

MACHINE INSTALLATION & FIRST BALANCE SHEET AT SOLEIL

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Organization

To carry these operations through a successful conclusion, a team dedicated to installation was set up, including 3 people of the Operation group (the group leader, his assistant and 1 operator), as well as 1 mechanic and the person responsible for Planning/Project methods Throughout the installation, this team relied on technical skills of the various SOLEIL groups, the first of which being the Mechanical, Vacuum, Alignment, and Building groups (especially the crane operators).

Meetings were also systematically organised to follow the installation: an "evening review" was daily made to account for the operations advance; the coordination between all the building trades was made during the meeting "Interfaces Machine Installation" on each Monday. The installation constraints were discussed with the project leader and the persons in charge for programmes, in particular for the experimental program on each Friday.



The real task sequencing was different than scheduled

In reality, many unknown factors, delays on the buildings, delays on the equipment deliveries, technical problems encountered during the construction, have constrained us to significantly and frequently amend and adapt this initial planning. Due to the various delays, it was also necessary to manage the cohabitation with the various building trades. However, the work made on the initial planning paid off as without its detailed protocols, we could not have carried out the Process installation within correct deadline..

SOLEIL is a third generation Synchrotron radiation Source, under construction in France near Paris. The 354 m circumference storage ring is mainly composed of 32 (+1) dipoles, 160 quadrupoles, 120 sextupoles, 2 RF cryomodules, 200 vacuum chambers, 6 injection equipments; 12 beamline front-ends and 4 insertion devices (initially).

The 157 m circumference Booster comprises 36 dipoles, 44 quadrupoles, 28 sextupoles, 1 RF cavity and 8 injection/extraction equipment





The planning base unit is a pair of cells.

The magnets (Quad and Sextu.) and their vacuum chambers are installed on the girders in the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{pre-assembly}}$ area:

2 days in average for a girder: Setting of magnets and vacuum chambers, vacuum tests and alignment.

 $56~{\rm days}$ in total with 2 teams (2 mechanics, 2 vacuum tech., 1 store keeper, 1 crane operator)

Installation of a pair of cells (without straight sections):

<u>Irst week</u> : Arcs & BL Front ends (roof Beams open) Girders, dipoles, pre-alignment, dipole VC, equipment and Front end transportation

2nd week: Arcs & BL Front ends (roof Beams closed) Vacuum equipment, Front End setting, Vacuum tests, Alianment

3th week : Fluids connecting

<u>4th week</u>: Magnet cabling <u>5th week</u>: Equipment cabling

Straight sections are installed once all the arcs & front ends are fixed and connected: 29 days

Fluids connecting and cabling: 104 days (in parallel)

Arcs, front ends and straight sections of a pair of cells are baked together: $32\ days$

Final alignment: 39 days

Final general Planning



Balance-Sheet in 2006

The year 2006 was remembered by the starting of commissioning of the Ring, with a first beam that could be circulated on May 14.

Over the **2084 operating hours**, two periods are to be distinguished:

- The first two series of Runs were only devoted to the Storage Ring commissioning

- As of the third series of Runs, 36 shifts out of the 163 programmed were devoted to the Beamlines. During this period, 5 of them opened for the first time.

The maximum current of 300mA possible with only one cryomodule RF was reached very quickly, after only 30A.h of integrated current dose.

Over the period going from July to December, a rather precise assessment on the whole of the machine and lines sessions could be established.

The availability of the beam represented 83.5 % of total time, with 11.2 % of time of breakdowns and 5.3 % of time of injection, preparation of manipulations, or interventions

