



Safeguarding Large Particle Accelerator Research Facility - A Multilayer Distributed Control Architecture

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- Machinery Safety vs. Accelerator Safety
- PPS: Functions and Architecture
- Functional Safety of PPS
- Summary

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3 Beam Programs:

- Linac East: LCLS-I, completed in 2009
- Linac Middle: FACET-II, completed in 2019
- Linac West: LCLS-II, under construction

● NEH & FEH

- 3 Soft X-Ray Hutches
- 5 Hard X-Ray Hutches

★ Control Centers:

- 1st: CCR
- 2nd: MCC
- Current: ACR



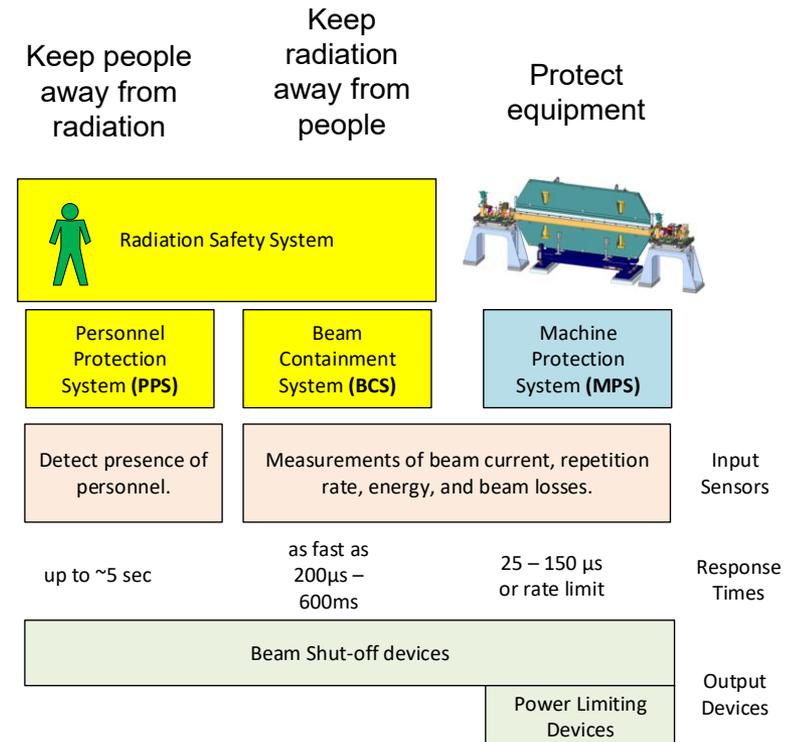
Radiation Safety Systems (RSS) in SLAC

RSS includes:

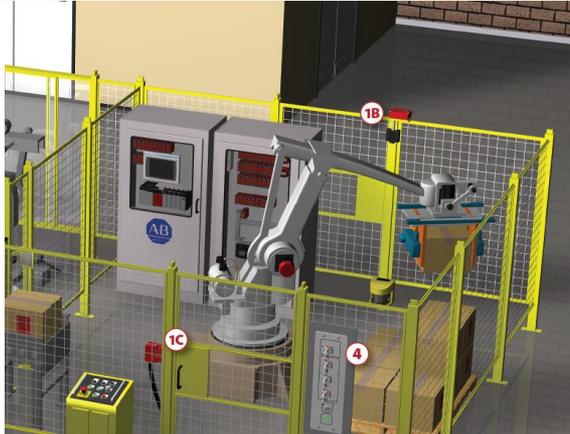
- Personnel Protection System (PPS)
- Beam Containment System (BCS)

- PPS: one of the earliest safety systems
- Hard shutoff actions:
 - Remove power supply to gun/RF
 - Insert beam stoppers
 - Slow response that affects beam stopper design

- BCS: created later to detect beam loss and protect PPS devices
- Shadows many protection functions in MPS, use similar techniques
- Soft shutoff actions:
 - Close injector laser shutter
 - Stop Gun RF acceleration
 - Switch Accelerator RF to standby
 - Fast response, challenge on reliable electronics design



Machine Safety vs. Accelerator PPS



* from Rockwell Automation

SLAC's PPS:

Keep people away from radiation hazards (electron/laser beam)

- Search a large area to get it secured
- If other areas are secured, and beam is contained, issue permit for radiation hazards and beam stoppers
- Any security violation or beam lost containment will shutoff beam operation
- Hazards may come from upstream, not necessarily local
- Need to take actions for downstream

Industrial machinery safety:

Keep people away from hazard
(moving parts)

Devices used:

- Microswitch
- E-stop
- Trapped key
- Locking mechanism
- Laser scanner
- Safety relay/PLC



Machinery Functional Safety

Common Functional Safety Standards Used at SLAC:

- **IEC 61508**, Functional Safety of E/E/PE Systems
- **IEC 62061**, Functional Safety of E/E/PE Systems (for machinery)
- **ISO 13849-1**, Safety-Related Parts of Control Systems (for machinery)
- **IEC 61511**, Functional Safety of E/E/PE Systems (for process industry)

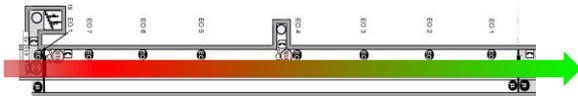
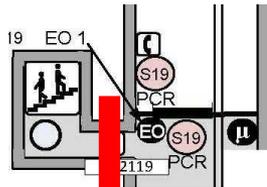
Machinery Safety Certified Products Used Onsite:



SLAC's PPS Design Process:

- Radiation hazards are high: need 3 independent layers for protection
- Access control functions are given credits for providing one protection layer
- Safety PLC need to provide SIL 2 safety interlocks
- Radiation physicists calculate the radiation dose potential, and use effective dose rate for classification
 - Use Level 1/2/3 Category to describe functions required by PPS
 - High risk access point has higher field device redundancy
 - High level of redundancy will result in lower common cause factors

Typical PPS Sequence



- 1) Control access by restricting permissions.
- 2) Secure the perimeter from entry and monitor for breach.
- 3) Search area for occupants and verify clear.
- 4) Issue warnings and interrupt readiness if area still occupied.
- 5) Permit prompt radiation/RF sources when safe to do so (Global PPS).
- 6) Interrupt beam if security violated or radiation detected outside envelope (Global PPS).

PPS: Multi-Layer Distributed System

SLAC's PPS is a distributed system, consists of:

❑ 15+ access controllers, 100+ safety controllers, footprints are everywhere

❑ Five Layers of architecture:

➤ Beam Program

- Each beam program has a dedicated global PPS

➤ Beam Switching and Permit

- 5 sets of redundant safety controller responsible for verifying beamline configuration, beam stopper, magnets, kicker/septum controller
- Re-route the shutoff request to upper layer if additional shutoff needed

➤ Access Control

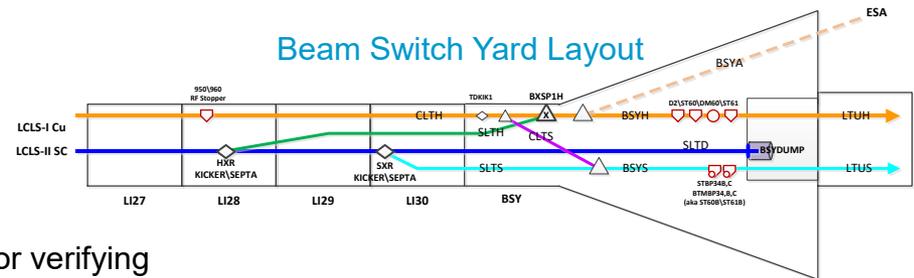
- Access control functions: zone search procedure, trapped key release, zone access control, audio/visual warning, EPICS communication, communication to lower layer safety controllers, etc.
- The only layer implemented with non-safety PLC,

➤ Zone Safety Control

- Interlock to area security violation, loss of beam containment, response to other systems' request

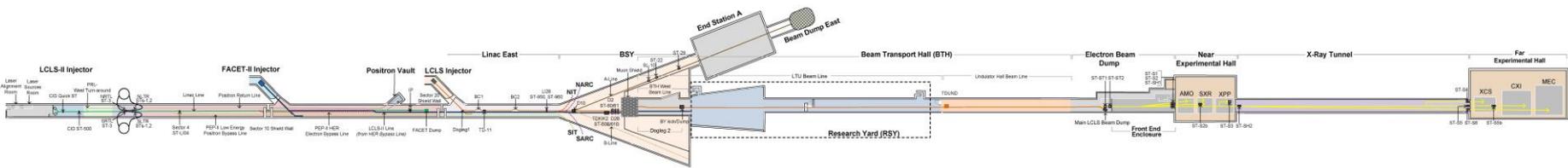
➤ Sensor/Shutoff Subsystem

- Modernize electronics, using safety PLC to replace old relay-based chasses
- Sensor: Burn Through Monitor (BTM), Beam Shutoff Ion Chamber (BSOIC), Residual Dose Monitor (RDM)
- Shutoff: Stopper Chassis, for beam stopper/magnet/RF power supply control



PPS: Implementation

All safety system PLCs are connected over an isolated dedicated network with ring topology



Beam Program:

- Siemens S7-300 distributed safety PLC (for LM, LE @ CCR)
- Siemens S7-1500 distributed safety PLC (for LW @ Sector 8)
- Hardwired connections to EPICS

Beam Switching and Permit System (BSP):

- 5 sets of redundant Pilz safety controller @ MCC
- Connected to EPICS through fieldbus module

Access Control

- Mostly are localized system except for S1-S7, BSY
- Allen-Bradley Controllogix 5562, S7-300, S7-1500
- Connected to EPICS through soft IOC

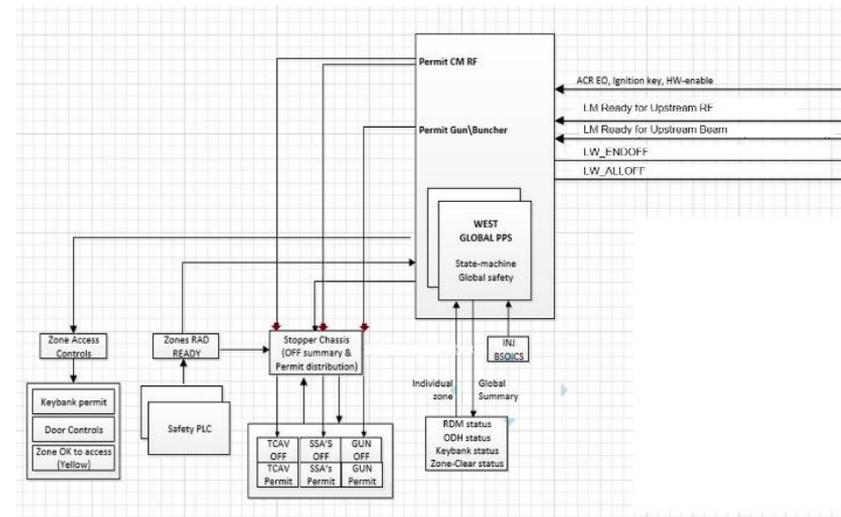
Zone Safety Control

- Redundant Pilz safety PLC
- Connected to Access Control PLC through fieldbus module

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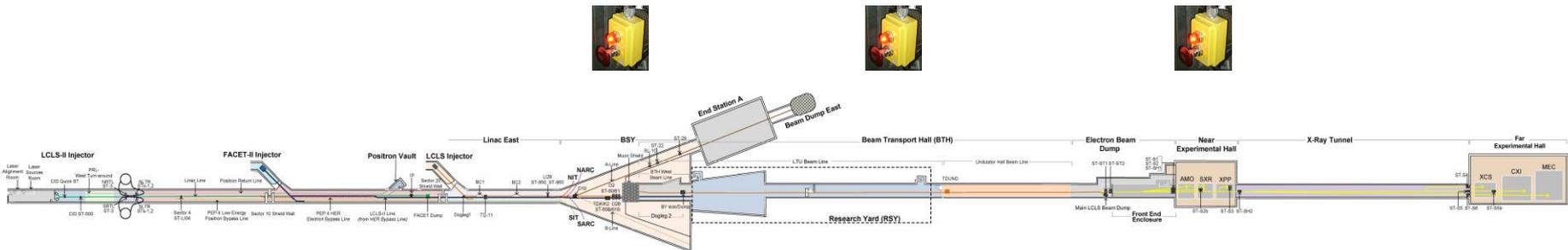
Linac West (LCLS-II) Global PPS Functional Diagram



Challenges on PPS Functional Safety

Compared to industrial machinery safety, SLAC's PPS:

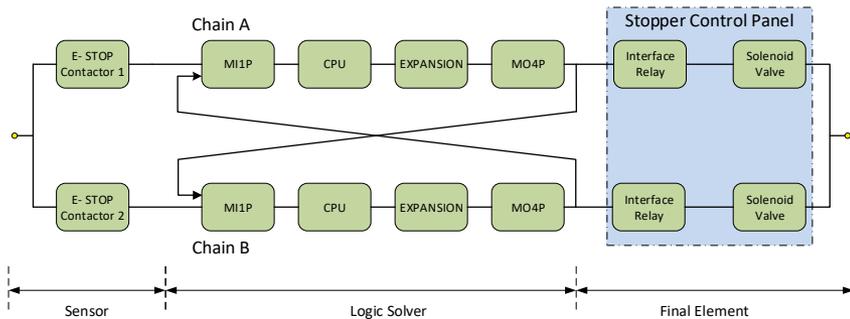
- Large geographic distribution
 - Multiple sources of hazards
 - Modularity increases number of subsystems
 - Complex subsystem interconnections on safety functions
 - One safety function may cross multiple subsystems
 - Safety integrity is affected
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- Examine the E-stop function at different locations of accelerator
 - E-stop function needs to be SIL 2 or PL d by many safety standards!



E-Stop Function: Reliability Block Diagrams

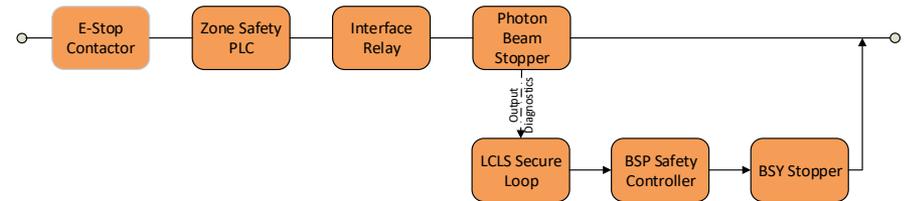
E-Stop in NEH/FEH:

- Dual Redundant configuration
- Equivalent to Cat. 4, highest from ISO13849
- Easily meet SIL 2 or PLd



E-Stop in NEH: (with shutoff escalation)

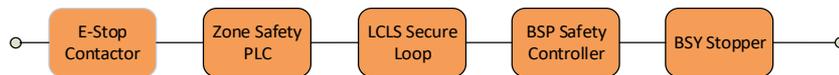
- Upstream stopper will insert
- Additional diagnostics with another shutoff path on standby



In FEH: (with shutoff escalation)

- Another photon stopper in XRT will insert

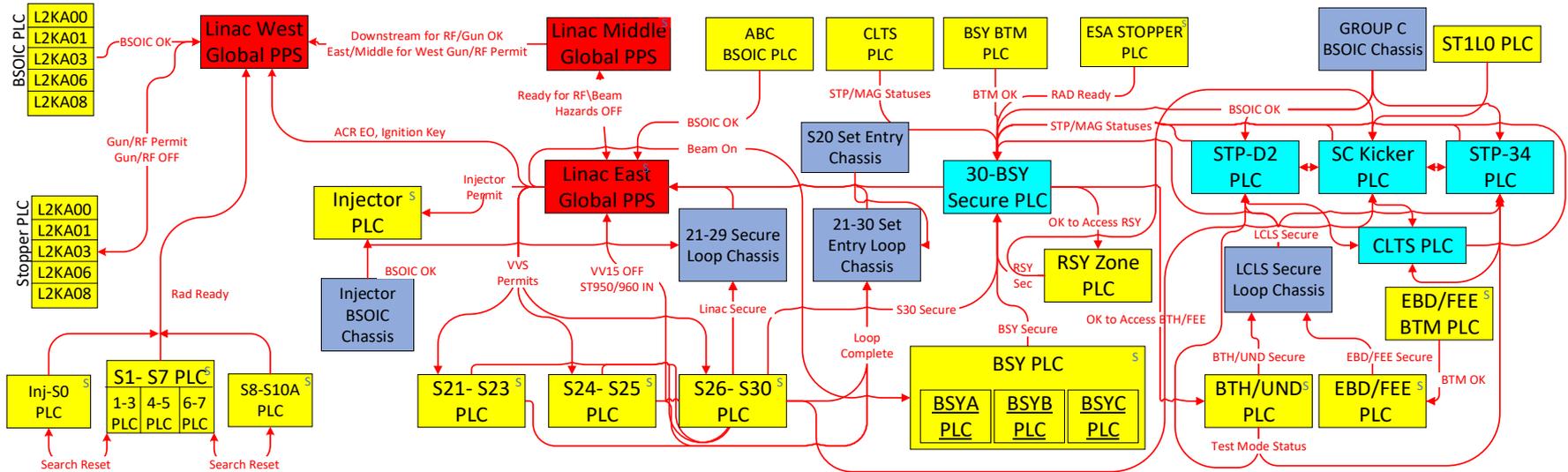
E-Stop in BTH



E-Stop in BSY:

- To shut off LCLS-I beam:
 - 8 safety PLCs in shutoff path
- To shut off LCLS-II beam:
 - 11 safety PLCs in shutoff path
- To shut off both LCLS-I/II beam:
 - 15 safety PLCs in shutoff path

Accelerator PPS Signal Flowchart



How we use this diagram

- Identify critical PPS interface for configuration control
- Make sure interface signals been checked “end-to-end” during annual SAT
- Estimate the PPS response time at each location
- Determine the PPS shutoff sequence of event at each location

System Architecture and Function's Integrity

PPS

- Individual PLC adopts one of the best architecture (Cat. 4)
- But too many PLCs are on the single shutoff path
- **May not** be able to meet SIL 2

BCS

- has a flat architecture
- Single distributed PLC for the entire LCLS-II beamline
- Code's change control is an issue

Potential solutions for PPS

- Re-define the safety function
- Add more shielding
- Architecture change, make it as flat as BCS
- Add an additional shutoff path
 - BCS is a good candidate
 - Has almost no common cause with BCS
 - Need to tie in at BSY, close to E-Stop inputs

ISO 13849-1:
Calculation of PL for series alignment of SRP/CS

PL_{low}	N_{low}	→	PL
a	>3	→	None, not allowed
	≤ 3		a
b	>2	→	a
	≤ 2		b
c	>2	→	b
	≤ 2		c
d	>3	→	c
	≤ 3		d
e	>3	→	d
	≤ 3		e

- Compared machinery safety with PPS
- Discussed PPS's function
- Described the multi-layer distributed architecture
 - Independent, Modular, Scalable, Configuration control
 - SF crosses multiple layers & controllers
- E-Stop example on functional safety challenge
- Potential solutions to improve integrity