

Microwave Measurement of Temperature and Current Dependence of Surface Impedance for High- T_c Superconductors

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Perturbation formulas for TE₀₁₁/ mode dielectric rod resonator and for a TE₀₁₁/ mode circular cavity resonator are derived to determine the surface impedance $Z_s (= R_s + jX_s)$ of superconductors from measured values of resonant frequencies and unloaded Q. Also, the relation between the maximum surface current density of a superconductor, J_s (A/m), and output power from a signal generator P_O (W), is derived. On the basis of these analytical results, a measurement technique is proposed to evaluate the temperature and J_s dependences of Z_s for superconductors. The measured results of the temperature dependence of Z_s for YBCO and copper plates, which are obtained from the f_0 and Q_u values measured for the dielectric resonator and for the cavity resonator, are presented. From these results, it is verified that the dielectric resonator is suitable for measuring X_s for YBCO. Furthermore, from these Z_s values the temperature dependence of the skin depth δ and the penetration depth λ_p , and those of the complex conductivity $\sigma_r - j\sigma_i$ are obtained on the basis of the two-fluid model. These measured values agree well with the theoretical curves calculated by introducing the concept of the residual normal state conductivity σ_{res} into σ_r . From the J_s dependence of Z_s measured for the YBCO and copper plates, it is shown that the R_s of copper does not depend on J_s , that the value for YBCO has a strong J_s dependence, and that X_s of YBCO has little dependence on J_s . It is verified that a dielectric resonator is preferred for measuring the J_s dependence of Z_s , because of energy concentration, compared with a cavity resonator.

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