



BLM Integration for Commissioning, Controls & Machine Protection – Proposal –

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- Brief summary of what to expect from BLMs @ FAIR
 - sensitivities, ion-species/energy dependence, left-right asymmetry
- Integration into Controls Environment
 - Comparison of FAIR ↔ LHC BLM specification
 - tentative specification: filter, threshold functions, ...
- Proposed use-cases:
 - Integration into Transmission Monitoring
 - Relative loss profile measurement \rightarrow warn/trigger on anomalous losses
 - injection/extraction losses, RF losses, spill monitoring, ...
 - ALARA : BLMs dN/dt more sensitive than beam current transformer based dI/dt measurements
 - monitor integral value (x-calibrated against radiation monitors)
 - Integration into SIS18/100 Machine Protection
 - · Collimator hierarchy and passive absorber scheme validation
 - Protection of electro-static septa wires
 - Test with known low intensity losses and record actual BLM signal ↔ a priori quick measurement
 - Protection of sensitive devices
 - provides upper loss/transmission limit for nominal operation

FAR Predicted BLM Sensitivity courtesy P. Boutachkov





FAR Energy Deposition in QP Module U beam, $E_{\mu}=2.7$ GeV/u (S. Damjanovic)



Source I – energy deposition from ions hitting the cryo-catcher



Source II – energy deposition from ions hitting the DQ chamber

FAR Energy Deposition for different Ions, Energies & Left-Right Asymmetry



- Quench (↔ damage) thresholds similar for considered ions & energies
- little dependence on initial impact angle
 - N.B. large angular spread of secondaries (further spread by material around vacuum pipe)



(N.B. LHC IC-BLMs lower sensitivity threshold threshold: < 1 pA)



local aperture limit

Source of Losses Location of Losses Machine status Steady Nominal Beam halo at collimators losses losses Tertiary beam halo & Beam-gas

Original use-cases (failure-modes)

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Slow

losses

Fast

losses

quench

collimators 1 All along 2 Q13.L -> IP -> 3 Collision products 013.R Partial He and air leaks, partial Local \pm 10 m 6 obstructions obstruction of a beam channel Local orbit bumps, B-beat Local \pm 10 m 4 Beam transient manipulations 5 Global corrections (tunes,...) IR3 + IR7 & Beam scans with targets (wire, Local \pm 10 m 4 measurements screens,...) Local + 10 m 7 Obstructions Complete obstruction of a beam transient channel Injection errors TDI, coll. at Q6 8 downstream of Accidental TDI, IR3/IR7 kicks (failures) Fastest PC trips (5 turns) IR3 & IR7 9 Asynchronous dump kick Masks in IR6, IR3, 10 IR7 Magnet Drifting beam/machine parameters Collimators, any 11

Specified accuracies, precision & required sensitivities (LHC specific values)



Table 11 : Dynamic range for the BLMC's in p/s.

		0.1 ms		0.1 s		1s		10s		100s		
		MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
	450	6×10 ¹⁴	3.6×10 ¹⁷	1.3x10 ¹³		10 ⁸			9.6×10 ¹³	10 ⁸		
	GeV	(C)	(A)	(D)		(E)			(B)	(F)		
1	7	6.5×10 ¹¹	3.9×10 ¹⁴	2.3x10 ¹⁰		10 ⁶			3.7×10 ¹¹	10 ⁶		
	TeV	(V)	(T)	(W)		(X)			(U)	(Y)		

Engineering approach: assess, re-use proven concepts, adapt were necessary

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- also known as: "KISS Keep it Simple & Save + avoid re-inventing the wheel"
- LHC BLM specification: EDMS #328146, LHC-BLM-ES-0001 Rev 2.0:
 - a posteriori specification: system was largely designed (final engineering checks) _
 - However: based upon & many decades of experience with SPS BLM system





Start with LHC-type BLM specification, however, with some differences for FAIR:

- most FAIR machines are fast cycling \rightarrow thresholds need to be function of time in cycle
- 'protons lost/second' impractical → keep native 'Gy/s'
 - permits x-calibration with rad-monitors

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- high uncertainties & unnecessary complexity on primary-loss-to BLM-signal transfer function
 - uncertainty on quench/damage/energy deposition limits
 - ion-mater interaction at low energies folded with loss location uncertainties
- relative beam-based thresholds are sufficient in most cases
 - fast-cycling SIS's \rightarrow (need to) rely upon reproducible performance
 - small continuous losses over long periods more severe than single large losses
 - very limited disastrous single-shot failures at SIS100 energies
 - · can check/verify with safe low-intensities and safely extrapolate to nominal
 - N.B. not possible for LHC: smallest intensity ('pilot' beam) is already dangerous at 7 TeV
 - notable exceptions: electro-static septa protection
- may study some specific but cannot study all possible loss scenarios (often little added value)
 - → aim at global concepts that covers also yet-unknown loss mechanisms/scenarios
 - uncertainty on steady-, slow- and fast-loss scenarios → keep flexibility and fix thresholds after having gained some experience with beam in SIS100 (ie. dedicated controlled quenches & material tests)
 - until then (& early operation): define loss thresholds as envelope around known/optimised losses taken during 'Pilot' and 'Intensity-Ramp-up' beam mode phases

N.B should check some selected key cases but Simulation of all scenarios provides little added value



FAR BLM System Specification LHC (EDMS #328146, LHC-BLM-ES-0001 Rev 2.0) → FAIR



- Key LHC BLM(S) parameters (\rightarrow FAIR):
 - Sensitivity: 5% of quench level (OK: 0.1% at 0.2 GeV/u and 10-6 @2.7 GeV/u @ nom. U²⁸⁺)
 - Dynamic range: about 10⁵ for signal integration time 40 μs (SIS100 BLMs similar)
 - Response time ≤ 1 turn (0.1 ms) (FAIR turn scale \sim 3.6 us<40 us incompatible with LHC-IC time-constant. Dedicated diamond detectors/read-out? For IC \rightarrow stick to 100 us integration)
 - Accuracy as given in 'p/m/s': < factor 2 (initial < factor 5)
 - FAIR: 'p/m/s' \rightarrow 'Gy/s' \leftrightarrow comparison with radiation monitors
 - Precision: < ± 25 % w.r.t. predicted quench level (less relevant for FAIR)
- Failure rate (reliability):
 - SIL1 specified (SIL3 achieved)
 - implies as good as new system validation
 - redundancy only provides limited reliability gain
 → key to reliability: performance surveillance + checks
 - check procedure improves failure rate by > 10²
 → should consider this option also for FAIR







Check which runs before every fill (for FAIR: once per day?):

- Connectivity check:
 - Detects non-conformities of cabling, verify HV, can detect issues in the tunnel electronics. (J. Emery et al., Journal of Instrumentation, Vol. 5, C12044, 2010)
- Internal beam permit check
 - Verify ability of every threshold comparator to send beam dump request.



FAR Example: LHC BLM Thresholds (original design)





• N.B. quench prevention @ FAIR not critical/driving requirement!

• However, heating/cooling model similar for material stress/destruction $\rightarrow 1^{st}$ order: <damage threshold> $\approx n \cdot <$ quench threshold>

E. Geschwendtner et al., "LHC Beam Loss Monitors", CERN-SL-2001-027 BI, DIPAC2001, Grenoble, France, 2001

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FAR Example: LHC BLM Thresholds (original design)





• Large uncertainty on shape of expected op. loss scenario, damage thresholds & rates → multiple sliding averages (FIR filter)

- Group into decades from 'turn' scale (fastest losses) to steady-state losses '1 ... 10 s' (cryo-plant limits)

- N.B. quench threshold is not the driving limit for SIS100! Windows merely intended to distinguish between fast and slow losses.







- One threshold function (of time) per integration window
 - folds energy, ion species, and other effects into one function
 - · aimed at simplicity from a BLM integration point of view
 - Initial setup strategy:
 - top-level integration to unfold and propagate to other new cycles (with different energy cycles, ion species)
 - Derive thresholds from actual measurements ↔ includes what can be achieved, actual machine stability, ...
 - \rightarrow warn/dump if nominal operation deviates from known set-up scenario
 - warning-level = n-% of dump threshold (linear scaling)



FAR BLM Thresholds III/II → Function-of-Cycle-Time – Data Rates

- minimum distance 1 ms to mask/increase thresholds during injection
- most loss-inducing beam physics/OP scenarios are during the first 1-2 seconds \rightarrow 2000 points
 - Injection, RF gymnastic, ramp, transition, more RF gymnastic (bunch rotation, de-bunching), slow extraction
- SIS100 slow-extraction is typically 10 100 s long, however, loss-rates changes only slowly during that time:
 - brute force: 12000 data points x (7 thresholds) x 4 bytes/threshold → 330 kB per threshold table
 - easiest set-up to generate thresholds: use actual measurement data for 10-20 cycles \rightarrow averaging+scaling \rightarrow threshold
 - reduced: 2000 points for first 2 seconds, then threshold rate @10 Hz or non-equidistant sampling
 - optimised: limit to e.g. 1000 threshold samples \rightarrow harder (but not impossible) to setup table

FAR BLM Use-Case Examples & Proposals 📻 💼 🏦

A) Integration into Transmission Monitoring

- Relative loss profile measurement \rightarrow warn/trigger on anomalous losses
 - assumes reproducible machine after initial set-up
 - does not require detailed BLM signal \leftrightarrow loss pattern \leftrightarrow energy calibration
- ALARA : BLMs dN/dt more sensitive than DCT/FCT-based dI/dt measurements
 - Simple/robust cycle-to-cycle intensity (loss) diagnostic
 - calibration against radiation monitoring system (provides absolute 'Gray scale')
 - estimation/prediction of activation potential of given in-cycle losses

B)Integration into FAIR Machine Protection concept (SIS18/100, linacs, ...)

- Collimator hierarchy & cleaning efficiency verification
 - aperture scan
- Intensity ramp-up concept/procedure
 - dedicated losses on septa wires with acceptable low intensity (
 → mapping to BLM signals)
 → a priori quick measurement
 - Test of collimator hierarchy and absorber scheme
 - via: controlled emittance blow-up at primary collimator
 - Upper limit for nominal operation

FAR ALARA: Beam Transmission Monitoring (BTM) – Problem Definition –

§§ Radiation Permit – limits on total dose per year (facility & external)

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- May not achieve required BTM using beam current transformers alone, or would need to impose unrealistic BI design parameters
 - %-level resolutions for stable beam conditions achievable but accuracy typically only 1-3% abs.
- Include BLMs and RadMons as complementary input to BTM system
 - single BLM resolution: 0.1%@inj. to 10⁻⁶@extr. for 1.5·10¹¹ U²⁸⁺/s lost on septa wires

Proposed operational procedure/scenarios:

- A) Low-intensity beams:
 - cycle-to-cycle time scale: mainly rely on beam current transformer and tune beam parameter to transmissions on 2-3%-level around established 'acceptable loss' scenario
- B) High-intensity beams (steps mask-able by SBF):
 - use current-transformer as for low-intensity beams
 - In addition: minimise global/localised losses using integrated BLM signals
 - N.B. a priori qualitative process: no quantitative primary-loss-to-BLM transfer function needed (However, some experience with BLM vs. FCT calibration at FNAL)
 - On larger time-scale: cross-correlate FCT/DCCTs & BLM-based loss optimisation with absolute 'd/dt(RadMons)' reference

ALARA: Beam Transmission Monitoring (BTM)

"As-Low-As-Reasonably-Achievable" Losses – a buzz-word?

• 'golden standard': should exhaust reasonable common operation practices of controlling beam parameter known to induce particle loss ("KISS in mind" – 'actual risk mitigation' vs. 'operational availability'):

Low-intensity beams:

A. Extraction/Injection Matching

- first-turn trajectory steering (BPMs),
- energy matching (BPMs & Schottky),
- coarse collimation (IPMs) (removing excessive tails at low energy before propagating them to higher-energy machines)
- bunch-length to bucket-space matching (FCTs)

B. Closed-Orbit Cycle-to-Cycle Feedback (BPMs)

- aperture optimisation (coarse, circulating beam)
- C. Tune & Chromaticity Correction (BPMS, BBQ)
 - optimises space charge, ΔQ spread, dyn. aperture, beam stability
- D. Emittance (blow-up) Monitoring (IPMs, FCTs)

High-intensity beams:

All on the left, with tighter limits, plus

- E. Optics Correction
 - Inj./extr. mismatch ($\Delta\beta$, $\Delta\mu$) correction (ϵ -blow-up optimisation)
 - ring beta-beat correction (aperture opt. & linearises/restores symmetry of the optics → suppresses driving terms)
 - detailed aperture optimisation (tune β bottlenecks)
- F. Detailed Collimation (e.g. 2-stage for protons)
 - see Ivan Strasik's talk @ HIC4FAIR'2015
- G. Quantitative slow-extraction optimisation
 - eval. 'Hardt condition', step-width measurement, ...

• frequent cause for loss changes

for discussion: 'acceptable losses' := losses remaining after having performed above steps

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FAR Relative Loss Profile Measurement Example: CERN-PS n-TOF Operation

Courtesy F. Chapuis & S.Mataguez, CERN

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Collimator Hierarchy Verification

N.B. checks cleaning (in-)efficiency ↔ MP checks

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BLM Examples: Machine Aperture

N.B. checks collimator hierarchy \leftrightarrow MP checks

Measurement Procedure:

- 1) Store the beam and record beam intensity N_{ion} .
- 2) Determine overall aperture bottleneck in the machine with collimators open and emittance blow-up.
- 3) Close primary collimator in plane of interest by a step to a known value of a^{coll}_{z} .
- 4) Store again the beam, record beam intensity N_{ion} and blow-up the emittance in the plane of interest.

5) Record beam loss rates R_{loss} around the ring.

6) Go to 3) until the machine aperture bottleneck is in the full shadow of the primary collimator

R. Assmann et al., "Aperture Determination in the LHC based on an Emittance Blowup Technique with Collimator Position Scan", IPAC2011

FAR Proposal: SIS100 Septa-Protection I/II System Identification & Calibration

- beam/machine response
- Similar to collimator hierarchy problem/verification:
 - 1) Generate known loss signal
 - lose full beam on septa wires within known time interval, e.g. using (for e.s. wire) safe intensity of ~10¹⁰ ions lost in '1 s', '0.1 s', or '10 ms'
 - a) Option I: using transverse emittance blow-up based method (K.O./TFS exciter)
 - · minimises orbit/optics uncertainties and feed-down effects
 - can be done with squeezed slow-extraction separatrix (extract on wire with nom. Emittance)
 - b) Option II: using closed-orbit bump into septa
 - · some impact due to bump non-closure and feed-down effects
 - simulates machine failures causing closed-orbit drifts
 - c) Option III: keep size/angle of separatrix constant and reduce step size across septa wire to < 100 um (N.B. a ~ (Q-Qres)/g)
 - d) Option IV: driving beam through (e.g. third-order) lattice resonances
 - 2) Record signal of all BLMs (esp. those down-stream of the septa)
 - monitor orbit bump amplitude (↔ beam size measurement)
 - monitor effective beam size with IPM (\leftrightarrow control for the blow-up process)
 - 3) FAIR 'Intensity Ramp-Up': repeat at specified energies & for new ion species/cycles
 - Measure losses at 1.10^{10} , (1.10^{10}) and 2.10^{10} ions/s on wire \rightarrow tests scaling of intensity effects
 - · Interpolate in between measurement points
 - · Fairly 'quick' measurement procedure taking few minutes only
 - estimate: 3 cycle (statistic) x 3 (1?) loss options + some cycles for no-beam references/lost injection etc.

FAR Proposal: SIS100 Septa-Protection II/II Wire- vs. BLM-based Surveillance

- Direct wire monitoring
 - N.B. predicted wire operation temperature '~1500 K' vs. '~1700 K' degradation/breakage
 - wire scanner experience: difficult to get this robust on the 10-20% level
 - some issues using thermal-radiation- or resistance-based observables:
 - calibration w.r.t. actual individual wire (peak) temperature
 - wire breaks at the weakest link highest not average temperature
 - effective wire diameter sublimation near beam axis over time
 - $\rho(T)$ non-linear dependence (+ wire diameter)
 - · wire emissivity changes at those temperature & changes over time
 - · uncertainties due to cooling via secondaries
 - sensor/electronics EMI due to beam wake fields & trapped modes, ...
- Advantages of beam-based BLM procedure:
 - intrinsically includes and is insensitive to actual optics and orbit errors
 - assumes machine reproducibility \leftrightarrow main working assumption for SIS18/100
 - relative calibration, little dependence on:
 - actual beam impact parameter (linearisation around working point)
 - BLM electronic gain (as long as it is stable in time ↔ determines frequency of re-calibration)
 - · particle species & extraction energy
 - Provides a lower (safe) threshold limit
 - N.B. other sources may produce similar loss patterns/signals however, wire is still protected under these circumstances (trade-off between 'protection vs. availability' may be required though)

- Integration into Commissioning/Controls Environment
 - 'protons(ions) lost/second' impractical → keep native 'Gy/s' observable
 - permits x-calibration with rad-monitors
 - proposed BLM sensitivity and dynamic range sufficient for FAIR ~104 U²⁸⁺/s @ 2.7 GeV/u
 - Trigger/threshold comparison based on running averages
 - 6 sum-filter (one per decade) from 100 us \rightarrow 10 s (+10³ sensitivity/dyn. range, $\tau_{BLM-IC} \approx 40$ us)
 - One threshold function of time per sum-filter (@ 1 kHz, $R_{warning} = (n<1) \cdot R_{dump}$)
 - brute force table ~ 330 kB/cycle vs. optimised (1000 samples) 30 kB/cycle
 - max/peak-detection for running sums
 - Relative beam-based thresholds (i.e. fix losses around established set-up performance)
 - target: 'Day I' (SIS100, 2020) with open thresholds → 'Day-N': activate threshold comparison as needed
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 - Integration into SIS18/100 Machine Protection
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• N.B. need to evaluate BLM-MP integration for machines/transfer-lines/targets after SIS100 where primary beam intensities/energies might be extracted into (HEBT, CBM, SuperFRS, APPA, ...)