

Studies of longitudinal single bunch stability in LHC

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Motivation: loss of Landau damping

Landau damping ($m=1$) is lost if $|\text{Im}Z|/n < \frac{|\eta|E}{eI_b\beta^2} \left(\frac{\Delta E}{E}\right)^2 \frac{\Delta\omega_s}{\omega_s} f_0\tau$,

During the cycle threshold changes as

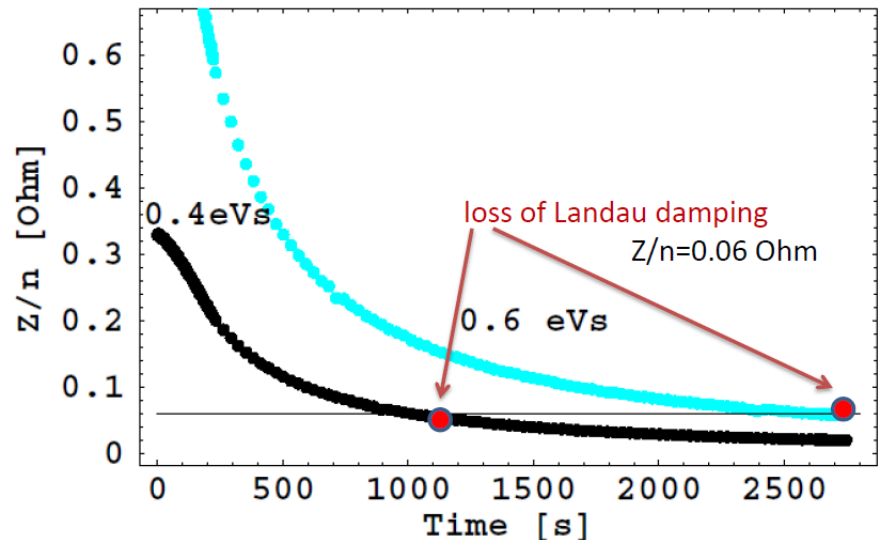
$$\text{Im}Z^{thr}/n \propto \frac{\varepsilon^2\tau h^2}{E} \propto \frac{\varepsilon^{5/2}h^{7/4}}{E^{5/4}V^{1/4}}.$$

→ To avoid threshold decreasing during the cycle emittance should be increased at least as $\varepsilon \sim E^{1/2} V^{1/10}$

Motivation and previous results

- Expected loss of Landau damping during ramp without controlled long. emittance blow-up
- Single bunch instabilities observed during the ramp and on the flat top in 2010
- Undamped injection phase oscillations observed for multi-bunch beam in 2011 confirmed in the previous MD with multi-bunch beam (8 May 2011, ATS-Note-2011-031 MD)

Threshold during the cycle



Experimental conditions

- plan: 3:00 – 16:00 @3.5 TeV, on 1.07
reality: 3:30 – 14:15 @450 GeV (ADT access)
- 8 bunches per ring (9 equally spaced buckets) + pilot with filling pattern: $401 + (k-1) \cdot 3960$, $k=1, \dots, 9$
- longitudinal emittance:
 - nominal 0.5 eVs,
 - no blow-up, but still 0.45 eVs
 - 0.38 eVs (capture voltage reduction in the SPS, T. Bohl)
- transverse emittance: first small (1.5 μm), then asked for controlled emittance blow-up in the SPS & no scrapping \rightarrow 2.2 μm
- injected intensity: $(1.2-1.4) \times 10^{11}$
- Phase loop settings
 - this MD: **as used in normal operation (reference on all bunches)**
 - previous MD (5.05.2011): reference on pilot and the first bunch only

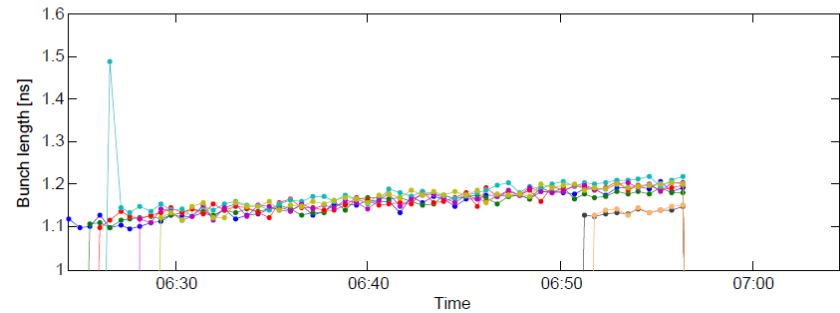
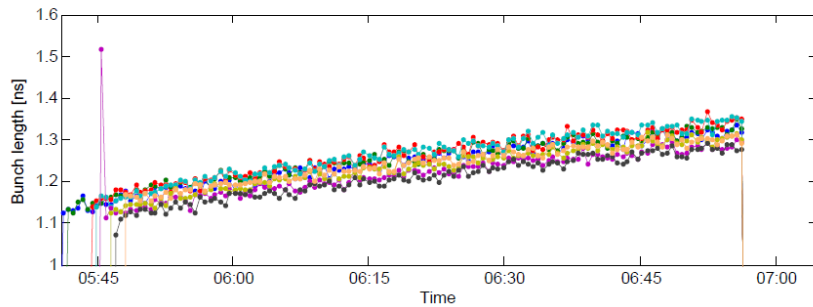
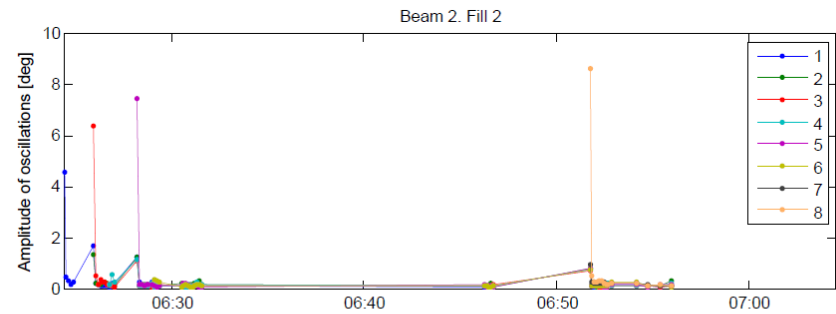
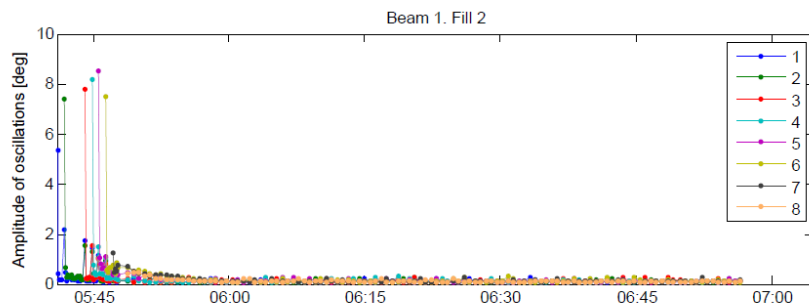
Flat bottom studies

	Beam 1				Beam 2			
fill	1st inj. time	\bar{N} 10^{11}	$\bar{\tau}_{sps}$ ns	V MV	1st inj. time	\bar{N} 10^{11}	$\bar{\tau}_{sps}$ ns	V MV
1a	4:22:38	1.27	1.52	8.0	4:34:48	1.27	1.49	8.0
1b	5:03:14	1.29	1.50	8.0				
2	5:40:39	1.29	1.49	8.0	6:23:58	1.29	1.51	8.0
3	7:14:26	1.30	1.50	6.0	7:26:36	1.29	1.48	6.0
4	8:10:50	1.31	1.37	6.0	11:52:30	1.39	1.36	3.5
5	10:24:00	1.38	1.28	3.8	10:38:26	1.45	1.28	6.0
6	11:19:02	1.38	1.26	3.8	11:18:16	1.39	1.28	6.0
7	11:46:54	1.37	1.26	3.8	12:01:04	1.42	1.27	6.0

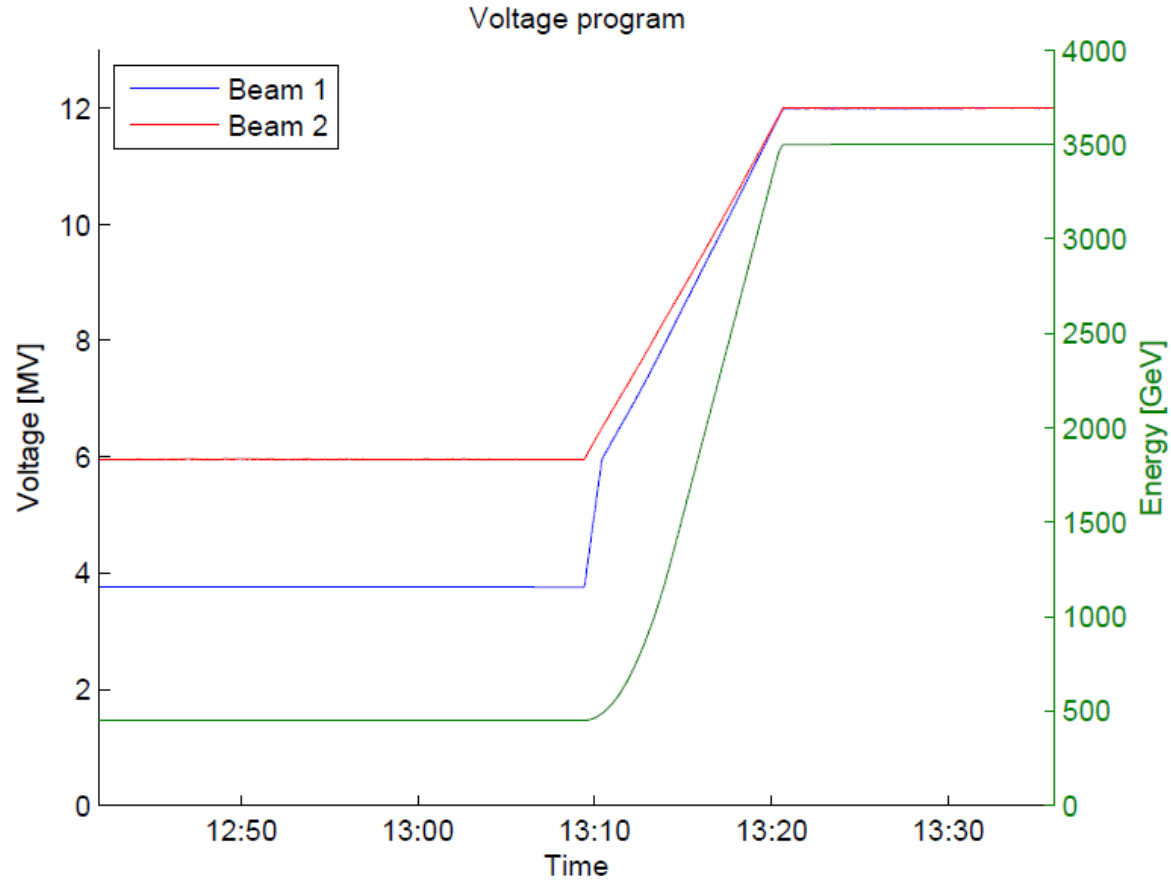
→ **With phase loop on** injection oscillations were damped in all cases

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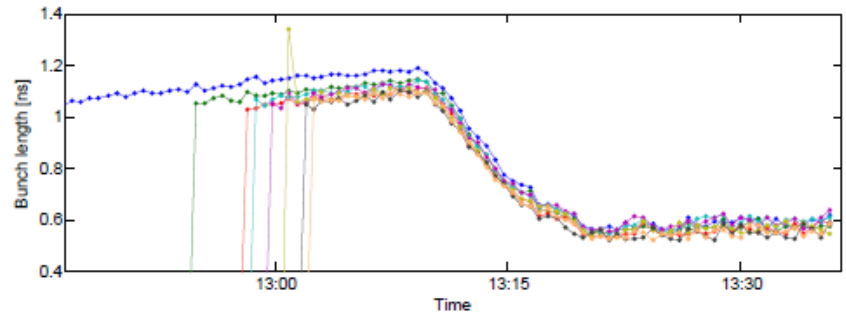
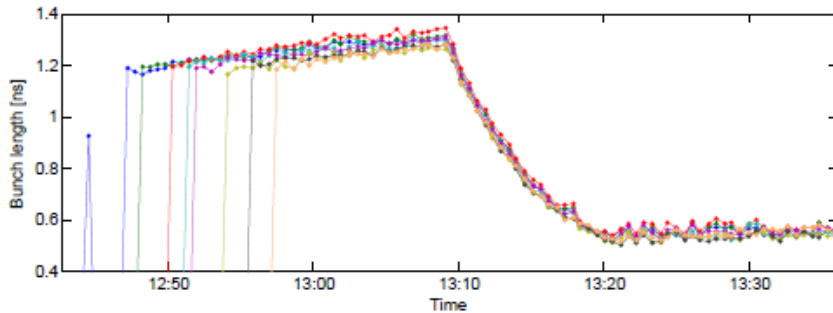
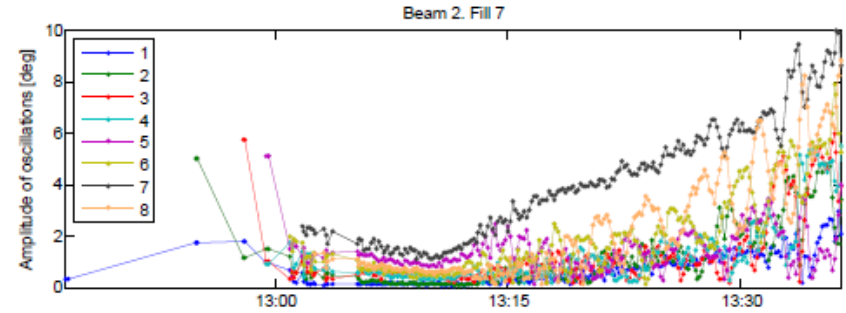
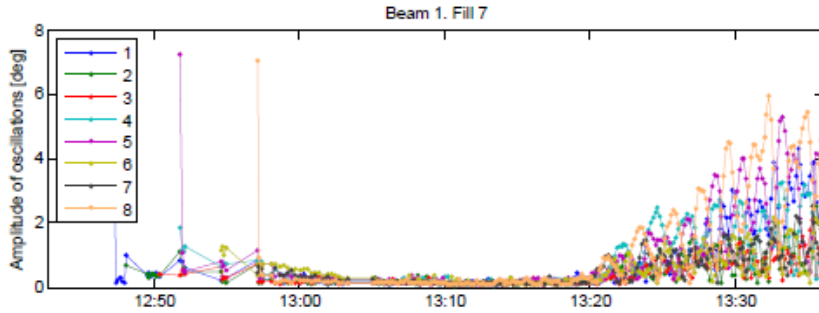
8 MV capture



Fill N7 with ramp: voltage program



Fill N7 with ramp



stable on the flat bottom
 stable during the ramp
unstable on the flat top

stable on the flat bottom
unstable during the ramp – why?

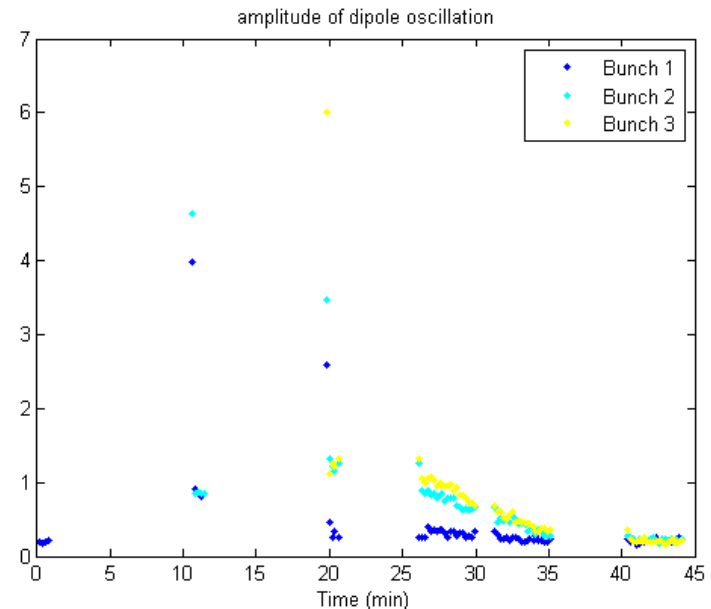
- very similar longitudinal emittances (BQM) but
- B2: phase error not completely damped at the start of ramp?
- different distribution ($V_1=3.8$, $V_2=6$ MV) + time on flat bottom?

Preliminary conclusions for MD on 1.07.11

- Damping of dipole oscillations on the flat bottom for single bunches with emit. > 0.4 eVs, $V=8, 6, 3.5$ MV with **phase loop on**
- Dipole instability during the ramp for bunches with emit = 0.4 eVs and small, but non-zero initial phase oscillations with **phase loop on**
– the case for multi-bunch injections \rightarrow controlled emit. blow-up
- Dipole and quadrupole(?) instability on the flat top for both beams and phase loop on
- **Issues and next steps:**
 - difference between B1 and B2 during ramp (different initial conditions?)
 - multi-bunch instability during the ramp with phase loop on (nominal)
 - measurement of single bunch instability thresholds with phase loop off

RF setting-up for high intensity bunches on 30.06.2011 (P. Baudrenghien, T. Mastoridis et al.)

- Conditions:
 - Single bunch $2.8E11$ in B1,
 $2.5E11$ in B2
 - No longitudinal blow-up in SPS
 - Capture with 6 MV in LHC
 - Bunch length 1.2 ns after capture
- No dipole oscillation with single bunch injection due to phase loop. The quadrupole oscillations lasted 2-3 min
- Turning the phase loop off had no effect. The bunch length started growing faster (more noise at fs).
- A bunch was reinjected with the phase loop off and a 10 degree injection error. The oscillation got damped really fast again.



3 bunches were injected on beam 2.
Again, there was no sign of instability.

Summary of ADT settings for high intensity single bunches (D. Valuch, W. Hofle et al.)

- BeamPos module settings (gain, phase, delay) were prepared and tested for high intensity bunches. The Sum signals saturate between $3e11$ and $3.6e11$ (bunch length as at injection). Delta signals were set up to saturate between $3e11$ and $5e11$ for 2 mm transverse displacement.
- Commutation between high intensity and nominal intensity settings was tested by injections of high/nominal intensity beams.
- ADT was successfully used with high intensity beams in the following MDs.