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PROVISIONS FOR COLLIDING BEAM PHYSICS RUNS DURING NEXT ISR RUNNING-IN PERIODS

ISR running-in activities have been scheduled from May 9th until July 11th in 3 three-week periods, corresponding to the regular periods of PS operation. The schedule is attached for information.

Provisions for colliding beam physics during this time were discussed in a meeting between Prof. Schopper, NP Division Leader, Dr. Sens, ISR Coordinator, and Prof. Johnsen, Dr. Bonaudi and the undersigned, for the ISR department, on May 12th.

Two main criteria were used in making a decision, based on the experience of the previous machine studies and physics runs:

- 1. A careful preparation of the stacks is essential in order to obtain beams with adequate lifetime and to reduce the background as much as possible. During last runs, these preparations were in fact started long before the time actually foreseen in the programme, and it is now clear that about two hours of machine time have to be set aside for beam preparation before each colliding beam run. In addition, luminosity measurements and optimization require comparable amounts of machine time. Finally, some extra ISR running-in time has to be devoted to experiments on beam gymnastic and scraping directed to study how to improve background conditions and flexibility of use for physics experimentation.
- 2. It is very important for efficiency in machine running-in work that a number of runs be entirely devoted to this work, so that tests on machine performance may be carried out without any restrictions resulting from the fear of spoiling the operating conditions for physics. It has been noticed on several occasions that hesitation to dump a "good" stack made at an early time seriously hampered machine experimentation.

In addition to the above criteria, the necessity of avoiding interference with installation work for future experiments and the limited availability of operating staff were taken into account.

It was observed that the sequence of runs in the second week of each period offers the opportunity for 2 eleven-hour runs for physics to be inserted between the machine experiments. The first of these runs, which comes after a 20-bunch run, can provide beams of the highest possible intensity, the second one is to be done with 4-bunch stacks, which are limited in intensity to about 1 A, but have particularly low background. It was agreed that another physics run will be scheduled during the third week of each period. This run will be limited to 7 hours during week 22, where it will be placed after run 58, in order not to interfere with installation work already planned. On the contrary, the runs which will follow runs 72 and 84 will last 12 hours.

Each physics run will be preceded by about 4 hours of machine running time, devoted partly to luminosity measurements and partly to beam preparation. In addition, it is foreseen to spend 6 more hours of running time on machine studies directly aimed at improving the experimental conditions.

The overall balance for the "regular" three-week periods turns out to be as follows:

- PS preparation for ISR	6 h
- ISR running-in studies	54 h
- ISR studies for experiments	6 h
- Beam preparations and	
luminosity measurements	.12 h
- Colliding beam runs for	
physics	34 h

During the colliding beam runs, the beams will be kept circulating continuously, since no refill would be possible. It is also planned to avoid beam manipulations during this time, both because of the lack of experienced staff and because of the unpredictable effects of beam perturbations on background. All necessary adjustments should, therefore, take place during the beam preparation time.

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