- The BLM system (short overview)
- Data from the BLM system
- Installation in the arcs
- Installation in the insertion regions

- Machine protection against damage of equipment and magnet quenches
- Setup of the collimators
- Localization of beam losses and help in identification of loss mechanism
- Machine setup and studies

| Position | Description  | Number of detectors |  |
|----------|--|---------------------|--|
| BLMA     | Quadrupoles along the ring (6 per quadrupole), ionization chambers attached outside of cryostat, time resolution 2.5ms.                | ~3000               |  |
| BLMS     | Critical aperture limits or positions, ionization chambers, time resolutions 1 turn: <b>BLMSI</b> (ion. ch.)                           | ~400                |  |
| BLMS*    | Critical positions for injection losses, extended dynamic range: <b>BLMSI</b> (ion. ch.) + <b>BLMSS</b> (SEM), time resolution 1 turn. | ~100                |  |
| BLMC     | Collimation sections, <b>BLMCI</b> (ion. ch.) + <b>BLMCS</b> (SEM), time resolution 1 turn, used to set up the collimators.            | ~110                |  |
| BLMB     | Primary collimators, not part of baseline scenario, for beam studies, bunch-by-bunch resolution.                                       | 10                  |  |

|              |         | min                        | max                         |                          |
|--------------|---------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| BLMA<br>BLMS | 7 TeV   | 5 10 <sup>3</sup>          | 8 10 <sup>8</sup>           | mips / cm² s             |
|              | 450 GeV | <b>10</b> <sup>2</sup>     | <b>10</b> <sup>10</sup>     | mips / cm² s             |
| BLMC         | 7 TeV   | <b>1.5 10</b> <sup>4</sup> | <b>6.4 10</b> <sup>13</sup> | mips / cm <sup>2</sup> s |
|              | 450 GeV | <b>2 10</b> <sup>5</sup>   | <b>10</b> <sup>16</sup>     | mips / cm² s             |

- Dump signal
- Logging
- Post mortem

These data have to be read with a rate of a second in order to be stored in a database as well as to give a graphical representation for the control room.



- The card's Threshold table. (~ 22 KBytes)
- The measured & calculated data. (< 2 KBytes)</li>
- The used Threshold values. (< 1 KBytes)</li>
- The max of read values (100 Bytes)
- Additional info (card ID, status, errors) (~16 Bytes)

Total from each card ~ 28KB per minute

From C. Zamantzas, not jet implemented – under discussion.

#### How a Control Room Representation could look

# The Control Room will be able to issue the Warning level alerts from logging data and have a graphical representation:



The 12 values measured for each detector have to be normalised by their corresponding threshold value; from those 12 the maximum value is displayed.

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### **Post Mortem Data Recording**

#### Two circular buffers

- 2000 turns of both signals received
- Integrals of 10 ms (data needed for further analysis)
- Double the above system and toggle between them using the stop PM recording trigger
  - Never stop recording (i.e. avoid start input)
  - Test of PM will be possible anytime
  - Accidental/error-triggering proof
- PM freeze from TTCrx through the backplane.
- Time-Stamp appended later by crate CPU.
  - At PM freeze the CPU records the time and later when it reads the PM Data appends it to them.

#### Calculations:

- 1000 turns  $\Rightarrow$  2000 acquisitions \* ~250 bits frameword
- $\Rightarrow$  60 KB/signal \* 2 signals/card = 120 KB /card
- $\Rightarrow$  120KB/card \* 18 cards/crate = 2.1 MB /crate

#### From C. Zamantzas, not jet implemented – under discussion.

#### **BLM** locations in the arcs – transverse plane

Phi (angle in transverse plane) distribution of particles exiting the vacuum vessel (GEANT simulation)





- BLMs installed outside of the cryostat, maximal signal in horizontal plane (least amount of material).
- Number of shower particles underneath the cryostat: ~10 times less than in horizontal plane.

#### **BLM locations in the arcs – longitudinal**

- 3 loss locations simulated: shower development through the cryostat, GEANT 3.
- The positions of the BLMs are chosen to:
  - reduce difference between inside and outside loss
  - minimize crosstalk
  - distributed loss to resemble point loss
  - reduce difference with and without MDCO.



# First simulation results on longitudinal proton loss distribution

Tracking of tertiary halo particles, E.B. Holzer and V. Kain (end of 2003), complete aperture model (DS and arc right of IR7), (halo particles simulated by R. Assmann), ideal alignment.



Longitudinal losses strongly peaked at the beginning of the quadrupoles (dipoles not shown).

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#### **BLM** installation in the insertion regions

- Collimation regions
- ATLAS and CMS
- Injection (ALICE and LHC B)
- IR4 and IR6

Sketch with detector locations and number of monitors (G. Ferioli):

BLMA (blue), BLMC (red), BLMS (black) ... number of monitors per location

Table with the BLMS ("SI" – ionization chamber, and "SS" – SEM) and BLMC ("CI" and "CS") locations per insertion region.

One side of IP only, has to be multiplied by two to get the number per IP, if not indicated differently.

Only one beam, if not indicated differently.

#### **Collimation regions**



BLMA (blue), BLMC (red), BLMS (black) ... number of monitors per location

| IR | Collimator     | DIS  | DIS  | DIS |
|----|----------------|------|------|-----|
|    |                | Q8   | Q11  | XX  |
|    |                | prot | prot | ion |
| 3  | xxx<br>CI + CS | SI   | SI   | SI  |
| 7  | xxx<br>CI + CS | SI   | SI   | SI  |

Number of BLMS and BLMC locations

One side of IP only, has to be multiplied by two to get the number per IP, if not indicated differently.

Only one beam, if not indicated differently



| IR | TAS   | TRIPLET<br>two beam | TRIPL<br>ET abs | TAN   | TCL1 | TCL2 | XRP<br>4<br>locations | DIS<br>Q8<br>prot | DIS<br>Q11<br>prot | DIS<br>xx<br>cap<br>ion |
|----|-------|---------------------|-----------------|-------|------|------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 1  | SI+SS | 2*SI                | SS              | SI+SS | SI   | SI   |                       | SI                | SI                 | SI                      |
| 5  | SI+SS | 2*SI                | SS              | SI+SS | SI   | SI   | 4*SI                  | SI                | SI                 | SI                      |

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## Injection – IR2 (ALICE) and IR8 (LHC B)



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#### IR4 (RF, instrumentation) and IR6 (extraction)



| IR | MSD   | TCDQ  | TCDS  | Q5    |               |
|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------------|
| 4  |       |       |       |       | to be defined |
| 6  | SI+SS | SI+SS | SI+SS | SI+SS |               |

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Your input needed

- BLM locations in IR3, IR7 and IR4
- Comments on the locations in IR1, IR2, IR5 and IR6