

LHC Beam Position System -Implications for Machine

Protection

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MPP Related BPM Issues

- Dependence of BPM readings on intensity
- Dependence of BPM readings on temperature
- Sensitivity Settings for the BPM system



General Performance

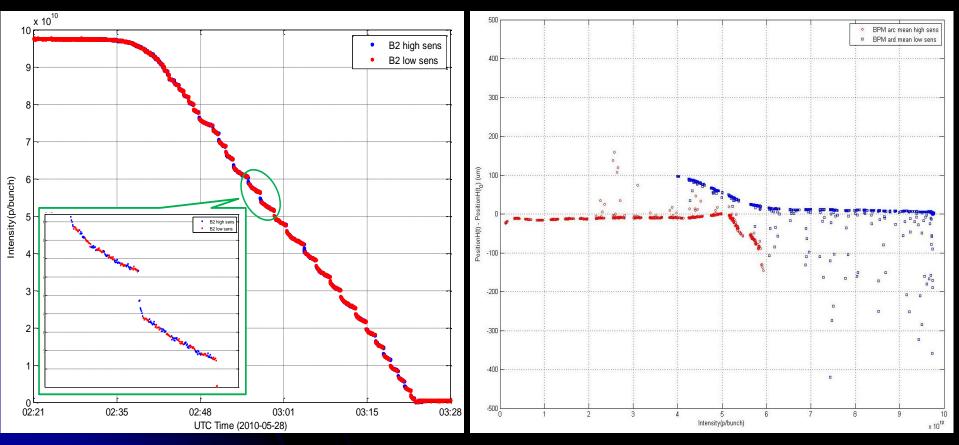
- Excellent availability
 - Only 10 channels out of 2150 currently masked (0.5%)
 - Rms noise too high or extreme offsets
 - Crates now rarely require reboot
 - Cause of remaining crashes still not understood
- Real-time data
 - Now transmitted to orbit feedback at 25Hz
- Modes
 - Currently using asynchronous IIR mode
 - Makes use of all data without requiring timing
 - Moving to synchronous mode using bunch ID can make position reading more robust but may impact on availability
 - Relies on fast timing & correct phase-in (seems to be reliable)
 - Will need input on bunch filling scheme
 - Can start by always measuring bunch 1



- BPMs work on bunch to bunch basis
 - Only depend on bunch intensity
- BPMs can be used in 2 sensitivity modes
 - High sensitivity
 - From ~ 1×10⁹ to ~5×10¹⁰
 - Low sensitivity
 - From ~ 5×10¹⁰ to ~2×10¹¹
 - Only changes threshold for bunch detection
 - No gains changed
 - Required to make system immune from reflections generated by imperfect cabling, connections & BPMs.
- MDs have shown that
 - B2 behaves as expected
 - B1 has a grey zone between 3×10¹⁰ and 5×10¹⁰ where neither sensitivity gives required results

BPM Dependence on Intensity - Beam 2

- One nominal bunch of 1×10¹¹ slowly scraped away using a primary collimator
- Sensitivity constantly changed from high to low
 - Outliers due to acquisition overlapping two sensitivity ranges
- Sensitivity ranges seen to overlap as expected at around 5×10¹⁰

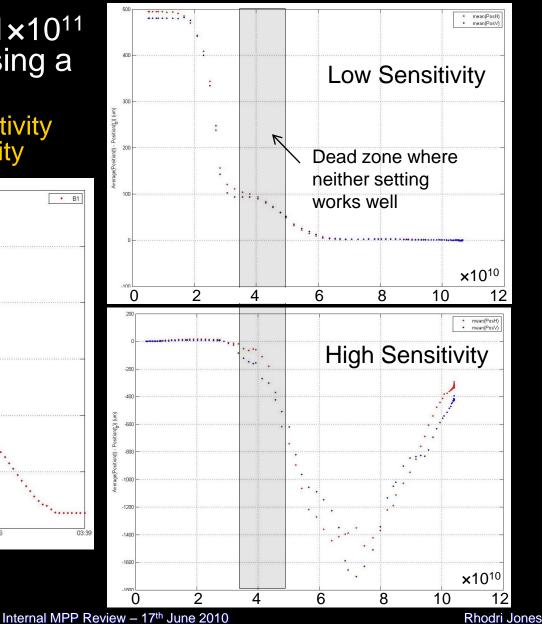


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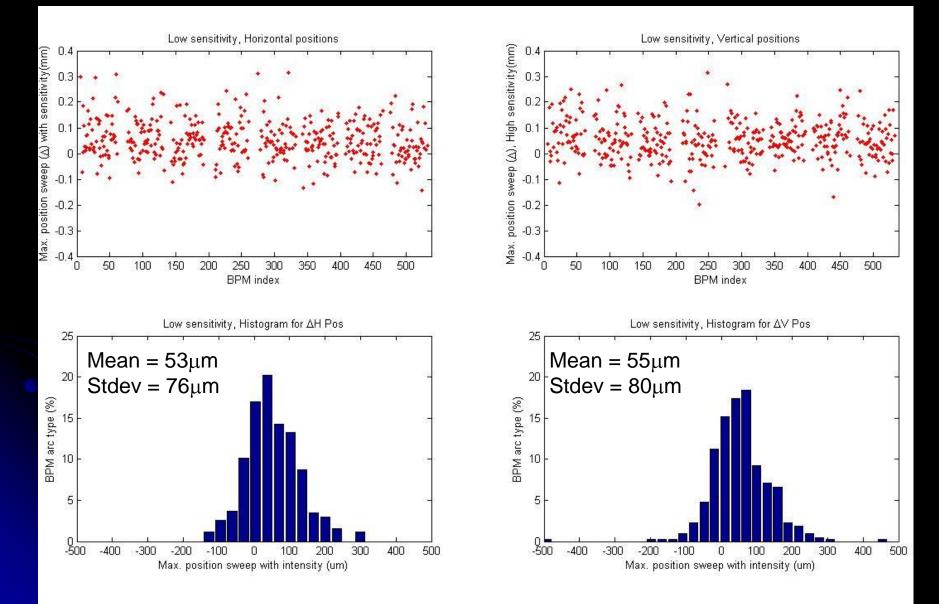
BPM Dependence on Intensity - Beam 1

- One nominal bunch of 1×10¹¹ slowly scraped away using a primary collimator
 - 2 fills one for low sensitivity and one for high sensitivity

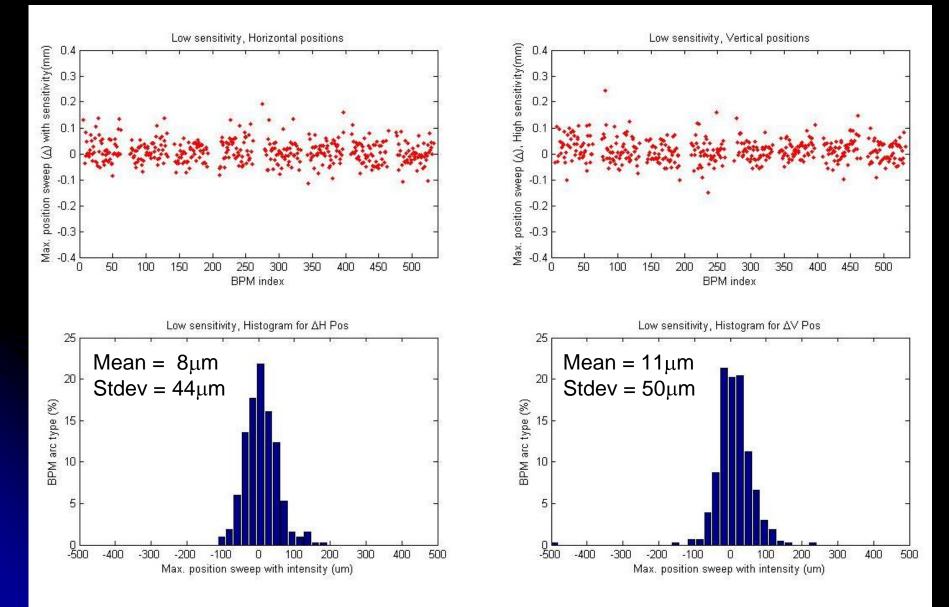




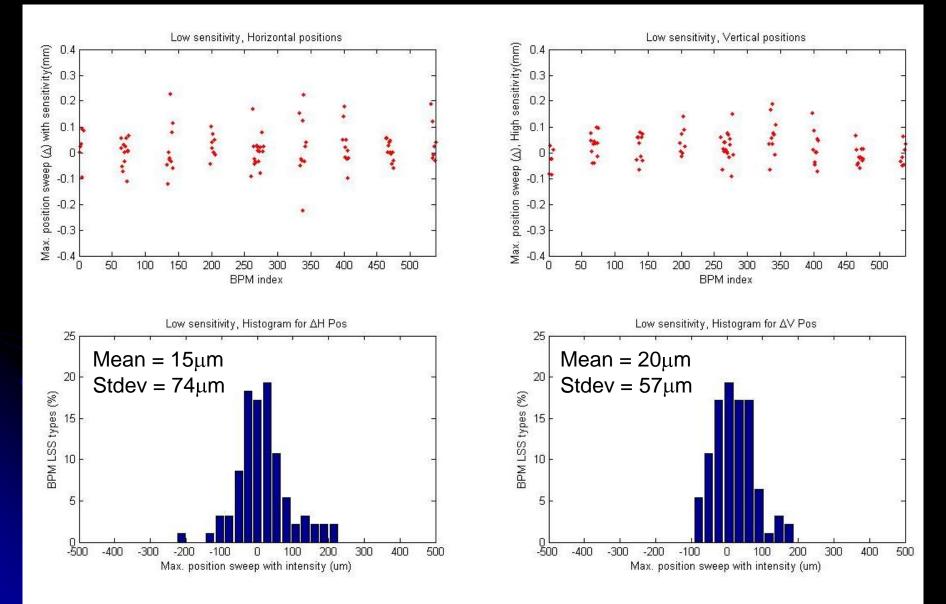
B1 Arc BPM variation - 5×10¹⁰ to 1×10¹¹



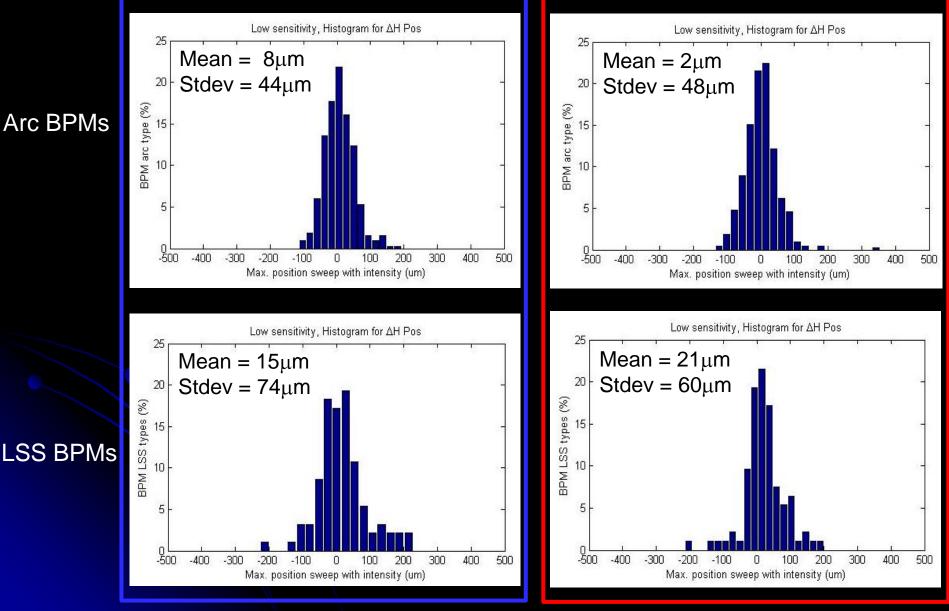
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B1 LSS BPM variation - 6×10¹⁰ to 1×10¹¹



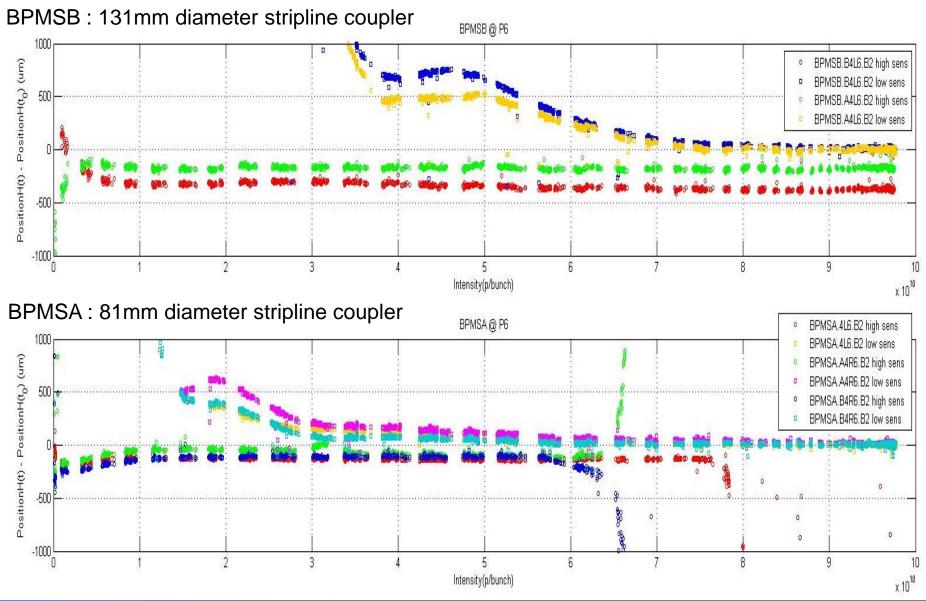
B1 v B2 Comparison - 6×10¹⁰ to 1×10¹¹



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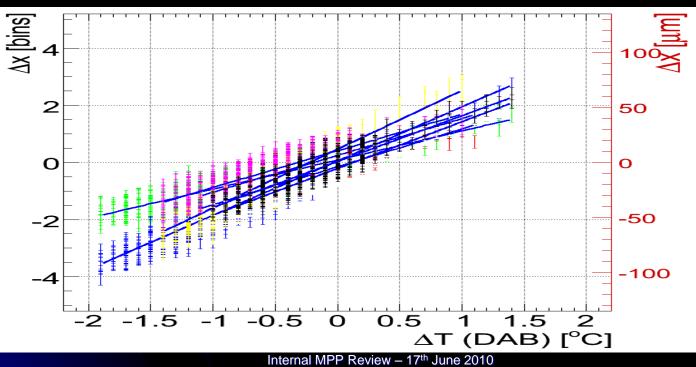
Interlock BPMs in LSS6 – Beam 2



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BPM Position Dependence on Temperature

- Main component known to suffer temperature dependence is the wide band time normaliser integrator card
 - Located on surface
 - Prone to relatively large temperature variation
 - Position encoded in pulse length 10 ± 1.5ns
 - Temperature affects offset & hence integral
 - position dependence should be minimal
 - Clear correlation between acquisition card temperature and position





BPM System Conclusions

- Position dependence on intensity
 - Max variation with intensity <200μm for 6×10¹⁰ to 1×10¹¹
 - Beam 1 in high sensitivity still to be understood for 3.5×10¹⁰ to 5×10¹⁰
 - Hypothesis that intensity card is influencing B1 power supplies
- Position dependence on temperature
 - Temperature variations (~50µm / °C)
 - New software being tested to correct for this on-line
- Other Issues
 - How reproducible are we?
 - Difficult to measure calibration shows little variation apart from temperature
 - Influence of other beam on directional BPMs in the IRs
 - New firmware & software using synchronous mode & bunch selection being tested to overcome this
 - May also help overcome B1 issues in high sensitivity
 - Interlock BPMs in LSS6
 - Need to adapt large aperture pick-up amplitudes
 - Work always in high sensitivity?
 - Would not work below 5×10⁹ & above ~1.2×10¹¹
 - Otherwise need to learn how to cope with sensitivity switching