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ESS Cryogenic System Process Design

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1) System Overview

- 2) Accelerator Load and its Cryoplant
- 3) Target Moderator Load and its Cryoplant
- 4) Helium Management and Storage
- 5) Reliability and Availability

6) Energy

(1) System overview



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(2.1) The Accelerator cryogenic setup



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(2.3) The Accelerator cryoplant dutyspec

| Туре | Temperature range | Max. load Stage 1 | Max. load Stage 2 |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Static and dynamic load in CMs | 2 K | 1850 W | 2230 W |
| Recuperators and CDS load | 2 – 4 K | 630 W | 830 W |
| Thermal shields | 33 – 53 K | 8 550 W | 11 380 W |
| Coupler cooling | 4.5 – 300 K | 6.8 g/s | 9.0 g/s |

(2.4) The Accelerator cryogenic load

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ACCP 2K heat load vs number of installed CMs



(2.5) The Accelerator cryoplant process



| 300 K | Compressor skids with 3 identical screws | |
|-------|---|--|
| 115 K | VFD for SP \rightarrow MP and LP \rightarrow MP | |
| 70 K | | |
| 53 K | Thermal shield ~43K | |
| 33 K | Thermal Shield +5K | |
| 24 K | 6 turbo expanders | |
| 9 K | 3 cold turbo compressors | |
| 6 K | | |
| 4.5 K | Connection to 20 m ³ tank | |

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(3.1) The Target Monolith



Neutron beam extraction

Target wheel 🗸

Moderator and reflector plugs

Proton beam window

Neutron beam windows

(3.2) The Target Monolith inside





(3.3) Moderator-Reflector system





(3.4) The Target cryogenic load

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TMCP 15-20K heat load vs. beam power



Beam power, MW

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(3.5) The Target Moderator cryoplant process (proposed by ESS)





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(4.1) Where sits the helium



1) ACCP: Over 2000 kg in Cryomodules and distribution system





2) TMCP: Over 350 kg in Cryotransferline between helium and hydrogen box

2 x 335 m x 4"

3) TICP: About 600 kg in open loop system for neutron instruments



(4.2) Helium storage



- 19 x 67 m³
- Theoretically up to 3.5 tons
- Pressure restrictions for TICP and TMCP
- Effectively ~ 3 tons
- 2) Liquid helium storage tank
 - 20 m³
 - When filled to 80% another 2 tons
 - Used as "2nd fill" and help in transient modes (cool-down, pump-down)
- 3) Impure high pressure tanks or bundles
 - 12 m³
 - Nearly 300 kg
 - Used as buffer in recovery system











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(5.1) Definitions



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Kinetic Experiments

Flux Integrated **Experiments**

A reliability of at least 90% should be provided for the duration of the measurement.

The measurement will be considered failed when the beam power is reduced to less than 50% of the scheduled power for more than 1/10th of the measurement length.

For the duration of the experiment at least 90% of the experiments should have at least 85% of beam availability and on average more than 80% of the scheduled beam power.

The beam will be considered unavailable when its power is less than 50% of its scheduled power for more than one minute.

At least 90% of the users should receive a neutron beam that will allow them to execute the full scope of their experiments

(5.2) Anticipated failure rates



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(5.3) Backup compressor system







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(6.1) Energy high level goals



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(6.2) Heat recovery



- No elevated oil or helium temperatures out of compressor suppliers specs
- More efficient heat exchangers, especially oil coolers
- Dedicated cooling water circuit for cryoplant
- Cooling function has priority over heat recovery

(6.3) Energy efficiency and sustainability



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- Focus on process design and optimization
- Good match between plant and load by staging, dual equipment, VFDs for low pressure machines
- Focus on turn-down scenarios
- Incentive OPEX approach in ACCP and TMCP tender evaluation and contracts as well
- As much as possible helium recovery

Conclusions



- The conceptual design of the cryogenic system at ESS is finished
- One cryoplant is ordered, one out for quote, one to 90% specified → ESS is rolling
- High level goals in terms of energy efficiency and sustainability can be met
- Continued work on meeting reliability and availability requirements