Development of a Frozen Spin Target for CLAS

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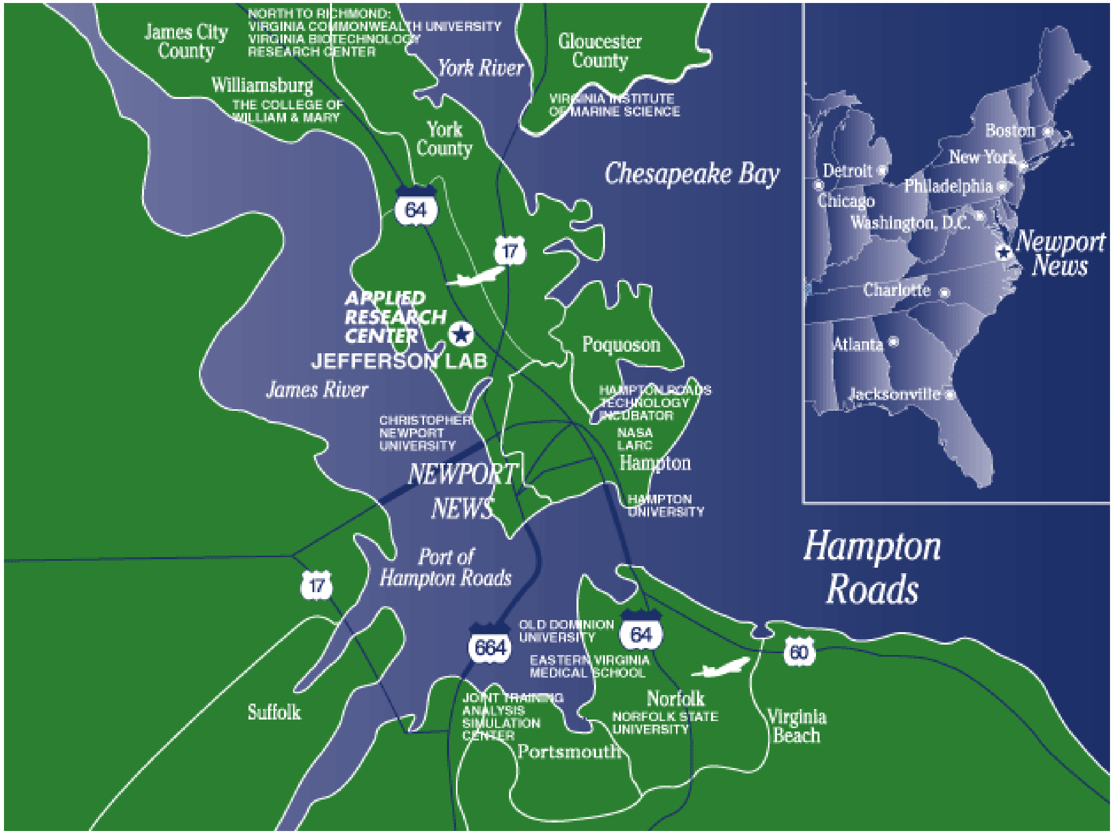
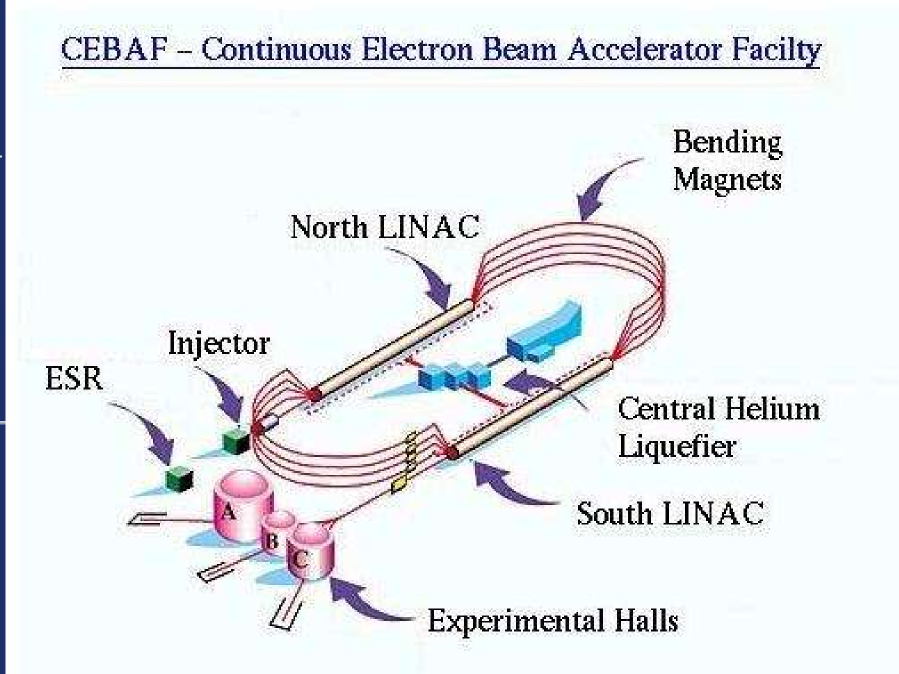


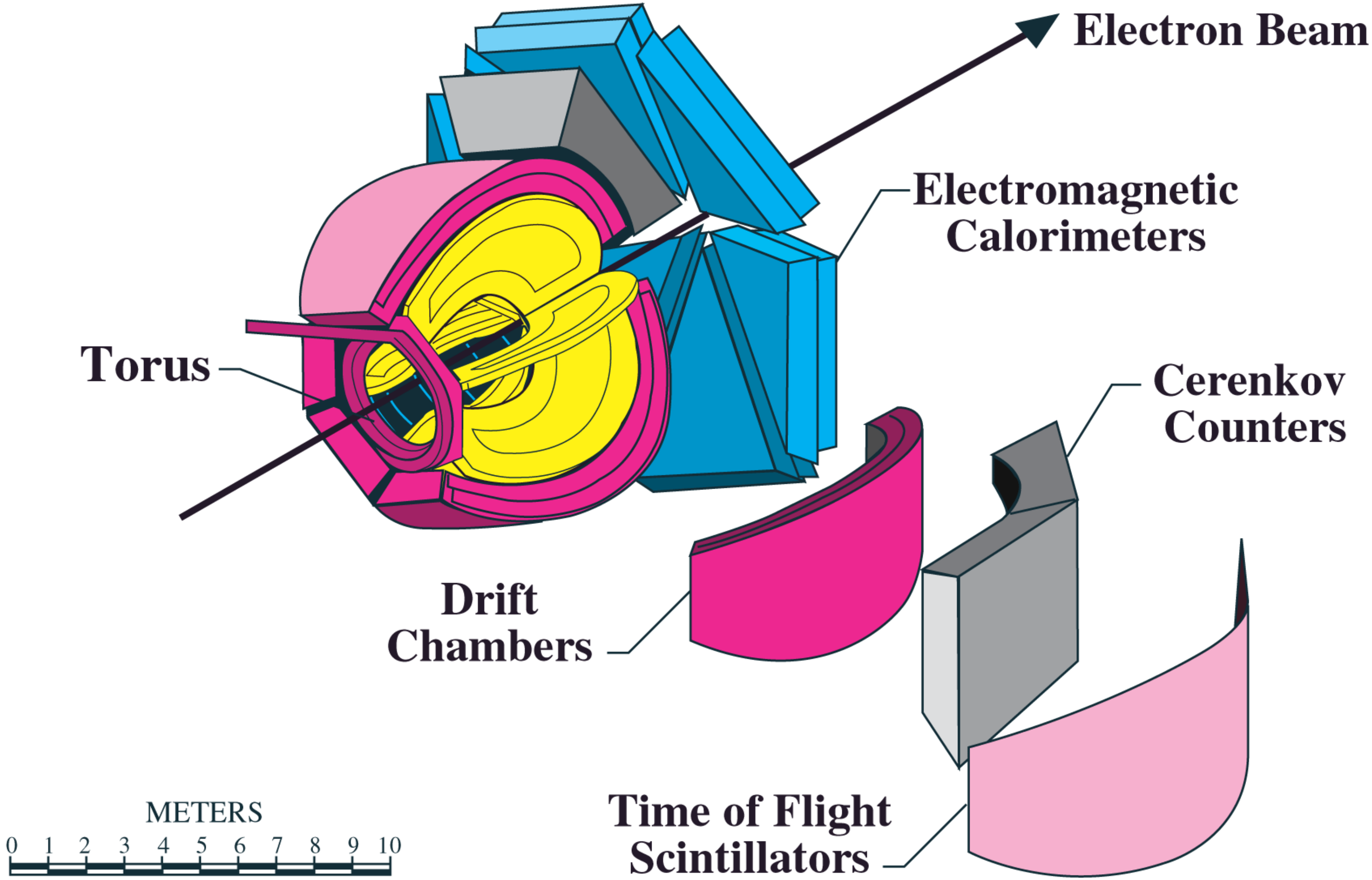


Jefferson Lab Milestones

1976 CEBAF proposed
1983 DOE awards contract to SURA
1987 Groundbreaking for accelerator
1993 1st Experiments commence
1996 Name changed to Th. Jefferson Nat'l Accelerator Facility
1997 5-pass beam (4 GeV) simultaeously delivered to all 3 Halls
2000 6 GeV enhanced design goal met

LARGE ACCEPTANCE SPECTROMETER

Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility



The Conventional Hall B Polarized Target

Protons (and deuterons) in $^{15}NH_3$ ($^{15}ND_3$) are **continuously** polarized by 140 GHz microwaves at 5 Tesla, 1 Kelvin

Used for several experiments (beam current ~ 3 nA) over a 10 month period during 1999, and 2000-2001

Proton polarization: ~75 - 85%
Deuteron polarization: ~25 - 35%

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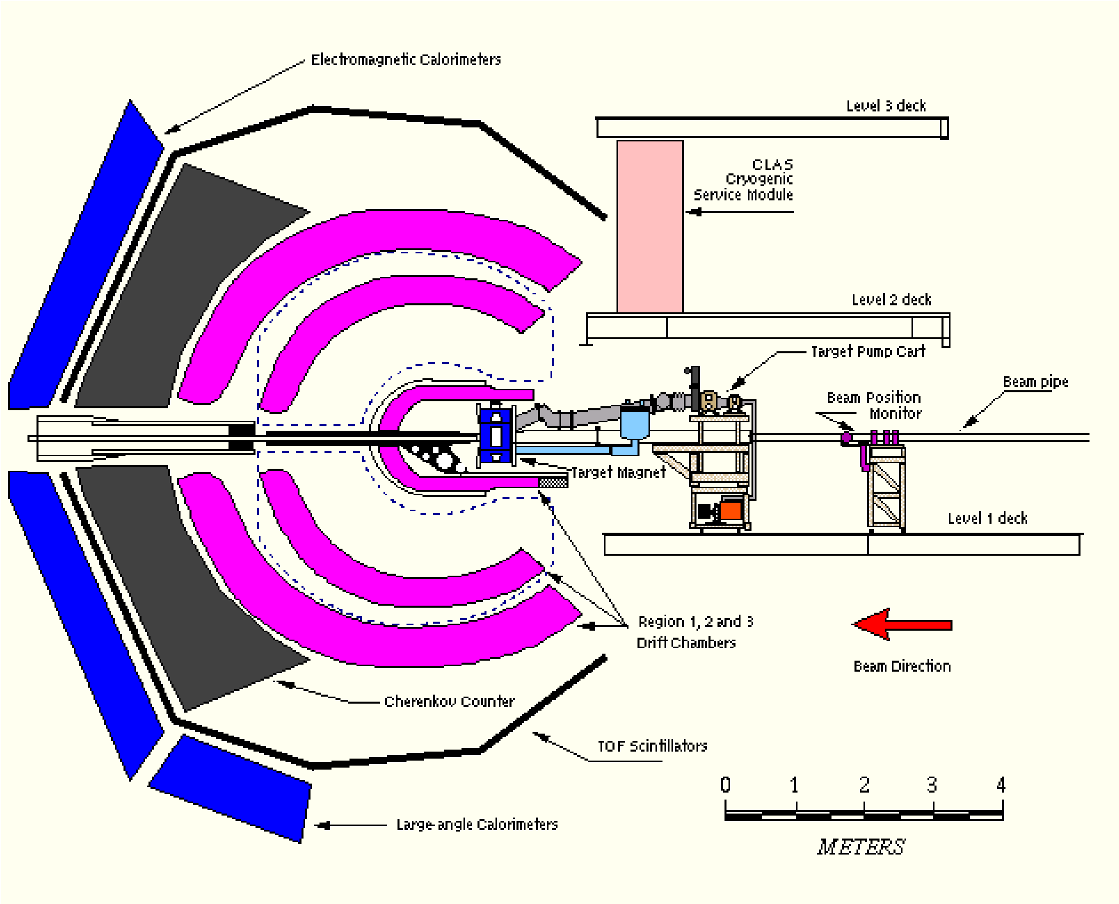

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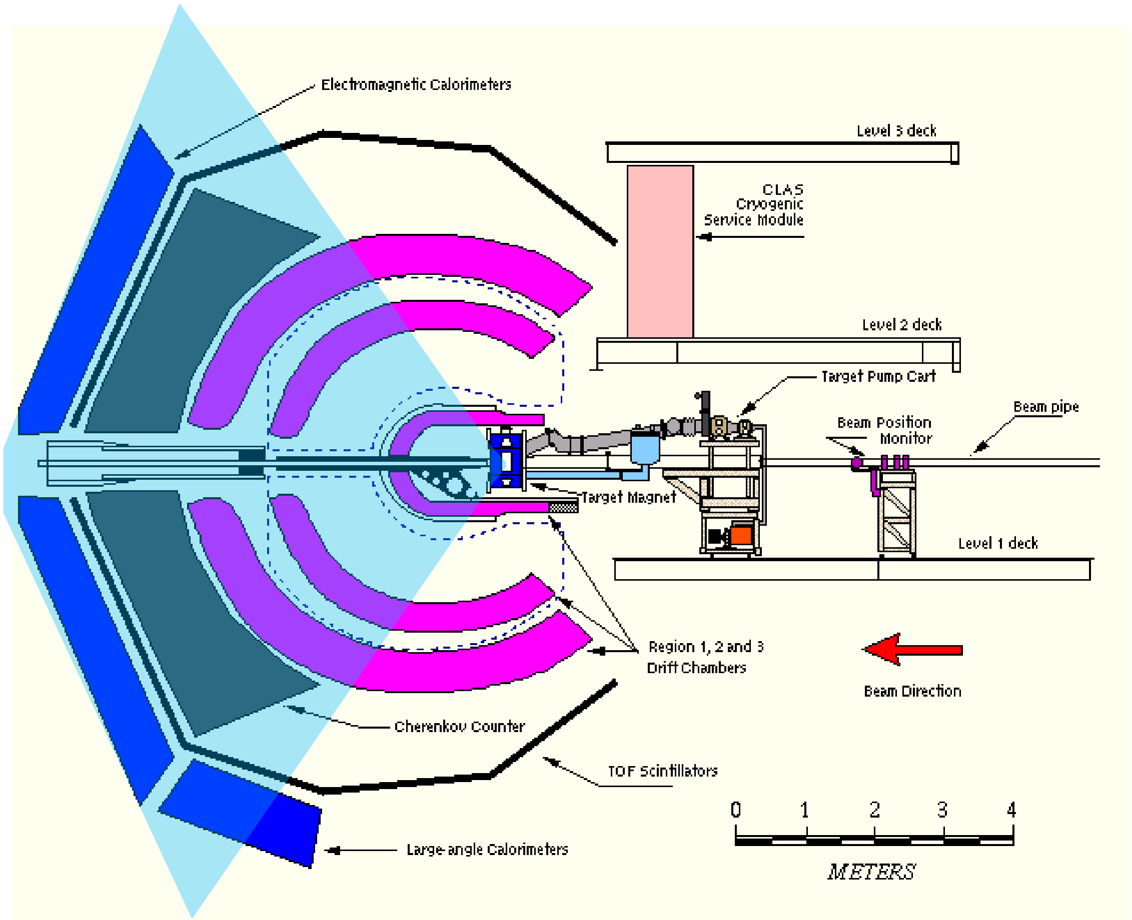


Problem:

We have a "4π" detector. We need a "4π" target!

Frozen Spin Polarized Targets

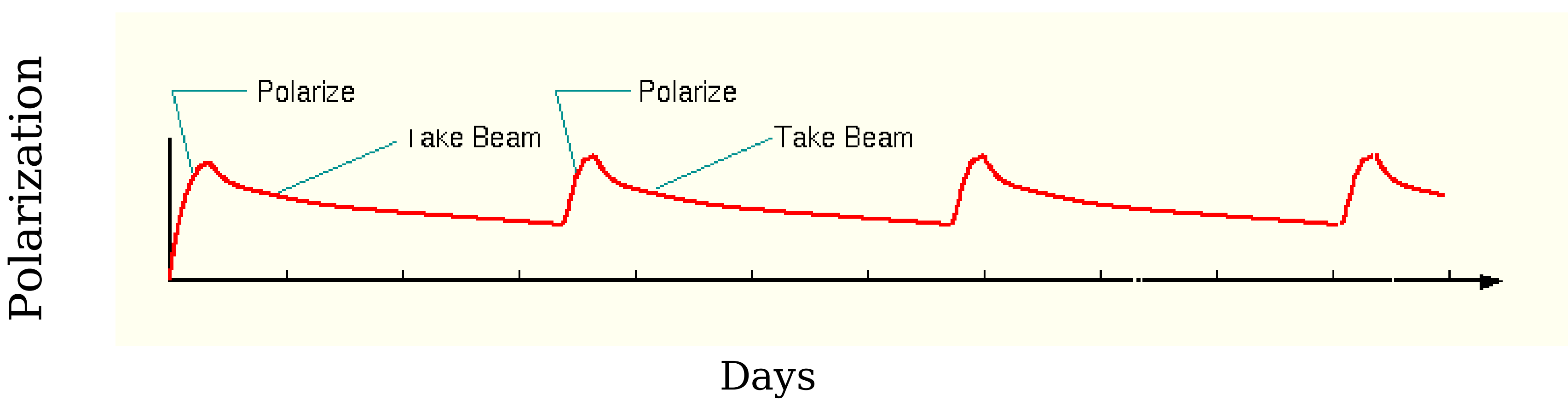
Two steps

1. Polarize target material (NH_3, C_4H_9OH, ^6LiD, ...) at high field (2.5 – 5.0 T) and moderate temperature (.2 - .4 K)

2. Reduce target temperature to ~ 50 mK, and hold polarization with reduced field (0.3 – 0.5 T)

The target polarization then decays exponentially during the data acquisition phase of the experiment.

The target must be re-polarized (step 1) every few days.



Specifications for the Hall B Frozen Spin Target

Beam: Tagged photons

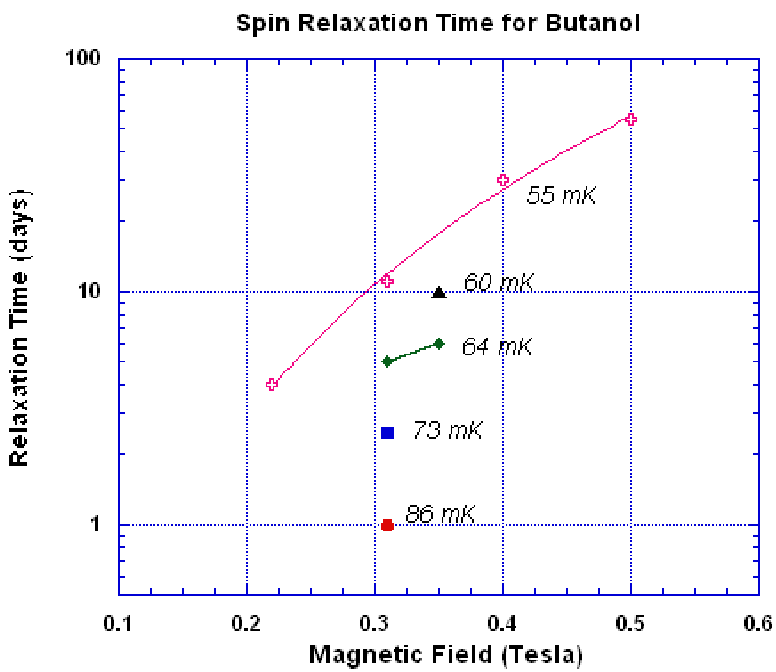
Target: Ø15 mm × 50 mm butanol (C_4H_9OH) $\mathcal{L} \sim 10^{30} - 10^{31}$/s cm^2

Polarizing Magnet: 5 Tesla warm bore solenoid

Holding Magnet: 0.3 – 0.5 Tesla internal solenoid

Refrigerator: ^{3}He/^{4}He dilution 'fridge Q ~ 20 mW @ 0.3 K

Q ~ 10 μW @ 0.05 K



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PhD Thesis, Univ. Bonn, 1999

Physics Program with Polarized Target and Tagged Photons

Approved Experiments

E02-112: Missing Resonance Search in Hyperon Photoproduction

E01-104: Helicity Structure of Pion Photoproduction

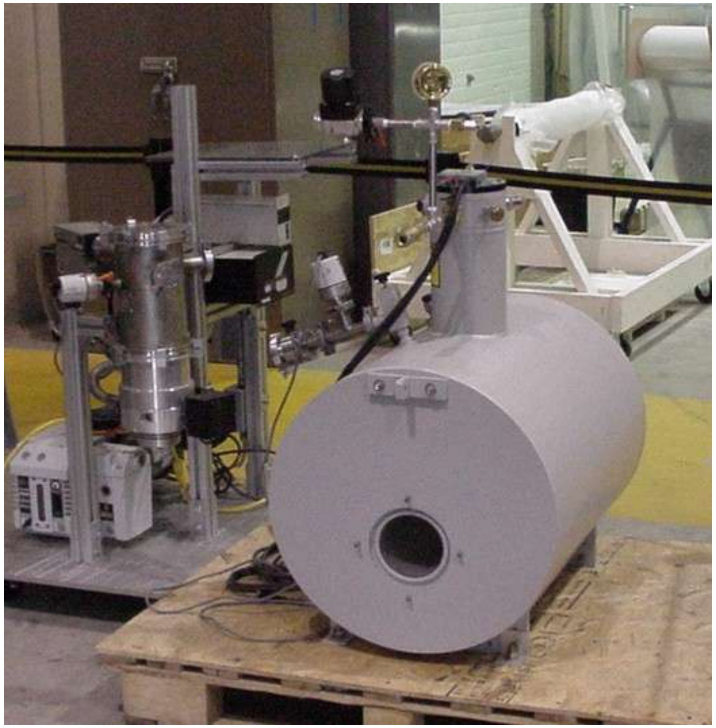
E03-105: Pion Photoproduction from a Polarized Target

Letter of Intent

LOI-020104: Photoproduction Using Polarized Beam and Target

Polarizing Magnet

Max. Field: 5.1 T
ΔB/B: $< 3\times10^{-5}$
Bore: Ø127 mm



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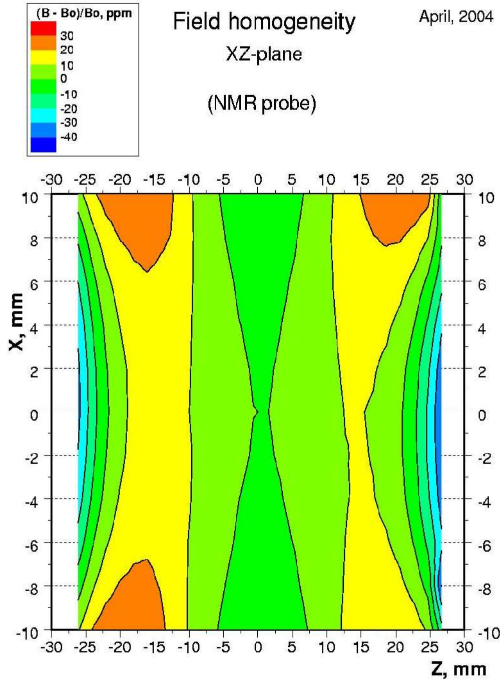
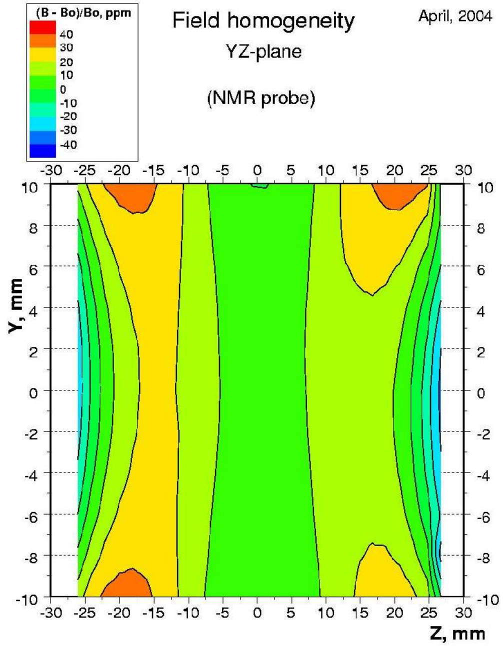
Oak Ridge, TN, USA





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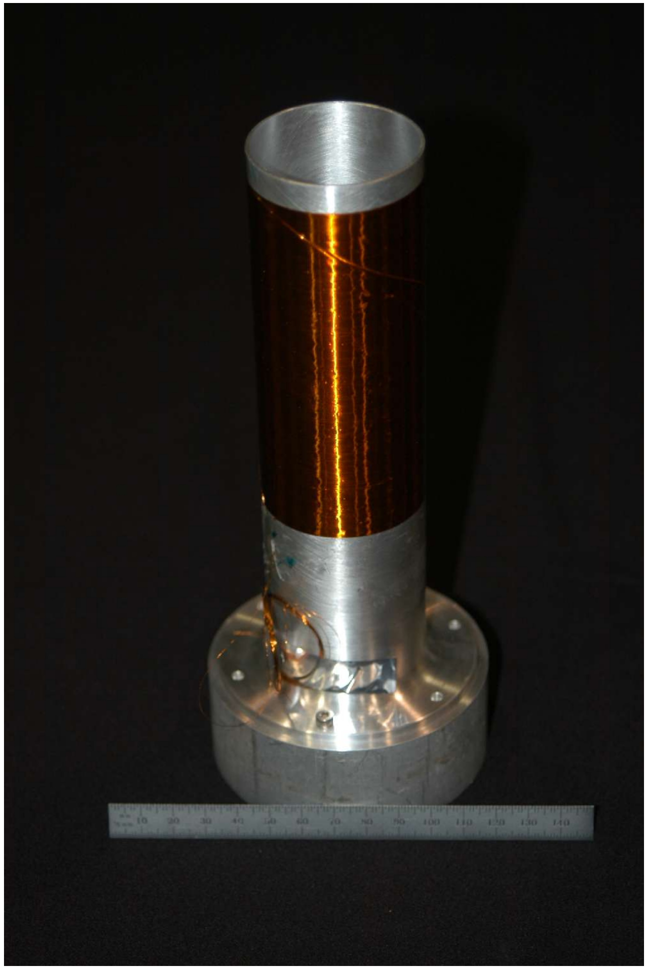
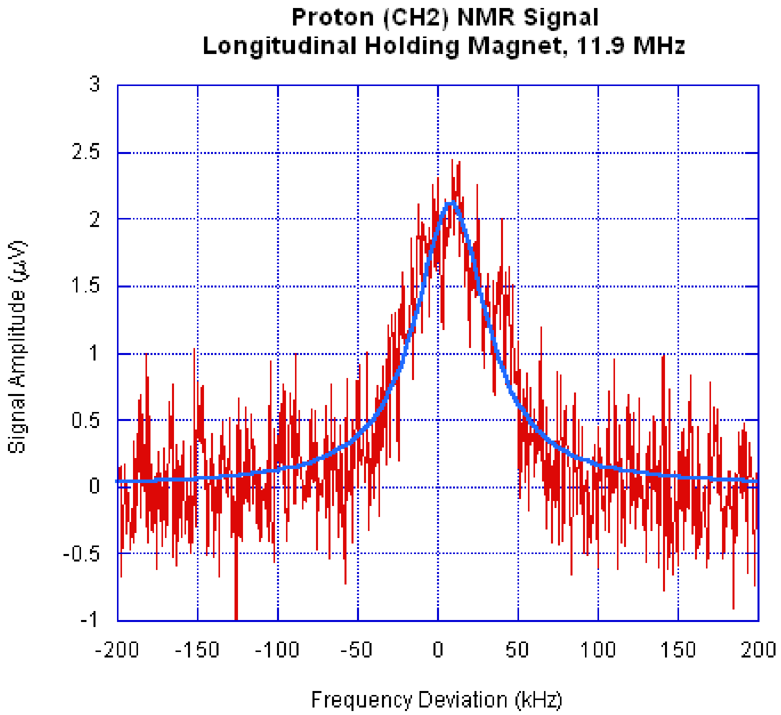
Holding Magnet, Longitudinal

Wire: Ø.1 mm multifilament NbTi, three layers
Dimensions: Ø 50 × 110
Max. Field: 0.42 Tesla
Homogeneity: $\Delta B/B \sim 3\ 10^{-3}$



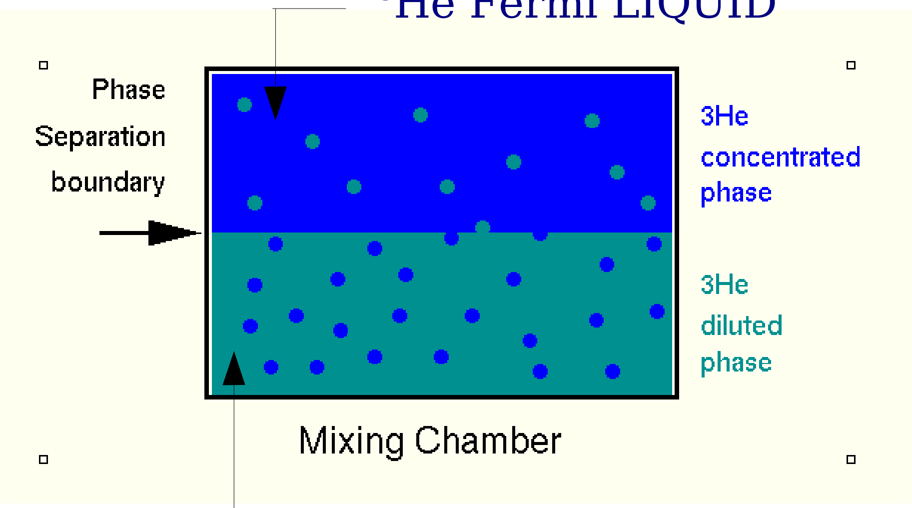


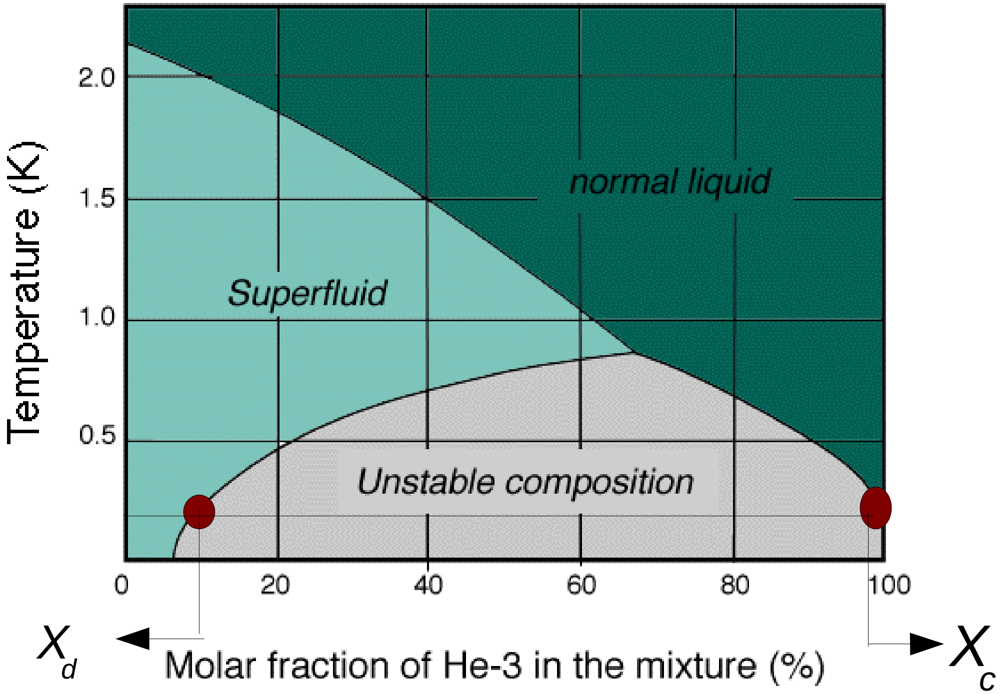
Holding Magnet, Transverse (Prototype)

Wire: Ø.1 mm multifilament NbTi, three layers
Dimensions: Ø 40 × 355 mm
Max. Field: 0.27 Tesla
Homogeneity: $\Delta B/B \sim 5\ 10^{-3}$

$^3He/^4He$ Dilution Refrigeration

- below 0.8 K, a $^3He/^4He$ mixture will separate into two phases





- if ^3He atoms are removed (distilled) from lower phase ^3He atoms from upper phase will cross the phase boundary to reestablish equilibrium

- ^3He will absorb energy when it dissolves into the dilute phase.

- heat absorbed by n moles is: $Q = n\,[H_d(T_m) - H_c(T_m)]$

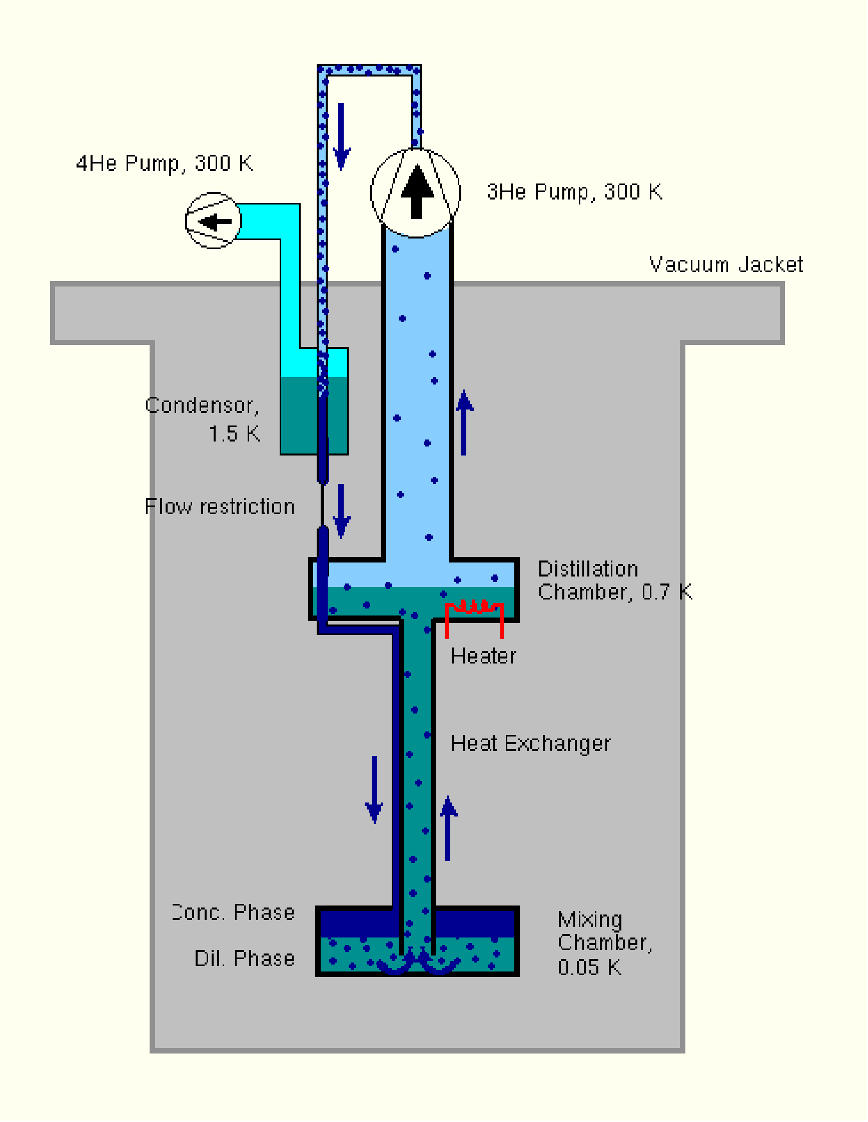
$$= n\,[94.5\,T^2 - 12.5\,T^2] = 82\,n\,T^2 \quad \mathrm{J/mol\,K^2}$$

Continuous Dilution Refrigeration

- ^{3}He is "distilled" from the lower, dilute phase of the mixing chamber

- after distillation, the ^{3}He is recondensed in a LHe bath at ~1.5K and returned to mixer at elevated temperature T_c

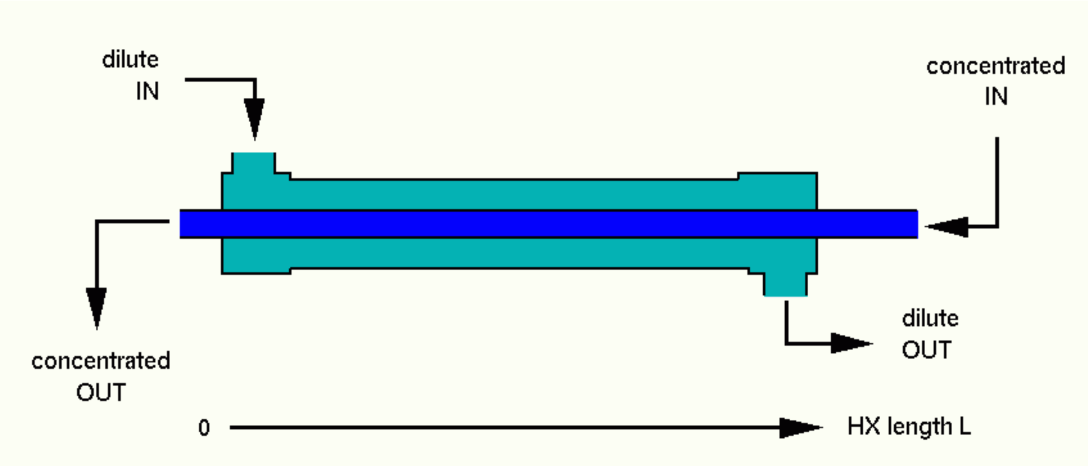
- the cooling power and min. temperature depend strongly on heat exchange between the conc. (warm) and dil. (cold) fluid streams



$$\dot{Q}(T_m) = \dot{n}[H_d(T_m^2) - H_c(T_c^2)]$$
$$= \dot{n}[94.5 T_m^2 - 12.5 T_c^2]$$

Performance of HX determines T_c

Heat Exchange between Concentrated and Dilute Phases



Heat Flow: ^3He_c → HX walls → ^3He_d

At low temperatures, the main impediment to heat transfer is the thermal boundary (Kapitza) resistance R_k between the helium and the HX walls

Only a small fraction of phonons from liquid will enter the HX walls

$$\frac{\rho_1 v_1^3}{\rho_2 v_2^3} \propto 10^{-5} \longrightarrow \dot{Q}_K = \frac{A}{2R_K}\left[T_2^4 - T_1^4\right]$$

Or a more familiar form: $\dot{Q}_K = \frac{\Delta T}{R} = \frac{AT^3}{R_k}\Delta T$

Heat transfer drops fast at low T !

Performance of an "Ideal" Heat Exchanger

(Giorgio Frossati, 1986)

dilute side
$$s_d \frac{d}{dx}\left[\kappa_d(T)\frac{dT_d}{dx}\right] + \eta_d \dot{V}_d^2 \frac{dZ_d}{dx} + \frac{dA}{dx}\frac{(T_c^4 - T_d^4)}{4R_{kT}} = \dot{n} C_d \frac{dT_d}{dx}$$

$C_d \sim 107 \cdot T$ J/K

conc. side
$$s_c \frac{d}{dx}\left[\kappa_c(T)\frac{dT_c}{dx}\right] + \eta_c \dot{V}_c^2 \frac{dZ_c}{dx} + \frac{dA}{dx}\frac{(T_c^4 - T_d^4)}{4R_{kT}} = -\dot{n} C_c \frac{dT_d}{dx}$$

$C_c \sim 25 \cdot T$ J/K

Axial conduction
- s = sectional area
- κ = thermal cond.

Frictional heat
- η = viscosity
- Z = flow impedance
- V = molar volume

Kapitza conduction
- A = HX area (mean)
- R_{kT} = total Kap. resistivity

Enthalpy change
- C = specific heat

Frossati: design HX so that 1st and 2nd terms are small compared to the 3rd

$$T_c^2 = \frac{2 \cdot 25}{(1-(25/107)^2)}\frac{R_{kT}}{A}\dot{n} \approx 50\frac{R_{kT}}{A}\dot{n}$$

Temperature of ^3He_c entering mixing chamber

Cooling Power with Ideal Heat Exchanger

(Giorgio Frossati, 1986)

Cooling power, assuming "ideal" heat exchange is determined by molar flow rate and R_k/A of heat exchanger

$$\dot{Q}(T_m) = \dot{n}\,\left[94.5\,T_m^2 - 12.5\,T_c^2\right]$$

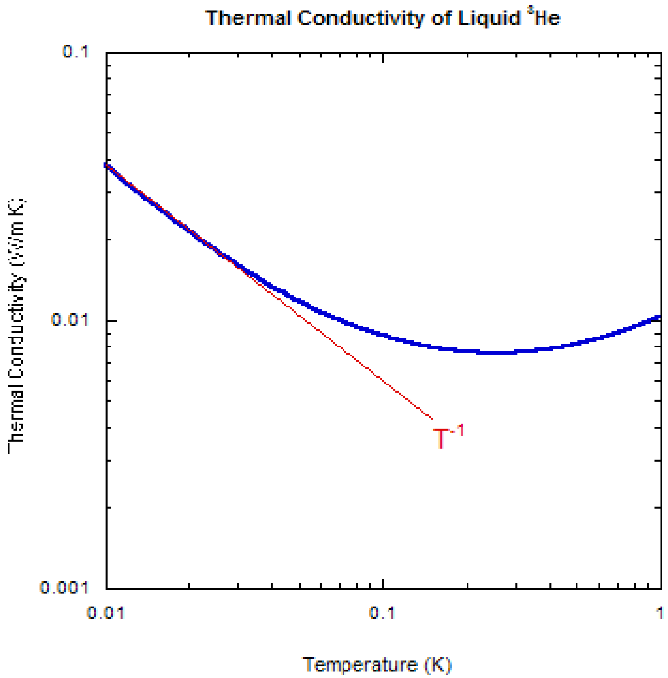
$$= \dot{n}\,\left[94.5\,T_m^2 - 625\,\frac{R_{kT}}{A}\,\dot{n}\right]$$

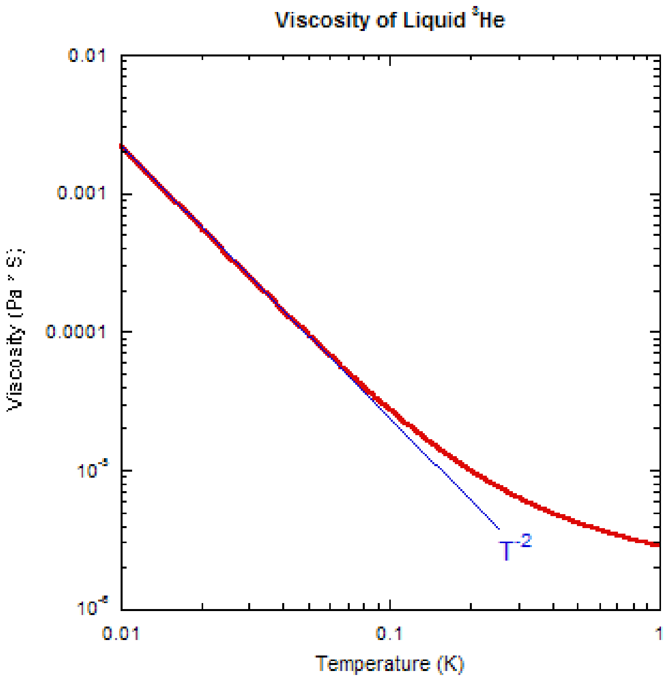
Build HX with low R_{kT}

OR, large Area

Optimization of Heat Exchanger Geometry

To optimize heat exchangers, must consider heat leaks due to both axial conduction and frictional heating





$$Q_{cond} = \frac{\pi D^2}{4L}\int \kappa(T)dT$$
$$= aD^2$$

$$Q_{fric} = \eta\left(\frac{128L}{\pi D^4}\right)(\dot{n}V)^2$$
$$= bD^{-4}$$

Minimize $Q_{con} + Q_{fric}$: $\frac{d}{dD}(aD^2 + bD^{-4}) = 0$ → $D_{opt} = (2b/a)^{1/6}$

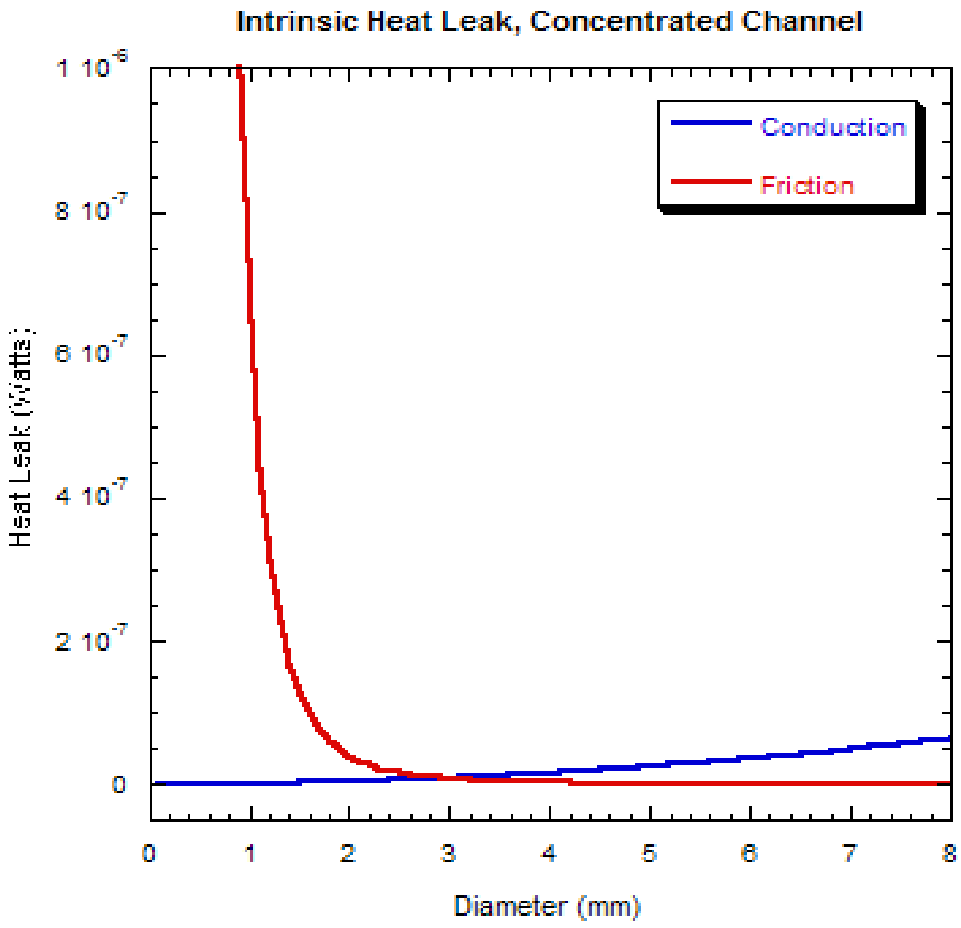
Intrinsic heat leak as a function of tube diameter

HX Length: 1.5 m

Flow rate: 1 mmol/s

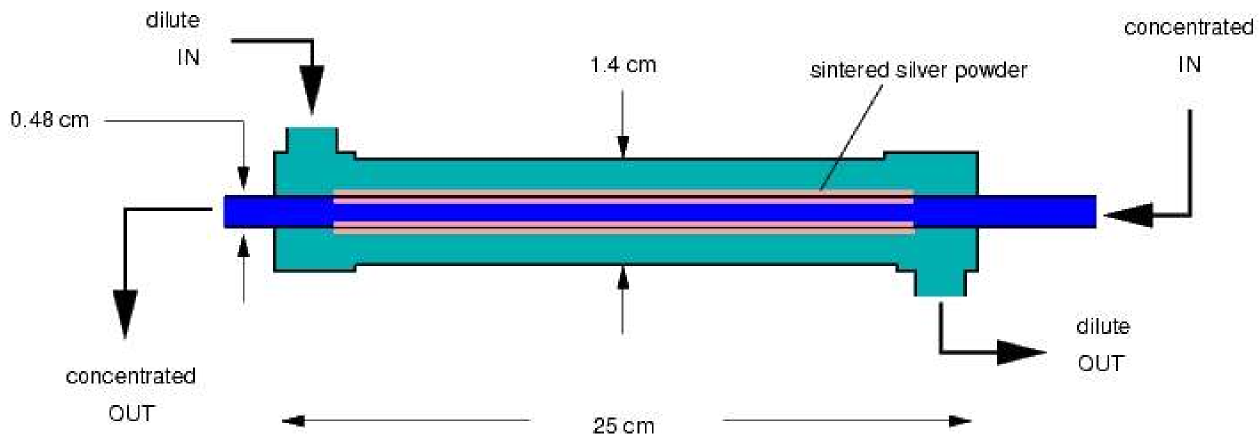
Inlet temperature: 200 mK

Outlet temperature: 20 mK

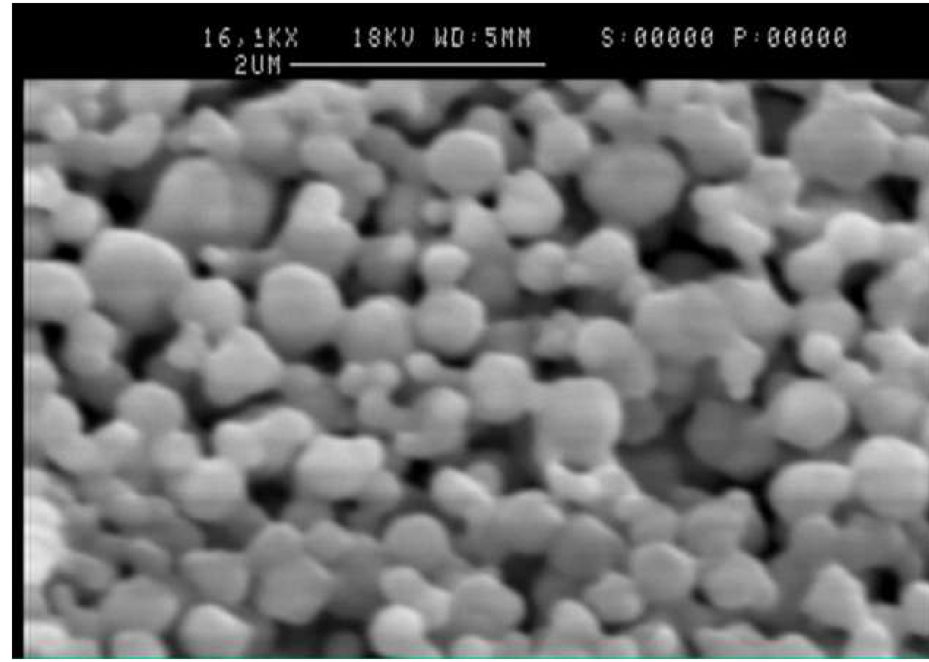


Sintered Silver Heat Exchangers

- large surface areas are necessary to overcome Kapitza resistance
- use sinters of ultra-fine silver powder to provide several m^2 of area



JLab: Use 5 identical segments (in series) between Still and Mixer

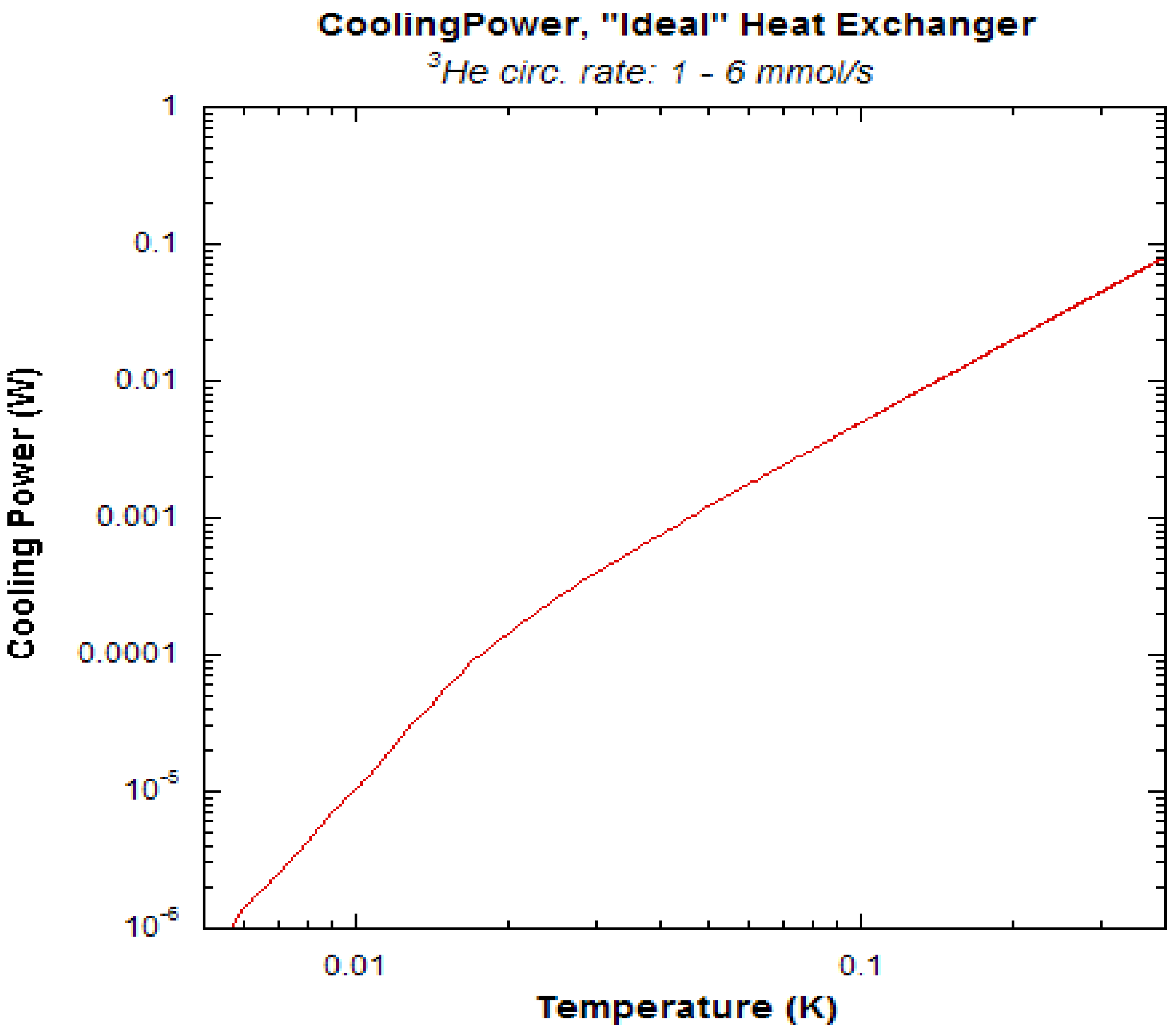


1 micron Ag powder

Sinter at 250 °C ➡ 0.5 m^2/g

each segment:
Dil. = 15 g = 7.5 m^2
Conc.= 8.5 g = 4.2 m^2

5 segments:
Dil. = 37.5 m^2
Conc. = 21 m^2


CoolingPower, "Ideal" Heat Exchanger
^{3}He circ. rate: 1 - 6 mmol/s
Cooling Power (W)
1
0.1
0.01
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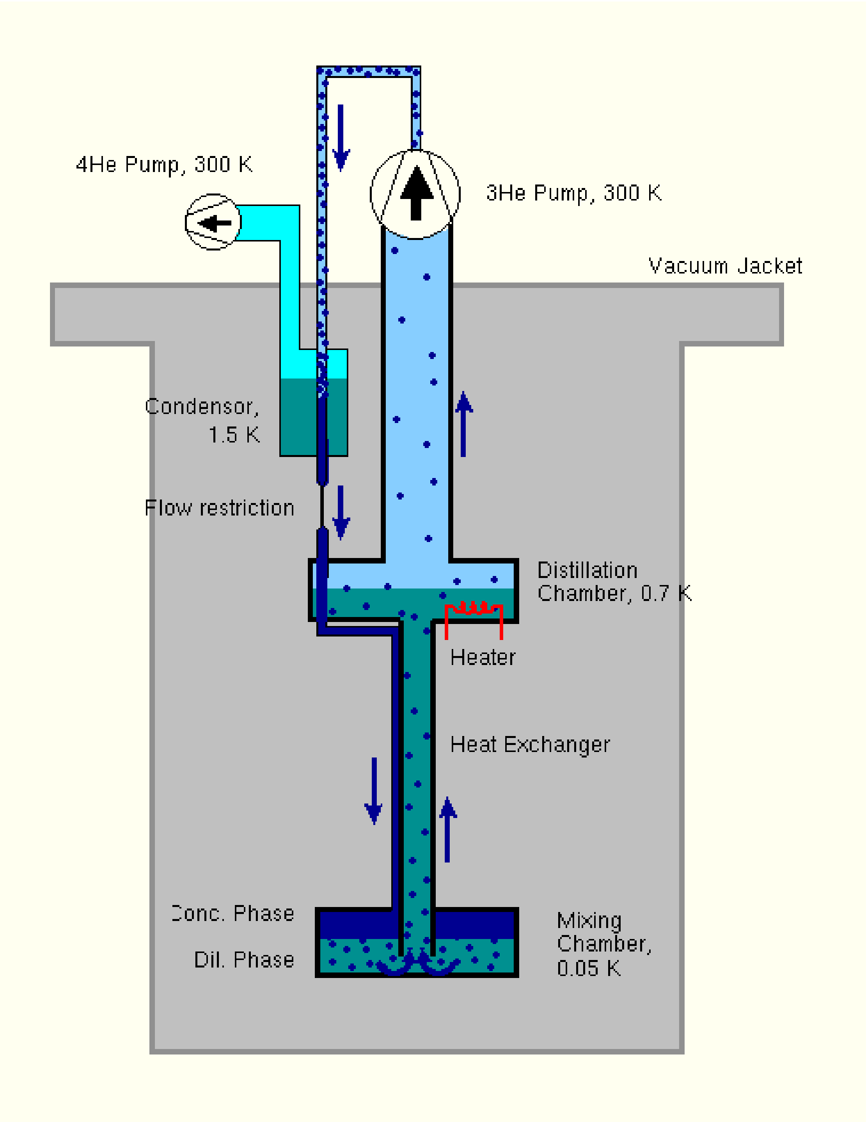
0.0001
10^{-5}
10^{-6}
0.01
0.1
Temperature (K)

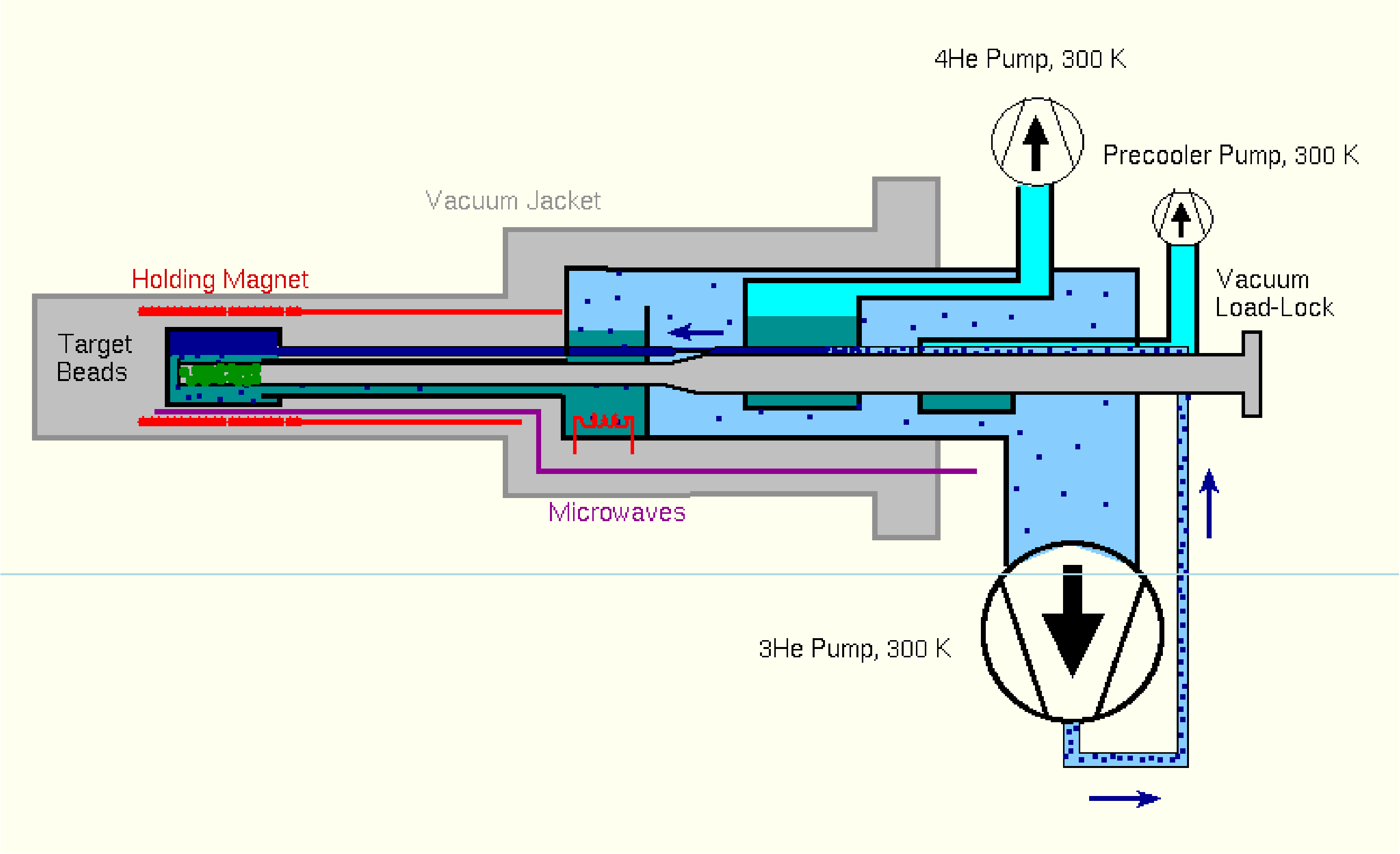
An example of a commercial, vertical dilution refrigerator



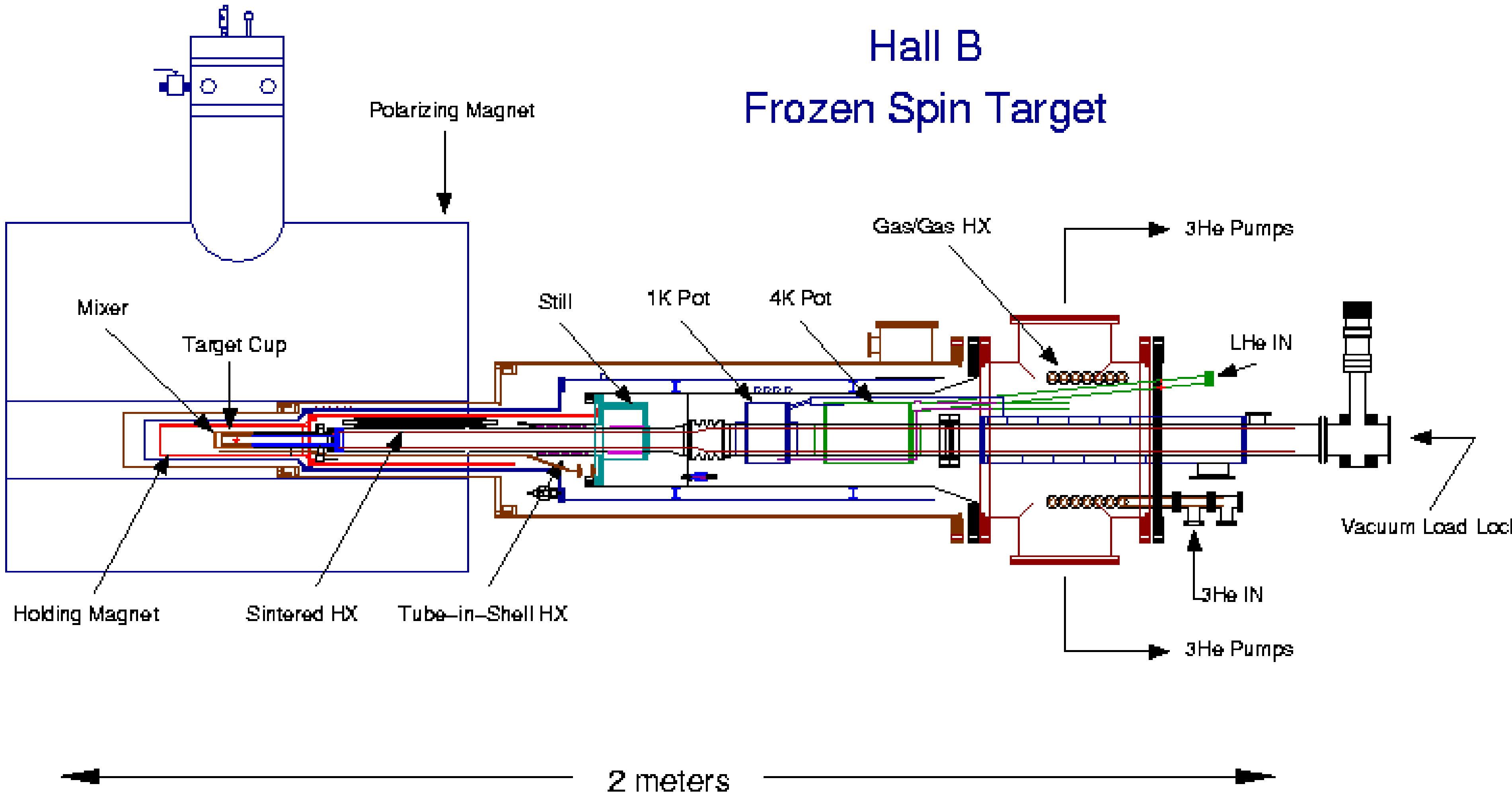
Very nice, but it won't fit inside CLAS...

Horizontal Dilution Refrigerator for Frozen Spin Target

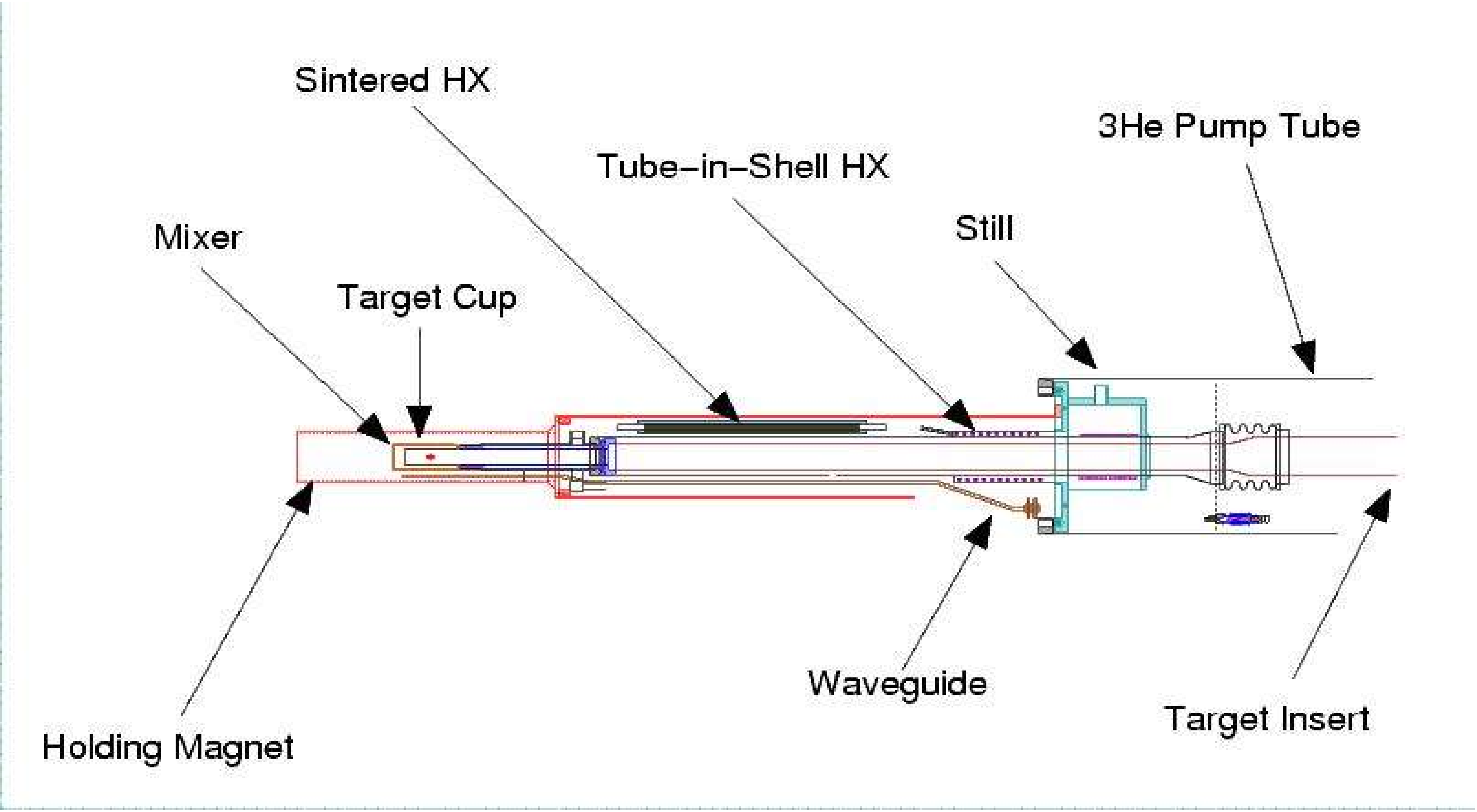
T.O. Niinikoski, CERN 1971

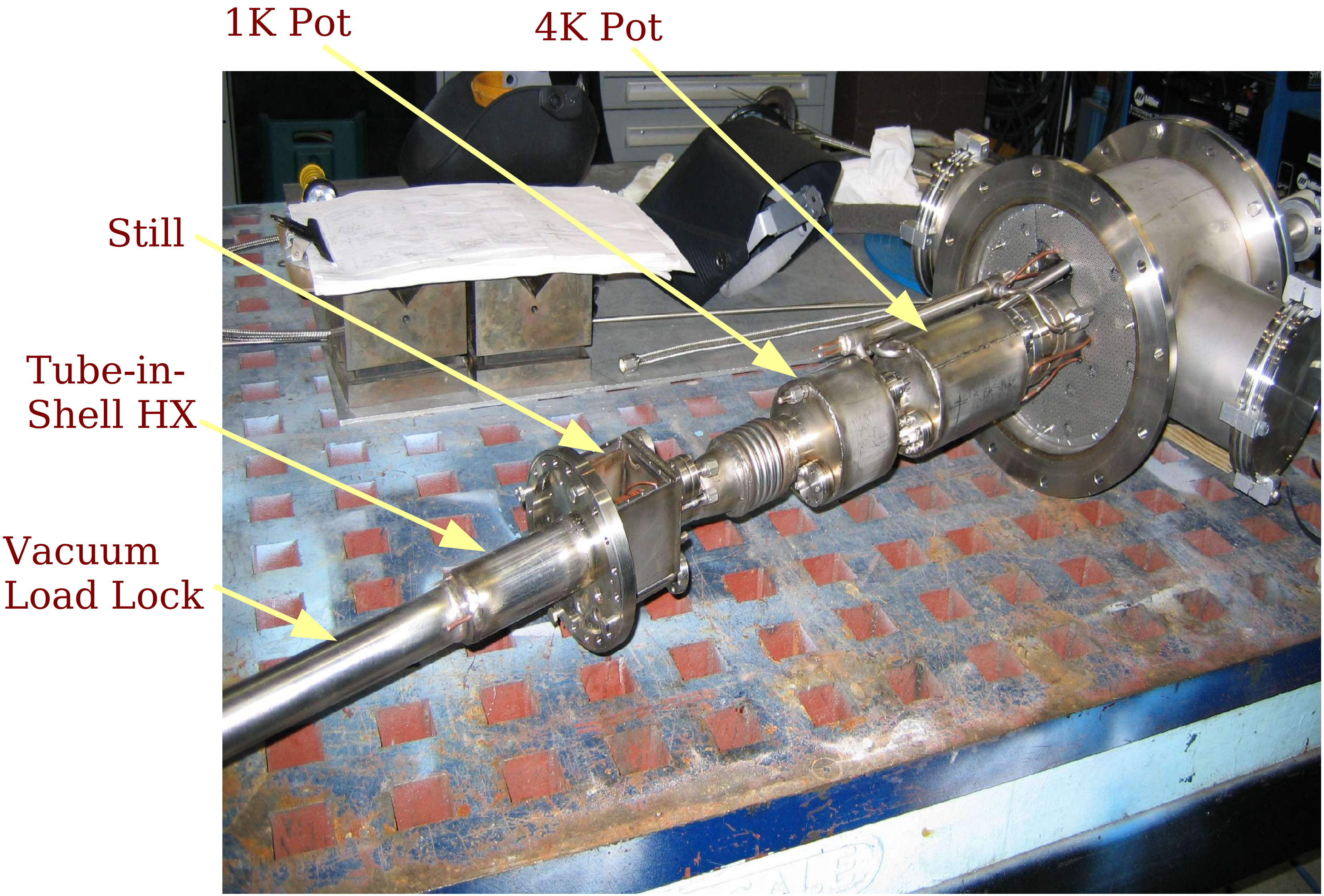


Hall B
Frozen Spin Target



Dilution Unit

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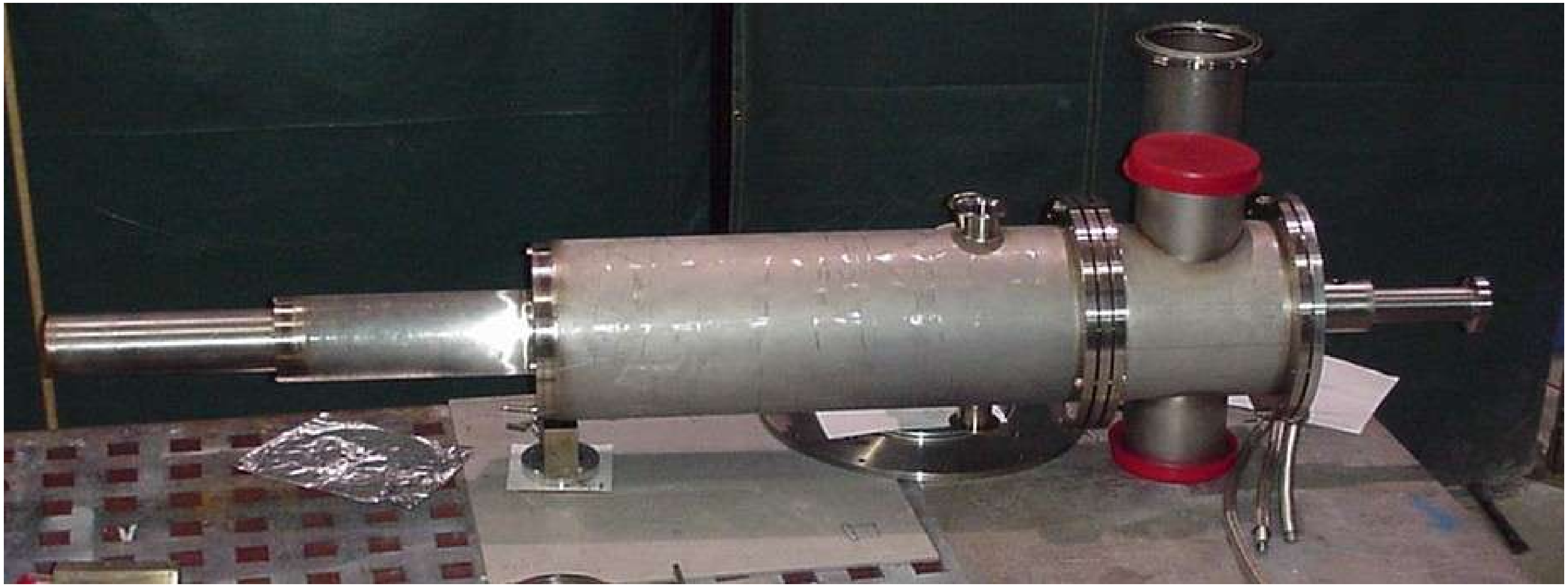
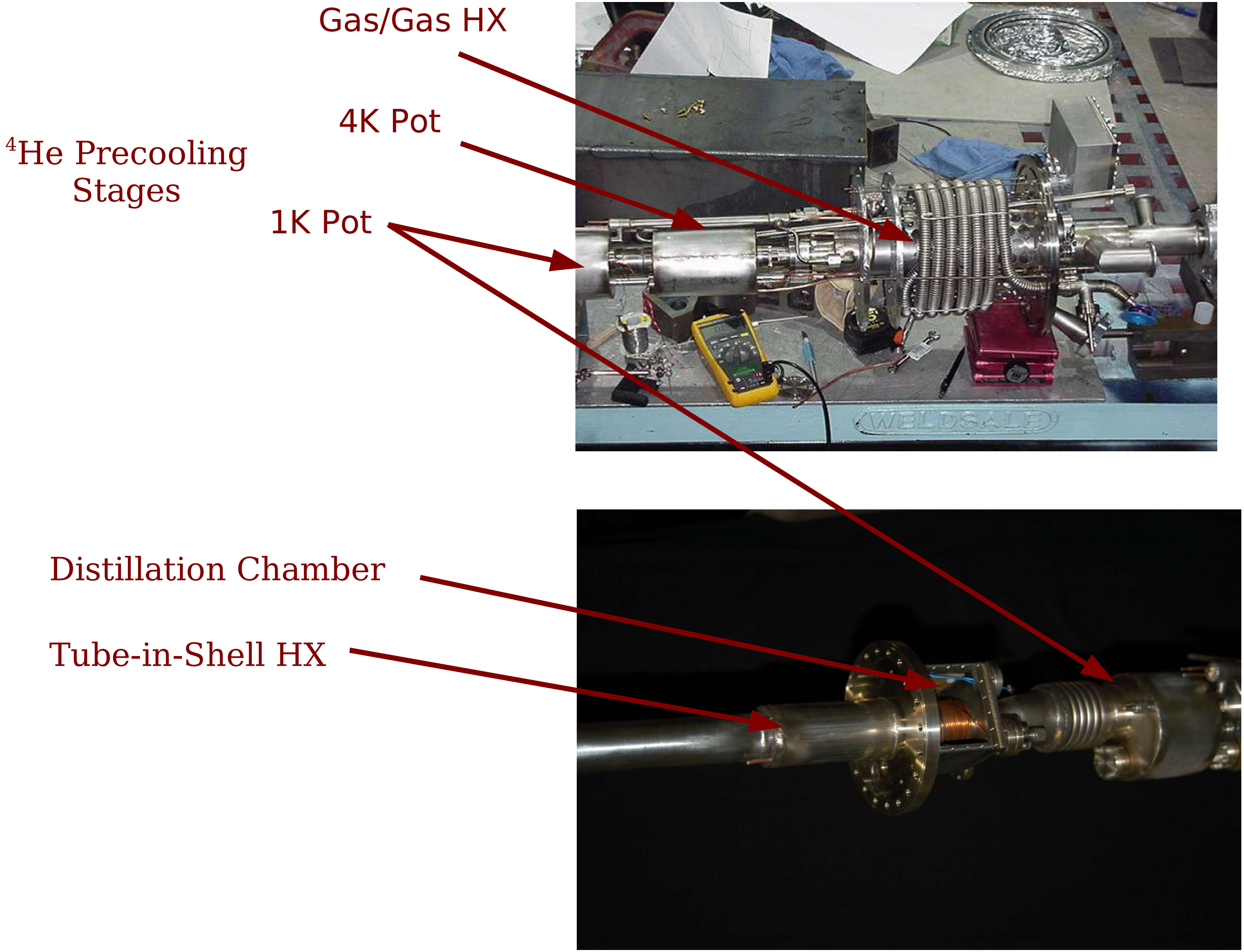
4K Pot
Still
Tube-in-
Shell HX
Vacuum
Load Lock

Outer Vacuum Jacket

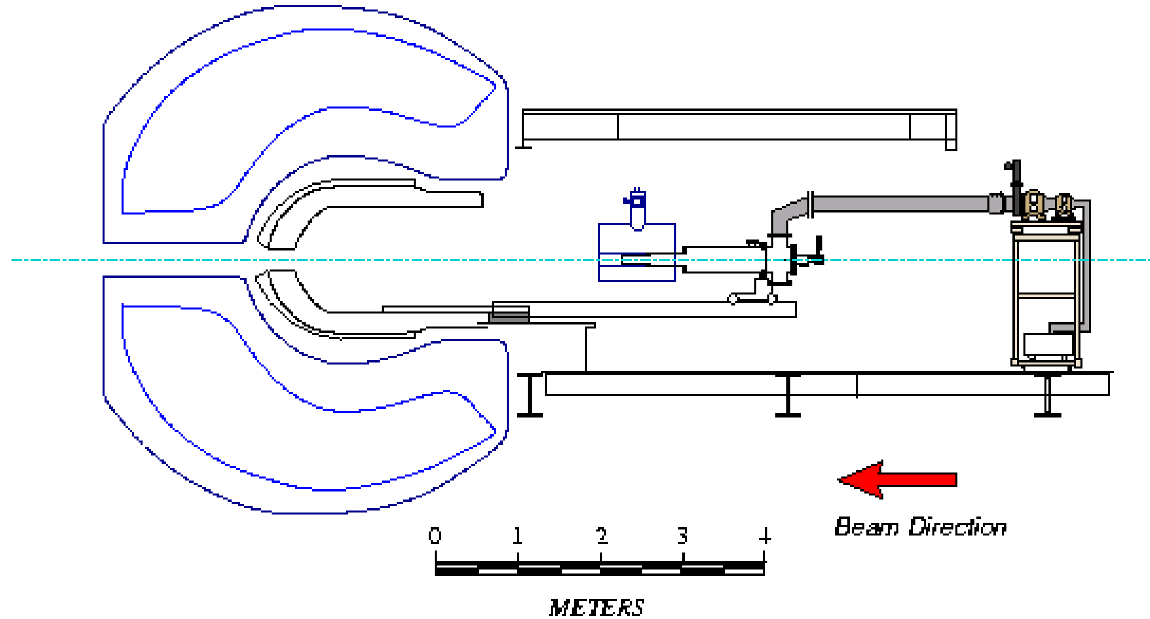



Gas/Gas HX
4K Pot
^{4}He Precooling
Stages
1K Pot
Distillation Chamber
Tube-in-Shell HX
WELDSALE

The Frozen Spin Waltz

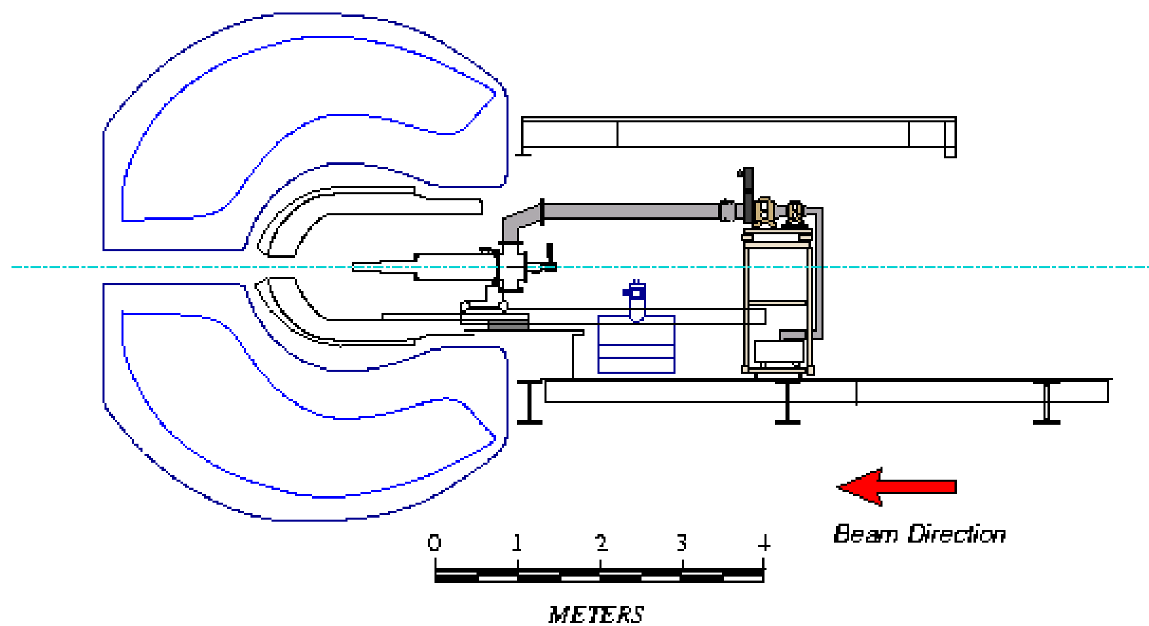
Step 1: Polarizing

- Target is fully retracted, magnet is lifted to beam height
- Target is inserted into magnet, magnet energized, microwaves on



Step 2: Beam On

- Microwaves off, magnet off, holding coil on
- Target is fully retracted, magnet is lowered
-Target is fully inserted into CLAS



Summary

- A frozen spin polarized target for tagged photon experiments is under development at Jefferson Lab.

- 5 Tesla polarizing magnet is in house.

  - Superconducting holding coils (~1mm thick) are under development.

    - longitudinal solenoid (0.4 Tesla) constructed and tested

    - prototype of transverse dipole has been tested (0.3 Tesla)

- Horizontal dilution refrigerator is under construction.

- Positioning system for Hall B is still in conceptual design stage.