

# Luminosity measurements of the LHC experiments

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# Motivation

$$\sigma = \frac{N}{\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}}$$

$\sigma$  - cross section of a process,  $N$  - seen events of the process,  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}$  - integrated luminosity

- Luminosity is key for:
  - experiment-independent evaluation of physics message (cross section),
  - experiment control (beam quality monitoring).
- Absolute accuracy is important:
  - challenging task with many sources of systematic uncertainties,
  - → in some cases dominates the systematic uncertainty on cross section determination.
- Last summary talk at LHCP in 2020 by O. Karacheban, see [HERE](#).
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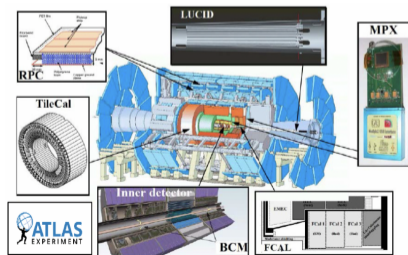
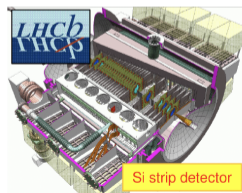
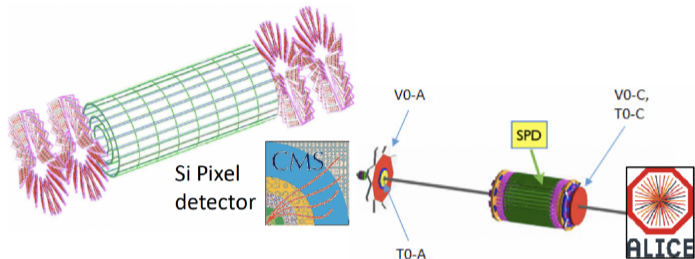
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- Integrated luminosity
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# Luminosity definition and measurement



## Luminosity definition

$$\mathcal{L} = \nu_{\text{rev}} N_1 N_2 \int \rho_1(x, y) \rho_2(x, y) dx dy$$

$\nu_{\text{rev}}$  - revolution frequency,  $N_i$  - bunch intensity,  $\rho_i$  - bunch density distribution in (x,y) plane

$$\int \rho_1(x, y) \rho_2(x, y) dx dy = \frac{1}{2\pi \Sigma_x \Sigma_y}$$

$\Sigma_x, \Sigma_y$  are the effective widths of the bunch overlap region in the two transverse directions (standard deviation if Gaussian).

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### ■ Luminosity accuracy:

- accuracy based on accelerator instrumentation  $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ ,
- ultimate accuracy used in physics analysis is based on dedicated calibration (vdM, BGI...).

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- We need a session where we can measure  $\mu_{\text{vis}}$ ,  $N_i$  and  $\Sigma_i$  simultaneously!

## Bunch intensity measurement

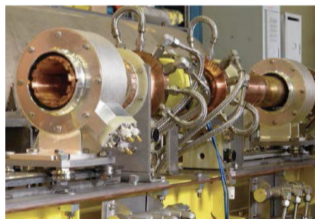
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# Bunch intensity measurement

- Provided by LHC via current transformers:
  - DC current transformer (DCCT)
    - total beam intensities,
  - fast beam current transformer (fBCT)
    - relative bunch intensities.



DCCT

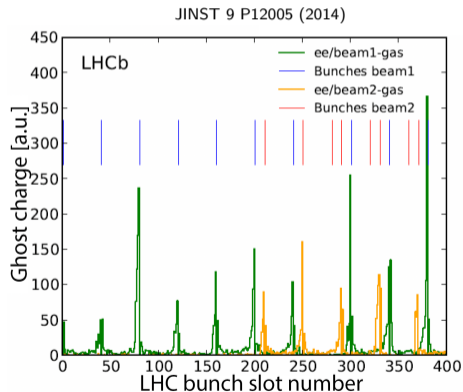


fBCT

- Currently, per-mil level uncertainties.

$$\mathcal{L} = \nu_{\text{rev}} \frac{N_1 N_2}{2\pi \Sigma_x \Sigma_y}$$

- Parasitic-charge correction:
  - ghost charge (LHC, LHCb),
  - satellite charge (LHC).



## Bunch overlap region measurement

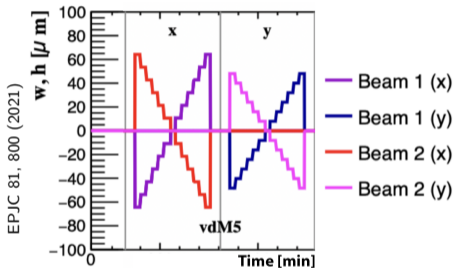
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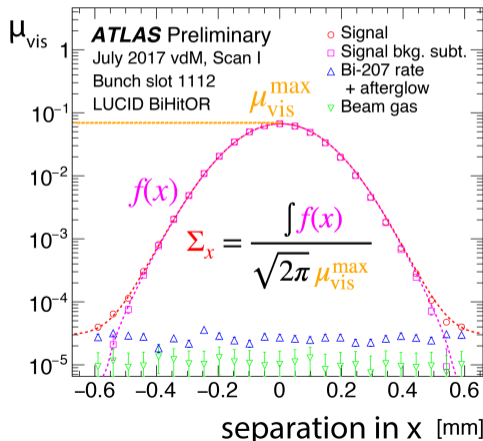
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- Dedicated sessions: van der Meer scans (all experiments), beam-gas imaging (LHCb).
- vdM: displaced beams move against each other in x and then in y direction.
- Factorization assumption applied

$$\rho(x, y) = \rho(x)\rho(y)$$



- Beam conditions (vdM vs. pp physics):
  - low pile-up ( $\sim 0.5$  vs. 30-60),
  - isolated bunches vs. bunch trains,
  - low luminosity ( $\sim 10^{30}$  vs.  $\sim 10^{34}$ ).

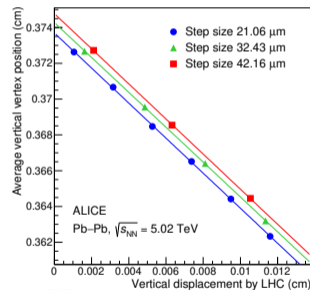
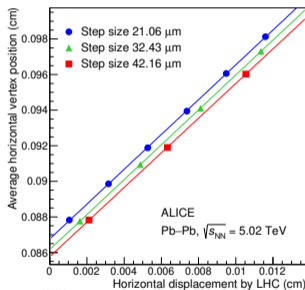
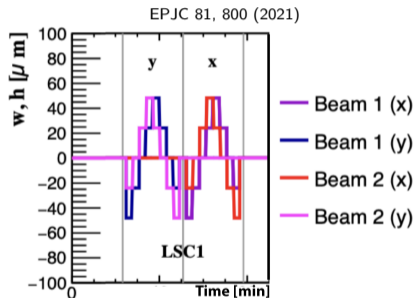


# Selected topics

# Length-scale calibration

- Measures the scale factor between nominal beam displacement to actual one.
- Measurement of vertex position while moving beams with fixed distance.

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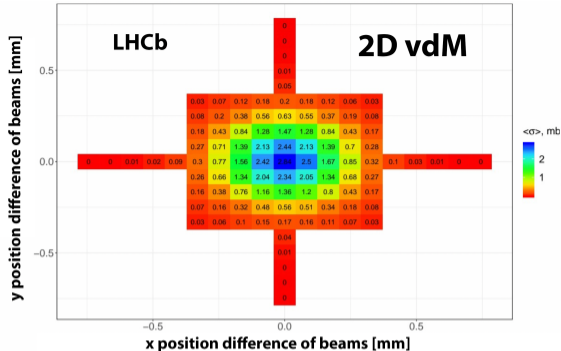
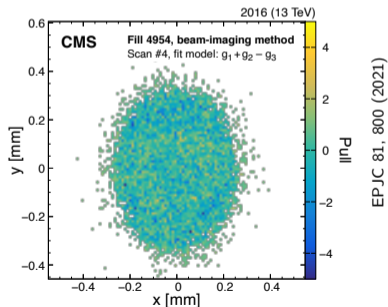


- Alternatively, beam-gas imaging can be used (large beam-gas vertex sample required).

## Non-factorisation

$$\rho(x, y) \neq \rho(x)\rho(y)$$

- Differs from bunch to bunch and in time. Effect up to  $\sim 5\%$  in Run 1.
- Beam tailoring in the LHC injection chain reduces this effect under 2%.

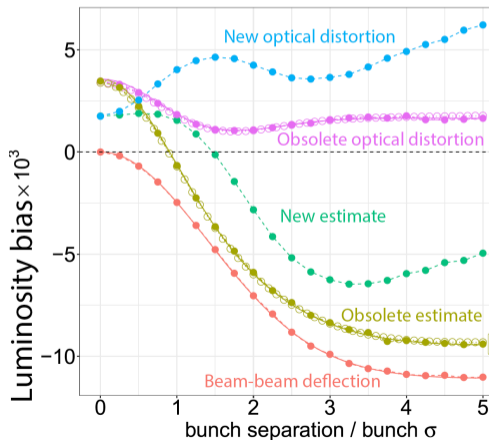
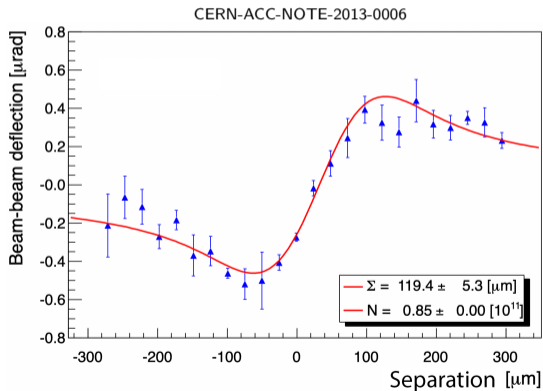


- ALICE, ATLAS: combined fit to the beam-separation dependence of the luminosity and of the luminous-region parameters.
- CMS: beam-beam imaging.
- LHCb: beam-gas imaging, 2D vdM (Run 3?).
- Uncertainty now tamed to 0.5 – 1% in Run 2.



# Beam-beam interaction

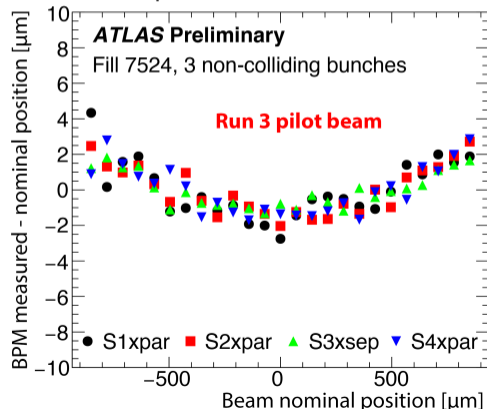
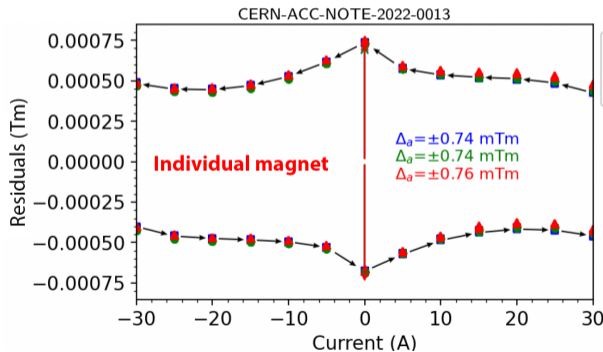
- Orbit and shape of colliding bunches distorted by mutual electromagnetic interaction.
- **Beam-beam deflection**: change in beam separation; estimated analytically.
- **Optical distortion**: change in beam profile; estimated with simulations.
- **Beam-beam deflection** + **optical distortion** = **full effect**; is estimated with simulation.



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# Magnetic non-linearities

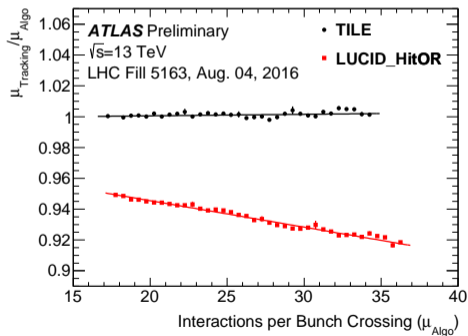
- Difference between expected and measured positions with Beam-Position Monitors.
- Points to non-linear behaviour of steering magnets  $\rightarrow$  hysteresis.
- Impact on calibration precision is several per mil, currently being assessed.
- Precision calibration of BPMs could cure this problem.
- Effect studied with dedicated tests on Run 3 pilot run  $\rightarrow$  reproducible within that session.



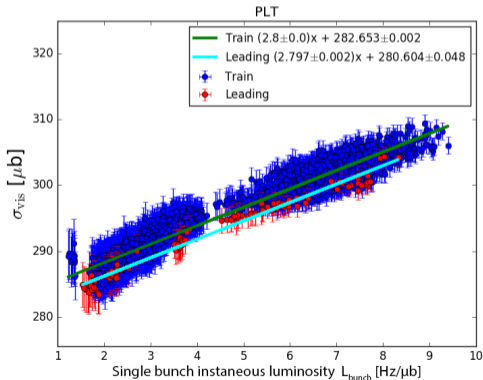
# Calibration transfer to physics conditions

- vdM condition: low pile-up and isolated bunches → correction needed for ATLAS/CMS.
- ATLAS: calibration transfer based on track-counting luminosity.
- CMS: calibration transfer based on emittance scans (short vdM in physics conditions).
- Typical effect up to 10% and uncertainty up to 1%.

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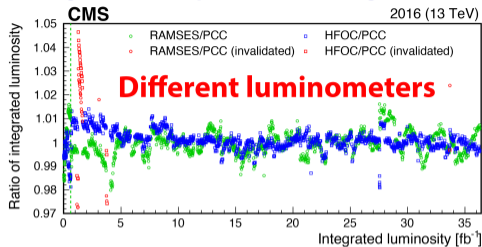


CMS Preliminary 2018, Fill 7139,  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV

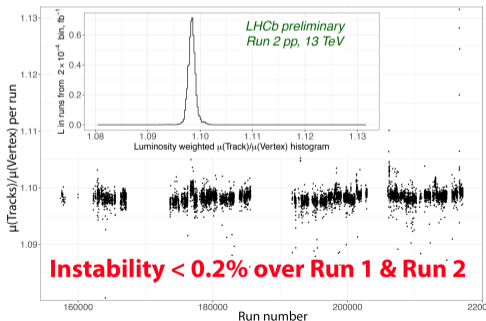
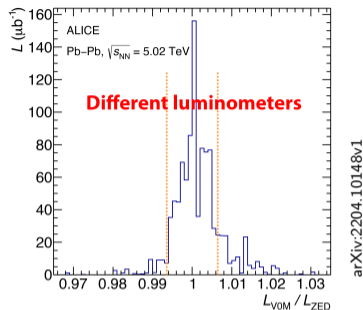


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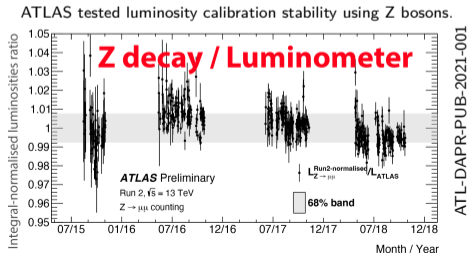
# Stability and reproducibility over time



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# Summary of achieved accuracy

## Summary: achieved uncertainties in pp collisions

$\sigma_{\mathcal{L}}/\mathcal{L}[\%]$ for pp at 8 TeV		
	2012	Run 1
ALICE	2.4	
ATLAS	1.9	
CMS	2.6	
LHCb		<b>1.16</b>

$\sigma_{\mathcal{L}}/\mathcal{L}[\%]$ for pp at 2.76 TeV	
	2013
ALICE	3.8
ATLAS	3.1
CMS	3.7
LHCb	2.2

←Run 1

$\sigma_{\mathcal{L}}/\mathcal{L}[\%]$ for pp at 13 TeV					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	Run 2
ALICE	3.4	1.9	2.7	2.1	1.6
ATLAS	<i>2.1</i>		2.4	2.0	1.7
ATLAS low- $\mu$			<i>1.5</i>		
CMS	1.6	1.2	2.3	2.5	1.6
CMS low- $\mu$			<i>1.7</i>		
LHCb			2.0		

$\sigma_{\mathcal{L}}/\mathcal{L}[\%]$ for pp at 5 TeV		
	2015	2017
ALICE	2.3	2.1
ATLAS	<i>1.5</i>	
CMS	2.3	1.9
LHCb	2.0	

←Run 2

Preliminary in italics. Numbers without hypertext link are internal.

# Summary: achieved uncertainties in heavy-ion collisions

- Larger uncertainties:
  - no time to tune vdM setup,
  - larger ghost charge,
  - large satellite charge,
  - statistical limitations.
- Smaller uncertainties:
  - beam-beam effects,
  - calibration transfer.

$\sigma_{\mathcal{L}}/\mathcal{L}[\%]$ for p-Pb/Pb-p at 5 TeV	
	2013
ALICE	3.7/3.4
ATLAS	2.7
CMS	3.6/3.4
LHCb	2.3/2.5

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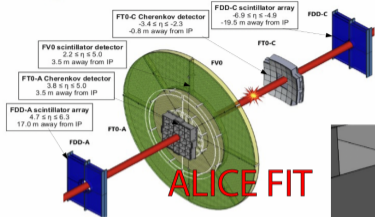
$\sigma_{\mathcal{L}}/\mathcal{L}[\%]$ for Pb-Pb at 2.76 TeV		
	2010	2011
ALICE	5.8	4.2

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ATLAS	2.4
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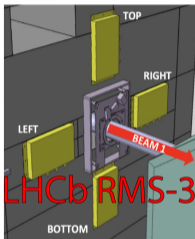
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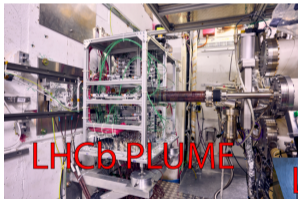
# Run 3



ALICE FIT



LHCb RMS-3



LHCb PLUME



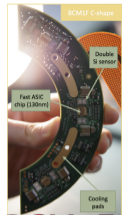
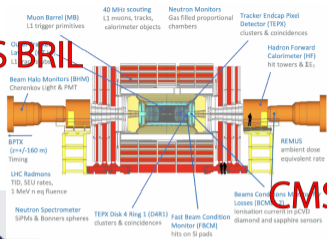
LHCb SMOG2



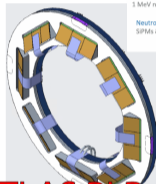
LHCb BCM

# HL-LHC

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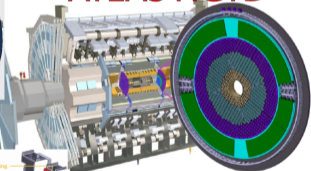


CMS BCM1F



ATLAS PLR

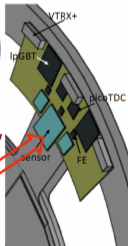
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## ATLAS BCM'

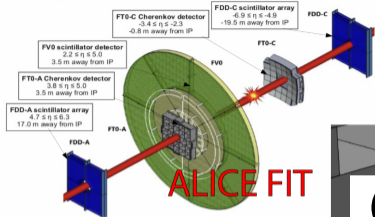


ATLAS LUCID3





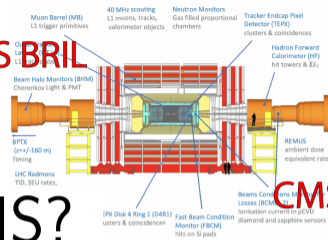
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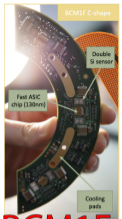
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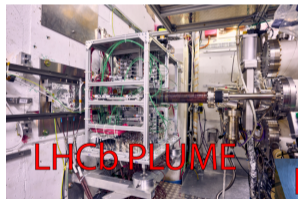
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# QUESTIONS?



## LHCb PLUME



## LHCb RMS-3



## LHCb SMOG2

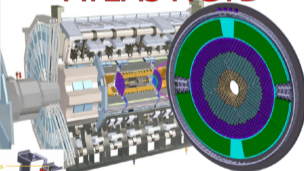


## LHCb BCM



## ATLAS PLR

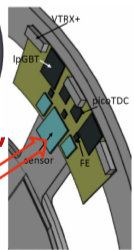
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## ATLAS LUCID3



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## Luminosity measurements

ALICE: pp 13 TeV 2016-2018: [ALICE-PUBLIC-2021-005](#).

ALICE: Pb–Pb 5 TeV 2015/2018: [arXiv:2204.10148v1](#).

ATLAS: low-pileup pp 5/13 TeV: [ATLAS-CONF-2020-023](#).

ATLAS: pp via Z-boson 13 TeV: [ATL-DAPR-PUB-2021-001](#).

CMS: pp 13 TeV 2015/2016: [EPJC 81, 800 \(2021\)](#).

CMS: pp 5 TeV 2017: [CMS-PAS-LUM-19-001 \(2021\)](#)

CMS: Pb–Pb 5 TeV 2018: [CMS-PAS-LUM-18-001 \(2022\)](#).

## Detector upgrades

ALICE FIT: [CERN-LHCC-2013-019](#).

CMS BCM1F: [CMS-PHO-GEN-2022-001](#).

CMS BRIL: [CERN-LHCC-2021-008 \(2021\)](#).

ATLAS BCM': internal communication.

ATLAS HGTD: [CERN-LHCC-2020-007](#).

also poster by Fatima Bendebba at LHCP22.

ATLAS LUCID-3: [LHCC-2021-016](#).

also poster by Jack Lindon at LHCP22.

ATLAS PLR: internal communication.

LHCb BCM: internal communication.

LHCb PLUME: [CERN-LHCC-2021-002](#).

LHCb RMS-3: [CERN-Poster-2021-1046](#).

LHCb SMOG2: [CERN-LHCC-2019-005](#).

# ATLAS uncertainties for pp 13 TeV (2015-2018)

Data sample	2015+16	2017	2018	Comb.
Integrated luminosity ( $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )	36.2	44.3	58.5	139.0
Total uncertainty ( $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )	0.8	1.0	1.2	2.4
Uncertainty contributions (%):				
DCCT calibration <sup>†</sup>	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
FBCT bunch-by-bunch fractions	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Ghost-charge correction*	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Satellite correction <sup>†</sup>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Scan curve fit model <sup>†</sup>	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4
Background subtraction	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Orbit-drift correction	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Beam position jitter <sup>†</sup>	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
Beam-beam effects*	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3
Emittance growth correction*	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Non-factorization effects*	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.4
Length-scale calibration	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2
ID length scale*	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Bunch-by-bunch $\sigma_{\text{vis}}$ consistency	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
Scan-to-scan reproducibility	0.5	1.2	0.6	0.5
Reference specific luminosity	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
Subtotal for absolute vdM calibration	1.1	1.5	1.2	-
Calibration transfer <sup>†</sup>	1.6	1.3	1.3	1.3
Afterglow and beam-halo subtraction*	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Long-term stability	0.7	1.3	0.8	0.6
Tracking efficiency time-dependence	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.2
Total uncertainty (%)	2.1	2.4	2.0	1.7

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# ALICE uncertainties for Pb–Pb 5 TeV (2015 and 2018)

Source	Uncertainty (%)
	ZED   V0M
Statistical	0.04   0.09
$h_{x0}h_{y0}$ consistency (V0M vs ZED)	0.13
Length-scale calibration	1
Non-factorisation	1.1
Bunch-to-bunch consistency	0.4   0.1
Scan-to-scan consistency	1
Background subtraction	0.8   0.5
Bunch intensity	0.8
Magnetic non-linearities	0.2
Orbit drift	0.15
Beam–beam deflection and distortion	0.1
Fitting scheme	0.4
Total of visible cross section	2.2   2.1
Stability and consistency	0.7
Total of luminosities	2.3   2.2

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# CMS uncertainties for pp 13 TeV (2015 and 2016)

Source	2015 [%]	2016 [%]	Corr
Normalization uncertainty			
<i>Bunch population</i>			
Ghost and satellite charge	0.1	0.1	Yes
Beam current normalization	0.2	0.2	Yes
<i>Beam position monitoring</i>			
Orbit drift	0.2	0.1	No
Residual differences	0.8	0.5	Yes
<i>Beam overlap description</i>			
Beam-beam effects	0.5	0.5	Yes
Length scale calibration	0.2	0.3	Yes
Transverse factorizability	0.5	0.5	Yes
<i>Result consistency</i>			
Other variations in $\sigma_{\text{vis}}$	0.6	0.3	No
Integration uncertainty			
<i>Out-of-time pileup corrections</i>			
Type 1 corrections	0.3	0.3	Yes
Type 2 corrections	0.1	0.3	Yes
<i>Detector performance</i>			
Cross-detector stability	0.6	0.5	No
Linearity	0.5	0.3	Yes
<i>Data acquisition</i>			
CMS deadtime	0.5	<0.1	No
Total normalization uncertainty	1.3	1.0	—
Total integration uncertainty	1.0	0.7	—
Total uncertainty	1.6	1.2	—

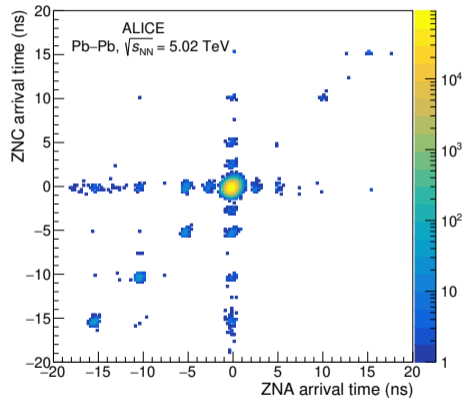
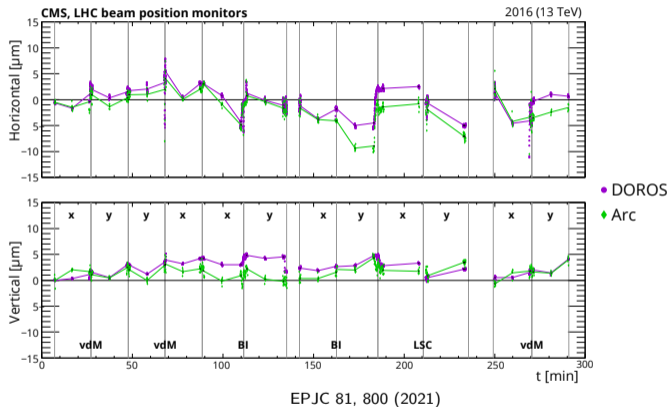
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# LHCb uncertainties for all collision systems in Run 1

Source	BGI	VDM	Correlated
Bunch population uncertainties (section 3)			
FBCT offset	0.04	0.05	yes
BPTX cross-check	n.a.	0.09	yes
DCCT population product	0.22	0.23	yes
Ghost charge	0.02	0.04	yes
Satellite charge	0.06	0.02	yes
Missing satellite measurements	n.a.	0.23	no
Rate measurement			
Background subtraction	0.20	0.14	yes
Ratio of observables <i>Track to Vertex</i>	0.20	n.a.	no
Efficiency of rate observables	negl.	0.09	no
Fit model		0.50	yes
VELO transverse scale		0.05	yes
BGI specific (section 6)			
Beam-beam resolution	0.93		no
Beam-gas resolution	0.55		no
Detector alignment	0.45		no
Measurement spread	0.54		no
Bunch length	0.05		no
Reconstruction efficiency	0.04		no
Pressure gradient	0.03		no
VDM specific (section 7)			
Length scale		0.50	no
Beam-beam effects		0.28	no
Fit bias		0.20	no
Linear correlation		0.08	no
Parameter assumptions		0.74	no
Constraints from BGI		0.30	yes
Scan variation and drift		0.32	no
Non-reproducibility		0.80	no
Statistical		0.04	no
Uncorrelated	1.31	1.32	
Correlated	0.59	0.65	

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# Orbit drift and beam-satellite event by event separation



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