

Coherent Instabilities

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Introduction

- Beam stability in the LHC is related essentially to impedance and electron-cloud effects (see also talk by L. Mether).
- During operation, such coherent instabilities sometimes lead to beam dumps (mainly during Run 1) or beam blow-up, and are still one of the sources of brightness limitation in the LHC.
- > Main evolutions since Run 2 affecting impedance-related stability:
 - ✓ low-impedance collimator upgrade (jaws of 2 TCPs and 4 TCSs in IR7 replaced by Mo-graphite ones, Mo-coated for the TCSs),
 - ✓ increased brightness from the injectors (post-LIU beams),
 - ✓ energy increase ($6.5 \rightarrow 6.8 \text{ TeV}$),
 - ✓ transverse feedback (ADT) improvements (in particular in terms of noise from the pickups).
 - Main modifications since Run 2 affecting e-cloud effects:
 - ✓ intensity increase (see later),
 - ✓ deconditioning (should disappear after scrubbing).

Injection - Lessons learned from Run 2

Possible stability issues are related to electron-cloud.

- After scrubbing, instabilities at injection were well contained with a high chromaticity (15-20) and octupole current (~50 A)
 - Weak single bunch instabilities remained, with a marginal impact on the beam quality at flat top





Injection - Recommendation

Improvements are expected with higher bunch intensities, allowing for a reduction of the octupole current:

0.7e11 p+/b, 56 A in octupoles (12b-trains)

1.8e11 p+/b, **0 A** in octupoles (12b-trains)



 \Rightarrow 50 A and Q'~15-20 (for 1.8 µm emittance) is a very safe starting point.

- \Rightarrow Possibility to relax these can be determined empirically.
- The octupole current should be scaled inversely proportional to the transverse emittance.

Ramp - Lessons learned and recommendations

Weak single bunch instabilities were observed at the beginning of the ramp, similarly to those of injection (e-cloud).



 ✓ Still well-contained if octupole and chromaticity starts at injection values (marginal impact on the beam quality at flat top).

 \Rightarrow Incorporate injection settings into the ramp – in particular octupoles & chromaticity. ADT gain can be reduced (50 turns).

Flat top - Lessons learned from Run 2

Reliable recommendations provided, considering an **empirical factor 2** w.r.t. model (full machine impedance + ADT + Landau damping from arc octupoles).



- Empirical factor 2 can be understood knowing the impact of noise on Landau damping, within uncertainties (noise amplitude, impedance, residual coupling, emittance measurement).
 - noise reduction in the ADT pickups beneficial (upgrade in LS2 see talk by M. Soderen),
 - ... but impact on stability at flat top remains marginal (residual noise in the machine).
- Currently the chromaticity is kept high (15) to avoid small (or even negative) values.

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Flat top prediction – octupole vs. Q'

- Regarding impedance-related instabilities, flat top is the most critical part of the cycle:
 - collimators (main impedance contributors) at the tightest settings,
 - we get only later the large, stabilizing effect from head-on tunespread (in stable beam, when collisions are established).
- ➤ The most critical stability threshold is in single-beam (long-range interactions have a beneficial effect with positive octupole polarity, but vary from bunch to bunch → we do not include them here).





This is the « plateau » we usually consider « safe » (chromaticity uncertainty)

Flat top – recommendations

- Beam / machine conditions: 25 ns beam, 6.8 TeV (including impact on collimator settings / tune shifts / Landau damping due to 7 TeV → 6.8 TeV)
 - Q' ~15 (see also MD plan) and coupling corrected ($\frac{\Delta Q_{min}}{\Delta Q} < 0.1$)
 - ADT gain at 50 turns, with enhanced bandwidth
 - octupole current needed (max for 10 ≤ Q' ≤ 20, include factor 2):

	Brightness [10 ¹¹ p+/µm]	Oct. Threshold [A] 1.2 ns TeleIndex=1	Oct. Threshold [A] 1.2 ns TeleIndex=0.5	Oct. threshold [A] 1.4 ns TeleIndex=1
	0.7	361	281	320
20	0.22 0.8	413	321	367
(1.4e1) 1.8 J	$\frac{1}{2}$ (m) $\frac{1}{2}$ (m) $\frac{1}{2}$	464	361	412
023/20	1.0	516	401	458
(1.8e1) 1.8 µ	1 in um) 1.1	568	441	504

Collision – lessons learned and recommendations

- > Bunches colliding with an offset (1-2 σ) can lose Landau damping
 - Keep one of the main IPs colliding during emittance / lumi scans
 - Avoid bunches colliding only at levelled IPs in the filling schemes
 - Design the VdM configurations with the instability team
- Enhanced ADT bandwidth (optimal for beam stability), should be maintained from injection to start of collision
 - Once in collision the standard ADT bandwidth reduces the emittance growth, and is enough since head-on tunespread stabilizes the beam.

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Collision – lessons learned and recommendations

- Non-colliding bunches:
 - Perform coupling correction based with ADT-AC dipole on non-colliding bunches (bunch-dependent coupling).
 - Correct lattice non-linearities.
 - Reduce oct. in stable beams ONLY if brightness of non-colliding is reduced (HiLumi strategy).



Check for possible "pop-corn" instabilities (related to increased e-cloud effects with intensity decrease from burn-off)

 \rightarrow high Q' needed when machine not yet well conditioned.



- Characterization of the machine and individual collimators' impedances with emphasis through tune shift measurements
 - Identification of non-conformities
 - Monitoring of the impact of radiation
 - Input for HL-LHC predictions (upgraded collimators)
 - Growth rates / octupole thresholds.

- Online chromaticity measurement based on Beam Transfer Function (BTF)
 - Accuracy demonstrated in simulations with non-linear fit / neural network
 - Test new BTF method based on noise injection with the ADT (single bunch kick) → could be used at every fill.



- Probe the accuracy of the stability model including noise
 - Validate the existence of a 'sweet spot' at lower chromaticity that would relax operational constraints (octupole current, coupling correction, NL correction)

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Operational tools and monitoring



Online tools for Scrubbing and MDs

- ML based anomaly detection (L. Coyle)
- Up-to-date recommendation and communications (for OP and MDs):
 https://cern.ch/lhcinstability

Summary of recommendations

- In general: high chromaticity, correct linear coupling, use enhanced ADT bandwidth from injection until end of flat top.
- Injection: start with Run 2 settings (Q'~15-20, oct. ~50 A for 1.8 µm emit.), possibly relax step-by-step after scrubbing (when bunch intensities > Run 2).
- Ramp: start with injection settings in terms of Q' / octupoles.
- > Flat top:

- worst situation for impedance-related stability,
- teleIndex=1, positive octupole polarity, brightness of 1.10^{11} p+/ μ m: oct. ~516 A,
- teleIndex=0.5, positive octupole polarity, brightness of 1.10^{11} p+/ μ m: oct. ~401 A,
- depending on new procedure to measure Q', decrease Q' from 15 to ~5.
- Collisions:
 - ADT settings to standard bandwidth,
 - Non-colliding bunches define the required octupole current, coupling correction and non-linear correction → reducing their brightness would relax these constraints.
 - "Pop-corn" (e-cloud) instabilities to consider carefully \rightarrow start the run with high Q'.



Backup slides

DISCLAIMER: values are not necessarily up-to-date (in particular, 7 TeV is always considered, instead of 6.8 TeV)

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Collision – lessons learned and recommendations



- Popcorn instabilities during STABLE BEAM are caused by the increased central density of the electron cloud in the dipoles with low bunch intensity
 - They could re-appear due to deconditioning of the dipoles
- Proposed strategy: Start the run with a high chromaticity in collision (15 units), possibly reduce it in steps after few weeks of high intensity operation to optimize the beam lifetime

Run 3: Stability from impedance

Collimator scenario at top energy (expressed in σ computed with ϵ =3.5 μ m):

	« Tight » as in LHC Run II
TCP/TCS/TCLA(D) IR7	5 / 6.5 / 10 (10)
TCP/TCS/TCLA IR3	15 / 18 / 20
TCDQ/TCS IR6	7.3
TCT IR1/5	7.8
TCL (IR1/5) Q4/Q5/Q6	15 / 15 / parking
TCT IR2/8	37 / 15

Note: IR2 injection protection collimators are always in parking position.

Impact of (anti-)TeleIndex on stability

Octupole threshold depends on TeleIndex ⇒ different stability diagrams





Including factor 2, with Gaussian transverse distribution.

Positive polarity

Negative polarity

positive oct. polarity, $\tau_b = 1.2$ ns, Nb=1.8e+11 , M=3564 , damp=0.02

negative oct. polarity, $\tau_b = 1.2$ ns, Nb=1.8e+11 , M=3564 , damp=0.02



 \Rightarrow Negative polarity is twice more stable as positive one, in single-beam.



> Evolution of the parameters relevant to long-range effects, along ramp:



Stability with long-range beam-beam effects

Horizontal only, with factor 2 included:





With bunch length (full, i.e. 4*RMS) = 1ns, positive polarity, ε =1.8 μ m, 7 TeV



Dependency on longitudinal profile

From Adrian Oeftiger, 109th WP2 meeting (31/10/2017)

Fixed Chromaticity in LHC Operational Area





From Xavier Buffat, 9th LHC Operations Evian Workshop (01/02/2019):



Screenshot

The two options: answers for stability

> Option 1: large Piwinsky angle

Question: "Is it OK for impedance for the beam brightness limits of above (1.6E11 within 1.8 micron – i.e. brightness=0.89e11 p+/ μ m, 1.8E11 within 2.2 micron – i.e. brightness=0.82e11/ μ m)?"

✓ Single-beam: limit with 20% margin = 0.88e11 p+/ μ m ⇒ ~OK

X Two beams: **NOT OK** \Rightarrow instability with offset beams

Stability parameter (should be >0.5) vs. separation and octupole current with slightly lower emittance (half crossing angle 220 μ rad, β *=0.65m, 7TeV, N_b=1.6e11 p+/b, ε =1.6 μ m):



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Checking the brightness dependency

We plot the octupole threshold (max. for $10 \le Q' \le 20$) vs. brightness (N_b/ ε) for two different emittances ($4\sigma_{RMS} = 1.2ns$, positive polarity, TeleIndex=1, with factor 2, ADT gain 0.02).



Very linear dependency, independent on emittance

Impedance contributions in Run III

Single-bunch octupole threshold (max. for $10 \le Q' \le 20$), N_b=1.8x10¹¹ p+/bunch, bunch length $4\sigma_{RMS}$ =1.2 ns, ϵ =1.8 μ m, d=0.02, with factor 2:





LHC Run III & HL-LHC collimator settings

At top energy:

Collimators	LHC half-gaps [#σ (3.5μm)] β*=1.5m	HL-LHC half-gaps [#σ (3.5μm)] β*=40cm	HL-LHC half-gaps [# σ (2.5 μ m)] β *=40cm
TCP/TCS/TCLA(D) IR7	5 / 6.5 / 10 (10)	5.7 / 7.7 / 10.7 (14)	6.7 / 9.1 / 12.7 (16.6)
TCP/TCS/TCLA IR3	15 / 18 / 20	15 / 18 / 20	17.7 / 21.3 / 23.7
TCDQ/TCS IR6	7.3	8.5	10.1
TCT IR1/5	7.8	13.9	16.4
TCL (IR1/5) Q4/Q5/Q6	15 / 15 / parking	18.9	22.4
TCT IR2/8	37 / 15	30 / 15	35.5 / 17.7

Note: injection protection collimators and TCLD in IR2 are always in parking position at top energy.



LHC Run III & HL-LHC parameters

At top energy, and unless specified differently, the main parameters used in DELPHI simulations are:

	LHC (B1)	HL-LHC (B1)
Intensity	1.8 10 ¹¹	2.3 10 ¹¹
Energy	7 TeV	
Bunch length (4*rms)	1.2 ns	
Revolution frequency	11.2455kHz	
Q_x / Q_y	62.31 / 60.32	
Slippage factor $\eta = \alpha_p - 1/\gamma^2$	3.48 10-4	
RF voltage	16 MV	
Q_s	2.12 10 ⁻³	



Growth rates vs. chromaticity – checks

Do growth rates depend on the optics (here LHC Run 3, 25ns beam)?



Pre LS2 (2018), for comparison

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Growth rates vs. chromaticity – checks

Do growth rates with damper on (here 50 turns), depend on number of bunches?

~NO for LHC



LHC Run 3, flat top with 2022 ramp 2022 ($\beta^* = 1.5$ m, TeleIndex=0.4)

Final growth rates vs. chromaticity: LHC

> LHC Run 3 (end of 2022 ramp, $\beta^* = 1.5$ m, TeleIndex=0.4), 25ns beam, compared to pre LS2 (2018, with corresponding intensity)

No damper

Damper 100 turns



 Higher coupled-bunch growth rates without damper for Run 3 vs 2018, despite the impedance upgrade (from beam screens impedance & higher intensity).

Transverse Mode-Coupling Instability: LHC Run 3

In single-bunch: TMCI threshold ~4.9 10¹¹ p+/bunch (vs. 3.4 10¹¹ in 2018) Horizontal



- Independent on optics choice for Run 3.
- David Amorim found 5.7 10¹¹ in 2018, for HL-LHC with LS2.2 configuration (HSC meeting, 20/08/2018).

Transverse Mode-Coupling Instability: LHC Run 3

In single-bunch: TMCI threshold ~4.9 10¹¹ p+/bunch (vs. 3.4 10¹¹ in 2018) Horizontal



LHC impedance model – Run III

- The main LS2 planned modifications that can affect impedance at top energy, are in the model:
 - Low-impedance collimator upgrade (jaws of 2 TCPs and 4 TCSs in IR7 replaced by Mo-graphite ones, Mo-coated for the TCSs),
 - ✓ Updated tapers of collimators (thanks to E. Carideo & S. Antipov),
 - ✓ Addition of TCLD absorber (tungsten) in IR7,
 - ✓ Addition of TCLD in IR2 (will stay in parking for the proton run),
 - ✓ Beta functions in the arcs and triplets (new optics from **S. Fartoukh**),
 - ✓ fully updated TDIS geometric and resistive-wall (thanks to N. Biancacci & B. Salvant),
 - ✓ New MKI cool (implemented by **D. Amorim**).

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LHC Run 3 impedance model – what's not there

- Planned modifications that are not yet in the model (thanks to B. Salvant):
 - **X** experimental chamber upgrades (CMS, ALICE, LHCb),
 - X VELO and SMOG2 (LHCb),
 - X in-situ aC-coating in Q5 and Q6 (beam screens of stand-alones),
 - **X** new BGC (negligible) and potential new beam instrumentation.