HERA Coordination Meeting

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Progress and Status of Commissioning
Plans until the end of 2001
Preliminary Plans for 2002 Running

Recommissioning

- No overwhelming problems so far...good progress, we are more or less on schedule
- new superconducting magnets are working well, but some problems with *quench protection* and *lead cooling* needed and still needs optimization
- initial commissioning tough:
 - many improvements" on the whole system, everything needed to be re-commissioned,
 - vacation time,
 - summer-time cooling and power problems
 one of the new IR quadrupoles had a short-cut coil (installation mistake) => 3 weeks more time needed



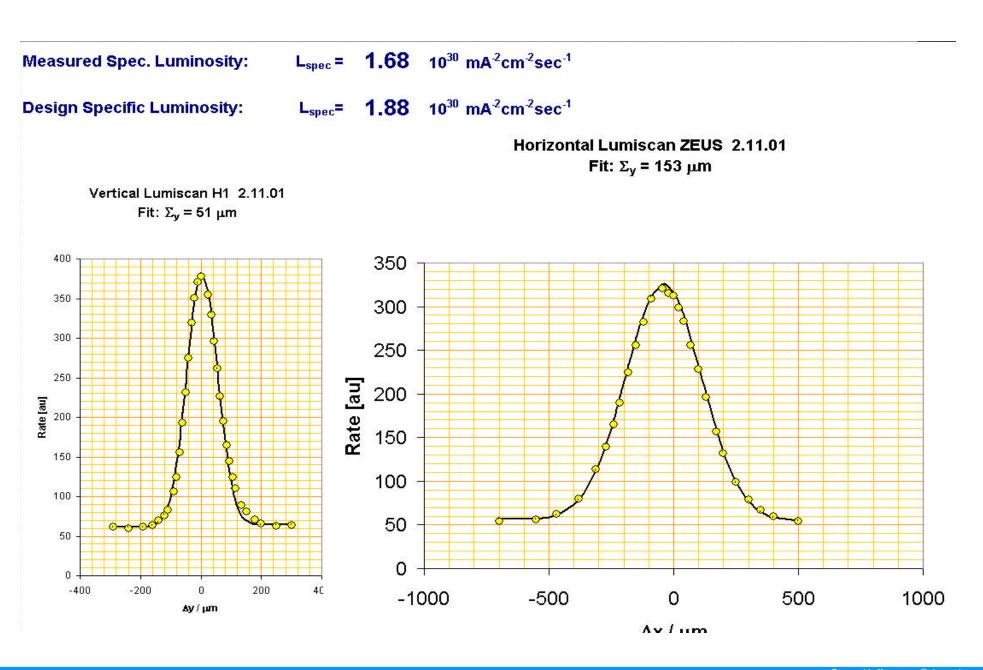
	HERA Commissioning Schedule 2001					
Beam injected accelerated routinely		Begin	Duration/Days	End		
	Startup 2001	26-Jul-01	1.0	27-Jul-01		
	Establish Beam Operation p	27-Jul-01	17.0	13-Aug-01		
Done, but needs some more iterations to improve optics	Maintenance day	13-Aug-01	0.7	13-Aug-01		
	Establish Beam Operation e	13-Aug-01	33.0	15-Sep-01		
	Explore Optics	15-Sep-01	8.7	24-Sep-01		
Done, coupling ok, no bad surprises	Maintenance day	24-Sep-01	0.7	25-Sep-01		
	Explore Optics	25-Sep-01	6.7	1-Oct-01		
	Turn-On Detector Fields	1-Oct-01	17.7	19-Oct-01		
	Set up & Optimize Collisions	19-Oct-01	11.3	30-Oct-01		
	Investigate Synchrotron Radiation	30-Oct-01	20.0	19-Nov-01		
	Break for Experiments	19-Nov-01	3.0	22-Nov-01		
	First Luminosity Runs	22-Nov-01	12.7	5-Dec-01		
	Polarization Tuning	5-Dec-01	7.0	12-Dec-01		
	Turn on North/South rotators	12-Dec-01	10.0	22-Dec-01		
	Maintenance Period	22-Dec-01	25.0	16-Jan-02		
	Startup 2002	16-Jan-02	3.0	19-Jan-02		
	Polarization Tuning	19-Jan-02	11.0	30-Jan-02		
	Start Luminosity Run	30-Jan-02	1.0	31-Jan-02		



Commissioning Results

- Beam Handling: Both Beams can be routinely be injected with reasonable injection efficiency, accelerated to the top energy and brought into collisions
- Beam optics is satisfactory for leptons, for protons optics is still being investigated
- Detector fields are compensated by skew quadrupoles, the coupling is under control, the mechanical motion due to magnetic forces on the s.c. magnets can be handled without problems, ZEUS can close its calorimeter with stored e-beam
- Luminosity: Beams collided in H1 Specific Luminosity close to design (within 10% at ZEUS ~)
 - **Backgrounds:** Beginning of understanding of **SR**





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Concerns

- Proton beam lifetime in collisions sometimes poor 10h
 - revisit proton beam optics
- Background rates are quite large, not sufficient understanding
- more synchrotron radiation and beam-based
 alignment studies
- Beam intensities are only low so far
 - NEG pumps in the IR will be activated now



Present Status

- All new hardware works satisfactorily
- commissioning proceeds like planned, some problems are easier, others are more tough than expected
- November power breakdown caused a lot of damage, expect to suffer for the next few month
- large effort will be necessary to bring the two beam to full intensity and to deliver luminosity runs with good conditions and high intensity



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Stop Operations: Friday, Dec 21	Startup 2002	16-Jan-02	3.0	19-Jan-02
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Restart January 14			· · · · · ·	



Plan for 2002 Running

- Start up January 16
- First Polarization Studies?
- Luminosity Runs Start end of January
- Need 2 days of Machine Studies every week (4+1 shifts)
- Plan to turn to electrons if e+ running works well, earliest possible date in April
- Regular maintenance days on every first Tusday of a month
- Running until December 2002

