



# Visit to CERN's CO2 Cooling Installations

- Visit organized by Immanuel Gfall (Vienna)
  - LHCb experiment (running CO2 plant)
  - CERN cryolab, visit CO2 test installations (Hans Postema)
- Aim:
  - Familiarize with evaporative cooling systems
  - prepare for decision on PXD cooling
- Participants: I. Gfall, H.J. Simonis, T. Weiler, C. Marinas, H.G. Moser, C. Kiesling



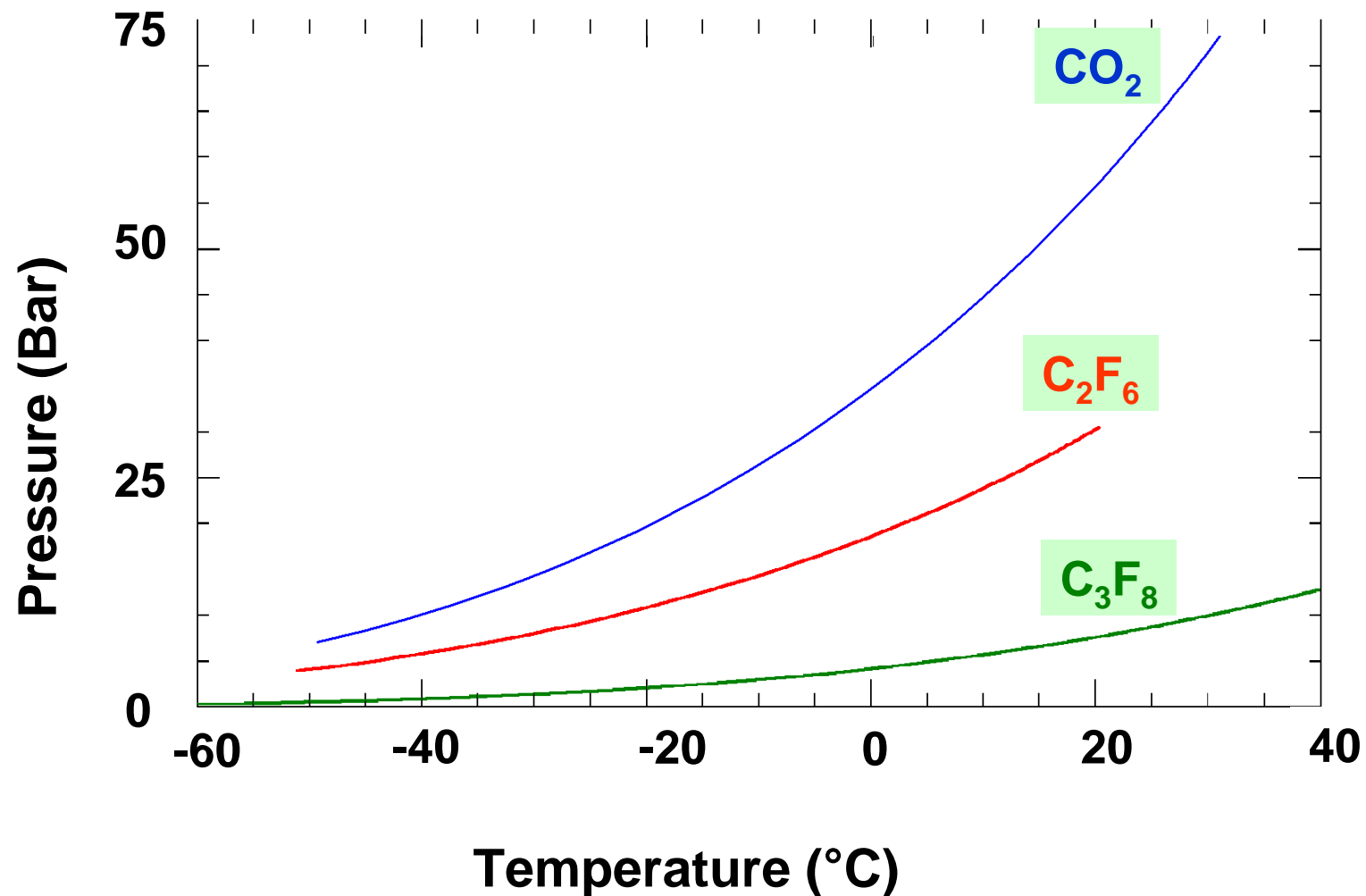


# Cooling Issues for the PXD



- Water cooling for the PXD EOS may not be sufficient
  - underpressure system required
  - copper cooling block mechanically problematic
- Option for common (PXD + SVD) cooling system discussed during the Prague meeting → evaporative systems
- CO<sub>2</sub> seems preferred option for SVD (Origami scheme)
- C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>8</sub> (a la ATLAS) is an alternative (?)

Saturation curves in the PT Diagram for  
 $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{F}_6$  &  $\text{C}_3\text{F}_8$   
*(3 used or considered refrigerants at CERN)*

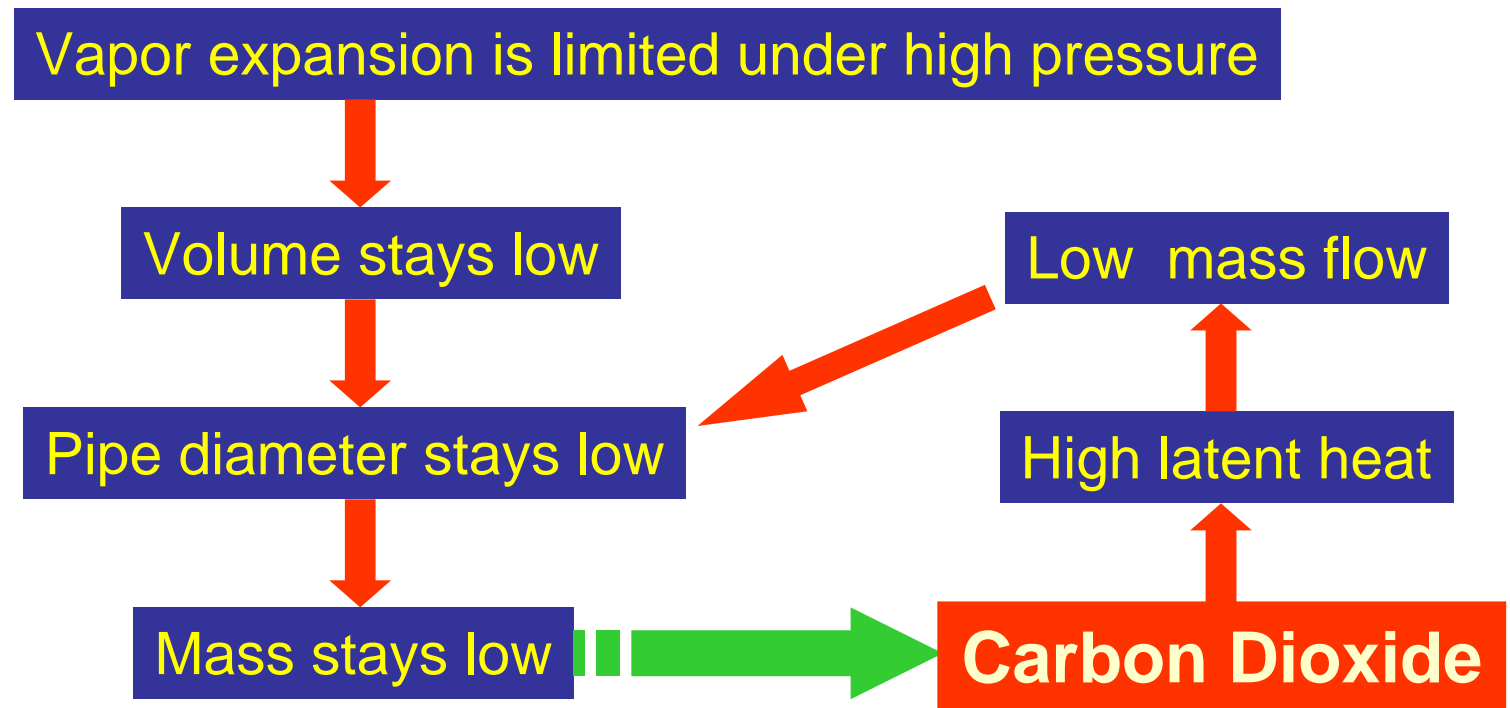


foils from  
**Bart Verlaat**  
Nikhef

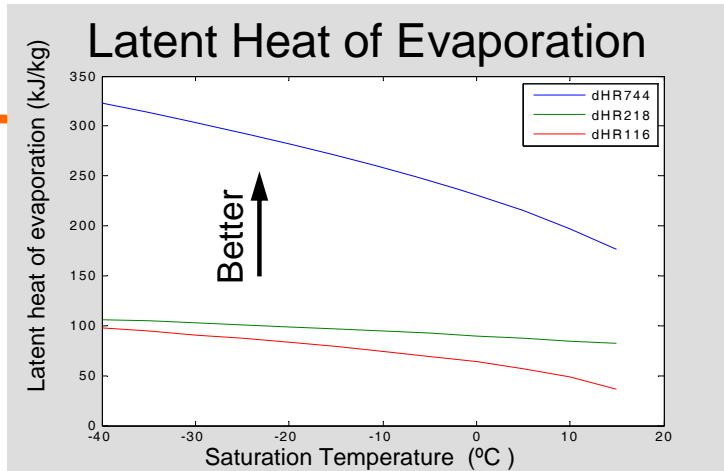
**Hans Postema**  
CERN

The easiest way of cooling is:  
**Evaporate at high pressure!**

**Why?**



# Property comparison

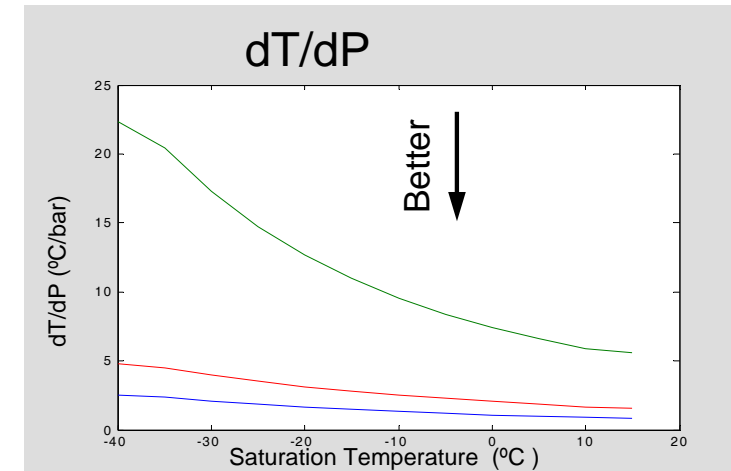
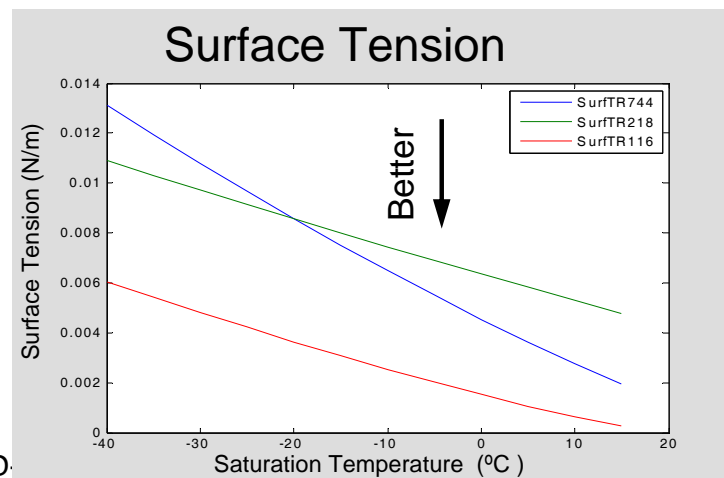
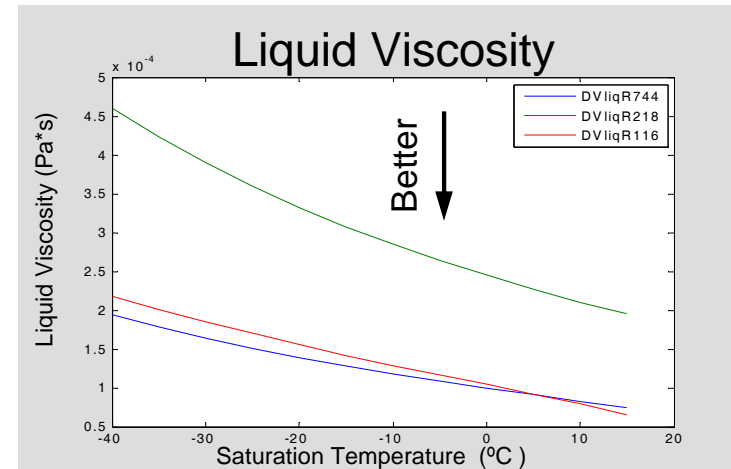
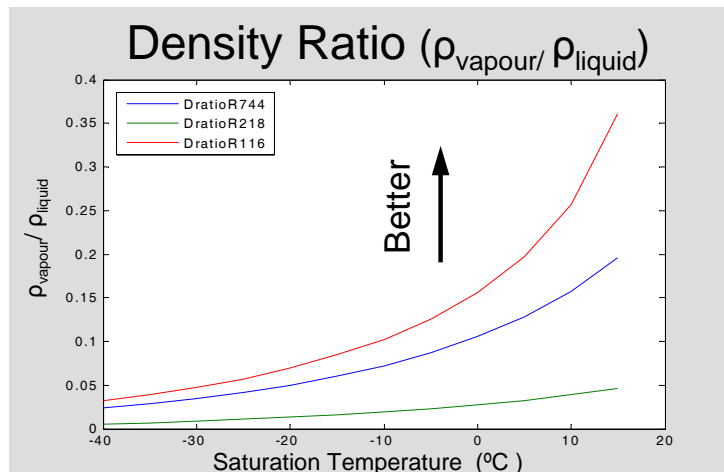


Refrigerant “R” numbers:

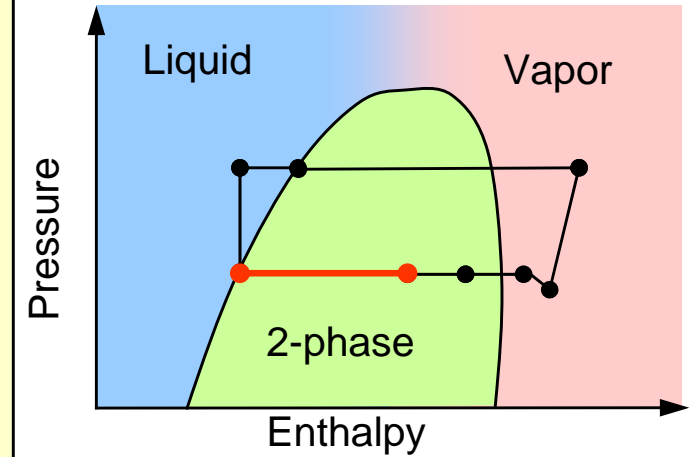
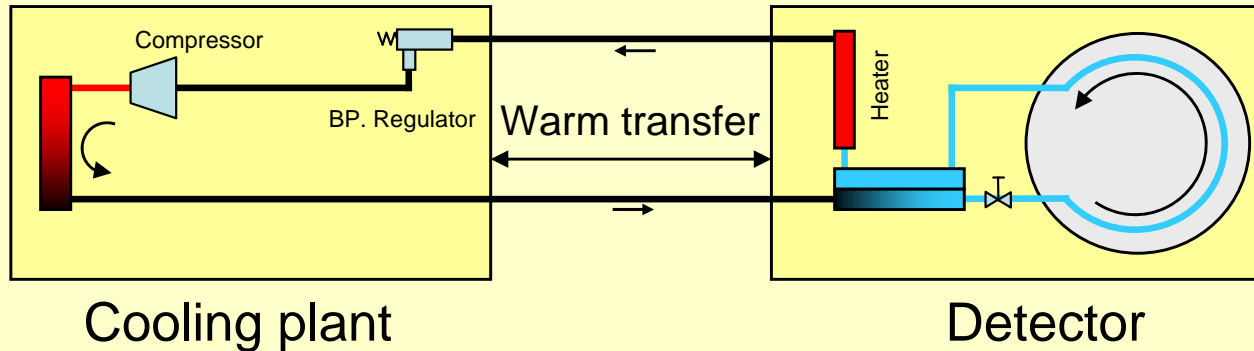
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R218=C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>8</sub>

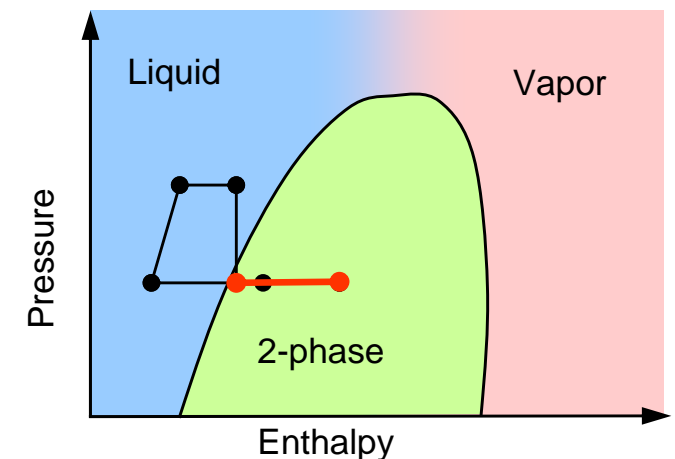
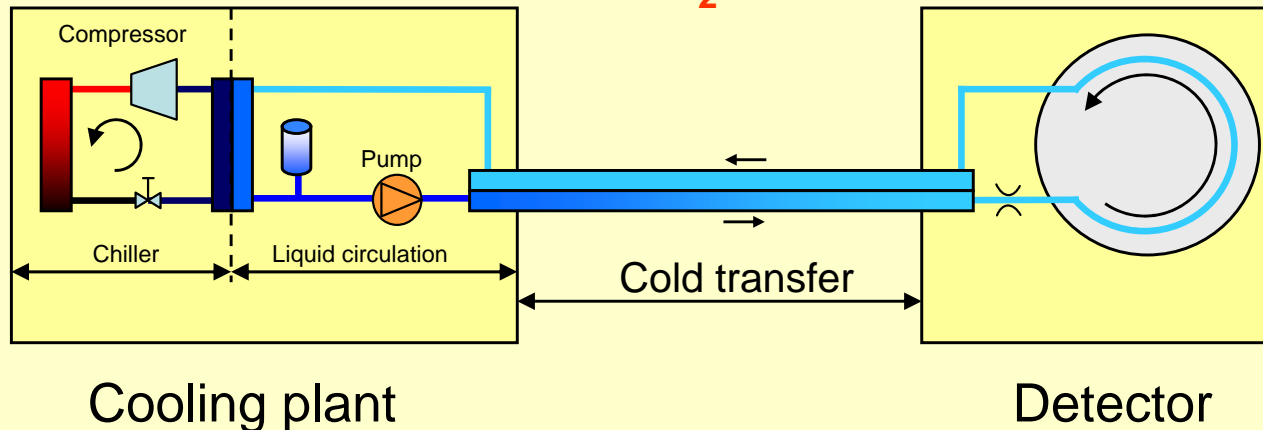
R116=C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub>



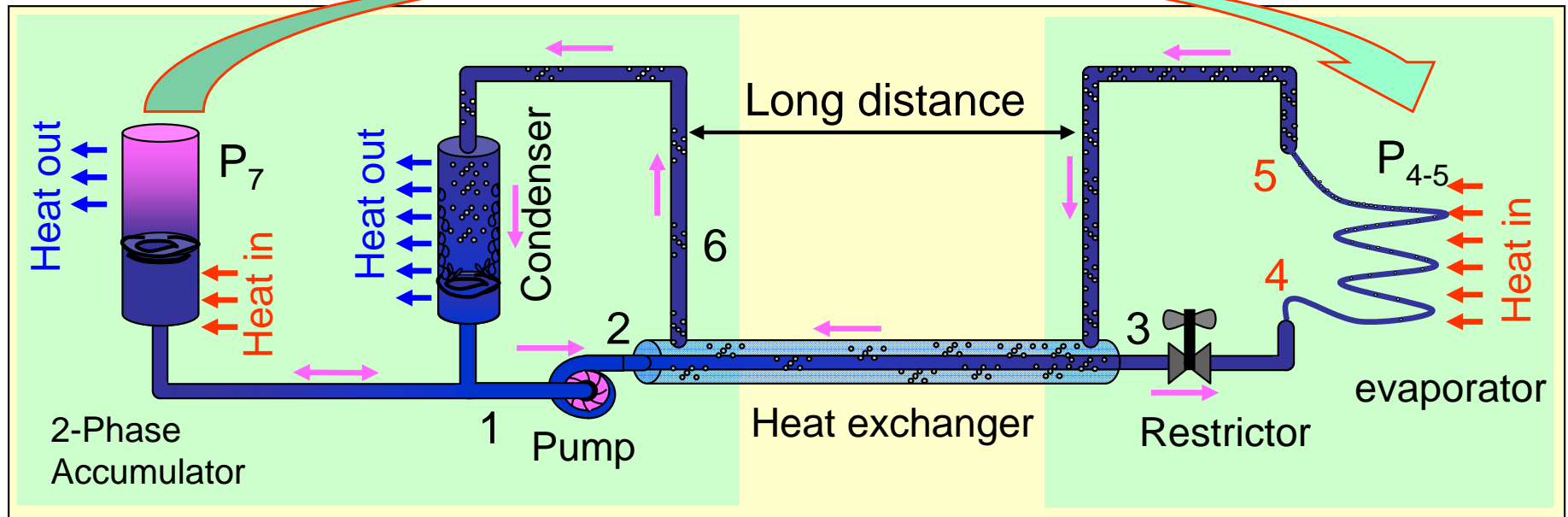
## Atlas Inner Detector: Vapor compression system Fluid: $C_3F_8$



## LHCb-VELO: 2PACL pumped liquid system Fluid: $CO_2$

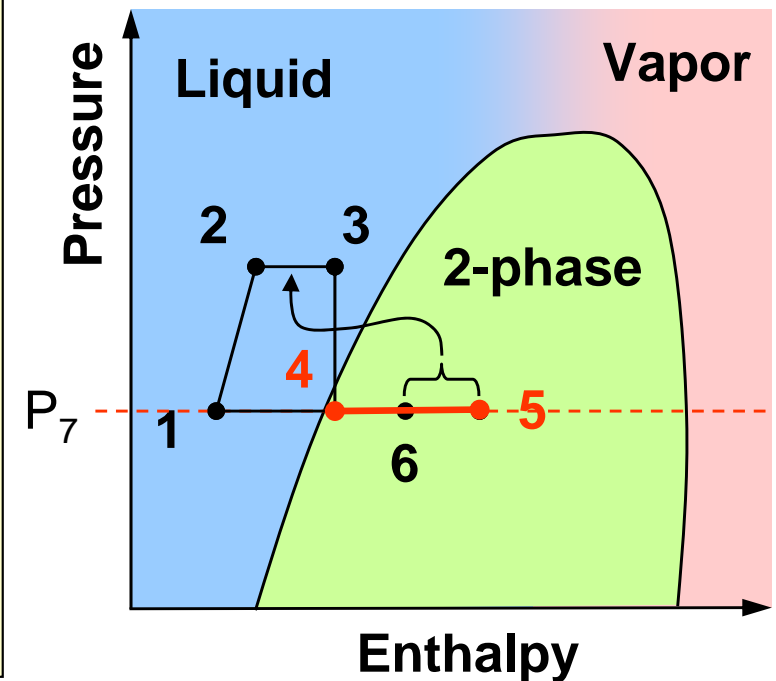


# The 2-Phase Accumulator Controlled Loop



## 2PACL principle ideal for detector cooling:

- Liquid overflow => no mass flow control
- Low vapor quality => good heat transfer
- No local evaporator control, evaporator is passive in detector
- Very stable evaporator temperature control at a distance ( $P_{4-5} = P_7$ )



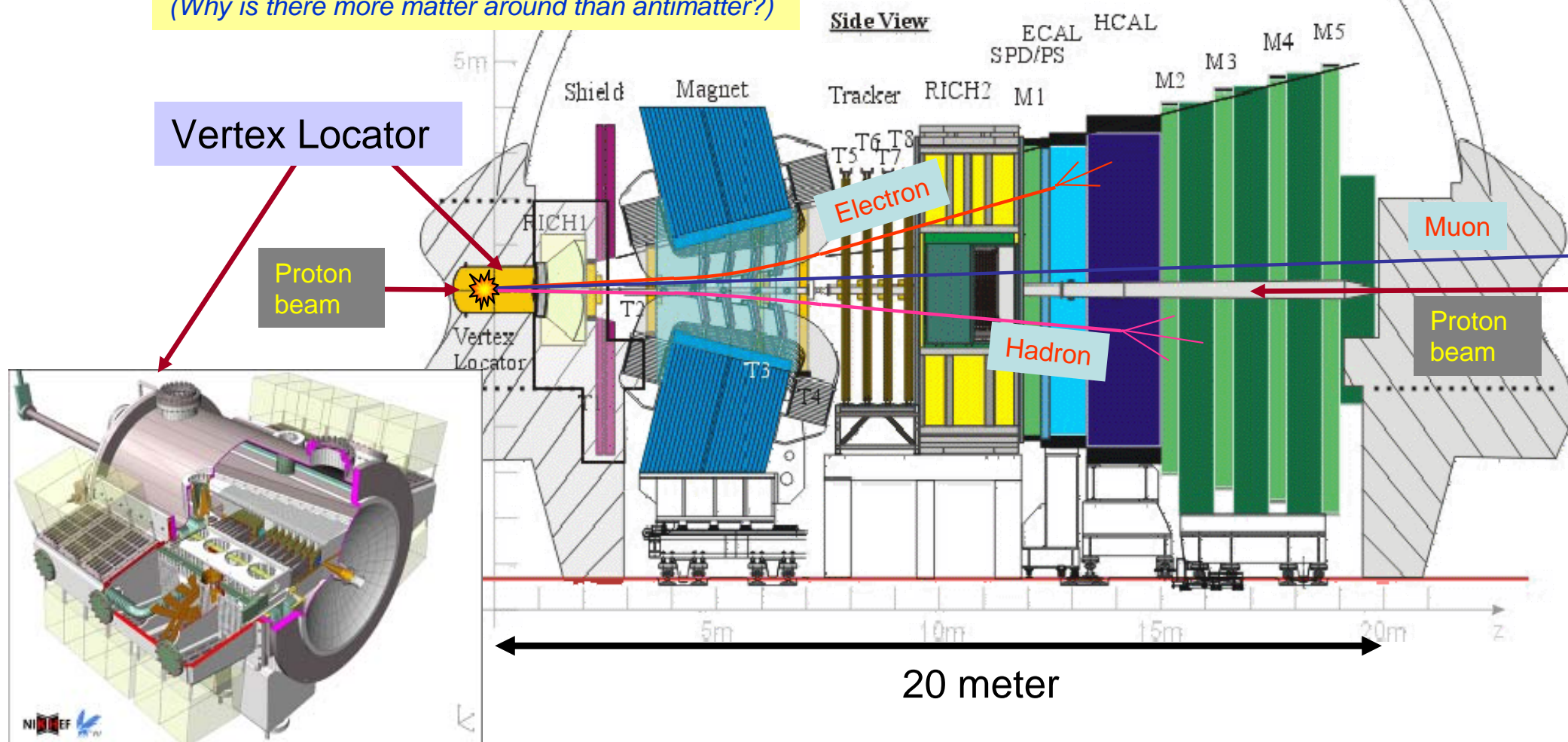


## Goals of LHCb:

Studying the decay of B-mesons  
to find evidence of CP-violation

*(Why is there more matter around than antimatter?)*

## LHCb Cross section





# The LHCb-VELO Detector (**VE**rtex **LO**cator)

Detectors and electronics

- Temperature detectors:  $-7^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Heat generation: max 1600 W

23 parallel evaporator stations

capillaries and return hose



VELO Thermal Control System  
 $\text{CO}_2$  evaporator section

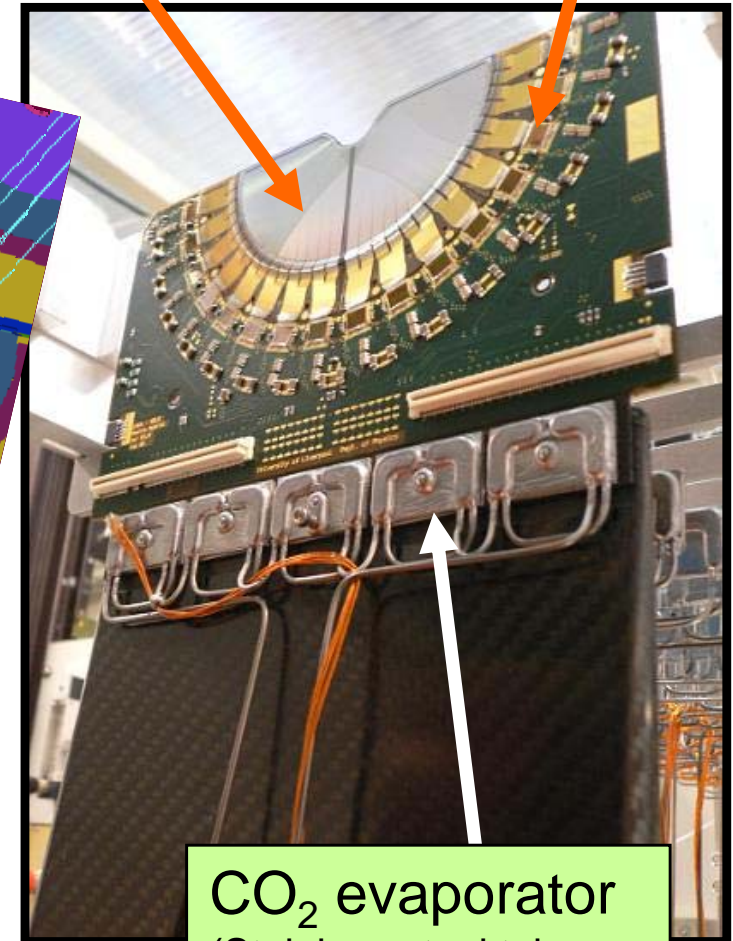
# The Velo Detector



Detection Silicon

Heat producing electronics

Particle tracks in the VELO from an LHC injection test (22 august '08)



CO<sub>2</sub> evaporator  
(Stainless steel tube  
casted in aluminum)







# VELO Cooling Challenges



- VELO electronics must be cooled in vacuum.
  - Good conductive connection
  - Absolutely leakfree
- Maximum power of the electronics: 1.6 kW
- Silicon sensors must stay below  $-7^{\circ}\text{C}$  at all times (on or off).
- Adjustable temperature for commissioning.
  - $-5^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $-30^{\circ}\text{C}$  (Nominal irradiated  $-25^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
- Maintenance free in inaccessible detector area

**... sounds very similar to PXD requirements**



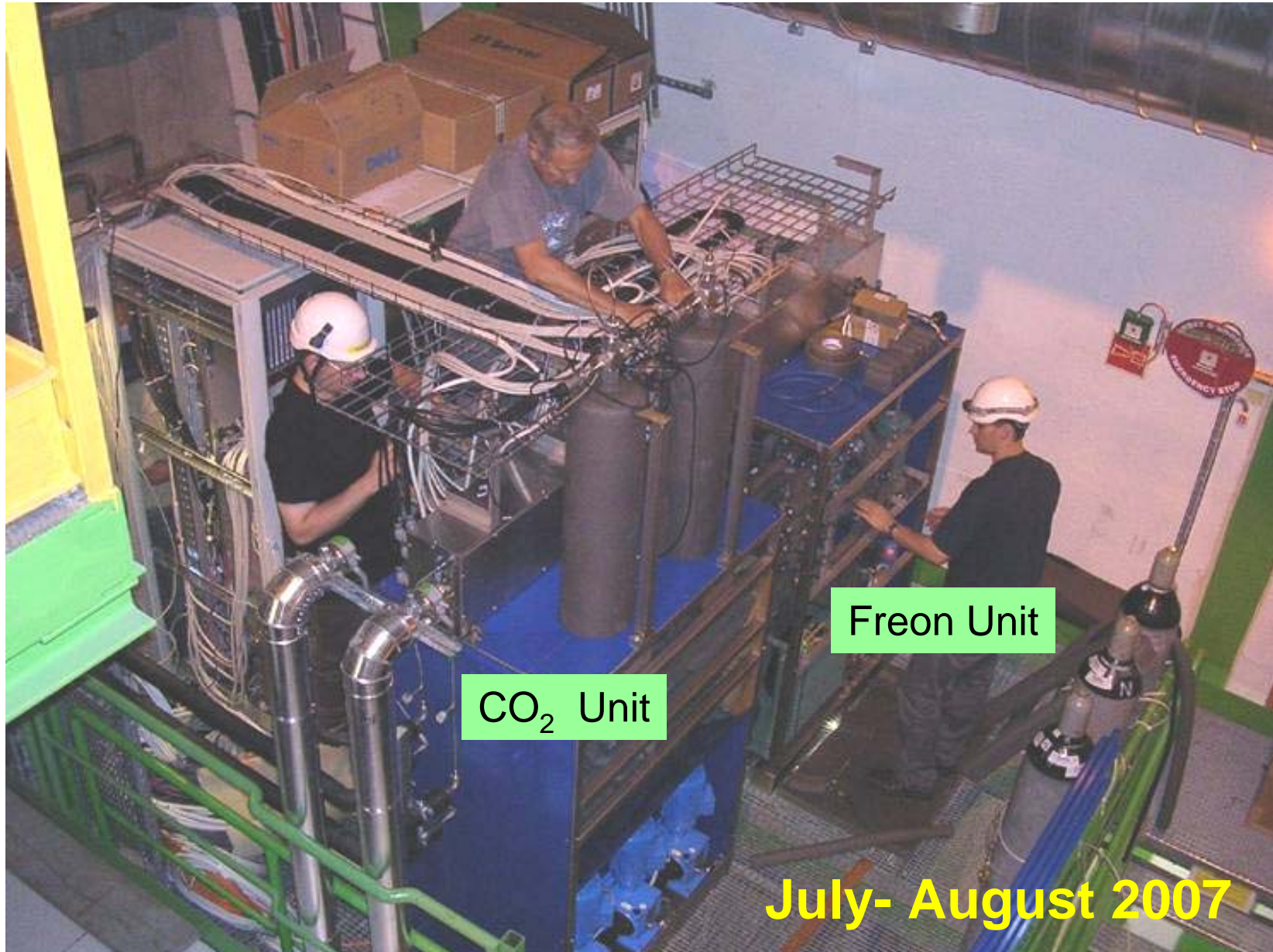
# VTCS construction



## Velo Thermal Control System

- CO<sub>2</sub> 2PACL's
  - Stainless steel piping with:
    - (Orbital) Welding
    - Vacuum Brazing
    - Swagelok Cajon VCR fittings and line components
  - Lewa liquid CO<sub>2</sub> pump (100 bar)
  - In house designed accumulator (130 bar)
  - Reinforced SWEP condenser (130 bar)
    - Now commercially available at SWEP.
  - 55 meter concentric transfer line
  - Aluminium casted cooling blocks
- Chillers designed in house with standard commercial chiller components.
  - Copper piping with hard solder joints
  - Danfoss line components
  - Bitzer compressors
  - SWEP heat exchangers
- Siemens S7-400 series Programmable Logic Controller (PLC)

# VTCS Units Installed @ CERN



July- August 2007

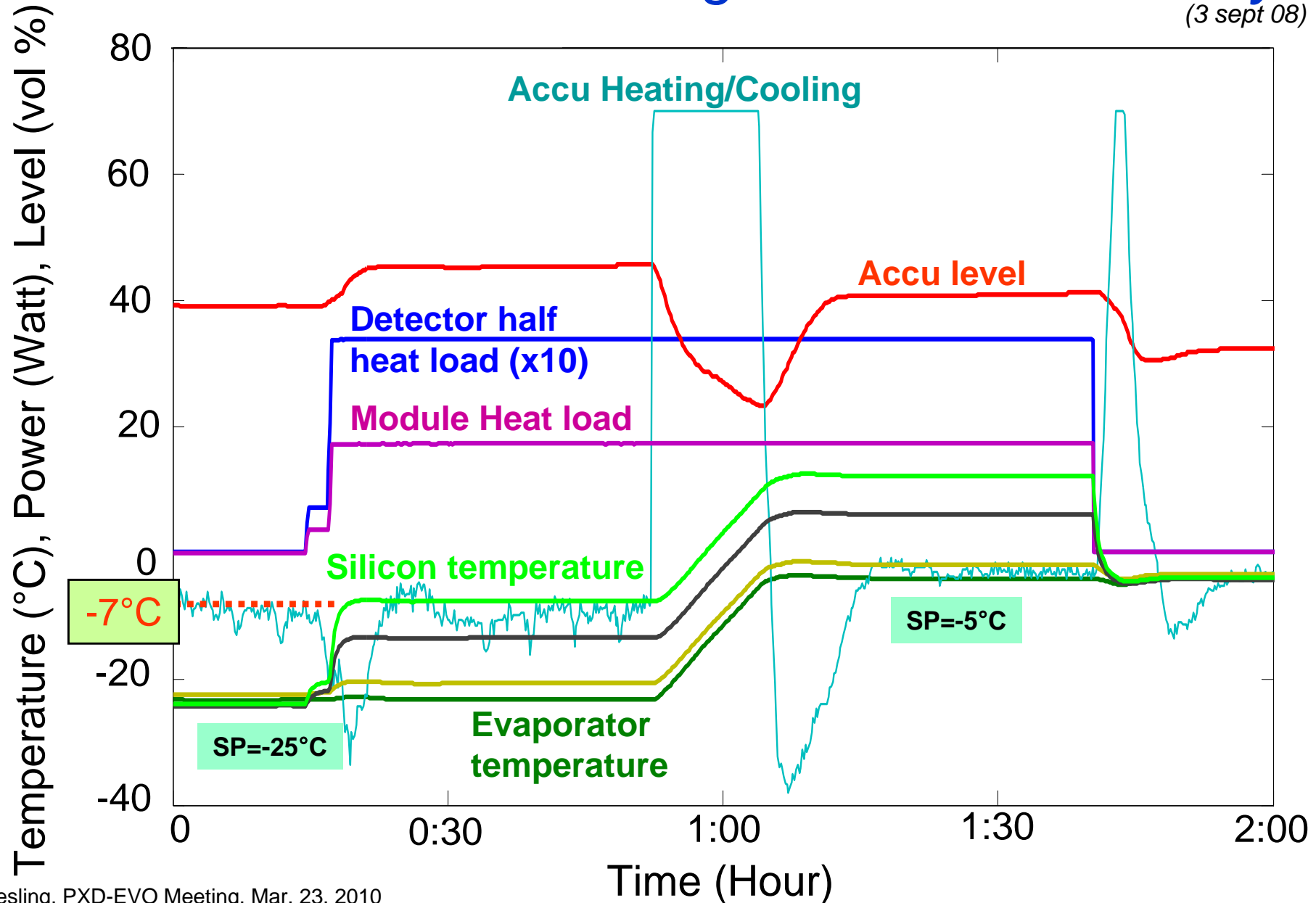


24 June '08: After a successful commissioning of the detector at  $-25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , the setpoint is increased to  $-5^{\circ}\text{C}$ .



*And has been running since then smoothly!*

(3 sept 08)





### CMS Upgrade CO2 project, participants:

- **RWTH Aachen** — Lutz Feld, Michael Wloch, Jennifer Merz
- **IPN Lyon** — Nick Lumb, Didier Contardo
- **University Karlsruhe** — Wim de Boer et al.
- **Fermilab** — Simon Kwan, Richard Schmitt, Terry Tope, Kirk Arndt





- PSI – Roland Horisberger
- CERN Cryolab – Friedrich Haug, Jihao Wu, Torsten Koettig, Christopher Franke
- University Esslingen – Walter Czarnetzki, Stefan Roesler
- CERN DT group – Joao Noite, Antti Onnela, Paolo Petagna, Paola Tropea,



# CMS Upgrade CO2 project, participants (3)



- NIKHEF Atlas – Bart Verlaat, Auke-Pieter Colijn
- SLAC Atlas – Marco Oriunno
- CERN Atlas – Danilo Giugni, Jan Godlewski, Jose Direita
- EPFL Lausanne – John Thome et al.
- CERN CMS – Duccio Abbaneo, Hans Postema

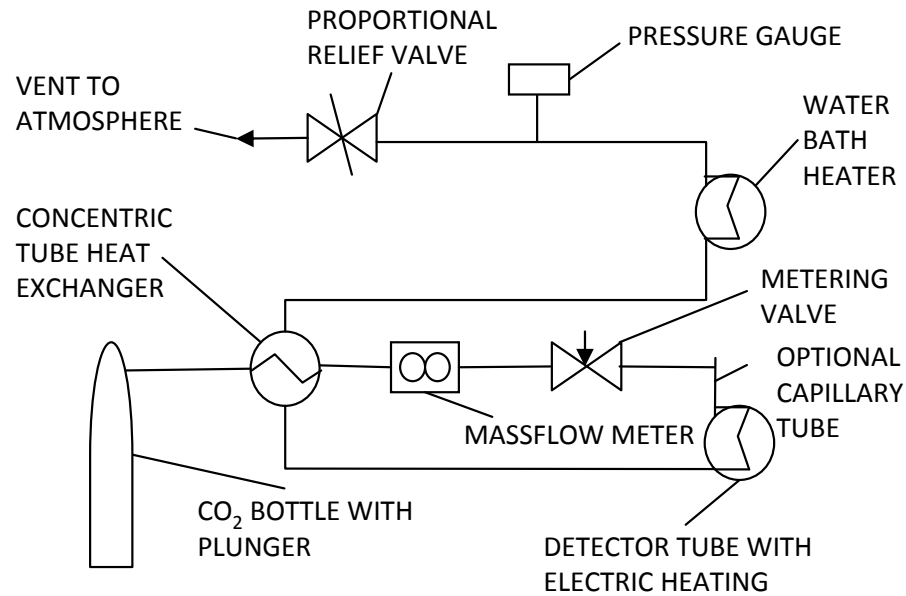


# CO<sub>2</sub> Full scale setup

- Following the example of the LHCb cooling plant, we will build a full scale setup for testing purposes
- Setup based upon CMS-TEC cooling plant provided by Karlsruhe
- R404 chiller has cooling power of 4 kW at -35 C
- System uses Lewa pump and SWEP heat exchanger also provided by Karlsruhe

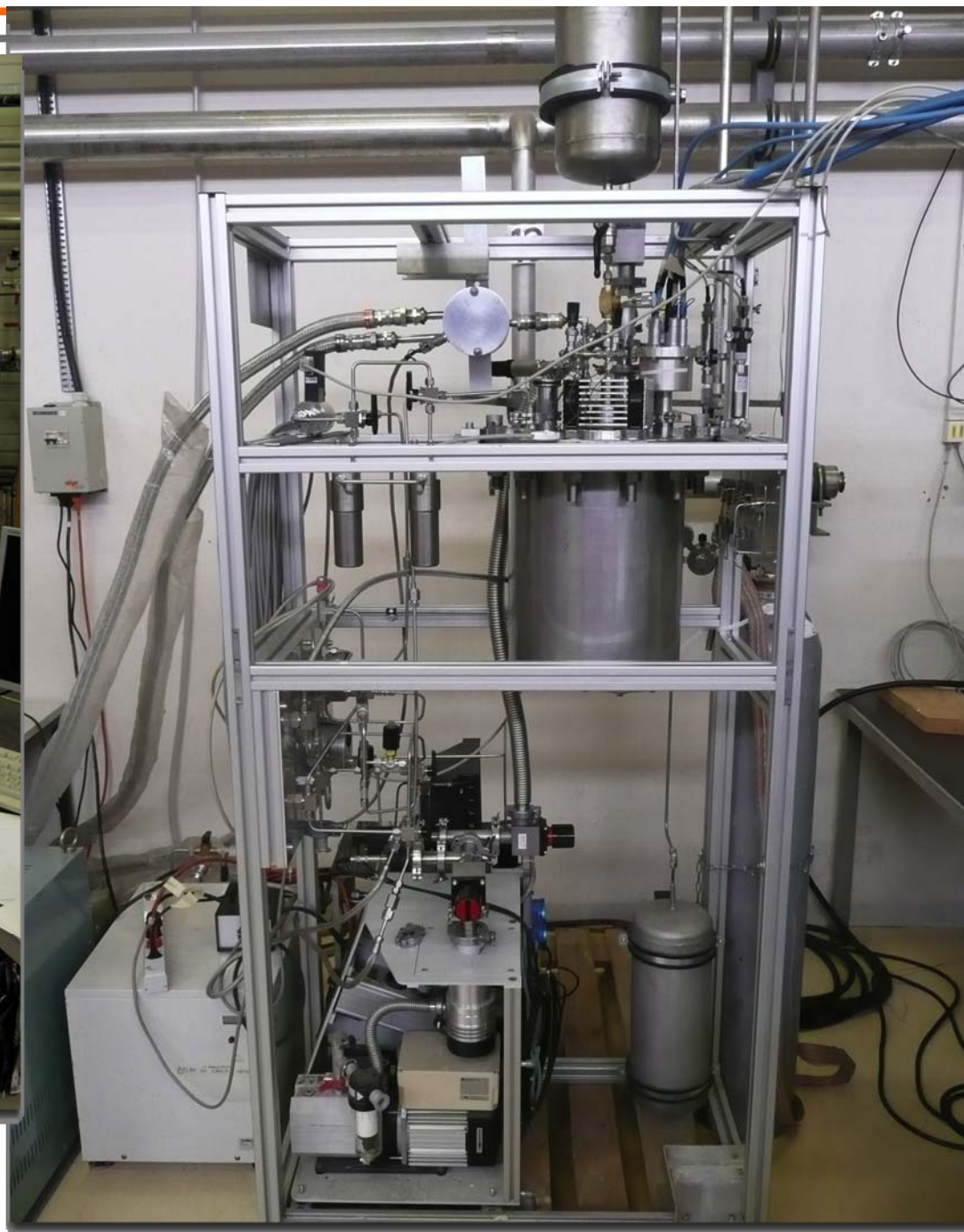
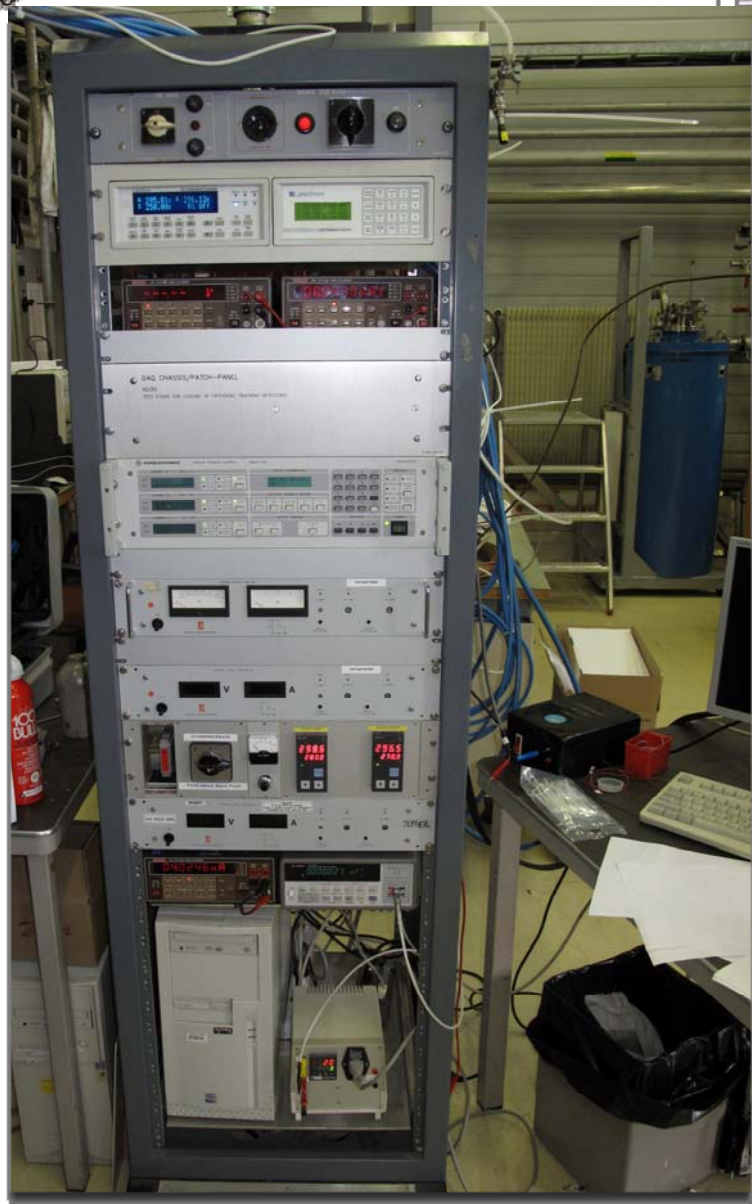
# CO<sub>2</sub> Cooling Test Status

- 1.4mm ID, 5.5m length cooling pipe tested in different heat loads and flow conditions.
- Available empirical models for two phase pressure drop prediction were used and compared with experimental data.
- Upgrades on the test setup are being made in order to improve the measurements.
- Pixel cooling pipe mockup provided by PSI will be tested during the following weeks.





# Test setup





# Test Setup



Operating temperatures  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $-5^{\circ}\text{C}$

Mass flow up to 1.5 g/s

Heat flux at test section up to  $30 \text{ kW/m}^2$

Tube diameter (test section) up to 2.0 mm

Design pressure of the setup 100 bar

Cooling power Pulse Tube Cryocooler 150W@225K

Insulation vacuum  $5 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ mbar}$



- Evaporative Cooling seems very attractive
- Many groups are working on the field of CO<sub>2</sub> cooling („trendy“)
- C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>8</sub> has no clear advantages
- CO<sub>2</sub> engineering is essentially done, plants of the size required for SVD/PXD exist (order kW cooling power)
- NIKHEF group is very supportive (get blue prints from Braat Verlaat)
- Common project with Vienna seems advantageous
- Next steps:        visit to Amsterdam (Braat) together with engineers  
                         test system to be created within SVD/PXD group