Overview of the beams from the injectors

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Introduction

- Two main objectives for the injectors
- Maximize beam brightness
 - Minimization of space charge effects
 - Emittance preservation (see talk F. Tecker)
- Longitudinal distribution control
 - Bunch spacing definition
 - Batch spacing definition (see talk F. Velotti)



Reminder of main constraints

- Limit in brightness delivered by the PSB
 - The transverse emittance depends linearly on the intensity (brightness curve)
- Limit in longitudinal emittance extracted from PSB
 - Rise time of the recombination kickers
 - Blow-up observed at PS injection for large momentum spread
- Space charge on the PS flat bottom
 - Large tune spread, limited by resonances
 - Need to keep bunch intensity low to preserve brightness
- Longitudinal emittance at PS extraction set to 0.35 eVs
 - To keep losses small in the SPS and for longitudinal stability purposes



























Beam brightness in PSB



- Switch to 8b4e type beam to cope with LHC vacuum issues in 16L2, then switch to BCS 8b4e to maximize beam brightness
- Follows the expected brightness curve
- The intensity was varied in the range 105e10-130e10 for the 8b4e beam to find the right balance for the LHC



Limitation diagram for 2017 beams



1.15e11 / 2.5 um

1.15e11 / 1.7 um

1.25e11 / 1.15 um

• Performance in 2017 close to limitations

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 The BCS type beam pushes the performance close to space charge limitations in SPS



Summary of 2017 performance

	Intensity [1e11 p/b]	Emittance [um]	pattern
25 ns standard (like 2017)	1.15	2.5 (<mark>2.4</mark>)	1-4 x 72 → 288
25 ns standard (high intensity)	1.30	2.8 (2.7)	1-4 x 72 → 288
25 ns BCMS (like 2017)	1.15	1.7 (1.4)	1-3 x 48 → 144
25 ns BCMS (high intensity)	1.30	1.9 (1.6)	1-3 x 48 → 144
8b4e standard (like 2017)	1.20	1.8 (1.6)	1-3 x 56 → 168
8b4e standard (high intensity)	1.60	2.4 (2.1)	1-3 x 56 → 168
8b4e BCS (like 2017)	1.25	1.15 (1.0)	1-4 x 32 → 128
8b4e BCS (high intensity)	1.60	1.55 (1.2)	1-4 x 32 → 128

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- Blue: expected achievable emittance (see talk of F. Tecker on emittance preservation)
- The achievable intensity could be pushed to 1.4e11 in the SPS during MDs, but with degraded beam quality



Expectations for 2018

- Overall, the beam parameters for 2018 are expected to be comparable to the ones obtained in 2017. There is small margin for bunch intensity increase
- Another beam is available and could be considered for 2018
 - ➢ BCS, 25 ns variant
- Many studies were performed in 2017 in the framework of the LHC Injector Upgrade project. The results could contribute in improvement of the injector performance during the 2018 run



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- Longitudinal emittance control is a key tool for space charge mitigation
- Phase noise injection in C02 for longitudinal emittance blow-up is under study as an alternative to present method using phase modulation in C16
- In 2017 method was successful used in tests to reach all required longitudinal emittances



BCS beam, 25 ns variant



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- The BCS beam has the highest potential in brightness (PS splitting ratio: 4)
- A 25 ns variant is possible for this beam and was tested in 2017 (pure batch compression)
- This beam can be used in 2018 if found relevant (see talk of F. Velotti for batch spacing and V. Vlachodimitropoulos for hardware limitations)

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Low chromaticity and transverse feedback in PS

- The transverse feedback can be used instead of linear coupling and high chromaticity to mitigate beam instability on the flat bottom
- Lower chromaticity gives more flexibility on the working point
- The horizontal emittance is unchanged (dominated by blow-up at injection), but the vertical emittance is reduced by 10-15% on the flat bottom

SPS injection losses

Optimum at V_{200} =4.5MV for Q20 (operational setting)

- Identified reasons for capture losses in the SPS
 - > Tails in the injected longitudinal particle distribution
 - Limited SPS momentum aperture
 - Beam loading in the 200 MHz RF system
- Studies in new optics (Q22): more bucket area available for the same RF voltage together with slightly larger momentum aperture
- Lower longitudinal emittance possible in PS and reduces losses in SPS, but
 - leads to longitudinal instability and issues with controlled emittance blow-up in SPS
- Post-acceleration in PS to shave the longitudinal tails ("controlled" losses)

Conclusions

- Various beams can be produced by the injectors to find a compromise between beam brightness and number of bunches extracted from the SPS.
- The injectors are flexible and were able in 2017 to cope with the requests from the LHC in (reasonably) small delay, while keeping the beam performance close to limitations
- The expected beam performance are expected to be similar in 2018, and it is reminded that the 25 ns BCS beam exist as a high brightness variant to the BCMS beam
- Studies performed during 2017 in the frame of the LIU project can slightly improve the injectors performance but may require more time to be applicable in operation

Menu for 2018

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