
BLM threshold increase for TOTEM roman pots

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Changes requested

- Why:

- RP BLM thresholds from the beginning of Run 1
- Higher losses at the new RP design
 - reduced impedance, but higher material budget

- Where:

- Only the special TOTEM BLMs “_XRP”
 - 8 BLMs
 - No ALFA BLMs
 - No BLMs which are used for the protection of machine components (magnets, collimators etc.)

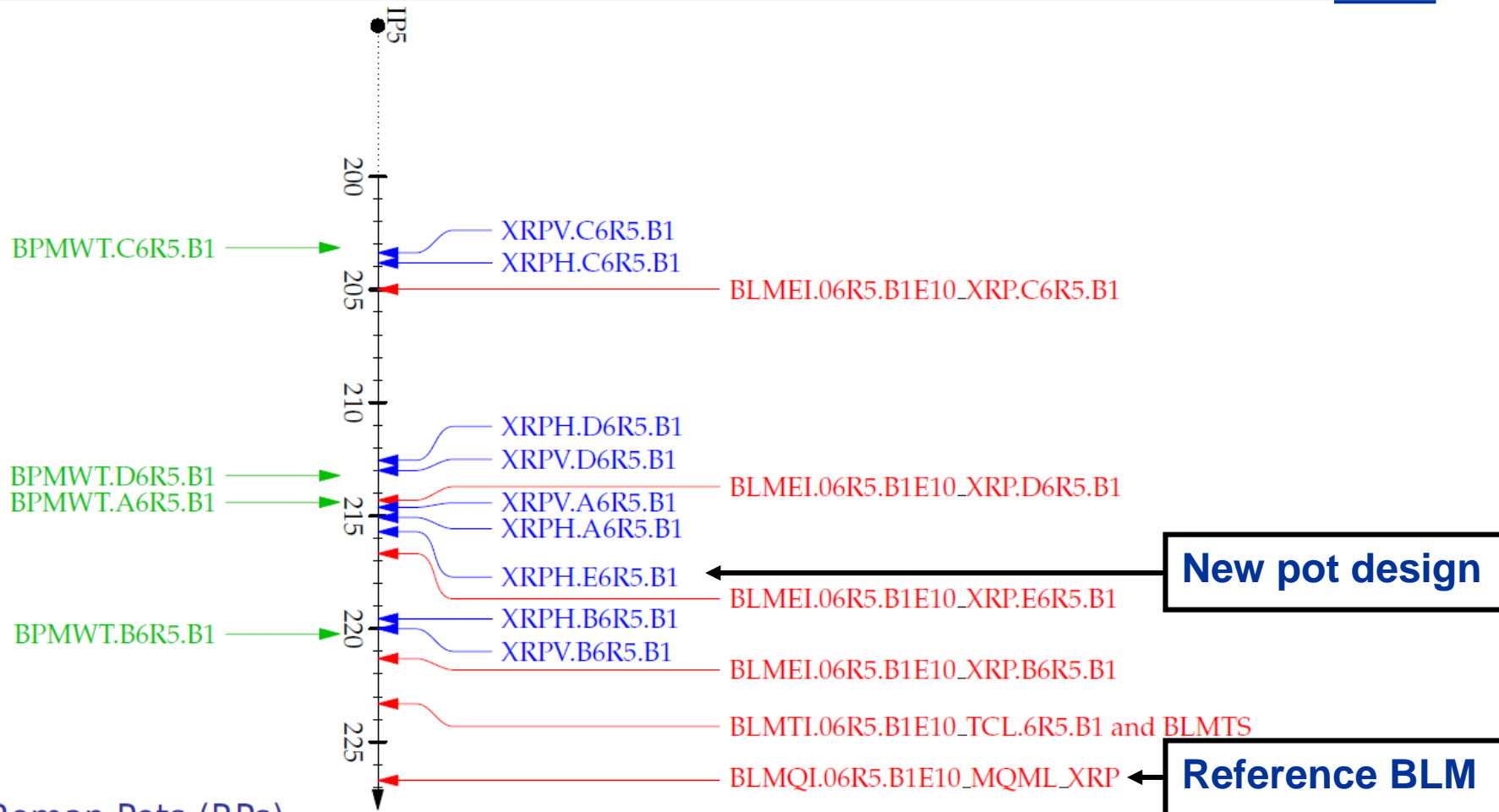
- When:

- Change done 10.8.2015

- What:

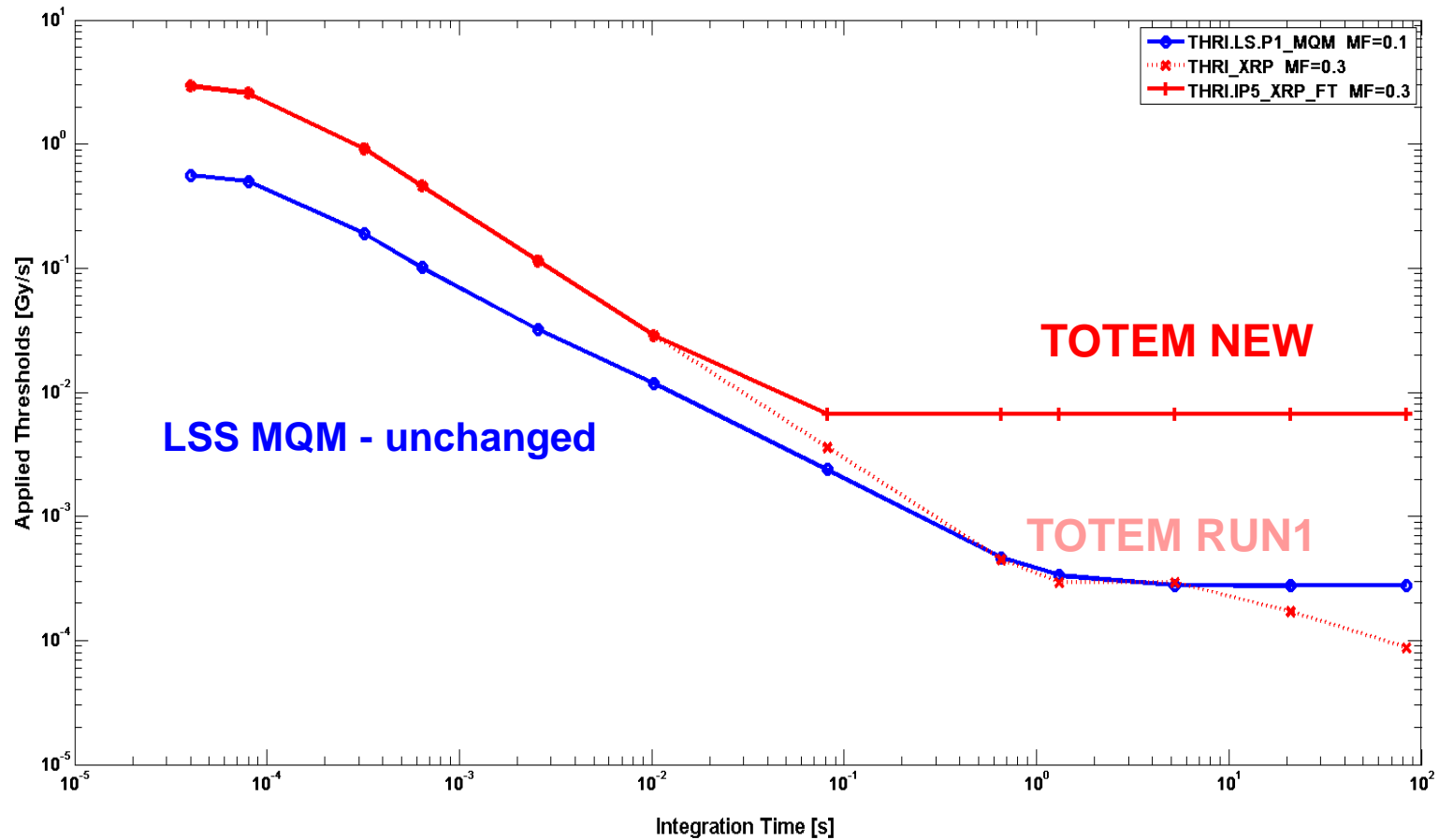
- Applied thresholds 20 on _XRP monitors 20 time higher than on the MQML monitor (BLMQI.06R5.B1E10_MQML_XRP) for RS9 (1.3 sec) and longer
- MF unchanged 0.3 (margin for increase)
- Based on the TOTEM analysis (see spare slides).

Overview: Roman Pots, BLMs and BPMs in cell 6R5



- Roman Pots (RPs)
 - C, D, A, B: “old” box
 - E: “new” cylindrical - reduced impedance, higher material budget

Change at 6.5 TeV

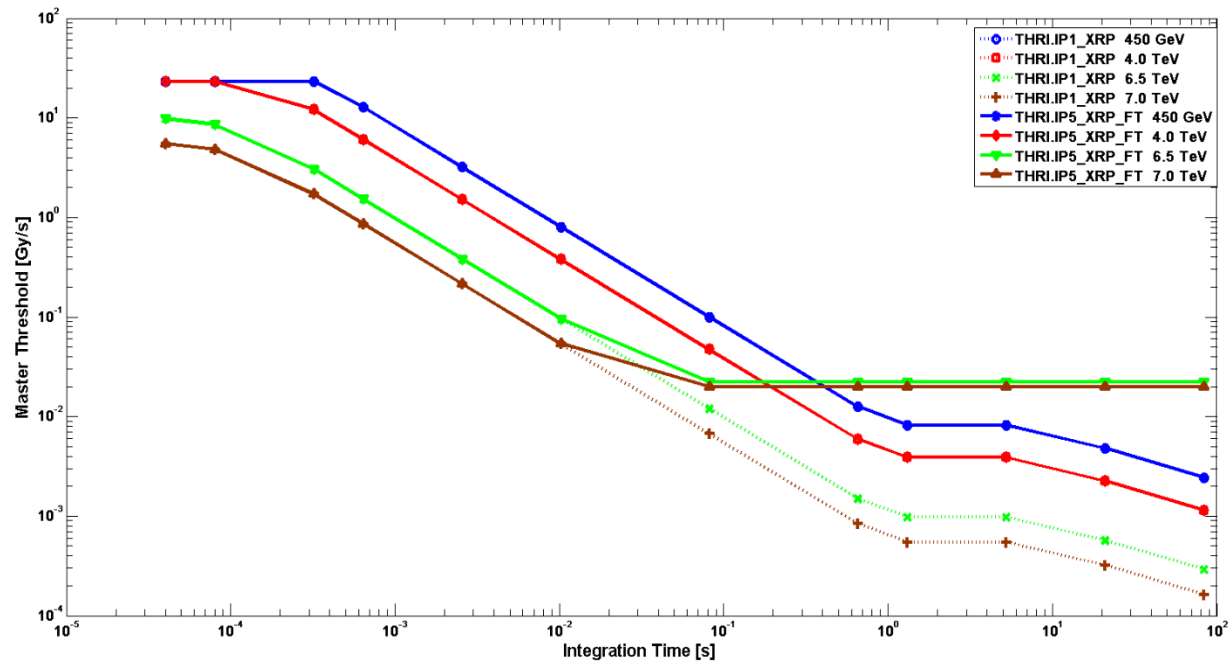


Lower energy thresholds unchanged

Threshold increase factors:

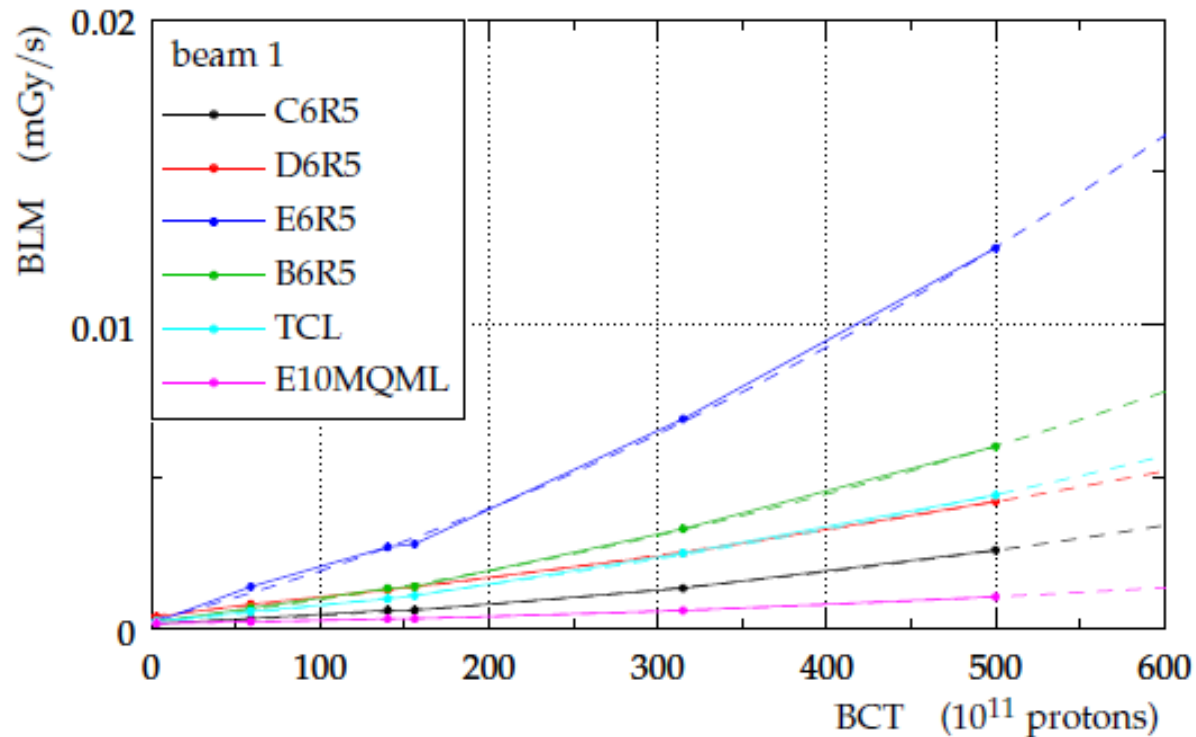
| | | RS7 | RS8 | RS9 | RS10 | RS11 | RS12 |
|----------------|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 6.5 TeV | Elevel 27 | 1.86 | 14.9 | 22.7 | 22.7 | 39.0 | 76.8 |
| | Elevel 28 | 2.45 | 19.6 | 29.9 | 29.9 | 51.5 | 101.3 |
| 7 TeV | Elevel 29 | 2.96 | 23.7 | 36.1 | 36.1 | 62.2 | 122.4 |

Old / new for 4 energy levels:

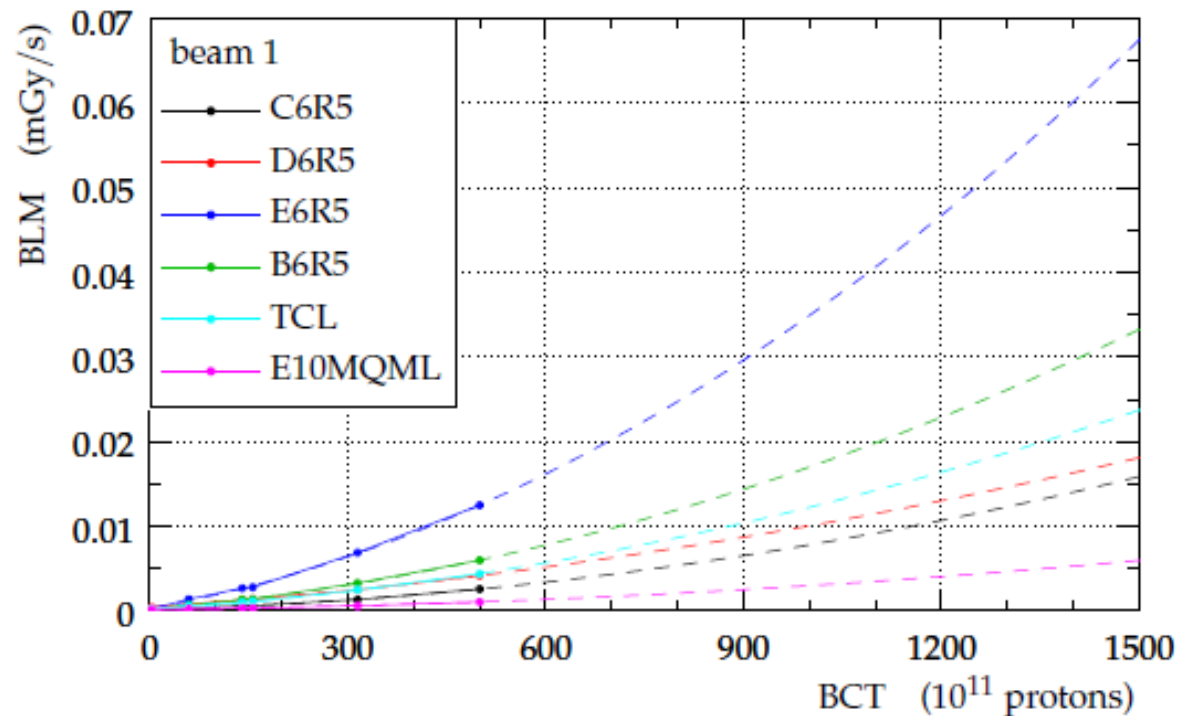


Back-up slides

- RPs inserted routinely by sequence
 - safety margin of 1 mm: verticals at 21σ , horizontals at 31σ
 - TCL5 in
- study by M. Deile: correlation between beam intensity and BLM signal
 - evaluated right after RPs inserted
 - BLM: running sum 9 (1.3 s)
 - dashed = quadratic fit



- BLM signal extrapolation to full intensity:



- BLM threshold: 0.3 mGy/s flat for all RP BLMs
- “E” BLM: extrapolated signal $\approx \frac{1}{4}$ of threshold

- changes to fulfil *physics requirements*
 - TCL5 out to 35σ , TCL6 in
 - RP position without the safety margin of 1 mm: verticals at 18σ , horizontals at 21σ



BLM signal expected to increase

- threshold guidelines
 - radiation not issue for RPs
 - thresholds should not be show-stopper for RP operation

TOTEM proposal of threshold increase for RP BLMs

- guideline for threshold value: if beam dumped then not by RP BLMs
 - slide 3: ratio of BLM signals between MQML and “E” BLM ≈ 10
 - margin: increase the ratio to ≈ 20
 - threshold for E10MQML (Q6) = 0.3 mGy/s
 - thus: increase threshold of RP BLMs to $20 \times 0.3 \text{ mGy/s} = 6 \text{ mGy/s}$
- increase base thresholds (keep monitor factors for further increase if needed)
- increase threshold of all RP BLMs
- review the situation in the beginning of 25ns rampup