

Magnetic Shielding (from the BICEP Array experience)

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General considerations & lessons learned

- Magnetic shielding strategy traditionally focuses on minimizing flux density at the location of the SQUIDs – this works really well
- However, TES can be susceptible too, and less easy to shield directly.
- In general, shielding should be progressive going from 300K to the sub-K stages, interleaving high-mu materials and superconductors
- COMSOL Simulation reproduces measured shielding but model should include primary and secondary shielding.
- Aspect ratio for SAT not favorable for efficient shielding compared with CMB-stage 2 receivers.







A4K Cylinder @ 50K Nb Cup @ 300mK

In BA this gives a COMSOL Shielding factors: Axial ~ 400, Transverse ~ 200 SQUIDs encased in Nb box plus A4K layer

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SAT magnetic shielding

(Cartoon-like, approximate dimensions, proposal not yet validated nor agreed upon)



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For the record: SSA module shielding

The 8-column SSA modules come from NIST already with a A4K sleeve and a Nb sleeve



Additionally shielded with 10x layers Metglas wrap (high µ)





Final Remarks

BA experience shows that:

- receiver Combining the and module magnetic shielding factors is not trivial, and it requires dedicated full-model simulations.
- TES magnetic susceptibility? This scheme is optimized for SQUIDs



BA full model Comsol

