



# Crab Cavity failure modes and IR protection

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**10× more collisions** during  
the HL-LHC lifetime



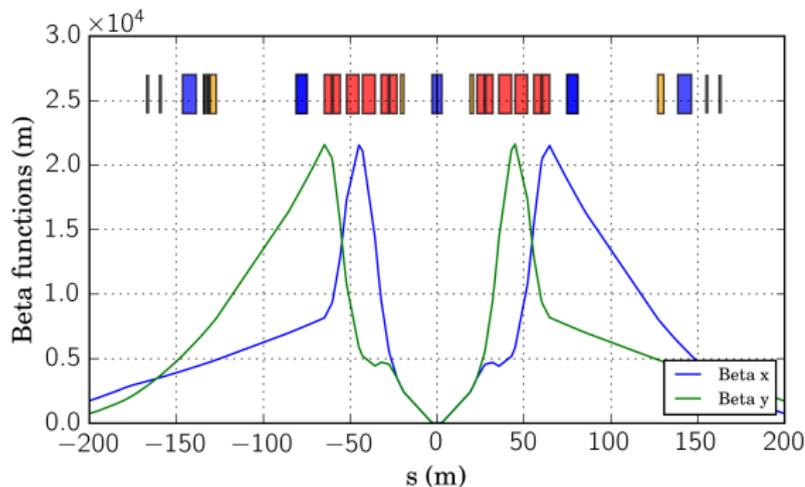
Nominal levelled luminosity:

$$\mathcal{L} = 5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$



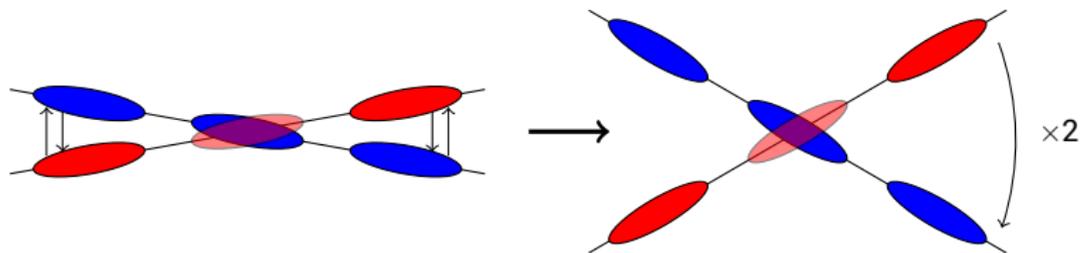
Reduce the **transverse beam size**  $\sigma_{x,y}$  at the Interaction Point (IP)

$$\sigma_i = \sqrt{\beta_i \varepsilon_i} \quad ; \quad \beta_i(s) = \beta_i^* + \frac{s^2}{\beta_i^*} \quad (i = x, y)$$



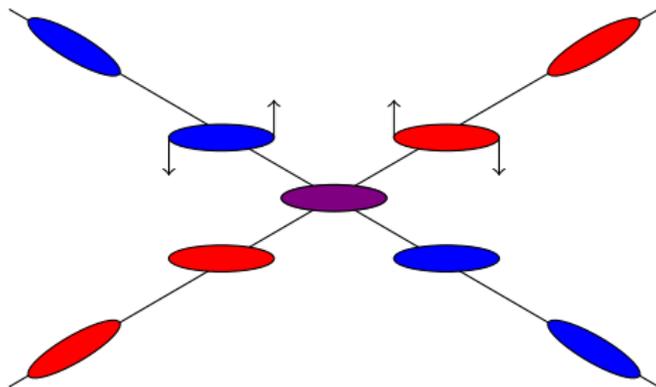
- Larger beam sizes as we move away from the IP

We need to **increase the crossing angle** to avoid parasitic collisions



Significant **loss in luminosity**

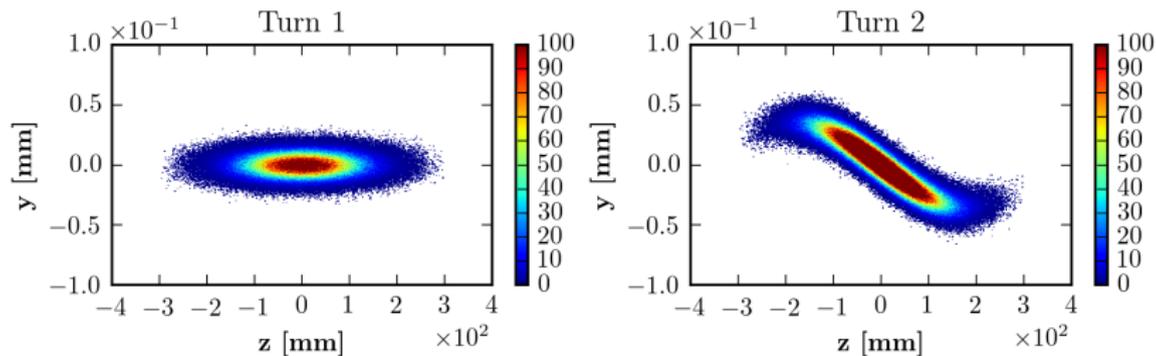
$$\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \frac{\mathcal{L}}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_z \theta}{\sigma_x}\right)^2}} \sim 0.36 \mathcal{L}$$



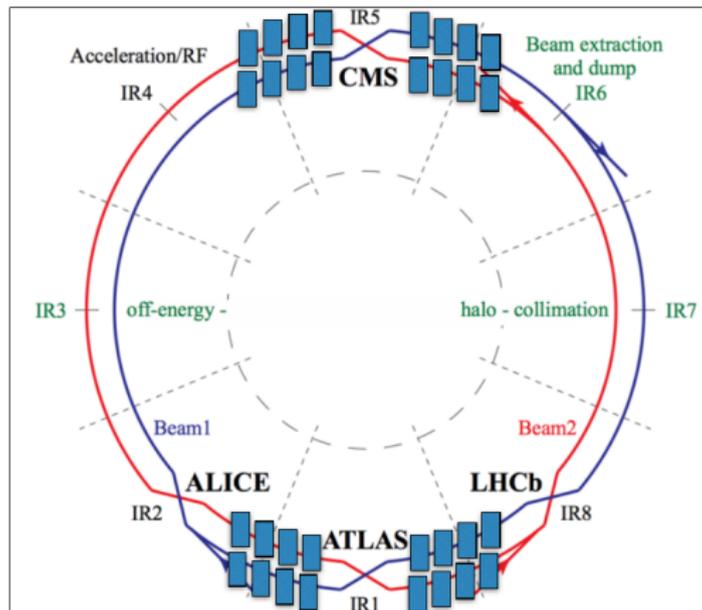
- EM forces rotate each bunch **longitudinally** by  $\frac{\theta}{2}$
- The bunches collide **head on**, perfectly overlapping at the Interaction Point (IP)
- The **geometric luminosity** loss is compensated

# How does that look like?

For a vertical crossing angle at the IP :



- The crab cavity (CC) kicks the bunch in  $(y' - z)$
- After the passage through the triplet  $\rightarrow (y - z)$



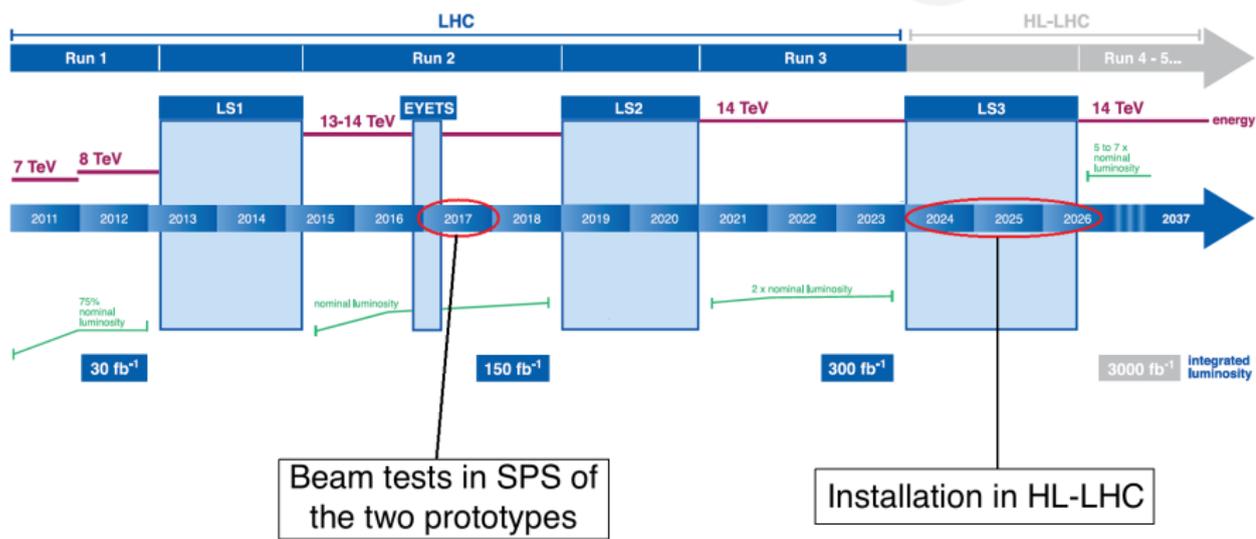
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The tilt is compensated downstream  
by a second group of CCs

- Elliptical cavities used in KEK
- Space limitations in the LHC led to unconventional shapes
- Two prototypes are considered:

## RF Dipole & Double Quarter Wave





# What does it mean for Machine Protection?



Risks come from the **energy stored** in the system  
and the **power** when operating

**RISK** = Probability × Consequences

$$E_{\text{beam}_{LHC}} = 362 \text{ MJ} \rightarrow E_{\text{beam}_{HL-LHC}} = 700 \text{ MJ}$$



Machine and experiments have, to some extent,  
**conflicting requirements**

## MACHINE

- Increased energy, luminosity, intensity
- Larger apertures (×2 in the triplet)

## EXPERIMENT

- Inner detectors closer to the beam (30 % reduction)
- Low backgrounds, radiation and activation



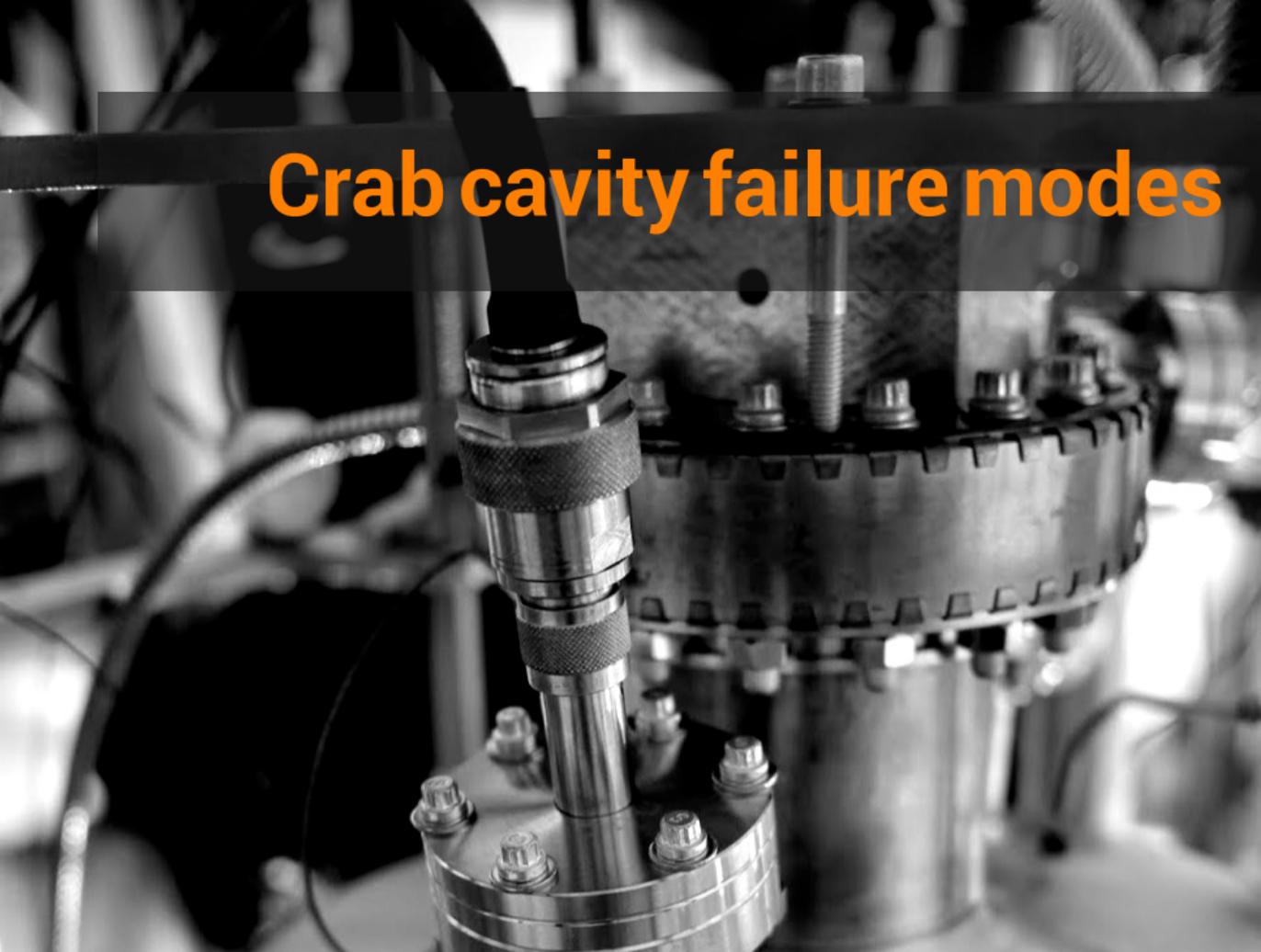
- Crab cavities have **very fast failure times** ( $\sim$  few LHC turns)
- They have **never been used in a hadron machine before**

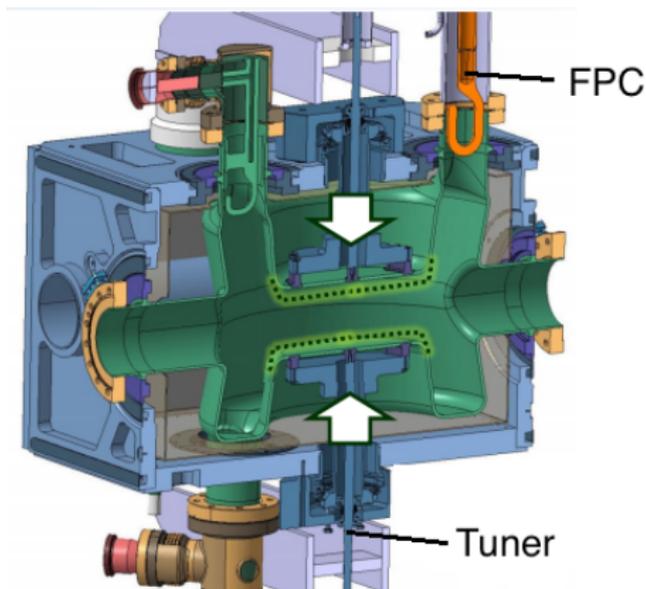
An uncontrolled release of the energy damages the equipment and **reduces the operation time**

(We do want our  $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  by the end of the HL-LHC lifetime!)

$\Rightarrow$  Motivation to carry out detailed studies in order to assure a **safe and stable operation**

# Crab cavity failure modes

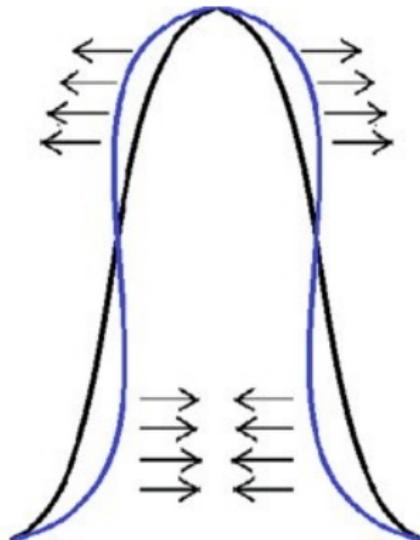
A black and white photograph of a complex industrial machine, likely a crab cavity, with a semi-transparent black banner overlaid at the top containing the text 'Crab cavity failure modes' in orange. The machine features a central vertical shaft with a textured grip section, surrounded by various bolts and a circular component with a serrated edge. The background is blurred, showing more of the machine's structure.



- **FPC:** fundamental RF power coupler (feeds the signal)
- **Tuner:** compensates cavity deformations

Image from *Design and Prototyping of HL-LHC Double Quarter Wave Crab Cavities*, S. Verdú-Andrés, IPAC'15

- EM field induces surface current and **charges in the walls of the cavity**
- This generates **pressure** on the **cavity surface**
- The **resonating frequency** of the cavity starts **changing dynamically**:  
⇒ **Lorentz force detuning**
- If the tuner doesn't compensate it ( $\sim$  ms), the **input power will be reflected back through the coupler**



The **external quality factor**  $Q_{ext}$  is proportional to the time it takes to **dissipate the energy** stored in the cavity **through the coupler** (when the RF sources are off)

$$Q_{ext} = \frac{\omega U}{P_{out}}$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \omega = \text{angular frequency of the CC} \\ U = \text{stored energy in the cavity} \\ P_{out} = \text{power lost through the coupler} \end{array} \right.$

$$\Rightarrow P_{out} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -dU/dt \\ \frac{\omega U}{Q_{ext}} \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} U = U_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{\omega t}{Q_{ext}}} \\ U \propto V^2 \end{array} \right\} V = V_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{\omega t}{2Q_{ext}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{\omega t}{2Q_{ext}}} = V_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

The time constant of the process is  $\tau$ :

$$\tau = \frac{2 \cdot Q_{ext}}{\omega}$$

For the HL-LHC parameters:

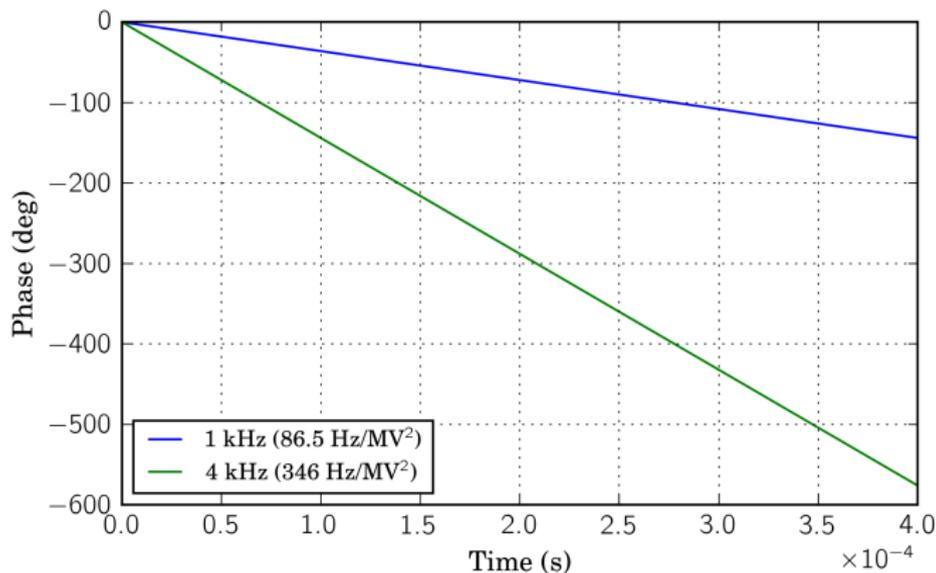
- $f_{cc} = 400.79$  MHz
- $Q_{ext} = 3 \cdot 10^5 - 5 \cdot 10^5$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = 238 - 397 \mu\text{s} \approx \mathbf{2 - 4 \text{ LHC turns}}$$

# Phase shift caused by a detuning



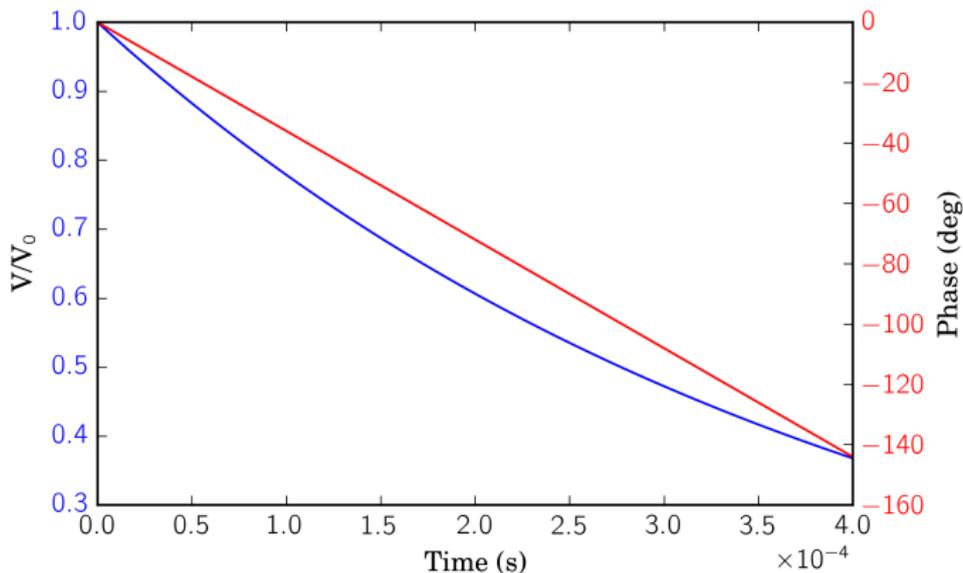
- A Lorentz detuning is foreseen in the **1 kHz** range
- A **4 kHz** detuning was measured in the lab (no boundary conditions - not real, just for illustration)



$$\Delta\phi = \Delta\omega \cdot t$$

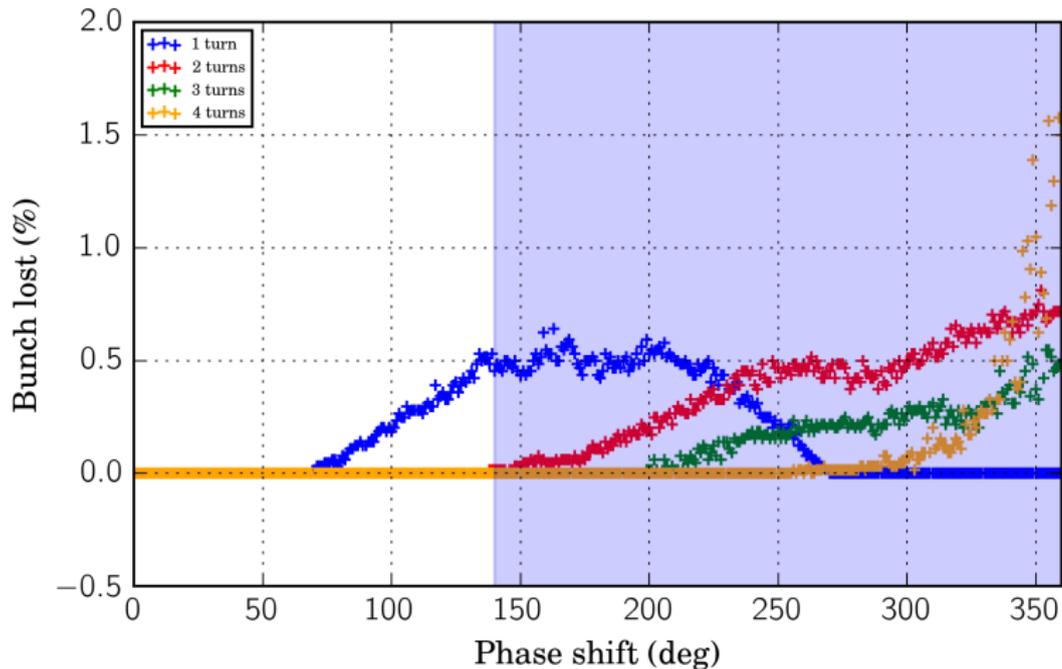
$$\Delta\phi = 2\pi\Delta f \cdot t$$

**Example:** 1 kHz detuning and  $\tau = 400 \mu\text{s}$



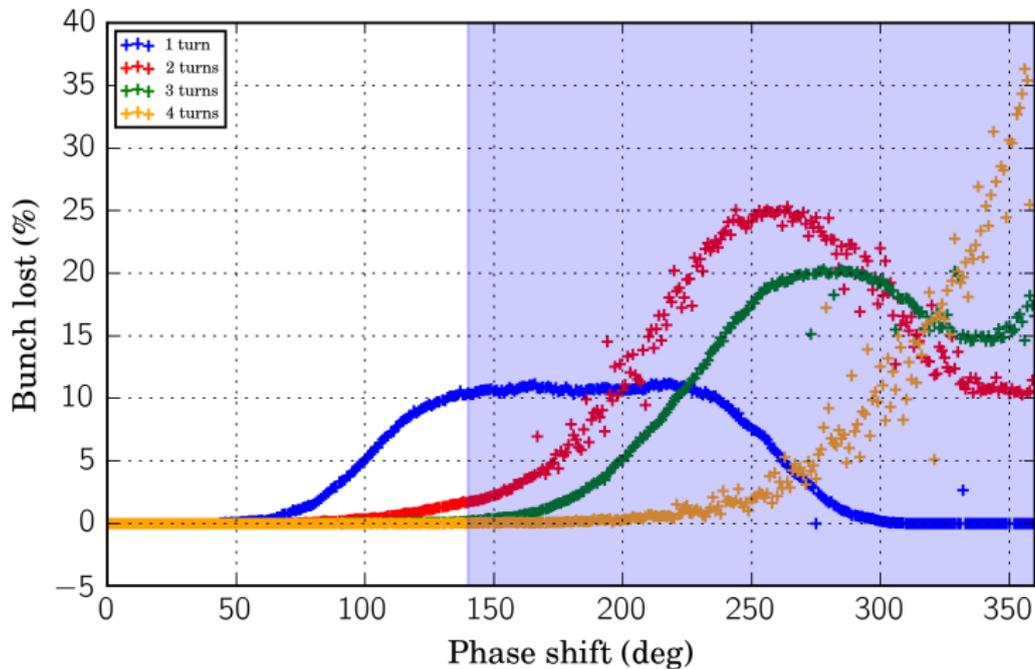
- Tracking code: **SixTrack** (using DYNK module and collimation routine)
- **One bunch** (gaussian transversely, matched to the RF bucket longitudinally)
- **Beam 1**
- **HL-LHC optics** (1.0)
- **4 CCs** installed at 160 m from IP1
- CCs are failed **downstream** (after collision)
- **Phase** failures, **voltage** is kept constant

# Failure of 2 CCs

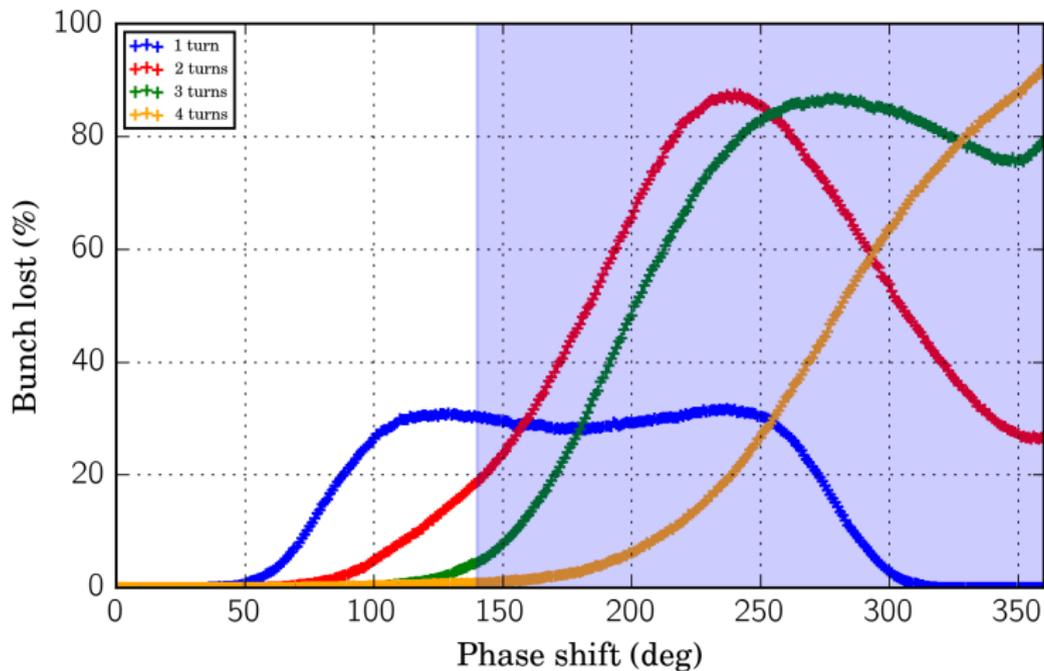


Simulations of fast crab cavity failures in the high luminosity Large Hadron Collider, B.Y Rendón et al., Phys. Rev.

# Failure of 3 CCs

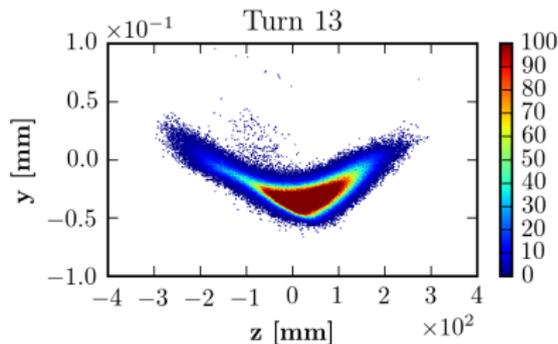
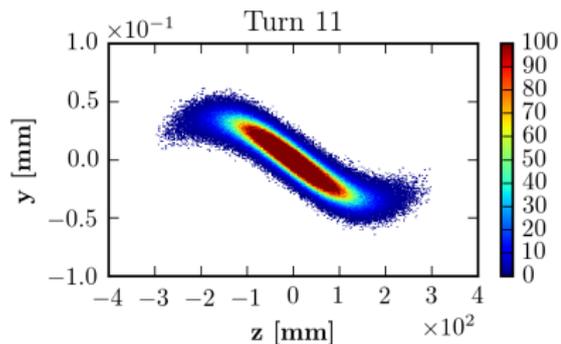
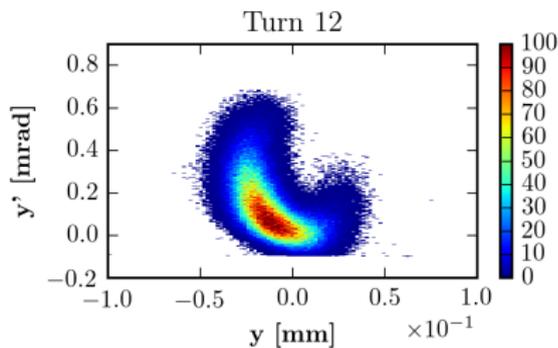
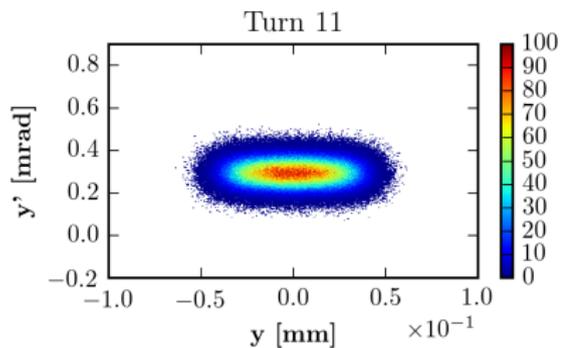


# Failure of 4 CCs

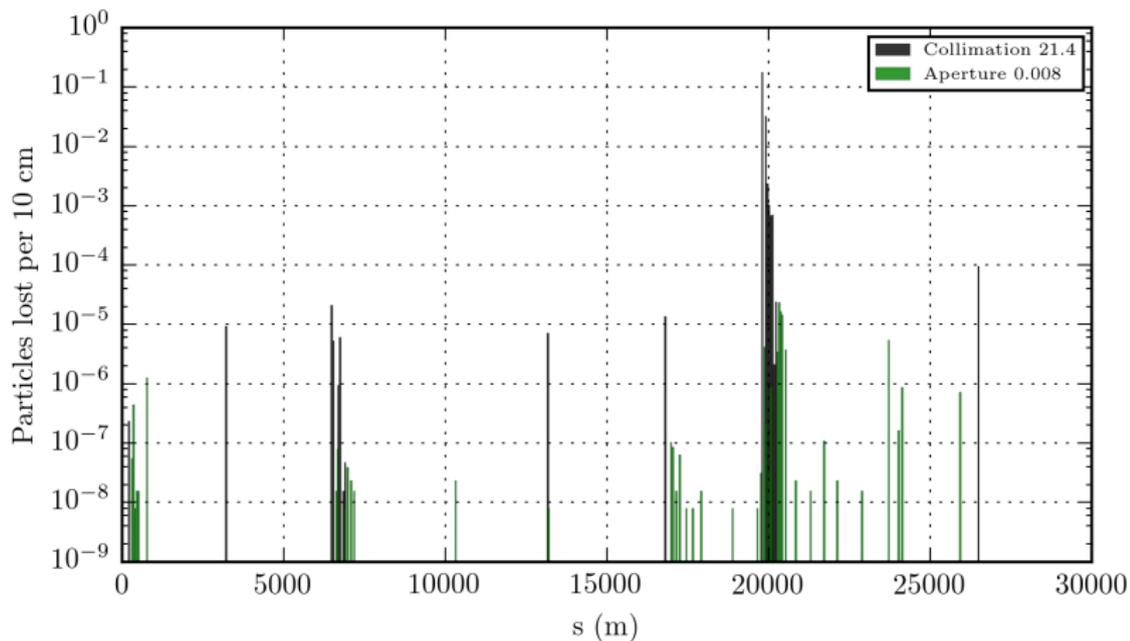


A **quench** could cause a bigger detuning, hence a bigger phase shift

# 90 deg phase shift in 1 turn (4 CCs)



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# Interaction Region protection



# Collimation system

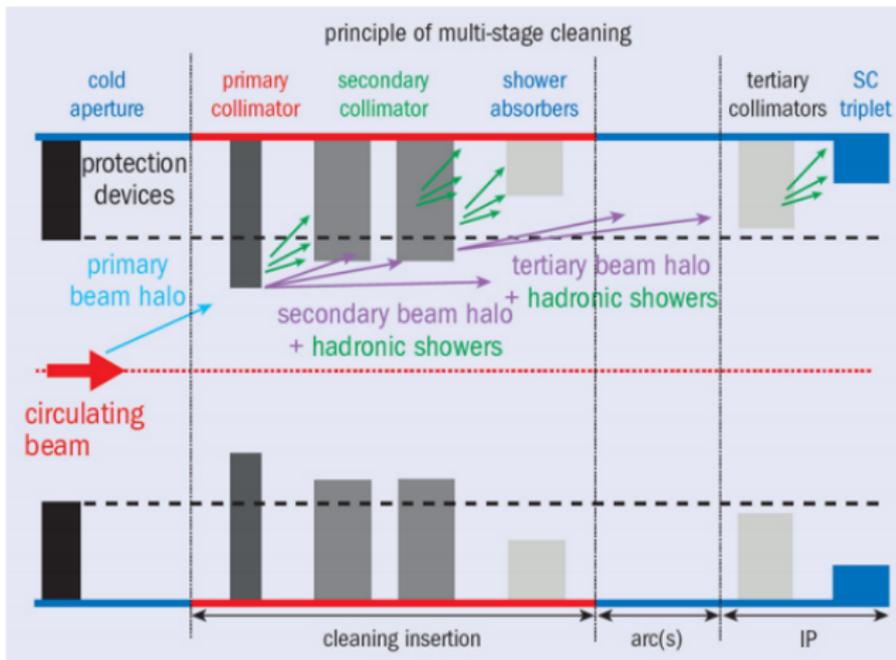
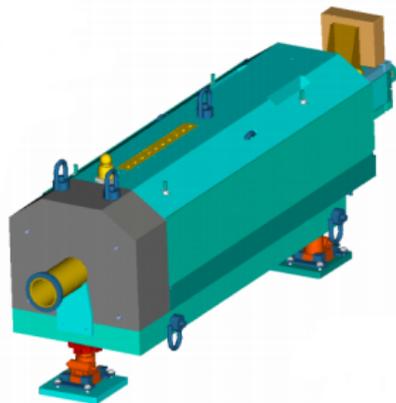


Image from *HL-LHC Preliminary Design Report*



**TAS:** Target Absorber  
Secondaries

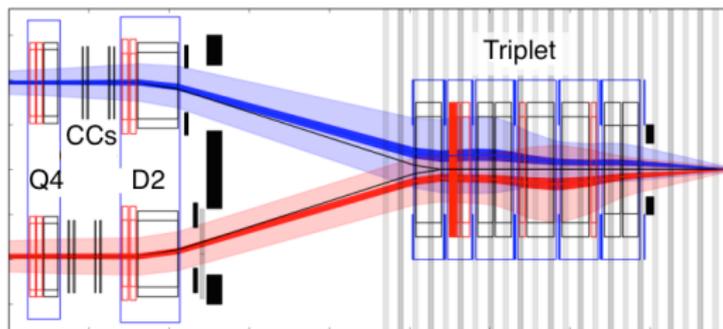
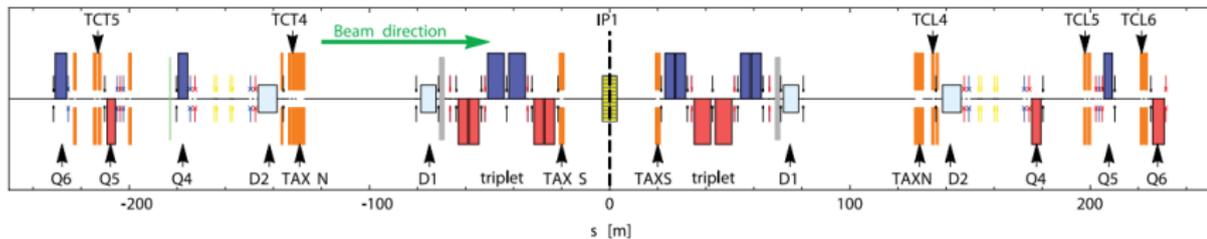
- Old radius: 30 mm
- New radius: 54 mm



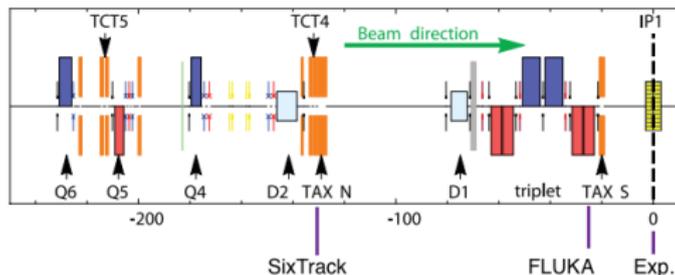
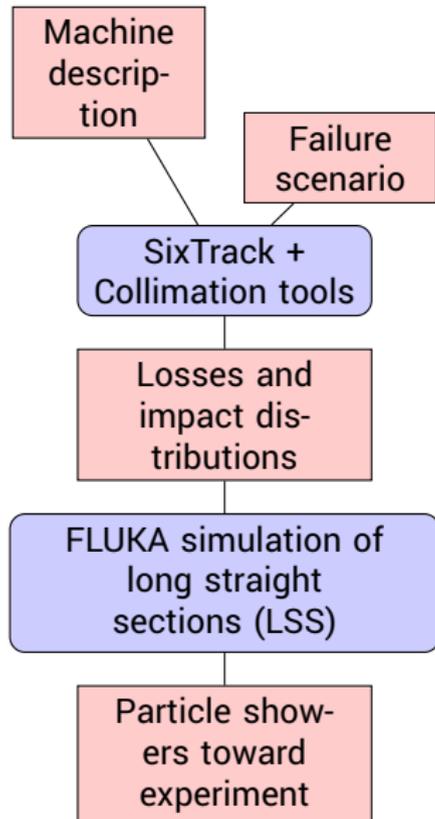
**TAN:** Target Absorber  
Neutral

- Old radius: 26 mm
- New radius: 40 mm

# Layout in the Interaction Regions



Images from *Collimation Upgrades for HL-LHC*, S.Redaeli et al. and *HL-LHC Preliminary Design Report*.



- Experiments are very interested to understand the **absolute fluence of particles** that can occur in catastrophic beam loss events.

- Preliminary simulations show that the damaging fluence in CMS tracker is reached when about **1e11 protons are lost at the TCTs**
- **A smaller TAS radius reduced the amount of background particles** leaking through, and hence the damaging level is reached with a stronger beam loss.

- Tracking tools have been extended to deal with CC failures
- Waiting for lab results about the real behavior of CCs
- Ongoing simulations with the FLUKA team and the experiments:
  - Assess the damage to the experiments in a CC failure scenario
  - Investigate the role of the TAS/TAN/TCT in experiment protection

These studies have been carried out with the collaboration of  
the **LHC Background Study Group**, the **FLUKA team**, the  
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Please, check out the following talks tomorrow in the **Joint Plenary Session with Experiments** for more detailed information (**Main Auditorium**):

- 8:45 AM  
**Overview of aperture, risks, losses, collimation and background**  
Helmut BURKHARDT
- 9:15 AM  
**Sources of failures and their tracking**  
Kyrre SJOBÄK
- 9:35 AM  
**Effects of losses and LHC/HL-LHC comparison in ATLAS and CMS**  
Antonio SBRIZZI and Moritz GUTHOFF

# Thank you!

