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**Present :**

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**1. Linac 3 (M. Vretenar)**

- The culprit for the low-energy tail of the beam spectrum has been identified as the aging stripping foil. Why an old stripper foil gives more straggling still remains to be investigated. (matter deposition, geometrical deformation...). It is reminded that the stripper is a half-micron thick carbon foil..
- The RFQ power is back to its nominal level.
- Six stripper foils have been installed on a "marguerite".
- All diagnostics are now in an operational state.
- The source lead sample has been changed. It will be changed again just before the SPS run.- U.Ratzinger/GSI will come next week to
  - a) optimise the field distribution in the IH tanks (in parallel with operation) and
  - b) measure the maximum field (needs dedicated time).
- Installation of a new 100MHz amplifier for the RFQ.

**2. PSB (E. Wildner)**

- The performances are  $900/1829 \times 10^7$  charges before/after a sublimation.
- Beam in ring 3 has a shorter lifetime (20ms) as compared to the other rings (30ms); this may be due to a vacuum leak.
- Detailed studies of last year's statistics showed no clear correlation between the high intensity beam for Isolde and the PSB Pb performance. More statistics will be analysed during next run.
- RF group has been working a lot on new beam control components, now installed on C08.
- The Q-setting has been optimised.
- Sublimations will take place very often during the physics run.

**3. PS (R. Cappi)**

- A lot of work has been done on the proton beam at 13GeV/c, which simulates the fully stripped ions sent to SPS. This showed a transmission (from circulating in PS to circulating in SPS) of about 90%, and no transverse blow-up.
- The lead ion beam has been very low until now, peaking at  $7 \times 10^9$  charges/shot extracted from the PS ring, with transverse emittances of ~1.8 and ~1.3  $\pi \text{ mm mrad}$ , respectively horizontal and vertical.
- Remains to be done : Energy fine tuning, transmission check-up, and optimisation of the stripper thickness (currently 1 mm).

#### 4. SPS (E. Brouzet)

- A new supercycle has been set up, to allow for an intermediate flat-top at 26GeV/c for debunching/rebunching. This should improve the structure of the slow extraction spill.
- All transverse settings (except for extraction, due to lack of time) have been achieved with the proton simulation beam.
- Leptons have been optimised on this new supercycle.
- Ions have been injected from the four PS cycles, and accelerated to the 26GeV/c flat-top, but with poor efficiency due to lack of MD time.

#### 5. Discussion and short-term programme

- The SPS will request ions in parasitic mode (on the "third lepton" cycle) as from this Monday, September 25th. The aim is to finish optimising injection by the end of week 39, to be able to use the remaining MD time for LHC studies which have been delayed.
- The main objective is to inject and accelerate ions in the SPS during the dedicated PS/SPS MD in week 41.
- The stripper thickness optimisation tests will be done during week 43 or 45.
- LEAR will use protons during the next PS MD (week 41)
- A tentative programme is being sketched. (added to these minutes)

STATUS OF LEAD SOURCE BEAM IN LINAC 3

(B)

(A) WORK DONE RECENTLY:

[some planned, some unplanned]

1. TAIL IN THE ENERGY DISTRIBUTION

- due to the stripper foil

[in past 14 months - previous record 2.5 m. - average 1.5 m.]

2. RFG LEVEL BACK TO NOMINAL [10 ÷ 20% current increase]

- RF amplifier (GSI field) close to saturation

3. NEW STRIPPER FOILS IN [intervention yesterday 21.9]

- 6 foils, prepared with 2 different techniques

4. REPAIRS: a DAMAGED SEMINIS

- all diagnostics ok.

5. SOURCE:

- high downtime last week due to the frequent water interruptions [→ need hours to reform the source!]

- even changed 21.9 morning due to failure  
[+ new lead sample]

- very stable since!

(B)

PROGRAMME BEFORE THE PH. RUN

1. WORK ON THE LH-TANKS

[by U. Ratzinger / GSI, wk. 39 Tu/Tu.]

- a. optimise field distribution inside the tanks  
[acting on the "fixed" tanks] aiming for:
  - { higher beam transmission
  - { smaller emittance growth

Note that beams can be delivered to PSB → PS → SRS in parallel with these adjustments

- b. measure of maximum field reachable in the tanks  
[lower priority - no beam handle]

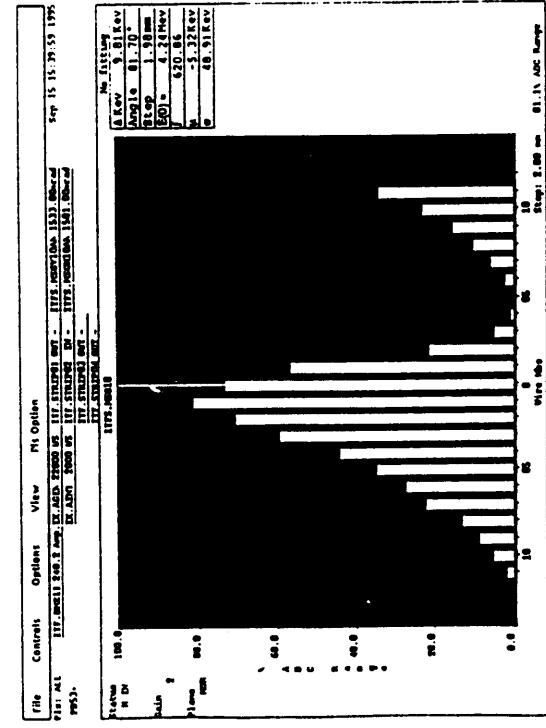
2. INSTALLATION OF THE 250 MHz

AMPLIFIER (FOR THE RFA)

- installation at bldc 3 and tests on a dummy load in week 40 (?)
- if the tests are positive and the amplifier arrives in time, we will have to decide which amplifier to use for the physics run.

## PB53+ Energy Profile At Linac 3 (after TR3)

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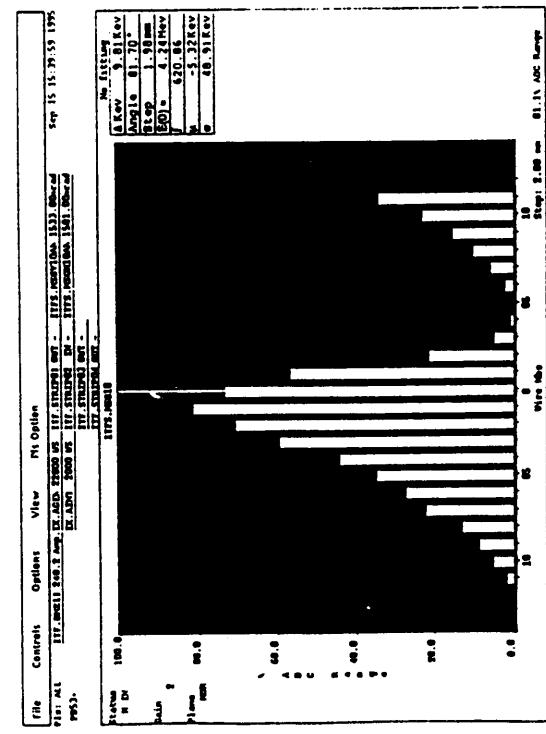


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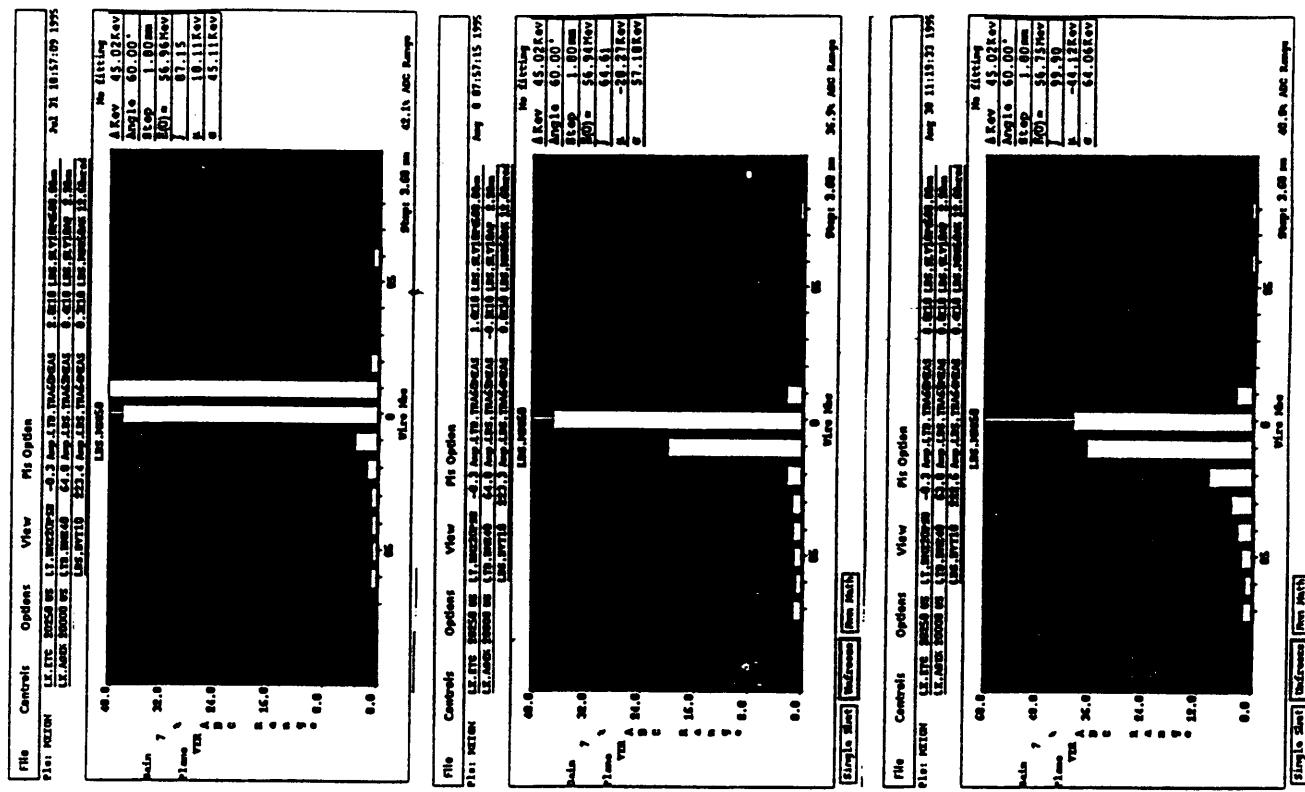
## LEAD BEAM ENERGY PROFILE AT BOOSTER INPUT (LBS LINE)

3.8 keV/wire

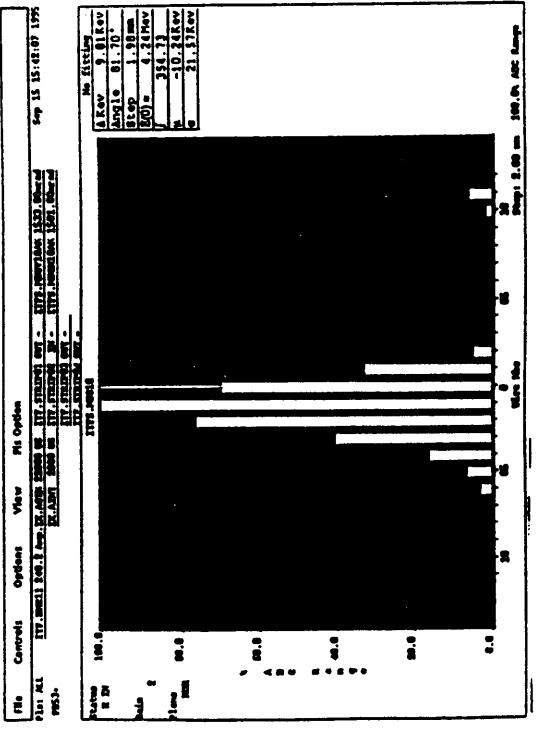
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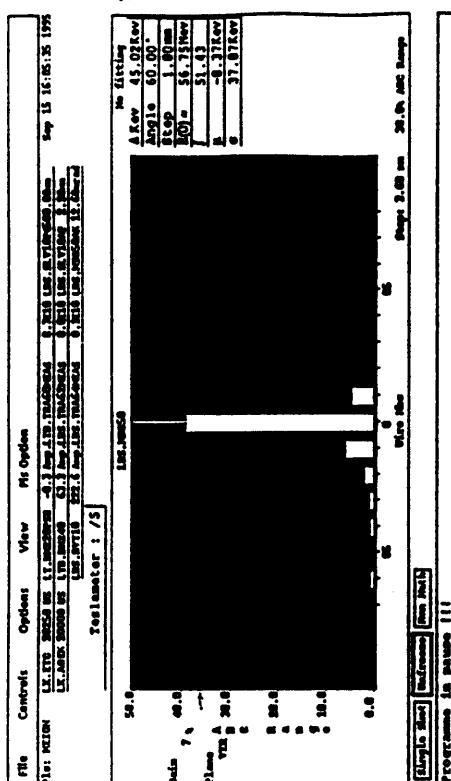


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programme la puissance

## Booster

Pb53+

Reported by E.Wildner

The 16/8 we had some kind of record for the ion intensities. Because of the heavy influence of the vacuum, we measure the Booster intensities before and after flashing of the sublimation pumps, to have comparable references. See fig 1. Unfortunately we do not have a hardcopy of the vacuum situation from this date. Last year's record is still slightly higher.

## VACUUM

The vacuum in general is comparable to last year, with the the problematic region 14L1-15L1,1L1.

Sublimation is not done except during MDs (once per 2 hours) to give reasonable intensities to the PS.

Ring 3 has a particular problem, see fig. 2.

For ion intensities around 1E10 charges accelerated, the ISOLDE beam has no measurable influence on the vacuum or the accelerated beam intensity. Tests were made for proton intensities from 1.6 to 2.8E13. Tests to be repeated at 1.5E10 ion charges.

Statistics from last year show similar results. Fig. 3,4,5

**Conclusion:** for the moment no a priori reduction in the ISOLDE beam is justified to save ion intensity.

## OPTIMIZATION

Optimization of Linac helped a lot: increase in RFQ amplitude gave ~ 40% more beam in the injection channel. Change of stripper foil gave a spectrum without tails.

Linac energy and dispersion variations are difficult for the booster to cope with. These variations cause problems for the booster RF, with difficulties with GFAD programming etc. When the Linac energy changes, the steering in the BI line seems to be "lost", and a lengthy and difficult optimization procedure has to start.

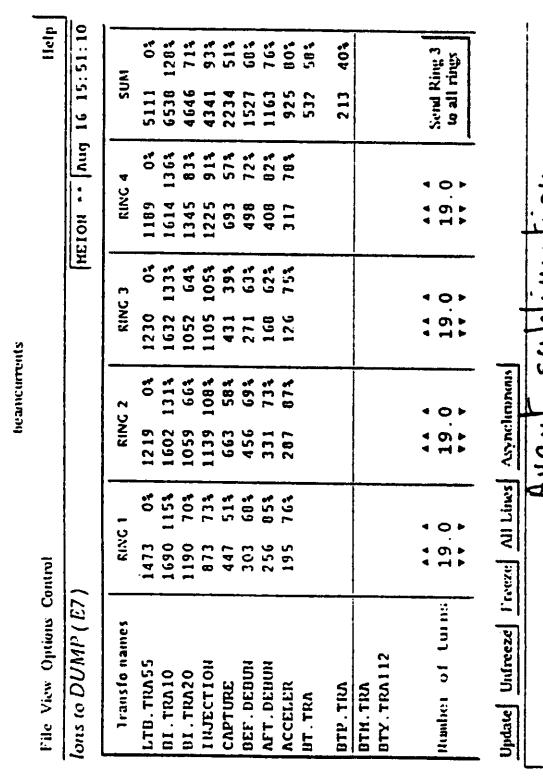
Steering with screens difficult. Nominal positions on screens do not give the best performance. The shape of the beam on one of the screens is different from last year.

Q-setting has been corrected to correspond to the proton bare machine setting (gave a very slight gain). The ring dependent correcting coils normally used at injection for high intensity beams could not be taken away (total intensity went down) because of differences in the four rings.

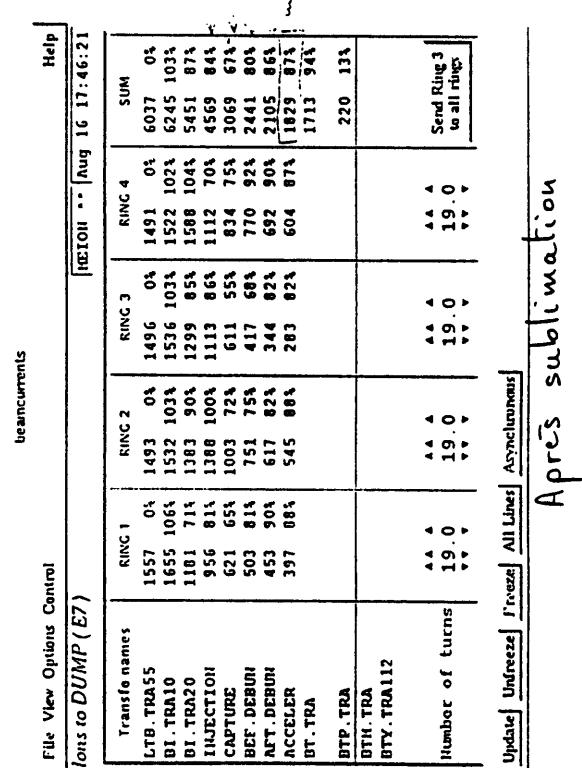
Around 10% gain in accelerated intensity could be observed when the number of turns was increased. This experiment will be repeated with refined adjustment of the injection conditions (Bdl, capture etc.). The total intensity during the experiment was 1E10, maybe the effect is lesser at higher ion intensities.

Today's situation: see fig. 6,7

+191.



Avant sublimation



Après sublimation

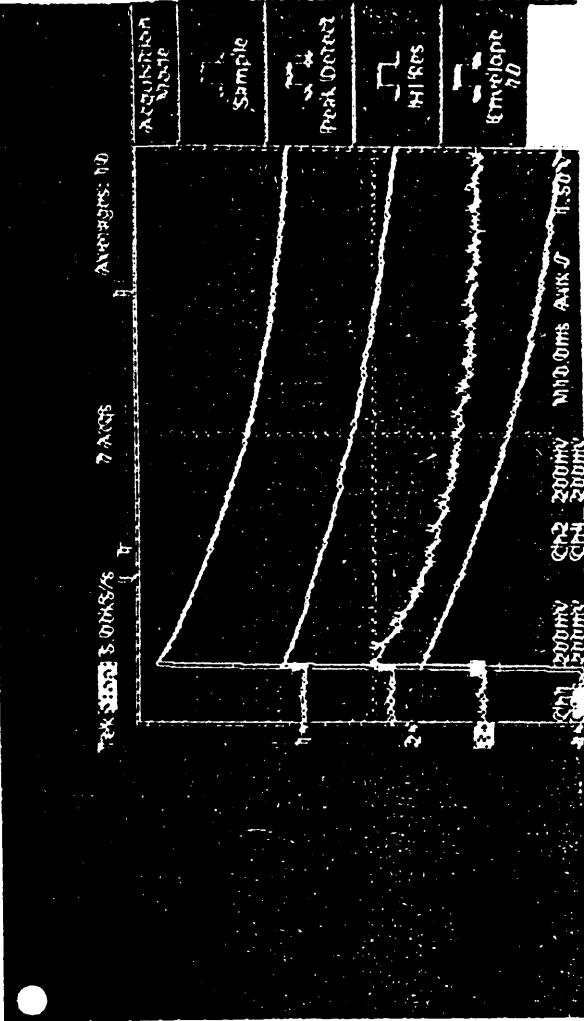
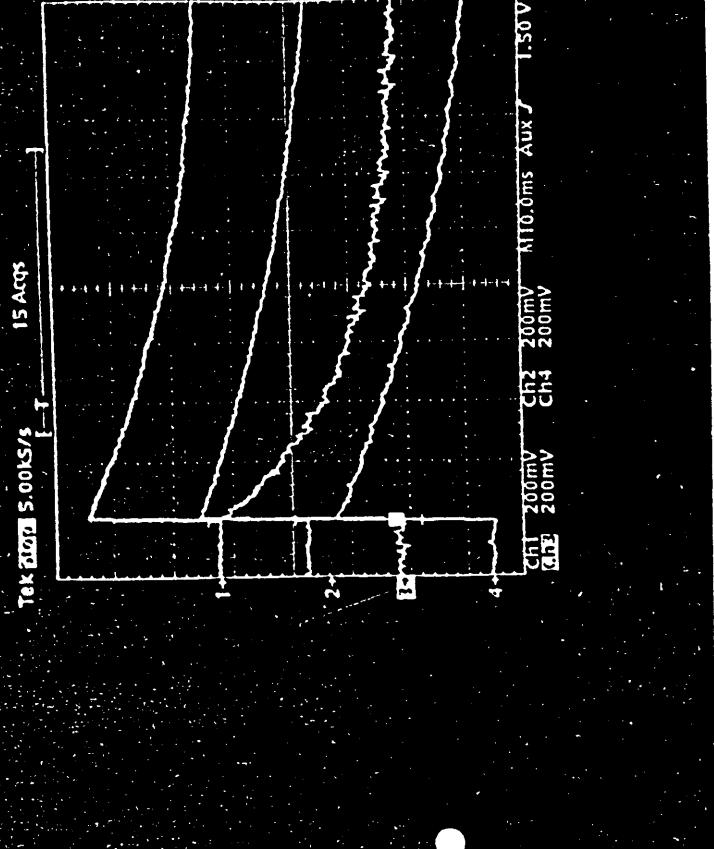


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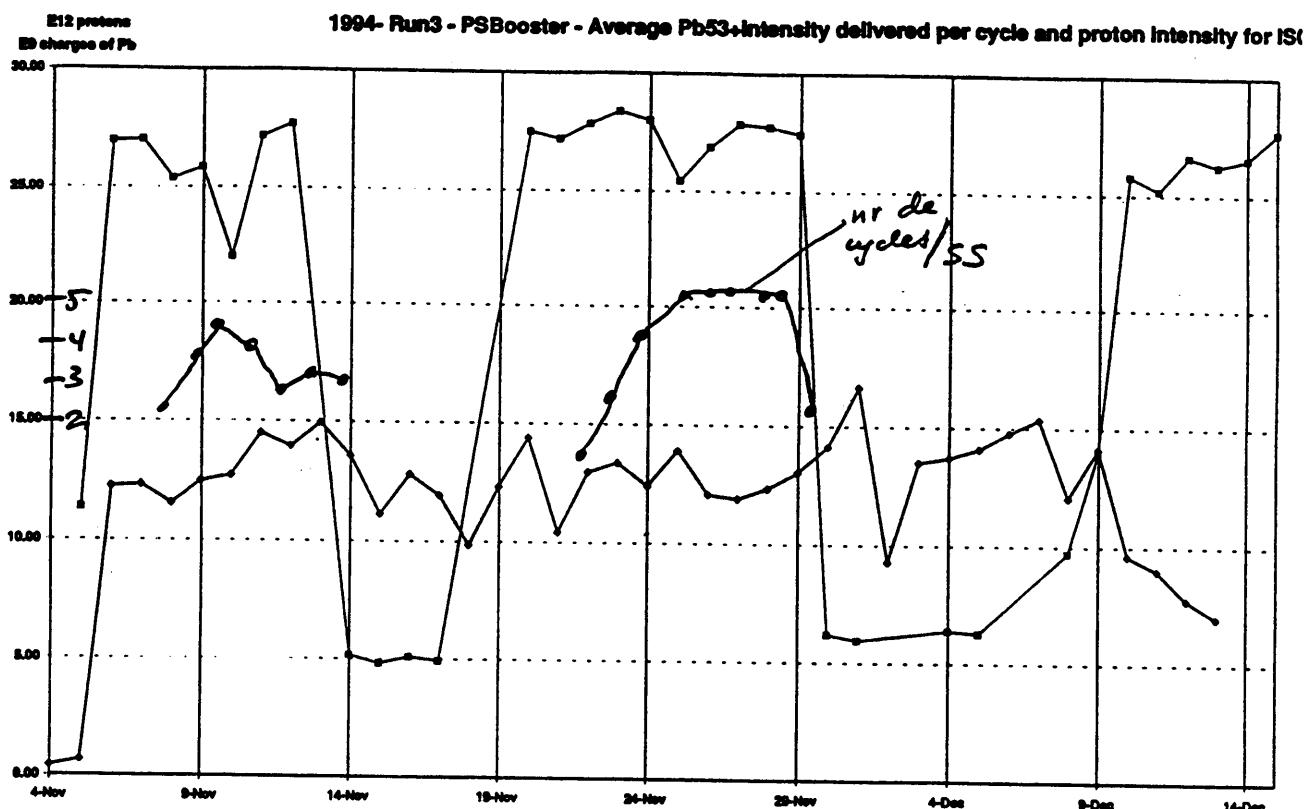
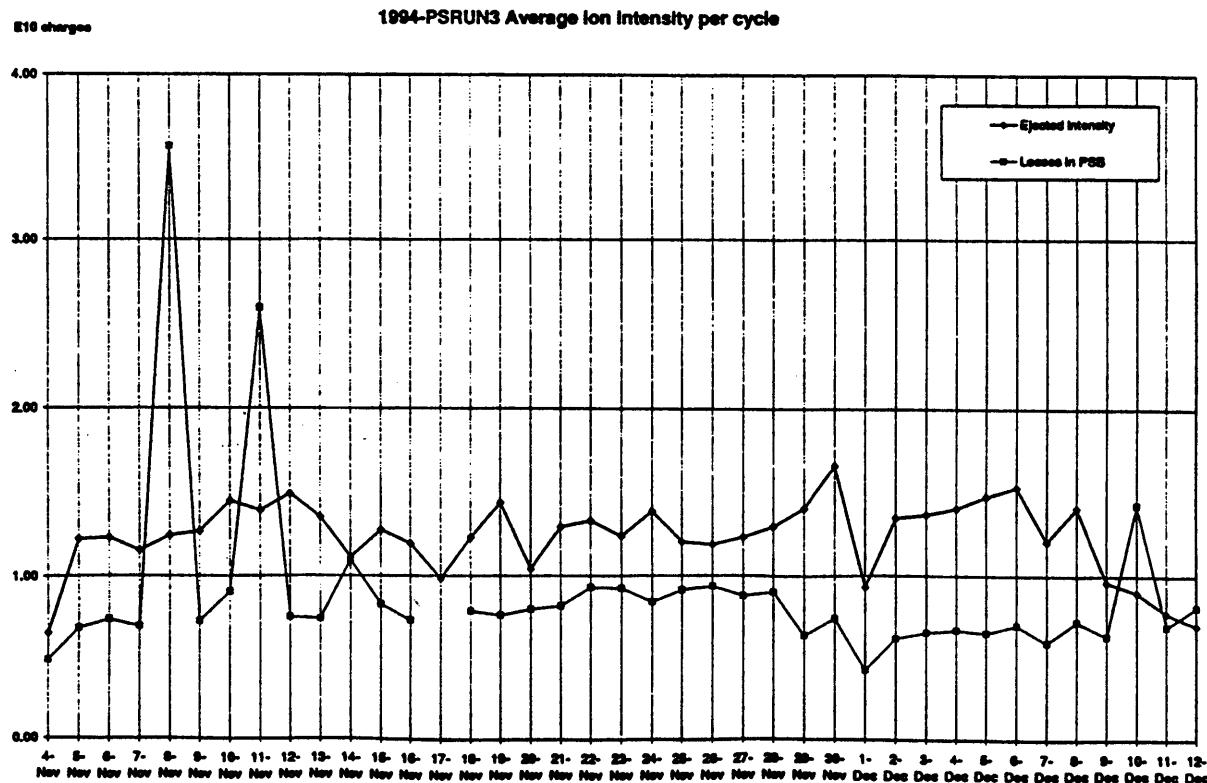


Fig. 3

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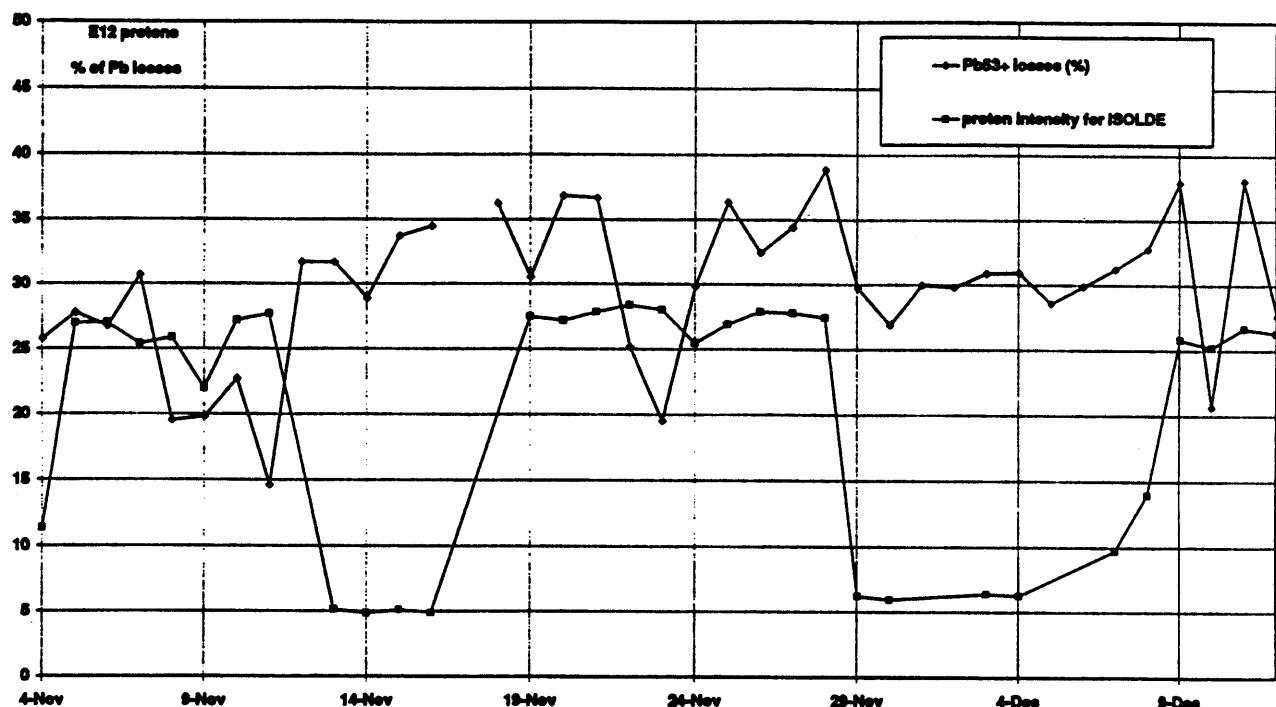
Fig 4



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Fig 5

1994- Run3 - PSBooster - Percentage of Pb53 losses in PSB and average proton Intensity per cycle for ISOLDE



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Fig 6

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BI.TRA10	2755 266%	1417 ****	1448 ****	1480 ****	7100 742%
BI.TRA20	1800 65%	1558 110%	1478 102%	1407 95%	6243 88%
INJECTION	1200 67%	903 58%	987 67%	713 51%	3804 61%
CAPTURE	648 54%	583 65%	497 50%	450 63%	2179 57%
BEF.DEBUN	448 69%	470 81%	318 64%	358 80%	1595 73%
AFT.DEBUN	378 84%	381 81%	200 63%	307 86%	1266 79%
ACCELER	323 85%	319 84%	156 78%	261 85%	1059 84%
BT.TRA					1043 98%
BTM.TRA					-3975 ****
BTY.TRA112					320
BTY.TRA					226
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Name	Status	Pressure
BT10.VGP1	On	3.90E-
BT10.VGP2	On	6.10E-
BR.VGP14L5	On	2.30E-
BR.VGP15L1	On	2.30E-
BR.VGP16L1	On	2.00E-
BR.VGP16L5	On	1.00E-
BR.VGP17L1	On	1.00E-
BR.VGP17L5	On	7.40E-
BR.VGP21L1	On	6.10E-
BR.VGP3L1	On	7.60E-
BR.VGP5L5	On	4.20E-
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BR.VGP13L5	On	1.80E-
BR.VGP14L1	On	7.10E-
BT10.VGP1	On	3.40E-
BT20.VGP1	On	7.00E-
BTF.VGP1	On	8.20E-
BTM.VGP1	On	2.80E-
BTY.VGP117	On	1.20E-
BTY.VGP149	On	1.80E-
BTY.VGP201	On	3.20E-

User ISOGPS (ot/r.) before ~~M~~ ~~N~~

Subirating

Fig 7

## Final performance

### beamcurrents

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LTB.TRA55	935 0%	-121 0%	-115 0%	-100 0%	599 0%
BI.TRA10	2762 29%	1484 *****	1481 *****	1489 *****	7216 *****
BI.TRA20	1689 61%	1439 97%	1455 98%	1415 95%	5998 83%
INJECTION	1192 71%	981 68%	898 62%	788 56%	3860 64%
CAPTURE	785 66%	743 76%	502 56%	577 73%	2606 68%
HEF.DEBUN	579 74%	616 83%	328 65%	509 88%	2032 78%
APT.DEBUN	514 89%	517 84%	284 86%	451 89%	1765 87%
ACCELER	442 86%	443 86%	234 83%	381 84%	1500 85%
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Linac :DSC communication error 15 mn after sublimation.....

Name	Status	Pres:
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BT10.VGP2	On	6.1
BR.VGP1G5	On	1.6
BR.VGP1SL1	On	1.9
BR.VGP1GL1	On	1.5
BR.VGP1GL5	On	7.7
BR.VGP1L1	On	8.7
BR.VGP1L5	On	5.3
BR.VGP2L1	On	3.6
BR.VGP3L1	On	6.1
BR.VGP5L5	On	3.3
BR.VGP7L1	On	5.1
BR.VGP9L1	On	2.9
BR.VGP11L1	On	5.5
BR.VGP12L5	On	4.0
BR.VGP13L5	On	1.00
BR.VGP14L1	On	4.9
BT10.VGP1	On	3.30
BT20.VGP1	On	7.00
BTP.VGP1	On	7.90
BTM.VGP1	On	2.70
BTY.VGP117	On	1.20
BTY.VGP149	On	1.80
BTY.VGP201	On	3.20

### New prototype Tuning and AVC modules installed for Ring 4.

Since the MD on Monday 11. September, new prototype AVC and Tuning modules (developed by Mauro Paoluzzi) have been installed for the C08 cavity and left in operation to gain operational experience and detect any possible adverse effect on beam stability at high intensity. It is scheduled to change all 4 rings to this new system during the Jan./Feb./ shutdown in 1996.

Change of start pulse for BA4.GFASC08/RF from BX.W10 to BX.STBD, new functions.

# STATUS OF PROTONS IN PS

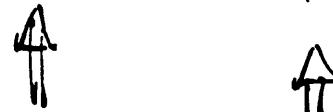
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## \* SIMULATION P BEAM @ 13 GeV/c

- Beam characteristics :  $I_p \approx 1 \div 5 \cdot 10^{10}$  p/p  
 $\xi_x = 4\%$ ;  $\xi_y \approx 15\%$ ;  $\alpha_H \approx \pm 2 \cdot 10^{-3}$

## • PS-SPS TRANSMISSION REQUIREMENTS

$$\frac{I_p \text{ SPS}}{I_p \text{ PS}} \approx 0.90 \pm 5\%$$


(PS extr.  $\eta \approx 95\%$ , SPS extr.  $\eta \approx 95\%$ )

	PS(PS)	TT2(GeV)	TT10(GeV)	SPS(PS)
$\xi_x$ 20% uncorrected	1.2 ± 2%	1.19 ± 2%	1.15	1.2
$\xi_y$ 20% uncorrected	0.27 ± 2%	0.27 ± 2%	0.4	0.28 ± 1

NO TRANSV. B.U. !

## \* PS + BEAM

$$I_p \approx 2 \div 7 \cdot 10^9 \text{ ch/pulse extracted}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_x &\approx 1.8 \text{ uncorrected} \\ \xi_y &\approx 1.3 \text{ r} \end{aligned}$$

extraction  $\eta \approx 90\%$ , stripping  $\eta \approx 90\%$  !

To BE DONE :

- ① FINE TUNING
- ② CLOCK UP OF TRANSMISSION
- ③ STRIPPER OPTIMIZATION

## LEAD ION BEAM STATUS IN SPS

### **Summary after week 37 MD**

- SU of a new supercycle (as compared to 1994; same length of 19.2 s) :

- . new ion cycle (same length of 14.4 s)  
with intermediate flat-top at 26 GeV/c to improve beam structure
- . followed by 2 lepton cycles (1.2 s) for LEP filling
- . 2 cycles (1.2 s) at the end for possible proton and lepton MD's

- With the proton beam :

- . SU and steering of TT10 and injection  
good CPS-SPS transmissions in intensity and transverse emittances
- . Transverse SU of the new ion cycle  
tunes, chromaticities, orbits, but no extraction SU (lack of time)

- With the lepton beams :

- . SU of the positron cycle
- . SU of the electron cycle up to the middle of acceleration

- With the ion beams : (during the last few hours.....)

- . Injection of the 4 CPS cycles, with very low intensity  
total of  $\sim 5 \cdot 10^9$  finally obtained
- . Poor transmission on flat-bottom, beam off-center
- . SU of RF capture, transmission even worse
- . Acceleration of very little beam to the 26 GeV/c flat-top
- . not enough intensity to try debunching and recapture

**Another MD session is necessary**

Short term program (i.e. Week 39, 40  
+ MD of Week 41)

W 39:

Mon 25/9  $\beta \rightarrow SPS$ ,  $\beta_b \rightarrow PS$   $I_{PSB} \geq 10''$

Tue 26/9  $\beta_b \rightarrow SPS$   $f/16'' \text{ stop}$

Wed 27/9  $\beta$   $\approx$   $a$

Thu 28  $\beta$   $a$

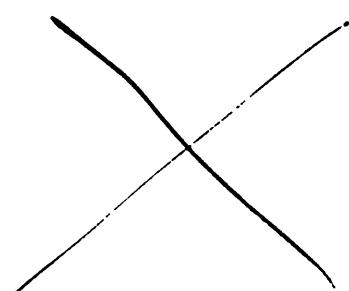
Fri 29  $\beta$   $a$

W 40

Mon 2/10

Tue 3/10

Wed 4/10



W 41 BS-SPS MD

We 11/10  $\beta_b \rightarrow SPS$

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Long term program (Run 3)

STRIPPER OPTIM. ON W 43 OR 45

## Distribution

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