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# Optimization of the Cryogenic Current Comparator (CCC) for Beam Intensity Measurement

## Outline

- CCC: Motivation and working principle
- Beam measurements at GSI and CERN/AD
- Thermal drift and system noise
- Numerical calculations for shielding design
- The new CCC for FAIR and CRYRING
- Summary and Outlook

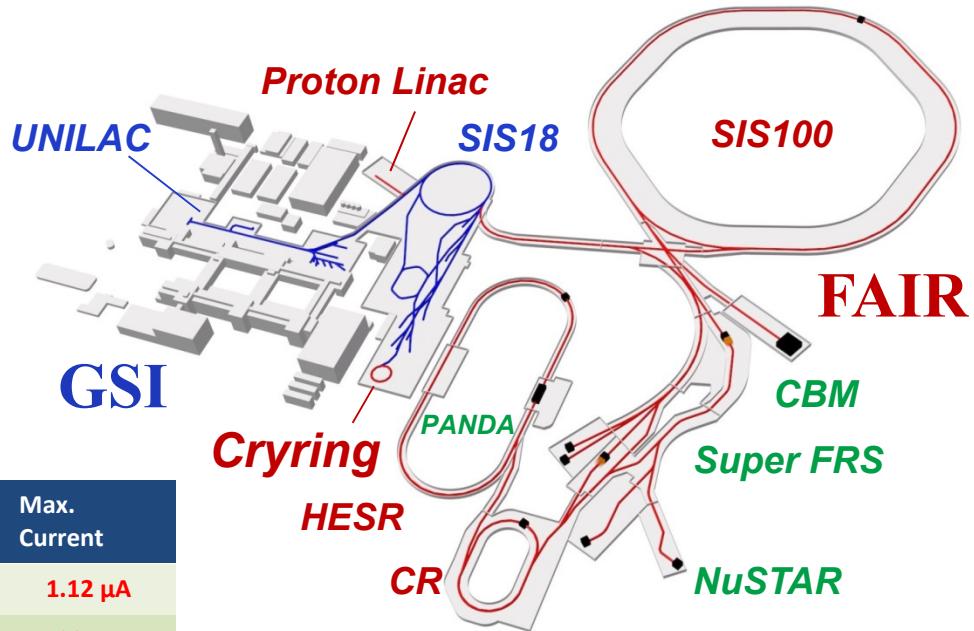
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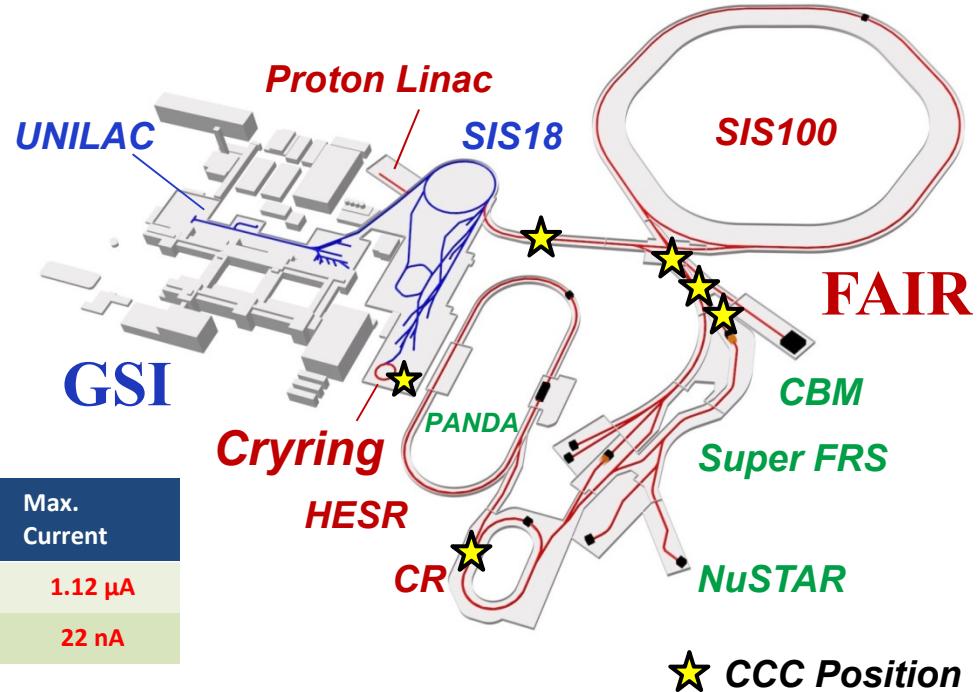
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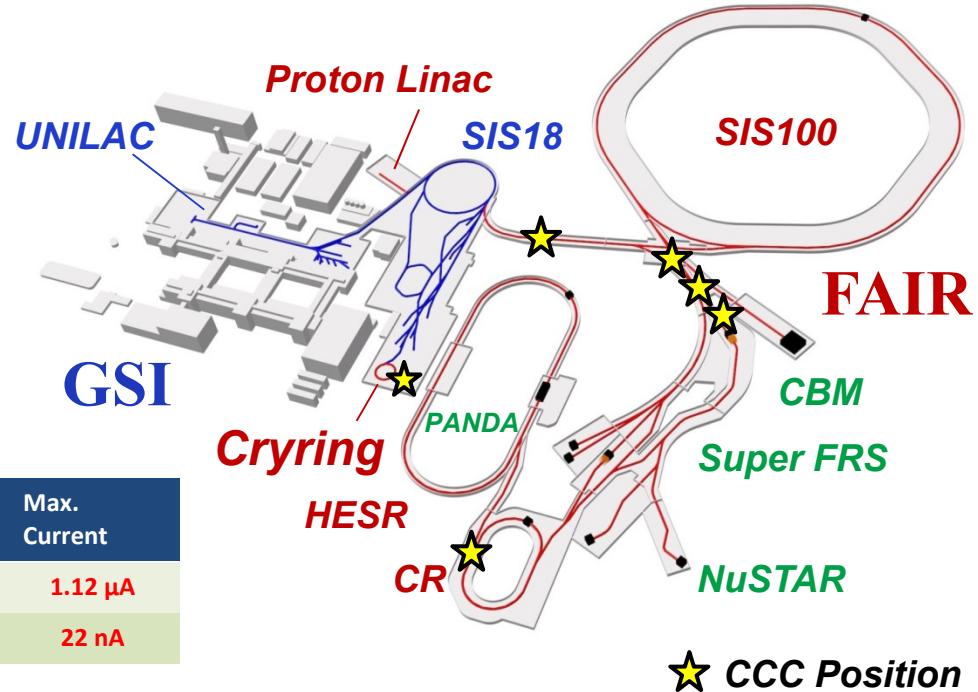
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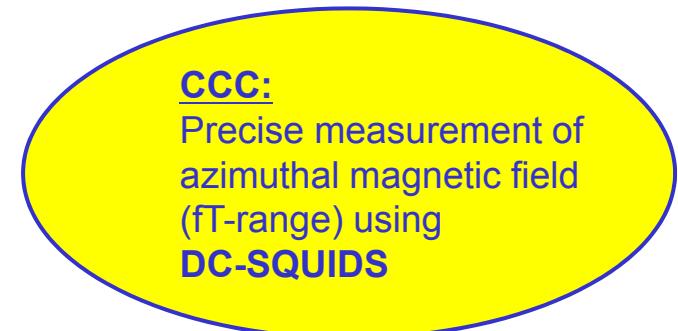
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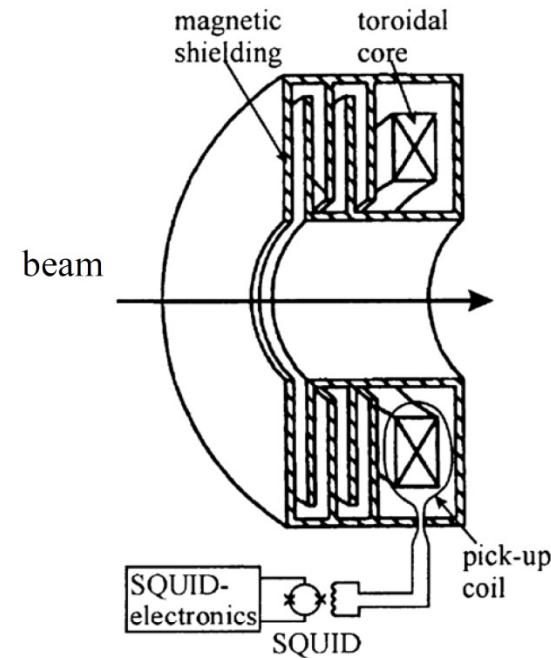
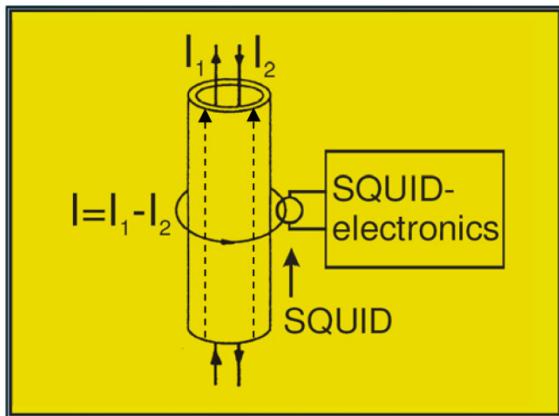
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### CCC (Harvey 1972):

- Uses Meissner-effect and SQUID for  $I_1/I_2$  measurement
- If  $I_1 \neq I_2$  magn. field produces compensation current
- Magnetic flux through SQUID  $\rightarrow$  voltage change

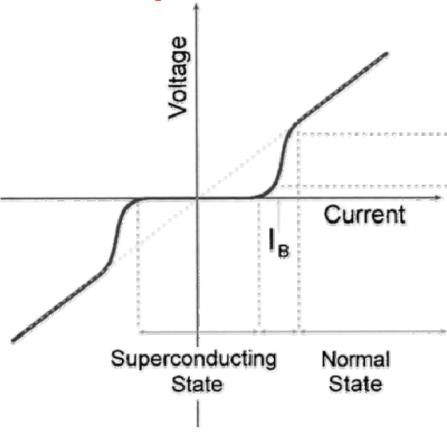
### For charged particle beams:

$$I_{comp} = I_1 - I_2 = I_{beam} - 0 \quad (\text{position independent})$$

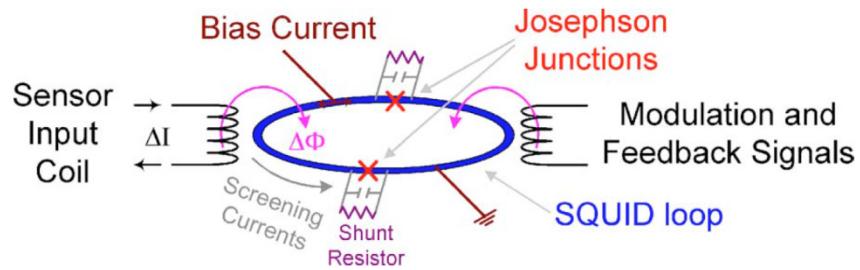
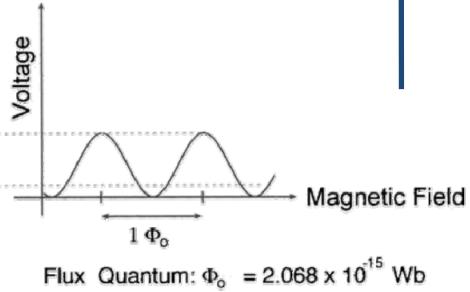
- SC shielding for non-azimuthal fields
- SC pickup coil with toroidal core ( $\mu_r \approx 50000$ )
- Low noise, high performance DC SQUID + control electronics (FSU Jena)  $\rightarrow$  commercial products (MAGNICON, SUPRACON)
- FLL electronics:  $\rightarrow \mu\Phi_0 \text{ Res.}$

SQUID principle uses two quantum effects:

## Josephson Effect

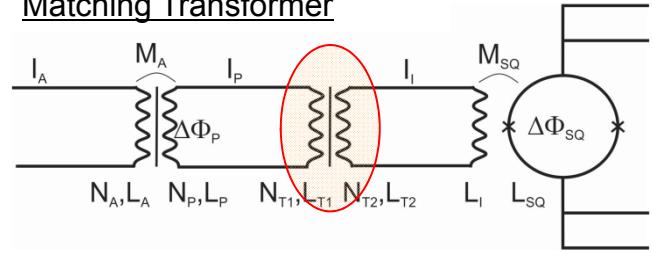


## Flux Quantisation

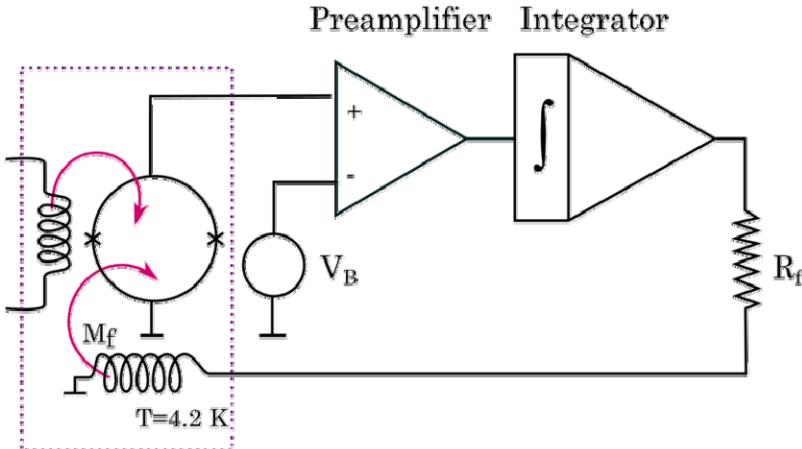


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## Matching Transformer



Schematic of the FLL /SQUID electronics



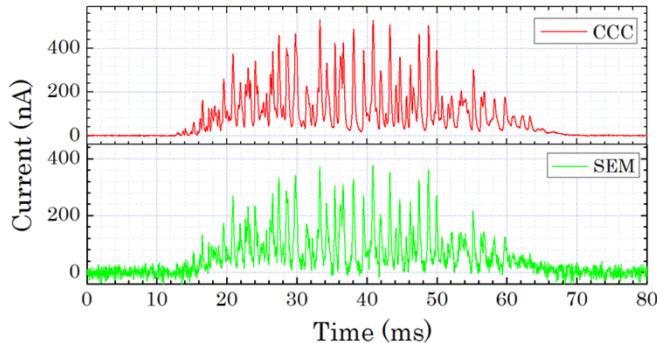
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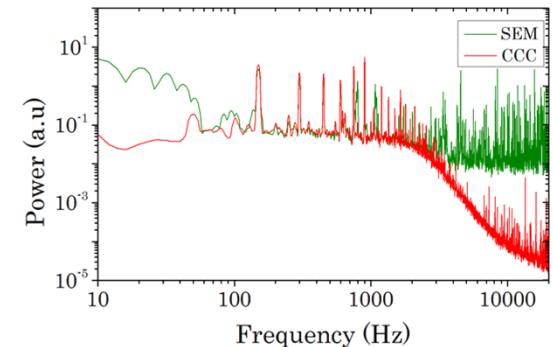
## Experimental setup

- GSI CCC prototype system refurbished, new vacuum/ cryogenics comp., electrical connections, calibration loop, T-sensors...
  - Supracon SQUID installed in combination with Magnicon electronics + readout (VITROVAC toroid)
  - Manual He filling 30l / 10h
  - Installation at BD testbench in SIS18 extraction line
  - DAQ = oscilloscope + Laptop for sensors and SQUID
  - Beam parameters: 600 MeV/u Ni<sup>26+</sup>, extr. times 64 ms – 5 s
- Current resolution (100 Hz):**  
**120 pA/√Hz (old setup 250 pA/√Hz)**

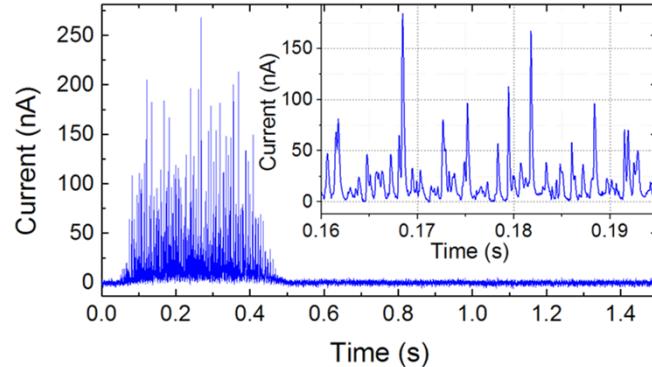
Spill measurement with CCC and SEM



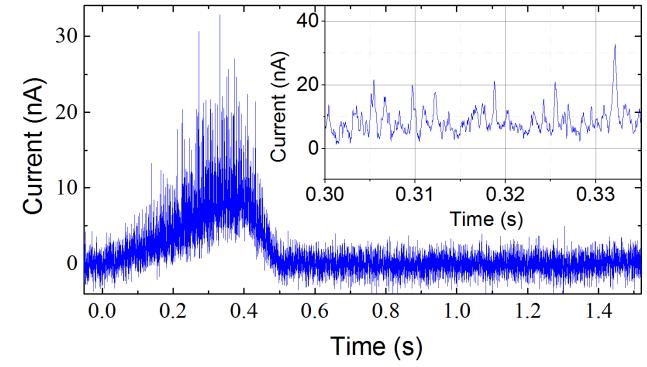
FFT spectrum



Spill analysis unbunched beam



Bunched beam



Collaboration between FSU/HIJ, IPHT Jena, CERN, TU DA and GSI since 2014

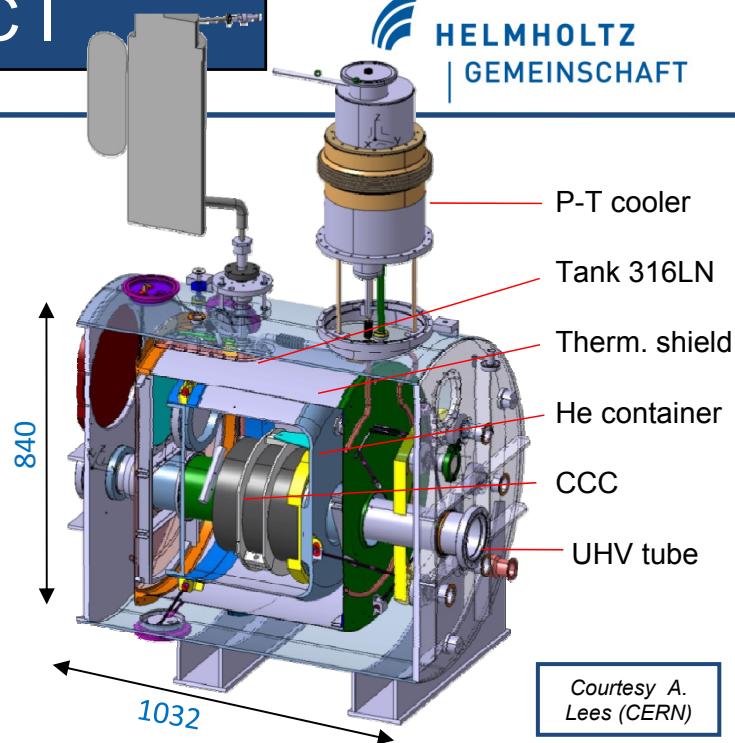
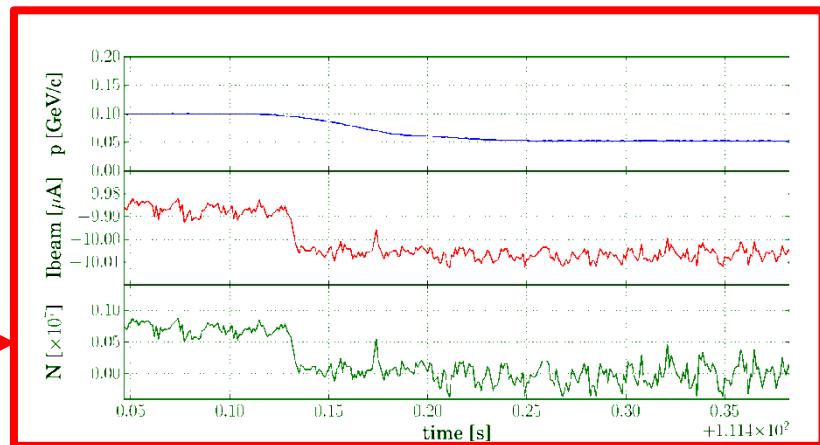
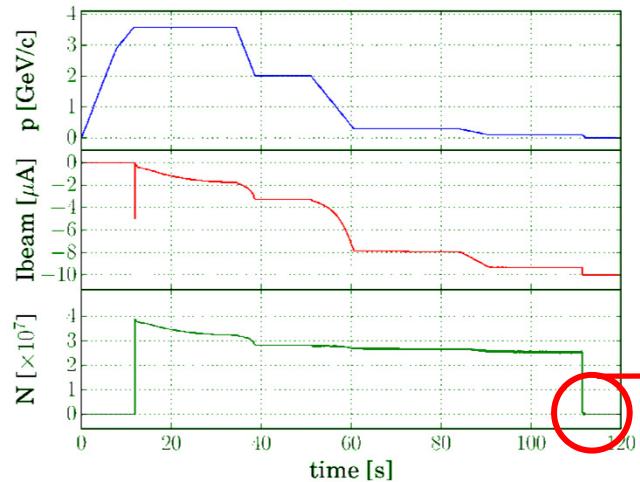
Requirements in AD:

- Intensity measurement alternative to Schottky
- Current resolution: 10 nA
- Bandwidth DC - 1 kHz, slew rate damping
- Stand alone system, integrated in AD control system

- Nb shield, 100 mm beamtube (UHV), Magnicon SQUID
- New cryostat design with improved vibrational damping + reliquefier

Status: 'Routine' operation in AD, requirements fulfilled

tbd: optimization work on signal processing (AD ramp + pulsed tube cooler), cryostat and electronics



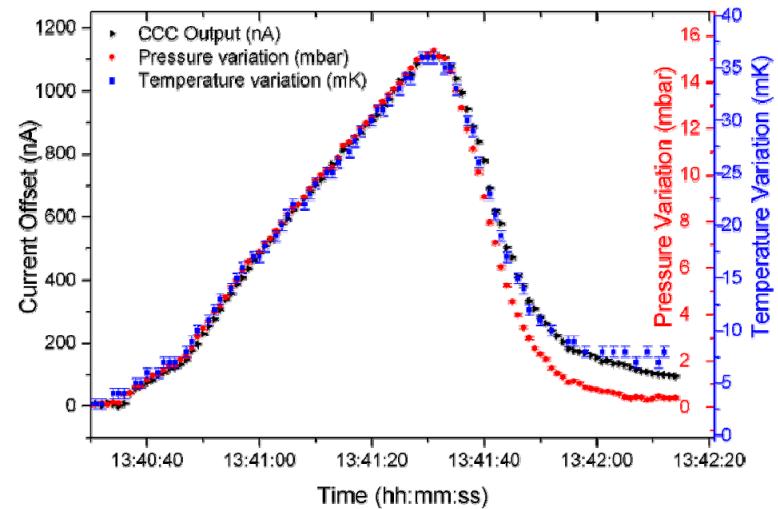
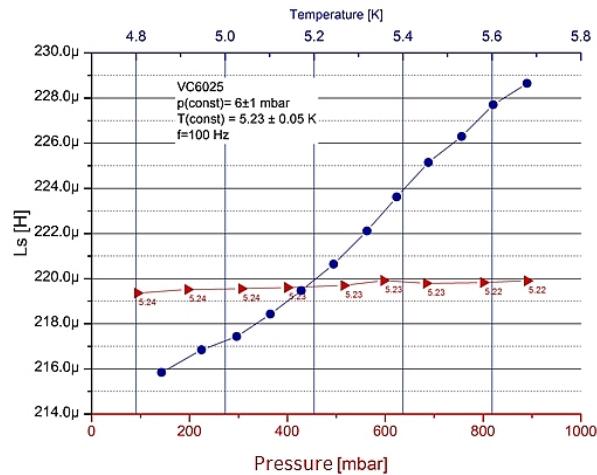
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## Offset temperature/pressure dependence

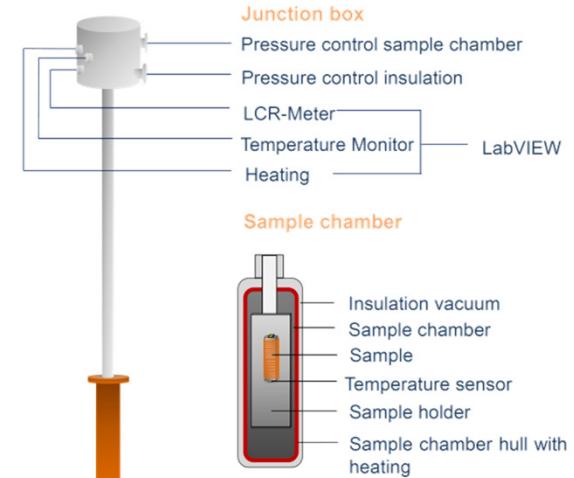
- Baseline drift of  $\sim 1\text{nA/s}$  observed during beam tests, curve flattens when thermal equilibrium is reached
- If T/P effect, high relevance due to backpressure + fluctuations from recovery lines  
→ offline tests with closed exhaust line
- Effect investigated at Jena with 'anticryostat' setup, decoupling T and P

Reason identified as T-dependent inductance variation

→ can this be avoided ? → coreless CCC ?



Experimental setup: anticryostat

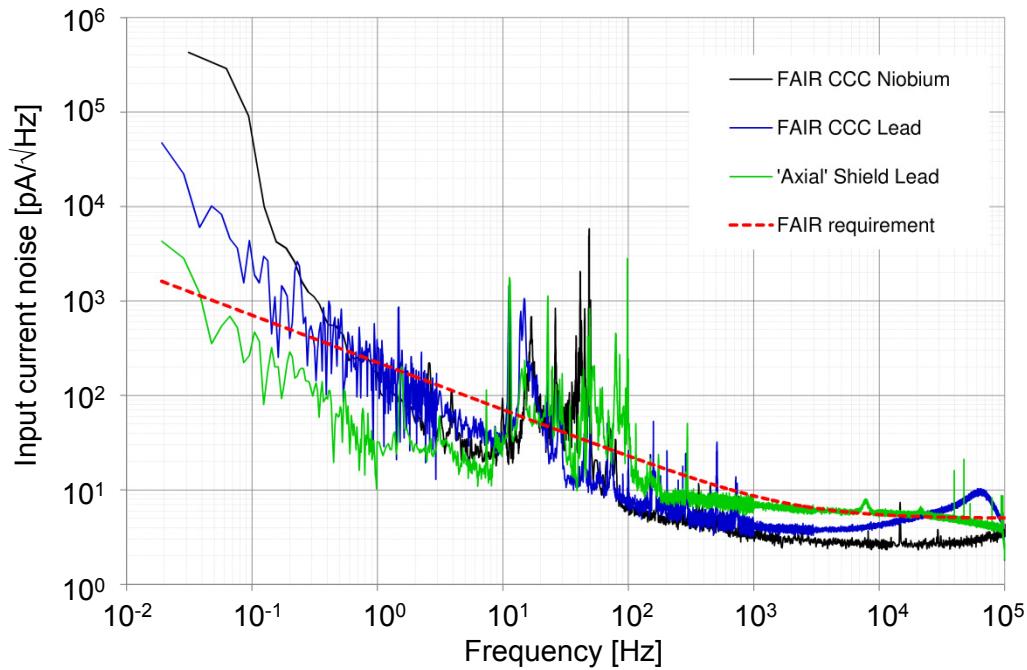


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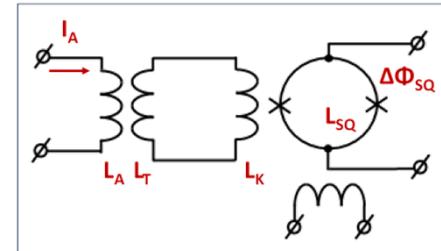
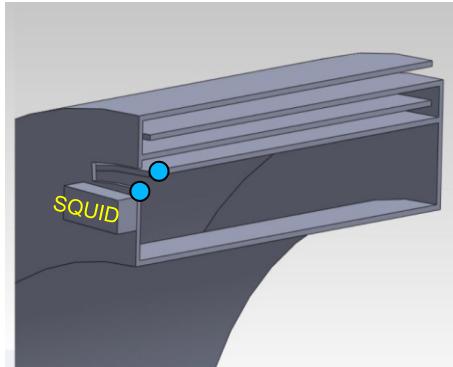
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**Can the CCC work without a toroid ?**

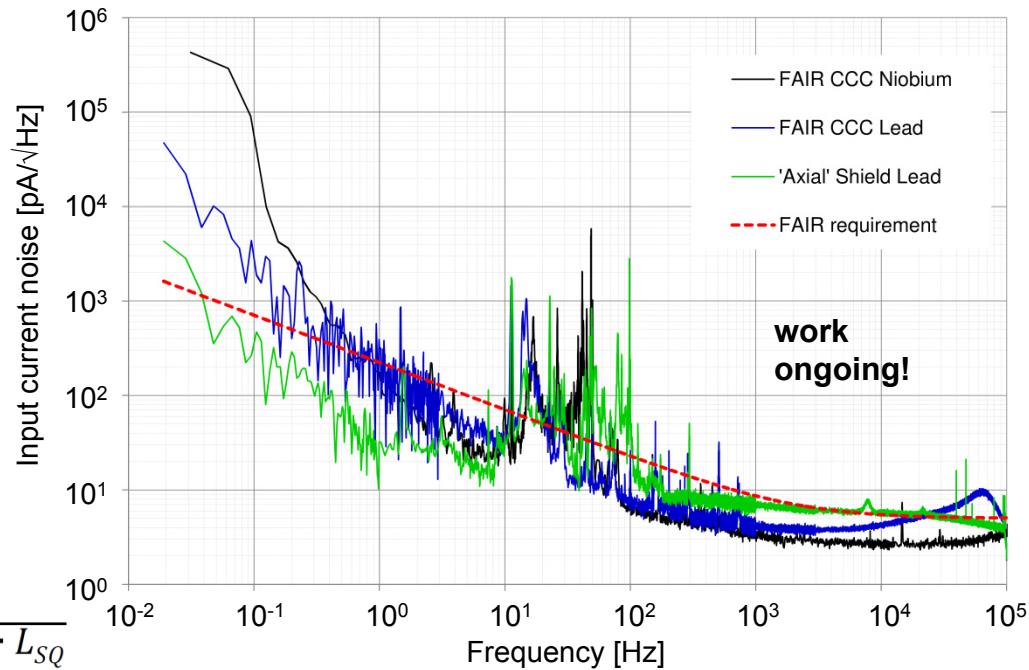
Current to flux transfer:

$$\frac{\Delta\Phi_{SQ}}{I_A} = \frac{\sqrt{L_A \cdot L_T \cdot L_K \cdot L_{SQ}}}{L_T + L_{par} + L_K}$$



$L_T$ : 100  $\mu$ H  $\rightarrow$  10 nH

Compensated by noise reduction ?



### Properties of axial shielding:

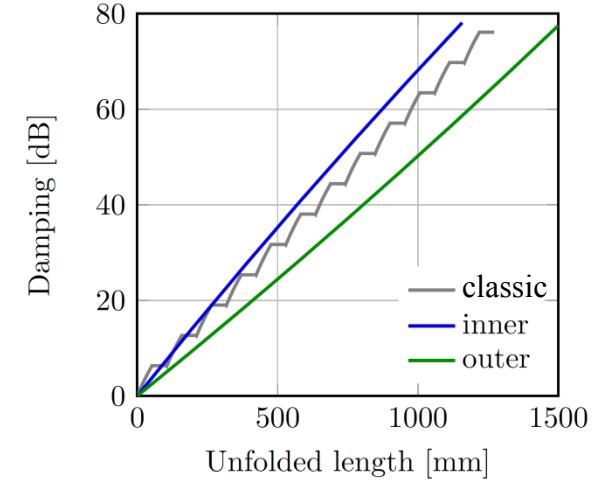
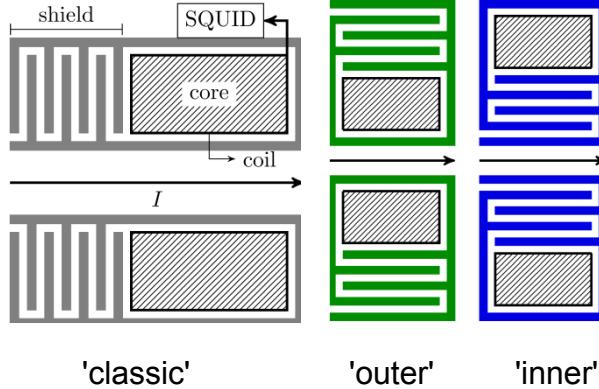
- no / reduced thermal drift
- no matching transformer (noise)
- simplified construction
- smaller Nb / Pb volume
- lower weight (Nb + toroid)

- reduced sensitivity (?)
- vibration sensitivity
- position dependence (?)

## Simulations performed with MWS to check shielding properties

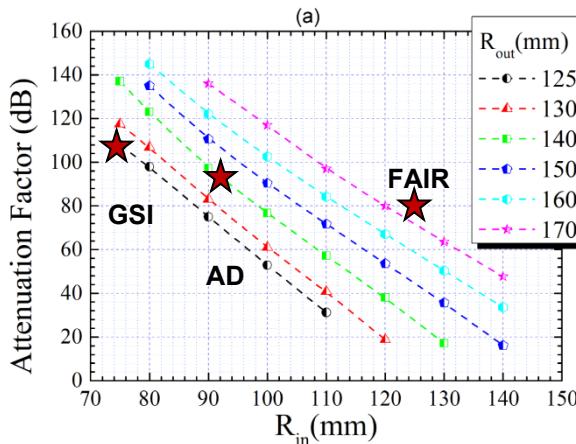
### Assumptions:

- Material = perfect diamagnet
- Shield currents + toroid not included
- Homogeneous dipole field used
- Real meander geometry used



## Shielding design for the FAIR and AD CCC

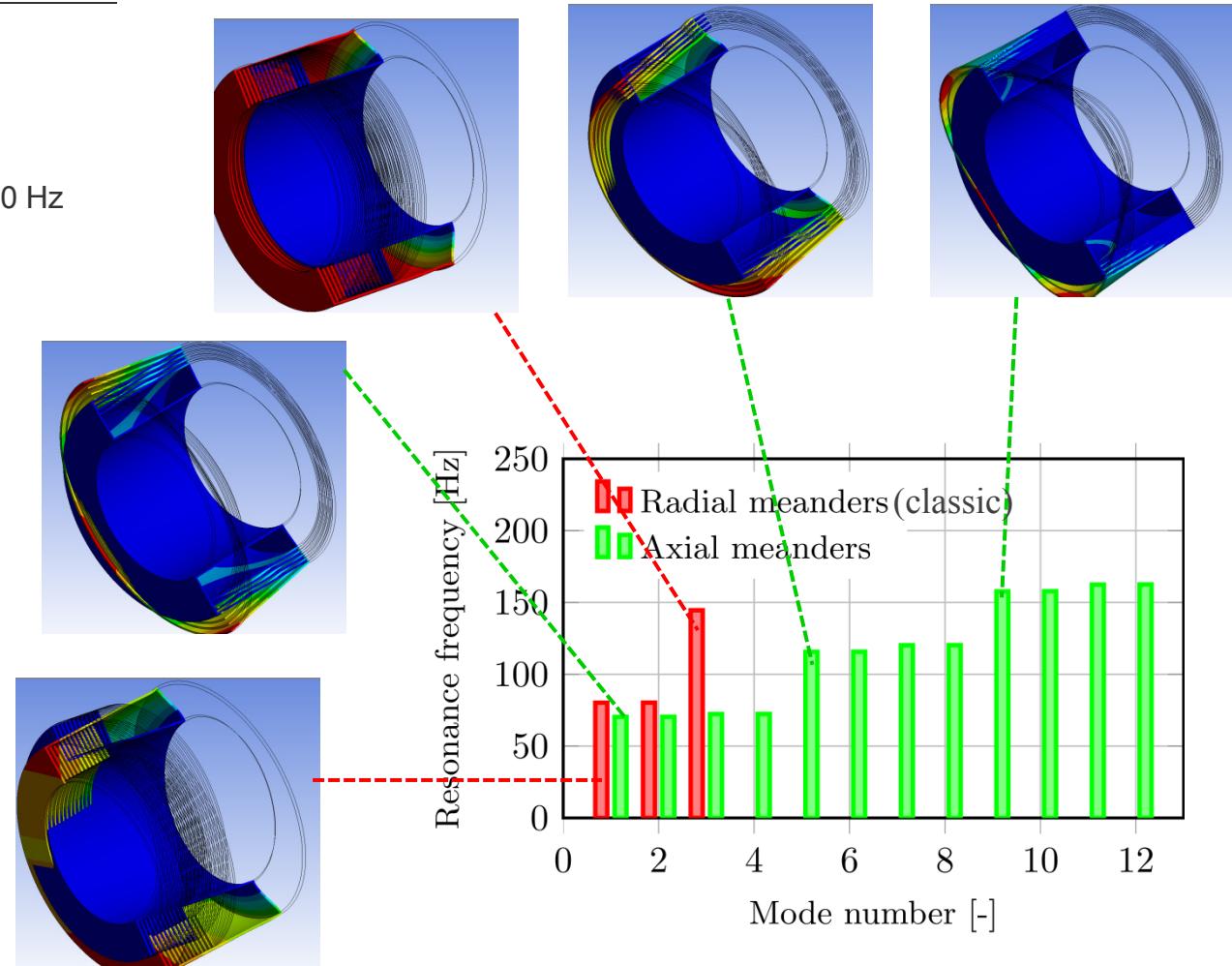
- Attenuation decreases for larger  $R_{in}$
- For given  $R_{in}$ : Attenuation increases for larger  $R_{out}$
- $R_{out}$  related to total shield mass and cryostat dimensions



- Number of meanders increases attenuation
- CCC-Prototype:  $R_{in}=75$  mm,  $R_{out}=125$  mm  $\rightarrow$  Att. 108 dB
- FAIR-CCC:  $R_{in}=125$  mm,  $R_{out}=175$  mm  $\rightarrow$  Att.  $\sim 80$  dB
- $\rightarrow$  4 more meanders required for comparable attenuation

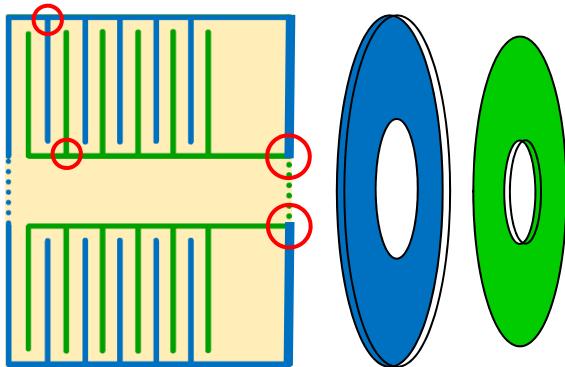
### SC shielding mechanical eigenmode analysis

- ANSYS<sup>©</sup> calculations to identify mechanical modes  $\leq 150$  Hz
- Geometry:  
**Radial:**  $R_i = 120$  mm;  
 $R_{out} = 170$  mm; Length 204 mm)  
**Axial:**  $R_i = 120$  mm,  
 $R_{out} = 184$  mm; Length 186 mm)
- inner cylinder considered as stable ( $\rightarrow$  PEEK fittings)
- modes in x and y-direction  $\rightarrow$  appear doubled
- tbd: detailed analysis of mode strength and displacement



## How to suppress shield eigenmodes ?

- production process:  
welding inner to inner and  
outer to outer segments
- GFK layer as distance holder



- modify GFK layer to avoid radial motion
- change material ?
- cylindrical symmetry required ?



Outer segment



Segment with spacers

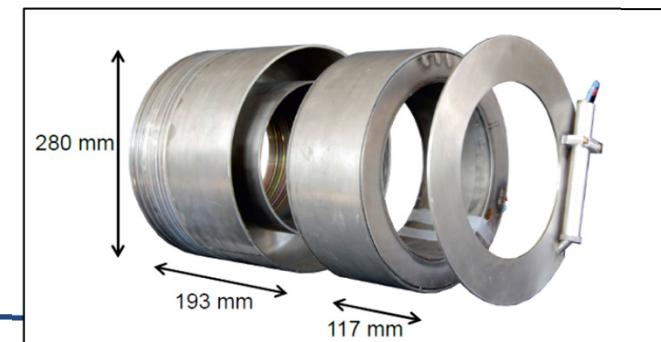


Fixation of GFK spacers

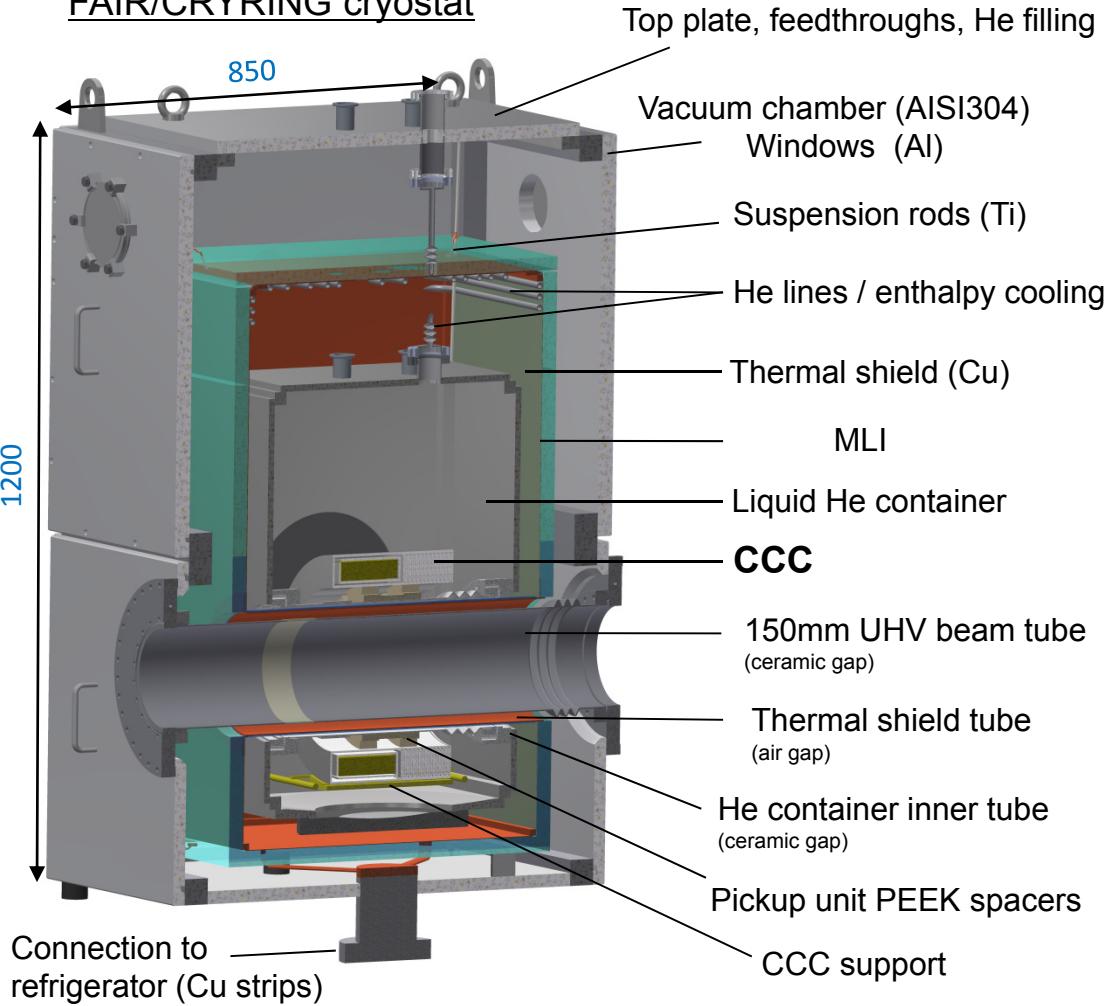


Inner and outer segments welded

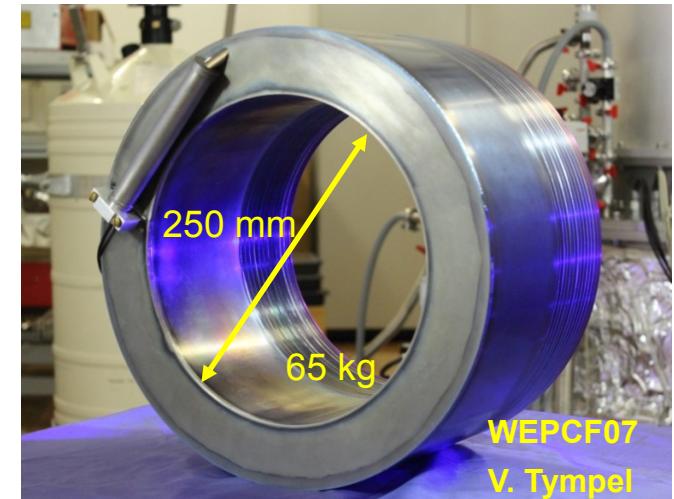
Shielding completed  
(AD size)



## FAIR/CRYRING cryostat



## FAIR CCC (FAT in April 2017)



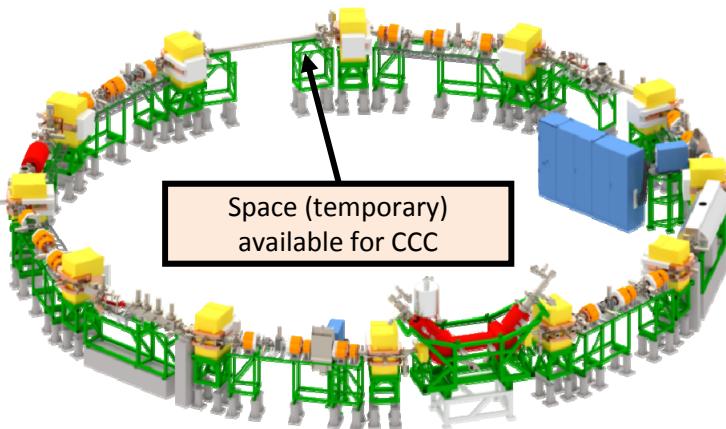
## System costs

Nb CCC	180 k€
Cryostat	200 k€
Liquefier	80 k€
SQUID + electronics	15 k€
DAQ	20 k€
Support	5 k€
<b>Total</b>	<b>~ 500 k€</b>

## CCC Test/Operation in Cryring@ESR

- Cryring = Swedish inkind contribution to FAIR
- Beam from ESR for Atomic Physics experiments
- Currently under commissioning (vacuum, ecool)
- Remains operational during FAIR shutdown !!!**

CCC: → tool for commissioning  
 → support for experimental program  
 → test bench for further development



## CCC test program

- Radiation hardness test at SIS18 in 2018 beamtime

## After CRYRING installation in 2018

- check new cryostat design + reliquefier scheme
- verification of FAIR CCC lab results
- Lead / Niobium comparison
- alternative shielding geometries
- CCC without toroid / new SQUID types
- FESA class for CCC
- improve MAGNICON electronics
- bakeable CCC version ?

## And in the following

- CCC with reference SQUID
- CCC cascades for enhanced dynamic range
- resonant operation for single particle detection
- + many other new ideas ☺

- Successfull operation of refurbished GSI prototype in 2014 (2 nA, 10 kHz)
- CCC standard diagnostics in AD now, some minor problems to be solved
- Detailed simulations for shield efficiency and mechanical resonances
- Thermal drift caused by toroid inductance change
- Excessive noise contributions from toroid and shield vibrations
- Tests of coreless (lead) pickup and new shield geometry (IPHT design) ongoing
  - new SQUID types with low intrinsic noise and high inductance
- XD-CCC for FAIR finished and tested successfully in Jena [WEPCF07]**
- Design for FAIR cryostat finished, funding approved, tendering starts after IBIC**
  
- CRYRING operational during FAIR shutdown → extensive CCC test program from 2018 on
- Follow-up application at BMBF planned



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