





# FREIA Laboratory Facility for Research Instrumentation

and Accelerator Development

**Cryogenics and Cryostats** 

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## What & Whom?



## **Facility for Research Instrumentation and Accelerator Development**





# **Overview of Activities**



#### **ESS Spoke Linac**



#### $\Delta f_0 = (f_0)_2 = (f_0)_1 = -\kappa \kappa_{av}$

#### **ESS neutrino Super-beam**



#### Cryogenics



**SRF Test Stand** 



#### **Controls & Data Acquisition**



#### High Power RF Amplifiers Solid-state & Vacuum Tube



#### **THz-FEL**



RF = Radio Frequency SRF = Superconducting RF FEL = Free Electron Laser



# Superconductivity



1908: helium liquefaction

1911: discovery superconductivity in mercury (~4 K) by Kammerlingh-Onnes

1960s: practical superconductors (magnet grade) NbZr, Nb3Sn

1965: first SRF cavity (Pb-plated) at SLAC

1969: first large scale SC magnet CERN BEBC (800 MJ)

1970s: commercial NMR systems

1984: Tevatron: 1st accelerator with SC magnets: 520 GeV; 900 GeV in 1987

1990s: first large scale SRF: CEBAF & LEP





# What is Superconductivity?









#### Operate below the critical surface

- critical current J<sub>c</sub>
- critical temperature T<sub>c</sub>
- magnetic field B<sub>c2</sub>

For NbTi:

- $T_c(0) = 9.2 \text{ K}$ ;  $B_{c2}(0) = 14.5 \text{ T}$
- Critical area boundary  $T_c(B) = T_c(0) \{1-\{B/14.5\}\}0.59$  $B_{c2}(T) = B_{c2}(0) \{1-\{T/9.2\}1.7\}$
- Typical operation at 4.2 K and 5 T  $T_c(5T) = 7.16$  K ;  $B_{c2}(4.2K) = 10.7$  T

Similar relations exist for Nb3Sn.







## **Cryogenic plants**

- Compress the fluid
- Cause the fluid to do work by making it expand against a piston or turbine while keeping it thermally isolated from the outside environment (Isentropic Expansion)
- Transfer heat from the fluid to a colder surface
- Cause the fluid to do "internal work" by expanding it through a valve while keeping it thermally isolated (Isenthalpic or Joule-Thomson Expansion)

## Cooling below 4.2 K

• Once the (helium) fluid is a liquid, reduce the pressure above the fluid below atmospheric pressure thus reducing the saturation temperature









- Second liquid phase of helium (hence He II)
- Phase transition is second order (no latent heat)
  - but there is a discontinuity in the specific heat ( $\lambda$  transition)
  - $T_{\lambda,max} = 2.2 \text{ K}$
- Has unique thermal and fluid properties
  - High effective thermal conductivity
  - Zero viscosity under certain conditions

## Advantages

- lower temperature, lower BCS losses
- no bulk boiling, reduced microphonics
- very efficient heat transfer

## Disadvantages

costly





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- Cryostat (coffee thermos)
- Reduce the heat transfer
  - Conduction
    - Heat transfer through solid material
      - use low conductive materials
      - reduce cross section, increase length
  - Convection
    - Heat transfer via a moving fluid
    - Natural or free convection motion caused by gravity (i.e. density changes)
      - use vacuum insulation
    - Forced motion caused by external force such as a pump
  - Radiation
    - Heat transferred by electromagnetic radiation/photons
      - use thermal radiation shield







#### Three main subsystems:











#### **Helium liquefaction**

- 150 l/h at 4.5K (LN2 pre-cooling)
- 2000 I LHe dewar/buffer, 3+1 outlets
- 100 m3 gasbag + recovery system
- cryostats connected in closed loop

### Liquid nitrogen

• 20 m3 LN2 tank





# **HNOSS Horizontal Cryostat**





### HNOSS: Horizontal Nugget for Operation of Superconducting Systems

- Main Vacuum Vessel
  - 3240 x ø1200mm inner volume
  - "beam" axis at 1600mm
- Valve box (on top of main vessel)
  - Distribute cryogens
  - 4K and 2K pots, JT-valve, heat exchanger
  - 5K supercritical helium
- Interconnection box (ICB)
  - Distributes cryogens to HNOSS and CM
- Cryogenic transfer lines
  LN2 and LHe
- Cold gas heater for return flow
  - re-heating from 2K to 300K
- Control system





# HNOSS - Horizontal Cryostat System



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# Gersemi - Vertical Cryostat System





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# Gersemi - Details







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# **Cryogenic Operation - Vacuum**









PREIP



# Sub-cooled Helium Bath







# ESS Spoke Cryomodule and Valve Box



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# LHC Crab Cavity Cryomodule









- Engineering
  - pressure vessel code (if applicable); vacuum forces
  - calculation pipe diameter, valve opening (K-value), heat exchanger
- Manufacturing
  - welding steel & aluminium
    - test with X-rays and/or colour test; thermal shock (LN2, then heat)
  - clean surfaces
    - no grease or welding residue left, ultra-sonic cleaning
- Assembly
  - helium leak testing, pressure testing
  - insulation sheets (MLI)
  - instrumentation (thermo-sensors & thermalization, feed-through)
  - magnetic shield