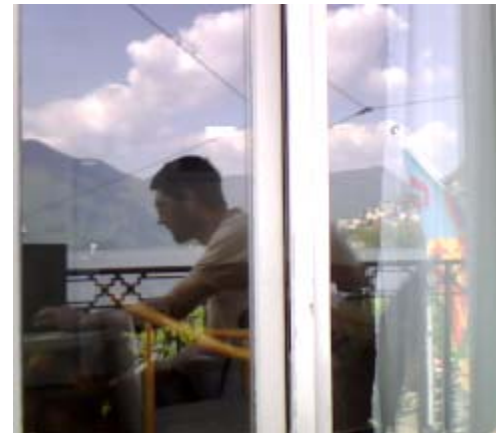


The LHC - Accelerator Aspects (a crash course in accelerators ?)

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Overview

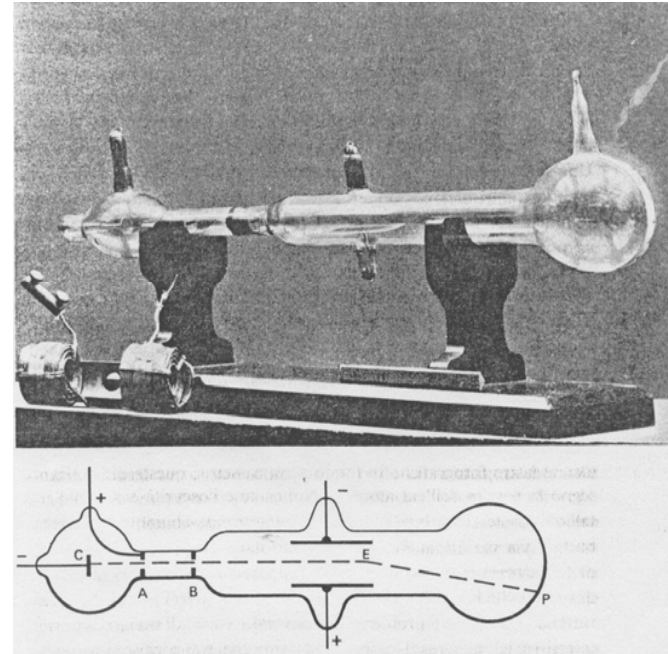
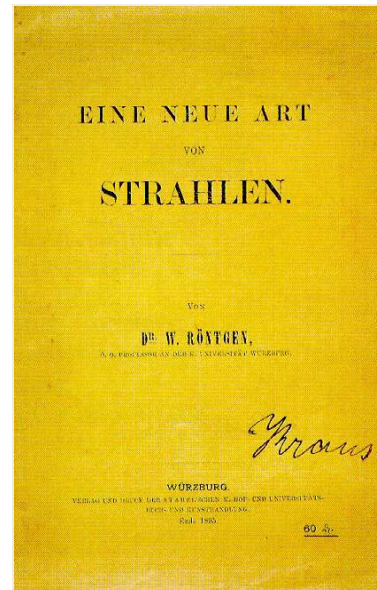
- L H C
- Accelerator elements
- What makes the LHC special
- LHC commissioning and plans

The beginning...

1895 discovery of X rays



Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen



An accelerator
Cathode rays



J.J. Thomson 1897:
the electron

Accelerators running in the world

CATEGORY OF ACCELERATORS	NUMBER IN USE (*)
High Energy acc. (E >1GeV)	~120
Synchrotron radiation sources	>100
Medical radioisotope production	~200
Radiotherapy accelerators	> 7500
Research acc. included biomedical research	~1000
Acc. for industrial processing and research	~1500
Ion implanters, surface modification	>7000
TOTAL	> 17500

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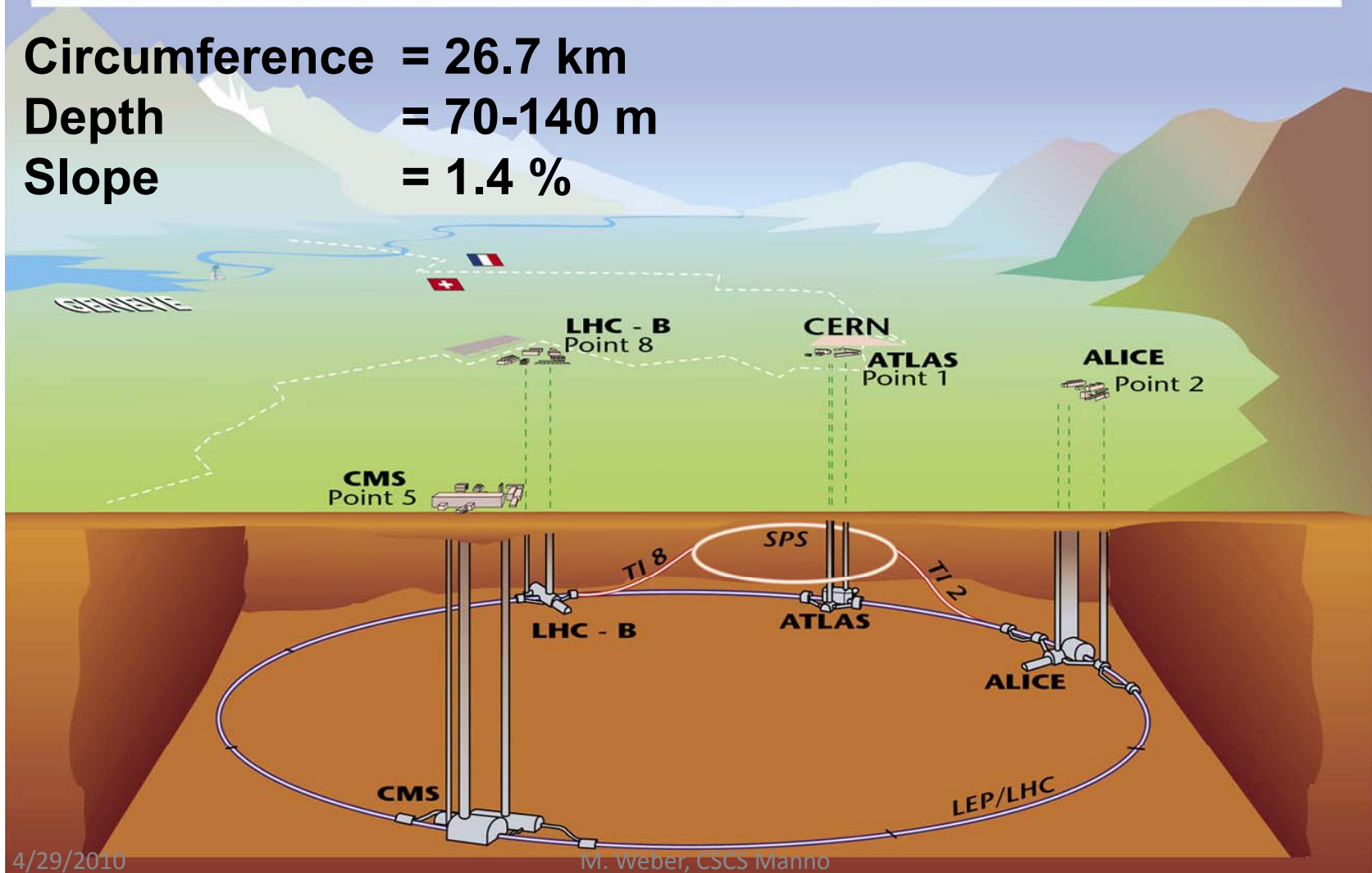
(*) W. Maciszewski and W. Scharf: Int. J. of Radiation Oncology, 2004

About half are used for bio-medical applications

LHC layout – above and below ground

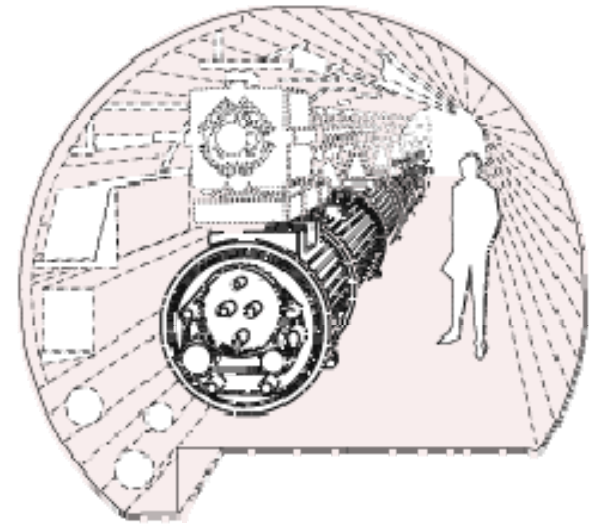
Overall view of the LHC experiments.

Circumference = 26.7 km
Depth = 70-140 m
Slope = 1.4 %



LHC timeline

- 1984: Project start in Lausanne
- 1989: First experiment ideas / collaborations
- 1994: Approval by CERN council
- 1996: CMS and ATLAS are approved
- 1998: Civil engineering work for ATLAS and CMS start
Successful prototype dipole magnet test
LHCb is approved
- 2000: Dismantling of LEP starts
- 2001: European Data Grid is launched
LHC computing Grid is approved
- 2004: Transfer line SPS to LHC tested
- 2005: First dipole lowered into LHC tunnel
LHC computing grid becomes the largest scientific computing grid
- 2006: CERN Central Control room starts operation
- 2007: Last dipole is lowered to the LHC tunnel, all interconnects finished
- 2008: The LHC is complete



LHC

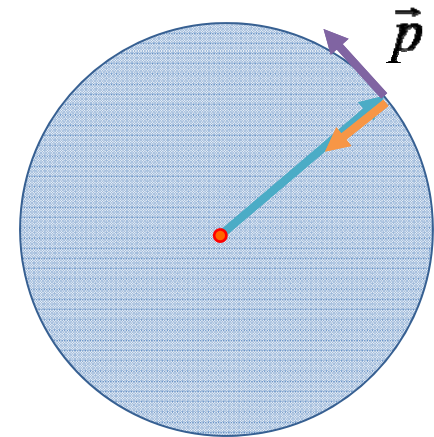
Why Large ?

- The size of an accelerator is related to the maximum momentum/energy obtainable
- The radius of the machine and the strength of the dipole magnetic field that keeps particles in their orbits.
- For the LHC the radius is fix, it uses the 27 km circumference tunnel that was built for the previous big accelerator, LEP

$$E^2 = m^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2$$

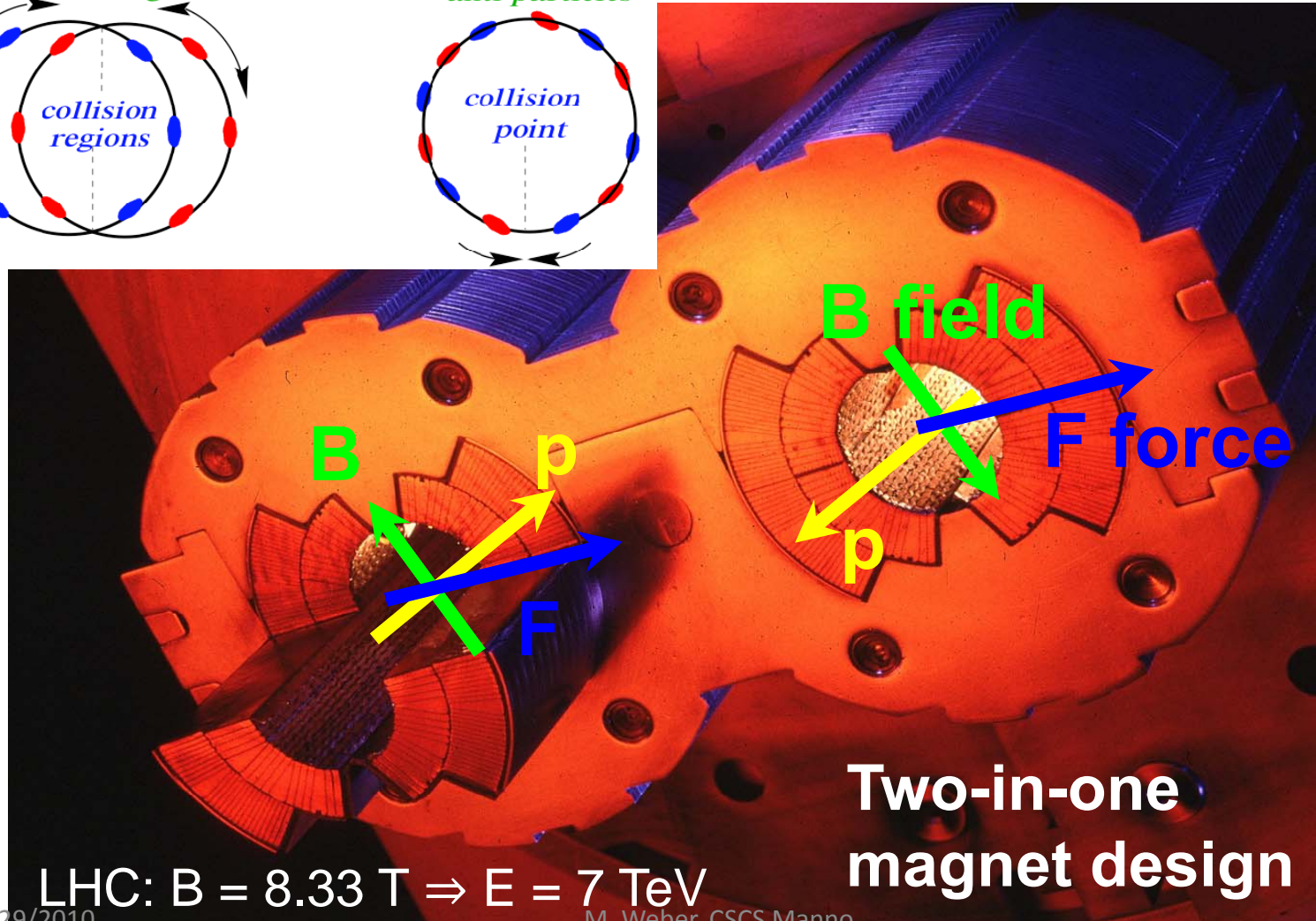
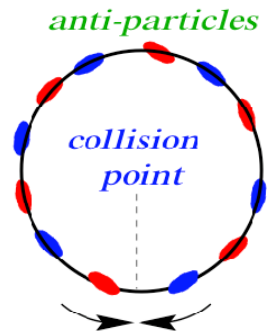
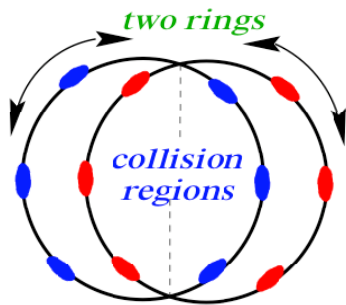
$$BR = \frac{p}{e}$$

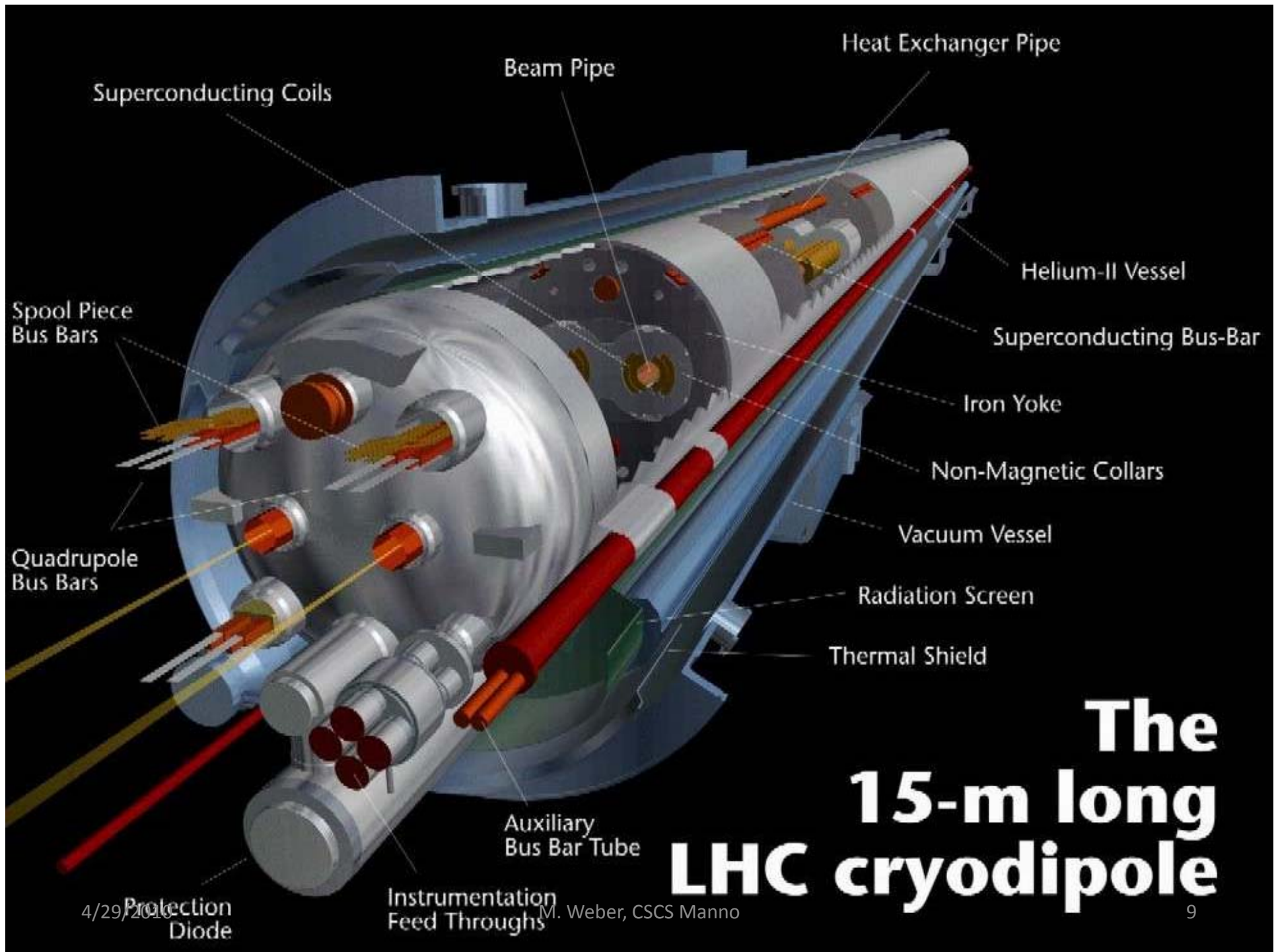
**Large momentum:
Strong magnets
Large Radius**



$$F = evB = \frac{mv^2}{R}$$

Magnets







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Why collider ?

- When two beams collide, the energy available (for example to produce new particles) is the sum of the energies of the two beams
- A beam of the same energy that hits a fixed target would produce a collision of much less energy



$$E = E_{\text{beam 1}} + E_{\text{beam 2}}$$



$$E \propto \sqrt{E_{\text{beam}}}$$

Why accelerator ?

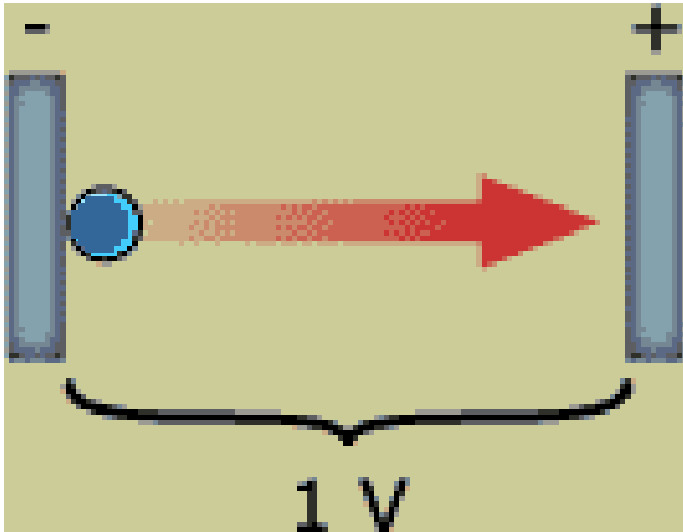
- Well... it isn't really... this is historic
- The LHC is more an “energizer”

Kinetic energy of a proton (K)	Speed (%c)	Accelerator
50 MeV	31.4	Linac 2
1.4 GeV	91.6	PS Booster
25 GeV	99.93	PS
450 GeV	99.9998	SPS
7 TeV	99.9999991	LHC

Relationship between kinetic energy and speed of a proton in the CERN machines. The rest mass of the proton is $0.938 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

- No particle can move faster than the speed of light in vacuum
- Protons are injected into the LHC at 99.999783 % of the speed of light and “accelerated” to 99.999996 % of the speed of light
- The Energy goes from 450 GeV to 3500 GeV

Electrostatic acceleration

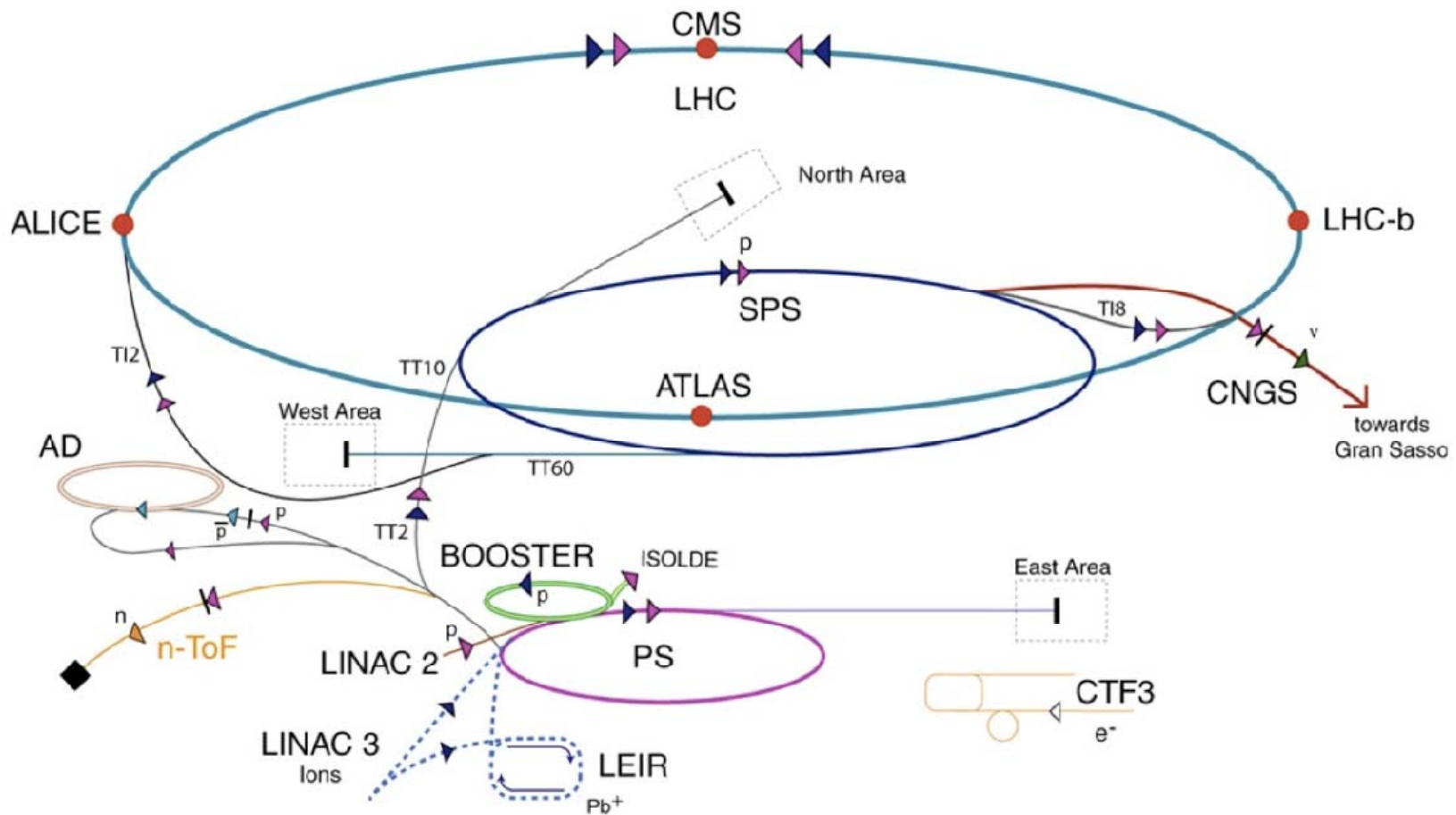


$$eV = E_{kin}$$

$$F = eE = e \frac{V}{d}$$
$$Fd = E_{kin} = eV$$

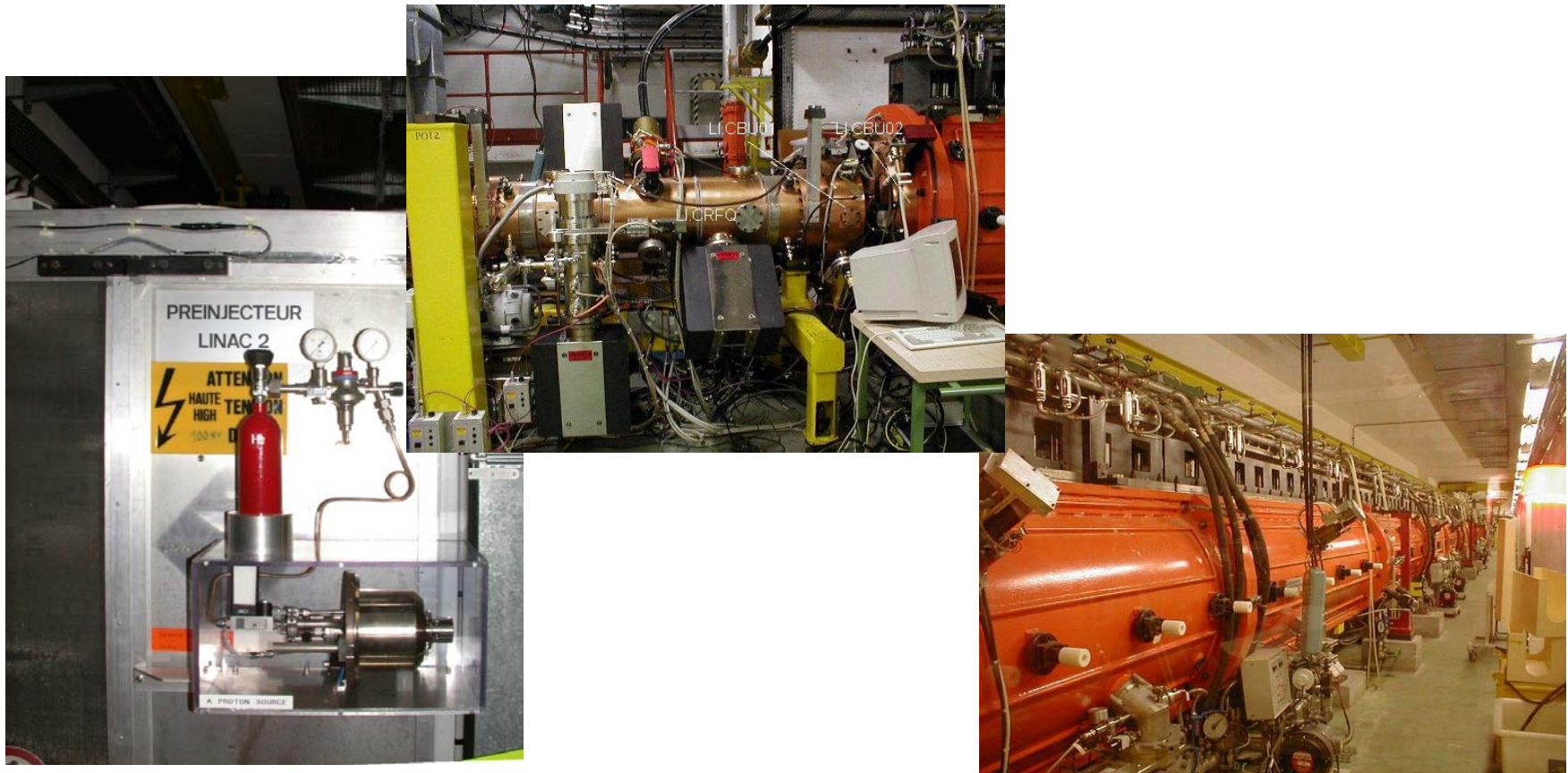
- 1 eV : kinetic energy gained by a unit charged particle after passing an electrostatic potential of one volt
- 1 eV = 1.6×10^{-19} J [Joule]
- 1 V \rightarrow 1 eV
- 1 TeV = 1'000'000'000'000 eV \rightarrow 1'000'000'000'000 V

CERN accelerator complex



- | | | | |
|------------|---------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ▶ protons | ▶ antiprotons | AD Antiproton Decelerator | LHC Large Hadron Collider |
| ▶ ions | ▶ electrons | PS Proton Synchrotron | n-ToF Neutron Time of Flight |
| ▶ neutrons | ▶ neutrinos | SPS Super Proton Synchrotron | CNGS CERN Neutrinos Gran Sasso |
| | | | CTF3 CLIC Test Facility 3 |

Linear accelerators at CERN

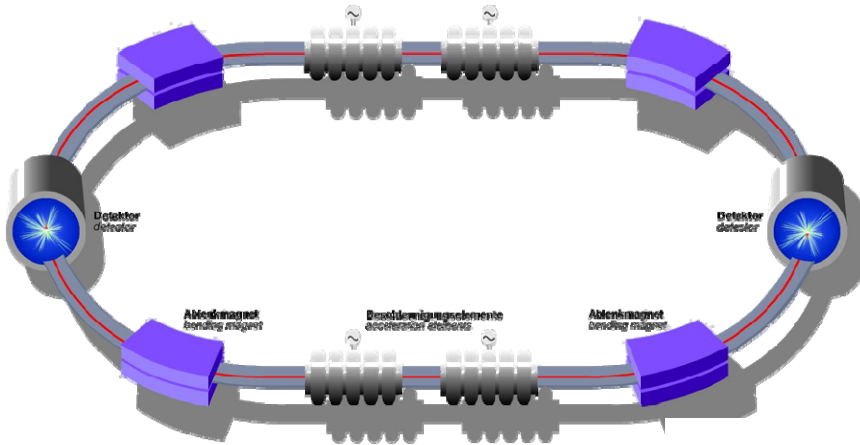


Starting from a bottle of Hydrogen !
First stages of the accelerator chain are linear.

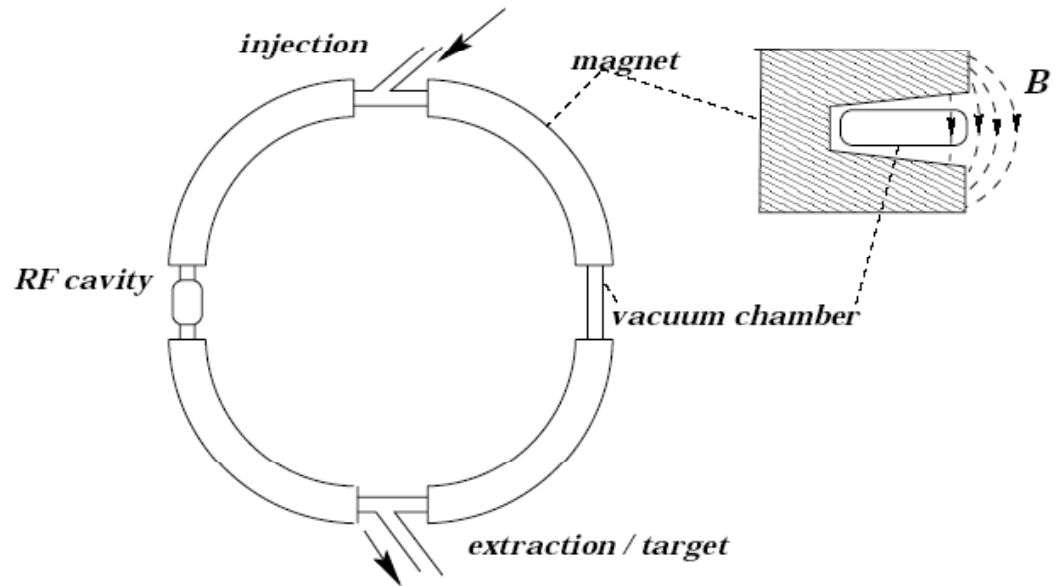
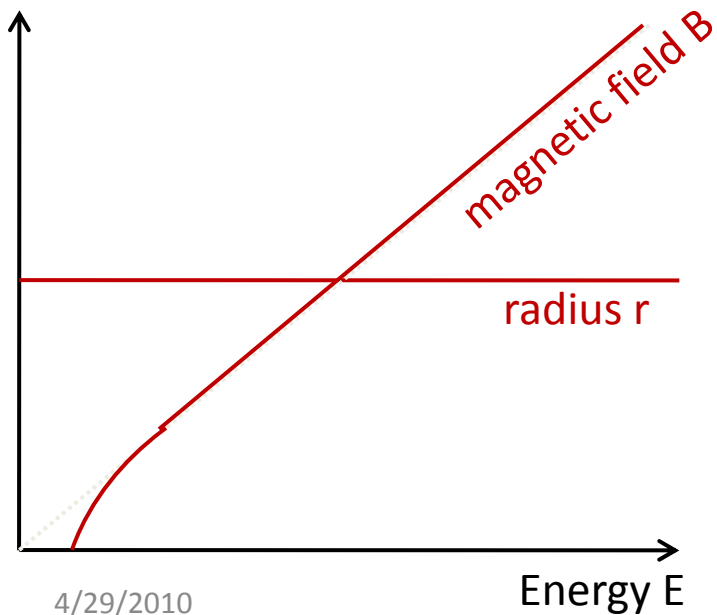
Stanford **Linear** Accelerator Center ^(old name) (SLAC National Accelerator Center)



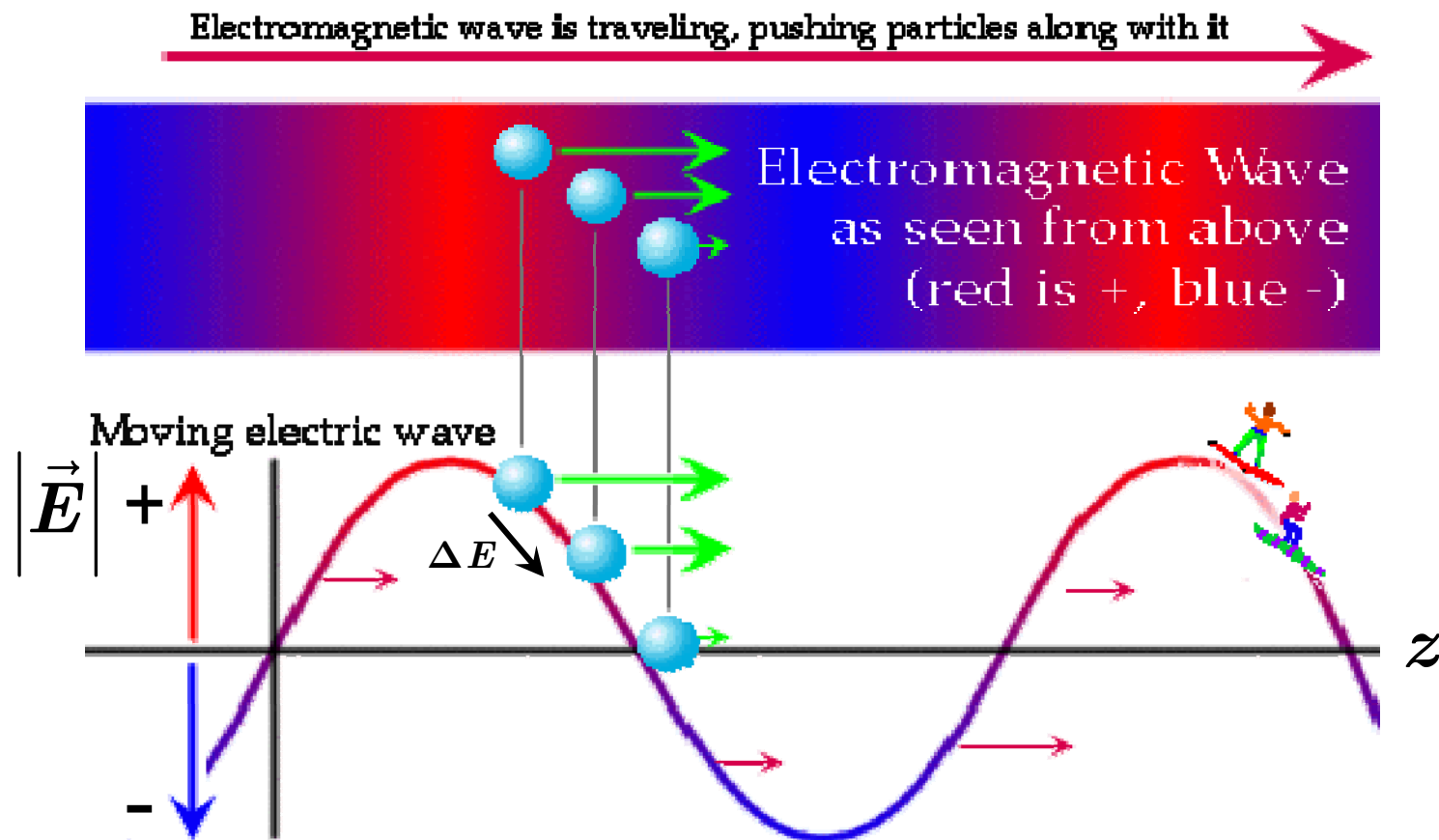
Synchrotron



Synchronous **ramping**
of the magnetic field
with Energy

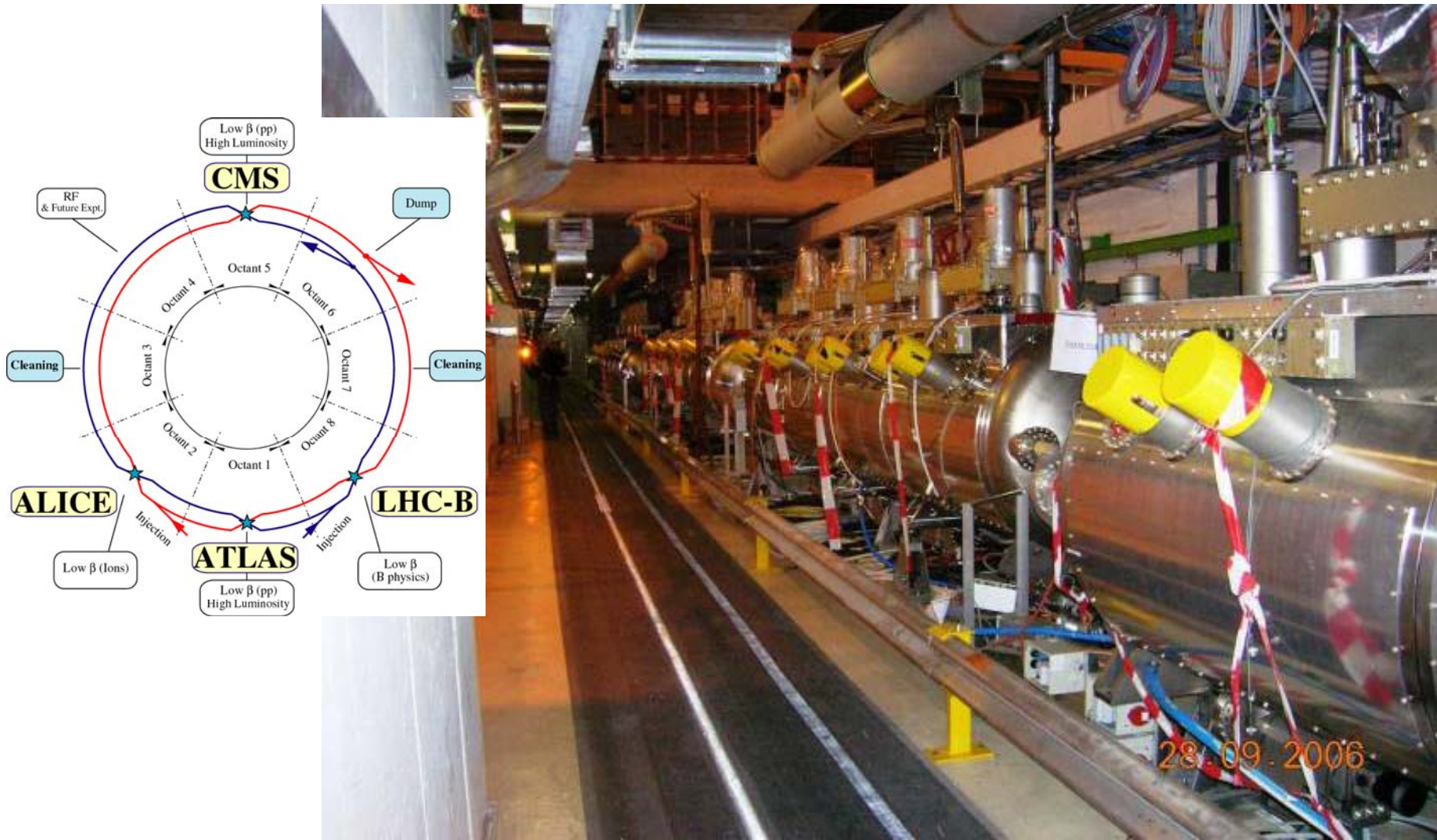


Radio Frequency (RF) acceleration



Positively charged particles (●) close to the crest of the E-M wave experience the most force forward; those closer to the center experience less of a force. The result is that the particles tend to move together with the wave.

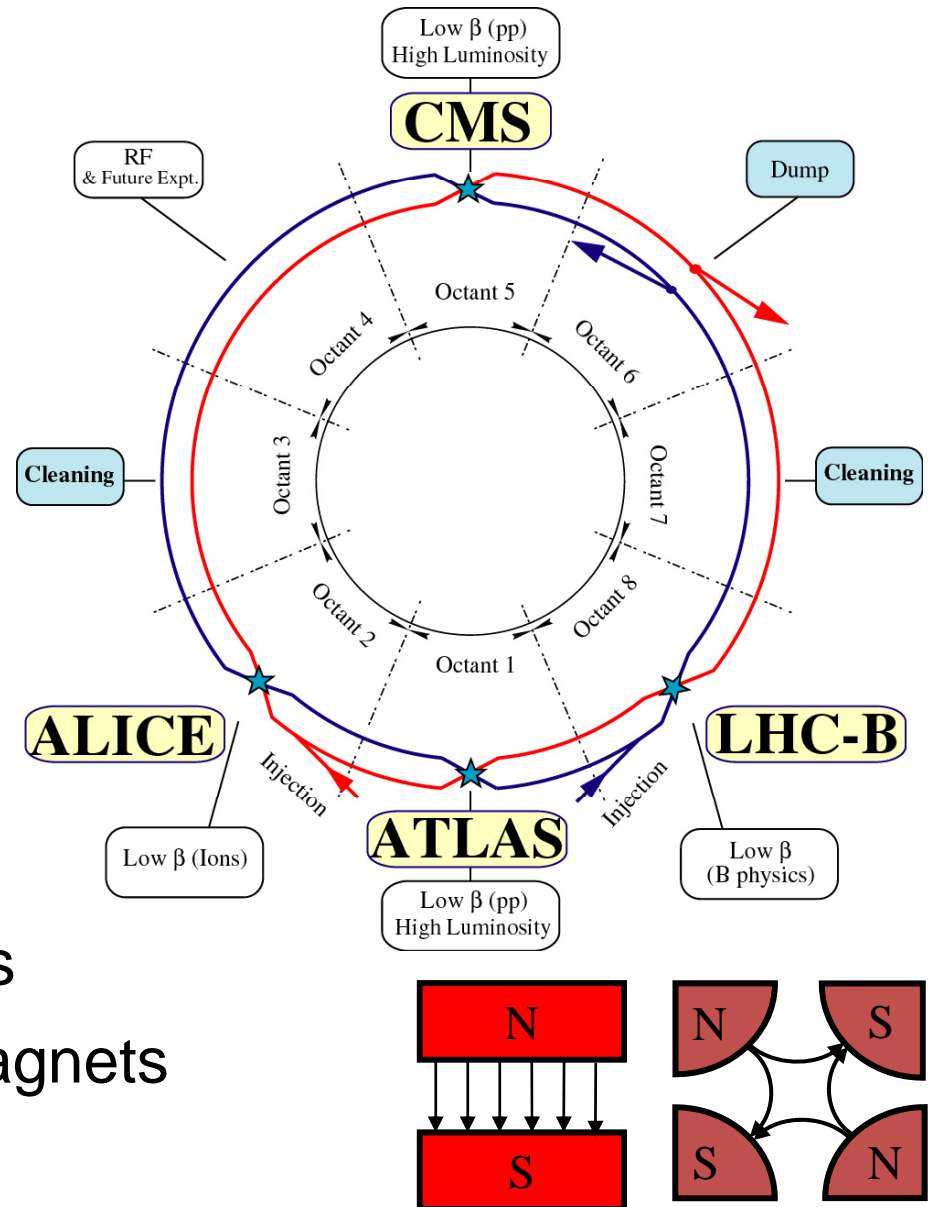
RF - tunnel view



LHC elements

- Charged particles are accelerated, guided confined/focused by **electric and magnetic fields**

Acceleration: RF cavities
 Bending: Dipole magnets
 Focusing: Quadrupole magnets



- Why is the LHC special ???**

What do experiments want?

High energy

B = bending field
 ρ = bending radius
 p = momentum
 e = charge

$$B\rho = \frac{p}{e}$$

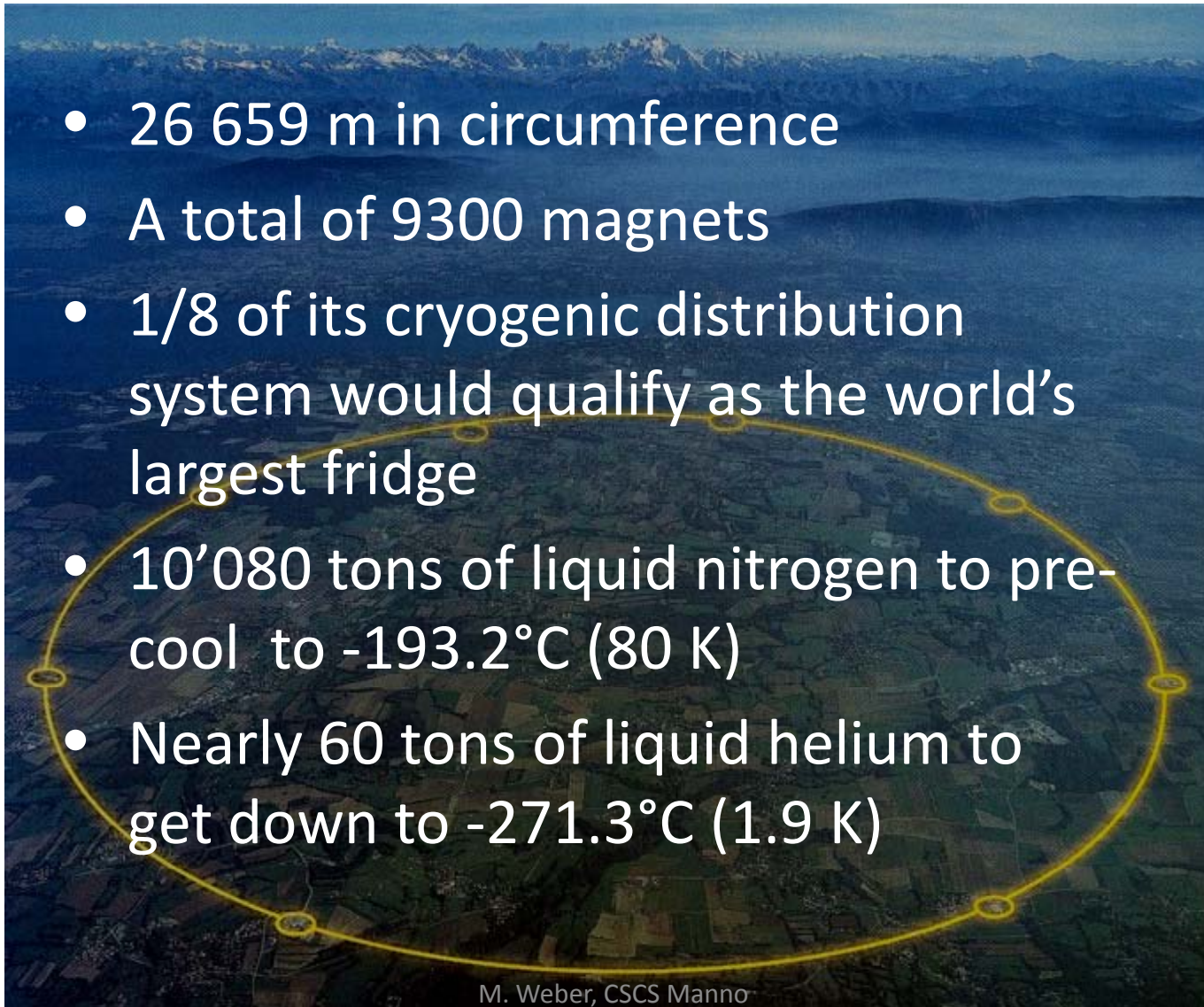
High luminosity

N = bunch population
 n_b = number of bunches
 f_{rev} = revolution frequency
 $\sigma_{x,y}$ = colliding beam sizes
 F = geometric factor

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{N^2 n_b f_{\text{rev}} F}{4\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y}$$

*“Thus, to achieve high luminosity, **all one has to do** is make (lots of) high population bunches of low emittance to collide at high frequency at locations where the beam optics provides as low values of the amplitude functions as possible.” PDG 2005, chapter 25*

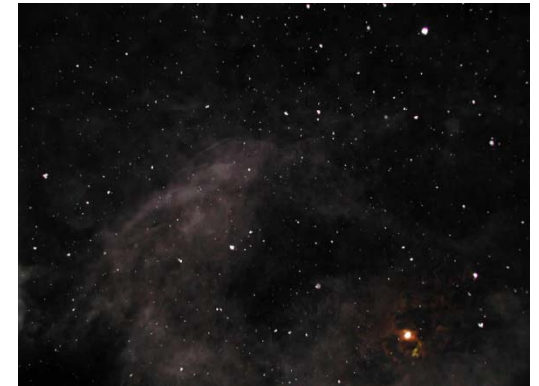
The largest machine in the world...



- 26 659 m in circumference
- A total of 9300 magnets
- 1/8 of its cryogenic distribution system would qualify as the world's largest fridge
- 10'080 tons of liquid nitrogen to pre-cool to -193.2°C (80 K)
- Nearly 60 tons of liquid helium to get down to -271.3°C (1.9 K)

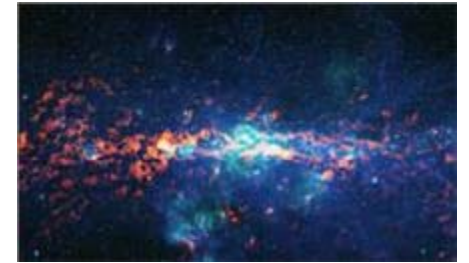
The emptiest space in the Solar System...

- To avoid colliding with gas molecules inside the accelerator, the beams of particles travel in an ultra-high vacuum – a cavity as empty as interplanetary space.
- The internal pressure of the LHC is 10^{-13} bar, ten times less than the pressure on the Moon!

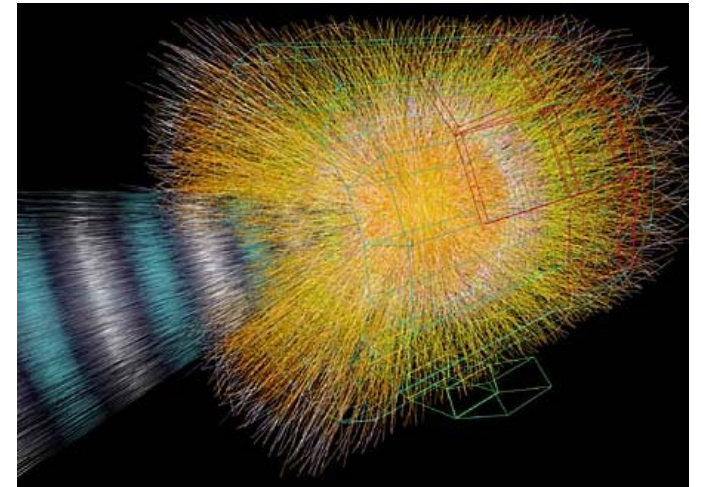




The hottest and coldest place in the Universe



- The LHC is a machine of extreme hot and cold
- When two beams of protons collide, they will generate temperatures more than 100 000 times hotter than the center of the Sun
- The 'cryogenic distribution system', which circulates superfluid helium around the accelerator ring, keeps the LHC at a super cool temperature of -271.3°C (1.9 K) – even colder than outer space!

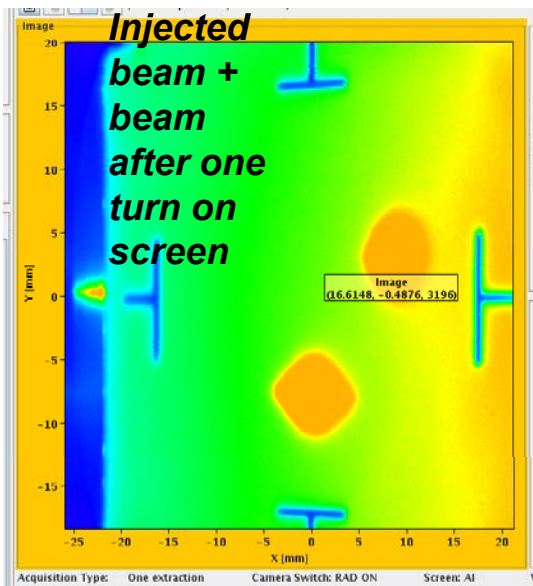
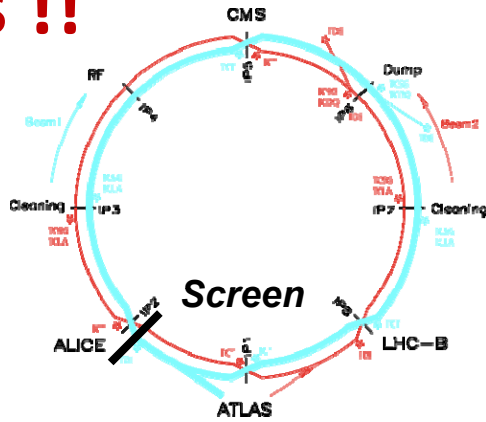


The most powerful supercomputer system in the world...



Does it work ??

- **Yes !!**



3.5 TeV collisions on March 30th



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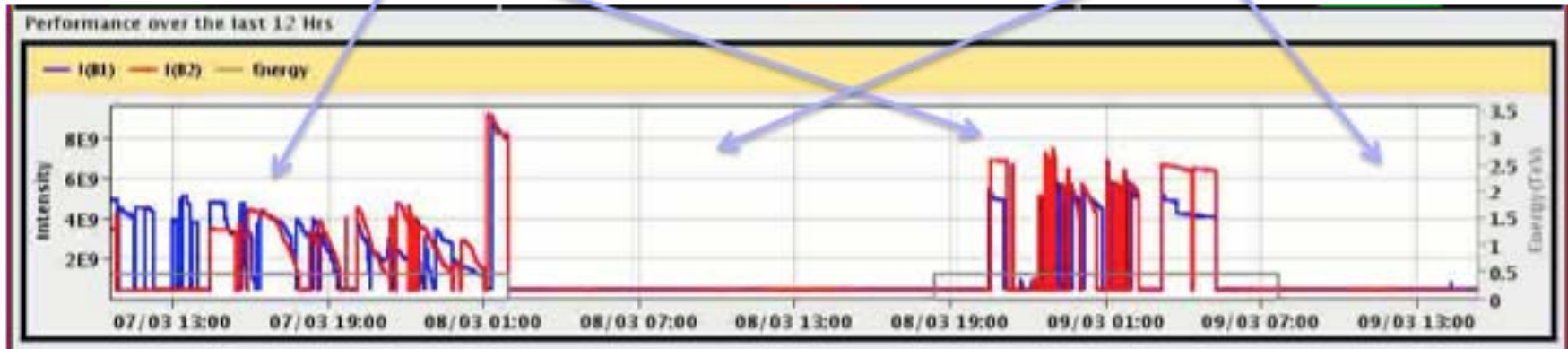
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Typical pictures

Beam 1
Beam 2

Very busy beam work by CCC team
and many experts (single bunch up to $1e10$ p)

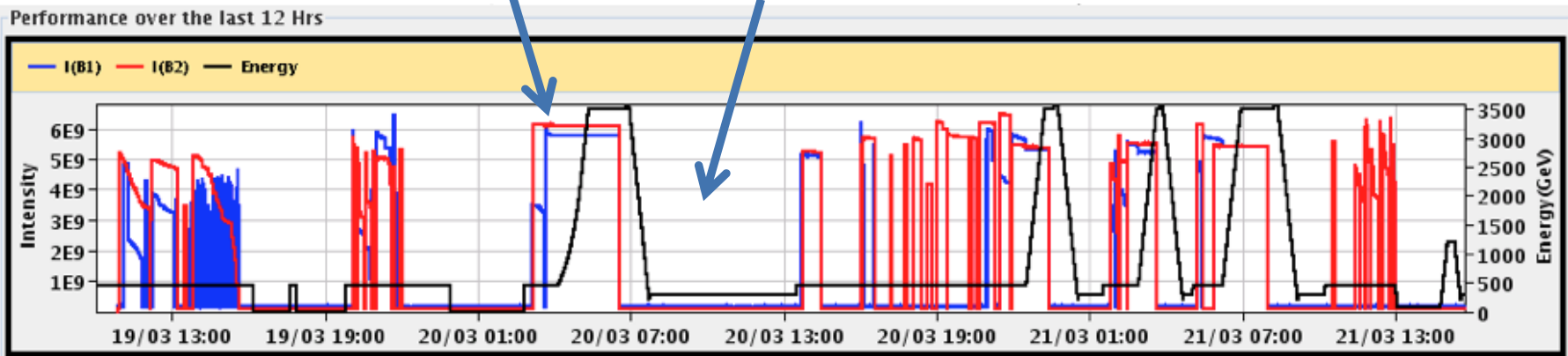
Very busy hardware
work by experts: no beam



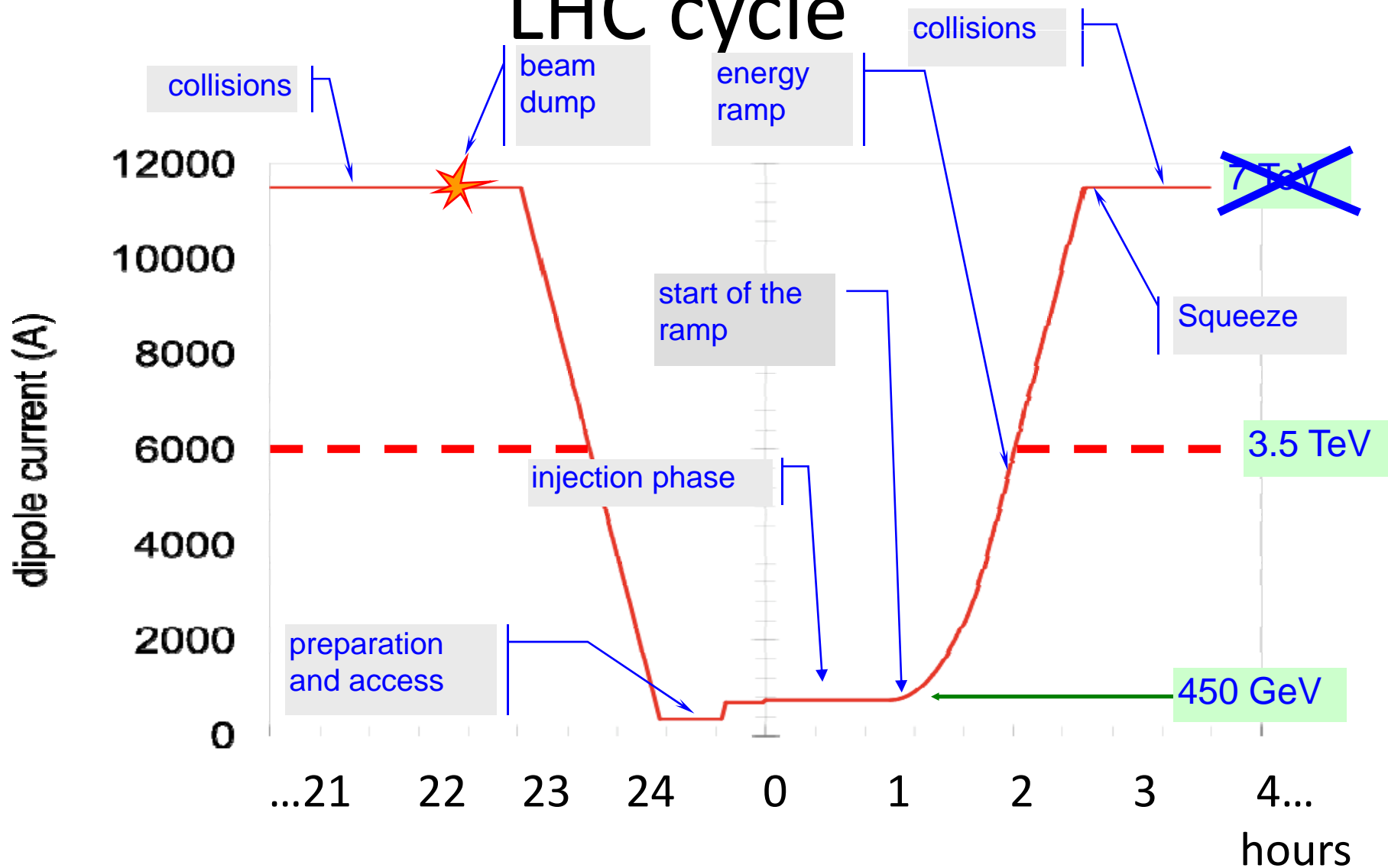
12 hours

Ramp

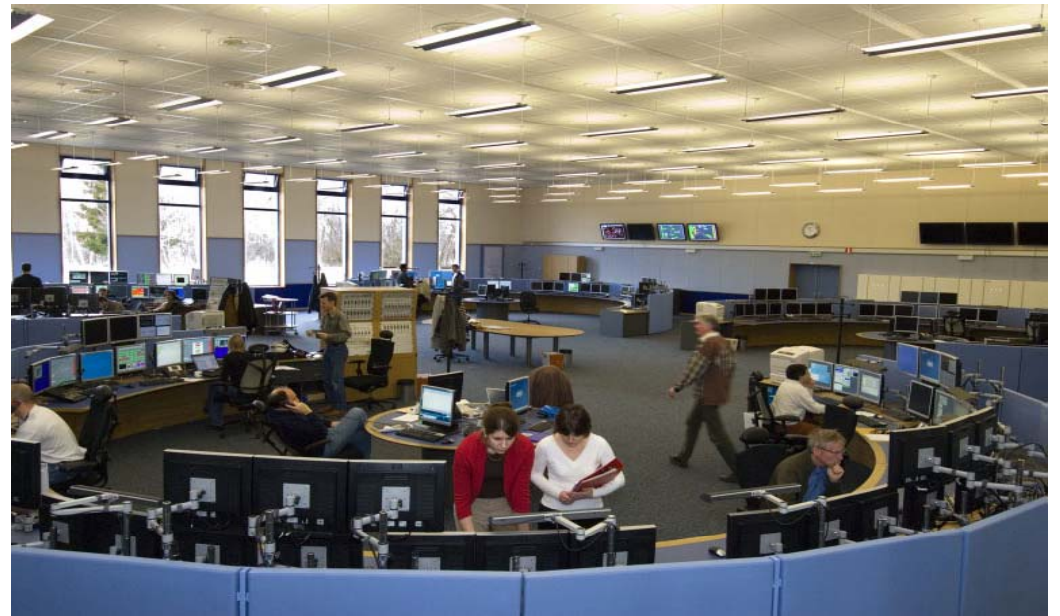
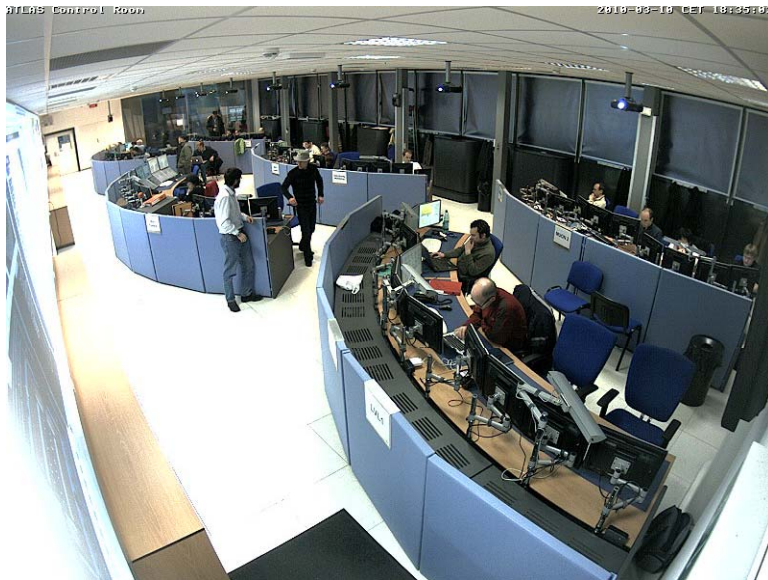
Problems

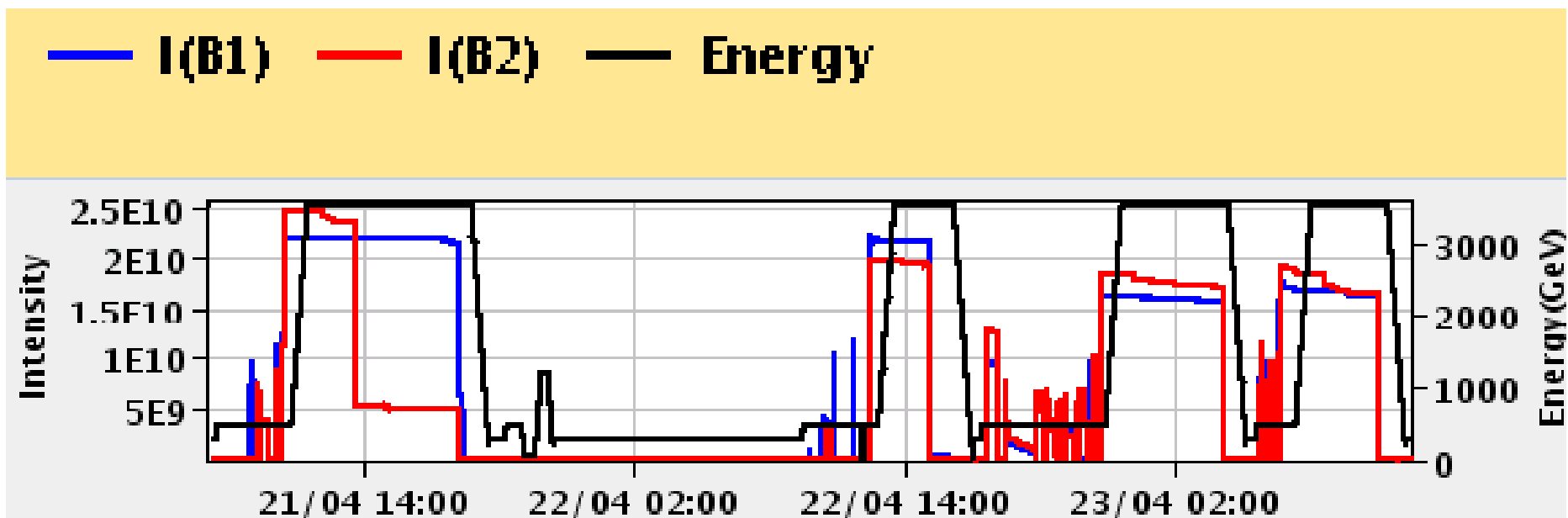


LHC cycle

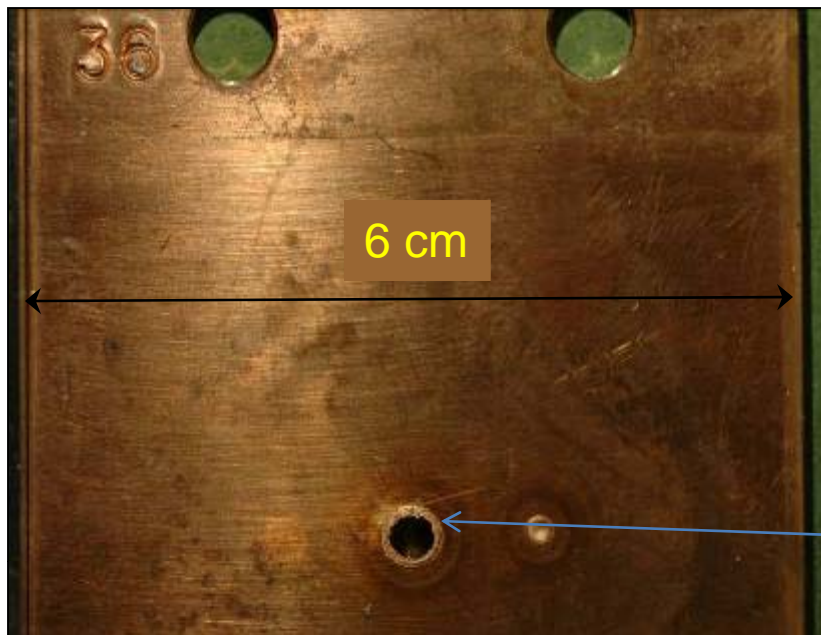


24/7 operation for experiments and accelerator





27th Feb	First injection
28th Feb	Both beams circulating
5th March	Canonical two beam operation
8th March	Collimation setup at 450 GeV
12th March	Ramp to 1.18 TeV
15th - 18th March	Technical stop – bends good for 6 kA
19th March	Ramp to 3.5 TeV
26th - 29th March	Preparation of ‘stable’ beam conditions
30th March	First 3.5 TeV collisions in all experiments (media event)
1st April	Betatron squeeze to 5 m in IP1 and IP5
4th - 5th April	19h-long store with collisions in all IPs
7th April	Betatron squeeze to 2 m in IP1 and IP5



What you can do with a few MJ

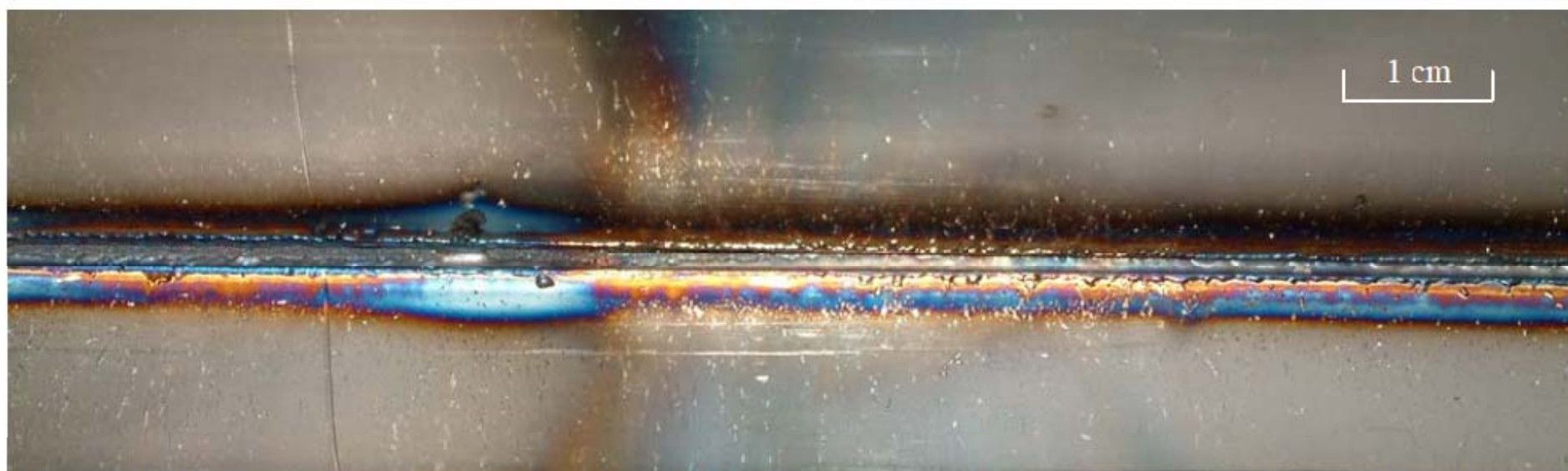
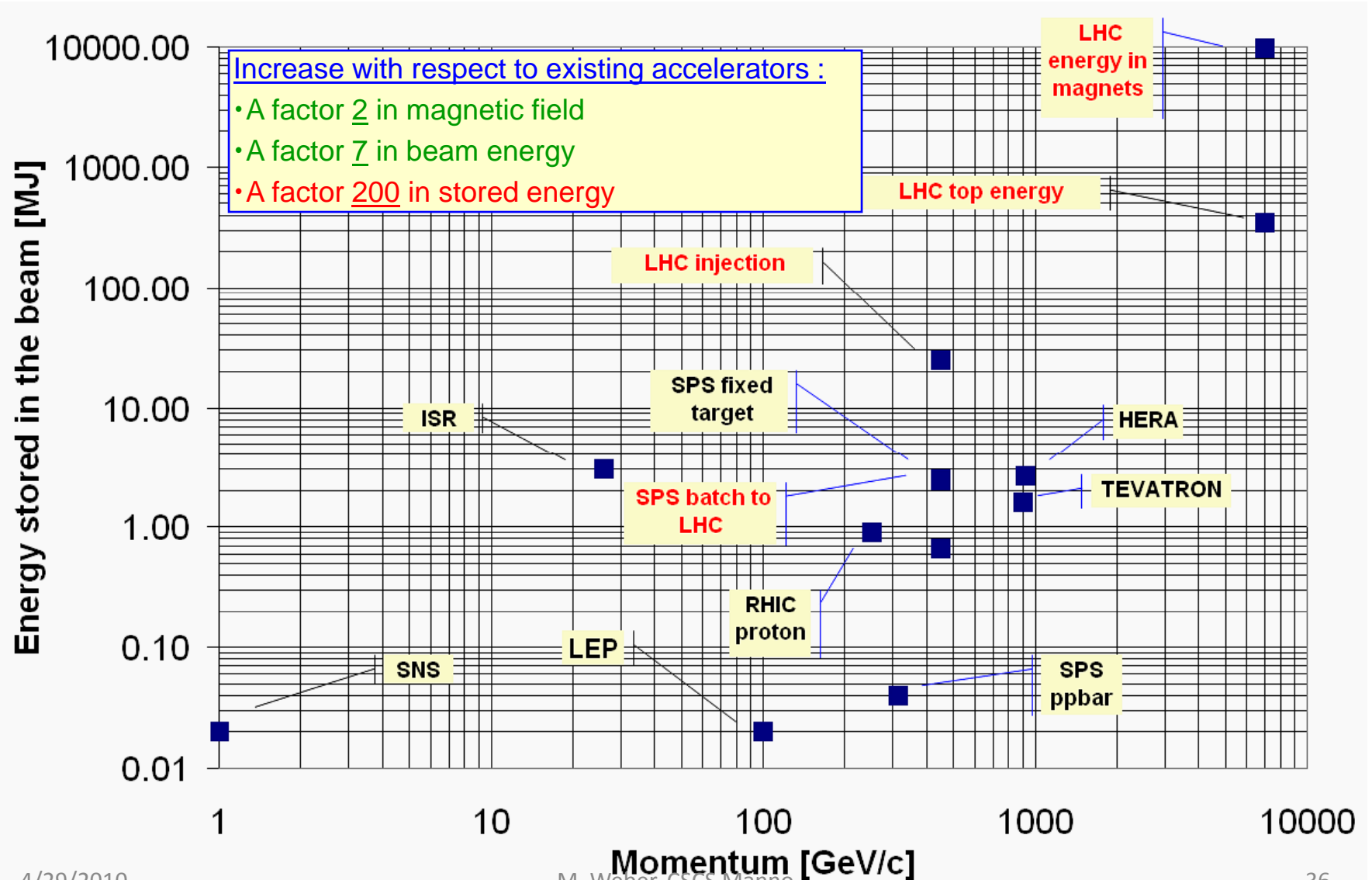


Figure 4. Damage observed on the inside of the vacuum chamber, on the beam impact side. A groove approximately 110 cm long due to removed material was clearly visible, starting at about 30 cm from the entrance.

The stored energy challenge

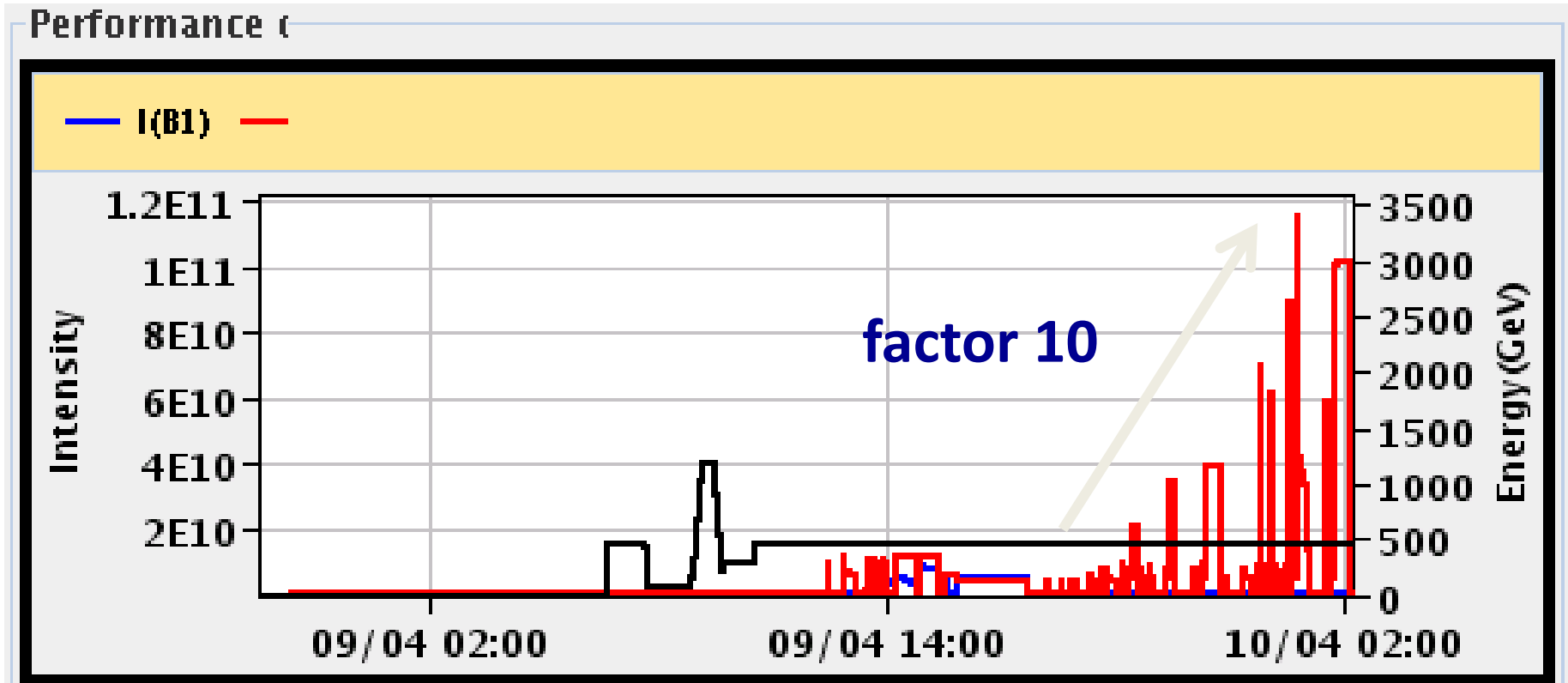


Total design energy stored in one beam at 7 TeV: 362 MJoule



- 1 Proton = 1 Mosquito
- The energy of one ball (5 kg) at 800 km/hour corresponds to the energy stored in one bunch at 7 TeV
- The design is to have 2808 bunches
- Factor 200 compared to HERA, TEVATRON and SPS

Increasing bunch intensity



Major success for the LHC:

**Nominal bunch charge at 450 GeV!
25 hours beam lifetime!**

Goals for 2010-2011

2009		2010			2011	
Repair of Sector 34	1.18 TeV	nQPS 6kA	3.5 TeV $I_{\text{safe}} < I < 0.2 I_{\text{nom}}$ $\beta^* \sim 2 \text{ m}$	Ions	3.5 TeV $\sim 0.2 I_{\text{nom}}$ $\beta^* \sim 2 \text{ m}$	Ions
No Beam	B		Beam		Beam	

- **Goal (ambitious!) :**
collect 1 fb^{-1} of data/exp at 3.5 TeV/beam
- To achieve such this goal the LHC must operate in 2011 with
 - about 700 bunches of 10^8 p/bunch
 - (stored energy of $\sim 30 \text{ MJ}$ – 10% of nominal)
- **Need:**
 - **Strict and clean machine setup.**
 - **Machine protection systems at near nominal performance**

Summary

- Large hadron Collider
- Largest, hottest, coolest, emptiest, most complex machine
- It works ! Need to carefully increase the intensity
- Goal: 1 fb^{-1} of data to each experiment in 2010/2011 (in the order of 400 days at 300 MB/s)

