WP4 Low Energy nuSTORM

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Recruitment and Resources



Plan:

- Postdoc at CERN start late 2023.
- Postdoc at UU start August 2023
- Postdoc at ESS start summer 2024

Reality:

- Max Topp-Mugglestone started Jan. 2024
- Wietse Van Goethem, starts November 2024
- Elham Salehi, expected December 2024

Other human resources

- UU: Ting Wing Choi, Maja Olvegård
- ESS: Natalia Milas, other ESS specialists
- CERN: Ilias Efthymiopoulos

- ESSB: Juan Luis Muñoz, Ibon Bustinduy
- IPHC: Elian Bouquerel

Milestones and Deliverables



Delivered June 2024

Due in 3 months

MS 4.1 (month 18) Evaluation of the LEnuSTORM requirements and parameter range

D4.1: (month 24) Review of the LEnuSTORM operation scheme

- **MS 4.2** (month 30) Preliminary racetrack ring lattice design
- MS 4.3 (month 33) First estimate of the neutrino flux from LEnuSTORM
- D4.2: (month 38) Racetrack ring design
- **MS 4.4** (month 42) Updated design of the linac, accumulator ring and transfer lines
- **D4.3**: (month 44) Design of the capture, transport and injection system



Jan. 2023

Dec. 2026

Milestone 4.1 = MS6

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At this time last year....



...everything was possible!

LEnuSTORM Operation Parameters



- Staged approach, using the same target-station infrastructure for nuSTORM as for ESSnuSB.
- The same proton transfer line can be used.



LEnuSTORM: muon momentum



• Nominal muon momentum: 400 MeV/c



LEnuSTORM: pion momentum?



• Pion momentum?



Ting Wing Choi

LEnuSTORM: pion momentum





LEnuSTORM: beamline dimensions ESS neutrino Super Beam plus • We are targeting a • < 20 m long pion transfer line ~75 m long straight section • 15-20 m long arc • ~0.4 m full beam aperture

More details in the WP4 session on Tuesday morning and in the plenary session on Wednesday after the morning coffee break.



LEnuSTORM: Preliminary ring design





Neutrino flux?



- We have made a first estimate of the efficiency of each stage:
 - From proton on target
 - Pion collection, energy and phase space selection
 - Acceptance of beamlines
 - Injection efficiency
 - Beam losses
 - Conversion "efficiency" (decays)
 - Acceptance of LEMMON-D.
- With first ring design we will refine these numbers.



RFQ assessment

•Steady state operation: • duty 0 46-5 • Duty 0.05 - 50 - 45 - 40 - 35 • Duty 0.10 11

Checking the tuning capabilities (through cooling) of the RFQ at 10% duty cycle.

Juan Luis Munoz

New H- transfer line design





WP4 Tasks: quick status update



4.1: Coordination _______ Six WP meetings + one general meeting since last annual meeting + project review
4.2: Proton transfer to LEnuSTORM target ______ New line not needed.

4.3: Pion and Muon beamlines

- Pion transfer_____Ongoing at CERN
- Pion injection ______ Started at UU, to be coordinated with CERN
- Ring lattice______ New design based on refined parameters, constantly evolving
- Muon and neutrino flux______ First rough estimate presented, evolves with the design.
- 4.4: Update existing design

New design transfer line
Waiting for two new postdocs to accelerate this task.

IAP comments



IAP comment: proton or H⁻ injection?



(**finding**) Proton injection with a tilted septum has been demonstrated if the final emittance is allowed to be about 3 time larger the than H- injection.

(**recommendation**) Although the magnet aperture of the accumulator ring (AR) has to be increased accordingly, the benefit of avoiding a H- source and the risks associated with the H- beams could be huge. Further simulation work with space charge effects will tell us if it is feasible in practice.

We recommend keeping the proton injection study as a high priority item. It is also recommended that the selection of the injection method, whether protons or H-, should be made within a reasonable time frame (1~2 years).

(**response**) This has been kept as a high priority item, but due to the difficulties in recruiting qualified postdocs for the project it remains to be done. Currently, we estimate that the work on the proton injection will resume early 2025 when the ESS postdoc has come up to speed with the project.

IAP comment: Laser stripping



(finding) In the previous phase, H- injection with a foil is studied in details. Now the project moves to the feasibility study of laser injection.

(**recommendation**) Progress of the laser development is fast. The H- injection system implementation becomes more promising. The experiment at SNS will continue and a new experiment at J-PARC shall start in a year time.

It is a good idea to keep up with the latest development elsewhere. On the other hand, it is essential to establish a parameter table when it is applied to the ESS AR. Because the linac beam energy is higher than SNS, the system could be simpler and easily achievable than anywhere else

(**response**) We have kept contact primarily with SNS on this subject. The beam parameter table for the accumulator has been established since long but needs to be extended to include the relevant laser parameters.

IAP comment: nuSTORM parameters



(**finding**) The first version of the nuSTORM lattice was designed by scaling of the previous design at Fermilab and CERN.

(**recommendation**) The meaning of optimization and breakdown of steps toward the optimized design should be clarified. There are many possible paths to obtain the maximum neutrino flux. The minimum and maximum divergence, tune choice, momentum acceptance, transverse acceptance are among the obvious parameters to be explored. It is, however, important to know the physical mechanism behind, that limits each parameter area. This should be emphasized when the optimization heavy relies on the genetic algorithm.

(**response**) We have performed a first round of assessment of the physical limitations to the parameters that govern the ring beamline designs. It has been summarized in Report MS6.

By looking at the pion distribution provided by WP3 that we can expect from the target and horn at this point in the project it looks as if we primarily need to maximize the transverse pion and muon acceptance, rather than optimize for a large momentum acceptance. However, the optimization of the horn for the LEnuSTORM has only recently been started so we are waiting for more reliable input to the study.

IAP comment: options for transfer lines



(**finding**) Beam transport lines (linac to AR, AR to targets) are reviewed and several alternative options are proposed.

(**recommendation**) Good to have many options on the table. On the other hand, it is difficult to judge which is the best option at the moment because there are many unknowns, e.g. the time table of the whole project (to be mentioned somewhere else), the number of targets, proton or H-injection, impact on the neutron users, etc. It is important to consider ahead how the design impacts on the commissioning and operation. This includes the diagnostics needs, whether a collimator at upstream is effective, a realistic magnet aperture of the beam line.

(**response**) We are considering H- injection to be the baseline for the project, at least initially. Since we have not been able to recruit postdocs we have not been able to proceed as planned with the refinement of the existing design.

Addition: Some of the ideas presented at the last annual meeting have been discarded due to the risk imposed on the ESS primary function. We keep, for now, the overall layout as before.

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Looking forward to lively discussions!



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Muon production



The LEnuSTORM arc design





M. Olvegård, September 23, 2024

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Injection

If stochastic injection:

- 15 m arc
 - 0.09 -0.276 rad (16°)
 - 20 cm drift
- 20 m arc
 - 0.11 -0.234 rad (13°)
 - 45 cm drift



Probably we will need to use a septum magnet.

Tasks

4.1: Coordination of the accelerator work package (UU, ESS)

4.2: Design an extraction line from the ring-to-target transfer line and a transfer line up to the special target station

4.3: Conceptual design of the racetrack ring for LEnuSTORM

4.4: Study the compatibility of LEnuSTORM and ESSvSB and modify the original design accordingly.