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ÉVOLUTIONS DU CRYOPLANT SM18

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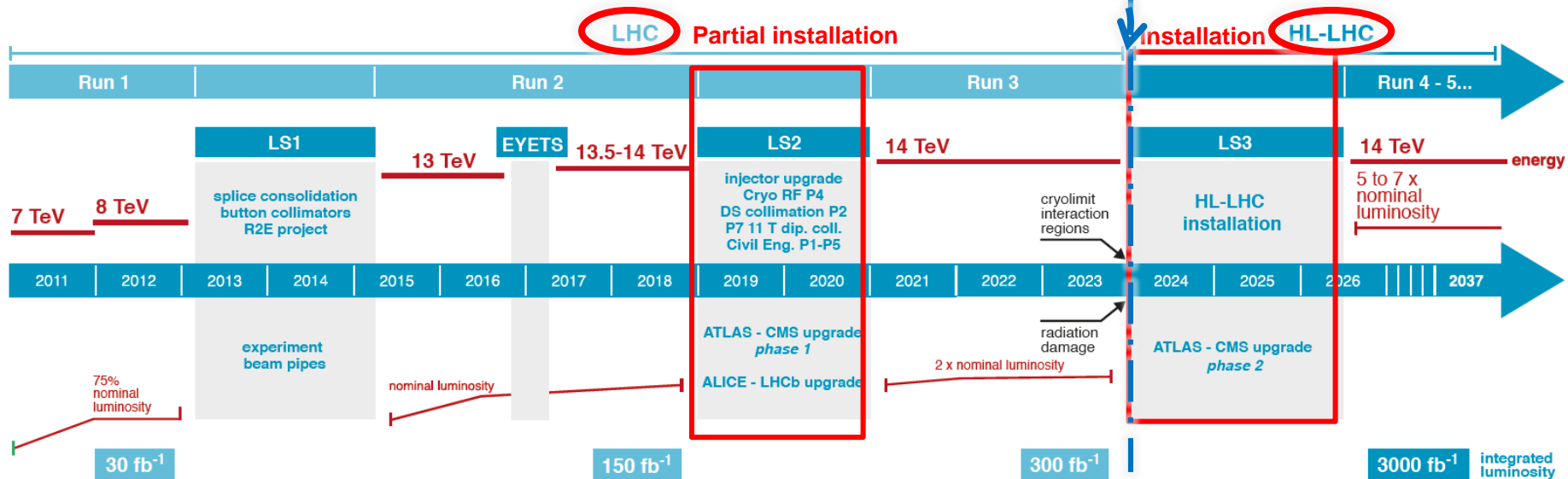
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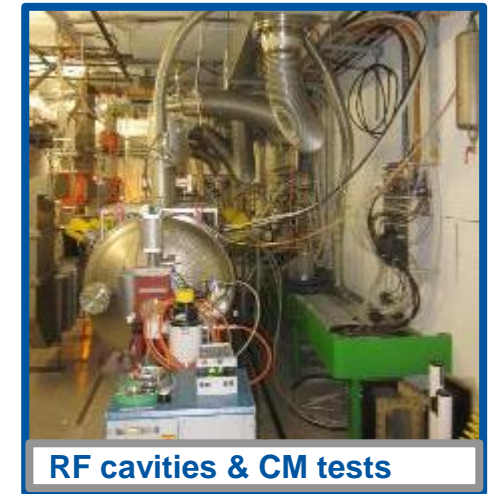
SM18 : CERN main facility for testing SC accelerator magnets and SC RF cavities

SM18 cryo infrastructure is being significantly upgraded (starting in 2019) to meet requirements for :

- LHC High Luminosity project (HL LHC)
- R&D program for SC magnets
- RF equipment until 2023 and beyond



- **5 vertical magnet cryostats :**
HFM, CLUSTER D, SIEGTAL,
LONG, DIODES (80K, 4.5 K, 1.9 K)
- **10 Horizontal test benches
for magnets** (80K, 4.5 K, 1.9 K)
- **1 test bench for SC Link :**
(30 - 4.5 K, 2 ~ 15g/s)
- **4 test benches for RF
cavities :** V3, V4, V5, V6
(4.5 K, 1.9 K)
- **2 test benches for
Cryomodules :** M7, M9
(80K, 4.5 K, 1.9 K)
- **1 independent test Bench :**
Eu HIT GReC (10 - 4.5K)



SOME DEVICE OF THE CRYOGENIC INFRASTRUCTURE CURRENTLY IN OPERATION

6kW Linde Cold Box

27g/s (~700L/h)
@4.5K



Purification units

3 x 130 Nm³/h
Burckardt recovery
compressors +
2 Purifiers with 200
Nm³/h total at 180 bars
+ 5 balloons



2 x Very Low Pressure unit (called WPU)

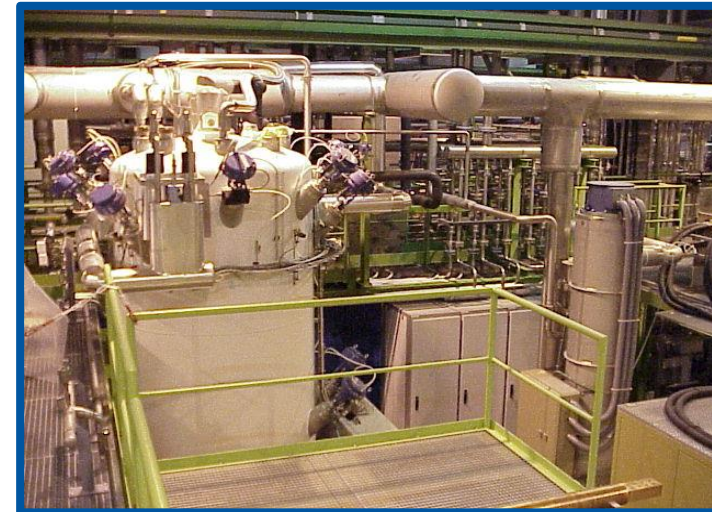
Values per WPU unit :
6 g/s @ 10 mbar
12 g/s @ 20 mbar
18 g/s @ 30 mbar (max)



Cool down - warm up unit (CWU)

2 x CWU 80g/s –
2 x 120kW @80K

With 3 Kaesers
compressors



- Crab RF cavities

- Standalone magnets

- Dipole magnets :

LHC ⇒ long 8.3 Tesla Dipole magnets

14.3 m long 8.3T NbTi supercond. Main Bending dipole (MB),

Contain 2 beam channels in a common structure,

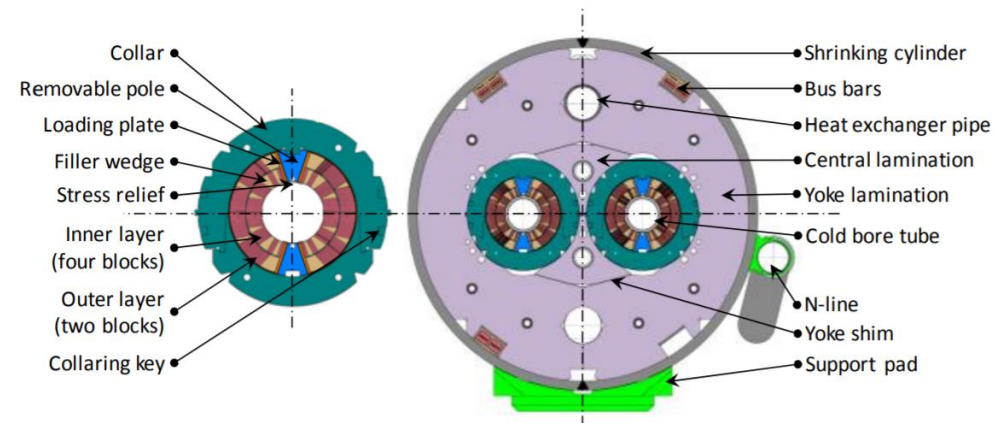
Produce the magnetic field to deflect 7 TeV protons along a circular trajectory

HiLumi LHC ⇒ short 11 Tesla Dipole magnets

Upgrade of the LHC includes additional collimators in the LHC lattice.

The longitudinal space for the collimators will be obtained by replacing some LHC main dipoles with shorter but stronger dipoles,

leading to development of 5.5 m long 11T Nb₃Sn dipole (MBH)



- Superconducting link (Cables & current leads)

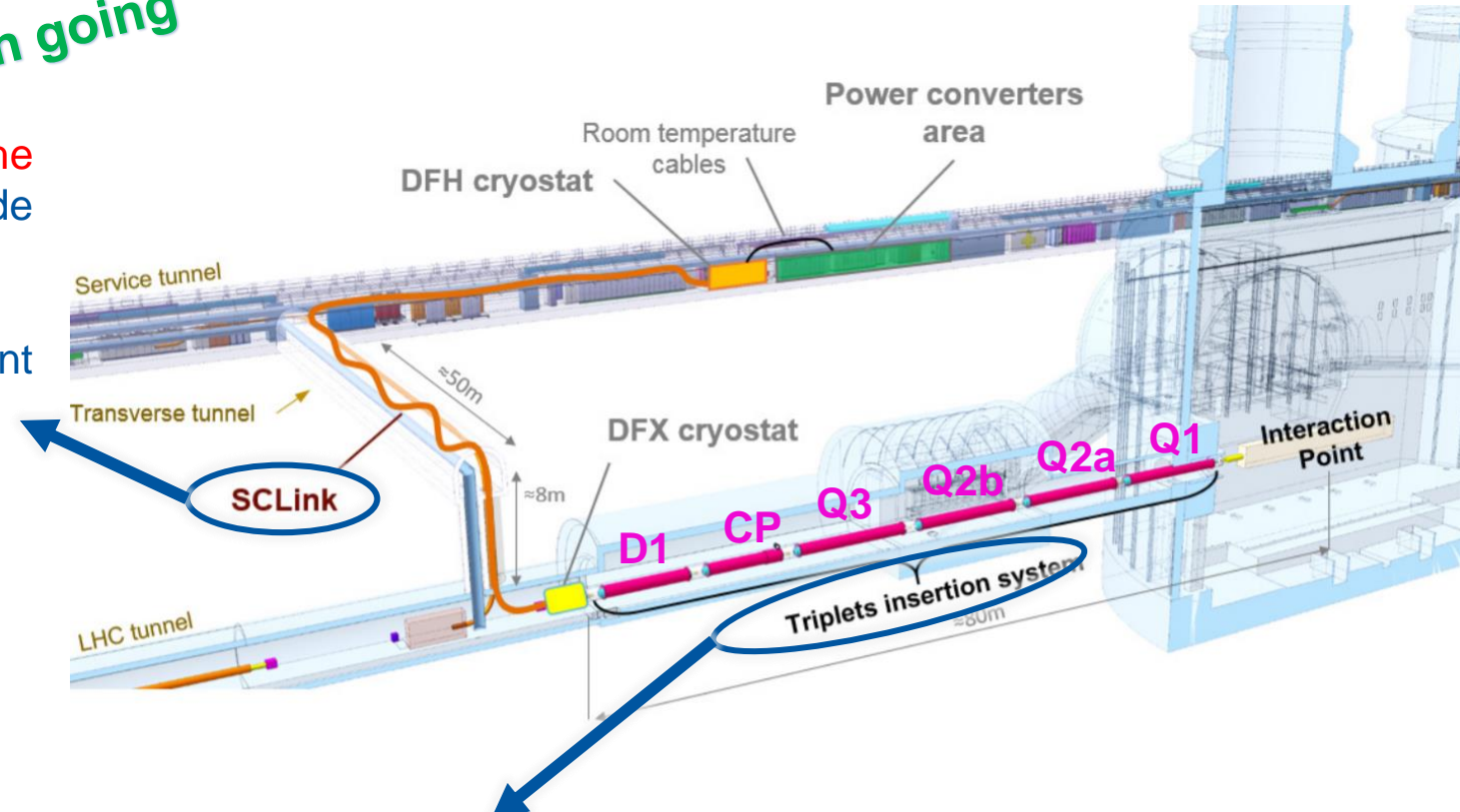
On going

New SC lines for the feeding of magnets :
 Power converters in surface and **transfer of the current from the surface to the tunnel** will be made via SC links

SC links contain tens of cables feeding different circuits and transferring more than 150 kA

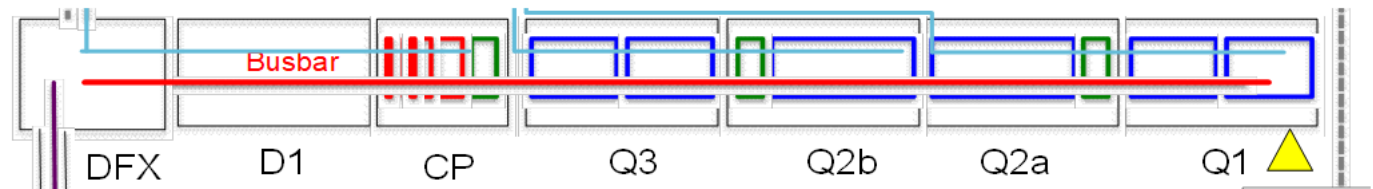
MgB2 cables and high temperature SC

“Conceptual study of the cryostats for the cold powering system for the triplets of the High Luminosity LHC”, A . Ballarino (CERN)



- Inner Triplet magnets **Project**

Nb3Sn technology - peak field of 11.4 T
 2 outer quadrupoles, Q1 & Q3 +
 central one divided into 2 identical magnets,
 Q2a and Q2b



HL LHC String will be a **new test stand** to validate the collective behaviour of a structure including **IT magnets**

*“HL-LHC IT STRING TEST”, M. Bajko,
 LHC Performance Workshop 2018 Chamonix*

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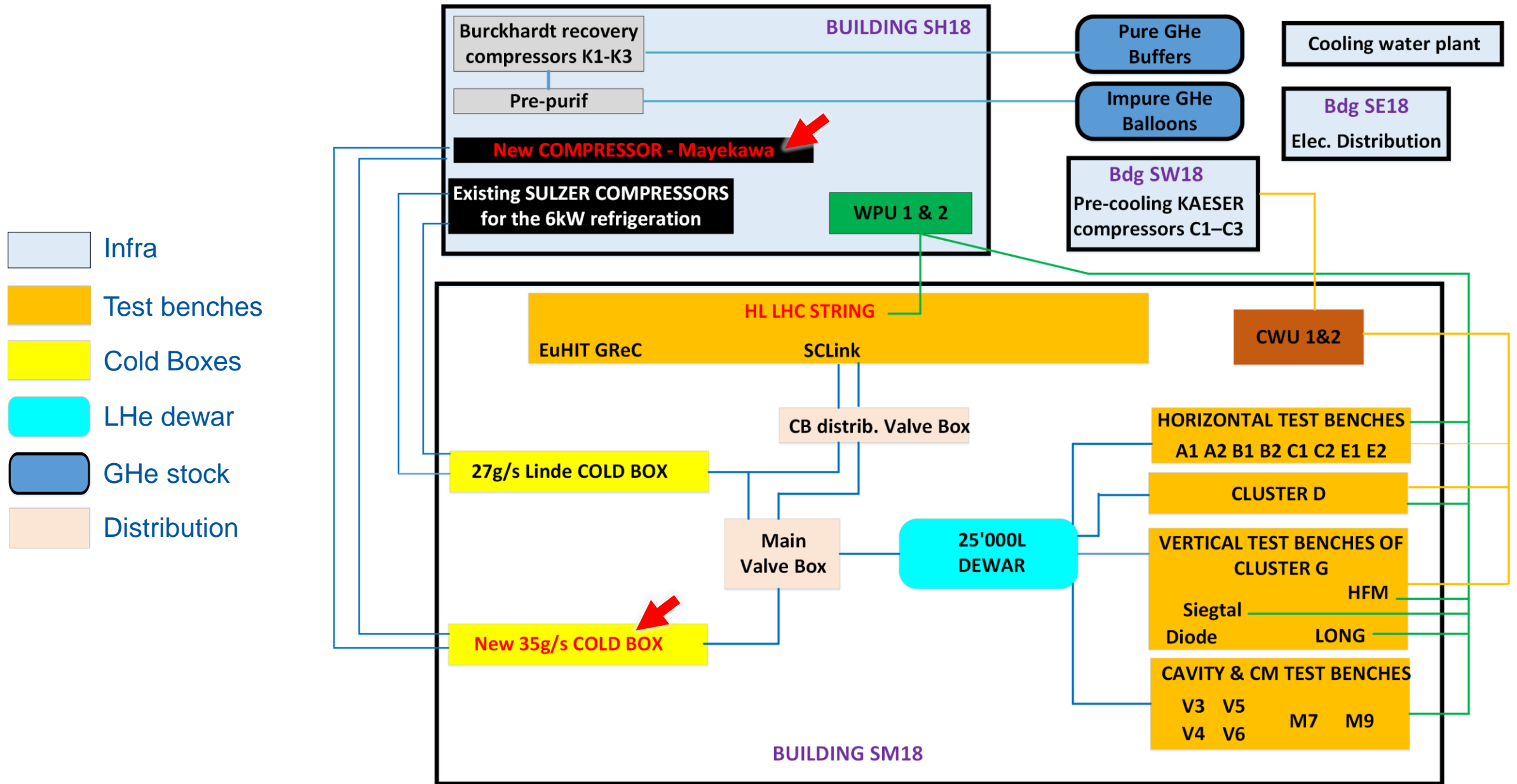
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SCHEMATIC LAYOUT OF THE SM18 CRYO INFRASTRUCTURE AFTER UPGRADE



SM18 NEW COLD BOX & MAYEKAWA COMPRESSOR



Mechanical Integration, Elec & Control System held at Linde Kryotechnik AG

**Transport and arrival at the SM18
2019 MAY, 14**



**Cold Box installed
2019 MAY, 15**



Mayekawa CP reception March, 26



Mayekawa in SH18

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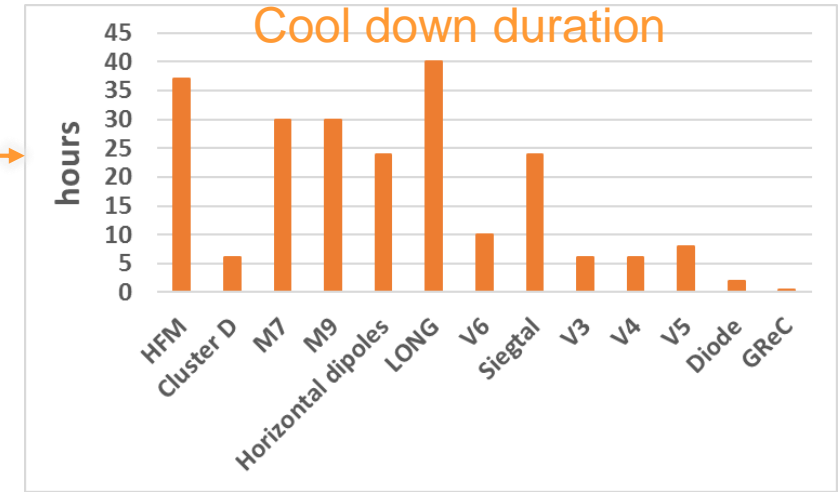
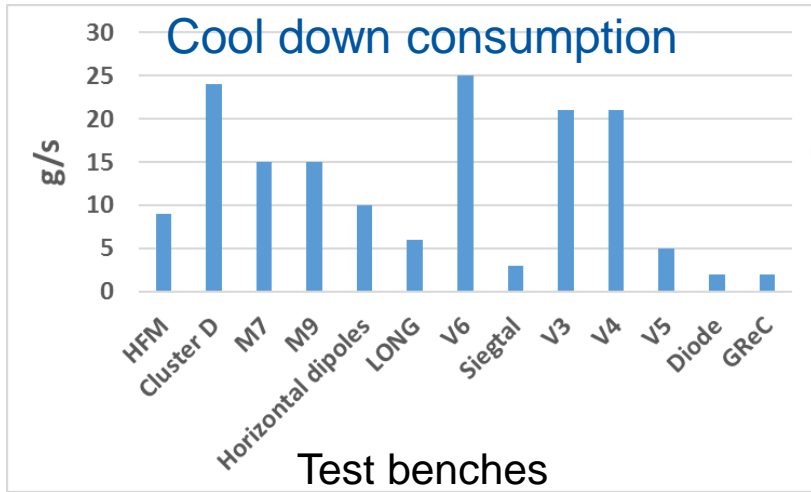
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SM18 CRYOPLANT GENERAL KEY FIGURES : AFTER UPGRADE

| Sytem | Characteristics |
|---------------------------------|---|
| EXISTING 6kW CB – “LINDE A” | 27g/s (~700L/h) @4.5K |
| NEW Linde CB – “LINDE B” | 35g/s (~1000L/h) @4.5K |
| Process compression station | 3 Stal He compressors (350 g/s @19 bar), 1.6 MW elec. power + ORS + new MAYEKAWA compressor (main drive motor of 1.4 MW) |
| Very Low Pressure Pumping (WPU) | 2 warm pumping units, each one : 6 g/s @ 10 mbar 12 g/s @ 20 mbar 18 g/s @ 30 mbar (max) To each WPU is dedicated a very low pressure heater of 32 kW (20g/s) |
| Pre-cooling to 80K | 2 x CWU (80g/s - 2 x 120kW @80K) - With 3 Kaesers compressors |
| GHe Purification | 5 x 80 m ³ Balloons at 1 bar (3 Burckardt recovery compressors + 2 Purifiers 200 Nm ³ /h at 180 bars) |
| Pure GHe storage | 8 x 75m ³ @18 bars |
| LHe storage | 1 x 25 m ³ LHe storage at 1.6 bar (+ 1x 10 m ³ mobile) |
| LN2 storage | 50'000L Dewar |

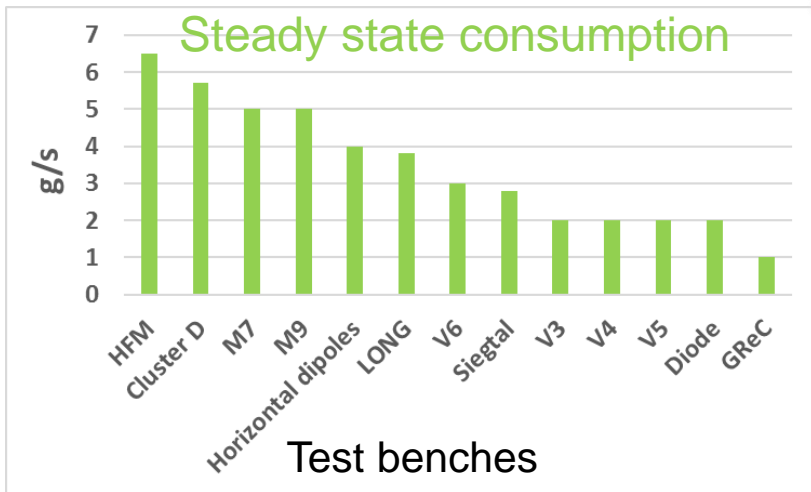
LHe CONSUMPTION



The cool down

The steady states

The Quench recovery



- **New 35g/s CB will significantly increase LHe capacity**
- The 27g/s CB will be dedicated to **HL LHC String** and could complement the **Dewar** for other test benches

| EQUIPMENT | LHe FLOW FOR QUENCH RECOVERY | QUENCH RECOVERY TIME |
|--------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| | [g/s] | [h] |
| HFM | 12 | 4 |
| Cluster D | 12 | 4 |
| Horizontal dipoles | 14 | 2.25 |
| LONG | 6.8 | 2 |

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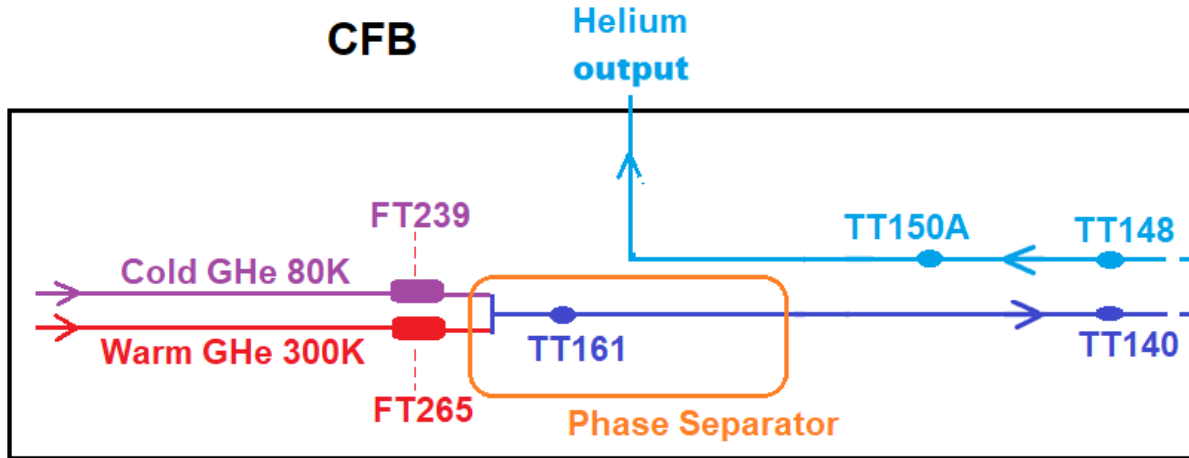
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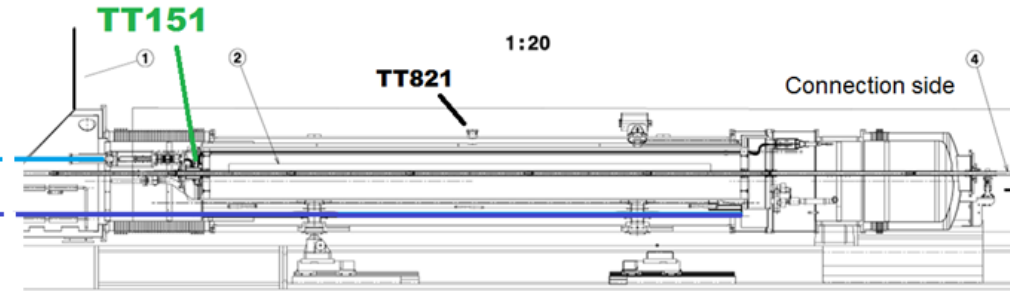
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AUTOMATED ΔT CONTROL FOR Nb₃Sn 11Tesla MAGNETS IN THE 80 – 300K RANGE

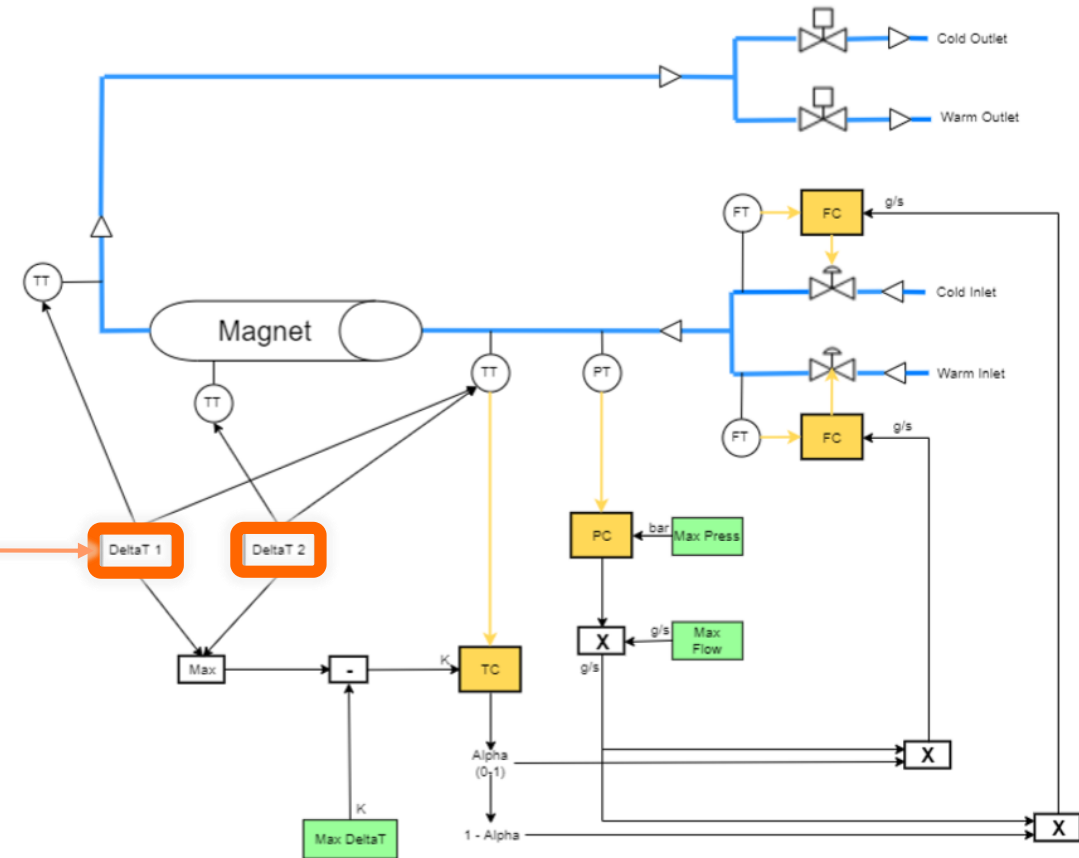
CFB



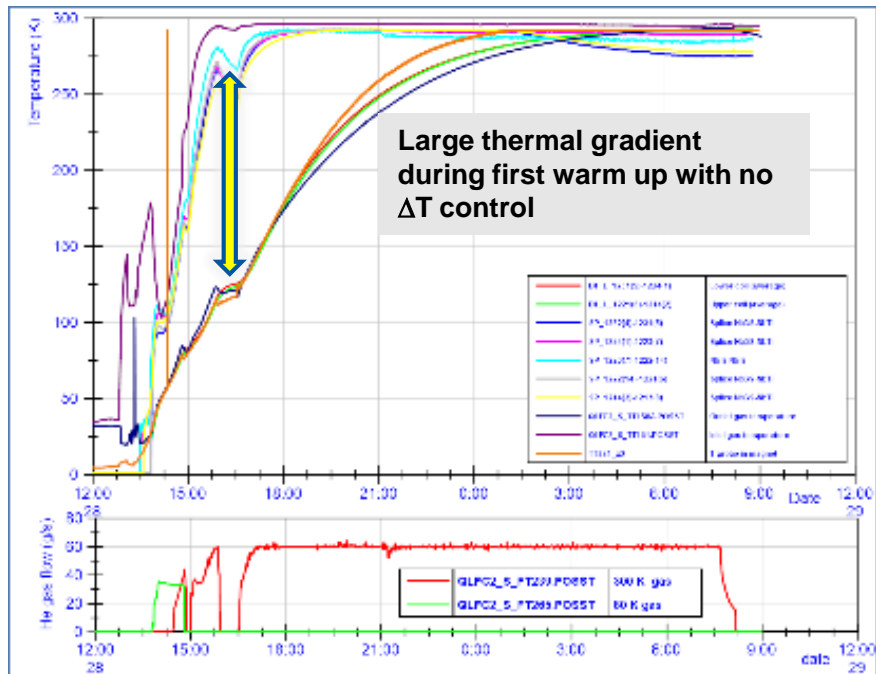
MAGNET



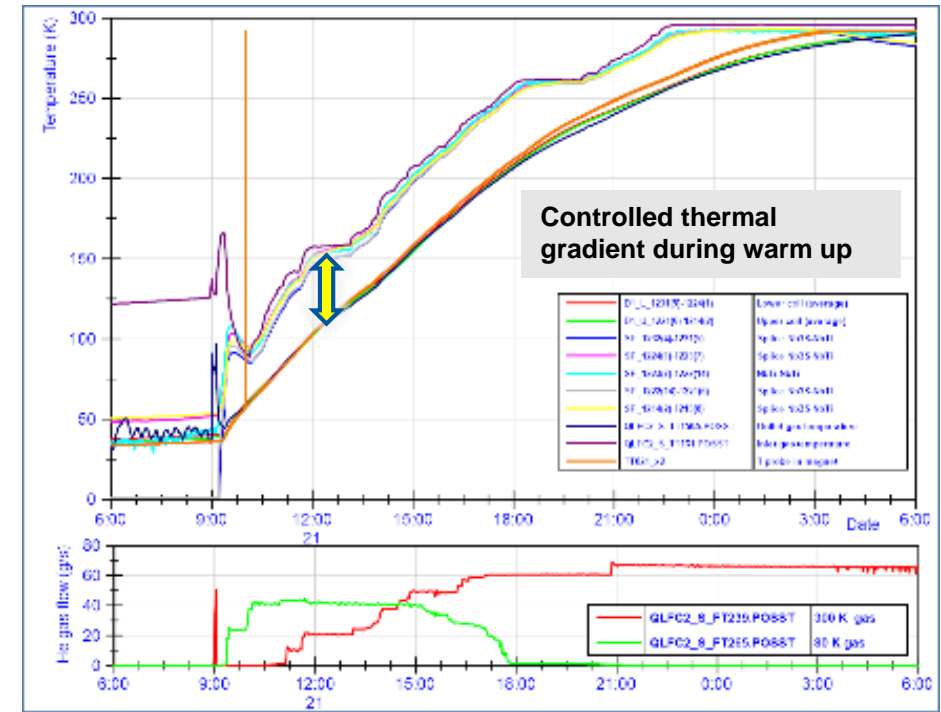
- Installation of a new PT100 (**TT151**) close to the magnet cold mass
- Installation/replacement of TTs by new CERNOX in the CFB
- Upgrade of Flow Transmitters (FT) : calibration & control
- Circulation into the magnet shield to smooth the cool down/warm up
- Continuous regulation of the ΔT with regulation loops



COOL DOWN & WARM UP PROCESS IMPROVEMENT



Nb₃Sn magnet warm up using mainly 300K gas and same process than NbTi magnet



Controlled warm up using mixing 300 and 80 K gas to respect $\Delta T < 30K$ on critical points

The ΔT control has been implemented in automated process by TE-CRG and successfully applied for the MBHB-02 11Tesla series magnet early July 2019

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The upgrade of the cryogenic system at the SM18 gives the possibility to :

- Increase the global LHe capacity for the Magnets and RF cavity tests
- Ease Quenches recovery for Magnet tests
- Allow one CB/Compressor system to be under maintenance while the LHe supply to Dewar can continue
⇒ Operation flexibility & Redudancy in case of major issue

