### Meeting on beam losses and quench levels

The work presented in this meeting has been motivated by the Workshop in March Workshop on Beam-generated heat deposition and quench levels in LHC magnets Held at CERN, 3-4 March 2005

**Accelerator Magnet Technology** 

Workshop organised in the frame of the CARE-HHH-AMT network

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Some Objectives for the Workshop on beam generated heat deposition and quench levels for LHC magnets – relevant for this meeting

This workshop will address **quench margins, for nominal** and ultimate **parameters**, taking into account

- as-built parameters for different type of magnets
- different operating temperatures
- spatial and temporal distribution of beam losses
- other beam related heat loads
- operating point of the magnet (e.g. LHC energy)

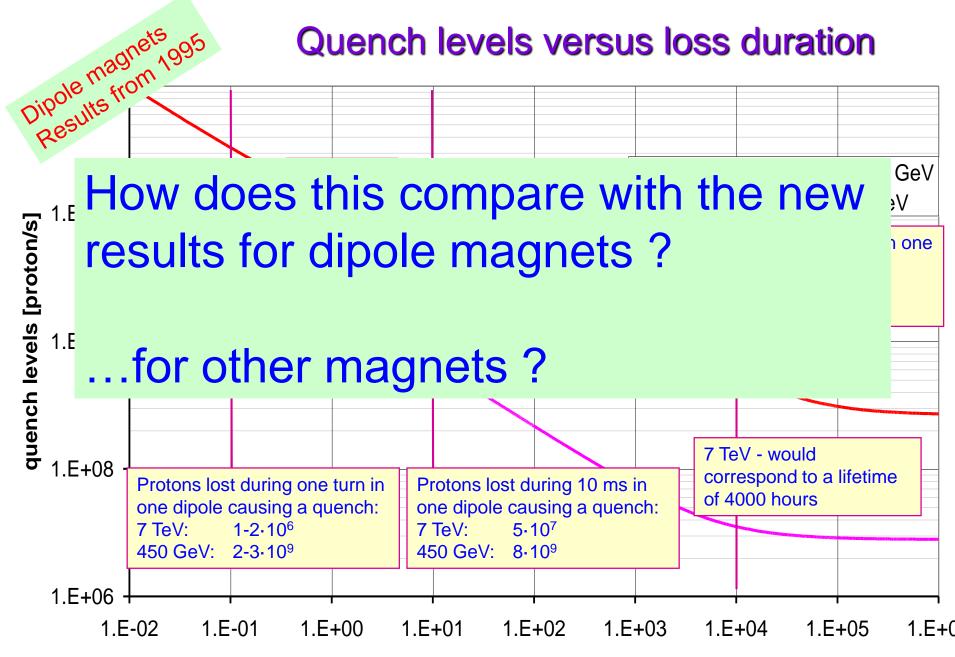
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Question	Continuous	Transient	Energy
Can we operate the LHC at nominal luminosity with the anticipated cleaning efficiency and beam lifetime ?	yes	yes	450-7000
Can we operate with ions at nominal luminosity?	yes	no	7000
How to set BLM thresholds?	yes	yes	450-7000
Pilot beam at injection: what intensity is below the quench level?	no	yes	450
How many particles are tolerable in the beam abort gap without quenching during a beam dump?	no	yes	450-7000
How clean must we inject without quenching?	no	yes	450
Can we operate the triplets at nominal luminosity?	yes	no	7000

#### Quench levels versus loss duration



duration of loss [ms]

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Beam losses: continuous or transient ?

#### **HERA** experience

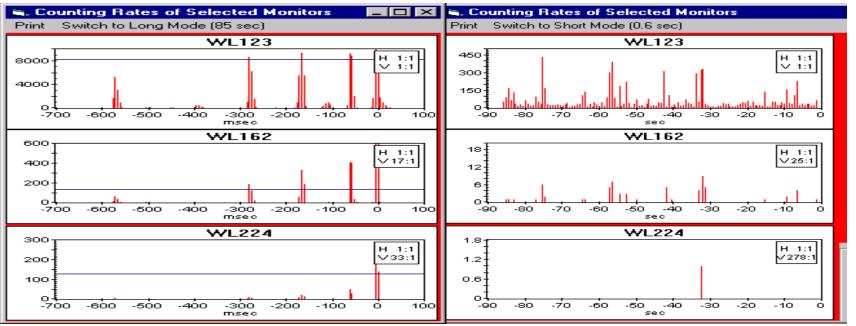
- A constant loss rate cannot be expected much too naive
- All kind of frequencies: 50, 150, 300, 450, 600 Hz, also higher frequencies plus random spikes. Sources: Hamburg train, ground movements, Northern sea, cryostat vibrations, vacuum pumps, .....
- M.Seidel und K.H.Mess: Collimators as diagnostic tools in the proton machine HERA, NIM A351 (1994) 279-285
- O.Brüning, M.Seidel, F.Willeke und K.H.Mess: Measuring the effect of an external tune modulation on the particle diffusion in the proton storage ring HERA), DESY HERA 94-01

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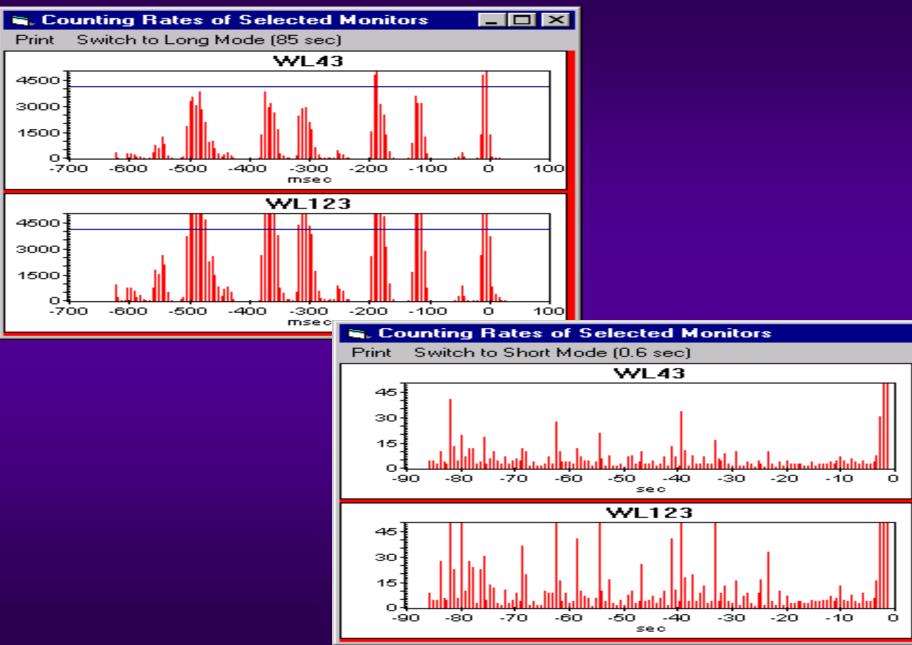


#### **Frequency of Oscillations: 5 - 15 Hz**

**Experience of HERA-B scraping Coasting (unbunched) Proton Halo with the Wire Target: Violent rate fluctuations until the wire reaches the bunched part of the halo...** 

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#### HERA: BLM versus time



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## LHC Injection

Transient (~ $8\mu$ s) beam losses possible at

Transfer line collimators TCDI Injection dump TDI

Auxiliary collimators TCLI

LHC aperture (arc)

Scraping of tails during normal injection Losses when a failure occurs Halo load (next talk)

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## LHC Beam dump

Transient (~3-86 μs) beam loss mechanisms Spurious abort gap population for normal dump Swept bunches for asynchronous beam dump Extraction septum protection diluter TCDS Q4 protection diluter system TCDQ LHC arc / aperture

Not covered: TCDQ system halo load (part of TCDQ case study presented tomorrow)

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#### My expectation for the beam losses

- Beam losses with be neither only continuous nor only transient, but both continuous and transient
- Depending on the lifetime of the beams, there will be a "baseline" of continuous losses – the lower the lifetime, the higher this baseline
- Taking into account this baseline, transient beam losses must be considered
- To have stable operation, the baseline must be substantially below the quench level, to have some margin for transient losses
- Transient losses for the LHC might be very important for the LHC
  - the collimator jaws are so close to the beams
  - beam-beam effects when bringing beams together
  - many other reasons ....

### Conclusion: Both, continuous losses and transient losses, need to be considered