

The Gas System of the CYGNO experiment

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### Gas system functions



# Gas system history

- Order request (RDA): Sept. 2019
- Order approval by INFN executive board: Dec. 2019
- Tender setup by INFN central administration: Feb. 2020
- Tender period: Feb. Mar. 2020
- Tender adjudication: Jun. 2020 Air Liquide Italia Service S.r.l.
- Order by INFN central administration: Sep. 2020
- Variation order request: (enhanced remotization and purest mass flow controller option): Nov. 2020
- Variation order approval by INFN executive board: Feb. 2021
- Delivery: Jun. 2021 one component damaged during the transportation
- Delivery and installation of the spare part: Jul. 2022
- Tests by INFN staff and software bug fixes by AirLiquide: Aug. Oct. 2022

### Technical drawing



# Some pictures



## Some technical details - Purification

- System for purification and filter
  regeneration with Vacuum Swing
- Adsorption (see Rob's talk)
- Two lines, one in operation, the
- other in regeneration:

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- remotely switchable
- Filters (D401, D402) and monitoring devices (pressure sensors, etc.) not yet included



### Some technical details - Recirculation & Recovery

#### • G402 booster:

- recovery of exhaust gas
- intermittent operations, keeping the pressure in the D405 buffer within a settable range
- outlet pressure up to 60 bar was reached during our tests (larger pressure should be reachable, we just didn't try)
- G401 recirculation pump:
  - special execution to guarantee the minimum inlet pressure that is recommended for the booster operation, 2-3 bar(g)
  - indeed, we could more safely operate down to 1 bar(g)



### Some technical details — Gas Analysis

- Moisture and oxygen sensors (AT401, AT402) already installed in the recirculation loop
- One parallel line for additional analysers:
  - CF4 concentration analyzer (thermal conductivity analyzer) already ordered





### O<sub>2</sub>: GE Oxy.IQ

0...10 ppm (±2% acc.) to 0...1% (±1% acc.)

### Moisture: Vaisala DMT143

10...40000 ppm (acc. 1 ppm + 20% of reading)



### Remaining issues

- There is an interference of the booster with the pneumatic valves installed around the system (they use the same compressed-air source):
  - test to be performed with a check valve to prevent pressure loss in the pneumatic valves when the booster draw a large air flow
- Some electrical instabilities were experienced during the tests:
  - need a long-term test

# Human Machine Interface & Remote Control

- Human interface: touch screen
  installed in the system
  - the same control pages can be forwarded to a remote Windows machine (ethernet connection)
- But we want to control the system from MIDAS...
  - the system runs an OPC-UA server with TPC network protocol
  - no OPC-UA interface was available in MIDAS - we wrote our own





# Installation

- The system will be installed underground and connected to the gas bottles through flexible steel tubes
- Tender on going for the construction of a high pressure panel to connect the gas recovery bottle



# Greenhouse gas disposal

- A few companies have been contacted and are willing to provide a CF<sub>4</sub> gas disposal service
- Technical and commercial details to be defined:
  - rent/purchase of bottles
  - collection frequency and temporary storage
  - certifications

### To-do

- Hardware:
  - complete the underground installation
  - test the proposed solutions to the interference between the booster and the pneumatic valves
- Software:
  - develop a complete MIDAS web page to control the most relevant features of the system

# Credits

- INFN technical staff:
  - hardware tests and installations
- GSSI students + Rita
  - help in hardware tests and development of the remote control
- Giovanni:
  - coordination and administrative support