1. (a) Derive the following expression for the precooling time of the demagnetization stage in a constant magnetic field:

$$t = \left(\frac{1}{a} + 2R\right) \frac{c}{T_0^2} \left[\frac{1}{2T_0} \ln\left(\frac{T+T_0}{T-T_0}\right) - \frac{1}{T}\right],\tag{1}$$

when the precooling is done using a dilution refrigerator, whose power is $dQ/dt = a \left(T_{\rm mc}^2 - T_0^2\right)$ with a base temperature T_0 and it is connected to the nuclear stage by a heat switch with a thermal resistance R.

- (b) How long would it take to precool the nuclear stage (100 mol copper) to 10 mK in a constant magnetic field of 9 T, when the dilution flow is $1 \text{ mmol/s}, T_0 = 3 \text{ mK}, \text{ and } R(T) = R_0/T = (10 \text{ K}^2/\text{W})/T?$
- (c) Argue why a switching factor of 10^3 is not sufficient compared to 10^6 ?
- 2. Indium has a nuclear spin I = 9/2 and its lattice structure is tetragonal. The energies of the quadrupole states are obtained from

$$E_m = P\left[3m^2 - I\left(I+1\right)\right],\tag{2}$$

where $P = -5.9 \cdot 10^{-28}$ J and m = -I, -I + 1, ..., I. An indium nuclear stage is precooled to an initial state with B = 8 T and $T_i = 20$ mK, after which it is demagnetized to zero field. How long does the temperature stay below 1 mK?

- 3. Changes in magnetic field induce eddy currents in metallic objects. Derive an expression for the heating caused by this in a cylindrical rod, whose diameter is d and whose rotational axis is parallel to the magnetic field. Do the same for a plate, whose width and thickness in the plane perpendicular to the magnetic field are W and d. Apply the results in the case, where a nuclear stage with 35 mol of copper is demagnetized at a rate of 0.5 T/h. Use a RRR of copper of 500. Let the nuclear stage be
 - (a) a cylinder with diameter 40 mm.
 - (b) made of 2 mm thick insulated wires.
 - (c) Compare the previous values to a RRR 5000. What are the differences?

4. In ideal nuclear demagnetization, B/T remains constant during the process. Show that the demagnetization losses are given by

$$\Delta\left(\frac{B}{T}\right) = a\left[\ln\left(\frac{B_i}{B_f}\right)\left(q_{ns}\frac{t_{dm}}{B_i - B_f} + \gamma \frac{B_i - B_f}{t_{dm}}\right) + bt_{dm}\right],\qquad(3)$$

when the demagnetization is done linearly in time $t_{\rm dm}$ and a field dependent background heat leak $dQ/dt = q_{\rm ns} + bB$ and eddy current heating $dQ/dt = \gamma (dB/dt)^2$ are taken into consideration. The factors *a* and *b* are constants.

5. In the NMR picture calculate the electron temperature T_e and its final field B_f value at the minimum of T_e for a magnetic field dependent heat load $\dot{Q}(B) = Q_0 + aB$, where Q_0 and a are constants.