Vibration measurement and mitigation for cryogenfree dilution refrigerator

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Cryogen-free DR

Pulse tube refrigerators replace LHe baths.

Easy operation, low maintenance, large experimental space, but..

Mechanical vibration from PTR blocks wider adoption



Pulse tube refrigerator

Cooling power from adiabatic expansion of **high-pressure** helium

Varying pressure: expansion and contraction of the SS tube via pressurized He →VIBRATION!!

~10um, 1.4 Hz (Cryomech)

K. Uhlig, Cryogenics 42 (2002) 73-77.



Image from http://large.stanford.edu/courses/2007/ph210/bert2/

Vibration in AMoRE-pilot

AMoRE: 0-neutrino double beta decay experiment with MMC.

Acceleration causes **friction** between CaMoO₄ and posts: Heat \rightarrow unstable baseline

Vibration from PTR was the major noise source

Preexisting DR, no Cu braid



Vibration measurement



$$a = \omega_0 \times v = \frac{1}{2}\omega_0^2 \times d$$

Accelerometer



Image from http://insights.globalspec.com/article/1263/ specifying-an-accelerometer-function-and-applications

Geophone

- Read induced current on coil proportional to velocity
 - least sensitive
- Geospace GS-11D
 - Natural frequency 4.5 Hz
 - operates at 4K



Image from https://astarmathsandphysics.com/a-level-physicsnotes/waves-and-oscillations/3120-the-geophone.html



- Difficult installation & alignment
 - DR open at room temperature



Measurement @ MC

- **Default** Leiden Cryogenics DR
- Freq < 100 Hz dominant
- horizontal >> vertical



rms µm (DC-100 Hz)	horizontal	vertical
PTR off	0.2	0.1
PTR on	5.4	0.5

 10^{-5}

Displacement vs. accelerations



Measurement Pulse tube Setup

- Leiden Cryogenics CF-1400 model
- Cryomech PT-415
- No Cu braid
 - 3K temperature ~4K
 - Vibration isolation less effective



Accelerometer results



Vibration Isolation



Spring-suspended still

3K

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low R: higher damping

> Heat transfer by LHe in still: **No cooling power loss!**

3 Hz

Eddy Current Damper (1 out of 3 in total) original: **Rev. Sci. Instrum. 85 (2014) 035112.** Design, fab, & installation by **Leiden Spin Imaging**

SSS results

Geophone on **still plate** Temperature: ~4K

vertical arms reduced by 3.9



rms mm/sec ² (1-1000 Hz)	horizontal	vertical
rigid	5.6	21
SSS @ 4K	N/A	5.4
PTR off	0.6	0.6



Mass-spring system



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Mass-spring results

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rms mm/sec ² (1-3000 Hz)	horizontal	vertical
rigid	20	47
Mass-spring	5	7
PTR off	5	5



Results for AMORE-pilot

Laser-interferometer
 @ detector tower bottom



rms mm/sec ² (DC-100 Hz)	horizontal	vertical
rigid	13	2.5
SSS + MS	1.2	< 0.9
off	0.3	0.1





Summary & discussion

- Vibration in AMoRE-pilot cryogenfree dilution refrigerator was measured.
 - Major acceleration peak in 10-300 Hz
- The mechanical filters effectively isolated the vibration.
- The performance of the detectors improved significantly.
- Residual vibration: lowest frequencies, vertical internal modes



BACKUP slides

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SSS transfer functions

