LRFF (LHC RF FINGERS) TASK FORCE: Kick-off meeting!

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- Web site: mandate, members, proposed modus operandi, useful documentation and presentations, meetings
- Reminder on RF heating => See for instance Beam-induced heating / bunch length / RF and lessons for 2012 (Chamonix2012) for more details
- Case of the VMTSA (double-bellow) modules in 2011 => New modules have been installed in 2012
- Conclusion and next steps

REMINDER ON RF HEATING (1/3)

Measurements on B1 by ThemisM and PhilippeB on fill # 2261





Coupled-bunch lines spaced by *M* f₀ ~ 20 MHz (for 50 ns bunch spacing) => It would be ~ 40 MHz for 25 ns

REMINDER ON RF HEATING (2/3)

- Consider now the case of a narrow resonance (trapped mode due to the geometry) => 3 parameters:
 - Resonance frequency => Assumed to be here $f_r = 1$ GHz
 - Shunt impedance => Assumed to be here $R_1 = 10 \Omega$



REMINDER ON RF HEATING (3/3)

 Power loss formula for the case of a (sharp) resonance (i.e. with only 1 line, assumed to be on top of a coupled-bunch line => Worst case)

$$P_{loss} = (M I_b)^2 \times R_l \times 10^{\frac{P_{dB}(f_r)}{10}}$$

Total beam current
$$P_{dB}(f_r) \text{ is the power in dB} \text{ read from the power spectrum at the frequency } f_r$$

■ N.A.: M = 1380, $N_b = 1.45E11$ p/b => $M \times I_b = I_{total} \approx 0.36$ A, $R_l = 10$ Ohm and $f_r = 1$ GHz => P_{dB} (1 GHz) ≈ -17 dB => $P_{loss} \approx 26$ mW

VMTSA (1/8)

10 modules (each of 2 bellows) in total in 2011. 8 bellows were found with defaults (see arrows below). 2 modules removed for 2012



VMTSA (2/8)

Typical default, DCUM 3259.3524

Left side

Side view (xray from corridor to QRL)

b) Metallic noise due to loose spring when hitting vacuum chamber

c) RF fingers falling due to broken spring

d) aperture reduced ?

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Spring was broken between May and November 2011 Vincent Baglin (LMC, 16/11/11)



VMTSA (3/8)

 Why? Is it an impedance problem? => Bench impedance measurements with 1 wire (and simulations ongoing)







VMTSA (5/8)

Longitudinal impedance can be deduced from S₂₁

$$Z_{l} = -2 Z_{ch} \ln\left(\frac{S_{21}}{S_{REF}}\right) \qquad S_{REF} = e^{-j\omega \frac{L}{c}}$$

=> Numerical application for the real part of the impedance

- Z_{ch} was measured and found to be ~ 270 Ω
- We use S_{REF} = 1

$$\Rightarrow Z_{l} = -2 Z_{ch} \ln\left(\frac{S_{21}}{S_{REF}}\right) = -2 Z_{ch} \ln\left(10^{\frac{S_{21}[dB]}{20}}\right) \approx 2 \times 270 \times \ln\left(10^{\frac{15}{20}}\right) \approx 930 \Omega$$

- Power loss: P_{loss} ~ 0.36² × 930 × 0.7 ~ 85 W for 1 beam and ~ 4 × 85 = 340 W for 2 beams (worst case)
- Conclusion: No impedance problem foreseen when the RF contacts are OK => 1st recommendation: Improve the RF contacts! And add ferrite to damp some possible resonances in case of problems...

Available ferrite from FritzC: 1) Dimensions: ~ 12 cm × 3 cm × 1 cm 2) Should be excellent vacuum-wise as they were used in the past in the AA 3) Total: 79 (+ 6 broken)

VMTSA (7/8)



VMTSA (8/8)

- 1st observations with a 1st version of the new VMTSA (with shorter RF fingers and ferrite plates):
 - Close the gap otherwise the resonance at ~ 200 MHz is still there!
 - Exact mechanism still to be fully understood and reproduced



CONCLUSION AND NEXT STEPS

- VMTSA
 - No impedance problem foreseen if "good" RF contacts
 - New VMTSA (with shorter RF fingers, ferrite plates and hopefully good contacts) have been installed in the LHC => Let's wait and see...
 - Meanwhile we will try and fully understand the resonance at ~ 200 MHz
 - What about smaller bunch lengths (probing higher frequencies)?
 - What about the transverse impedances? => Requires other (longer) bench measurements and other simulations...
- Next steps:
 - Start to review the design of all the components of the LHC equipped with RF fingers...
 - Summarize the past work and task force on the PIMs (and on other equipments)

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