

Summary Session – Electrical circuit related Protection

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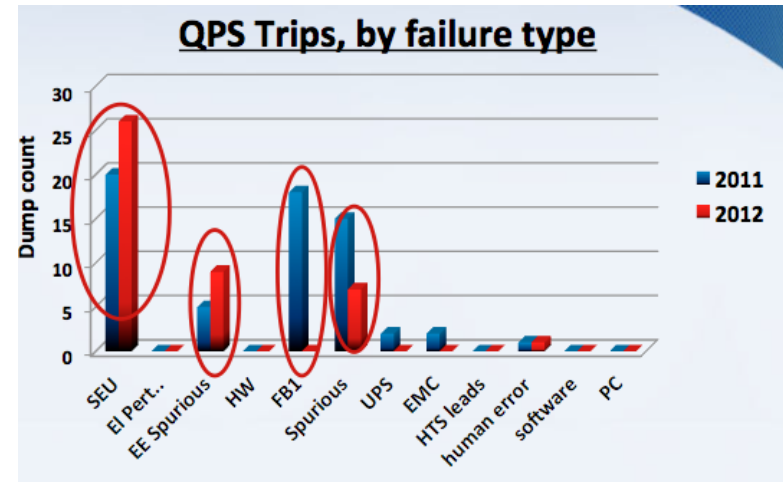


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Powering Issues

- Up to 50% of premature beam dumps from LHC magnet powering system(s)
 - Few but big systems
 - Merits continuous attention for reliability + potential of increased availability



- Revisit dependability studies including interfaces in light of experience + criticality (diverse redundancy)
- Powering tests to be organized and followed continuously (CSCM, EOY, TS,...)!
 - Potential problem: Very efficient test execution tools but analysis not up to same speed?

Changes in QPS

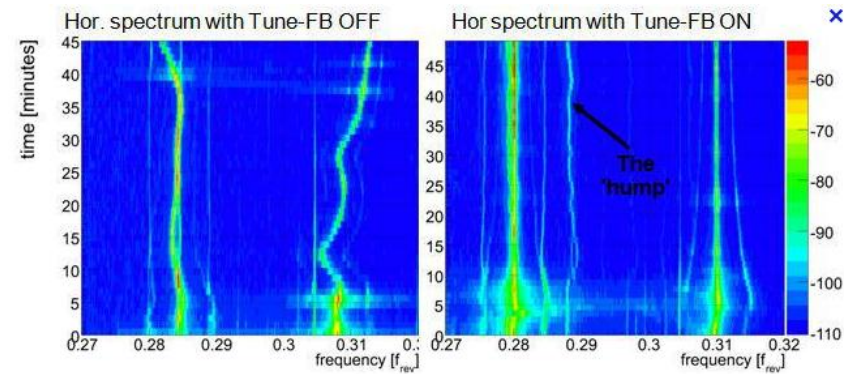
- Huge amount of extensions/changes foreseen in little time
 - (Big) improvement in availability expected after LS1
 - Threshold revision for 600A circuits and HTS leads
- Major upgrades can only be smoothly implemented during long shutdowns ?!
 - Some incidents due to known issues not put into machine due to resource constraints...
- Still (too) big dependency on human interaction/procedures
 - -> Tools, tools, tools,.....?! Yes, but see previous.....
 - Need to sit to define and prioritize

Changes in Powering Interlocks

- Studies of converter regulation vs FMCM must be given priority during LS1 (14 avoidable dumps in 2012!)
 - Limit of relaxing thresholds is reached (6.5TeV!)
- In general redundant protection assured, few incidents (MSS, triplets, SW interlocks,...) to be followed
- Disseminate information to allow consistent masking of interlocks throughout systems
 - Mechanisms to automatically unmask with beam (a la SBF)
- ALARMS definitions to be reviewed (need help/driving from OP!)
- Access vs Powering Interlocks -> Will be more restricting for re-commissioning campaign ?!

Electrical distribution – How to ensure dependable and redundant powering of systems

- Complete UPS replacement to restore true redundancy and increase availability
 - Will we finally find the hump?! (switching frequency 8kHz – > 4 and 7 kHz)



- Organize full-scale tests for redundant powering (> preparation with equipment teams, EN + CO)
- Quality of network will not (much) improve, need to continue identifying and improving weak elements (FMCM vs PC,...)