



ILC Cryogenic Systems Reference Design

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Reference Design

- A Global Design Effort (GDE) began in 2005 to study a TeV scale electron-positron linear accelerator based on superconducting radio-frequency (RF) technology, called the International Linear Collider (ILC).
- In early 2007, the design effort culminated in a “reference design” for the ILC, closely based on the earlier TESLA design.
- This presentation and associated paper present some of the main features of the reference design for the cryogenic system



ILC cryogenic system definition

- The cryogenic system is taken to include cryogen distribution as well as production
 - **Cryogenic plants and compressors**
 - Including evaporative cooling towers
 - **Distribution and interface boxes**
 - Including non-magnetic, non-RF cold tunnel components
 - **Transfer lines**
 - **Cryo instrumentation and cryo plant controls**
- Cryogenic system design is closely integrated with cryogenic SRF module and magnet design
- R&D systems and production test systems will also include significant cryogenics



ILC RF cryomodule count

Cryomodules	8-cavity 1 quad	9-cavity no quad	8-cavity 2-quad	6-cavity 6-quad*	1300 MHZ	1-cavity 650 MHZ	2-cavity 3900 MHZ
Main Linac e-	282	564			846		
Main Linac e+	278	556			834		
RTML e-	18	30			48		
RTML e+	18	30			48		
e- source	17	8			25		
e+ booster	12		6	4	22		
e+ Keep Alive	2				2		
e- damping ring						18	
e+ damping ring						18	
beam delivery system							2
TOTAL	627	1188	6	4	1825	36	2

* I would make these 3 cavities and 3 quads per module and double the number of modules

- Above are installed numbers, not counting uninstalled spares



ILC superconducting magnets

- About 640 1.3 GHz modules have SC magnets
- Other SC magnets are outside of RF modules
 - **290 meters of SC helical undulators, in 2 - 4 meter length units, in the electron side of the main linac as part of the positron source**
 - **In damping rings -- 8 strings of wigglers (4 strings per ring), 10 wigglers per string x 2.5 m per wiggler**
 - **Special SC magnets in sources, RTML, and beam delivery system**



Major cryogenic distribution components

- 6 large (2 K system) tunnel service or “distribution” boxes
 - **Connect refrigerators to tunnel components and allow for sharing load between paired refrigerators**
- 20 large (2 K) tunnel cryogenic unit “feed” boxes
 - **Terminate and/or cross-connect the 10 cryogenic units**
- ~132 large (2 K) string “connecting” or string “end” boxes of several types
 - **Contain valves, heaters, liquid collection vessels, instrumentation, vacuum breaks**
 - **Note that these have many features of modules!**
- ~3 km of large transfer lines (including 2 Kelvin lines)
- ~100 “U-tubes” (removable transfer lines)
- Damping rings are two 4.5 K systems
 - **Various distribution boxes and ~7 km of small transfer lines**
- BDS and sources include transfer lines to isolated components
- Various special end boxes for isolated SC devices

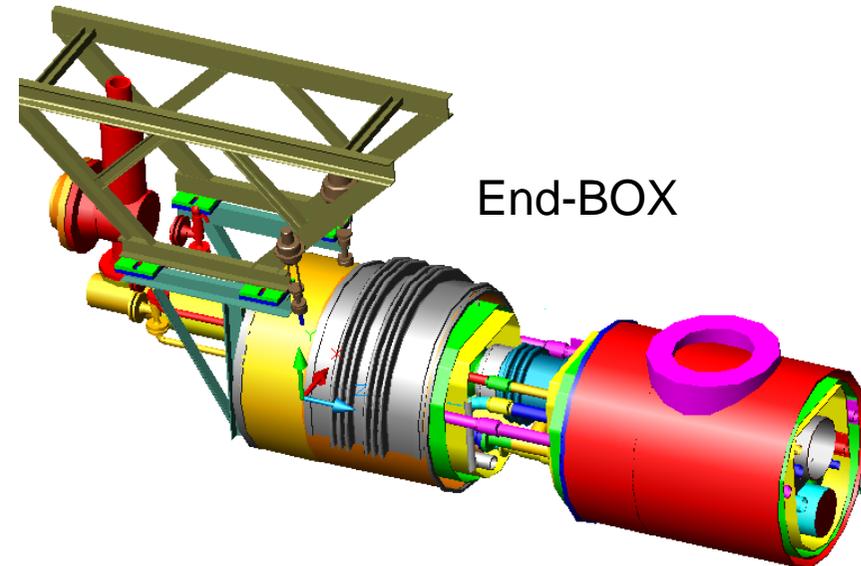
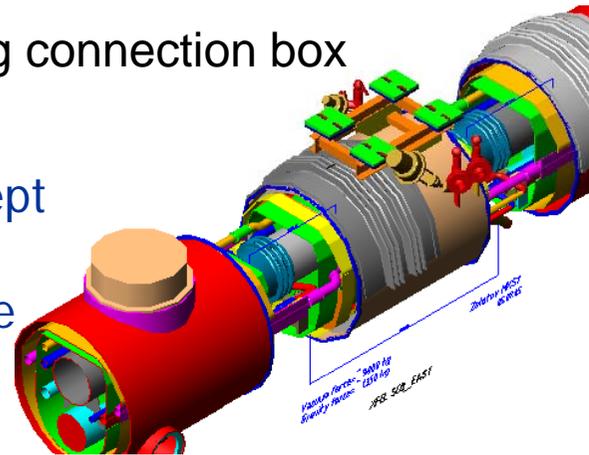


XFEL linac cryogenic components

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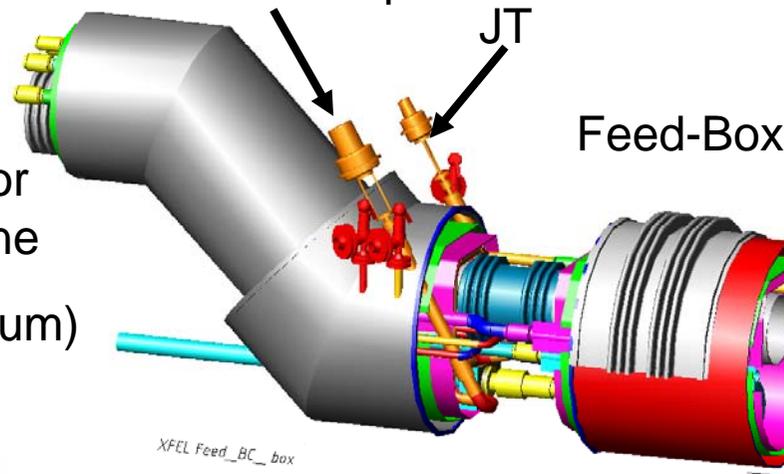
,regular' string connection box

The ILC string end box concept is like this -- a short, separate cryostat



Cool-down/warm-up

Bunch Compressor
Bypass Transferline
(only 1-phase helium)



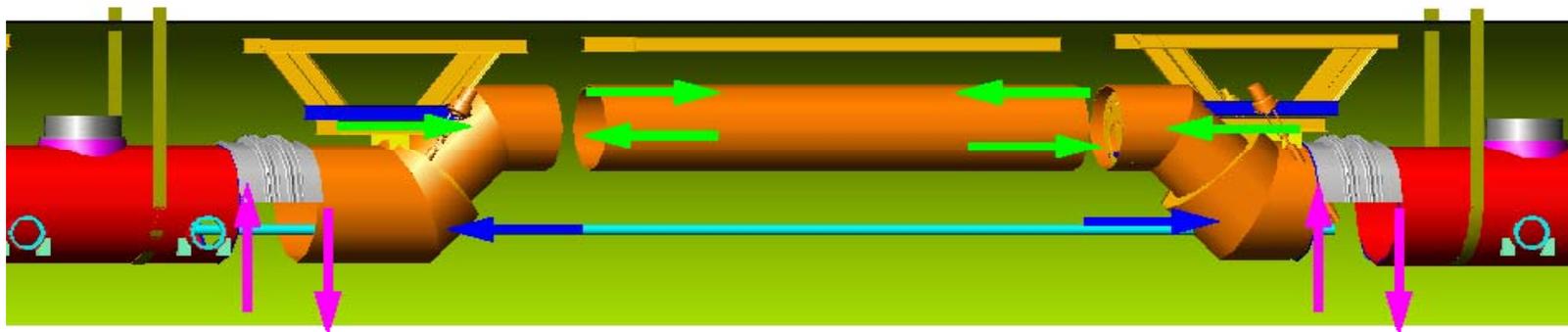
The ILC cryogenic unit service boxes may be offset from the beamline, reducing drift space length, with a concept like this.



XFEL Bunch-Compressor-Transferlines

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- The cryogenic unit service boxes may be offset from the beamline as shown, but they would be larger. Drift space is reduced to about 2 meters on each end plus warm drift space.

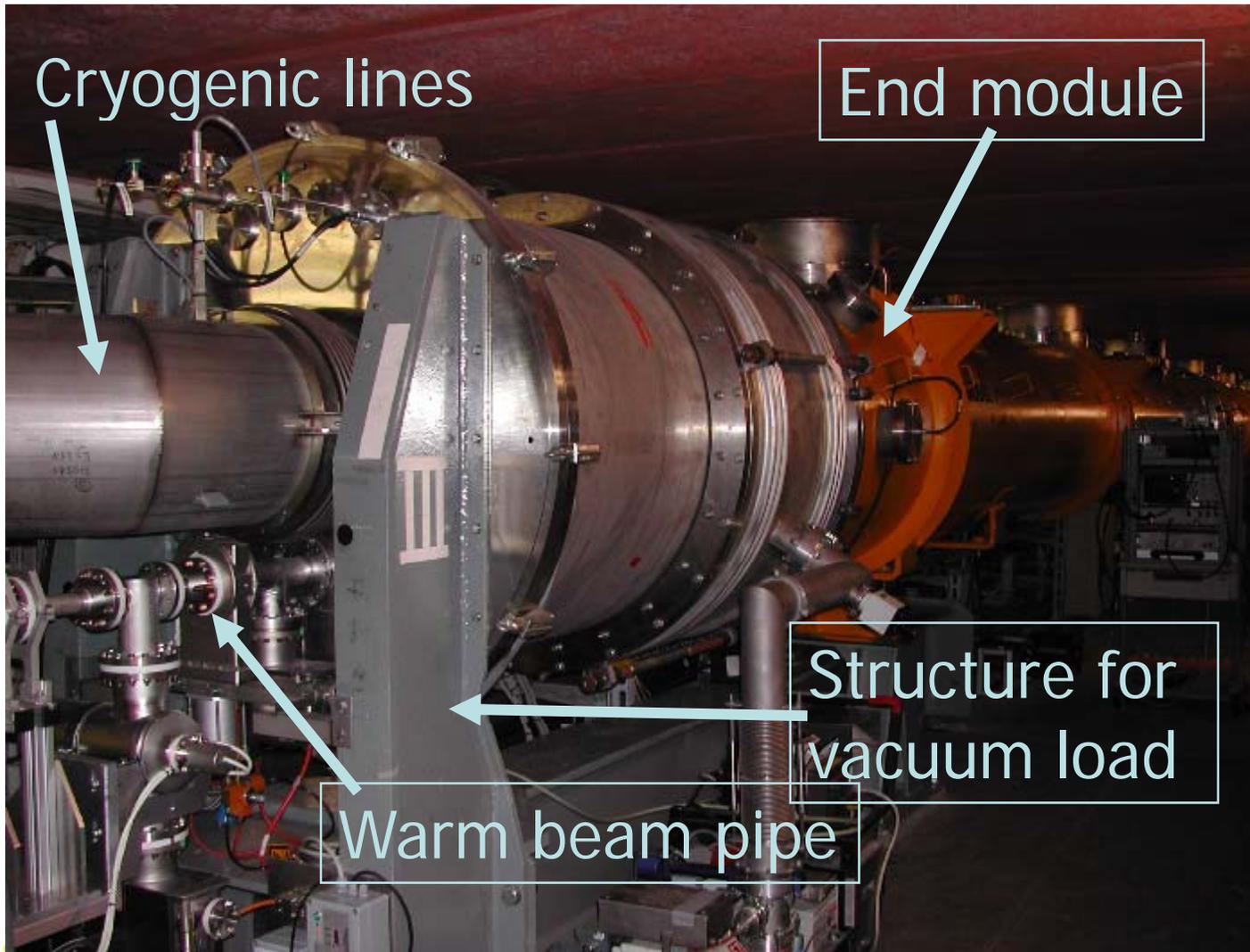


- Verstellkraft= ~0-3tn (bei jeder Richtung)*
- Vakuum Kraft= ~9tn*
- Vakuum Kraft= ~5tn*
- Vakuum Kraft= ~12tn*

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TTF cold-warm transition ~ 2 m

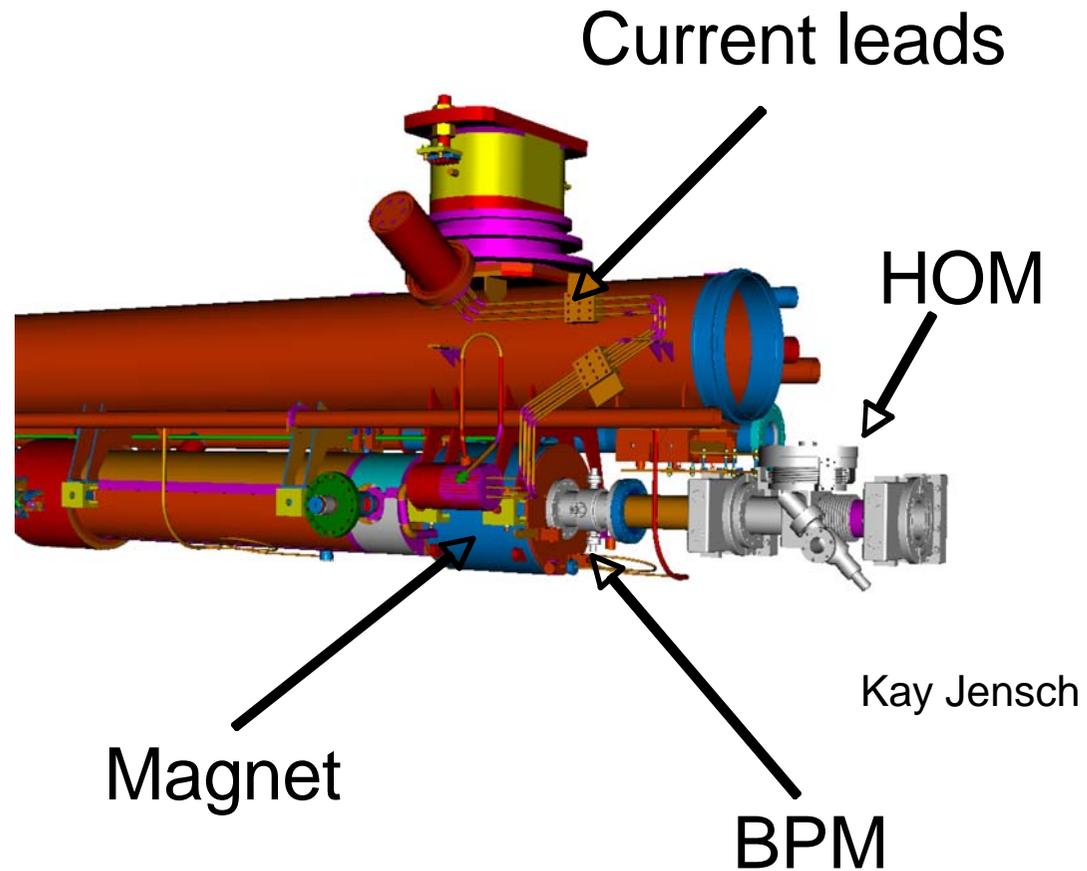




Magnet current leads

- Conductively cooled (no vapor flow)
- Insulated bronze inside a stainless sleeve
- Based on the LHC corrector leads (LHC Project Report 691)

Type III+



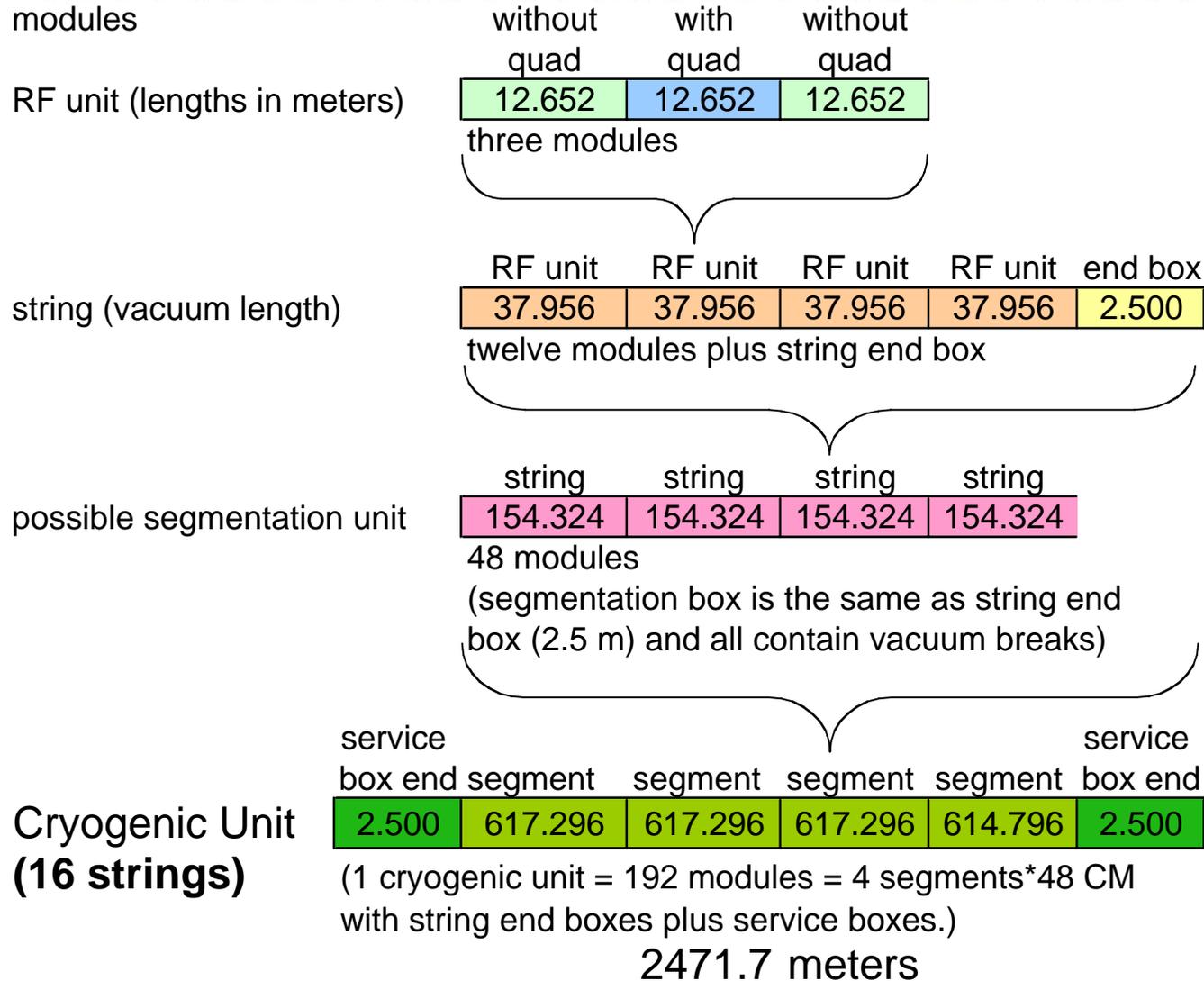


Main Linac

- The main linac cryoplants and associated equipment make up about 60% of total ILC cryogenic system costs
- Main linac distribution is another 20% of total ILC cryogenic system costs
 - **About half of that is 132 string connecting boxes**
- Total is about 80% of ILC cryogenic system costs attributable to the main linac
- The following slides describe some of the main linac cryosystem concepts
 - **Will focus on main linac, then follow with about 1 slide each for the other areas**

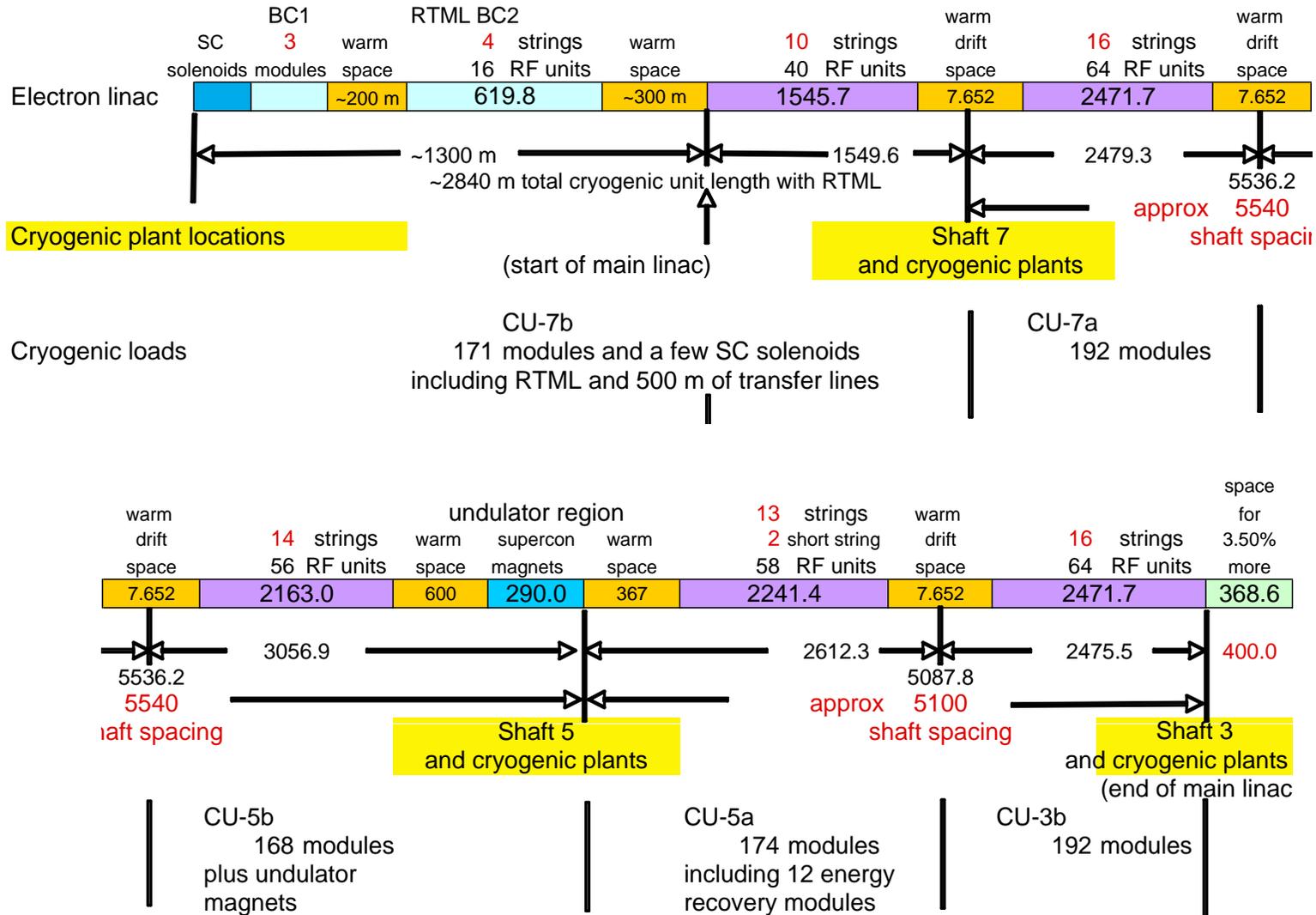


Main Linac Layout





Main Linac Layout - 2



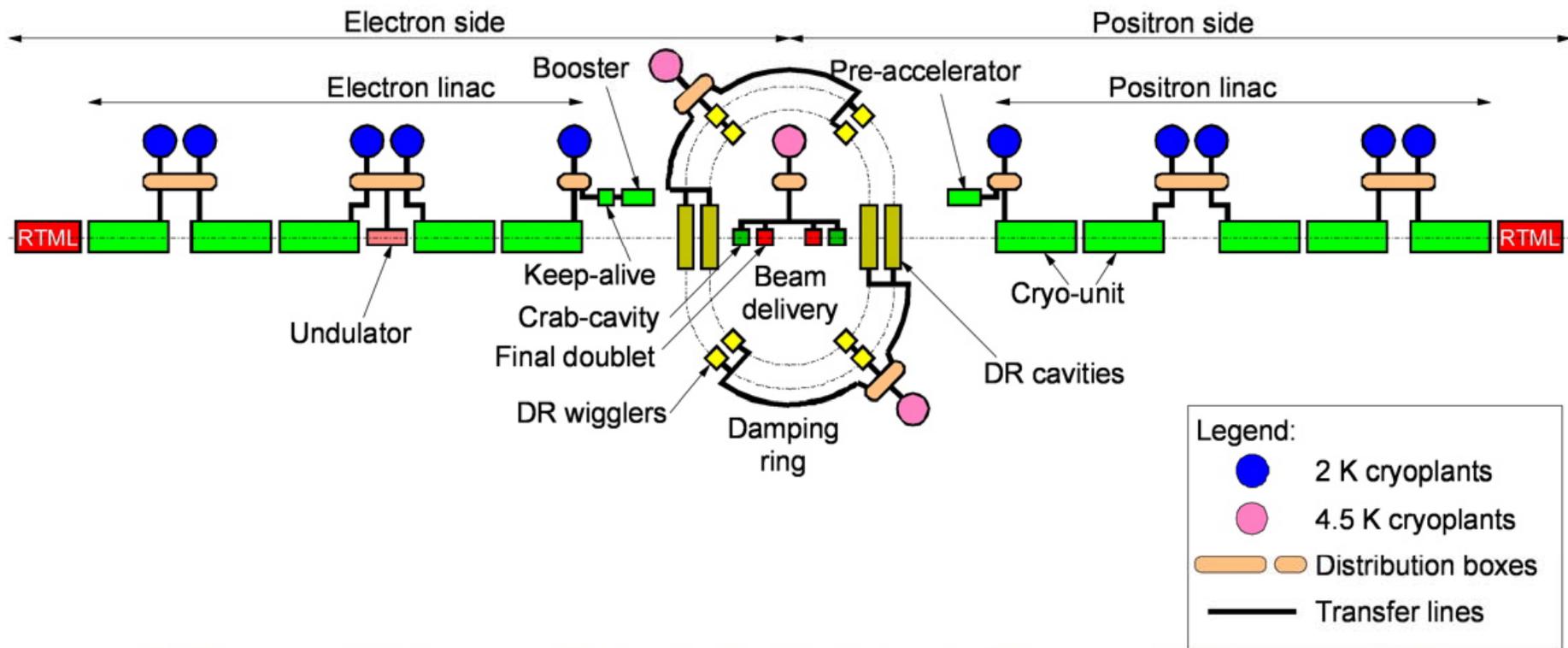


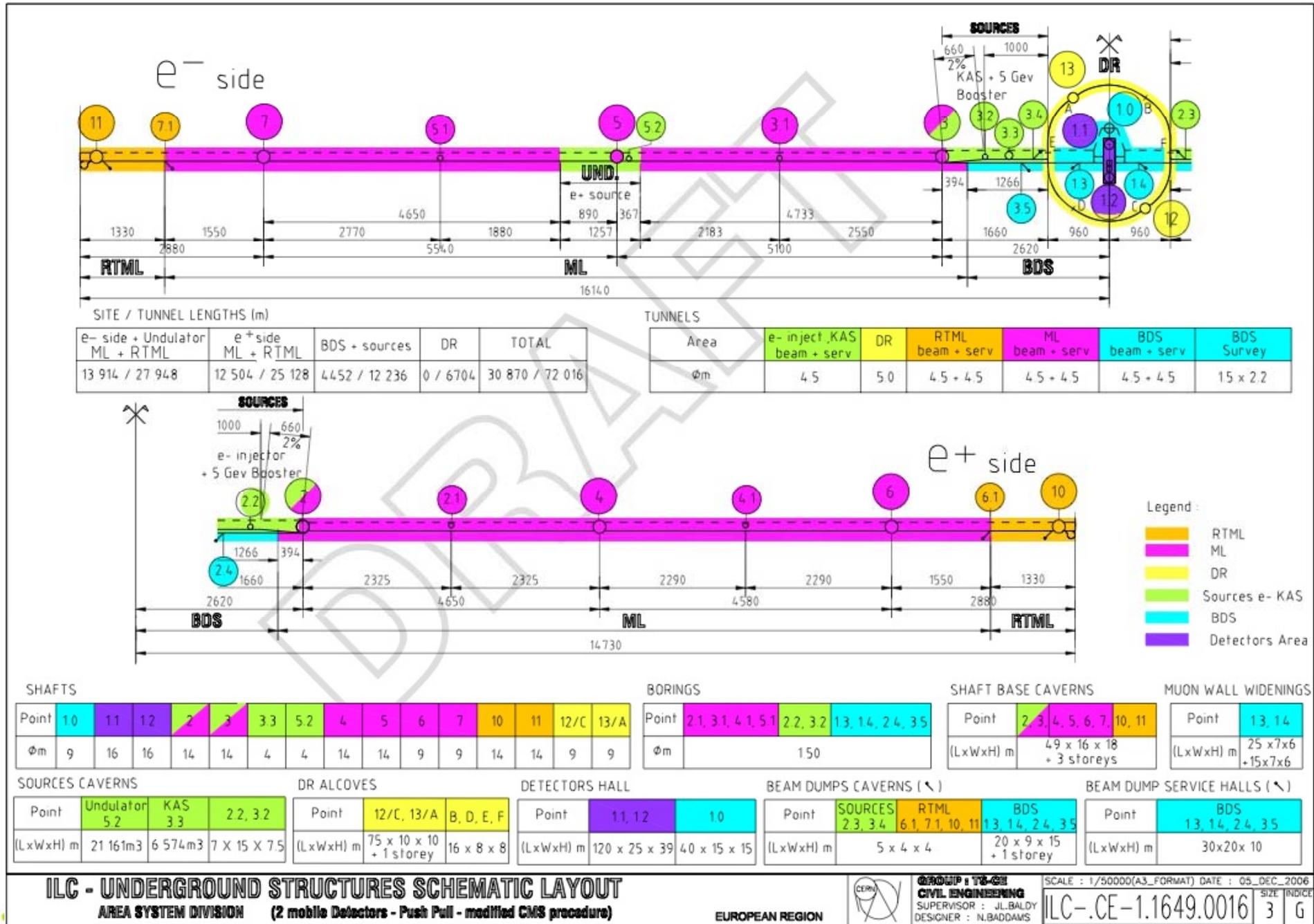
Cryogenic unit length limitations

- **25 KW total equivalent 4.5 K capacity**
 - Heat exchanger sizes
 - Over-the-road sizes
 - Experience
- **Cryomodule piping pressure drops with 2+ km distances**
- **Cold compressor capacities**
- **With 192 modules, we reach our plant size limits, cold compressor limits, and pressure drop limits**
- **192 modules results in 2.47 km long cryogenic unit**
- **5 units (not all same length) per 250 GeV linac**
 - Divides linac nicely for undulators at 150 GeV



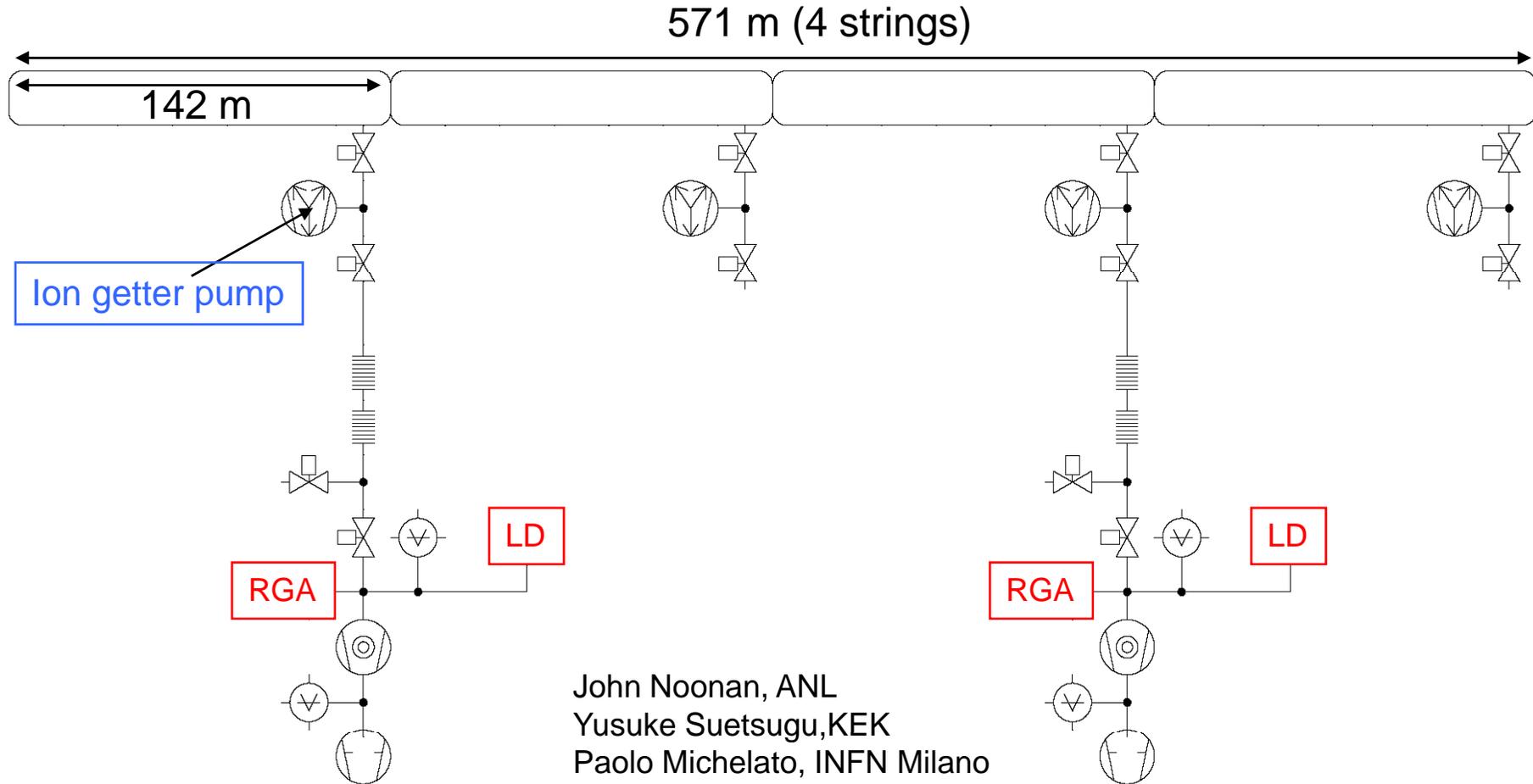
Cryogenic plant arrangement







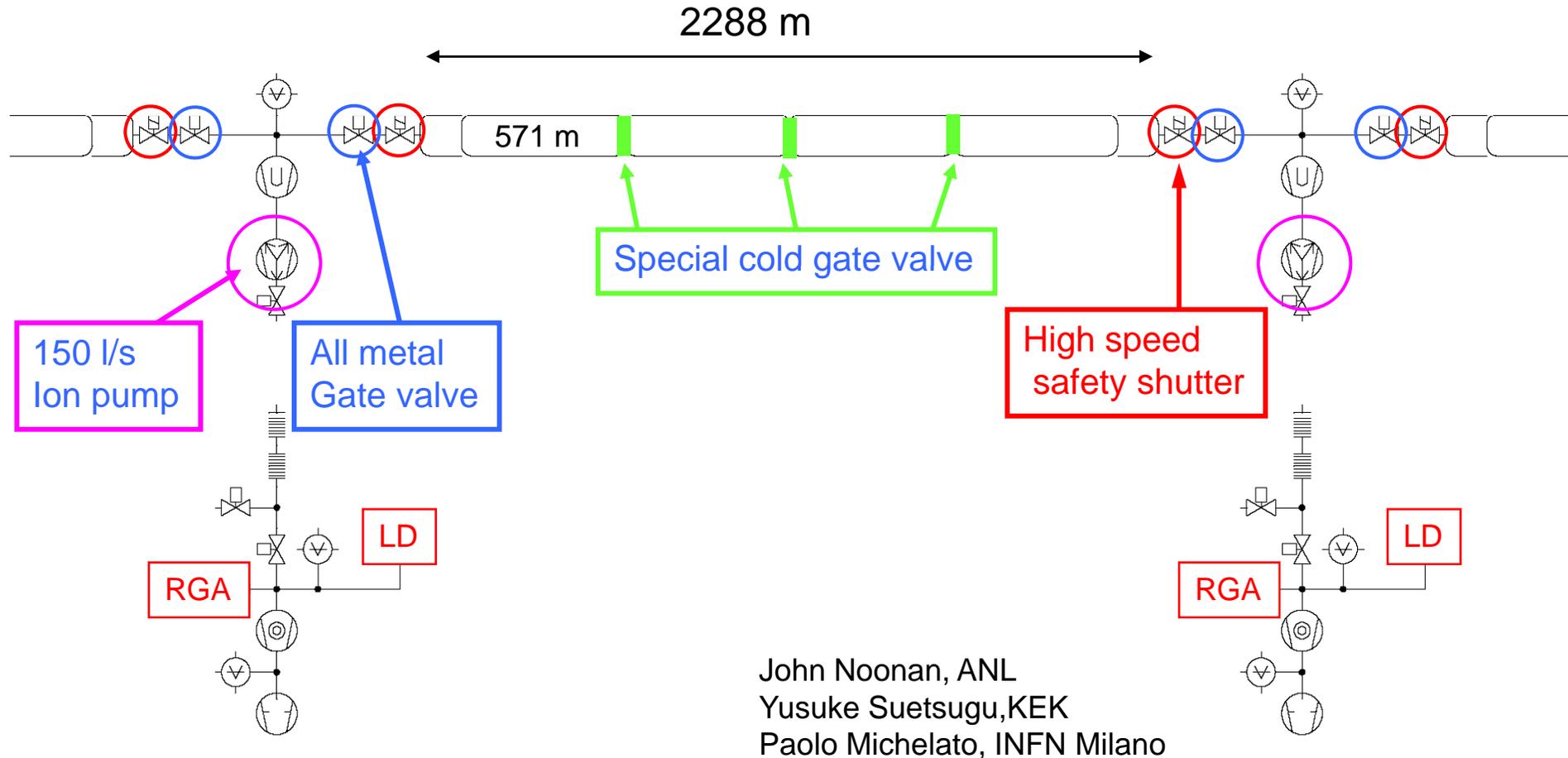
Beam line vacuum system 1/2



2 TMP pumping units with high sensitivity LD and RGA, safety, clean venting system, slow start pumping etc.



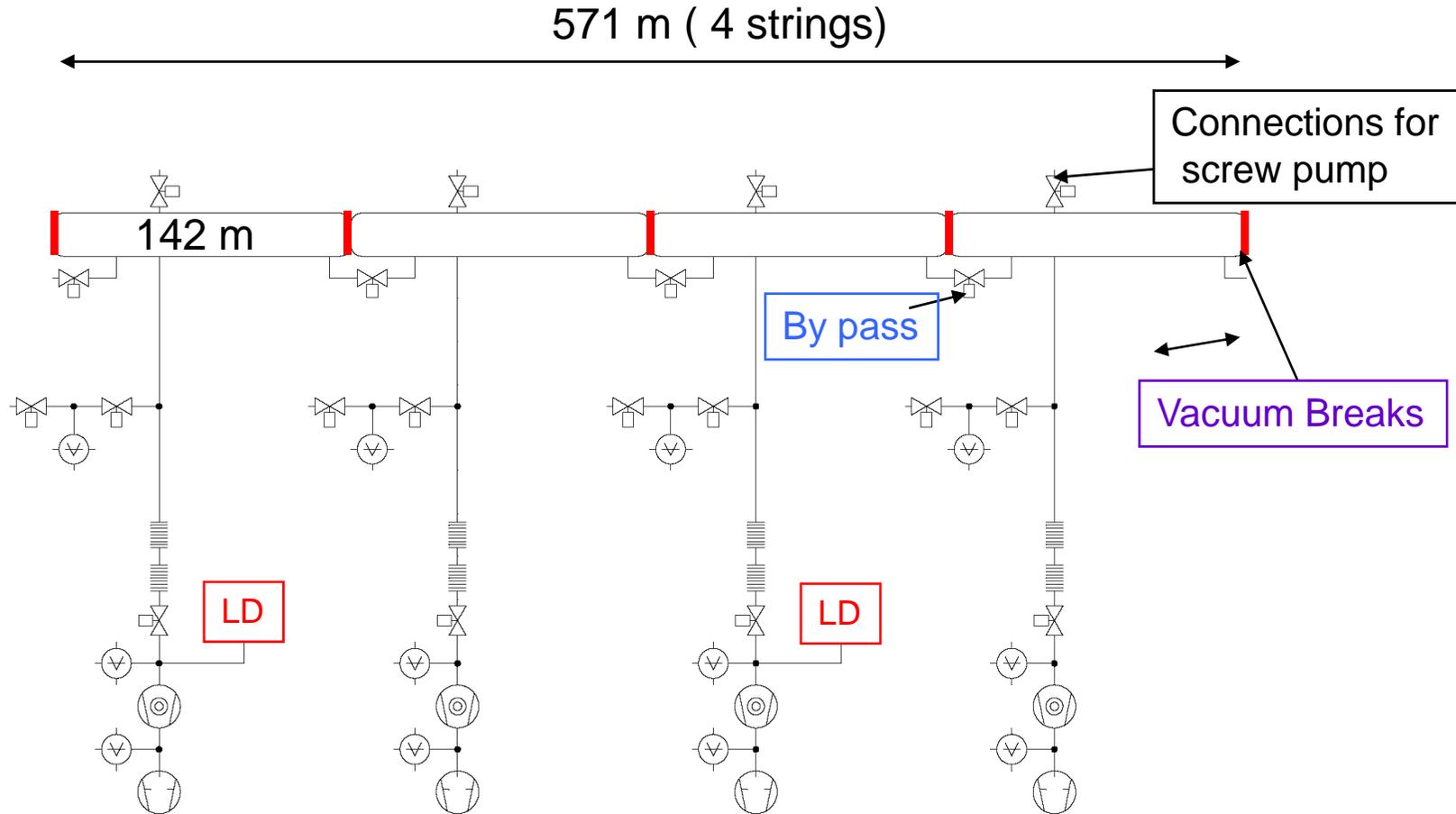
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Insulating vacuum system



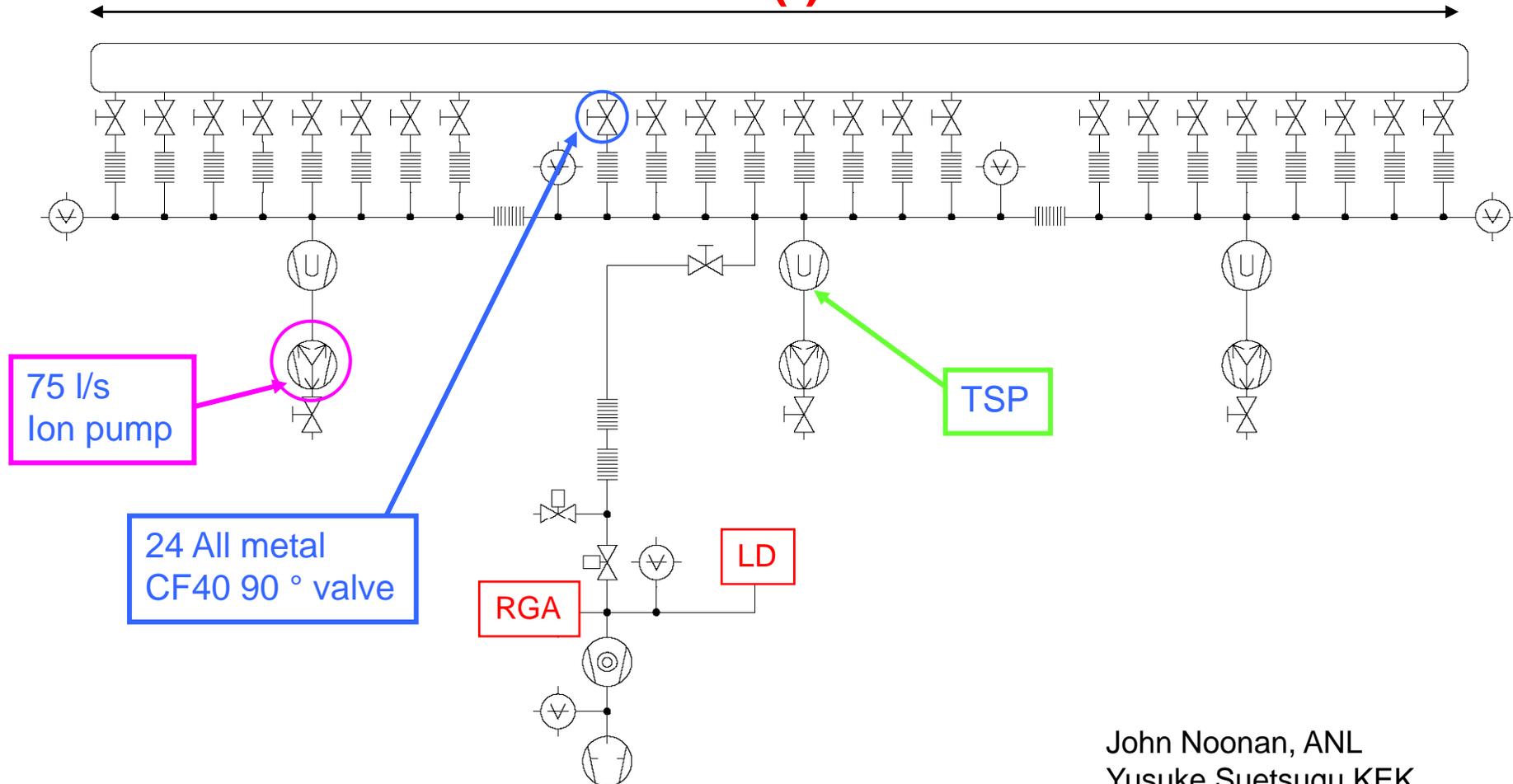
4 TMP pumping units: 2 with **LD** (leak detector) +
2 large screw pump for fore pumping

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Coupler vacuum system

35 m (!)



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Heat loads scaled from TESLA TDR

Cryomodule	TESLA	ILC 9-8-9
E, [MV/m]	23.4	31.5
Q	1.E+10	1.E+10
Rep rate, [Hz]	5	5
Number of Cavities	12	8.667
Fill time [μsec]	420	597
Beam pulse [μsec]	950	969
Number of bunches	2820	2670
Particles per bunch [1e10]	2	2.04
Gfac		2.09
Pfac		1.54
Bfac		0.99
Cfac		0.95

ILC 8-8-8 and 9-8-9 refers to the number of cavities in
G

avg number of cavities per module

Tf

Tb

Nb

Qb

Stored Energy Factor = $G^2 \cdot (Tb + 1.1 \cdot Tf)$

Input Power Factor = $G \cdot (Tb + 2 \cdot Tf) \cdot Cfac$

Bunch Factor = $Nb \cdot Qb^2$

Beam Current Factor = $Qb \cdot Nb / Tb$



Module predicted heat loads -- 2K

TESLA ILC 9-8-9

	Static	Dynamic	Static	Dynamic
Temperature Level	2K		2K	
RF load		4.95		7.46
Supports	0.60		0.60	-
Input coupler	0.76	0.14	0.55	0.16
HOM coupler (cables)	0.01	0.27	0.01	0.18
HOM absorber	0.14	0.02	0.14	0.01
Beam tube bellows		0.24		0.36
Current leads	0.04		0.28	0.28
HOM to structure		1.68		1.20
Coax cable (4)	0.05		0.05	
Instrumentation taps	0.07		0.07	
Scales as Gfac		5.19		7.83
Scales as Pfac		0.14		0.16
Independent of G,Tf	1.67	1.97	1.70	1.68
Static, dynamic sum	1.67	7.30	1.70	9.66
2K Sum [W]	9.0		11.4	

Dynamic load scaled by the number of cavities and Gfac
 Assume independent of number of cavities
 Static load scaled by number of cavities, dynamic by Pfac also
 Static and dynamic load scaled by number of cavities, dynamic by Cfac also
 Dynamic load scaled by Bfac
 Dynamic load scaled by the number of cavities and Gfac
 Weigh by a factor of 1/3 since only 1 in 3 modules have quads**
 Static load scaled by the number of cavities, dynamic by Bfac also
 Assume independent of number of cavities
 Assume independent of number of cavities

Total for 9-8-9 RF unit below
 34.08



Module predicted heat loads -- 5K

TESLA ILC 9-8-9

	5K		5K	
Radiation	1.95		1.41	
Supports	2.40		2.40	
Input coupler	2.05	1.19	1.48	1.32
HOM coupler (cables)	0.40	2.66	0.29	1.82
HOM absorber	3.13	0.77	3.13	0.76
Current leads			0.47	0.47
Diagnostic cable	1.39	-	1.39	-
Scales as Pfac		1.19		1.32
Independent of G,Tf	11.32	3.43	10.56	3.04
Static, dynamic sum	11.32	4.62	10.56	4.37
5K Sum [W]	15.9		14.9	

Static load scaled by number of cavities

Assume independent of number of cavities

Static load scaled by number of cavities, dynamic by Pfac also

Static and dynamic load scaled by number of cavities, dynamic by Cfac also

Dynamic load scaled by Bfac

Weigh by a factor of 1/3 since only 1 in 3 modules have quads**

Assume independent of number of cavities

Total for 9-8-9 RF unit below

44.80



Module predicted heat loads -- 40K

TESLA ILC 9-8-9

	40K		40K	
Radiation	44.99		32.49	
Supports	6.00		6.00	
Input coupler	21.48	59.40	15.51	66.08
HOM coupler (cables)	2.55	13.22	1.84	9.04
HOM absorber	(3.27)	15.27	(3.27)	15.04
Current leads			4.13	4.13
Diagnostic cable	2.48		2.48	
Scales as Pfac		59.40		66.08
Independent of G,Tf	74.23	28.49	59.19	28.22
Static, dynamic sum	74.23	87.89	59.19	94.30
40K Sum [W]	162.1		153.5	

Static load scaled by number of cavities

Assume independent of number of cavities

Static load scaled by number of cavities, dynamic by Pfac also

Static and dynamic load scaled by number of cavities, dynamic by Cfac also

Dynamic load scaled by Bfac

Weigh by a factor of 1/3 since only 1 in 3 modules have quads**

Assume independent of number of cavities

Total for 9-8-9 RF unit below

460.46



Power required for a non-isothermal load

- Use
- Where P is the ideal room-temperature power required to remove a non-isothermal heat load
- I will show the use of this later in calculating the ILC cryogenic system power

QuickTime™ and a Graphics compressor are needed to see this picture.



Cryogenic unit parameters

		40 K to 80 K	5 K to 8 K	2 K
Predicted module static heat load	(W/module)	59.19	10.56	1.70
Predicted module dynamic heat load	(W/module)	94.30	4.37	9.66
Number of modules per cryo unit (8-cavity modules)		192.00	192.00	192.00
Non-module heat load per cryo unit	(kW)	1.00	0.20	0.20
Total predicted heat per cryogenic unit	(kW)	30.47	3.07	2.38
Heat uncertainty factor on static heat (F _{us})		1.10	1.10	1.10
Heat uncertainty factor on dynamic heat (F _{ud})		1.10	1.10	1.10
Efficiency (fraction Carnot)		0.28	0.24	0.22
Efficiency in Watts/Watt	(W/W)	16.45	197.94	702.98
Overcapacity factor (F _o)		1.40	1.40	1.40
Overall net cryogenic capacity multiplier		1.54	1.54	1.54
Heat load per cryogenic unit including F _{us} , F _{ud} , and F _o	(kW)	46.92	4.72	3.67
Installed power	(kW)	771.72	934.91	2577.65
Installed 4.5 K equiv	(kW)	3.53	4.27	11.78
Percent of total power at each level		18.0%	21.8%	60.2%
Total operating power for one cryo unit based on predicted heat (MW)				
			3.34	
Total installed power for one cryo unit (MW)				
			4.28	
Total installed 4.5 K equivalent power for one cryo unit (kW)				
			19.57	



CERN LHC capacity multipliers

- We have adopted a modified version of the LHC cryogenic capacity formulation for ILC
- Cryo capacity = $F_o \times (Q_d \times F_{ud} + Q_s \times F_{us})$
 - **F_o is overcapacity for control and off-design or off-optimum operation**
 - **Q_s is predicted static heat load**
 - **F_{us} is uncertainty factor static heat load estimate**
 - **F_{ud} is uncertainty factor dynamic heat load estimate**
 - **Q_d is predicted dynamic heat load**



Heat Load evolution in LHC

Basic Configuration: Pink Book 1996

Design Report: Design Report Document 2004

Temperature level	Heat load increase w/r to Pink Book	Main contribution to the increase
50-75 K	1,3	Separate distribution line
4-20 K	1,3	Electron-cloud deposition
1,9 K	1,5	Beam gas scattering, secondaries, beam losses
Current lead cooling	1,7	Separate electrical feeding of MB, MQF & MQD

At the early design phase of a project, margins are needed to cover unknown data or project configuration change.



Cryomodule sketch from TDR

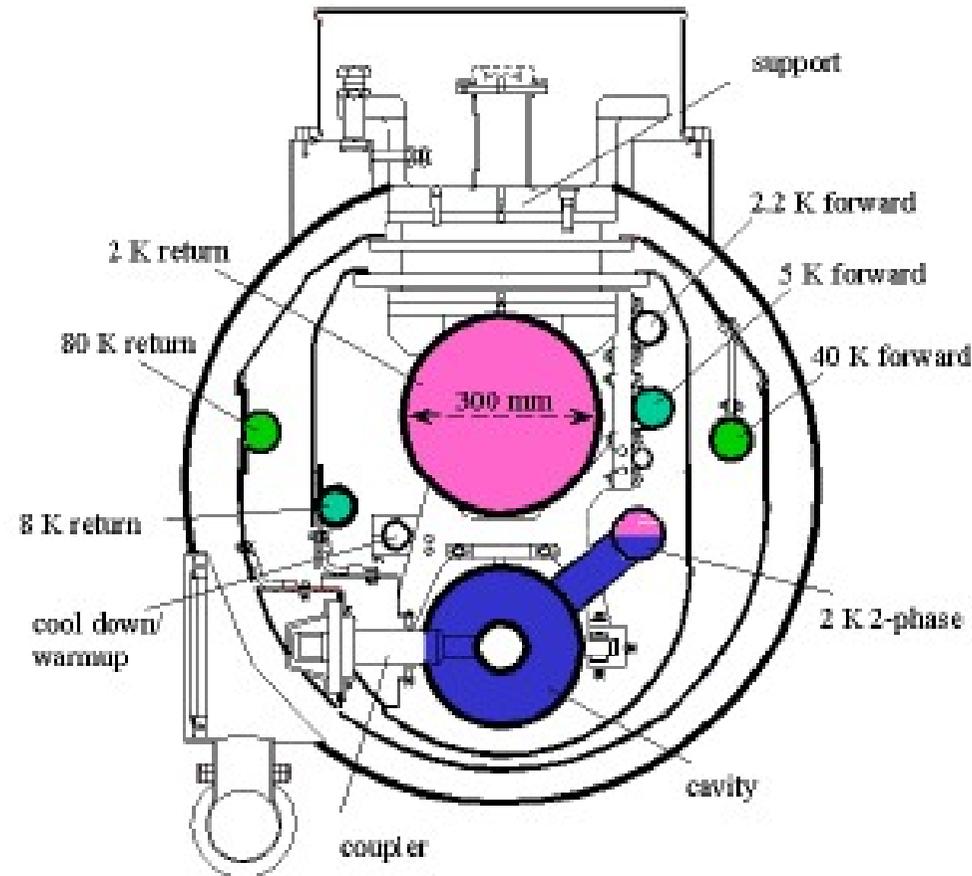


Figure 3.2.11: *Cross section of cryomodule.*



Pressure drop design goals -- 1

- 2 K supply (line A) -- $\Delta P = 0.1$ bar max
 - **Supply to JT valve so pressure drop not a major issue. Dropping pressure through valve anyway.**
 - Consider 4.5 K filling
 - Allow 0.1 bar max for liquid supply during fill
 - Assume flow same as with full 2 K load
- “300 mm” tube (line B) -- $dP = 3$ mbar max
 - **Tube size is essentially fixed, taken as a parameter restricting cryo unit length**
 - **Taking 3 mbar \implies 33 mK (2.000 K to 2.033 K range over cryogenic unit)**



Pressure drop design goals -- 2

- 5 K - 8 K thermal shield (lines C, D) -- 0.2 bar dP
 - **Operating between 5 bar and 4.0 - 4.5 bar**
 - Pressure and pressure range are somewhat arbitrary choices right now!
 - Must be integrated with plant cycle (true for all flow loops)
 - **Need >50% of dP in valve for control**
 - So aim for 0.2 bar delta-P or less
- 40 K - 80 K thermal shield (lines E, F) -- 1.0 bar dP
 - **Operating between 16 bar and 14 bar**
 - Again, must be integrated with plant cycle (true for all flow loops)
 - This is conservatively low pressure and large delta-P
 - **Want >50% of delta-P in valve for control**
 - So aim for 1 bar delta-P or less



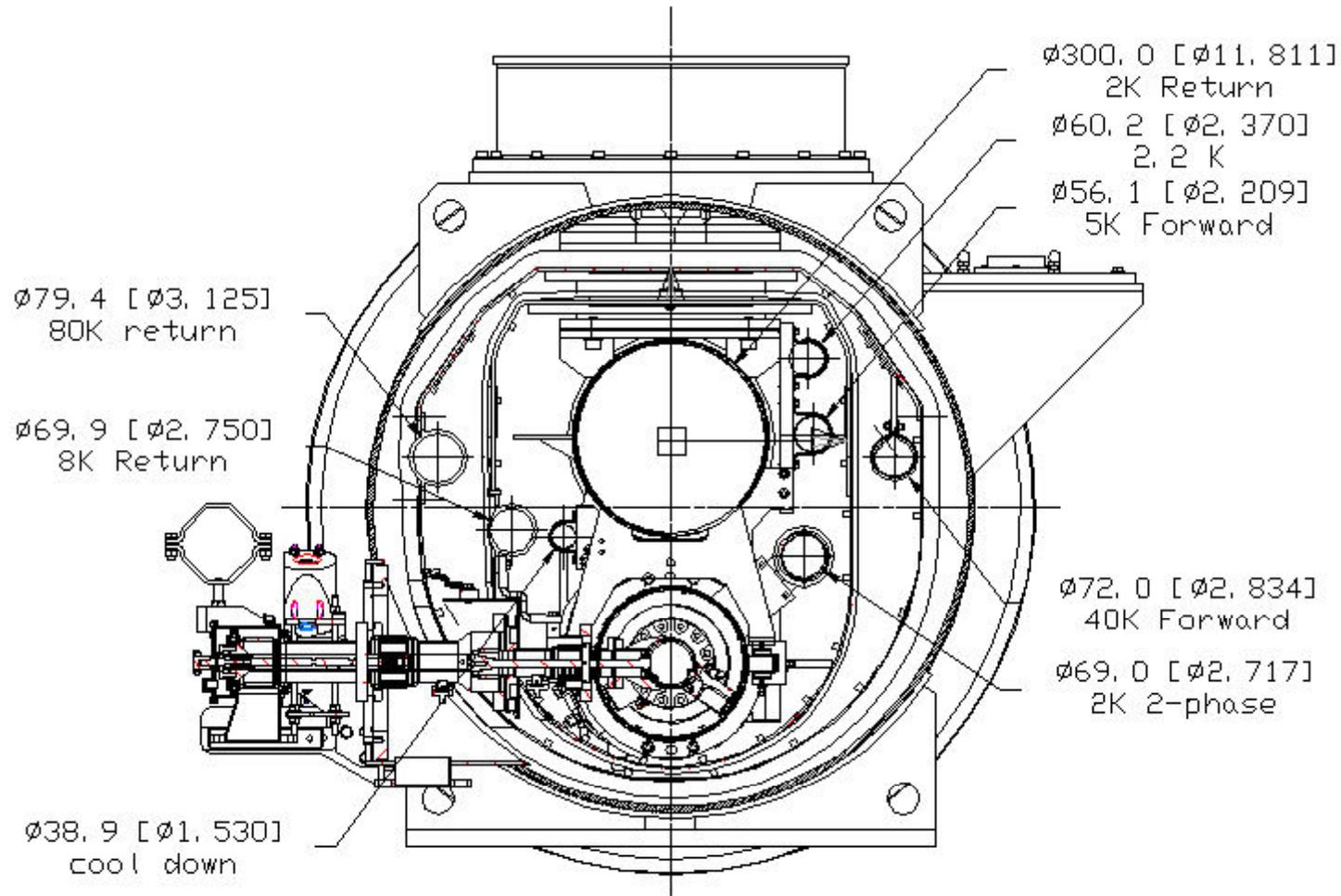
300 mm 2 K vapor tube (B)

Pressure drop in pipe (Pa) =	225.0
Pressure drop in pipe (mbar) =	2.25
Temperature rise due to pressure drop (K) =	0.0245

- Goal is no more than 3.0 mbar delta-P
- 300 mm ID tube pressure drop is 2.25 mbar (at 30 mbar)
 - 2.5 km
 - Assumed worst case flow, maximum plant output including all factors (0.93 gr/sec per module)
 - Pressure drop at about the limit. With much higher heat loads we would want shorter cryogenic units.
 - (my calculations, also in agreement with others)



Type 4 cryomodule pipe sizes



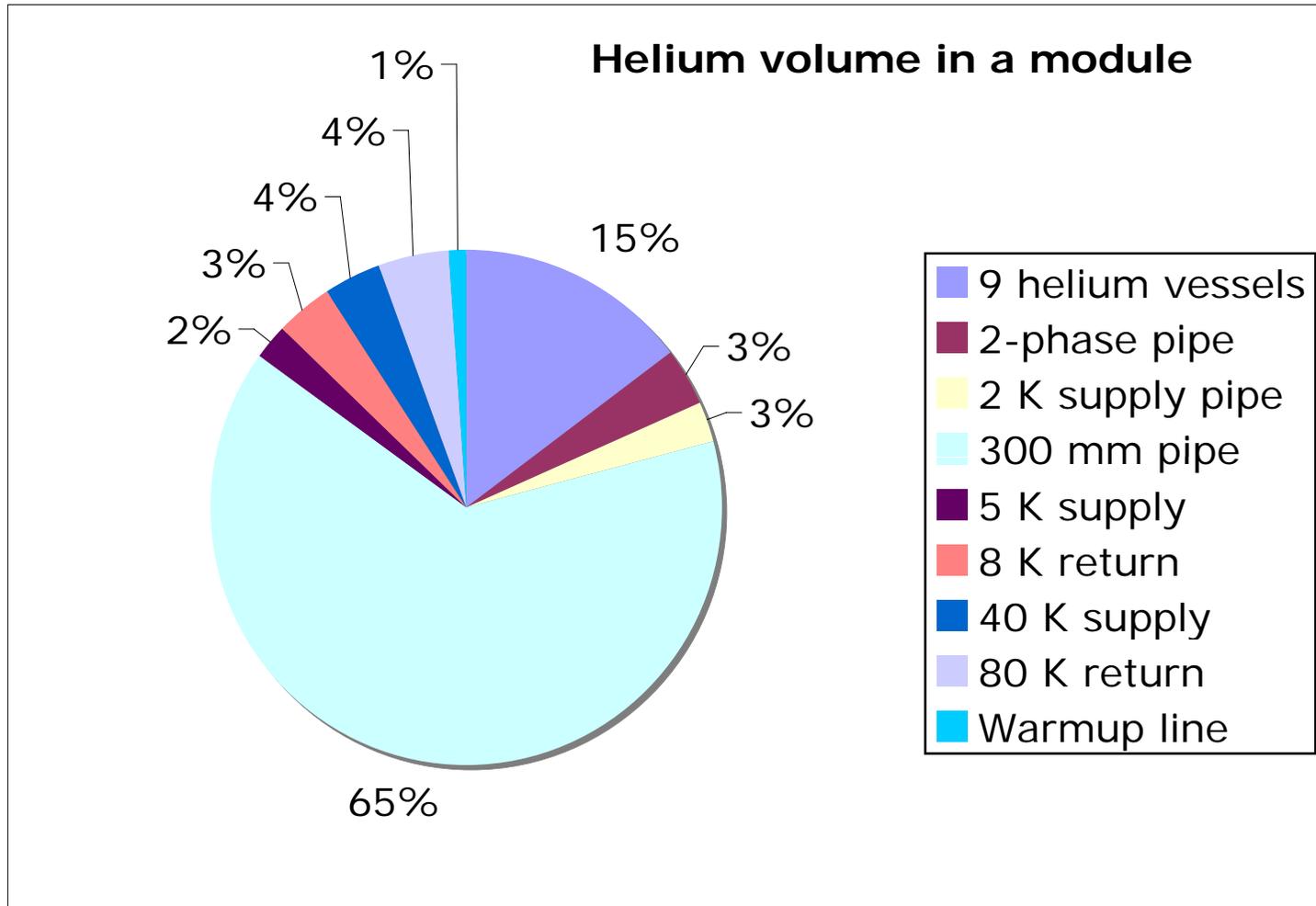


Pipe size summary now (July 07)

Pipe function	BCD name	TTF inner diameter (mm)	XFEL plan inner diameter (mm)	ILC and T4CM proposed inner dia (mm)	ILC allowed pressure drop
2.2 K subcooled supply	A	45.2	45.2	60	0.10 bar
Major return header, structural supp't	B	300	300	300	3.0 mbar
5 K shield and intercept supply	C	54	54	56.1	
8 K shield and intercept return	D	50	65	70	0.20 bar (C+D)
40 – 80 K shield and intercept supply	E	54	65	72	
40 - 80 K shield and intercept return	F	50	65	80	1.0 bar (E+F)
2-phase pipe		72.1	>72.1	72.1	
Helium vessel to 2-phase pipe cross-connect		54.9	54.9	54.9	

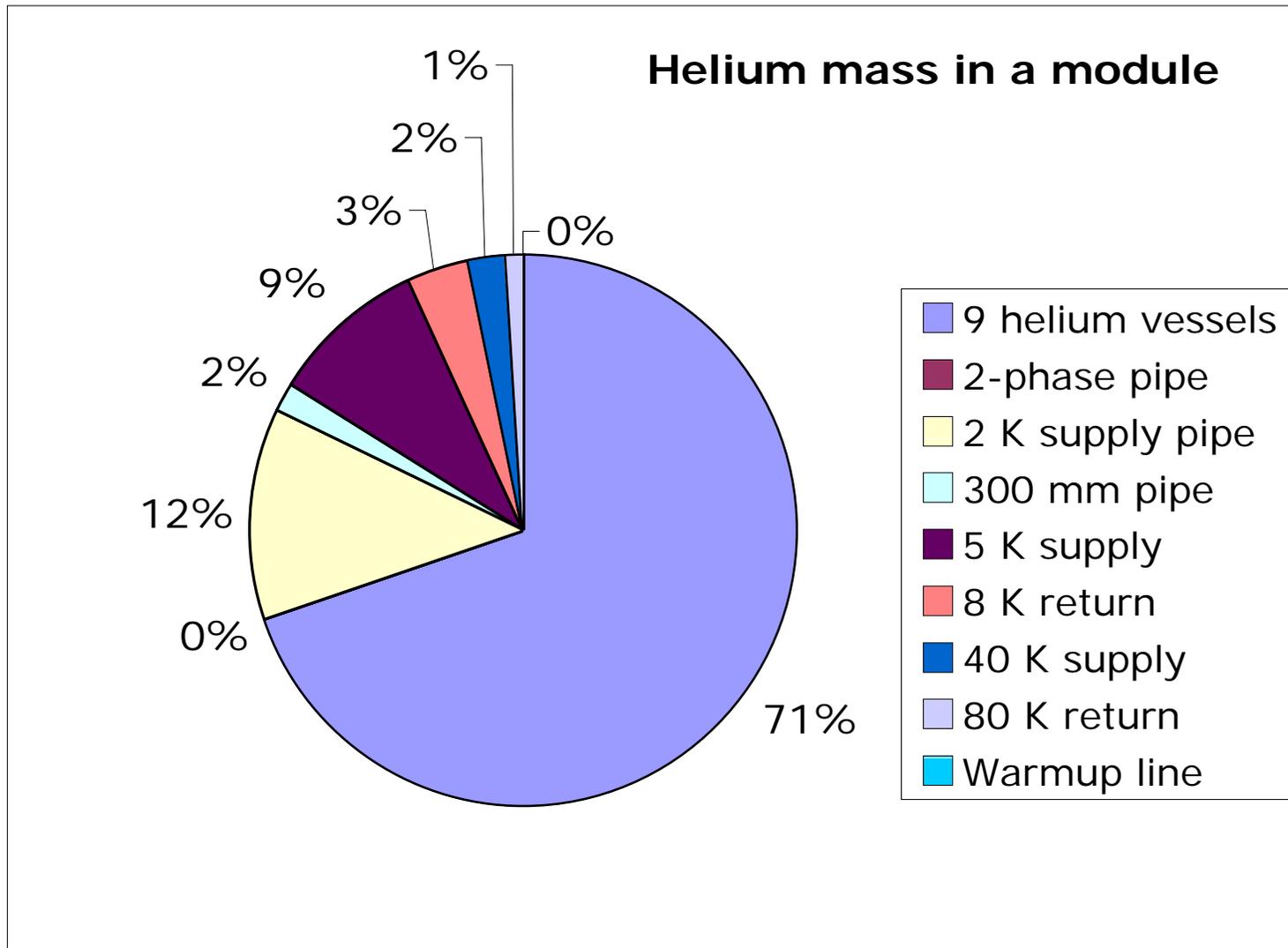


Helium Volume in a Cryomodule





Helium Inventory in a Cryomodule





Off-design operation

- Helium venting with loss of vacuum
 - Cryostat insulating vacuum ($\sim 6 \text{ W/cm}^2$)
 - Cavity vacuum ($\sim 2\text{-}4 \text{ W/cm}^2$)
 - Large flow rates
 - 300 mm header acts as buffer
 - No venting to tunnel
- Warm-up and cool-down
 - Relatively low mass compared to magnet systems
 - Allow for greater mass of magnet package



Maximum allowable pressures

- Helium vessel, 2 phase pipe, 300 mm header
 - **2 bar warm**
 - Limited by cavity detuning
 - Issue for pushing warm-up and cool-down flows
 - **4 bar cold**
 - Limited by cavity detuning
 - Issue for emergency venting
- Shield pipes
 - **20 bar**
 - Need high pressure for density to reduce flow velocities and pressure drops



Source cryogenics

- Electron source
 - 25 modules, assembled as two strings
 - SC spin rotator section, 50 m long
- Positron source
 - 22 modules, about half special with extra magnets, assembled as two strings
 - Undulator cryo in Main Linac
 - Overall module heat taken as same load as electron side
- Costed as separate cryoplants, but may at least share compressors with pts 2 and 3.



- Included in Main Linac layout as a cryogenic unit cooled from pts 6 and 7
- Cost of refrigeration scaled like 2 K heat loads

Note on dividing costs between RTML and Main Linac

Heat loads for transfer lines like module static, so 15% of module
3 modules in BC1 plus 3*15 modules in BC2

500 m of transfer lines = 75 m of modules = 6 modules

Count SC solenoids as one module for equivalent heat

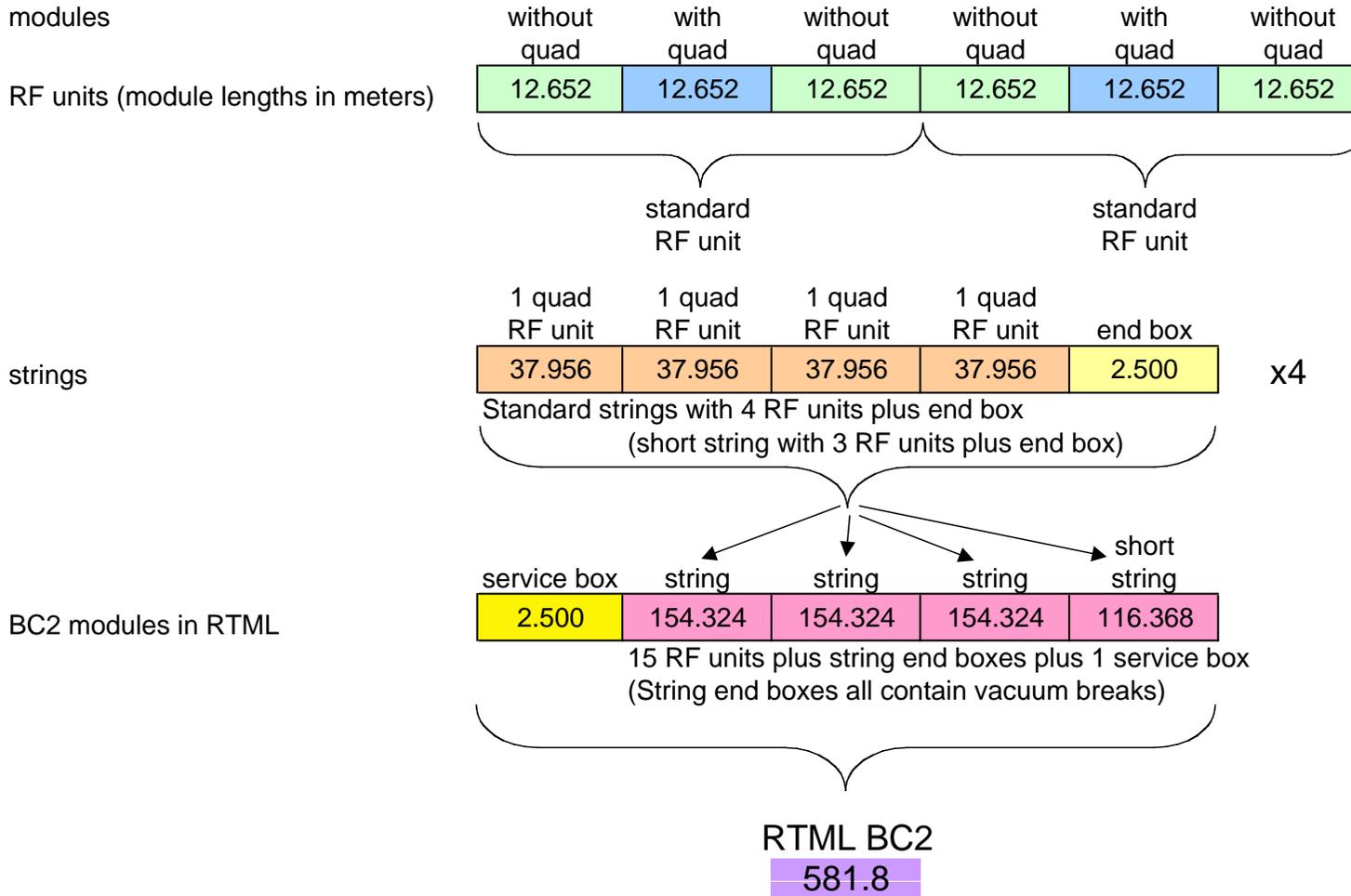
RTML total modules = 55 modules equivalent heat load

Fraction of ML total = 0.065



RTML BC2 follows main linac pattern

RTML (updated to show standard RF units, one quad in three modules)





Damping ring cryogenics

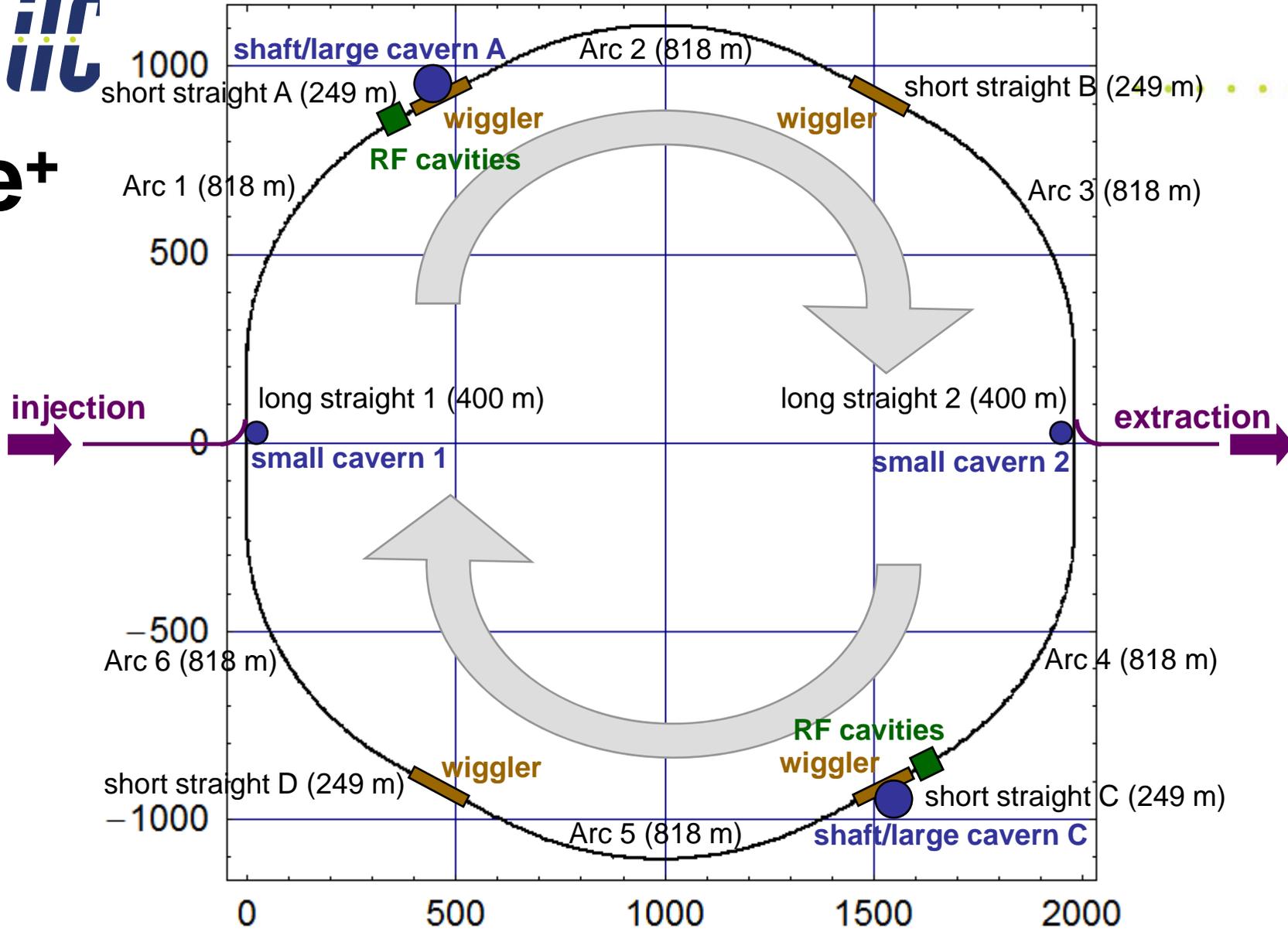
	e- RF module (one cavity per module)	e+ RF module	e- wiggler (2.5 meters)	e+ wiggler (2.5 meters)
Static 4.5 K heat per module or magnet (W)	30.0	30.0	5.0	5.0
Dynamic 4.5 K heat per module or magnet (W)	40.0	40.0	0.0	0.0
4.5 K liquid per pair wiggler current leads (g/s)			0.01	0.01
Number of modules or magnets per string	9	9	20	20
Total 4.5 K heat per string (W)	630.0	630.0	100.0	100.0
Total 4.5 K liquid per string (g/s)			0.2	0.2
Number of strings per ring	2	2	4	4
Number of modules or magnets per ring	18.0	18.0	80.0	80.0
Number of strings per cryoplant	1	1	2	2
Total 4.5 K heat per cryoplant (W)	630.0	630.0	200.0	200.0
Total 4.5 K liquid per cryoplant (g/s)			0.4	0.4
Static 70 K heat (W)	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0
Dynamic 70 K heat (W)	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0
Number per string	9	9	20	20
Total 70 K heat per string (W)	540.0	540.0	1000.0	1000.0
Number of strings per cryoplant	1	1	2	2
Total 70 K heat per cryoplant (W)	540.0	540.0	2000.0	2000.0

Notes: 2 cryoplants total for damping rings

- Result is two cryoplants each of total capacity equivalent to 3.5 kW at 4.5 K.



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Beam delivery system cryogenics

- Crab cavities (3.9 GHz) at 1.8 K plus magnets
 - **Not including detector cooling nor moveable magnets**
- 80 W at 1.8 K ==> 4 gr/sec liquefaction plus room-temperature pumping
- In total for one 14 mr IR
 - **4 gr/sec at 4.5 K**
 - **400 W at 4.5 K**
 - **2000 W at 80 K**
- Overall capacity equivalent to about 1.9 kW at 4.5 K for one plant cooling both sides of one IR
 - **Similar in size and features to an RF test facility refrigerator**



ILC cryogenic system inventory

Volumes		Helium (liquid liters equivalent)	Tevatron equivalents	LHC equivalents	Inventory cost (K\$)
One module		346.1			
String	12 modules	4,153.3	0.1		12.46
Cryogenic unit	14-16 strings	62,991.5	1.0	0.1	188.97
ILC main linacs	2x5 cryo units	630,260.9	10.5	0.8	1890.78

Since we have not counted all the cryogenic subsystems and storage yet, ILC probably ends up with a bit more inventory than LHC



ILC cryogenic plant size summary

Area	Number of plants	Installed plant size (each) (MW)	Installed total power (MW)	Operating power (each) (MW)	Operating total power (MW)
Main Linac + RTML	10.00	4.28	42.80	3.34	33.40
Sources	2.00	0.59	1.18	0.46	0.92
Damping Rings	2.00	1.13	2.26	0.88	1.76
BDS	1.00	0.41	0.41	0.33	0.33
TOTAL			46.65		36.41

- TESLA 500 TDR for comparison
 - 5 plants at ~5.15 MW installed
 - 2 plants at ~3.5 MW installed
 - Total 32.8 MW installed
 - Plus some additional for damping rings



Cryoplants compared to TESLA

- Why more cryo power in ILC than TESLA?
 - **Dynamic load up with gradient squared (linac length reduced by gradient)**
 - **Lower assumptions about plant efficiency, in accordance with recent industrial estimate, see table below**

	Cryoplant coefficient of performance (W/W)		
	40 K - 80 K	5 K - 8 K	2 K
TESLA TDR:	17	168	588
XFEL:	20	220	870
Industrial est:	16.5	200	700
ILC assumption:	16.4	197.9	703.0

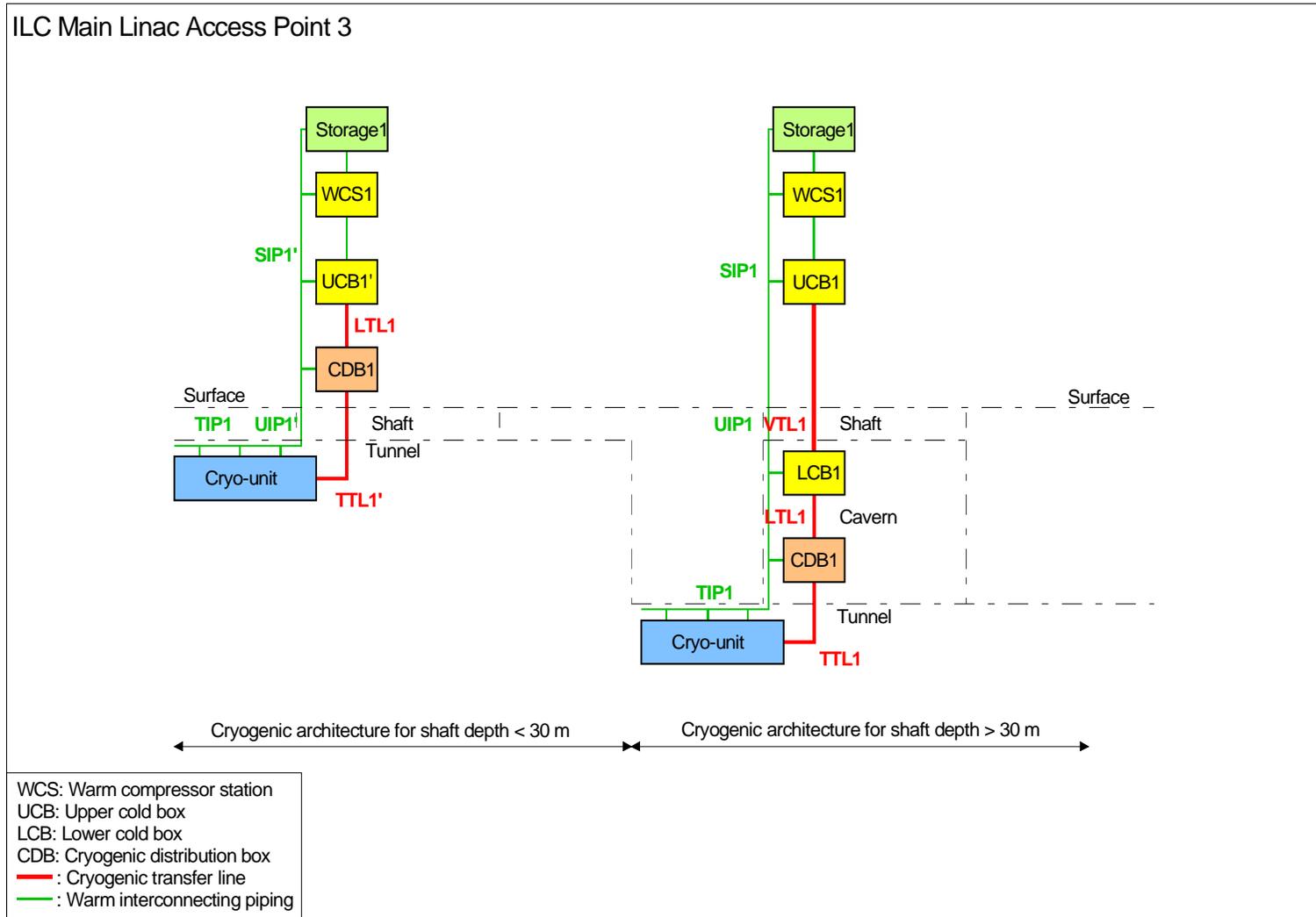


Items associated with plants

- Compressor systems (electric motors, starters, controls, screw compressors, helium purification, piping, oil cooling and helium after-cooling)
- Upper cold box (vacuum-jacketed heat exchangers, expanders, 80 K purification)
- Lower cold box (vacuum-jacketed heat exchangers, expanders, cold compressors)
- Gas storage (large tank “farms”, piping, valves)
- Liquid storage (a lot, amount to be determined)

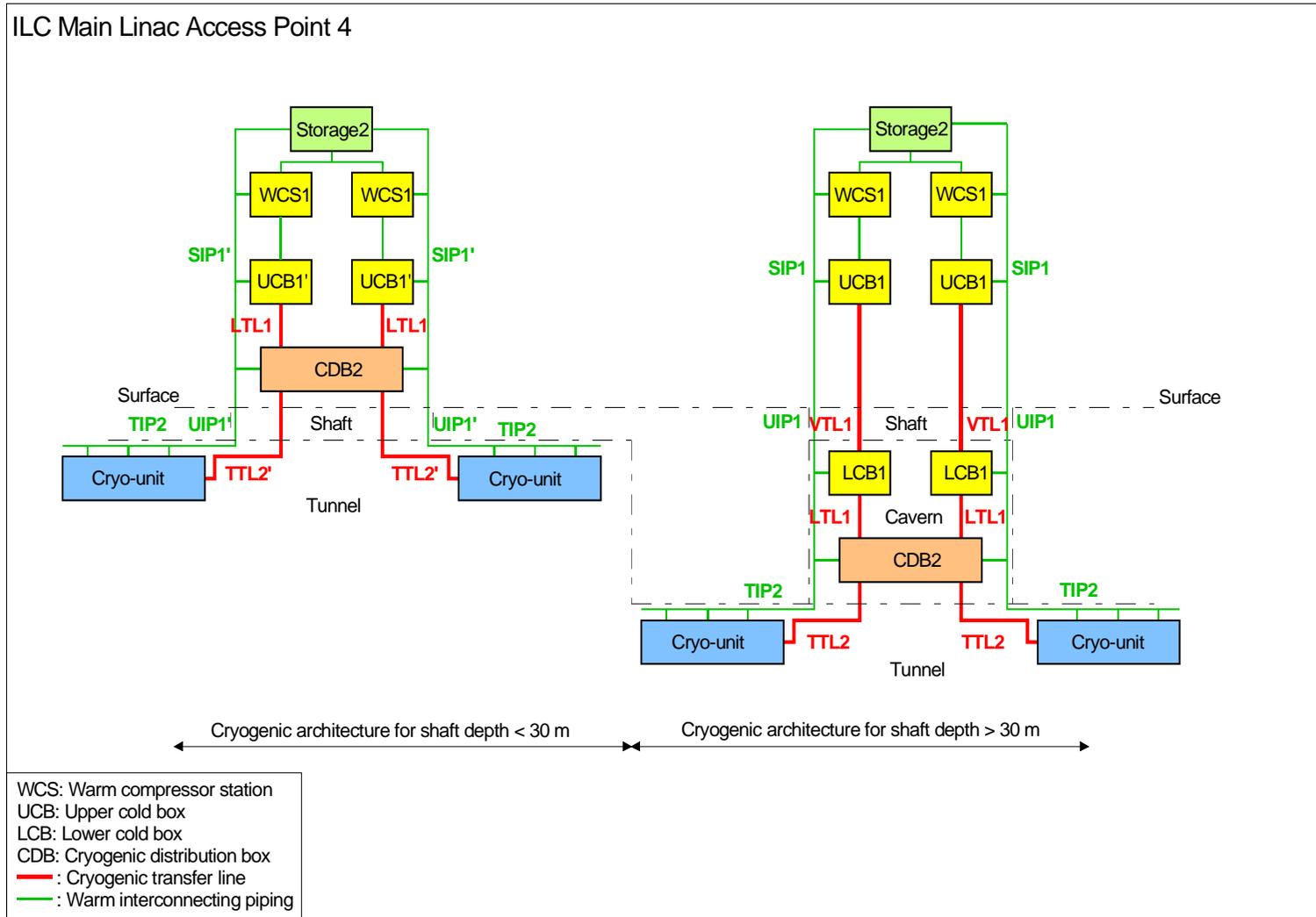


Architecture: Main Linac P3



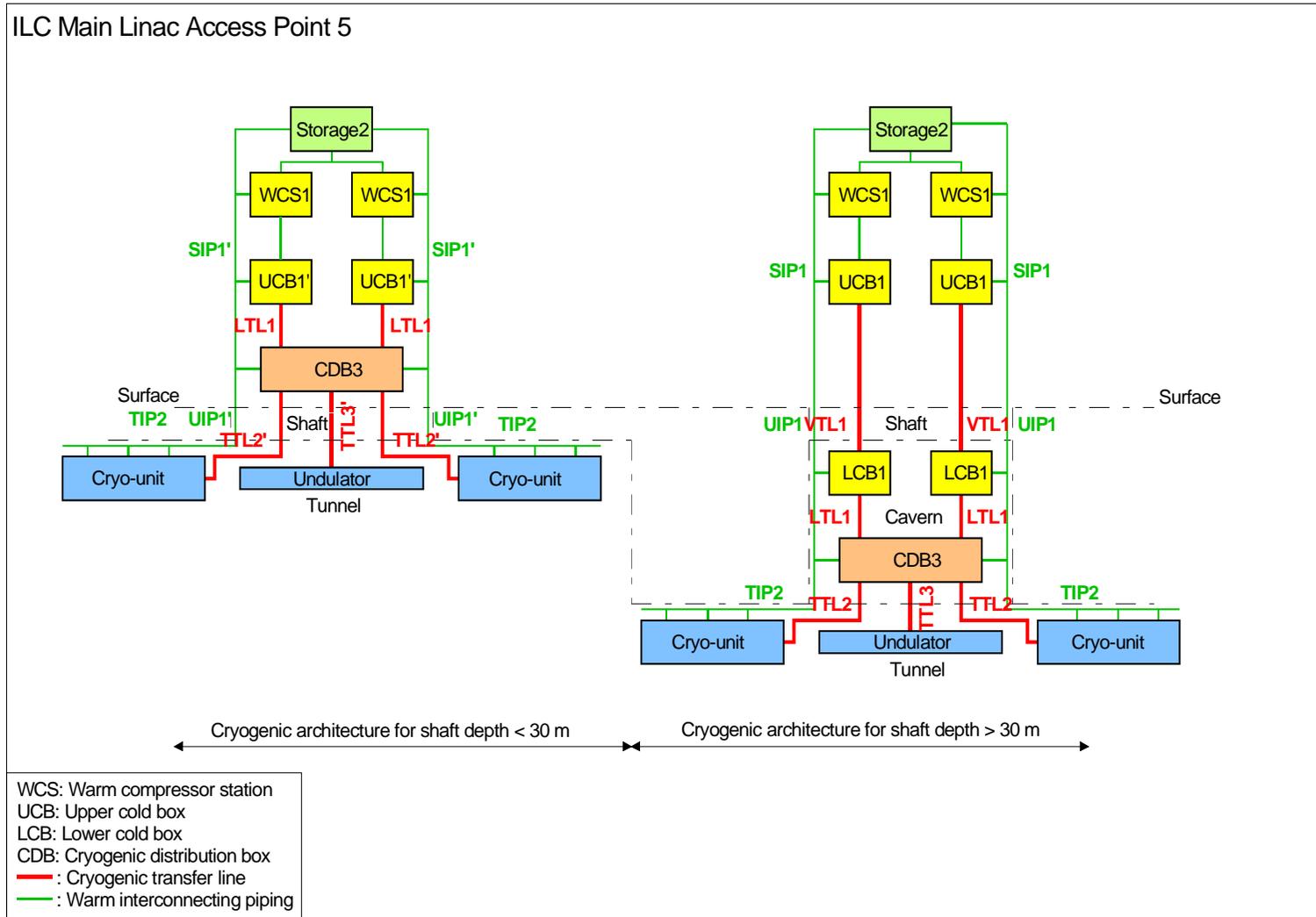


Architecture: Main Linac P4





Architecture: Main Linac P5





LHC Helium Compressor Station



"WCS" Compressor station



LHC Helium Refrigerator Coldbox 18 kW @ 4.5 K



"UCB" cold boxes





Cryogenic system design status

- Fairly complete accounting of cold devices with heat load estimates and locations
 - **Some cold devices still not well defined**
 - **Some heat loads are very rough estimates**
- Cryogenic plant capacities have been estimated
 - **Overall margin about 1.54**
 - **Main linac plants dominate, each at 20 kW @ 4.5 K equiv.**
- Component conceptual designs (distribution boxes, end boxes, transfer lines) are still sketchy
 - **Need these to define space requirements and make cost estimates**
 - **Used area system lattice designs to develop transfer line lengths and conceptual cryosystem layouts**



Decisions still pending

- Features for managing emergency venting of helium need development effort
 - **Large vents and/or fast-closing vacuum valves are required for preventing overpressure on cavity**
 - **Large gas line in tunnel?**
 - **Spacing of vacuum breaks**
- Helium inventory management schemes need more thought
- Consider ways to group compressors, cooling towers, and helium storage so as to minimize surface impact
 - **New ILC layout with central sources and damping rings may provide significant opportunities for grouping at least of compressors, which are major power and water users and have the most visible surface impact.**



Possibility for Cost Optimization

- Cryomodule / cryogenic system cost trade-off studies
 - **Additional 1 W at 2 K per module ==> additional capital cost to the cryogenic system of \$4300 to \$8500 per module (depending on whether we scale plant costs or scale the whole cryogenic system). (5 K heat and 80 K heat are much cheaper to remove than 2 K.)**
 - **Additional 1 W at 2 K per module ==> additional installed power of 3.2 MW for ILC or \$1100 per year per module operating costs.**
 - **Low cryo costs relative to module costs suggest that an optimum ILC system cost might involve relaxing some module features for ease of fabrication, even at the expense of a few extra watts of static heat load per module.**
 - For example, significant simplification of thermal shields, MLI systems, and thermal strapping systems



Towards the EDR

- Continue to refine heat load estimates and required plant sizes
- Refine system layout schemes to optimize plant locations and transfer line distances
 - **Particularly for the sources, damping rings, and beam delivery system**
 - **Develop cryogenic process, flow, and instrumentation diagrams and conceptual equipment layouts**
- Develop conceptual designs for the various end boxes, distribution boxes, and transfer lines
- Refine liquid control schemes so as to understand use of heaters and consequent heat loads (allowed for in $Fo = 1.4$)
- Consider impact of cool-down, warm-up and off-design operations
- Evaluate requirements for loss-of-vacuum venting
- Contract with industry for a main linac cryogenic plant conceptual design and cost study (which will also feed back to system design)