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The LHC Injectors Upgrade project at CERN optimized the injection accelerator chain to deliver proton intensities per bunch of 2.3e+11 ppb. Throughout 2023, the LHC was filled with up to 2464 bunches per beam using a hybrid injection scheme, involving up to 236 bunches per injection, with a maximum intensity per bunch of 1.6e+11 ppb. These beam parameters already revealed significant beam losses at the primary collimator in Point 7 during injection, with large fluctuations from fill to fill, limiting in several cases the machine performance. This contribution analyses the performance of the LHC during injection and discusses possible improvements.

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