

On the scaling analyses of the flux pinning force density estimated for two types of MgB₂ specimens

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Magnetic hysteresis loops have been measured for polycrystalline and powder MgB₂ samples. Hysteresis loop width ΔM measured for polycrystalline sample was less than one order of magnitude smaller than that measured for powder sample. Magnetic field dependence of the critical current density estimated from the ΔM is essentially divided into three regions which may correspond to the characteristic vortex states discussed by Blatter *et al.*¹ The irreversibility field B_{irr} for each sample has been derived from so called Kramer plots using relevant magnetic field dependence. The scaling law of the reduced pinning force density was satisfactorily applied to the experimental results for each sample by using thus determined B_{irr} . If we define the B_{irr} as a field at which the critical current density becomes 10^6 (A/m²), such scaling law is apparently applicable to polycrystalline sample and not applicable to powder sample. Such discrepancy may come from that the B_{irr} by two types of definition belongs to different vortex state.

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