

Proton-nucleus collisions in the LHC: the first physics run

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Plan of talk

- Brief recapitulation
 - How we got here
 - Why p-Pb is special

The p-Pb feasibility test

- What we did, what we learned
- What we didn't do and still don't know

The 2012 p-Pb run

- Choices to be made
- pA in the LHC heavy-ion programme up to 2021 (LS3)

Nucleus-nucleus programme status

- □ In ~8 weeks total Pb-Pb operation in 2010-11, the LHC has attained
 - -Twice design Pb-Pb luminosity at half-design energy (scaling with E^2).
 - ~16% of the integrated luminosity goal (1 nb⁻¹) for the present phase of Pb-Pb.
- □ Pb-Pb in 2012 might give ~250 µb⁻¹
- Decision to go for p-Pb instead
 - Otherwise no p-Pb before 2016 or 2017
 - But this is a new, more complex and almost unprecedented mode of collider operation

pA operation of LHC: milestones

- LHC Design Report (2004) no mention
- pA workshop in 2005
 - "not part of LHC baseline", "a possible future upgrade", ... feasibility (RHIC D-Au)?
- LHC Performance workshop, Chamonix 2011
 - Request from ALICE for 2012
 - Feasibility test agreed for 2011, some resources allocated
- pA workshop and feasibility test in 2011
- This workshop and 2012 physics run
 - So now we are implementing the first LHC upgrade

Relation between Beam Momenta

LHC accelerates protons through the momentum range

0.45 TeV (injection from SPS) $\leq p_D \leq 7$ TeV (collision)

- $-p_p$ is measure of magnetic field in main bending magnets
- The two-in-one magnet design of the LHC fixes the relation between momenta of beams in the two rings

$$p_{Pb} = Zp_{pb}$$

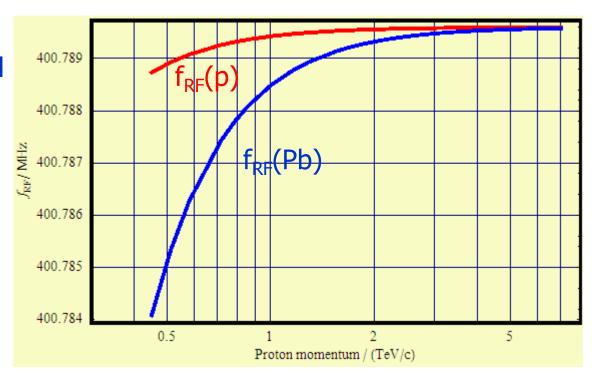
 $p_{Pb} = Zp_{p}$ where Z = 82, A = 208 for fully stripped Pb in LHC

RF Frequency for p and Pb in LHC

RF frequency
$$f_{RF} = \frac{h_{RF}}{T(p_p, m, Q)}$$

where the harmonic number $h_{RF} \in \square$, $h_{RF} = 35640$ in LHC

RF frequencies needed to keep p or Pb on stable *central* orbit of constant length *C* are different at low energy.



No problem in terms of hardware as LHC has independent RF systems in each ring.

Distorting the Closed Orbit

- n Additional degree of freedom: adjust length of closed orbits to compensate different speeds of species.
 - Done by adjusting RF frequency

$$T(p_{p}, m, Q) = \frac{C}{c} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{mc}{Qp_{p}}\right)^{2}} (1 + \eta \delta)$$

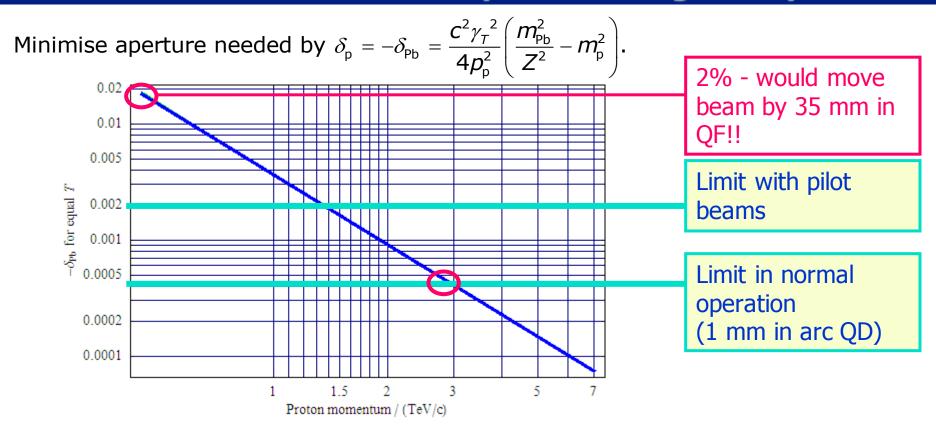
where $\delta = \frac{(p - Qp_p)}{Qp_p}$ is a fractional momentum deviation and

the phase-slip factor
$$\eta = \frac{1}{\gamma_T^2} - \frac{1}{\gamma^2}$$
, $\gamma = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{Qp_p}{mc}\right)^2}$, $\gamma_T = 55.8$ for LHC optics.

Moves beam on to off-momentum orbit, longer for $\delta > 0$.

Horizontal offset given by dispersion: $\Delta x = D_x(s) \delta$.

Momentum offset required through ramp

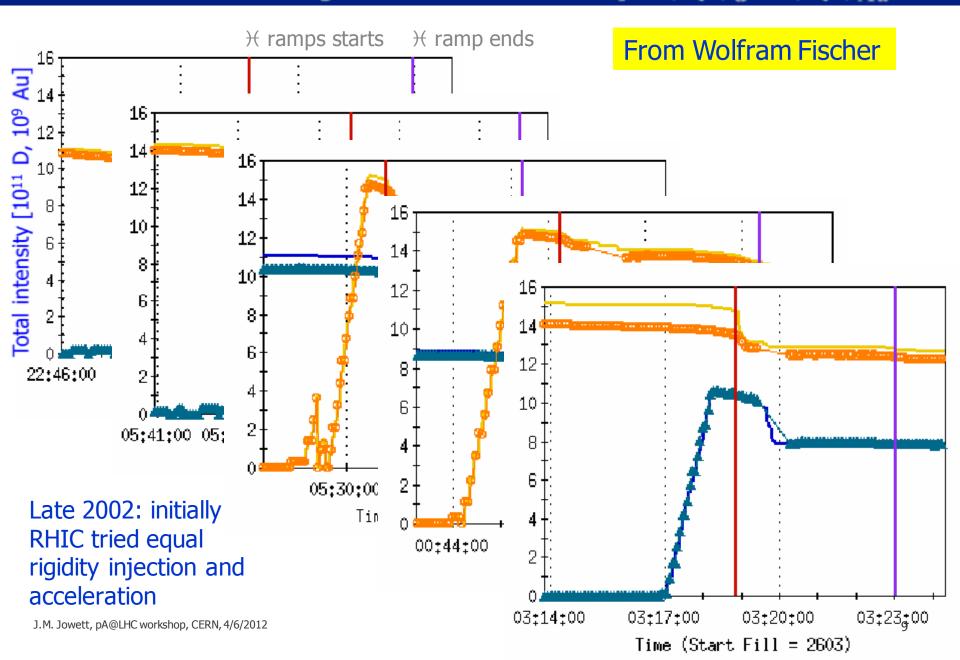


Revolution frequencies must be equal for collisions at top energy.

Lower limit on beam energy for p-Pb collisions, E=2.7 Z TeV.

RF frequencies must be unequal for injection, ramp!

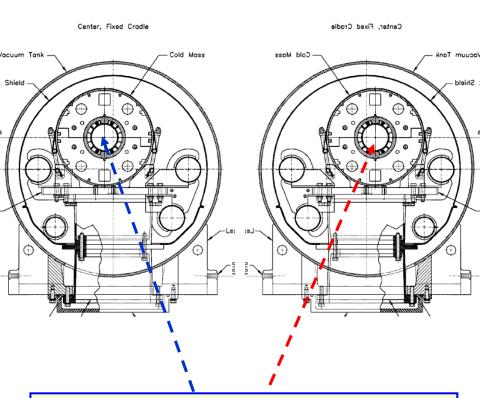
RHIC D-Au injection and ramp $(B\rho)_d = (B\rho)_{Au}$



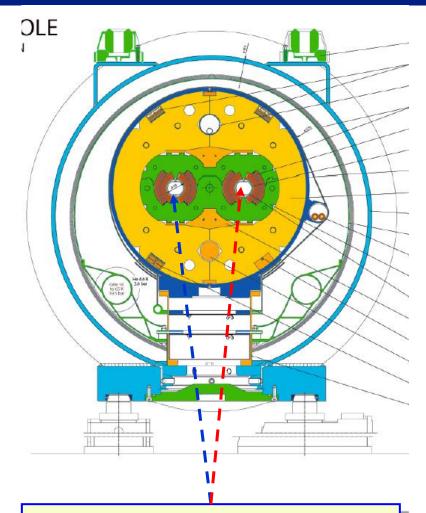
Unequal-frequency beam dynamics

- More detail in last year's workshop
 - Moving long-range beam-beam kicks during injection and ramp
- Broken symmetry ⇒ new modes
 - Symmetry restored at high energy
- Present understanding:
 - "Overlap knock-out" resonances shown not to be a problem for LHC
 - Diffusion mechanisms were likely source of problems for RHIC but are weaker in LHC
 - Theoretical work continuing

Critical difference between RHIC and LHC



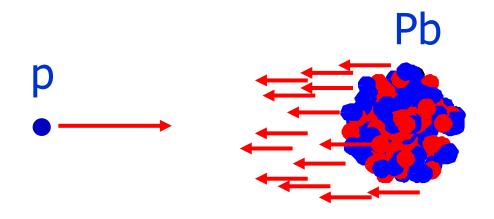
RHIC: Independent bending field for the two beams — they abandoned equal-rigidity and switched to equal-frequency D-Au.



LHC: Identical bending field in both apertures of two-in-one dipole – no choice

Outline of p-Pb physics cycle (Pb-p similar)

- □ Inject p beam in Ring 1, f_{RF1} for p
- □ Inject Pb beam in Ring 2, f_{RF2} for Pb
- Ramp both beams on central orbits
 - Orbit feedback decouples RF frequencies
- Bring f_{RF} together to lock, beams are slightly off central orbits
- RF re-phasing to position collision point
- Squeeze
- Change ALICE crossing angle to collision configuration
- Collide



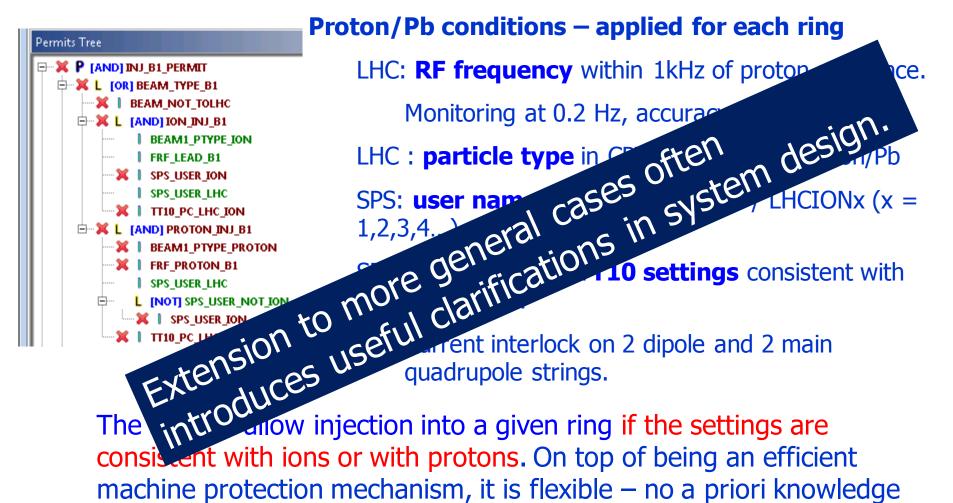
PROTON-LEAD FEASIBILITY TEST IN 2011

Re-purposing LHC as proton-nucleus collider

- Systems/procedures developed during 2011 to enable this new mode of operation:
 - Machine Protection → new Software Interlock permit tree to avoid the injection of protons into a ring configured for ions and vice versa
 - RF → New rephasing and cogging procedure, plus FESA properties and sequencer tasks to configure each ring for the right particle type
 - BI → New BPM calibration task to calibrate independently each beam according to the bunch spacing
 - Sequences → New LHC PROTON-NUCLEUS NOMINAL Sequence
 - Timing → New Accelerator Mode = PROTON-NUCLEUS PHYSICS & new telegram line with PARTICLE TYPE "PER" RING
 - Injection schemes → New injection schemes mixing protons and ions
 - Transverse feedbacks already independent

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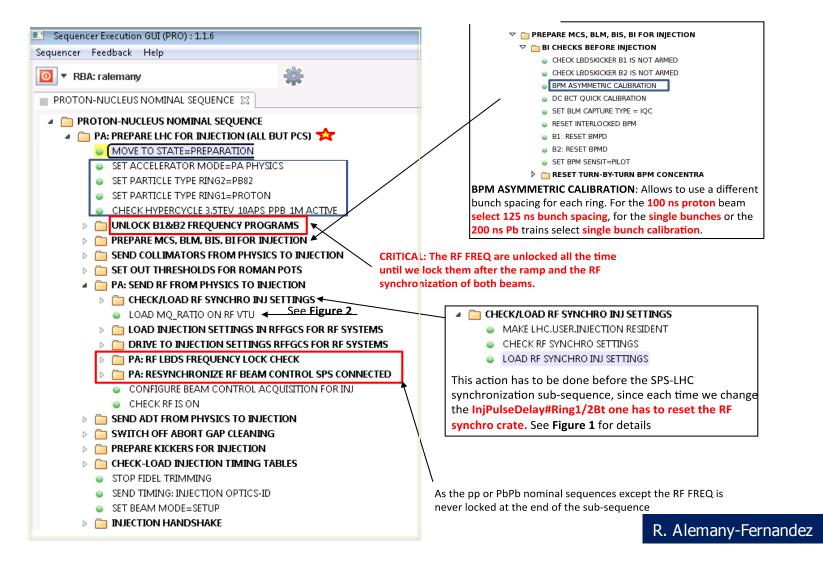
Machine Protection: new SIS permit tree



machine protection mechanism, it is flexible – no a priori knowledge on which ring is used for which species. It will also work to avoid injecting ions during p-p runs (and vice-versa).

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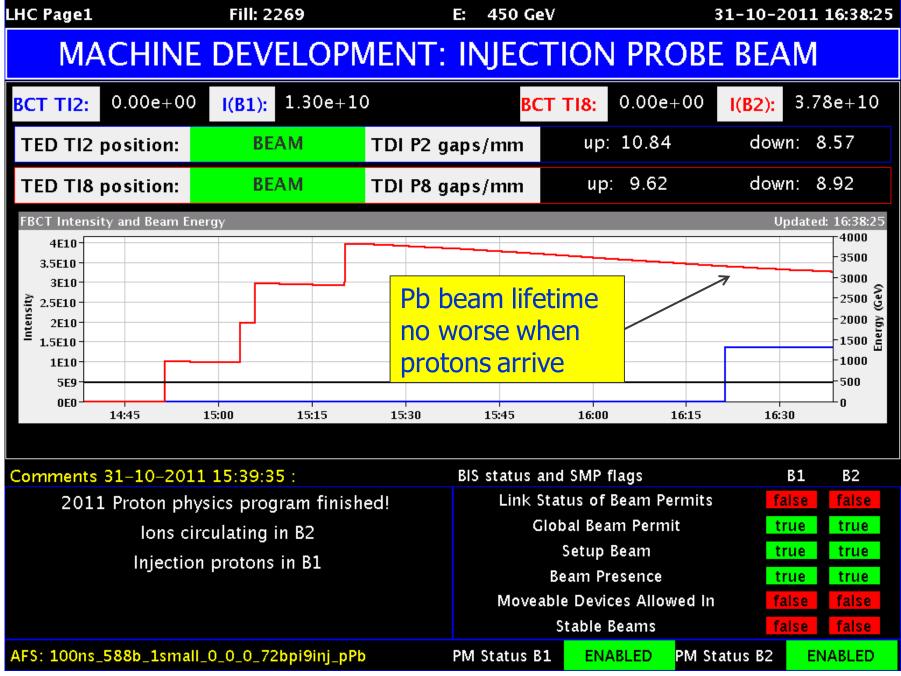
New LHC PROTON-NUCLEUS NOMINAL Sequence



J.M. Jowett, pA@LHC workshop, CERN, 4/6/2012

p-Pb feasibility test, Part 1, 16h on 31/10/2011

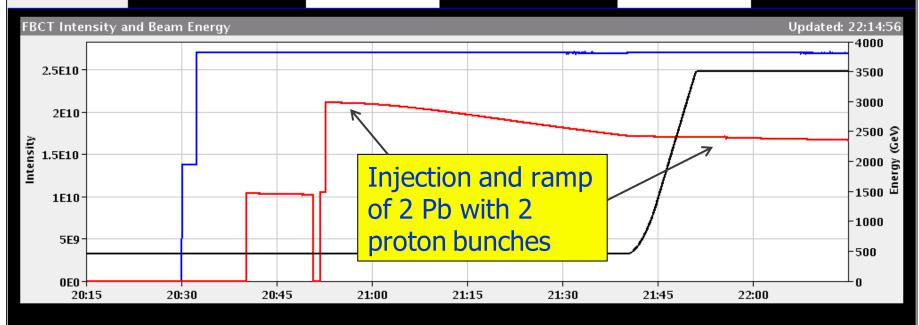
- Several hours setup of first Pb beam of the year (timing, many details...)
- □ Stored 4 Pb bunches in presence of 304 p bunches (~10% nominal intensity) at injection
 - Lifetime no worse for presence of p bunches
 - Emittance blow-up, does not appear to be worse than for Pb alone
- Dumped and re-injected 4 fresh Pb
 - Still OK
- Ramped 2 Pb and 2 p bunches, good lifetime
- Re-phased RF (cogging) to move bunches 1 encounter point 9 km back to ATLAS, no losses



LHC Page1 Fill: 2269 E: 3500 GeV 31-10-2011 22:14:56

MACHINE DEVELOPMENT: FLAT TOP

Energy: 3500 GeV I(B1): 2.54e+10 I(B2): 1.87e+10



Comments 31-10-2011 21:55:27:

2011 Proton physics program finished!
Proton and lead ion beams together for
the first time at 3.5 Z TeV.

2 bunches each, will try rephasing RF.

B2 BIS status and SMP flags В1 Link Status of Beam Permits false false Global Beam Permit true true Setup Beam true true **Beam Presence** true true Moveable Devices Allowed In false false Stable Beams false false

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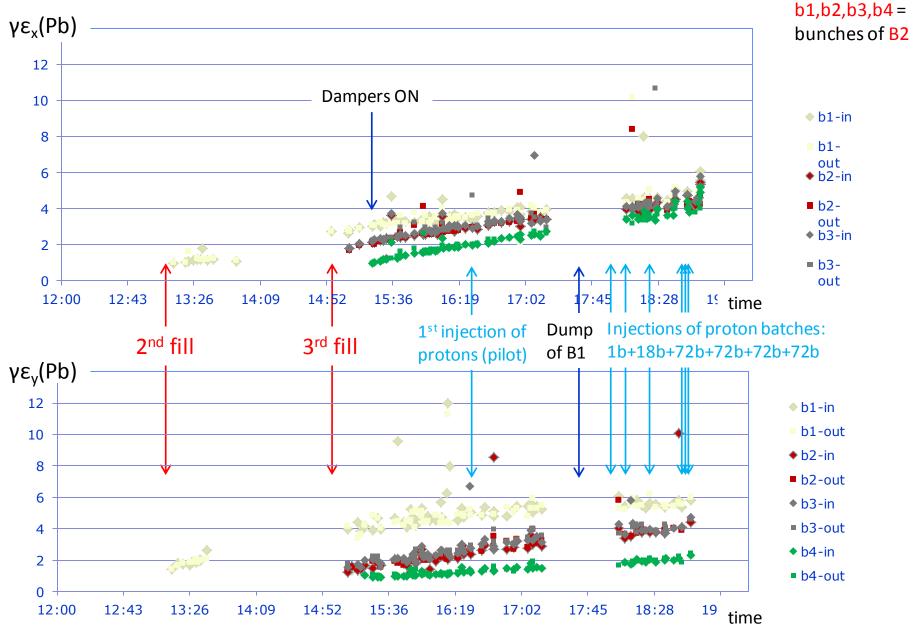
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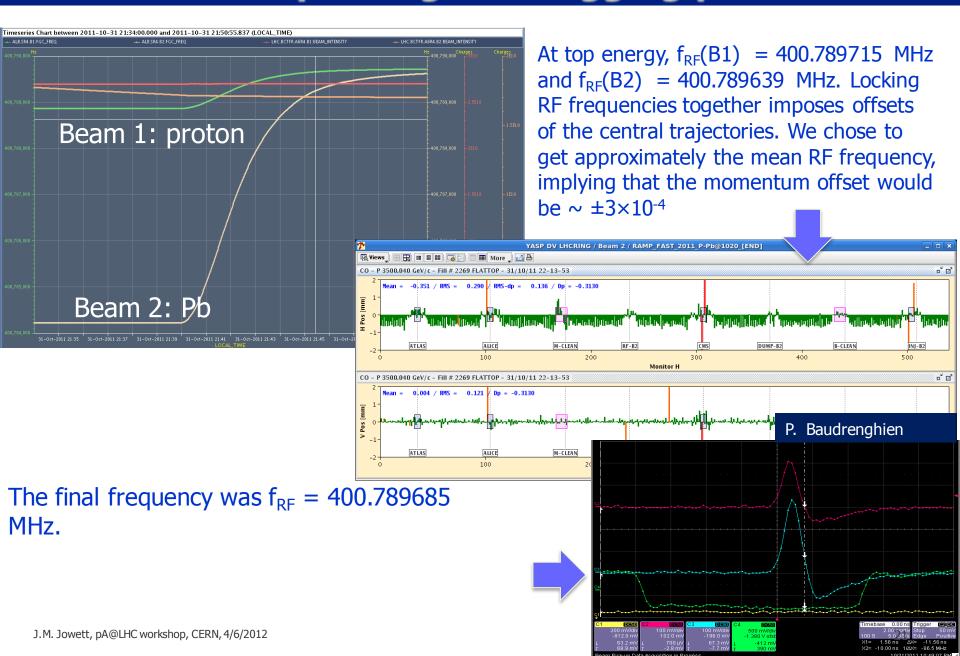
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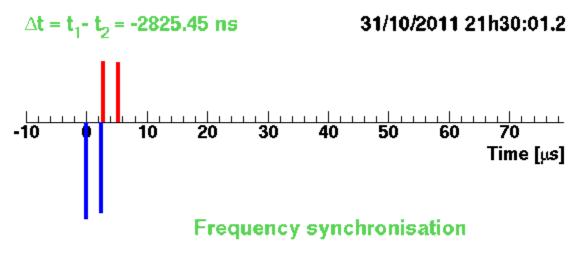
Wire scans of Pb beam B2, 2nd and 3rd fills



RF: New rephasing and cogging procedure

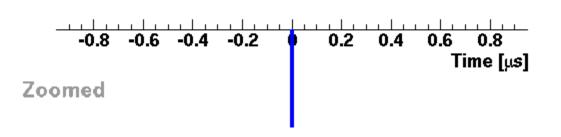


Moving the collision point by 9 km



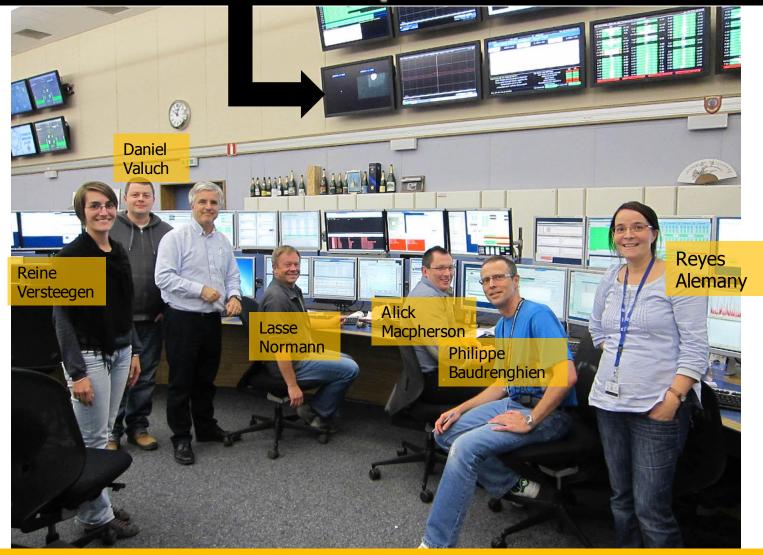


RF cogging by Philippe Baudrenghien



Video from BPTX data by Thilo Pauly (ATLAS)

Hallowe'en 2011: first p and Pb at 3.5 Z TeV

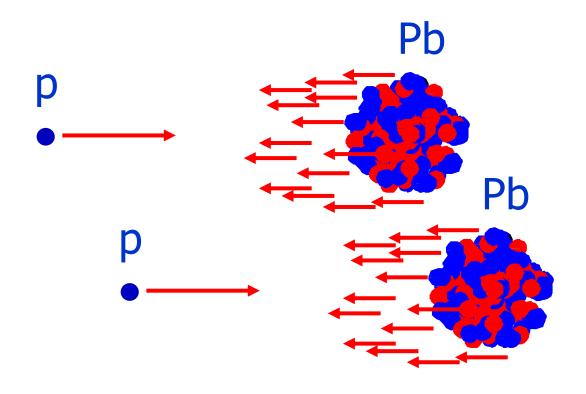


Vital contributors to this 16-hour experiment not in photo:

J. Wenninger, S. Redaelli, M. Schaumann, M. Lamont, D. Jacquet, ...

P-Pb feasibility test, Part 2

- Scheduled for 16-17 Nov 2011, plan was:
 - Ramp many p and some Pb bunches
 - We have NOT demonstrated this
 - Pilot physics fill with moderate no. of bunches
 - Would have clarified potential of detectors
- Cancelled because of leak in PS proton injection septum
 - Continuing with protons = risk of major leak and ~ 1 week of LHC down time (could have happened in p-p!).
- So ... we are basing a physics programme with a complex new operating mode on a single MD
 - OK, but please tolerate a certain uncertainty in luminosity predictions!
- Strong motivation to do Part 2 in Aug-Sep 2012!



2012 PROTON-NUCLEUS PHYSICS RUN

Choice of operating energy for p-Pb in 2012

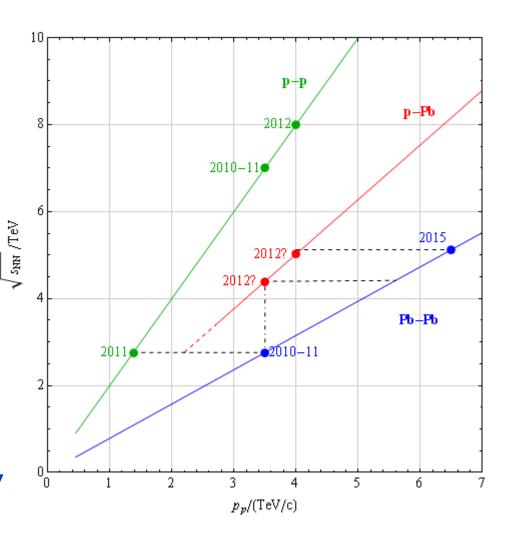
Charges Z_1 , Z_2 in rings with magnetic field set for protons of momentum p_p : colliding nucleon pairs have:

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} \approx 2c p_p \sqrt{\frac{Z_1 Z_2}{A_1 A_2}},$$

$$y_{NN} = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{Z_1 A_2}{A_1 Z_2}$$

2.2 ZTeV "ideal" but would cost factor ~6-7 in integrated luminosity and exceeds 1 mm orbit limit in LHC arcs.

4 ZTeV, the final choice for 2012, will be "easiest" from accelerator point of view.



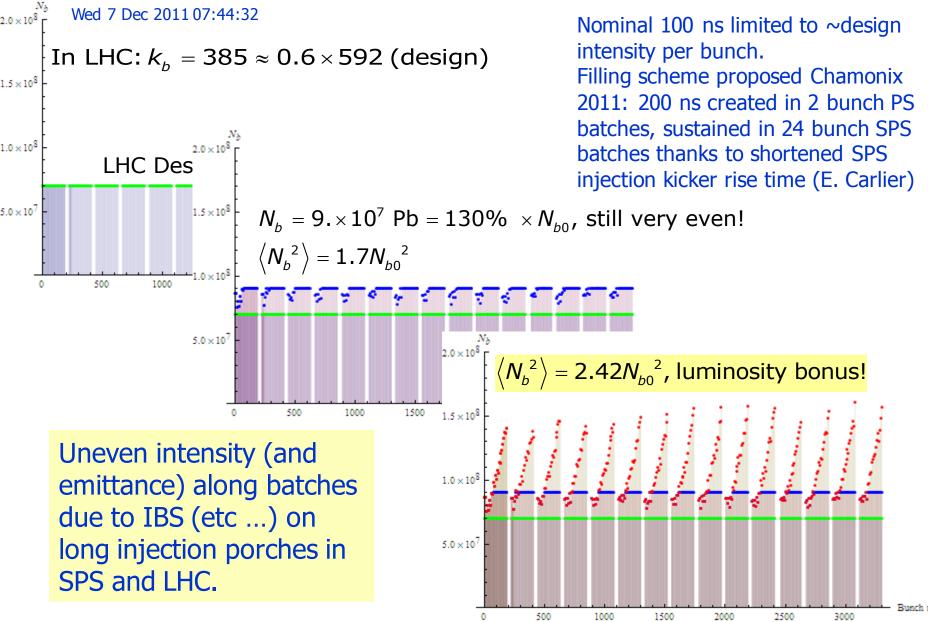
Costs of experimental choices

- Discussions of operating energy will recur. One should bear in mind for future runs:
 - After a p-p run 4 TeV, we estimated that it would have cost extra ~2 days commissioning to set up p-Pb at 3.5 TeV
 - "New" ramp and squeeze in all IRs
 - Higher β*
 - Larger off-momentum orbits etc
- Reversal from p-Pb to Pb-p: about 1 day
- Two ALICE polarity reversals (if requested) total <1 day</p>

Injection schemes

- Need filling schemes for p and Pb to produce matching bunch trains in LHC
 - Prepared for 100 ns in 2011
 - Must operate both PS Booster, LEIR, PS to provide identical batches in SPS
- New flexible solution (S. Hancock, D. Manglunki) provides both 100 ns and 200 ns in SPS/LHC
 - Higher N_b with 200 ns (why we used it in 2011, but now the gain in luminosity is less ...)
 - See talk by D. Manglunki, Chamonix

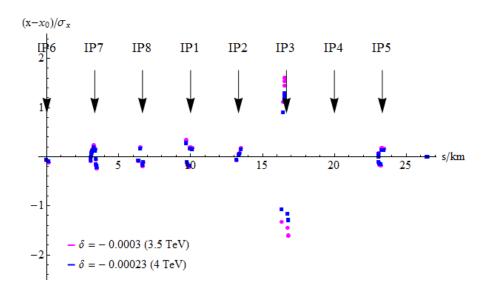
Ion Injector Chain Performance in 2011



Optics for p-Pb operation

- Optics become more difficult with smaller β*
 - Need more aperture in triplet quadrupoles
 - Greater sensitivity to perturbations
 - Stronger chromatic effects (e.g., change of betatron oscillation frequency across the energy spread in the beam)
 - For p-Pb, centre of energy distribution of beams have opposite sign shifts: chromatic variation of central optics
- Heavy ion runs generally push optics further by adding lower β* at ALICE to preceding p-p optics
- In 2011 the additional squeeze to $β^*=(1,1,1,3)m$ was only just possible because of a still unidentified aperture restriction on the left of IP2.
 - M., Giovannozzi, et al, IR2 aperture measurements at 3.5 TeV, CERN-ATS-Note-2012-017 MD, 2012.
- \square Can we achieve β *=(0.6,0.6,0.6,3)m with p-Pb ??

Horizontal plane



Orbit at collimators,

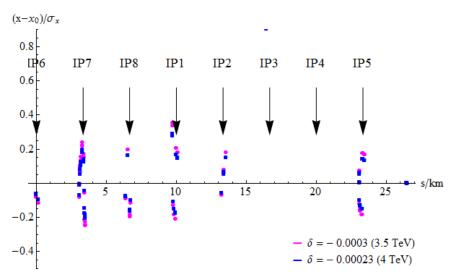
3.5 TeV vs. 4 TeV

Additional collimator set-up will be required in squeeze

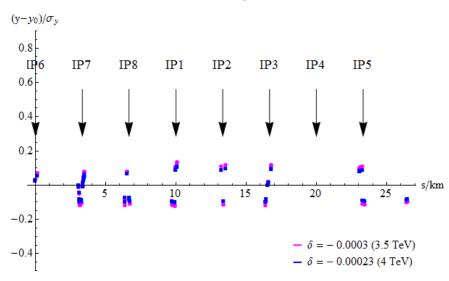
 $x = orbit with \delta offset,$

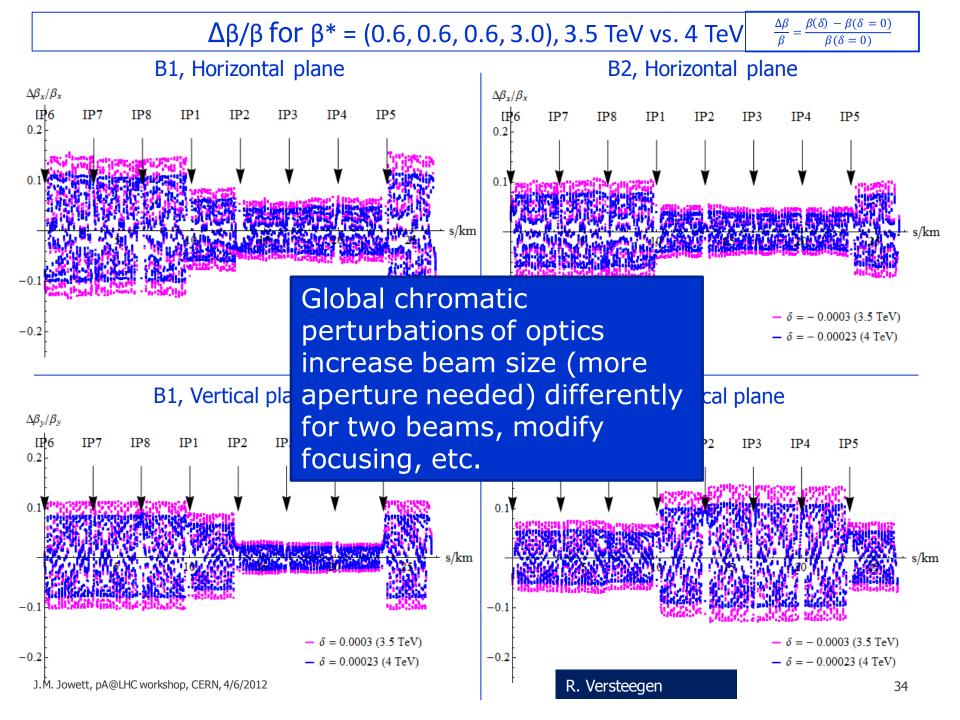
 x_0 = orbit with zero offset

Horizontal plane, zoomed in

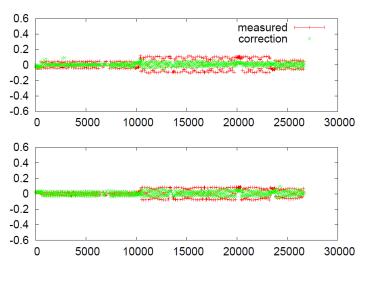


Vertical plane





Corrections of β-beating



0.6 measured 0.4 correction 0.2 0 -0.2 -0.4 -0.6 0 5000 20000 25000 10000 15000 30000 0.6 0.4 0.2 0 -0.2 -0.4-0.6 5000 10000 15000 20000 25000 30000

Beam 1 (p)

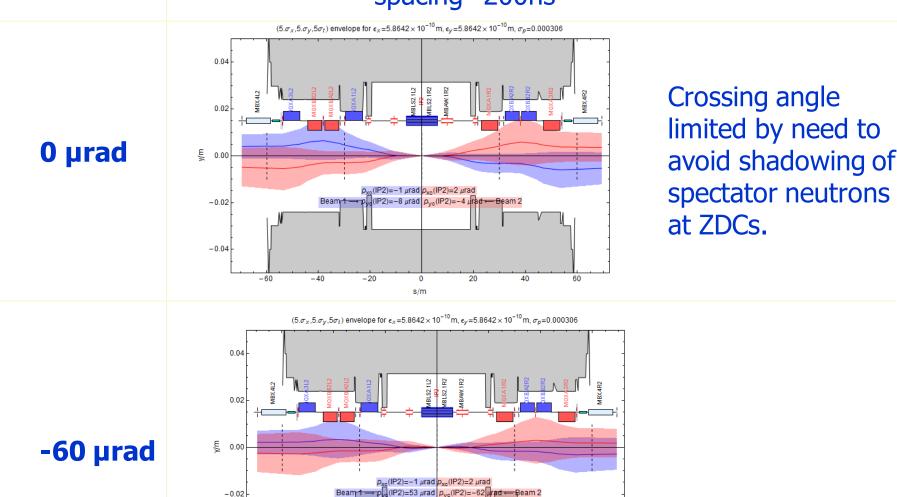
Beam 2 (Pb)

Corrections schemes using trim quadrupoles under study, will probably be incorporated in optics from start.

R. Versteegen

Vertical envelopes in IR2,

β*=0.6m, 4. TeV, $(γε)_p=2.5μm$, $(γε)_{Pb}=1.5μm$, bunch spacing=200ns



s/m

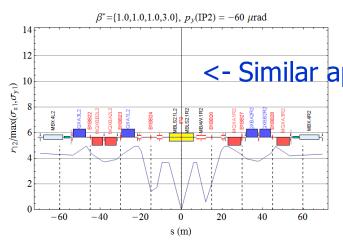
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-0.04

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Beam separation around ALICE

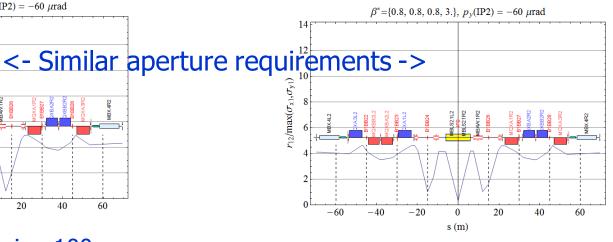


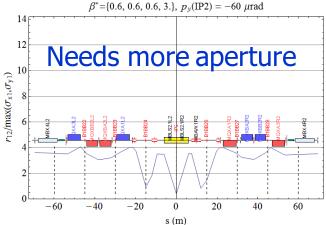
Pb-Pb in 2011 (showing 100 ns encounters although we had 200 ns)

Increase of angle to -80 µrad does not help much.

May limit us to β *=0.8 m?

Aperture measurements needed, probably not before setup for p-Pb run.





p-Pb in 2011 (showing 100 ns encounters although we may choose 200 ns)

R. Versteegen (forthcoming note)

Target p-Pb performance in 2012 (ATLAS/CMS)

Main choice:	Units	200 ns		100 ns	
Beam energy/(Z TeV)	Z TeV	3.5	4	3.5	4
Colliding bunches		356	356	550	550
β*	m	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6
Emittance protons	μm	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75
Emittance Pb	μm	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Pb/bunch	108	1.2	1.2	0.8	0.8
p/bunch	10 ¹⁰	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15
Initial Luminosity L ₀	10 ²⁸ cm ⁻² s ⁻¹	6.2	8.3	6.4	8.5
Operating days		22	24	22	24
Difficulty (subjective)		0.9	1	0.9	1
Integrated luminosity	nb ⁻¹	15.4	22.4	15.9	23.1
Nucleon-nucleon	pb ⁻¹	3.2	4.7	3.3	4.8

Integrated luminosity by scaling from 2011 (c.f. ~7 pb⁻¹ NN in Pb-Pb)

Average Pb bunch intensities from best 2011 experience.

Proton bunch intensities conservative, another factor 10 ???

Proton emittance conservative, another factor 1.37?

Untested moving encounter effects, possible reduction factor 0.1??

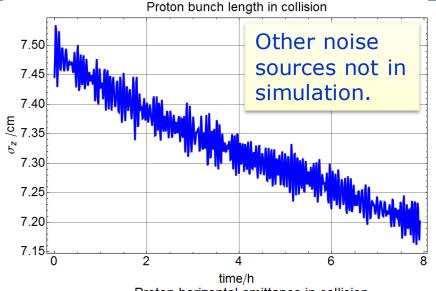
LHCb joins in ...

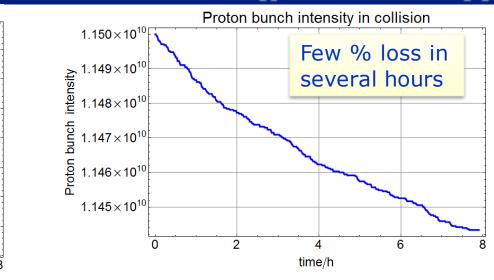
- Up till now the heavy-ion filling schemes provided no collisions at IP8 $s_{P8} = \frac{1039}{1188}C = \frac{7}{8}C 6\lambda_{RF}$
- □ Discussions in LPC 3/2/2012
- □ LHCb optics will be kept at $\beta^*=3$ m
 - Factor 4-5 down in luminosity
- Filling schemes must be adapted to provide collisions at IP8
 - Shift 1 or more batches?
 - Reduce luminosity for others how much ?
 - Another factor ~5-12 down for LHCb
 - Details to be worked out
 - Possible max. luminosity in ALICE ?
- Further motivation for early MD/pilot physics fill

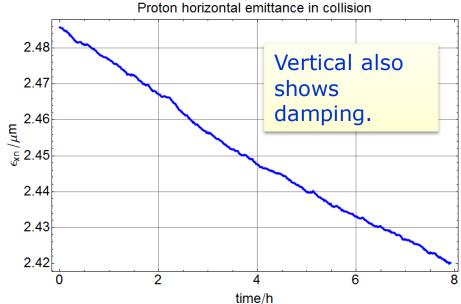
More predictions for p-Pb (no detail)

- Bound-free pair production rate will be reduced to a few % of the Pb-Pb rate, one side of IP
- Similar scaling for electromagnetic dissociation
 - Same equivalent photon spectrum of proton
- Luminosity lifetime better than Pb-Pb
 - Dominated by IBS of Pb beam or, maybe, beam-beam
- Luminosity losses in dispersion suppressors around experiments and in IR3 much reduced
 - Less irradiation, R2E, etc.

Proton beam evolution in collision (preliminary)



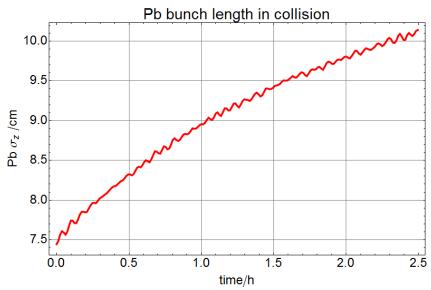


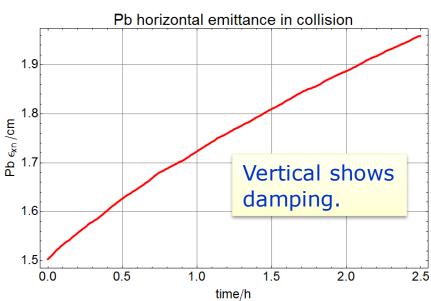


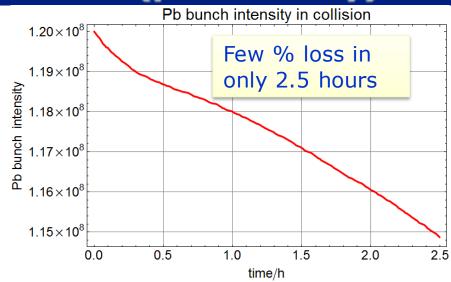
Low intensity (10% of nominal) proton bunches have very weak IBS so shrink slowly due to synchrotron radiation damping.

Intensity loss from luminosity (cross section with Pb ~2 barn) is also small.

Pb beam evolution in collision (preliminary)







High intensity (150% of nominal) Pb bunches have strong IBS growth (as in 2011) despite having twice the synchrotron radiation damping of protons.

Fractional intensity loss from luminosity (cross section on Pb ~2 barn) is more significant, but much less than in Pb-Pb.

Losses also from IBS debunching.

Luminosity evolution (preliminary)

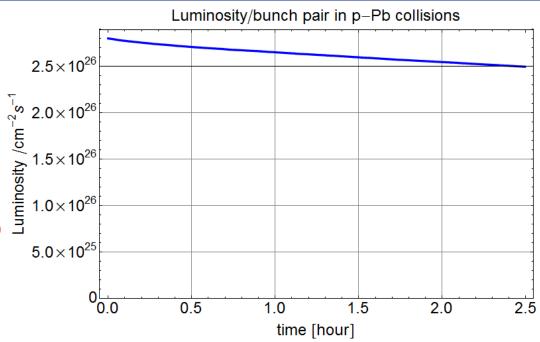
Luminosity made by the bunches shown on previous two slides.

Slower decay than in Pb-Pb or even p-p fills.

We can hope for long fills which will increase the ratio of average to peak luminosity!

Good, since set-up will be longer than usual.

N.B. this is the worse case for luminosity decay, the higher intensity Pb bunches from the 200 ns filling scheme.



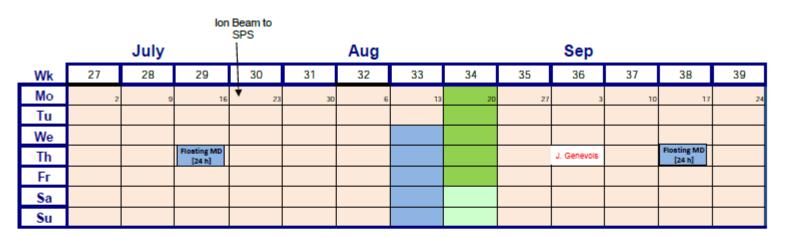
Caveats:

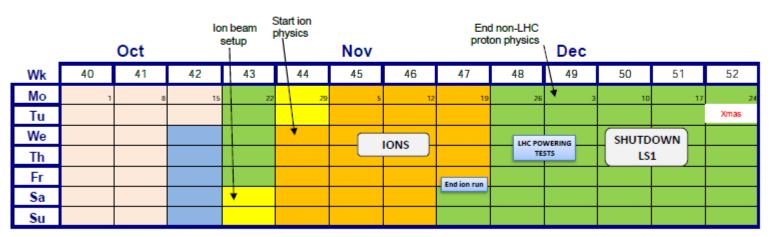
Unequal beam sizes may give beam-beam problems (but tune-shifts are still small).

This is still the conservative proton bunch intensity.

Not all physics in this simulation.

Schedule for late 2012





Technical Stop

Recommissioning with beam

Machine development

Ion run

Ion setup

Special runs (TOTEM etc.) to be scheduled

We will formulate a carefully optimised commissioning plan, but likely to take longer than Pb-Pb.

Fitting in some p-p at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =2.76 TeV?

After last of 4 fills at this energy in March 2011:

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Fill # 1658

Date: 19:16 - 27/3/2011

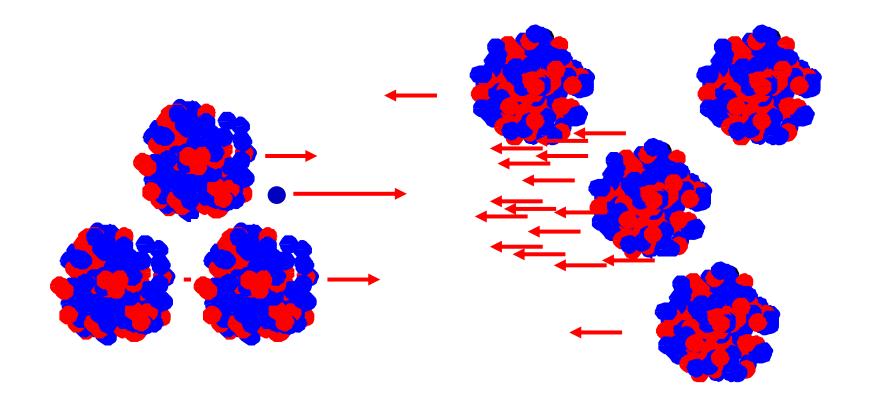
ATLAS: L_{Fill}:94.55 nb<sup>-1</sup> L_{Int}:322.68 nb<sup>-1</sup>

- ALICE: L_{Fill}:14.69 nb<sup>-1</sup> L_{Int}:52.87 nb<sup>-1</sup>

CMS: L_{Fill}:100.66 nb<sup>-1</sup> L_{Int}:345.12 nb<sup>-1</sup>

LHCb: L_{Fill}:17.74 nb<sup>-1</sup> L_{Int}:538.12 nb<sup>-1</sup>
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- □ This is $< 7 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ we had from Pb-Pb \Rightarrow strong interest but:
 - Time is short, risk is high
 - Uncertainties about p-Pb performance and setup time
- \square [My rough, unofficial guesstimate: ~ 1 pb⁻¹ in a few days]
- In any case, very careful planning of strategy will be necessary.
- Could we consider a conditional strategy?
 - Eg: if we have <so much> p-Pb integrated luminosity by <a certain date> then stop p-Pb and re-commission low energy p-p (?)



LHC HEAVY-ION PROGRAMME UP TO 2022 (LS3)

Status of this plan

- An implementation of the (long ago) approved physics programme consistent with plans for the CERN accelerator complex in coming decade
 - Takes account of p-p operation, shutdowns, SPS HI programme, etc.
 - March 2011: Agreed among ATS Director, ALICE management, S. Maury, JMJ
 - Presented to 2011 IEFC workshop
 - Presented to LHC Machine Committee 20/4/2011
 - Presented at EPS-HEP 2011 Conference, Grenoble, July 2011
 - Presented again at LHC Chamonix Workshop, Feb 2012
- Some flexibility still available
- Next slide presents an update incorporating new knowledge from the 2011 Pb-Pb run

LHC Heavy-Ion Programme to 2021

2013-14		Long shutdown LS1, increase E
2015-16	Pb-Pb	Design luminosity, $\sim 250~\mu b^{-1}/year$, Luminosity levelling?
2017	p-Pb <i>or</i> Pb-Pb	P-Pb to enhance 2015-16 data. Energy? Pb-Pb if μb^{-1} still needed
2018		LS2: ? install DS collimators to protect magnets ? ALICE upgrade for 6 × design luminosity
2019	Pb-Pb	Beyond design luminosity as far as we can. Reduce bunch spacing?
2020	p-Pb	
2021	Ar-Ar	Intensity to be seen from injector commissioning for SPS fixed target. Demanding collimation requirements?
2022		LS3, upgrades ?? Stochastic cooling ??
>2022		Talks on Thursday

Summary

- Feasibility of p-Pb is partially established
- We are ready for a p-Pb physics run in 2012
 - Luminosity achievable remains uncertain
- Important further steps:
 - RF re-phasing MD with p-p (faster procedure)
 - Part 2 of feasibility test (multi-bunch ramp + pilot physics) in Aug-Sep
 - Clarification of LHCb potential/priority
 - Aperture measurements in IR2 during setup to determine final optics

Our work inspired an unknown artist working for the CERN Bulletin to create this moving depiction of the angst of an LHC proton

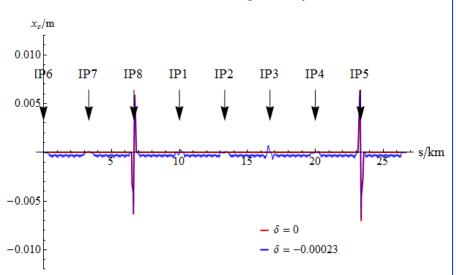


Now the proton's nightmare is coming true.

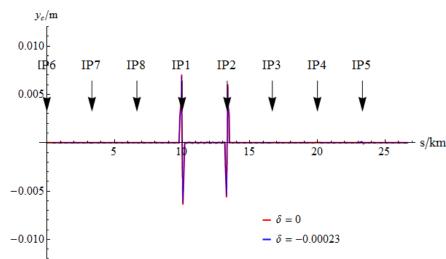
BACKUP SLIDES

Central orbits for β * = (0.6, 0.6, 0.6, 3.0)

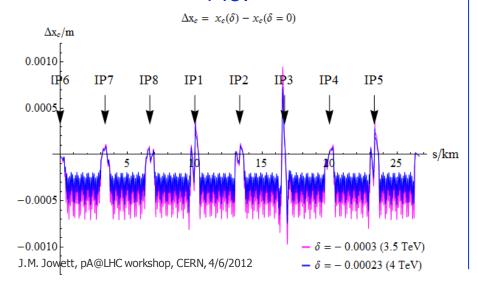




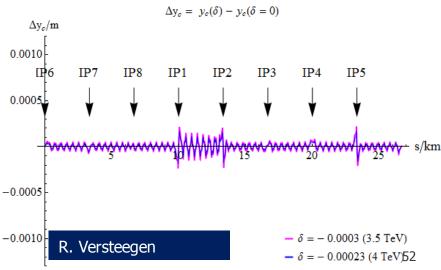
Vertical central trajectory at 4 TeV



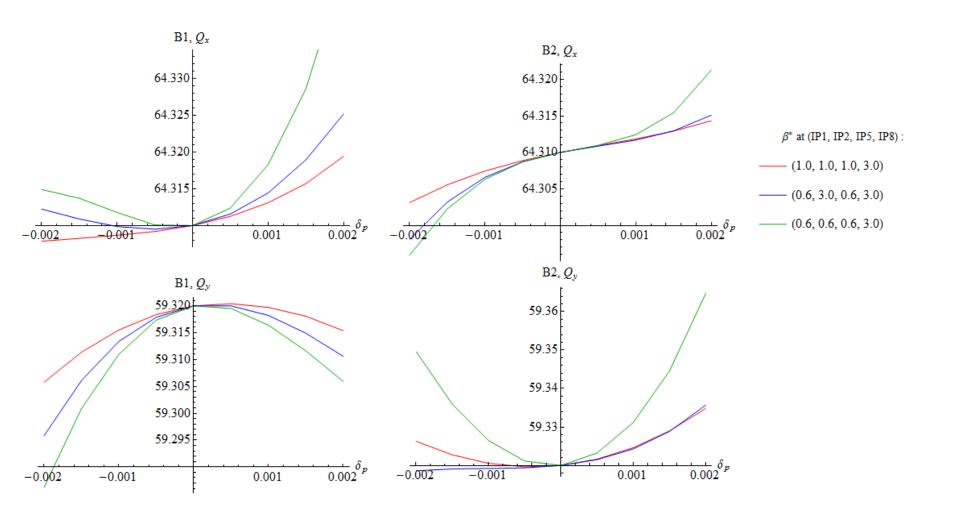
Shift of the horizontal central trajectory, 3.5 TeV vs. 4 TeV



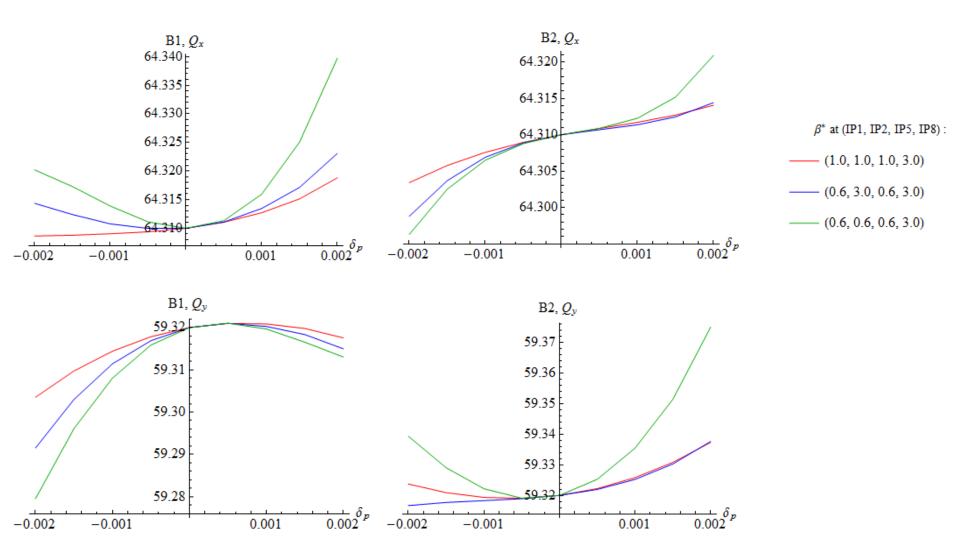
Shift of the vertical central trajectory , 3.5 TeV vs. 4 TeV



Tune vs energy offset at 4 TeV, chromaticity matching on momentum



Tune vs energy offset at 4 TeV for a matching off momentum for each beam separately



β* vs energy offset at IP2, at 4 TeV, chromaticity matched off-momentum

