# ATLAS Roman Pots Readiness for the First Beam

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## Beam Interlock System validation

• Both ALFA and AFP fully commissioned (last tests done on April, 8<sup>th</sup>):

- injection permit test (check that any single Roman Pot not within the ON-range of the HOME switch withholds the RP INJECTION\_PERMIT for its respective beam (B1 or B2)),
- LVDT-to-Limits comparison (test the proper reaction of pot (retraction in case of validation of warning and/or dump limit) and change of USER\_PERMIT (going false in case of violation of dump limit, staying true otherwise)),
- pot behaviour at various input flags (test behaviour of pots (extraction, loss/no loss of USER\_PERMIT) as a function of various beam modes and state of override key),
- LVDT Bypass Key (test the proper behaviour (restoration of permits) in a various scenarios using bypass key),
- hardware and software extraction (for each pot test emergency extraction via DCS software buttons and hardware button located in ATLAS control room).
- checklist signed-off,
- usual EDMS document prepared

- Conditions similar to pilot beam we had in Fall 2021:
  - $\beta^* = 11$  m, no crossing angle, TCLs opened,
- Request from AFP similar as during pilot beams: to be inserted "just outside the shadow of TCLs",
  - important data for commissioning of trigger and readout system,
  - very beneficial to have several chances to perform commissioning before first stable beams,
- Commissioning ongoing.
- ALFA will be commissioned in parallel (lower priority)  $\rightarrow$  staying in garage would be sufficient.

## Beam Based Alignment...

- ... for collision optics (low- $\beta^*$ ):
  - qualify AFP and probably ALFA,
    - AFP will be inserted in all low- $\beta^*$  runs (incl. all ramp-up steps),
    - ALFA will stay in garage during low- $\beta^*$  runs,
  - tentative dates (accordingly to current schedule) June, 19<sup>th</sup>:
    - in touch with Jorg dates still not known,
    - ideally, if it could be done sometime in Week 25,
    - important to know the dates (to assure expert availability)  $\to$  people not based at CERN, travel has to be planned in advance,
    - quite a lot of experts are not available in W26 (conferences, scheduled leaves).

# ... for LHCf run:

- $\bullet\,$  not clear if only for ALFA, AFP or both  $\rightarrow$  studies and discussion with LHCf ongoing.
- $\bullet$  important to know beam conditions (optics, collimator settings)  $\rightarrow$  discussion ongoing.
- ... for high- $\beta^*$  tests:
  - qualify ALFA,
- ... for pp  $\rightarrow$  PbPb reference run:
  - in case AFP will take data during pp reference run,
  - important to know beam conditions (optics, collimator settings).

#### Low- $\mu$ Run during 1<sup>st</sup> ramp-up:

- at 600b step (details under discussion within ATLAS),
- exact  $\mu$  value to be defined ( $\mathcal{O}(0.5)$ )

#### Very low- $\mu$ run for ATLAS:

•  $\mu \sim$  0.005 and no trains,

#### **TOTEM** $\beta^* = 90$ m run:

• only for ALFA,

#### LHCf run:

optics studies needed,

### Low- $\mu$ Run during $2^{nd}$ ramp-up:

- at 600b step? need to agree with ATLAS,
- exact  $\mu$  value to be defined,

#### Other:

- low- $\mu$  'electroweak' runs ( $\mu \sim 1$ ),
- $pp \rightarrow PbPb$  reference run:
  - optics needed,
  - probably possible only if BBA done in advance.