

# Troubleshooting Guide for BPMs

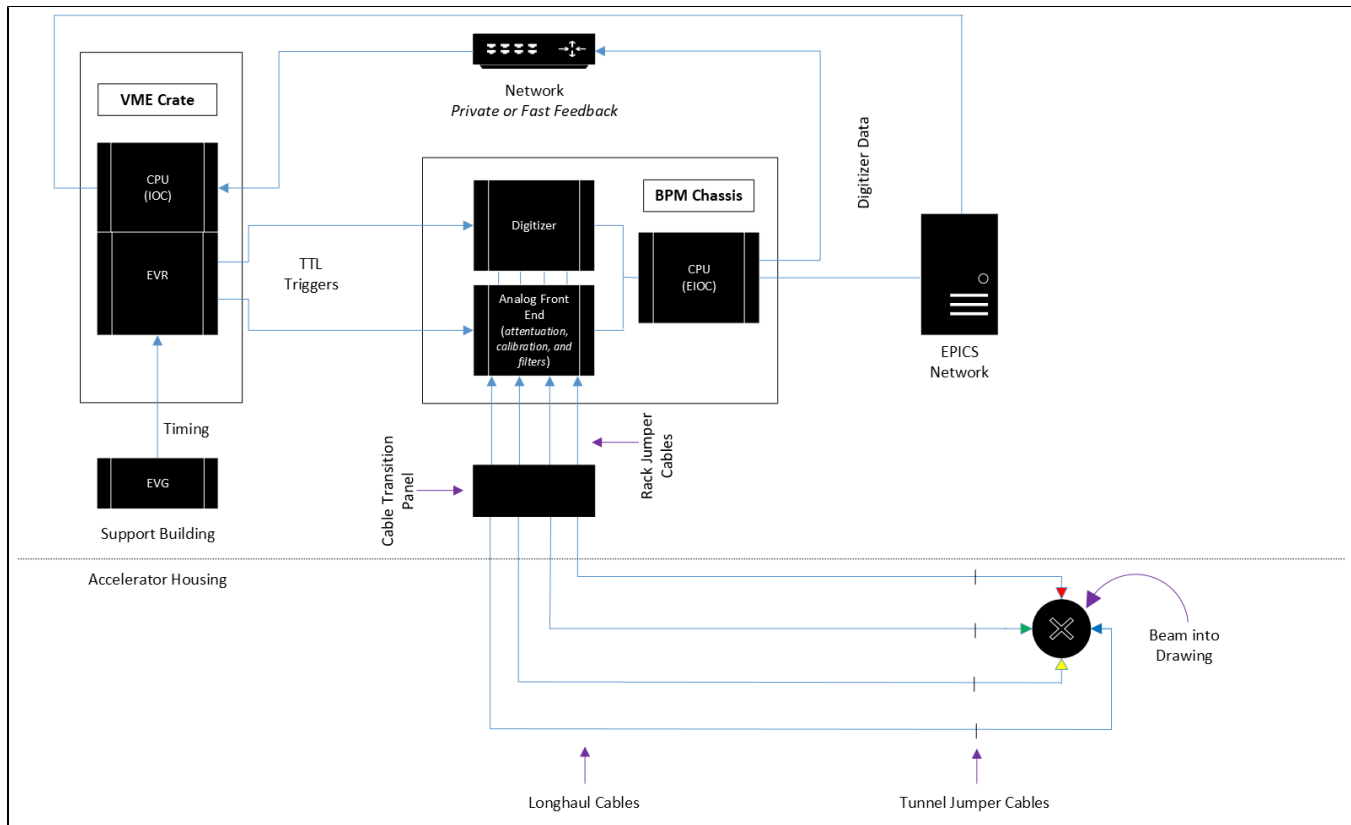
In the Accelerator housing their exists 3 different type of BPMs, they are as follows:

ATCA Based Stripline BPMs, VME Based Stripline BPMs, and ATCA Based Cavity BPMs. (Check)

This confluence page ([under development](#)) will serve as a source for diagnosing many BPM related issues as well as general information about overall hardware in the BPM diagnostic system.

## VME Based Stripline BPMs

The setup for the VME based Stripline BPMs can be found in Figure 1.



(Figure 1- Setup for VME based BPMs, note that the VME crate sends forward communication to the BPM chassis through the use of TTL triggers. The AFE (Analog Front End) of BPM chassis receives raw beam data from the BPM living inside the accelerator housing and performs a series of tasks on the data before sending it to the digitizer \* responsible for converting raw waveform data to digital signals\* and the EIOC \*Embedded IOC\* living in side the BPM Chassis)

### An Example of a Healthy Stripline BPM:

# Stripline BPM Diagnostic Display

SLAC

## Legend

Display info

BPM Health

BPM Health (with beam)

Beam X,Y,TMIT

Healthy Status Summary

Beam Position

Adjust AFE attenuators if needed

Set BPM offline or online

Raw beam waveforms

Configure:

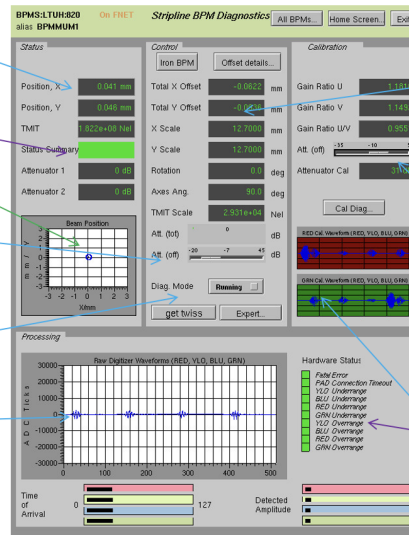
- Position offsets
- Beam scale factor (~radius)
- BPM rotation angle
- Angle between BPM striplines (typically 90)
- TMIT scale factor (set to force TMIT to read known charge)

Adjust calibrator amplitude if needed

Calibration waveforms are populated

No fault states in hardware status summary

Calibration waveforms



(Figure 2- An example of a healthy Stripline BPM with comments, blue comments in this figure are to provide the user with information about the display itself, purple comments are to provide information on what a healthy BPM *can* look like when there is no beamrate,

and finally green comments are to provide additional information on what BPM health looks like with beam after reviewing the purple comments.)

## Examples of some common issues(VME Stripline BPMs, ATCA Stripline, and Cavity:

The figures below are examples of some common issues that can occur with the different BPMs.

BPMS:DOG:355  
alias BPML4P

## Stripline BPM Diagnostics

SC Mode

Home Screen...

Exit

### Status

Any ☐

Position, X 0.0000 mm

Position, Y 0.0000 mm

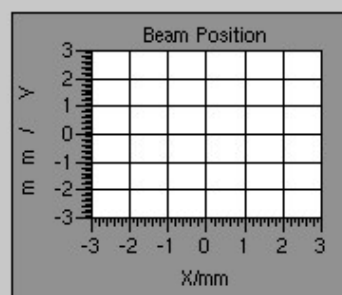
TMIT 0.000e+00 Nel

CHRG NonBSA 0.0 pC

Status Summary

Attenuator 1 0 dB

Attenuator 2 0 dB



### Control

Offset details...

Total X Offset 0.3355 mm

Total Y Offset 0.0160 mm

X Scale 36.3000 mm

Y Scale 36.3000 mm

Rotation 0.0 deg

Axes Ang. 90.0 deg

TMIT Scale 2.3260e+03 Nel

Att. (tot) 0 dB

Att. (off) -20 -2 60 dB

Diag. Mode Running ☐

Expert...

### Calibration

Red Gain Ratio U or V usually means missing or low cal waveforms

Gain Ratio U 1.0000

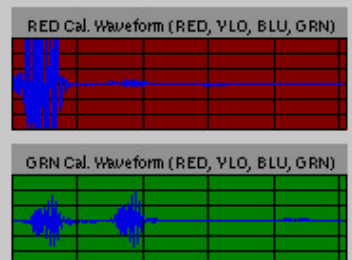
Gain Ratio V 0.9012

Gain Ratio U/V 1.0000

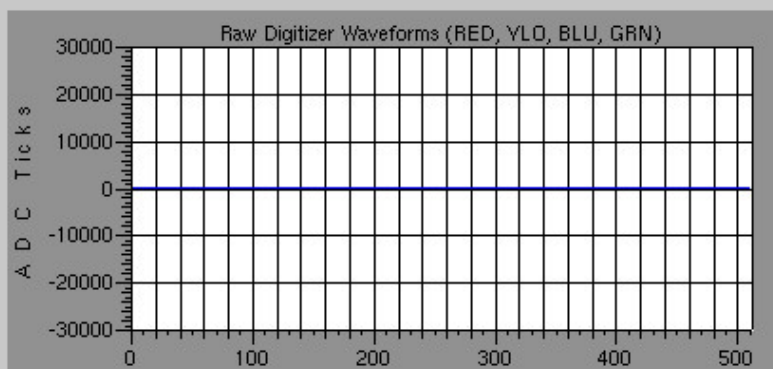
Att. (off) -60 -45 -10

Attenuator Cal 17 dB

Cal Diag...



### Processing



### Hardware Status

- Fatal Error
- ADC Timeout (Connection/Trig.)
- Y Reading Invalid
- X Reading Invalid
- TMIT Below Threshold
- TMIT Reading Invalid

Time of Arrival

0

127

Detected Amplitude

BPMS:LTUH:820  
alias BPMMUM1

On FNET

Stripline BPM Diagnostics

All BPMs...

Home Screen...

Exit

### Status

Position, X 0.041 mm

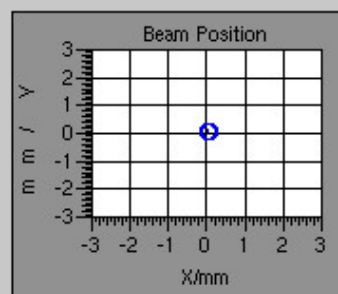
Position, Y 0.046 mm

TMIT 1.822e+08 Nel

Status Summary

Attenuator 1 0 dB

Attenuator 2 0 dB



### Control

Iron BPM

Offset details...

Total X Offset -0.0622 mm

Total Y Offset -0.0936 mm

X Scale 12.7000 mm

Y Scale 12.7000 mm

Rotation 0.0 deg

Axes Ang. 90.0 deg

TMIT Scale 2.931e+04 Nel

Att. (tot) 0 dB

Att. (off) -20 -7 45 dB

Diag. Mode Running

get twiss

Expert...

### Calibration

Gain Ratio U 1.1810

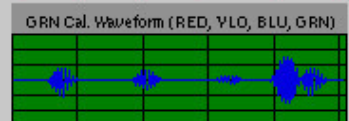
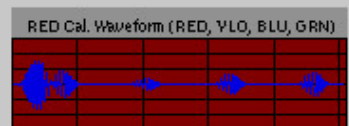
Gain Ratio V 1.1492

Gain Ratio U/V 0.9551

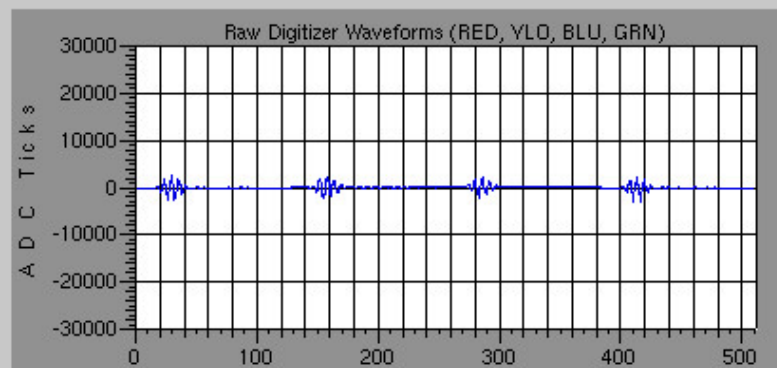
Att. (off) -35 -10 5

Attenuator Cal 31 dB

Cal Diag...



### Processing



Time of Arrival 0 127

### Hardware Status

- Fatal Error
- PAD Connection Timeout
- YLO Underrange
- BLU Underrange
- RED Underrange
- GRN Underrange
- YLO Overrange
- BLU Overrange
- RED Overrange
- GRN Overrange



BPMS:LTUH:590  
alias BPMT42

On FNET

Stripline BPM Diagnostics

All BPMs...

Home Screen...

Exit

### Status

Position, X nan mm

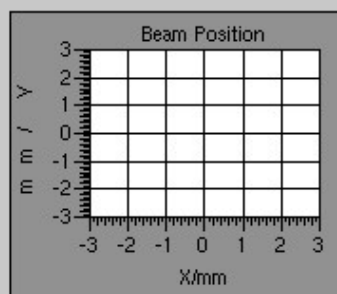
Position, Y nan mm

TMIT nan Nel

Status Summary

Attenuator 1 0 dB

Attenuator 2 0 dB



### Control

Iron BPM

Offset details...

Total X Offset 0.0000 mm

Total Y Offset 0.0000 mm

X Scale 10.0000 mm

Y Scale 10.0000 mm

Rotation 0.0 deg

Axes Ang. 90.0 deg

TMIT Scale 3.370e+04 Nel

Att. (tot) 0 dB

Att. (off) -20 -10 45 dB

Diag. Mode Running

get twiss

Expert...

### Calibration

Gain Ratio U 0.9995

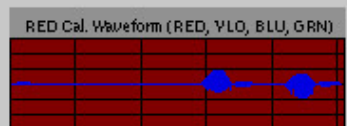
Gain Ratio V 0.9329

Gain Ratio U/V 1.0068

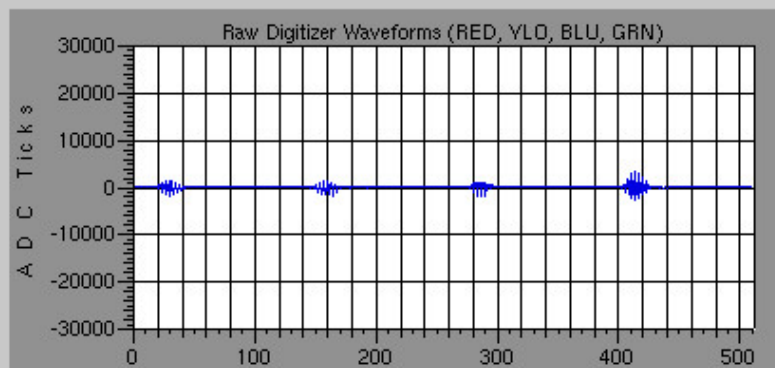
Att. (off) -35 -28 5

Attenuator Cal 18 dB

Cal Diag...



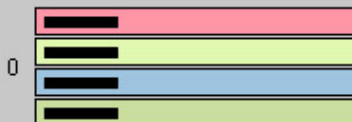
### Processing



### Hardware Status

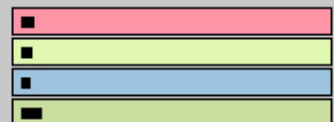
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Time of Arrival



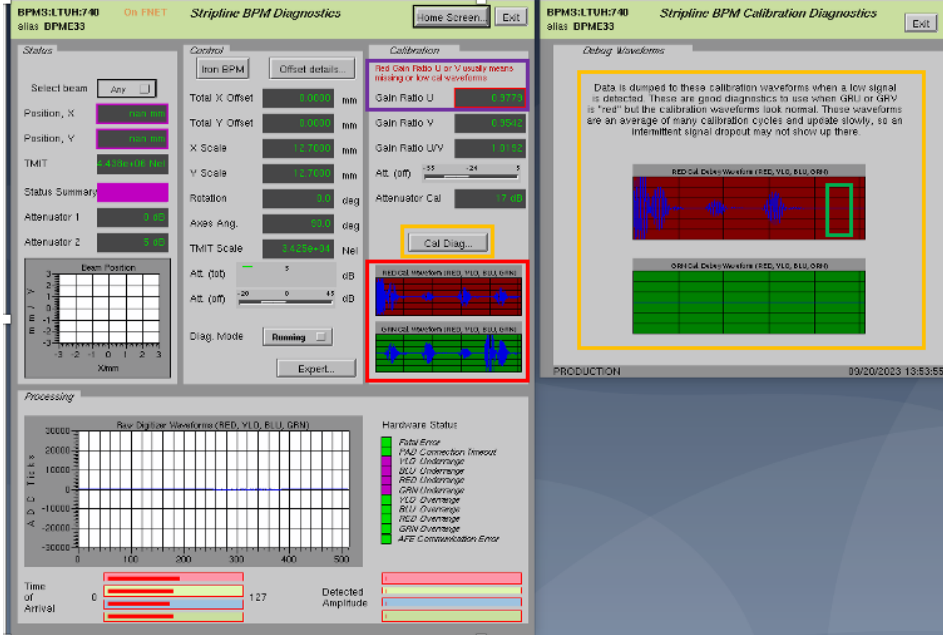
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Detected Amplitude



# Intermittent Failures : Example 1

SLAC



- 1.) Observe that gain ratio U is at Major Severity. Usually corresponds to missing or low cal waveforms.
- 2.) Observe that the Waveform plot does not appear to have missing or low cal waveforms, since the PV for this plot updates at 1Hz this is an indicator the problem is intermittent at may not always visible on these plots alone.
- 3.) By clicking the "Cal Diag" related display button a new display will appear with debug information. The data is scanned at the full 120 Hz beam rate but only dumped when to the PV a low signal is detected, it then freezes at that value until another low signal event happens.
- 4.) This failure is likely caused by faulty switches which intermittently block the transport of the signal (hardware issue).