## HERA Coordination Meeting March 2005

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## Beam Currents in the 2005 Luminosity Run

60 bunches in dec, 120 bunches in Jan-Febr, 150 bunches in March

### Proton beam currents

up to 8.3 10<sup>10</sup> per bunch Limitations: injectors

#### e-Currents

Stagnated since Febr.14

so far little from increased number of bunches

Limitations:

- techn. RF problems,
- operational issues

#### **Further plans**

Keep increasing e beam currents and eventually switch to 180 bunches



# Peak- and Specific Luminosity

With larger proton beam currents per bunch and larger total currents

- Specific luminosity reduced
- -Peak Luminosity stagnated

Reasons:

- larger p-emittance,
- larger p-beam blow-up
  more attention paid to operational issues

Better agreement between H1 measurements and calculations from beam parameters



### Luminosity Production: Operational Efficiency



Operational Statistics dominated by technical faults

Technical faults are especially an issue at areas with critical support





# Luminosity Production



Comparison with 2005 p-e+ Luminosity production



## Backgrounds

Background conditions from halo protons more critical in 2005 compared to 2004

### Reasons:

- Larger luminosity, smaller e-Beam sizes, less beam-beam blow-up of electrons
- higher sensitivity to small defects
- probably a damaged BU coil in HERA SR 65m
- Additional effects from halo electrons (ions, dust particles

### Counter measures so far:

- Comprehensive diagnostics and maintenance on magnet power supplies (quite unsuccessfully)
- Alternative collimator tuning
- Orbit stabilization HERA-p put into operations
- Lengthy collimator adjustment procedure
- beam-scraping
- Re-adjustments of collimators
- Frequent bump- and collimator tuning

### Solutions

Fix the BU -coils (shutdown)

## Polarization



Polarization 50%-55% → well optimized

Strong beam-beam effects  $\rightarrow$  colliding bunches only 30%

Counter measures under discussion and under preparation

→Voght

### e-Lifetime Effects



March Operation: Frequent sudden reduction and sudden recovery of electron lifetime, fortunately rarely: reduction to below 5h for the entire run

- •So far we do not have sufficient statistics for systematic assessment
- •There are effects which can only be explained by dust trapping
- •So far they are rare
- •With more bunches filled, the probability is expected to rise



# Trapping of particles in the beam

Previous studies indicate: Dust particles trapped in the beam (switched harmonic oscillator: if the lens becomes too strong (e-bunch density too high) or the distance between the lenses becomes too long (bunch distance, abort gaps etc), there is no stable trapping (over-focusing)

Ion stability: H+ ions trapped stably in the beam for  $1 \cdot 10^{10}$  electrons and no abort gap in the beam

For full beam intensity and 1  $\mu\text{sec}$  abort gap can trap only very heavy ions or dust clusters

Narrow band of stability (very nonlinear oscillator, nonlinear resonances)

Particles are only stable for small amplitudes inside the beam

→ Fortunately the probability of trapping a particle is not too large

(for HERA II just subcritical)

## **Technical Issues**

- Redundancy of HERA Cyogenic Plant
- BU Magnets
- Operational Concerns

### Redundant HERA Cryogenic Supply



#### This scheme was not applied since:

- It is too intricate and it takes too much time, experts not available
- Cannot afford interruption of Cryogenic supply of the VUVFEL cryo system

## **BU** -Magnet Update

•First spare coil will arrive from Efremov in May 2005 (despite delays in Cupper delivery by supplier)

• Most of the coils needed in shutdown (12) arrive July/August 05, the rest until the end of the year (so far as planned)



# Operations:

- In general quite smooth
- Problems with operational mistakes if large deviations from routine operations
- Recent problem with orbit stabilization



Last Wednesday:

Sudden (with 45 sec) increase of GI NR7 temperature to 95°C

Problem was analyzed and understood:

Due to a repair of an IR BPM, larges differences between reference and Orbit measurements

➔ Counter measures discussed and in progress

## Leak in SR 11m



- 2 minutes after beam dump
- No unusual heating of the beam pipe
- Fixed by tightening the flange e-11m
- Expected to become leak again in the near future: two days to fix, +4 days to pump and activate NEG Pumps

# Conclusions

- HERA electron-proton operation proceeds well,
- luminosity production satisfactory
- Conditions for experiments not without problems but in general tolerable
- Polarization with electrons and strong beam-beam is critical
- Major concern are the overall reliability, the availability and the support

### Further Plans

- Keep increasing the beam currents
- Increase luminosity production
- Continue to make operating more efficient