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Introduction to Superconductors

- Definition of superconductors
- Properties of superconductors

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	Together, they offer a comprehensive guide to how the power of	
	machine learning could help overcome challenges which have held	
	back the creation of new technologies built with superconducting	University news -
	components. Superconductors are a unique group of lightweight	Al and big data
Definition of superconductors	materials which can generate strong magnetic fields and transfer or	<u>roadmap</u>
	store large amounts of energy. They are also capable of conducting	University of
	electricity with zero resistance, a property which sets them apart	Glasgow
	from all other conductive materials, which lose energy as heat when	
	current flows through them	
	A superconductor is a material that achieves superconductivity,	val et
	which is a state of matter that has no electrical resistance and does	What is a
Definition of superconductors	not allow magnetic fields to penetrate. An electric current in a	superconductor?
	superconductor can persist indefinitely	<u>Live Science</u>
Definition of superconductors	Superconductivity ** arXiv:2305.03404** (cond-mat)	[2305.03404] Charge-Density Waves vs. Superconductivity Some
	The research is still going on to understand and utilise these	
	extraordinary properties of superconductors in various fields of	
	technology. Such properties of superconductors are listed below-	
	Zero Electric Resistance (Infinite Conductivity) Meissner Effect:	<u>Properties of</u>
Properties of superconductors	Expulsion of magnetic field Critical Temperature/Transition	Superconductors
	Temperature Critical Magnetic Field Persistent Currents Josephson	Electrical4U
	Currents Critical Current Zero Electric Resistance or Infinite	
	Conductivity In Superconducting state, the superconducting material	
	shows the zero electric resistance (infinite conductivity)	
	However, if you want to cool huge parts & all the transmission	
	wires within the plant to complete zero, probably you will waste	
	more energy. Properties of Superconductor The superconducting	<u>Superconductor:</u>
Properties of superconductors	materials show some amazing properties which are essential for	Types, Materials,
	current technology. The research on these properties is still going on	Properties and Its
	to recognize and utilize these properties in various fields which are	<u>Applications</u>
	listed below	
	How does superconductivity work? When normally conductive	
	elements and compounds with electromagnetic properties are	What is

Properties of superconductors cooled to low temperatures, they display two important properties of superconductors: they present no resistance to an electric current, and they generate a magnetic field. Thus they enter a superconducting state....

superconductivity? <u>– TechTarget</u> <u>Definition</u>

Types of Superconductors

- Conventional superconductors
- High-temperature superconductors
- Unconventional superconductors

Search Term	Relevant Excerpt	Citation Source
Conventional superconductors	This is in contrast to unconventional superconductors, which do not. Conventional superconductors can be either type-I or type-II. Most elemental superconductors are conventional. Niobium and vanadium are type-II, while most other elemental superconductors are type-I. Critical temperatures of some elemental superconductors: Element T c (K) Al	Conventional superconductor - Wikipedia
Conventional superconductors	This is in contrast to unconventional superconductors, which do not. Conventional superconductors can be	<u>Conventional</u>
	either type-I or type-II. Most elemental superconductors are conventional	superconductor - Wikipedia
Conventional superconductors	The mechanism and physical basis for this change in state is not, at present, fully understood. Type 2 superconductors are typically metallic compounds and alloys. Discovery of the Superconductor Superconductivity was first discovered in 1911 when mercury was cooled to approximately 4 degrees Kelvin by Dutch physicist Heike Kamerlingh Onnes, which earned him the 1913 Nobel Prize in physics	Superconductor Definition, Types, and Uses
High-temperature superconductors	In 1986, scientists discovered a new class of copper- oxide materials that exhibited superconductivity, but at much higher temperatures than the metals and metal alloys from earlier in the century. These materials are known as high-temperature superconductors. While they still must be cooled, they are superconducting at much warmer temperatures-some of them at temperatures above liquid nitrogen (-321 degrees F)	DOE ExplainsSuperconductivity Department of Energy
High-temperature superconductors	This discovery held the promise of revolutionary new technologies. It also suggested that scientists may be able to find materials that are superconducting at relatively high temperatures. Since then, many new high-temperature superconducting materials have been discovered using educated guesses combined with trial-and-error experiments, including a class of iron-based materials	DOE ExplainsSuperconductivity Department of Energy
	In the case of cuprates and iron compounds, technical difficulties such as getting the right ratios of particular elements of particular elements during the synthesis of	

High-temperature superconductors	crystals of these novel superconducting materials present hurdles, both in time and efficacy. Currently, huge strides are being made to physically determine and actualize superconductors at even higher temperatures. Many elements and compounds like cuprates, graphene, metallic hydrogen, hydrates and hydrides are being tested for higher-temperature superconductivity	Superconductivity: Past, Present and Future - ICJS - International
	Unconventional superconductivity refers to superconductors where the Cooper pairs are not bound together by phonon exchange but instead by exchange of some other kind, e.g. spin fluctuations in a	Unconventional
Unconventional superconductors	superconductor with magnetic order either coexistent or nearby in the phase diagram. Such unconventional superconductivity has been known experimentally since heavy fermion CeCu 2 Si 2, with its strongly correlated 4f electrons, was discovered to superconduct below 0.6 K in 1979	superconductivity - NASA/ADS
	Title:Unconventional Superconductivity Authors:G. R. Stewart Download a PDF of the paper titled Unconventional Superconductivity, by G. R. Stewart Download PDF > Abstract: Conventional superconductivity, as used in this review, refers to > electron-phonon coupled superconducting electron- pairs described by BCS > theory. Unconventional	
Unconventional superconductors	superconductivity refers to superconductors where the > Cooper pairs are not bound together by phonon exchange but instead by > exchange of some other kind, e. g. spin fluctuations in a superconductor > with magnetic order either coexistent or nearby in the phase diagram. Such > unconventional superconductivity has been known experimentally since heavy > fermion CeCu2Si2, with its strongly correlated 4f electrons, was discovered > to superconduct below 0.6 K in 1979	Unconventional Superconductivity
Unconventional superconductors	(Good explanations of superconductivity and the latest news about room temperature superconductors and other advances in the field). Superconducting Magnets. Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia	Superconductive magnet design - Questions and Answers in MRI

Current State of Superconductors

- Breakthroughs in superconductivity research
- Recent advancements in superconductors

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	After they observed a cuprate superconducting	
	at 30 kelvins, researchers soon found others that	
	superconduct above 100, and then above 130	<u>High-Temperature</u>
Breakthroughs in superconductivity research	kelvins. The breakthrough launched a widespread	Superconductivity
, ,	effort to understand the tougher glue responsible	<u>Understood at</u>
	for this "high-temperature" superconductivity.	Last Quanta
	Perhaps electrons bunched together to create	
	patchy, rippling concentrations of charge	
	(Ginsberg, 2018; OpenStax College 'High-	
	temperature Superconductors' n.d.) Despite the	
	complicated science, investigations of	Superconductivity:
Breakthroughs in superconductivity research	superconductivity has gained traction. The	Past, Present and
breakenroughs in superconductivity research	discovery of the Meissner effect, which explores	Future - ICJS -
	the magnetic properties of superconductors, by	International
	Walther Meissner and Robert Oschenfield sparked	
	more interest in superconductivity	
	Researchers are now trying to find and develop	
	superconductors that work at higher	
	temperatures, which would revolutionize energy	What is a
Breakthroughs in superconductivity research	transport and storage. Who discovered	superconductor?
	superconductivity? The credit for the discovery of	<u>Live Science</u>
	superconductivity goes to Dutch physicist Heike	
	Kamerlingh Onnes	
	Superconductors have a wide variety of	
	everyday applications, from MRI machines to	
	super-fast maglev trains that use magnets to	
	levitate the trains off the track to reduce friction.	What is a
Recent advancements in superconductors	Researchers are now trying to find and develop	superconductor?
	superconductors that work at higher	<u>Live Science</u>
	temperatures, which would revolutionize energy	
	transport and storage. Who discovered	
	superconductivity?	
	A team of South Korean researchers say the	<u>LK-99</u>
	science fiction fantasy is closer to reality than	superconductor
	ever before with what they claim is a	<u>research</u>
Recent advancements in superconductors	revolutionary breakthrough in superconductors.	<u>breakthrough</u>
	The researchers published their findings July 22 -	could mark 'new
	immediately sending the close-knit scientific	ега
	community into a viral lather	

Recent advancements in superconductors

absence of any kind of resistance to the flow of electrons whatsoever. Since the discovery of superconductivity, research has identified many materials that can be turned into superconductors. However, the transition

temperature varies for each material....

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Applications of Superconductors

- <u>Superconducting Power Transmission</u>
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
- Quantum Computing
- Particle Accelerators

Superconducting Power Transmission

- Advantages of superconducting power transmission
- Superconducting power cables

Search Term	Relevant Excerpt	Citation Sourc	
	Superconducting transmission lines are		
	difficult to implement since it often costs		
	more to fund and maintain the lines that		
	the power companies lose in electrical		
Advantage of an artist of the second and the second	losses in conventional lines. However, in	<u>Superconducting</u>	
Advantages of superconducting power transmission	the right settings the energy saved	Power	
	presents one possible advantage to using	<u>Transmission</u>	
	superconducting lines rather than the		
	traditional transmission lines. (c) 2010		
	Matthew Yankowitz		
	For a standard 3-phase single-core cable		
	run at 132kV full load, the total losses in a		
	conventional transmission cable is		
	estimated to be on the order of 30 to 40		
	W/m for each wire [3]. Superconducting		
	Transmission Cables The obvious advantage	Superconducting	
Advantages of superconducting power transmission	of superconducting transmission lines is	<u>Power</u>	
	they have no resistive losses in the bulk. If	<u>Transmission</u>	
	superconducting transmission lines had no		
	other sources of power dissipation, the		
	choice between types of transmission lines		
	would be easy		
	Many materials, both single elements and		
	compound elements, have demonstrated		
	high temperature superconductivity. This	What is	
	makes it easier and more cost-effective to	superconductivity	
Advantages of superconducting power transmission	employ superconductors in a variety of	TechTarget	
	applications. A popular example of	Definition	
	superconductivity is a cube or ball of metal		
	floating above a superconductor		
	Superconducting power cables will make		

	large amount of electric power in a very compact cable design	
	SuperLink Superconducting power cables enable power-dense transmission carrying a	longest
Superconducting power cables	construction work at a minimum. Facts:	the world's
	Munich using existing ducts to keep the	the prototype for
	installed between two substations in	NKT is developing
	power rating of 500 MW and will be	
	The SuperLink is expected to have a	
	transforming urban power	
	market-proven superconducting cables are	
	candidate for congested urban grids. Our	
	very small space, making them the perfect	- Nexans
Superconducting power cables	transmit massive amounts of electricity in a	Superconductivity
	Superconducting cables make it possible to	
	boost urban power supplies is a priority.	
	electricity demand, so finding ways to	
	Cities will see the biggest increase in	
	construction work at a minimum	
	Munich using existing ducts to keep the	
	installed between two substations in	
	power rating of 500 MW and will be	
	ratio. The SuperLink is expected to have a	
	urban areas due to the high power-to-size	
	of the transition to renewable energy in	longest
Superconducting power cables	technology and can become a key enabler	the world's
	compact compared to conventional cable	the prototype for
	superconducting power cables is extremely	NKT is developing
	Technology Officer in NKT. The	
	the city, says Anders Jensen, Chief	

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

- Benefits of superconducting MRI systems
- Superconducting magnets in MRI

Search Term	Relevant Excerpt	Citation Source
	Site preparation can frequently run into	
	several \$100,000s including room	
	radiofrequency (RF) shielding, possible	
	magnetic shielding, floor reinforcement,	
	vibration mitigation and a very reliable	
	uninterruptible power supply (UPS).	Magnets (types) Radiology
Benefits of superconducting MRI systems	Superconducting magnets at 1.5 T and above	Reference Article
	allow functional brain imaging, MR	Radiopaedia.org
	spectroscopy and superior SNR and/or	
	improved time and spatial resolution.	
	Magnets above 1.5 T have additional	
	challenges from RF heating of the subject, and	
	increased artifacts from susceptibility and RF	
	penetration among others	
	These devices are used in medical facilities	
	to make images of organs and structures	
	inside the body. <mark>Most MRIs generate a strong</mark>	
	magnetic field using superconductors, which	Superconductors Enable
Benefits of superconducting MRI systems	allow for the highest-quality imaging. By using	Lower Cost MRI Systems
	MgB2 superconducting wire for MRI	NASA Spinoff
	background coils, the company hopes to help	
	MRI producers drive down the cost of MRIs	
	That pressure is equivalent to the interior of	
	giant planets like Jupiter, which makes it	
	impractical for everyday applications. Room-	
Donafita of superconducting MDT systems	temperature superconductors would allow for	What is a superconductor?
Benefits of superconducting MRI systems	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	What is a superconductor? Live Science
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Superconducting magnets in MRI	temperature superconductors would allow for the electrical transmission of energy with no losses or waste, more efficient maglev trains, and cheaper and more ubiquitous use of MRI technology Essentially, any time you need a really strong magnetic field or electric current and don't want your equipment to melt the moment you turn it on, you need a superconductor. Superconductors allow the powerful electromagnets in MRI machines to	
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	said Alexey Bezryadin, a condensed matter	
	physicist at the University of Illinois at Urbana-	
	Champaign	
	They are also capable of conducting	
	electricity with zero resistance, a property	
	which sets them apart from all other	
	conductive materials, which lose energy as	
	heat when current flows through them.	
	Superconductors are currently used in	University news - AI and big
Superconducting magnets in MRI	magnetic resonance imaging, or MRI, which	data roadmap University
	has enabled major advances in medical and	<u>of Glasgow</u>
	cancer diagnostics by creating detailed scans	
	of the body. They have also underpinned	
	promising advancements in particle	
	accelerators, high-performance computing,	
	energy storage and more	
	Technologically, wires opened whole new	
	uses for superconductors, including wound	
	coils to create powerful magnets. <mark>In the</mark>	
	1970s, scientists used superconducting	
	magnets to generate the high magnetic fields	DOE
Superconducting magnets in MRI	needed for the development of magnetic	ExplainsSuperconductivity
	resonance imaging (MRI) machines. More	Department of Energy
	recently, scientists introduced	
	superconducting magnets to guide electron	
	beams in synchrotrons and accelerators at	
	scientific user facilities	

Quantum Computing

- Superconducting quantum processors
- Superconducting qubits

Search Term	Relevant Excerpt	Citation Source	
	We > also entangle up to 12 qubits in a GHZ state		
	with \$55.8 \pm 1.8\%\$ fidelity, > which is above the		
	genuine multipartite entanglement threshold of 1/2.	Low-loss interconnects fo	
Superconducting quantum processors	These > results represent a viable modular approach	modular superconducting	
	for large-scale superconducting > quantum	<u>quantum</u>	
	processors. Subjects: Quantum Physics (quant-ph) \-		
	Cite as: arXiv:2302.02751		
	Title:Superconducting Quantum Computing: A		
	Review Authors:He-Liang Huang, Dachao Wu, Daojin		
	Fan, Xiaobo Zhu Download a PDF of the paper titled		
	Superconducting Quantum Computing: A Review, by		
	He-Liang Huang and 3 other authors Download PDF >		
	Abstract: Over the last two decades, tremendous		
	advances have been made for > constructing large-		
	scale quantum computers. In particular, the quantum		
	> processor architecture based on superconducting		
Superconducting quantum processors	qubits has become the > leading candidate for	Superconducting Quantur	
	scalable quantum computing platform, and the	Computing: A Review	
	milestone > of demonstrating quantum supremacy		
	was first achieved using 53 > superconducting qubits		
	in 2019. In this work, we provide a brief review on >		
	the experimental efforts towards building a large-		
	scale superconducting > quantum computer,		
	including qubit design, quantum control, readout >		
	techniques, and the implementations of error		
	correction and quantum > algorithms		
	Superconductors allow the powerful		
	electromagnets in MRI machines to work without		
	melting the machine. (Image credit: Getty Images/		
	Thomas Barwick) "One of the most interesting		
	applications of superconductors is for quantum	What is a superconductor	
Superconducting quantum processors	computers," said Alexey Bezryadin, a condensed	Live Science	
	matter physicist at the University of Illinois at		
	Urbana-Champaign. Because of the unique		
	properties of electrical currents in superconductors,		
	they can be used to construct quantum computers		
	"For example, the current in a superconducting		
	loop can flow clockwise and counterclockwise at the	and the second second	
Superconducting qubits	same time. Such a state constitutes an example of a	What is a superconductor	
	superconducting qubit. " What's the latest in	<u>Live Science</u>	
	superconductor research?		

	(Image credit: Getty Images/ Thomas Barwick)	
	"One of the most interesting applications of	
	superconductors is for quantum computers," said	
	Alexey Bezryadin, a condensed matter physicist at	What is a superconductor?
Superconducting qubits	the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.	
	Because of the unique properties of electrical	<u>Live Science</u>
	currents in superconductors, they can be used to	
	construct quantum computers. "Such computers are	
	composed of quantum bits or qubits	
	These materials also expel magnetic fields as they	
	transition to the superconducting state.	
	Superconductivity is one of nature's most intriguing	<u>DOE</u>
Superconducting qubits	quantum phenomena. It was discovered more than	ExplainsSuperconductivity
	100 years ago in mercury cooled to the temperature	Department of Energy
	of liquid helium (about -452 degrees F, only a few	
	degrees above absolute zero)	

Particle Accelerators

- Advancements in superconducting accelerator technology
- Superconducting magnets in particle accelerators

Search Term	Relevant Excerpt	Citation Source
	Researchers in biology,	
	chemistry and physics will	
	use LCLS-II to probe	
	fundamental pieces of	
	matter, creating 3-D	
	movies of complex	
	molecules in action,	
	making LCLS-II a powerful,	
	versatile instrument at the	
	forefront of discovery.	
	The project is coming	
	together thanks largely to	A million pulses per second
dvancements in superconducting accelerator technology	a crucial advance in the	How particle accelerators
	fields of particle and	are powering
	nuclear physics:	
	superconducting	
	accelerator technology.	
	DOE's Fermilab and	
	Thomas Jefferson	
	National Accelerator	
	Facility are building the	
	superconducting modules	
	necessary for the	
	accelerator upgrade for	
	LCLS-II	
	However, widespread	
	use of accelerators is	
	limited by their cost, size,	
	and dependence on	
	complex support systems.	
	Scientists are overcoming	New Prototype Advances
dvancements in superconducting accelerator technology	these limitations with new	Particle Accelerators for
	advances in accelerator	Industry and
	technology. These	
	advances include new	
	approaches to SRF	
	design	
	This deeper	
	understanding will pave	
	the way for scientists to	
	create better drugs.	
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Advancements in superconducting accelerator technology	Scientists also intend to use LCLS-II to research superconductors, bringing the machine's use of accelerator technology full circle. Current superconductors are limited by their need for specific, low temperatures	A million pulses per second: How particle accelerators are powering
Superconducting magnets in particle accelerators	and energy-efficient rapid cycling magnets for particle accelerators are critical for particle physics research. Their performance determines how frequently a circular particle accelerator can receive a bunch of particles, propel them to higher energy, send them to an experiment or target station, and then repeat all over again	Particle accelerator magnet sets record using high-temperature
Superconducting magnets in particle accelerators	In the 1970s, scientists used superconducting magnets to generate the high magnetic fields needed for the development of magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) machines. More recently, scientists introduced superconducting magnets to guide electron beams in synchrotrons and accelerators at scientific user facilities. In 1986, scientists discovered a new class of copper-oxide materials that exhibited superconductivity, but at much higher temperatures than the metals and metal alloys from earlier in the century	DOE ExplainsSuperconductivity Department of Energy
	However, because superconductors have no electrical resistance, no heat is generated, and the electromagnets can generate the necessary magnetic fields. Similar	

Superconducting magnets in particle accelerators

superconducting
electromagnets are also
used in maglev trains,

experimental nuclear fusion reactors and high-

energy particle

accelerator laboratories.

Superconductors are also used to power railguns and coilguns, cell phone base stations, fast digital circuits and particle detectors. ...

What is a superconductor?

Live Science

Conclusion

- Challenges in superconductivity research
- Future prospects of superconductors

Search Term	Relevant Excerpt	Citation Source
	The materials included several metals and	
	an alloy of niobium and titanium that could	
	easily be made into wire. Wires led to a new	
	challenge for superconductor research. The	DOF
Challenges in superconductivity research Challenges in superconductivity research	lack of electrical resistance in	DOE ExplainsSuperconductivity Department of Energy
	superconducting wires means that they can	
	support very high electrical currents, but	
	above a "critical current" the electron pairs	
	break up and superconductivity is	
	destroyed	
	" What's the latest in superconductor	
	research? The first challenge for today's	What is a superconductor? Live Science
	researchers is "to develop materials that are	
	superconductors at ambient conditions,	
	because currently superconductivity only	
	exists either at very low temperatures or at	
	very high pressures," said Mehmet Dogan, a	
	postdoctoral researcher at the University of	
Challenges in superconductivity research	California, Berkeley. The next challenge is to	
	develop a theory that explains how the novel	
	superconductors work and predict the	
	properties of those materials, Dogan told	
	Live Science in an email	
	In the future, new superconductor	
	technologies could also create	
	breakthroughs in wind power generation,	
	fusion energy, electric and hydrogen-	
	powered transport, and aerospace	
	applications helping the world achieve net-	University news - Al and big
	zero. However, a series of tough challenges	
	have so far prevented the widespread	
	adoption and commercialisation of	of Glasgow
	superconducting technology across the full	
	spectrum of industries. Aside from MRIs,	
	there are currently very few	
	superconducting devices in commercial use,	
	with many still confined to research facilities.	
	It supposedly superconducts at room	
	temperature under a pressure of merely ten	A superconductor
Future prospects of superconductors	thousand atmospheres. In theory, this is	"breakthrough" raises

	another major step toward a practical	serious doubts - Big Think
	superconductor. Yet the announcement was	
	met with skepticism rather than acclaim	
	Superconductors offer enormous technical	
	and economic promise for applications such	
	as high-speed hovertrains, MRI machines,	Superconductor
Future prospects of superconductors	efficient power lines, quantum computing,	Breakthrough: Scientists
	and other technologies. However, their	Discover an Invisible
	usefulness is limited since superconductivity	
	requires extremely low temperatures	
Future prospects of superconductors	Even though a complete understanding of	
	the quantum mechanism is yet to be	
	discovered, scientists have found ways to	
	enhance superconductivity (increase the	
	critical temperature and critical current) and	
	have discovered many new families of high-	
	temperature superconducting materials.	
	Each new superconducting material offers	DOE ExplainsSuperconductive Department of Energy
	scientists an opportunity to get closer to	
	understanding how high-temperature	
	superconductivity works and how to design	
	new superconducting materials for advanced	
	technological applications.	
	Superconductivity Facts Superconductivity	
	was discovered in 1911 by Heike Kamerlingh-	
	Onnes	