The Muse

DSG Weekly Report – August 26, 2015

This week on the weekly report will have an epigraph.

This Latin proverb was mentioned to me by a person I admire and respect.

Verba Volant Scripta Manent

Antonioli, Mary Ann:

Hall B

DC

- Examined test data and completed spreadsheet for 48 signal cables.
 - **★** 6/252 bundles completed.

HDICE

Attended status meeting.

DSG

Researched and ordered label maker.

Arslan, Sahin:

Hall B

DC

- Working on DC signal cables testing.
 - Measured propagation velocity (1.778 ns/ft.) and delay skew between channels of a single cable (~2.5 ns).
 - * Cables of a bundle have been grouped in 1 foot bins (e.g. 65' to 65'11").
 - * Max time difference between any two channels in a bundle could be as big as: 1.8 ns +2.5 ns + 2 ns (measurement error) = 6.3 ns

SVT

- Worked with Brian on R4 cable management
 - * Wrapped 1/2" Kapton tape around screws (to protect lacing cord from screw threads and also to serve as a guide to indicate how far to thread the screws into the tube.).
 - ★ Wrapped and tied lacing cord around the screws to hold cable.
 - ★ Added transit knots to prevent cables moving horizontally
- Fabricated 20' RG 174/ U cable with two lemo connectors (DAq trigger cable)
- Rerouted some cable bundles, labeled cables (LVR4M14, LVR4M16, and LVR4M19), and made ground cables to ground modules.
- After all work was completed, vacuumed work area.

HDICE

Attend status meeting

Bonneau, Peter:

Hall B

HDICE

- Updated commands and descriptions needed for program development.
- Determined:
 - **★** CT-Box is not working in "Oscilloscope" mode.
 - ★ When issued an "OFFSET" command, unit gives an **error** readback.
 - **★** Issue of OFFSET:ZERO command freezes Daq.
 - **★** Error code appendix is needed. Appendix not in pre-release manual.

- **★** Internal buffer commands not available in current command set.
- ★ Error "CT-box Not Ready" is always on. "Reset" has no effect on error.
- * Triggering commands, pinout of the I/O connector, logic levels and trigger timing not available in the pre-release manual.
- CAENels was notified and is working on these issues.
- Ordered replacement computers; delivery 9/11/15.

SVT

- Revised +5V distribution system in Hardware Interlock System's chassis.
 - Voltage drop (~0.9V) across internal circuit breaker was causing up to 9% humidity measurement differences between EPICS and Hardware Interlock values.
 - Changed breaker to in-line fuse assembly.
 - * After revision, humidity level differences are less than .5%
- Commissioning and testing system stability of the Hardware Interlock System using all temperature, humidity, and flow sensors.

Hall D

- Examined status of slow control systems on a daily basis.
 - * Reviewed problems with FADC in BCAL.

DSG

Researched and ordered equipment.

Butler, Dave:

Hall B

Gas system

• Worked on filtering and averaging of MKS 223 capacitance manometer.

Hall D

- With regards to update of voltage tap reading method on the solenoid magnet:
 - * Working on the updated PLC programming that may be required and also acting as backup to Brian on the PXI changes.
- Moved PLC control computer from a rolling cart in the counting house to a rack in the equipment room; wired the computer to the main UPS system.
- Changed PLC program for the newly added convectron gauges.
 - * From mTorr to Torr per request from Tom Carstens.
- Attended weekly FDC/CDC meeting.
 - * Discussed grounding issues with the CDC and possible new gas mixture for the FDC.
 - * Meeting minutes: https://halldweb1.jlab.org/wiki/index.php/Minutes-8-20-2015
- Attended tech meeting to discuss preparations for cooling the magnet.
 - * After cooling begins will have to reinstate interlocks that were defeated during warm period (vapor cooled lead threshold, helium tank level alarm and helium differential pressure alarm).

Eng. Brian:

Hall B

SVT

- Connected R4 cables to L1C and performed gain scans on all modules.
 - * Replaced bad pulser cable on R4M4.
- Finished, with Sahin, cable management using lacing cord.
- Tried taking cosmics with CODA, but way to many errors and no triggers (despite triggers being generated in NIM crate [AND from SD]). Debugging underway.

Hall D

- Researched and bought a new PXI controller.
 - **★** To save data faster than 5kHz while hopefully remaining below 50% CPU (currently ~35%).

Jacobs, George:

Hall B

Gas system

- Working on DCGAS PID controls development.
- Meeting on LTCC window deformation test with Bob M, Maurizio U, David A, Doug T
 - **★** LTCC window deflection test (@0.15" of water) completed; results within specs.
 - **★** Started C₄F₁₀ recovery process.
 - Switched from MKS 250 controller to MKS 146 controller to recover gas using sub atmospheric pressure in the control tank.
- Discussion with Bob M on moving the LTCC gas system controls to L1 forward carriage
- Meeting on TORUS DC gas manifolds with Bob Miller and Paul Hanson.
 - * Need seven manifolds.
 - **★** Specified materials and final form factors, and discussed locations.
- Participated in Hall B TDG meeting.
 - ★ Discussion on quantity of C4F10 to procure; to start need at least 1000 KG
 - Discussion on new location for LTCC gas system components on forward carriage

Leffel, Mindy:

DC

- Repaired signal cables:
 - * R1S4 AX 3: re-laminated one end and replaced two connectors, two wires had been cut and cable connectors had bad connections.
 - * R1S4 ST 4.4: re-laminated and replaced one damaged connector.
 - * R2S5 AX 10.3: replaced one connector, bad connection
- Researched coax cable, RG174 vs RG316, and their connectors.
- Researched label maker and labels to be used for labeling cables.

SVT

• Wire bonded FSSR2 chips to U3, U4 and started wire bonding U1 to HFCB 2-P4 (had to remove and replace U4 due to a wire bonding error).

Mann, Tina:

Hall B

DC

- Trained with Sahin on testing signal cables.
- Assisted Sahin in testing two 65' signal cables.

Gas system

- Met with Mark on LTCC cable changes
- Researched tools needed and sent to Mary Ann to order

McMullen, Marc:

Hall B

Gas System

- Completed noise study of the PID chassis.
 - * Scope measurements were taken of the noise generated:
 - By MKS 223.

- By chassis and powered separately by a Tenma bench supply.
- Measurements suggest no difference in the source of the power.
- Provided a chassis ground connection for all the chassis connections by choosing an
 unused contact on the connector and adding a short conductor which terminates to the
 chassis via a mounting screw.

LTCC

- Fabricated two cables for the LTCC pressure test stand.
 - Cables will be used to connect MKS 146C cluster gauge vacuum measurement controller and control system.
 - **★** Installed both cables on the forward carriage with George.

Sitnikov, Anatoly:

Hall B

DC

- Tested:
 - * 2 cables for bundle 50-5
 - **★** 5 cables for bundle 50-6
 - * 6 cables for bundle 50-7
 - * 5 cables for bundle 65-8
 - ★ 5 cables for bundle 65-9
 - * 6 cables for bundle 65-10
- Total 29 cables = 493 channels
- Re-tested:
 - * 3 cables for bundle 50-1
 - * 3 cables for bundle 50-2 -----
 - * 1 cables for bundle 65-8 -----
- Total=7 cables.=119 channels
- Found
 - **★** One damaged channel (#0) on cable (65-8 b.R1S5 AX10.3)
 - **★** Four crossed channels (#23—#26) cable (65-9 R2S1 ST9.6)
- Cleaned and dried 3 bundles (65-8,65-9,65-10) using alcohol and dry air.