

HORIZONTAL DILUTION REFRIGERATOR  
FOR USE IN INTENSE PROTON BEAMS

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ABSTRACT

A fast loading high-power horizontal dilution refrigerator insert has been built for use in the Michigan Polarized Proton Target (PPT V). This PPT will be used in measurements of spin effects in high  $P_{\perp}$  elastic p-p scattering at the Brookhaven AGS. The cooling power is compared with the existing interchangeable  $^3\text{He}$  evaporation insert, and with similar dilution refrigerators at CERN and Bonn. The relative merits of these two types of refrigerators in absorbing the heat loads of high intensity beams is discussed.

INTRODUCTION

The construction of high-power fast-loading<sup>1,2</sup> interchangeable<sup>1</sup> dilution refrigerators has been completed at several laboratories. The emergence of  $\text{NH}_3$  as a radiation resistant target material<sup>3,4,5,6</sup> has shifted the limiting factor in beam intensity from target materials to bead cooling. Arguments previously advanced<sup>7,8</sup> suggest that the dilution refrigerator possesses a great advantage in this respect.

EVAPORATION VS. DILUTION

The performance of the three comparable dilution refrigerators (Fig. 1) is quite similar. The maximum cooling power is much less than that of the U of M  $^3\text{He}$  refrigerator. Also shown is the performance of a hypothetical dilution refrigerator, whose maximum cooling power is equal to that of the  $^3\text{He}$  refrigerator. It is seen (Fig. 2) that the calculated<sup>7,8</sup> bead temperature (for 1.5 mm dia. beads) is a strong function of heat load for the  $^3\text{He}$  refrigerator, and surprisingly independent of maximum cooling power in the case of the  $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$  refrigerator. In transforming the  $Q_{\text{total}}$  of the lower scale in Fig. 2

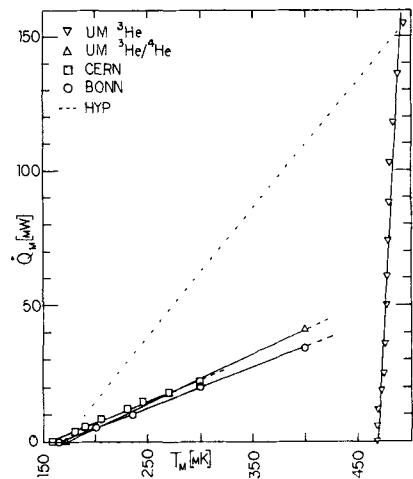


Fig. 1 - Cooling Power

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to protons per second in Fig. 3 the target mass was taken to be 10g for the  $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$  refrigerator and 17g for the  $^3\text{He}$  refrigerator, and  $\mu$ wave heating 0.5 mwatt/g to the beads. A Gaussian beam profile is assumed with 95% ( $2\sigma$ ) of the beam in the target. Using the calculated  $T_{\text{beads}}$  of Fig. 2 it is possible to extrapolate a target polarization  $P = \tanh(E_{\text{nh}} \mu B / kT)$ . The numerical value of the enhancement factor  $E_{\text{nh}}$  is found to be 237 by assuming 50% proton polarization in a  $^4\text{He}$  evaporation refrigerator with 1.1K bath (and bead) temperature. Conversely, for thermal equilibrium conditions  $E_{\text{nh}}=1$  and bead temperature may be calculated from the above relation after measuring  $P$  (the so-called 'inverse thermal' technique).

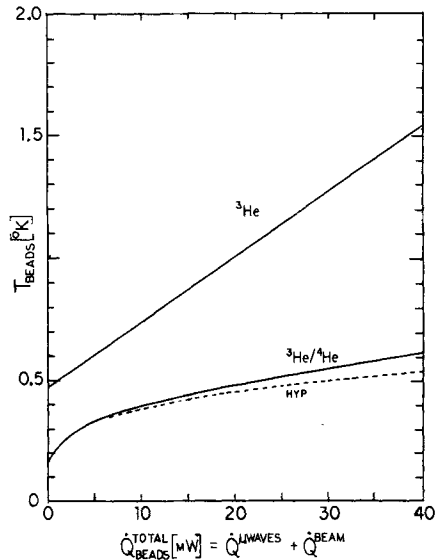


Fig. 2  
Bead Temperature vs  
Internal Heating

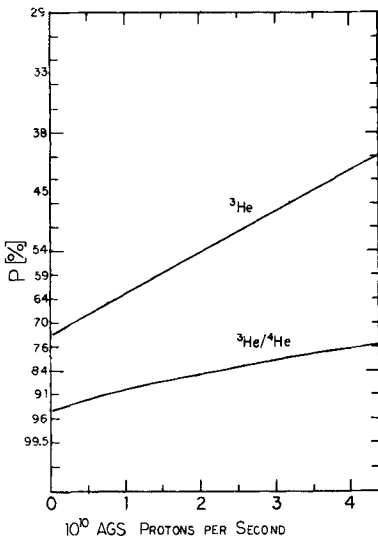


Fig. 3  
Target Polarization  
vs. Beam Heating

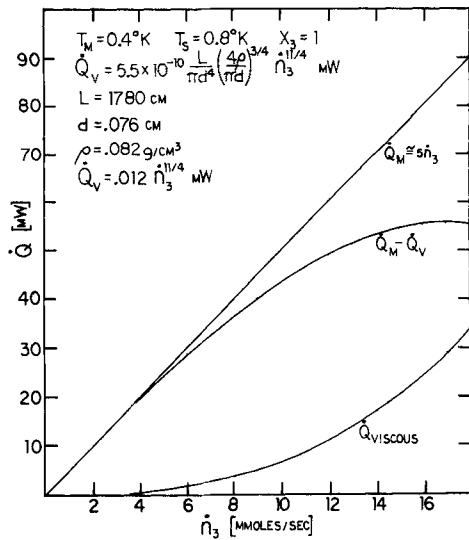


Fig. 4  
Viscous Heating in  
the Concentrated Stream

## CONCLUSION

While it appears that the  $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$  refrigerator is much more effective in cooling the beads, a direct measurement of relative bead temperatures has not yet been made. It should be possible to do this incidental to the operation of UM AGS experiment E748 in early 1983.

## APPENDIX

The literature abounds with analyses of the operation of dilution refrigerators in the range 0-100 mK. The region 100-800 mK has received much less attention. In particular, viscous heating in the concentrated stream (Fig. 4) can be surprisingly large<sup>9</sup>. These results are calculated for the as-built UM  $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$  refrigerator. Most of this heat load falls upon the excess enthalpy of the dilute stream rather than the mixing chamber<sup>10</sup>, and the available cooling power is probably only slightly diminished.

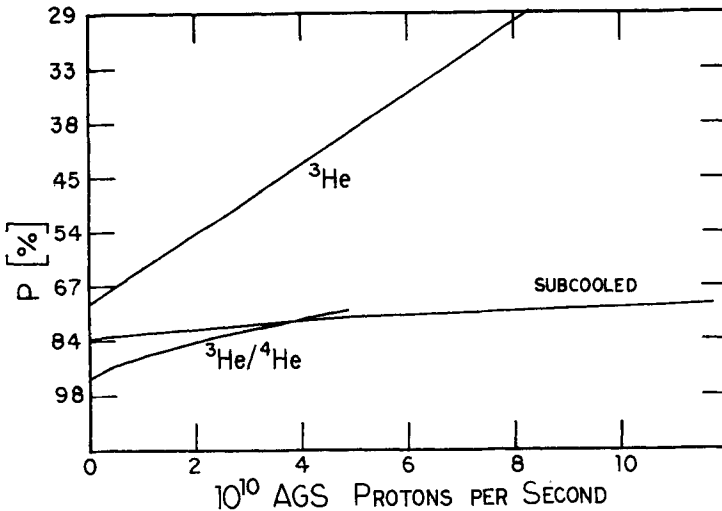


Fig. 5 - Target Polarization vs. Beam Heating

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It has been proposed<sup>11</sup> to combine the advantages of the two types of refrigerators in the subcooled  $^4\text{He}$  technique. The device described in the Yale-SLAC proposal would use a conventional  $^3\text{He}$  evaporation refrigerator and a heat exchanger to cool the  $^4\text{He}$  bath.

Figure 5 shows the performance of a device in which the cooling power of the  $^3\text{He}$  evaporation refrigerator of Figure 1 has somehow been used to subcool a  $^4\text{He}$  bead bath. The beam heating at  $10^{11}$  protons per second corresponds to the 150 mw of cooling power shown in Figure 1.

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