NuMI Beamline Upgrades to 700 kW and 1.2 MW

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Upgrading NuMI for Higher Power



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Producing a v beam at NuMI

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Future Experiments





Quantitative Study of Low-energy v - Nucleus Interactions



Detector Ready ~ Summer of 2009. Desire ~7×10²⁰ POT in LE mode



Off Axis v_e Appearance Experiment 14 mrad off-axis @ 810 km



5 kT of detector ready ~2011. 30 kT ready in ~2013 Desire ~7×10²⁰ POT/yr in ME mode

Major Components of NuMI Beamline & the usual issues (radiation, heating, etc.)



f Shorter Cycle for Primary Beamline

- From $1.9 \Rightarrow 1.33$ second rep-rate
- Extraction Lambertsons are OK, upgrade PS for kicker
- Present power supplies are adequate (tap adjustments needed)
- Adjust ramps to maintain viable RMS currents for magnet cooling
- Replace some magnets (QQM 3Q120 Quads)
 - 25-30 year old magnets
 - Coils do not have direct cooling.
 - Limited number of spares
- Build 6 new quadrupole
 - QQB design
 - Internal Coil Cooling
 - Fewer turns, higher field/amp
 - More robust



Increased Primary Beam Intensity

- Essential to keep integrated losses low for groundwater and component protection.
- There is plenty of aperture in the primary beamline
- Currently we run with losses an order of magnitude below the safety factor
- Beam Permit System precludes a 2nd bad pulse.
- Losses at ~ few $x10^{-5}$ fractional loss will pull the abort
- Magnet currents out of limits will pull the abort.
- Crossing a threshold? Single bad pulse can cause component damage.
- Monitor power supply currents to ~ 0.01% for Beam Permit System. (Presently we monitor to 0.5%)

NuMI Target Hall Layout for NOvA

Medium Energy Beam



Low Energy Target



Medium Energy Target



Target and Horn Alignment

- Most likely will run for ~1 year in LE for MINERvA.
- MINERvA indicates that we need to keep present tolerance of +/- 0.5 mm for survey and +/- 0.5 mm for thermal effects.
- Switch to ME configuration for NOvA (~several month shutdown)
- IHEP Medium Energy (ME) target design.
- Target 1.35 meters upstream, 1.2 meter long, 6.4 mm wide.
- IHEP calculation of temp and stresses on ME target (October 30.)
- No remote longitudinal motion of target.
- Horn 2 located 23 meters downstream of horn 1.
- NOvA has started looking at alignment issues.

http://beamdocs.fnal.gov/AD-public/DocDB/ShowDocument?docid=2392

f Target Design for yet higher power

Encapsulation of graphite cylinders (segments) with a prestress of about 10 MPa into stainless steel or aluminum thin-walled pipe:



- Provides an integrity of the target core and keeps it even in the case of thermo-mechanical or radiation damages of some segments
- Prevents a direct contact of the cooling water with the heated surface of graphite
- Provides a good thermal contact between graphite and metal pipe

Suitable for higher beam power (maybe even 2 MW)

but ~10% fewer neutrinos / POT

Baffle Modifications

Baffle protects beamline elements from single pulse mis-steered beam.

- OK for thermal shock up to 5.4 E13
- 75% more fins for cooling.
- Move further upstream to spread out shower more?
- Increase hole diameter for larger beam size?

Graphite encapsulated in aluminum 150 cm long , 11 mm diameter hole for beam. Air-cooled

Space to increase air-cooling fins

Target Hall Air Conditioning

- Target Hall Cooling
 - Closed loop air re-circulating system
 - Designed to maintain positional stability of target/horns
 - 25,000 cfm air flow
 - 240 kW of cooling
 - 18 mph wind in beam channel
- Upgrade Chiller for 700 kW
 - Add more chiller coils
 - Operate at higher chase temperature
- For 1 MW looking at water cooling

Cool air flows upstream on outside of pile, then downstream in the chase



Target Pile Temperature



NuMI Magnetic Horns



Horn 1 Modifications

Horn 1 Inner Conductor:





Beam heating in horn 1 outer conductor is an issue (is 12 kW M.E. beam base design)

Uneven water cooling can cause outer conductor to "potato-chip", causing misalignment of focusing

Reduce thickness of outer conductor from 1 inch to 5/8 inch and add more cooling to maintain uniformity to ~ 6 deg C

Heating of horn 1 inner conductor? (I²R + beam energy deposition)

Decay Pipe and Hadron Absorber



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- Decay pipe
 - is under vacuum
 - cooling can be increased with faster water flow.
- Decay Pipe Window
 - Thin aluminum window
 - OK for up to 10 consecutive accident pulses at the higher intensity
- Hadron Absorber
 - OK for 10 consecutive accident pulses at the higher intensity
 - Needs investigation of water cooling for DC operations

f Conclusions

- Working towards CDR by November for 700 kW NuMI upgrade.
- Still lots of engineering work left.
- Major concerns are
 - Target Chase Cooling
 - Horn Modifications
 - Tritium Production (See Saturdays talk)
- Started thinking (although only a little) about 1.2 MW upgrades.

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f The Usual Issues Related to More Power

- Thermal shock
 - Increased per pulse intensity
- Removing larger heat load
 - 1.2 MW beam in \Rightarrow 1.2 MW of heat out
- DC thermal stress limit and heat damage to material
- Radiation damage lifetime of materials
- Mis-alignment from thermal expansion
 - Alignment important for experiment systematic error
- Safety
 - Radiation safety
 - Groundwater Protection
 - Airborne Activation
 - Prompt Radiation
 - Residual Activation

Primary Beamline Optics

Plenty of aperture.



NuMI Extraction Kickers

- Kicker and Lambertsons are fine
 - Aperture is sufficient
 - Extraction is clean
 - No issues with radiation
- Available charging time drops
 - From 1.3 secs \Rightarrow 0.7 secs
 - Upgrade charging supply
 - Upgrade fluorinert to water heat exchanger



NuMI extraction kickers in MI Tunnel

f Horns

- Horn 1 Design
 - Beam heating in outer conductor is an issue (is 12 kW M.E. beam base design)
 - Have calculation of horn 1 inner conductor energy deposition from Byron
 - Can begin stress calculations of inner conductor.
 - Heating is still an issue (I²R + beam energy + radiation heating from ~300 F shielding blocks.)
 - Byron looking at energy deposition in horn 1 hangers
 - Need to re-design the carriage??
- Horn 2
 - Design OK for 700 kW.
- Horn Power Supply
 - Can charge fast enough at 1.3 second rep-rates and not exceed power dissipation limits in either the PEI, the capacitor bank, or the striplines.

f Horn Power Strip-line Heating



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Medium Energy Neutrino Beam

Medium Energy Beam is better for NOvA (14 mrad off-axis)



Fig. 2.7: CC ν_{μ} event rates expected under a no-oscillation hypothesis at a distance of 800 km from Fermilab and at various transverse locations for the NuMI low-energy beam configuration (left) and medium-energy beam configuration (right).

Target, Baffle, Target Carrier installed in target pile



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