

Status of the accelerator complex

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Overview

LS2

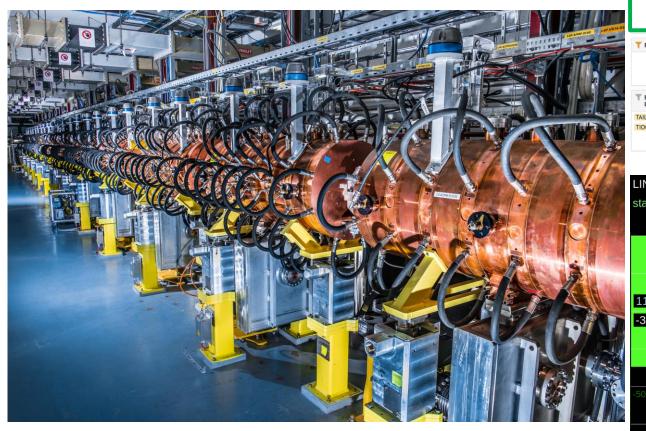
- Completed in injectors back in the hands of Operations by end 2020
- Completed in LHC back in the hands of Operations 15th March 2021
- Tremendous, professional, and safe effort under difficult circumstances

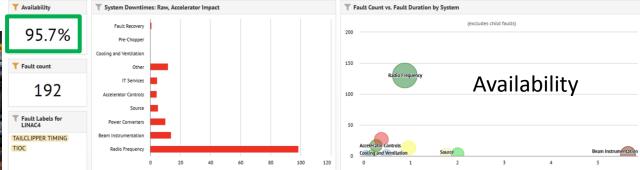
LHC Injectors Upgrade (LIU)

- Successful deployment in LS2 and, so far, excellent operational progress with beam
- Goal for 2021: pre-LS2 beam parameters for protons and HL ones for ions
- Ramping up to full LIU specs during Run 3

Linac4 – connected to PSB during LS2

Good availability
Good beam current from source through Linac4
Good beam characteristics





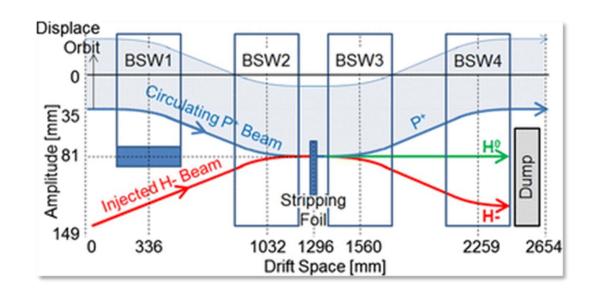


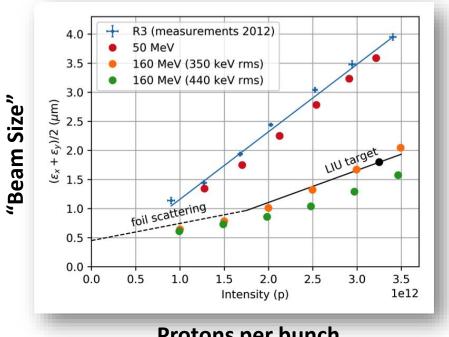
Booster

- Connection of Linac4: H⁻ at 160 MeV
- H⁻ charge exchange injection
- Increase of extraction energy to PS to 2 GeV

The key LIU measures

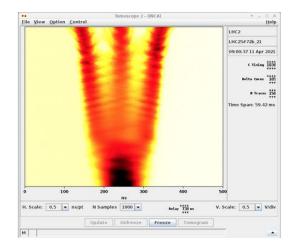


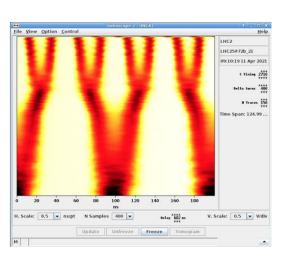




Beam commissioning PSB & PS

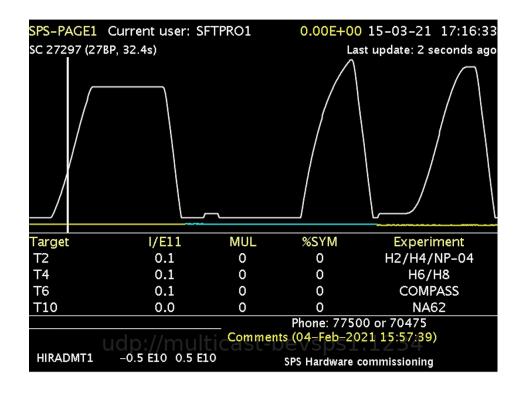
- PSB beam commissioning
 - Excellent progress with LHC 25 ns beam, brightness promisingly close to the LIU target
 - Great progress also with high intensity SPS North Area beams
- PS beam commissioning good initial progress
 - For example, setting-up the LHC 25 ns beam...

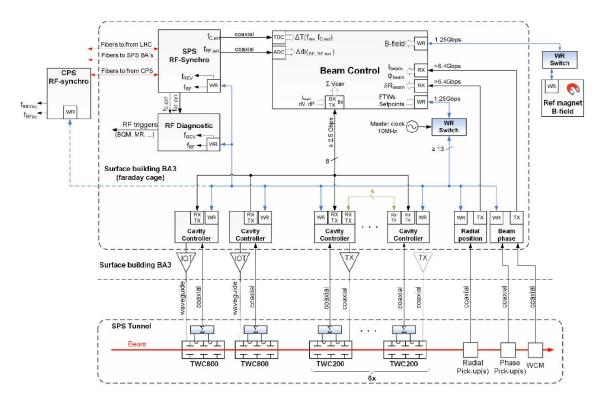




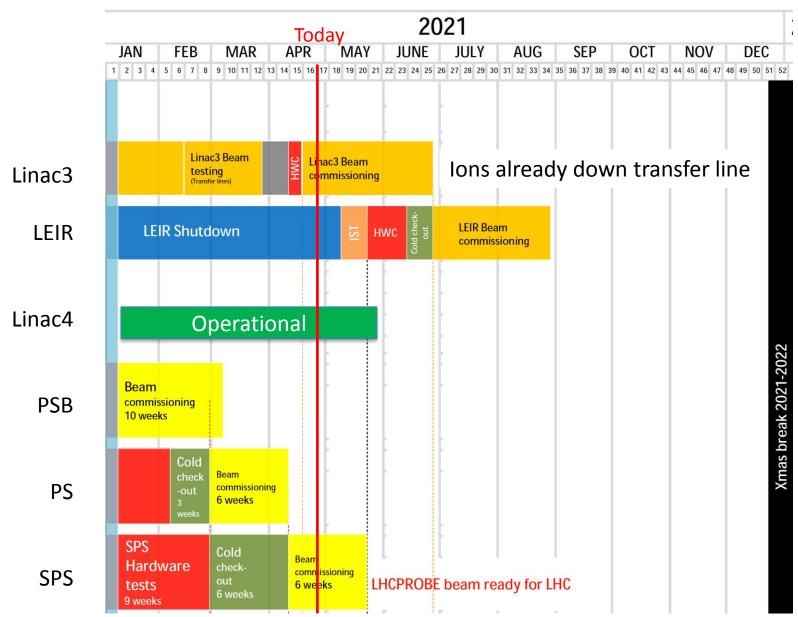
SPS - starting-up with beam

- A lot of work done in LS2...
- Commissioning with beam has started
- RF recommissioning after major upgrades during LS2

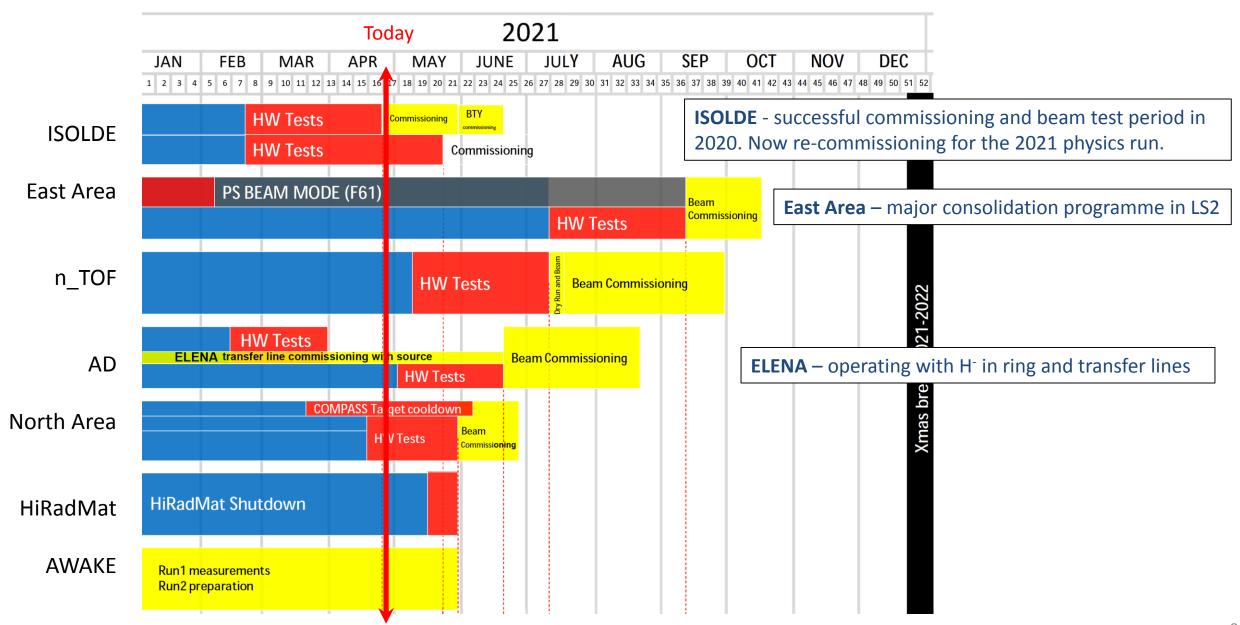




Accelerator schedule - overview



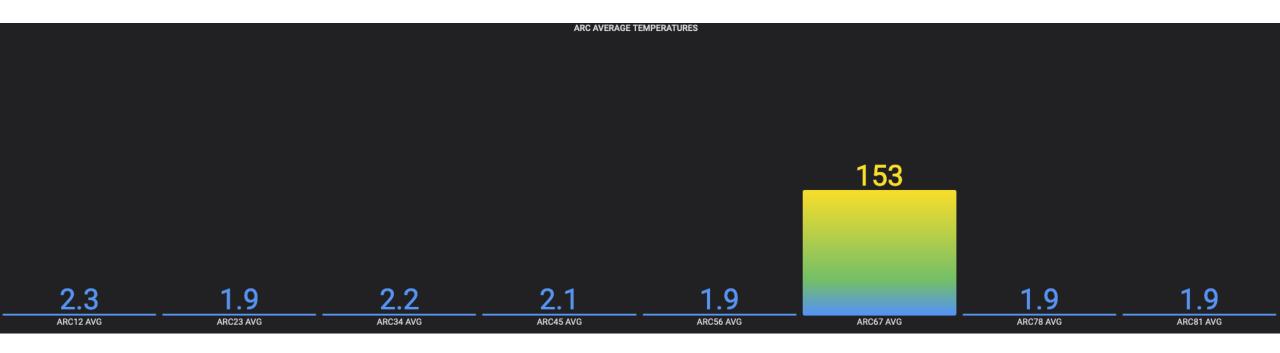
Facilities schedule - overview



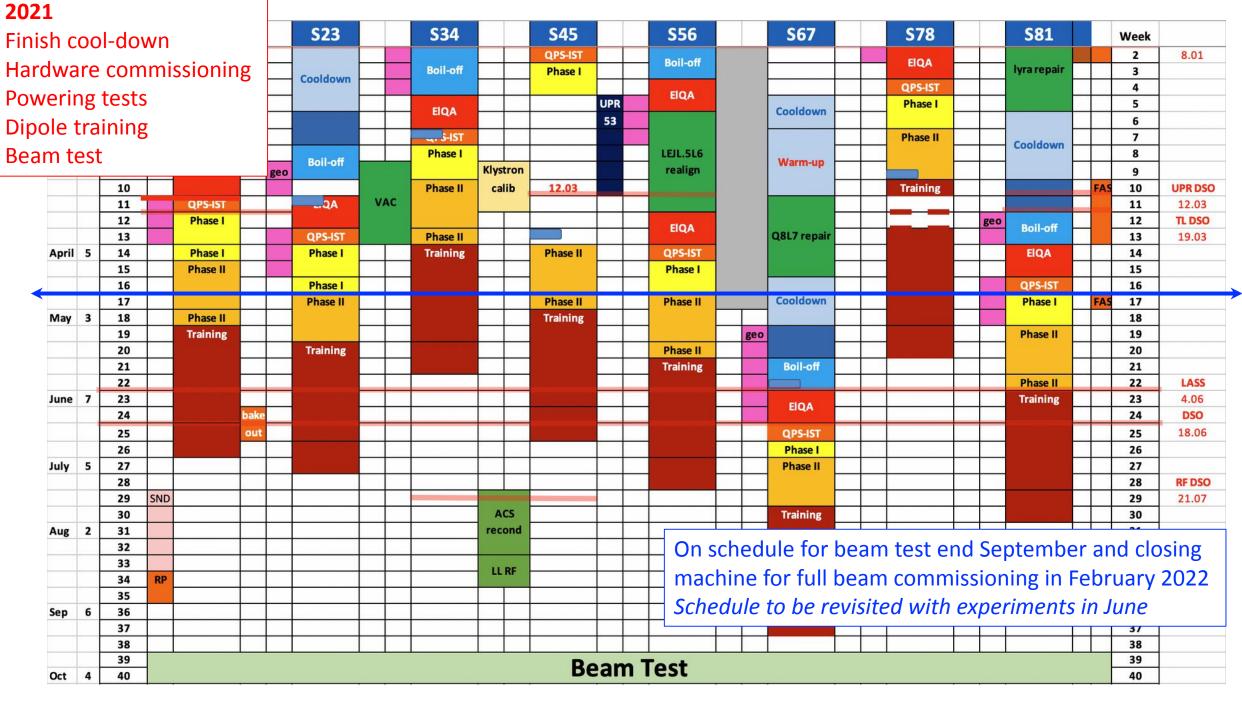
2021 Injectors Schedule

- Beam physics start dates:
 - 21 June: ISOLDE
 - 12 July: **SPS North Area** fixed target physics with protons
 - 23 August: antiproton physics from AD-ELENA
 - 27 September: n_TOF
 - 18 October: **PS East Area** fixed target physics with protons
- All beams will be stopped 15 November for the Year-End-Technical-Stop to allow restart of the complex early in 2022 for LHC commissioning with beam.

Overall LHC Status

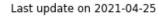


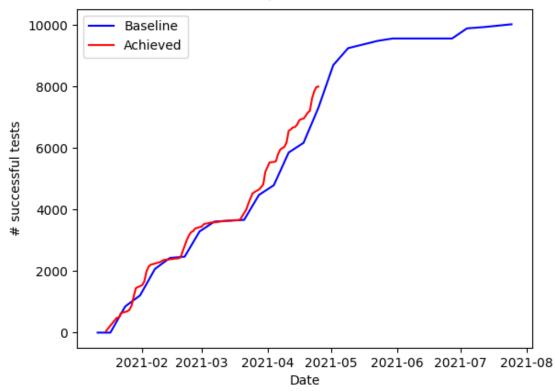
- Seven sectors are at nominal cryogenic conditions
- 4 sectors magnet training campaign
- 3 sectors powering tests
- S67 cooling down after quadrupole circuit earth fault repair



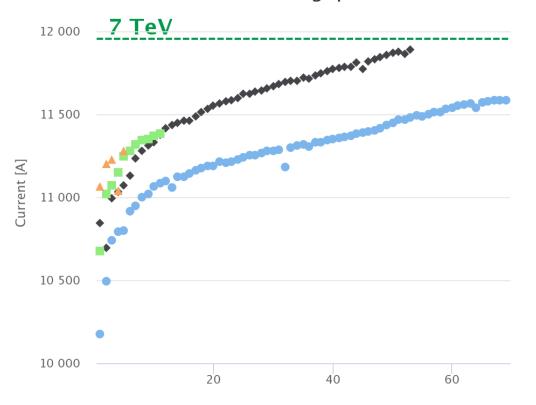
Powering tests progress & magnet training







RB training quenches



10031 tests on 1572 superconducting circuits Target 7 TeV
~600 dipole magnet
quenches expected

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Summary

- LS2 is over tremendous effort under difficult circumstances
- Successful deployment of LIU
- Beam back in:
 - Linac3, Linac4, Booster, PS, SPS, ELENA (H⁻)
 - Good progress, staged restart of facilities incoming

• LHC

- Mostly cold, powering tests and dipole training underway
- On schedule for beam test end September and closing machine for full beam commissioning in February 2022
- Schedule to be revisited with experiments in June