



# Introduction to Cryogenic Engineering

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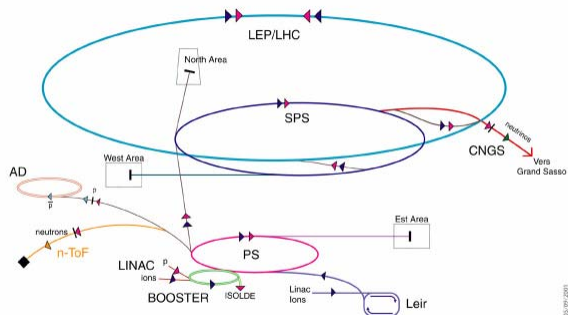
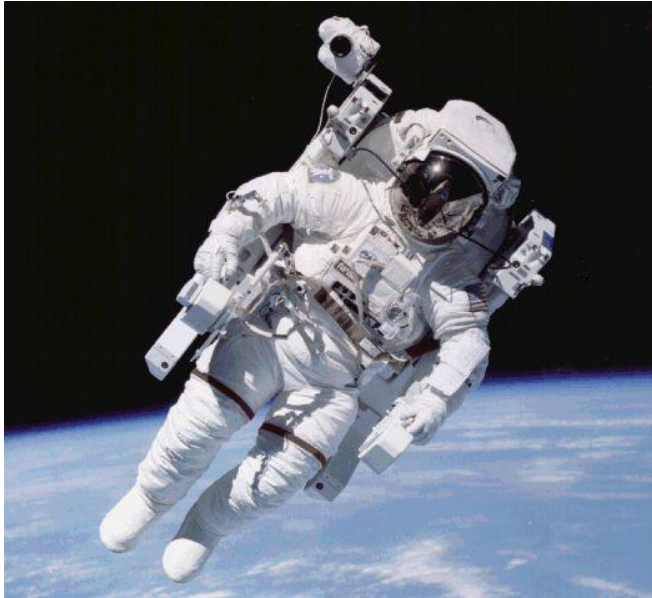
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# Day 1



# What is cryogenics?



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# History



## Time of I. Newton



I. Newton  
1642 - 1727

- F. Bacon (1561 - 1621)



### **Novum organum (1620)**

The third of the seven modes [...] relates to [...] **heat and cold**. And herein man's power is clearly **lame on one side**. For we have the heat of fire which is infinitely more potent and intense than the heat of the sun as it reaches us, or the warmth of animals.

**But we have no cold** save such as is to be got in wintertime, or in caverns, or by application of snow and ice, [...]

And so too all natural condensations caused by cold should be investigated, in order that, their causes being known, **they may be imitated by art**.



## Time of I. Newton



I. Newton  
1642 - 1727

- Known refrigeration methods
  - refrigeration by a colder object  
e.g. ice or snow
  - refrigeration by evaporation
  - refrigeration by dissolving saltpeter in water  
(saltpeter = sodium nitrate  $\text{NaNO}_3$  or potassium nitrate  $\text{KNO}_3$ )

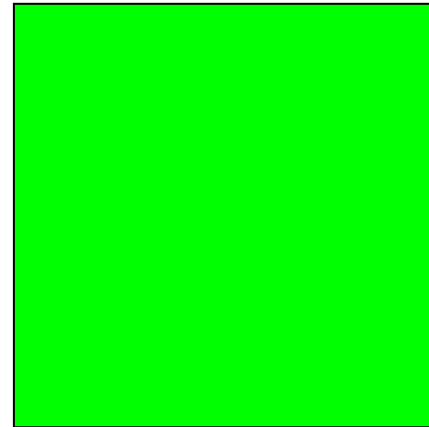


## Time of I. Newton



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- R. Boyle (1627 - 1691); E. Mariotte (1620 - 1684)



$$p V = \text{constant}$$



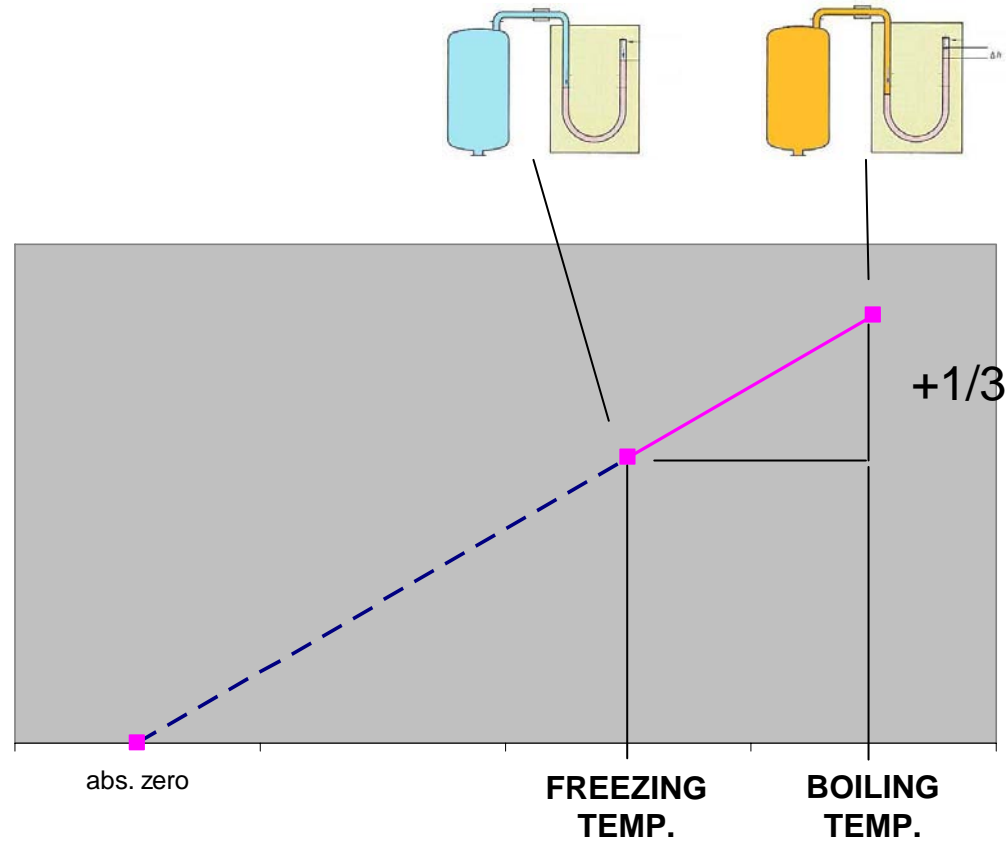


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- G. Amontons (1663 - 1705)





## Further development of thermodynamics

- J. Black (1728 - 1799)      latent heat
- A. Lavoisier (1743 - 1794)      caloric theory
- S. Carnot (1824)      work
- R. Clausius (1865)      entropy
- W. Gibbs (1867); R. Mollier (1923)      enthalpy



# Incentives for refrigeration and cryogenics

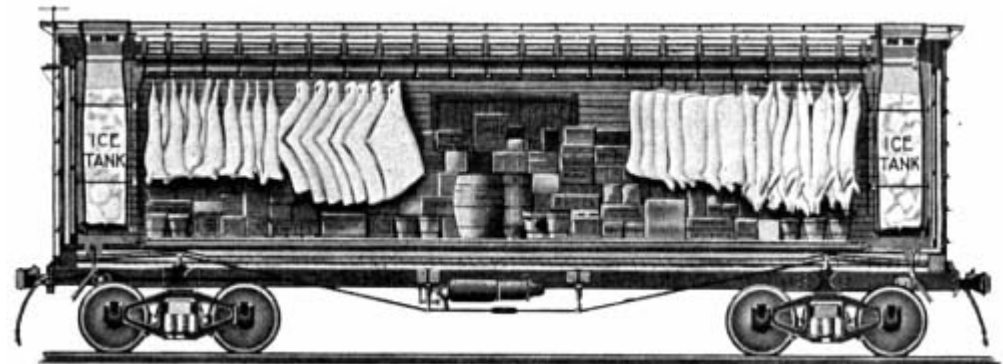
- Early 19th century
  - large scale refrigeration only by natural ice
  - increasing demand for artificial refrigeration by
    - the butchers,
    - the brewers and later on
    - the industrialists



ice harvesting



ice storage cave in Bliesdahlheim

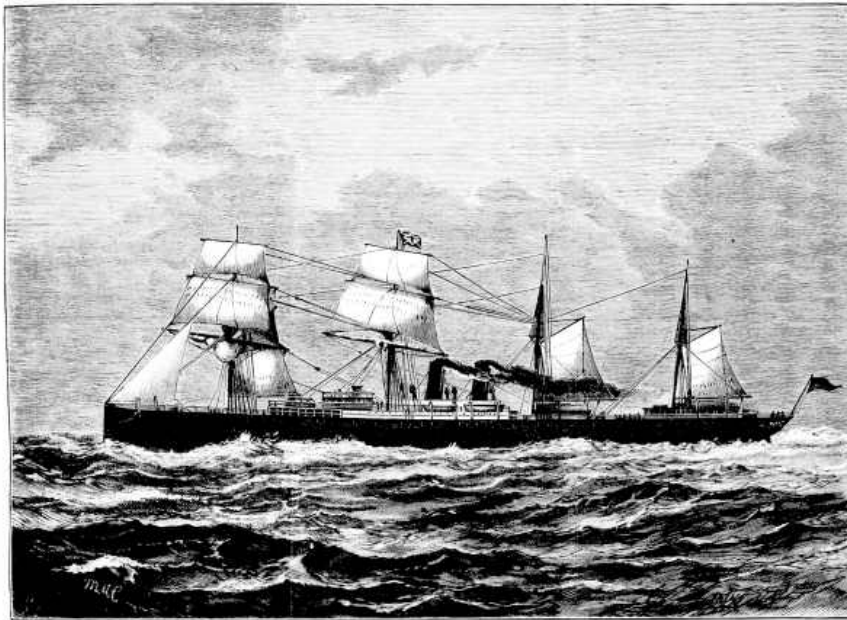


refrigerated railroad car



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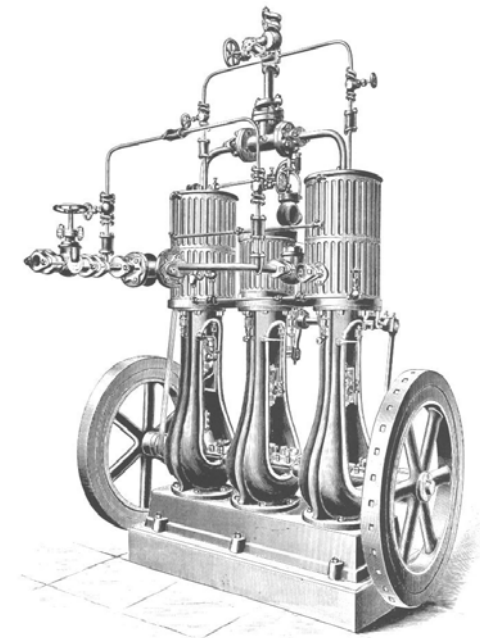
- Examples of first commercial refrigeration applications



THE ORIENT COMPANY'S NEW STEAMSHIP ORIENT.

S.S. Strathleven, equipped with Bell&Coleman air-cycle refrigerator. First meat cargo transported from Australia to London 6.12.1879 - 2.2.1880.

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No. 0. 2 TO 3 TON ICE MACHINE.

Standard ammonia cycle ice machine from York's 1892 catalogue.

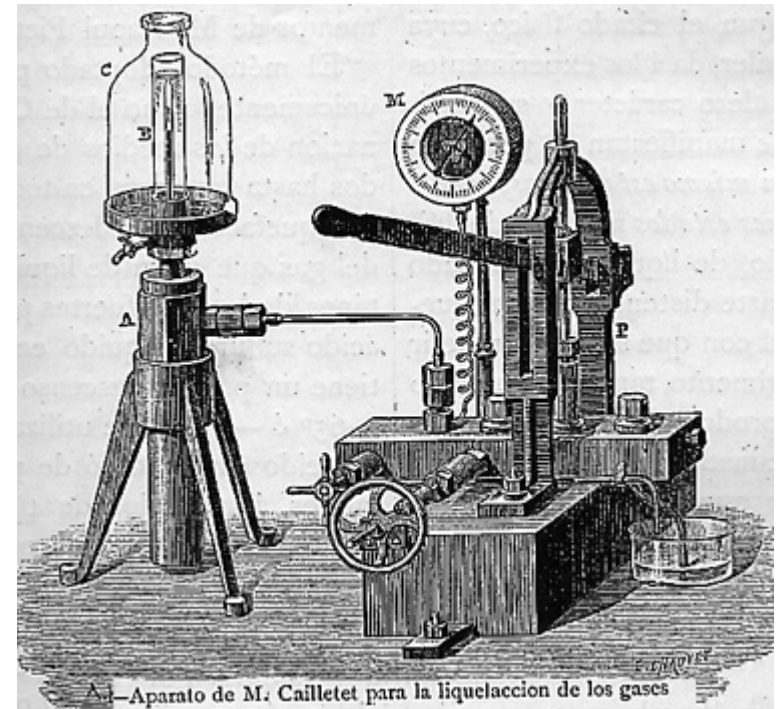


# Braking the cryo-barrier I



L.P. Cailletet  
1832 - 1913

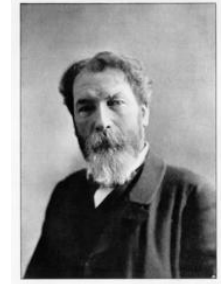
- The successful liquefaction of Oxygen was announced at the meeting of the Académie de Sciences in Paris on December 24th, 1877 independently by the physicist Louis Paul Cailletet from Paris and the professor Raoul Pictet from Geneva.
- Cailletet's apparatus
  - compression to 200 bar in a glass tube with a hand-operated jack, using water and mercury for pressure transmission
  - pre-cooling of the glass tube with liquid ethylene to  $-103^{\circ}\text{C}$
  - expansion to atmosphere via a valve







# Braking the cryo-barrier II



R. Pictet  
1832 - 1913

- Pictet's apparatus
  - production of oxygen under pressure in a retort
  - two pre-cooling refrigeration cycles:
    - first stage  $\text{SO}_2$  ( $-10^\circ\text{C}$ )
    - second stage  $\text{CO}_2$  ( $-78^\circ\text{C}$ )
  - oxygen flow is pre-cooled by the means of heat exchangers and expands to atmosphere via a hand valve

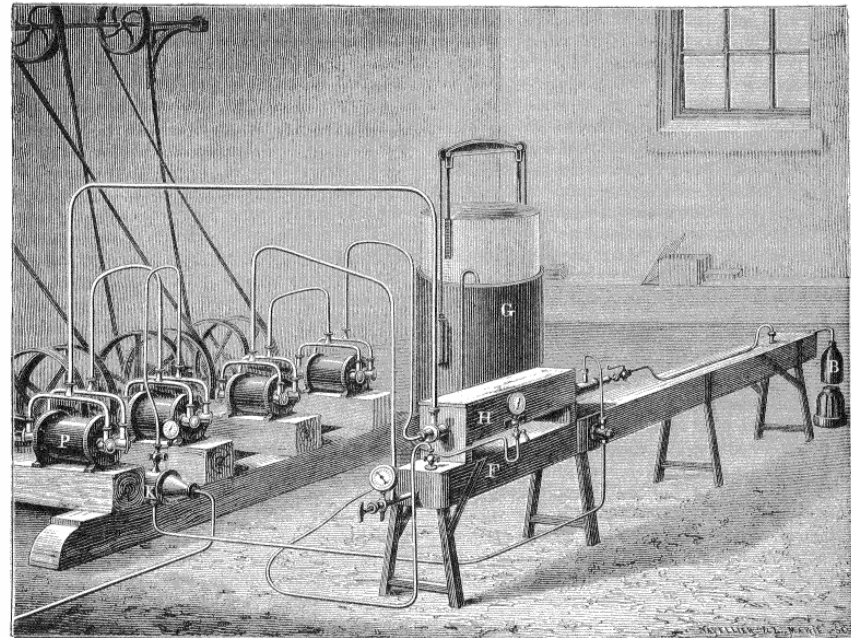


Fig. 1. — Grand appareil de M. Raoul Pictet pour la liquéfaction des gaz. (D'après une photographie.)



# Milestones in the history of cryogenic technology

- 1892 Dewar - use of silvering and vacuum in double walled glass vessel
- 1895 Linde and Hampson build air liquefiers with recuperative heat exchangers
- 1898 Dewar - liquefies hydrogen
- 1902 Claude - use of piston expander
- 1908 Kamerlingh Onnes - liquefies helium
- 1908 Becquerel - freezes seeds and single cells
- 1910 use of LOx in the production of steel
- 1911 discovery of superconductivity

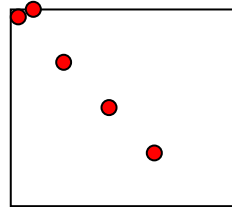


# Thermo- dynamics



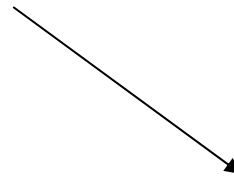
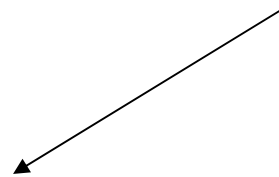
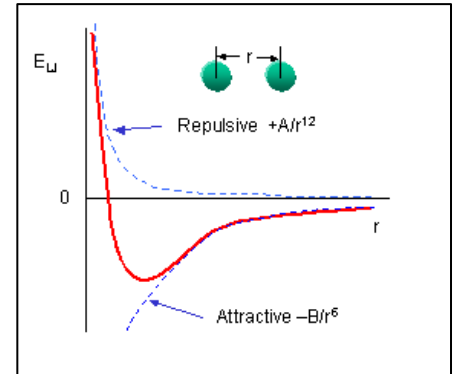
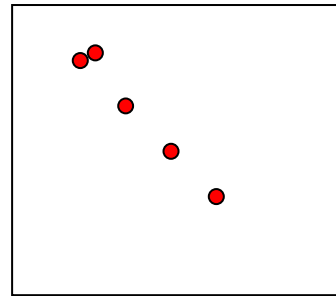


## The magic of throttling - physicist's explanation





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T ↗



repulsion  
dominates  
(Coulomb)



T →



ideal gas

Gay-Lussac

T ↘



attraction  
dominates  
(gravity)

Joule-Thompson



# Throttling - thermodynamist's explanation (and first law of thermodynamics)

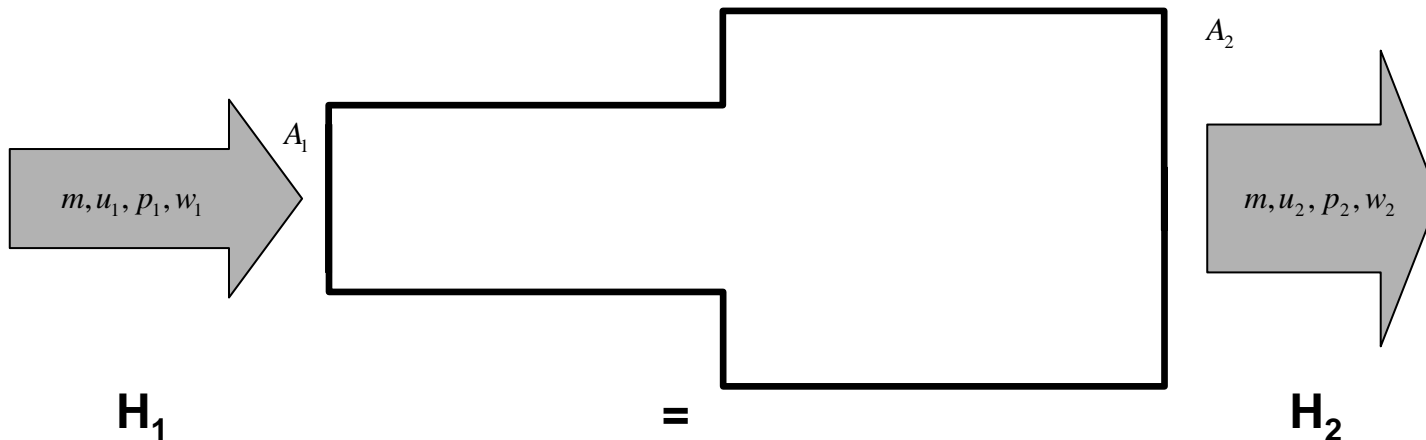
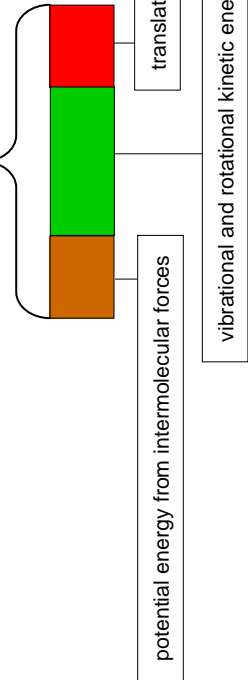
- energy conservation
- internal energy closed system
- energy content open system

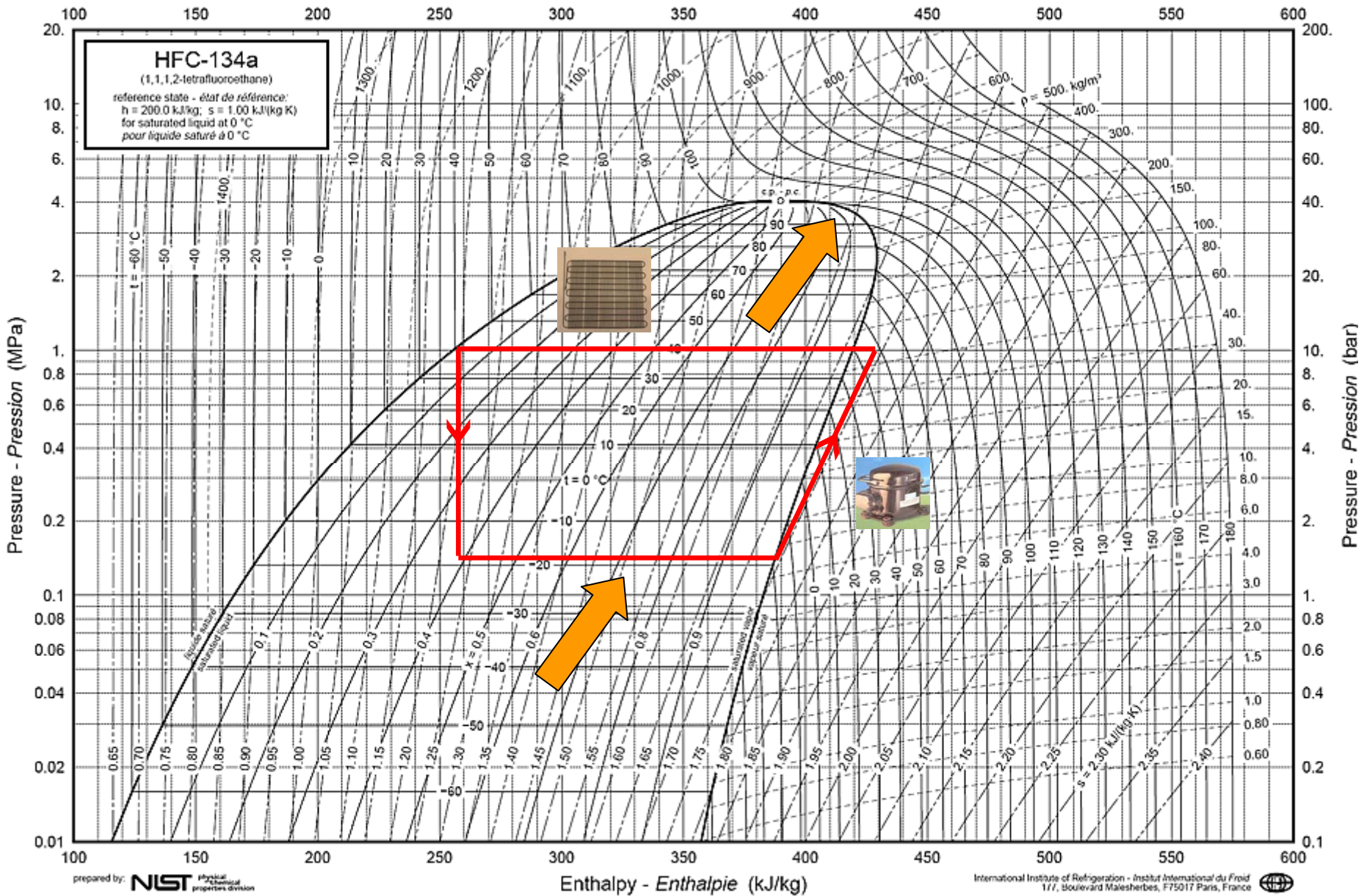
$$dQ + dW = dE = 0$$

$$E = U + E_{\text{kin}} + E_{\text{pot}}$$

$$E = U + pV + E_{\text{kin}} + E_{\text{pot}} = H$$

internal energy U





Household refrigerator cycle

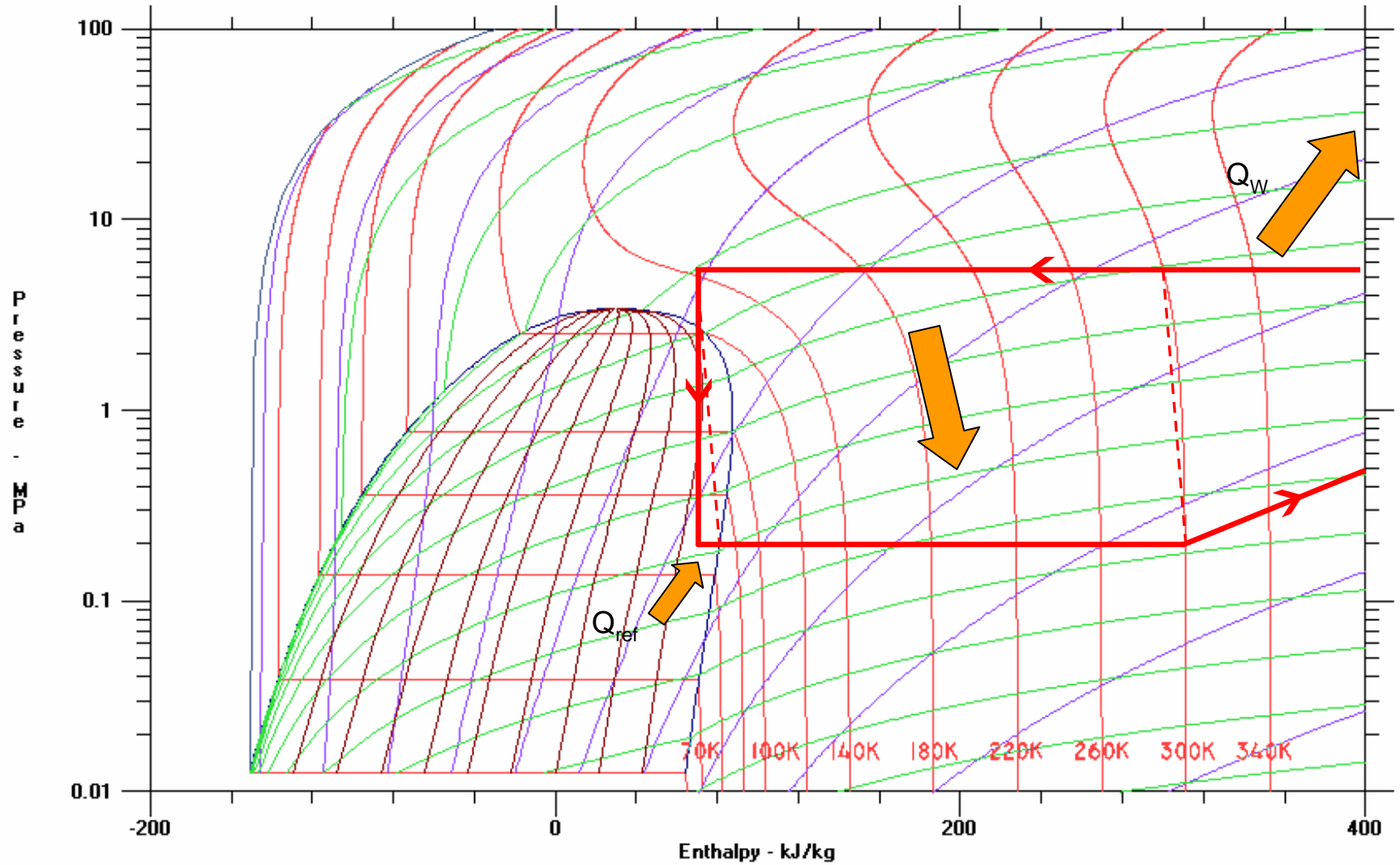
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Nitrogen

Linde/Hampson refrigeration cycle



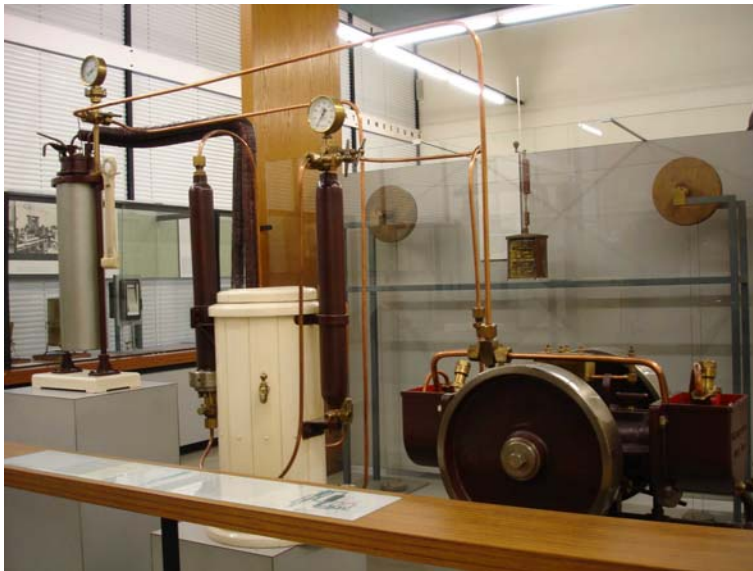


# Linde and Hampson

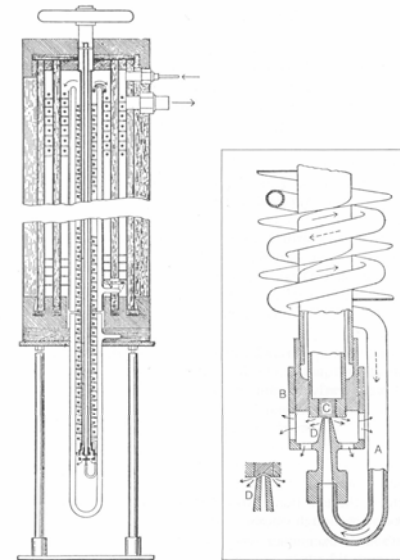


Linde liquefier

C. von Linde  
1842-1934



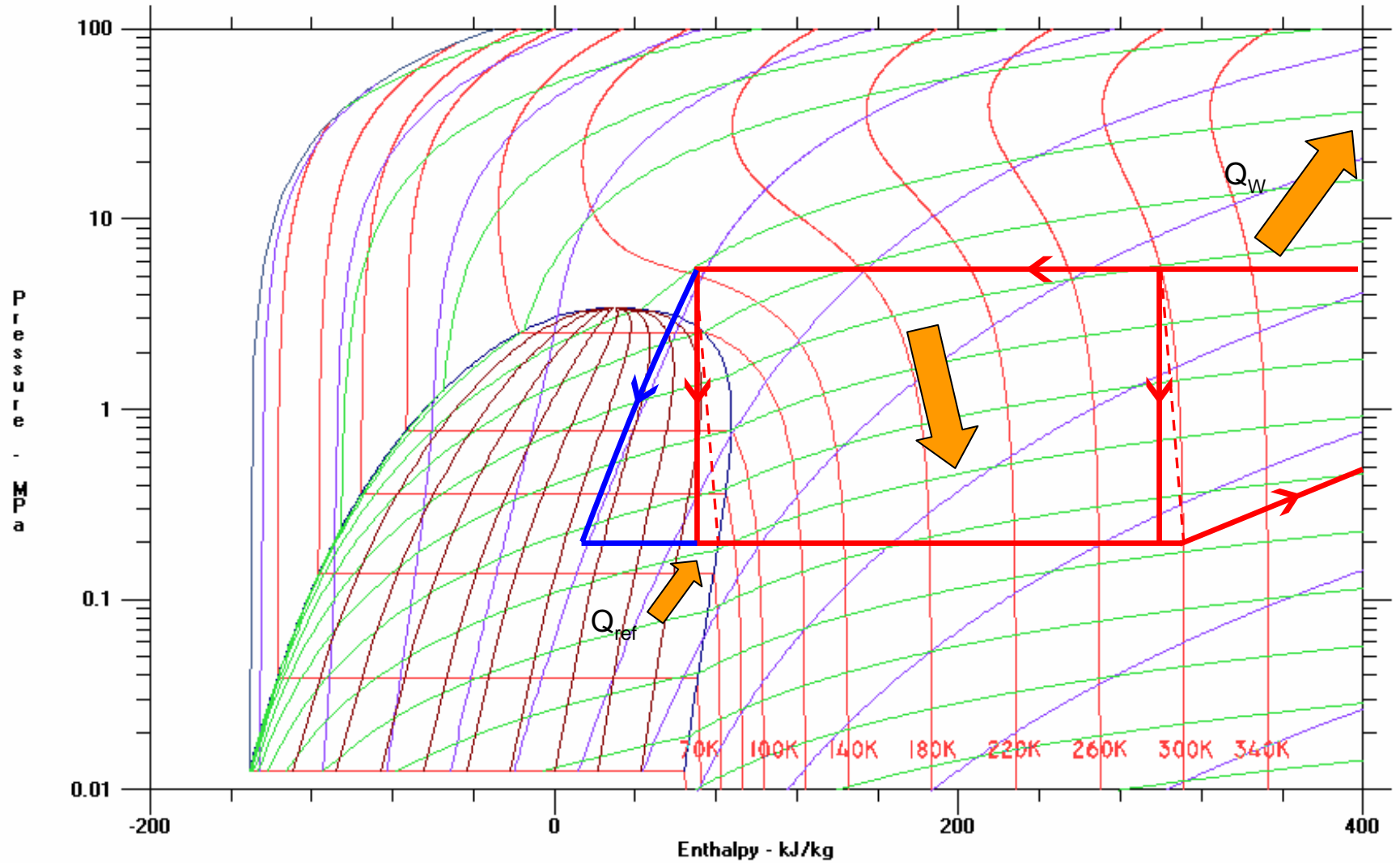
Hampson liquefier



Hampson's air liquefier 1895. The inset shows the coil (A) terminating in the jet piece (D) which delivers cold gas against a flat plug on the valve screw (C).

Nitrogen

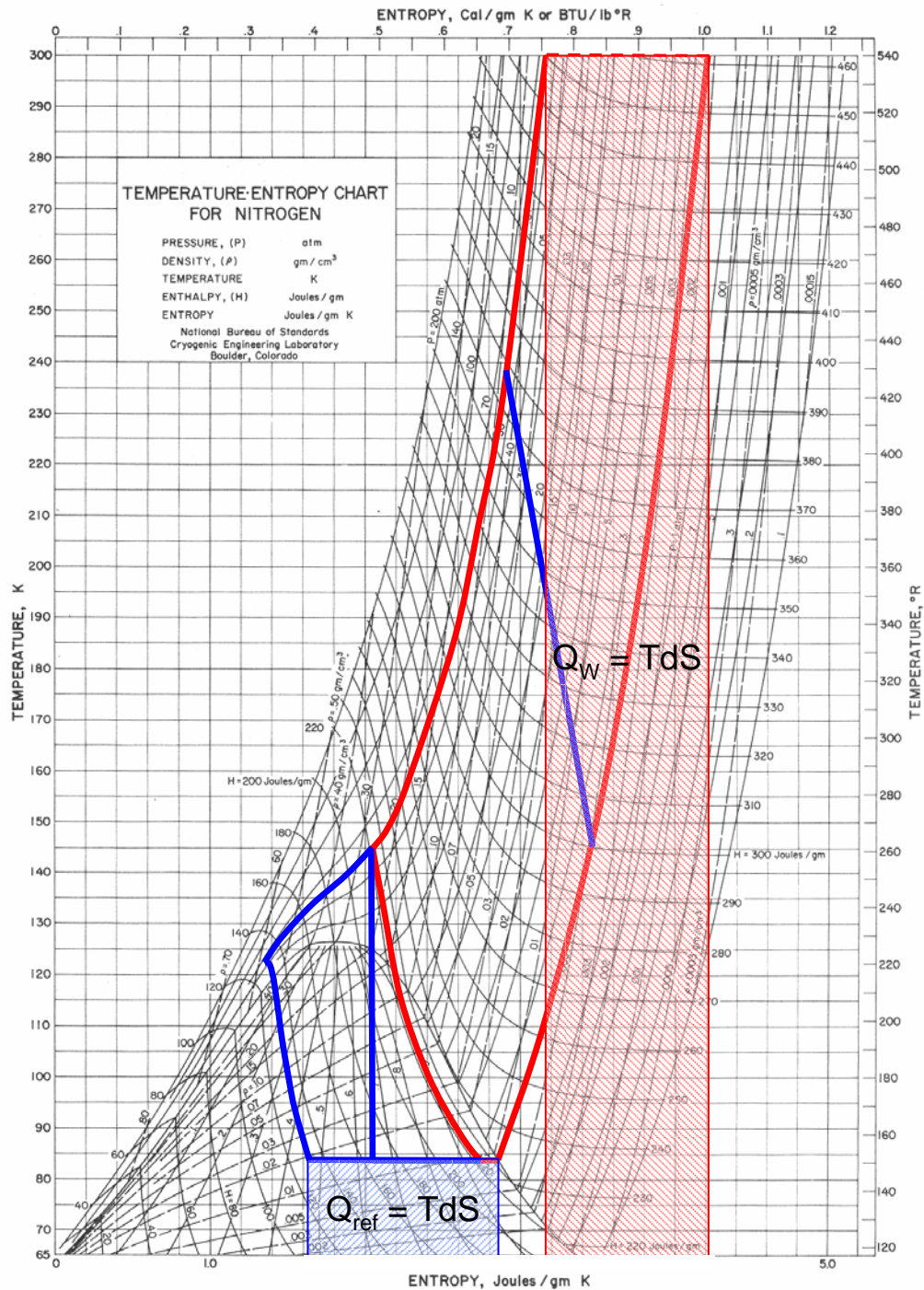
Linde/Hampson refrigeration cycle







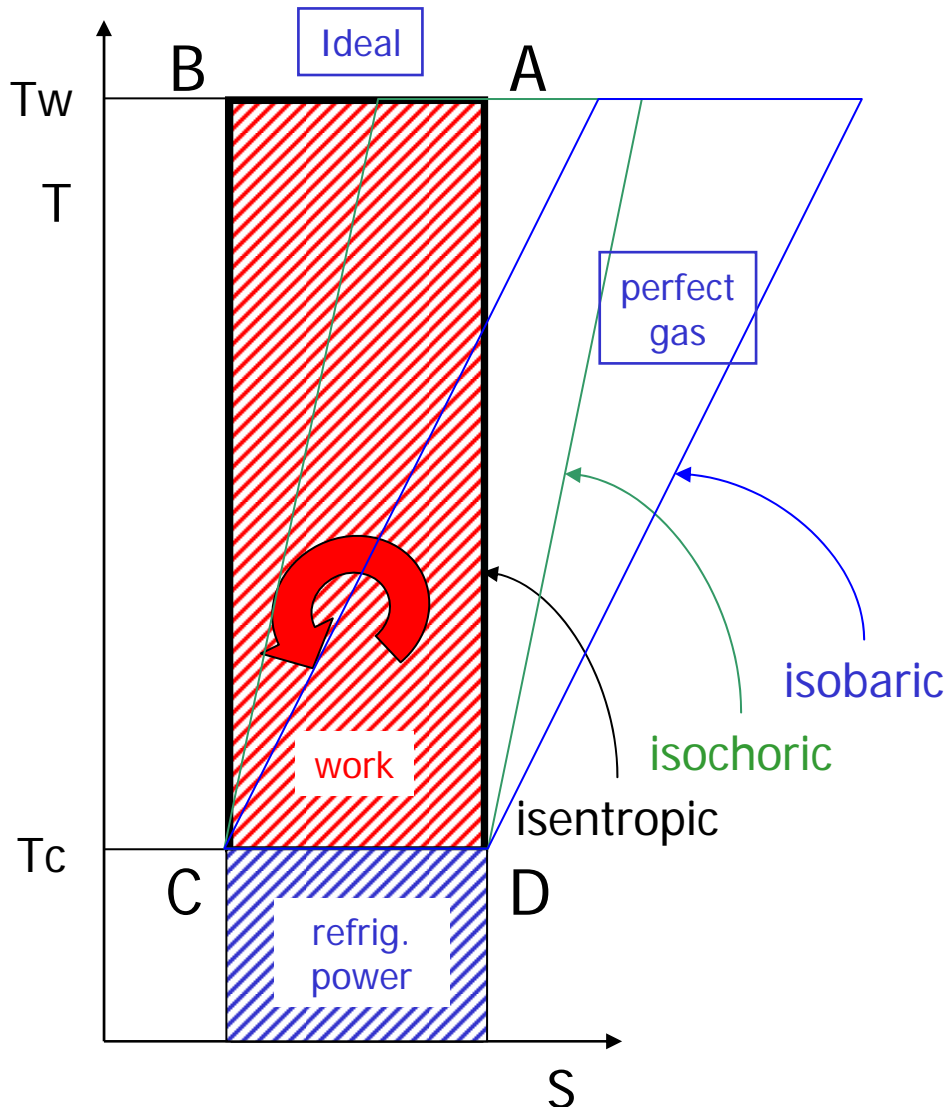
Claude refrigeration cycle







# Carnot cycle



- heat removed / heat introduced

$$Q_W = (S_A - S_B) * T_W \quad Q_{ref} = (S_D - S_C) * T_C$$

- energy conservation

$$Q_W = Q_{ref} + W \quad \text{and} \quad (S_A - S_B) = (S_D - S_C)$$

$$\Rightarrow W = (S_A - S_B) * (T_W - T_C)$$

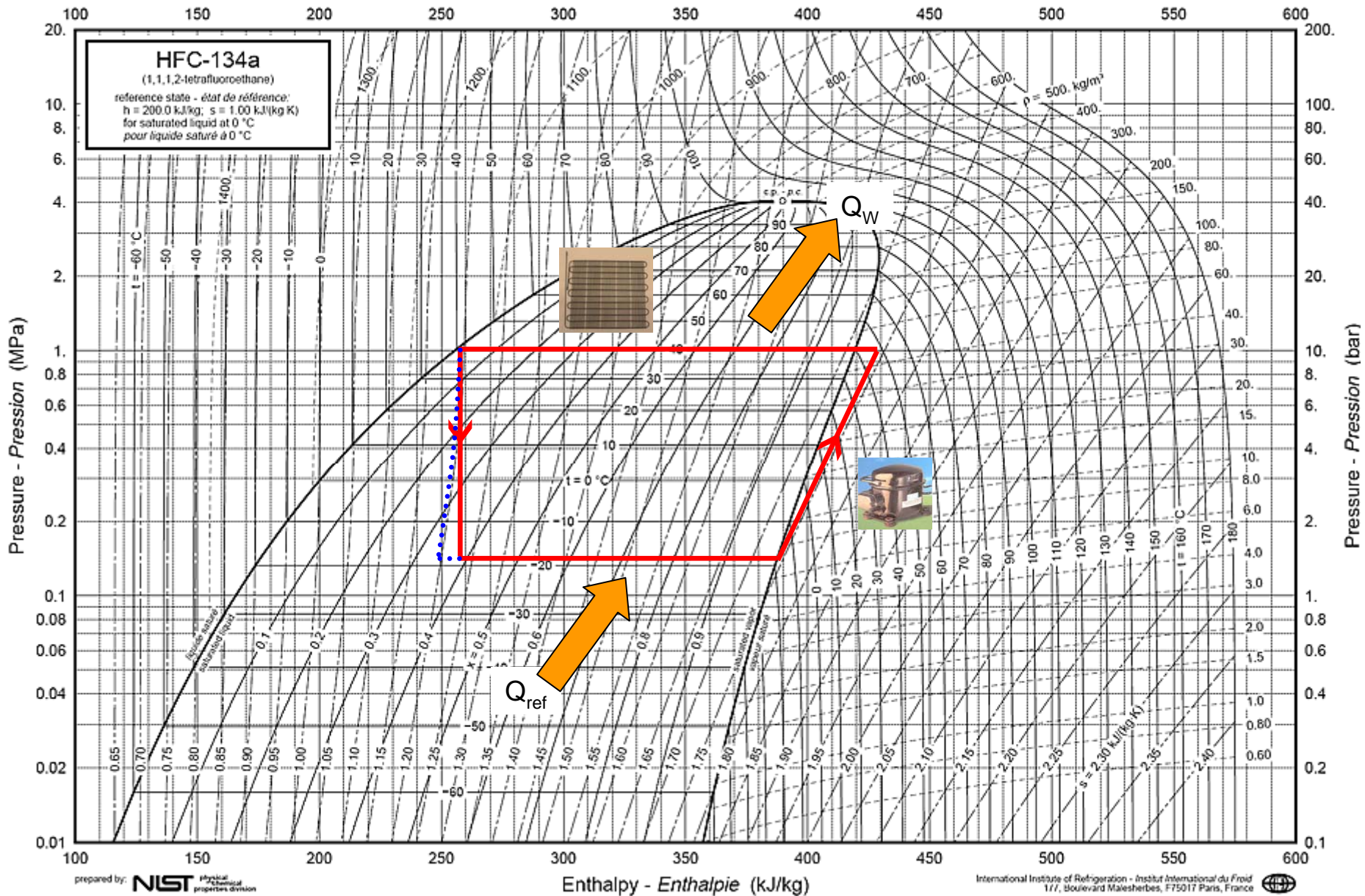
- coefficient of performance or efficiency (index i = ideal)

$$COP_i = \eta_i = Q_{ref} / W = T_C / (T_W - T_C)$$

$T_C$	80 K	20K	4K
$COP_i, \eta_i$	0.364	0.071	0.014

- figure of merit or thermodynamic (Carnot) efficiency

$$FOM = COP_{real} / COP_i = \eta_{th} = \eta_{real} / \eta_i$$



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no gain with expansion machine in household refrigerator



## Summary - refrigeration

**refrigeration can be achieved by**

- **contact with a colder surface**
- **throttling**
- **work extraction**

**refrigeration can reach lower temperatures by**

- **heat recovery**



# Cycles



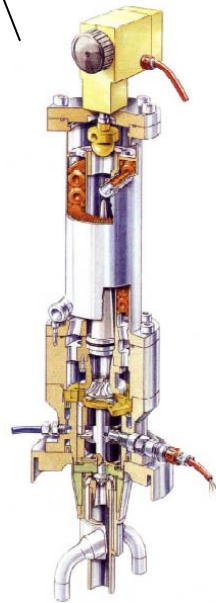
# Bricks to build a refrigerator

A - expansion device

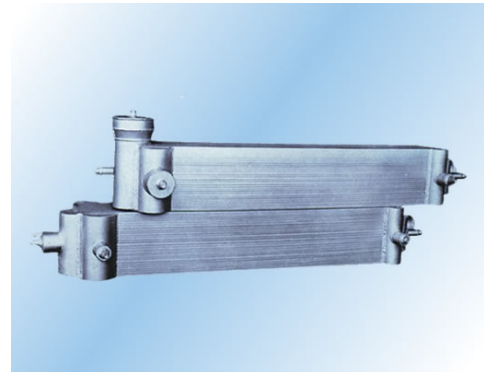
B - heat regeneration/recuperation



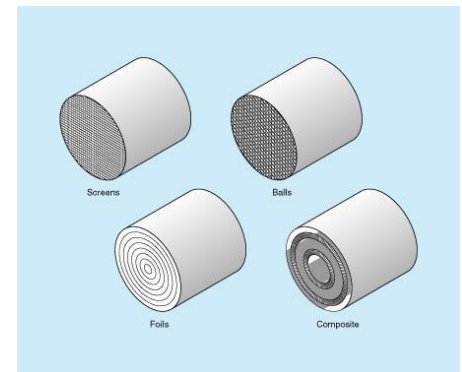
J-T valve



expansion machine



heat exchanger



regenerator



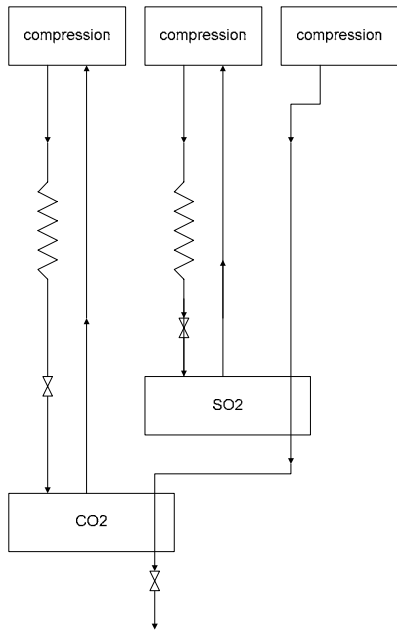
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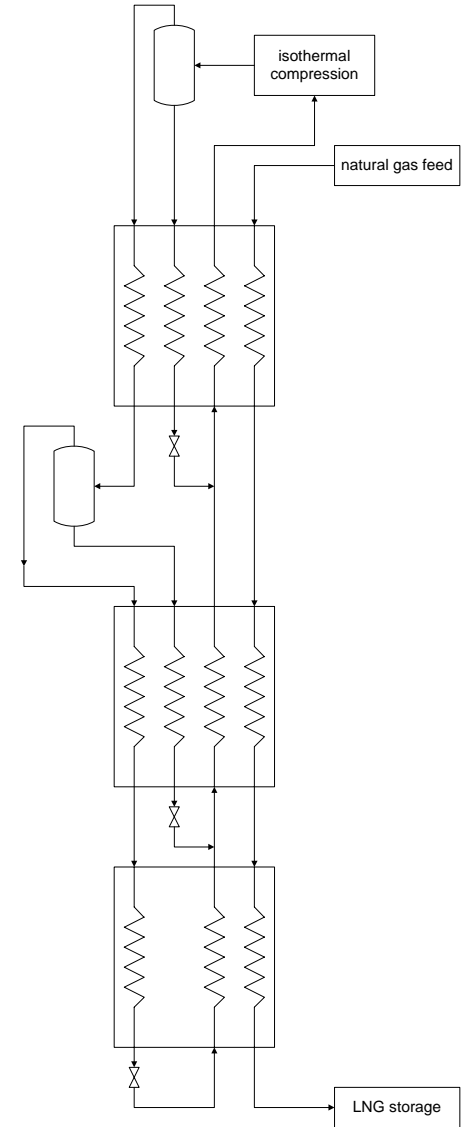
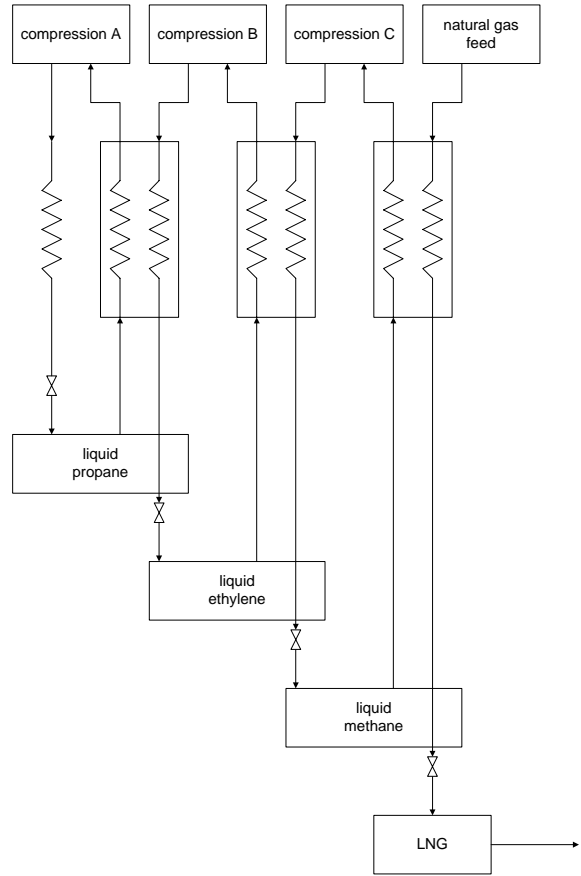


# Mixed refrigerant cascade (MRC) refrigerator (Klimenko)

## Pictet's cascade



## Cascade refrigerator





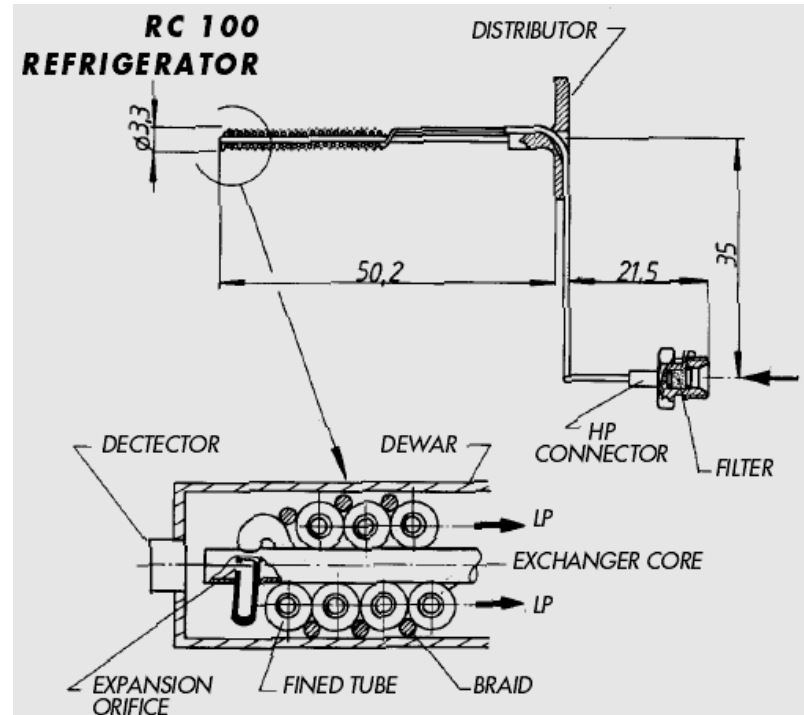
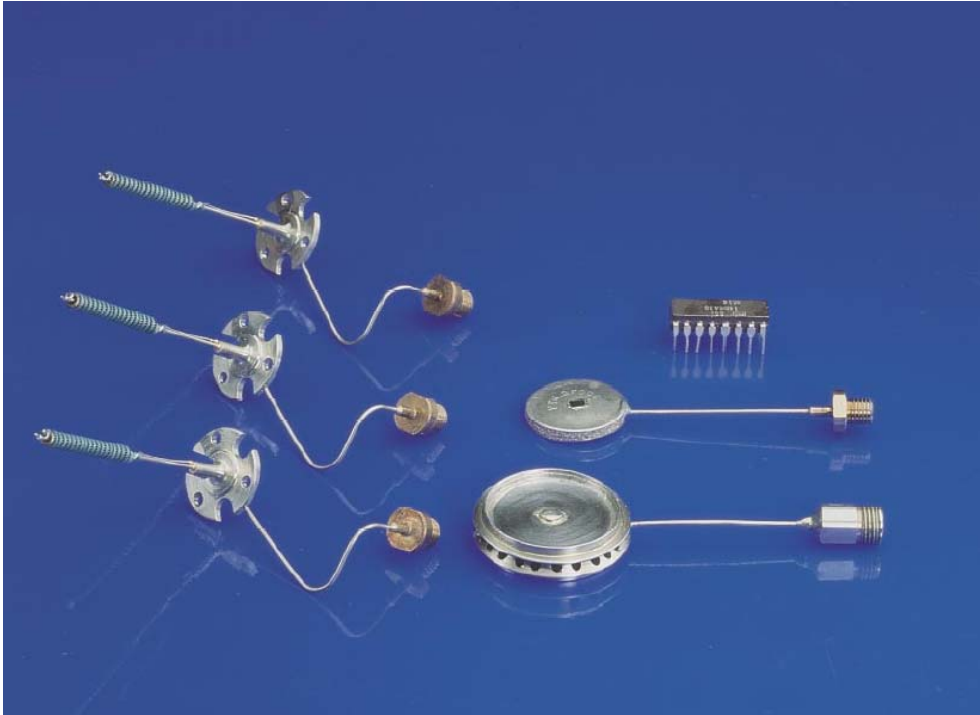
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# J-T cooler



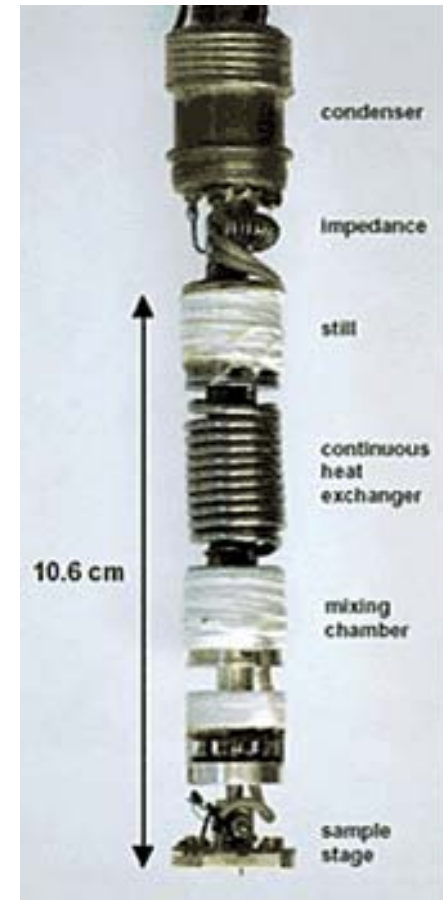
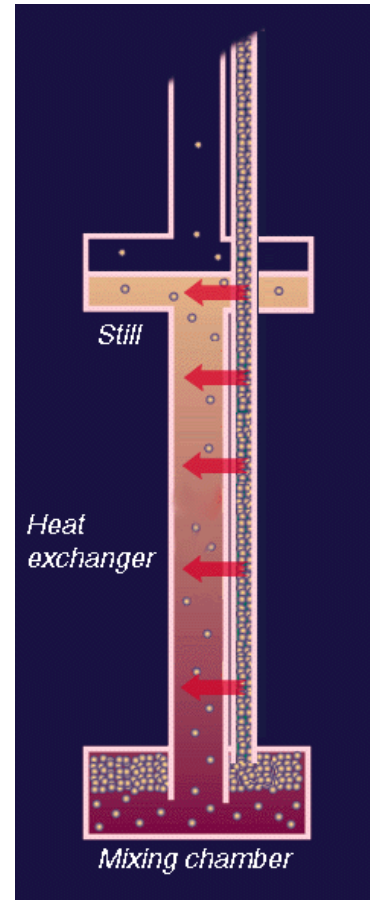
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# Dilution refrigerator



- principle
  - temperature reduction by dilution of He3 in a He4 bath
  - combined with a heat exchanger
- range
  - e.g. 15mK - 2K



By courtesy of Lot Oriel Group Europe



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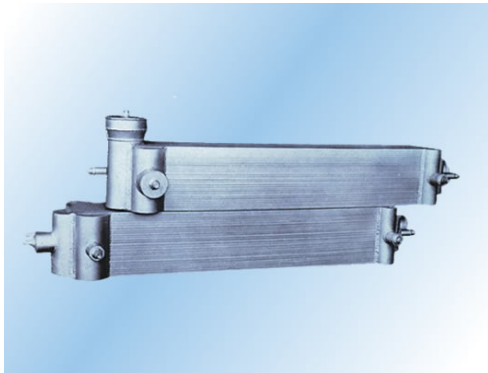
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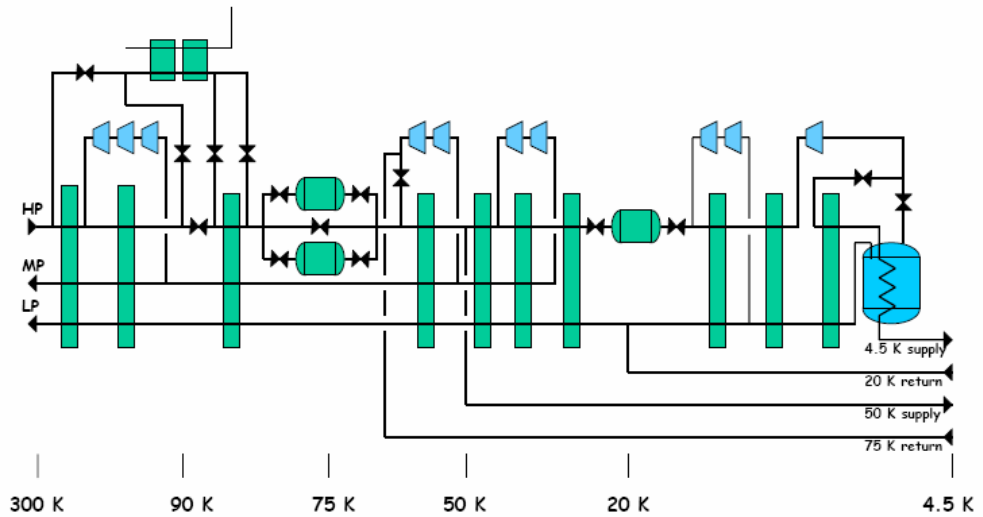
# Modified Claude cycle refrigerator



Linde refrigerator as used for the LHC



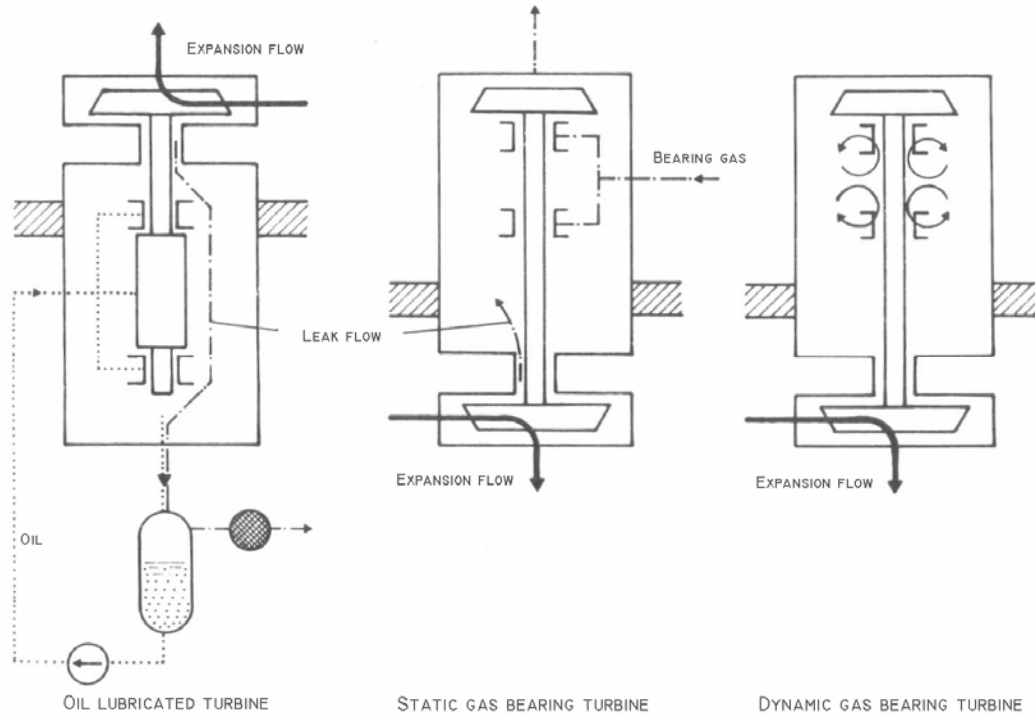
Aluminium fin plate heat exchanger



18kW at 4.4K



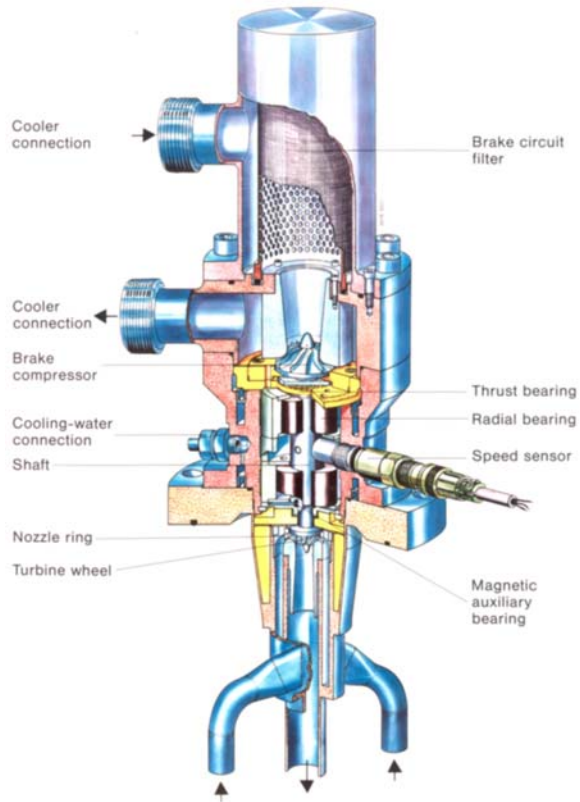
# Expansion machines





# Expansion machines

Cryogenic turboexpander  
Self-acting gas bearing system



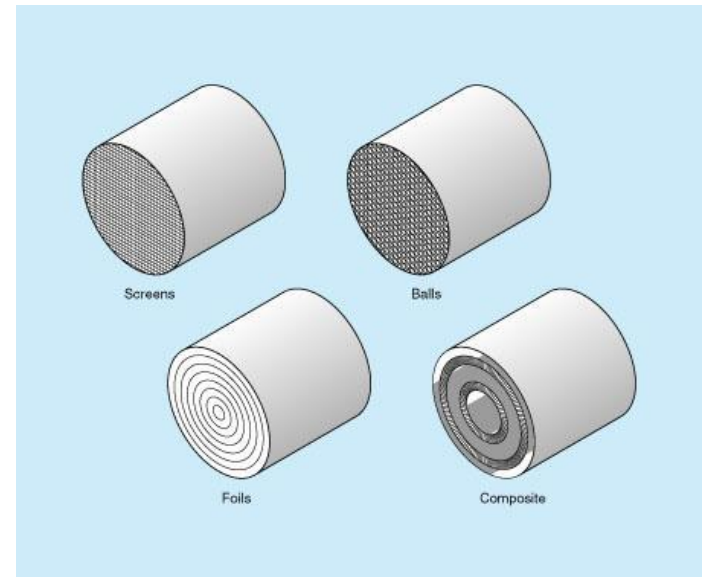
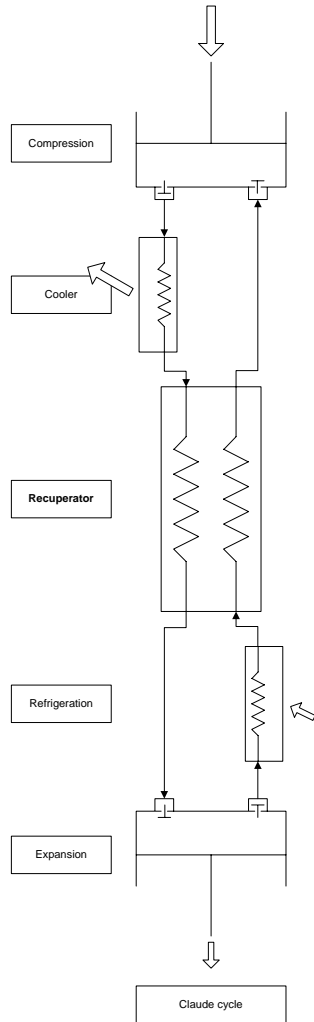


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# Principle of regenerator cycles



various types of regenerators

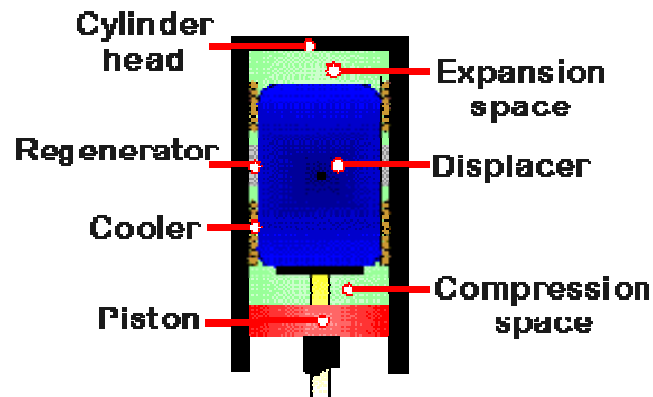




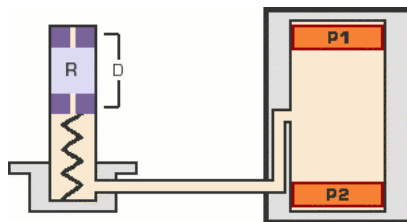
# Stirling cycle refrigerator

## Cycle

- 1 - Compression in warm end
- 2 - Displacement warm  $\rightarrow$  cold
- 3 - Expansion in cold end
- 4 - Displacement cold  $\rightarrow$  warm



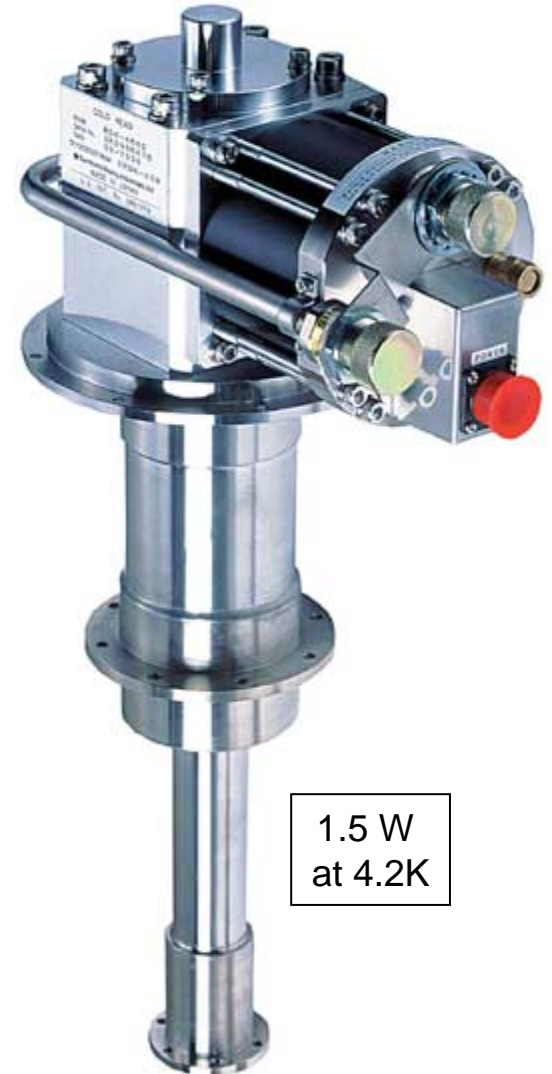
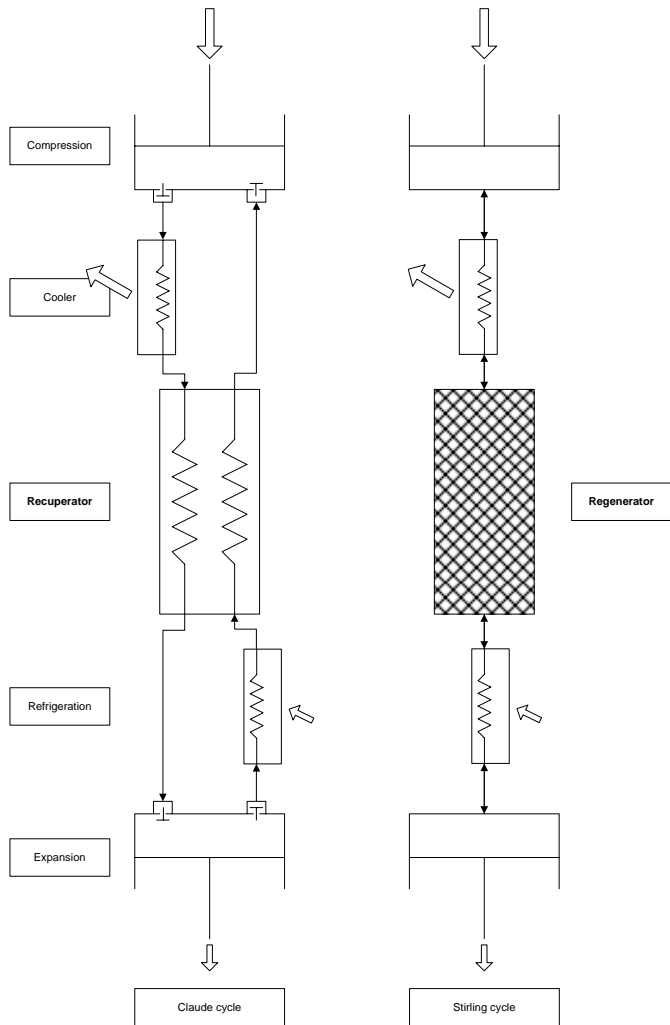
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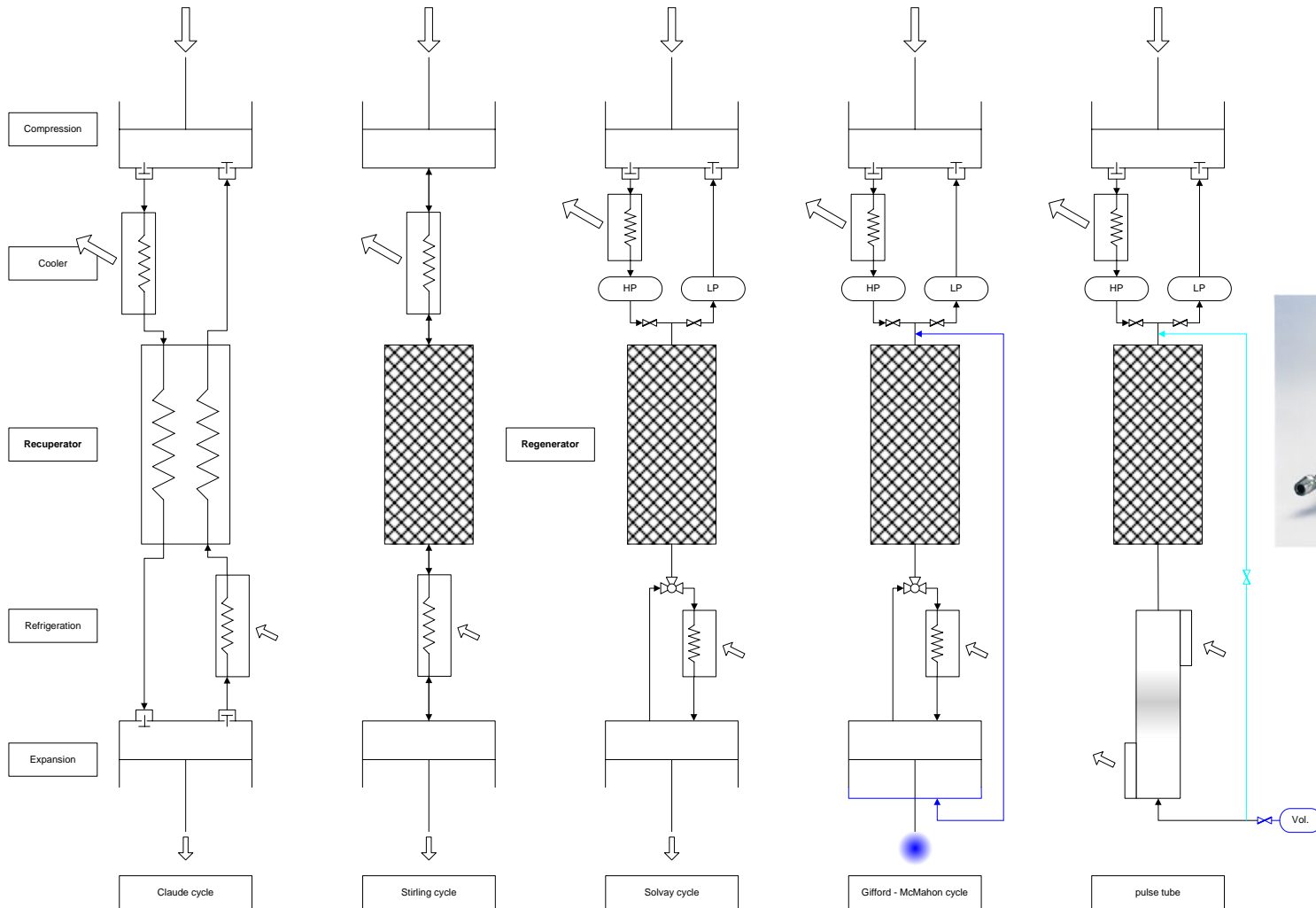
## Gifford - McMahon cycle refrigerator



1.5 W at 4.2K



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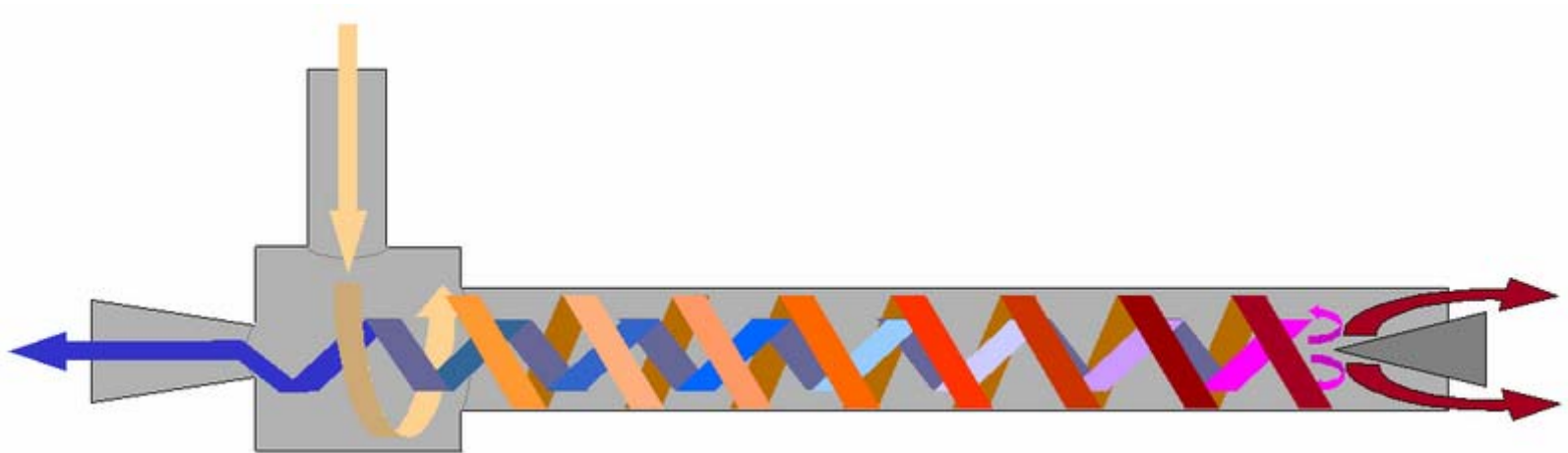


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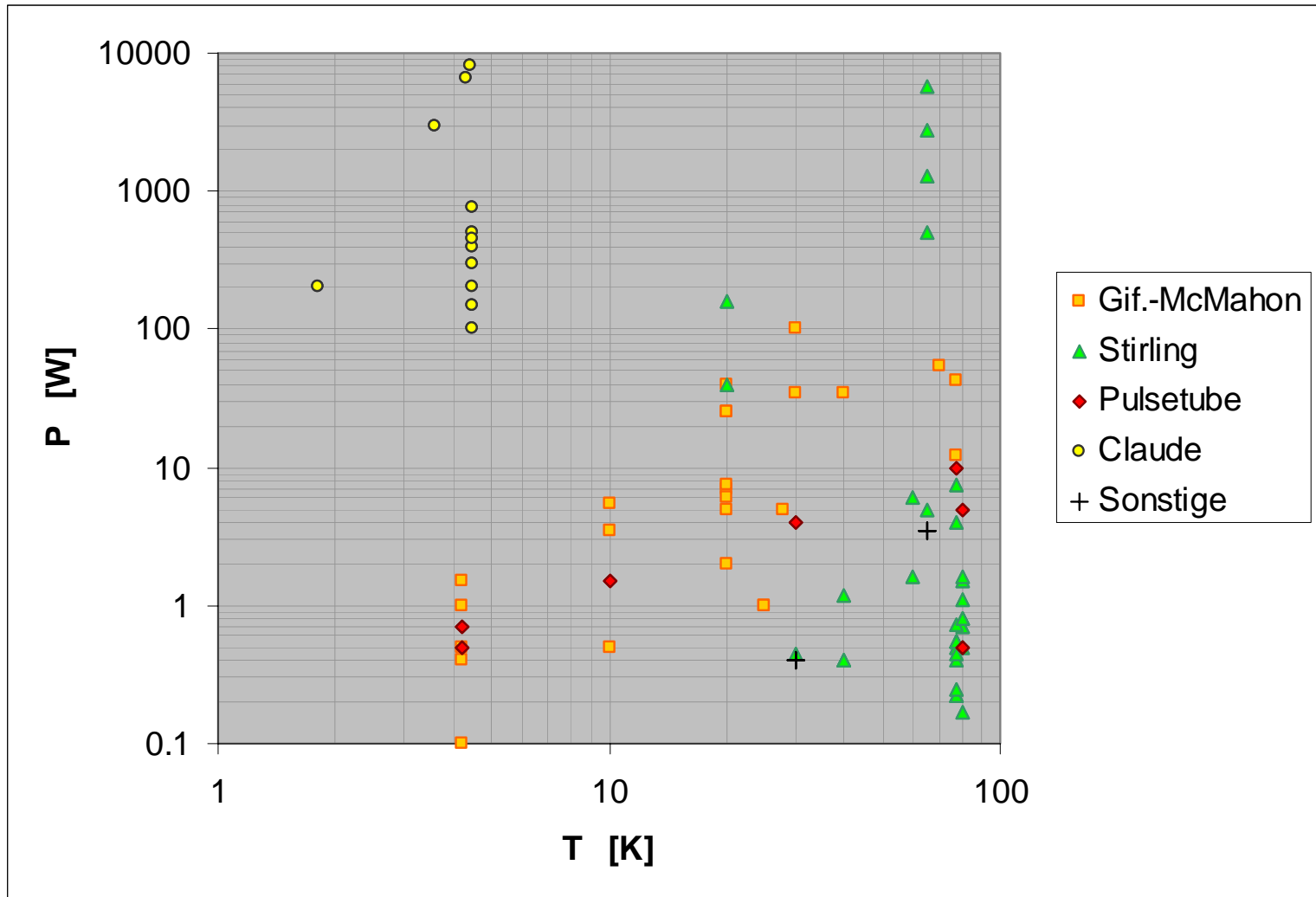
# Ranque Hilsch

- Vortex tube
  - a vortex is created by tangential injection
  - acceleration of molecules from external to internal vortex
  - friction between vortices → faster molecules of internal vortex work on slower molecules of external vortex



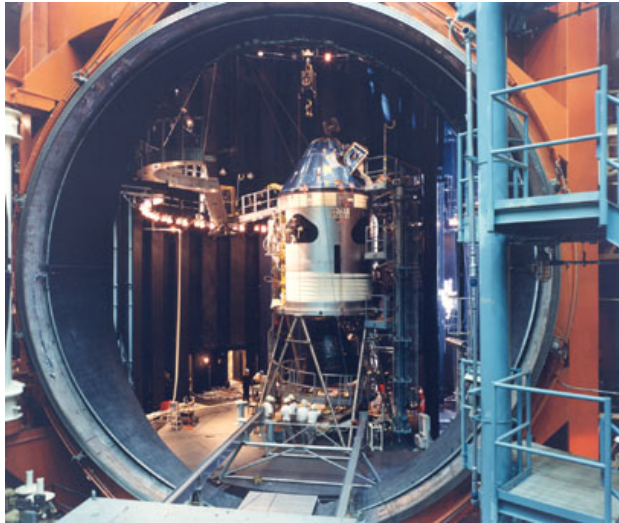


# Commercial refrigerators and cryocoolers

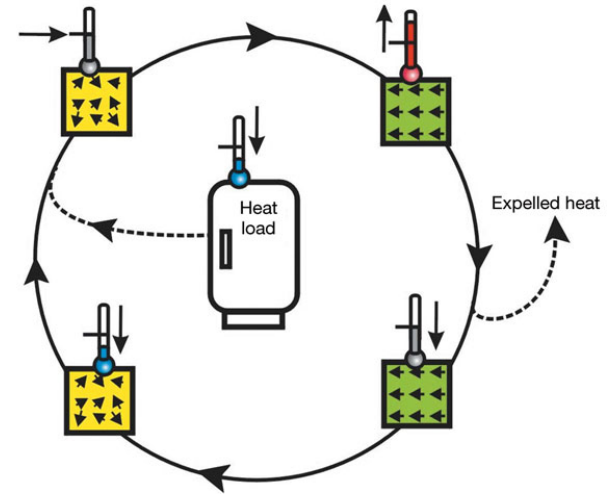




## Other refrigeration principles



radiation cooling  
space simulation chamber



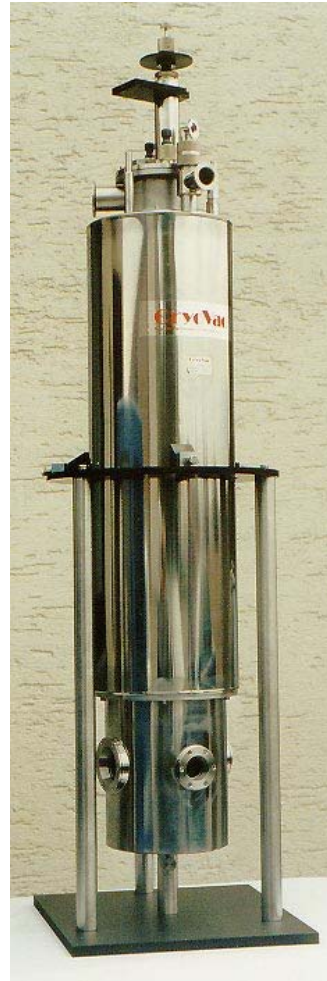
magnetic refrigeration



thermoelectric cooling - Peltier cooler



## Bath cryostat







# Day 2



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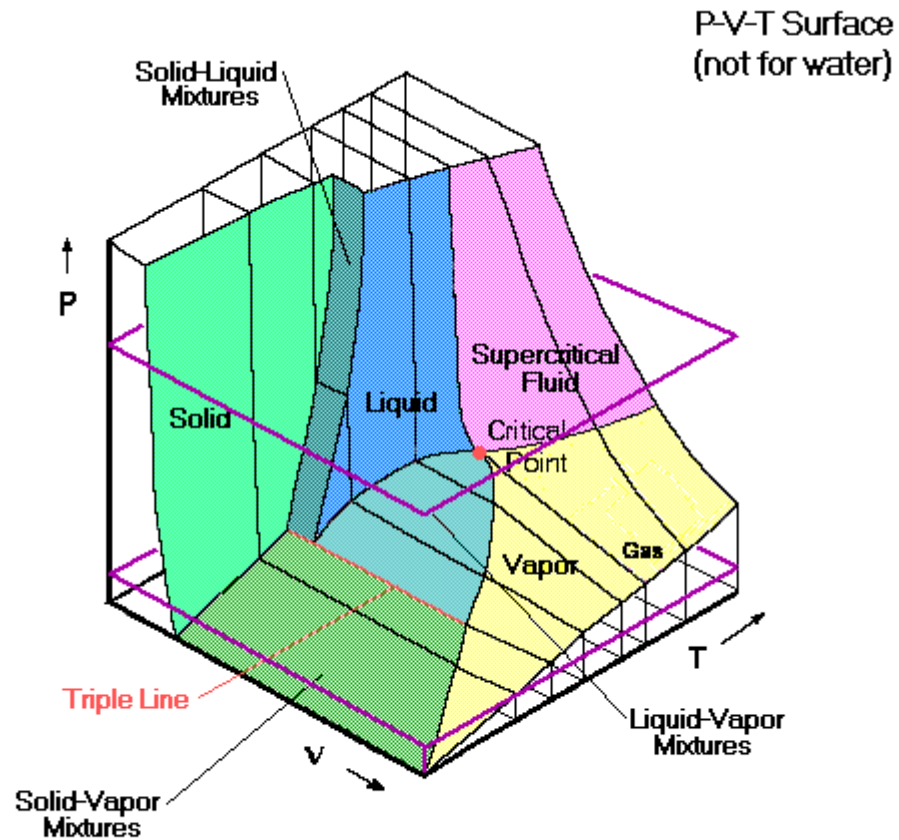
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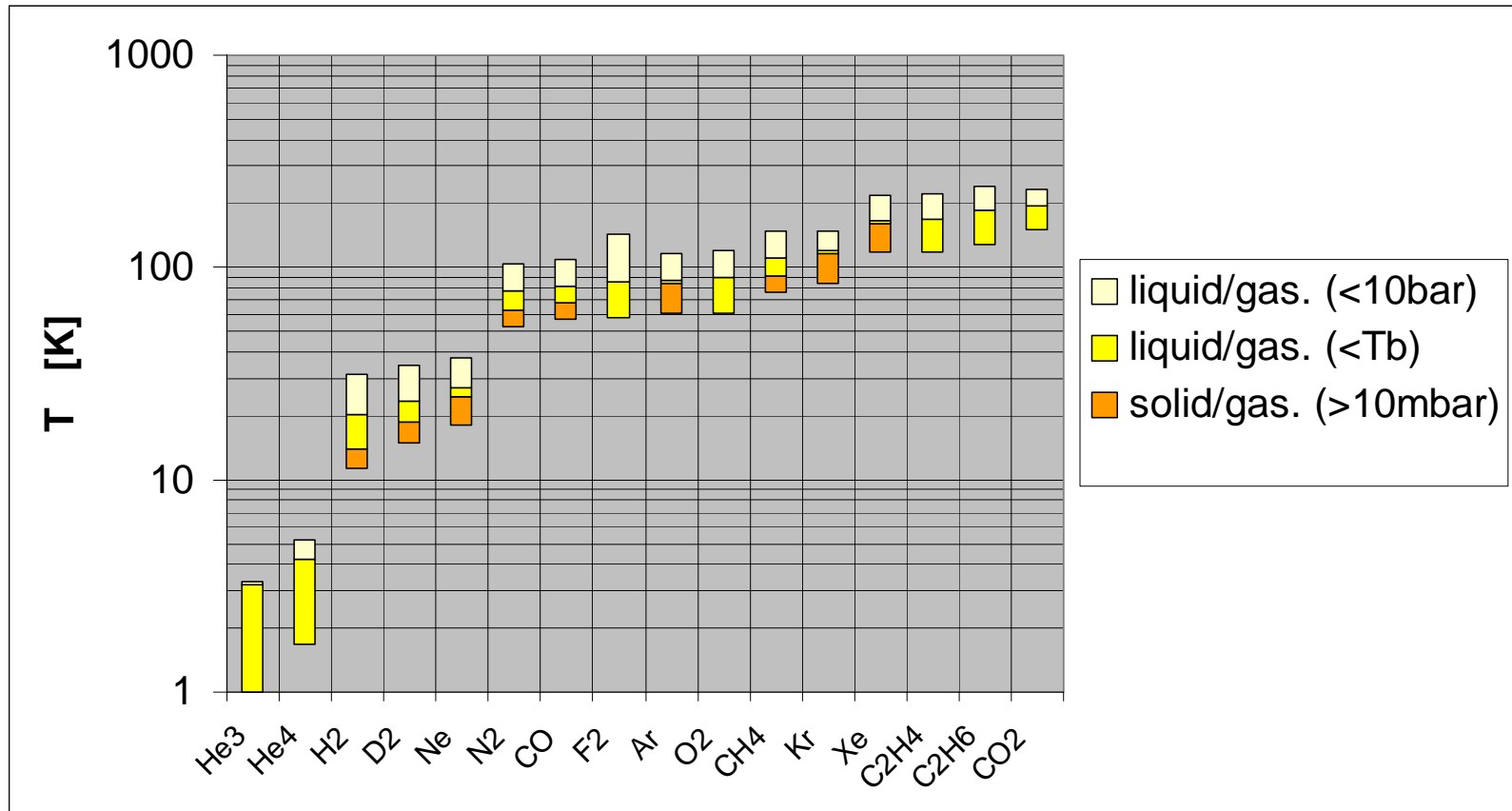


# Refrigerants - states





# Refrigerants - ranges





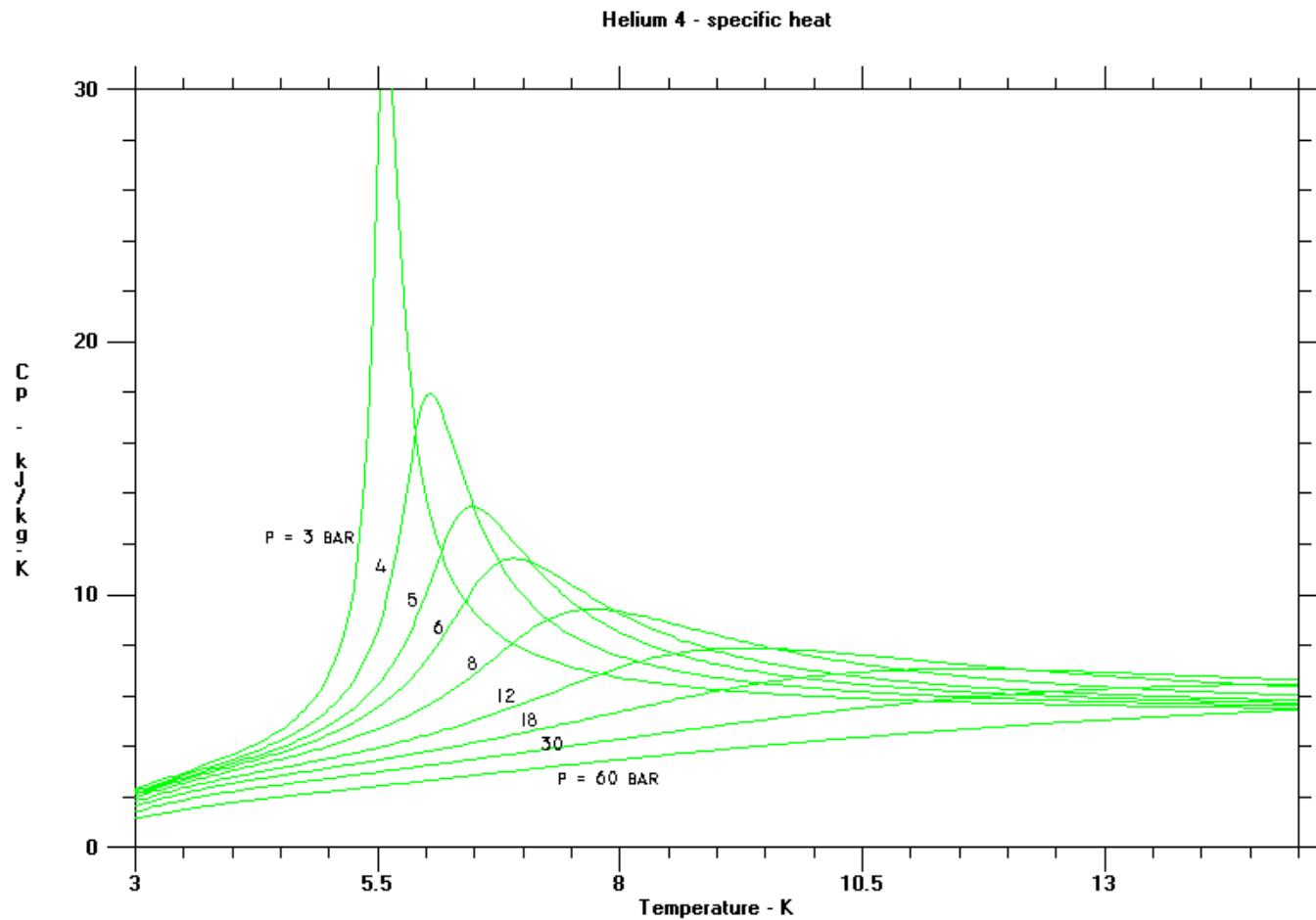
## Refrigerants - data

Refrigerant	He <sup>3</sup> Helium	He <sup>4</sup> Helium	H <sub>2</sub> Hydrogen	D <sub>2</sub> Deuterium	Ne Neon	N <sub>2</sub> Nitrogen	CO Carbon Monoxide	F <sub>2</sub> Fluorine
Temperatures [K]		liq						liq
2-phase equilibrium at 10 mbar	0.97	1.67	11.4	15	18.1	53	57	58
triple point			13.9	18.7	24.559	63.148	68.09	53.6
boiling point at 1.01325bar	3.19	4.22	20.3	23.6	27.097	77.313	81.624	85.24
2-phase equilibrium at 10 bar			31.36	34.7	37.531	103.641	108.959	
critical point	3.33	5.2	33.19	38.3	44.49	126.19	132.8	144.41

Refrigerant	Ar Argon	O <sub>2</sub> Oxygen	CH <sub>4</sub> Methane	Kr Krypton	Xe Xenon	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Ethylene	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> Ethane	CO <sub>2</sub> Carbon
Temperatures [K]		liq				liq	liq	
2-phase equilibrium at 10 mbar	60.7	61.3	76.1	84.3	117.3	117.6	127.8	151.2
triple point	83.82	54.361	90.67	115.94	161.36			
boiling point at 1.01325bar	87.281	90.191	111.685	119.765	165.038	169.242	184.548	194.65
2-phase equilibrium at 10 bar	116.55	119.623	149.198	149.198	218.612	221.25	241.9	233.038
critical point	150.66	154.58	190.56	109.43	289.73	282.35	305.33	



# Specific heat





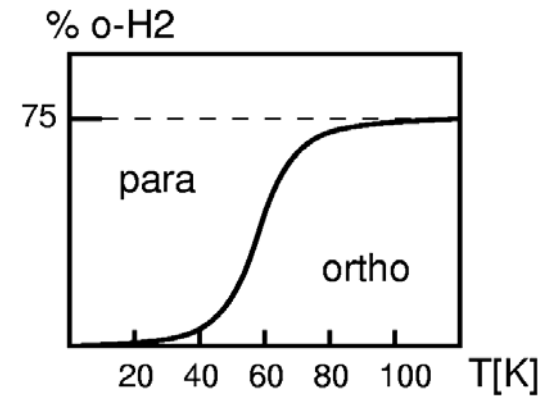
# Particularities of Hydrogen

- exists in two molecular spin states:  
orthohydrogen and parahydrogen
  - equilibrium depends on temperature
- |       |            |            |
|-------|------------|------------|
| 300K  | 75% ortho  | 25% para   |
| 20.4K | 0.2% ortho | 99.8% para |
- conversion is slow (days) and exotherm

$$Q_{\text{conv}} = -703 \text{ kJ/kg}_{\text{ortho}}$$

or  $527 \text{ kJ/kg}_{\text{n-H}_2} >$  evaporation enthalpy of  $447 \text{ kJ/kg}$

- specific heat and thermal conductivity of ortho- and parahydrogen are significantly different
- forms slush







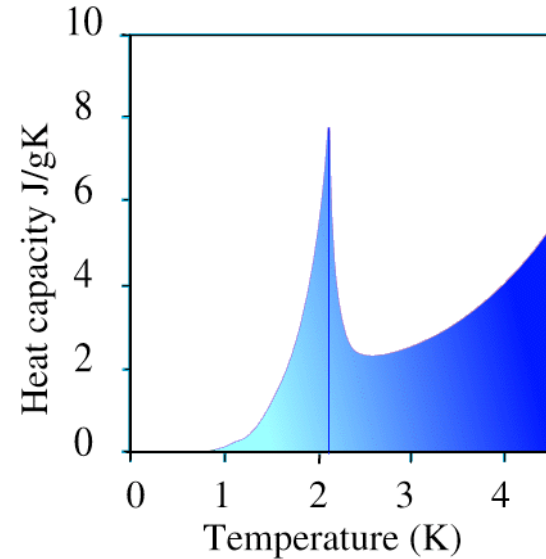
## Particularities of Helium

- transition to a superfluid phase below the  $\lambda$ -point (2.17K)

effects:

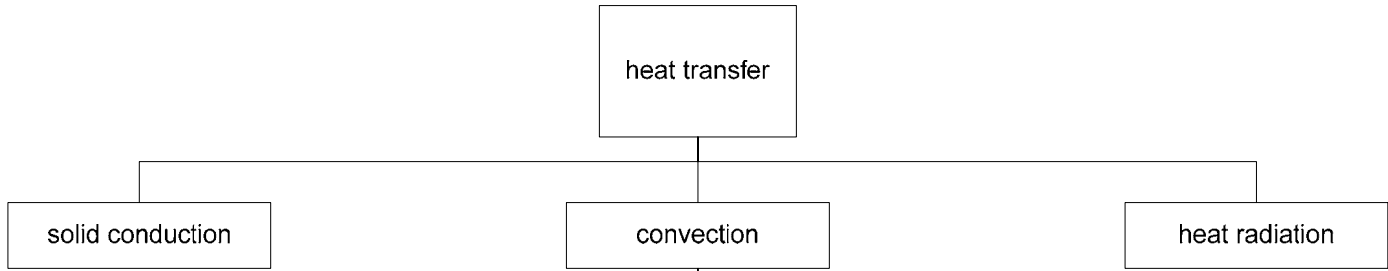
- viscosity decreases by several orders of magnitude
- creeps up the wall
- thermomechanic (fountain) effect
- heat conductivity increases by several orders of magnitude
- second sound

due to the two-fluid character





heat transfer  
principle





# Standard Cryostats



# Cryostats - bath cryostats 1

- principle

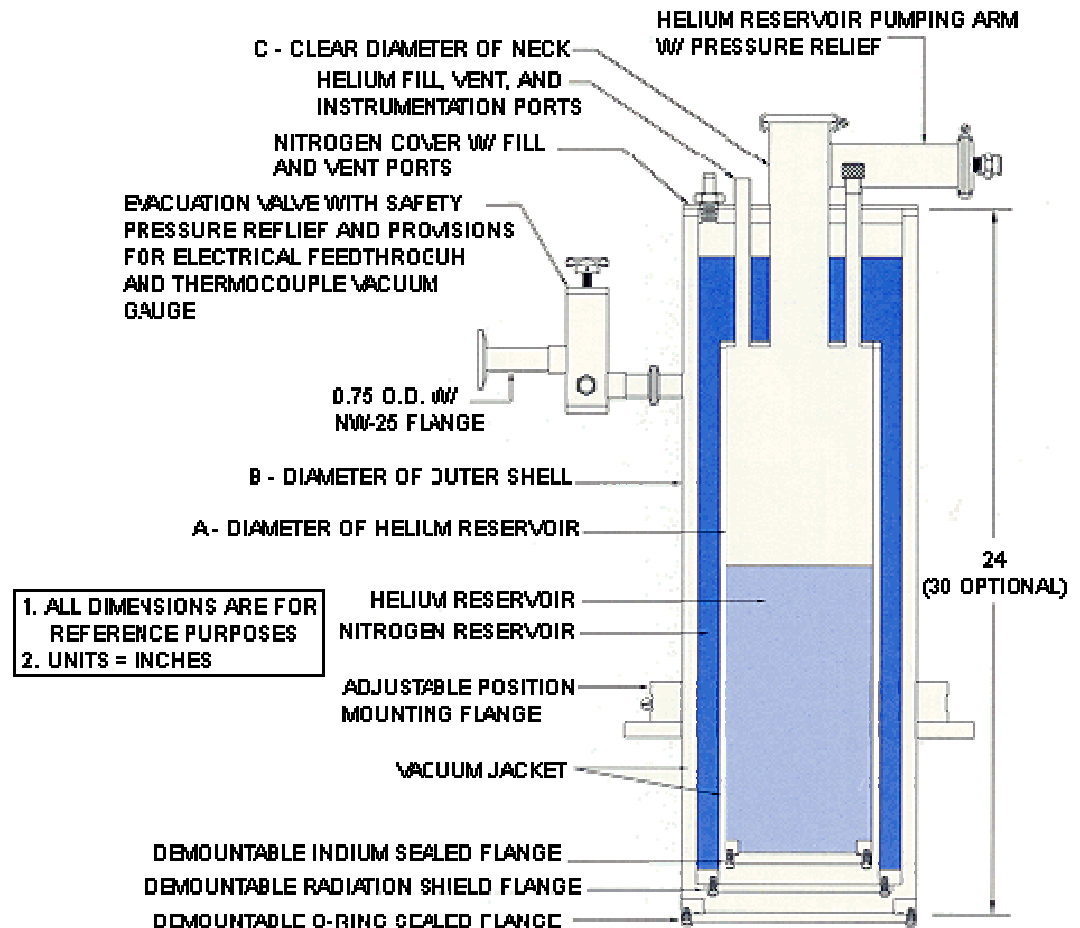
- direct cooling of probe in cryogenic liquid bath
- operation range: 1 - 4,2 K (63 - 78 K with LN<sub>2</sub>)

- advantages

- no vibrations
- stable temperatures
- up-time (LHe-bath) several days (consumption 0,5-1% per hour)

- disadvantages

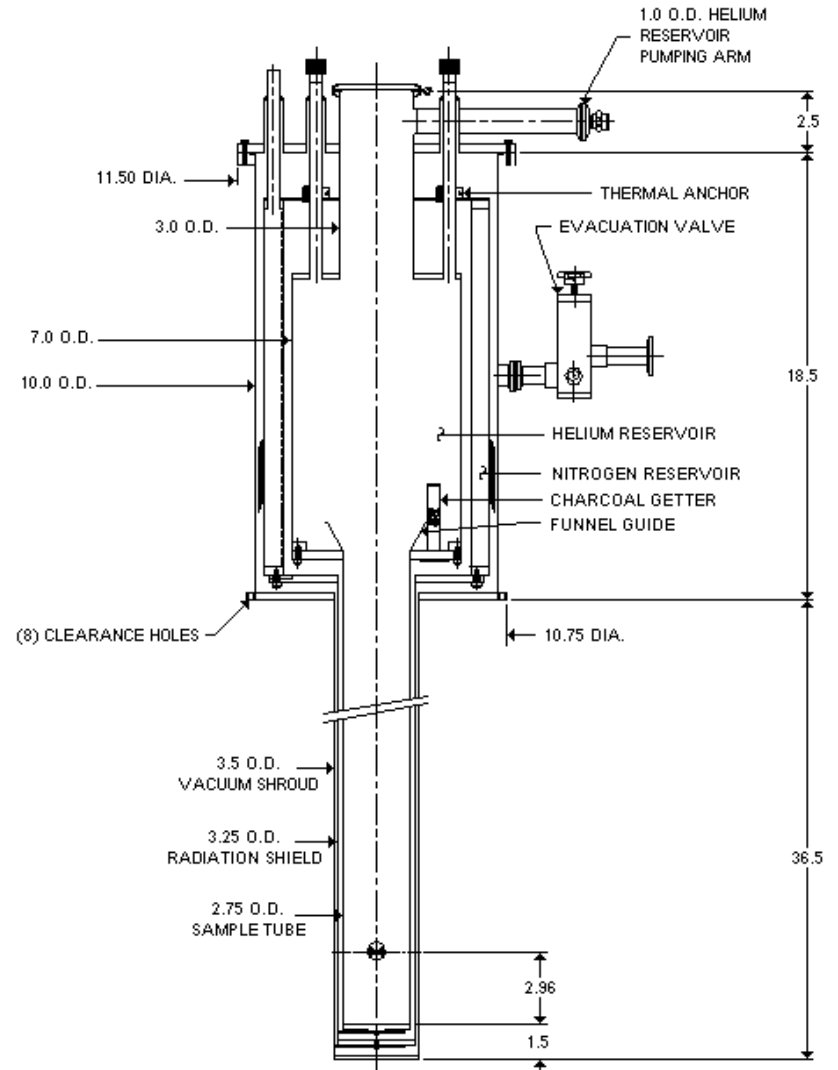
- long cool-down time (in the order of 1 hour)





# Cryostats - bath cryostats 2

- tails
  - cryostat add-on for different applications: e.g. NMR-magnets or optical systems





## Cryostats - bath cryostats 3

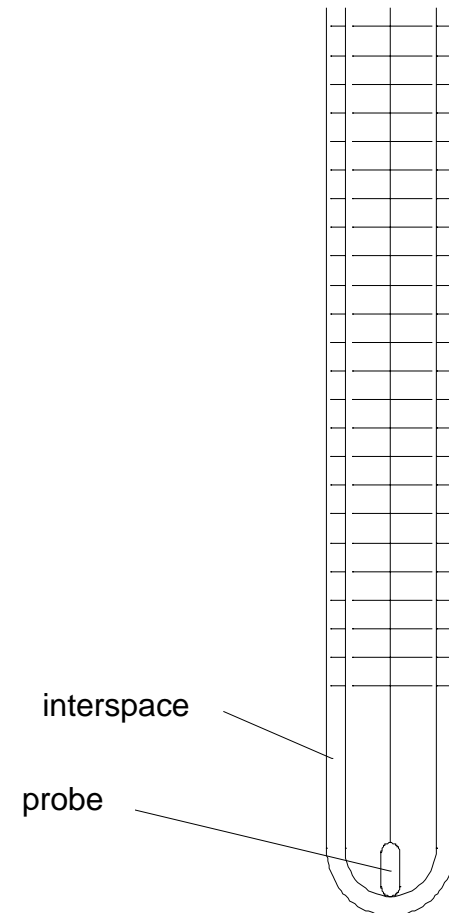
- anticryostat

- a) evacuated interspace

probes can be exchanged while cryostat remains cold

- b) interspace flooded with contact gas

operation - the temperature control is achieved with a heater in the probe support





# Cryostats - evaporation cryostats 1

- principle

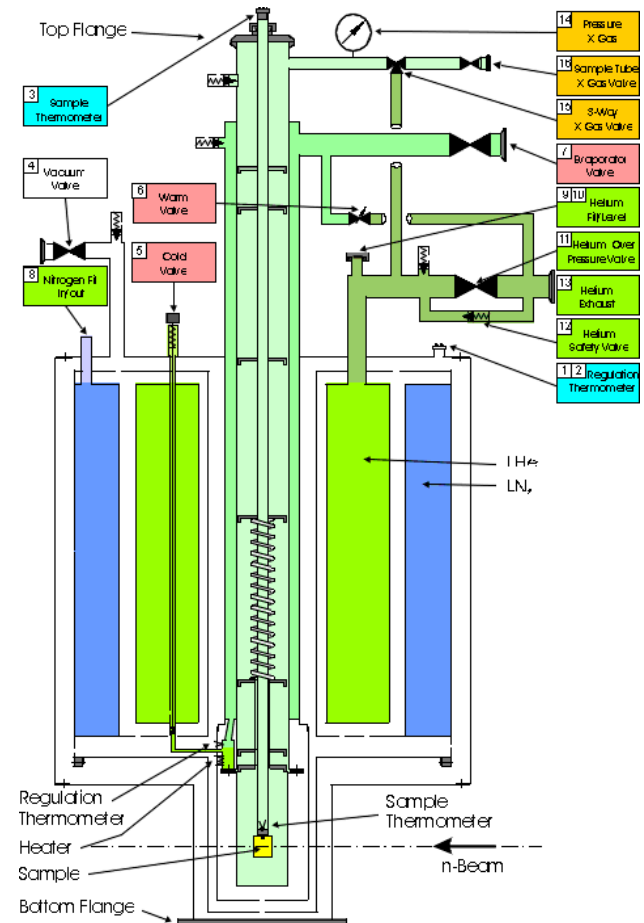
- A small flow of cryogen is evaporated and cools the probe
- operation range 1.5-300K
- indirect cooling of probe  
i.e.  
probe in contact gas shown)

or

probe in vacuum

or

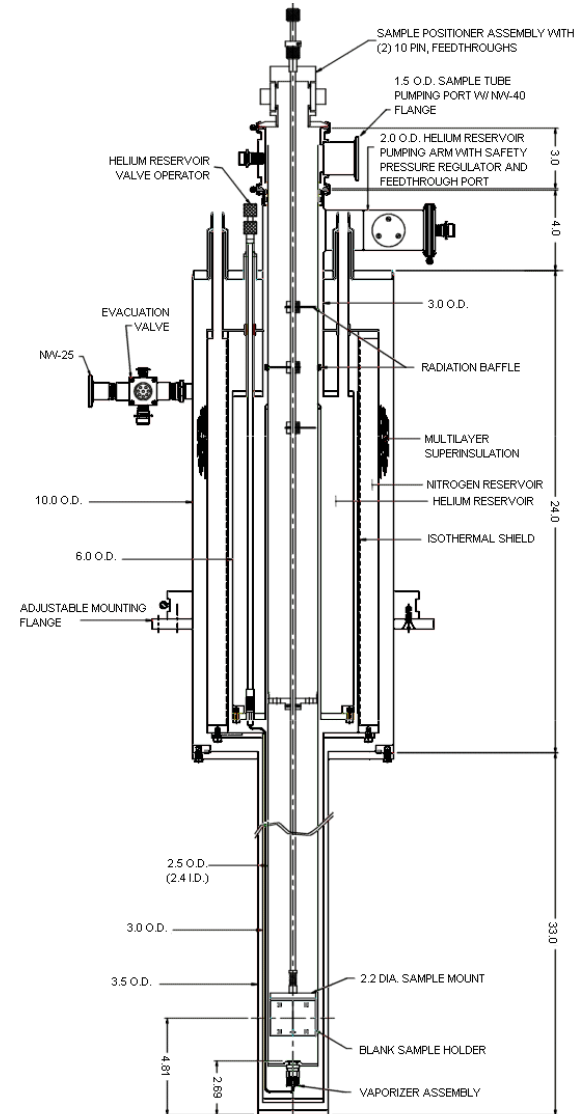
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# Cryostats - evaporation cryostats 2

- principle ...
  - direct cooling  
i.e.  
probe submerged in the evaporated helium/nitrogen

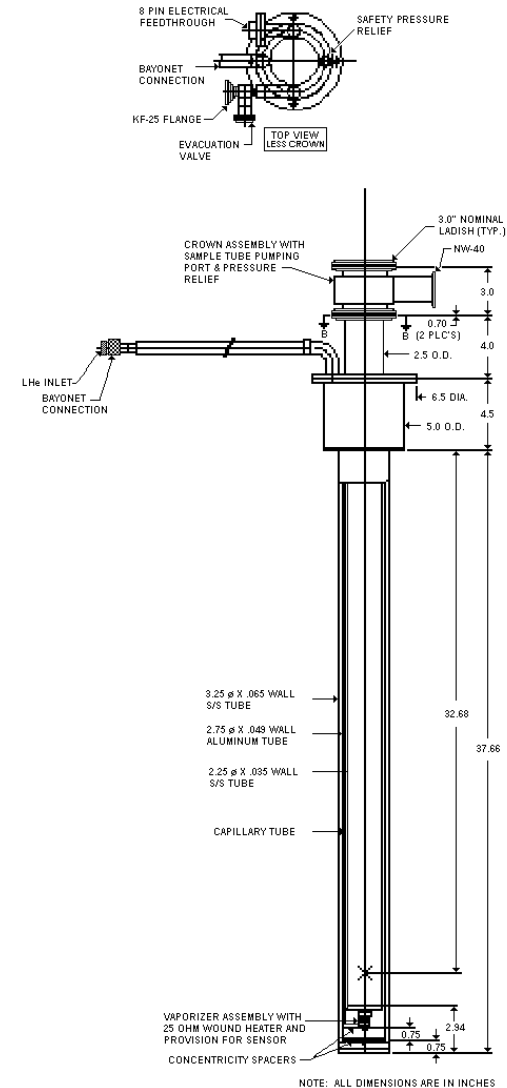






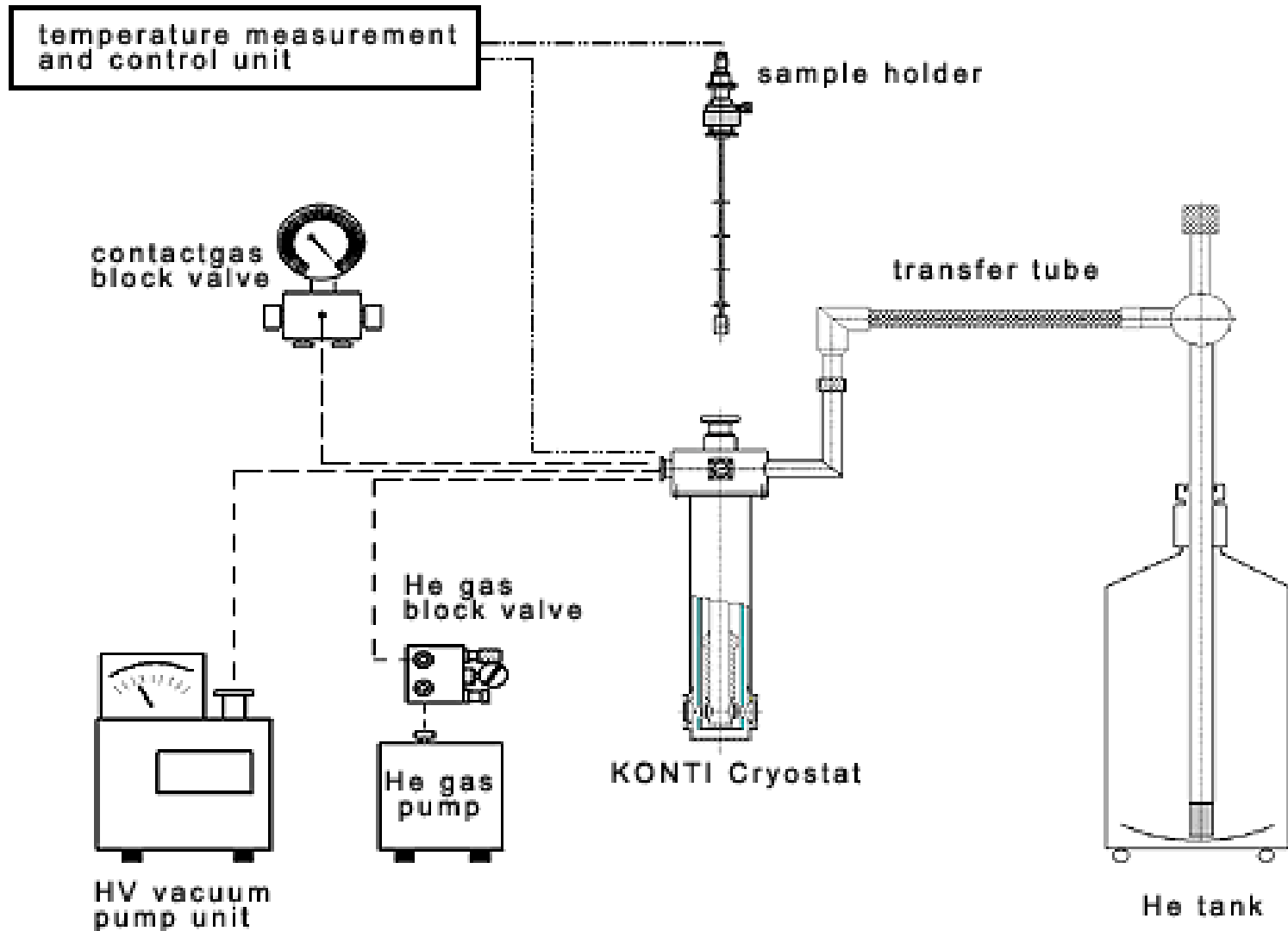
# Cryostats - evaporation cryostats 3

- principle ...
  - without liquid cryogen baths
- advantages
  - compact
  - low cost
  - flexible orientation
  - fast cool-down  
(in the order of 10 minutes)
- disadvantages
  - high consumption (e.g. 0,5l LHe/h)
  - temperature control close to boiling point difficult





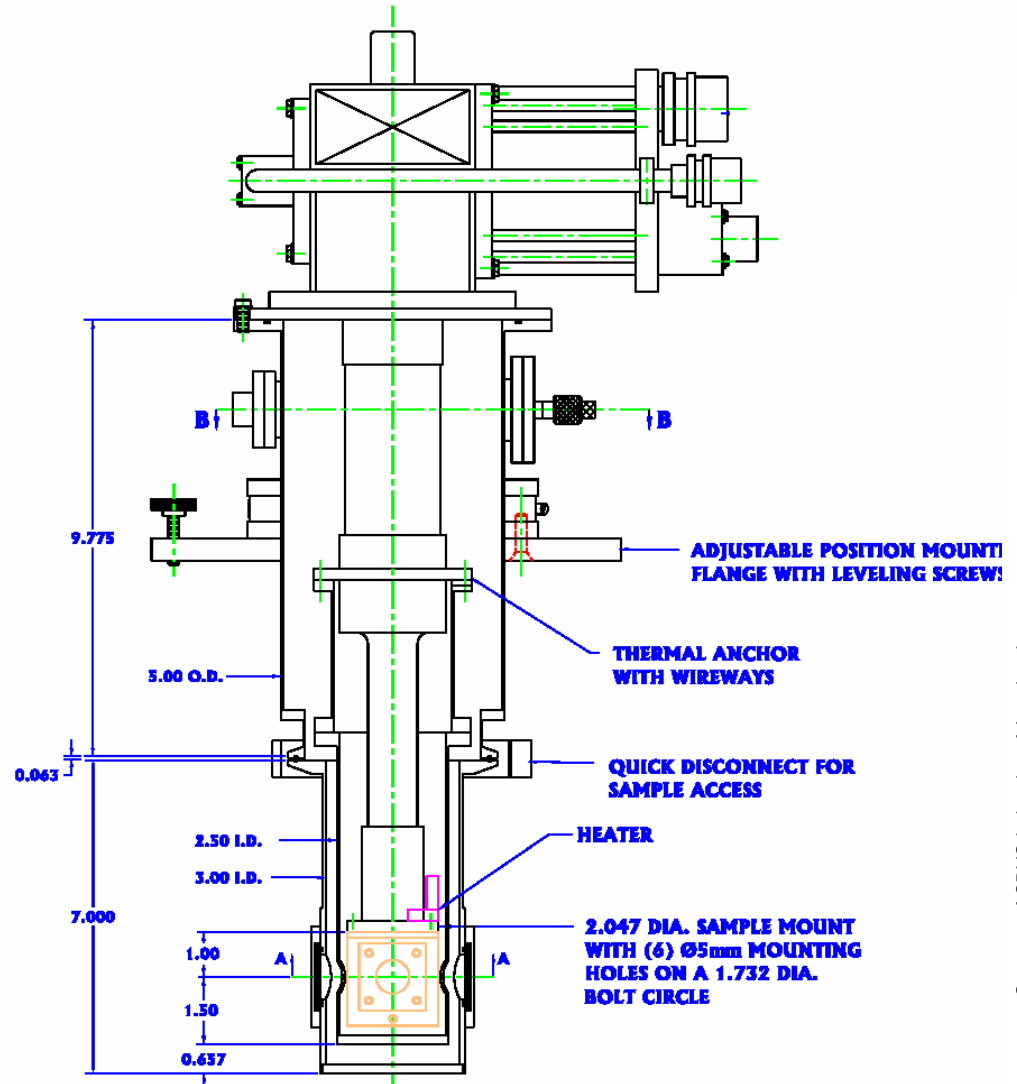
# Cryostats - overall system





# Cryostats - refrigerator cryostats

- principles
  - operation range 4,5 -300K
- advantages
  - compact
  - no cryogenic liquids
  - low operation costs
  - high autonomy
  - flexible orientation
- disadvantages
  - high investment cost
  - some can create vibrations





# Specification



# What to specify?

- Refrigeration task and operation conditions

refrigeration object dimensions, operation temperature and cooling principle, cool-down and warm-up conditions

- Minimum requirements

capacities, functions, materials, redundancies, measurement points and precision, automation degree

- Installation and environmental conditions

infrastructure (power supply, cooling, comp. air), accessibility, crane, environ-ment (vibrations, magnetic field, radiation)  
emissions (noise, vibrations, gas emission)

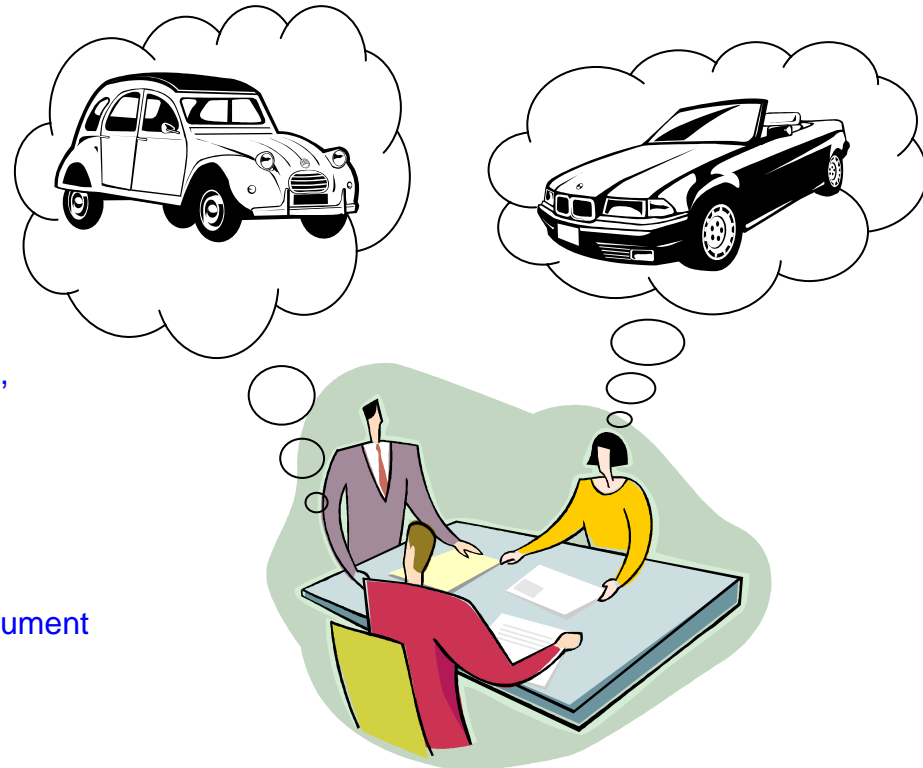
- Interfaces

infrastructure (gas recovery, cooling water, instrument air, energy), controls

- Quality requirements

- Documentation

drawings, design calculations, diagrammes, manuals, certificates, maintenance schedule, safety analysis  
- paper form or computer readable





# Specification - typical quality requirements

- **Materials**
  - e.g. special material specifications
  - material certificates
- **Joining techniques**
  - requirements for weldments
  - requirements for joints
- **Surface properties**
  - free of ferritic impurities
  - dirt, grease, weld XXX
- **Leak rates**
  - e.g.
    - <  $10^{-8}$  mbarls<sup>-1</sup> individual welds
    - <  $10^{-7}$  -  $10^{-6}$  mbarls<sup>-1</sup> overall leakrate He->Vac
    - <  $10^{-6}$  -  $10^{-5}$  mbarls<sup>-1</sup> overall leakrate air->Vac
    - <  $10^{-4}$  mbarls<sup>-1</sup> valve seats
    - <  $10^{-4}$  mbarls<sup>-1</sup> flanges with non-metallic seals
- **Thermal losses**
  - z.B.
    - 0,3-2,3% /24h liq. helium transp. vessel
    - 0,1-0,5% /24h liquid nitrogen tank
    - 0,5-2 W/m liquid nitrogen transfer line
    - 5-500 mW/m shielded helium transfer line



# Materials



# Materials - selection criteria

- mechanical strength
  - $\sigma_{0.2}$ ,  $\sigma_B$ ,  $E$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\alpha$
  - working properties
    - forming, extrusion, welding
    - further properties
      - magnetic properties., electric properties
      - thermal properties
        - heat conductivity, heat capacity, thermal contraction
      - surface properties
        - corr. resist., emissivity, spec. surf. area, outgassing
      - economic properties
        - price, availability





## Materials - selection criteria

		1.5662 9% Nickel	1.4306/07 304L	1.4404/35 316L	Al 5083 Al Mg4,5Mn	Cu-OF	3.7165 Ti Al6 V4	GF reinforced epoxy	PTFE
price/kg	CHF	3.5	4.5	4.7	7.3	9	70	35	26.5
price/kg max	CHF		17.3	21.7	6.6	9.5	81	180	26.5
Rp0,2 at RT	MPa	515	175	225	125	200	820	250	18.5
Rm at RT	MPa	690	450	600	275	240	890	250	18.5
elongation	%	20	40	35	17	18	6		530
density	kg/m3	7900	7900	7900	2657	8960	4540	1948	2200
thermal conductivity at 4K	W/(mK)	0.626	0.227	0.2	0.5	320	0.4	0.06	0.043
thermal cond. integral 4K-300K	W/m	5556.3	3031	3031	23460	162000	1416	167.2	70
Rp0,2/price	MPa/CHF	147.14	38.89	47.87	17.12	22.22	11.71	7.14	0.70
th.cond.integral/Rp0,2	W/(MPam)	10.79	17.32	13.47	187.68	810.00	1.73	0.07	3.78
Rp0,2/density	GPam3/kg	65.19	22.15	28.48	47.05	22.32	180.62	128.34	8.41

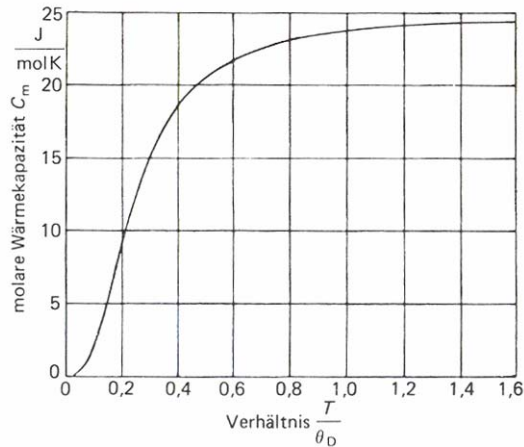


# Materials - thermal properties

- heat capacity

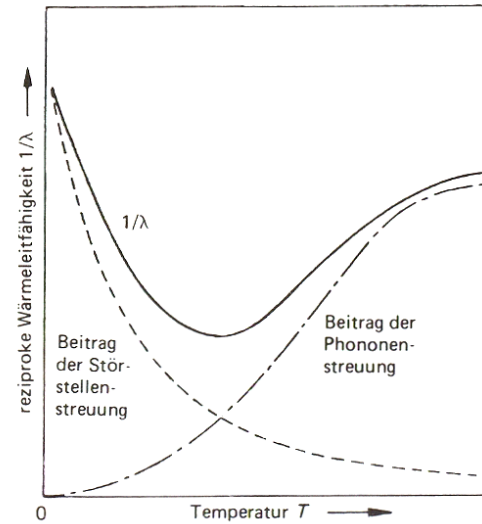
- Debye temperature of metals:

Fe 453K, Al 398, Cu 343, Pb 88K



- thermal conductivity

- energy transport by electrons





# Materials - steels

## austenitic stainless steel

e.g.

1.4301 (304),  
1.4306/07 (304L),  
1.4311 (304LN),  
1.4401 (316),  
1.4404/35 (316L),  
1.4541 (321),  
1.4550 (347)

- **properties**
  - universally applicable
  - good weldability
- **reference**
  - AD W10

## low temperature steel

e.g.

1.3912 (FeNi36, Invar)  
1.5662 (X8Ni9, 9% nickel steel)

- **properties**
  - high strength (1.5662)
  - low thermal contract. (1.3912)
  - cheaper than stainless steel
- **remark**
  - 1.5662 is not suitable for application below  $-196^{\circ}\text{C}$



# Materials - non ferrous materials

## Al and Aluminium alloys

e.g. AW3003 (Al-Mn1Cu),  
AW1100 (Al99,0Cu),  
AW6061 (Al-Mg1SiCu),  
AW6063 (Al-Mg),  
AW5083 (Al-Mg4,5Mn)

- **properties**

- high thermal cond. (1100, 6063)
- moderate strength (6061, 5083)
- good vacuum properties, low emissivity
- extrudable
- weldable

- **reference**

- AD W 6/1

## Cu and Copper alloys

e.g.

SF-Cu (99.9)

- high thermal cond. (annealed)

CuZn28Sn1 (2.0470, brass)

CuNi30Mn1Fe (2.0882, Ni-bronze)

CuBe1,9 (Berylliumbronze)

- high strength and good thermal conductivity

- **reference**

- AD W 6/2



# Materials - polymers

## non filled polymers

- thermoplastic polymers
  - PET (Mylar)
    - superinsulation, windows
  - PI (Kapton, Vespel)
    - insulation, seals
  - PTFE (Teflon)
    - seals
- duroplastic polymers
  - epoxy resins
    - electrical insulation

## filled + fibre reinforced poly.

- fibre reinforced polymers
  - with glas fibres
    - thermal expansivity like metals
  - with carbon fibres
    - thermal conductivity like steel
    - thermal expansion  $\sim 0$
  - Kevlar fibres
    - low weight
- powder filled polymers
  - with powders to adjust the themal expansivity
  - with powders to increase the thermal conductivity

## • reference

- G. Hartwig: „Polymer Properties at Room and Cryogenic Temperatures“, 1994, Plenum Press



## Materials - others

### glass

e.g.

- borosilicate glass
  - cryostats
- quartz glass
  - windows

### ceramics

e.g.

- Aluminiumoxide,  
Zirconiumsilicate
  - filler powders
- Siliziumdioxide
  - Perlite



# Materials - mech., opt. and electrical propert.

- mechanical properties
  - Bei tiefen Temperaturen erhöhen sich bei vielen Werkstoffen die Dehngrenze und die Zugfestigkeit, die Bruchdehnung verringert sich jedoch in vielen Fällen.  
(Tieftemperaturversprödung)
- emissivity
  - see lecture by G. Vandoni
- electrical properties
  - energy transport by electrons  
⇒ analogous to thermal conductivity, in alloys the effect of Störstellenstreuung becomes predominant.



# Techniques and Selected Hardware





# Methoden und Bauelemente

- Joining technique and seals
- Valves
- Pipework and transfer lines
- Radiation shields
- Adsorbers
- Heaters
- Instrumentation
- Vacuum technique



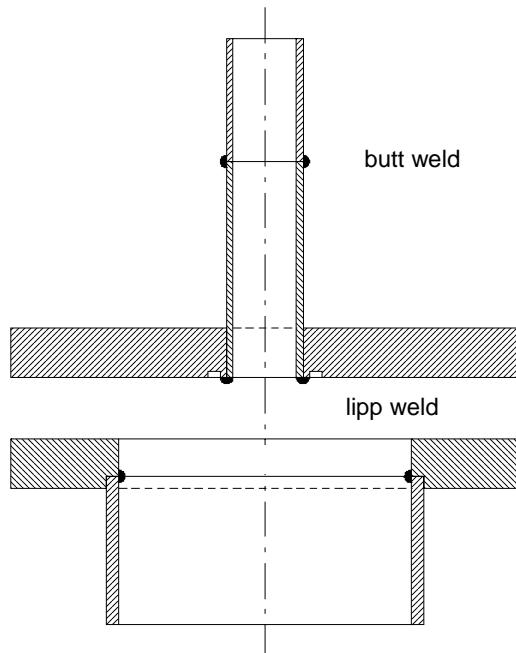
# Joining techniques - overview

- welding (TIG)
  - advantage - excellent leak tightness
  - for precision manufacturing - electron beam welding
  - material transitions with friction welded joints
  - attention - copper forms bubbles
  - provide for eventual cuts
- soldering
  - hard soldering
    - thermal expansivity to be considered
    - good for copper - stainless steel joints
    - disadvantage - ageing possible
  - soft soldering
    - e.g. In97-Ag3, In52-Sn48
    - attention - standard Sn60-Pb40 soft solder becomes brittle at low temp.
    - not applicable for stainless steel
    - special soft solder exists:
      - non superconducting
      - with low thermo-electric potent.
- glueing
  - electrical feed throughs
  - electrical insulation
  - thermal contacts  
e.g. sensor attachment
  - e.g.  
Araldite CW1304GB/HY1300GB,  
Eccobond 285 + Härter 24LV,  
Epo-Tek T7110,  
Poxycomet F,  
Scotch-Weld DP190,  
Stycast 2850FT + hardener 9,

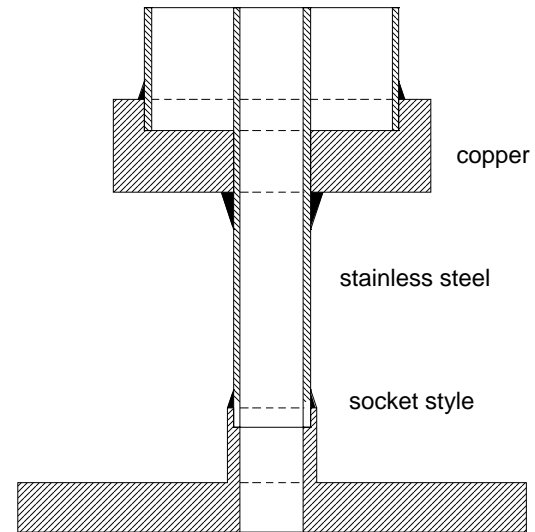


# Joining techniques - examples

welded joints



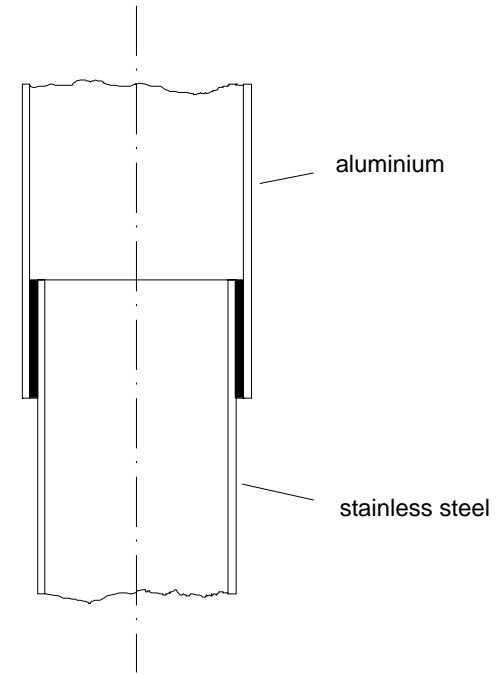
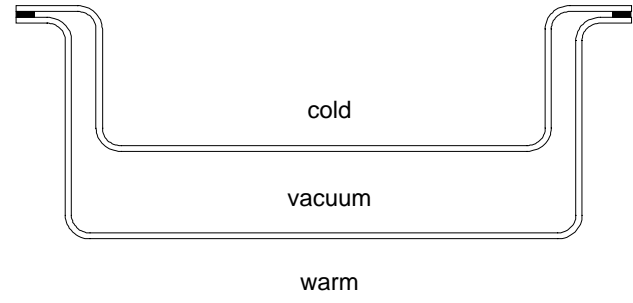
soldered joints





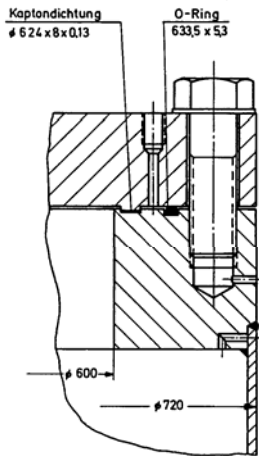
# Joining techniques - errors

- thermal contraction
  - identical materials - different temperatures
    - shear load of the joint due to the contraction of the internal part
  - different materials - parallel cooling
    - different thermal expansivity can cause plastic deformation of one component
    - e.g. Aluminium - stainless steel
      - Al outside - plastic deformation of Al
      - Al inside - extreme load on the joint

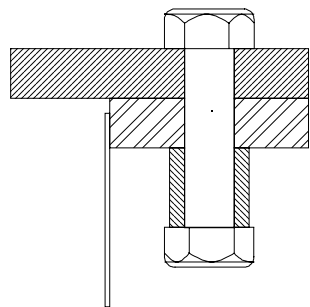
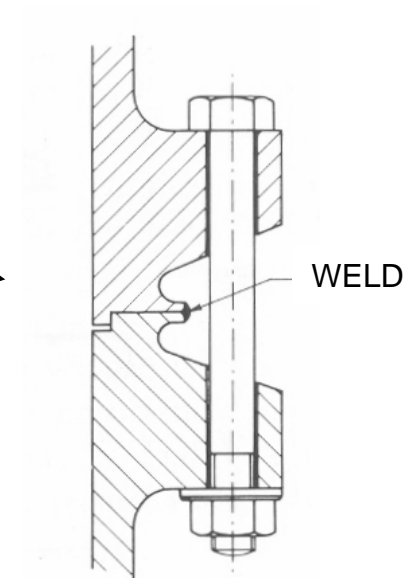




# Joining techniques - flanges 1



- double seal for leak testing (main seal Kapton)
- separation of sealing function and force is possible
- material combinations



In order to obtain a constant force, the thermal expansivity of flange and bolt must be taken into account.

e.g.:

Flanges of stainless steel and aluminium with stainless steel bolts can be joined with an Invar spacer.



## Joining techniques - flanges 2

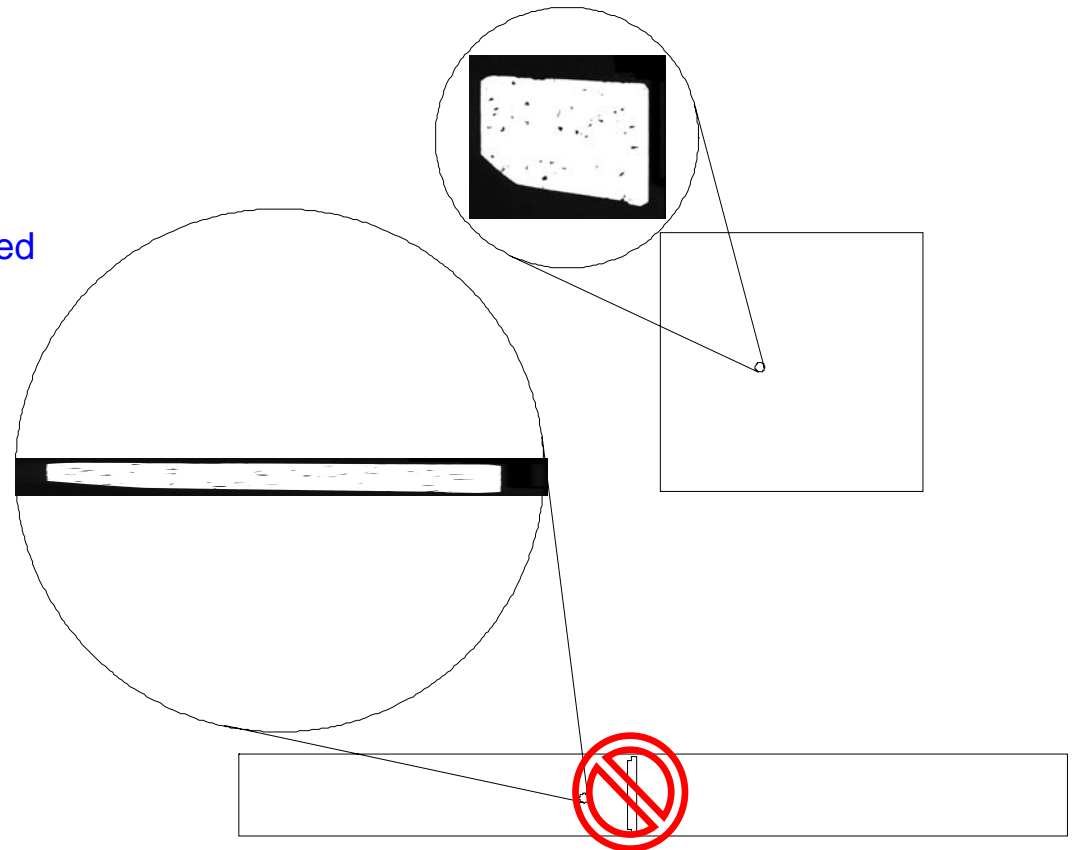
- Flange

- risk of leaks by manufacturing

Inclusions from the material manufacturing are lengthened by the forming process. The prevailing inclusion direction must be taken into account as they can otherwise lead to leaks.

Alternatives:

forged material,  
vacuum molten material





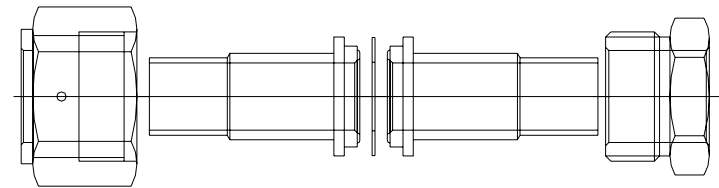
# Joining techniques - seals 1

- seals

- copper, aluminium
  - sufficient compression force along the sealing line is required to ensure yield
- indium
  - e.g. V-groove mit seal cord

cross section seal cord =  
1.5 x cross section of the groove

- polyimide (Kapton)
  - compression force of 50N/mm<sup>2</sup>





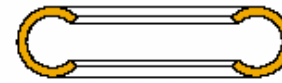
## Joining techniques - seals 2

- seals

- O-rings

- e.g.  
out of metal - some are coated,  
  
out of polymers with internal spring

NOTE: Seals containing polymers cannot be used in a vacuum environment due to their high diffusion rate.



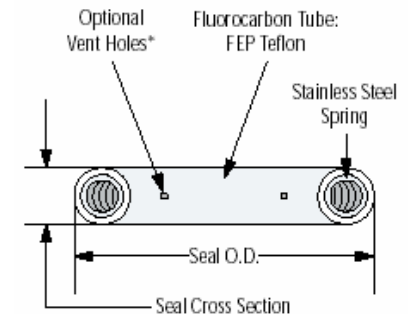
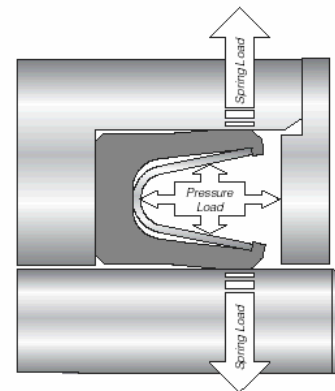
**INTERNAL PRESSURE**



**EXTERNAL PRESSURE**



**AXIAL PRESSURE**



Groove O.D. should equal the Seal O.D. (+.010, -.000")





# Joining techniques - heat transfer aspect

Aim - **increase**  
the heat transfer

- surface contact
  - $Q \neq f(\text{surface})$  ;  
 $Q = f(\text{contact pressure})$  !  
e.g. Cu-Cu at 300K, 500N -  $10^{-2}$ - $10^{-1}$  W/K  
Cu-Cu at 4K, 500N -  $3 \cdot 10^{-3}$ - $10^{-2}$  W/K  
Au-Au at 4,2K, 100N -  $10^{-1}$  W/K  
Au-Au at 4,2K, 500N -  $4 \cdot 10^{-1}$  W/K
  - Improvement by increased contact pressure, vacuum grease (Apiezon grease) or gold-plated contact surfaces
  - where possible solder or weld (silver solder joint 2 W/Kcm<sup>2</sup>)
  - glue with filled epoxy resins
- connectors
  - flexible bands and braids
  - heat pipes

Aim - **decrease**  
the heat transfer

- principles
  - reduction of ratio cross section/length
    - tie rods, cables (steel, Kevlar)
  - increase of the number of heat transfer barriers
    - chains, bundle of sheet
- supports



# Verbindungen - Wärmeleitung

	Cu 99.999%	Cu 99.98%	Cu DFE-99.95%	Al 99.99%	Al 99%	AW 3003	AW 5083	AW 6061	AW 6063	Saphir Polykrist.	Quarz Einkristall	1.5662 9% Ni St	Be-Cu	Ti 6Al 4V
Wärmeleitung [W/mK]														
4 K	7000	620	320	3150	54	11	0.506	9.53	34	111	582	0.626	1.879	0.403
76 K	570	600	550	430	290	140	57.1	116	241	1030	56.6	12.654	35.991	3.36
300 K	400	420	400	235	220	160	128	160	201	45	7.5	27.827		7.7
Wärmeleitungsintegral [W/m]														
4-76 K	307000	103000	68600	182000	22000	6720	2360	5700	16015	248000	32400	496.2	1478	156
76-300 K	93000	97000	93400	57000	50800	34980	21100	30600	45458	37200	4190	5060.1		1260

1.4301 304	1.4306 304L	Edelstahl 310	1.4436 316	Kevlar	CFK	GFK G-10	GFK G-10	PA (Polyamid)	PTFE	PMMA	PET amorph	PCTFE 50% krist.	PI (Polyimid)	
0.227	0.272	0.241	0.272	0.060	0.029	0.063	0.072	0.012	0.043	0.058	0.038	0.019	0.011	Wärmeleitung [W/mK]
8.01	7.854	5.952	7.854	1.271	0.81	0.415	0.279	0.292	0.232	0.215	0.156	0.104	0.125	4 K
14.9	15.309	11.628	15.309		5.05	0.82	0.608	0.337	0.26	0.24		0.142	0.192	76 K
														300 K
317	318	247	318	52.5	22.5	19.2	14.7	13.0	12.8	10.1	7.8	5.73	5.6	Wärmeleitungsintegral [W/m]
2760	2713	2040	2713		814	148	97.0	75.1	57.2	52.9		27.9	37.7	4-76 K
														76-300 K

$$\text{kleines } \Delta T: \quad \dot{Q} = \frac{A}{l} \lambda \Delta T \qquad \text{großes } \Delta T: \quad \dot{Q} = \frac{A}{l} \int_{T_1}^{T_2} \lambda(T) dT$$

mit A = Querschnitt, l = Länge,  $\lambda$  = Wärmeleitung und  $\int_{T_1}^{T_2} \lambda(T) dT$  = Wärmeleitungsintegral



# Ventile - Spezifikationsbeispiel

## Specification of Valves operating at Cryogenic Temperature

Cryogenic valves must be able to cover both the control and the shut-off function. Only valves of the extended-spindle type with body and stem in co-axial design are accepted. These valves must be welded to the pipework and to the top plates of the cold boxes. Rotating type valves or valves with actuators inside the cold boxes will generally not be accepted. Proposals of exceptions for specific reasons have to be submitted to CERN with full justification, for approval.

The choice of any non-metallic material must be in accordance with the CERN Safety Instruction 41.

## Materials and Design

The valve body must be in austenitic stainless steel AISI 316L or the equivalent DIN type. The spindle may be of the same material as the body or may consist partly of composite material. In case of composite material, the steel-to-composite connection must have a mechanical link in addition to any glued link. This mechanical link must be realised in order not to weaken the structure of the composite part. For valve stems in composite material, the difference in thermal contraction between ambient and liquid helium temperature must be compensated by the design in order stay below two percent of the valve travel.

The spindle-and-bellows assembly must be dismountable from the top and must allow changing either the seat seal or the valve trim without the necessity to break the isolation vacuum.

In order to allow for misalignment introduced by the piping following thermal expansion and contraction, valve plugs for a maximum seat diameter of 15 mm or above, must have a flexible connection to the valve stem. For plugs with a smaller seat diameter this misalignment may be compensated by the elasticity of the valve stem. The stem itself must by its design allow for such misalignments, any guiding of it in the valve body must be protected against friction. Any flexible connection of the valve plug to the valve stem must be designed such that vibration of the plug due to the fluid flow is prevented and no damage of the plug, the seat or the seal occurs.

A flexible and clearance-free clutch device must protect the valve stem from any misalignments introduced from the actuator.

The valve bore and plug must be fabricated with a tolerance allowing for a rangeability of at least 1:100.

## Sealing system

The static and the dynamic seal must be placed at the top warm end of the valve, easily available for maintenance or replacement.

The dynamic spindle seal must be welded metallic bellows. The bellows must be protected against twist load. Its lifetime design shall be made for a minimum of 10'000 full travel cycles at full design pressure. The bellows seal must be backed by an additional safety stuffing box with check-connection to the space enclosed in between.

The static seal to the ambient between body and spindle inset must be an O-ring seal. The O-ring seal groove must be designed for pressure and vacuum conditions. For sub-atmospheric operation conditions a double O-ring seal joint, covering static and dynamic sealing, with guard gas connection into the space in-between must be included.

The valve seat must be tightened with a soft seal for the shut-off function that must be placed on an area different from the regulation cone of the plug. For this soft seal only plastic materials proven for operation at liquid helium temperature are accepted.

## Tests and material certificates

The chemical and physical qualities of the raw materials for pressure stress parts must be verified and documented by material test certificates.

The following tests, all recorded with a written protocol must be carried out on each ready assembled valve.

A pressure test, following the CERN Pressure Vessel Code D2, which refers to the European Directive CE93/C246.

A functional test to verify that the valve stem moves without friction

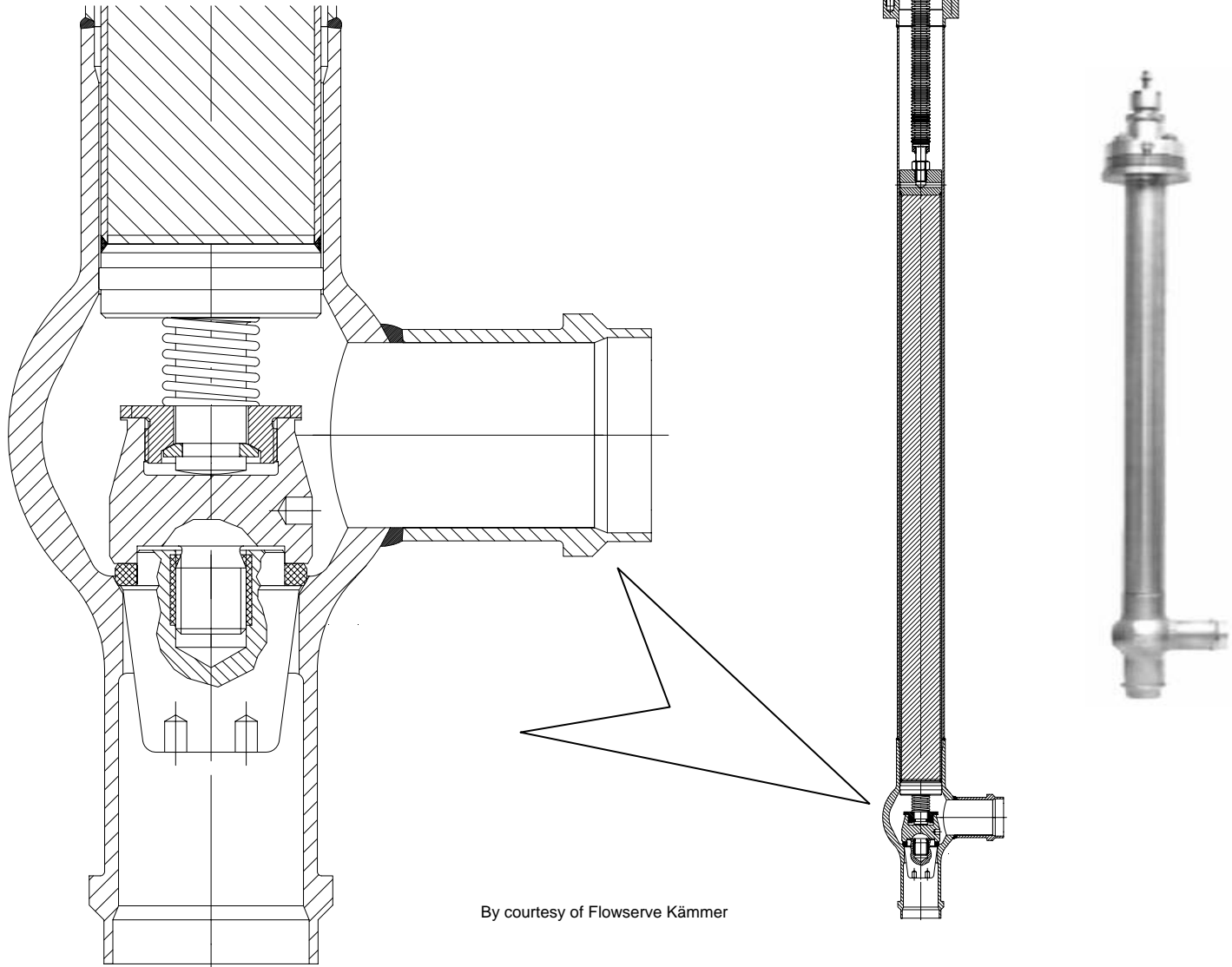
Leak tests to verify the leak rates listed below.

The cryogenic valves must satisfy the following leak rate criteria at maximum working pressure and room temperature.

Individual leak rate to atmosphere:  $10^{-6}$  Pa m<sup>3</sup>/s (10<sup>-5</sup> mbar l/s), Individual leakage across valves seat:  $10^{-5}$  Pa m<sup>3</sup>/s (10<sup>-4</sup> mbar l/s), Individual leak rate to the vacuum insulation:  $10^{-9}$  Pa m<sup>3</sup>/s (10<sup>-8</sup> mbar l/s).



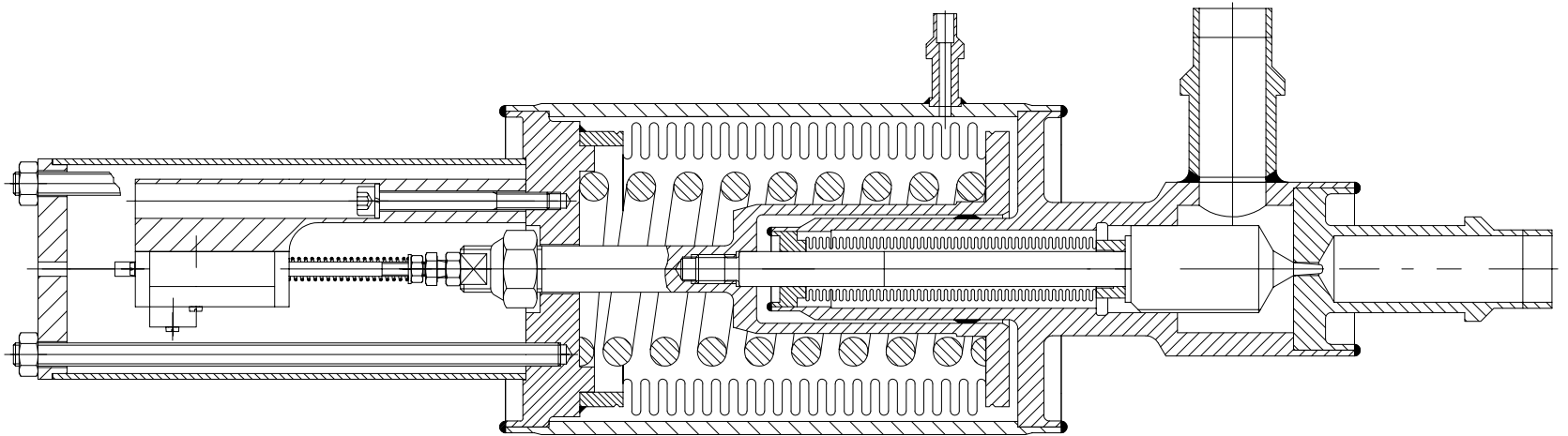
# Valves - design 1



By courtesy of Flowserve Kammer



## Valves - design 2



valve with integrated actuator



# Valves - design (DIN534)

numerical value equation!

Liquid (incompressible fluid):

$$k_v = \frac{\dot{m}}{\sqrt{1000 \rho \Delta p}}$$

with  $\rho$  = density in  $\text{kg/m}^3$ ,  $\Delta p$  = pressure drop in bar,

$\dot{m}$  = mass flow in kg/h

Gas :

subcritical flow ( $p_2 > p_1/2$ )

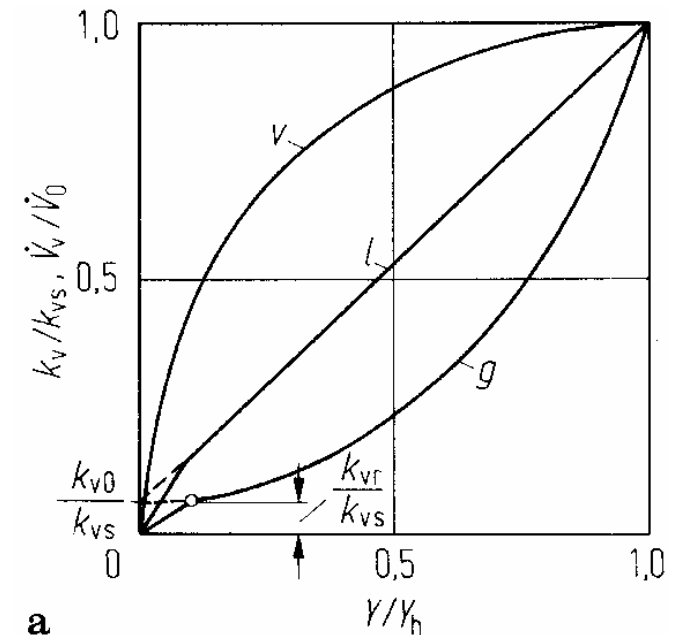
$$k_v = \frac{\dot{m}}{519} \sqrt{\frac{T_1}{\rho_G \Delta p p_2}}$$

with  $T_1$  = temperature in K,  $\rho_G$  = density at normal conditions,

$p_2$  = pressure in bar

supercritical flow ( $p_2 \leq p_1/2$ )

$$k_v = \frac{\dot{m}}{259.5 p_1} \sqrt{\frac{T_1}{\rho_G}}$$





# Pipework - pressure drop

$$\Delta p = \frac{\rho}{2} v^2 \frac{l}{d} \lambda$$

mit  $\rho$  = Dichte,  $v$  = Geschwindigkeit,  $l$  = Länge,  $d$  = Durchmesser

Reynolds Zahl:  $Re = \frac{v d}{\nu}$

mit  $\nu$  = kinematische Viskosität:  $\nu = \frac{\eta}{\rho}$ ,  $\eta$  = dynamische Viskosität

laminare Strömung ( $Re < 2300$ ):

$$\lambda_{lam} = \frac{64}{Re}$$

turbulente Strömung ( $Re \geq 2300$ ):

$\lambda_{turb}$  aus Nikuradse - Diagramm entnehmen  
oder für glatte Rohre

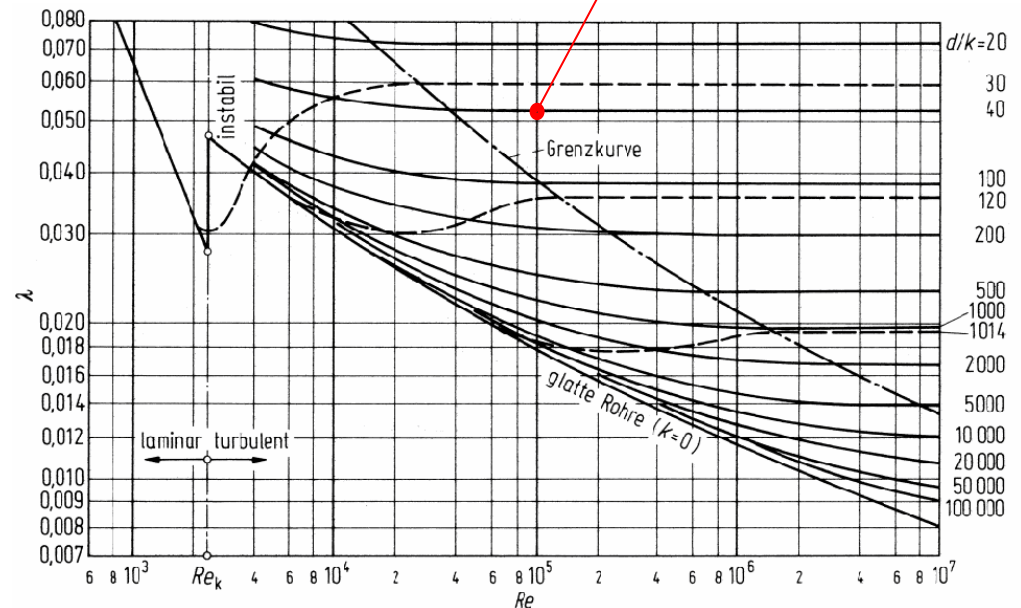
Formel von Blasius für  $2300 < Re < 10^5$ :

$$\lambda_{turb} = \frac{0,3164}{Re^{0,25}}$$

Formel von Nikuradse für  $10^5 < Re < 10^8$

$$\lambda_{turb} = 0,0032 + \frac{0,221}{Re^{0,237}}$$

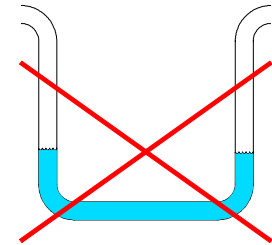
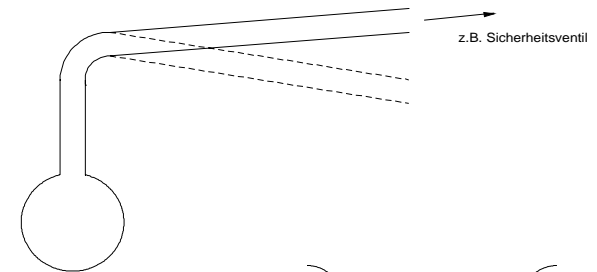
$\lambda$  – Wellrohr oder  
 $\lambda$  – Ringgrillenrohr  
bei  $Re \sim 10^5$





# pipe systems - direction of installation

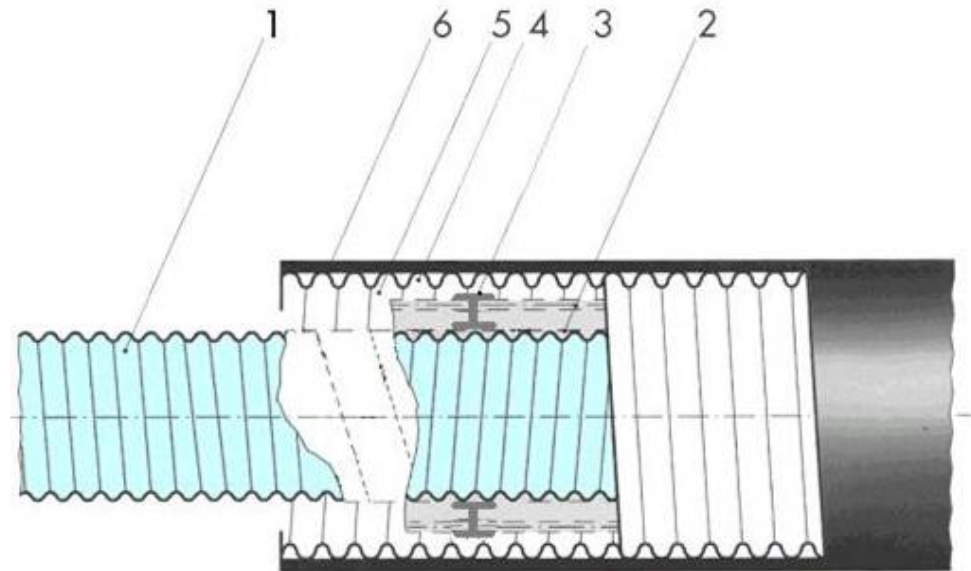
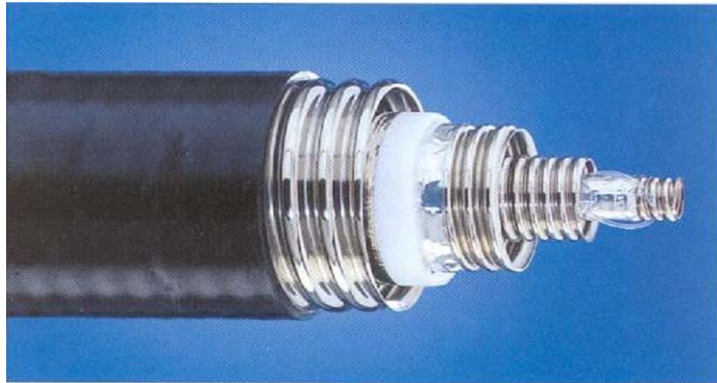
- ascent towards warm end in order to allow thermal stratification
  - otherways - descend after a short ascent
- avoid low points (Siphons) in liquid carrying lines
- take into account thermal contraction





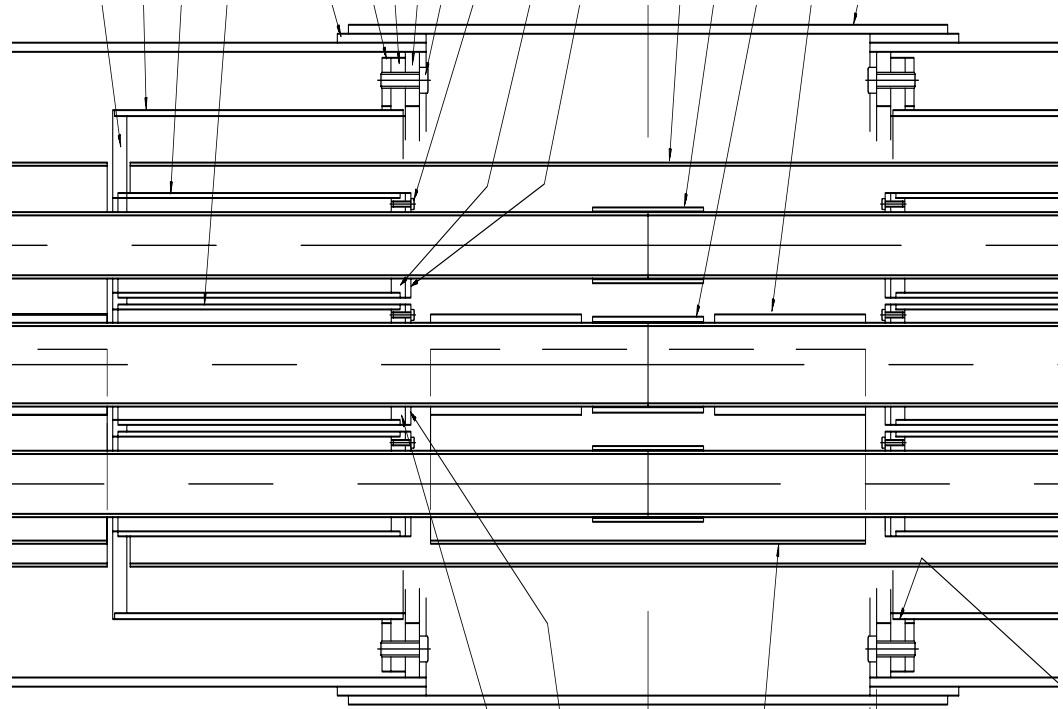
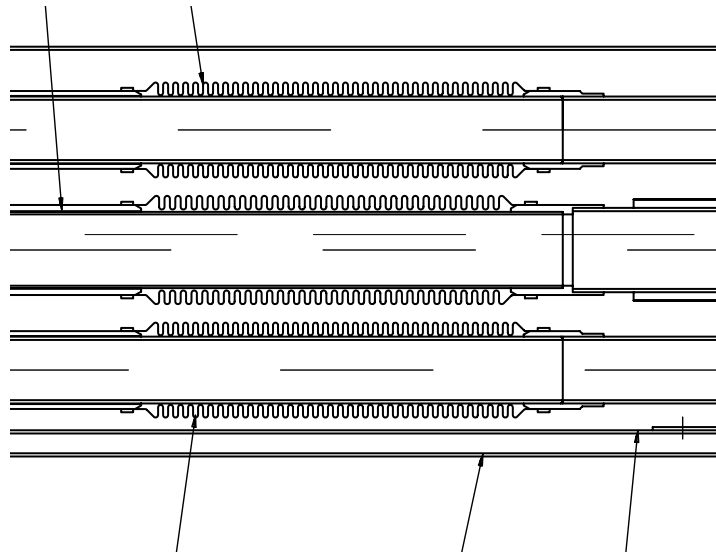


# Transfer lines - design 1

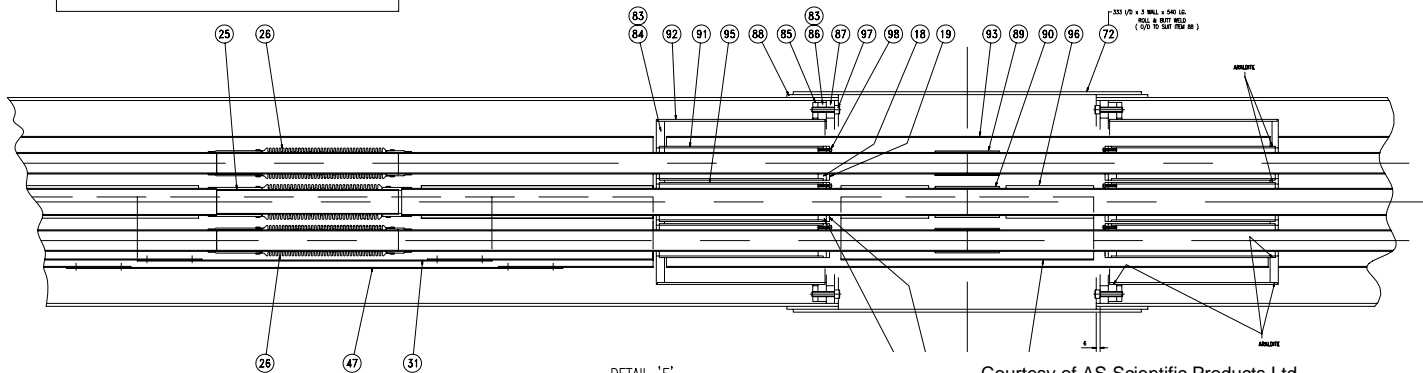




# Transfer lines



BELLOWS ITEMS 25 & 26 TO BE FULLY COMPRESSED ON ASSY.

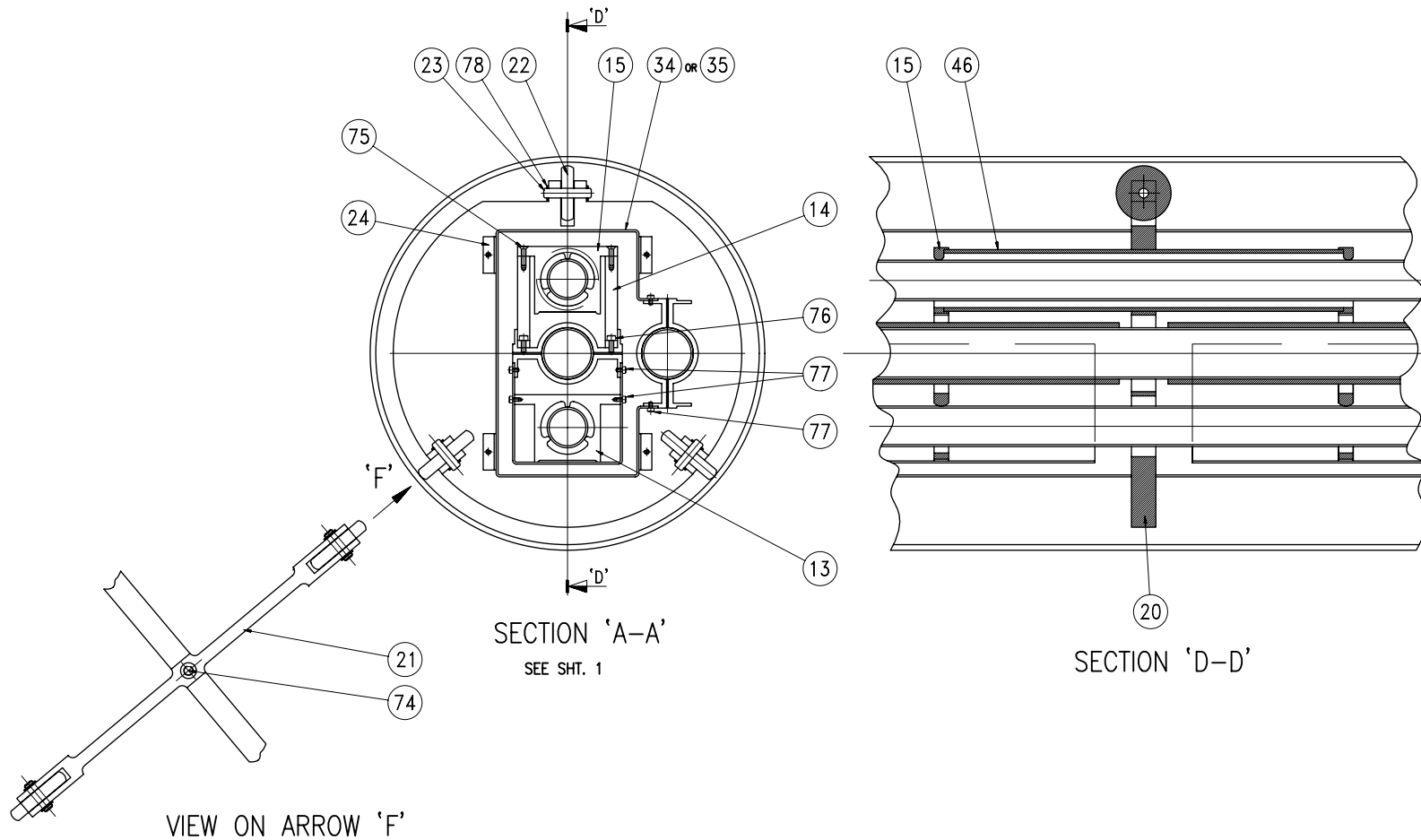


DETAIL 'E'  
SEE SH. 1

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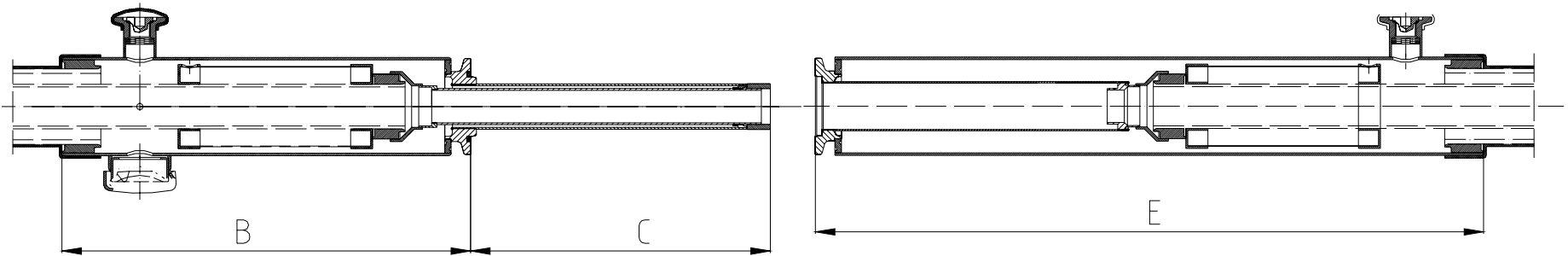


# Transfer lines - design 2



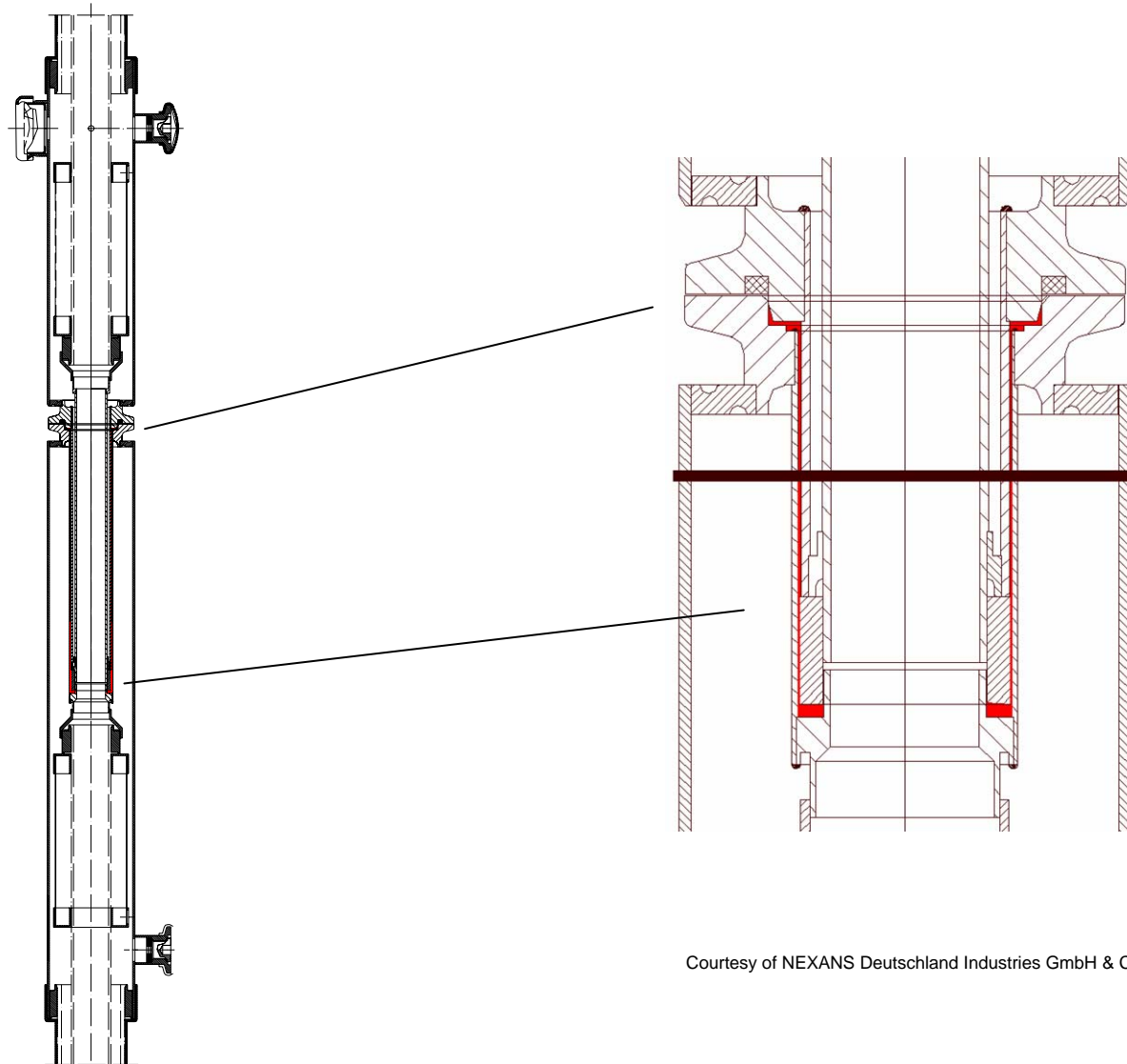


# Transfer lines - couplings 1





## Transfer lines - couplings 2



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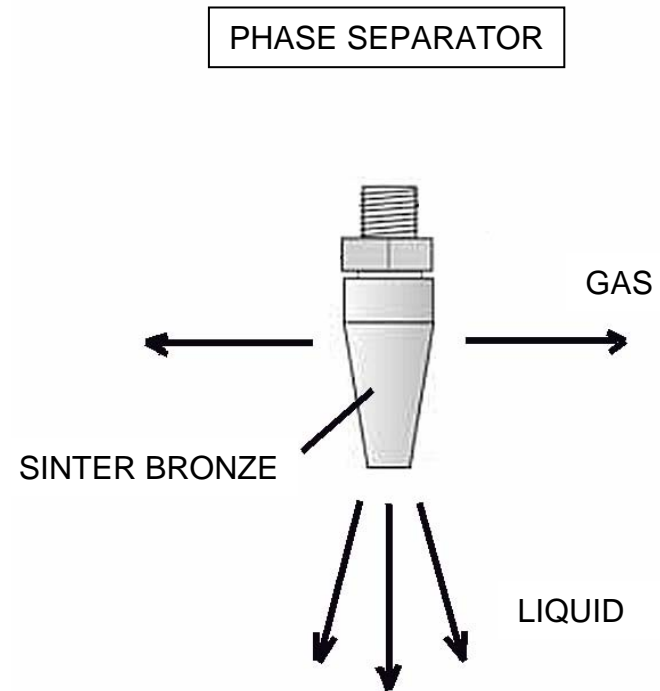


## Transfer lines - phase separator

- phase separator

The installation of a phase separator at the delivery end of a siphons can improve the transfer of liquid.

NOTE: As these filters can clog, they should only be installed in accessible places.





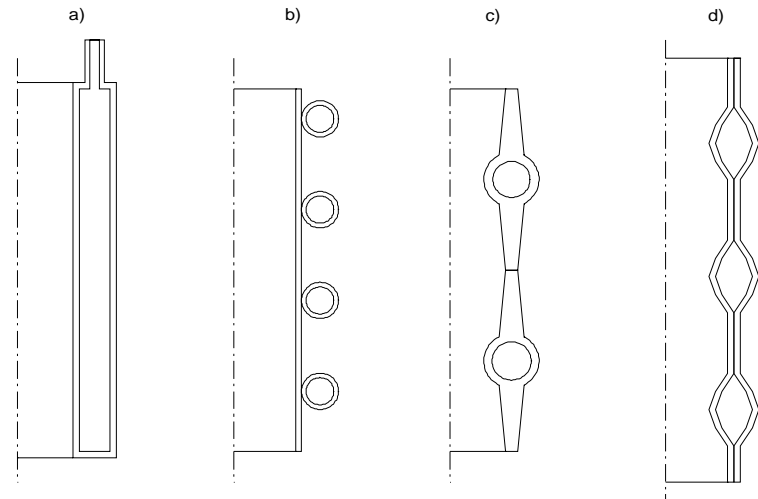
# Shield - design

a) shield out of two concentric cylinders

b) shield with brazed cooling pipes

c) shield assembled from extruded elements (e.g. finned pipes)

d) quilted panel type shield  
(made by 1. spot welding two plates  
and 2. hydraulically forming them)





# Shield - design

Distance of the cooling pipes :

$$l = \sqrt{\frac{8 \lambda s (T_{\max} - T_{\text{refrigerant}})}{\dot{q}}}$$

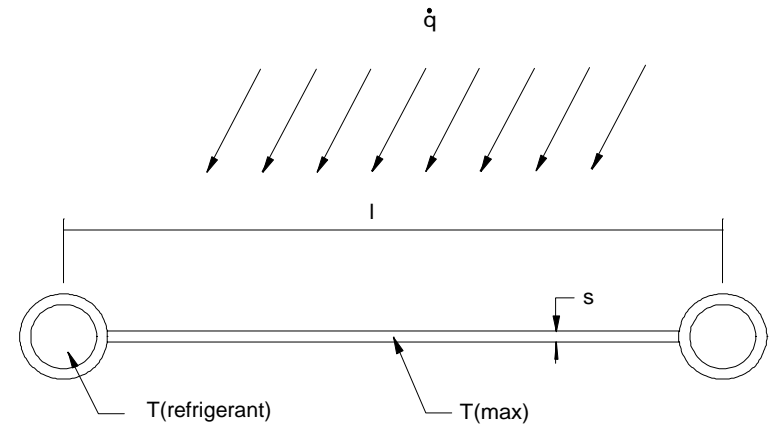
with

$\lambda$  = thermal conductivity,

$s$  = thickness of the shield,

$T_{\max}$  = maximum temperature of the shield in between two cooling pipes,

$\dot{q}$  = specific heat flux







# Adsorber - design

- Capacity

$$V_{\text{Adsorber}} = \frac{x \dot{m} T}{\rho \beta}$$

with

x - concentration of impurities

$\dot{m}$  - mass flow

T - up time

$\rho$  - density of the impurities at RT

$\beta$  - adsorption capacity

- Pressure drop - Ergun equation

$$\Delta p = \frac{150(1-\varepsilon)^2 \mu u_0 L}{\varepsilon^3 D_p^2} + \frac{1.75 \rho L u_0^2}{D_p^2} \frac{1-\varepsilon}{\varepsilon^3}$$

with

$D_p$  - particle diameter

L - length of the adsorber

$u_0$  - gas velocity =  $\frac{\dot{V}}{A}$

$\varepsilon$  - void fraction

$\mu$  - viscosity

$\rho$  - gas density

Attention – Avoid the formation  
of a turbulence layer!



# Adsorber - data

Material properties	activated charcoal				silica gel				Source
	[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	480			[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	720			
bulk density	[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	480			[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	720			[2]
solid density	[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	1920			[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	2200			[2]
particle density	[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	750			[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	1200			[2]
void fraction ε	[-]	0.64			[-]	0.6			
maximum regeneraion temperature	[K]	410			[K]	590			[2]
	<i>per unit of mass</i>		<i>per unit of bulk volume</i>		<i>per unit of mass</i>		<i>per unit of bulk volume</i>		
specific heat capacity at RT	[kJ/kgK]	0.84	[kJ/m <sup>3</sup> K]	403.2	[kJ/kgK]	0.92	[kJ/m <sup>3</sup> K]	662.4	[2]
specific surface area	[10 <sup>6</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg]	1.2	[10 <sup>6</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	576	[10 <sup>6</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg]	0.78	[10 <sup>6</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	561.6	[2]
Adsorption properties									
monolayer capacity for N <sub>2</sub> at 90.1K following BET	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.173	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	83	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.127	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	91	[1]
monolayer capacity for O <sub>2</sub> at 90.1K following BET	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.235	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	113	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.132	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	95	[1]
monolayer capacity for Ar at 90.1K following BET	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.216	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	104	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.122	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	88	[1]
monolayer capacity for N <sub>2</sub> at 77.3K following BET	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.182	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	87	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.135	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	97	[1]
adsorption capacity for N <sub>2</sub> at 76K	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.240	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	115	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.250	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	180	[3,4]
adsorption capacity for N <sub>2</sub> at 77,4K	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.246	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	118	[m <sup>3</sup> /kg]	0.196	[m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>3</sup> ]	141	[5]

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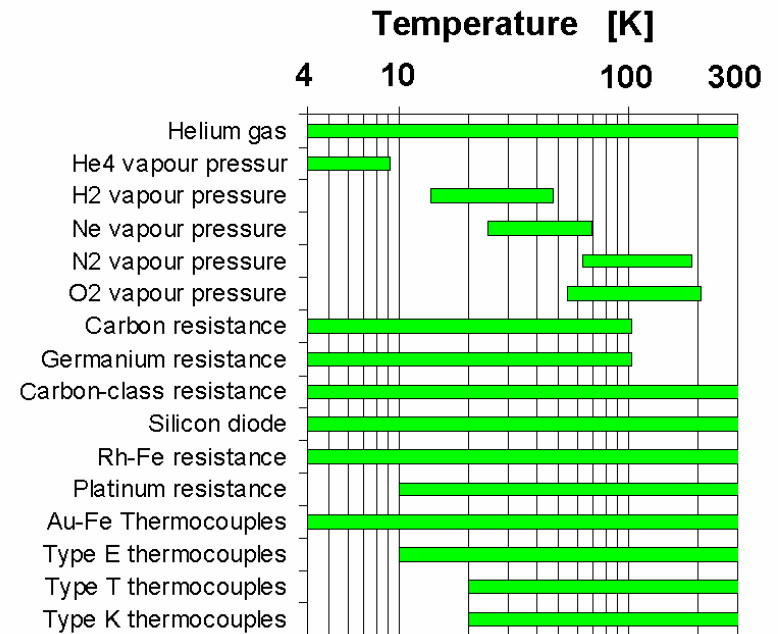
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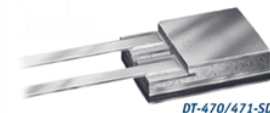


# Instrumentation - temperature measurement

- Primary thermometers
  - gas thermometer
  - vapour thermometer
- Secondary thermometers
  - metallic resistances
  - non-metallic resistances
  - thermocouples
  - others: capacitance  $t$ ; resonance  $t$ ; inductance  $t$ .
- Precision factors
  - sensitivity (e.g.  $\Omega/K$ )
  - reproducibility (factors - installation, self heating, ageing)
  - magnet field dependence



PT 100



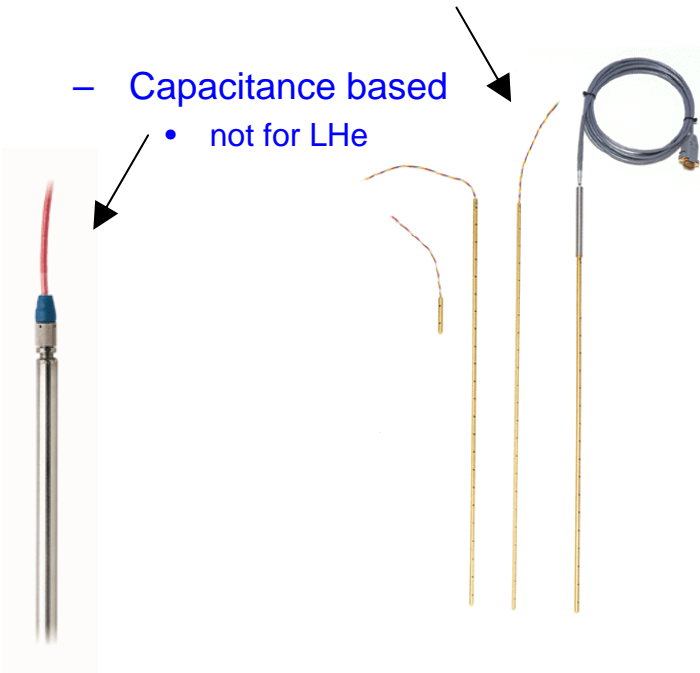
Silicon diode



# Instrumentation - level and flow

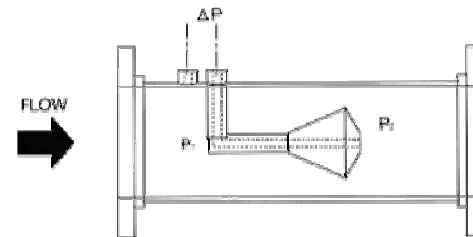
- Level measurement

- Differential pressure
- Superconducting wire
- Capacitance based
  - not for LHe



- Flow measurement

- Differential pressure method
  - orifice
  - Venturi tube
  - V-cone
- Other physical principles
  - Coriolis
  - Turbine

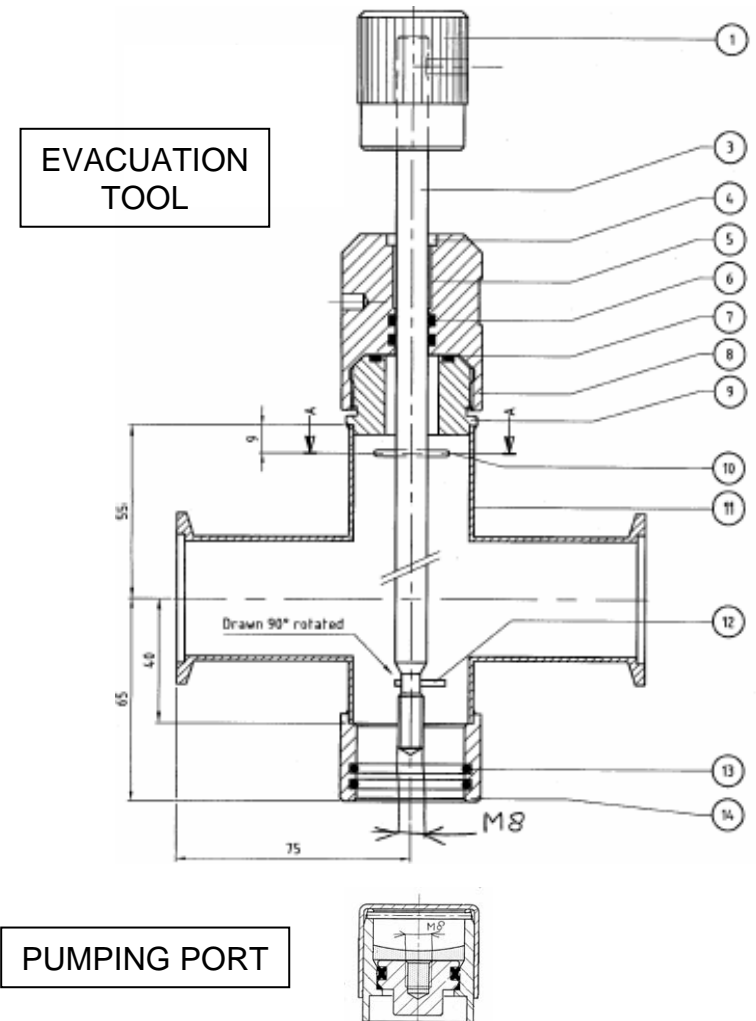


V-cone



# Insulation vacuum - permanent vacuum

- Operation range  
 $10^{-3}$ mbar (RT) -  $10^{-5}$ mbar (cold)  
(i.e.  $10^{-1}$ Pa -  $10^{-3}$ Pa)
- Privilege weld connections
- Avoid elastomer joints (diffusion)
- Extension of the up-time by  
installation of adsorber packages  
on the cold surfaces  
→ activation (regeneration) is  
important





# Insulation vacuum - pumped vacuum

- Operation range  
 $10^{-5}$ mbar ( $=10^{-3}$ Pa) and better

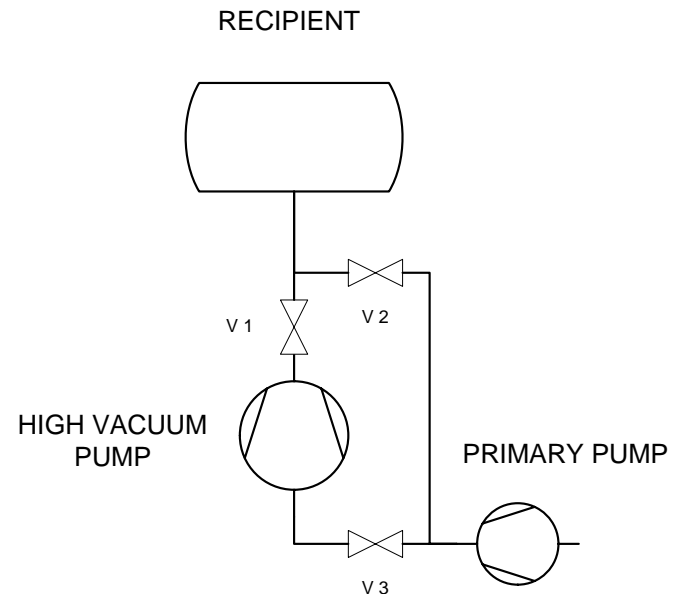
- Primary pump  
rule of thumb for pumping speed

$$S_{\text{Primary Pump}} > 0.005 \times S_{\text{High Vacuum Pump}}$$

- Secondary pump (high vac. pump) types

Diffusion pump  
advantage - cheap

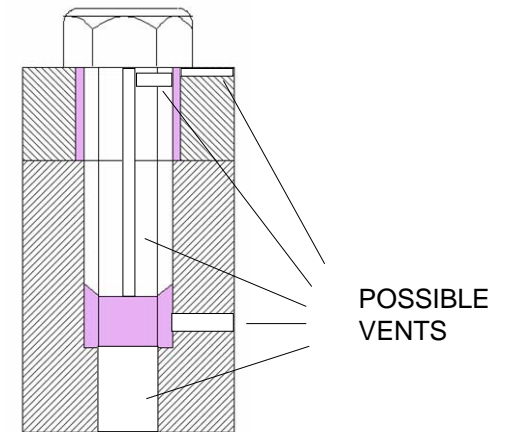
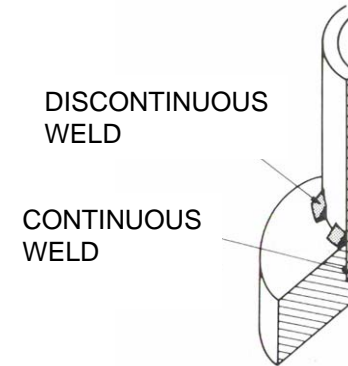
Turbomolecular pump  
the pumping speed depends on the  
molecular weight  $\Rightarrow$   
advantage - hydrocarbon free vacuum  
disadvantage - low pumping speed for  
He and H<sub>2</sub>





# Insulation vacuum - vacuum technique

- avoid trapped volumes
  - trapped volumes can create virtual leaks







# Day 3



# Introduction to Cryogenic Engineering

MONDAY From History to Modern Refrigeration Cycles (G. Perinić)

TUESDAY Standard Components, Cryogenic Design (G. Perinić)

WEDNESDAY Heat Transfer and Insulation (G. Vandoni)

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FRIDAY Applications of Cryogenic Engineering (T. Niinikoski)



# Safety



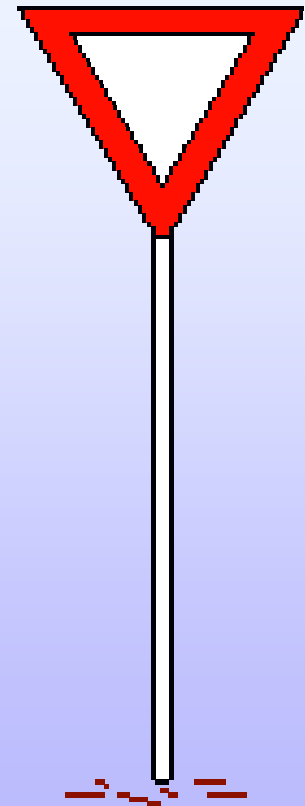
# Physiological Hazards

Cold Burns - Asphyxiation - Toxicity

- Cold Burns
  - Contact with cryogenic liquids or cold surfaces

- Asphyxiation
  - Reduction of oxygen content

- Toxicity
  - CO, F<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>





# Physiological Hazards

**Cold Burns** - Asphyxiation - Toxicity

- **Effects:**

Similar to burns

- **First Aid:**

- = identical procedure as in the case of burns
- rinse injured part with lukewarm water
- cover injured skin with sterile gaze
- do not apply powder or creams

- **Protection:**

- eye protection
- gloves of insulating and non combustible material which can be easily removed
- high, tight-fitting shoes
- trousers (without turn-ups) which overlap the shoes





# Physiological Hazards

Cold Burns - **Asphyxiation** - Toxicity

- **Effect:**

- 19% - 15% pronounced reduction of reaction speed
- 15% - 12% deep breaths, fast pulse, co-ordination difficulties
- 12% - 10% vertigo, false judgement, lips slightly blue
- 10% - 8% nausea, vomiting, unconsciousness
- 8% - 6% death within 8 minutes, from 4-8 minutes brain damages
- 4% coma within 40 seconds, no breathing, death

- **First Aid:**

In case of indisposition - remove person from the danger area.  
In case of unconsciousness - call doctor immediately.

- **Protection / Prevention:**

- ensure sufficient ventilation + oxygen monitors
- Dewar content [l] < laboratory content [m<sup>3</sup>] / 4
- Feed exhaust into stack or into recovery pipeline
- Decanting stations only in large halls or outside
- Observe rules for confined spaces
- Observe the rules for transport of dangerous goods





# Physiological Hazards

Cold Burns - **Asphyxiation** - Toxicity





# Physiological Hazards

Cold Burns - Asphyxiation - **Toxicity**

- **Effect:**

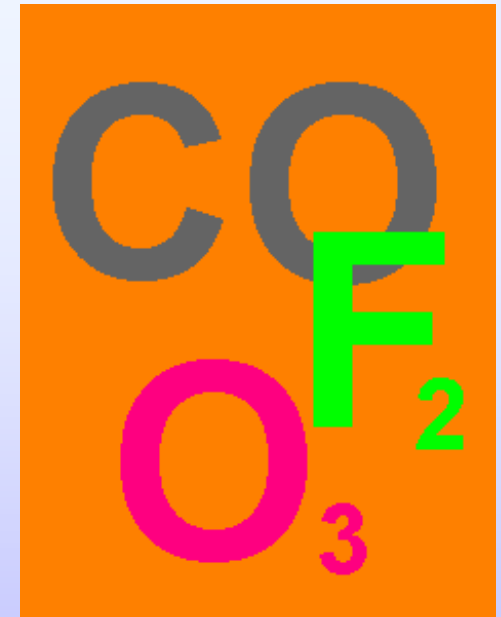
- *Carbon monoxide* – Poisoning by replacement of oxygen in the blood
- *Ozone* - Irritation of eyes and skin already by concentrations as low as 1ppm.
- *Fluorine* - Irritation of eyes and skin.

- **First Aid:**

- *Carbon monoxide* – same as asphyxiation
- *Ozone and Fluorine* - Rinse thoroughly the affected areas of skin with tap water.

- **Protection / Prevention:**

- *Carbon monoxide and Ozone* – same as asphyxiation.
- *Fluorine* - The pungent smell is already detected by the human nose at concentrations of 0.2ppm.







# Physiological Hazards

## Marking/identification

→ Warning of „cold“:



→ Storage and transport vessels (EN DIN 1251):

for example –

**LIQUID NITROGEN**

→ Pipes, pipelines and exhausts - recommendation (DIN 2403):

for example -

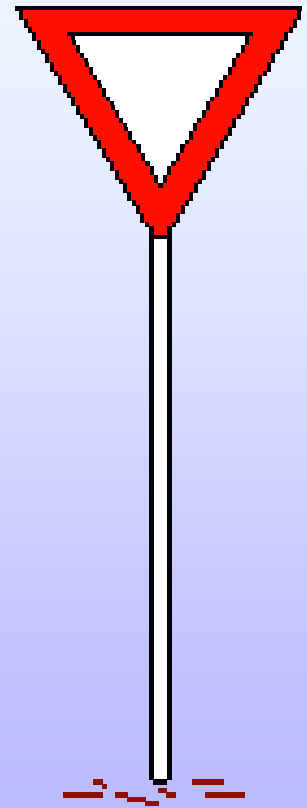




# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

- Embrittlement
- Thermal stress
- Pressure build-up by evaporation
- Condensation
- Combustion and explosion hazard
- Electric breakdown
- Accidents and failures due to operation



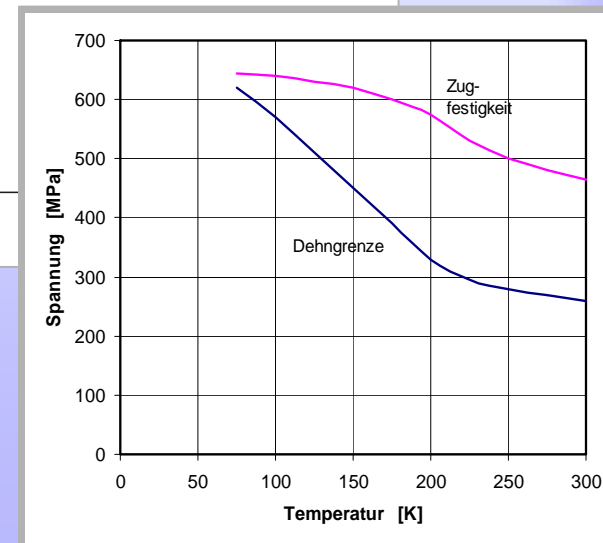
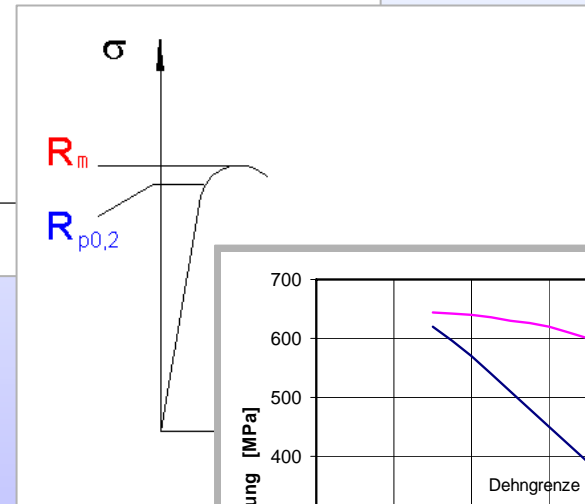
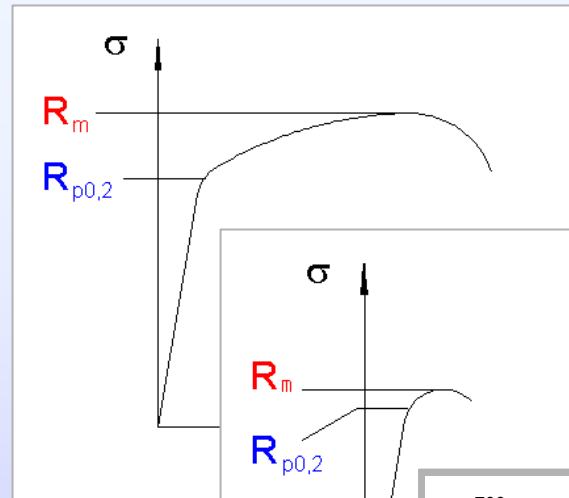


# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

- **Low temperature embrittlement**

- Affects most materials more or less pronounced
- Is measured by  
→ Charpy impact tests
- Suitable for low temperatures are materials with fcc structure  
→ e.g. Cu, Ni, Cu Ni, Al, Al-alloys, Zr, Ti, stainless steels see AD W10

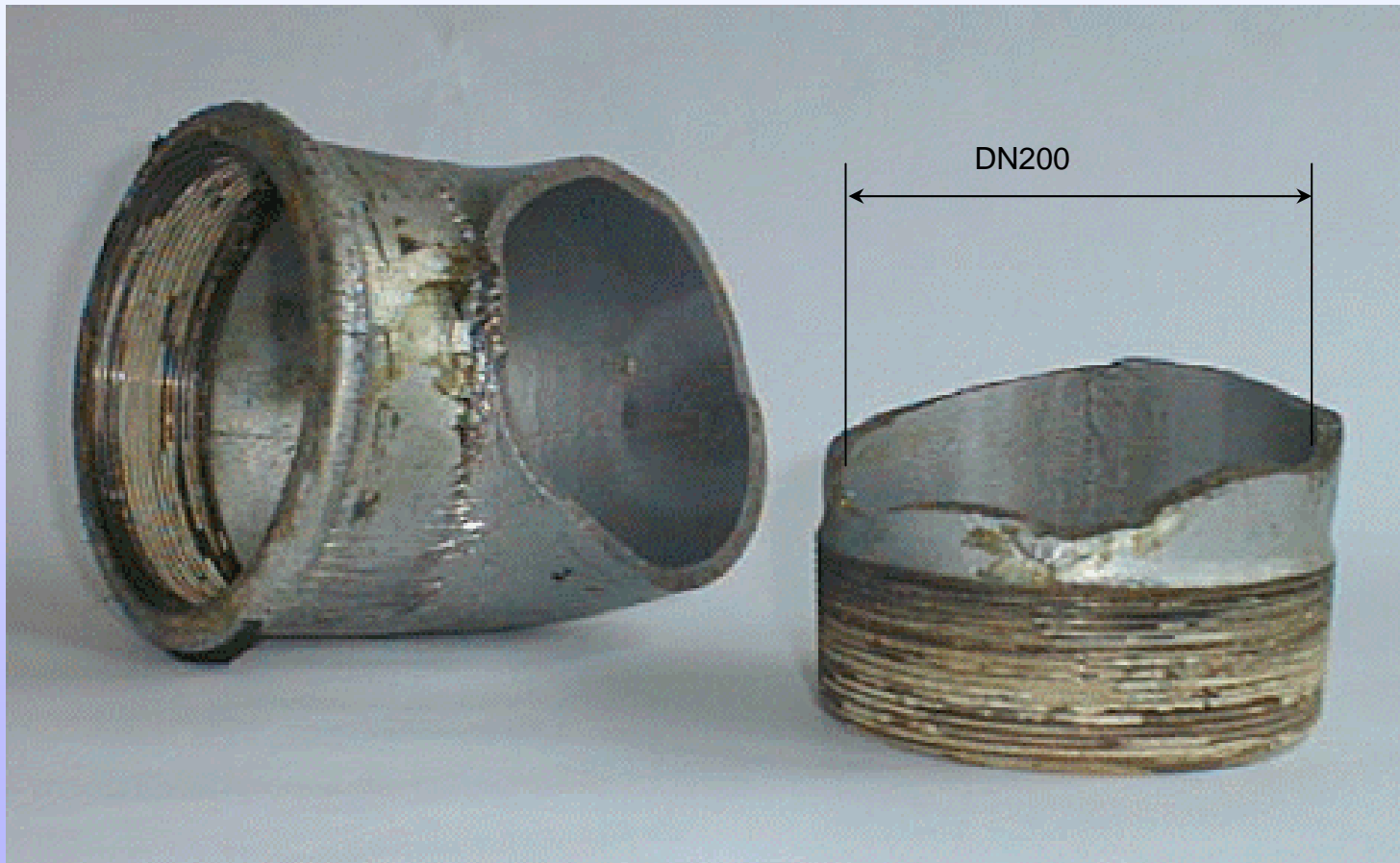




# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

- **Low temperature embrittlement**





# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

- **Hydrogen embrittlement**
  - Several mechanisms exist, can originate from material production or from operation
  - At risk are:
    - Metals with bcc-structure (e.g. ferritic steels),
    - High tensile steels used in the range 200-300K,
    - Materials under loads close to their limit of elasticity
  - Means of protection:
    - linings or coatings with other metals,
    - over dimensioning

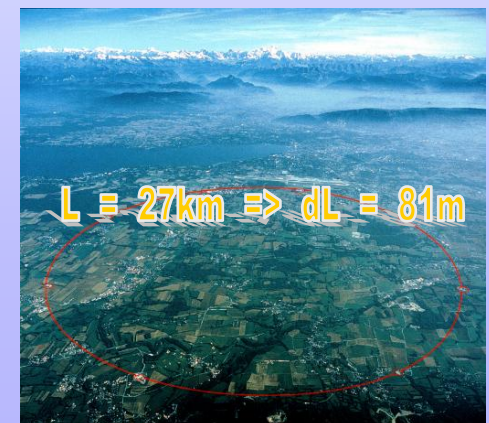
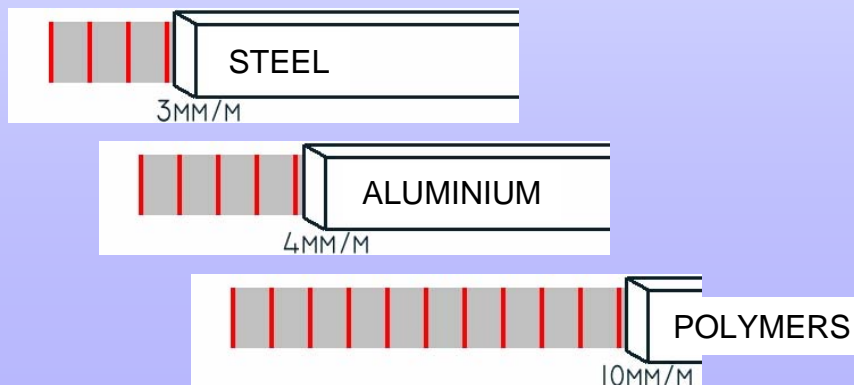
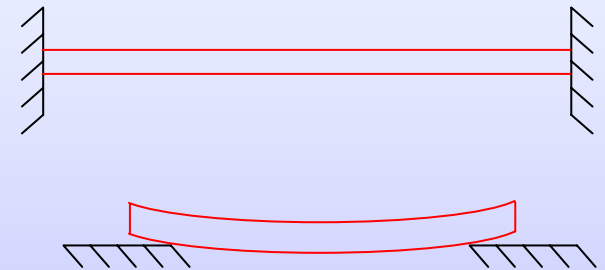


# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

- **Thermal Stress**

- Contraction due to cool-down
- ⇒ permanent loads in operation, e.g. in pipes
- ⇒ temporary loads, e.g. during cool-down of thick walled components





# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

- **Pressure build-up by evaporation**
  - due to excessive heat load
    - Cool-down of a component, of an installation
    - Heating components – heaters, quenching magnet
    - Loss of insulation vacuum
    - thermo-acoustic oscillations (Taconis)
  - due to other physical effects
    - Boiling retardation
    - stratification
    - roll-over (LNG only)
    - desorption of cryopumped gas



1l liquid refrigerant ( $T_S$ )

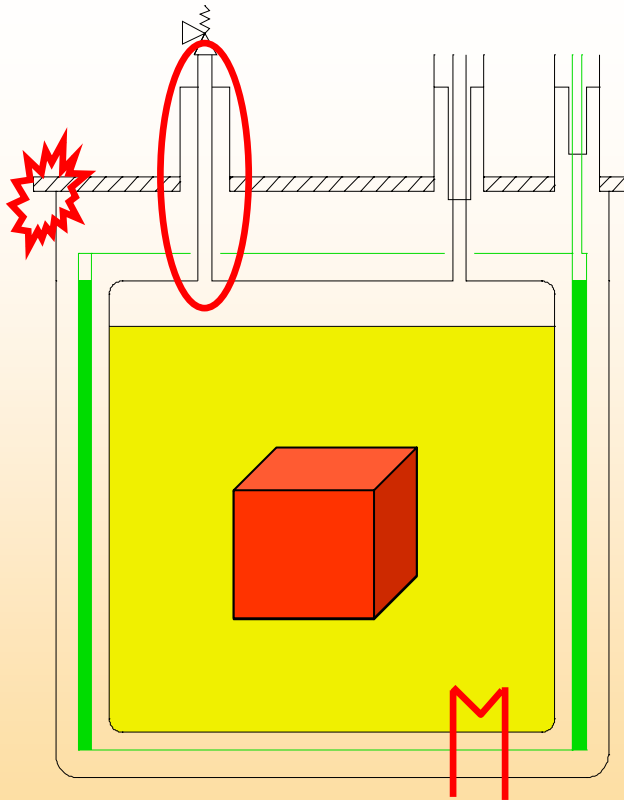


500-1500 l gas (300K)



## Pressure build-up

Evaporation by excessive heat load



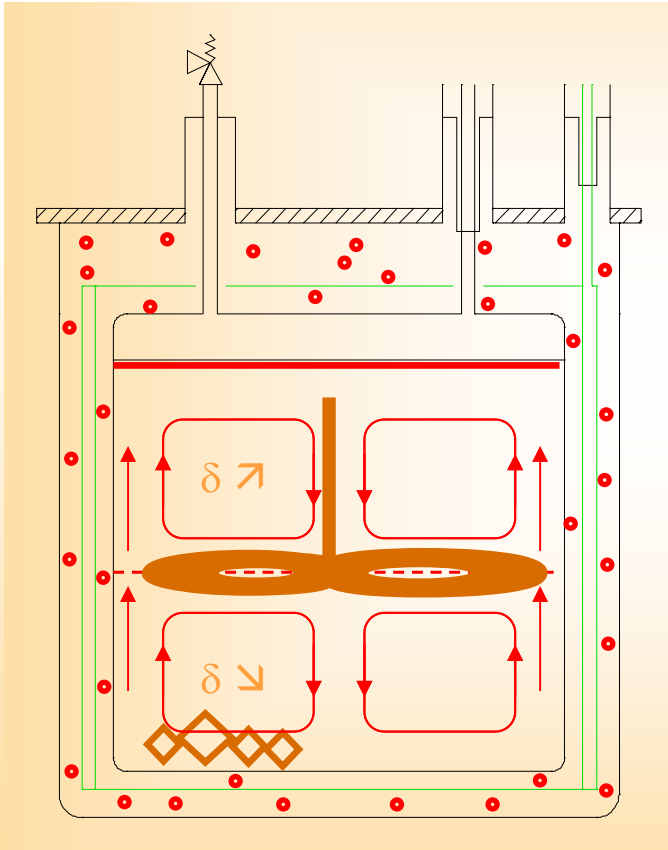
- fast cool-down of
  - a component or
  - a part of the installation
- excessive heating by
  - a component e.g. quench
  - by installations e.g. heaters
- loss of the insulation vacuum
- thermoacoustic oscillations





# Pressure build-up

other physical effects



- boiling retardation
- stratification
- rollover in LNG tanks
- release of cryopumped gas



# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

- **Pressure build-up**

**Means of protection:**

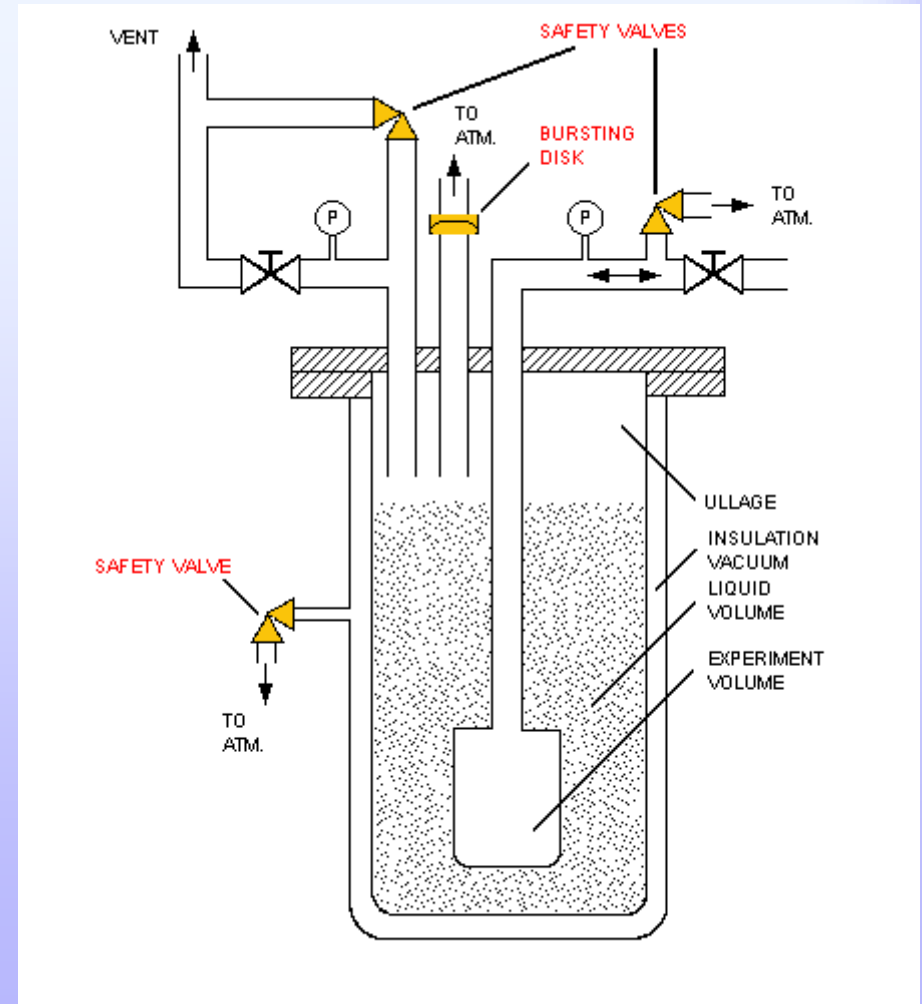
- safety devices

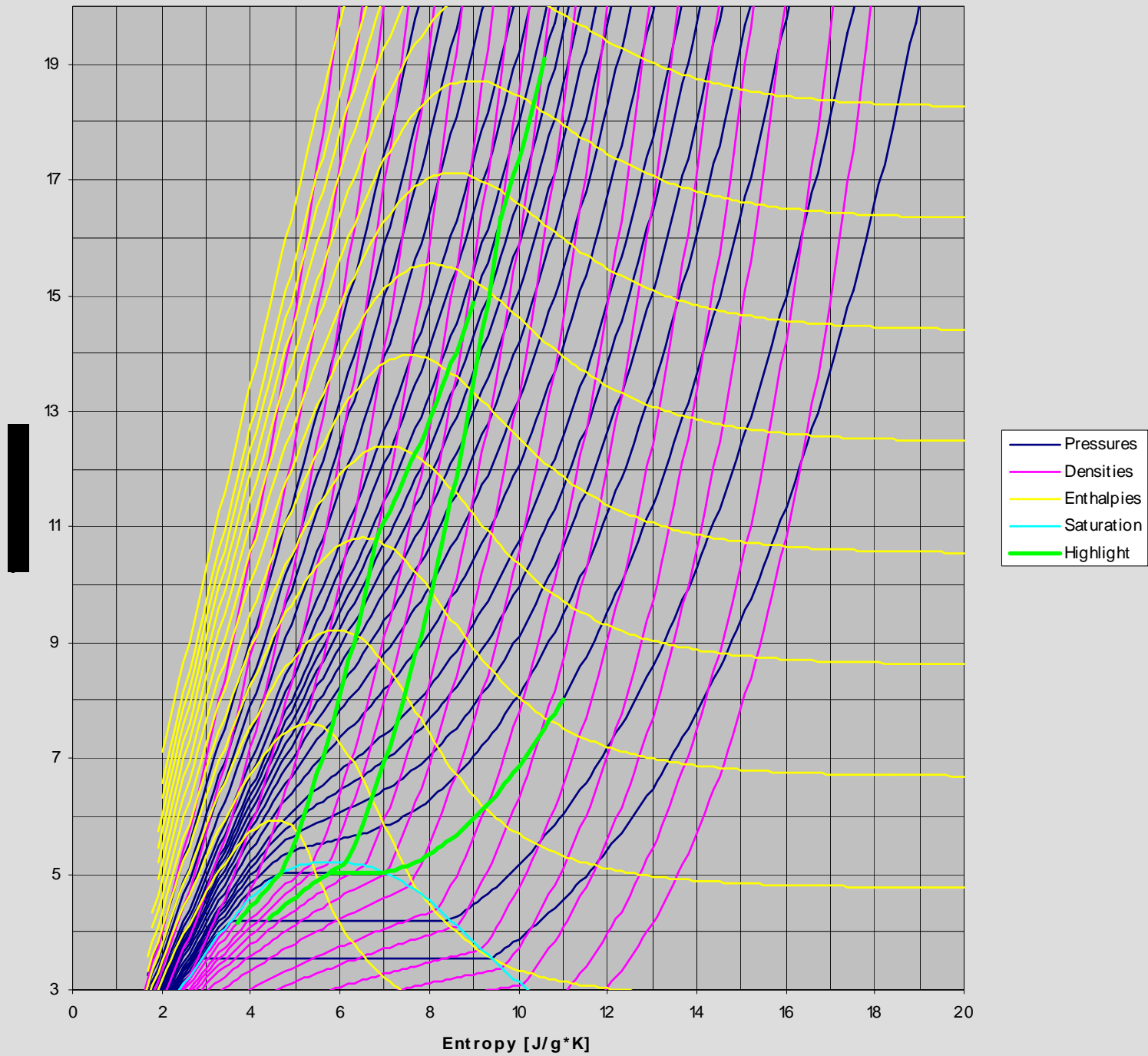
**Principles:**

- redundancy and
- diversity

**Calculation of safety valves:**

- AD-Merkblatt A1/A2
- DIN EN 13648 (=ISO 21013)







## Calculation of safety valves for LHe-containers

### 1. Determination of the maximum heat flux

Possible heat sources:

- loss of vacuum,
- fire,
- electrical heaters,
- quench in superconducting coils, etc.

typical heat flux in case of insulation vacuum loss:

0.6W/cm<sup>2</sup>      LHe-cryostat with 10 layers superinsul.

3.8W/cm<sup>2</sup>      LHe-cryostat without superinsulation

from W. Lehmann, G. Zahn, "Safety aspects for LHe cryostats and LHe containers", *Proc. of the Int. Cryog. Eng. Conf.*, **7** (1978) 569-579.



## 2. Determination of the gas flux

a) Blow-off pressure below critical pressure

$$\dot{m}_{\text{blow-off}} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{\text{surface}}}{q} \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_{\text{gas}}}{\rho_{\text{liquid}}} \right)$$

with  $q = \Delta h_{\text{evaporation}}$

(in general  $\Delta h_{\text{He}} \approx \Delta h_{\text{He}}(1,01325\text{bar}, 4,222\text{K}) = 20.91\text{J/s}$ )

b) Blow-off pressure above critical pressure

$$\dot{m}_{\text{blow-off}} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{\text{surface}}}{q}$$

with  $q = v \left( \frac{dh}{dv} \right)_{p=\text{const.}}$

(up to 5bar  $V(dh/dV) \approx \Delta h_{\text{He}}(1,01325\text{bar}, 4,222\text{K}) = 20.91\text{J/s}$ )

$$\dot{m}_{\text{blow-off}} = \max \quad \text{for} \quad v \left( \frac{dh}{dv} \right) = \min$$



## Minima of the pseudo-evaporation enthalpy of helium as a function of the pressure

blow-off pressure [bara]	minimal pseudo- evaporation enthalpy [J/g]	temperature at which the pseudo- evaporation enthalpy is at its minimum [K]
5	22.5	6.4
6	25.5	6.8
8	31.2	7.4
10	36.7	7.9
12	41.9	8.4
14	46.8	8.8
18	56.2	9.4
22	65.1	9.7
26	73.3	9.9
30	81.0	9.6
40	95.9	6.6



### 3. Determination of the minimum blow-off aperture

following AD Merkblatt A1, Verband der Technischen Überwachungs-Vereine e.V. (1995).

a) outflow function  $\psi$

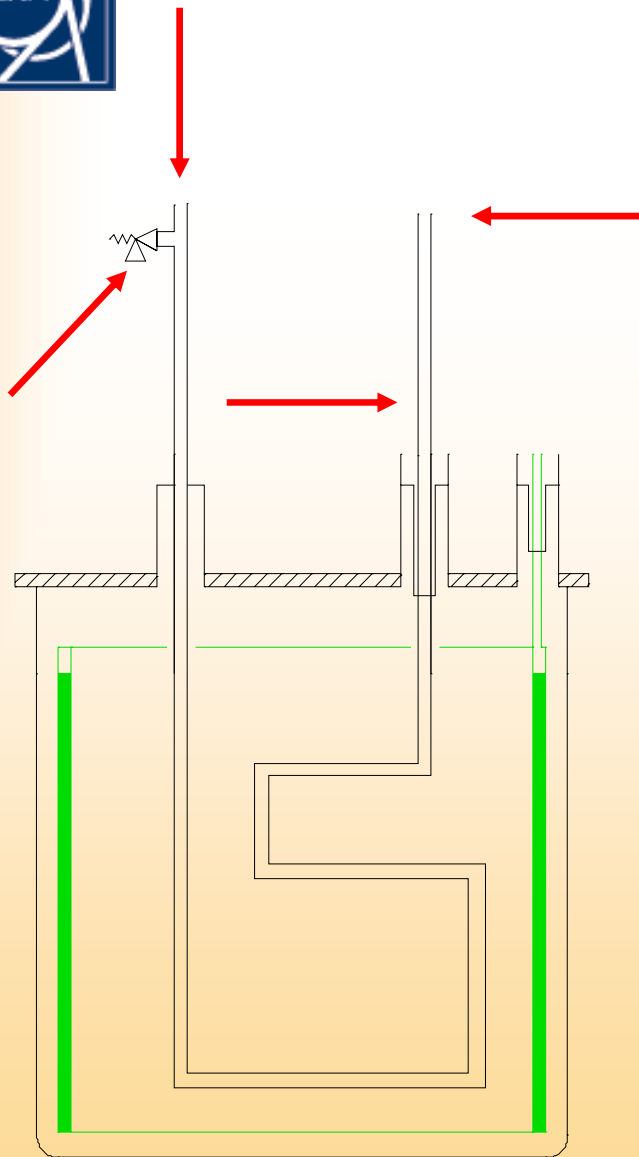
If 
$$\frac{P_{\text{gegen}}}{P_{\text{Kryostat}}} > \left( \frac{2}{\kappa + 1} \right)^{\frac{\kappa}{\kappa - 1}}$$

then (subcritical) 
$$\psi = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{\kappa - 1}} * \sqrt{\left( \frac{P_{\text{gegen}}}{P_{\text{Kryostat}}} \right)^{\frac{2}{\kappa}} - \left( \frac{P_{\text{gegen}}}{P_{\text{Kryostat}}} \right)^{\frac{\kappa + 1}{\kappa}}}$$

else (supercritical) 
$$\psi = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{\kappa + 1}} * \left( \frac{2}{\kappa + 1} \right)^{\frac{1}{\kappa - 1}}$$

b) minimum blow-off surface

$$A_{\text{min.}} = \frac{\dot{m}}{\psi \alpha \sqrt{2} p_{\text{cryostat}} \rho} \quad \text{with } \alpha = \text{outflow coefficient} \in \{0..1\}$$



## Condensation

### Causes

- impurities in refrigerant (air, neon, oil)
- leaks, especially in sub-atmospheric conditions
- open exhaust pipes
- not insulated or badly insul. surfaces leaks into the insulation vacuum

### Prevention

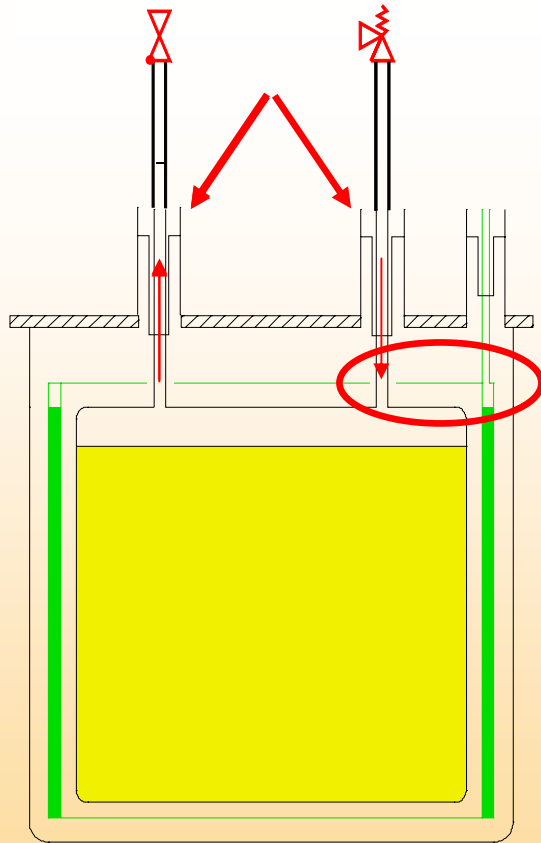
- ⇒ extensive purging and repeated evacuation before cool-down
- ⇒ operation with slight overpressure
- ⇒ use of vacuum insulation where possible – otherways use only non-combustible insulation material equipped with a vapour barrier in order to stop air and oxygen from reaching the cold surface





# Condensation

Plugging of exhaust pipes



- open or leaky exhaust pipes  
**Attention: acceleration by two exhausts!**

- thermally connected LN2-screens
- leaks when pumping on cryogen baths

## Prevention:

- ⇒ do not leave open dewars
- ⇒ non-return valves in exhaust lines
- ⇒ use only containers with separated exhaust and safety lines



# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

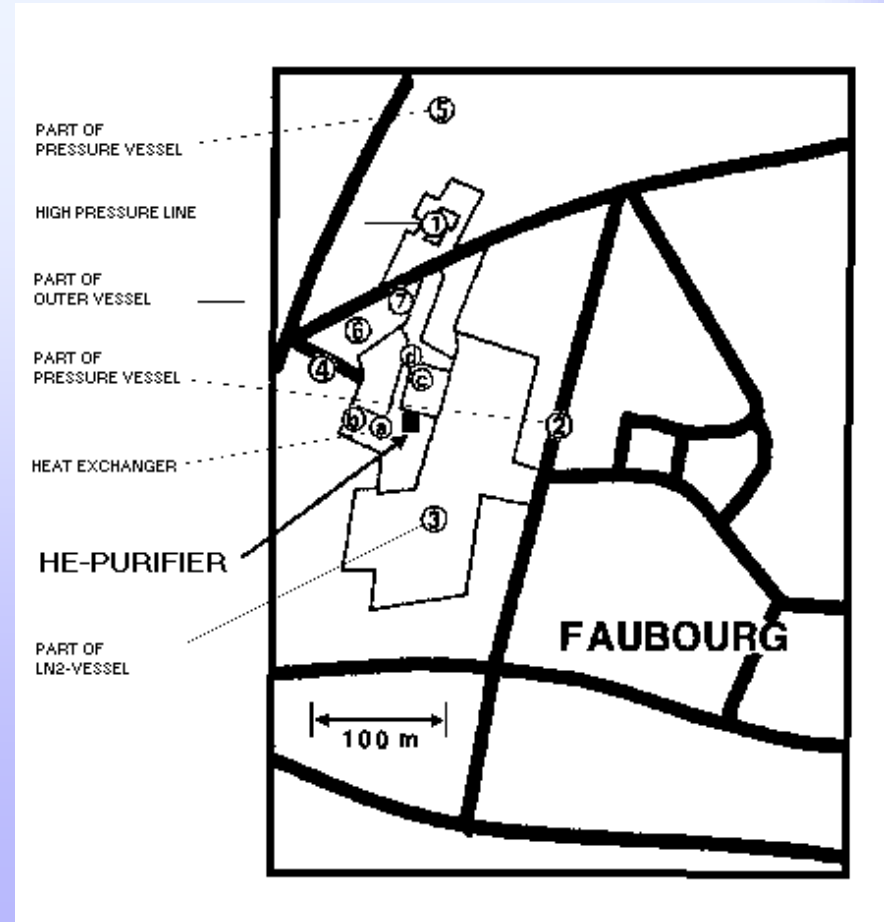
- **Fire and explosion risk:**

Methane, LNG, Hydrogen

**Other combustion dangers:**

Superinsulation foils on Polyester base (Mylar®) can be ignited easily!

– Protect when welding!

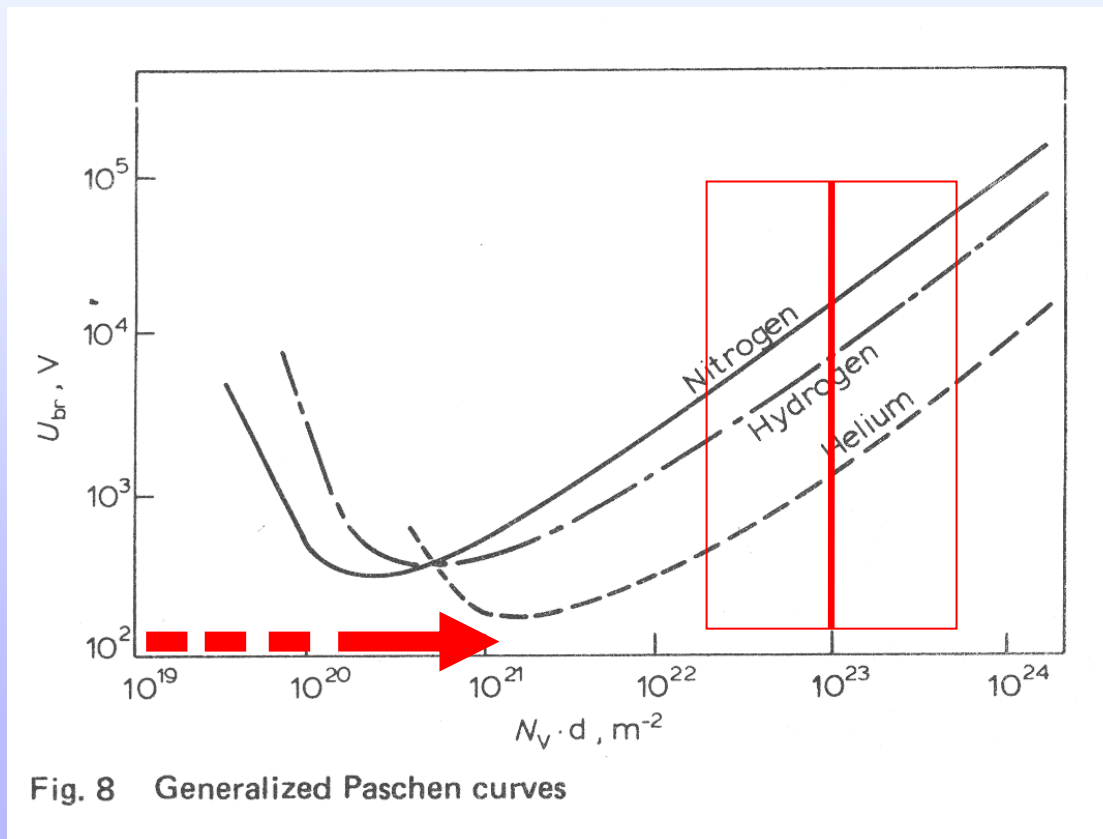




# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

- Electric breakdown



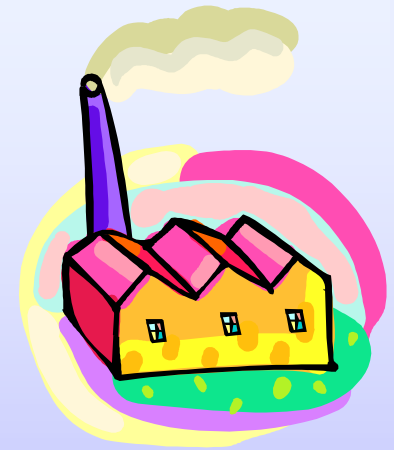


# Sources of accidents and failures

Properties of materials – Properties of refrigerants - Operation

- **Plant operation**

- operator errors
- usage of unsuitable equipment
- operating system errors
- malfunctioning or failures of components
- failure of safety equipment
- Transport accidents
- etc.



## Preventive measures:

- Safety analysis and safety management



# Information

# Sources



# Information sources - literature 1

Titel	Autor	Verlag	Jahr	lieferbar	Kryogene	Werkstoffe	Wärmeübertragung	Thermodynamik Prozesse	Komponenten Kälteanlagen	Kryostatbau	Instrumentierung	Sicherheit	weitere Themen
Cryocoolers I	G. Walker	Plenum Press	1983					+++	++				
Cryocoolers II	G. Walker	Plenum Press	1983		+			+	+++				++
Cryogenic Engineering	T.M. Flynn	Dekker	1997	X	++	++	+	++	++		++	+	++
Cryogenic Engineering	R. Scott	Met Chem. Research	1989										
Cryogenic Engineering	B.A. Hands	Academic Press	1986	X	+	+	++	++	++	++	+	+	
Cryogenic Process Engineering	K.D.Timmerhaus, T.M.Flynn	Plenum Press	1989	X	+	++		+++	++++		++		
Cryogenic Processes and Equipment		ASME	1993	X									
Cryogenic Regenerative Heat Exchangers	R.A. Ackermann	Plenum Press	1997	X									
Cryogenic Systems	R.F. Barron	Oxford Univ. Press	1985	X									
Cryogenics	W.E. Bryson	Hanser	1999	X	nicht wissenschaftlich								
Handbook of Cryogenic Engineering	J.G.Weisend II	Taylor & Francis	1998	X	+	++	+	+	++	+	++	+	+
Helium Cryogenics	S.W.Van Sciver	Plenum Press	1986		++	+	+++	++					
Low-capacity Cryogenic Refrigeration	G. Walker, E.R. Bingham	Clarendon	1994			+		+++	++	+			
Min. refrig. for cryo. sensors and cold electr.	G. Walker	Clarendon	1989					++	+++				
Separation of gases	W.H. Isalski	Clarendon	1989										

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## Information sources - literature 2

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Cryogenic Discharges	E.I. Asinovsky	Taylor & Francis	1999	X									
Cryogenic Fluids Databook	P. Cook		2002	X									
Cryogenic Two Phase Flow	N.N. Filina, J.G. Weisend II	Cambridge Univ. Pre	1996	X									
Cryogenic Heat Transfer	R.F. Barron	Taylor & Francis	1999	X			++++						
Heat Cap. and Thermal Exp. at Low Temp.	T.H.K. Barron	Plenum Press	1999	X		++++							
Thermod. Prop. of Cryogenic Fluids	R.T. Jacobsen, S.G. Penoncello,	Plenum Press	1997	X	++++								
Polymer Prop. at Room and Cryog. Temp.	G. Hartwig	Plenum Press	1994	X		++++							
Safety in the Handl. of Cryog. Fluids	F.J.Edeskuty, W.F.Stewart	Plenum Press	1996	X								++++	
Kryotechnik	W.G. Fastowski, J.W. Petrowski,	Akademie Verlag	1970			+	++	++	++	+	+		+
Tiefemperaturtechnik	H. Hausen, H. Linde	Springer	1985		+		++	+++	+++		+		+++
Tiefemperaturtechnologie	H. Frey, R.A. Haefer	VDI-Verlag	1981		++	++	++	+		+	+		+++
History and origins of cryogenics	R.G. Scurlock	Clarendon	1992										++++

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## Information sources - journals/conferences

- Journals
  - Cryogenics <http://www.elsevier.nl/locate/cryogenics>
- Conferences
  - Listing <http://cern.ch/Goran.Perinic/conf.htm>





# Information sources - data bases/formulas

- free information sources
  - UIDAHO Center for Applied Thermodynamic Studies - cryogen property program <http://www.webpages.uidaho.edu/~cats/software.htm>
  - NIST Cryogenic Technologies Group - material property equations [http://cryogenics.nist.gov/NewFiles/material\\_properties.html](http://cryogenics.nist.gov/NewFiles/material_properties.html)
  - ITS-90 - vapour pressure - temp. equation for helium <http://www.its-90.com/its-90p3.html>
- commercial information sources
  - NIST - Thermodynamic and Transport Properties of Pure Fluids Database <http://www.nist.gov/srd/nist12.htm>
  - CRYODATA - cryogen and material database <http://www.htess.com/software.htm/>
  - Cryogenic Information Center - cryogen and material database and bibliography <http://www.cryoinfo.org/>



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# Extras



# The cryogenists toolbox

- Internal Energy and Enthalpy
- Energy conservation
- Entropy Exergy
- Diagrams TS,
- Cycles
- Efficiency

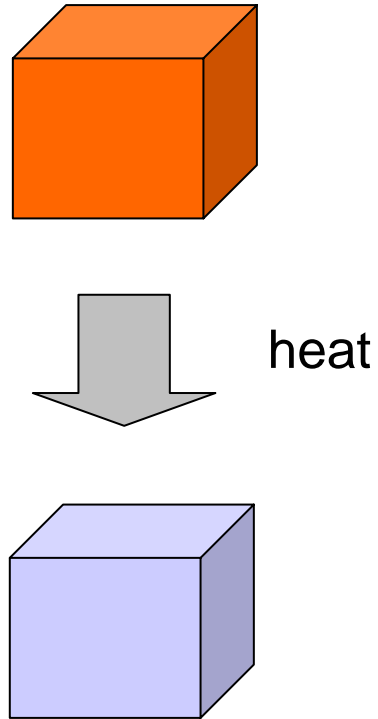


# Energy conservation

- Bernoulli
- static system



# Principles of refrigeration



2nd law of thermodynamics

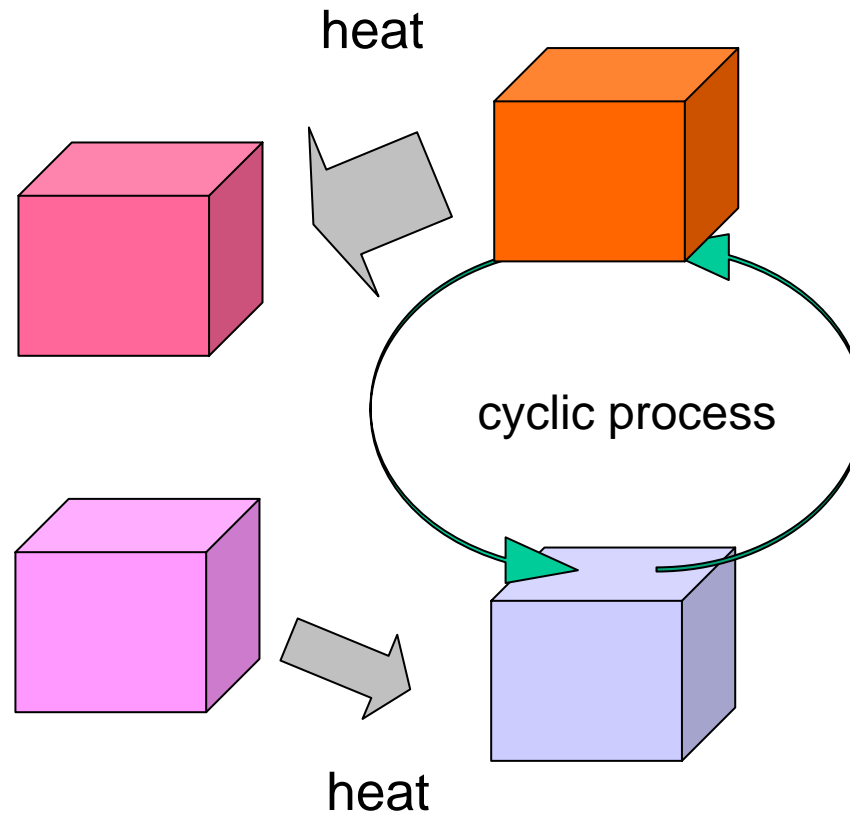


# Entropy

- $dQ/T = S = \text{const}$
- state variables  $p, T, V, U, H, S$



# Principles of refrigeration



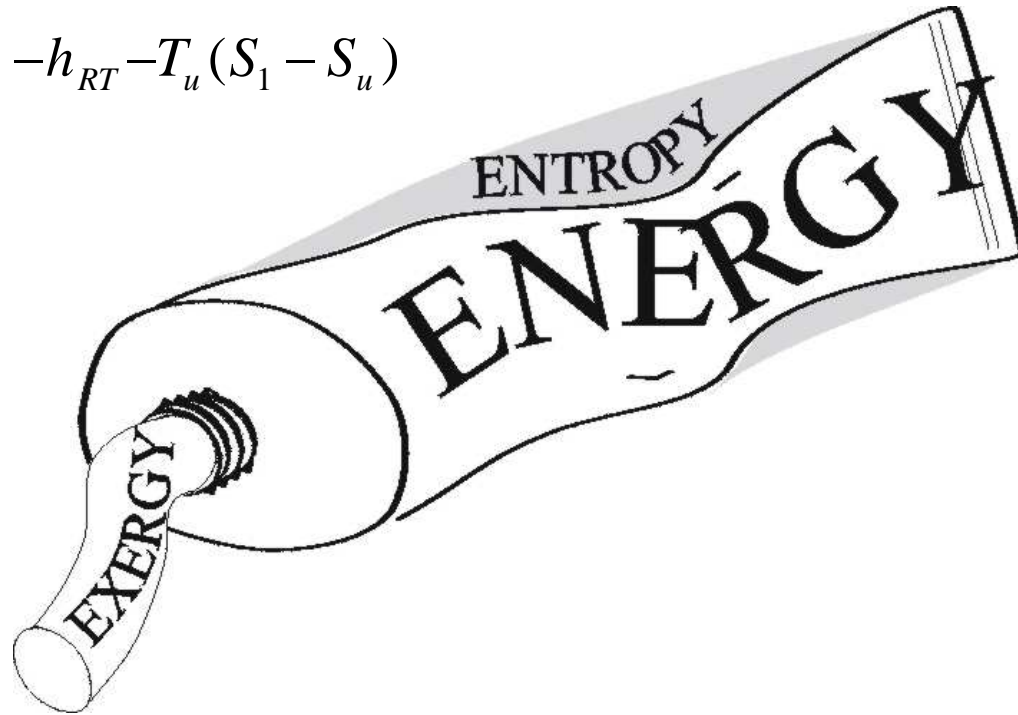
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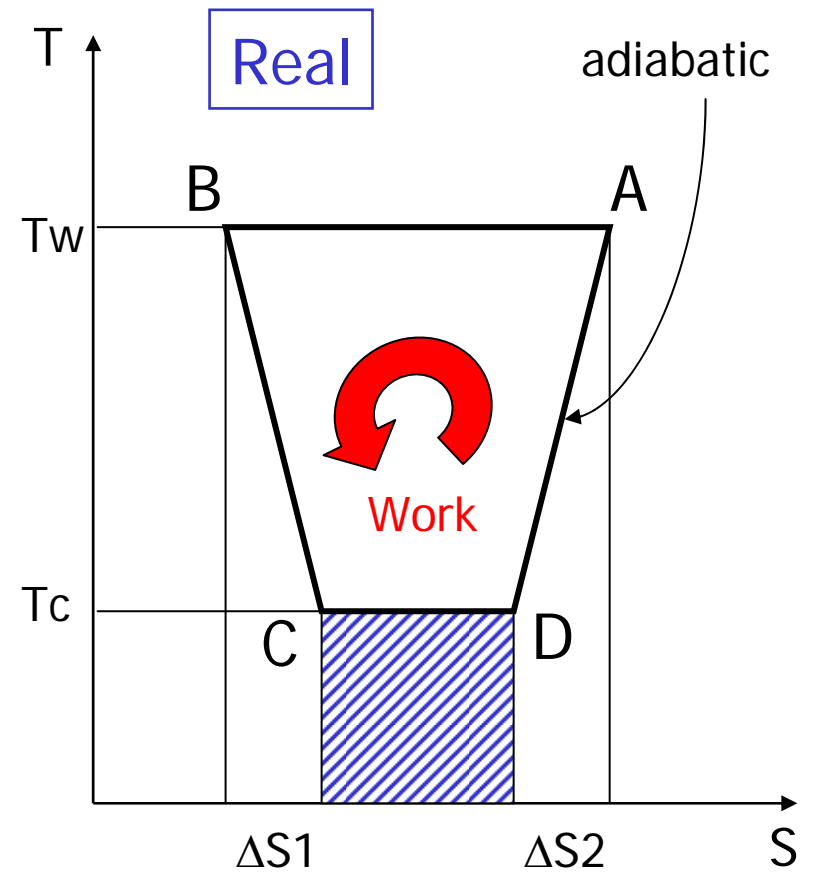
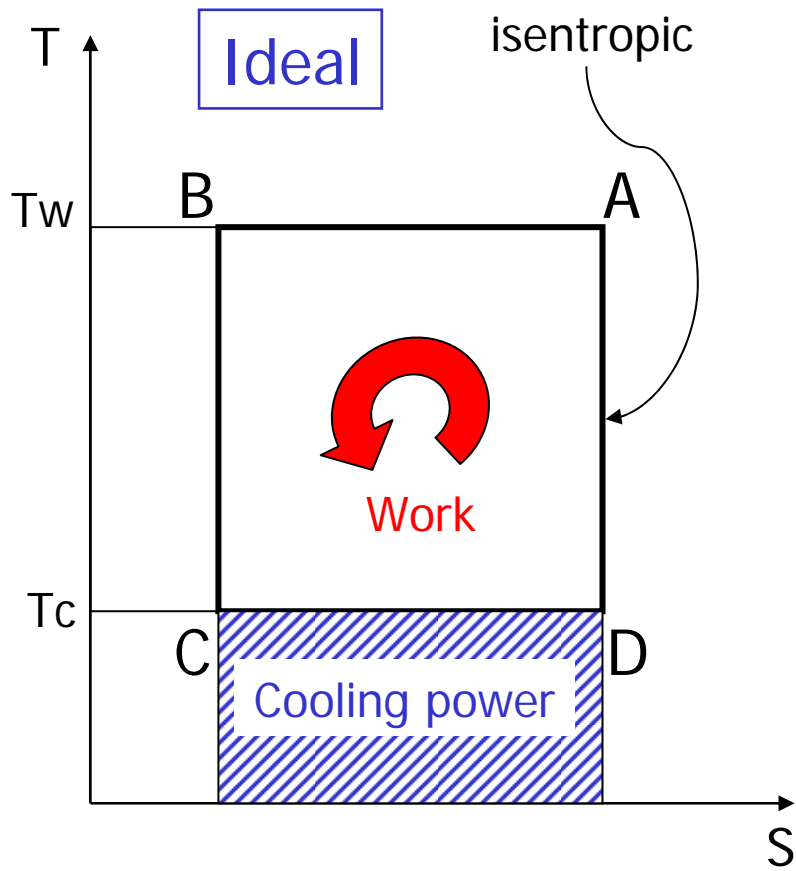




## Exergy

$$-W_{ex} = h_1 - h_{RT} - T_u (S_1 - S_u)$$







# Summary

- throttling
- work



## Cryogenics past to present

- time of I. Newton (1642 - 1727)



- R. Boyle (1627 - 1691); E. Mariotte (1620 - 1684)
- J J Becher (1635 - 1682), G.E Stahl (1660 - 1734)
- G. Amontons (1663 - 1705)



pV=constant  
phlogiston  
absolute zero



## Other talks

- VDI
  - Thermodynamics
  - Refrigerants
  - Material properties
  - Heat transfer
  - Thermal insulation
  - Measurement and controls
  - Safety
  - Microcoolers -- Large refrigerators
  - Cryopumps



## Other talks

- Weisend

- basics
- cryogenics
- materials
- refrigeration
- He II
- cryostat design
- instrumentation
- safety

- Quack

- temperature reduction by throttling or mixing
- temperature reduction by work extraction
- refrigeration cycles
- cryogenics
- cooling principles
- applications



# Throttling - as seen by a thermodynamist

- first law

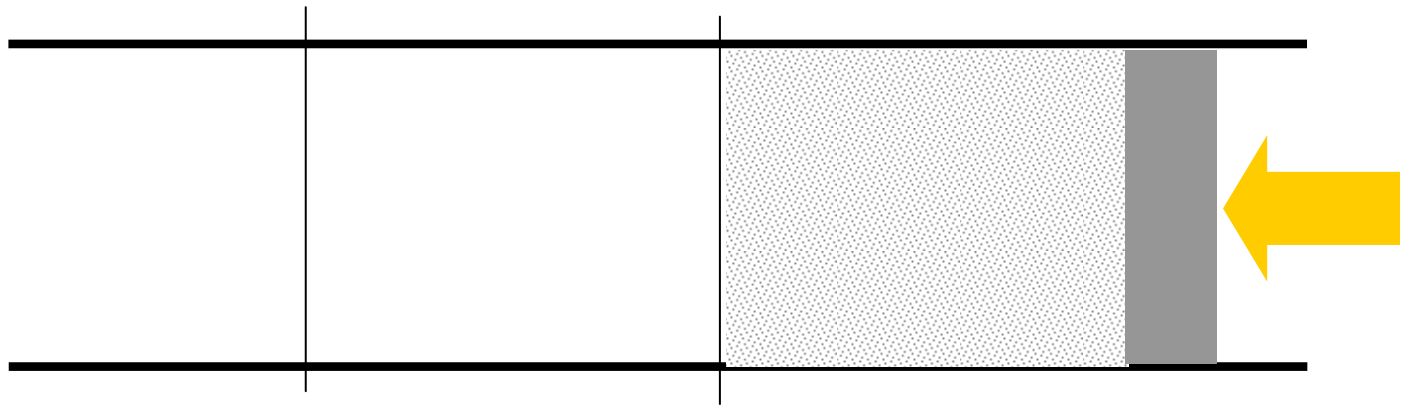
$$dU = dQ + dW = 0$$

- energy content

$$E = U + pV + E_{\text{kin}} + E_{\text{pot}} = H$$

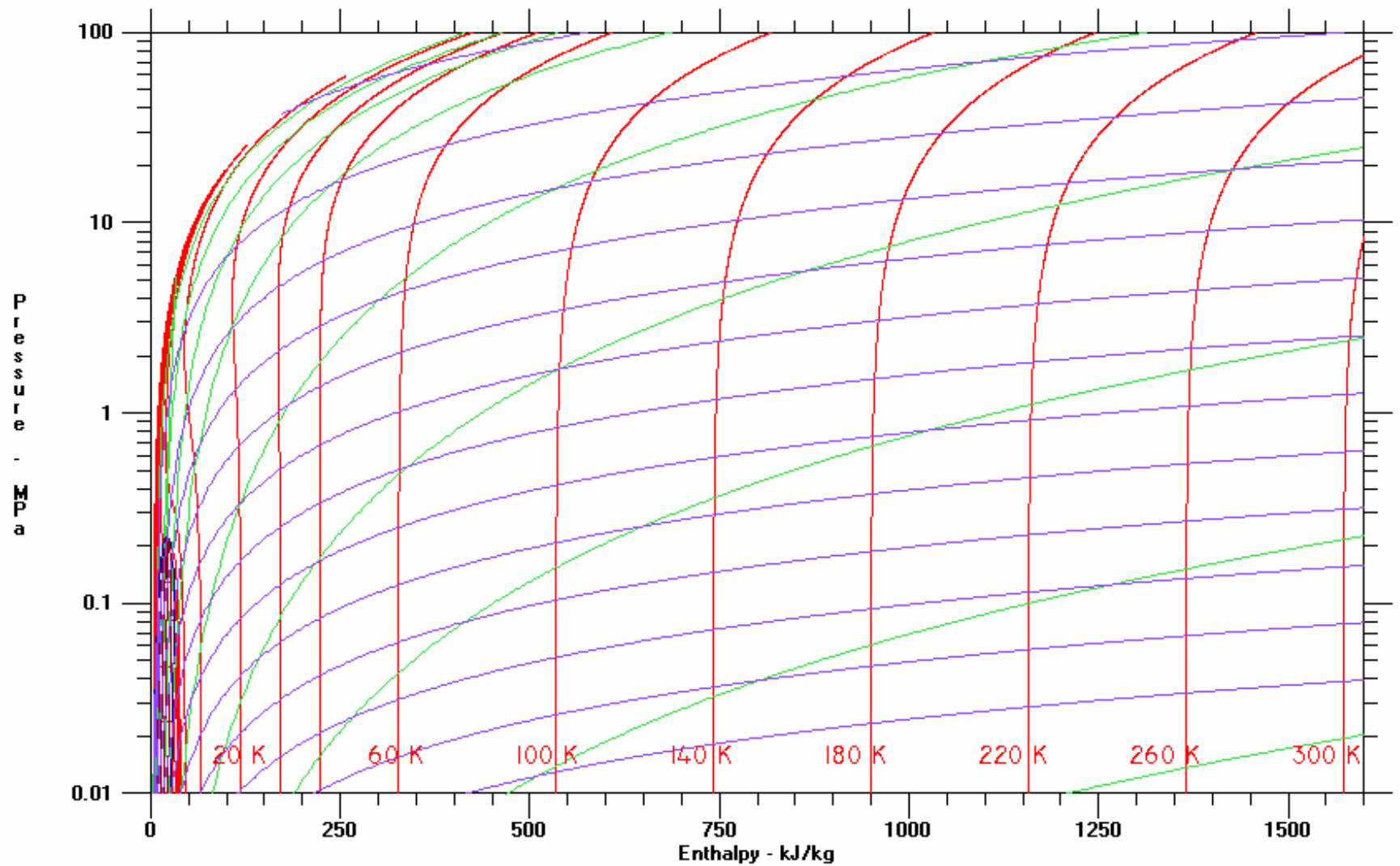
$$m^*u_1 + p_1^*A_1^*w_1 = m(u_1 + p_1v_1) = m^*h_1$$

$$mu_1 + p_1A_1w_1 = m(u_1 + p_1v_1) = mh_1$$



$$mu_1 + p_1A_1w_1 = m(u_1 + p_1v_1) = mh_1$$

$$mu_2 + p_2A_2w_2 = m(u_2 + p_2v_2) = mh_2$$







Sailing ship Dunedin, equipped with a Bell-Coleman air cycle refrigerator. The ship left Port Chalmers on 15 February and arrived in England on 14 May 1882.



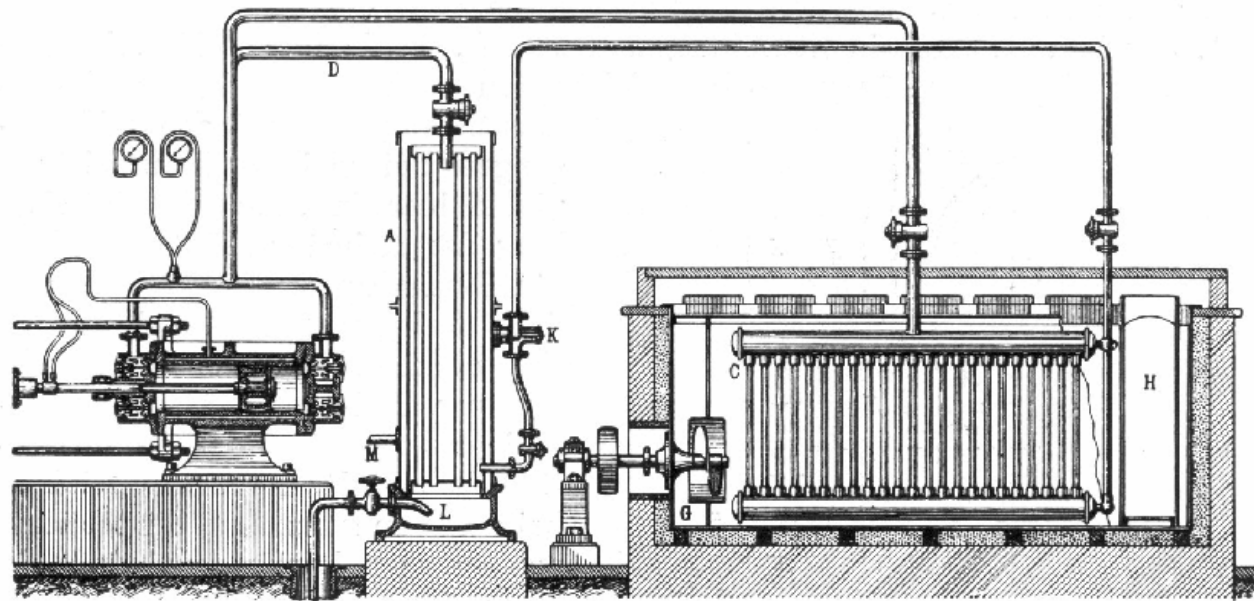
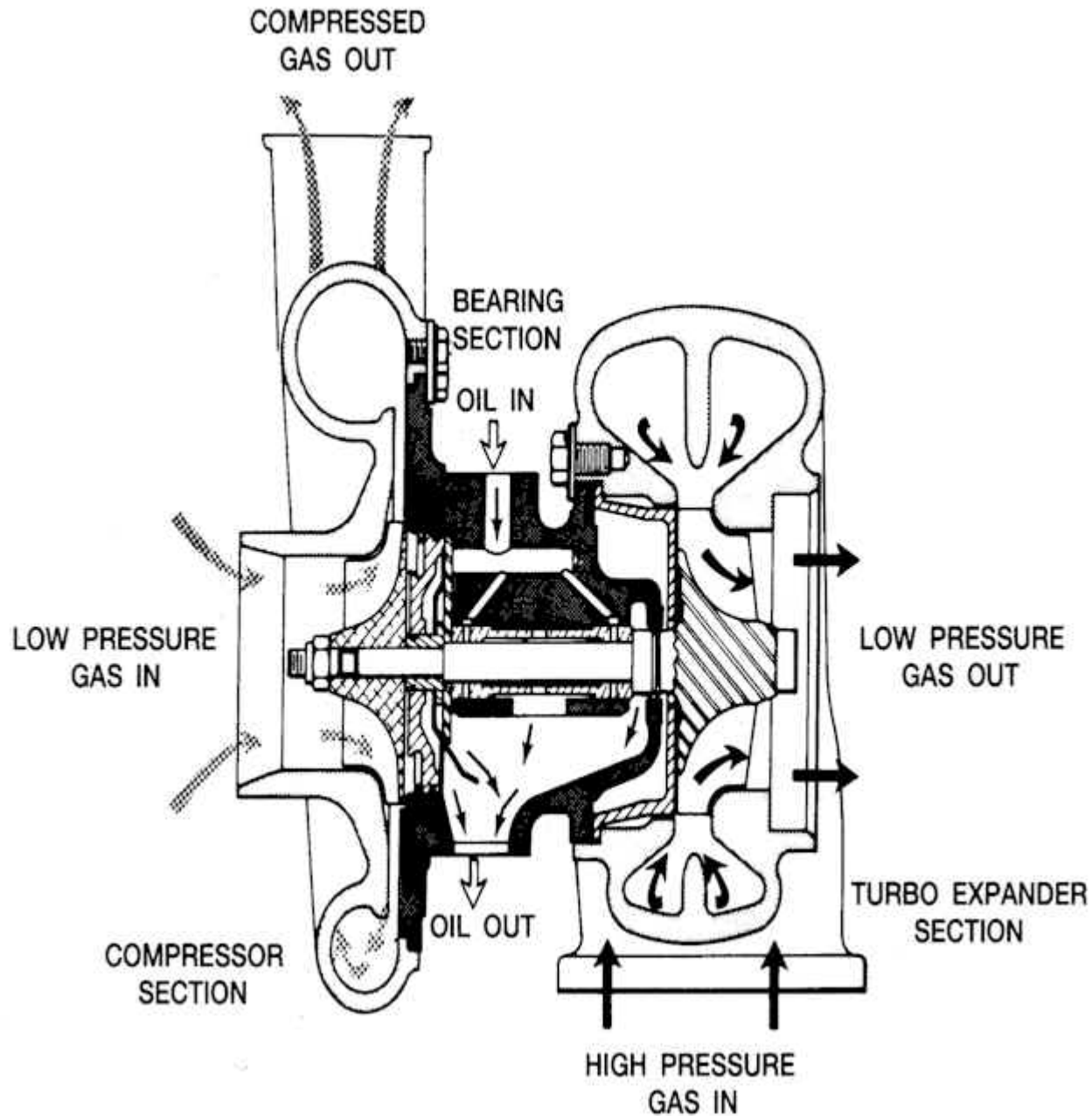


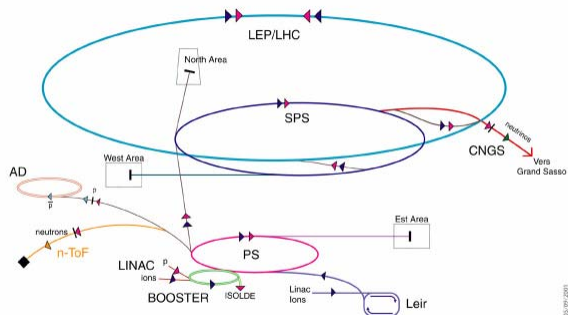
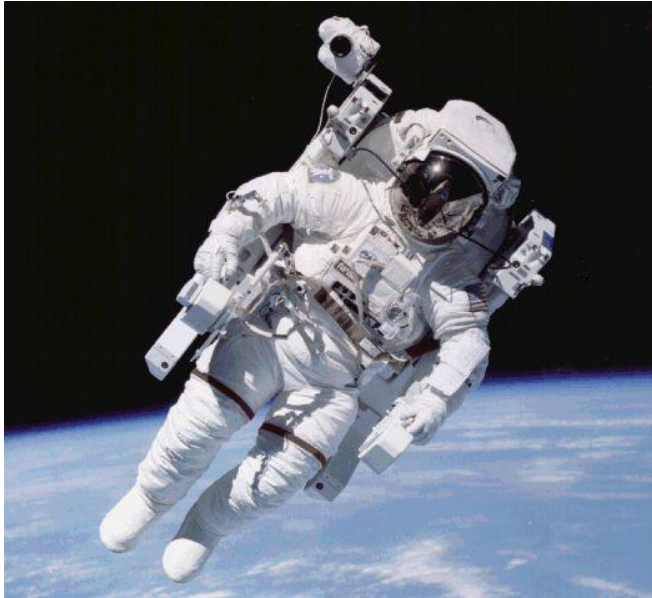
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# What is cryogenics?



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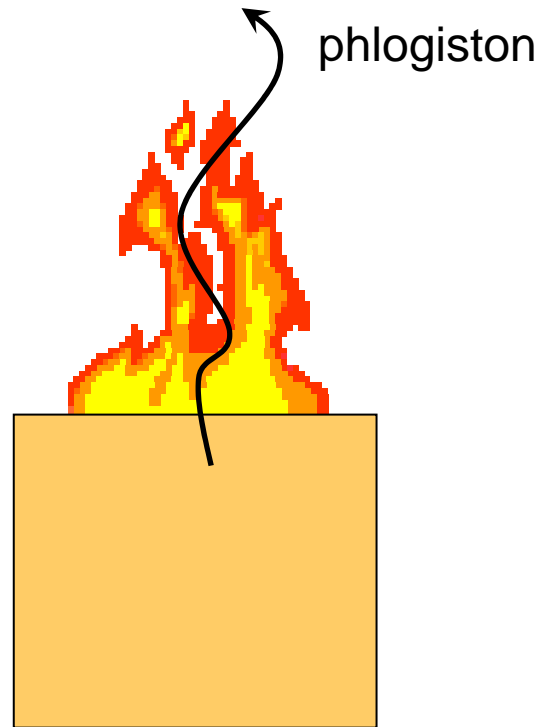


## Time of I. Newton



I. Newton  
1642 - 1727

- J J Becher (1635 - 1682), G.E Stahl (1660 - 1734)

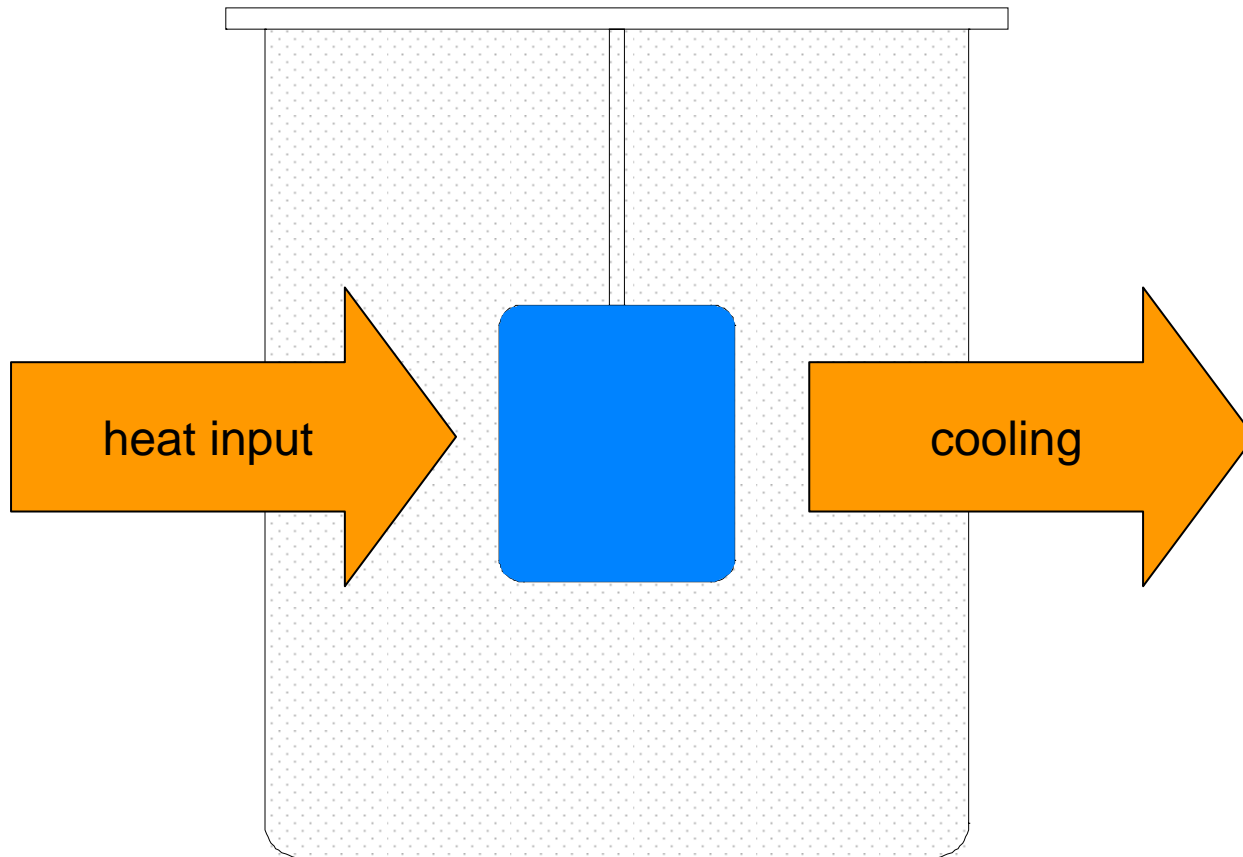




# Heat transfer and insulation

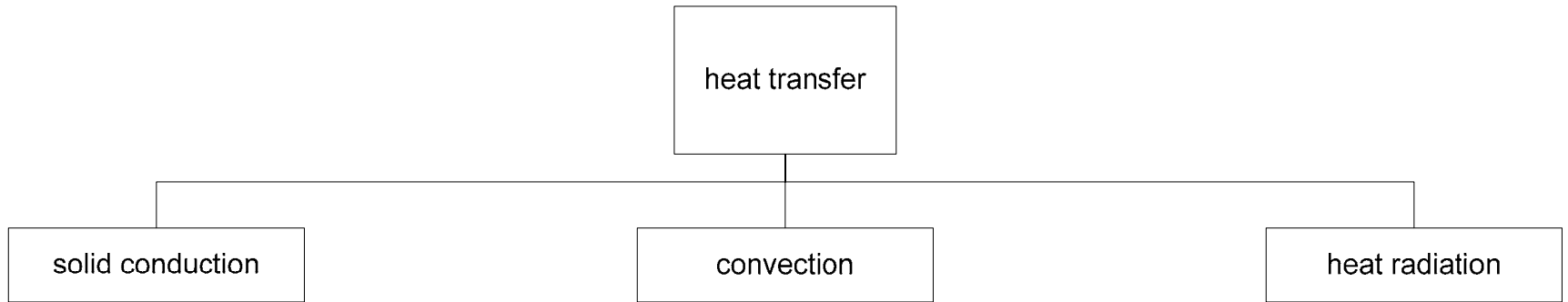


## Cool and keep cold





# cooling or heat removal

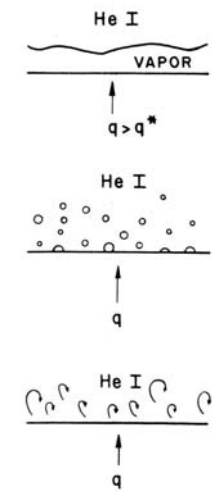
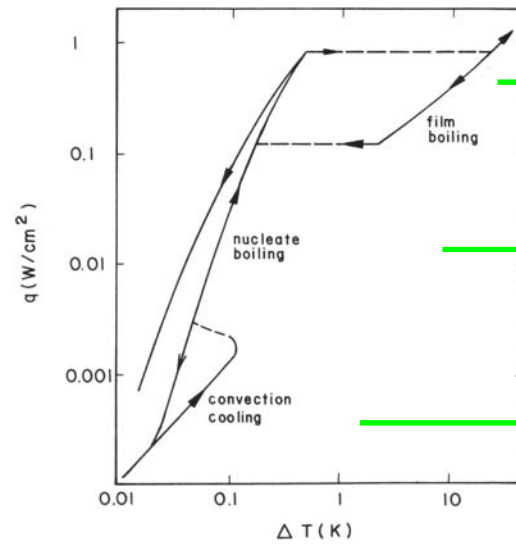
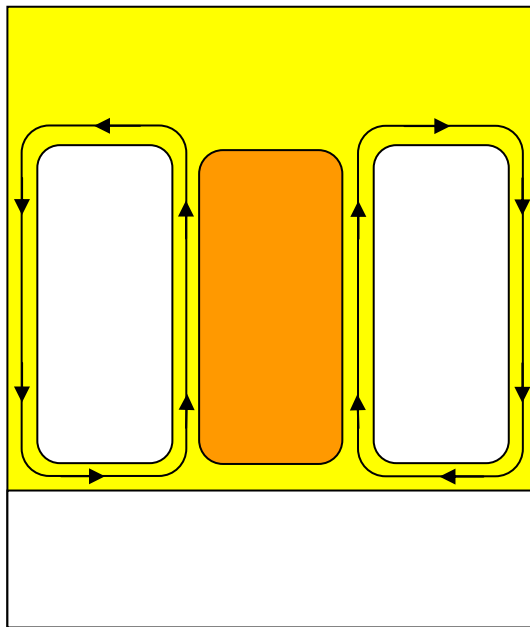


choice of the  
refrigerant



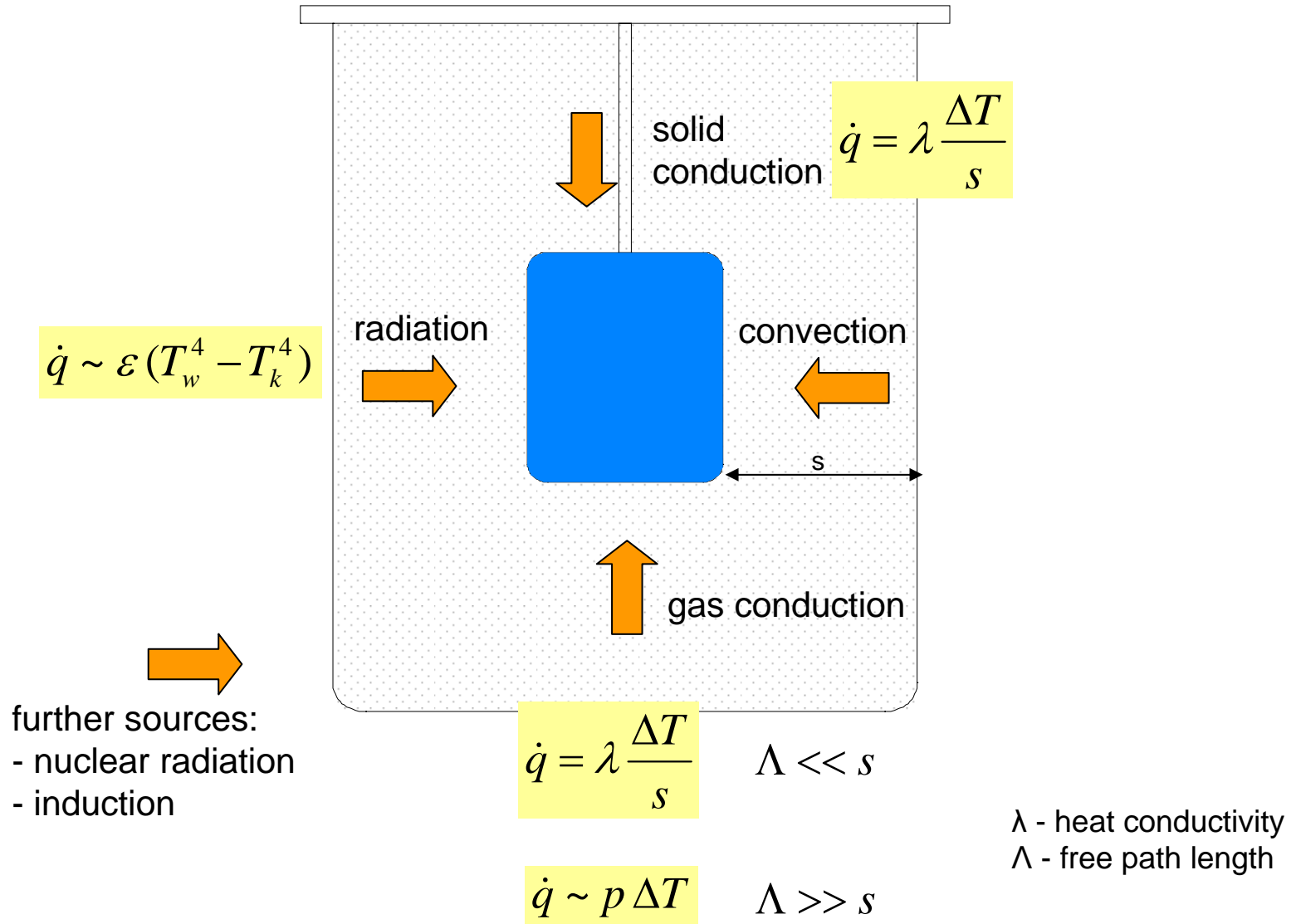


# Bath cooling





# Sources of heat input





- solid conduction
- convection

$$\dot{q} = \lambda \frac{\Delta T}{s}$$

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$$\dot{q} \sim p \Delta T$$

$$\dot{q} \sim \varepsilon (T_w^4 - T_k^4)$$



# Introduction to Refrigerators and Cryogenics



# Wärmequellen im Vakuum

- Festkörperleitung durch

- Kryostatenhals,
- Rohrleitungen,
- Ventile,
- Aufhängungen,
- Abstützungen,
- elektrische Leitungen

- Wärmeübertragung durch

- Restgas im Isolationsvakuum

$$p > \sim 10^{-4} \text{ mbar } \dot{Q} \sim 1/L$$

$$p < \sim 10^{-4} \text{ mbar } \dot{Q} \sim p$$

(bei konstanter Temperaturdifferenz)

- Strahlung

$$\dot{Q} = \varepsilon \sigma A T^4$$

- Sonstige

- Heizungen
- Quench
- induzierte Ströme

