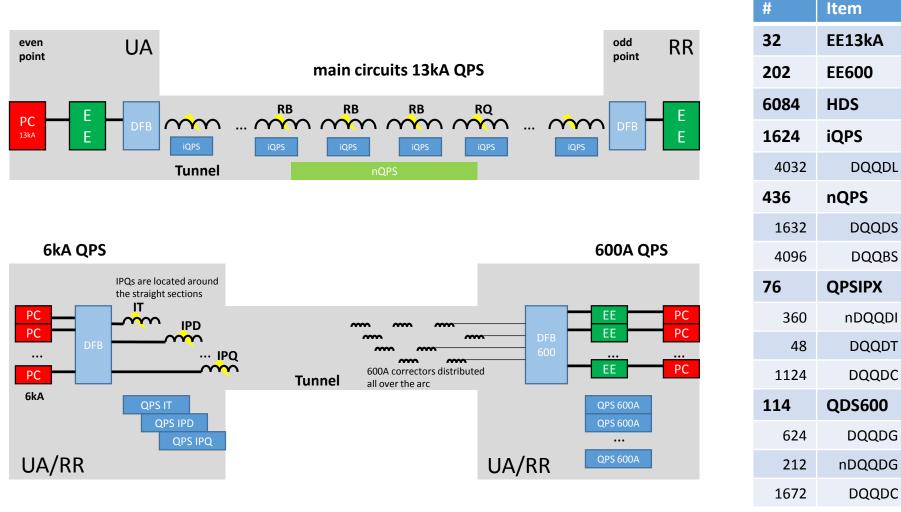
QPS performance 2016

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Topics

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QPS overview



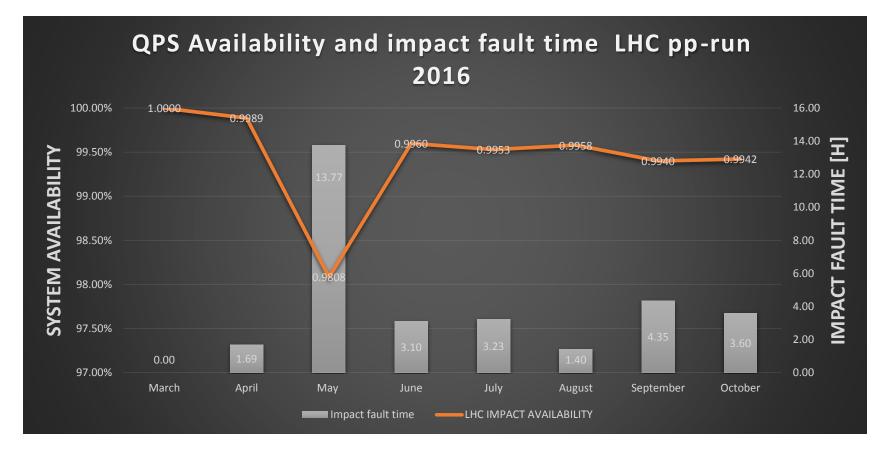
- ~14000 hardware interlocking circuit boards → Numerous possibilities to stop LHC
- ~29000 active circuit boards (excluding EE) → MTBF per element : ~4Mh

Main Elements

Changes/Activities YETS 2015/16

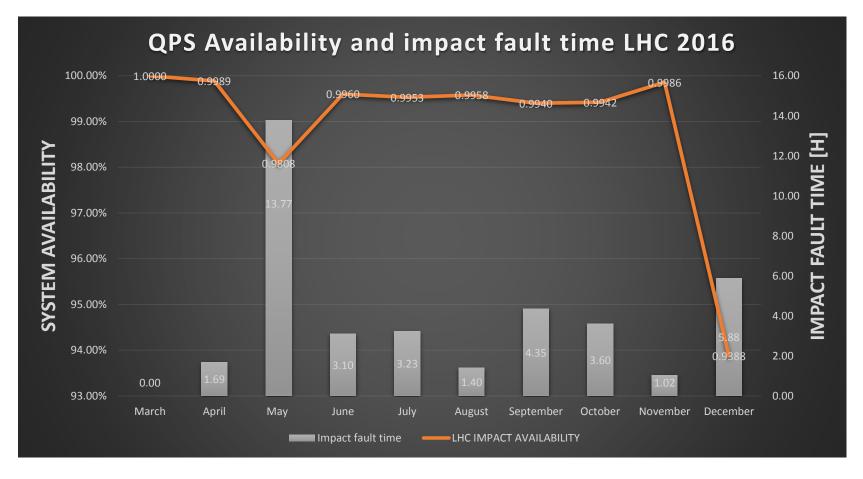
- Replaced 600A quench detectors type DQQDG with rad-tol version nDQQDG in RR13/17, RR53/57, RR73/77
- Upgraded RU-circuits to nDQQDG and DCCT for current measurement
- Firmware updates for nQPS systems (436 crates all sectors) enhancing stability of local communication & fault management
- Annual maintenance of all 13kA EE systems
- Maintenance of 600A EE systems showing signs of degradation

Performance 2016 p-p run



- Average availability for proton run: 99.49%
- Target availability: 98% (promised in Chamonix 2016 → 120h downtime → rank 4 !)
- Mean LHC impact fault time: 3.9h per month

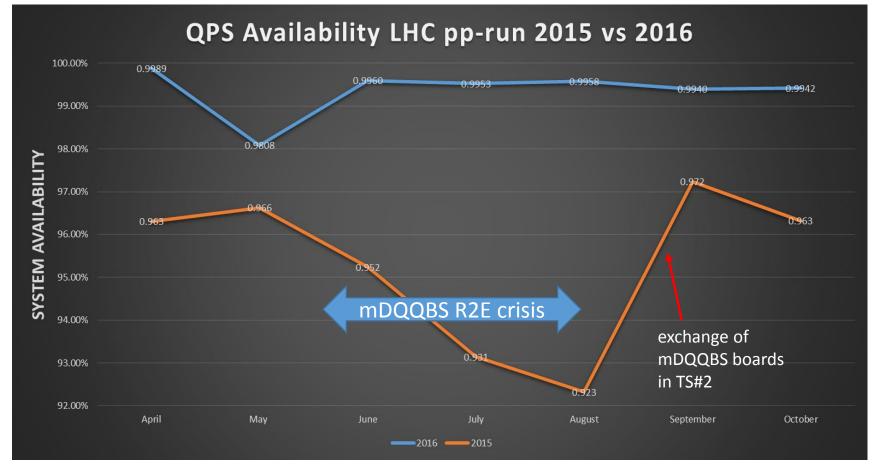
Performance 2016 total



→ December had only 4 days of operation:

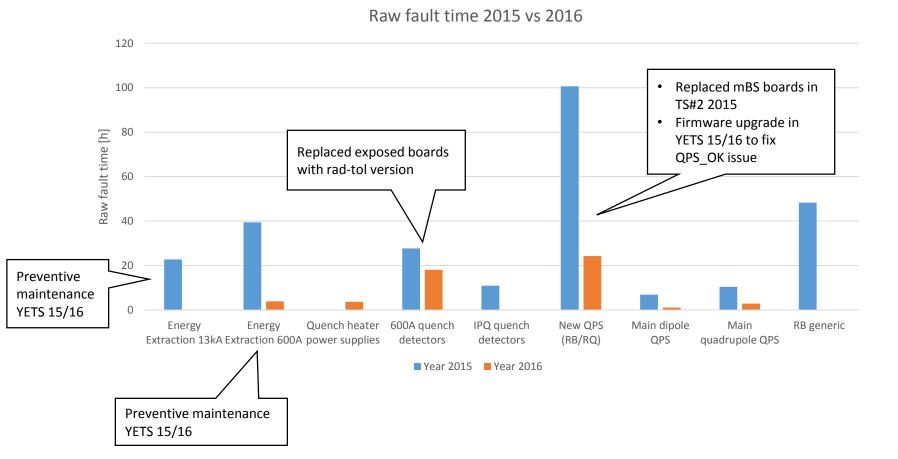
5.9h impact fault time lead to an availability of 93.8%...

Comparison 2015 vs 2016



- Significantly improved availability in 2016
- mDQQBS (CSCM splice monitor boards) R2E crisis in 2015

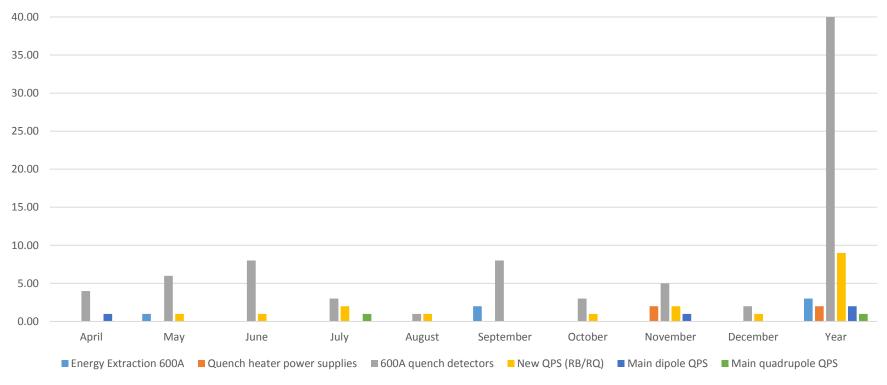
Fault time evolution 2015 to 2016



- Only a few, but effective interventions in YETS 15/16
- Improved raw fault time by 80% in 2016 !

Raw faults by system 2016

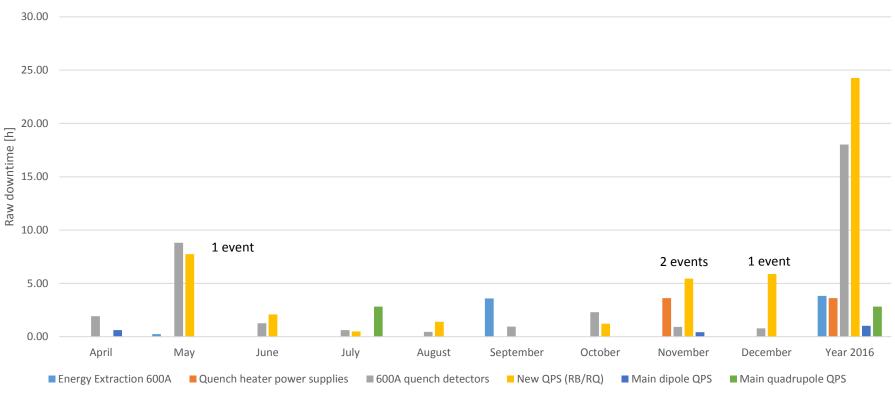
RAW Fault occurrence by system (Total 57 faults)



- Top runner in frequency: 600A (lots of short trips)
- nQPS communication issues 2nd (9 cases)
- EE600 third (3 cases...)

Raw fault time by system 2016

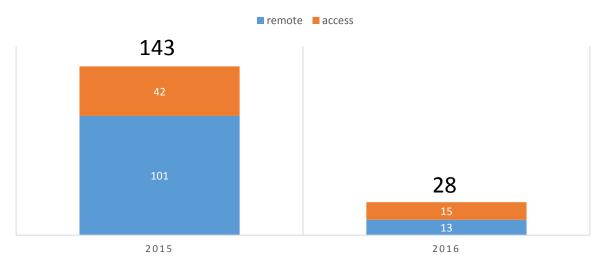
RAW Fault time by system (Total raw fault time: 53.8h)



- nQPS first, mostly loop/communication issues (24.2h)
 - Event in may was caused by a triple fault requiring a long access
- QDS600 2nd despite being first in occurrence (18h)
- EE600 3rd basically caused by two events in September (3.8th)

MPE piquet in 2016

OF PIQUET INTERVENTIONS 2015 VS 2016



- Decrease in piquet interventions scaled with decrease in raw faults ~80% less in 2016
- Remote accesses decreased over proportionally due to the modified QPS_OK behaviour of nQPS (does not block restart of sector anymore)

600A quench detectors in detail

- Some faults aftermath of R2E upgrade in YETS 2015/16
 - Undulator QPS cabling
 - Filter settings of the new detectors
 → decay throughout the year
- Main source for 600A FPA : global interlock
- O-xing induced trips dominated by only two circuits (46 oo 52 trips during ramp down and precycle)
 - Corrective actions by MPE & EPC in preparation
- Plan to improve EMC shielding on current sensor cables to reduce trips
- Further analysis of OFB and triplet correctors ongoing
 → Chamonix

Radiation to electronics

- No R2E-induced faults of quench detectors in 2016
 - Upgrade of the exposed 600A quench detectors successful !
- No R2E-induced system triggers during pp-run 2016
 - System reached nominal state in terms of rad tolerance
- Two suspicious events during ion-p run
 - Crate controllers of nQPS in B8L8 & B9R1 in fault
 - Complete analysis pending
 - First investigation shows no abnormal radiation levels in these locations
 - "Normal" hardware fault not excluded
 - Closer investigation in tunnel during EYETS

EYETS 2016/2017 activities

- Optimize 600A quench detectors cabling (shielding)
- Try to improve 0-xing spike trips of 600A detectors
- Work on further mitigations to nQPS internal communication loss issue

Don't fix what's not broken

Upgrades in LS2

- Renovation (replacement) of the main quad QPS base layer (392 crates type DQLPUB)
 - Remote power cycle
 - Interlock loop monitoring
 - Quench heater supervision
 - New digital quench detectors
 - Improved PM timing
 - driven by long term QPS maintenance plan (upgrade in LS3 not feasible due to HL-LHC activities)
- Start of HL-LHC with 11T protection systems

Conclusions

- System has reached its nominal configuration in 2016
- Excellent R2E performance during pp run (0 faults) Two unconfirmed events during ion run
- Faults induced by massive upgrades in LS1 have decayed (cables & connectors, cards not properly inserted etc...)
- YETS 15/16 interventions significantly improved system availability
- No major changes foreseen prior LS2
- Challenge to keep & improve excellent performance of 2016 in the future !

Thank you !

Questions?