RCS and PS2 activities at CERN

Link to Beta-beams

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- Assure high reliability and availability of injector chain for LHC operation
 - PS magnet coils problems, main power converter problems
- Increase performance of injector chain for LHC operation
 - Higher beam brightness by more favourable energy ranges
- Improved performance for other physics applications
- Prepare for long-term (energy) upgrade of complete accelerator chain
 - Higher PS2 ejection energy to reduce SPS+ energy swing
- General consideration started begin 2006
 - Increased effort for PS2 since September 06
 - Increased effort for RCS since April 07 (based on BB RCS)

- Injection energy via beam brightness:
 - Reach twice brightness of the ultimate 25 ns LHC beam (20% reserve for losses): 4.0×10¹¹ per LHC bunch (inst. 1.7×10¹¹)
 - Determines line density at injection incoherent SC tune spread.
 - 4 GeV injection energy (previously 3.5 GeV)
- Machine length increased slightly to 15/77 SPS
 - ~ twice longer than PS because of higher ejection energy (50 GeV)
 - Previously 1/5 SPS (i.e. 2.2 x PS)
 - Needed to assure RF cogging with SPS for 40 MHz systems
 - h=180 (PS2 ejection) to h=924 (40 MHz) and 4620 200 MHz SPS

PS2 main parameters (protons)

- PS2 RF systems (2 principal routes)
 - 40 MHz only h=180 (with SPL as injector with 40 MHz chopping).
 - With present lattice (γt) bunches at ejection can be shortened to fit SPS 200 MHz buckets
 - 10 MHz (h=15) as main systems (with RCS as injector on h=1)
 - Additional 20, 40 MHz systems for splitting (cf. PS) each bunch in 12 LHC bunches (h=15 x 3 = 45 x 2 x 2 = h=180)
- Apertures
 - Determined by high intensity fixed target beam
 - Scaling from high intensity PS beam at 1.4 GeV
 - Normalized sigma emittances 15/8 mm mrad (h/v)
 - Adiabatic emittance damping by $(\beta\gamma)_{1.4}/(\beta\gamma)_{4.0}$

- Beta-beam baseline design with 3.5 GeV (p equ.) injection into existing PS corresponds to space charge limit!
 - We raised the injection energy to control the space charge

$$\Delta Q_{s.c.} \propto -\frac{N_{b}}{\epsilon_{n}} \cdot \frac{1}{\beta \gamma^{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{B_{b}}$$

- B_b will decrease like the ratio of circumferences when putting the same bunch in a machine with different circumference (ΔQ increases with R)!
- PS2 is a >twice larger machine and thus the space charge tune spread would double → unsustainable.

- Increased injection energy to gain by ratio of $\beta\gamma^2$
 - 5.5 GeV instead of 3.5 GeV (Bp increase by ~50% to 21.2 Tm)
 - Very large working range for RCS...no real option
- Reduce bunch intensity by a ~ factor 2
 - To compensate for overall intensity produce twice more bunches
 - One option is RCS at twice the frequency (20 Hz instead of 10 Hz)
 - Increased repetition rate for RCS (50 ms)
 - Only 50 ms accumulation time in ECR
 - ~40 instead of 20 bunches in the decay ring (OK for physics)
 - Half the bunch intensity means half peak current in decay ring bunches (good for RF) and half space charge.
- Keep harmonic number identical to PS (i.e. longer bunches)
 - Requires enlargement of frequency range of PS2 RF (lower side).
 - No other changes in the beta-beam scheme.

PS2 RF scenarios with Beta-beam(iii)

- PS2 40 MHz only option
 - Incompatible with beta-beams
 - Beam from RCS does not fit 40 MHz bucket
 - Short bunch would give enormous space charge
 - Note it is also incompatible with LEIR ion beams for LHC!!!
- PS2 10 MHz tuneable system (+20/40 MHz systems)
 - Compatible with beta-beams with changes
 - Doubling the number of bunches and repetition rate (h=40/42)
- PS2 10 MHz system with enlarged tuning range
 - Fully compatible with beta-beams
 - Same harmonic number (h=20 or 21)
 - Preferred scenario for beta-beams.

- Emittance definition for beta-beam baseline
 - We exploited fully the PS aperture to have the largest possible emittances for the beta-beam to reduce space charge at PS injection and also SPS injection
 - At a PS injection energy of 3.5 GeV proton equivalent (from RCS)
- The PS2 aperture is defined from protons and is significantly reduced because of adiabatic damping
 - Adiabatic emittance damping by $(\beta\gamma)_{1.4}/(\beta\gamma)_{4.0}$
- We can only profit little from the upgrade to 4 GeV since we defined the emittances assuming 3.5 GeV p-equivalent
 - Adiabatic emittance damping only $\sim (\beta \gamma)_{3.5} / (\beta \gamma)_{4.0}$ p-equivalent
 - The beta-beam ions DO NOT FIT the PS2 aperture
 - Aperture increase for Beta-beams needed in PS2.

- Injection energy via beam brightness:
 - Reach twice brightness of the ultimate 25 ns LHC beam (20% reserve for losses): 4.0×10¹¹ per LHC bunch (inst. 1.7×10¹¹)
 - Determines line density at injection and incoherent SC tune spread.
 - 400 MeV injection energy (Br = 3.2 Tm)
 - 4 GeV ejection energy (see PS2)
- Machine length 1/5 PS2 (~270 m)
- RF systems
 - H=1 RF system (700 kHz 1.2 MHz) for single bunch filling of protons to PS2.
- PS2 filling scheme
 - H=1 RCS to H=15 PS2, 14 cycles, 1 empty bucket for kicker gap.
 - 10 Hz RCS operation \rightarrow PS2 filling time 1.3s cf. to 1.2 s presently

Beta-beams with proton RCS (i)

- Injection energy :
 - 100 MeV/n for He and Ne
 - Smallest Br for Ne = 2.7 Tm
 - Requires small enlargement of field range on lower side \rightarrow OK.
- Machine length
 - Slight increase wrt. baseline RCS \rightarrow slight increase of SC
 - Acceptable (7.5%)
- RF systems
 - H=1 RF system for beta-beam will require enlargement of tuning range on lower side 480 kHz instead of 700 kHz
 - Eventually also needed for LEIR ions (alternatively h=2).
- PS2 filling scheme
 - H=1 RCS to H=20 (21) PS2, no change to baseline

Beta-beams with proton RCS (ii)

- Injection system :
 - Multi-turn injection system needed
 - Not needed for ions from LEIR (single-turn bunch-to-bucket).
 - Not needed for protons (H- charge exchange)
- Apertures
 - Again, like for PS2, beta-beam requires larger apertures because of our baseline emittance definition and scaling.
 - Proton reference (1.4 GeV PS) → scale to Br (400 MeV)
 - Beta-beam ions (3.5 GeVequiv.) → scale to Br (100 MeV/n)
 - (Present CERN estimate based on BB aperture requirements)

SPS for beta-beams with PS2 upgrade

• Space charge at SPS injection

- Due to the higher PS ejection energy of 50 GeV p-equivalent strongly reduced space charge effects (~factor 4).
- Most probably no need any longer for keeping long bunches to fight space charge – to be confirmed.
 - No dedicated 40 MHz system needed for beta-beam in SPS.
- Bunch transfer to SPS
 - The PS2 systems for LHC bunch train production and bunch shortening (20/40 MHz) should also allow the ion bunches to be short enough to go directly into SPS 200 MHz buckets.

Summary

- Beta-beam in (proton) PS2 requires
 - Enlarged tuning range of 10 MHz system
 - Enlarged apertures
- Beta-beam in (proton) RCS requires
 - Slightly enlarged working range for main magnets
 - Enlarged tuning range for RF system
 - Multi-turn injection system
 - Enlarged apertures
- Beta-beam in SPS profits from PS2 upgrade
 - Strongly reduced space charge
 - No extra 40 MHz system required