

Vacuum Systems

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1. Beam-gas interactions

Cross section

- The cross section σ , is the **probability** the beam interacts with the atoms of target
- When a beam of intensity I , crosses a target of thickness dx with a density of atoms n , the change in beam current is:

$$dI = -I \sigma n dx$$

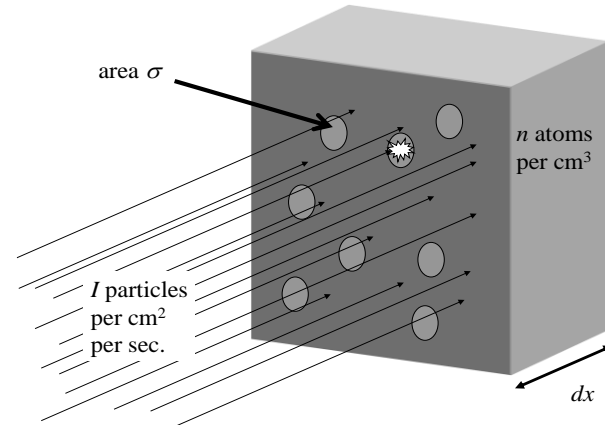
- The cross section is a constant having the **dimensions of an area**

- The unit is **1 barn = $10^{-28} \text{ m}^2 = 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2$**

- The beam moves at a speed v , thus the thickness of target traversed during the time dt equals: $v dt$

- Using the previous equation, this gives:

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = -I n v \sigma$$



A real barn...

Beam residual gas interactions, SP Møller, CAS, CERN 99-05

Lifetime, cross-section and activation, P. Grafström, CAS, CERN 2007-003

Life time

- The evolution of the beam current is given by the integration of the previous equation:

$$I = I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \quad \text{with life time} \quad \tau = \frac{1}{n \sigma v}$$

- During the interaction process, the beam current decrease exponentially with a **time constant inversely proportional to the gas density and the cross section**

- In a vacuum system, the beam interacts differently with the different gas species of density n_i according to their respective cross sections σ_i : (NOTA BENE: τ_i is in SECONDS)

$$\tau_i = \frac{1}{n_i \sigma_i v}$$

- Summing up the interaction process on the different gas species gives:

$$\sum \frac{dI_i}{dt} = -Iv \sum n_i \sigma_i$$

- Thus:

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \sum \frac{1}{\tau_i}$$

For a vacuum system: $\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau_{H_2}} + \frac{1}{\tau_{CH_4}} + \frac{1}{\tau_{H_2O}} + \frac{1}{\tau_{CO}} + \frac{1}{\tau_{CO_2}}$

The vacuum life time must be much larger (*i.e.* $\gg 24$ h) than other life times
e.g. the particle loss due to the collisions etc.

Proton storage ring

- At high energy, the proton beam can interact with the nuclei of the atom.
- The scattered proton change its direction or loses so much energy that it is lost from the beam
- The **nuclear scattering cross section** increases with beam energy:

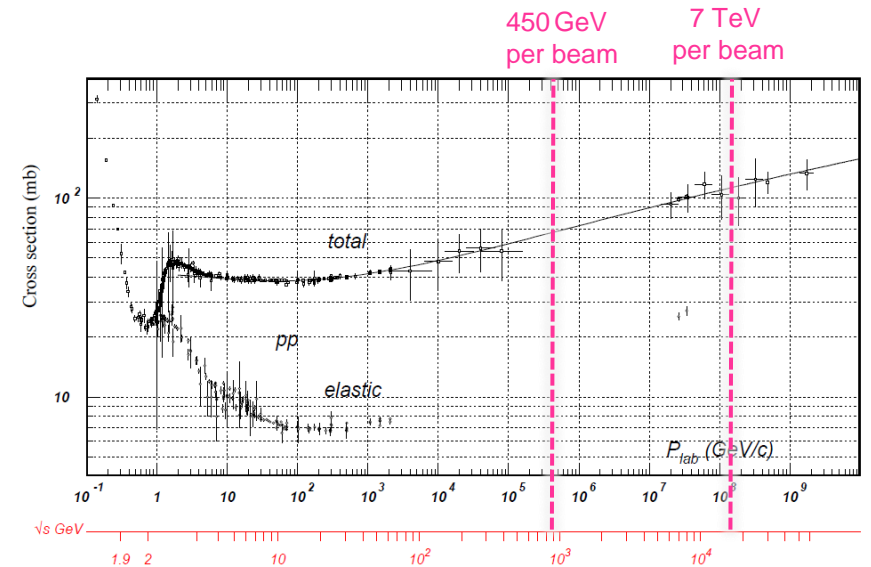
7 TeV values

| Gas | Z | σ (mb) | $\sigma_{rel,i}$ |
|------------------|-----|---------------|------------------|
| H ₂ | 2 | 95 | 1 |
| He | 2 | 126 | 1.33 |
| CH ₄ | 16 | 566 | 5.96 |
| H ₂ O | 18 | 565 | 5.96 |
| CO | 28 | 854 | 8.99 |
| N ₂ | 14 | 820 | 8.63 |
| O ₂ | 32 | 924 | 9.73 |
| CO ₂ | 44 | 1317 | 13.86 |
| Kr | 84 | 2177 | 22.92 |
| Xe | 131 | 3231 | 34.01 |

$$\sigma_{rel,i} = \frac{\sigma_i}{\sigma_{H_2}}$$

$$\sigma_{pA} = \sigma_{pp} Z^{0.7}$$

| H | σ (mb) |
|---------|---------------|
| 450 GeV | 32.5 |
| 7 TeV | 47.5 |
| 50 TeV | 65 |



Total and elastic cross sections for pp collisions as a function of laboratory beam momentum and total centre of mass energy

- In a vacuum system, it is **convenient** to express the gas density in **H₂-equivalent** as if there were only one gas specie.

$$n_{H_2 eq} = \sum n_i \sigma_{rel,i}$$

Application: LHC vacuum life time

- In the LHC, the vacuum life time is defined by nuclear scattering set to be >100 h:
 - The corresponding H₂ gas density is:

$$n_{H_2} = \frac{1}{\tau \sigma_{H_2} c} = \frac{1}{3.6 \cdot 10^5 \times 95 \cdot 10^{-31} \times 3 \cdot 10^8} = 10^{15} \text{ H}_2 \cdot \text{m}^{-3}$$

- i.e.* 4 · 10⁻⁸ mbar

- Assuming the residual gas composition is dominated by CO, this would correspond to:

$$n_{CO} = \frac{n_{H_2}}{\sigma_{rel,i}} = \frac{10^{15}}{8.99} = 10^{14} \text{ CO} \cdot \text{m}^{-3}$$

- i.e.* 4 · 10⁻⁹ mbar

Exercise: Assume a gas mixture of H₂ and CO, with 2 · 10¹⁴ H₂·m⁻³ and 5 · 10¹³ CO·m⁻³ *i.e.* a total pressure of 10⁻⁸ mbar, what would be the vacuum life time?

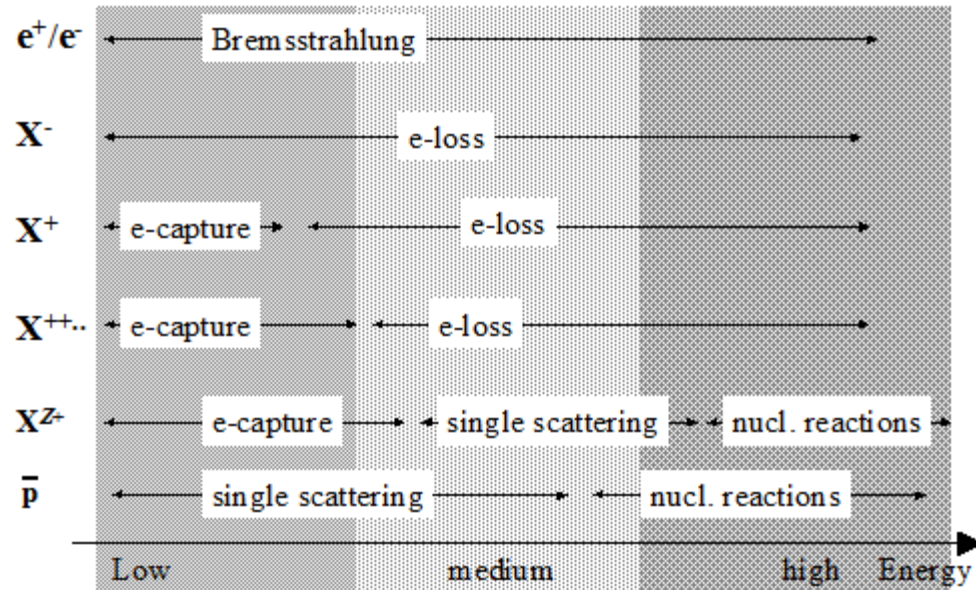
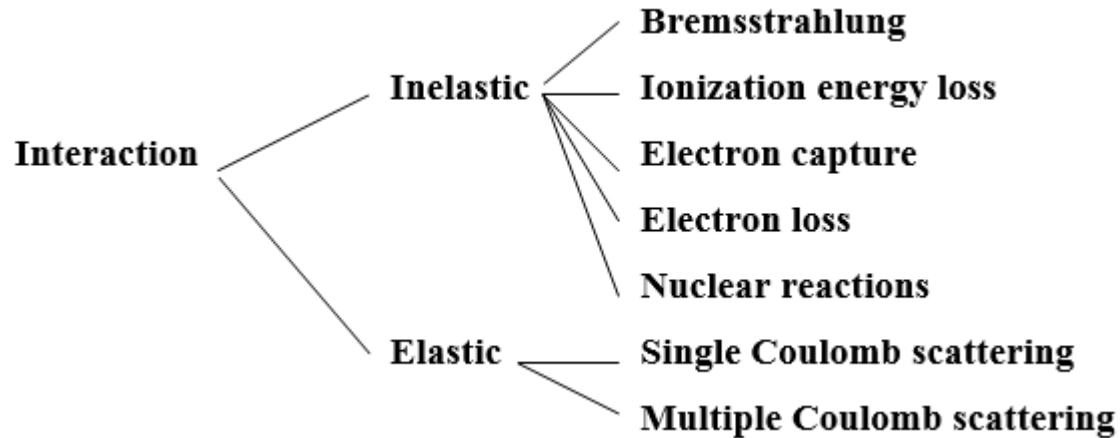
- compute the **equivalent H2 gas density**:

$$n_{H_2 \text{ eq}} = n_{H_2} + n_{CO} \sigma_{rel,co} = 2 \cdot 10^{14} + 8.99 \times 5 \cdot 10^{13} = 6.4 \cdot 10^{14}$$

- compute the vacuum lifetime in hours:

$$\tau_i = \frac{1}{n_i \sigma_i v} \quad \tau = \frac{1}{3600} \frac{1}{n_{H_2 \text{ eq}} \sigma_{H_2} c} = \frac{1}{3600} \frac{1}{6.4 \cdot 10^{14} \cdot 95 \cdot 10^{-31} \cdot 3 \cdot 10^8} = 150 \text{ h}$$

Beam-gas interactions



Beam residual gas interactions, SP Møller, CAS, CERN 99-05

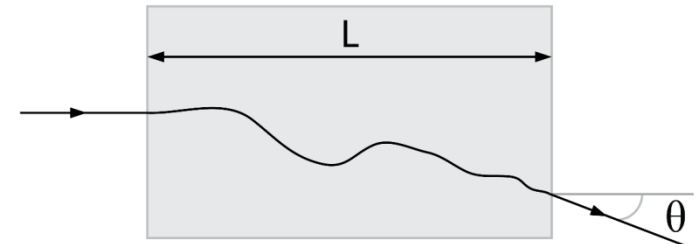
Proton storage ring

- A single Coulomb scattering event is due to the elastic scattering via electro-magnetic forces of an incoming particle on a nucleus.
- Multiple Coulomb scattering** is due to a series of small angle scattering events which lead to the gradual blow up of the beam emittance, ϵ and thus its transverse dimension σ .

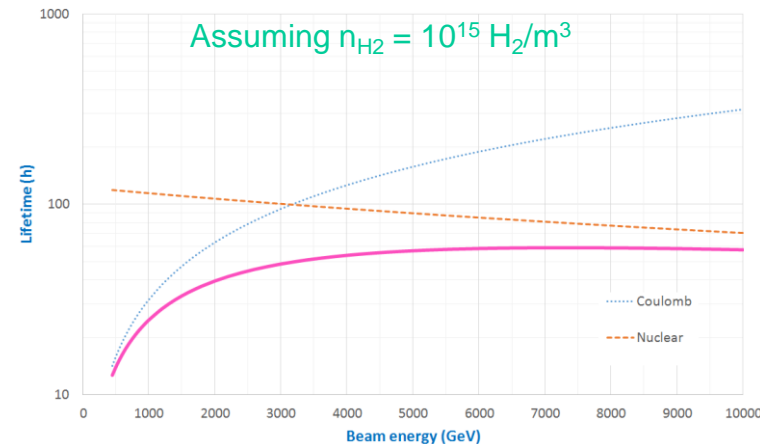
$$\sigma = \sigma_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_m}}$$

- The multiple scattering characteristic time, τ_m , is directly proportional to the beam momentum

$$\tau_m [hour] = 1.13 \cdot 10^{22} \frac{\epsilon}{G \langle \beta \rangle} \frac{p^2}{n} \propto \frac{p^2}{\gamma} \propto p$$



Comparison of Coulomb & nuclear scattering lifetimes



- With:
 - G** the gas factor,
 - n the gas density (molecules/m³)
 - P the particle momentum (GeV/c)
 - $\langle \beta \rangle$ the average beta function (m)
 - $\epsilon = \epsilon_0/\gamma$ the beam emittance (m rad)

| Gas | Mass | Gas Factor |
|------------------|------|------------|
| H ₂ | 2 | 21.10 |
| He | 4 | 39.45 |
| CH ₄ | 16 | 370.86 |
| H ₂ O | 18 | 593.10 |
| CO | 28 | 900.66 |
| N ₂ | 28 | 884.60 |
| O ₂ | 32 | 1144.00 |
| Ar | 40 | 2709.26 |
| CO ₂ | 44 | 1472.66 |

- The **nuclear** cross section **dominates** above 3 TeV

Electron storage ring

- The beam life time depends on 4 scattering cross sections

$$\sigma = \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3 + \sigma_4$$

$$\tau = \frac{1}{n \sigma c}$$

- Nuclear elastic scattering:

$$\sigma_1 = 1.305 \cdot 10^{-35} \frac{Z^2}{E^2} \left[\left(\frac{\langle \beta_H \rangle}{a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\langle \beta_V \rangle}{b} \right)^2 \right]$$

With:

σ_i cross section in m^2

Z atomic number (i.e. 6 for C)

E the beam energy (GeV)

a semi-horizontal chamber dimension (m)

b semi-vertical chamber dimension (m)

$\langle \beta \rangle$ Average beta in H and V plane (m)

$\epsilon_{RF} = \chi_{RF} E$ is the maximum allowable energy spread in the RF ($\chi_{RF} \ll 1$)

- Nuclear inelastic scattering:

$$\sigma_2 = 3.09 \cdot 10^{-31} Z^2 \ln \left(\frac{183}{Z^{1/3}} \right) \left[\ln \left(\frac{1}{\chi_{RF}} \right) - \frac{5}{8} \right]$$

- Elastic scattering from electrons surrounding the nucleus of the residual gas:

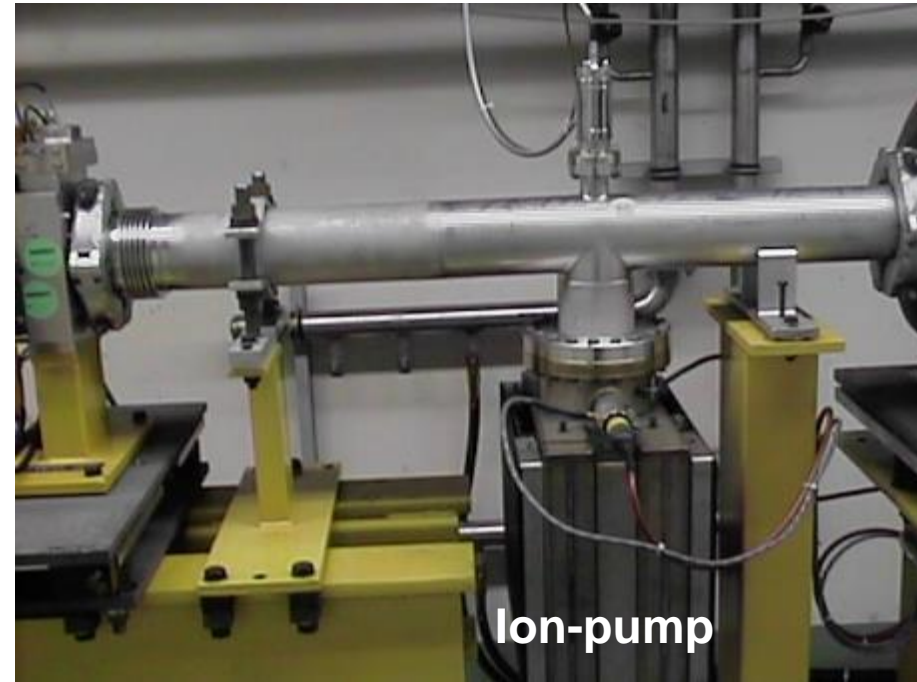
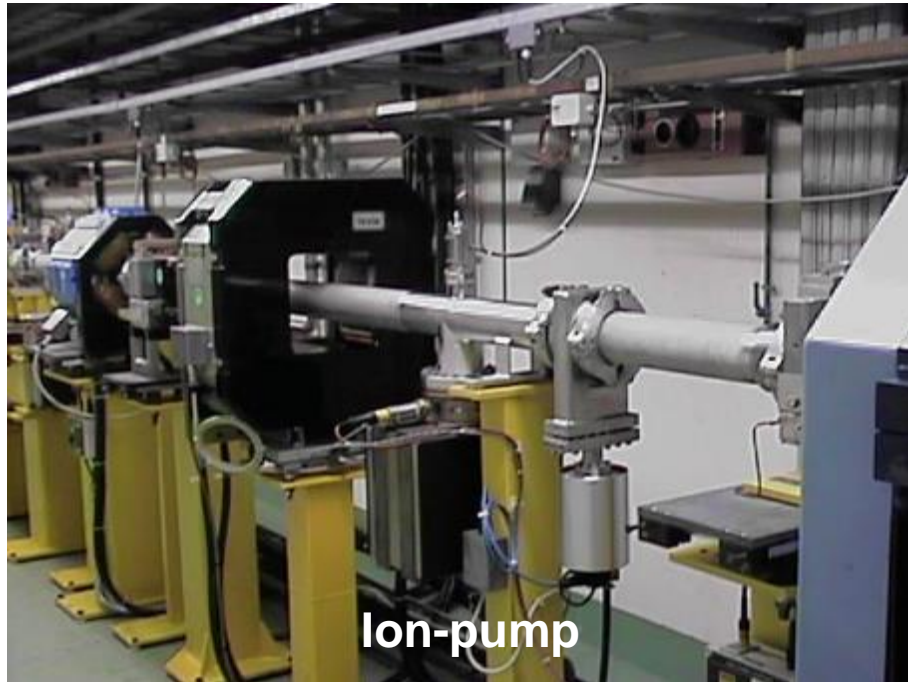
$$\sigma_3 = 2.55 \cdot 10^{-32} \frac{Z}{\chi_{RF} E}$$

- Inelastic scattering from electrons surrounding the nucleus of the residual gas:

$$\sigma_4 = 3.09 \cdot 10^{-31} Z \left[\ln \left(\frac{4.89 \cdot 10^3 E}{\chi_{RF}} \right) - 1.4 \right] \left[\ln \left(\frac{1}{\chi_{RF}} \right) - \frac{5}{8} \right]$$

2. Pressure profiles

A lumped pumping system



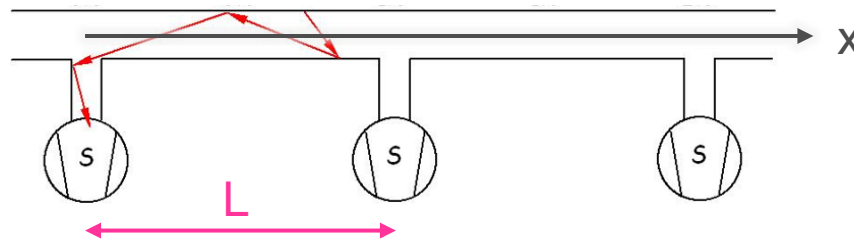
CERN Electron Positron Accumulator, 1998

Gas flow in an elemental chamber

- We then consider a chamber of uniform cross-section, of **specific surface A [cm²/m]**, **specific outgassing rate of q [mbar·l/s/cm²]**, with equal pumps (pumping speed **S [l/s]** each) evenly spaced at a distance **L [m]**. **Q** is the gas throughput in [mbar·l/s]. The specific conductance is **c [l·m/s]**; **AqL = Q_{tot} [mbar·l/s]**

- The following equations can be written:

$$\begin{cases} Q(x) = -c \frac{dP(x)}{dx} \\ \frac{dQ(x)}{dx} = Aq \end{cases}$$



- Differentiating the first one and substituting in the second one we obtain:

$$c \frac{d^2P}{dx^2} = -Aq$$

- Which solution is a **parabolic function** (second order polynomial)
- The boundary conditions allow us to determine the two integration constants:

$$\begin{cases} \left[\frac{dP}{dx} \right]_{x=L/2} = 0 \\ P(0) = P(L) = \frac{Aq L}{S} \end{cases}$$

Vacuum system design, A.G. Mathewson, CAS, CERN 94-041

Simple machine

• So:

$$P(x) = \frac{Aq}{2c}(Lx - x^2) + \frac{AqL}{S}$$

• The maximum pressure is given by:

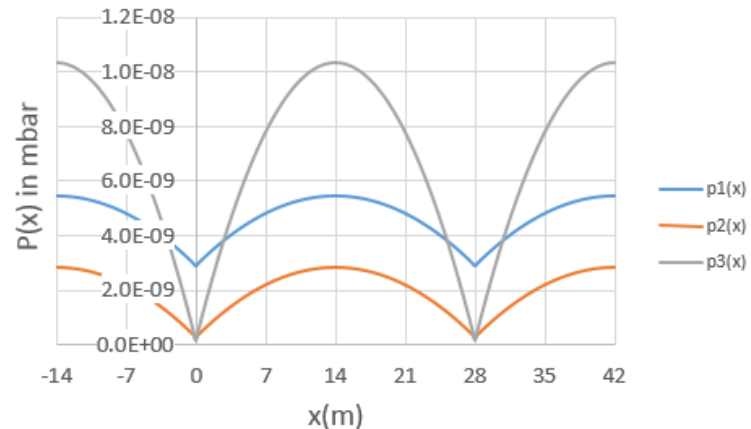
$$P_{max} = AqL \left(\frac{1}{S} + \frac{1}{8c} \right)$$

• The average pressure is given by:

$$P_{av} = \frac{1}{2L} \int_0^{2L} P(x) dx = AqL \left[\frac{1}{S} + \frac{L}{12c} \right]$$

The average pressure is dominated by the conductance

| | P1(x) | P2(x) | P(3) |
|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| D (cm) | 10 | 10 | 5 |
| c (l s ⁻¹ m) | 121 | 121 | 15.1 |
| S (l s ⁻¹) | 30 | 300 | 300 |
| P _{max} (mbar) | 6 · 10 ⁻⁹ | 3 · 10 ⁻⁹ | 1 · 10 ⁻⁸ |
| P _{av} (mbar) | 3 · 10 ⁻⁹ | 2 · 10 ⁻⁹ | 7 · 10 ⁻⁹ |



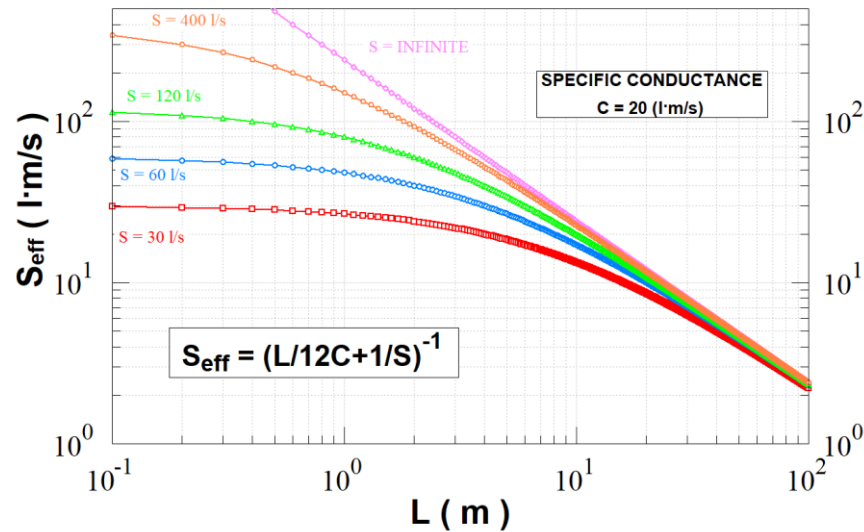
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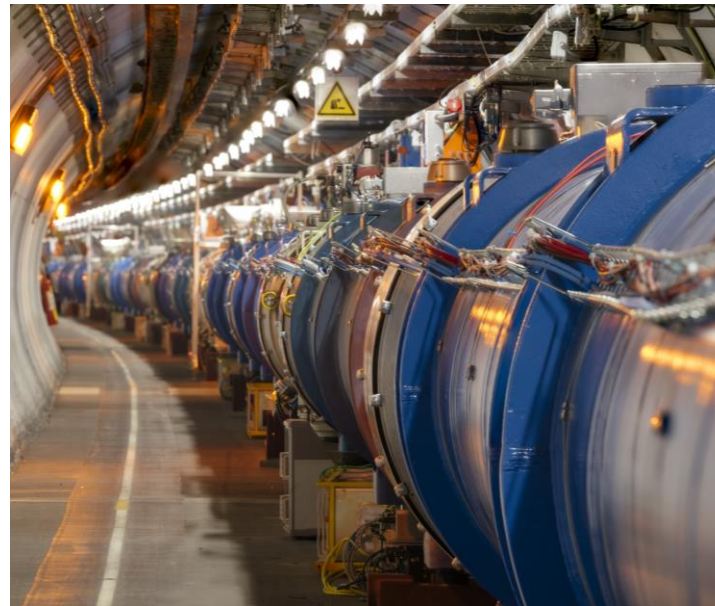
- Recalling $AqL = Q$ and $P = Q/S$, we have

$$S_{eff} = \left(\frac{1}{S} + \frac{1}{12c} \right)^{-1}$$

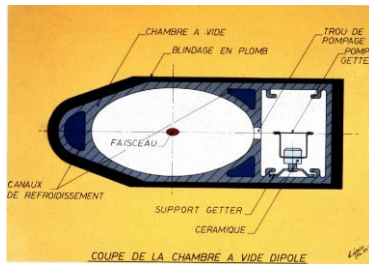
EFFECTIVE PUMPING SPEED VS PUMP SEPARATION
FOR DIFFERENT PUMPING SPEEDS



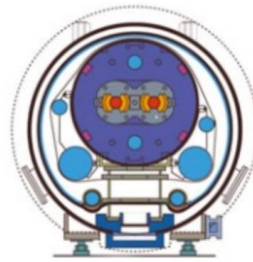
Some distributed pumping system



LEP beam pipe

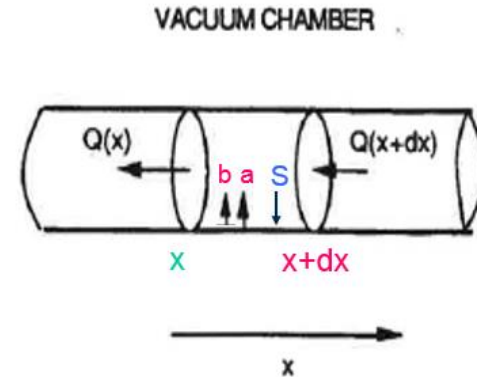


LHC Cryogenic and RT beam pipes with 1-2 μ m-thick NEG-coating (Ti-Zr-V)



Simple machine with distributed pumping, s

$$V \frac{dP}{dt} = a + (b - s)P + C \frac{d^2P}{dx^2}$$



- Where:

a is the linear outgassing rate (includes thermal desorption and photon stimulated desorption) in Torr.l/s/m

s is the **linear (distributed) pumping speed** in l/s/m

b is the **ion induced desorption**; $b = 10^3 \eta \sigma I/e$ in l/s/m

I is the proton beam current in A

C is the specific conductance of the vacuum chamber in l-m/s

V is the volume per unit of length in l/m

- In quasi static conditions:

$$\frac{d^2P}{dx^2} = \left(\frac{s - b}{C} \right) P - \frac{a}{C}$$

- For long tubes $Cd^2P/dx^2 = 0$:

$$P_{inf} = \frac{a}{s - b}$$

- So the vacuum system is stable if $s-b > 0$ i.e. $s > b$

Simple machine with distributed pumping, s

- For short tubes $Cd^2P/dx^2 \neq 0$:

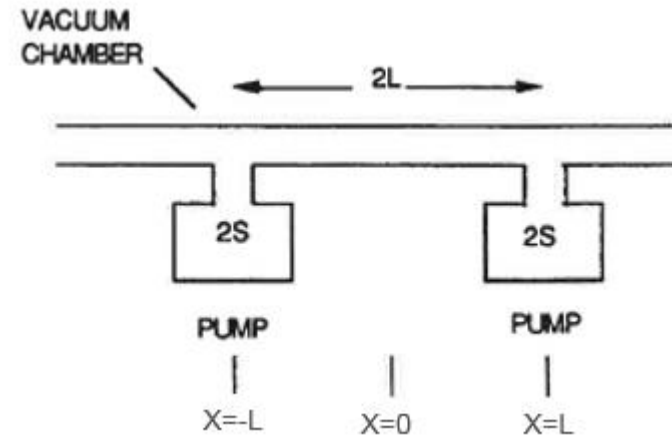
$$P(x) = Ae^{-\lambda x} + Be^{\lambda x} + \frac{a}{\lambda^2 C} \quad \text{with} \quad \lambda^2 = \frac{s-b}{C}$$

- With the following boundary conditions:

$$C \left[\frac{dP}{dx} \right]_{x=\mp L} = \pm P(\mp L) 2S$$

FLUX IN

FLUX OUT



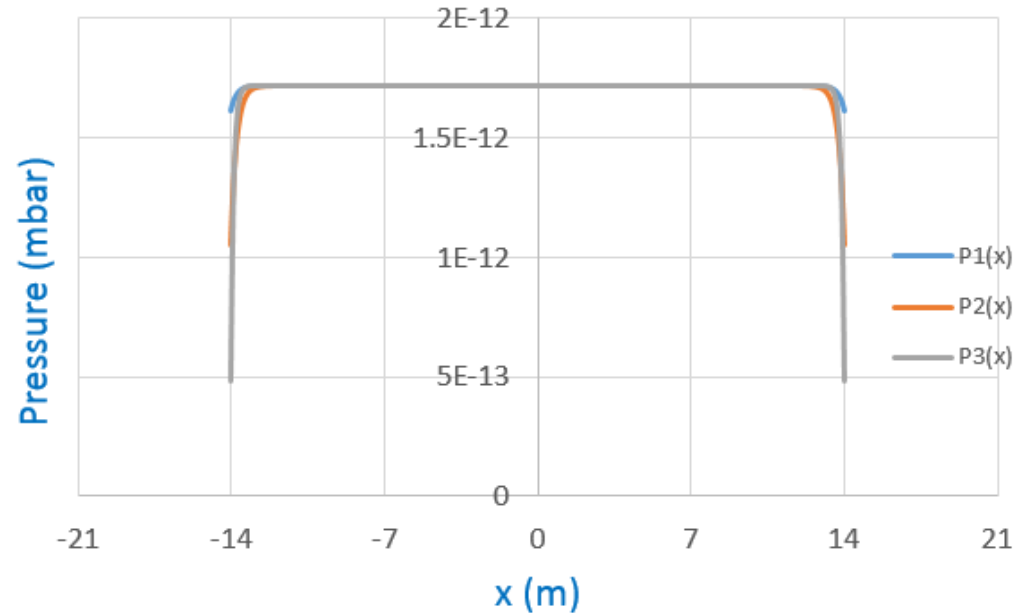
- It gives:

$$P(x) = P_{inf} \left(1 - \frac{\cosh(\lambda x)}{\cosh(\lambda L) \left(1 + \frac{C}{2S} \lambda \tanh(\lambda L) \right)} \right)$$

Simple machine with distributed pumping: application

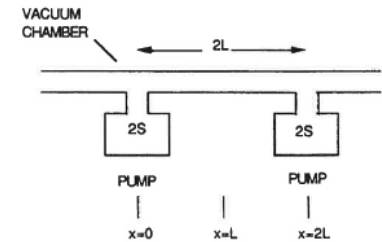
- P is the gas pressure (mbar)
- V is the volume per unit of length (l m⁻¹)
- c is the specific conductance of the tube (l s⁻¹ m)
- b is set to zero
- a is the gas desorption per unit length of tube (mbar l s⁻¹ m⁻¹)
- 2L is the distance between the pumps (m)
- 2S is the pumping speed (l s⁻¹)

| | P1(x) | P2(x) | P(3) |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| D (cm) | 10 | 10 | 5 |
| c (l s ⁻¹ m) | 121 | 121 | 15.1 |
| 2S (l s ⁻¹) | 30 | 300 | 300 |
| a (mbar l /s / m) | 3 10 ⁻⁹ | 3 10 ⁻⁹ | 1.5 10 ⁻⁹ |
| S (l s ⁻¹ m ⁻¹) | 1834 | 1834 | 917 |
| P _{inf} (mbar) | 2 10 ⁻¹² | 2 10 ⁻¹² | 2 10 ⁻¹² |



- 50 cm away from the pump, the pressure is independent of its pumping speed

The average pressure is dominated by the long tube pressure P_{inf}



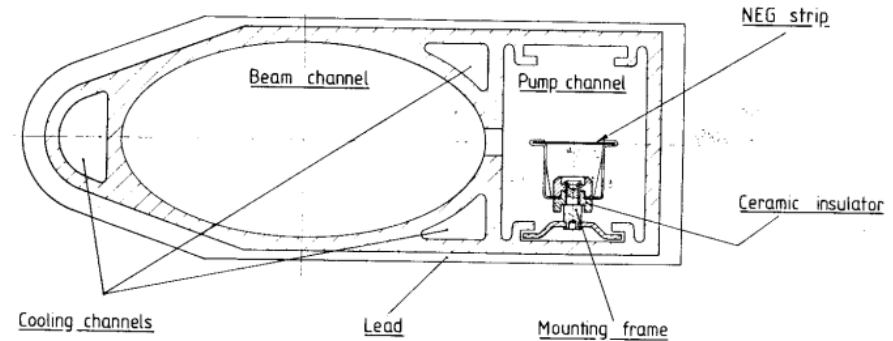
Simple machine with distributed pumping: application Test-Particle Montecarlo (TPMC*) simulation of LEP



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Fig1 - CROSS-SECTION OF THE DIPOLE VACUUM CHAMBER



MONTE CARLO SIMULATION OF THE PRESSURE AND OF THE EFFECTIVE PUMPING SPEED

IN THE LARGE ELECTRON POSITRON COLLIDER (LEP)

by

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Abstract

With the help of a Monte Carlo simulation the pressure distribution in the beam channel and the effective linear pumping speed have been calculated. The influence of the number of sputter ion pumps, of the source of degassing and of the area of the pumping orifices on the average pressure in a half cell of LEP has been studied. The presence of a leak located at the connection between the first and the second dipole chamber results in an increase of the average pressure proportional to the leak rate. The increase of the average pressure due to the same leak but located at the Q chamber is 4-6 times stronger. The pressure distributions and the corresponding results of the effective linear pumping speed along a regular half cell of LEP, are illustrated in the attached figures for different sets of initial parameters.

Geneva, January 1986

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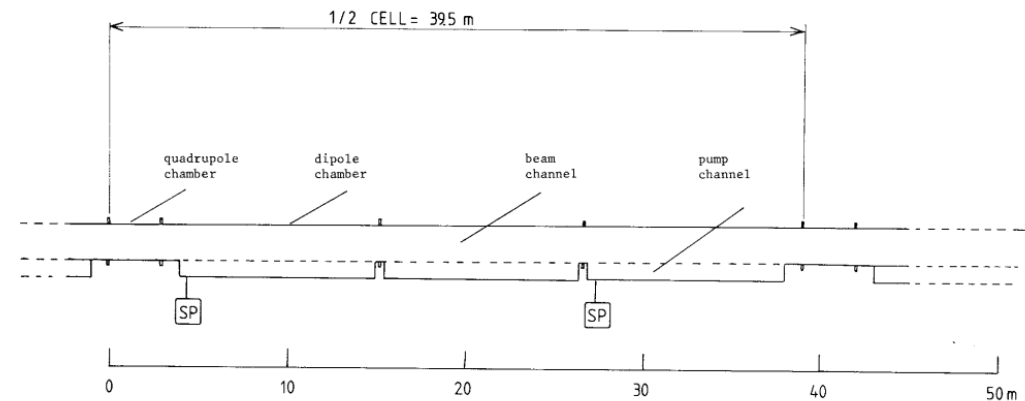


Fig. 2 Schematic layout of a half cell

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(*) See practical days Molflow+ training session

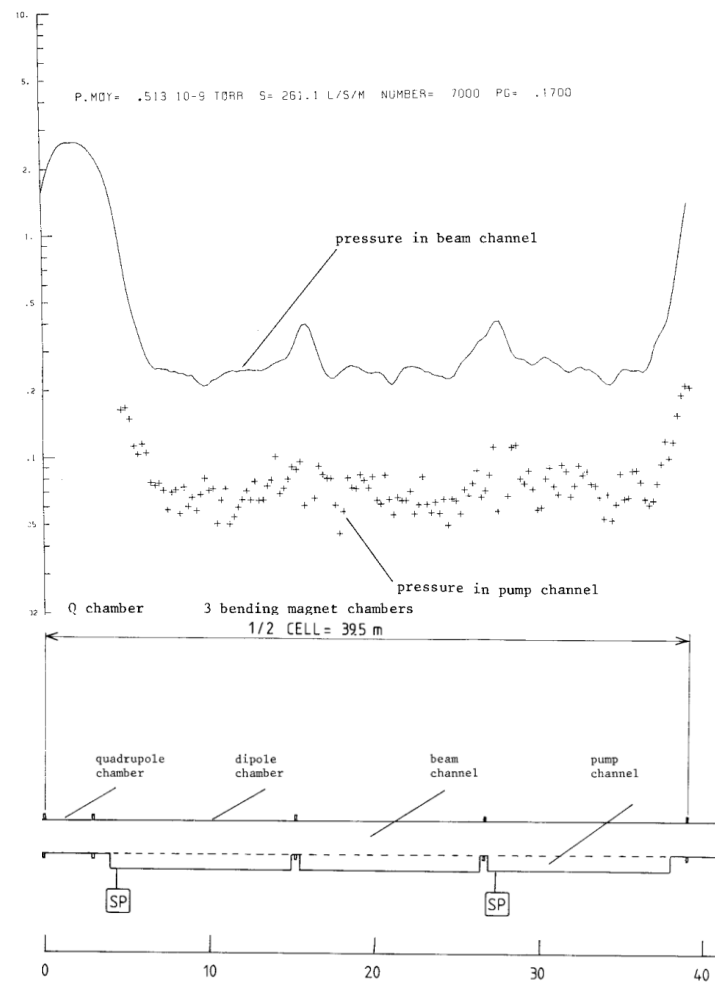
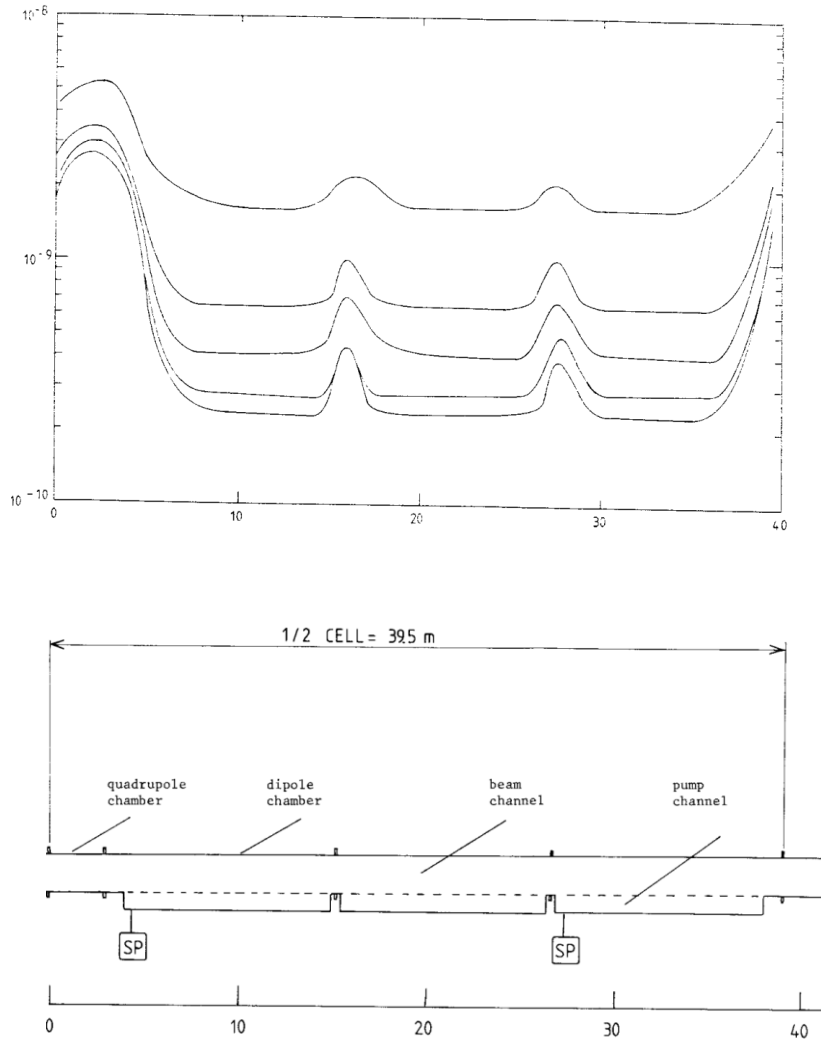
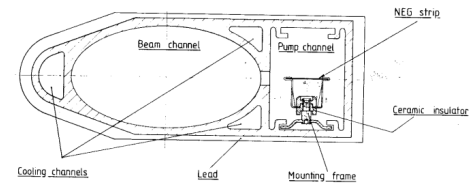
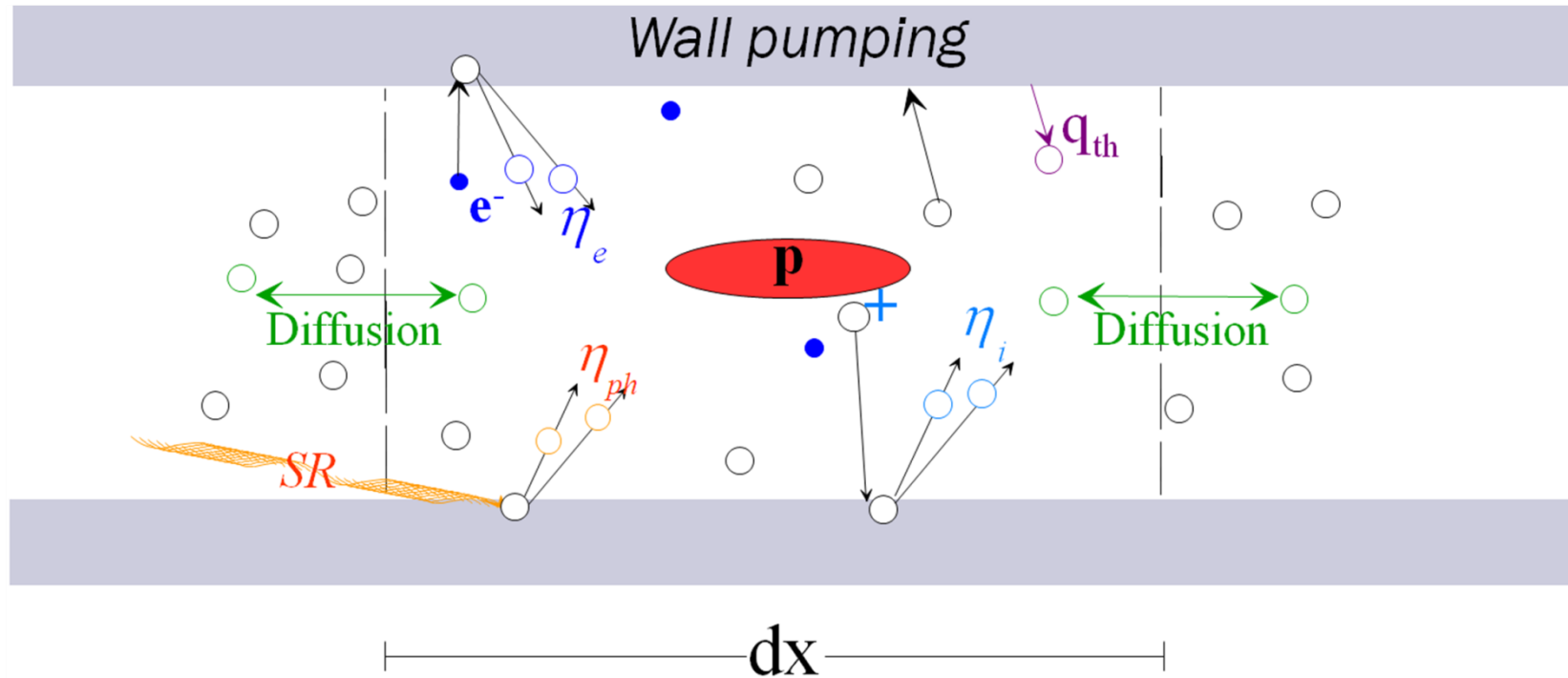


Fig1- CROSS-SECTION OF THE DIPOLE VACUUM CHAMBER

Pressure profiles for different pumping probability s for the NEG strip ($0.0085 < s < 0.17$)



VASCO : a code to study vacuum stability



The changing rate of the number of molecules per unit volume:

- ◆ Molecular diffusion
- ◆ Beam induced dynamic effects: ion, electron and photon induced molecular desorption.
- ◆ Gas pumping distributed along the beam pipe: NEG and Cryo
- ◆ Gas lumped pumping: Sputtered ion pumps

Gas Balance Equation

VASCO: Multi-gas code to calculate gas density profile in uhv system, A. Rossi. CERN LHC Project Note 341, 2004

$$V \frac{\partial n_g}{\partial t} = a \cdot D_g \cdot \frac{\partial^2 n_g}{\partial x^2} + \frac{I}{e} \sum_j \left\{ \eta_{i,j^+ \rightarrow g} \sigma_j^b \cdot n_j \right\} - \left(\frac{A \cdot v_g}{4} \cdot \alpha_g + C_g \right) \cdot n_g + \eta_{ph,g} \cdot \dot{\Gamma}_{ph} + \eta_{e,g} \cdot \dot{\Gamma}_e + A \cdot q_g$$

Time variation of particles in volume V
Diffusion through surface a

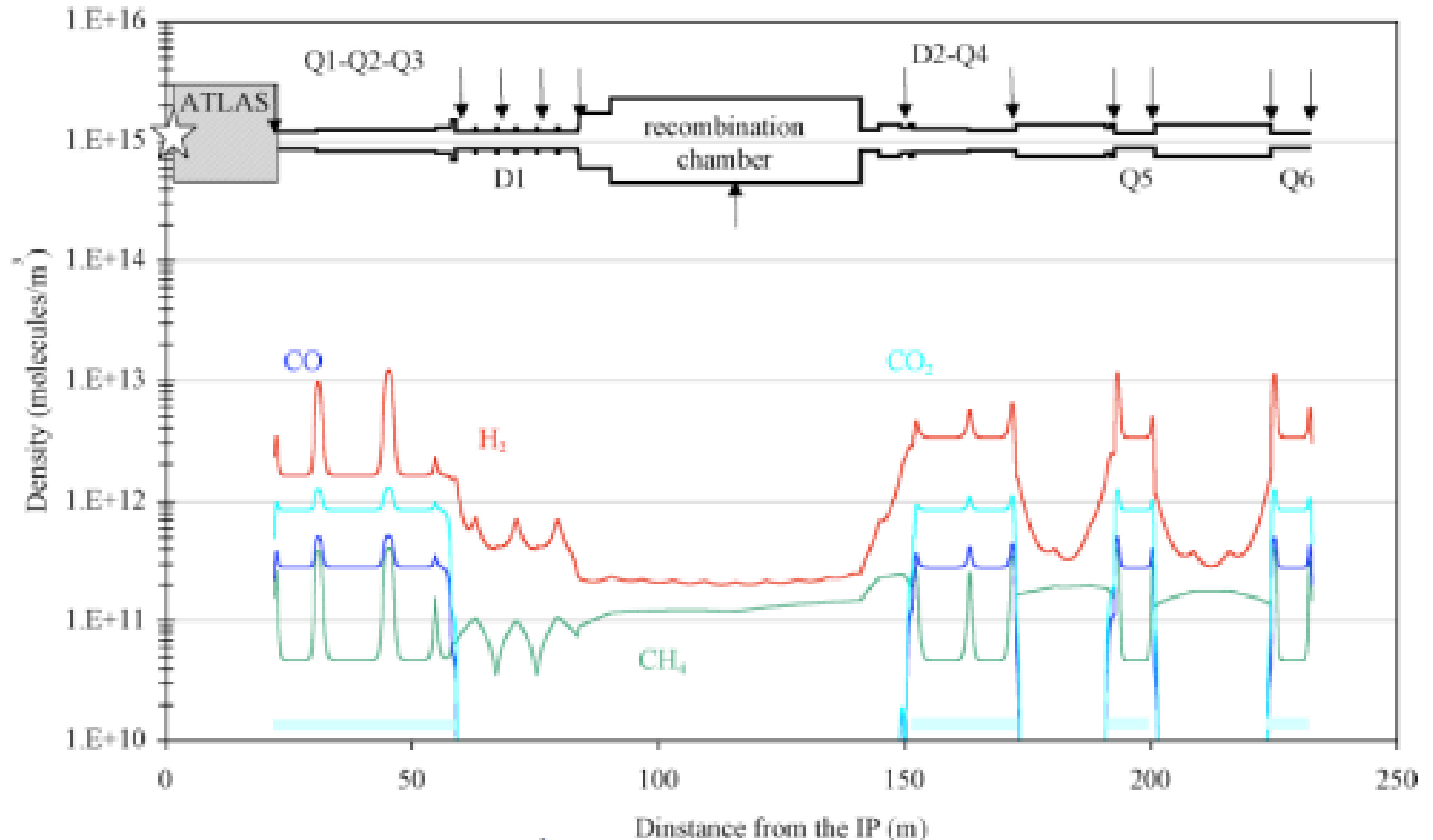
Ionization by beam and desorption by the ions
Distributed pumping of NEG or Cryo
Desorption by photons
Desorption by electron
Thermal desorption

Multi Gas Model

MULTI GAS MODEL

- ❖ Dominant gas species present in a vacuum system: H₂, CH₄, CO and CO₂
- ❖ The “multi gas” model takes into account that each of the gas species, once ionized, can desorbs any species both from the wall beam pipes or the condensed gas layer in a cryogenic system
- ❖ The equation of each species **depends on the gas densities of other species**, and all the equations results inter-dependent

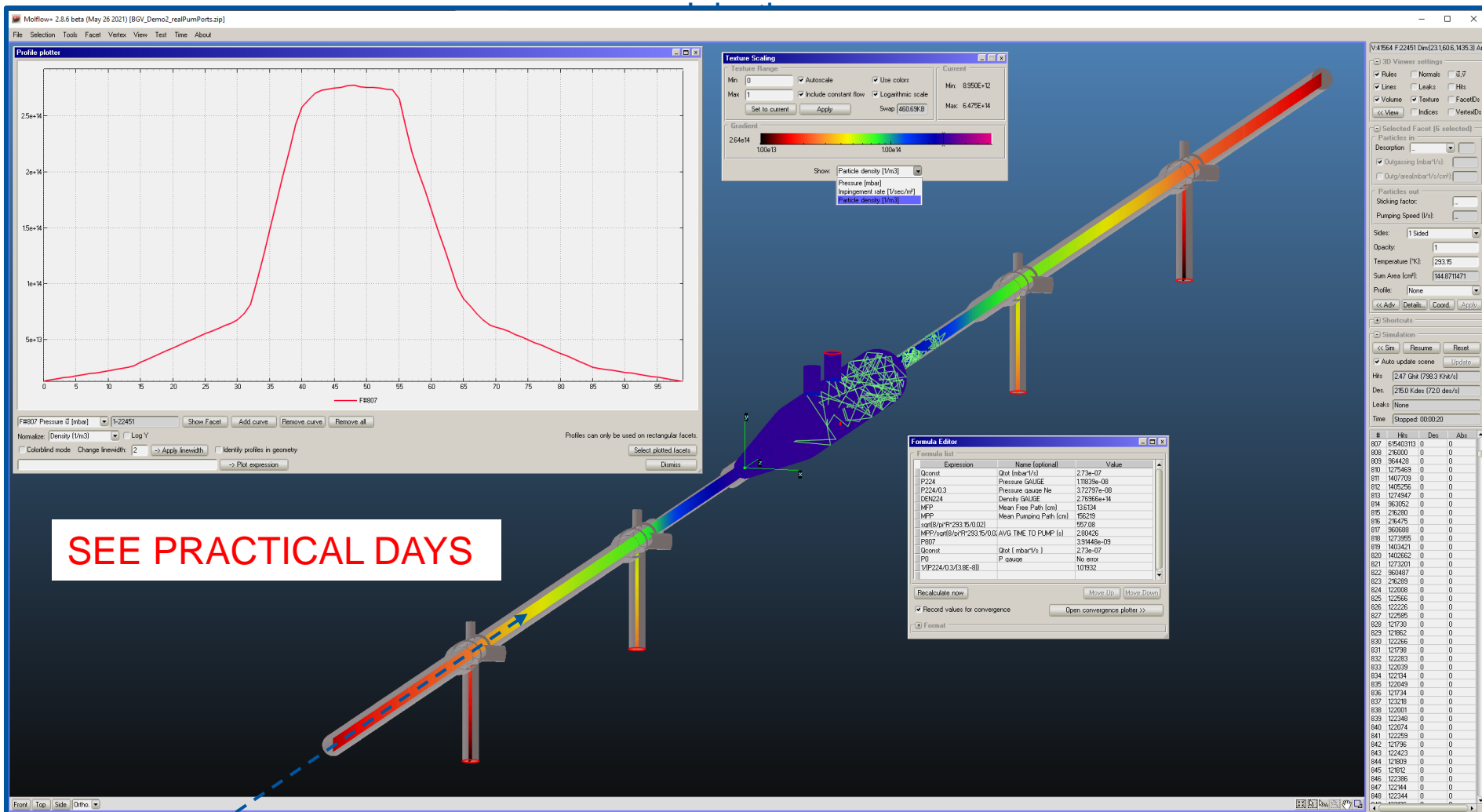
Gas density profile around ATLAS



A. Rossi, CERN LHC PR 783, 2004.

Gas density profile simulation: Molflow+

A Test-Particle Monte-Carlo Simulator for molecular flow: example of LHC's BGV, Neon



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3. The LHC case

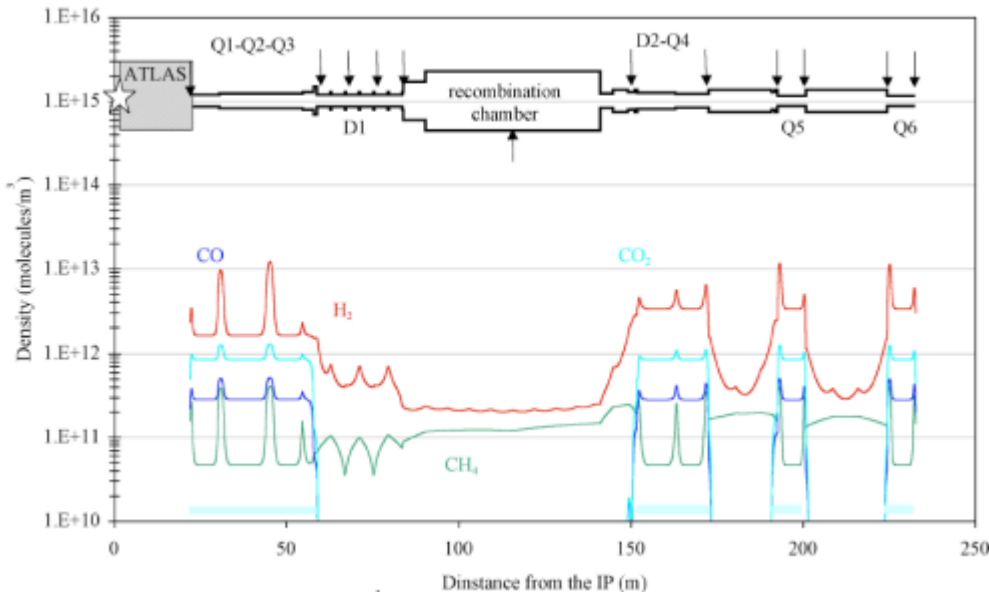
3.1 Design

Design value : a challenge with circulating beams

- **Life time limit** due to nuclear scattering ~ 100 h
 - $n \sim 10^{15}$ H₂/m³
 - $\langle P_{arc} \rangle < 10^{-8}$ mbar H₂-equivalent
 - ~ 80 mW/m heat load in the cold mass due to proton scattering

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\sigma c n} \qquad P_{cold\ mass} = \frac{I E}{c \tau}$$

- **Minimise background** to the LHC experiments

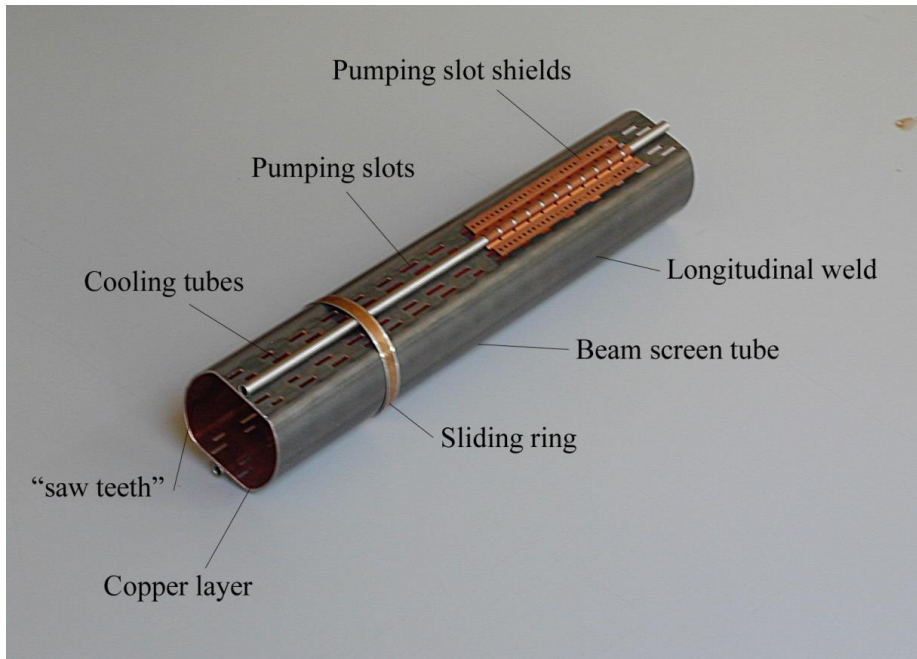


| | H _{2_eq} / m ³ | mbar |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| $\langle LSS_{1\ or\ 5} \rangle$ | $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{12}$ | 10^{-10} |
| $\langle ATLAS \rangle$ | $\sim 10^{11}$ | 10^{-11} |
| $\langle CMS \rangle$ | $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{12}$ | 10^{-10} |

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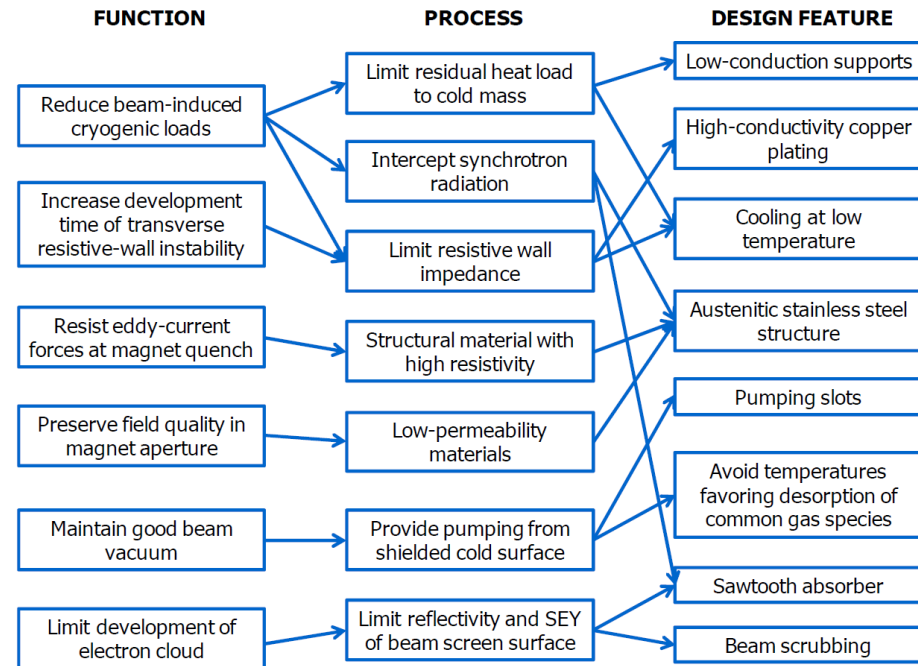
New System: LHC Beam Screens Functionalities

- An **innovative and complex** system, produced at several 10 km scale !
- **Intercept the heat load** induced by the circulating beam
- Operate between 5 and 20 K
- Pumping holes to **control the gas density**



Courtesy N. Kos CERN TE/VSC

Functional design map of beam screen



P. Lebrun et al.

Why Perforated Beam Screen ?

- SSC studies in 1994 V.V. Anashin *et al.* J. Vac. Sci. Technol. A. 12(5) , Sep/Oct 1994

No perforations

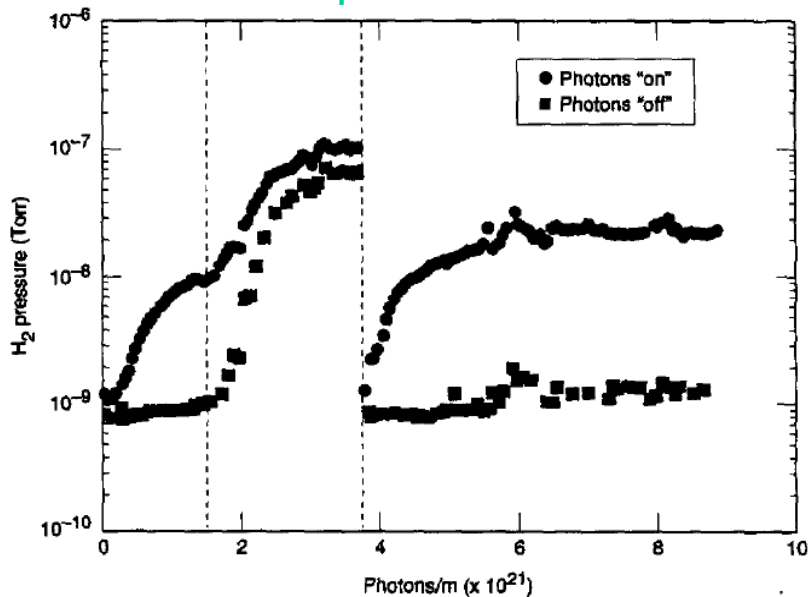


FIG. 1. Room-temperature RGA H₂ pressure measured at the center of the 4.2-K beam tube vs integrated photon flux with photons on and photons off. The raw pressure difference "on" minus "off" has been normalized to 1 × 10¹⁶ photons/m/s. The vertical dashed lines correspond to features discussed in the text.

With perforations

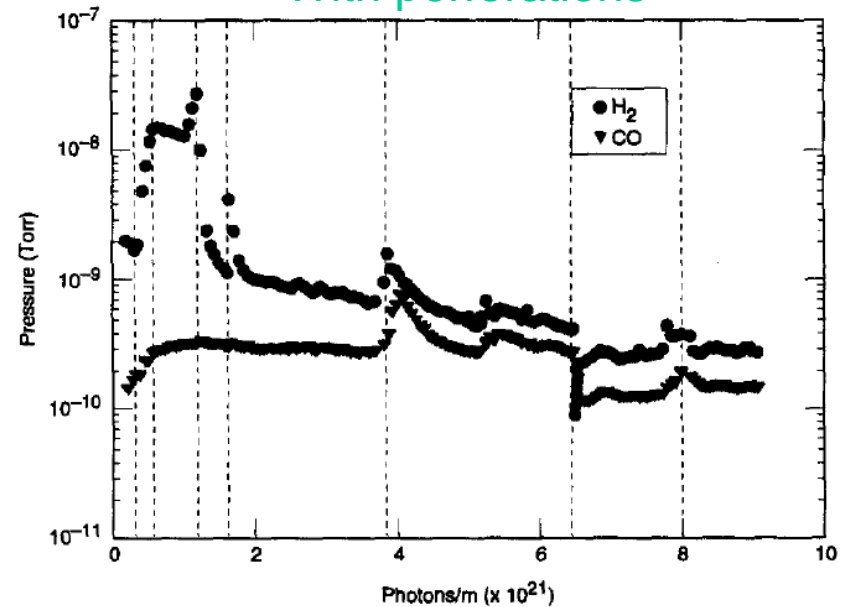
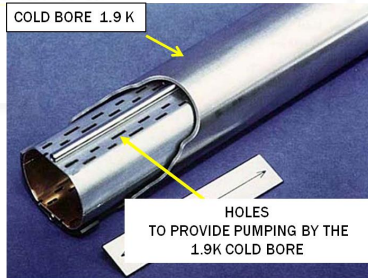


FIG. 2. Room-temperature RGA H₂ and CO dynamic pressures measured at the center of the liner configuration. Dynamic pressure is normalized to 1 × 10¹⁶ photons/m/s.



A perforated beam screen allows to control the gas density

SSC proton-proton collider project, Dallas, TX USA; 20+20 TeV beam energy; Cancelled by US Congress in 1994

Gas density & surface coverage equations

V.V. Anashin *et al.* J. Vac. Sci. Technol. A. 12(5) , Sep/Oct 1994

$$V \frac{\partial n}{\partial t} = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Photodesorption}}}{\eta \dot{\Gamma}} + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Recycling}}}{\eta' \dot{\Gamma}} + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Vapour pressure}}}{\frac{A \Theta}{\tau}} - \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Wall pumping}}}{\sigma S n} - \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Holes pumping}}}{C n} + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Axial diffusion}}}{A_c D} \frac{\partial^2 n}{\partial z^2}$$

$$A \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} = \sigma S n - \eta' \dot{\Gamma} - \frac{A \Theta}{\tau}$$

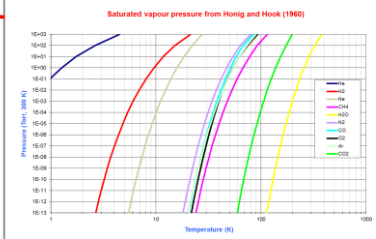
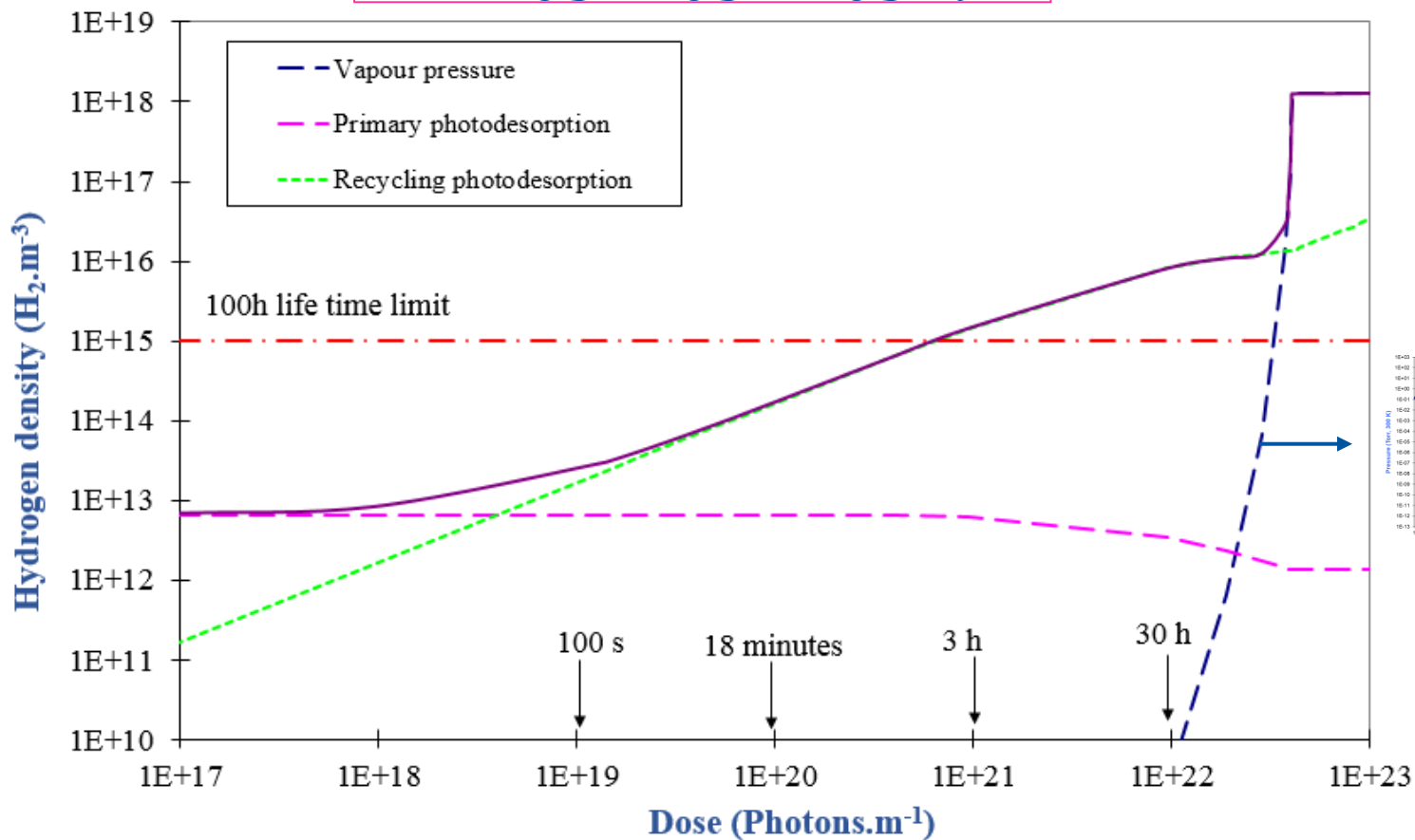
• with:

n gas density, s surface coverage, V volume per unit length, A surface per unit length, $A_c D$ axial diffusion term of molecules, σ sticking probability, S ideal speed per unit length, C beam screen holes pumping speed per unit length, τ sojourn time of physisorbed molecule, η desorption yield of chemisorbed molecules, η' recycling desorption yield of physisorbed molecules,

Cryosorbing tube without holes

- **Infinitely long tube** ($A_c D=0$), without beam screen ($C=0$) and **quasi static conditions**:
 → Three terms adds: primary, recycling desorption and vapour pressure

$$n = \frac{\eta \dot{\Gamma}}{\sigma S} + \frac{\eta' \dot{\Gamma}}{\sigma S} + \frac{1}{\sigma S} \frac{A \Theta}{\tau}$$

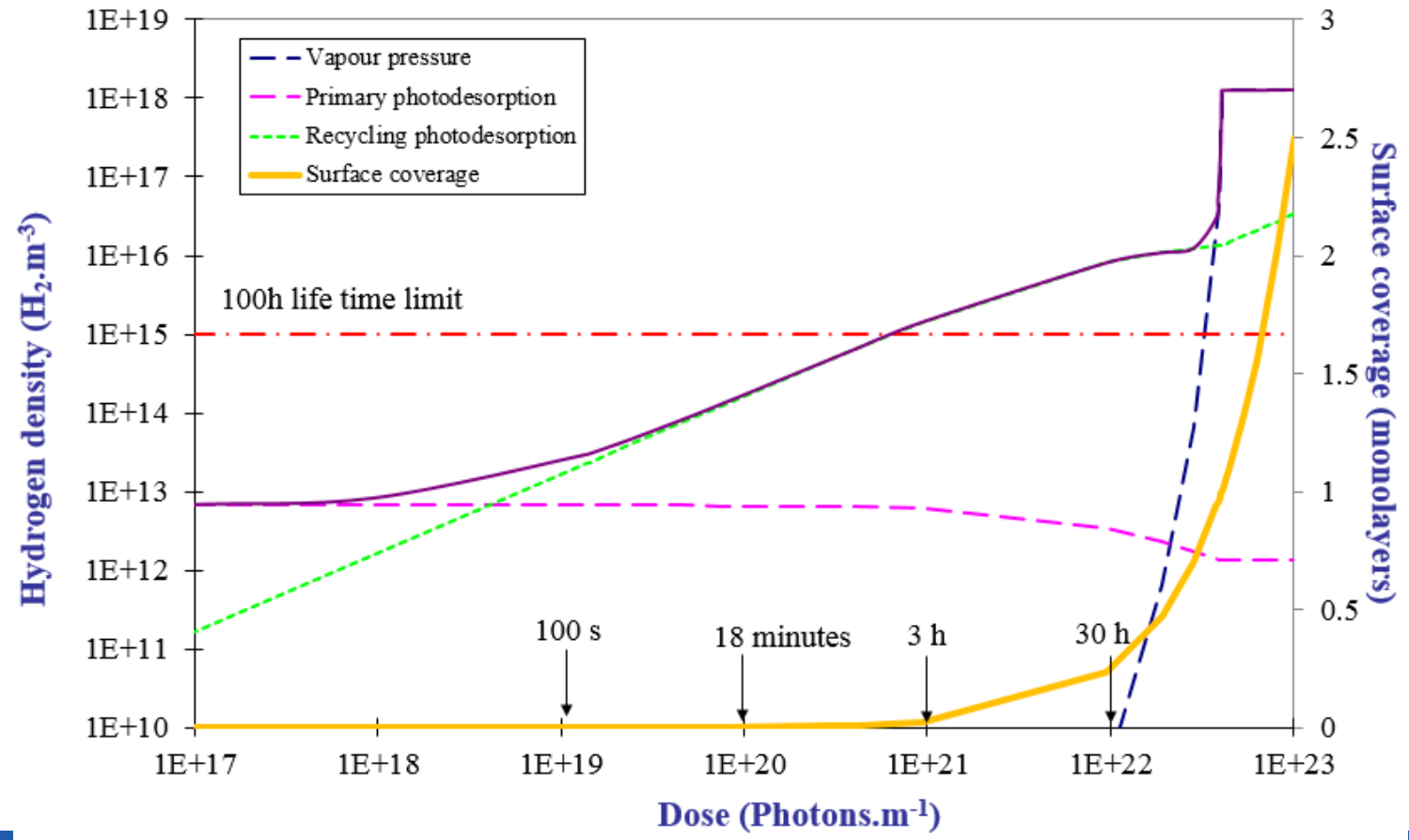


Cryosorbing tube without holes

$$n = \frac{\eta \dot{\Gamma}}{\sigma S} + \frac{\eta'(\Theta) \dot{\Gamma}}{\sigma S} + \frac{1}{\sigma S} \frac{A \Theta}{\tau}$$

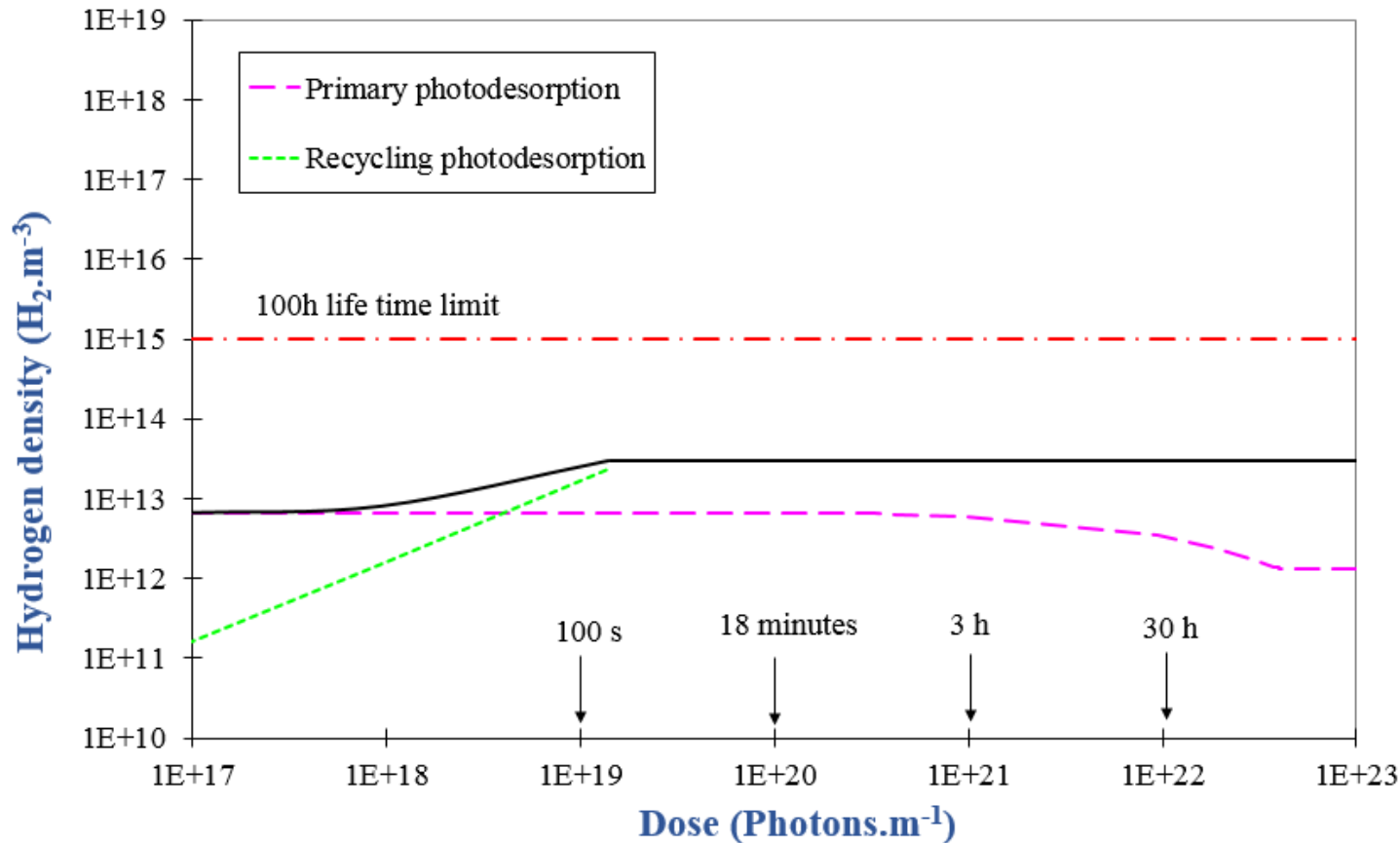
← Increase with the surface coverage, Θ

$$\Theta = \frac{1}{A} \int_0^{\Gamma} \eta d\Gamma$$



Perforated beam screen

- Infinitely long tube ($A_c D=0$), with a beam screen ($C \neq 0$) and quasi static conditions:
 - The equilibrium pressure n_{eq} is defined by the perforation conductance

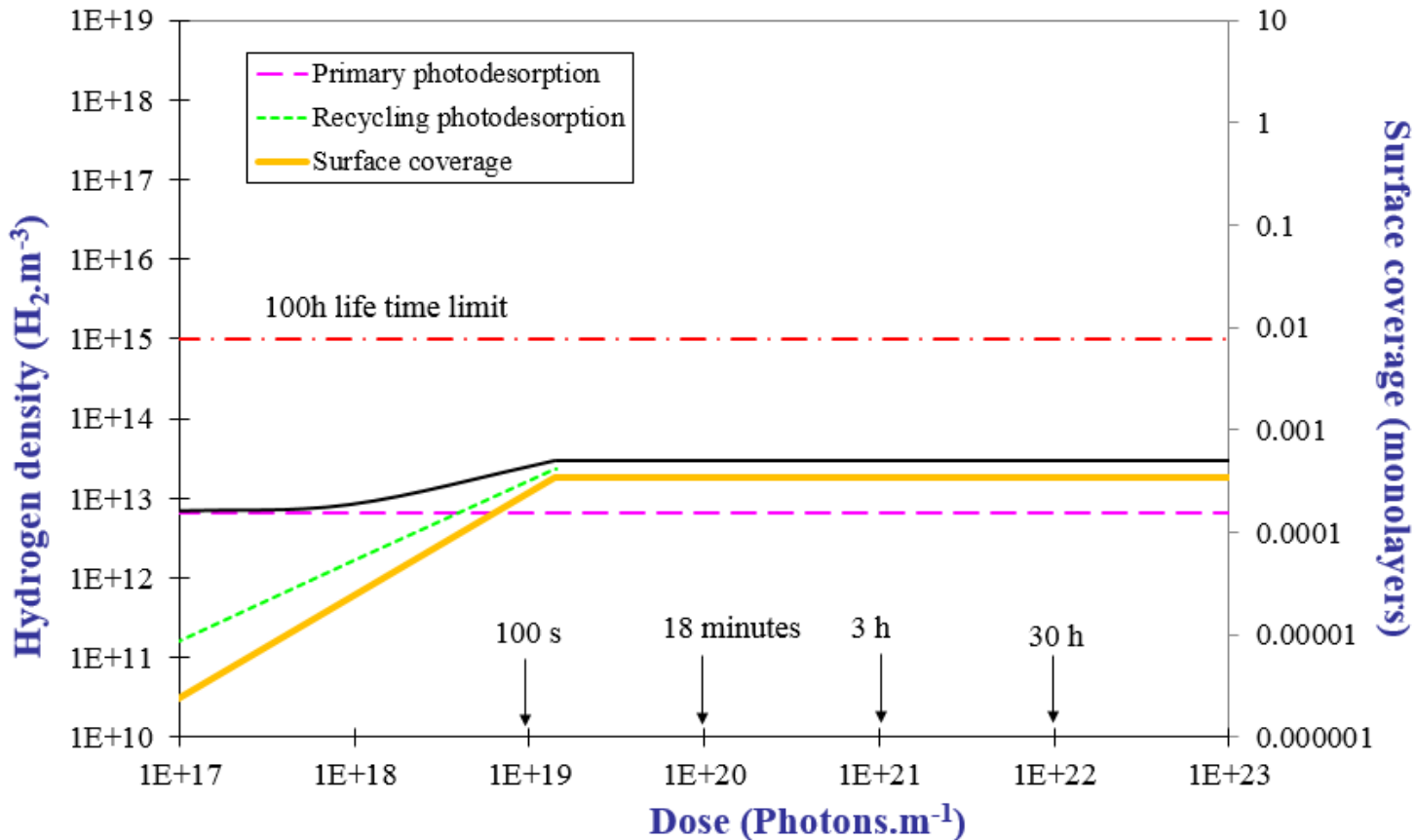


$$n_{eq} = \frac{\eta \dot{\Gamma}}{C}$$

A perforated beam screen allows to control the gas density

Perforated beam screen

- Infinitely long tube ($A_c D=0$), with a beam screen ($C=0$) and quasi static conditions:
 - The equilibrium coverage is a fraction of a monolayer



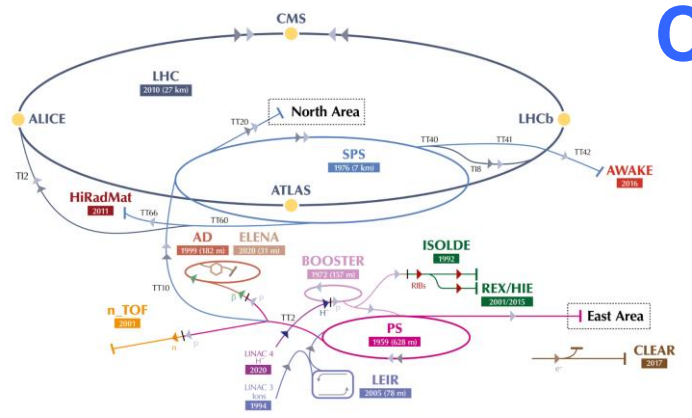
$$\theta_{eq} = \left(\frac{\sigma S}{C} \frac{\eta}{\eta_0} \right) \theta_m$$

A perforated beam screen allows to control the surface coverage

3.2 Arc Vacuum System

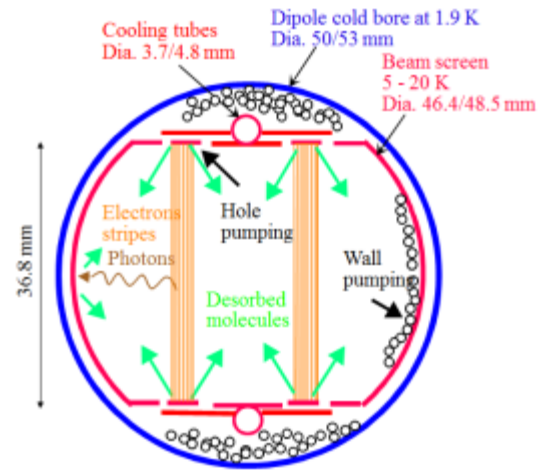
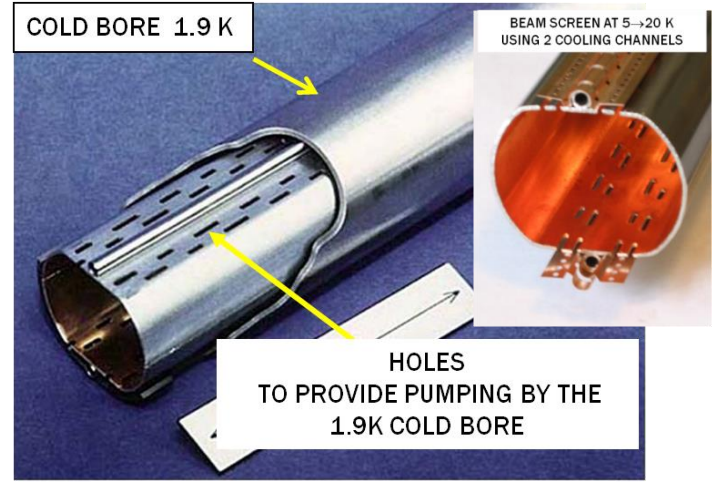
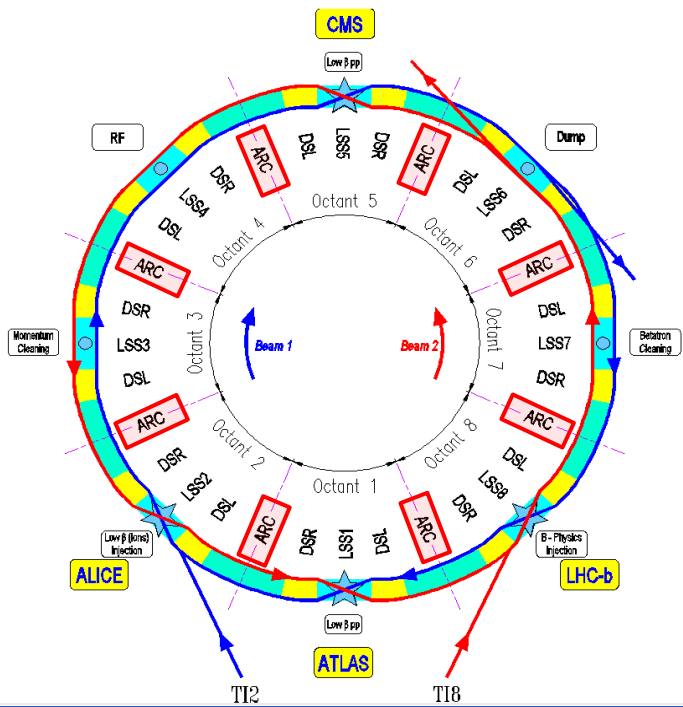
Cryogenic Beam Vacuum

2 independent beam pipes per arc:
8 arcs of 2.8 km each
22.4 km in total

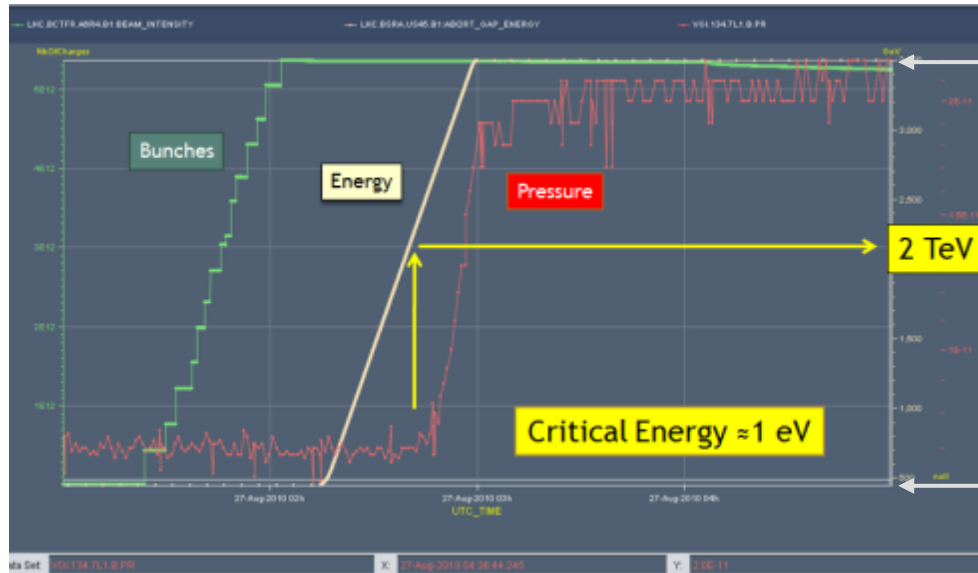


▶ H⁻ (hydrogen anions) ▶ p (protons) ▶ ions ▶ RIBs (Radioactive Ion Beams) ▶ n (neutrons) ▶ \bar{p} (antiprotons) ▶ e⁻ (electrons)

LHC - Large Hadron Collider // SPS - Super Proton Synchrotron // PS - Proton Synchrotron // AD - Antiproton Decelerator // CLEAR - CERN Linear Electron Accelerator for Research // AWAKE - Advanced WAKEfield Experiment // ISOLDE - Isotope Separator OnLine // REX/HIE - Radioactive Experiment/High Intensity and Energy ISOLDE // LEIR - Low Energy Ion Ring // LINAC - LINear ACcelerator // n_TOF - Neutrons Time Of Flight // HiRadMat - High-Radiation to Materials



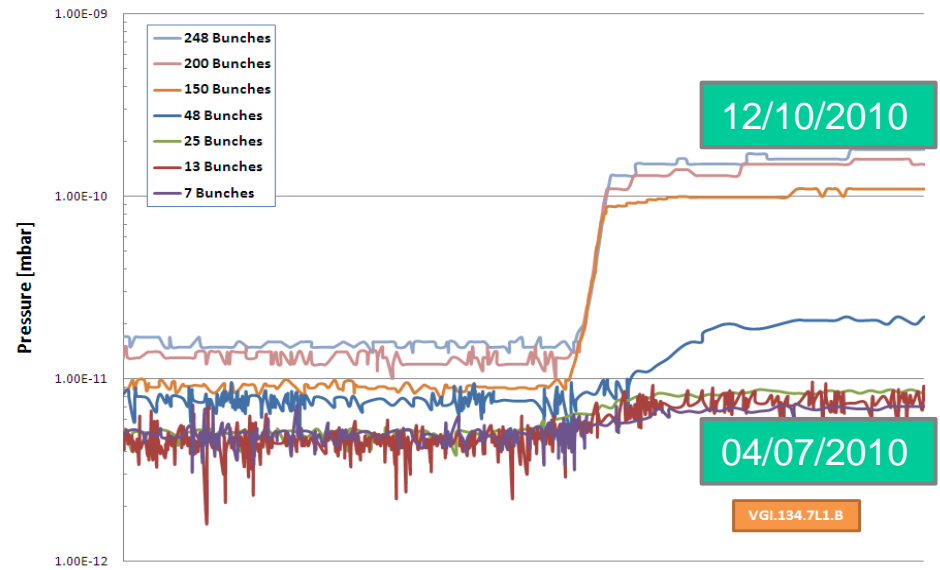
First Observation of Synchrotron Radiation: Aug-2010



- 3500 GeV (now 6500 GeV)
- Pressure rise during the beam energy ramp
- At E= 2 TeV, Critical energy 1 eV, pressure starts to rise
- 450 GeV (injection from SPS)

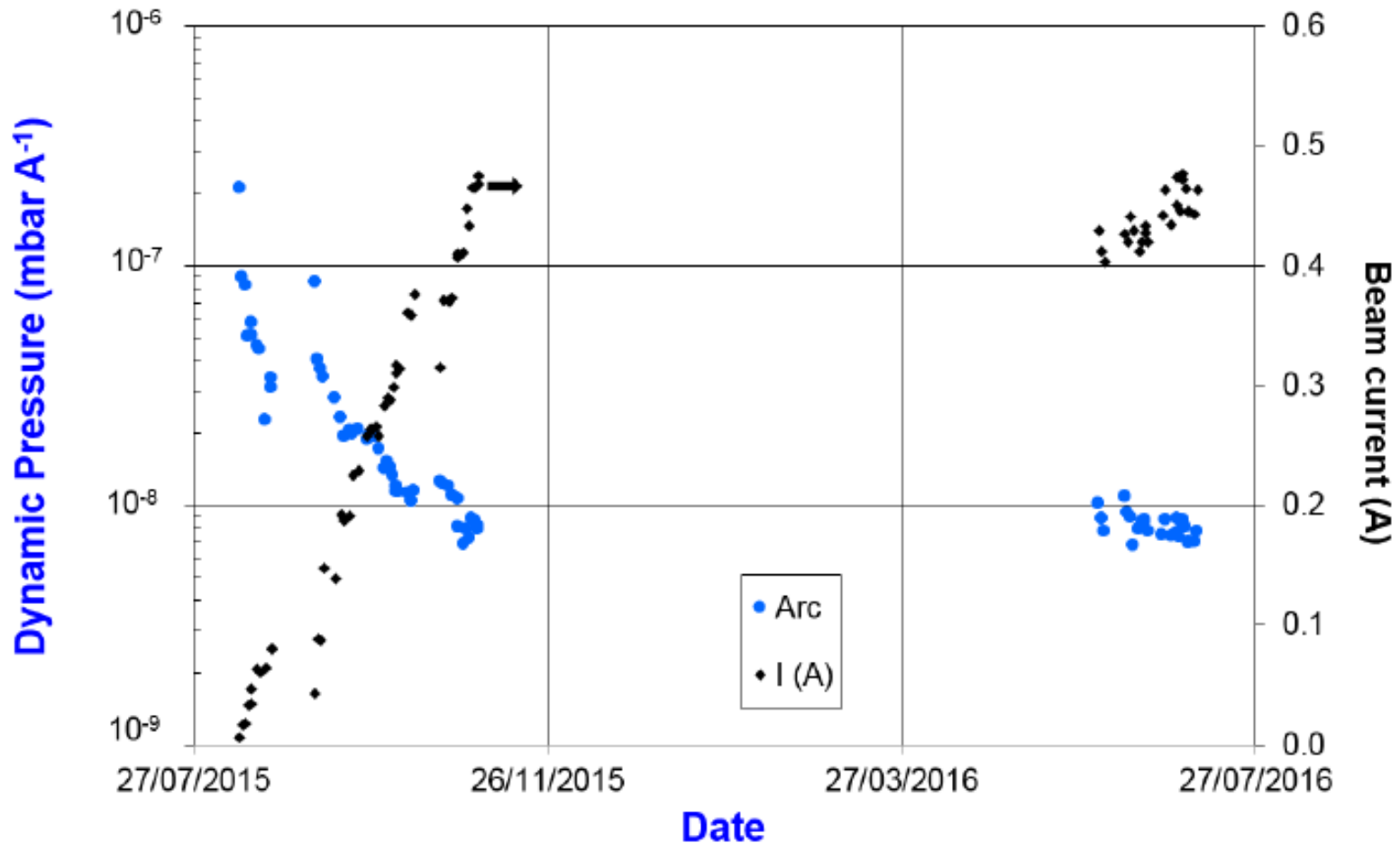


- Dynamic pressure increases with beam current
- $\Delta P = 2 \cdot 10^{-10}$ mbar



Beam conditioning in the LHC arcs

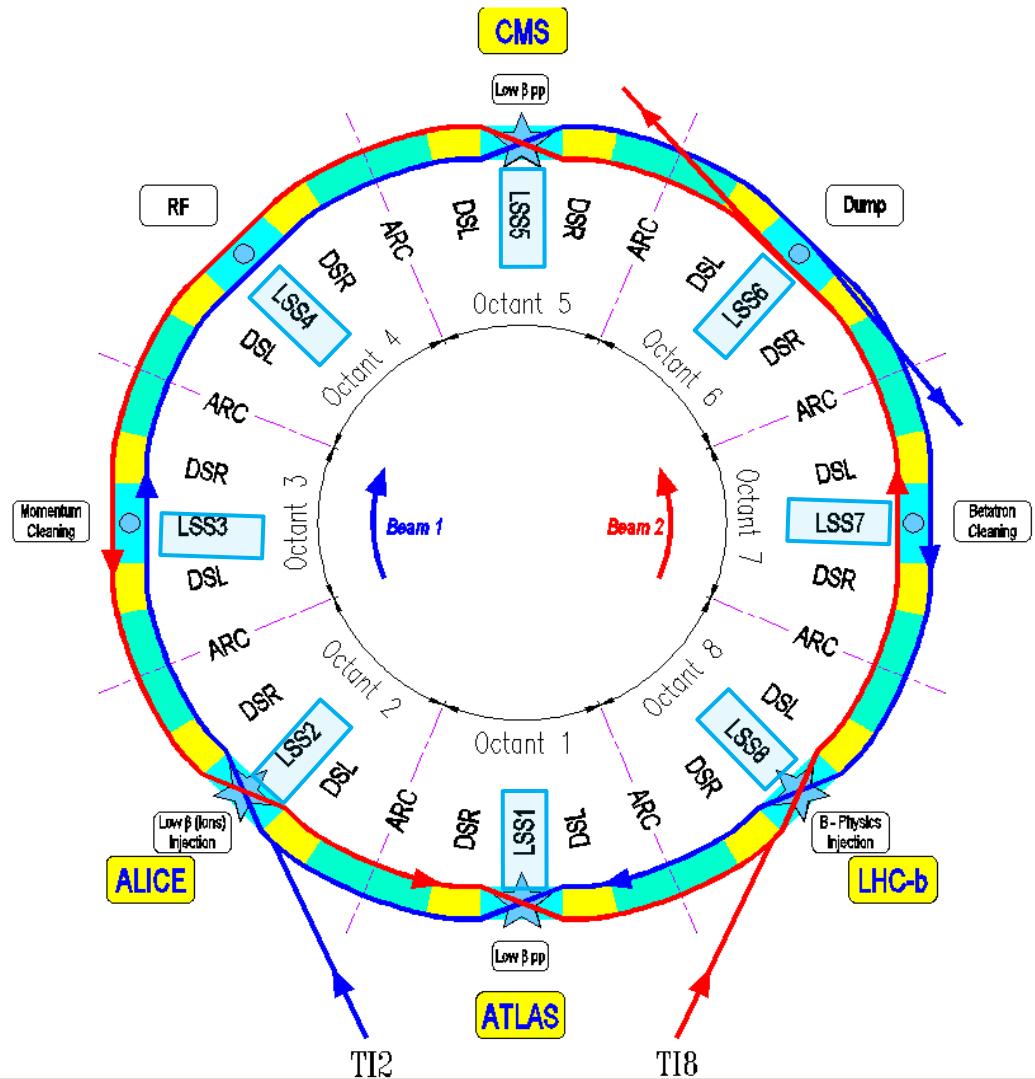
- Dynamic pressure reduction during LHC commissioning.



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3.3 Room Temp. Vacuum System

Room Temperature Beam Vacuum



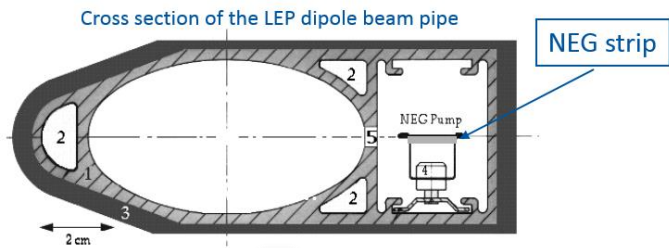
6 km of RT beam vacuum in the long straight sections

Extensive use of NEG coatings

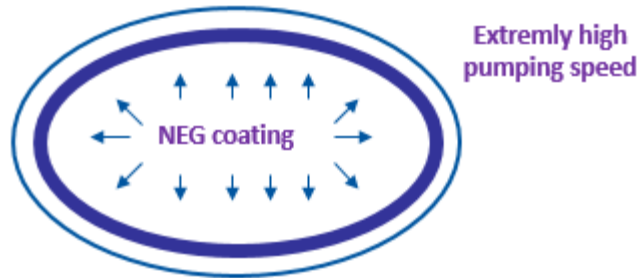
Pressure $<10^{-11}$ mbar after vacuum activation

New System: NEG film coating

- Invention of low activation temperature getter film
=> **full** pumping across the beam pipe
- Some vacuum chambers were constructed and getter coated ...
- ~ 1,200 vacuum chambers produced (typically 8m-long, 80 mm diameter, 2 mm copper, brazed flanges)



Cross section of an LHC warm dipole beam pipe



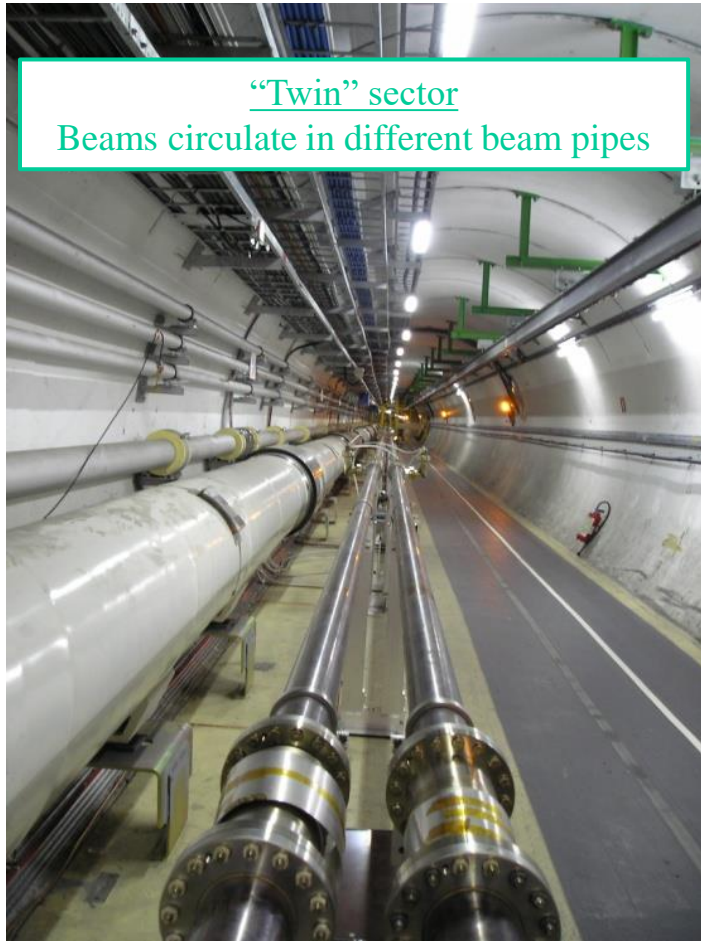
C. Benvenuti *et al.*



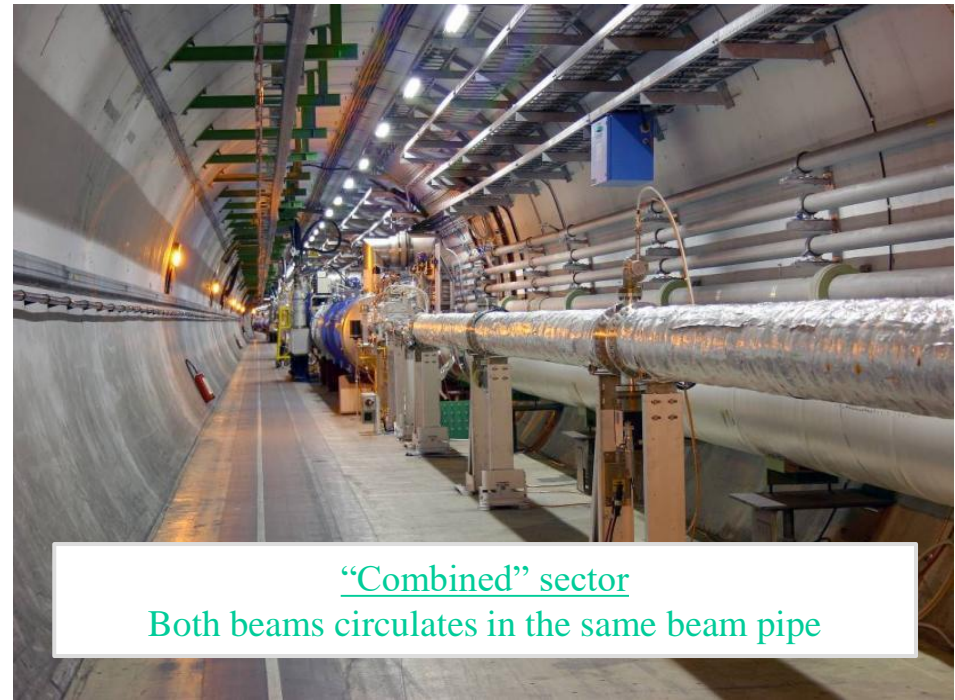
Courtesy R.Veness and P. Chiggiato

Room Temperature Vacuum System

- and installed inside the LHC tunnel
- to bring the separated beams from the arcs into a single beam pipe for the experiments (held at room temperature !)



“Twin” sector
Beams circulate in different beam pipes



“Combined” sector
Both beams circulates in the same beam pipe

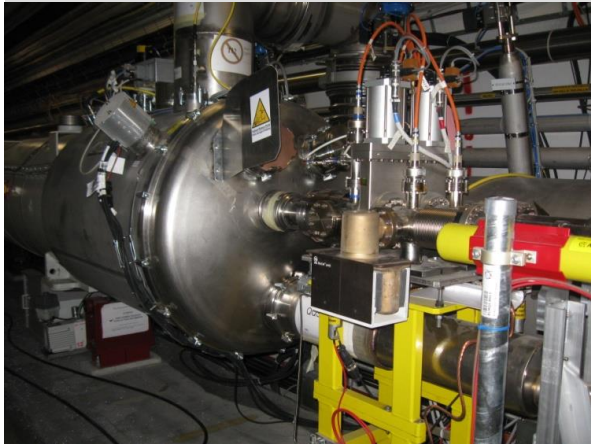
Room Temperature Vacuum Sectors

- 185 vacuum sectors at RT
- From 1 m till 150 m long
- Contains : kickers, septum, collimators, masks, beam instrumentation ...
- **Separation** of baked from cryogenic unbaked vacuum sectors

From 28 m up to 115 m NEG beam pipes

sector
valve

Penning
Gauge

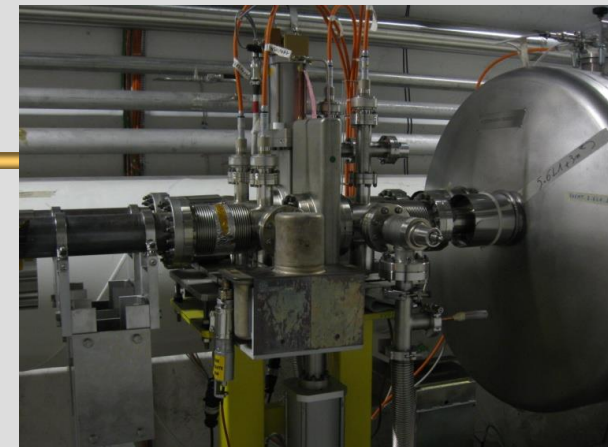


Bayard-Alpert
Gauge



Penning
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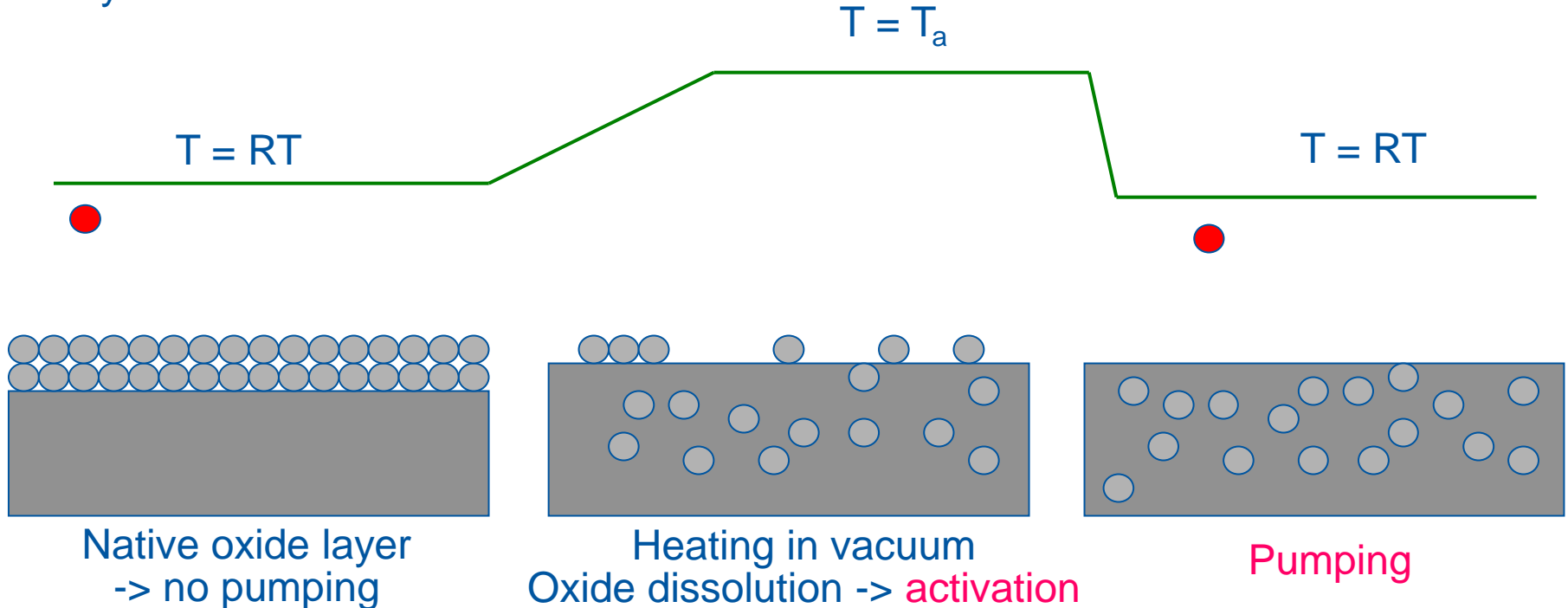
sector
valve



Conductance (N_2) for a 7 meters NEG chamber ≈ 9 l/s

Non-Evaporable Getter (NEG)

- Getters are materials capable of chemically adsorbing gas molecules. To do so their surface must be clean. For Non-Evaporable Getters a clean surface is obtained by **heating to a temperature high enough** to dissolve the native oxide layer into the bulk.

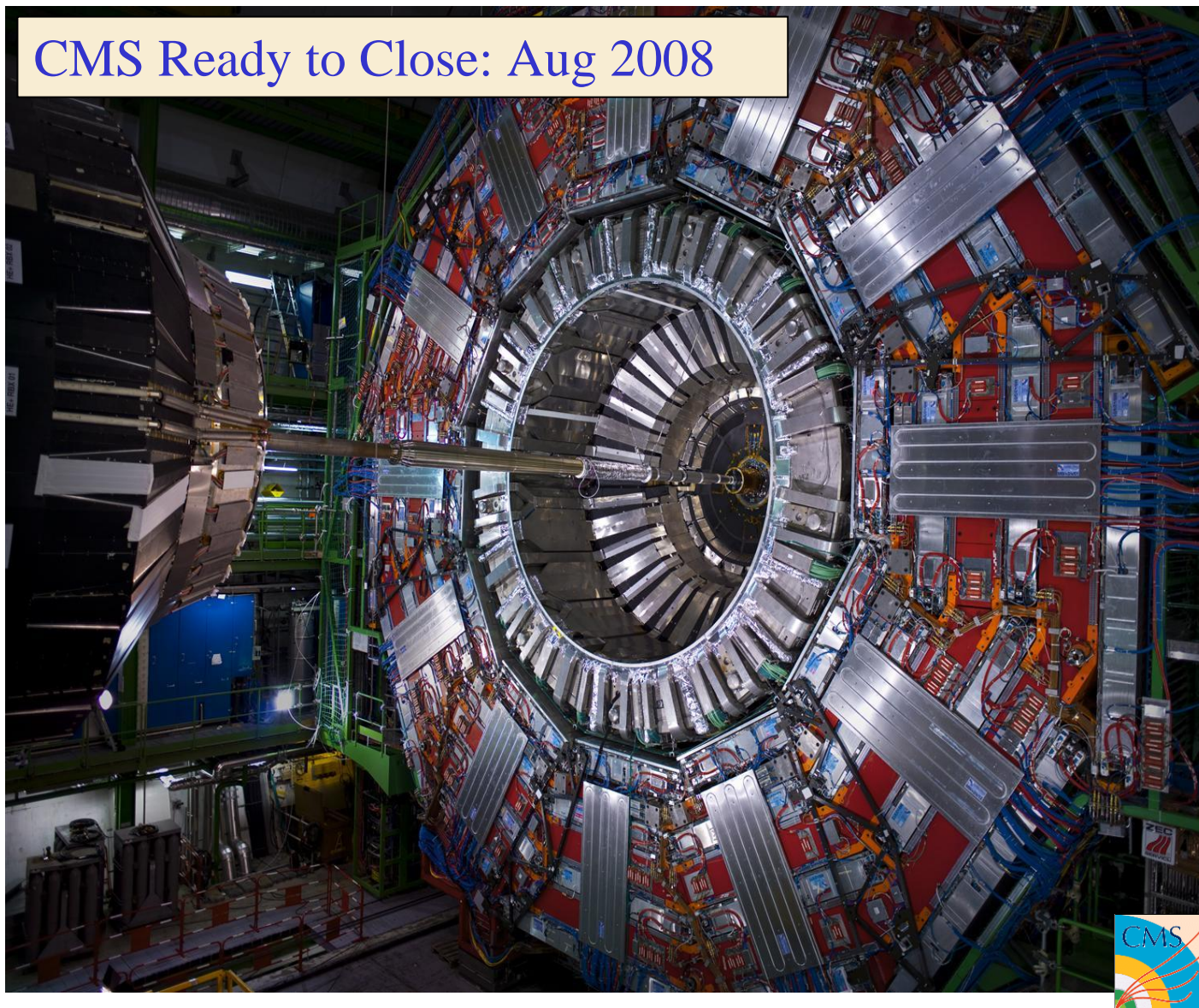


- NEGs pump most of the gas except rare gases and methane at room temperature

P. Chiggiato and P. Costa Pinto, Thin Solid Films, 515 (2006) 382-388

And of Course ... Through the LHC Experiments

CMS Ready to Close: Aug 2008



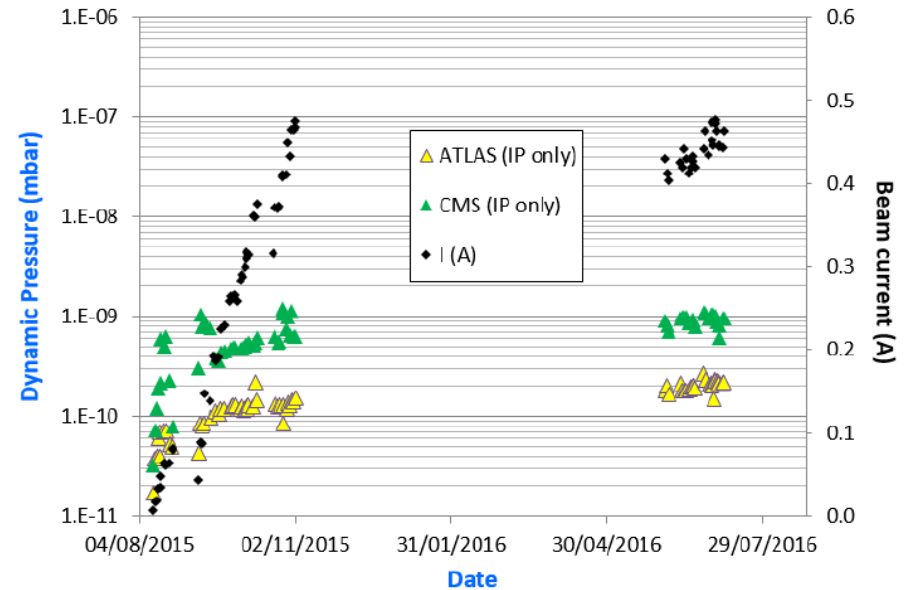
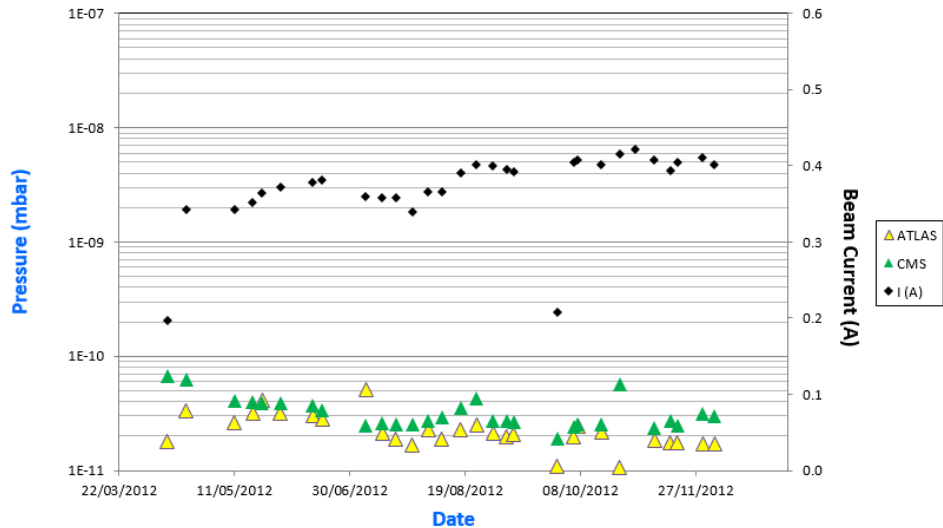
Beam Pipe Installation in ATLAS Before Closure



LHC Experimental Areas

- NEG coated vacuum system
=> Large pumping speeds, low SEY and desorption yields
- $\langle P_{\text{LHC Experiments}} \rangle \sim 5 \cdot 10^{-10}$ mbar => with 25 ns bunch spacing and 450 mA
=> No background issues: within specifications
- $\langle P_{\text{LHC Experiments}} \rangle$ with 50 ns beams
 - ~ $5 \cdot 10^{-10}$ mbar in 2011 at 375 mA
 - ~ $3 \cdot 10^{-11}$ mbar in 2012 at 400 mA
- $\langle P_{\text{LHC Experiments}} \rangle$ with 25 ns beams
 - ~ $5 \cdot 10^{-10}$ mbar in at 450 mA and 25 ns bunch spacing

2012: LHC Experiments Average Pressure with 50 ns Beam (IP only)



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High Luminosity LHC Beam Screens

- Provide vacuum stability, control gas density
- **Protect the Triplet cold mass** against particle collision debris, $L = 5 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ Hz/cm}^2$

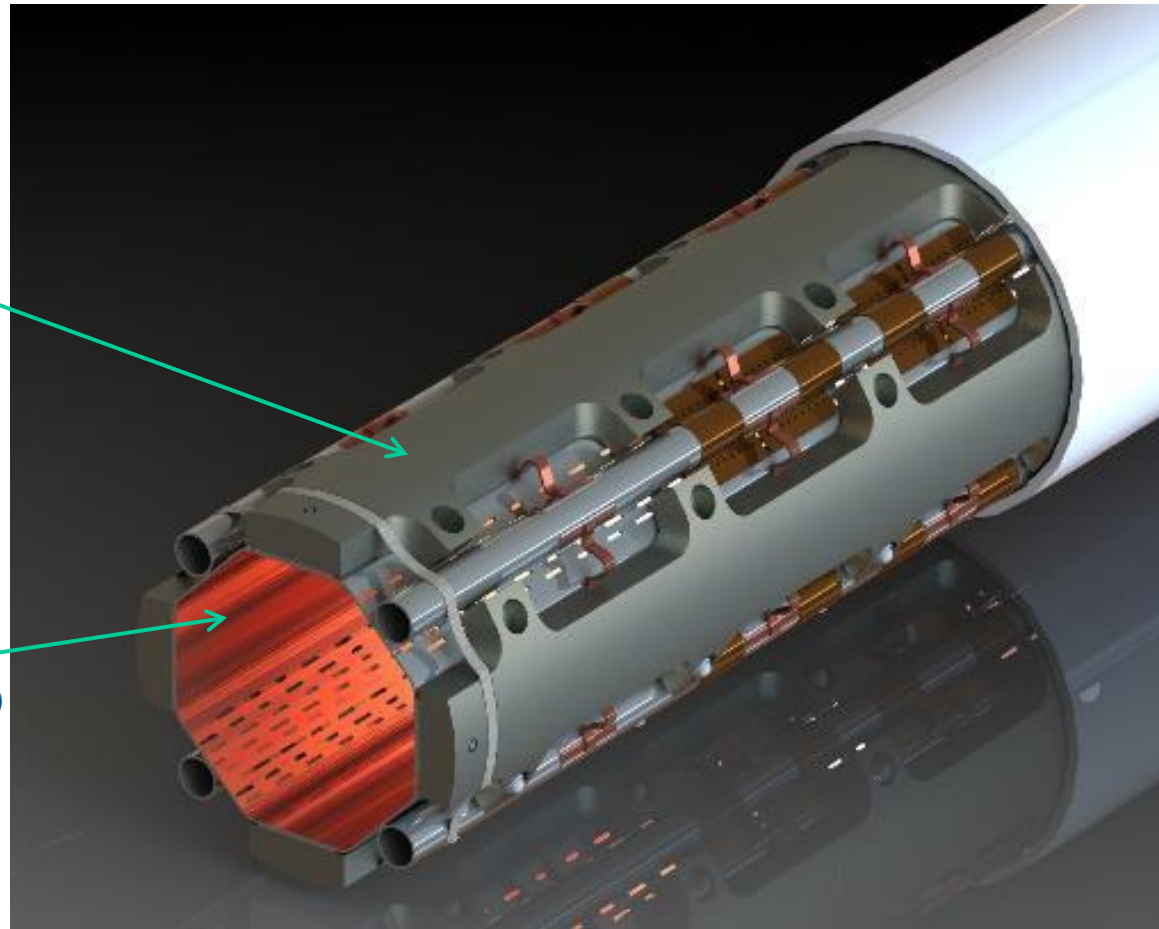
Cold bore (CB) at 1.9 K:
4 mm thick tube in 316LN

Tungsten alloy blocks:

- Heat load: 15-25 W/m
- 40 cm long

Beam screen tube (BS) at 60-75 K:

- Perforated tube (~2%, 1600 l/s/m for H_2 at 300K)
- Internal copper layer (75 μm) for impedance
- a-C coating for e- cloud mitigation



Summary

- The **vacuum lifetime** in an accelerator is driven by elastic & inelastic **interactions**
- Accelerator vacuum systems can be **modelled** as a preliminary approach by simple sets of equations.
- Improved pressure (density) profiles can be **computed** using for instance montecarlo simulations (see practical days training for Molflow+ code)
- The LHC vacuum environment is affected by all possible (known) **vacuum effects**: photon-stimulated desorption, electron-stimulated desorption, electron-cloud, ion-instabilities, cryogenic instabilities, conductance limitations, material outgassing, beam induced heating...
- Accelerators **operate as designed...** but there is always room for **mistakes!**
- **Smart solutions** must be developed for specific issues
- **Laboratory studies** are needed to properly design a machine: large part of the studies are carried out by young students or scientists in their first phase of their career.

WE NEED YOU!

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