



New BCT5 Connection to the SPS-SMP and Implications for the YETS 2023-24

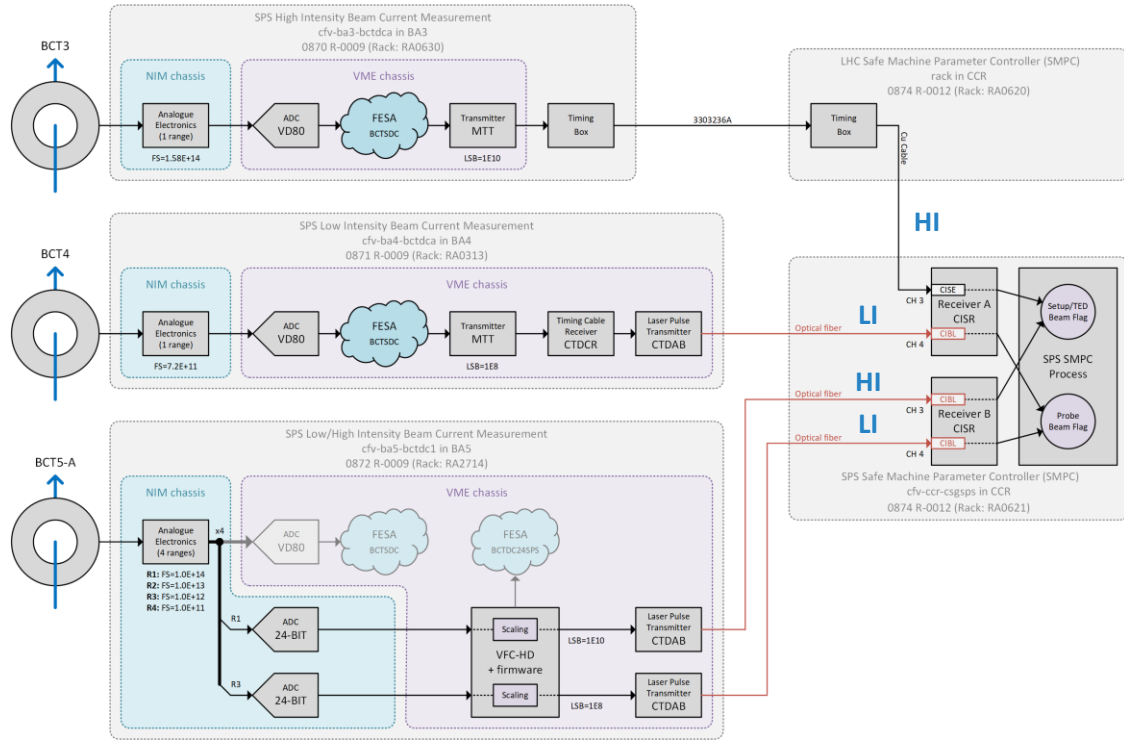
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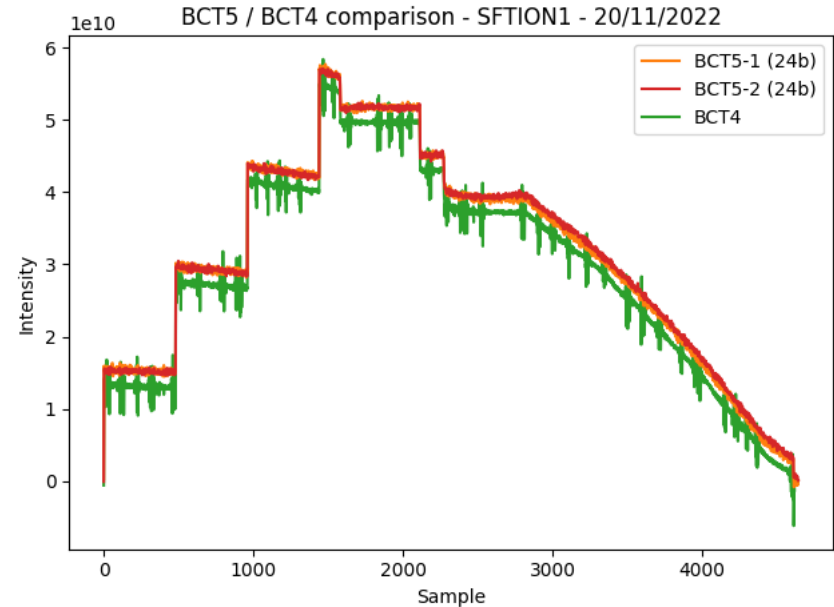
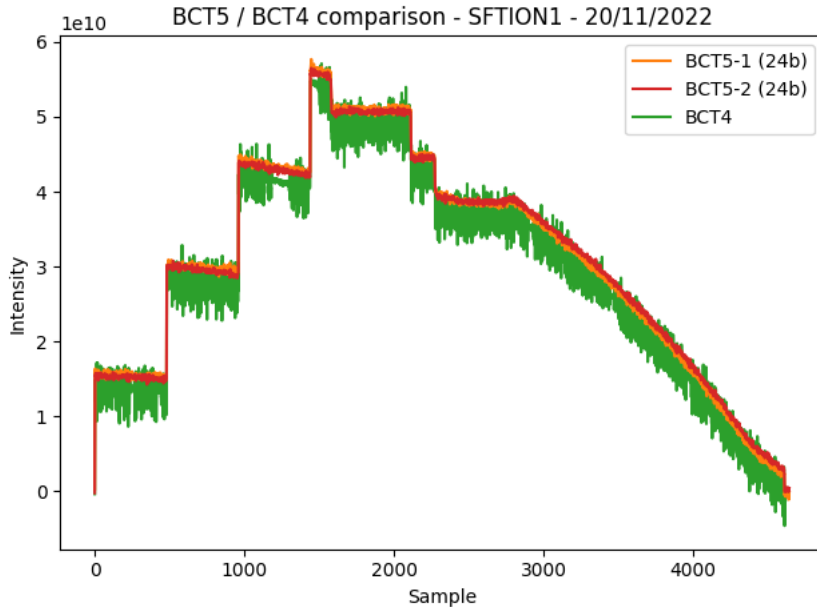
BCT Sources connections to SPS-SMP - I



- Since 2023 (see [231st MPP](#)) the SPS SMP is connected to 4 intensity sources:
 - BCT3 (High Intensity) → SMP-A
 - BCT4 (Low Intensity) → SMP-A
 - BCT5-A (High Intensity) → SMP-B
 - BCT5-A (Low Intensity) → SMP-B
- Reminder:** before 2023 no redundancy of Low Intensity measurements – only BCT4 as source!
- BCT3/BCT4 are commercial devices (black boxes) dating from the '90s. Electronics is reaching end of life.
- BCT5-A/B are a redundant identical pair of BCTs, built at CERN, and installed in 2012. Same technology as all other accelerators.

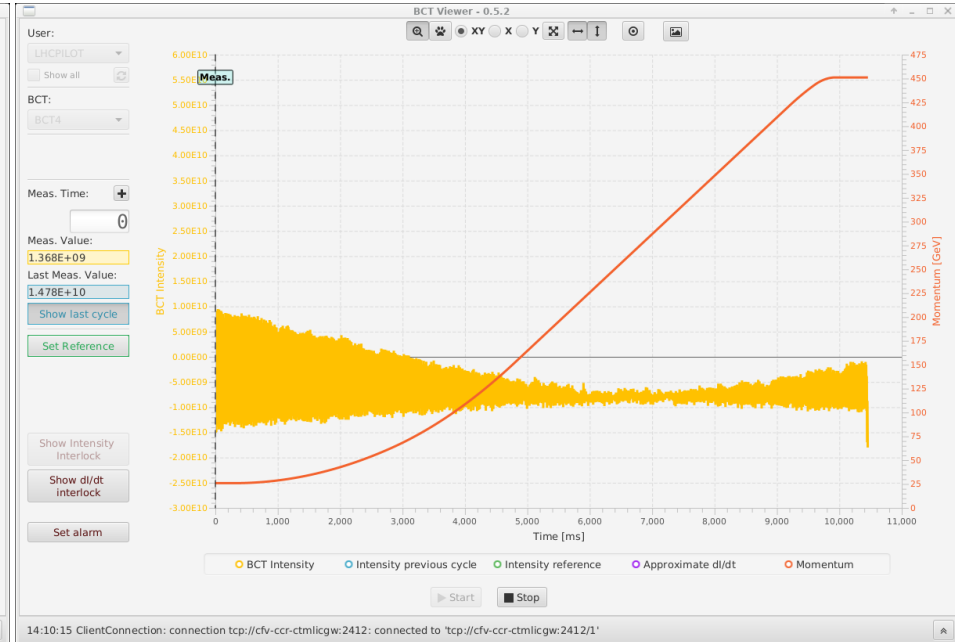
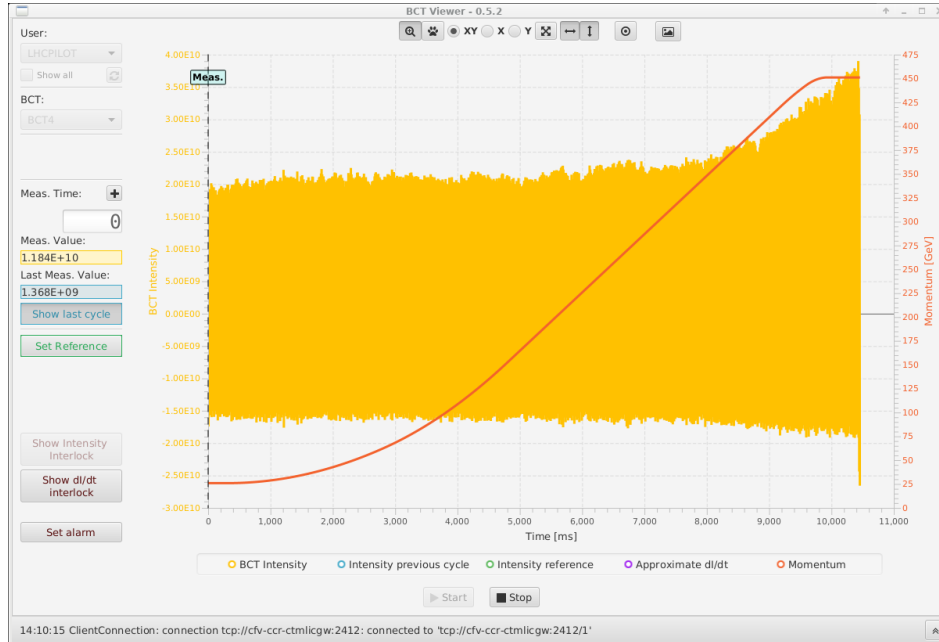
“Recent” issues with BCT4 – I

- Noise reported by OP on BCT4 (both OASIS & FESA) on (Sunday) 20/11/2022 ([BIIQ-458](#))
- Disappeared by itself before we could investigate...



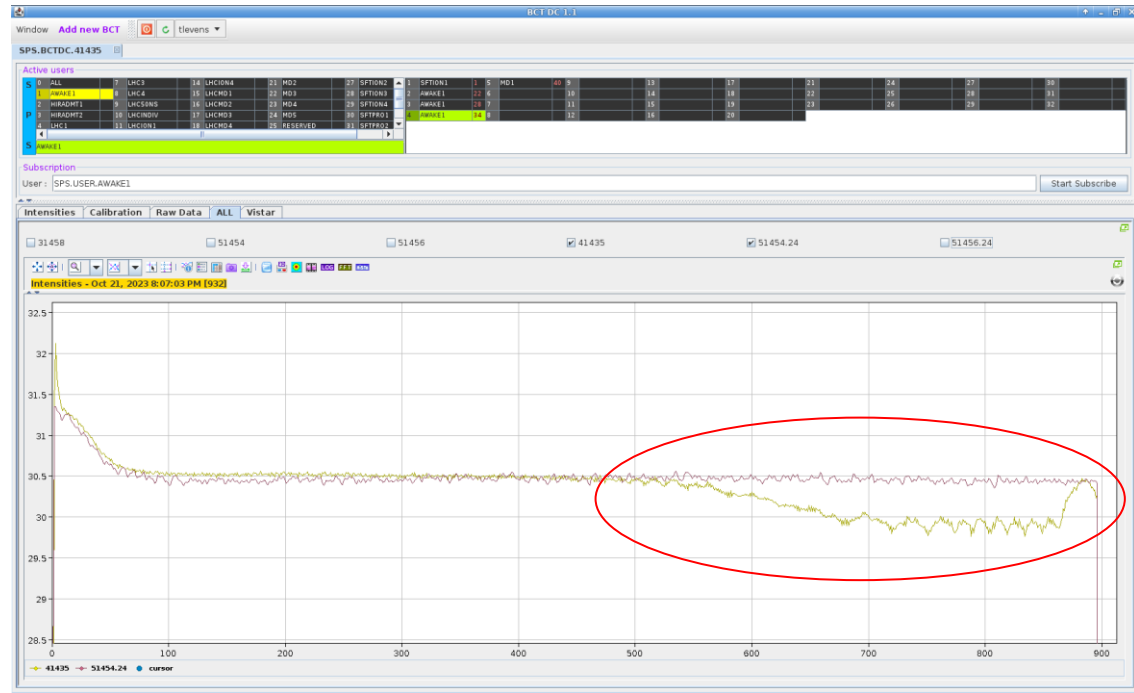
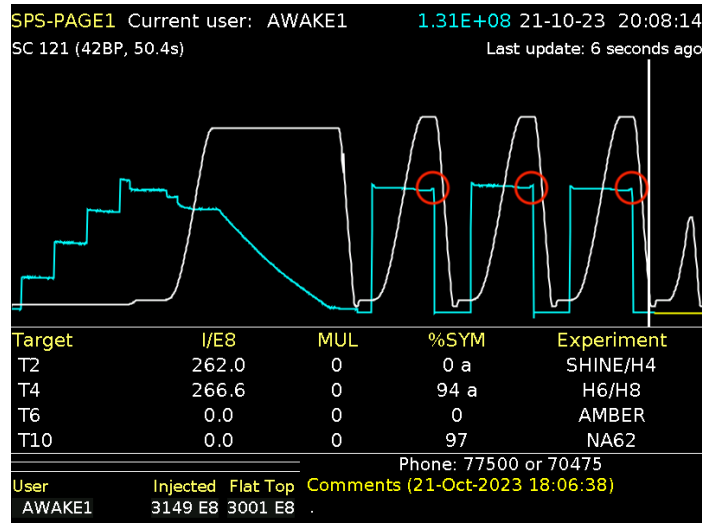
Recent issues with BCT4 – II

- Again, noise reported by OP on BCT4 on **02/09/2023** ([BIIQ-663](#))
- Level above PBF and blocking extraction to LHC via SMP – **OP disable BCT4 and operate only with BCT5**
- Back-end electronics exchanged by the spare. OK after **but we have no more spares!**

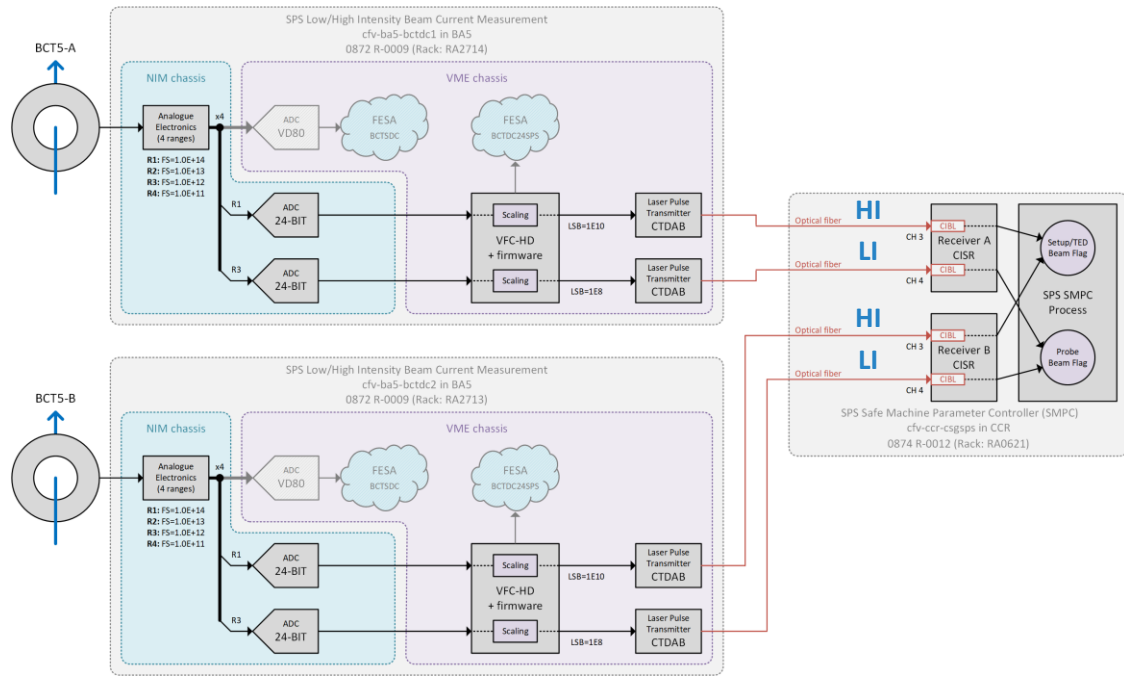


Recent issues with BCT4 – III

- Strange behaviour at flat top with AWAKE cycle reported on 21/10/2023 with 3e11 ppb ([BIIQ-679](#))
- So far not explained...

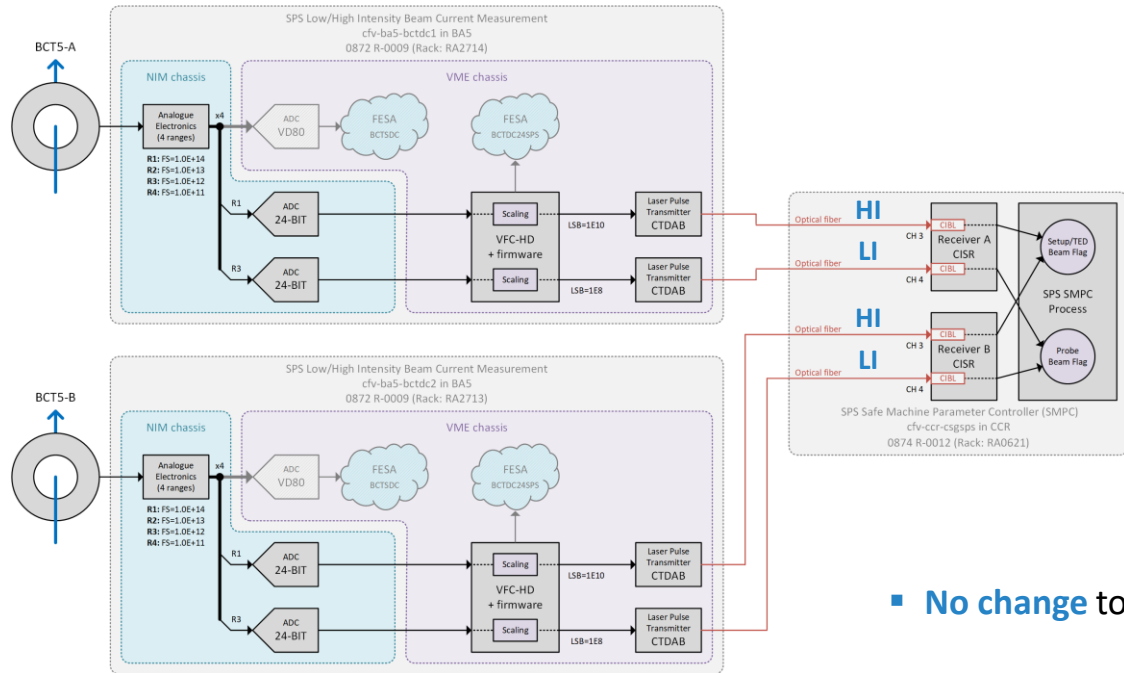


BCT Sources connections to SPS-SMP - II



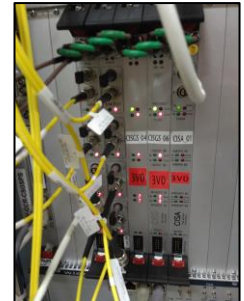
- Proposal for 2024:
 - **BCT3** and **BCT4** connections removed
 - Replaced by **BCT5-B** for both low & high intensity
- Use 2x spare **fiber optics** connections from BA5 to CCR
- Keep **High-Intensity/Low-Intensity** logic unchanged
- **BCT** connection to **SMP** is now entirely implemented in **firmware** → no more software processing

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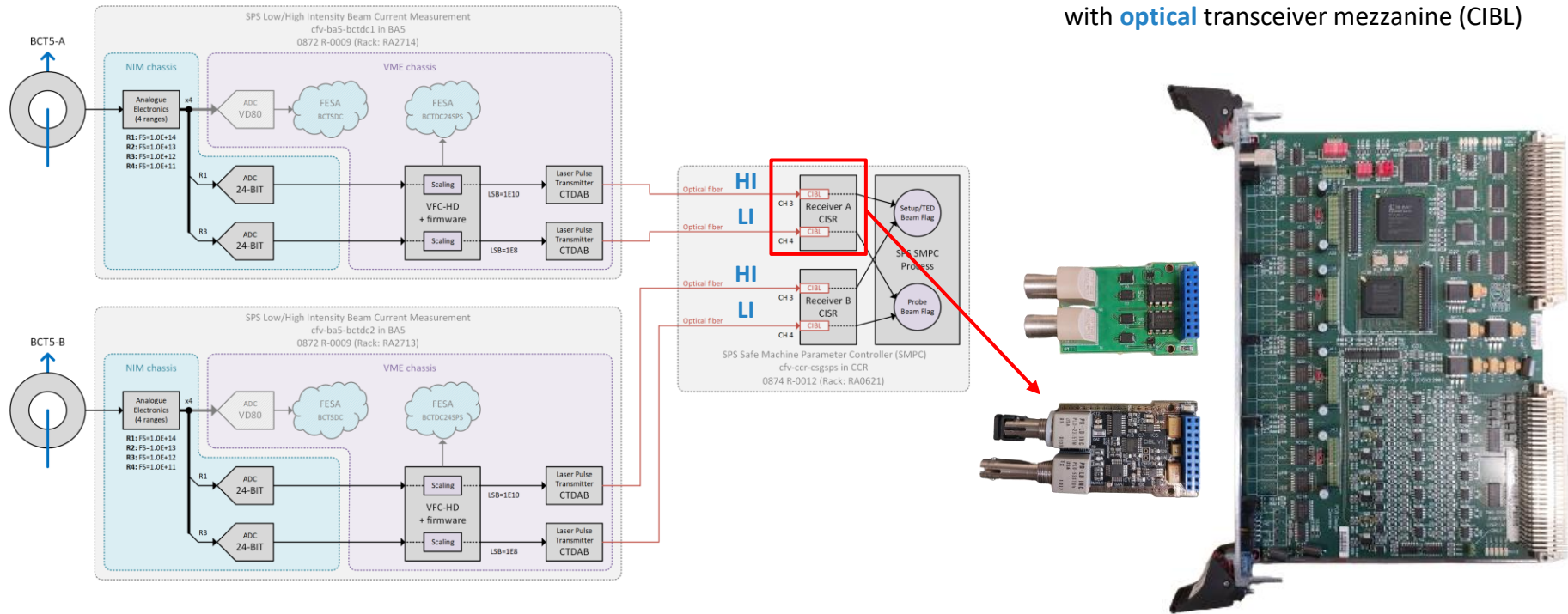


- **No change** to Data transmission format
- **No change** to frame headers identifying the source
 - **BCT5-A HI: 0x4B** (as BCT3)
 - **BCT5-A LI: 0x0C** (as BCT4)
 - **BCT5-B HI: 0x4D**
 - **BCT5-B LI: 0x0D**

- **No change** to SMP main firmwares

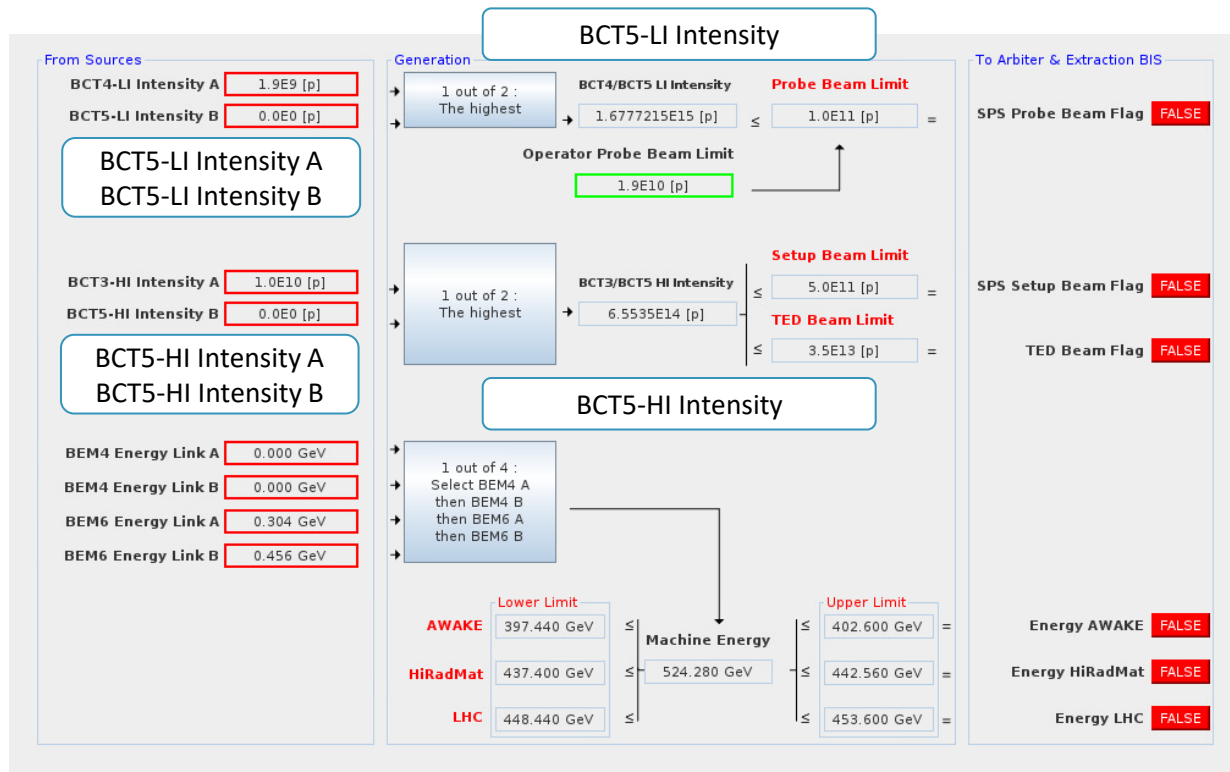


BCT Sources connections to SPS SMP - IV



- Replace RS485 **differential** mezzanine (CISE) with **optical** transceiver mezzanine (CIBL)

Changes to the SMP GUI – Flag Generation



Changes to diagnostics – History Buffer

● Front-end ○ Logging DB

Timestamp	Visibility	Type Event	Description	Details
03-11-23 14:20:54.690001	ALL	MARKER	2US	
03-11-23 14:20:54.290968	EXPERT	I10_MULTIPLEXOR	B_OK_F_T	
03-11-23 14:20:54.290968	EXPERT	I8_MULTIPLEXOR	B_OK_F_T	
03-11-23 14:20:54.290968	ALL	BCT4_B/BCTS-LI	TIMEOUT_T_F	
03-11-23 14:20:54.290968	ALL	BCT3_B/BCTS-HI	TIMEOUT_T_F	
03-11-23 14:20:54.290779	ALL	INTENSITY_8	NEW	1.6E9 [p]
03-11-23 14:20:54.290778	ALL	INTENSITY_10	NEW	0.0E0 [p]
03-11-23 14:20:54.290769	EXPERT	PROBE_BEAM_FLAG	OPER_LIMIT	1.9E10 [p]
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03-11-23 14:20:54.290769	EXPERT	PROBE_BEAM_FLAG	I8	1.6777215E15 [p]
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03-11-23 14:20:54.290769	ALL	BCT4_A	TIMEOUT_T_F	
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Filters

Monitor Status
 Control Status
 Expert registers
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 Description:
 Details:

