

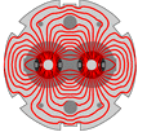


# Status of LHC

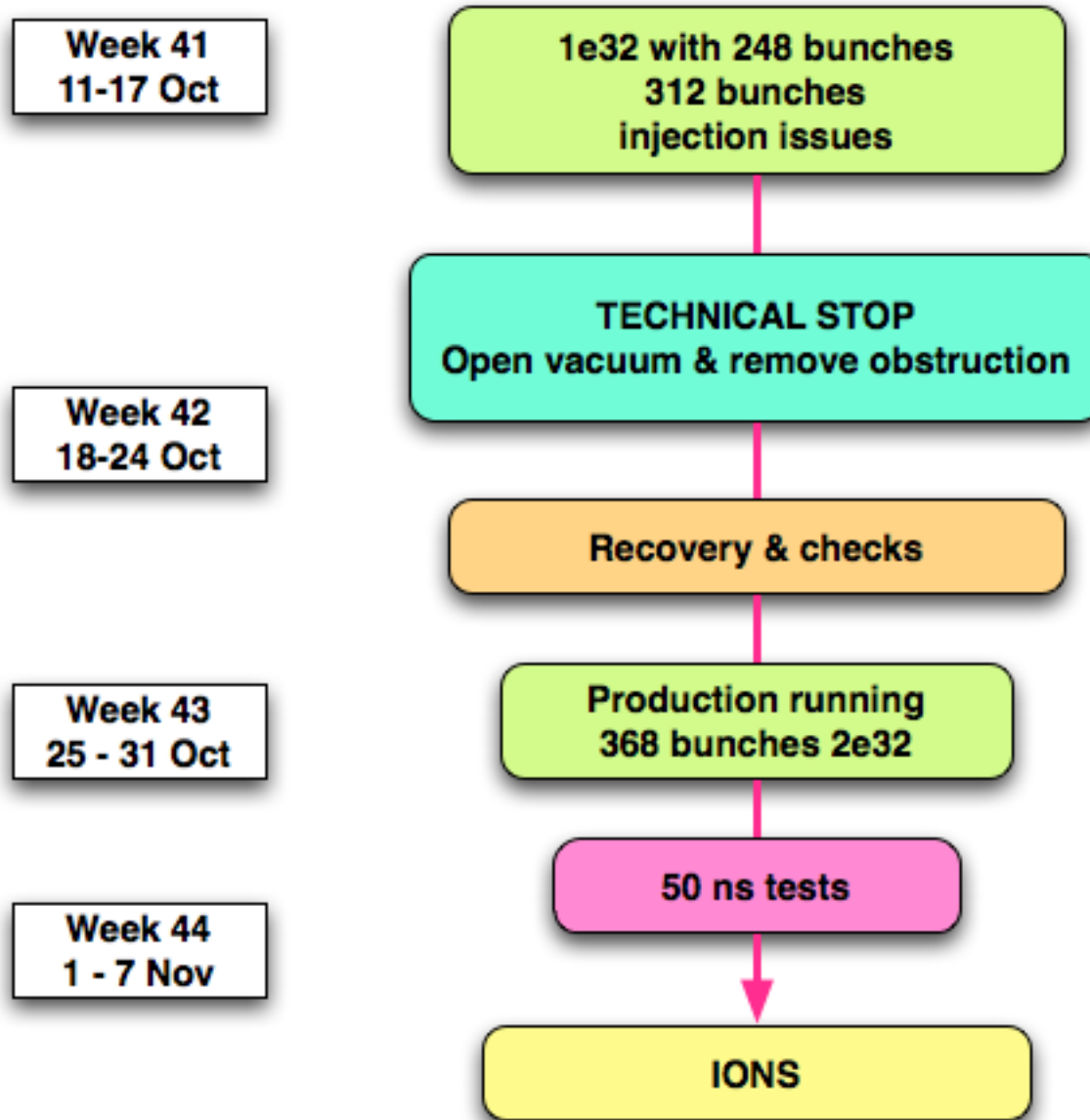
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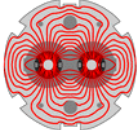
on behalf of a tired and  
emotional LHC team

Periodic report on the status of LHC commissioning and operations.  
This report will review the final achievements of the pp run, the prospects for 2011,  
and will provide the first assessment of the current heavy ion run



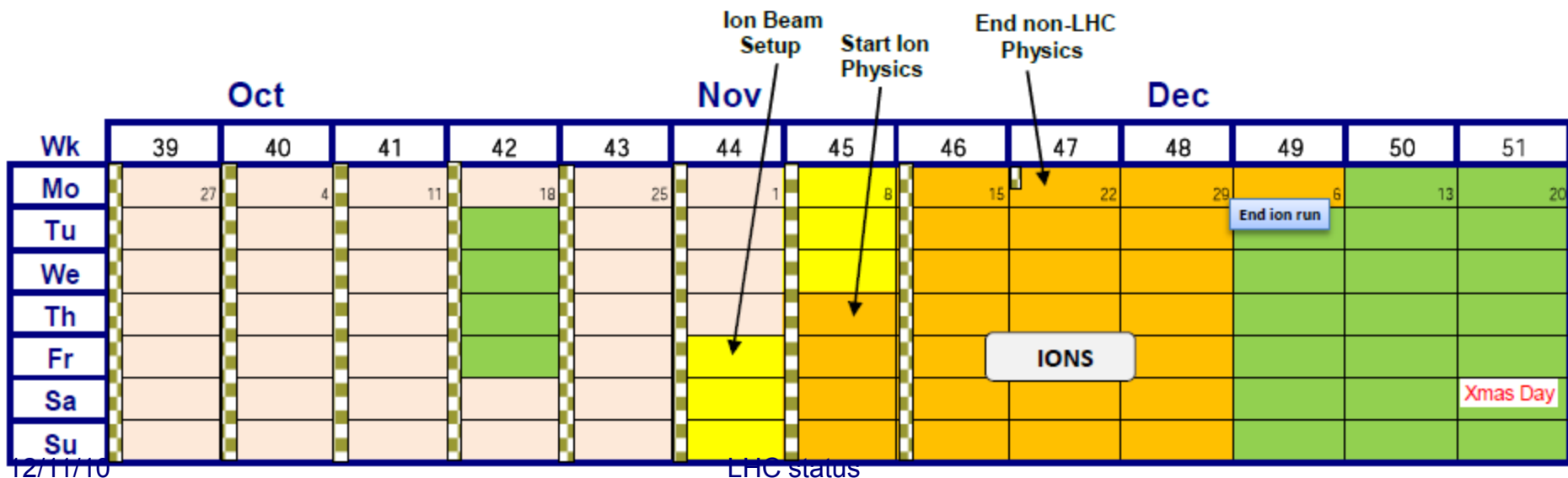
# Last month or so

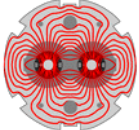




# A month ago

- Clipped  $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  with 248 bunches
- Moved to 312 bunches
  - $1.3$  &  $1.4 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  fills lost to UFOs
  - Less ambitious fill in for 9.5 hours giving  $2.3 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- **Ongoing injection problems**
  - investigations reveal obstruction in injection septa point 2
- Technical stop moved to week 42

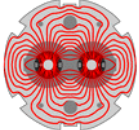




# Physics before the technical stop

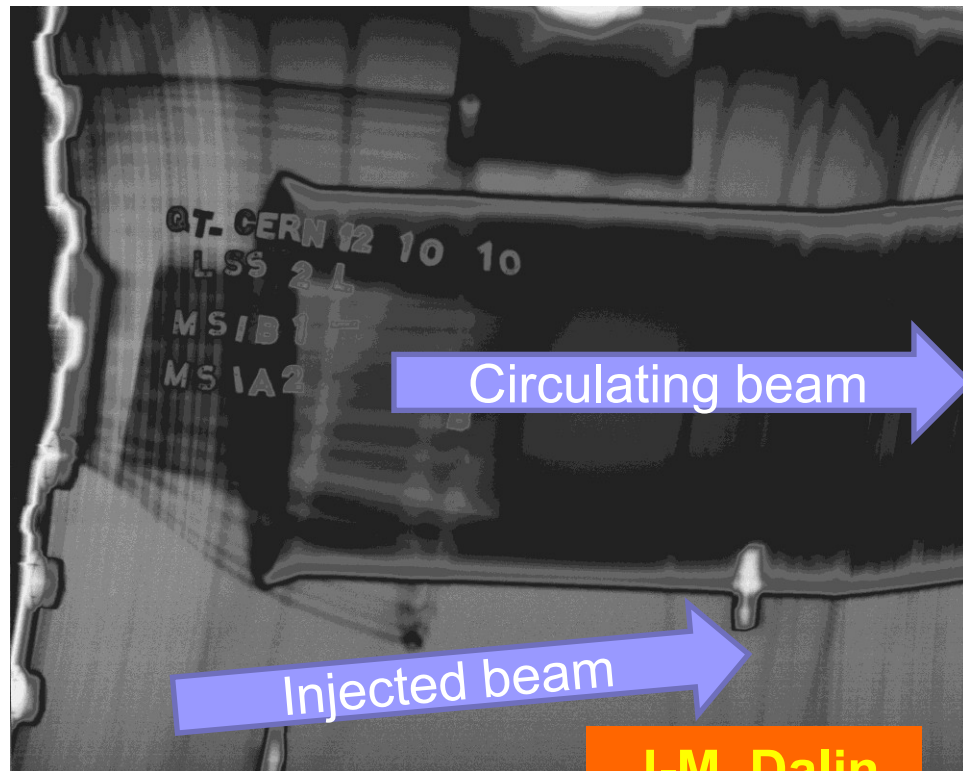
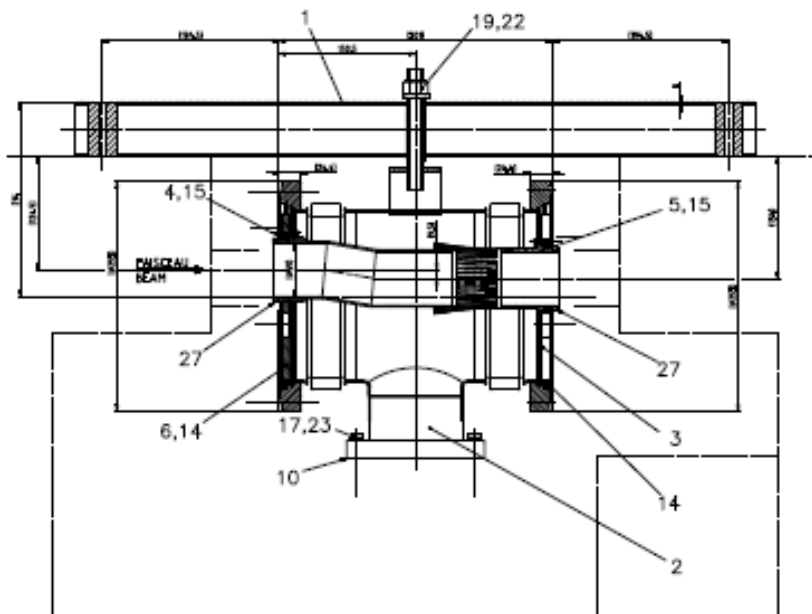
| Fill | Date  | # bunch | p/ bunch<br>[ $10^{11}$ ] | $L_{\text{peak}}$<br>[ $10^{32}$<br>$\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ] | Stable<br>beams<br>[h] | $L_{\text{int}}$<br>[ $\text{pb}^{-1}$ ] | Reason for<br>dump |
|------|-------|---------|---------------------------|---|------------------------|--|--------------------|
| 1418 | 14/10 | 248     | 1.04                      | 1.03  | 8.5                    | >2.4                                     | PC IT.R1           |
| 1422 | 15/10 | 16      | 0.78                      | 0.018   | 5.5                    | 0.03                                     | LBDS               |
| 1424 | 16/10 | 312     | 1.13                      | 1.35  | 1                      | 0.4                                      | UFO LHCb BCM       |
| 1427 | 16/10 | 312     | 0.89                      | 0.86  | 9.5                    | 2.3                                      | OP REQUEST         |
| 1430 | 18/10 | 312     | 1.15                      | 1.48  | 0.6                    | 0.3                                      | UFO Pt.4           |

- Typical emittances in collision  $2.5 \mu\text{m}$ 
  - and attempting to go lower
- Nominal bunch intensities

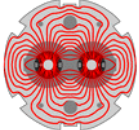


# MSI interconnection repair

- Radiation survey and X-ray showed a clear aperture restriction at the transition between the injection septa MSIB/MSIA due to a non-conformity in the mounting of the interconnection



Conditions for injection degraded too much → decision to anticipate the week 44 TS to week 42. Injection fine after intervention.

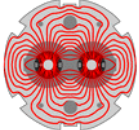


# Production running after TS

| Date   | #    | Nb             | Fill length | pb-1        | Peak lumi | Lost to     |
|--------|------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| Sun 24 | 1439 | 312            | 10h42       | 4.2         | 1.51e32   | OP request  |
| Mon 25 | 1440 | 368            | 11h20       | 6.0         | 2e32      | EOF studies |
| Tue 26 | 1443 | 368            | 2h17        | .15         | 2e32      | UFO Q8.L5   |
| Tue 26 | 1444 | 368            | 7h12        | 4.0         | 1.95e32   | OP request  |
| Thu 28 | 1450 | 368            | 14h32       | 6.3         | 1.8e32    | OP request  |
| Fri 29 | 1453 | 368            | 6h20        | 2.6         | 1.6e32    | OP request  |
| Sun 31 | 1459 | 108<br>(50 ns) | 6h01        | 0.45        | 2.6e31    | OP request  |
| Total  |      |                |             | <b>23.7</b> |           |             |

plus one attempt with **424 bunches**: beam dump just after arriving to 3.5 TeV. TCTH.4R8.B2 BLM in IR8 triggered on 0.6s running sum - strange loss patterns.

**11:00 Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October**  
**End proton production running for 2010**

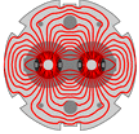


# Fill 1418

|                                     |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Peak luminosity                     | ~1.03e32      |
| Beam current                        | 2.62/2.61 e13 |
| Average bunch current               | 1.04e11       |
| Emittance (reconstructed from lumi) | 2.4 micron    |
| Approx beam-beam tune shift         | 0.016         |
| Stored beam energy                  | 14.9 MJ       |

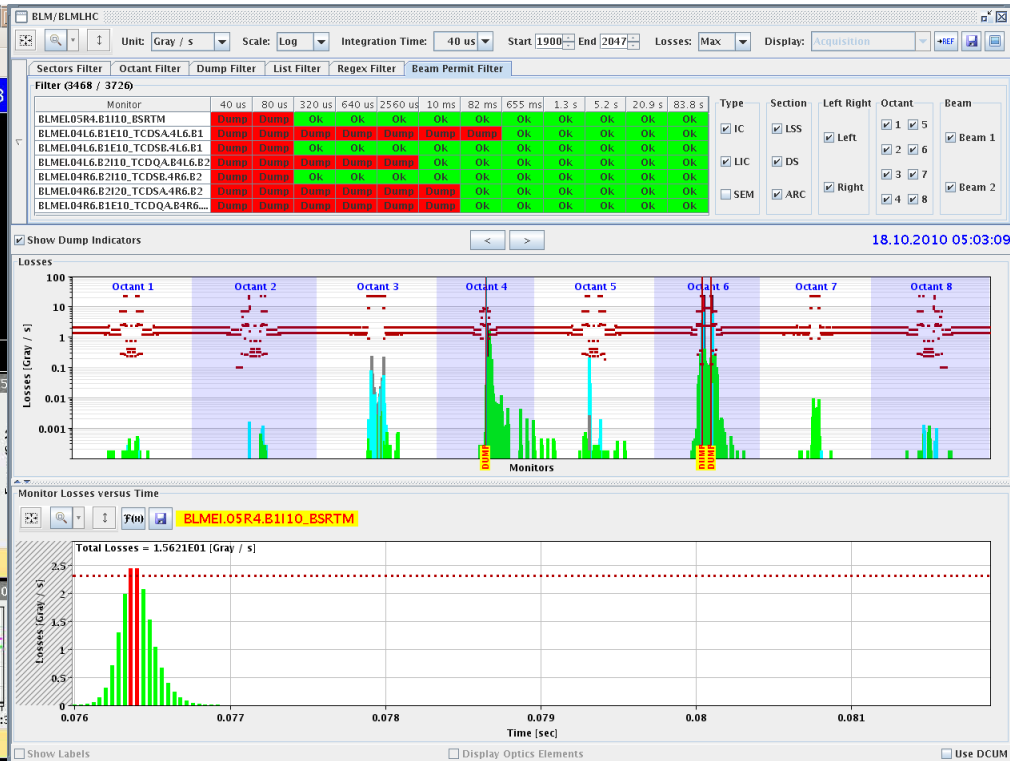
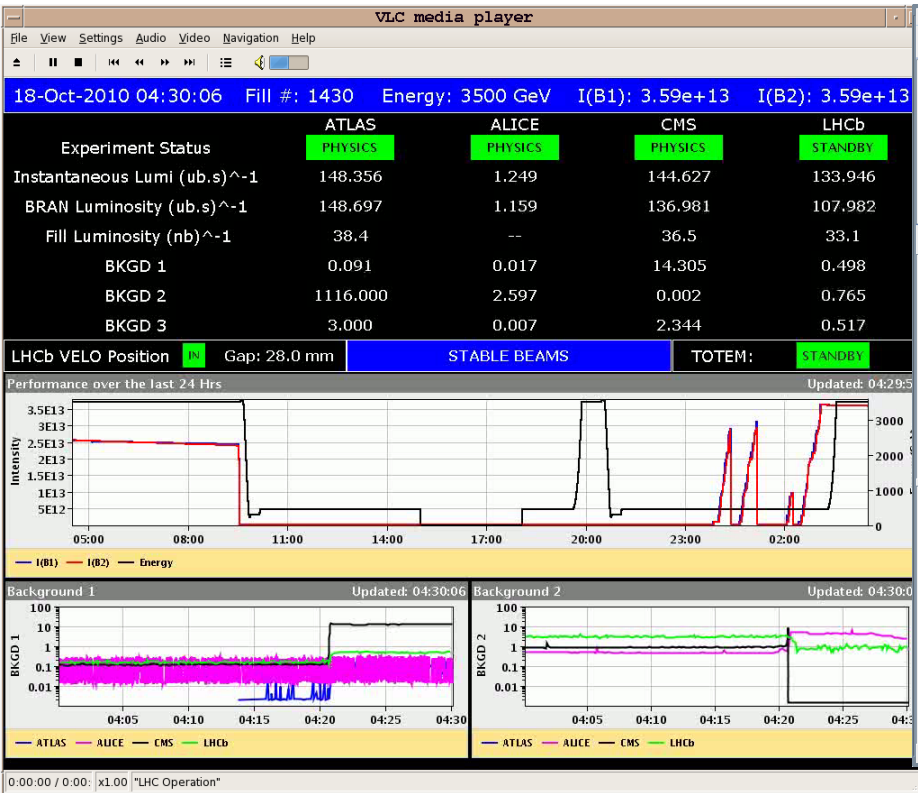


c/o Giulia Papotti, Anthony Rey in the middle of the night...

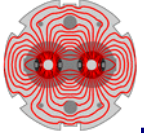


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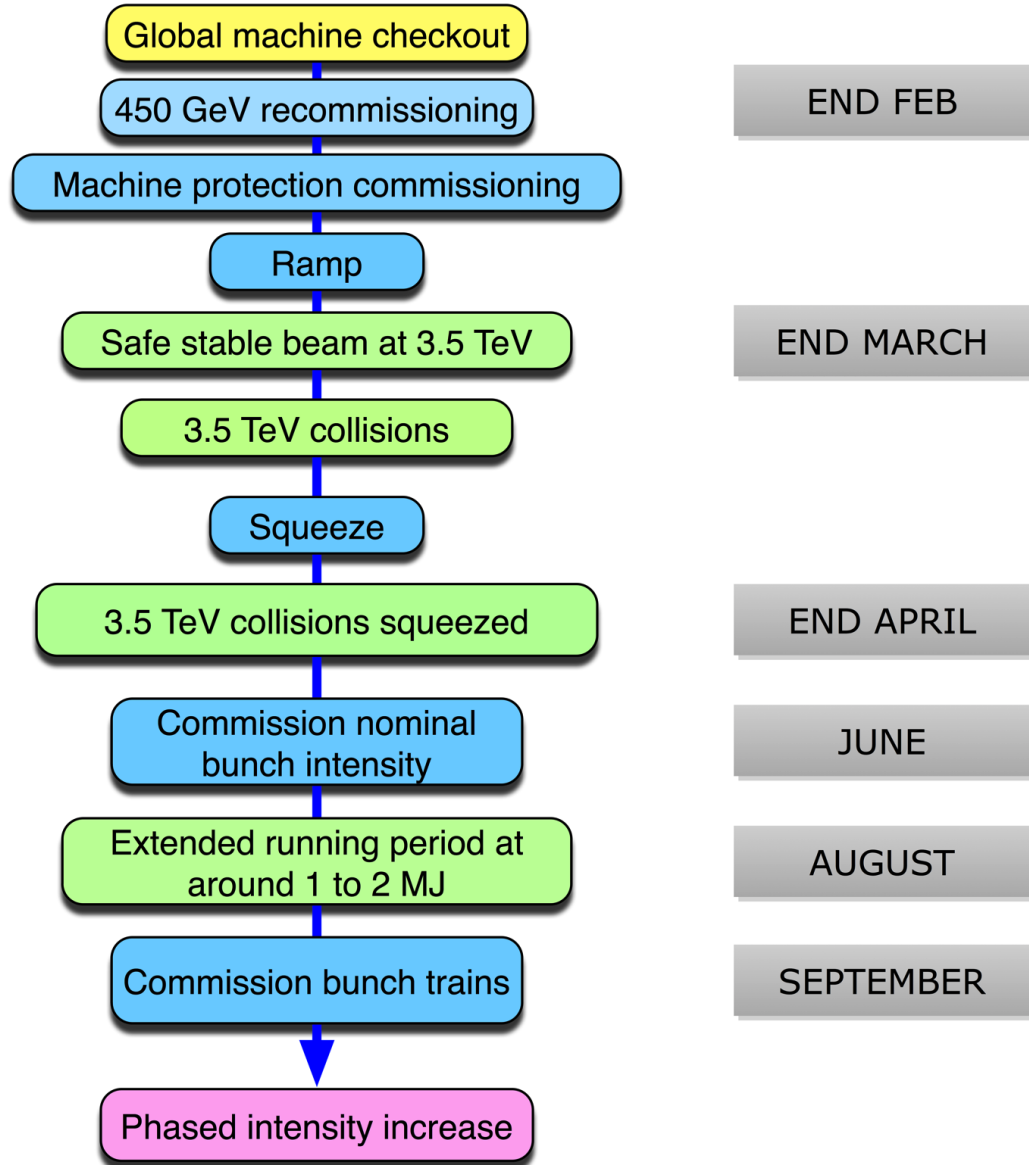
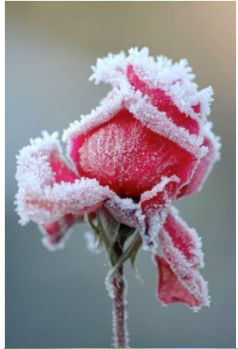
- $3.6 \times 10^{13}$  p/beam in collision ( $\sim 20$  MJ/beam)
- $L_0 > 1.3 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \rightarrow$  Emittance in collision  $2.4 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$
- Damped by UFO event after 0.5 hour ( $\sim 250 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ ). UFO event on beam 1 close to BSRT in point 4 (just above threshold)



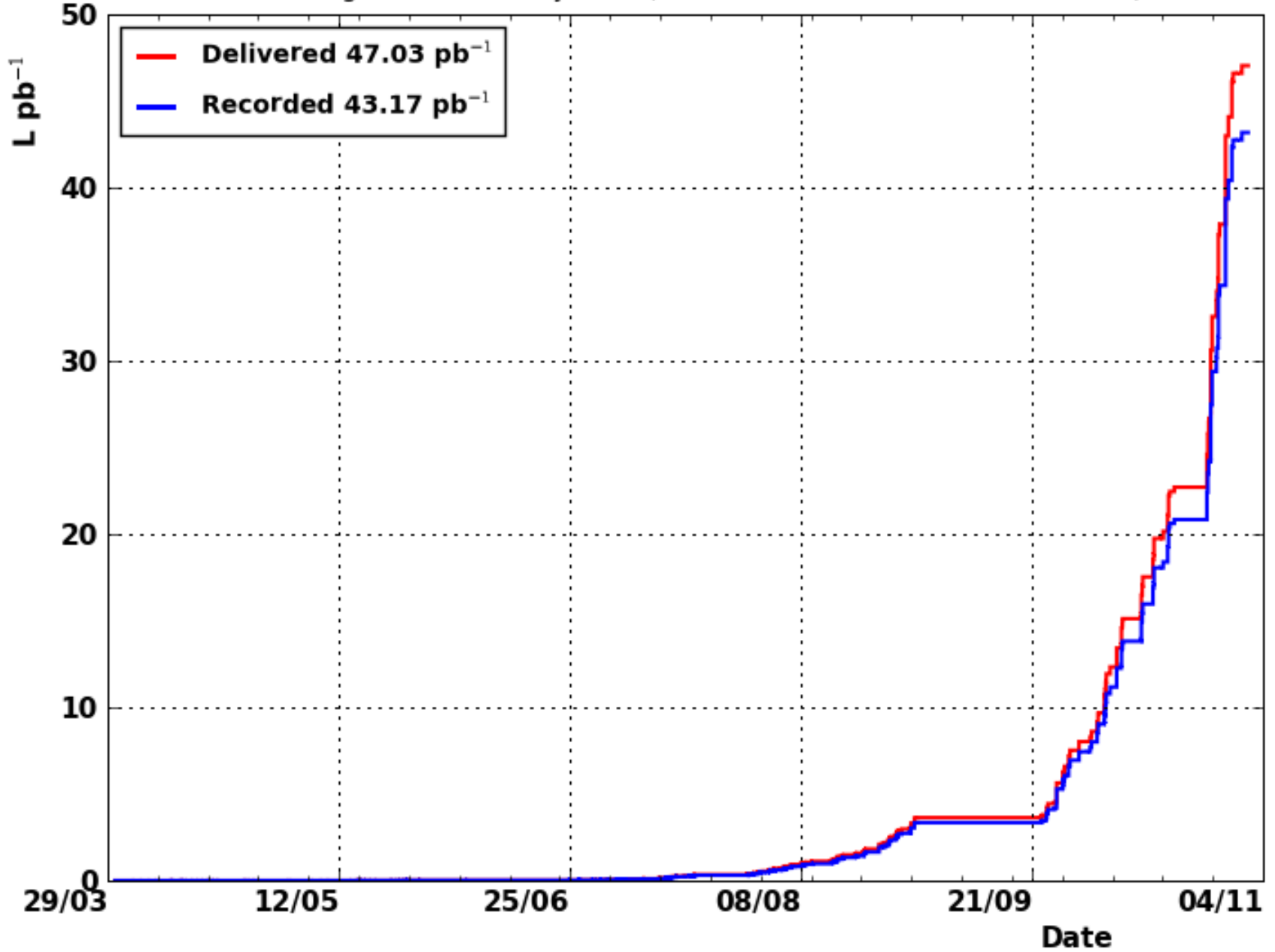




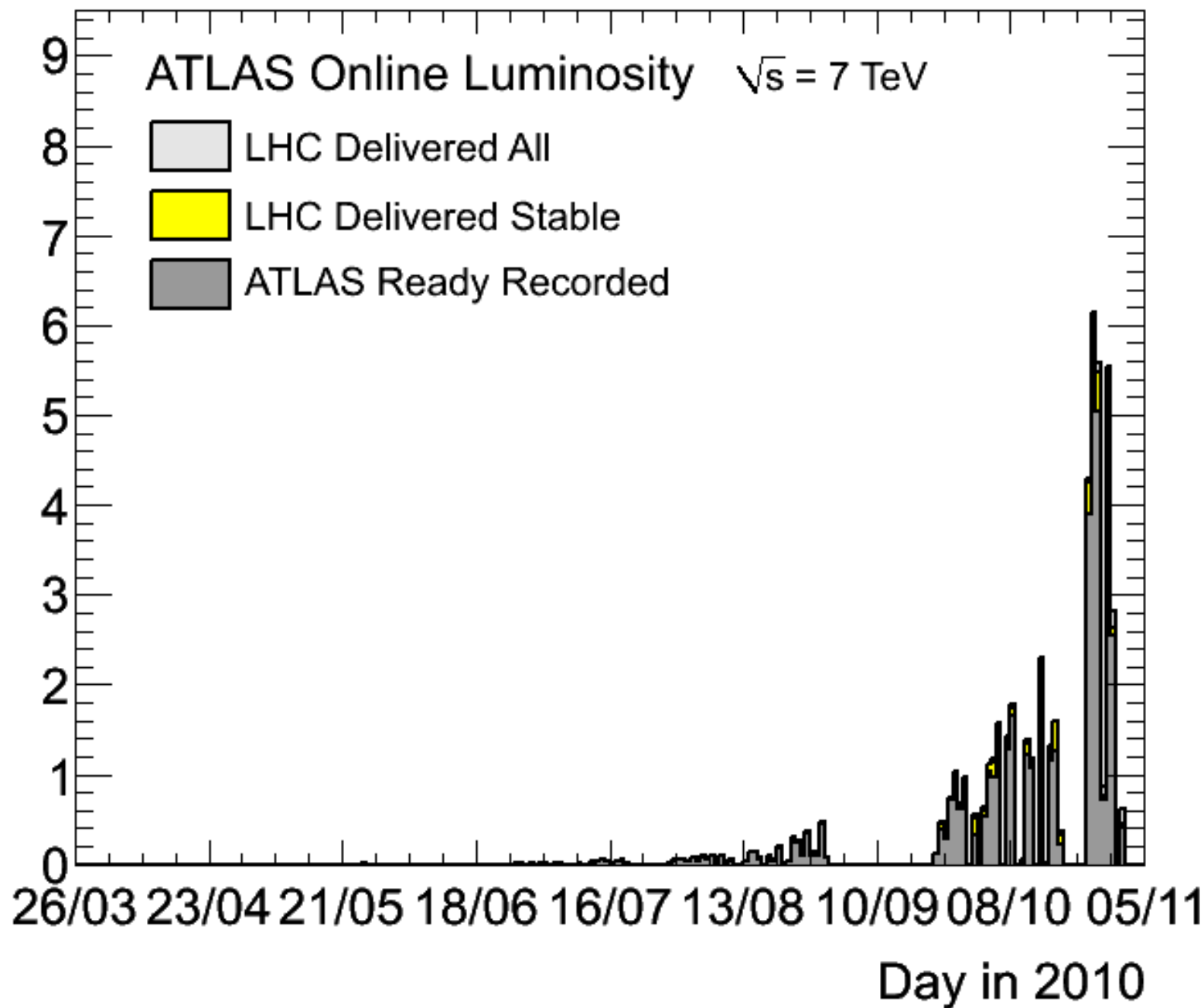
# It's been a long year...

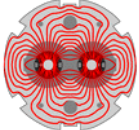


Total Integrated Luminosity 2010 (Mar 30 10:00 UTC - Nov 09 13:54 UTC)

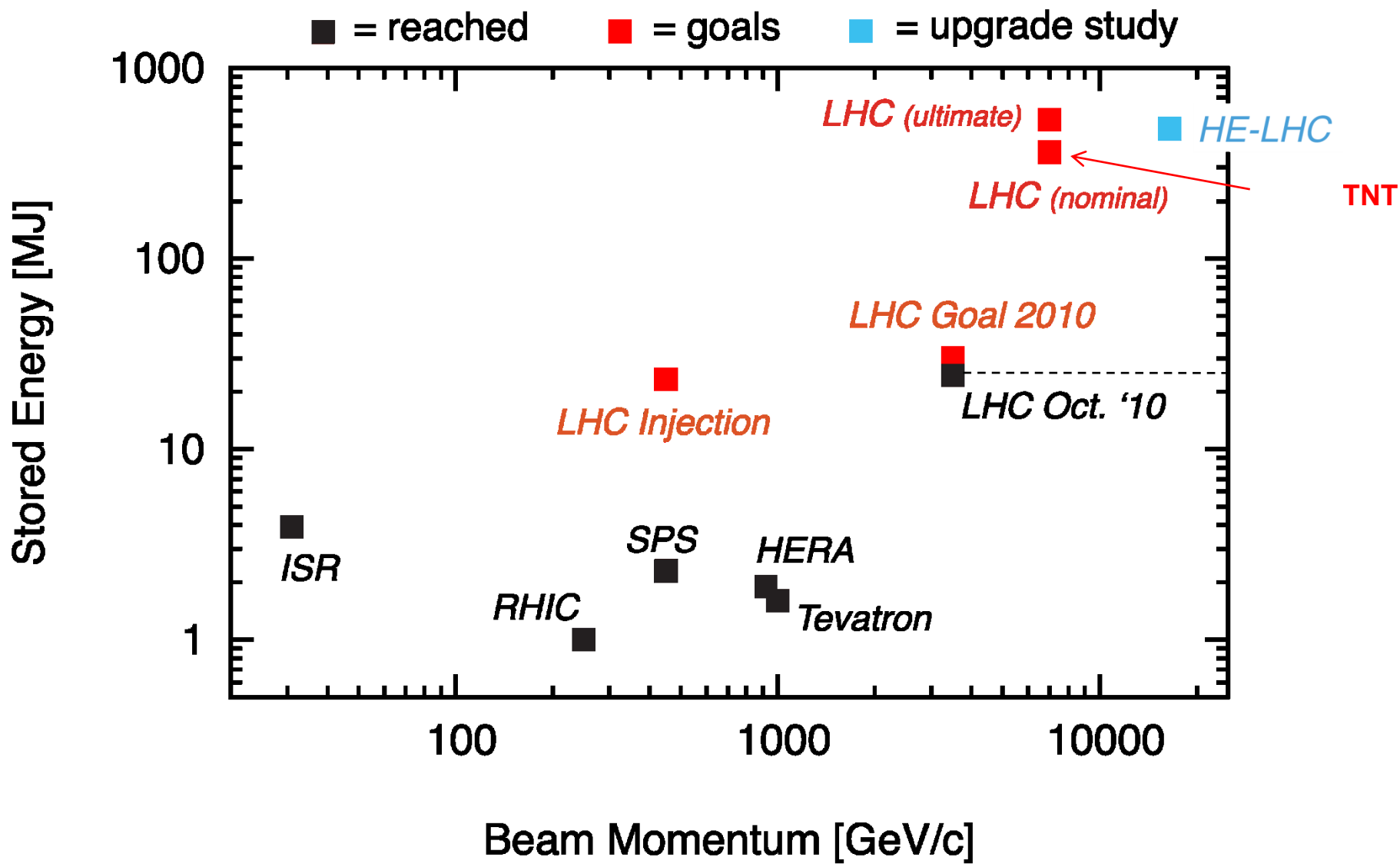


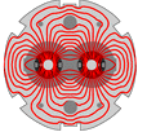
Integrated Luminosity [ $\text{pb}^{-1}/\text{day}$ ]





# Status LHC Stored Energy

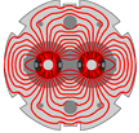




# 2010 – main aims

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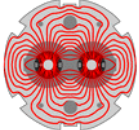
- Clear priority to lay the foundations for 2011 and the delivery of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Have performed a safe, phased increase in intensity with validation and a running period at each step
- Gained solid operational experience of [not faultlessly] injecting, ramping, squeezing and establishing stable beams
- Aimed for steady running at or around 1 MJ over the summer – around 3 weeks in the end
- Followed by commissioning of bunch trains and a comparatively fast ramp up in beam intensity



# Surprises

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- We were never meant to run at 3.5 TeV
  - 7 TeV studied in exquisite detail
  - 3.5 TeV - bigger beams, less aperture, less attention
  - $\text{Beta}^* = 3.5 \text{ m}$
- Very good single beam lifetime
  - Vacuum – very good up to now
    - electron cloud incoming (see below)
  - Non-linearities: excellent field quality, excellent magnet model
- Can inject, ramp and squeeze with minimal beam loss
- Transverse emittance (read beam size)
  - Too small emittance from injectors
  - Ditto longitudinal plane
- Nominal+ bunch currents from injectors



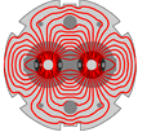
# Surprises

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## ■ Beam-beam

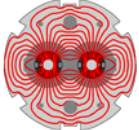
- A lot easier than expected
- Can collide nominal bunch intensity collisions without problems
- Even with much lower than nominal beam sizes
- Resolving expected problems with predicted cures (octupoles, transverse feedback)
  
- Still surprising...

However...

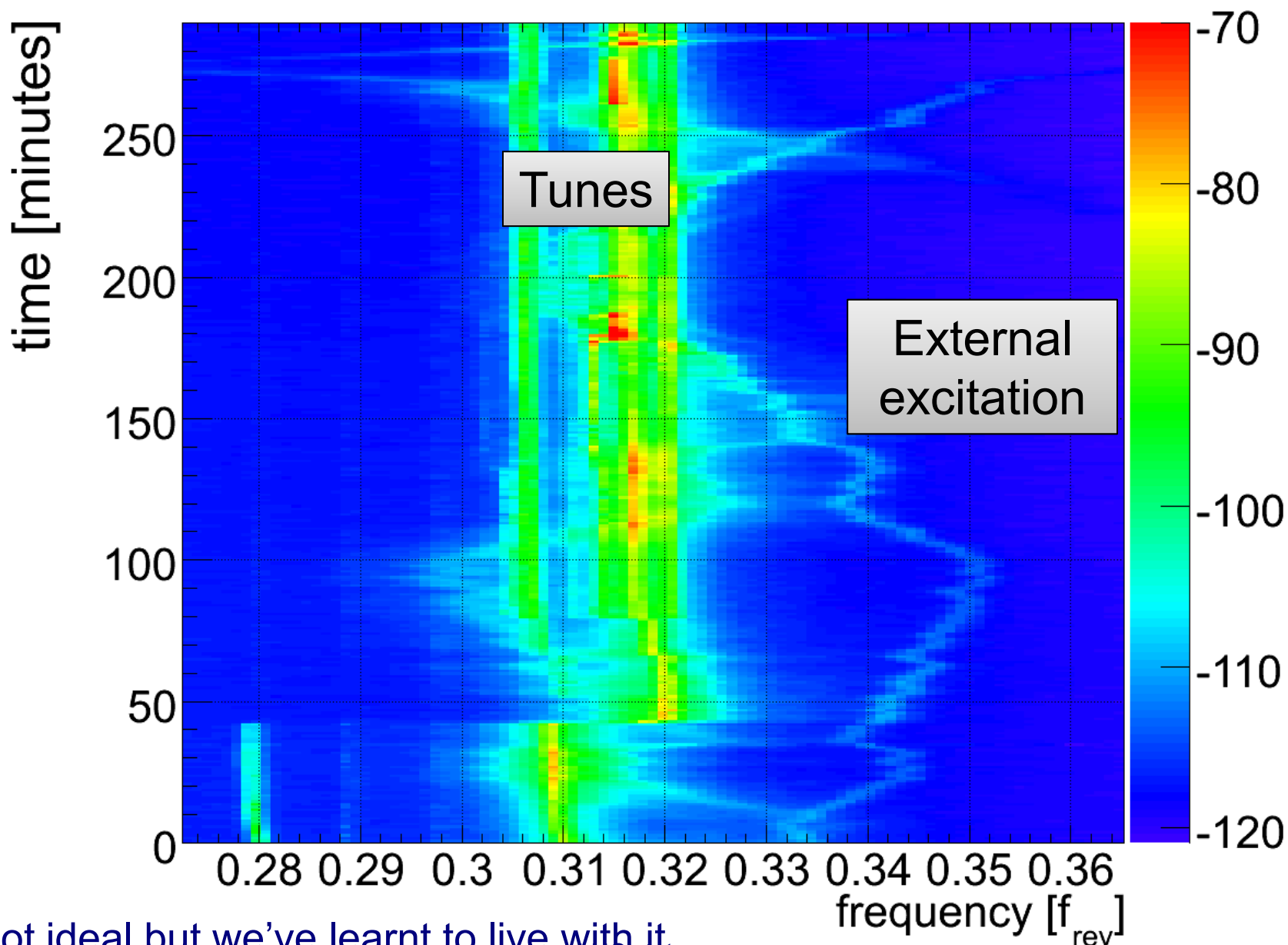


# PROBLEMS, PROBLEMS



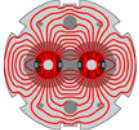


# The hump - source still unknown

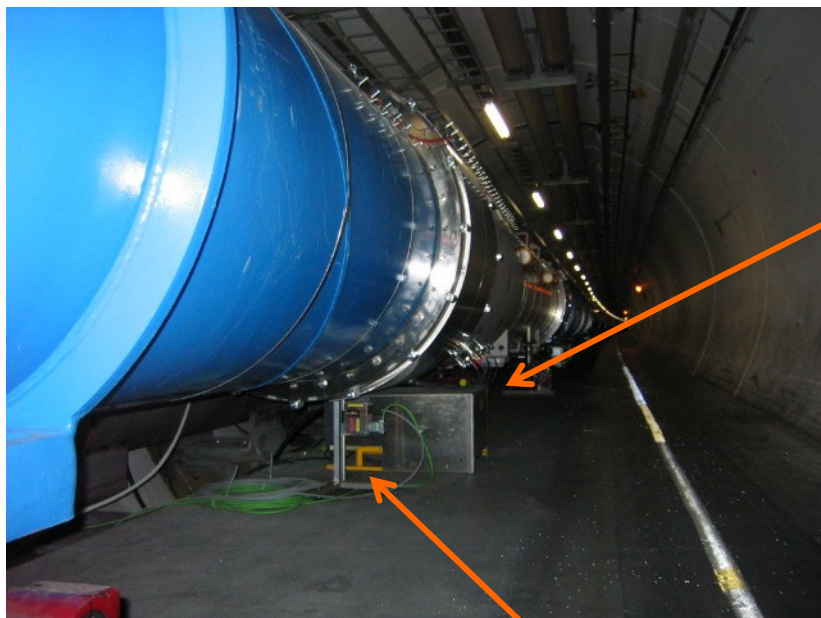


Not ideal but we've learnt to live with it

LHC status



# SEUs



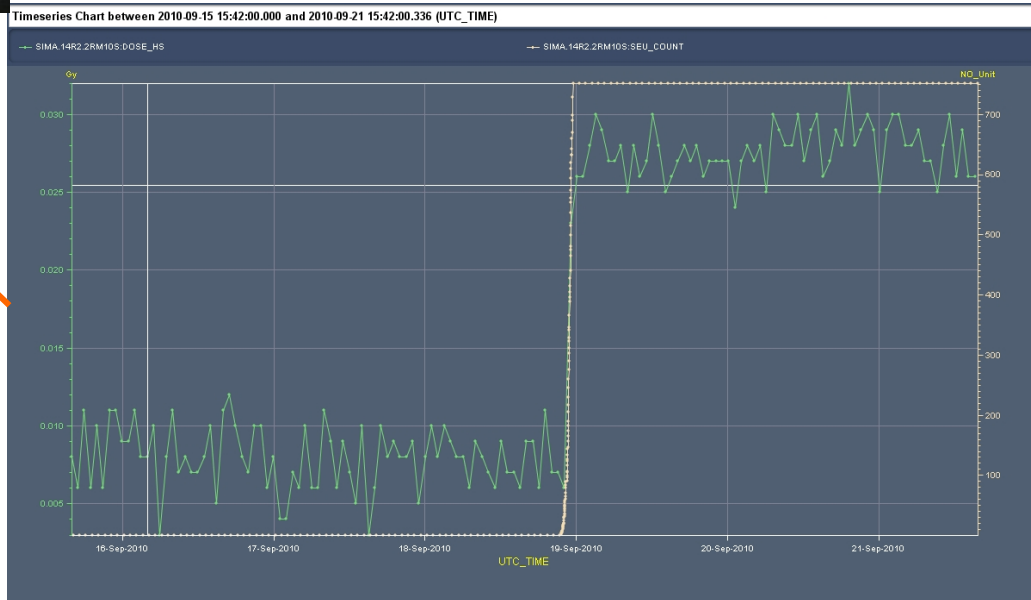
QPS crate

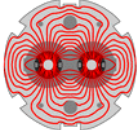
SEU count (RADMON) during  
off momentum loss map



*Thijs Wijnants*

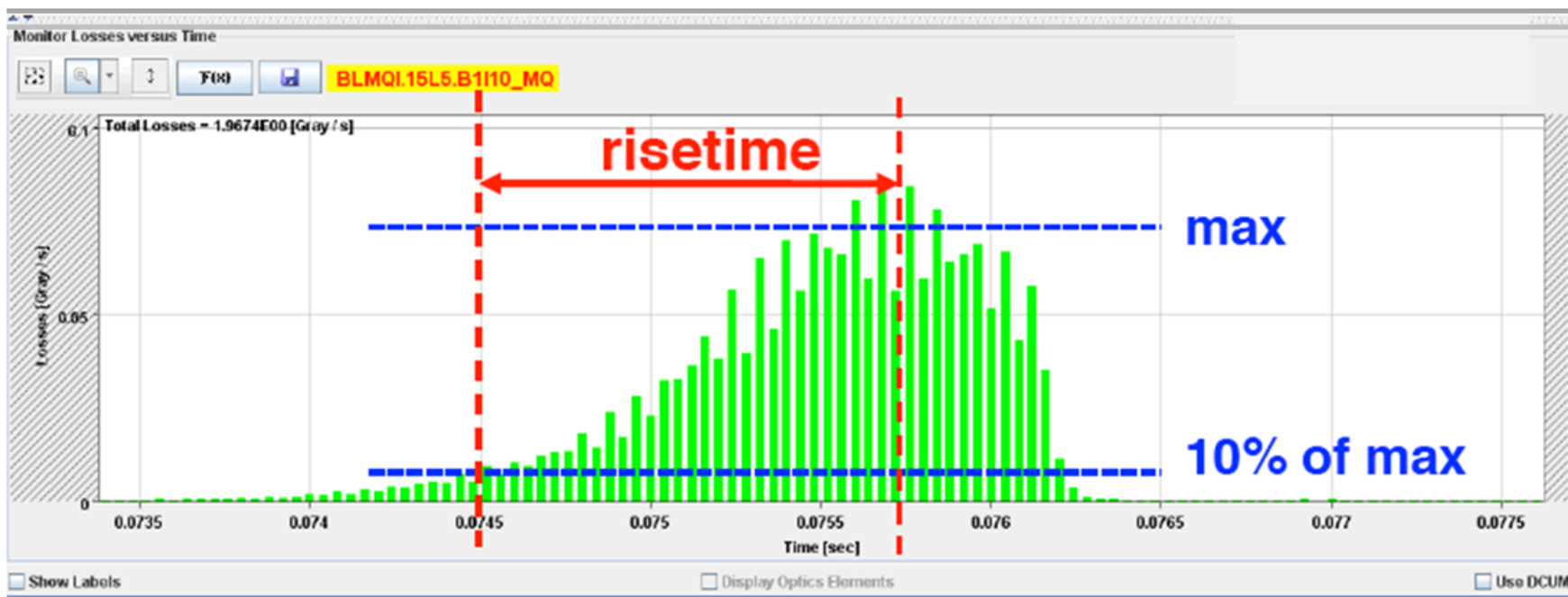
Not a problem at the  
moment but being  
monitored carefully

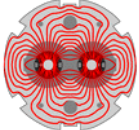




# UFOs

- **Sudden local losses** (some in the middle of the arc) have been recorded. No quench, but preventive dumps.
- Rise time partly  $< 1$  ms.
- Potential explanation: dust particles falling into beam creating scatter losses and showers propagating downstream

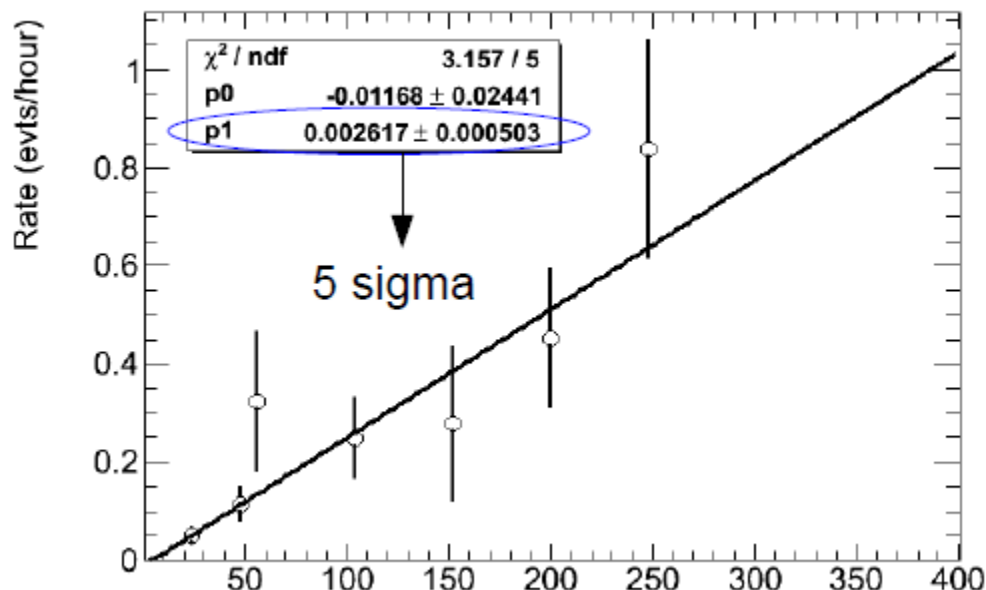




# UFO: intensity dependence

Beam loss monitor thresholds have been raised at the appropriate timescales

Logging data mined for events not above threshold

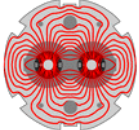


## “UFO” Rate

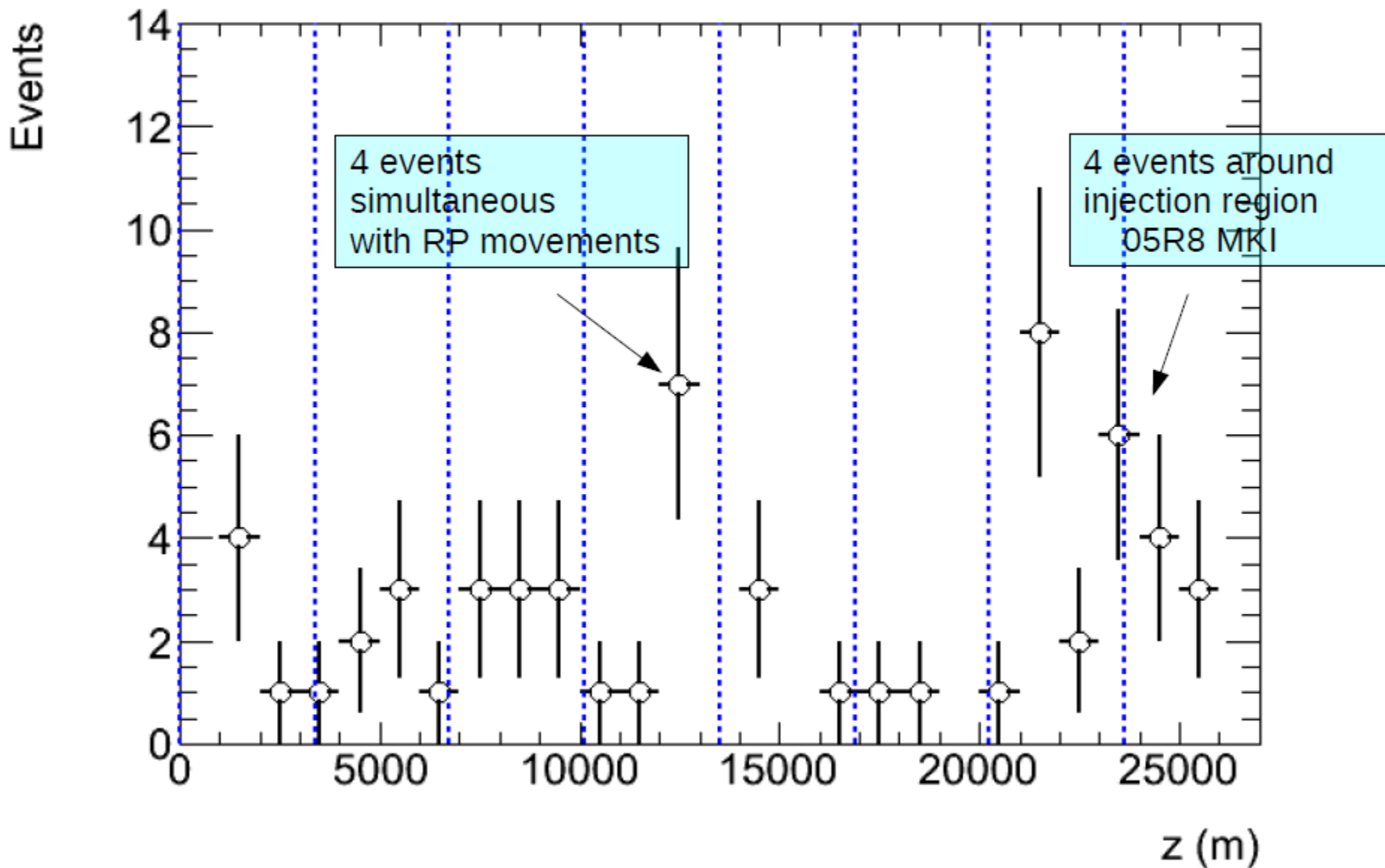
The UFO rate seems to increase linearly with intensity:

Extrapolating  
2000 Bunches => ~ 5.2 evts/hour

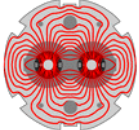
E. Nebot for the BLM team



# UFO: location

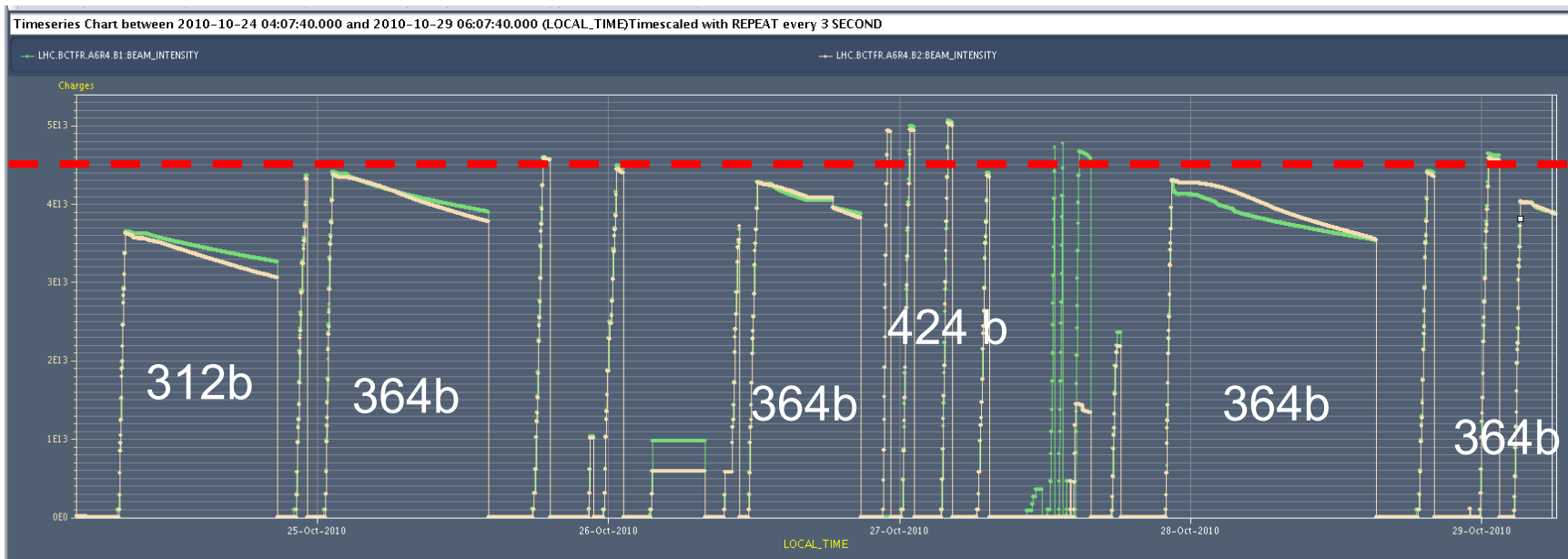


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# Intensity Reach 150 ns

4.35e13 p (?) → to be followed...

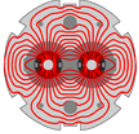


Stored energy reached at 3.5 TeV:

**28.0 MJ**

Stored energy at 3.5 TeV in stable beams:

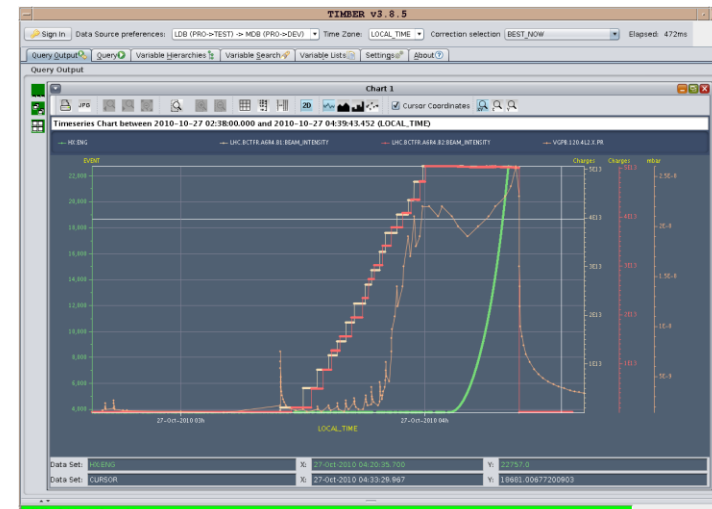
**24.4 MJ**

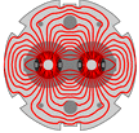


# Vacuum – a very brief history

## Initially

- 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





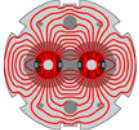
# Vacuum – move to 50 ns.

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- OK with batches of  $12 \cdot 50$  ns.
  - into stable beams with 108 bunches
  - instability noted at end of squeeze – cured with transverse feedback
- Move to batches of  $24 \cdot 50$  ns.
  - large pressure rises kick off in warm sections – including single beam pipe
  - pressure rises in some case enough to close valves
- Scrubbing noted
  - which apparently persists







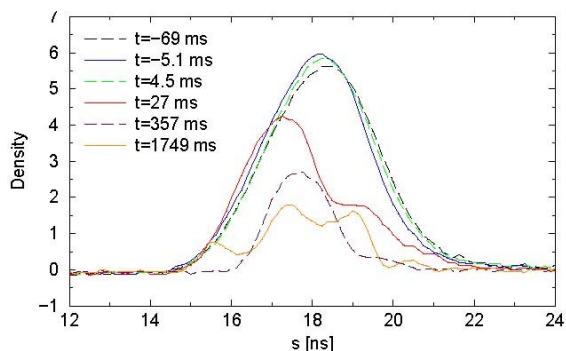
# Can e- cloud be a problem for s.c. hadron ring?

Frank Zimmermann - presentation to LHC MAC 10 June 2005

## RHIC

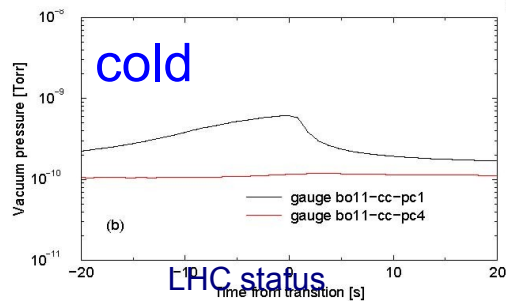
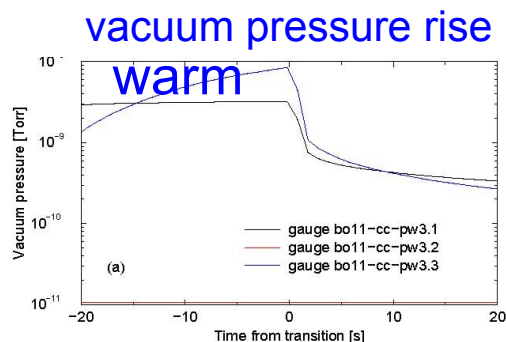
**At 108 ns bunch spacing**, electron cloud and electron-ion interactions cause **transverse instabilities**, **emittance growth**, and **beam loss**, along with **vacuum pressure rise and background increase**.

Electron cloud effects occur **both in the warm (30% of length) and cold (about 70%) regions**.

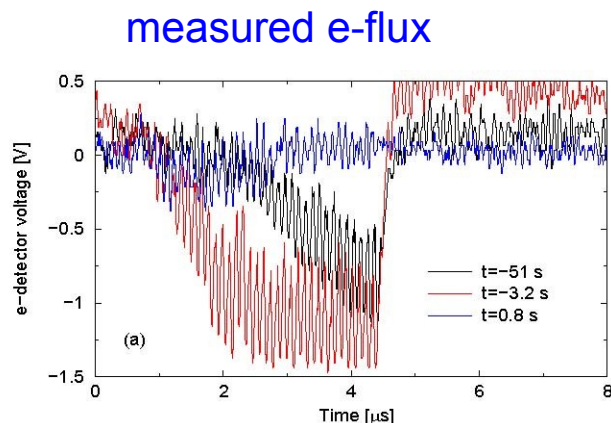


evolution of longitudinal profile during beam loss near  $\gamma_t$

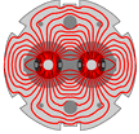
near  $\gamma_t$



LHC status



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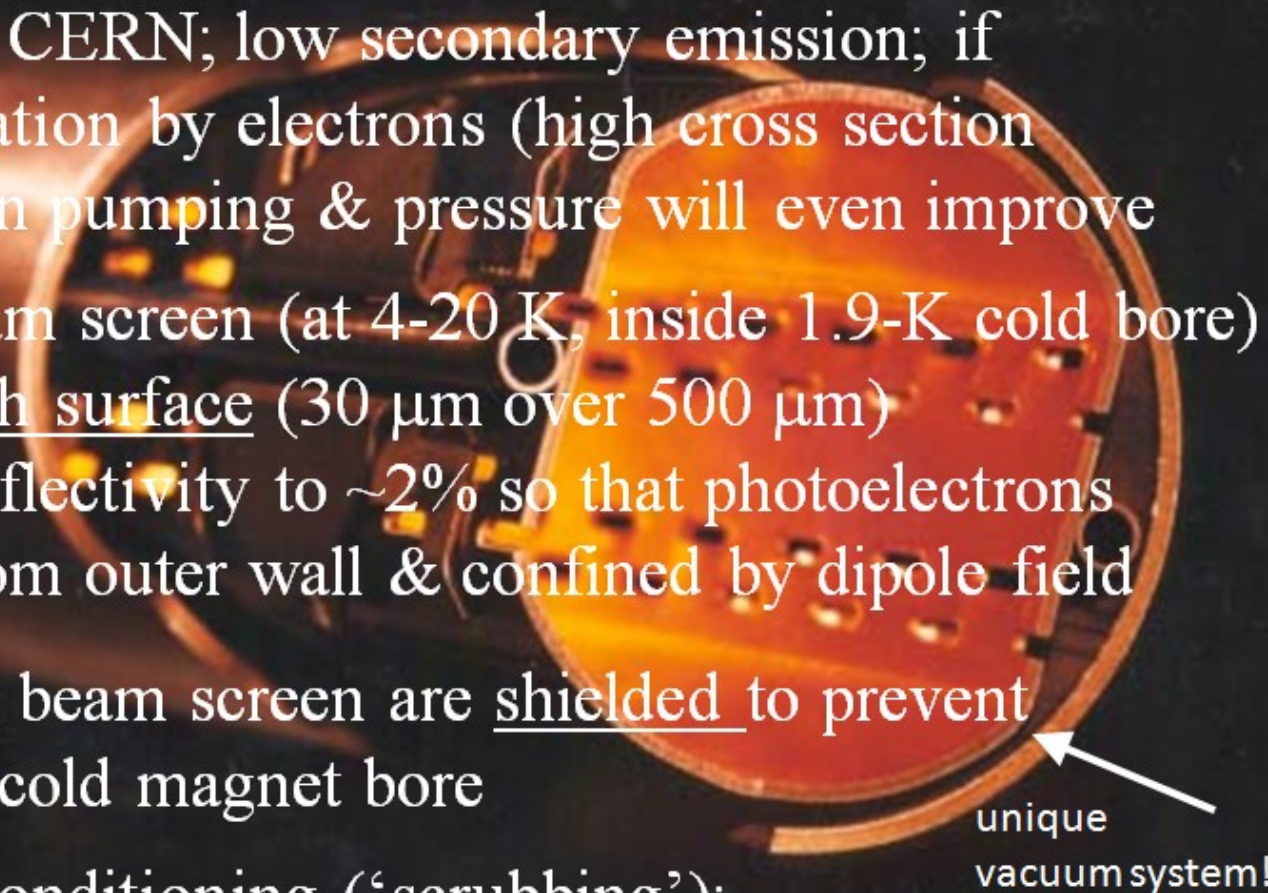
# electron cloud effects

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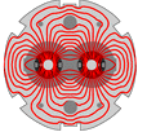
- vacuum pressure rise
- single-bunch instability
  - - interplay w. impedance & beam-beam
- multi-bunch instability
- incoherent emittance growth
- heat load in cold arcs (quench)
- perturbation of beam diagnostics

# LHC strategy against electron cloud

- 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  $\sim 400$  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



unique vacuum system!



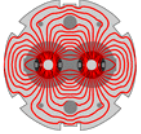
# Crash program of investigations with 50 ns

## Preliminary conclusions

- At 50-ns spacing strong evidence for large electron cloud build up in warm and cold sections
- Cold sections are of bigger concern
- In the arcs **significant heat load due to electron cloud has been observed**. Its reduction at high energy after scrubbing is not striking.
- Both heat load & instability in 3rd and 4th train indicate  $SEY \square_{\max} \sim 2.5$  in the arcs (larger than expected) at  $R=0.5$
- Av. e-cloud density  $\sim 6 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}^{-3}$  (from Q' effect)
- The evaluation of the behaviour with 75 ns beams at 450 GeV and comparison with the 50 ns beam in terms of pressure-rise heat load and beam stability **is necessary** **Next week: 2 to 3 days**

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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.

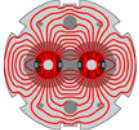
# IONS

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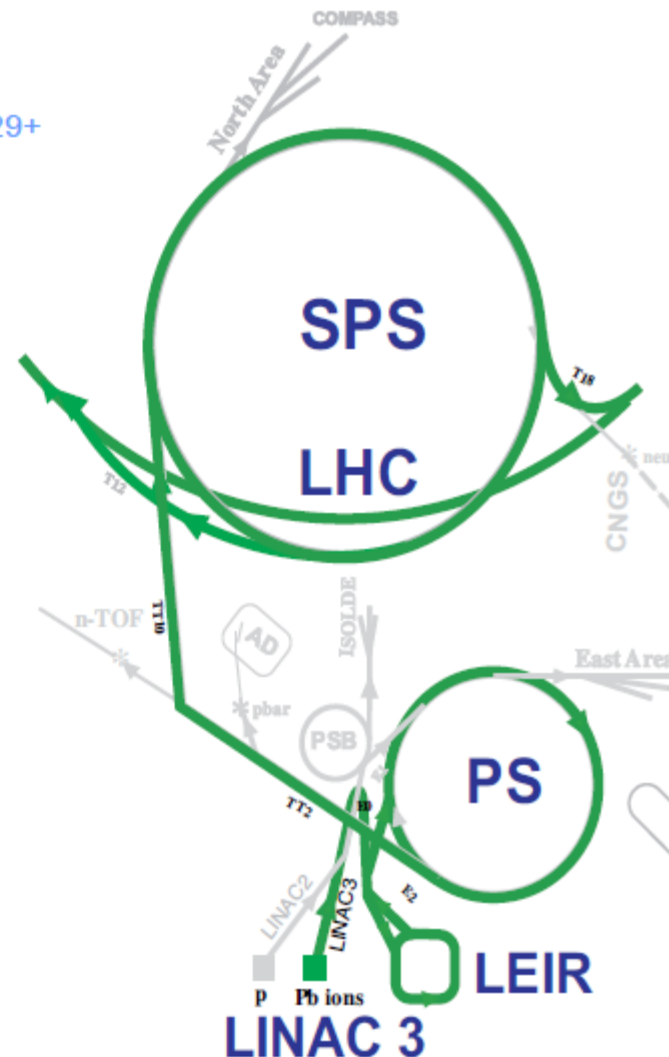


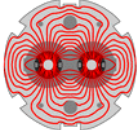
# A word from our suppliers



## Lead ion injector chain

- 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



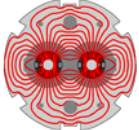


# Nominal ions through the chain

|                                | ECR Source             | Linac 3              | LEIR                 | PS                  | SPS                 | LHC                  |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Output energy                  | 2.5 KeV/u              | 4.2 MeV/u            | 72.2 MeV/u           | 5.9 GeV/u           | 177 GeV/u           | 2.76 TeV/u           |
| <sup>208</sup> Pb charge state | 29+                    | 29+ → 54+            | 54+                  | 54+ → 82+           | 82+                 | 82+                  |
| Output B <sub>p</sub> [Tm]     |                        | 2.12                 | 4.80                 | 86.7 → 57.3         | 1500                | 23350                |
| bunches/ring                   |                        | → 1.14               | 2 (1/8 of PS)        | 4                   | 52                  | 592                  |
| ions/pulse                     | 9 10 <sup>9</sup>      | 1.15 10 <sup>9</sup> | 9 10 <sup>8</sup>    | 4.8 10 <sup>8</sup> | 4.7 10 <sup>9</sup> | 4.1 10 <sup>10</sup> |
| ions/LHC bunch                 | 1.1 10 <sup>10</sup> . | 1.45 10 <sup>9</sup> | 2.25 10 <sup>8</sup> | 1.2 10 <sup>8</sup> | 9 10 <sup>7</sup>   | 7 10 <sup>7</sup>    |
| bunch spacing [ns]             |                        |                      |                      | 100                 | 100                 | 100                  |
| ε*(norm. rms) [μm]             | 0.07                   | 0.25                 | 0.7                  | 1.0                 | 1.2                 | 1.5                  |
| ε (phys., rms) [μm]            | 30                     | 2.6                  | 1.75                 | 0.14                | 0.0063              | 0.0005               |
| Repetition time [s]            | 0.2-0.4                | 0.2-0.4              | 3.6                  | 3.6                 | ~50                 | ~10'fill/ring        |

Been seeing around  $1.2 \times 10^8$  ions per bunch – very good



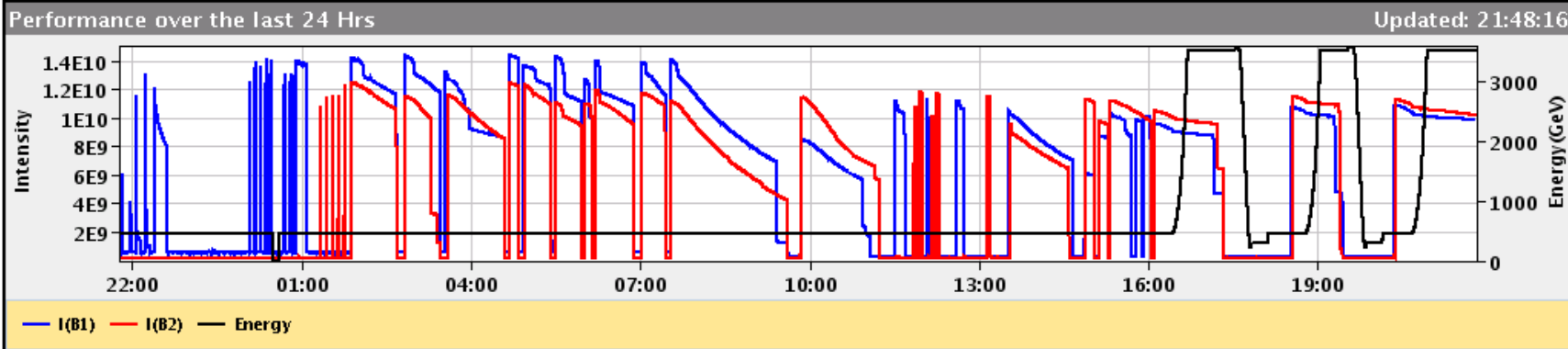


# Ion Commissioning: Thursday & Friday

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) <sup>-1</sup> | 0.000    | 0.000   | 0.000    | 0.000   |
| BRAN Luminosity (ub.s) <sup>-1</sup>    | 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**

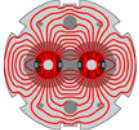


Beam 1 Inj.,  
Circ.  
& Capture

Beam 2  
Inj., Circ.  
& Capture

Optics Checks  
BI Checks  
Collimation Checks

First Ramp  
Collimation Checks  
Squeeze

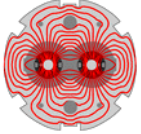


# Cunning wheeze – remembering Lorentz

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- Used the identical magnetic machine as used for protons until the very last moment:
  - Same ramp, squeeze to 3.5 m.
  - Kept separation and crossing angles the same
- Happily the BPMs for high intensity protons gave very close readings to low intensity ions
  - Same reference orbit more-or-less
  - Same collimator settings through ramp and squeeze
- Revalidate setup with loss maps and beam dumps
- Brought crossing angles to desired positions when going into collision
  - Set-up tertiary collimators in collision, validated
  - Collided and declared stable beams



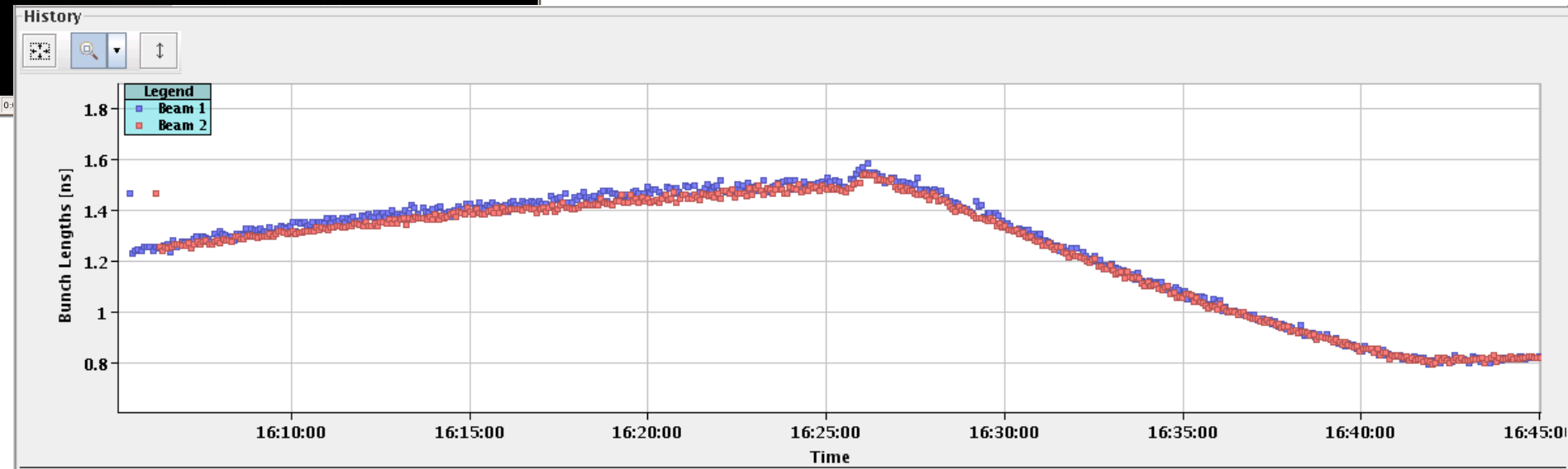


# Friday afternoon: first ramp – no losses

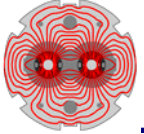


**World first:** observation of synchrotron light from nuclei

Appears around 0.55 Z TeV (later if filtered)

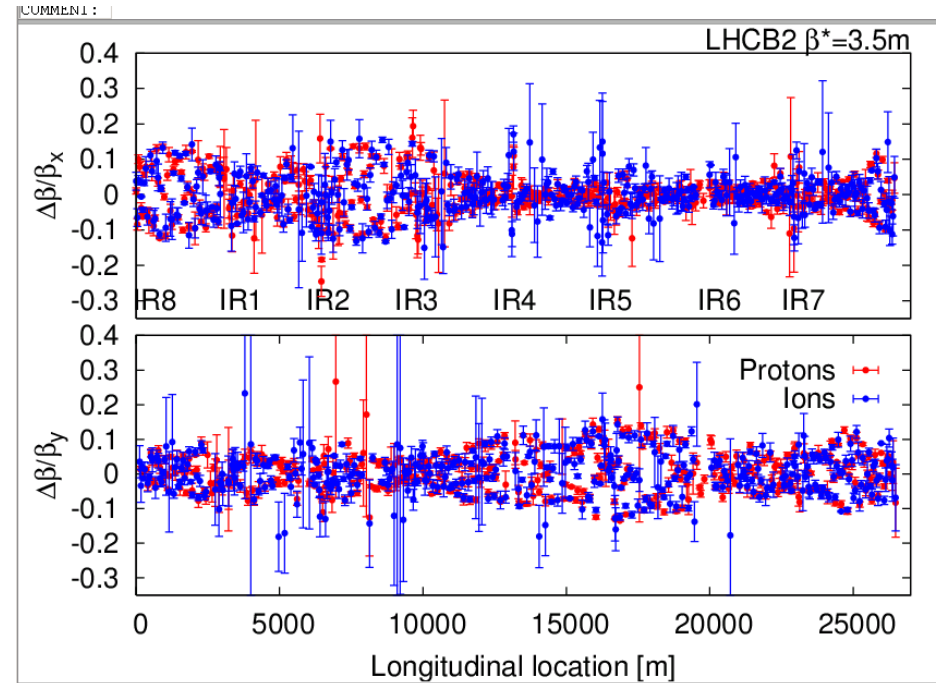
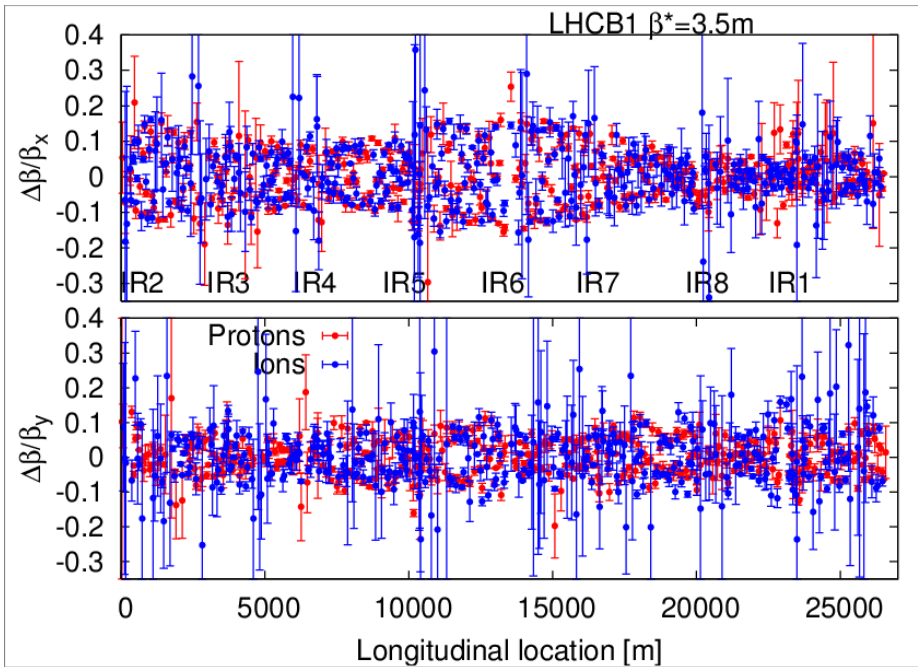


Bunch length increasing at injection (IBS), down during the ramp, increasing again at 3.5 TeV (IBS)

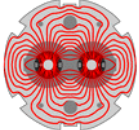


# Optics measurements at 3.5 Z TeV, squeezed

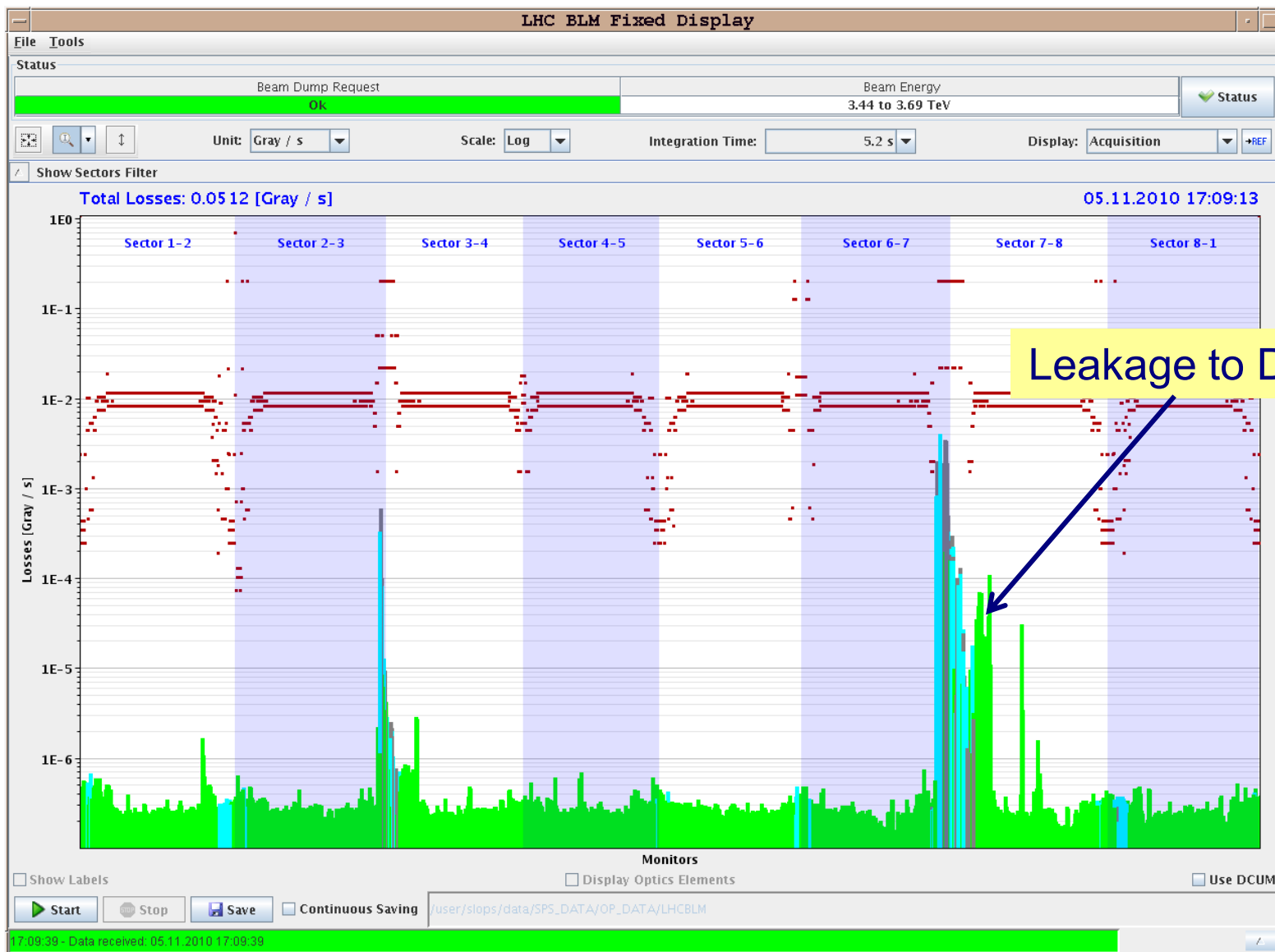
- Very similar to protons

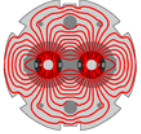


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# Betatron loss maps – 450 GeV

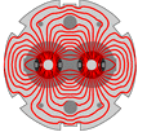




# Conclusions from collimation team

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- We lose about a factor 50-100 in cleaning efficiency for ions compared to protons.
  - Expected (ion fragmentation and dissociation)
- Main losses in predicted locations, namely the dispersion suppressor magnets.
- At injection a large 10% leakage into IR1 from IR3 losses for beam 2 has been observed for positive momentum errors.
- It is not clear what ion species escapes IR3 and travels to IR1.
- To be analysed in detail.

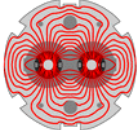


# Ions - conclusions

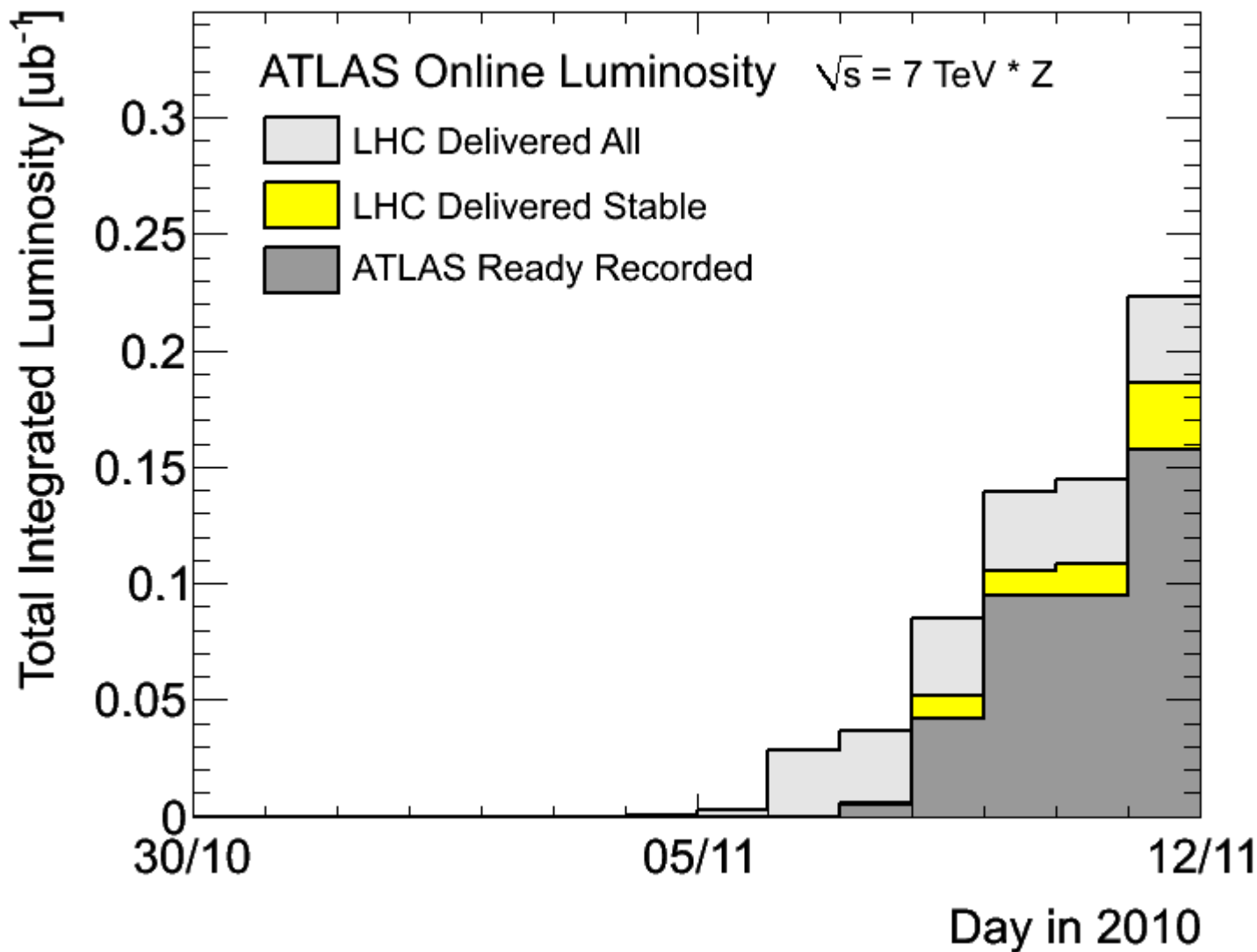
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- Very swift commissioning period leveraging proton set-up to the maximum.
  - pushing though 2 – 17 – 69 toward 120 bunches per beam
  - Peak luminosity around  $6 \times 10^{24} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  with 69 bunches
- Injectors are giving 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

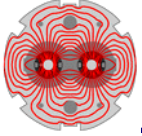
*John Jowett*



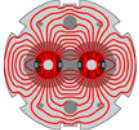
# Despite some problems...







**2011**



# Draft LHC schedule 2011 Q1 & Q2

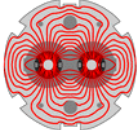
|    | Jan |                |    | Feb |                        |    | Mar |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----|-----|----------------|----|-----|------------------------|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Wk | 52  | 1              | 2  | 3   | 4                      | 5  | 6   | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Mo |     | 3              | 10 | 17  | 24                     | 31 | 7   | 14 | 21 | 28 | 7  | 14 | 21 |
| Tu |     |                |    |     |                        |    |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| We |     |                |    |     |                        |    |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| Th |     | Technical stop |    |     | Hardware commissioning |    |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| Fr |     |                |    |     |                        |    |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| Sa | 1   |                |    |     |                        |    |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| Su |     |                |    |     |                        |    |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |

Re-commissioning with beam (pointing to Mar 8)  
 Close ring (pointing to Feb 7)

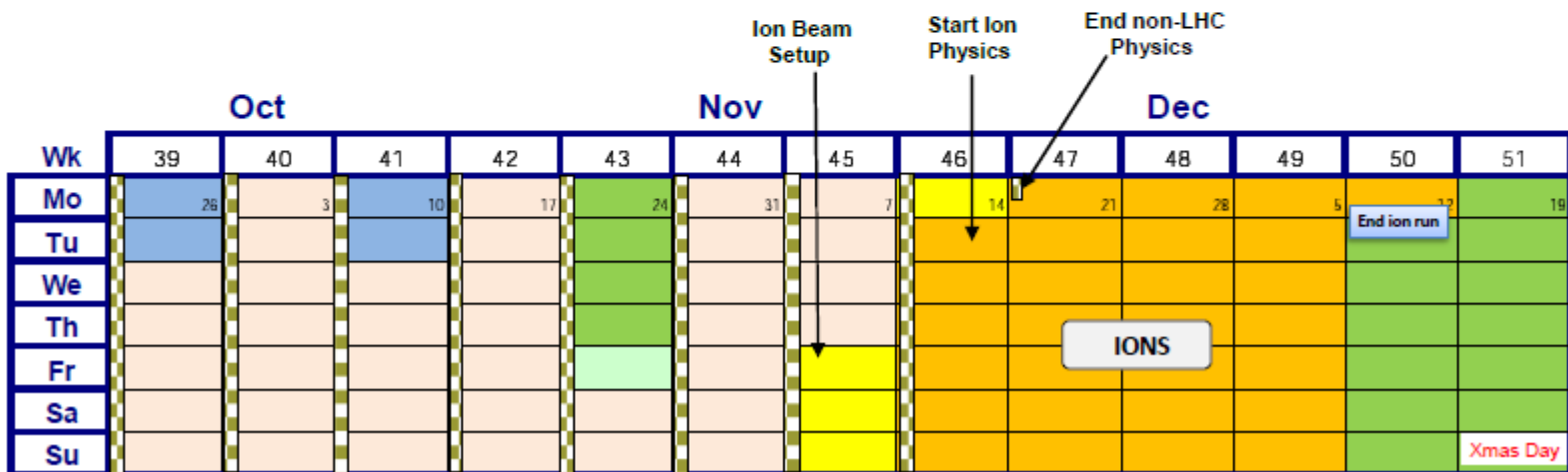
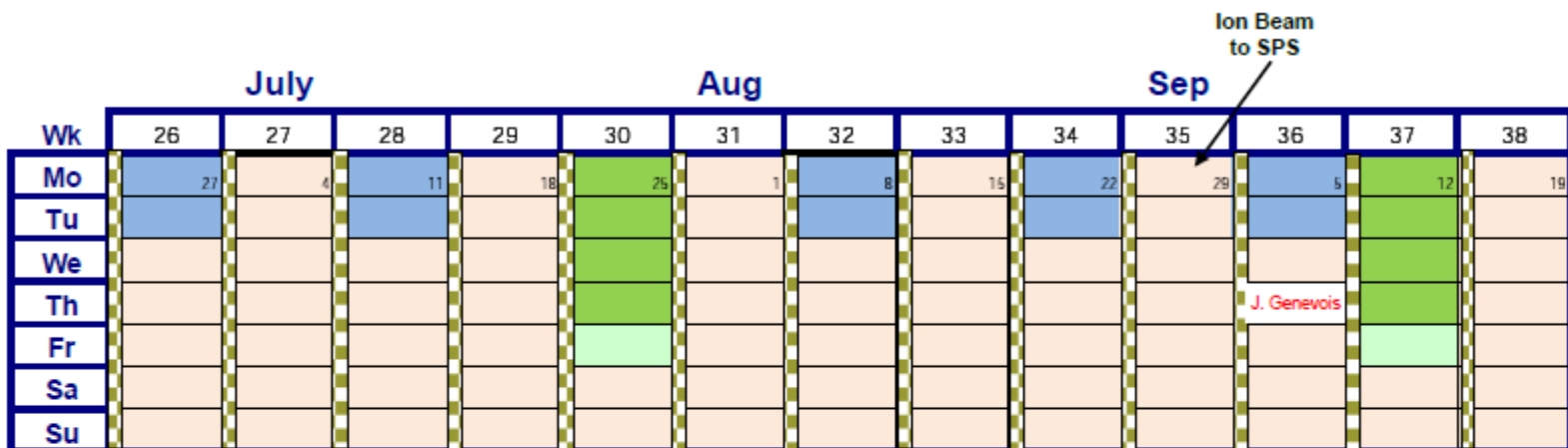
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|----|-----|----|----|-----------|---------|----|------|----|----|-----------|----|------|----|----|
| Wk | 13  | 14 | 15 | 16        | 17      | 18 | 19   | 20 | 21 | 22        | 23 | 24   | 25 |    |
| Mo | 28  | 4  | 11 | 18        | Easter  | 2  | 9    | 16 | 23 | 30        | 6  | Whit | 13 | 20 |
| Tu |     |    |    |           |         |    |      |    |    |           |    |      |    |    |
| We |     |    |    |           |         |    |      |    |    |           |    |      |    |    |
| Th |     |    |    |           |         |    |      |    |    |           |    |      |    |    |
| Fr |     |    |    | G. Friday |         |    |      |    |    | Ascension |    |      |    |    |
| Sa |     |    |    |           |         |    |      |    |    |           |    |      |    |    |
| Su |     |    |    |           | 1st May |    |      |    |    |           |    |      |    |    |

Start non-LHC physics program (pointing to Apr 15)

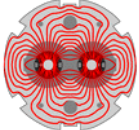
- Technical Stop
- Re-commissioning with beam
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- Ion run
- Ion setup



# Draft LHC schedule 2011 Q3 & Q4



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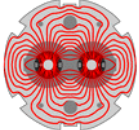


# 2011 - summary

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- Beam back around 21<sup>st</sup> February
- 2 weeks re-commissioning with beam (at least)
- 4 day technical stop every 6 weeks
- Count 1 day to recover from TS (optimistic)
- 2 days machine development every 2 weeks or so
- 4 days ions set-up
- 4 weeks ion run
- End of run – 12<sup>th</sup> December

**~200 days proton physics**



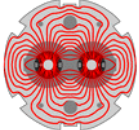
# 2011: “reasonable” numbers

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- 4 TeV (to be discussed at Chamonix)
- 936 bunches (75 ns)
- 3 micron emittance
- $1.2 \times 10^{11}$  protons/bunch
- $\beta^* = 2.5$  m, nominal crossing angle
- Hubner factor 0.2

|                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Peak luminosity    | $6.4 \times 10^{32}$ |
| Integrated per day | 11 pb <sup>-1</sup>  |
| 200 days           | 2.2 fb <sup>-1</sup> |
| Stored energy      | 72 MJ                |

*Usual warnings apply – see problems, problems above*



# Ultimate reach

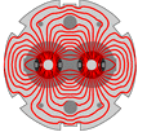
$1.6 \times 10^{11}$  ppb and emittance of 2 microns at 3.5 TeV respects the robustness limits of the collimation system (equivalent to ultimate intensity)

*Ralph Assmann*

- 4 TeV
- 1400 bunches (50 ns)
- 2.5 micron emittance
- $1.5 \times 10^{11}$  protons/bunch
- $\beta^* = 2.0$  m, nominal crossing angle
- Hubner factor 0.2

|                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Peak luminosity    | $2.2 \times 10^{33}$  |
| Integrated per day | $38 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  |
| 200 days           | $7.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ |
| Stored energy      | 134 MJ                |

*Usual warnings particularly apply – see problems, problems above*



The LHC team is  
tired and emotional.