



# Recent developments and applications of the crystal channeling at the Large Hadron Collider

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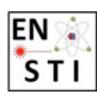
Collimation results are presented of behalf of the HL-LHC WP5 (collimation upgrade)

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- See details on our study at the Crystal Collimation Day: <a href="https://indico.cern.ch/event/752062">https://indico.cern.ch/event/752062</a>

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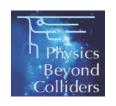




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Recent PhD thesis works at CERN (simulations and/or measurements):

V. Previtali: CERN-THESIS-2010-133 (2010, PhD)

D. Mirarchi: CERN-ACC-2015-0143 (2015, PhD)

R. Rossi: CERN-THESIS-2017-424 (2014, PhD);

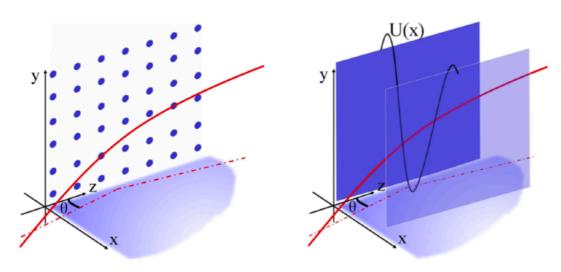
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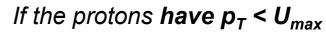


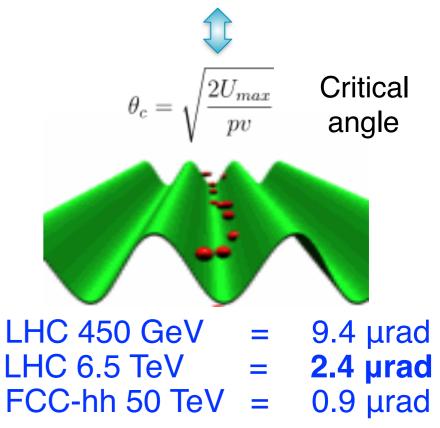
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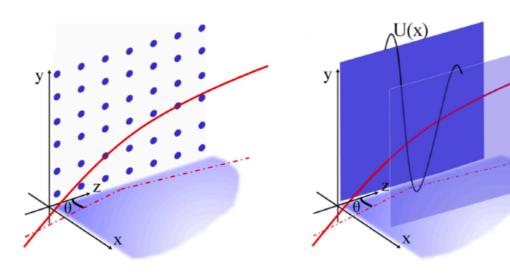




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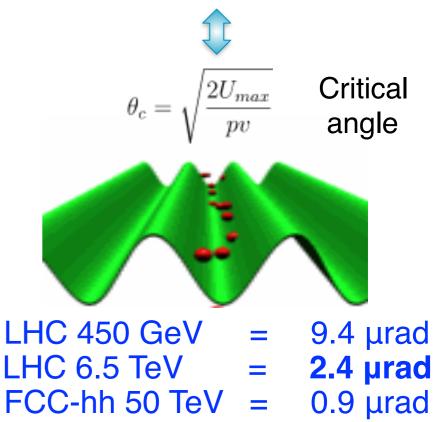


Straight crystal: hadron oscillate, "trapped" between planes

Bent crystal

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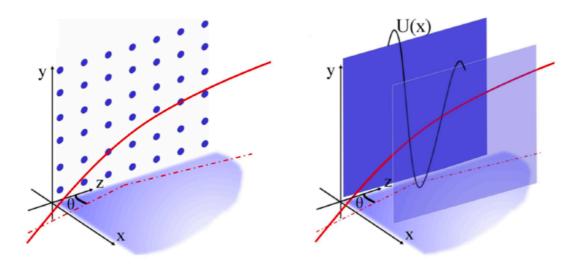
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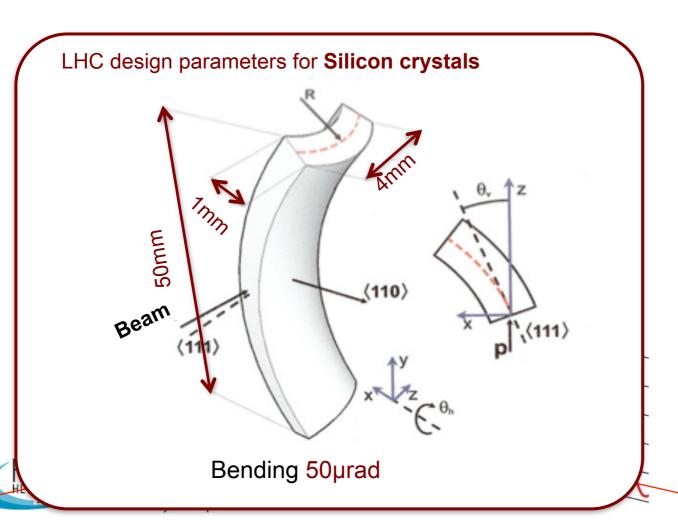
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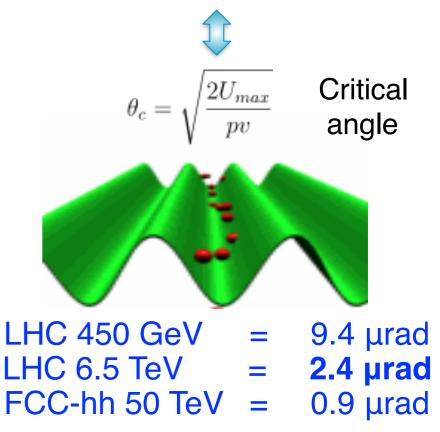


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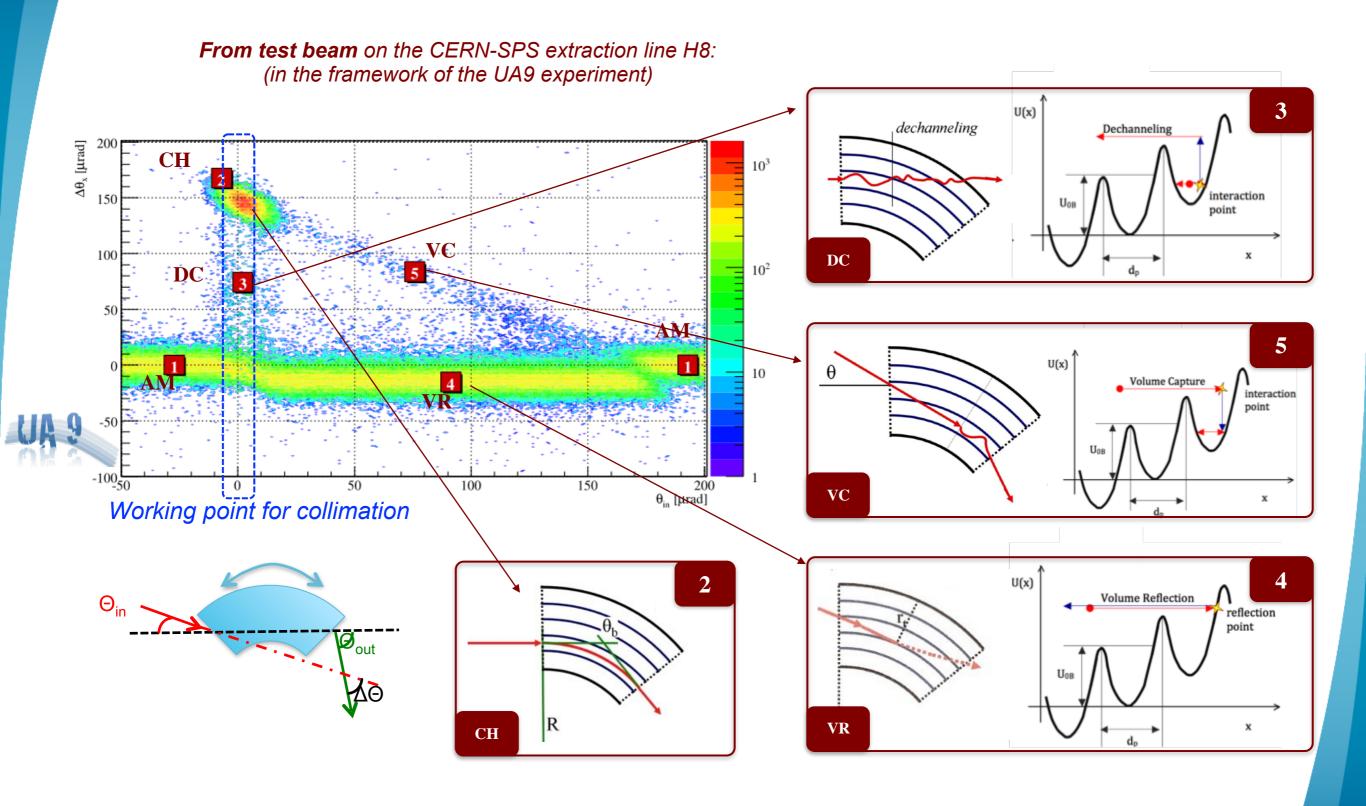


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# Coherent interactions in bent crystals







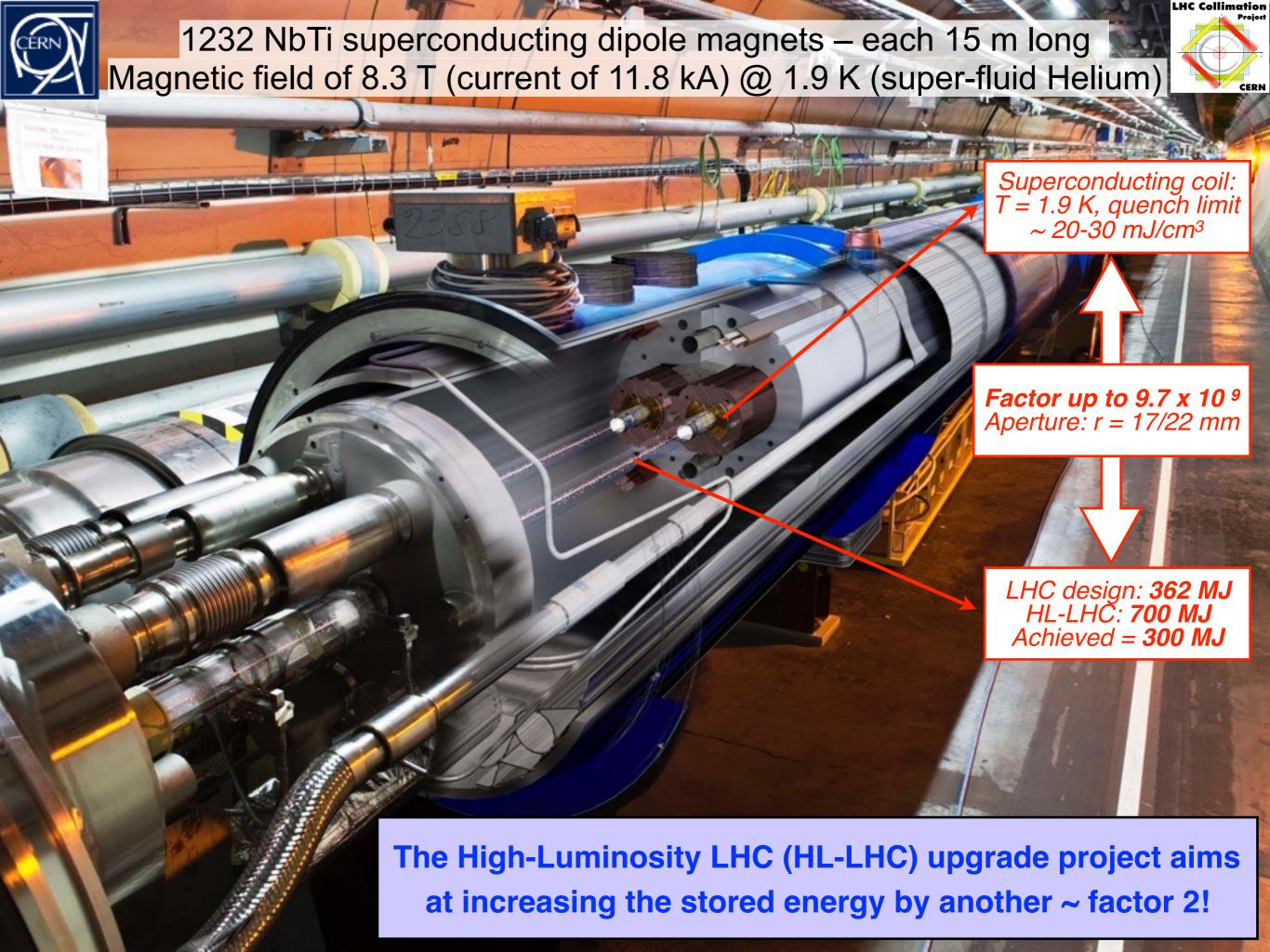
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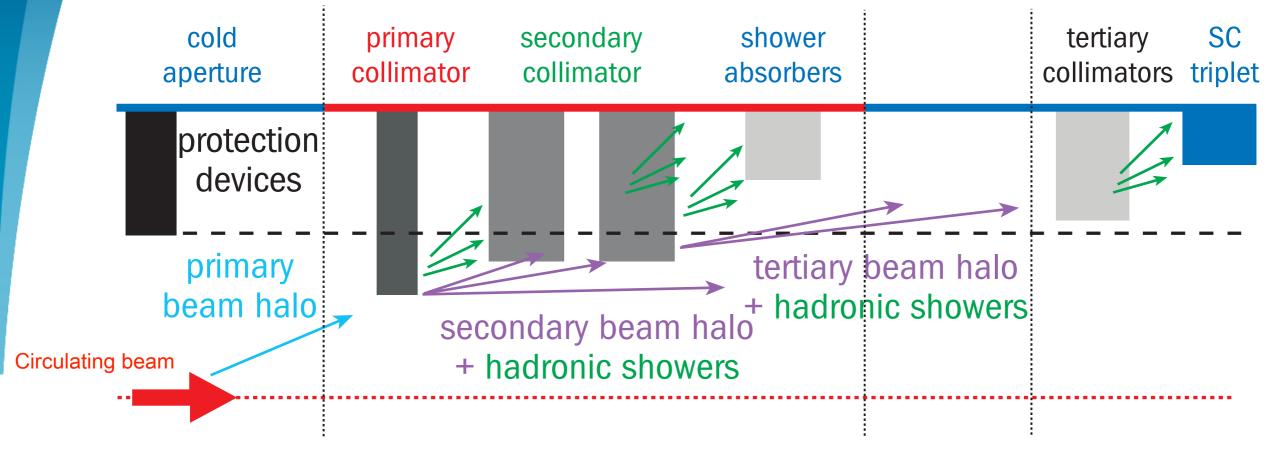
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# LHC multi-stage collimation





Three-stage cleaning in warm **cleaning insertions**: betatron (IR7) and off-momentum (IR3); local "tertiary" collimators at inner triplet.

Well-defined *collimation hierarchy* that integrates injection and dump protection collimators (as well as Roman pots). **Five stages**!

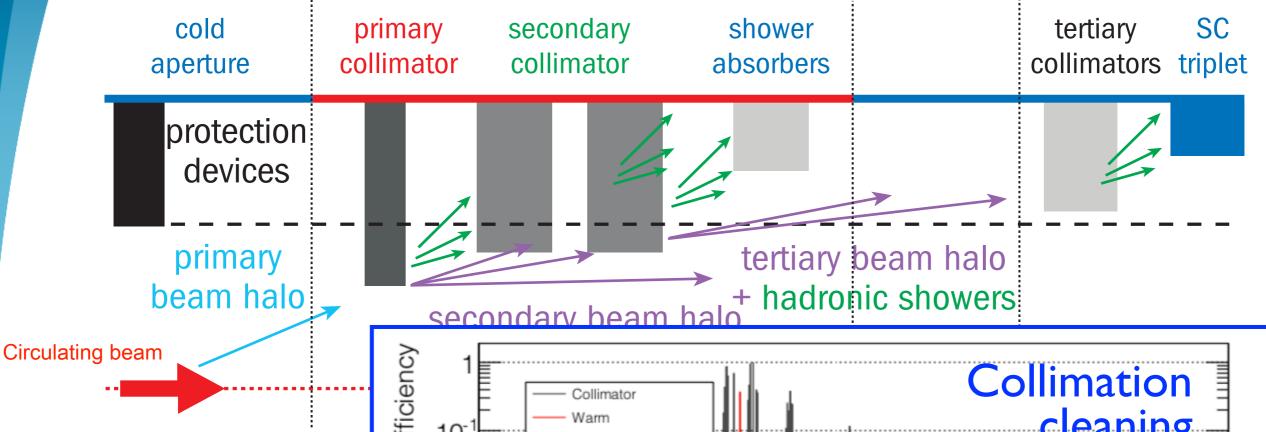
Machine aperture sets the scale for collimation hierarchy

Critical beam-based alignment to determine local orbit and beam size.

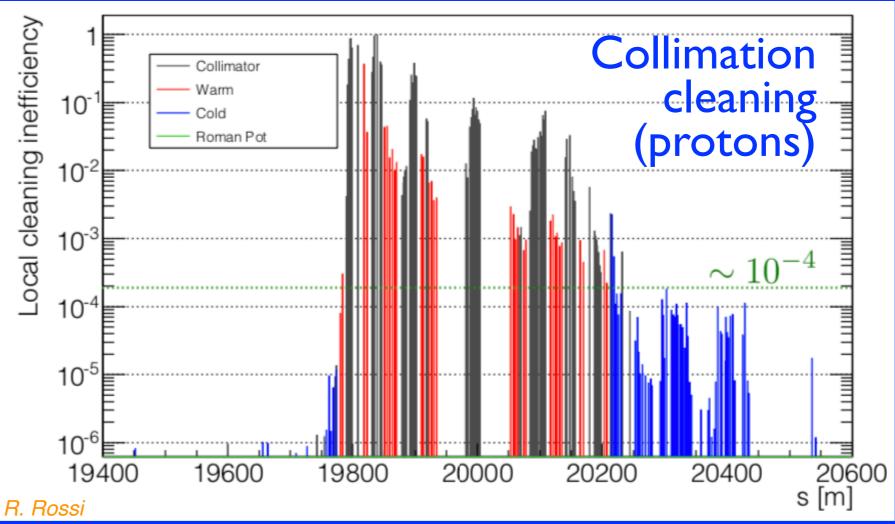


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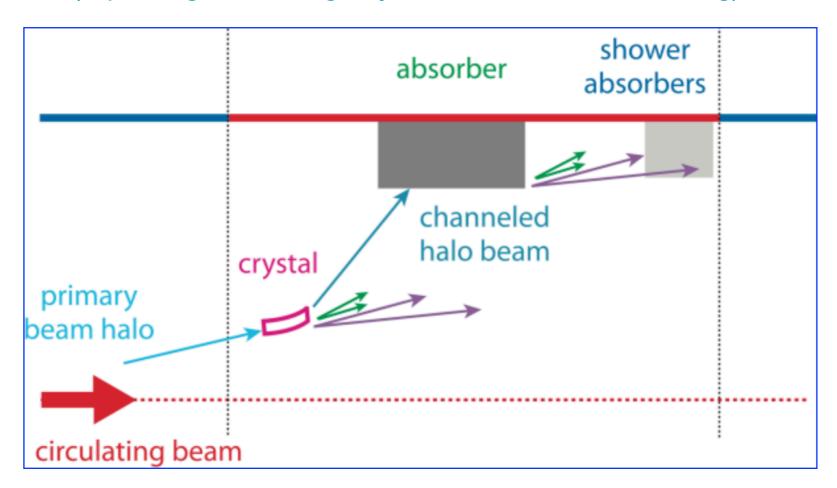
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# The crystal collimation concept

LHC Collimation
Project

(replacing the 3-stage system for betatron cleaning)



### Crystal-based betratron halo cleaning

Bent crystal replaces horizontal and vertical primary collimators

A single massive absorber (per plane) intercepts the channeled halo

Potentially needs some additional shower absorbers downstream

Promises: Improvement of cleaning, with fewer collimators, in particular

for <u>heavy ion beams</u> (suppress of fragmentation/dissociation!)

Challenges: Quality and performance of crystal assembly

Angular control within sub-micro radiants

Safe and efficient disposal of channeled halo

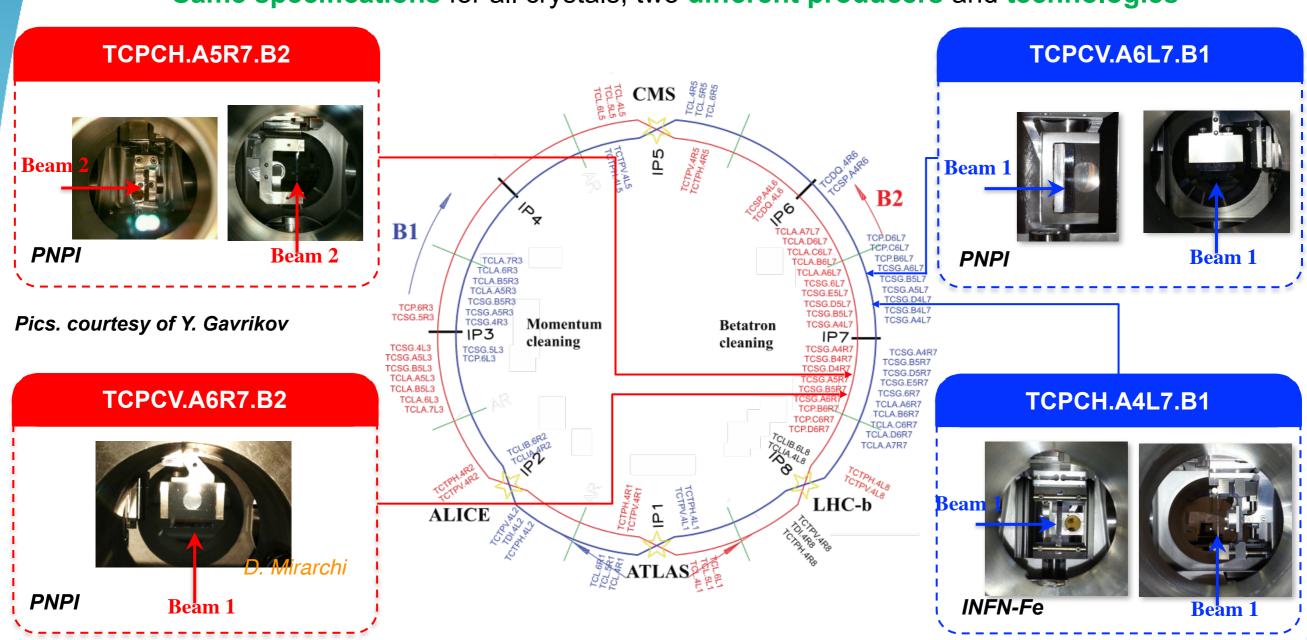


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Same specifications for all crystals, two different producers and technologies



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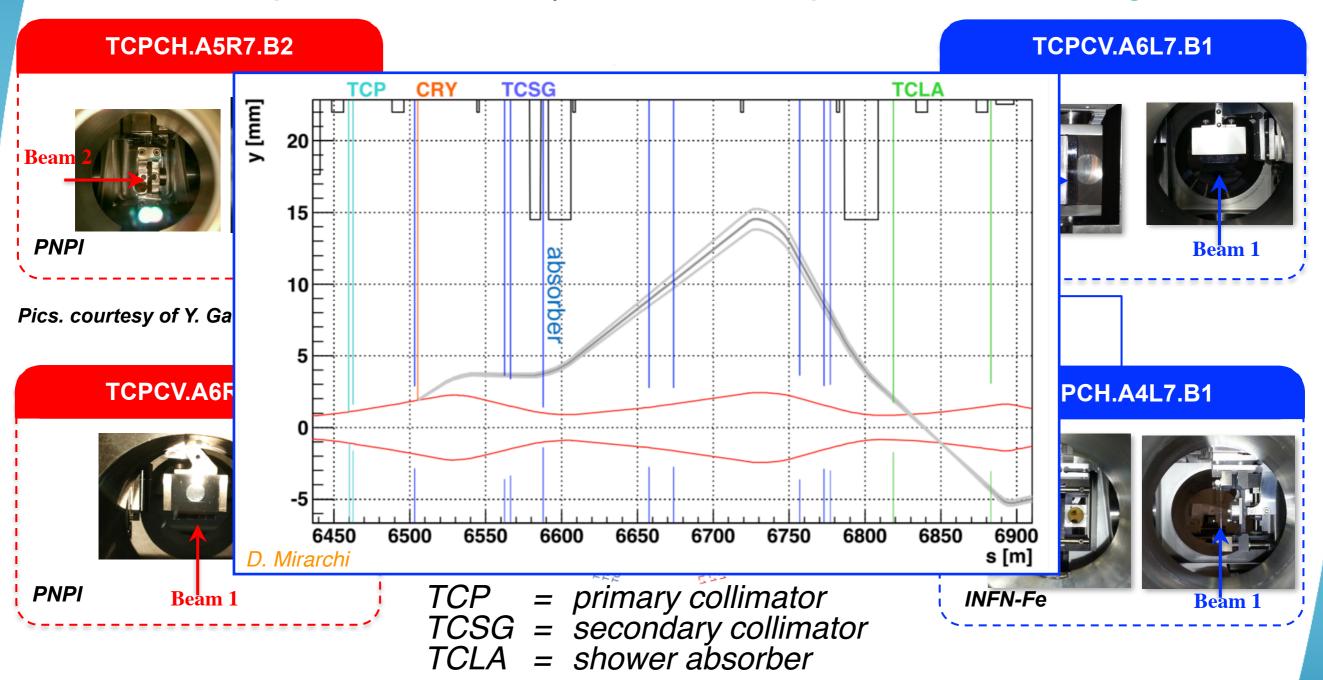


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# History of beam tests: key milestones



2015

- Installation on beam 1 only (horizontal and vertical)
- Observation p channeling at the LHC: 450 GeV and 6.5 TeV
- Observation Pb channeling at the LHC: 450 Z GeV

2016

- Continuous channeling during energy ramp
- First assessment of cleaning performance with p beams
- First observation Pb channeling at the LHC: 6.37 Z TeV

2017

- Added 2 crystals on beam 2 (horizontal and vertical)
- Channeling of Xe at 450 Z GeV 6.5 Z TeV, together with assessment of cleaning performance

2018

- Continuous channeling during squeeze and collision
- First operational use in a physics run
- Operational tests with 6.37 Z TeV Pb beams with high intensity

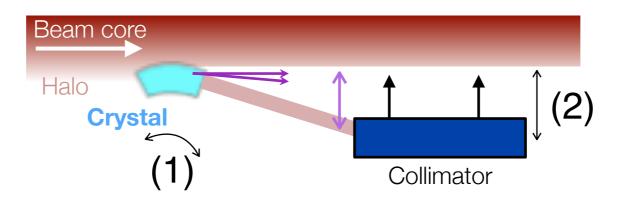


Total "Machine Development" (MD) time: 58h with protons, 34h with ions

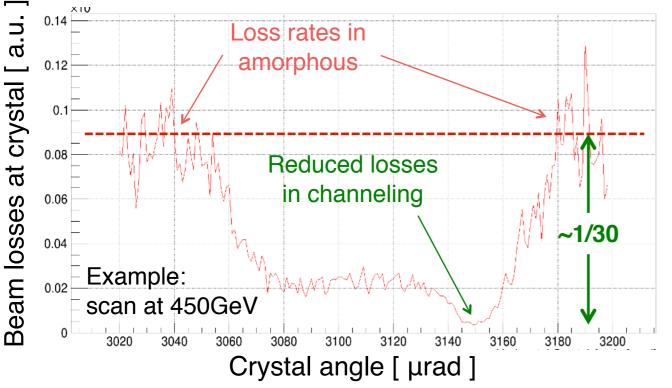
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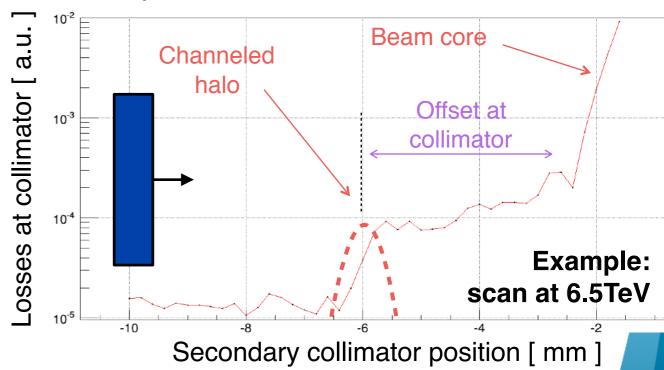
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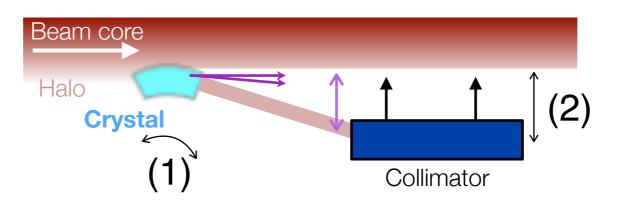




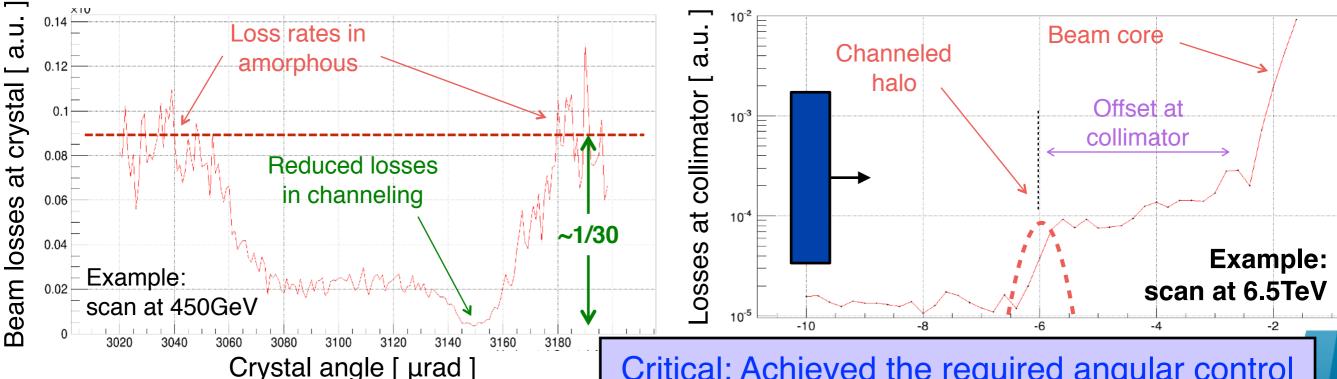
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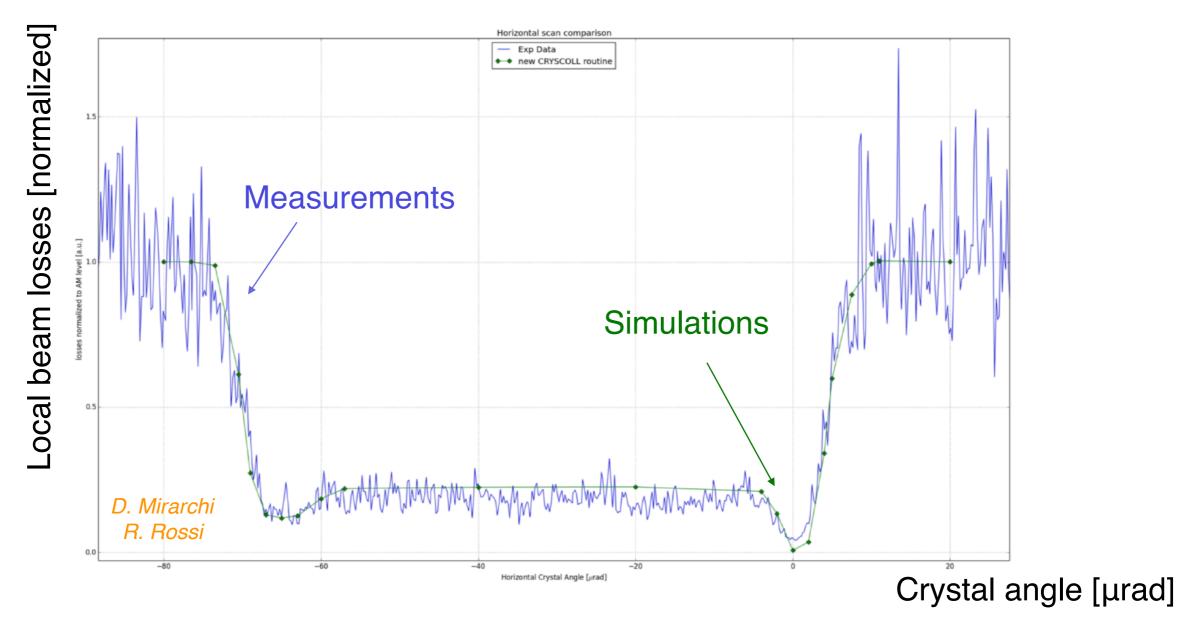




Critical: Achieved the required angular control of better than ~1 µrad (A. Masi *et al.*)

### Measurements and simulations, 6.5 TeV





Comparison: beam losses downstream of crystal in an angular scan vs simulated nuclear interactions in the crystal.

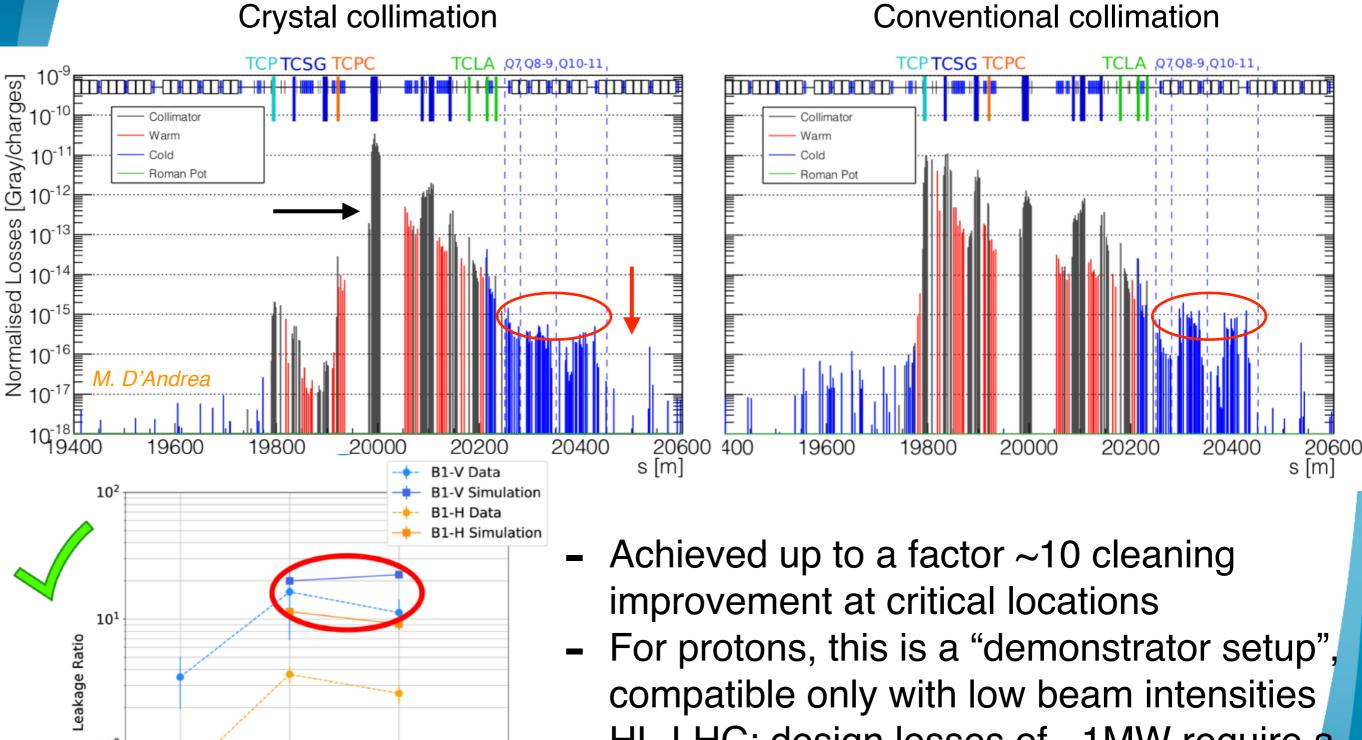
Experimental input from measurements: crystal bending angle (65µrad).

See CERN Yellow Book CERN-2018-011-CP for details on simulation tools.



# Collimation cleaning for proton beams





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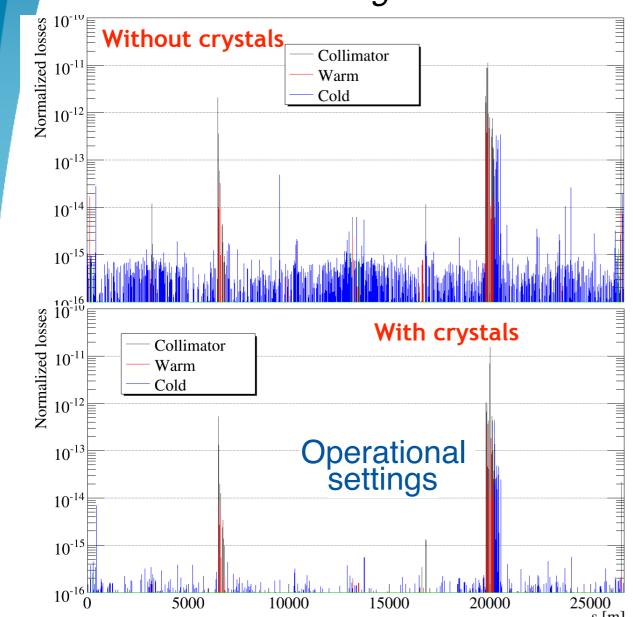
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- HL-LHC: design losses of ~1MW require a dedicated beam absorber!
  - Not considered for cleaning upgrade!

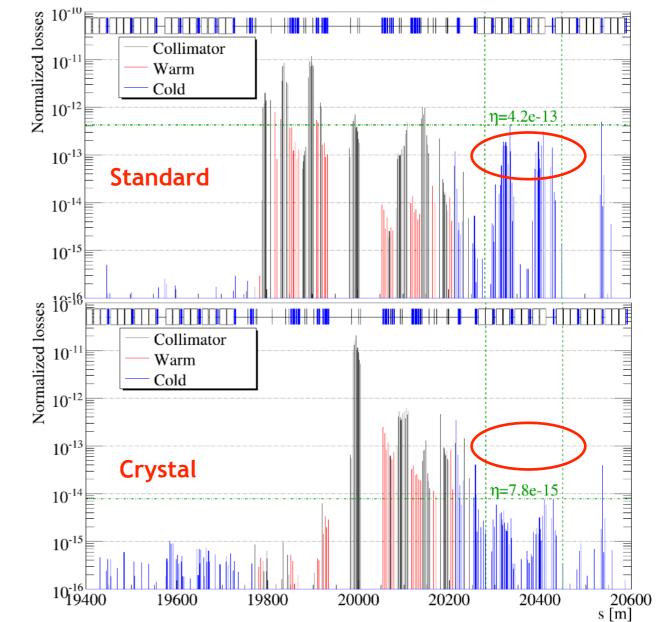
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### Full ring



### Betatron cleaning region

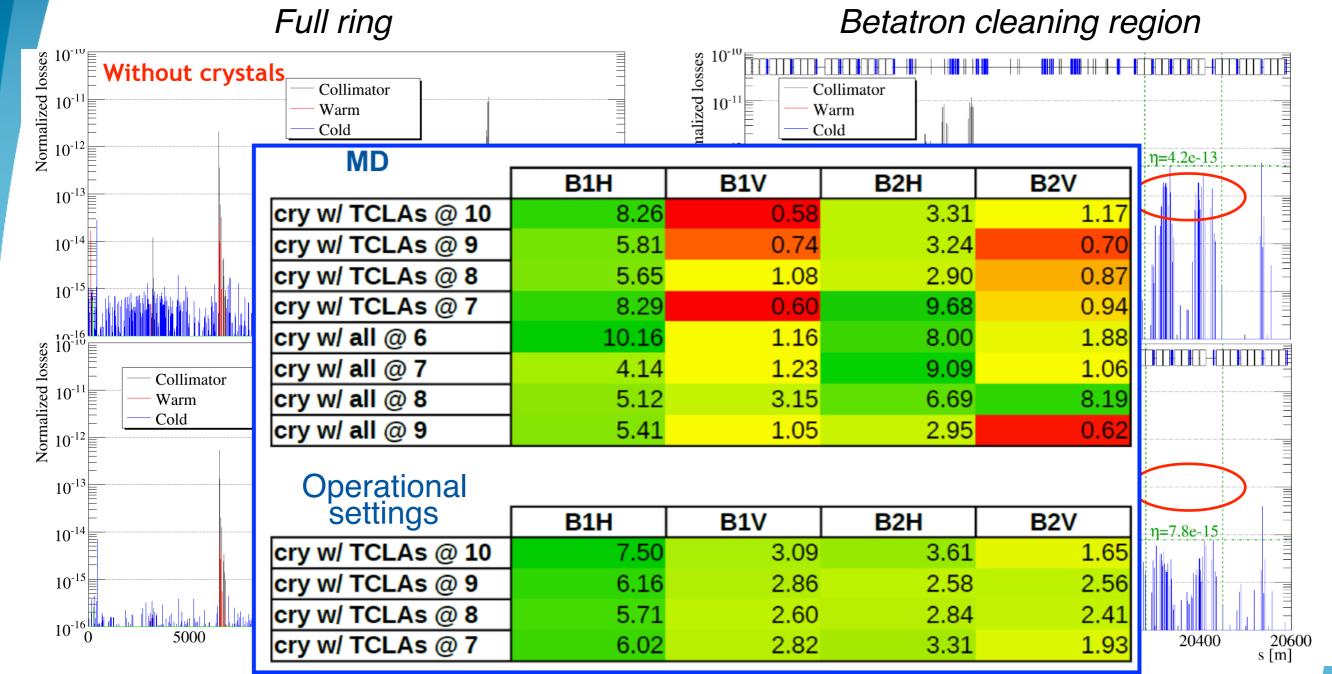


- Overall reduction of losses around the ring.
- Tested with high ions intensities (~600 bunches)!
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(measurements available for a broad variety of settings)

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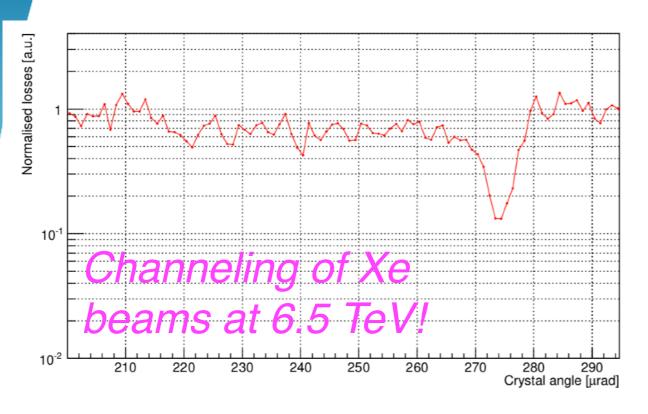


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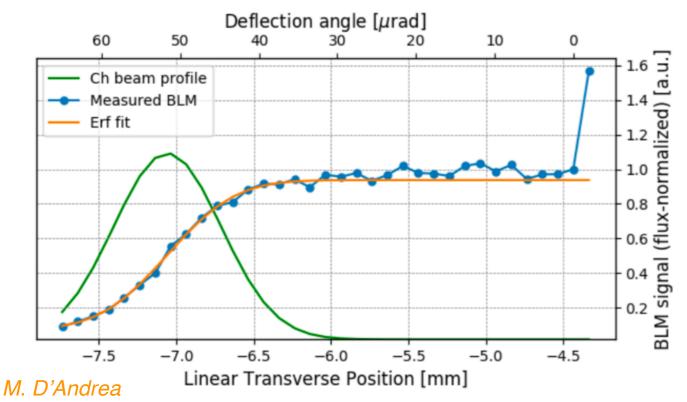
### Other measurements of channeling

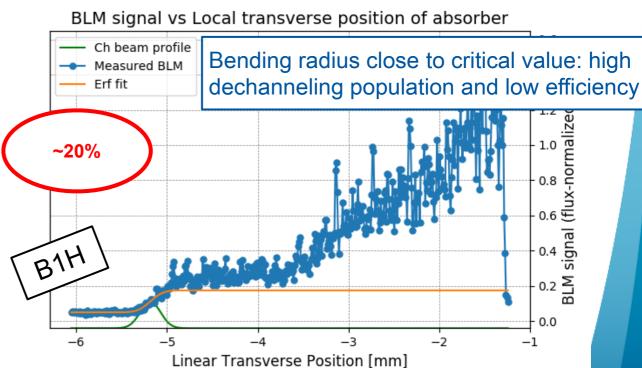




- Very extensive set of measurements
- Energies up to 6.5 TeV
- Proton, lead and xenon beams
- Continuous channeling during dynamics machine phases (energy ramp, optics changes)
- Channeling of secondary beam halos

#### BLM signal vs Local transverse position of absorber







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# 2018 special run "high-β\*" at 450 GeV



### Challenges for total p-p cross section measurements

- Short run of only a few days, at injection energy ( $s^{1/2} = 900 \text{ GeV}$ )
- New optics with large colliding beam sized in ATLAS/CMS
- Roman pots of ATLAS-ALFA and TOTEM as close as possible to the beam
- High background rates observed in beam tests, putting in question the feasibility of this run in 2018.

Note: low beam intensities planned for this run!

### Two collimation schemes proposed:

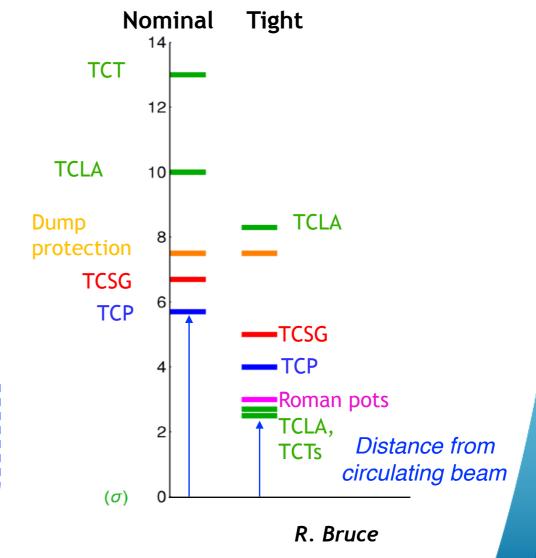
- 1. "Tight settings" scheme with tungsten collimators protecting the pots
- 2. Crystal collimation at tight settings Both requiring complex operational procedures.

Primary stage at 2.5 σ

Secondary stage at 2.7 σ

Roman Pots at 3 σ

Tightest collimation ever in the LHC!

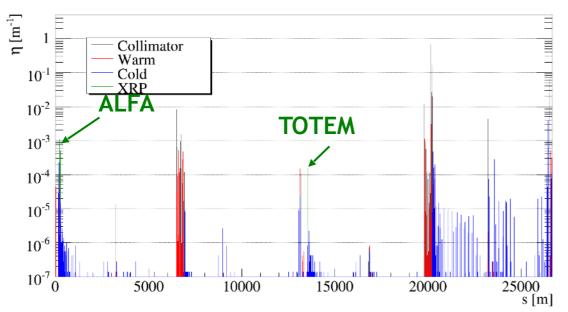




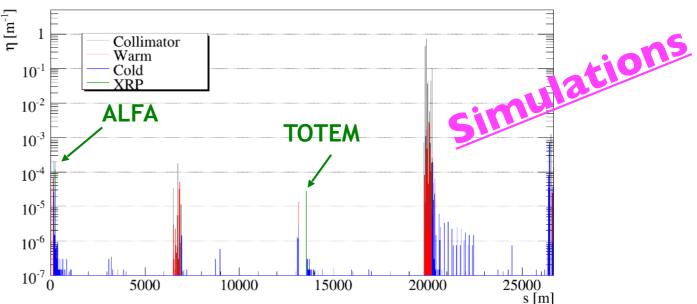
# Reduced background with crystals

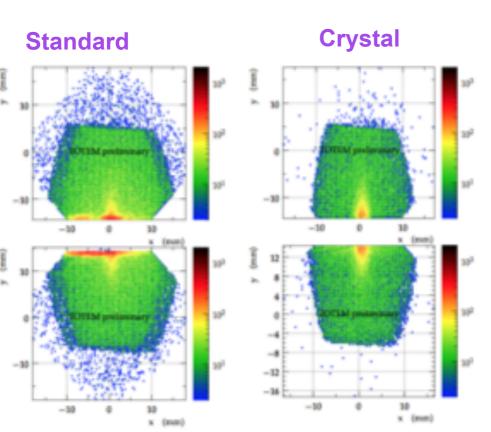






#### Crystal collimation





### With crystal collimation:

- Significant background suppression for TOTEM!
   Much simplified analysis, lower data rejection.
- ATLAS-ALFA: <u>problematic</u> distributions at some pots
   Understood later in simulations how to fix this,
   but not in time for the short data taking period.
- Both experiments acknowledged a significant bckg reduction as a function of time, with no need for frequent re-shaping of beam halos!

Courtesy of TOTEM (preliminary)

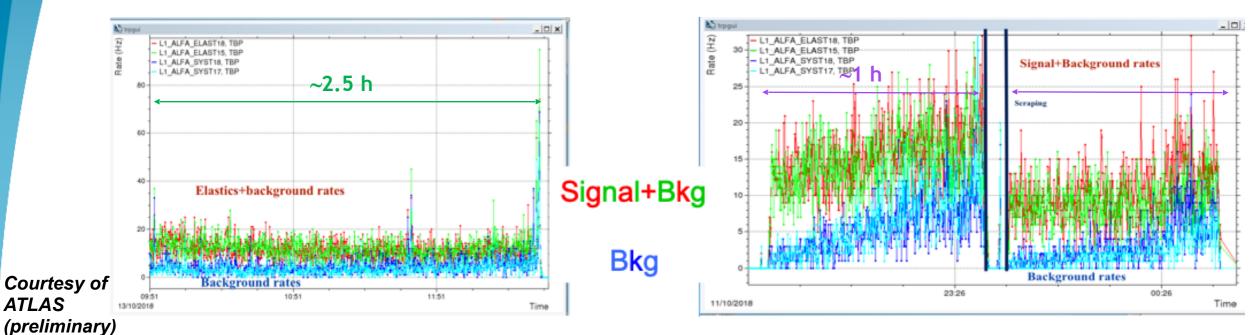


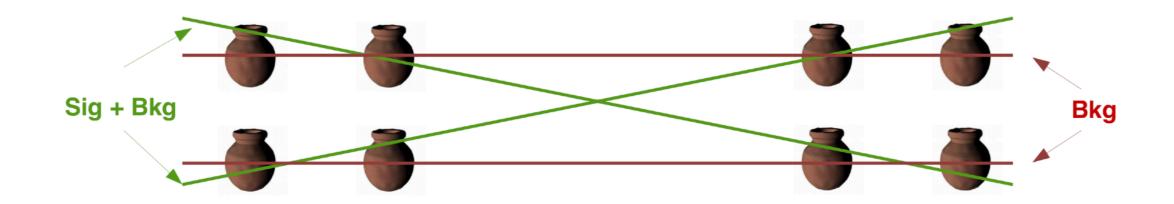
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#### **Standard collimation**





Scheme by C. Schwicz

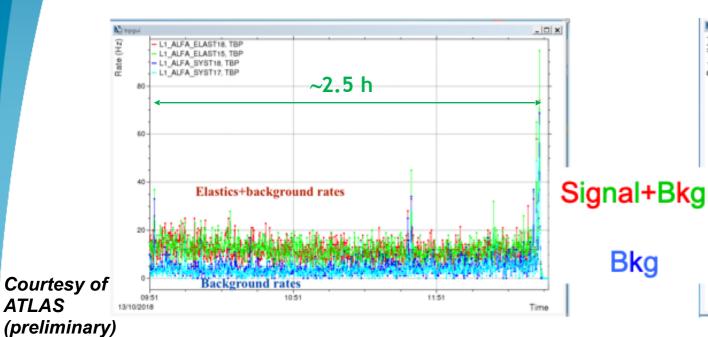


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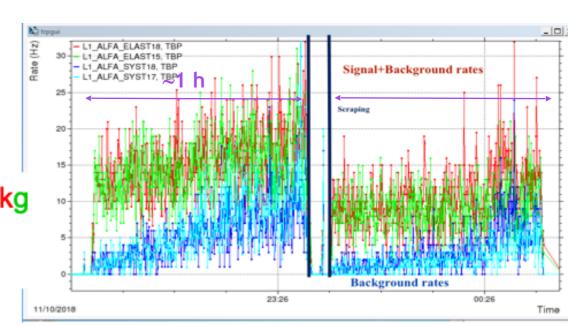
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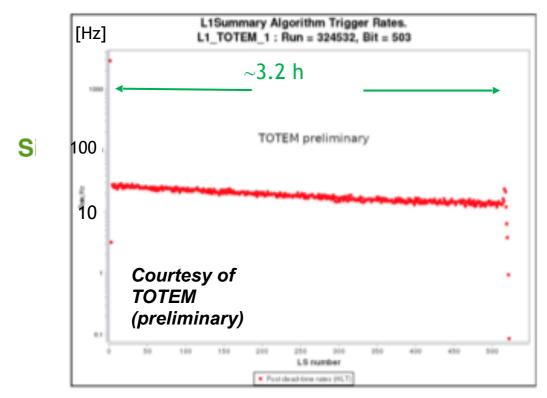
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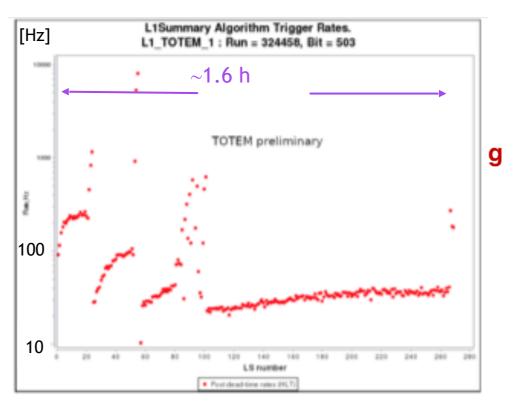
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#### Conventional collimation



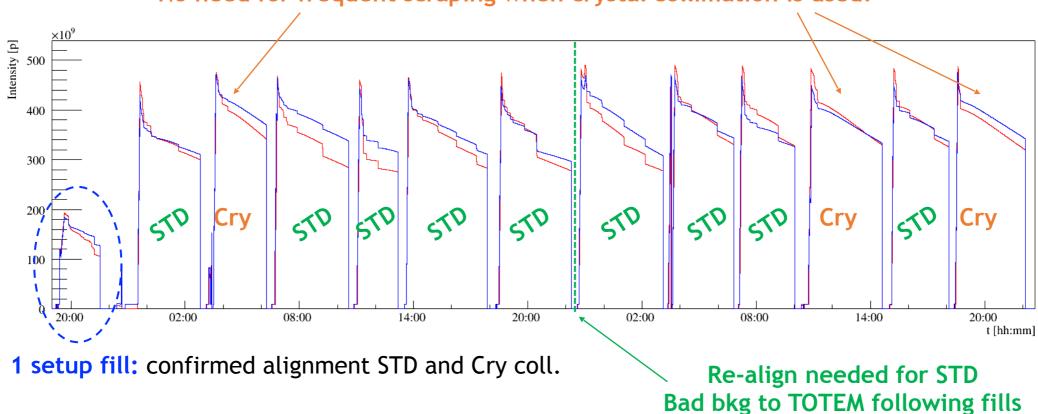


**ATLAS** 

# Overall view of the high-β\* run



No need for frequent scraping when crystal collimation is used!



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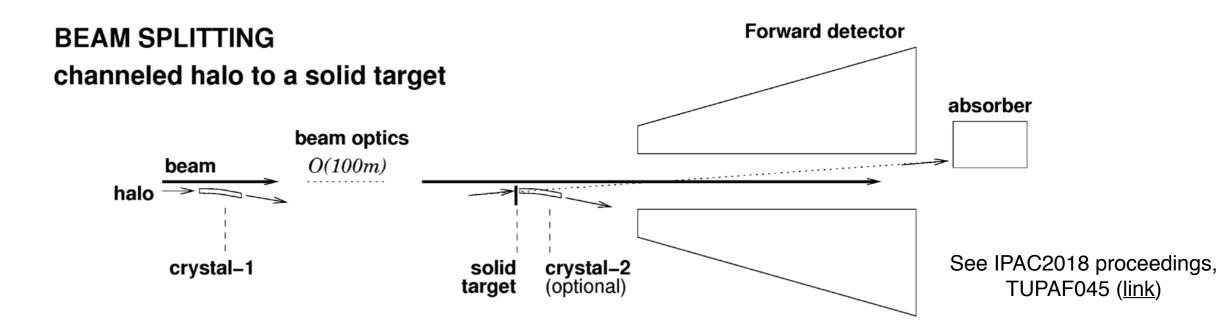


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# Scheme for halo splitting and fixed targets

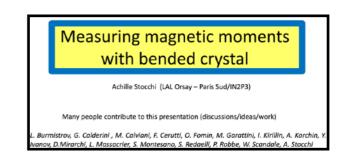




#### Basic idea:

- A crystal inserted in the transverse collimation hierarchy can deflect part of the beam (secondary or tertiary) halos, otherwise disposed of by the collimation system
- Further downstream, this "split halo" impinges onto an in-beam-vacuum fixed target
- Additional absorbers downstream needed to intercept the collision products
- "Double-crystal setup": a second crystal is attached to the target to study the magnetic and electric dipole moment precession of short lived barions (Lambda\_c)

Studies are part of the PBC study at CERN: see PBC-FT ("LHC fixed target") working group.



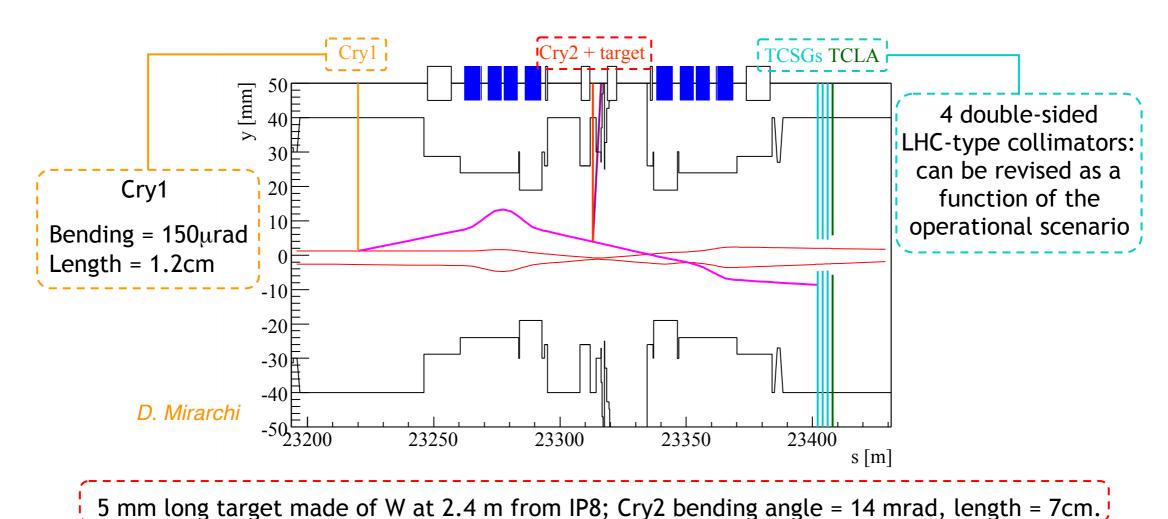




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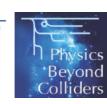
### Layouts in LHC IP8 (LHCb)





- Being studied with the UA9 collaboration and the SELDOM team. Under evaluation by LHCb (not yet approved).
- The PBC-FT team is actively working on a final assessment of <u>achievable protons on target</u> for measurements of MDM and EDM. WG summary document out this summer.
- Some members of ALICE Collaboration are studying a similar layout, with a conventional target and no second crystal (see ESPP proposal: <a href="https://cds.cern.ch/record/2671944">https://cds.cern.ch/record/2671944</a>)
   Interested also in using this concept with heavy ion beams,
- Studying also alternative layouts in the LHC ring, see for example IR3 (arXiv:1906.08551).





### Conclusions



 Reviewed the main results obtained with bent crystals at the high-energy frontier at the LHC.

A 4-crystal scheme was available during the LHC Run II at <u>6.5 TeV</u>. Extensive beam tests were done: proton beams, Pb ion beams, Xe ion beams. Driven by the study of upgraded beam halo collimation.

Very promising results obtained for beam halo cleaning.

Observation of channeling at unprecedented beam energies, showing that we master the technology to control angles with the required accuracy. Promising performance with heavy ion beams, being considered for the upgrade!

 In 2018, we had a first operational use of crystal collimation in a physics run, to reduce backgrounds for the p-p cross section

High- $\beta^*$  run in 2018 profited from the availability of crystals for low backgrounds.

 Simulations combining crystal interactions, optics, aperture and scattering in other collimators are well advanced (for protons).

Various developments ongoing for ions.

Promising results obtained motivated new ideas!

New idea of halo splitting being considered for LHC fixed-target implementations.