



# **CLIQ - experience from prototype production & fabrication status**

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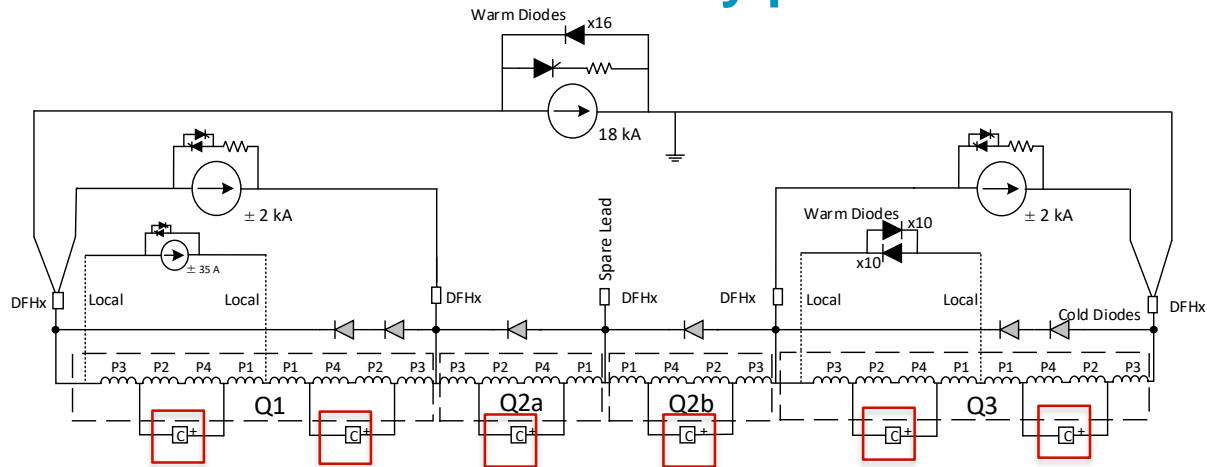
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# Introduction

- Coupling-Loss Induced Quench (CLIQ) is a quench protection method based on a discharge resulting in high inter-filament and inter-strand coupling losses
- **CLIQ is in the baseline of the HL-LHC project for the protection of the new Inner Triplet magnets that will be installed during LS3**

# CLIQ. Numbers and key parameters

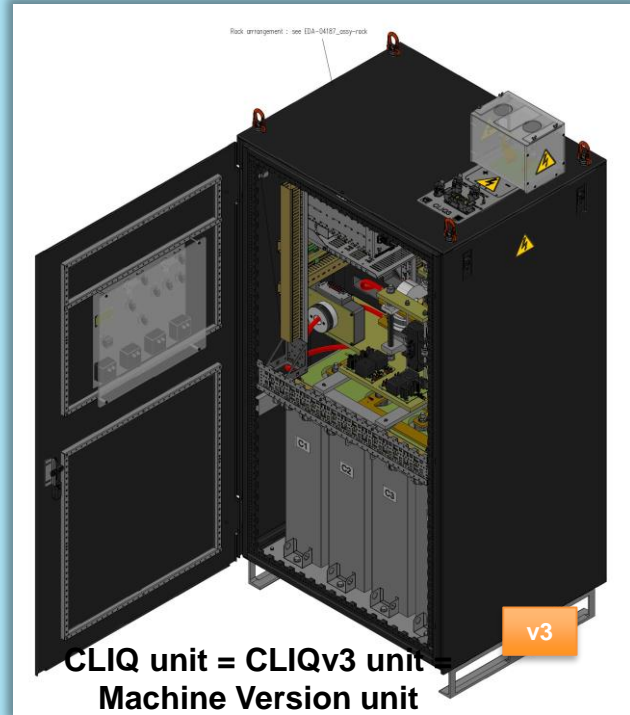


- **Q1 and Q3:** 2 CLIQ units each, with  $V=600$  V, 40 mF
- **Q2a and Q2b:** 1 CLIQ unit each, with  $V=1000$  V, 40 mF
- $I$  peak  $\sim 2$ - 3 kA
- Triggering time = 1 ms
- Resistance CLIQ circuit < 50 m $\Omega$

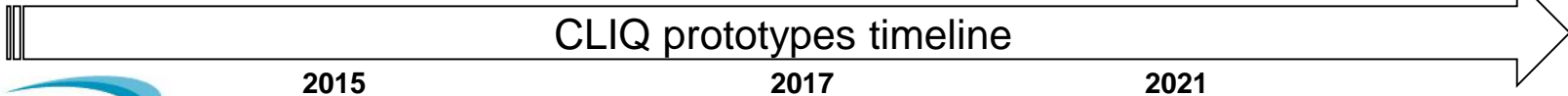
**The Inner Triplet circuit needs 6 CLIQ units for QP (+ 48 DQHDS) per IP side**

**24 CLIQ in the machine  
6+2 CLIQ for the String**

# Prototypes timeline



CLIQ unit = CLIQv3 unit  
Machine Version unit



2015

2017

2021

# CLIQ v3 - Machine version

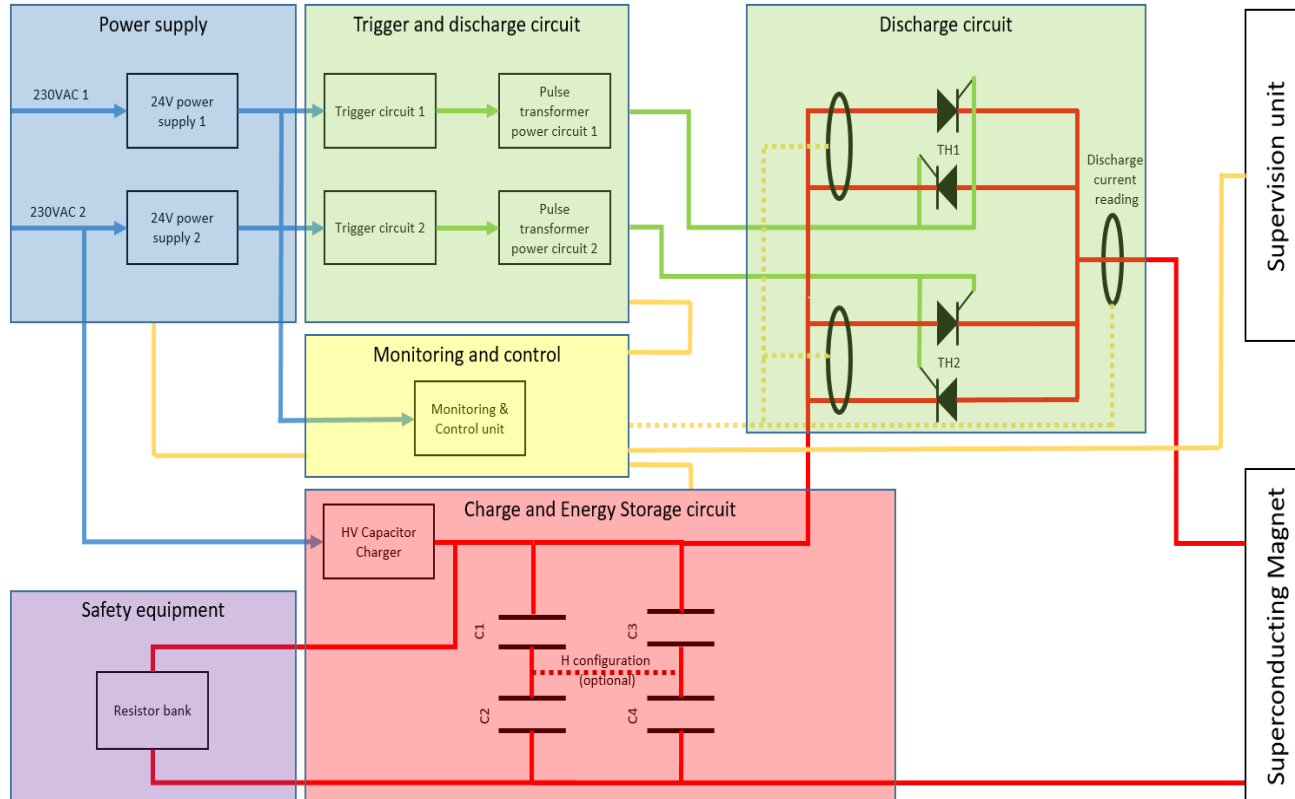
CLIQ v3  
Redundant  
trigger

Redundant  
230  
VAC power  
supply

Capacitor  
bank in  
square  
configuration  
(4x40 mF,  
1000 V DC)

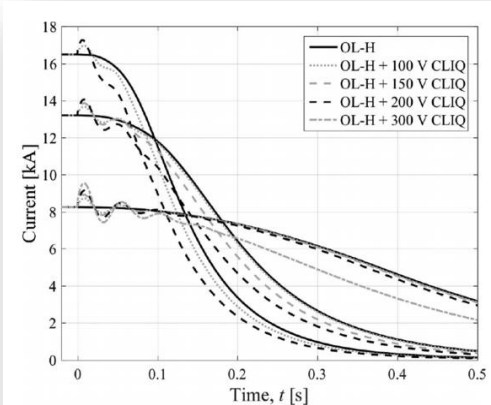
Monitoring  
and control  
unit

C=40 mF



Layout of the CLIQ machine version

# Accomplished milestones



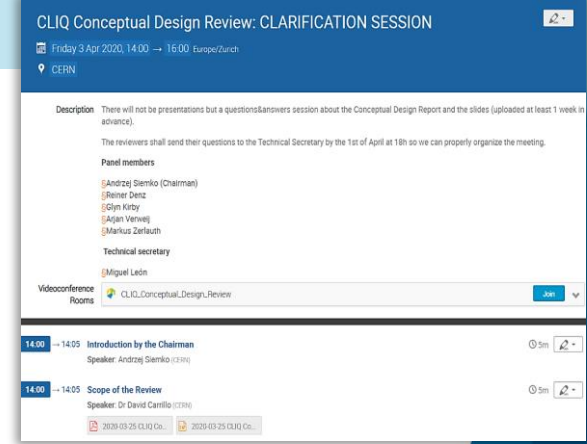
Comparison between MQXFS1b magnet discharges obtained by triggering outer-layer heaters only, or outer-layer heaters and one CLIQ unit charged to different voltage levels. Measured magnet current  $I_m$  vs time

E. Ravaioli, et al. "Quench Protection Performance Measurements in the First MQXF Magnet Models," in *IEEE Transactions on Applied Superconductivity*, vol. 28, no. 3, pp. 1-6, April 2018, Art no. 4701606

Extensive R&D program at the SM18 test facilities at CERN and at Fermilab with CLIQv1 and CLIQv2

- Two CLIQ versions fully validated (11 units manufactured)
- Industrialization of CLIQv2 units

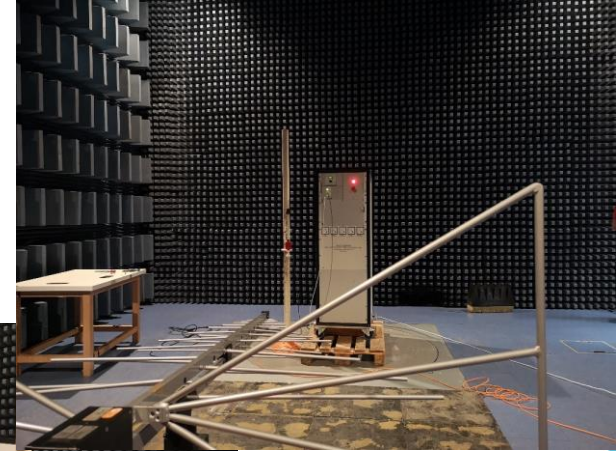
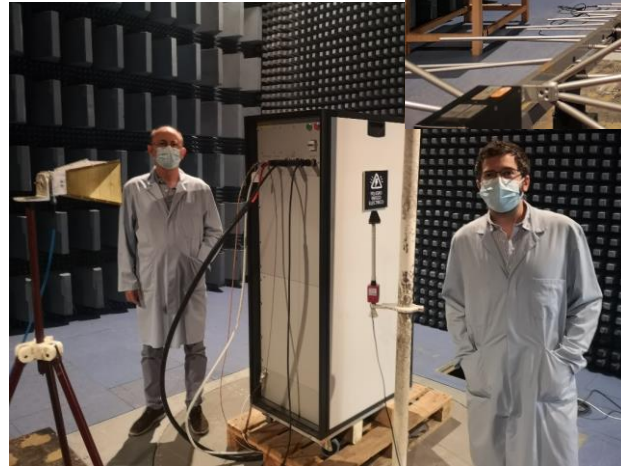
- Conceptual Design Review – Apr 2020
- Production Readiness Review – Dec 2021





# Accomplished milestones

- **Reliability run with CLIQv2 units**  
(>8000 cycles of charge/discharge in nominal conditions)



- **CE marking studies of CLIQv2**
  - Core system of CLIQv1, v2 and v3 is the same, so previous prototypes, already in SM18 and Fermilab are considered reliable and safe
  - CE marking will be eventually repeated on the CLIQv3 units



# Accomplished milestones.

## Qualification and production of of CLIQ capacitors

- Capacitors for the String already delivered (Q1 2022)



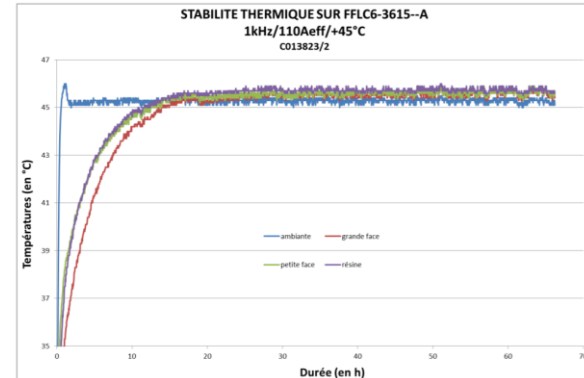
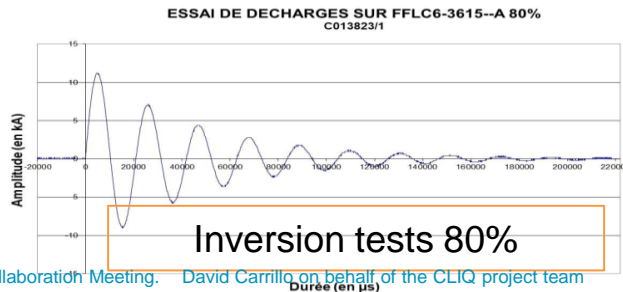
Endurance tests



Self-healing tests



Thermal stability test



# Accomplished milestones.

## Spurious triggering detection

- New budget time requirements for the interlock in case of a CLIQ spurious triggering \* called for a campaign on the CLIQ current sensors immunity tests
  - \*see presentation by C. Hernalsteens & D. Wollmann about the criticality of fast failures (Wed 16h30)
- Fast transients (up to 5 kV) applied by capacitive coupling to the monitoring and power cables
- Present baseline sensors (main current transformer from Schneider and branch current transformers from N.Talema) found sufficient to detect a spurious trigger with the new requirements
- Nevertheless, two Rogowski coils have been added (negligible delay and cost impact) in order to have a complementary method detection, and also faster in case of future change of requirements



Burst/Fast transient tests

## Accomplished milestones

- Qualification of CLIQv3 prototype finished in 2022
- Worldwide shortage of electronics forced the re-design of most of the CLIQ boards during 2022





## Ongoing activities

- CLIQ pre-series unit being assembled
- Green light given for their pre-series production of the recently re-designed CLIQ boards
- Control & monitoring boards firmware development



# Next steps



# CONCLUSIONS

- CLIQ machine version prototype fully qualified
- Dependability studies validated by the reliability run (more than 8000 discharges)
- CE marking studies (including safety assessment) for CLIQv2, CLIQv3 immunity tests performed
- CLIQ Machine version (v3) pre-series being assembled
- CE marking and CLIQ String production expected in Q2 2023 (as long as all components are delivered according to present information from suppliers)



***Thank you very much for your attention***