Panel on Neutron Scattering User Facilities

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BES pioneered fission and spallation neutron sources and now operates the world’s highest flux facilities.

DOE’s Oak Ridge National Laboratory is the cradle of neutron scattering. Today, SNS and HFIR form a world-leading center for neutron scattering studies of materials.
SNS & HFIR enable progress in forefront fields of research

Neutrons reveal Majorana fermions in a Kitaev quantum spin liquid
($\alpha$-RuCl$_3$ honeycomb lattice)
Banerjee et al., *Science* 2017

Neutrons expose lipid nanodomains in a living bacterium
(Bacillus subtilis)
Nickels et al., *PLoS Biology* 2017

Neutrons validate novel proton conducting solid state battery materials
Kobayashi et al., *Science* 2016

Neutrons relate ultrahigh piezoelectricity and multiscale structure in relaxor ferroelectrics
Krogstad et al., *Nature Mat.* 2018
Emerging science requires enhanced neutron scattering

What exotic particles exist in quantum spin liquids?

More long-wavelength neutrons at the STS will provide access to lower energy ($\mu$eV) excitations and slower dynamic time-scales ($\mu$s) with high resolution

e.g. probing visons in Kitaev quantum spin liquids

How do complexes dynamically assemble within living cells?

Beams of pulsed neutrons with higher peak brightness at the STS will provide access to single-pulse experiments, microsecond dynamics, and 100 millisecond time-resolutions

e.g. \textit{in vivo} dynamic self-assembly of membrane-less organelles linked to neurodegenerative disease

What are the mechanisms of catalysis in liquids and at interfaces?

The broad wavelength range between short pulses of neutrons at the STS will allow simultaneous access to larger length and time scales

e.g. \textit{in operando} catalytic reactions such as dehydrogenation of liquid organic carriers
SNS upgrades to accelerate scientific and technological progress

PPU project is an upgrade to the existing accelerator structure
- Doubles accelerator power capability
- Increases FTS neutron flux and provides new science capabilities
- Provides a platform for STS

STS project is a second target station with an initial suite of beam lines
- More long-wavelength neutrons
- Higher peak brightness
- Broader wavelength range
SNS Upgrade Plans

SNS First Target Station (FTS)

- Now: 1.4 MW
  - Accelerator

- After PPU Upgrade: 2 MW
  - 24 instrument positions
  - 21 instruments built

- After STS Upgrade:
  - 22 instrument slots, 8 initial instruments
  - 0.8 MW
  - 2 MW
  - Accelerator
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Operating Spallation Sources
- LANSCE
- SNS
- ESS

Operating Reactor Sources
- JPRAC
- CSNS

Planned Spallation Sources
- Brazilian Neutron Source
- Argentinian Neutron Source

Planned Reactor Sources
- OPAL (2007)
- OPAL
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Operating Spallation Sources
- SNS (2006)
- HFIR
- LLB
- ISIS
- SIS FTS&STS

Operating Reactor Sources
- ILL
- LANSCE

Planned Spallation Sources
- FRM-II (2001)
- ESS

Planned Reactor Sources
- J-PARC (2007)
- J-PARC STS
- CNS
- OPAL (2007)
- CSNS
- Bhabha
- SINQ
- MLZ/FRMII
- MLZ/FRM2
- NCNR
European investment in spallation sources

- Consortium of 16 European Countries
- $2B investment in European neutron science to serve 6000 users
- 15 Instruments in the construction budget – can host up to 35 instruments
- 5 MW proton power
- Long pulse source (~3ms@14Hz)
- Solid-W/He-cooled rotating target
- Brightness optimized (Flat) moderators
- Time-averaged flux~ ILL-reactor
As international capabilities expand, the SNS upgrades will sustain U.S. leadership in neutrons

Instrument performance gains of 100 – 1000 make STS a next generation source enabling new science

**CSNS**: China Spallation Neutron Source, China

**J-PARC**: Japan Proton Accelerator Research Complex, Japan

**ESS**: European Spallation Source, Sweden

**ILL**: Institut Laue Langevin, France

**FRM-II**: Forschungsreaktor Munchen II, Germany

**ISIS**: UK
Performance Gains via Development of Detectors, Optics and Software

- Impactful neutron science is becoming as reliant on sample environment, data analysis, and computing as on raw neutron flux.

- Major gains in source performance will continue to come from innovations in moderator design, neutron optics, and detector technology in the medium term. Continual investment in these areas is essential.
  - Prudent to invest in new approaches for the cost effective generation of brilliant neutron beams (next generation of proton accelerators, laser driven sources etc).
Neutron Instrumentation Evolving to Enable New Insights

• Instruments and new source designs continue to evolve to address modern science problems

• Next generation of moderators will be optimized on brilliance as opposed to flux.
  – Reduced dimensionality moderator promise relief from the $4\pi$ problem
  – Focus beams in small sample volumes

• Next generation neutron instruments focus on:
  – Deep integration with complex sample environments
  – Small sample geometries
  – High throughput/kinetic studies
  – Increase deployment of polarized neutrons over a variety of techniques
  – Rapid mapping of $S(Q, \omega)$ at higher resolutions
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How Neutron Scattering Facilities Work

• Facilities as innovation hubs
  – Science driven by user community
  – Instrumentation advances driven by facilities
  – multi-disciplinary innovative environments

• Output driven by the quality of
  – Materials and ideas from users
  – Neutron Source
  – Neutron instrumentation
  – Sample environment
  – Instrument scientists
  – Primary data analysis
  – Theory and modelling
Scientific opportunities at the STS

Community workshops 2015-2016

- Emergent Quantum Materials
- Soft Condensed Matter
- Life Sciences
- Materials Discovery, Characterization, and Application
- Neutronic technologies for the STS
- Proposed instrument Concepts
Exotic Quasi-particles in Quantum Magnets

CuCl₂2N(C₅D₅)
Endöh, Shirane, Birgeneau et al. (1974)

KCuF₃
Lake, Tennant, Caux et al. (2013)

NaCaNi₂F₇
Plumb et al. (2018)

polarized neutrons on HYSPEC-SNS
Spinons, visons, and majoranas in quantum magnets

Probing field driven phases of quantum materials

Bright cold neutrons @ STS:

- High efficiency Polarized INS
- Ultra high field scattering
- High pressure INS
- Time evolution beyond equilibrium
- Deep integration with theory and simulation
Soft matter: Beyond equilibrium and in extreme conditions

FTS capabilities:
Sensitivity to H/D, non-destructive and highly penetrating, dynamic time-scales ~100 ns, time-resolutions ~1 min, limited by weak-signal-to noise

STS capabilities:
dynamic time-scales up to ~1 μs, time-resolutions down to ~10 – 100 ms, single-pulse experiments, simultaneous access to broader length-scales, S/N gains for experiments in operando and under extreme conditions

Dynamic assembly and function of hierarchical systems – flow and shear – transport across films and membranes - soft matter under extreme conditions
Materials and Chemistry: 
*In-situ*, real-time imaging of synthesis, catalysis, and performance

SNS capabilities:
Highly penetrating, sensitivity to light elements, and elements with neighboring Z, vibration spectra from >5 to <400 meV, dynamic time scales ~ ps to ns, diffraction and total scattering, imaging, time-resolutions ~ 1 min.

STS capabilities:
Large gains in signal-to-noise enable access to extreme environments and time-resolutions ~ 50 ms, simultaneous measurements over broader dynamic range to characterize evolution of structure and chemistry in hierarchical materials

Functional materials
Weinrauch et al. *Nature Com.* 2017

Energy storage
Charles et al. *Nature Comm.* 2017

Catalysis
Shao et al., *Nature Com.* 2017

Monitor hierarchical materials across under their extreme operating conditions

Batteries while discharging
Engines while operating
Hot crystalline turbines

Functional materials

Energy storage

Catalysis

Weinrauch et al. *Nature Com.* 2017

Charles et al. *Nature Comm.* 2017

Shao et al., *Nature Com.* 2017

Nb$_2$O$_6$
**Biological Materials:**
Directly following key processes within living systems

**SNS capabilities:**
Sensitivity to H/D, non-destructive and highly penetrating, dynamic time-scales ~100 ns, time-resolutions ~15 mins, direct visualization of H/D limited by weak-signal-to-noise

**STS capabilities:**
Time-scales ~1 μs, time-resolutions 10 – 100 ms, single-pulse experiments, signal-to-noise gains enabling the study of critical processes *in vitro* and within living systems, following catalytic reactions

**Dynamic assembly and function of complexes – disorder and flexibility – pathogenic misfolding and aggregation**

**Structural biology in living cells**

**Whole Cell**

**Invisible Cell**

**Membrane Visible**

**All Proteins Visible**

**Single Protein Visible**

Vandavasi et al., *Plant Phys.* 2016

Kovalevsky et al., *Structure* 2018

Tian et al., *Phys. Rev. Letters* 2018
Summary

• BES pioneered fission and spallation neutron technologies
• Operating with high reliability near their design potential, SNS and HFIR form a world-leading facility for neutron scattering studies of materials
• Advanced materials with hierarchical structures and broad band dynamics require more long-wavelength neutrons, higher peak brightness, and broader wavelength ranges
• PPU and STS upgrades will
  • Provide next generation capabilities to accelerate scientific and technological progress
  • Sustain US leadership in an increasingly competitive international landscape of neutron facilities
• World leading STS performance will open new windows on advanced materials:
  • Quantum Matter: Broad band dynamics beyond equilibrium and under extreme conditions
  • Softer Matter: Image hierarchical structure during self-assembly and flow
  • Materials Chemistry: Structure of materials in operating technical systems
  • Biological Materials: Imaging the living cell from atoms to membrane proteins
Discussion