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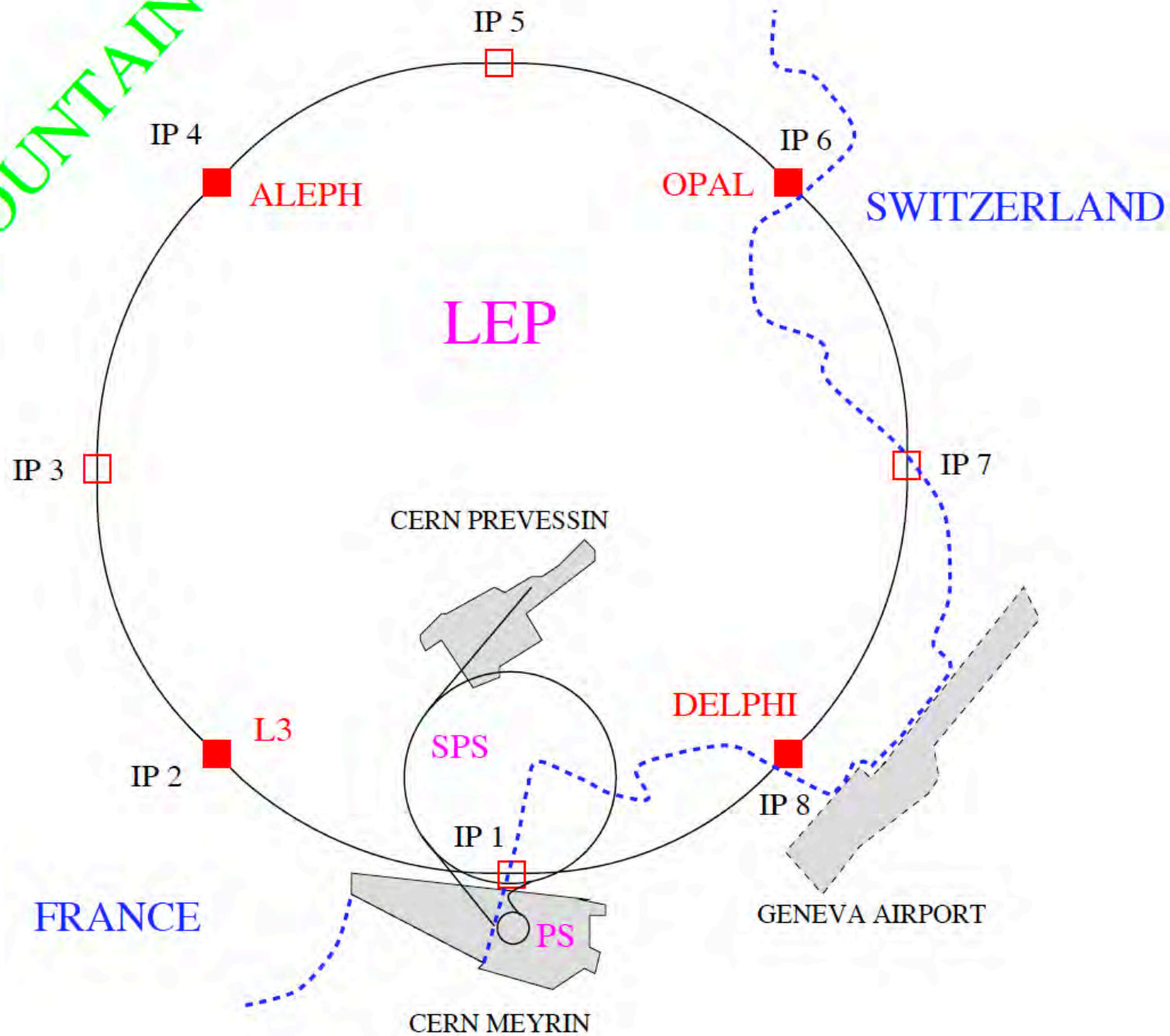
# COLLIDER OPERATION

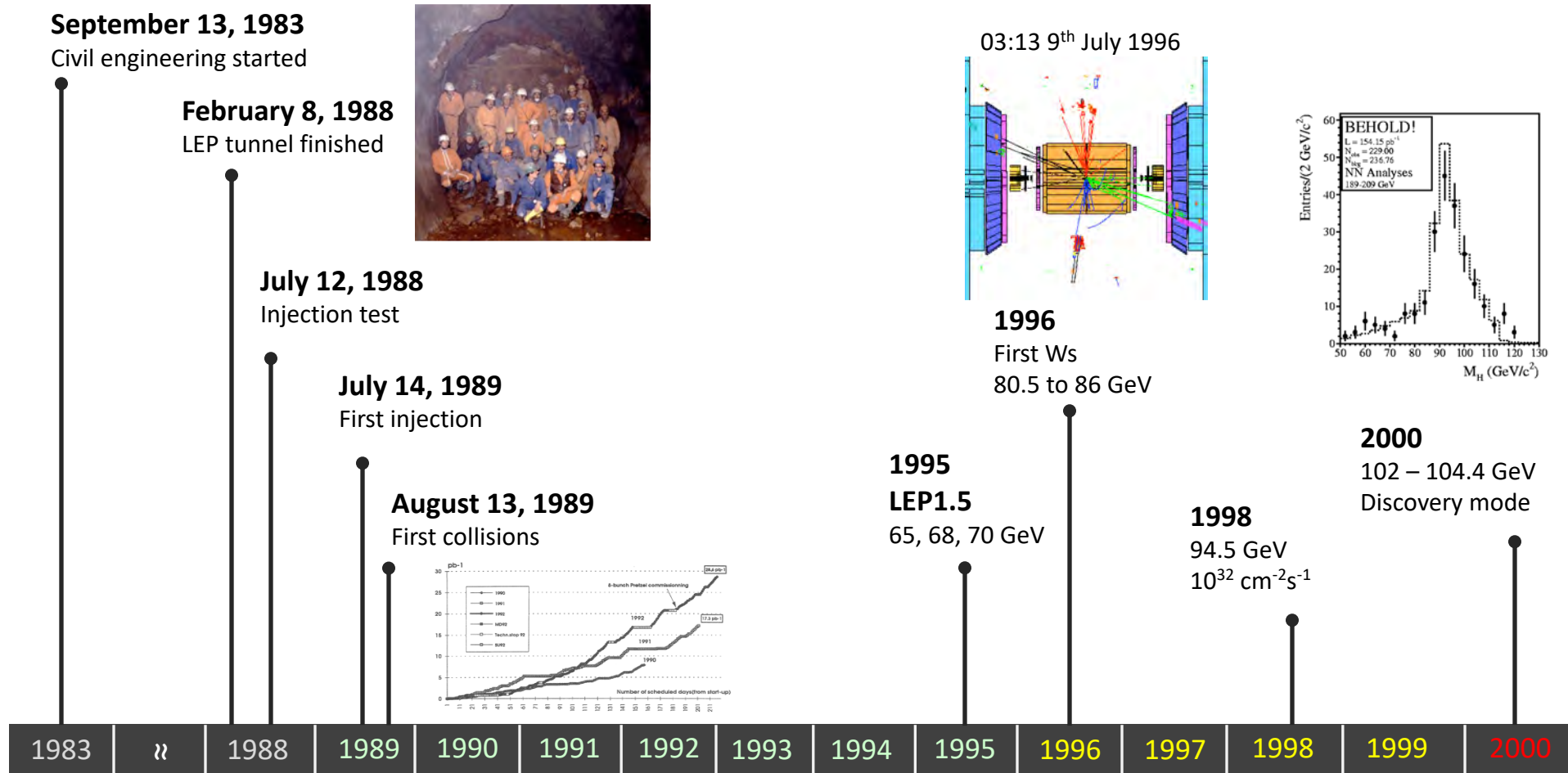


Mike Lamont 8/7/2021



JURA MOUNTAIN





# LEP TIMELINE



# LEP challenges

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- 27 km of equipment and instrumentation to keep running
  - 700 or so power converters,
  - 1000s of magnets: 8 of which superconducting
  - 20 or so electrostatic separators
  - Huge RF system
  - Lots of Collimators
  - Kickers, beam dumps
  - 250 Beam Position Monitors, Bunch Current Transformers, Tune-meter, Beam Synchrotron Light Telescope, profile measurements, Beam Loss Monitors etc
  - A few interlocks
  - Communication with the experiments

All held together with a rudimentary control system

# LEP challenges

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- Multi-cycle injection of electrons and positrons
  - Stability of lines, steering
  - Accumulation: resonances, coherent tune shifts, wigglers, radiation in experiments, etc. etc.
- Ramp between 22 GeV and 104 GeV
  - Tune, chromaticity and orbit control (particularly the start), resonances, bunch length, wigglers
- Squeeze between  $\beta^* = 20$  cm and  $\beta^* = 5$  cm.
  - Tune, chromaticity and orbit control
- Physics
  - Beam-beam, control of tune, chromaticity, orbit, beam crossings, coupling, lifetimes
  - Background optimization - collimation
  - Continual optimization to maximize delivered luminosity.

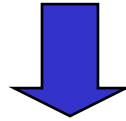


# 1989 - commissioning

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- 14th July: first beam
- 23rd July: circulating beam
- 4th August: 45 GeV
- 13th August: colliding beams

These people are to blame for what followed







First Chamonix 1991



# LEP – difficult teething

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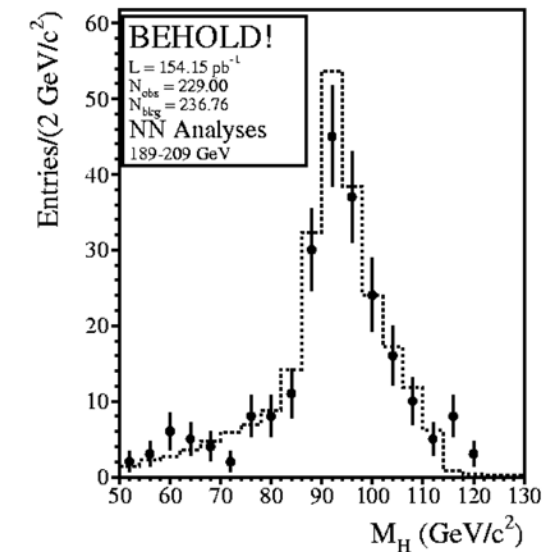
- Fractured high level control system
- It was slow (even in 2000 it took 15 s to acquire a closed orbit)
- Poor measurement facilities
  - Beam instrumentation lived in a world of its own. Very little integration.
  - Essential signals not available e.g. no beam lifetime, for example
  - Poor data management
  - Inflexible communication with experiments
  - No easy way of closing the measure/correct loop
- Poor and unreliable, incoherent data acquisition systems
- After commissioning and 2 years of operations we were faced with just wanting to get the beam up the ramp occasionally. Operations a real struggle (turn around was around 7 hours back then)

# 2000 - the end

- Total integrated luminosity of  $233.05 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  of which

- $4.42 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  at  $45 \text{ GeV}$
- $228.63 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  over  $100 \text{ GeV}$
- $131.73 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  between  $103.0$  and  $103.5 \text{ GeV}$
- $10.74 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  at  $104 \text{ GeV}$  or above

} Rather good





## LEP COULD BE OPERATED BY ONE MAN!



# The legacy of LEP

## The physics data (luminosity, energy, energy calibration)

“It should be stressed that the whole body of knowledge accumulated by the study of LEP and SLD data is simply enormous”

## The experience in operating large accelerators

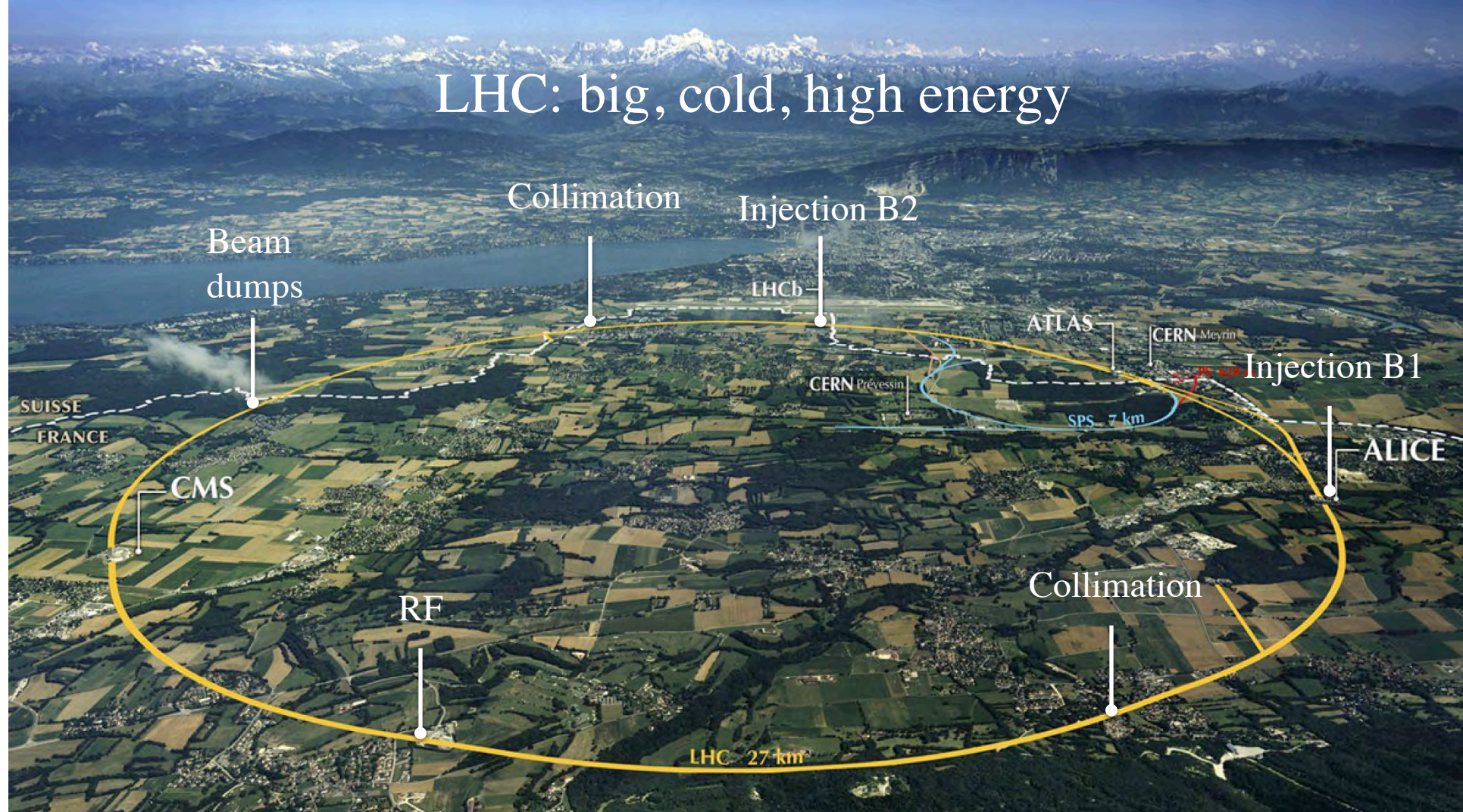
- Technical infrastructure
- Operational control (Orbit, tunes, ramp, squeeze...)
- Alignment, ground motion in deep tunnels
- Designing and running a large SC RF system.
- Impedance and beam dynamics in big machines
- Optics designs from 60/60 to 102/90 and 102/45

## Operation in unique regime of ultra-strong damping:

- Vertical emittance with small solenoid effects (dispersion-dominated).
- Beam-beam limit with strong damping.
- First confirmation of theory of transverse spin polarization.



# LHC: big, cold, high energy



1720 Power converters  
> 9000 magnetic elements  
7568 Quench detection systems  
1088 Beam position monitors  
~4000 Beam loss monitors

150 tonnes helium, ~90 tonnes at 1.9 K  
350 MJ stored beam energy in 2016  
1.2 GJ magnetic energy per sector at 6.5 TeV

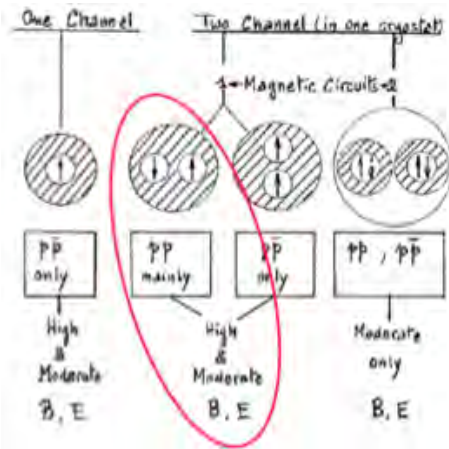


And some things that  
should not have been  
forgotten were lost.  
History became legend,  
legend became myth.





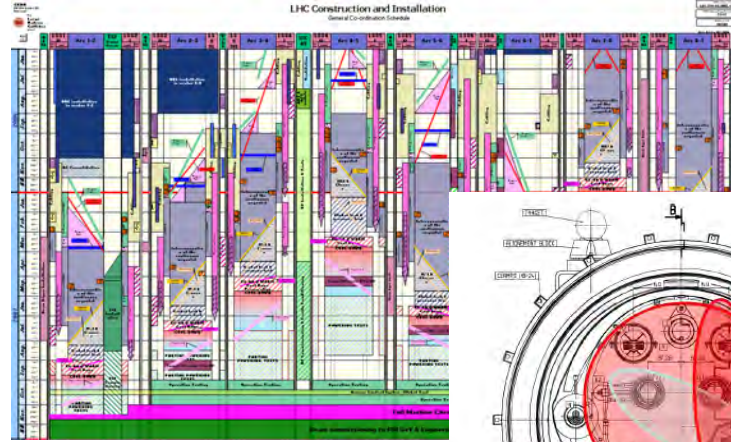
## Conception



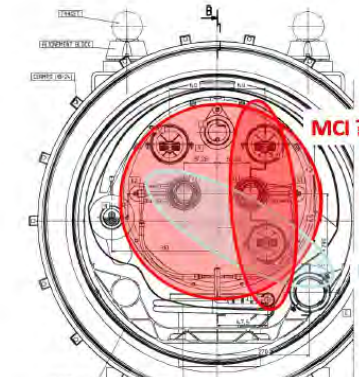
## Initiation



LHC approved by the Elders



## Birth – overdue



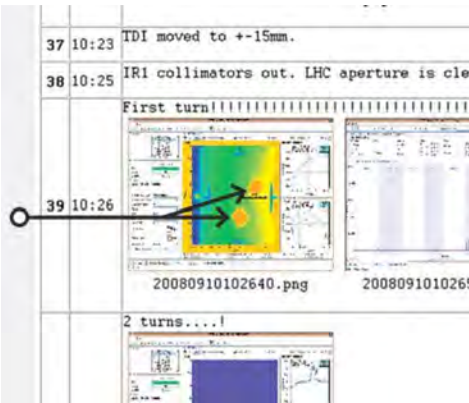
Withdrawal from community for mediation and preparation

## Rival stumbles

SSC cancelled



## Hubris (?) September 10, 2008

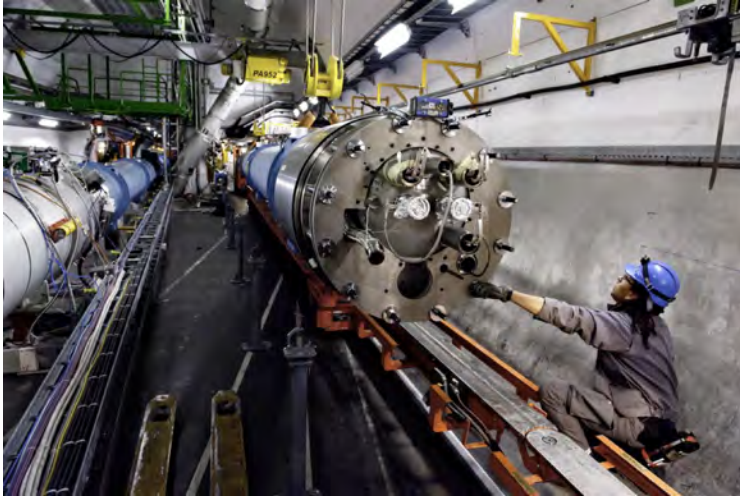


## Nemesis September 19, 2008

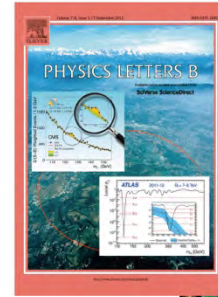


LHC





## Apotheosis and atonement



4 July, 2012

## Trial/descent in the underworld



November 29, 2009

## Resurrection and rebirth

2009

2010

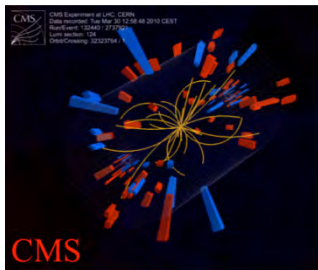
2011

2012

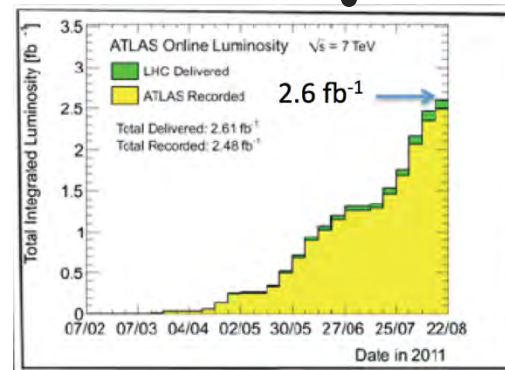
2013

March 30, 2010

First collisions at 3.5 TeV



## Ascension



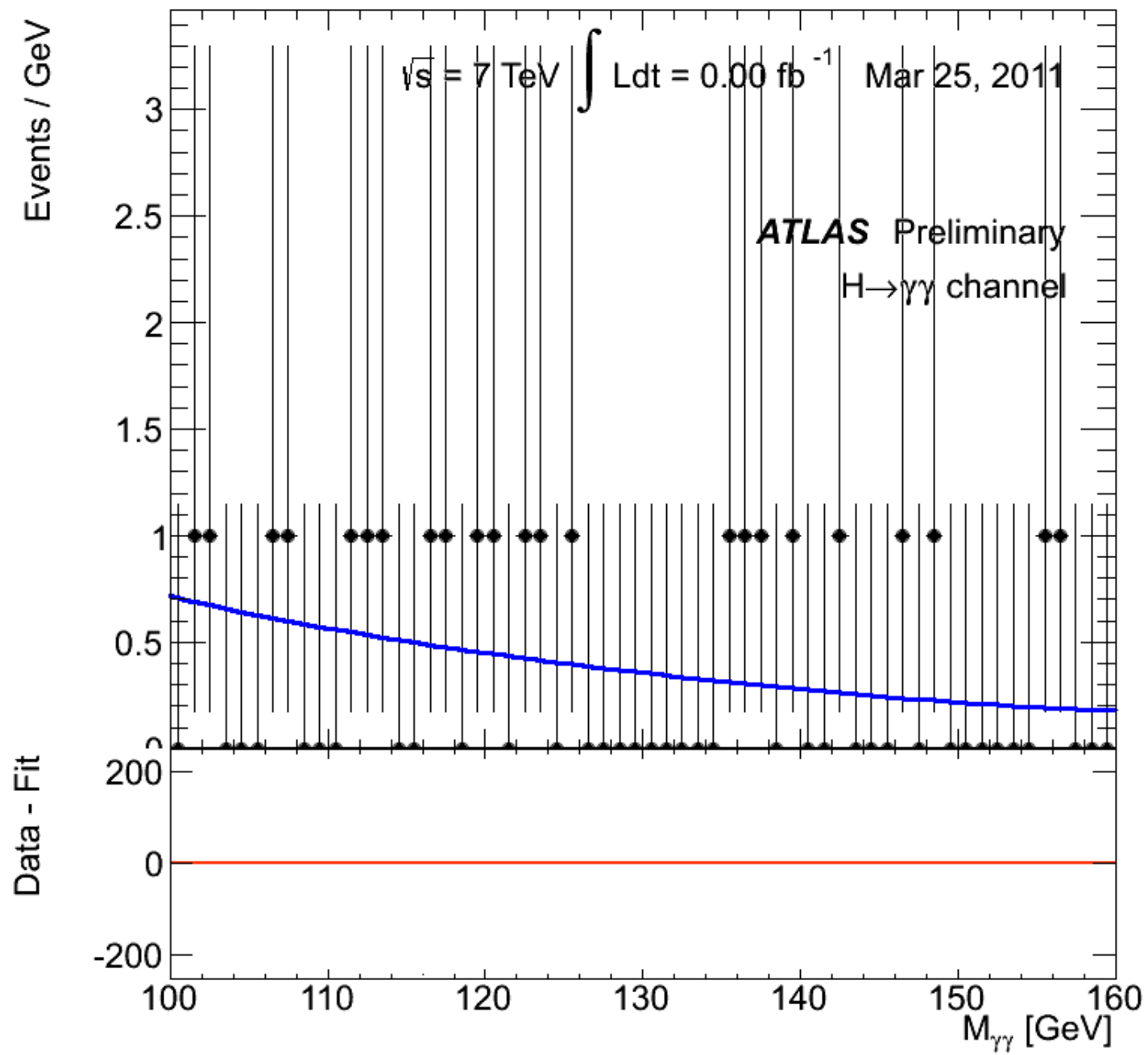
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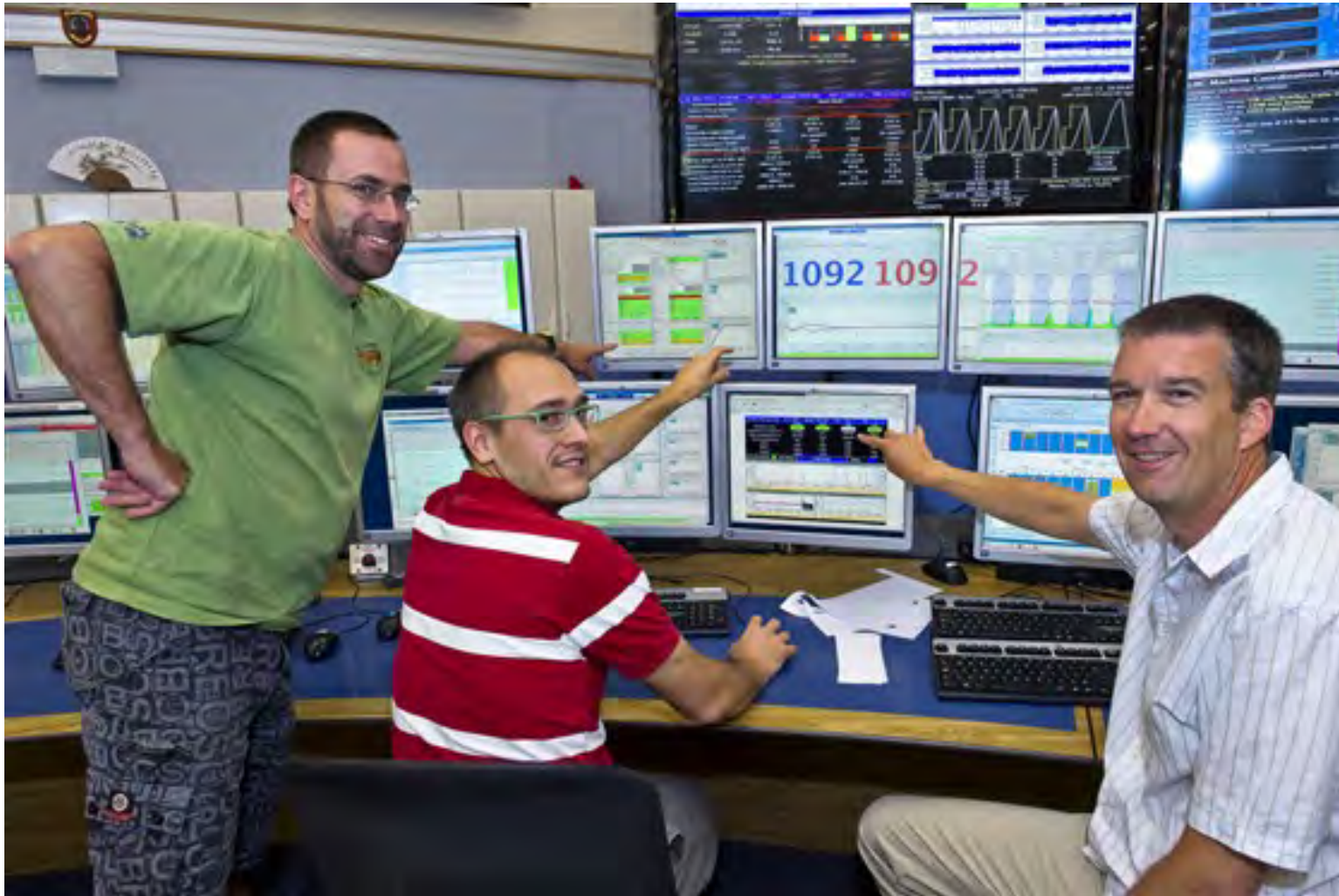
# And let us not forget Fortuna

- Late
- Over budget
- Blew it up after 9 days
- Costly, lengthy repair
- Rival coming up fast on the outside
- Had to run at half energy
- And yet...



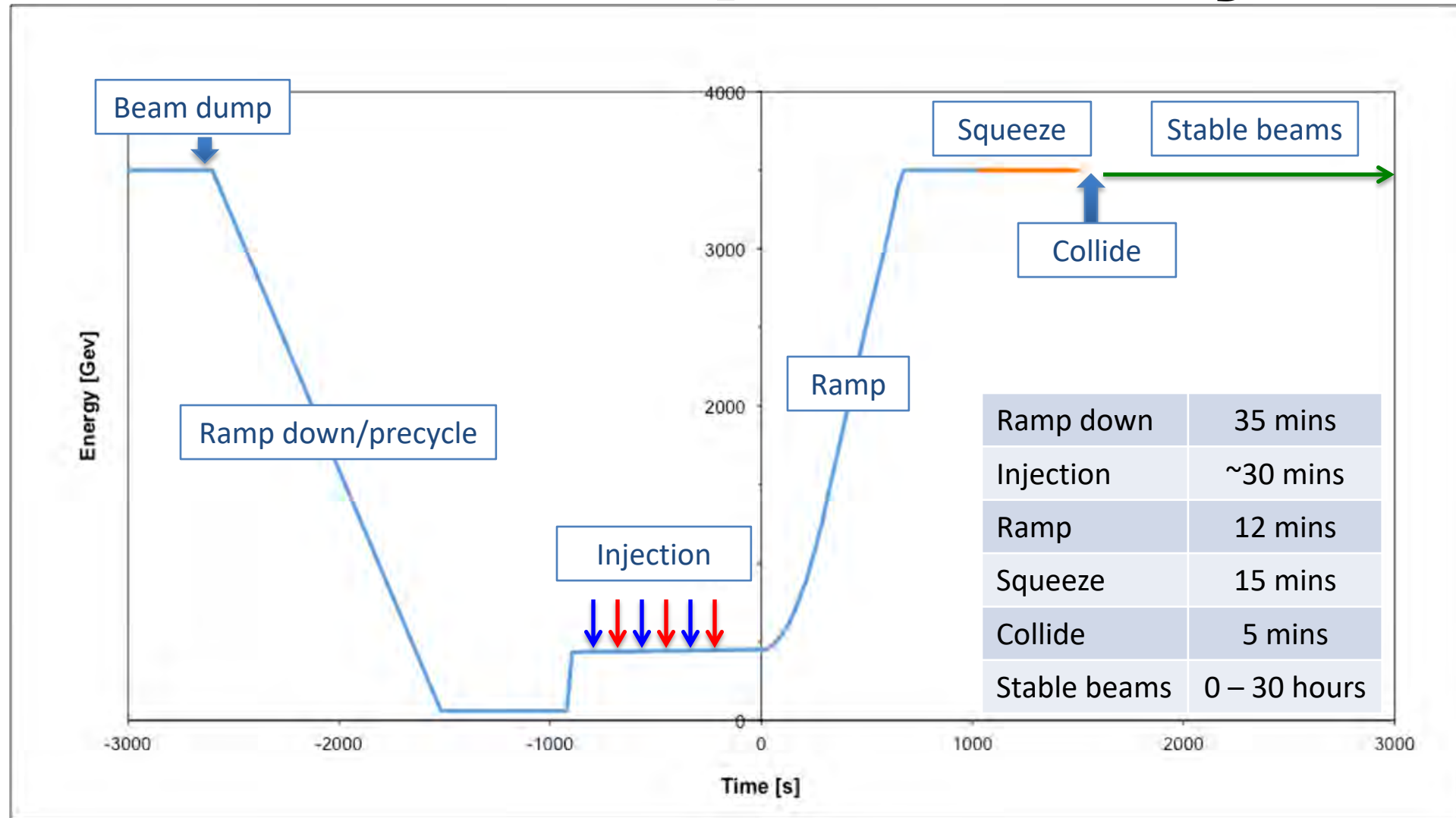






**LET'S GET OPERATIONAL**

# LHC Nominal Operational cycle



Turn around from stable beams to stable beams - 2 to 3 hours on a good day

# The controls' challenge

- **EQUIPMENT**
  - Collimators/TDI/TCDQ etc.
  - Beam Dump
  - Power converters,
  - Kickers
  - RF, TFB, LFB
  - Spectrometers & compensation
- **INSTRUMENTATION**
  - Distributed systems:
    - BLMs, BPMs,
  - Standalone:
    - BCT, BTV, AGM, BIPM, BWS, Schottky..
  - Tune, Chromaticity, Coupling
  - Luminosity monitors
  - Radiation Monitors
- **MAGNETS – RMS, errors**
- **MACHINE PROTECTION**
- **VACUUM, CRYOGENICS, QPS, EE**
- **EXPERIMENTS**

Settings, functions,  
monitoring, display,  
post mortem, control,  
acquisition,  
concentration,  
archiving, alarms,  
interlocks

Driving the machine  
through the cycle

Magnet errors, crossing  
angles, snapback, ramping,  
squeezing, colliding, orbit,  
parameter control,  
optimisation etc. etc.

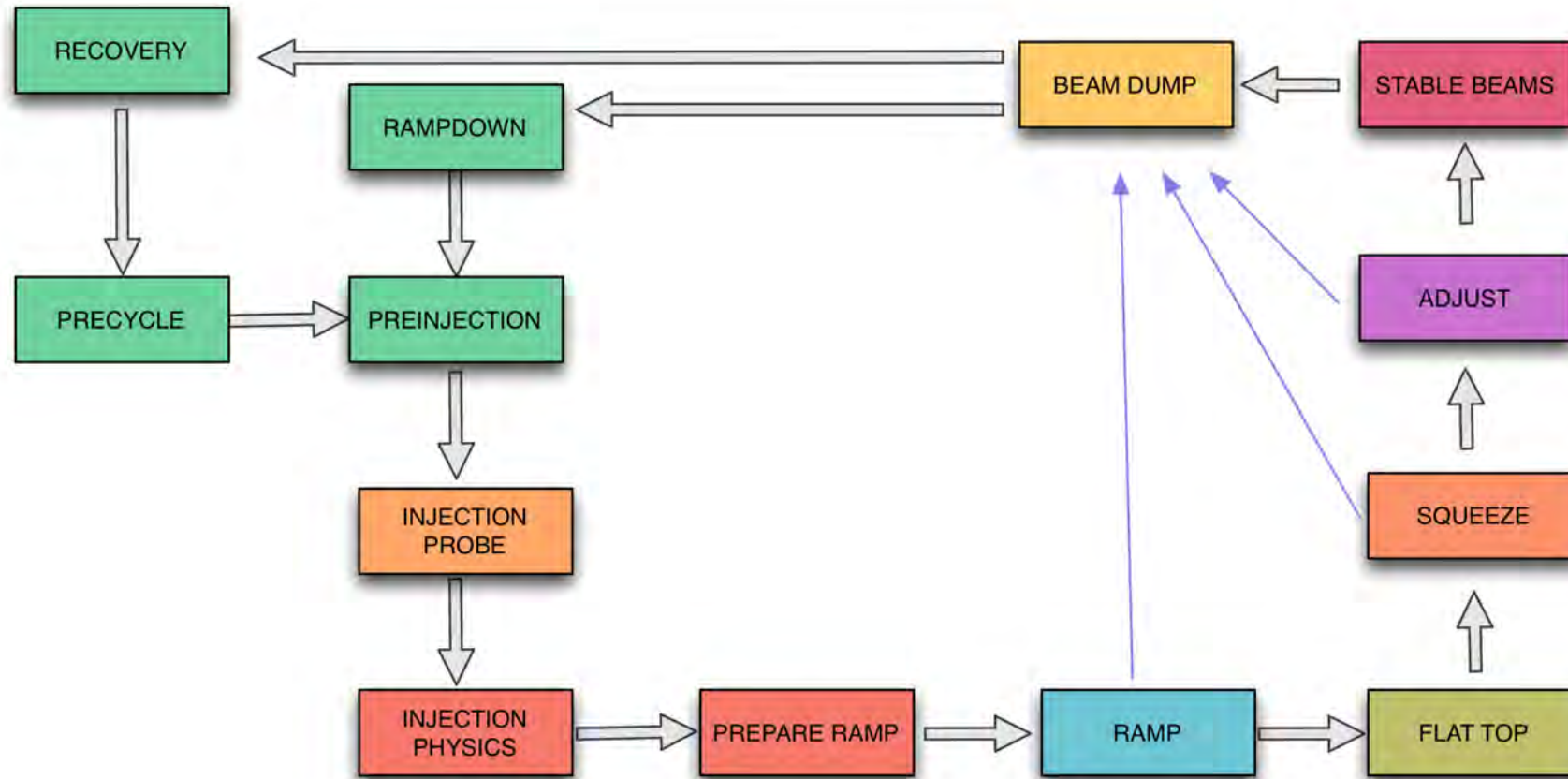
HIGHLY DESTRUCTIVE  
BEAM

TIGHT TOLERANCES



# Nominal cycle

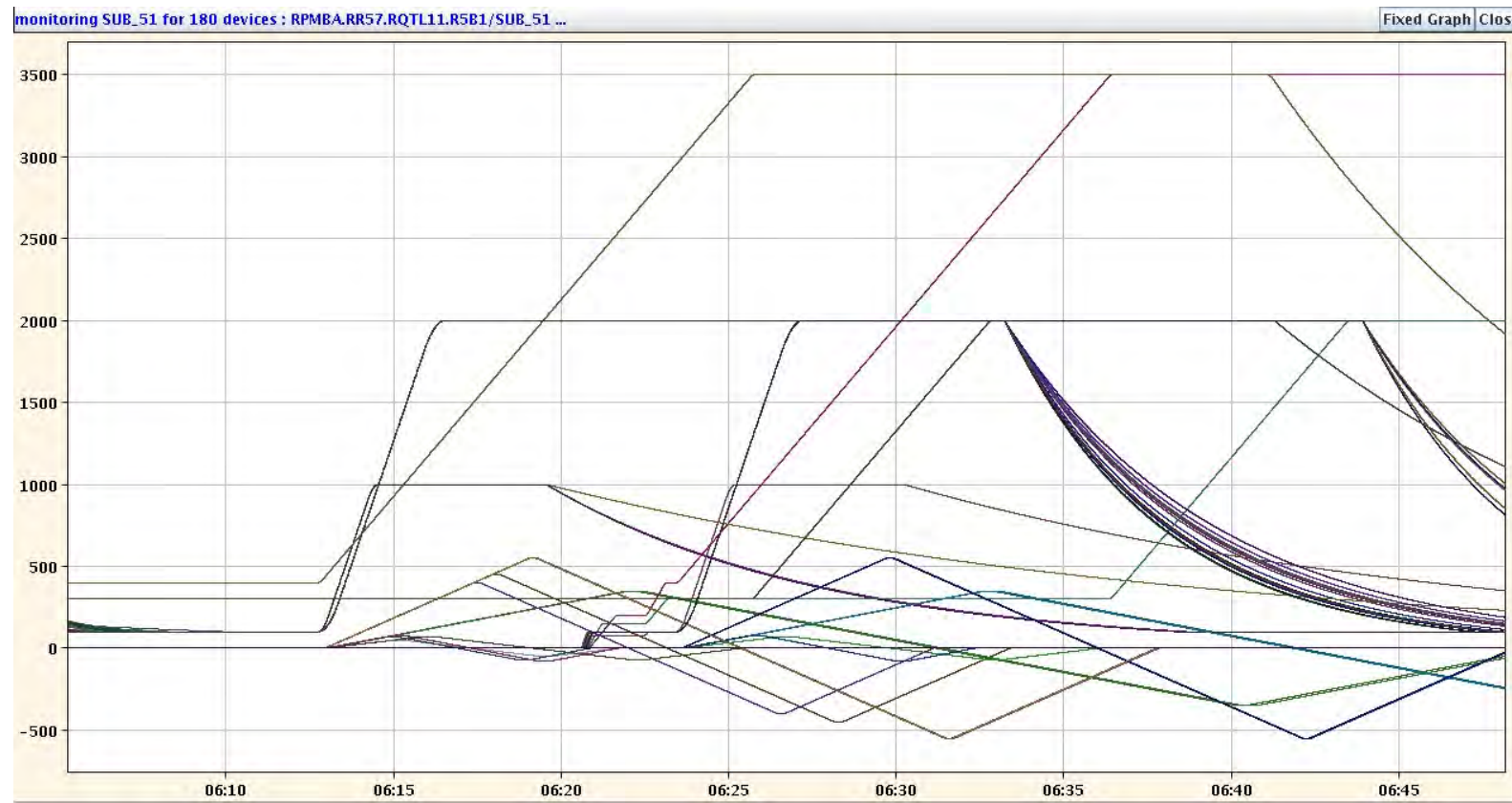
Globally the machine state is fairly well described by machine mode/beam mode combination



# Precycle/ramp-down

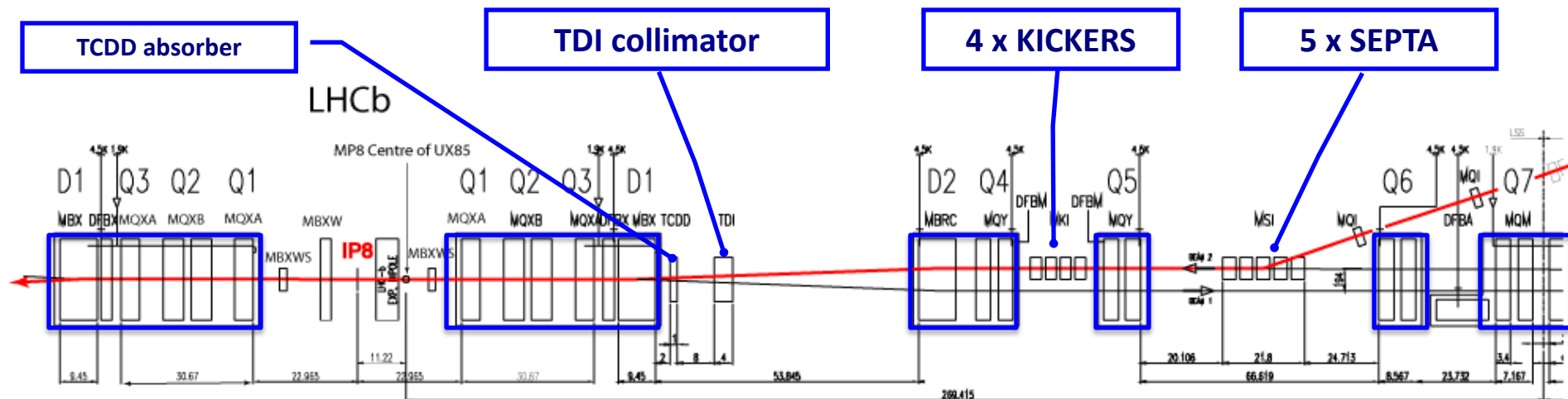
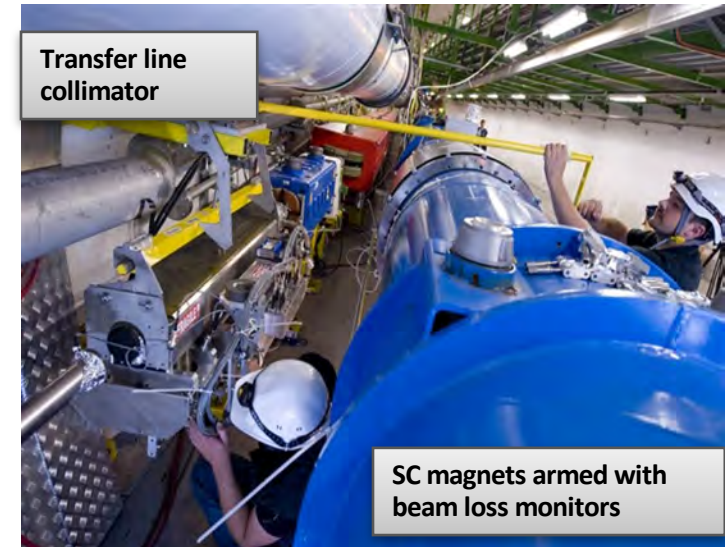
- Coming back from access
  - Full pre-cycle of all magnetic circuits
- After stable beams
  - Ramp-down/precycle combination

Aim: reproducible  
magnetic machine



# Injection

- Complex process – wrestle with:
  - RF: re-phasing, synchronization, transfer, capture
  - Timing, injection sequencing, interlocks
  - Injection Quality checks – SPS and LHC
  - Abort gap keeper
  - **Beam losses at injection, abort gap cleaning**
- Full program of beam based checks performed
  - Carefully positioning of collimators and other protection devices
  - Aperture, kicker waveform





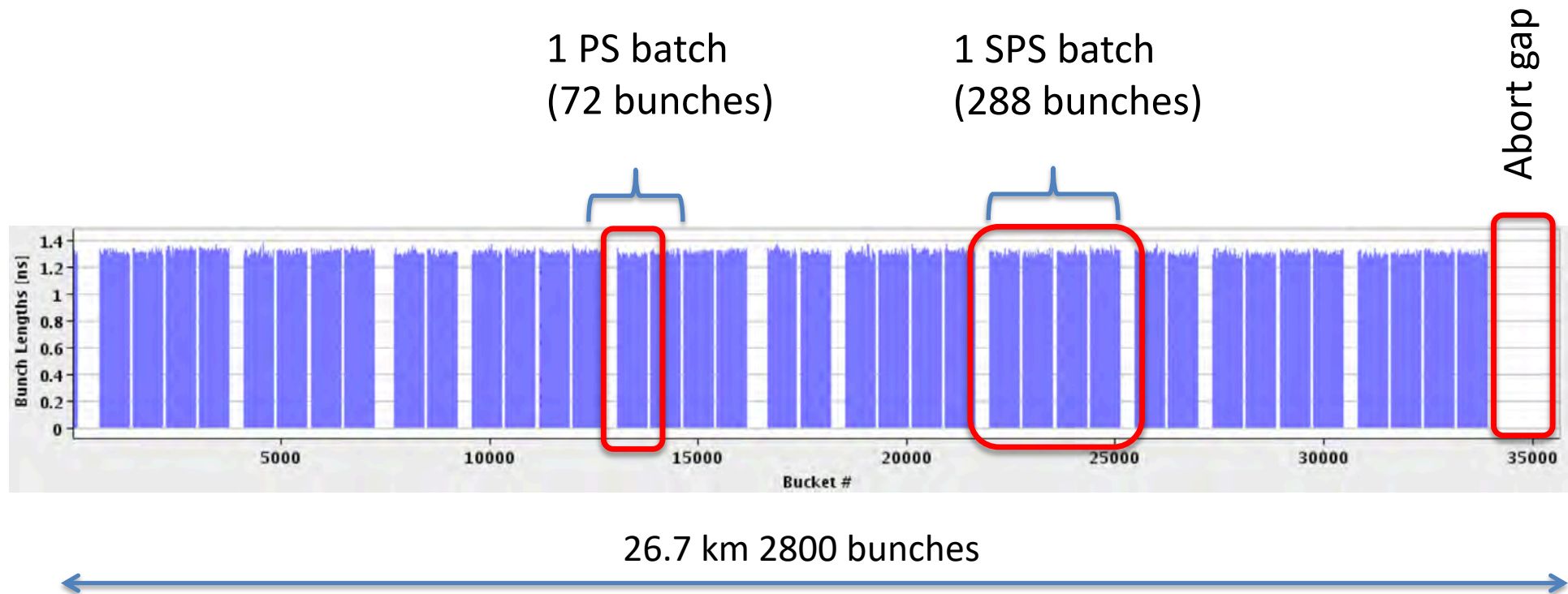
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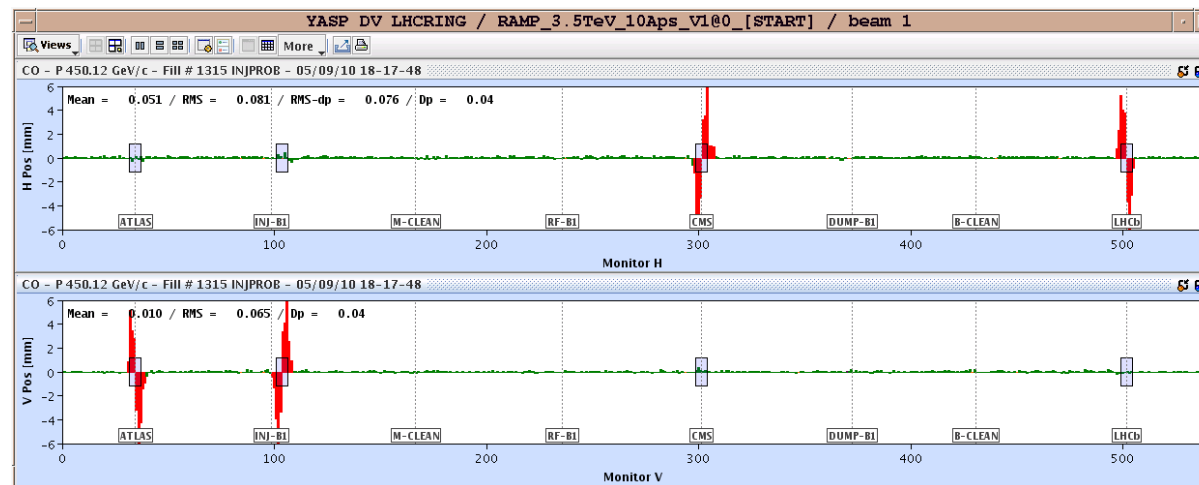
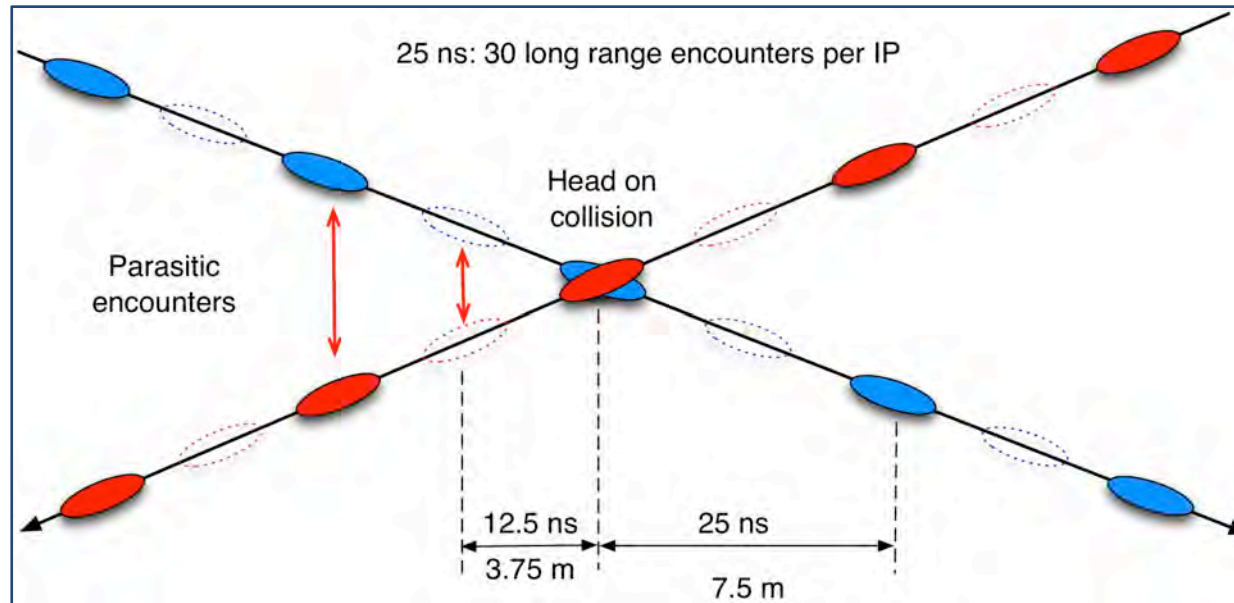
Video – 2'26"

# (Nominal) LHC bunch structure

- 25 ns bunch spacing
- Nominal bunch intensity  $1.15 \times 10^{11}$  protons per bunch



# Crossing angles at interaction points





# Filling

- LHC makes requests to the Central Beam and Cycle Manager (CBCM) which takes care of sorting things out in the injectors
  - Ring, number of batches, bucket number
- Injection process controlled semi-automatically by injection sequencer

50ns\_1374\_1368\_0\_1262\_144bpi12inj

LOAD
OVER\_INJECTION
PILOT R1 : 5791
PILOT R2 : 5791

INJECTION RING1

INJECTION RING2

RFBucket	NbrBnch...	BnchSpac[ns]	PS btchs	BnchInt[E9]	level
1	6	50	1	100	INTR
651	144	50	4	100	NOM
4121	144	50	4	100	NOM
7721	72	50	2	100	NOM
9591	144	50	4	100	NOM
13061	144	50	4	100	NOM
16661	72	50	2	100	NOM
18531	144	50	4	100	NOM
22001	144	50	4	100	NOM
25481	72	50	2	100	NOM
27351	144	50	4	100	NOM
30821	144	50	4	100	NOM

RFBucket	NbrBnch...	BnchSpac[ns]	PS btchs	BnchInt[E9]	level
121	6	50	1	100	INTR
651	144	50	4	100	NOM
4121	144	50	4	100	NOM
7721	72	50	2	100	NOM
9591	144	50	4	100	NOM
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27351	144	50	4	100	NOM
30821	144	50	4	100	NOM

INJECTION\_SUCCESS

INJECTION\_SUCCESS

RESET
Start
Step
STOP

☒ Enable inj cleaning
DB/BQM check

Clear bch conf
set Bu int

MD OPTIONS

RESET
Start
Step
STOP

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Clear bch conf
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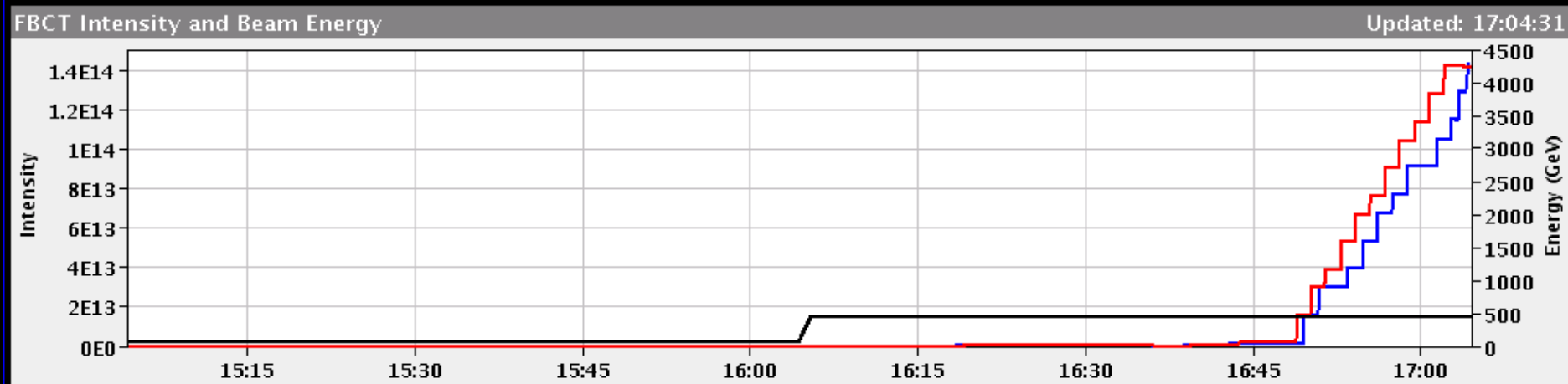
MD OPTIONS

# PROTON PHYSICS: INJECTION PHYSICS BEAM

BCT TI2: 7.78e+13 I(B1): 1.42e+14 BCT TI8: 0.00e+00 I(B2): 1.43e+14

TED TI2 position: BEAM TDI P2 gaps/mm up: 10.68 down: 9.23

TED TI8 position: BEAM TDI P8 gaps/mm up: 9.49 down: 9.53



Comments 13-04-2012 16:47:56 :

BIS status and SMP flags

B1 B2

fill with 1092b

Link Status of Beam Permits

false false

Global Beam Permit

true true

Setup Beam

false false

Beam Presence

true true

Moveable Devices Allowed In

false false

Stable Beams

false false

AFS: 50ns\_1092b\_1054\_0\_1032\_108bpi12inj

PM Status B1

ENABLED

PM Status B2

ENABLED

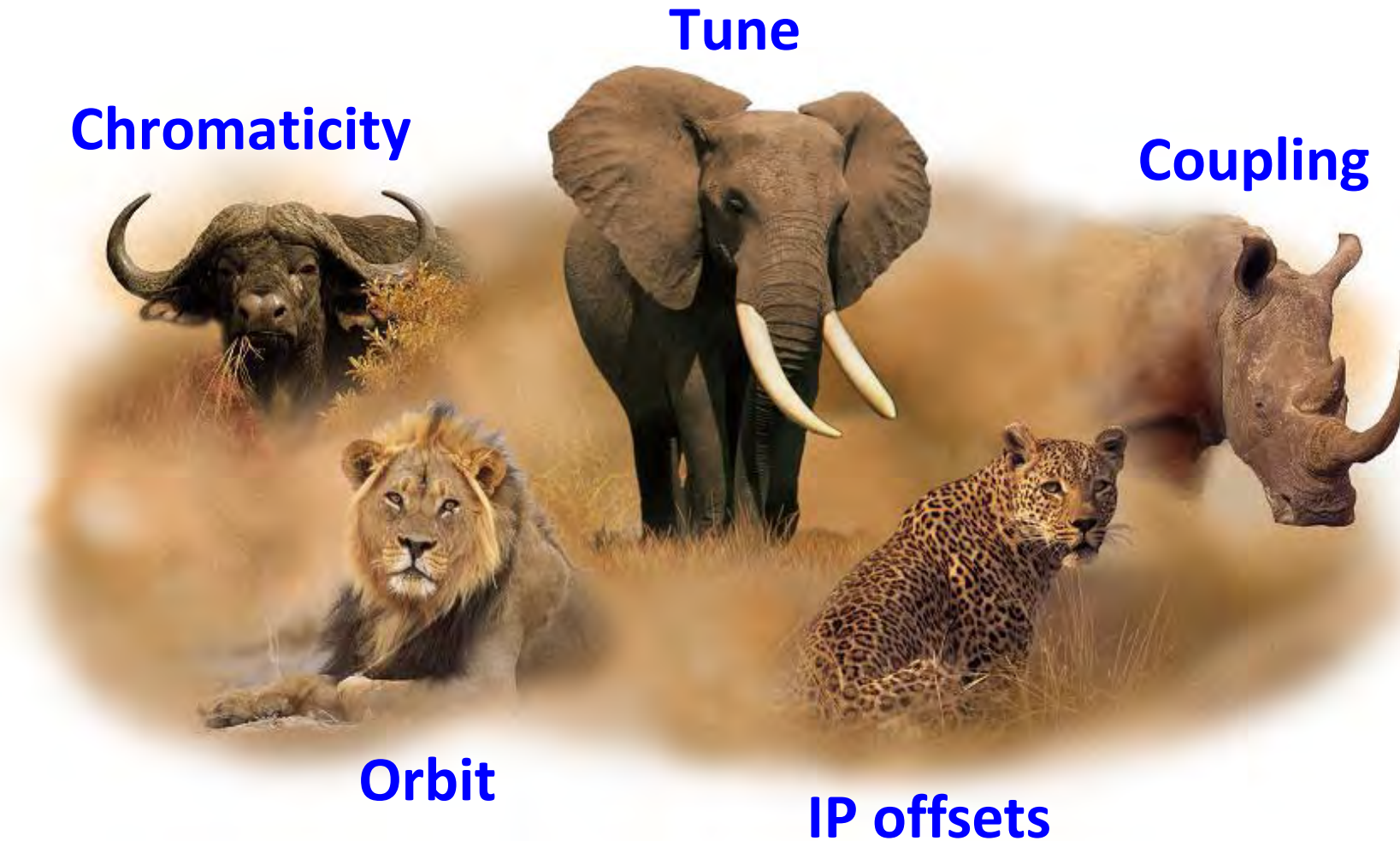


# Ramp

- Load power converters (1700+)
- Load collimators
- Load RF settings
- Load transverse feedback
- Get orbit and tune feedback on
- Send timing event
- Get a cup of coffee
- BLM thresholds, beam dump - tracking energy

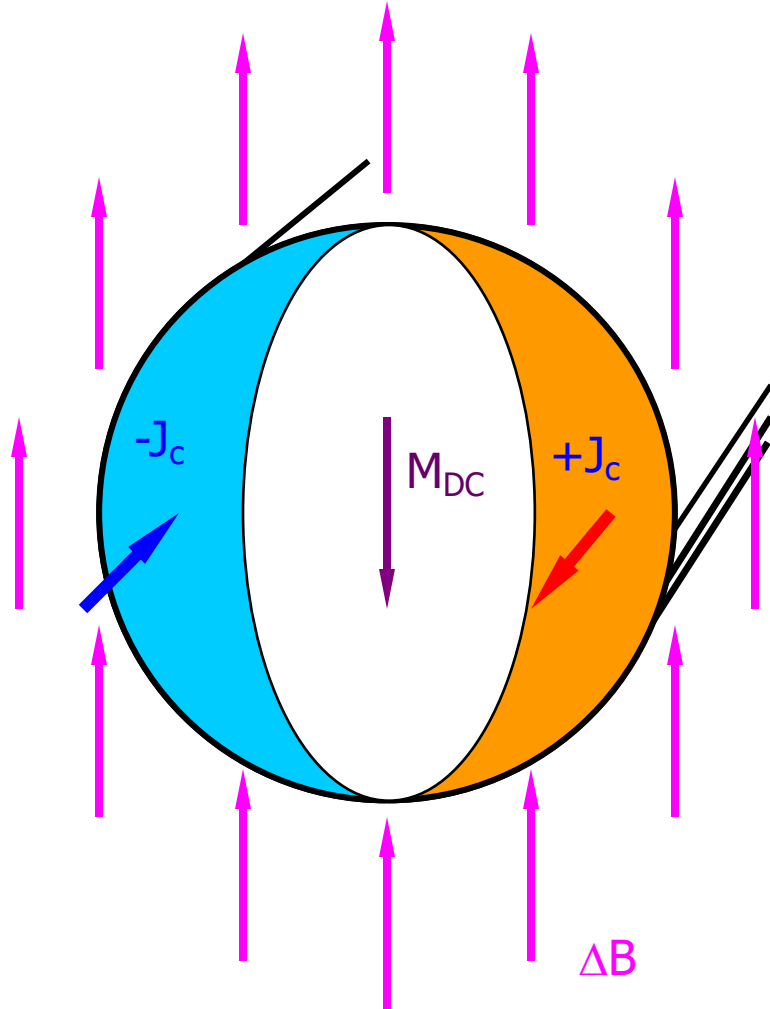


# Parameter safari: the big five





# Persistent currents



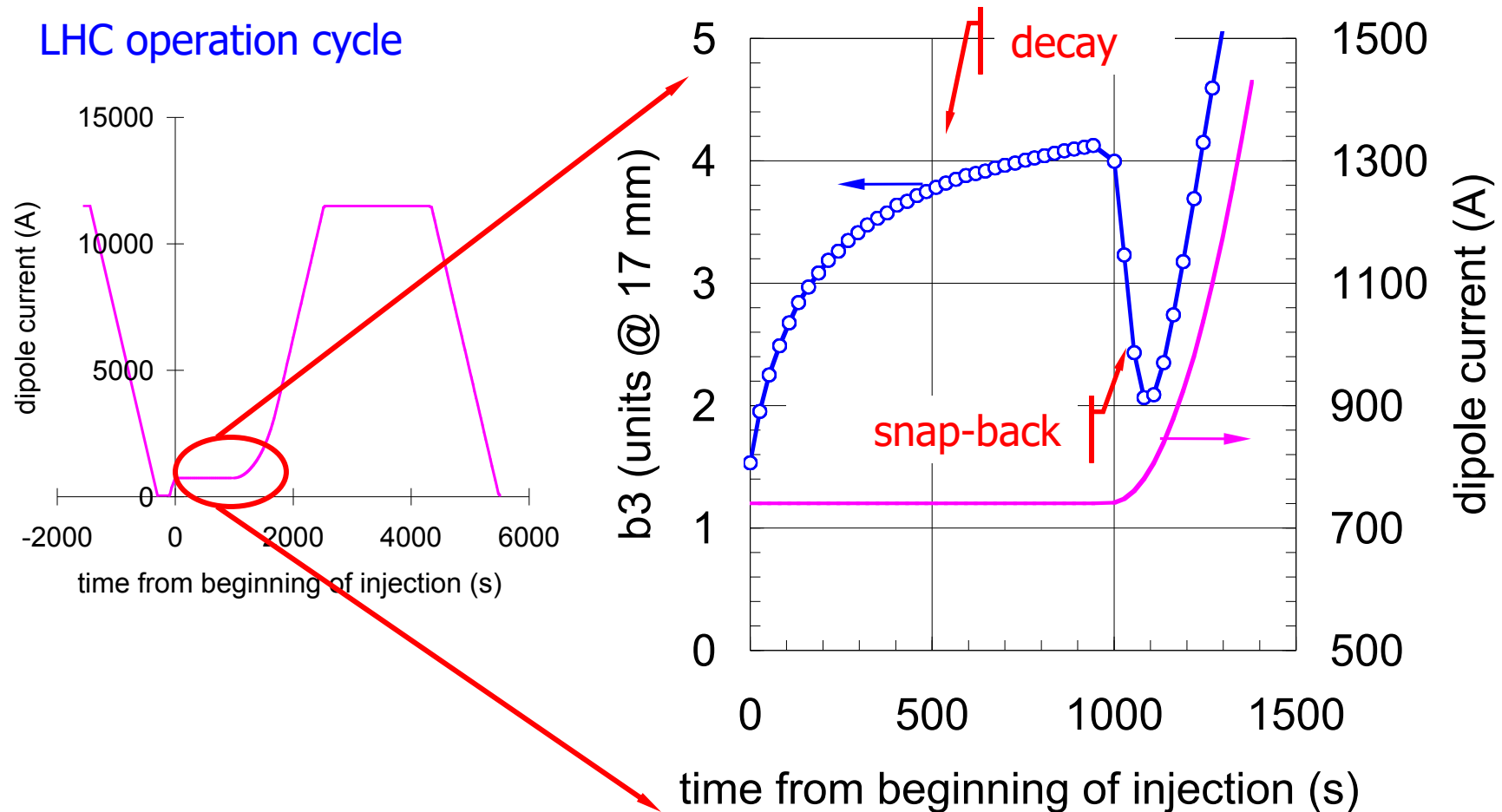
- Field change  $\Delta B$
- Eddy currents  $J_c$  with  $\tau=\infty \Rightarrow$  *persistent*
- Diamagnetic moment at each filament:  $M_{DC} \approx J_c * D_{fil}$

$D_{fil}$  - filament diameter: 6-7  $\mu m$

This really messes with the field quality of the main dipoles. Large field errors, in particular, sextupole, are introduced.

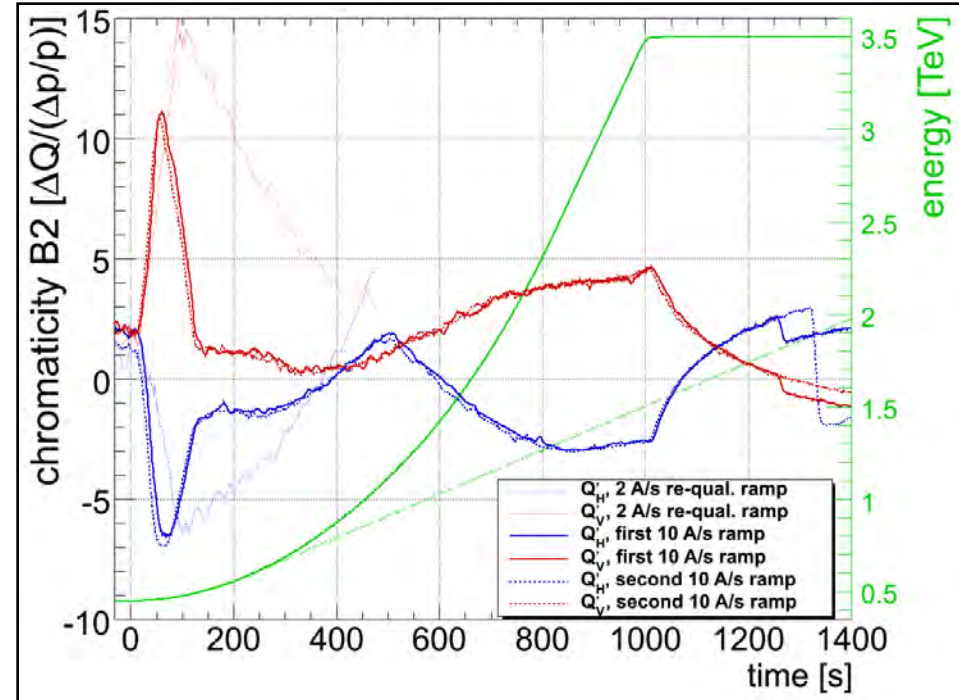
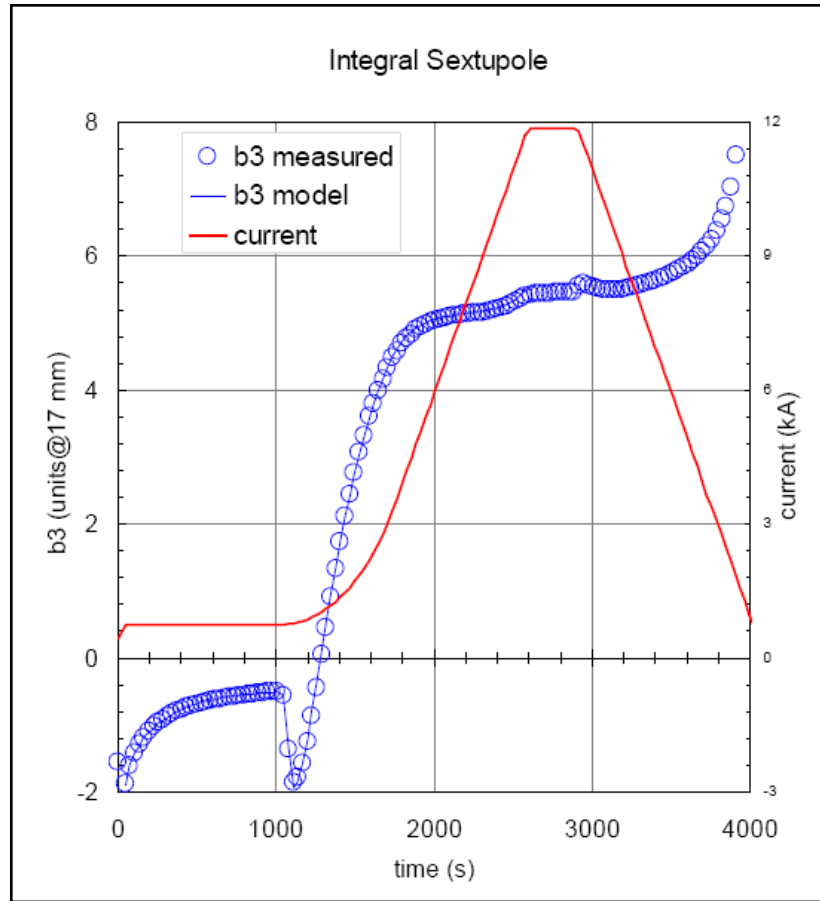
Exacerbated by the fact the effects are dynamic...

# Decay and Snap-back



# Magnet model

- Knowledge of the magnetic machine is good
- All magnet 'transfer functions', all harmonics including decay and snapback
- Tunes, momentum, optics all close to the model



Model based feed-forward reduces chromaticity swing



# PROTON PHYSICS: RAMP

Energy:

4000 GeV

I(B1):

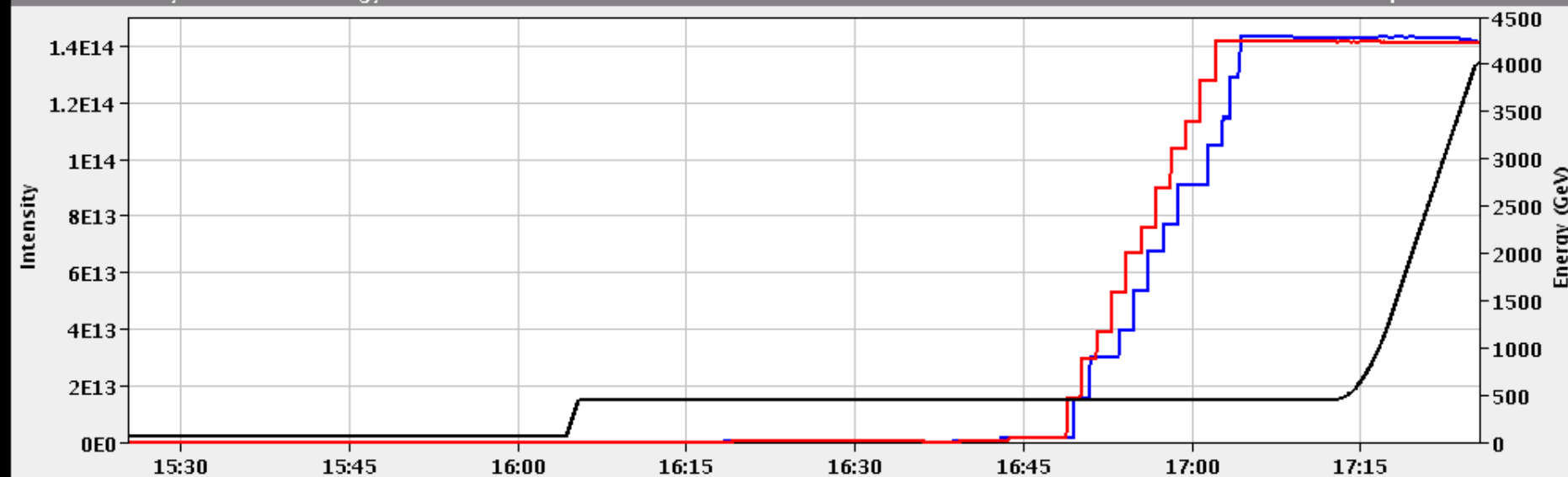
1.41e+14

I(B2):

1.42e+14

FBCT Intensity and Beam Energy

Updated: 17:25:33



Comments 13-04-2012 16:47:56 :

BIS status and SMP flags

B1

B2

fill with 1092b

Link Status of Beam Permits

true

true

Global Beam Permit

true

true

Setup Beam

false

false

Beam Presence

true

true

Moveable Devices Allowed In

false

false

Stable Beams

false

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PM Status B1

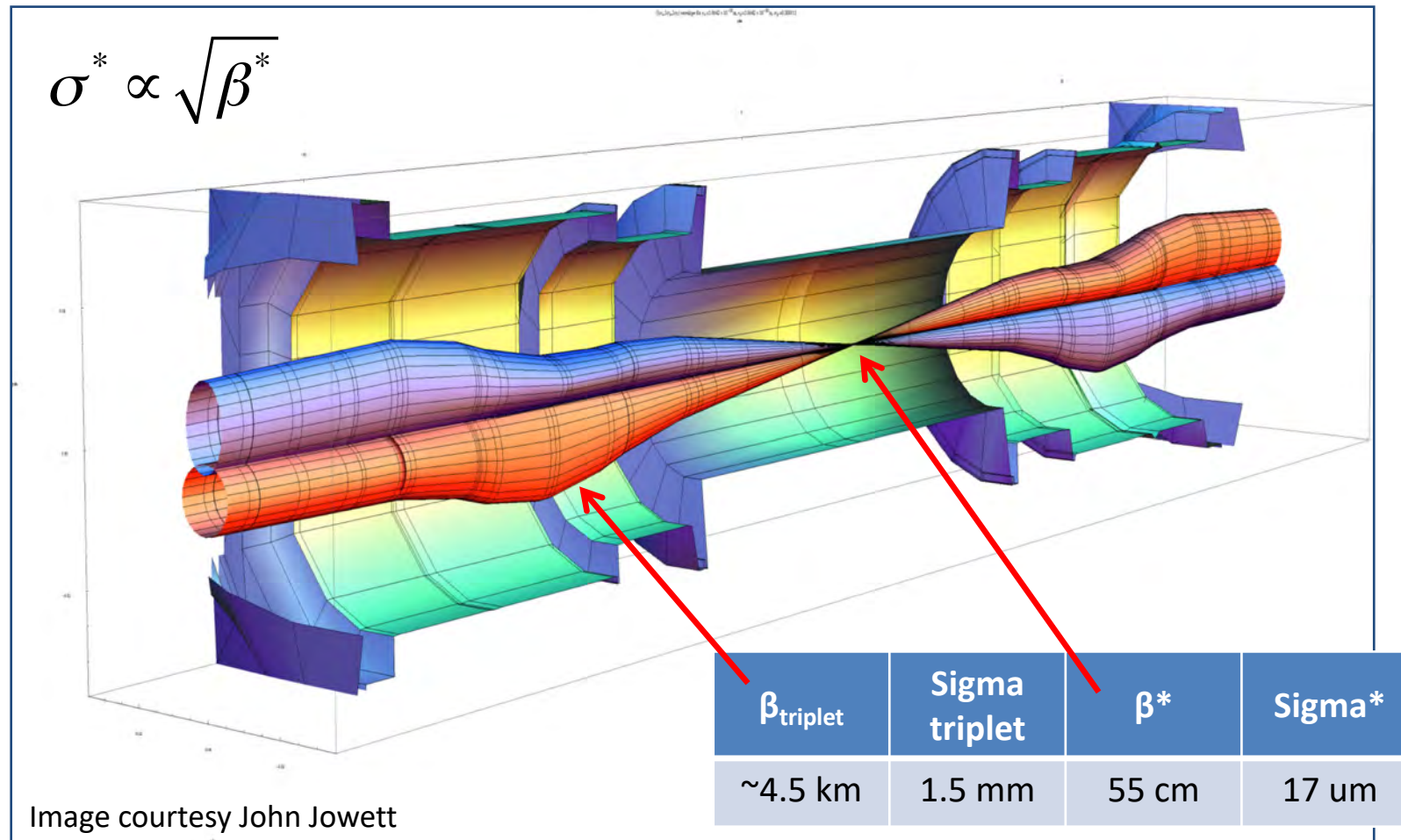
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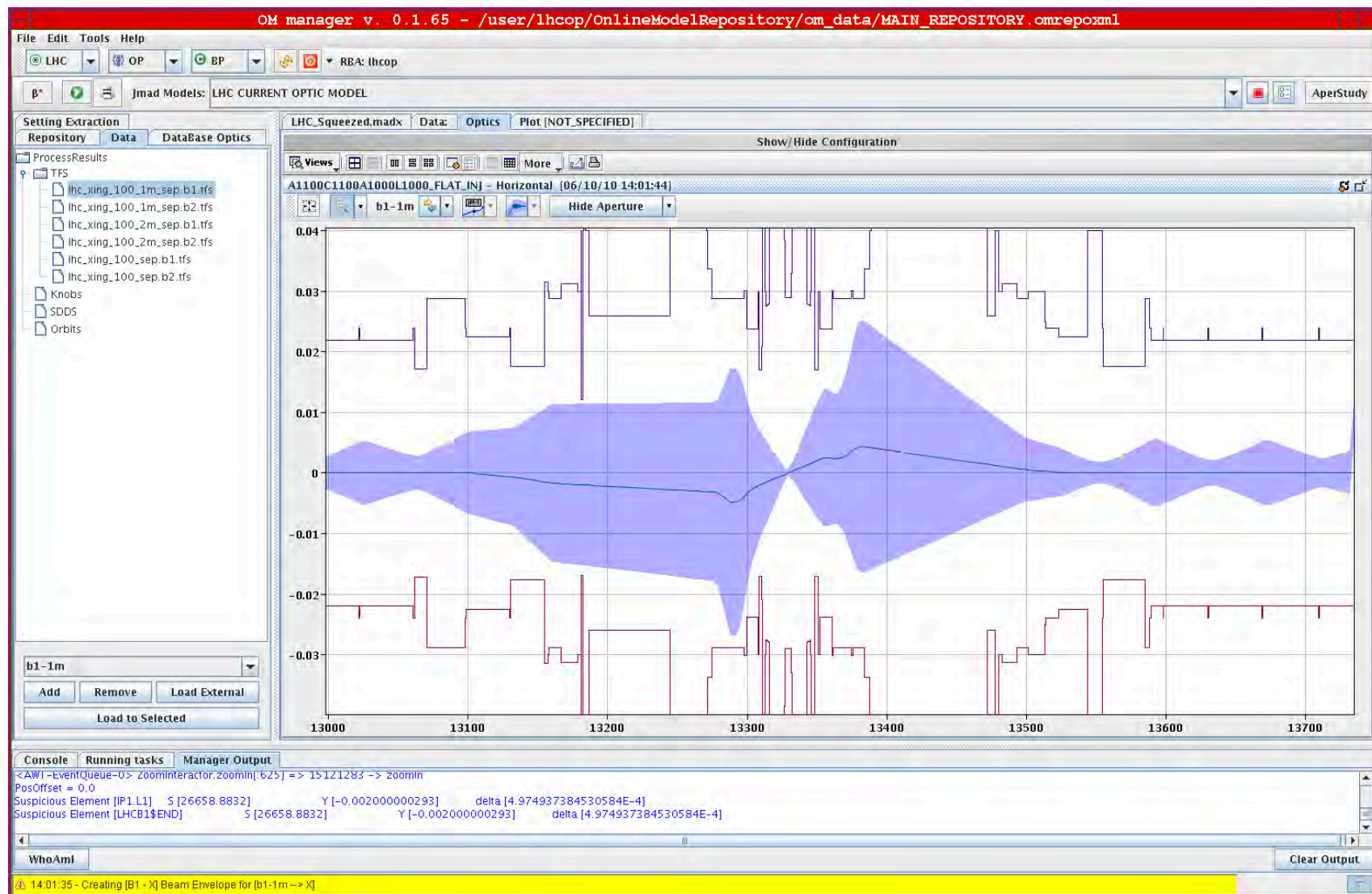
PM Status B2

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# Squeeze

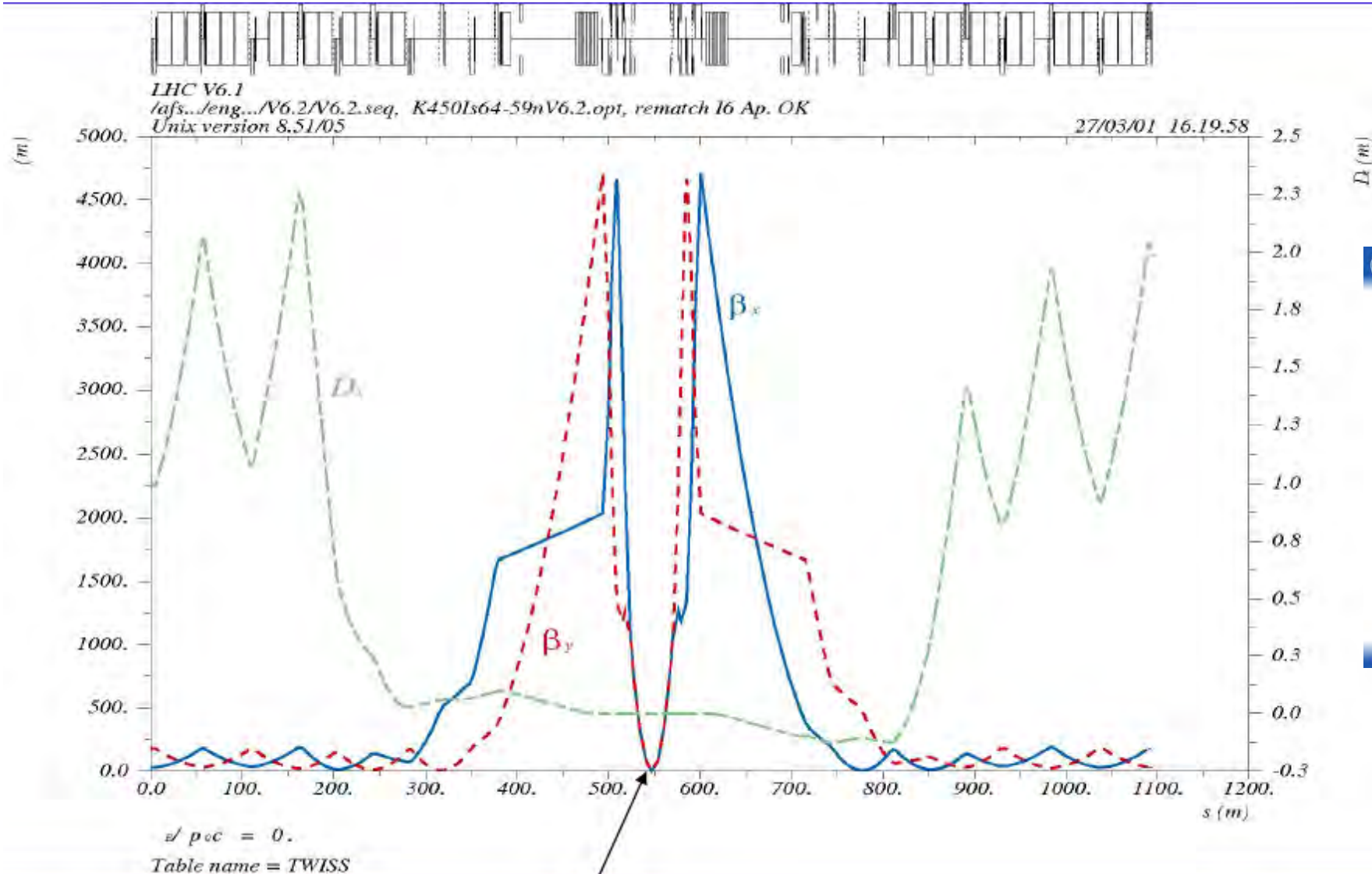
- Lower  $\beta^*$  implies larger beams in the triplet magnets
- Larger beams implies a larger crossing angle
- **Aperture concerns dictate caution** (inject & ramp with high  $\beta^*$  at IP, minimum  $\beta^*$ )







# Squeeze



$\beta^*$  is like toothpaste...



R. Bruce, 2016.12.15

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# Squeeze in practice

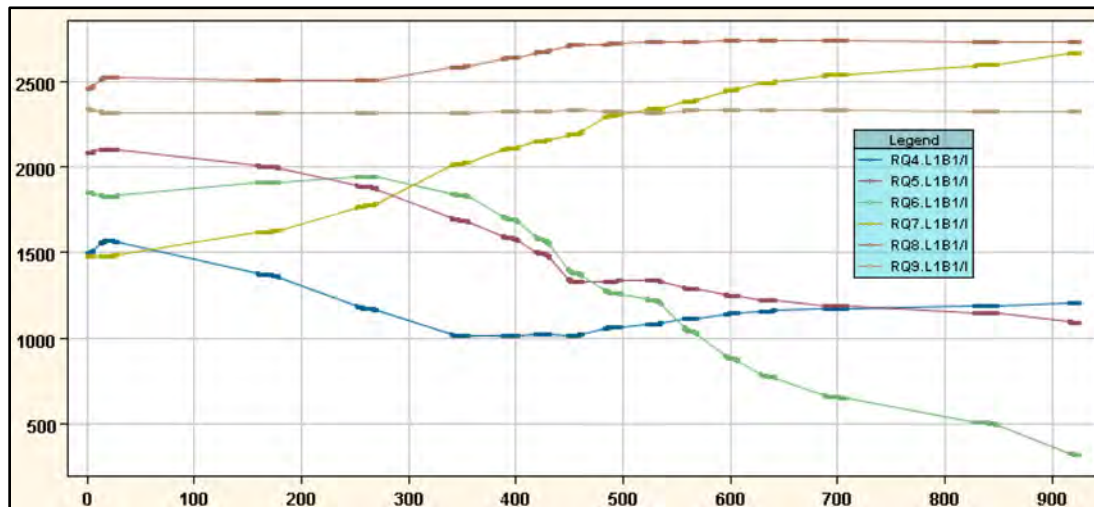
Matched optics

Time in  
seconds

Optic Name	Energy	Time
A1100C1100A1000L1000_INJ_2012	4000.0	0
A1100C1100A1000L1000_2012	4000.0	19
A900C900A900_0.00915L750_0.00932_2012	4000.0	169
A700C700A750_0.00897L600_0.00909_2012	4000.0	262
A400C400A600_0.00889L500_0.00900_2012	4000.0	348
A300C300A500_0.00889L375_0.00888_2012	4000.0	396
A250C250A450_0.00889L350_0.00882_2012	4000.0	425
A200C200A400_0.00889L325_0.00878_2012	4000.0	455
A160C160A350_0.00889L300_0.00875_2012	4000.0	491
A150C150A300_0.00889L300_0.00875_2012	4000.0	529
A120C120A300_0.00889L300_0.00875_2012	4000.0	563
A100C100A300_0.00889L300_0.00875_2012	4000.0	602
A90C90A300_0.00889L300_0.00875_2012	4000.0	634
A80C80A300_0.00889L300_0.00875_2012	4000.0	696
A70C70A300_0.00889L300_0.00875_2012	4000.0	840
A60C60A300_0.00889L300_0.00875_2012	4000.0	925

← Beta\* - 11 m ATLAS, CMS; 10 m in ALICE, LHCb

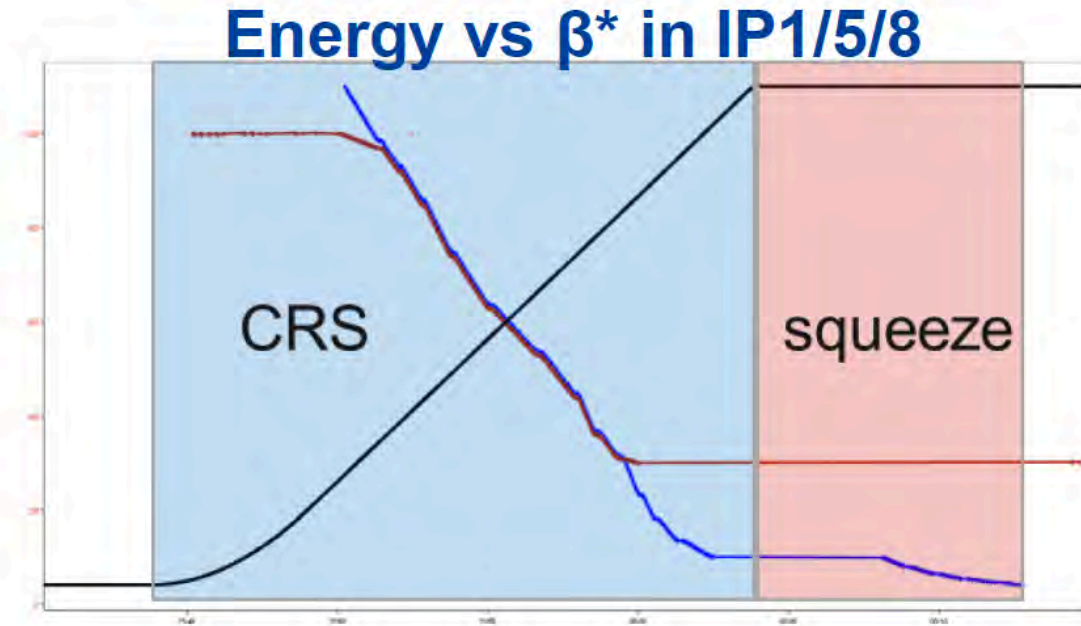
← Beta\* - 0.6 m ATLAS, CMS; 3 m in ALICE, LHCb



Current during the squeeze  
in a few quads at point 1

# With practice - 2017

- ❑ Enhanced Combined Ramp & Squeeze (CRS) to reach  $\beta^*$  of 1 m (ATLAS/CMS) at flat top → further squeeze to 40 cm





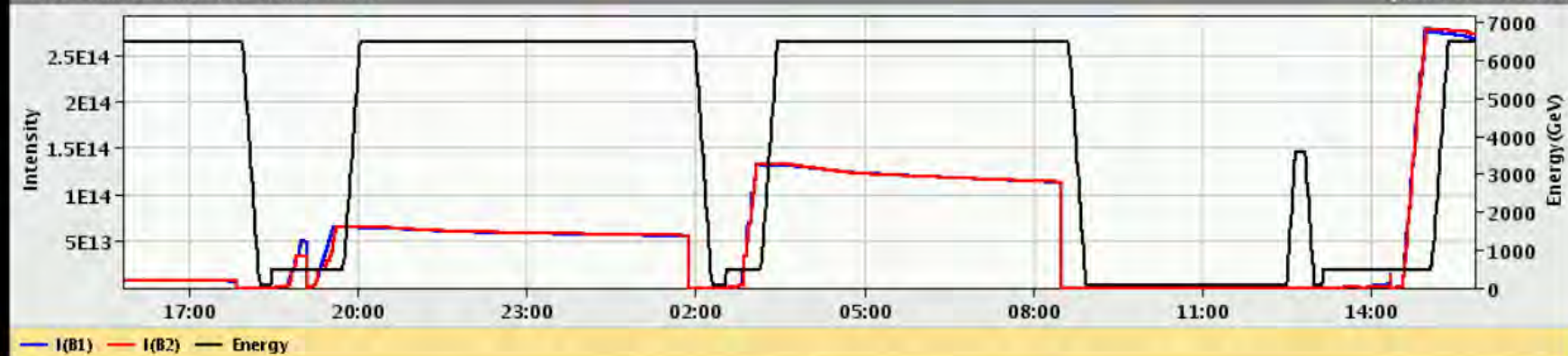
24-Sep-2018 15:49:42 Fill #: 7217 Energy: 6499 GeV I(B1): 2.67e+14 I(B2): 2.72e+14

	ATLAS	ALICE	CMS	LHCb
Experiment Status	PHYSICS	PHYSICS	PHYSICS	PHYSICS
Instantaneous Lumi [(ub.s) <sup>-1</sup> ]	19211.756	3.460	18467.459	262.148
BRAN Luminosity [(ub.s) <sup>-1</sup> ]	22613.0	3.3	15929.7	531.3
Fill Luminosity (nb) <sup>-1</sup>	1361.260	0.447	3292.048	78.109
Beam 1 BKGD	15.513	1.406	8.339	0.003
Beam 2 BKGD	2.267	0.137	7.699	0.030
Beta*	0.30 m	10.00 m	0.30 m	3.00 m
Crossing Angle (urad)	160(V)	200(V)	160(H)	-250(H)

LHCb VELO Position **IN** Gap: 20.0 mm STABLE BEAMS TOTEM: CALIBRATION

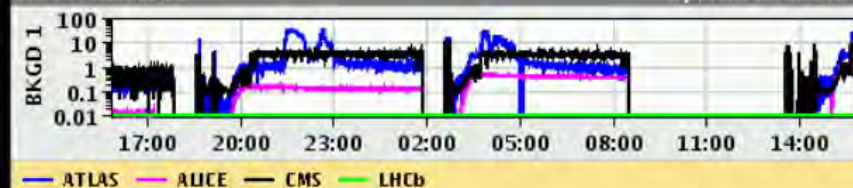
Performance over the last 24 Hrs

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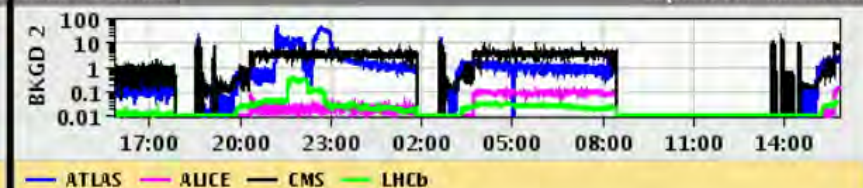
Beam 1 BKGD

Updated: 15:49:41



Beam 2 BKGD

Updated: 15:49:38



00:00

00:00



## Lock Status

IP1:

IDLE

IP2:

RESERVED

IP5:

IDLE

IP8:

RESERVED

## RBAC

RBA: lhcop

Scan Parameters - BP: PHYSICS-6.5TeV-30cm-120s-2018\_V1@120\_[END] @ 6499.2 GeV (PROTON-PROTON)

Nominal Emittances: H=3.5um V=3.5um

Beta\*: IP1=0.3m IP2=10m IP5=0.3m IP8=3m

Scan limits: IP1=3.0 sig. IP2=2.5 sig. IP5=3.0 sig. IP8=2.5 sig.

IP optimization

Emittance Scan

Levelling (exp)

Angle Levelling

Beta\* Adjust

Other Tasks ...

Task Manager

Lumi Display

Optimization (XY) [IP1, IP5] x

Optimization (XY) [IP2, IP8] x

Exp. Separation Levelling IP2 x

Exp. Separation Levelling IP8 x

Emittance scan [IP5] x

## Scan Settings

IP Selection:

☐ IP1☐ IP2☒ IP5☐ IP8

Planes:

☒ CROSSING☒ SEPARATION

CROSSING scan range [sig.]:

SEPARATION scan range [sig.]:

Number of Steps:

Integration Time [s]:

Use experiment VdM publications: ☒

## Scan Status

FINISHED

Overall step 18 of 18

## Run Control

State:

FINISHED

ABORT!

START!

## Scan Progress

Views



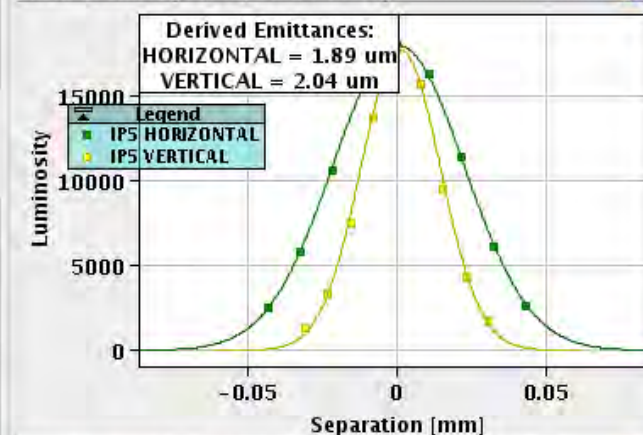
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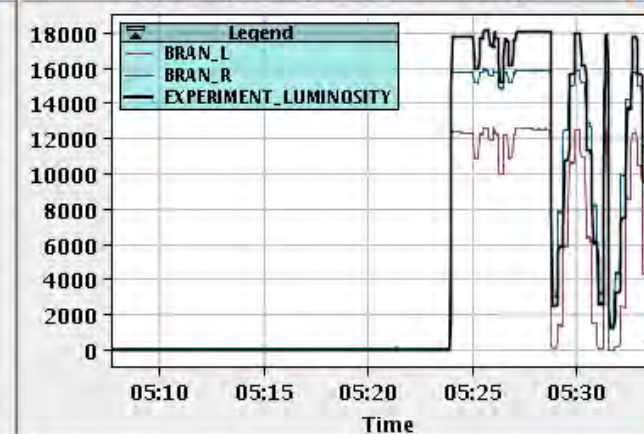
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Scan Results [25/09/18 05:34:01]



Luminosity [Hz/ub]: CMS [25/09/18 05:34:03]



Knobs [mm]: IP5 HORIZONTAL [25/09/18 05:34:03]



Knobs [mm]: IP5 VERTICAL [25/09/18 05:34:01]





# Beam dump system – point 6

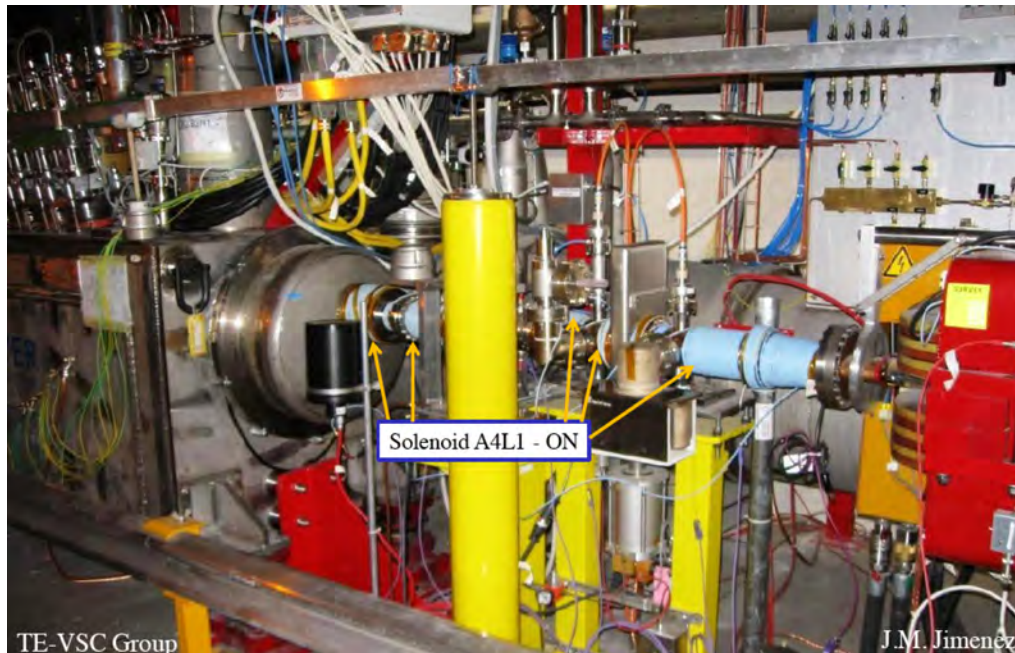


Video 2'10"



# Underpinning all this...

- RF, power converters, collimators, beam dumps, injection, magnets, vacuum, transverse feedback, machine protection
- Magnets, magnet protection & associated systems
- Beam instrumentation and beam based feedbacks
- Controls, databases, high level software
- Cryogenics, survey, technical infrastructure, access, radiation protection

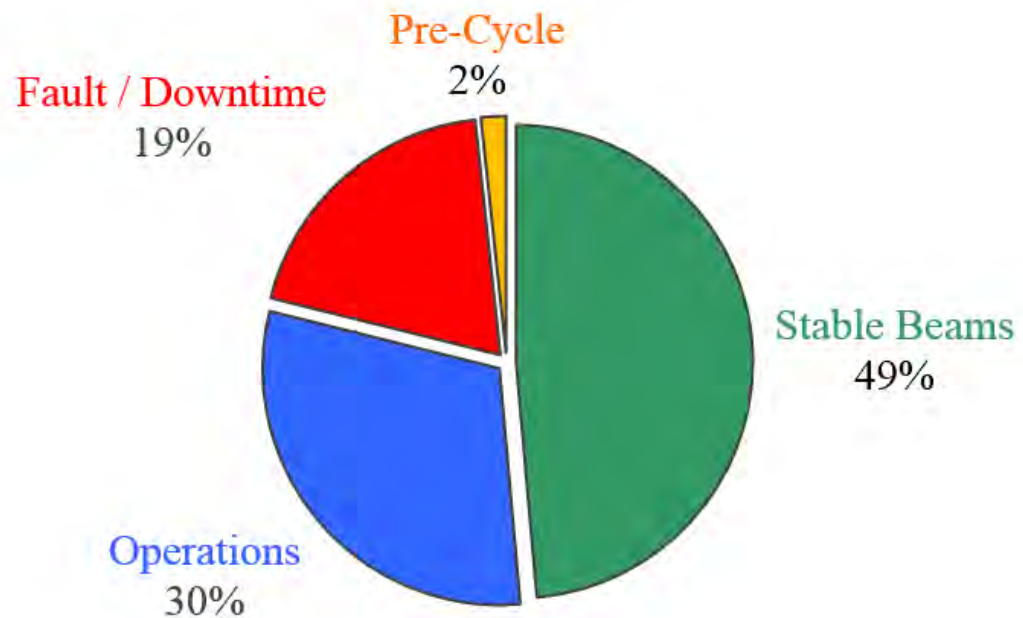


**Impossible to do justice to the commitment and effort that's gone into getting, and keeping, the complex operational**

# Availability

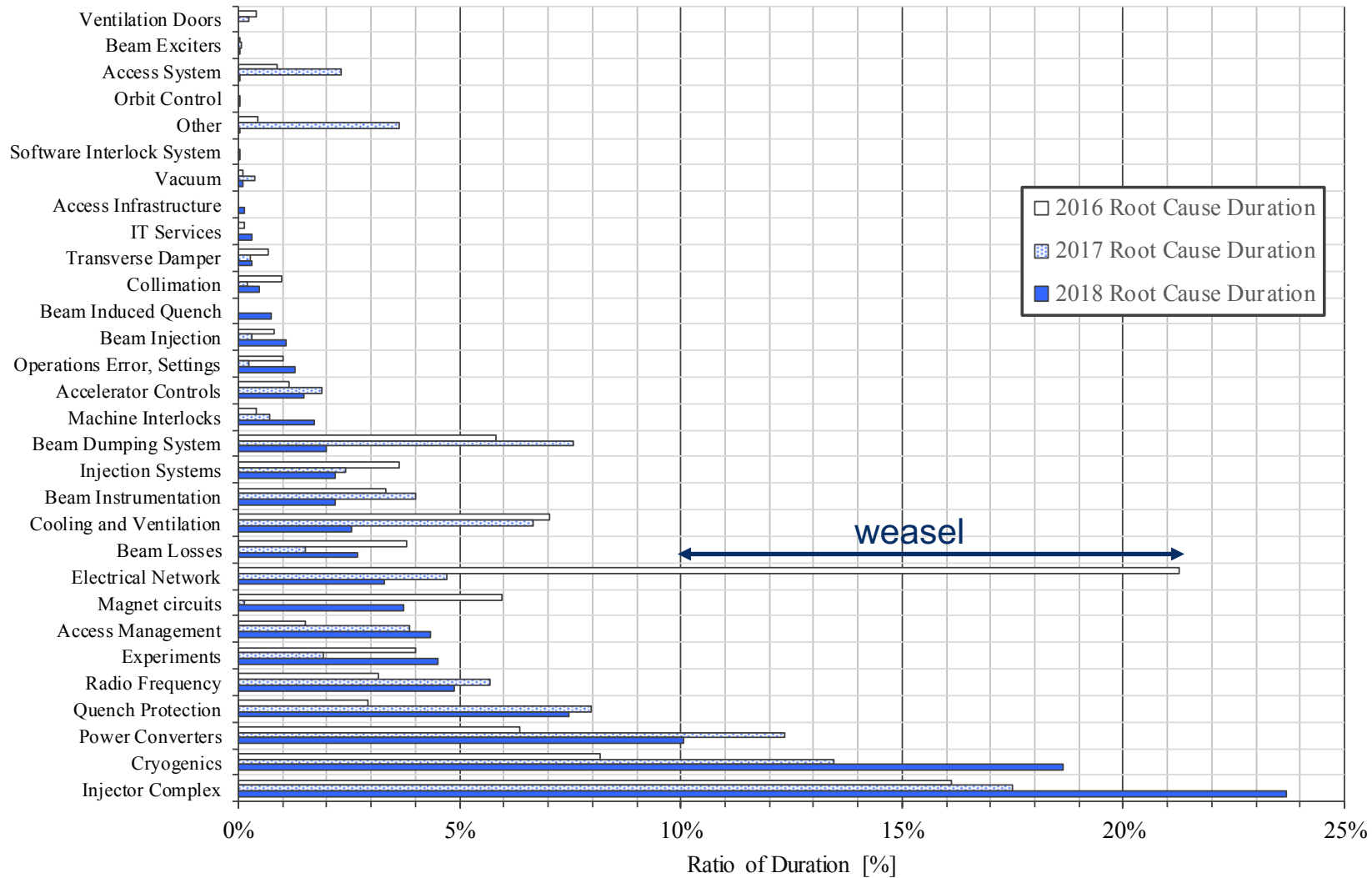
2017: 140% days physics  $\approx$  3362.1 hours

	Duration [h]
Stable Beams	1633.9
Operations	1018.1
Fault/Downtime	652.9
Pre-Cycle	57.2
= 3362.1	



# LHC 2016/17/18 Faults

Clustered Pareto - Normalised Root Cause Duration 2016/17/18 vs System

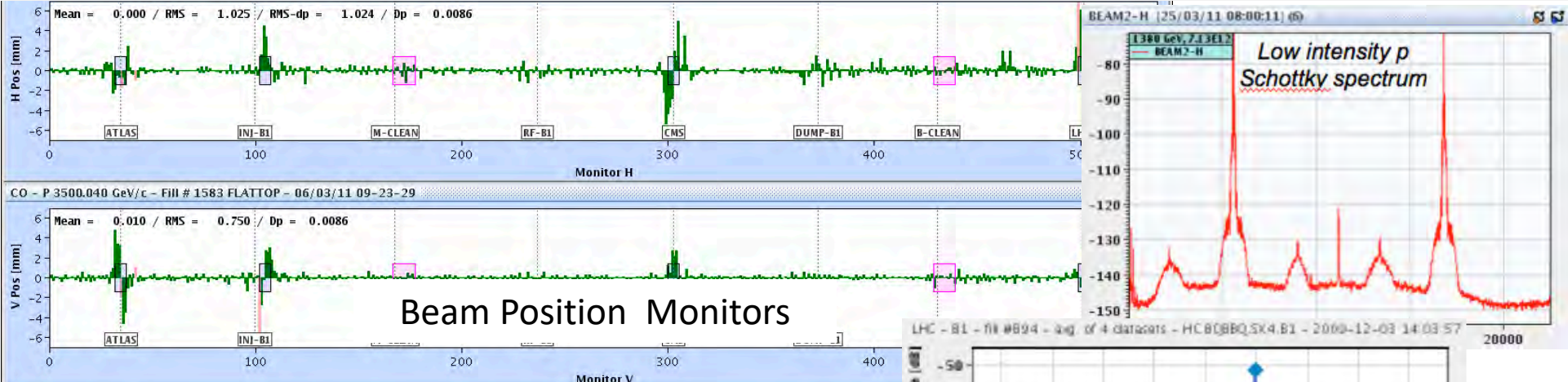




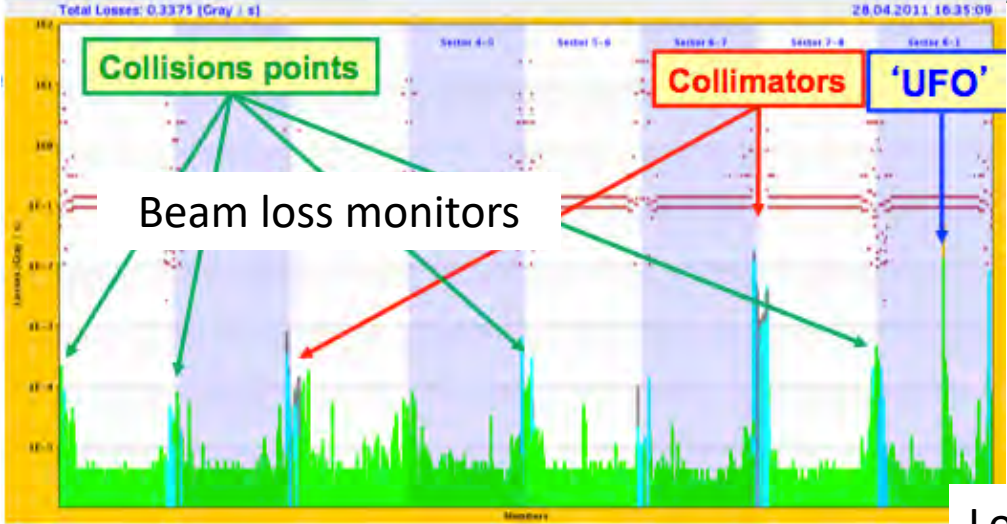
I often say that when you can measure what you are speaking about, and express it in numbers, you know something about it; but when you cannot measure it, when you cannot express it in numbers, your knowledge is of a meagre and unsatisfactory kind; it may be the beginning of knowledge, but you have scarcely, in your thoughts, advanced to the stage of science, whatever the matter may be. **Kelvin**

## **BEAM INSTRUMENTATION**

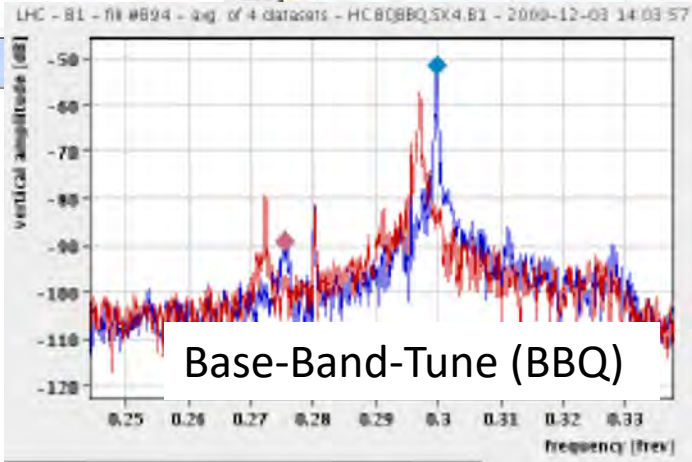
# Beam Instrumentation – the enabler



Beam Position Monitors



Beam loss monitors

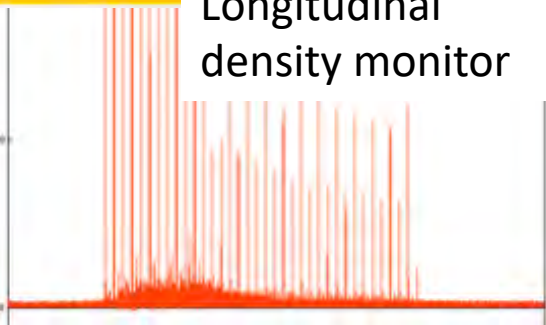


Base-Band-Tune (BBQ)

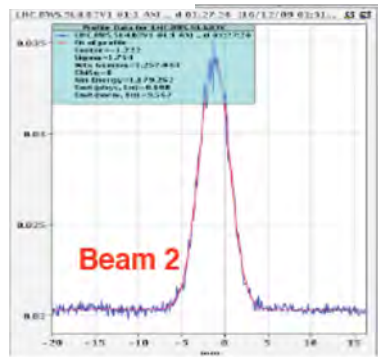
Wire scanner



Synchrotron light

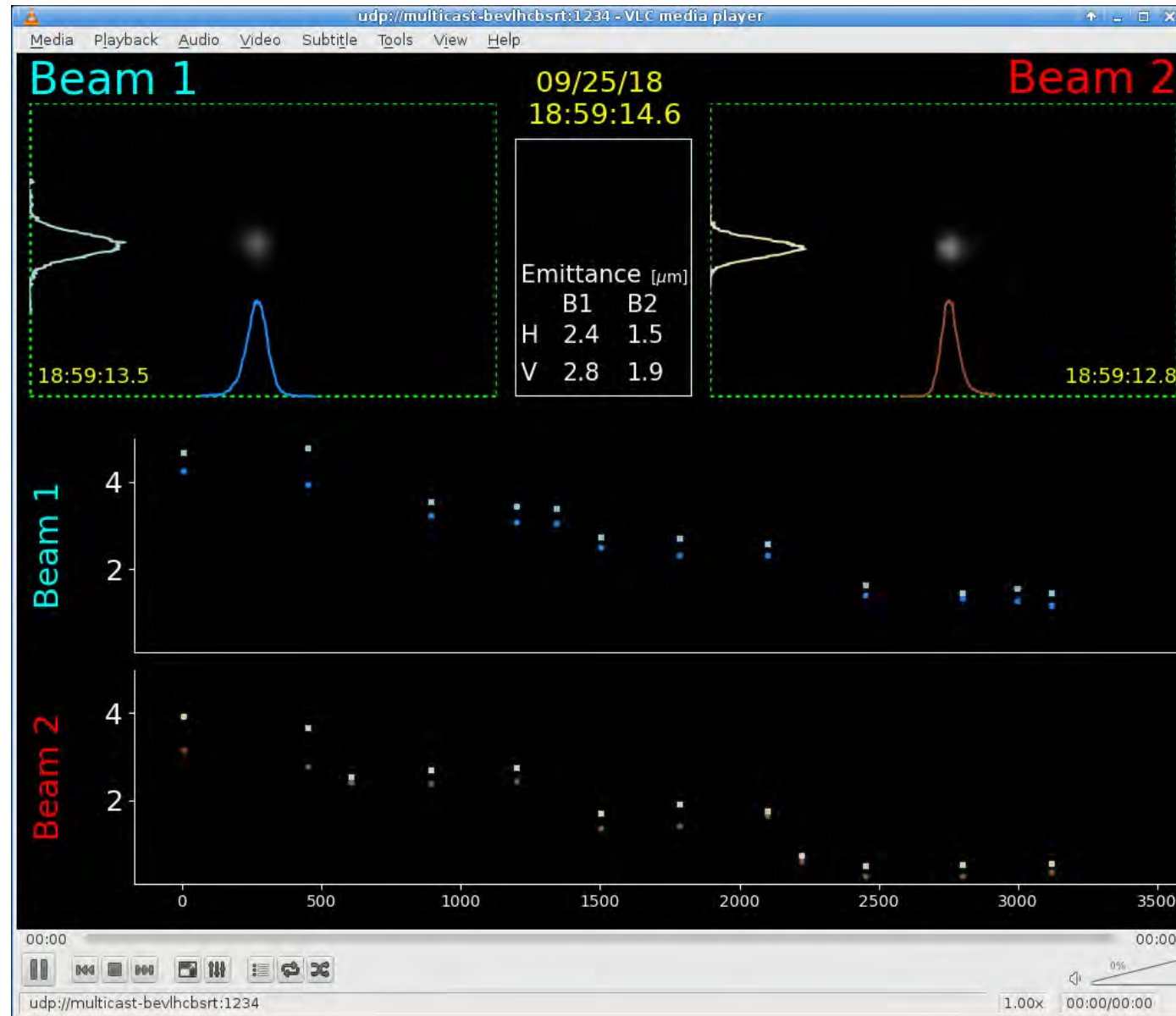


Longitudinal density monitor



Beam 2

# Synchrotron Radiation Telescope





# Beam Loss Monitors



This presentation will summarize the work carried out in 2017 by an extraordinary team. It is a great honor to report the operational highlights of the past year and key results for the successful operation of the LHC.



12/12/2017

Collimation team

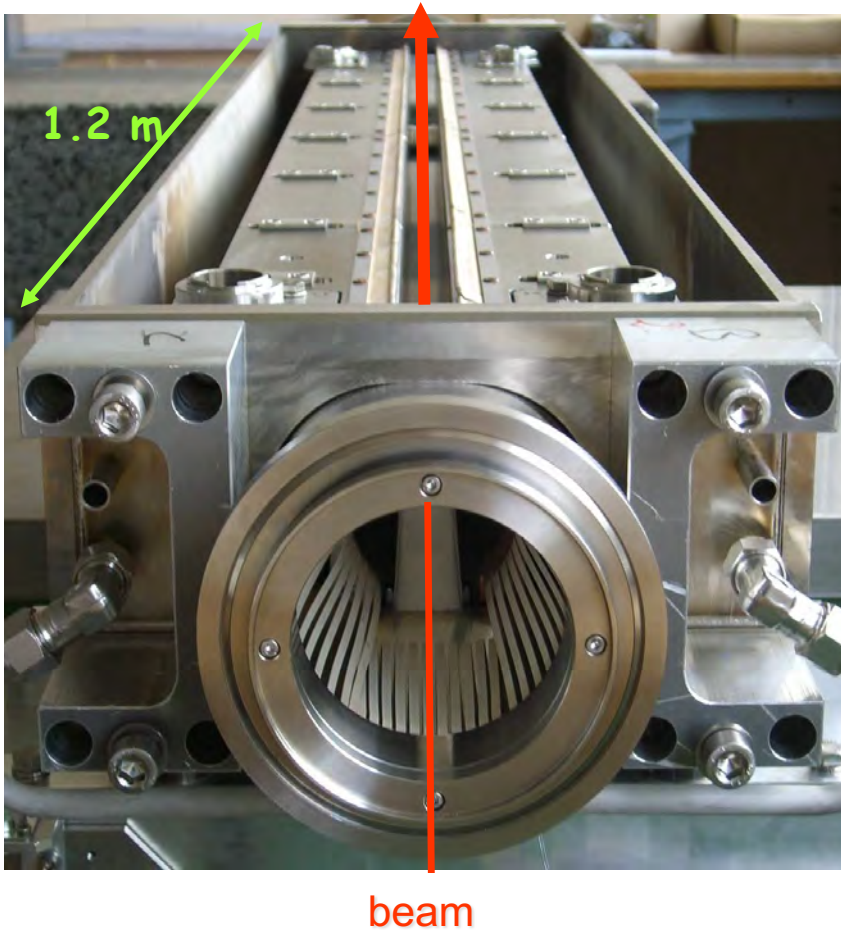
A.Mereghe

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# EXPLOITATION

Following on from Kelvin, it can be measured, analysed, understood, and mastered...

# Collimation



## Two warm cleaning insertions

### IR3: Momentum cleaning

1 primary (H)

4 secondary (H,S)

4 shower abs. (H,V)

### IR7: Betatron cleaning

3 primary (H,V,S)

11 secondary (H,V,S)

5 shower abs. (H,V)

**Local IP cleaning:** 8 tertiary coll.

**Total = 108 collimators**

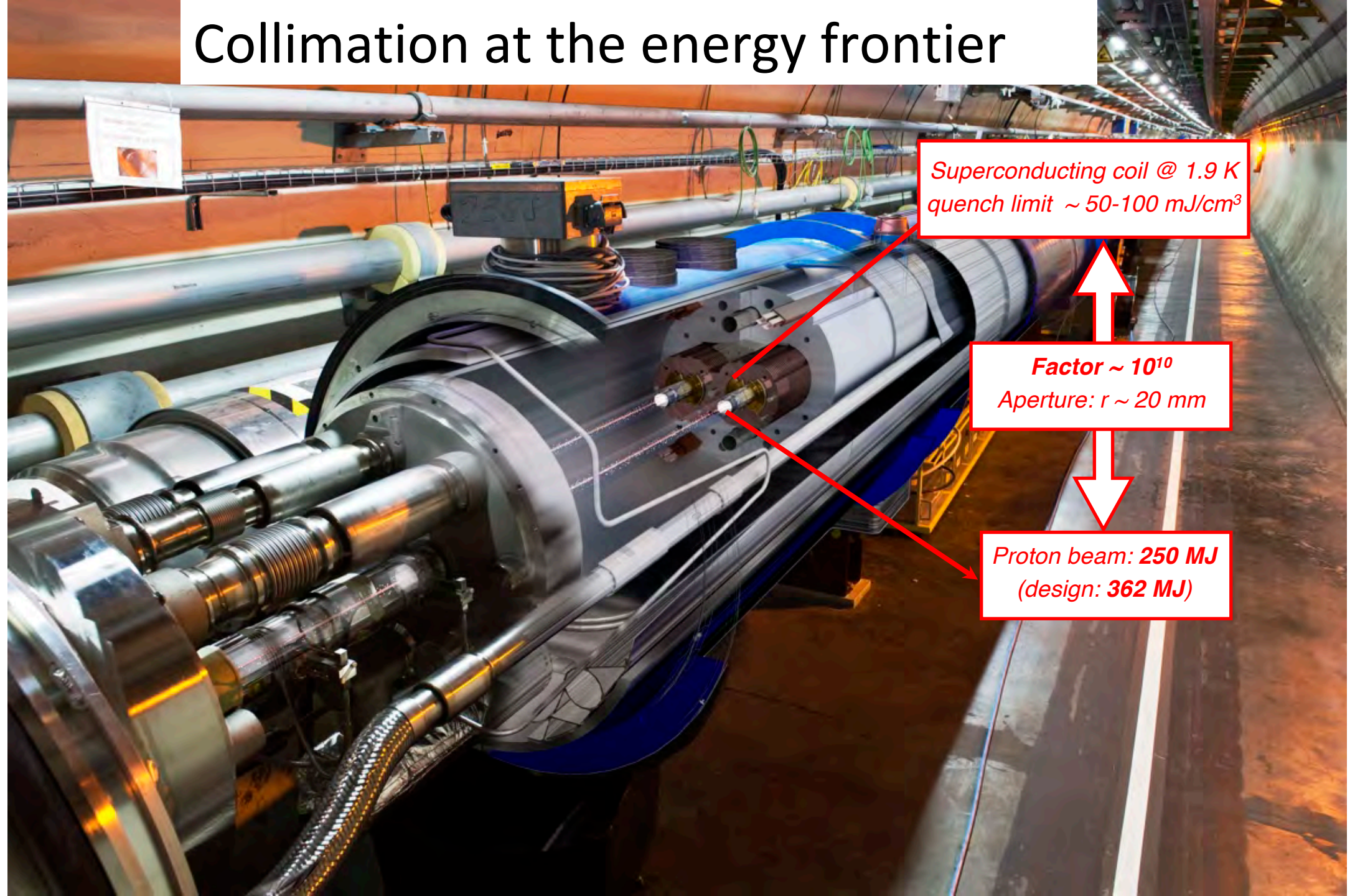
About 500 degrees of freedom.







# Collimation at the energy frontier

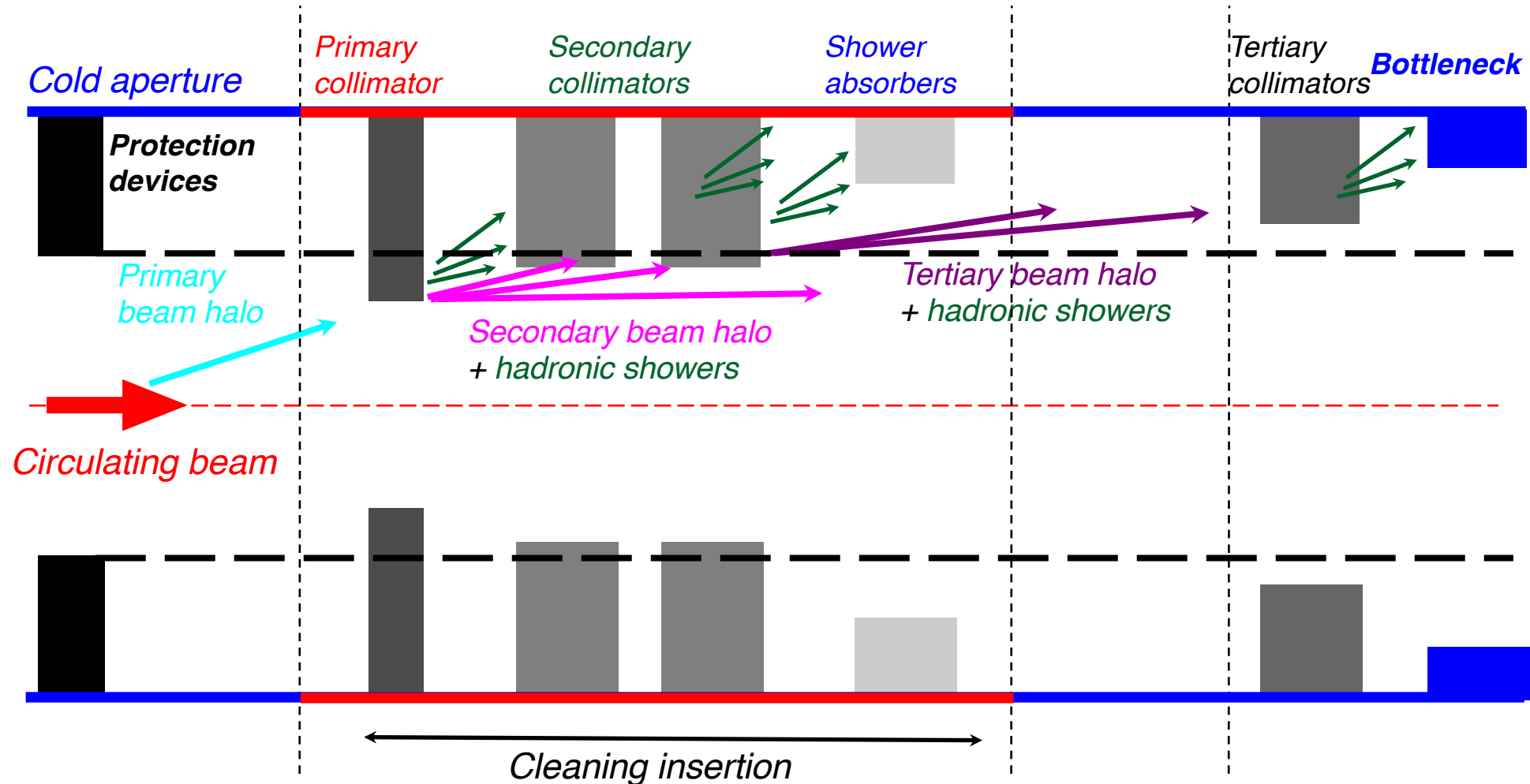


*Superconducting coil @ 1.9 K  
quench limit  $\sim 50\text{-}100\text{ mJ/cm}^3$*

***Factor  $\sim 10^{10}$**   
Aperture:  $r \sim 20\text{ mm}$*

*Proton beam: **250 MJ**  
(design: **362 MJ**)*

# Multi-stage collimation at the LHC



Including protection devices, a **5-stage cleaning** is used at the LHC !

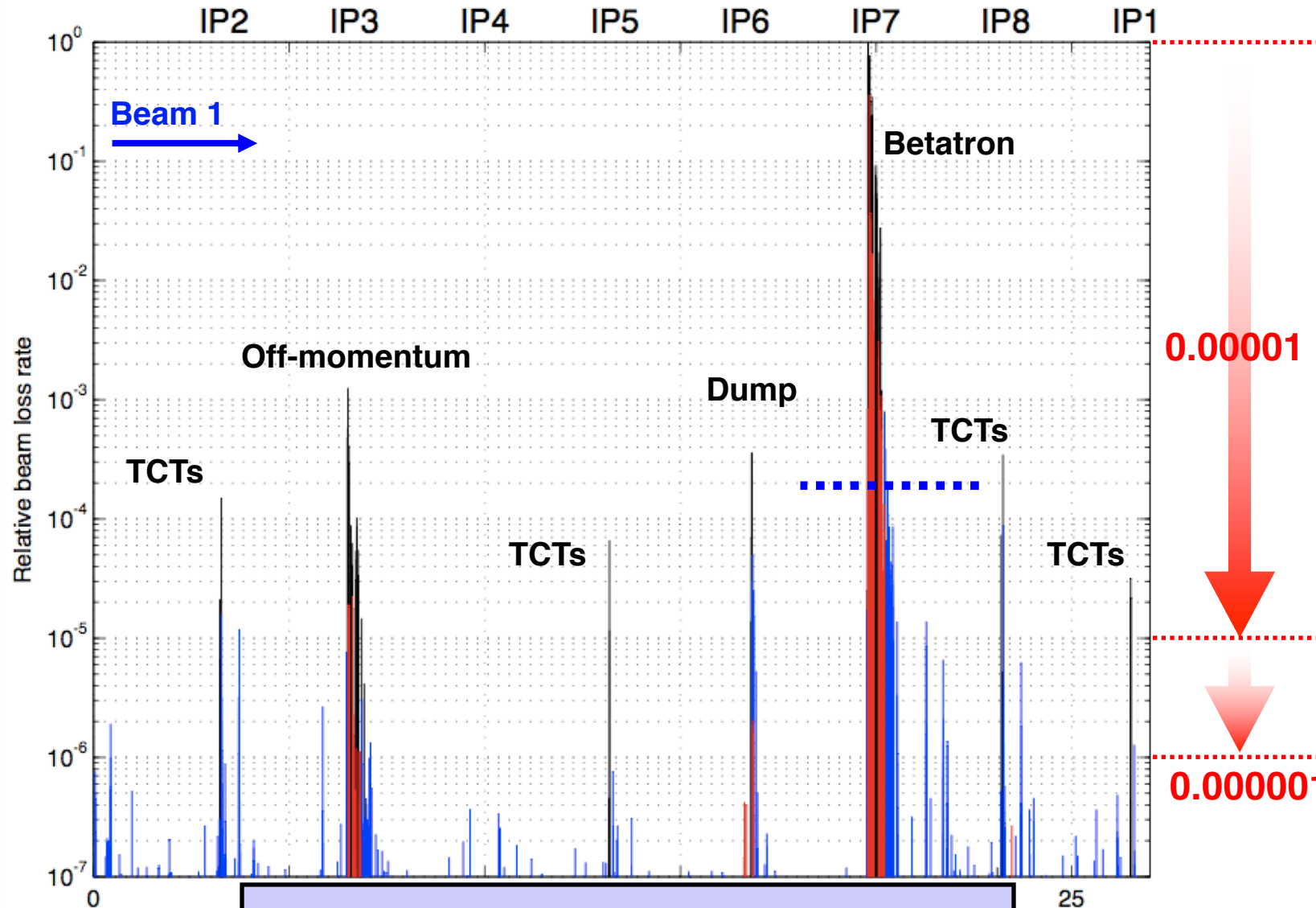
The system performance relies on achieving the well-defined **hierarchy** between different **collimator families** and **machine aperture**.



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# Collimation

Generate higher loss rates: excite beam with transverse dampers



Routine collimation of 140 MJ beams without a single quench from stored beam

Stefano Redaelli



Commissioning was tough this year...



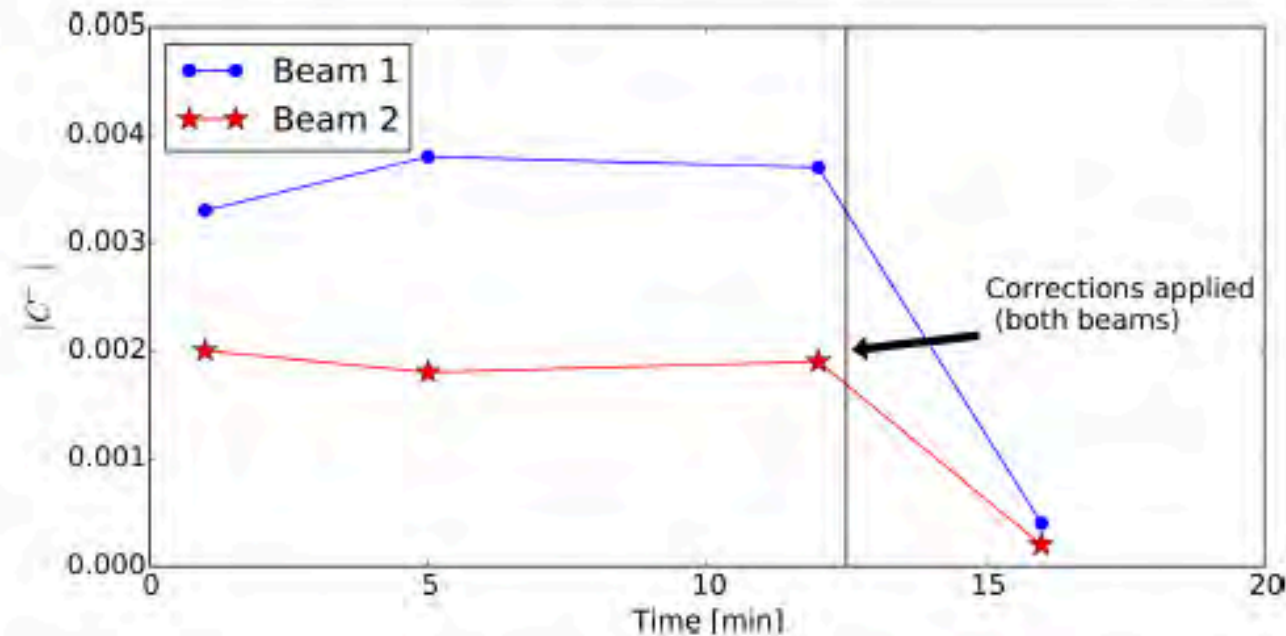
Optics Measurement and Correction (OMC) owls



ADT can now drive forced oscillations of individual bunches

→ **ADT-AC dipole!**

- Used in regular operation → overcome limit of regular AC-dipole
- Obtain spectral data all around ring → overcome limit of BBQ
- Automated OMC methods used to provide online correction for  $\Re$  and  $\Im$  parts of coupling



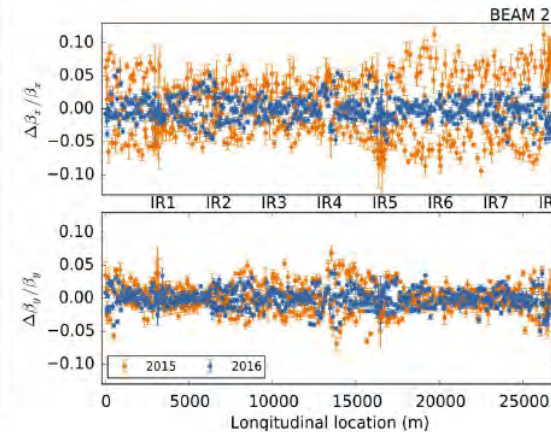
# Exquisite knowledge of the machine++



## Final Corrections



IP	$\beta_{IP}$ [m]	$\beta_{IP\ err}$ [m]	Waist [m]	waist err [m]
ip1b1.X	0.398	0.007	0.047	0.009
ip1b1.Y	0.401	0.002	-0.009	0.009
ip1b2.X	0.398	0.001	0.009	0.011
ip1b2.Y	0.402	0.001	0.072	0.010
ip5b1.X	0.399	0.003	-0.009	0.008
ip5b1.Y	0.400	0.001	-0.028	0.010
ip5b2.X	0.395	0.003	0.070	0.013
ip5b2.Y	0.396	0.004	-0.025	0.011
Average	0.403	0.003	0.016	0.010
RMS $\beta$ - beat in IP %	<b>1%</b>			



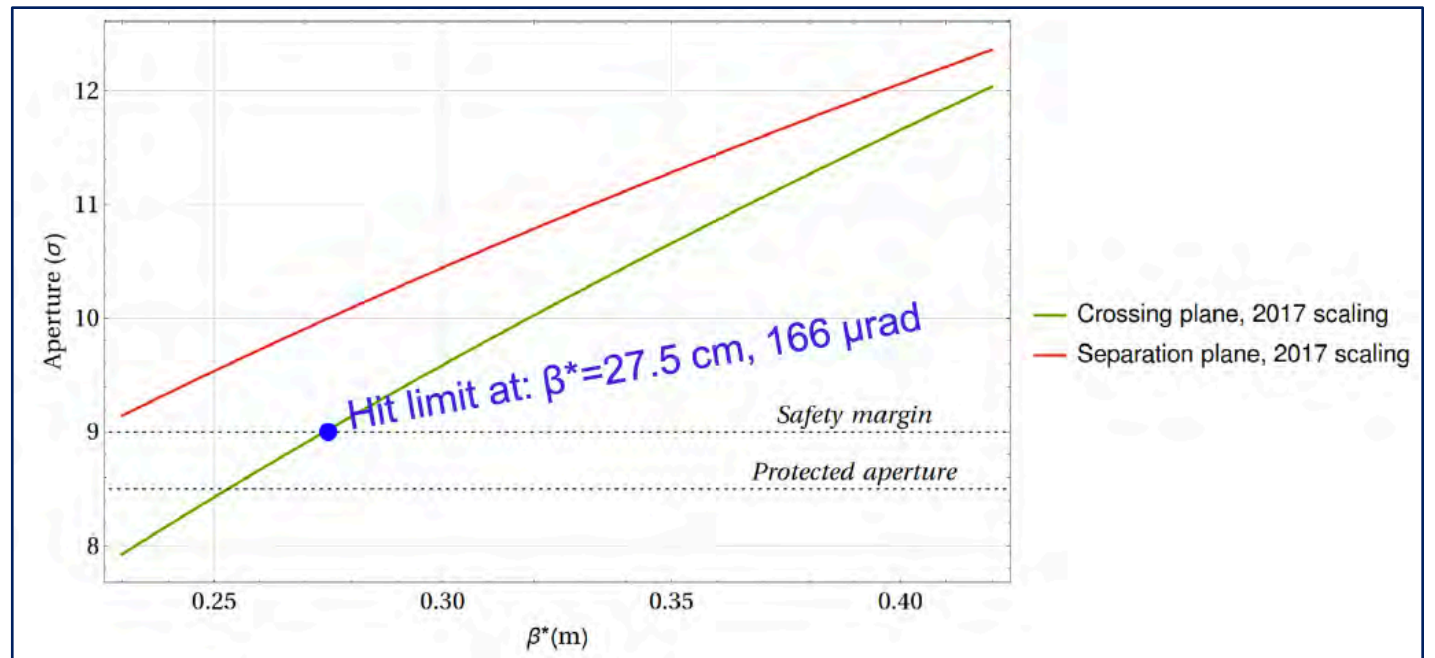
Lowest  $\beta$ -beat in the LHC so far!

- The new approach using k-mod as input for corrections resulted in:
  - **Smallest  $\beta$ -beat ever achieved in LHC**
  - **1% RMS  $\beta$ -beat at the IP1 and IP5 (without crossing angles)**
- Coupling corrected to  $\approx 2 \cdot 10^{-4}$  in MD

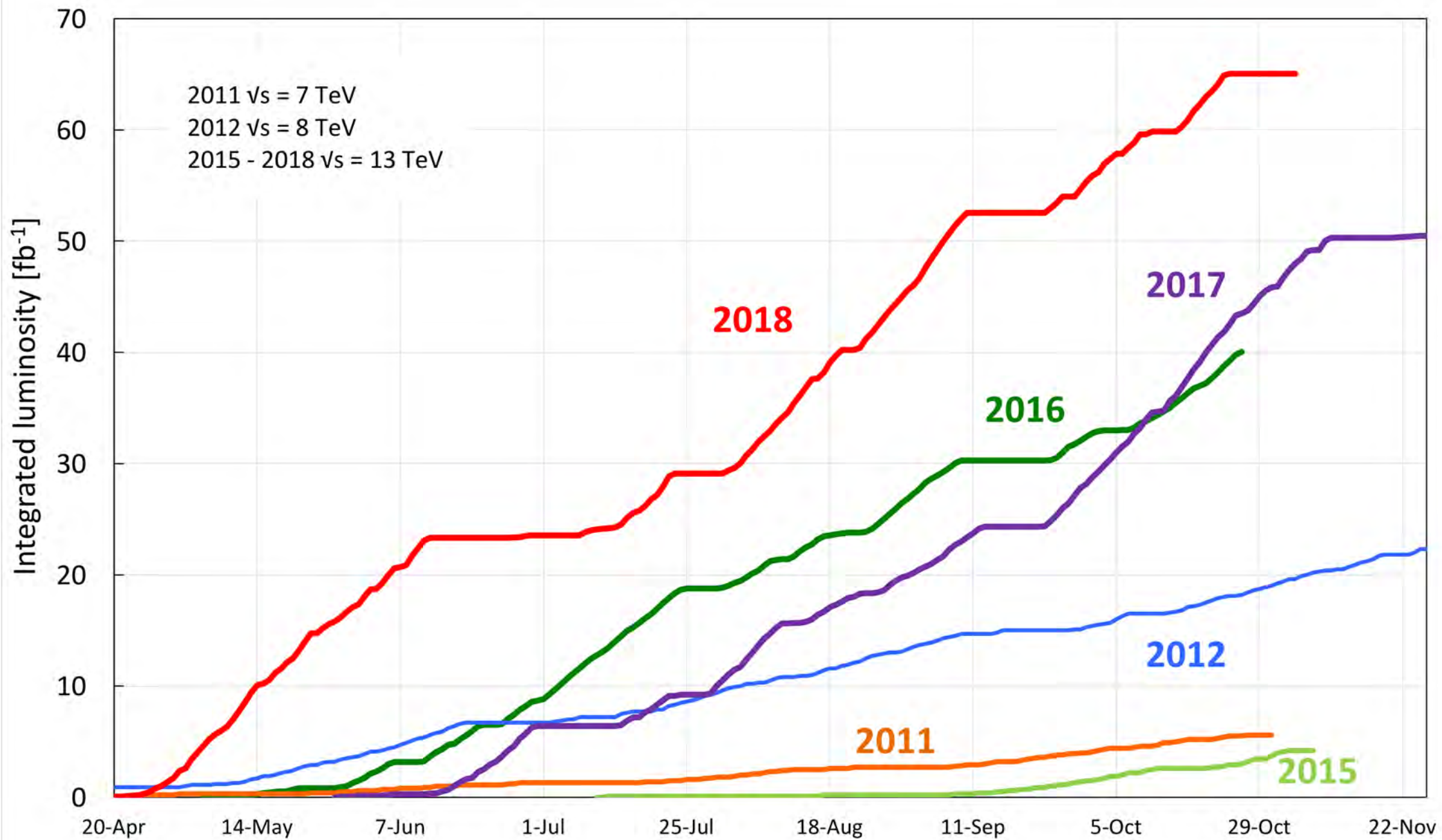
# Beta\* Use Case

- Characterization of collimation system hierarchy, cleaning efficiency, validation via loss maps etc.
- Semi-automatic collimator set-up (using ML techniques)
- Accurate aperture measurements
- Optics commissioning
  - beating measurement and correction++

Opened the way to full and safe exploitation of the machine...







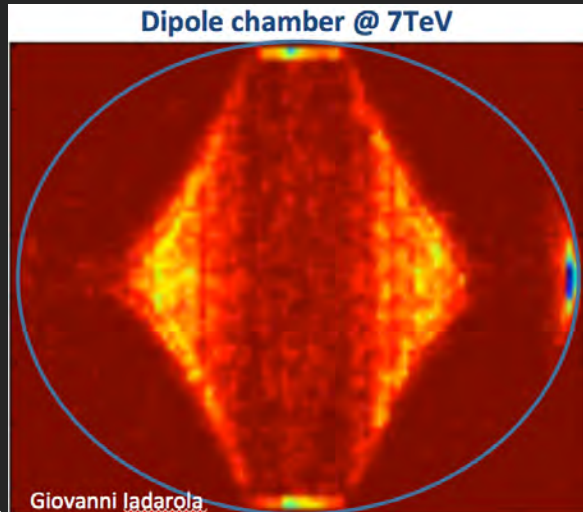
It's not what happens – it how you react.

**STUFF HAPPENS**

# 2015: re-commissioning after LS1

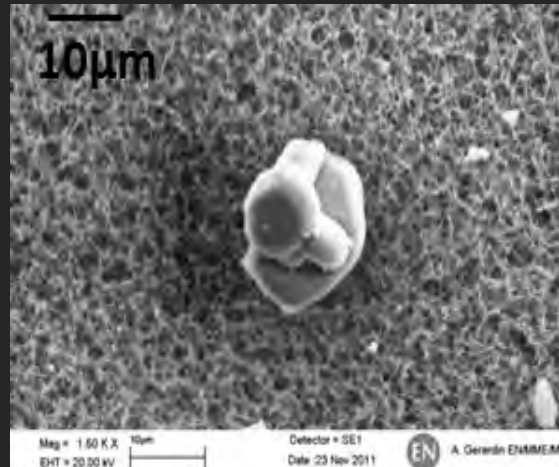
## Electron cloud

- Anticipated
- Significant head load to cryogenics
- Very slow reduction despite significant dose



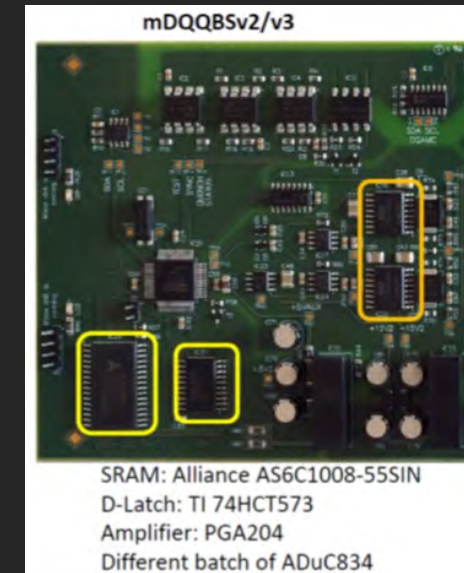
## UFOs

- 8 UFO dumps within 2 weeks (Sep 20 to Oct 5)
- Conditioning observed



## Radiation to electronics

- Mitigation measures (shielding, relocation...)
- Non-rad hard components used in LS1 upgrade





# Unidentified lying objects



E-cloud...

1. **Preparation:** tools, monitoring, simulations, understanding, beams (vacuum, cryogenics, RF, injectors, ABP, OP)
2. **Scrubbing** - execution
3. **Exploitation** given the limits (heat-load, instabilities...)

# Problems, problems, problems...

## WEASELS



## PS MAIN POWER SUPPLY



## SPS BEAM DUMP

- Limited to 96 bunches per injection
- 2220 bunches per beam cf. 2750

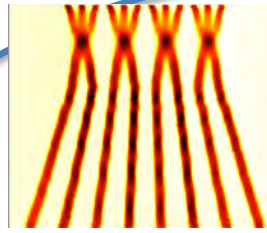


Heaven and high water is moved in response

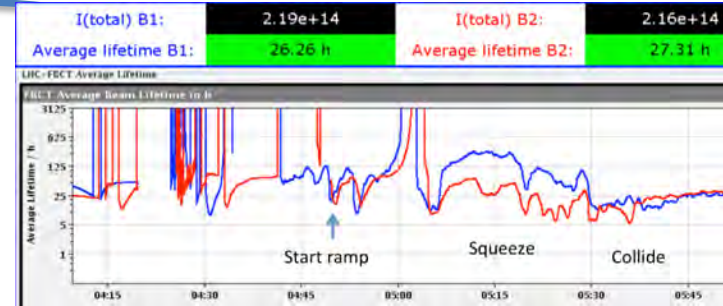




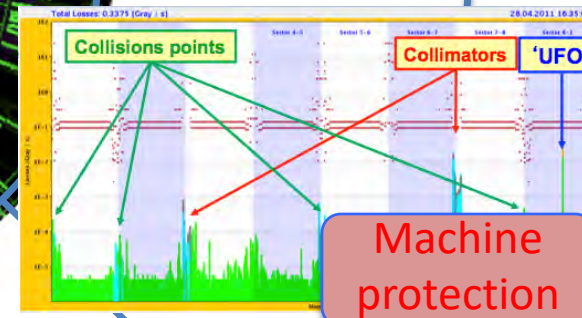
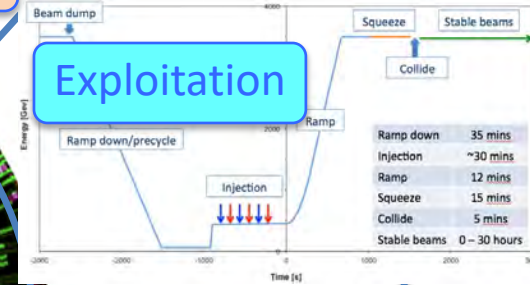
Teamwork



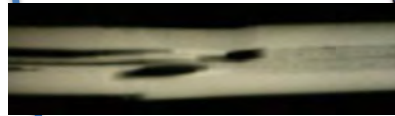
Beam from injectors



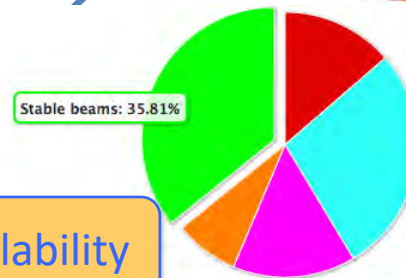
Beam in LHC



Machine protection



Mitigation



Availability

System performance

RF, power converters, collimators, beam dumps, injection, magnets, vacuum, transverse feedback, machine protection, magnets, magnet protection, beam instrumentation, beam based feedbacks, controls, databases, high level software, cryogenics, survey, technical infrastructure, access, radiation protection

LHC  
Eightfold  
Path

The capital investment in a collider surely merits effective exploitation





First beam at 6.5 TeV - 1 o'clock in the morning





First Stable Beams at 6.5 TeV – office hours