



Experience from LHC Powering Tests Campaign “Before LS2”

Campaign **[Active]**:
Before LS2

118 Systems

116 Tests

76 Successes



65% Successful

Outline

- What was planned (*M&M*)
- Trainings on main dipoles
- Heater provoked quenches on selected MBs
- Trainings on main quadrupoles
- Series of FPAs on the RB and RQD/F circuits
- ~~Findings: couplings, high diode lead resistances, ...~~
- Concluding remarks (*M&M*)

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Planning of powering to 7 TeV

- **Dipole training** for RB.A12
 - **Quadrupole training** for all RQD/F
 - **IPQs & IPDs training** to 7 TeV equivalent current
 - **IT IP1/5** to 7 TeV equivalent current
 - **600A**
 - Test of few circuits with suspected reduced performance
 - Check of increased performance for octupoles and sextupoles
 - **Special tests:**
 - Series of FPA on the RBs
 - Series of FPA on the RQD/F
 - Few provoked quenches on selected RBs
 - Investigation on problematic circuits (RCO/RCS)
 - Check of new di/dt sensor on some circuits
- } + margin

**Dense planning, made challenging by the electrical power cut
(almost 3 days lost!)**

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LHC Magnet Circuits, Powering and Performance Panel - MP3

Circuit Tree

- LHC CIRCUITS
 - MAIN DIPOLE
 - MAIN QUADRUPOLE
 - IT
 - IPQ
 - IPD
 - 600 A EE
 - 600 A no EE
 - 600 A no EE crowbar
 - 80-120 A
 - 60 A
 - WARM
 - EXPERIMENTS

Data and database

- MTF
- Layout Database
- Timber
- APEX Database from TN
- APEX Database from GN
- ELQA database
- Entities and signals naming
- GIS Machine map

MP3 Team

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Circuit Information

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Powering Tests

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Interesting Links

- [LBOC committee](#)
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Latest schedule: See attachment below

Mission

- Identify, track and document all important issues and non-conformities related to the superconducting magnets system. First priorities are issues that appear during operation, and that are mainly observed by the COMS team, MPE-piquet or OP during beam operation and then transferred to MP3. Second priorities are past issues since the first HWC in 2008, especially those that are still open, that will be documented in the same way as new issues.
- Set-up of a database for the management of exceptions related to the magnet circuits.
- Solve or mitigate all pending issues related to the magnet circuits.
- If not enough expertise is available among the members, then seek contribution from the competent groups (mainly MPE, MSC and EPC).
- For larger issues, call for separate task forces.
- If needed, open and close non-conformities.
- If needed, give recommendations for future operation, or for additional testing (in the machine and/or in SM18).
- Report to TE-TM and LS1 Coordination Committee on electrical performance and all critical magnet circuit issues, in particular involving inter-group responsibilities.
- Assist to the definition and revision of procedures for the powering of all main ring magnet circuits.
- Set-up and run the CCC support team during the "hardware commissioning" campaign.

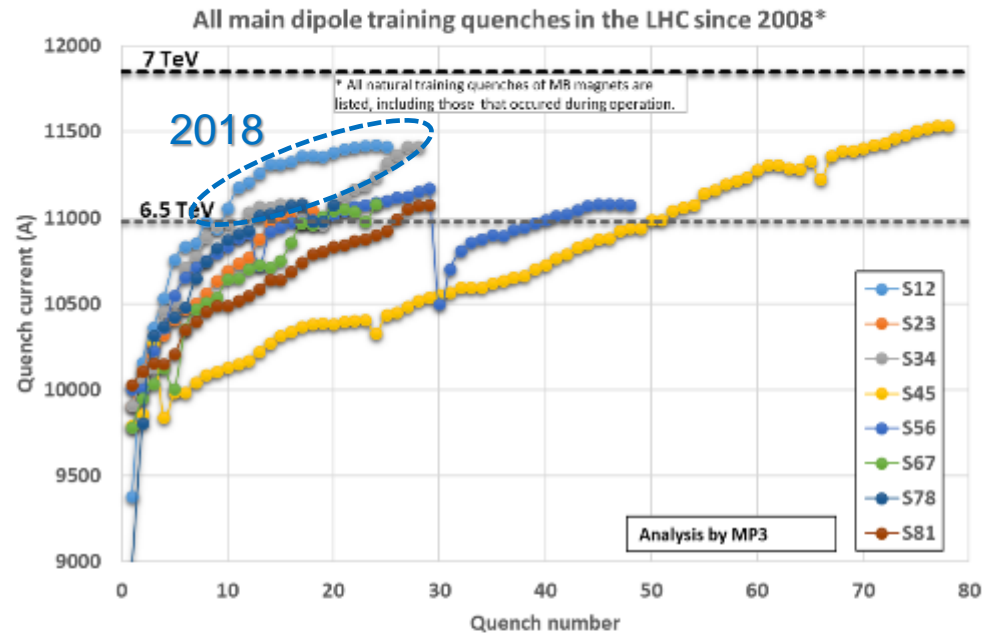
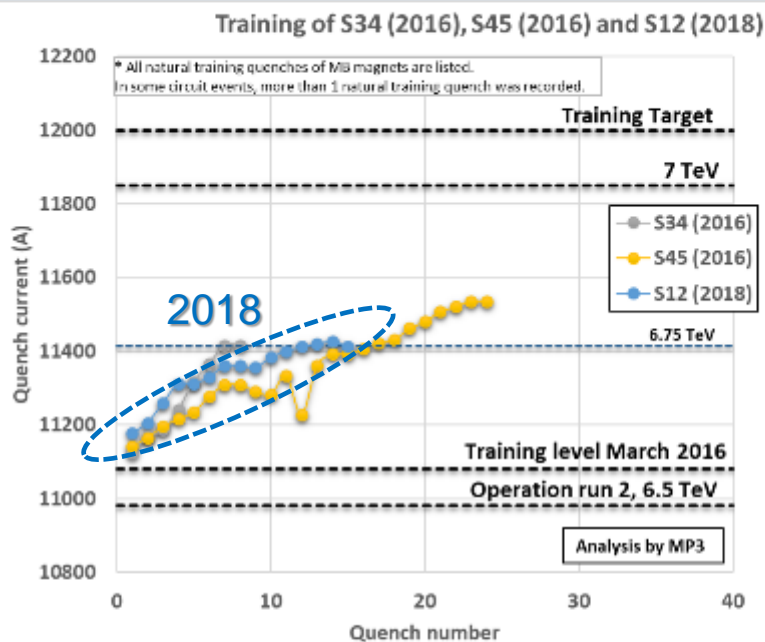
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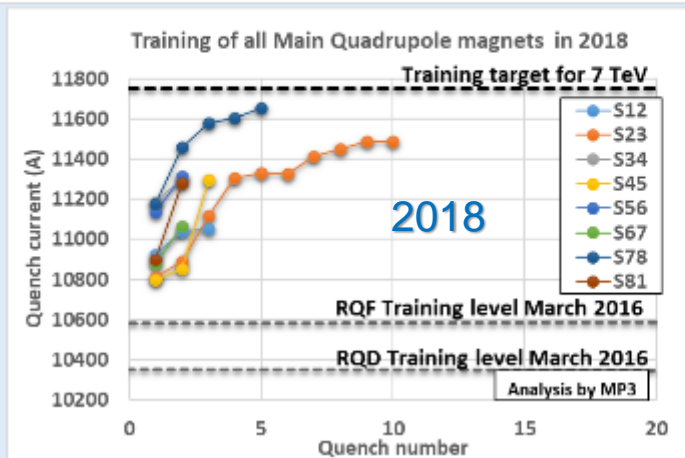


Main Magnet Training above 6.5 TeV

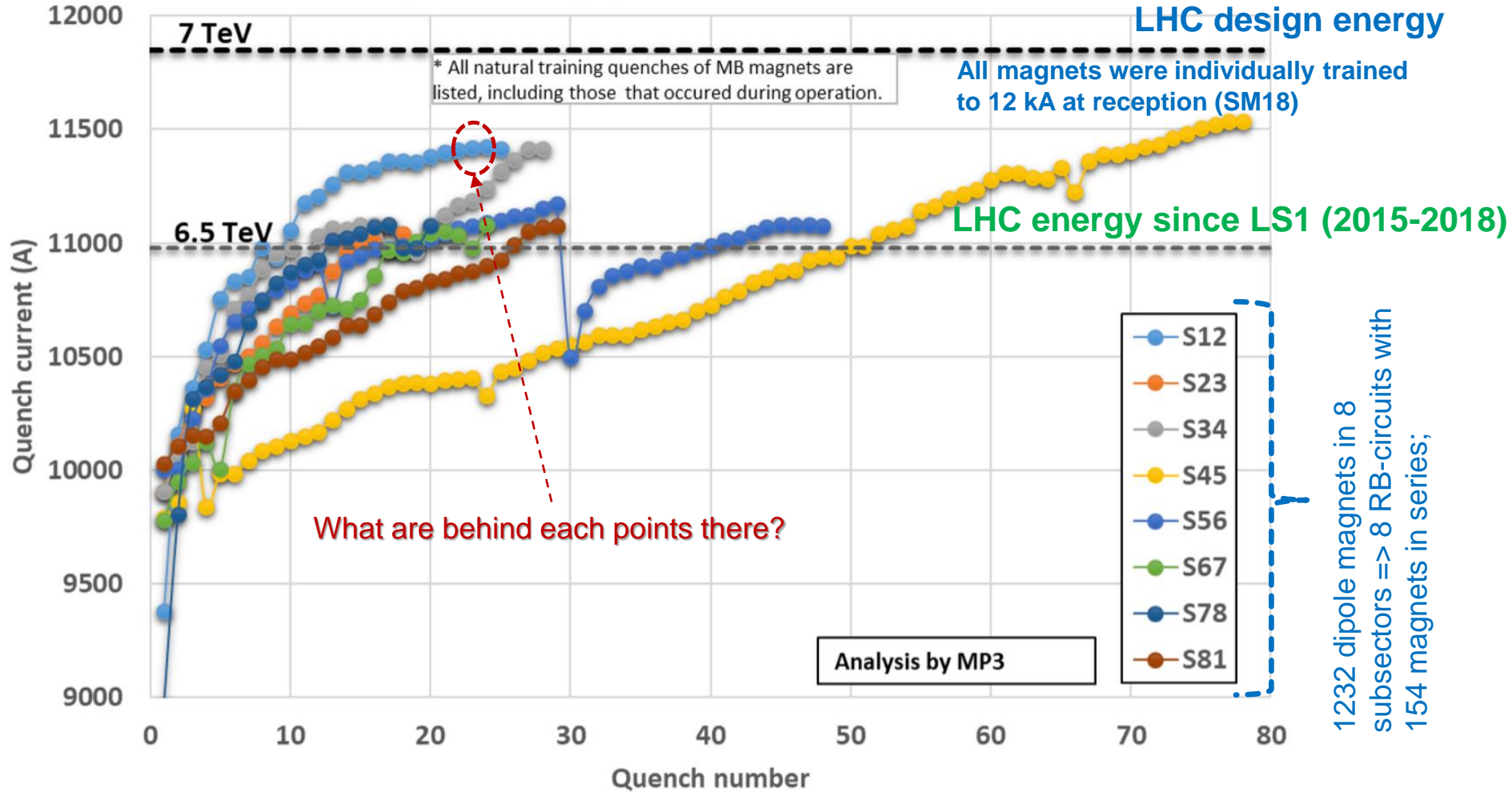
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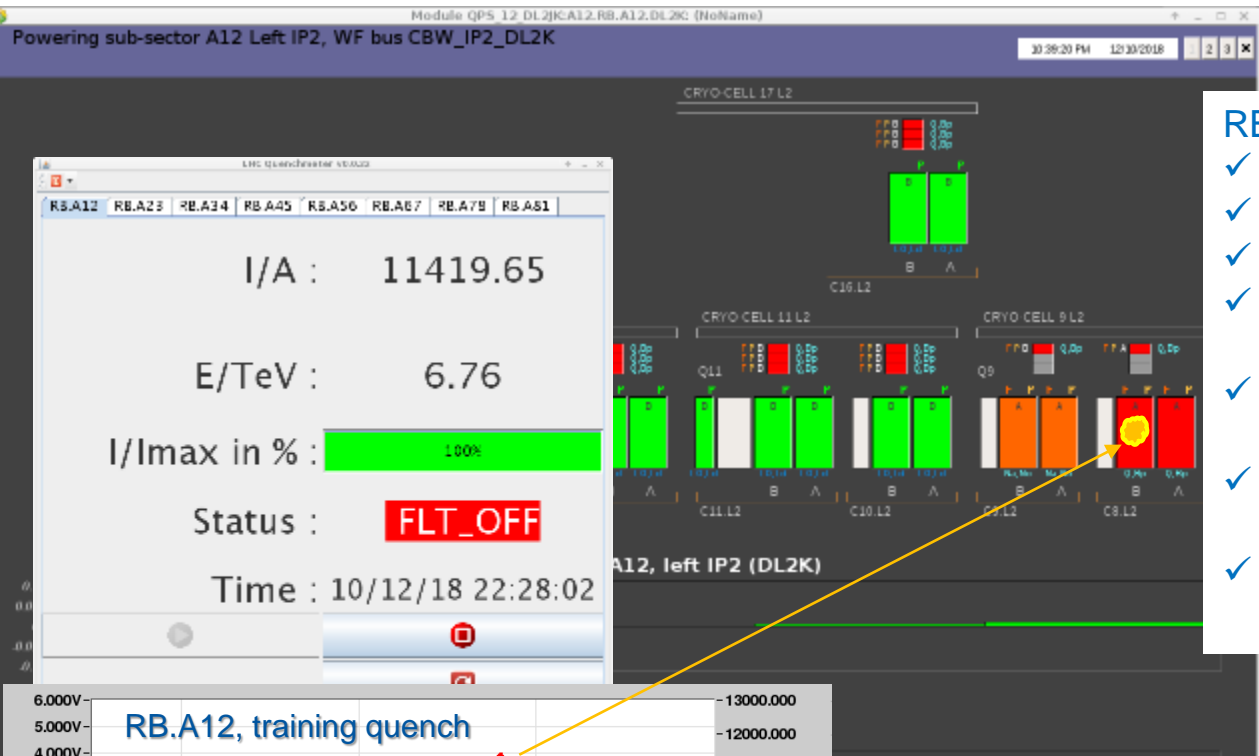


- ✓ All MB-quenches in the LHC since 2008;
- ✓ Individual plots represent 8 RB-circuits;
- ✓ MQ-quenches started since this campaign;

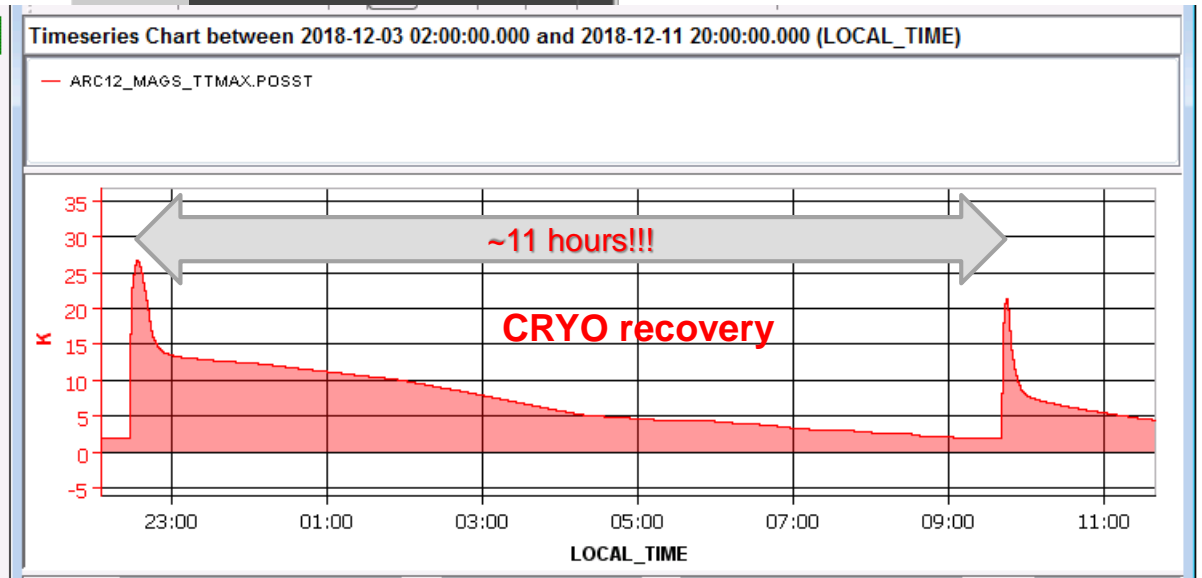
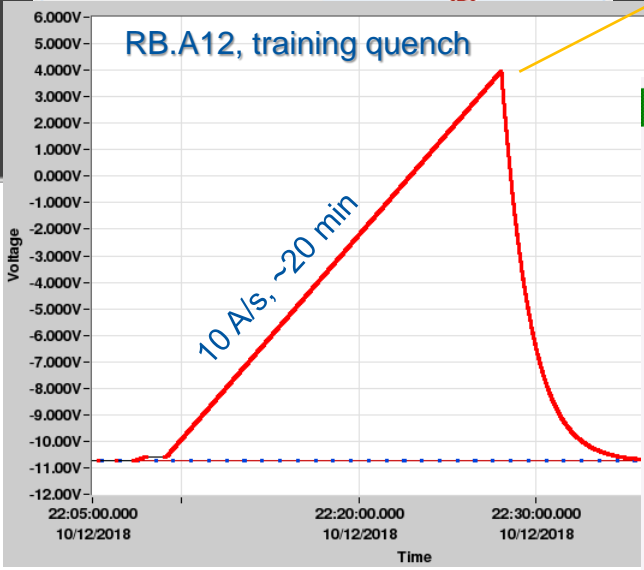


All main dipole training quenches in the LHC since 2008*

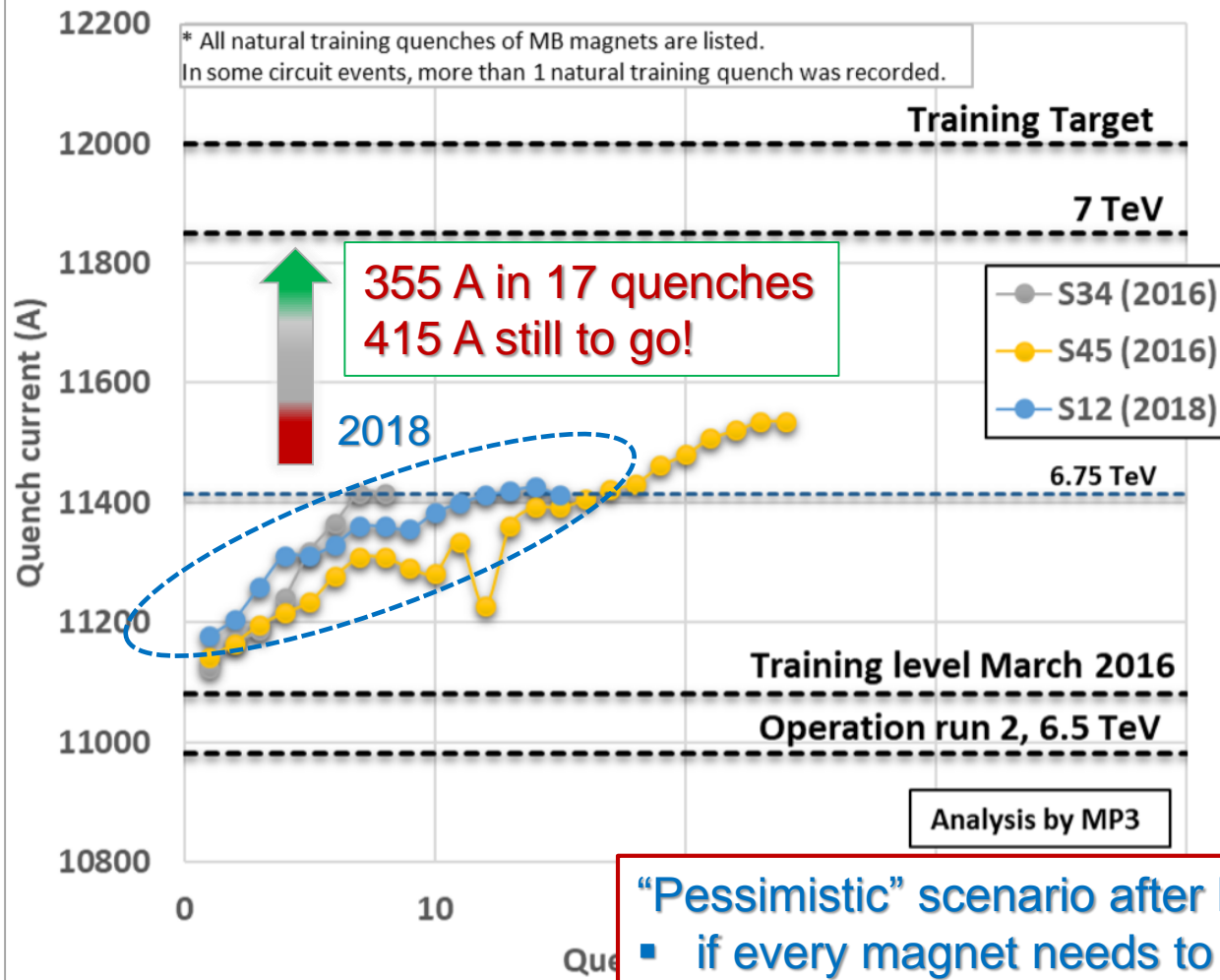




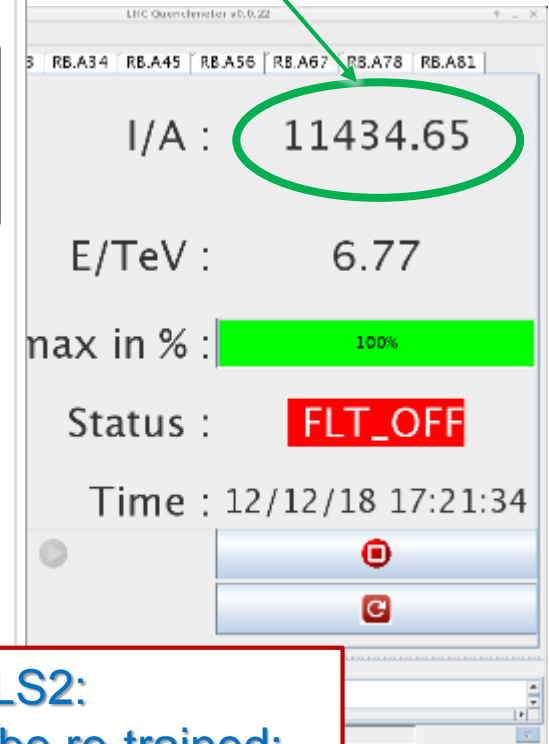
- RB.A12, 154 MBs, Single Training Run:
- ✓ Powering Test (PNO.b2);
 - ✓ ~20 minutes of ramp up;
 - ✓ 1 natural quench (training);
 - ✓ 1-3 fast quenches due to EM coupling;
 - ✓ 2-4 magnets will quench due to the heat propagation;
 - ✓ so, 1 training out of 4-10 quenches in total;
 - ✓ which ends up with about 6-12 hours of CRYO recovery;



Training of S34 (2016), S45 (2016) and S12 (2018)



Last training quench so far

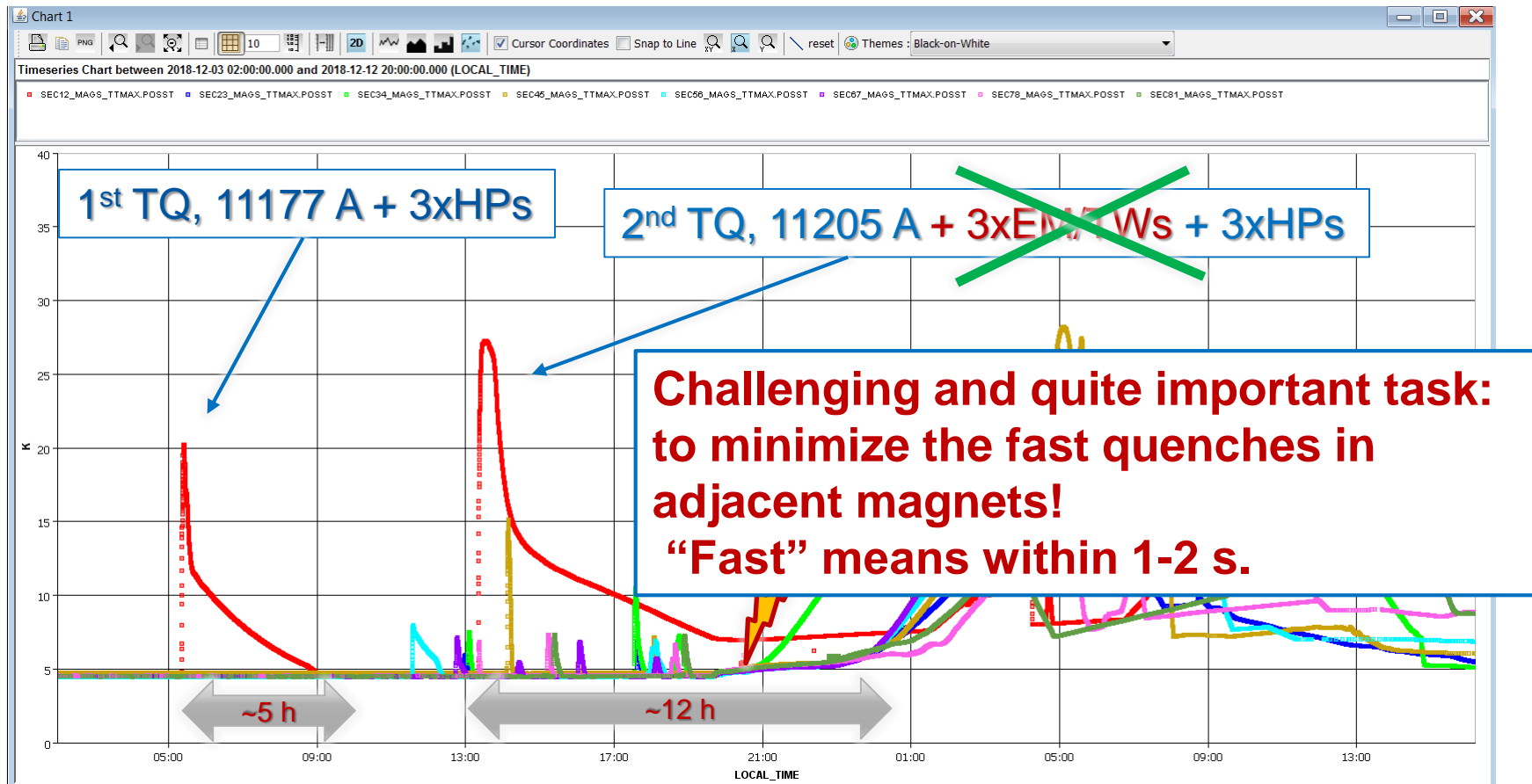


“Pessimistic” scenario after LS2:

- if every magnet needs to be re-trained;
- powering 8 circuits in parallel;
- 154 x 10 hours / 24 ≈ 60 days;

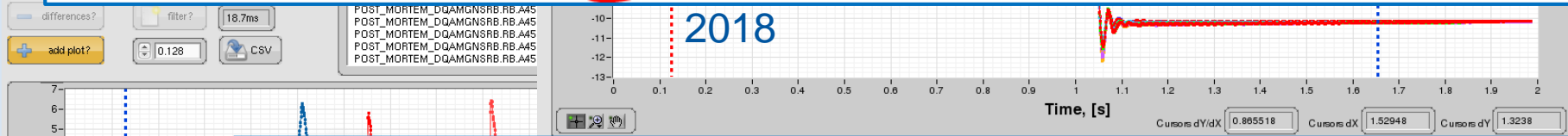
A bit long but not infinite ...

CRYO recovery time: Multiple High Current Quenches vs Power Cut

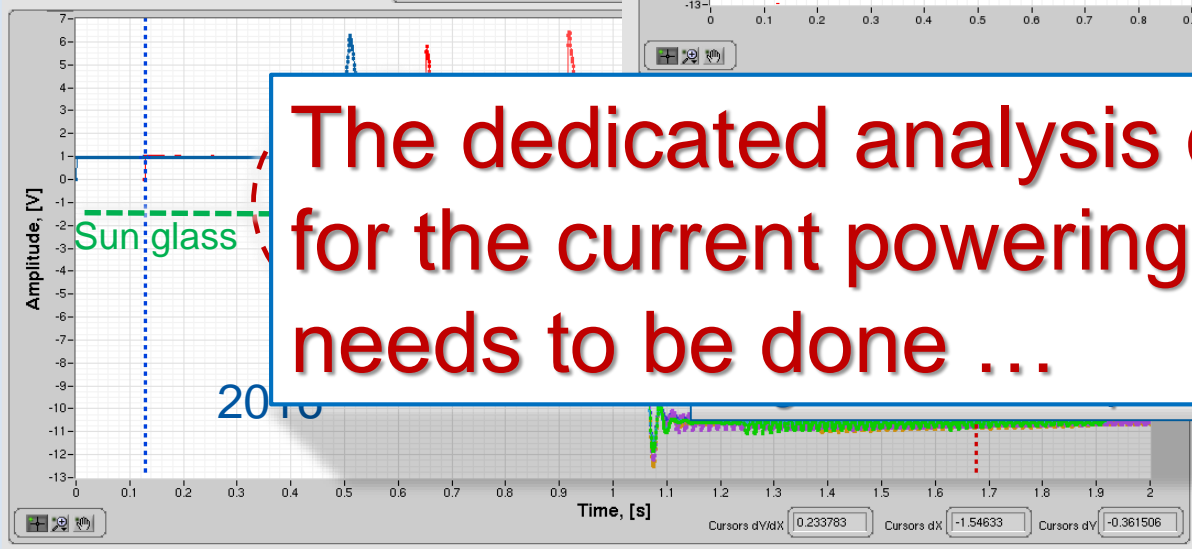


Special test: LD quench in C27L5

| QPS PM file | iQPS or nQP | I _q | Nr in Q even | Type of Q | Period |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| 170423-132901.334_B25R1 | iQPS | 11055 | 2 | EM/TW | |
| 20181203-132042.627_B19L2 | iQPS | 11205 | 2 | EM/TW | HWC Dec 2018 |
| 20181206-190239.603_A10L2 | iQPS | 11259 | 2 | EM/TW | HWC Dec 2018 |
| 20181208-161744.182_B16R1 | iQPS | 11356 | 2 | EM/TW | HWC Dec 2018 |
| 20181209-062054.729_A26R1 | iQPS | 11383 | 2 | EM/TW | HWC Dec 2018 |
| 20181209-165309.417_C22R1 | iQPS | 11400 | 2 | EM/TW | HWC Dec 2018 |
| 20181210-063122.824_B20R1 | iQPS | 11412 | 2 | EM/TW | HWC Dec 2018 |
| 20181210-222802.411_A9L2 | iQPS | 11420 | 2 | EM/TW | HWC Dec 2018 |
| 20181211-210814.144_B10R1 | iQPS | 11413 | 2 | EM/TW | HWC Dec 2018 |
| 20181212-172135.256_C31R1 | nQPS | 11409 | 2 | EM/TW | HWC Dec 2018 |

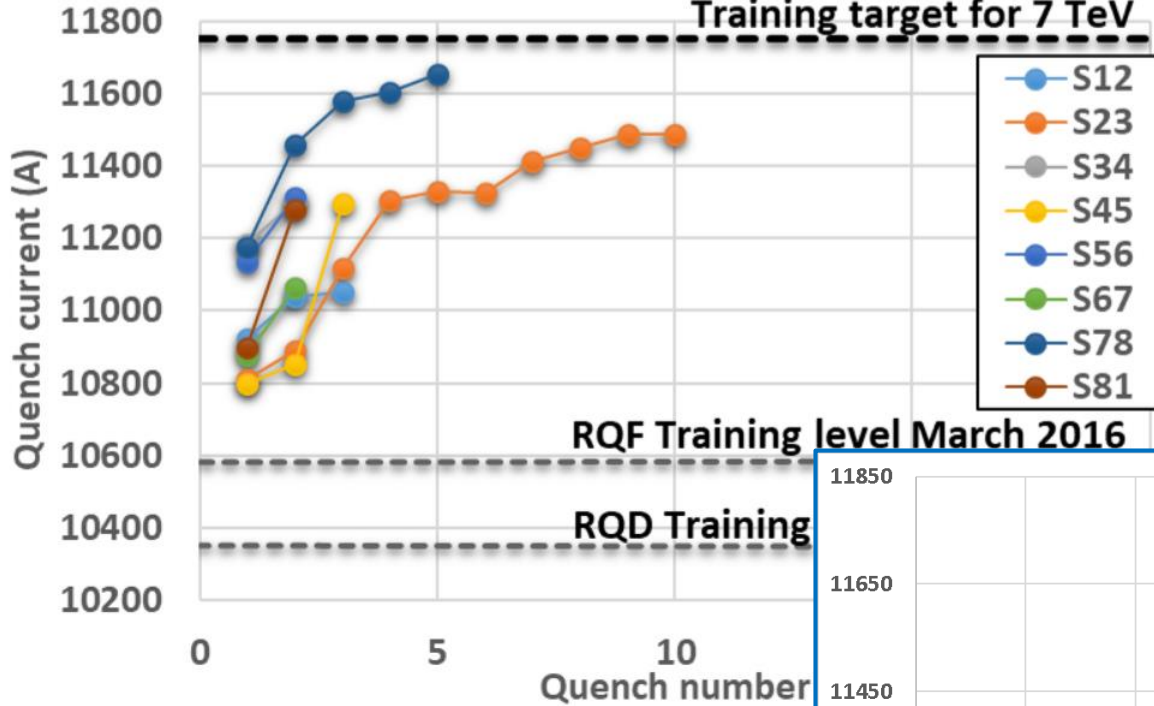


The dedicated analysis of all quenches for the current powering campaign still needs to be done ...

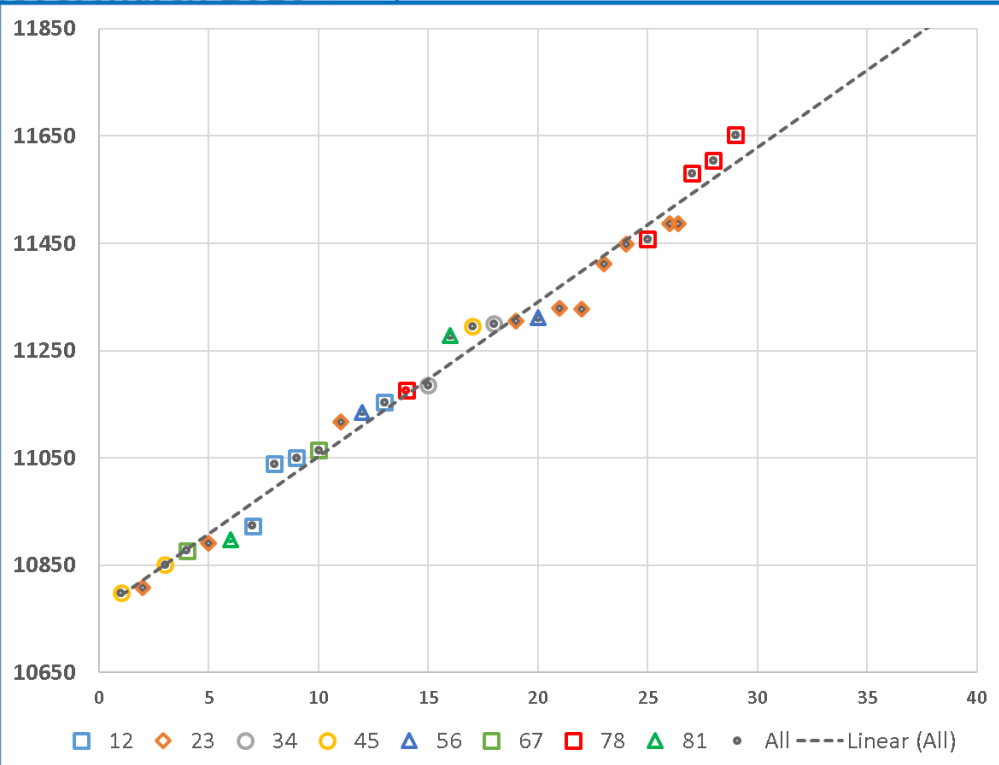


Training of all Main Quadrupole magnets in 2018

Training target for 7 TeV



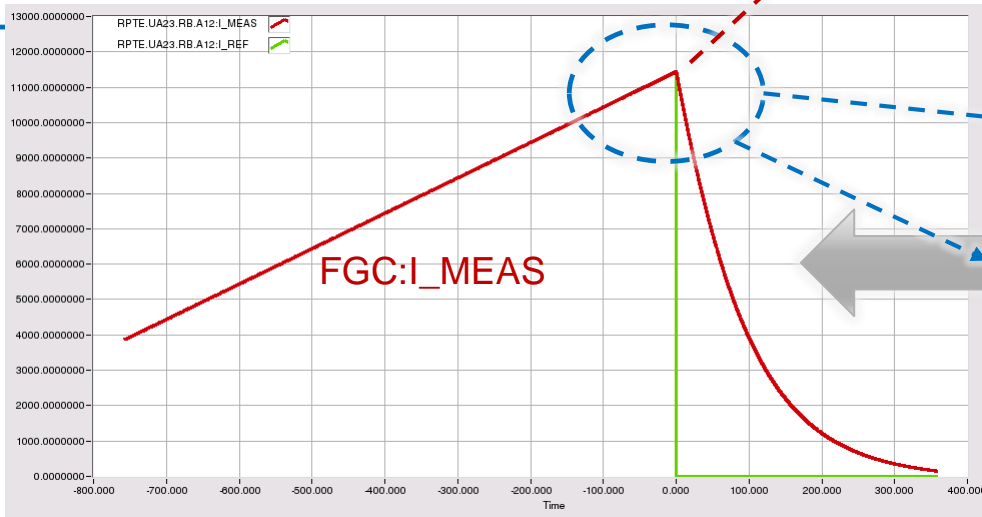
- 8 RQD/RQF-circuits are trained in parallel:
- ✓ much less stored energy in a single magnet
- ✓ only one magnet is quenching for the period
- ✓ short CRYO recovery time (~1h);
- ✓ can be done in a shadow of RB-training



Series of special FPAs on the RB and RQD/F

FPA tests performed in Dec 2018 where all nQPS DS and iQPS DL buffers are read. Delays EE: 100 ms and 600 ms

| Sector | 2 kA | 4 kA | 5 kA | 6 kA | 8 kA | 10 kA |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| S12 | | | | | | |
| S23 | 181207-205921.000 | 181210-014943.879 | 181210-033636.840 | 181208-190223.160 | | 181210-044922.340 |
| S34 | | | | | | |
| S45 | 181208-180936.880 | | | 181208-193410.520 | 181210-054606.740 | 181208-211807.820 181209-123227.780 |
| S56 | | | | | | |
| S67 | | | | | | |
| S78 | 181208-124704.840 | | | 181208-160205.180 | | |
| S81 | | | | | | |



Concluding remarks

- Despite the long training of RB.A12 and some time lost, there are many positive aspects of this campaign.
- **Most of the high current circuits were successfully commissioned to the target value**
 - RD3.L4 went to target without quench (was stopped to 6.9 TeV during the training before LS1)
 - RQ5.R1 went to target with 2 quenches (this was suspected to be a "long-trainer")
 - RQ5.R5 went to target with 2 quenches (also suspected to be a "long-trainer")
 - Some IPQs (RQ5.R6, RQ5.L6, RQ7s@IP5) reached ultimate current with a limited number of quenches (very important for HL-LHC)
 - RQ5.L8 (replaced in LS1 and never trained in the tunnel) reached nominal current with 3 quenches
 - Few 600 A circuits proved that **no degradation can be observed in time**
 - Octupoles and sextupoles were successfully tested to larger di/dt or/and ramp rate to allow faster operation functions in Run III
- **Quench propagation studies** were done to prove the effectiveness of new QDS thresholds which allow reducing the number of secondary quenches during training
- Fast power aborts were also performed to allow characterizing the RB, RQD/RQF circuits



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Thanks!



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The transfer of current from quenching dipoles and quadrupoles into the cold bypass diode

