



Emittance Preservation and Transmission through the LHC Cycle

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LHC Parameters 2011



o LHC Physics Parameters 2011

Parameter	
Bunch spacing [ns]	50
Energy [TeV]	3.5
β* (IP1/IP2/IP5/IP8)	1.5/10/1.5/3 → 1/10/1/3
Bunch intensity	1.5 x 10 ¹¹
Norm. emittance @ collision [µm]	~ 2.5
Total number bunches per ring	1380
Maximum injected batch [# bunches]	144
Minimum injected batch [# bunches]	12
Crossing angle (IP1,IP5) [µrad]	120
Long. emittance @ injection [eVs]	0.38-0.53

2011 parameters not extreme:

bunch spacing β^* collimators

o Collimators

	2011	Tight (2012)
TCP IR7 [σ]	5.7	4
TCSG IR7 [σ]	8.5	6
TCLA IR7 [σ]	17.7	8
TCT IR1/5 [σ]	11.8	9.3
TCSG IR6 [σ]	9.3	6.8
TCDQ IR6 [σ]	9.8	7.3



From the Injectors



- o Remarkable 2011 performance:
 - 50 ns: 1.5 x 10¹¹ p⁺/bunch, 1.9 μ m norm. emittance at the exit of the SPS
 - **25 ns: 0.98 x 10¹¹ , 2.5** μ**m**



50 ns bunch spacing



SPS scraping



- o Not all the intensity that is produced by the injectors can be used by the LHC
- The long tails of the bunch distributions have to be scraped off to avoid high losses at the moment of injection into the LHC



Horizontal Transfer Line Collimator scan

- Nominal setting of transfer line collimator
- o Injected nominal emittances (3.5 μ m) with scraping: no problem

o Scrape < 5 % of beam before extraction in the SPS



2011 LHC Transmission



- o Excellent transmission: < 0.1 % loss
- o Collimators close to beam at all times
- o Run through ramp and squeeze with
 - Orbit feedback
 - Tune feedback
 - Transverse feedback
- o LHC very reproducible correct optics once !!



Note: FBCT measurement dependence on beam position and bunch length





- o Only started middle of 2011 to seriously investigate emittance preservation
- Main limitation: instrumentation no system fully adapted to measure physics beams through cycle
- o Several different profile measurement systems in the LHC
 - Wire scanners, low intensity only
 - Synchrotron Light Monitors (BSRT): continuous, bunch-by-bunch, not during energy ramp, calibration difficult
 - Beam-Gas Ionization Profile Monitor (BGI): continuous, not commissioned in 2011
 - (Luminosity)
- o Lessons learnt:
 - Importance of fast and well-calibrated continuous emittance measurement emittance evolution needs to be available online: BSRT and BGI
 - Importance of using measured optics
- o Checked emittance preservation through different phases of cycle presented results at Evian, Chamonix

Significant Blow-up through Cycle



Analysed ~ 60 fills between mid July to mid August (50 ns, 1.2 ×10¹¹, β *=1.5 m)

Comparison of convoluted emittance from LHC luminosity with SPS wire scan for 144 bunches:



On average ~ 20 - 30 % growth between SPS flattop and collisions



Summary of Blow-up Investigations



- 1. No measureable blow-up from injection process
 - Sensitivity: ± 10 %
- Blow-up during injection plateau → bunch-by-bunch differences, smallest effect on total emittance blow-up
 - 0-10 %, different for different batches
- 3. Significant blow-up during the ramp
 - > 20 % for 1.6 μm
- 4. Blow-up during the squeeze for beam 1, horizontal plane
 - > 20 %
- 5. Absolute emittance growth independent of bunch intensity through cycle
 - $\Delta \epsilon l \epsilon \sim 0.5 0.6 \ \mu m$ for convoluted, averaged emittance from luminosity



Growth @ 450 GeV



Emittances are growing at injection – reasonably consistent with IBS although 0 slighty faster



Simulations of IBS, uncoupled

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Horizontal emittance: ~ 10 % in 20 minutes

Filling about 30 minutes $\rightarrow \Delta \epsilon / \epsilon 0 - 10\%$ in H

More studies and IBS simulations to come in 2012

Batch-by-batch longitudinal blow-up to possibly reduce effect



The Ramp



Wire scans through the ramp, low intensity (3 12 bunch batches, 50 ns)



Used measured $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ at injection and flattop and linear interpolation between

Blow-up during the ramp: measurement indicates > 20 % all planes

Effect was reproduced in other test fills





o Evolution of the emittance through the squeeze for same fill as before



o Blow-up during squeeze for beam 1 H

- Took measured beta at 3.5 m and 1 m from optics team into account
- Looked at BSRT from several physics fills, always blow-up of beam 1H
- Blow-up of beam 1 H between 5 and 1.5 m β^*

Dependence on bunch intensity





Approximately constant absolute growth between SPS extraction and LHC collisions for different bunch intensities



Plans for 2012



o Many, many improvements for instrumentation and MDs planned



2012 BSRT: online emittance evolution measurement

- o Injection plateau:
 - Batch-by-batch long. blow-up to be tested.
 - Shorten filling cycle
- o Ramp:
 - Source of blow-up not clear. Will test dependence on damper gain. Will be hardest to continuously observe. BGI needed.
- o Squeeze:
 - Only affected one beam and plane in 2011. Will check during commissioning with nominal intensity. Should be able to correct this in 2012
- o Goals: find sources of blow-up and/or dependence on ϵ and I_b







- o Status after last scrubbing test, 24th of October 2011
 - Batches of 72 bunches, spaced by 1 us, circulating
 - E-cloud instability: emittances still far from being useful for physics



- o Fill 2186 25 ns physics fill 12 + 24 + 24 bunches
 - Injected emittances: 2.6 μm convoluted
 - Into collision: 3.2 μ m 0.6 μ m blow-up through cycle consistent with 50 ns observation
- o Transmission excellent lifetimes never below 25 h.



Future LHC Operation



- o Difficult to say how representative 2011 operation is for nominal or HL LHC operation
- o Need 2012 for further experience
 - Smaller β^*
 - Tight collimator settings and impedance
 - 25 ns and long-range beam-beam interaction





o Transmission through the ramp degrades with tight collimator settings



- o Lost several % during squeeze due to orbit movements scraping tails
 - Seems understood: leakage of crossing and separation bumps in the IRs.



Conclusion



- o Transmission through the LHC cycle 2011 was excellent.
 - Loss < 0.1 %
- o Significant emittance blow-up through the LHC cycle
 - $\Delta \epsilon / \epsilon \sim 0.5 0.6 \ \mu m \ convoluted$
 - Goal of 10 % blow-up through cycle is challenging
- Need 2012 experience to get full(er) picture for transmission and emittance preservation
 - Smaller β^*
 - Tight collimators
 - More powerful emittance diagnostics
 - MDs : emittance preservation, impedance, chromatic effects with smaller β^* , long-range,...





EXTRA SLIDES





Last BI MD in 2011:

Ramp of 4 bunches per ring – different emittances

Unfortunately no useful wire scan data for beam 1



Relative growth different, but...different emittances grow by the same amount

Although larger than for 12 bunch trains

Possible sources for growth @ ramp



- o Ramp still needs to be further optimized
 - Chromaticity,...
- o Effect of reduced damper gain during ramp?



Batch-by-batch emittance differences



