

Coexistence of 0- and π -states in Josephson SFS junctions

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Abstract. Use of a modern "trilayer technology" of SFS junction fabrication allows us to increase the junction critical current density in the π -state up to 10^4 A/cm². The 0- π transition for Nb-CuNi-Nb junctions occurs at small enough thickness of ferromagnetic CuNi layer (about 7 nm) that occasions the persistence of the second (2π) component of the current phase relation. Half-integer Shapiro steps and half-flux-quantum period of Fraunhofer pattern are clear evidences of the 2π component supercurrent flow observed at 0- π transition temperature.