HDice Controls Meeting Minutes 11/03/2015

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Hardware Status

Test Station Hardware

- An Oxford IPS-120 Superconducting Power Supply was installed on the HDice Test Station in EEL R121C. This power supply will be used as the axial supply for debugging the dual-supply operation of the Rotation of Target Polarization Program.
 - A shield was constructed to protect the exposed high-current power leads at the rear of the supply.
 - A high-current cable loop was fabricated and installed on the power leads.
 - An AC power adapter was installed to convert the 5-prong wall 208 [V] outlet to a 3-prong power supply plug.
- ▲ For our upcoming work, we should build a RF Splitter / Attenuation box for the test station, which can be used as a spare or for further development. Since some of the components in the box are dated, we should build one before the parts are no longer manufactured. The cost for the box is approximately \$2500.

RF Cable

- A test cable will be fabricated when the "N" type connectors are received.
 - Due to supply issues in obtaining the proper fitting connectors, the ordered "N" type connectors are oversized for the diameter of the RF cable.
 - An adapter will be fabricated to fit the cable to the "N" connectors.

Software Status

Rotation of Target Polarization Program

- ▲ Developed initialization sequence for 1st power-up. This automatic initialization sequence must be done upon turning on the power supplies. By default, the supply remembers the last current / field set point and will ramp to the previous setting in manual mode when the initialization hold function is released.
- ▲ Modified manual mode operation to allow simultaneous ramping of both the Axial supply and the Transverse supply.
- ▲ Wrote code to support requested dual mode set functions for both set field and set current in manual mode.
- ▲ Wrote sub-VIs that support the manual control option upon the completion of automatic rotation. This feature was a request by the HDice group to allow the expert operator to make adjustments at the end of automatic target polarization rotation.
- ▲ Modified front panel operator controls to set and display ramp speeds in [A/min] rather than [A/s].
- ▲ Added graphical representation of the automated rotation sequence to the front panel.

Mathematica analysis code

- ▲ The main NMR analysis code is failing due to an outdated library. A video teleconference meeting with Craig from BNL is scheduled for this week.
- Next meeting: Tuesday, November 17th at 11:00 AM in DSG Control Room (EEL R121C).