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An overview on the LHC injector complex and its upgrade

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LHC injector complex

The LHC Injectors have to reliably deliver to the LHC the beams required for reaching the LHC luminosity goals



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LHC injector complex: Linac2

- Linac2 injects into the PS-Booster quasi-square pulses of ~150 mA with variable length (tens of us) and transverse emittance of about 1 um
- Nominal LHC beams are produced injecting ~2.5 turns in all the four rings of the PS-Booster. High intensity beams rely on injection of up to 13 turns
- Presently a standard multi-turn injection process is used, which determines together with space charge the attainable brightness out of the PS-Booster





LHC injector complex: PS-Booster

- In each of the four **PS-Booster** rings the beam is bunched (1 bunch/ring) and accelerated from 50 MeV to 1.4 GeV
- Brightness curve at extraction



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PS	1.3	2.4	4	72
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- Losses and emittance growth are presently in the range of 5% in the PS and 10% in the SPS
- Main performance limitations
 - **PSB**: Space charge and multi-turn injection
 - **PS**: Space charge at injection, longitudinal instabilities (ramp, flat top), transverse instabilities (injection, transition, electron cloud)
 - SPS: Longitudinal instabilities along the cycle, RF power, electron cloud, transverse instabilities (mainly at injection)



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SPS for HL-LHC	2.3	2.1	1.7	288

Injectors must produce 25 ns proton beams with about double intensity and even more than double brightness

A cascade of improvements is needed across the whole injector chain to reach this target





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Goals and means of the LHC Injectors Upgrade project (LIU)

Increase intensity/brightness in the injectors to match HL-LHC requirements

- ⇒ Replace Linac2 with Linac4 and enable the PSB/PS/SPS chain to accelerate and manipulate higher intensity beams (efficient production, space charge & electron cloud mitigation, impedance reduction, feedback systems, etc.) targeting the HL-LHC requirement
- ⇒ Upgrade the injectors of the ion chain (Linac3, LEIR, PS, SPS) to produce beam parameters at the LHC injection that can meet the luminosity goal

Increase injectors' reliability and lifetime to cover HL-LHC run (until ~2035!) closely related to CONSolidation project

- ⇒ Upgrade/replace ageing equipment (e.g. power supplies, magnets, RF)
- \Rightarrow Improve radioprotection measures (e.g. shielding, ventilation)

** For sake of time, this presentation will cover only the proton injector chain





- LIU (machine and simulation) studies during Run 2 until LS2
 - Key dates for pending decisions until 2016
- LIU installations and hardware work mainly during LS2
- Beam commissioning of LIU beams
 - Pb ion beams need to be ready by 2021 ion run
 - Proton beams during Run 3 to be ready after LS3





- Linac4 will allow production of higher brightness beams in the PS-Booster
 - Higher injection energy (160 instead of 50 MeV) → Weaker space charge
 - H^- injection \rightarrow Pack more intensity in reduced phase space volume

lon species	H⁻				
Output Energy	160 MeV				
Bunch Frequency	352.2 MHz				
Max. Rep. Frequency	2 Hz				
Max. Beam Pulse Length	0.4 ms				
Max. Beam Duty Cycle	0.08 %				
Chopper Beam-on Factor	65 %				
Chopping scheme:	215 transmitted /140 empty buckets				
Source current 40	mA • HL-LHC goal:				
Linac pulse current	26 mA \sim 20 turns \rightarrow 3.4 10 12 p/Ring in				
Transverse emittance	0.4 $\pi \mu m$ High intensity ISOLDE:				
	$\sim 100 \text{ turns} \rightarrow 16.10^{12} \text{ n/Ring}$				
Maximum repetition frequency of accelerating structures 50 Hz					





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Example of 100 turn injection into PS-Booster





- Charge exchange H⁻ injection
 - Paint uniform transverse phase space density by modifying closed orbit bump and steering injected beam
 - Foil thickness calculated to double-strip most ions (>99%)
 - Carbon foils generally used very fragile
 - Injection chicane reduced or switched off after injection to avoid excessive foil heating and beam blow up



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PS-Booster: main upgrade items

- Implementation of new H⁻ charge exchange injection at 160 MeV from Linac4 (redesign of injection region)
 - Distributor, septa
 - Stripping foil and foil handling system
 - Painting and chicane magnets, correctors
 - New beam instrumentation
- New extraction energy: 1.4 GeV → 2 GeV
 - New Main Power Supply (MPS)
 - New RF system to replace current both C02 and C04 systems
 - Modification of main magnet cooling, shimming and saturation layout
 - Extraction/recombination kickers and septa







Space charge is the repelling force between same charge particles with one particle bunch

→ It results into a net defocusing effect felt by each particle and therefore a tune depression depending on the beam and machine parameters

 $-\frac{r_0\lambda(z)C}{2\pi e\beta\gamma^2\epsilon_{xn,yn}}$





$$\Delta Q_{x,y}(z) = -\frac{r_0 \lambda(z) C}{2\pi e \beta \gamma^2 \epsilon_{xn,yn}}$$

Bunches with **higher peak current** suffer larger space charge tune spreads

$$\propto~1/\epsilon_n$$

 $\propto C$

 $\propto \lambda(z)$

Lower emittance bunches suffer larger space charge tune spreads

$$\propto~1/(eta\gamma^2)$$

Lower energy beams suffer larger space charge tune spreads

Longer machines can build up larger space charge tune spreads







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Measurements of losses and emittance growth for different tune spreads reveal the effects of resonance crossing

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 - Injection kicker and septum
 - Orbit bumpers at 2 GeV
 - New beam instrumentation
- Upgrades to accelerate and transfer higher intensities
 - New longitudinal damper against longitudinal coupled bunch instabilities based on broad-band cavity
 - Transverse feedback system to control transverse instabilities (head-tail, electron cloud)
 - Upgrade of existing RF systems to guarantee RF manipulations and improve transmission to SPS in new intensity regime



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- U $N_b = 2.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ ppb} \rightarrow 3.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ ppb}$ after upgrades in

ightarrow Enough to accommodate the LIU targets



SPS limitations overview



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Residual gas ionization

Photoelectrons from synchrotron radiation

Desorption from the losses on the wall



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Beam chamber





Bunch spacing (e.g. 25 ns)

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 - Avalanche electron multiplication



After the passage of several bunches, the electron distribution inside the chamber reaches a stationary state (electron cloud) \rightarrow Vacuum degradation, beam instability and quality deterioration









Electron cloud mitigation (a-C coating)

- Thin film of amorphous-C on surface provides low Secondary Electron Yield
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- Scrubbing lowers SEY with time
 - Dedicated runs of 1 to 2 weeks performed at injection energy in cycling mode trying to operate in high electron cloud regime (compatibly with beam stability)
 - Beam quality improving with time (usually very fast improvement at the beginning, followed by a phase of very slow improvement)



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SPS: main upgrade items

- Electron cloud mitigation
 - Scrubbing or a-C coating or combined solution
- Main RF (200 MHz) upgrade
 - Rearrangement of cavities and power upgrade
 - Renovation of control system
- Upgrade of beam dump and protection devices for high intensity and brightness



SPS: main upgrade items

- Electron cloud mitigation
 - Scrubbing or a-C coating or combined solution
- Main RF (200 MHz) upgrade
 - Rei
 Due to electron cloud, longitudinal instabilities and RF power limitation, the SPS intensity at extraction with 25 ns beams is presently limited to 1.3 x 10¹¹ p/b
- Upgra With RF power upgrade and electron cloud mitigation → 2.0 x 10¹¹ p/b intensity and prigntness





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Standard scheme (72b trains) after LS2



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- With Linac 4
- LIU upgrades
 - PS longitudinal damper
 - SPS 200 MHz upgrade
 - SPS e-cloud mitigation
 - PSB-PS transfer at 2 GeV
- Limitations standard scheme
 - SPS: longitudinal instabilities
 + beam loading
 - PSB: brightness
- Performance reach
 - 2.0x10¹¹p/b in 1.9 μm (@ 450GeV)
 - $\begin{array}{rl} & 1.9 x 10^{11} \text{p/b in } 2.3 \ \mu\text{m} \\ \text{(in collision)} \end{array}$



Can we better match the HL-LHC target?

• Higher bunch current from the SPS (larger longitudinal

But LHC can also help if it accepts longer bunches from the SPS with 200 MHz RF system

Impedance Identification and reduction

- Higher number of bunches into LHC
 - Inject trains of 80 bunches into the SPS
 - Based on injecting 7 bunches from the PSB into PS
 - One out of 21 bunches is kicked out with transverse damper before acceleration
- Higher brightness from injectors
 - Alternative production schemes for LHC beams (e.g. BCMS)
 - Trains of 48 bunches into SPS
 - High damage potential for beam intercepting devices in the SPS, transfer lines and LHC



SPS impedance identification and reduction

- Vacuum flanges at chamber transitions (≈550)
 - **Particle tracking simulations** show that intensity threshold for longitudinal instabilities can **increase up to a factor of 2** without the impedance of vacuum flanges
- High Order Modes (HOMs) in RF cavities











BCMS scheme (48b trains) with LIU





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- Protons:
 - LHC Injectors Upgrade baseline program
 established to ensure production of LHC proton
 beams with parameters close to HL-LHC request
 - Right brightness, ~15% lower intensity per bunch
 - Promising options identified and under study to increase intensity and/or brightness of LIU beams delivered to LHC and meet the HL-LHC goals
 - Need additional studies & define action planning/cost estimates
 - Side effects to be evaluated





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