

High intensity MDs and operational experience

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- ➢ Injection of trains of 2x48b (tot 348b) with **2.3·1011 p/b** in MD, but not fully ready for operation See B. Karlsen-Baeck

 \rightarrow Next milestone : Beam quality preservation with 2.3 \cdot 10¹¹ p/b (losses at start of the ramp). Injection of longer trains (HL-LHC baseline : 4x72b per injection) in MDs $(2.3·10¹¹ p/b)$ and potentially in operation $(1.8·10¹¹ p/b)$

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• Towards HL-LHC parameters

- Increase of at least a factor 2 of beam-induced heat deposition (at constant bunch length)
- Several unexpected issues may come up on the way to HL-LHC parameters (many new equipments)
- Improved control of bunch length put in place this year will help

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 \rightarrow Need tests in MD and in operation with longer trains at injection : Consider few weeks with hybrid scheme in 2025 ?

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 \rightarrow 17 units / 150A could be tested operationally in 2025/2026

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 \rightarrow Few vertical instabilities with offset beams in either IP1 and 5. No Showstopper, yet it shows that the e-cloud instability threshold is not far

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	- Next MD block: lifetime optimisation with e-cloud at injection and negative octupole polarity
	- \rightarrow Operating the LHC in 2025/26 with the negative polarity would provide valuable experience though the gain in performance might remain marginal

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- ➢ Loss mechanisms breaking the collimator hierarchy and linked to beambeam effects were observed
	- Linear effects are under control, but can eat part of the margin. Other effects can be shadowed when validating the machine at low intensity.
	- Transverse losses of off-momentum particles are not covered by present betatron+offmomentum loss maps scheme.

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Distorted trajectories (K. Paraschou, et al., @ LBOC 04.06.2024)

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Phase space distortion happens when you get **close to resonances**.

* Footprint was not simulated with the exact 2024 configuration, but remains qualitatively similar.

Trajectory of the single particle

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Synchrotron oscillations + chromaticity brings particles to the 3Qy resonance which heavily distorts the phase space.

Before reaching 5σ at the TCP, particle reaches a larger maximum position in TCSG.