DISCUSSION ABOUT A 3-BATCH INJECTION SCHEME IN THE PS FOR LHC BEAMS

NOMINAL 25 ns IN PS

- 4b + 2b = 6b from PSB on h7 (~ 1.6E12 p/b) within ~ 2.5 μm
- Bunch length ~ 180 ns in 327 ns RF bucket (long. emitt. ~ 1.3 eVs)
- 6b × 3 = 18b on h21 at inj.
- Acceleration on h21
- 18b × 2 × 2 = 72b on h84 at ext.
- Cycle lasts 3.6 s and we have to wait
 ~ 1.2 s at inj.
- The nominal 25 ns beam is not yet at the space charge limit
 - Where is the space charge limit?
 - Could also play with RF voltage and/or longitudinal profile (flattening it) to reduce SC => New limit?

NEW 25 ns SCHEME?

- 3 × 4b = 12b from PSB on h14 (~ 0.8E12 p/b) within ~ 2.5 / 2 ~ 1.2 μm and ~ ½ nominal long. emitt.?
- Bunch length ~ 70 ns? (limited by PSB recombination kickers' rise times of ~ 95 ns) in 327 / 2 = 163.5 ns RF bucket => SC more critical by 180 / 70 = 2.5 at PS injection => Several ways to reduce it (see later)
- 2-bunch merging to have 6b on h7 and come back to the nominal scheme => Then same thing as usual
- Cycle lasts 4.8 s (+ 33%) and we have to wait ~ 2.4 s at inj. => Check in detail the time needed for the 2-bunch merging
- Could consider some options to try and reduce the cycle length if needed^{1/5}

NEW 50 ns SCHEME?

- 3 × 4b = 12b from PSB on h14 (~ 0.4E12 p/b) within ~ 2.5 / 4 ~ 0.6 µm
- Then, same things as for the 25 ns scheme

ISSUES? (1/2)

- Production of required bunch length at PSB extraction (assumed to be
 - ~ 70 ns for PSB recombination kickers' rise times of ~ 95 ns):
 - Can we do that? => Does not seem impossible at first sight and is being followed up by AlanF at the moment (will do some tests in the PSB) => Certainly with re-bucketing in h2 (with only 1 bunch)
- PS inj. kicker rise-time => Seems to be ~ 95 ns (see below)
- SC at PS injection => Could be fought by
 - Playing on the longitudinal profile (flattening it in the PSB?)
 - Increasing the bunch length in the PS (matched/unmatched?)
 - Increasing the PSB extraction energy between 1.4 and 2 GeV (Gain factor ~ 1.6 at max.)
 - If not enough, could slightly lower the transverse beam brightness in the PSB (but then we would gain less than a factor 2!)

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h	frf	Trf [ns]	taub [ns]	deltaT [ns]	
8	3498862	286	190	96	This case was said to be OK in the past => We can assume ~ 95 ns for the PSB recombination kickers
7	3061504	327	232	95	In this case ~ 232 ns could be OK
9	3936220	254	160	94	In this case the bunch length should be reduced to ~ 160 ns
14	6123009	163	70	93	In this case the bunch length should be reduced to ~ 70 ns
What about the PS injection kicker rise-time? I found a similar value of ~ 95 ns in the LHC Design Report in Chapter 5.3					apter 5.3.3 (to be checked) => Does not put another constraint on the bunch length
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ISSUES? (2/2)

- If we could increase the bunch length at PS injection it would help => What is the maximum we can do?
- Of course, if the PSB recombination and PS injection kickers rise times can be reduced it would also help...

CONCLUSION

- This new scheme uses the current LINAC2/PSB machines
- Possible use with LINAC4 being studied by ChristianC
- It should be linked to a PSB energy upgrade (between 1.4 and 2 GeV, exact energy to be determined)
- Going to 2 GeV bring a factor 1.6 in brightness => Can allow a factor 1.6 increase at PS injection at 1.4 GeV compared to the space charge limit (which still needs to be determined properly)
- For intensities larger than nominal the same result should be obtained (considering only space charge) as the beam brightness (intensity to emittance ratio) would be ~ constant => For instance, ~ 2E11 in ~ 2.5 microm for 25 ns and ~ 3E11 in ~ 2 microm for 50 ns

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