Closing Remarks

Programme and Sessions

- Beam Operations and modelling
- Beam Diagnostics
- Ramp, squeeze, optics lessons from physics
- Machine Protection
- Controls and Operational Specs
- 2010 Operations

A balanced and useful programme

General Remarks

- An excellent initiative as a complement to the "hardware" session of Chamonix 2010
- Excellent instructive and detailed talks
 - Given by the younger members of the LHC team
- Lots of important issues raised and discussed
- Organizers have set a new standard for workshop organization (..and possibly expense!)

Some General Comments

- Identification of many needed technical improvements of 2009
 - Being or to be implemented
- Transition from operating a safe beam (2009) to an unsafe beam (2010)
- In 2009 some "short-cuts" were taken (culprits
 - ... **me**) we got away with it (so CONGRATULATIONS), but we should definitely NOT continue like this in 2010 when we are dealing with unsafe beams

Comments on Machine Protection

- Set-up beam flag
 - "present system not adequate for 2010"
 - Improvements foreseen for 2010 but not all required improvements can be done
- Collimation: big success: but still more work needed

Questions from Machine Protection

- Who approves the path for intensity increase?
- Who takes the responsibility for the safety of the LHC?
- Discuss on safety (procedures or interlocks)
 - Procedures reduce the possibility of human error
 - But relying on procedures is not always safe
 - Tested interlocks is the system used for personnel safety

Additional Questions/Remarks

- What damage can we do with the foreseen intensities in 2010
- Avoid becoming "paranoid" about increasing the intensity "ships are safe in harbours but that is not why they are built,"
- We must avoid the situation where we are stopped by the safety system from protecting the LHC.