LHC Injection and transfer lines

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Scope

- 1. LHC transfer lines 2009 optics studies
 - Trajectory
 - Dispersion
 - Kick response
 - Aperture
- 2. Injection regions
 - Injection steering
 - MKI wave form
 - Injection protection
 - Injection aperture
- 3. List of subjects to follow-up

1- LHC Transfer line

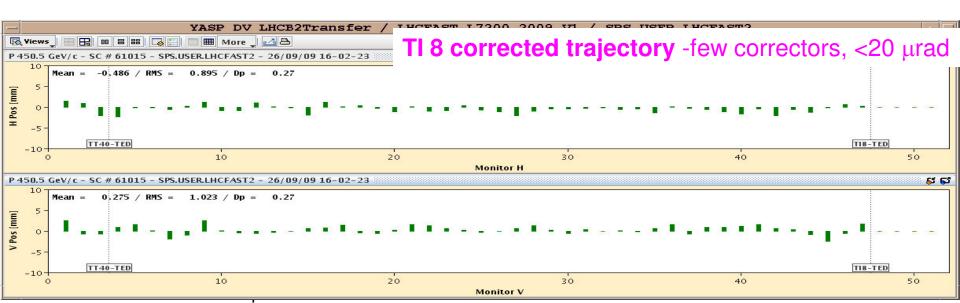
<u>Main outcomes</u> from all transfer line beam time measurements – trajectory, kick response and dispersion measurements:

Transfer line BPMs:

- calibration performed and included in the measurements -Rhodri, Lars and team + essential data from kick response measurements (Kajetan)
- request for additional BPMs upstream of TT60 hidden trajectory bump available for 2011 start-up
- more robust dispersion measurements in TI 8 thanks to the dual plane reading and the additional BPMs in the LHC injection area in TI 2, same improvements will be available for the 2011 start-up BI teams

Trajectory examples

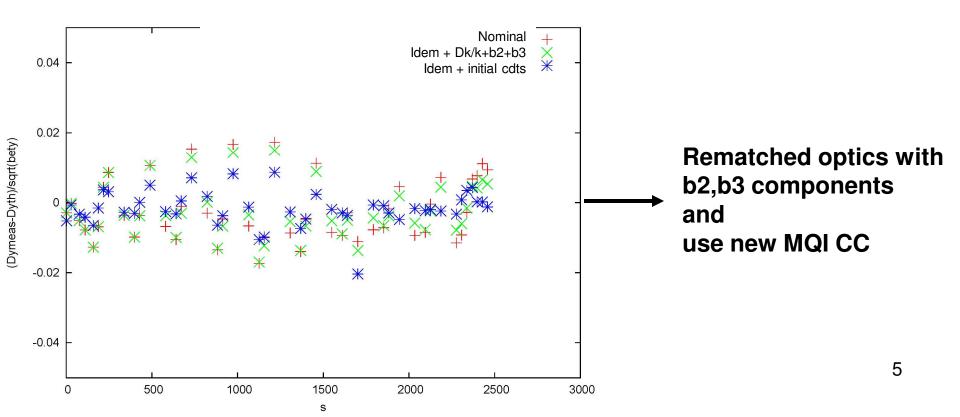


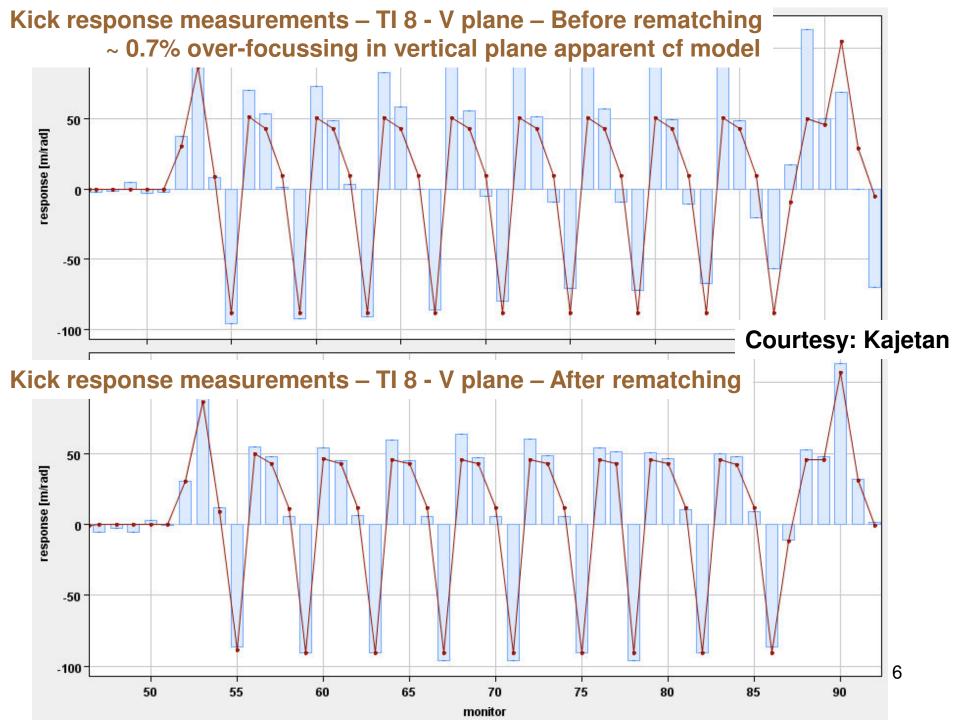


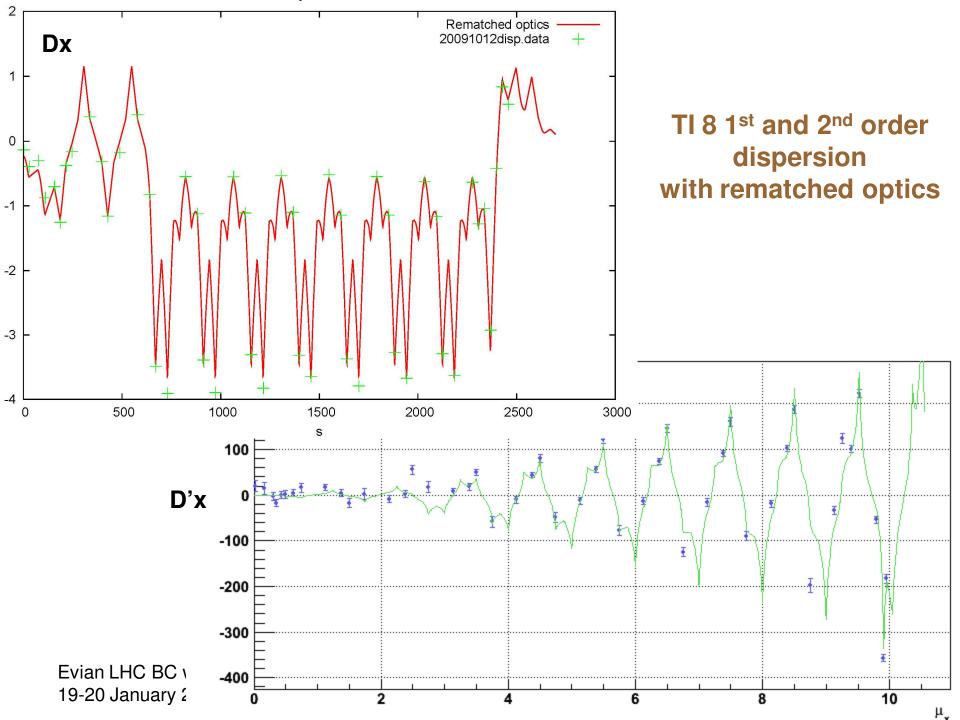
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<u>Transfer line magnetic model</u>:

- TT60 MBE CC switched to MBB vertical bare trajectory as expected
- MQIs DK/K = ~1.006
 - MQI measurements by magnet group
- MBI sext. component of ~ -4.5e-4 @ r=25mm (idea from S.Fartoukh)
 - Confirmed by magnet group from 2D calculations
- MBI quad. component of ~1.35e-4 @ r=25mm
 - Feed-down from systematic horizontal offset in MBI

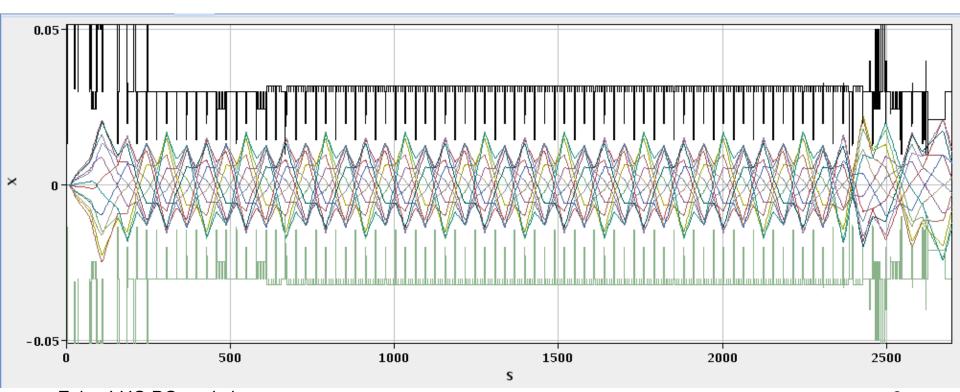






TI 2 and TI 8 aperture studies

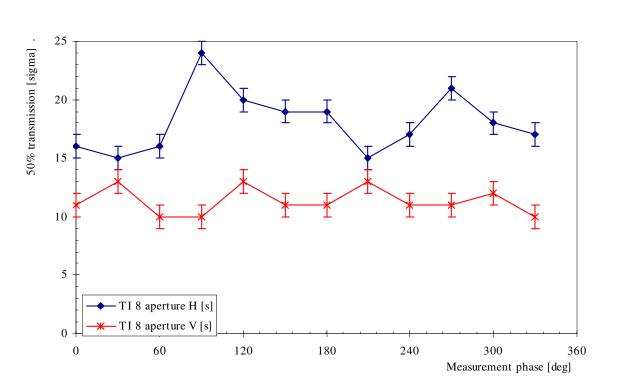
- Momentum aperture: +/- 0.35 to 0.4%, as expected.
- Physical aperture explored in both lines in H and V, at different phases, 30 deg intervals, using on-line model and dedicated knobs



In both planes in both lines:

-No bottlenecks
Note: aperture restriction between
P8 MSI and Q5 solved after
re-alignments

- Measured aperture ≥10 nominal σ



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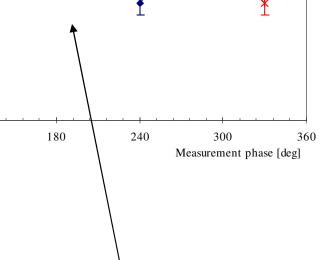
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TI2 aperture V [s]
TI2 aperture H [s]

60

120

50% transmission [sigma]



Few phases in TI 2 to complete

2- Injection region

Much injection checks and setting-up work performed through the LHC beam commissioning

- Injection steering
- Injection region aperture
- Kick response dispersion measurements
- MKI waveform
- TDI and TCLIA/B setting up around orbit, LHCb BeamCdtMonitor, setup of TDIs to golden orbit – see Wolfgang's talk
- Checked losses on TDI & IR8 for MKI off/over-injecting see Christos' talk
- Tests of injection and matching with xing/sep bumps on see Werner's talk
- Injection kicker timing in
- Injection of multiple bunches
- ...

TI 2-TI 8 Steering

- □ TI 2+S23 and TI 8+S78 selections of the steering display now by default:
 - TL trajectory
 - Ring First turn Closed orbit = injection oscillation
 - Closed orbit is estimated from average of 50 first turns

>> ensures that TL steering always brings beam onto the CO



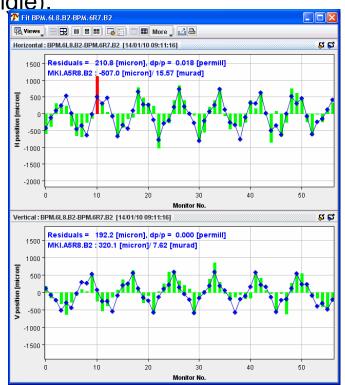
Injection Autopilot

- □ Feedback tools inside steering program to correct injection oscillations:
 - Same tool used for SPS injection oscillations & SPS target steering.
 - Manually activated.
 - Algorithm can be configured (DB). Presently:
 - Fit a betatron oscillation to the ring FT-CO (in H subtract dp/p error).

Interpolate fit to a virtual start point (pos + angle)

- If pos/angle out of tolerance, correct with 2 correctors at end of line.
- >> tested & works well!
- May need to tune algorithm because of TL collimation.
 - Global MICADO (towards ref) better?
 - >> need more experience!

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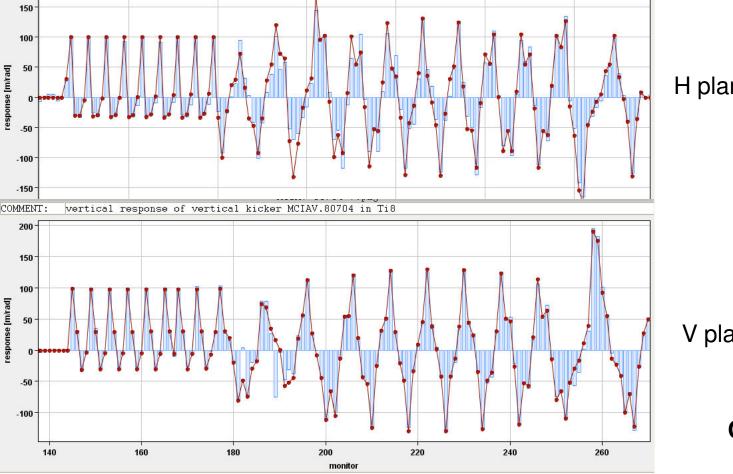
Kick response measurements -1

Data in very good agreement with model.

horizontal response of horizontal kicker MCIAH.80204 in Ti8

- All measurements were done at deltap/p = -0.5 permil.
- Figures show a comparison between measurements (blue) and model (red).

Beam from left.



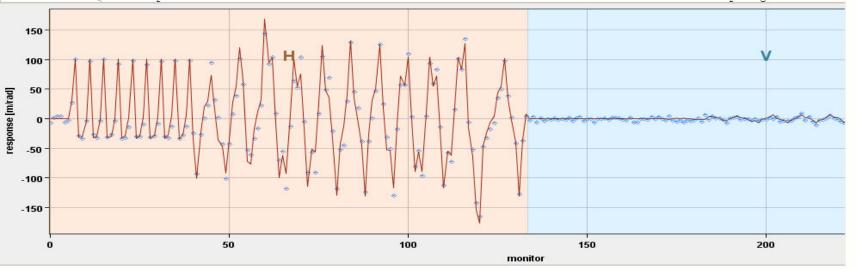
H plane

V plane

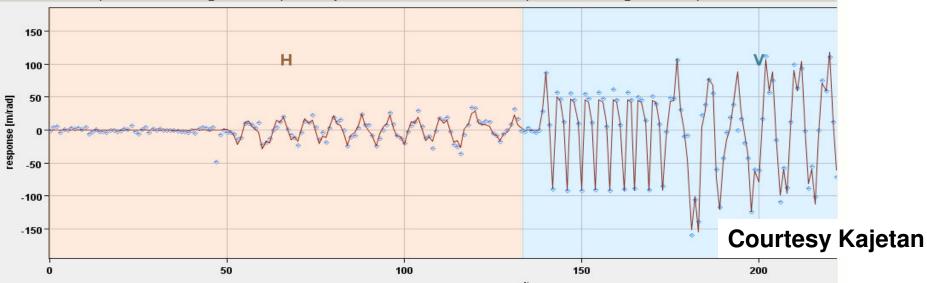
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Kick response measurements -2

H+V response of horizontal kicker MCIAH.80204 for TI8 and LHC sector 78.



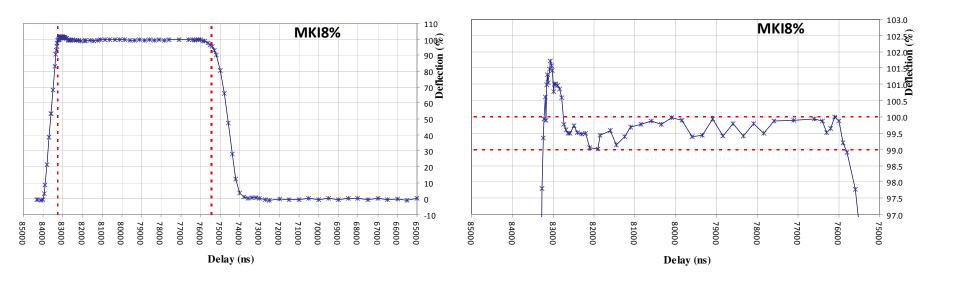
H+V response for vertical kicker MCIAV.80704 for TI8 and LHC sector 78. Vertical (blue background) couples to horizontal (red background)



Point 2 / 8 TDI and TCLIA/B setting up

- Transfer line protection devices: setting up partially done
- TDI / TCDI : done
 - See Wolfgang Bartmann presentation

MKI 2 and 8 waveform measured

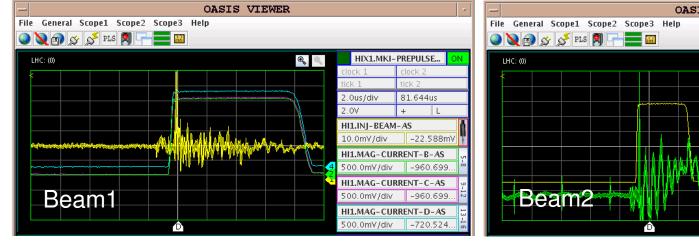


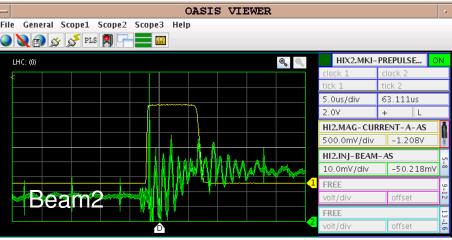
Looks OK except for 2% overshoot, both MKI2 and 8 – being corrected

Courtesy M.Barnes

Injection kicker timing in

- Both beams timed in
 - Adjusted with OASIS signals
 - Configured for abort gap keeper
 - Checked beam injected OK with acceptable oscillations
 - Need to check the fine timing to fit full SPS batch





Multiple bunch injection (and fixes)

- 4 bunch injection sequences worked after timing in MKI and MKD
- Need to be aware that injecting near to abort gap needs consideration
 - bunch is always at the head of the injection kicker
 pulse always 11 μs gap as result after last bunch
 - may need to reorder some injection sequences, especially with 'trailing pilot'
 - may need to change order of injection for some bunches.
- Setting up of protection devices to (re)do for high intensity

3- List of subjects to follow-up

- Transfer lines: Importance of:
 - Regular survey checks and re-alignment
 - Steering with minimum corrector number and strength
 - Accurate characterisation of the main magnets
 - Noise on QPS from TF pulsing? Worry about other EMC sources around ring?
- Injection region:
 - FT-CO evaluation is presently based on FIFO acquisition:
 - Works only when injecting into EMPTY ring.
 - To be able to work on ANY injection (also with circ. beam):
 - FT-CO from capture data. Code written needs testing.
 - Capture data must be automatically configured and enabled to trigger on the buckets corresponding to the injected bunches (>> injection sequencer).
 - 'Interference' with PC interlocks of TLs:
 - Corrector interlock margin presently +- 10 μrad (from CNGS experience).
 - Must find a compromise between protection (small tol.) and steering flexibility (larger tol.). Note that shift crews have the right to change the corrector reference settings (not the tolerance).

- Injection region (cont'd):
 - Still investigate how to over-inject without interlocking
 - Puzzle of losses in P8 on MQX issue of BLM range
 - Fine synchronisation of injection kicker pulse to bucket 1
 - Setting up of TCDIs and TCLIA/Bs
 - Losses on TCDQ/TCSG for B1 at injection— (more) checks to make
 - BQM information for IQC to be made operational
 - Injection sequences to revisit with 'trailing pilot'
 - May need to change order of injection for some bunches.
- Need adequate (re)commissioning time