

# LHC Vacuum Supervisory application updates during LS2

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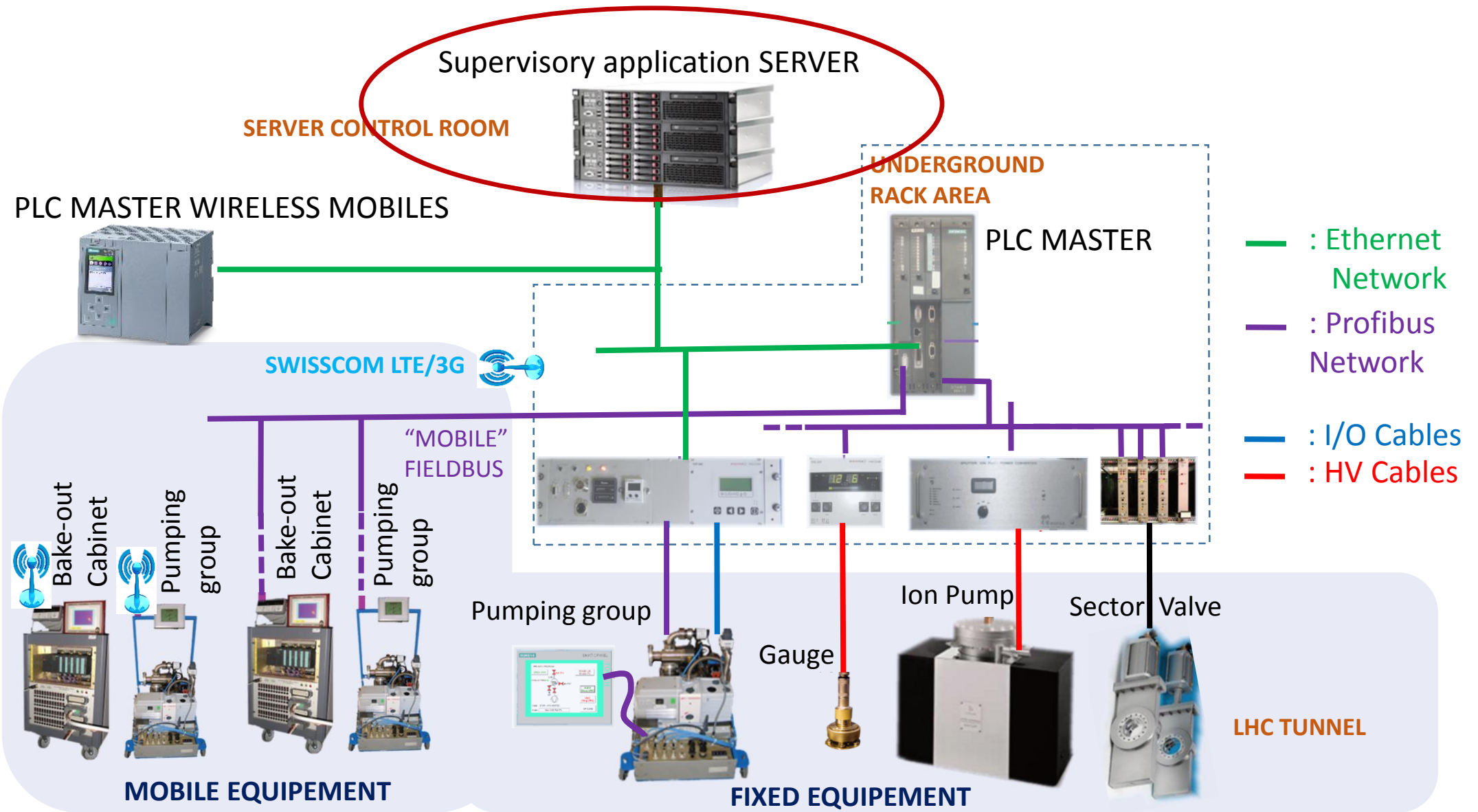


# Introduction: Vacuum controls architecture

Supervisory Layer:

PLC Layer:

Field Controller Layer:



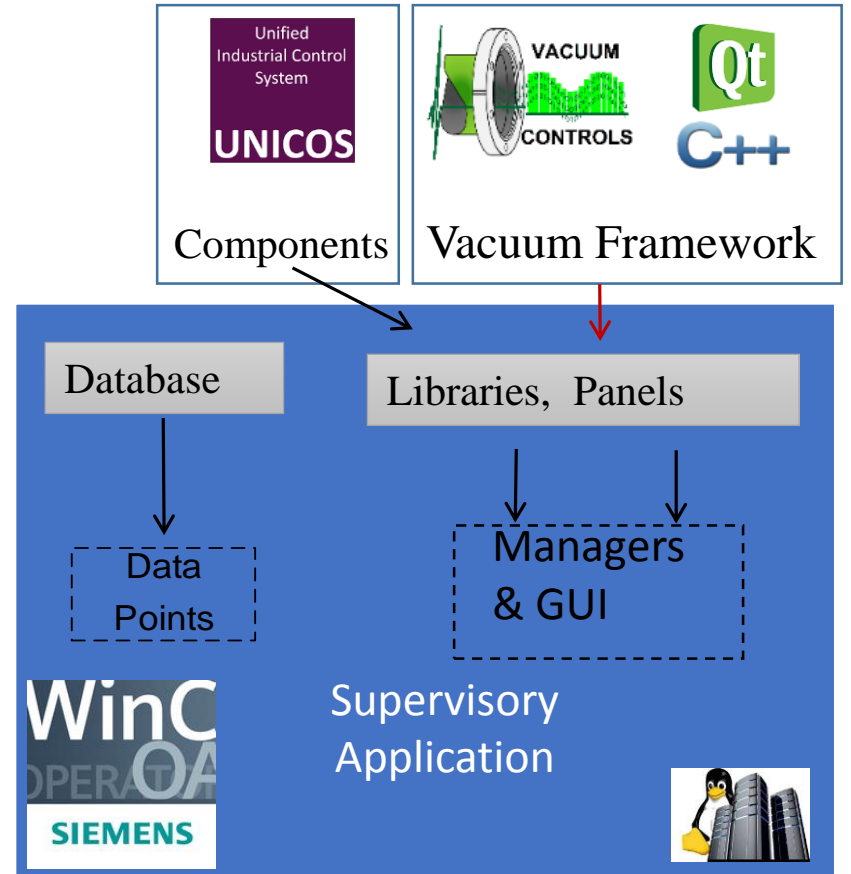


# Introduction: Vacuum supervisory application

- What are all these acronyms you may have heard/read?:
  - PVSS: old product name from ETM gmbh
  - WinCC OA: new product name after SIEMENS bought ETM
  - **SCADA**: generic name

## « Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition »

- What is the vacuum SCADA application?:
  - Siemens commercial product with on top:
    - Dedicated managers and drivers developed by Siemens for CERN
    - Unicos Components
    - Vacuum Framework

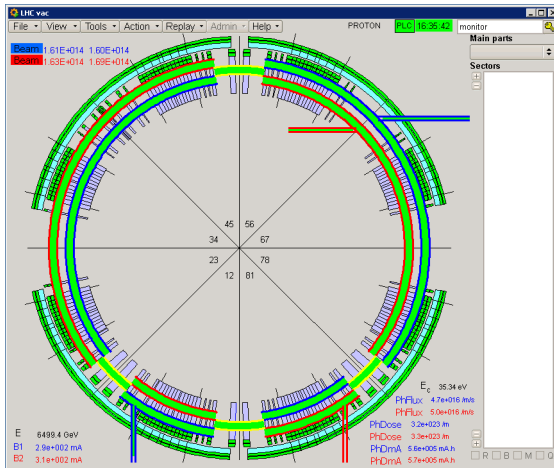




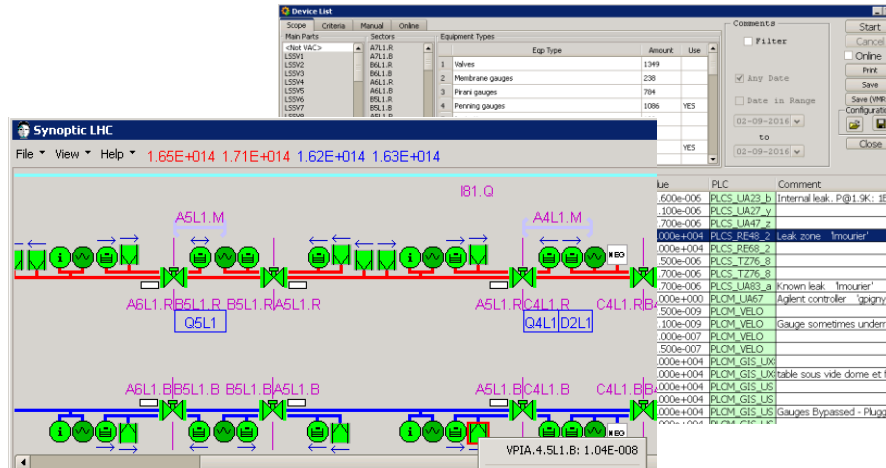
# Introduction: Vacuum Supervisory application

Control And Data Acquisition

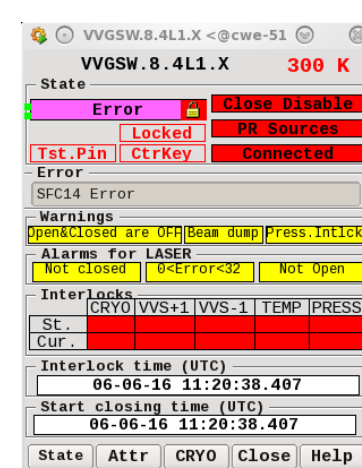
It is more than a supervisory application: The swiss army knife for the vacuum control system.



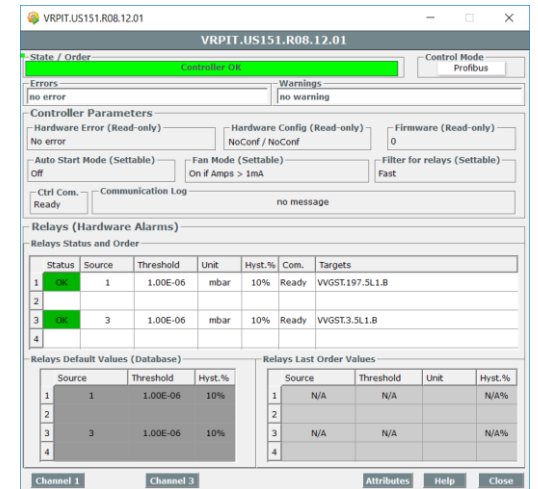
Final State view



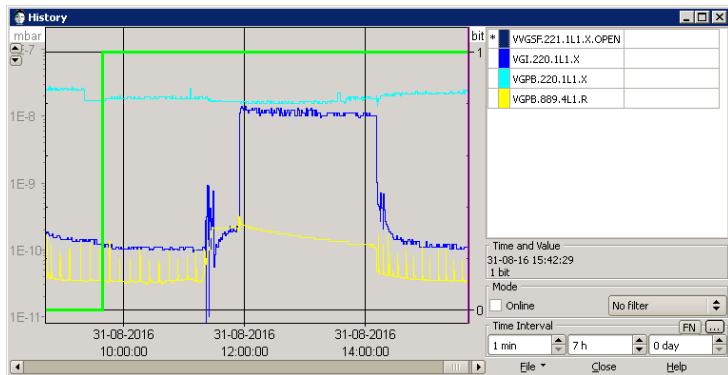
Monitoring



Remote Control



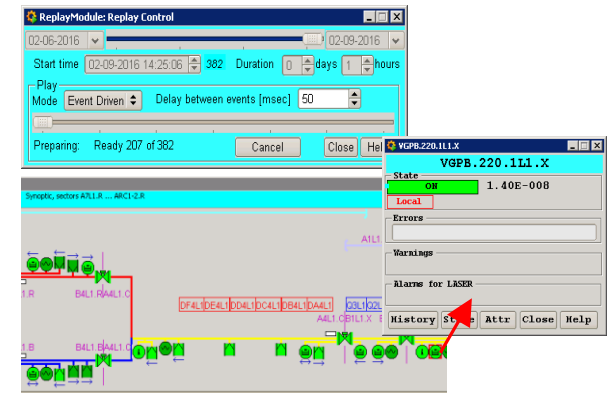
Parametrizations



Archiving & Trending



Diagnostics



Replay



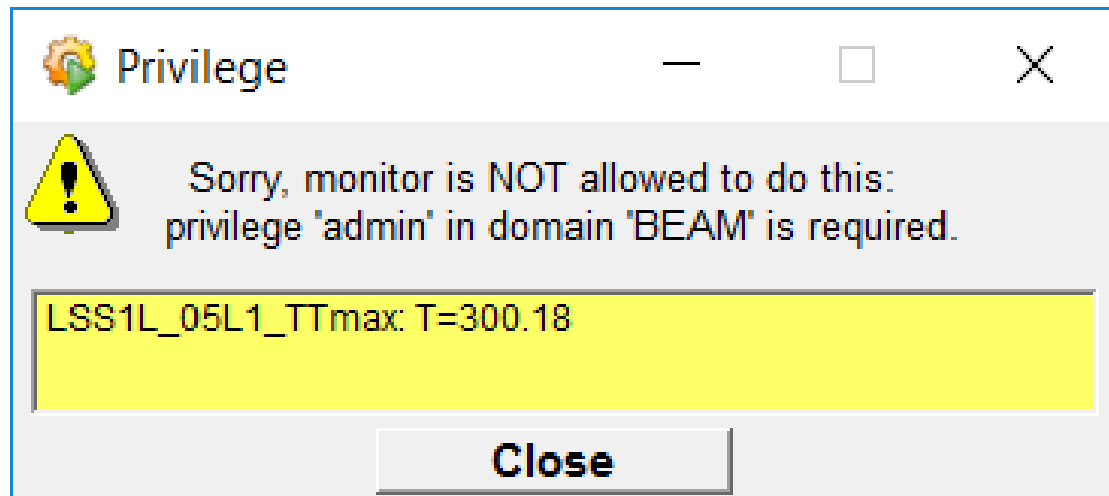
# Access Control: Safety first



In control systems, safety is first a matter of a hardware design, installation and procedures (connectors, cabling, controllers, PLC processes, lockout procedures...). This is out of the scope of this presentation.

We will mention another aspect of safety related to the supervisory application :  
**Access Control**

Why you get the below message?





# Access Control: Domain and Privilege



Most boring slide

Access Control is managed using:

**Domain:** Classification to group devices that are operated by a dedicated group of users. Domain is related to a system (or sub-system), an area, a device type (or a group of device types) or a mix of previous.

Example:

- “BEAM” domain for the generic devices installed on Beam vacuum,
- “NEG” domain for NEG controller devices.

**Privilege:** Level of “accreditation” to operate a device, in the vacuum supervisory application there are 4 levels:



- monitor (access to diagnostic features, no action)
- operator (basic actions)
- expert (advanced actions)
- admin (critical actions)

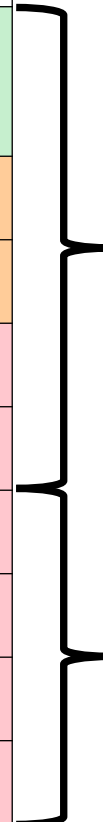


# Access Control: Privileges

Most useful? slide




ACTIONS	PRIVILEGE LEVEL REQUIRED
Instrument switch on/open or off/close Process start/stop	operator
Process setup and mode change	expert
Instrument force on/open	expert
Instrument block off and release block off  	admin
TPG300 and Ion Pump controller parameters ( <b>VVS Interlocks</b> )	admin
Ion Pump switch on when <b>Beam info</b>	admin
VVS Open Order at <b>Cryo Temperature &gt; 5K</b>	admin
VVS Open Order when <b>Access Zone state is "ACCESS"</b>	admin
VVS Close Order when <b>Beam info</b>	admin



Static

Dynamic

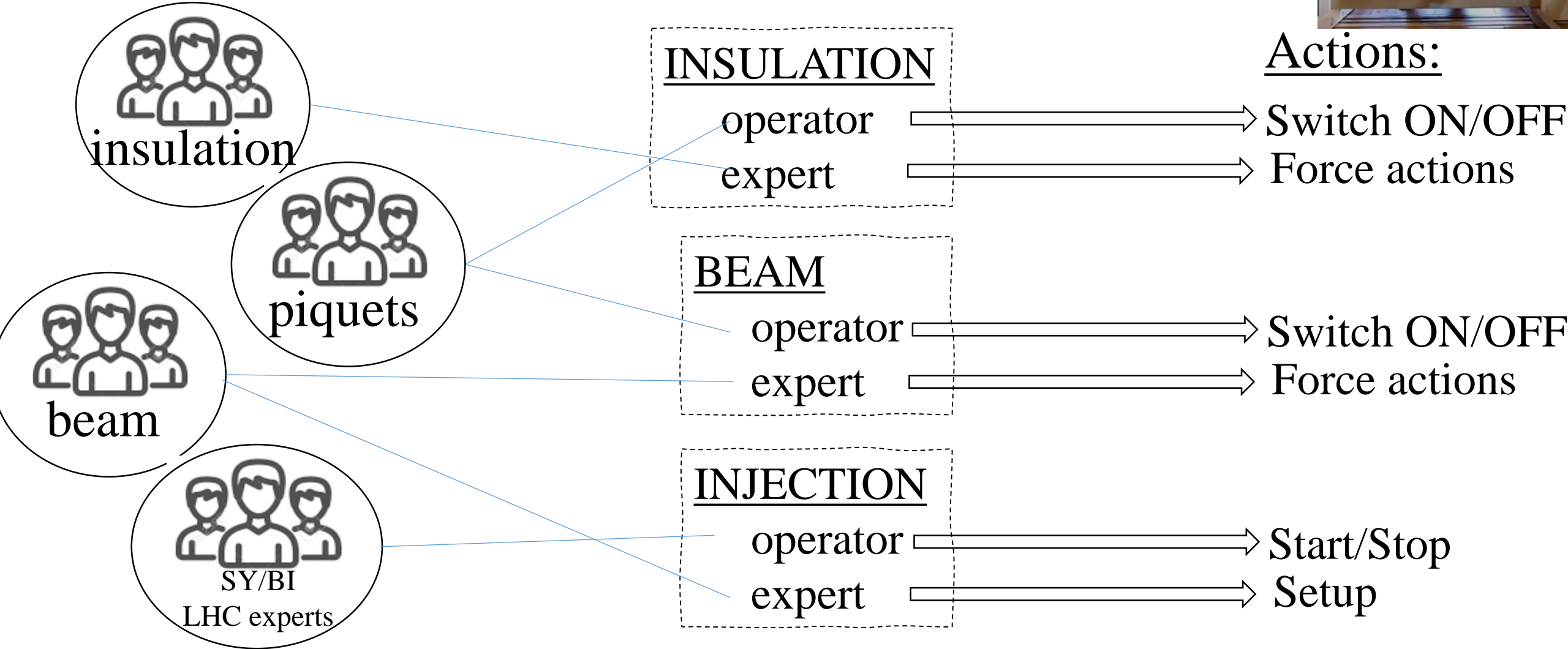
 Block off order is a Remote order disable, it blocks only any remote order from SCADA, it **does not guarantee the instrument is not powered** and it **does not avoid any local actions**

# Access Control: Group of users



## Groups of users:

## Domains & Privileges:



## Actions:

Switch ON/OFF

Force actions

Switch ON/OFF

Force actions

Start/Stop

Setup





# Updates: Why?

You may have received the below e-mail, what is behind this email?

**To:** Vacuum-Controls-Users-LHC (Users of the LHC Vacuum Control Systems) <[Vacuum-Controls-Users-LHC@cern.ch](mailto:Vacuum-Controls-Users-LHC@cern.ch)>  
**Subject:** [LHC] Vacuum Controls update: MONDAY (3rd February 2020)

Dear Colleagues,

An update of the LHC Supervisory Application and its PLCs is scheduled on [Monday, the 3rd of February 2020 at 9am.](#)

## LHC VACUUM CONTROLS UPDATE:

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### Purpose:

- INSULATION VACUUM - Octant 5-8: New controls for pumping groups, I/O gauges and Cryo Alarms
- INSULATION VACUUM : New VPG Animations and menus
- INSULATION VACUUM : New Alarms for Cryo table panel
- BEAM VACUUM - Arc45 Right, Arc78 Right: New controls for I/O gauges
- BEAM VACUUM - LSS6-7-8: New Agilent VPI controlers and new Profibus interface for Sector Valves

### Concerned Services :

Vacuum SCADA application LHC\_3.15  
PLCs  
Fixed pumping groups and by-pass valves

### Services back :

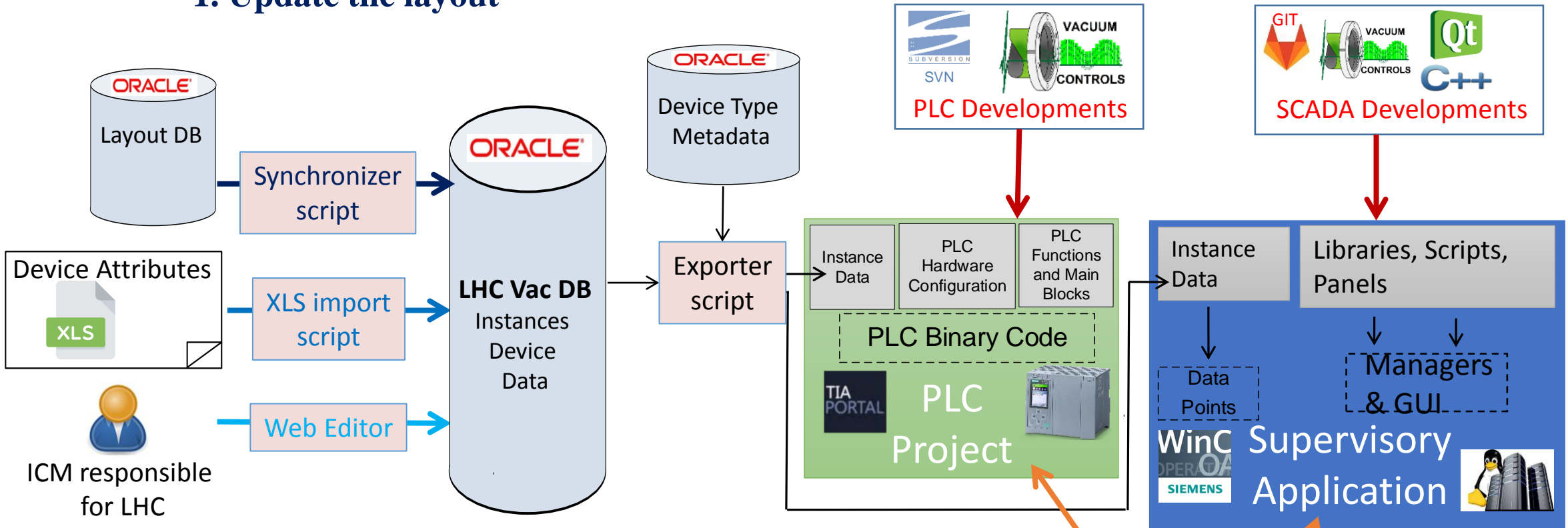
SCADA Application @ 18h30  
PLCs, Fixed pumping groups and by-pass valves @ 18h30

Best Regards,  
Vacuum Controls team



# ⚡ Updates: Why and How?

## 1. Update the layout



## 4. Developments and deployment of new device types and functionalities

## 2. Controller migration (VPG, VG, VPI..) and bulk data import

## 3. Control attributes and parameters updates

## 5. Hardware and Software migrations to tackle obsolescence



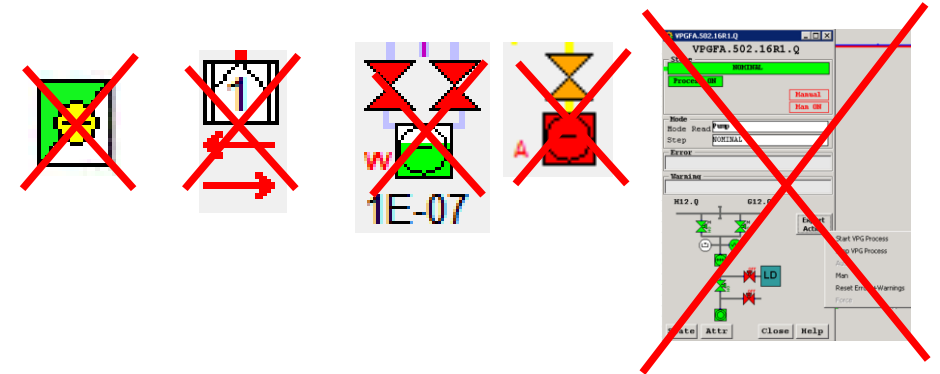
# The Flop: First implementations of new device types

## The issue:

First implementations of the remote control and animation for new pumping groups and I/O gauges in 2019 and early 2020 updates.



- Missing statuses and actions
- Wrong details panel implementation
- Incoherent device icon's animation in synoptic
- ...



## Why ?

- Change of the device control behaviour that makes the previous remote control and animation not possible to reuse.
- Different approach and requirements between Beam vacuum and Insulation vacuum
- **No standard and no specifications**



# First implementation of new device types:

## The solution

Restart from scratch :

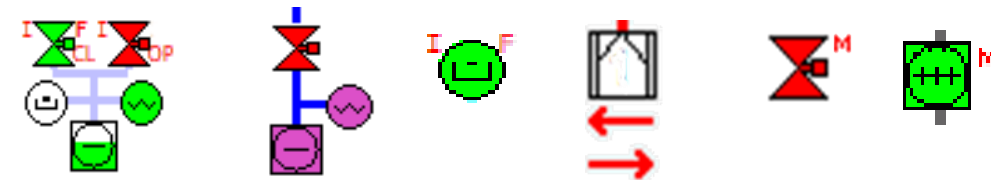
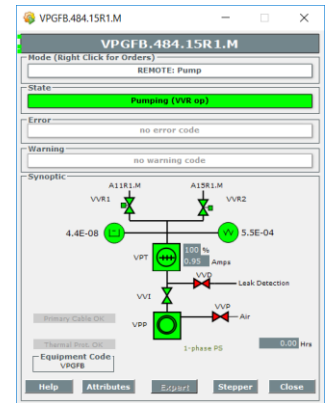
- Specifications proposal
- Meetings
- Official approval procedure
- New development and deployment



6 versions  
to finally find  
a compromise!



**Standardization**  
of device animation  
in the supervisory application



<https://edms.cern.ch/document/2317395/6>

# The Top: The proof of the scalability

Unprecedented (since the LHC installation) success full growth of the LHC supervisory application:

- Increase of “application variable”(data point) number: 700k to **1.5M**
- Increase of **PLC** number: 150 to **290**
- Integration of the remote control for **wireless mobiles**
- Integration of much **complex** (parametrization) **controllers**:
  - I/O gauge controller (ad hoc)
  - Ion pump controller (Agilent<sup>TM</sup>)
  - ...
- Integration of a much complex layout with the new **Layout DB 2.0**



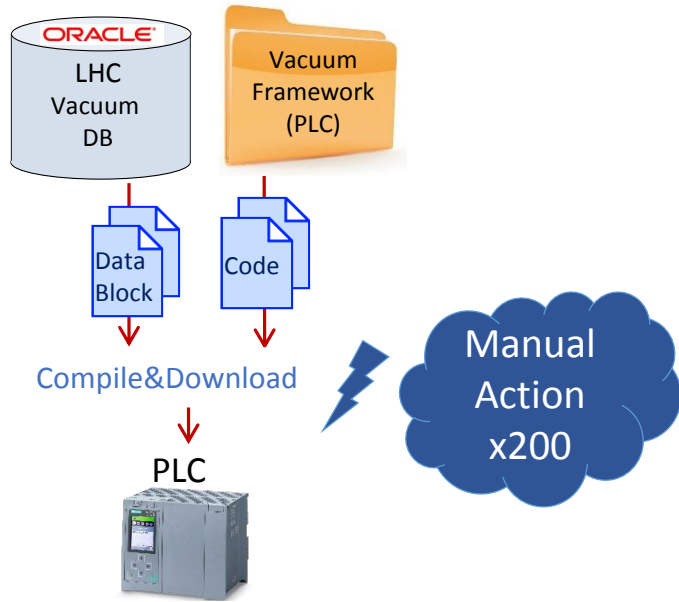


# The Top: New strategy for Pumping Group updates

Pumping groups have individual PLC controller. It is more than 200 PLCs that may require update during Technical Stops.

## New Update Process

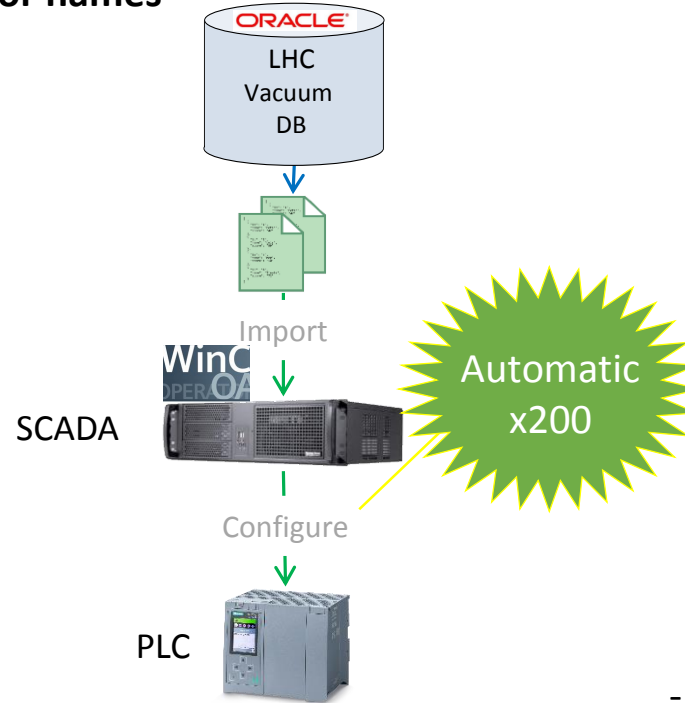
### Standard Update Process (before new strategy)



- Always need to **stop** and vent pumping groups, even if only changing equipment names or process parameters
- Update procedure always **very long**

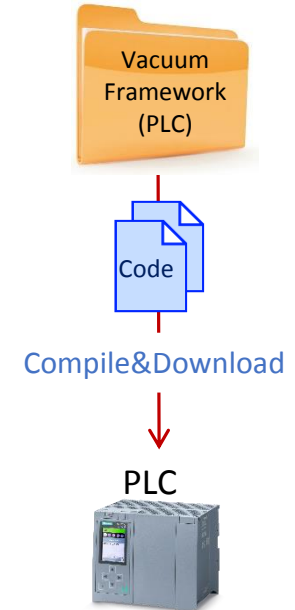
new strategy

### To change parameters or names



- **The most common** type of update during Technical Stop
- **No stop** of pumping
- **Fast** update

### To modify or deploy new functionalities

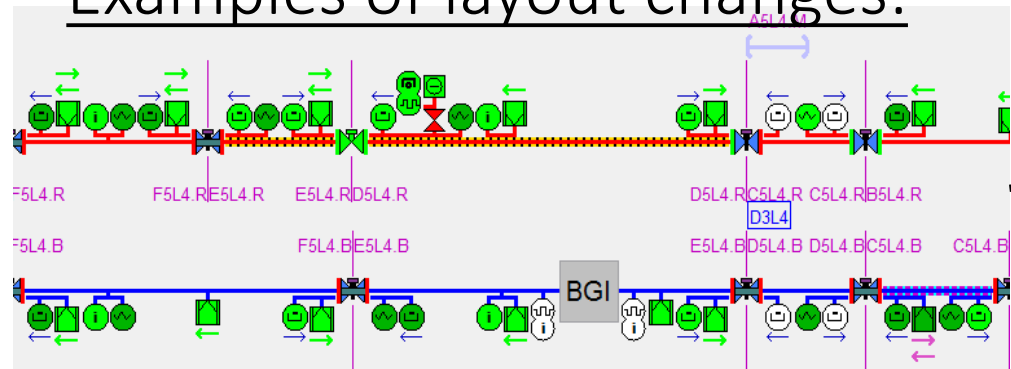


- **Rare during Technical Stop**, only when new functionalities or bugfixes are required
- Long and requires stopping the pumping groups

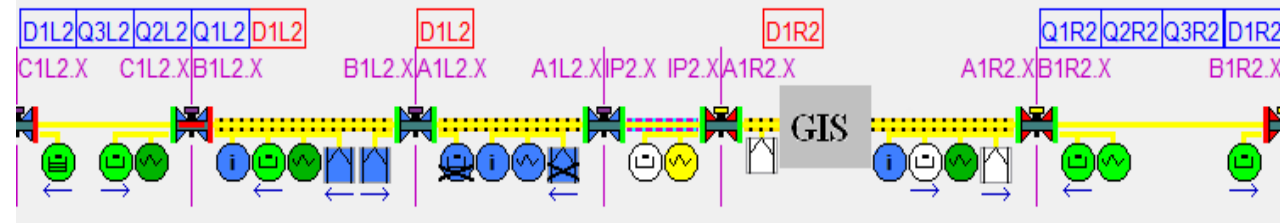
# ⚡ The Top: 40 new or updated sectors

Layout significantly changed in 40 sectors.

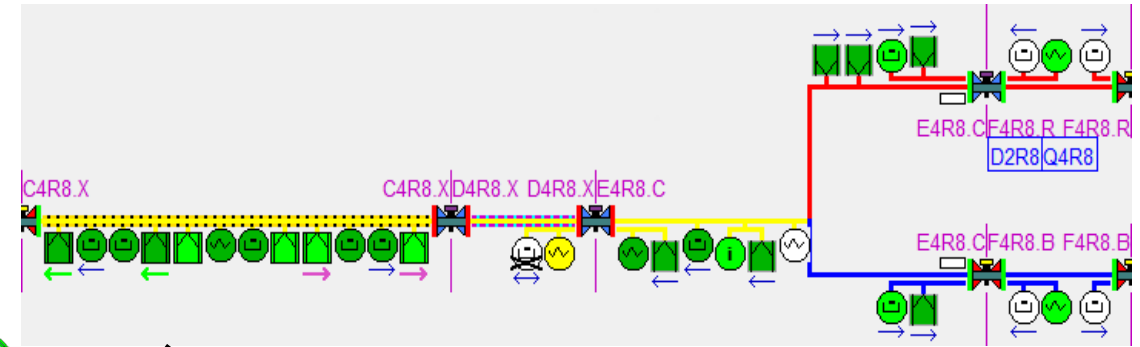
Examples of layout changes:



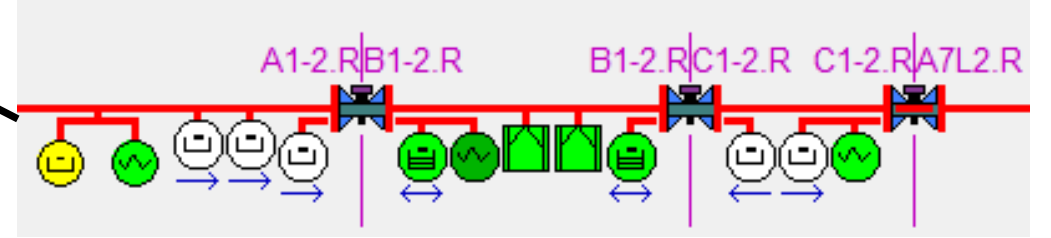
RF Point 4



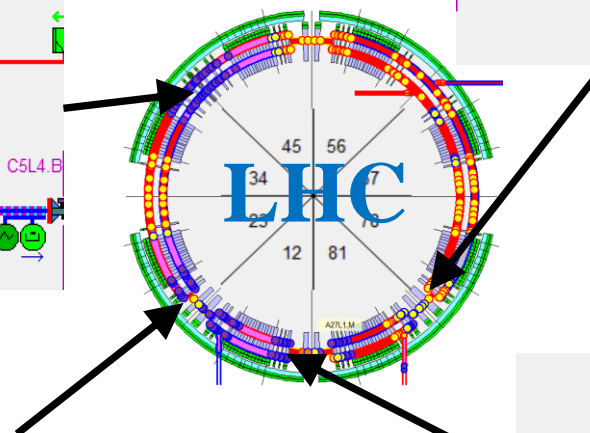
New layout around experiments



Recombination sectors Point2&8



ARC Beam Sectors A, B, C





# The Top: Predefined Notifications

Unique Parameter:



Notifications Group parametrisation

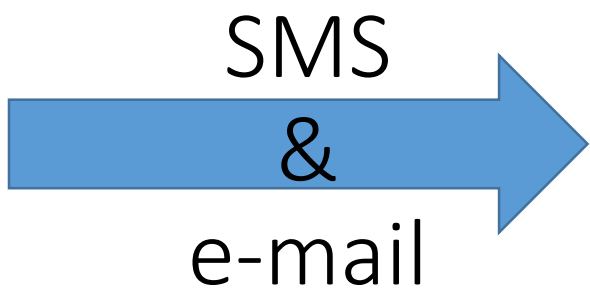
Notifications setup

ID	Owner	Name	Group Type	Sectors/MainParts	Recipients	State	State Msg
00008	mbrusemi	A4R8.X					
00009	mbrusemi	A6R8.B8R					
00010	ivevers	Point 7					Activate: empty list of equipment
00011	vazquezp	TCLD.11L2					
00012	vazquezp	TCLD.11R2					
00013	vazquezp	LSS7 - IP7 bake					
00014	kowens	A4R7					
00015	sblancha	test1					
00016	epage	C5 and BSL4					
00017	kowens	A4R7.R (intern					
00018	kowens	A4R7.R (intern					
00019	vazquezp	A4R7.R bakeo					
00020	epage	D5 and ESR4					
00021	vazquezp	BSR7 bakeou					
00022	vazquezp	A6L7.B					
00023	vazquezp	ASR7.B					
00024	epage	ASL7.R	NEG Activation	ASL7.R	+41754110761@mail2sms.cern...	Running All	

Buttons: New..., Delete, Edit..., Activate, Deactivate

Notification\_Script: Running | Notification\_Mode: Running | Current machine mode is SHUTDOWN

Buttons: Address book, Help, Close





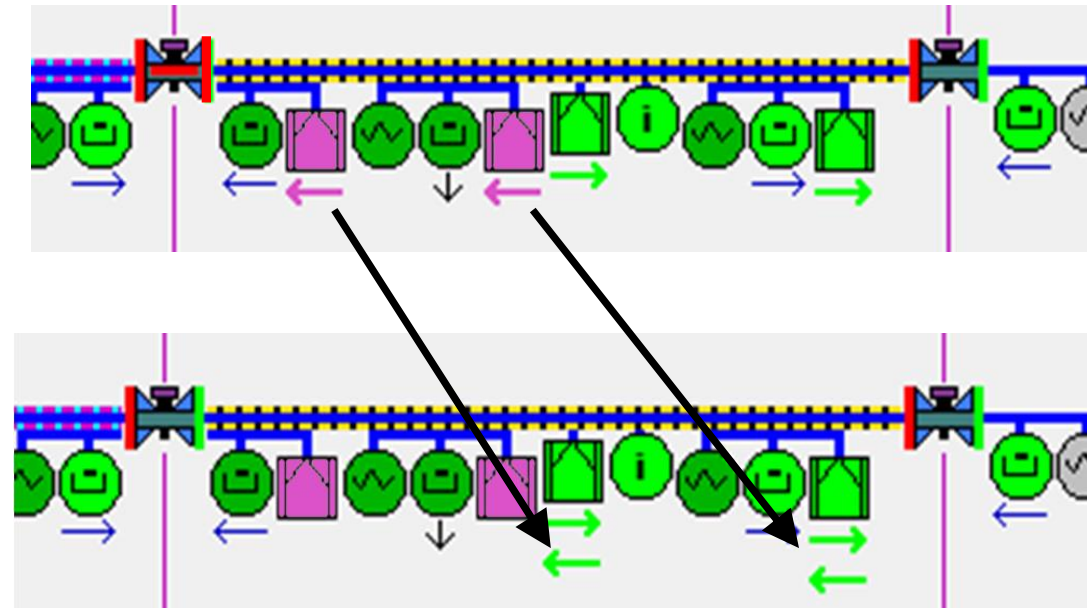


# The Top: Ion Pump control & Sector Valve Interlocks

- Sector valves are interlocked by Pennings and Ion Pumps.
- The **interlock** is represented by an “arrow” on the synoptic.
- For Ion Pumps the “**arrow**” is **animated** and **dynamic**.

With the full parametrizations of the interlock generated by the Ion Pump, it is possible to **change the source**.

In case of a pump **failure** an expert can remotely change the interlock source to a **valid** pump.





# Summary

- The Vacuum Supervisory application is (one of) the **biggest** industrial control application at CERN
  - 1.5 Million Data Points
  - More than 290 PLC for fixed equipment
  - More than 250 PLC for mobile equipment
- Access control policy improved
- **Standardization** of animation
- Successful **layout** updates:
  - Significant changes in 40 sectors
- Successful new **controllers' migration**
  - Fixed pumping group
  - Wireless mobile pumping group
  - I/O Gauge
  - Ion pump controller (Agilent)
  - Sector Valves controller
  - ...
- Successful deployment of **new and improved features**
  - Wireless pumping group integration
  - Sector Valve interlock animation
  - Notification system
  - ...

**All these efforts to arrive soon at the below machine state !**

