

**miscellaneous slides, status and
comments on:**

LHC (Beam 2) Commissioning

- BPM, Q, Q'

Instrumentation and Diagnostics -

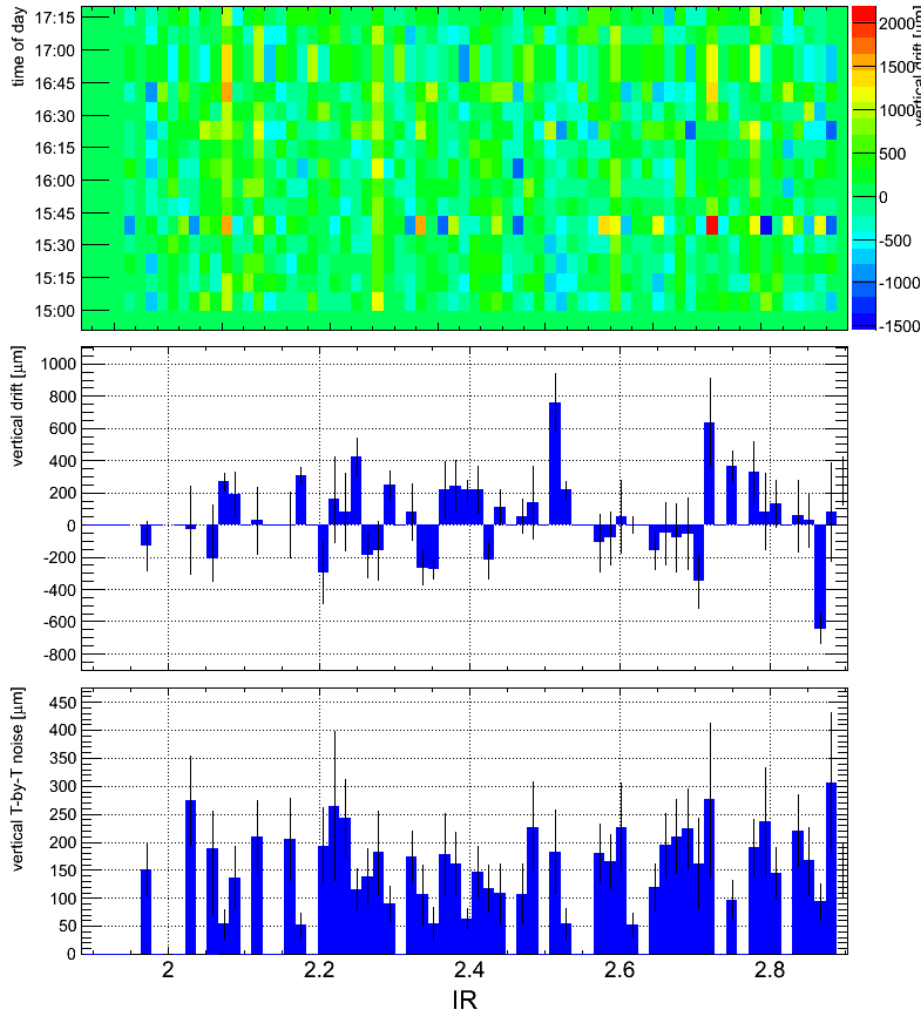
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LHC Orbit Feedback Controller & Service Unit

- Tested data concentration of 120 front-end systems, mapping, etc....
 - Worst case latencies shown to be less than 20 ms (small cross-talk with LSA's CMW-get call)
- Tested first-order BPM error/fault detection scheme
- Now default data source for YASP (orbit, CODs, statuses) and 100k turn GUI (statuses)
- Example: B2 sector test – beam as seen/published by the OFC



- LHC Beam 1 injection test on 2008-08-10, vertical plane (hor. similar):



No obvious time structure from one injection to the next
→ dominated by the 'white noise' floor of the BPM acquisition electronic

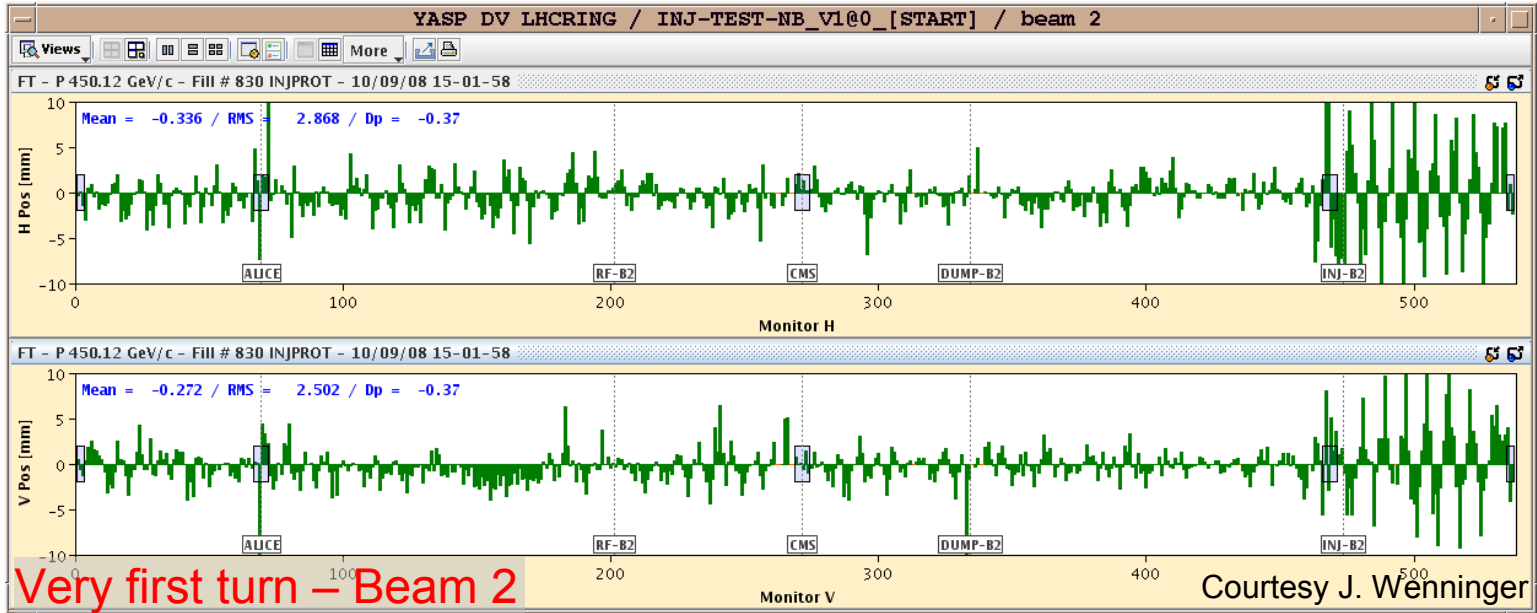
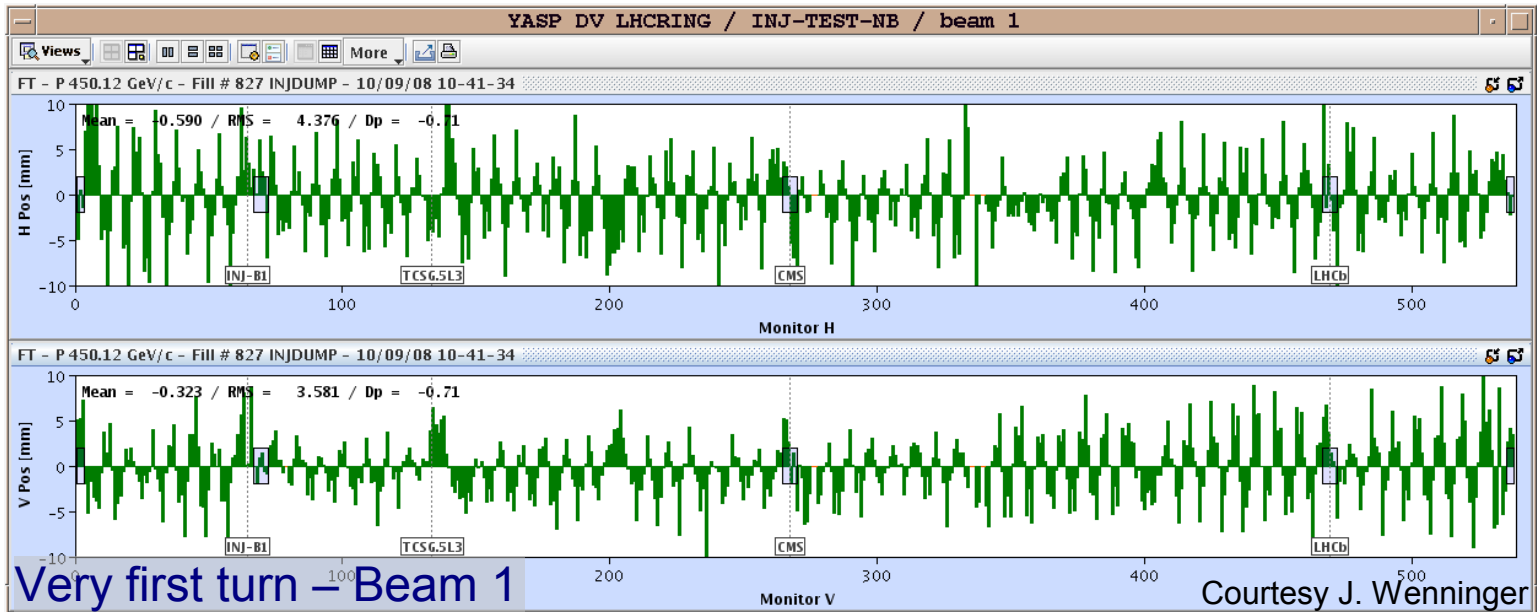
Residual min/max trajectory drift is compatible with BPM noise estimate (see below).

r.m.s. turn-by-turn noise: $\approx 200 \mu\text{m}$
 • as expected from lab and electronic design for the given intensity ($2 \cdot 10^9$ protons/bunch)

- Found 2 (B1)/ 12(B2) polarity/mapping errors – fixed immediately once spotted
 - no additional erroneous BPMs found with circulating beam (injection test paid off)

LHC Beam Position Monitor – LHC Day 1

The LHC BPM System at It's Best I/II

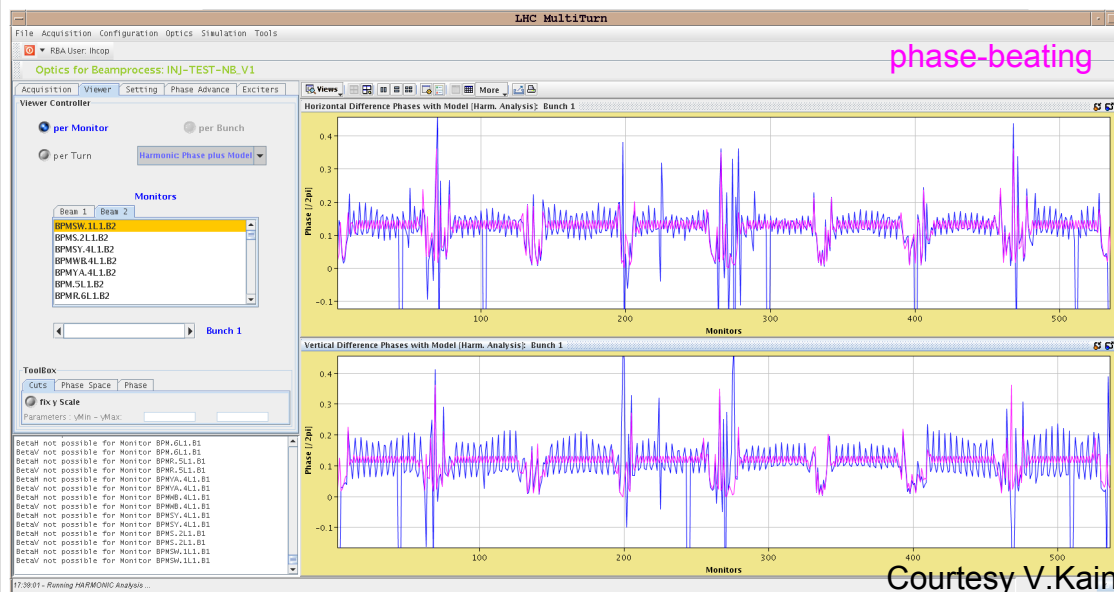




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The LHC BPM System at It's Best III/II

Could reconstruct LHC B1 optic on the few 10% level using only 50 turns

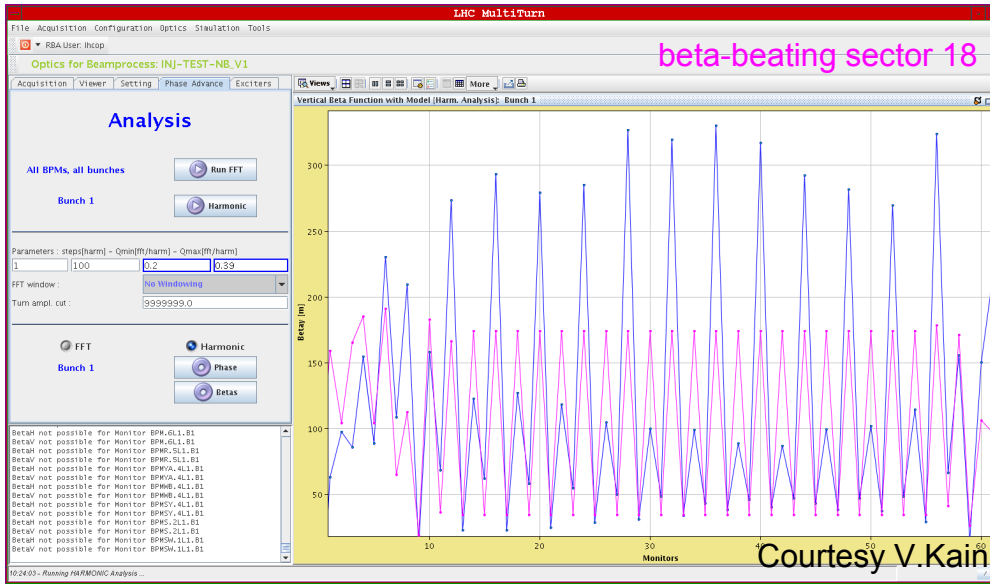


Nearly all BPM triggered and gave useful readings

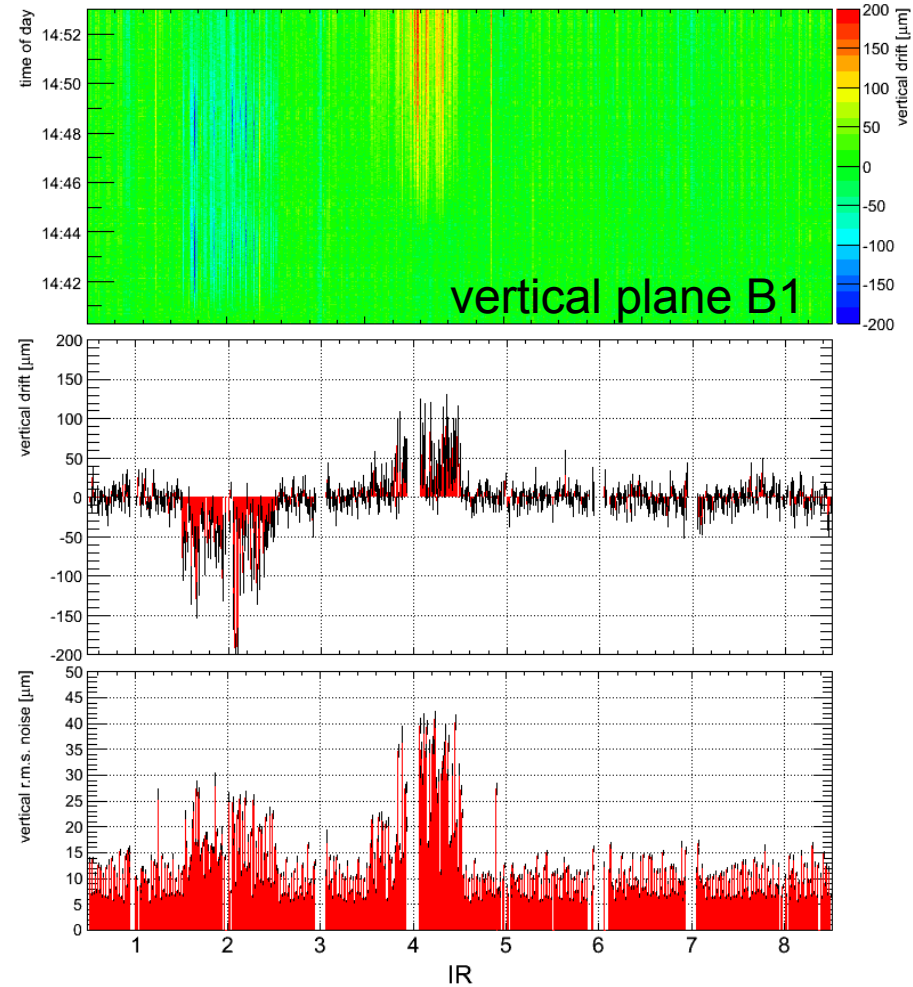
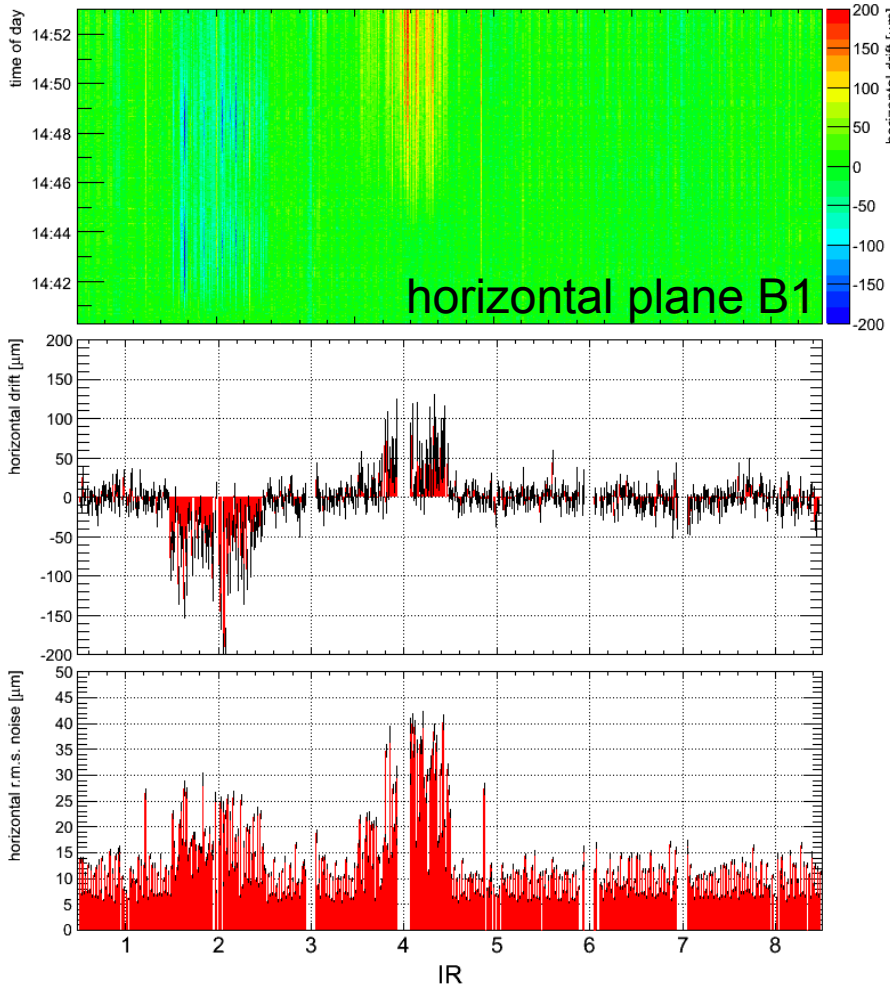
- LSA concentrator hick-ups
→ relying on FIFO read-out using YASP

Vertical beta-beat (blue) vs. model (pink)

- Surprisingly large: 100%
- further analysis/correction proposal pending (R. Tomas)



- Residual injection orbit stability (orbit feedback/radial loop off)

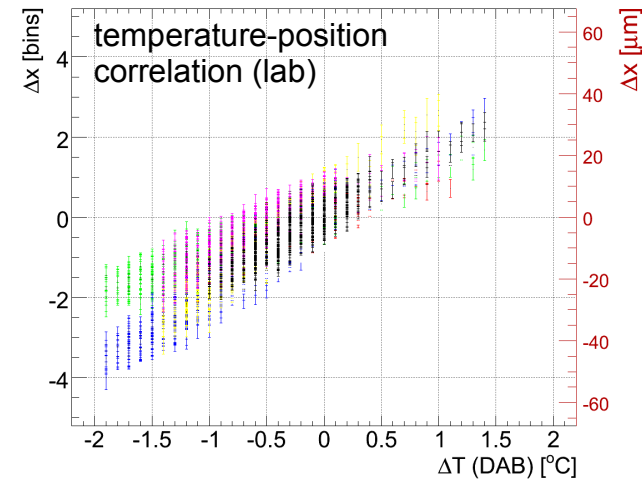
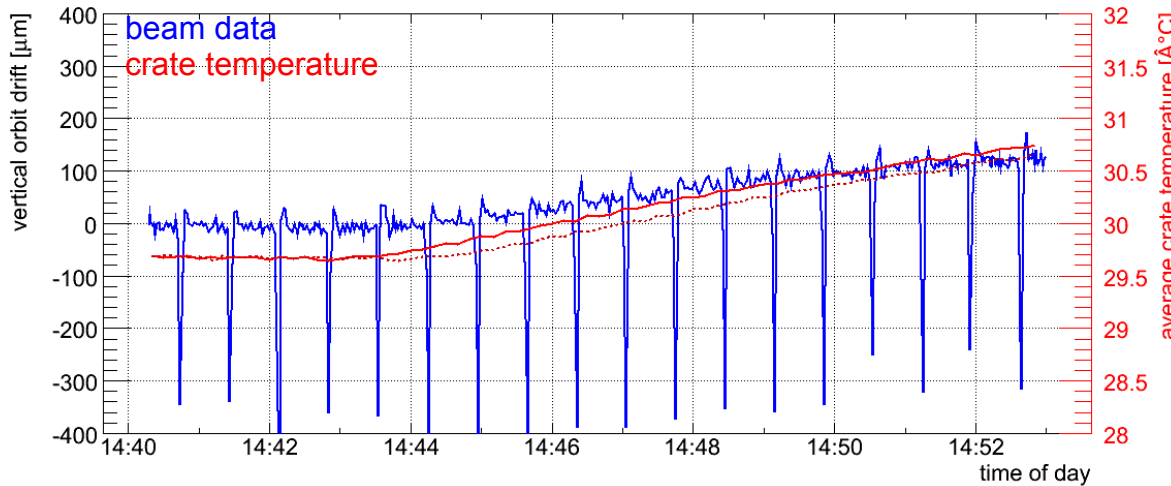


- Effective LHC B2 orbit stability about 5 μm \rightarrow understood (next slide)
- Small oscillations/drifts in point 2 and 4 \rightarrow also understood (next slide)

LHC Beam Position Monitor – Orbit Stability B2 – LHC Day 1

Residual Noise Sources

- Effective LHC B2 orbit stability about 6 μm , two known sources:
 1. turn-by-turn noise prediction \rightarrow orbit r.m.s.: $\approx 6 \mu\text{m}$ (150-200 μm , 1024 turns average)
 - However: should be the same for all arc BPMs (same aperture)
 2. Residual noise of the COD power supplies, expectation: 5-10 μm orbit r.m.s.
- Small drifts in point 2 and 4 \rightarrow thermal drifts (switched off SX4 climatisation)
 - Known from earlier lab measurements
 - Fix: 'somebody' gets a scarf for Christmas & local crate temperature control



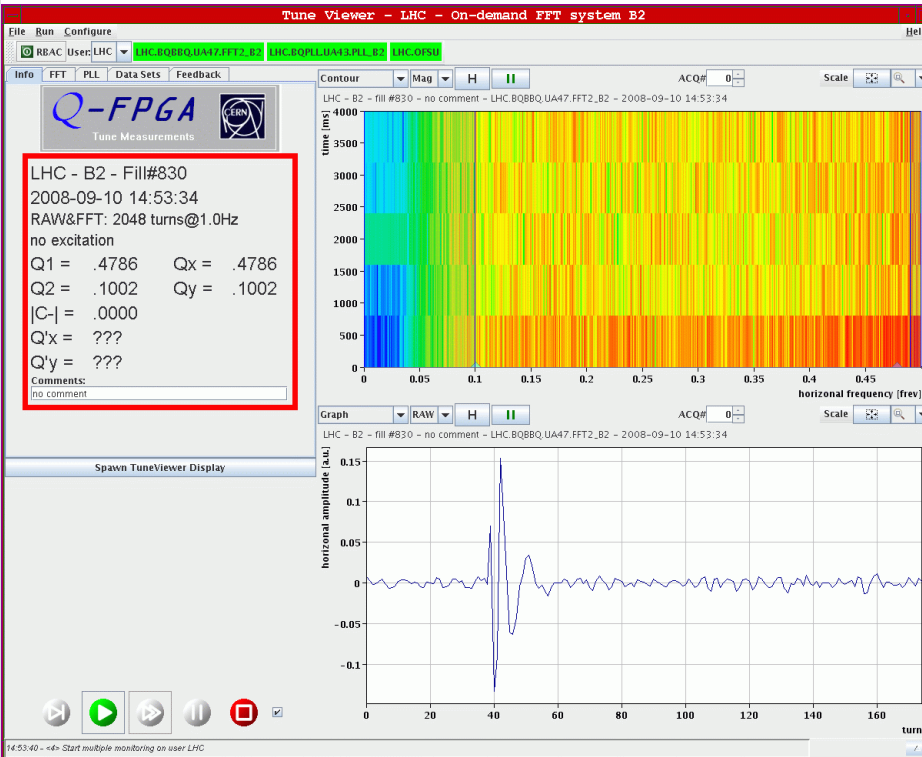
- Source of the transient orbit spikes is till date unknown
 - lasts up to two seconds (\rightarrow too fast for an BPM electronics related spike)
 - a forgotten injection/tune/...? kicker magnet?

- Three independent BBQ Tune/Coupling diagnostic chains available per beam:
 - PLL based acquisition - **commissioning pending!**
 - one measurement at high/reduced acquisition frequency, targets:
 - 100 Hz for feedbacks (driven by need to reduce feedback latencies)
 - 1 Hz for general purpose logging
 - expert: high frequency data that is event synchronised and buffered (post-mortem, PLL setup), typical length: 5 min \leftrightarrow < 1 MB of data
 - main use: monitoring/logging, feedbacks, fill-to-fill studies, ...
 - FFT based acquisition – 'periodic' (FFT1) – **B2 fully commissioned**
 - one measurement every 1 second starting from first-injection
 - intended use: monitoring/logging, (feedbacks), fill-to-fill studies, ...
 - FFT based acquisition – 'on demand' (FFT2) – **B2 fully commissioned**
 - n-measurements synchronised to an external event (BPM, BQ, ...)
 - intended use: expert diagnostics, detailed studies, ...

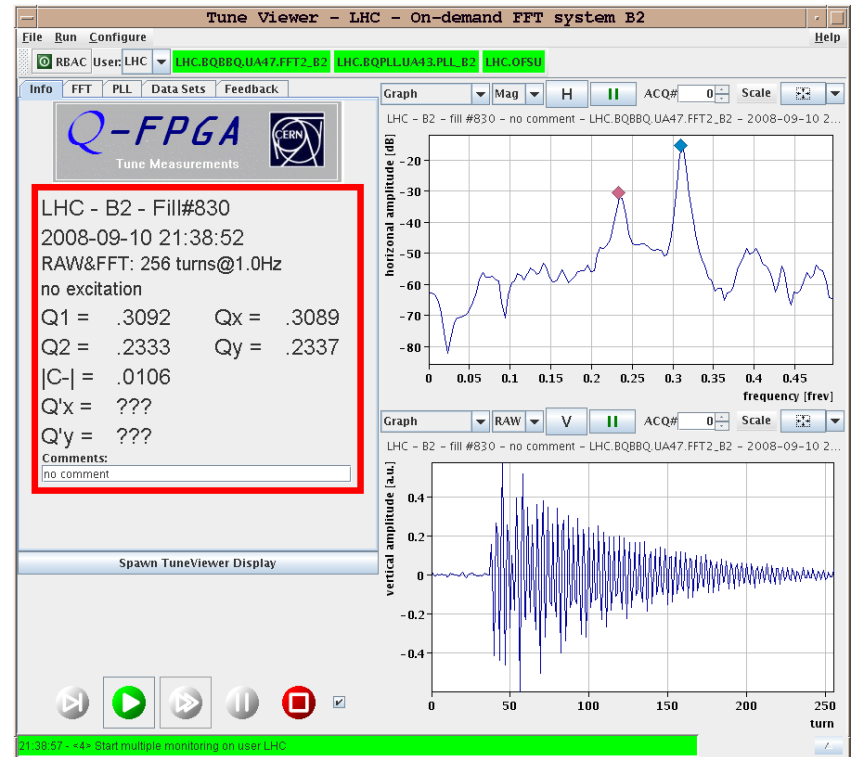
Present Commissioning State

- BBQ systems for B2 including excitation and correction fully commissioned!
 - One important stepping stone in getting the beams circulating

Very first turn B2 (B1 similar)!



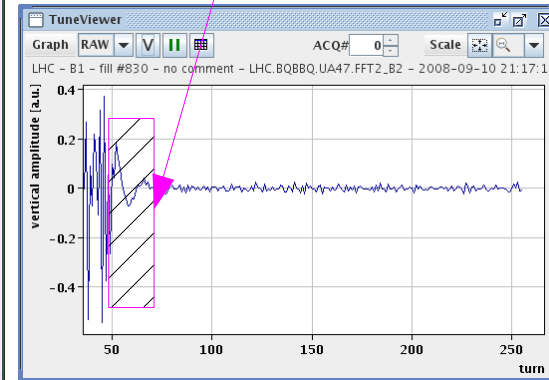
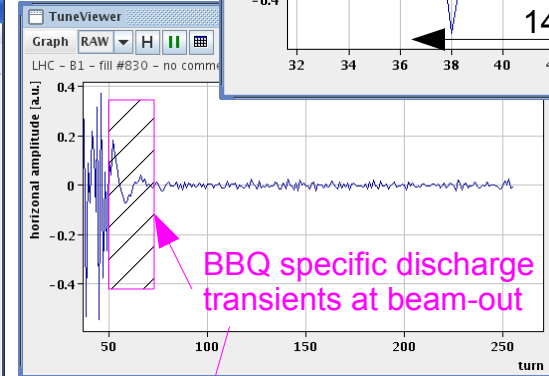
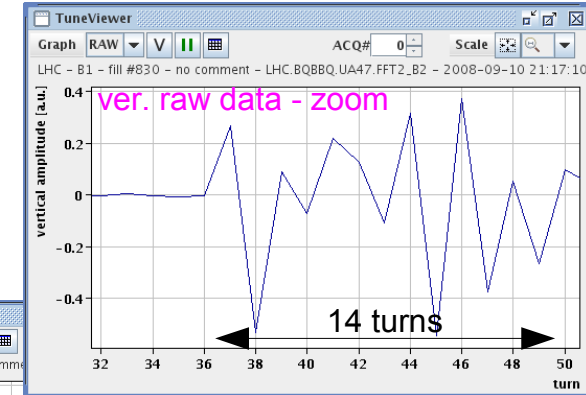
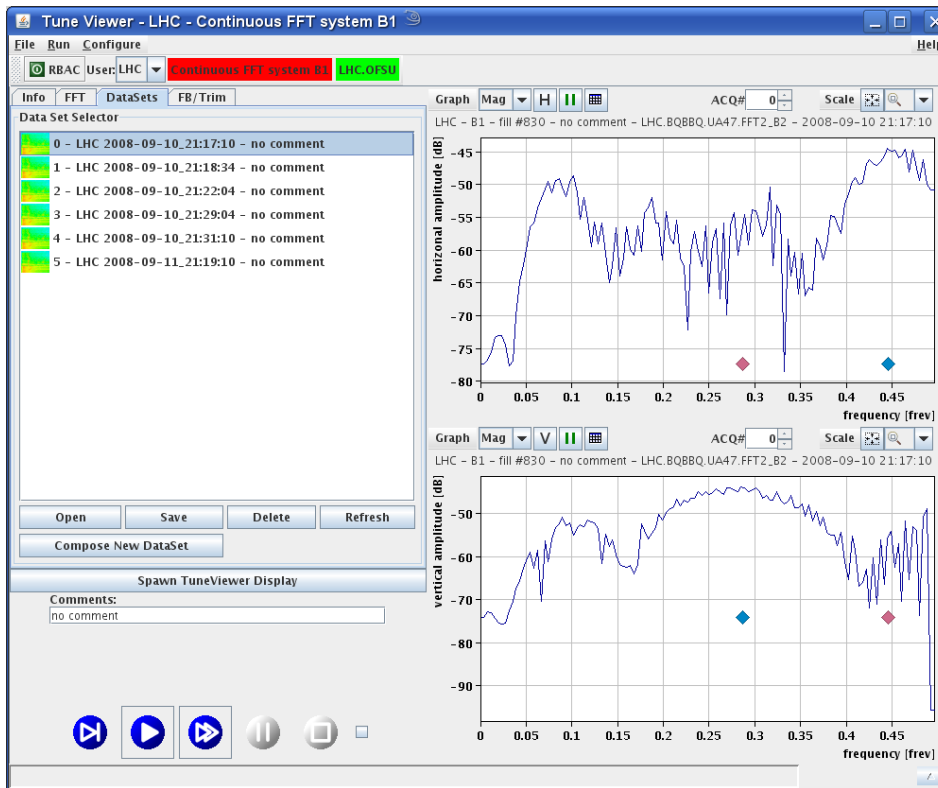
first circulating beam...



- Next few slides document how we got there...

Sep. 10th Beam 2 Injection Tune – 14 Turn Data

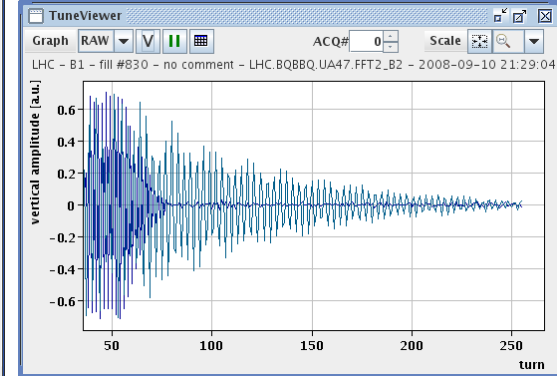
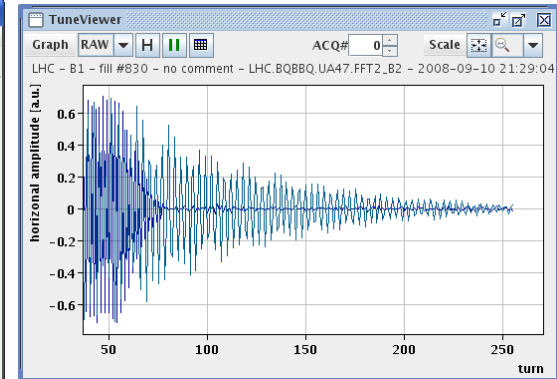
- After adjusting first two turns (no RF, $Q_H \approx .44$, $Q_V \approx .28$)
 - Transient in raw (turn-by-turn) data:
BBQ intrinsic discharging once beam is gone



- Observations: only 14 turns – could the big spectra 'humps' indeed be the injection Q's?
 - vertical spectra is cleaner → decided to trim ' $\Delta q_v = -0.1$ ' and observe change

Beam 2 Injection Tune – 14 Turn Data – Q_V Trim

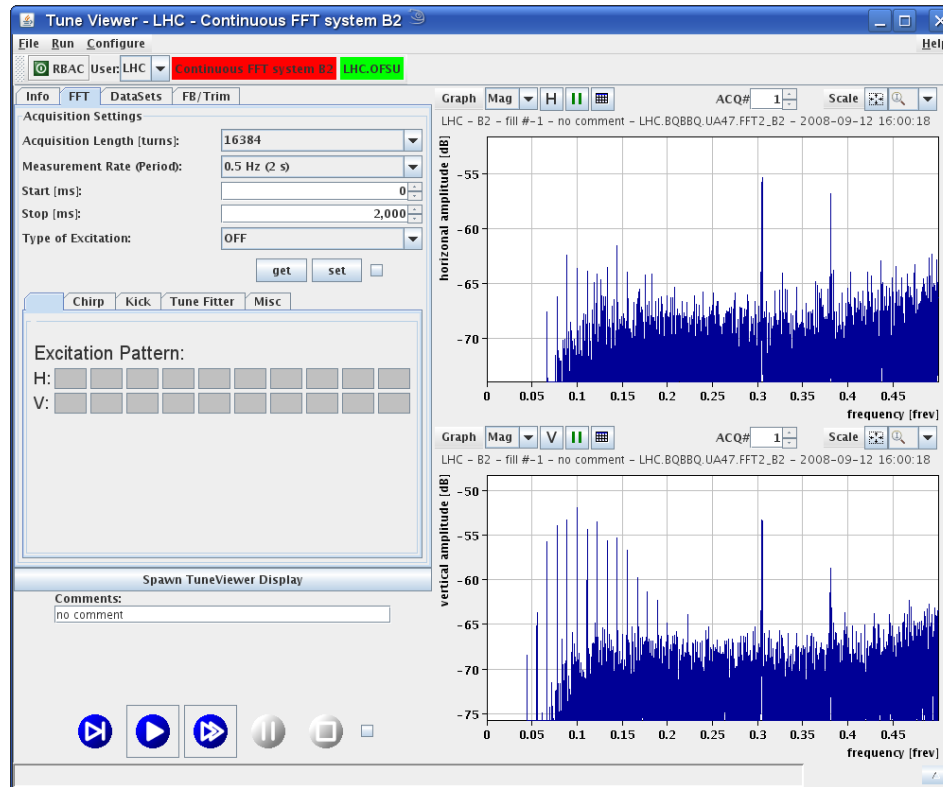
- no RF capture , $Q_H \approx .5 \rightarrow .315$, $Q_V \approx .24$, observation:
 - Programmed ' $\Delta Q_H = -0.2$ ' seen as expected (LSA bug fixed, courtesy M. Lamont)
 - Moving from the half-integer resonance \rightarrow 300+ turns (still no RF capture)



- LSA Settings (= deviation from reference): $\Delta Q_H = -0.05$, $\Delta Q_V = -0.2$

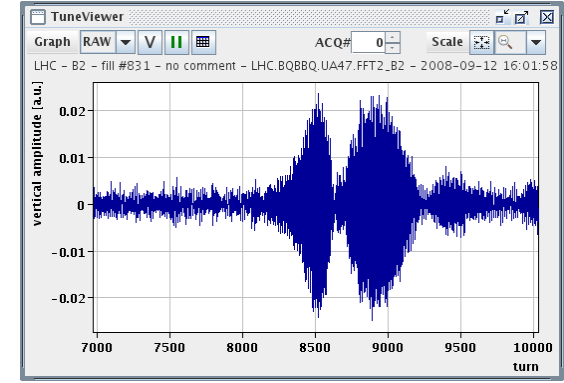
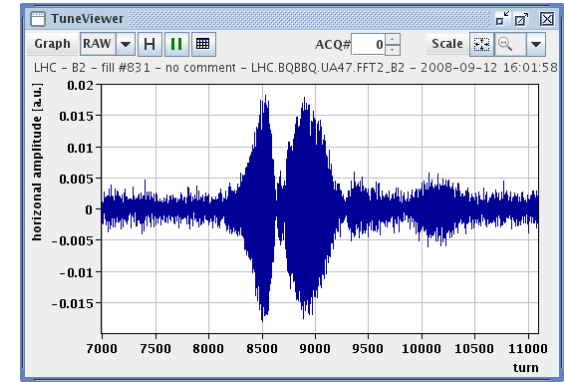
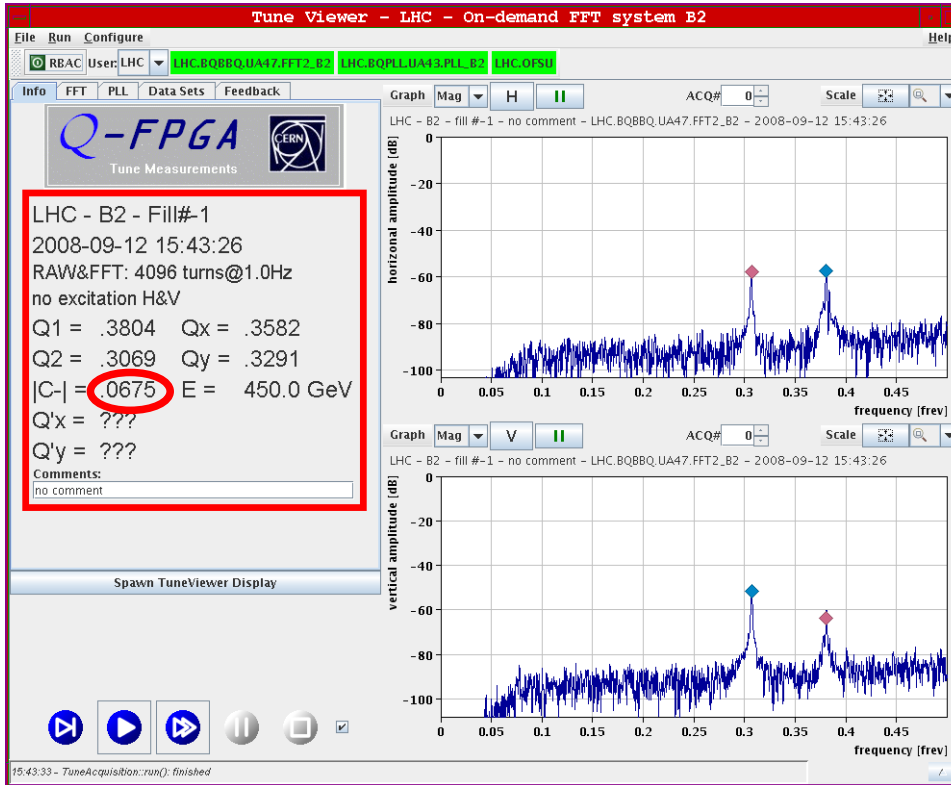
Beam 2 - Typical Circulating Beam Spectra

- Horizontal and vertical tunes were usually seen without further excitation
 - Typical signal-to-noise: 10-20 dB
 - FFT1 (continuous system, logging) was slightly more sensitive (+ ~ 5 dB)
 - Sufficient for monitoring & steering for the given beam configuration (single pilot)



- Coupling measurement benefited from the chirp excitation using the exciter of the RF transverse damper (see next slide)

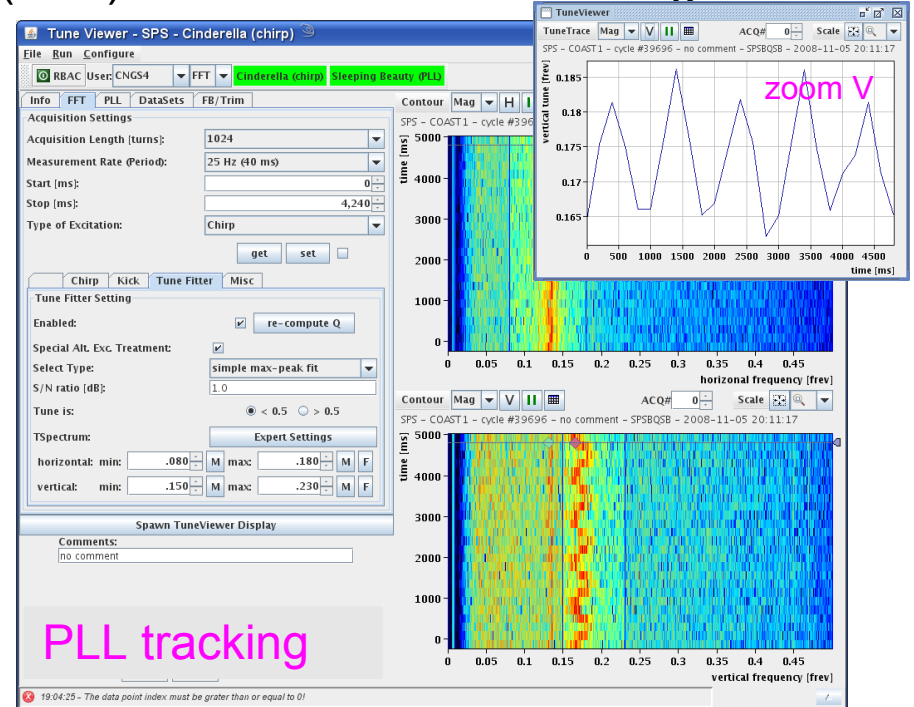
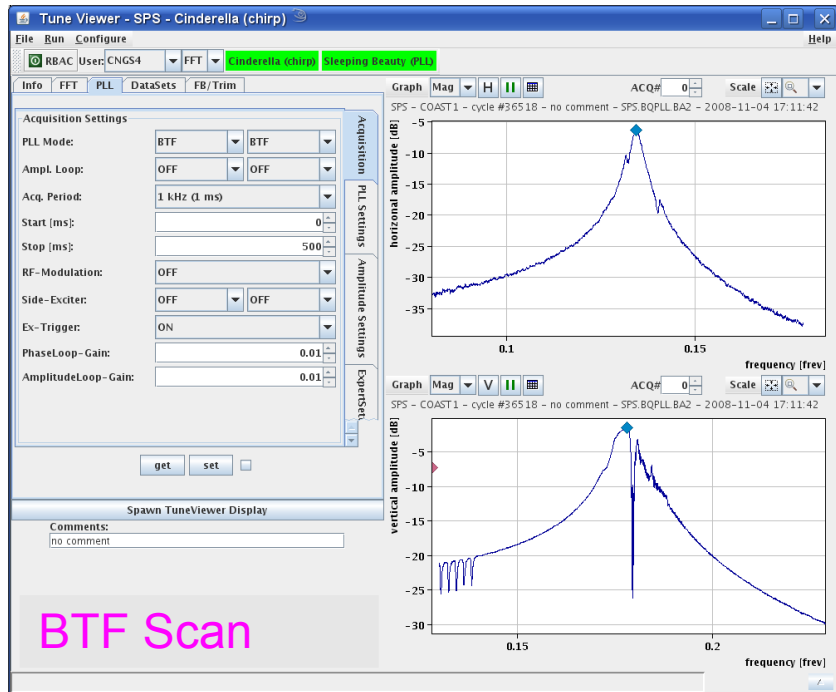
- Measured coupling $|C| \approx 0.07$
 - Compatible with the assumed magnetic field error model at that time (0.06)



- Q-PLL and Q/Q' feedbacks commissioning would have been next, if not ...

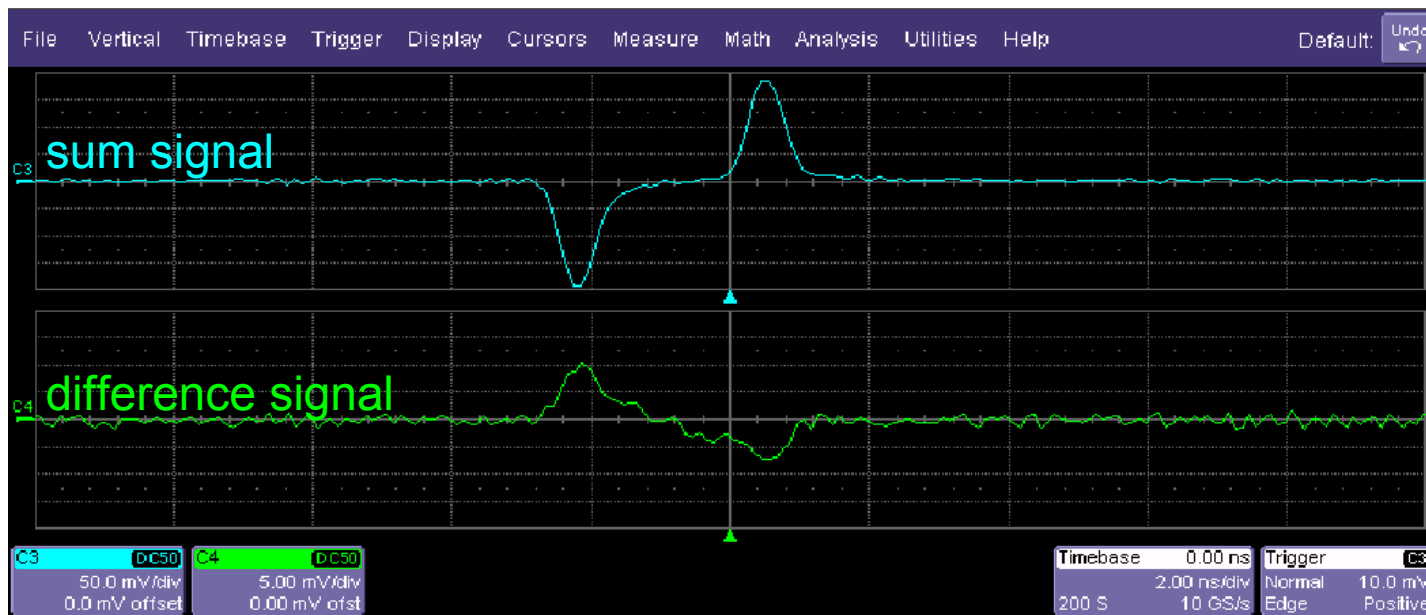
Present Commissioning State ... Tune Phase-Locked-Loop Commissioning

- ... made the best of the absence of beam in the LHC → used the LHC-PLL installation in the SPS for further tests
 - same interfaces/controls/server/operational GUI as LHC
 - Verified Beam-Transfer-Function (BTF) measurement and PLL logic



- To be tested: real-time display for PLL, LHC-RF interfaces (radial modulation)
- Since BBQ HW is fine for B2 (B1) and that the logic is correct (SPS test): remaining PLL commissioning should take less than one shift/beam.

- Tested that detectors are alive and trigger on given timing event
 - Some software tests/adjustments pending
 - one full acquisition presently results in about 1 GByte of data
 - optimisations in the pipe-line
 - optimised memory usage (Java/JDataViewer)
 - optimised/simplified GUI for the WCM
 - Otherwise: same functionality/state as SPS Head-Tail system (bunch length, intensities, HT modes, chroma estimates, ...)





- **Base-line FFT tune acquisition commissioned for B2**
 - used to establish circulating beam (tunes were off by up to 0.5)
 - tested polarities, gains, timing
 - tested RF damper polarities, rough amplitude calibration
(used about 10% of one out of two damper driver modules)
 - Now LHC's baseline exciter for Q measurements
 - tested semi-automatic Q and Q' correction schemes (via LSA)
 - tested MKQ trigger & kicker response (synchro-delay adjustments pending)
- **BPMs/Orbit Feedback:**
 - good BPM readings, permitting fast commissioning of circulating beam
 - practically all BPM triggered with intensities down to $\approx 2 \cdot 10^9$ protons
 - noise floor: COD power supplies (5-10 μm), residual BPM 'white noise' (6 μm), thermal BPM drifts ($\sim 35 \mu\text{m}/^\circ\text{C}$, to be fixed)
 - Only few calibration & mapping errors found after injection tests!
 - We are lucky and should probably play the lottery more often!
 - Few noisy pick-ups electronic chains remain to be check/replaced
 - Data concentration and error/fault filter operational
 - Commissioned/tested about 250/1060 CODs with beam (ongoing)

Conclusions II/II

- Things to be (Re-) Done

- Full commissioning of B1 FFT1 & FFT2 BBQ systems
 - first turn works (all detectors alive), plane pending
 - otherwise same procedure as for B2:
 - damper polarities, amplitude calibration, ...
- Full commissioning of B1 and B2 BBQ Phase-Locked-Loop Systems
 - pre-requisite for first ramp! However: if no surprises: < shift/beam
- Test of (semi-) automated Q' & C- measurement and correction procedures
 - after SPS tests: LHC-RF radial modulation
- Feedbacks
 - 750/1060 COD polarity and optic checks with beam pending
 - Quadrupole & sextupole circuit mapping/polarity checks with beam
 - test of > 1300 power-converter real-time inputs (AB/PO)
 - Semi- (or even fully) automated FB on Q/C- is probably fastest/easiest to setup
- Training of LHC operators & EIC's
(ongoing, some have never seen/measured/corrected Q/Q' and even less C-)