Managing Cryomodule Availability

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- Current assumption (in Tom Himel's availability study):
 - one thermal cycle (warm-up and cool-down) per every 5 years (in average),

Our common view:

- It sounds reasonable,
- It has been also supported by T. Peterson, H. Hayano, are N. Ohuchi
- The unit of the thermal cycle may be divided to be each ~ 150 m, and the ILC has totally ~ 16 units along ML. It results in ~ 3 cryomodules are to be warmed up per each long shut down in a year. Normally, the thermal cycle period should be ~ 1 week including warm-up and cool-down (round trip thermal cycle only, except for the additional maintenance work).

A little more detail comment:

- Cryomodule condition in short time shut down; Keep 2K condition,
- Cryomodule condition for a long shut-down: Keep < 80 K condition with keep the radiation shield cooled, (it contribute to save electrical power consumption),
- It is basically recommended to keep the thermal shrinkage maintained.

Further subjects to be studied; -

- estimate for MTBF and maintenance/repair interval for tuner and coupler,
- Homework with Akira to check it with experts (C. Pagani, S. Noguchi, others),