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1st LHC Machine-Experiments  
Joint Workshop  
on  
Luminosity Measurements at  
the LHC

# Luminosity monitoring at the LHC

- Luminosity  $L$  is defined by:

$$N_{\text{int}} = L \cdot \sigma$$

Where  $N_{\text{int}}$  is the **Interaction rate** for the process with cross-section  $\sigma$

(Counting rate in a monitor is  $N_{\text{int}} \cdot \text{acceptance}$ )

# Luminosity in terms of machine parameters

$$L = \frac{N^2 \cdot k_b \cdot f \cdot \gamma}{4 \cdot \pi \cdot \epsilon_n \cdot \beta^*} F$$

$N$  = number of protons per bunch

$k_b$  = circulating bunches

$f$  = revolution frequency,

$\beta^*$  is the betatron function at the collision point,

$\epsilon_n$  the normalised emittance

$\gamma$  the Lorentz factor  $E/m_0 c^2$

$F$  a reduction factor for crossing angle

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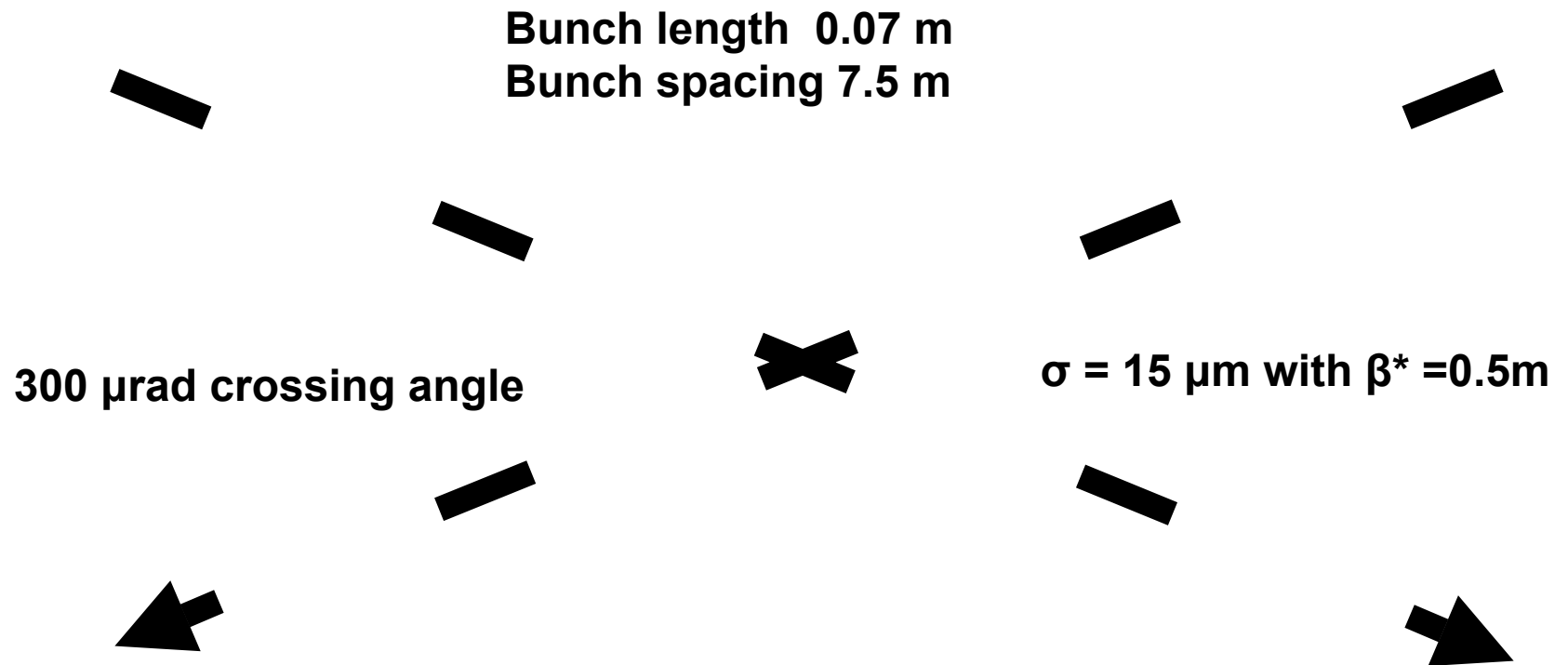
# LHC has two magnetic rings

Two differing beams which **do not collide**

Luminosity proportional to  $I^2 \cdot 1/x_{\text{eff}} \cdot 1/y_{\text{eff}}$

Where  $1/x_{\text{eff}}$  and  $1/y_{\text{eff}}$  include not only the beam transverse sizes but also the overlap functions of the two beams.

# Colliding beams at the LHC



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# Bringing the beams into collision

- The BPMS will not be sufficiently accurate
- A systematic scan in both transverse dimensions will be needed to maximise the collision rate

Primary use of the LHC luminometer

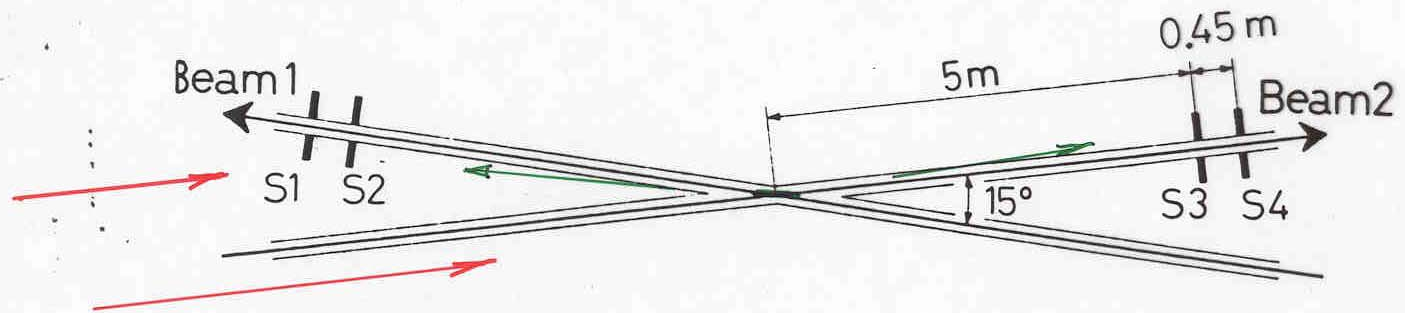
# Keeping the beams in collision

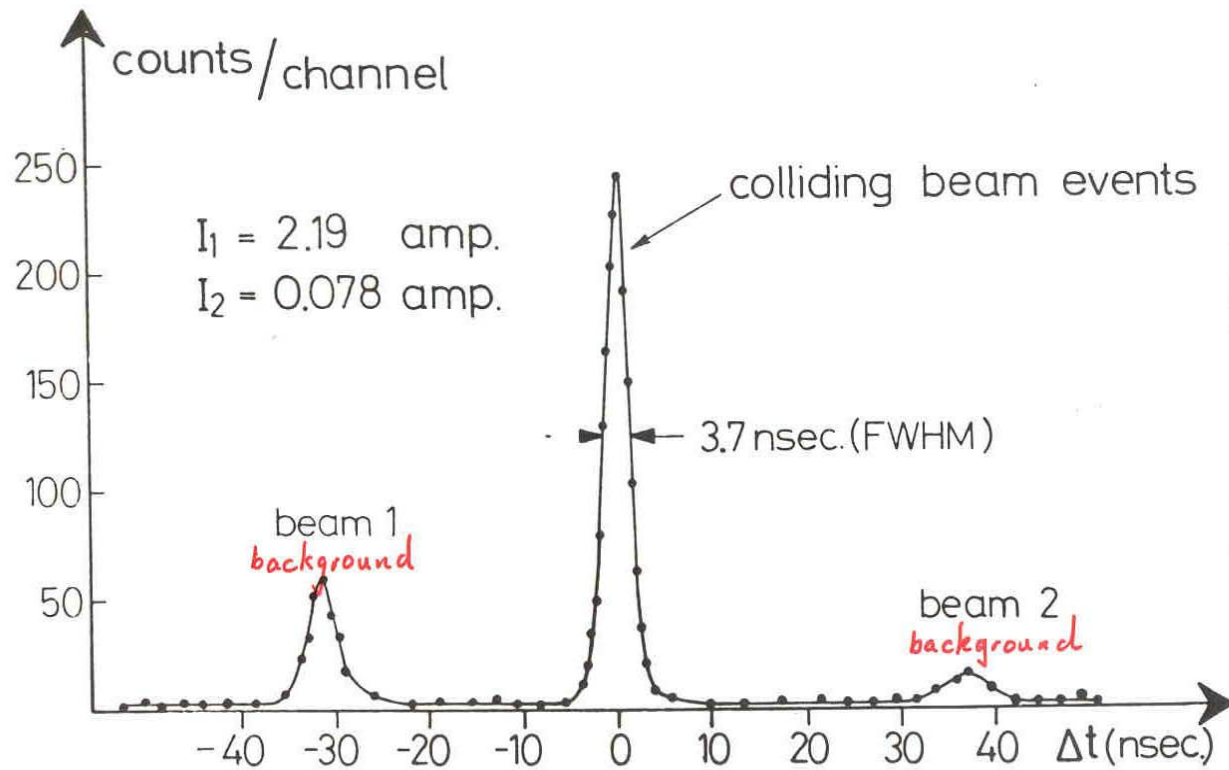
- With  $\beta^* = 0.5 \text{ m}$   $\sigma = 15 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$
- Orbit drifts during a run may reduce the integrated luminosity and need correcting
- Note that a  $5 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$  shift of Q1 relative to Q3 drops the collision rate by 20%

# Rapid and background free

- In order to be able to bring beams into collision rapidly a high rate monitor is needed.
- which must be background free under a wide range of conditions.
- Bunch to bunch luminosity is needed to control 'pacman' bunches.
- A dynamic range of 1 to 25 interactions per bunch crossing (40 MHz) is required.







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# Experiments require absolute luminosity $\text{cm}^{-2}.\text{s}^{-1}$

- Use a calculable and identifiable process ?
- TOTEM will measure the total cross-section with the luminosity independent method and hence can calibrate interaction rate monitors in IR5 at  $L = 10^{28}.\text{cm}^{-2}.\text{s}^{-1}$ .  
What application to other experiments?
- Use the Van der Meer method ?

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# The Van der Meer method

- Interaction rate as a function of beam separation

$$h_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\text{Area under the distribution}}{\text{counting rate}}$$

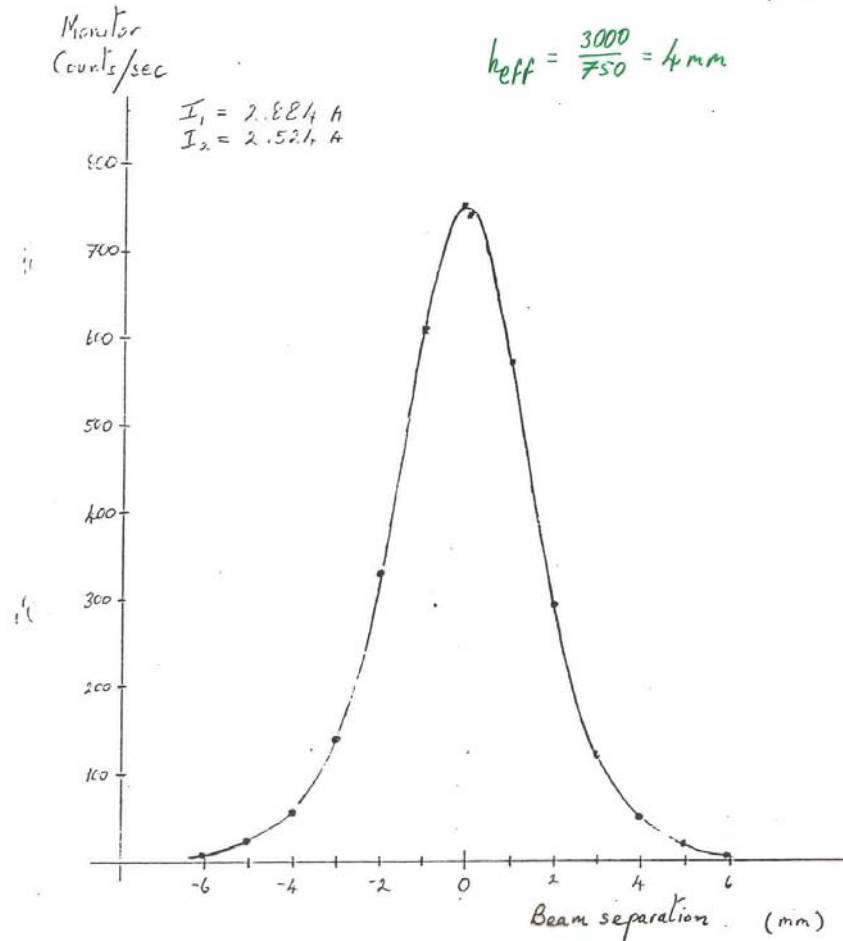
- At the ISR a single scan determined the absolute luminosity to 1%
- The LHC needs two orthogonal scans ( $X_{\text{eff}}, Y_{\text{eff}}$ )
- What precision is possible under what conditions?

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Area under curve = 3000 counts. $\text{mm}^2\text{s}^{-1}$

At  $h=0$  rate = 750 counts/sec

$$h_{\text{eff}} = \frac{3000}{750} = 4 \text{ mm}$$



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# Conclusion

- The best interaction rate monitor for efficient machine operation is unlikely to provide the best absolute luminosity monitor
- The machine and experiments need to work together
- There is still plenty of work to do