

World's highest field actively shielded split coil magnet for neutron scattering

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Outline

- Bruker magnet production and technology
- 16T actively shielded split coil magnet
 - Magnet
 - Cryostat
 - VTI
- Timeline of the project



Bruker Corporation

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Bruker AXS

Analytical **X-ray systems** for elemental analysis, materials research and structural investigations

Bruker BioSpin

Worldwide technology and market leader in **NMR, EPR** and preclinical **MRI**

Bruker Daltonics

Life science tools based on **mass spectrometry** and broad line of **detection products**

Bruker Optics

Analysis instruments based on **infrared and Raman molecular spectroscopy**



Billerica
United States



Faellanden
Switzerland



Rheinstetten
Germany



Wissembourg
France

Magnet Production at Bruker BioSpin

- NMR Magnets
 - Up to 22.3T (950 MHz)
- Laboratory Magnets
 - Up to 21 T
- FTMS Magnets
 - Up to 15 T
- MRI Magnets
 - Up to 11.4 T
- EPR Magnets
 - Up to 12 T
- Gyrotron Magnets
 - Up to 9.7 T



Magnet Production in Switzerland



> 500 employees in
Fällanden, Zurich

Development: 30%
Production & Test: 58%
Administration & Sales: 12%

- Coil Winding
- Magnet Assembly
- Cryostat Assembly
- Test Laboratory



Magnet Technology

- **Superconducting wire technology**

- NbTi
- Nb₃Sn (wind & react)
- HTS
- MgB₂

- **Active shielding technology**

- Multiple coil design with opposite polarity to compensate dipole moment
- Reduction of stray fields

- **Electromagnetic Disturbance Suppression**

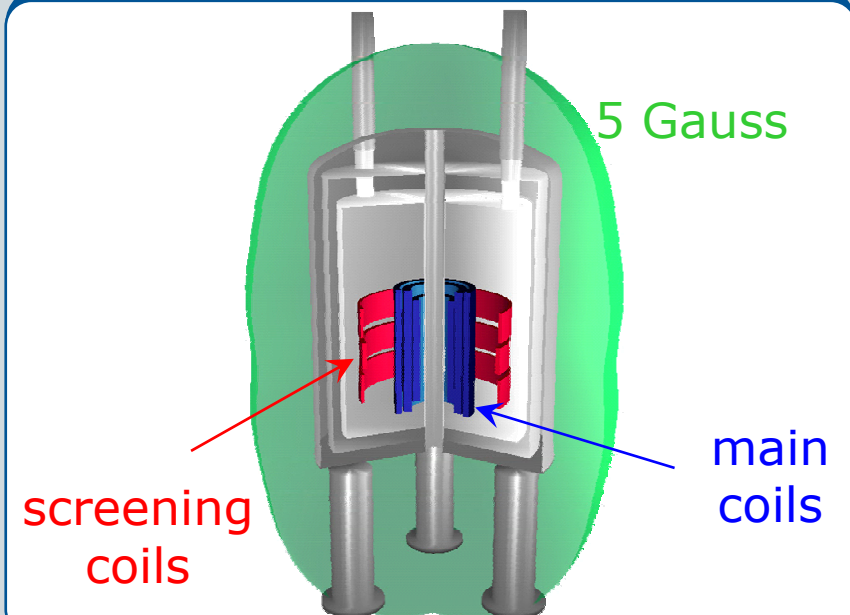
- Screening against external electromagnetic field disturbances



**European
Advanced
Superconductors**



European High Temperature Superconductors
A member of Bruker Biospin



Cryogenic Technology

- **Sub-Cooling**
 - Reducing the operating temperature of the superconducting material from 4.2K to 2.2K in order to achieve the highest possible field strength
- **Active cooling**
 - Nitrogen-free compact superconducting magnets with very low or no Helium losses (zero-boil-off)
- **Cryogen free**
 - Cooling the magnet without the use of liquid cryogens
- **Variable Temperature Insert**
 - Adjust the temperature of the sample from 2K to 300K

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Split coil magnet systems for neutron scattering

Requirements for neutron scattering	Commercially available magnet systems	New Bruker magnet system
High magnetic field in symmetric mode	< 15 T	± 16 T
High magnetic field in <u>asymmetric mode</u> (experiments with polarized neutrons)	≤ 12 T	± 14 T
Small stray fields	Unshielded magnets ⇒ large stray fields	Actively shielded magnet ⇒ small stray fields
Field homogeneity	Typically 1% in 10mm DSV	< 0.5% (symmetric mode) < 1% (asymmetric mode)

Split coil magnet system for neutron scattering

Requirements for neutron scattering	New Bruker magnet system
Large split size and conical angle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Split conical angle = $\pm 4^\circ$ - Max. sample height=16mm (visible by horizontally incoming neutrons)
Open access for incoming and scattered neutrons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 330° neutron access in horizontal plane (Al-windows, Al-rings, no liquid helium in the neutron beam) - Open access in Al-rings along beam line
Variable temperature insert (VTI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ILL-type - Internal diameter at sample position = 34 mm - Temperature range: $2\text{ K} < T < 300\text{ K}$ - Compatible with dilution refrigerator and high-temperature inserts.

Split coil magnet system for neutron scattering

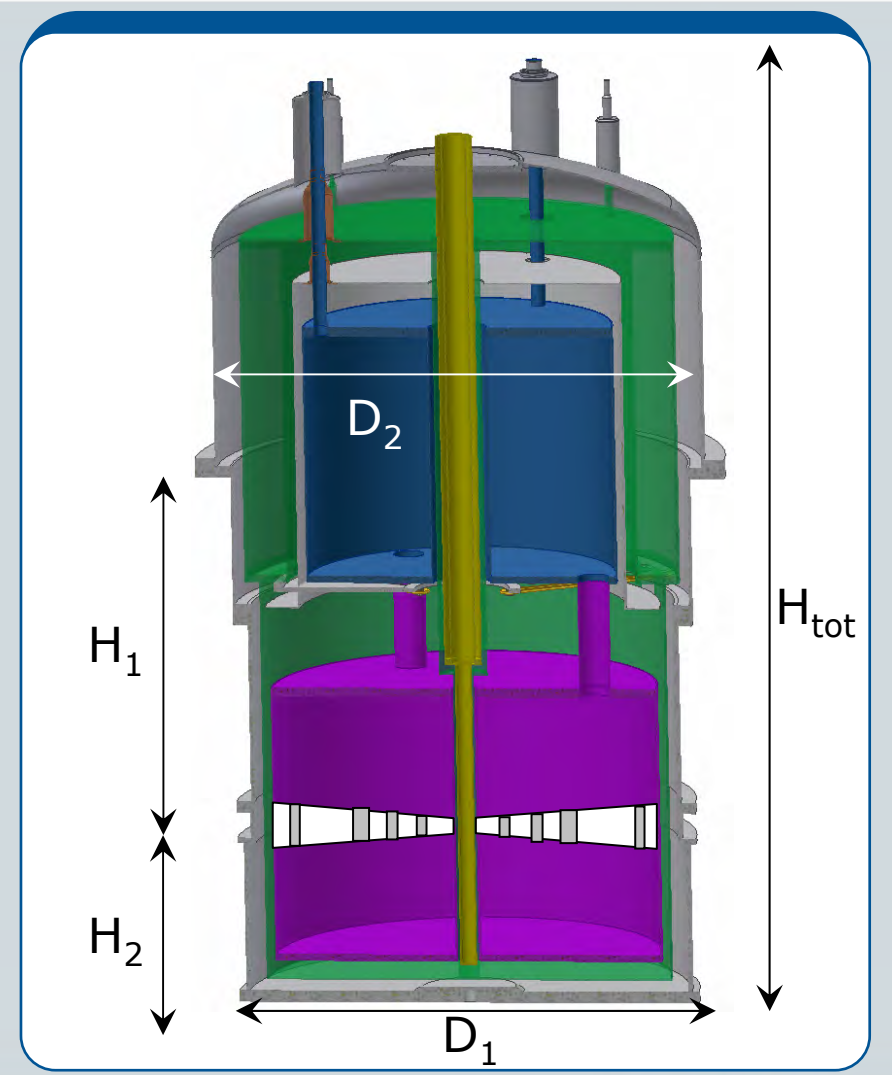
Requirements for neutron scattering	New Bruker magnet system
Persistent mode operation	Possible in both symmetric and asymmetric mode
Field stability	Drift $\leq 0.02\%/h$
Short energizing time	Ramp time to maximal field @4.2K ~ 80 min
Long cryogen hold time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Low-loss HTS current leads - LHe hold time at 4.2 K > 4 days - LHe hold time at 2.2 K > 1 day - LN₂ hold time > 4 days
Cryostat tilt	Up to 2°(energized magnet)
Cold transport between instruments	Possible (de-energized magnet)

Split coil magnet system for neutron scattering

Requirements for neutron scattering	New Bruker Magnet System
Ease of use	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Operation at 4.2 K up to 14.5 T / 12.5 T (symmetric / asymmetric mode)- Automatic Cooling Device- LabVIEW™ magnet control program- LN₂ and LHe level sensors with display- Heat exchangers on N₂ tower to avoid condensation and freezing of water- Connector board and gas handling panel
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Protection against quench and power failure- Auto-run-down- Magnet monitoring in power supply- Quench detection

System dimensions

Height of the overall cryostat body H_{tot}	~ 2200 mm
Distance H_1 from magnetic center to body flange	749.3 ± 2.54 mm
Distance H_2 from magnetic center to cryostat base	381 ± 2.54 mm
Diameter D_1 of cryostat below body flange	~ 977 mm
Diameter D_2 of cryostat above body flange	~ 1100 mm
System weight	~ 2 tons



Concept of actively shielded split coil magnets

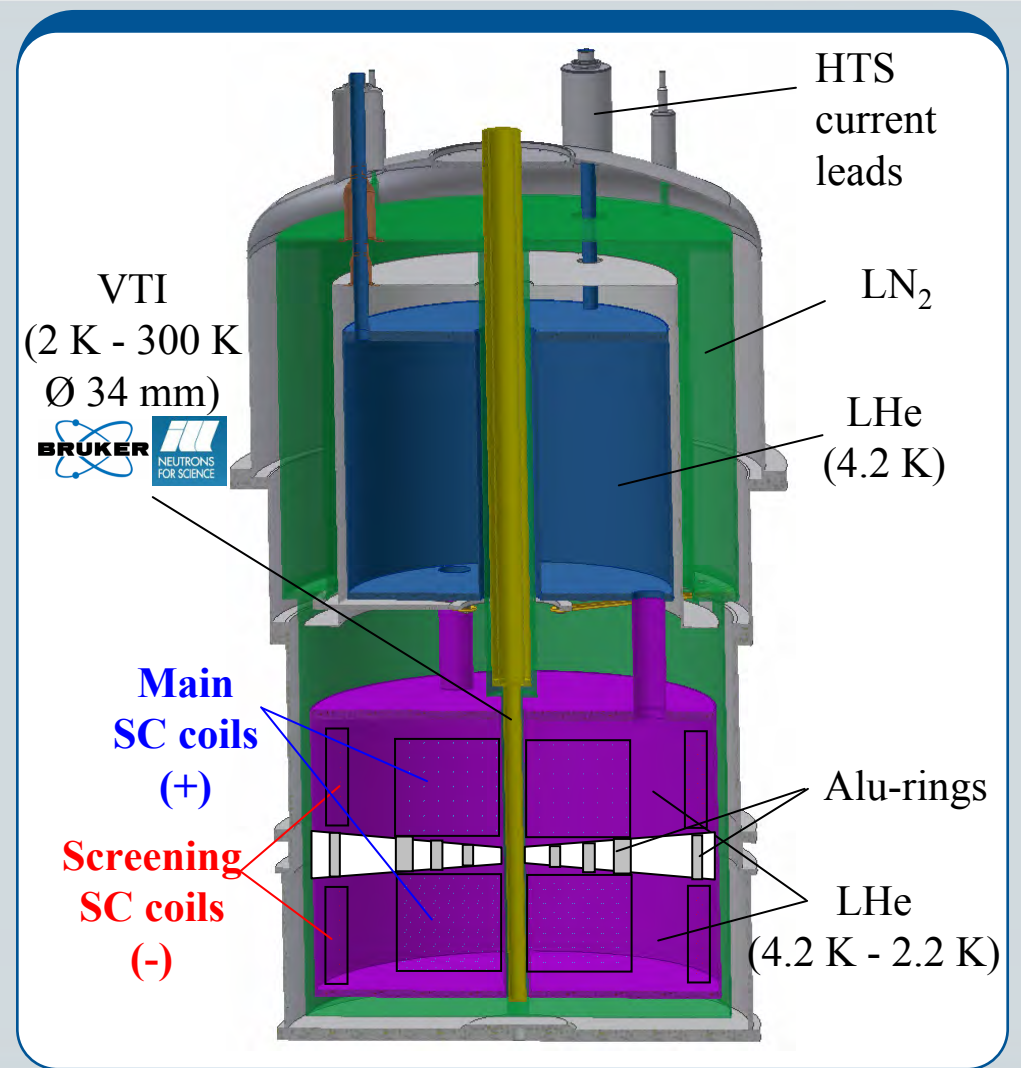
Stray field is undesired because of:

- Forces on ferromagnetic objects
- Disturbance of electronics, PC, ...
- Credit cards, pacemakers

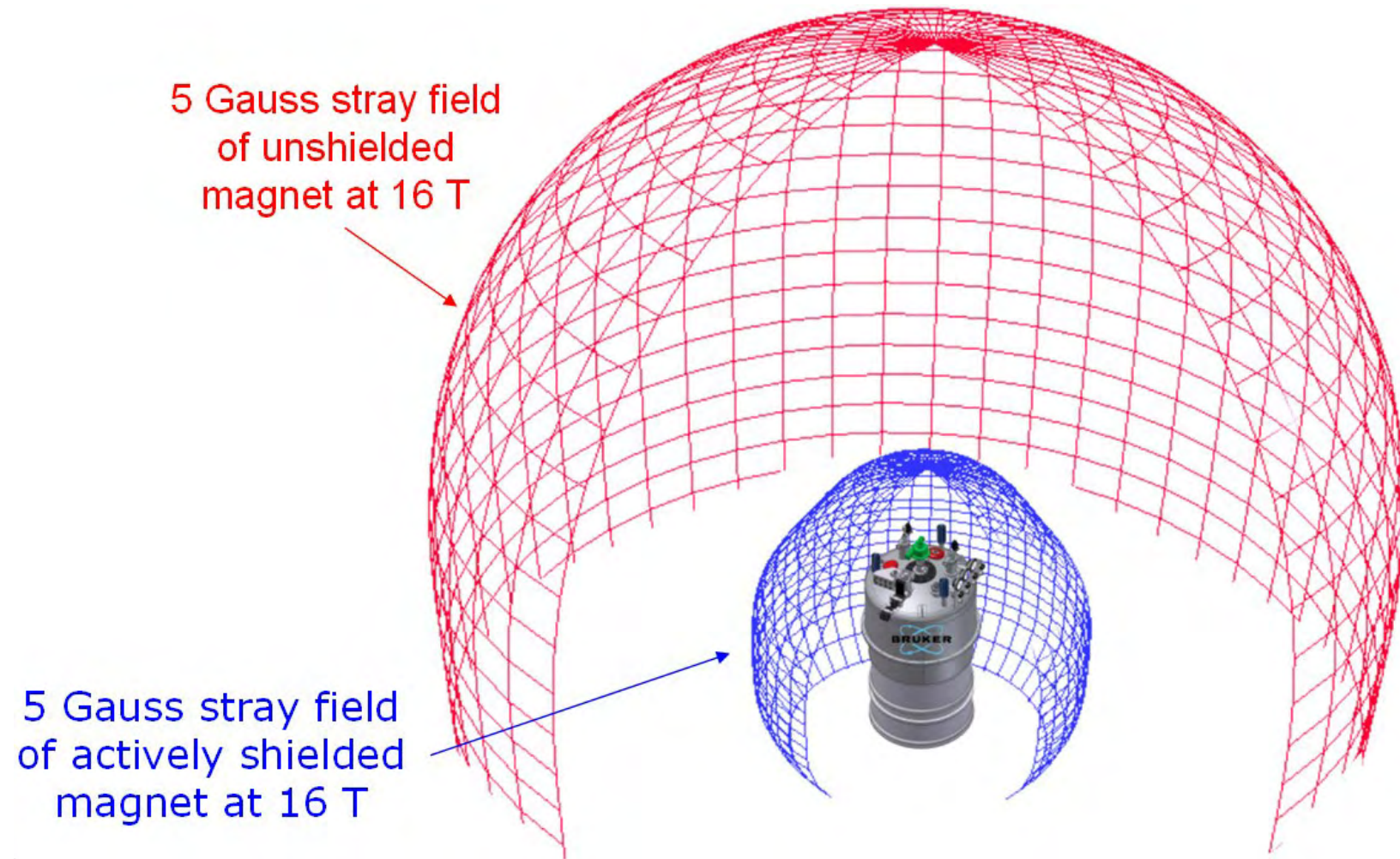
In particular for neutron scattering experiments:

- Disturbance of He3 spin filters (experiments with polarized neutrons)
- Disturbance of neighbouring instruments

⇒ **Active shielding:**
multiple coil design with opposite polarity to compensate dipole moment

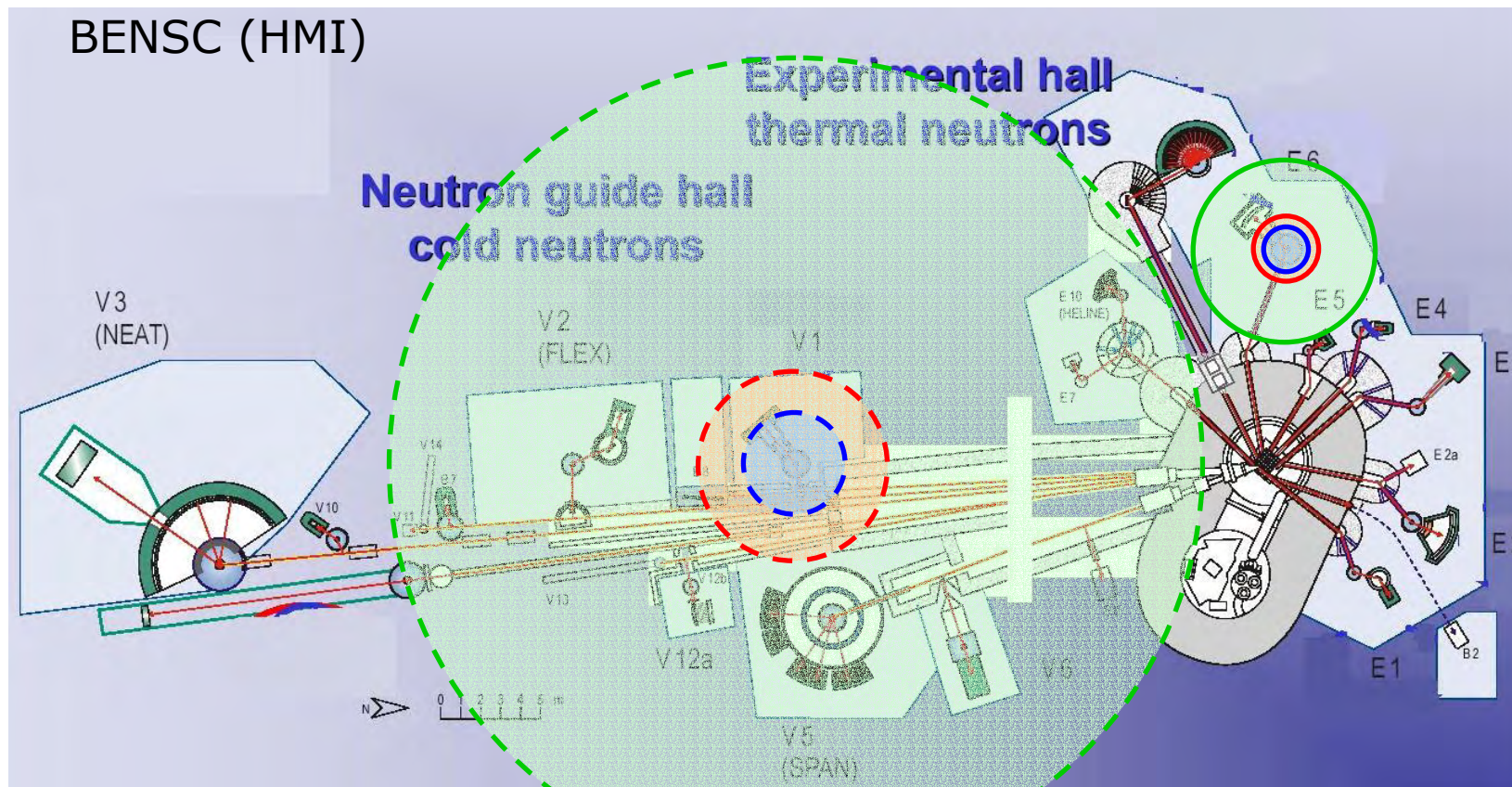


Stray fields (shielded vs unshielded magnets)



Stray Fields (shielded vs unshielded magnets)

BENSC (HMI)



30 G

He³ spin filters

5 G

*People hazards,
pacemakers*

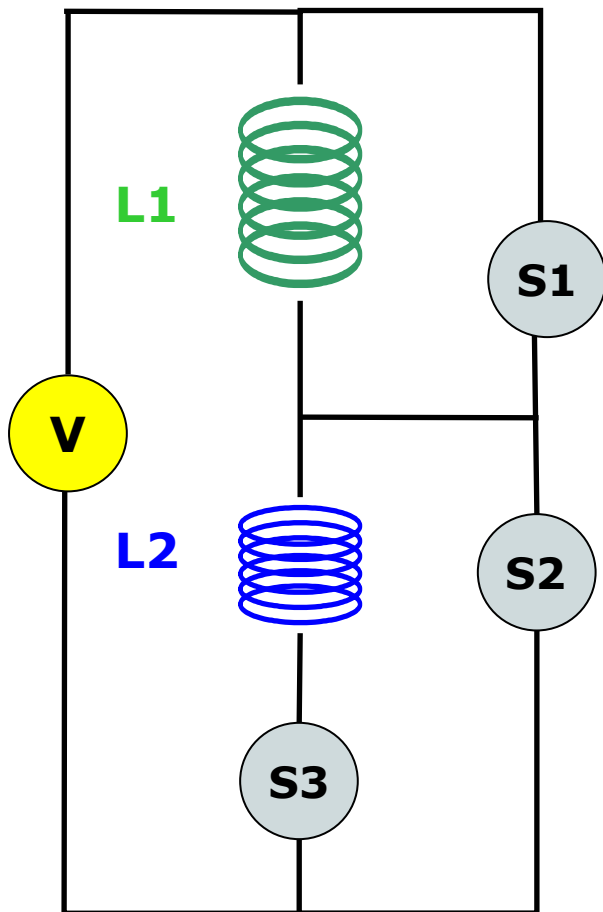
50 mG

*Disturbance of
neighbouring instruments*

— shielded

--- unshielded

Symmetric and asymmetric mode operation

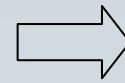


Two current loops L1 and L2 provide an adjustable asymmetric field distribution

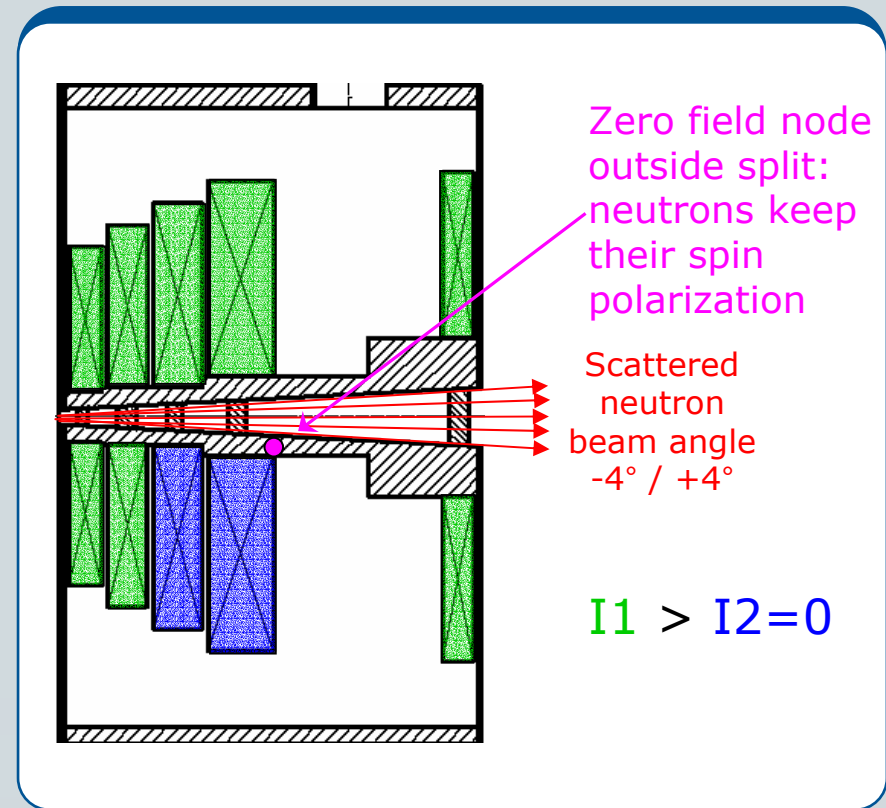
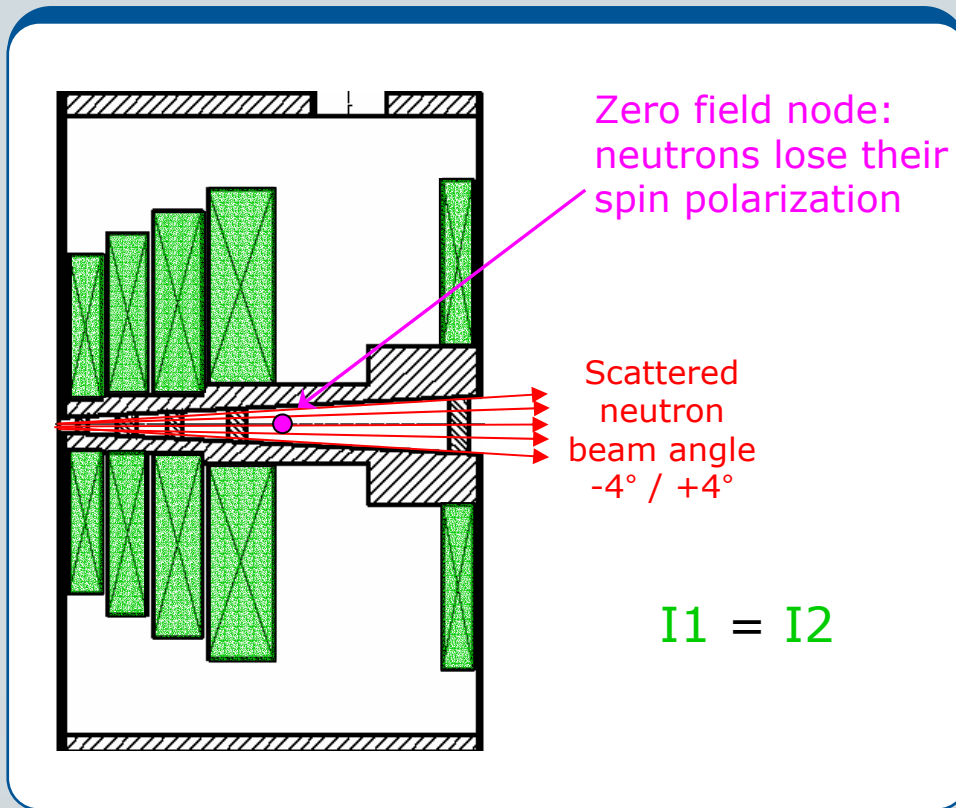
	Switch S1	Switch S2	Switch S3
Charging/discharging in symmetric mode	OPEN	OPEN	CLOSE
Charging/discharging in asymmetric mode	OPEN	CLOSE	OPEN
Persistent mode	CLOSE	CLOSE	CLOSE

Symmetric / Asymmetric mode operation

Symmetric mode operation
(up to 16 Tesla)



Asymmetric mode operation
(up to 14 Tesla)

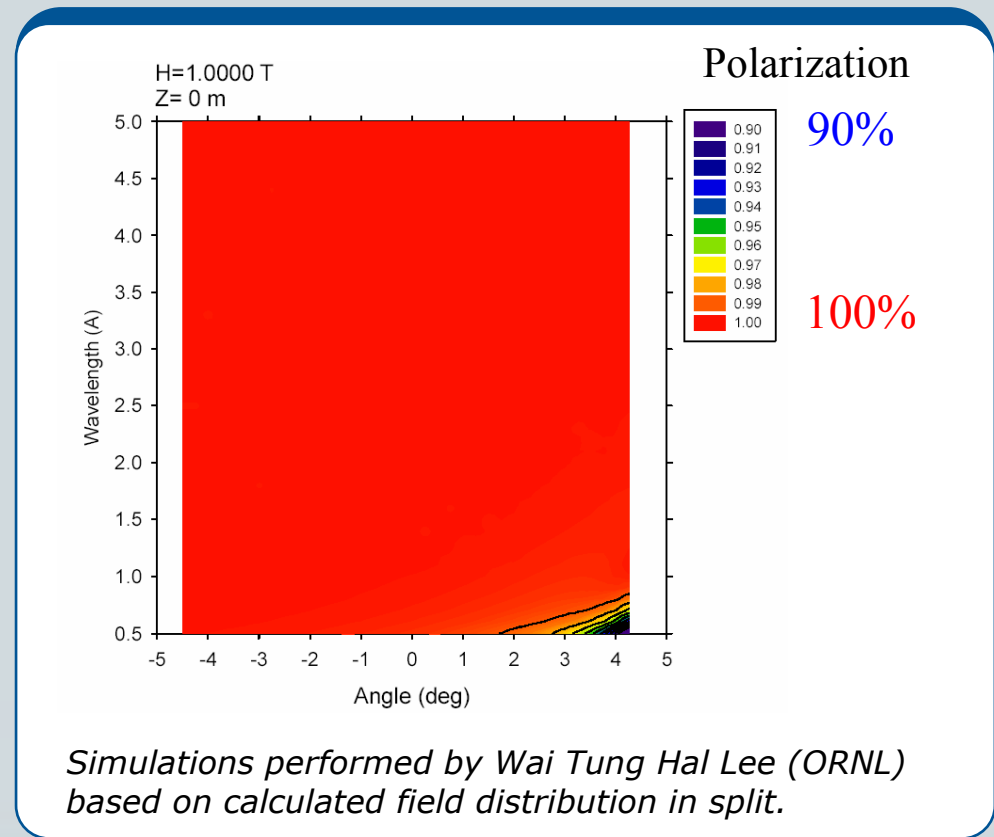
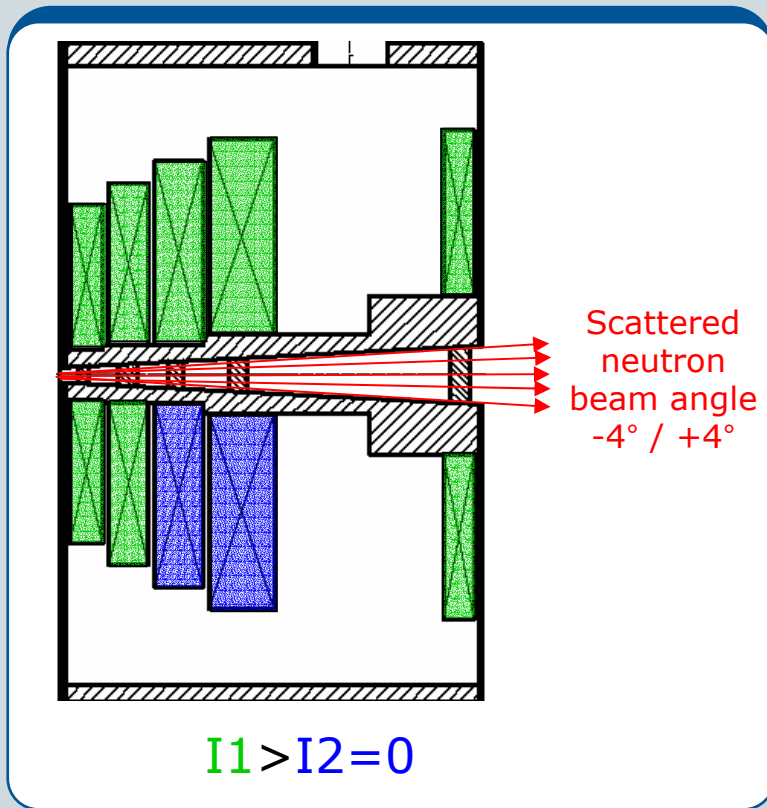


Polarized Neutrons / Asymmetric mode operation

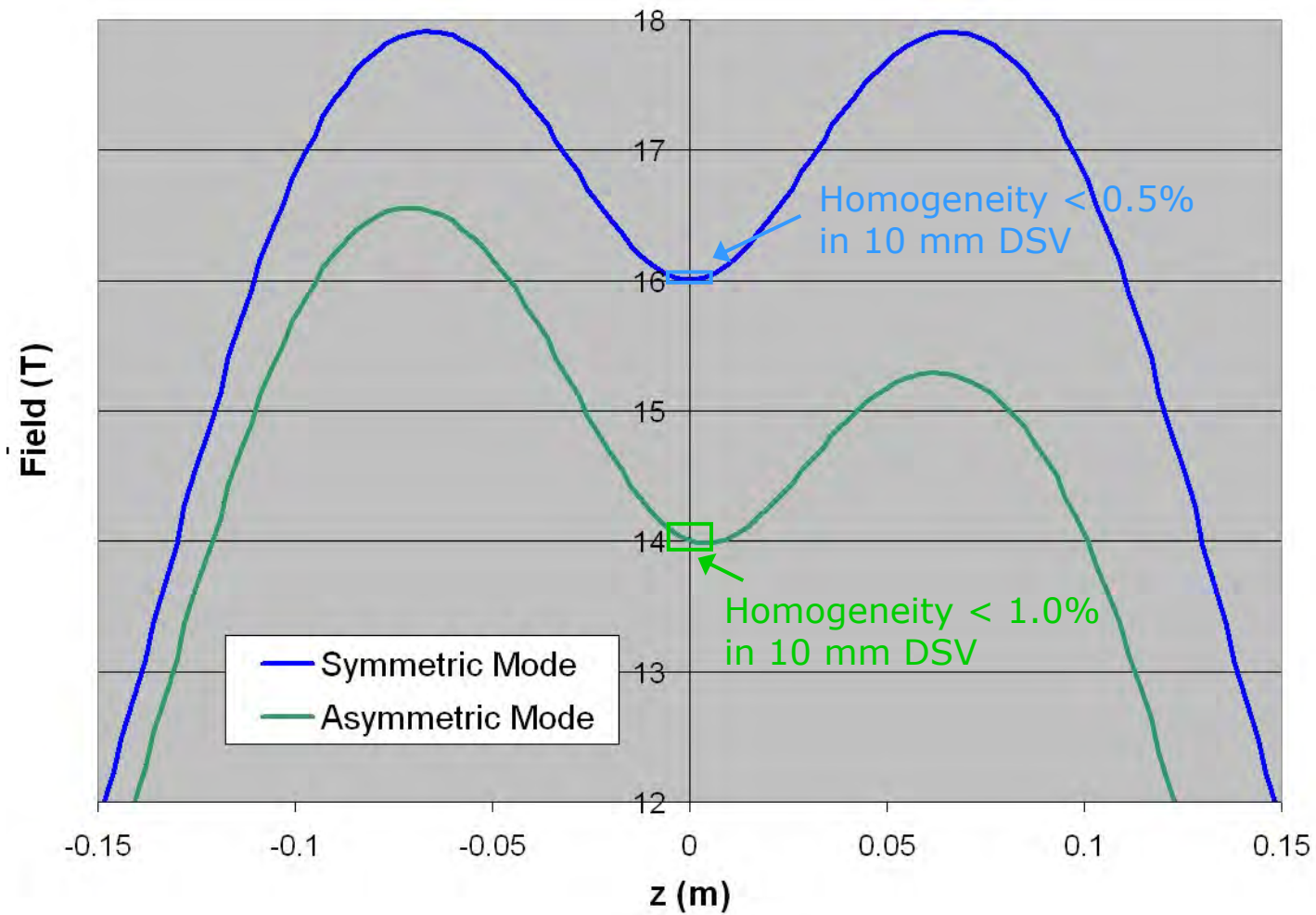
Asymmetric mode operation
(up to 14 Tesla)



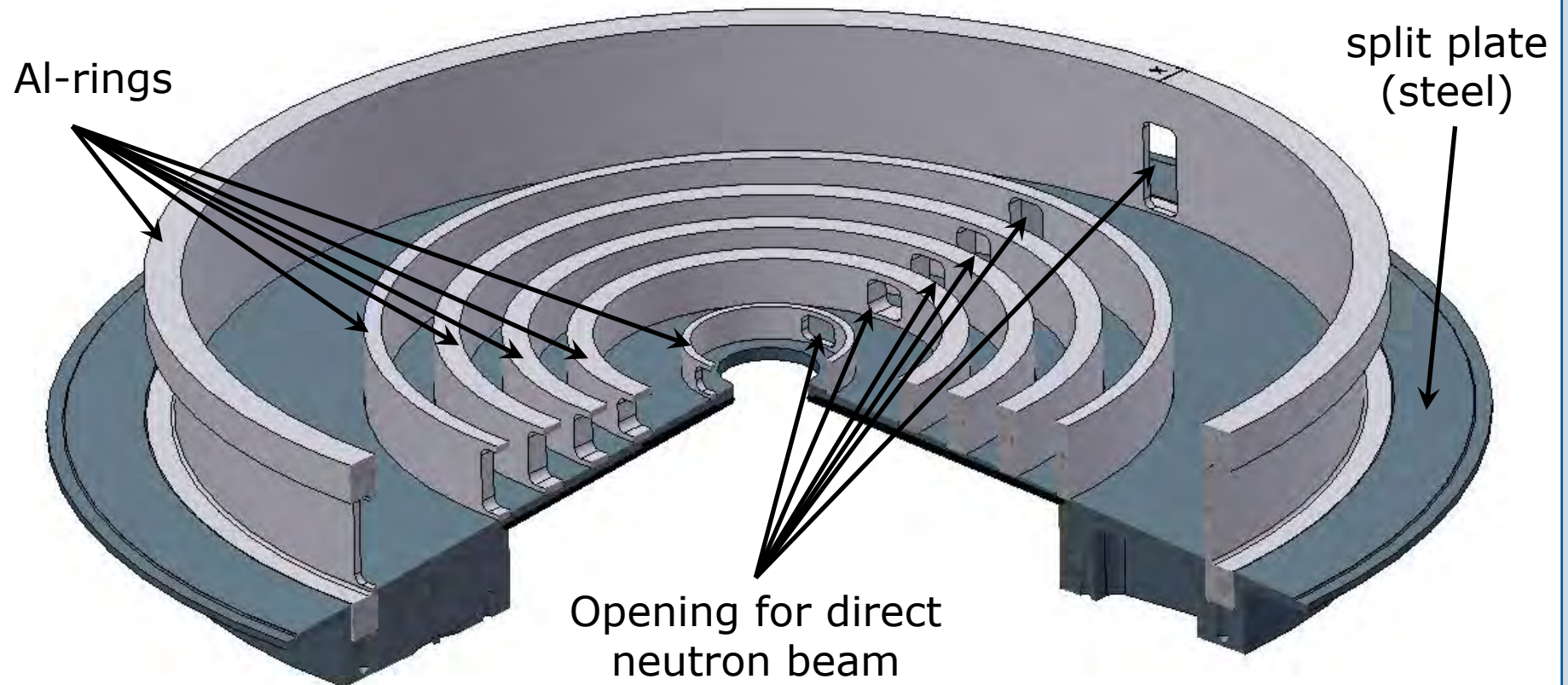
Polarization > 97% for polarized neutrons with a wavelength > 0.5 Å (for initially perfectly polarized beam) at fields larger than 1 Tesla



On-axis field plot



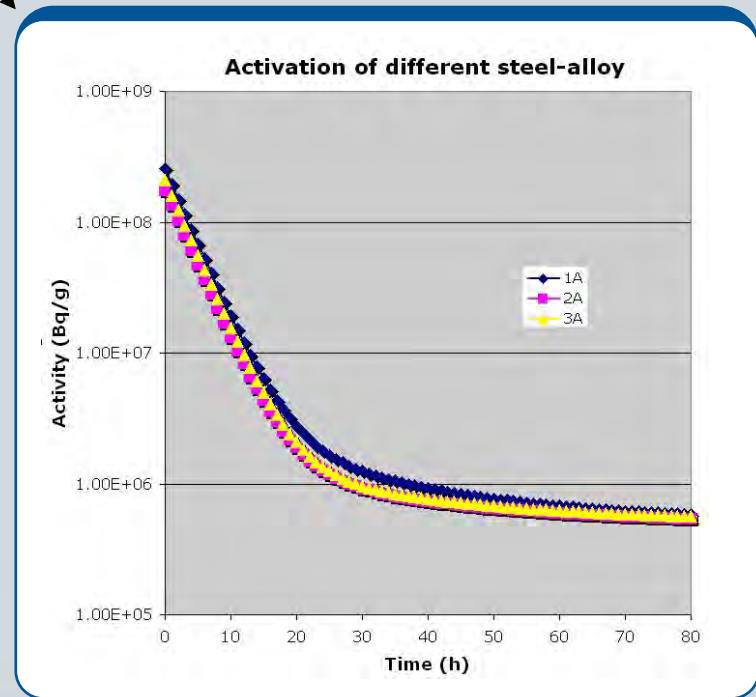
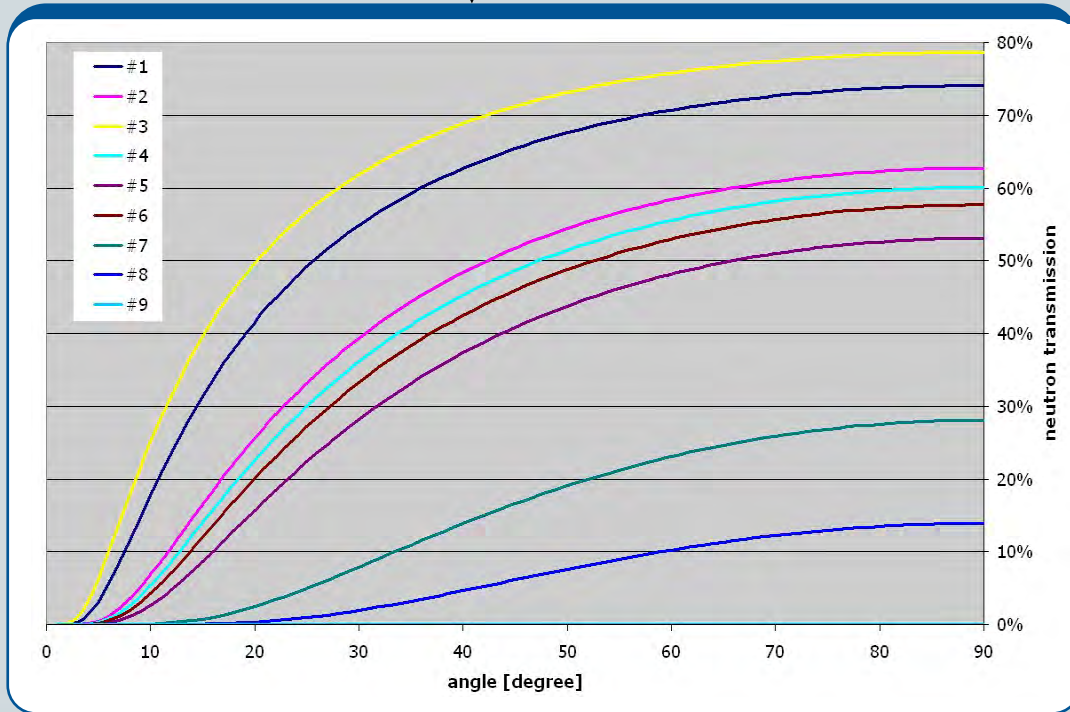
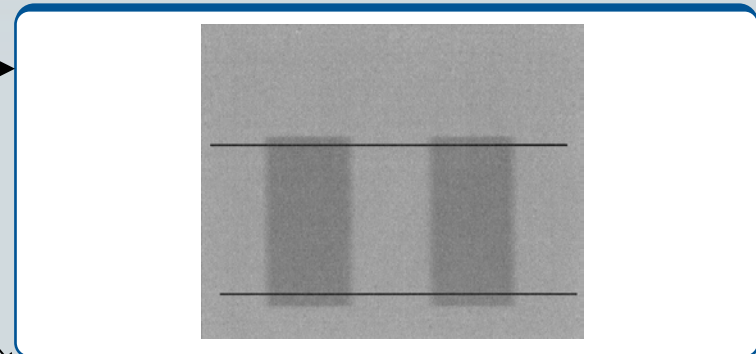
Split region





Test of materials in neutron beam

- absorption/scattering of different Al-alloys (transmission measurements)
- activation measurements of different Al- and steel-alloys (irradiation tests)
- absorption of neutron-absorbing coating for split-plate

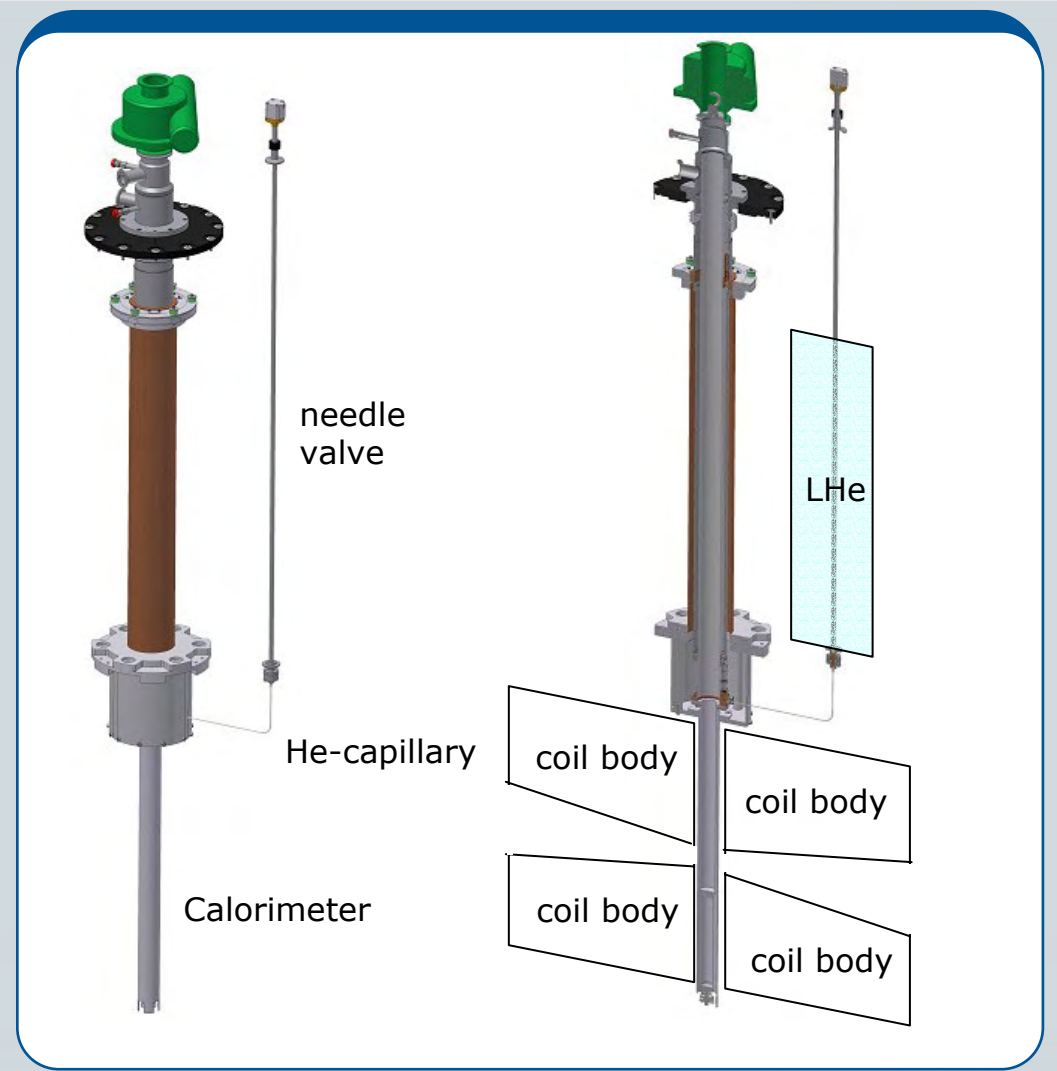


VTI for 16 Tesla Split Coil Magnet System

Variable Temperature Insert (VTI) developed in close collaboration with ILL, Grenoble (France)

- **Main specifications**

- 2-300 K in 34mm bore
- Only pure Al in beam plane
- Can accommodate dilution insert
- Can accommodate furnace

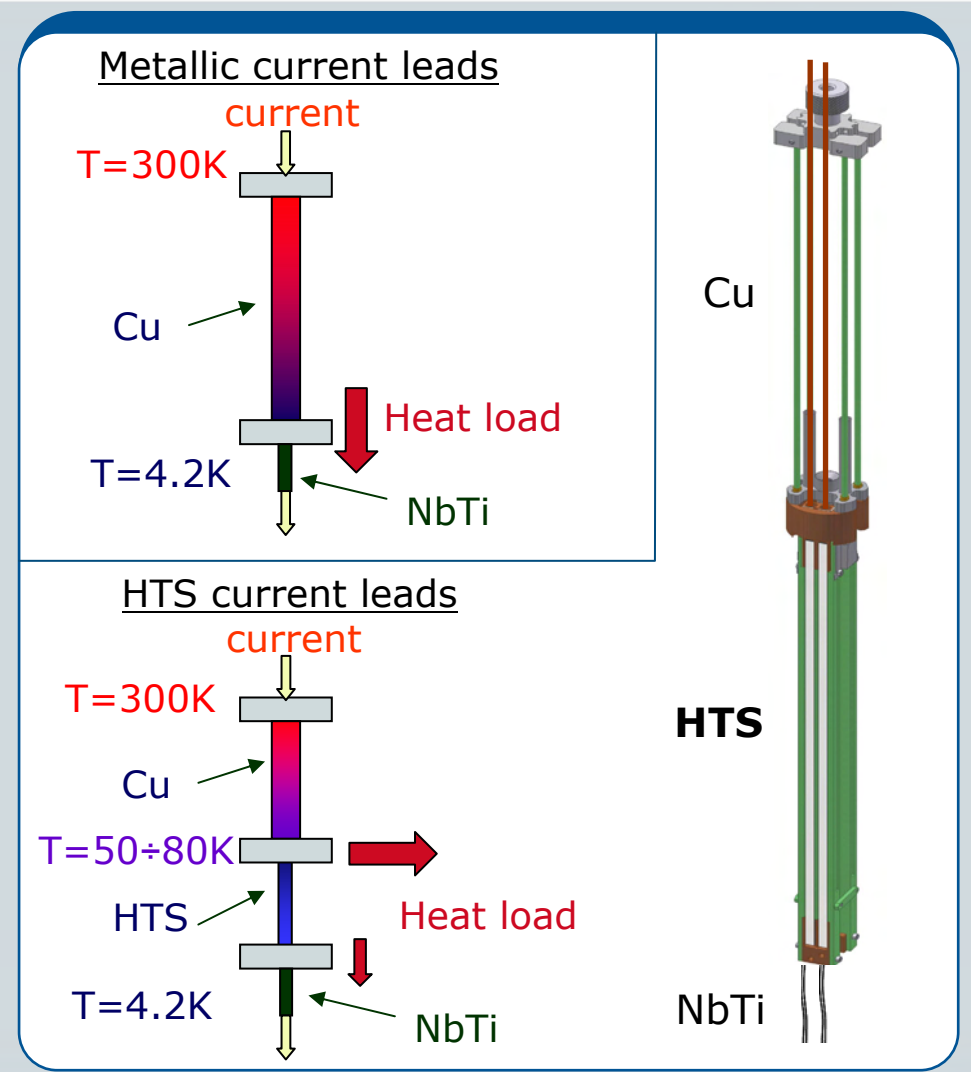


HTS current leads

• Advantage of HTS current leads

- Heat load reduction
- Long cryogenic hold time
- Cooling cost reduction
- Smaller cross sectional area

LHe hold time at 4.2 K	
Specification	4 days
<i>Metallic current leads</i>	<i>~ 4 days</i>
Low-loss HTS current leads	~ 8 days



Timeline

- Feasibility has been checked
- Appropriate materials within the beam region have been identified
- Specifications of the magnet system have been defined

Contract has been signed in October 2006

Final system specification review took place in February 2007

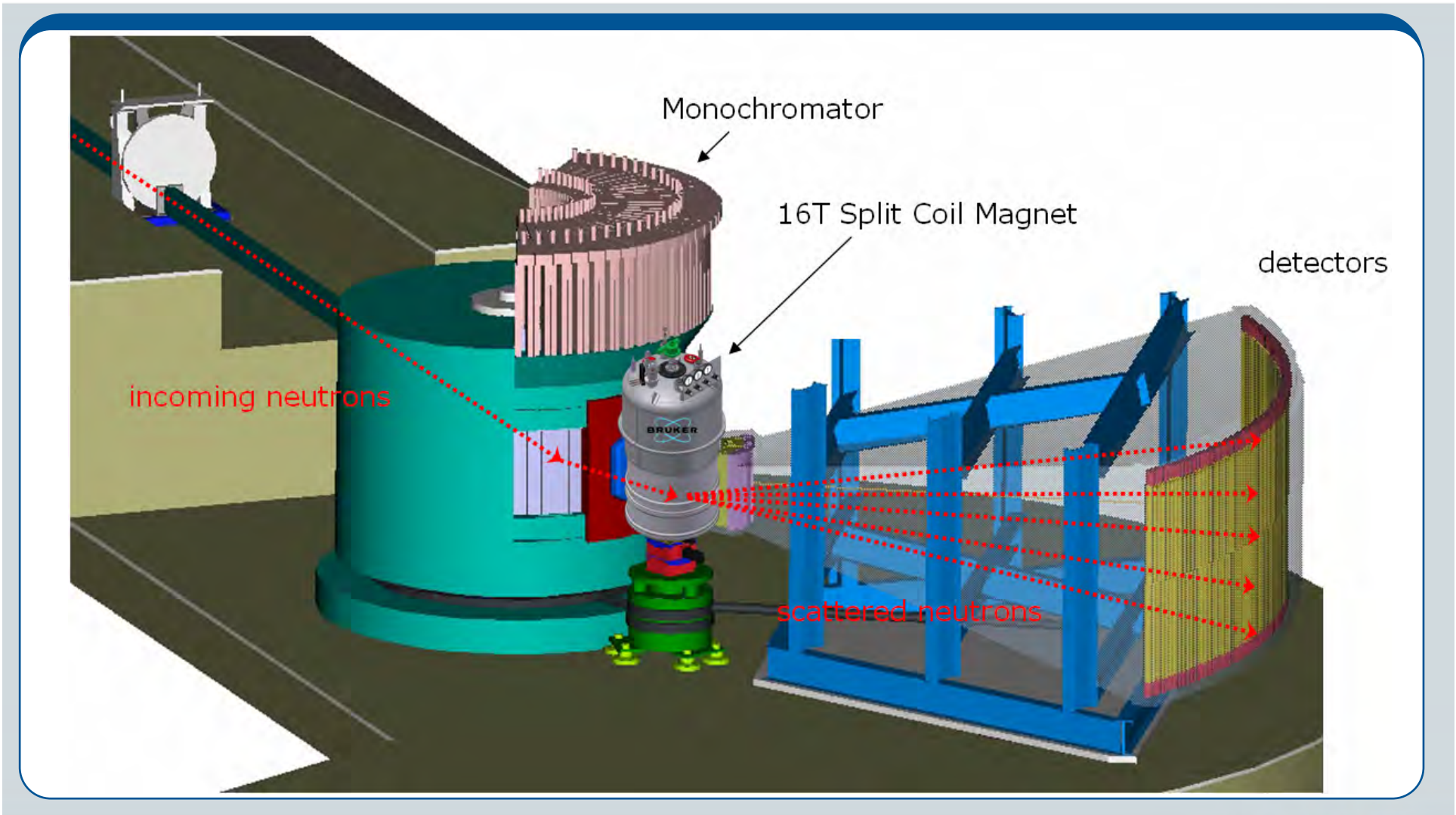
1st quarter 2008 – 4th quarter 2008: construction of magnet system

Design review took place in January 2008

1st quarter 2009 – 2nd quarter 2009: magnet tests at Bruker and at PSI

2nd quarter 2009: delivery to the Spallation Neutron Source (Oak Ridge, USA)

High-field magnet at the HYSPEC (SNS)



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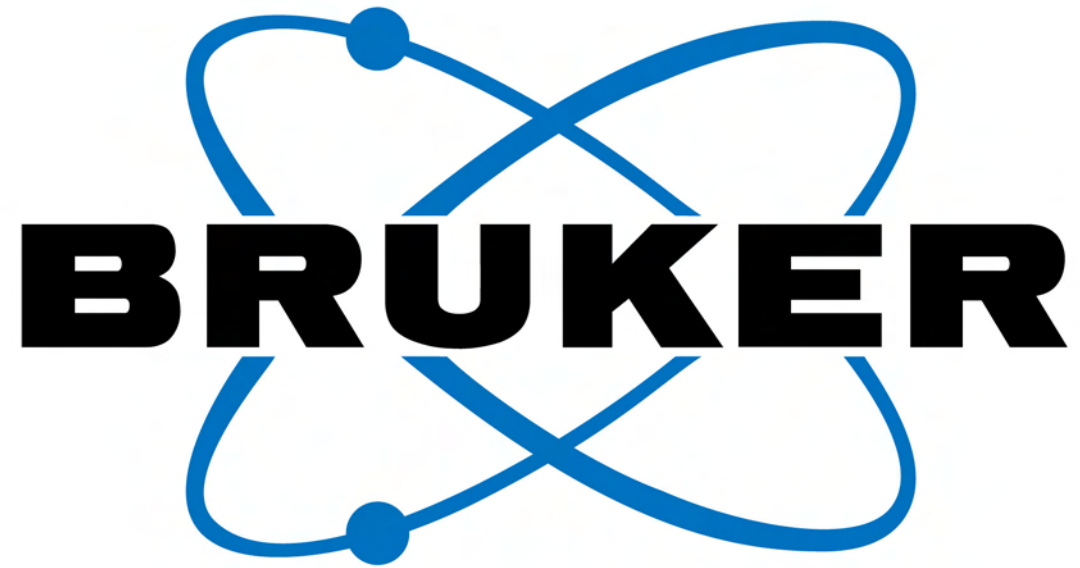
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