



JAS 2019 – Ion Colliders

Heavy-Ions in the LHC

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Introduction

- History and Notations
- Effects on Luminosity

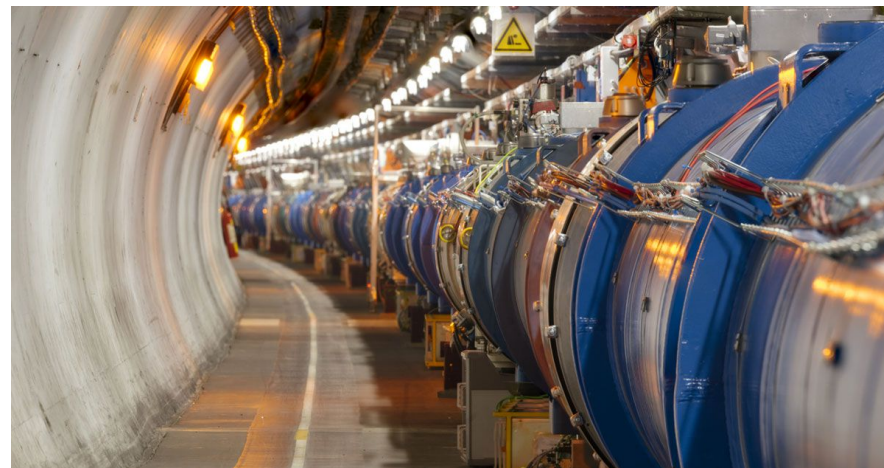
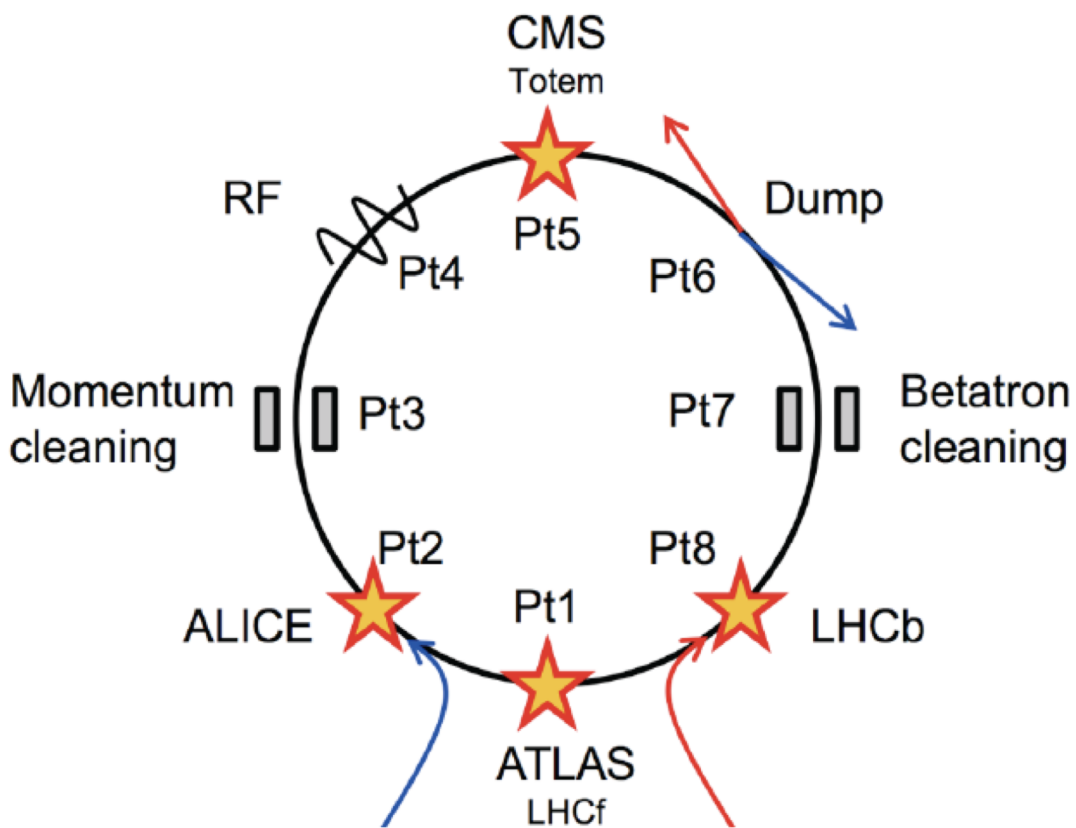
Pb-Pb Collisions

- Secondary Beams
- Getting the beams into LHC
- Beam and Luminosity Evolution
- Performance Summary

Other Operational Modes

- p-Pb collisions
- Other unforeseen, but successful operational modes

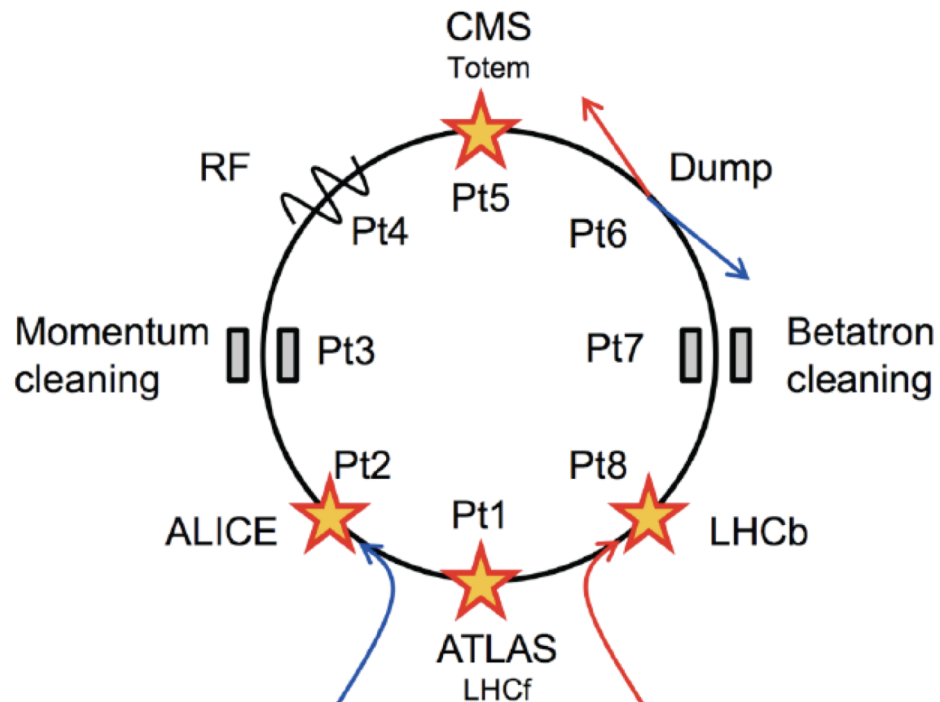
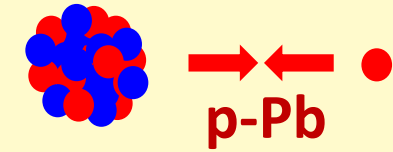
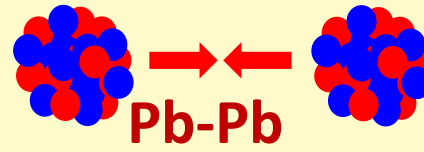
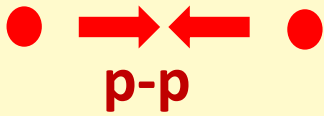
The largest machine in the world: The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



27 km circumference
100m underground

Accelerates protons and heavy-ions
to $E = 6.5 Z \text{ TeV}$ (2018).

Collides 2 counter-rotating beams
in 4 physics experiments.



The LHC spends most of its time colliding **proton-proton (p-p)** in its 4 main experiments.

All are also highly capable heavy-ion experiments:

ALICE (IP2) and **ATLAS (IP1) / CMS (IP5)**

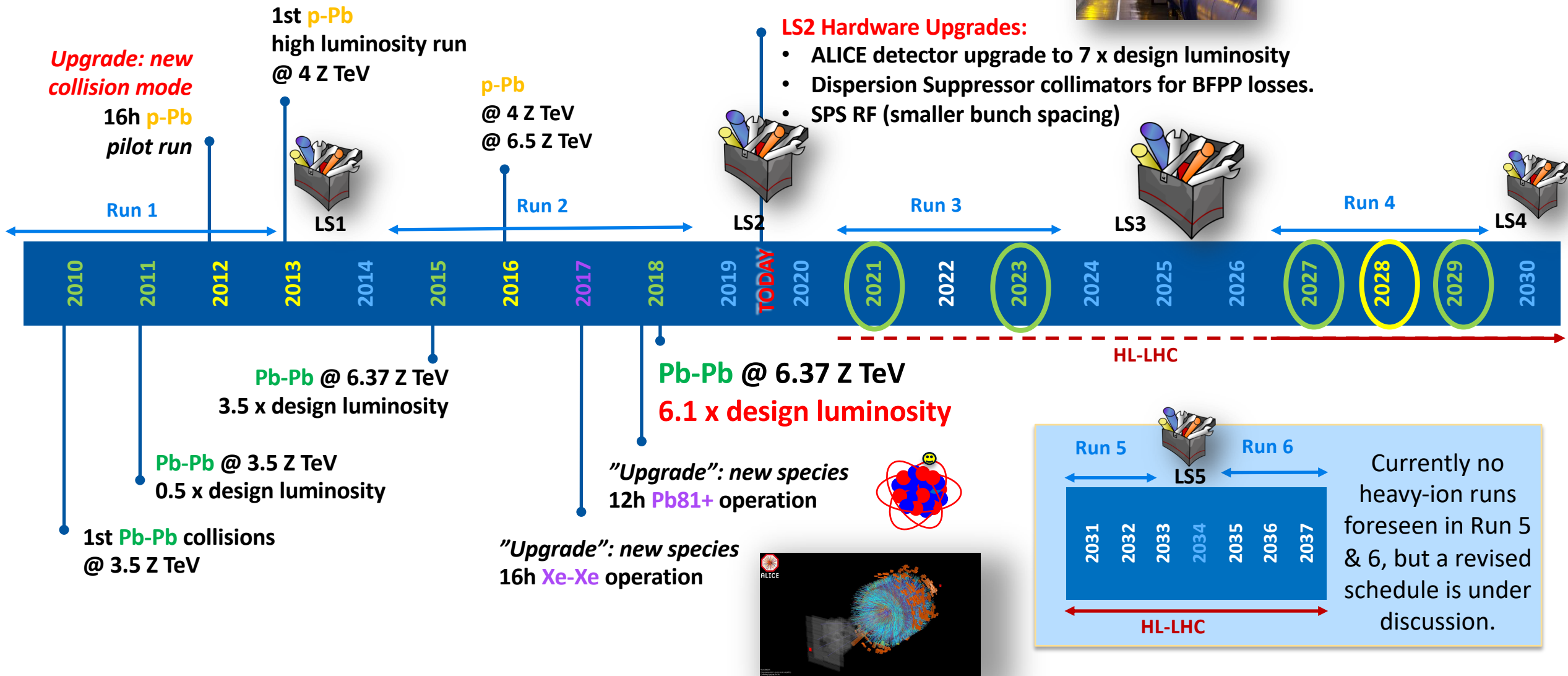
LHCb (IP8) since 2012

also LHCf (cosmic ray physics)

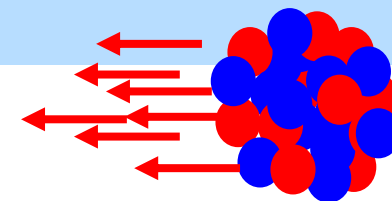
1 month/year colliding **fully stripped lead** ($^{208}\text{Pb}^{82+}$) or Pb ions with protons.

A short History and Future ...

12 one-month heavy-ion runs between 2010 and 2030. **6/12 done.**



Energy of ions/nuclei and nucleons



The ideal circular orbit

Lorentz Force $F_L = Q v B$

Centrifugal Force $F_{centr} = \frac{\gamma m_0 v^2}{\rho}$

$$F_L = F_{centr}$$

Magn. field B
Bending radius ρ

$$\frac{p}{Q} = B \rho$$

Beam rigidity

Energy and momentum are related via the square of the 4-momentum vector, $\mathbf{P} = (E/c, \mathbf{p})$:

$$P^2 = \frac{E^2}{c^2} - p^2 = m^2 c^2$$

Operate at same beam rigidity for different species \rightarrow **equivalent beam energy**:

$$E_{ion} = E_p Z$$

At high energy
 $E \gg mc^2$

Keep similar magnetic cycles for proton and heavy-ion operation.

$$E \approx pc = 7.0 Z \text{ TeV} = 2.76 A \text{ TeV} = 574 \text{ TeV}$$

Energy per charge,
relation to proton energy

Energy per nucleon

Energy of the particle

Centre-of-Mass (CMS) energy is available for the production of new particles.



$$P_1 = \begin{pmatrix} E_1/c \\ \vec{p}_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} E_2/c \\ \vec{p}_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E = E_{beam1} + E_{beam2}$$

From the sum of the 4-momentum vectors the **centre-of-mass energy in collision of two different species** can be calculated:

$$\sqrt{(P_1 + P_2)^2} = \sqrt{s} \approx 2p_p \sqrt{Z_1 Z_2}$$

Centre-of-mass energy **per colliding nucleon pair**:

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} \approx 2p_p \sqrt{\frac{Z_1 Z_2}{A_1 A_2}}$$

proton momentum

LHC Pb-Pb run in 2015/18:

$$\sqrt{s} = 2 \times 6.37 \times 82 \text{ TeV} > 1 \text{ PeV}$$

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2 \times 6.37 \times \frac{82}{208} \text{ TeV} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$$

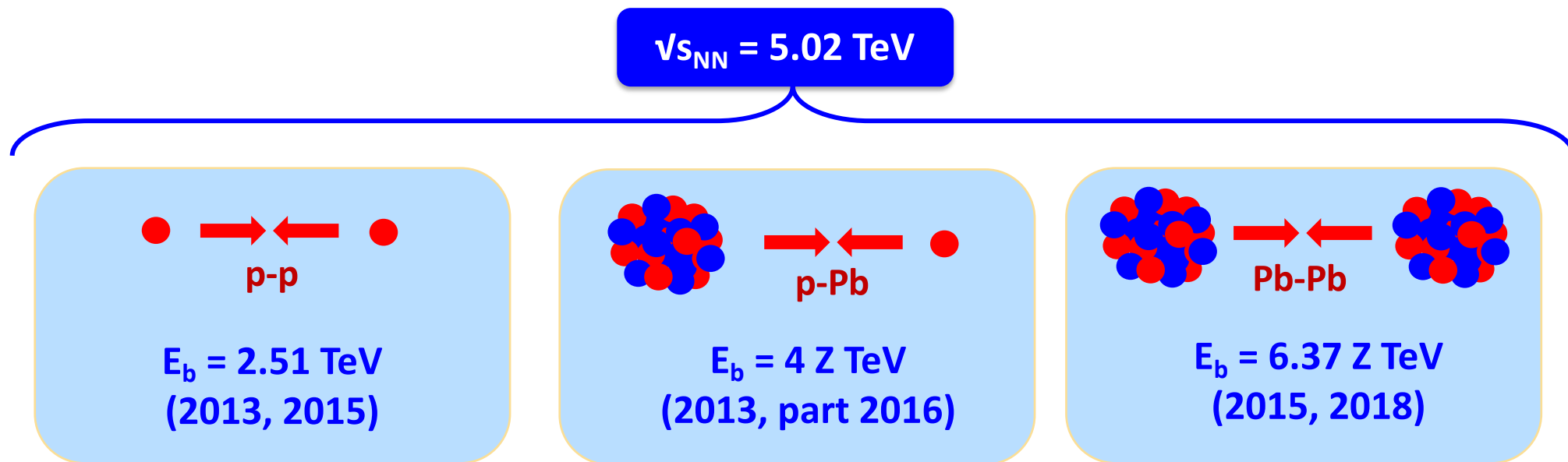
New energy frontier in nucleus-nucleus collisions.
 Continues beyond RHIC ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 0.2 \text{ TeV}$) and previous fixed target experiments.

Choice of Beam Energy

Max. beam energy achieved in p-p collisions: $E_b = 6.5 \text{ Z TeV}$.

For Pb-Pb, **beam energy** reduction to $E_b = 6.37 \text{ Z TeV}$.

→ Allows comparison of 3 collision modes at the **same center-of-mass energy** $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$



p-p reference data
 Special p-p runs at this energy;
 different to general p-p programme

A particle bunch is characterised by its **number of particles, $N_b(t)$** , and the **normalised emittances, $\epsilon_{n,i}(t)$, in the three planes** ($i = x, y, s$).

The transverse emittances relate to the beam sizes σ_{xy} :
$$\sigma_{xy}^2 = \epsilon_{xy} \beta_{xy}$$

The beam size shrinks during acceleration by adiabatic damping. Therefore we define the so-called **normalised emittance ϵ_n** , which is constant with energy:

$$\epsilon_{n,xy} = \epsilon_{xy} \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \approx \epsilon_{xy} \gamma$$

Normalized emittance in LHC
($\gamma @ 7 \text{ Z TeV}$, same beam size)

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{n,p} &= 3.75 \mu\text{m} & \gamma_p &= 7461 \\ \epsilon_{n,Pb} &= 1.5 \mu\text{m} & \gamma_{Pb} &= 2963.5 \end{aligned}$$

The rel. Lorentz factor is related to the energy as

$$E = \gamma m c^2$$

Thus, for particles in the same magnetic field

$$\gamma_{ion} = Z \frac{m_p}{m_{ion}} \gamma_p$$

Heavy-Ion vs. Proton Operation

- Some similarities with protons: aperture, optics, orbits
 - Bending \propto Charge ($q = Ze$): $B\rho = p/q$
- **Charge per ion bunch $\sim 10\%$ of proton bunch:**
 - collective effects driven by impedance or beam-beam are weak
- **Higher charge and mass: Beam dynamics and performance limits of heavy ions are quite different from those of protons.**
- Many **beam dynamic effects** are proportional to **high powers of Z** . In same accelerator:
 - Strong Intra-beam scattering (IBS) $\propto Z^3/A^2$.
 - Radiation damping $\propto Z^5/A^4$.
 - Large event cross-sections for electromagnetic processes.

⇒ Fast intensity decay and **short luminosity lifetimes**.
⇒ **Secondary beams emerging from the interaction point (IP)**.

Intra-Beam Scattering (IBS)

Multiple small-angle Coulomb scattering among charged particles inside their bunch.

Emittance Growth and Particle Losses

Growth rate dynamically changing with **beam properties**:

$$\alpha_{\text{IBS}} \propto \frac{1}{\gamma} \frac{N_b}{\epsilon_{n,x} \epsilon_{n,y} \epsilon_s}$$

**Dominating effect in the LHC.
Tends to reduce luminosity.**

Radiation Damping

Energy loss due to synchrotron radiation emitted by charged particles bent on a circular orbit.

Emittance Shrinkage

Damping rate is **constant** for a given beam energy:

$$\alpha_{\text{rad}} \propto \gamma^3$$

Starts to become noticeable at LHC energies (and above).
Tends to increase luminosity

IBS and radiation damping both depend on particle type.

Luminosity is a measure of the ability of a particle accelerator to produce the required number of interactions:

Event/Collision rate: $\frac{dR}{dt} = -\frac{dN}{dt} = \sigma_c \mathcal{L}$

Reduction of beam particles with time.

Event cross-section

σ_{tot} = sum of all processes removing particles from the beam

$\sigma_{\text{tot}} (\text{p} - \text{p}) \sim 0.1\text{b}$

$\sigma_{\text{tot}} (\text{Pb} - \text{Pb}) \sim 500\text{b}$, out of which $\sigma_{\text{hadronic}} (\text{Pb} - \text{Pb}) \sim 8\text{b}$

For k_b colliding bunches, which are equal and round:

Constant during collisions

Change during fill

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{k_b f_{\text{rev}} \gamma}{4\pi \beta^*} \frac{N_b^2}{\epsilon_n} F$$

Geometric reduction factor

$$F(\theta_c) = 1 / \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\theta_c \sigma_z}{2}\right)^2 \frac{\gamma}{\epsilon_n \beta^*}}$$

Depends on **machine settings** (crossing-angle θ_c , β -function at IP) and **beam parameters** (emittance ϵ_n , bunch length σ_z)

Beam parameters
 $\epsilon_n, N_b, \sigma_z$
vary bunch-by-bunch.

Machine parameters
 θ_c, β^*
are individually set for the requirements of each experiments.

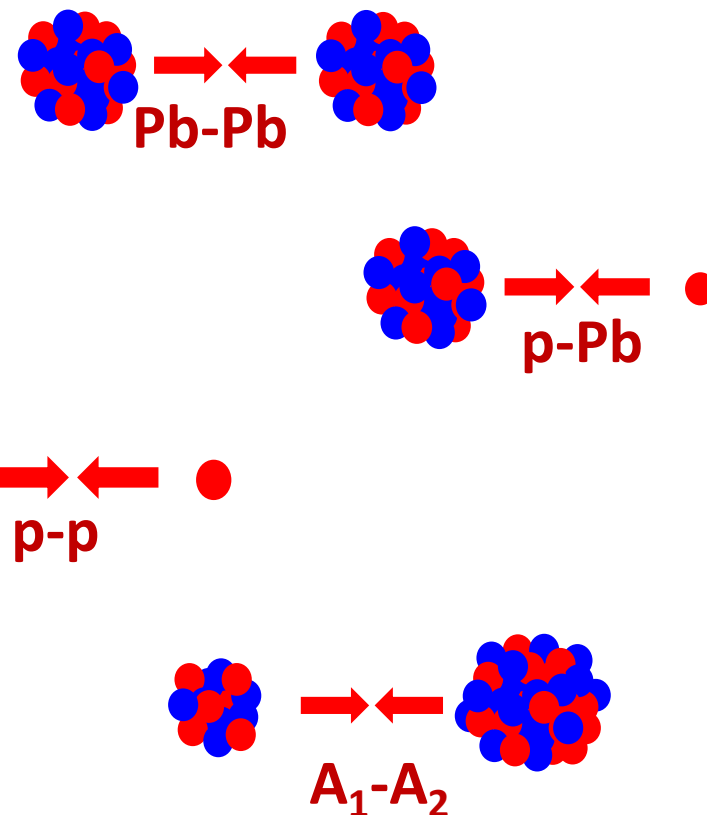
Number of colliding bunches k_b per IP depends on filling pattern.

LHC Heavy-Ion runs are complicated!
4 experiments with sometimes very different requests and conditions, luminosity sharing, ...

The nucleus-nucleus luminosities for collisions of different species or asymmetric collisions (e.g. p-Pb) are very different and may seem low compared to p-p.

In order to make a meaningful comparison one has to look at the **nucleon-nucleon luminosity**:

$$\mathcal{L}_{NN} = A_1 A_2 \mathcal{L}$$

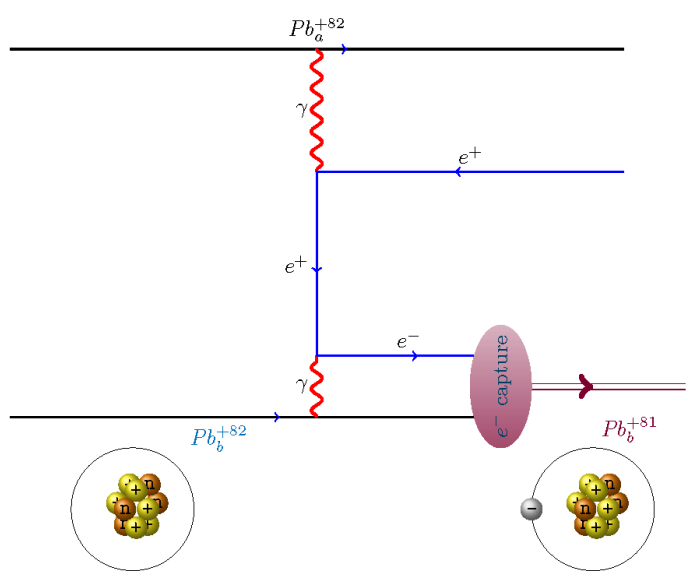
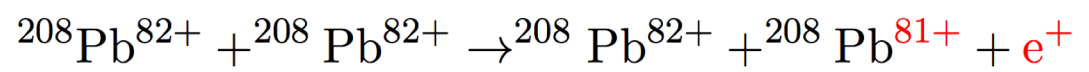


Example LHC Pb-Pb design luminosity:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= 1.0 \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ (Pb - Pb)} \\ &= 4.3 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ (nucleon - nucleon)} \end{aligned}$$

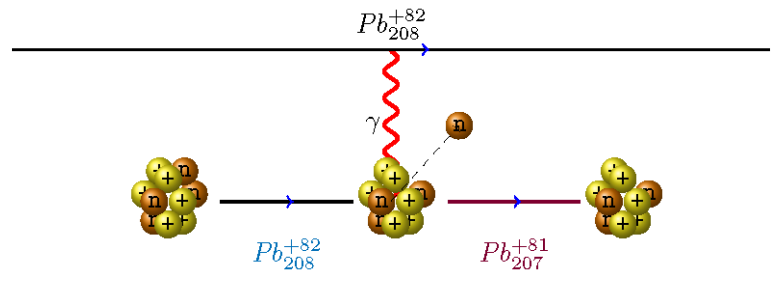
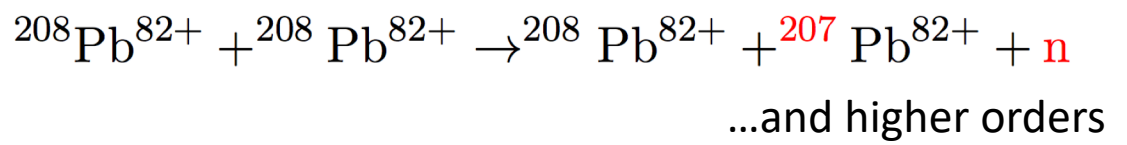
Event rate: $\frac{dR}{dt} = -\frac{dN}{dt} = \sigma_c \mathcal{L}$

Bound-free pair production (BFPP)



These **ultraperipheral interactions** have large interaction cross-sections in Pb-Pb collisions and are the **main contribution to fast luminosity burn-off and short beam lifetime**:

Electromagnetic dissociation (EMD)



$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{c,tot} &= \sigma_{BFPP} + \sigma_{EMD} + \sigma_{hadron} \\ &\approx 281 \text{ b} + 226 \text{ b} + 8 \text{ b} \\ &= 515 \text{ b} \quad @ 7 \text{ Z TeV} \end{aligned}$$



Performance Limitation

SECONDARY BEAMS

Secondary Beams Created in the Collision

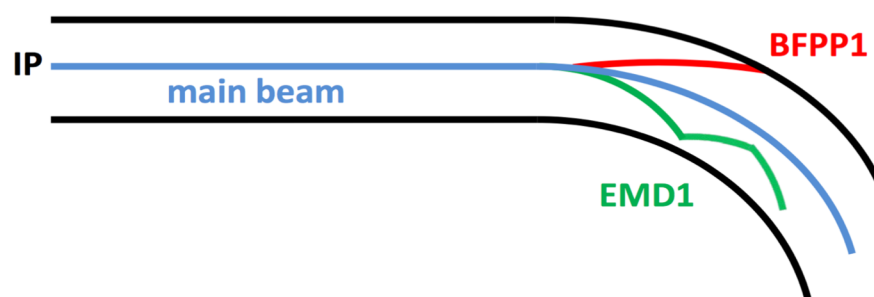
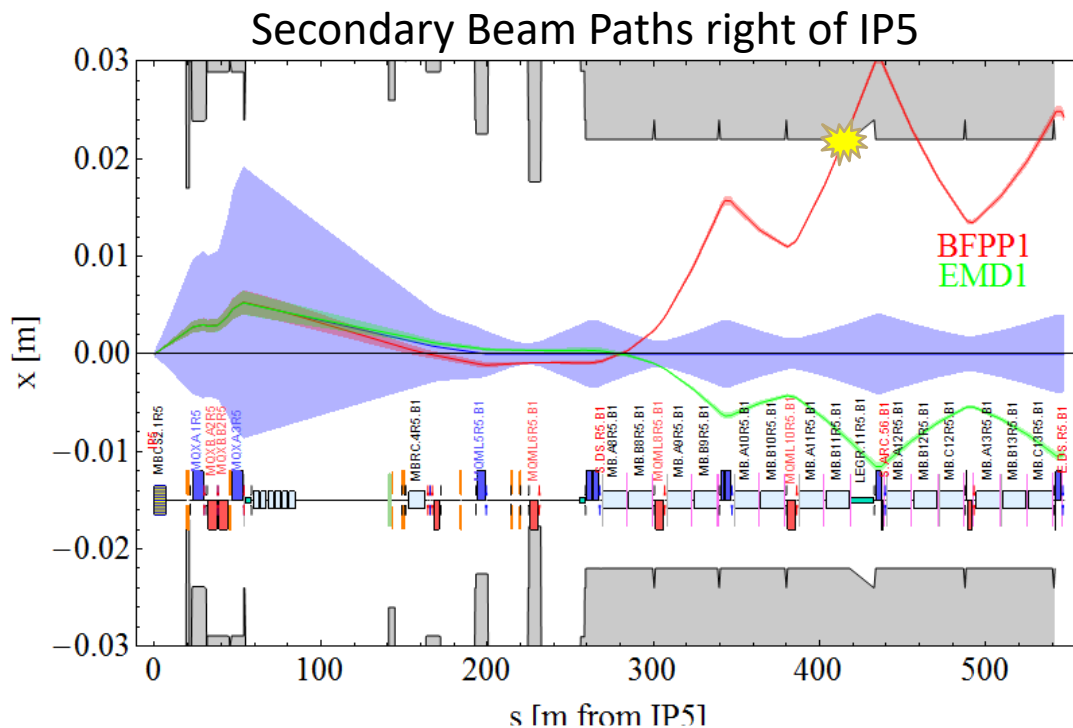
These reactions change the charge-to-mass ratio of the ions, which changes bending in (main) dipoles: $B\rho = p/q$

Main: **208-Pb-82+**

BFPP: **208-Pb-81+**

EMD: **207-Pb-82+**

Intense secondary beams are produced that impact in a superconducting magnet downstream from the IP.



Secondary beams with rigidity change

$$B\rho(1 + \delta)$$

where

$$\delta = \frac{1 + \Delta m / m_{\text{Pb}}}{1 + \Delta Q / Q} - 1$$

Luminosity limit,
if deposited power exceeds quench limit.

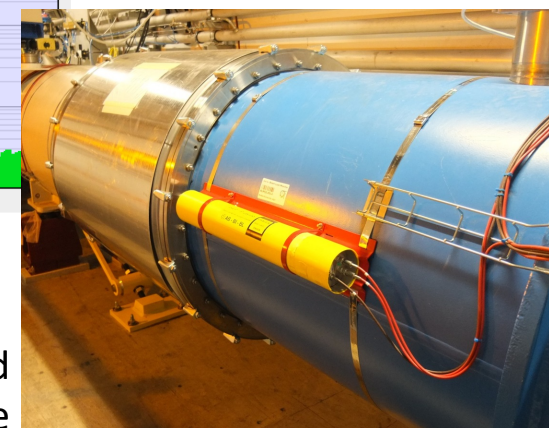
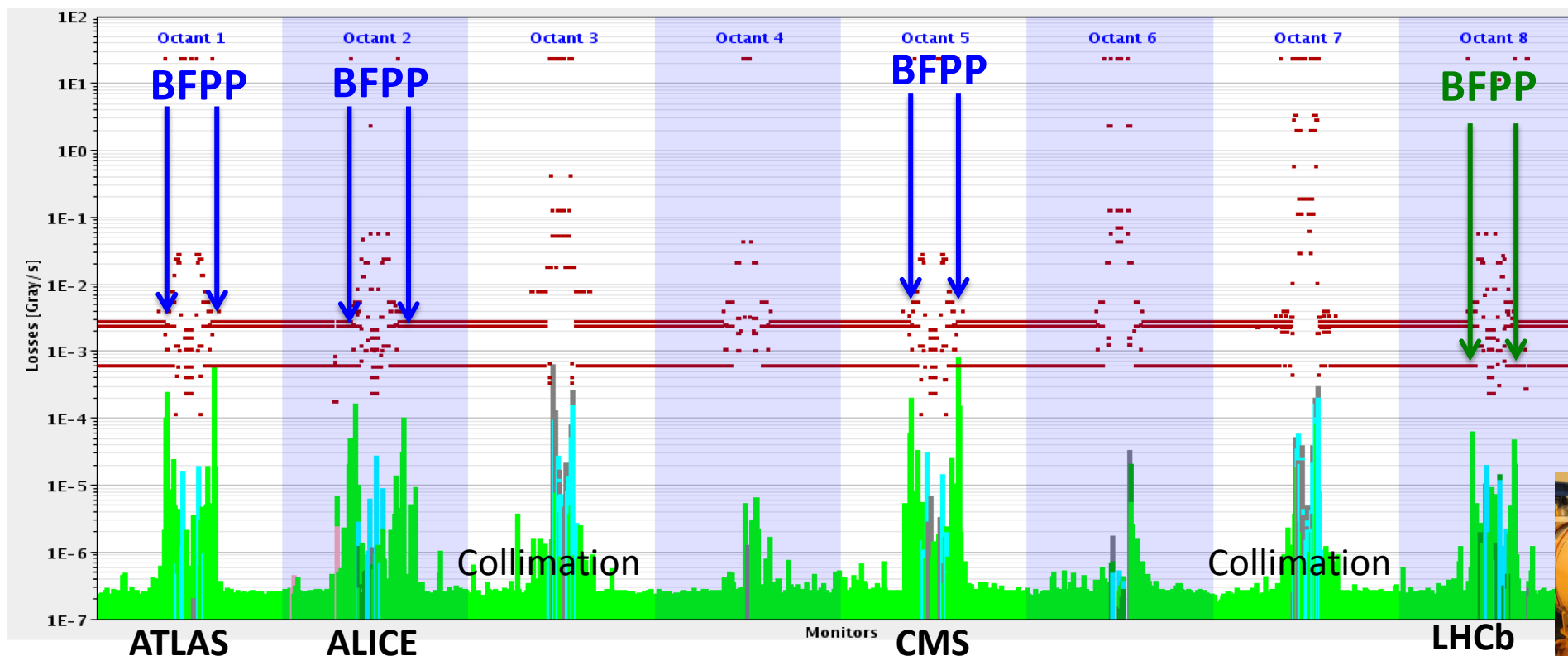
Loss Pattern around the Ring

Direct limit of luminosity

Beam loss spikes around all IPs where ions collide ...

Deposit power >140W → exceeds quench limit of the superconducting magnets.

Luminosity limit found at $L \approx 2.3 \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ($\approx 50\text{W}$ into magnet)

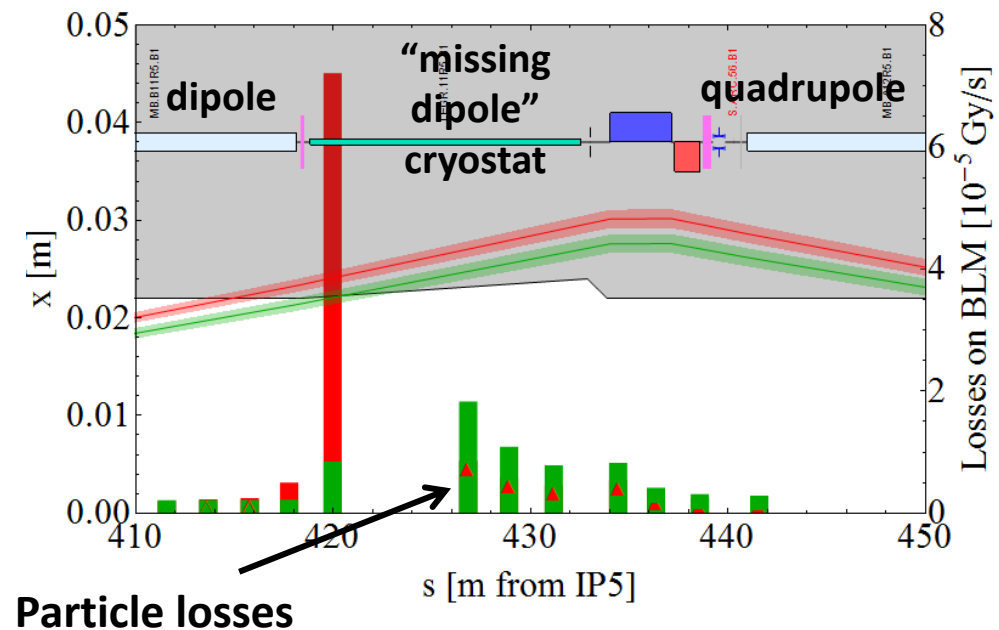
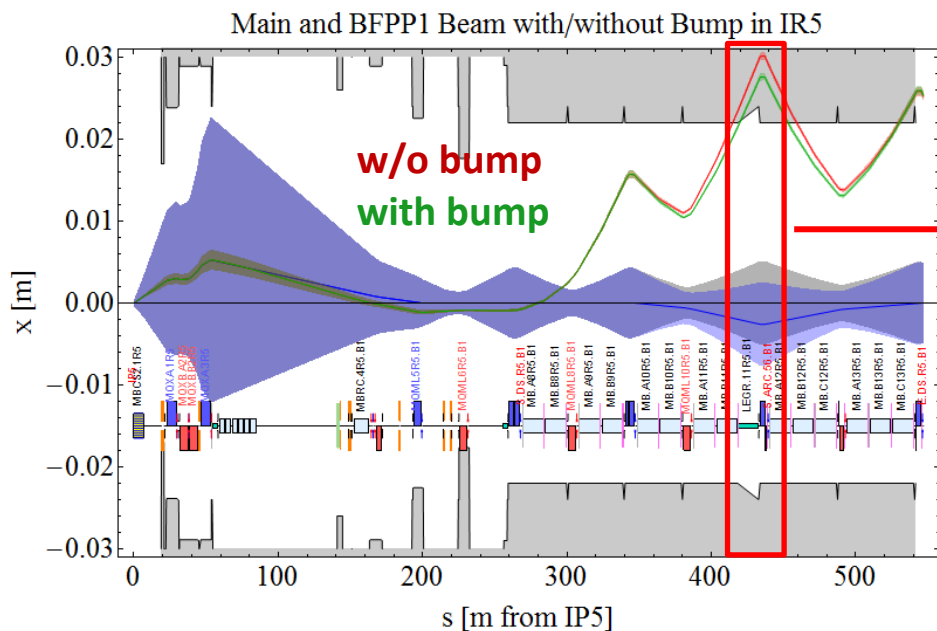


Heavy-Ion collimation discussed in detail in lecture by **R.Bruce**

Beam Loss Monitors all around LHC circumference

Quench Risk Mitigation with Orbit Bumps

Orbit bumps are used to move the secondary beam losses to a less vulnerable location in order to reduce risk of quench.



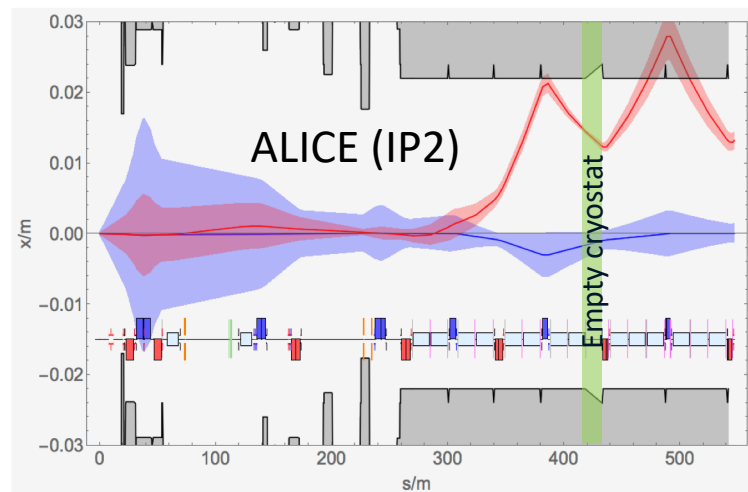
Careful setup of bumps in beginning of the run to achieve desired loss displacement.

Technique operationally used in **ATLAS/CMS** since 2015.
Allowed record luminosity of $L > 6 \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ in 2018.

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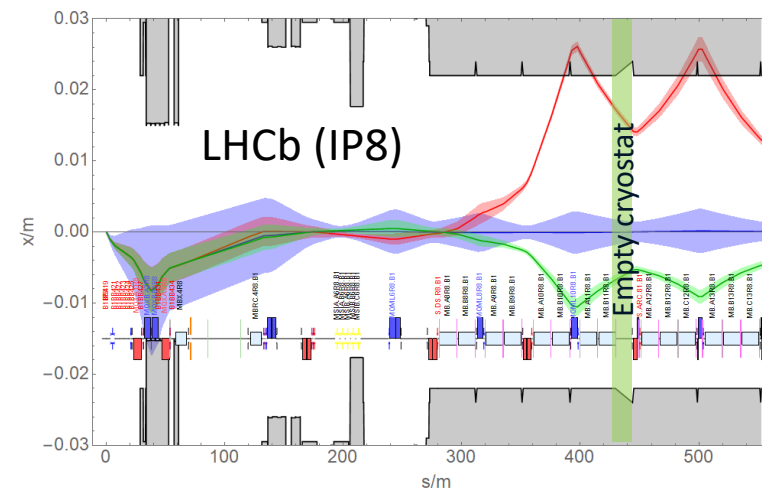
ALICE

- Peak luminosity limited by detector saturation to $1 \times 10^{27} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$.
- Bump to distribute losses over two cells.



LHCb

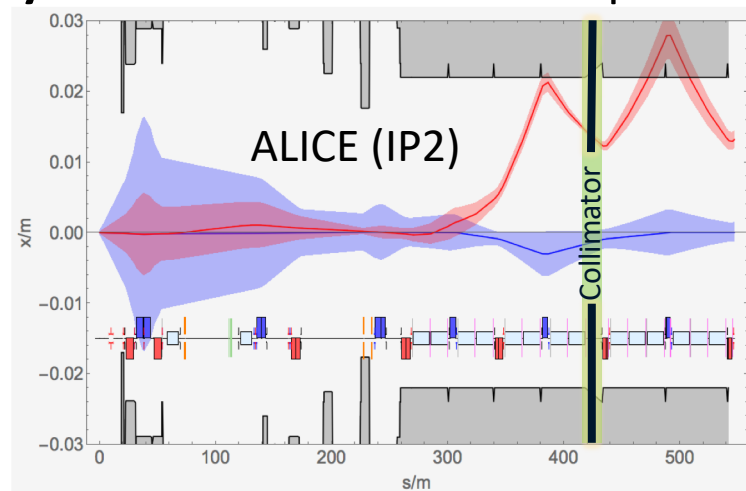
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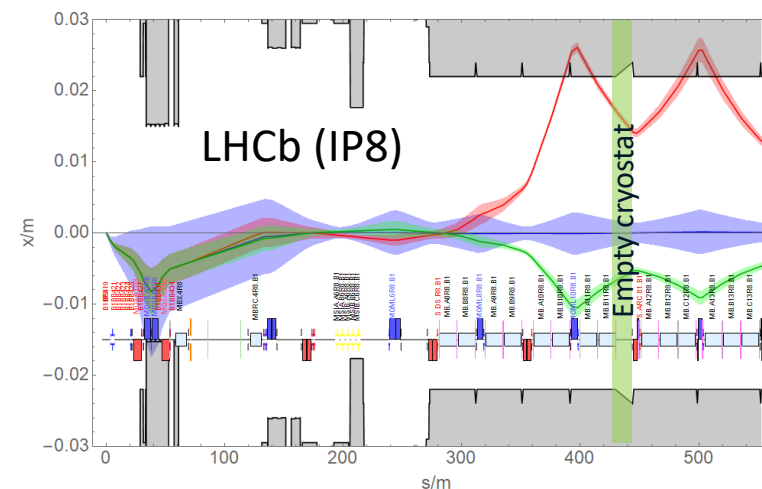
ALICE

- Currently implementing upgrade
- Will allow to go to $\sim 7 \times 10^{27} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- Installation of **collimator** in the empty cryostat location + orbit bump.

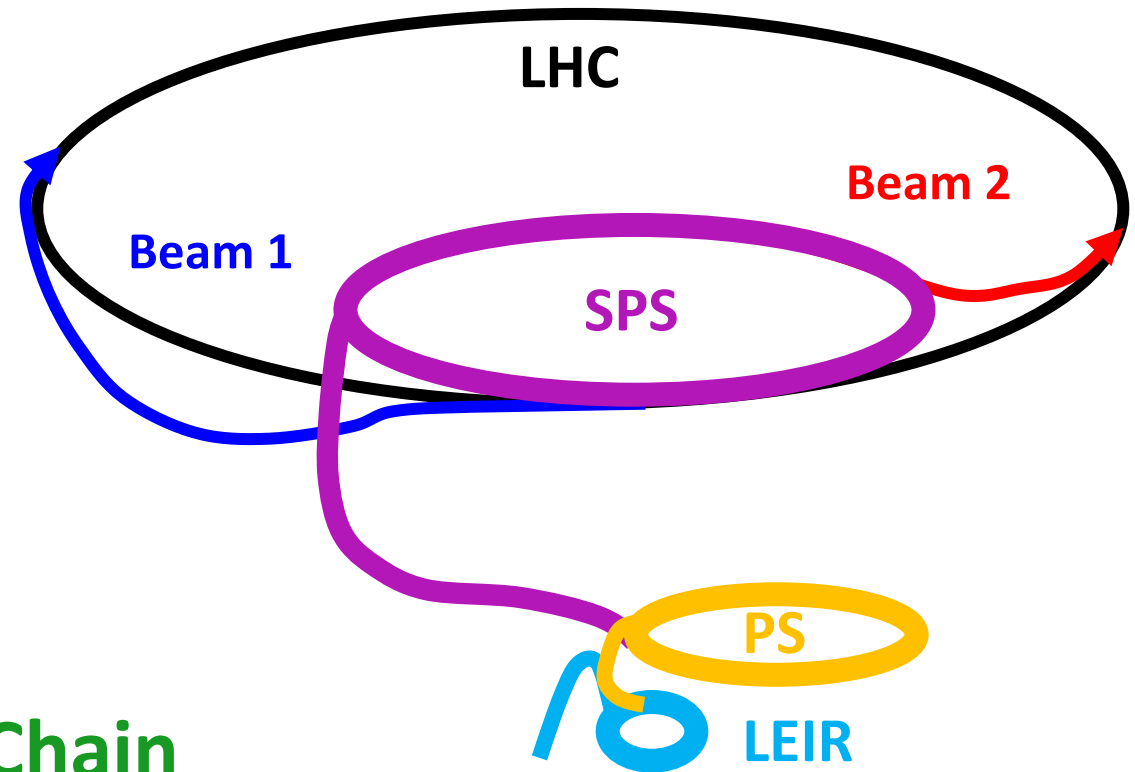


LHCb

- **No mitigation foreseen.**
- 75ns bunch scheme provides many more collisions in LHCb.
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More about secondary beams & their treatment discussed in lecture by **F. Cerutti**



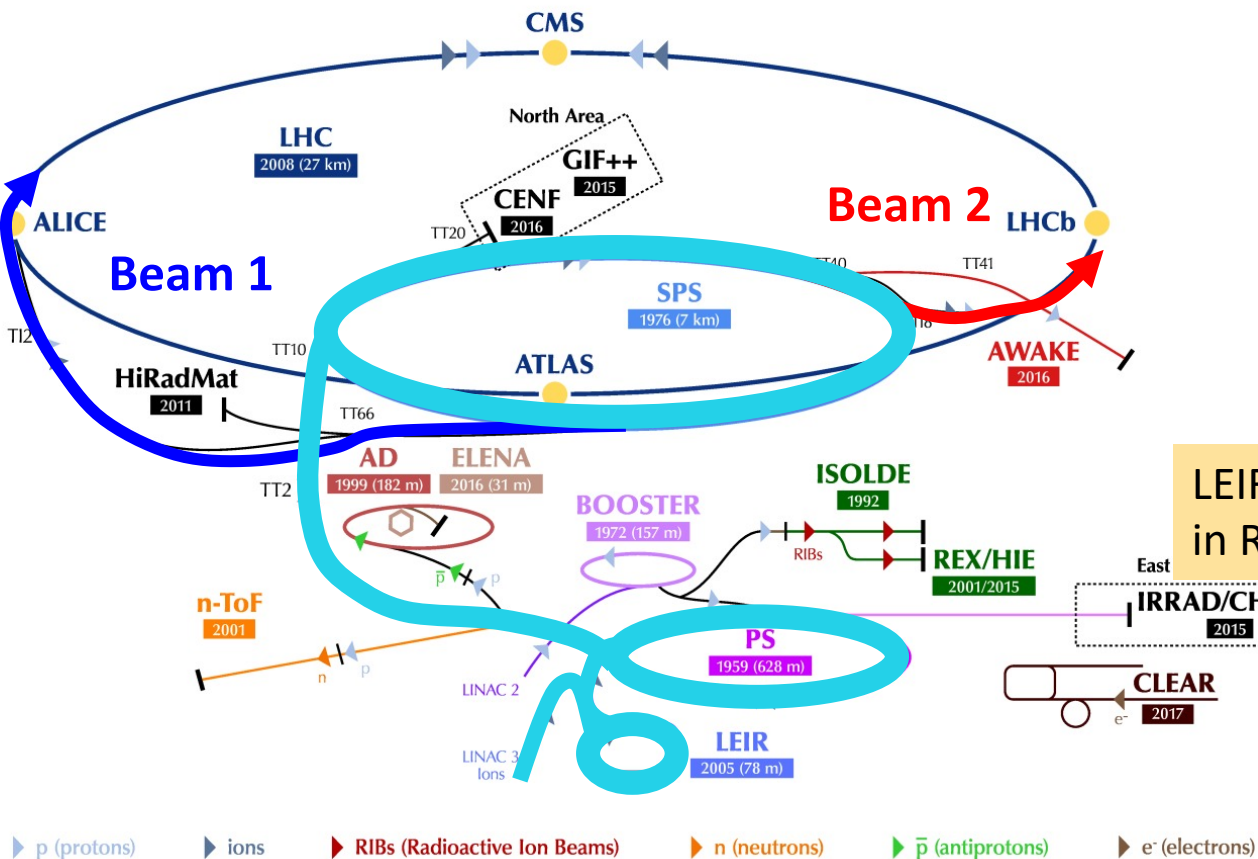
Importance of the Injector Chain

GETTING IONS INTO THE LHC

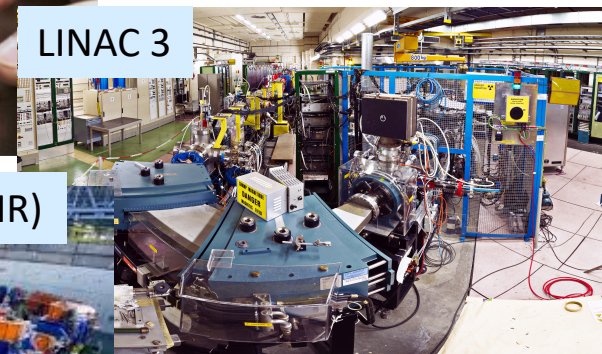


How Ions get into the LHC

The CERN accelerator complex
Complexe des accélérateurs du CERN



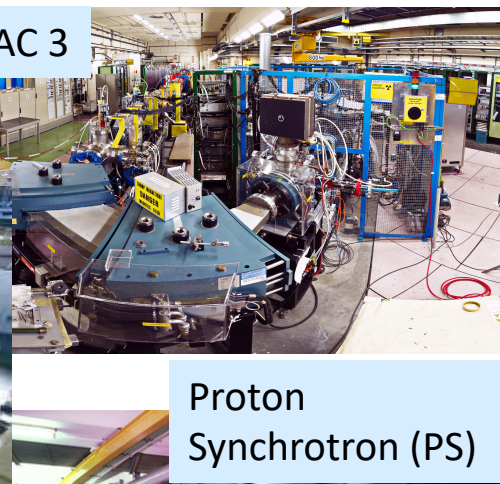
D. Küchler holding the source of Pb



LINAC 3

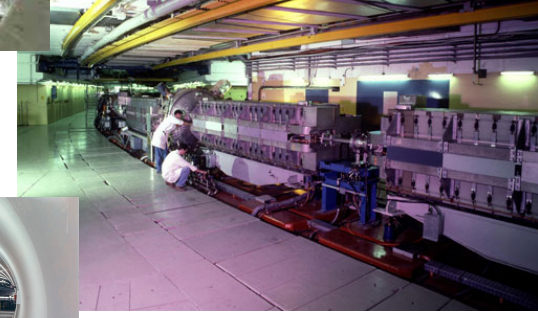


Low Energy Ion Ring (LEIR)



Proton Synchrotron (PS)

LEIR electron cooler built in Russia, at BINP



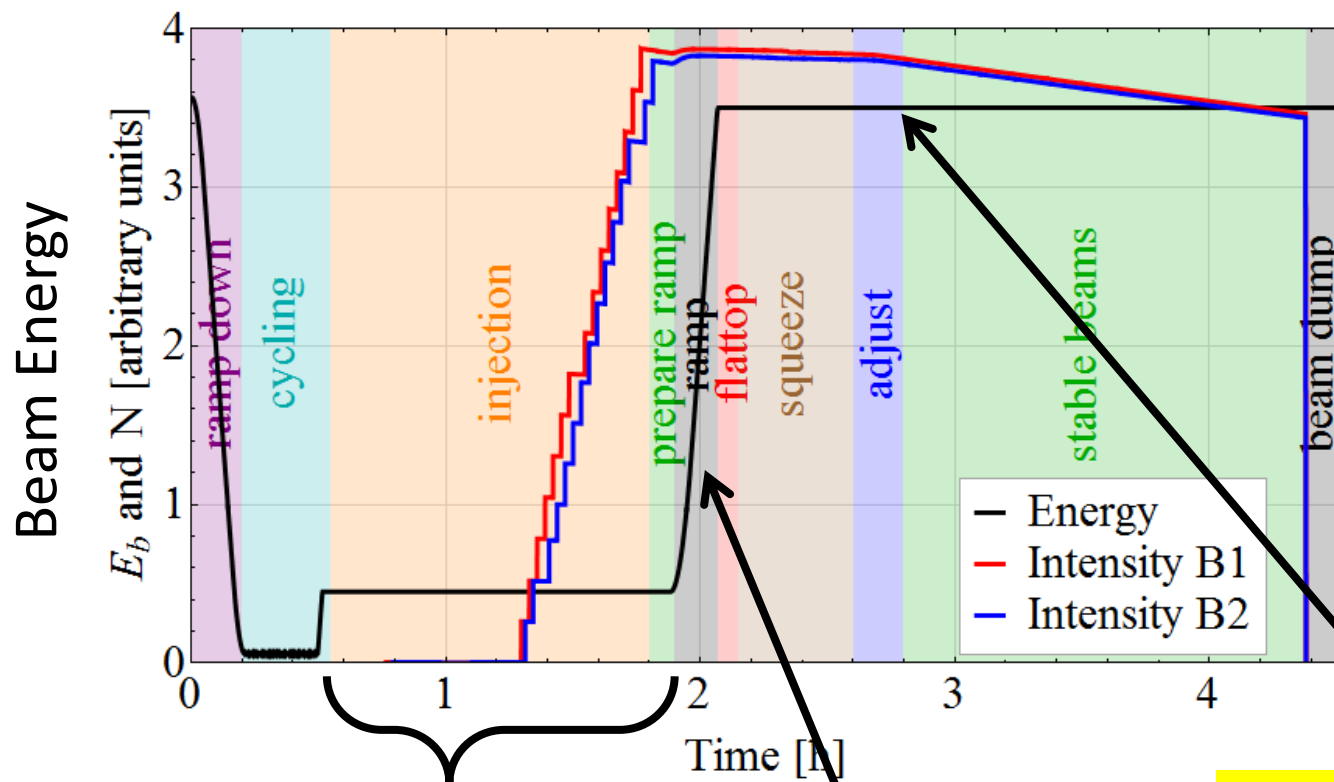
Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS)



LHC

LHC - Large Hadron Collider // SPS - Super Proton Synchrotron // PS - Proton Synchrotron // AD - Antiproton Decelerator // CLEAR - CERN Linear Electron Accelerator for Research // AWAKE - Advanced WAKEfield Experiment // ISOLDE - Isotope Separator OnLine // REX/HIE - Radioactive Experiment/High Intensity and Energy ISOLDE // LEIR - Low Energy Ion Ring // LINAC - LINear ACcelerator // n-ToF - Neutrons Time Of Flight // HiRadMat - High-Radiation to Materials // CHARM - Cern High energy Accelerator Mixed field facility // IRRAD - proton IRRADiation facility // GIF++ - Gamma Irradiation Facility // CENF - CErn Neutrino platForm

Accelerator Cycle (Fill)



Low energy injection plateau:
Accumulation of beam

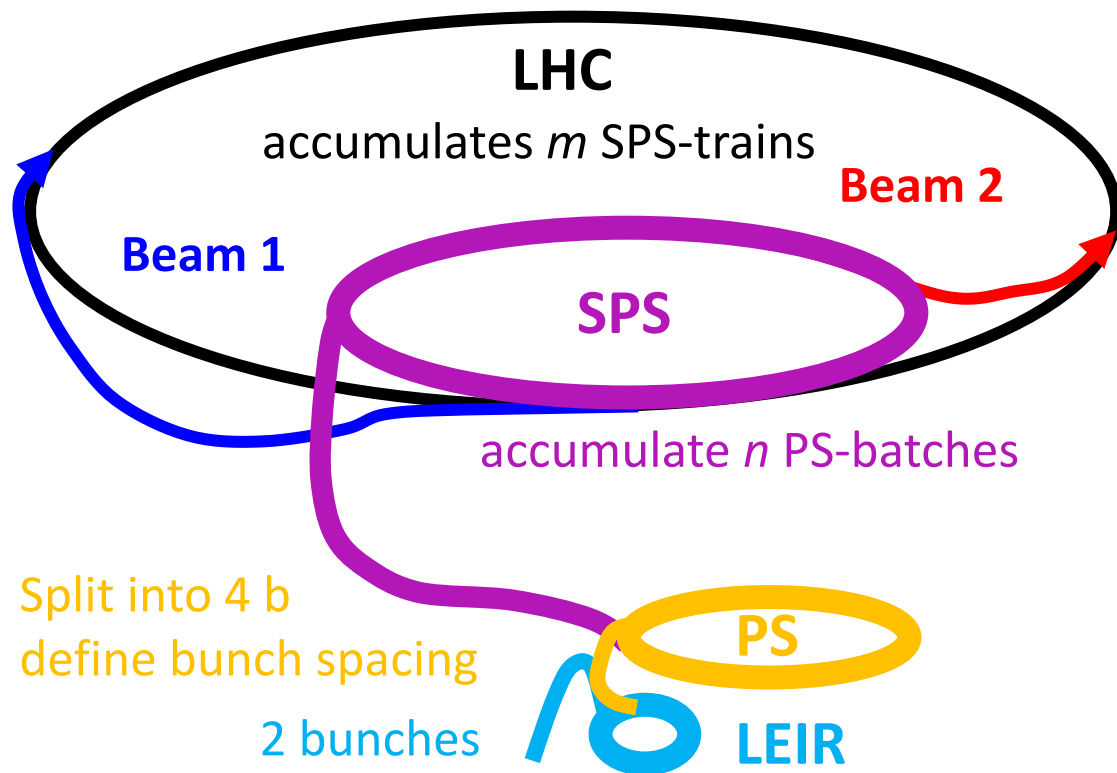
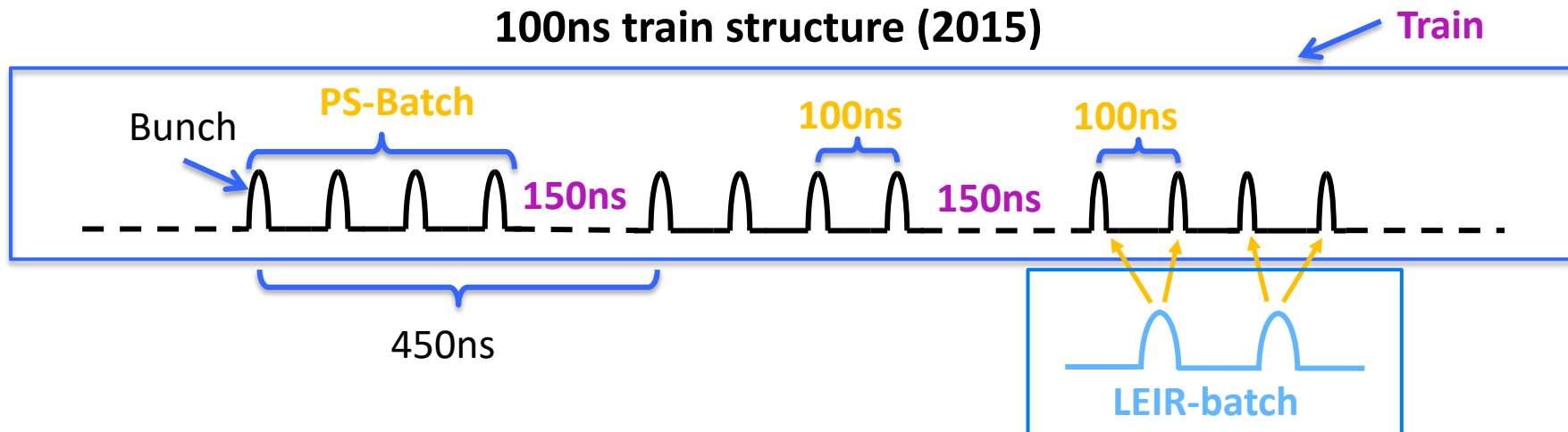
Acceleration

Top (max) Energy:
Store & Collide (LHC)

Injector cycles (e.g. PS or SPS) are analogous except: collisions → extraction

Filling Pattern: Production of Beam in the Injectors

100ns train structure (2015)



Filling scheme: How bunches are placed in the LHC defines which bunches collide where.

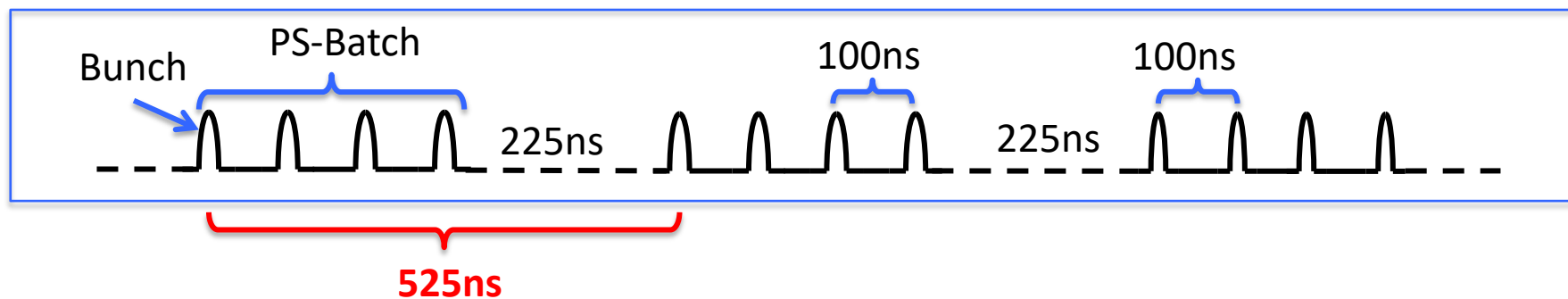
Due to symmetry and detector position not all bunches collide in each experiment.

Play with:

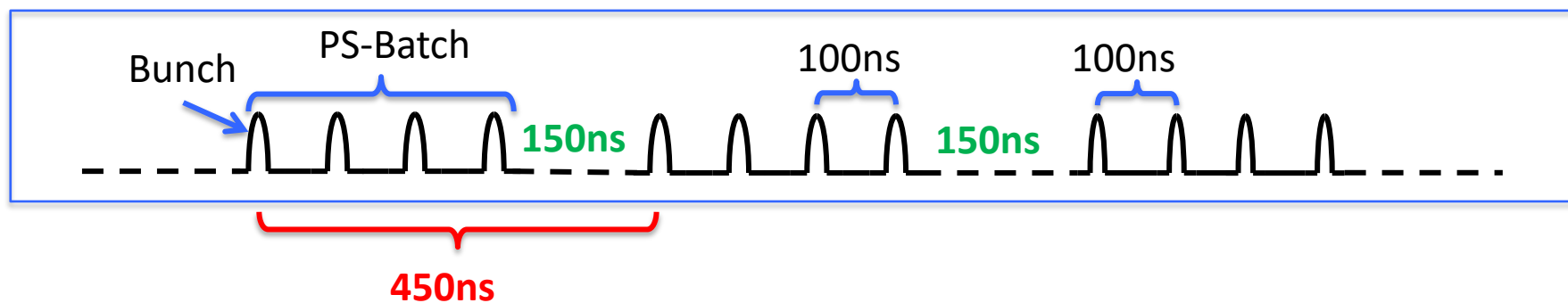
- Number of PS-batches per SPS-train
- Position of SPS-trains in LHC
- (*Separation levelling*) to get fair luminosity sharing.

Filling Pattern: design \rightarrow 100ns \rightarrow 75ns

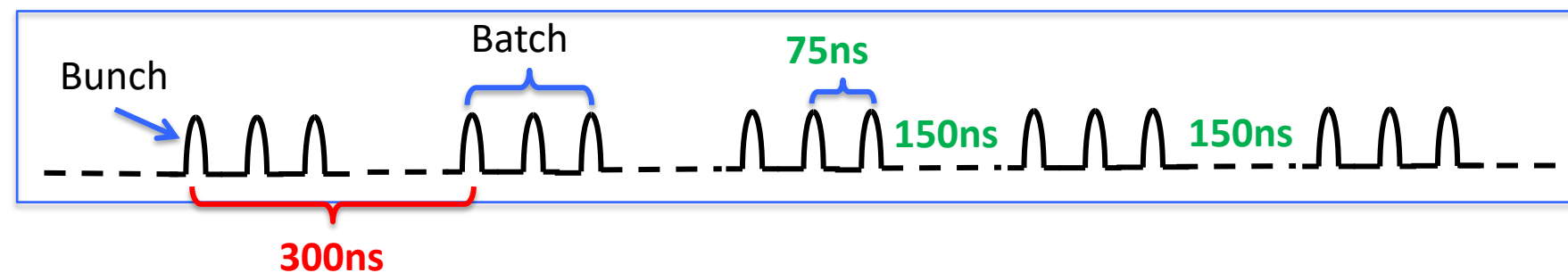
Design train structure



100ns train structure (2015)



75ns train structure (2018)



Reduction of PS-batch spacing by 30% (!)

Thanks to improvement of SPS injection kicker rise time

Bunch intensity >3x design

Improvement of performance throughout injector chain

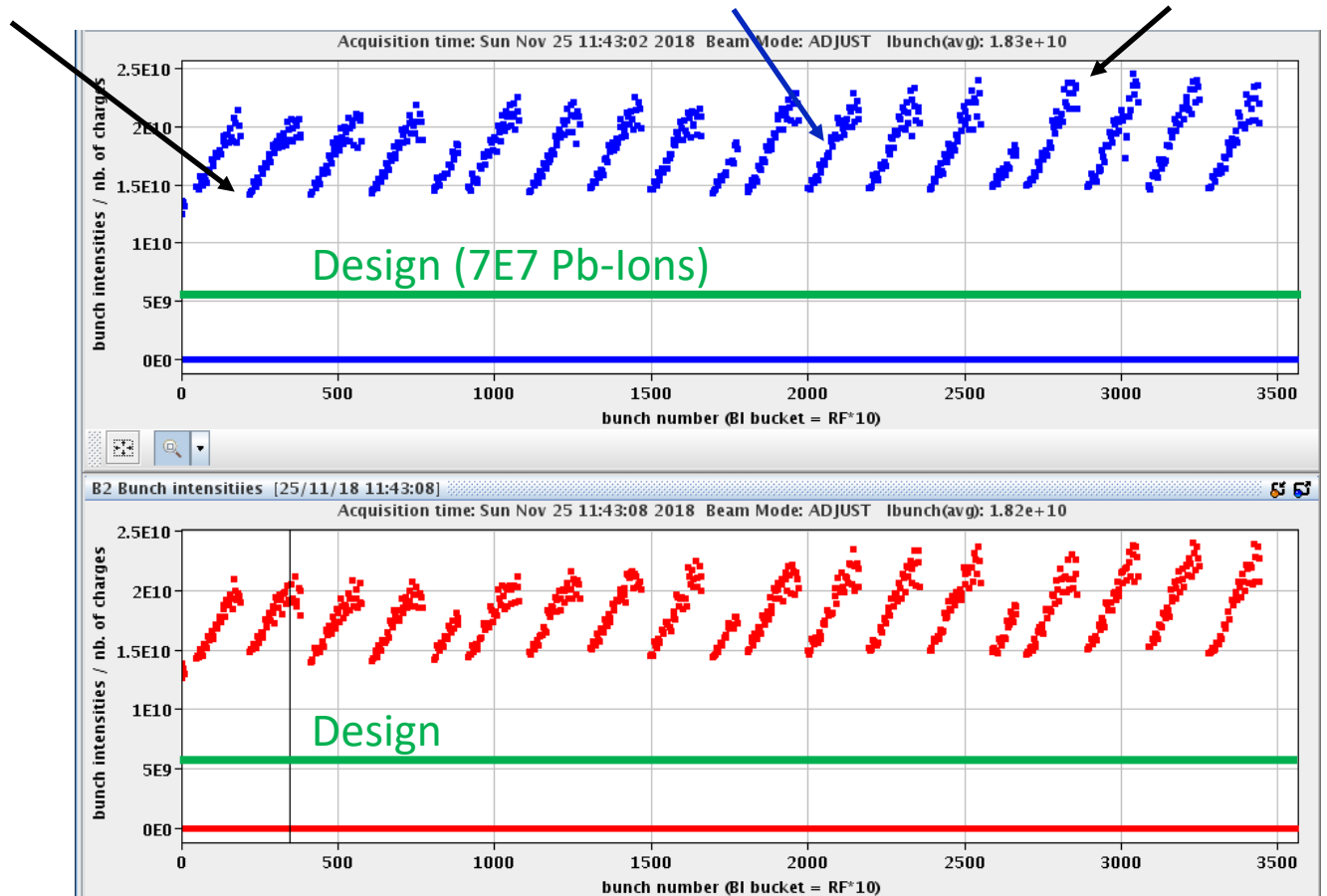
New 3-bunch scheme with reduced bunch spacing out of LEIR and no splitting in PS.

\rightarrow more bunches
 \rightarrow Higher bunch intensity

min. 1.8E8 Pb-Ions

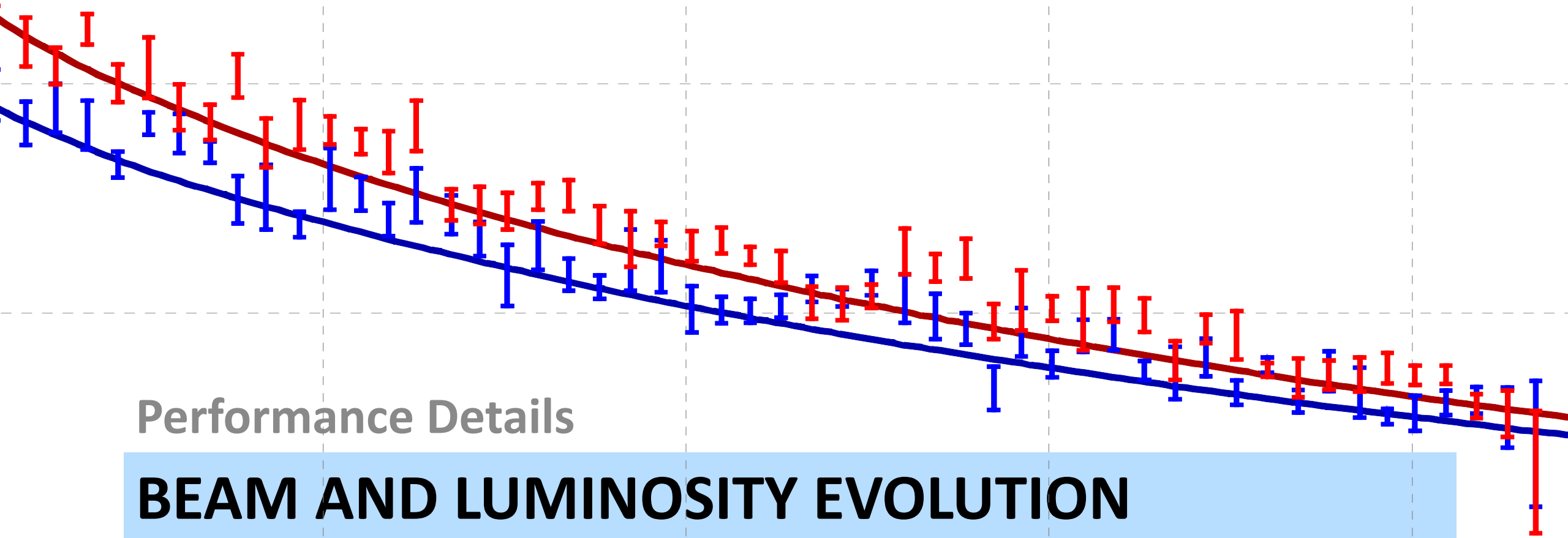
mean 2.2E8 Pb-Ions

max. 3E8 Pb-Ions



- Injectors provided **intensities far above the design.**
- Typical structure:
 - Along bunch train, due to losses at the SPS injection plateau.
 - Along the beam, similar losses in the LHC.
- Max. total number of bunches per beam: 733

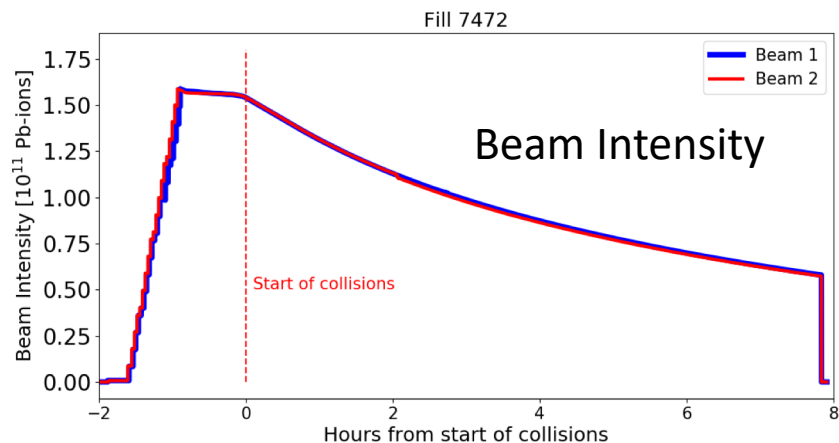
Screenshot from 2018 operation: bunch intensities at top energy just before collisions



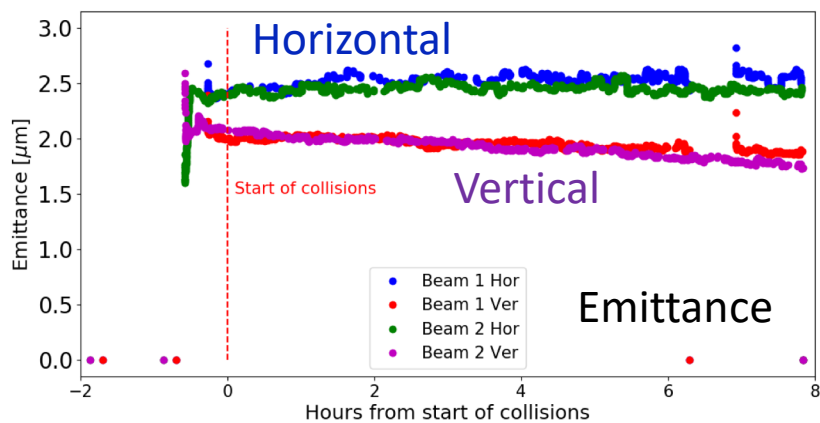
Performance Details

BEAM AND LUMINOSITY EVOLUTION

Intensity and Emittance Evolution

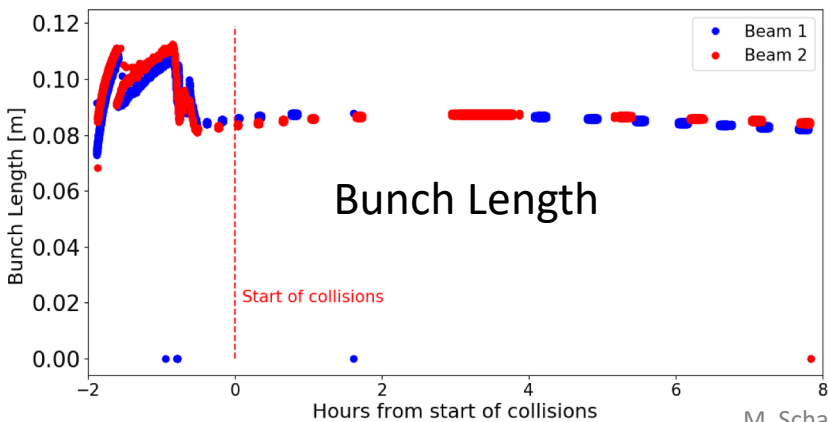


Beam intensity decay **dominated by burn-off**
(losses from production of collisions)



IBS counteracts radiation damping in horizontal plane

In vertical, IBS is negligible
→ rad. damping leads to shrinkage



Bunch length similar behavior to horizontal emittance

Typical Luminosity Evolution in 2018

Each experiment has individual requirements: max. Luminosity, β^* , crossing-angle, ...
 → Separated machine setup per IP, luminosity levelling, *luminosity sharing*

ATLAS & CMS:

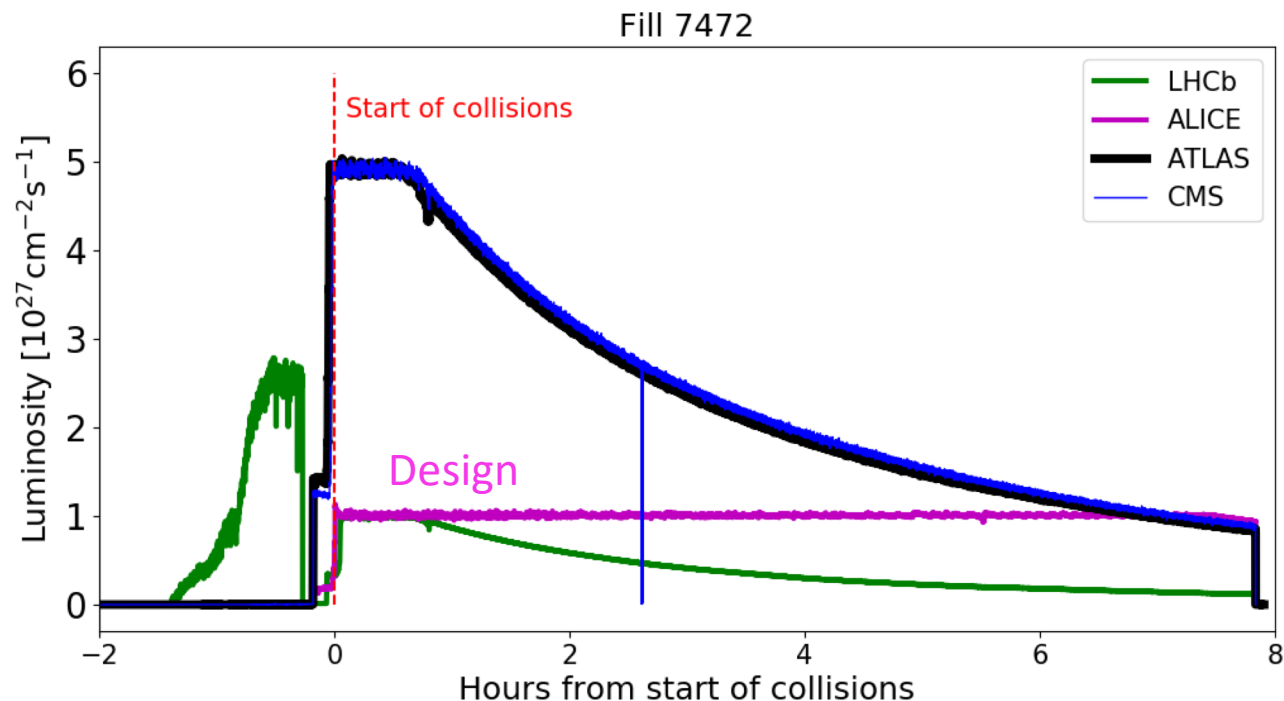
- $\beta^* = 0.5\text{m}$, $\theta_c = 170\mu\text{rad}$
- Short levelling period
- **Record: $6.1 \times 10^{27}\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$** peak luminosity

ALICE:

- $\beta^* = 0.5\text{m}$, $\theta_c = 60\mu\text{rad}$
- Levelled to design saturation level most of the time in physics.
- **Upgrade to $\sim 7 \times 10^{27}\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ in LS2.**

LHCb:

- $\beta^* = 1.5\text{m}$, $\theta_c = 250\mu\text{rad}$
- Also levelled to design value



LHC Pb-Pb design luminosity was chosen to be the detector saturation value of the ALICE experiment.

A (typical) LHC Ion Run

Overview of the 2018 Pb-Pb run

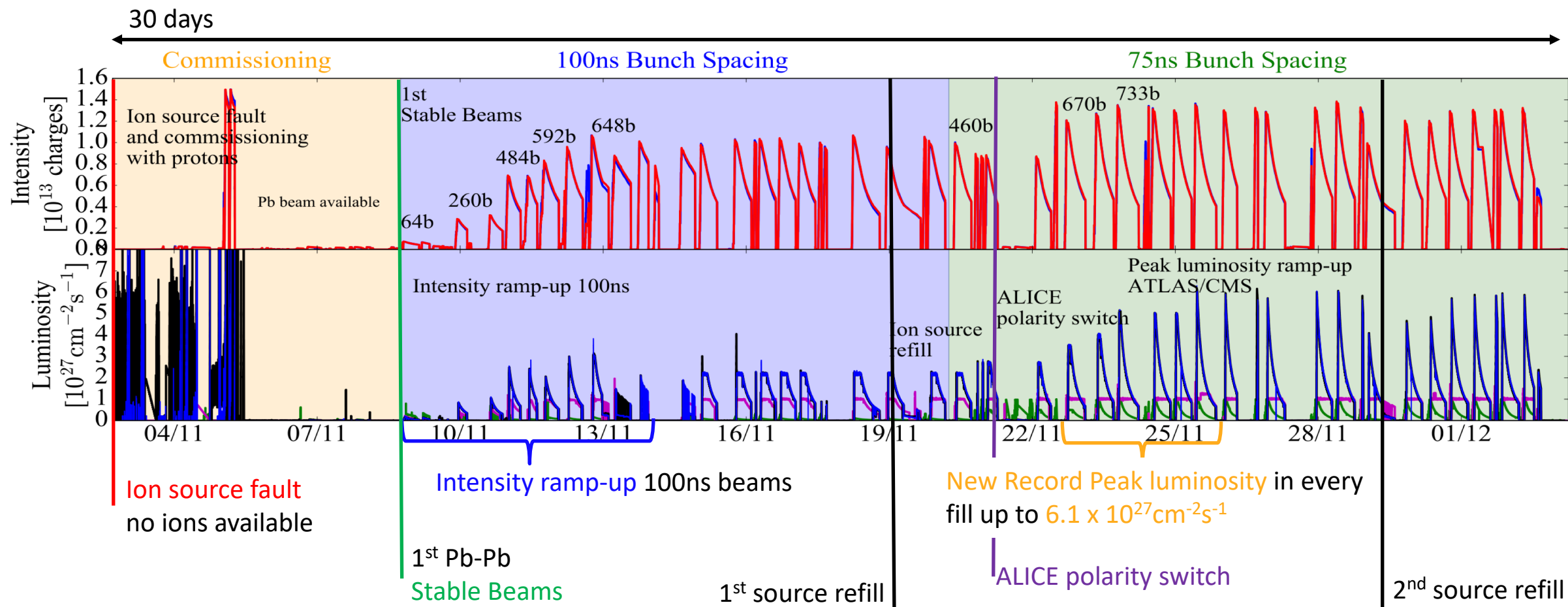
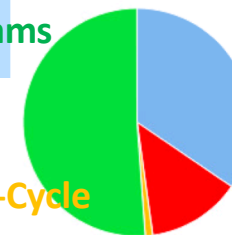
51% Stable Beams

35% Operation

1% Pre-Cycle

13% Fault

Availability
87%



Most of HL-LHC performance demonstrated!

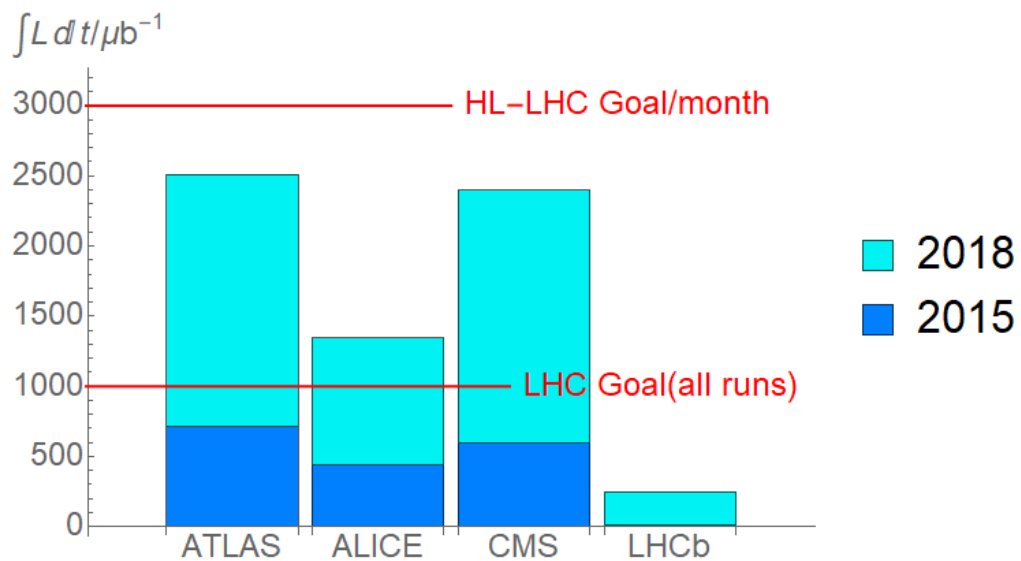
	Pb-Pb (Design)	Pb-Pb (2018 achieved)	"HL-LHC" Pb-Pb (after LS2)	Upgrade Status	
Energy [TeV]	7 Z	6.37 Z	7 Z	☹️	Magnet training
β^* at IP (1/2/5,8) [m]	(0.5, -)	(0.5, 1.5)	(0.5, 1.5)	😊	
Emittance [μm]	1.5	~2	1.65	😊	
Bunch Intensity [10^8 ions]	0.7	2.2	1.8	😊	
No. Bunches	592	733	1232	☹️	SPS RF Upgrade
Bunch Spacing	100ns	100ns → 75ns	50ns	☹️	(slip-stacking)
Peak Luminosity at IP1/2/5/8 [$10^{27}\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$]	- / 1 / 1 / -	6.1 / 1 / 6.1 / 1	7 / 7 / 7 / ?	😊	Lumi levelling

Green values reached & exceeded LHC design

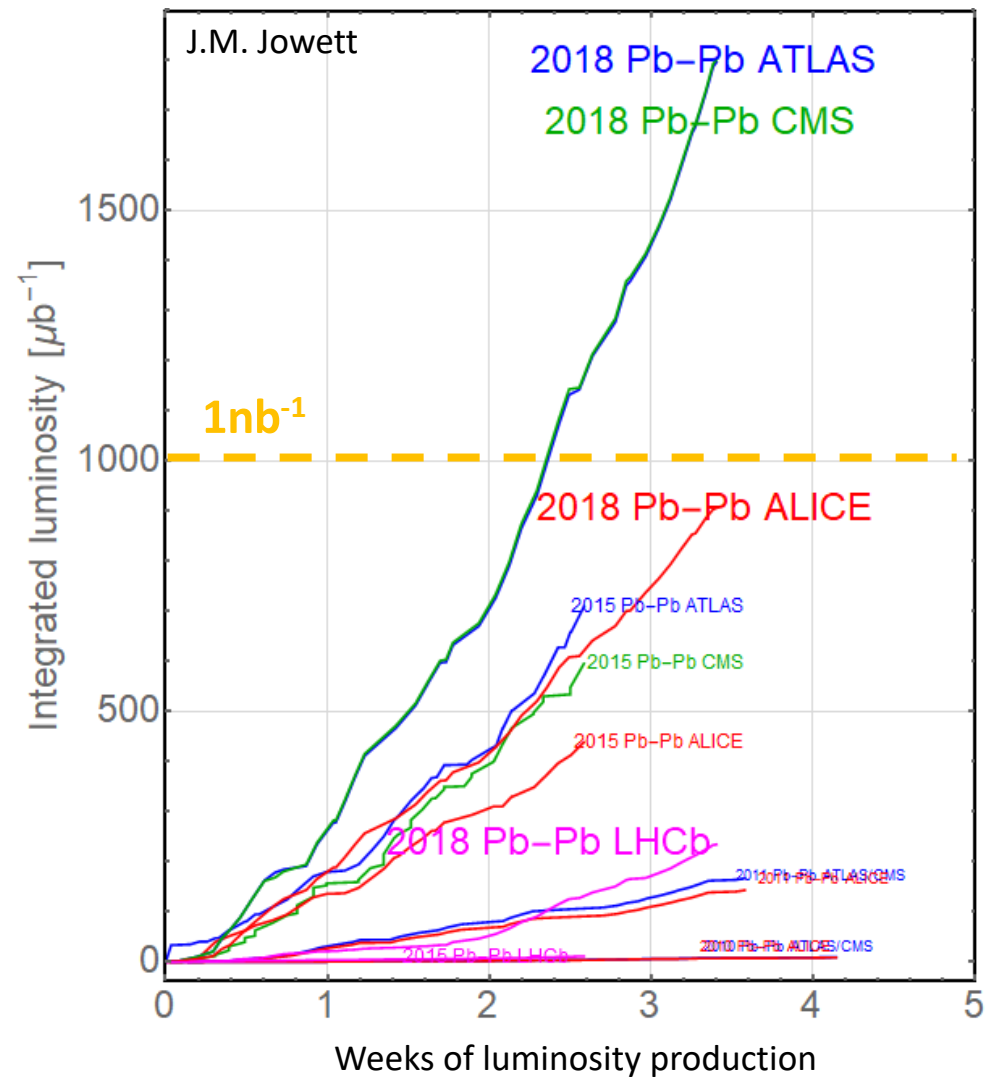
Some collisions in LHCb (not considered in detail yet)

Delivered Luminosity: Pb-Pb

LHC design goal of 1nb^{-1} in Pb-Pb luminosity already exceeded.



Future performance estimate from 2021:
 $3\text{nb}^{-1}/\text{run}$ → 12nb^{-1} in 4 more Pb-Pb runs



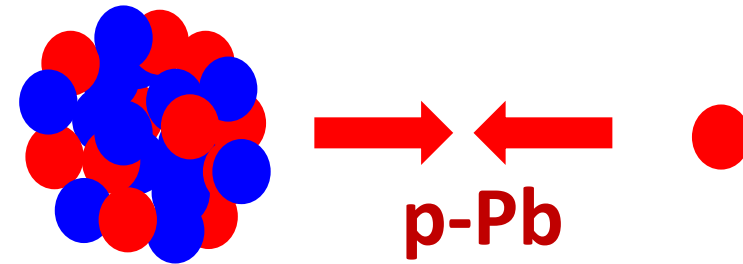
LHC has operated in 5 different modes, but was designed only for 2:

- Design: **p-p**, **Pb-Pb**
- Upgrade: **p-Pb**, **Xe-Xe** (pilot run), **Pb81+** (MD in July)

Few hours runs with new particle types showed that the LHC is highly flexible and well under control.

Demonstrating Flexibility

COLLISION MODE UPGRADES



PROTON-LEAD

Storing and Colliding Different Species

Revolution time and RF frequency depend on particle's mass m , charge $Q=Ze$:

$$T(p_p, m, Z) = \frac{C}{c} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{mc}{Zp_p}\right)^2}$$

$$f_{RF} = \frac{h_{RF}}{T(p_p, m, Z)}$$

where harmonic number
 $h_{RF} = 35640$ in LHC

Relation between momenta is fixed by two-in-one magnet design: $p_{Pb} = Zp_p \rightarrow T_p \neq T_{Pb} \rightarrow f_{RF,p} \neq f_{RF,Pb}$
But in order for bunches to meet repeatedly and create collisions we need: $T_p = T_{Pb} \rightarrow f_{RF,p} = f_{RF,Pb}$

→ Use **length of closed orbit C** to compensate for speed difference.

Done by **adjusting RF frequency** → **moving to (slightly) off-momentum orbit**

$$T(p_p, m, Z) = \frac{C}{c} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{mc}{Zp_p}\right)^2} (1 + \eta\delta)$$

→ Pb is slower, need smaller orbit length → move inward, $\delta < 0$

→ Protons are faster, need longer orbit length → move outward, $\delta > 0$

momentum of offset orbit

↓

$$\delta = \frac{p - Zp_p}{Zp_p}$$

Fractional momentum difference

$$\eta = \frac{1}{\gamma_T} - \frac{1}{\gamma}$$

Phase-slip factor,
 $\gamma_T = 55.8$ for LHC optics

Horizontal offset given by dispersion: $\Delta x = D_x(s)\delta$

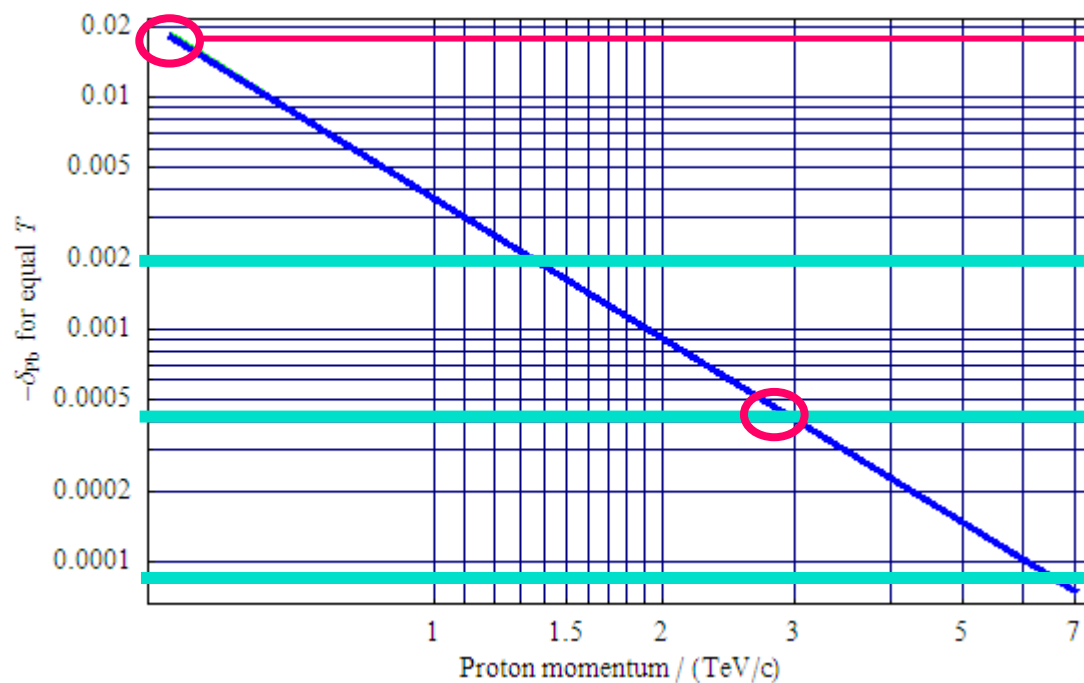
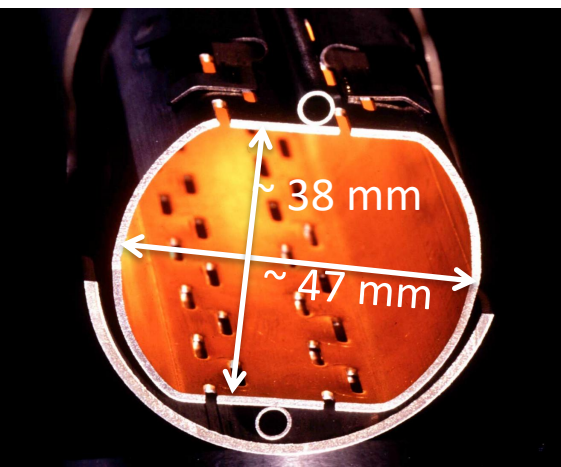
Momentum Offset required through Ramp

Minimize needed aperture \rightarrow take average f_{RF} of both beams and share required momentum offset:

$$\delta_p = -\delta_{Pb} = \frac{c^2 \gamma_T^2}{4p_p^2} \left(\frac{m_{Pb}^2}{Z^2} - m_p^2 \right)$$

Horizontal offset given by dispersion:

$$\Delta x = D_x(s) \delta$$



2% - would move beam by 35 mm in QF!!

D_x (Quadrupole) \approx 2m

Limit with pilot beams

Limit in normal operation (1 mm in arc QD)

\sim 500 μ m offset from central orbit at 6.5 Z TeV

Revolution frequencies must be equal for collisions at top energy.
 Lower limit on beam energy for p-Pb collisions, $E=2.7 Z$ TeV.
RF frequencies must be unequal for injection, ramp!

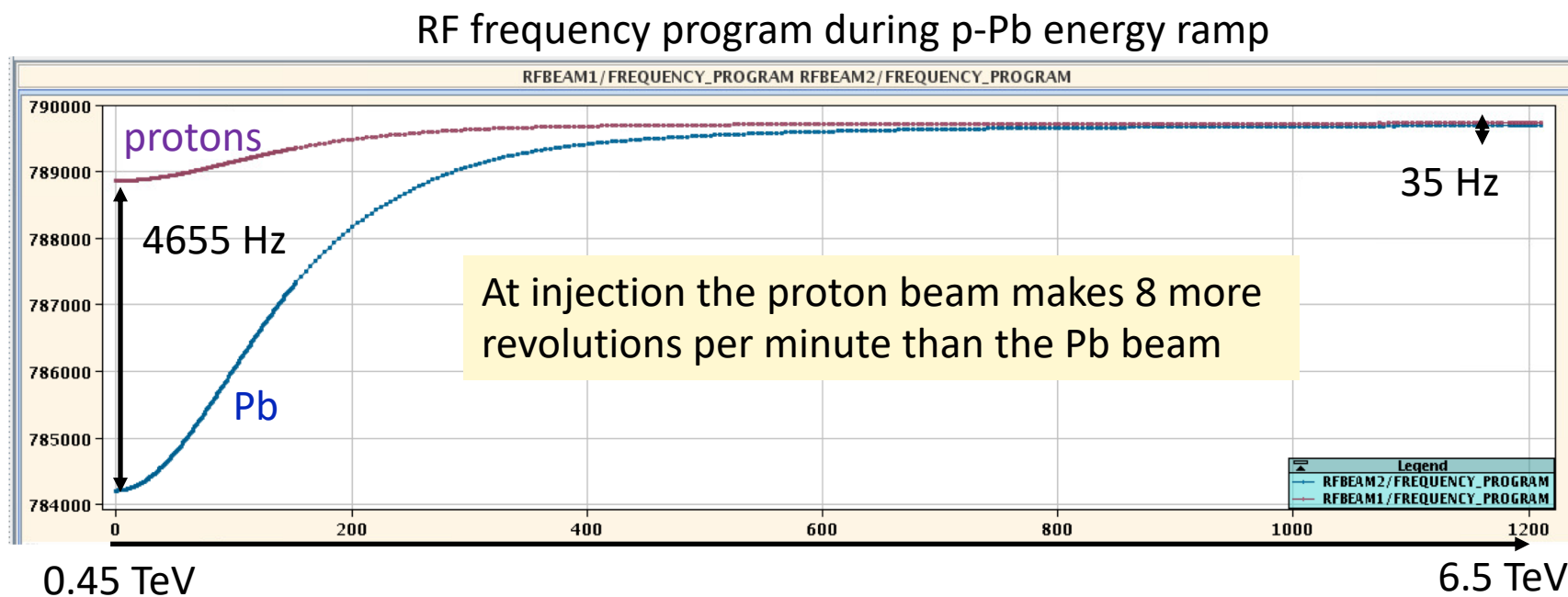
Un-equal Frequency Injection and Ramp

Both beams **circulate on the central orbit**, but with **un-equal frequencies**.

→ Arrive at different times in the IP – **missing synchronization for collisions** in every turn.

→ At injection and during energy ramp beams are always **kept separated** to avoid collisions anyway.

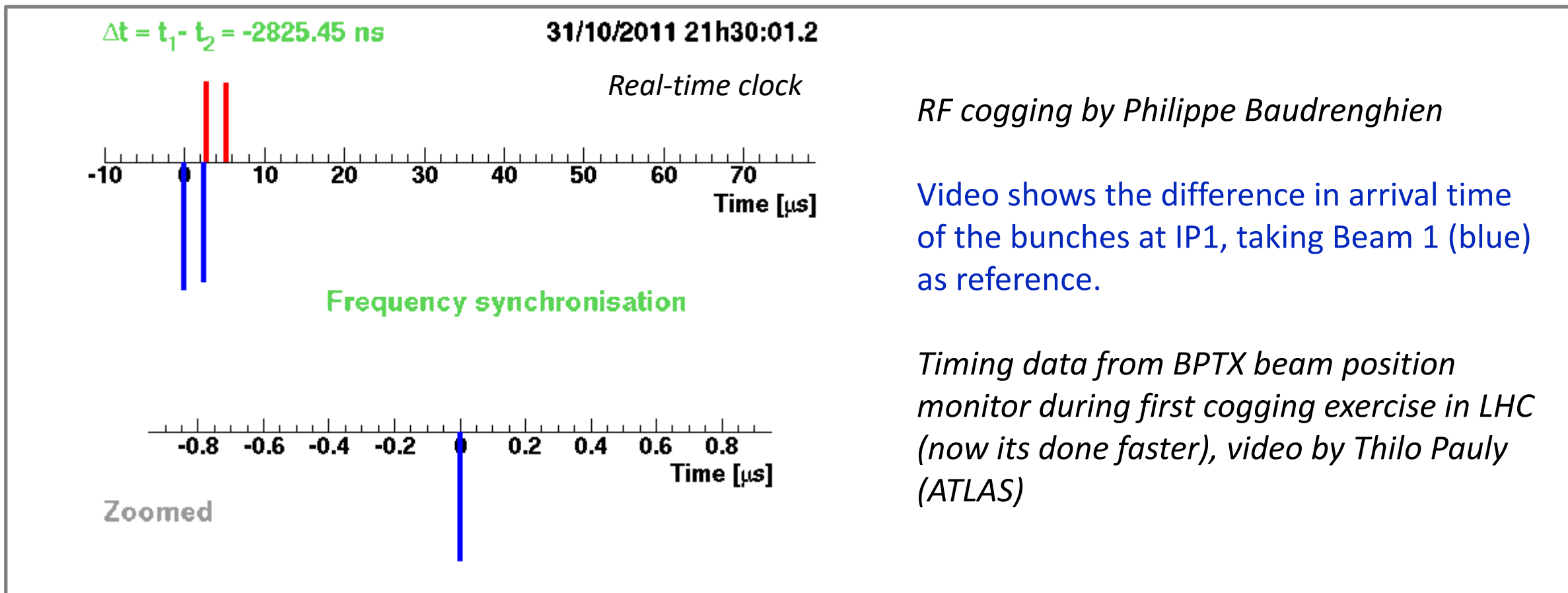
When being accelerated, the speeds of the two species approach each other.



Top Energy: Cogging and Collisions

At top energy (min. 2.7 Z TeV):

- **Equalize revolution frequencies** for collisions → move beams to off-momentum orbit.
- **Cogging**: RF re-phasing to re-establish synchronization of bunch arrival times in IP (see video).
- Squeeze and Collide



History and Performance of p-Pb Collisions at LHC

Long considered desirable by experiments but never included in LHC baseline design.

2005: First estimates

2011: Preparation of LHC + feasibility test

2012: Physics case document + Pilot-run (one night)

2013: 1st full physics runs

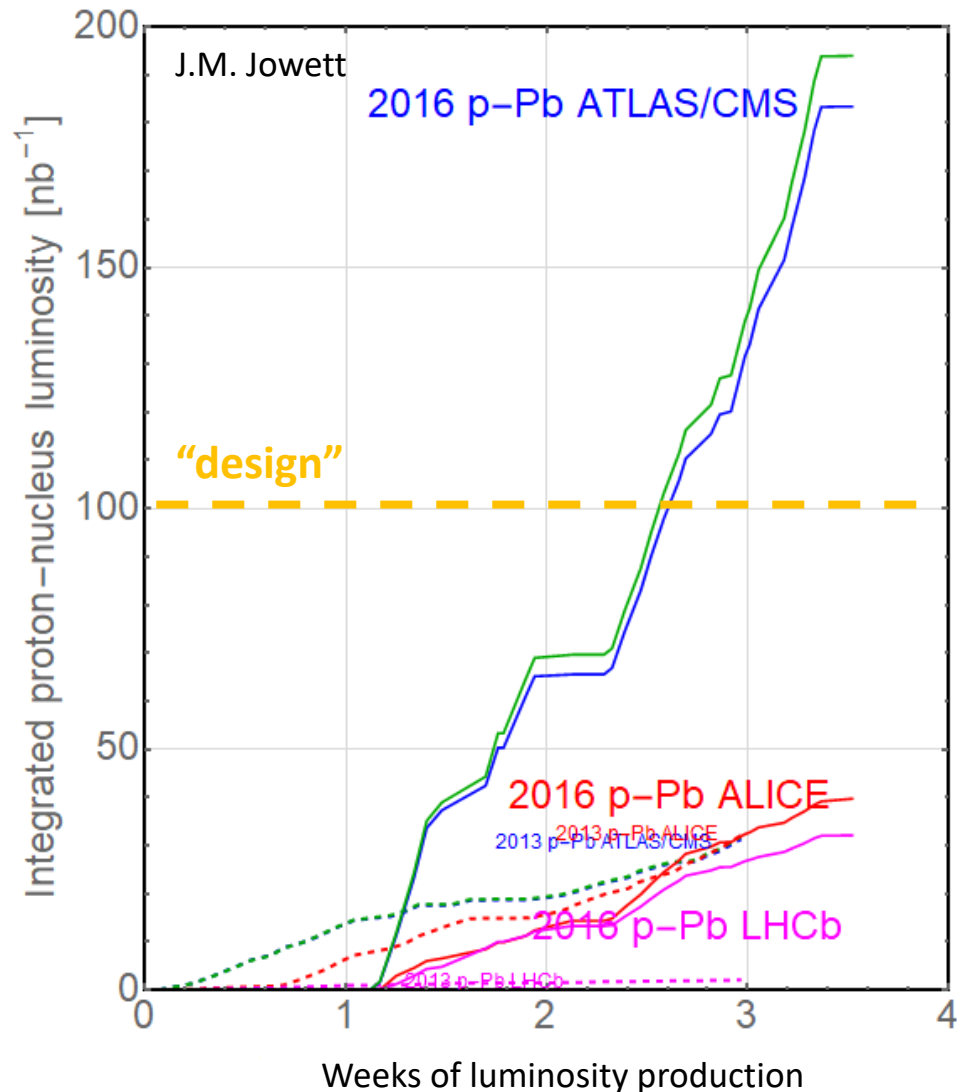
2016: 2nd run with multiple collision conditions

	ATLAS/CMS	ALICE	LHCb
2016	190 nb ⁻¹	40 nb ⁻¹	30 nb ⁻¹
Total	222 nb ⁻¹	72 nb ⁻¹	35 nb ⁻¹

Future performance estimate:

~700 nb⁻¹/run (ATLAS/CMS)

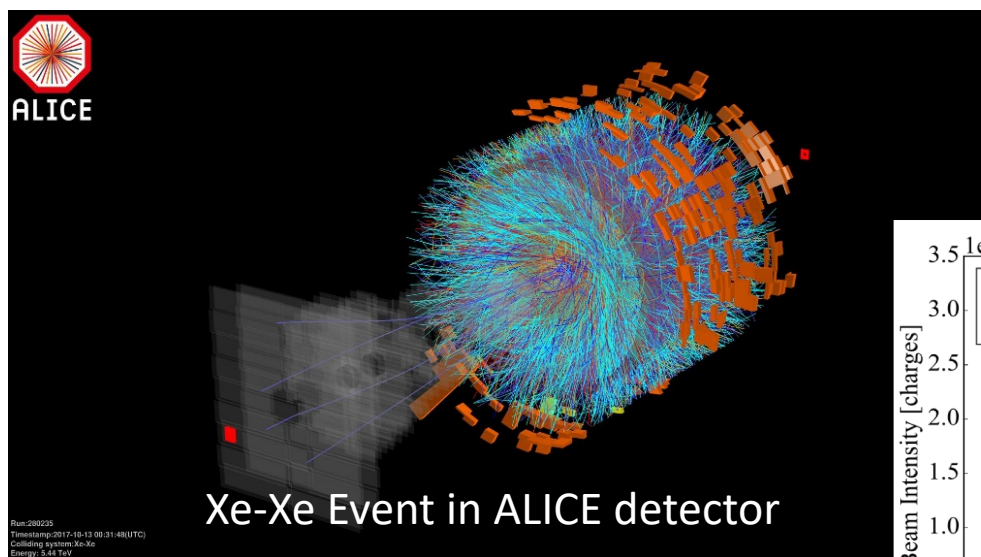
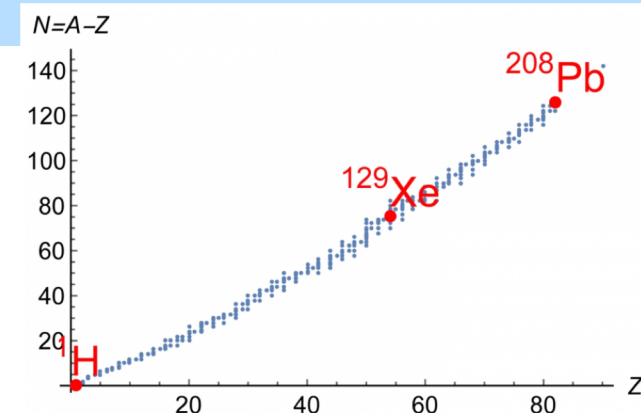
~350 nb⁻¹/run (ALICE levelled)



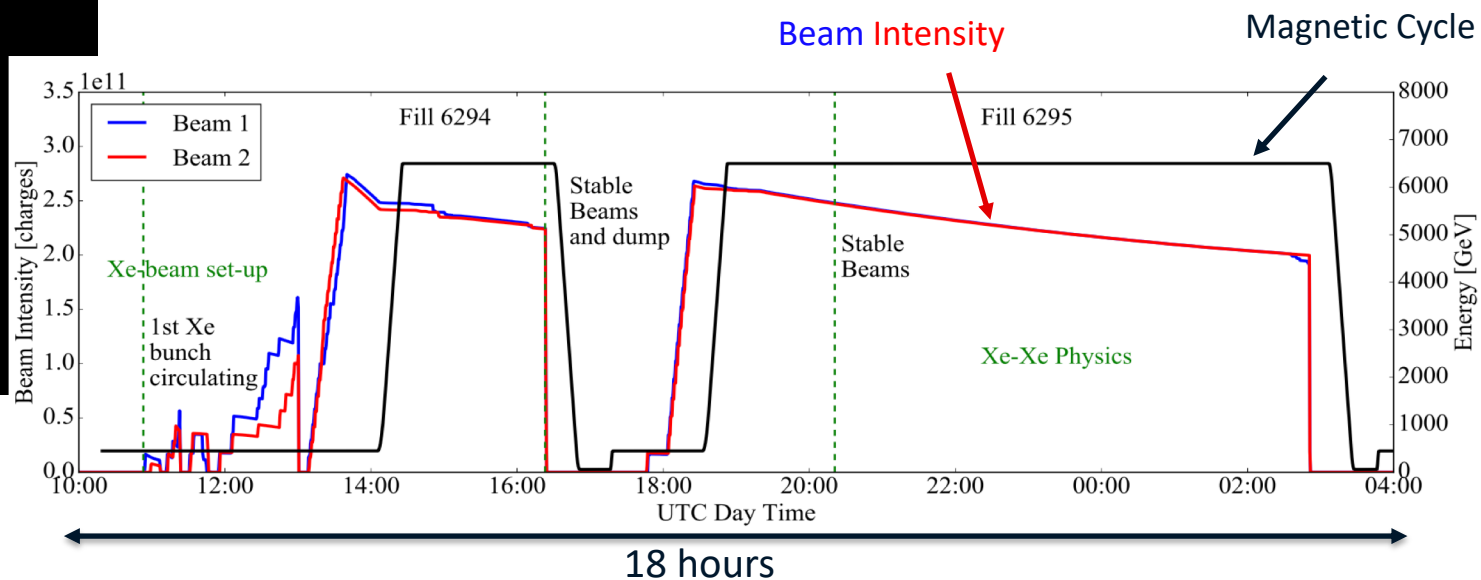
UNFORESEEN OPERATIONAL MODES

Xe-Xe Collisions

- **Lighter ions are not part of the present HL-LHC baseline.**
 - Potential for higher nucleon-nucleon luminosities (smaller el.mag. cross-sections)
- 17h of low-intensity running with Xe beams in 2017.
 - Demonstrated the feasibility to operate with other species.
 - Great physics outcome fed the interest in lighter ions for HL-LHC era



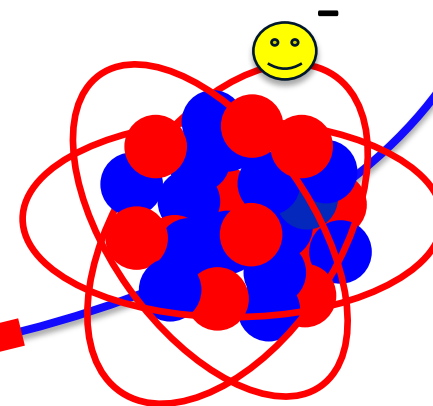
Total period of LHC Xe-Xe Operations



- The **Gamma Factory** initiative proposes to use **partially stripped ion (PSI)** beams as drivers of a new type, high intensity photon source.
- Initial beam tests with PSI beams have been executed in the SPS in 2017/18.
- In 2018 the **LHC injected, accelerated** and **stored** lead ions with one remaining electron (**208Pb^{81+}**) for the first time.

Physics Beyond
Colliders

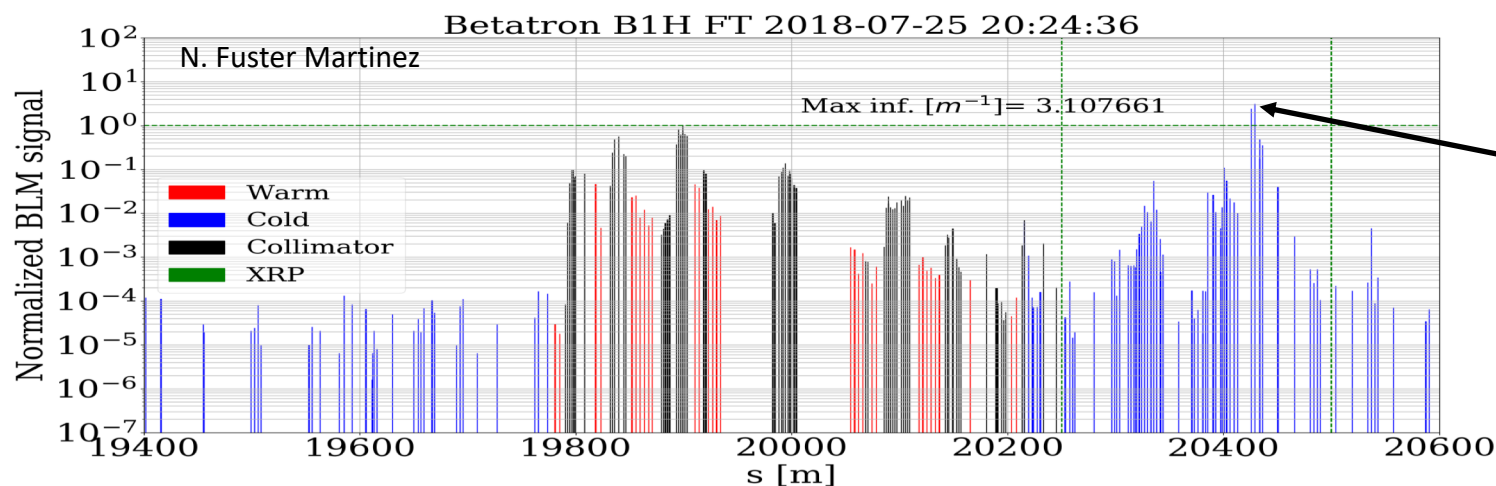
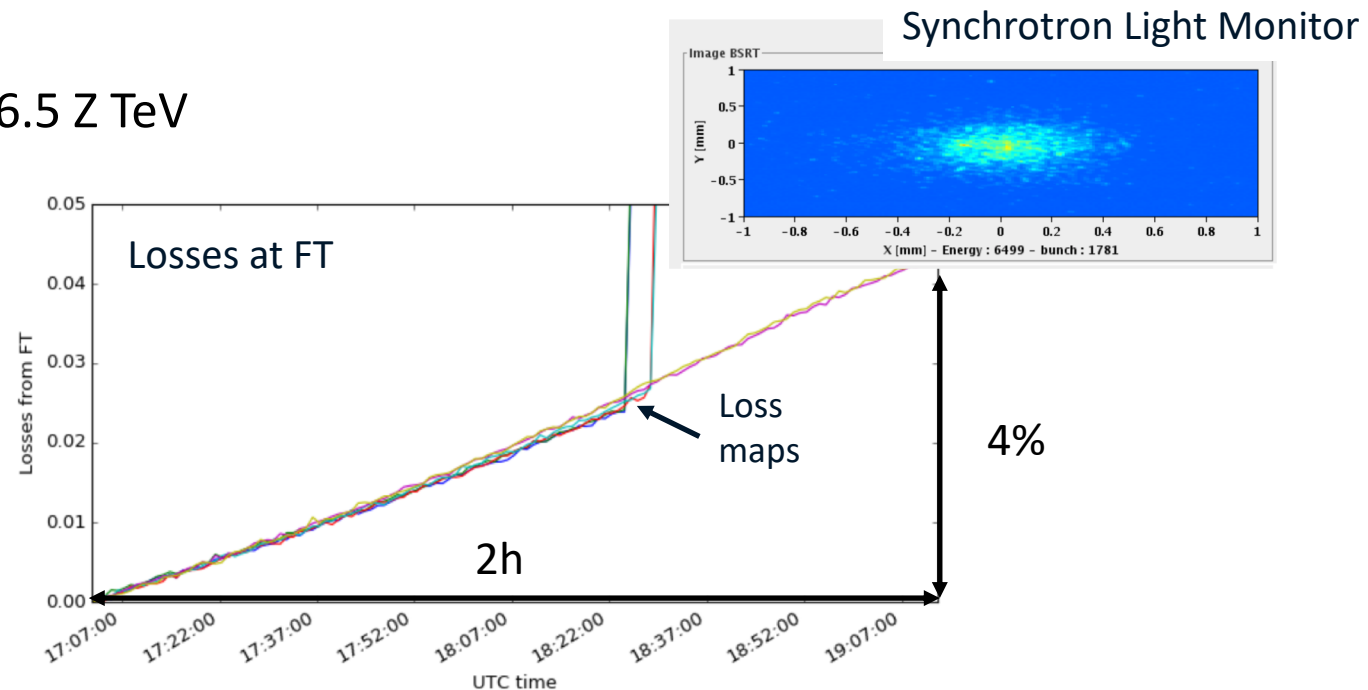
208Pb^{81+}



Partially Stripped Ions

A few Pb81+ bunches circulated at 6.5 Z TeV with **beam lifetimes of ~40 hours**.

Worst collimation cleaning efficiency ever observed. Introduces **dominant limit of the beam intensity**.



*Electrons are stripped off at first interaction with collimators leading to a change of rigidity outside acceptance:
→ Pb82+ lost in cell 11R7.*

Take home message ...

The LHC is **highly flexible**: has operated in **5 modes** but was **designed for 2**

Design: p-p, Pb-Pb
Upgrade: p-Pb, Xe-Xe, Pb⁸¹⁺

Rapid switching between modes

The LHC Heavy-Ion performance is much higher than originally foreseen.

extraordinary injector performance

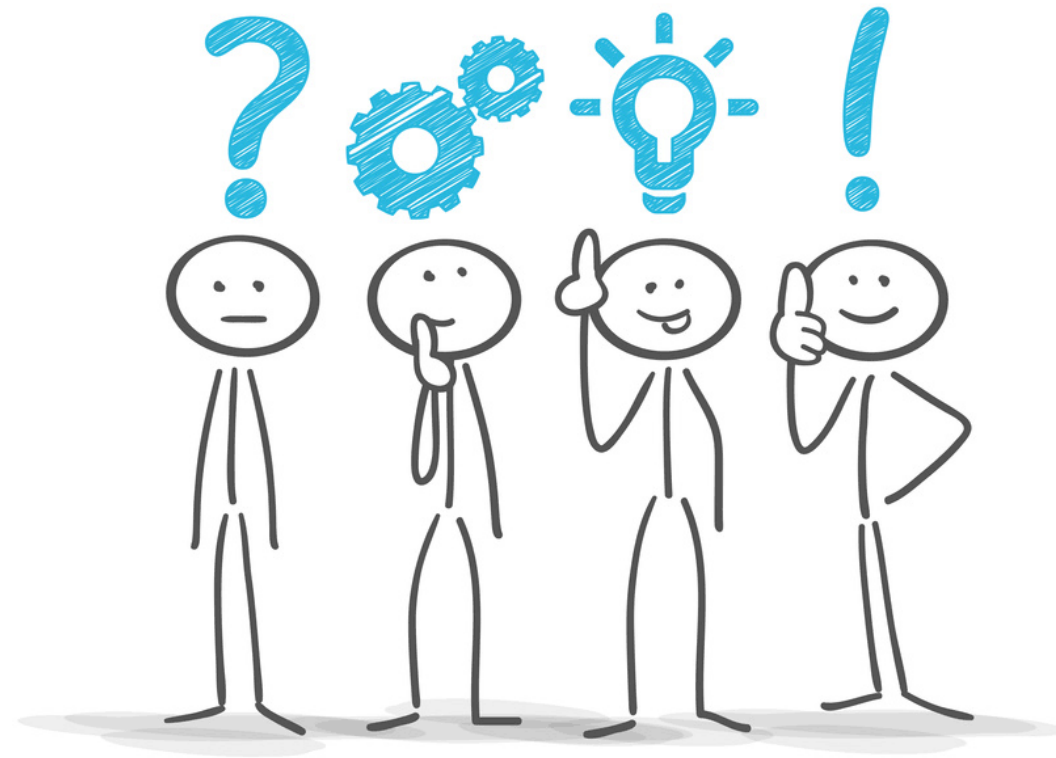
optimizations between & during runs

“first 10-year” Pb-Pb luminosity goal of 1nb^{-1} has been exceeded

demonstrated “HL-LHC” peak luminosity performance

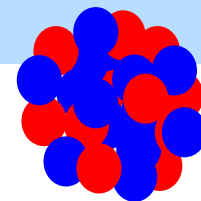
Control of **heavy-ion beam losses**, like collimation & BFPP, is critical, complicated and may surprise.

Heavy ions will come back to the LHC end of 2021 after the injector and LHC hardware upgrades with the “HL-LHC” configuration.



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Everything clear! Hmm



In general an ion is described by

charge Qe

(Lorenz-Invariant or rest) mass m

nucleon number ("mass number") A .

Mainly collide **fully-stripped ions**, bare nuclei $\rightarrow Q = Z$ (charge or proton number)

in LHC we use $^{208}\text{Pb}^{82+}$ with

$$Z = 82$$

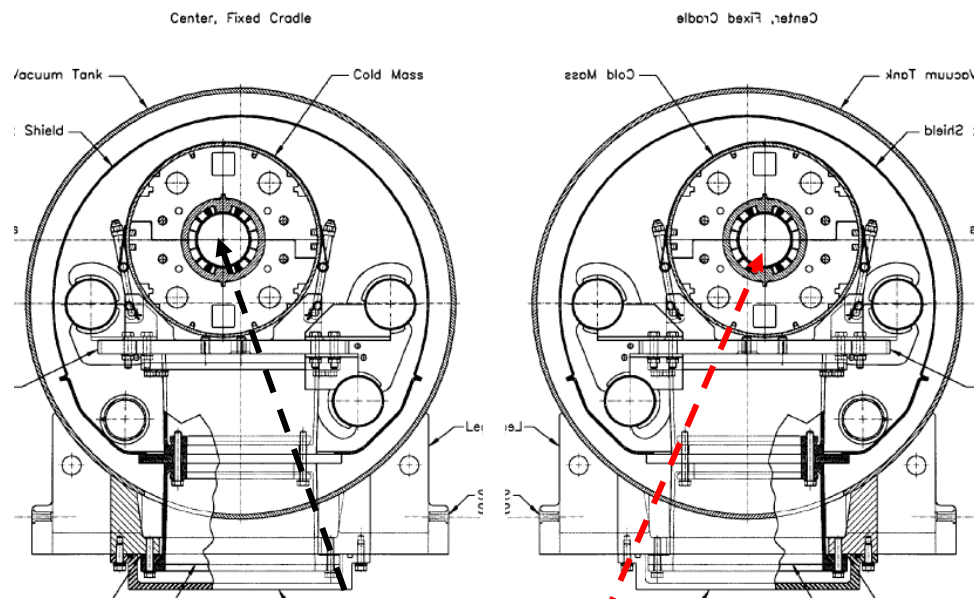
$$A = 208$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_{208\text{-Pb-}82+} &= 207.976652071\text{u} - 82m_e \\ &= (193.729 - 82 \times 0.000511) \text{ GeV} / c^2 \\ &= 193.687 \text{ GeV} / c^2 \end{aligned}$$

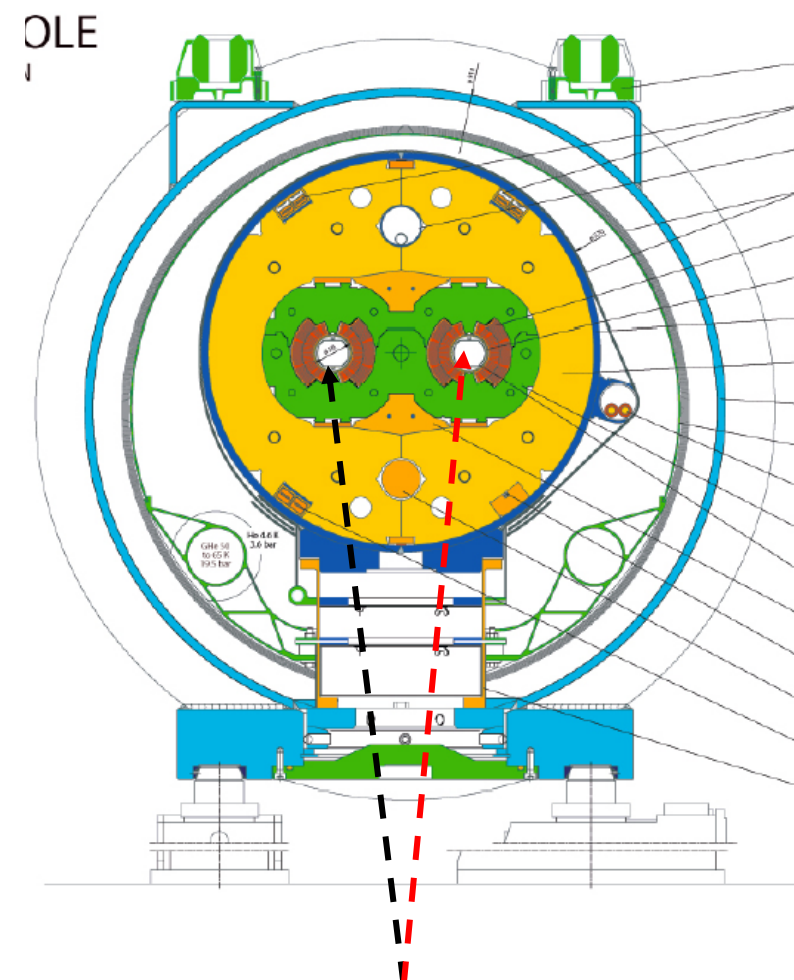
N.B. $208m_p = 195.161 \text{ GeV} / c^2$ is a poor approximation!
For this species the binding energy of the 82 electrons $< 1 \text{ MeV}$.

$$1\text{u} = 931.49410242(28) \text{ MeV}$$

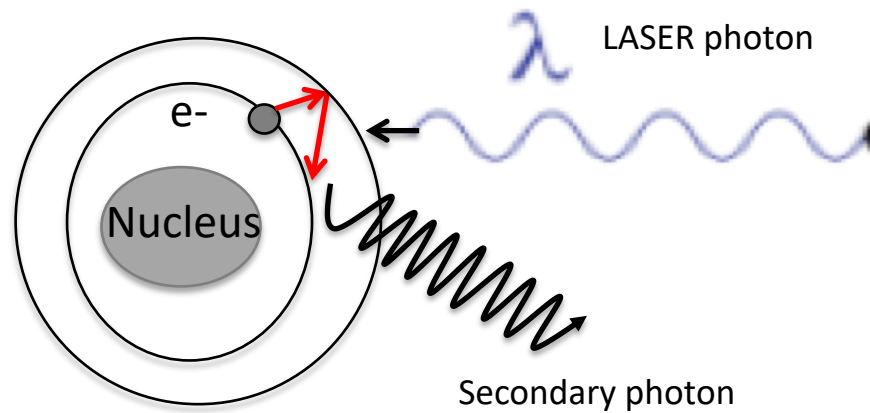
Critical difference between RHIC and LHC



RHIC: Independent bending field for the two beams – they abandoned equal-rigidity and switched to equal-frequency d-Au.



LHC: Identical bending field in both apertures of two-in-one dipole – no choice



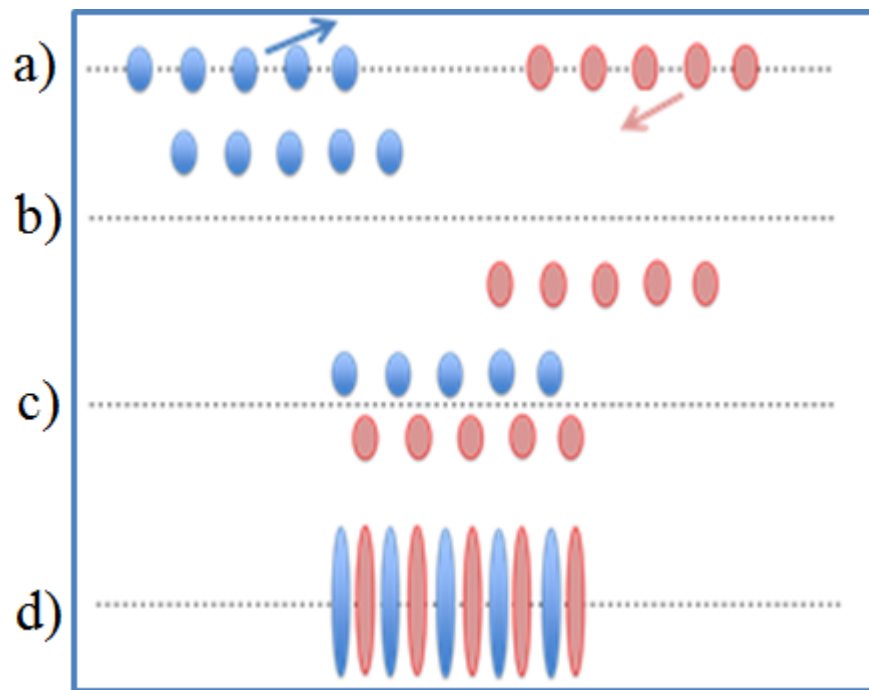
1.) Resonant absorption of the laser photons by the Partially Stripped Ion (PSI) beam.

2.) Followed by a spontaneous atomic-transition emissions of secondary photons.

LASER photon strongly boosted by $(2\gamma_{rel})^2 \rightarrow$ For LHC energy, photon energy exceeds those reachable for FEL at high light intensity.

Slip-Stacking

- Technique to obtain **effective 50/50ns bunch spacing within Pb trains**. Builds together with LEIR intensity upgrade the new LIU baseline option.
- The SPS is filled with 2 "super-batches" of 6 x 4-bunch-PS-batches with a bunch spacing of 100ns.
- The 2 super-batches are captured by two independently controlled 200MHz cavity systems.



- a) Decelerate first super-batch, accelerate second super-batch.
- b) Batches are allowed to slip until they interleave.
- c) Bring back to same energy.
- a) Recapture at an average RF frequency.

Collisions in LHCb

LHCb interaction point is displaced by **15 buckets (=37.5ns)** with respect to symmetry point.

In order to have a collision in LHCb a long-range (LR) beam-beam encounter is required at a distance of 37.5ns or 11.25m away from the symmetry point.

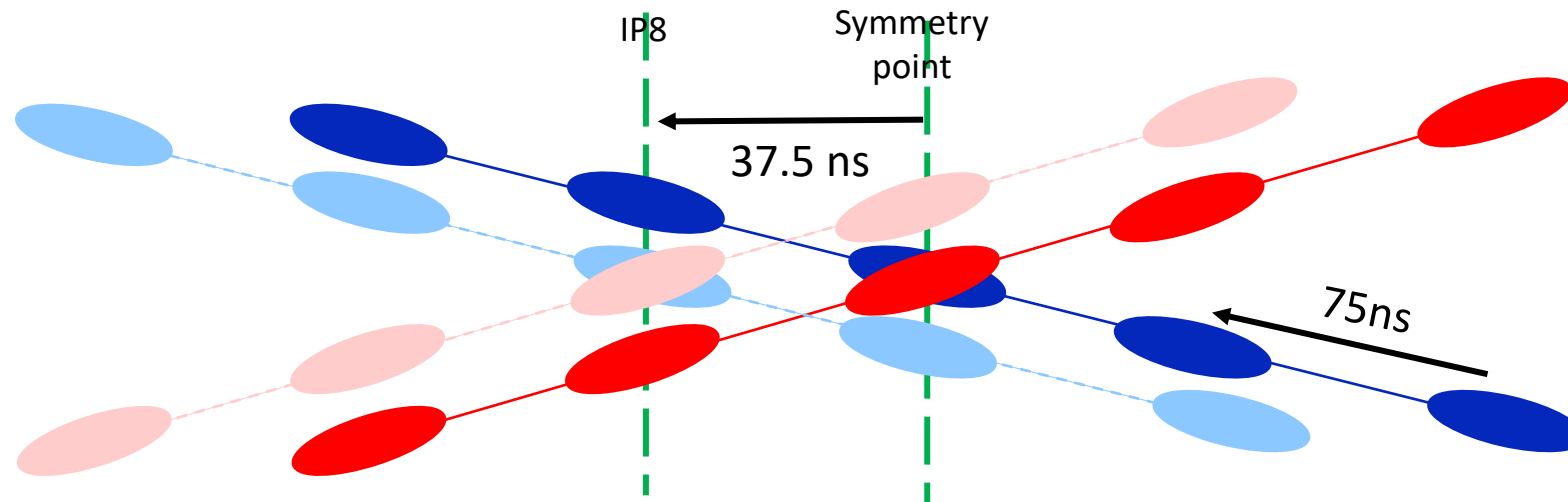
Long-range beam-beam encounters occur at **$s = n \times \frac{1}{2}$ bunch spacing**:

25ns bunch spacing → LR @ 12.5ns, 25ns, **37.5ns** ... → **collisions in LHCb**

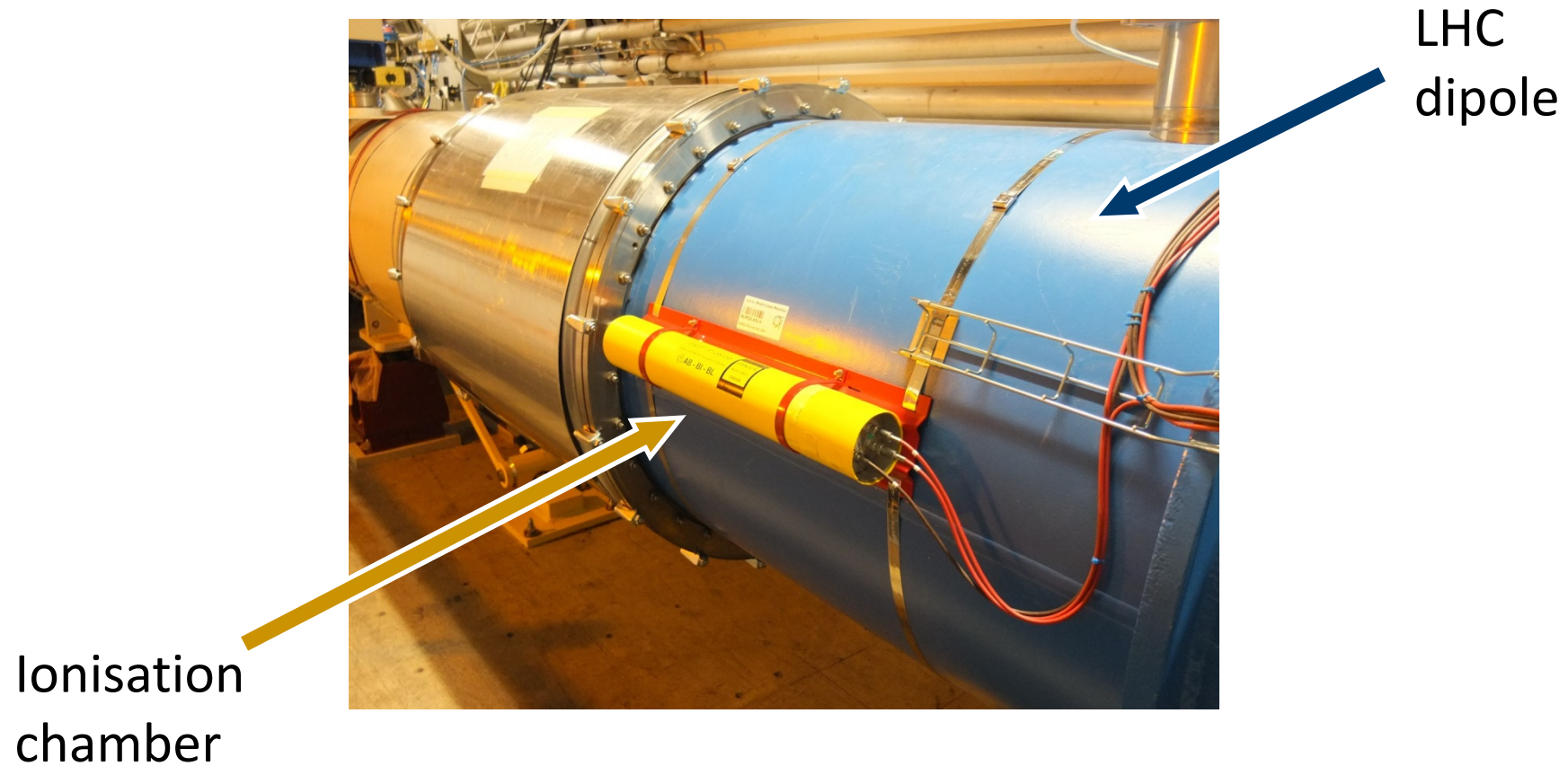
50ns bunch spacing → LR @ 25ns, 50ns ... → **need to displace a train of bunches to create collisions**

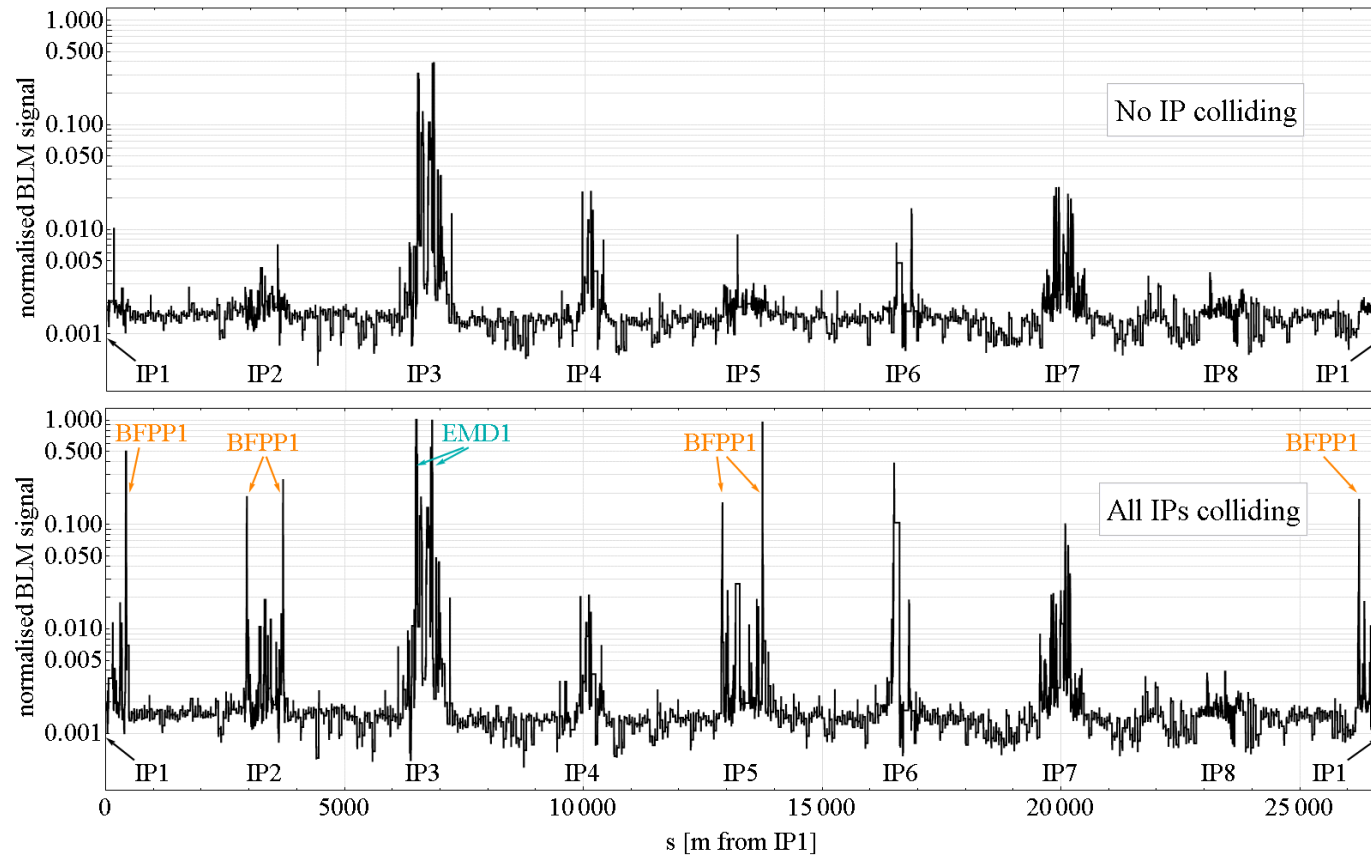
75ns bunch spacing → LR @ **37.5ns**, 75ns ... → **collisions in LHCb**

100ns bunch spacing → LR @ 50ns, 100ns ... → **need to displace a train of bunches to create collisions**



The **Beam Loss Monitor (BLM) System** measures secondary particles from beam losses all around LHC circumference.

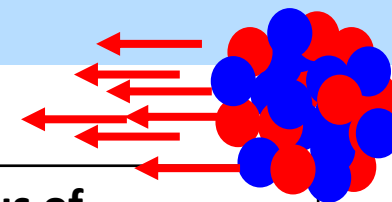




Before collisions

IP1, IP2, IP5 colliding

Notations – Energy of ions/nuclei and nucleons



Energy and momentum are related via the square of the 4-momentum vector,

$$\mathbf{P} = (E/c, \mathbf{p}),$$

$$P^2 = \frac{E^2}{c^2} - p^2 = m^2 c^2$$

Nucleus of

- charge Ze
- (rest) mass m
- nucleon number A

where m is the Lorentz-invariant mass (rest mass) of the nucleus.

Traditionally, in low-energy ion accelerators, the **kinetic energy per nucleon** is quoted in parameter lists:

$$E_{kin} = \frac{\sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4} - mc^2}{A} \approx \frac{E}{A} \quad \text{at high energy}$$

but this quantity **does not appear in any equation of motion!**

At LHC (**highly relativistic case**) we use:

$$E \approx pc = \underbrace{7.0 Z \text{ TeV}}_{\text{Energy per charge, relation to proton energy}} = \underbrace{2.76 A \text{ TeV}}_{\text{Energy per nucleon}} = \underbrace{574 \text{ TeV}}_{\text{Energy of the particle}}$$

Derive Center-of-Mass Equations for Collisions of two Species

$$\begin{aligned}
 (P_1 + P_2)^2 &= (E_1 + E_2)^2/c^2 - (\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2)^2 \\
 &= E_1^2/c^2 + E_2^2/c^2 + 2E_1E_2/c^4 - \vec{p}_1^2 - \vec{p}_2^2 - 2p_1p_2 \cos \alpha \\
 &\xrightarrow[\substack{\alpha = 180^\circ \\ E \approx pc}]{\text{arrow}} = 4p_1p_2 \\
 &= 4p_p^2 Z_1 Z_2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{(P_1 + P_2)^2} = \sqrt{s} = 2p_p^2 \sqrt{Z_1 Z_2}$$

Center-of-Mass Energy

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2p_p^2 \sqrt{\frac{Z_1 Z_2}{A_1 A_2}}$$

Center-of-Mass Energy per nucleon

The total luminosity in 1 experiment
is the **sum over all colliding individual bunches** of the 2 beams:

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{(i,j) \in \text{coll.pairs}}^{k_b} \frac{N_{1,i} N_{2,j} f_{\text{rev}} \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}}{2\pi \beta^* \sqrt{\epsilon_{x,1,i} + \epsilon_{x,2,j}} \sqrt{\epsilon_{y,1,i} + \epsilon_{y,2,j}}}$$

For a **24-day** run, with **3 experiments at $\beta^*=0.5$ m**, assuming (pessimistically) an **operational efficiency of 50%** and **average luminosity of $3E27$ cm⁻² s⁻¹**, the total luminosity is

$$L_{\text{int,annual}} = (50\%)(3.0 \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1})(24 \text{ day}) \approx \mathbf{3.1 \text{ nb}^{-1}}$$

(c.f. target of 2.85 nb⁻¹)

→ **12 nb⁻¹** in the 4 Pb-Pb runs
foreseen after LS2

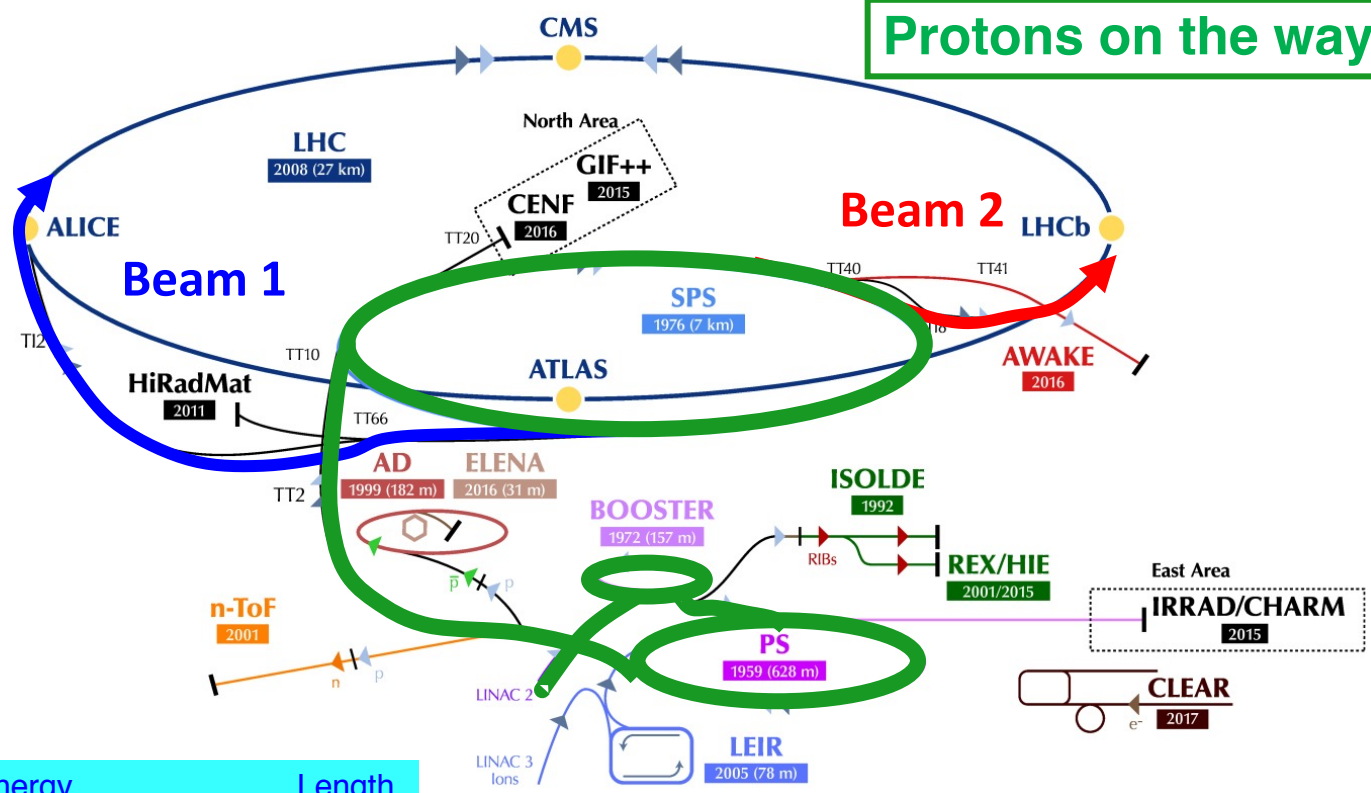
- Assuming
 - a turnaround time of 2.5 h (optimistic!)
 - operational efficiency of 50%,
 - and optimal fill length of 6.1 h,
- **The total luminosity** in 1 month of p-Pb running is estimated to
 - **714 nb⁻¹ for ATLAS/CMS**
 - **346 nb⁻¹ for ALICE**



Getting protons into the LHC

The CERN accelerator complex
Complexe des accélérateurs du CERN

Protons on the way to LHC

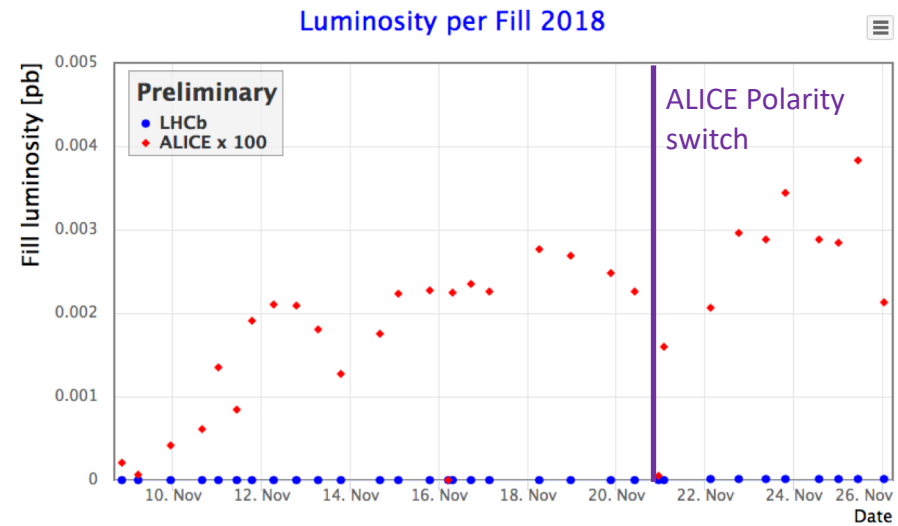
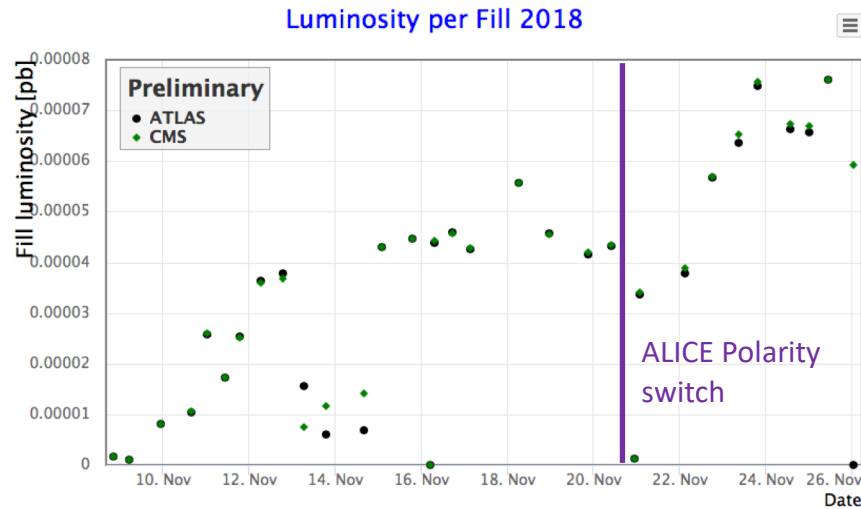


	Year	Top energy [GeV]	Length [m]
Linac	1979	0.05	30
PSB	1972	1.4	157
PS	1959	26.0	628
SPS	1976	450.0	6911
LHC	2008	7000.0	26 657

p (protons) ions RIBs (Radioactive Ion Beams) n (neutrons) \bar{p} (antiprotons) e⁻ (electrons)

LHC - Large Hadron Collider // SPS - Super Proton Synchrotron // PS - Proton Synchrotron // AD - Antiproton Decelerator // CLEAR - CERN Linear Electron Accelerator for Research // AWAKE - Advanced WAKEfield Experiment // ISOLDE - Isotope Separator OnLine // REX/HIE - Radioactive Experiment/High Intensity and Energy SOLDE // LEIR - Low Energy Ion Ring // LINAC - LINear ACcelerator // n-ToF - Neutrons Time Of Flight // HiRadMat - High-Radiation to Materials // CHARM - Cern High energy AcceleRator Mixed field facility // IRRAD - proton IRRADIation facility // GIF++ - Gamma Irradiation Facility // CENF - CErn Neutrino platform

Steady increase of luminosity/fill

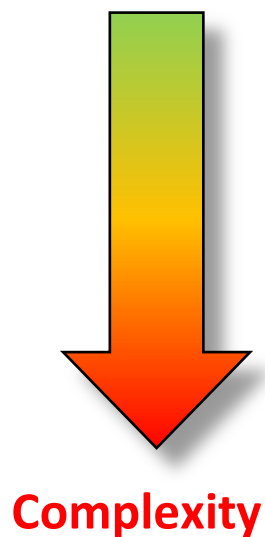


Increasing → **No. of bunches & bunch intensities**
 → Levelling **targets** (ATLAS/CMS/LHCb)
 → Levelling **time** (after solving ALICE beam size problem)

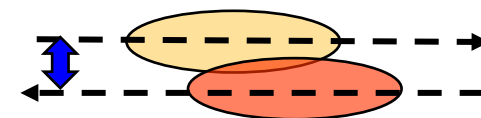
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Under certain conditions and depending on the experiments request, it is desirable to adapt the luminosity dynamically with beams in collision – **luminosity levelling**

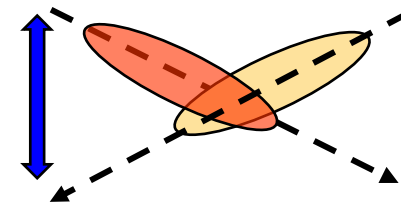
$$L = \frac{kN^2 f \gamma}{4\pi \beta^* \epsilon} F$$



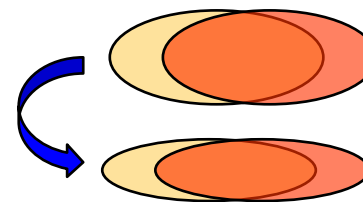
Levelling by **beam offset**



Levelling by **crossing angle**



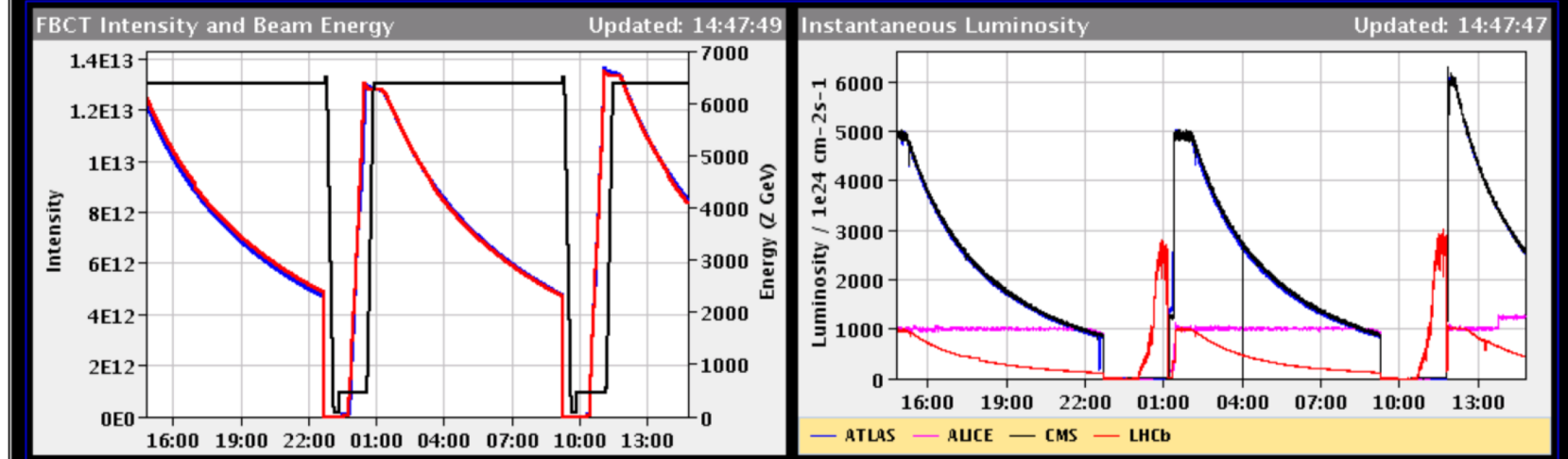
Levelling by β^* (= beam size at IP)



ION PHYSICS: STABLE BEAMS

Energy: 6369 Z GeV I(B1): 8.56e+12 I(B2): 8.52e+12

Inst. Lumi [(b.s)^-1] IP1: 2533.55 IP2: 1240.81 IP5: 2586.42 IP8: 440.27



Comments (25-Nov-2018 09:41:52)

Re-fill for physics with 733Pb.

BIS status and SMP flags	B1	B2
Link Status of Beam Permits	true	true
Global Beam Permit	true	true
Setup Beam	false	false
Beam Presence	true	true
Moveable Devices Allowed In	true	true
Stable Beams	true	true

AFS: 75_150ns_733Pb_733_702_468_42bpi_20inj PM Status B1: **ENABLED** PM Status B2: **ENABLED**

Intra-Beam Scattering Growth Rates

A. Piwinski's formalism

$$\alpha_{\text{IBS},s} = \left\langle A_p \frac{\sigma_h^2}{\sigma_p^2} f(a, b, q) \right\rangle$$

$$\alpha_{\text{IBS},x} = \left\langle A_p \left[f\left(\frac{1}{a}, \frac{b}{a}, \frac{q}{a}\right) + \frac{D_x^2 \sigma_h^2}{\sigma_x^2} f(a, b, q) \right] \right\rangle$$

$$\alpha_{\text{IBS},y} = \left\langle A_p \left[f\left(\frac{1}{b}, \frac{a}{b}, \frac{q}{b}\right) + \frac{D_y^2 \sigma_h^2}{\sigma_y^2} f(a, b, q) \right] \right\rangle$$

Complicated Integral, to be evaluated numerically at each element of lattice

$$f(a, b, q) = 8\pi \int_0^1 \left\{ 2 \ln \left[\frac{q}{2} \left(\frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{Q} \right) \right] - 0.577 \dots \right\} \frac{1 - 3u^2}{PQ} du$$

$$A_p = \frac{2r_0^2 c N_b}{64\pi^2 \beta_{\text{rel}}^3 \gamma^4 \epsilon_x \epsilon_y \sigma_s \sigma_p}$$

Dynamic change with beam parameters

Dependency on lattice and beam parameters

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_h^2} = \frac{1}{\sigma_p^2} + \frac{D_x^2}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{D_y^2}{\sigma_y^2}$$

$$a = \frac{\sigma_h \beta_x}{\gamma \sigma_x}, \quad b = \frac{\sigma_h \beta_y}{\gamma \sigma_y}, \quad q = \sigma_h \beta_{\text{rel}} \sqrt{\frac{2d}{r_0}}$$

$$P^2 = a^2 + (1 - a^2)u^2$$

$$Q^2 = b^2 + (1 - b^2)u^2.$$

The average energy loss into synchrotron radiation in a circular accelerator leads to damping of the transverse and longitudinal **emittances** like

$$A_i = A_{0,i} e^{-\alpha_{\text{rad},i} t}, \text{ where } i = x, y, s,$$

Emittance radiation damping rates

$$\alpha_{\text{rad},s} = 2E_b^3 \frac{C_\alpha}{C_{\text{ring}}} \mathcal{I}_2 \left(2 + \frac{\mathcal{I}_{4,x} + \mathcal{I}_{4,y}}{\mathcal{I}_2} \right)$$

$$\alpha_{\text{rad},x} = 2E_b^3 \frac{C_\alpha}{C_{\text{ring}}} \mathcal{I}_2 \left(1 - \frac{\mathcal{I}_{4,x}}{\mathcal{I}_2} \right)$$

$$\alpha_{\text{rad},y} = 2E_b^3 \frac{C_\alpha}{C_{\text{ring}}} \mathcal{I}_2 \left(1 - \frac{\mathcal{I}_{4,y}}{\mathcal{I}_2} \right)$$

For an isomagnetic ring with separate function magnets and $D_y=0$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_2 &\approx \frac{2\pi}{\rho_0} \\ \mathcal{I}_{4,x} &\approx 2\pi \frac{D_x}{\rho_0^2} \ll \mathcal{I}_2 \\ \mathcal{I}_{4,y} &\approx 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha_{\text{rad},s} \approx 2E_b^3 C_\alpha \frac{4\pi}{\rho_0 C_{\text{ring}}}$$

$$\alpha_{\text{rad},x} \approx 2E_b^3 C_\alpha \frac{2\pi}{\rho_0 C_{\text{ring}}}$$

$$\alpha_{\text{rad},y} \approx 2E_b^3 C_\alpha \frac{2\pi}{\rho_0 C_{\text{ring}}}.$$

$$C_\alpha = r_0 c / (3(m_{\text{ion}} c^2)^3)$$

Note: 1.) Independent of beam parameters.
2.) Depend on Energy³, machine size and particle type.

3.) In this approximation, longitudinal damping is twice as fast as transverse: $\alpha_{\text{rad},s} = 2\alpha_{\text{rad},x} = 2\alpha_{\text{rad},y}$.
4.) Rad. damping for Pb 2x faster than for protons: $\alpha_{\text{rad},xy} = 12h$
5.) Fast enough to overcome IBS at full energy and intensity

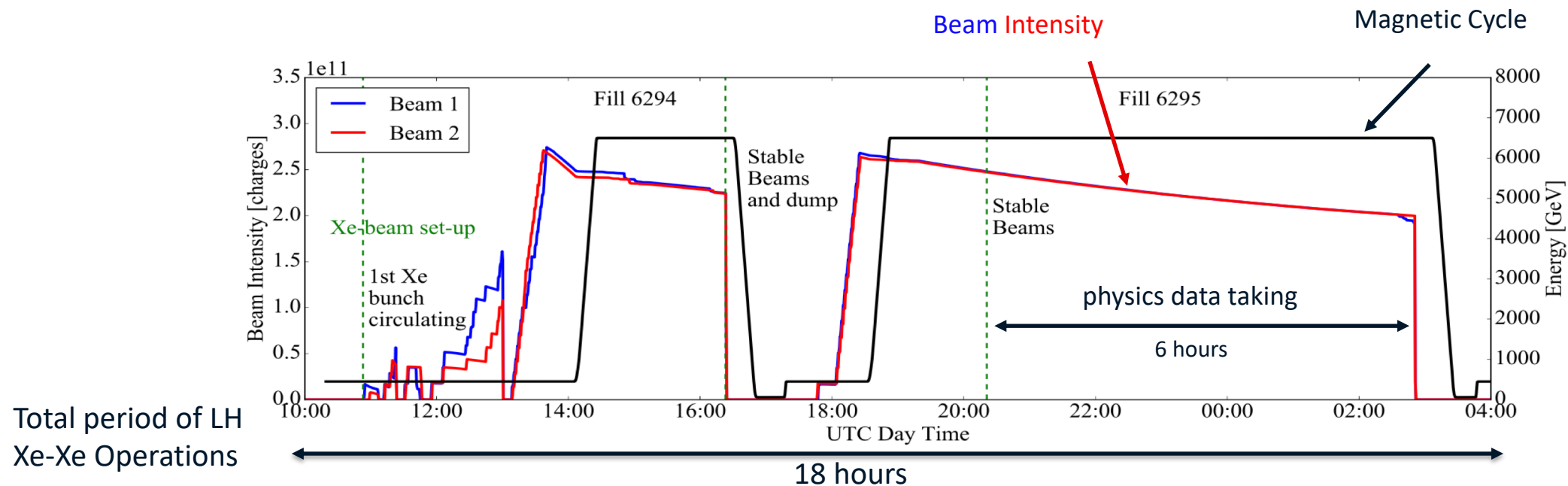
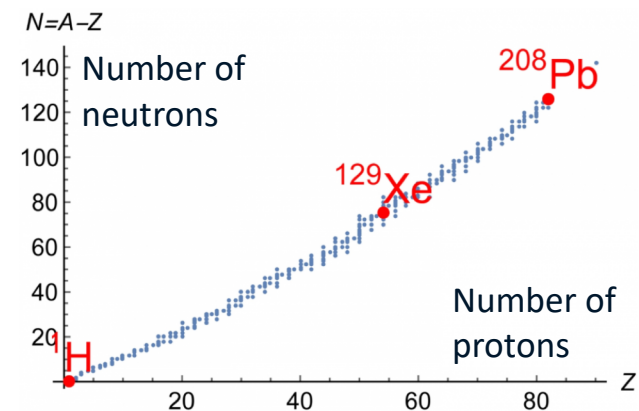
Data used to estimate future running.

Lighter ions have potential for **significantly higher nucleon-nucleon luminosity**:

- Expect higher bunch charge in the injector chain
- Lower cross sections for ultraperipheral collisions

→ $\sigma_{\text{BFPP}} \sim Z^7$, $\sigma_{\text{EMD}} \sim Z^4$

→ Slower burn-off and longer fills, more ions left for usable luminosity



Beam Evolution

A particle bunch is characterised by its **number of particles, $N_b(t)$** , and the **emittances, $\epsilon_{n,i}(t)$** , in the three planes ($i = x, y, s$).

The bunch's evolution with time is defined by a system of 4 coupled differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{\epsilon_x} \frac{d\epsilon_x}{dt} &= \alpha_{\text{IBS},x}(N_b, \epsilon_x, \epsilon_y, \epsilon_s) - \alpha_{\text{rad},x} + \alpha_{\text{coll},x}(N_b, \epsilon_x, \epsilon_y, \epsilon_s) + \dots \\
 \frac{1}{\epsilon_y} \frac{d\epsilon_y}{dt} &= \alpha_{\text{IBS},y}(N_b, \epsilon_x, \epsilon_y, \epsilon_s) - \alpha_{\text{rad},y} + \alpha_{\text{coll},y}(N_b, \epsilon_x, \epsilon_y, \epsilon_s) + \dots \\
 \frac{1}{\epsilon_s} \frac{d\epsilon_s}{dt} &= \alpha_{\text{IBS},s}(N_b, \epsilon_x, \epsilon_y, \epsilon_s) - \alpha_{\text{rad},s} + \dots \\
 \frac{1}{N_b} \frac{dN_b}{dt} &= -\frac{\sigma_{c,\text{tot}}\mathcal{L}}{N_b} - 1/\tau_{\text{IBS},N}(N_b, \epsilon_x, \epsilon_y, \epsilon_s) - 1/\tau_{\text{clean}} - \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Intra-beam scattering (IBS) Radiation Damping Scattering during the collision
Many other, less important, effects.
Luminosity burn-off (incl. secondary beams) Losses from IBS Collimation

α are growth rates or inverse lifetimes, describing how fast the corresponding process changes a quantity.

The bunch's evolution is usually obtained by (numerically) solving those differential equations, or by tracking simulations.