



Status and Outlook of the LHC

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Outline

- Objectives for 2016 and run2
- Parameters for 2016 and differences w.r.t. 2015
- Summary of commissioning and operation
- Performance and achievements
- Peek at 2017 and 2018

Objectives for Run 2

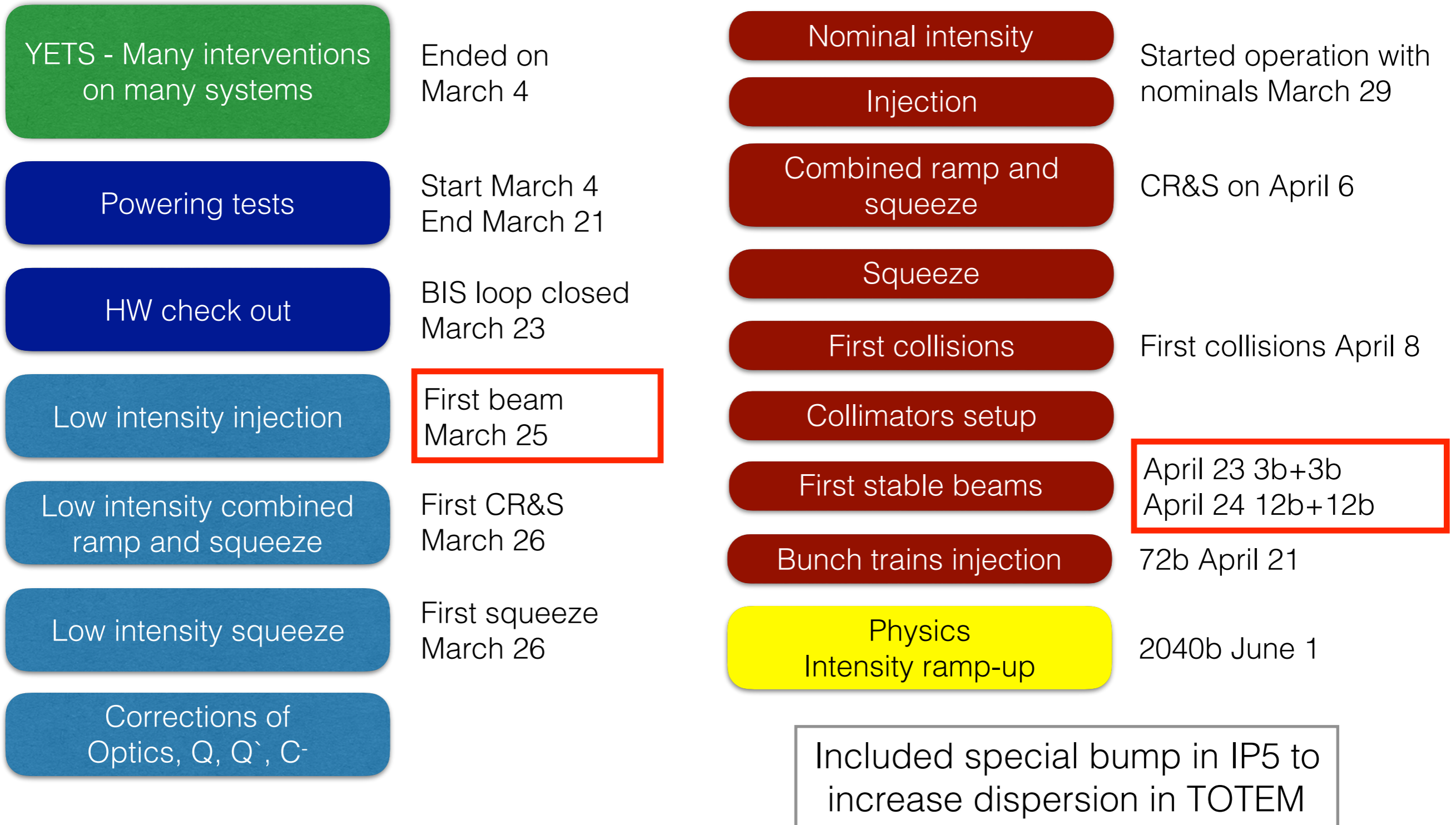
- Run 2 main objective: **100 fb⁻¹** p-p for ATLAS and CMS at **$E_{cm} \geq 13\text{TeV}$**
- **2015**: Recommission the machine after LS1 at $E_{beam} = 6.5\text{TeV}$. Target **5 fb⁻¹**
- **2016**: p-p production + Pb-p run. Target p-p **25 fb⁻¹**
- **2017-2018**: p-p (+ HI in 2018). Target p-p **35 fb⁻¹/y**

Changes 2015 → 2016

$$L = \frac{N_b^2 f_{rev} k_b}{4\pi \epsilon \beta^*} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\phi_{xing} \sigma_s}{2\sigma_{xing}}\right)^2}}$$

- New **combined ramp & squeeze** → shorter cycle
- Better handling of e-cloud effects → **mitigate transients**,
- Changed BLM thresholds → **minimise dumps due to UFOs**
- Smaller **beta*** from 80cm to **40cm** → higher luminosity
- BCMS beams → **smaller transverse emittances** → higher luminosity
- **Reduced crossing angle** 185 μrad → 140 μrad (1/2 angle)

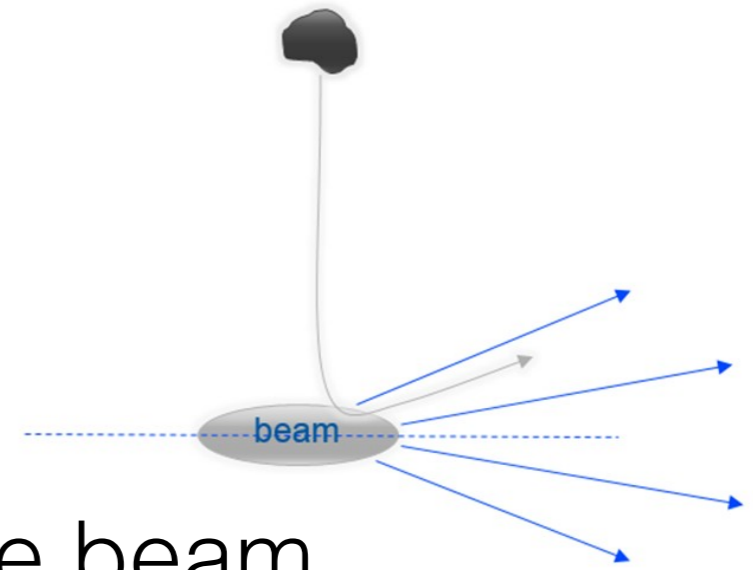
Commissioning milestones



Possible performance limitations

- Unidentified laying object (ULO)
 - Reduces available aperture
- Unidentified falling objects (**UFO**)
 - Trigger beam dumps and magnet quenches
- **Electron cloud**
 - Limits number of bunches (vacuum, thermal load)
 - Instabilities: losses, degraded beam quality
- **Hardware faults** rate
 - Fault tracking tools (identify critical systems)
 - Consolidations (using fault tracking as input)
 - R2E project (SEU almost gone)

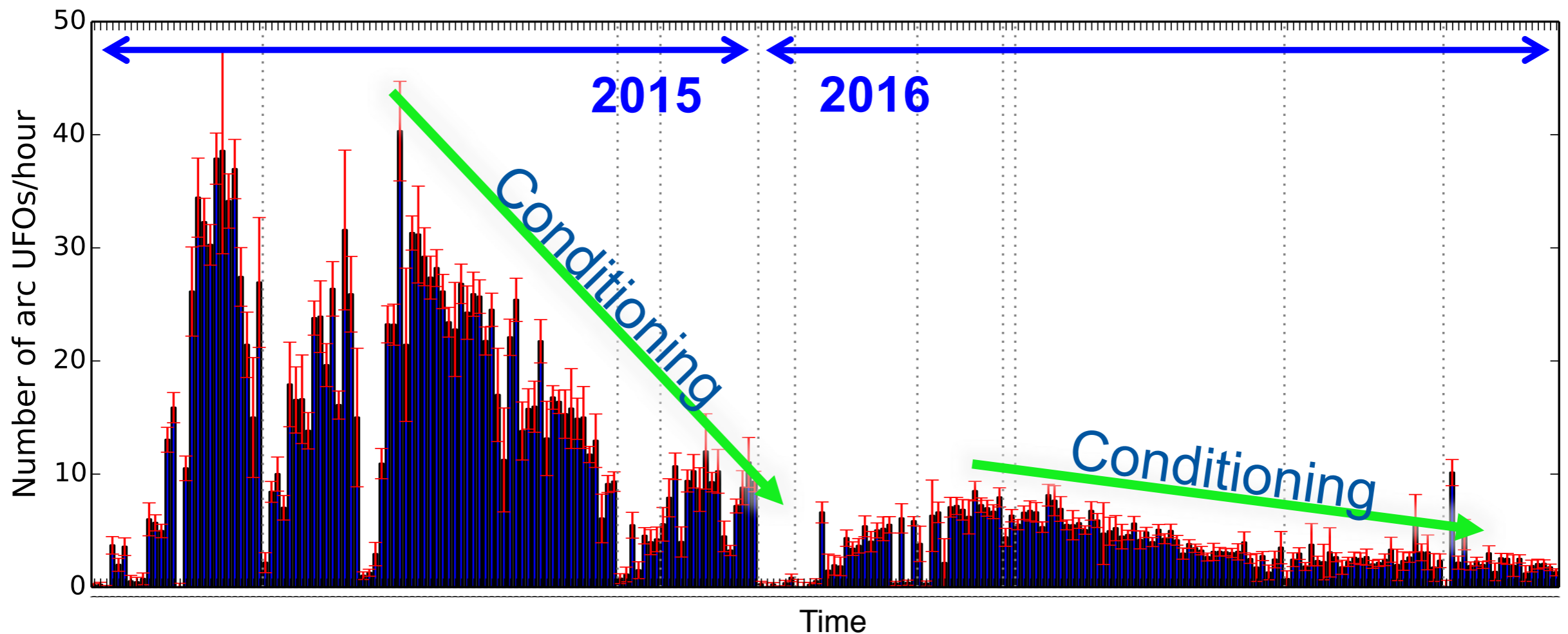
UFOs



- Small particles ($\sim 10\mu\text{m}$) falling onto the beam generating showers
- Source and mechanism not fully understood yet
- **2015**: **21** UFO-related **dumps**, including **3 quenches** (ULO events not included)
- In 2016 increased threshold of BLMs
 - Expected increase of UFO-induced quenches ($\sim +1$)
 - Expected decrease of UFO-induced dumps (~ -10)
- **2016**: **20** UFO-related **dumps** including **3 quenches**

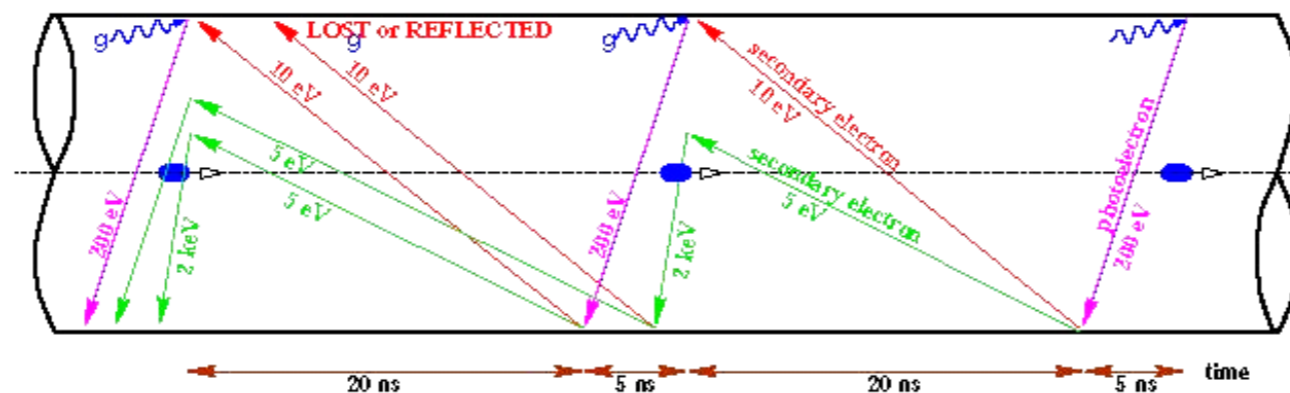
Evolution of UFOs

- There is a clear conditioning effect
- Not known if conditioning will be lost after venting
- At the present rate UFOs are under control



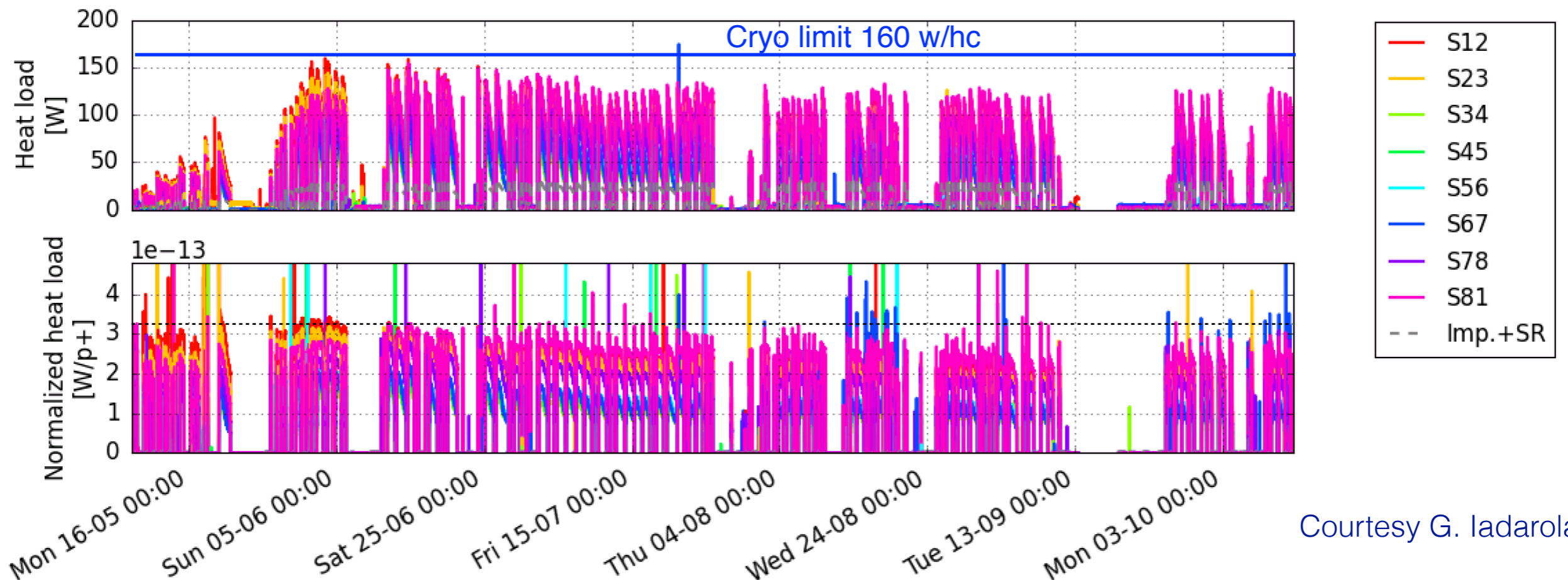
Electron cloud

- Electron liberated on the vacuum chamber are accelerated by the p+ beam
- Accelerated electrons impact on the vacuum chamber liberating more electrons
- If the SEY is high, and the bunch spacing short, it turns into an avalanche producing **heat load on the cold beam screens** and **trigger beam instabilities**
- electron bombardment reduces the SEY (scrubbing)



e-cloud in 2016

Modest effects of e-cloud during 2016 due to the limitation in bunch current and short batches

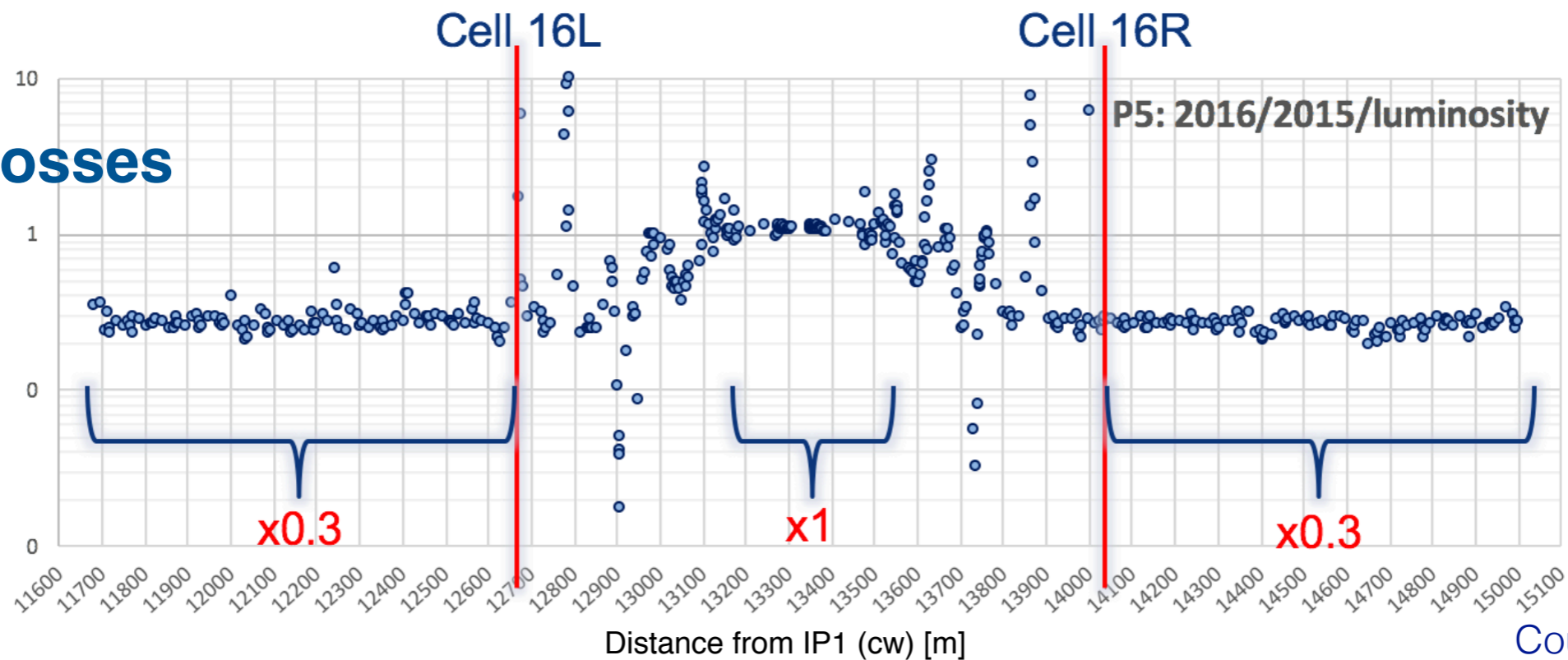


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Radiation effects

Equipment	Dumps 2015 (After TS2)	dumps 2016 35fb-1 (Expected)	dumps 2016 20fb-1 (22.07)
QPS	3	0-5	0
Power Converter	3	~13	2
<u>Cryo</u>	0	0	0
EN/EL	0	0	0
TE/ABT	0	0	1*
Vacuum	0	0	0
Collimation	0	0	0
RF	4**	0	0

Beam Losses

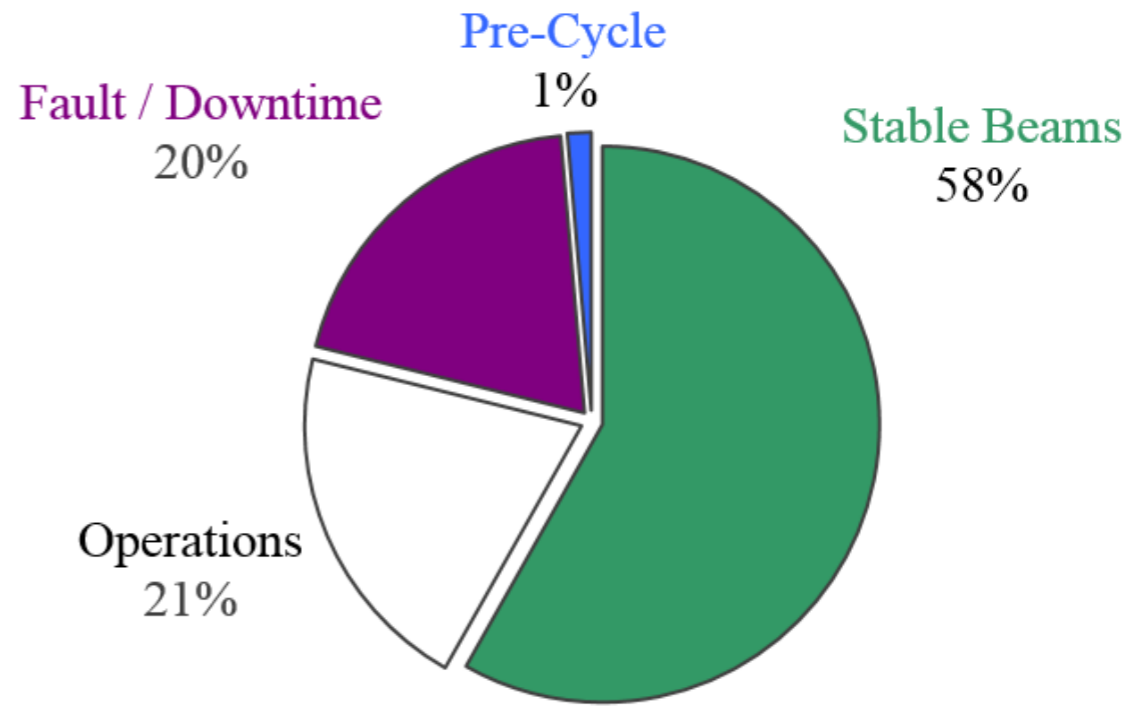


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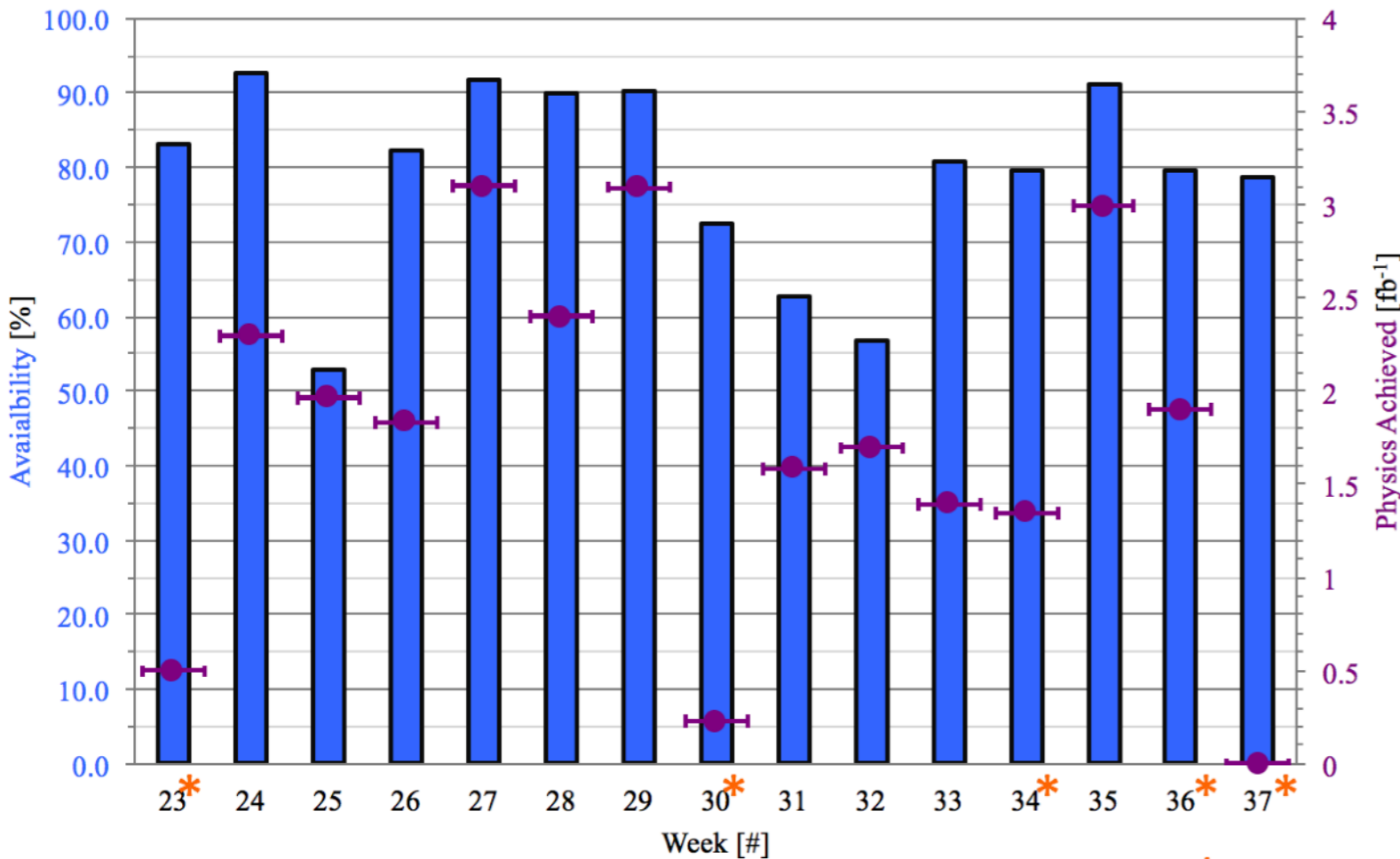
6 June → 18 September

Excellent availability!

Almost 50% of fills dumped by OP



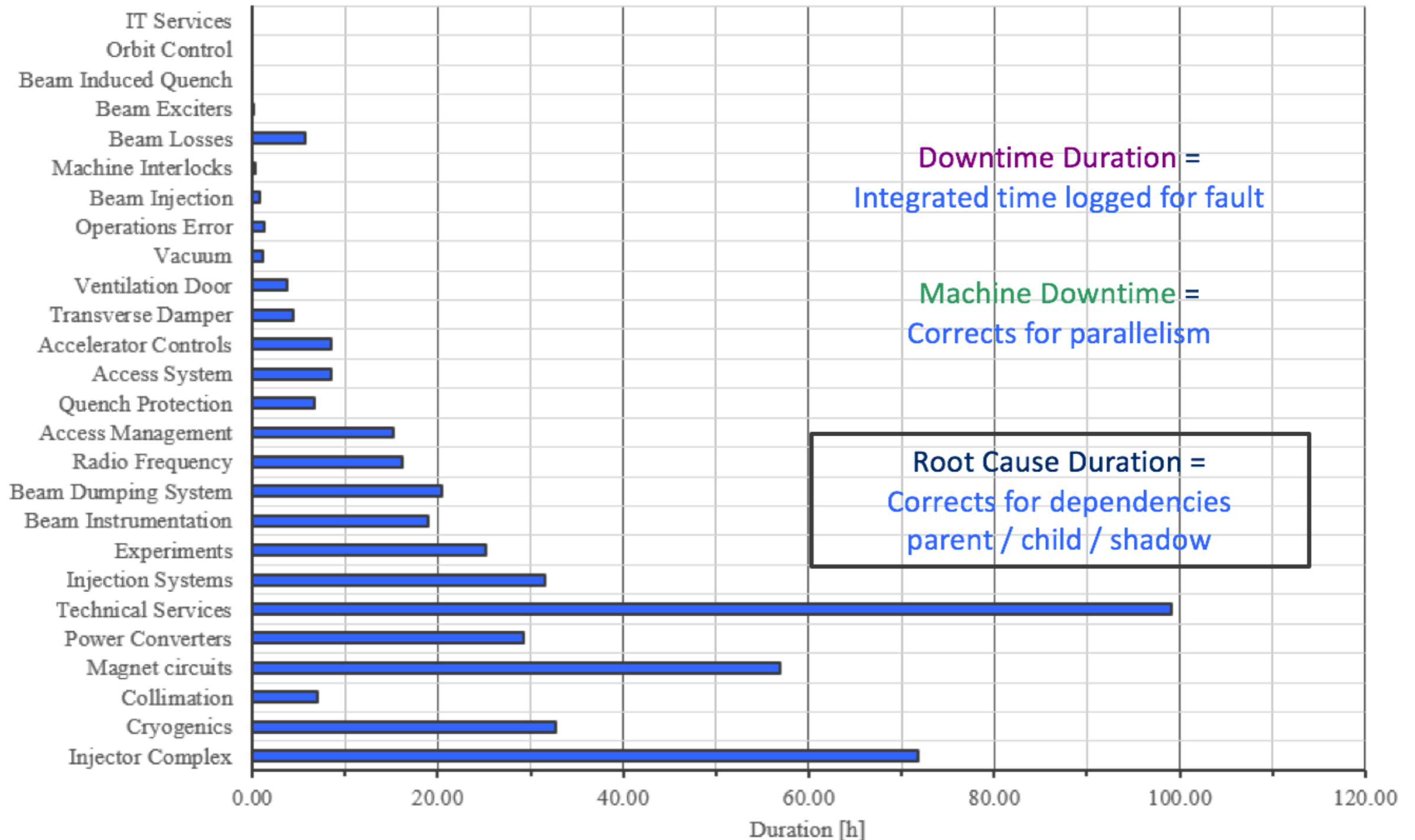
Availability and Physics Achieved by Week



Mode	Duration [h]
Stable Beams	1112.0
Operations	384.6
Fault / Downtime	377.5
Pre-Cycle	26.4
Total	1910.5

79 days physics ≈ 1910.5 hours

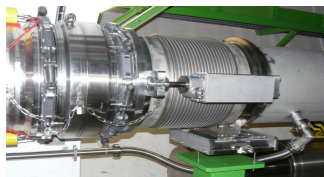
Fault analysis



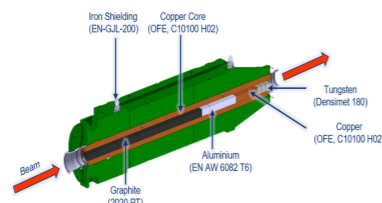
Other limitations in 2016

- Start of the run affected by few important faults
- Some generated **long downtimes**
 - 66kV transformer IP8, POPS, PS MPS, water flooding Pt.3
- Some imposed **limitations** throughout the year
 - LHC dump B1 N₂ leak (in the shadow of other limitations)
 - SPS internal dump (TIDVG) (**no 144b/288b trains, max 2040b/2220b**)
 - Bad vacuum around injection kicker of B2
 - max total current for **B2 limited to $\sim 2.4E14p$** (e-cloud)

14 April - LHC dump B1



25 April - SPS dump



27 April – POPS down



29 April martenen



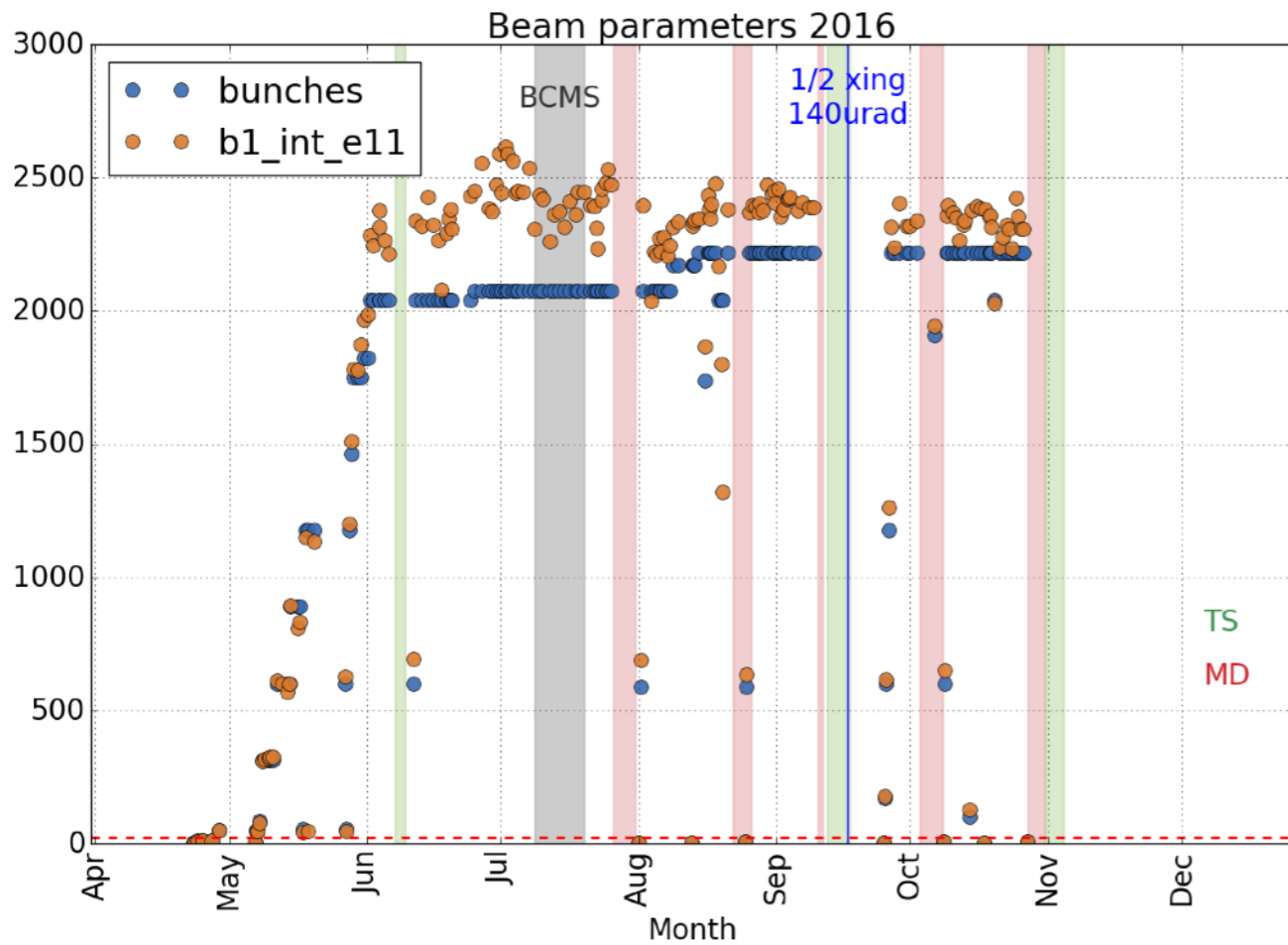
20 May - PS MPS



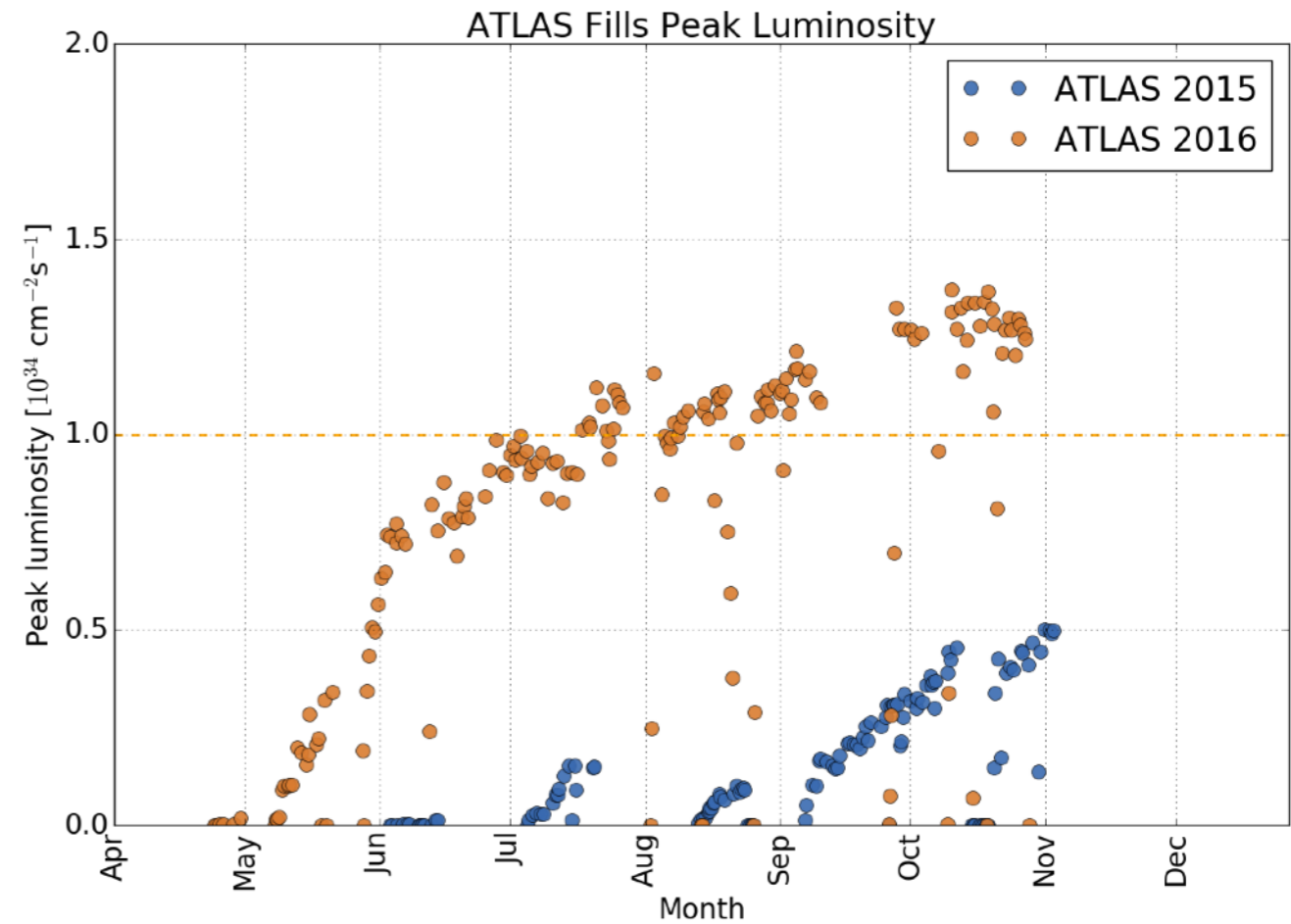
21 June - Water Pt. 3



LHC performance 2016

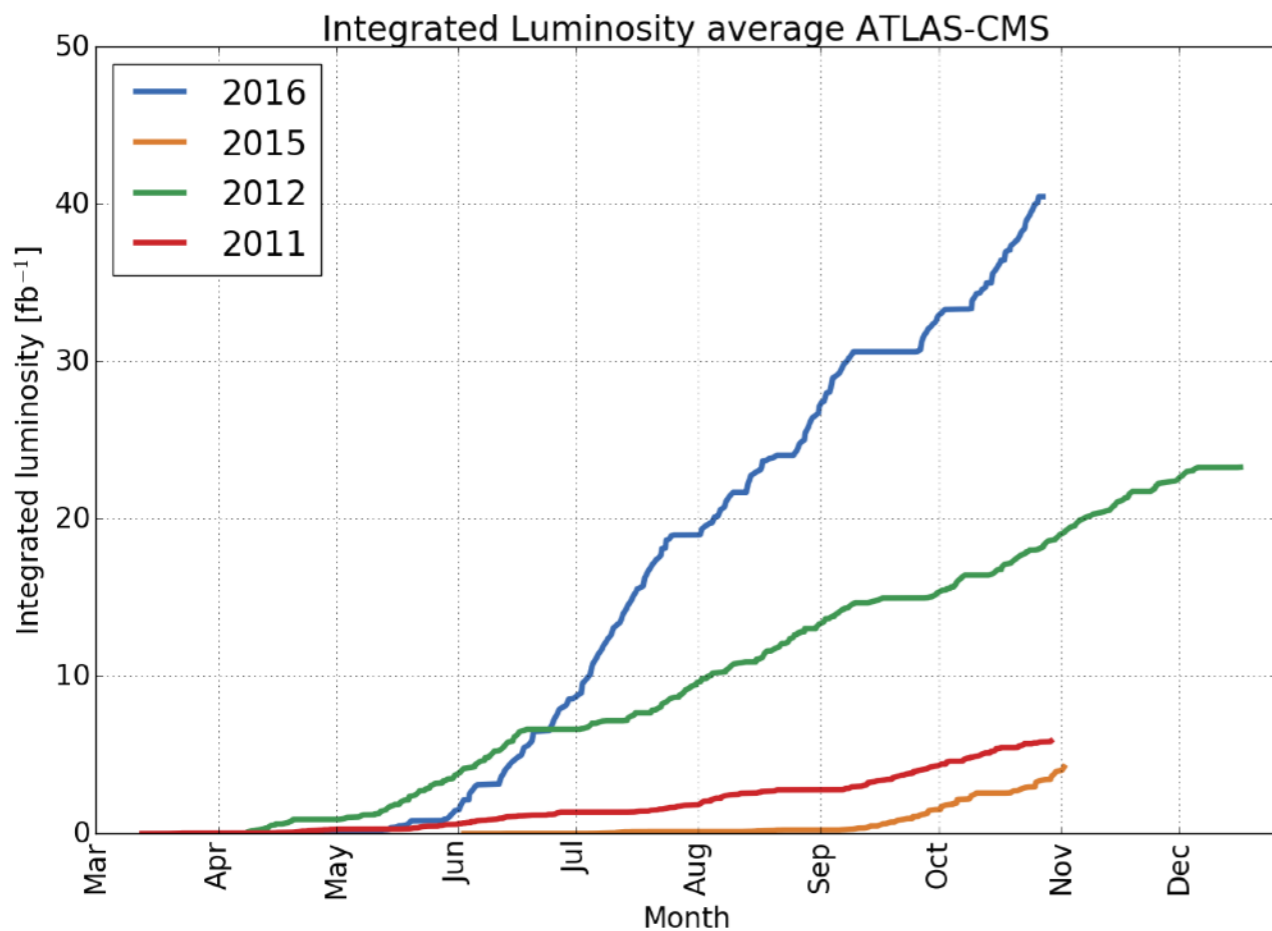


Steady production from beginning of June

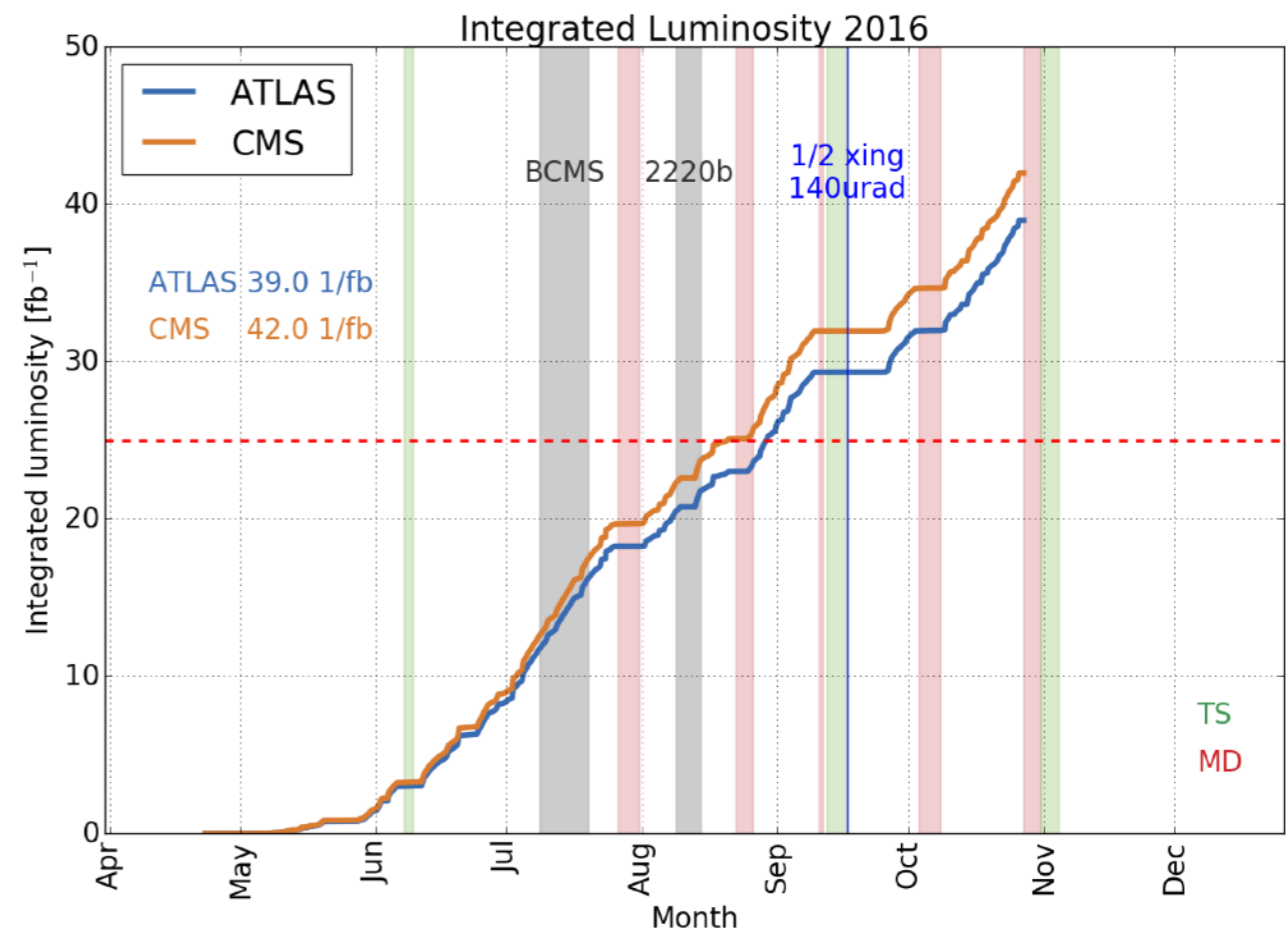


From end of June LHC operated consistently above design peak luminosity

Production 2016

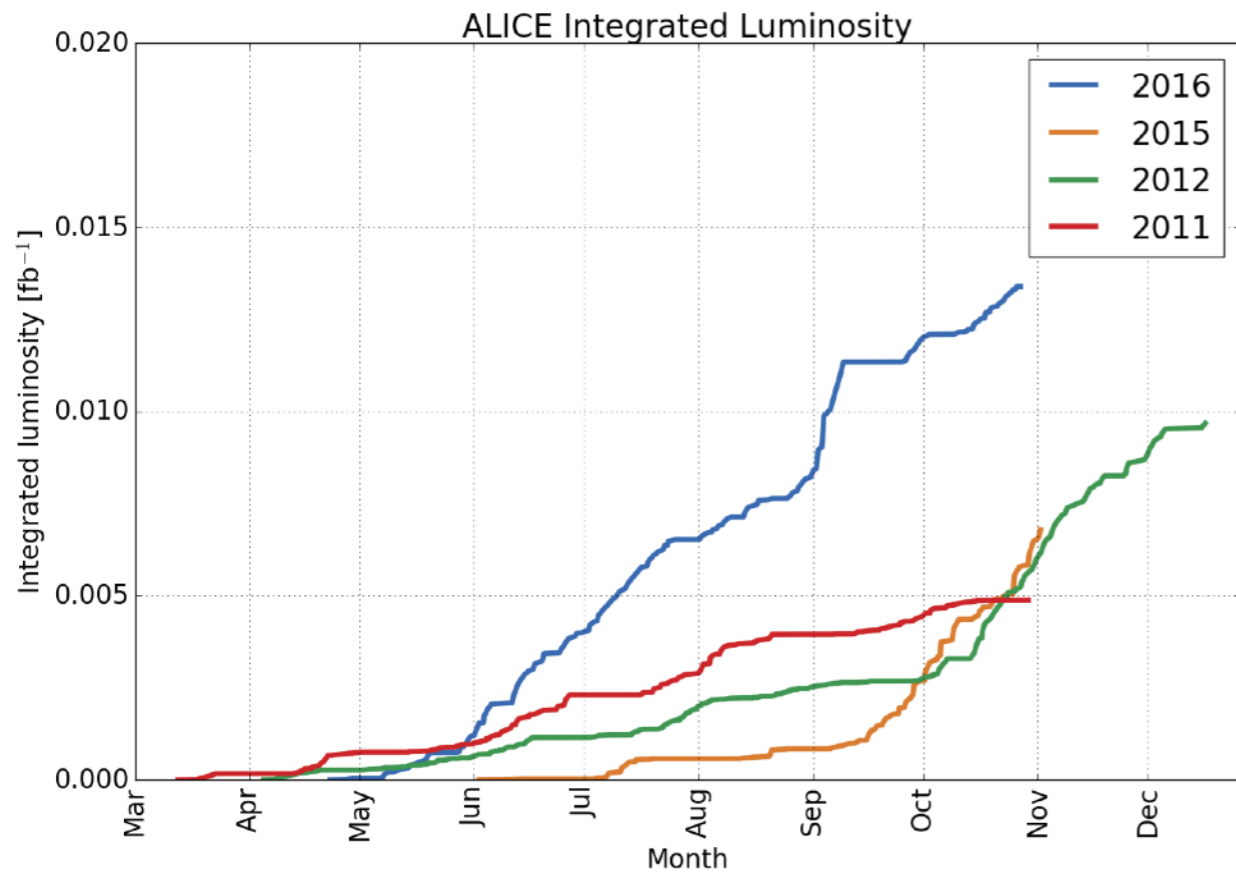


Astonishing integrated luminosity achievement

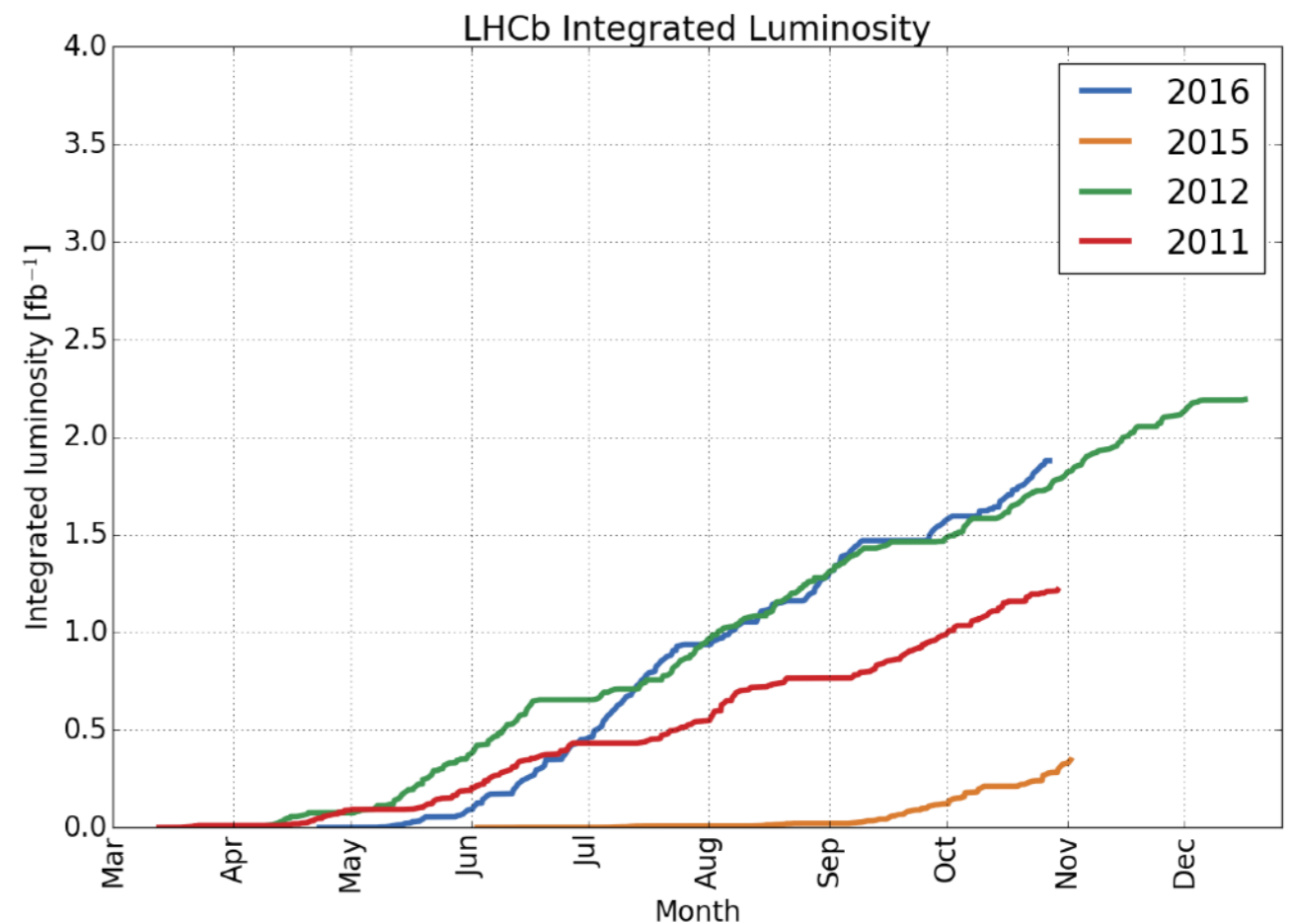


Fast ramp-up after each configuration change
Steady peace through the year

Not only ATLAS and CMS

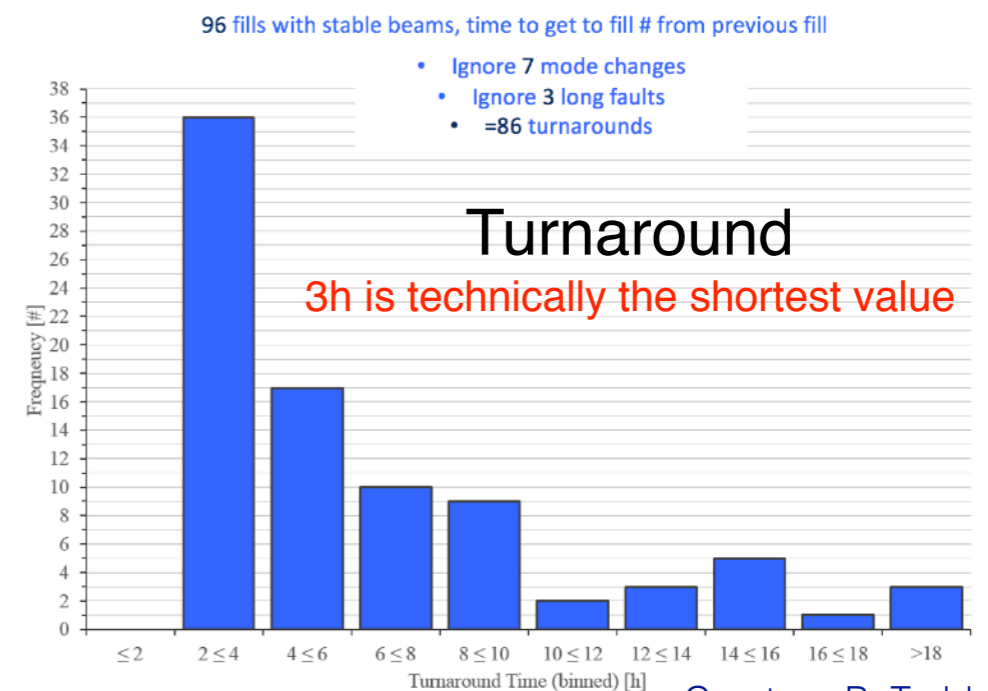
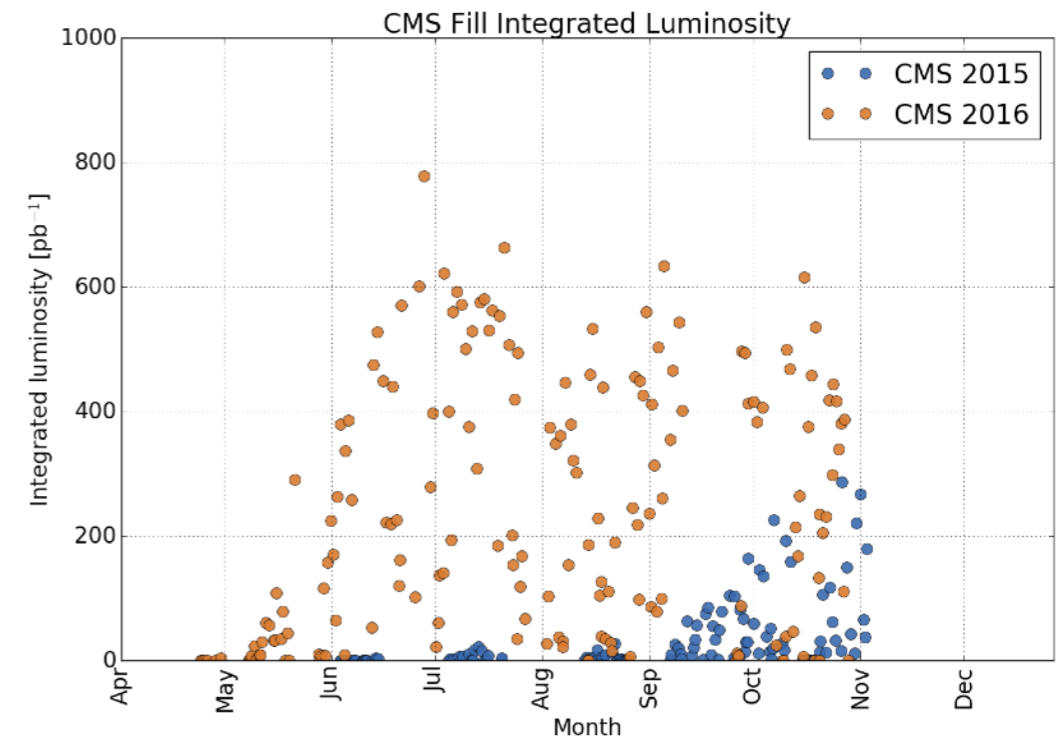
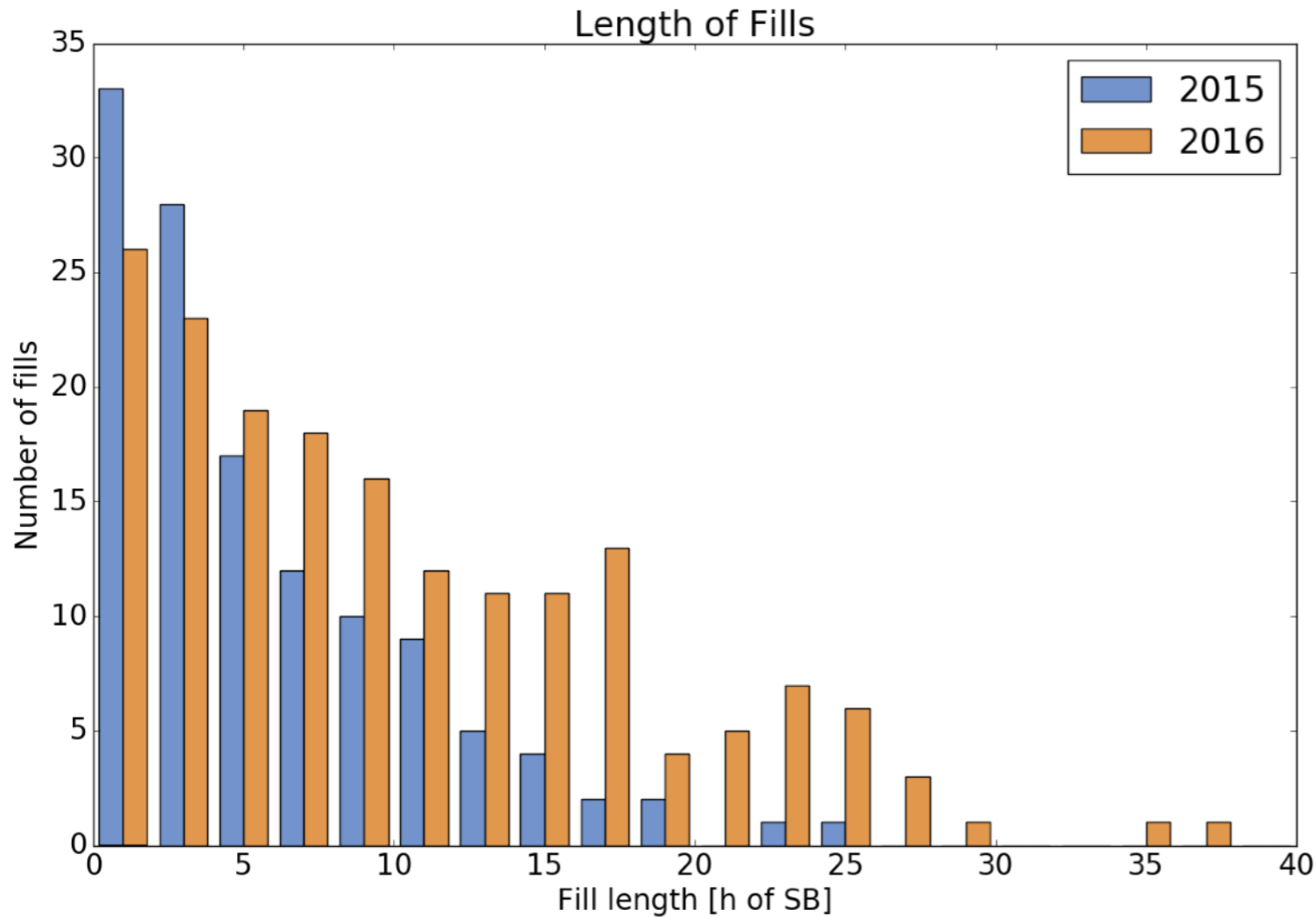


ALICE $\sim 13.5 \text{ nb}^{-1}$
LHCb $\sim 1.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



Both profit from the long fills

Operation cycle

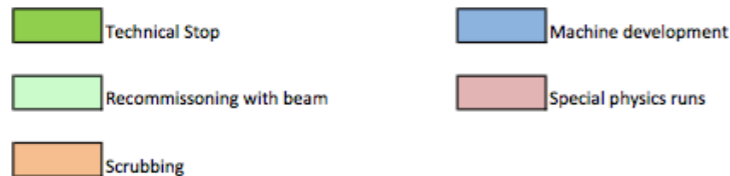
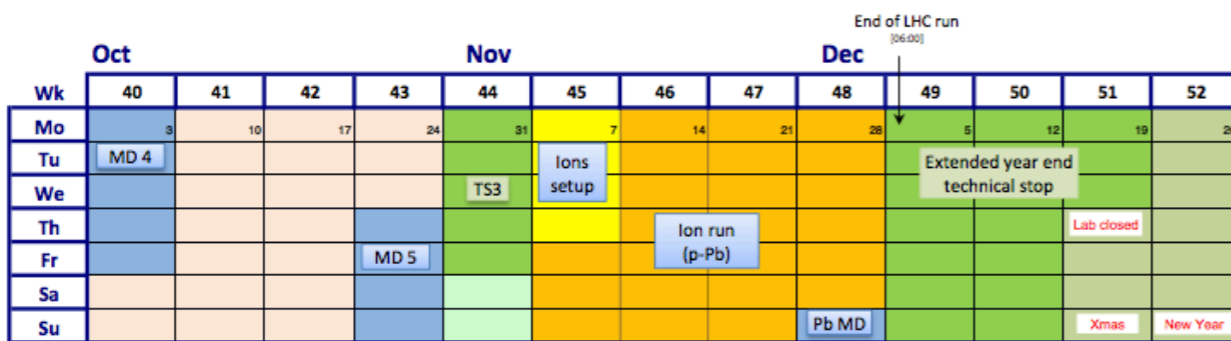
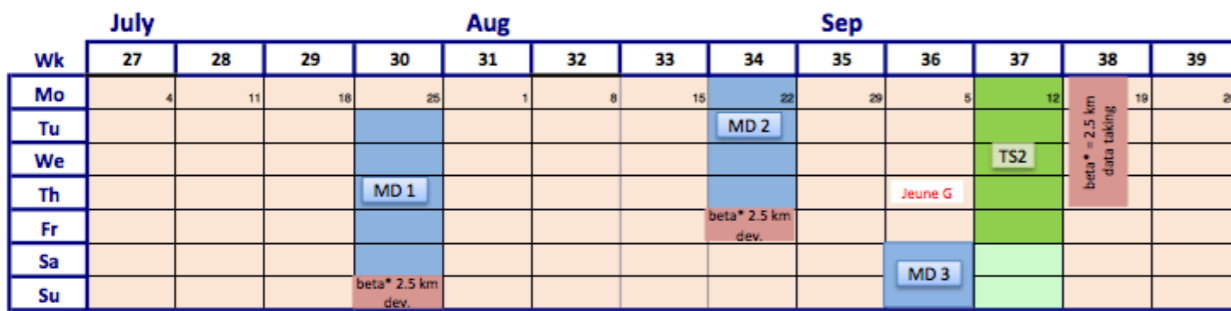
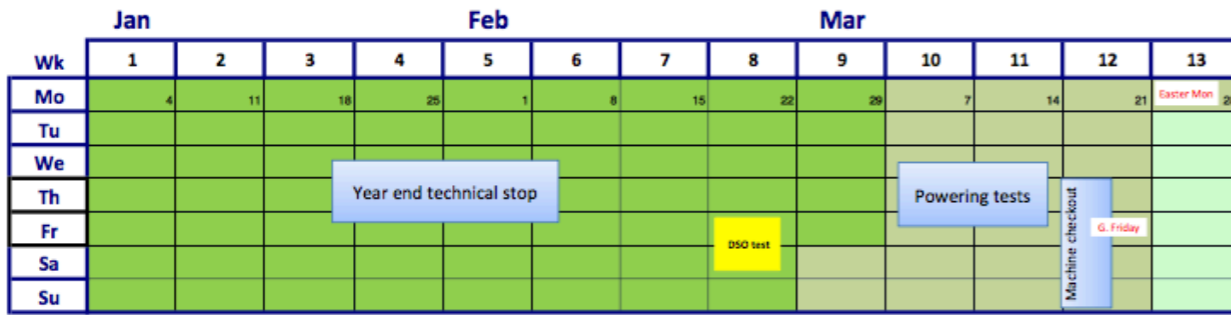


Almost half of the fills ended by operators
 We can finally decide the length of fills!

Special operation

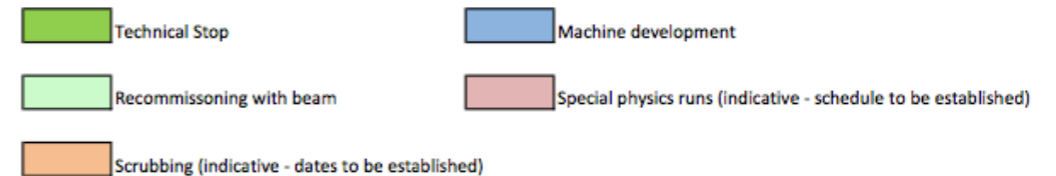
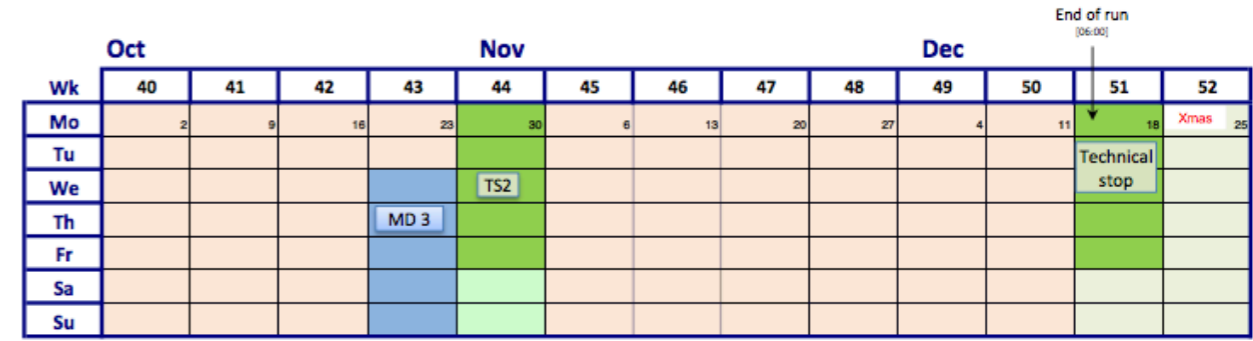
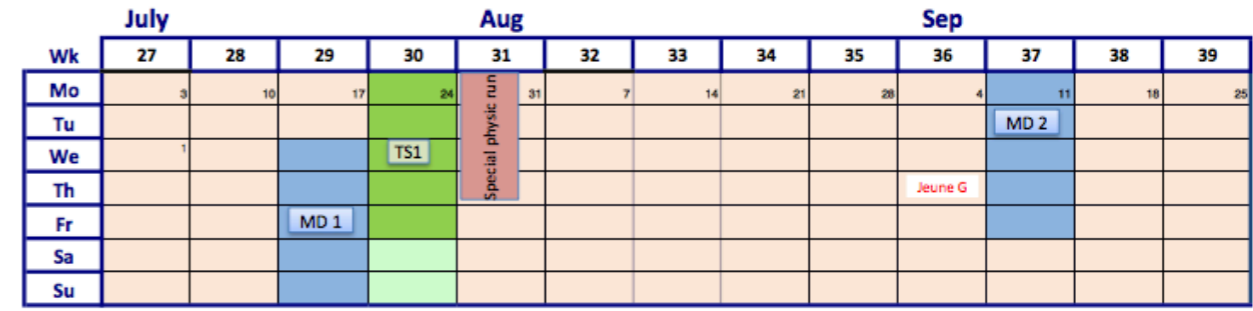
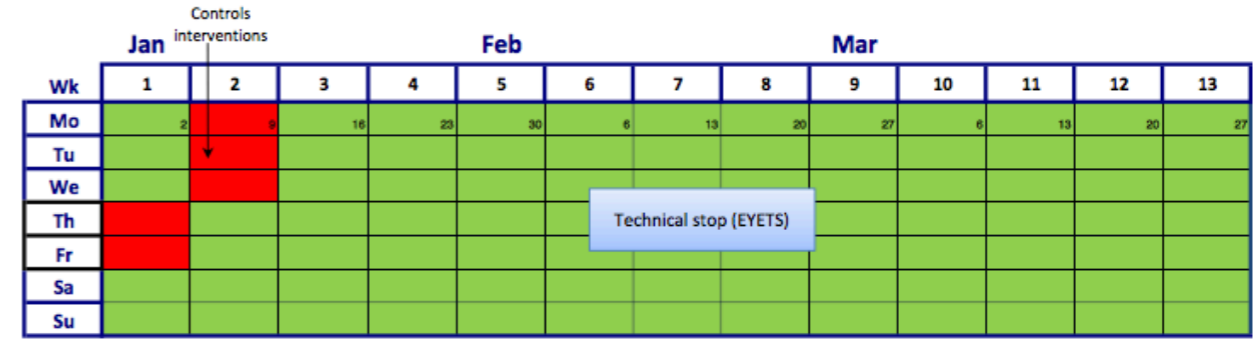
- Van der Meer scans for luminosity calibration
 - Full VdM scans on 17, 18, 27 May fro all experiments
 - Partial scans and studies here and there
- Large beta* run for forward physics (ALFA and TOTEM)
 - 19-22 September, very successful
- Proton-Lead physics
 - **Next!** Ambitious and dense program just starting
 - Commissioning of required cycles partially done
- Plus many ad hoc cycles during the 20 days of MDs
 - Partially with HL-LHC in view, partially to [test improvement already applied](#)

2016



146 days p-p physics

2017 DRAFT



152 days p-p physics

Beam parameters for 2017

	2016	2017
I bunch [E11]	1.1	1.1 - 1.25
Emittance (SB) [μm]	3.2 - 2.5	3.2 - (2.5 BCMS)
Number of bunches	2040 - 2220	2748 (2448 BCMS)
β^* (IP1&5) [cm]	40	40 (33)
Crossing angle [μrad]	185 - 140	185 (140)(170)(205)
Peak luminosity [$\text{E}34 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$]	1.4	1.4 - (1.9)
Peak pileup	45	45 - 56
Integrated luminosity [fb^{-1}]	40	40 - ?

- Many decisions to be taken at next Chamonix
 - BCMS or standard?
 - Beta* 40cm or 33cm
 - ATS optics or standard optics
- Fate of SPS dump will be revised in March
- Inner triplet maximum heat load to be re-evaluated (present limit at $1.7\text{E}34 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ peak luminosity)
- Sector 1-2 will be warmed up → UFOs and e-cloud may come back

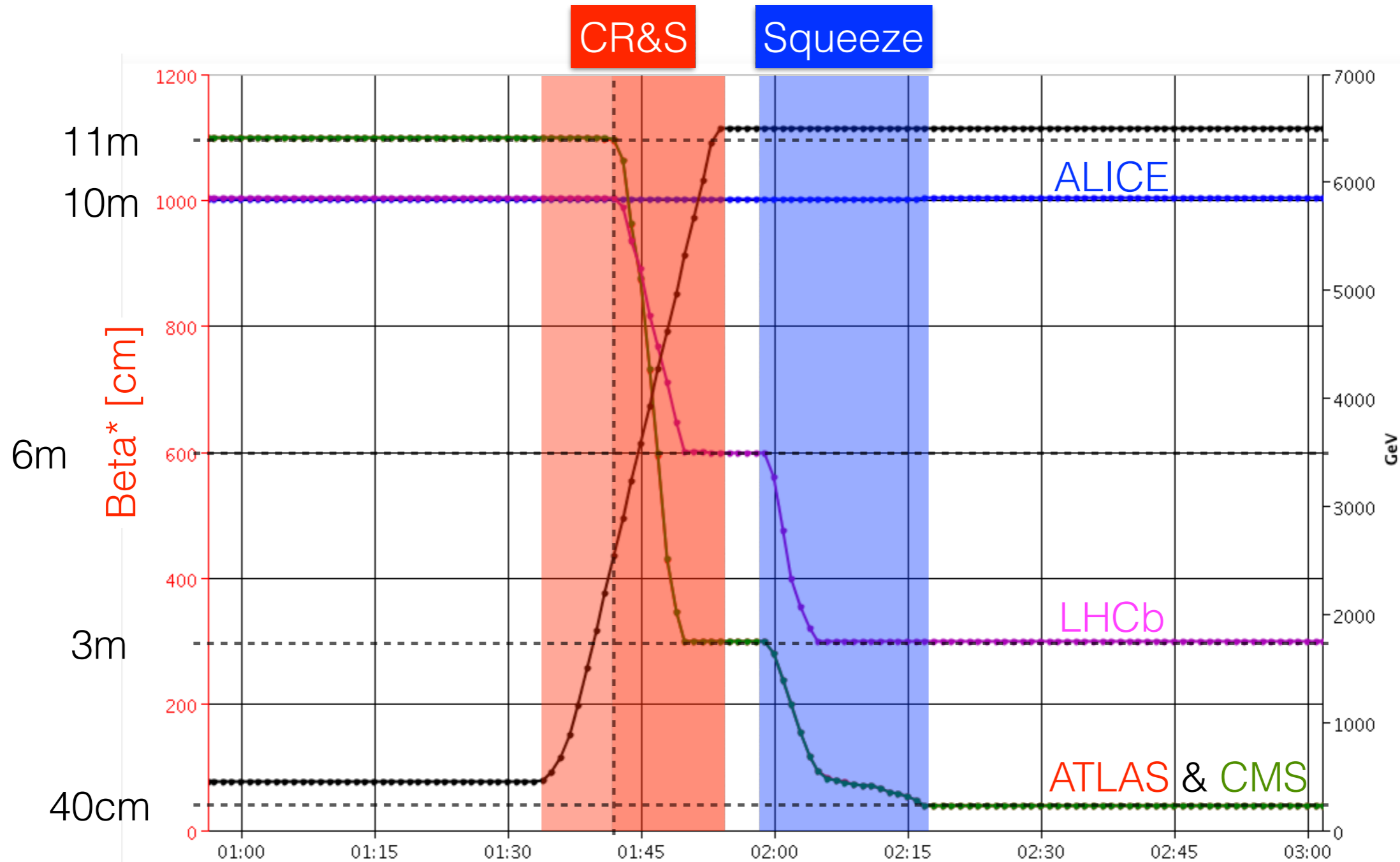
Luminosity levelling at IP1 and IP5 may be needed

Conclusions

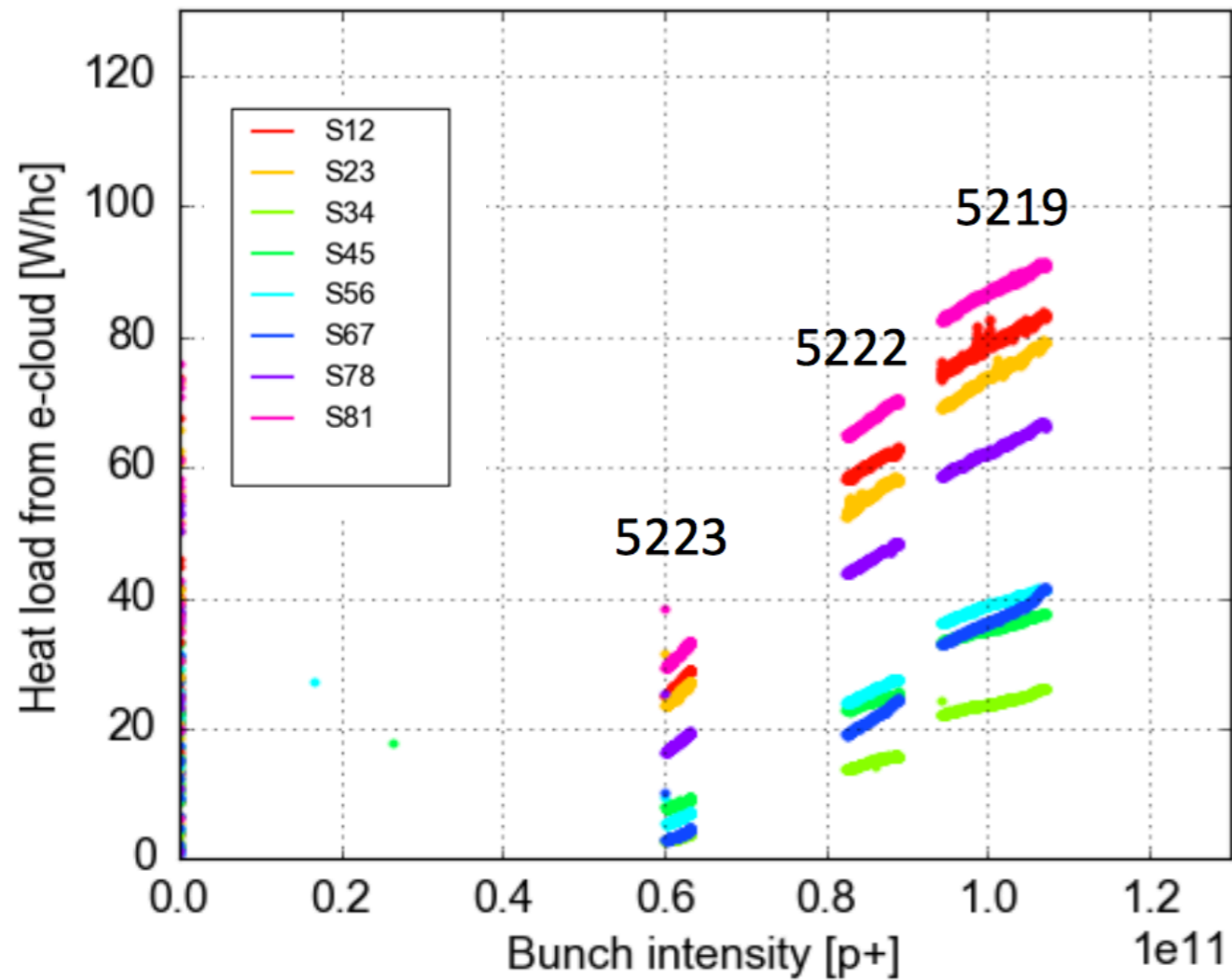
- Despite some troublesome events it has been a wonderful year at the LHC
- Excellent machine availability/reliability as never before
- UFO, e-cloud, faults under control
- Despite (thanks to?) not pushing parameters too hard due to limitations delivered more than 40fb^{-1} to ATLAS and CMS
- Big progress in understanding and controlling the beast
- Lot of work ahead for the EYETS
- Established a solid base for the coming years

The End

Combined Ramp & Squeeze



e-cloud studies

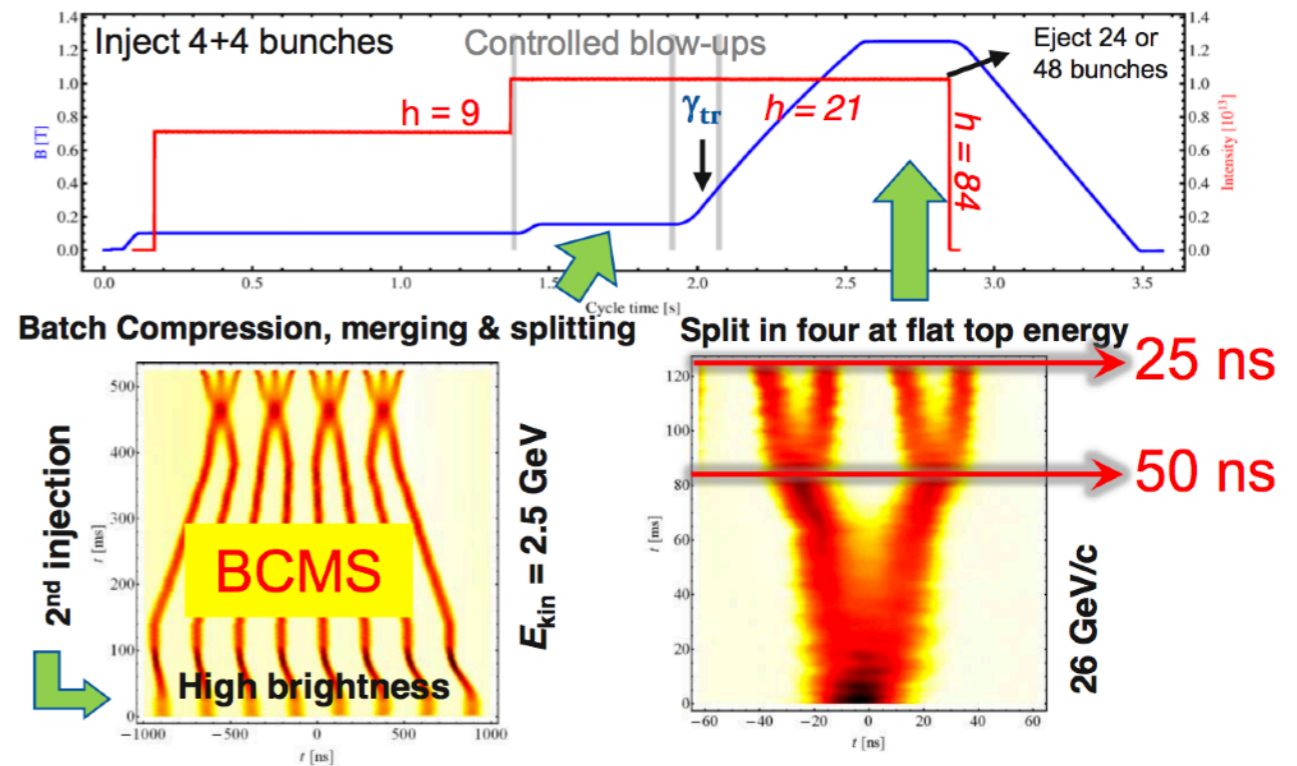
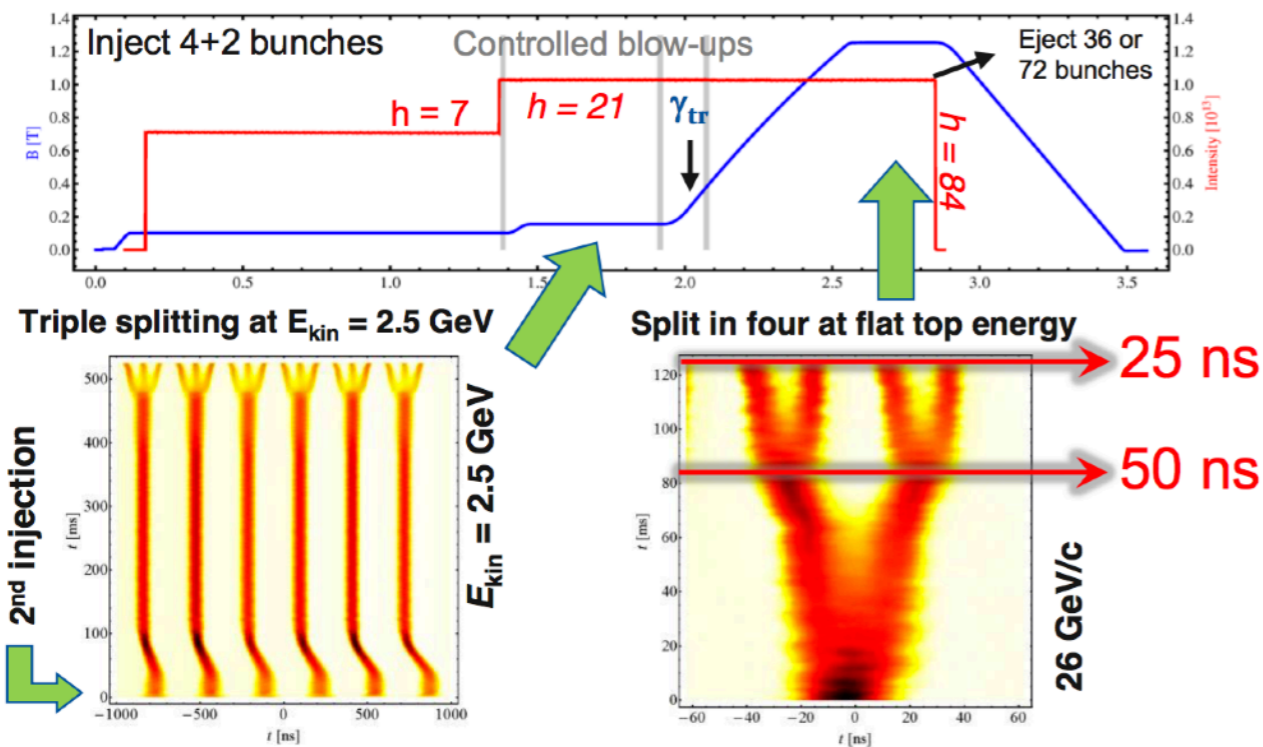


- Several fills with same conditions during the year to quantify conditioning (modest)
- 3 fills with 72bpi and increasing bunch intensity
- Large differences between sectors not understood

Standard vs BCMS beams in the PS

Standard 72b batch $\epsilon_{xy} \sim 2.5 \mu\text{m}$
 $I_{\text{bunch}} < 1.3\text{E}11$

BCMS 48b batch $\epsilon_{xy} \sim 1.5 \mu\text{m}$
 $I_{\text{bunch}} < 1.3\text{E}11$

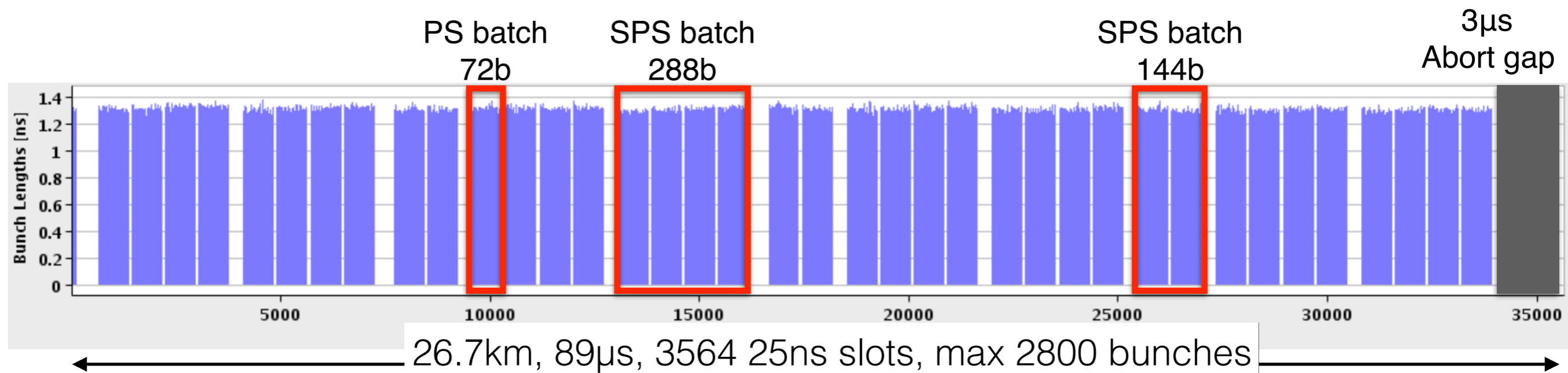


25 ns: Each PSB bunch divided by: $12 \rightarrow 6 \times 3 \times 2 \times 2 = 72$
 50 ns: Each PSB bunch divided by: $6 \rightarrow 6 \times 3 \times 2 = 36$

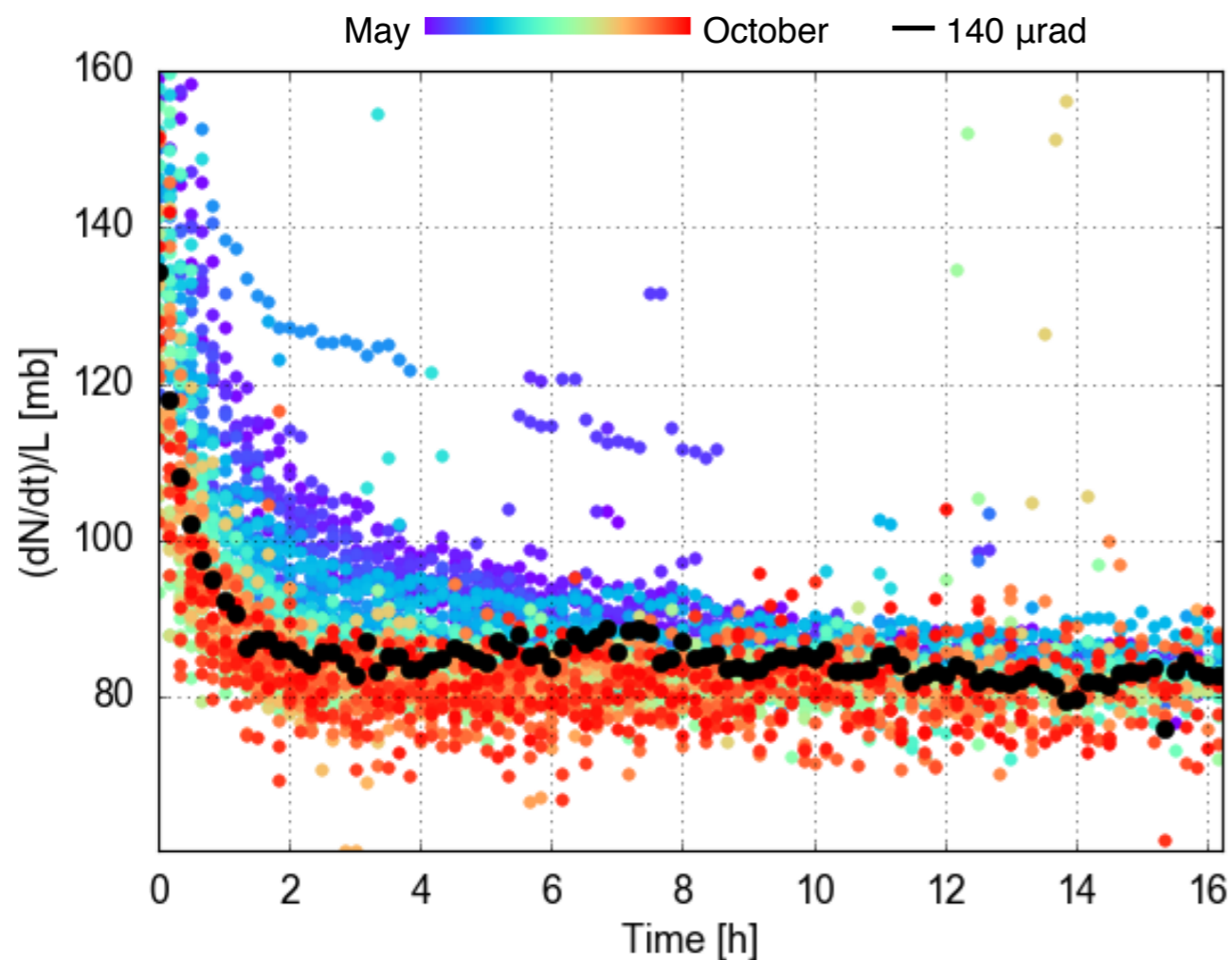
25 ns: PSB bunches 'divided' by: $6 \rightarrow 8/2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 2 = 48$
 50 ns: PSB bunches 'divided' by: $3 \rightarrow 8/2 \times 3 \times 2 = 24$

Beam structure

- The LHC injection gap is $\sim 900\text{ns}$ while the SPS injection gap is $\sim 200\text{ns}$
- The maximum number of bunches in the LHC depends on the number of batches per SPS injection
 - $72\text{b} / \text{inj.}$ \rightarrow max 2040b
 - $(2 \times 48\text{b}) / \text{inj.}$ \rightarrow max 2220b (2076b)
 - $(4 \times 72\text{b}) / \text{inj.}$ \rightarrow max 2800b



Losses in collisions



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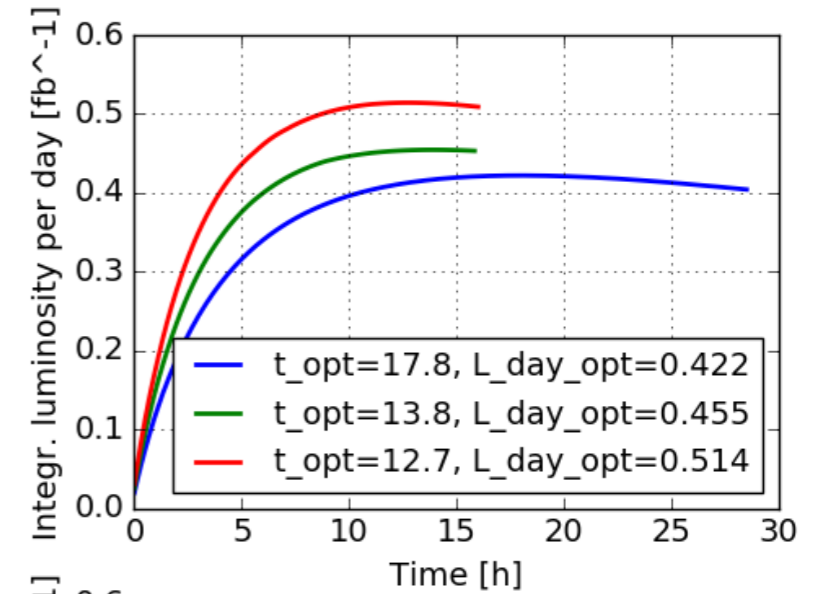
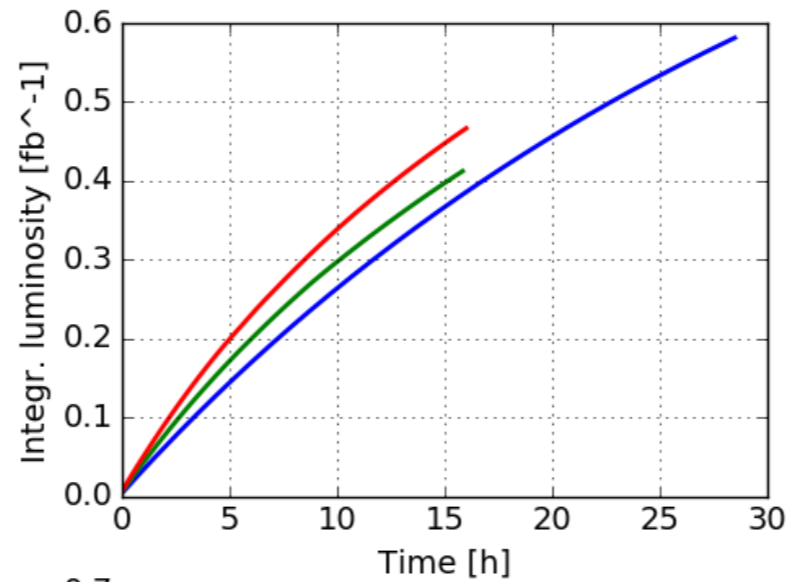
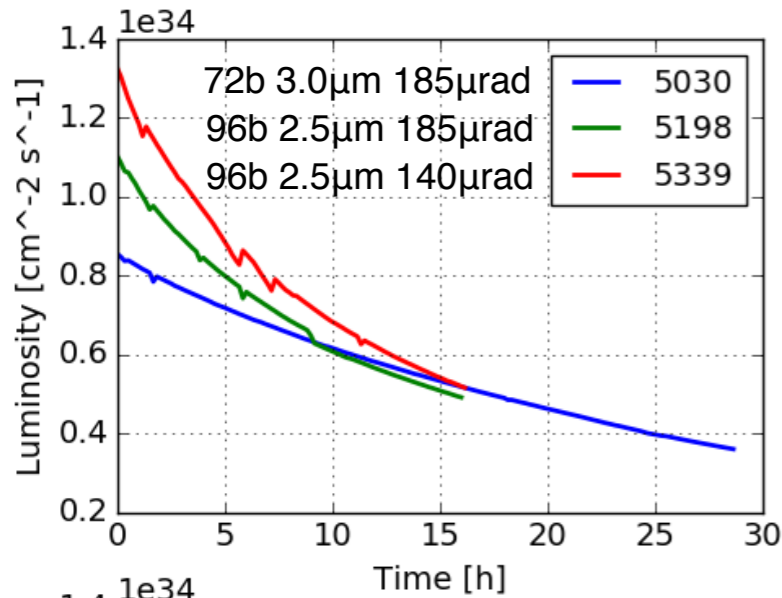
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- During the first few hours in collisions losses well in excess of the burn-off
- After ~ 3 h losses become dominated by luminosity burn-off
- Situation improved during the year (BCMS)
- Reduction of crossing angle has no effect

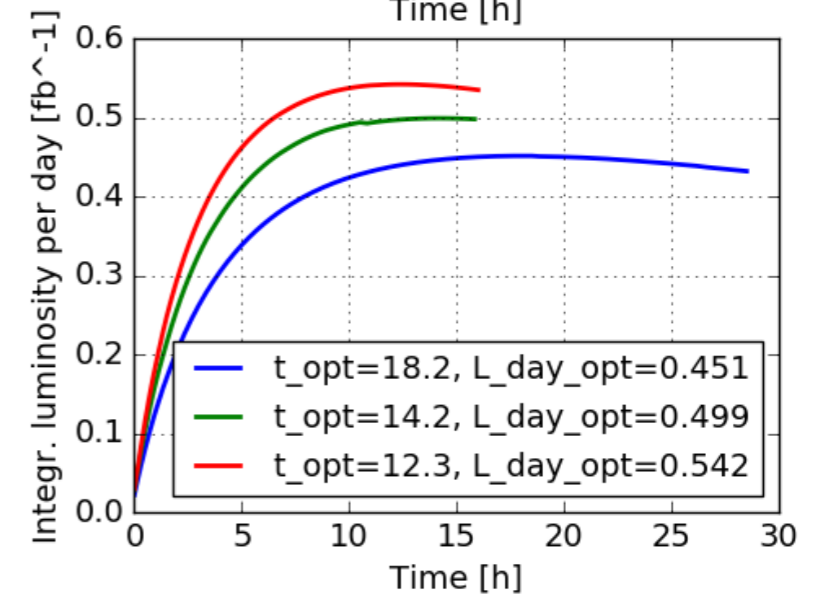
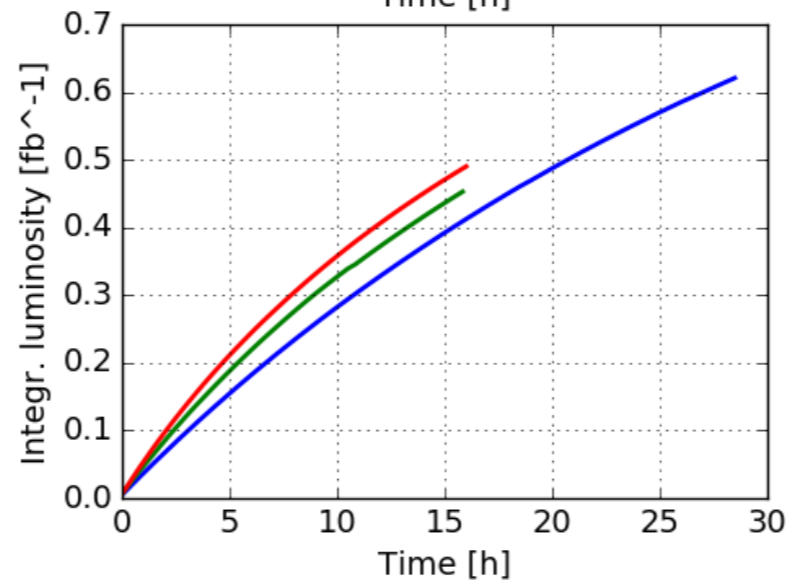
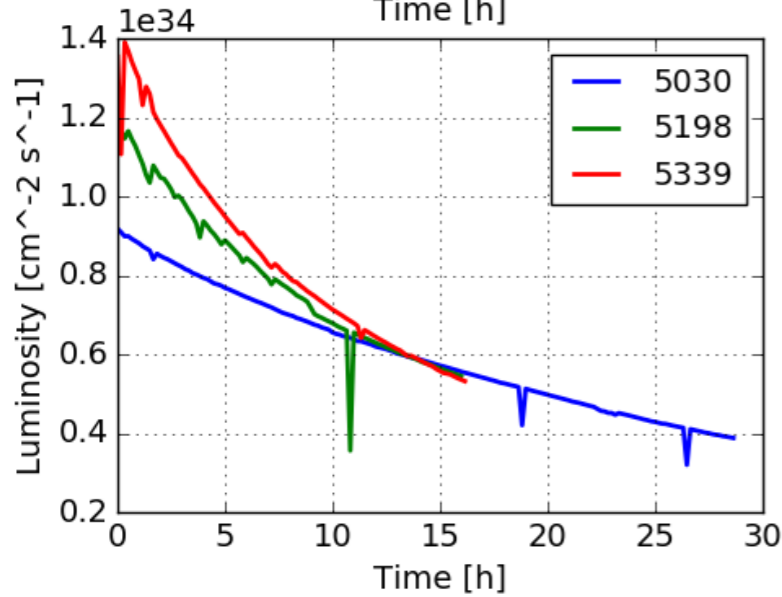
Luminosity lifetime

6h turnaround

ATLAS



CMS



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