

Under the LHC Bonnet

Commissioning with Beam in 2010

An impression by Ralph J. Steinhagen, CERN

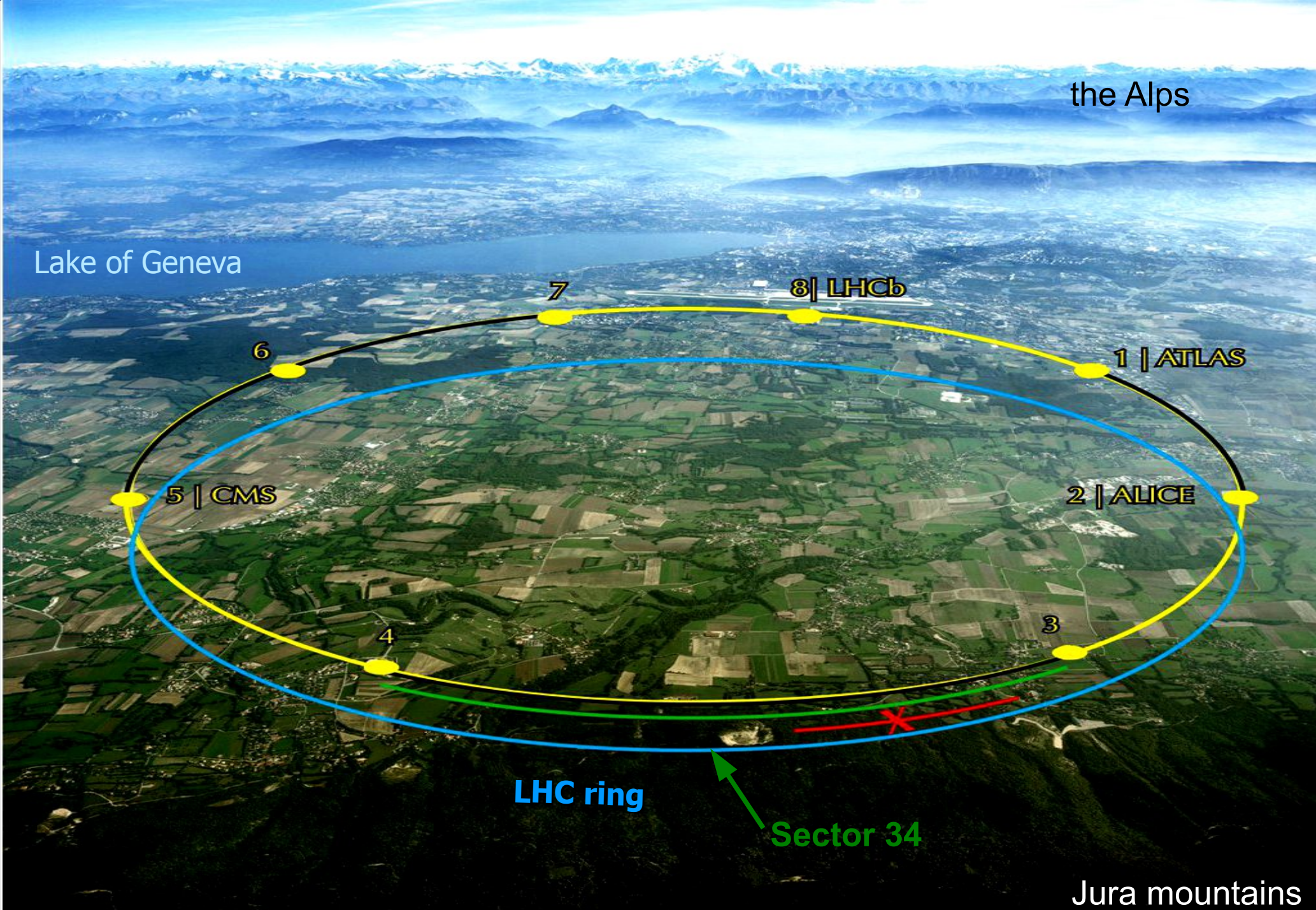
- Part I - LHC Commissioning with Circulating Beam
 - Milestones of 60 hours of LHC Beam
 - 'The September 19th Incident in LHC Sector 34'
 - Analysis, consolidation and response measures

- Part II – Re-Commissioning with Beam in 2010
 - Some impression on operation with
 - Proton beams
 - Ions beams
 - Some selected “puzzles” we are working on...



The Large Hadron Collider LHC

Installed in the LEP tunnel, 27 km, Depth of 70-140 m



the Alps

Lake of Geneva

1 | ATLAS

2 | ALICE

5 | CMS

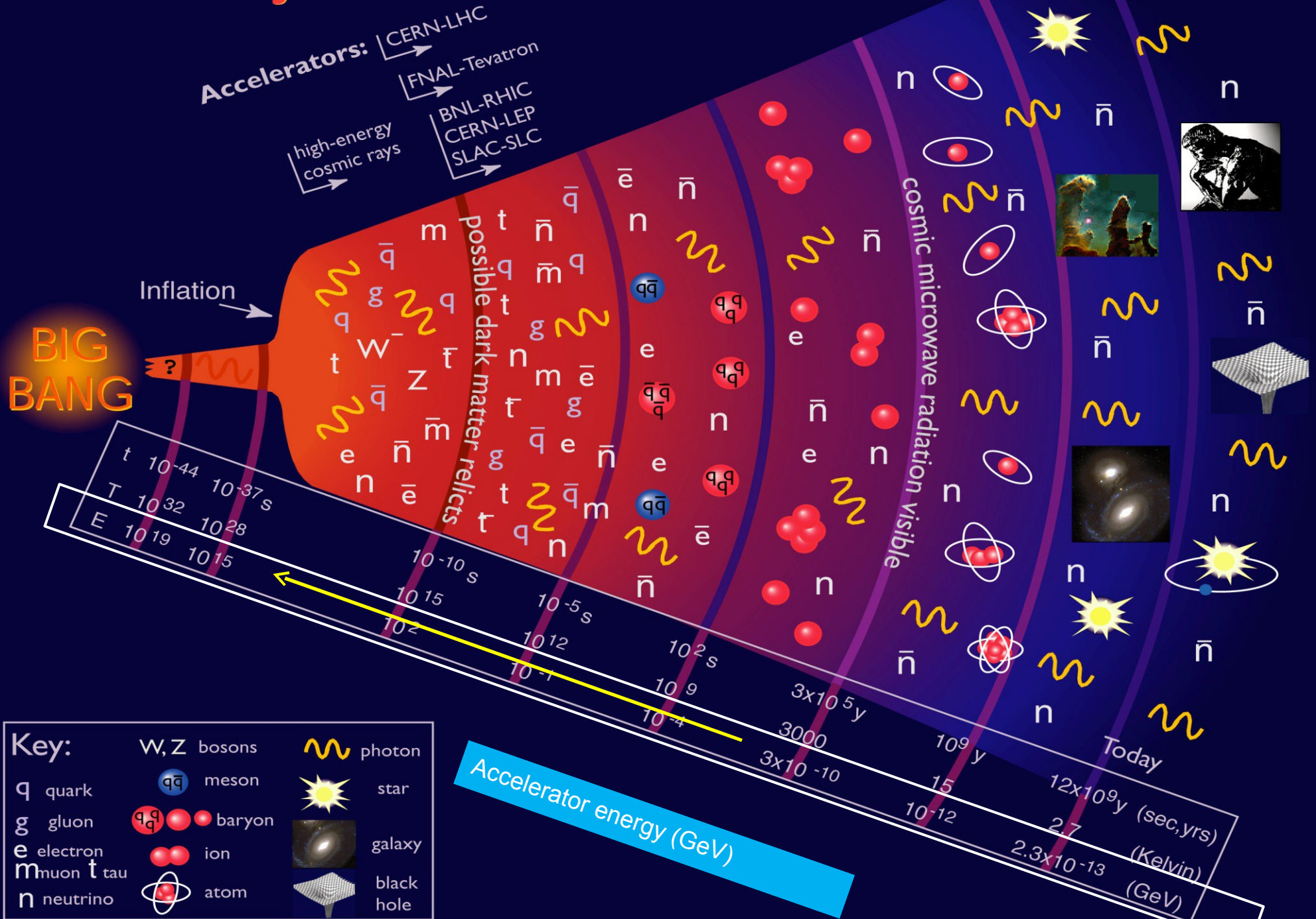
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LHC ring

Sector 34

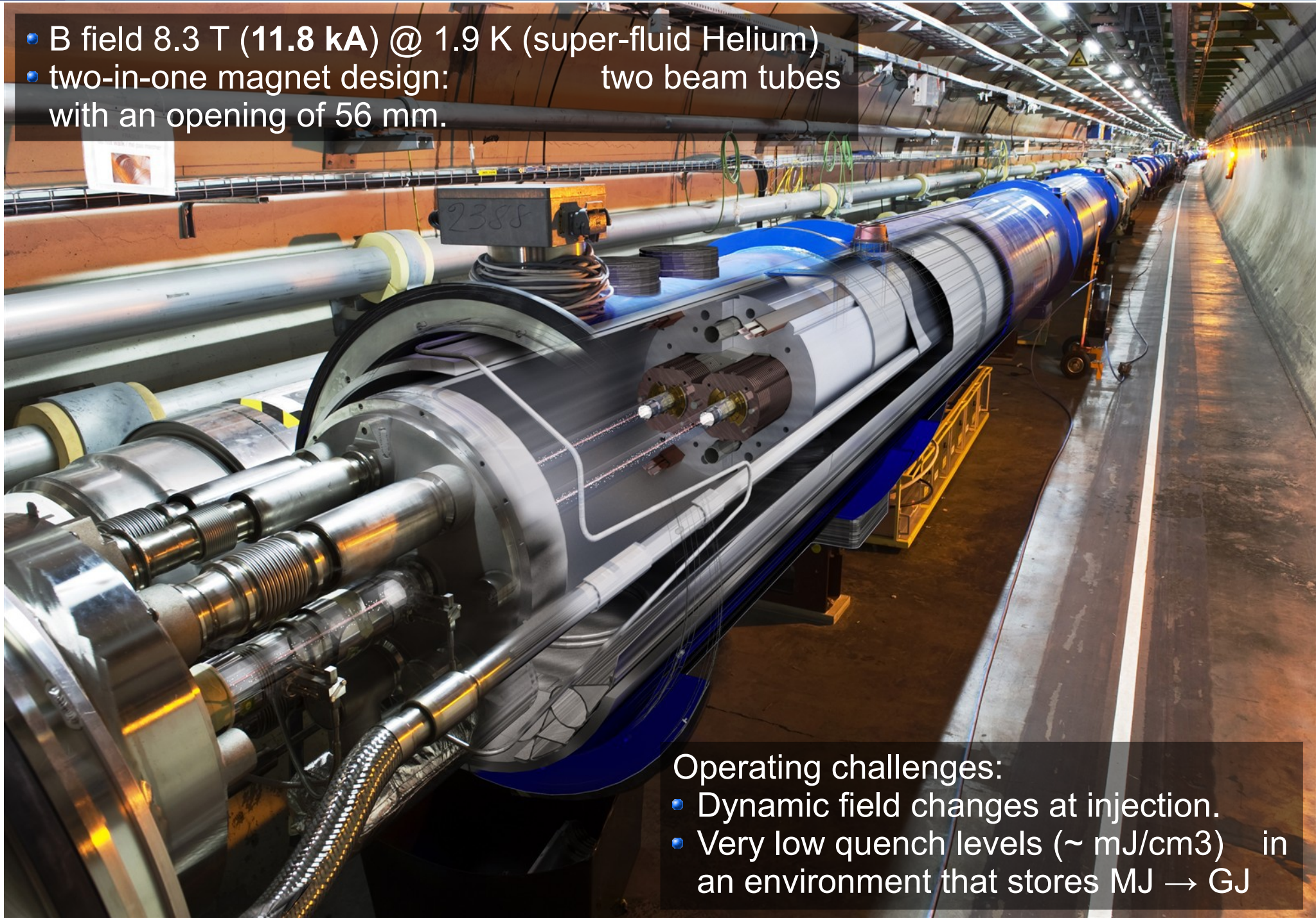
Jura mountains

History of the Universe



27 km Circumference – 1232 LHC dipole magnet

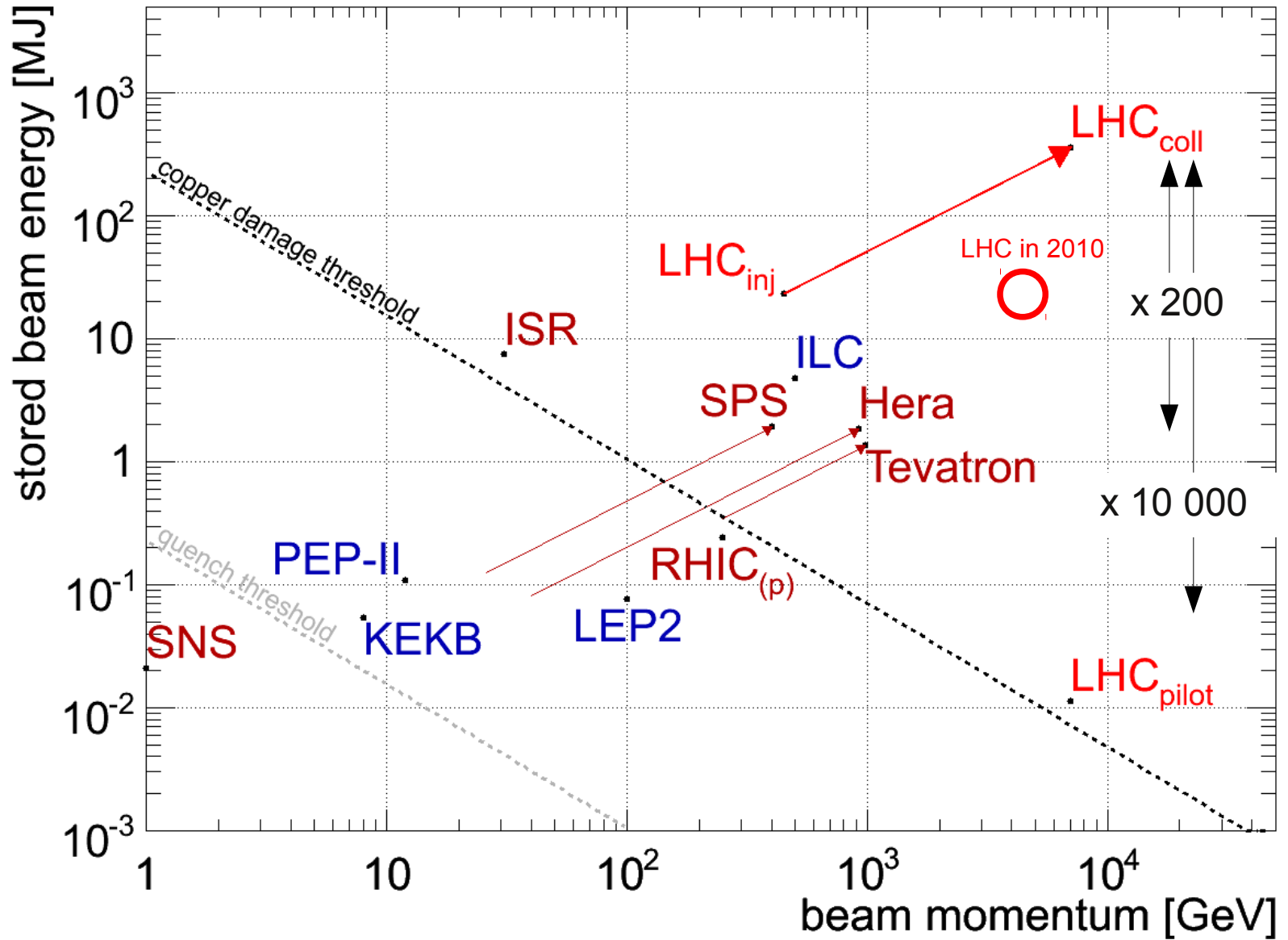
- B field 8.3 T (11.8 kA) @ 1.9 K (super-fluid Helium)
- two-in-one magnet design: two beam tubes with an opening of 56 mm.



Operating challenges:

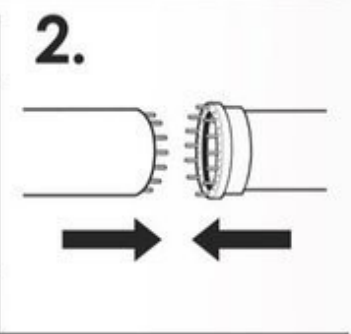
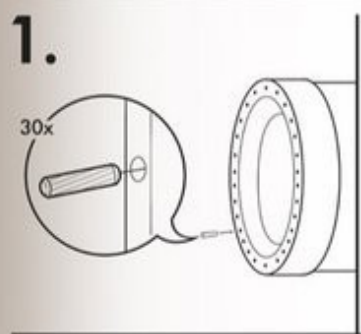
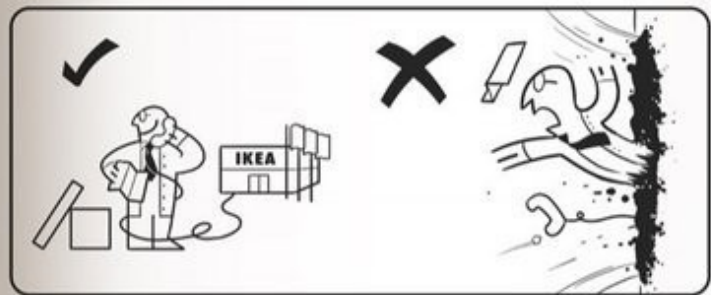
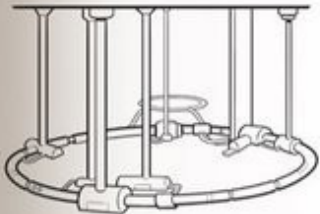
- Dynamic field changes at injection.
- Very low quench levels (\sim mJ/cm³) in an environment that stores MJ \rightarrow GJ

Risks with Beam: Total Stored Beam Energy



- LHC requires respect and vigilant treatment ...not much margin to err

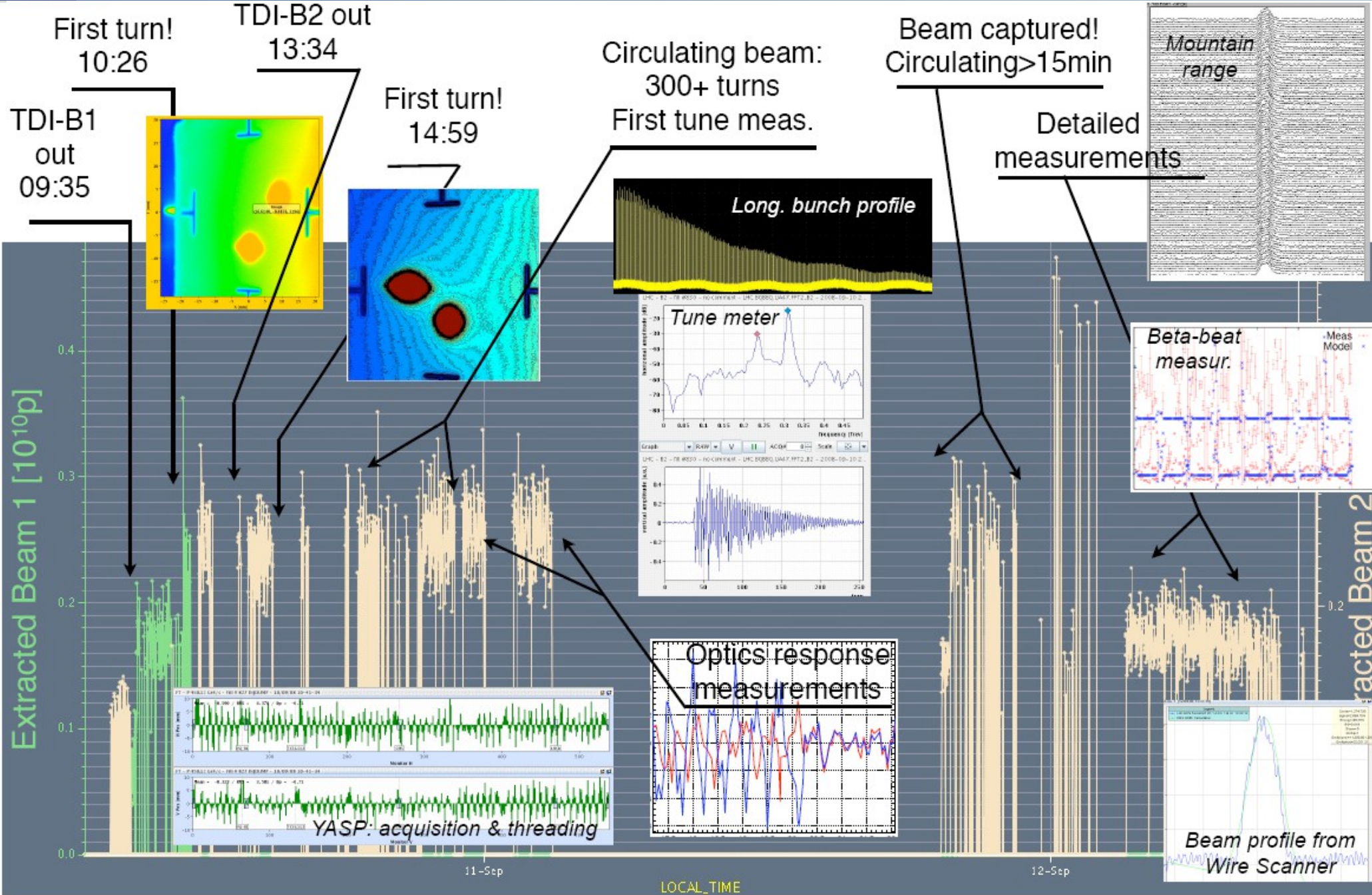
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10th September 2008

Milestones of 50 Hours of LHC Beam Operation



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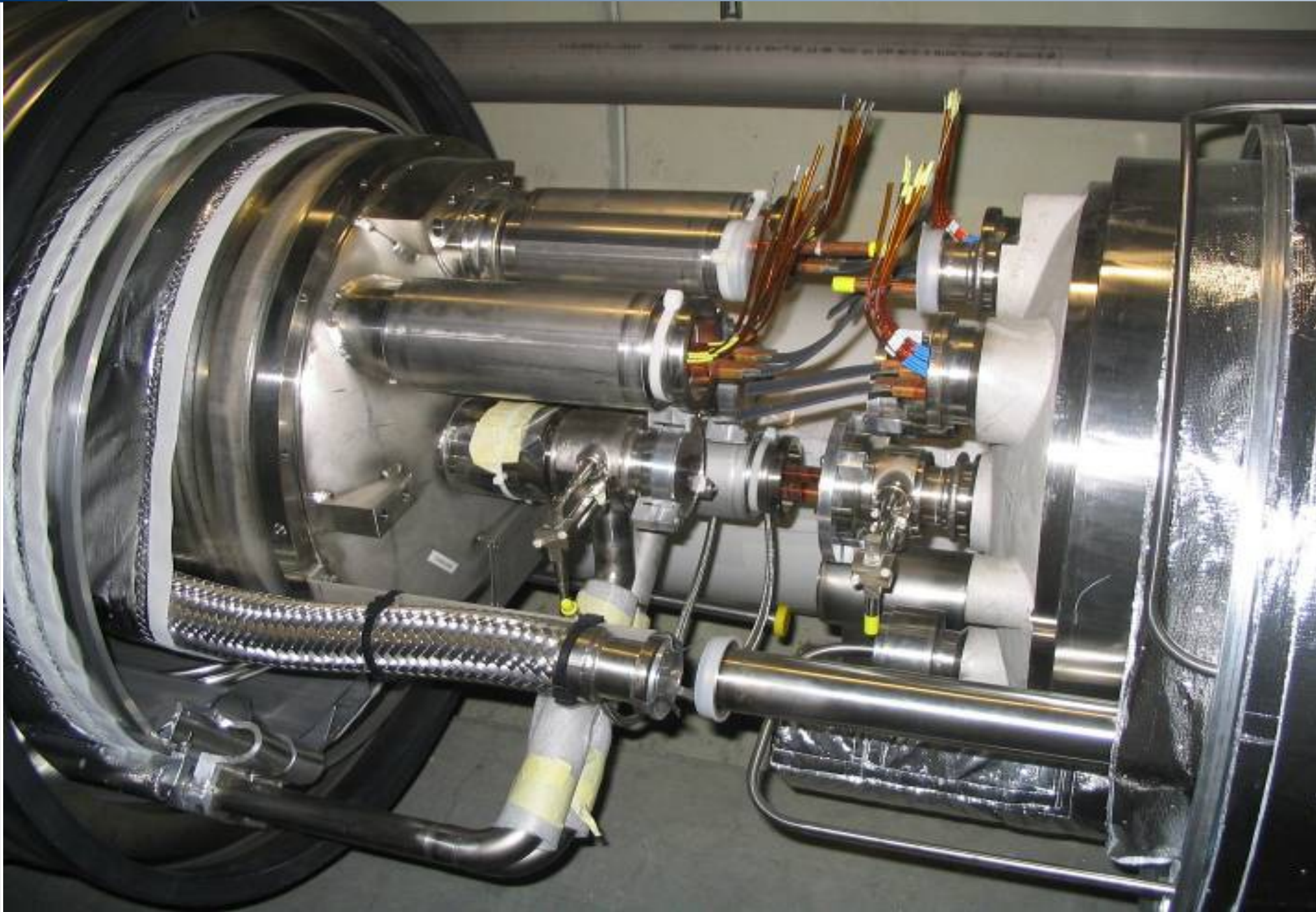
10th of September 2008 – CERN Control (Show) Room



Three fantastic days, all went like a dream with beam...



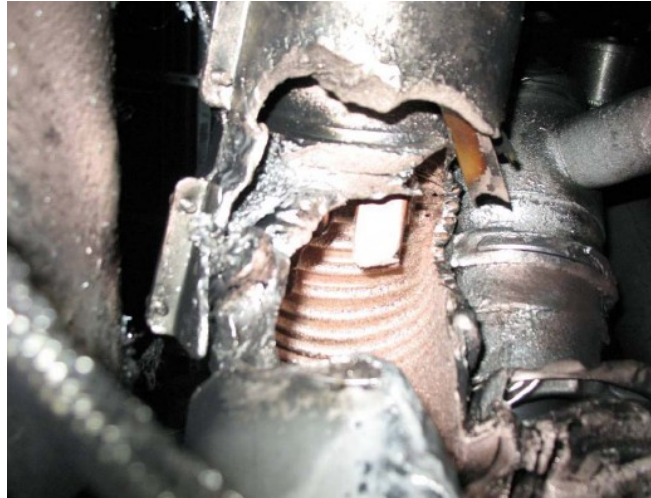
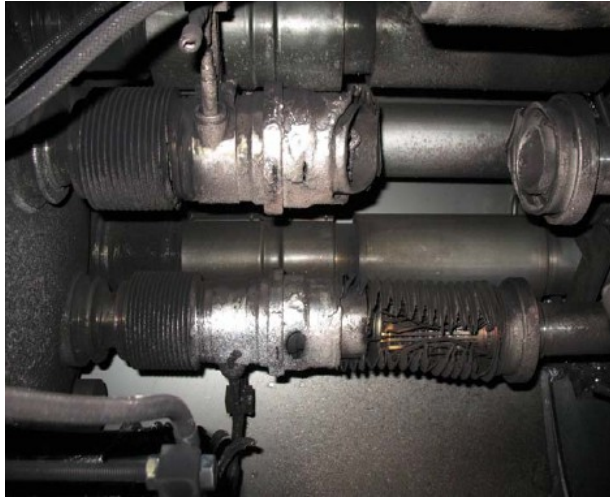
Risk without Beam: While preparing the last sector for to 5 TeV operation ...



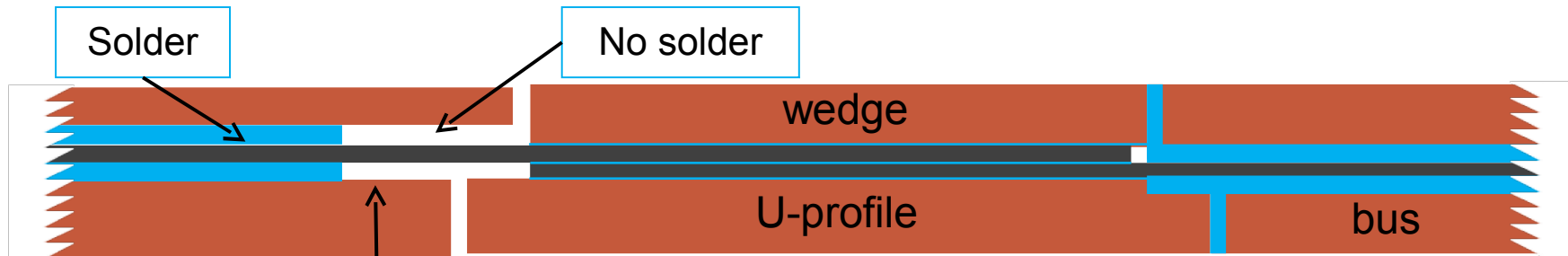




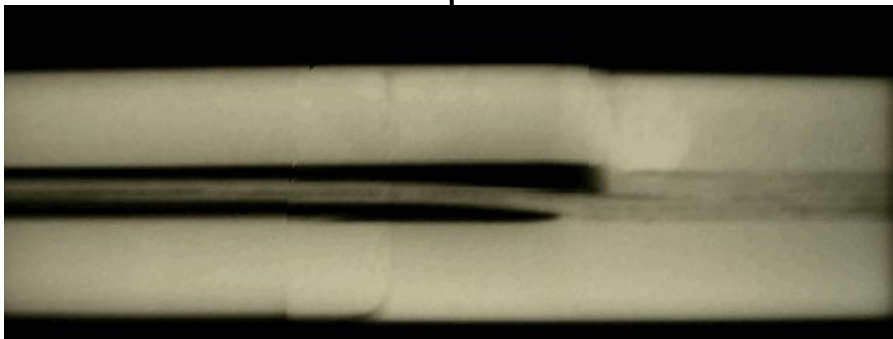
QQBI.27R3



- The copper stabilizes the bus bar in the event of a cable quench (=bypass for the current while the energy is extracted from the circuit).
 - Protection system in place in 2008 not sufficiently sensitive.
- A copper bus bar with reduced continuity coupled to a superconducting cable badly soldered to the stabiliser can lead to a serious incident.



X-ray of joint

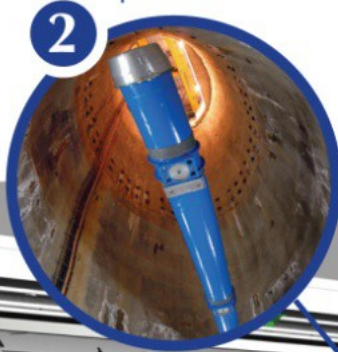


- Typical joint resistances: 0.3 nΩ @1.9K (100 μΩ @300K)
- During repair, inspection of the joints revealed systematic voids caused by the welding procedure.

14 quadrupole magnets replaced



39 dipole magnets replaced



54 electrical interconnections fully repaired. 150 more needing only partial repairs



Over 4 km of vacuum beam tube cleaned



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A new longitudinal restraining system is being fitted to 50 quadrupole magnets

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Nearly 900 new helium pressure release ports are being installed around the machine

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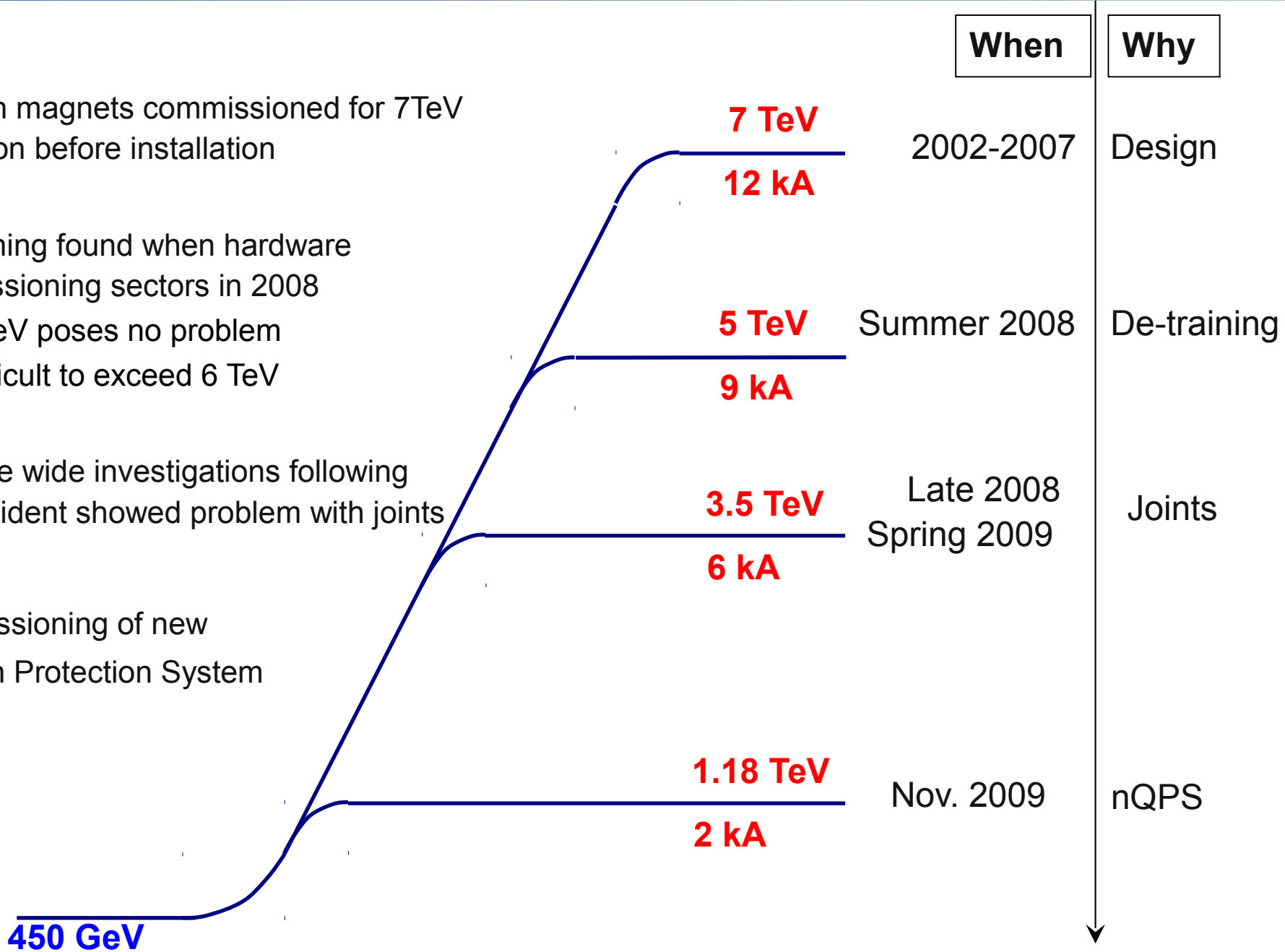


6500 new detectors are being added to the magnet protection system, requiring 250 km of cables to be laid



LHC target energy: the way down

- ❑ All main magnets commissioned for 7TeV operation before installation
- ❑ De-training found when hardware commissioning sectors in 2008
 - 5 TeV poses no problem
 - Difficult to exceed 6 TeV
- ❑ Machine wide investigations following S34 incident showed problem with joints
- ❑ Commissioning of new Quench Protection System (nQPS)





Steve Myer's Conclusion during the Chamonix Workshop:



“A ship in harbour is safe, but that is not what ships are built for.”, John Augustus Shedd, *Salt from My Attic*, 1928

- Clear priorities
 - Re-commission the repaired sectors and new more sensitive quench protection system with beam
 - lay the foundations for 2011 and the delivery of 1 fb^{-1}
 - ↔ competitive high-energy-physics (Tevatron)
 - peak luminosity target $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
 - Gain solid operational experience of injecting, ramping, squeezing and establishing stable beams
 - Steady running at or around 1 MJ for an extended period
 - Perform a safe, phased increase in intensity with validation and a running period at each step

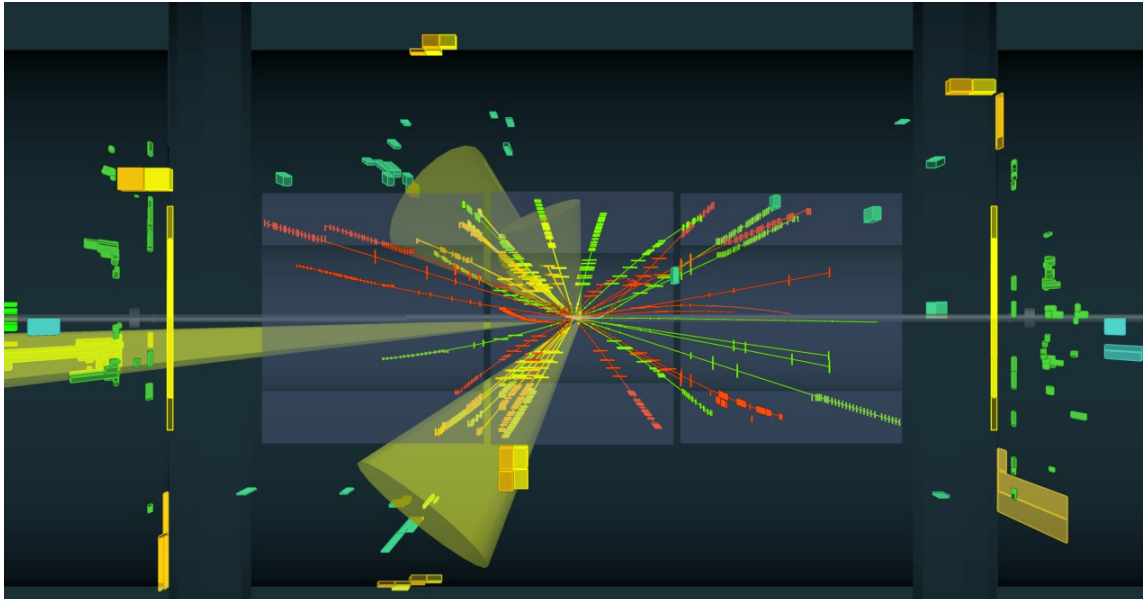
- Great relief on November 20th when both beams circulated again
- November 29th reaching 1.2 TeV for the first time:



- Systems commissioned at forced pace – aim to check as much as possible
 - Our most optimistic plan became true !!
 - Gained experience with the new, and much more sensitive QPS system



1.2 TeV Collisions



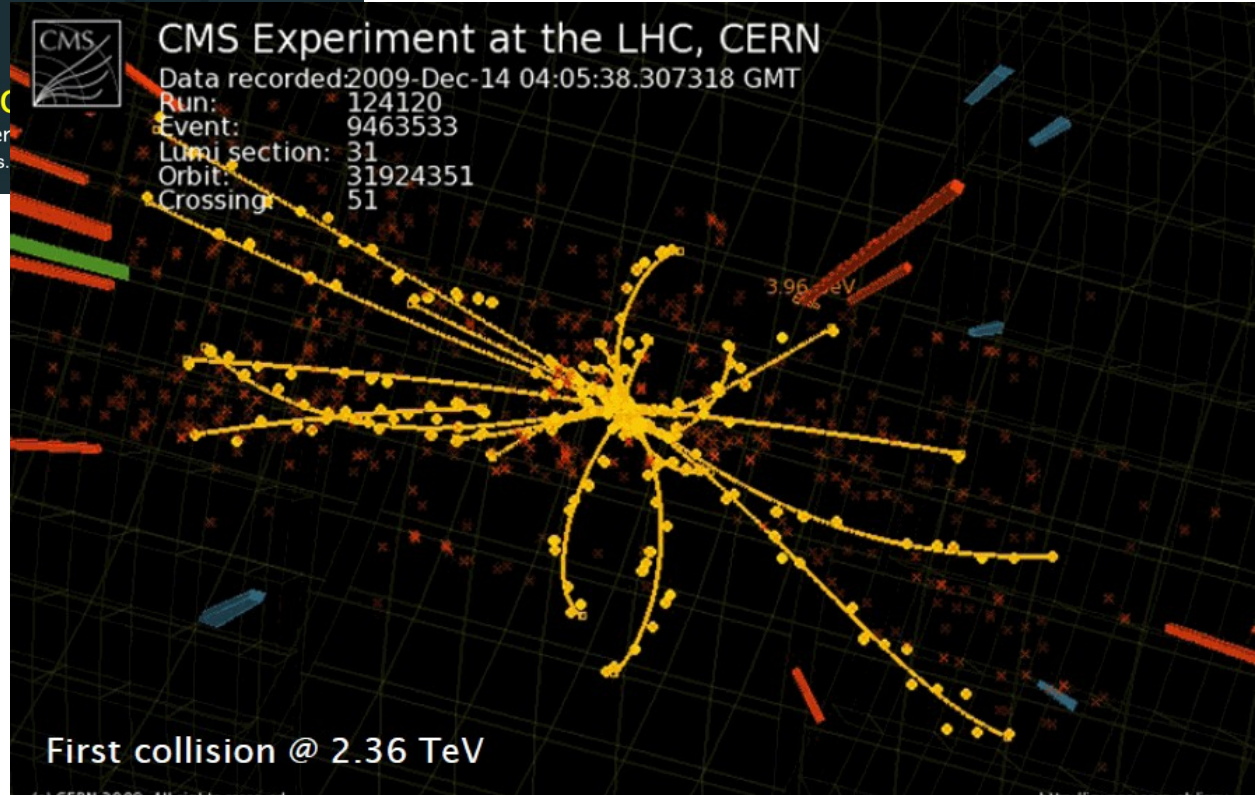
Jet Event at 2.36 TeV Co

2009-12-14, 04:30 CET, Run 142308, Event
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CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN

Data recorded: 2009-Dec-14 04:05:38.307318 GMT
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Event: 9463533
Lumi section: 31
Orbit: 31924351
Crossing: 51



First collision @ 2.36 TeV

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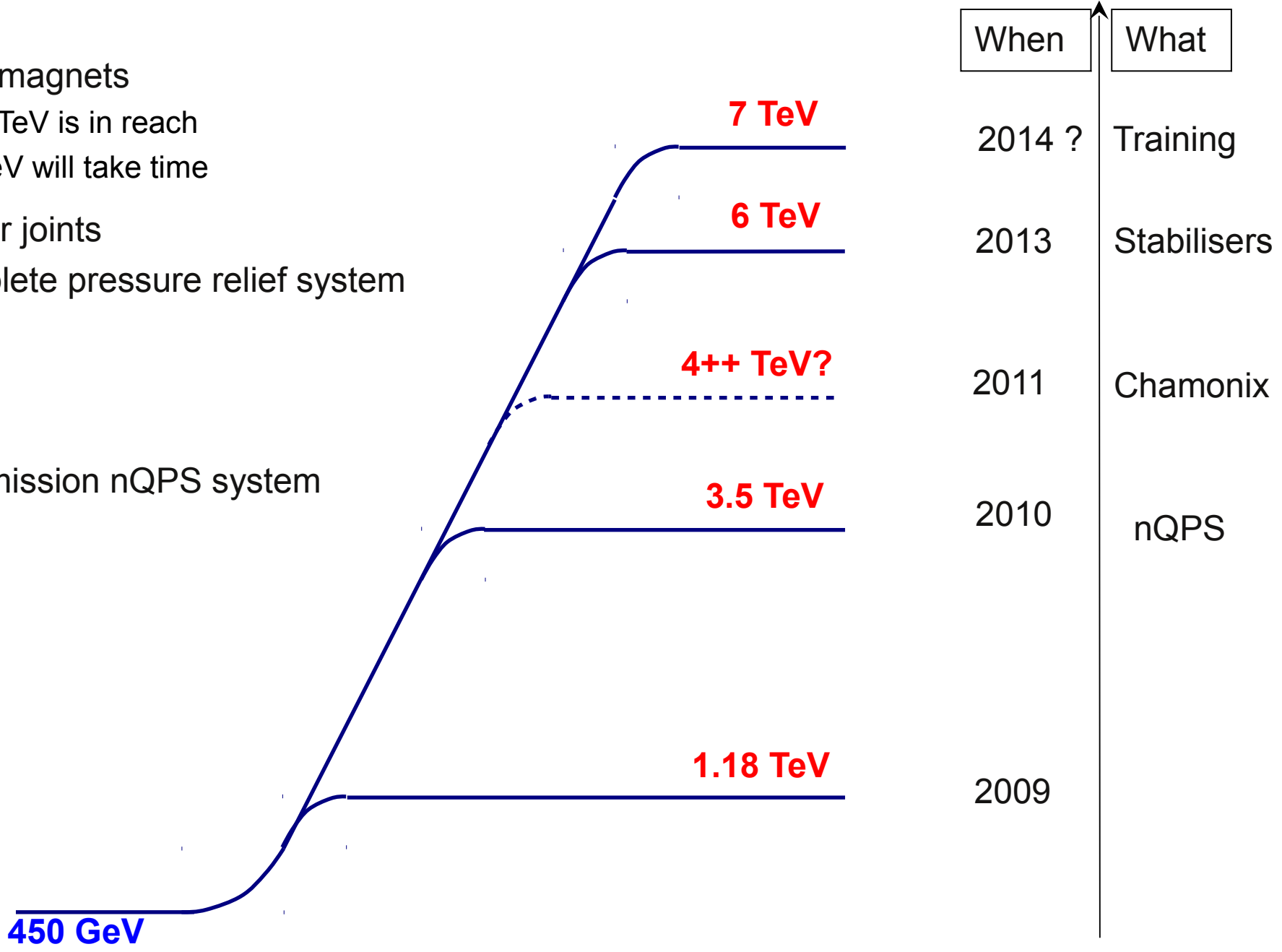
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LHC target energy: the way up

- Train magnets
 - 6.5 TeV is in reach
 - 7 TeV will take time
- Repair joints
- Complete pressure relief system

- Commission nQPS system



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Date	Achieved	
Feb 28	Restart with beam.	
Mar 30	First collisions at 7 TeV centre of mass.	Luminosity ~ $2 \cdot 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
Apr 01	Start squeeze commissioning.	Regular physics runs 2 on 2 bunches of 1010 Un-squeezed 1 colliding pairs per experiment Rates around 100Hz
Apr 07	Squeeze to 2 m in points 1 and 5.	
Apr 09	Single nominal bunch of $1.1 \cdot 10^{11}$ stable at 450GeV.	
Apr 13	Squeeze to 2 m in point 8.	
Apr 16	Squeeze to 2m in point 2.	
April 24	First stable beams at 7 TeV, 3 on 3, squeeze to 2m.	

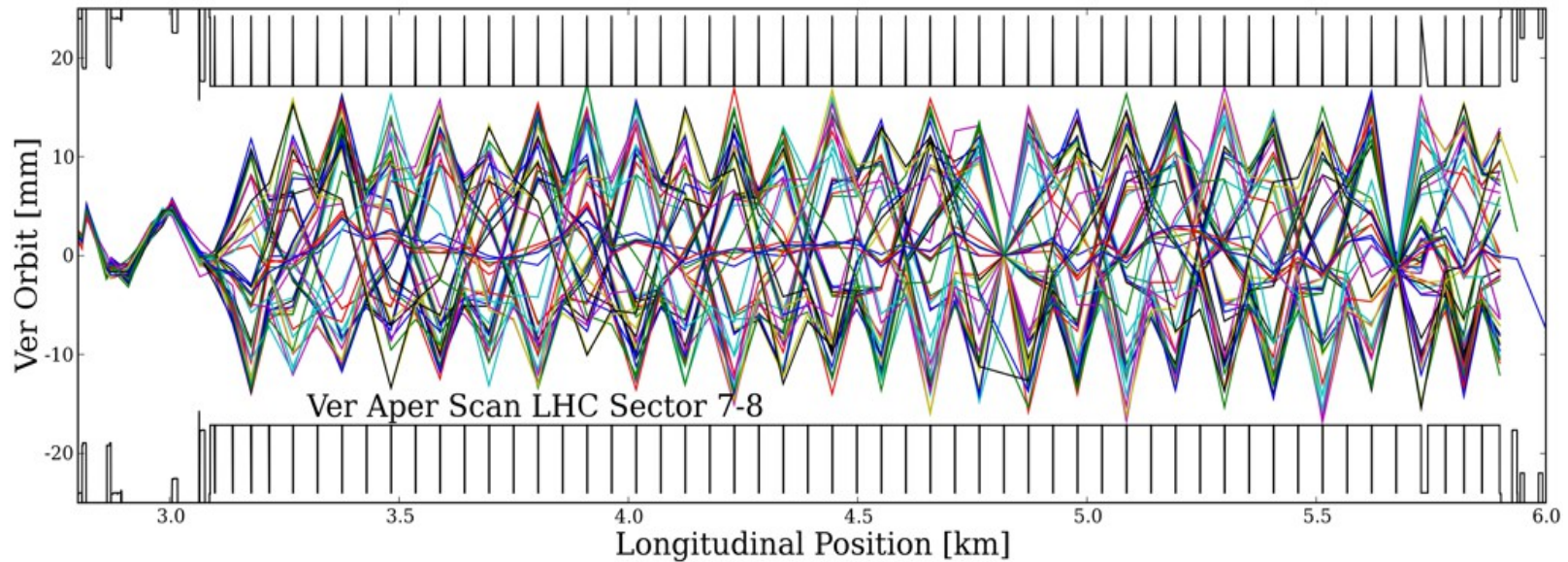
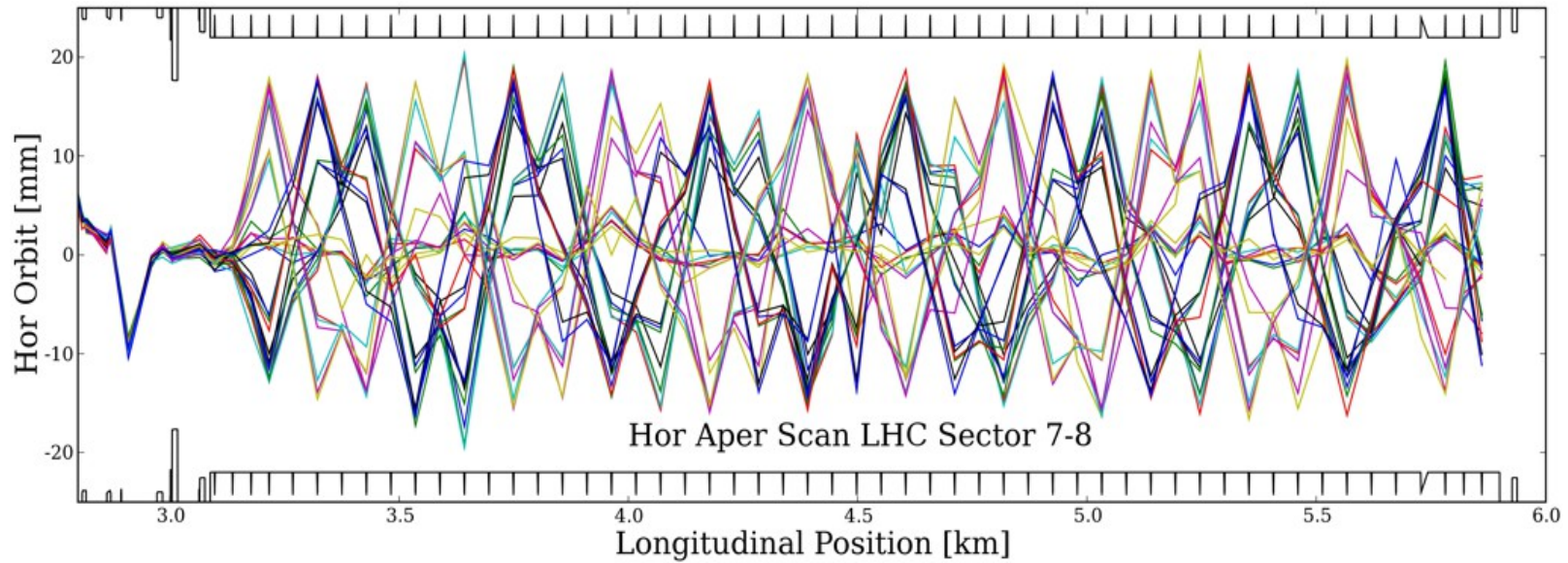


Milestones reached 2010 (to August)

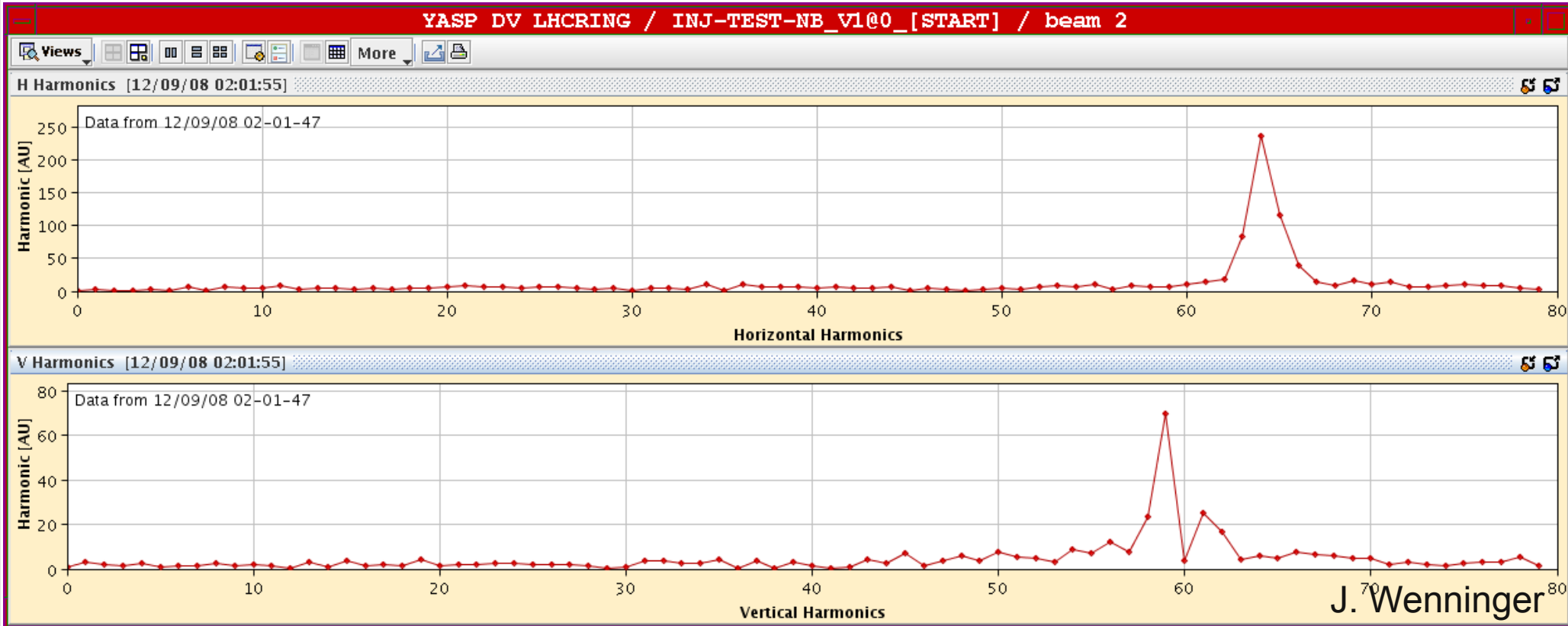
Date	Achieved	
May	Increase bunch intensity to 2 1010, Increase kb.	Regular physics runs
May 24	13 on 13, 8 colliding pairs per experiment.	Luminosity ~ 3 10 ²⁹ cm-2 s-1
June	Increase bunch intensity to nominal, squeeze to 3.5m.	Machine development
June 25	First stable beams at 7 TeV, 3 on 3 nominal bunch.	Luminosity ~ 5 10 ²⁹ cm-2 s-1
July 15	13 on 13, 8 colliding pairs, 9 1010 / b	Luminosity ~ 1.5 10 ³⁰ cm-2 s-1
July 30	25 on 25, 16 colliding pairs, 9 1010 / b	Luminosity ~ 3 10 ³⁰ cm-2 s-1
Aug 19	48 on 48, 36 colliding pairs 1 5 and 8, 9 1010 / b	Luminosity ~ 6 10 ³⁰ cm-2 s-1
Aug	Stable running period to consolidate operation and MP 50x50, 11 1010 / b	~2-3 MJ per beam Luminosity ~ 1 10 ³¹ cm-2 s-1

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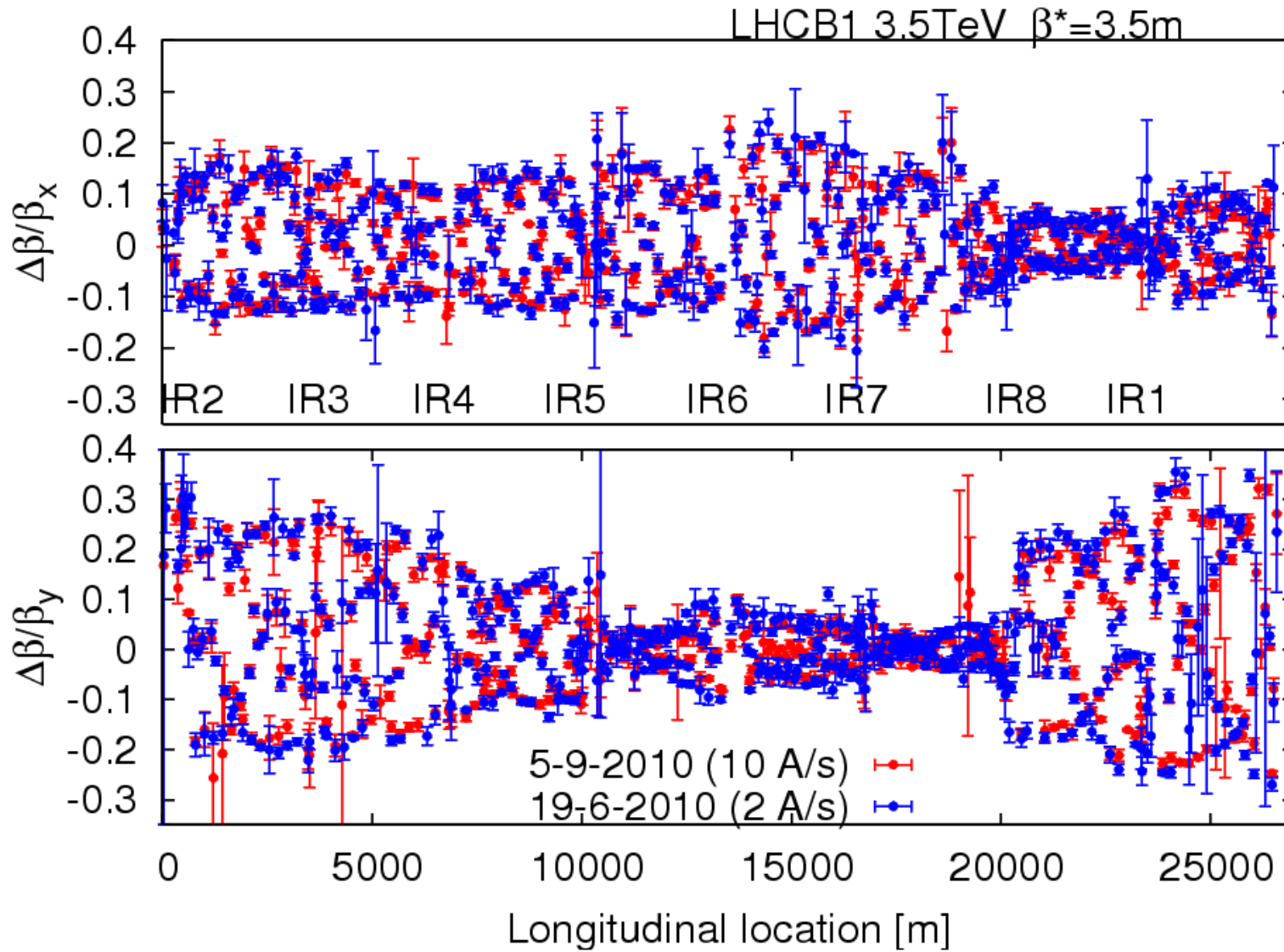
- A great relief : the aperture was very good – no buckled bellows & Co.



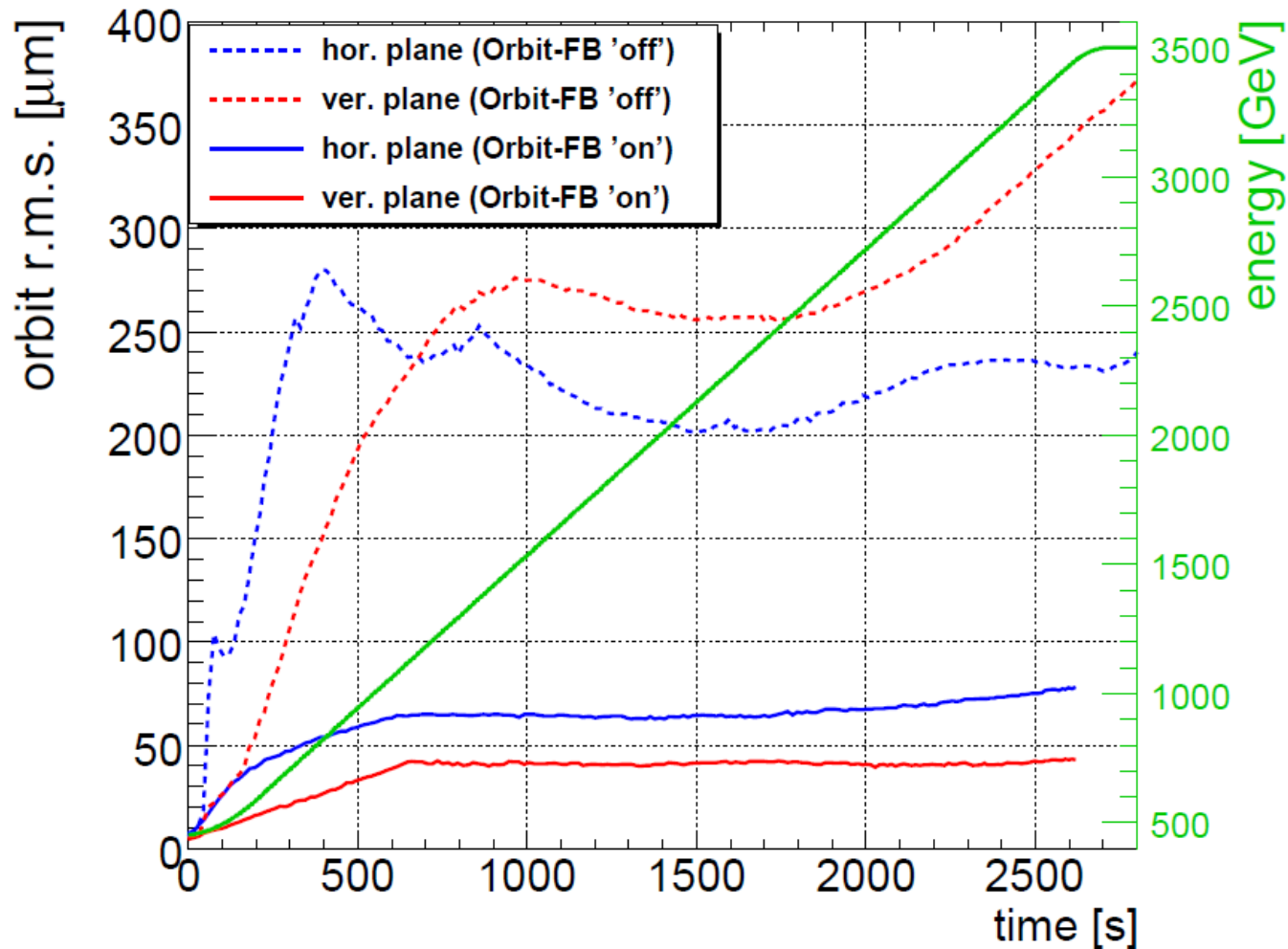
- Something probably measured only rarely during an accelerator's life-time:
 - Integer tunes: $Q_x = 64$ & $Q_y = 59$



- Stunningly stable optics after three month



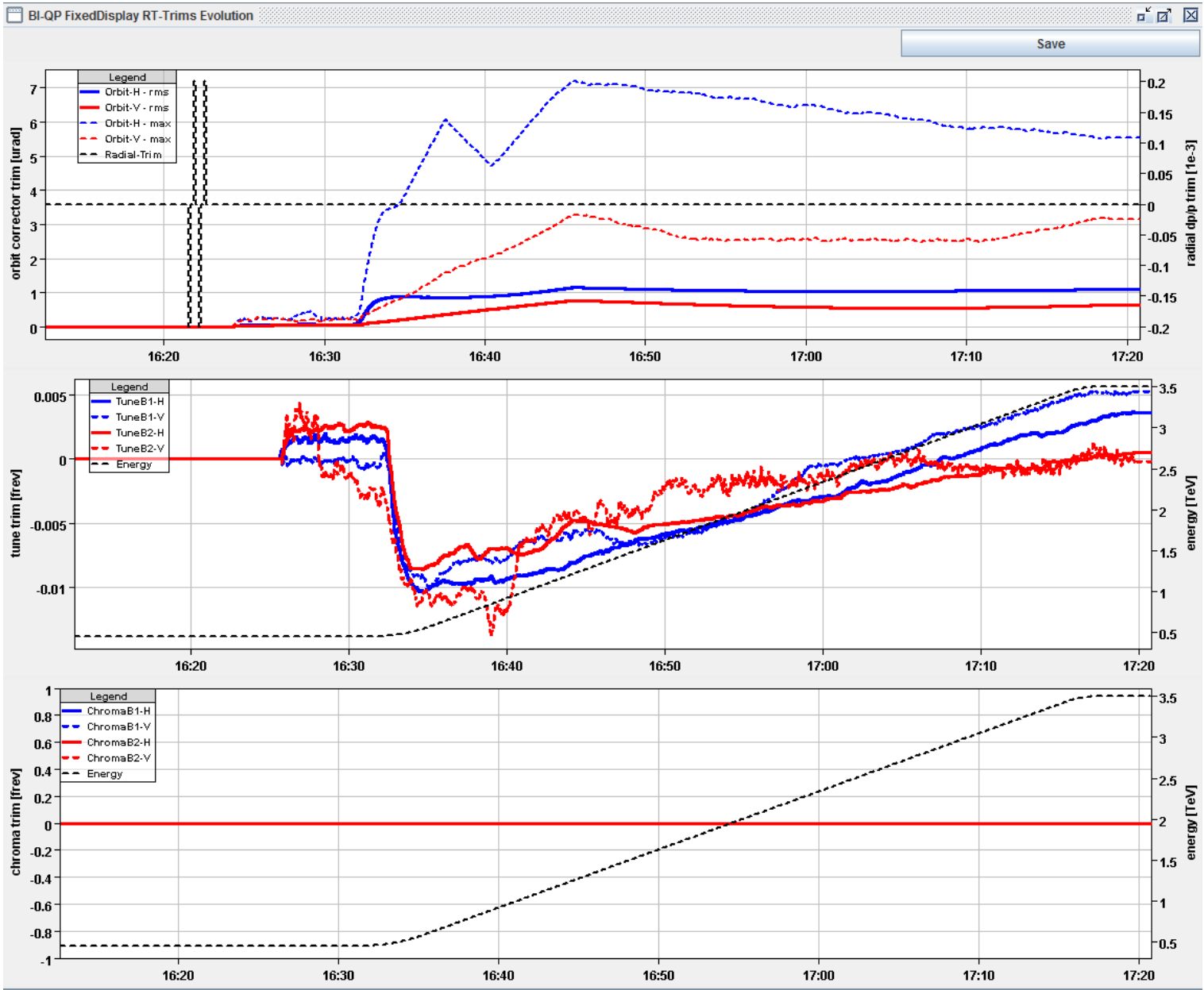
Orbit stability in the ramp: $\leq 80 \mu\text{m rms}$



- The LHC only operates reliably with both orbit and tune FBs (ramp and squeeze).
 - Ramp and squeeze essentially without losses !!!!



Feedback in Action : Ramp

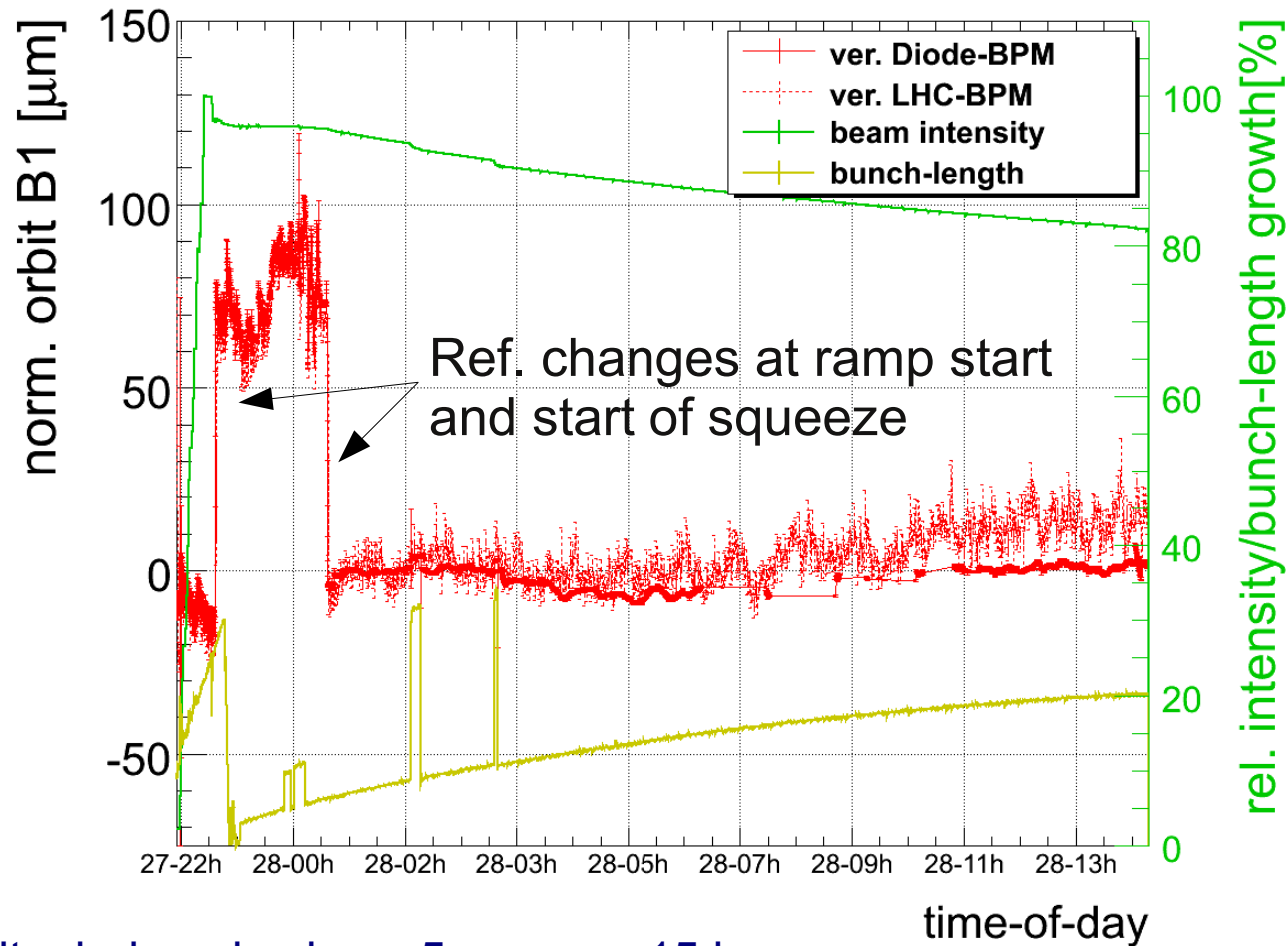


Fill 1309
 29.08.2010
 OFB trims (μrad)

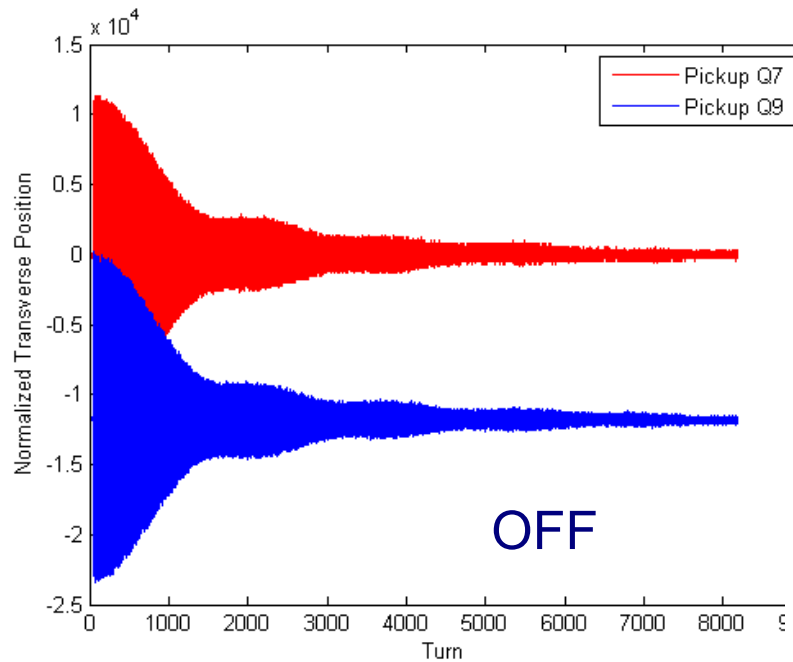
QFB trims

Energy (TeV)

- Injection probe-beam, injection physics beam, ramp, squeeze, stable physics
 - Stability at one reference pick-up in LSS4

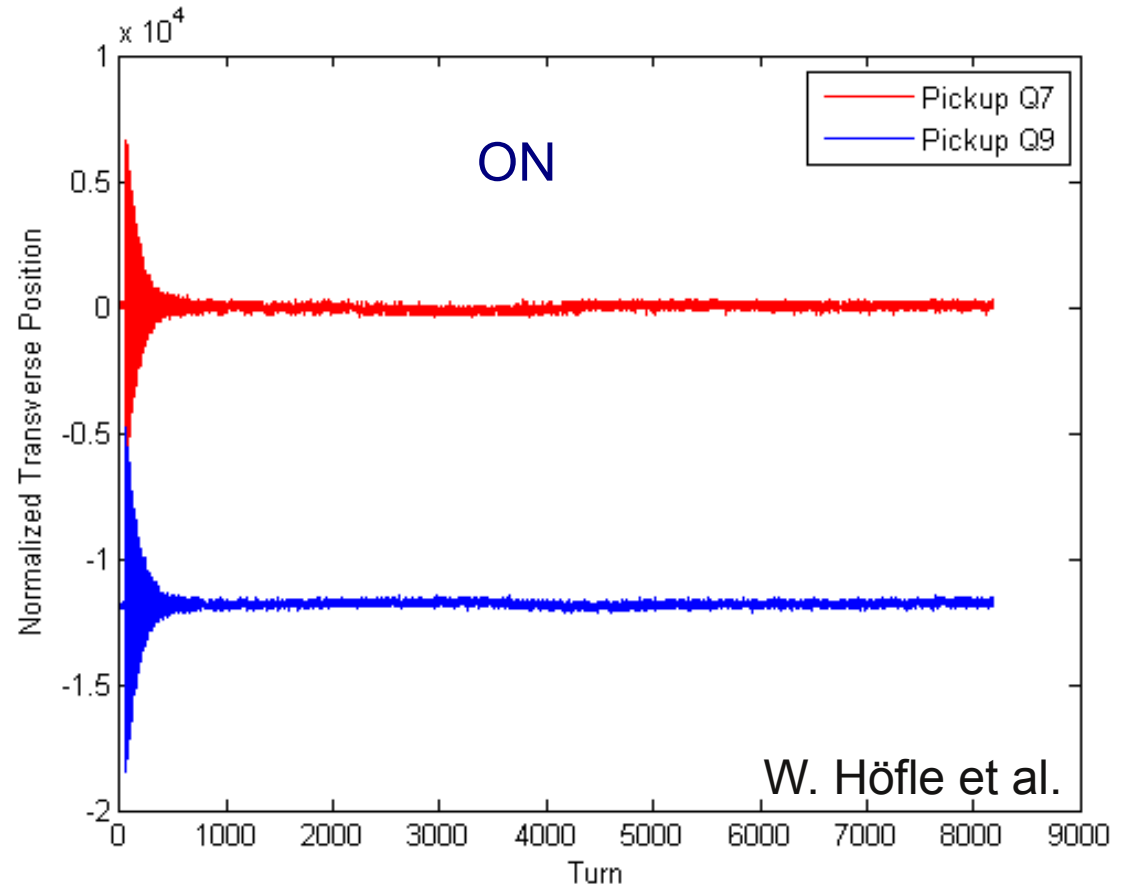


- Orbit stability during physics < 5 μm over 15 hours



Already operational through the cycle – including stable beams

Crucial to keep emittance growth under control



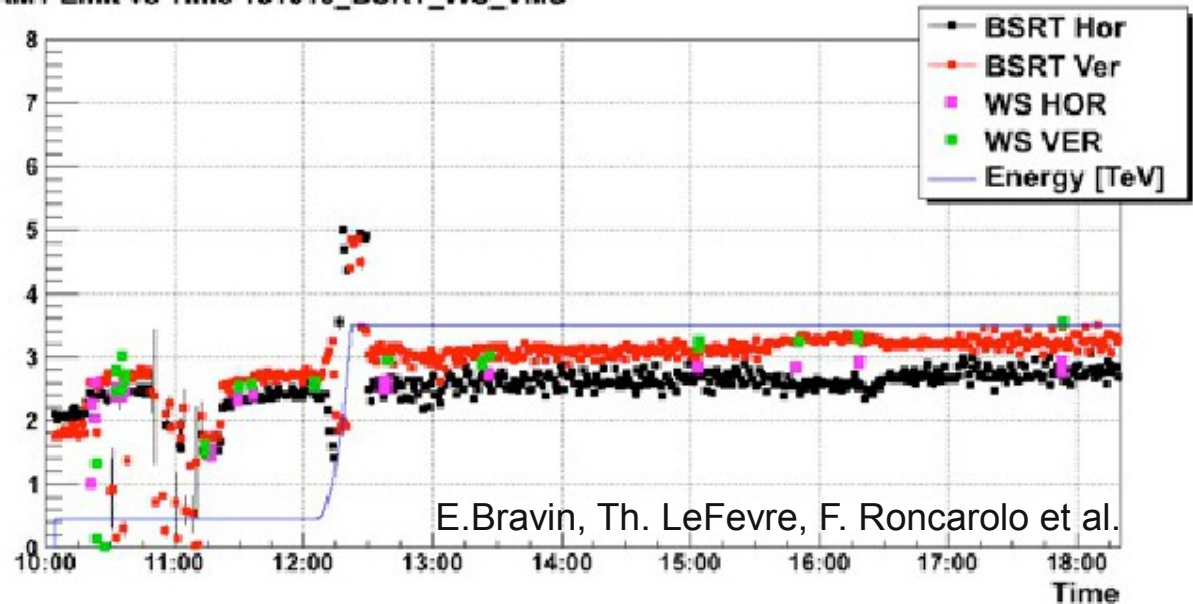
- Excellent performance of the beam instrumentation has largely contributed to the fast progress.



- At the LHC momentum and magnetic fields are sufficiently strong for the protons to emit **visible** light that can be used to image the beams in real-time.

The energy loss per turn is 7 keV at 7 TeV.

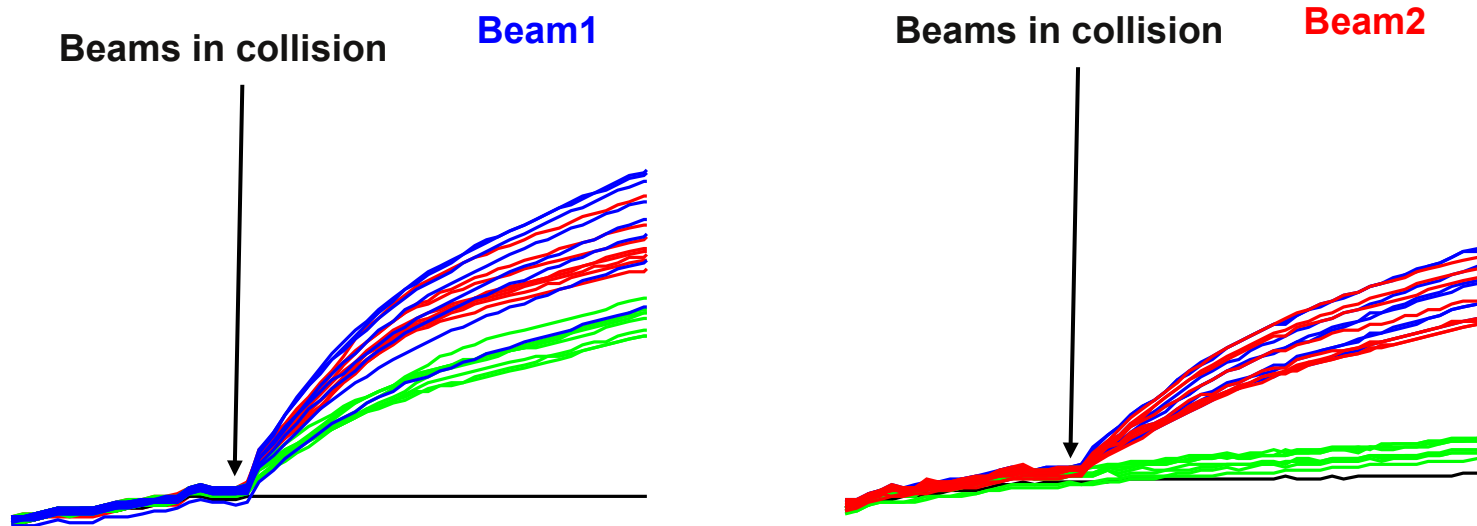
BEAM1 Emit vs Time 151010_BSRT_WS_VMS



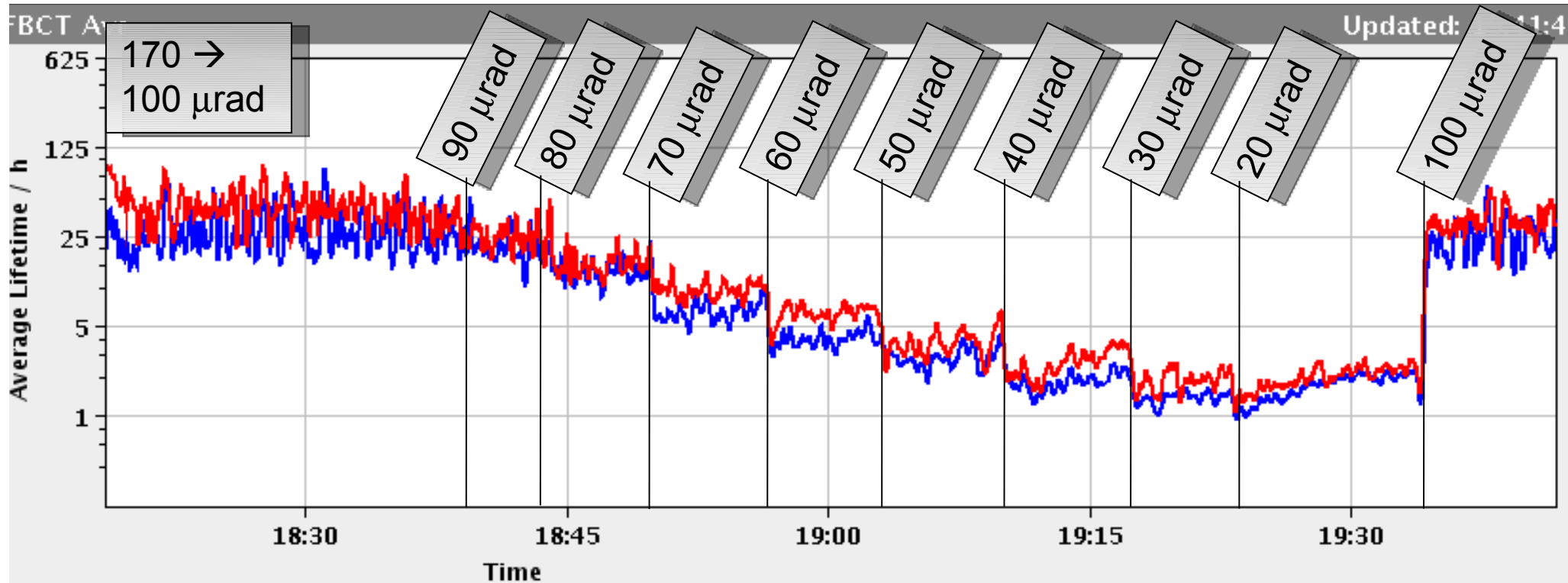
- Effects of the beam-beam force are visible on the lifetime of the various bunches.
 - sensitive to tune working point → cured by tune split and/or transverse damper
 - Lots of numerology

- black witness bunches (zero collisions);
- red bunches colliding in IP 1 5 and 2 (3 collisions);
- blue bunches colliding in IP 1 5 and 8 (3 collisions);
- green bunches colliding in IP 2 and 8 (2 collisions).

Intensity loss (%)



- Test with 3 batches of 8 bunches each, spacing 150 ns at injection
 - up to 6 long range interactions per bunch.



- At injection the minimum crossing angle with 150 ns trains is 100 μrad
 - Using nominal value of 170 μrad to gain experience (aperture not a problem).



Beam current during fill 25/08/2010

Mike Lamont: *“Quite frankly: we’re dreaming...”*

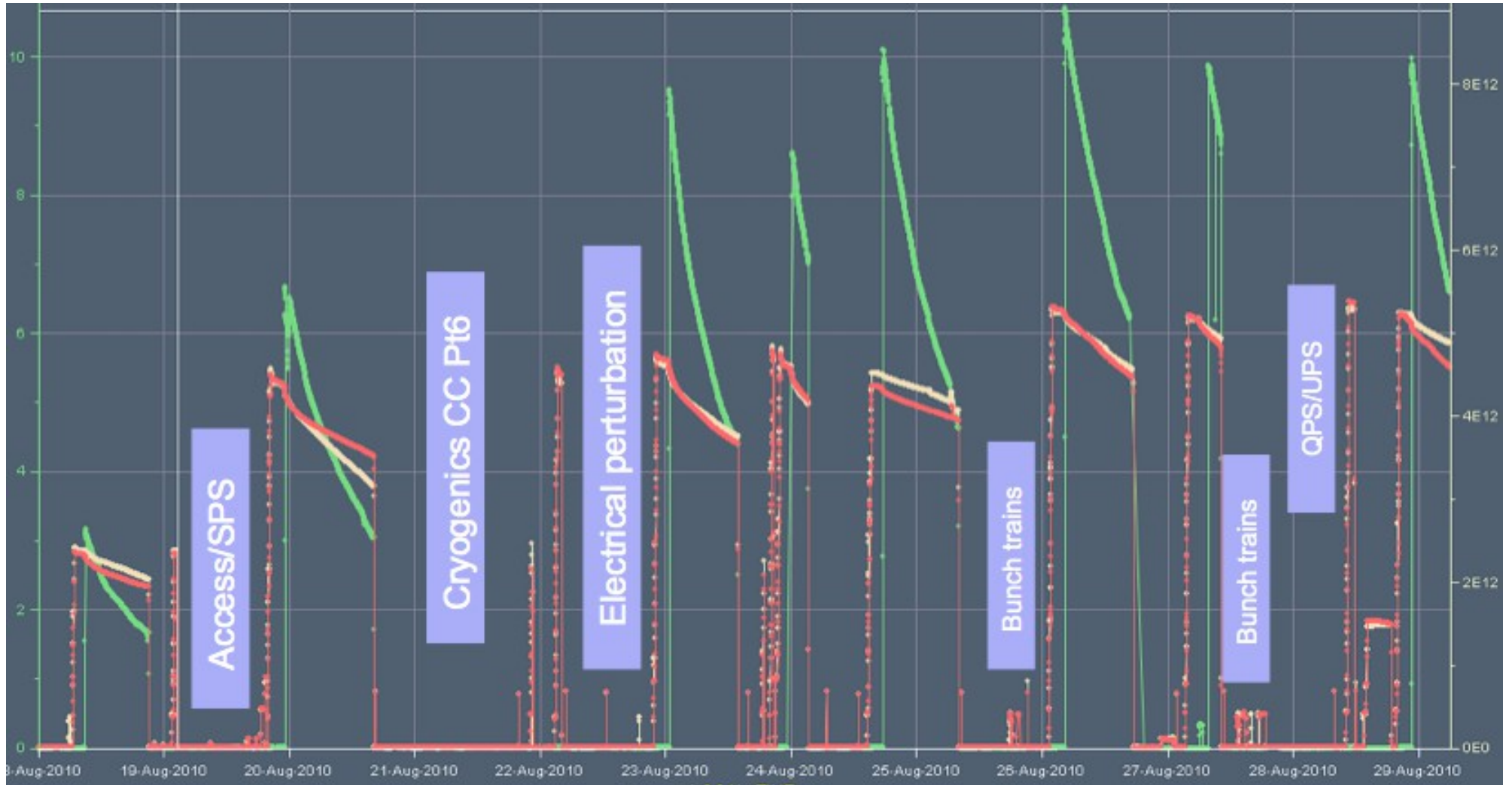
Timeseries Chart between 2010-08-26 01:00:00.000 and 2010-08-26 06:00:00.000 (LOCAL_TIME)



“The price of freedom is eternal vigilance.”



Two weeks in August



25b

← 48b →

← 50b →

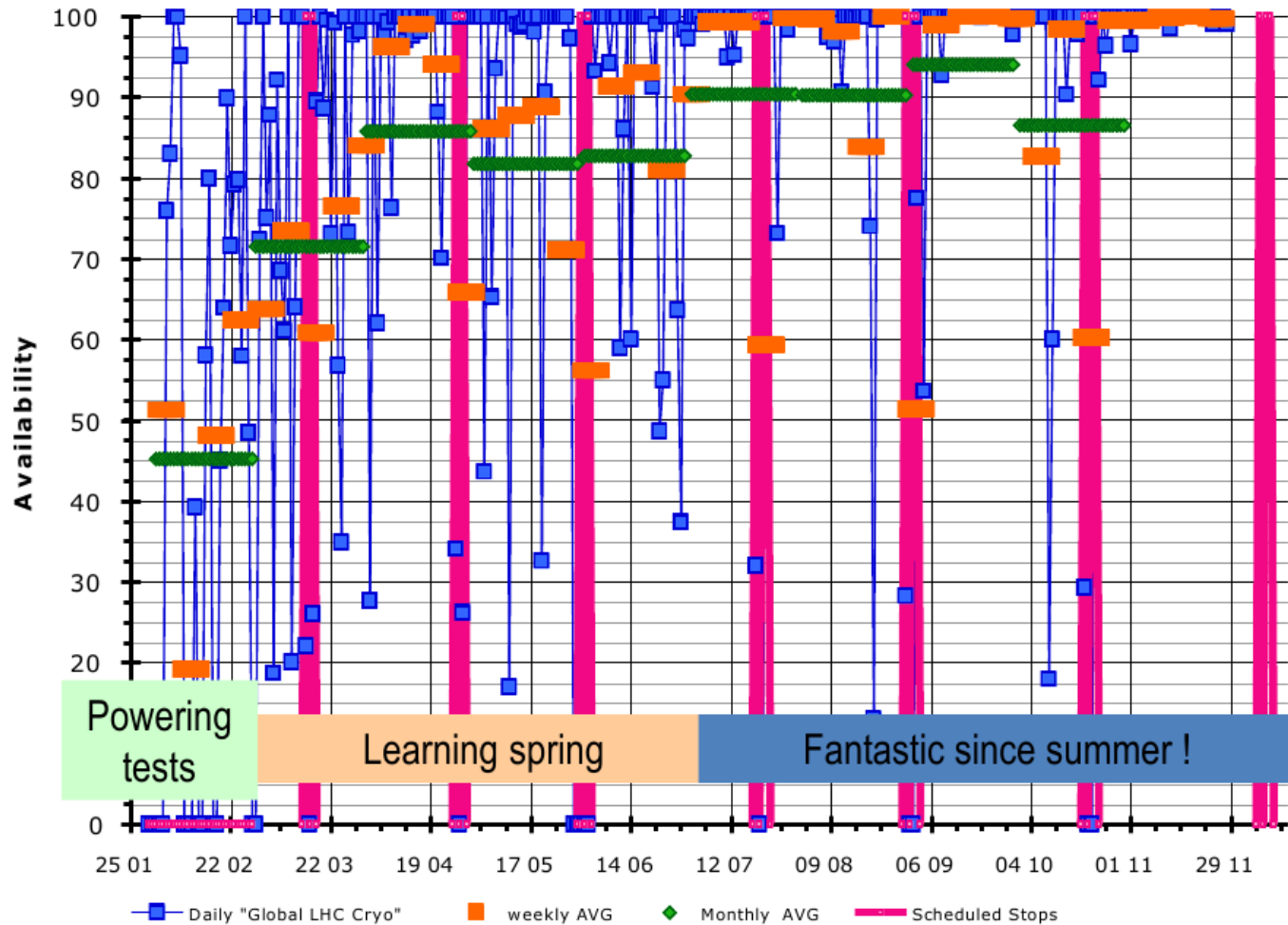


August: Operational Reliability and Routine are starting to settle in....

August	Fill	Bunches	Stable	nb-1	EOF
18	1293	25x25	12h01	93	Programmed dump
19/20	1295	48x48	14h43	238	Programmed dump
22/23	1298	48x48	13h07	280	fast beam loss event Q22.R3.
24	1299	48x48	3h18	87	RD1.R2 trip.
24/25	1301	50x50	14h17	345	EOF studies
26	1303	50x50	13h07	369	fast beam loss event Q25.R5.
27	1305	50x50	3h30	118	EOF studies
28/29	1308	50x50	13h42	335	Programmed dump
29/30	1309	50x50	11h18	312	Programmed dump

Results for 2010 above expectations, thanks as well to periodic technical stops

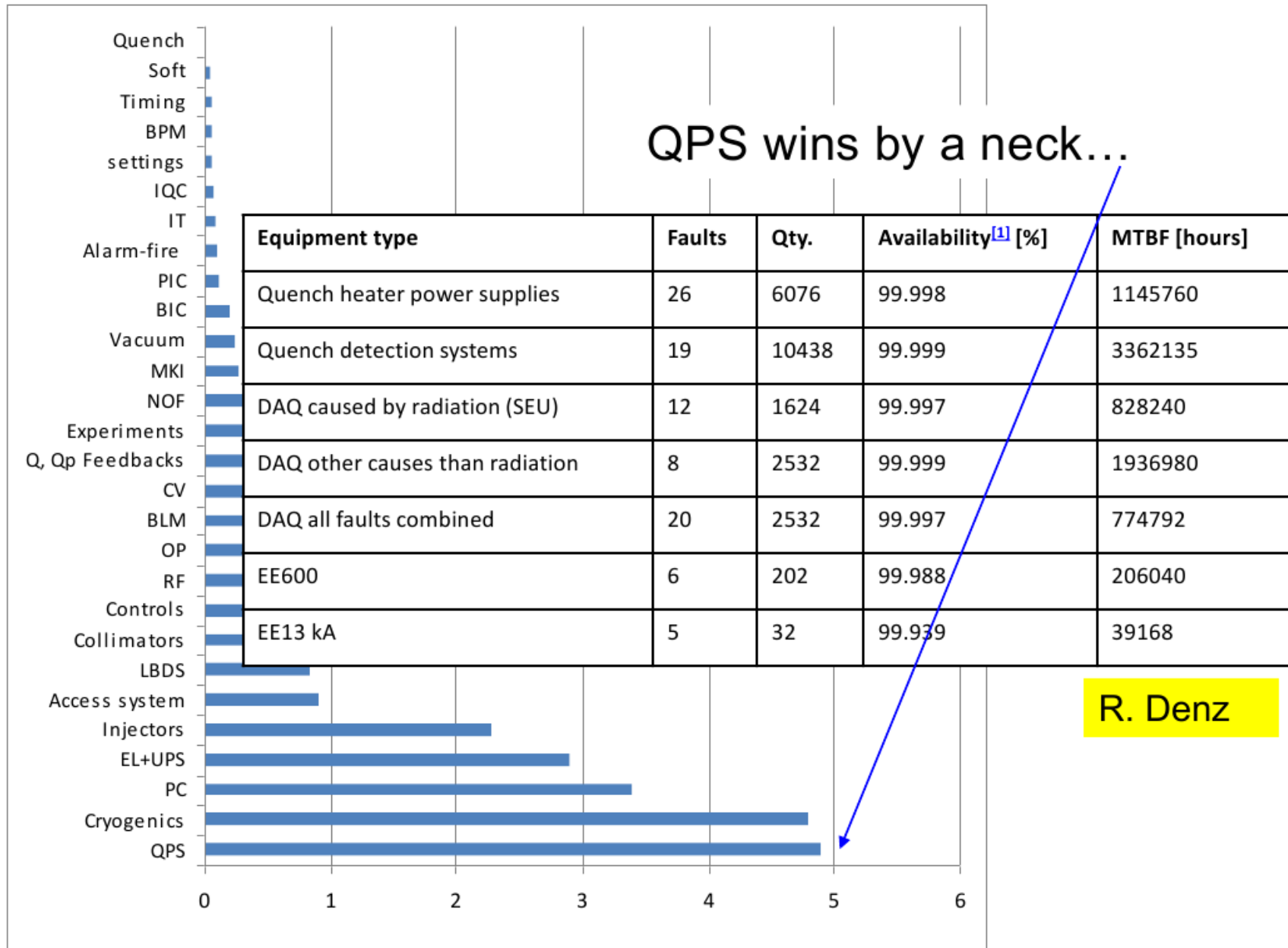
LHC Cryo global availability



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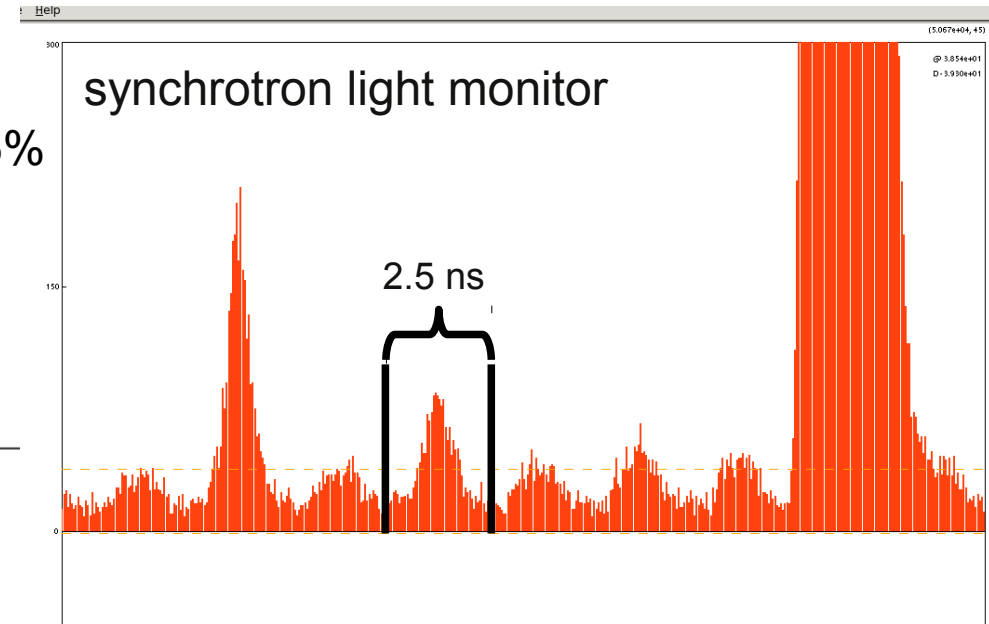
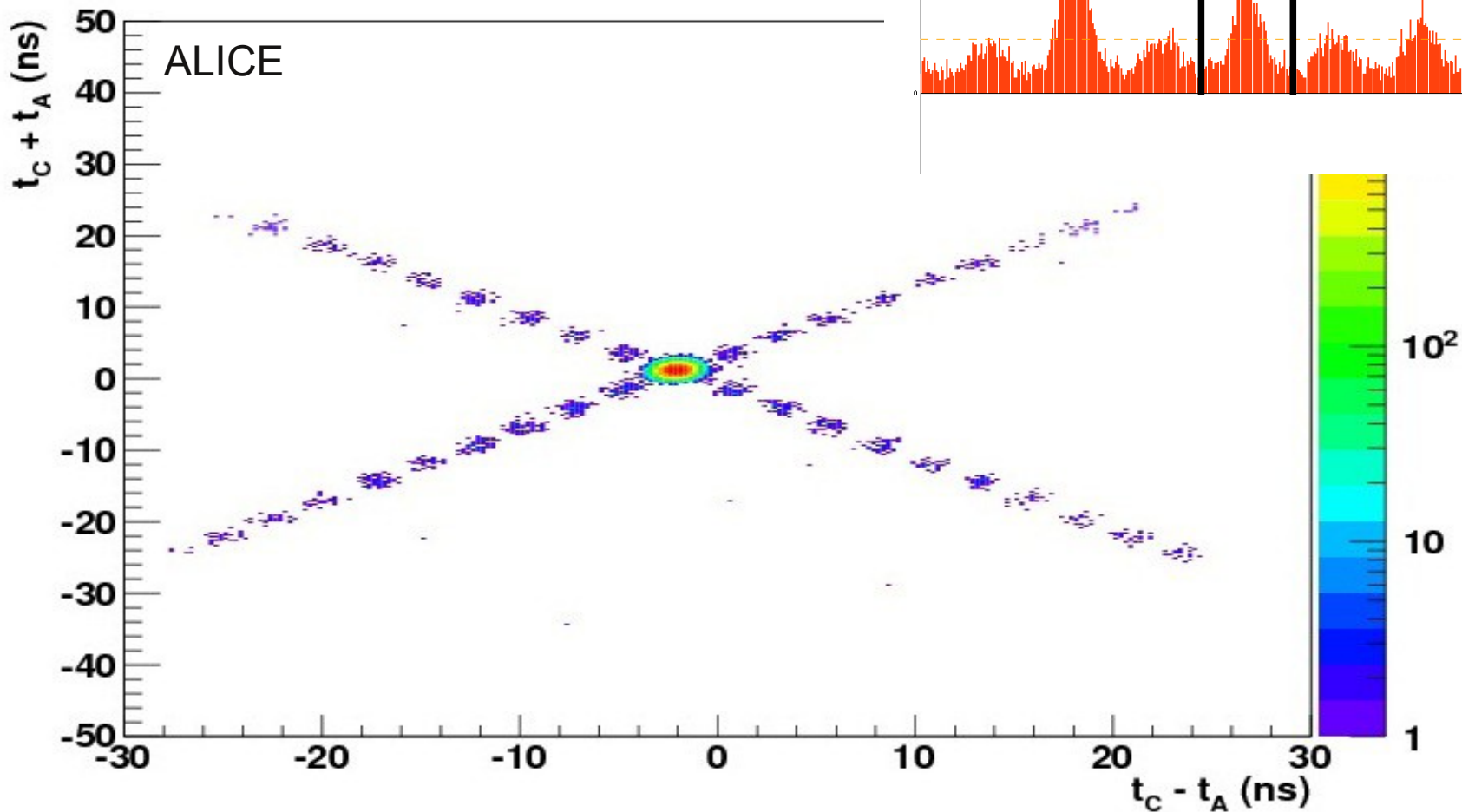
Perturbations: clogging sub-atm circuits-CV891-instrumentation-Shaft seals-VFD/MB-24V

All LHC Faults Downtime Distribution

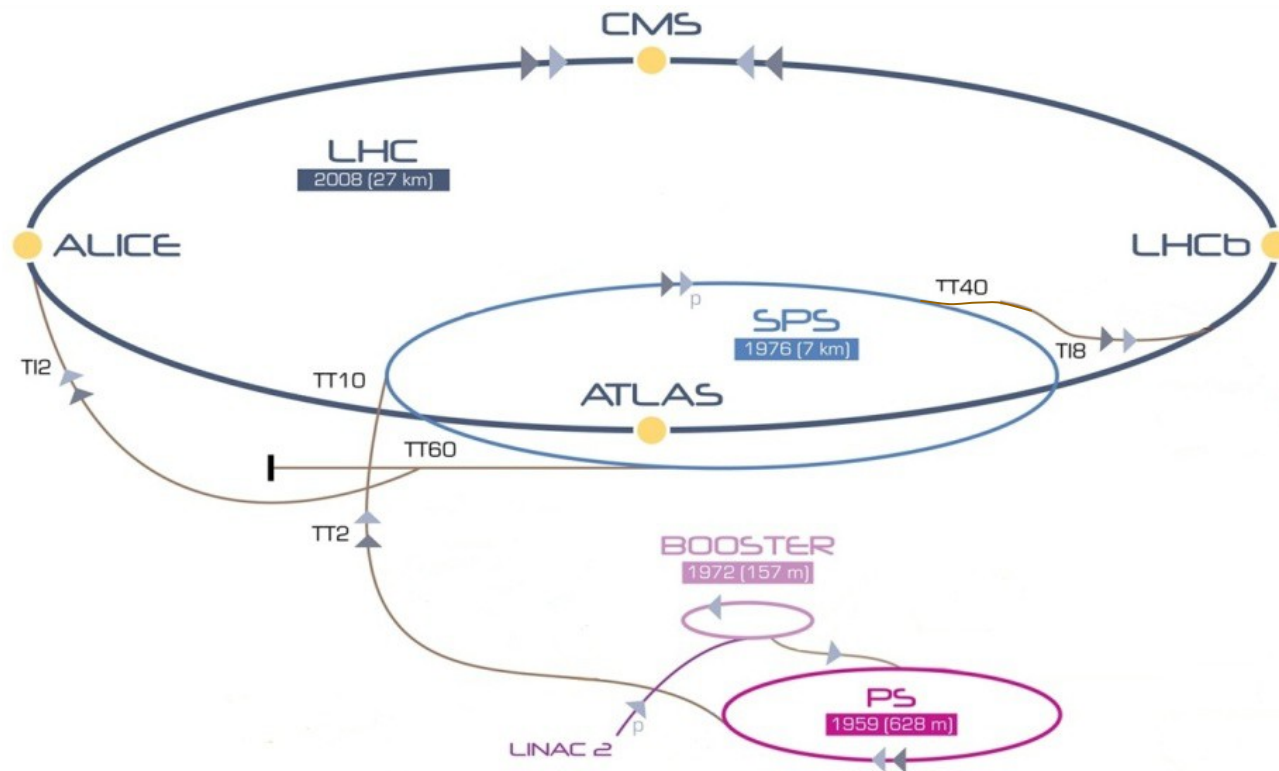


- For the time being a non-issue
 - need to revisit if becomes larger than 5%

TDC sum VS difference, fill 1514



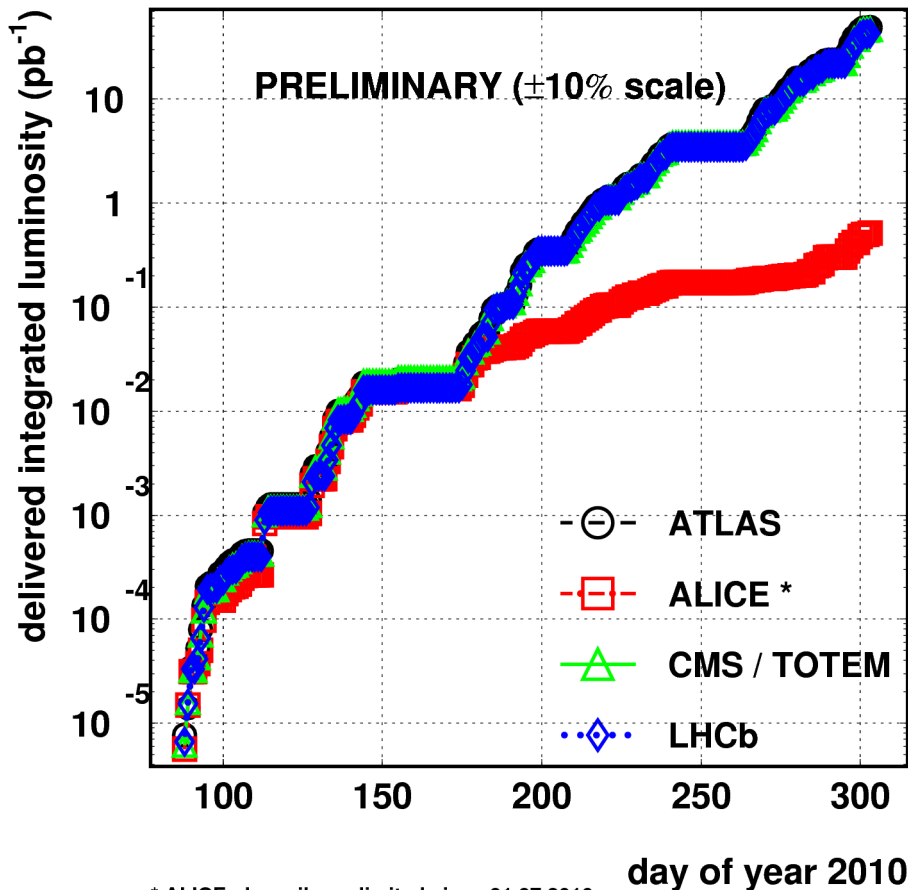
- Injected emittance reduced to less than $1.5 \mu\text{m}$ (nominal $3.5 \mu\text{m}$).
 - Lower for 50, 75 and 150 ns than 25 ns.
 - Impact on beam-beam observed – curable
- Presently we aim to inject beams with emittances of $\sim 2 \mu\text{m}$.
 - routinely start collisions with $\varepsilon \sim 2.5 \mu\text{m}$ (B1 better than B2).
 - Since Luminosity $\sim 1/\text{emittance} \rightarrow \sim 30\%$ gain of luminosity.
- In addition, injector already can already produce above nominal bunch intensities \rightarrow LHC future looks bright



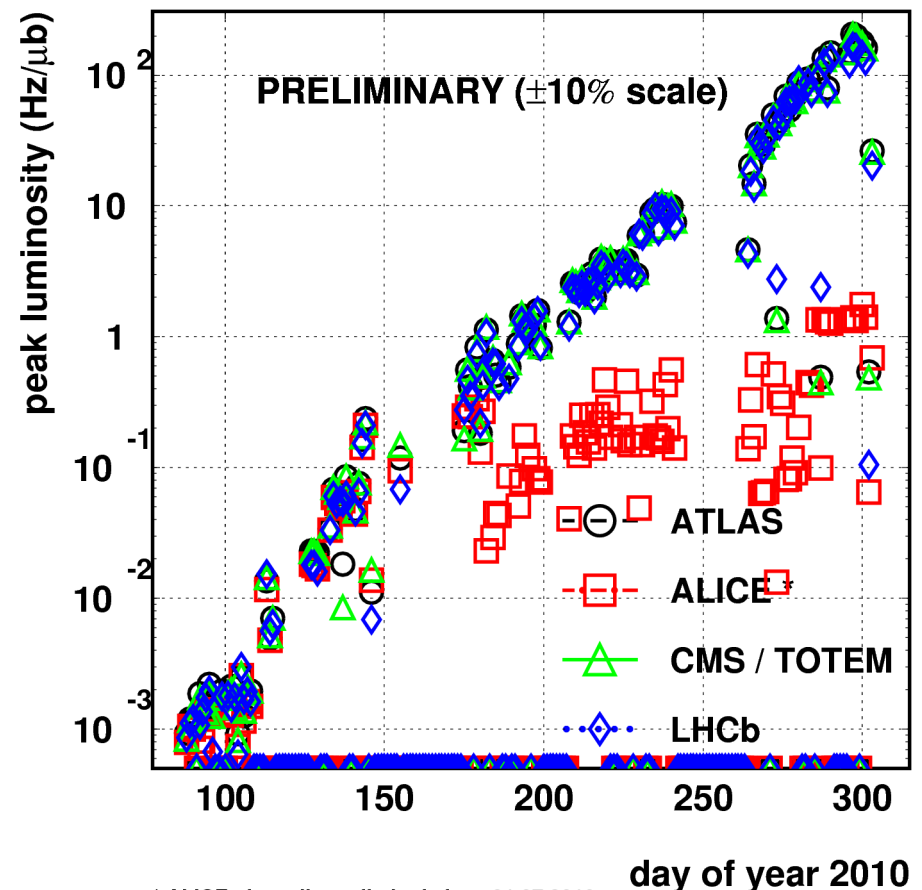
- Integrated delivered proton luminosity $\sim 48 \text{ pb}^{-1}/\text{experiment}$
- Record peak Luminosity of $2 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-2}$

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LHC 2010 RUN (3.5 TeV/beam)



LHC 2010 RUN (3.5 TeV/beam)



Hadron Collider switches to heavy ions, tinfoilers wet pants again

Also: *Reg* hack in large-red-button LHC control room incident

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Particle-punishing boffins at the Large Hadron Collider - the most outrageously powerful matter-rending apparatus and largest machine of any kind assembled by the human race - have switched ammunition. The colossal superconductor massdriver cannons of the LHC are now firing "fully stripped" ultrahypervelocity lead projectiles rather than comparatively insubstantial hydrogen ones.

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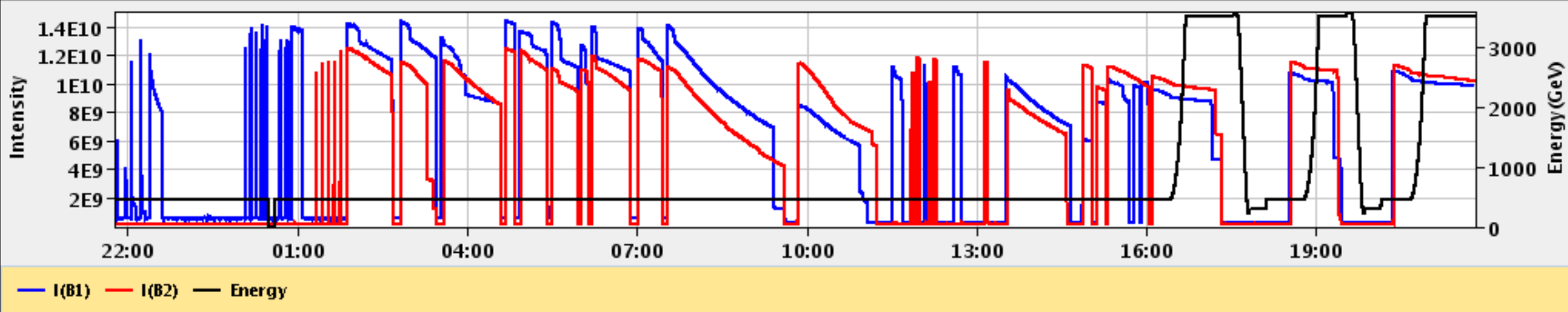
Ion Commissioning: Thursday & Friday

05-Nov-2010 21:48:18 Fill #: 1473 Energy: 3500 Z GeV I(B1): 9.86e+09 I(B2): 1.02e+10

	ATLAS	ALICE	CMS	LHCb
Experiment Status	STANDBY	STANDBY	STANDBY	STANDBY
Instantaneous Lumi (ub.s) ⁻¹	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
BRAN Luminosity (ub.s) ⁻¹	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Inst Lumi/CollRate Parameter	1.00e+00		0.00e+00	
BKGD 1	0.002	0.244	0.000	0.122
BKGD 2	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.407
BKGD 3	0.000	1.628	0.098	0.044

LHCb VELO Position **OUT** Gap: 58.0 mm **SQUEEZE** TOTEM: **STANDBY**

Performance over the last 24 Hrs Updated: 21:48:16



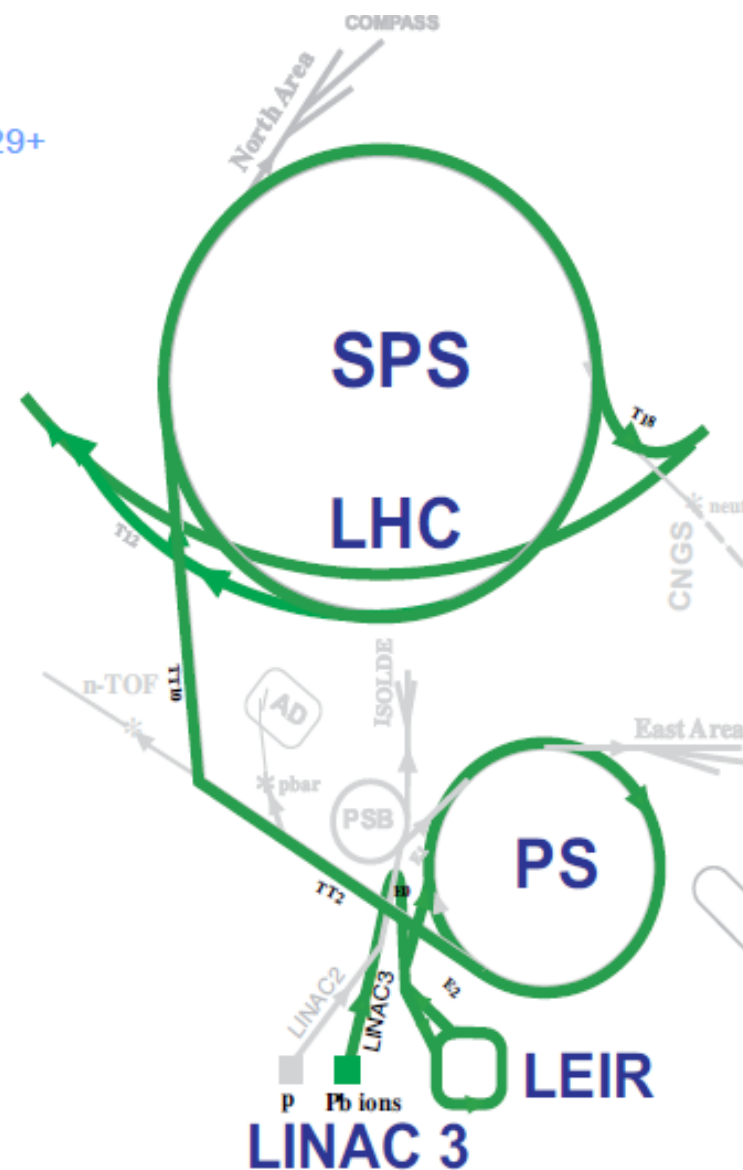
Beam 1 Inj.,
Circ.
& Capture

Beam 2 Inj.,
Circ.
& Capture

Optics Checks
BI Checks
Collimation Checks

First Ramp
Collimation Checks
Squeeze

- ECR ion source (2005)
 - Provide highest possible intensity of Pb^{29+}
- RFQ + Linac 3
 - Adapt to LEIR injection energy
 - strip to Pb^{54+}
- LEIR (2005)
 - Accumulate and cool Linac 3 beam
 - Prepare bunch structure for PS
- PS (2006)
 - Define LHC bunch structure
 - Strip to Pb^{82+}
- SPS (2007)
 - Define filling scheme

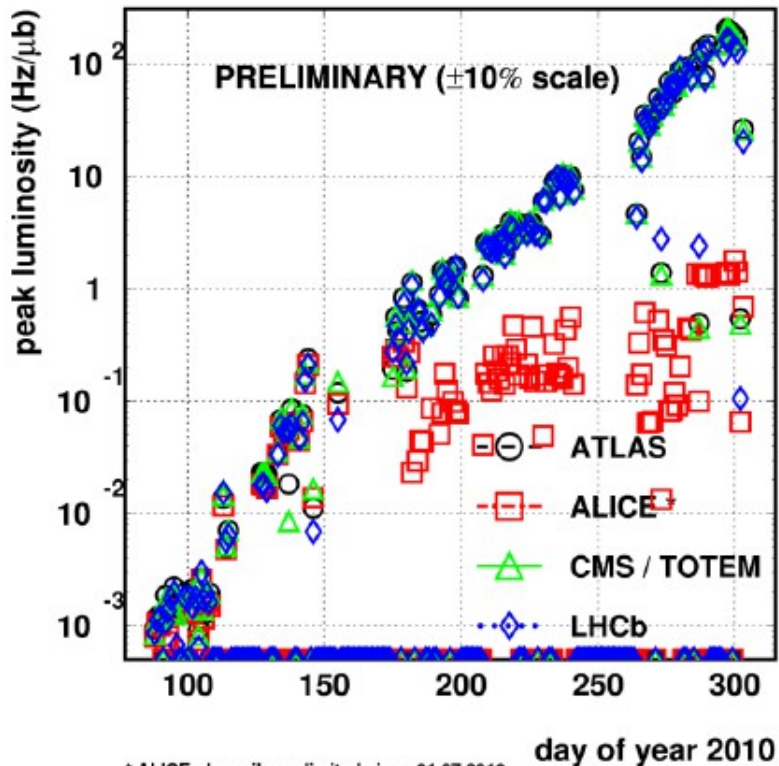


→ achieved 70% more than nominal bunch intensities!!

- LHC Mode change: Large **Hadron Collider** → **Large Hadron Collider**
- Hours spent in stable beams in 2010:
 - 851 hours of protons out of 7 months, 1 apr - 31 oct
 - 223 hours of ions out of 1 month , 8 nov - 6 dec

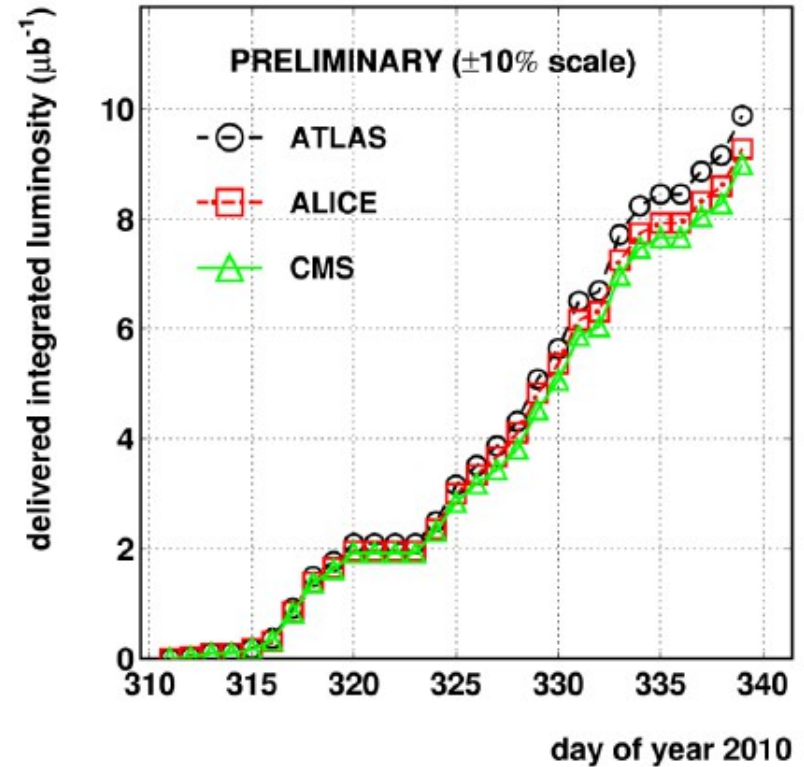
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LHC 2010 RUN (3.5 TeV/beam)



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LHC 2010 HI RUN (3.5 Z TeV/beam)



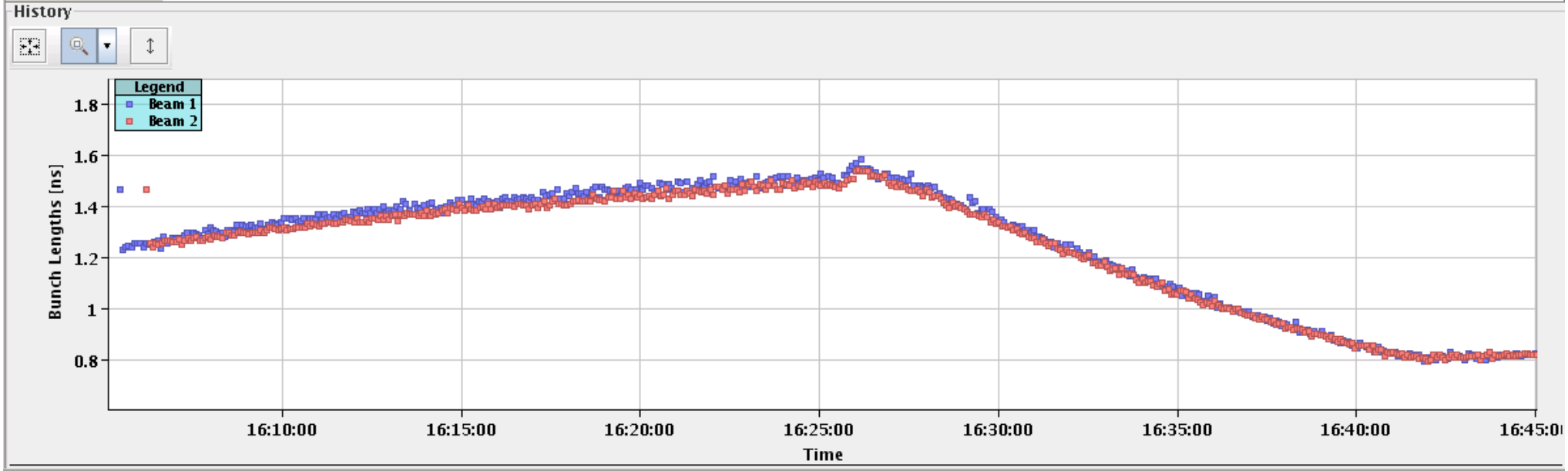
* ALICE : low pile-up limited since 01.07.2010

Friday afternoon: first ramp – no losses



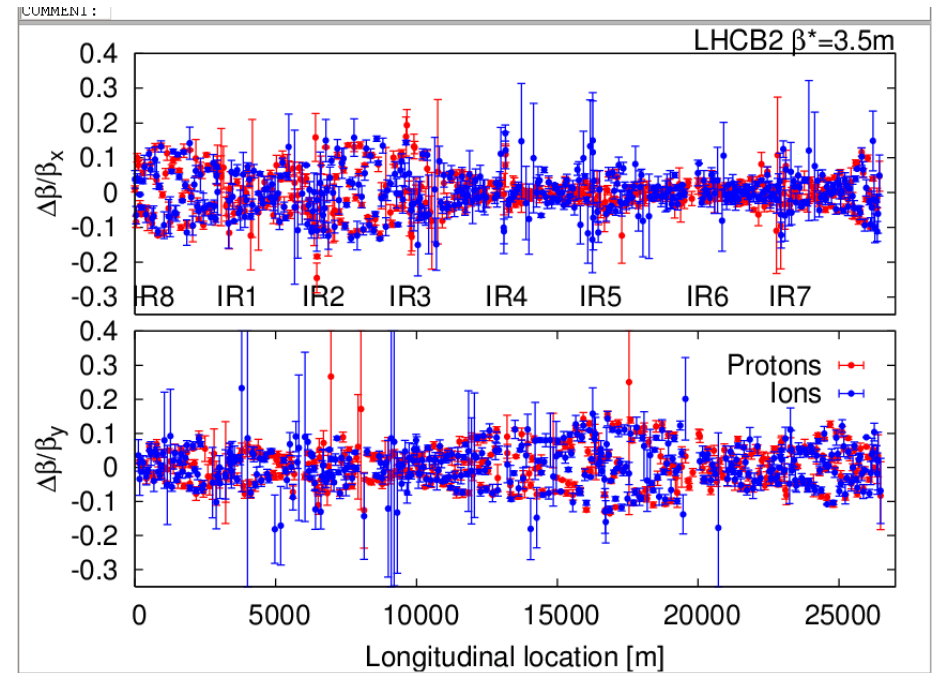
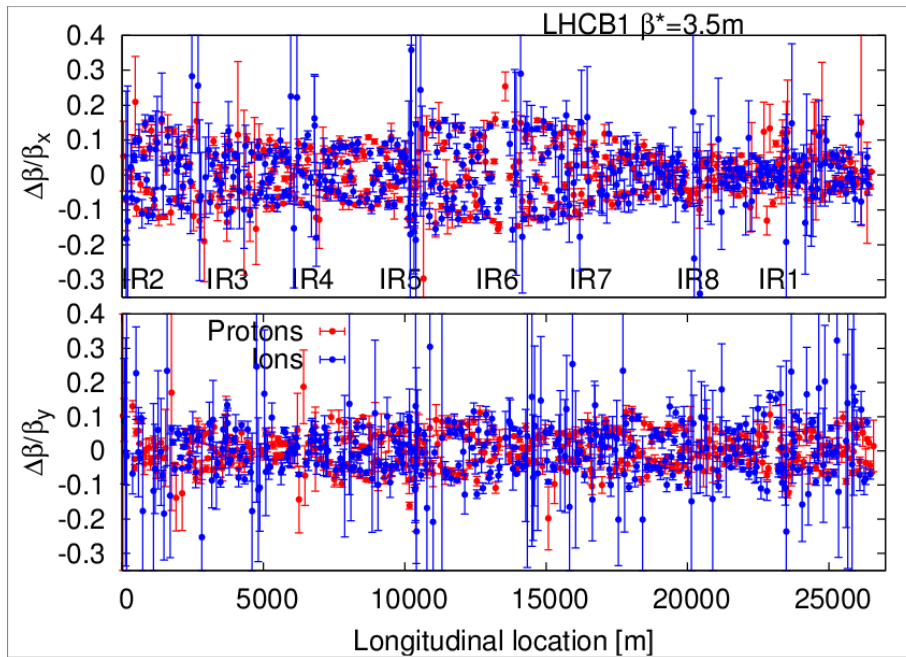
World first: observation of synchrotron light from nuclei

Appears around 0.55 Z TeV (later if filtered)



Bunch length increasing at injection (IBS), down during the ramp, increasing again at 3.5 TeV (IBS)

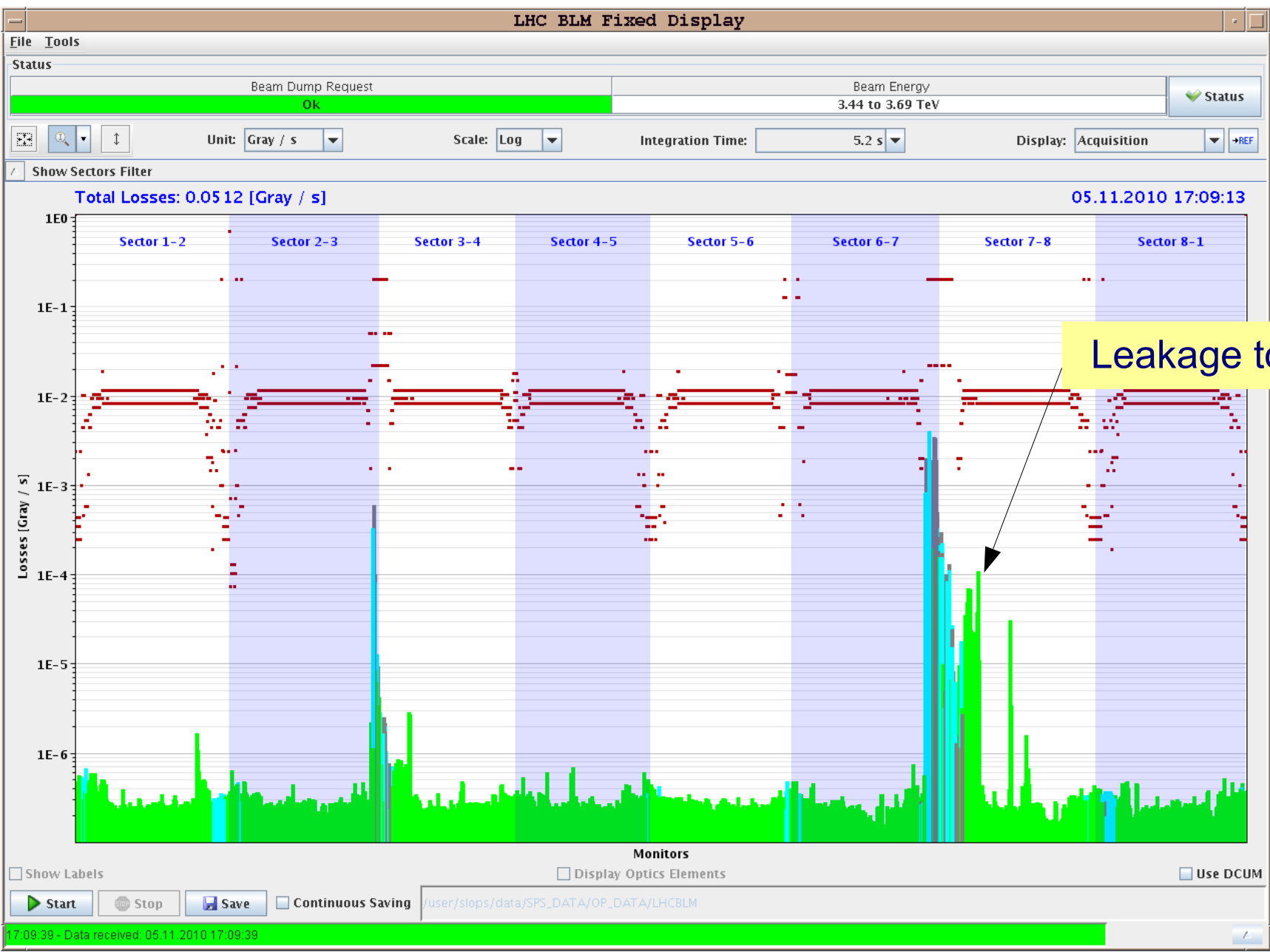
- Very similar to protons



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Betatron Loss Maps with Ions – 450 GeV



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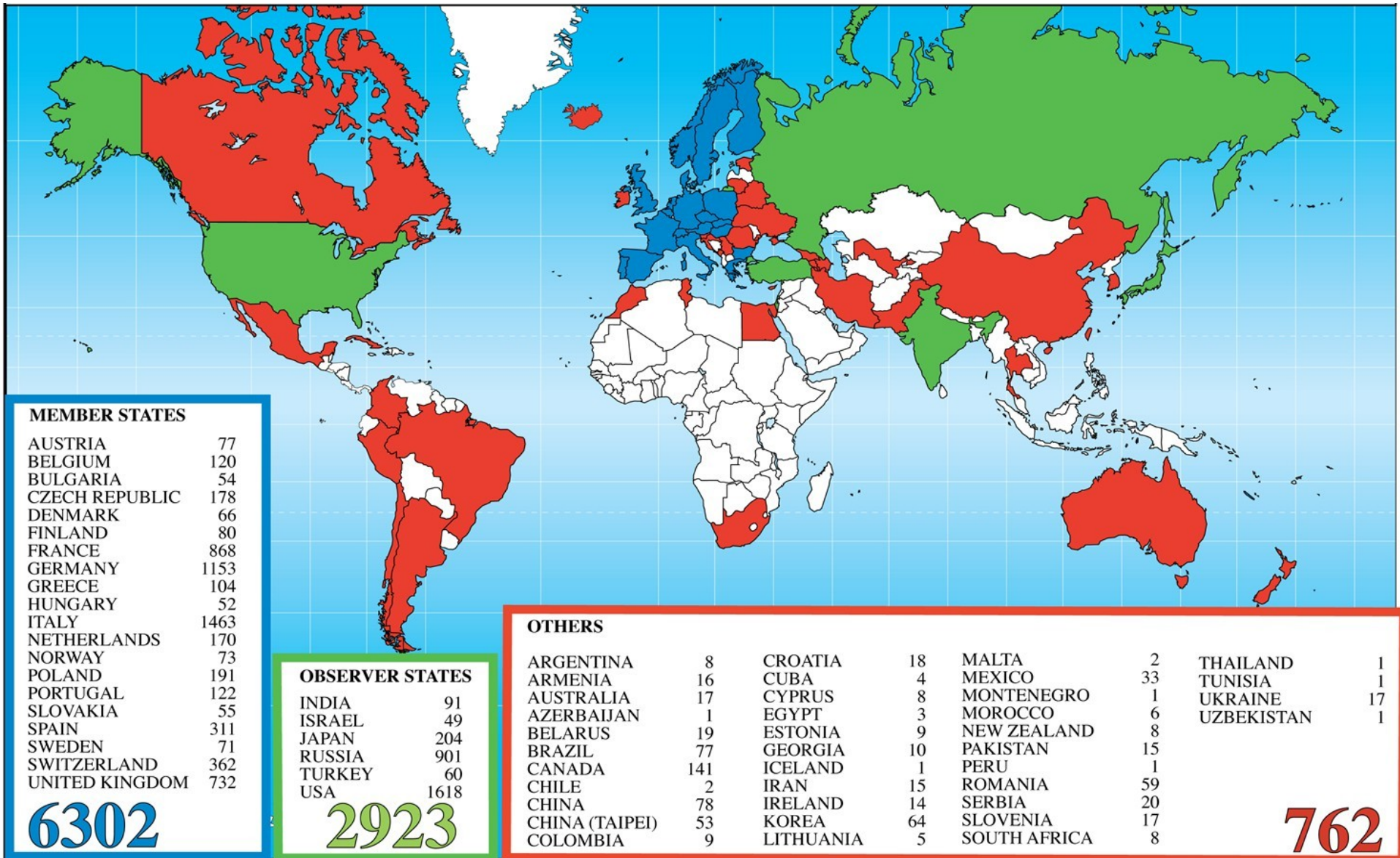
- Very swift commissioning period leveraging proton set-up to the maximum.
 - pushing though 2 – 17 – 69 toward 120 bunches per beam
 - Peak luminosity around $6 \times 10^{24} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ with 69 bunches
- Injectors are giving us 70% beyond design single-bunch intensity, some consequences...
 - Significant IBS growth and de-bunching at injection, seems to be in reasonable agreement with theory
- Emittance blow-up in physics is not too bad, but mostly not IBS
- Collimation of heavy ions is complicated
 - Simulations roughly right but do not show all details – need considerable effort for refinement ... and counter-measures in future

Courtesy John Jowett



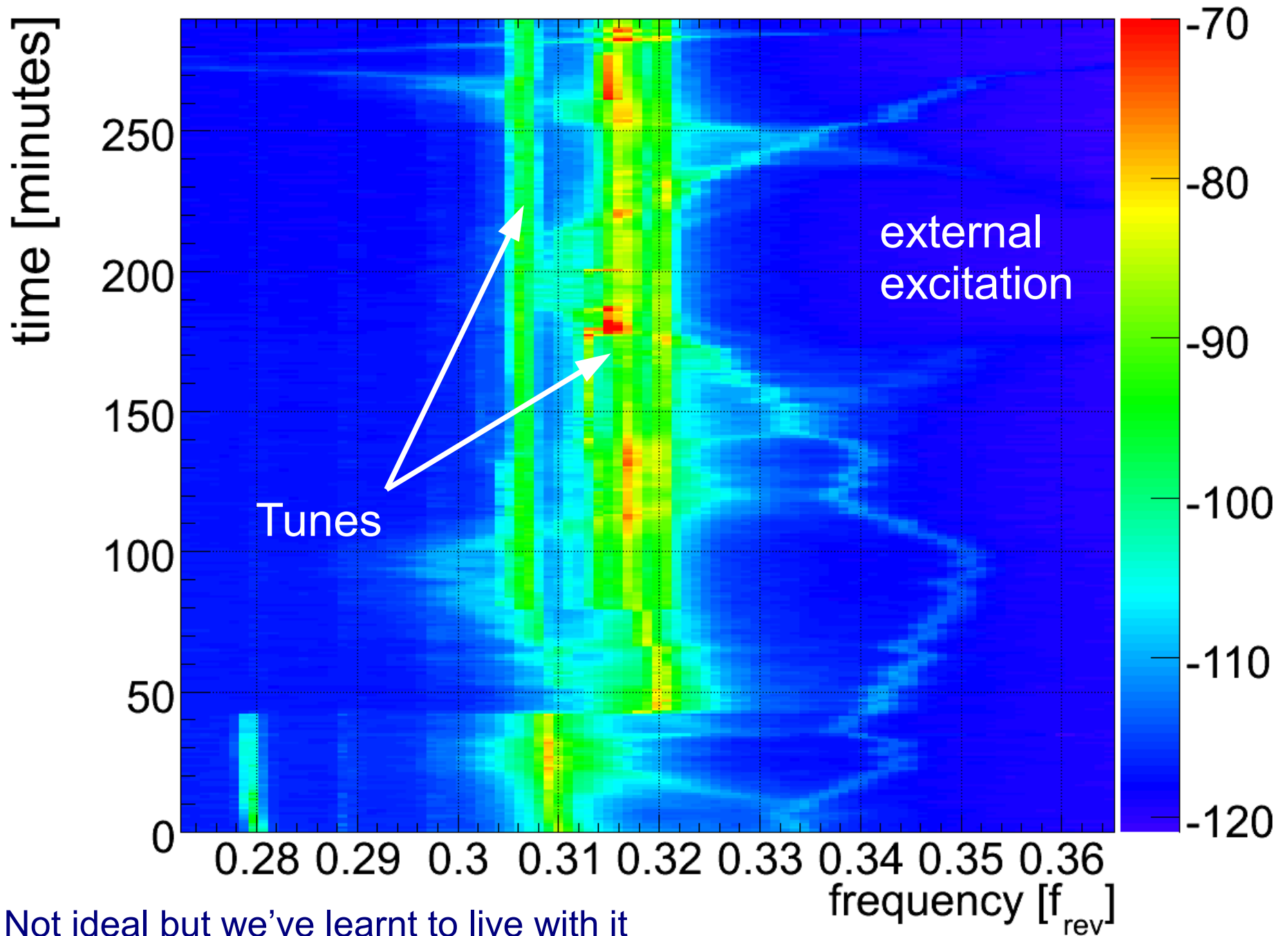
CERN grew beyond it's original Mission...

- LHC's success was not an accident, but a result of a combined, high-quality, and meticulous preparation prior to and after the 10th of September. It did not jump out of the ground but has a fine pedigree all across the world...



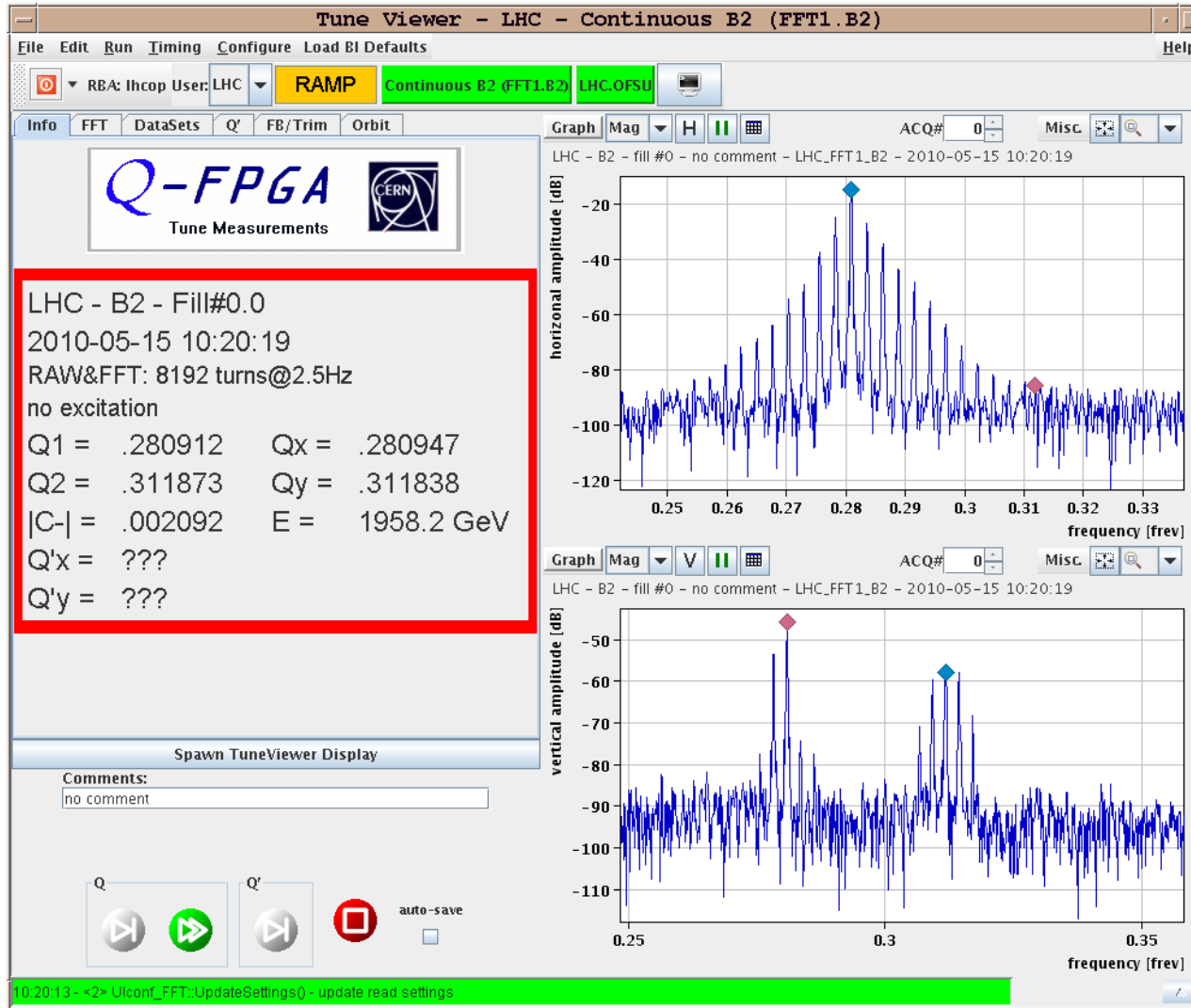
- LHC commissioning was not without any faults and problems
- Most of the problems were addressed at a fast pace
- Some need some revisiting next year

- Following slides contain some assorted examples



Not ideal but we've learnt to live with it

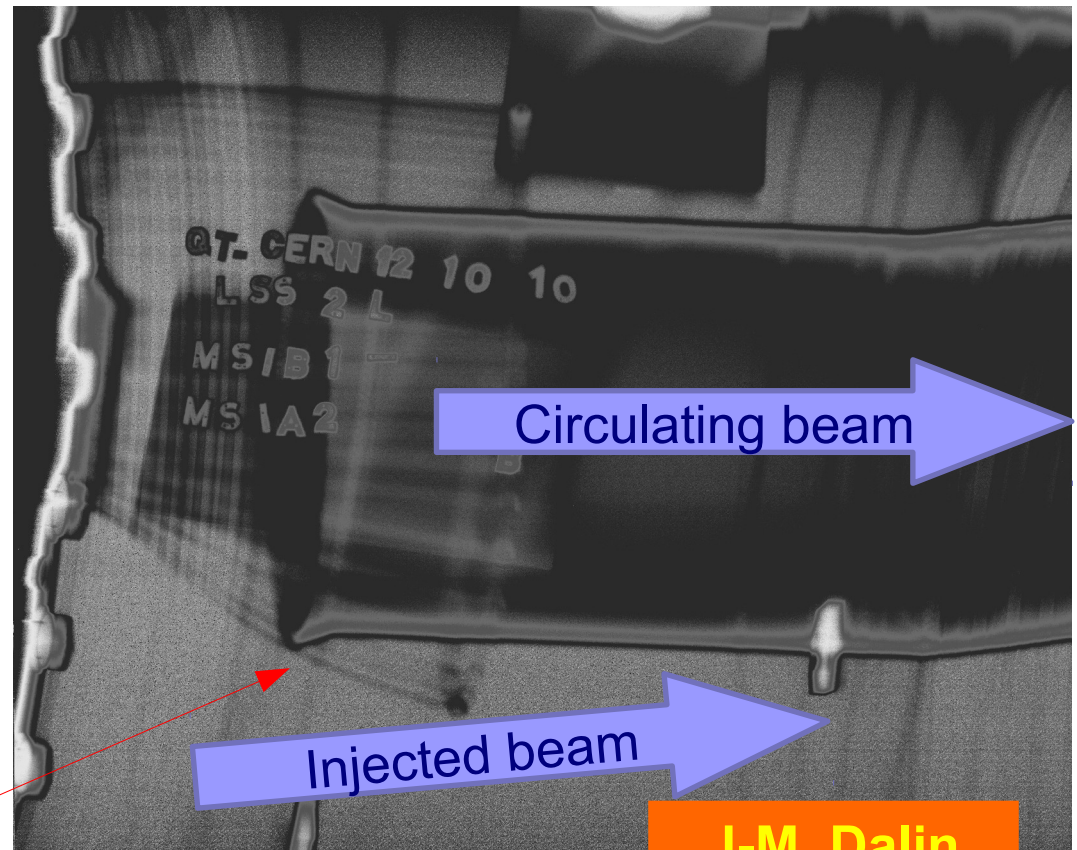
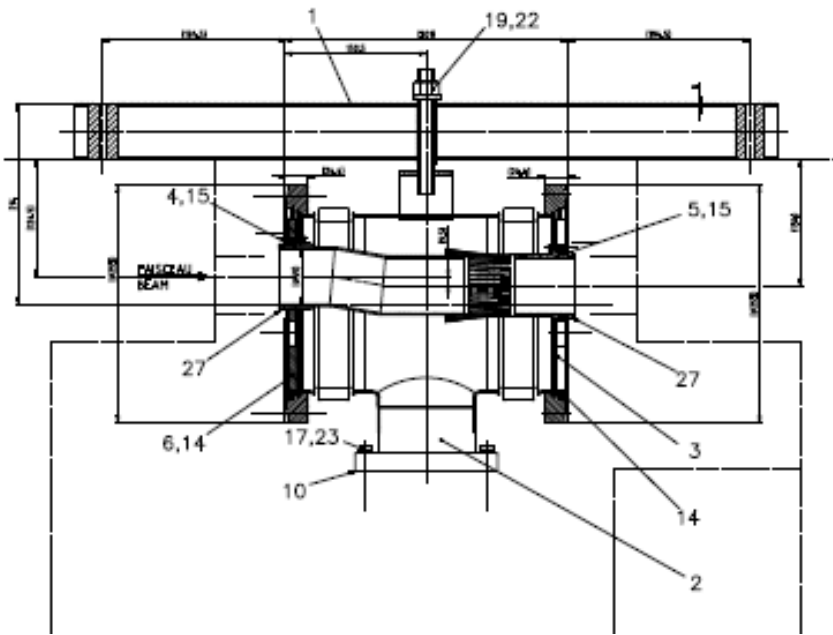
- Impedance measurement in agreement with estimates (dominated by collimators)
- What happened when we got ultra-short bunches for the first time:



- Not an issue: easily cured by Landau Damping (non-linear field ↔ Octupoles)

Injection Septa Interconnection Repair

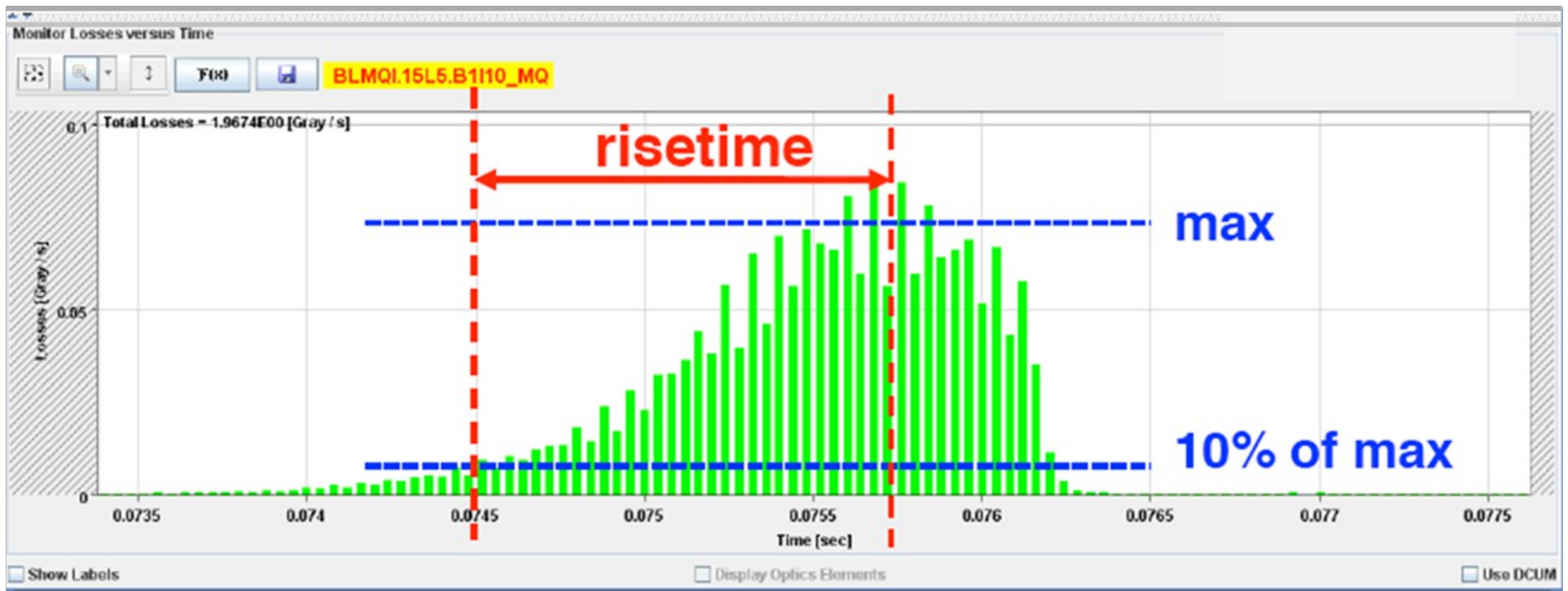
- Injection is becoming more critical:
 - Injected beams have now some damage potential.
 - Losses at injection collimators become more critical
- Radiation survey and X-ray showed aperture restriction at the transition between the injection septa due to a non-conformity in the mounting of the interconnection



RF fingers

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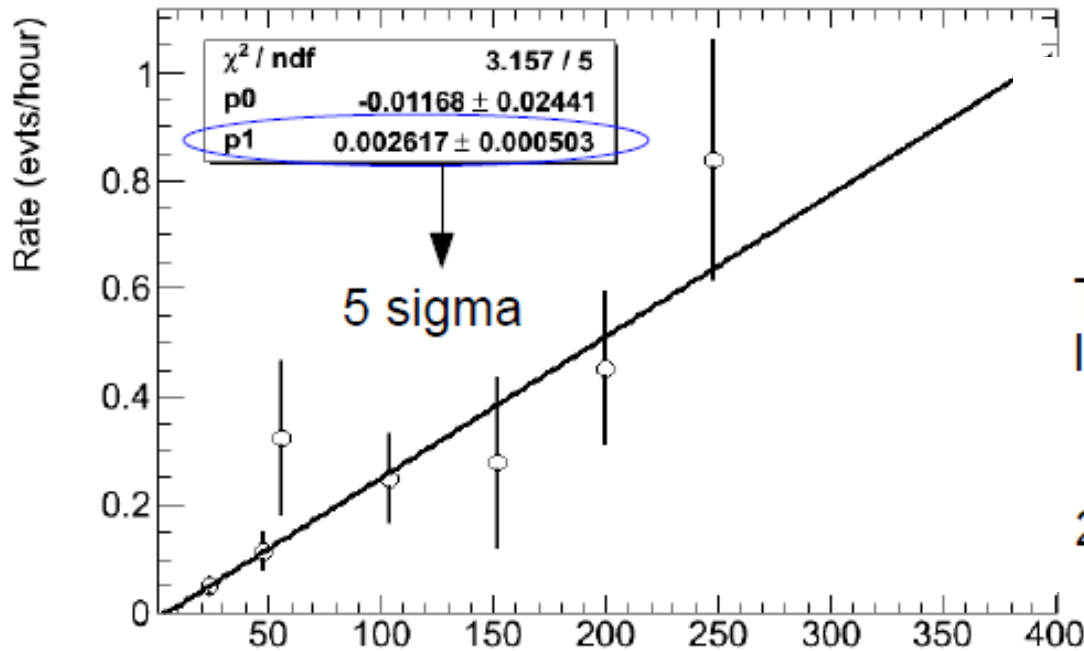
- **Sudden local losses** have been recorded.
No quench, but preventive dumps (raised level).
 - Rise time partly < 1 ms.
 - Pot explanation: dust particles falling into beam \rightarrow thus 'UFO'
 - However: seen these only at 3.5 TeV and never at 450 GeV



UFO: intensity dependence

Beam loss monitor thresholds have been raised at the appropriate timescales

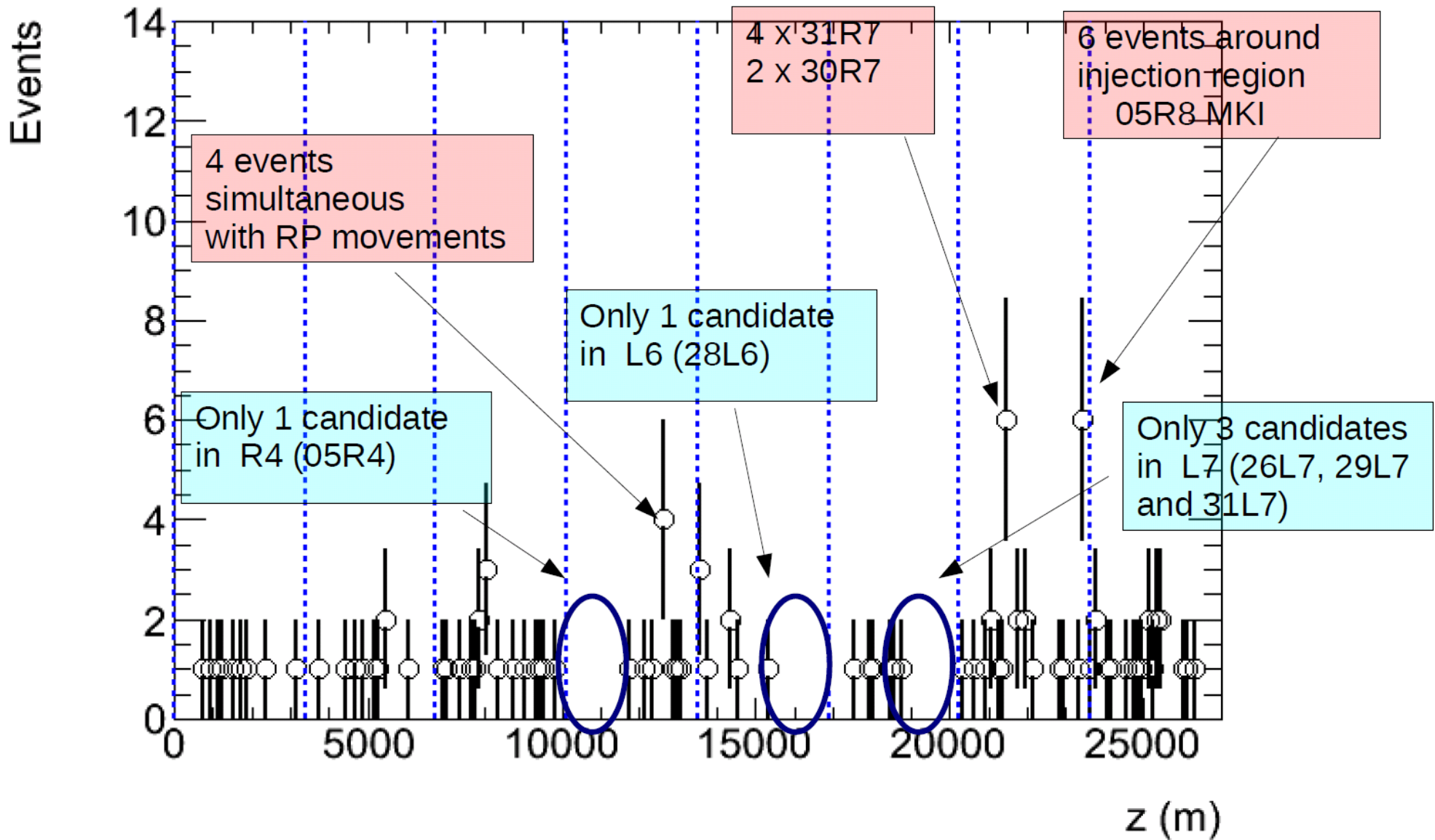
Logging data mined for events not above threshold



“UFO” Rate

The UFO rate seems to increase linearly with intensity:

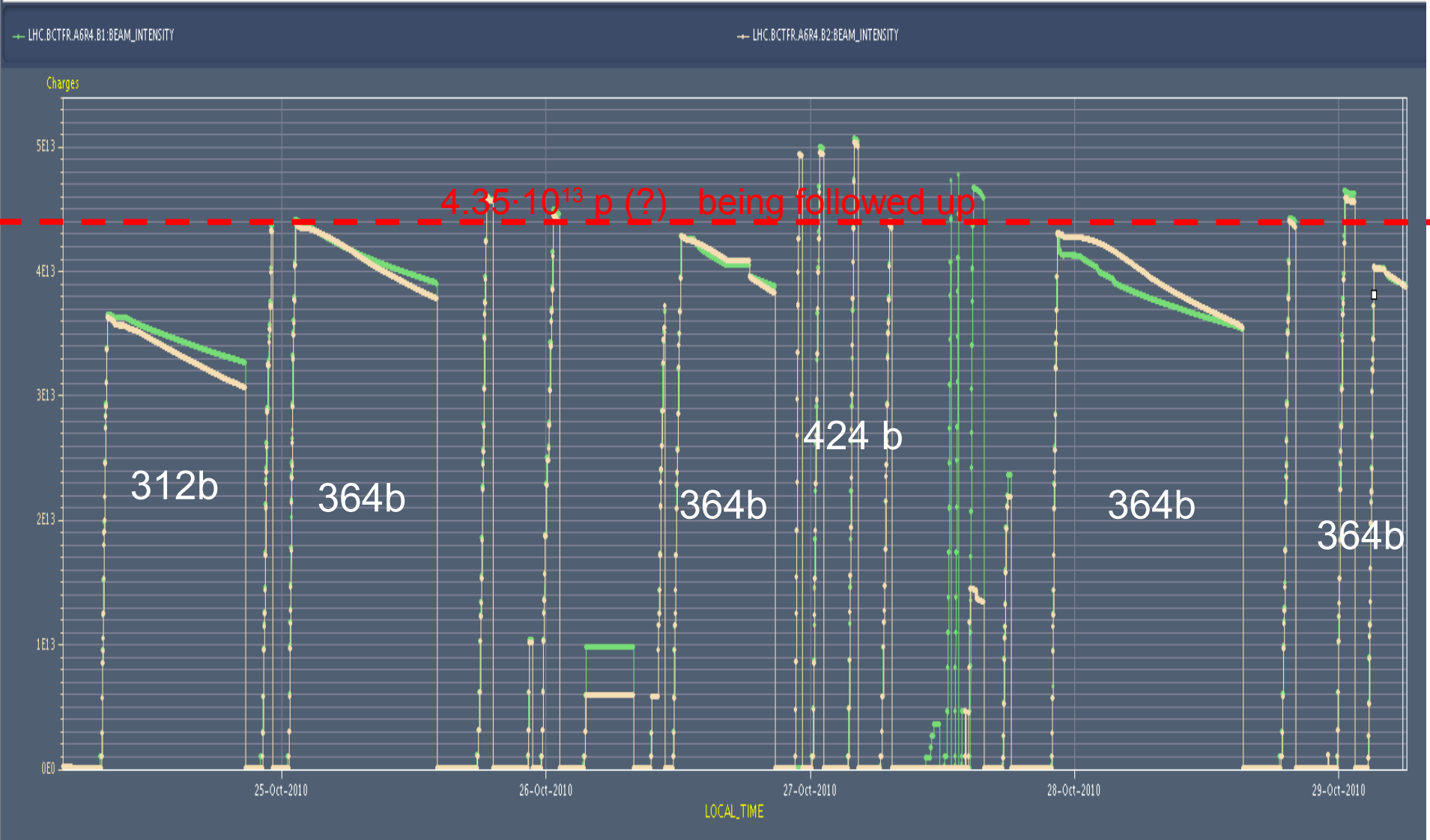
Extrapolating
2000 Bunches => ~ 5.2 evts/hour





Intensity Reach 150 ns

Timeseries Chart between 2010-10-24 04:07:40.000 and 2010-10-29 06:07:40.000 (LOCAL_TIME) Timescaled with REPEAT every 3 SECOND



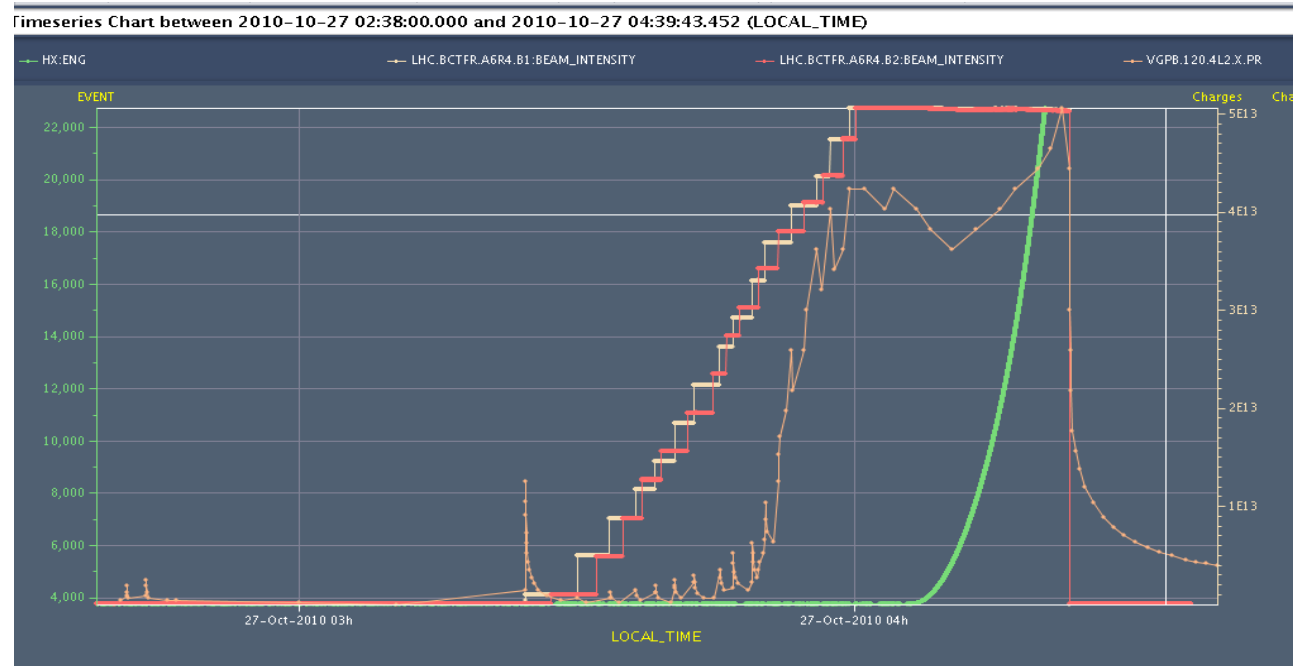
Stored energy reached at 3.5 TeV:

28.0 MJ

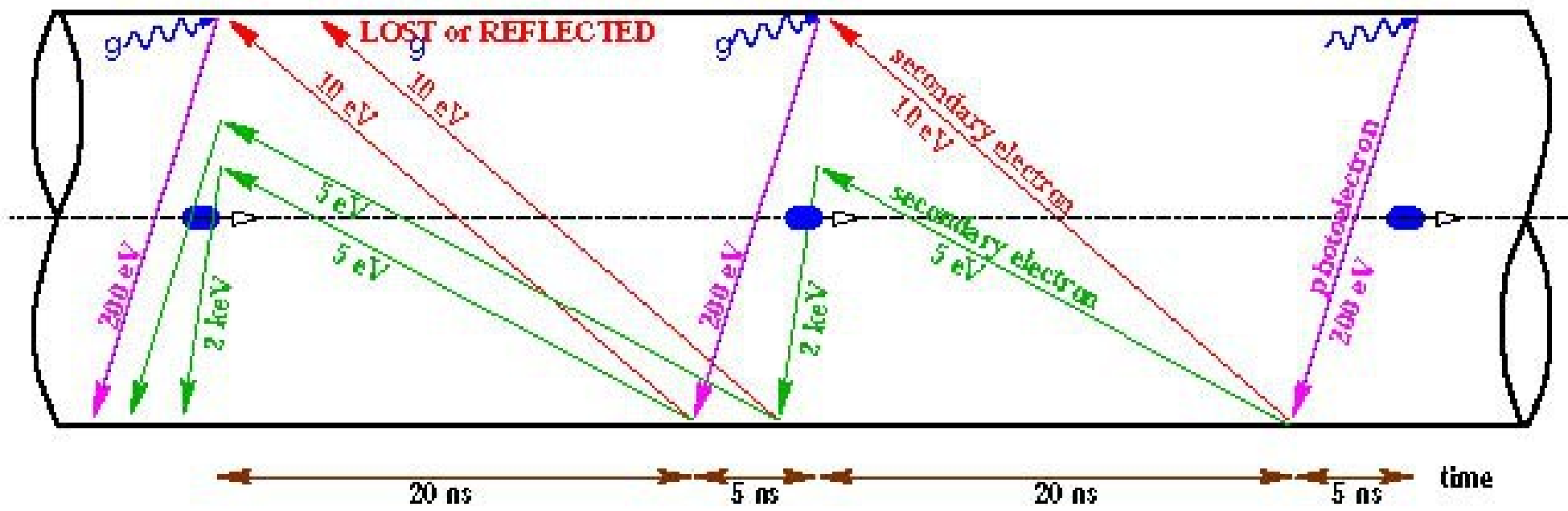
Stored energy at 3.5 TeV in stable beams:

24.4 MJ

- Pressure rise seen in common beam pipe regions
- Particularly unbaked warm-cold transitions
- Two effects:
 - electron cloud driven by closely space passage of b1 and b2 bunches
 - synchrotron radiation induced desorption
- Region +/- 58 m of IP1 equipped with solenoids
 - worked well – classic cure for electron cloud
- Cleaning observed

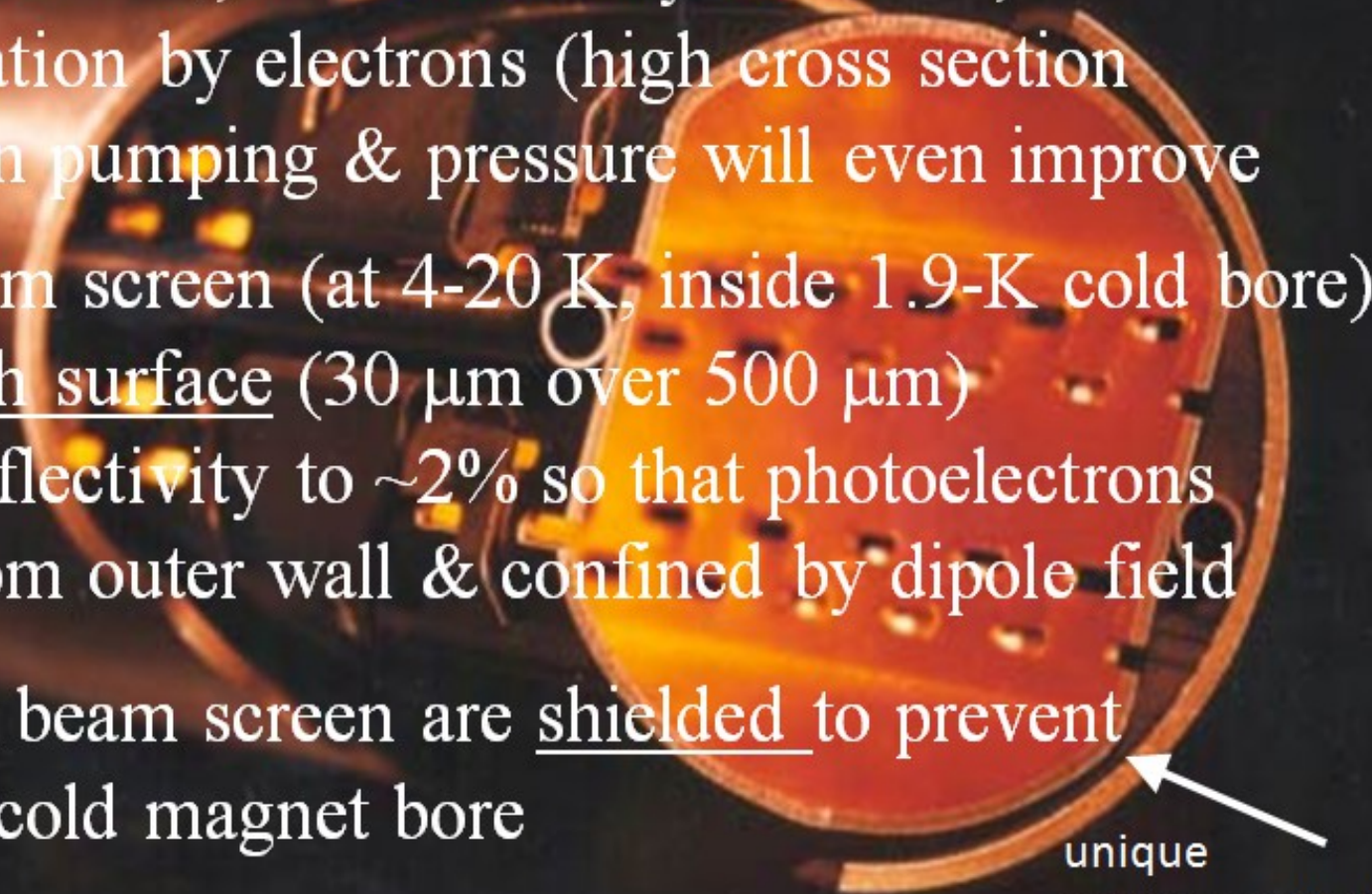


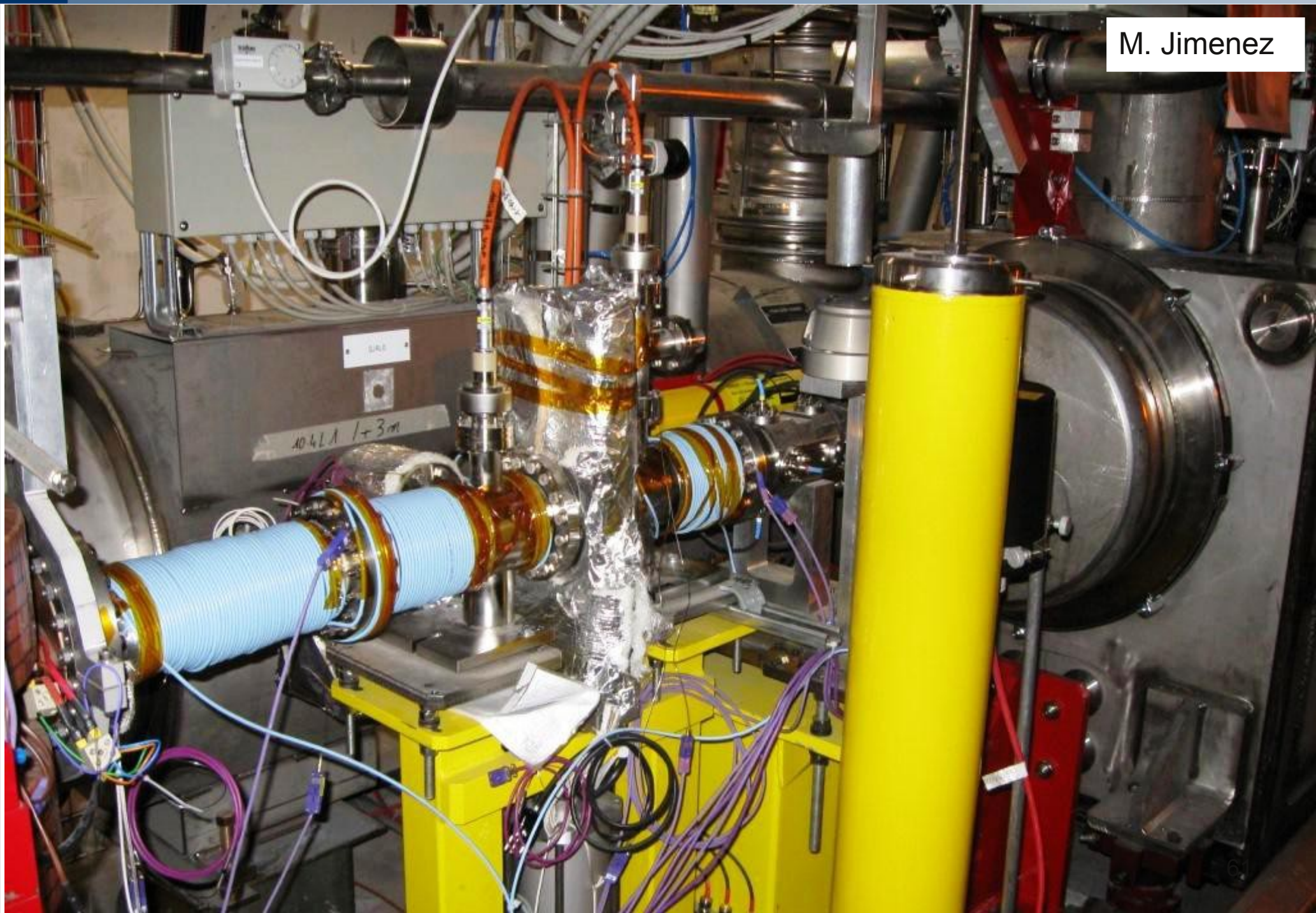
Schematic of e-Cloud Build up in LHC Arc Beam Pipe, due to Photoemission and secondary Emission



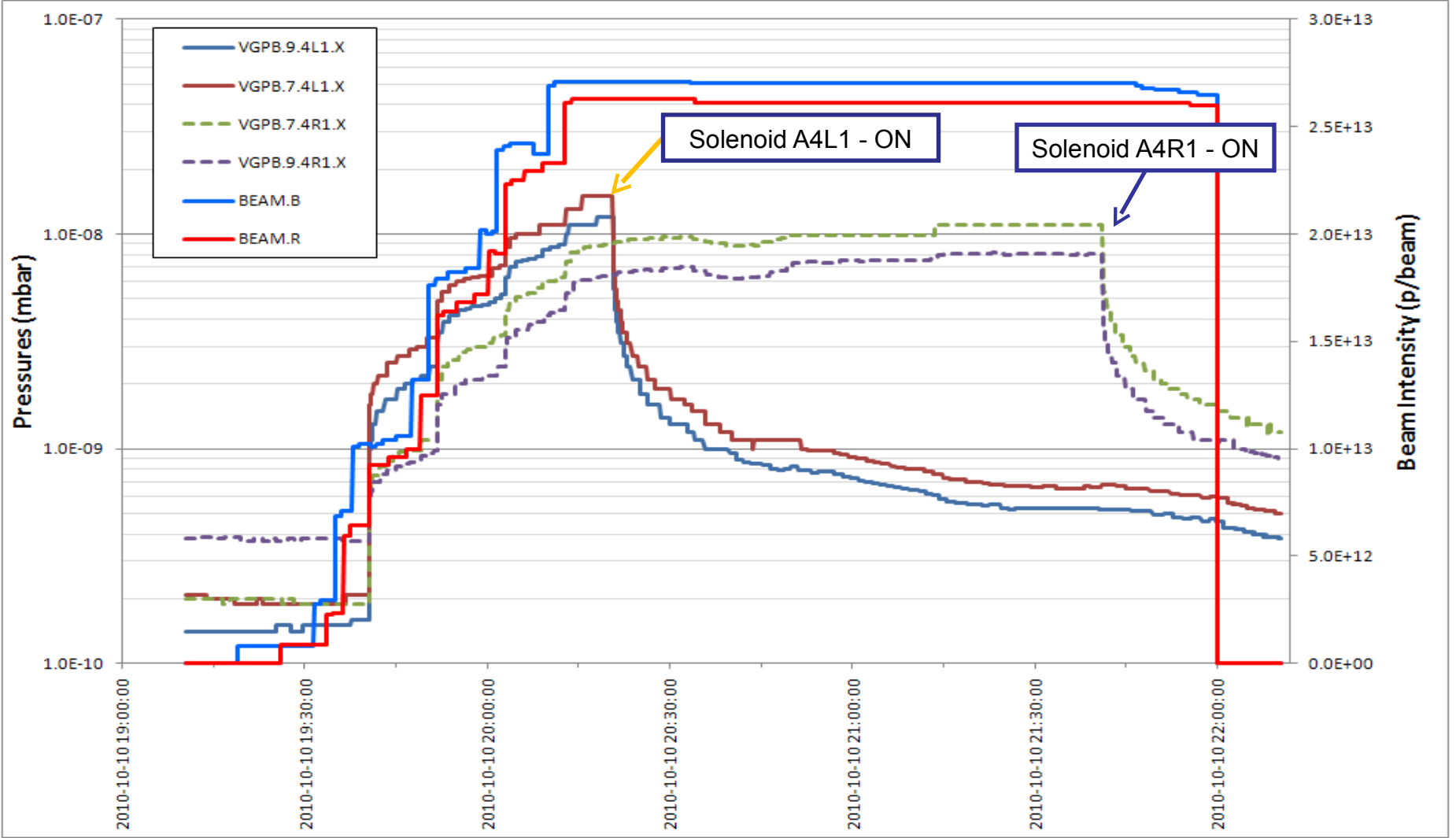
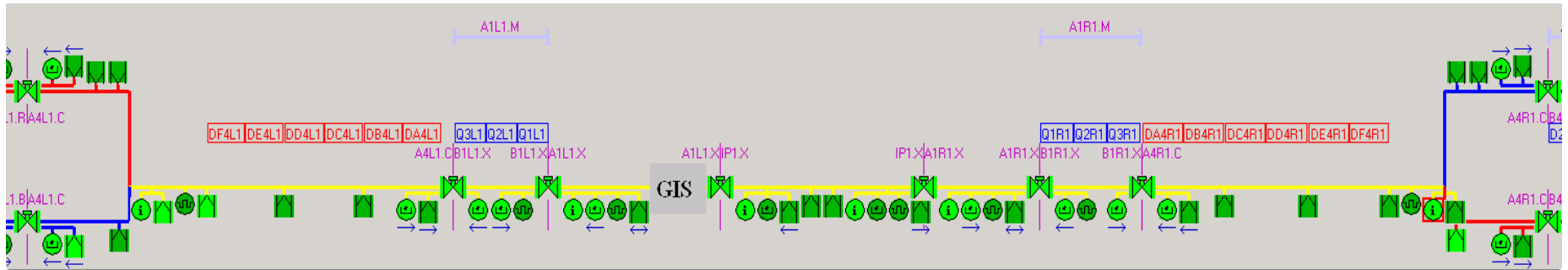
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- 1) warm sections (20% of circumference) coated by TiZrV getter developed at CERN; low secondary emission; if cloud occurs, ionization by electrons (high cross section ~ 400 Mbarn) aids in pumping & pressure will even improve
- 2) outer wall of beam screen (at 4-20 K, inside 1.9-K cold bore) will have a sawtooth surface ($30 \mu\text{m}$ over $500 \mu\text{m}$) to reduce photon reflectivity to $\sim 2\%$ so that photoelectrons are only emitted from outer wall & confined by dipole field
- 3) pumping slots in beam screen are shielded to prevent electron impact on cold magnet bore
- 4) rely on surface conditioning ('scrubbing'); commissioning strategy; as a last resort doubling or tripling bunch spacing suppresses e-cloud heat load





Vaccum Pressure in IR1



- **Very successful period of initial commissioning**
 - No real physics operation but got a good idea on how 2010 could look like
 - Re-established and solidified physics that has been discovered over the last 50 years at Tevatron, RHIC,
- **All key systems performed remarkably well**
 - Some commissioning still required, issues still to be addressed
- **Performance with beam (losses, lifetimes, luminosity, emittance growth etc.) is very encouraging.**
- **Moving towards a MJ culture.**
- **2011: smooth running with 10s MJ**
 - re-establish 2010 performance
 - a bit of scrubbing (e-cloud mitigation)
 - Move LHC status from 'commissioning' to 'physics operation'
 - $> 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, cranking up intensities: 75 ns bunch trains (50 ns?), ~900 bunches

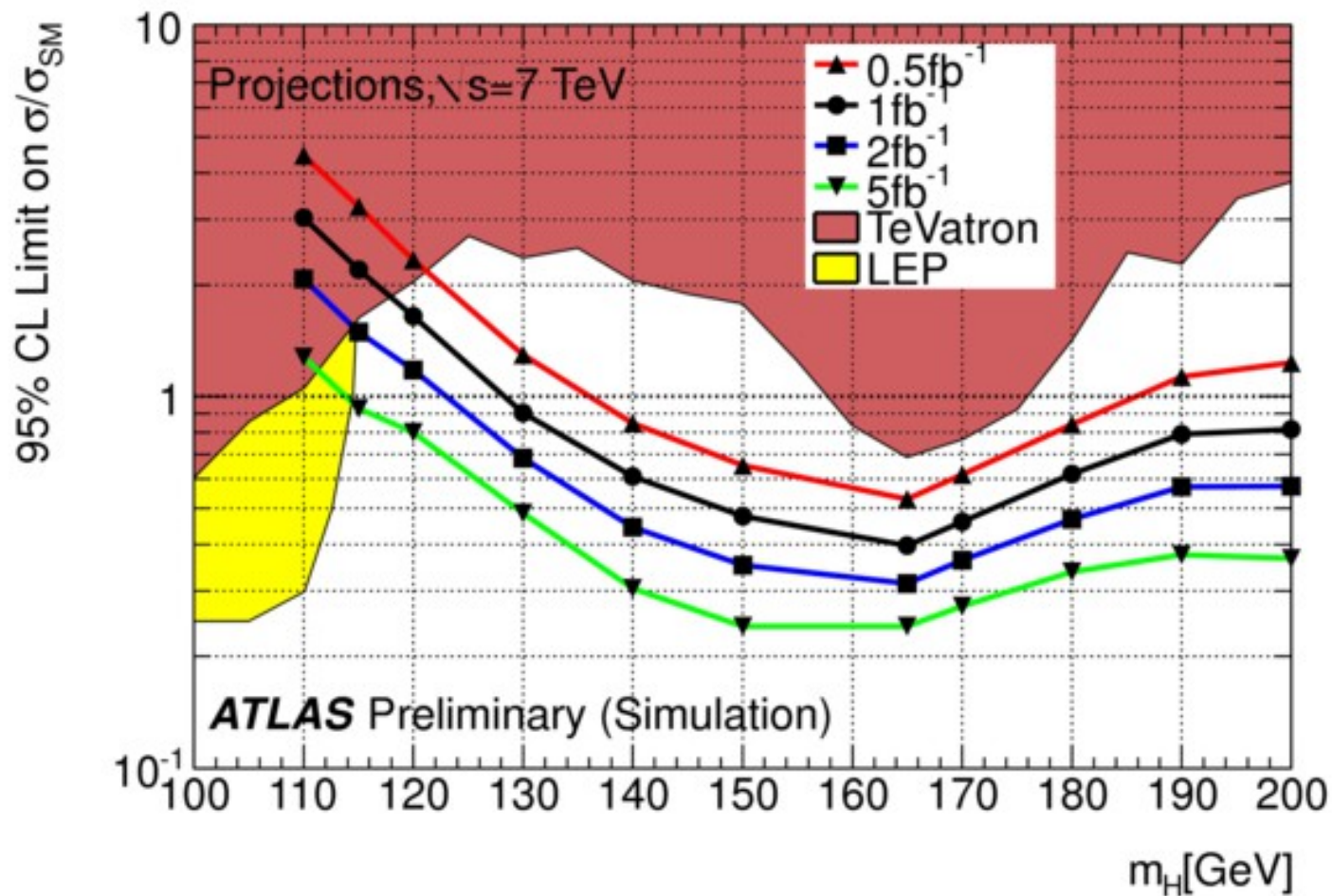


ANSTO, Lucas Heights, Sydney, 2010-12-17

LHC has taken off



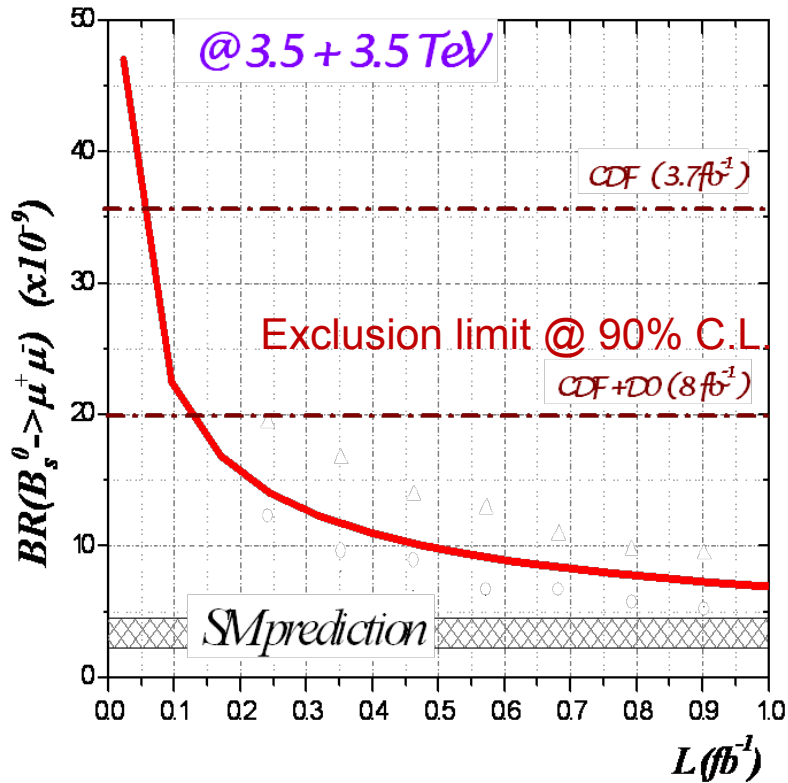
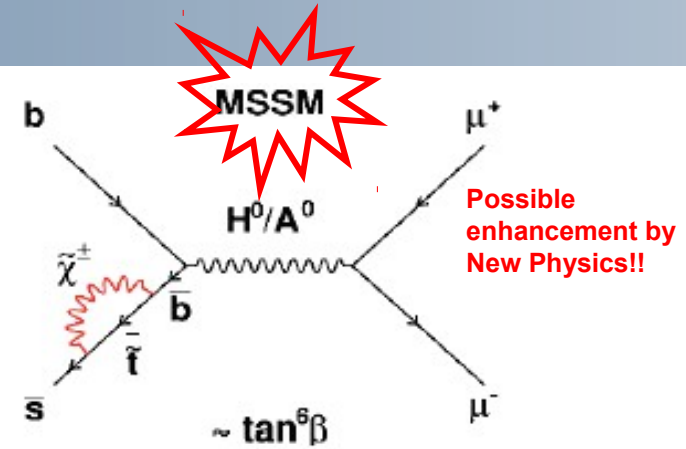
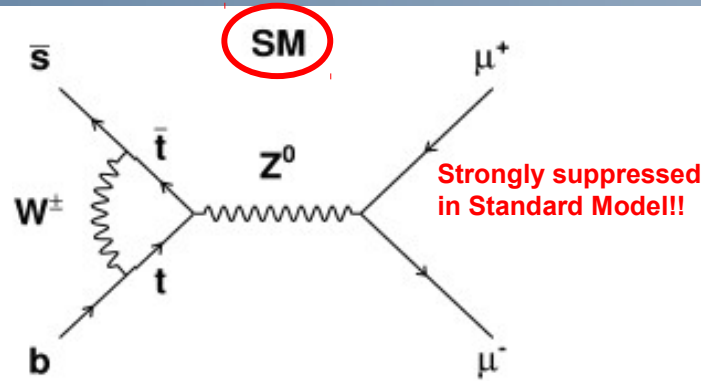
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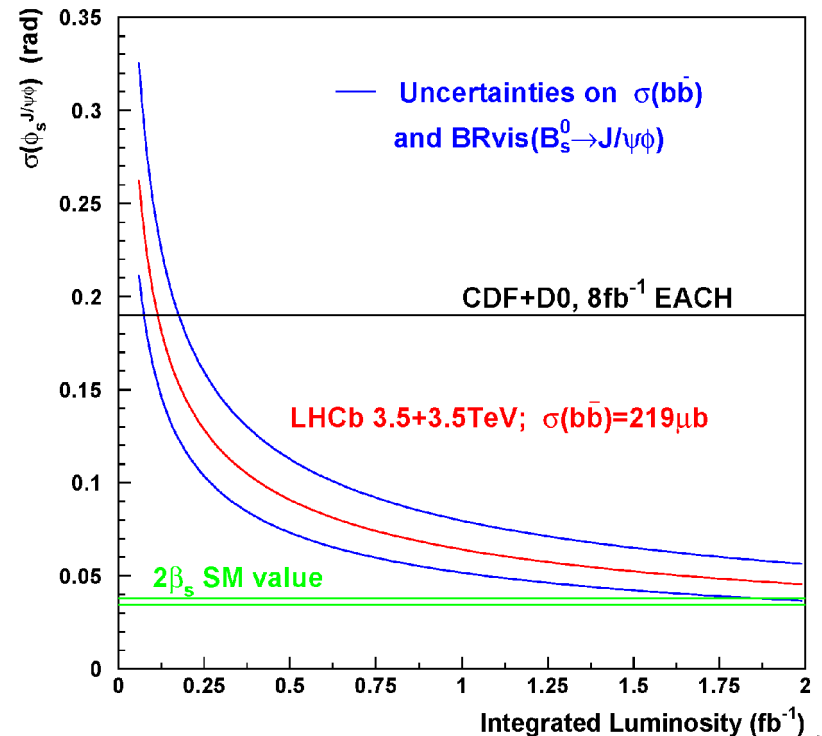
- 5fb⁻¹ enough to close gap with LEP at 7 TeV
 - Expected 3 σ observation from 123 to 550 GeV with
 - ATLAS estimates from a very conservative analysis at 7TeV

But Higgs is not everything...

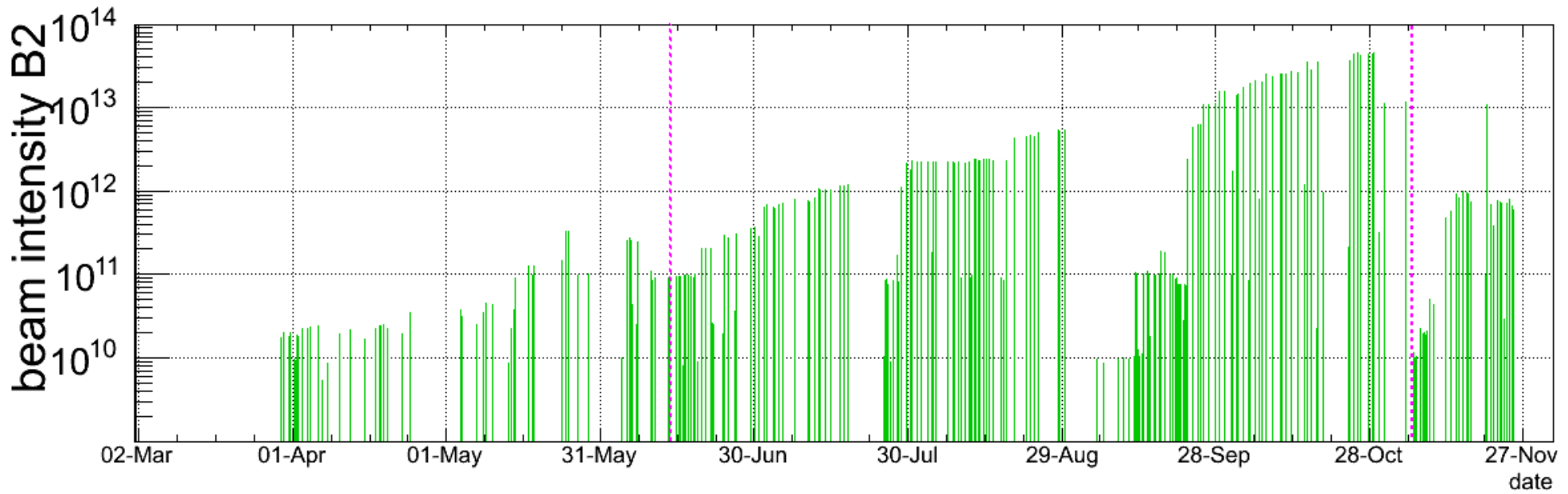
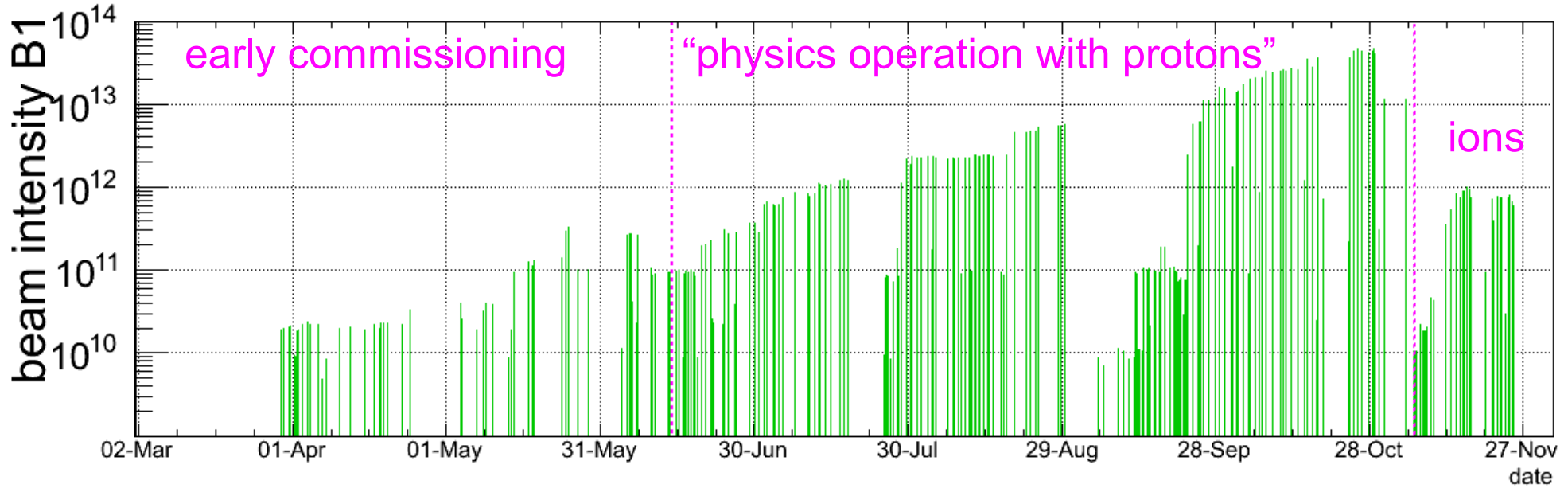
- Beauty also counts
- LHCb expectations for



And the B_s equivalent of the “ B_d CKM angle (B factories)”



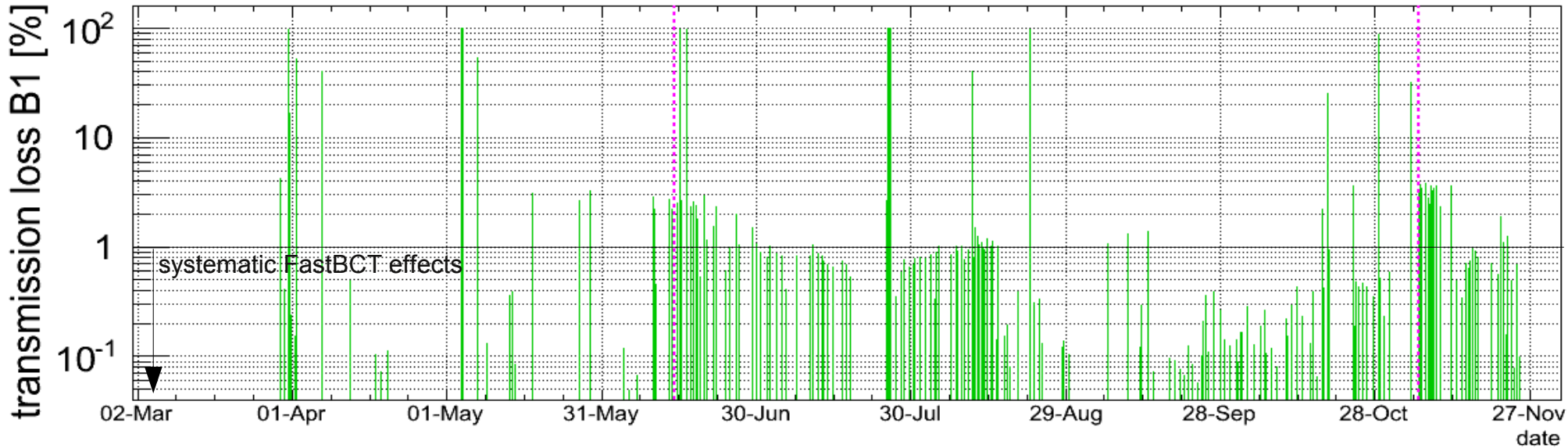
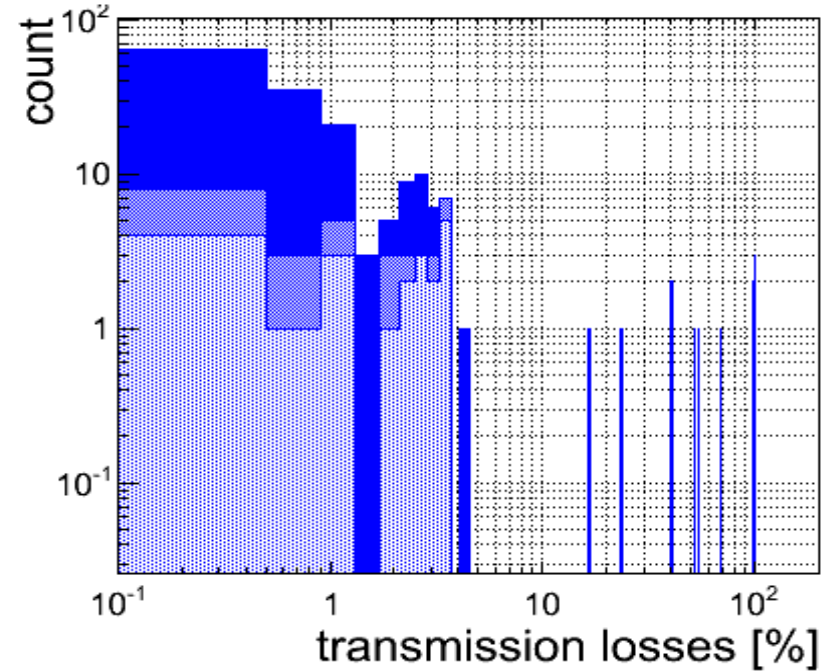
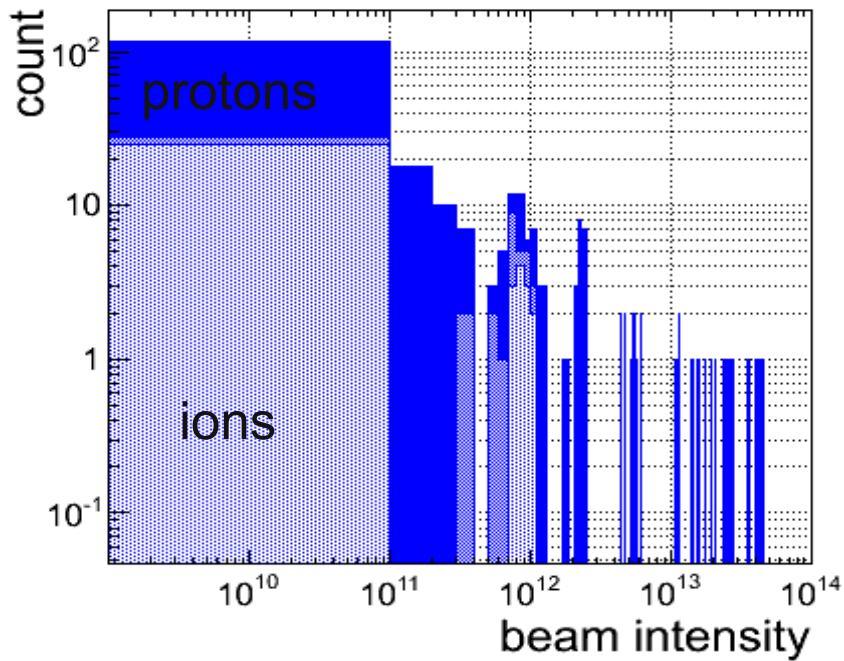
- Analysed a total of 275 ramps, excluded most of early ramps in 2009



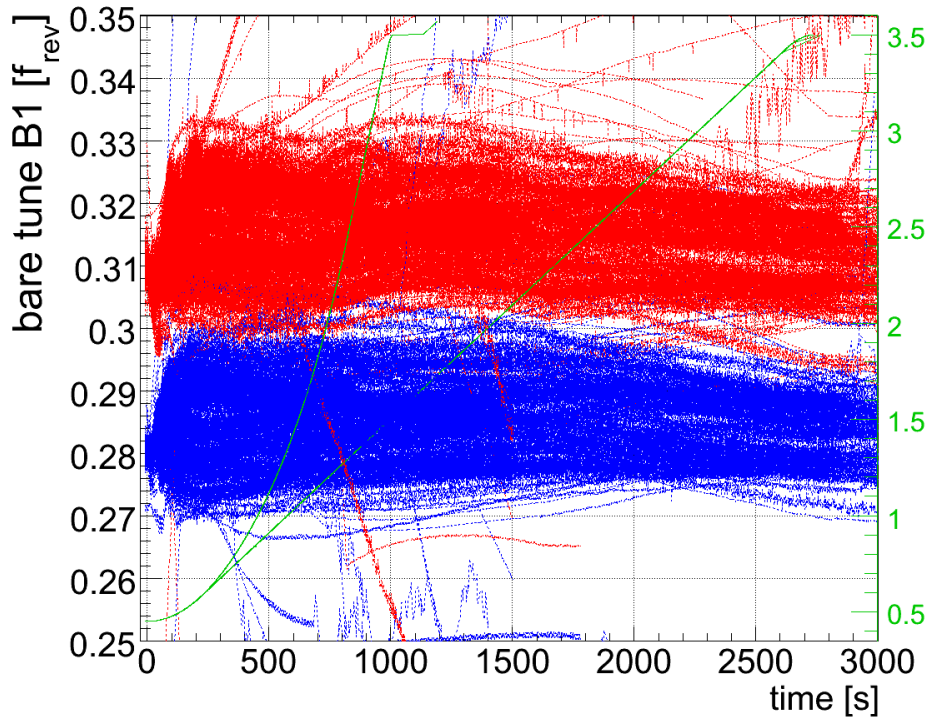


Maximum Intensity and Transmission Loss during the Ramp Beam 1

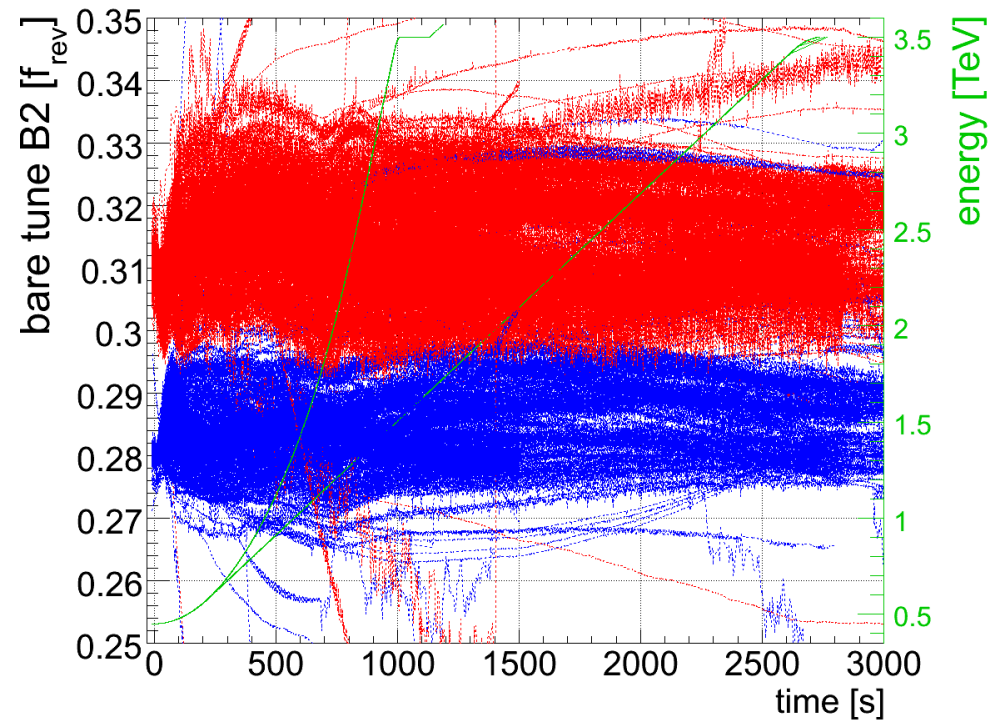
- Most losses when switching mode of operation (single bunch → trains → ions)



- Ramp dynamics and variations are compensated/absorbed by Tune-FB



- ... 56 lost due to low-order (3rd, 4th, C⁻) resonance crossing without Tune-FB
- ... 150 exceeding $\Delta Q = \pm 0.01$ tolerance
- ... all above nominal $\Delta Q = \pm 0.0015$ limit



- ... 83 lost due to low-order (3rd, 4th, C⁻) resonance crossing without Tune-FB
- ... 157 exceeding $\Delta Q = \pm 0.01$ tolerance
- ... all above nominal $\Delta Q = \pm 0.0015$ limit

once QPS, cryo and power systems have been fixed:

- Re-cycled LHC, re-corrected tune, orbit, ..., switched on RF
- Beam circulated for more than 10 minutes (life-time > 1 h)
 - forced beam abort → first emergency beam dump test
- Commissioning driven by RF team from SR4.
 - CCC could only watch the longitudinal profile monitor!

