



Proposal for 2023 Intensity Ramp-Up

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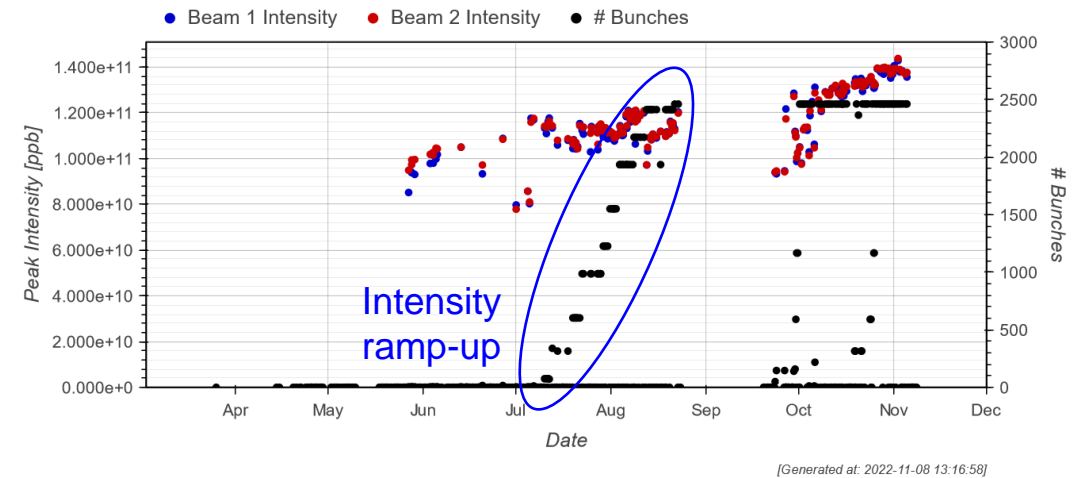
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Outline

- **Intensity ramp-up in 2022**
- **Proposal for 2023 intensity ramp-up**
- **Update for ramp-up scenarios after stops of nominal operation**
- **Conclusions**

Introduction and intensity ramp-up 2022

- Intensity ramp-up based on step-wise increase of injected and stored beam energy after YETS/LS to:
 - establish operational cycle
 - identify and mitigate issues in machine-protection-relevant systems that are remaining after individual system tests and hardware commissioning
 - identify issues related to stored beam intensity and other beam related parameters and establish mitigation measures
- Ramp-up 2022:
 - Steps of 3/12 - 75 - 300 - 600 - 900 - 1200 - 1800 - 2400 bunches performed, whereas 2700b step was dropped
 - Bunch intensity kept at $\sim 1.15 \times 10^{11}$ ppb during intensity ramp-up. Then, gradually pushed to $\sim 1.4 \times 10^{11}$ ppb
 - For each step, monitored behavior during at least 3 fills and 20h stable beams, and validated correct functioning of machine-protection systems via [checklist](#)



For more details see [LMC, 9.11.2022](#), [217th MPP](#) and [10th “Evian” workshop](#)

Observations during 2022 intensity ramp-up

- No beam-induced damage occurred during intensity ramp-up and the following high-intensity operation
- Important number of issues that (would have) degraded the protection functionality were found and followed up
- Issues distributed over all intensity steps

Step / period	# of issues	Issues observed (examples)	Checklist (EDMS)
Scrubbing beyond 500 bunches	9	- Intermittent issues with BQM and FBCT that prevented IQC from confirming that an injection took place - Issue with AG cleaning due to problem in SIS-ADT link - Unexpected high beam losses at TCLIA	#2748476
From 3/12b to 75b	5	- Issue with creation of PM event causing XPOC to latch - BLMLHC FESA server exiting due to low memory	#2756305
From 75b to 300b	8	- Redundancy lost between one BLM card in the tunnel to the surface at point 1 - BLMLHC FESA server exiting due to low memory	#2756853
From 300b to 600b	7	- LVDT reading of TCTPV.4R1.B2 drifting and reaching the dump limit - Update of BETS TCDQ thresholds - Change of BLM thresholds (IR7)	#2761348
From 600b to 900b	8	- Miscalibration of BSRA B2 by factor 4 - Change of BLM thresholds (IR5)	#2766212
From 900b to 1200b	9	- Large LVDT offsets observed at several collimators - Intermittently missing BBQ data in PM event - Change of BLM thresholds (IR7/IR5)	#2768054
From 1200b to 1800b	8	- Dumps on TCLIA temperature probe leading to threshold adaption - Sporadic missing of BLM data in XPOC and PM - Change of BLM thresholds (IR7)	#2768971
From 1800b to 2400b	8	- Sporadic missing of BLM data in XPOC and PM - Change of BLM thresholds (IR1/2/5)	#2771221

See also [LMC, 9.11.2022](#)

Ramp-up duration 2022: break-down

- Duration**

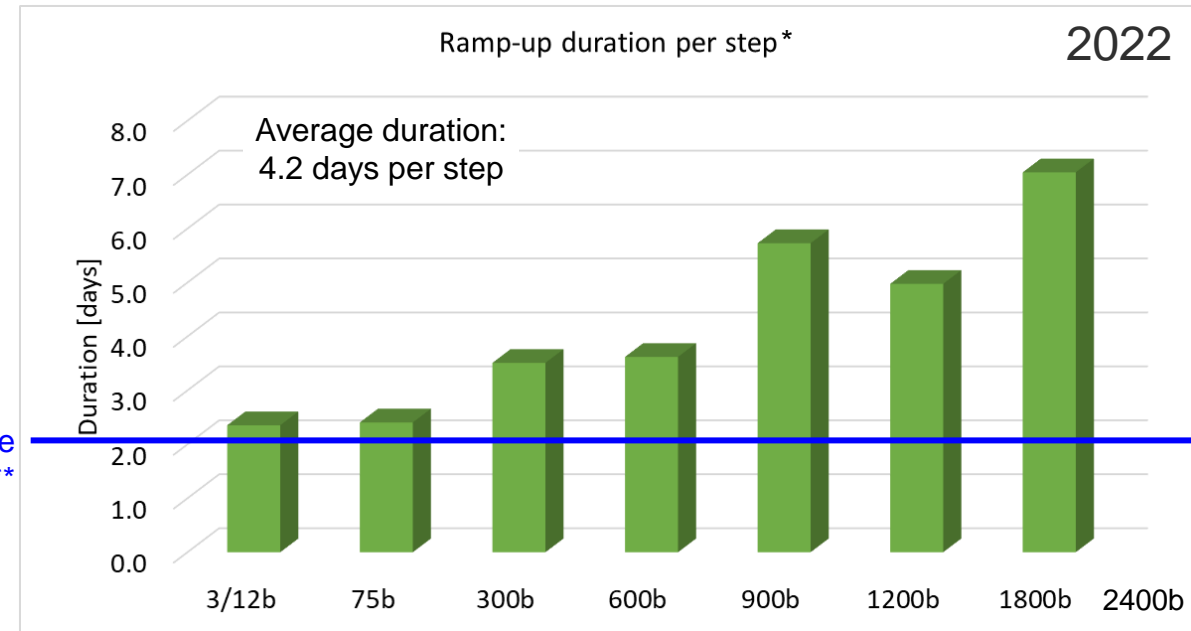
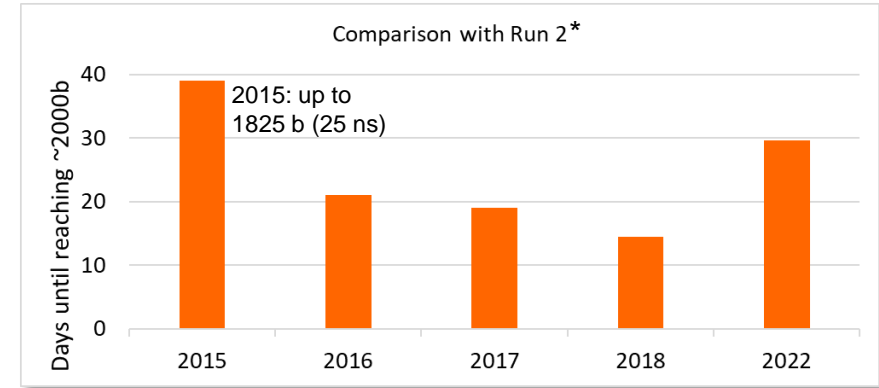
- Reached 1200 bunches in ~18 ramp-up days*
- Reached 2400 bunches in <30 ramp-up days*
- Efficient performance considering that machine came out of a Long Shutdown
- First two ramp-up steps completed in 2.4 days each, i.e. close to the minimum achievable duration of 2.1 days**
- Following steps marked by UFOs, diverse faults, commissioning left-overs, BBCW validation, ...

- Validation and approval**

- Delay between end of last fill and sending out checklist typically 1-3 hours
- Delay between end of last fill and approval typically 8-10 hours
- Great thanks to all the involved system experts for their commitment and anticipation!

*Excludes time for scrubbing, commissioning left-overs, BBCW validation fills

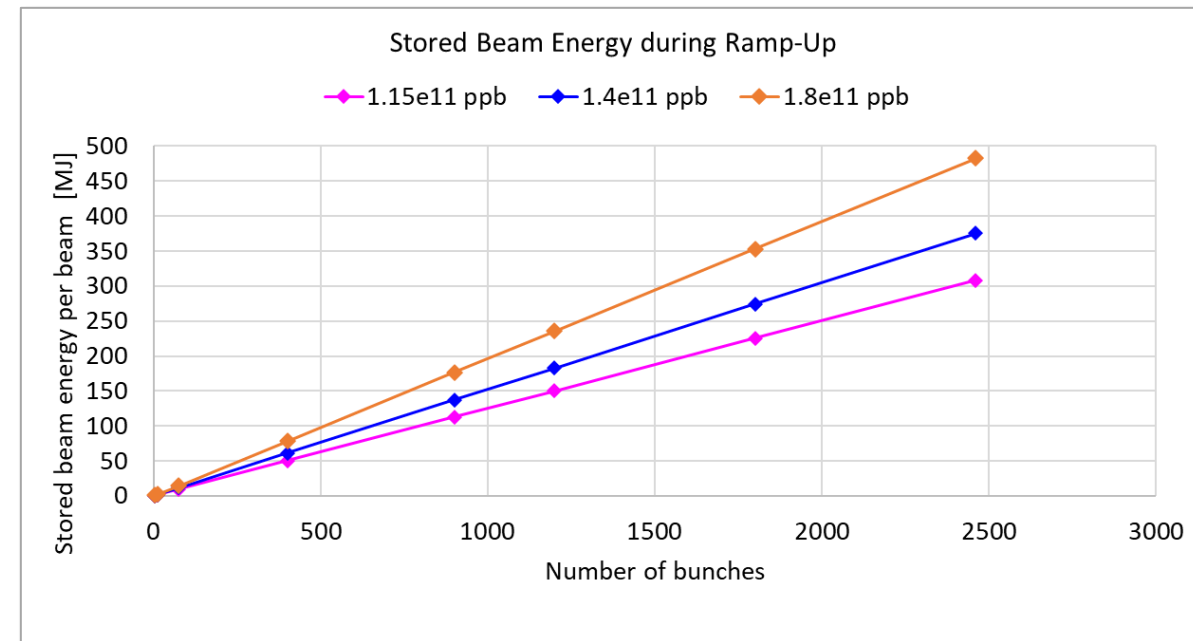
**Assuming 60% availability, 3h turn-around time, and 10h to fill and validate the checklist



Minimum achievable time per step: 2.1d**

What is new in 2023?

- **Extended range of luminosity levelling**
 - To be fully performed during ramp-up fills using the operational tool
- **Mixed (BCMS/8b4e) filling scheme foreseen**
 - Maximum number of bunches limited to ~2400 bunches (i.e. no 2700-bunch step foreseen)
- **Bunch intensity**
 - Intensity of $\sim 1.4 \times 10^{11}$ ppb established in 2022
 - Plan to reach 1.8×10^{11} ppb during 2023, corresponding to almost 500 MJ of stored energy per beam



Proposal for 2023 intensity ramp-up (1/2)

- **Intensity steps:**

- Use steps of 3/12 - 75 - 400 - 900 - 1200 - 1800 - 2400* bunches
- Compared to 3/12 - 75 - 300 - 600 - 900 - 1200 - 1800 - 2400 bunches in 2022

- **For each step:**

- Monitor behavior during >15h in stable beams with at least 2 fills that go through the full luminosity levelling process (reaching the smallest beta*) using the operational tool
- Validate correct functioning of machine-protection systems via [checklists](#)
- TOTEM/CT-PPS, AFP, ALFA roman pots to be inserted to agreed settings before the first levelling step for all fills at each intensity step
- No simultaneous increase in the total number of bunches and the injected train length in the same fill

Reduces *theoretically* minimum achievable ramp-up duration per step from 2.1d to 1.6d and total duration from ~15d to ~10d.**

*exact number of bunches will depend on agreed filling schemes

**Assuming 60% availability, 3h turn-around time, and 10h to fill and validate the checklist

Proposal for 2023 intensity ramp-up (2/2)

- **Bunch intensity**
 - Start with [bunch intensities](#) established in 2022 ($\sim 1.4e11$ ppb at LHC, $1.5e11$ ppb from SPS)
 - Option to gradually increase the bunch intensity after having reached at least 1200 bunches depending on the machines' status
- **Scrubbing:**
 - Verify heating of critical elements before going to next intensity step. Intermediate [scrubbing checklist after \$\sim 500\$ bunches](#), [final checklist at the end of scrubbing](#)
- **During the Run**
 - Issue Cruise Checklists covering ~ 8 weeks (e.g. between TS) to check behaviour of machine-protection systems

Ramp-up scenarios after stops of nominal operation

- For consistency, propose to replace the 600-bunch with a 400-bunch fill

Stop >48 h with massive HW + SW interventions	Stop >48 h without massive HW + SW interventions	Triplet events with non-reversible position changes**
One fill with either pilot bunches or max. 2-3 nominal bunches into SB (cycle revalidation, etc.)	One fill with 2-3 nominal bunches into SB (cycle revalidation, etc.)	One fill with 2-3 nominal bunches into SB (re-adjust orbit in IP)
One fill with ~50 bunches and about 1-2 hours of stable beams		
One fill with 400 bunches and min. 2 hours of stable beams*	One fill with 400 bunches and min. 2 hours of stable beams*	
If > 2000 bunches have been reached, one fill with about half max. number of bunches and about 5 hours of stable beams		
Back to pre-stop intensities	Back to pre-stop intensities	Back to pre-stop intensity
In total, 3-4 fills for ramp-up	In total, 2 fills for ramp-up	In total, 1 fill for ramp-up

Note: All fills need to go through the full luminosity levelling.

*known intensity step to disentangle wrong settings, de-conditioning, etc. from intensity dominated effects at full intensity

**E.g. triplet quench, warm up of triplet region, cryo stop in triplet region, ...

See [LMC, 2018-03-28](#)

Conclusions

- **Intensity ramp-up 2022 accomplished in a safe and efficient manner**
 - Reached 1200b in 18 ramp-up days
 - No beam-induced damage occurred
- **Proposal for 2023 intensity ramp-up**
 - Based on successful strategy used in 2022 and in Run 2
 - Intensity steps of 3/12 - 75 - 400 - 900 - 1200 - 1800 - 2400 bunches
 - For each step: >15h in SB with ≥ 2 fills that go through the full luminosity levelling, to be validated via checklist
 - Start ramp-up with bunch intensity of 1.4×10^{11} ppb

Thank you very much for your attention!



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Issues encountered during 2022 intensity ramp-up

- Examples:
 - Unexpected high beam losses at TDIS*
 - Unexpected high beam losses at TCLIA**
 - Issue with creation of PM event causing XPOC to latch
 - Sporadic missing of BLM data in XPOC and PM
 - Intermittently missing BBQ data in PM event
 - BLMLHC FESA server exiting due to low memory
 - Need to adapt BLM thresholds
 - Miscalibration of BSRA B2 by factor 4
- Intermittent issues with BQM and FBCT that prevented IQC from confirming that an injection took place
- One MKI2 main switch showing higher erratic rate
- Dumps on TCLIA temperature probe leading to threshold adaption
- LVDT reading of TCTPV.4R1.B2 drifting and reaching the dump limit
- Difficulties in using the QFB due to working point with high Q' and octupoles

*See D. Wollmann, LMC,#450, 12.10.2022

** See C. Bracco, LBOC #142, 1.11.2022

See [checklists](#) for details

Note that the 2022 ramp-up could profit from issues found and solved during the beam test in Oct 2021, in particular the aperture restriction in 21L3.

Issues discovered during ramp-ups (Run 2) - Selection

- **Establish cycle/beam commissioning:**
 - PM/XPOC: data missing or misaligned
 - BIS timing mis-aligned
 - Direct dump BLMs (IR6) – connected to LBDS of wrong beam
- **MP dominated:**
 - Orbit feedback: offsets due to BPM calibrations
 - UFO – 16L2 events causing beam dumps & quenches
 - Abort Gap cleaning not properly functioning
 - Screen unintentionally left in dumpline
- **Intensity dominated:**
 - TDI – vacuum issues and heating
 - Insufficient cooling of a collimator
 - Instabilities
- **Random occurrence:**
 - MKD and MKB erratics
 - Un-physical BLM readings in PM
 - PM event builder stuck

*For full list: see D. Wollmann, Evian'19
and checklists for intensity ramp-up*