

Cycle with beam: analysis and improvements

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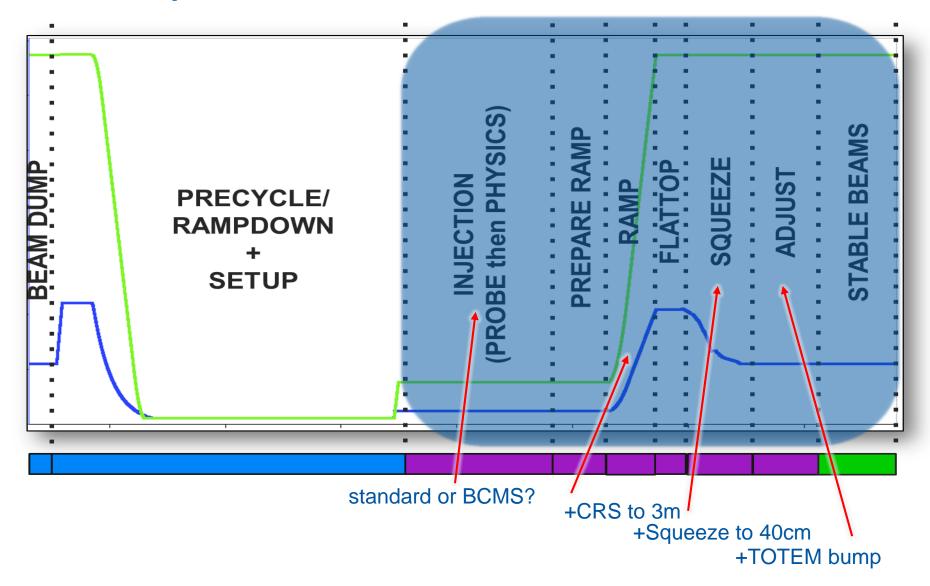
Outline

- Cycle phases analysis
- Historical comparison
- Changes ahead?
- Conclusions



LHC operational beam modes



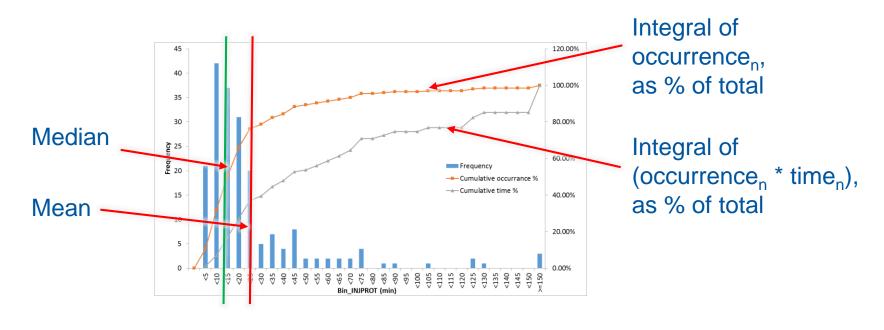




Beam Cycle analysis method

> Set of fills

- Only <u>proton</u> fills are considered
- Only physics fills that <u>arrived to Stable Beams</u>
- A total of 178 fills
- Beam mode declaration time is used (from logging DB)



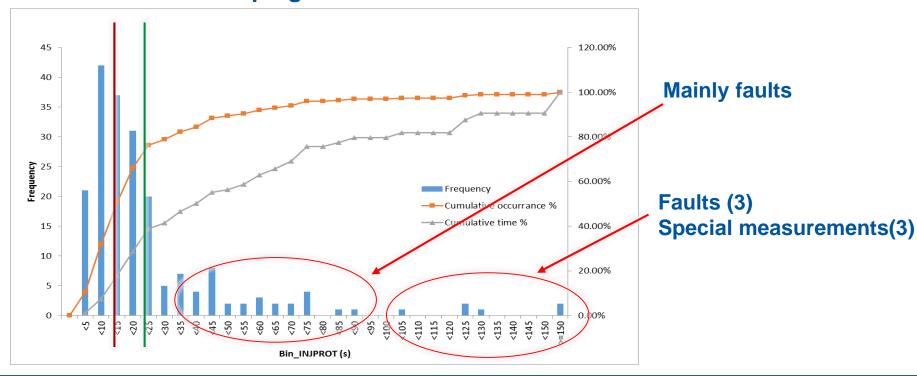


Injection (pilots)

WHAT WE DO

- **✓ Pilot injection**
- √ Q & Q' & coupling correction
- √ Frequency phase adjustment
- ✓ Orbit correction
- ✓ Landau damping off-on for BBQ







Injection (physics)

WHAT WE DO

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- ✓ Inject 1/12 b ("pilot"), sometimes TL steering
- ✓ Inject up to 96b
- ✓ Wire scanner
- √ Fill the machine
- ✓ Close INJ handshake
- ✓ Start moving injection protection out



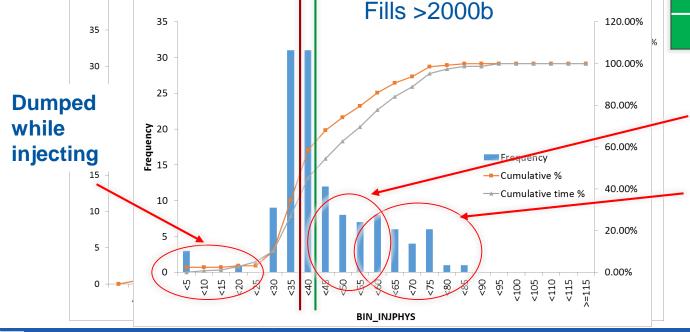
MEAN	MEDIAN		
39.2 min	37.0 min		

Fills >2000b

MEAN	MEDIAN		
42.1 min	37.8 min		

Beam Quality (BQM)

Faults and machine setup

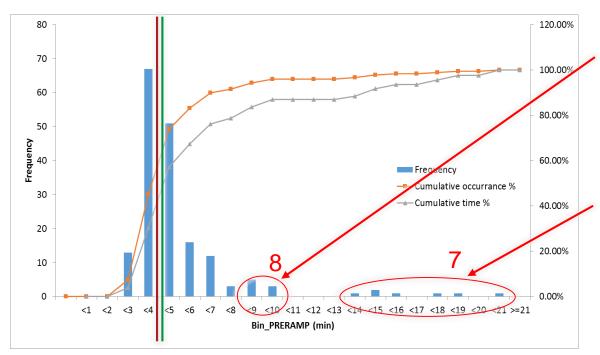




Prepare Ramp

WHAT WE DO

- ✓ Change feedback references
- √ Settings incorporation
- √ Settings loading (RF, PC, COLL)



MEAN	MEDIAN	
4.9 min	4.2 min	

Outliers are predominantly problem solving

Cryo (1)
No issue identified (4)
Qtrim ref mismatch (2)
Collimator ref mismatch (1)

MD (1)
Cryo (1)
Qfb noise (2)
Slow incorporation (1)
ADT from sequencer (1)
Qtrim ref mismatch (1)

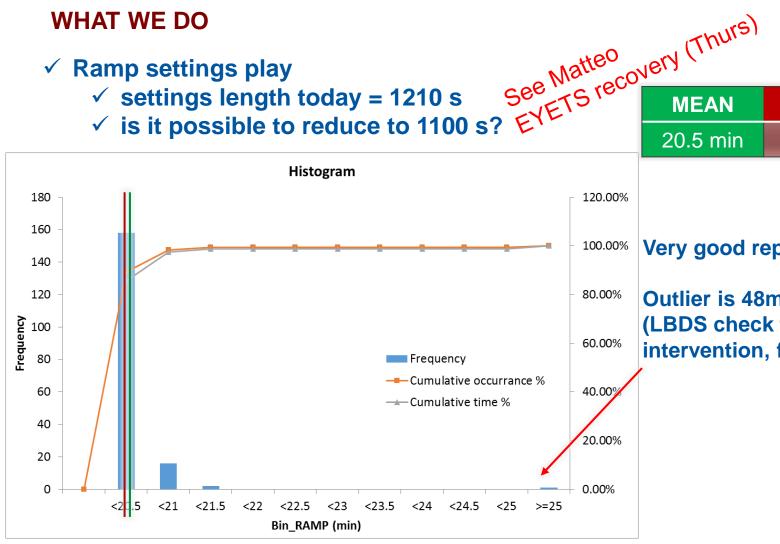


Ramp

WHAT WE DO

- √ Ramp settings play

MEAN	MEDIAN		
20.5 min	20.4 min		



Very good reproducibility

Outlier is 48min long (LBDS check following intervention, fill 5274)

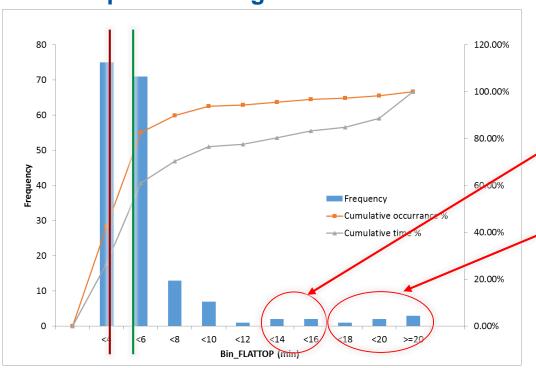


Flattop

WHAT WE DO

- √ FB reference change
- √ Q change settings load and play
- √ FB reference change for squeeze
- ✓ Settings incorporation
- √ Squeeze settings load





Unexplained (2)
Long regeneration (1)
FBCT checks for VdM (1)

VdM scans @ 40cm (2) Study (3) VdM scans @ 24m (1)

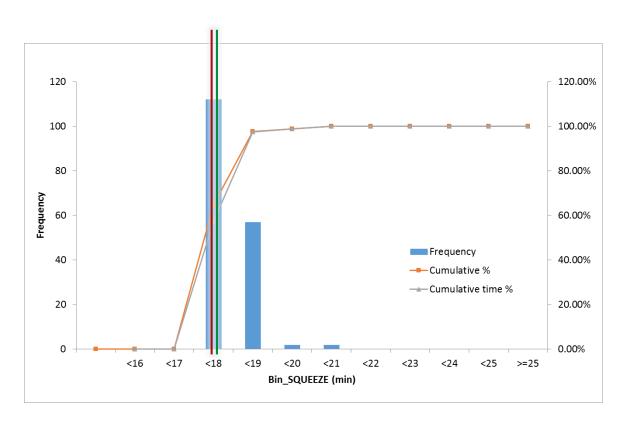


Squeeze

WHAT WE DO

√ Squeeze setting play

MEAN	MEDIAN	
18.1 min	18.0 min	



Very good reproducibility

Note: does not include data from 4 VdM scans (CRS to 24m)

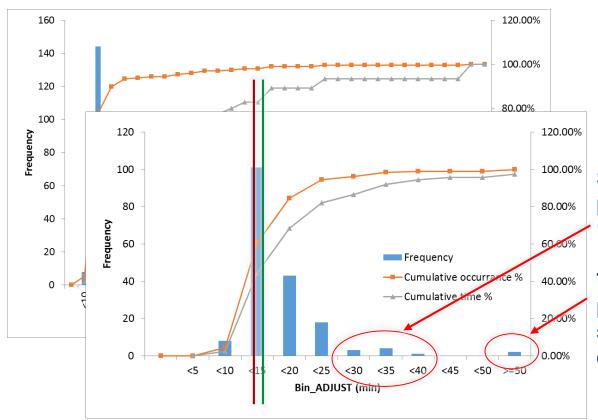
Reminder: squeeze to 40cm (80cm in 2015)



Adjust

WHAT WE DO

- √ 'TOTEM' Bump
- ✓ Setting incorporation and play
- ✓ Optimization of IP1/5



All data:

MEAN	MEDIAN	
22.7 min	14.6 min	

Removing 15x EoF MDs:

MEAN	MEDIAN	
16.1 min	14.1 min	

Slow regeneration, problematic lumi publication, 'quick checks'

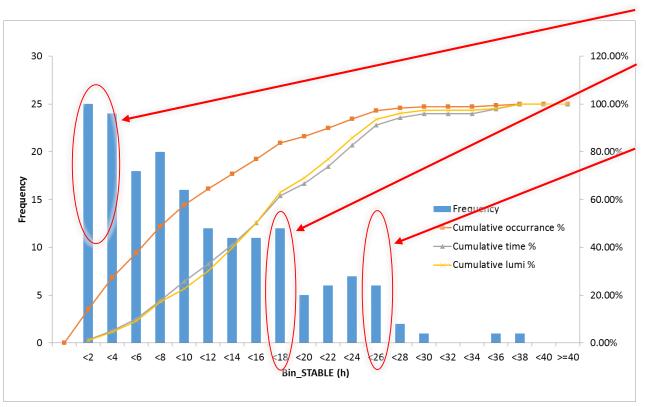
78min: BPMs interlocking prevent declaration of SB 53min: Where are the

collisions? (CMS bump in 5R)



Stable Beams





Includes intensity ramp-up

Dump standard beam after ~14-16hrs

Dump BCMS beam after ~22-24hrs



2016 vs 2015

	AVG 2015	AVG 2016	Diff	Comment
INJECTION	72 min	65.6 min	-6.4 min	(for >2000b). A little better
PREPARE RAMP	10 min	4.9 min	-5.1 min	Getting better
RAMP	20 min	20.5 min	+0.5 min	
FLATTOP	5.9 min	5.6 min	-0.3 min	
SQUEEZE	15.7 min	18.1 min	+2.4 min	Added Beta* from 80cm to 40cm
ADJUST	13.7 min	16.1 min	+2.4 min	We added the 'Totem Bump'
STABLE	5.7 hours	10.0 hours	+4.3 hrs	
Total	137.3 min + 5.7 hours	129.0 min + 10.0 hours	-6.5 min +4.3 hours	Not bad



Measured v Theory

- The machine is 'fully loaded' during the following beam processes.
 - The faster the better!

Beam Mode	Median (A)	Beam process (B)	Setup (A-B)	Comment	Target 2017?
PRERAMP	4.2 min	0 min	4.2 min	Can we optimize sequencer?	
RAMP	20.4 min	20.1 min	0.3 min	Can we save 100s in ramp?	
FLATTOP	4.2 min	0.3 min	3.9 min	Setup for Qchange and Squeeze included in flattop	
SQUEEZE	18.0 min	17.5 min	0.5 min	Options available to reduce this.	
ADJUST	14.1 min	5.1 min (150s + 45s + 110s)	9.0 min	Includes Totem bump and IP optimization	
Total	60.9 min	43 min	17.9 min		



CRS

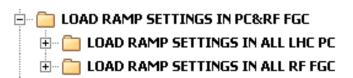
- In 2016 we ran with a Combined Ramp and Squeeze that delivered proton beams to flattop with 3m Beta*
 - Chosen because first point when optics corrections may be required.
 - Conservative approach for first year
 - Requires a subsequent squeeze of 1050s to reach 40cm
- For 2017 should we go lower in the ramp?
 - **1.0 m Beta*** will gain ~150s
- Actual squeeze is in particular limited by Q6 either side of IP1 and IP5
 - Can we learn from the ATS optics experience?
 - Updating the standard optics could gain a further ~500s
 - What about moving the Qchange to the end of squeeze?
- So we could go for a more aggressive standard CRS+squeeze!
- Or we could just go for ATS

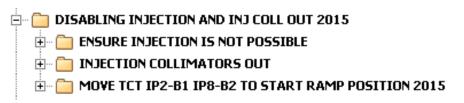




Sequencer

- Big role in the reproducibility and integrity of the machine
- At injection the faster we can start the ramp, the better the beam quality
 - Can loading of PC and RF be made in parallel?
 - Can loading and driving of injection collimators be made in parallel?





- Another area where we could gain time is finding collisions
 - Do we keep the TOTEM bump?
 - Should we collide all IPs together in 2017?
- Some other observations from 2016
 - Slow incorporation → solved by improving LSA cache
 - Should these be pre-calculated for the entire BP during the ramp?
 - Can calculation of OFB optics by the BFSU be quicker?



Putting it all together

Beam Mode	Median (A)	Beam process (B)	Setup (A-B)	Comment	(Median) Target 2017?
PRERAMP	4.2 min	0 min	4.2 min	Can we optimize sequencer?	3 min
RAMP	20.4 min	20.1 min	0.3 min	Can we save 100s in ramp?	19 min
FLATTOP	4.2 min	0.3 min	3.9 min	Setup for Qchange and Squeeze included in flattop	4 min
SQUEEZE	18.0 min	17.5 min	0.5 min	Options available to reduce this.	7 min
ADJUST	14.1 min	5.1 min (150s + 45s + 110s)	9.0 min	Includes Totem bump and IP optimization	7 min
Total	60.9 min	43 min	17.9 min		40 min



Conclusions

- > 2016 was an excellent year
 - Data shows improvements for all beam cycles
- There is still room for efficiency improvement, but the gains are diminishing:
 - ✓ Injection is the biggest overhead
 - ✓ Changing the CRS and squeeze offers the biggest gain
 - ✓ More parallelization/optimisation for some sequencer tasks?
- ➤ We know how to find up to 30% efficiencies once the machine is filled
 - √ 'Just' leaves the beam injection process still to be optimised

