





The ESS Small Sample Reflectometer



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5) Initial Operation

6) Instrument staging and upgrade path





Science Case
 High level system requirements
 Functional overview
 Preliminary System Design

- Bemline overview
- In-bunker components
- Selene neutron guide
- Shielding concept
- Experimental cave
- 5) Initial Operation

6) Instrument staging and upgrade path







(Polarized) Neutron Reflectometry:

- Chemical and magnetic profile in thin films
- Nano-structures
- Penetrate into sample, not only surface
- Structure sizes 1nm-100nm (off-specular 100nm-10μm)



Rough surfaces & interfaces



Embedded nanoparticles Magnetic domains





Stripe arrays & Dots



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Science Case Focus for Estia

Broad range of science



Nanoparticles and -structures



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Exchange Bias



Emergent Phaenomena



Batteries



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Liquid Interfaces





Science Case Focus for Estia

High intensity is necessary to...

- measure size limited samples (<10x10mm²) due to
 - limitations for homogeneous film deposition

- existing samples made for other methods (e.g. 5x5mm² SQUID samples)
- investigations on functional devices/ sample environment restrictions
- perform time dependent studies
- explore large q-range













High Level System Requirements



Science Case => Design Goals:

- Allow specular reflectivity measurements from samples between 1x1 mm² and 10x10mm²
- Provide neutron polarization analysis with P>95%
- Beam size at sample controllable
- Minimize the background
- Fast sample changes within ~10 min
- Options for off-specular scattering and GISANS
- Higher resolution option for thick samples



Functional Overview







Preliminary Design I: In-Bunker, Guides, Shielding, Structure



ESTIA Instrument Overview



• East sector (E2); cold moderator



ESTIA Instrument Overview

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- East sector (E2); cold moderator
- Single BW Chopper
- Elliptic feeder to Virtual Source
- Selene Guide + Polarizer
- Experimental Cave
- Control Hutch





- •Neutron Feeder
- Chopper
- Virtual Source
- Heavy Collimation





Neutron Feeder



• Part 1: inside insert

• Part 2: moved in when light shutter open





Chopper and Virtual Source



Chopper Pit

- Standard 14 Hz Chopper
- Shared vacuum





Chopper and Virtual Source



Chopper Pit

- Standard 14 Hz Chopper
- Shared vacuum
- Houses shielding and VS



Virtual

Source

(VS)



Selene Guide







Selene Guide – Alignment System





- Multi-fiber absolute distance interferometers
- One beam for each adjustable degree of freedom
- Simultaneous measurement with <1µm precision
- Reference to flat granite surface or reference laser





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Selene Guide – Alignment System



- Side mirror measurement
 - Interferometers at the positon of bearings
- Bottom mirror measurement
 - Reflection at the sidemirrors
 - Larger tolerance for the Bearings



Selene Guide – R&D Project



- Analysis of vacuum to the guide system
- Testing the metrology-cart segment measuring
- Testing the metrology cart positioning concept
- Comparing different actuator concepts
- Carrier Bearings
 - Structural integrity
 - Heat input analysis









- In-Bunker Shielding
- Heavy Collimation
- Beamline Shielding
- Experimental Cave Shielding





Neutron Guide Shielding (Heavy Collimation)



Virtual Source collimator

FeNi W Cu + x







Cave Shielding and Control Hutch



- Cave acts as biological and background suppression (skyshine, etc.) shielding
 - Current design uses steel can with B-wax
 - Rack access from within hutch
 - Enough space for two experimental teams

Preliminary Design II: Sample Environment, Detector and Polarization

Analyzers

Detectors

Optics Table

Sample

Environment

Experimental Cave



Overview Experimental Cave







Sample and Detector Positioning

- All components on air pads for felxibility
- Alternative separate rotation arc for huge SE
- Fixed heavy weight omega stage
- Fixed magnet table
- Separate mechanical hexapod for sample





Newport Hexapod

Large user supplied sample environment



Hard Matter Specific SE

- "Pool" Electromagnet
- Small in-vacuum sample chamber
- Coldfinger with removable sample plate
- Low cost LHe flow system
- Light weight (~3 kg)
- ~15 min cool down from RT
- <3 K

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Translation below kinematic mounting plate

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Fast change and BG management

- Vacuum until Saphire window close to sample
- Exchangable holder, off-instrument mounting/alignment
- Absorber before, after and above sample
- Laser alignment system, RT sample chain-ger





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- Soft Matter Specific SE
- Essential items to investigate liquid-solid interfaces
- Sample cell changer with suitable number of LS-cells
- Water bath to control temperatures (-20°C +80°C)
- 4-channel HPLC pump
- Syringe pump









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Polarization Components

- Two mirrors to compensate refraction effects
- Expected P>99%, T_{down} ~ 60% (12Å) 88% (4Å)







- Two subsequent supermirrors
- Capture transmitted and reflected beam
- Split spin-up and spin-down on detector
- Half-polarized measurements with unpolarized beam
 - Only 20% intensity loss for magnetic experiments
 - Simultaneous spin-up/spin-down from single pulse







Multi-blade detector





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- ¹⁰B₄C absorption layer
- Crossed anode wires and cathode strips
- Blades under 5° angle
- Detection gas under ambient pressure
- Ar/CO₂ constantly flushed at 1 atm.
- Can use ultra-thin entrance window
- 0.5x2 mm² resolution
- Large count rate >100kHz/mm²
- Efficiency >55%@4Å







Estia Costing (Cost Book Value)



		Cost [k€]			Work Units [person-years]					
	PBS Item	Labor	Non-Labor	Total	02 P. Management	03 Design	04 Construction	05 Installation	06 Commissioning	Total Work
1	Beam Transport and Conditioning System	1 668.5	4 752.0	6 420.5	0.970	4.580	3.080	3.390	2.010	14.030
2	Sample Exposure System	218.6	372.4	591.0	0.110	0.640	0.390	0.290	0.340	1.780
3	Scattering Characteriza- tion System	183.4	521.0	704.4	0.200	0.460	0.400	0.360	0.220	1.650
5	Experimental Cave	287.4	665.0	952.4	0.190	0.800	0.180	1.200	0.090	2.450
6	Control Hutch	36.5	71.0	107.5	0.070	0.040	0.070	0.180	0.010	0.370
7	Sampe Preparation Area	15.1	11.2	26.3	0.020	0.030	0.000	0.110	0.000	0.160
8	Utilities Distribution	5.6	28.0	33.6	0.020	0.030	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.050
9	Support Infrastructure	65.5	180.0	245.5	0.030	0.190	0.000	0.290	0.130	0.640
10	Control Racks	421.6	146.3	567.9	0.220	1.160	0.090	1.940	0.610	4.020
	Travel	81.0	0.0	81.0						
	R&D Selene Guide	150.5	209.5	360.0						
	Phase 1	480.0	50.0	530.0						3.250
	Contingency			1 180.0					1	
	Sum	3 613.7	7 006.4	11 800.0) .830	7.958	4.205	7.754	3.412	28.408

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Work Package Staging and Labor





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Expected Performance (2 MW)



SM m-value limited transmission performance:

- Imaging of Selene
 => good transport of usable neutrons
- Most unused neutrons rejected at virtual source within the bunker





Full control over beam foot-print and divergence:

- Large fraction of neutrons in the cave are actually used (improved signal/noise)
- Resolution can be optimized between σ =7% and <2%, independent of sample size
- Select specific sample area down to ~3x1 mm²

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Expected Performance (2 MW)



Fast measurements on standard samples (10x10mm²)

Typical Q-range experiment in a single pulse =>

- Unprecedented time resolution (0.2 s)
- Map parameter space with dense coverage (e.g. 4-300 K in steps of 0.1 K performed in <1h)
- No need to move any motor during experiment





Large Q coverage on tiny samples (1x1 mm²)

Experimental times comparable with current instrument on large samples (2-12 h)

=>

- Investigate selected sample surface regions
- Attract users from different community as no new samples have to be grown

(e.g. microscopy samples of <5x5 mm² size)

- Inhomogeneous systems
- Devices in operation w/ e.g. electric contacts





- Allows fast experiments =>
 - Sample and user group exchanges need to be streamlined
 - Need optimized sample environment and enough sample holders to limit beamtime loss during changes
- At beginning of user operation need for full high intensity mode data reduction and sample alignment software
- Full software support for polarization analysis must be provided form day 1
- Need support for users to analyze data (fitting)

=> Instrument team of 3-4 scientists plus engineer



Instrument Specific Magnet

- ~8 cm room temperature bore cryomagnet
- No material in beam
- Large scattering angle up to 145°
- Compact and light weight
- Moderate field (>2 T)



Similar system use at MLZ (2.5 T)

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Proposed model





Second Beam Path



- Double beam intensity
- Simultaneous spin-up and spin-down beams incident on sample
- Enable 4-spin state at once with splitting analyzer (++/--/+-/-+)









- Current through folded flat plates creates periodic field
- Flip only resonant wavelength
- Resolution defined by selecting L
- Scanning current with ToF allows to keep resonance in center of pulse





- Can be used to improve Δλ of full divergent beam
- Second device after sample would allow inelastic experiments



Space-Time Collimator



- 4 absorbers scanned trough beam after Selene 2
- 14 Hz operation
- Allows λ - θ encoding => expanded q-range collimated beam
- Can improve $\Delta\lambda$
- Allow constant $\Delta q/q$ measurement







Refocusing for GISANS



- Precise horizontal supermirror between Selene 2 and sample
- Refocus onto detector position
- GISANS resolution given by VS height
- Almost no intensity loss for large enough samples (~40mm)
- BG reduction for specular measurements from strong incoherent scattering samples



Detector



Ultra-Focus Option



- Additional supermirror at middle focus
- Reflect end part of Selene 1 onto end part of Selene 2
- Decreases beam size/intensity ~ factor 3² 6²



- Improved focus up to $10 \mu m \; x \; 100 \mu m$
- Allows selective reflectivity and magnification imaging (after adding an imaging detector to the instrument)
- Precise pinhole at focus could be used for unprecedented neutron microscopy



Additional Sample Environment

• Kerr-effect add-on for adjustment laser



- Additional cryostats for fast sample changes (cooling new sample while measuring old)
- Pump laser for dynamic experiments
- Helmholtz coils for XYZ-polarization analysis
- Pressure cell for low T as advised by STAP









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... any questions?

Thank you for your attention!











- Zero backlash segment mount
- No tools required for mounting



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- Zero backlash segment mount
- No tools required for mounting
- Self centering position
- Max. distance to turning-axis enlarge required increment (~0.5µm)
- Protection against dropping with top and bottom segment







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Top-Segment Alignment





Top-Segment Alignment

- Segment mounting from one side without tools
- Defined distance between top- and side segment
- Secured against dropping
- Simple exchange of individual segments
- Defined distance between top- and sidesegment





Selene Guide – Alignment System



- Measurement cart with a translation parallel to the C-axis
- Position measurement with an absolute-interferometer
 - Collimator is tilted
 - Corner cube reflects the beam





Neutron Guide Shielding (Heavy Collimation)



Selene 2

- Thermal neutron collimation (BAI) (depending on upcoming shieldingcalculations)
- Access when the beam is on



Beamline Shielding (Biological Shielding)

- Bunker Feed-Through
- Selene 1 Shielding
 - Beamline Shielding
 - Instrument Shutter



- Selene 2 Shielding
 - removable when the beam is on target

