



COLD LAB ACTIVITY REPORT

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COLD - Cryogenic Laboratory for Detectors

- **Axion Experiments**
- Superconducting Quantum Devices
- Superconducting Cavities
- Magnetic Measurements





EXPERIMENTS

QUAX – QUest for AXions

Search for galactic axions with Sikivie's Haloscopes at 10 GHz (Ongoing experiments at LNL and LNF).



(K)FLASH Search for galactic axions with a Sikivie's Haloscope at 100 MHz (Design Study).



Development of wide band quantum amplifiers for multi-channel detector readout (Ongoing). SIMP (Single Microwave Photon detectors)

DART WARS (Detector Array Readout with Travelling Wave AmplifieRS)

Development of single-microwave photon detector (Ends 2021)

Superconducting Devices

Oub-IT Quantum Sensing with superconducting qubits (Started 2022).



Supergalax FET H2020 Project SC-qubits array photon-detector for axion experiments

ub-IT

SMARA



SQMS USA DOE Project Superconducting Quantum Materials and Systems

SC materials for cavities





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INRiM, Italian Metrology Institute

FBK, Fondazione Bruno Kessler



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FLASH FINUDA MAGNET FOR LIGHT AXION SEARCH

GALACTIC AXION SEARCH AT 100 MHZ (0.4-1.1 MEV)

FLASH - PREPARATION FOR THE TEST OF THE FINUDA MAGNET

- The FINUDA Superconducting Solenoid was shut down in 2007. Since then, it wasn't switched on again and it must now be tested for operation before considering it for the FLASH experiment.
- Some work needs to be done in order to cool and energize the magnet again:
 - I. modification and reconnection of the transfer line between FINUDA and the cryogenic plant
 - 2. maintenance and restarting of the cryogenic plant (stopped since 2018)
 - 3. revamping of the control system of the FINUDA cryogenics
 - 4. replacement of the FINUDA/cryogenic plant safety valves
 - 5. check of the magnet Power Supply operation
 - 6. check for the ancillary systems operation
 - 7. check for the operation of the closing system of the magnet iron-endcaps
 - 8. check and update of the safety procedures

Modification and Reconnection of the Transfer Line Between FINUDA and the Cryogenic Plant

FINUDA was supplied with liquid/gaseous Helium from the cryogenic Valve Box using a cryogenic transfer line which was dimensioned to reach the FINUDA position in the 2nd DAFNE interaction region. Now it is moved about 5 meter far from there, so the TL must be dismounted, prolonged and remounted to reach the new placement.

- I. Two companies will do the work: the first one will dismount and remount the line; the second will modify it.
- 2. We are making the order and we expect to finish the work before the DA Φ NE restarting (Jan or Feb 2023)



Maintenance and Restarting of the Cryogenic Plant

- The DAFNE cryogenic plant is based on a LINDE TCF50 Helium refrigerator/liquefier. It kept cold the SC magnets during the KLOE and FINUDA runs. It was stopped in 2018
- We restarted the PLC, but it losts its memory due to a backup-battery fault, so we must reload the software before checking the hardware (already done by an external company in the past).
- Warning: we need about 300 m³ of Helium to cool FINUDA, but on the next months a global Helium shortage is foreseen
- Test of cryo plant foreseen on Feb 2023







Revamping of the Control System of the FINUDA Cryogenics

- The control system of the FINUDA cryogenics is based on an old hardware for valve control, which has been checked for operation and found no more reliable.
- The control system is a Labview 5based program running on a Windows-2000 NI PXI
- We are planning to revamp all this system with a new control hardware/software, replacing the hardware PIDs and 4-20 mA controls with a new Labview-based program and DACs.
- We are discussing the involvement of LNF experts in these days. Timing to be understood yet.



Check of the Operation of the Magnet Power Supply

- The FINUDA magnet Power Supply has been preliminary checked and it seems all is working correctly.
- An internal battery pack must be replaced, we're going to buy a new one.
- Connection with the water cooling system was dismounted and must be remounted. Some solutions have been proposed to do it.



Check of the Closing System of the Magnet Iron-Endcaps

We planned the operations to check for the operation of the endcaps hanling.
They have been indicated in a Gantt diagram and will be done in the next weeks





The connection between the FINUDA cryogenic valves and the compressed air system has been restored The safety valves of FINUDA and Cryogenic Plant have been dismounted and we asked for an offer for their replacement

The magnet's Quench Detector must be checked for functioning.

Preparing FLASH CDR



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Article **FLASH**

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1. Introduction

2. Brief review on axion cosmology

The "invisible" QCD axion [1,2] is a light Goldstone boson arising within the solution to the strong CP problem proposed by Peccei and Quinn [3,4], and a possible dark matter candidate [5–7]. In the standard cosmological scenario, refined cosmological simulations yield a narrow range in which the QCD axion would be the CDM particle, with • an axion mass in the range $m_A \approx (10 - 100) \,\mu\text{eV}$, as recently proven by refined cosmological simulations [8–13]. Along with the QCD axion, a set of particles which share the same phenomenology would arise from string compactification and form the so-called "axiverse" [14–16]. These possibilities have been proven interesting for a number of experiments that are planned to explored the parameter space of the QCD axion and other axion-like particles away from the preferred region [17–19], as discussed in depth in various





QUAX-LNF



First Run of LNF Haloscope



| Frequency | 8.5 GHz |
|----------------|---------|
| Volume | 0.14 L |
| Q ₀ | 100,000 |
| В | 9 T |
| Tcavity | 20 mK |

Leiden Cryogenics CF-CS110-1000









First Run of LNF Haloscope

Problems during cooldown:

- We operated with HEMT at 5.5 K and 50K plate at 70K.
- Operated with lower B field (2.5 instead of 9 T)
- Higher cavity temperature than expected (150 instead of 10mK)
- Pick up noise due to bad grounding (solved)

$$g^{KSVZ} = 1.35 \times 10^{-14}$$
 @m_a=35 µeV

| Gagg 90% cl | T _{noise} | Q | B(T) |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|------|
| 3.3×10 ⁻¹³ (2h) | 8 K (HEMT) | 100,000 Cu Cavity | 2.5 |
| 6.6×10 ⁻¹⁴ | 3 K (HEMT) | 100,000 Cu Cavity | 9 |
| 2.5×10 ⁻¹⁴ | SQL (JPA) | 100,000 Cu Cavity | 9 |
| 1.6×10 ⁻¹⁴ | SQL (JPA) | 250,000 SC Cavity | 9 |

Ih data taking

PT TEMPERATURE DRIFT ON COLD LAB CF-CS110 CRYOSTAT



SRP-182B2S Cold Head Capacity Map (50 Hz)

With F-100 Compressor and 20 m (66 ft.) Helium Gas Lines



- Ist stage T rise from 50 to 70 K in 3 weeks
- 25W of extra heat input on the 50K stage
- 2nd stage follows the 1st one (4 to 5 K)
- cause not yet clear

Second Pulse Tube Arrival and Mounting on the 10 mK Cryostat

- A 1.5 W Pulse Tube refrigerator was procured and is currently being assembled on the COLD Lab cryostat with dilution refrigerator
- It is identycal to the one already mounted (Sumitomo SRP-182B2S) and will work as a booster for the cooling capacity at 4 K and 50 K
- This update will overcome the problem in the SC magnet supply above 5 T







SUPERCONDUCTIVE CAVITY: NB₃SN

Fabrication in progress at FNAL









QUANTUM LIMITED AMPLIFIERS



Parametric Amplification



Phase

- Parametric amplification is obtained by modifying the parameters of an oscillating system.
- In electrical circuits is obtained by modulating capacitances or inductors with "pump" currents.

Amplitude

 In lossless superconducting circuits parametric amplification allows to reach the noise at the quantum limit.





First result on a Josephson Parametric Amplifier based on single junction



Noise reduced from 8K (HEMT) to about 1.3K





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Realization and test of a Flux JPA





Chip realized at FBK with submicrometric optical lithography and AI shadow evaporation technique.



Degenerate JPA Gain and Noise

7.45

7.44

7.43

[ZH2] 7.42 -

7.41 -

7.40 -

7.39

0.186



Theoretical expectation



Measured Gain

0.188

$$G_{JPA} = 15.5 \, \mathrm{dB}$$

5 MHz

0.192

0.194

0.190

DC flux [phi0]

Measured Noise

$$T_n^{JPA} = \frac{P_n}{k_B \,\Delta \nu \, (G5 + G_{JPA})} = \left(0.130 \pm_{0.049}^{0.075}\right) K$$

Expected quantum noise $\frac{1}{2} \frac{hv}{k_B}T=0.174 \text{ K}$

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SUMMARY



- Ongoing work for the operation of the FINUDA magnet in 2023
- FLASH CDR under writing with sensitivity to HFGW
- First Run with Quax-LNF haloscope done in July 2022
- 2^{nd} pulse tube now installed (\rightarrow 9T)
- First Flux JPA fabricated (\rightarrow SQL noise)
- Nb₃Sn cavity in fabrication at FNAL (\rightarrow higher Q₀)