

Current status of main distribution box for Korean heavy ion accelerator, RAON

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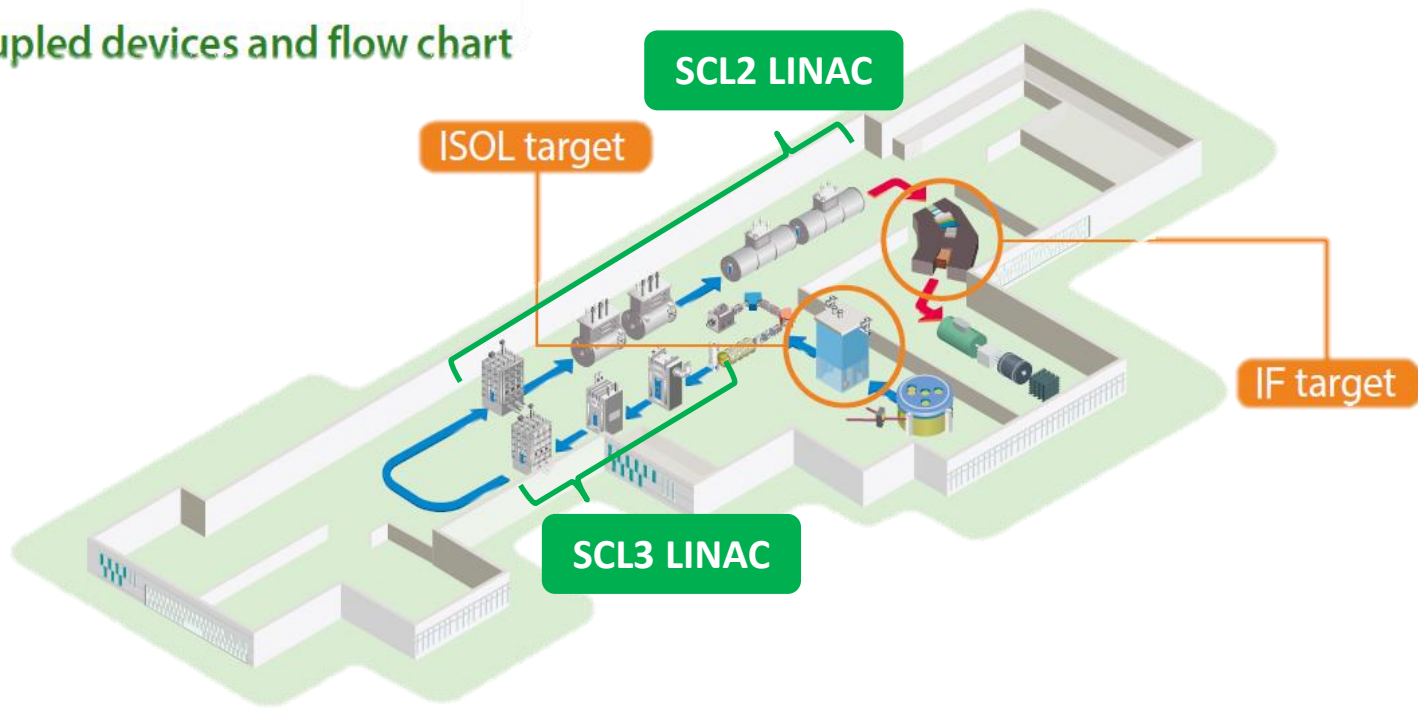
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1.1 Korean heavy ion accelerator (RAON)

- ISOL or IF or combined (ISOL + IF)
- Two superconducting linear accelerators (SCL3 & SCL2 LINAC)

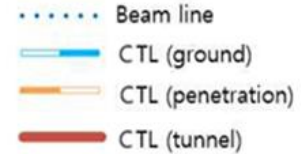
→ Need cryogenic system with helium (2.05 K)

ISOL+IF coupled devices and flow chart

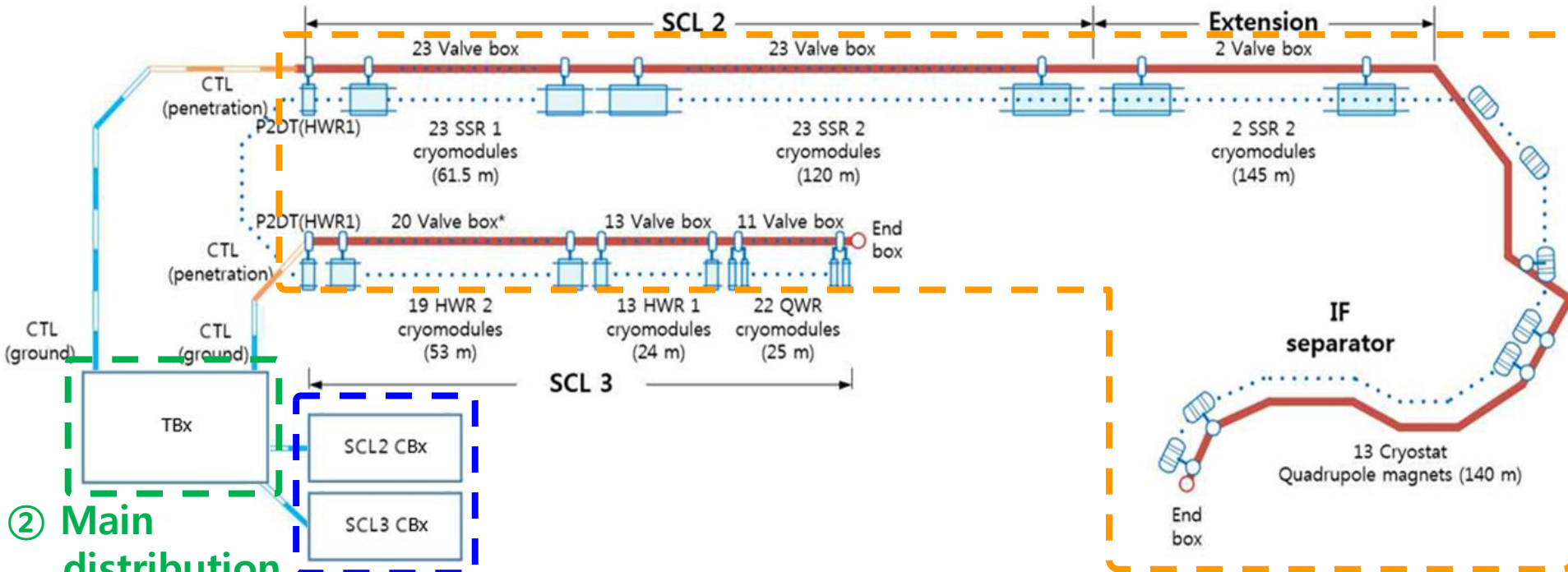


1.2 Cryogenic system in RAON

- Two cryoplants
- Main distribution box
- More than 100 valve boxes & cryomodules



③ Valve boxes & Cryomodules



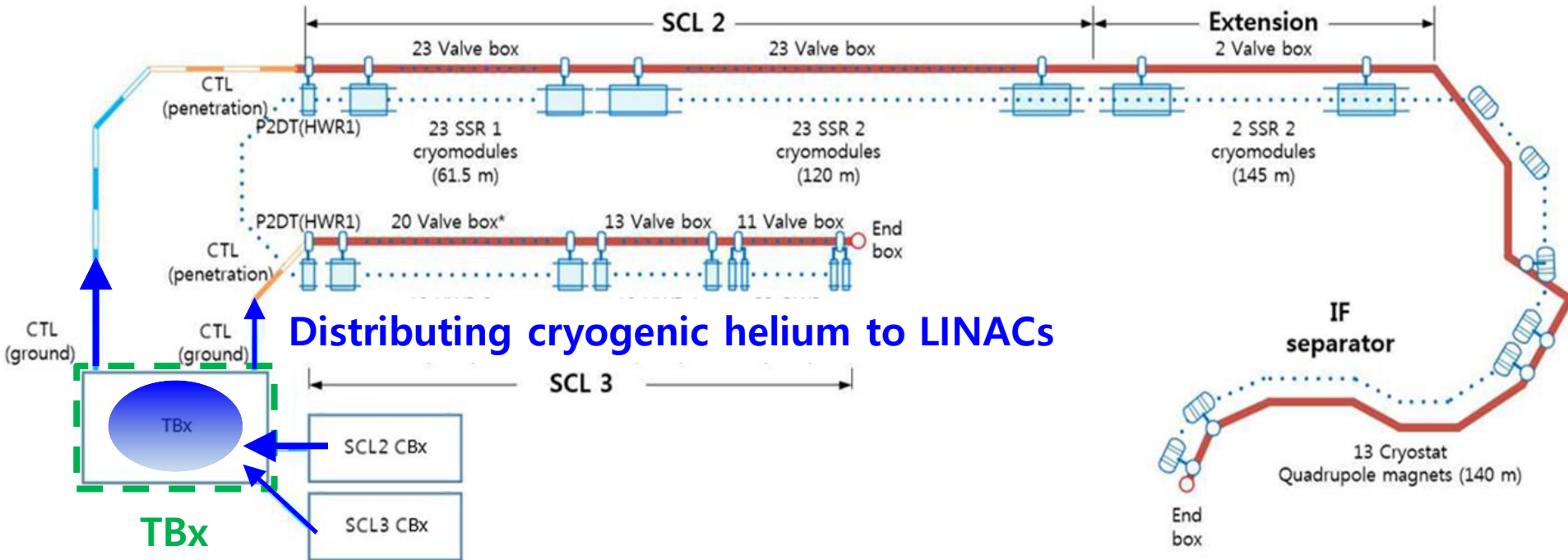
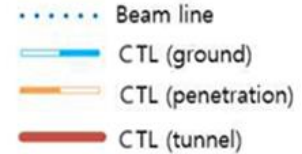
② Main distribution box(=TBx)

① Two cryoplants

1.3 Main distribution box (= main Terminal Box, TBx)

- Distributing cryogenic helium from cryoplants to LINACs

- Controlling & checking status of cryogenic helium
- Cooling down & warming up of main cryolines
- Having main PSV and interlocks for main cryolines



Distributing cryogenic helium to LINACs

Being supplied cryogenic helium from cryoplants

2. Current status of main distribution box

2.1 Completion of construction; Hardware



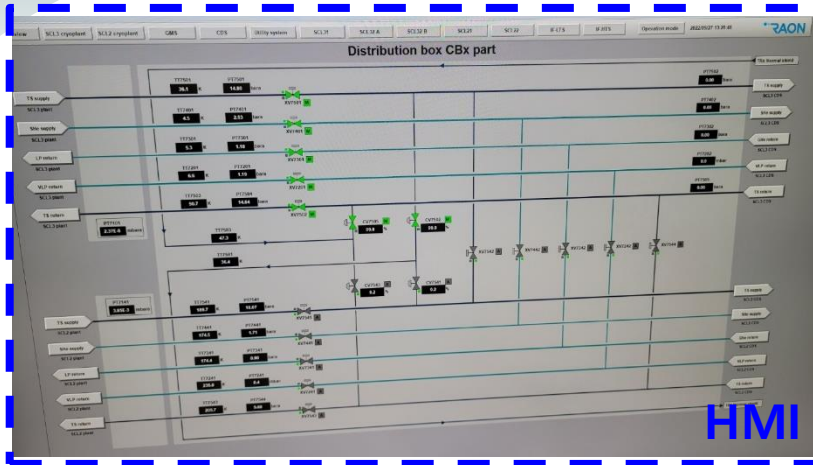
- **Cryogenic valves**
 - 44 ea.
 - DN10 ~ 250
- **Etc**
 - TT (Cernox, PT)
 - FT (PDT w/ venturi)
 - PT (Static, dynamic)
 - Helium guard for 2 K
 - Vacuum pumping station
 - Separated TS
 - PSV, Cryo-check valve



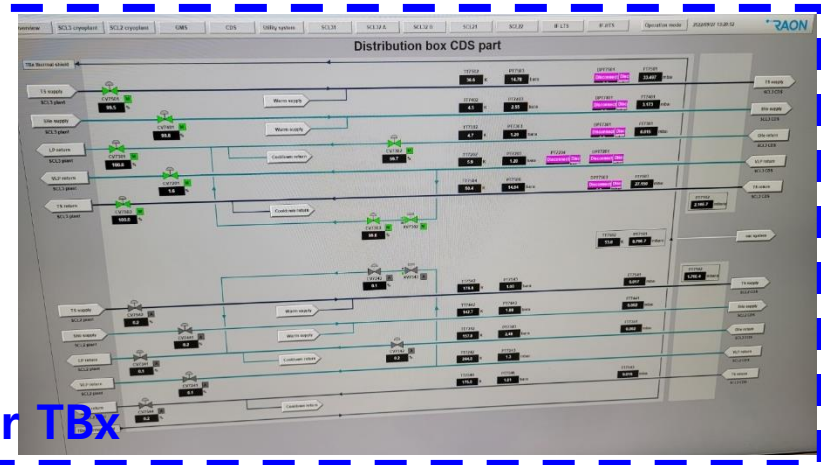
- **Cryolines**
 - 5 type
 - i) TSS (35 K, 15~22 bar)
 - ii) TSR (45 K, 15~22 bar)
 - iii) SHe (4.5 K, 3 bar)
 - iv) GHe (4.5 K, 1.3 bar)
 - v) VLP (2.05 K, 32 mbar)
 - STS316L
 - MLI + vacuum

2. Current status of main distribution box

2.2 Completion of construction; Control system



HMI for TBx



EPICS network



Vacuum pumping system panel (Electricity panel)

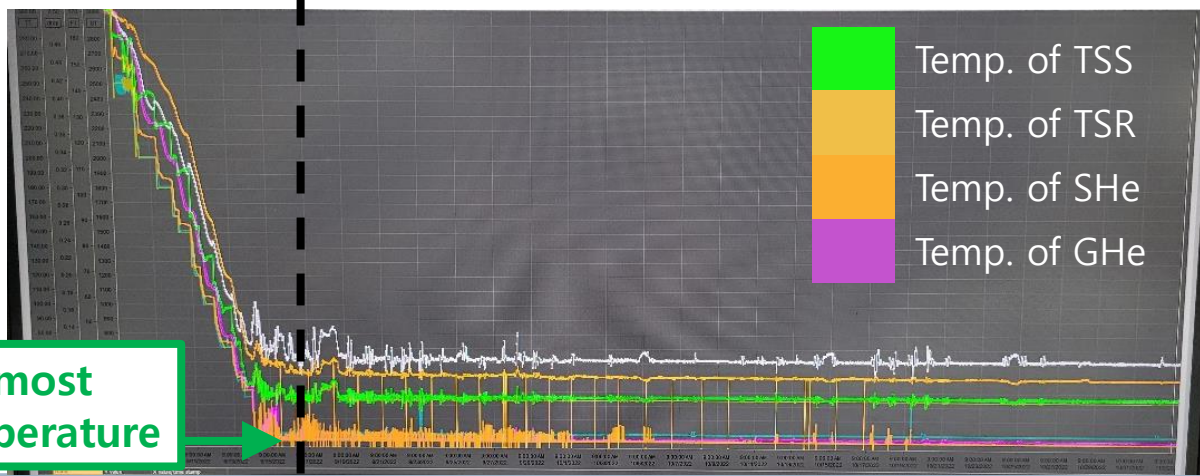
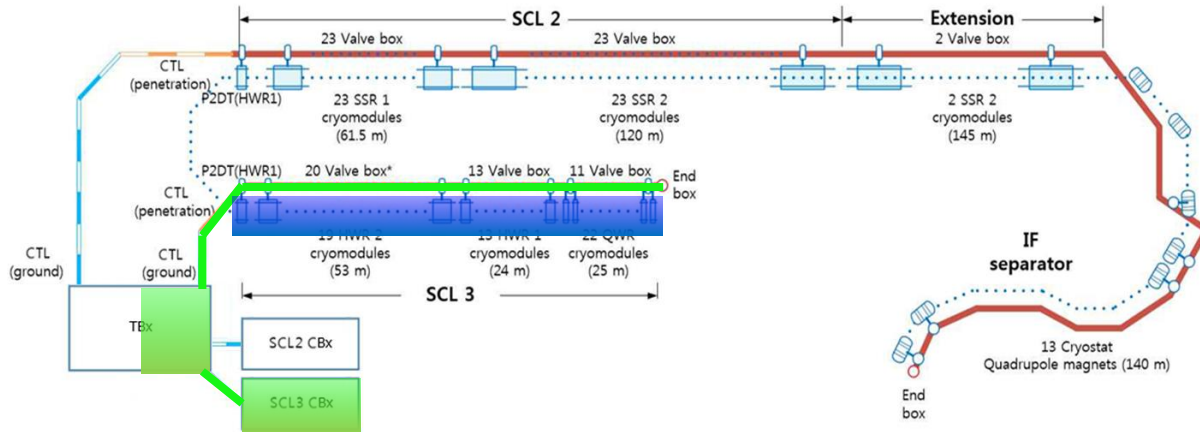


TBx control panel (PLC panel)

2. Current status of main distribution box

2.3 Completion of SCL3 commissioning – 300 to 4.5 K

- **Phase 1**: Cooldown of SCL3 coldbox – TBx – SCL3 main cryoline – TS of cryomodules
- **Phase 2**: Cooldown of SCL3 cryomodules (one by one)

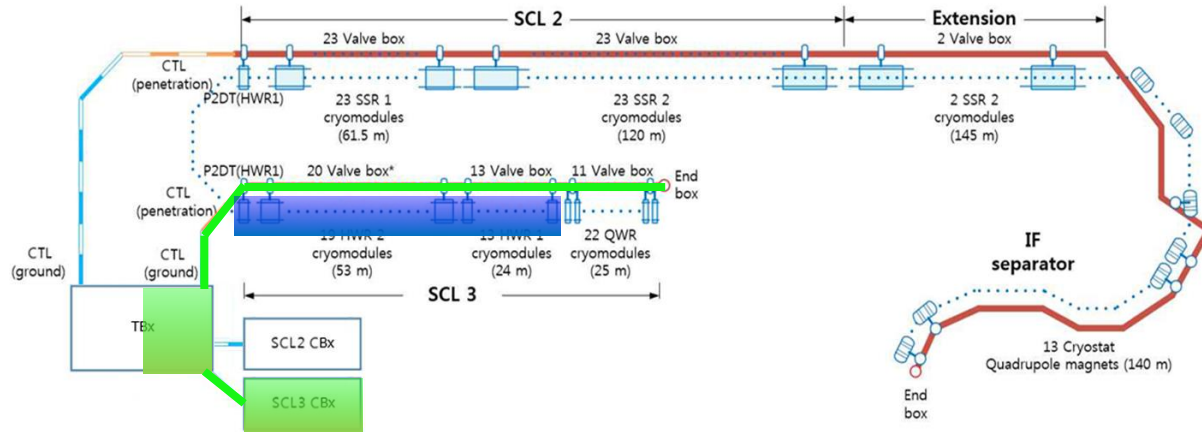


TBx had almost stable temperature

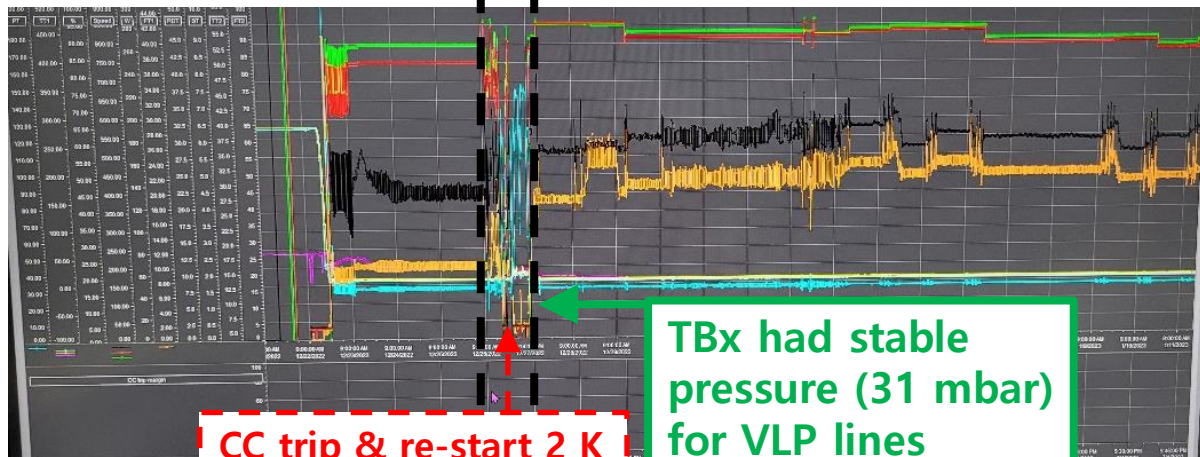
2. Current status of main distribution box

2.3 Completion of SCL3 commissioning – 4.5 to 2 K

- **Phase 1:** 2 K pumping of SCL3 coldbox – TBx – SCL3 main cryoline
- **Phase 2:** 2 K pumping of SCL3 cryomodules (HWR only, one by one)



← **Phase 1** | **Phase 2** →



- CC suction Pres.
- CC suction Temp.
- 2 K flow rate
- Trip margin-CC1
- Trip margin-CC2
- Trip margin-CC3

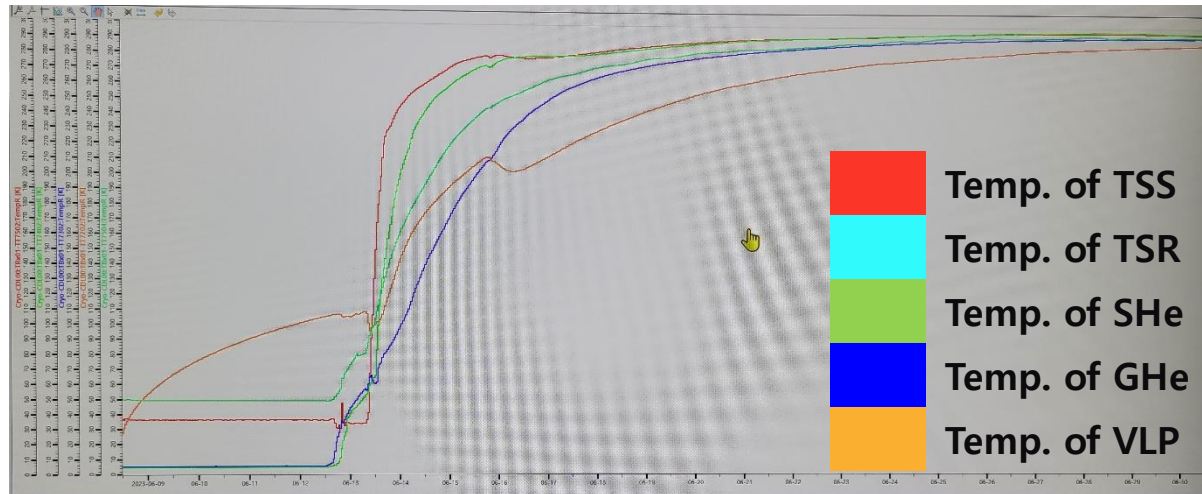
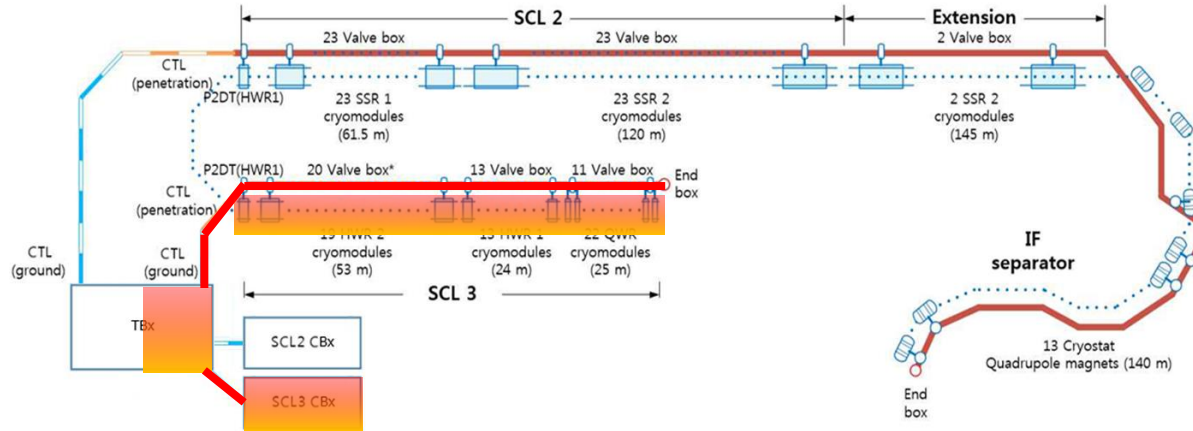
CC trip & re-start 2 K

TBx had stable pressure (31 mbar) for VLP lines

2. Current status of main distribution box

2.4 Completion of warm-up

- i) Stopping 2 K system (PVPS + cold compressors)
- ii) Warming-up whole SCL3 together

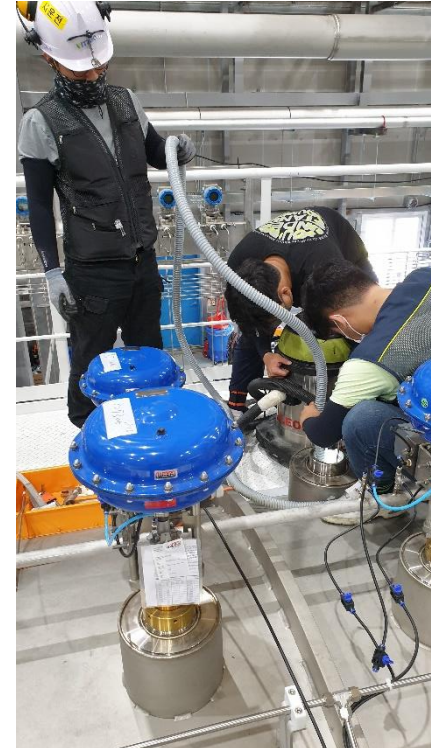


Warm-up of TBx was finished

3. Lesson learned

3.1 Cloths at the plug of the cryogenic valves (1)

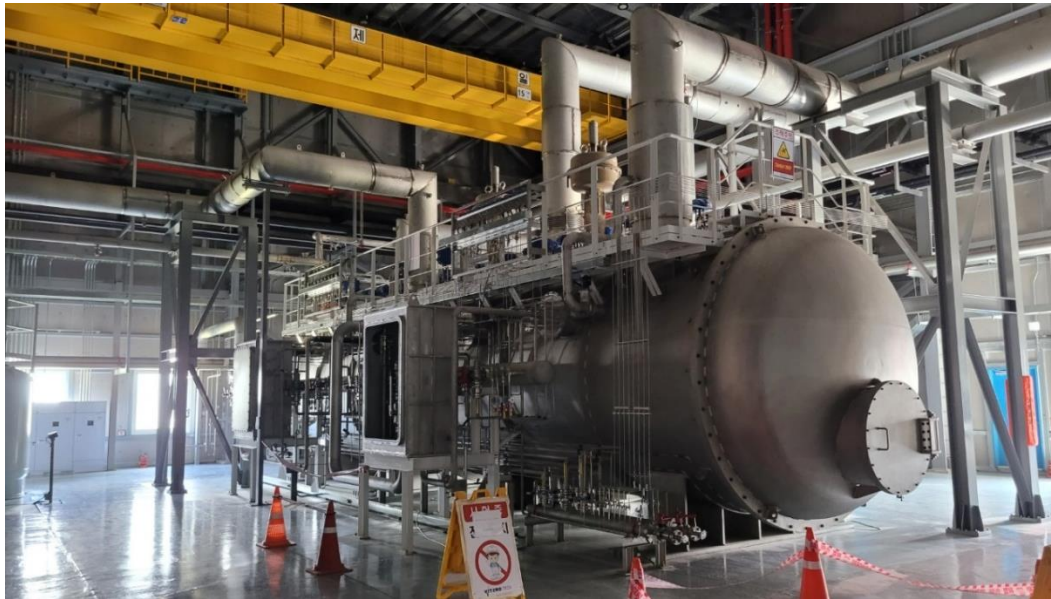
- **Period:** Operation test for cryogenic valves @ pre-commissioning phase
- **Symptom:** Malfunction of one cryogenic valve
- **Inspection:** Raising the cryogenic valve and inspecting inside
- **Action:** Inspecting & cleaning the cryogenic valve
Conducting seat leak test for whole installed valves



3. Lesson learned

3.2 Preparation for regular blackout

- **Period:** 1st July, 2023 – Regular inspection for electrical facility
- **Preparation:**
 - i) Depressurizing whole cryolines below 2 barA
 - ii) Protecting vacuum level of the vacuum chamber
 - iii) Controlling every instrumentation as failure position
 - iv) Disconnecting main instrument air
 - v) Conducting PLC ON/OFF test
 - vi) PLC OFF



4. Future plan

Future plan of TBx for 2023

| Plan for 2023 | Jul. | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Short maintenance | ■ | ■ | | | | |
| Preparation for cooldown (Leak test, conditioning...) | | | ■ | ■ | | |
| 2 nd cooldown of SCL3 | | | | | ■ | ■ |
| 1 st cooldown of SCL2-IF * All section of TBx will be cooled down | | | | | ■ | ■ |

- TBx is a facility to distribute cryogenic helium from cryoplants to LINACs.
- Construction of TBx was finished.
- SCL3 section in TBx was successfully cooled down and warmed up.
- SCL3 section in TBx was operated well at cryogenic condition.
- We will cool down again our cryogenic system at the end of this year.

Thank you!

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