Development of HTS magnets and UCN source at RCNP

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The Research Center for Nuclear Physics (RCNP) cyclotron cascade system has been operated to provide high quality beams for various experiments in nuclear and fundamental physics and applications. The accelerator cascade consists of an injector Azimuthally Varying Field (AVF) cyclotron (K=140) and a ring cyclotron (K=400). Sophisticated experimental apparatuses are equipped like a pair spectrometer, a neutron time-of-flight facility with a 100-m-long tunnel, a radioactive nuclei separator, a super-thermal ultra cold neutron (UCN) source, a white neutron source, and a RI production system for nuclear chemistry. In my talk, I will present the development of the High Temperature Superconducting (HTS) magnets and the UCN source.

More than two decades have passed since the discovery of HTS materials in 1986. Significant effort went into the development of new and improved conductor materials and it became possible to manufacture relatively long HTS wires of the first generation. Although many prototype devices using HTS wires have been developed, these applications are presently rather limited in accelerator and beam line facilities. It is inevitable to downsize the system in order to install it in a town hospital. There have been a lot of efforts to make accelerators compact. However, it is well known an accelerator is not the main part to determine the size of a particle radiotherapy facility. A beam delivering system becomes large and heavy for a heavy ion therapy system. For example, the gantry of the HIT facility at Heidelberg is 13m in diameter and 25m long. The total weight of rotating parts amounts to 570t. At RCNP, we have developed HTS magnets as a key device of the next generation particle radiotherapy system. Performance of the fabricated scanning magnet is discussed. A 3T dipole magnet is designed and under fabrication utilizing HTS wires. The magnets can be excited by alternating currents to study the applicability to synchrotron magnets as well as gantry magnets.

The present UCN source is placed in a 400MeV proton beam line. Spallation neutrons are evaporated from the lead target and are moderated to cold neutrons by the room temperature heavy water and 10K heavy ice. Cold neutrons are cooled to UCN by exchanging phonons and rotons in superfluid helium (He-II) at 0.8K. We achieved UCN density of $19/\text{cm}^3$ at 90neV. We are preparing for the measurements of the neutron electric dipole moment (nEDM). Ramsey fringe was successfully observed at the magnetic field of 2μ T and the correlation time of 30s. Efforts are being continued to improve the T1 relaxation time and to apply the electric field to the EDM cell.

We expect the collaboration with researches at the Indiana University will be very beneficial to promote developments in both the accelerator and neutron physics.

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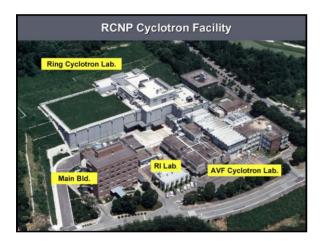
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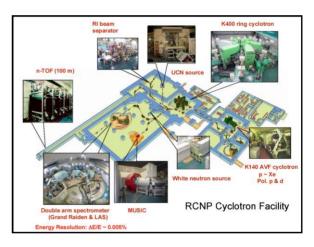
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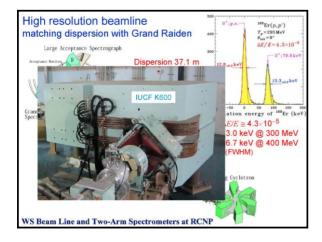
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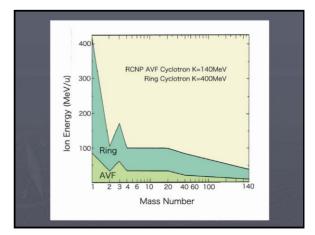
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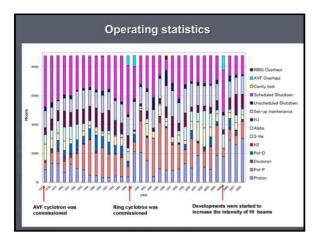
- 1. Overview of the RCNP cyclotron facility
- 2. High Temperature Superconducting magnets Scanning magnet Dipole magnet
 - (Accelerator physics)
- 3. Ultra Cold Neutron Source (Fundamental physics)

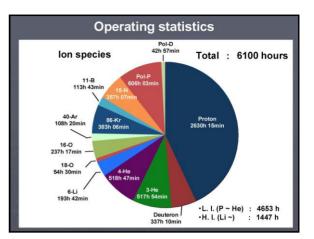


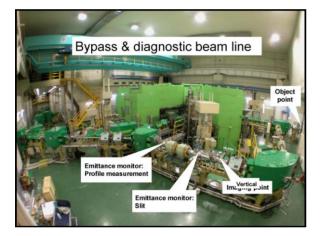


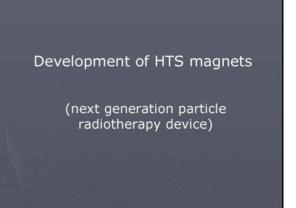








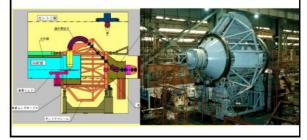


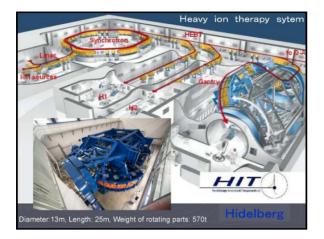




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Diameter: 10~12mt Compact irradiation system is required



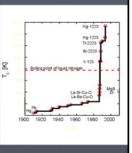


AC loss measurement

Cu-oxide HTS materials

1986: discovery of (La_{1-x}Ba_x)₂CuO₄ J.G. Bednorz and K.A. Müller

1st generation HTS wires ($T_c = 110 \text{ K}$) Bi₂Sr₂Ca₂Cu₃O₁₀ (Bi-2223) 2nd generation HTS wires ($T_c = 95 \text{ K}$) YBa₂Cu₃O₇ (Y-123)

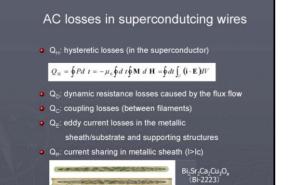


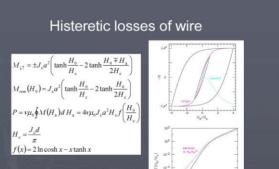
Application of HTS conductors to magnets

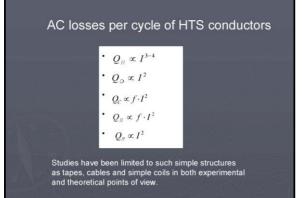
Compact system

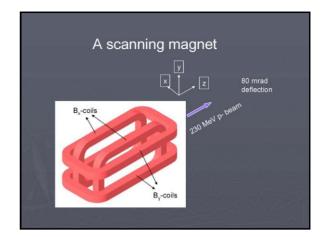
- Simple cooling system (No liquid He is required) cryogenic refrigerators and conduction cooling
- A wide temperature range of the operation
- A large margin in operating temperature application to AC magnets as well as DC magnet for example,

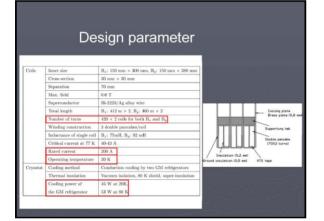
cyclotron, synchrotron, beam line magnets gantry magnets for the cancer treatment scanning magnets for ion planting or therapy



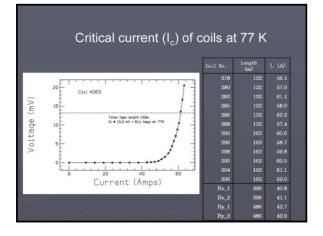


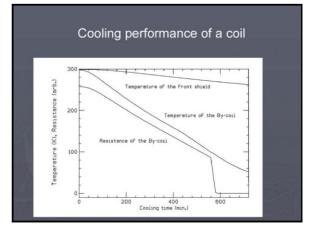


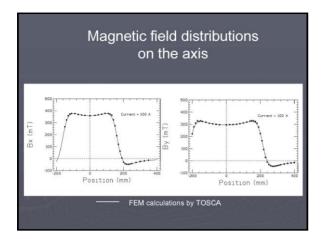


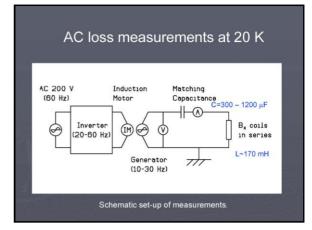




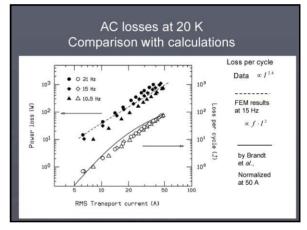




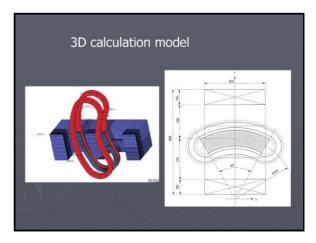






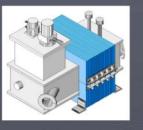






Specification of the 3T dipole magnet

- Orbit radius:400 mm Deflection angle:60 °
- Pole gap: 30 mm
- Cold pole
- Laminated pole and yoke for AC operation



Schematic view.

Specification of HTS coils

Wire:DI-BISCCO Type-HT(SS 0.46 × 0.36 12.5µm polyimide (Half wrap) Winding:600 turns × 2 coils Operating temperature :20K Critical current (measured): Wire:160 ~ 178A Double pancake:60 ~ 70A Coil:47A, 51A

