

MAGNET POWER SUPPLY CONTROL SYSTEM IN KEKB ACCELERATORS

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There are more than 2500 magnet power supplies for KEKB storage rings and injection beam transport lines. To construct a control system for such a large number of power supplies, one of the important things is to reduce the cost of the interface between the power supplies and the control computers. For this purpose we developed the Power Supply Interface Controller Module (PSICM) of 3U Euro-Card mounted in each power supply. PSICMs and a local control computer are connected by ARCnet STP cables in the daisy-chain manner. A PSICM has a microprocessor which communicates with the local control computer. Magnet power supply control system is carefully designed to satisfy conditions for efficient beam handling. A PSICM can change the power supply current with an arbitrary tracking curve which is sent from the control computer. An arbitrary number of PSICMs can start tracking synchronously with each other by using external trigger signal. The KEKB magnet power supply control system has been operated since Dec. 1998. Its operation status and performance will also be reported.