



# Issues during Intensity Ramp – Up & Proposal for restart after TS2

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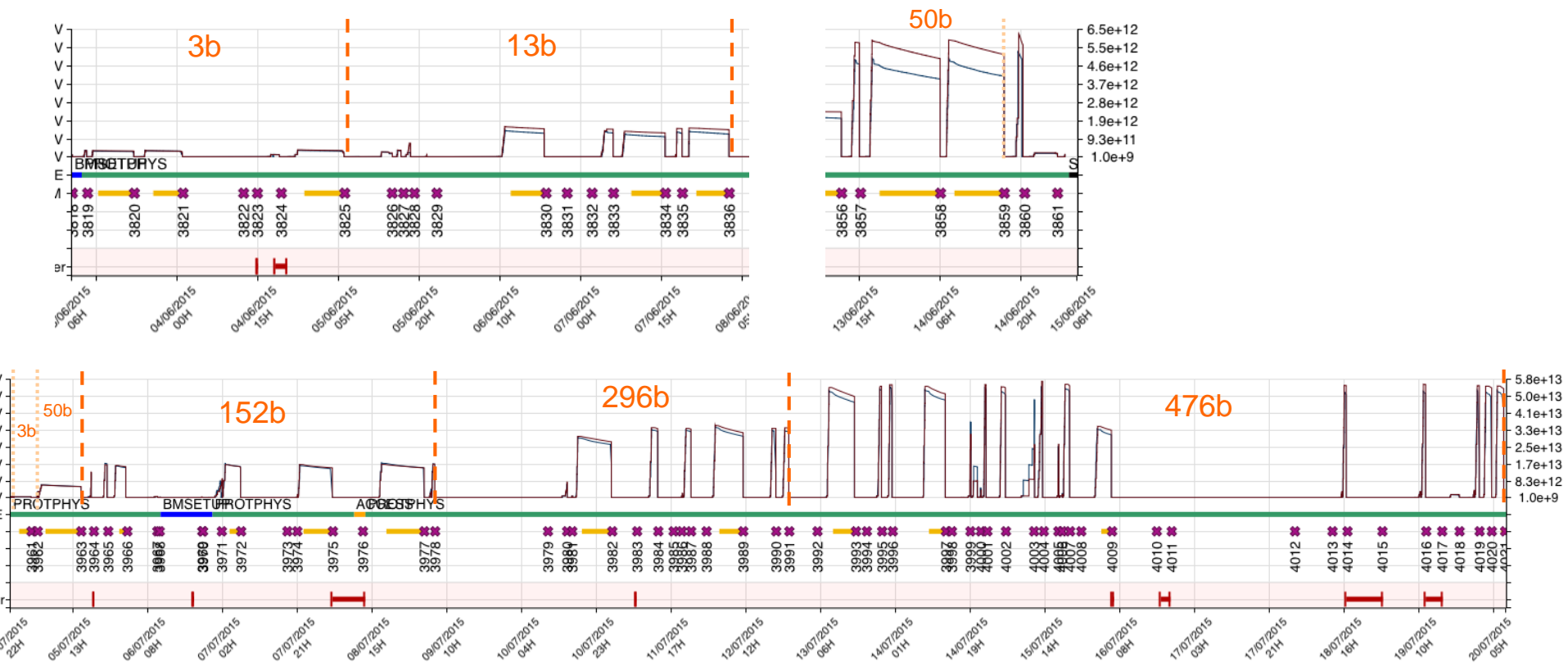
# Initial proposal for intensity ramp-up in 2015...

- 50ns (~9 steps to 1380b)
  - 3 – 12 – 48 – 144 – 288 - 480 –768 –1092 – 1236 – 1380
- 25ns (~11 steps to 2800b?!)
  - 3 – 12 - 48 – 72 - 144 – 288 – 432 - 588 –1164 –1740 – 2316 - 2748
- Updated – Proposal 25ns (MPP 04.08.)
  - 3 – 72 - 144 – 288 – 432 - 588 –1164 –1740 – 2316 – 2748
- Scrubbing run(s)
  - 3 – 48 – 72 - 144 – 288 – 400 – 600 – 800 – 1000,..

Scrubbing for 25 ns operation

	July			Aug				Sep					
Wk	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
Mo	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	VdM 24	31	7	14	21
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We	Leap second 1			MD 1						TS2			
Th		Intensity ramp-up with 50 ns beam					Intensity ramp-up with 25 ns beam				Jeune G		
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# 50ns Intensity ramp-up - Steps



- 6 intensity steps → 6 check-lists

# 50ns Intensity ramp-up - Issues

## Magnet Powering

- SEUs in QPS board for splice protection → trips of RBs sectors OR partial trip of sector by PIC due to intermittent opening of quench loop → beams dumped but RBs staid powered → **Replacement of boards** in TS2 AND activation of opening **13kA EE switches via SIS**.
- QPS\_OK flickering → **signal masked**
- Transient earth fault in RB.A78
- Earth fault in RCS.A78.B2 → **circuit condemned**

## Interlocks and PM

- **BIS: timing mis-alignment** between LHC and INJ BIC → done
- **Communication** problems between **BLM crates and SIS** (due to Ufo study buffer) → mitigated via **FESA class update**
- **UFO dumps** → intensity dependent

## RF

- Problems with phase loop caused beam to de-bunch → dump due to losses.

## Beam Instrumentation

- **Glitches of SBF** due to noise on one B2 DCCT → solved
- **BLM PM data missing** for R2, R3, and in IP6 → one fill with lower intensity. → solved via roll-back → **PM data collection module** being extended to check data collection and **send automatic emails**.

## Collimation

- Spurious **ALFA dump due to glitch of position** measurement (LVDT) → solution implemented, to be re-**discussed in next MPP**.
- **Resolver disabled** in TCTPH.4R2.B2, TCSG.A4L7.B2 → replaced?
- LVDT drifts on some collimators (~50um)
- Temperature sensor disabled on TCTPV.4R8.B2

## Operation and Feedbacks

- Problems with **QFB (50Hz lines)** → filter reviewed → solved
- **Orbit drifts** due to movement of triplet R8 → effect mitigated by slow orbit feedback in collision

## LBDS

- Asynchronous beam dump (MKD erratic B2, generator C) → generator exchanged
- BPMS software issues (FESA) prohibited to change interlock limits → solved
- XPOC: PM BLM data missing; TSU data arriving too late → solved

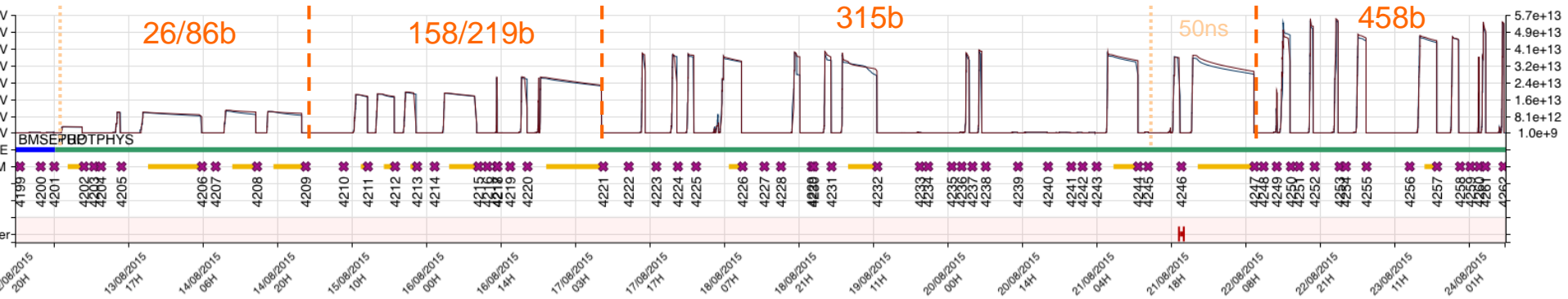
## Injection

- **Missing BPM capture data of injection oscillations** → improved but still issues visible → strategy to be discussed in next MPP

## Heating of Equipment

- **Decrease of bunch length at flat top**
- **TDI B2 temperatures increase steadily** during the fill
- **TCSP.A4R6.B1 shows a different thermal dynamics** than all other collimators

# 25ns Intensity ramp-up - Steps



- After re-commissioning following MD and scrubbing, 3 intensity steps → 3 check lists

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- Malfunction power supply in **EE switch** of RQTF.A56.B2
- **Beam induced quench** MB 8L6 due to UFO losses.
- **Trip of Undulator L4** due to slow increase of offset in U\_RES → sequencer check re-activated.

## Interlocks

- UFO dumps → Intensity dependent

## Collimation

- **Disabled temperature sensor** on TCLA.B5L3.B2 due to non-physical behavior.

## Operation

- **Instabilities**
- **Blow up of B1 bunches within the first ~300 buckets** → dumps when reaching detection limit of BPMs → Shift of filling pattern, BPMs to be run in high gain mode after TS2
- **BBQ-B1** gating on bunches with high gain → not usable below 2-3TeV
- Loss of cryo maintain in MS R8.

## LBDS

- MKD compensation power converter trip during ramp-down → replaced.

## Injection

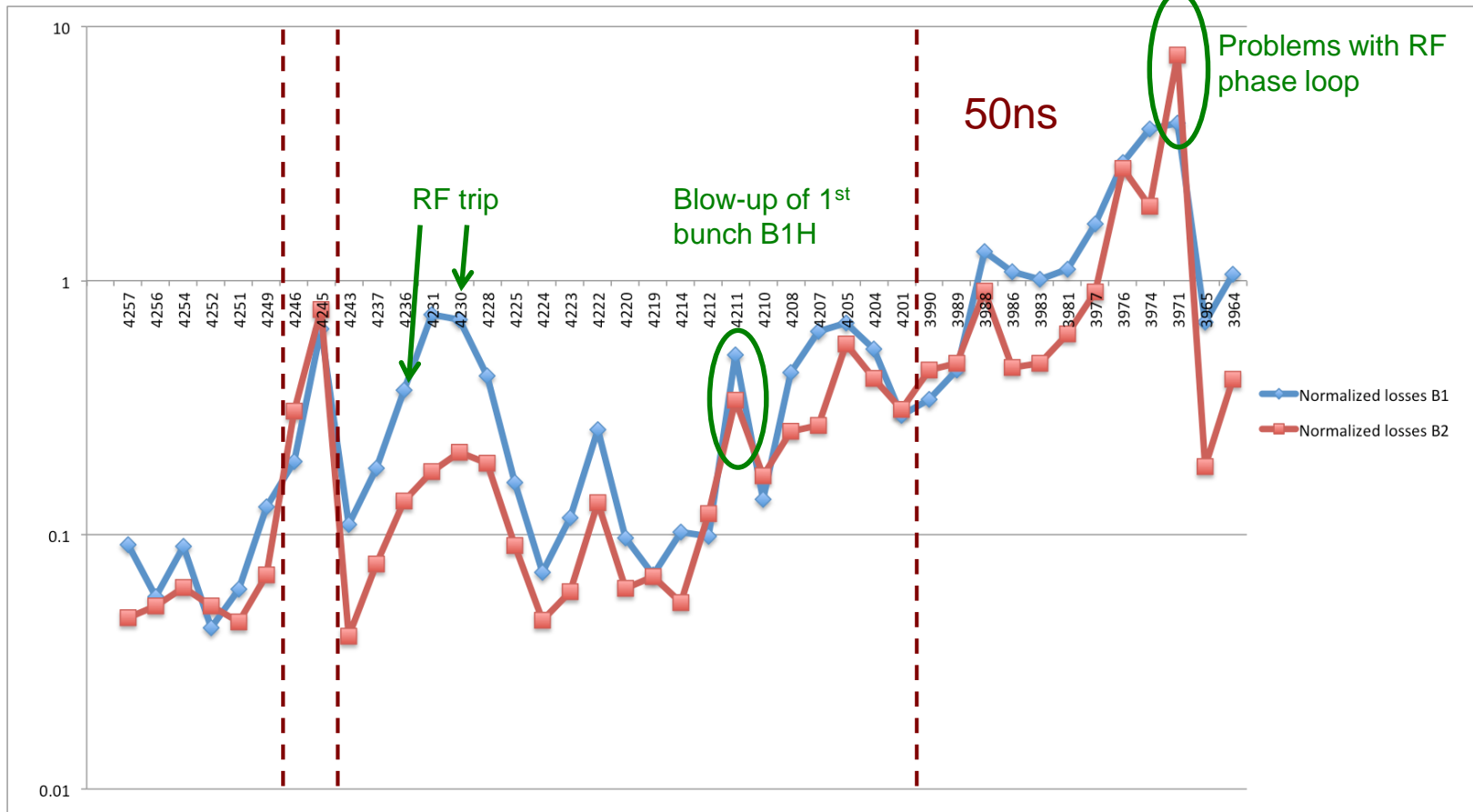
- Losses high in TI2 during injection of 12 and 24b trains.
- TDI at IP8 interlocked 3x going to injection settings → Seems electronics problem.

## Heating

**Decrease of bunch length** during fill.

- **Transients on sector 12** increasing with intensity: now 10 W on top of an heat load of 15 W. Abrupt transients appear after injection and disappear during the ramp on most sectors.
- TCSP.A4R6.B1 shows a **different thermal dynamics** than all other collimators. Temperature is increasing steadily during stable beam by 1 to 2 C and seems to be building up with short turnover.
- **TDI temperature reaching 80C.**
- TOTEM pressure increase in both 6L5 and 6R5 when moving roman pots in.

# Losses during dumps (intensity ramp up)



- **Losses** during the dump seem to **reduce over time**.
- 50ns fills have **factor 5-8 higher losses** during dump compared to 25ns fills.
- Analysis **ongoing** – to be understood.



# Restart and ramp-up after TS2

SET-UP				
	Full cycle	Probe	Full cycle - chromaticity measurement	shift
	Full cycle	2 nominals + N probes	Full cycle - check collisions	shift
	450 GeV	48b?	Injection set-up plus <b>lower vertical tune</b>	
VALIDATION				
	450 GeV	2 nominals + N probes	Full set of loss maps incl. asynch	4 hr
	FT	2 nominals + N probes	FT - loss maps - betatron and one off-momentum	4 hr
	EOS	2 nominals + N probes	EOS - loss maps - betatron	4 hr
	Adjust	2 nominals + N probes	async dump	2 shifts
BUCKET				
	450 GeV		Operation of interlocked BPMs in high gain	●
	SB		Injection kicker checks to get back to 900 ns	●
	450 GeV		Abort gap cleaning tests in physics	●
	450 GeV		TDI checks	●
	Collisions	72b on 72b	Injection cleaning and abort gap cleaning checks	
	FT	72 50 ns (2 x 36) B1	LRBB studies	shift
	FT	72 25 ns (2 x 36) B2	Instability checks	4 hr
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	Full cycle	Probes	beta* = 90 m - optics measurements...	1-2 shifts
	Comm fill		Commissioning of a few collimator BPMs	1 -2 hrs
RAMP-UP				
	SB	50 nominal	Stable beams	1 fill
	SB	200 nominal	Stable beams	1 fill
	450 GeV		Scrubbing re-validation	2 shifts
	SB	450 nominal	Stable beams	

## MPS tests / related:

- Virtual beta\* for TL collimators.
- TL steering & interlock to block inj of >12b in case of inj. oscillation.
- Redundant opening of 13kA switches by SIS due to PIC interlock.

## Further intensity ramp up:

- 450 - 750 - 1164 - 1740 - 2316 - 2748

# Conclusion

- 50ns intensity ramp up dominated by **hardware and software** issues in MP systems → **debugging** phase
- End of 50ns and 25ns more and more **intensity and beam related** issues.
- **Limitations around 500b** due to SEUs in QPS boards (→ TS mitigation) and UFOs (→ conditioning?)
- Losses during dump seem to **condition**. **25ns** fills show **significantly cleaner** dumps.
- **25ns intensity ramp-up to be continued** after TS2.
- A few **out-standing MPS tests** still to be performed.
- Filling of check lists went **extremely smooth**.



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