



Quench Protection Systems

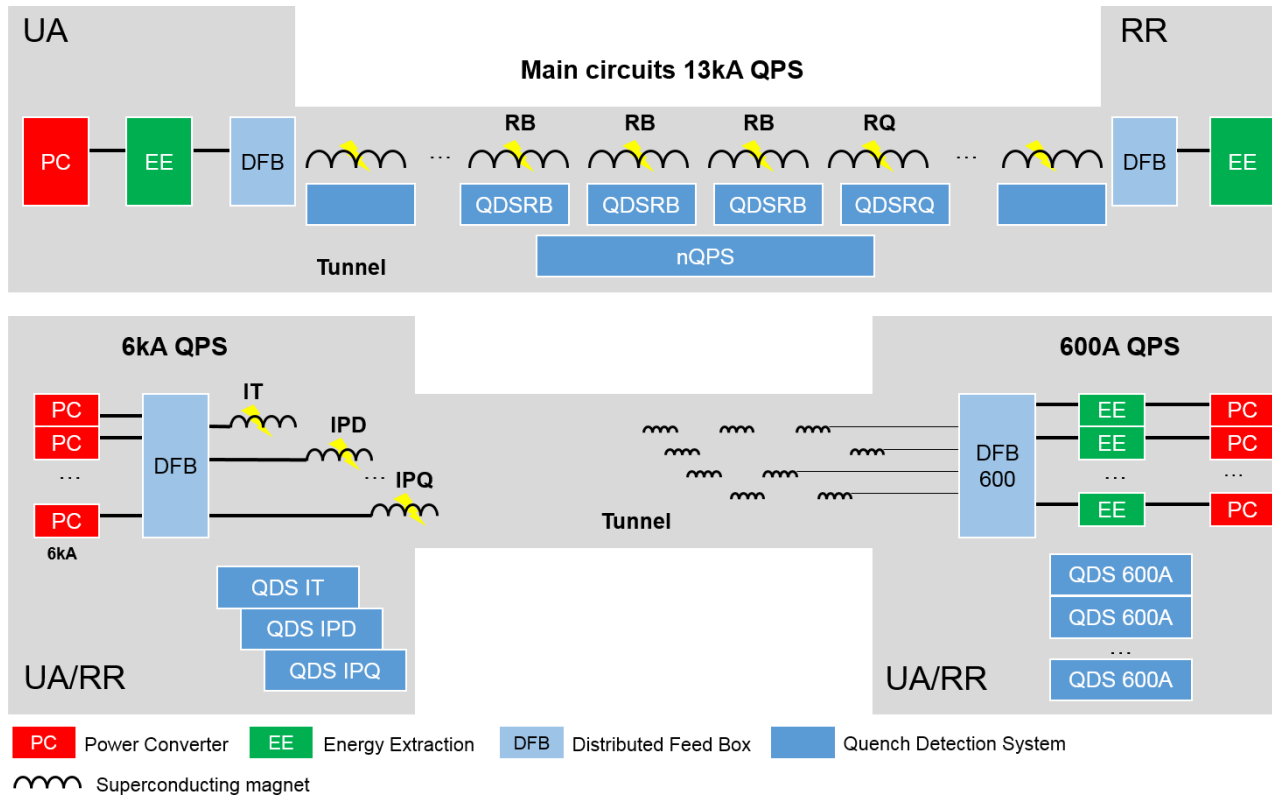
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Outline

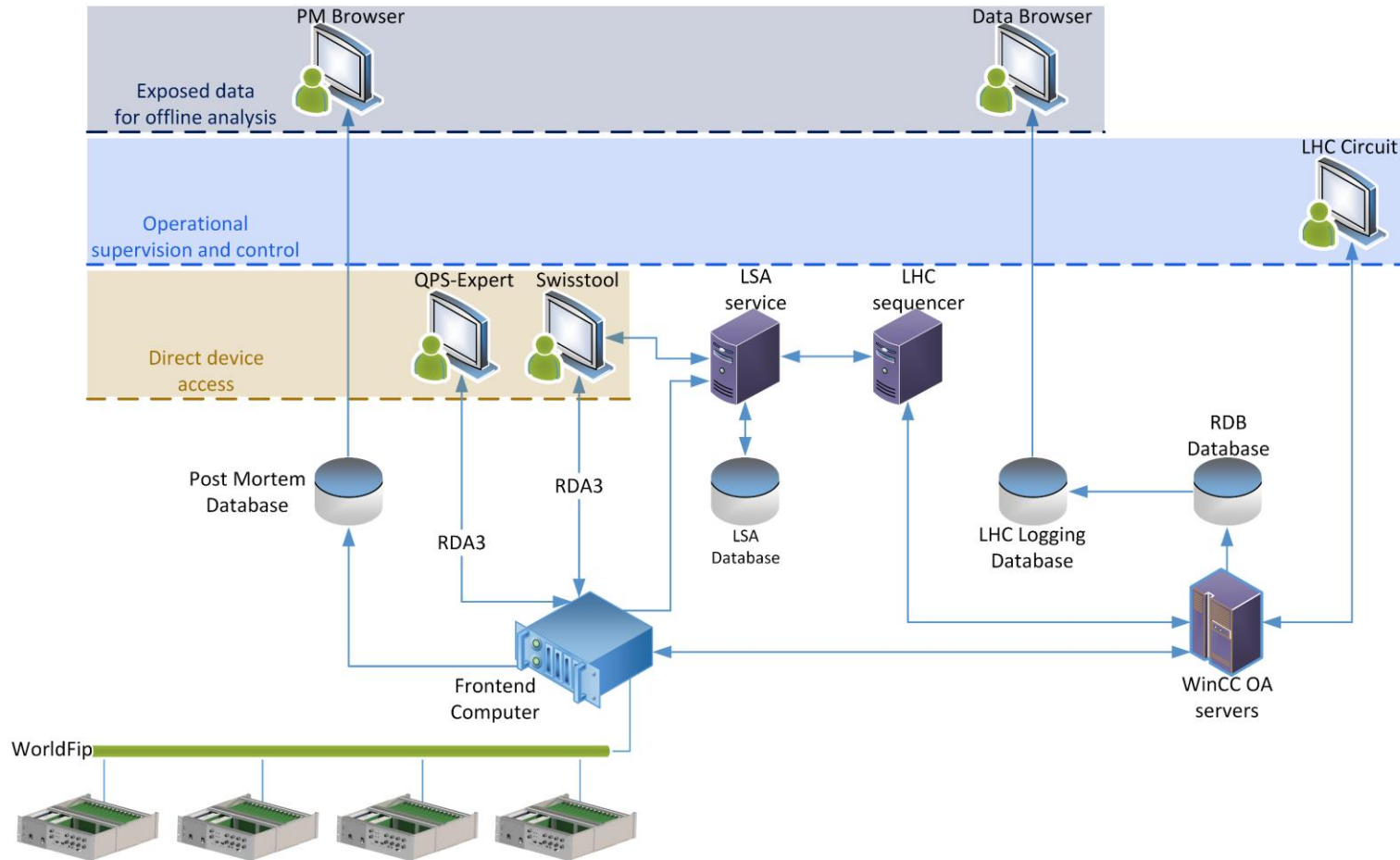
- Introduction to **Q**uench **P**rotection **S**ystems
- Planned changes in QPS for LS2
- Upgraded QPS – closer look
 - QPS for main quadrupoles (MQ)
 - QPS for 11T dipole
 - QPS for individually powered magnets (IPx)
- Conclusions

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	Item	Count
	EE13kA	32
	EE600	202
	HDS	6084
	QDSRB	1232
	Magnet detector	2464
	QDSRQ	392
	Magnet detector	1568
	nQPS	436
	Magnet detector	1632
	Bus-bar detector	4096
	QDSIPX	76
	IP magnet detector	360
	IT magnet detector	48
	Current lead detector	1124
	QDS600	114
	Magnet detector	624
	Rad-tol magnet det.	212
	Current lead detector	1672
	Total	8568
	Interlocking	13800

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Planned Changes in QPS for LS2

- QPS for MQ (DYPQ)
 - Lifecycle management driven
 - Enhance diagnostics and remote maintenance
 - Improve reliability and radiation tolerance
- QPS for 11T
 - New quench protection system needed
- QPS for IPx (IPQ, 600A)
 - Reduce susceptibility to thunderstorms – IPQ
 - Improve detection of symmetric quenches – IPQ
 - Improve EMC of current sensors – 600A
 - Maintenance, test and reduction of units – EE 600A

Old DYPQ

392 racks in the LHC tunnel



HDS trigger coupling

UPS 1

HDS 1

HDS 2

Power supply 1

Quench detector

Quench detector

Power supply 2

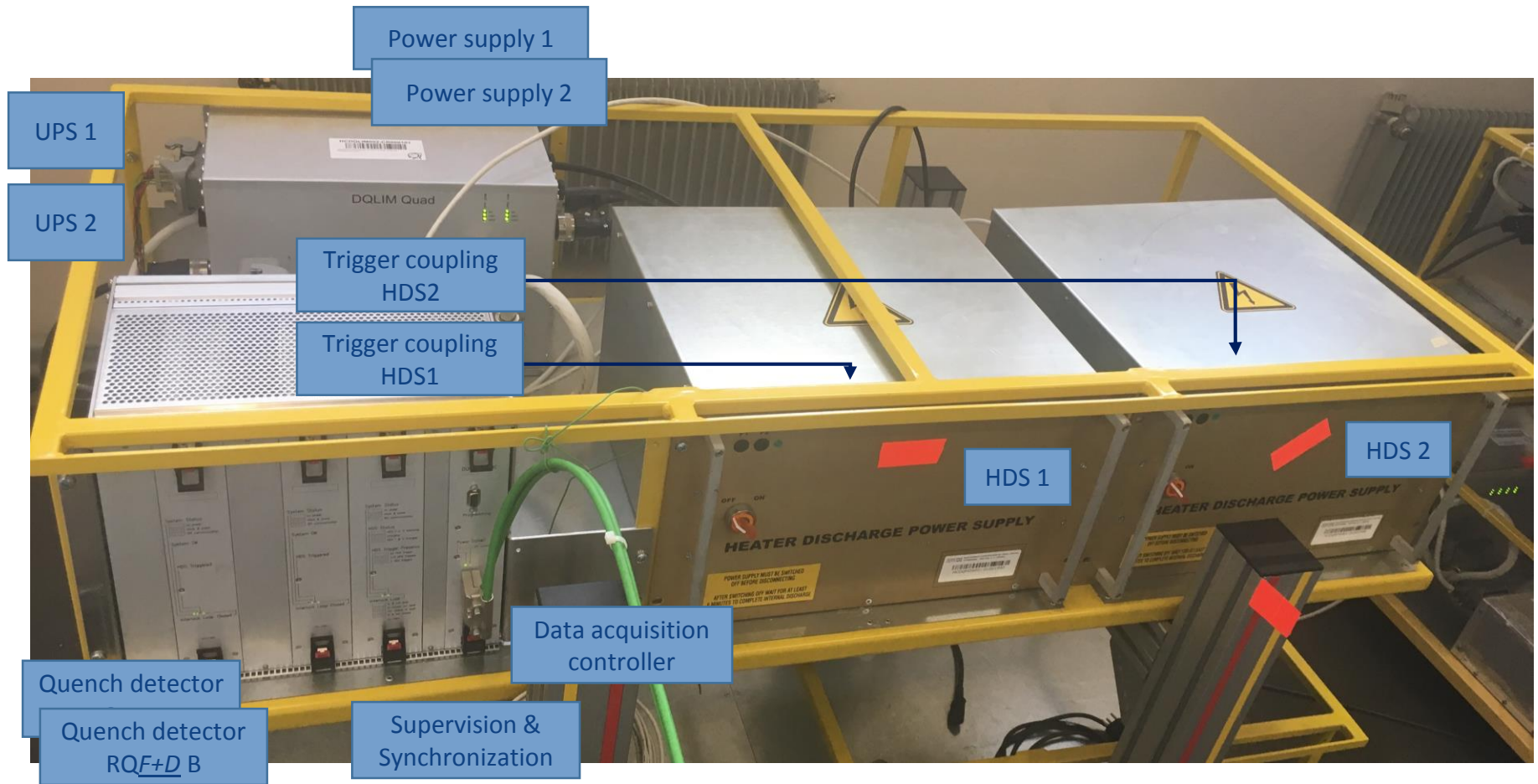
Quench detector

Quench detector

MQD B

Data acquisition controller

New DYPQ



DYPQ Upgrade

Core Functions

- Redundant powering on the UPS level
- Quench detection logic and signal filtering in digital domain
- Enhanced quench heater supervision
- Qualified in radiation
 - Components in PSI, device in CHARM – radiation tolerant up to 300 Gy (with an exchange of data acquisition controller)

Enhanced Diagnostics

- Quench heater trigger monitoring
- Interlock loop monitoring
- Power supply monitoring
- Enhanced PM timing precision
- Continuous configuration transmission

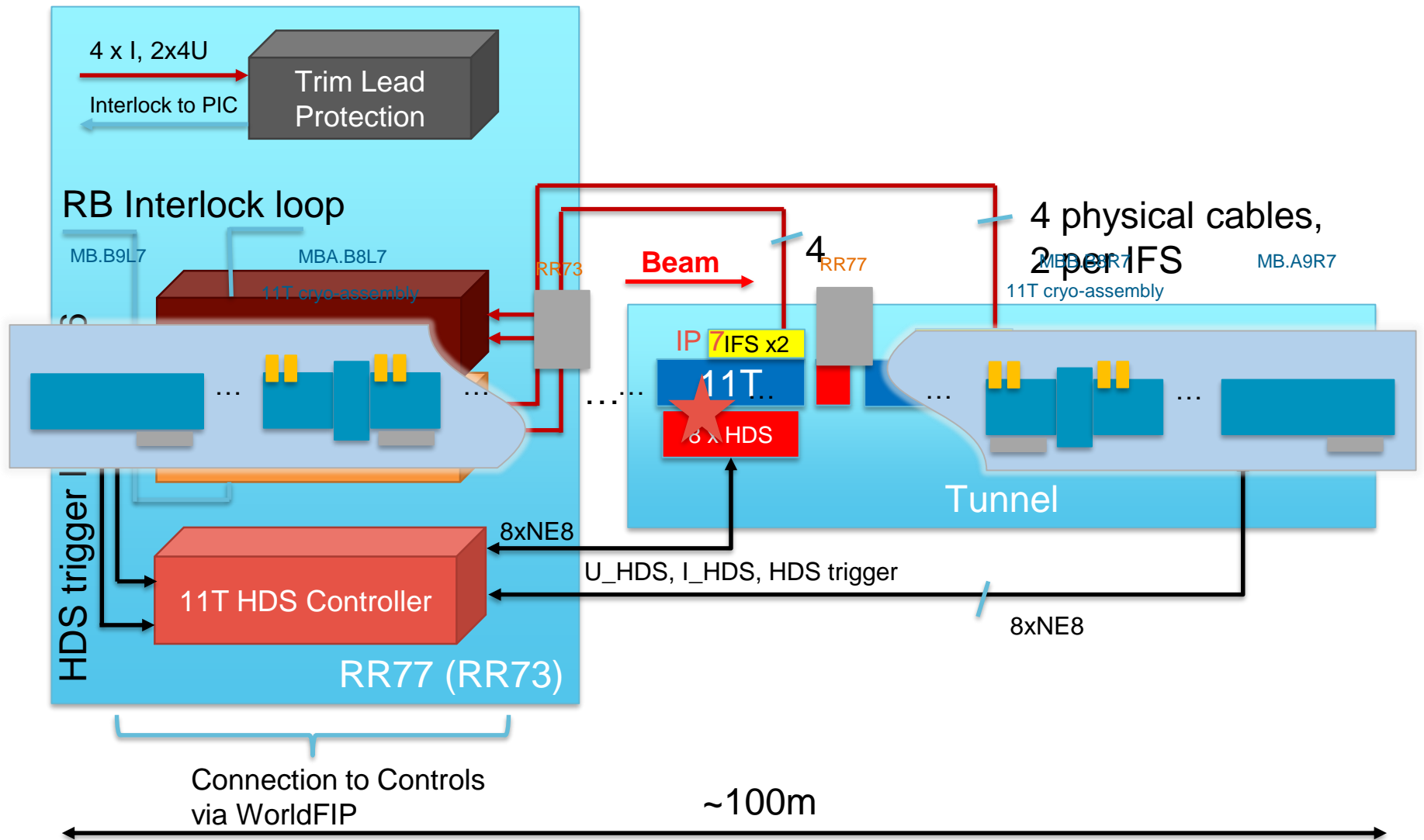
Enhanced Maintenance

- Remote power cycle
- Boards in metallic enclosures (cassettes)
- Tool-less exchange of the cassettes
- Dedicated LED indicators on the front panel allowing quick status assessment by Piquet

DYPQ Upgrade – Operational View

- Signals from redundant quench detectors sent at the same time
- System configuration continuously transmitted
- Larger number of signals transferred to the LHC controls
 - All power supplies provided by DQLIM are monitored
 - HDS trigger links are monitored for the first time in the LHC
 - HDS voltage and current are monitored
 - Interlock loop state is monitored
- Improved PM data timing
- Selectable PM analysis resolution
- Remote power cycle

QPS for 11T



Universal Quench Detection

Backplane with signal connector(s)

Front-end channels (up to 16)

Galvanic insulation 2.5kV

Digital mid-plane

Redundant power supplies (monitored)

Interlocks & communication

Field Bus

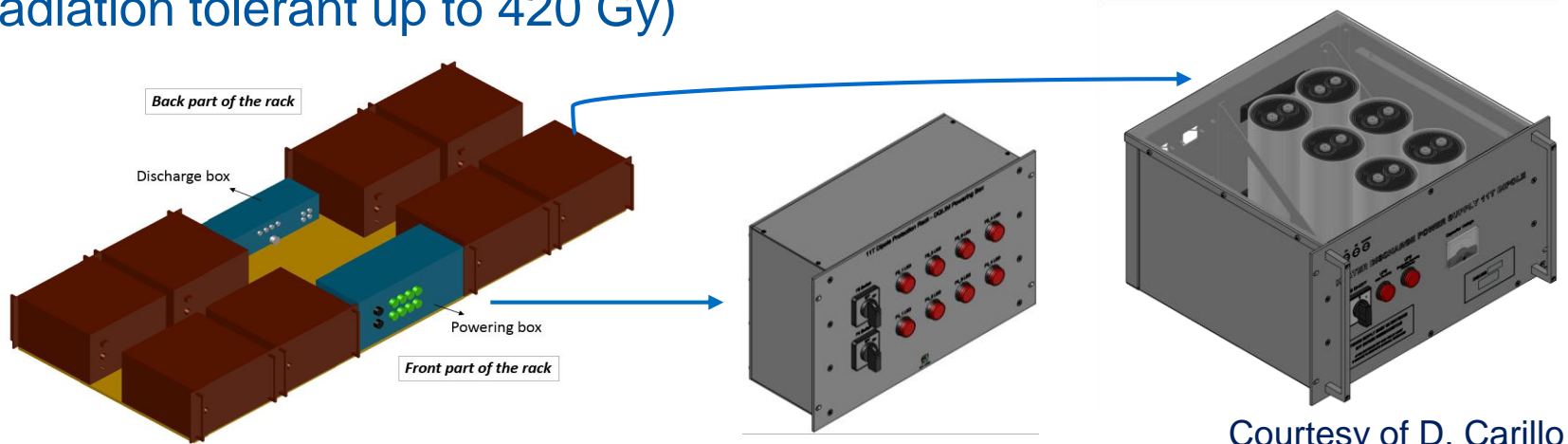
Ti/NbTi splice

Sn/NbTi splice

- Redundancy on the level of crate
 - Enhanced availability of supervision
- Qualified in radiation
 - Components in PSI, device in CHARM – radiation tolerant up to 100 Gy

HDS Rack

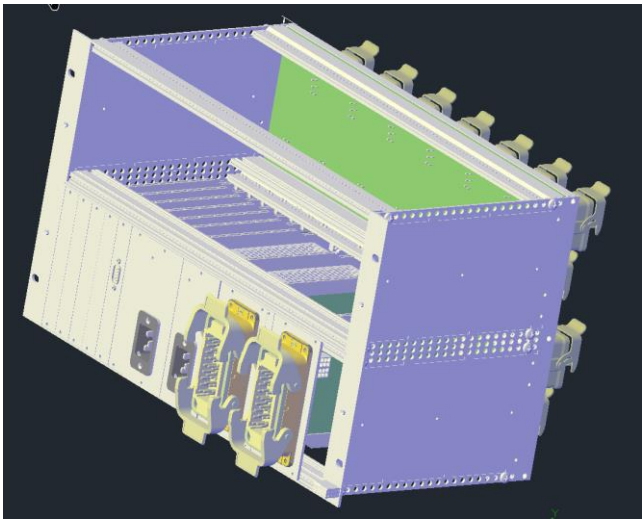
- DQHDS supplied by both F3 (UPS1) and F4 (UPS2)
- Switches on the front side to turn on/off the eight DQHDS
- For maintenance purposes, the current transformers installed inside the DQHDS
- New DQHDS has relays in the internal discharge circuit for safety
- New DQHDS has a voltage indicator
- Qualified in radiation (components in PSI, device in CHARM – radiation tolerant up to 420 Gy)



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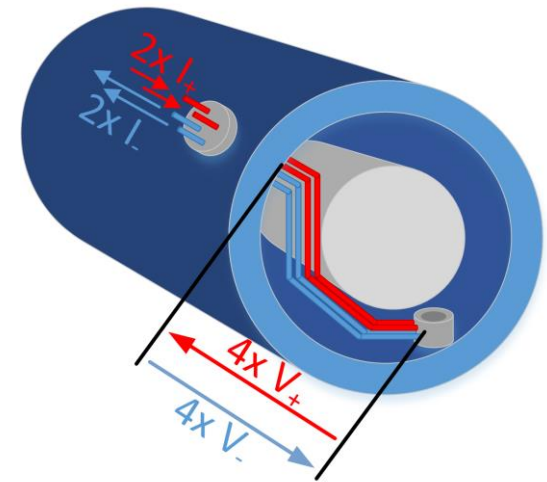
11T HDS Controller

- Monitoring 16 quench heater voltages and 16 currents
- Trigger coupling of 2x16 HDS trigger lines from UQDS (fully passive, no fan-out required)
- HDS trigger monitoring
- Supervision of Heater-to-IFS box cable connection



Trim Lead Protection Unit

- The resistive leads of the 11T trim circuit require active protection
- Lead voltage will be measured redundantly (2x4 voltages)
- Short bus-bars connecting circuit to the magnet will be included in measurements
- Current sharing will be monitored and optionally interlocked (1x4 currents)
- Unit will be composed of existing quench detection boards (DQQDC & DQAMG) or UQDS will be used



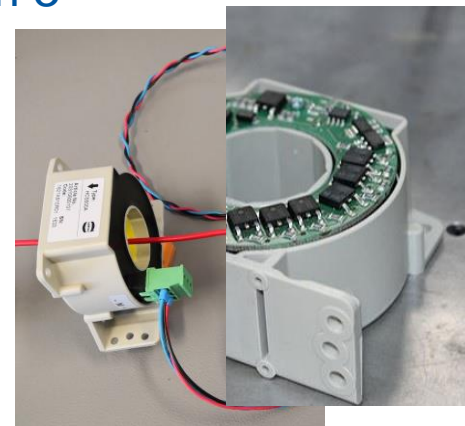
Consolidation of QPS for IPQ

- Reduce susceptibility to thunderstorms
 - Separation of magnet and bus-bar protection
- Enhance detection of symmetric quenches
 - Use of current derivative sensors
 - New quench detection unit to interface current derivative sensors
- Improve quench heater supervision
 - Use existing DQHSU units (used for main dipoles)
- Improve remote maintenance
- Partial upgrade planned for LS2
 - According to priority list that is in preparation by MP3



Consolidation of QDS for 600A

- Improve EMC of current sensors
 - Exchange of current sensors in sensitive areas (RR)
 - Installation of redundant sensors to switch in case of faults
 - New sensor candidate showed very good noise performance and was qualified in irradiation testing campaign in PSI up to 420 Gy
- Improve ramp rate limits
 - Use of current derivative sensors for high-inductance circuits – planned but not confirmed for beginning of Run 3
- General maintenance
 - Improve PM timing
 - Improve remote maintenance
 - Improve current sensor cabling (RR)



Consolidation of EE 600A

- General maintenance of 600A EE systems
 - Systems targeted according to closing failure rate
- Reduction of 600 A EE units in operation
 - Circuits with operational currents below 300 A to be by-passed
 - Changes in firmware required
 - Interlock configuration affected
- Four vacuum breaker-based systems will replace four electromechanical ones
 - Exact circuits to be decided
- Transparent for operation

Upgrade of QPS: Miscellaneous

- Partial replacement of obsolete detection boards by new generation QDS for ITs
- Fast quench loop controllers for S67 and S78
 - Fast (<1 ms) transmission of circuit abort signal to PIC – required to dump the beam prior to heater firing in 11 T dipoles
- Reconfiguration of the nQPS layer in S67 and S78 after 11 T dipole installation
 - 11 T dipoles cannot serve as reference magnets for aperture symmetric quenches
- 13 kA EE systems
 - Consolidation and maintenance of 256 circuit breakers
 - Inspection and maintenance of dump resistors
 - Consolidation of controls

Upgrade of QPS Supervision & Control

- MasterFIP replaces WorldFip (test successful so far)
- Major software stack update
- NXCALS logging – in cooperation with BE-ICS
- Refactoring of real time application
 - Data processing optimization
 - State machine controller
 - Automatic fault recovery
- Automatic analysis of state of health of the system
- Swisstool extension
- Supervision must be fully operational before QPS IST and LHC HWC!

Conclusions

- QPS for MQ will be upgraded due to approaching the end of the system lifetime, and as well to enhance diagnostics and remote maintenance
- QPS for 11T will be deployed to protect 11T magnet
- Partial consolidation of QPS for IPx circuits will be performed
- We do not expect any surprises in QPS due to operation at 7 TeV

Thank you for your attention!

