# Beam lifetime & (d)BLMs

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  - : loss rate [p/s]

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- : quench limit [p/m/s]
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#### Beam lifetime could be used as an indicator of the machine performance

← precise measurement of the **beam loss rate in p/s** is needed

$$\tau = -\frac{\Delta t}{\ln\left(1 - \frac{R_{loss} \times \Delta t}{N_{tot}}\right)}$$

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### Other devices such as beam loss monitors could be used for this measurement and have additional advantages for the measurement of the proton loss rate.











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#### **Result of algorithm:**

- 1) Loss rate in protons per second
- 2) Identification of losses in:
  - IR3
  - IR7
- 3) Identification of loss plane for betatronic losses:
  - Vertical
  - Horizontal



# Usage of BLM



#### Examples of usage of BLM data calibration and decomposition

- Analysis of regular fills in 2016
  - Beam lifetime analysis for Run I and Run II
  - Study of losses during crossing angle change
- LRBB limits (change of crossing angle)
- Study of lifetime drop during squeeze at 1.4m beta-star
- Study of losses during collisions











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Max. loss (p)

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2200 ×10<sup>6</sup> 2000 Beam 1 1800 Beam 2 1600 1400 1200 1000 800 600 340 280 300 320 Crossing Angle (µrad)

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#### Several units installed in the LHC:

**Injection/Extraction and IR7** 

In IR7, measuring circulating beam losses:

Beam 1 TCP (TimeLossHist, Waveform)Beam 2 TCP (TimeLossHist)Beam 1 Crystal (TimeLossHist)





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