

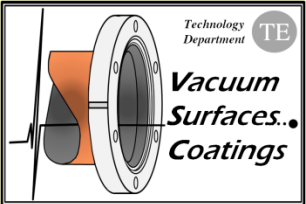


**Complementary solutions to improve the beam vacuum protection and to protect sensitive equipments (RF, kickers, experiments,...)**



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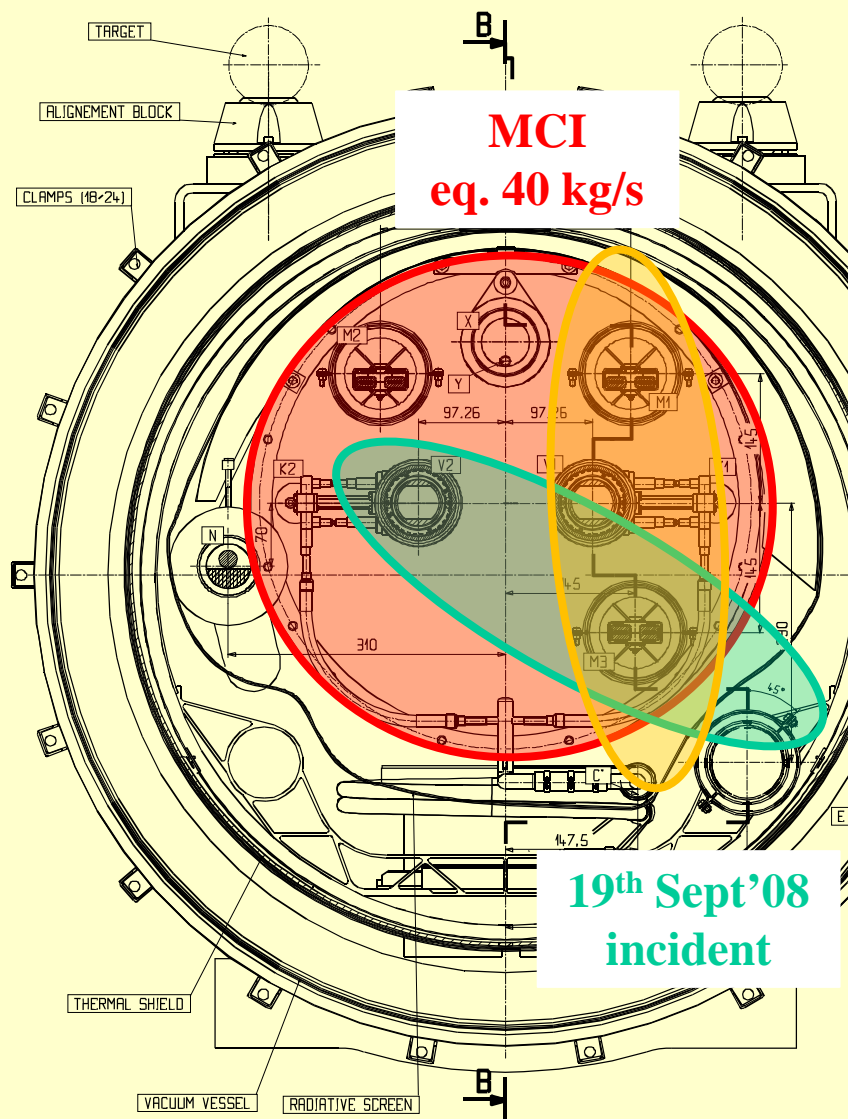
# Main Topics



- **Review of the beam vacuum failure modes**
- **Pending issues**
- **Mitigation solutions**
- **Closing remarks**

# Introduction

## MCI definition



**19<sup>th</sup> Sept'08  
 incident**

Courtesy  
 L. Tavian

# Review of the beam vacuum failure modes

## Direct damage to Beam Vacuum

**Accidental beam loss making a hole on the beam pipe**

**Short on the cryomagnet coil or lira creating a hole in the cold bore**

☞ **Expected consequences depend on the type of beam vacuum**

- Experimental beam vacuum (min. 6 months for repair)
  - Opening of the Detectors, beam pipe exchange, detector repair...
- Beam vacuum at cryogenic temperature e.g. arcs, triplets and SAMs (min. 12 weeks for repair)
  - Warm-up, magnet exchange, in situ cleaning, cool down...
- Beam vacuum operated at ambient temperature (min. 3 weeks for repair)
  - Mechanical intervention, bake out and NEG activation

☞ **Impact onto the beam vacuum depends on the type of damages (ranking)**

- Contamination by dust, MLI or soot
  - Dust and MLI could be cleaned in-situ, soot implies the removal of contaminated components
- Internal pressurization of the beam vacuum
  - Could lead to buckling of the bellows and require the exchange of cryomagnets...
- Venting to air or to dry helium
  - Venting to dry helium does not require the warm-up of cryomagnets...

# Review of the beam vacuum failure modes

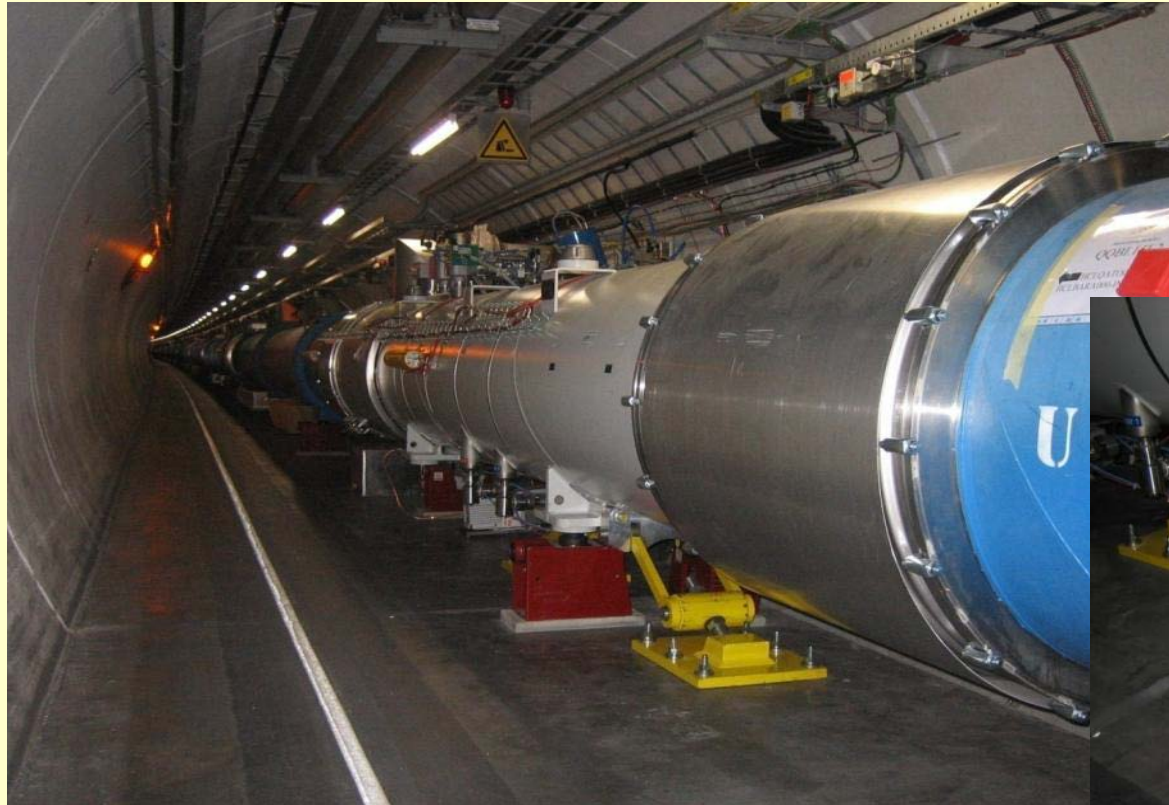
## Beam Vacuum damaged by collateral effects (1/4)

- **Beam pipe pressurization resulting from an injection of cold helium**
  - Expected consequences depend on the type of beam vacuum
    - Beam vacuum operated at ambient temperature (LSS and Experimental areas)
      - Mechanical intervention, bake out and NEG activation
    - Experimental beam vacuum
      - Opening of the Detectors, beam pipe exchange...
    - Beam vacuum at cryogenic temperature (arcs, triplets and SAMs)
      - Warm-up, magnet exchange, in situ cleaning, cool down...
  - Impact onto the beam vacuum depends on the efficiency of compensatory measures decided after the incident of sector 3-4
    - Reinforcement of the supports of the cryomagnets with vacuum barriers
      - Limits the risk of mechanical displacement and damaging of the Plug-in modules (PIMs) and nested bellows
    - Additional pressure relief valves (or unclamped flanges)
      - Limit the pressurization level of the insulation vacuum
    - By-pass at the vacuum barriers (on pumping stations)
      - Limit the pressurization level of the insulation vacuum

# Review of the beam vacuum failure modes

## Beam Vacuum damaged by collateral effects (2/4)

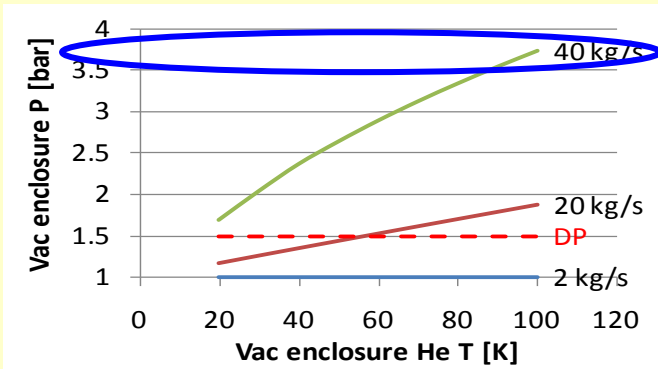
- **Reinforcement of the supports of the cryomagnets with vacuum barriers**
  - Limits the risk of mechanical displacement and damaging of the Plug-in modules (PIMs) and nested bellows
  - ☞ Preventing the injection of cold helium and contamination into the beam vacuum



# Review of the beam vacuum failure modes

## Beam Vacuum damaged by collateral effects (3/4)

- **DN200/160/100 pressure relief valves and/or declamped flanges to limit the pressurization of the insulation vacuum**
  - Limit the pressurization level of the insulation vacuum



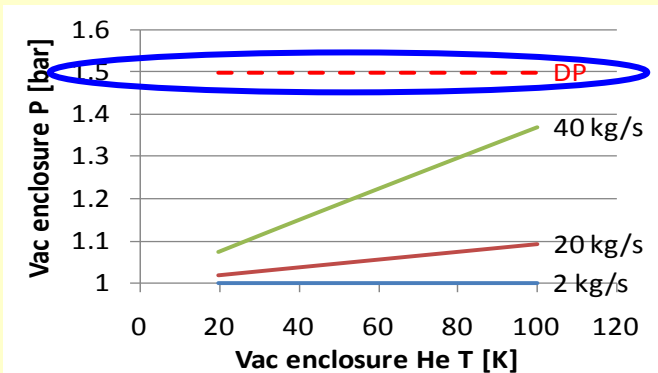
Without DN200  
(declamping of existing flanges)



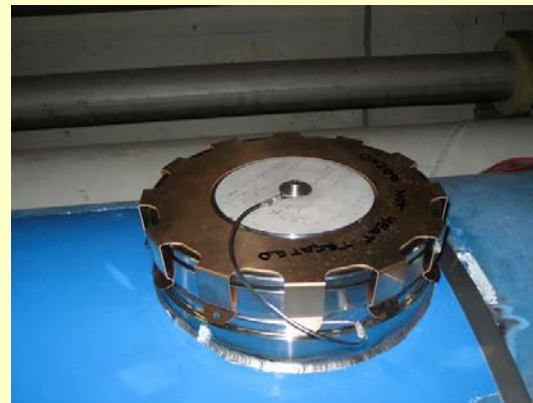
DN200 “declamped” configuration



DN100 “declamped” configuration



Without DN200



DN200 “spring” configuration



DN100 “spring” configuration

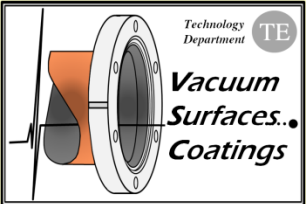
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## Beam Vacuum damaged by collateral effects (4/4)

- **By-pass at the vacuum barriers (on pumping stations)**
  - Limit the pressurization level of the insulation vacuum
  - Implemented on sectors not yet consolidated with DN200 pressure relief valves
  - ☞ Proposal being prepared to extend this configuration to all arcs (2012)







# Pending Issues

## RF cavities, kickers and Experimental areas (1/4)



- **Vacuum failure without pressurization**

- Venting with dry helium without contamination should not be a major issue
  - Commissioning: several days will be required
- Venting with air without contamination will required a bake out for the kickers and a warming up of the SC RF cavities
  - Bake out/venting followed by commissioning: several weeks
- Venting with contamination will impact significantly the performances of these equipments
  - Removal from the tunnel to be considered
  - Not enough spare available

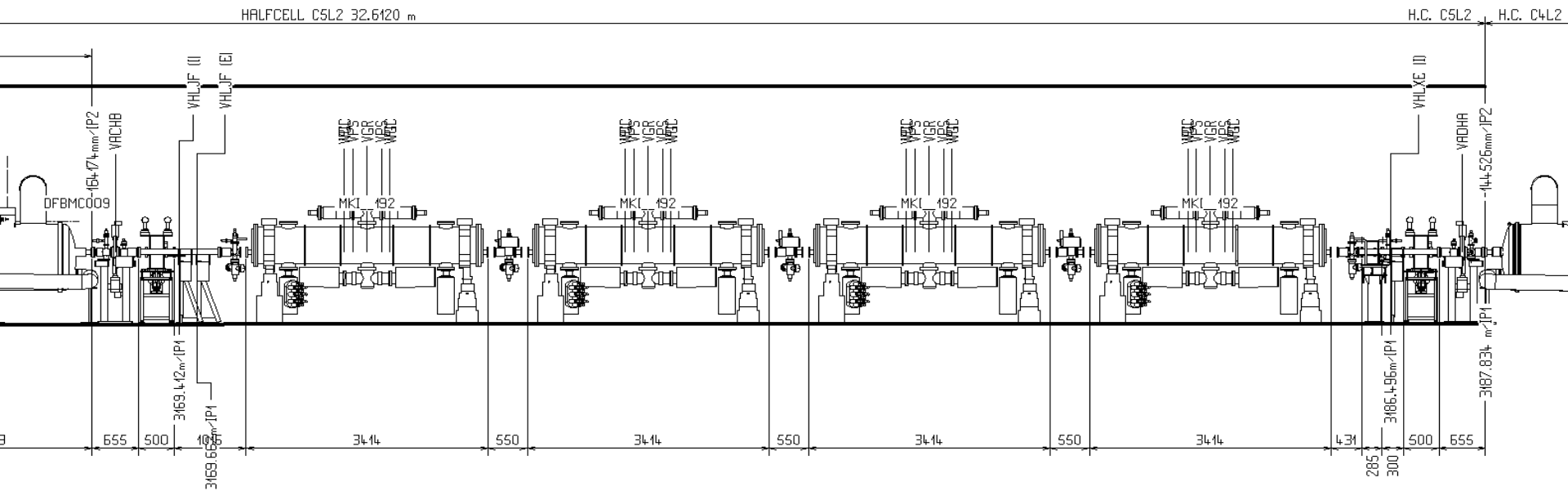
- **Vacuum failure with pressurization**

- Critical in most of these equipments
  - Supports in the Experimental areas are not design to stand induced forces
  - Ceramics, bellows could fail in presence of an internal pressurization

☞ None of these vacuum sectors is equipped with rupture disks

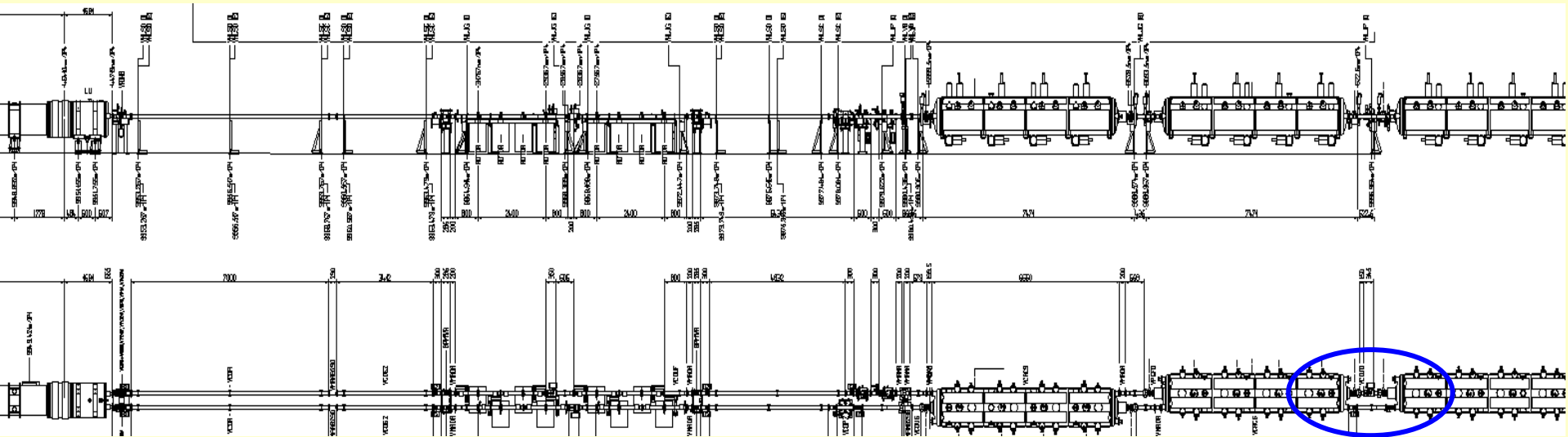
## RF cavities, kickers and Experimental areas (2/4)

- **Configuration around and on between the kickers does not favor optimum solution**
  - 0.5 m between kickers
    - Cannot protect one kicker against its neighbor...
  - 2 m between kickers and Q4D2/Q5 cryomagnets
    - Cannot protect one kicker against its neighboring cryomagnet...
  - Can protect kickers from the arc
    - Not obvious that absolutely required, “damping” effect of NEG coatings and Q6/Q5 cryomagnets



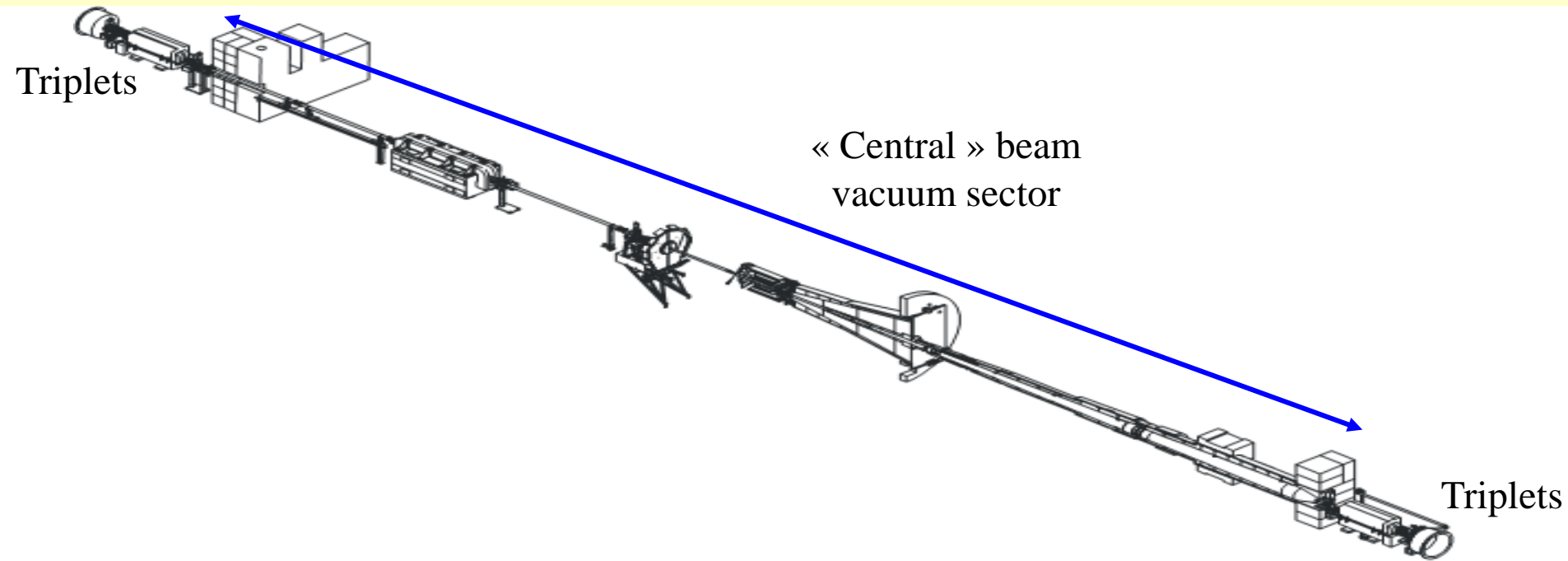
## RF cavities, kickers and Experimental areas (3/4)

- Configuration around and on between the cavities does not favor optimum solution
  - 0.5 m between cavity 2 and 3
    - Cannot protect one cavity against its neighbor...
    - ☞ Can protect cavity 1 and 4...
  - >30 m between kickers and D3 cryomagnets
    - Can protect the cavities against their neighboring cryomagnets...
  - Can protect cavities from the arc
    - Not obvious that it is absolutely required, “damping” effect of NEG coatings and Q6/Q5/D4/D3 cryomagnets



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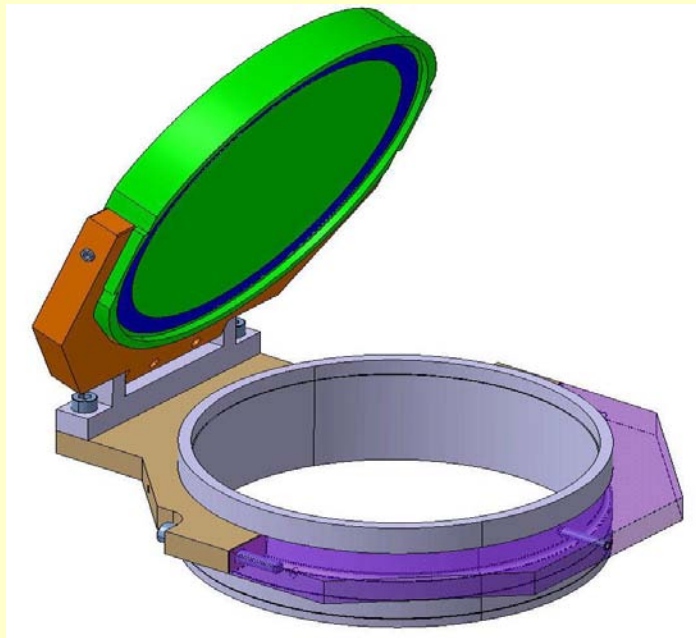
- **Configuration around and on the Experimental areas does not favor optimum solution**
  - Few meters between the “central” beam vacuum sector and Q1 cryomagnets
    - Cannot protect the Experimental beam vacuum from the triplets...
  - >50 m between the Experimental beam vacuum and the D2Q4 cryomagnets,
    - Can protect the Experiments against D2Q4 cryomagnets...
  - Can protect the Experimental beam vacuum from the arc
    - Not obvious that absolutely required, “damping” effect NEG coatings and cryomagnets



# Mitigation solutions

## Pressure relief valves

- **New design of DN200/160/100 valves**
  - Opens in case of a slight overpressure and then “recloses” at equilibrium (internal/external)
  - “Self” positioning to improve tightness reliability
  - Limits contamination /condensation of huge quantities of air
    - Water (MLI) and Oxygen (explosion risk) are the most delicate
  - To be applied to all “declamped” positions (DN100/160/200)
    - Proposal being studied for all positions (2012)



# Mitigation solutions

## Rupture disks (1/4)

- **New design of rupture disks**

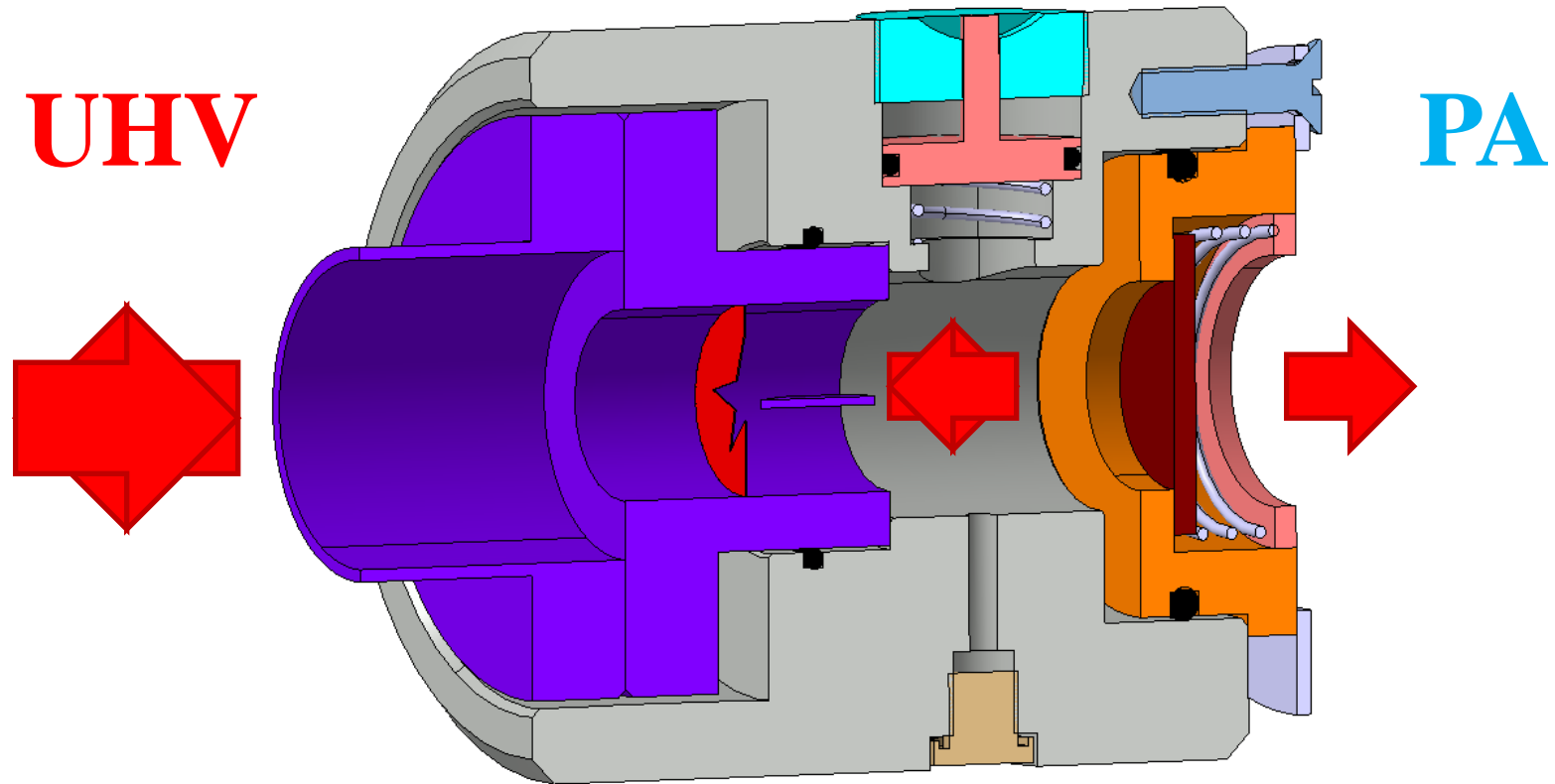
- Opens in case of pressurization and then closes off when pressures are at equilibrium
- Limits the contamination /condensation of huge quantities of air
  - Water (MLI) and Oxygen (explosion risk) are the most delicate
- Self protected in case of a failure of the disk
  - Accidental venting is avoided by the viton sealed cap
- Less critical design, more adapted to an extended use in the arcs
  - Limits the buckling of the bellows (PIMs and nested) in case of an internal pressurisation



# Mitigation solutions

## Rupture disks (2/4)

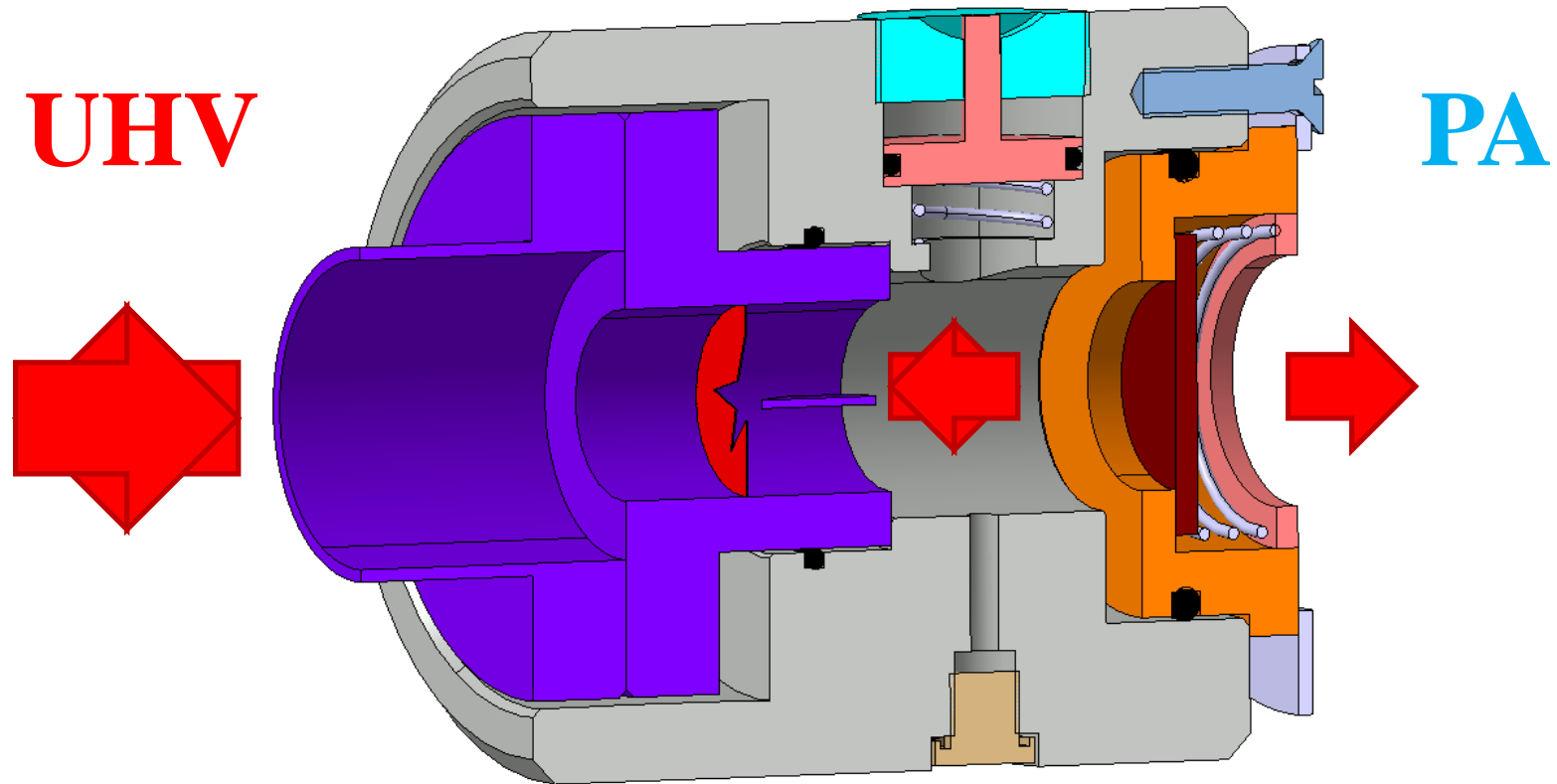
Internal pressurization



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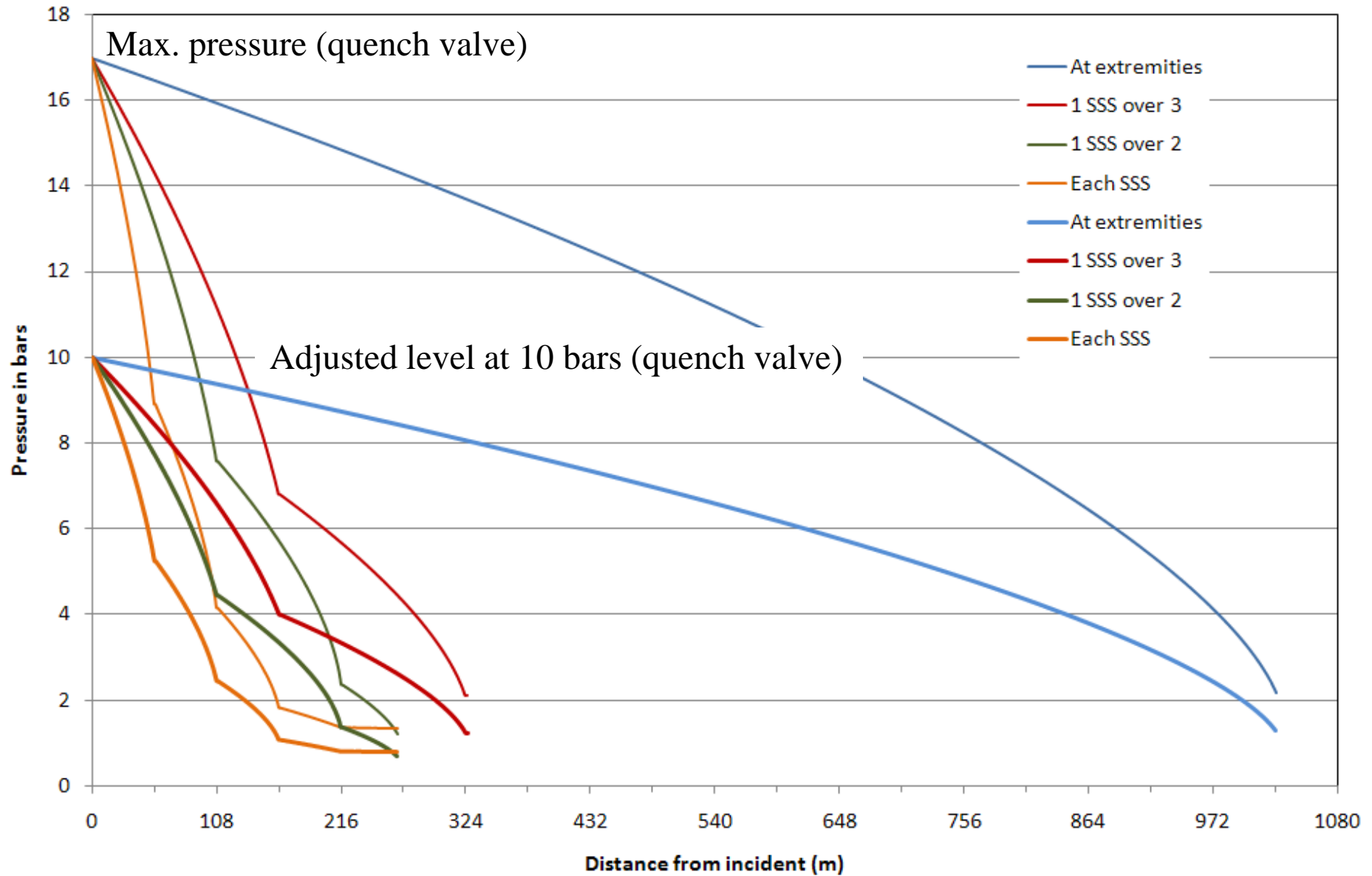
Accidental rupture of the disk





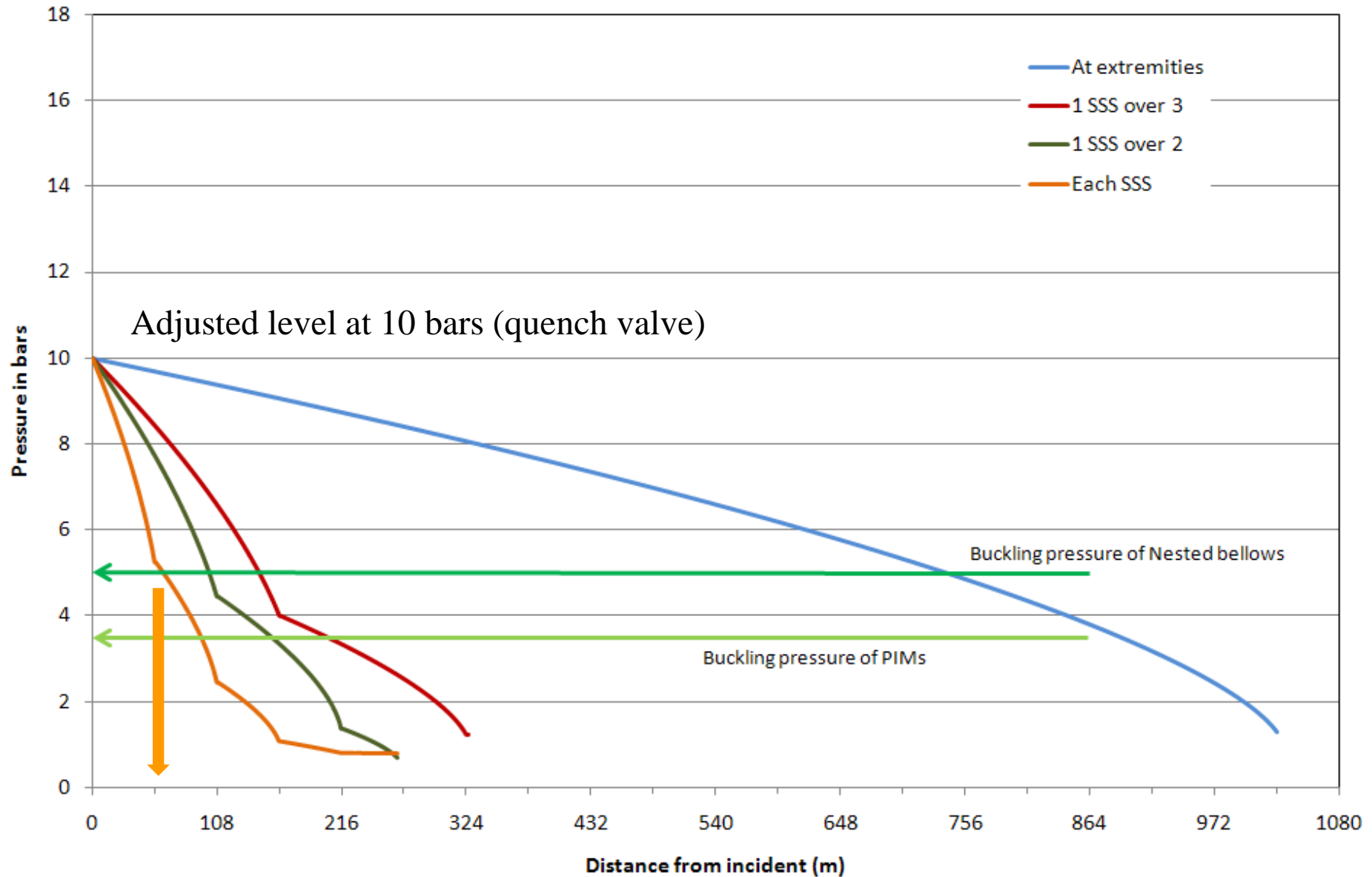
# Mitigation solutions

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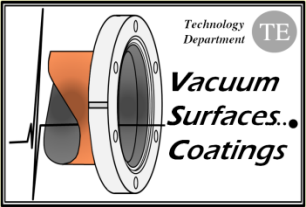


# Mitigation solutions

## Rupture disks (4/4)

- **External pressurization should no longer be a problem**
  - 1.5 bar for consolidated sectors, for an MCI (40 kg/s)
  - 3.5 bars for the non-consolidated sectors, for an MCI (40 kg/s)

☞ PIMs and Nested bellows have a higher buckling pressure, 3.5 and 5 bars respectively
- **Internal pressurization is a major issue**
  - If an impact of the beam onto the beam screen / cold bore can not be excluded
    - ☞ Recommends to install additional rupture disks. In case of an MCI,
      - 200 m of machine could have buckled bellows if each SSS is equipped
      - 400 m of machine could have buckled bellows if each 1 SSS over 2 is equipped
      - 600 m of machine could have buckled bellows if each 1 SSS over 3 is equipped
      - Etc.



# Mitigation solutions

## Fast shutters (1/2)



- **Prerequisites**

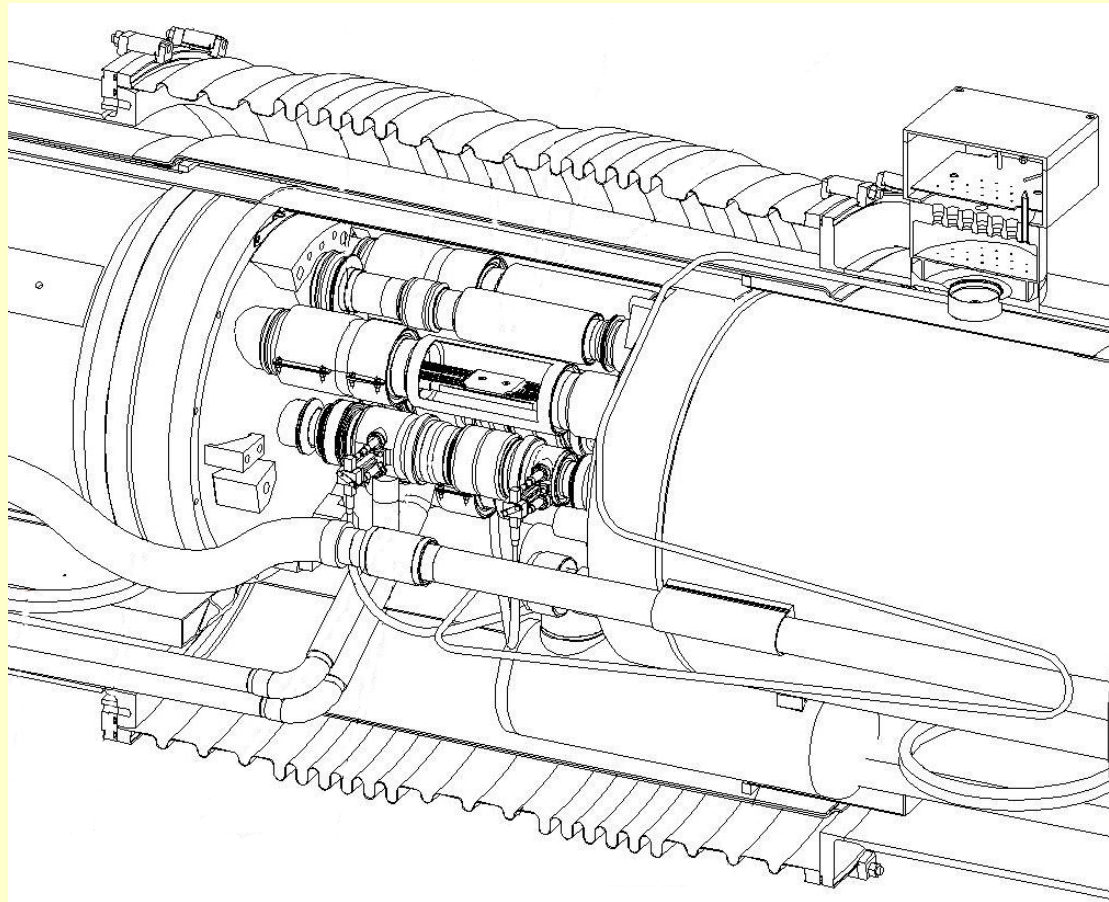
- Shall not be necessarily leak tight
- Shall limit the propagation of the contamination
- ☞ Shall close within 20-50 ms
- Shall not be dangerous for the machine in case beams intercept the sealing plate
- ☞ Shall use a low-Z material for the sealing plate
  - Transparent to the beam
  - Faster since lighter
  - Spring or pyrotechnic actuator (adapt commercially available actuators)
- ⇒ Requires reliable interlock signals
  - Beam loss monitors
  - Pressure gauges or nQPS in the absence of circulating beams
- ☞ Needs a complete development and validation tests
- ☞ Being studied in the TE-VSC group
  - ☞ Conceptual design expected by end 2010
  - ☞ Installation foreseen for 2012

# Mitigation solutions

## Fast shutters (2/2)

- **Vacuum failure without pressurization**

- Propagation of the contamination is an issue since the arc is not sectorised
  - No space left in an interconnection to install a fast shutter...

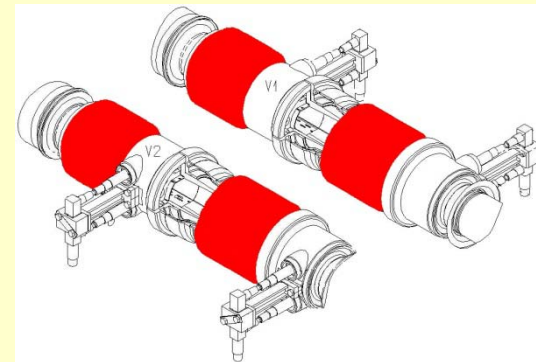
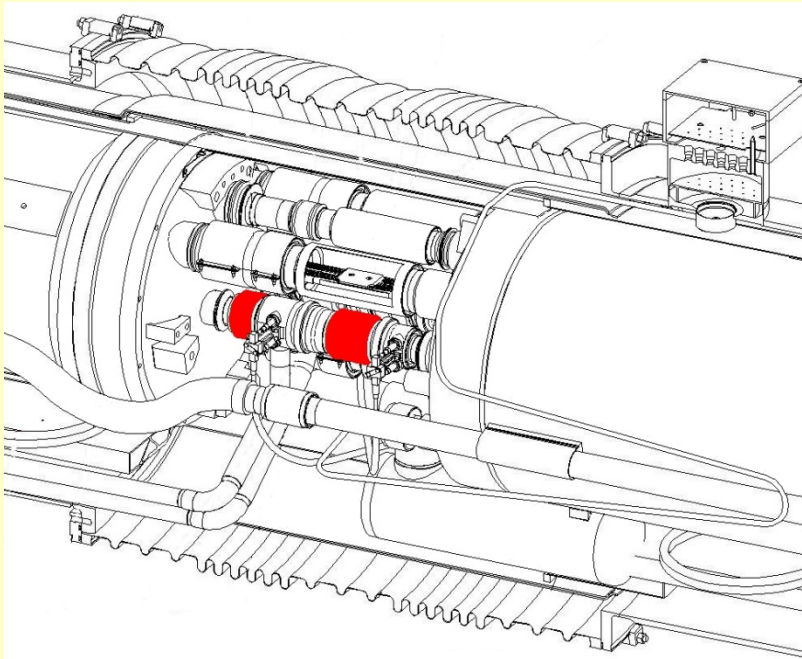


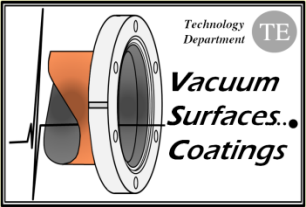
Still looking  
for ideas...

# Mitigation solutions

## Half-shells

- **Two half-shells in Vetronite or equivalent**
    - Shall protect the bellows (PIMs and nested) in the interconnections
      - Increase resistance to plasma discharge (high temperature resistance)
      - Avoid damages induced by the projections of melted metal
      - Limit the injection of MLI in the Beam Vacuum
      - Slightly increase the buckling pressure by a “guiding effect”
    - Shall use insulating material to repulse the plasma/arcing risk
- ☞ Easy to retrofit during the consolidation of the splices



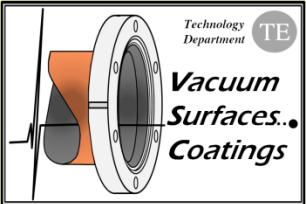


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- **Prerequisites and required time to implement**

- Half-shells are easy to install and will be coupled with the consolidation of the splices (2012)
- Additional rupture disks sounds a good idea
  - Installed at all extremities of the 4 Experimental areas  $\Rightarrow$  Needs a venting to dry Neon to equip the central vacuum sector
    - Will allow to put back into operation, the sector valves...
  - In the arcs  $\Rightarrow$  Needs a warm up and can be coupled with the consolidation of the splices
    - Proposal will be presented to LMC by Autumn'10
- $\Rightarrow$  Reliability and limitation of collateral damages in case of a membrane failure is being considered (see new design)
- Fast-closing valves need a technical development and validation
  - On going studies, first proposal (conceptual) by end 2010
  - Implementation in 2012
- $\Rightarrow$  Implementation in the arcs seems difficult



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