



ED PHENIICS Understanding basic principles of particle accelerators

Zoom on the LHC

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THE LHC

Note: most slides from today lecture are taken from seminars and conference presentation by others. In particular: F. Zimmerman, M. Lamont,...

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short LHC history

1983 LEP Note 440 - S. Myers and W. Schnell propose twin-ring pp collider in LEP tunnel with 9-T dipoles 1991 CERN Council: LHC approval in principle 1992 Eol, Lol of experiments LIBRARIES, GENEVA 1993 SSC termination 1994 CERN Council: LHC appear LEP Note 440 1995-98 cooperation w.Japan,India,Russia,Canada,&US 2000 LERP IMINARY BEREGRMANEE ESTIMATES FOR A LEP PROTON COLLIDER 2006 last s.c. dipole delivered w. Schnell 2008 first beam 2010 first collisions at 3.5 TeV beam energy 2015 collisions at ~design energy >30 years! we are already late if we want to get a new machine by ~2040!

A complex enterprise

- Beyond the particle physics challenges associated with the construction of the detectors and the analysis of the data, building and operating the LHC machine was also an immense challenge involving a large number of skills.
- Such machine usually takes several years to reach its full potential and the engineers running it improve its performance all the time.

References: <u>http://lhc.web.cern.ch/lhc/LHC-</u> <u>DesignReport.html</u> and « The LHC Machine, Lyndon Evans and Philip Bryant 2008 *JINST* **3** S08001 doi:10.1088/1748-

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The injection chain

- Particles can not directly be produced and accelerated in the LHC, several preliminary steps are necessary.
- Let's follow a proton from the source to the collisions...



Proton source



 Particles are extracted by ionisation of hydrogen as in a device called "Duoplasmotron Proton Ion source"

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- After the source the protons are accelerated in a linac.
- As the protons gain speed they travel longer distance in a RF cycle and therefore the length of the tubes must be increased.
- At the end of the Linac the protons reach an energy of 50 MeV.





Pre-acceleration rings

- At 50 MeV the energy of the protons is too low to be injected in the LHC.
- Several intermediate rings are necessary to bring their energy to the LHC injection energy.
- To save space the first of these rings, the PS booster is made of 4 rings stacked on to each other!
- All these rings use pulsed magnets which allow to change the beam configuration very quickly.
- The PS was built in 1959, the PSB in 1972 and the SPS in 1976.





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Why pre-acceleration rings?

- In a synchrotron the strength of the magnets must be increased when the energy of the particles is increased.
- It is cheaper to have magnets (and power supplies) with a limited dynamic range.
- As the energy of the beam increases its emittance (and therefore its size) decreases.
 Early accelerators in the acceleration chain must have a wide aperture whereas the LHC has a small aperture (a bunch from the Linac would not fit in the LHC).



Protons bunch splitting

1. Inject four bunches

- Another purpose of the PS is to adapt the bunch structure from the Linac to the requirements of the LHC.
- The RF of the PS is used to split 8 proton bunches into 84 bunches!



3. Fine synchronization, bunch rotation \rightarrow Extraction!



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The LHC

- Circumference:
 26659m
- Injection energy: 450 GeV
- 9300 magnets (1232 dipoles, 858 quadrupoles,...)
- Power consumption: 180MW



LHC: highest energy pp, AA, and pA collider



design parameters

c.m. energy = 14 TeV (p) luminosity =10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹

1.15x10¹¹ p/bunch 2808 bunches/beam

360 MJ/beam

γε=3.75 μm β*=0.55 m $θ_c=285 μrad$ $σ_z=7.55 cm$ $σ^*=16.6μm$

integrated pp luminosity 2010-12



Date (UTC)

2010: 0.04 fb⁻¹ 7 TeV CoM Commissioning 2011: 6.1 fb⁻¹ 7 TeV CoM Exploring the limits 2012: 23.3 fb⁻¹ 8 TeV CoM Production

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reliable luminosity forecasts

2012 Measured vs Predicted



peak performance through the years

	2010	2011	2012	Nominal
bunch spacing [ns]	150	50	50	25
no. of bunches	368	1380	1380	2808
beta* [m] ATLAS and CMS	3.5	1.0	0.6	0.55
max. bunch intensity [protons/bunch]	1.2 x 10 ¹¹	1.45 x 10 ¹¹	1.7 x 10 ¹¹	1.15 x 10 ¹¹
normalized emittance [mm- mrad]	~2.0	~2.4	~2.5	3.75
peak luminosity [cm ⁻² s ⁻¹]	2.1 x 10 ³²	3.7 x 10 ³³	7.7 x 10 ³³	1.0 x 10 ³⁴

>2x design when scaled to 7 TeV!

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Quizz

 Suggest reasons to explain the limitations of the parameters in the table.

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Answer

- Bunch spacing: if the bunches are too close they affect each other with their wake.
- Beta: if the bunches are too small, internal effects (space charge, IBS,...) can destroy the bunches...
- Intensity: It is difficult to accumulate charge in a bunch. Losses all along the injection chain must be well controlled.

$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ event from 2012 data with 25 reconstructed vertices





pile up will increase at higher energy → experiments request 25 ns operation in 2015

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LHCb



luminosity levelling at around 4e32 cm⁻²s⁻¹ via transverse separation (with a tilted crossing

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angle)

not completely trivial!





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Pb-Pb



- good performance from the injectors bunch intensity and emittance
- preparation, Lorentz' law: impressively quick switch from protons to ions
- peak luminosity around 5 x 10²⁶ cm⁻²s⁻¹ at 3.5Z TeV (2011) nearly twice design when scaled to 6.5Z TeV

proton-lead

- beautiful result in early 2013
- final integrated luminosity above experiments' request of 30 nb⁻¹
- injectors: average number of ions per bunch was ~1.4x10⁸ at start of stable beams, i.e. around twice the nominal intensity



beam orbits at top energy with RF frequencies locked to Beam 1

operational cycle



turn around 2 to 3 hours on a good day

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availability

- "There are a lot of things that can go wrong it's always a battle"
- Pretty good availability considering the complexity and principles of operation



some issues in 2011-12 operation

Beam induced heating

- Local non-conformities (design, installation)
 - injection protection devices
 - sync. Light mirrors
 - vacuum assemblies



UFOs

100

75

25

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- 20 dumps in 2012
- time scale 50-200 μs
 - conditioning observed
- worry about 6.5 TeV and 25 ns spacing

arc UFOs at 7 TeV:

1000

4x peak energy deposition 5x less guench margin

 \rightarrow 20x signal/threshold > 100 beam dumps?

2000

3000 4000 Flat top energy [GeV]





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Radiation to electronics

- concerted program of mitigation measures (shielding, relocation...)
- premature dump rate down from 12/fb⁻¹ in 2011 to 3/fb⁻¹ in 2012



another issue in 2011-12 operation

Electron cloud

- · beam induced multipactoring process, depending on secondary emission yield
- LHC strategy based on surface conditioning (scrubbing runs)
- worry about 25 ns (more conditioning needed) and 6.5 TeV (photoelectrons)





25-ns scrubbing in 2011 – decrease of SEY



25-ns scrubbing in 2012 – conditioning stop?



Electron cloud effect

- Radiation from a bunch can extract electrons (and ions) from the beam pipe and from residual gas in the vacuum.
- These electrons fall back and get re-absorbed with a certain time constant.
- However if the bunch frequency is too high these electrons (and ions) will accumulate in the beam pipe and shield the beam from the magnetic elements.
- Special coatings, beam pipe geometries and bunch repetition patterns can mitigate this problem to some extent.
- This is one of the main limitations to increasing the





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Zoom on the

2008 "incident"



A faulty bus-bar (SC splice) in a magnet interconnect failed, leading to an electric arc which dissipated some 275 MJ



This burnt through beam vacuum and cryogenic lines, rapidly releasing ~2 tons of liquid helium into the vacuum enclosure

R. Veness







The main 2013-14 LHC consolidations

1695 Openings and final reclosures of the interconnections Complete reconstruction of 1500 of these splices

Consolidation of the 10170 13kA splices, installing 27 000 shunts Installation of 5000 consolidated electrical insulation systems 300 000 electrical resistance measurements 10170 orbital welding of stainless steel lines

18 000 electrical Quality Assurance tests 10170 leak tightness tests

4 quadrupole magnets to be replaced

15 dipole magnets to be replaced

Installation of 612 pressure relief devices to bring the total to 1344 Consolidation of the 13 kA circuits in the 16 main electrical feedboxes

2015 – post LS1

- energy: 6.5 TeV (magnet retraining)
- bunch spacing: 25 ns
 - pile-up considerations
- injectors potentially able to offer nominal intensity with even lower emittance





	Number of bunches	lb LHC FT[1e11]	Emit LHC [um]	Peak Lumi [cm- ² s ⁻¹]	~Pile-up	Int. Lumi per year [fb ⁻¹]
25 ns Iow emit	2520	1.15	1.9	1.7e34	52	~45

expected maximum luminosity from inner triplet heat load (collisions debris) 1.7×10 ³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹ ±20%

Linac4 (160 MeV H⁻ instead of 50-MeV p)





Linac4 could double the beam brightness injected into the booster, but there may be other bottlenecks downstream (e.g. PS injection)

HL-LHC – modifications


(HL-)LHC Time Line



two reasons for HL-LHC: performance & consolidation

in LHC: 1.2 km of new equipment ...



HL-LHC Official Beam Parameters

Parameter	nominal	25ns	50ns	6.2 10 ¹⁴ and	4.9 10 ¹⁴
N	1.15E+11	2.2E+11	3.5E+11	p/bea	m
n _b	2808	2808	1404		
beam current [A]	0.58	1.12	0.89		
x-ing angle [µrad]	300	590	590		
beam separation					
[σ]	10	12.5	11.4		
β* [m]	0.55	0.15	0.15		
ε _n [μ m]	3.75	2.5	3.0		
ε _L [eVs]	2.51	2.5	2.5		
energy spread	1.20E-04	1.20E-04	1.20E-04		
bunch length [m]	7.50E-02	7.50E-02	7.50E-02		
IBS horizontal [h]	106	20.0	20.7		
IBS longitudinal [h]	60	15.8	13.2		
Piwinski parameter	0.68	3.1	2.9		
geom. reduction	0.83	0.35	0.33		
beam-beam / IP	3.10E-03	3.9E-03	5.0E-03	(Leveled to 5 103	$4 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
Peak Luminosity	1 10 ³⁴	7.4 10 ³⁴	8.5 10 ³⁴	and 2.5 10^{34} cm ⁻² s ⁻¹)	
Virtual Luminosity	1.2 10 34	21 10 ³⁴	26 10 ³⁴		
Events / crossing (peak & leveled) 27		210	475	140	140
					20



luminosity leveling at the HL-LHC

example: maximum pile up 140



Iuminosity & integrated luminosity during 30 h at the HL-LHC

example: maximum pile up 140



final goal : 3000 fb⁻¹ by 2030's...



HL LHC

NEW TECHNOLOGIES FOR THE HIGH-LUMINOSITY LHC



SERN

some HL-LHC ingredients

LARP

new final quadrupoles

- Nb₃Sn instead of Nb-Ti
- larger aperture allowing smaller β*



LQS03 (90 mm ap., 3.7 m long): 208 T/m@4.6 K, 210 T/m@1.9 K



HQ02a (120 mm, 1.5 m long): 150 T/m@4.6 K, 170 T/m@1.9 K

Goal: 150 mm ap, 140 T/m

11-T dipoles for dispersion suppressors

- Nb₃Sn instead of Nb-Ti
- provide space for extra collimators catching off
 energy protons or ions at ALICE, collimator
 sections, ATLAS & CMS





1-m model tested in April 2014, *B_{nom}*=11 T achieved!

Next: 2-m single bore, then 2-in-1





- move radiation sensitive power converters away from machine
- first prototype, 20 m – 20 kA, under test at CERN!



 also of interest for electrical power distribution

tests of novel *MgB*₂ and *HTS* (YBCO and *BSCCO*) cables

LHC / HL-LHC Plan





HL-LHC optics S. Fartoukh

Achromatic Telescopic Squeeze (ATS), «fully proven» MDs ($\beta^* = 15$ cm «easy», room for $\beta^* \sim 10-12$ cm)



typical ATS collision optics with IR1 & IR5 squeezed down to β^* =10 cm

schematic of crab crossing

• RF crab cavity deflects head and tail in opposite direction so that collision is effectively "head on" for luminosity and tune shift

 θ_{c}

- bunch centroids still cross at an angle (easy separation)
- 1st proposed in 1988, used in operation at KEKB since 2007

until recently plan was to vary crab cavity voltage for leveling, but this would change size of luminous region & is disliked by experiments (instead leveling by β^* or offset?)

luminosity reduction due to crossing angle is more pronounced at smaller β^*

"Piwinski angle"

luminosity reduction factor



HL-LHC needs compact crab cavities

only 19 cm beam separation, but long bunches



Final down-selected compact cavity designs for the LHC upgrade: 4-rod cavity design by Cockcroft I. & JLAB (left), $\lambda/4$ TEM cavity by BNL (centre), and double-ridge $\lambda/2$ TEM cavity by SLAC & ODU (right).



Prototype compact *Nb-Ti* crab cavities for the LHC: 4-rod cavity (left) and double-ridge cavity (right).

HL-LHC preliminary budget estimate



	Improving Consolidation	Full performance	Total HL-LHC
Mat. (MCHF)	476	360	836
Pers. (MCHF)	182	31	213
Pers. (FTE-y)	910	160	1070
TOT (MCHF)	658	391	1,049

(most slides courtesy of Dr Rhodri Jones)

LHC BEAM INSTRUMENTATION

Beam Profile Monitoring using Wire-Scanners



Limitation of WireScanners

- Wire Breakage why?
 - Brittle or Plastic failure (error in motor control)
 - Melting/Sublimation (main intensity limit)
 - Due to energy deposition in wire by proton beam
- Temperature evolution depends on
 - Heat capacity, which increases with temperature!
 - Cooling
 - Radiative
 - Conductive
 - Thermionic
 - Sublimation
- Wire Choice
 - 33μm Carbon
 - Good mechanical properties
 - Sublimates at 3915K



- Typical scan lasts 1 ms & total cooling time constant ~10-15 ms
 - Cooling during measurement negligible

Synchrotron Light in the LHC



Synchrotron Light in the LHC At LHC injection energy

- - Visible emission from D3 dipole very low
 - Short superconducting undulator added
 - 2 periods of length 28cm with B field of 5 T





Synchrotron Light in the LHC

Beam Synchrotron Radiation Telescope
 BSRT located in Point 4 of the LHC



Synchrotron Light in the LHC

Beam Synchrotron Radiation Telescope



Image Acquisition in the LHC Using a gated intensified camera



Image Acquisition in the LHC

Spectral Sensitivity S [mA/W]

- Proxitronic gated intensified camera
 - Intensifier max trigger rate : 200 Hz (~55 LHC turns)
 - Intensifier min gating : 25ns (1 LHC bucket)
- Present max acquisition rate is 10Hz
 - On paper 10 bunches per second but slower to get statistics

Photocathode response

- cameras equipped with N type during Run I
- Will be equipped with **T type** for Run II
- Overall system sensitivity
 - Enough light to see
 - single proton pilot bunch (5e9p) on a single turn at injection (450GeV)
 - ~20 Ion Pb bunches at injection, averaged over 4 turns

80 $\begin{array}{c}
15\% \\
Q[\%] = S[mA/W] \cdot \frac{124}{\lambda[nm]}
\end{array}$ 20% 25% 10% 70 5% 10 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 900 wavelength [nm]

Proton Image Example

• Beam

- Single bunch ~1.1e11p @3.5 TeV
- Acquistion
 - Accumulated over 4 turns at 200Hz





Beam Size Measurement with Synchrotron Light

Imaging Resolution



Synchrotron light limitations in the LHC

- σ_{correction}
 - Difficult to model accurately & simulate
 - Therefore experimentally measured ,knowing the real beams size
 - WireScanner cross calibration
- Size measured has to be de-covoluted by a correction factor to obtain the real size
 - For LHC correction factor is of same order as real beam size



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MACHINE PROTECTION AND BEAM LOSS MONITORS

1232 NbTi superconducting dipole magnets – each 15 m long Magnetic field of 8.3 T (current of 11.8 kA) @ 1.9 K (super-fluid Helium)

> Superconducting coil: quench at ~ 15mJ/cm³

Factor 9.7 x 10 ⁹ Aperture: r = 17/22 mm

Proton beam: **145 MJ** (design: **362 MJ**)

LHC "Run 1" 2010-2013: No quench with circulating beam, with stored energies up to 70 times above previous state-of-the-art!

LHC pushes the stored energy from few MJs to > 100 MJs





Collimation system



- To be able to absorb the energy of the 7 TeV proton, the LHC requires a multistage collimation system – primary, secondary, tertiary.
- The system worked perfectly so far thanks to excellent beam stabilization and machine reproducibility – only one full collimation setup / year.
 - ~99.99% of the protons that were lost from the beam were intercepted.

Machine protection system

- The LHC beams carry the same amount of energy than a jumbo plane at take-off!
- If a beam is sent on the beam pipe accidentally it could make serious damages!
- A complex "machine protection system" is used to monitor the machine at all time and prevent injection or dump the beam if a fault is detected.
- A system of flags and permits is used to prevent any situation that might led to significant damages.



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MPS

- The LHC beam interlock system (BIS) has 189 inputs from client systems (including injection).
- Behind each input that can be many individual tests / interlocks.



Beam permit



Beam Dump

Plant / Sensor

How to get rid of the beams?

- With so much energy stored in the beams they have to be disposed of with care.
- A special area "dumps" has been designated and instrumented for this purpose.
- All the energy can not be disposed of on a single point.







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The dump block is the only LHC element capable of absorbing the nominal beam. The beam is swept over dump surface to lower the power density.

STATIN'S IN



Without the sweep the beam could drill a hole with a depth of a few meters into the block ! Hydro-dynamic tunnelling

Beam dump synchronisation

- The beam dump must be accurately synchronized to the beam abort gap to avoid spreading beam across the aperture during the kicker rise-time.
- **The 3 μs long beam abort gap** must be ... free of beam !
- Possible failure modes:
 - The abort gap fills with beams (RF fault, debunching, injection error),
 - The kicker synchronization fails,
 - A kicker fires spontaneously (not synchronized).

Asynchronous dump failure



LHC incident on September 19th 2008

- Last commissioning step of one out of the 8 main dipole electrical circuit in sector 34 : ramp to 9.3kA (5.5 TeV).
- At 8.7kA an electrical fault developed in the dipole bus bar located in the interconnection between quadrupole Q24.R3 and the neighboring dipole.

Later correlated to a local resistance of ~220 $n\Omega$ – nominal value 0.35 $n\Omega$.

An electrical arc developed which punctured the helium enclosure.

Secondary arcs developed along the arc.

Around 400 MJ from a total of 600 MJ stored in the circuit were dissipated in the cold-mass and in electrical arcs.

Large amounts of Helium were released into the insulating vacuum.

In total 6 tons of He were released.

This incident involved magnet powering, but no beam!

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- Cold-mass
- Vacuum vessel
- Line E
- Cold support post
- Warm Jack
- \sim Compensator/Bellows
- 💈 Vacuum barrier

- Pressure wave propagates along the magnets inside the insulating vacuum enclosure.
- Rapid pressure rise :
 - Self actuating relief valves could not handle the pressure.
 designed for 2 kg He/s, incident ~ 20 kg/s.
 - Large forces exerted on the vacuum barriers (every 2 cells).
 designed for a pressure of 1.5 bar, incident ~ 8 bar.
 - Several quadrupoles displaced by up to ~50 cm.
 - Connections to the cryogenic line damaged in some places.
 - Beam vacuum to atmospheric pressure.

The Helium pressure wave damaged ~600 m of LHC, polluting the beam vacuum over more than 2 km.



Beam Loss Detection

- Role of a Beam Loss Monitor (BLM) system:
 - Protect the machine from damage
 - Dump the beam to avoid magnet quenches (for SC magnets)
 - Diagnostic tool to improve the performance of the accelerator







Machine Protection

- Failure in protection
 - loss of complete LHC is possible
- Magnet damage
 - months of downtime & significant cost
- Magnet quench
 - hours of downtime

Stored Energy

SPS incident

June 2008

2 MJ beam lost at 400GeV

Beam 7 TeV		2 x 362 MJ
2011 Beam 3.5 TeV		above 2 x 100 MJ
Magnets 7 TeV		10 GJ
	Quench and Damag	ge at 7 TeV
	Quench and Damag	ge at 7 TeV ≈ 1mJ/cm ³



The LHC Machine Protection System Over 20,000 channels from ~250 user input connections



Beam Loss Durations



- LHC BLM System
 - Main system to prevent magnet damage from multi-turn beam losses
 - Only system to prevent magnet quench



Beam loss monitoring



Ionization chambers are used to detect beam losses:

- \circ Very fast reaction time ~ ½ turn (40 μs)
- Very large dynamic range (> 10⁶)
- ~<u>3600</u> chambers (BLMS) are distributed over the LHC to detect beam losses and trigger a beam abort !
- BLMs are good for almost all failures as long as they last ~ a few turns (few 0.1 ms) or more !





BLM System Challenges

Design Specifications

- Reliability
 - tolerable failure rate 10^{-7} per hour per channel $\Rightarrow 10^{-3}$ magnets lost per year (assuming 100 dangerous losses per year)
 - Implies
 - Reliable components, radiation tolerant electronics
 - Redundancy, voting
 - Monitoring of availability and drift of channels
- Less than 2 false dumps per month (operation efficiency)
- High dynamic range 10¹³
- Fast (1 turn, 89 μs) trigger generation for dump signal
- Quench level determination with uncertainty of factor 2
 - Extensive simulations and measurements
 - Threshold values a function of loss duration and beam energy

Loss Scenarios in the LHC

- Orbit bumps or combination of orbit bump & fast perturbation
 - Much of the LHC controlled automatically with feedbacks
- Leakage from collimation regions
 - Debris reach cold magnets in dispersion suppressors
- Luminosity debris
 - mainly for inner triplets
- Injection losses
- Unidentified Falling Objects (UFOs)
 - anywhere around the ring (more on this later)
- Ion losses
 - Secondary ion beam with different charge / mass ratio
 - Around experiments: Bound-free pair production at the IPs
 - Around collimation regions: nuclear processes in primary collimator
 - Highly localised in dispersion suppressors

Detection Principle for main LHC BLMs

Visualisation of ion chamber operation



The LHC BLM System

- Ionisation chamber
 - ~3600 installed
 - Gas filled with many metallic electrodes & kV bias
 - Length 50 cm
 - Sensitive volume 1.5 litre N₂ gas filled at 1.1 bar
 - Speed limited by ion collection time
 - Dynamic range of up to 10⁹
 - Limited by leakage current through ceramic & saturation

Secondary emission monitor

- ~300 installed
- Vacuum filled, few electrodes & kV bias
 - Length 10 cm
 - pressure < 10⁻⁷ bar
- Complements ionisation chamber
 - ~70,000 times smaller gain



Ionisation Chamber Response

- Sensitivity 54 μC/Gy
- Time response
 - Electron collection 150 ns
 - Ion collection time 80 % at 89 μ s
- Absolute calibration +- 30%
- Dynamic (linear range)
 - minimum current < 1 pA</p>
 - maximum current 10 mA
- Radiation tolerance
 - Gain variation:
 - 30 kGy Δσ/σ < 0.01
 - 100 MGy Δσ/σ < 0.05
 - OK for 30 years of operation



BLM System Electronics

- Linearity
 - Measures currents from tens of pA to 1mA
 - Corresponding frequency from few tenths of a Hz to a few MHz
 - Linearity better than 5%



Linearity error (%)

The BLM Acquisition System



Tunnel electronics (Radiation Hard)

- Current to Frequency Converters (CFCs)
- Analogue to Digital Converters (ADCs)
- Gigabit Optical Links

Surface electronics

- Gigabit Optical Receiver
- FPGA for data processing
- SRAM memory for temporary storage
- Non volatile RAM for system settings

Determining Thresholds via Simulations

- Particle tracking to determine most likely loss locations
 - Any aperture reduction concentrates location of particle impacts
 - Localises losses at high beta values & reduced aperture
 - Quadrupoles, where orbit deviation and beam size is largest



Thresholds Compared to Noise Levels Are the thresholds safely above the noise levels?

- YES up to 5TeV but noise proportional to cable length
 - Better cable installed in LS1 to allow operation up to 7TeV
- RadHard ASIC being developed for HL-LHC

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Would allow mounting front-end electronics near BLM



Threshold Management

- Beam abort thresholds
 - 12 integration intervals
 - from 40µs to 84s
 - 32 energy levels
 - Managed by family
- Each monitor will abort beam if:
 - One of the 12 integration intervals is over threshold
 - Internal test fails





BLM Functionality – Collimator Verification

- BLM system used both for setting-up and qualifying
- Beam cleaning efficiencies ≥ 99.98% ~ as designed



Loss [Gy/s

BEM

Observing Fast Losses Dealing with Unidentified Falling Objects (UFOs)

- In 2012:
 - 20 beam dumps due to (Un)identified Falling Objects
 - 14 dumps at 4TeV, 3 during ramp, 3 at 450GeV
 - ~17,000 candidate UFOs below BLM thresholds
- At 6.5 7 TeV
 - Quench thresholds much lower hence many more dumps expected





Observing Fast Losses

- Diamond Detectors
 - Fast & sensitive
 - Used in LHC to distinguish bunch by bunch losses











Accidental beam loss



abels



Surprise, surprise !



Very fast beam loss events (~ ms) mainly in supercondcting regions have been THE SURPRISE of LHC operation – nicknamed UFOs*.

- ~20 dumps by such UFO-type events every year (2010-2012).
- The signals are consistent with small (10's μm diameter) dust particles 'entering' the beam.



*: Unidentified Falling Object, acronym borrowed from nuclear fusion community



UFO monitoring



- Monitoring of UFO-like loss events was initiated. The vast majority of events lead to losses below dump threshold.
- □ For LHC injection kickers UFOs could be traced to Al oxide dust → cleaning campaign during the long shutdown.
- There is <u>conditioning</u> with beam:
 - The (non-dumping) UFO-rate drops from ~10/hour to ~2/hour over a year.

In the injection kickers UFOs were traced to AI oxide particles.





Beam induced RF heating?



→ Example of temperature increase for kicker, collimator, detector during 4 LHC fills in mid Nov 2012

- → Temperature increase believed to be due to the interaction of beam induced wake fields with the surrounding → also referred to as "RF heating"
- → Temperature increase in LHC devices can cause several issues (damage, delays, dumps)
- → Other sources of heating of beam surrounding : synchrotron light, beam losses, electron cloud (not Nicolas Delerue, LAL (CNRS) addressed during this talk)



18 typical LHC days





Summary

- The LHC is a very complex machine.
- The energy stored in the LHC could destroy it in a single turn.
- Its operation must balance availability for HEP and safety.
- All known effects had been correctly anticipated however some unexpected phenomena were discovered.

THE JOURNEY OF A PROTON FROM THE SOURCE TO THE LHC

(Courtesy of D.Manglunki - BE/OP/CERN)





Radio Frequency Quadrupole (RFQ) ~1m; 750keV

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ULLER REAL PROPERTY




Transfer line from Linac 2 to Proton Synchrotron Booster (PSB)

Contraction of the



Individual extraction lines from each ring of the PSB

Recombinations 1+2 & 3+4 Extraction line from PSB to Proton Synchrotron (PS) & Isolde

Recombinations (1-2) + (3-4)

Proton Synchrotron (1959) 628 m 25 GeV ; 3x10¹³ p⁺ [5.9 GeV/u Pb⁵⁴⁺]

Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS) 6.9 km 450 GeV ; 5x10¹³ p⁺ [177 GeV/u Pb⁸²⁺]

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TI8 counter-clockwise transfer line from SPS to LHC

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Large Hadron Collider (LHC) 2 interleaved rings; 26.7 km 7 TeV ; 3x10¹⁴ p⁺/ring [2.8 TeV/u Pb⁸²⁺]