change in magnetic permeability – Self Magnetic Flux Leakage (SMFL)
- Metal Magnetic Memory (MMM) – Contact and Non-Contact methods

# Advantages of MMM

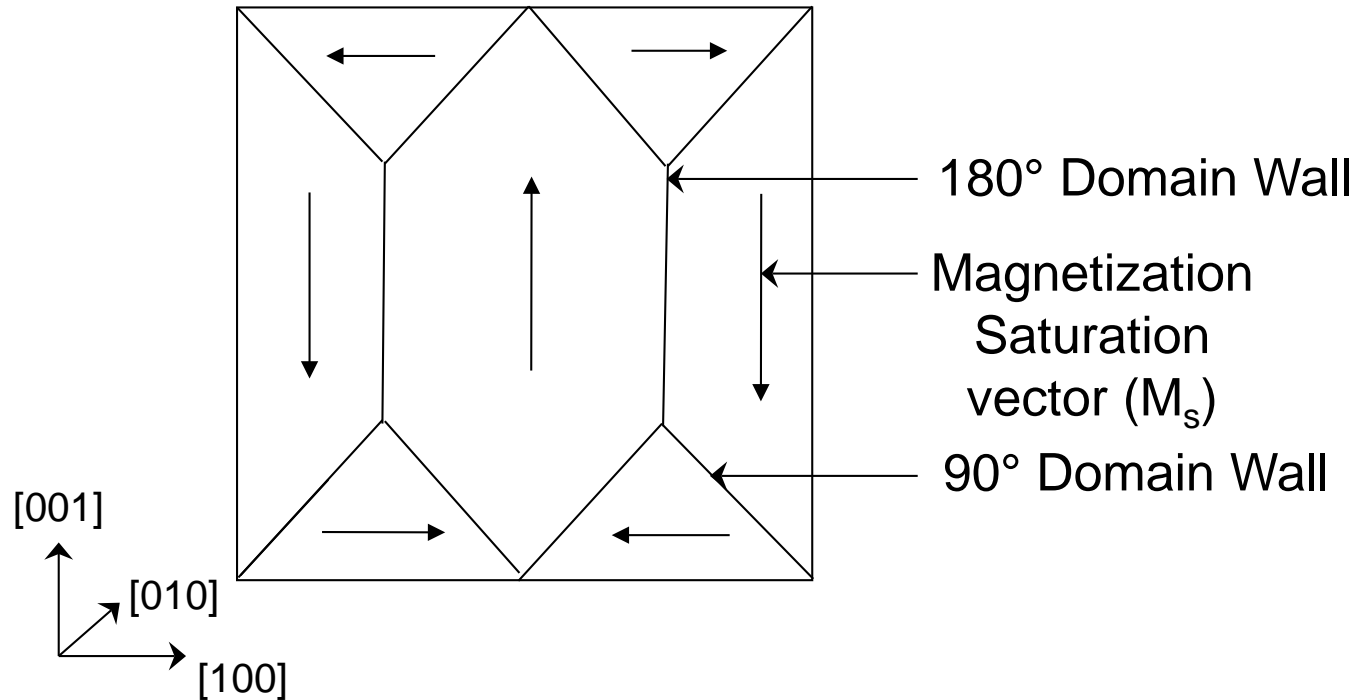
- No external applied magnetic field is required
- Larger detection distance compared to other currently used methods
- Easy to use and time saving process
- Effective in detection of stress induced magnetization in steel pipeline material

# Magnetization due to Stress

Metal Magnetic Memory (MMM): Based on the principle of Inverse Magnetostriction (Piezomagnetic effect or Villari effect)

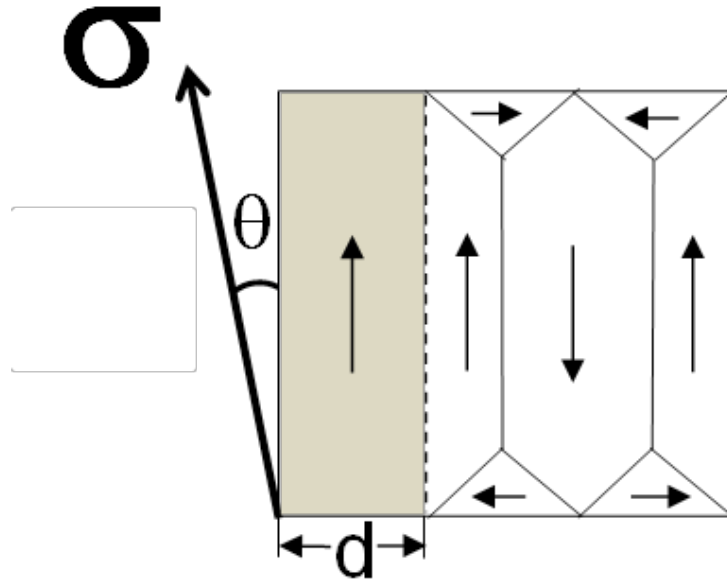


# Magnetic Domains



*T.W. Krause and A. Samimi, "Micromagnetic Techniques", in ASM Handbook Volume 17: Nondestructive Evaluation and Quality Control, 515-530, 2018.*

# Magnetic Domains under Stress



$$E_{\sigma} = \frac{3}{2} \lambda_s \sigma \cos^2 \theta$$

$E_{\sigma}$  – magnetoelastic energy  
 $\theta$  – angle between saturation magnetization of the domain and applied stress ( $\sigma$ )  
 $\lambda_s$  – saturation magnetostrictive constant

*M. Kashefi, T. W. Krause, L. Clapham, P. R. Underhill and A. K. Krause,  
“Stress Induced Self Magnetic Flux Leakage at Stress Concentration Zone”.*



# Materials and Methodology

Sample	Shape	Length(mm)	Width/Outer diameter (mm)	Thickness (mm)
Sample 1	Bar	275	19	3
Sample 2	Bar	560	19	3
Sample 3	Tube	1170	32	1.8

## Sensor used

- ▶ Honeywell 3-Axis (HMC 5883L) anisotropic magnetoresistive (AMR) sensor
- ▶ 4.5 milliGauss (mG) resolution
- ▶  $\pm 8$  Gauss maximum field range



Sample 1

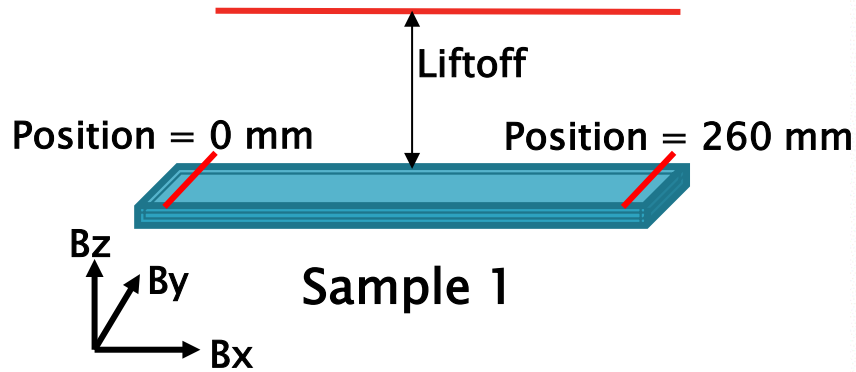


Sample 3



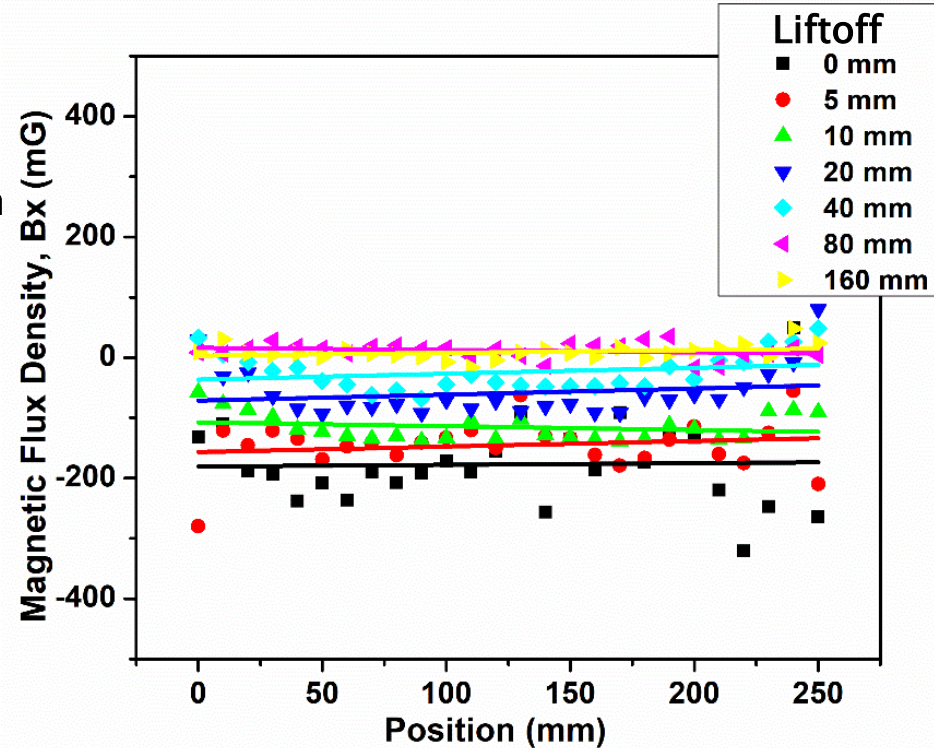
Sample 2

# Sample 1 – Short Bar

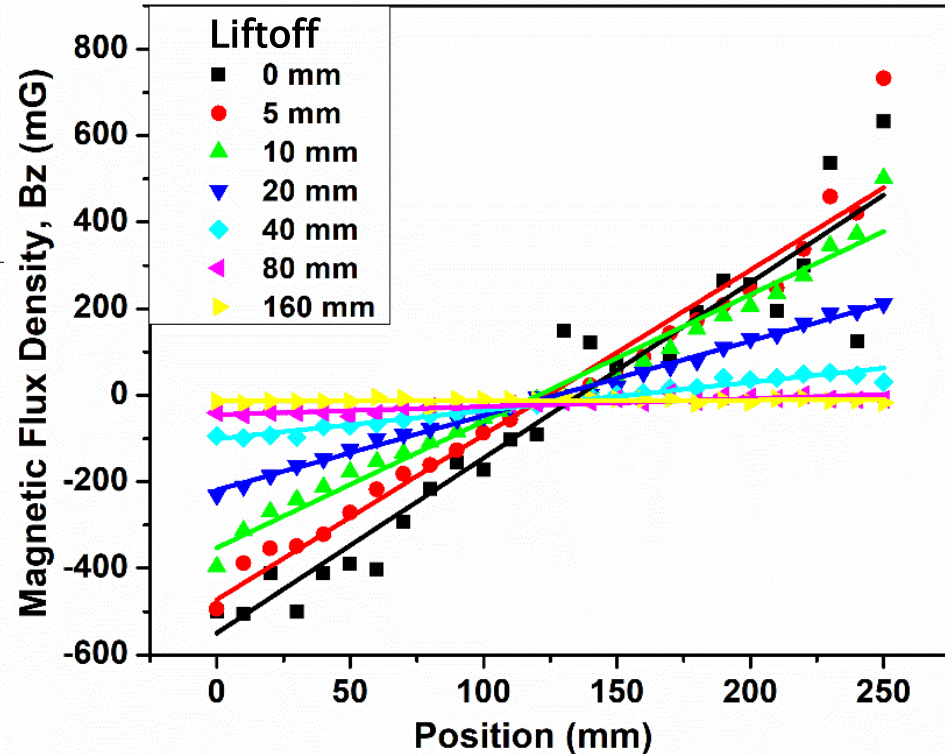
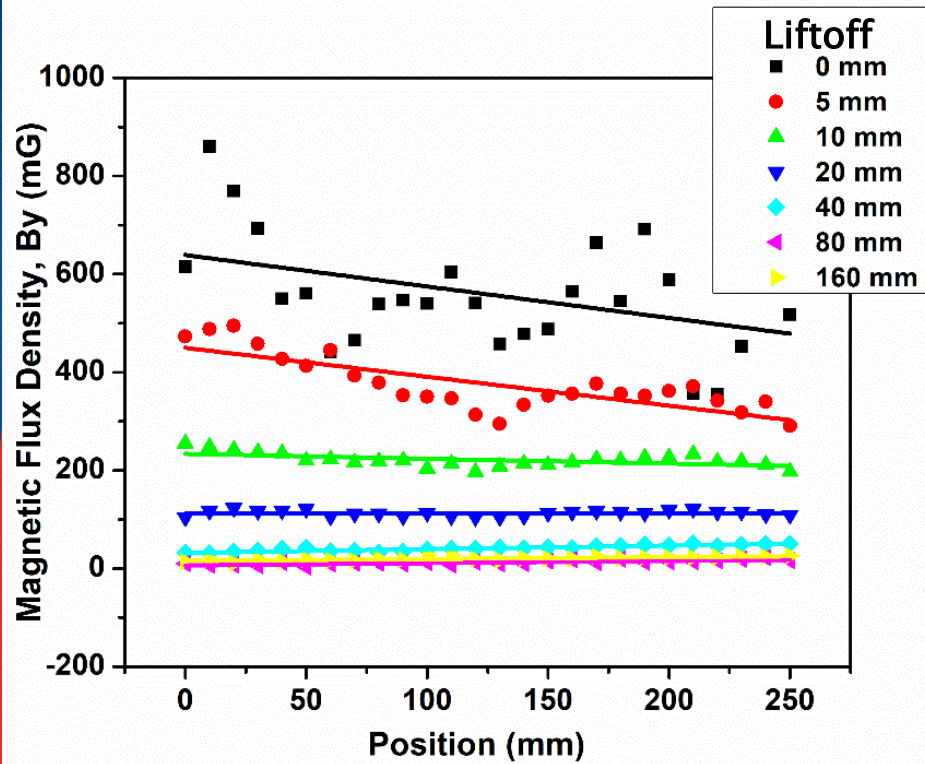


## Sensor

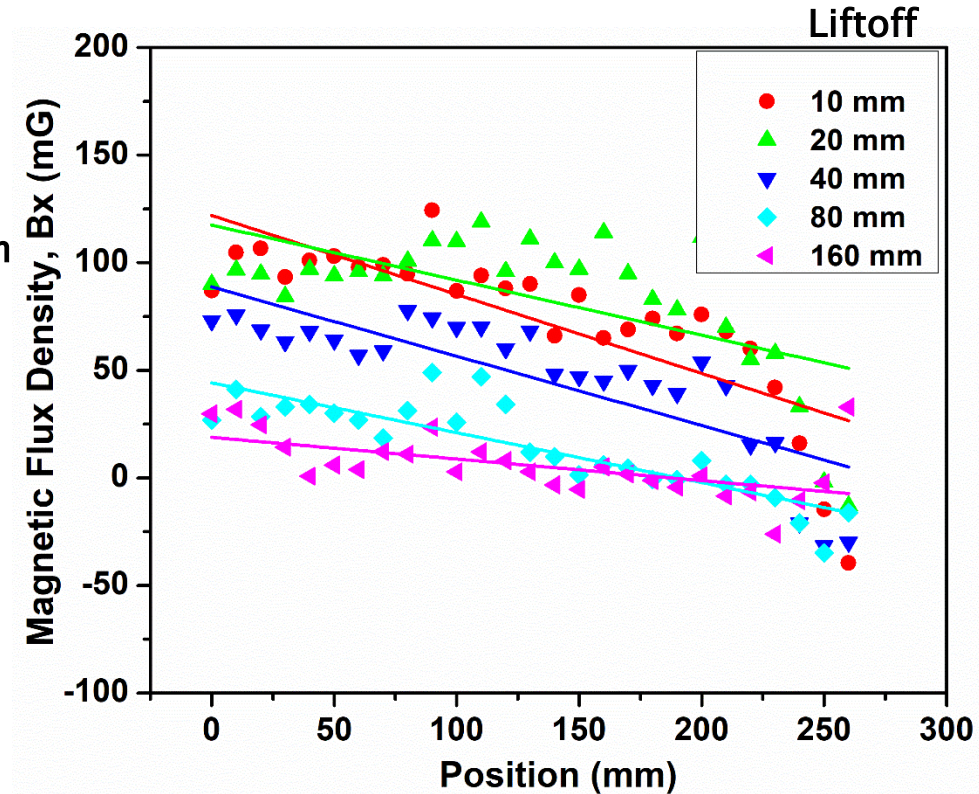
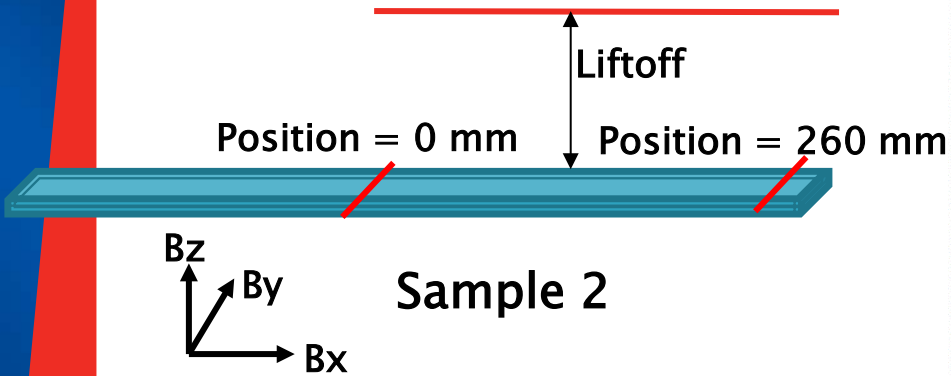
X – along the long edge of the sample  
Y – perpendicular to the paper  
Z – normal to the sample surface



# Sample 1 – Short Bar

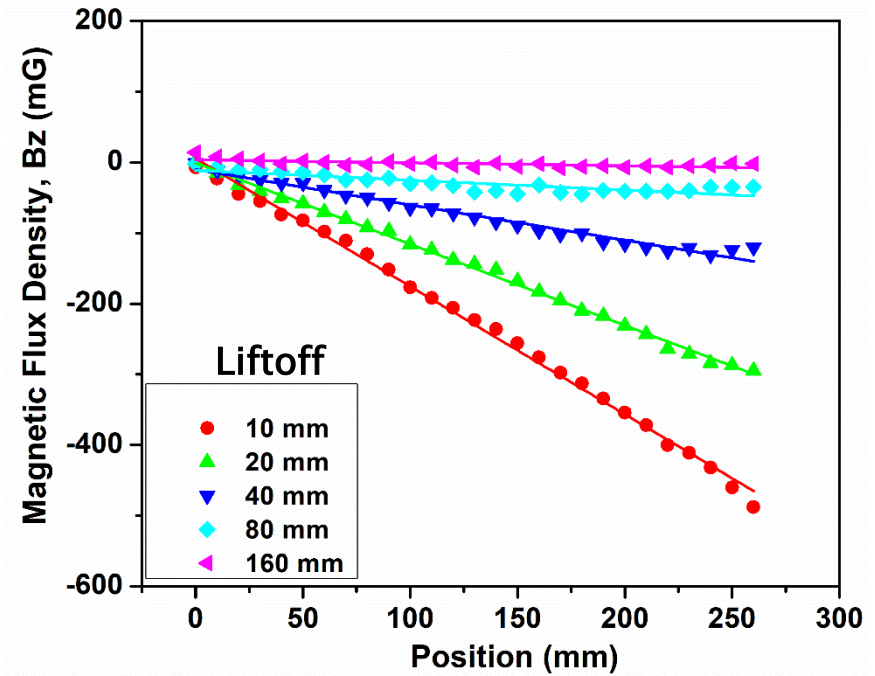
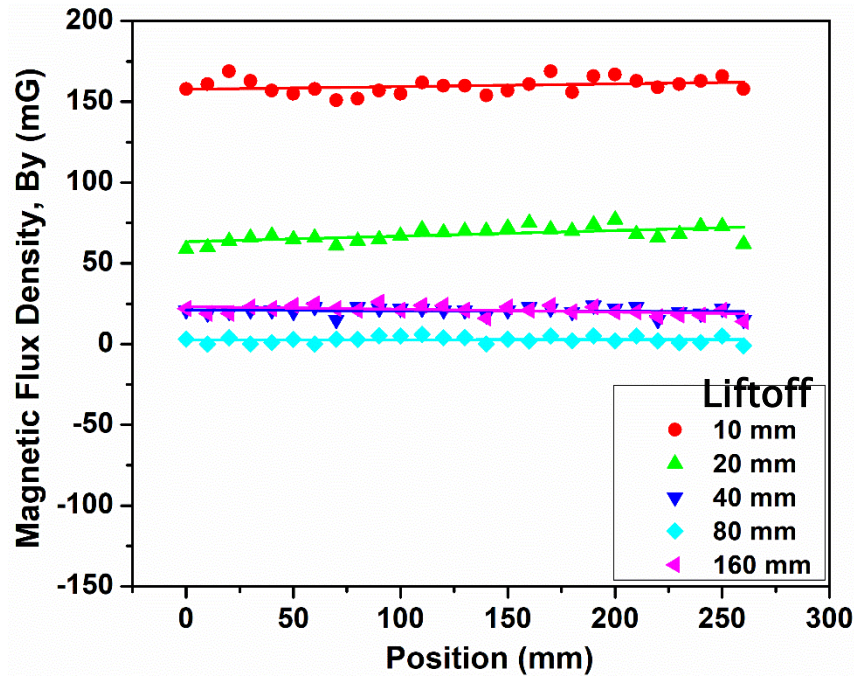


# Sample 2 – Long Bar

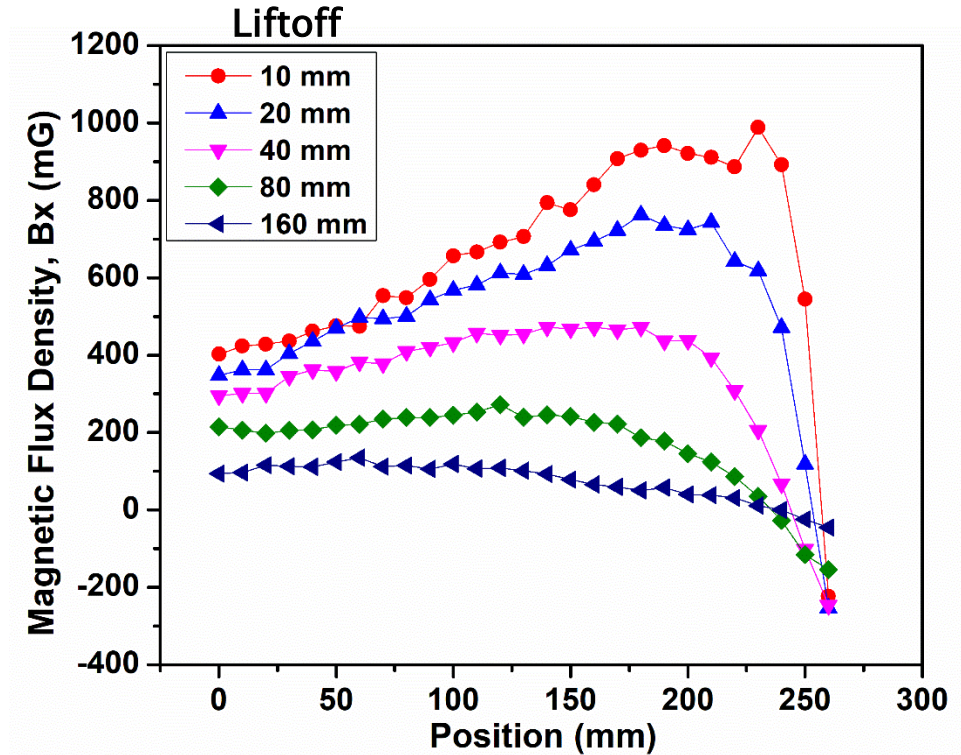
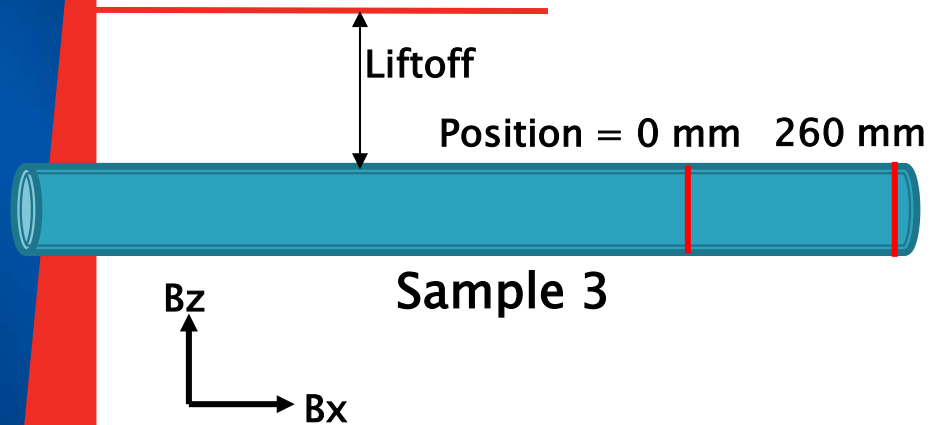




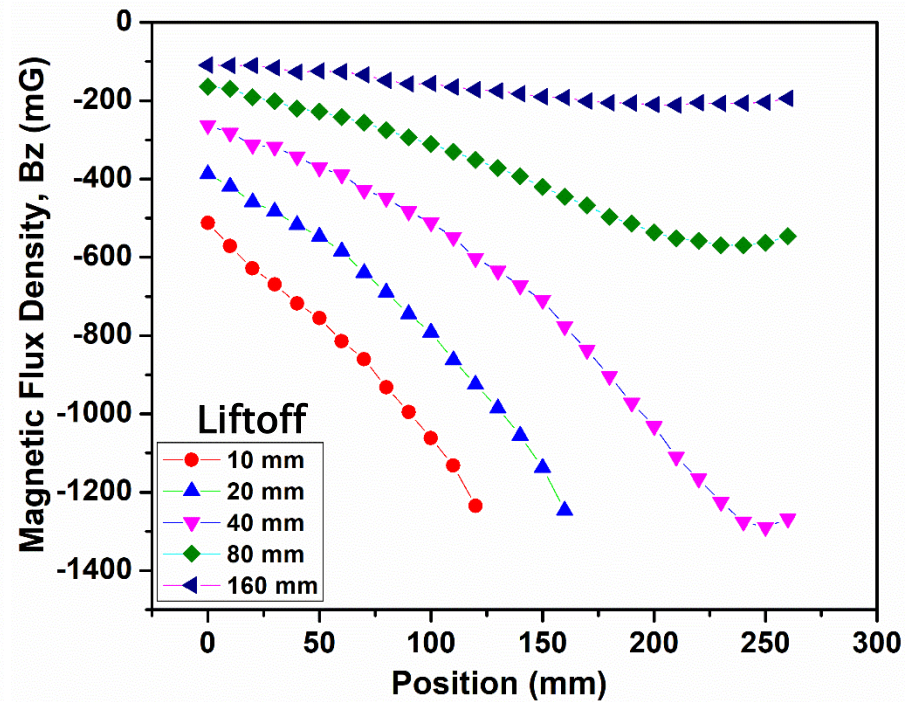
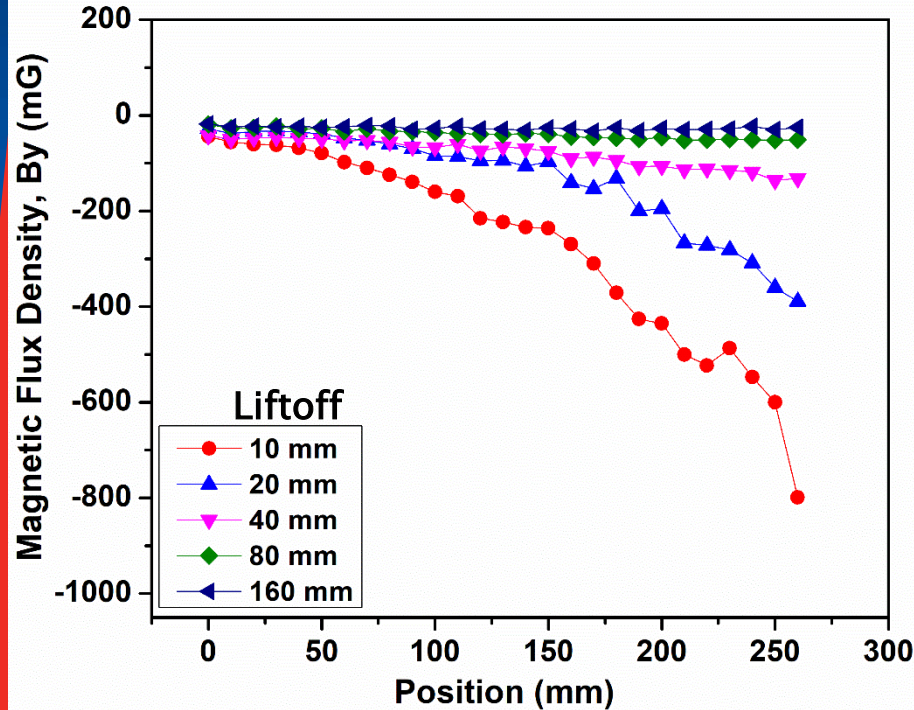
# Sample 2 – Long Bar



# Sample 3 – Tube

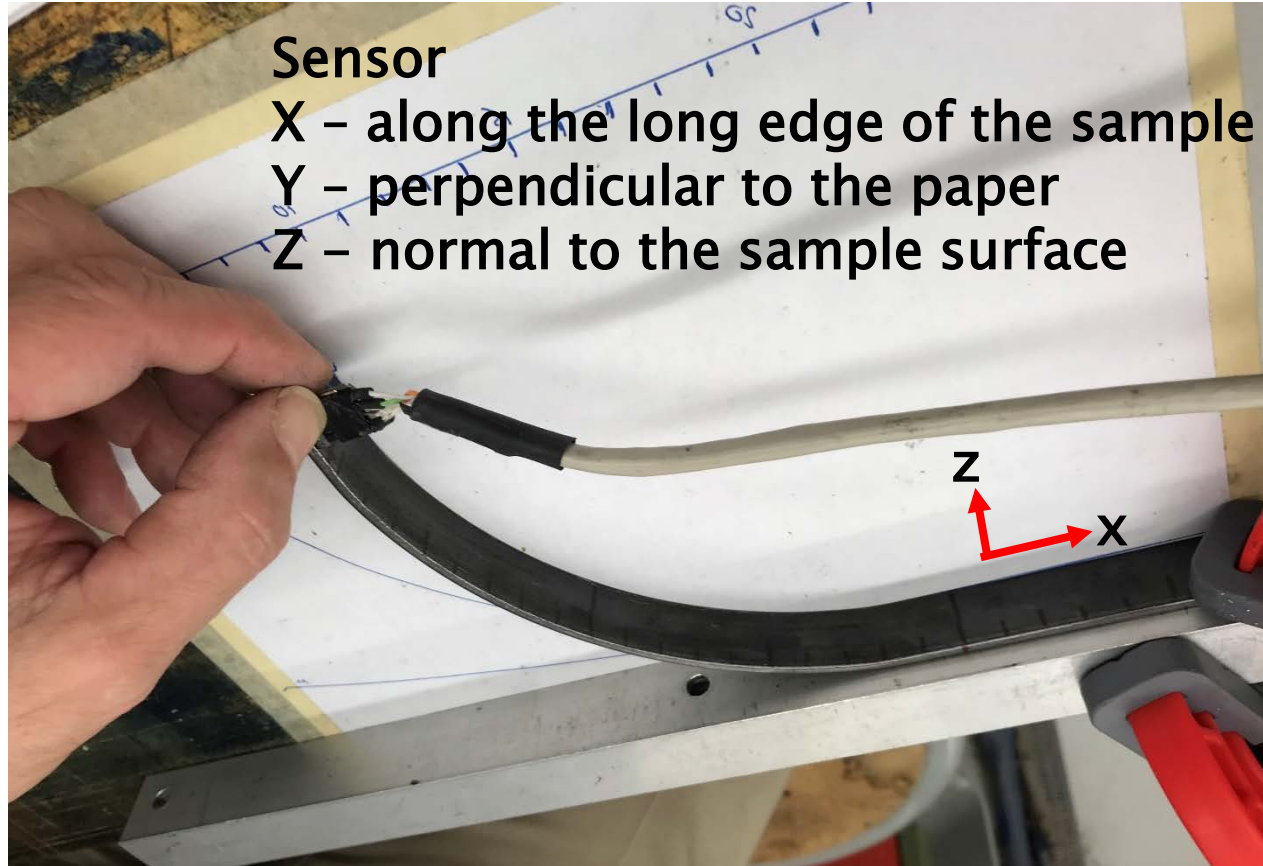


# Sample 3 – Tube



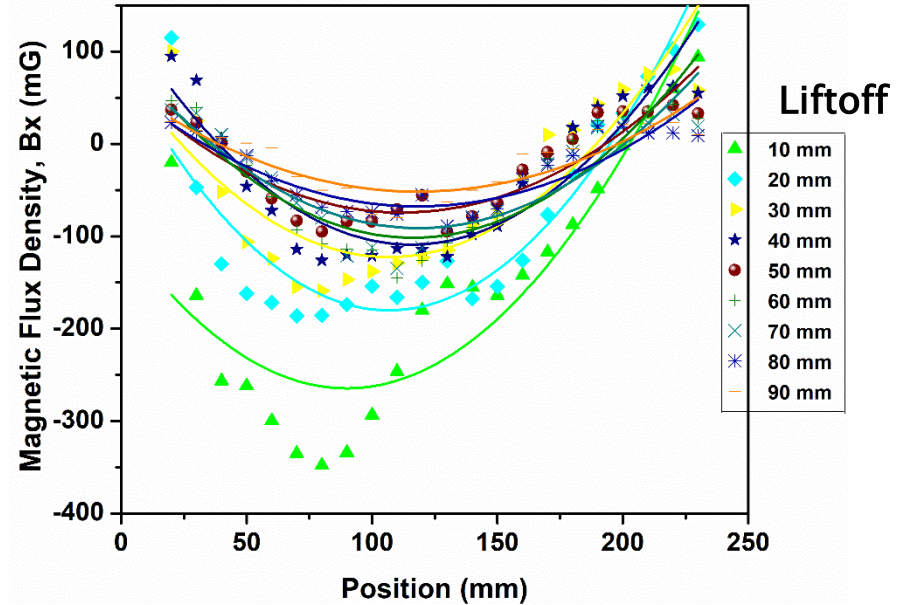
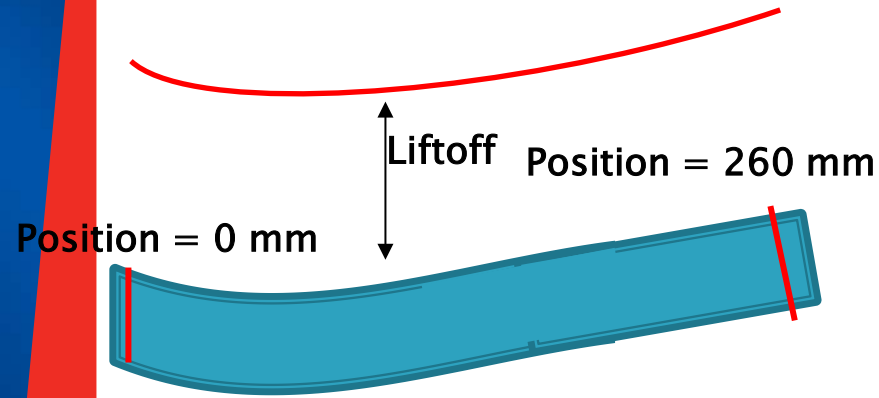


# Bending Stress – Short Bar Sample

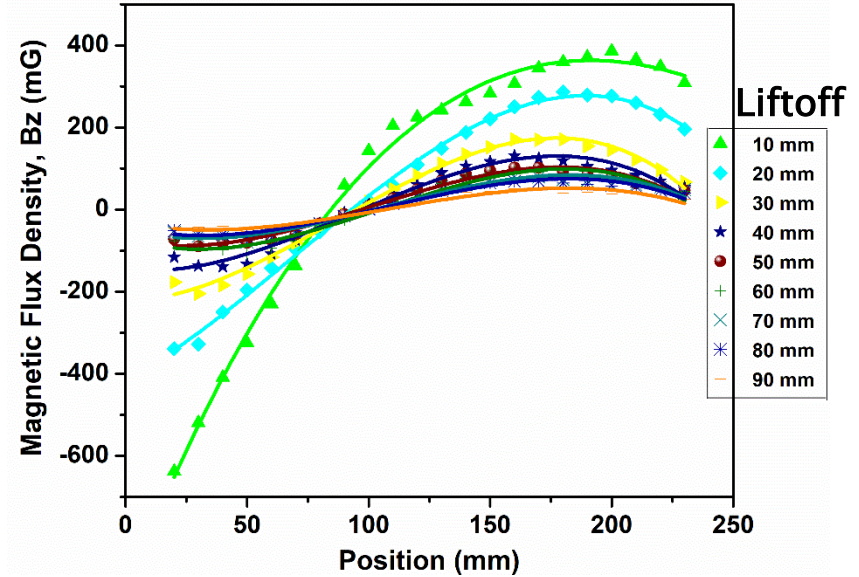
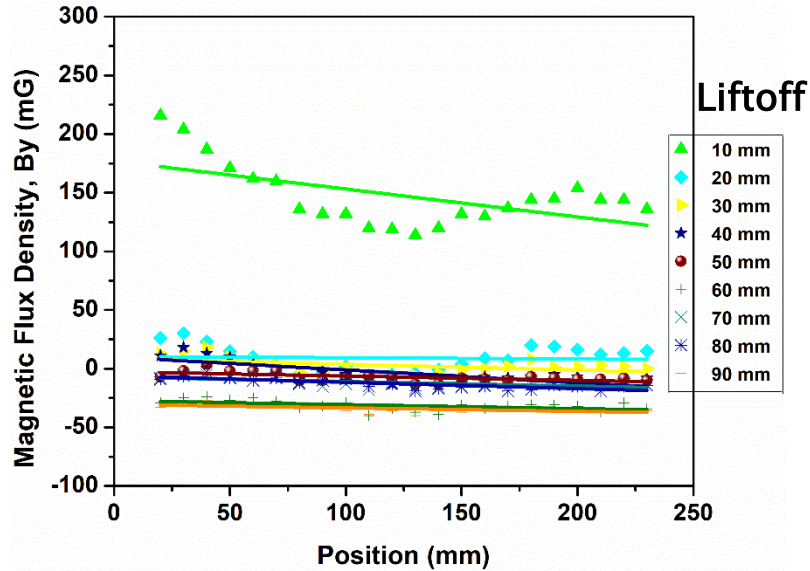




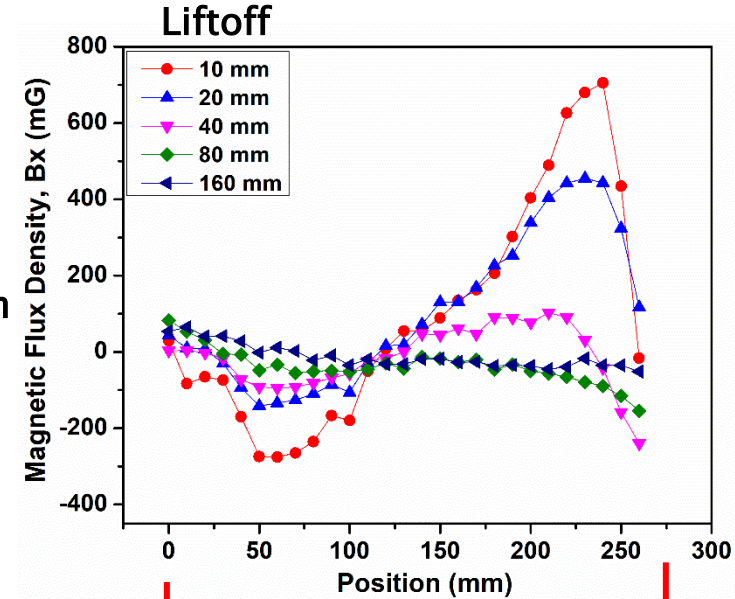
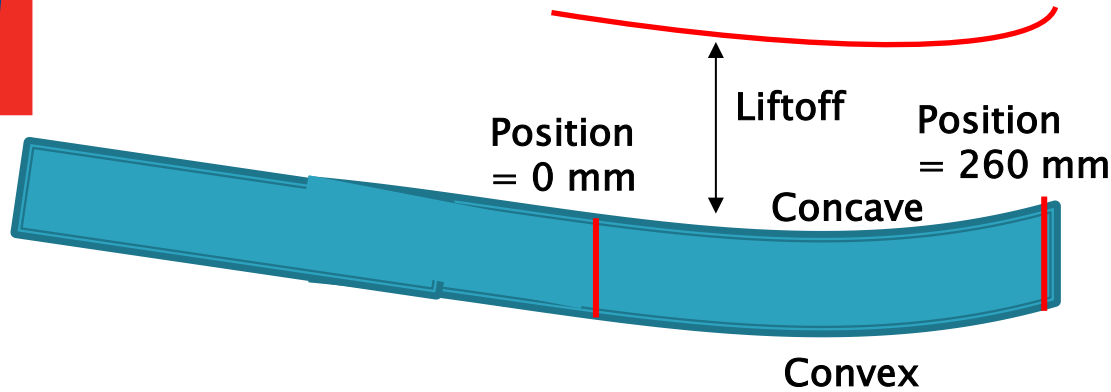
# Bent Short Bar Sample 1



# Bent Short Bar Sample 1

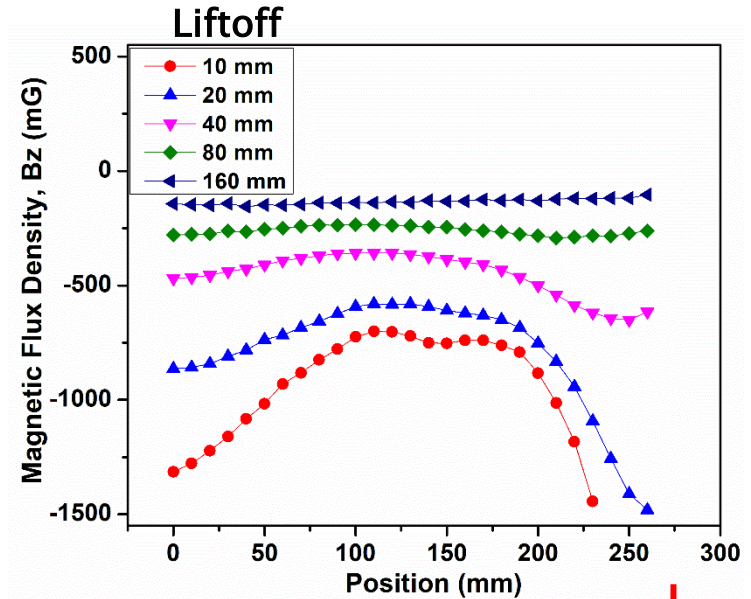
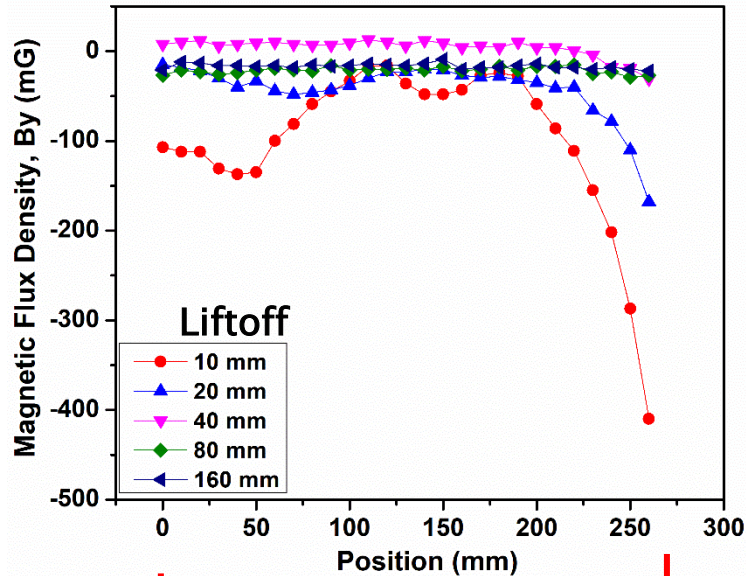


# Bent Tube Sample 3



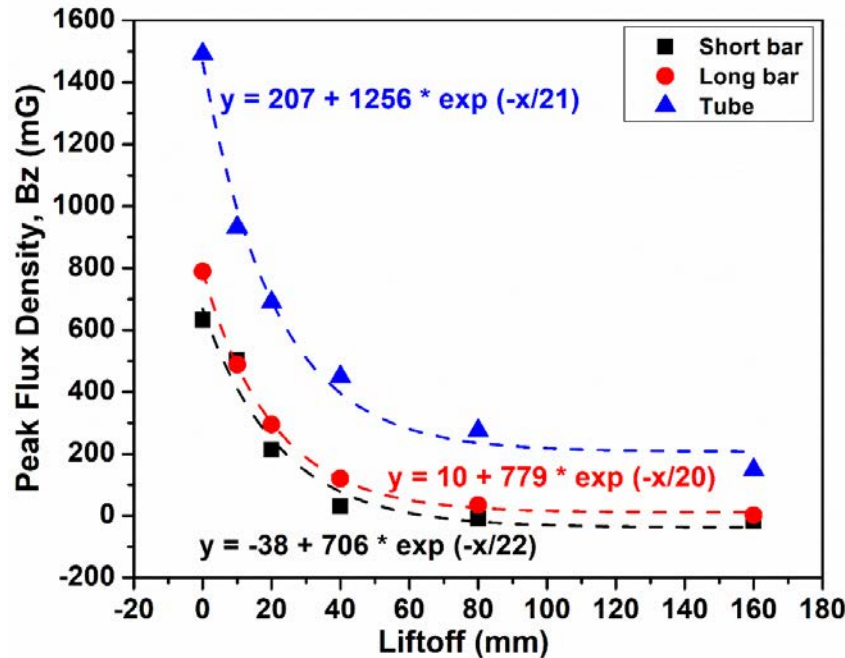


# Bent Tube Sample 3

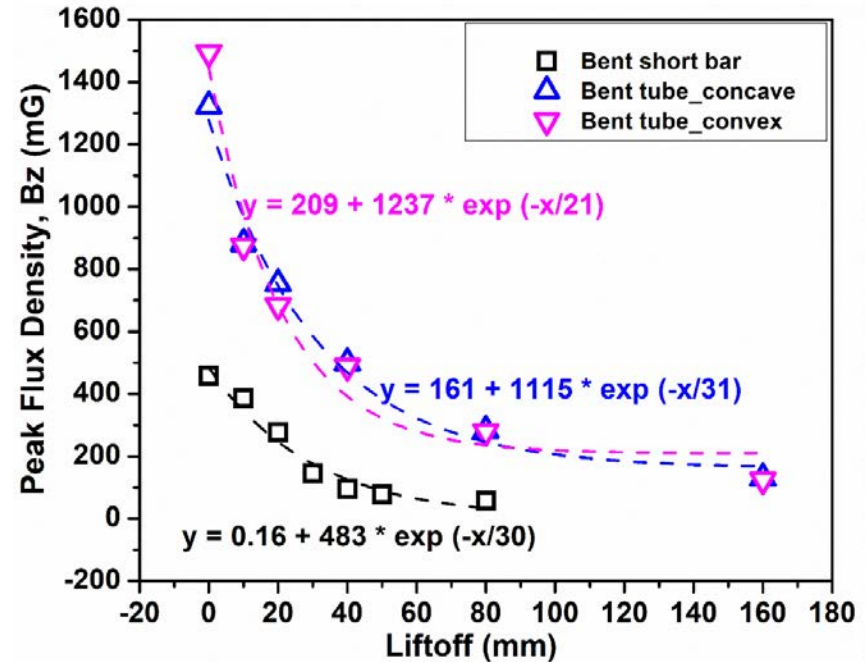


# Effect of Bending

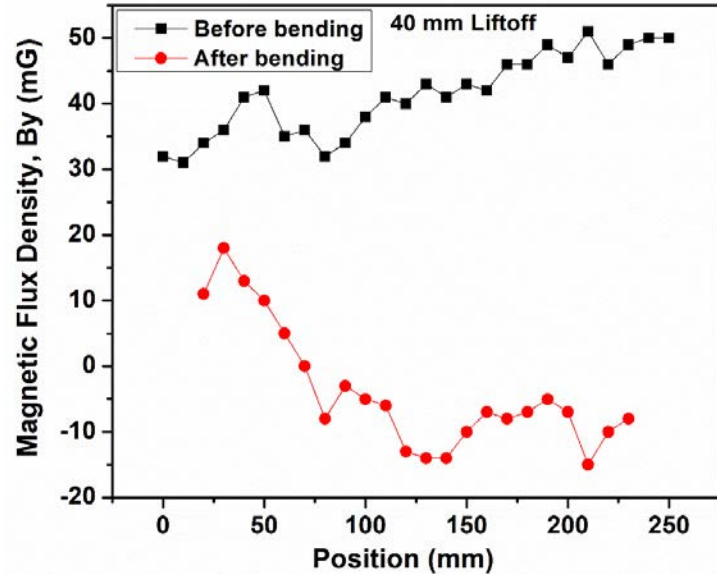
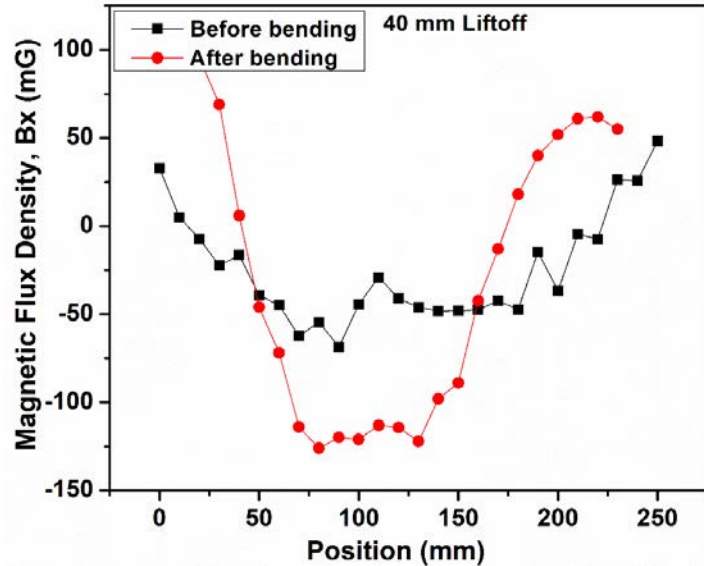
Before bending



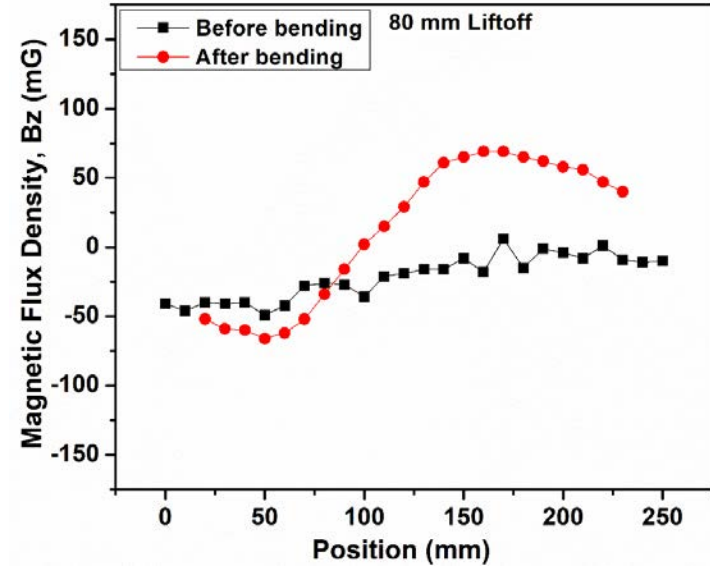
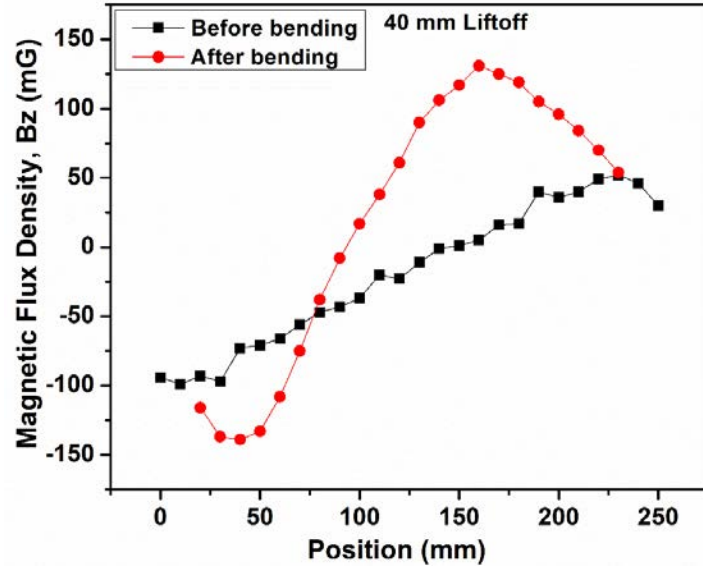
After bending



# Effect of Bending\_Short Bar Sample 1

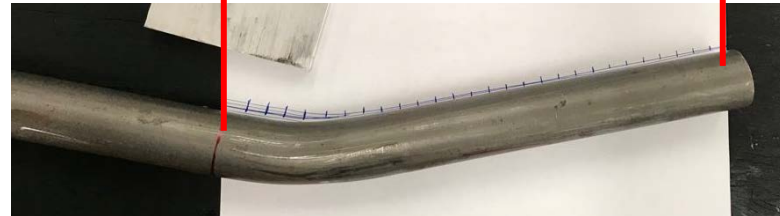
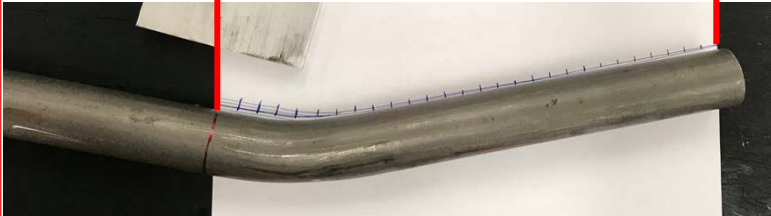
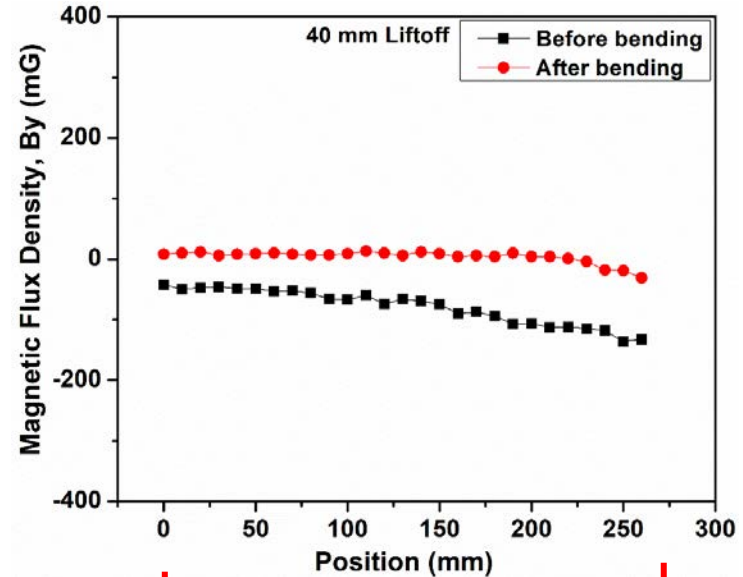
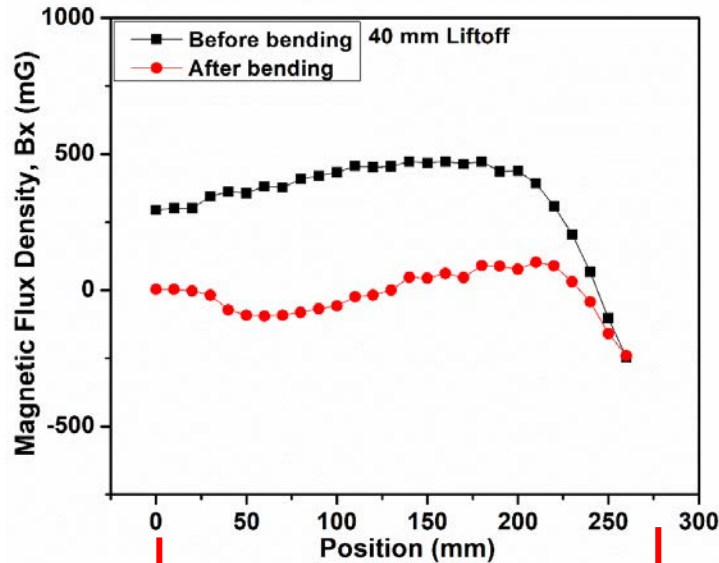


# Effect of Bending\_Short Bar Sample 1



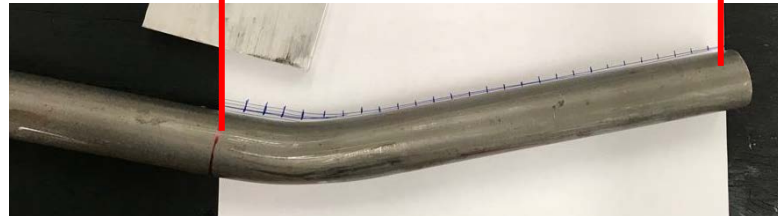
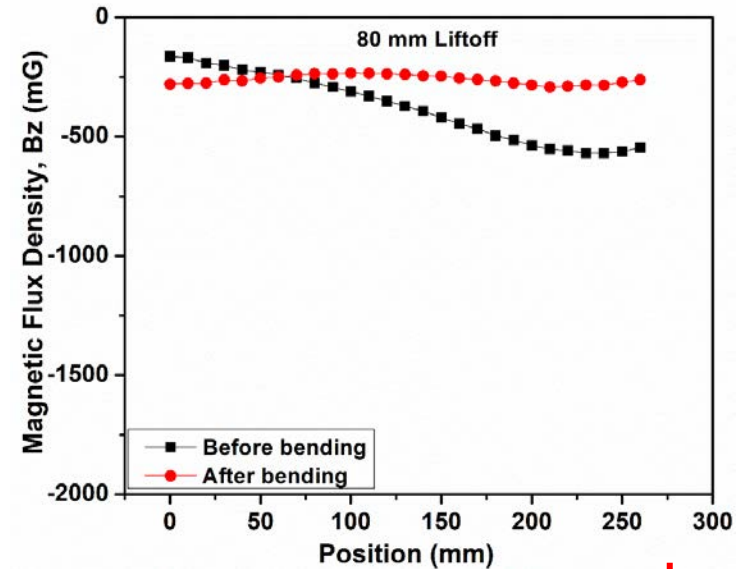
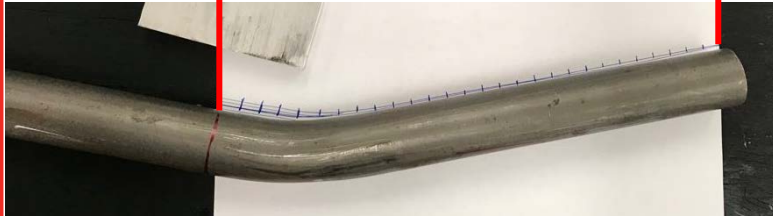
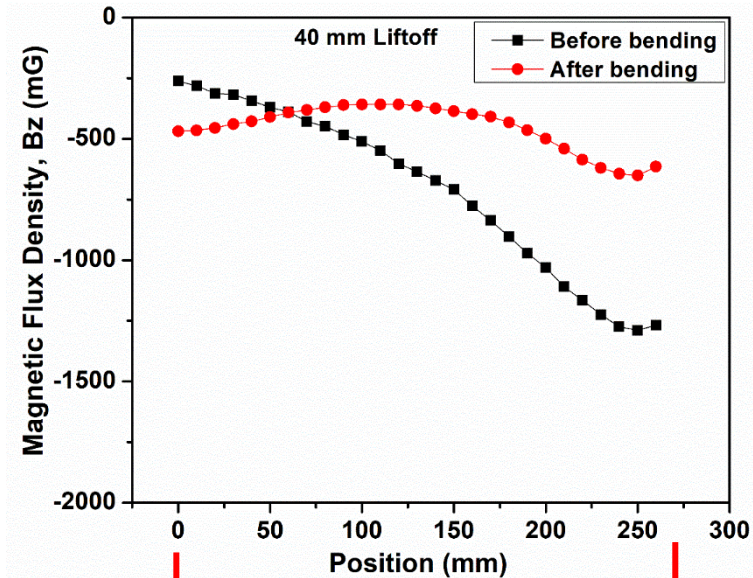


# Effect of Bending\_Tube Sample 3





# Effect of Bending\_Tube Sample 3





# Discussion

- Larger signal from long bar associated with larger dipole
- More material appears to generate larger residual magnetization before and after bending
- Residual stress components in tube are more complex and generate a larger remnant signal
- Results have implications for underground oil and gas pipeline, which is continuous (no end effects), and larger and deeper (scaling effects may be assumed).

# Conclusions

- MMM technology has the potential to be used to characterize pipeline magnetic signature
- Magnetic flux density is affected by residual stress in all three directions
- Bending changes the residual magnetization of the sample, which is most prominent in z-component (normal to the surface) of the field
- The decay constant for unbent bar and tube samples was about 22 mm, whereas it was 30 mm for bent samples.

# Acknowledgements

- Peter Snell for assistance with sample preparation
- Ontario Centres of Excellence
- Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada



# Thank you