

The First Years of LHC Operation

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For the LHC team and
All our international collaborators
and contributors

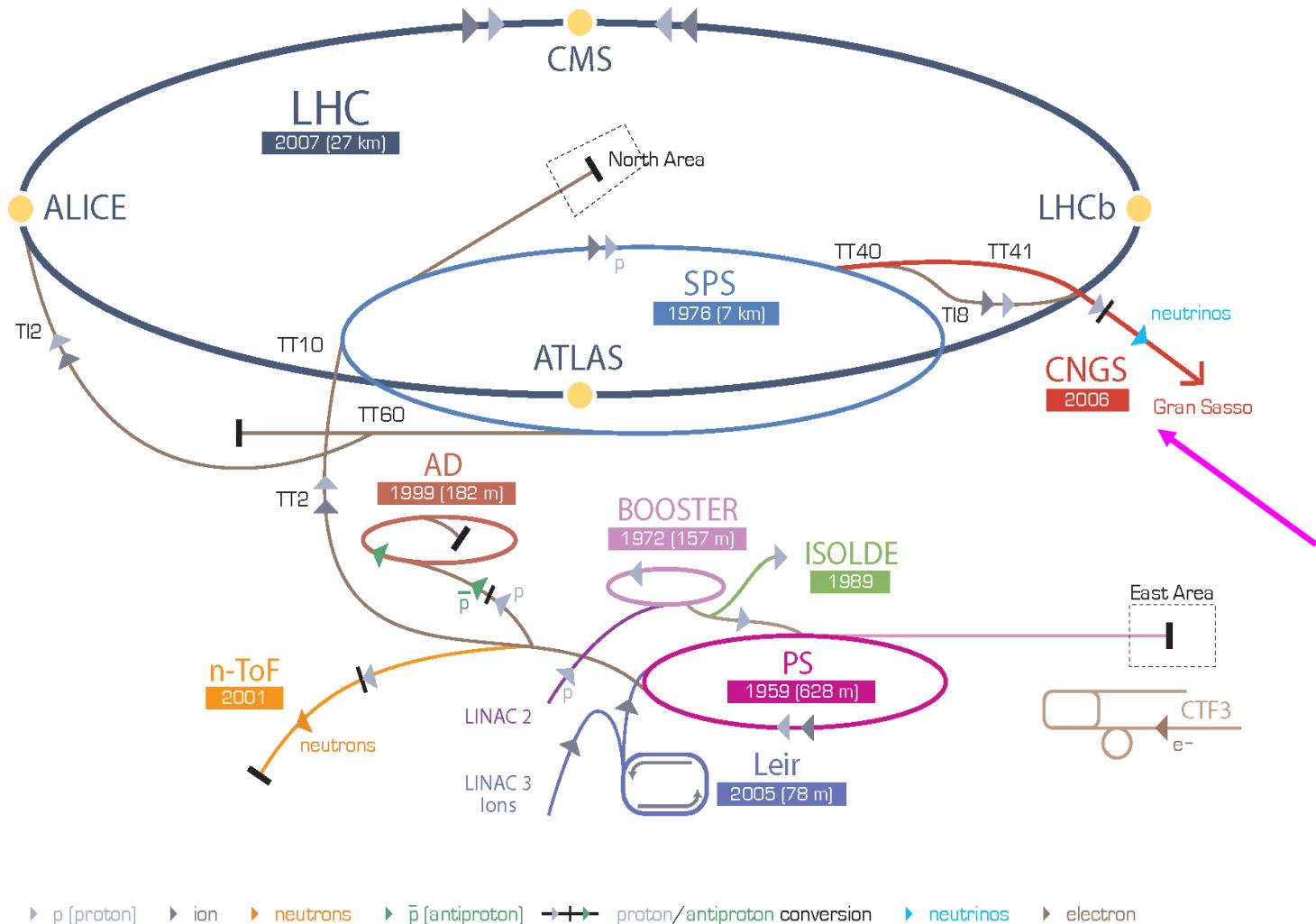
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 - LHeC
 - LEP3

Introduction

Lack of time

CERN Accelerator Complex



LHC Large Hadron Collider SPS Super Proton Synchrotron PS Proton Synchrotron

AD Antiproton Decelerator CTF3 Clic Test Facility CNGS Cern Neutrinos to Gran Sasso ISOLDE Isotope Separator OnLine DDevice

LEIR Low Energy Ion Ring LINAC LINear ACcelerator n-ToF Neutrons Time Of Flight

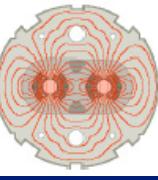


The LHC

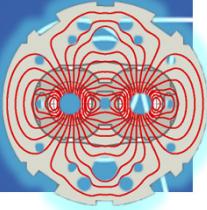
**Superconducting Proton Accelerator and Collider
installed in a 27km circumference underground tunnel (tunnel cross-
section diameter 4m) at CERN
Tunnel was built for LEP collider in 1985**



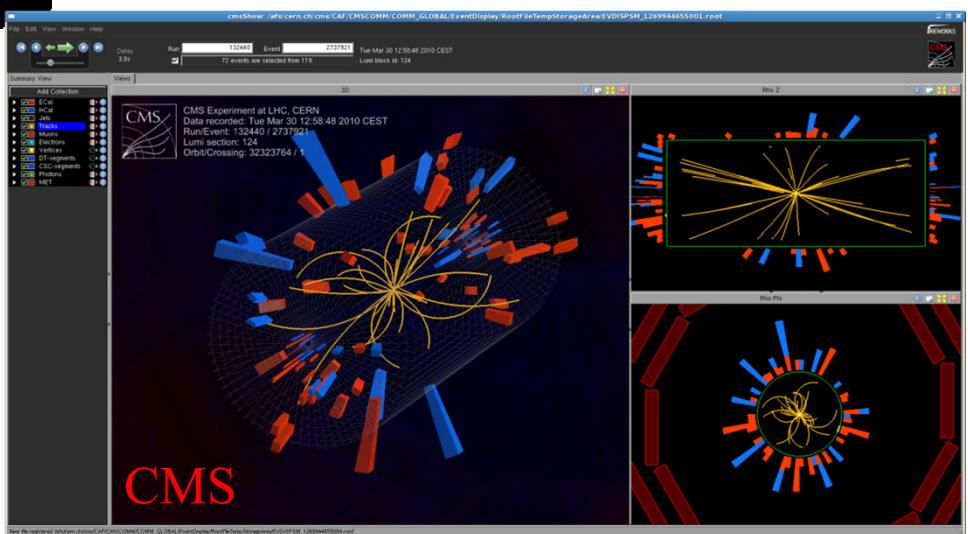
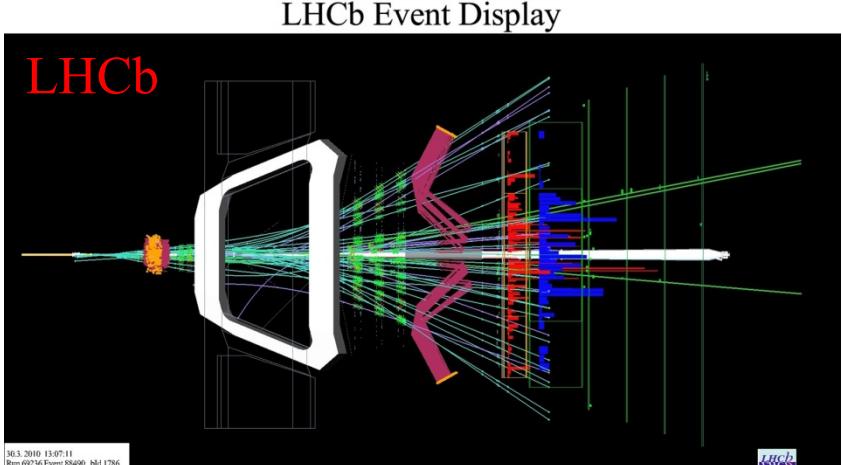
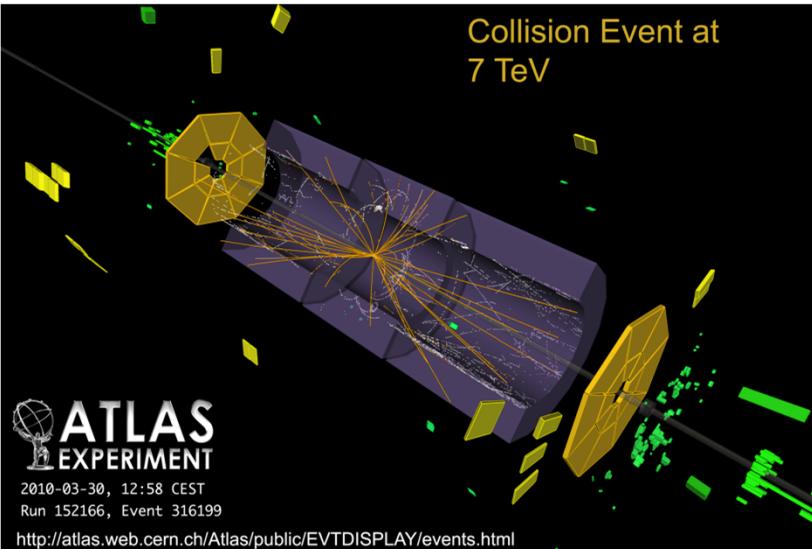
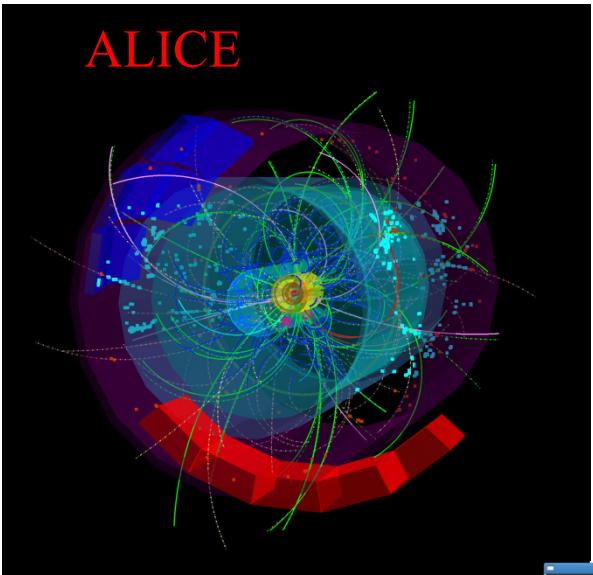
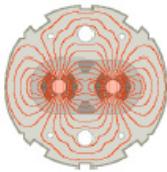
LHC: Some of the Technical Challenges



Circumference (km)	26.7	100-150m underground
Number of Dipoles	1232	Cable Nb-Ti, cold mass 37million kg
Length of Dipole (m)	14.3	
Dipole Field Strength (Tesla)	8.4	Results from the high beam energy needed
Operating Temperature (K)	1.9	Superconducting magnets needed for the high magnetic field Super-fluid helium
Current in dipole sc coils (A)	13000	Results from the high magnetic field 1ppm resolution
Beam Intensity (A)	0.5	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-6}$ loss causes quench
Beam Stored Energy (MJoules)	362	Results from high beam energy and high beam current 1MJ melts 2kg Cu
Magnet Stored Energy (MJoules)/octant	1100	Results from the high magnetic field
Sector Powering Circuit	8	1612 different electrical circuits



LHC: First collisions at 7 TeV on 30 March 2010



Peak Luminosity for First Run $10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Maximizing the Luminosity

Luminosity (round beams):

$$L = \frac{n_b \cdot N_{bunch1} \cdot N_{bunch2} \cdot f_{rev}}{4\pi \cdot \beta^* \cdot \epsilon_n} \cdot R(\phi, \beta^*, \epsilon_n, \sigma_s)$$

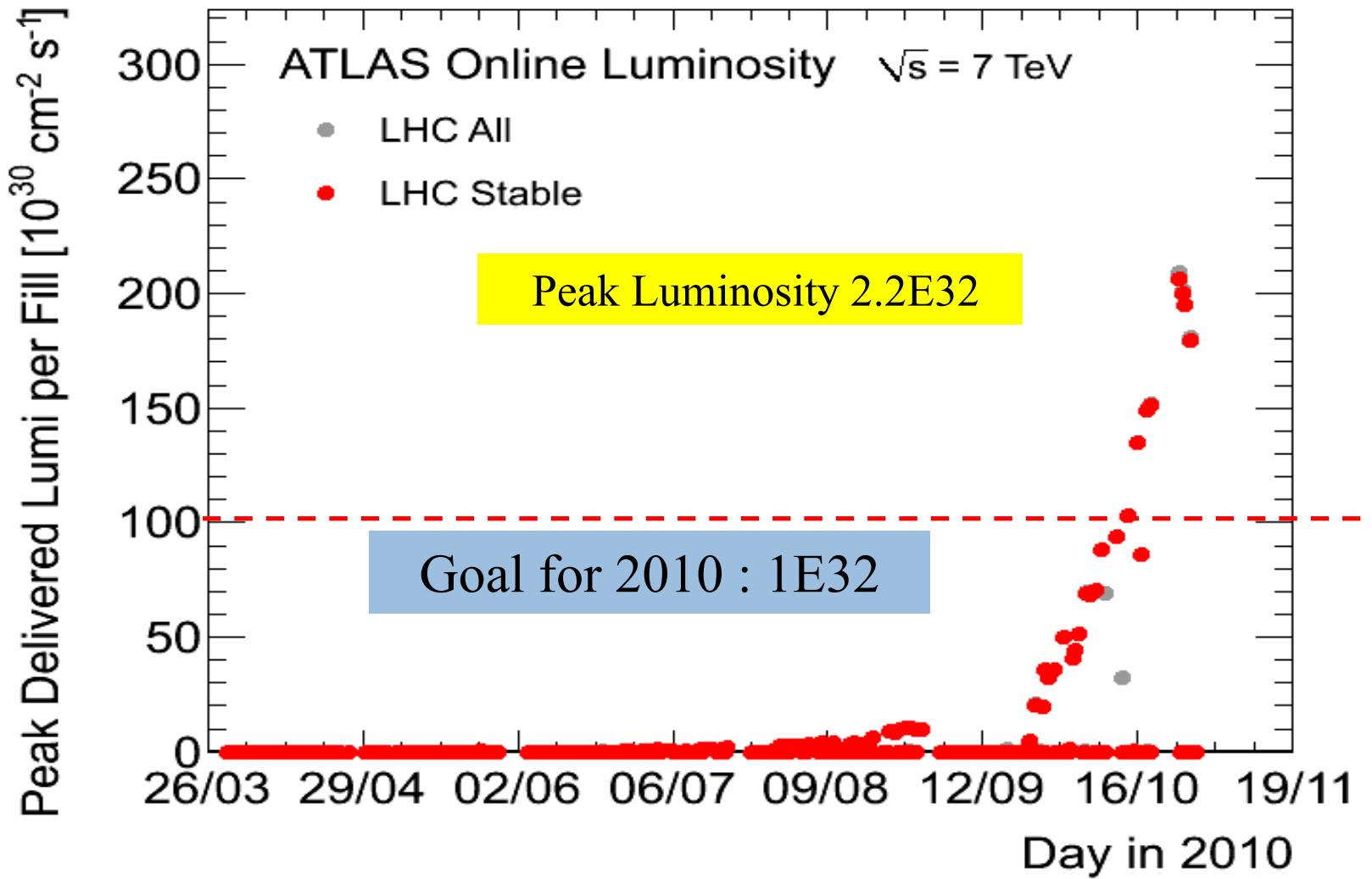
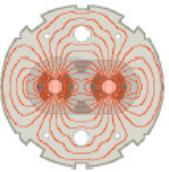
- 1) maximize bunch brightness [N_{bunch}/ϵ_n]
beam-beam limit and injector complex performance
- 2) minimize beam size [β^*] (constant beam power)
- 3) maximize number of bunches (beam power limit)
- 4) compensate for ‘R’

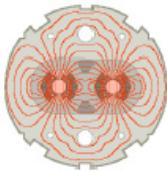
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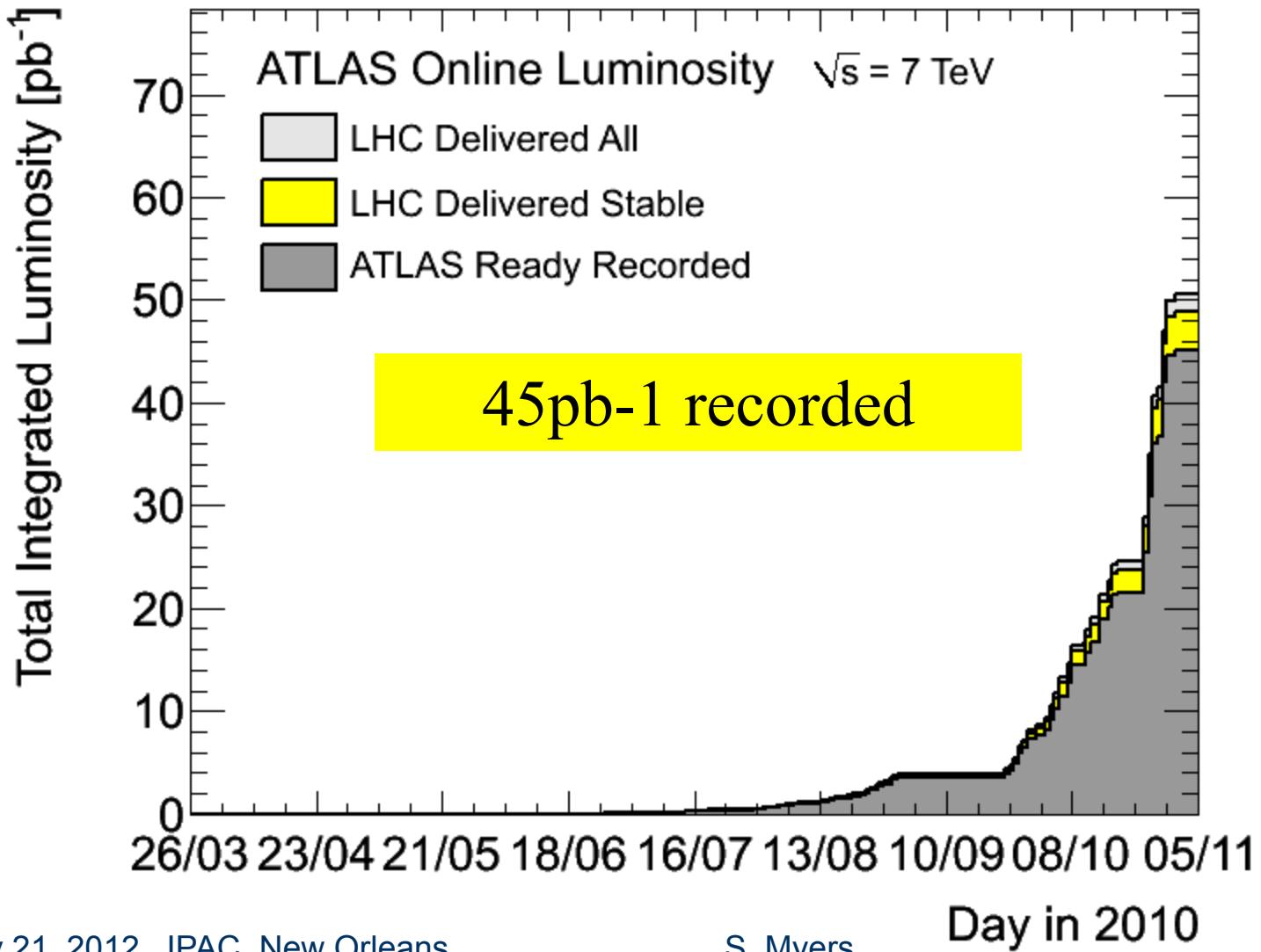


Peak Luminosity 2010



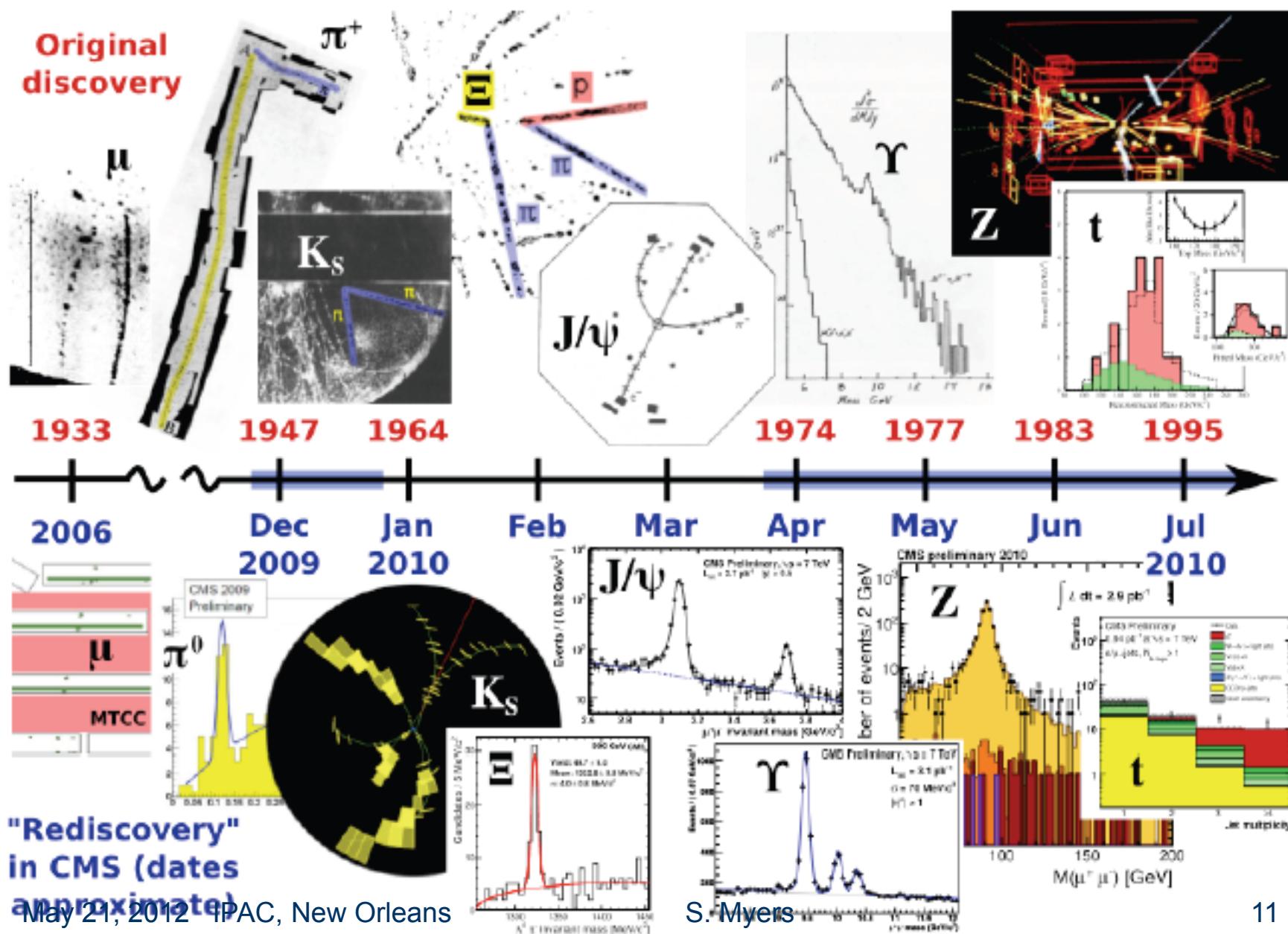


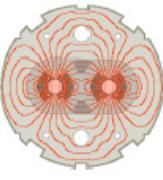
Integrated Luminosity in 2010



Brief History of the Standard Model

Original
discovery



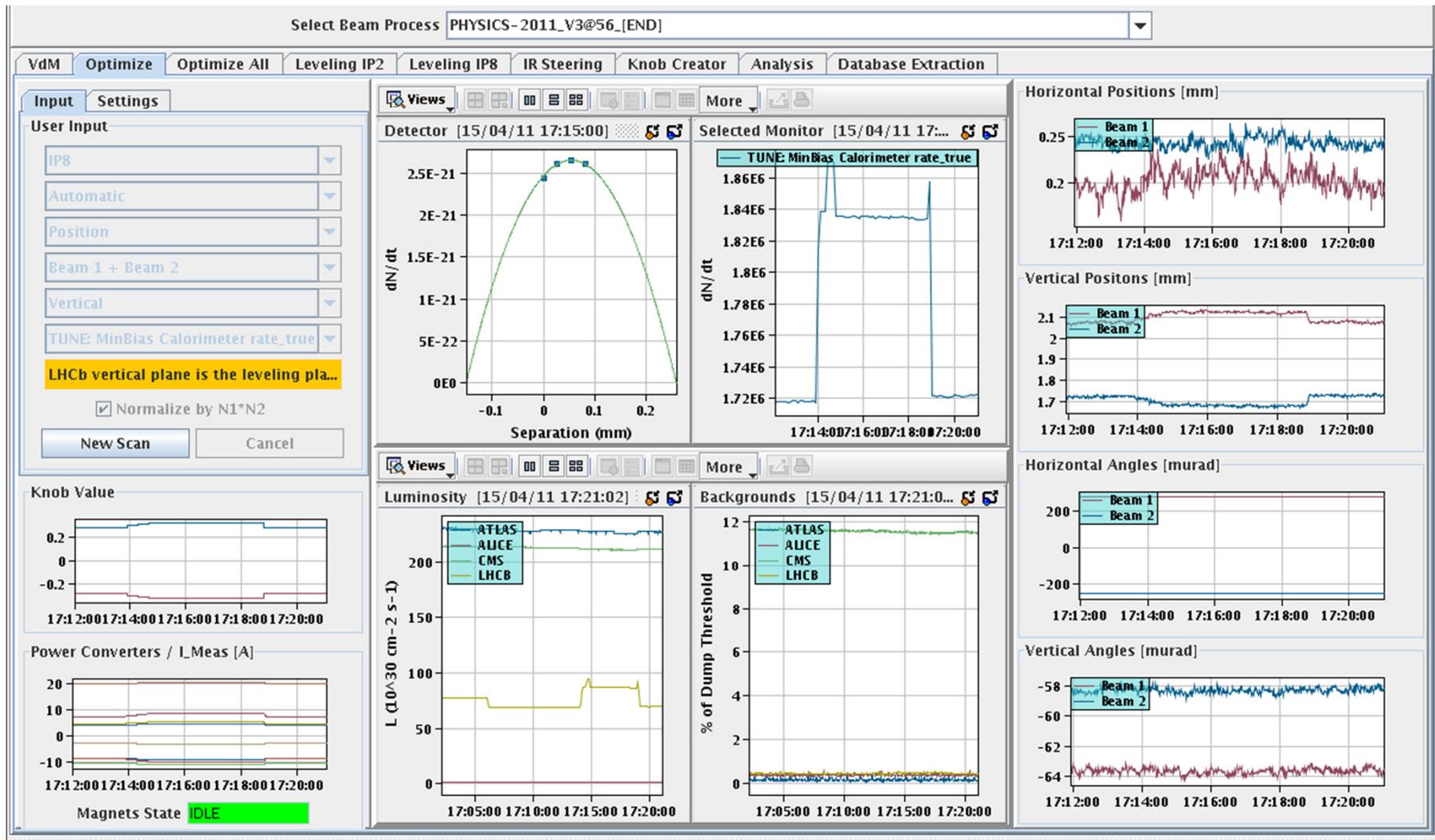


2011 Operation

(Goal for the year was 1000pb-1
i.e 22 times more than 2010)

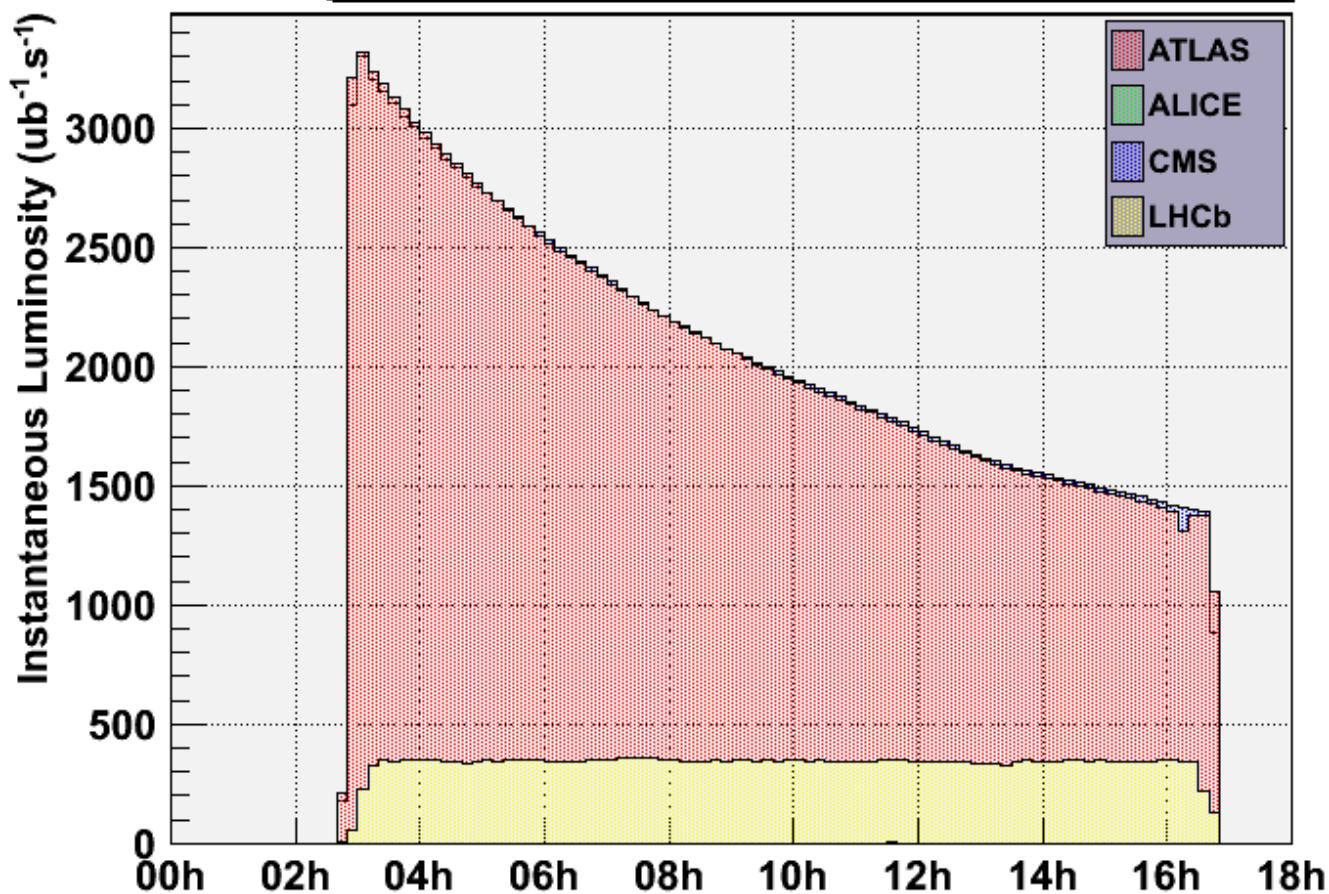
*** THPPP018, J. Wenninger: for the LHC operations group

“Lumi leveling” first tested 15th April 2011



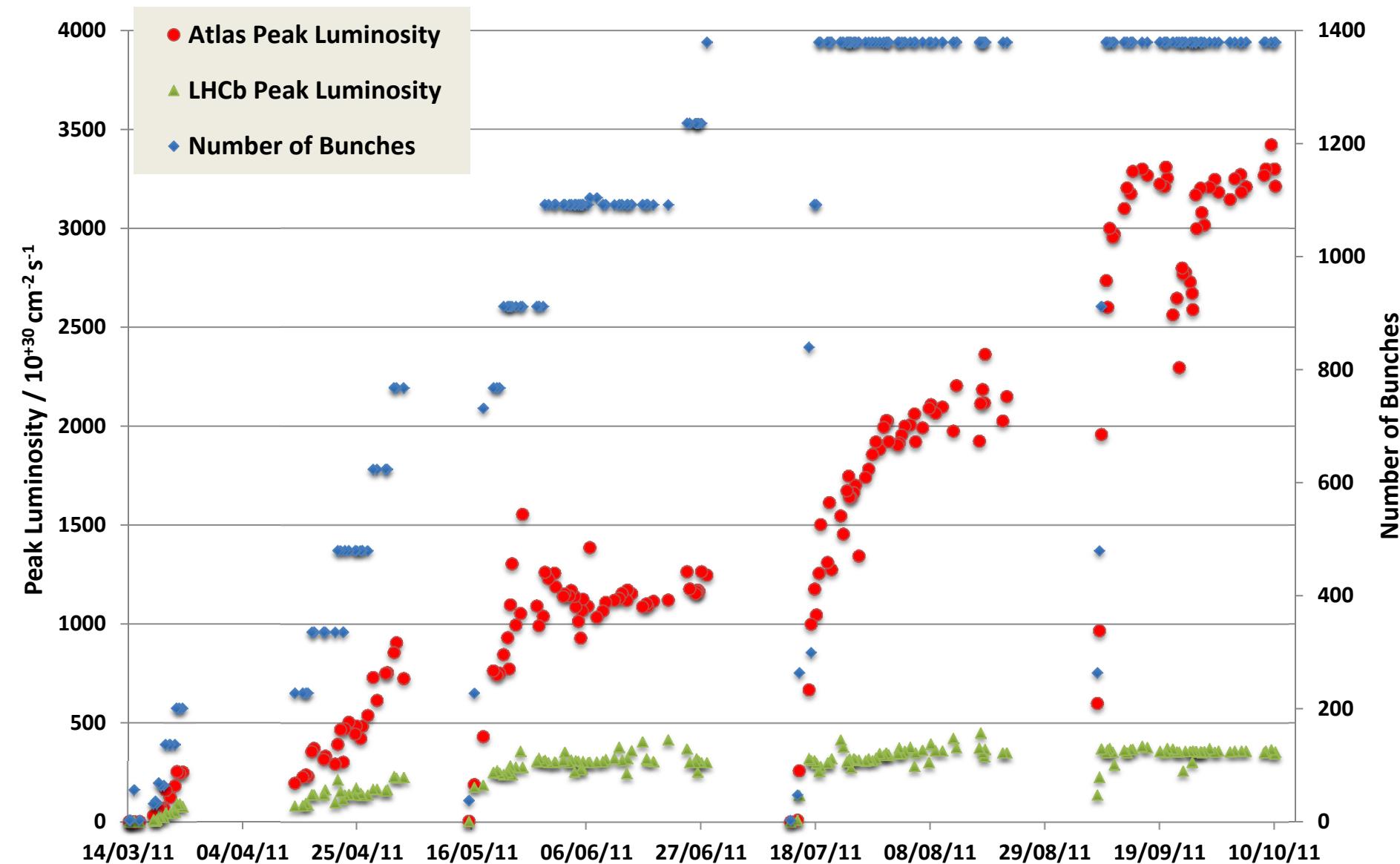
Luminosity Leveling via beam Separation

Introduced luminosity leveling for LHCb → can run at optimal μ and L_{\max}

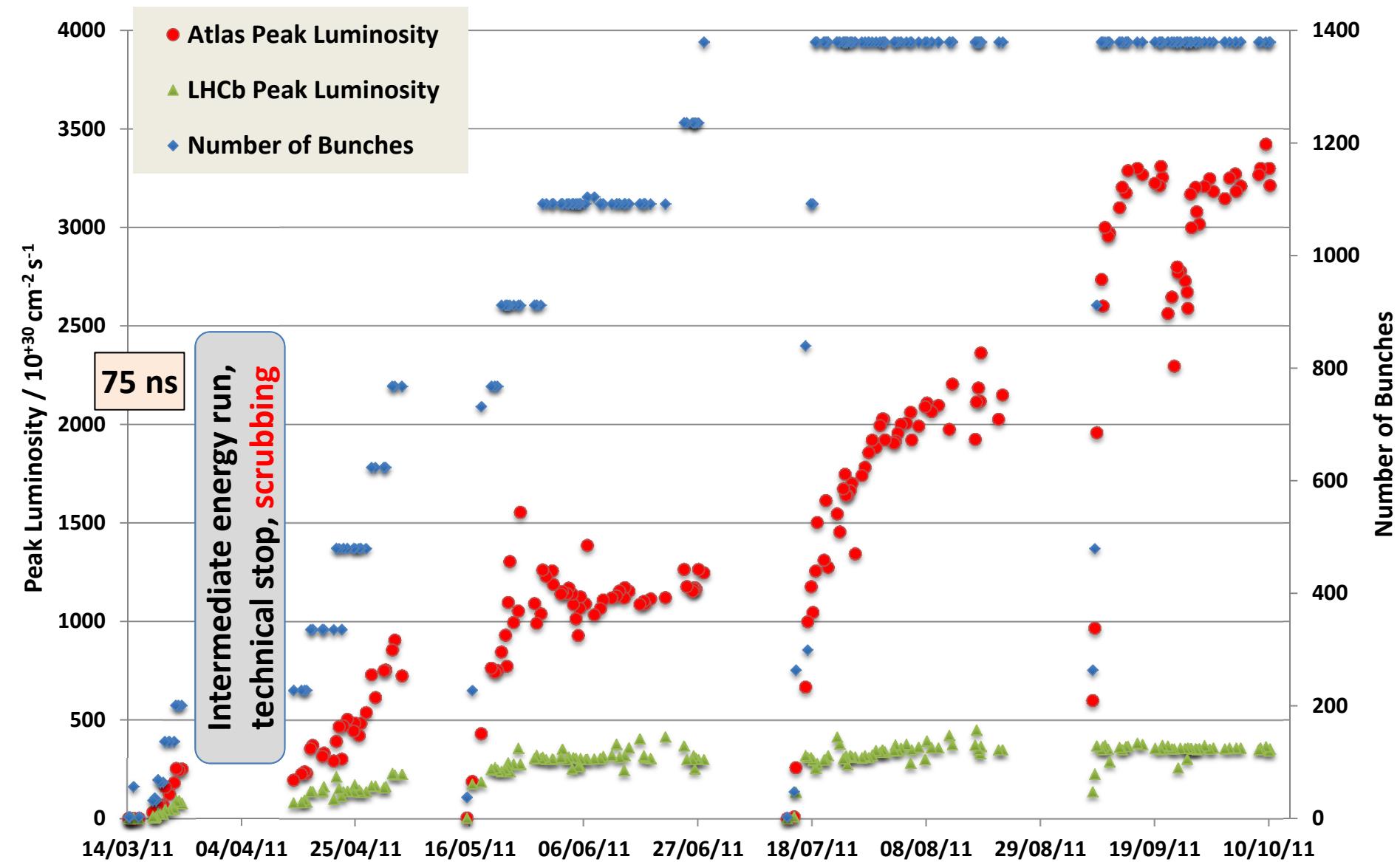


- Since end of May running at constant $L \sim 3-3.5 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ with $\mu \sim 1.5$
- LHCb want maximum time in physics and not an increase in peak performance

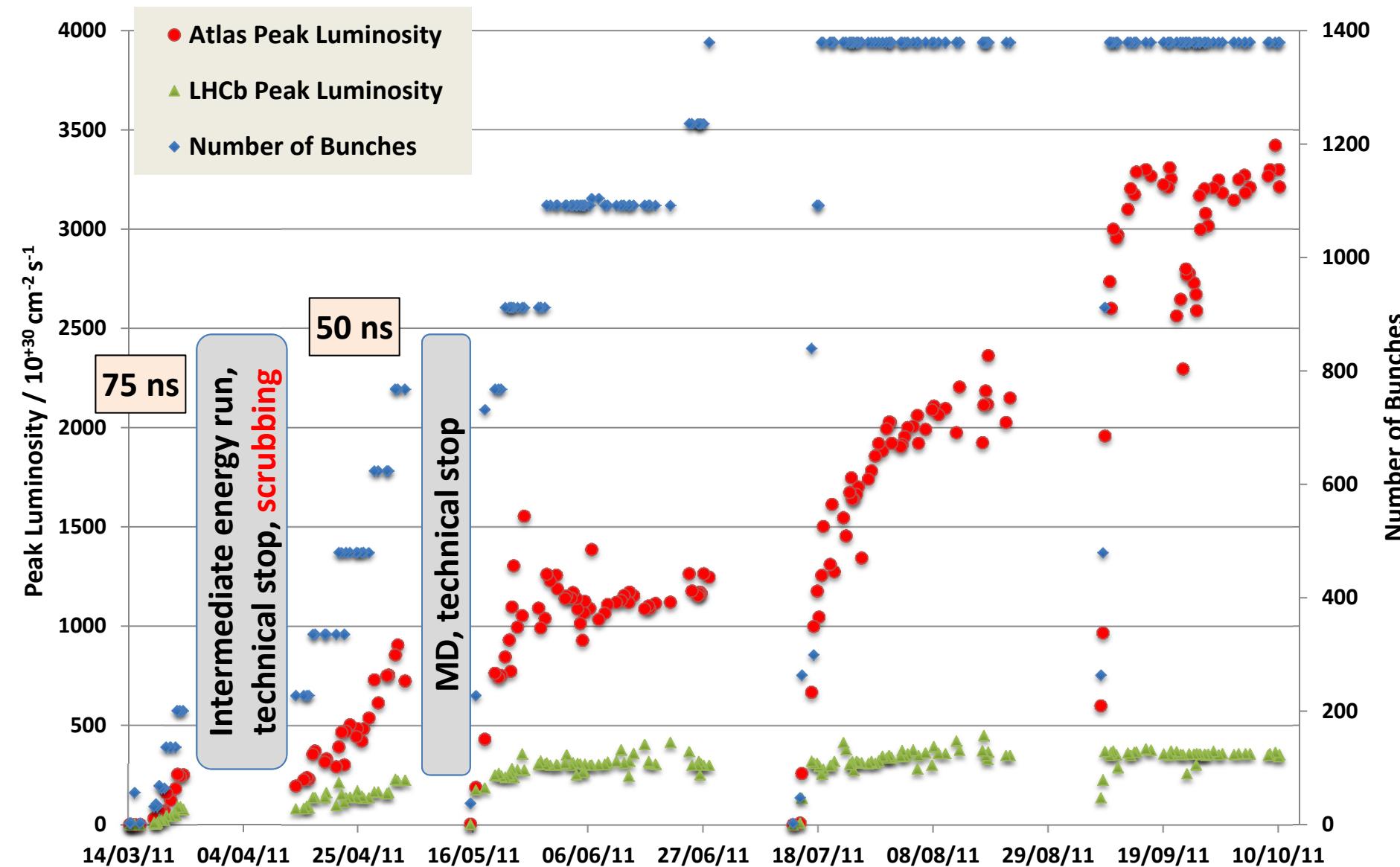
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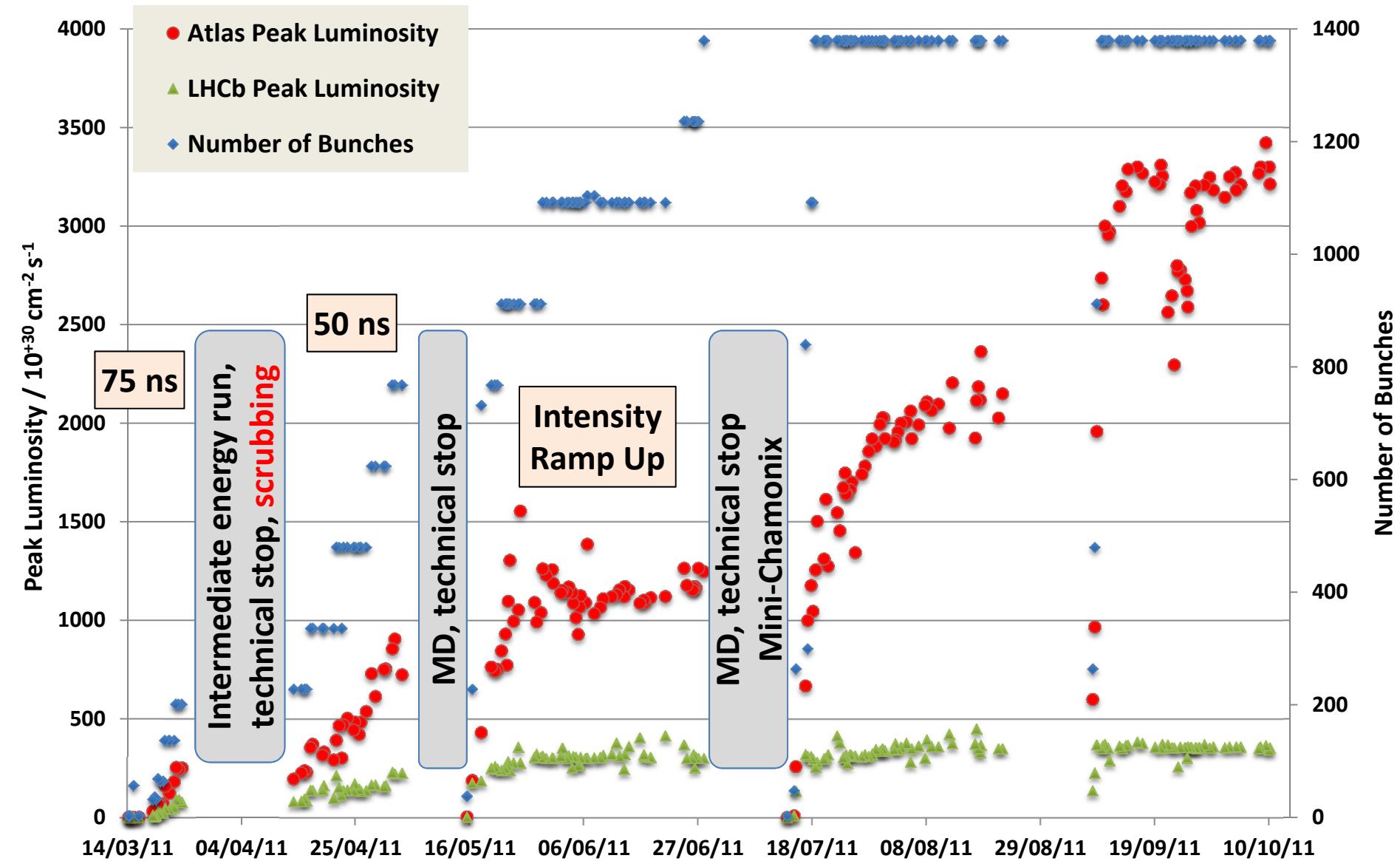
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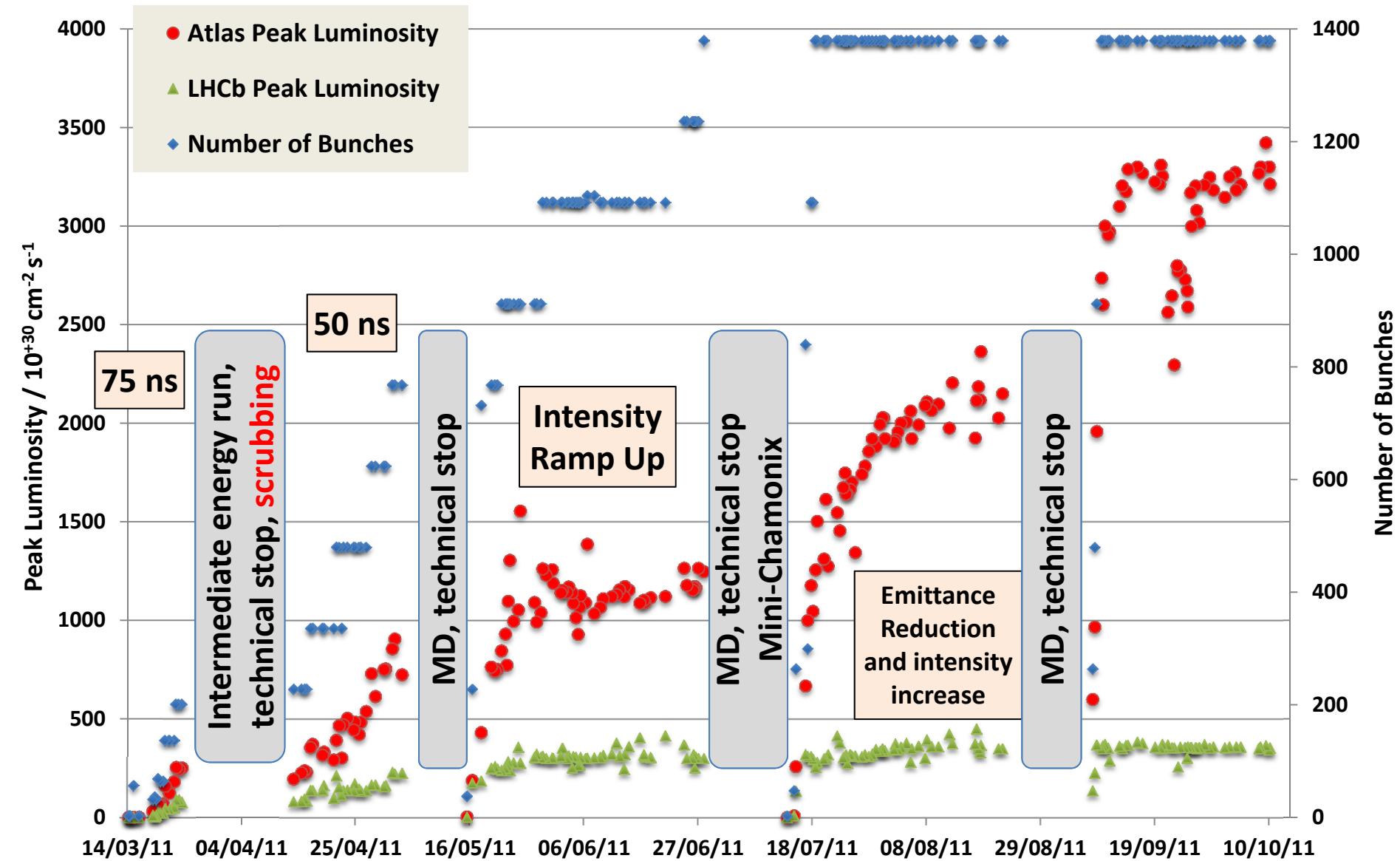
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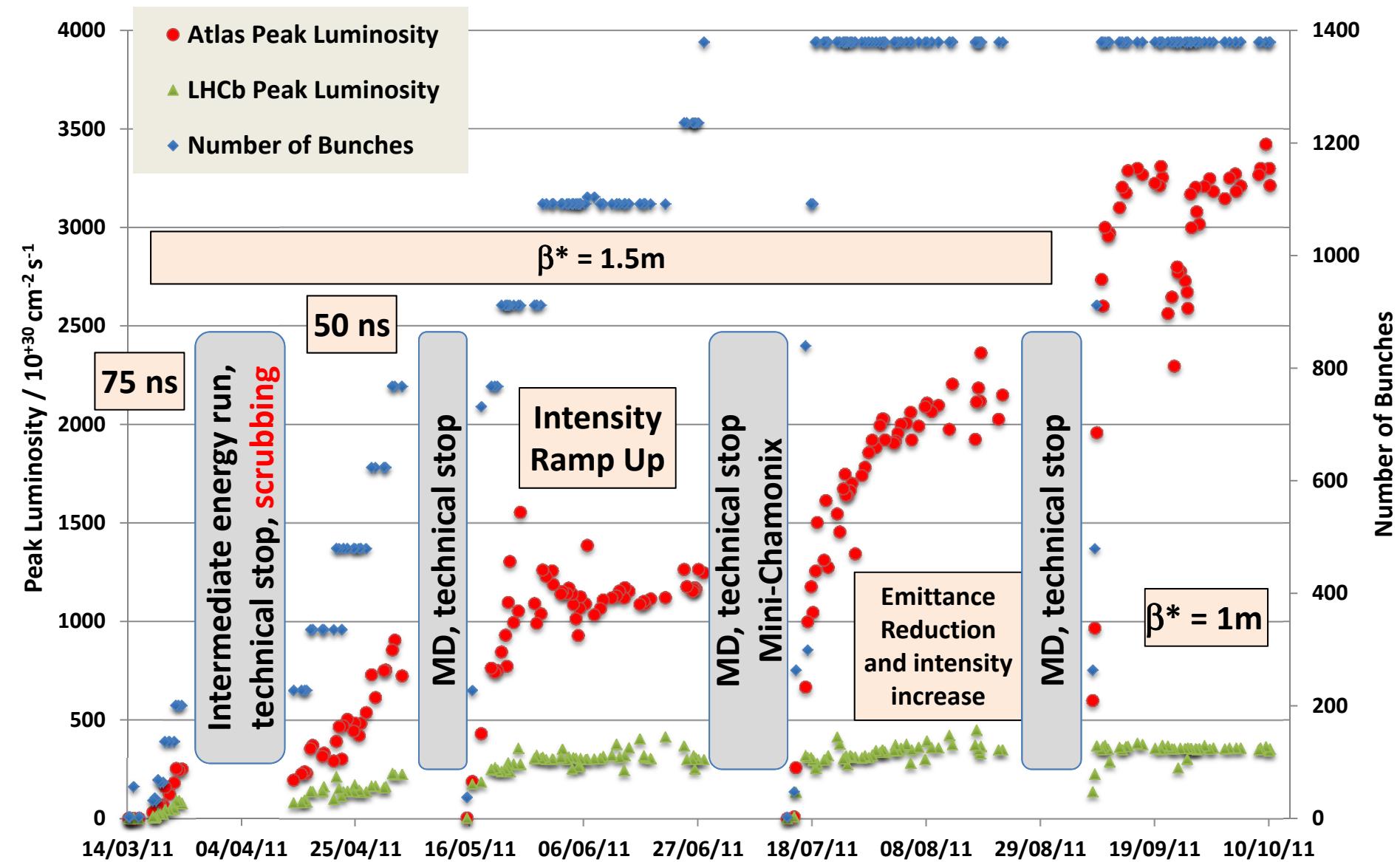
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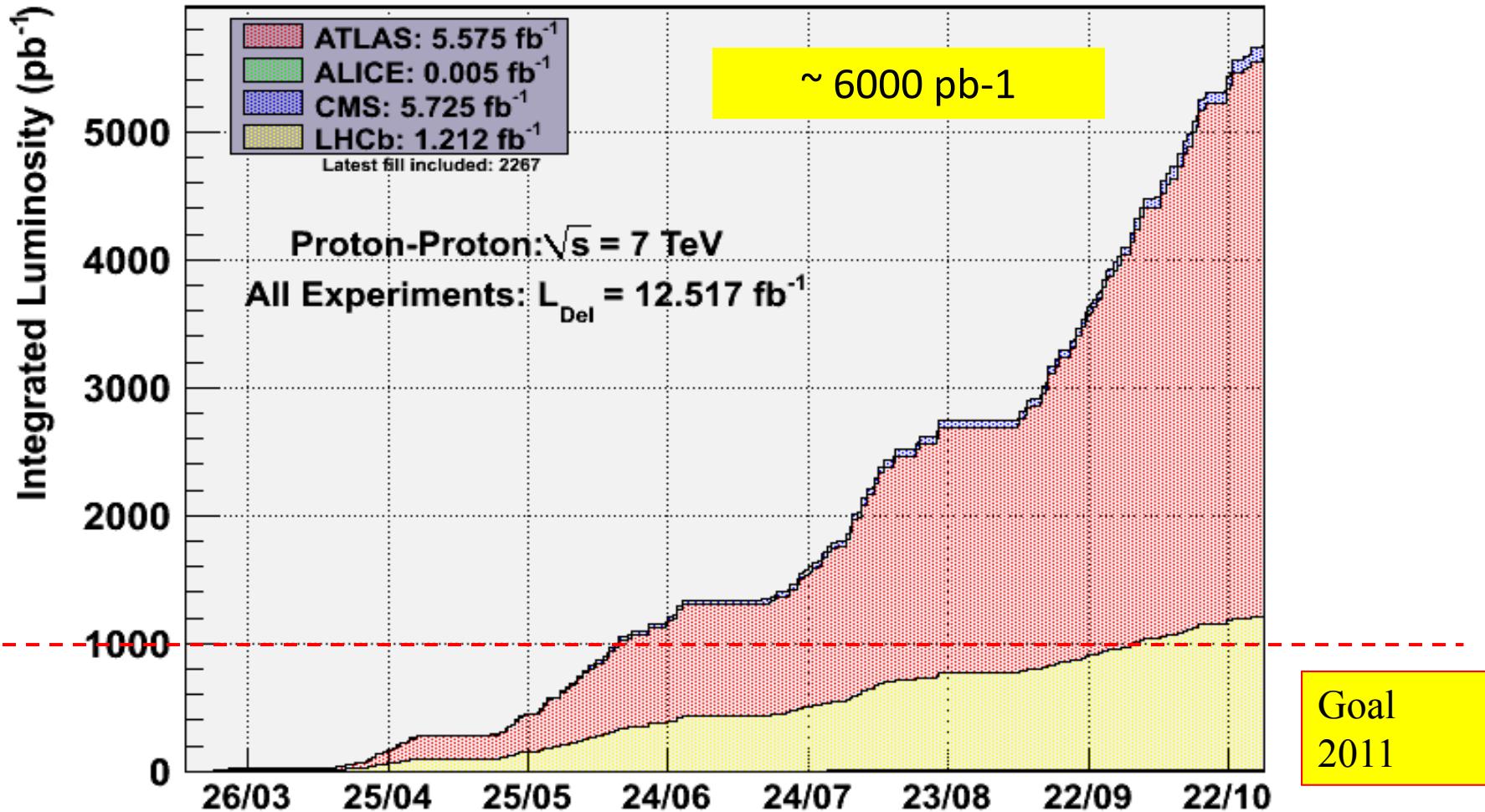


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Protons

2011 Luminosity Production



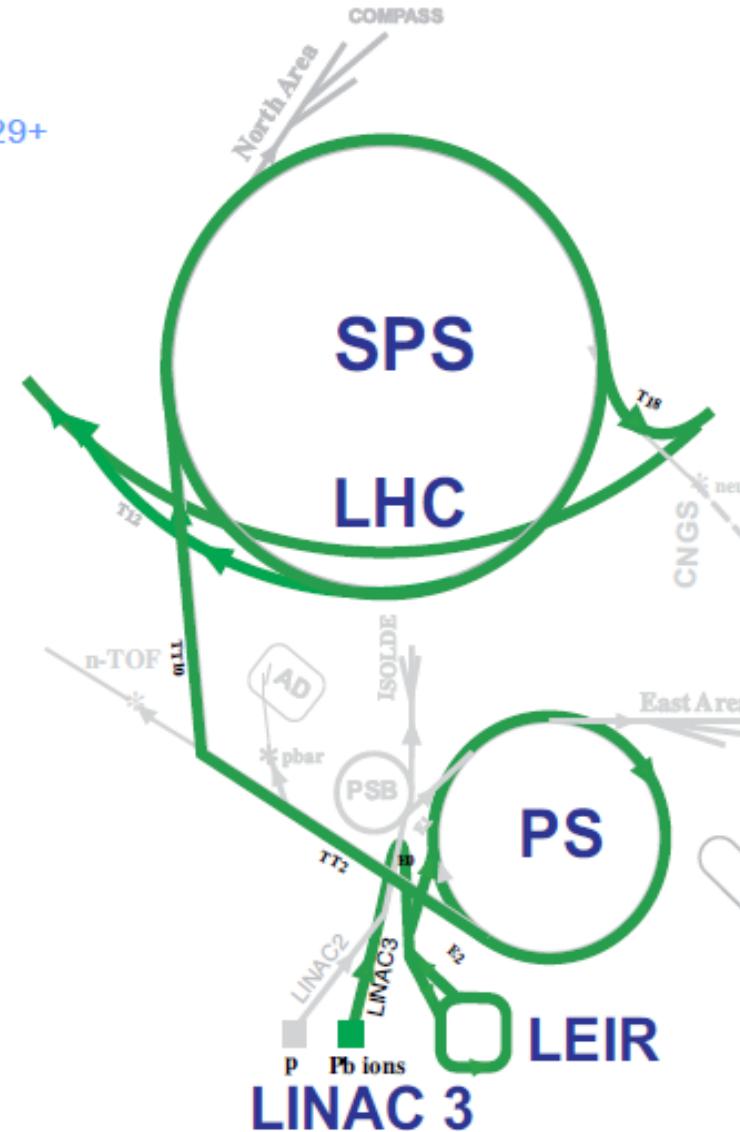
Heavy Ion Operation

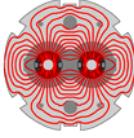
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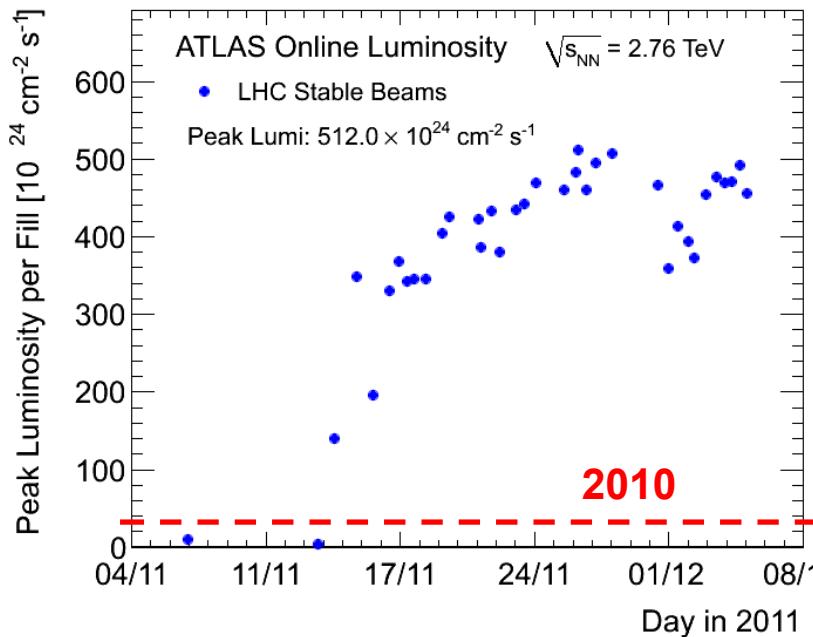
Lead ion injector chain

- 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

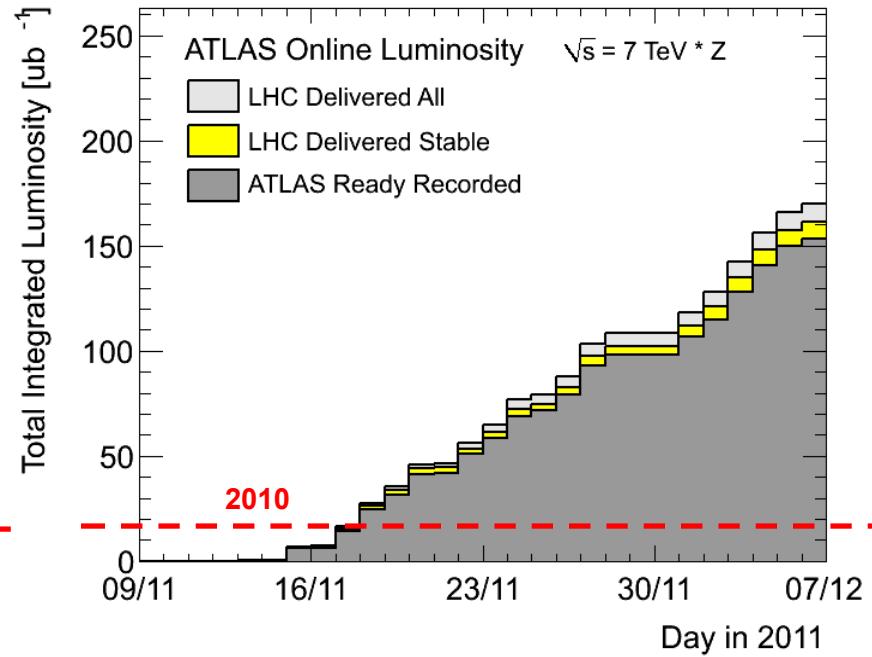




Peak and Integrated luminosity



356 bunches



In 2010:

Peak $\sim 18\text{E}24$; Integrated $\sim 18\text{nb}^{-1}$
Max 137 bunches, larger β^* , smaller
bunch intensities

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Reminder of 2012 Priorities

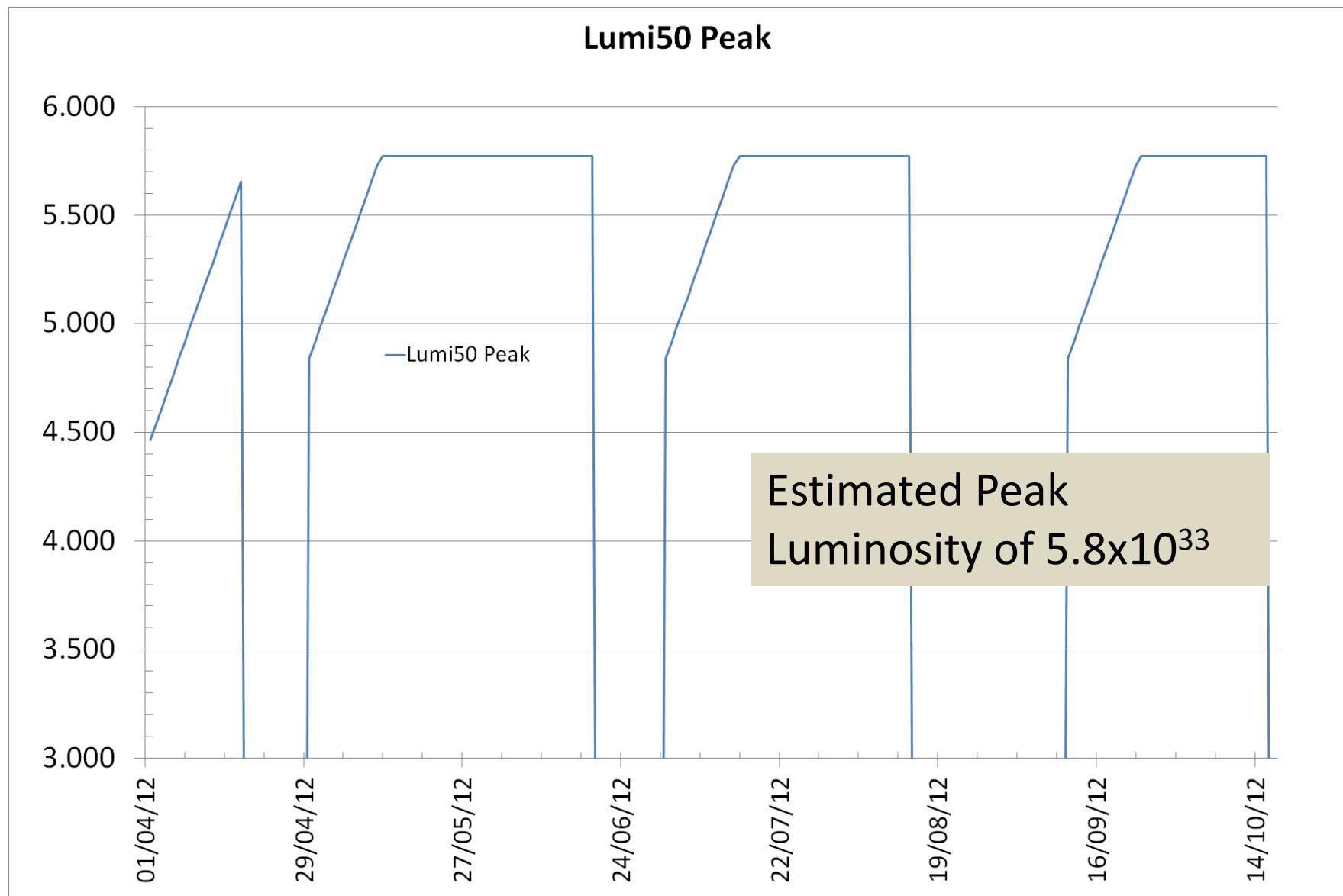
1. The LHC machine **must** produce enough integrated luminosity to allow ATLAS and CMS to **independently** discover the Higgs before the start of LS1.
2. We must also prepare for the **proton-lead ion** run at the end of the year.
3. We must (in 2012) do the necessary machine experiments to allow high energy, **useful** high luminosity running after LS1.

Pile up and 25ns

Integrated luminosity needed for Discovery of Higgs

Year	fb-1	signal (in σ)	Beam Energy	
2011	5	2.5	3.5	
2012	15	5	3.5	Needed
2012	11.5	5	4.0	Needed
2012	13.3	5	4.0	addditional 15% for pile up and margin

Estimated Peak Luminosity with 50ns (2012)



Reminder 2012 run configuration

- Energy – 4 TeV
- Bunch spacing - 50 ns
- Collimator settings – tight
- Atlas and CMS beta* - 60 cm
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- Energy – 4 Real Challenge
 - 2 high luminosity experiments(ATLAS, CMS)
 - 1 mid-luminosity (LHCb) x20 lower
- Bunch spacing
 - 1 low-luminosity (ALICE) x10,000
 - Also TOTEM and ALFA
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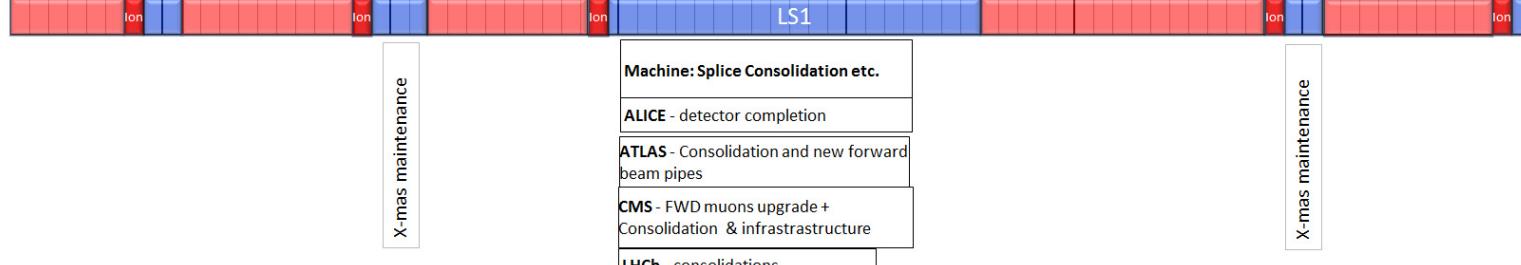
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Operations period 1 (OP1)

Long Shutdown 1 (LS1)

Operations period 2 (OP2)

LHC



Injectors



2016

2017

2018

2019

2020

2021

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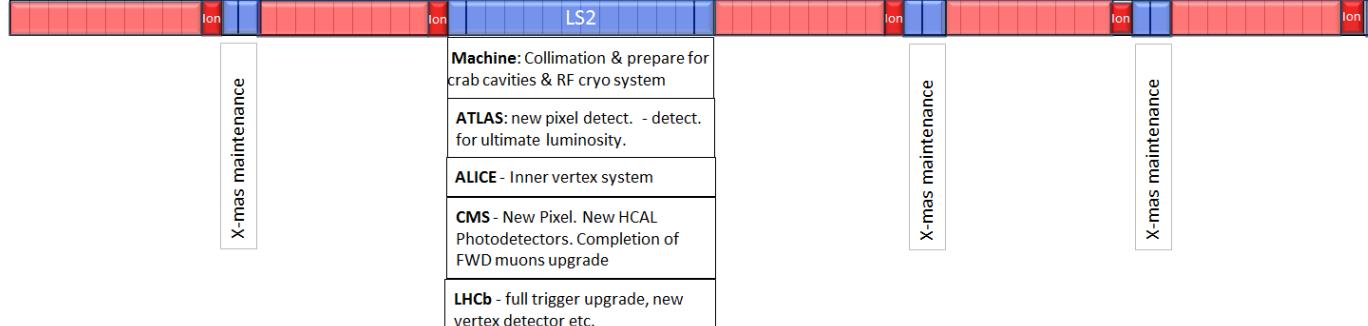
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Operations period 3 (OP3)

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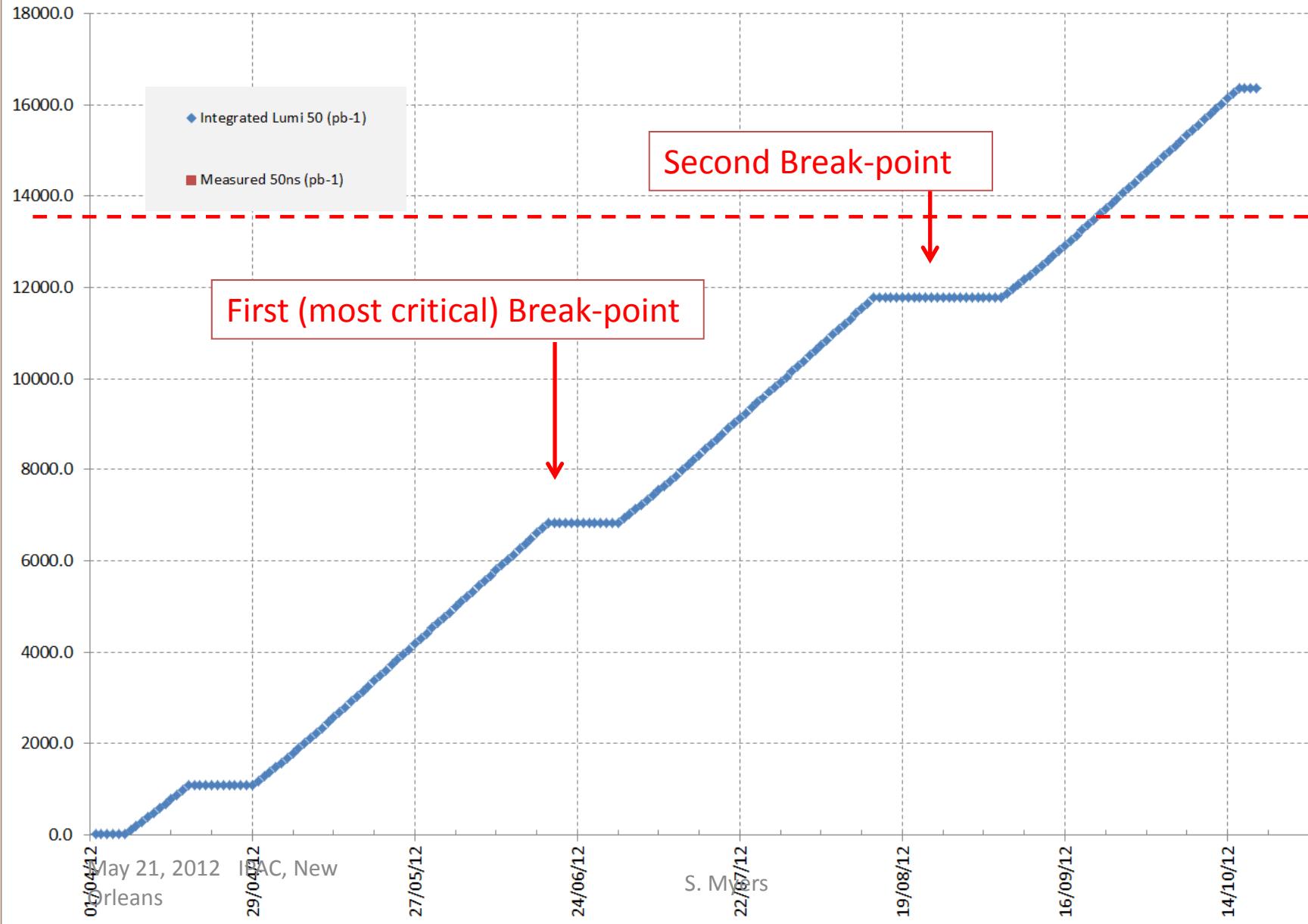


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2012 Measured vs Predicted Integrated Luminosity



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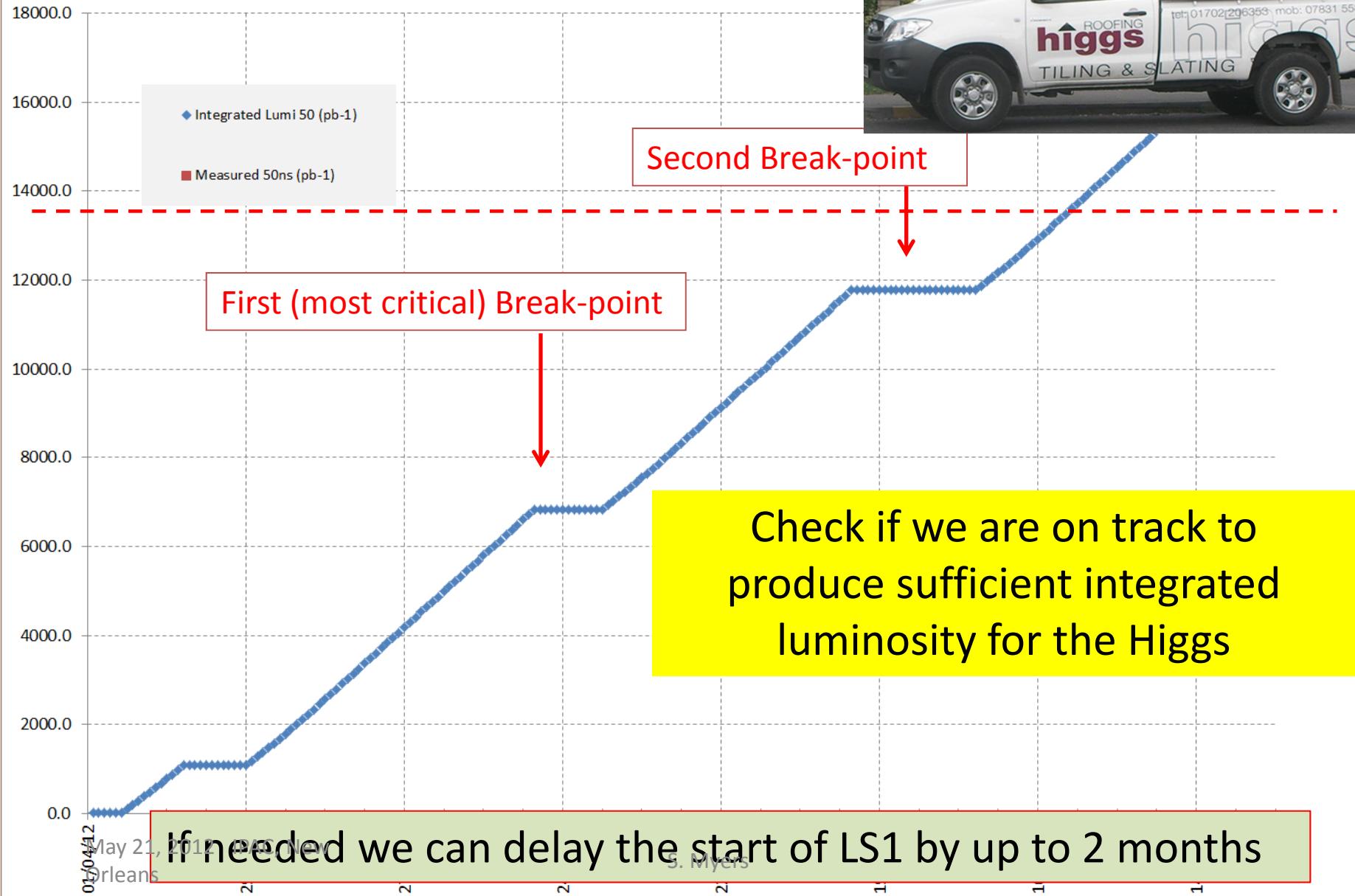
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Target p-Pb performance in 2012 (ATLAS/CMS)

Main choice:	Units	200 ns	200ns	100 ns	100
Beam energy/(Z TeV)	Z TeV	3.5	4	3.5	4
Colliding bunches		356	356	550	550
β^*	m	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6
Emittance protons	μm	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75
Emittance Pb	μm	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Pb/bunch	10^8	1.2	1.2	0.8	0.8
p/bunch	10^{10}	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15
Initial Luminosity L_0	$10^{28} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	6.2	8.3	6.4	8.5
Operating days		22	24	22	24
Difficulty (subjective)		0.9	1	0.9	1
Integrated luminosity	μb^{-1}	15.4	22.4	15.9	23.1

Integrate luminosity by scaling from 2011.

Average Pb bunch intensities from best 2011 experience.

Proton bunch intensities conservative, another factor 10 ????

Proton emittance conservative, another factor 1.37 ??

Untested moving encounter effects, possible reduction factor 0.1 ??

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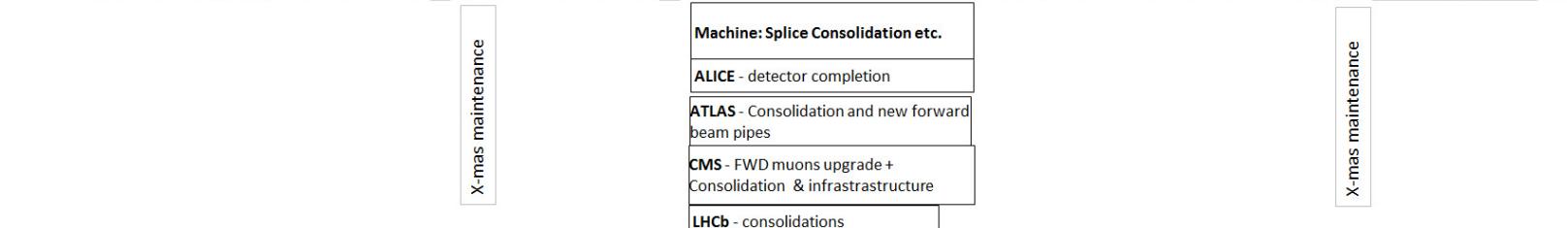
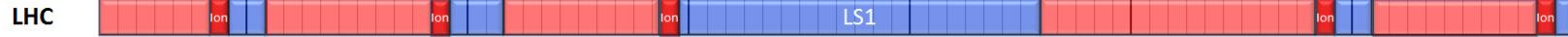
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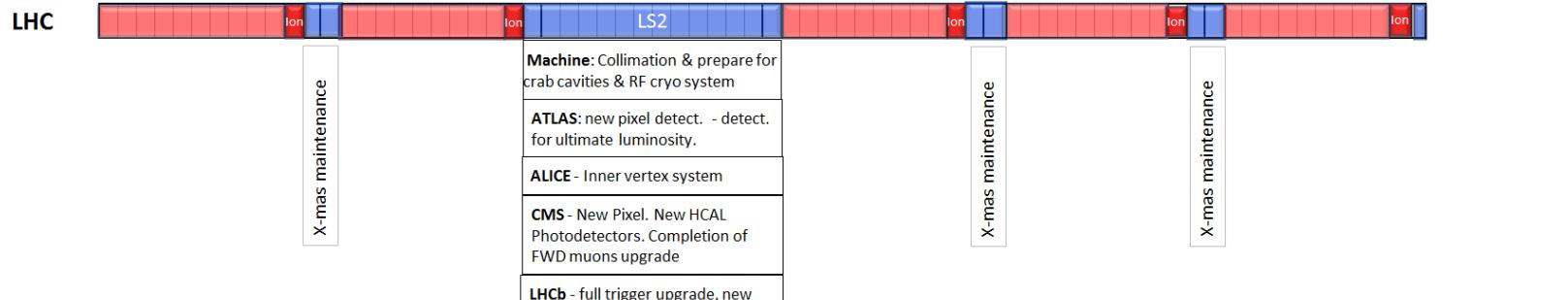
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Operations period 1 (OP1) Long Shutdown 1 (LS1) Operations period 2 (OP2)



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LS1 then operation around 7TeV/beam

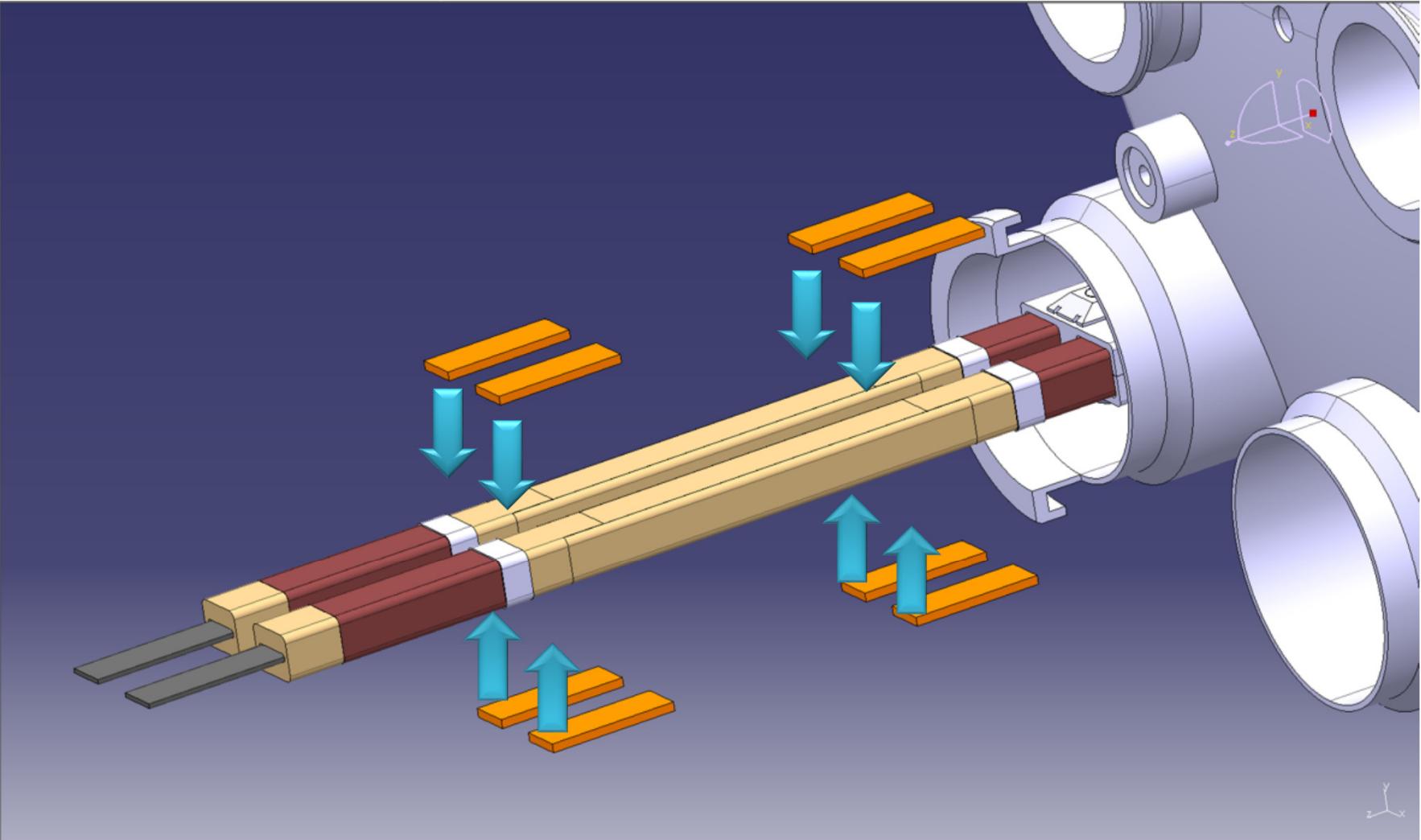
LS1 Work

- Repair defectuous interconnects

[THPPD026](#), Z Charifoulline:

- Consolidate all interconnects with new design [THPPD032](#) J-Ph. Tock
- Finish off pressure release valves (DN200)
- Bring all necessary equipment up to the level needed for 7TeV/beam

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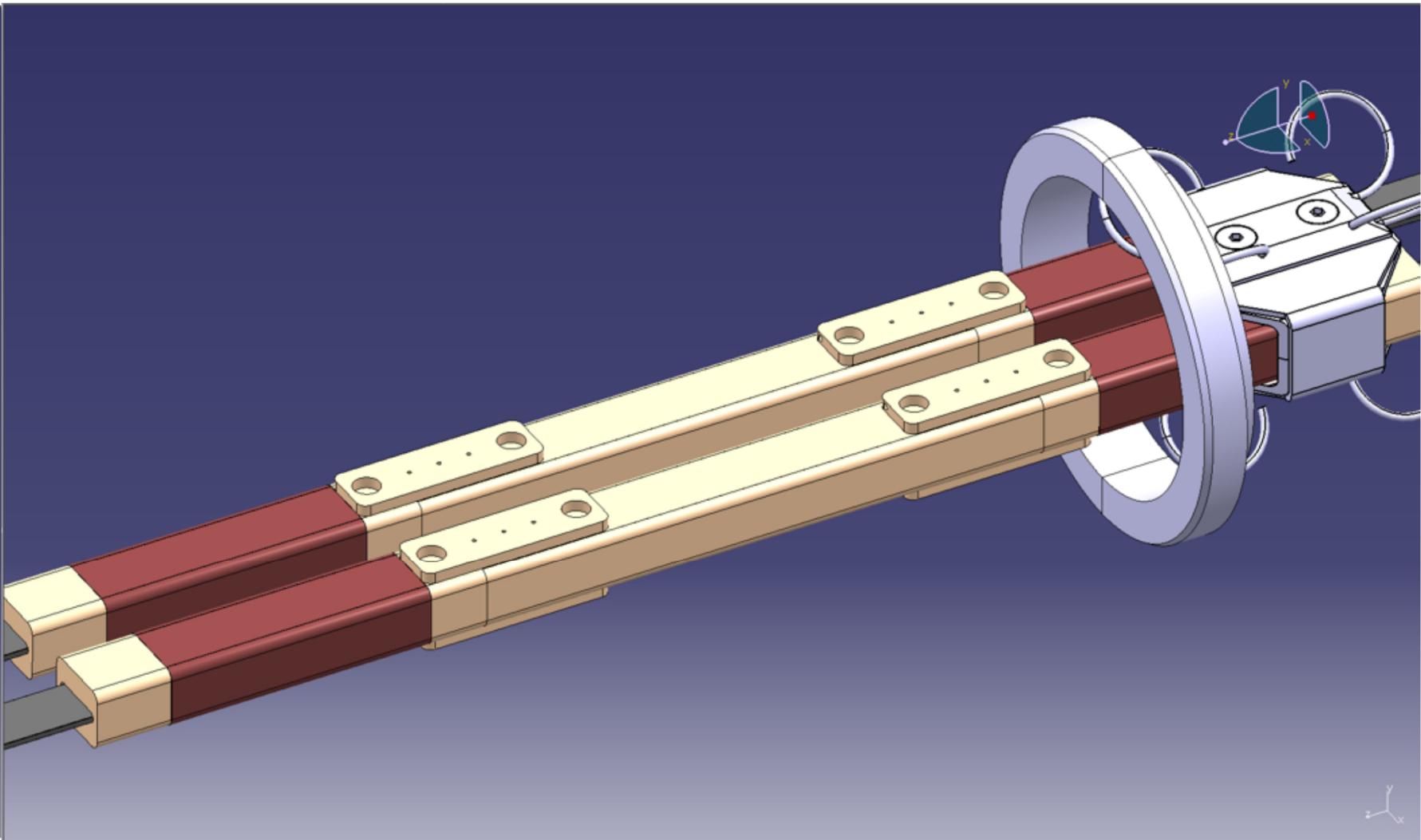
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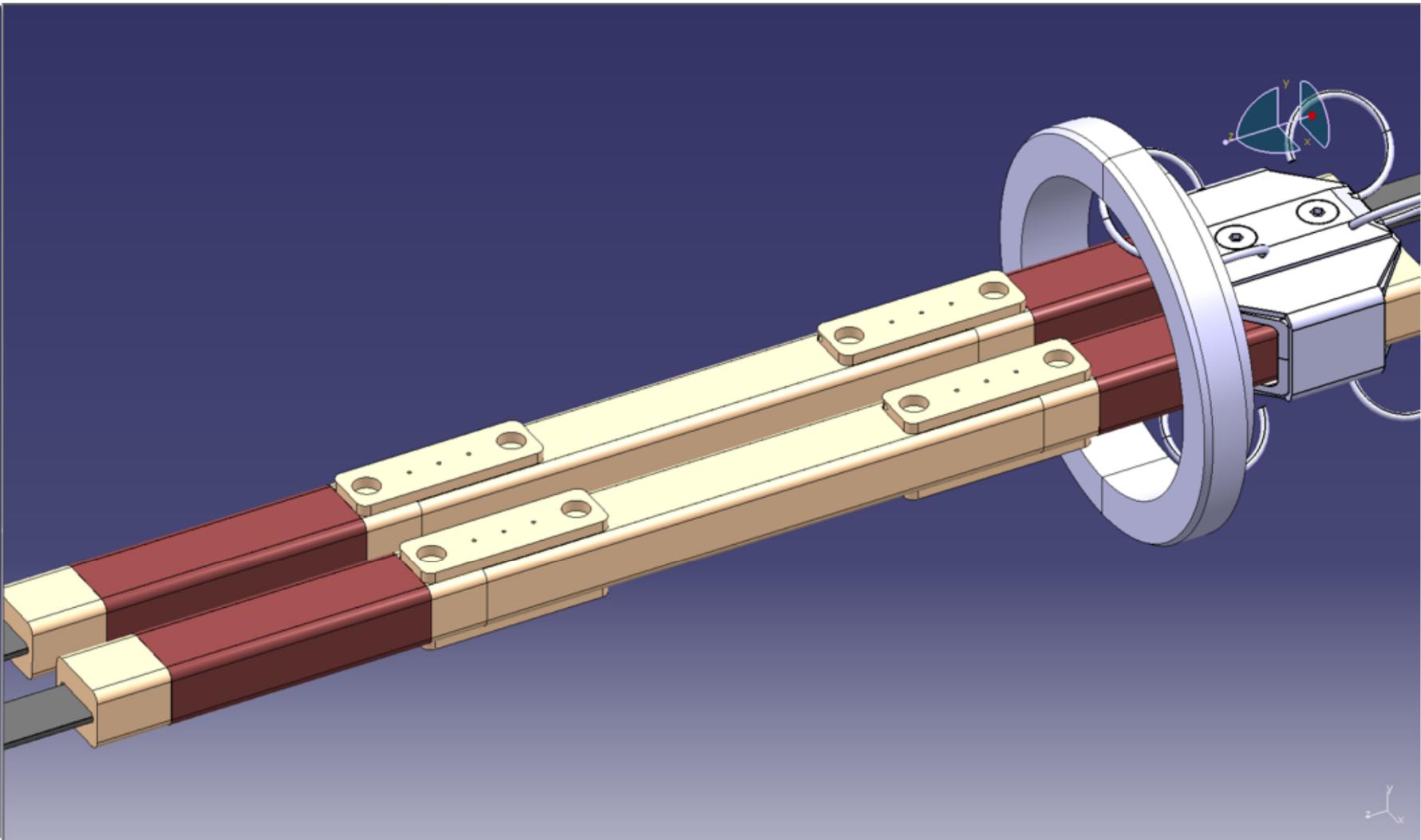
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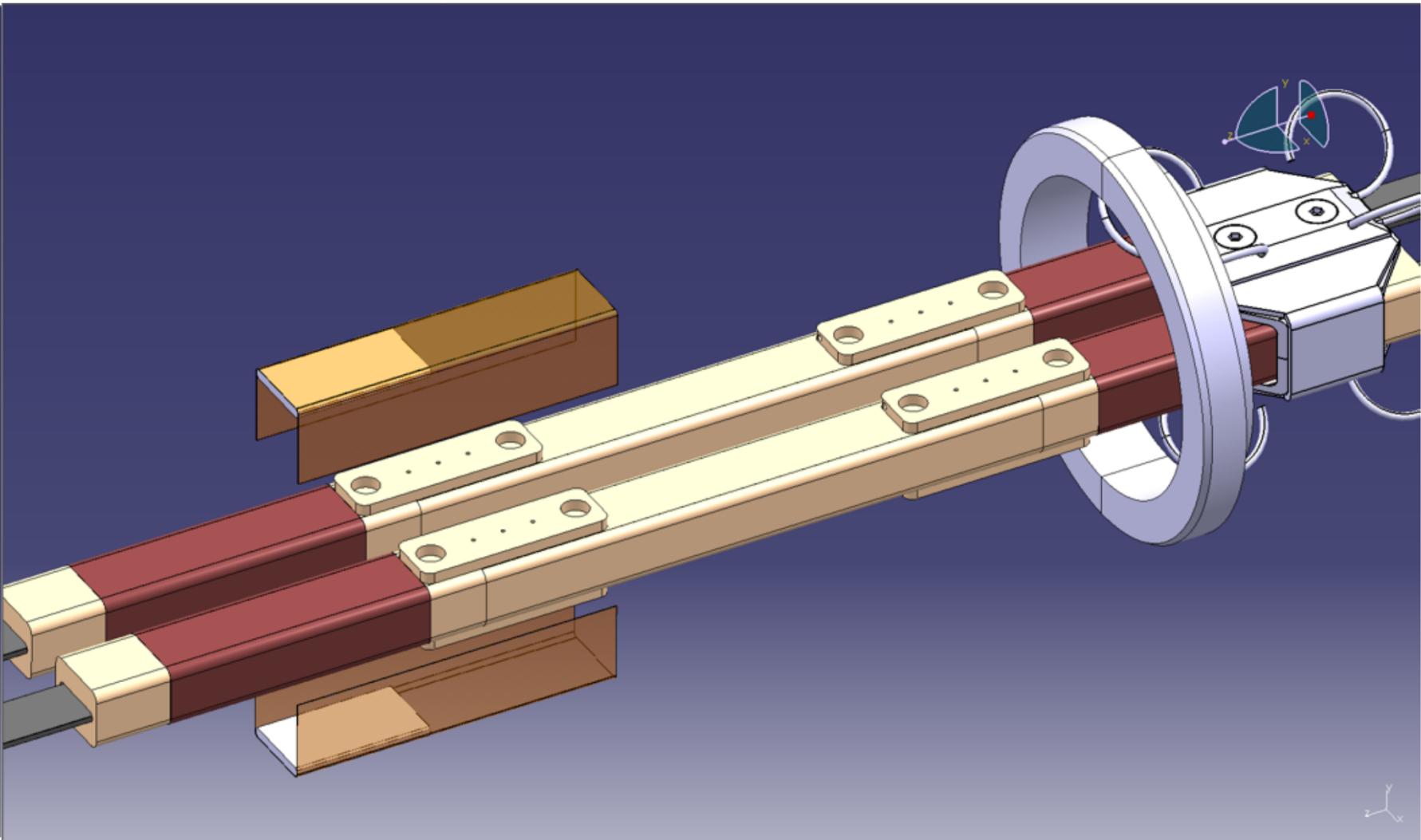
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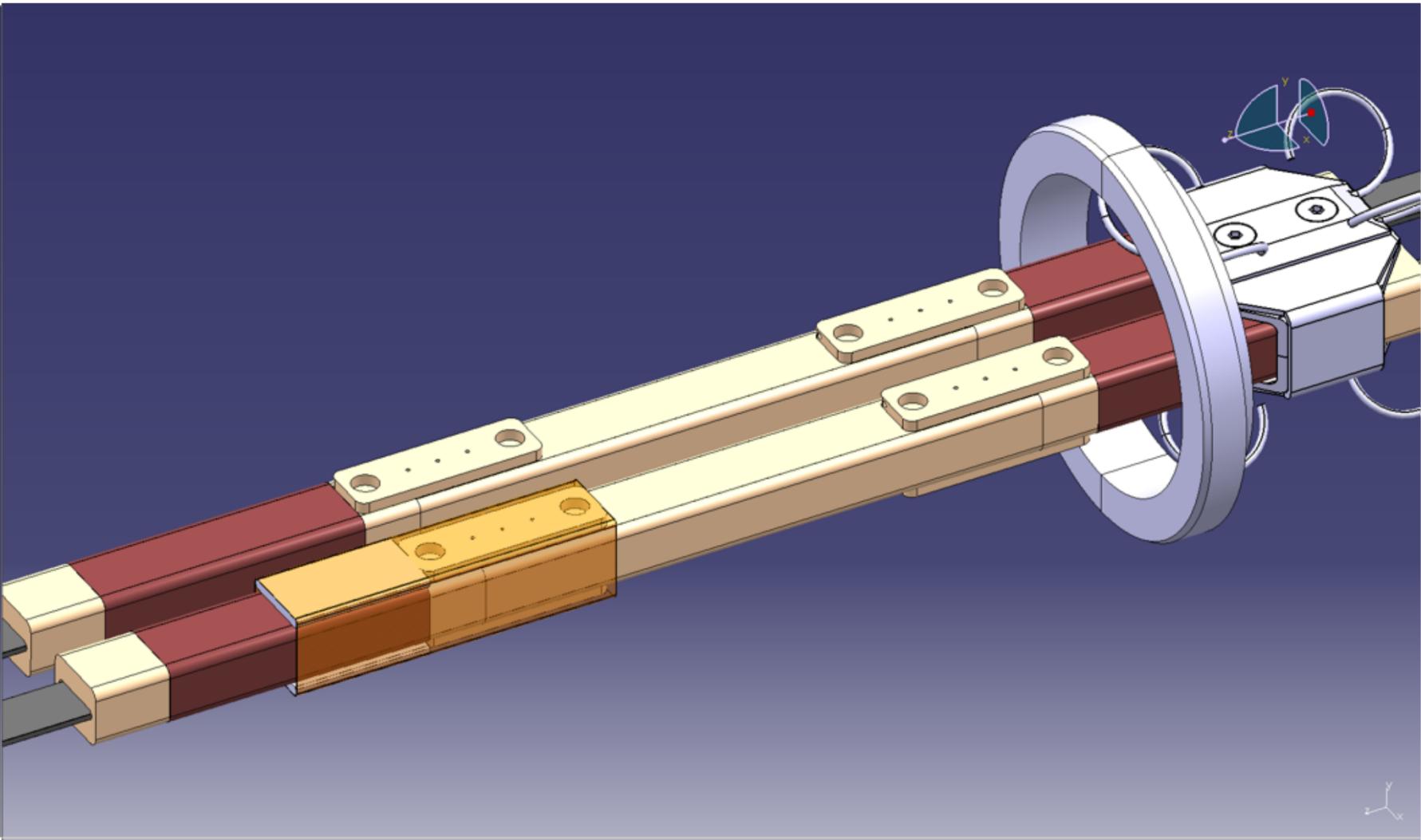
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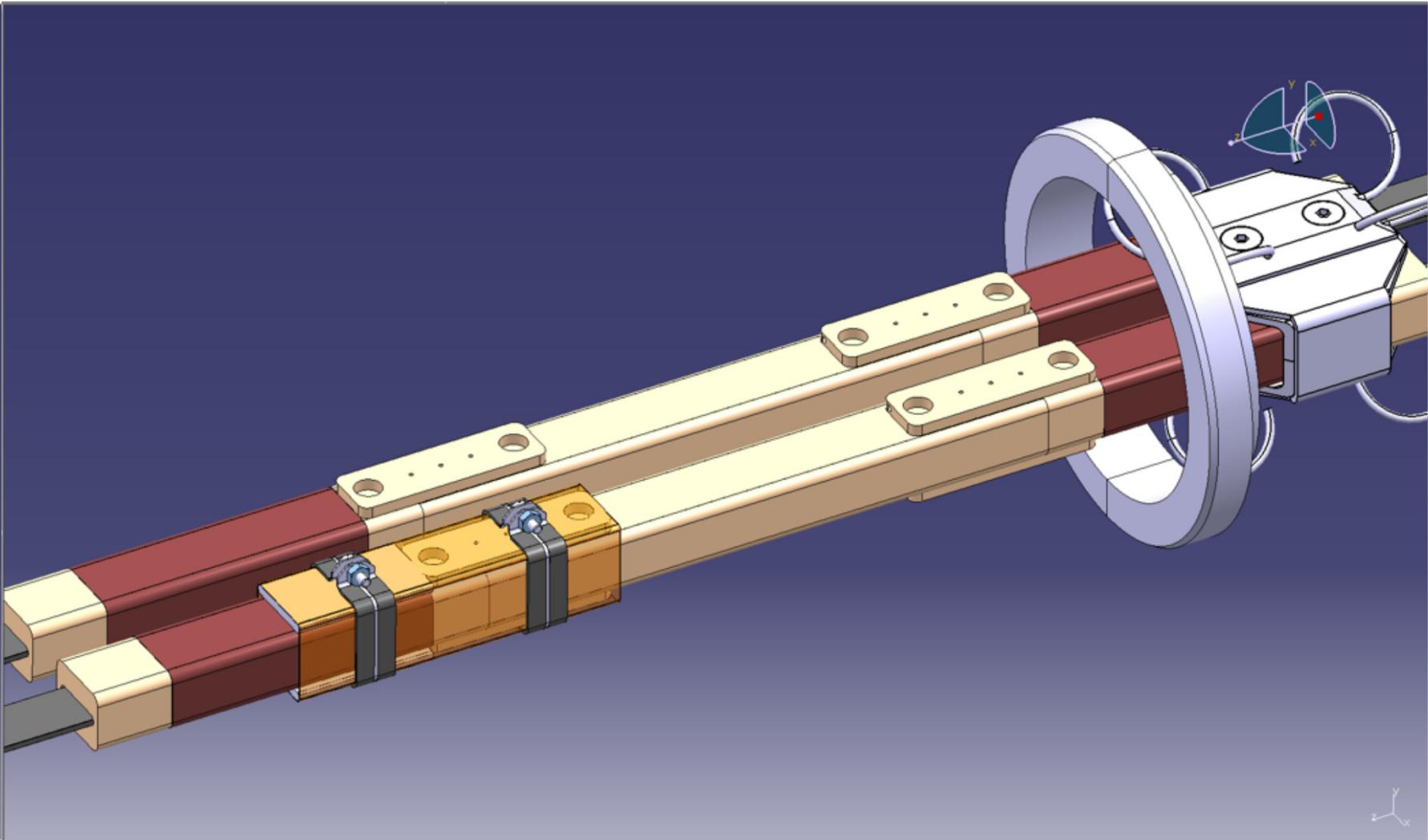
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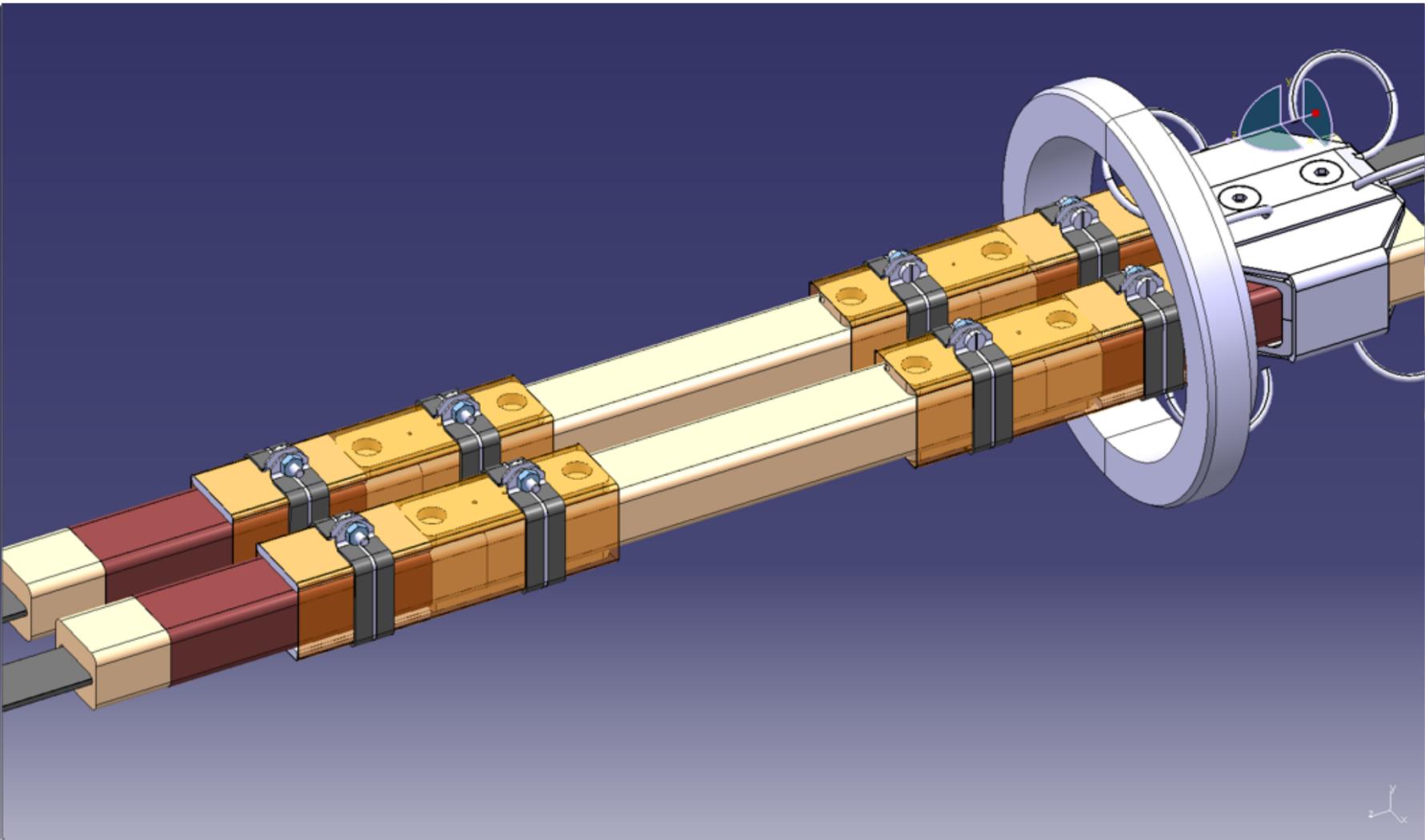
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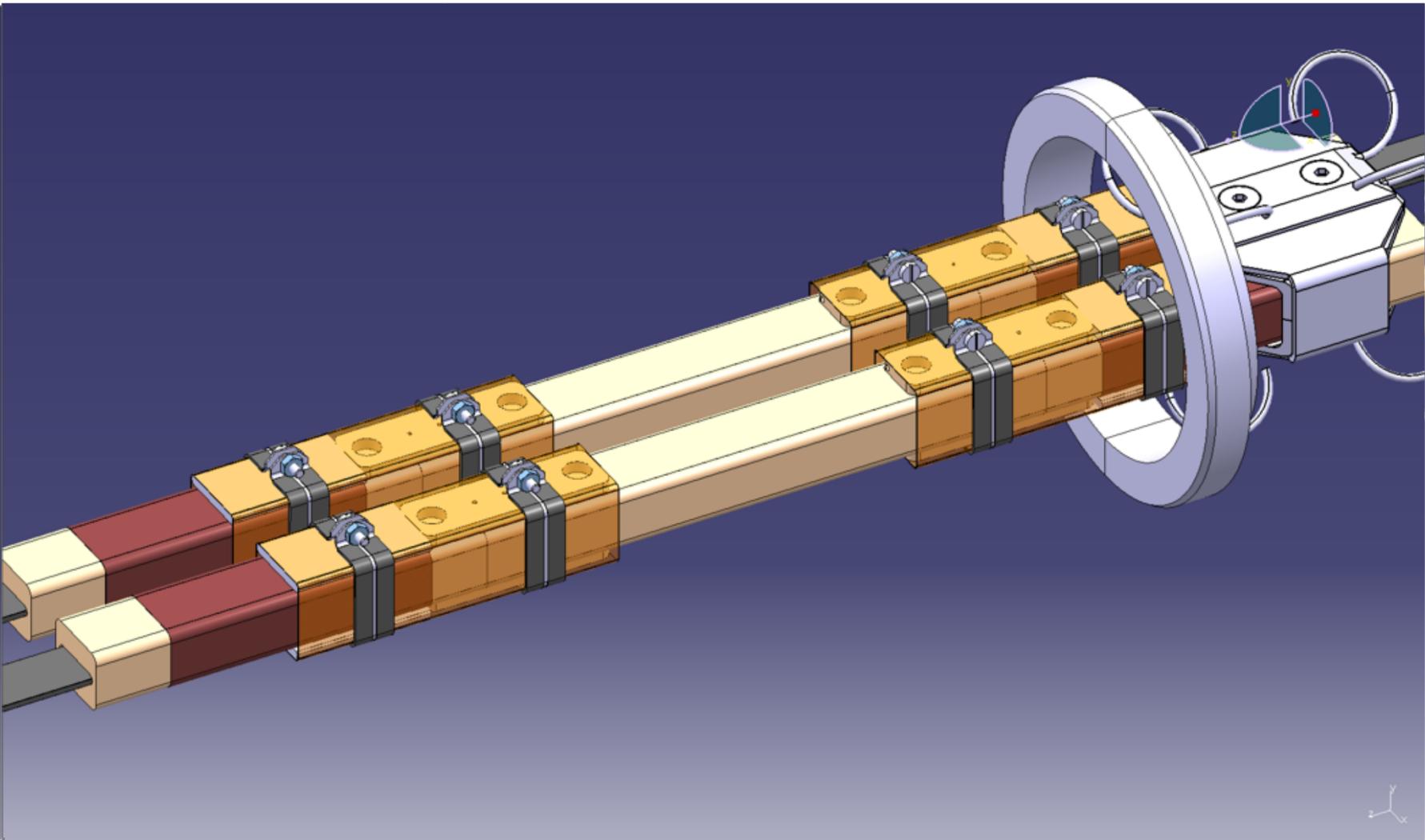
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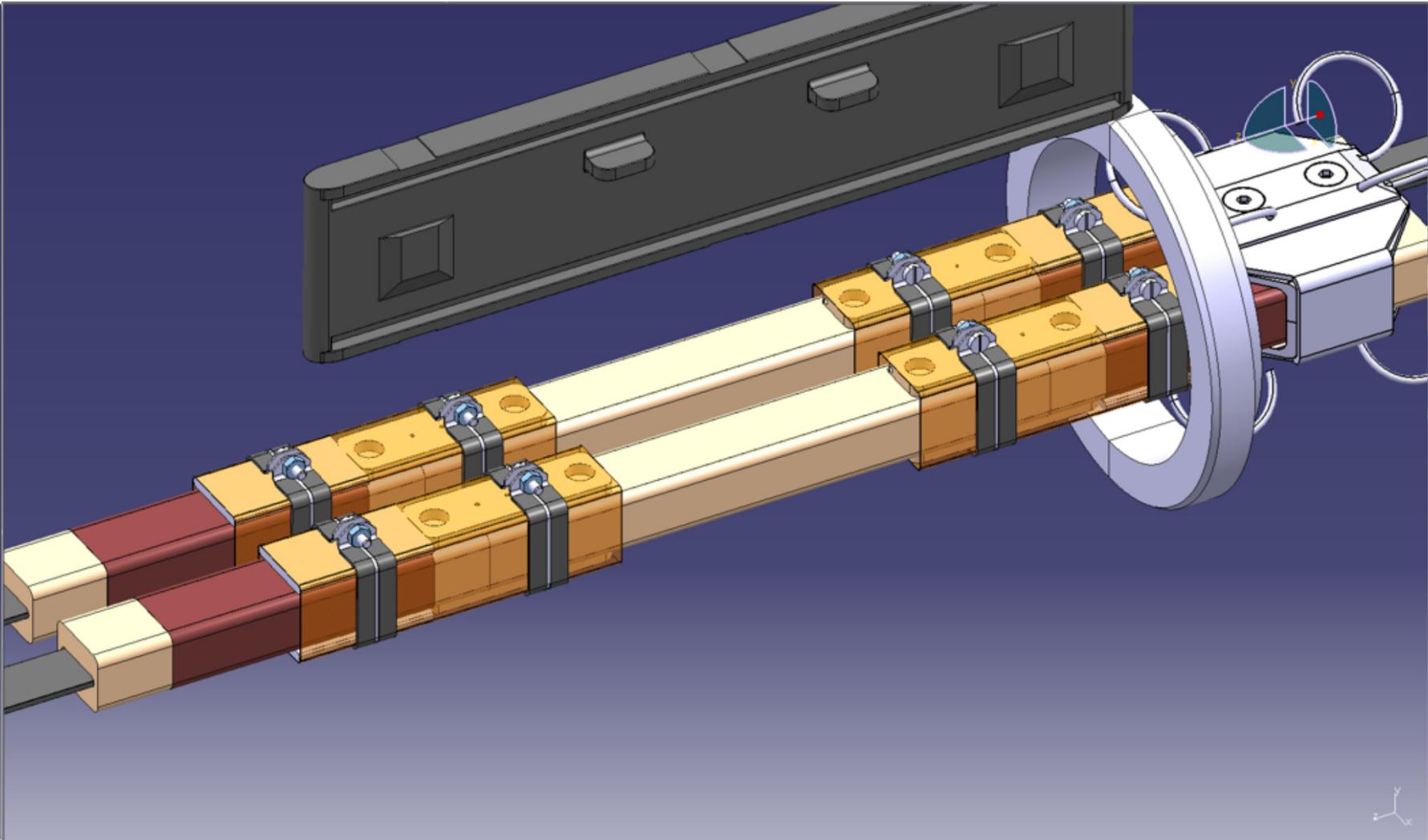
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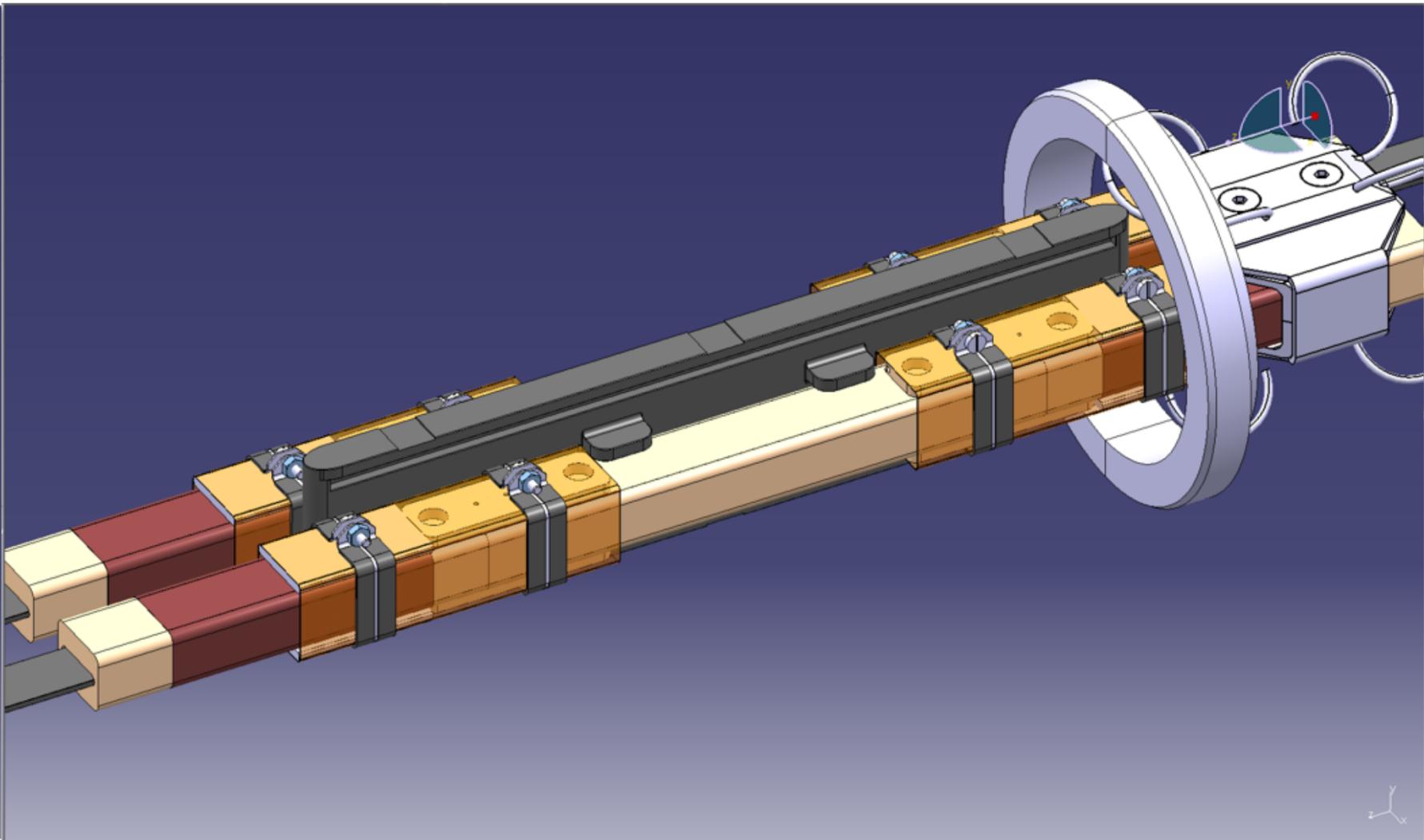
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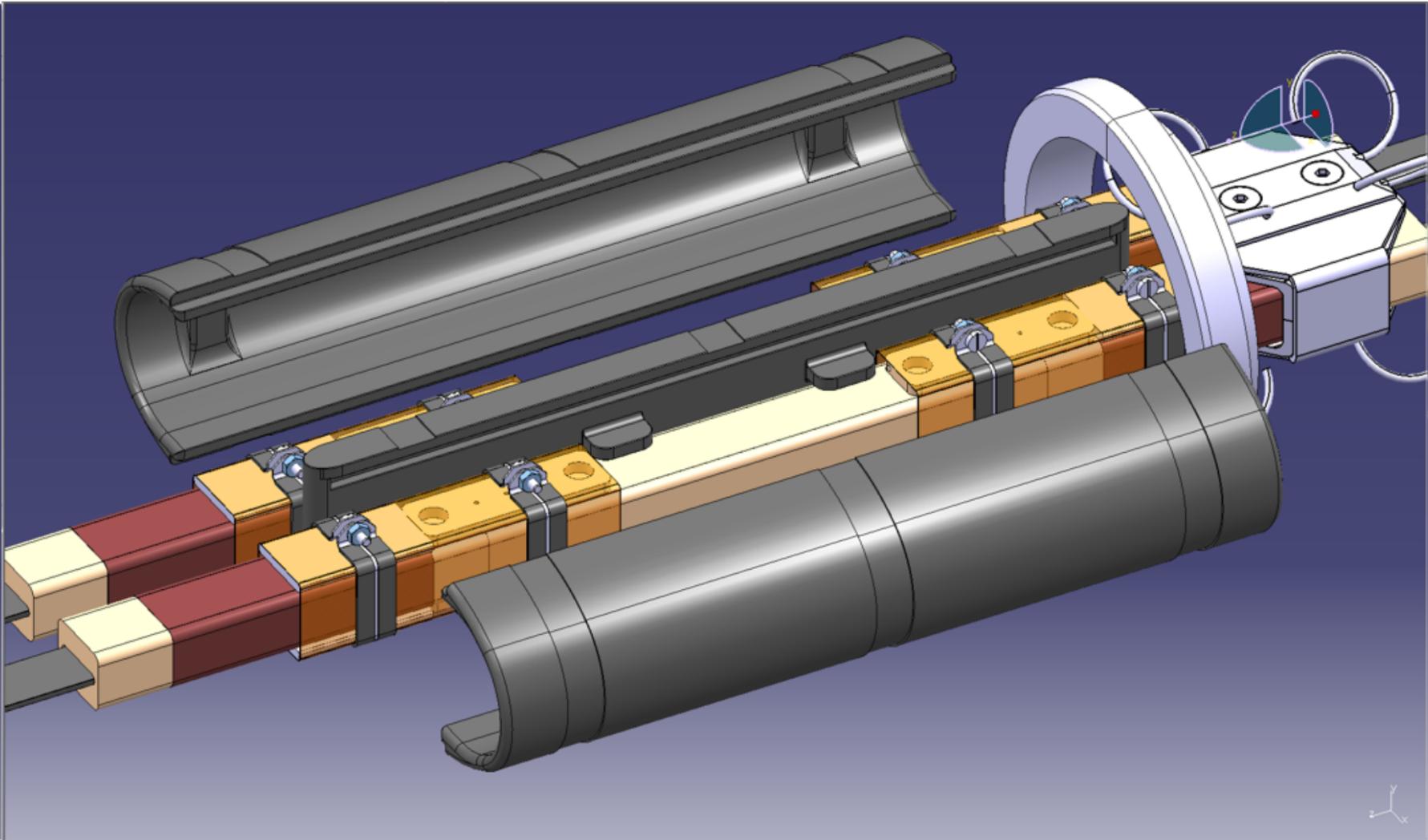
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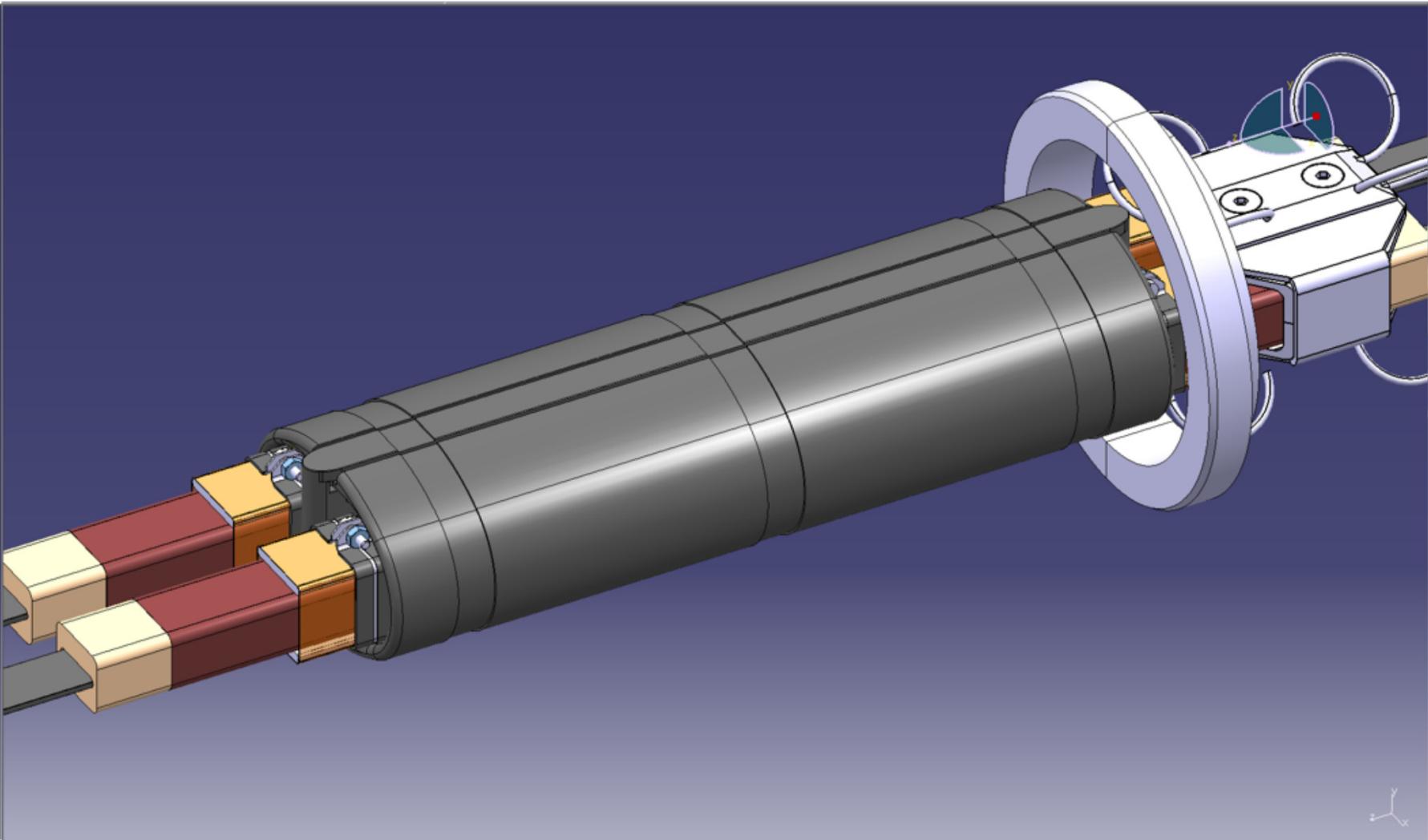
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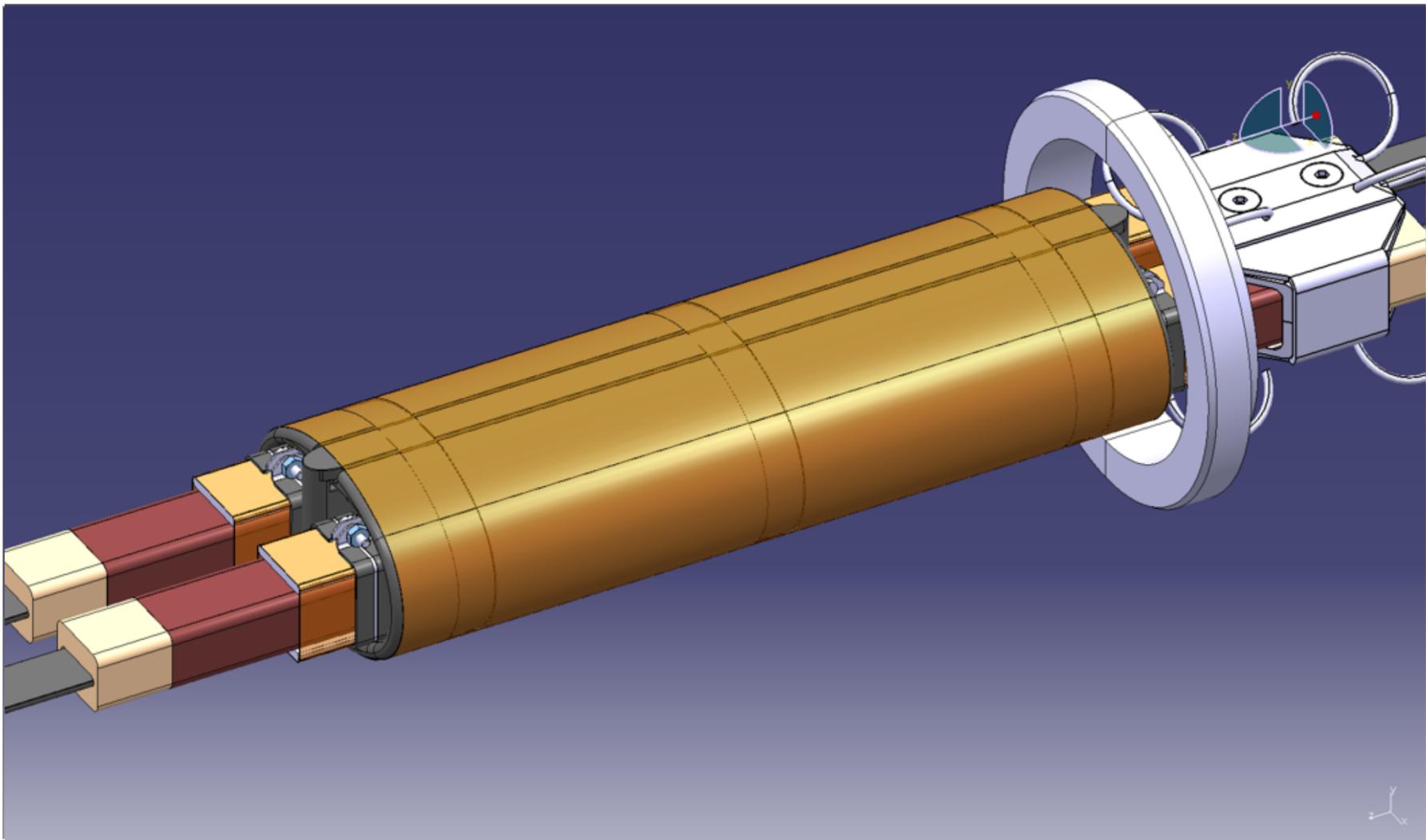
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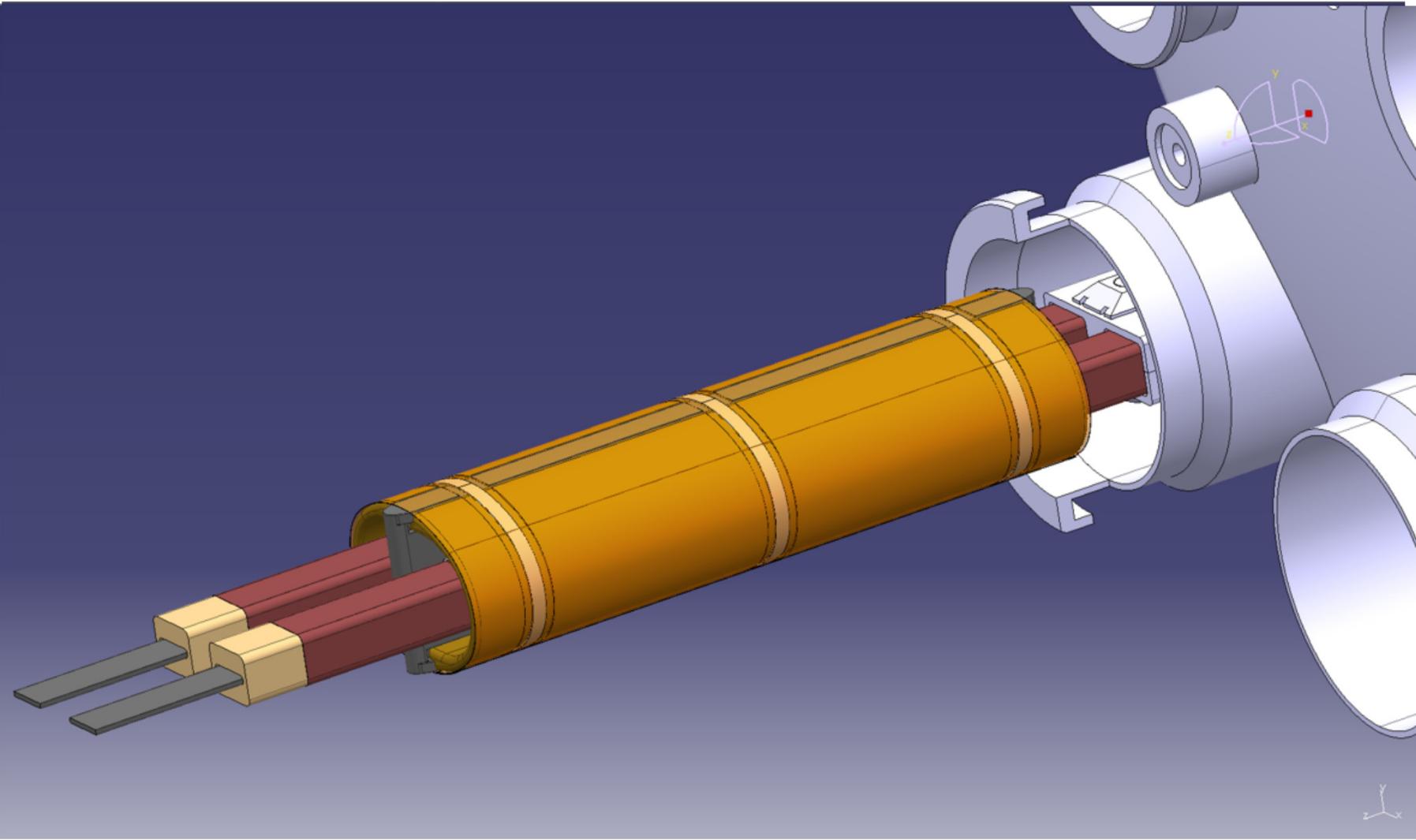
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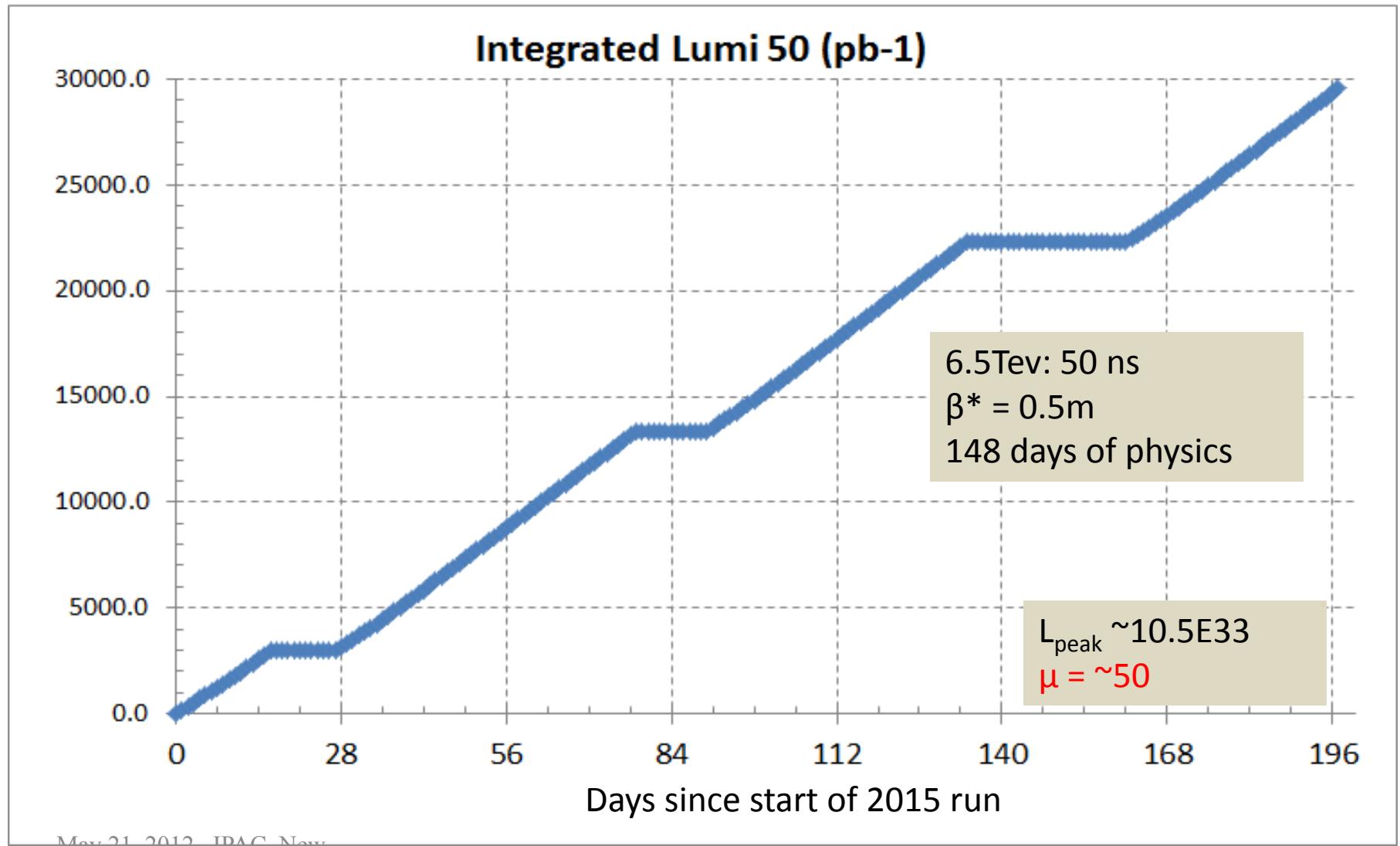
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Then operation at 6.5TeV per beam

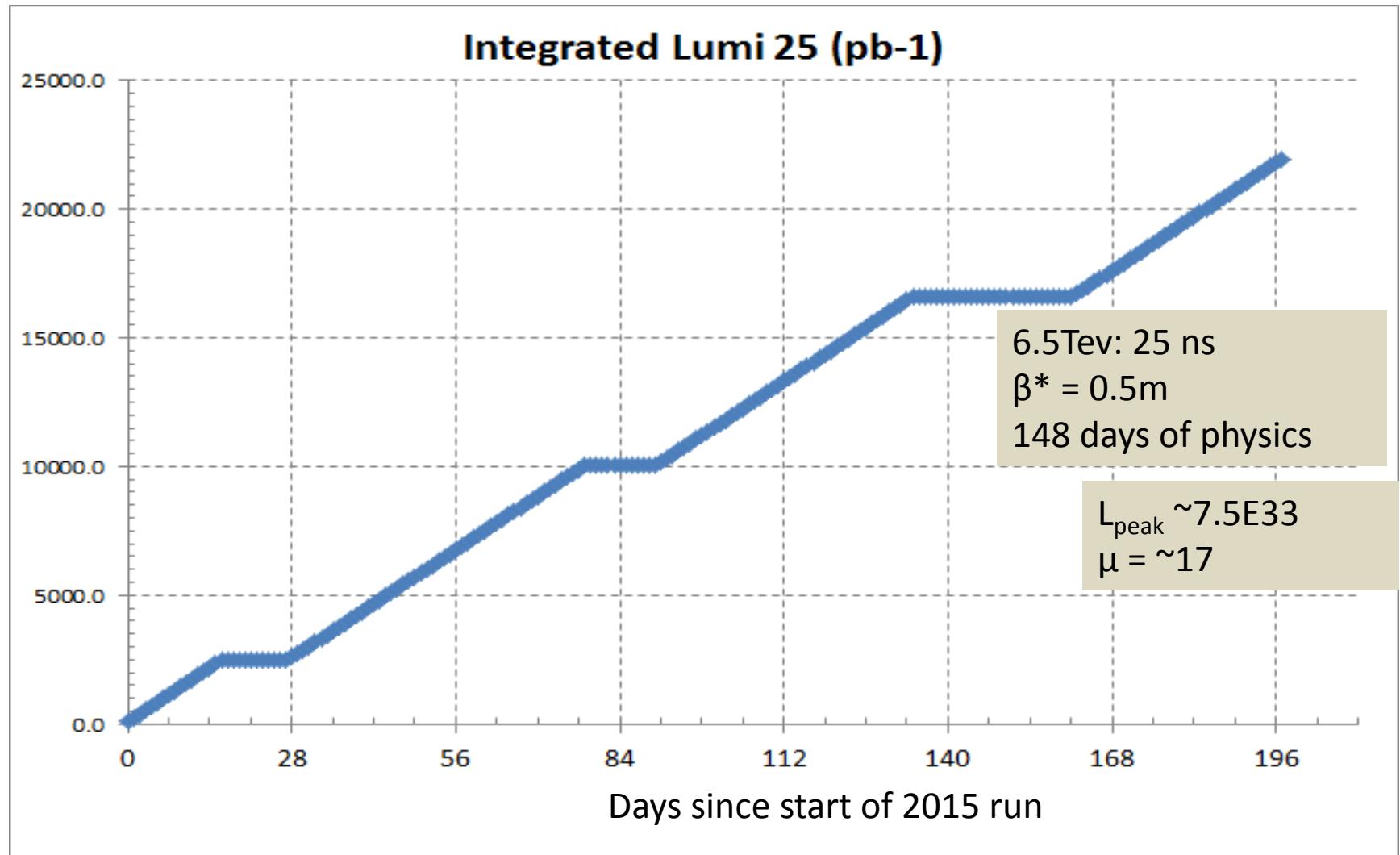
Assumptions

- $E=6.5\text{TeV}$
- $\beta^* = 0.5\text{m}$
- All other conditions as in 2012 i.e. no improvement (yet) in injector brightness, LHC availability same etc

6.5TeV per beam with 50ns



6.5TeV: 25ns



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Draft 10 year plan

(27/10/2011)

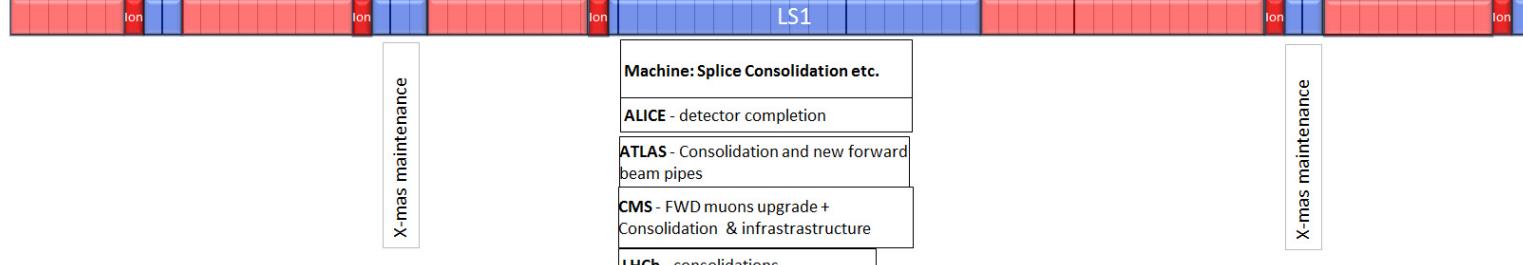
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Operations period 1 (OP1)

Long Shutdown 1 (LS1)

Operations period 2 (OP2)

LHC



Injectors



2016

2017

2018

2019

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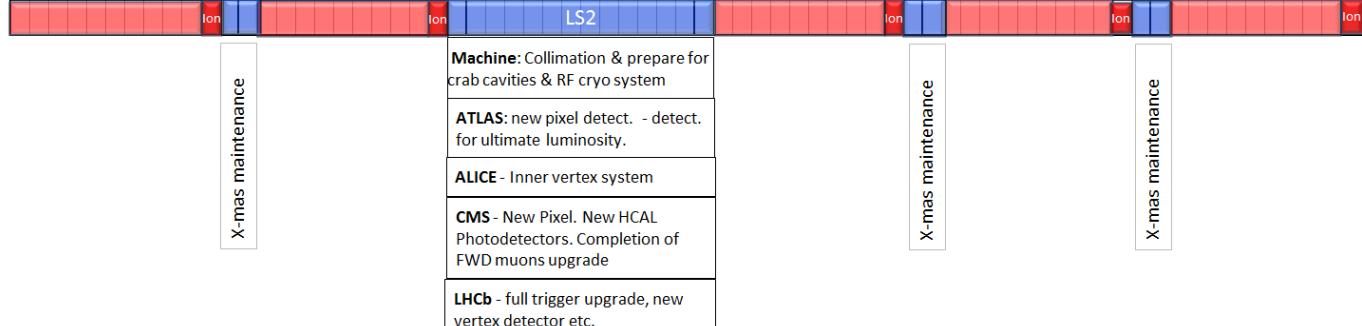
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Injectors



Orleans

LS2 : 2018, LHC Injector Upgrades

see TUXA02 R. Garoby

Connect Linac4 to PS Booster, (if not already achieved)

- New PS Booster injection channel

TUPPR091, W. Weterings:

Upgrade PS Booster from 1.4 to 2.0 GeV

- New Power Supplies, RF system etc.
- Upgrade transfer lines, instrumentation etc.

MOPPD057, W. Bartmann:
THPPP016, A. Sarrio Martinez:

Upgrades to the PS

- New Injection region for 2.0 GeV Injection
- New/Upgraded RF systems
- Upgrades to Feedbacks/Instrumentation etc.

Upgrades to the SPS

WEPPP079, C. Rivetta: WEPPP074 S.De Santis:

- Electron Cloud mitigation – strong feedback system, or coating of the vacuum system
- Impedance reduction, improved feedbacks
- Large-scale modification to the main RF system

MOPPD056, W. Bartmann:
WEPR072 H. Bartosik:

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HL- LHC Upgrade

Aim to produce $\sim 3000\text{fb}^{-1}$ delivered to the experiments over 10 years.

With a luminosity $\sim 5 \times 10^{34}$ and leveling to limit pile-up

- Increased bunch charge, low emittance from the injectors
- Very Low β^* (10-20 cm) in Atlas and CMS: new insertions **TUPPR068, S. Fartoukh:**
- (Crab-cavities to perform leveling)
- (Enhanced Collimation system)

Presently in the R&D Phase (magnets, RF, beam studies)

- Major R&D Effort for High-Field Magnets

THPPD030, S. Russenschuck: THPPD039, B. Auchmann:

- Studies of Crab-Cavity designs underway
- Collimators in the cold arcs + robust jaw material studies

Construction of technical equipment is likely to start around 2016-17

For installation during Long shutdown 3 (2022)

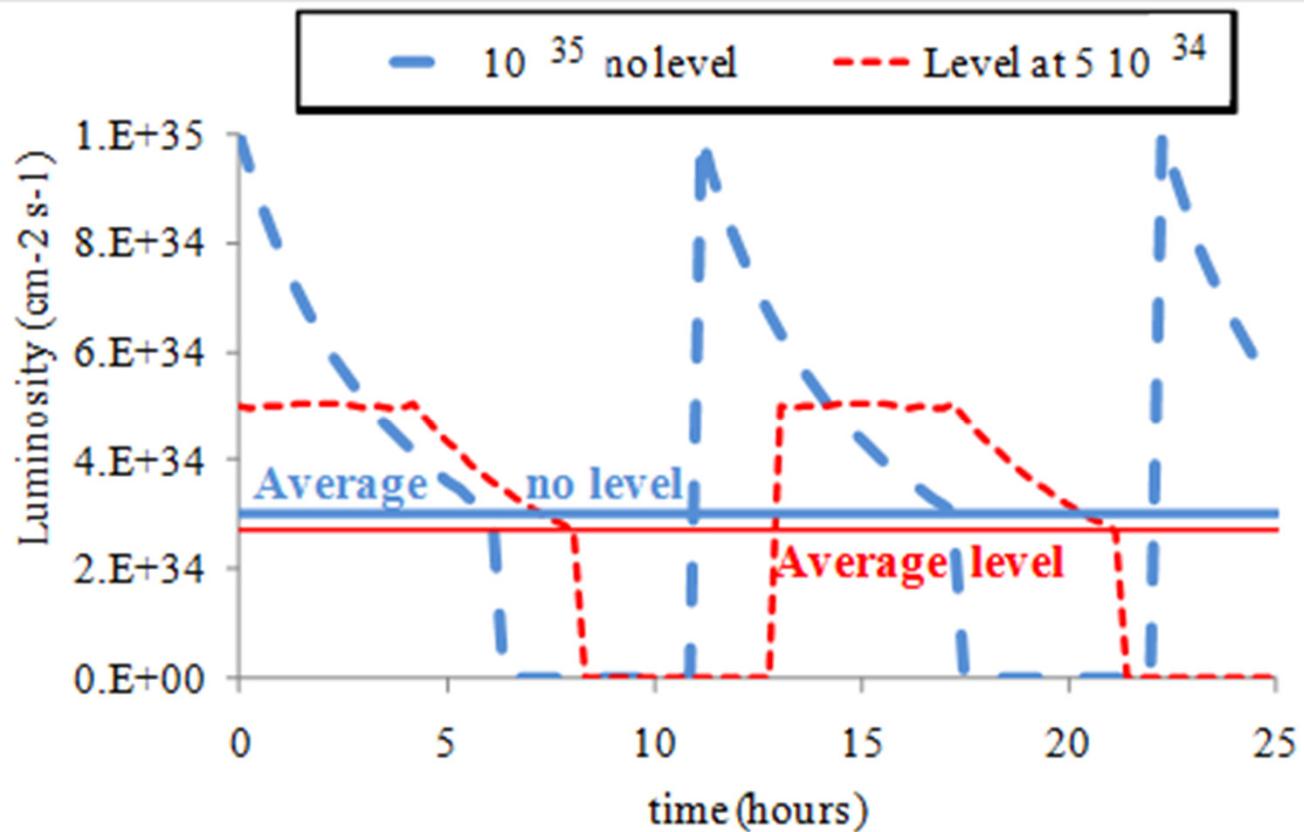
TUOAC03, A.V. Zoblin: MOPPC005, F. Zimmermann: MOPPC010 R.DE Maria: MOPPC011 S. Fartoukh: WEPPC085, D. Gorelov:

Preliminary HL-LHC Performance Estimates

Parameter	Nom.	Stretched	Stretched	Baseline	Baseline
	25 ns	25 ns	50 ns	25 ns	50 ns
$N_b [10^{11}]$	1.15	2.2	3.5	1.7	2.5
$\beta^* [m]$	0.55	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
$\epsilon_n [\mu m]$	3.75	2.5	3.0	2.5	2.0
Piwinski	0.68	2.54	2.66	2.56	2.56
b-b/IP[10^{-3}]	3.1	3.9	5	3	5.6
L_{peak} (no crab)	1	9.0	9.0	5.3	7.2
Crabbing	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
$L_{peak\ virtual}$	1	25	25	14.3	19.5
Lumi level	=	5	2.5	5	2.5
Pileup $L_{lev}=5L_0$	19	95	95	95	95

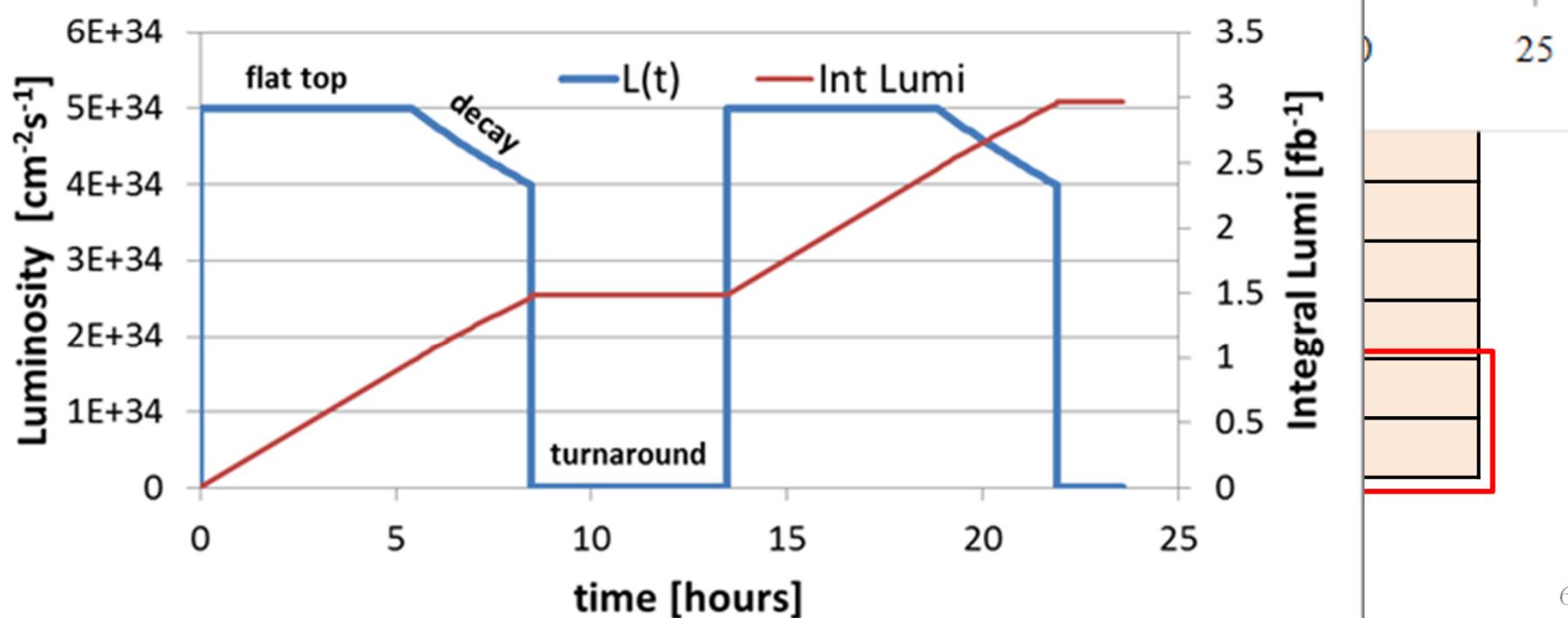
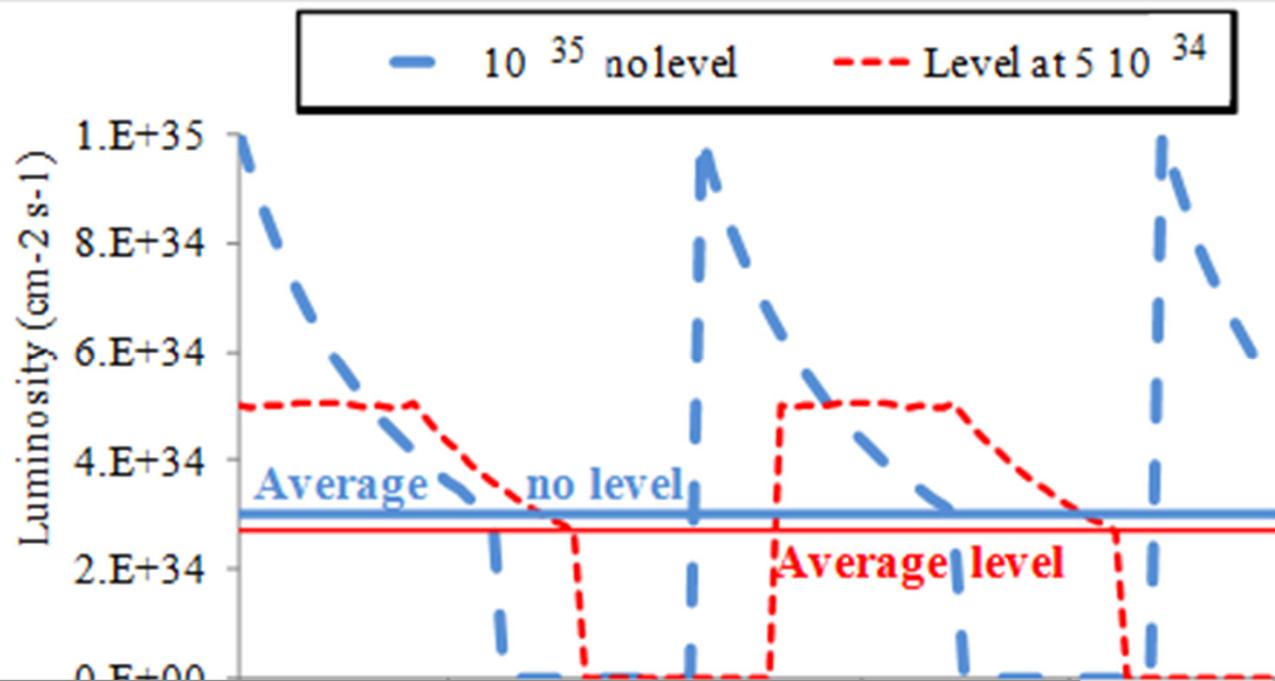
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Parameter	No	1	2	3	4
$N_b [10^{11}]$	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
$\beta^* [m]$	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
$\epsilon_n [\mu m]$	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7
Piwinski	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
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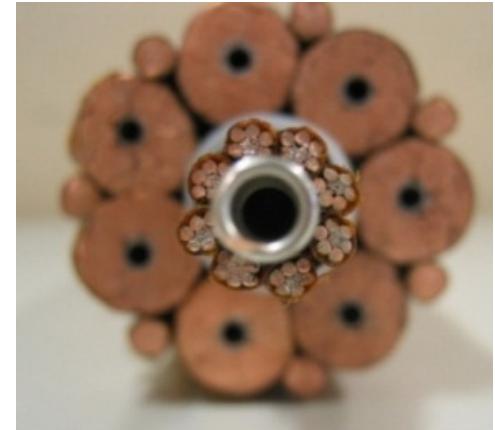
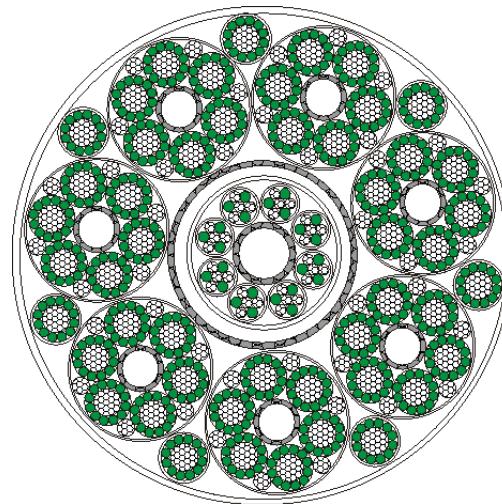
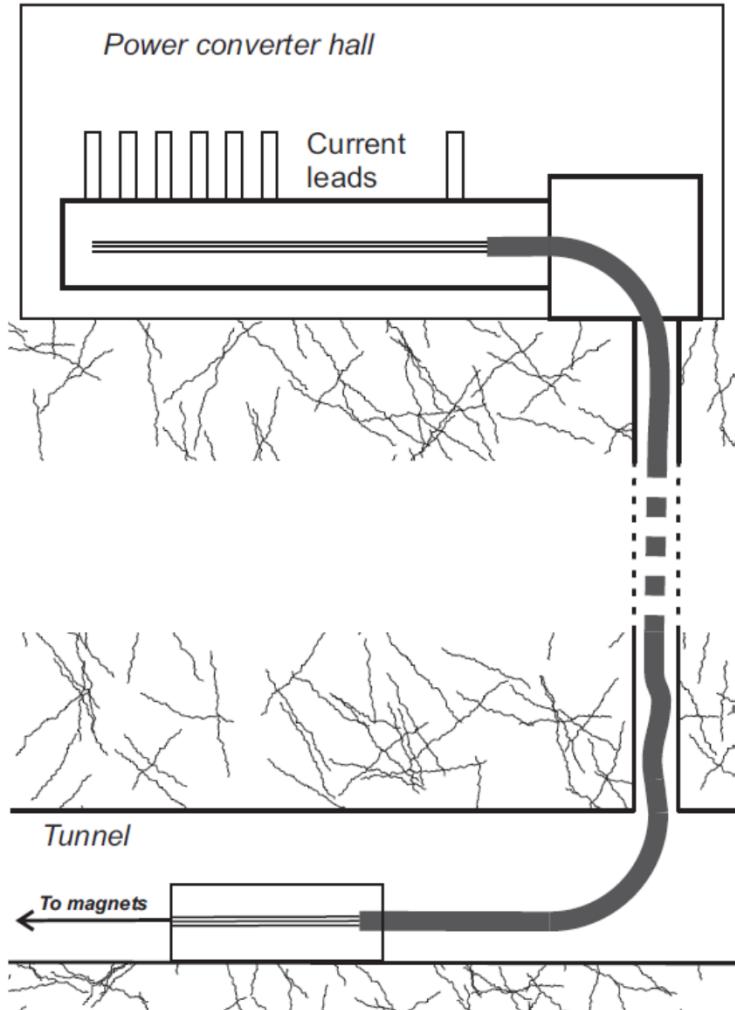
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Parameter	No
$N_b [10^{11}]$	1.1
$\beta^* [m]$	0.5



R&D Superconducting Links

Motivated by the need to remove the power converters out of the tunnel, avoiding radiation effects



$\Phi = 62 \text{ mm}$

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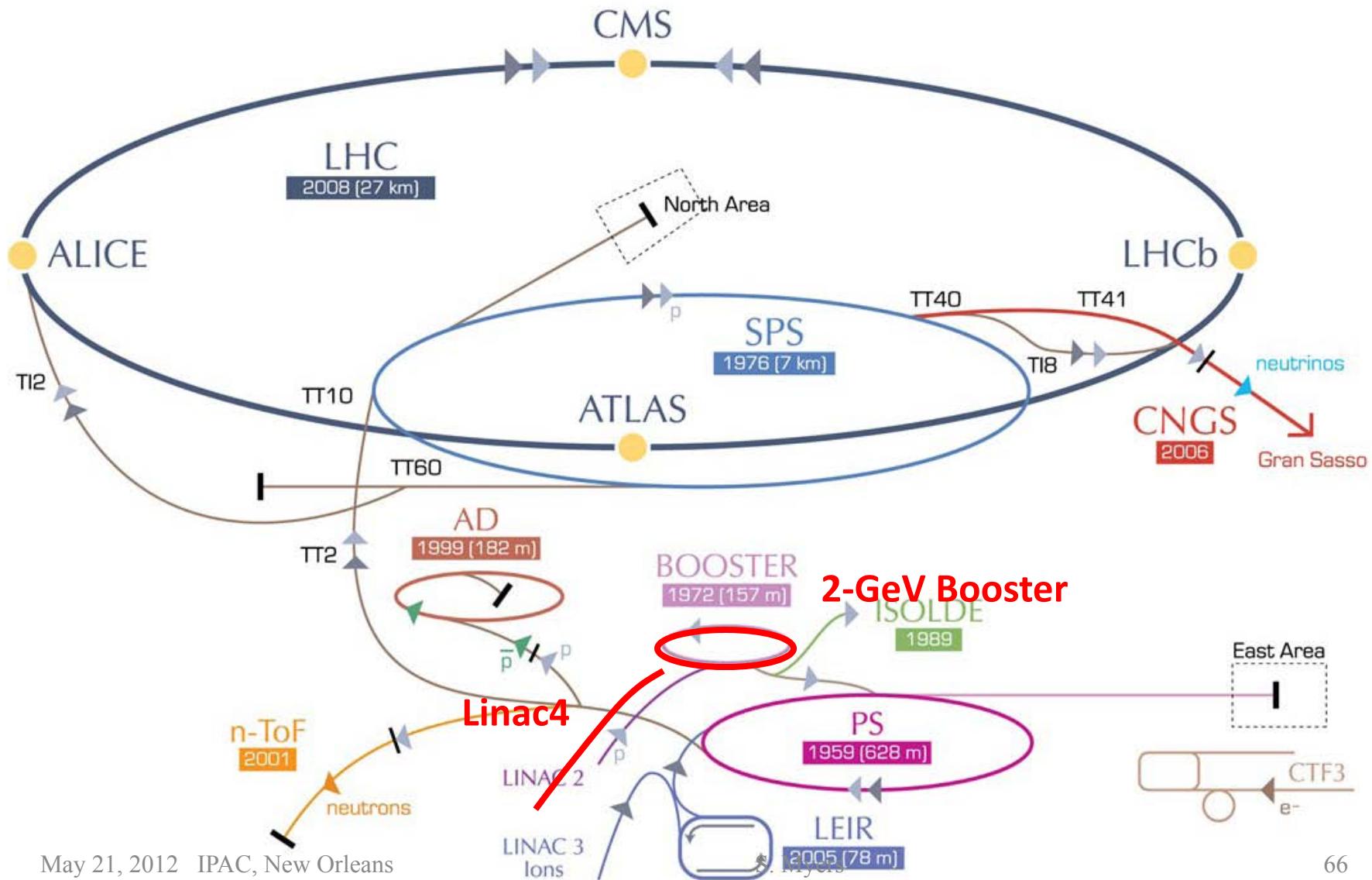
$7 \times 14 \text{ kA}, 7 \times 3 \text{ kA} \text{ and } 8 \times 0.6 \text{ kA}$ cables – $I_{\text{tot}} \sim 120 \text{ kA}$ @ 30 K

Also DFs with current leads removed to surface
Definitive solution to R2E problem
Make room for shielding unmovable electronics
Make much easier maintenance and application ALARA

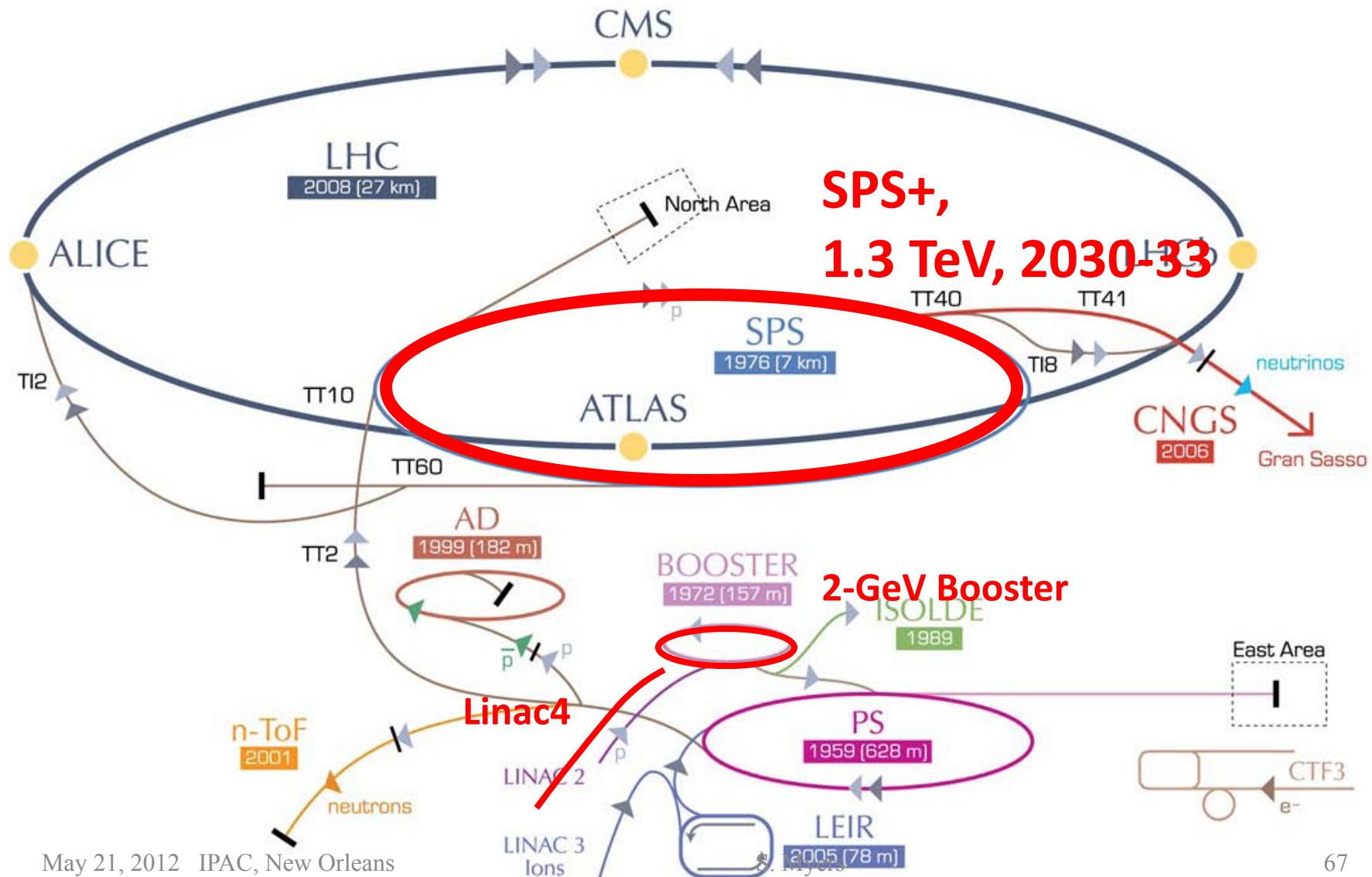
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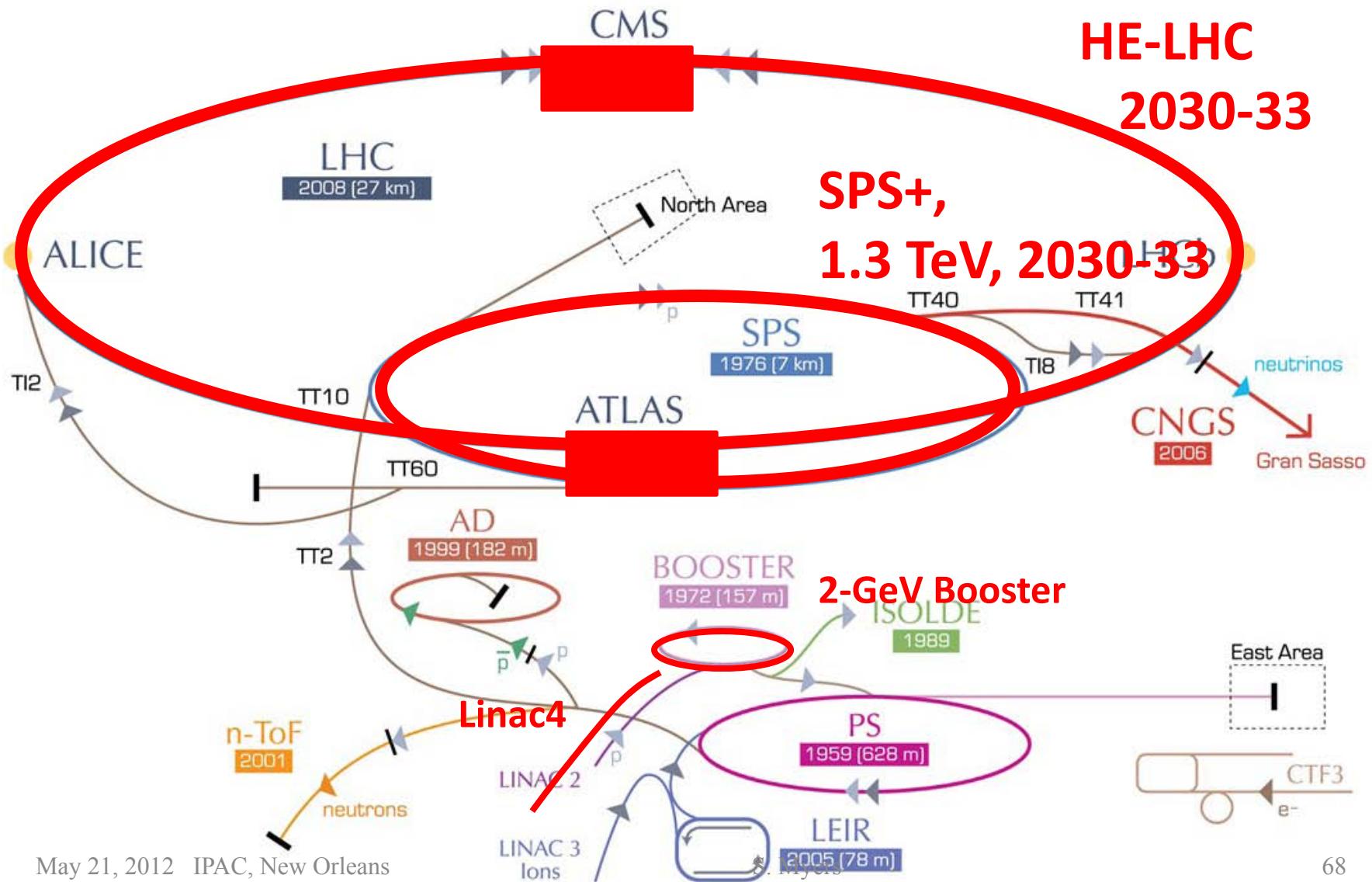
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Very Long Term Objectives: Higher Energy LHC

Preliminary HE-LHC - parameters

	nominal LHC	HE-LHC
beam energy [TeV]	7	16.5
dipole field [T]	8.33	20
dipole coil aperture [mm]	56	40-45
#bunches / beam	2808	1404
bunch population [10^{11}]	1.15	1.29
initial transverse normalized emittance [μm]	3.75	3.75 (x), 1.84 (y)
number of IPs contributing to tune shift	3	2
maximum total beam-beam tune shift	0.01	0.01
IP beta function [m]	0.55	1.0 (x), 0.43 (y)
full crossing angle [μrad]	285 (9.5 $\sigma_{x,y}$)	175 (12 σ_{x_0})
stored beam energy [MJ]	362	479
SR power per ring [kW]	3.6	62.3
longitudinal SR emittance damping time [h]	12.9	0.98
events per crossing	19	76
peak luminosity [$10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$]	1.0	2.0
beam lifetime [h]	46	13
integrated luminosity over 10 h [fb^{-1}]	S. Myers 0.3	0.5

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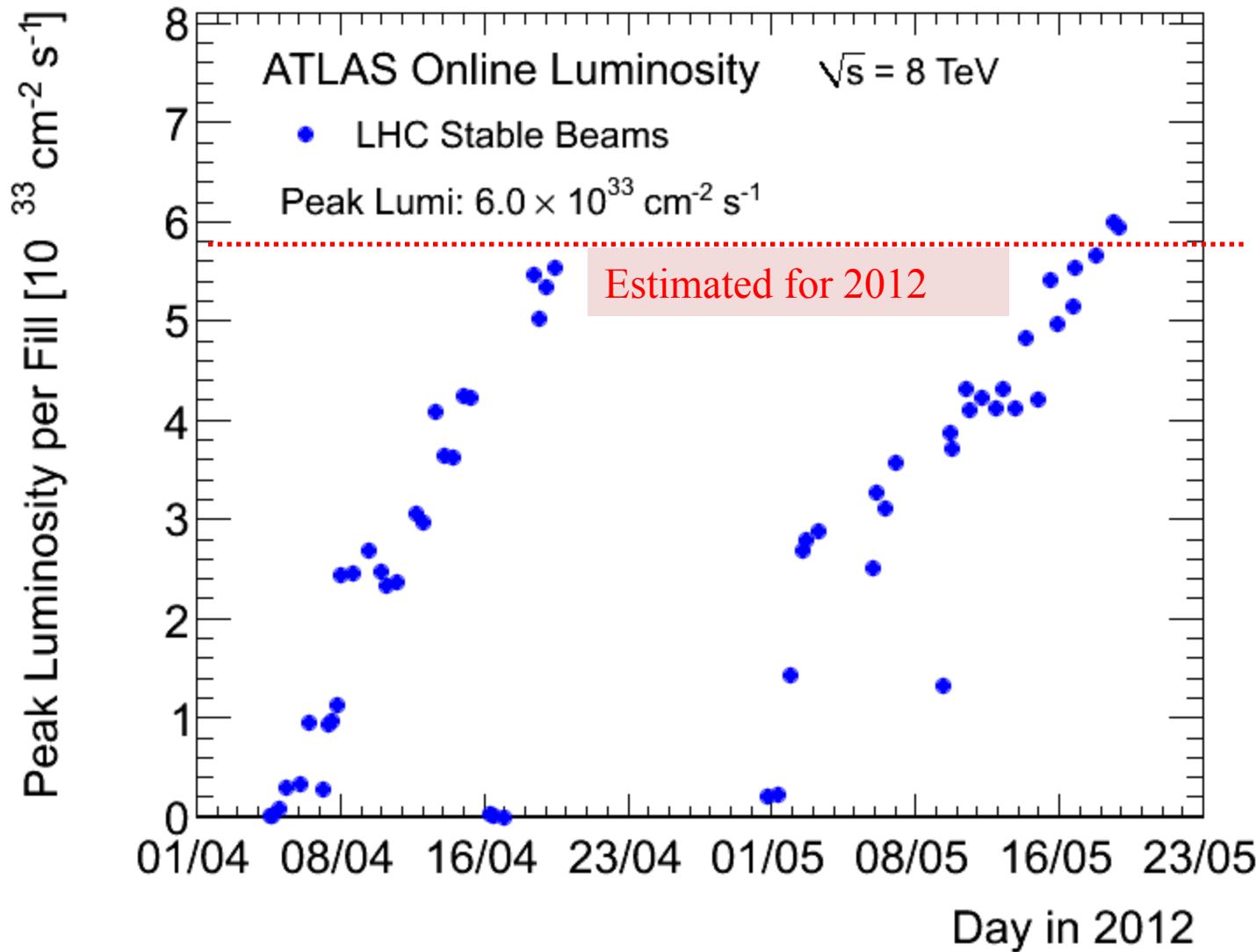
Very preliminary with large error bars

HE-LHC – main issues and R&D

- High-field 20T dipole magnets based on Nb₃Sn, Nb₃Al, and HTS
- High-gradient quadrupole magnets for arc and IR
- Fast cycling SC magnets for ~1.3TeV injector
- Emittance control in regime of strong SR damping and IBS
- Cryogenic handling of SR heat load (first analysis; looks manageable)
- Dynamic vacuum

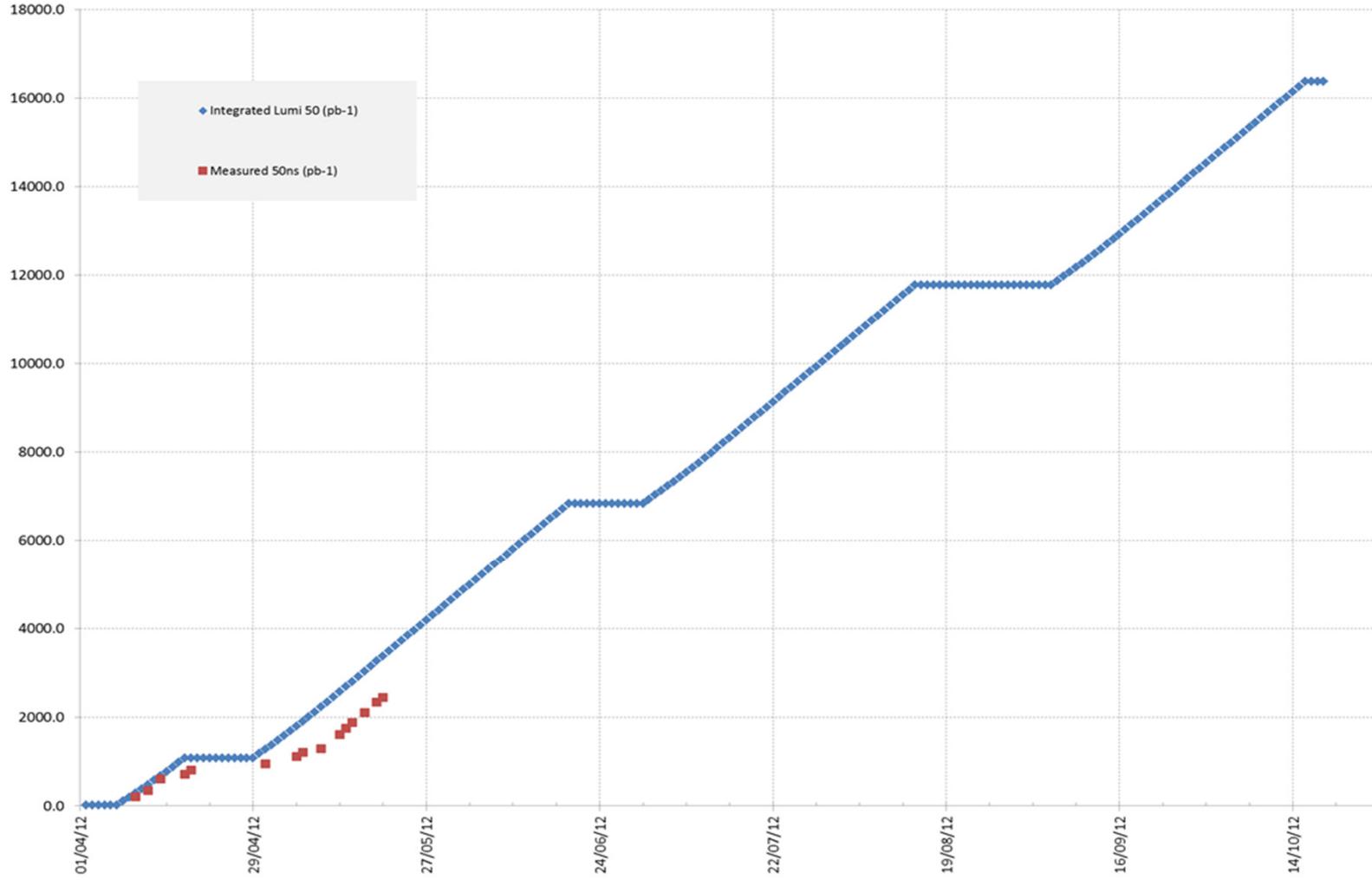
Stop Press: Present Performance

Peak Luminosity (as of today)



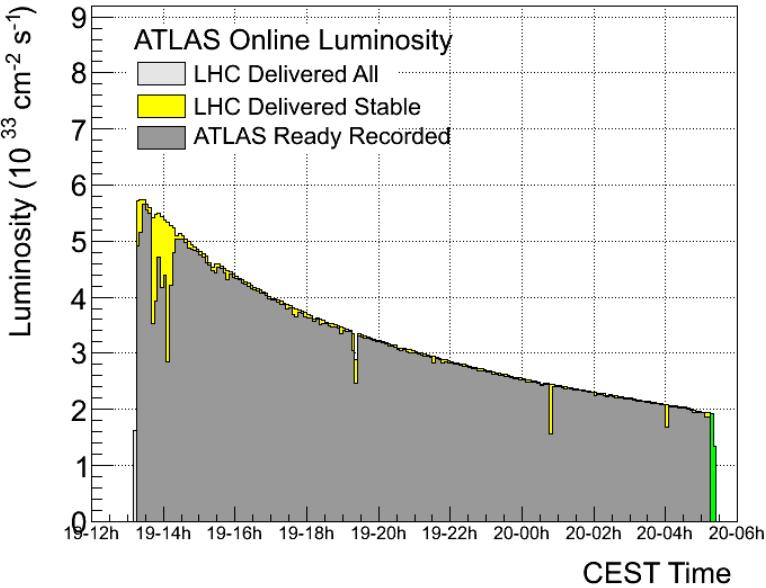
Luminosity Evolution (as of today)

2012 Measured vs Predicted Integrated Luminosity

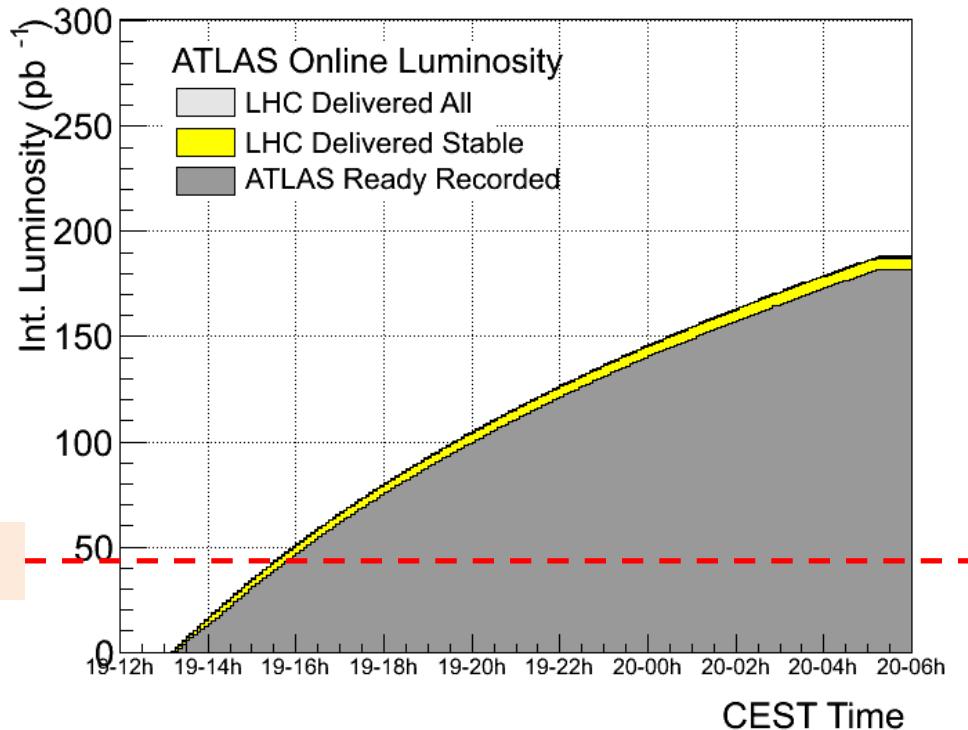


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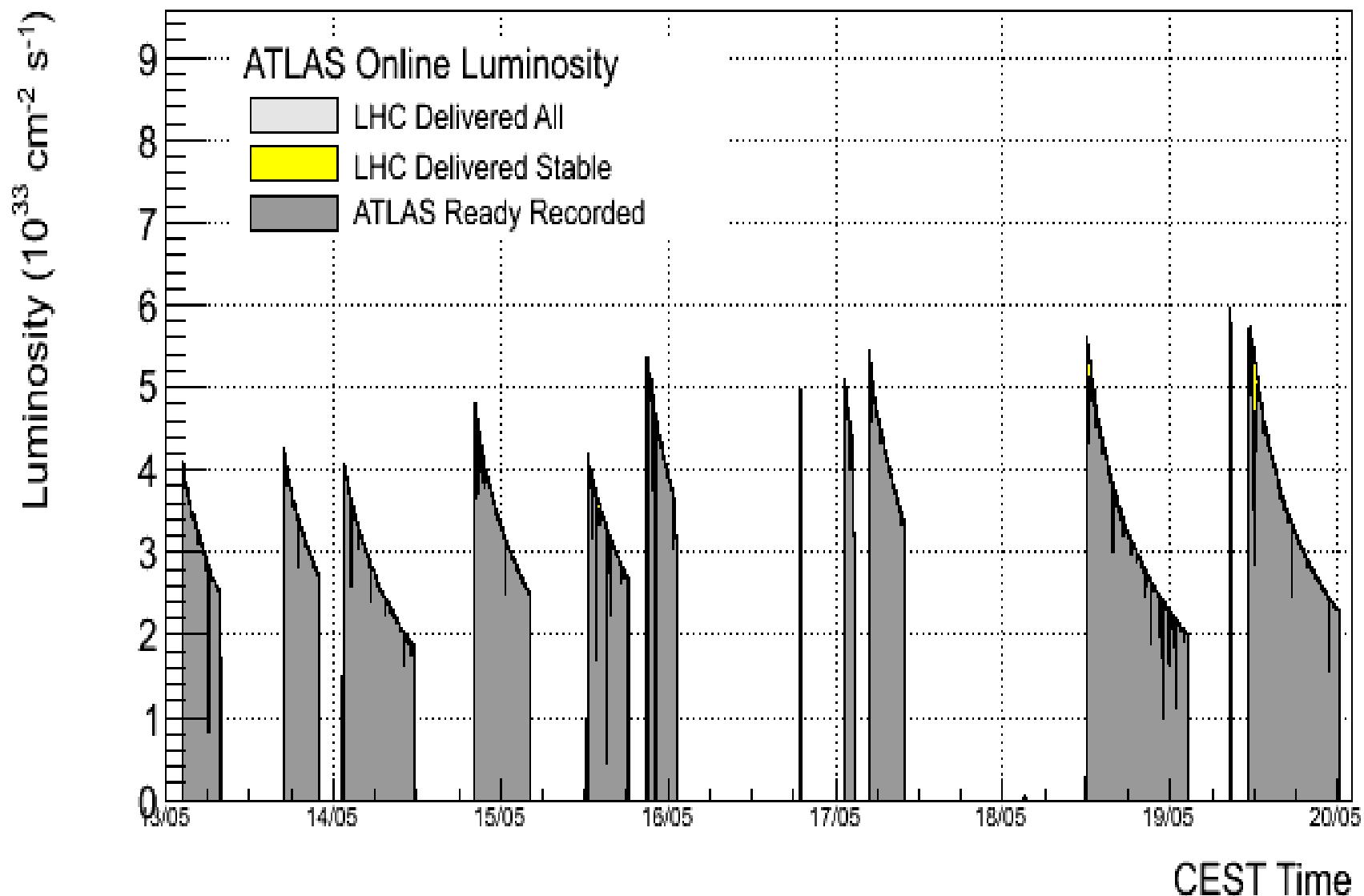
Fill 2646 (16 hours)



Integral of all of 2010



Last 7 Days



Not properly addressed (1)

- Beam-beam **TUPPR076**, T. Rijoff:
– luminosity levelling by transverse separation,
– crossing angle and separation schemes
– bunches with a range of betatron tunes,
- Instabilities (TMCI, Head-tail, coherent instabilities, electron cloud)
– Transverse Damping
– Landau damping octupoles,
– Beam-beam stabilization
– Solenoidal fields in warm regions
- Beam Induced Heating **WEPPR065**, B. Salvant
MOPPC014, A. Macpherson:
THYB03, E. Metral: MOEPPB10, A.Jeff: MOPPC004, C. Bracco: WEPPR068 K. Li:WEPPR069, N. Mounet:

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- Magnet System WEEPPB14, E. Todesco
- Machine protection THPPR040, M. Zerlauth: THPPP010, K. Fuchsberger:
 - Injection (protection devices, BLMS, injection interlocks..) THPPR037, M. Sapinski: TUPPR093/094, L. Drosdal:
 - Ramp and squeeze (collimators, BLMS, orbit control...)
 - Collisions (idem, FCMM, UFOs...) MOPPC017 M. Kuhn
- Emittance Control
- Aperture Measurements MOPPD062, S. Redaelli: THPPR039, W. Hofle

Not properly addressed (3)

- UFOs... dust particles THPPP086, T. Baer: TUPPR092, B. Goddard:
- R2E and Single Event Upsets(SEUs)

THPPP006, M. Brugger

- Abort gap cleaning and Beam dump
MOPPD058, E. Gianfelica-Wendt: MOPPD078, L. Lari:
- Beam feedback; orbit, tune, chromaticity
THPPR039, W. Hofle
- Vacuum and electron cloud

MOPPR063, R. Veraci: WEPPD015 G. Brezliozi: WEPPD018, G. Lanza: WEPPR075, C. Dominguez:

Not properly addressed (4)

- Collimation system

MOPPD079, M. Cauchi: MOPPD080, L.Lari:
MOPPD081, W. Weterings:TUPPR097, G. Valentino

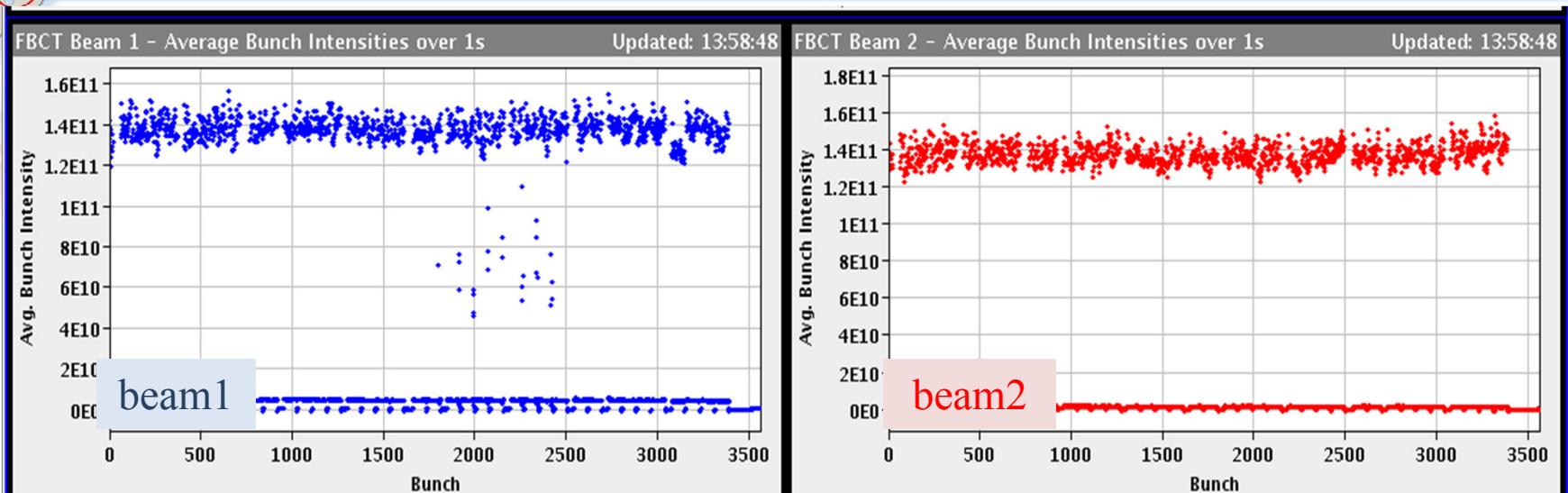
- LHeC

TUPPR076, F. Zimmermann: TUPPR075, S. Russenschuck:TUPPC037, M.
Kitterer: TUPPC038/039, L. Thompson: WEPPR076, F. Zimmermann:

- LEP3

TUPPR078, F. Zimmermann

Recent Example (2 days ago)



Plot shows the intensity of each bunch in each beam sometime after the start of collisions:

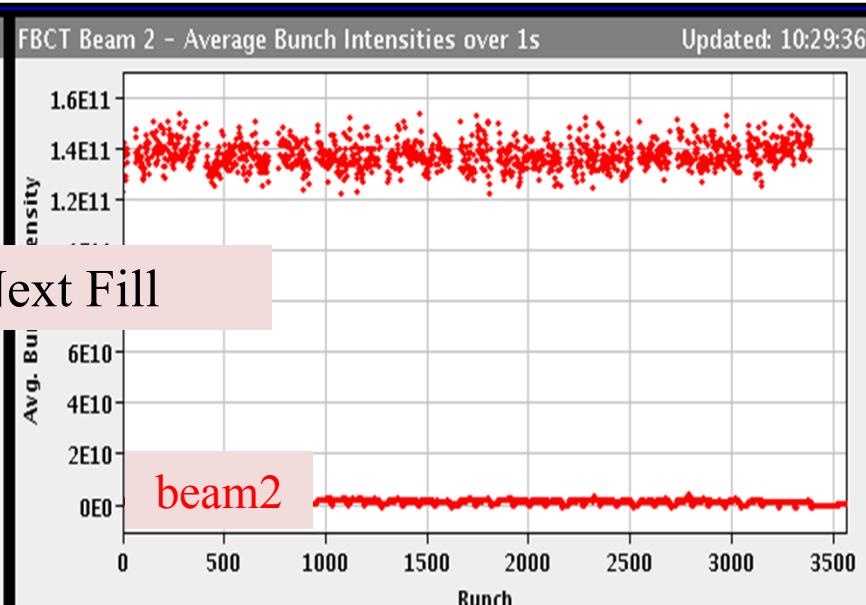
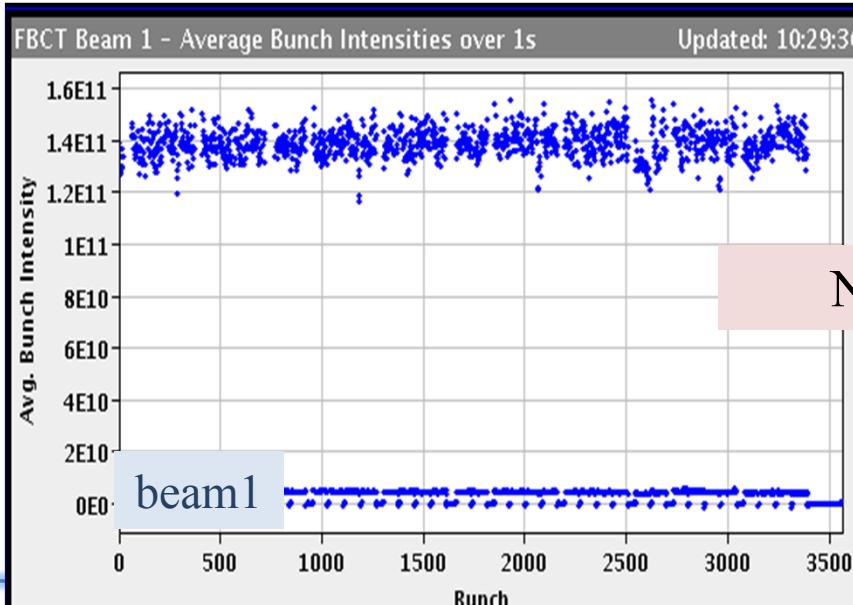
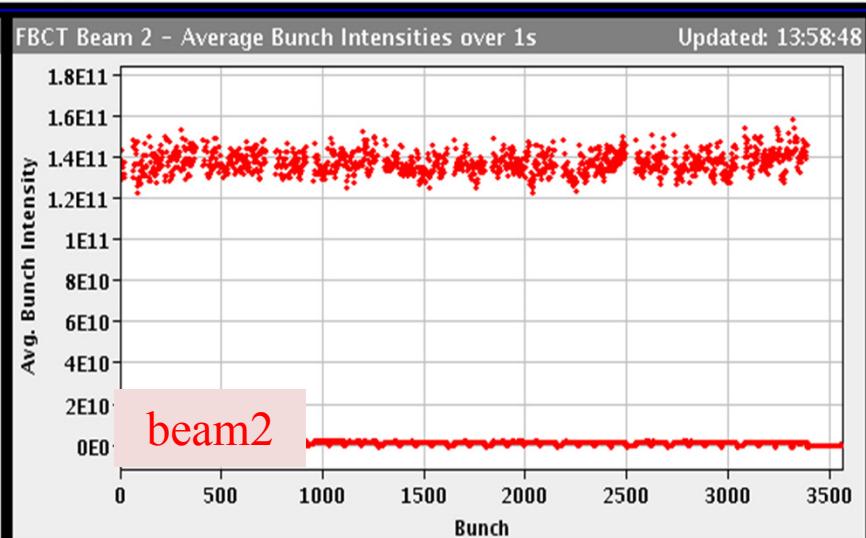
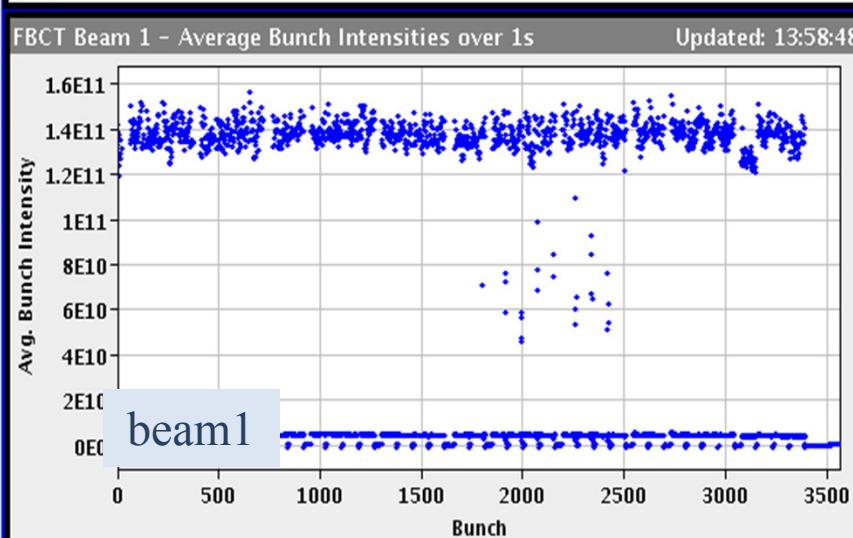
Several tens of bunches in beam 1 have decayed in intensity close to the limit to dump the beam

No effect on beam 2 bunches

The decaying bunches are the ones which only «collide» (separated collisions) in LHCb

For the next fill we decide to use a different bunch distribution where much fewer bunches «collide» only in LHCb

Recent Example (2 days ago)

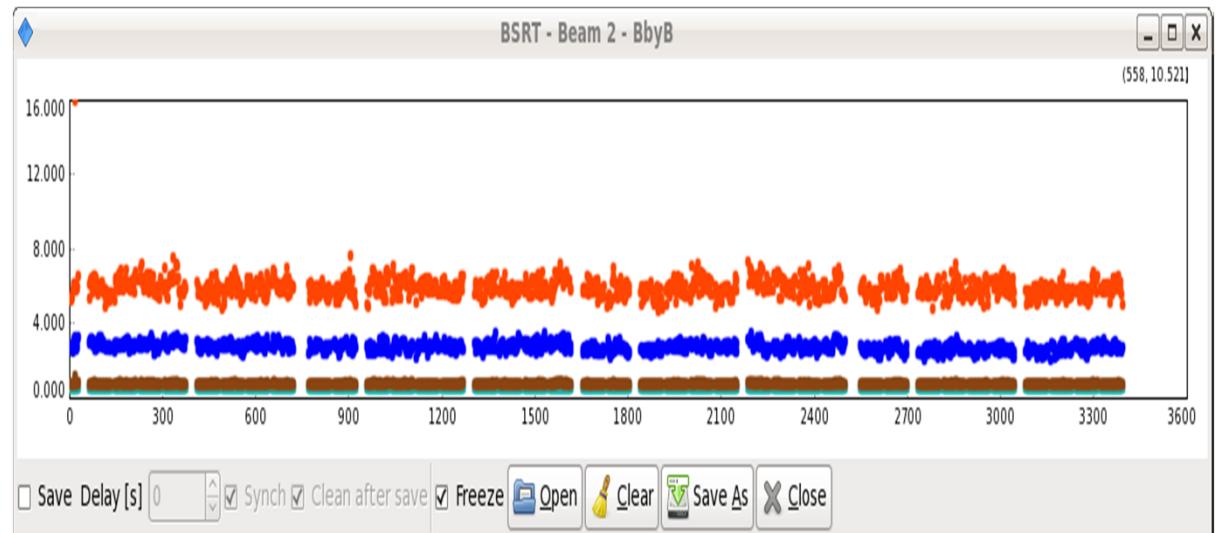


Emittance Measurements (BSRT)

emittances of beam 2

bunches: the healthy one

Red/blue are Horiz and vert

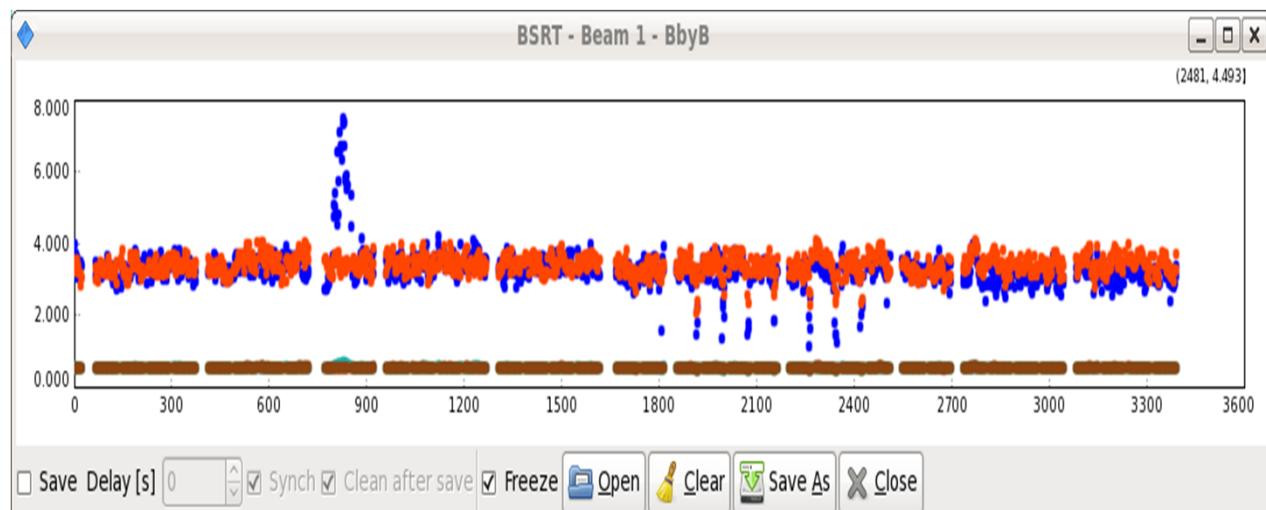


emittances of beam 1

bunches:

preliminary observation:

- the bunches that lose intensity have much lower emittances

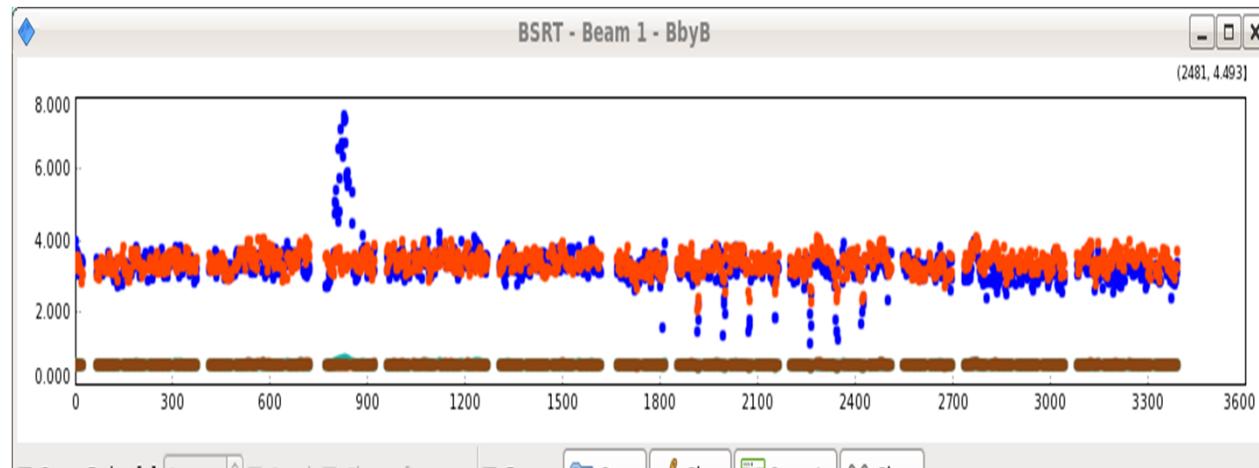
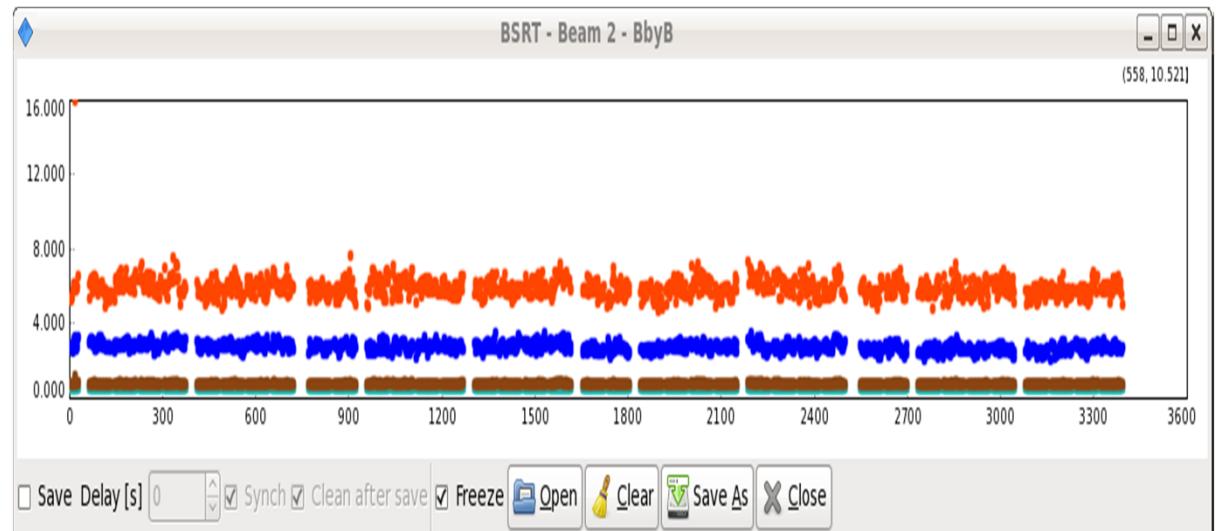


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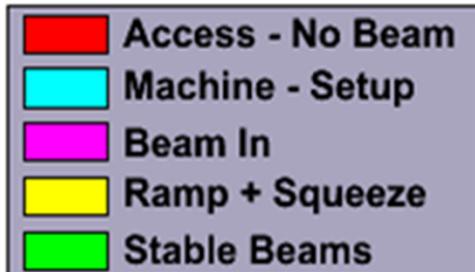
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?Preferential losses of particles with high betatron amplitudes

?? Sort of resonant extraction on 3rd order resonance

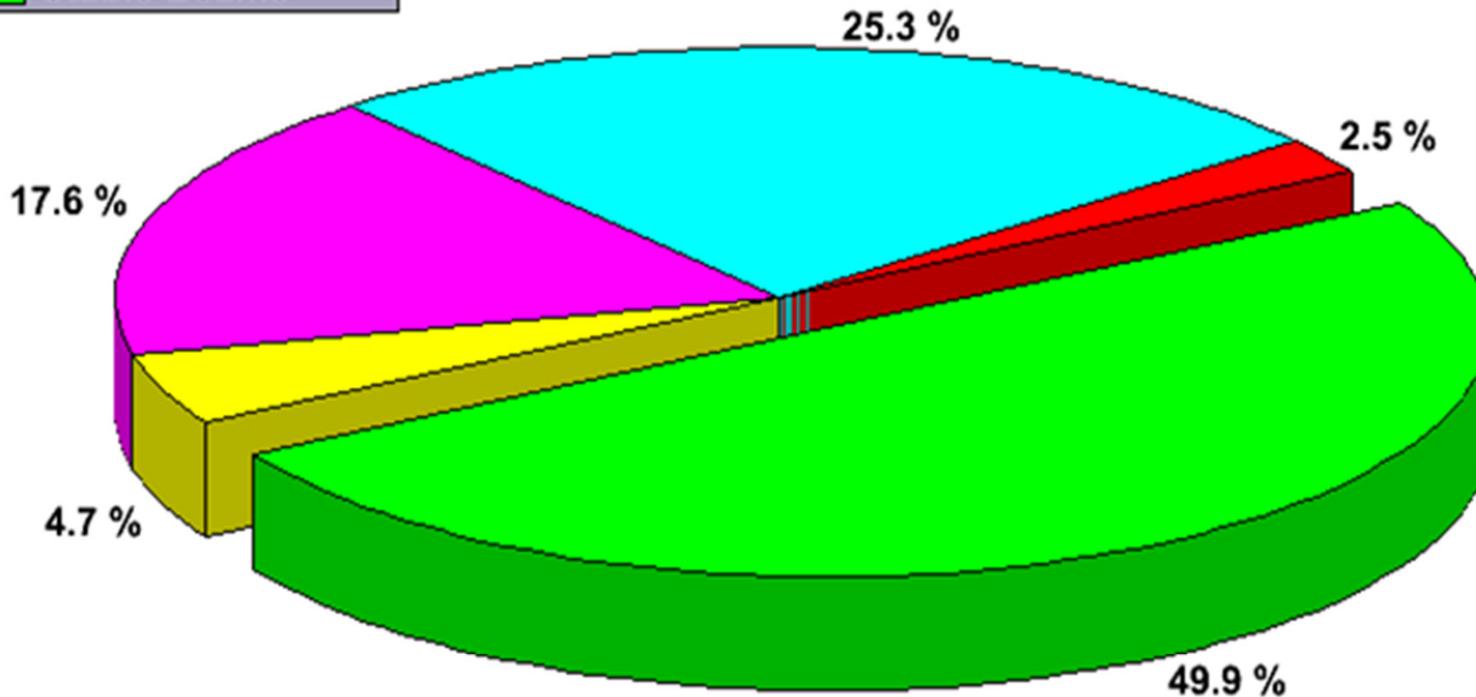
LHC Efficiency: Last 10 fills



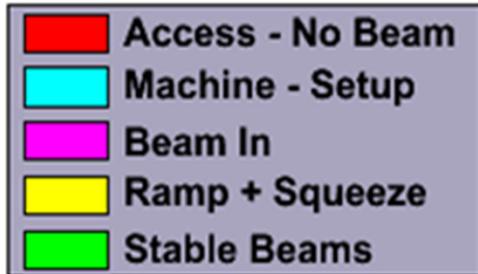
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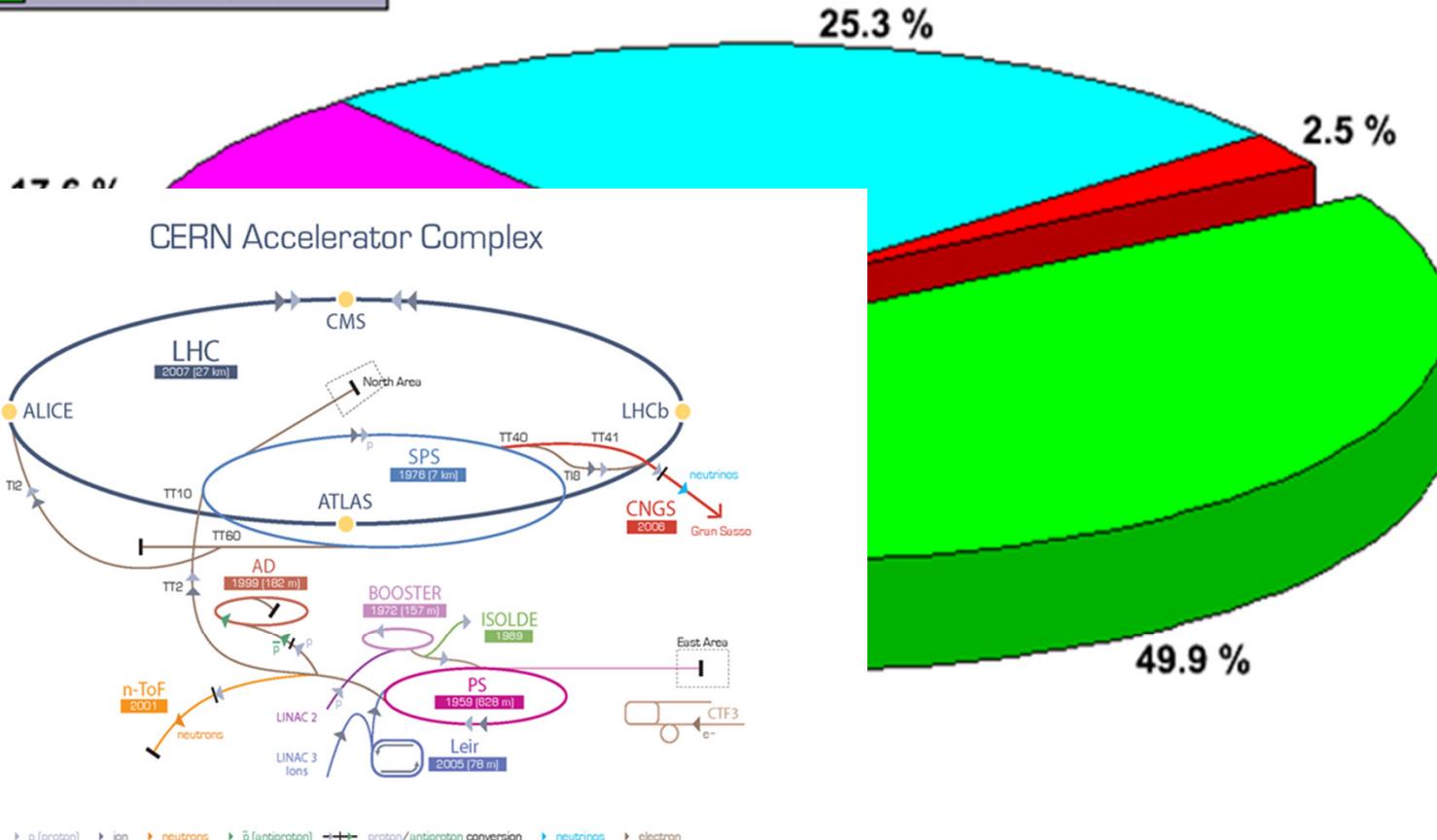
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► p [proton] ► ion ► neutrons ► \bar{p} [antiproton] ←→ proton/antiproton conversion ► neutrinos ► electron

LHC Large Hadron Collider SPS Super Proton Synchrotron PS Proton Synchrotron

AD Antiproton Decelerator CTF3 Cic Test Facility CNGS Cern Neutrinos to Gran Sasso ISOLDE Isotope Separator OnLine DEvice
LEIR Low Energy Ion Ring LINAC LiNar ACcelerator n-ToF Neutrons Time Of Flight

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- The performance of the LHC is due to many hundreds of engineers and physicists working at CERN and our collaborating institutes
- The operation from the control room is carried out by
 - Machine coordinators (week to week)
 - Engineers-in-Charge and operators (shift to shift)
 - All under the capable leadership of the Operations group leader Mike Lamont

*** THPPP018, J. Wenninger: for the LHC operations group

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Thank you for your attention