

US LHC Accelerator Research Program

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SLAC RC Status Report

5 July 2010 LHC Collimation Working Group Meeting Tom Markiewicz/SLAC



Activities Since 6/7/2010 Status Report

- Pierre Gander finishes torque tests June 11
- Much more testing of rotation drives and actuators





Alignment and parallelism excellent







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Rotation drive needs a "pawl" (ratchet)

Parts developed, prototyped, fabricated, installed & tested





1mm Rhodium balls in RF race PROBLEMATIC

Smooth rotation and low contact resistance an art not a science so Abandon this plan

- Bearings now mechanical only
 - Race on 1st jaw rebuilt
 - Rebuild on 2nd race begins July 6
- RF contact through a ~6 cm arc of wavy Rhodium coated BeCu
 - Same <0.1mOhm contact resistance as previously measured
 - Contact at beamline





Final (?) Part: Mounting bracket

Purpose

- Hold the Rhodium coated foil
- Restrain the RF foil from rotating & maintain curvature
- Hold a thermistor

First plastic prototype made & tested; 2nd version plastic prototype ready July 6.

Jaw Open



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RC Tasks to Complete

LARP

- Complete rotation drive tests in lab
- Rebuild both RF races on 2nd jaw for smooth operation
- Switch out all stainless screws for molybdenum screws
 - Fabricate the final 4 "wavy arcs" for contact resistance & Rhodium plate
 - Fabricate 4 mounting brackets for arcs, thermistors & RF foils
- Final cleaning:
 - Acetone & alcohol for all parts
 - Chemical cleaning of upper vacuum tank vessel
 - Bellows already vacuum fired & leak checked
- In a real clean room
 - Weld bellows to jaw supports & to baseplate
 - Reassemble jaws on baseplate
 - Vu tubing now bent down & brazed to feedthroughs
 - Final alignment & test of all parts
- Weld vacuum tank & test rotation drive
- Vacuum bakeout & final test of rotation drive
- Immobilize, protect, install shock monitors and do paperwork for shipping



Politics & Collaboration Topics

- Letter of support for SLAC participation in Phase II Construction project will (has?) been sent from SLAC Associate Lab Director for Accelerators to Steve Myers
- Much dialog with DOE for increased financial support
- DOE Review July 15-16

Need to discuss with relevant people:

- SLAC Participation in RC Prototype testing at CERN after delivery
- Decision on nature of future prototype work
 - Support existing prototype with instrumentation (laser micrometer, etc.)
 - Additional HW for HiRadMat testing???
 - Non-vacuum, non cooled Glidcop jaws with next generation support & rotation system
 - Second prototype???
 - Exactly What? Lessons Learned; Design changes
 - Why, Where, When?



Reference Material Follows

