

# SPS Ionization Profile Monitor - experience from 2012/2013

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# Outlook

- Looking back renovation and expectations
- Noise problem
- Measurements on February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013
- Magnetic field issue
- LS1 activities



### Renovation

- During winter TS 2011/2012 SPS IPM was renovated:
  - MCPs exchanged (vacuum opened)
  - Electronics (surface and tunnel) exchanged to the same as in LHC
  - Optical systems and cameras exchanged to the same as in LHC
- System ready: end of May 2012,
- it supposed to work as it works on LHC!







# Renovation – optical systems and cameras







# Last time I spoke about it...

MSWG, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012:

- initially signals observed (in analog channel), but then disappeared
- suspected: camera communication problem (as in LHC)
- also one camera intensifier broken
- hope to solve during TS3
- *during TS3: faulty vertical corrector magnet exchange*
- logging to DB will be done once system functional





#### Signal distortion



Noise seemed to be linked to beam presence and maybe intensity, not to the magnetic cycle...



# Signal distortion

- Signal with beam -
- Signal in the lab

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# Signal distortion - remedy

• Cable shielding, moving electronics away from the beam and exchange of video signal amplifier



camera



electronics



#### Measurements on February 12th

- Only vertical IPM was working
- Signal seen before on LHCION, idea was to explore it
- SFTMD and LHC2 also measured!
- 40 scans with scanner 416V
- IPM was very stable, but not calibrated so the analysis is not tuned: no filtering on video, no tilt correction, etc.
- no camera gain control
- WS data: LoggingDB, IPM data: root files on VM
- Synchro WS-IPM: ±5s (my guess)



### **Optics functions**

Q20:

	WS 416	IPM
β <sub>v</sub>	71 m	517(V): 91 m
$\beta_{H}$	49 m	516(H): 88 m

FT:

	WS 416	IPM
β <sub>v</sub>	64.7 m	517(V): 90.3 m
β <sub>H</sub>	36.5 m	516(H): 24.0 m

#### + BGI calibration: 0.1 mm/pixel



#### LHC2 at 26 GeV



WS: scan IN Emittance (WS) = 1.05 μm Beam size in IPM = 1.93 mm



### LHC2 at 450 GeV



WS: scan IN Emittance (WS) = 1.13 μm Beam size in IPM: 0.46 mm

Disagreement because:

• lack proper calibration,

camera gain control, etc

• BUT there might be also

contribution from beam space charge and too weak magnetic field...



# Magnetic field issue



- Electron movement in presence of beam field is complex!
- Electron velocities and space charge distorts

the profile - visible for small beams!

- increase of magnetic field cures both effects
  (0.2T→ 1T)
- simulations Marcin Patecki (ongoing):

Proceedings of IPAC13, MOPWA034

- analytical estimations Giuliano Franchetti (GSI)
- Pierre Thonet stronger magnets



# Magnetic field issue

For which beam we need to increase magnetic field?

From LHC simulations- no significant effect for:

• 450 GeV beam



#### <u>But:</u>

- to be checked by simulations
- SPS is pulsing machine so it is easier to develop a correction procedure
- overlap of operational intensities with wire scanner



### SFTMD at injection



WS: scan IN

Good agreement!



#### SFTMD at extraction



WS: scan IN

Good agreement!



### LS1 improvements

- 1. Construction of new detectors, exactly the same as in LHC
  - Ceramic electrodes
  - Modern design
- 2. Exchange of cables (short ones), tunnel cable shielding, testing, camera communication
- 3. Change from current 2-corrector scheme to single corrector one:
  - Tested with beam in February

safe operation

- Powering scenario which assures cycling mode proposed by Gilles Le Godec
- 4. Studies ongoing to understand MCP issues
- 5. Synchronization with machine (bunch-by-bunch)



#### Scenario #5

Two existing converters rated 125V/125A in a serial configuration (Master/slave) with two magnets in series,

- Current reference = variable di/dt (max voltage is used, no control of the current during ramp up),
- Max requested current = 50A,
- Total Load (magnet + cables) resistance @45°C = 2.79Ω,



→ Rise time = 0.517 second

#### This configuration is relevant

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# Conclusions (I)

- 1. SPS IMP renovated during 2011-2012 winter TS and spring months
- 2. Long fight with noise problem stable operation in February 2013
- 3. IPM in SPS will be operational after LS1
- 4. (Because of MCP ageing it is not "switch on and forget" device)
- 5. Data from February analyzed most challenging LHC beam ( $\epsilon$ =1  $\mu$ m)
  - Obviously not a very good data, calibrations/synchronization missing
- 6. For this beam there might be an issue from too weak magnetic field (but OK for other beams and also we can probably correct for it)
- 7. Improvements foreseen during LS1:
  - Reconfiguration of magnets and powering system



# Conclusions (II)

- 1. PS IPM will NOT be installed during LS1
- 2. We are investigating this and electron scanner
- 3. It seems that there is a solution for magnetic field (Dominique Bodart)
- 4. Radiation is an issue, we would like to go to non-optical readout system
- 5. We think we could install a device before LS2



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# Movie (SFTMD and LHC2)



#### SPARE SLIDES









#### Negative electrode



# System: magnetic field

- Magnetic field needed to keep minimize beam space charge effect
- 0.2 T magnets originally from ISR, yoke modified to extract light
- Need to exchange power converters on SPS magnets to allow cycling.
- magnets are compensated (ie. 2 magnets/detector/plane in the same circuit)
- length 43 cm
- 20 cm space between poles
- Field quality:





Aimant type IMHH



### Hardware failures (other than already mentioned)

- HV ctrl card problem with compatibility with VME (linux CPU)
- 5 CID cameras stopped working, in most cases we suspect that intensifier reached MTTF (tbc by ThermoFischer).
- failures of MCPs
  - "conditioning effect" for MCPs
  - too high input electron current might kill MCP
  - abrupt HV change might kill MCP (and dump the beam!)

Killed MCP: creation a conducting channel through the plate: cannot set HV anymore, cannot amplify the signal.



# Cross-calibration (WS, BSRT)

- Because of old MCPs BGI sensitivity starts where WS cannot measure
- But for ions there was an overlap
- BSRT uses cross-calibration with WS, so calibration with BSRT is of



