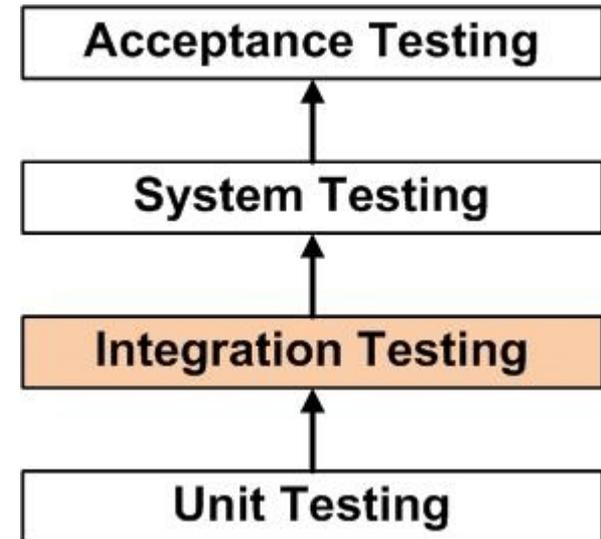


# Dry-Run Procedures & Sequencer Tutorial

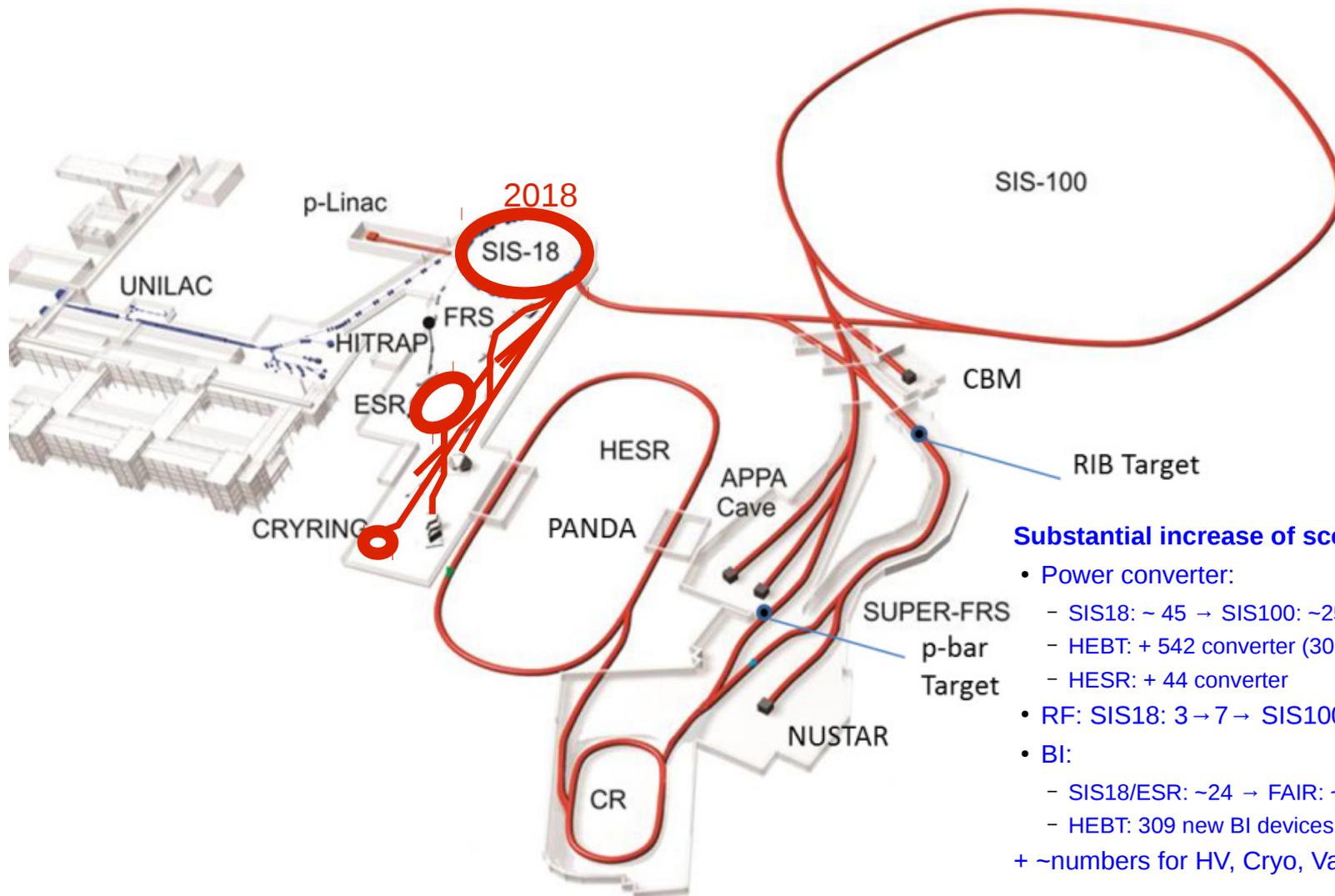
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Accelerator Operation



Equipment

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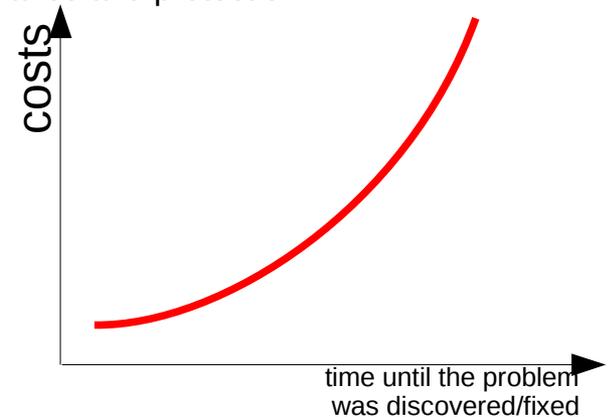
### Substantial increase of scope w.r.t. GSI:

- Power converter:
    - SIS18: ~ 45 → SIS100: ~250 converter
    - HEBT: + 542 converter (30 types!)
    - HESR: + 44 converter
  - RF: SIS18: 3 → 7 → SIS100: 38 RF sys.
  - BI:
    - SIS18/ESR: ~24 → FAIR: ~250 BPMs
    - HEBT: 309 new BI devices
- + ~numbers for HV, Cryo, Vacuum, TI, ...

... minimise common mistakes, procedural errors, etc. affecting machine performance and protection.

→ Fix problems early, when and where they occur:

- Minimises procrastination of errors
- “Safety starts with safe habits”!



• Benefits of early indicators of developing/not-yet-critical faults:

- Identification/isolation of faults during HWC/DryRuns (e.g. via Sequencer)

fixes “domino effect” problems at the source not its symptoms:

- HWC: parallel testing possible → resource control by SPL/equipment group
- BC: predominantly sequential testing → limited/no resource control ↔ “fire-fighting”

- Preventative maintenance

- early indication of drifting parameters (e.g. slow thermal runaway of IGBTs)
- group common/similar maintenance tasks rather planning for having react (minimises “fire fighting”)

- Post-Mortem analysis ('as good as new' SIL assurance)

- insures safety-integrity-level, minimises risk at the source before they escalate
- minimises human-intervention – OP/expert has to handle errors that have not/cannot be automatically analysed by the post-mortem system

- Procedures verify that functional and ‘Detailed Specification’ requirements have been fulfilled → FAT, SAT but also importantly for Beam Operation
  - checks MoU between various stake-holders (AP, BI, CO, RF, ...)
    - *define when, where and how the individual accelerator systems should fit in*
  - identify loop-holes/missing critical functionality
  - identification/isolation of errors & regression testing
    - *ie. minimises that errors fixed in the past are not being reintroduced*
  - ensures that HW is largely/fully commissioned prior to BC/operation
    - *N.B. HWC (testing in ||) vs. BC (testing predominantly sequentially)*
  - (semi-)automation: better to ‘act’ than to ‘react’ → triangle of ‘work to be done’ vs. ‘required project timeline’ vs. ‘available resources’
  - traceability and documentation (for your peers, SPL/management, operation, ...)
    - improve the quality of the project (QA)
- Test procedures describe the intention of what needs to be achieved
  - specifically not implementation or tool specific ie. implementation can be refactored without the need to change the intention of the test
  - terminology/hierarchy of: unit testing → integration testing → acceptance testing

- Description
  - test procedures describe the intention of what needs to be achieved
  - specifically not implementation or tool specific
- Entry Conditions
  - dependencies to other systems/conditions → reference to other test sequences
- Machine Setup
  - conditions to be checked beforehand
- Procedure – list of individual tasks
  - for each detailed testing step:
    - short-hand key for each step (e.g. 'step A', naming taken from DS document)
    - short description of what needs to be achieved (ie. a 'one liner')
    - acceptance criteria (either from DS or split into warning/error)
- Problems
  - be free to comment on (technical) concerns or potential issues
- Exit conditions
- Open Questions & Action Items
- References & Acronyms
  - where applicable, helps you with further QA documentation

The screenshot shows the website interface for the FAIR Commissioning & Control Working Group (FC2WG). The main content area displays a timeline for the commissioning process, divided into three main phases: Hardware Commissioning (6 months), Commissioning with Beam (3-6 months), and Assisted Operation. The Commissioning with Beam phase is further divided into Stage A (Pilot Beams), Stage B (Intensity Ramp-up & Special Systems), and Stage C (Production Operation with nominal Intensities). A red box highlights the details for Stage A.

**Stage A - Pilot Beams**

**Main focus for 2018 (re-commissioning, new CO)**

- main aim:**
  - drive the beam expeditiously through the [BeamProductionChain](#) (BPC): from the sources, through the synchrotrons, beam transfers, up to the experimental targets/storage rings
  - check basic 'accelerator mechanics': threading, injection, capture, cool, convert, acceleration/decelerate, stripping & extraction
  - identify beam-related limitations: polarities, RF, beam instrumentation, machine alignment, effective physical machine aperture, ...
- always done with 'safe' resp. low-intensity/brightness beam
  - initially with 'easily available' ions (e.g. U28+, Ar -> simpler optics, beam dynamics, etc.), then protons (tests transition crossing, etc.)

**Stage B - Intensity Ramp-up & Special Systems**

- main aim:**
  - achieving and maintaining nominal machine performance for a limited number of reference beam
  - check that the accelerator design and systems can achieve (near) nominal beam parameters, e.g. beam intensities, nominal transmission and beam losses for e.g. U28+ & proton beams, etc.
- commissioning of e.g. e-cooler (if not needed earlier), slow extraction, transverse fast feedbacks
- commissioning and validation of machine protection & interlock systems
- possibly unsafe operations always preceded by checks with safe beam

**Stage C - Production Operation with nominal Intensities**

- main aim:**
  - make fast setup and switch-over between different [BeamProductionChains](#) routine
  - push physics and beam parameter performance (intensity, brightness/emittance, momentum spread, ...)
  - identify and improve upon bottlenecks impacting FAIR's figure-of-merit
  - improve the machine model using beam-based techniques

BCStageA1 - Beam Commissioning - FC2WG - FAIR Wiki - Google Chrome

<https://fair-wiki.gsi.de/foswiki/bin/view/FC2WG/BeamCommissioning/BCStageA1>

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BC Overview

Stage A - Pilot Beams

- Phase A.1 - Injection and First Turn
- Phase A.2 - Circulating Pilot
- Phase A.3 - Injection initial Commissioning
- Phase A.4 - Ramp
- Phase A.5 - Injection & Extraction Optics
- Phase A.6 - Extraction
- Phase A.7 - Final Focus/Target Steering
- Phase A.8 - Preliminary Physics runs
- Phase A.9 - Special aspects

Stage B - Intensity Ramp-up

Stage C - Production Operation with nominal Intensities

You are here: [FC2WG](#) » [BeamCommissioning](#) » [BeamCommissioningStageA](#) » [BCStageA1](#)

FAIR Commissioning Phase A.1) - Injection and First Turn initial test in 2018

Last modified by [WolfgangGeithner](#) on 07. Mar 2016 - 09:29 - r11

- Description
- Entry Conditions
- Machine Setup
- Procedure
  - Details of activities
- Problems
- Exit conditions
- Open Questions & Action Items
- References
- Acronyms

Description

- Commissioning of the last section of the preceding transfer line (matching section + few metres before) and the injection region
- First commissioning of key beam instrumentation
- Commissioning of the trajectory acquisition and correction
- Threading the ring (first turn)
- Closing the orbit to be ready for phase [A.2 Circulating Pilot Beam](#)

Entry Conditions

Show..

Machine Setup

Show..

Procedure

Step	Activity	Who	Priority	Special Procedures YR GS GE 1S CR HR
<b>A.1.1</b>	<b>Commission Injection Region (1 Pilot Bunch)</b>			
.01	Commission final metres of preceding TL		1	X
.02	Setup injection elements with beam		1	
.03	Beam commissioning injection screens & grids		1	
.04	Detailed steering onto moved-in injection collimator (if available -> otherwise vacuum chamber)		1	
.05	Power injection kicker/bumper		1	
.06	Check stability of transfer lines and trajectory without injection kicker/bumper		2	
.07	Check stability of injected trajectory with injection kicker/bumper ON, measure kicker/bumper waveform		2	
.08	Beam commissioning Software-Interlock-System (parasitic)		2	
.09	Perform aperture scan at magnetic/electro-static injection septa		2	
<b>A.1.2</b>	<b>Threading Beam around the Ring</b>			
.01	Open injection absorber/collimator (if applicable, or not dumped onto vacuum chamber)		1	
.02	Coarse beam commissioning of BPMs (asynch. acquisition/narrow band, if available)		1	
.03	Commission trajectory acquisition and correction		1	
.04	Threading around ring		1	
.05	First measurement of energy mismatch (correction if needed)		1	
.06	First BPM and corrector polarity checks and repairs		1	
.07	Beam commissioning of DCCTs & ICT		1	
.08	Commission BPM intensity measurement mode (parasitic)		2	

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## EPC CommandModeTest Description

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Test basic Command Mode functionality (for the time being only 'DC pulsed mode')

- check interfaces
- switch state 'on' and 'off'
- do simple low-level device trims + actual vs. reference comparison checks

Some variable definition (to be shifted to LSA/device specific variables)

- I\_MIN: PC minimum current as defined in FESA 'Setting' property
- I\_MAX: PC maximum current as defined in FESA 'Setting' property
- currentStep = DEFAULT\_CURRENT\_STEP = 10 A -> 10% of PC I\_MAX
- currentTolerance = Max(DEFAULT\_CURRENT\_TOLERANCE = 1 A, 1% of I\_MAX)
- DEFAULT\_SLEEP = 5 s

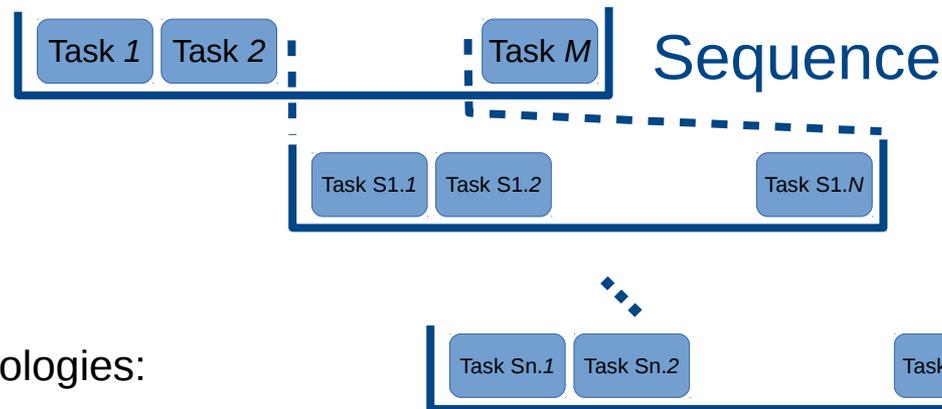
### Procedure

Step	S?	short description	Criteria
prepare		init device status handler	
step1	Y	<a href="#">FrontendVersionTest</a>	
step2	Y	<a href="#">GenericConverterStatusTest</a>	
step3		check for required FESA interfaces	
step4		switch converter to DC mode 'true'	
step5	Y	read I_min/I_max, check their consistency, set current step and tolerance	
step6	Y	check initial value is zero	I_actual  < currentTolerance
step7	Y	set DC-value to 'currentStep'	
step8	Y	wait for DEFAULT_SLEEP seconds	
step9	Y	check 'actual-reference' value for non-zero current	I_actual-currentStep  < currentTolerance
step10	Y	set DC-value to zero	
step11	Y	wait for DEFAULT_SLEEP seconds	
step12	Y	check 'actual-reference' value for zero current	I_actual  < currentTolerance
step13	Y	check that reference setting writes with DC mode 'false' are invalid	
step14	Y	check that writes on actual value property 'DCValueAcq' are invalid	
testStep		switch converter to DC mode 'false'	

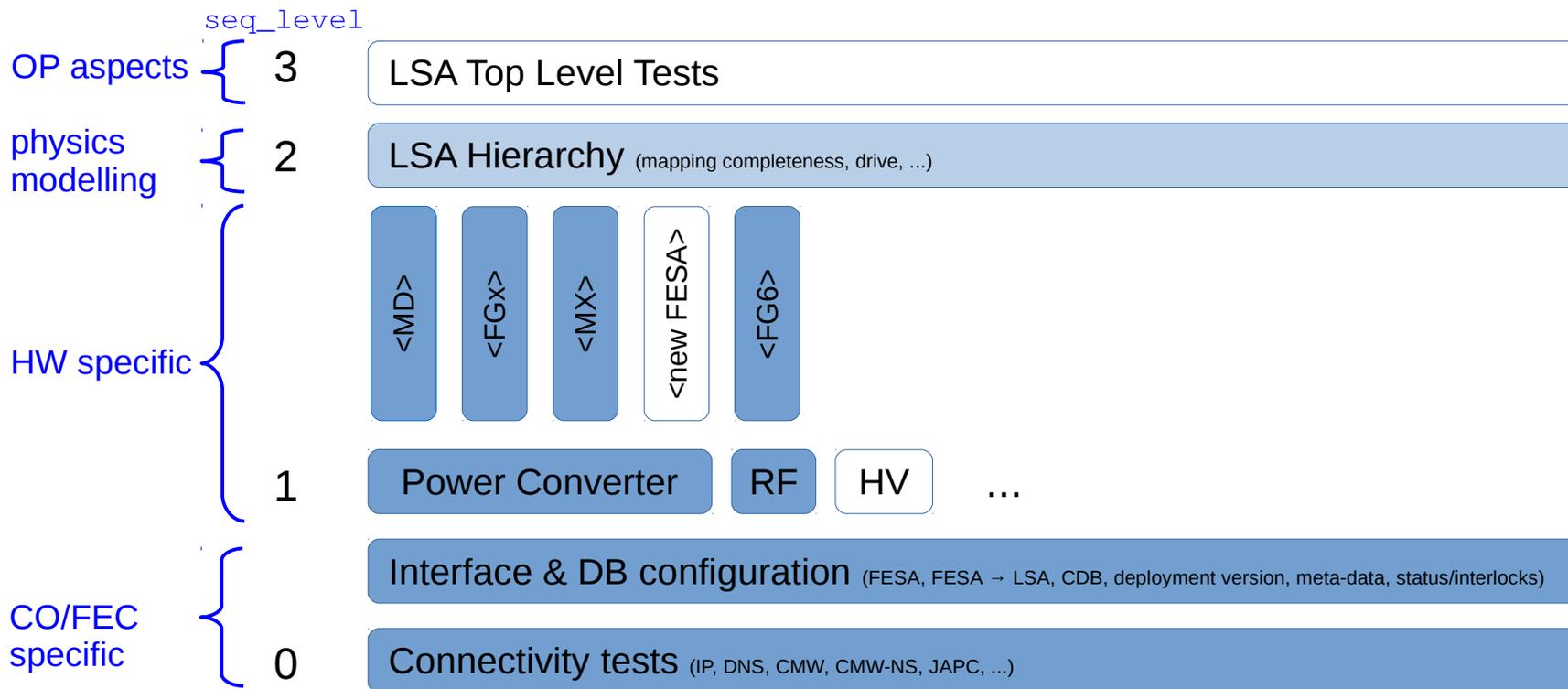
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- ‘Task’ = device class specific atomic test, e.g.
  - connectivity test, power ‘on’, power ‘off’, ...
  - actual vs. reference comparison, ...
- ‘Tasks’ can be assembled to ‘Sequences’ ...  
...which may also contain further sub-sequences:



- CO backbone technologies:
  - FAIR Archiving Systems → Documentation
  - LSA-based Settings Management → Reference & Data Supply
  - System- and Site-wide Digitisation of Analog Signals → ‘actual vs. reference’ process monitoring



- Some logstash meta-data keys (see: <https://logstash.acc.gsi.de/>):
  - Existing tags: program: 'sequencer', user\_name, pid, ...
  - seq\_device: e.g. device name, LSA property name, global function
  - seq\_level: <0 ... 4>, seq\_task: <task/class name>, seq\_sequence: <collection of tasks> (???)
  - seq\_testID: unique identifier for given sequencer run (↔ multi-user, parallelism)
  - seq\_test\_start: <time-stamp>

- What is provided by the sequencer frame-work:

```
abstract class AbstractSequenceImpl extends AbstractTaskImpl implements Sequence {
    void exec() {
        execPreUserCode(); // init communication to Archiving, LSA, Sequencer Service etc.
        execUserCode();
        execPostUserCode(); // reporting, etc.
    }
}
```

- Level 1 tests (provided by the CO/equip. Group/machine experts):

```
class FrontEndGenericConnectivityTest extends AbstractSequenceImpl implements Sequence {
    // [...]
    void execUserCode() {
        addTask(new Task("prepare", "init device status handler", this, () -> {
            deviceConnection = new GenericStatusTest(deviceName);
        }));

        addTask(new SkippableTask("step1", "check simple IP connectivity", this, () -> {
            if (deviceConnection.isHostReachable(CONNECTIVITY_TEST_IP) == false) {
                throw new RawSequenceException("testCMW3get() - failed");
            }
        }));
    }
    // [...]
}
```

```
class HwcTest1 extends AbstractSequenceImpl implements Sequence {
    void execUserCode() {
        addTask(new FrontEndGenericConnectivityTest(getParameter()));

        addTask(new Task("step1", "description #1", seqReference, () -> {
            task1(); // user/device-specific non-skippable atomic test operation 1
        }));

        addTask(new SkippableTask("step2", "description #2", seqReference, () -> {
            task2(); // user/device-specific skippable atomic test operation 2
        }));
        [...]
    }

    void task1() {
        // test SAT-A sub-procedure x.1, see specification... item ...
        // [...], may throw Exception (or derivatives)
    }

    void task2() {
        // test SAT-A sub-procedure x.2, see specification... item ...
        // [...], may throw Exception (or derivatives)
    }
}
```

Some examples to get a flavour of the targeted code style and flavour:

<https://www-acc.gsi.de/svn/applications/app-codesnippets/>

<https://www-acc.gsi.de/svn/applications/sequencer/>

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https://logstash.acc.gsi.de/kibana/app/kibana#/discover/default?indexPattern=logstash-\*&type=histogram&a=(columns:[logsource,level,Properties.seq\_device,Properties.seq\_task,message],filters:[{"state":{"store":appSt...

Discover Visualize Dashboard Settings

user\_name: "rstein" Actions

logstash\*

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- logsource
- message
- Properties.seq\_device
- Properties.seq\_task

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Sequencer Highlight All Match Case Whole Words

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18.Apr.2017, 13:41:06.355	asl743.acc.gsi.de	INFO	Sequencer Summary	Sequencer Main Class	device 'XPLPSIZ1C1' available as deployed version '0.4.2', interlock = false, opReady = false
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### Tested Sequences:

Sequence Name	OK	Skipped	FAILED
BasicLSATest	1	0	0
CommandModeTest	45	0	0
DryRunII_TestSequence	53	0	0
FecConnectivityTest	52	0	0
FecStandardTest	52	0	0
FecStatusTest	1	0	0
FecVersionTest	7	0	0
GenericConverterStatusTest	23	0	0
MiniMaspTest	1	0	0

### Detailed Test Sequences:

Sequence:Task Name:	detailed description	OK	Skipped	FAILED
DryRunII_TestSequence:DryRunII_TestSequence	basic Dry-Run II checks in view of Beam Commissioning in 2018	1	0	0
MiniMaspTest:prepare	init device status handler	1	0	0
BasicLSATest:prepare	init device status handler	1	0	0
DryRunII_TestSequence:prepare	prepare global dry-run sequence	1	0	0
DryRunII_TestSequence:BasicLSATest	checks basic LSA functionalities and interfaces	1	0	0
DryRunII_TestSequence:MiniMaspTest	checks basic MASP functionalities and interfaces	1	0	0
MiniMaspTest:check1	test availability and consistency of all_status property	1	0	0
BasicLSATest:check1	check if 'SIS18' 'B' ho' is defined and retrievable	1	0	0
BasicLSATest:check2	check if 'CRYRING' 'B' ho' is defined and retrievable	1	0	0
MiniMaspTest:check2	test consistency of MASP POWER_ON with device status	0	1	0
MiniMaspTest:check3	test consistency of MASP INTERLCK with device status	0	1	0
MiniMaspTest:check4	test consistency of MASP MOD_RDY with device status	0	1	0

Sequence:Task Name:	detailed description	Result:
- step3	check availability/conformity deployed versions	FINISHED
- step4	check LSA vs deployed versions	FINISHED
FecStandardTest:FecStatusTest	simple FESA status property test	FINISHED
FecStatusTest:prepare	init device status handler	FINISHED
- check1	test availability/consistency of FESA Status property	FINISHED
- check2	report on pending device warning and error messages	FINISHED
- check3	check whether device is in DC mode	FINISHED
- check4	check whether Status->Status is 'OK'	FINISHED
- check5	check device power state	SKIPPED_FAULTY
- check6	check device being in remote state	SKIPPED_FAULTY
- check7	check device being in (SW) interlock	FINISHED
- check8	check device being in OPready mode	FINISHED
- check9	check whether device modules are ready	SKIPPED_FAULTY

### GS12QS2D:

Sequence:Task Name:	detailed description	Result:
DryRunII_TestSequence:FecStandardTest	standard FEC test: connectivity -> version vs. LSA -> status	FINISHED_FAULTY
FecStandardTest:FecConnectivityTest	low-level front-end communication and status tests	FINISHED_FAULTY
FecConnectivityTest:prepare	init device status handler	FINISHED
- step1	check simple IP connectivity	FINISHED
- step2	check availability of RDA nameserver	FINISHED
- step3	check low-level CMW3 'get'	FINISHED_FAULTY

### GS12QS3T:



- N.B. no nice GUI (yet) but report similar to previous...

Simple Sequencer GUI Test <@as1741.acc.gsi.de>

**AvailableSequences:**

Filter:

- RecoverDryRunI\_TestSequence
- sequences.SuperFRS
  - MagneticPrecycle
  - PrecycleAllFrsMagnets
- sequences.controls

**Loaded Sequences:**

Filter:

TaskName	Device	Result
DemoSequence(F)	DemoDevice	FINISHED_FAULTY
unknownTaskName	DemoDevice	FINISHED
taskName1	DemoDevice	FINISHED
taskName2	DemoDevice	FINISHED
taskName3(S)	DemoDevice	SKIPPED
taskName4(F)	DemoDevice	FINISHED_FAULTY
taskName5 (5/5)	DemoDevice	NOT_STARTED
taskName6	DemoDevice	NOT_STARTED
shortTaskName (0/5)	DemoDevice	NOT_STARTED
DemoNestedSequence	DemoDevice	NOT_STARTED
DemoSequenceUnit	DemoDevice	NOT_STARTED
DryRunIII_TestSequence	DryRunIII_T...	NOT_STARTED
prepare	DryRunIII_T...	NOT_STARTED
BasicLSATest	DryRunIII_T...	NOT_STARTED
MiniMaspTest	DryRunIII_T...	NOT_STARTED
FecStandardTest	GS00BEF	NOT_STARTED
FecStandardTest	GS12QS2D	NOT_STARTED
FecStandardTest	GS12QS3T	NOT_STARTED
FecStandardTest	GS11MU2	NOT_STARTED
FecStandardTest	GS01QS1F	NOT_STARTED
FecStandardTest	GS01QS2D	NOT_STARTED
FecStandardTest	GS12QS1F	NOT_STARTED
FecStandardTest	GS02BE1F	NOT_STARTED
FecStandardTest	GS08BE2F	NOT_STARTED

execute more execute buttons (stop, cancel, step, ...)

**Selected Sequence:**

B	S	Task	Description	Status	P *
		DemoSequence	short description of what sequence is supposed to do	FINISHED_FAULTY	
		unknownTaskName	unknownTaskDescription	FINISHED	
		taskName1	taskDescription 1	FINISHED	
	S	taskName2	taskDescription 2 -- this test can be skipped	FINISHED	
	S	taskName3	taskDescription 3 -- this test can and is skipped by default	SKIPPED	
		taskName4	taskDescription 4 -- this will fail but cannot be recovered	FINISHED_FAULTY	
	S	taskName5	taskDescription 5 -- this test can be skipped	NOT_STARTED	
	S	taskName6	yet another task	NOT_STARTED	
X	S	shortTaskName	???	NOT_STARTED	

**Detailed Task Status**

**Task Name:** taskName4  
**Device:** DemoDevice  
**Task Description:** taskDescription 4 -- this will fail but cannot be recovered  
**Task Status:** FINISHED\_FAULTY  
**Task Parent:** DemoSequence  
**Break Point set?:** YES  
**Skippable?:** NO  
**Skip Set?:** NO  
**Documentation:**

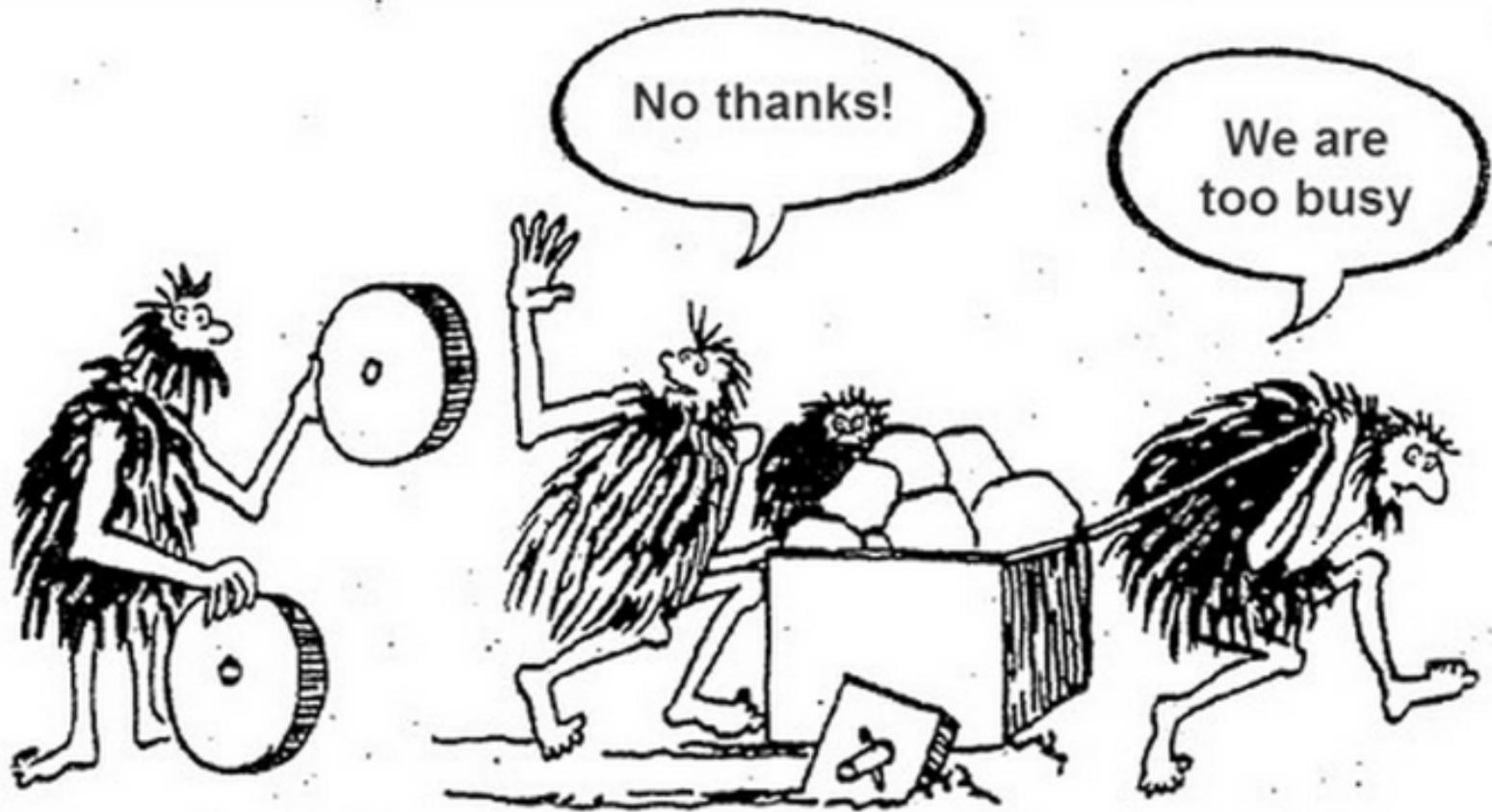
**Comment:**

**Warnings:**

**Exceptions:**

```
* throwable:
de.gsi.sequencer.demo.DemoException: something very bad happened
    at de.gsi.sequencer.demo.DemoSequence.lambda$3(DemoSequence.java:91)
    at de.gsi.sequencer.model.impl.Task.execUserCode(Task.java:54)
    at de.gsi.sequencer.model.impl.AbstractTaskImpl.call(AbstractTaskImpl.java:255)
    at de.gsi.sequencer.model.impl.AbstractTaskImpl.call(AbstractTaskImpl.java:1)
    at java.util.concurrent.FutureTask.run(FutureTask.java:266)
    at java.util.concurrent.ThreadPoolExecutor.runWorker(ThreadPoolExecutor.java:1149)
    at java.util.concurrent.ThreadPoolExecutor$Worker.run(ThreadPoolExecutor.java:624)
```

space for sequence/task parameter



- ... check-out the demos first
- ... check-out the existing sequences/tasks
- KISS: – keep it simple and safe & document
  - think about what needs to be achieved first
  - keep the code readable (→ for your colleagues & yourself)
  - stick to Java (~ C++) coding styles
    - PMD and 'Find Bugs' Eclipse plugins are your friends!
  - stick to CO coding-style guide-lines!
- plan-ahead: Java Experts (<5%) vs. Non-Java Experts (the other 95% at GSI/FAIR)
  - 1. document sequence → code
  - 2. code → document sequence

- Common Task Interfaces:

```
// example of the most commonly used/useful setter methods
```

```
final TaskUserInterface dummyCode = (taskReference) -> {
```

```
    // my dummy user-level code code
```

```
};
```

```
final CallableTask myTask = addTask(new Task()).setTaskName("shortTaskName").setTaskDescription("???"  
    .setSequence(this).setSkippableState(true).setSkipTaskState(true).setTaskBreakPoint(true)
```

```
    .setTaskRepetitionNumber(5).addReference("task info reference, e.g. URL")
```

```
    .addUpdateListener((updateEvent) -> {
```

```
        // call me if you want to be notified about task execution state update
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        // (usually only used within Sequencer service)
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    }).setUserCode(dummyCode).setErrorRecoveryUserCode(dummyCode).setPreUserCode(dummyCode)
```

```
    .setPostUserCode(dummyCode);
```

```
myTask.isSkippable(); // getters mirror usually setters etc.
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[..]
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