Online-Model

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Warning: This presentation has no physics content, no formula and no plot.

• The "object" and the "project"

• What ? Who ? Where ? When ? How ?

Caveat

- "Loaded Gun" for several reasons:
- many different ideas and opinions
- many different existing or deprecated tools
- Several attempts already
- Recurring request

Handle with Care

Online Model

- Model: A simplified or idealized description or conception of a particular system, situation, or process, often in mathematical terms, that is put forward as a basis for theoretical or empirical understanding, or for calculations, predictions, etc.; a conceptual or mental representation of something.
- Online: With processing of data carried out simultaneously with its production; while connected to a computer, or under direct computer control.

What?

- Target: LHC !
- "Online Model" is not MADX-online !
- Online Model is a software tool to better diagnose and monitor the performance of the LHC in different operational modes. (?)

Who?

- Users?
 - Operators, Engineers in Charge, Coordinators
 - Experts : ABP (different realms), BI...
- Providers ?
 - ABP : Optics, Collective effects...
 - CO + OP : LSA, Timber, Fidel...
- Developers and maintainers ?

Where ?

- CCC of course ! but is that all ?
- Offices, labs?
- TN and/or GPN ?
- Read-Only or Read-Write ?

How?

- Interface ?
- Usability ?
- Buttons and sliders, and/or language ?
- Plug to known components and interfaces ?
- ???

When?

- Everyday for operation monitoring and optimization ?
- During Machine Development and specific measurements ?
- In Setup of a new operational mode ?
- Panic Mode ?

Object

- Not well defined at the moment.
- Many open questions and many aspects not settled.
- I have my vision of the online model, but will not impose it.
- The Online Model must be the result of a collection of ideas and opinions, and must be agreed and accepted at large by the LHC operation community.

Project

- I have accepted / suggested the project given my experience with optics and with accelerator operation in the past.
- Last year as EiC on LHC was an excellent observation post.
- Important for Management, at group, department and sector level.

What?

 A software project with integration of many different toolboxes

 (DB, Controls, Interfaces, Computation Engine, Plugins...)

 A complex object calling for complex

development in a complex environment.

Who?

- BE-CO : overall development and integration in controls infrastructure; long term maintenance.
- BE-OP : interfaces and short term upgrades for agility in use of the model
- BE-ABP : underlying engine, physics content
- Professional developers please !! not a student' s job...
- Resources are not defined yet.

How?

- Establish a common and accepted view of the object.
- Establish a common and accepted plan for development, integration and maintenance of the object
- Develop, integrate, validate...

When?

- Online model ready for LHC restart after LS1...
 (bootstrap and validate)
- Launch Dev. Project by End 2013
- Publish plan for development, integration, maintenance (technical spec.) by Dec. 2013
- Published description of the tool (functional spec.)
 by June 2013
- Enquiries and interviews of stakeholders. Started...

Conclusion... for now

- I need your help, wisdom, opinions, ideas... to first establish the description of the Online Model.
- Please share with me your knowledge of existing tools and past initiatives, whether successful or not.