# Status of UA9

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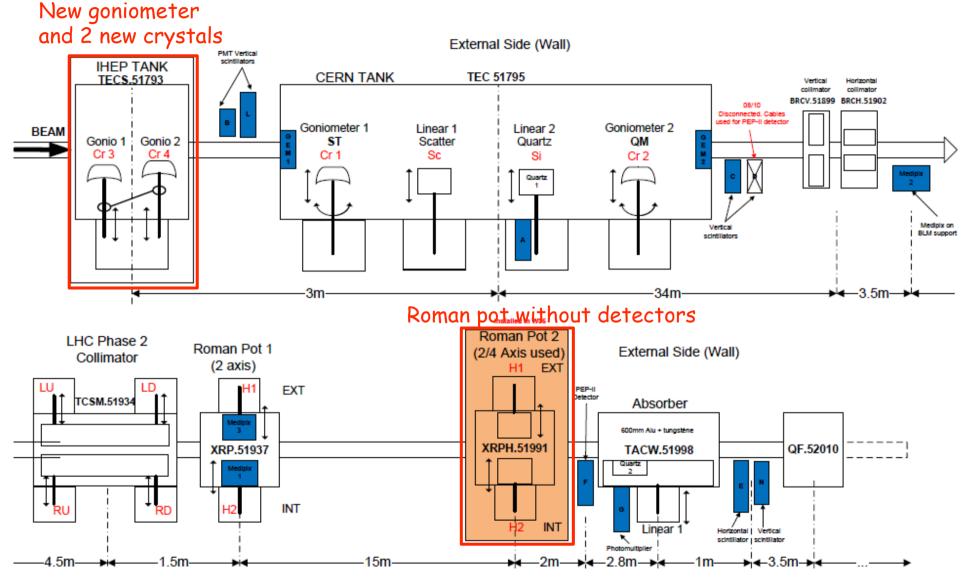
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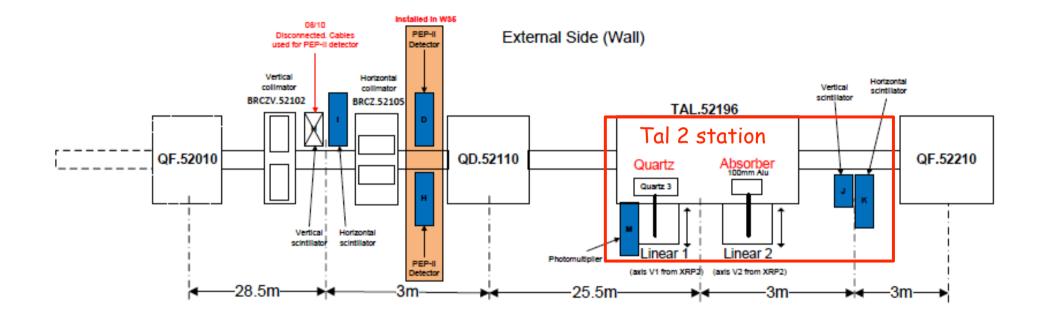
#### November 2009: plans and requests of UA9 to the SPSC No. 94

- Dedicated runs in the SPS and in the North Area also during 2010
  - SPS: 5 full days of dedicated operation in storage mode at 120 GeV/c
  - North Area: 5 full weeks of dedicated operation in H8 with a micro-beam
- Additional hardware installation in the SPS
  - The IHEP goniometer with two new crystals
  - Roman pot 2 with medipix
  - New station in the high dispersive area of the SPS after the crystal-collimation set (upstream of QF5-22) containing
    - Aluminum stopper
    - Cherencov in vacuum
    - The aim is to detect the collimation leakage and the diffractive events

# UA9 device in 2010 (1/2)



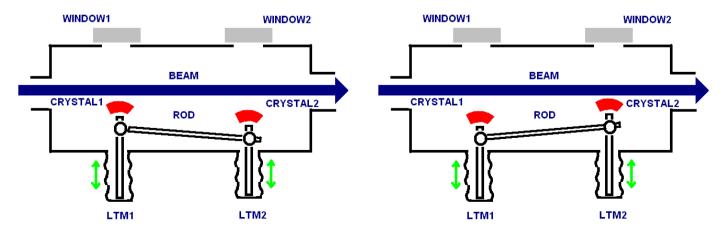
### UA9 device in 2010 (2/2)



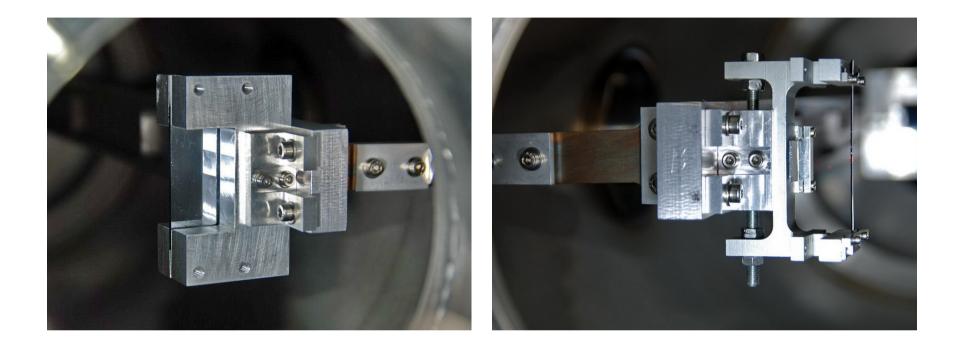
# The IHEP goniometer



- Installed upstream of the RD22 tank
- It supports two new crystals
- Angular resolution ± 10 µrad

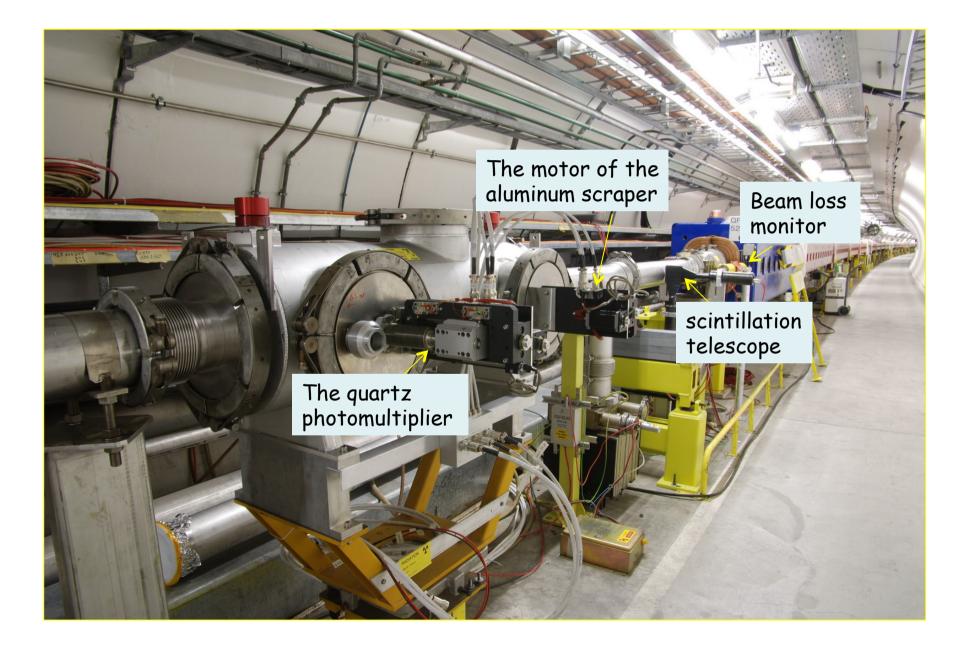


### The two new crystals



- Quasimosaic crystal supported by a large frame to avoid loss of large amplitude particles
- Strip crystal supported by a large bending frame to avoid loss of large amplitude particles

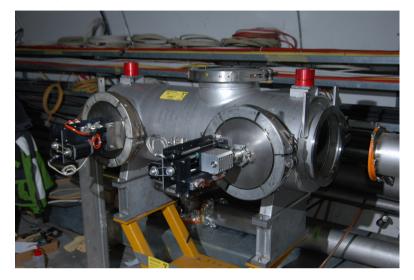
# The TAL 2 in the missing magnet half-cell

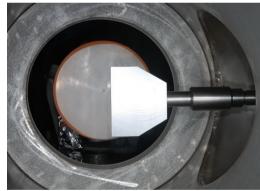


## The TAL2 in the dispersive area

- The TAL 2 is installed in the dispersive area of the missing magnet, just down stream of the absorber-TAL
- It should intercept
  - halo not absorbed by the crystal collimation system
  - Off-momentum particles produced in the crystal

- The measurement is based on the scanning of the beam peripheral
- The observable is
  - Either the spray rate produced in a aluminum scraper
  - Or the spray rate measured by the Cherenkov quartz





#### Aluminum scraper

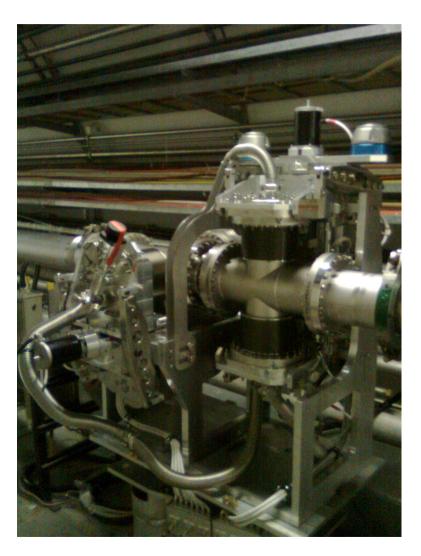


#### Quartz Cherenkov

# The Roman pot 2

#### RP2 setup

- Very close to TAL, better position to see channeled beam!
- No detectors yet
- Place to install 4 Medipix (2 Horiz and 2 Vert.)
- Relevant to measure channeled beam direction in conjunction with the RP1 (from centroids)

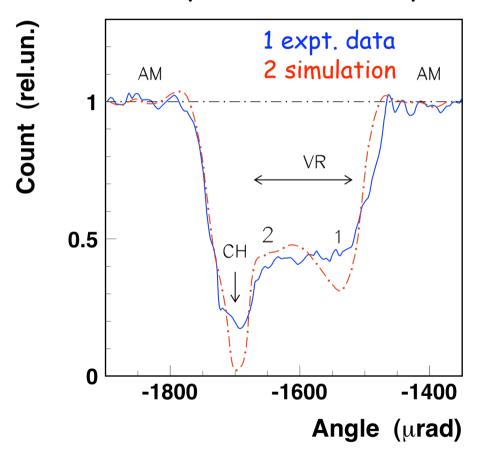


# UA9 summary results of the 2010 MDs

- Runs already undertaken in the SPS and in the North Area
  - SPS: 3 days of dedicated operation in storage mode at 120 GeV/c (efficiency 70%)
  - North Area: 2 weeks of dedicated operation in H8 with a micro-beam
- Crystal collimation works very well based on *channeling process*
  - Optimal crystal alignment easily detected and achieved
- Collimation leakage in amorphous orientation larger than in channeling
  - Collimation leakage rate reduced by more than a factor of 5 at the TAL2 in the dispersive location (sextant 5, position 22)
- Nuclear loss rate (including diffractive) strongly depressed
  - In channeling versus amorphous mode : × 16 in multi-turn (SPS)

# Analysis of the 2009 results

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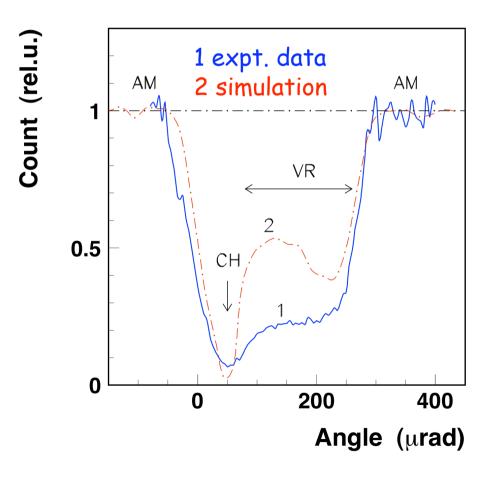
- Crystal no. 1 (strip)
- Loss reduction in channeling mode (× 5)
  - smaller than in MonteCarlo simulation (× 36)
- Deflection angle and loss rate depression varying from scan to scan: alignment errors induced by
  - vertical torsion of the crystal
  - inaccuracy of the Goniometer

Deflection efficiency for crystal 1 and 2 :  $(75\pm4)\%$  and  $(85\pm5)\%$ 

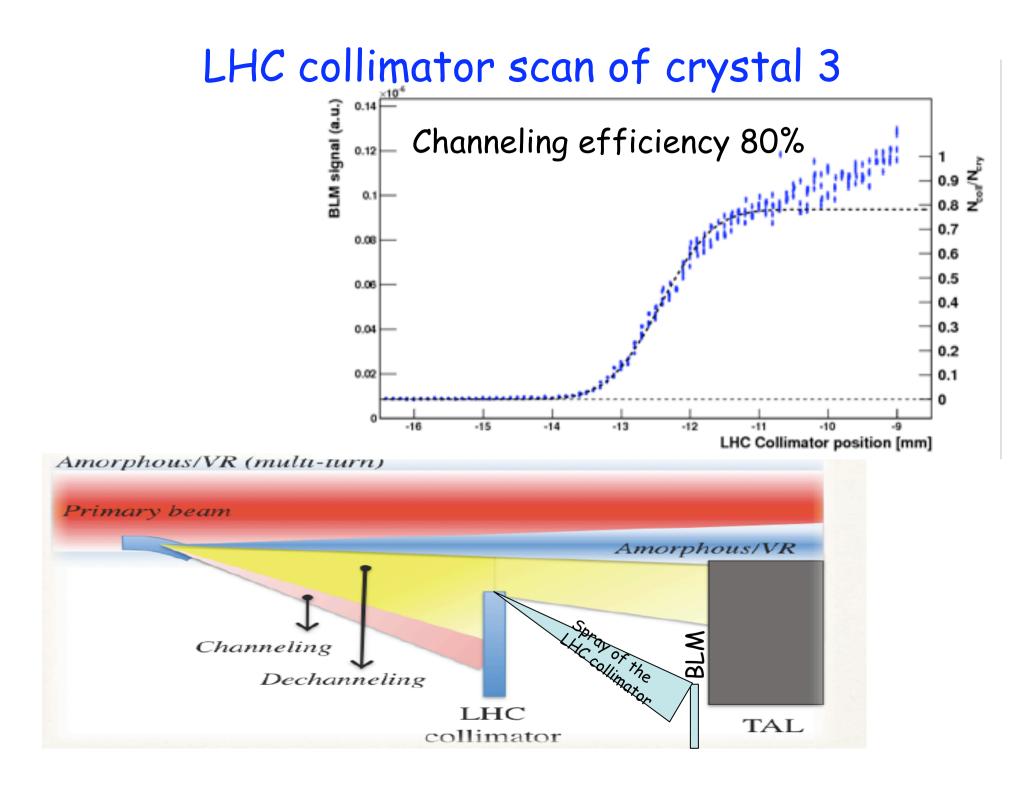
# Results in 2010: angular scan of crystal 3

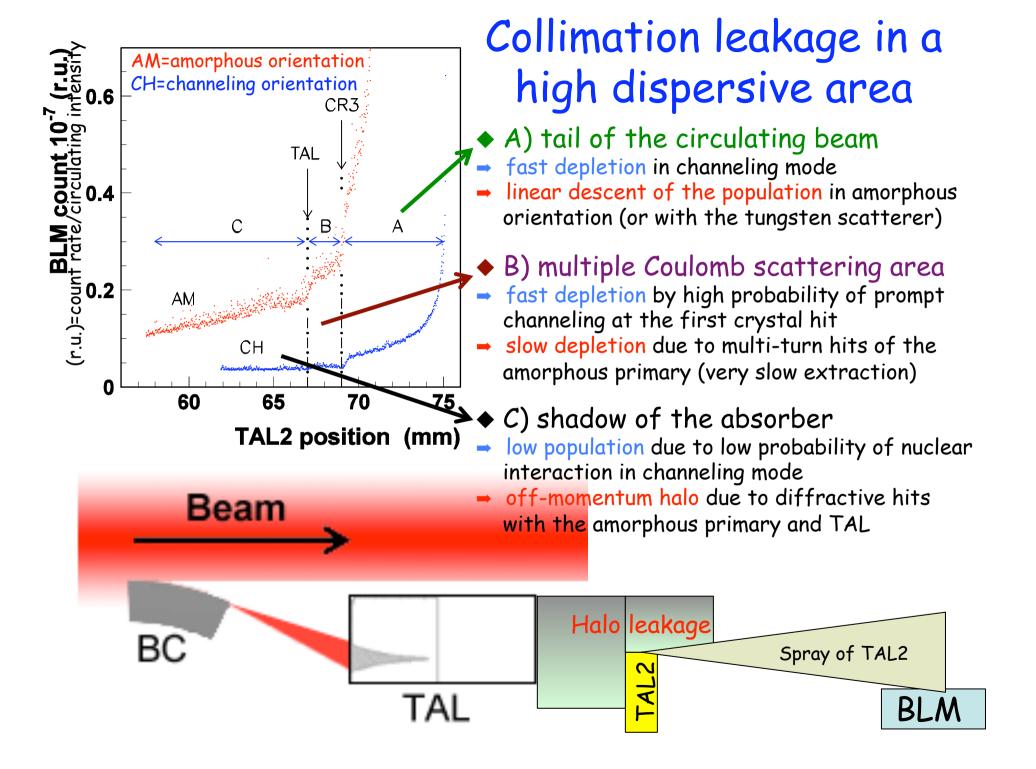
### Crystal no. 3 (quasimosaic)

- with a small residual torsion
- operated by the IHEP high quality goniometer

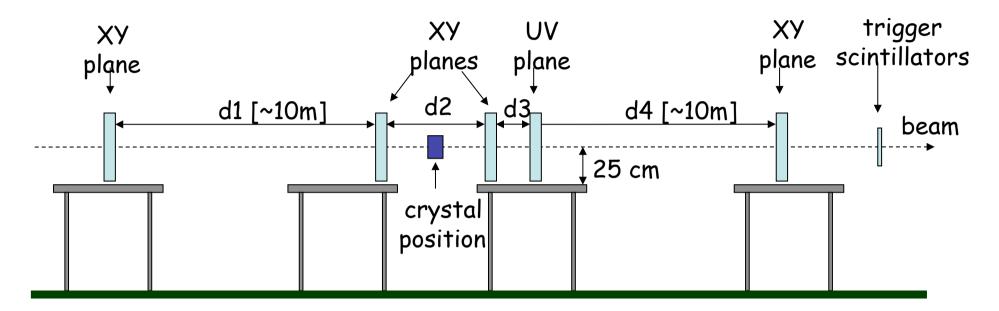


- Loss reduction in channeling mode (× 16)
  - smaller than in MonteCarlo simulation (× 33)
  - larger than in crystal 1 (× 5)
- Small variations of the deflection angle in different scans [better control of the alignment errors]
- Why such an improvement ?
  - Lower vertical torsion of the crystal
  - Smaller inaccuracy of the Goniometer
- Loss depression in VR mode with respect to MonteCarlo simulation still under investigation

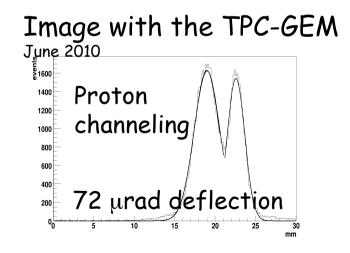




# Sep 2010 H8 telescopes



- 5 planes altogether (10 silicon strip sensors) each plane provides 2 co-ordinates: XY or UV
- UV plane = XY plane rotated through 45° (resolves ambiguities for multiple hits / trigger)
- 65 m downstream: TPC- GEM and Medipix (fast scan) + Planar GEM



### Si strip detector



#### > CMS LHC Si strip readout system

 Provided by Imperial College group
DAQ, calibration, raw data and recorded

Tested in H8 in June one telescope working suitable for UA9 physics investigation

# What next?

- Complete the runs in 2010 (pending request of one additional shift of 8 h to partly compensate the two UA9 shifts used to fill LHC)
- Main goals
  - Improve the estimate of the collimation efficiency
  - Improve loss map detection in the dispersive area
  - Test the remaining crystals
  - Add one or two Medipix in the Roman pot 2
  - Test with IONS Pb<sub>82</sub>
- Extension of the UA9 apparatus in the 2011 winter shutdown
  - Replace gonios 1 and 2 with more accurate short goniometers (suited for LHC)
  - Complete the beam loss detectors (a coincidence telescope everywhere)
  - Fill the RP2 with 4 medipix and 2 fiber hodoscopes
  - Add SPS collimators and loss detectors in 2 more areas to introduce betatronic aperture restrictions.

# Beam request for 2011

- In the SPS 6 full days (1 more than in 2010)
- Main goals
  - Complete the assessment of crystal collimation for p beams
  - Extend the findings with IONS Pb<sub>82</sub>
- In H8 5 weeks
  - Test of new crystals in view of using them in LHC
  - Test goniometers to be used in LHC
  - Extend to IONS our finding on single-pass loss produced during the crystal traversal

# Publications in 2010

- Observation of channeling and volume reflection in bent crystals for highenergy negative particles Physics Letters B 681 (2009) 233-236
- First observation of multiple volume reflection by different planes in one bent silicon crystal for high-energy protons Physics Letters B 682 (2009) 274-277
- Multiple volume reflections of high-energy protons in a sequence of bent silicon crystals assisted by volume capture Physics Letters B 688 (2010) 284-288
- Probability of inelastic nuclear interactions of high-energy protons in a bent crystal Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B 268 (2010) 2655-2659
- *IPAC10 (INT. CONF. ACC. PART. 2010)* 
  - CRYSTAL COLLIMATION EFFICIENCY MEASURED WITH THE SPS UA9 EXPERIMENT
  - UA9 BEAM LOSS MONITOR OPERATION AND DATA ANALYSIS
  - MEASUREMENT OF NUCLEAR REACTION RATES IN CRYSTALS USING THE CERN-SPS NORTH AREA TEST BEAMS
  - UA9 INSTRUMENTATION AND DETECTORS IN THE CERN-SPS
  - MANIPULATION OF NEGATIVELY CHARGED BEAMS VIA COHERENT EFFECTS IN BENT CRYSTALS

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# 2011 road-map for a test in LHC

- Crystals in preparation at PNPI and INFN-Ferrara to be tested in H8
- Goniometer in preparation with and industrial partnership with CINEL, to be tested in H8
- Special instrumentation [loss detectors and mini-Roman pots] in preparation at CERN with the help of INFN and Imperial College to be tested at the SPS
- Layout and simulations under investigation at CERN

Parameters	Obtained in 2009	Obtained in 2010	Required for LHC
Channeling efficiency, %	75	80	90-95
Nuclear loss reduction	5	16 - 20	20 - 30
Goniometer angular accuracy, µrad	30 - 40	10	1 - 2
Crystal bend angle, $\mu$ rad	140 - 150	150 - 170	50 - 100
Crystal torsion, µrad	20 - 30	5 - 10	0.5 - 1
Amorphous layer on crystal	About zero	About zero	About zero
Collimation leakage reduction	-	5	Should be analysed