RECENT DEVELOPMENTS OF HTS MAGNETS FOR POLARIZED NEUTRON SCATTERING

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What is HTS-110

- HTS-110 is a New Zealand company specialising in the design and manufacture of HTS magnets
- Established in April 2004 building on 20 years of HTS R&D in government research labs.
- Owned by Scott Technology, a listed New Zealand company.









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Magnet requirements for polarized neutron scattering

Polarized neutron scattering is a powerful tool for probing magnetic structures.

- One of the key issues of polarized neutron scattering experiments is to maintain the polarization of a neutron beam on its way through the main field inside and the fringe field outside a high field superconducting magnet. It is required adiabatic passage across the entire beam cross-section.
- In addition, ³He spin-filter cells extensively used for polarization and analysis of the neutron beam are very sensitive to the fringe field. It is required very low fringe fields at the positions of polarizer and analyser.



Experimental setup for neutron polarization analysis by Wolff et al.(2006)







Conventional LTS magnets for polarized neutron scattering

- ➢ Wire: NbTi or Nb₃Sn
- Split pair geometry
- Horizontal or vertical field configuration
- Symmetric or asymmetric mode (for polarised neutrons)
- Compatible with VTI
- Active shielding to reduce magnetic fringe fields
- Coil support with Aluminium rings, or "wedge" pillars
- Cooling: mostly LHe wet or recondensing systems



NbTi Wire in channel







Nb₃Sn wire





Vertical configuration

Horizontal configuration



HTS magnets for polarized neutron scattering



Type I HTS magnet

| Description | Value |
|---|--|
| Peak Central Field | > 2.3 T |
| Sample volume | Ø25 mm |
| Vertical room temperature bore | 2 X Ø80 mm with an opening angle of 40° |
| Horizontal room temperature bore | 2 X Ø80 mm with an opening angle of 40° |
| | 1 X Ø80 mm with a horizontal opening angle of 150° and a vertical opening angle of 40° |
| Fringe field at distance of 1.8 m from centre of magnetic field | 5 Gauss |
| Field homogeneity in 15 mm DSV | < 2% |
| Maximum current | 220 A |
| Ramping rate to full field | < 10 min |
| Cool-down time | < 1 day |
| Dimensions | 363 x 596 x 794 mm |
| Mass - magnet and cryocooler (Approx.) | 185 kg |
| Mass – compressor (F-70L) | 100 kg |













Type II HTS magnet

| Description | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Peak Central Field | > 3 T |
| Sample volume (Diameter Spherical | 21 mm |
| Volume) | |
| Vertical sample access | Ø81 mm |
| Horizontal opening angle | ±16° |
| Zero field nodes | Outside of the magnet body |
| Fringe field at 0.4 m outside of the | < 10 Gauss |
| magnet shielding in the direction | |
| perpendicular to the field | |
| Field homogeneity in 21 mm DSV | < 3.5% |
| Field homogeneity in 15 mm DSV | < 2% |
| Zero-field nodes | Outside the magnet cryostat |
| Maximum current | 225 A |
| Ramping rate | 0.6 T/min |
| Cool-down time | 1 day |
| Dimensions | < 550 x 550 x 1000 mm |
| Mass - magnet and cryocooler (Approx.) | < 360 kg |
| Mass – compressor (F-70H) | 100 kg |











Type III HTS magnet

Vertical field up to 3 T

- 52 mm pole gap
- Sample (beam) access: 52 X 160 mm
- Ø52 mm transverse access
- Cool-down time: 30 hours
- Fringe field: < 5 Gauss (at 1 m)</p>
- Weight: 180 kg
- Dimensions: 711 X 577 X 684 mm
- Optional magnetic field entry/exit correction







2.5 T HTS magnet for x-ray scattering

| Description | Value |
|--|---------------------------------|
| Peak Central Field | >2.5 T |
| Magnetic field | Variable fields form 0 to 2.5 T |
| Magnet type | Cryogen-free |
| Field orientation | Vertical and horizontal |
| Field homogeneity in 10 mm DSV | ±0.7% |
| Axial room temperature bore | Ø50 mm |
| Axial Bore Length to Magnet Centre | 130 mm |
| Horizontal room temperature bore | Ø50 mm with a horizontal |
| | opening angle of 180° and a |
| | vertical opening angle of ±5° |
| Cryostat Radius | 130 mm |
| Magnet Center to BSA Support | < 380 mm |
| 5 Gauss line in the axial direction to | < 1.4 m |
| magnet centre @2.5 T | |
| 5 Gauss line in the radial direction | < 1.1 m |
| to magnet centre @2.5 T | |
| Maximum operating current | 230 |
| Dimensions | 509 X 395 X 703 mm |
| Maximum ramping time | < 3 minute |
| Cool-down time | < 24 hours |
| Peak inductance (approx.) | 0.55 H |
| Mass – magnet, cryocooler and | 112 kg |
| cradle (approx.) | |
| Mass - compressor | 100 kg |











10 T asymmetric, active shielding magnet

| Description | Value |
|--|--|
| Peak Central Field | 10 T |
| Field orientation | Horizontal |
| Sample volume | 10X10X10 mm |
| Vertical sample access | Ø50 mm |
| Horizontal neutron access | two beam path in vacuum, perpendicular to each other, , enclosed with sapphire window |
| Scattering angle | ± 10° |
| Zero field node | outside the neutron beam |
| Fringe field at 1 m distance in the small coil axial direction | < 10 Gauss |
| Fringe field at 1 m distance in the radial direction | < 10 Gauss |
| Fringe field at 4 m distance in the big coil axial direction | < 0.5 Gauss |
| Field homogeneity in 1 cm ³ | < 2.0% |
| Maximum current | 225 A |
| Operating temperature | 15 K |
| Inductance | 27 H |
| Total energy | 0.65 MJ |
| Ramping rate to full field | 40 min |
| Cool-down time | 5 day |
| Estimated Dimensions | 800 x 750 x < 1500 mm |
| Estimated Mass - magnet and cryocooler | 600 kg |
| Mass – compressor (F-70H) | 2 X 100 kg |









10 T asymmetric, active shielding magnet



















Summary

- By exploiting the use of iron in the magnetic circuits, three types of passively shielded HTS magnets with symmetrical coils were successfully developed for polarized neutron scattering experiments over the last decade. These magnets are well used in neutron facilities worldwide. However, these magnets are designed to provide medium magnetic fields up to 3 T.
- Recently a horizontal, asymmetric and actively shielded HTS magnet for polarized neutron scattering is being developed by Heinz Maier-Leibnitz Zentrum (MLZ) and HTS-110 to provide a maximum magnetic field of 10 T with fringe fields less than 10 Gauss at 1 m from the magnetic centre. This design demonstrated HTS magnets would be a great candidate for polarized neutron scattering at higher fields.







Thank you for your attention!!! Any questions?

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