

LHC Machine Status Report 134th LHCC Meeting

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Hardware and Beam Re-commissioning



2018 LHC Schedule – Q1



	Jan				Feb					LHC to OP Start powering Mar tests Closed				Experiments valves open TI2 & TI8 Beam tests Start Beam Commissioning		
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Successful & Efficient HW re-commissioning





2018 LHC Schedule – Q2



Full machine 13 days ahead of schedule



Smooth & Fast Intensity Ramp-up



Intensity ramp up plan: 3 - 12 - 72 - 300 - 600 - 900 - 1200 - 1800 - 2400 - 2550



- With interleaved beam commissioning and intensity ramp up 1227 bunches in only 10 days (excl. scrubbing)
 - In 2017 it took 15 days
- 2556 bunches reached after 17 days
 - In 2017 it took 24 days.
- This is thanks to excellent machine availability and dedicated teams, signing off checklists for every step at any moment



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LHC Statistics Since First Collissions





2018 LHC Performance up to now



- Full machine (2556 bunches) reached on May 5th
- Peak lumi in stable beams of 2.1x10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹ reached during intensity ramp up
- Might be a new record, pending luminosity measurement calibration
- After that small step back in bunch intensity
- Two "16L2 storms" encountered with successful recovery



Run1 + Run 2 Lumi Production



Peak Luminosity

- 2018 shows steepest increase in peak luminosity of all years
- Possibly new record of 2.1x10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹

Period	Int. Luminosity [fb ⁻¹]					
Run 1	29.2					
Run 2: 2015	4.2					
Run 2: 2016	39.7					
Run 2: 2017	50.2					
Run 2: 2018	16					
Total Run 1+ 2	139.3					
	28.05.2018					



The recent "16L2 Storms"







- Steady state losses partly suppressed by solenoid
- Loss peaks can trigger beam dump



Time Structure of Losses



- Looks very similar to 2017:
 - Events starts with a spike at 16L2
 - This is followed by a "loss runaway" at 16L2
 - After about 10 ms a transverse instability is triggered, which causes fast losses at the collimators dumping the beams



"16L2 Storm" Recovery



- 1st storm a recovery à la 2017 was used
- 2nd storm was recovered with a single fill with 900 bunches, losing little time...



Luminosity Levelling

- In certain conditions and depending on the experiments request, it is desirable to adapt the luminosity dynamically with beams in collision levelling.
 - Each levelling technique has its advantages and drawbacks.

Levelling by beam offset / separation Levelling by crossing angle Levelling by β^* (= beam size at IP) Complexity



Luminosity (Anti-)Levelling

- In 2017 the step-wise crossing angle anti-levelling was introduced
 - 3 steps depending on the luminosity burn-off
- In 2018:
 - The crossing angle antilevelling is done continuously, down to 130 μrad
 - A step-wise β* anti-levelling has been added
 - $\beta^*=30 \text{ cm} \rightarrow 27.5 \text{ cm} \rightarrow 25 \text{ cm}$





 This allows minor gain in integrated luminosity, but is a vital exercise for future (HL-LHC) levelling



Special Runs

- Van de Meer run scheduled for week 26 and under preparation
- Seven day long β*=90 cm run scheduled for week 26 & 27 Setting up well advanced



- Special runs week 41 are a place holder for Low energy high β run
 - Tests in 2017 and recently at 900 GeV were unsuccessful due to background noise growth, which is not (yet) fully understood
 - Not sure if doubling the energy would solve the background issue



Multi-annual Integrated Performance





Outlook for the remainder of 2018



2018 Machine/Beam Parameters

Parameter	Design	2018
Bunch population N _b [10 ¹¹ p]	1.15	~1.2 (→ 1.4)
No. bunches per train	288	144
No. bunches	2780	2556
Emittance ε [mm mrad]	3.5	~2.2
Full crossing angle [µrad]	285	300 → 260
β* [cm]	55	$30 \rightarrow 27.5 \rightarrow 25$
Peak luminosity [10 ³⁴ cm ⁻² s ⁻¹]	1.0	~2
Integrated luminosity [fb-1]		~60

The "CMS bump" to compensate ground movement was increased from **-1.5 mm** to **-1.8 mm**



2018 LHC Schedule, version 1.3





	July				Aug					Sep			
Wk	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
Мо	β*= 90 m 2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24
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Approved by the Research Board on 6 December 2017

- Some minor modification after that, mainly adaptation to "as executed"
- TS1 shortened by 1 day in favor of physics
- Perhaps still some additional MD time to be allocated

Specials runs

- VdM programme is planned
- $\beta^* = 90$ meter run scheduled
- Low energy run to be re-discussed following tests
- 4-week Pb-Pb ions run
- End of 2018 run 3 December 2018
- Magnet tests in view of 7 TeV operation after LS2 during week 49





Summary Table 2018 - 2017 - 2016

		2018		2017	2016		
Phase	Days	Ratio [%]	Days	Ratio [%]	Days	Ratio [%]	
Comm. & Intensity ramp up	33**	13.4	35	16.1	28*	11.3	
Scrubbing	1	0.4	7	3.3	2	0.8	
25 ns Proton Physics	131	53.3	127	58.5	139	56.3	
Special Physics Runs	17	6.9	18	8.3	10	4	
Setting up Pb-Pb ion run	4	1.6	-	-	6	2.4	
Pb-Pb ion run	24	9.8	-	-	23	9.3	
Machine Developments (MD)	20	8.1	18	8.3	21	8.5	
Technical Stops (3x)	12	4.9	8	3.7	12	5	
Technical Stop Recovery (3x)	4	1.6	4	1.8	6	2.4	
Total	246	100	217	100	247	100	
Integrated luminosity [fb ⁻¹]		~ 60		50.2	39.7		

* Did not fully include intensity ramp up - interleaved commissioning and interleaved intensity ramp up was as of 2017

** With 1200 bunches per beam, previously with 3 bunches



Integrated Luminosity Forecast

80 70 Integrated Luminosity (fb⁻¹) 60 150 fb⁻¹ Run 2 50 40 30 150 fb⁻¹ Run 1 + Run2 20 Predicted 10 Achieved 0 5/15 6/14 7/14 8/13 9/12 4/15 10/12

2018 is the final production year before Long Shutdown 2 Important to reach a stable beam time ratio of 50%

60 fb⁻¹ is the goal for 2018 for ATLAS & CMS 2 fb-1 is the 2018 goal for LHCb





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