LSS4/6 and TT40/60 beam commissioning

- Organisation and responsibilities
- Preparation and procedures
- Results from the test
- Technical and organisational issues arising

LSS4/TT40 and LSS6/TT60



Main objectives in 2007

- 1st August 2007
 - Low-intensity interleaved TT40/TT60 beam extraction and measurements
 - Preparation for low intensity TI 2 (and TI 8) tests

• 26th September 2007

- High-intensity LHC beam commissioning of LSS6 and TT60
- Interleaved extraction of high-intensity LHC beam 1 and beam 2 to TT60 and TT40

Organisation and responsibilities

- Overall coordination by BT (BG)
 - In LHC terms : only EiCs and System Commissioners
- Commissioning team : the people doing TT40, TT60 and TL commissioning since 2003
 - 2003 LSS4 and TT40 beam commissioning
 - 2004 LSS4 high intensity and TI 8 beam commissioning
 - 2006 TT40 collimator tests and LSS6/TT60 commissioning
 - 2007 TT40/60 high intensity interleaved and TI 2 commissioning
 - OP, equipment and technical support groups fully involved
 - B.Balhan, E.Carlier, L.Ducimetiere, B.Goddard, M.Gourber-Pace, A.Macpherson, J.Ridewood, B.Todd, J.Uythoven, Heinz Vinke, J.Wenninger, M.Barnes, E.Calvo Giraldo, P.Collier, D.Forkel-Wirth, M.Grill, E.Hatziangeli, L.Jensen, R.Jones, V.Kain, T.Kramer, G.Kruk, A.Koschik, D.Manglunki, V.Mertens, E.Metral, B.Puccio, G.Roy, Helmut Vincke, N.Gilbert
 - Dry-runs and machine 'checkout' managed by OP (VK and JW)
 - Scheduling issues dealt with directly with OP (PC)

Preparation #1

- Meetings and documentation
 - Coordination meetings once per month, for 6 months before the test
 - Almost identical pattern in 2006 for first LSS6/TT60 beam tests
 - Factor ~3 less than in 2003 for first beam tests. Less time, more knowledge...
 - Simple web documentation
 - Main objectives
 - Dry run plans and schedule
 - Action/issue list
 - Test programmes / procedures
 - Expert lists
 - Safety-related information
 - Useful documentation (drawings, optics files, ...)
 - This last part was only partially complete due to lack of time / resources / priority to do a proper job

Preparation #2

Follow-up

- Tasks, actions, issues etc.
 by ad-hoc web pages
- OK for this small scope
- Need a better system if more complexity

What	Who	Status
Access system test with MKE in final configuration	James	done
Scheduling of dry-runs	Verena/Elias/Brennan	done
Definition of new extraction settings	Verena/Thomas	done
Beam instrumentation inventory and status	Lars	done
New TT60 BPMI electronics installed & tested	Lars/Rhod	done
ocking-off extraction elements during regular operation	Brennan/Joerg	not needed
High level application SW inventory and status	Mike/Eugenia	done
Proton numbers expected on TEDs	Brennan	done
Timing/prepulse/user/destination concept & tests	Mike/Joerg/Verena/Etienne	done
SPS intensity interlock	Joerg/Brennan	as per 2006
RP issues and formalities	Heinz/Helmut	as per 2006
BIC system test procedures and tests	Bruno/Joerg	as per 2006
Optics measurements and tools	Joerg/Verena/Alex	as per 2006
Shot-by-shot logging data and Fixed-Display requirements	Verena	done
Screen matching application	Verena	done
MSE transformer repair	PO (M.Royer)	done
Check need for test description document	Brennan	done
Acceptance test of MKE system at final voltage/pulse length	Mike B	done
Test operator CCC switches	Bruno P/Jorg	done
Detailed test breakdown	Brennan	done
Retour d'experience from 2006 for INB doc	Brennan	done (draft)
		done (not
Test of all aspects with beam1/beam2 LHC cycle	Jorg	MKE)
MAD-X extraction & TT40/TT60 sequence with aperture in db	Verena	done
Prepulse reception check	Etienne	done
MKE pulsing in remote from CCC	Etienne/Jorg	done
New FMCMs	Bruno P	done
TAG42 door acceptance test	Manfred Grill	done
Modify MKE to go to standby for extraction inhibit	Etienne	done
Test ŚW interlocks	Jorg	done
Decision on MKE4 interlock actions	Etienne	pending
Test of FMCMs with magnets	Jorg/Ben	pending
Confirmation of the TPSG intensity limits	Bruno	done
Test date to 26th September?	Brennan	pending
Dry run planning	Brennan	pending
Access system prepration details	James	pending
Bugs from test #1		
Pre-test checklist for cooling and power supplies	Brennan	pending
MSE delay and sum fault interlock tests	Jorg	pending
Modification of TT40 BLM thresholds - and back for CNGS	Heinz	pending
Logging checks for BPKs and MKE kick waveforms	Marine	pending
Follow-up of BTV problems	Brennan/Anna	pending
Decision on MKE4 interlock actions	Etienne	pending
Screen matching application	Verena	pending

Procedures

Test "Procedures" defined and used

- Worked out with OP and equipment groups

al checking or approval...

s adhered to (problems solved ad-hoc)



Scheduling

Test schedule changed about 3 times...

- Knock-on from delay/cancellation of TI 2/TI 8 tests
- Ended up with 8 week gap between low and high intensity dates

• Dry-runs were difficult to accommodate

- Need real machine cycle to be really useful
- Difficult to deploy in parasitic way during other MD
- Lots of limitations coming from access, EIS, kickers, ...
- Maybe more useful to apportion real machine time (3-4h)



The dry runs will be scheduled for the following dates, with the following objectives:

- Wed 4th July SPS MD: TT40/60 dry run
- Thurs 5th July PS MD: MKE conditioning
 Wed 11th July SPS MD: possible TT40/60.
- Wed 11th July SPS MD: possible TT40/60 dry run
 Wed 18th July DS MD: full TT40/60 dry run (including laidcast
- Wed 18th July PS MD: full TT40/60 dry run (including kickers and extraction elements)
- Wed 25th July SPS MD: final TT40/60 dry run
- Wed 1st August First TT40/60 extraction test

A detailed breakdown has been made of the dry run objectives.

Test program & overview – low intensity 01/08/07

PREPARATION	OK (but missed cooling water off in TT40)	
CYCLE & EQUIPMENT SETTING UP	ОК	
PILOT LHC BEAM SETTING UP IN SPS	ОК	
INTERLEAVED PILOT EXTRACTION	ОК	
INSTRUMENTATION CHECKS	ОК	
KICKER WAVEFORM MEASUREMENT	ОК	
STEERING AND OPTICS CHECKS	ОК	
QFA418/618 FIELD MEASURMENT	Skipped	
RECOVERY	ОК	
OPTIONAL: APERTURE CHECKS	Skipped	
OPTIONAL: MULTI-BUNCH EXTRACTION	Skipped	

Remark: no chance to do any of the low priority or optional stuff

Test program & overview – high intensity 26/09/07

PREPARATION	ОК
CYCLE & EQUIPMENT SETTING UP	Problem with TT60 magnet functions
HIGH INTENSITY LHC BEAM SETTING UP IN SPS	ОК
HIGH INTENSITY CIRCULATING BEAM INTERLOCK TESTS	ОК
PILOT LHC BEAM SETTING UP IN SPS	Problems with pilot beam setting-up
PILOT INTERLEAVED EXTRACTION	ОК
SWITCH TO INTERMEDIATE (12b) BEAM	ОК
INTERMEDIATE INTERLEAVED EXTRACTION	ОК
INTERMEDIATE EXTRACTED BEAM INTERLOCK TESTS	ОК
SWITCH TO 1 BATCH (1x72b) BEAM	ОК
1 BATCH INTERLEAVED EXTRACTION	Problems with BTVs, BCT, BPCKs in TT60
SWITCH TO 2 BATCH (2x72b) BEAM	ОК
2 BATCH INTERLEAVED EXTRACTION	ОК
SWITCH TO 3 BATCH (3x72b) BEAM	ОК
3 BATCH INTERLEAVED EXTRACTION	ОК
SWITCH TO 4 BATCH (4x72b) BEAM	ОК
4 BATCH INTERLEAVED EXTRACTION	ОК
SIMULATED LHC INTERLEAVED FILLING SEQUENCE	ОК
RECOVERY	ОК

Increasing extraction intensity...

- Procedure : increase bunch number (12 \rightarrow 72 \rightarrow 1,2,3,4x72) and I_{tot}
- Looked OK with 12b intermediate beam
- Too a "break" for 1.5 hours spent with 72b in TT60 to sort out BCT (reading low)
 - Problem was MKE prepulse kick delay, needed 2 turns adjustment
 - Diagnostics made complicated by, unfamiliar BTV screen shots from MST and MSE in LSS6, Sporadic BPCK readings from couplers in the TT60 line, no BLMs in TT60.



Interlocking

• "Full" HW interlocking system for LSS4/6 and TT40/60

- Missing still the "master" BICs configured with OR logic
- All active inputs included (FMCMs, extraction elements, bump positions, SPS intensity limit, WIC, BTV positions, magnet currents, beam loss, vacuum, TEDs, ..., ...)

• Some SW interlocking also deployed

- Magnet status, extraction element status, ...

Both gave excellent results

- Good availability once system was set up with pilots.
- Good diagnostics in case of interlock condition (easy to trace origin).
- Interlocks stopped some extractions, for good reasons (e.g. vertical instability caused losses in MSE, latched next cycle).

• Few issues discovered

- Some adjustment of bumped beam tolerance needed (BPCE noise in LSS6...)
- MUGEF comparison did not take current sign into account gave false "OK" when we had wrong current sign on MDLH (polarity switch) due to way we ran with 2 cycles...found with low intensity beam...!

Technical issues from low intensity 1/08/07

Fixed on the day

- No cooling water in TT40 at start of test improve checking procedure.
- 2 TT40 corrector power supplies still 'consigned' at start improve checking procedure
- Threshold on TT40 rad.mon interlock too low (CNGS access settings)
- MSE4 strength needed increasing by ~15 urad per magnet known issue (but forgotten)

Fixed before high-intensity test

- Large (6 um) SPS beam emittance (from PS) changed to nominal of 3.5 um
- MST/E 6 interlock delay needed adjusting done and tested.
- MSE4 sum fault signal not working fixed and tested.
- No logging of TT60 BPCKs control system / logging config mismatch config maintenance
- Logging of OASIS MKE waveforms not working.
- LSS6 BTVE screens giving poor images –tunnel CCD boxes radiation damaged and replaced.
- TT40 BTV40343 knocked out by first shot camera was replaced.
- Application SW bugs for MKE control (and MSE girders?) not sufficiently tested
- Access system: TAG42 + TT41 not "closed" mode last minute access reception

Pending or non-issues

- Interlocks on the beam1 cycle inhibited the next beam 2 cycle
- EMC/extraction kicker pulse seen on TT40/60 BCT measurement
- Screen matching fitting routine to be updated

Organisational issues

Dry runs and preparation deployment still crucial

- Could have been improved: some (small) problems could have been avoided.
 - Equipment not ready (especially extraction kickers)
 - Difficult to make parasitically on other SPS cycles
- Would make life much easier to allocate some real machine time for this
 - 1 or 2 periods of 3-4 hours?
- 2008 still intend coordinating these by 'system' with OP and "HWC" reporting?
- The clear and simple definition of responsibility helped
 - Balance between pre-defined test programme ↔ leaving OP/experts do what they do best
 - Still some ad-hoc problem solving, twiddling, parallel activities, ...
 - Still not obvious how this will work in CCC for LHC operation
 - Coordinators + System commissioners + CiCs + EiCs + HWCiCs
 - Needs a control freak in charge...
- Only the usual suspects from OP/LHCCWG involved
 - Those already working for some years with BT and SPS machine protection
 - Difficult to get others involved into well-established setup
 - Has to be said we did not try very hard, as the bases were covered

Outlook for 2008 from BT systems

- Things to be done for/in 2008
 - Operations to take over SPS extractions as "commissioned"
 - Final interlock system (Master BICs) available, installed and tested
 - Modifications to MKE6 PFN to improve flat-top
 - Investigate a few outstanding instrumentation issues
 - Rationalisation of logging for parameters in two extractions
 - Interleaved extraction and LHC injection sequencing
 - SPS to LHC transfer lines commissioned with high intensity
 - Build on 2003 2007 experience, so far organised by LTI
 - Commission LHC injection systems
 - Dry runs started, so far organised by OP
 - Commission LHC beam dump system
 - Now finalising ISTs and HWC moving to reliability run and CCC
 - Dry runs planned for week 7 onwards, so far organised by LBDS
 - Commission LHC MKQA system

Some concluding remarks/issues

- The general organisation for TT40/60 was OK
 - It worked, we didn't break anything, no fisticuffs, ...
 - Small scale and manageable (but some sense of working in a vacuum...)
 - Only limited "diffusion" to general LHC commissioning team
- More effort can be made to prepare tests
 - Documentation (drawings, optics, reference information, ...)
 - Dry runs beefed up (real scheduling in the accelerator programme?)
- What method should be used for follow-up?
 - Many issues and open actions arise how to keep track?
- Maintenance of logging configuration gave difficulties
 - Who is responsible for this? Equipment groups? End-users?
- Simple and clear responsibility was useful in the CCC
 - Especially when decision points arise, procedures needed to be adapted
 - Doubly especially when decisions were needed on MP issues.
- Any plans for 2008 for "operational phase" of LHCCWG?
 - e.g. More "real time" coordination of transition from HWC to Checkout & OP?
 - Or carry on as we are? (LBDS / LTI / LHCCWG / LTC / HWC / ABSIS / LSA)