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MICE: overview





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Layout of MICE hall

MICE Local Control Room



Upstream beamline

Target



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Linear drive:
Accelerates target into beam:
Acceleration 80g





Beam line: target

Successful test Saturday 15Mar08
 Parasitic operation of target established

Significant milestone



Beam line: second target

> Agreement with ISIS:

Two targets, one outside the beam should always have operated three times as ofter as the target in the synchrotron

Second target:

- To RAL 13th February and re-assembled in R78.
 - Unusual pulse-to-pulse variation.
 - ► Failed after ~600 pulses.
 - One coil (of 24) found shorted to ground & burnt out.
 - Internal ground not connected in Sheffield test!
 - Spare stator installed
 - New welded seals at Daresbury last week
 - Brought back to RAL immediately (untested.)
 - All electronics now at RAL.
 - Problems still exist so has now be taken back to Sheffield for further investigation. – see talk by Andy Nichols for latest news
- N.B. Stator currently in ISIS had done >2M pulses ok.
- ► Future:
 - Investigating better quality insulation (double layer?) with manufacturer.
 - Need new QA procedures for coil insulation.
 - Target plan will deliver second target to RAL 15May08

Upstream beam line:

Q1—Q3 and D1 installed, all services connected

Issues:

- Q1, Q2 power supplies damaged by water leak
 - Have been returned to Dan Fysik for repair
- D1 power supply 'blew' resistors in smoothing circuit
 - Spares to arrive from Dan Fysik today
 - Re-install and check source of problem ...and correct

Solenoid in position and packed with shielding



Beam line: refrigerator

Linde refrigerator has delivered required cooling power, but:

- Observed temperature dependence:
 - Diurnal, 'organ-pipe' modes, response to external fans
- Cause traced to compressor: the one supplied does not have sufficient air cooling and must be replaced
- Negotiating with Linde: issues:
 - Schedule:
 - Require to install transfer line in the present shutdown
 - Contractual:
 - Contract says we have to accept frig based on test with dummy load, not with solenoid
 - I believe we can negotiate a 'middle way'

Beam line in DSA:

▶ D2 and Q4—Q6 installed and services connected Issues: D2 on temporary water: ▶ Piping now in place ■ Q4—Q6: ► Water flow rate needs to be increased



Downstream beam line

 Q7 and Q8 installed and aligned
 Q9 to be installed this week:

 Issue: water manifold weeps, braze to be effected in MICE Hall
 Water and electrical services to be connected in present shutdown



Infrastructure: magnetic shield walls

Walls (in purple)

- South wall more complex
- Design complete
- North wall design underway

Mezzanine (in lime green)

- Closely coupled to walls
- Part of Hydrogen system
- Needs to be built together with walls

Installation to be complete June/July



Infrastructure: false floor

▶ Need to decouple the RF project from the false floor.

- Andy Moss (DL) has agreed to lead the RF work and produce a costed plan for the remaining RF project
 - There is just enough space layout of the RF components under the false floor
 - Based on a 'worst case' proposal for RF distribution from DL





MICE Diffuser (Oxford)

Parts cutting goes on (~60% completed) Stand is designed



Rolling Platforms

Largest (1&7) for the trackers

- In production
- Use air skates to facilitate movement

Remainder:

- Design #2,3,4,5,6, ready 12th April
- Not required until Step III and later

Considering modest re-designed to save cost with only a small loss of functionality

Delivery of #2,3,4,5,6 currently scheduled for 11th July



MICE steps



Step I

Beam to end of DSA from end of present shutdown (27Mar08):

Instrumentation:

Beam monitors, beam counters, CKov, ToF0

Beam to end of beam line (April – May):

Additional instrumentation:

► ToF1 and KL



Phase II (comment)

Phase II requires:

- Three absorber/focus-coil modules
- Two RF/coupling coil modules
 - ► See D.Li's talk
- Infrastructure:
 - Hydrogen deliveryRF power
- Positive indications on focus-coil procurement (UK responsibility)
 Planning of implementation of Phase II infrastructure has started

Conclusions:

MICE is inching its way to first data

- Beam line essentially in place, but:
 - Many problems:
 - Water services
 - Interlock issues
 - PPS

Problems are being solved

MICE Operations Managers in place and making a big difference

- Planning for Phase I data taking and Phase II construction advanced and advancing
- Looking forward to emittance measurements this year