



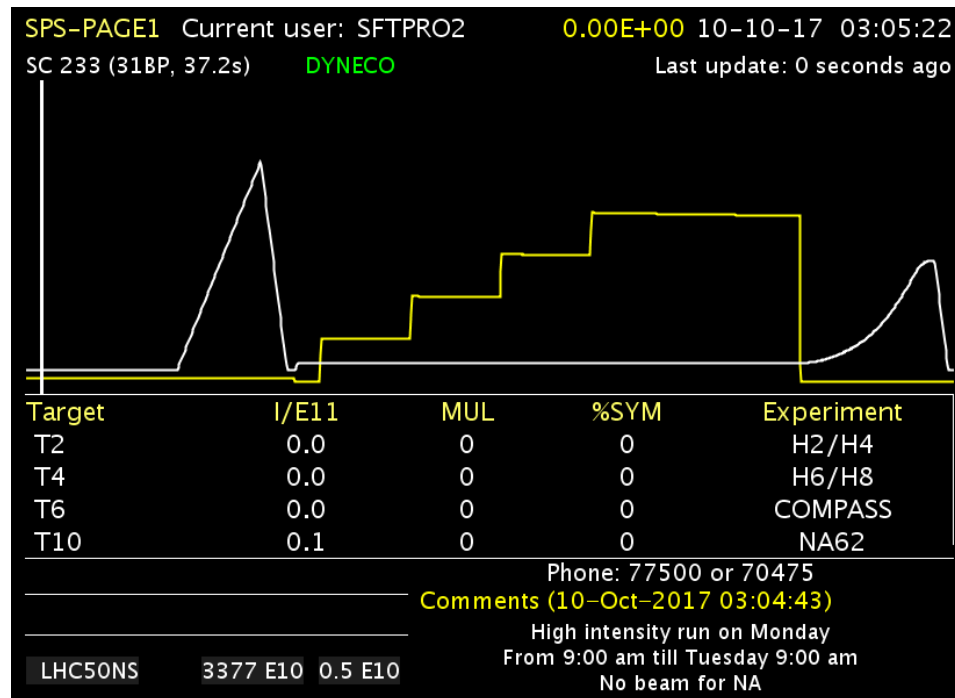
## LHC Injectors Upgrade

# Experience with high intensity beams and space charge studies in SPS

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# Introduction



- **A high intensity run was performed in 2017**

- Two days dedicated MD time
- Aim was to study LIU beam parameter regime (as close as possible)
- Injected up to  $2.1 \times 10^{11}$  p/b (presently maximum intensity from PS with 0.35 eVs)
- This beam cannot be accelerated yet (need LIU RF upgrade) → studies focused on flat bottom

- **Complementary space charge studies were performed with Indivs**





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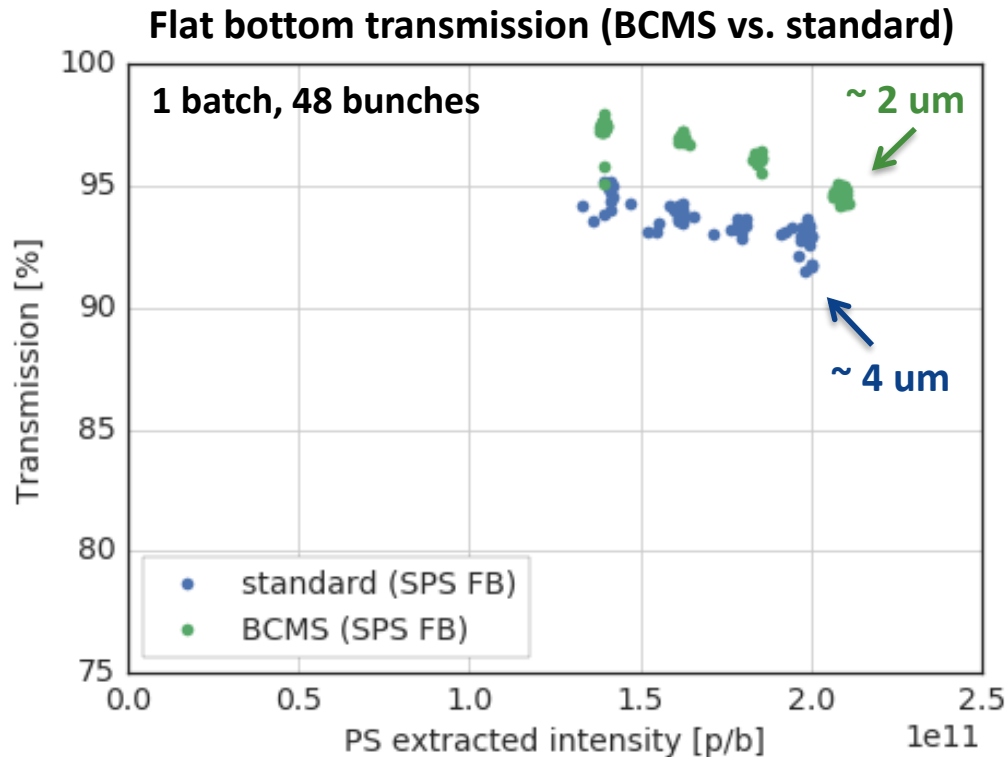
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# 25 ns standard vs. BCMS beam

- **Better transmission for BCMS beam**

- Flat bottom transmission improves for smaller emittance, despite enhanced space charge!
- Losses are concentrated in high dispersive regions of the machine
- Related to asymmetric momentum acceptance (see next slide)

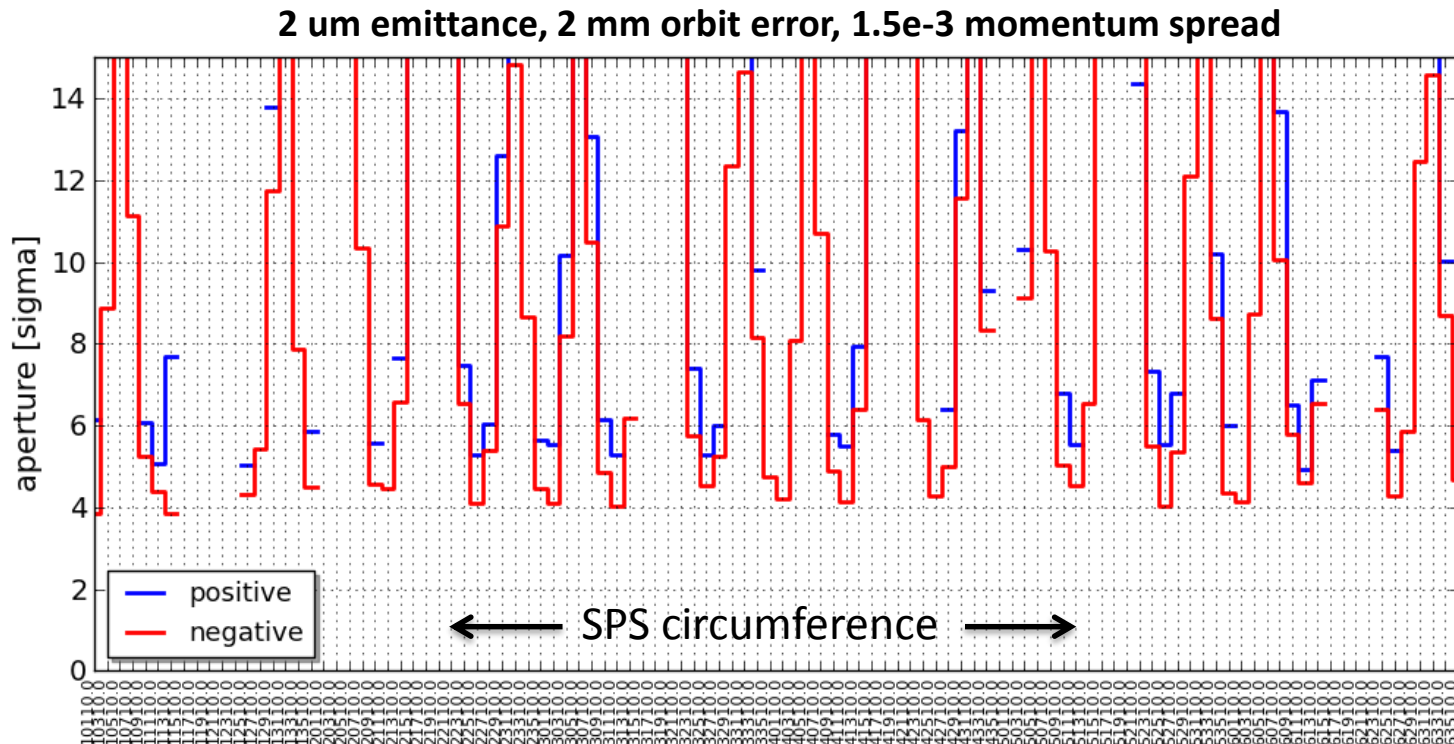


Therefore studies in the second half of 2017 were performed with BCMS beam (similar brightness as LIU beam post-LS2)



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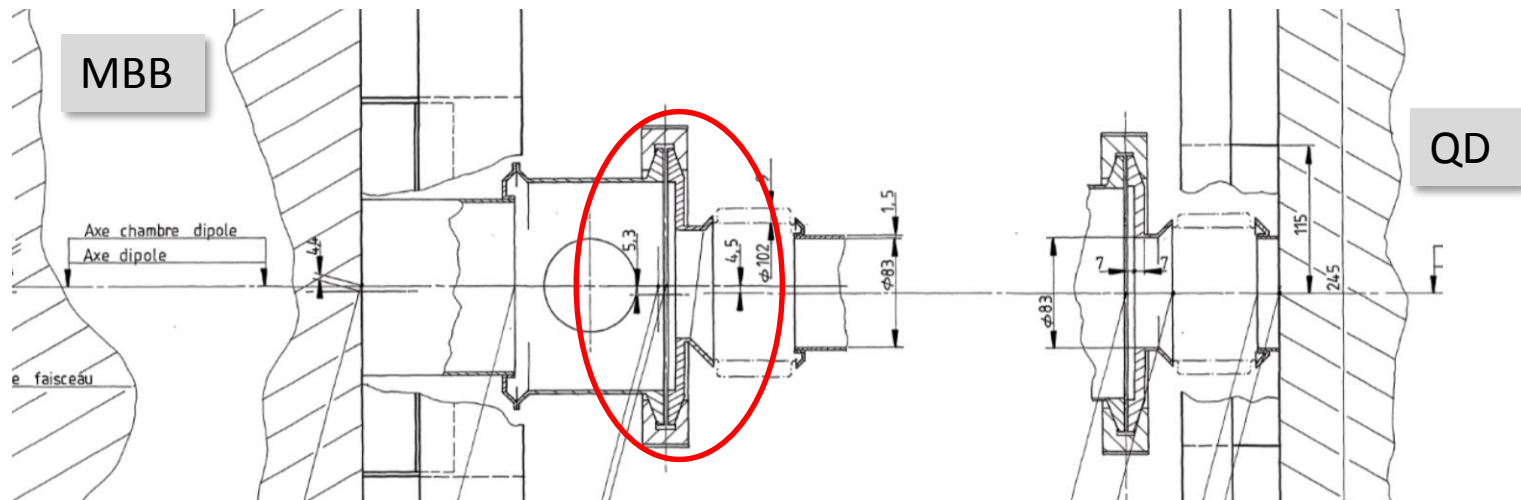
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- Design flaw of MBB-QD transitions identified
  - Modified vacuum transitions with enlarged aperture installed in 3 positions during the YETS for testing impact on losses

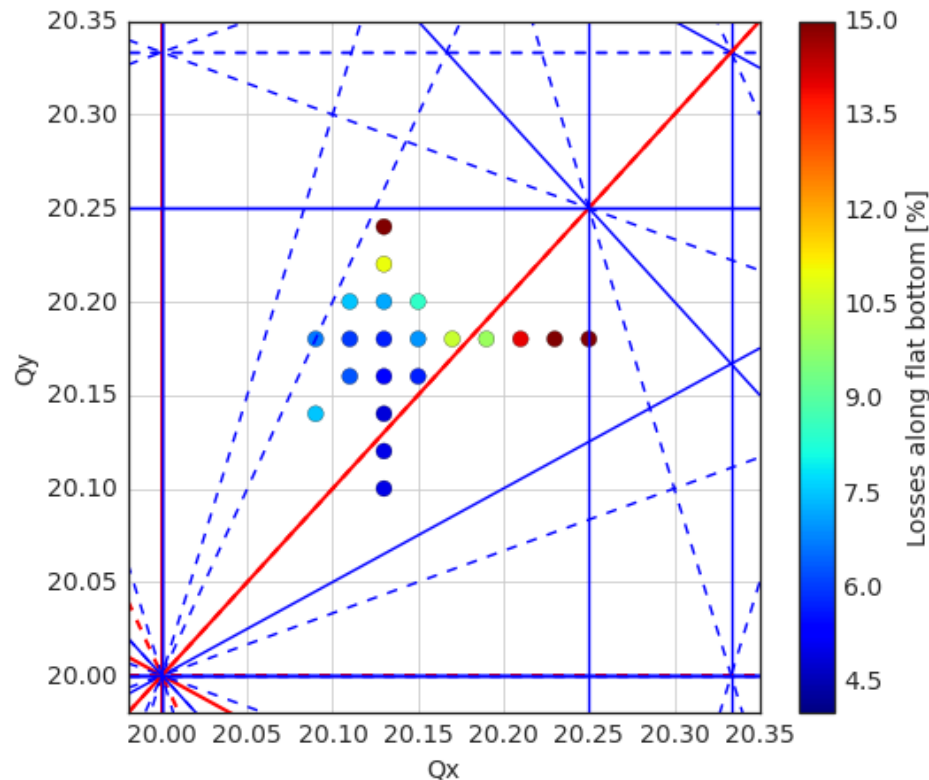



# Tune scan

- **Studied dependence of flat bottom losses on working point**

- Usual working point (20.13/20.18) already close to optimum – losses can be higher for other working points (in particular towards higher tunes...)
- To be further investigated which resonances are the detrimental ones taking into account the coherent and incoherent tune shifts

Losses as function of coherent tunes



bare tunes are shifted compared to measured coherent tunes like this: 

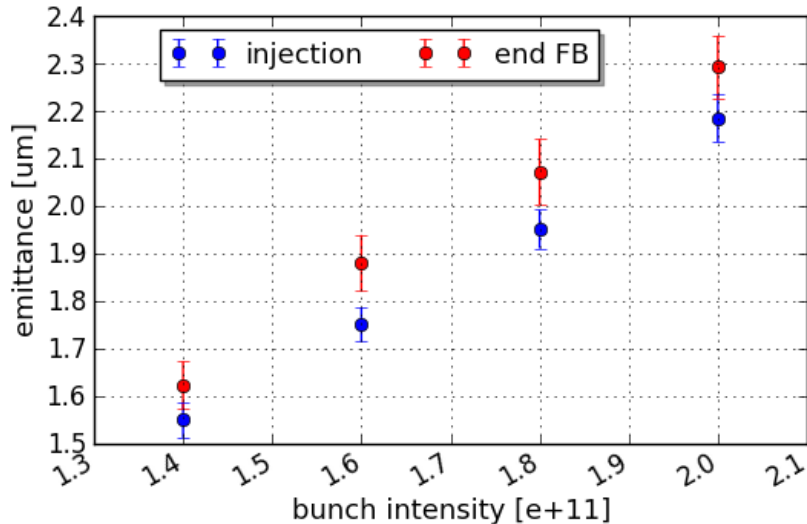




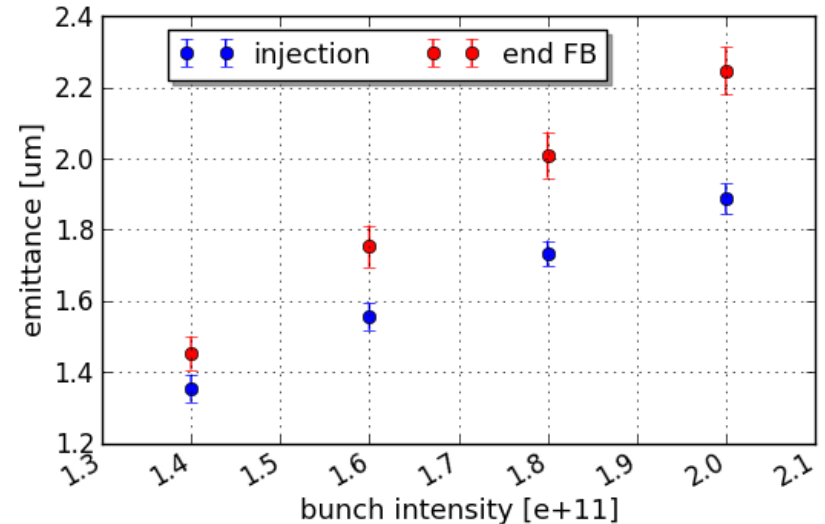
# Transverse emittance studies

- **Measured emittance as function of intensity**
  - Single batch BCMS beam
  - End flat bottom corresponds to 10.8 s
- **Vertical emittance growth increases with intensity, not observed in horizontal**
  - **To be studied in more detail in 2018**

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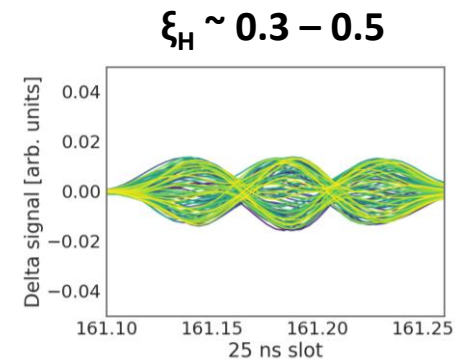
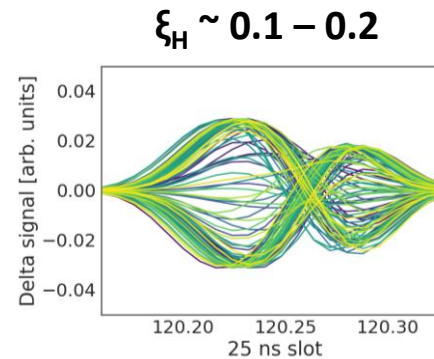
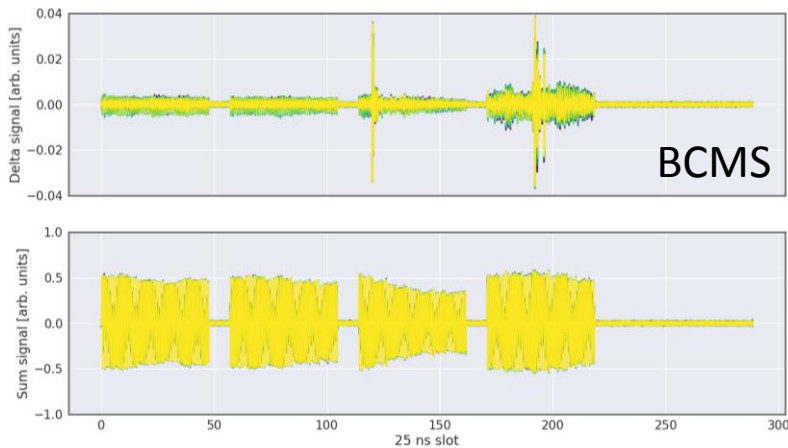
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# Horizontal instability

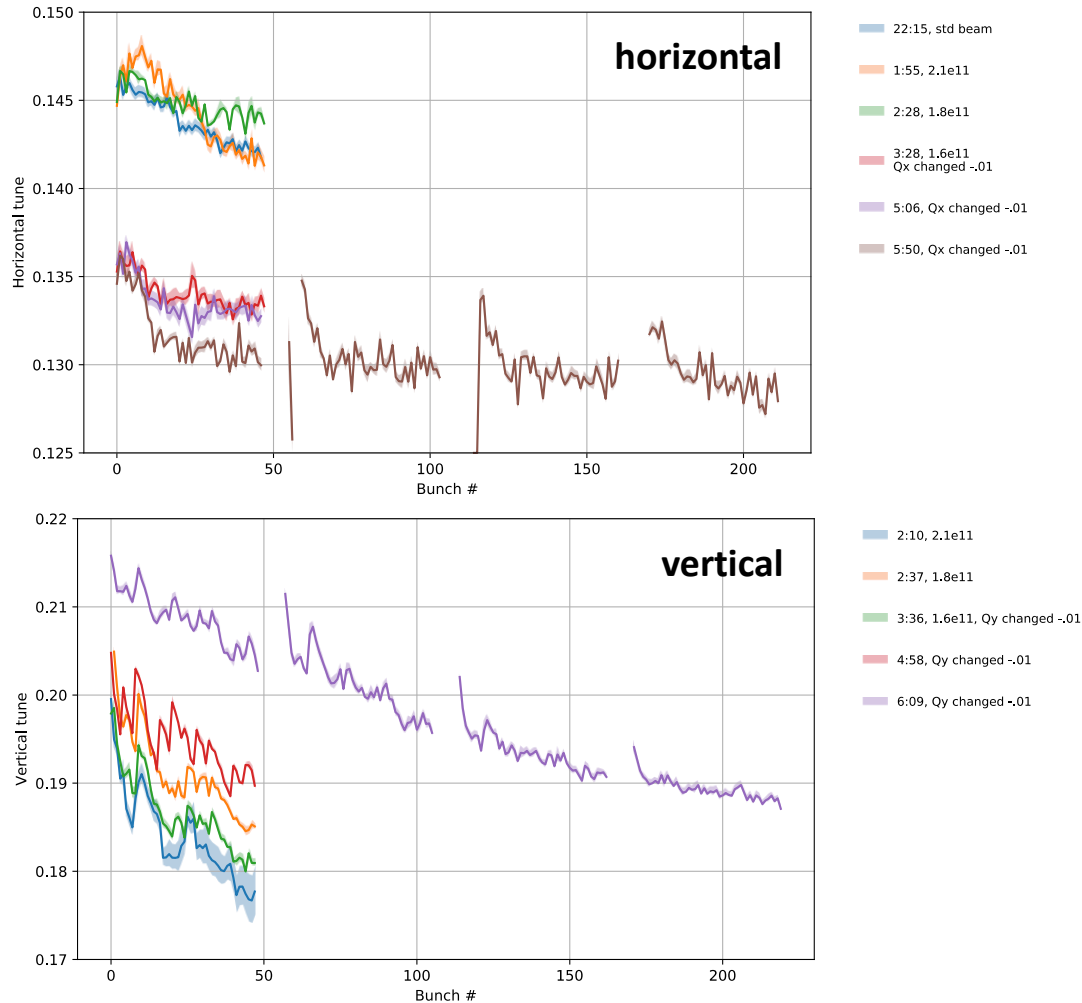
- The 20 MHz horizontal coupled bunch instability from 2015 was not observed
  - Now the transverse damper has higher gain at 20 MHz, but only 4 x 48 bunches (4 x 72 in 2015)
- In 2017 the 4 x 48 bunches **suffered from single bunch instabilities** (some bunches in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> batch)
  - Single bunch instability mode changes and **can be cured with chromaticity**
  - $\xi_H \sim 0.1 - 0.2 \rightarrow$  mode 1
  - $\xi_H \sim 0.3 - 0.5 \rightarrow$  mode 2
  - $\xi_H > 0.5 \rightarrow$  instability mostly suppressed
- To be studied more systematically in 2018





# High intensity 25 ns beam studies

- Coherent tune shift bunch-by-bunch
- Large vertical tune shift accumulating along the train





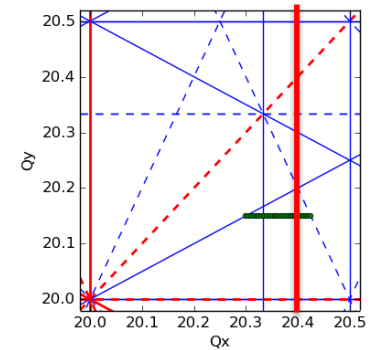
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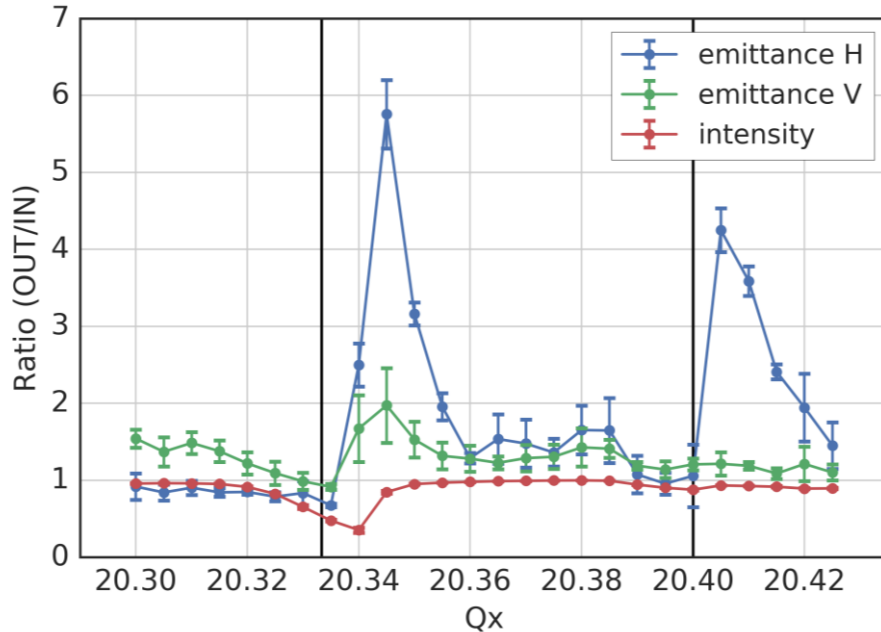
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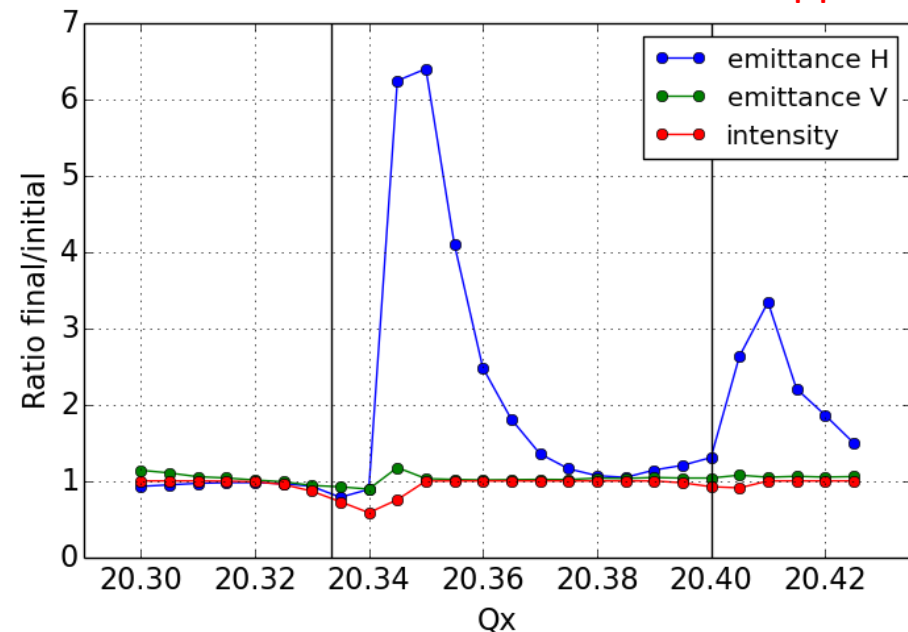
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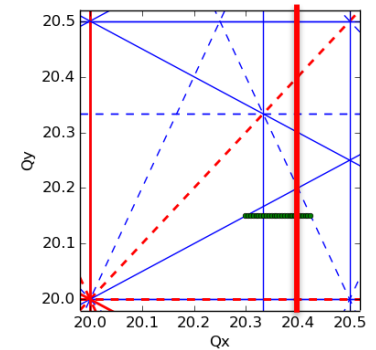
simulations with Q-ripple



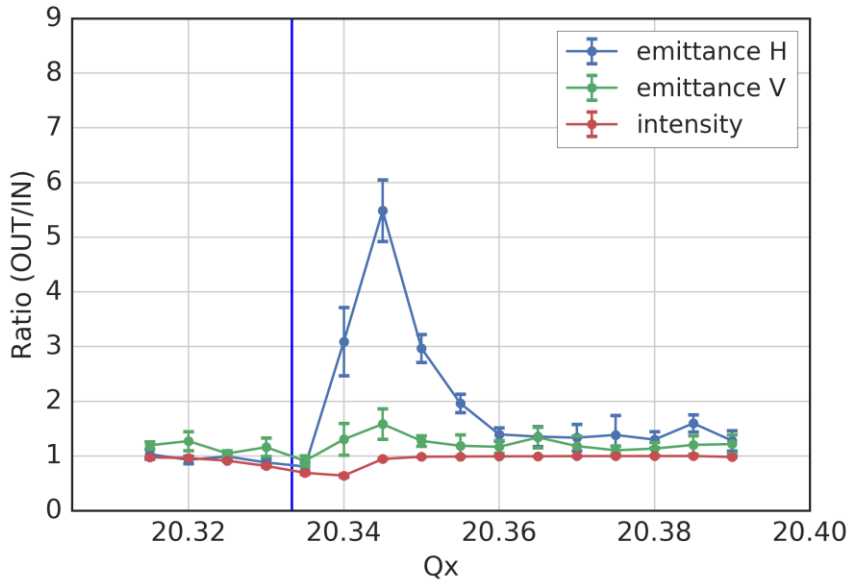
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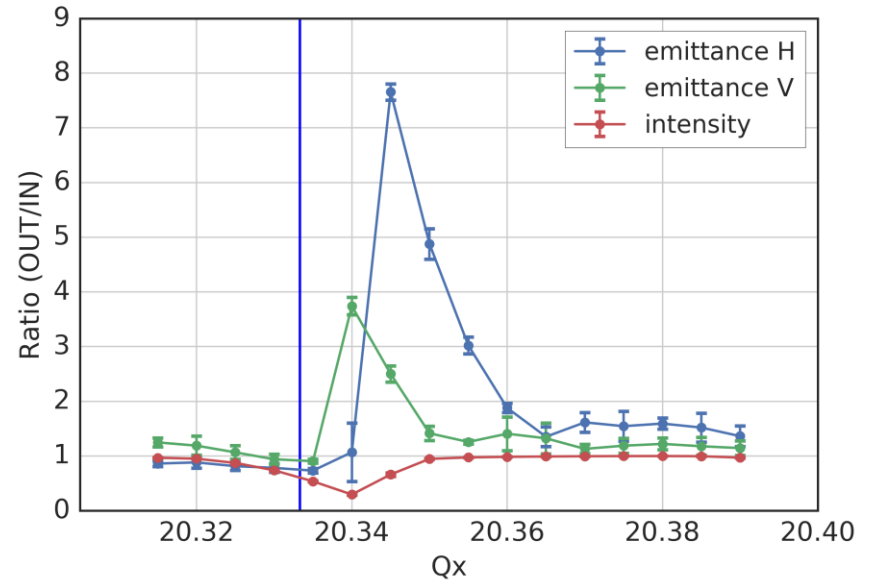
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- **Clear enhancement of beam response with voluntary QF ripple**



Measurement with natural ripple



... with voluntary Qx ripple:  $\pm 6e-3$  @ 90 Hz





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# Plans for 2018

- **Verify reduced losses in locations with enlarged QD-SSS aperture**
- **Further characterize the horizontal single bunch instability**
  - Determine growth rates and mode numbers
  - Stabilization with octupoles (including configuration without Q'')
  - Measurement of detuning with amplitude to determine Landau damping
- **Study vertical emittance growth on flat bottom for high intensity beams**
  - Check dependence on chromaticity and working point
  - Study bunch-to-bunch behavior
  - Try to identify source for emittance growth
- **Continue benchmark measurements with single bunches close to resonances**





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**Thank you for your attention!**

