



Experts' support for capacity building

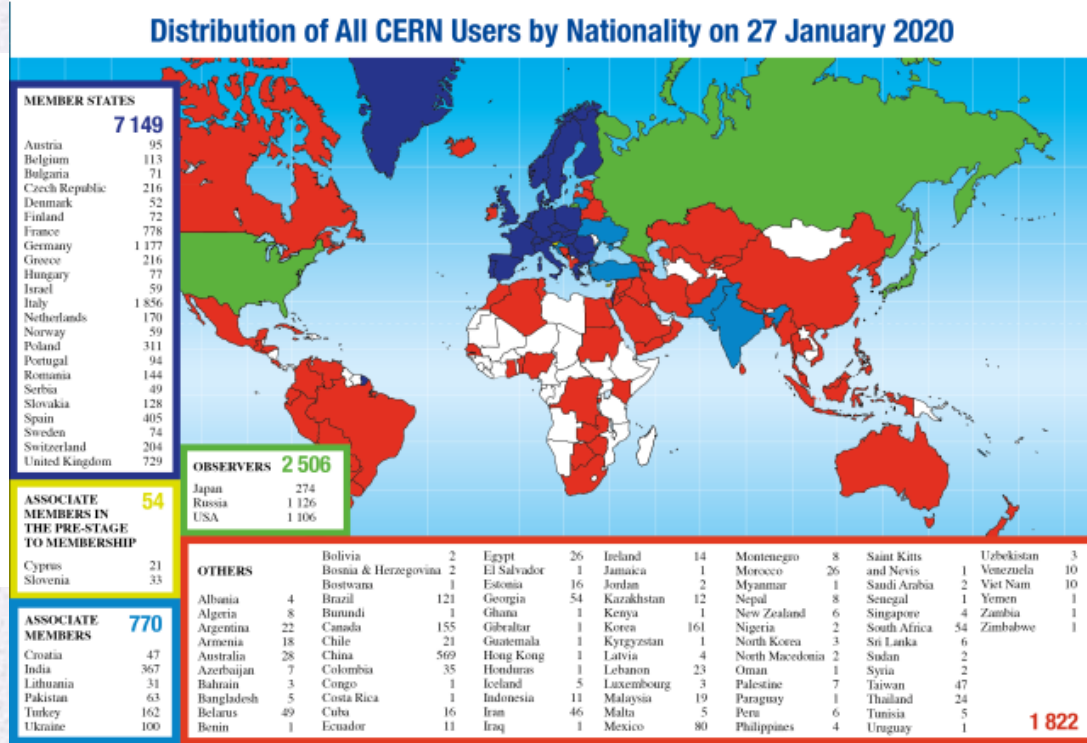
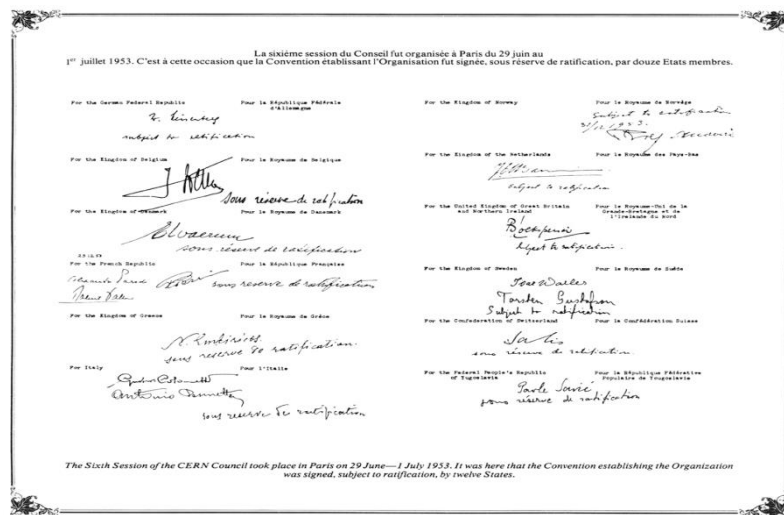
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Some history



- Greece among the 12 founding member states of CERN (1954), with large particle physics community (216 users @ CERN experiments in 2020)
- Since last two decades, continuous effort to build a community in Accelerator Physics and technology for Greece.



Greek Students in Accelerator fields

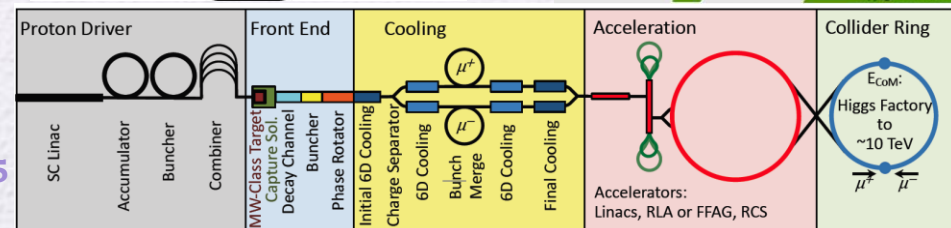
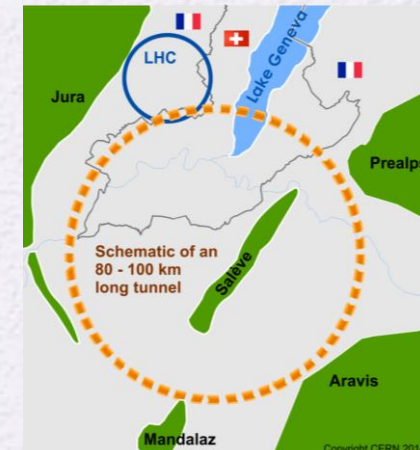
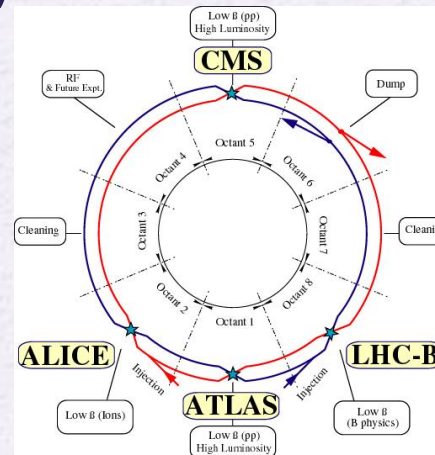
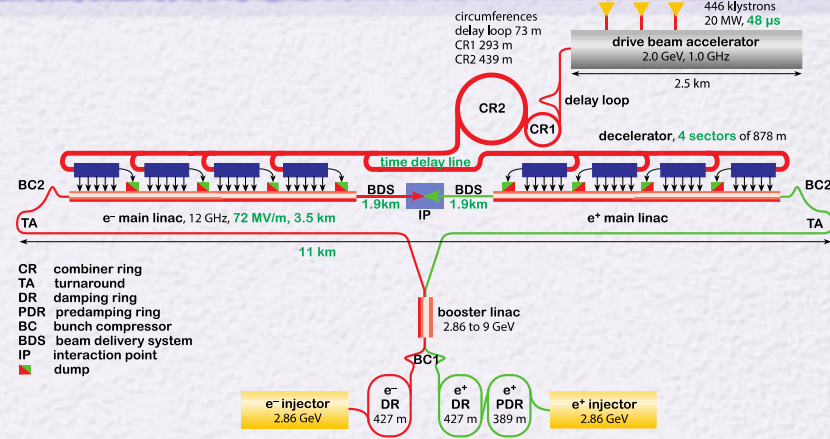


- Several **technical** (MSc level) and **doctoral studentships** @ CERN, some partially supported by public grants (e.g. IKY), in beam physics, accelerator operation and technology. A **non-exhaustive list**
 - Michalis Zampetakis (**Un. of Crete**), 2018-2022, IBS and space-charge combined with cooling in hadron and lepton rings.
 - Kostas Paraschou (**Un. of Thessaloniki**), 2018-2022, Impact of incoherent e-cloud effects in LHC
 - Natalia Triantafyllou (Un. of Liverpool), 2018-2022, Emittance growth due to crab-cavity noise
 - Tirsi Prebibaj (Un. of Frankfurt), 2020 – 2023, Optics and resonance correction for high brightness beams
 - Dr. Sophia Kostoglou (**National Technical University of Athens**), 2017-2020, Noise effects and their impact on the performance of LHC and HL-LHC.
 - Dr. Kyriacos Skoufaris (**Un. of Crete**), 2016-2020 Symplectic integration schemes, beam-beam effects in LHC and HL-LHC.
 - Dr. Foteini Asvesta (**National Technical University of Athens**), 2015 - 2020, Space-charge effects in the LHC injectors.
 - Dr. Stephania Papadopoulou (**University of Crete**), Lattice design for low emittance rings, halo formation in high-brightness lepton and hadron beams.
 - Dr. Theodoros Argyropoulos (**National Technical University of Athens**), 2010 - 2014, Longitudinal dynamics of harmonic RF cavities
 - Dr. Eirini Koukovini Platia, (EPFL), 2011 – 2015, Coherent effects and instabilities in low emittance rings
 - Dr. Fanouria Antoniou (**National Technical University of Athens**), 2009 – 2015, Intrabeam Scattering dominated ultra-low emittance rings
- Most of them continued as **post-doctoral fellows** at CERN and elsewhere
- Five hired as **staff applied physicists** at CERN

Accelerator studies and projects



- CERN injector operation and LHC injector upgrade (LIU)
- LHC design and operation
- High-luminosity LHC
- Compact Linear Collider (CTF3)
- Low Emittance Rings (Synchrotron Light Sources,...)
- Future Circular Collider
- Muon Collider



Brightness studies in the PS Booster



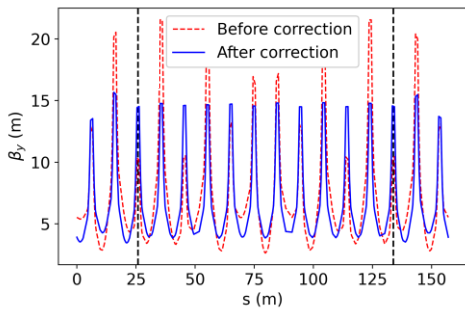
Optimization of the **beam brightness** for low energy machines (PSB).

$$B = \frac{N_b}{0.5(\epsilon_x + \epsilon_y)}$$

Beam intensity (number of particles per bunch)

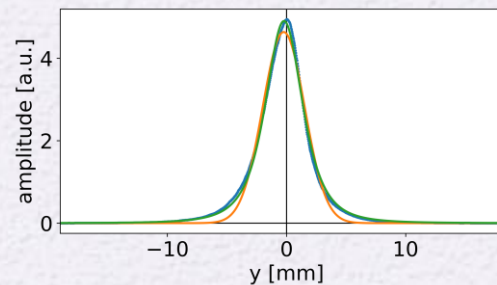
Beam transverse emittances (particle density in the phase space)

Correction of the optics perturbations



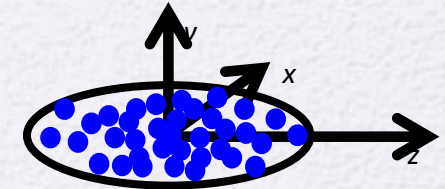
- Particles **oscillate** around the accelerator (machine optics).
- Errors in the magnetic fields can enhance these oscillations → **beam losses**.
- Goal is to bring oscillations back to acceptable levels (**optics correction**).

Improvements of the beam transverse particle distributions



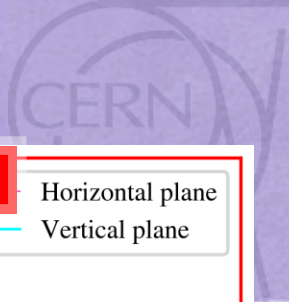
- The shape of the particle distributions is important for the emittances.
- Many factors degrade the particle profiles (**beam tails**) → **emittance growth**.
- Goal is to optimize and accurately reconstruct the beam profiles.

Mitigation of the effects caused by the self-interaction of the charged particles of the beam (space charge effects)



- Space charge effects can lead to many undesired effects (tune spread, resonance excitation, etc.).
- Combined with errors in the magnetic field errors can greatly limit the brightness (**emittance growth** and **beam losses**).

LHC & HL-LHC noise studies

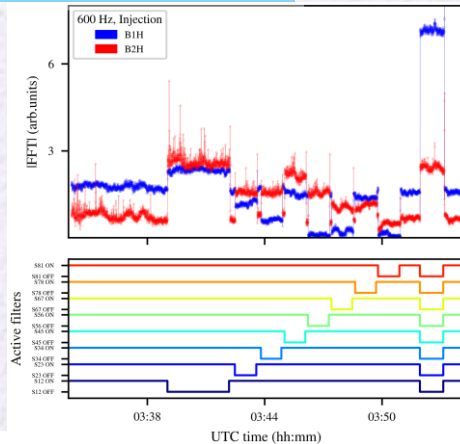


CHALLENGE: chasing the source of the $10^{-3} \sigma$ beam oscillations and its impact on beam lifetime.

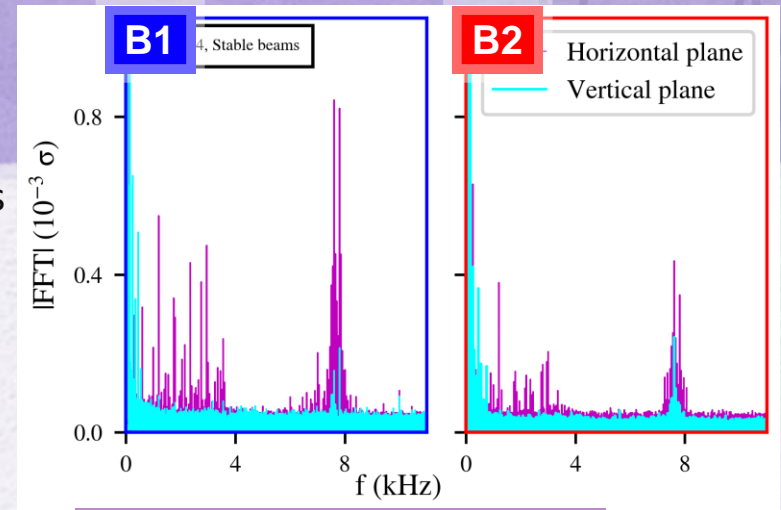
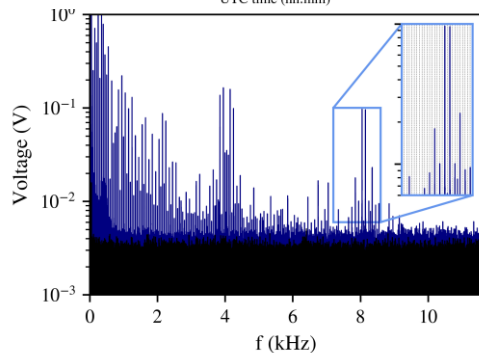
- 50 Hz harmonics on transverse beam spectrum.
- Harmonics of **Beam 1** x2 larger amplitudes than **Beam 2**.

Perturbation source

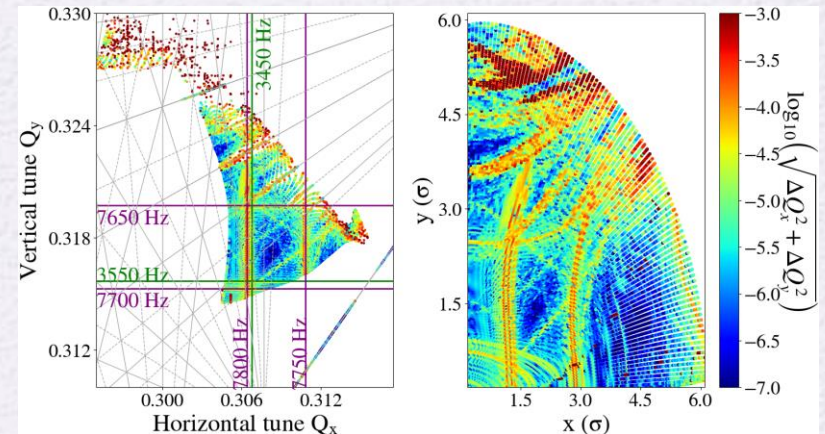
Power converters of main dipoles: tests with active filters



UPS voltage measurements, additional studies in Run 3



Impact on beam lifetime



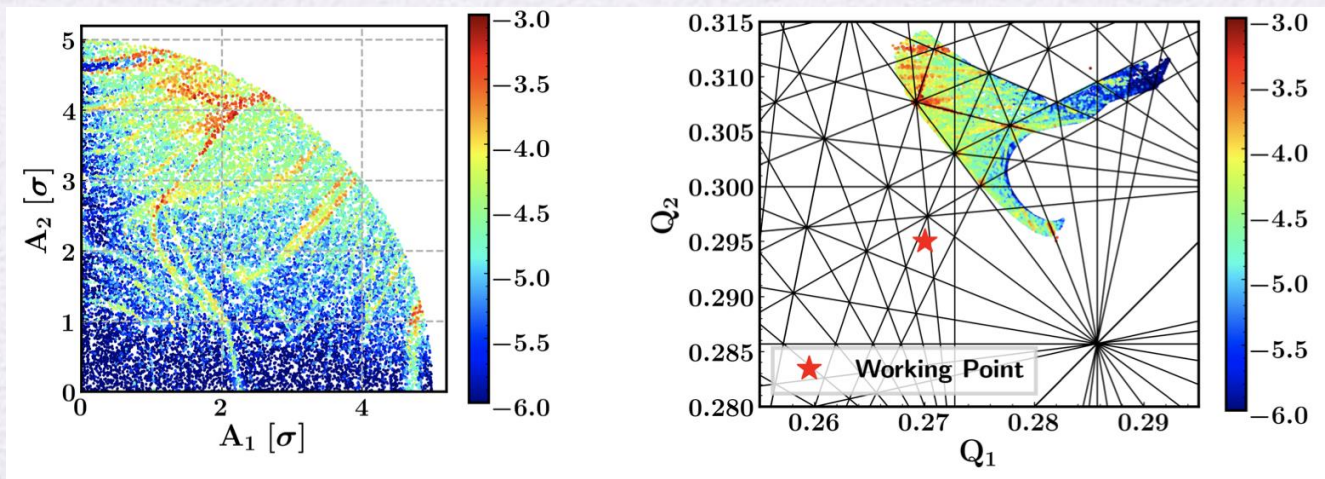
Single-particle tracking simulations:
22h beam lifetime for **Beam 1**
 and **27h** for **Beam 2**

e-cloud at LHC and HL-LHC: incoherent effects

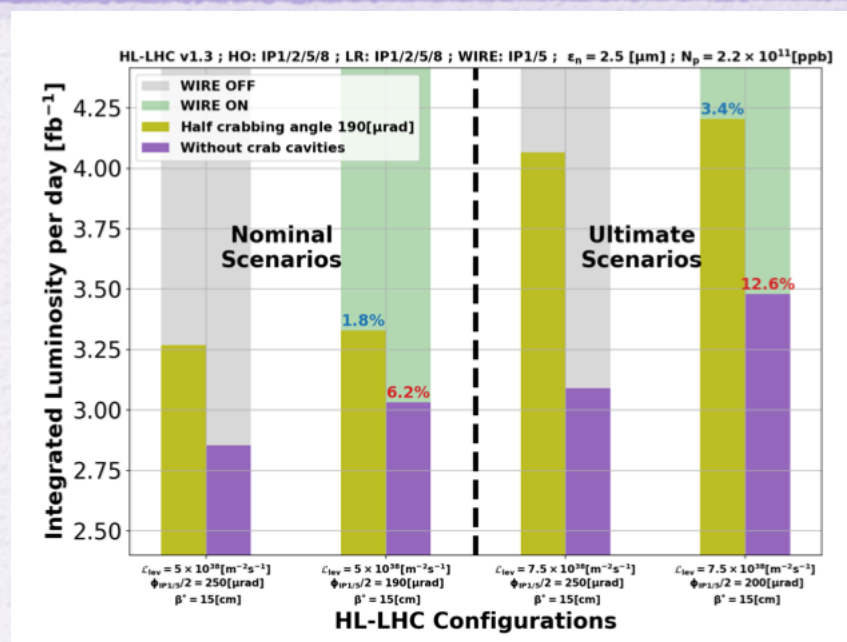
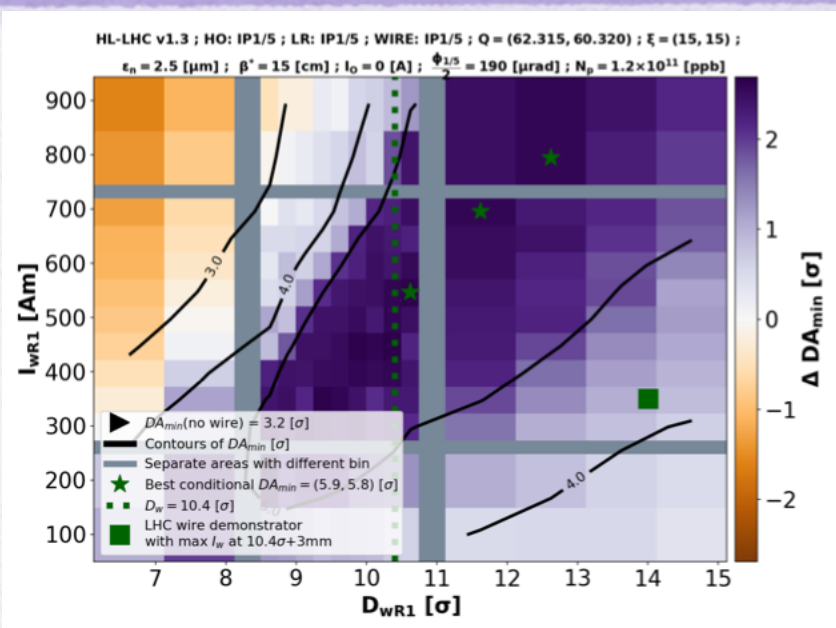


- LHC data shows slow beam degradation due to e-cloud at injection and collisions
- Develop **simulation framework for e-cloud effect** over the required long timescales (10M turns), including
 - **Theoretical framework**
 - **Tracking code**
 - **Software infrastructure to simulate and condition the electron pinches** and setup the simulation from the MAD-X description of the machine
- Presently capable of **simulating 10 M turns** (15 minutes of beam time) by exploiting computational power of GPUs

PhD of K. Paraschou



HL-LHC beam-beam wire compensation



CHALLENGE: Predict and optimize the future (HL-LHC) by

- taking into account Machine Protection constraints and
- minimizing complexity, saving commissioning time and maximize machine availability.

Collaboration agreements with Greek institutions for Accelerators

- Collaboration agreements signed for broad range of subjects of accelerator physics and technology
 - National Technical University of Athens
 - University of Crete
 - Aristotelian University of Thessaloniki



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Areas of accelerator expertise



- Accelerator and beam physics
- Accelerator operation
- Experimental areas – secondary beam lines
- Radio-Frequency systems design, including LLRF
- Accelerator controls
- Beam instrumentation and diagnostics
- Magnet design
- Cryogenics
- Power convertors and electronics

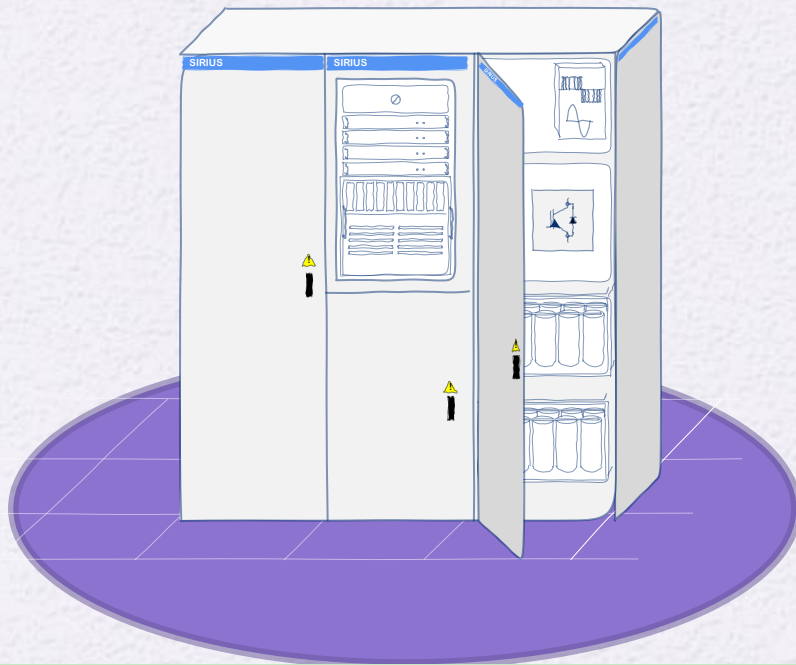
Electrical Power converters



Electrical power converters group

<https://videos.cern.ch/record/2688929>

- Electronic devices that **control the parameters of electrical current** (amplitude, frequency) to perform reproducible experiments
- At CERN the **precision** that is expected is in the order of 1 part per million.
- Approximately **5000 power converters** from 1kW to 60MW are operated across the complex



Precision of a power converter

It is equivalent to scoring an Ace (golf ball entering a hole with a single hit) from 20km far

Secondary beam lines for fixed target experiments



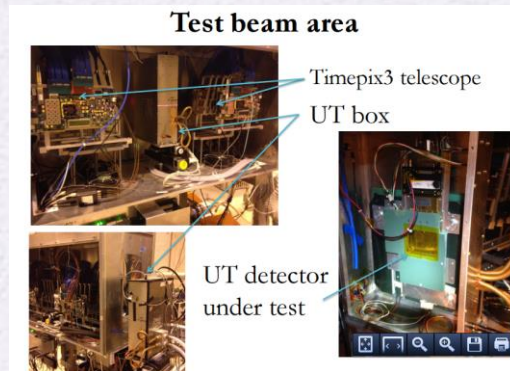
N. Charitonidis

- Fixed target experiments with secondary beams, e.g. NA48/COMPASS, NA61/SHINE, NA62, NA64, NA65



part of ATLAS detector waiting for beam in H8

Hadron + Electron beams, all Energies from 50 – 300 GeV

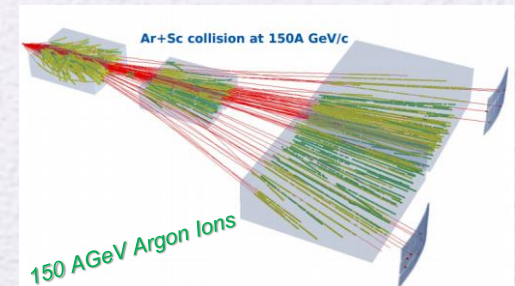


LHCb telescopes being tested in H8

180 GeV positive hadrons



CALICE calorimeter @ H2

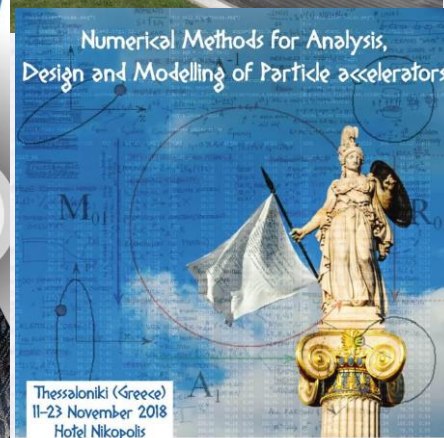


Ar+Sc @ 150A GeV @ H2 @ NA61 run

Education in Accelerator Physics and technology



- **Undergraduate courses on Accelerators**
 - NTUA, AUTH, UoC
- **MSc course in Accelerators @ AUTH (since 2020)**
- **Intermediate CERN Accelerator School (CAS) in Chios (2011)**
- **Advanced CAS in Thessaloniki (2018)**
- **Several students attended specialised accelerator schools (USPAS, LC school, JUAS)**



Summary



- Over last ~20 years **critical mass** of Greek accelerators scientists has been developed with a **large spectrum** of expertise in beam physics, accelerator design and technology
- Forms **solid base** which could be further enhanced with **targeted studies** in order to support design and operation of an **accelerator** for **Hadron Cancer Therapy** and Biomedical Research with Protons and Heavy Ions