



BLM55:Detector response test of various BLM detectors types.

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Beam Loss Monitoring System

The beam loss monitoring system must protect the machine components from damage, prevent the superconducting magnets from quenching, be sensitive to different level of losses in different accelerator locations, should limit the losses to a level which ensures hands-on-maintenance or intervention. From another side, the BLM system should be sensitive enough to enable machine fine tuning and machine studies with help of BLM signals. From 2005 more than 6000 various types of beam loss monitors have produced for most of high energy accelerators in world. Currently a new CERN production campaign is ongoing with the aim to deliver 1000 units in 2026.

• Ionization chambers (IC)- the main beam loss detector type; three different productions: IC-2004, IC-2016 (for ESS, CERN,GSI), IC-2024.



• Little ionization chambers (LIC) – were designed to reduce the sensitivity with respect to IC. LIC, installed in LHC have with SEM ceramic insulators. LIC prototypes with IC ceramics disks have been succesfully tested at HRM. Currently new LICs, which considering as a detector for HL-LHC, is under production at CERN.

All BLMs (except SEM) have been tested at HRM for validation and characterisation purposes since 2012.



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BLM2 & 19 & 55 at HiRadMat





Study of the response of ionization chambers in HiRadMat

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2012

UHC-IC LIC 1.1 bar LIC 4.1 bar FIC













plot of the integrated charge (over 40 us), **Sep 2015** at HRM black = IC, green = FIC, red =LIC







Set-up and goals of 2024

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- Cross checks, comparisons IC-2004, IC-2016, IC-2024
- Calibration/saturation of IC-2016, IC-2024
- Signal time evolution (drift time) for IC2016
- New type of Little Ionization Chambers (LIC2024)





Ch1 & Ch2 – type IC2016 CH3 & CH4 – type IC2004 CH5 : first prototype IC2024 CH6: second prototype IC2024

Set-up for July beam test , 2024

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Scope ch.	Position	BLM	Name	^
2	G	New IC	HCBLM_I001-CR006005	A
3	E	New LIC	HCBLM_L001-CR001002	В
4	С	New IC	HCBLM_I001-CR006003	C
5	D	IC	IC7001	Ľ
6	Н	IC	IC7002	D
8	А	LIC	HCBLM_L001-CR001001	

Set-up for August beam test , 2024





2021 simulation (J.Hunt, L.Esposito) 2012 simulation (N. Charitonidis)

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- At 3.2 -3.3 m and height ~80 cm approximately uniform, homogeneous dose in beam direction
- At detector locations the dose approximately independent of the vertical position (within statistical error)

BLM experimental setup at HiRadMat



- Detectors connected from the area of HiRadMat side of dump to the HiRadMat Control Room in BA7.
- Due to low detector current
 - Detector signal cables connected through only one patch panel
 - Signal connection not grounded.
- DAQ:
 - Signal waveforms acquired with a scope (Tektronix, MSO58LP), ~3-6 waveforms per pulse/bunch











Charge vs intensity, July 2024



 $^{4.0}_{\times 10^{13}}$

 1.2×10^{-5} 2023 ch1, IC5611 (2016), top dump side • | ch2, IC5725 (2016), middle walk side • | 1.0 Q_{WFM} , charge in full wfm 1.2×10^{-1} ch3, IC1113 (2004), top walk side I I ch1, IC 5611 (IC-2016), position: row 1, dump side • . ch2, IC 5725 (IC-2016), position: row 2, walkway side 1.0 I • I ch3, IC 1113 (IC-2004), position: row 1, walkway side ch4, IC3221 (2004), middle dump side ٠ ch4, IC 3221 (IC-2004), position: row 2, dump side 0.8 0.8 ch5, IC7001 (2024), bottom dump side • 0.6 ° ch6, IC7002 (2024), bottom walk side • 0.4 <u>ට</u> 0.6 ඊ 0.20.02.0 3.0 [number of protons] 0.42022 0.2 Q_{WF} : charge in full wfm 0.0 IC 5725 (IC-2016), position: row 2, dump side IC 1113 (IC-2004), position: row 2, walkway side 0.51.0 2.0 2.53.0 3.50.01.54.0IC 5611 (IC-2016), position: row 3, walkway side-2.5 $\times 10^{13}$ [number of protons] IC 3221 (IC-2004), position: row 3, dump side Irena DK 2.0 Ū

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2.0

number of protons

2.5

3.0

3.5

4.0

 $\times 10^{13}$





30

Saturation



24 bunches





Compare 2024 & 2023 results:



- Ch3 (IC2004) shows about the same result (a bit higher this year)
- Ch1 (IC2016) and Ch4 (IC2004) are like last year close, and again a bit higher this year
 - A bit higher this year sounds reasonable, as we have now 1ms integration instead of 80us
- Just Ch2 (IC2016) seems to be substantially lower perhaps connected to that reflection at around 1.8us from the signal start, it's visible for all periods with number of bunches up to including 24 bunches, for more bunches it disappears as the proton trains/bunches become longer then 1.8us
- The 24 bunch data for the full drift time : drift ends around 100us on ch1(IC2016), >150us for ch3(IC2004), no end for ch2, ch4, ch6, ch5 (IC2016, IC2004, IC2024, IC2024).







- Results indicate similar detector performance for all ICs
- However, detector-to-detector performance variations potentially larger for IC-2016 than IC-2004, IC-2024 but should take into account the detector location (for 2025 proposal)
- IC preliminary results for integrated total charge is over 300 µs but should test by LHC daq , exclude the scope possible contribution (for 2025 proposal)
- New LICs need more time and more efforts to test/design/simulation/new prototype production



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LIC-ic 2022 results and summary for 2025 production

- Expected ration of charge between IC and LIC:
 - $Q_{IC}/Q_{LIC\text{-}ic} \simeq 20$ and
 - Q_{IC}/Q_{LIC-sem} ~ 12
- Measured ratio values:
 - At higher intensities as expected ~20/12
 - Larger discrepancies at lower intensities due to issue LIC sensitivity

Measured IC/LIC ration, calculated as comparison of LIC detector charge to the average of charge from 2 IC detectors placed directly below.

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Blue = LIC-sem Orange = LIC-ic







IC results 2022: signal



- Signal shape rather different than what is expected for a parallel plate geometry, assuming ⁺N₂ and e⁻ drift: –Less linear for ion drift part
 - -Increased contribution from ions

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Measured average signal for 1 (right) and 288 (left) bunches – ion drift zoomed in:

Measured and calculated (dashed lines) signal for 1 (top) and 288 (bottom) bunches assuming e^{-} and $+N_{2}$ drift times from literature:



