



**ACCELERATORS AND  
CRYOGENIC SYSTEMS**



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**A cryogenic system for the  
MYRRHA linac**

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## Outline

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possible 4K operation of Spoke cavities
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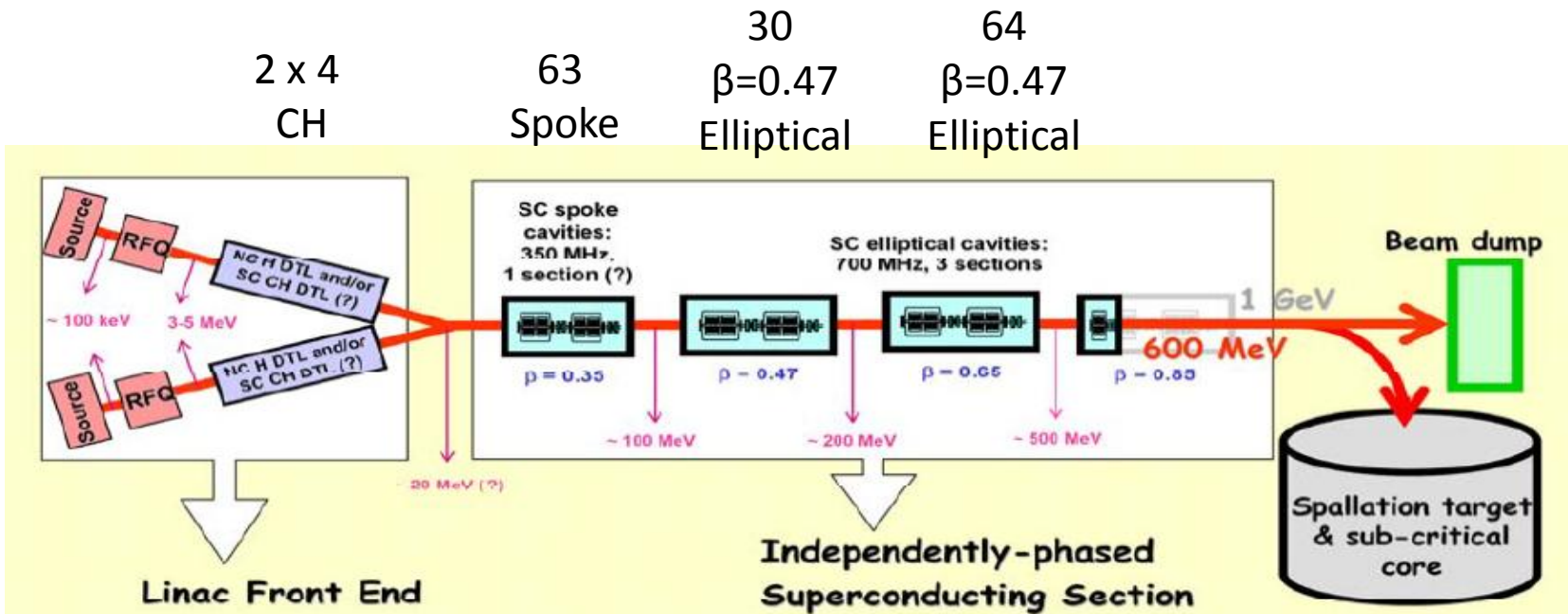
# Introduction

Temperature levels :

- 2K : cavities
- 5-20 K : couplers
- 40-80 K : thermal shield

Contributions to heat load :

- Static
- Dynamic (RF)



## Static heat load

	SNS [10]		XFEL [11]	CEBAF [12], [13]	Project X [14]
<b>Cryomodule content</b>	3 med- $\beta$ elliptical	4 high- $\beta$ elliptical	8 $\beta=1$ elliptical	8 $\beta=1$ elliptical	18 single spoke
<b>Focusing magnets</b>	outside cryomod	outside cryomod	1 inside	outside cryomod	18 solenoids inside cryomod
<b>Cryomodule Length (m)</b>	4.24	6.29	12.2	8.25	11.2
<b>Static Loss into 2 K (W/m)</b>	<b>4.64</b>	<b>3.55</b>	<b>0.11</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>1.73</b>
<b>Static Loss into 5-8 K (W/m)</b>		-	0.9	-	-
<b>Static Loss into 40-K (W/m)</b>	<b>36.55</b>	<b>30.36</b>	<b>5.82</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8.24</b>

**For MYRRHA, short cryomodules :**

- 5 W/m at 2K
- 40 W/m at 40 K

## Dynamic heat load on 2K

	Spoke $\beta=0.36$ 352 MHz	Elliptic $\beta=0.47$ 704 MHz	Elliptic $\beta=0.65$ 704 MHz
$R_{\text{res}}$ (n $\Omega$ )	10.0		
$R_{\text{BCS}}$ (n $\Omega$ )	0.8	3.2	3.2
$Q_0$ theoretical	9.35E+09	1.0E+10	1.3E+10
$E_{\text{acc}}$ (MV)	5.3	8.5	10.3
$Q_0$ exp*	2.2E+09	1.0E+10	3E+10
$P_{\text{cav}}$ (W)	<b>5</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>12.7</b>

\* Bosotti et al. , Visentin et al., Olry et al.

## Coupler heat loads at 5K

Coupler cooling by supercritical helium at 5 K (Mehdi Souli PhD thesis)

Current design : 1-2 loops, thermalization point ( temperature range : 5-20 K)

	Spoke 350 MHz	Elliptic 700 MHz $\beta=0.47$	Elliptic 700 MHz $\beta=0.65$
Number of cavities	63	30	64
RF power per cavity (kW)	6	20	35
Power in external conductor of coupler (W)	<b>0.7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5.3</b>
Static coupler losses (W)	<b>0.15</b>	<b>0.15</b>	<b>0.15</b>

## Coefficient of performance of cryoplant

$$\eta = \frac{1}{COP} = \frac{T}{T_r - T} \alpha(\text{power}, T)$$

Accelerator	LHC (one sector)		SNS		Project X		XFEL	
Type of data	measured				specifications			
Operating Temperature (K)	1.8		2		2		2	
Cryo Power (kW) @ 4.5 K	18		10		41		12	
Cryo Power (kW) at op. temp.	2.4		2.4		4.3		2.8	
COP (W/W) of 2K   4.5 K	<b>950</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>1150</b>	<b>386</b>	588	240	870	-
COP(T2)/COP(T1)	<b>3.96</b>		<b>2.97</b>		2.45		-	

For MYRRHA, cryo power at 2K : ~13 kW → Close to XFEL or one LHC unit

Realistic goal : **COP(2K) = 720 , COP(4K) = 220 , COP(2K)/COP(4K) = 3.3**

## Overcapacity and total heat load budget

LHC recipe :

Overcapacity factor : 1.5 → speed cool-down, use machine < 100 % performance

Uncertainty factor : 1.25 → imperfect Nb, electron loading, MLI wrapping etc.

↳ **Overall margin : 1.875**

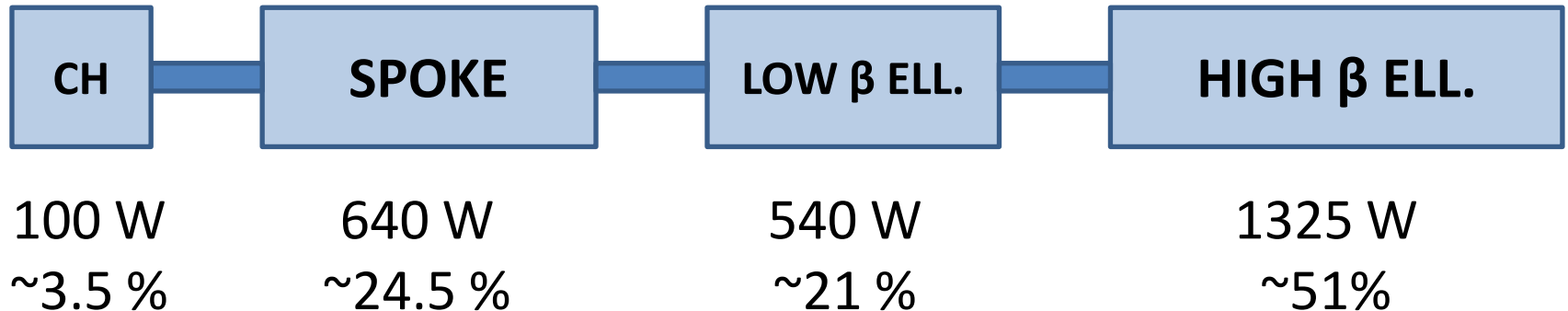
Power @ 4.5 K	Temperature (K)	Heat Load (kW)	COP (W/W)	Function
13.1 kW	2.1	4.75	720	Cavities
	5	1.1	220	Coupler cooling
	40	13.6	20	Shield

↳ **Overall power similar to :  
LHC (18 kW), JLAB (11 kW),  
XFEL (12 kW), 2 x SNS (2 x 6.4 kW)**



## Heat load breakdown

- Heat load distribution along linac :



- heat load is roughly 25 % | 20 % | 50 % across the three sections
- static losses  $\sim$   $\frac{1}{2}$  dynamics losses  $\rightarrow$  small cryomodule, low field
- **Dynamic range at 2K:** Load beam on/beam off = (dynamic + static)/static

Total Static (W)	Total Dynamic (W)
970	1670



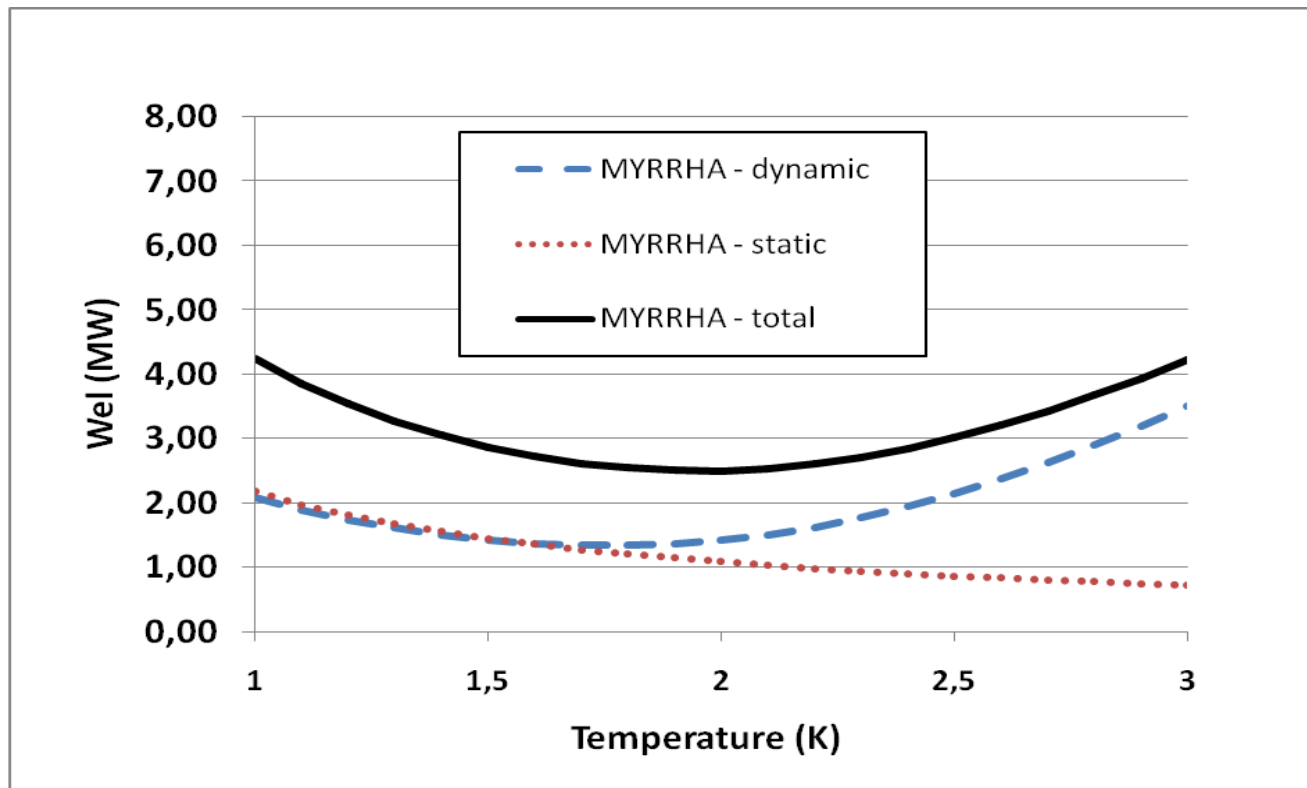
**Dynamic range = 2.7**

LHC : 3

Important parameter for choice of refrigeration scheme (full cold compression or mixed compression)

# Temperature optimization of the MYRRHA linac

COP decreases with  $T$ ,  $R_{BCS}$  increases with  $T$  → optimum of power consumption

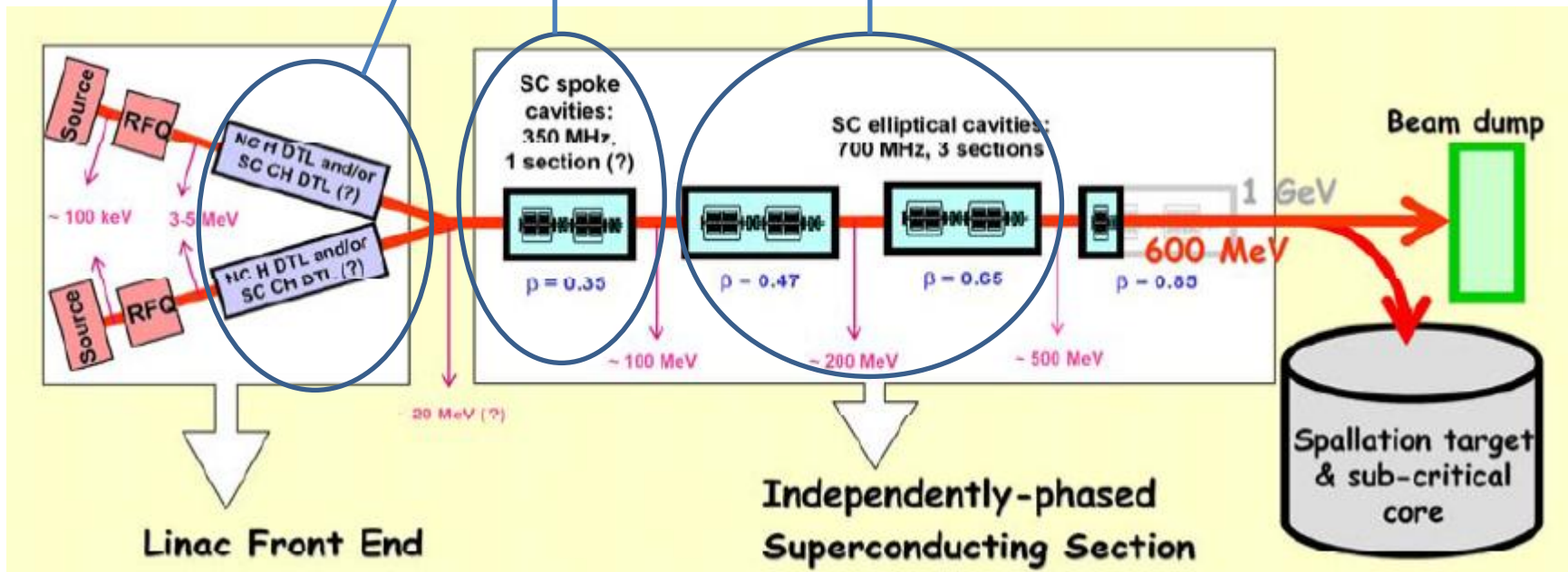


→ **Optimal temperature is 1.95 K, i.e ~2K**

# Possible 4K operation of Spoke cavities

2K or 4K  
refrigeration ?

2K refrigeration



## Possible 4K operation of Spoke cavities

For Spoke cavities,  
at  $R_{\text{res}} = 10 \text{ n}\Omega$  :

$$P_{\text{cav},4K} / P_{\text{cav},2K} \approx 5$$

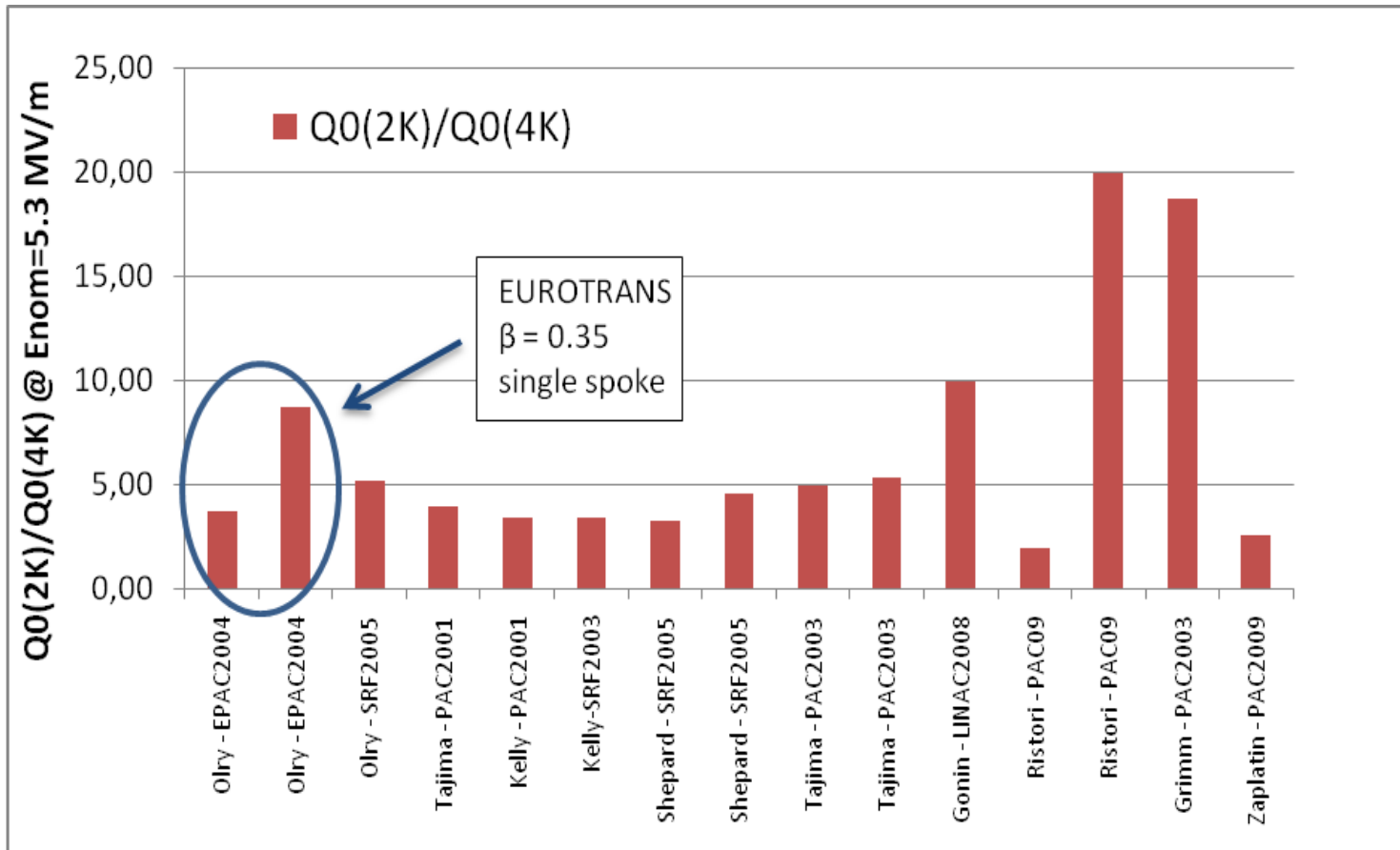
Coefficient of Performance  
of cryogenic plant:

$$COP_{2K} / COP_{4K} \approx 3-4$$

Considering only dynamic losses, operation at 2K is favorable, however :

- Is  $R_{\text{res}} = 10 \text{ n}\Omega$  a reasonable assumption ?
- Static losses of 5W/m will be applied at 4K, not 2K
- Other factors : bath stability, microphonics

# Experimental $Q_0$ at 4K and 2K of Spoke cavities



$\rightarrow \left\langle \frac{Q_0(2K)}{Q_0(4K)} \right\rangle = 5.6$  agrees with theoretical estimate

## Total power consumption Comparison of 4K-2K and full 2K solutions

	Total Electric (MW)	Electrical Cost (M€/year)
Mixed 4K-2K Scheme	2.092	1.83
Full 2 K Scheme	2.1	1.84

→ **Unsignificant difference between the 2 schemes**

## Other aspects of 2K vs 4K : nucleate boiling & microphonics

- In 4K Helium, nucleate boiling occurs at fluxes  $\sim 1 \text{ W/cm}^2$
- In MYRRHA, typical heat fluxes in cavities are  $10^{-3} \text{ W/cm}^2$

→ Nucleate film boiling is not an issue in MYRRHA

## Microphonics

- Pressure fluctuations in 4K bath  $\gg$  in 2K Bath → trigger microphonics

- For Spoke cavity :

$$\Delta f_L = 150 \text{ Hz}$$

- Fast ( $>1\text{Hz}$ ) pressure fluctuations in 4K: 0.1-0.5 mbar (Conway et al.)

- Sensitivity :  $\Delta f / \Delta p = 108 \text{ Hz} / \text{mbar}$

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50 Hz detuning, one third of bandwidth !

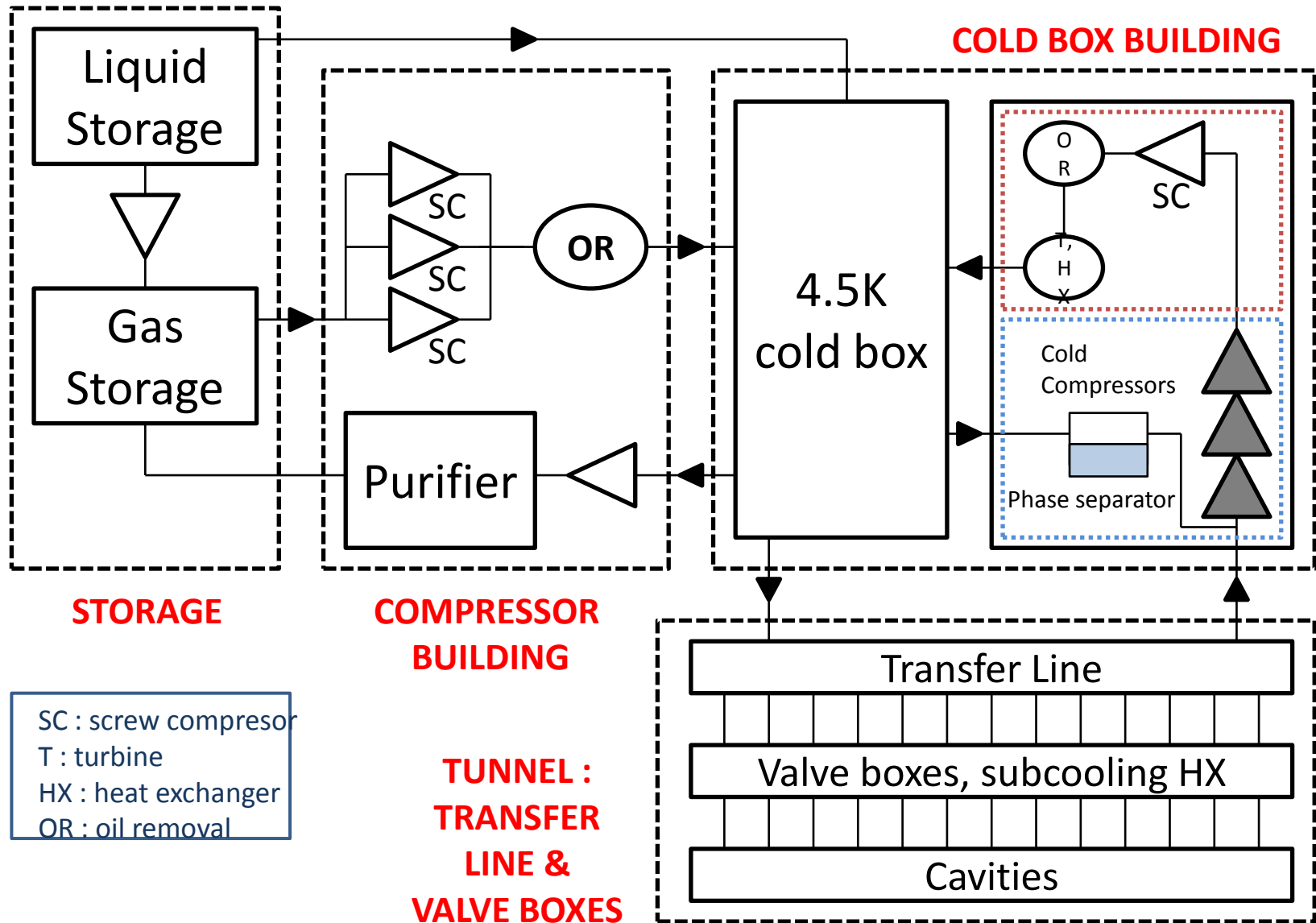
## Conclusions on possible 4K operation of Spoke cavities

4K operation	2K operation
Easier to implement (no JT, subcooling heat exchanger, etc.)	More stable against microphonics
More reliable	A 2K pumping line will anyway be installed for elliptical cavities
Overall consumption is the same as 2K	
Cavities are cooled to 4K before pumping to 2K	

- **4K-2K operation should be tested on prototype Spoke cryomodule**
- **In the design phase, pipes should be sized to allow 4K and 2K operation**

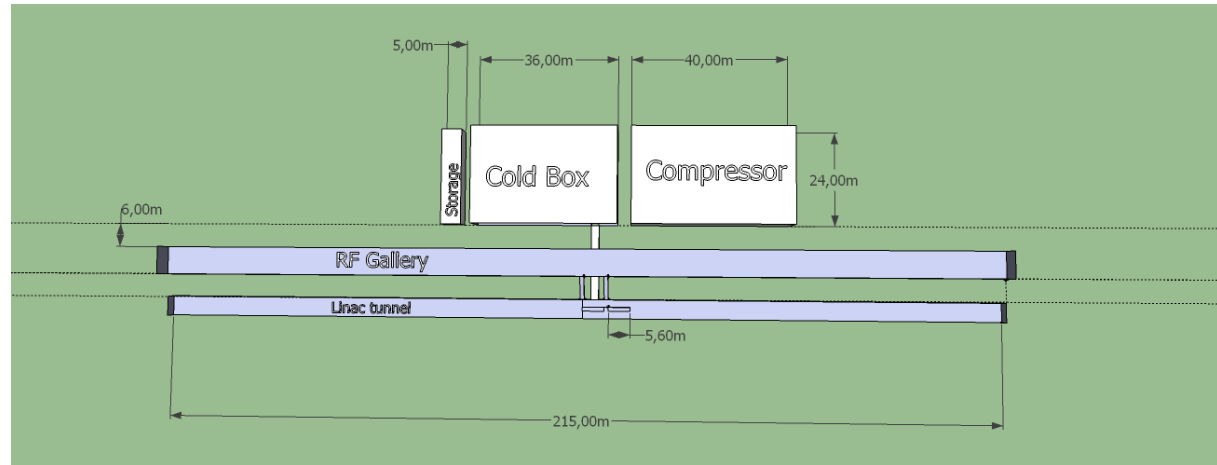


# General scheme of cryogenic system

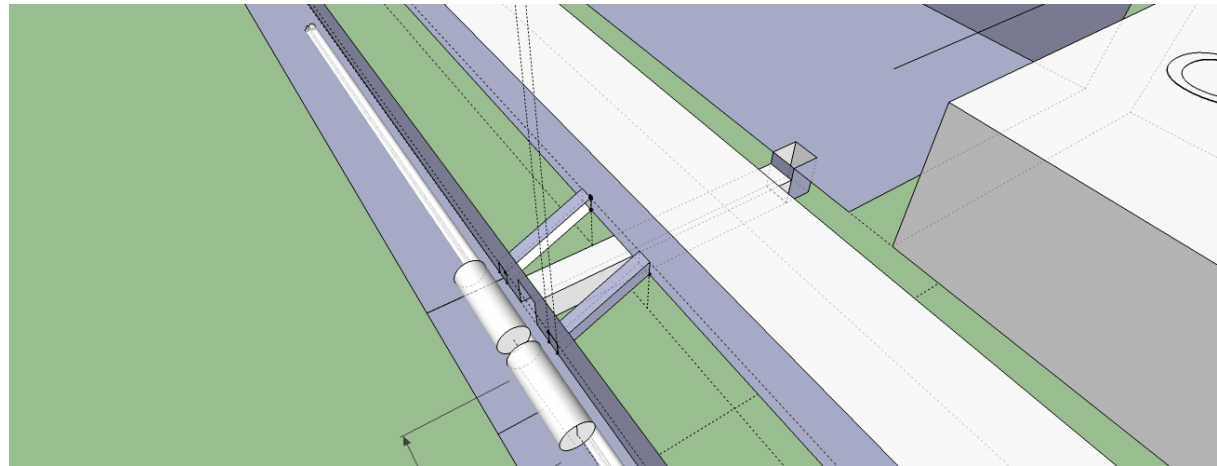


# Preliminary sketch of cryoplant layout

General



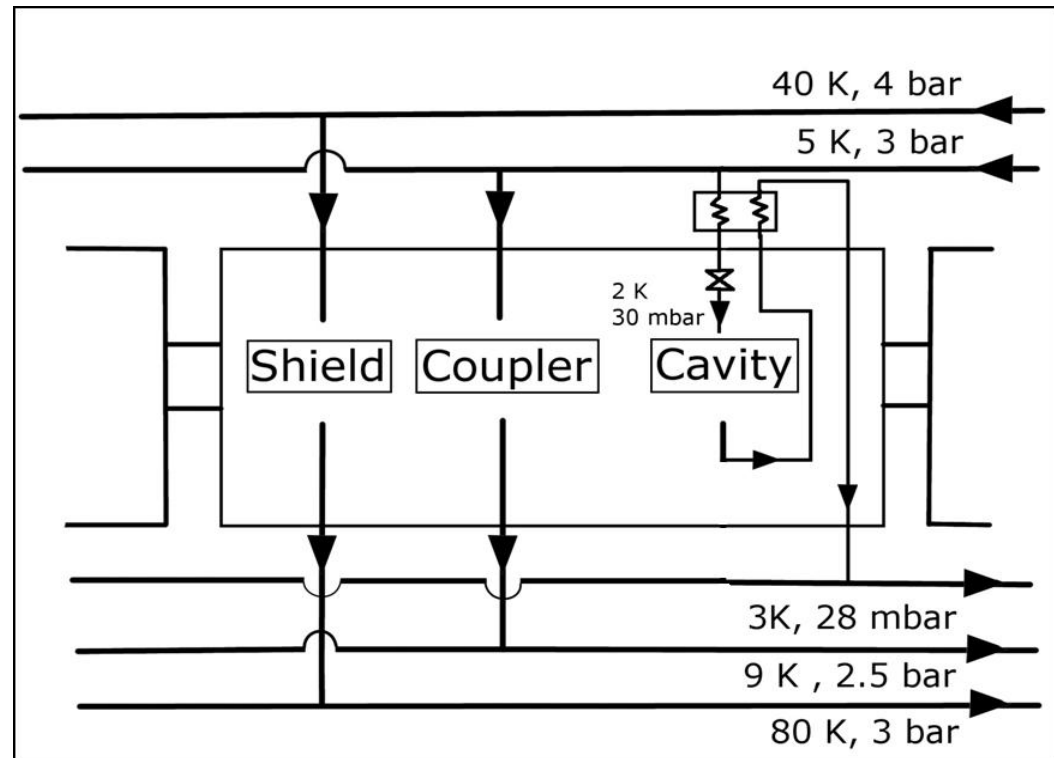
Detail of cryogenic connection tunnel



# Cryofluid distribution

Idea :

Make optimal use  
of supercritical  
helium supply line  
(SNS)



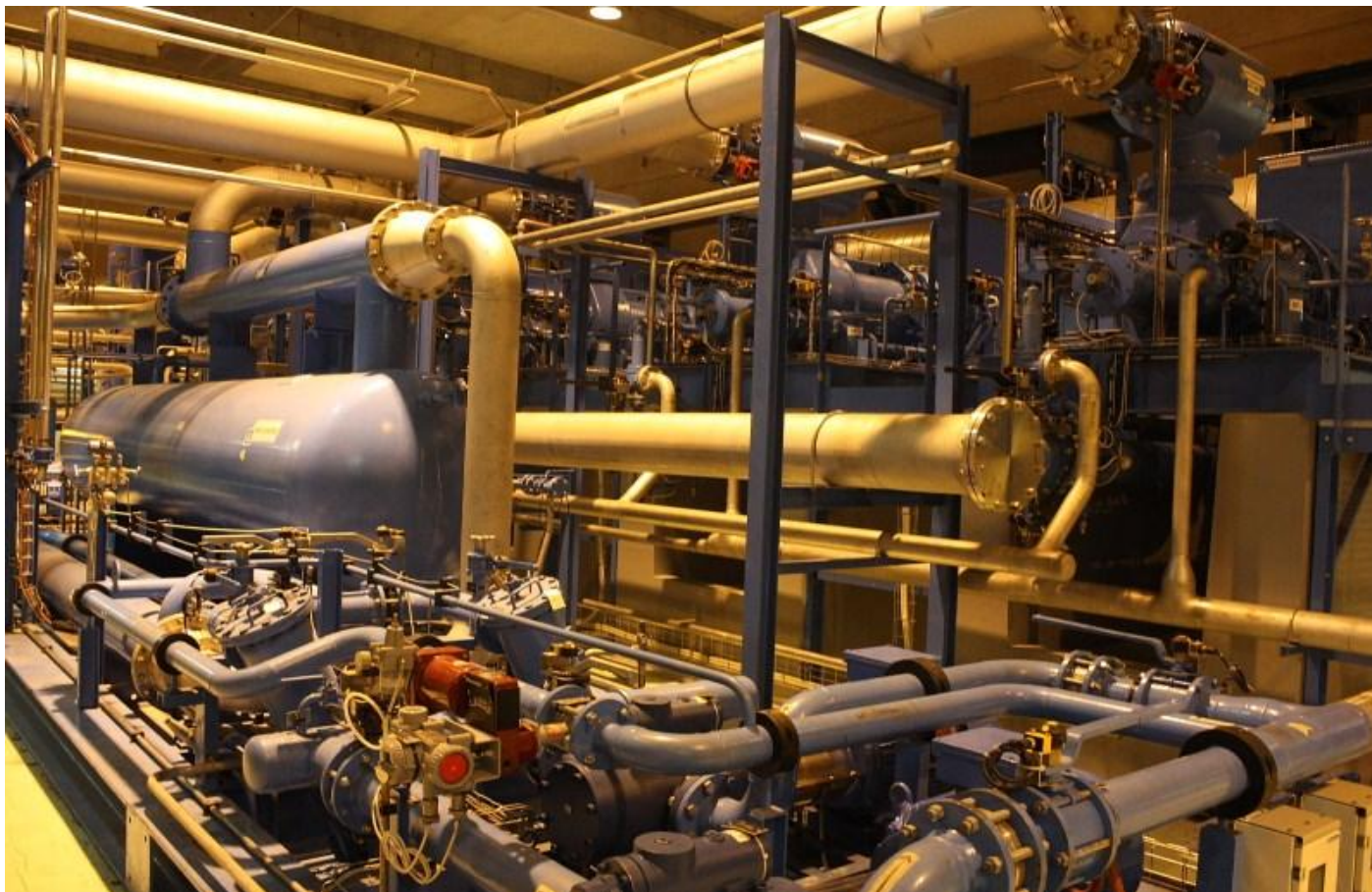
We are currently studying different schemes :

- Distributed heat exchanger : subcool and expand helium in each valve box (SNS, LHC)
- Centralized heat exchanger : subcool in central cold box, expand locally (JLAB)
- How many cryomodules per valve box ?

## General conclusion

- Coolant : superfluid helium at 2K – 30 mbar, possible 4K operation of Spoke cavities
- 13 kW @ 4.5 K, including 4.7 kW at 2K
- Estimated cost (without manpower) : 21-26 M€
- Reference cryogenic systems : LHC, XFEL, SNS
- Many open questions : distribution, transfer line design, etc.

One thing we know for sure is that it will look somewhat like this :



Thank you for your attention !