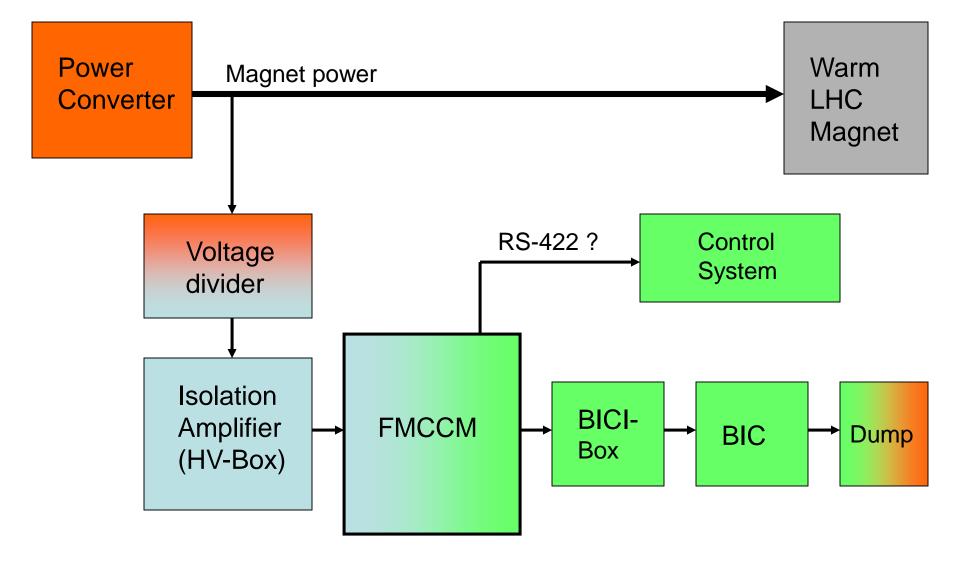
Tests of the FMCCM at CERN

- FMCCM = Fast Magnet Current Change Monitor
- Tests were made on different test benches for D1 magnet (dipole) and MSE (Extraction Septum)
- Power converter filters were different from real filters
- Only one magnet, not many magnets in series

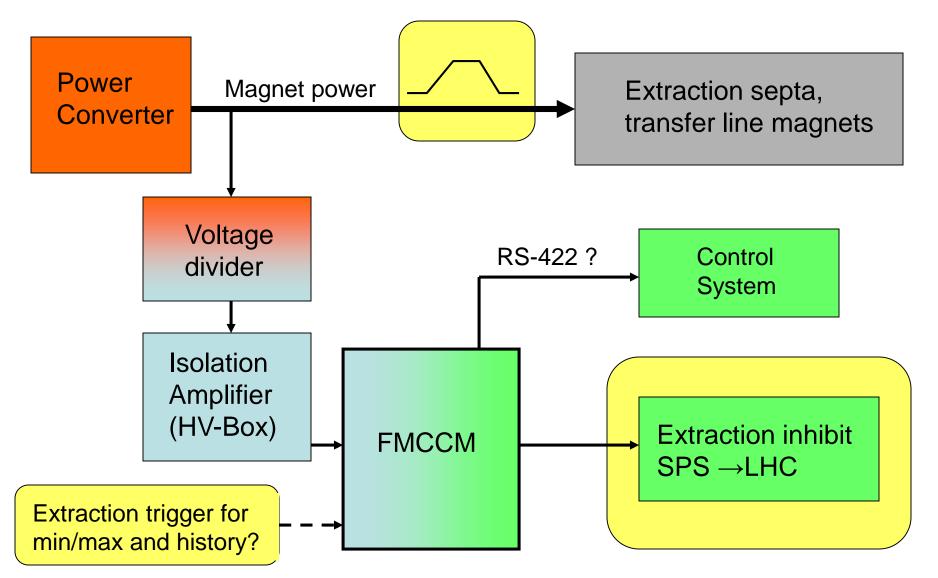
Tests done

- Test of reaction times
- Tests of power converter ripple
- Test if the simulated field changes are similar to the real magnetic field changes for different time domains
- Test of eddy current effect
- Test of minimum possible threshold
- Comparison between different principles: DCCT, Hall Probe, Current simulation
- Short test of noise sensitivity
- Impact of magnet heating effects for pulsed magnets
- Extrapolation of the results from the test benches for the real machine (less power converter ripple)

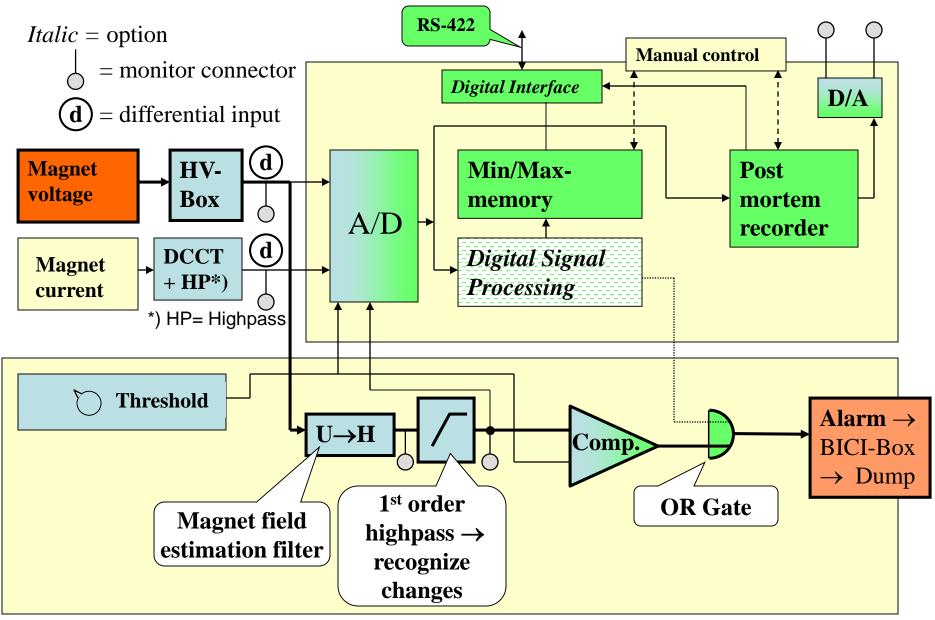
FMCCM for LHC magnets



FMCCM for extraction line



FMCCM: signal flow (simplified)



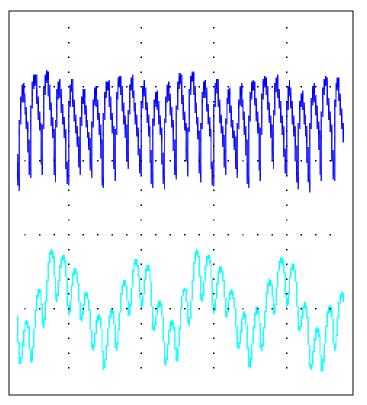
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Ripple of Power Converter

MSE Test Setup

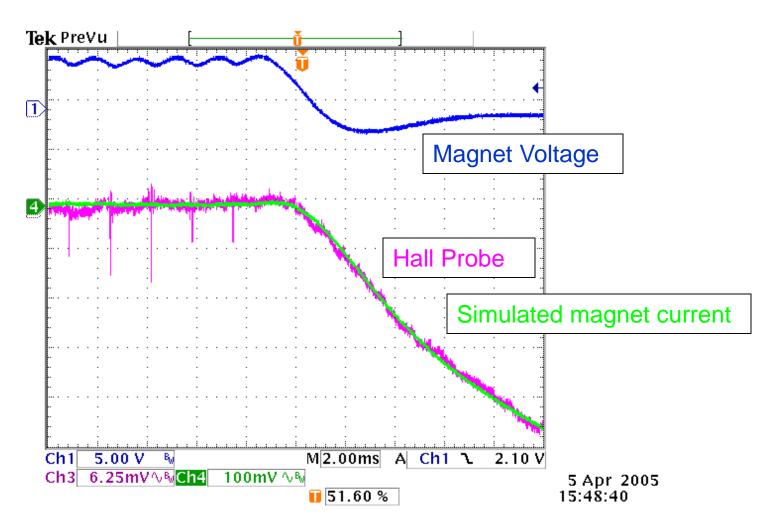


Voltage Ripple: 25% p-p, mainly on 600Hz

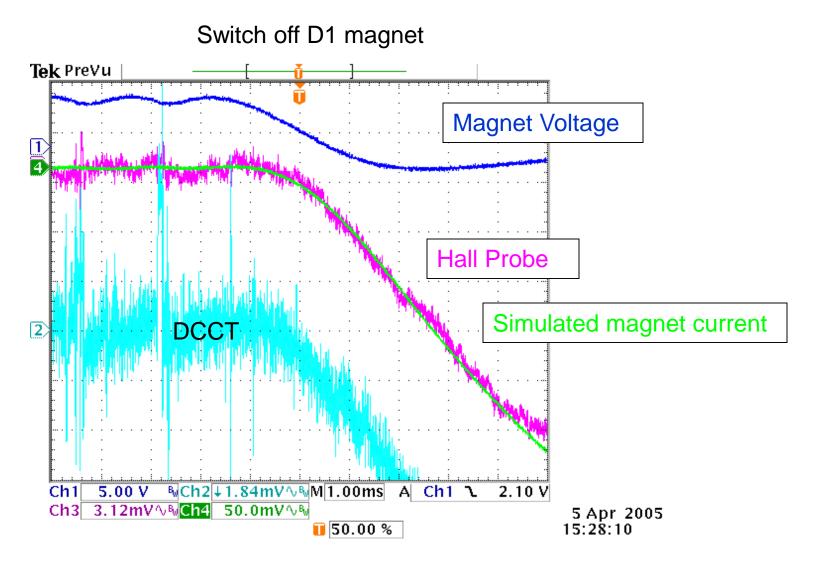
Current Ripple: 0.5% p-p, equally distributed to **50Hz** and 600Hz

Simulated current tracks magnetic field

Switch off D1 magnet

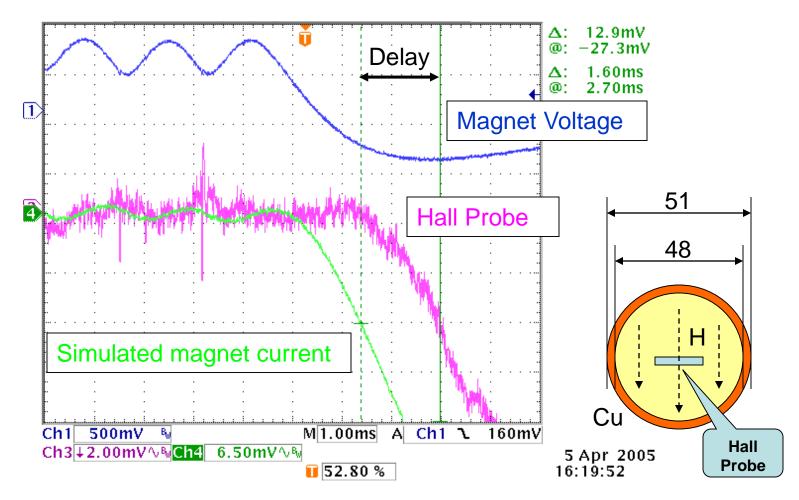


Noise comparison



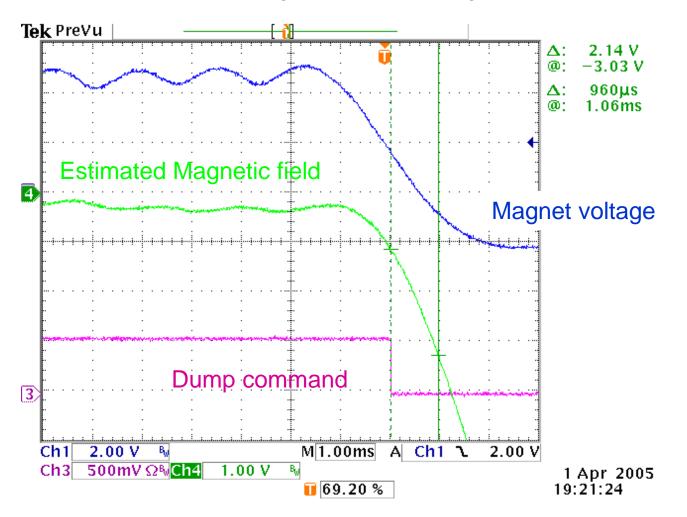
Delay by eddy currents

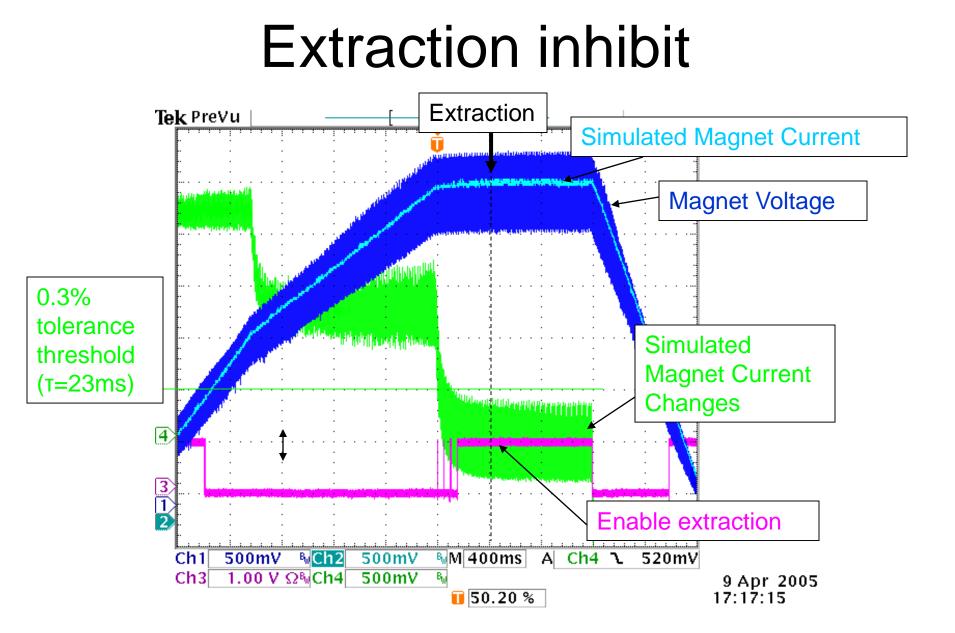
D1 magnet switched off, Hall Probe in copper tube



Reaction time: D1 power off

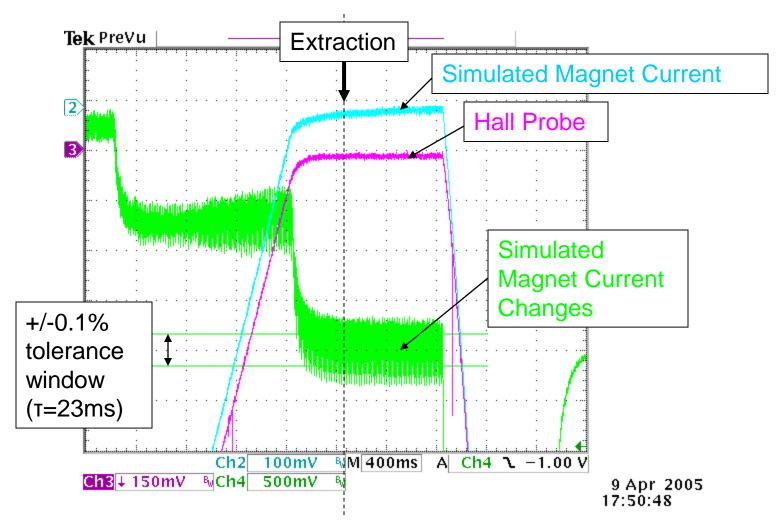
Time at D1: Recognition until damage





Temperature effect

Sim. Mag. Current drifts upwards due to 12..15C(?) Temp. change during flat top



Different demands for D1 and MSE

D1:

Transients:

... can create "false beam dumps" – very annoying

MSE:

... will only inhibit extraction for one cycle – no problem

History buffer:

... triggered only after fast current change – normally not the case

... triggered at every extraction

Sensitivity:

... limited by power converter ripple and "false beam dump" probability ... limited by power converter ripple and temperature rise during pulse

Control system interface

Main commands:

- Read history buffer (different for continuous and pulsed magnets)
- Read min/max values (different for continuous and pulsed magnets)
- Read threshold
- Activate dump/inhibit output

Proposed RS-422 Interface:

- Command: 1 character + 3 parameters + checksum
- Data: 2 byte header + integer values + checksum

What next ?

To do soon

- Decision: Use FMCCM for LHC magnets and / or injection?
- If yes: Use same hardware as DESY?
- If yes:
 - Decision who will produce it
 - Decision who will test it
 - Decision about control system interface (RS-422? Protocol?)
 - Decision if EMC test necessary
 - Decision who will design and produce the control system interface hardware (daughterboard or external connector? Modify rear panel to include interface connector?)
 - Decision who will design the interface inside the FPGA
 - Decision who should define the console screen layout and functions
 - Decision who will do the commissioning
 - Definition of the responsibilities, interfaces
 - Define Milestones

To do after decisions

- Implement RS-422 protocol:
 - Byte Serializer / De-serializer with start/stop/parity bit generator/checker
 - Checksum generator and checksum checker
 - State machine for command receiver and answer message generator
- Modify history buffer:
 - Different trigger points, different resolution, different recording length (cont.: 8000, pulsed: 4000) and different data creation (cont.: sample, pulsed: min + max) for continuous and pulsed magnets.
 - Min/Max-Generation for history buffer of pulsed magnets.
 - Add control system access to data
- Recognition if continuous or pulsed magnet
- Recognition of serial number if desired
- ADC offset compensation
- Meetings / Mails with software people
- Test software to check remote control
- Design RS-422 daughterboard, check layout, check prototype
- Documentation for hardware and FPGA functionality

Open questions

- Ripple specification for MSE magnet: 4E-4: peak or peak-peak?
- Ripple specification for D1 magnet
- Water cooling for pulsed magnets: timing behavior?
- Avoid undershoot of magnet voltage at switch off?
- Equalize thyristor firing to decrease 50 and 100 Hz ripple?
- Give extraction trigger to FMCCMs for pulsed magnets for remote minimum / maximum check?

Alarm delay of power converters

 At least for the few power converters connected to the FMCCM, in the case a power converter shuts down because of an internal recognized failure, the power converter itself should issue a dump / inhibit command before the FMCCM can recognize the magnet current decrease. This increases the safety and will result in more detailed dump origin and less complex dump sequence analysis.

Remember:

- The minimum / maximum recognition must be different for continuous and pulsed magnets
- The impedance of the dump/inhibit loop must be low enough to avoid unnecessary additional delay – value has to be specified
- If a trigger for the history buffer for MSE is desired, the interface must be defined.