RF Beam Interlocks

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Outline

- Outline of RF system interlocks
- What can/should dump the beam
- Proposed changes for technical stop
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RF system topology

- 8 cavities per beam, grouped by cryomodule of 4
- 1 HV power converter per group of 4



3 types of interlock in RF system:

- 1. RF interlocks: switch off RF drive to 1 klystron (1 cavity)
 - since 17 June these also generate a Beam Interlock
- 2. HV interlocks: switch off HV power converter (4 cavities)
 - will cause the total voltage (SIS) interlock to dump the beam
- 3. Beam interlocks: HW connection to BIC
- Also software interlocks via SIS

RF and HV Interlock chains



RF power distribution & critical interlocks



Cavity sum (total voltage) interlock

- Cavity Sum acquisition in Beam Phase Measurement module of Beam Control system in SR4
- Currently SIS software interlock on this acquisition (only at 3.5 TeV)
- Hardware interlock foreseen:
 - FGC function for energy-dependent interlock threshold (new firmware to install during TS)
 - HW connection to BIC is prepared and tested

Proposed modification for tech. stop

- Reprogram Module 0 (sum of RF interlocks):
 - all Module 1 interlocks to BIC + RF Veto
 - Module 2 & 3 interlocks to RF Veto only
 - © reduce the probability of false positives
 - MC Vacuum generates Beam Interlock
 - Wattcher LO, Cryo OK, Cavity Vacuum no longer generate beam interlock
- → Still under study, no decision taken yet for Technical Stop
- → Longer term: reorganize interlock inputs to group RF and Beam interlocks by module



Conclusions

- The current situation (all RF interlocks generate a beam dump) is conservative but safe
- So far we have not seen any dumps due to spurious RF trips
- New firmware has been prepared for the interlock modification
- We will decide before the technical stop whether to install it
- In the longer term, reorganization of interlock system under study (for end of year or long shutdown)

RF interlocks



HV interlocks



Interlocks connected to BIS (UX45)

