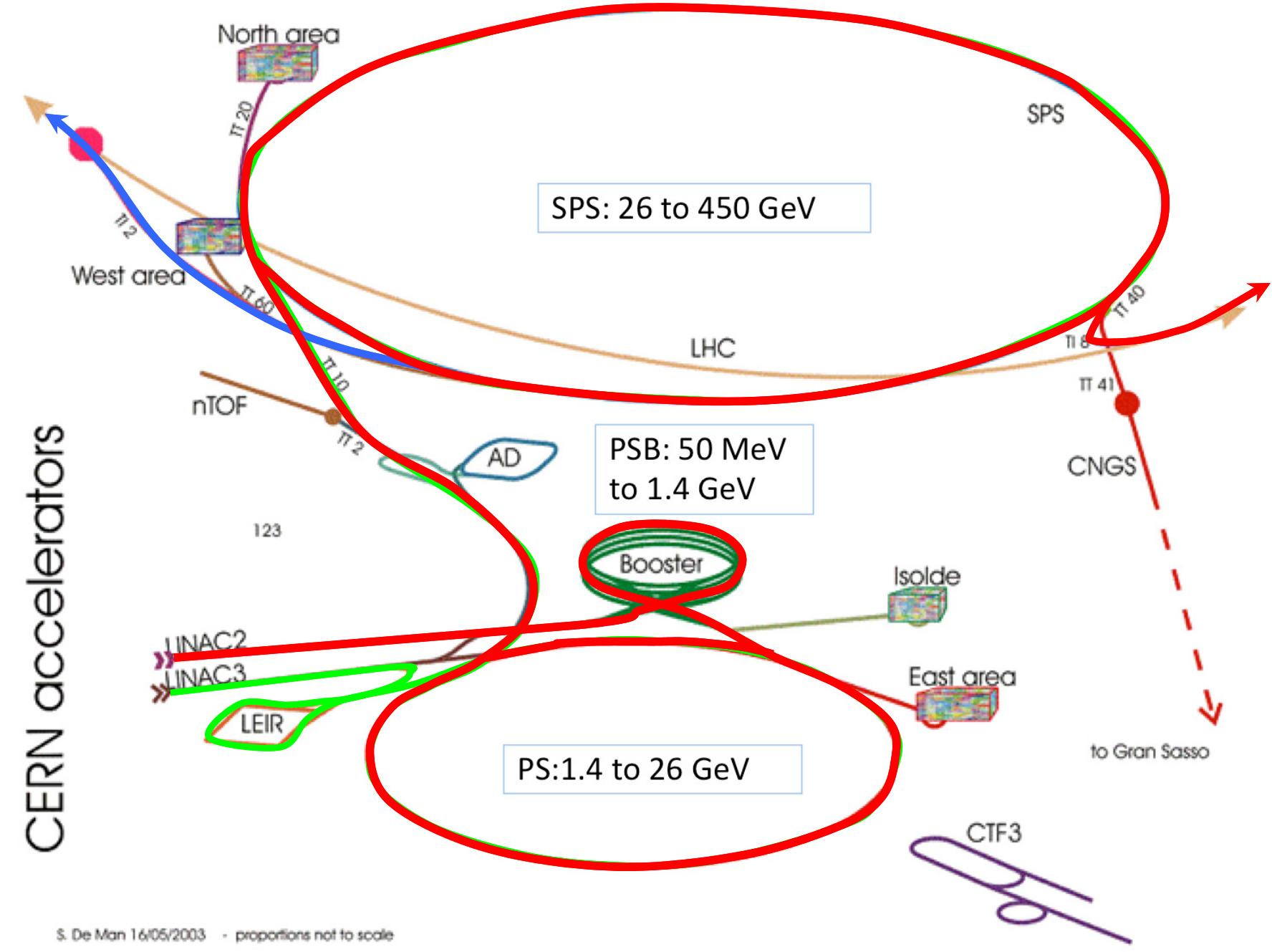


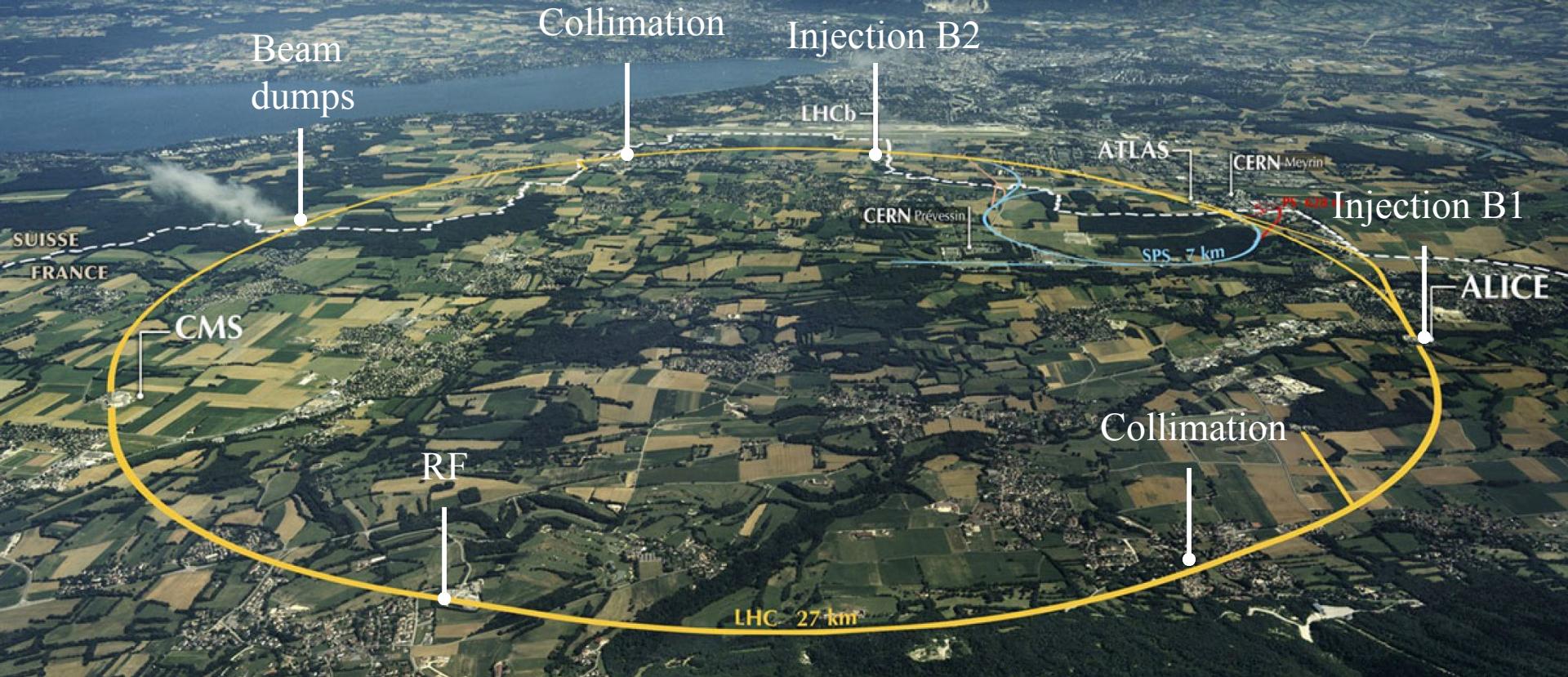


# **The First Years of LHC Operation for Luminosity Production**

Mike Lamont  
for the LHC team



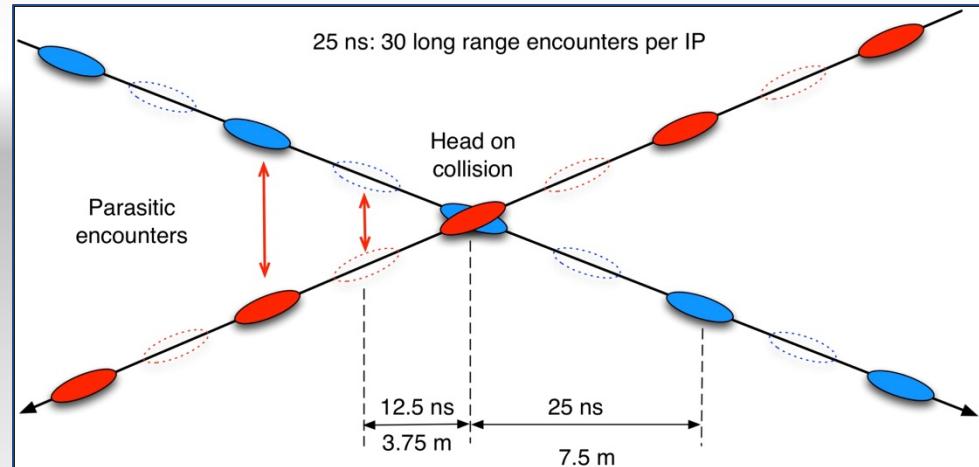
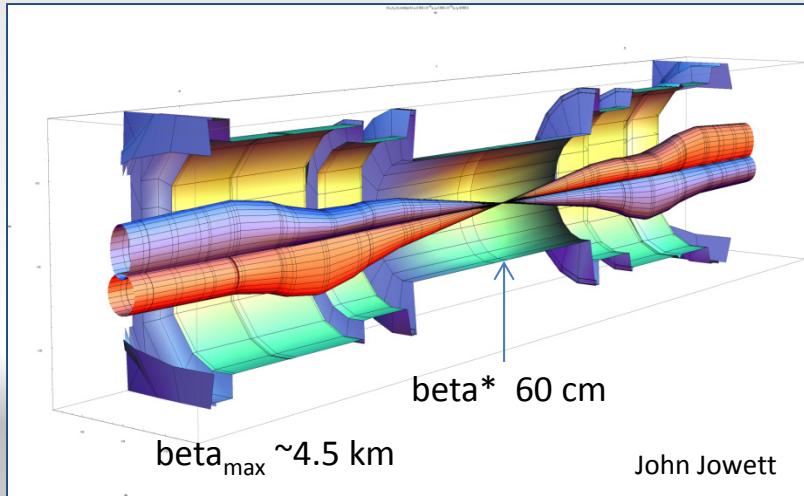
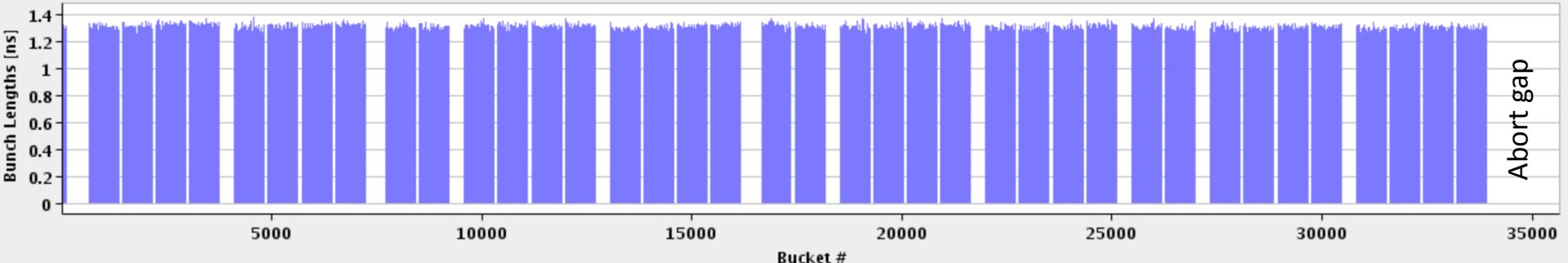
# LHC: big, cold, high energy



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  
140 MJ stored beam energy in 2012  
450 MJ magnetic energy per sector at 4 TeV

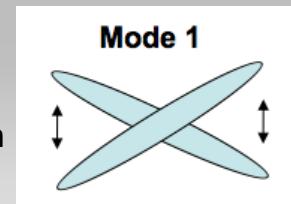
# LHC bunch structure





**June**

Commission nominal bunch intensity



**Feb 27**

Beam back

**March 30**

First collisions  
3.5 TeV

February

March

April

May

June

## QUALIFICATION

July

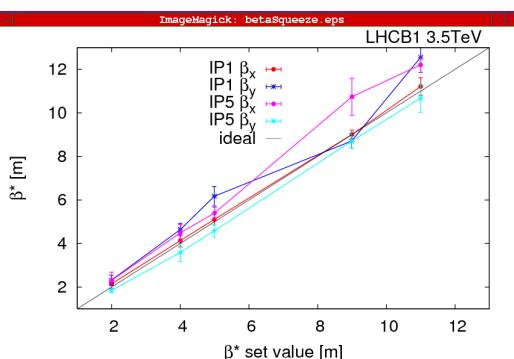
August

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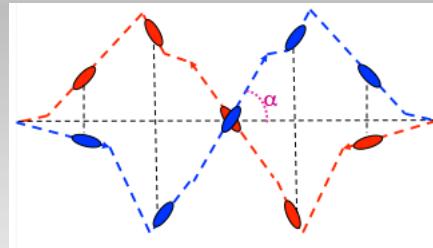
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November

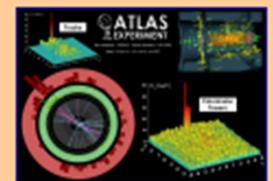
**April**  
Commission squeeze



**September**  
Crossing angles on

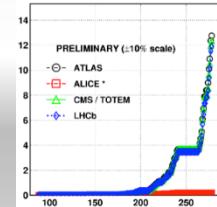


**November:** jet "quenching" in HI



**November 4**

Switch to lead ions



**October 14 2010**

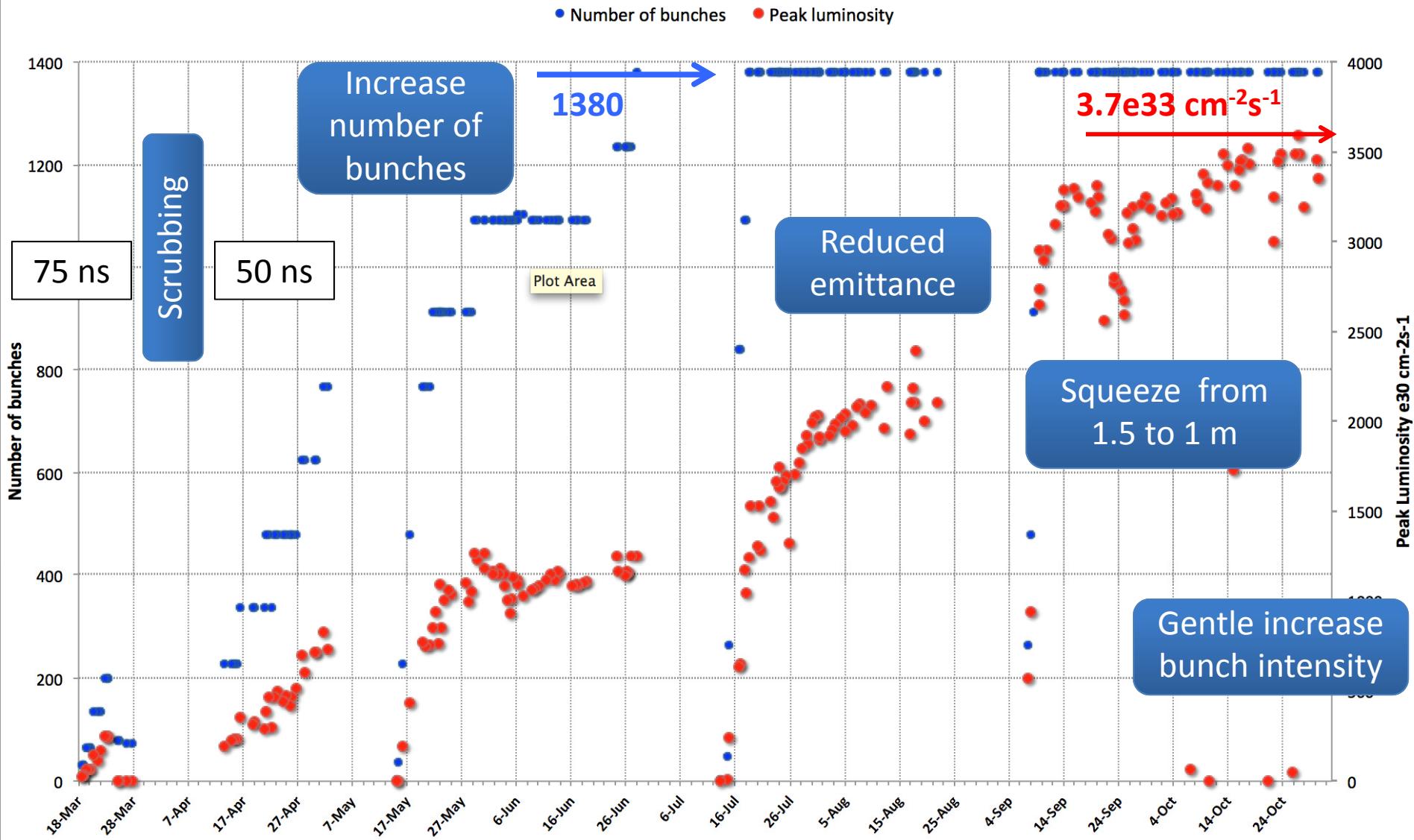
$1e32$   
248 bunches

**2010**

Total for year:  $50 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

# 2011

3.5 TeV  
Beta\* = 1.5 m





We delivered  $5.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  to Atlas in 2011 and all we got was a blooming tee shirt

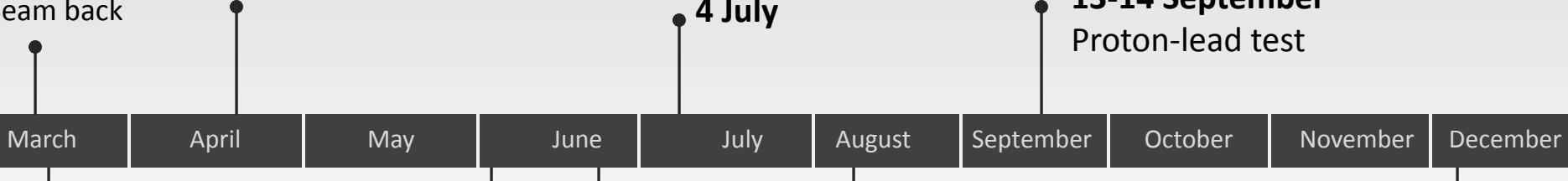
4 TeV  
50 ns  
 $\text{Beta}^* = 60 \text{ cm}$   
Tight collimator settings



**18 April**  
1380 bunches  
 $5.5 \text{e}33 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

**March 15**

Beam back

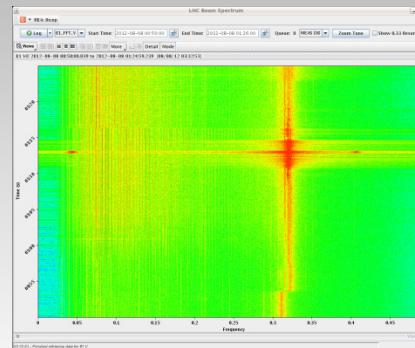


**March 18**  
Squeezed to 60 cm

**6 June**  
 $6.8 \text{e}33 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$



**18 June: end running period**  $\sim 6.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for summer conferences



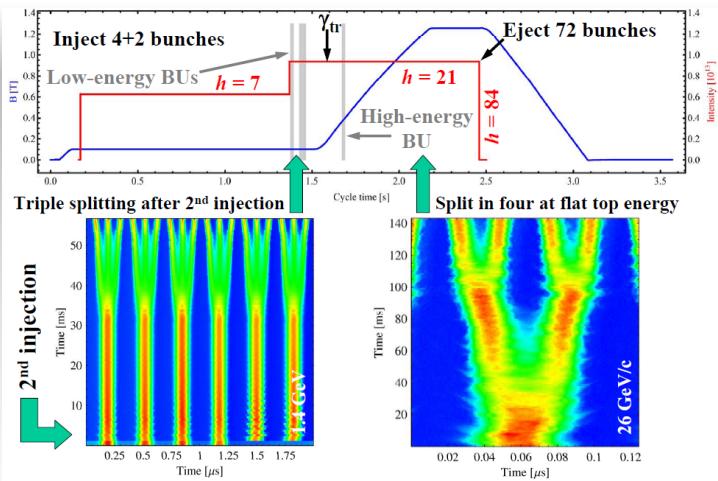
**13-14 September**  
Proton-lead test

**December**  
25 ns scrubbing run

**2012**

# Performance from injectors 2012

Bunch spacing [ns]	Protons per bunch [ppb]	Norm. emittance H&V [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] Exit SPS
50	$1.7 \times 10^{11}$	1.8
25	$1.2 \times 10^{11}$	2.7
25 (design report)	$1.15 \times 10^{11}$	3.75



→ Each bunch from the Booster divided by  $6 \rightarrow 6 \times 3 \times 2 \times 2 = 72$

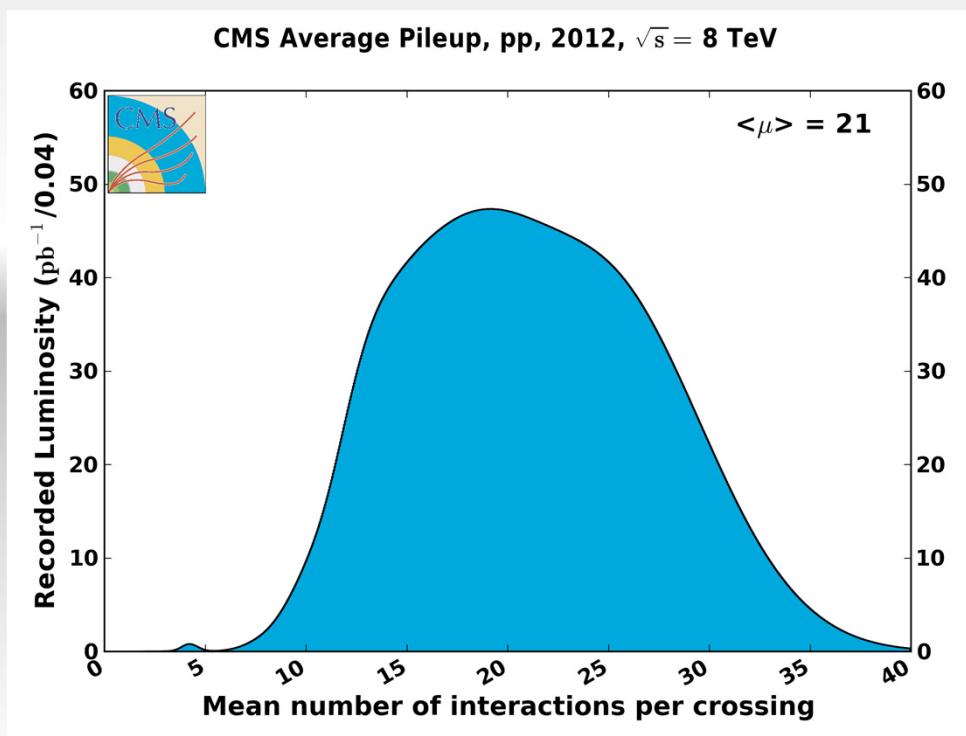
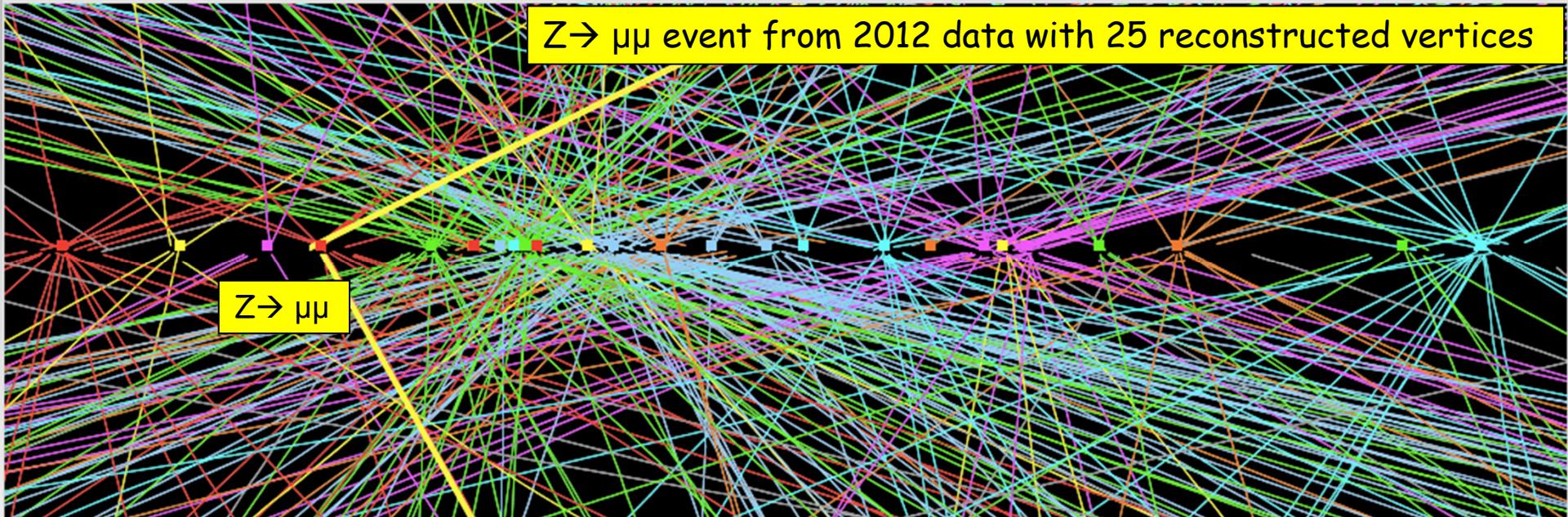
Chose to stay with 50 ns:

- $I_b^2$
- lower total intensity
- less of an electron cloud challenge

# Peak performance through the years

	2010	2011	2012	Nominal
Bunch spacing [ns]	150	50	50	25
No. of bunches	368	1380	1380	2808
beta* [m] ATLAS and CMS	3.5	1.0	0.6	0.55
Max bunch intensity [protons/bunch]	$1.2 \times 10^{11}$	$1.45 \times 10^{11}$	$1.7 \times 10^{11}$	$1.15 \times 10^{11}$
Normalized emittance [mm.mrad]	~2.0	~2.4	~2.5	3.75
Peak luminosity [cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ]	$2.1 \times 10^{32}$	$3.7 \times 10^{33}$	$7.7 \times 10^{33}$	$1.0 \times 10^{34}$

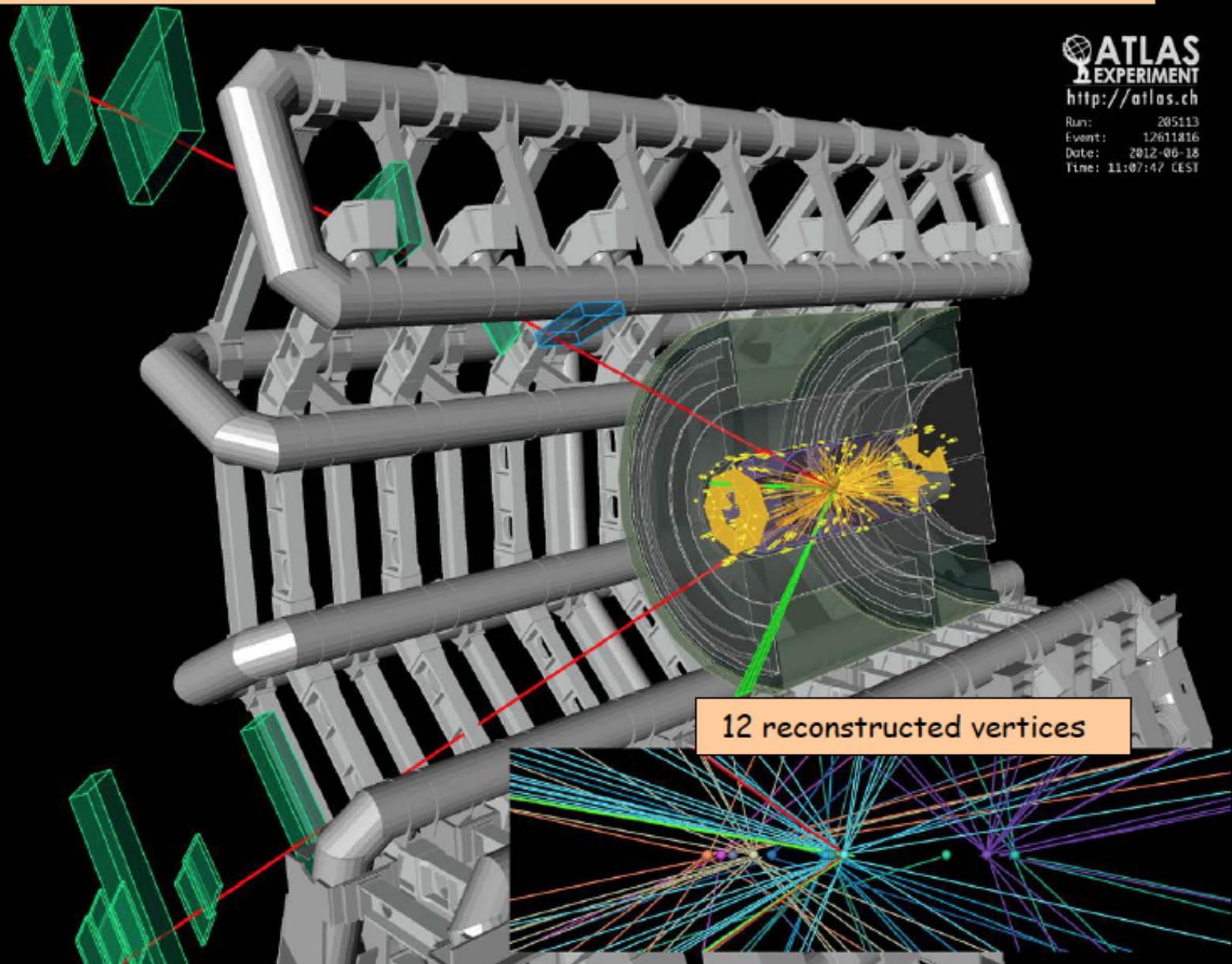
Z $\rightarrow$   $\mu\mu$  event from 2012 data with 25 reconstructed vertices



$2e2\mu$  candidate with  $m_{2e2\mu} = 123.9 \text{ GeV}$

$p_T(e, e, \mu, \mu) = 18.7, 76, 19.6, 7.9 \text{ GeV}, m(e^+e^-) = 87.9 \text{ GeV}, m(\mu^+\mu^-) = 19.6 \text{ GeV}$

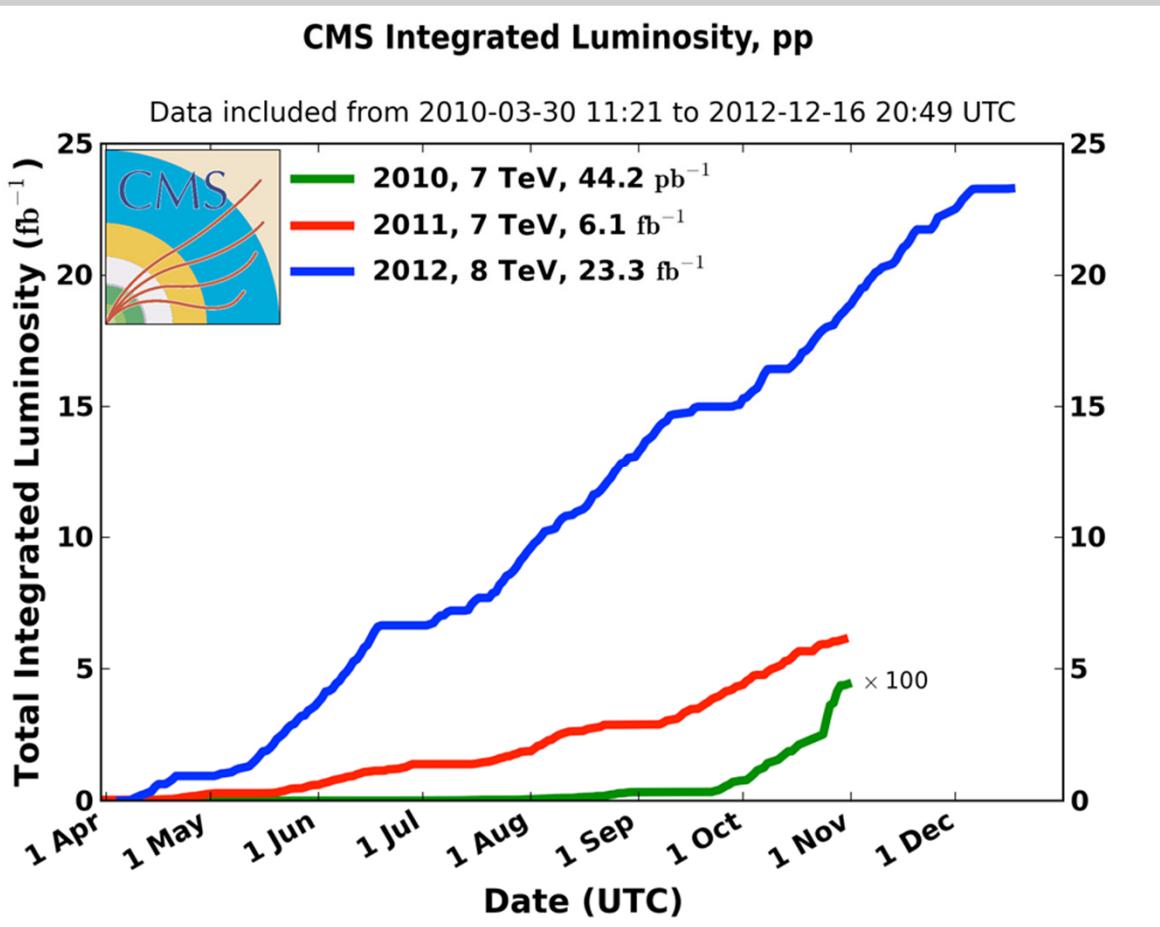
**ATLAS**  
EXPERIMENT  
<http://atlas.ch>  
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Event: 12611816  
Date: 2012-06-18  
Time: 11:07:47 CEST



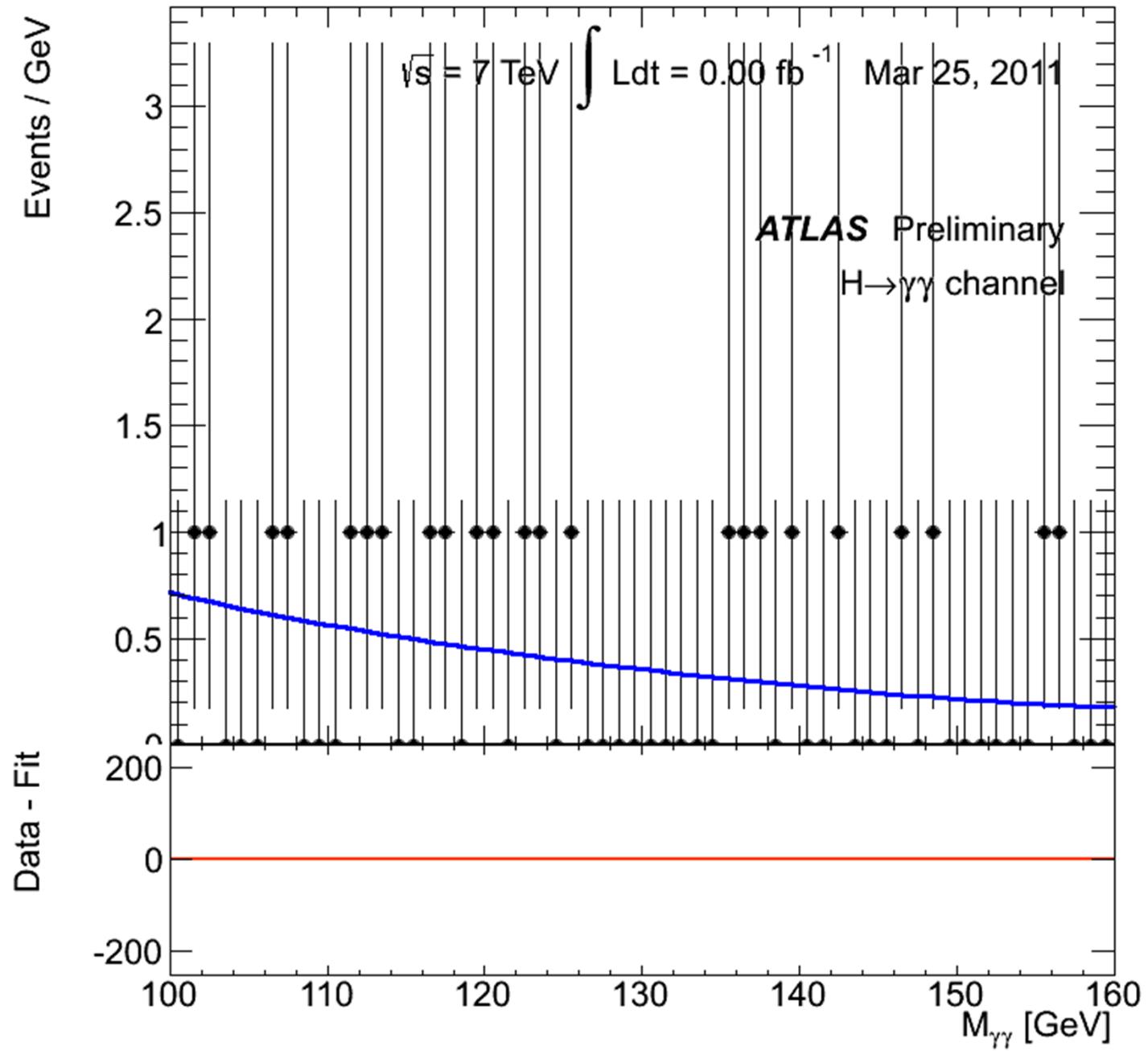
# **Operational efficiency has, at least occasionally, been not so bad**

	2010	2011	2012
Max. luminosity in one fill [pb <sup>-1</sup> ]	6	122	237
Max. luminosity delivered in 7 days [pb <sup>-1</sup> ]	25	584	1350
Longest time in stable beams for 7 days	69.9 hours (41.6%)	107.1 hours (63.7%)	91.8 hours (54.6%)

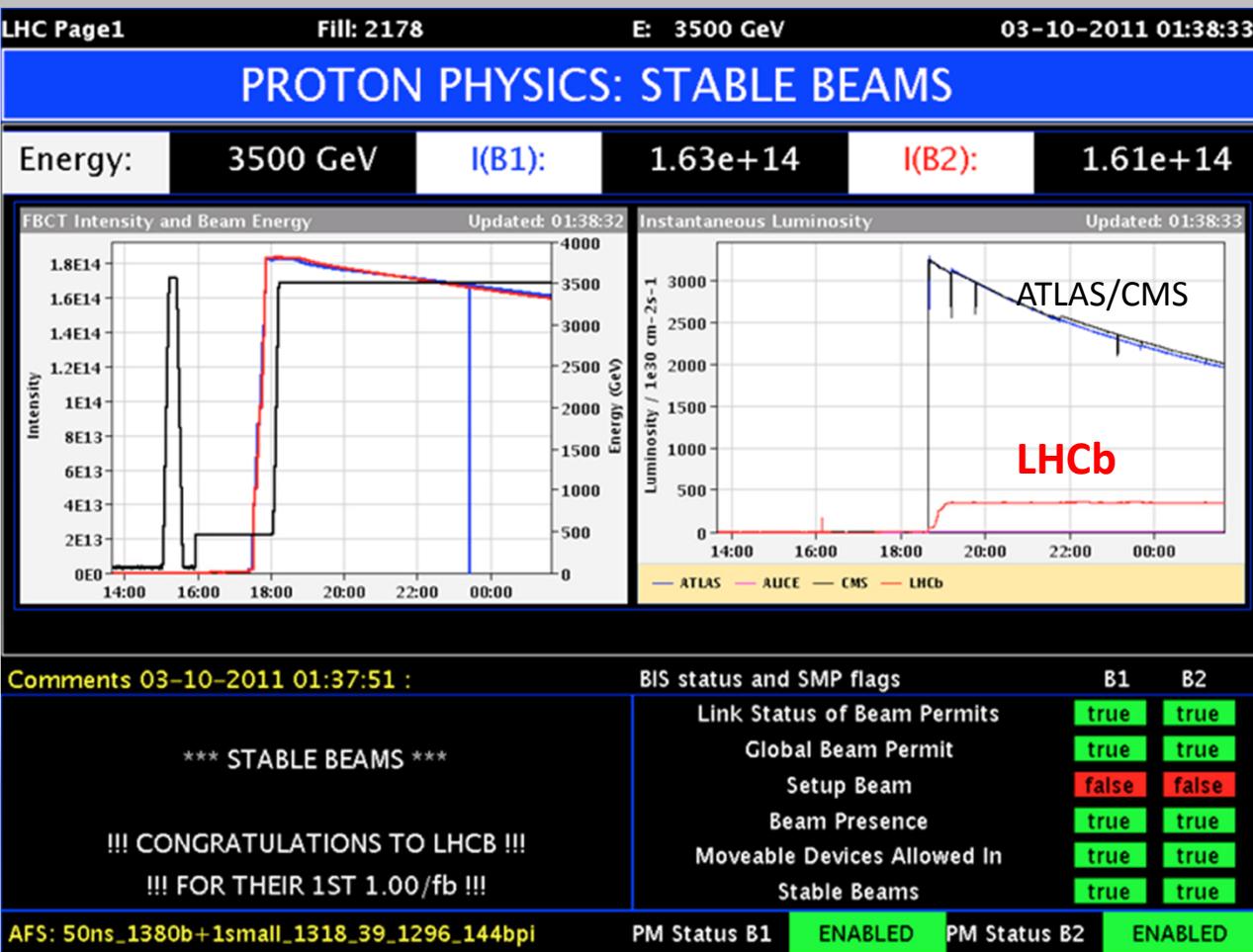
# Integrated luminosity 2010-2012



- 2010: **0.04  $\text{fb}^{-1}$** 
  - 7 TeV CoM
  - Commissioning
- 2011: **6.1  $\text{fb}^{-1}$** 
  - 7 TeV CoM
  - Exploring the limits
- 2012: **23.3  $\text{fb}^{-1}$** 
  - 8 TeV CoM
  - Production



# LHCb

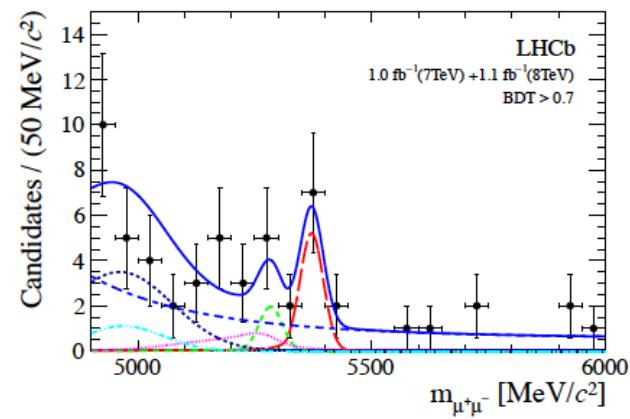


Luminosity levelling at around  $4\text{e}32 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  via transverse separation (with a tilted crossing angle)

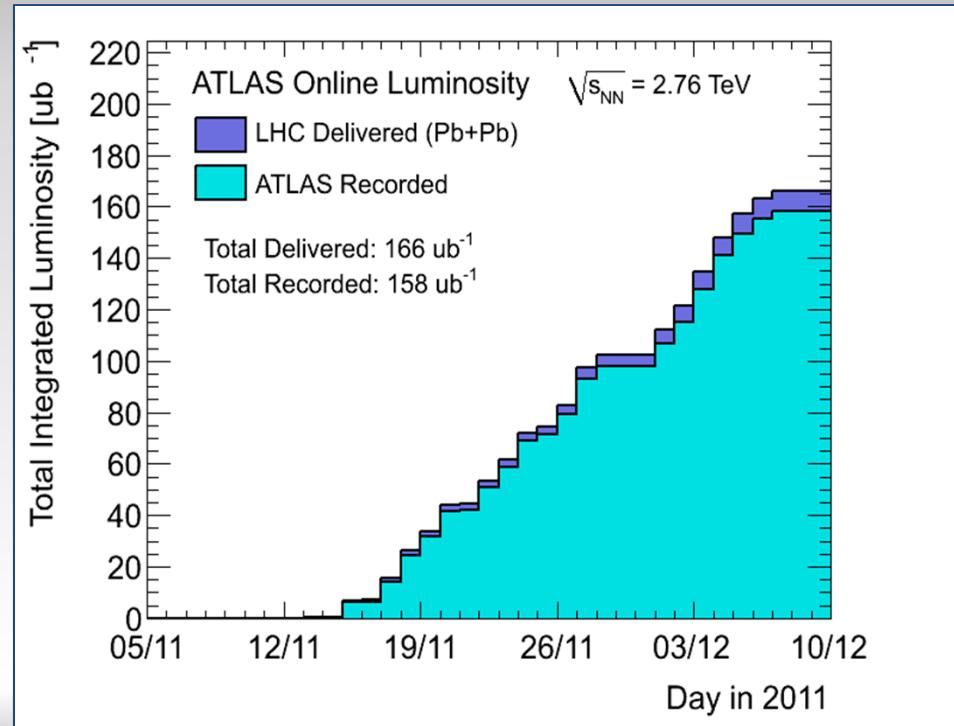
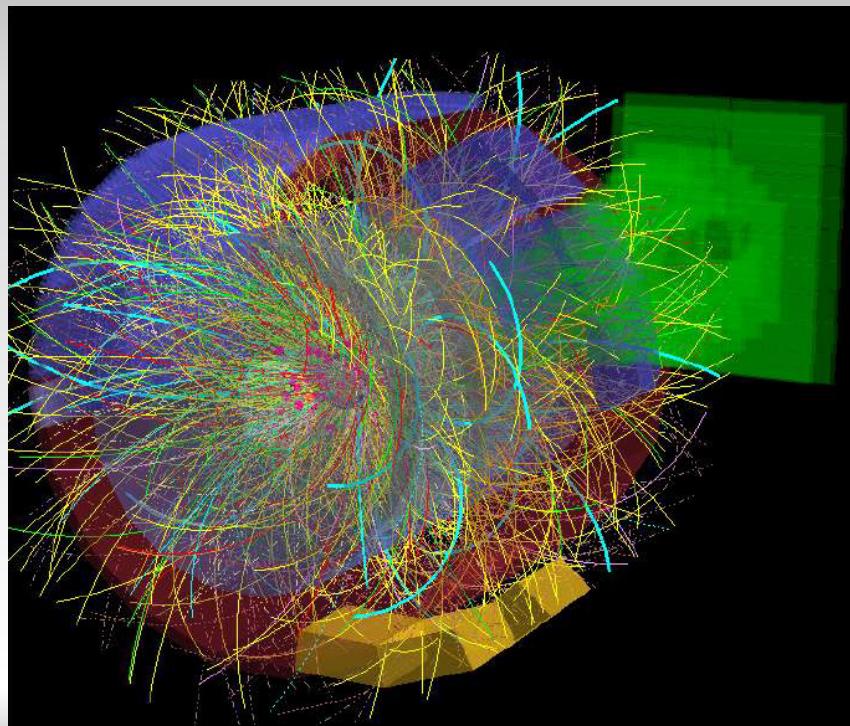


**Not completely trivial!**

**First evidence for the decay  $\text{Bs} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$**



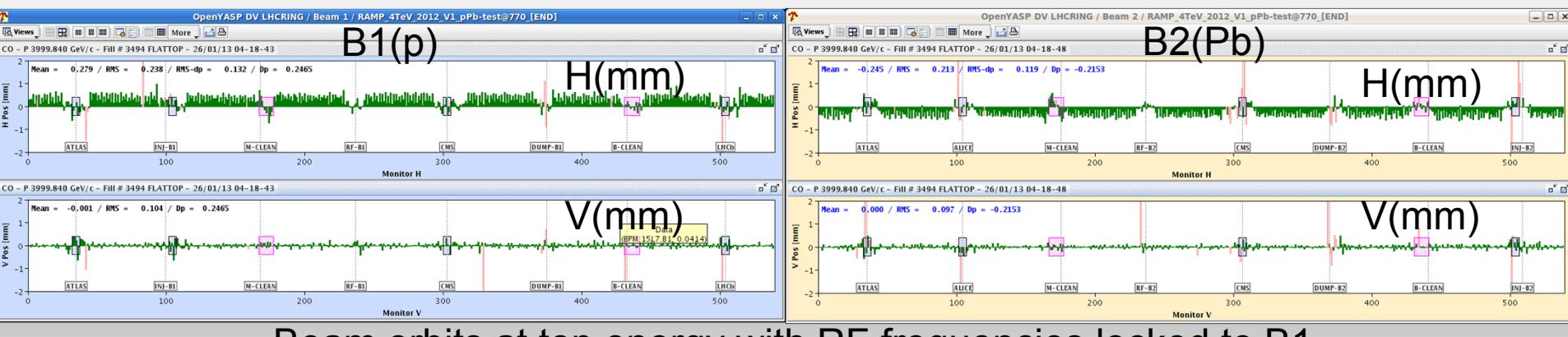
# Pb-Pb



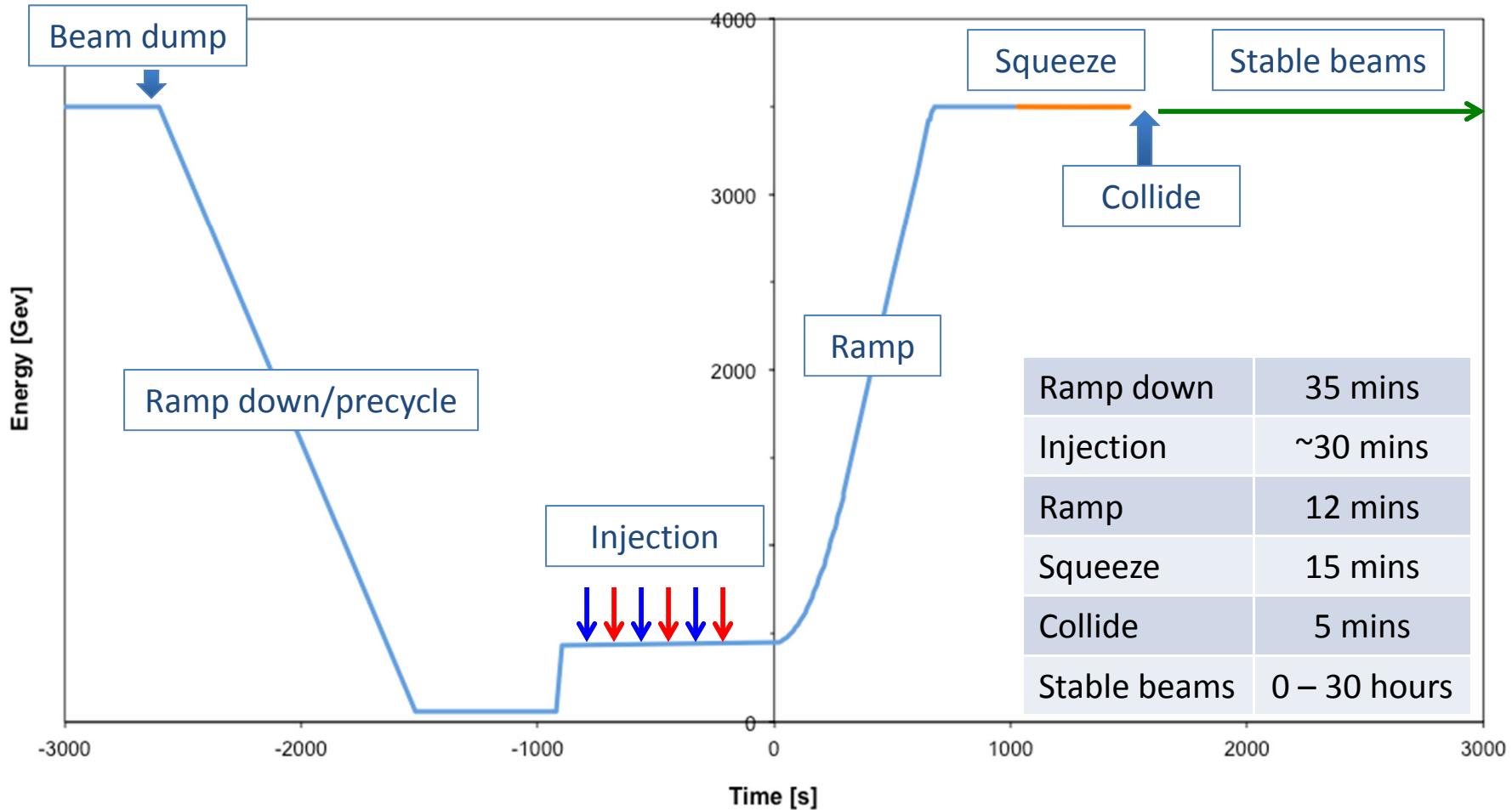
- Good performance from the injectors - bunch intensity and emittance
- Preparation, Lorentz's law: impressively quick switch from protons to ions
- Peak luminosity around  $5 \times 10^{26} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  at 3.5Z TeV – nearly twice design when scaled to 6.5Z TeV

# Proton-lead

- Beautiful result
- Final integrated luminosity above experiments' request of  $30 \text{ nb}^{-1}$
- Injectors: average number of ions per bunch was  $\sim 1.4 \times 10^8$  at start of stable beams, i.e. around **twice the nominal intensity**

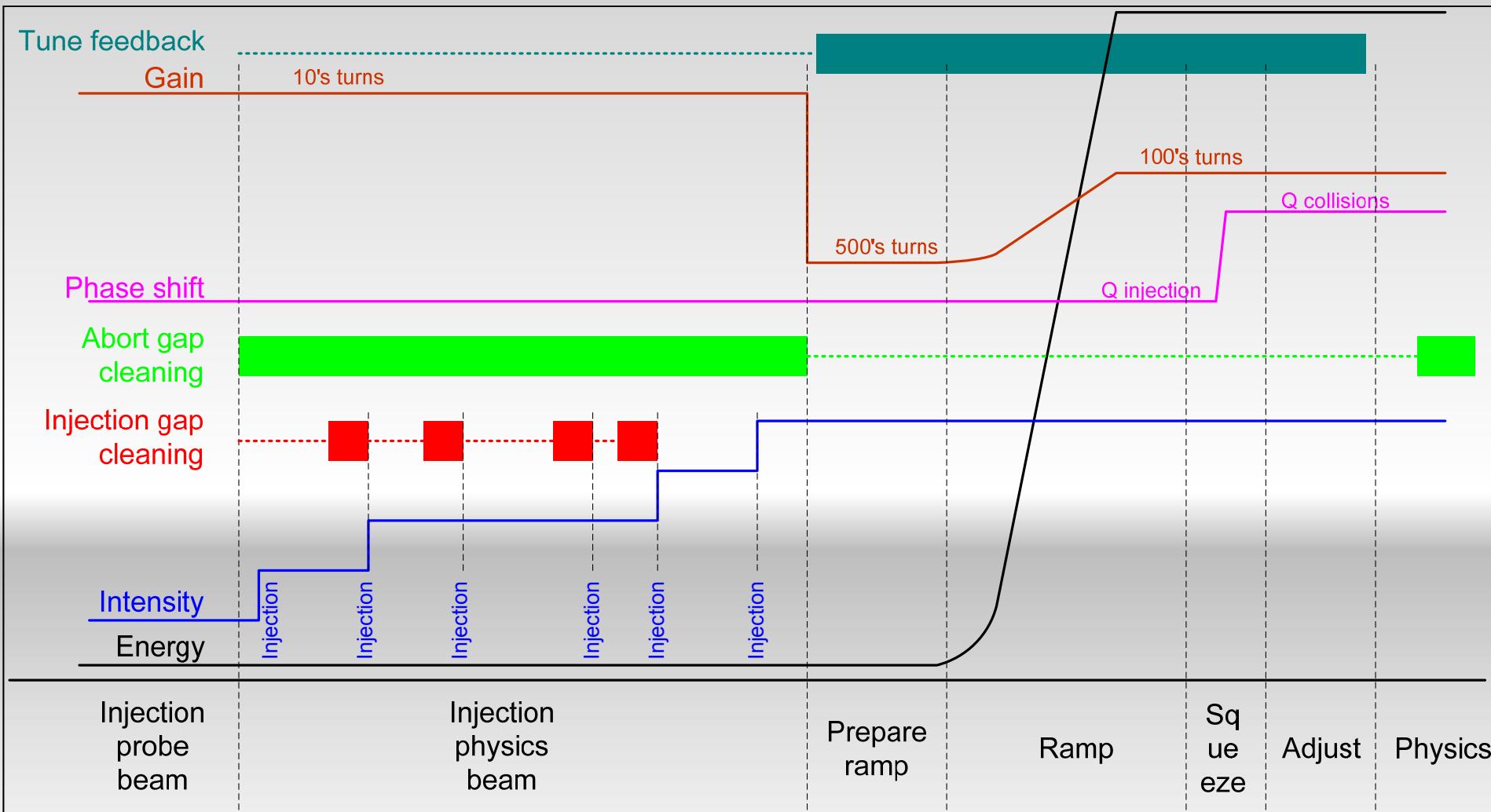


# Operational cycle

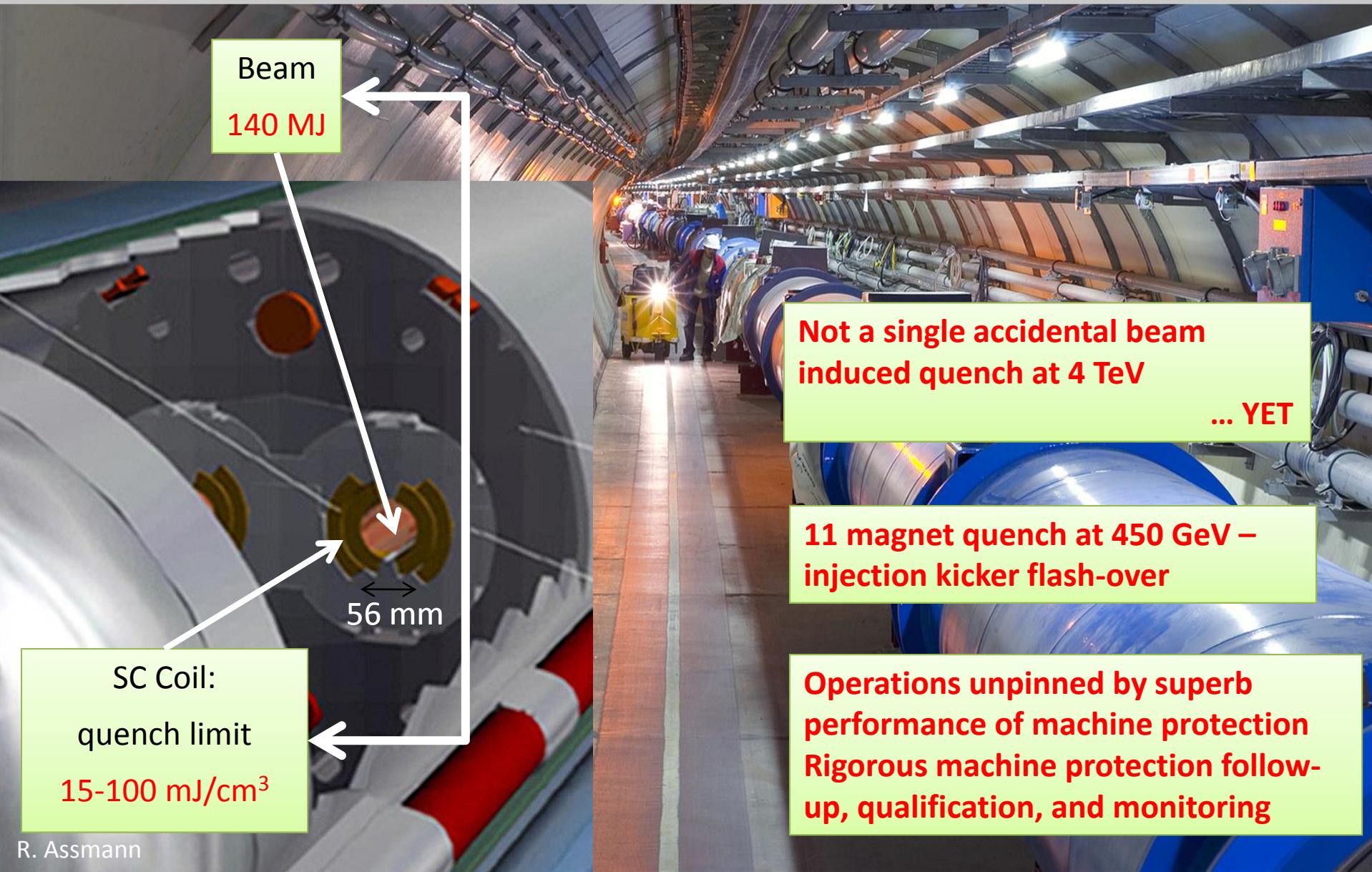


Turn around 2 to 3 hours on a good day

# Example – transverse feedback

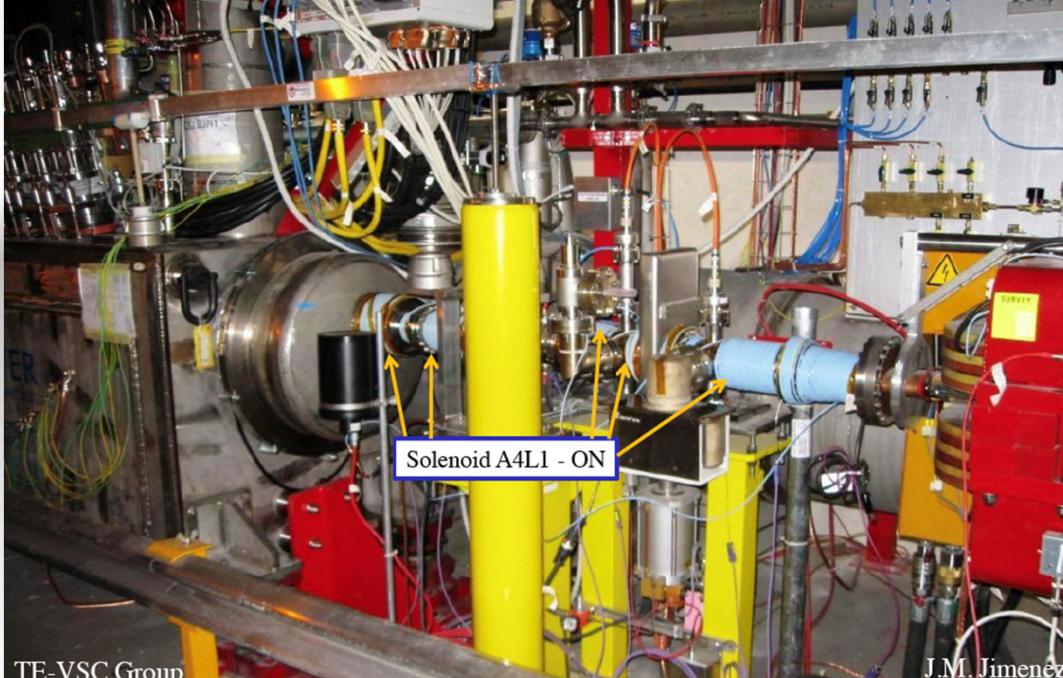


# Machine protection



# System performance

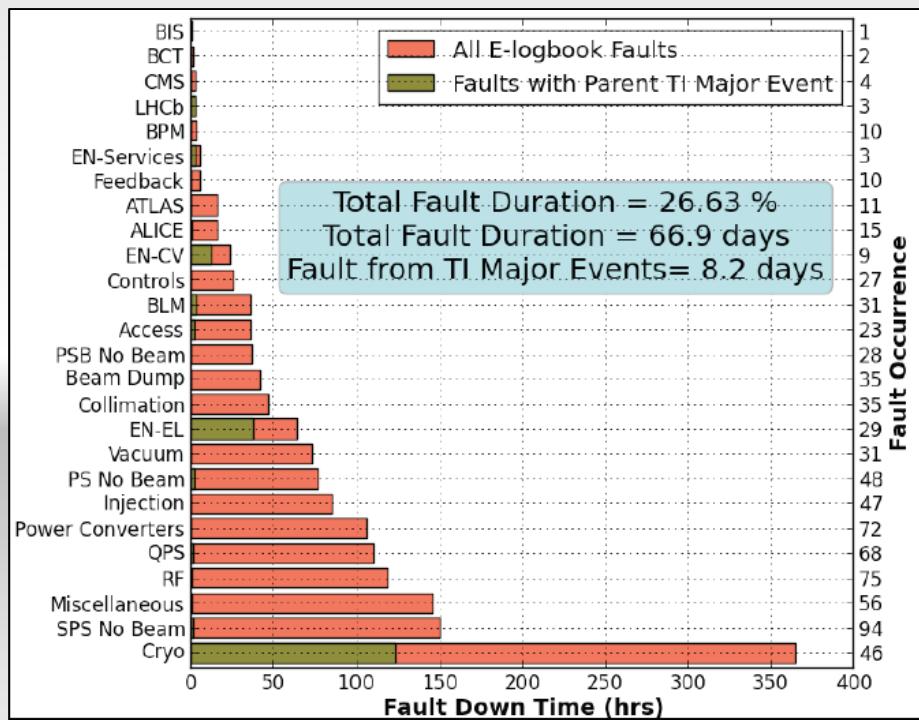
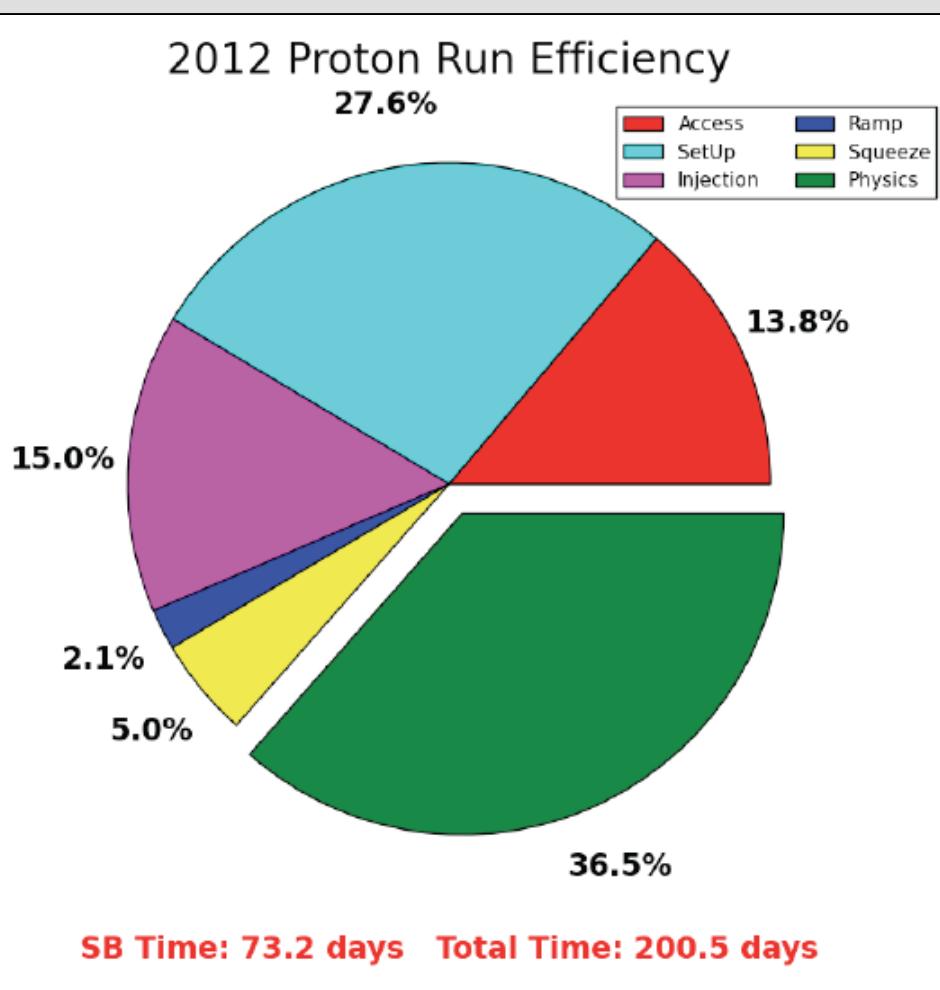
- RF, power converters, collimators, beam dumps, injection, magnets, vacuum, transverse feedback, machine protection
- Magnets, magnet protection & associated systems
- Beam instrumentation and beam based feedbacks
- Controls, databases, high level software
- Cryogenics, survey, technical infrastructure,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



Impossible to do justice to the commitment and effort that's gone in to getting, and keeping, the LHC operational

# Availability

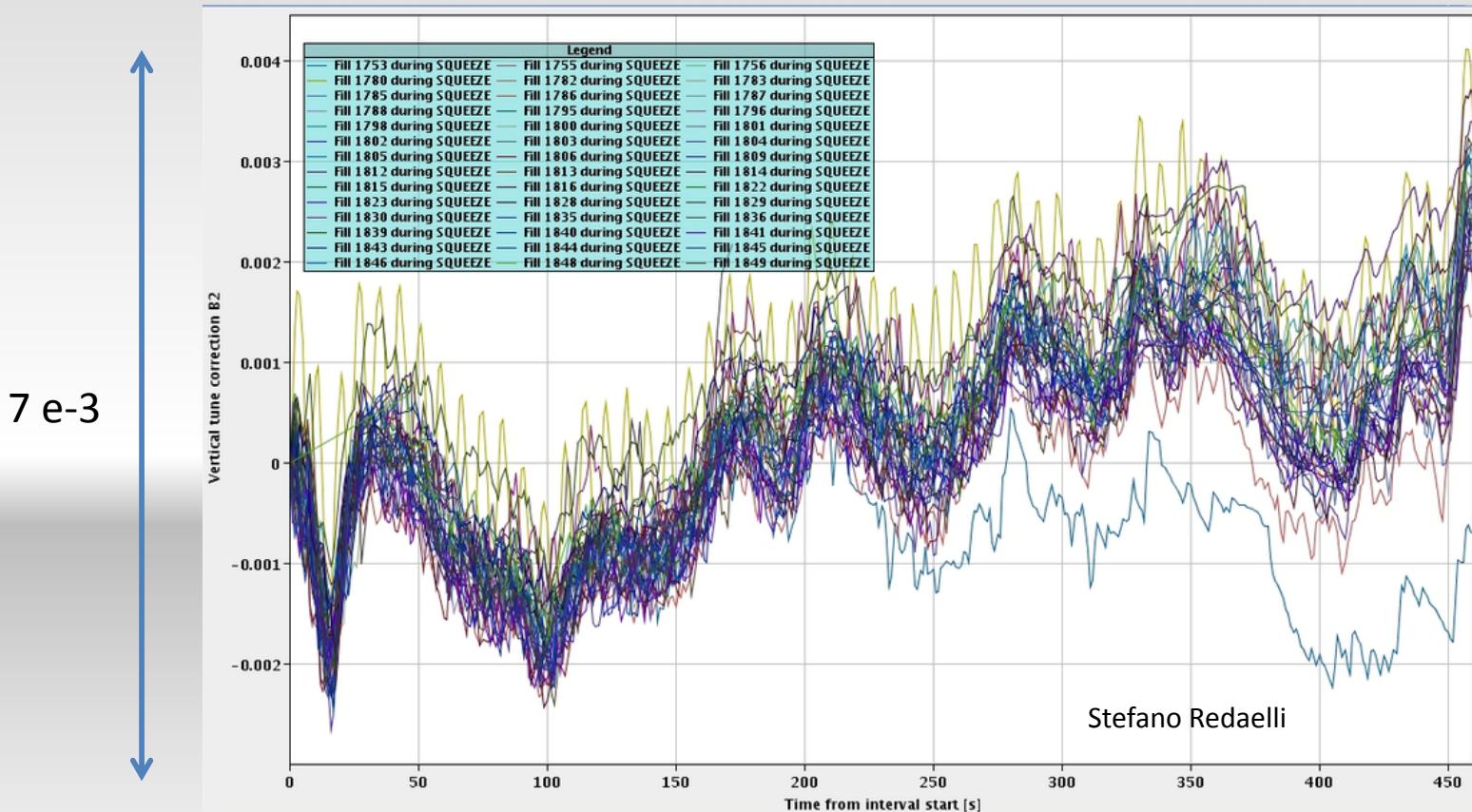
- There are a lot of things that can go wrong – it's always a battle
- Pretty good availability considering the complexity and principles of operation



**Cryogenics availability in 2012: 93.7%**

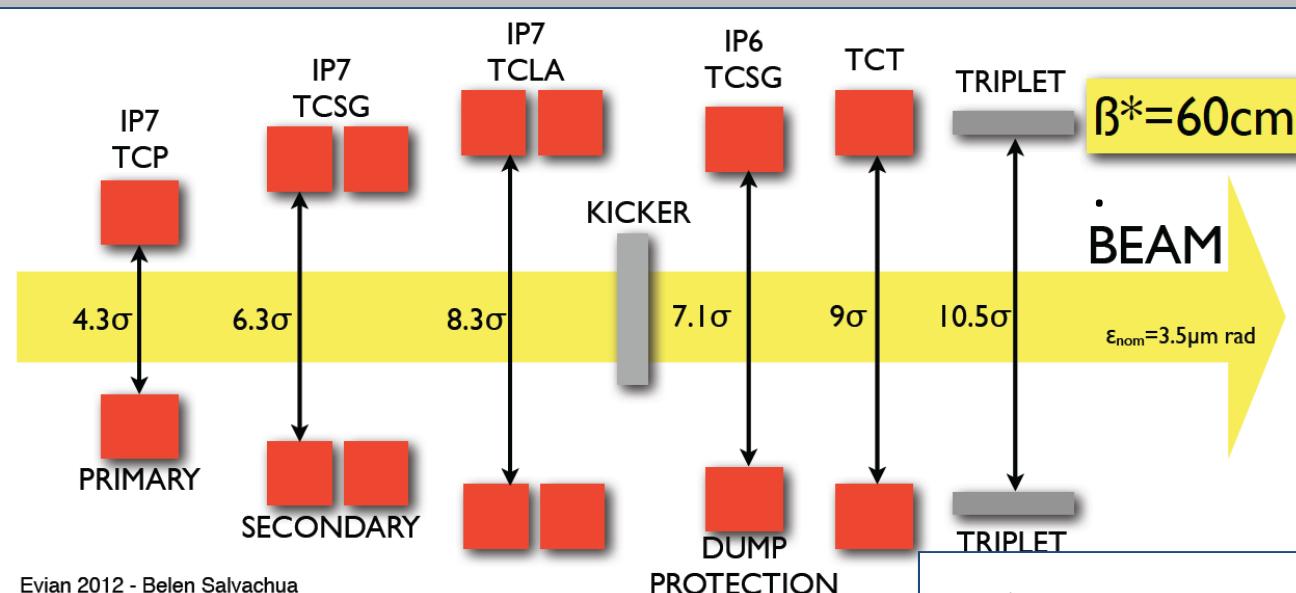
# Reproducibility

LHC magnetically reproducible with rigorous pre-cycling:  
optics, orbit, collimator set-up, tune, chromaticity...



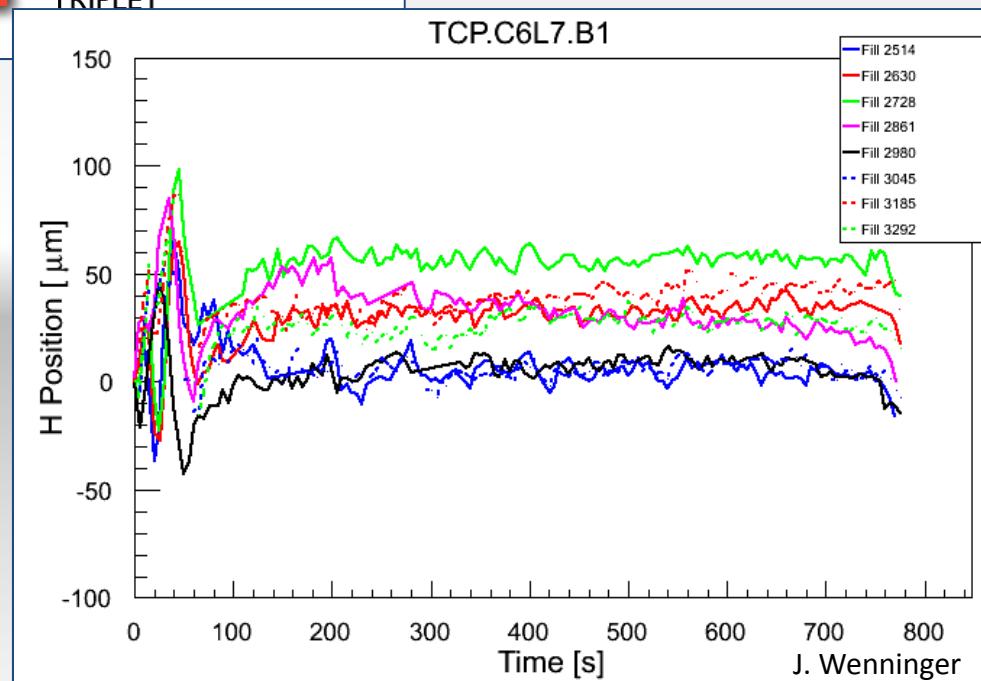
Tune corrections made by feedback during squeeze

# Collimation/reproducibility



Evian 2012 - Belen Salvachua

2011-2012: only **ONE** full alignment in IR3/IR7



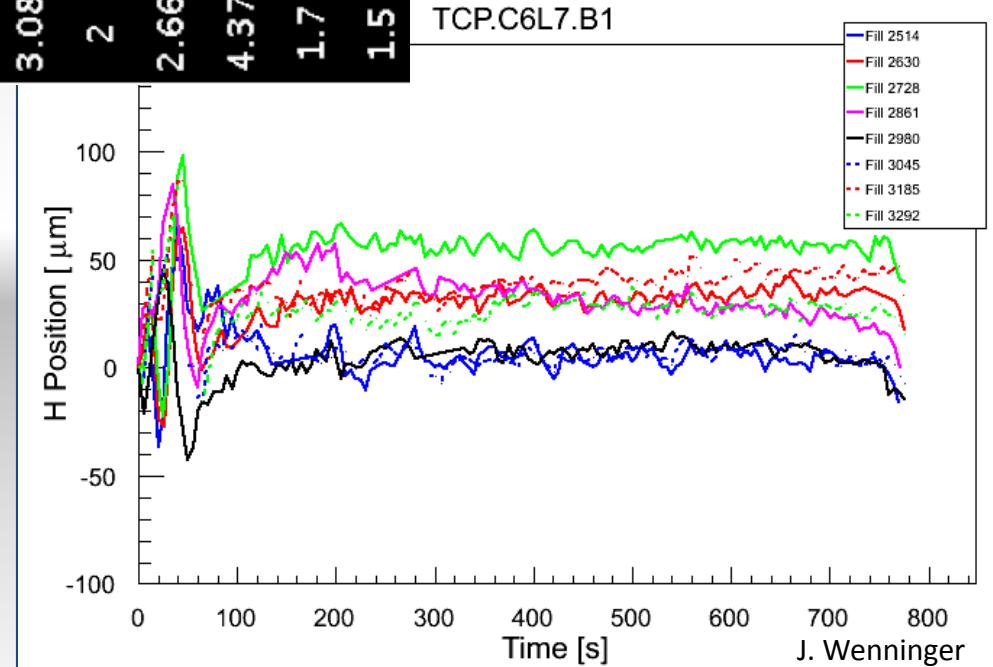
J. Wenninger

# Collimation/reproducibility

1.33	TCP.D6L7.B1	-0.84
1.33	TCP.C6L7.B1	-1.69
0.94	TCP.B6L7.B1	-1.61
1.85	TCSG.A6L7.B1	-2.01
1.92	TCSG.B5L7.B1	-2.66
2.1	TCSG.A5L7.B1	-2.58
1.42	TCSG.D4L7.B1	-1.55
2.98	TCSG.B4L7.B1	-1.29
2.93	TCSG.A4L7.B1	-1.27
2.8	TCSG.A4R7.B1	-1.4
2.78	TCSG.B5R7.B1	-2.02
2.22	TCSG.D5R7.B1	-2.66
2.48	TCSG.E5R7.B1	-2.39
3.08	TCSG.6R7.B1	-3.54
2	TCLA.A6R7.B1	-1.34
2.66	TCLA.B6R7.B1	-3.36
4.37	TCLA.C6R7.B1	-1.5
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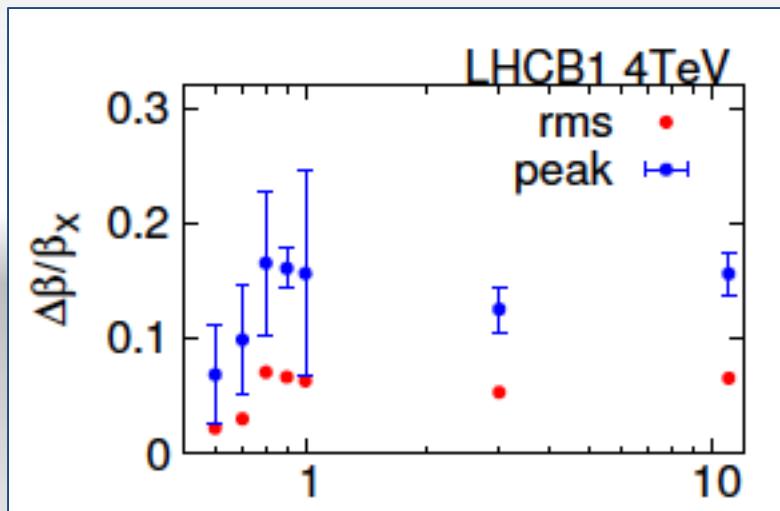
IR7 collimators – beam 1

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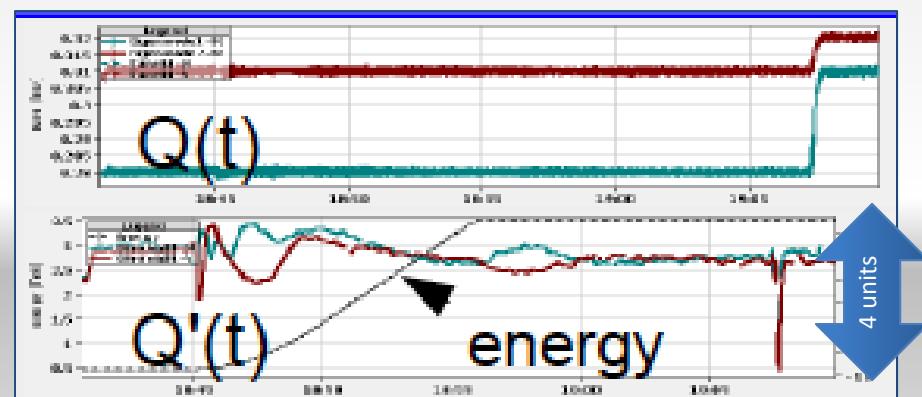


# Optics, magnet model, aperture

- Very good magnetic model
  - including dynamic effects
- Linear optics: close to model, corrected to excellent
- Non-linear dynamics well understood
- Better than expected aperture



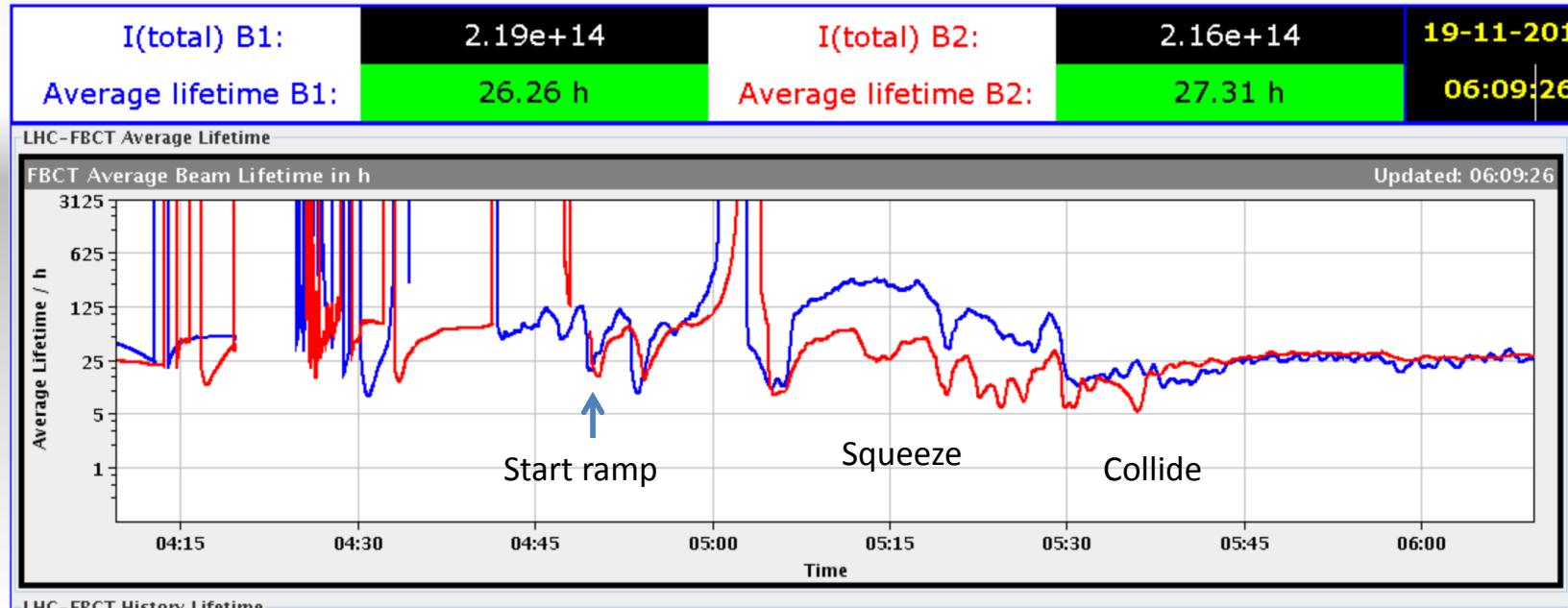
Beating in squeeze after local and global corrections



Model based feed-forward reduces chromaticity swing from 80 to less than 10 units

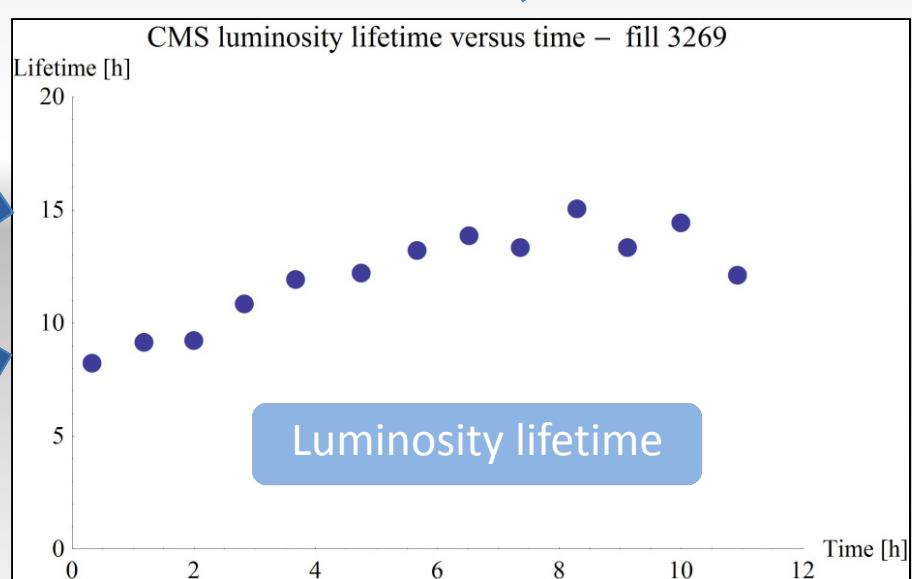
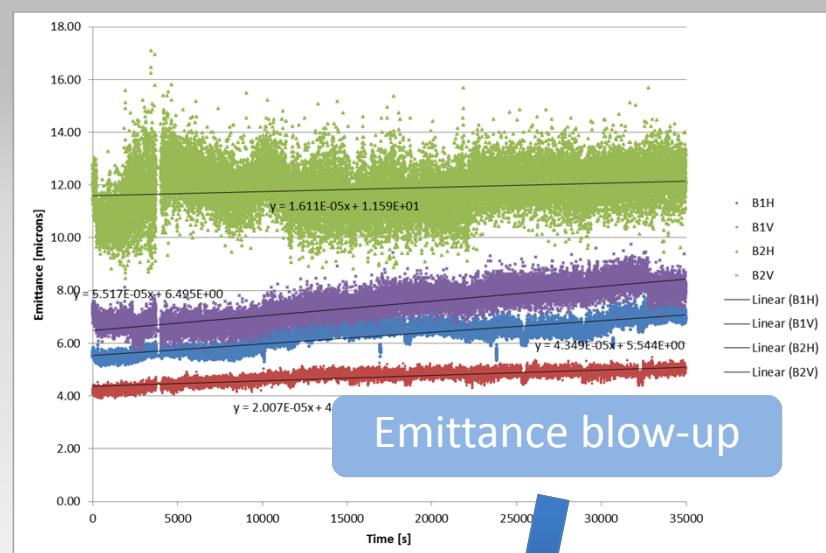
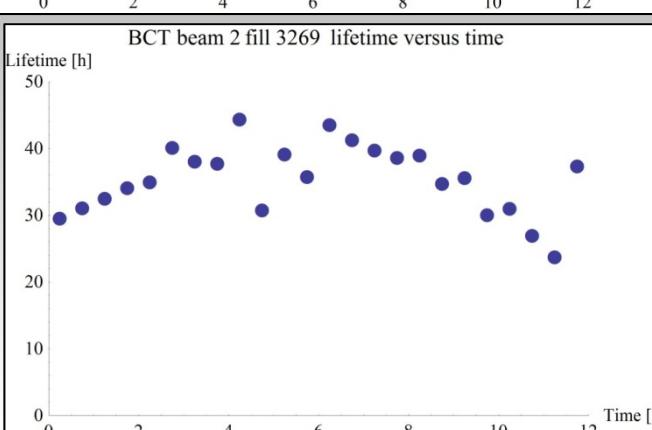
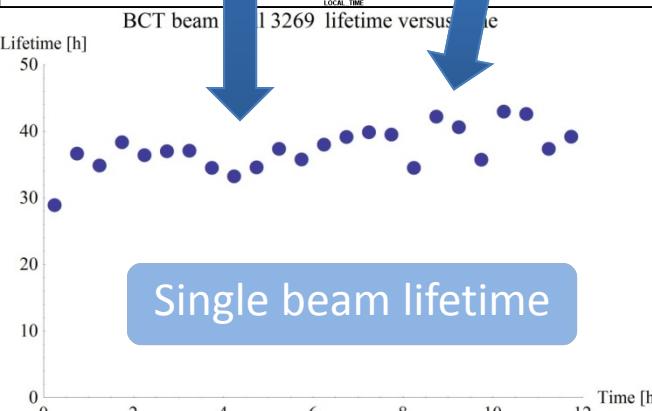
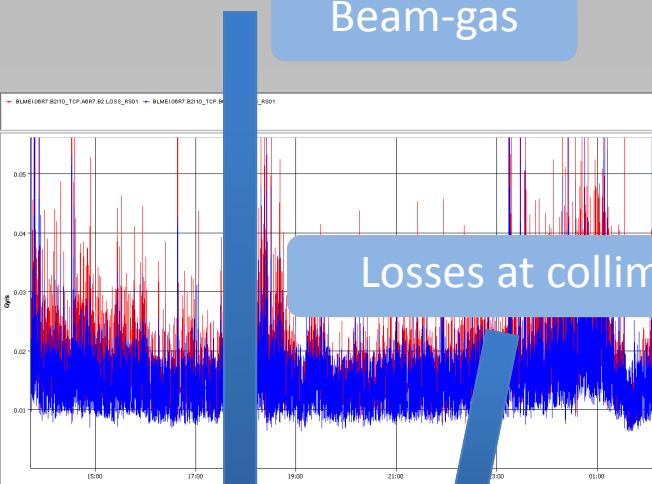
# Beam

- Excellent single beam lifetime – good vacuum conditions
- Excellent field quality, good correction of non-linearities
- Low tune modulation, low power converter ripple, low RF noise



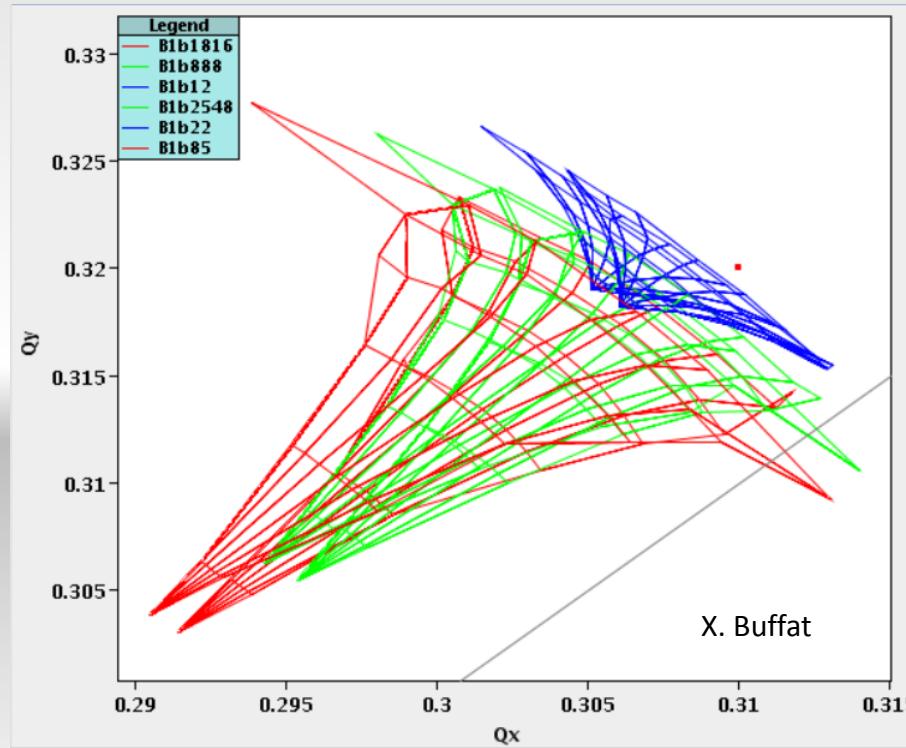
# Luminosity burn

# Reasonably comfortable life in Stable Beams



# Beam-beam

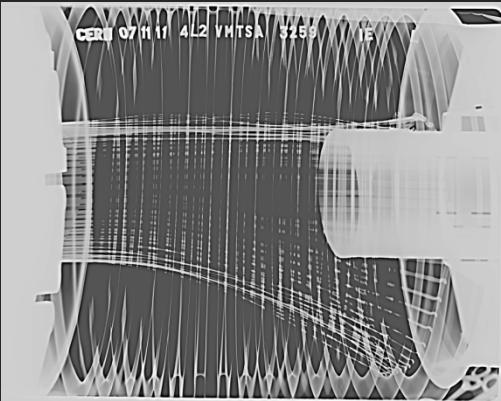
- Head-on is not an operational limitation
- Linear head-on parameter in operation  $\sim 0.02$  (up to 0.034 in MD)
- Long range taken seriously
- Interesting interplay with the instabilities seen in 2012...



# Some issues...

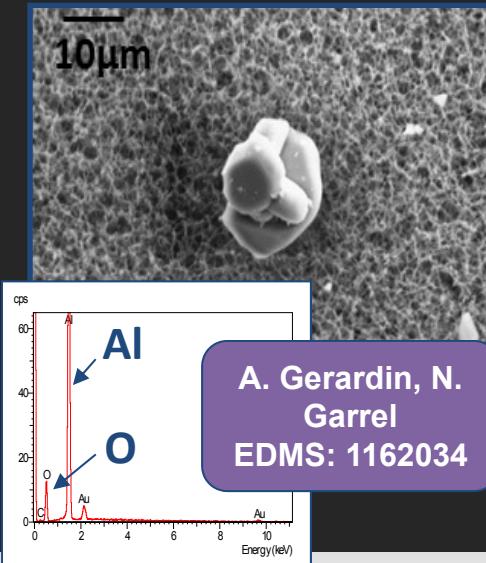
## Beam induced heating

- Local non-conformities (design, installation)
  - Injection protection devices
  - Sync. Light mirrors
  - Vacuum assemblies



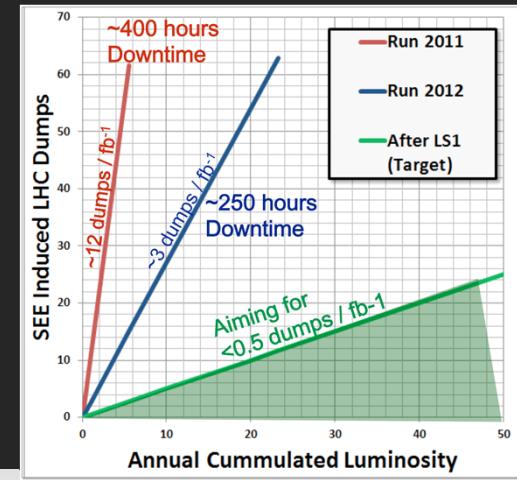
## UFOs

- 20 dumps in 2012
- Timescale 50-200  $\mu$ s
- Conditioning observed
- Worry about 6.5 TeV



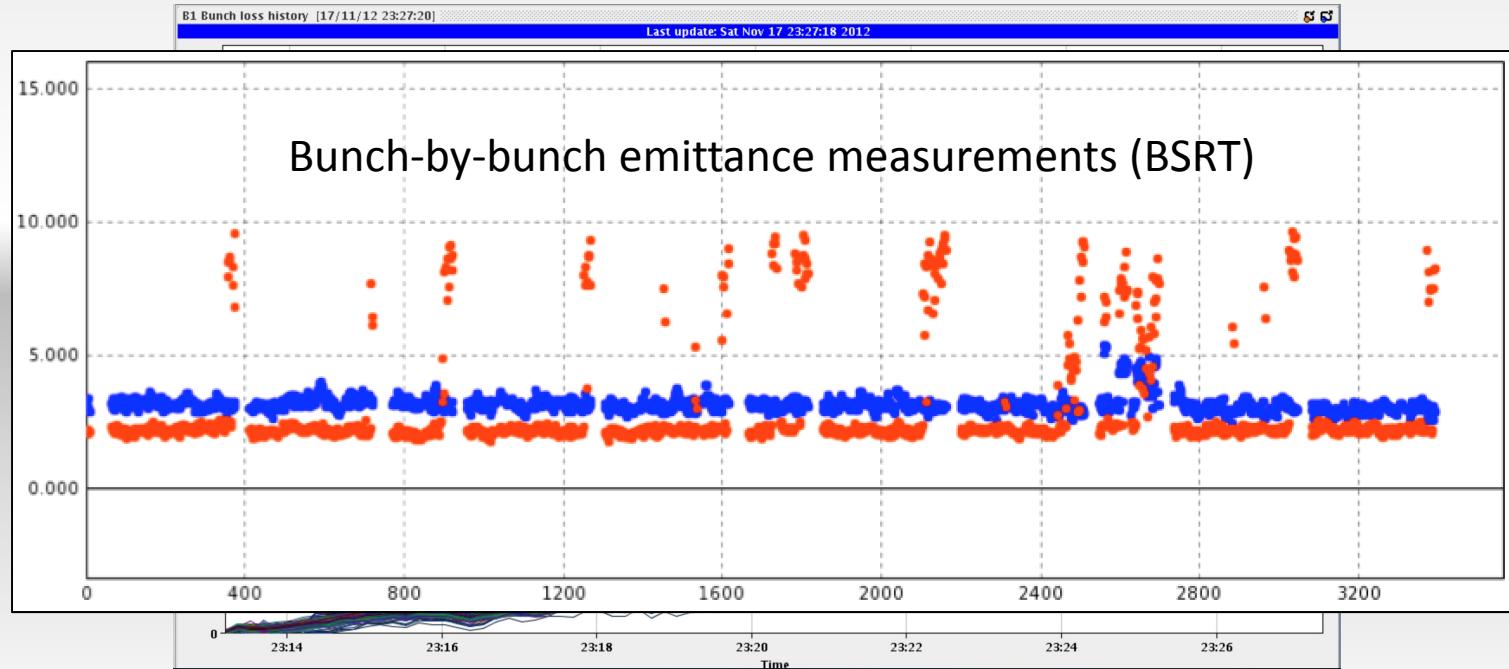
## Radiation to electronics

- Concerted program of mitigation measures (shielding, relocation...)
- Premature dump rate down from 12/ $fb^{-1}$  in 2011 to 3/ $fb^{-1}$  in 2012



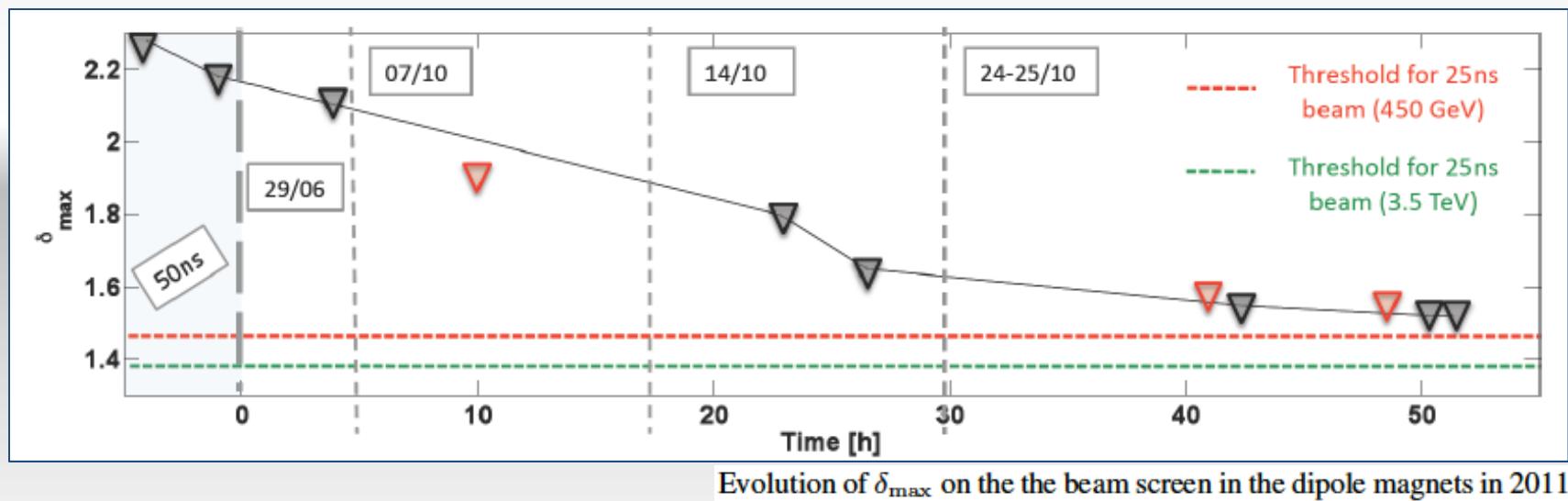
# Instabilities

- Note: increased impedance from tight collimators in 2012
- Instabilities have been observed:
  - on bunches with offset collisions in IP8 only
  - while going into collision
  - end of squeeze, few bunches: emittance blow-up and beam loss
- Defense mechanisms:
  - octupoles, high chromaticity, transverse damper, tune split, head-on collisions, understanding



# 25 ns & electron cloud

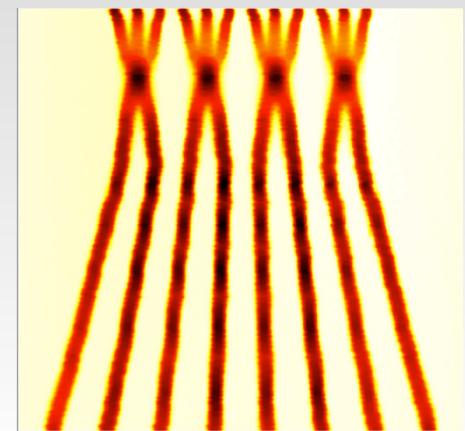
- During 25 ns scrubbing run last December the reduction in the secondary electron yield (SEY) flattened out
- A concentrated scrubbing run will probably be **insufficient to fully suppress** the EC from the arcs for 25 ns beams in future operation.



# 2015 – post LS1

- Energy: 6.5 TeV
- Bunch spacing: 25 ns
  - pile-up considerations
- Injectors potentially able to offer nominal intensity with even lower emittance

BCMS = Batch Compression and Merging and Splitting



	Number of bunches	I <sub>b</sub> LHC FT[1e11]	Emit LHC [um]	Peak Lumi [cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ]	~Pile-up	Int. Lumi per year [fb <sup>-1</sup> ]
25 ns low emit	2520	1.15	1.9	1.7e34	52	~45

# Conclusions

- Reasonably good performance from commissioning through run I
  - 2 years 3 months from first collisions to Higgs
- Foundations laid for run II



# Acknowledgements

- LHC enjoying benefits of the decades long international design, construction, installation effort.
- Progress with beam represents phenomenal effort by all the teams involved, injectors included.
- On the accelerator physics side - huge amount of experience & understanding gained
  - impressive work by various teams (collective effects, beam-beam, optics, RF, beam transfer, beam loss, collimation...)
  - pushing diagnostics and instrumentation
  - backed by a vigorous MD program

