A Wall Current Transformer for bunch-by-bunch intensity measurements in the LHC

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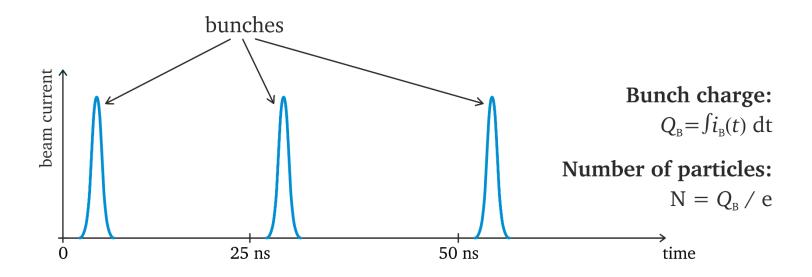


Outline

- Bunch-by-bunch intensity measurements in the LHC
- Wall Current Transformer design and installation
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- Summary



Bunches in the LHC



Typical LHC values:

• Bunch intensity: $5.10^9 - 1.5.10^{11}$ particles

Bunch length: 1 - 2 ns

Bunch spacing: 25 ns

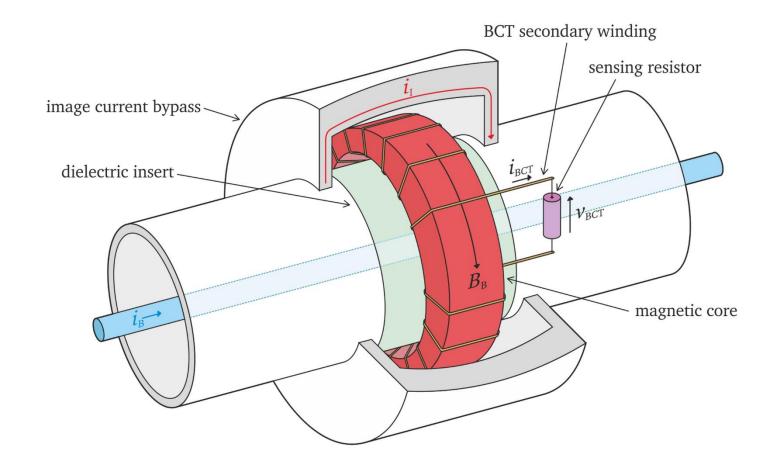


From FBCT to ICT / WCT

- Run 1: Fast Beam Current Transformers (FBCT) used for bunch-by-bunch intensity measurements in the LHC. Sensitivity to the transverse beam position and bunch length.
- **LS1:** Design of new monitors for absolute bunch-by-bunch intensity measurements. Two developments in parallel:
 - Integrating Current Transformer (ICT) by Bergoz
 - Wall Current Transformer (WCT) by CERN
- 2015: Commissioning of ICT and WCT
- 2016: Installation of two WCTs as the operational system



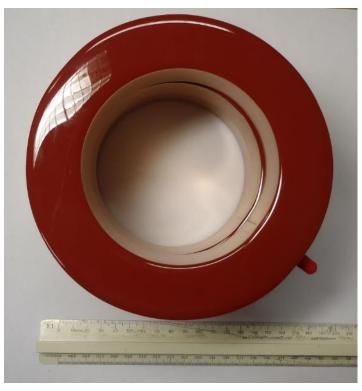
FBCT principle of operation





Bergoz ICT

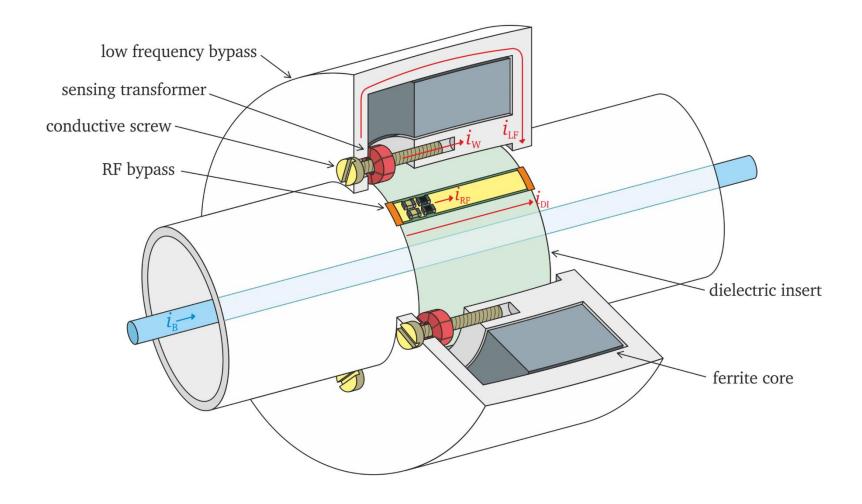




Commercially available toroid compatible with the existing LHC FBCT mechanics and cooling system

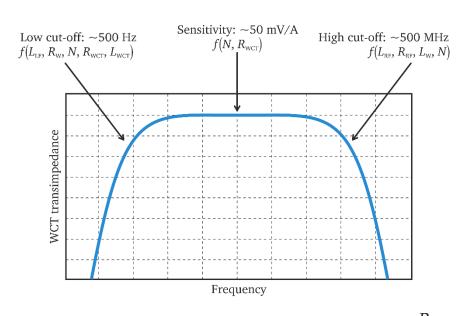


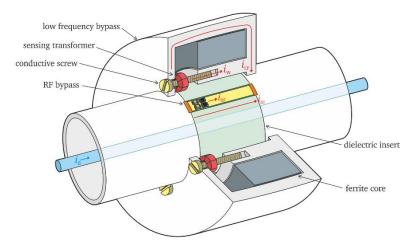
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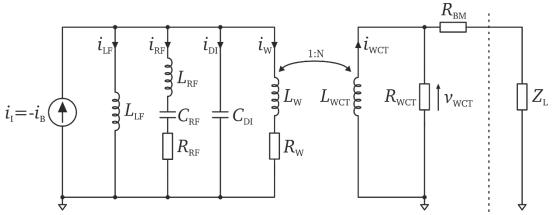




WCT principle of operation



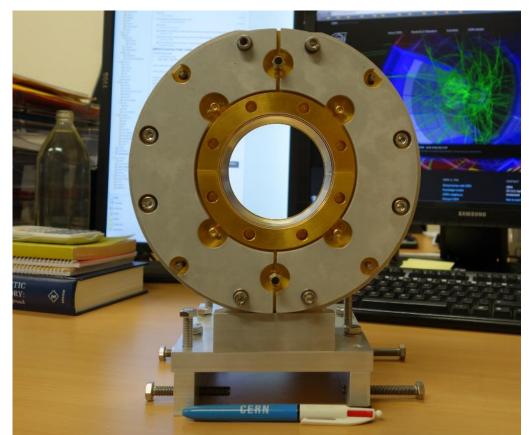


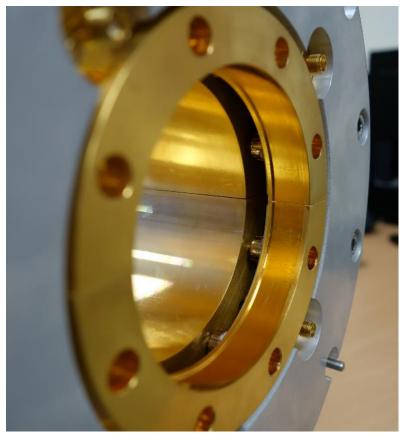


| $L_{\scriptscriptstyle m LF}$ | $\sim 10~\mu H$ | $L_{\scriptscriptstyle m W}$ | ~ | 1 nH |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| $L_{\scriptscriptstyle m RF}$ | $\sim 0.1 \text{ nH}$ | $R_{\scriptscriptstyle m W}$ | ~ | $50 \text{ m}\Omega$ |
| $C_{\scriptscriptstyle\mathrm{RF}}$ | $\sim 50 \text{ nF}$ | $L_{\scriptscriptstyle m WCT}$ | ~ | 1 mH |
| R_{RF} | $\sim 1 \Omega$ | $R_{\scriptscriptstyle m WCT}$ | ~ | 5 Ω |
| C_{di} | $\sim 1 \text{ pF}$ | N | ~ | 10 |



WCT design

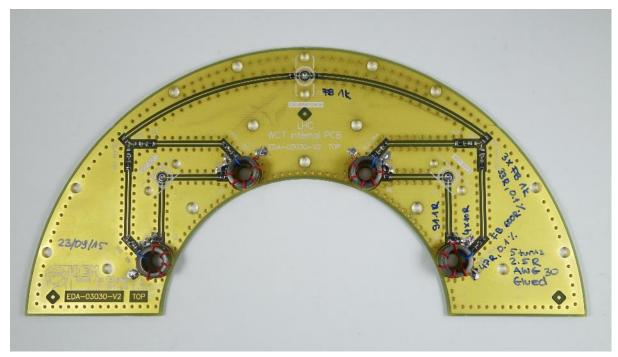


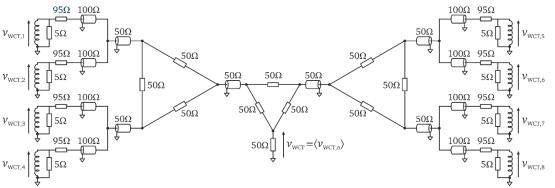


All parts cut in half – installation and removal does not require breaking the accelerator vacuum



WCT design





Calibration winding:

- single turn
- calibration with current
- low resistance at low frequencies (minimising power dissipation)
- high impedance at high frequencies (decoupling from beam)

Signal winding:

- few turns
- low impedance
- averaging two nearest transformers on the PCB

Signal addition:

the four outputs are passively summed (averaged) outside, but close to, the monitor

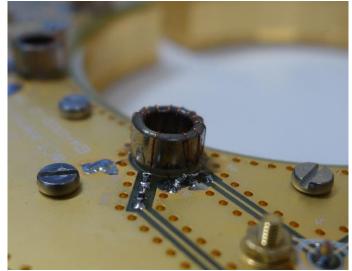


Magnetic cores



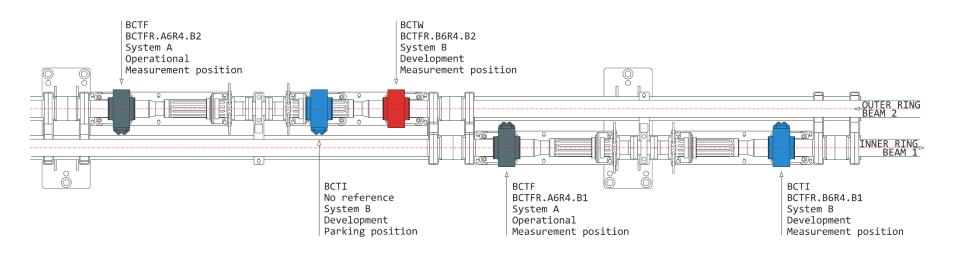








LHC Point 4 installation in 2015

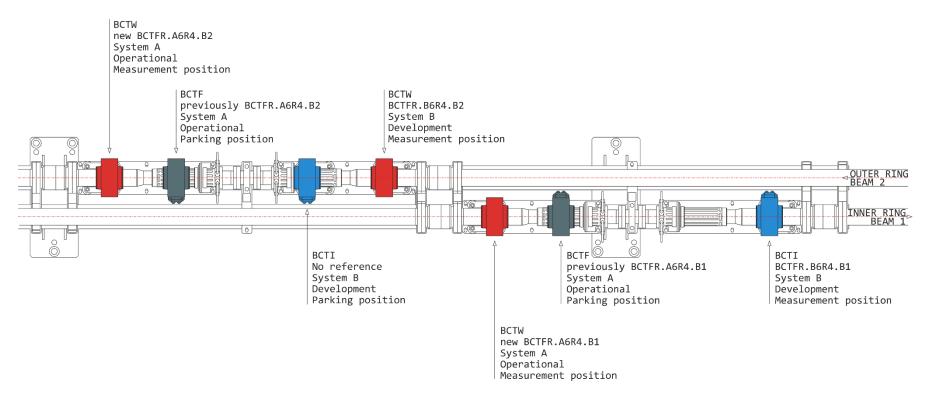


System A (operational): no change during LS1

System B (development): two new monitors (WCT + ICT), digital acquisition in parallel to DABs



LHC Point 4 installation in 2016



System A (operational): two new WCTs installed during YETS 2015/2016 to be commissioned in 2016



LHC WCT installation











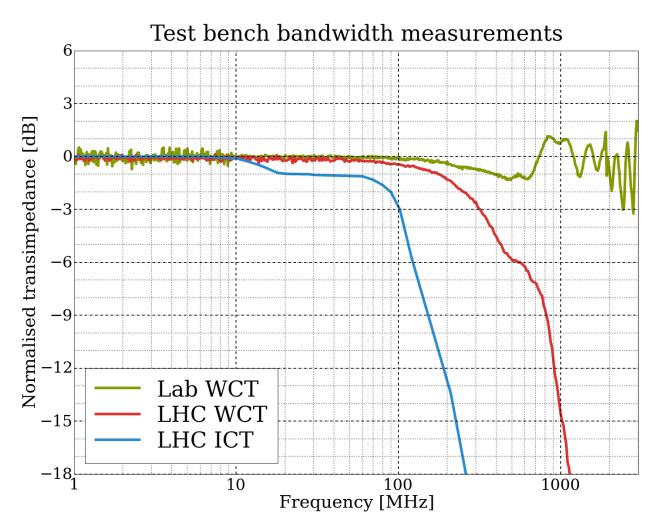


Design launched: 01/10/2013

First installation in the LHC: 02/03/2015



Bandwidth



Lab WCT:

- work in progress
- RF bypass
- 1.1 GHz filter
- low cut-off: 500 Hz

LHC WCT:

- RF bypass
- 400 MHz filter
- low cut-off: 500 Hz

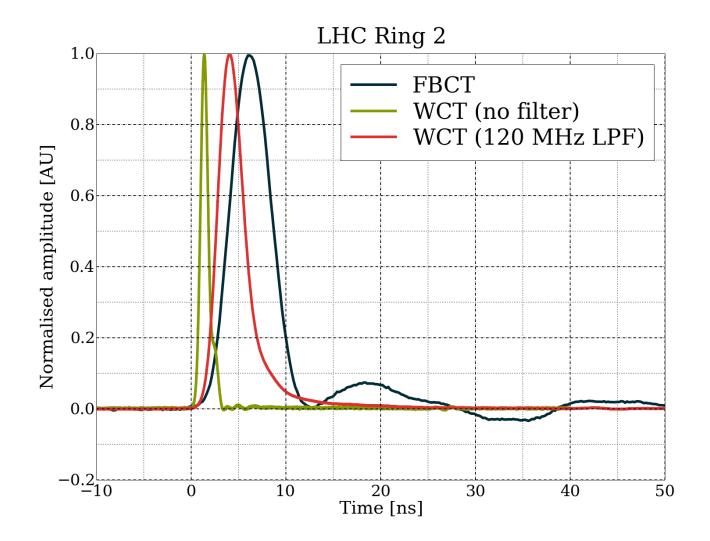
LHC ICT:

- no filter
- low cut-off: 600 Hz

Test bench not very reliable above 1 GHz



FBCT / WCT nominal bunch



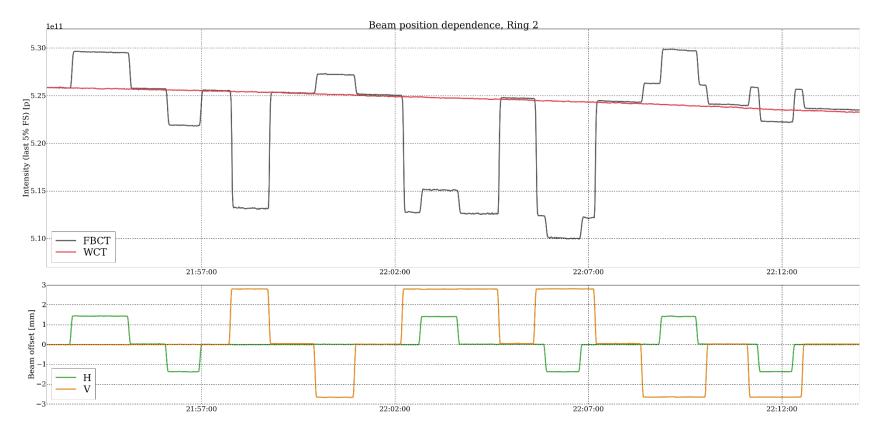


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Bunch position sensitivity MD

Dedicated MD on 20/07/2015



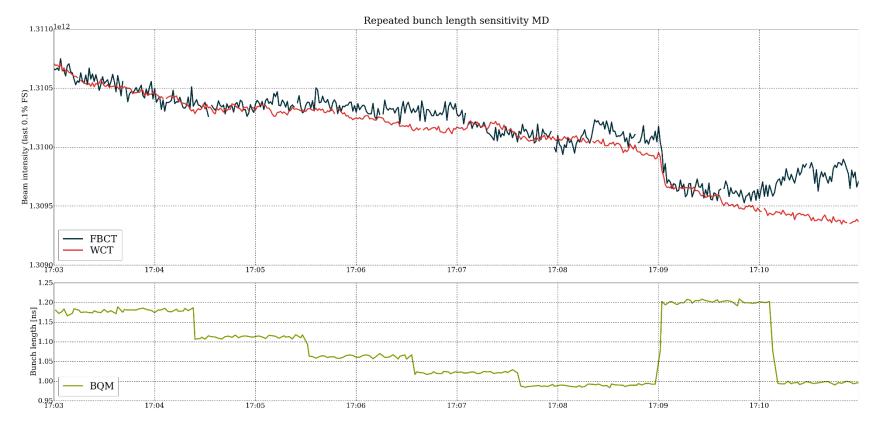
FBCT $\Delta I/I \approx (0.3 - 0.7)\% / mm$

WCT ∆I/I < 0.001% / mm Not measurable



Bunch length sensitivity MD

Ad-hoc MD on 22/09/2015



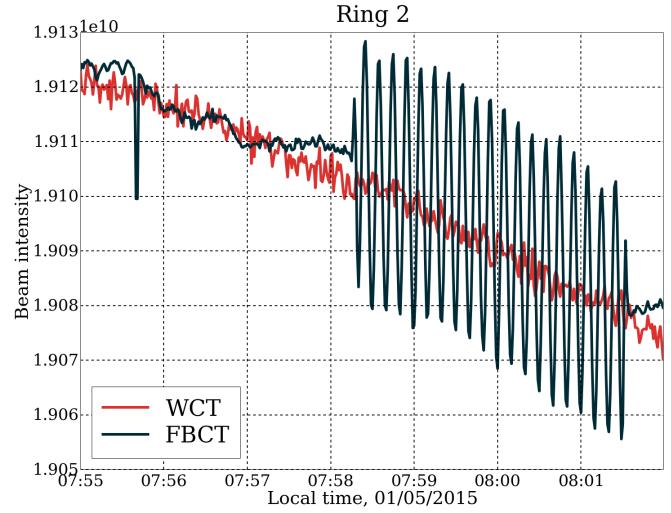
FBCT $\Delta I/I < 0.2\% / ns$

WCT $\Delta I/I < 0.2\% / ns$



Radial modulation

Chromaticity measurement by modulation of the RF frequency.

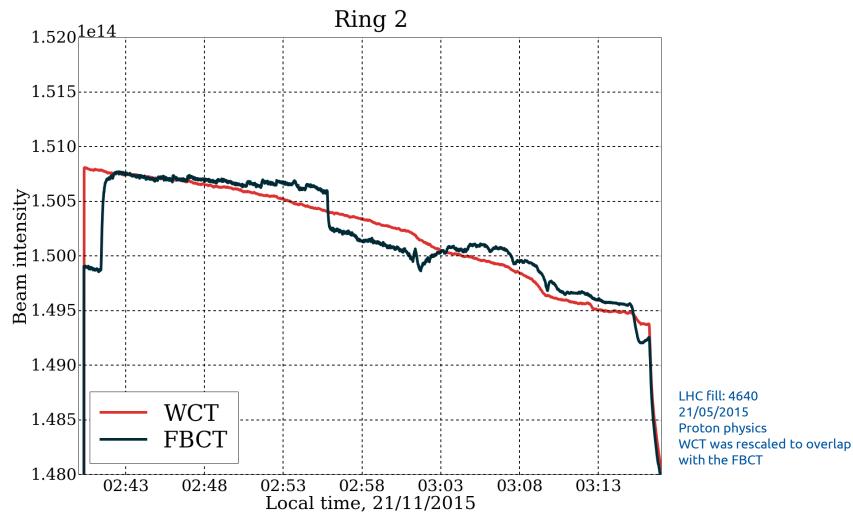


LHC fill: 3670 01/05/2015 Post LS1 commissioning WCT was rescaled to overlap with the FBCT

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Orbit correction

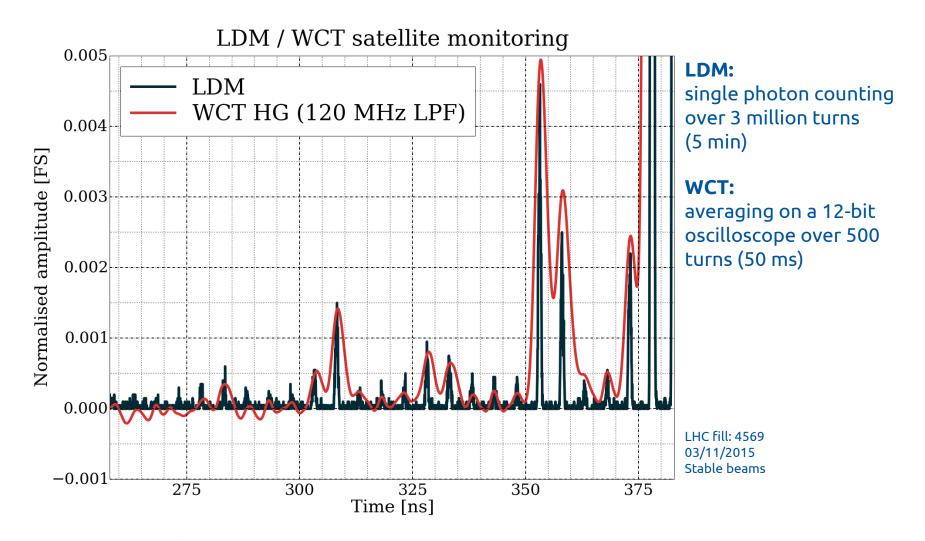




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Satellite and ghost bunches





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Summary

- During 2015 performance of the first prototype
 WCT was evaluated with the LHC beams
- The WCT was shown to be insensitive to beam position and bunch length variations
- The WCT output pulse is shorter than the output pulse of the FBCT – measurements are easier
- During YETS 2015/2016 the two operational FBCTs were replaced with the WCTs
- The new WCTs are waiting for commissioning with beam



Thanks for the attention

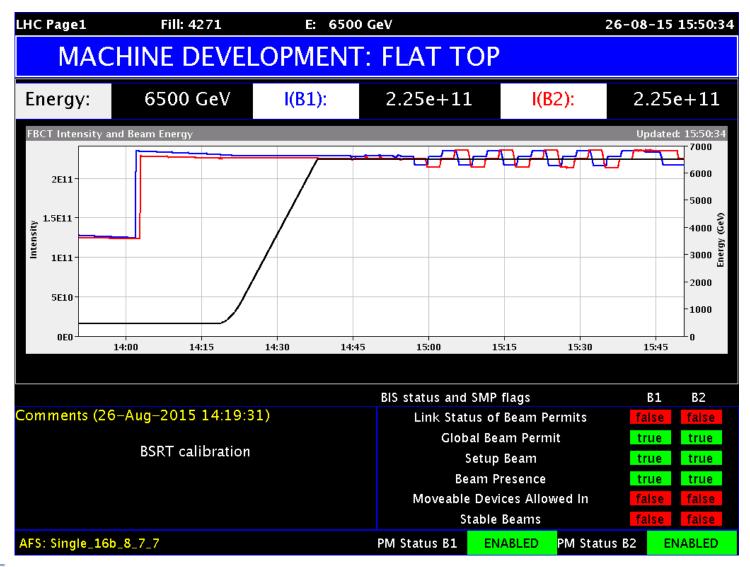
Questions?

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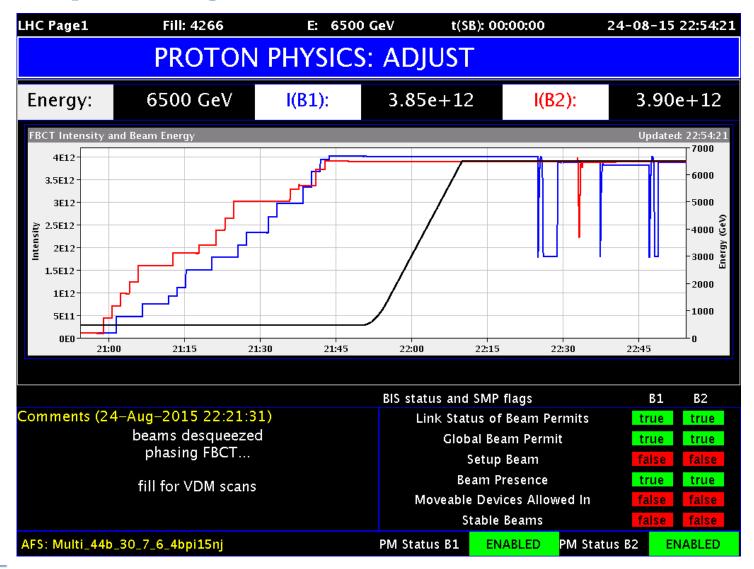


BSRT calibration





FBCT phasing

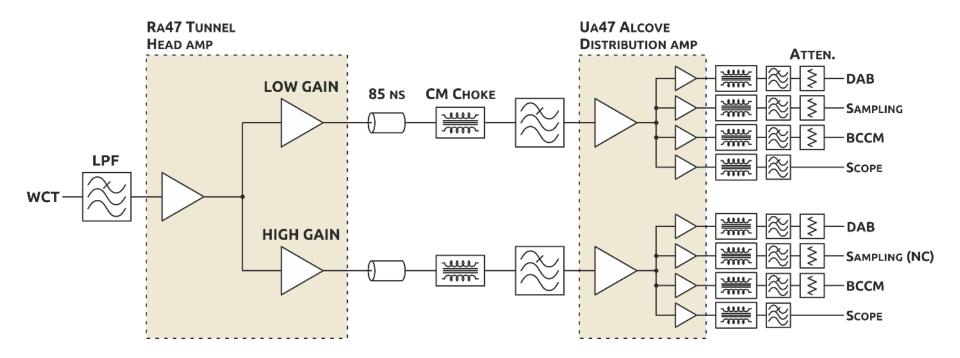




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LHC WCT installation

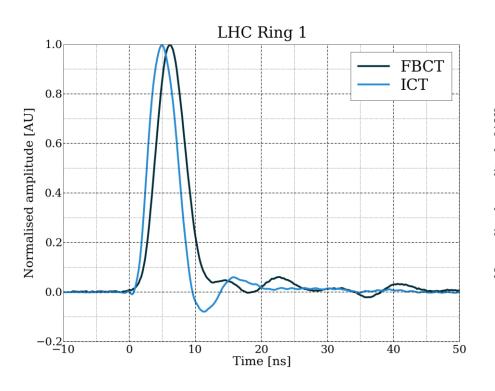


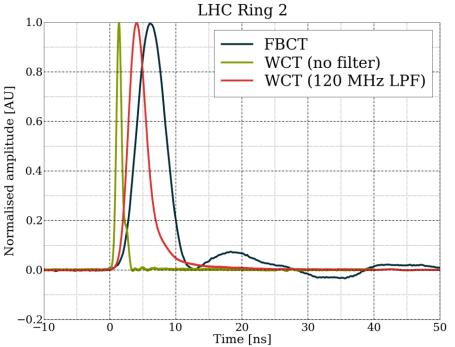
Active splitting – no cross-channel reflections

Different gain and bandwidth for each channel



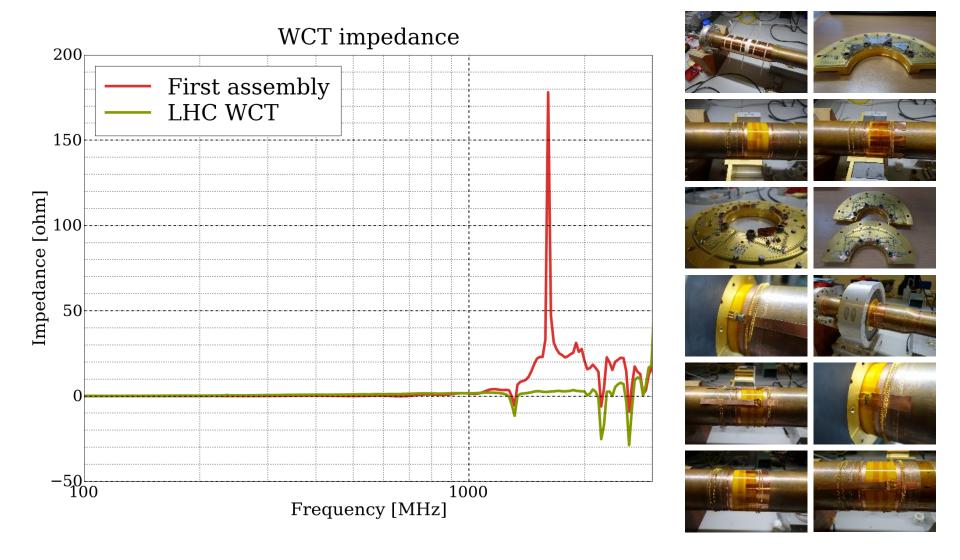
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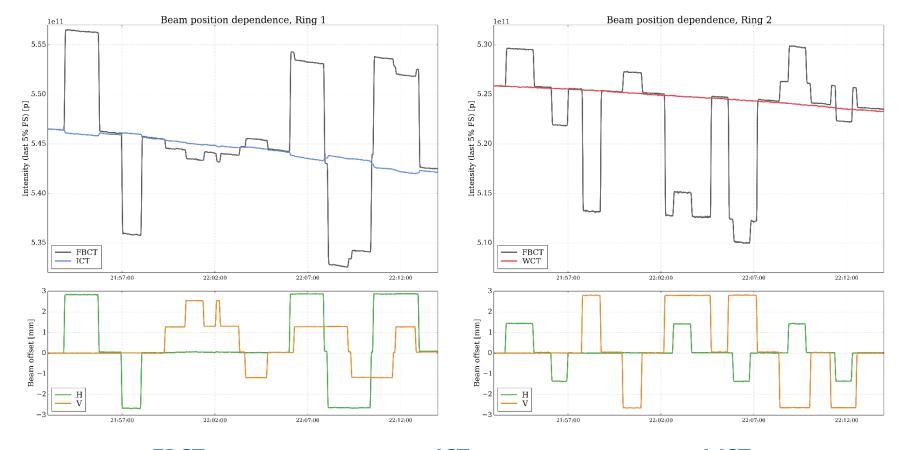


Impedance



Beam position sensitivity MD

Dedicated MD on 20/07/2015



FBCT

ICT $\Delta I/I \approx (0.3 - 0.7)\% \cdot mm^{-1}$ $\Delta I/I \approx (0.01-0.02)\% \cdot mm^{-1}$

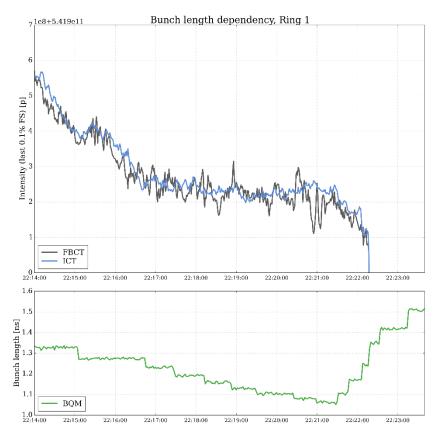
WCT $\Delta I/I < 0.001\% \cdot mm^{-1}$ Not measurable

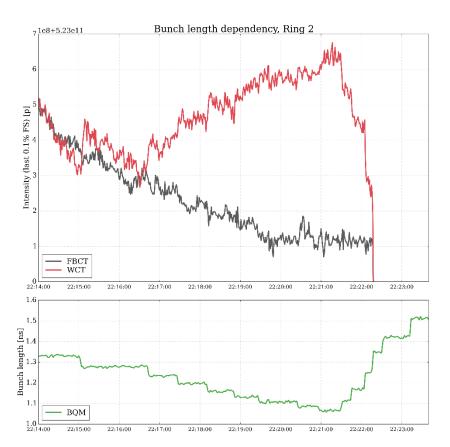
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Bunch length sensitivity MD

Dedicated MD on 20/07/2015





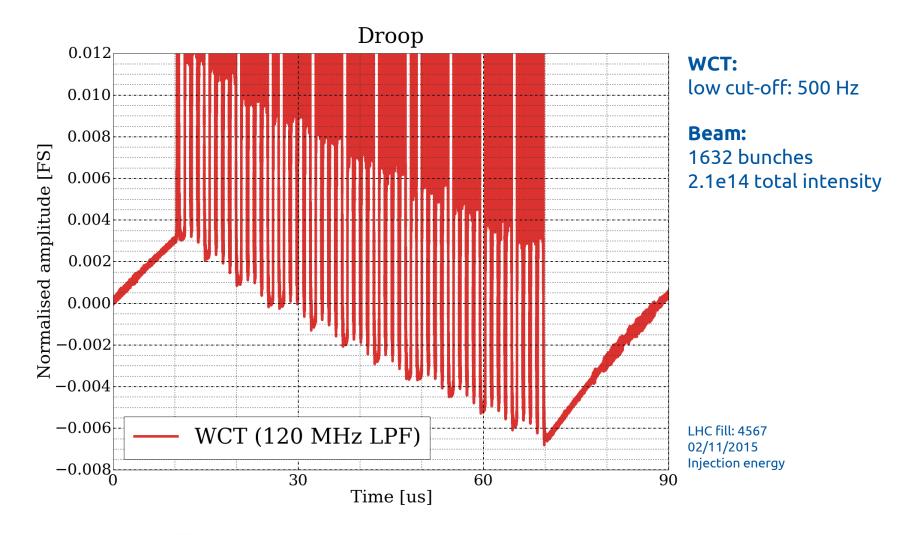
FBCT $\Delta I/I < 0.2\% \cdot ns^{-1}$

ICT $\Delta I/I < 0.2\% \cdot ns^{-1}$

WCT $\Delta I/I \approx 0.5\% \cdot ns^{-1}$ Not understood at the time of the MD



Baseline droop and restoration

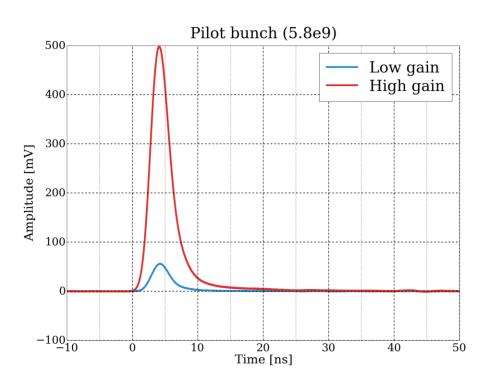


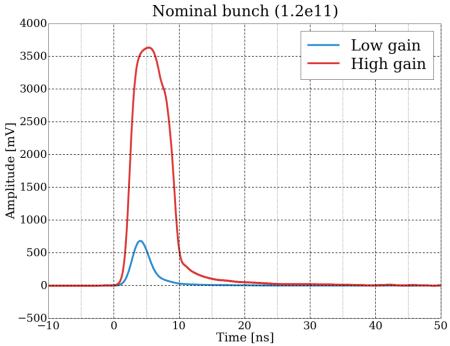


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WCT bunch response

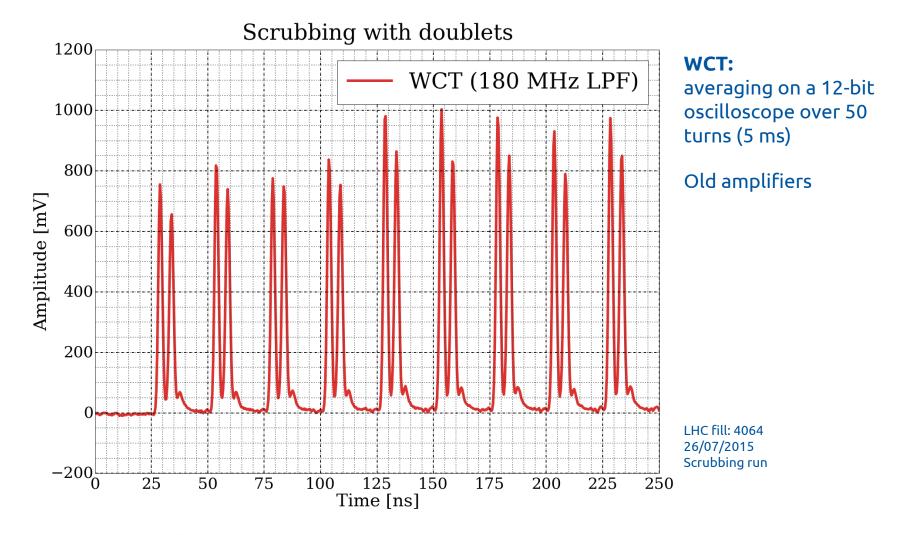




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Doublet bunches

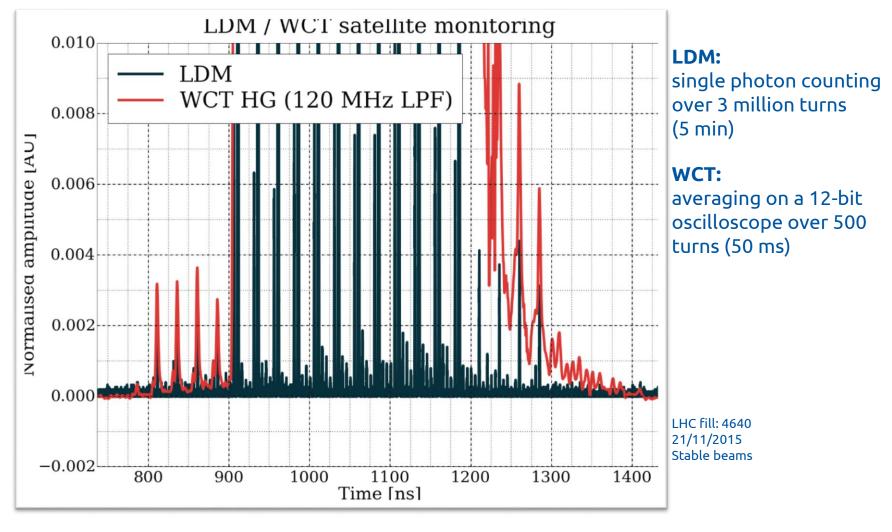




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Satellite and ghost bunches



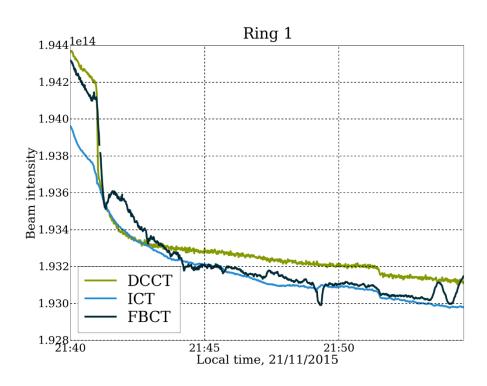


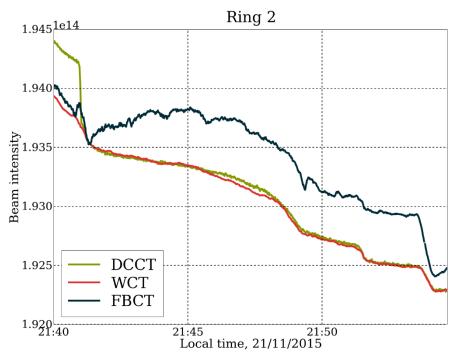
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Energy ramp

Bunch length reduction, RF change, orbit change, unbunched beam loss



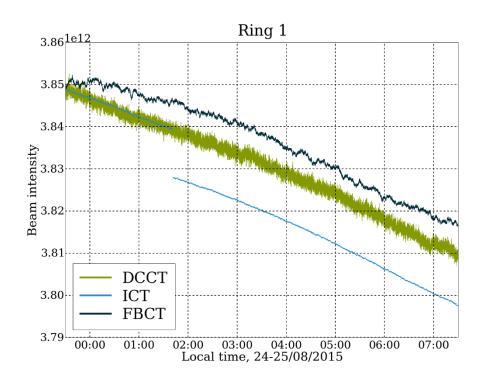


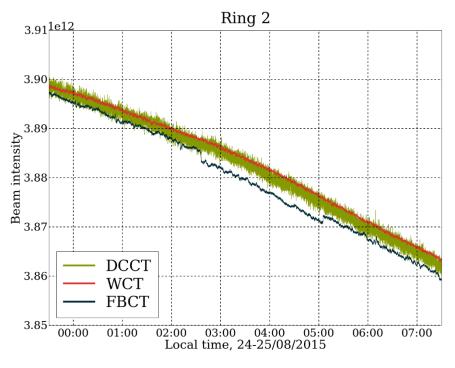
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Van der Meer scans

Absolute bunch-by-bunch measurements

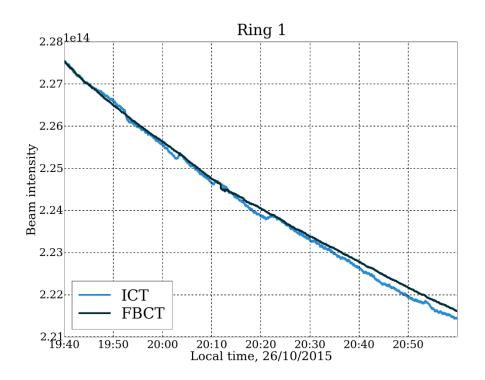




LHC fill: 4538 24-25/08/2015 VDM scans No rescaling, all plots as logged



(un)Stable beams



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2.15 WCT

FBCT

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2.15 Local time, 26/10/2015

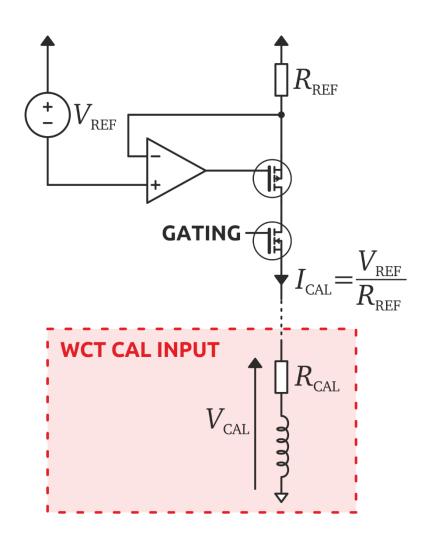
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WCT calibration circuit

Current source:

- ~10 ppm shot-to-shot stability
- ~100 ppm accuracy
- ~5 µs switch-on time
- I_{CAL} limited by V_{CAL} (~1.5 A for R_{CAL} ~ 10 Ω)
- R_{REF} : 5 Ω ± 0.01% < 0.2 ppm/°C



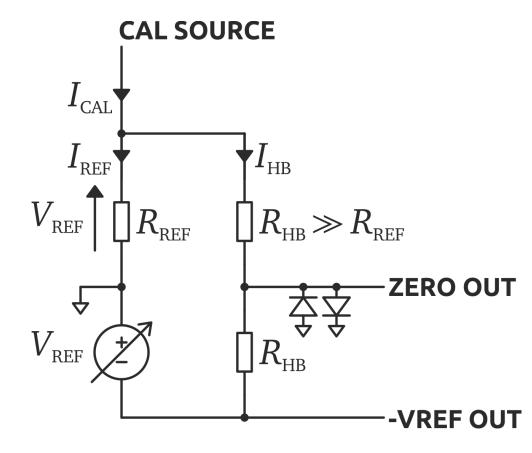
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WCT calibration circuit

Current measurement:

- Half-bridge principle
- Variable reference voltage source controlled by potentiometer and DAC (coarse / fine)
- R_{RFF} : 10 $\Omega \pm 0.01\%$ < 0.2 ppm/°C
- R_{HB} : 100 k Ω ± 0.01% < 1 ppm/°C





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