

Fast failures from CLIQ and quench heater firing, effect of beam screen shielding and consequences for protection electronics

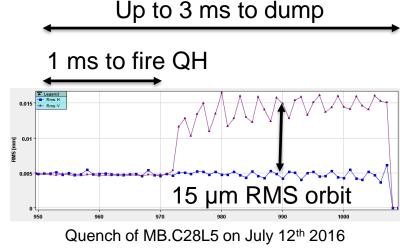
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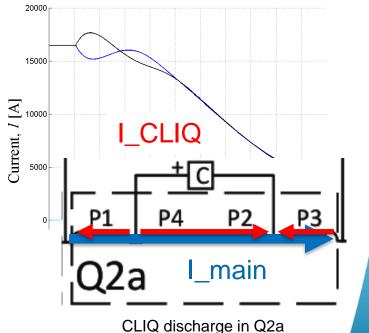


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Introduction

- During LHC operation and dedicated LHC MDs: Quench Heaters (QH) kick the beam when discharging
 - Only observed with MB magnets so far, the beam was dumped before in other circuits
- CLIQ (used to protect MQXF) will discharge few kA in the triple circuit.









LH-LHC magnets with QH

- With HL-LHC intensities and optics, one must dump before triggering Quench protection systems.
- Spurious firing of 1 QH circuit as main failure case.
- Kicks above 1 σ should be avoided.
- Review of expected kicks lead to an update of connection schemes for MQXF and IPD.
- Kicks from Q2b, Q2a, Q3a (with large β-function) are still critical and need to be reviewed.

Expected kicks from QH protecting HL-LHC magnets

Magnet	L (m)	I _{QH} (A)	В (µТ)	Kick (σ)
MB	14.3	80	450	0.4
MQ	3.1	80	430	0.1
IPD (D1, D2, D34)	9.45	200	1.25	0.4
MBXF, MBRD	7.78	168	Quad- rupole field	0.3
11 T- dipole	5.5	150		0.03
MQXF (Q2b)				
HF (old)	7.15	200	643	1.7
LF (old)			700	1.8
HF (new)			472	1.28
LF (new)			412	1.08







Magnetic field transients in MB magnets: Beam measurements vs FEM Simulation

- Beam measurements during quenches and MD:
 - Using 570 BPMs per beam, reconstruction of the kick from the orbit:
 - Assuming +/-50 μm resolution: +/-40 μT @6.5 TeV
 +/-150 μT @450 GeV
- FEM Simulations done with COMSOL:
 - Eddy currents in Beam screen (RRR=100)
 - Inter filament & inter strand coupling currents (IFC & ISC) in the superconductor.
 - Magneto-resitivity

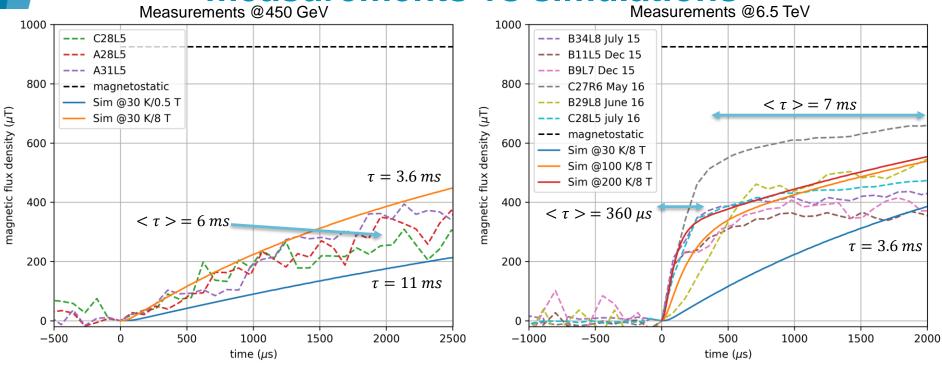




Comparison:

Simulations performed with

measurements vs simulations



- Resistivity is off by a factor $2 (\tau \propto \frac{1}{\rho_{cu}})$
- Initial shielding only due to the coil.
- Second phase with eddy currents in the BS.
- Reproducible with 200 K BS temperature (!)
- The BS appears not to shield for the first 200 μs





Conclusion on protection from spurious QH discharges

- Despite partial mitigation via improved connection schemes, some QH kicks from the MQXF magnets remain critical.
- Simulation models need to be improved to reproduce the measured behavior.
- Measurements with the MQXF beam screen (different geometry) need to be performed.
- Assuming similar behavior as MB BS: reduction of the field/kick < 60% max for 1 ms (~ 11 turns).
- => need a fast (~ 1 ms) interlock on spurious QH firing.
- Efforts to mitigate by slowing down the current discharge in the QH circuit by 1 ms are ongoing.



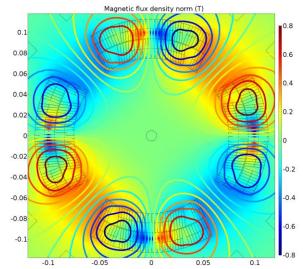


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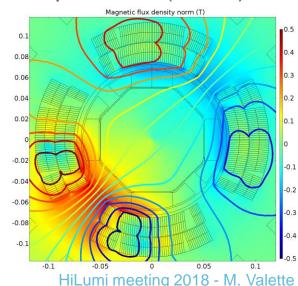
Effect of a CLIQ discharge

- Same as for QH, spurious discharge of one unit assumed as main failure case.
- From connection scheme:
 - Q2: change of quadrupole field
 - Q3: dipole field of 48 mT
- From simple model (sine function to max distortion):
 - Q2: 100% β-beating and small dipole kick in 12 ms => need to dump in 2 ms.
 - Q3: kick of 1 σ/ turn: critical, needs to be reviewed and simulated in time domain

Q2, peak field (12 ms)



Q3, peak field (20 ms)







Shielding during a CLIQ discharge



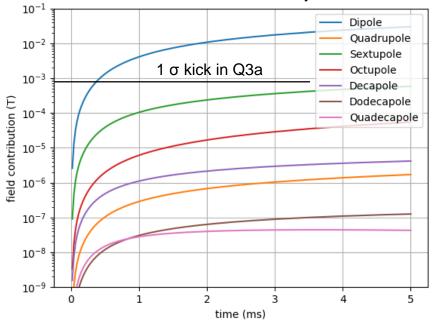
 Following triplet quench event, inconsistency of shielding effects for QH and newfound criticality of CLIQ discharge in Q3:

=> Time-domain simulations for CLIQ discharges including fast transient effects.

 If the shielding behavior is simulated consistently:
 1 σ kick reached after 350 μs (~4 turns)

(but due to inconsistency of shielding effects simulation in the QH case it should be measured)

Field contribution from the various components of the field distortion induced by CLIQ







Conclusion on protection from spurious CLIQ discharges

- As of the previous simulations: a fast interlock (<350 μs) would be needed to protect against a spurious CLIQ discharge; e.g. interlock on current in CLIQ leads < 15 A.
- The shielding from CLIQ discharges in the MQXF must be measured to confirm what fields level can be reached within 1 ms (critical time for interlocking on currents).
- Solutions to have a lower initial current ramp rate should be investigated.





General conclusion

- Spurious Quench Heater/CLIQ discharges can kick the beam and need to be interlocked on in a fast way (~ 1 ms).
- Efforts to mitigate QH failures passively are ongoing.
- Models used to reproduce the magnetic transient should be improved to reproduce LHC events.
- CLIQ /QH discharges in test models of the MQXF should be measured to benchmark models and identify critical timescales.
- The impact of magnet protection systems on circulating beam has to be taken into account during the specification and design of new equipment.



Outlook

- The MQXFS4b is being tested this week in SM18.
 - Measurements of single QH circuit discharge and CLIQ firing and the effect of BS shielding are planned using special magnetic field measurement system (L. Fiscarelli)
- An LHC MD is planned for MD block 4 (Oct 30th), the parameters affecting beam screen resistivity (BS temperature, magnet current) will be scanned further to investigate the discrepancy between model and measurements.



 All previous critical timescales would be relaxed a lot with the inclusion of the e-lens in the baseline, but would imply a change of protection strategy currently base on the early detection of losses => based on orbit motion.







Thank you for your attention

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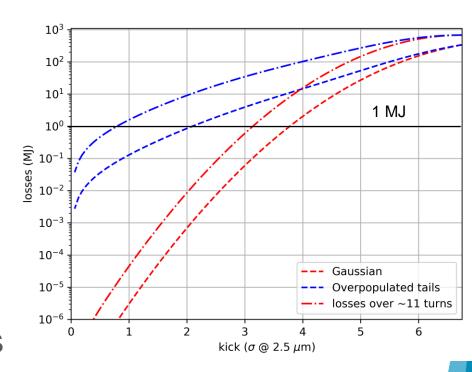
Impact of superconducting magnet protection equipment on the circulating beam in HL-LHC, M. Valette et al. ,IPAC'18 Copenhagen

Simulation of transient effects in accelerator magnets



Stored energy in tails as function of beam distribution

- The deposition of energy
 1 MJ within very short
 time (< 1ms) is
 considered critical
- Assuming 5 σ collimators (ε=3.5 μm) and 720 MJ beam energy (ε=2.5 μm) and for beam distributions with strongly overpopulated tails (as observed in the LHC) this limit is reached for an orbit shift of ~1 σ







Alternative connection schemes



