

BLM – Beam Loss Monitor



K. Wittenburg was awarded the Faraday Cup in 2000 for the design of the PIN photodiode Beam Loss Monitor and its implementation at HERA. Bergoz Instrumentation was granted a license by DESY to use Wittenburg's original development.

Largest dynamic range Lowest cost of any BLM

This Beam Loss Monitor (BLM) is a new approach to measure and localize beam losses.

Very small size and low unit cost make it possible to monitor all locations where beam loss is predicted. Vacuum quality around the storage ring can be measured based on BLM count rate.

Two PIN-photodiodes mounted face-to-face detect charged particles. Coincidence counting make it insensitive to synchrotron radiation photons.

Spurious count very low: < 1 count in 10 s
Up to 10MHz counting: dynamic range > 1E8
Recovers 100 ns after a hit

Choice of detector solid angle: Large PIN-diodes can be user installed.

Output is a TTL compatible pulse: easy counting Tested successfully up to 1 MGray for hardness.

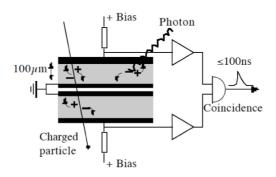
Specifications

Single particle detection efficiency PIN-photodiode surface Spurious count rate Maximum count rate Count rate @ 6kGray/yr SR photons Same with 3cm lead shielding Output Cable driving capability Output female connector Power supply

>30% 7.34 mm² <0.1Hz >10MHz ≈ 100 Hz ≈ 1Hz positive TTL 50Ω pulse >200m RG213 10-pin HE10 +5V <50mA; 45mA typ. -5V <80mA; 72mA typ.

+24V <10mA; 4mA typ.

Operating principle



Order codes

BLM-SE BLM with single-ended output BLM-DIF BLM with differential output

The charged particle crosses both PIN diodes, causing a coincidence.

Synchrotron radiation photons, if stopped by either PIN-diode, do not cause a coincidence.

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