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IRRAD The New 24GeV/c Proton Irradiation Facility at CERN

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Outline



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- **PS East Area Irradiation Facilities until 2012**
- New PS East Area Irradiation Facilities from 2014
 - Proton Facility (IRRAD)
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- IRRAD Proton Facility Infrastructure & Equipment
- Beam Characterization & Dosimetry Measurements
- Summary



Proton Irradiation Facility: what for? SAIDA

Radiation damage studies on:

- materials used around accelerators/experiments
 - structural material, glues, pipes, insulations, thermal materials, ...
- electronic components
 - transistors, memories, COTS, ASIC, ...
- semiconductor and calorimetry devices
 - silicon diodes, detector structures, scintillating crystals ...
 - equipment sitting in the inner/middle layers of HEP experiments
- Test and development of prototypes / final assemblies / electronics equipment before installation:
 - performance degradation after long exposure/ageing (TID, NIEL, ...)
 - functional degradation of electronics (SEU, latch-up, ...)
- Test and calibration of components:
 - **dosimeters**, radiation monitoring / measurement devices



HL-LHC Upgrade Requirements



□ Radiation levels for <u>LHC Experiments</u> phase II upgrade (2025)



04/06/2014

inner detectors (trackers): > 10¹⁶ 1MeV_{neg}/cm²

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pixel system is 1.4×10^{16} cm⁻² and 7.7 MGy at the centre of the innermost barrel layer. For the

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CERN Irradiation Facilities until 2012 AIDA



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CERN Irradiation Facilities from 2014 SAIDA

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Primary 24 GeV/c proton beam (IRRAD1, IRRAD3, IRRAD5, ...)

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C (50cm) - Fe (30cm) - Pb (5cm) 'target' (IRRAD2)



Proton Irradiation Facility (2012)







IRRAD1 Shuttle & IRRADx Tables



IRRAD1 Shuttle «small» samples





IRRAD3 & IRRAD7 Tables «big» experimental setups

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Irradiation Experiments











Former IRRAD facilities in numbers ...

- from 1999 to 2012 (no beam in 2005)
- more than <u>8300</u> "pieces" irradiated (**~650 per year**)!
- about <u>5800</u> dosimeters (Al foils) measured!











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Towards a New Combined EA Facility SAIDA

2012: CERN management agrees on East Area Facilities upgrade

- □ 19 Nov. 2012: first technical meeting on upgrade
- **26** Nov. 2012: last day of operation for the DIRAC experiment
- □ July 2013: dismantling DIRAC & old IRRAD1 and IRRAD2 Facilities
- □ Nov. 2013: removal of IRRAD2 target & beginning of construction
- **10** Oct. 2014: first pilot beam in the new EA facility for commissioning





EA-IRRAD upgrade project: Joint effort of many CERN groups. PH-DT, EN-MEF, EN-STI (core teams), HSE and EN-HDO (Project Safety), DGS-RP, EN-CV (ventilation), EN-HE (transports), GS-ASE (access control), BE-BI and TE-CRG (IRRAD cryogenic system), ...



New East Area Facilities Layout



- serving two facilities → improved PS cycle economy = increased beam availability!
- Optimised layout:
 - shielding, ventilation, more space for installation and handling of samples, etc. (= improved safety!)

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New IRRAD Proton Facility

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IRRADx Remote-Controlled Tables







IRRAD Zones Equipment





3 tables per IRRAD zone

- 9 irradiation tables operational from Oct. 1st 2015
 - 6x RT irradiation (*IRRAD 3,7,9,13,17,19*)
 - 2x water-cooled cold boxes down to -25°C (IRRAD 5,11)
 - 1x dedicated to the cryogenic setup (IRRAD 15)

Pre-installed cabling infrastructure

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- 4 Patch-Panels installed along IRRAD
 - twisted-pairs, coaxial, power HV/LV, ...
- space for custom user-cabling
 - optical fibers, etc..

Cables length from

~13m to ~20m



Cold & RT Irradiation Experiments

RT Irradiation Setup

Users-made supports





Small samples support (cardboards)

Complex Irradiation experiment (LHCb SciFi prototype)



Tenerative of

Cold boxes from AIDA (QMUL/Sheffield, UK)



DUTs installed under the box cover lid





Chiller Units Thermo-fluid: *SilOil*

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IRRAD1 Shuttle System







Cryogenic Setup IRRAD15





Setup for irradiation in cryogenic conditions (1.8K/4.2K) with L-He

- Main user "CryoBLM experiment" (BE-BI)
- Transfer line "embedded" in IRRAD shielding



Picture: Nov. 2015

- P&I Diagram
 - Manual refilling
 - > Temperatures between 1.8 K and 4.2 K

Figure 6.16: Detector modules mounted on the support plate and ready for cooling down and irradiating.



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Proton IRRAD Infrastructure



Storage Area

- 2x shielded zones for cool-down and storage at room and low temperature
- 1x workspace equipped to handle and characterize irradiated equipment
- dedicated cabling infrastructure from workspace to counting room IRRAD1B







Proton Beam Parameters



Beam dimension

- several optic variants possible on T8
- standard Gaussian: 12x12 mm² (FWHM)
- from 5x5 mm² to 20x20 mm² (FWHM)

Beam intensity

- p⁺ are delivered in "spills" of ~3.5×10¹¹ p
- number of spills/frequency depends on CPS
- Typical figure (high intensity)
 - 3 spills per CPS of 36s.
 - ~1×10¹⁶ p cm⁻² 5days⁻¹ (12x12 mm²)
 - <u>~4x more than the old facilities</u>
- Maximum figure (design): 6 spills per CPS
 - ~1×10¹⁷ p cm⁻² 4days⁻¹ (5x5 mm²)
- Year 2015 (average): variable CPS + PS efficiency
 - ~1×10¹⁶ p cm⁻² 10days⁻¹ (12x12 mm²)



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Beam Steering & Dosimetry



Beam Profile Monitor (BPM)

- Metal Foil Detectors
- Poster Session on Thursday 6:30pm:

Maurice Glaser et al.,

"The Beam Profile Monitoring System for the IRRAD Proton Facility at the CERN PS East Area"

BPM Display (web-based)



²⁷Al(p,3pn)²⁴Na
²⁷Al(p,3p3n)²²Na
1x Nal spectrometer (+/- 6%)
²⁴Na, half-life 15h, Eγ = 1368.53 keV
2x HpGe spectrometer (+/- 2%)
²²Na, half-life 2.6y, Eγ = 1274.54 keV







Radiation Background & Proton NIEL 🛞 AIDA

Monte Carlo Simulations (FLUKA)

- Radiation Protection Optimization
- Evaluation of IRRAD Facility background



| Zone 4 | Radiation Type | Energy | Intensity (cm ⁻² h ⁻¹) |
|--------|----------------|-------------------|---|
| | protons | ~ 200 MeV (peak) | ~ 5×10 ⁷ |
| | pions (+) | ~ 300 MeV (peak) | ~ 3×10 ⁷ |
| | pions (-) | ~ 300 MeV (peak) | ~ 3×10 ⁷ |
| | neutrons (all) | thermal – few GeV | ~ 2.5×10 ⁹ |
| | neutrons | > 20 MeV | ~ 3×10 ⁸ |



for **4×10¹³ p/cm²/h** (std. spot size) Total Dose in Zone 4:

~0.13-0.15 Gy/h (air KERMA)

Dosimetric Measurements



- Zone 4
 - Total Dose ~0.10 Gy/h (Film HD-810)

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$$\Phi_{eq}$$
 ~**3.8×10⁸ n_(1MeV)/cm²/h** (Si diodes)

- Zone 5
 - Total Dose: about x2 lower
 - good agreement with simulations

□ Non-Ionizing Energy Loss (NIEL)

- Experimental determination of hardness factor
 - Silicon PAD detector samples







Summary



New IRRAD Proton Facility is now completing its first year of operation

- Extensive description of the new infrastructure and irradiation equipment
 - matches the requirements for High Luminosity upgrades
- To be continued:
 - tuning/improvement of beam conditions
 - beam characterization & radiation background

□ IRRAD Proton Facility in 2015

- 25 user irradiations completed
- 13 different experiments / CERN groups
 - ~300 samples (active/passive)
 - RT & cold box; cryogenic setup running
- 7 irradiations ongoing (few days left!)

Contacts:

- URL: <u>www.cern.ch/ps-irrad</u>
- e-mail: <u>irradiation.facilities@cern.ch</u>
- Information / news / irradiation request form



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EA-IRRAD: aerial view of radiation shielding



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IRRAD Facility Control Room (left-hand side) and access point to the irradiation area (right-hand side)

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Mixed-field Irradiation Facility (2012)

Secondary particles in a cavity (IRRAD2)

- 24 GeV/c proton beam on a C/Fe/Pb target
- Small volume (max ~30×30×30cm³) behind DIRAC
- Spectrum & flux of **n**, p^+ , π^+ , π^- , γ simulated & measured
- ~1×10¹³ n_(E>1MeV) cm⁻² 5d⁻¹ @ 50cm from beam axis





