



# LHC experiment cryogenics

**Cooling methods of the large super-  
conducting magnets for LHC  
experiments**

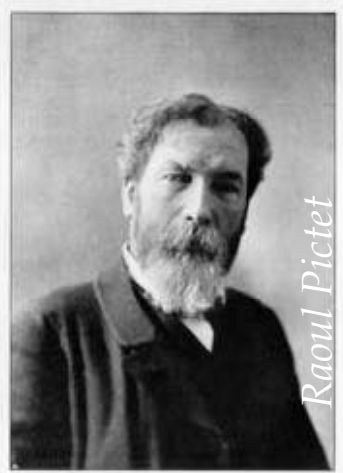


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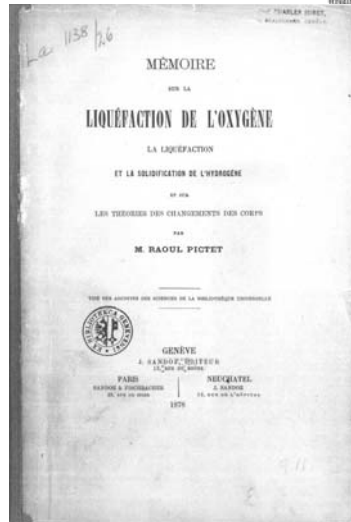


# Geneva 1877



Raoul Pictet

(1846-1929)



Pictet's apparatus for the liquefaction of oxygen  
on the site of the  
« Société genevoise de construction d'instruments de physique »

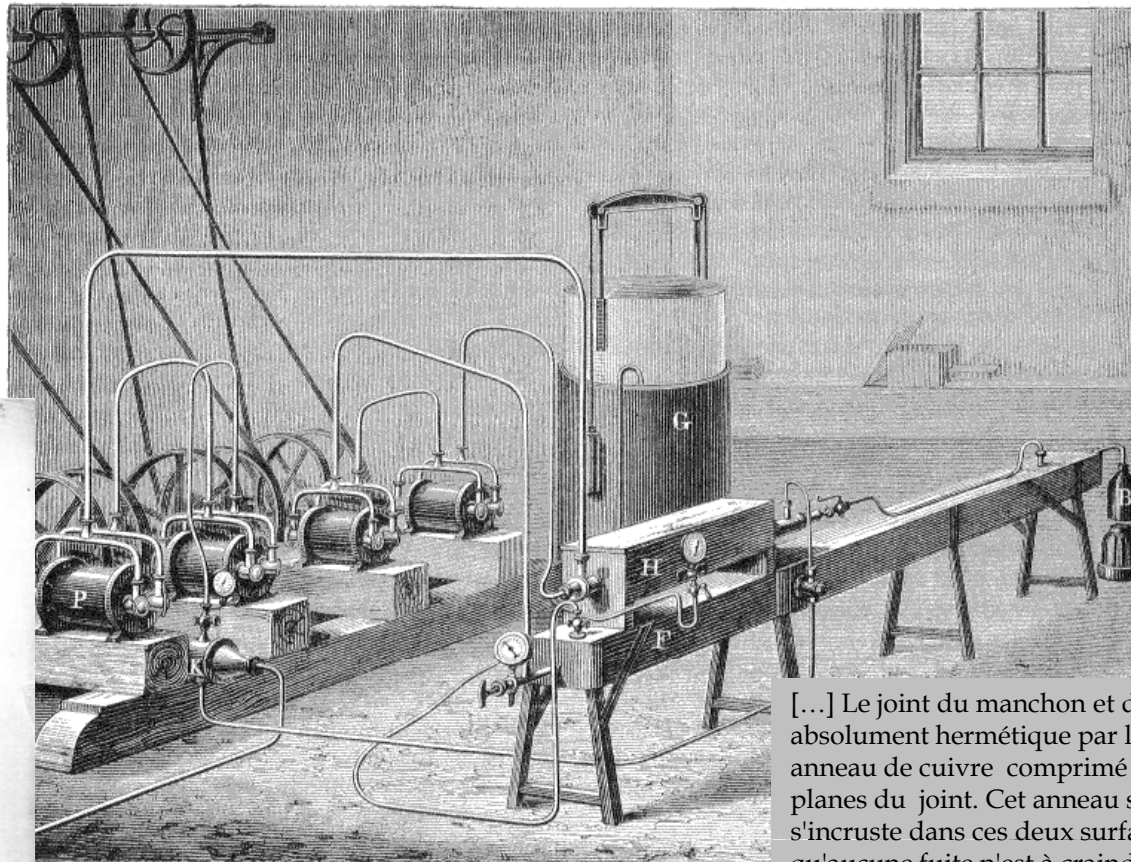


Fig. 1. — Grand appareil de M. Raoul Pictet pour la liquéfaction des gaz.

[...] Le joint du manchon et du manomètre est rendu absolument hermétique par le serrage à bloc d'un anneau de cuivre comprimé entre les deux surfaces planes du joint. Cet anneau s'aplatit légèrement et s'incruste dans ces deux surfaces d'une façon si intime qu'aucune fuite n'est à craindre. [...] *extrait de R. Pictet: Mémoires sur la Liquéfaction de l'Oxygène (1878)*



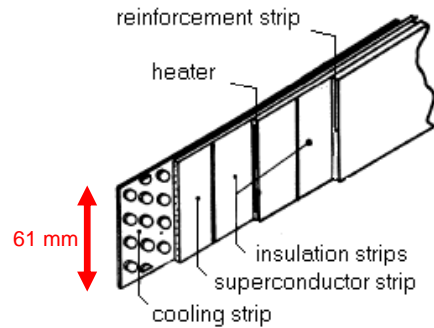
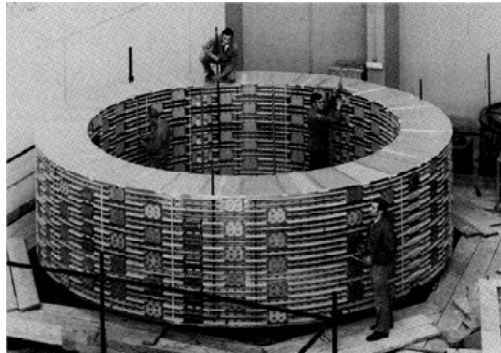
Théodore Turrettini

(1845-1916)



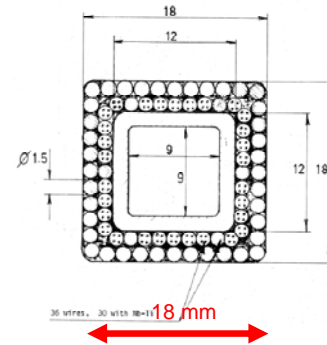
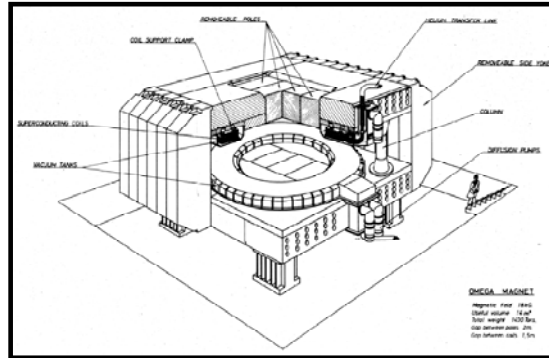
# CERN – BEBC to LEP

### BEBC (1972)



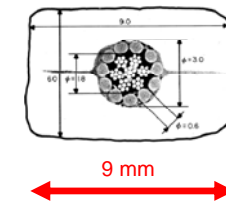
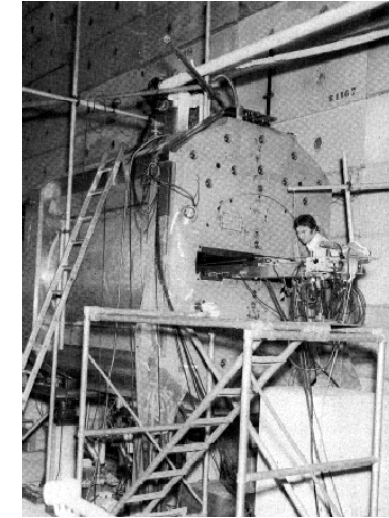
immersion

### OMEGA (1973)



supercritical He  
with re-cooling

### ISR (1976)

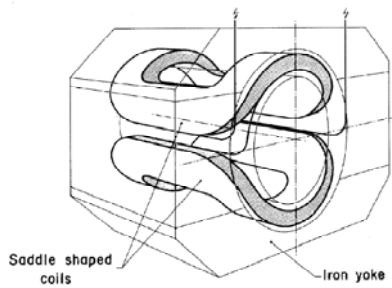


immersion



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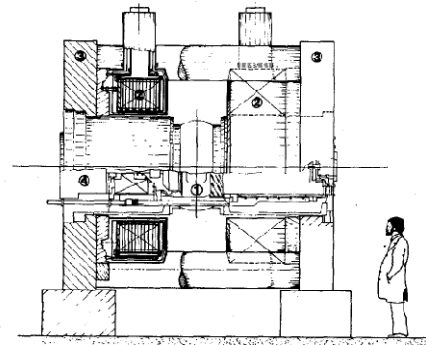
Dipole (1978)



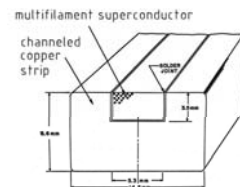
18 mm

forced 2-phase flow

M1-EHS (1980)



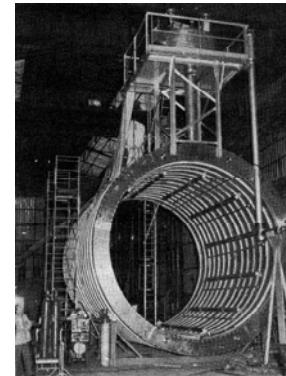
- ① R.C.B.C.
- ② COILS
- ③ IRON YOKE
- ④ EXPANSION SYSTEM



14.8 mm

immersion

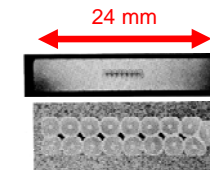
ALEPH (1987)



35 mm

thermosiphon

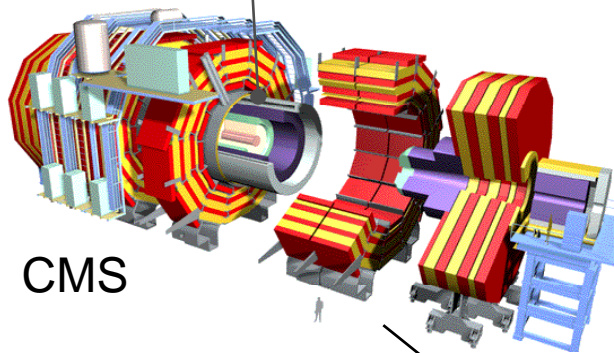
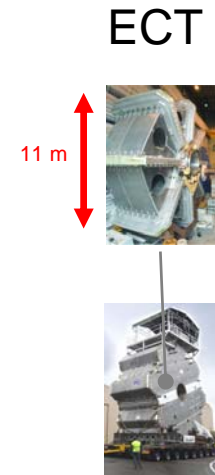
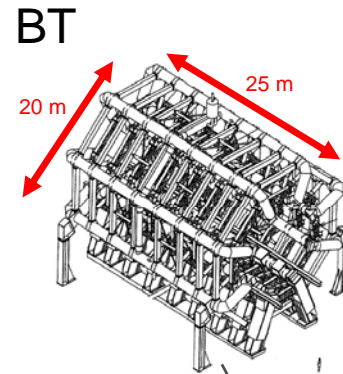
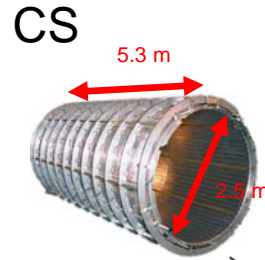
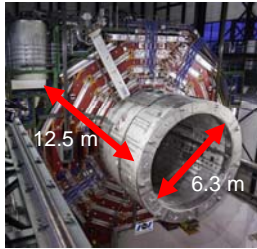
DELPHI (1988)



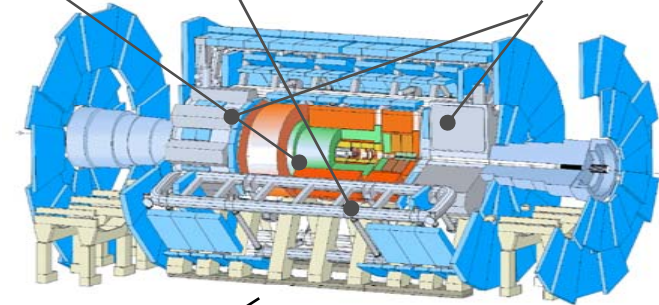
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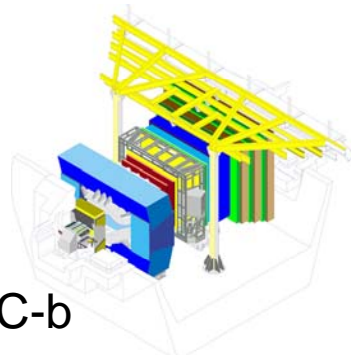
# CERN - LHC



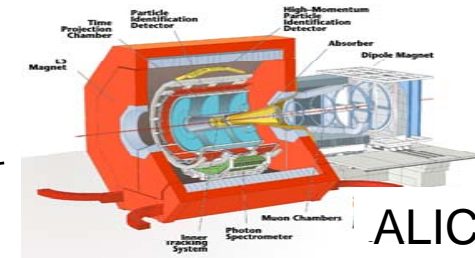
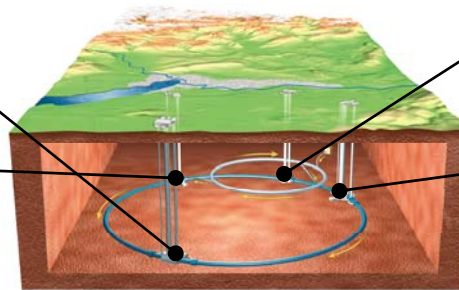
CMS



ATLAS



LHC-b

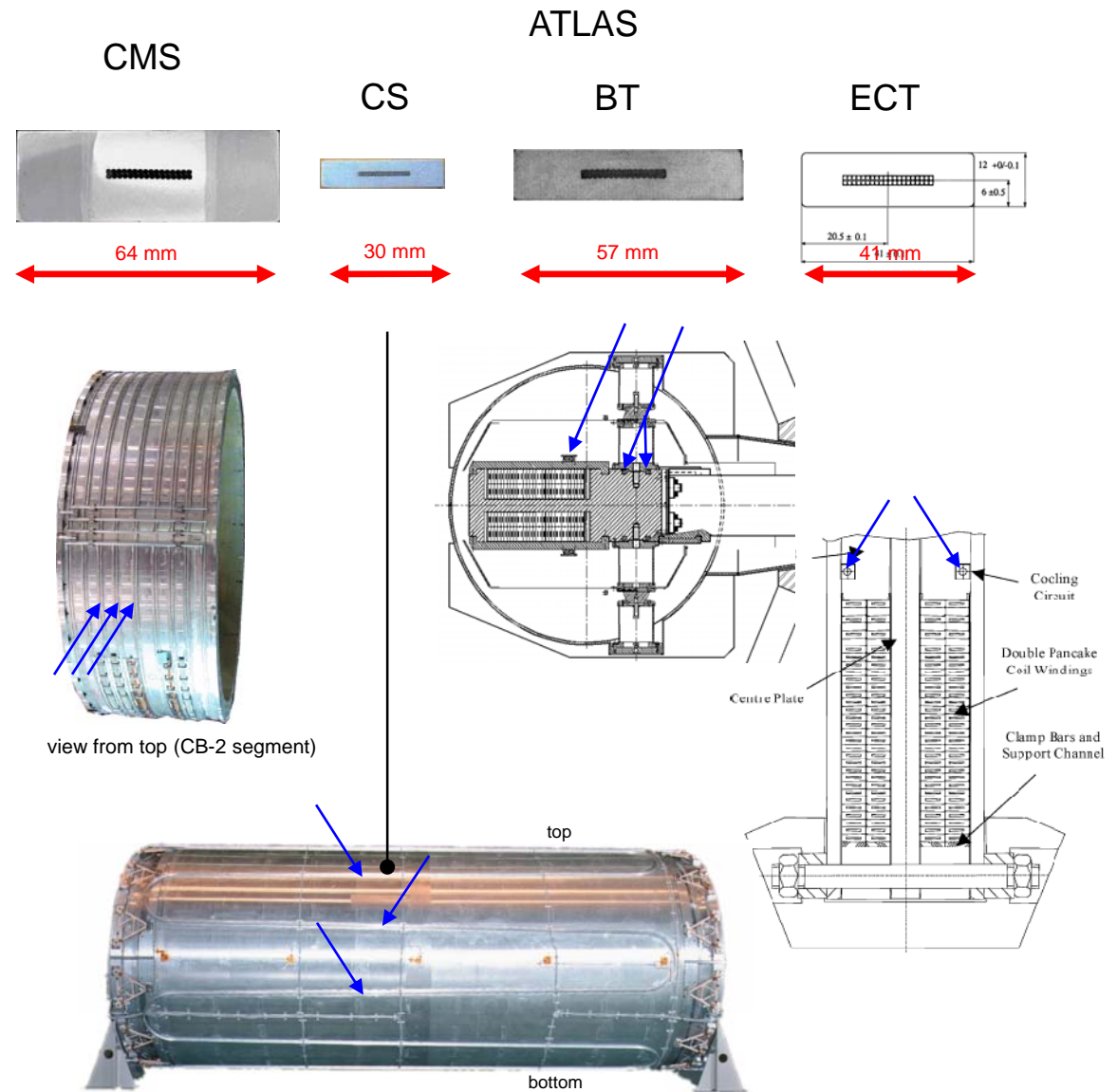


ALICE



# What is similar? I

- composite Al-stabilized conductors
- indirect cooling via the coil support
- operation temperature 4.5-4.8K
- cool-down with a maximum temperature gradient of 40K

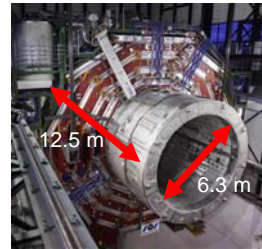




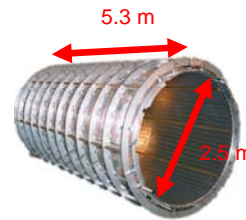
# What is similar? II

## ➤ materials and bonding

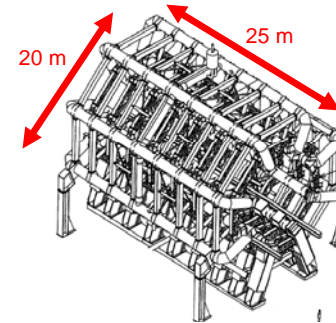
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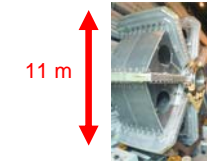
ATLAS-CS



ATLAS-BT



ATLAS-ECT



Coil support	Al 5083 H321	Al 5083	Al 5083	Al 5083
Cooling channels	Al 6060 T5 welded on	Al 6063 welded on	Al 1070 glued on	Al 6061 T4 glued on
Shield	Al 3003 H22	Al	Al 3003 H22	Al 5083
Shield cooling channels	Al 6082 welded on	Al 6063 welded on	Al 1070 welded on	Al 1070 welded on

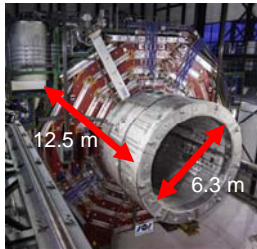




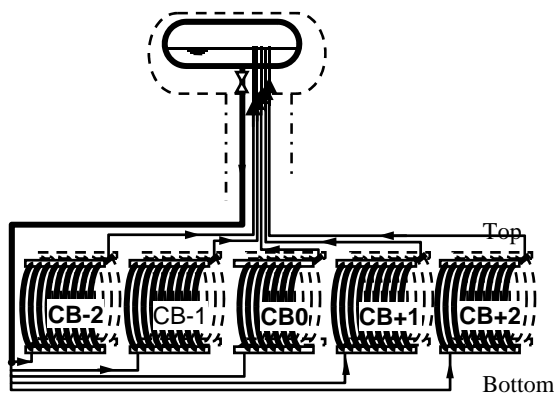
# Where are the differences? I

## ➤ the helium circulation

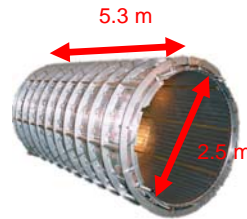
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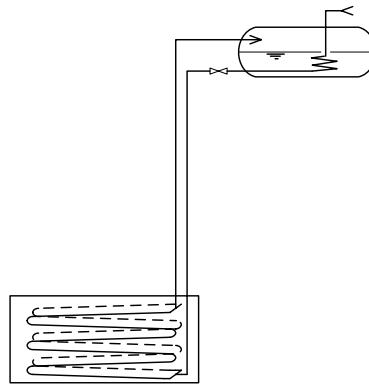
thermosiphon  
details in presentation  
by P. Bredy



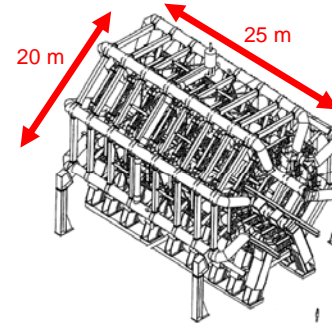
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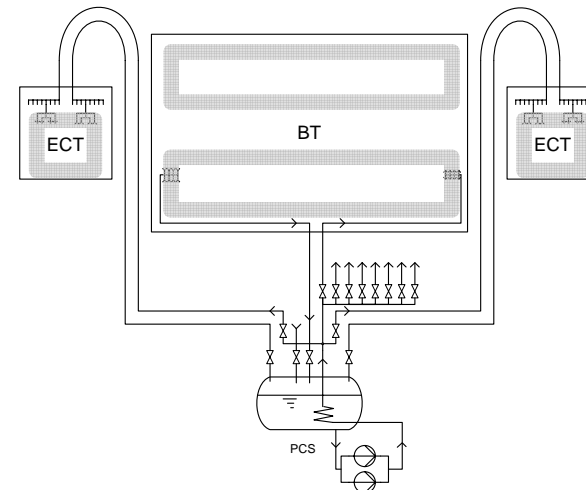
forced 2-phase flow  
+ thermosiphon  
up to 7g/s driven by refrigerator



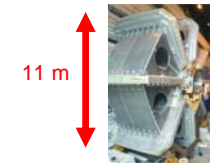
ATLAS-BT



common forced 2-phase flow  
BT 700 g/s + ECT 2 x 250 g/s  
driven by helium pump



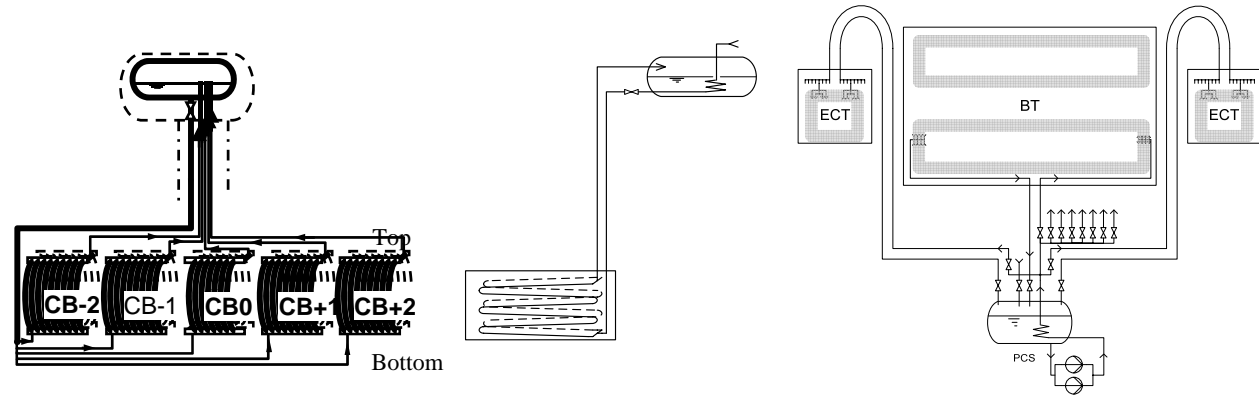
ATLAS-ECT





# Where are the differences? II

## ➤ the helium circulation

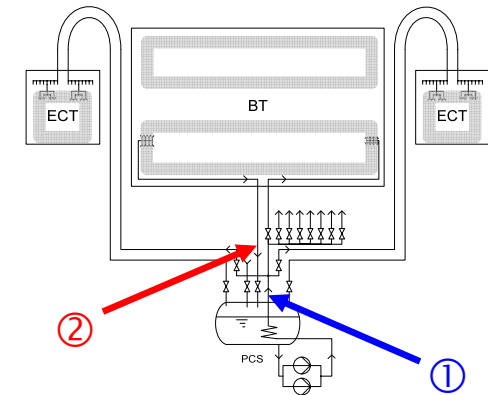
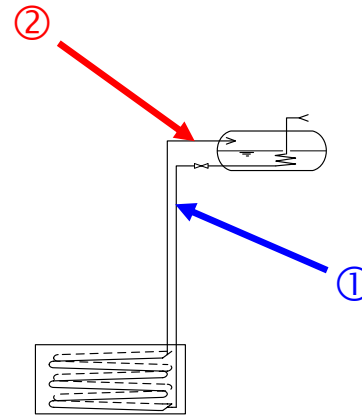
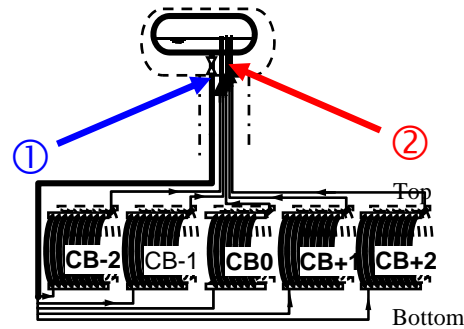


	<b>CMS</b>	<b>ATLAS-CS</b>	<b>ATLAS-BT/ECT</b>
static heat load	180 W	11 W	BT 8x 80 W+ ECT 2x 200W
max. height difference	12 m	13 m	20 m
cooling pipe dimensions	○ 14 / 20 mm	◎ 18 / 24 mm	BT ○ 14 / 20 mm ECT ◎ 15.7 / 24 mm
phase separator vol.	800 l	280 l	4600 l
LHe inventory – phase sep.	150 l	180 l	2700 l
LHe inventory – cool. pipes	355 l	30 l	BT 800 l + ECT 500 l



# Where are the differences? III

## ➤ the helium circulation

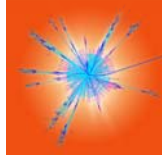


	CMS	ATLAS-CS	ATLAS-BT/ECT
① $p_1; T_1;$ $X_1$	1,25 bar; 4,4 K (sat.) 0 %	1,35 bar; 4,5 K (2-ph.) 5 %	1,7 bar; 4,65 K (subc.) 0 %
mass flow	<u>200-400 g/s</u>	< 7 g/s	700 g/s + 500 g/s
② $p_2; T_2;$ $X_2$	1,25 bar; 4,4 K (2-ph.) <u>up to 10 %</u>	1,3 bar; 4,5 K <u>up to 33 %</u>	1,67 bar; 4,8 K <u>up to 8 %</u>

■ values variate in dependency of the heat load (static load, dynamic load)



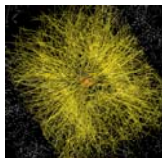
# Conclusion



Four new superconducting magnets have been built for the LHC experiments thanks to an extensive collaboration in between CERN, external institutes and industrial suppliers. The new magnets surpass anything built before at CERN and elsewhere.



The magnet cooling methods have been chosen in dependency of the magnet design. They represent a consistent development of the technologies and experiences gained from previous projects at CERN.



The cooling systems have been designed and built for the long term operation.



# Collaboration and Suppliers

- ATLAS collaboration
  - CEA Saclay, Gif-sur-Yvette, France
  - CERN, Geneva, Switzerland
  - CMS collaboration
  - INFN, Genova, Italy
  - KEK, Tsukuba, Ibaraki, Japan
  - INFN-LASA, Milan, Italy
  - JINR Dubna
  - NIKHEF, The Netherlands
  - Rutherford Appleton Laboratory, Chilton, Didcot, UK
  
  - probably incomplete
- Alstom Switzerland
  - Ansaldo
  - Austrian Aerospace
  - Criotec Impianti
  - EAS (VAC)
  - Felguera CM
  - Furukawa Co. Ltd.
  - Hatehof
  - Hitachi Co. Ltd.
  - Nihon Sanso Co. Ltd.
  - Outokumpu (EM)
  - Schelde Exotech
  - Taiyo Keisoku Co. Ltd.
  - Technicatome
  - Toshiba Co. Ltd.
  - Yokogawa AIM Co. Ltd.
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