

Vacuum simulations for the High Luminosity LHC

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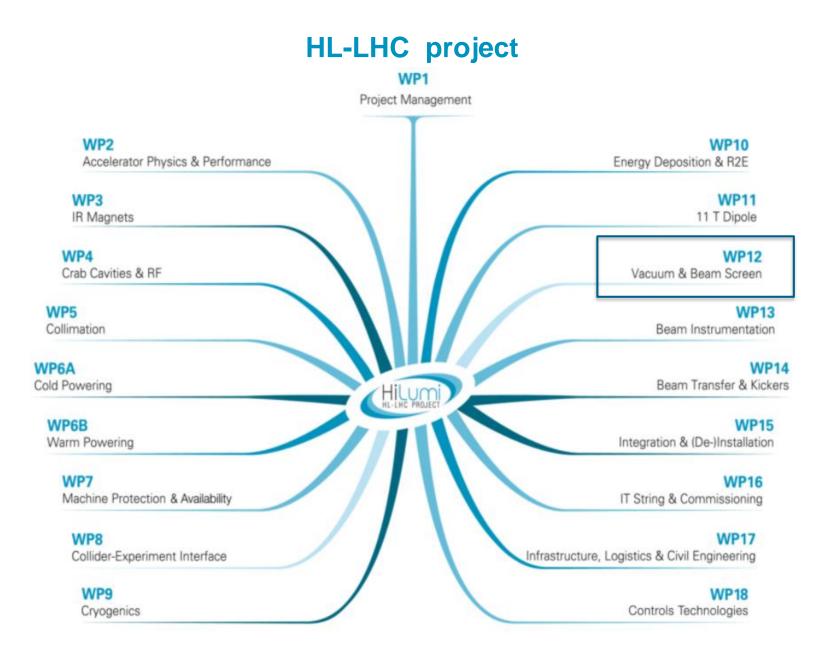
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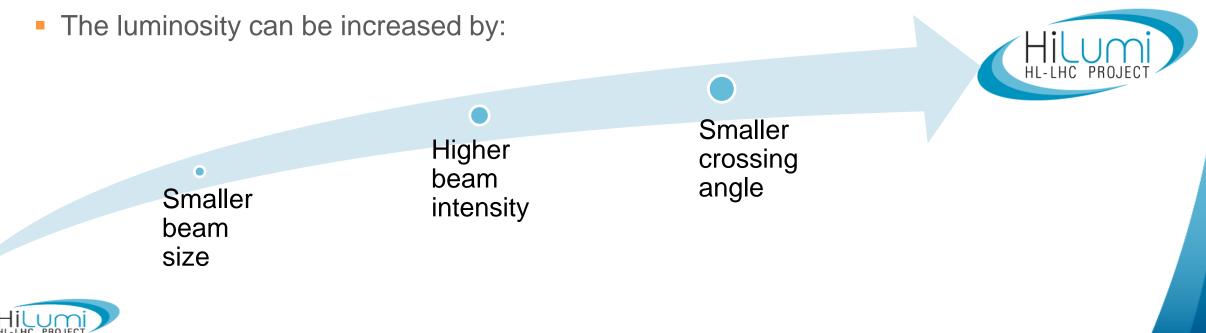






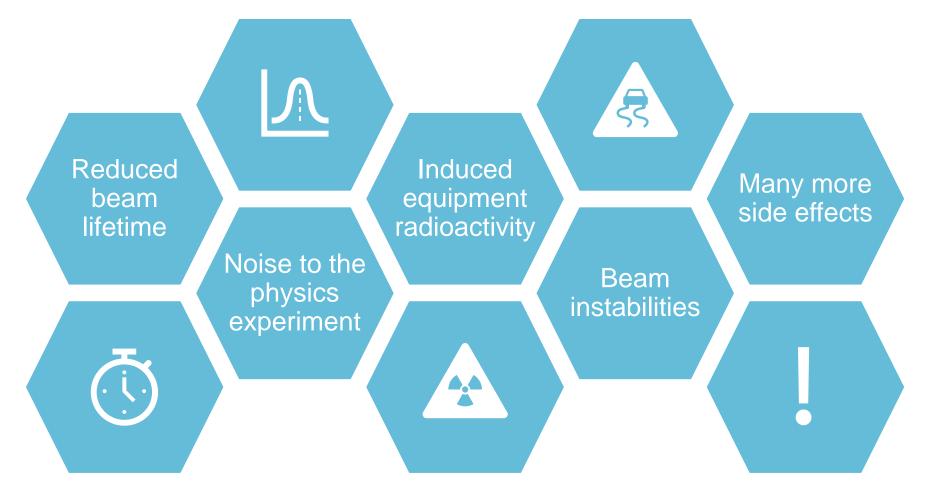
HL-LHC project

- The HL-LHC project aims to increase the luminosity of the current LHC machine
- The luminosity is the number of collision per second that take place in the machine
- More collisions mean more chances to observe very rare phisical phenomena



Why vacuum in particle accelerators

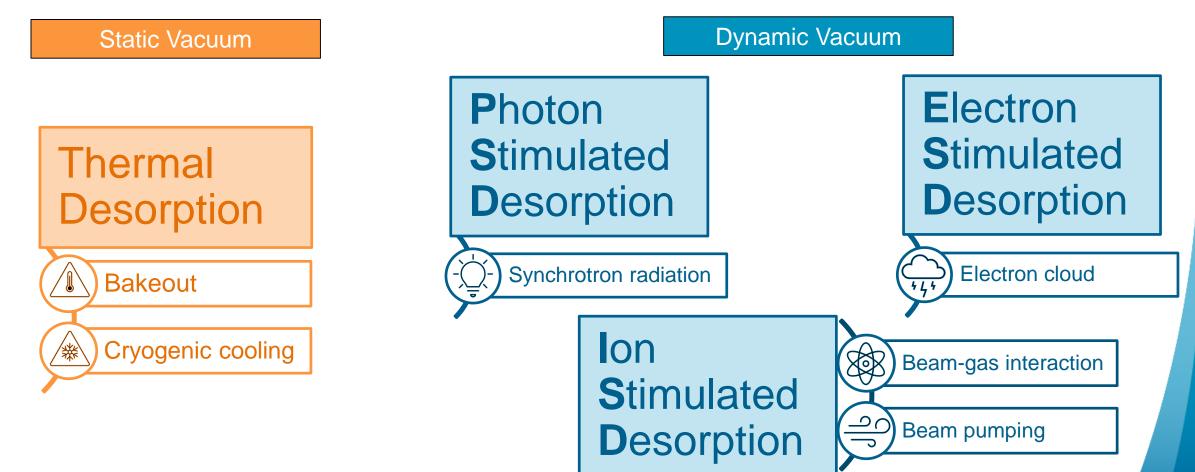
Vacuum is needed in particle accelerators to avoid beam-gas interactions





From where the gas comes from?

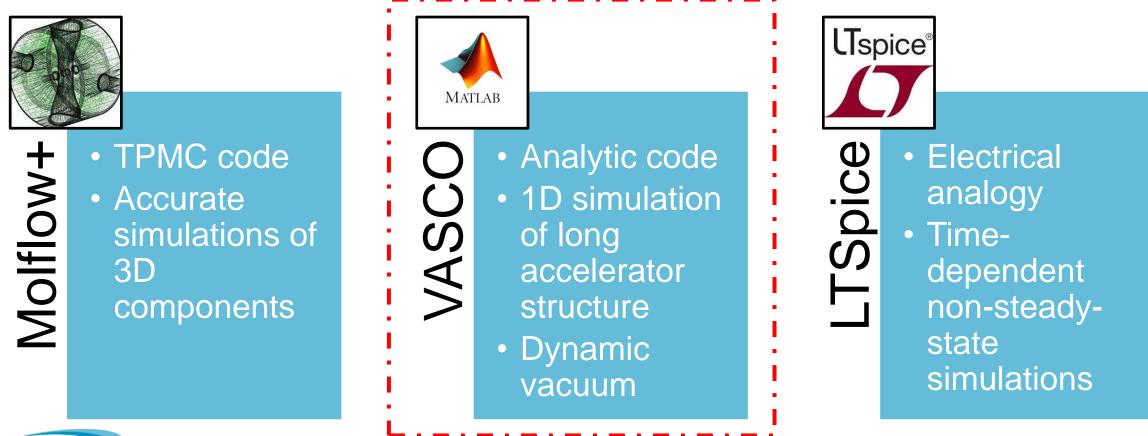
- Gas molecules are normally desorbed from surfaces due to thermal outgassing
- In particle accelerators the beam itself is a source of gas





How can we simulate

- One can use different codes to simulate vacuum
- The choice has to be made considering the result one wants to obtain and the type of problem that has to be simulated





How can we simulate: The VASCO code

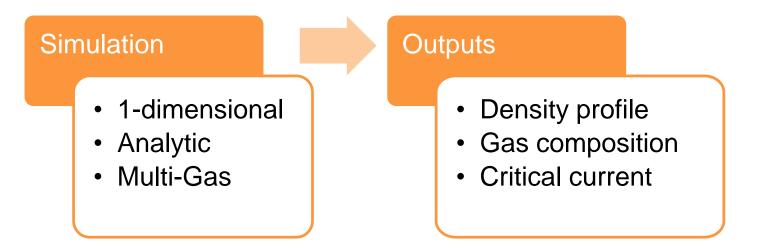
- VASCO is a simulation code used to model the dynamic vacuum in particle accelerator
- It was developed at CERN by A. Rossi in 2004



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VASCO (VAcuum Stability COde): multi-gas code to calculate gas density profile in a UHV system

A. Rossi / AT-VAC

Keywords: vacuum calculations, vacuum stability, residual gas pressure, induced desorption

Summary

Calculation of the residual gas pressure in the presence of hadron beam.

1. Introduction

In a particle accelerator the estimation of residual gas density profiles is indispensable to verify the design and confirm vacuum stability [1] and beam lifetime. Moreover, in the experimental insertion regions density profiles are extremely important to estimate machine background effects in the detectors generated by proton or ion-gas scattering.

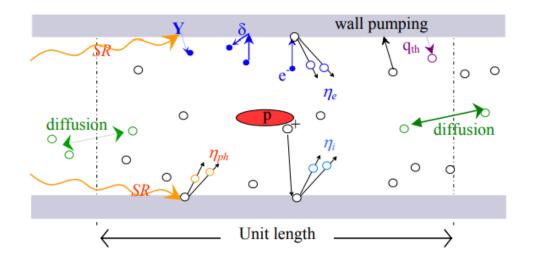
In a hadron collider, beam induced dynamic effects such as ion, electron and photon-stimulated gas desorption are the main source of residual gas.

In this paper, the VASCO code to estimate vacuum stability and density profiles in steady state conditions is presented. In order to take into account the variation of geometry of the vacuum system. surface materials.

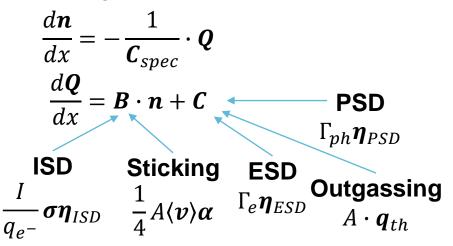


How can we simulate: The VASCO code

- **VASCO** is based on these assumptions:
 - The geometry is a succession of cylinders with the same conductance of the real components
 - The parameters are independent with respect to time
 - The system is in a quasi-steady state



In each segment we solve:



Between segments we impose continuity

$$n_{i+1}^{left} = n_i^{right}$$

$$Q_{i+1}^{left} - Q_i^{right} = g_{i+1} - S_{i+1} \cdot n_{i+1}^{left}$$

$$\uparrow$$
Lumped pumps
and gas injection



How can we simulate: Upgrades of VASCO code

New features

Improved usability

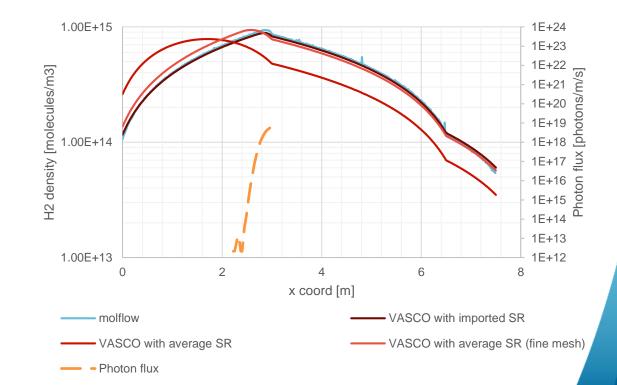
Result post processing

Interface with Synrad+

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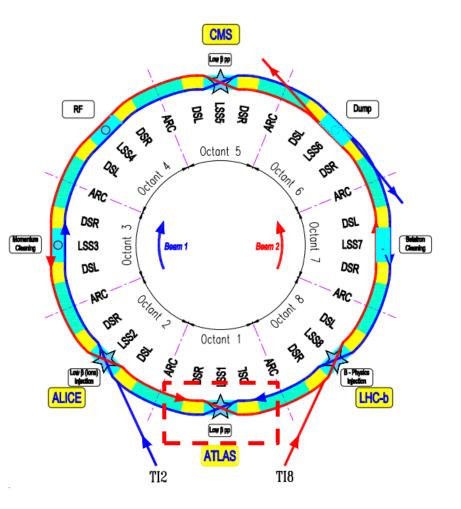
molflow vs VASCO with SR profile





LSS1 pressure profile simulation: The LHC layout

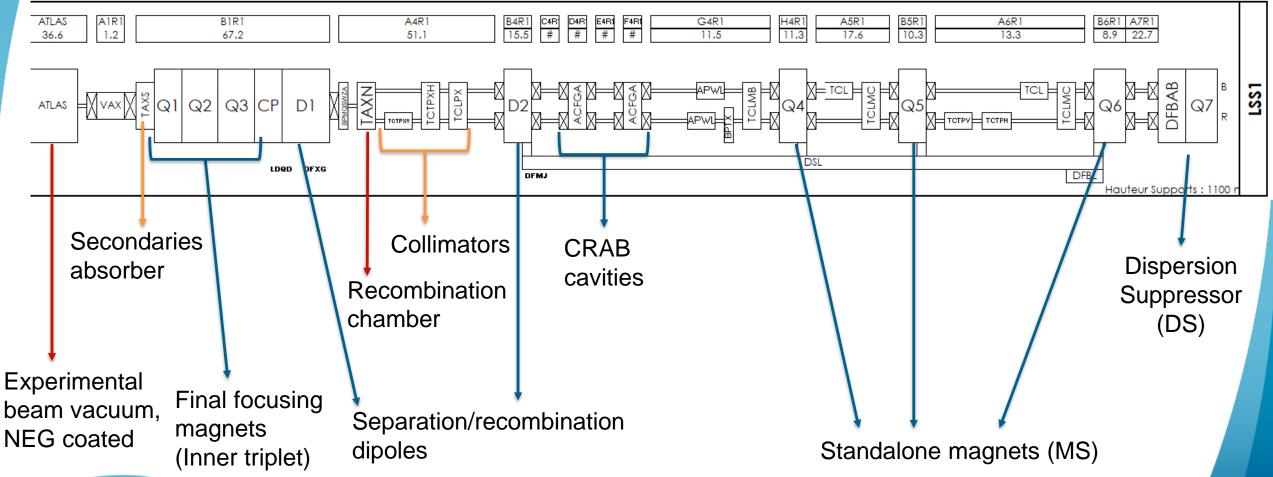
- The Large Hadron Collider is composed of eigth octants
- Each octant contain a «Long Straight Section»
 - LSS1 and LSS5 are the high luminosity insertions, in which the experiments ATLAS and CMS are inserted
 - In LSS2 and LSS8 are the injection points, in which the beams are transferred from the SPS. They also accomodate the experiments ALICE and LHCb
 - In LSS3 and LSS7 are situated the main collimators for momentum and betatron cleaning
 - LSS4 hosts the accelerating RF cavities
 - The beams are dumped through LSS6





LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Layout of LSS1

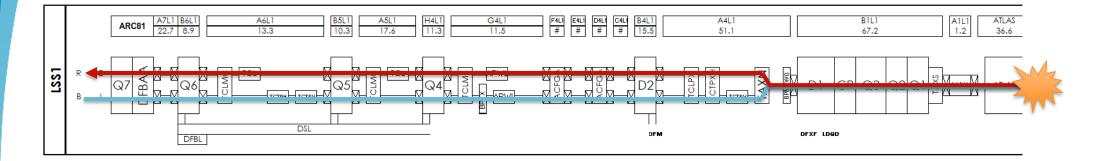
The LSS1 is symmetric with respect to the IP

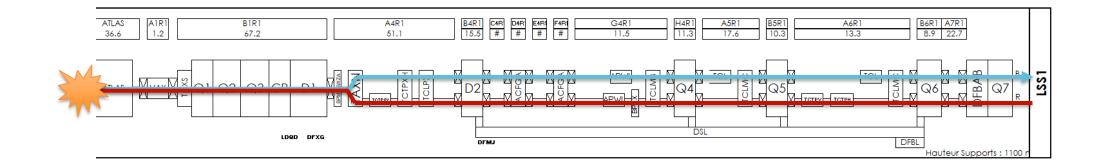




LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Layout of LSS1

- In LSS1 the two beams are collided (almost) head on inside the ATLAS detector
- The simulations will follow the pressure profile of Beam 1







LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Input parameters

- The VASCO model is composed by segments, each of one has a geometry and a set of parameters
- A segment is has a lenght and an equivalent diameter
- The other parameters are found from the literature and the manufacturing spec of the components
- Syncrotron radiation is computed with Synrad, while an educated guess is made for the electron flux due to EC

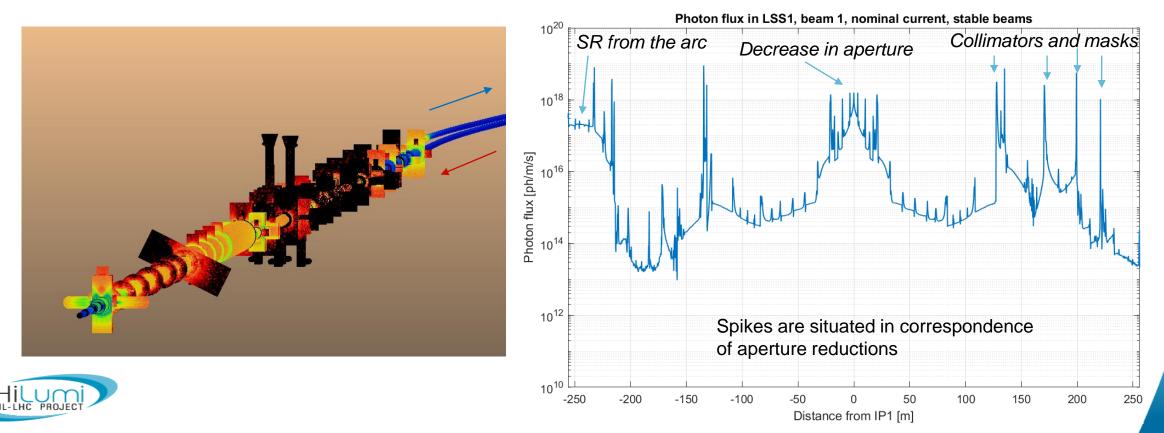
Input parameters

Geometry	
Thermal outgassing	
Pumping speeds	
Yield data for PSD, ESD and ISD	EDMS 2694563
Photon and electron fluxes	EDIVIS 2094303



LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Synchrotron light simulations

- Photon flux in the LSS is evaluated using Synrad+
- The simulation comprehends the LSS and 2 half cells of the arc, and it exploits the symmetry to reduce the calculation effort
- HLLHC-V1.5 optics were used, ultimate energy, nominal intensity, collision mode



LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Machine operation scenarios

- The pressure profile will change with time during operation due to different current and surface conditioning
- 4 scenarios have been simulated:

After :

Injection energy – scrubbing 450 GeV Star EC present At ESD is the main gas load SR is negligible No PSD in the calculations **Beam current** ≈590mA (2748 bunches, 1.2×10¹¹ppb)

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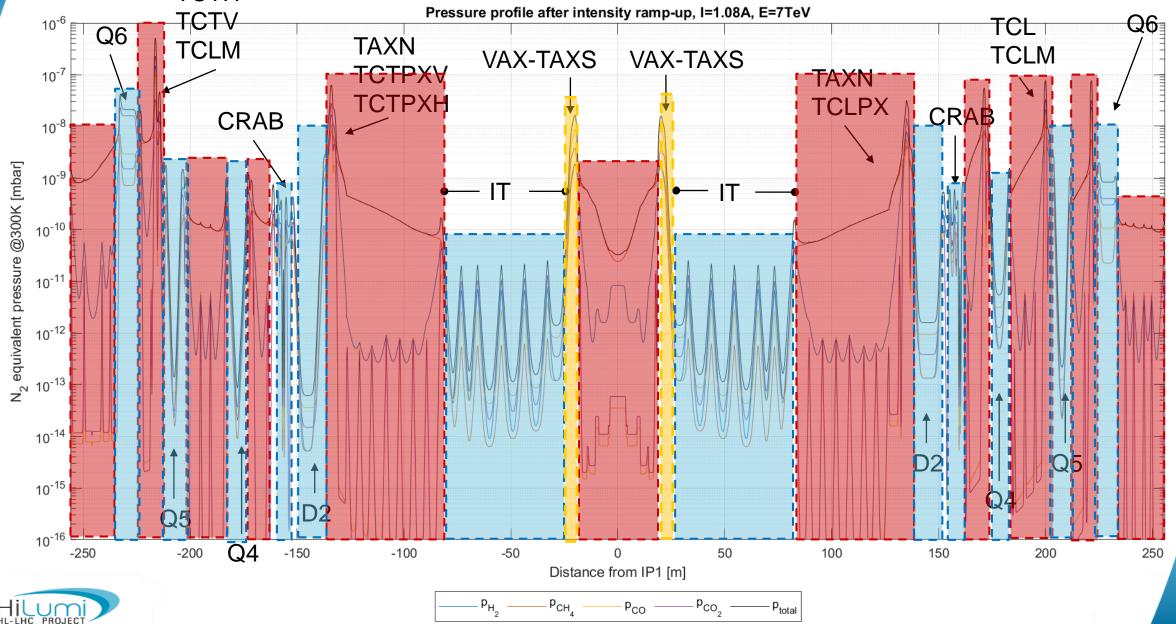
- EC still present
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- SR present
- PSD is the main gas load
 - **Beam current** ≈1.10A
 - (2748 bunches, 2.2×10¹¹ppb)

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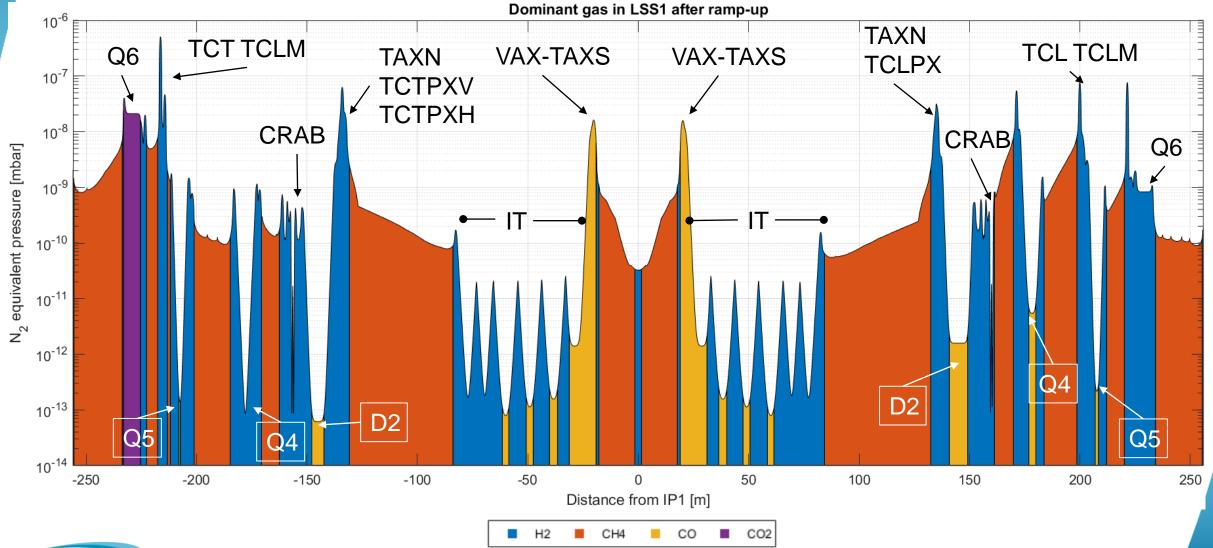
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TCTH LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Pressure profile

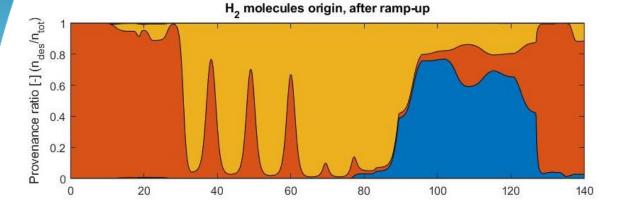


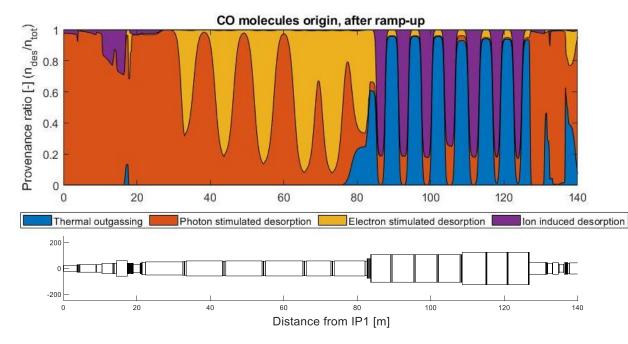
LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Dominant gas





LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Gas composition survey

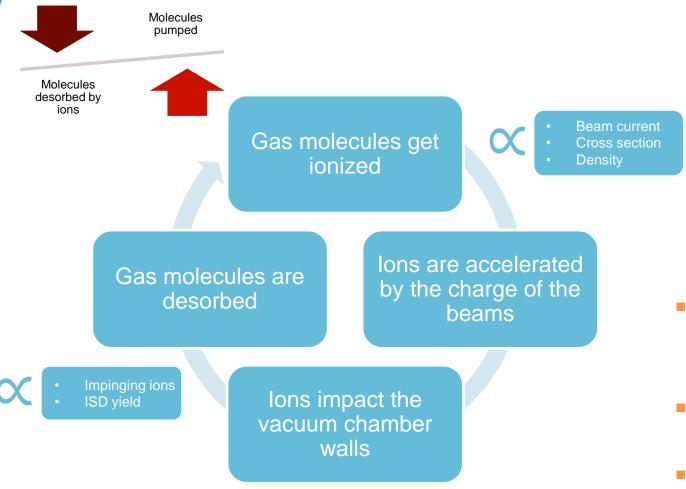




- By computing the pressure profile with just **one source of gas at a time**, an analysis of the gas provenance is possible
- These color maps can give a lot of information on how to optimize the machine layout and how to intervene to reduce the pressure



LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Critical current



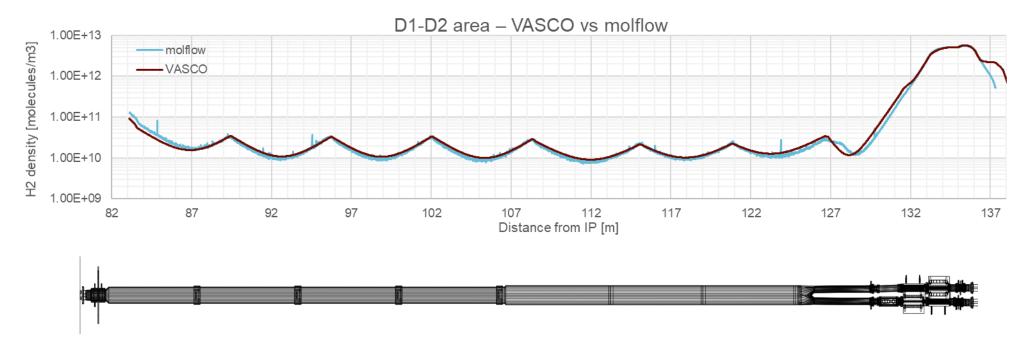
The **critical current** is the beam current at which the amount of desorbed gas is not pumped fast enough from the system and, **given sufficient time**, the pressure **runs away**

- For the start-up of the machine a critical current of 5.6A per beam is foreseen
- The nominal current of the machine is
 1.08A per beam
- After the machine is conditioned, the vacuum will be unconditionally stable



LSS1 pressure profile simulation: Comparison with Molflow

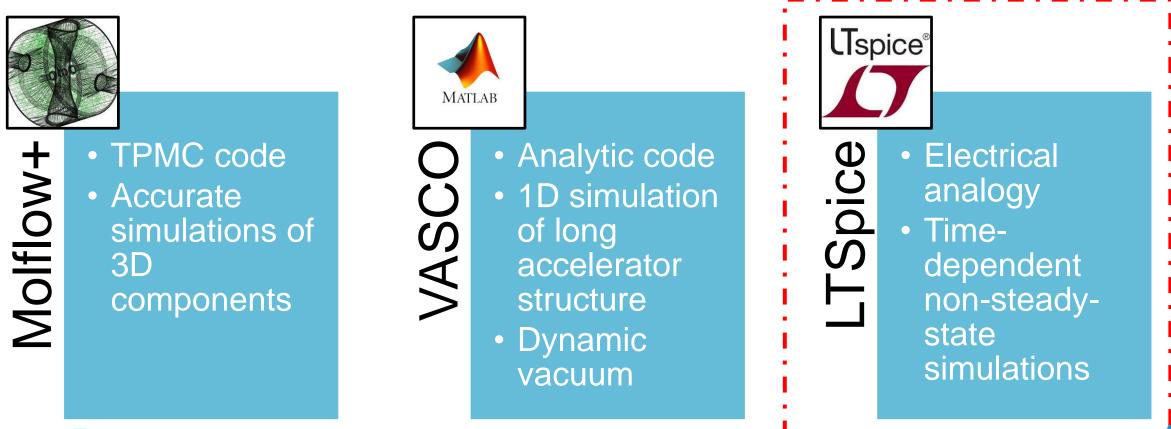
- Finally, it is important to check the performance of the model
- As any analytical code, VASCO can suffer some inaccuracies in certain cases (beaming)
- Comparisons can be made between Molflow and VASCO to evaluate the quality of the model





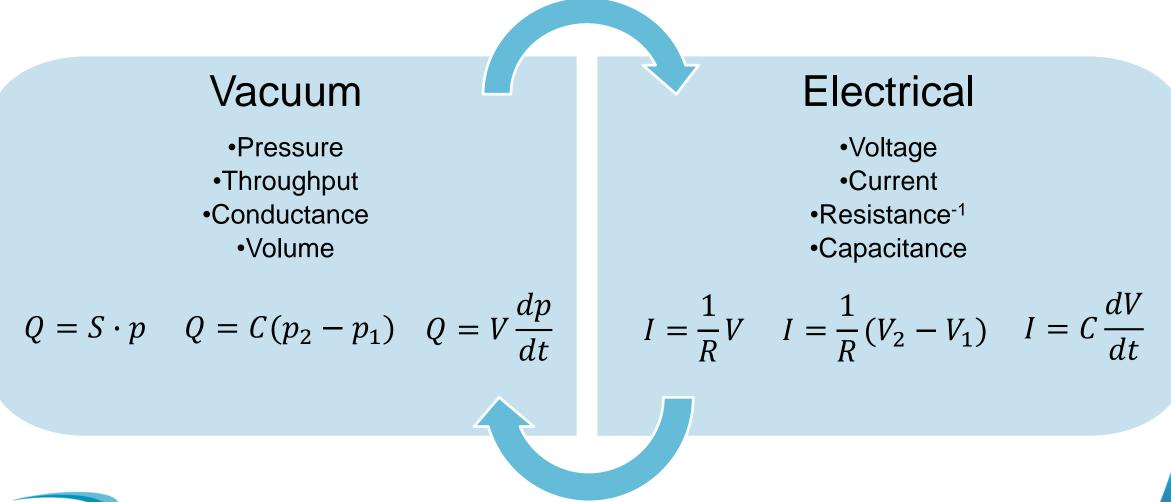
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Inner Triplet pumpdown: the vacuum electrical analogy

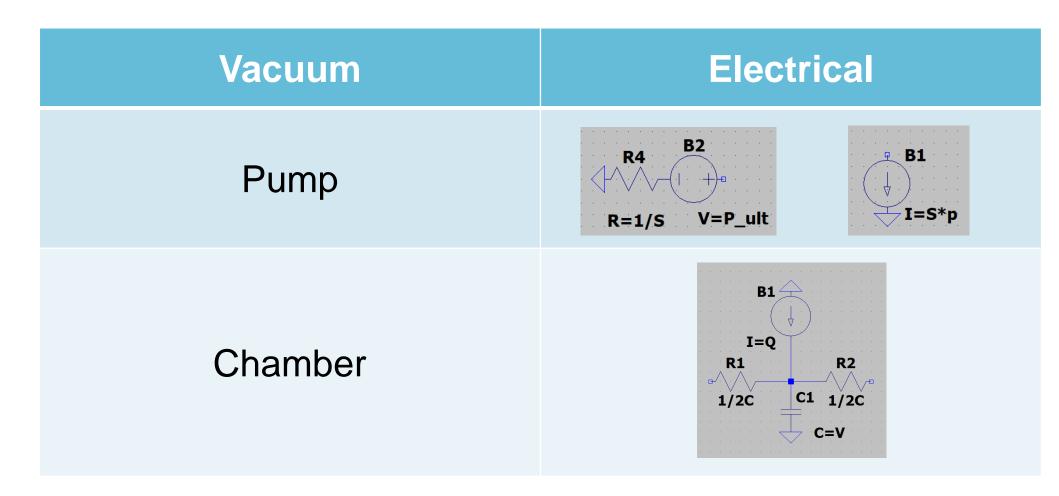
 The equations that govern molecular flow are very similar to the ones concerning electrical circuit





Inner Triplet pumpdown: the vacuum electrical analogy

• For each component of the vacuum system, one can build its electrical analogue





Inner Triplet pumpdown: IT model

- Following the analogy the model can be built as a succession of chambers and pumps
- It is possible to include time dependent outgassing and variable pumping speed
- The model is single gas and it concerns water (unbaked system)

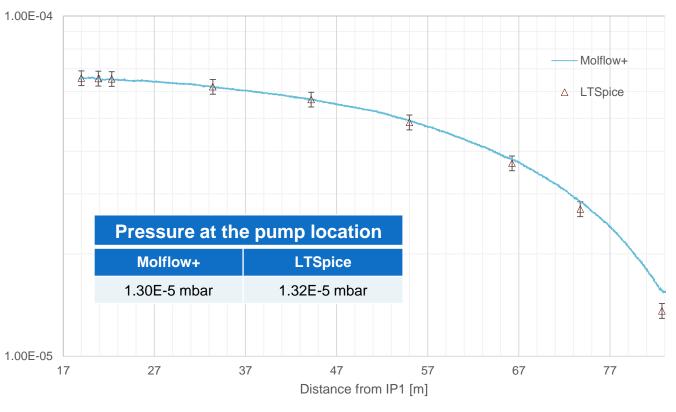
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Inner Triplet pumpdown: Model comparison

- Conductance of the segments is computed with molflow
- LTSpice does not give the pressure profile as an output, but the time evolution of the pressure in certain points
- The model works well and the results are in accordance with molflow+ model



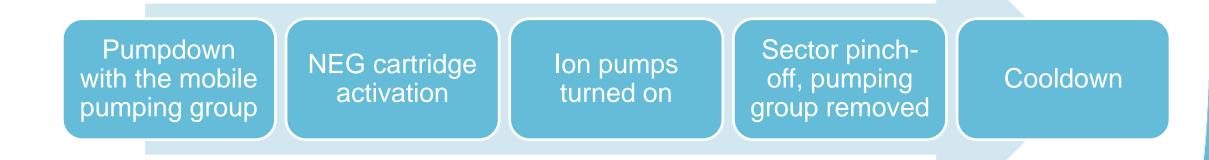


Pressure profile after 24h pumping



Inner Triplet pumpdown: Pumpdown procedure

Pumpdown and cooldown procedure

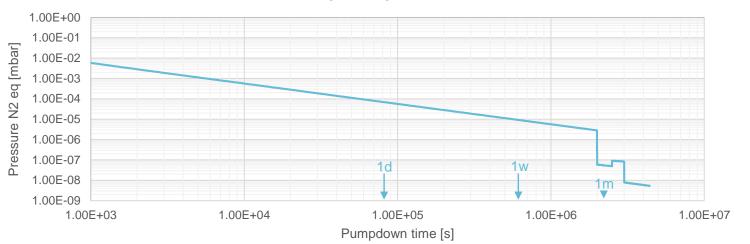


- What are the requirements for a good pumpdown:
 - Pressure low enough before the cooldown to avoid cryocondensation on the beamscreen
 - Avoid saturation of the NEG cartridge



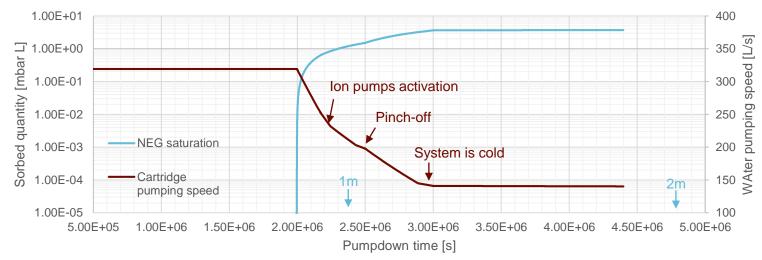
Inner Triplet pumpdown: Results

- Given the outgassing of the carbon coating and the timing of the procedure the model can output:
 - The pumpdown curve
 - The final pumping speed of the cartridge
 - The quantity of gas sorbed by the cartridge
- It is also possible to estimate the time needed to complete the operation



Water partial pressure

Pumping speed and saturation





Conclusions and outlooks

- Simulations are a very important tool for both design and operation of large and complex vacuum systems
- Each software is specific for solving a certain type of problem
- They can provide very accurate results as far as the assumptions and the input parameters are of good quality
- The new layout of LSS1 is now finalized and work is ongoing on the LSS5
- Future work will be focused on the same type of simulations for the current LHC for troubleshooting during Run 3
- Also the upgrade of the VASCO code will be continued





Thank you for your attention Merci pour votre attention

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