

The Proton Power Upgrade High-power RF Systems

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Background - Spallation Neutron Source

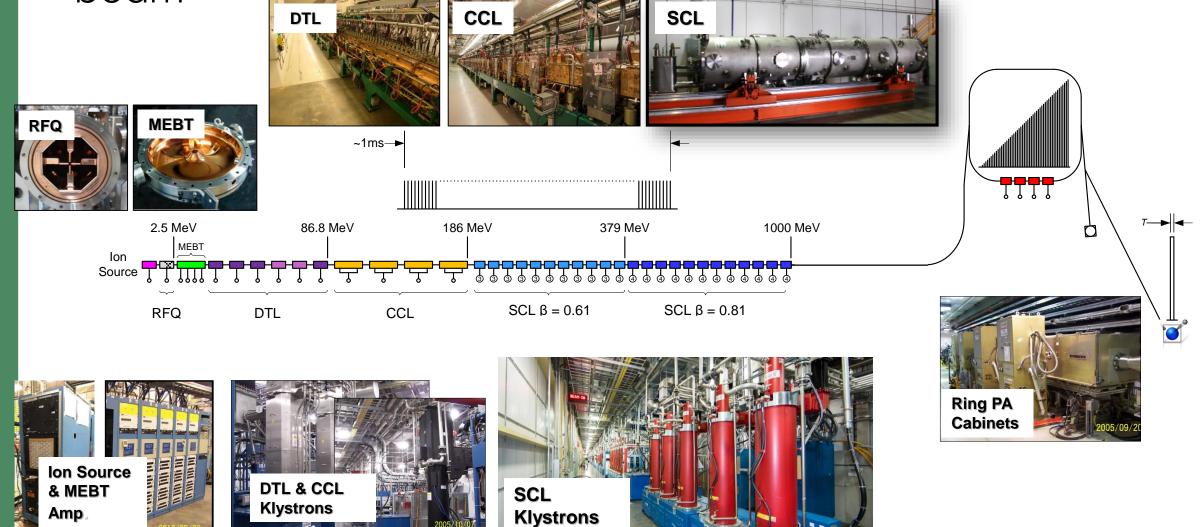


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Background – SNS Today

 Over 100 RF systems accelerate and compress 1 GeV proton beam



PPU Purpose*

- ORNL operates two neutron sources the SNS First Target Station (FTS) and the High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR)
- PPU will enable the addition of a third the Second Target Station (STS) while increasing the capability of the FTS

Increase the neutron flux at the existing First Target Station by 40%

- Allow use of smaller samples, and solutions with lower concentrations
- Increase the rate of discovery



Provide proton beam for the Second Target Station

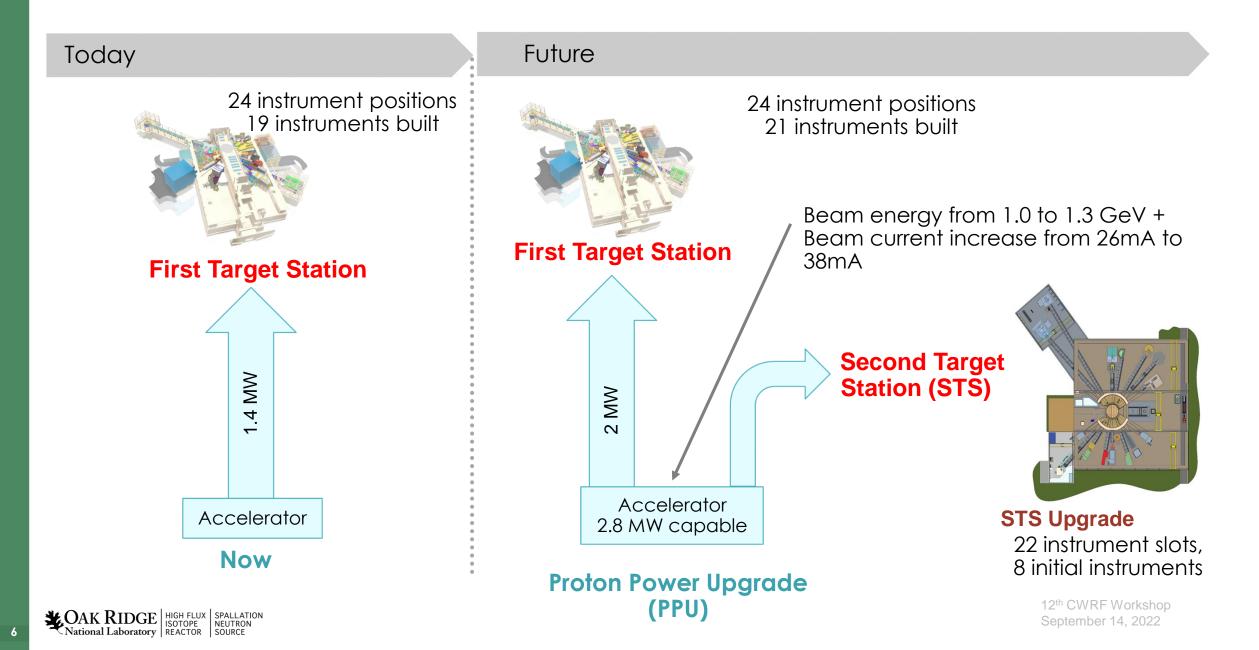
- Compliments FTS and HFIR capability with unprecedented cold neutron brightness
- Simultaneously probe the structure and function of complex materials across broader length and time scales



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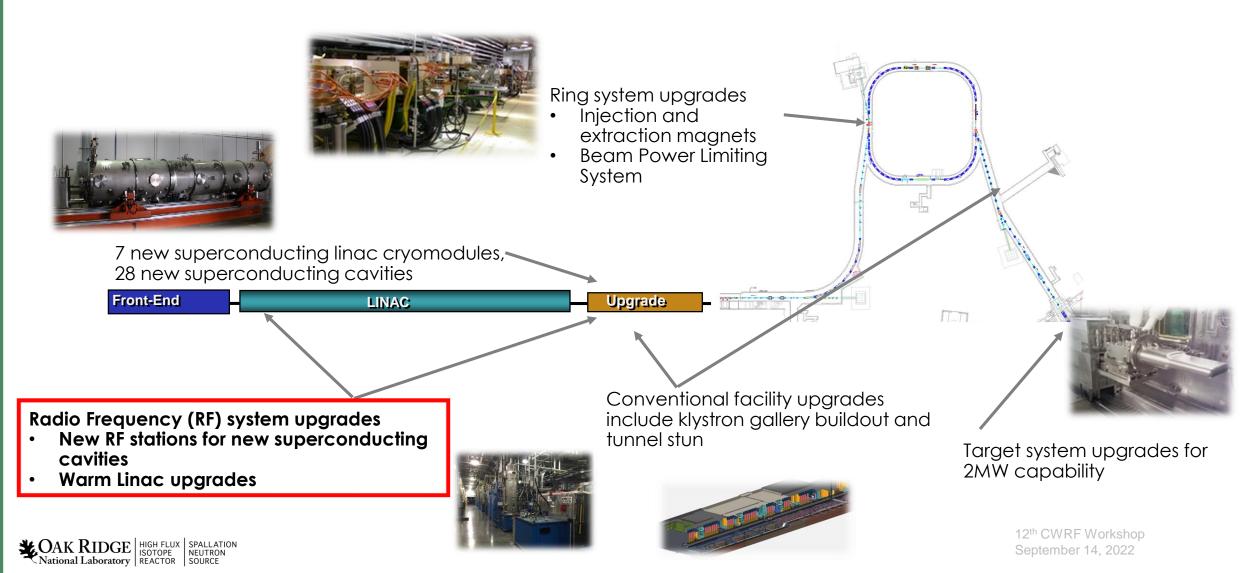


SNS Upgrade Plans – How PPU Fits in the Bigger Picture



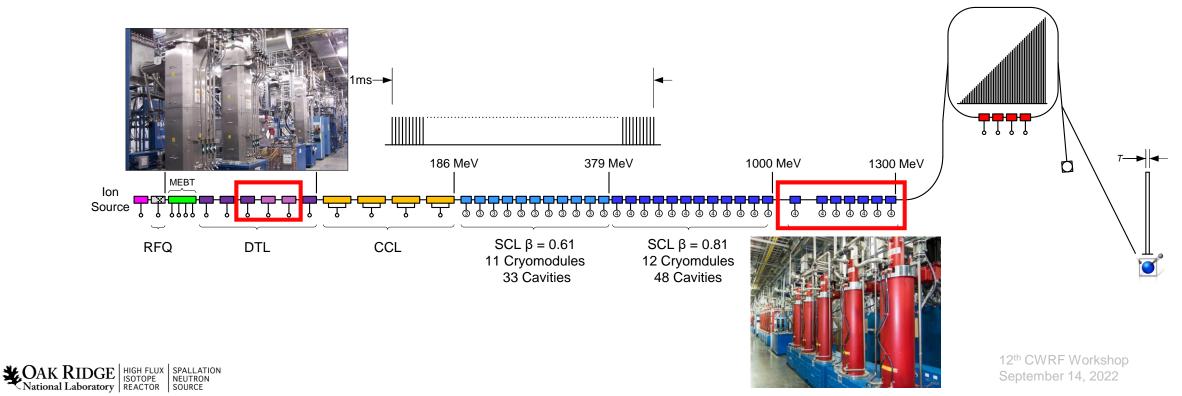
Proton Power Upgrade Project Scope*

• Includes scope across much of the neutron source



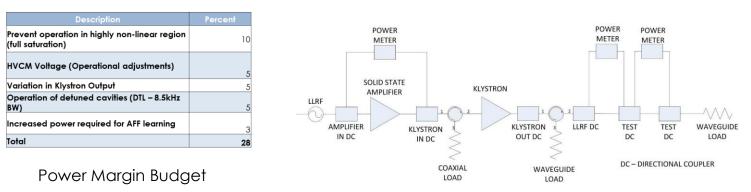
PPU High-Power RF Systems Overview

- Normal Conducting High-Power RF (HPRF)
 - Upgrade 3 existing Drift-tube Linac (DTL) HPRF stations from 2.5 to 3.0 MW peak power capability
- Superconducting HPRF
 - Install 28 new HPRF stations with 700 kW peak power capability

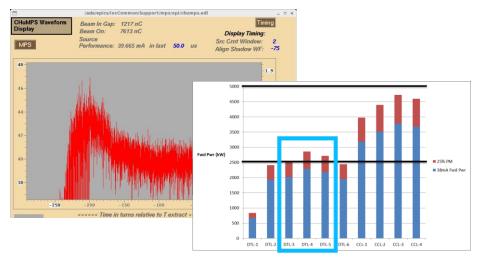


PPU Normal Conducting HPRF Systems – Design Criteria

- Capable of accelerating 38 mA proton beam with 25% power margin (PM) [1,3]
 - Matches original SNS design requirement
 - Maximizes operational flexibility see "PM Budget"
- Ran series of high-current tests in 2017 [2]
 - DTL stations 3, 4, and 5 did not meet requirements



RF Power Margin Measurement Set-up



Demonstration of 38 mA beam in Linac and results

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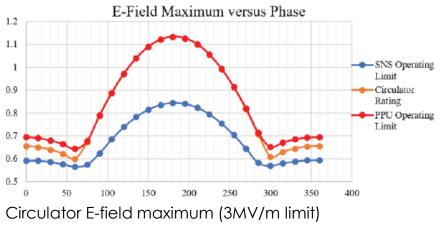


PPU Normal Conducting HPRF Systems – Final Design

- Final design includes a klystron upgrade 3 MW peak power capable
 - Increased perveance to allow operation with existing klystrons
 - Nearly "plug compatible" with existing infrastructure spares for operations!
- What about other components?
 - No 38mA test measurement exceeded 2.5 MW
 - Circulator (highest concern), WR2100 full-height load, and coupling iris are all adequate for normal post-PPU operation
 - Further simulation of the circulator indicated 3 MW operation is permissible** [4]



New 3 MW klystron first article in SNS Radiofrequency Test Facility (RFTF)



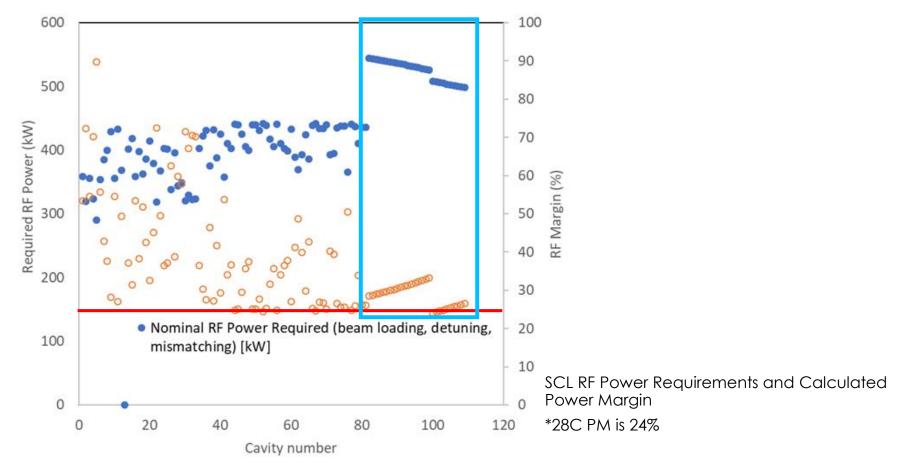
Blue – 2.5 MW forward (fwd) with 600 kW reflected (rfl). Orange – 2.5 MW fwd with 2.5 MW rfl.

Red – 3MW fwd with 2.05 MW rfl

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PPU Superconducting HPRF Systems – Design Criteria

- Increase the proton beam energy from 1.0 to 1.3 GeV
 - Provide HPRF generation for 28 new superconducting cavities
 - Apply the same 25% power margin requirement*



PPU Superconducting HPRF Systems – Final Design

- Total of 28 new Superconducting RF stations at the high energy end of the Linac
 - 28 700 kW peak power capable klystrons with associated circulators, waveguide, and waveguide components
 - Five transmitter systems that support up to six klystrons per system
 - Provide cooling, solenoid power, filament power, RF pre-amp, monitoring and interlocks
- Installation and testing is ongoing first HPRF in October

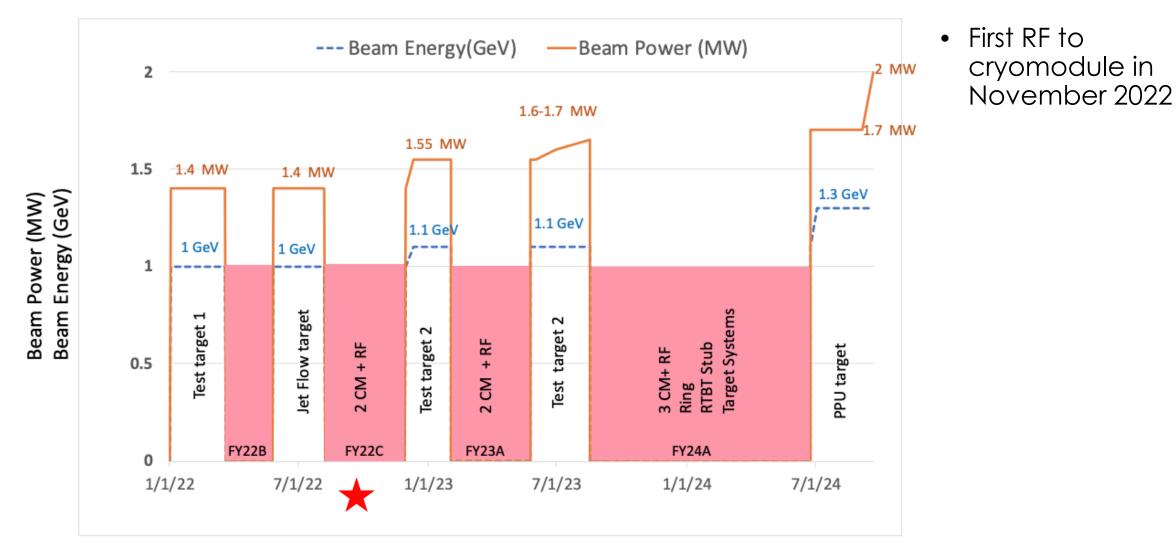






First 12 SCL RF stations; First transmitter system; First transmitter system under test

Power Ramp-up Plan



Summary

- The PPU will double the proton beam power available at the SNS from 1.4 to 2.8 MW
 - 2.0 MW to the first target station
- The RF scope consists to two main parts
 - Upgrade 3 DTL RF stations to 3 MW peak power capable
 - Value engineering principles were employed to maximize the use of the existing RF equipment
 - Install 28 new 700 kW peak power capable SCL RF stations
 - New equipment is capable of being used throughout the existing SCL RF stations
- First RF generation is scheduled for this October
- Proton beam power will ramp up gradually as new RF stations are brought on-line



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