

EUROPEAN XFEL COOLING AND VENTILATION SYSTEMS

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Abstract

The European X-ray Free Electron Laser EuXFEL is operating since 2016. The technical systems for cooling and ventilation CV were designed, built and commissioned by the DESY work package WP34. The water cooling system consists of 3 cooling systems: 30/45°C low conductivity water LCW for klystron, power converter and magnet cooling; 20/30°C LCW for tunnel rack cooling and 8/14°C for air conditioning and for air-drying. The ventilations of the tunnels are connected to a serial ventilation system. The air flow starts from the experimental hall in opposite direction of the beams until to the injector. The series ventilation system of the tunnels saves costs for air treatment like cooling, heating and air-drying. The tunnel walls are a good heat storage that increases the air temperature stability by a factor of ten. The advantages of this concept will be described.

INTRODUCTION

The European XFEL starts on the DESY premises and ends after 3.4 km at the experimental hall in Schenefeld. The beam direction is from east to west. Figure 1 shows the site map of the facility.



XHPSC pump house
Schenefeld

XHM pump house
DESY Bahrenfeld

Figure 1: Map of the Eu-XFEL in Hamburg.

WATER COOLING SYSTEM OF XFEL

The water cooling system is divided in 2 sections since the tunnels are about 3.5 km long from the gun to the experimental hall XHEXP1.

- XHM Pump House:

The XHM pump house (Fig. 2) is located on the DESY premises and serves the injector in DESY-Bahrenfeld and the 2 km long XTL tunnel until the first separation shaft XS1 in Osdrorfer Born. That is why the main cooling demands are in the linac tunnel XTL for the RF stations, the electronic racks and the normal conducting magnets.



Figure 2: XHM pump house DESY Bahrenfeld, 3D model.

Figure 2 shows the 3D model of the pump house with its piping, pumps, chillers, water storage tanks and control cabinets. Figure 3 is a photo of the final installation.



Figure 3: XHM pump house installation.



Figure 4: XHM cooling towers for dry and wet cooling.

Figure 4 shows the hybrid cooling towers. Each tower has a rated power of 2 MW. The water temperature is controlled by variable speed fans. If the air temperature

tunnel. Therefore the air temperature treatment is minimal. An air-drying is not required.

The undulator line requires tight temperature constancy. Therefore the undulator sections in XTD1,2,4 have their own high precision ventilation compartment. The high precision air conditioning for the undulator line uses the tunnel air as supply air.

The temperature monitoring is ongoing and will be evaluated in the next winter shut down.

The next benefit of the series ventilation is that the air stays long in the tunnel before the air is released to the outside. The dumps produce isotopes, mostly with short decay time. The dump caverns (Fig. 8) are part of a tunnel and the air should stay in the tunnel as long as possible. Therefore the tunnels are put in series from the dump to the entrance shaft XSE.

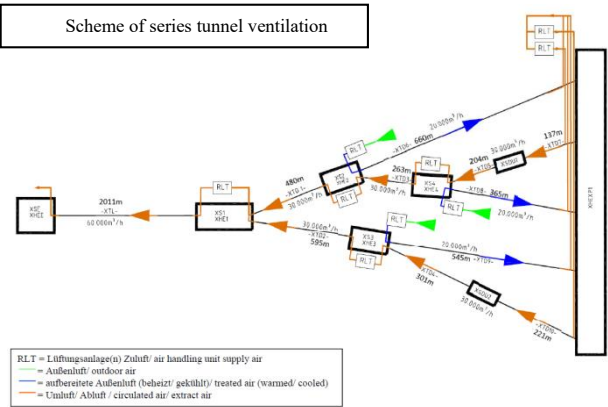


Figure 8: Scheme of the Series Tunnel Ventilation.



Figure 9: Tunnel Air Handling Unit.

Figure 9 shows an air handling unit AHU with air cooler (pipe with black insulation in the back) und air heater (pipe with white insulation in the front). Each tunnel has its own AHU.

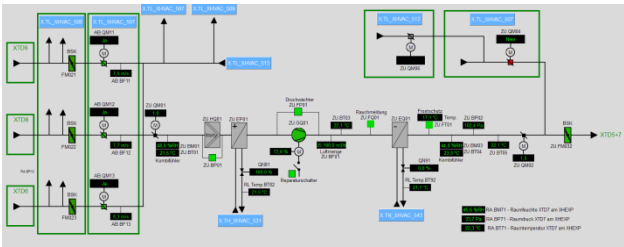


Figure 10: Control Display of tunnel air handling unit AHU.

Figure 10 shows the control display of a tunnel AHU. This figure shows for example that the exhaust airs of the 3 photon tunnels are collected and retreated by the AHU before the supply air flows into the next tunnel with a dump.

SUMMARY

The water cooling systems run since beginning reliable. The temperature levels are 8/14°C for the air conditioning, the 20/30°C for electronic rack cooling and 30/45°C for the high power cooling. The cooling towers are hybrid types. They run most of the year dry without water evaporation. On hot days the coolants are sprayed to apply the evaporation cooling. The temperature regulation is done by variable speed fans.

The ventilation of the tunnels was a challenge because of the requirements from the accelerator installations and the undulator lines in the tunnels. The temperature constancy over long distances depends on the air volume flow and the load balances along the tunnels. The access is only through the tunnel ends possible. In the first design every tunnel has its own ventilation system. This was changed to series tunnel ventilation against the electron beam direction.

- The benefits for series ventilation are
- Increased temperature stability below 0.1 °C by using tunnel air as supply air.
 - Lower operation costs for air treatment, because only 60,000m³/h outside air instead of 270,000m³/h is heated, cooled and dried.
 - Isotopes from the beam dumps stay longer in the tunnels before they are released to the outside.