



Series Test Facility for FAIR. Cryogenic Infrastructure & Configuration.

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Plant design. Requirements.

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Refrigeration System

Flexible system for test facility to perform the acceptance test for the SIS100 dipole magnets

- Subcooled Helium at 4.5 K and 1.8 bar.a
- Shield cooling between 50 K to 80 K
- Liquefaction at constant level

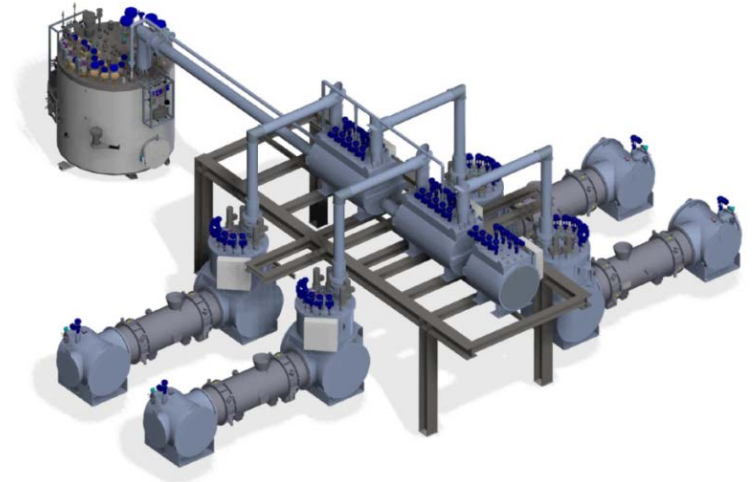
Test benches

Different operating modes and test scenarios

- Transient operation
- Frequent magnet exchange
- Recovery system

General

- Automatic load adaptation
- Delivery time



Plant design.

Challenges and solutions – System setup.

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Coldbox setup

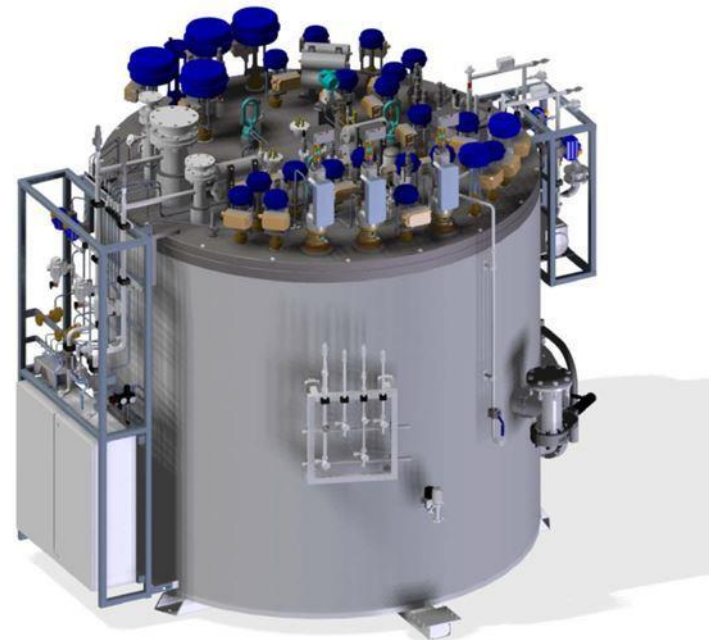
Use of standardized modules ensures compact and cost efficient design

- Double bed adsorber
- Phase separator and subcooler
- Cold gas return
- Shield cooling

Test bench setup

Customized distribution system, test benches and recovery system

- Two valveboxes
- Four feedboxes
- One string test box
- Recovery system with double bed dryer



Plant design.

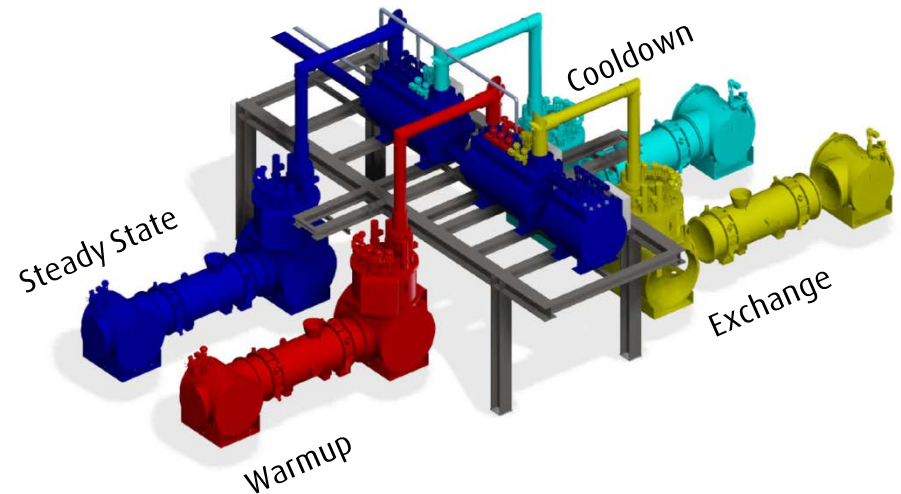
Challenges and solutions – Transient operation.

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Transient operation of test benches

- Different operating modes - Throughput of one magnet per week
- Main transferline and valvebox system which can be kept at operating temperature forms the core of the test bench
- Cold gas return to handle transient operation like cooldown, warmup and quench



Plant design.

Challenges and solutions – Magnet exchange.

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Warmup

- Isolation of test bench by closing valves in valvebox
- Warmup of isolated system via purge panel

Isolation of magnet by closing valves in feedbox

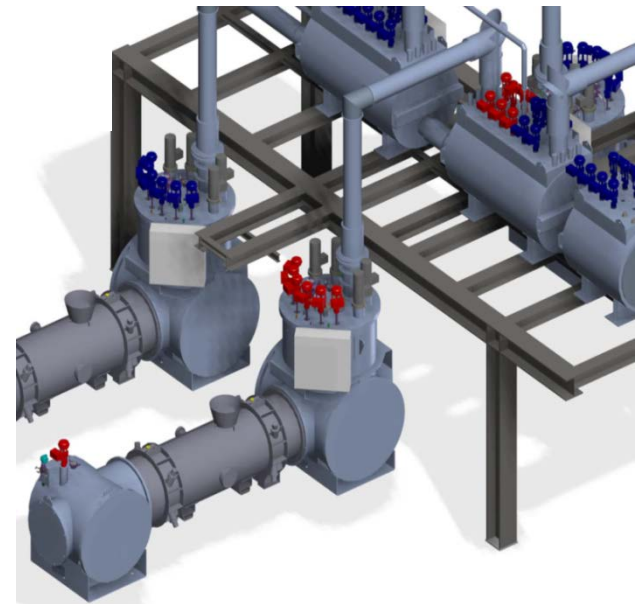
- Reduction of contamination
- Avoid condensation due to valve arrangement

Magnet exchange

- Rail system for easy access (by GSI)

Cleanup prior to cooldown

- Separate purge panels for each feedbox



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Challenges and solutions – Quench gas recovery.

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Recovery system

- Cold gas return
- Ambient heater
- Impure storage system (buffer)
- Double bed dryer

Transient operation and magnet quench shall not influence the operation of the refrigeration system



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Challenges and solutions – Load adaption.

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Automatic load adaptation

Huge operating range between peak capacity and standby operation of single test benches.

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| Warm System | Compressor | Frequency converter High pressure adaptation |
| Cold System | Coldbox | JT-Turbine with bypass |
| | LHe Dewar | Compensation of overcapacity |
| | Distribution system | Bypass flows and heaters |

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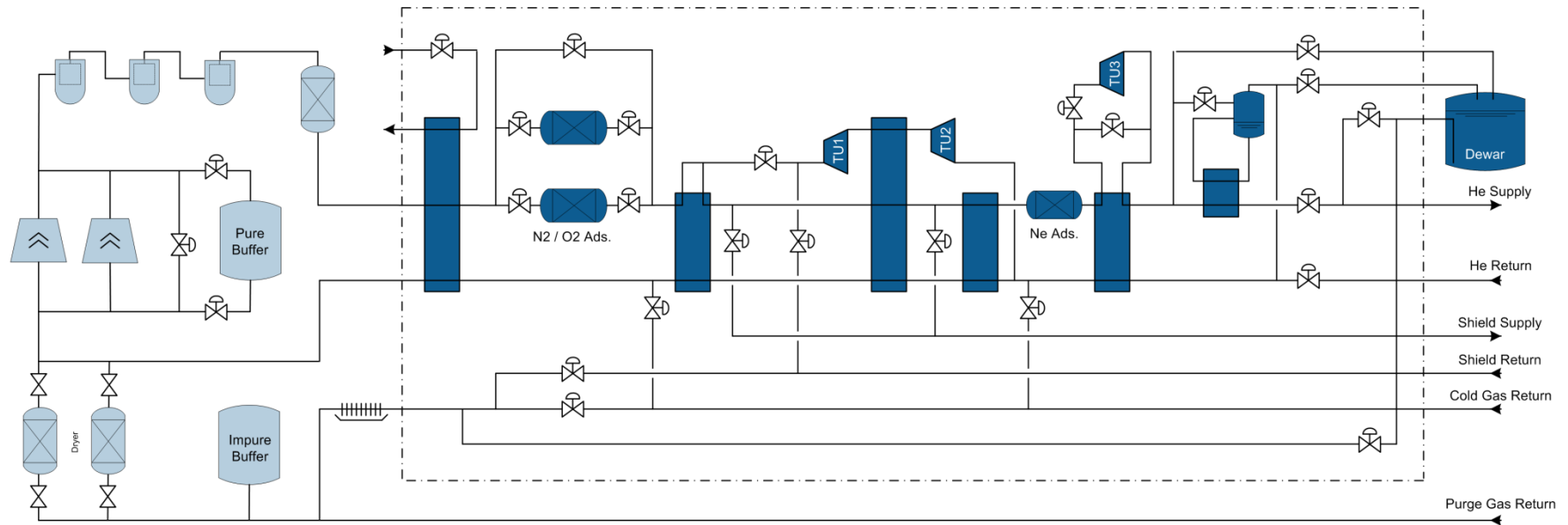
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Process flow diagram. Coldbox.

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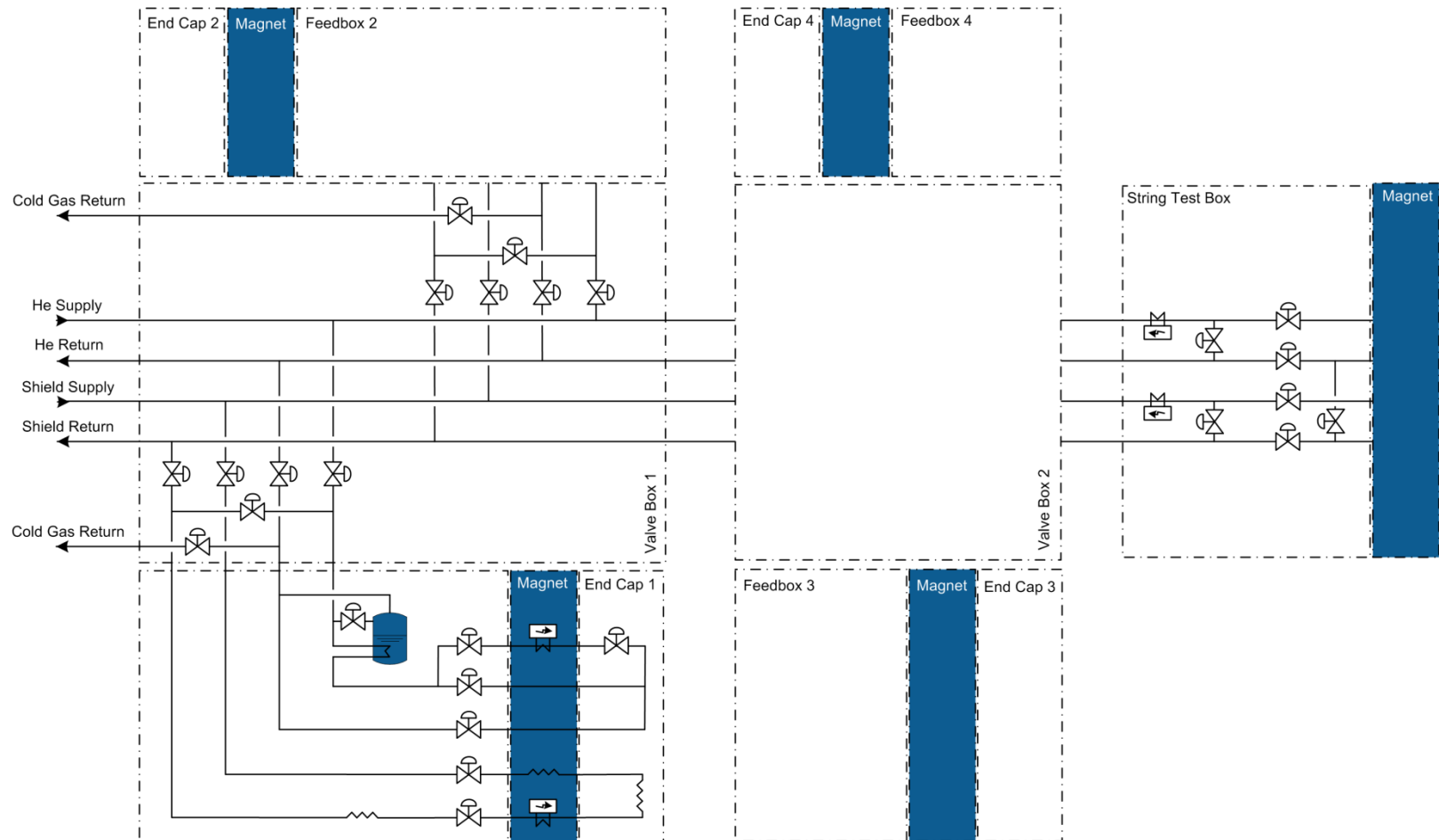
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Process flow diagram. Distribution system.

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Performance data.

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| Plant Performance | Guaranteed | Measured | Surplus |
|-----------------------------------|------------|----------|---------|
| Cooling power @ 4.5 K | 700 W | 778 W | +11.1 % |
| Cooling Power @ 50 K - 75 K | 2000 W | 2030 W | +1.5 % |
| Liquefaction @ constant level | 6.0 g/s | 6.0 g/s | ± 0.0 % |
| Equivalent overall capacity @ 4.5 | 1500W | 1580 W | +5.3 % |

| Utilities | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Maximal electrical power consumption | 434 kW |
| LN2 consumption per 1 W @ 4.5 K | < 0.1 l/h |

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Linde Kryotechnik AG has successfully designed, supplied and commissioned a dipole magnet test facility for FAIR.

Equipment

- Combination of standardized modules and customized solutions
- Compact and cost efficient design

Flexible operation

- Compressor with frequency converter
- JT-Turbine with bypass
- LHe storage dewar
- Heaters for load compensation
- Four independent test benches and one string test bench

Design for high availability

- Redundant line dryers and 80 K adsorbers
- Maintenance free dynamic gas bearing turbines

Thank you for your attention.

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