Fine-Resolution Fermi Chopper Spectrometer

Spallation Neutron Source

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SEQUOIA is optimized to provide a high neutron flux at the sample and fine energy resolution. The spectrometer can select neutrons with incident energies from several thousandths of an electron volt to a few electron volts and thus can study excitations over this wide energy scale. An elliptically shaped supermirror guide in the incident flight path boosts the performance at the lower end of this range. The sample and detector vacuum chambers provide a window-free final flight path and incorporate a large gate valve to allow rapid sample changeout. A T_0 neutron chopper blocks the prompt radiation from the source and eliminates unwanted neutrons from the incident beamline.



APPLICATIONS

With its capability to acquire data quickly and relate them to three-dimensional momentum transfers, SEQUOIA allows new studies of single crystals and novel systems such as the following:

- High-temperature superconductivity: spin dynamics in superconductors and precursor compounds and incommensurate spin fluctuations at varying doping levels
- Model magnetic systems, such as one-dimensional spin chains and spin ladders, and crossover effects from one- to three-dimensional magnetism
- Excitations in quantum fluids, quantum critical phenomena, and non-Fermi liquid systems
- High-resolution crystal field spectroscopy reaching into the eV range
- Coupling of electronic and spin systems in correlated-electron materials
- Water in confined structures and extreme conditions
- Hydrogen and other gasses under confinement, including nano-confinement
- Hydrogen in metals and minerals

SPECIFICATIONS	
Moderator	Decoupled ambient water
Source- to-Fermi chopper distance	18 m
Chopper- to-sample distance	2.0 m
Sample- to-detector distance	5.5–6.3 m cylindrical geometry
Incident energy range	4–6000 meV
Resolution (elastic)	1–5% E _i
Vertical detector coverage	-18–18°
Horizontal detector coverage	-30–60°
Minimum detector	2.5°

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