



Luminosity measurements

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Collider Physics
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Luminosity @ LHC

How to measure cross sections ...

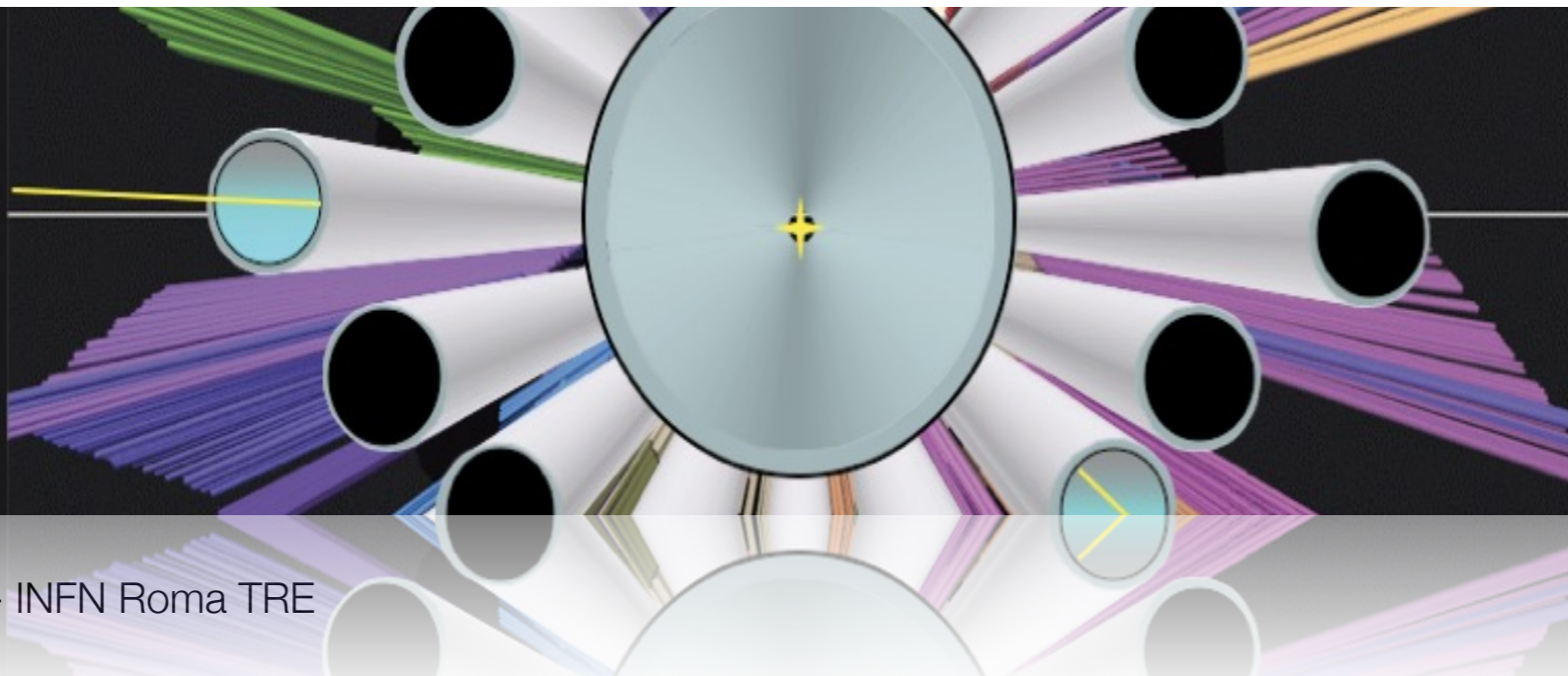
event rate (integrated # events)

Cross section

$$N = L \times \sigma \quad (\text{also } R = \sigma \cdot \mathcal{L})$$

L : not only conversion factor ($\sigma=N/L$) but also monitoring

Luminosity
(Machine parameter)





\mathcal{L} : Measurements and Monitoring

We have to distinguish between

- Absolute measurements of Luminosity

Van der Meer scan (compute luminosity using beam parameters, a few times per year)

Low angle measurements (measure cross section and normalise to luminosity)(difficult, not precise enough → monitoring?)

- Monitoring of Luminosity

Any detector sensitive to intensity of beams (tracking, calorimeters, continuous measurements during time)

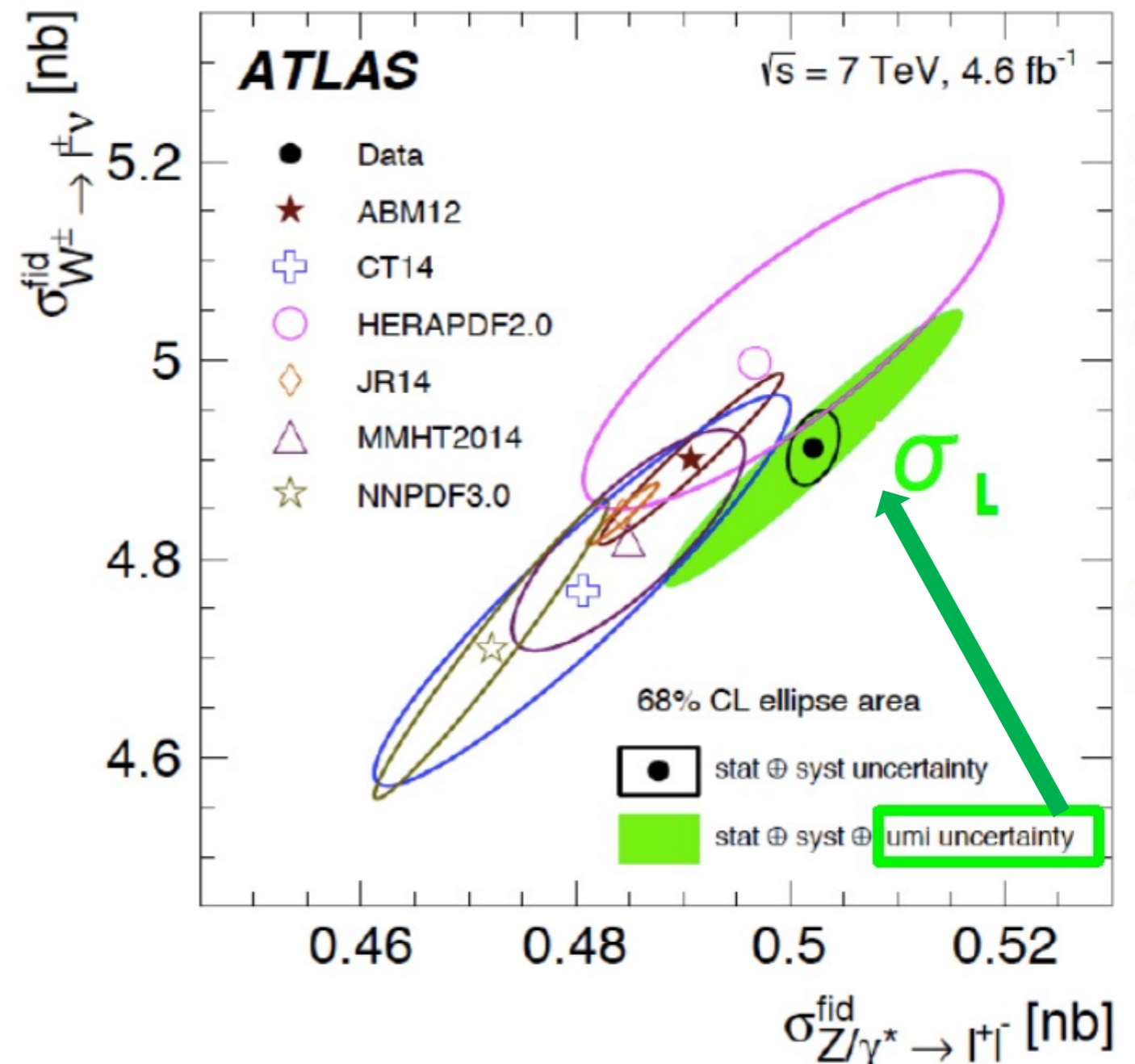
The second indicator has to be normalised to the absolute value of the luminosity → extrapolation



Instantaneous & Integrated Luminosity

Experiments MUST provide **highly precise** luminosity measurements:

- **Instantaneous L -> online for machine monitoring:** LHC performance and operation (luminosity levelling, beam monitoring...). Needed precision: 3-5% or better
- **Integrated L -> offline for physics:** precise cross section measurements, SM test, new physics (theory often limited by PDF uncertainty, aim to have lower luminosity uncertainty to better constrain PDFs'). Needed precision: below 2%, ideally 1%



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Luminosity Measurements: basic

$\sigma \rightarrow R(t)$ rate of events

$$R(t) = \mathcal{L}(t) \cdot \sigma$$

$$\mathcal{L}(t) = R(t)/\sigma$$

$$N = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} R(t) dt$$

$$L = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \mathcal{L}(t) dt$$

$$\sigma = R(t)/\mathcal{L}(t)$$

$$\sigma = N/L$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{R}{\sigma} = \frac{\mu n_b f_r}{\sigma_{inel}} = \frac{\epsilon \mu n_b f_r}{\epsilon \sigma_{inel}} = \frac{\mu_{vis} n_b f_r}{\sigma_{vis}}$$

μ = number of inelastic pp collisions per bunch crossing

n_b = number of colliding bunch pairs

f_r = LHC revolution frequency (11245 Hz)

σ_{inel} = total inelastic pp cross-section (~80 mb at 13 TeV)

ϵ = acceptance and efficiency of luminosity detector

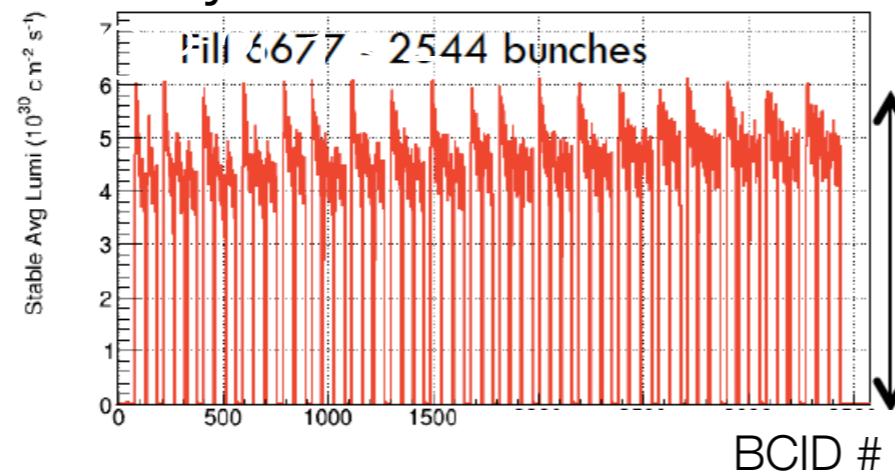
μ_{vis} = number of visible (= detected) collisions per bunch crossing

σ_{vis} = visible cross-section = luminosity calibration constant

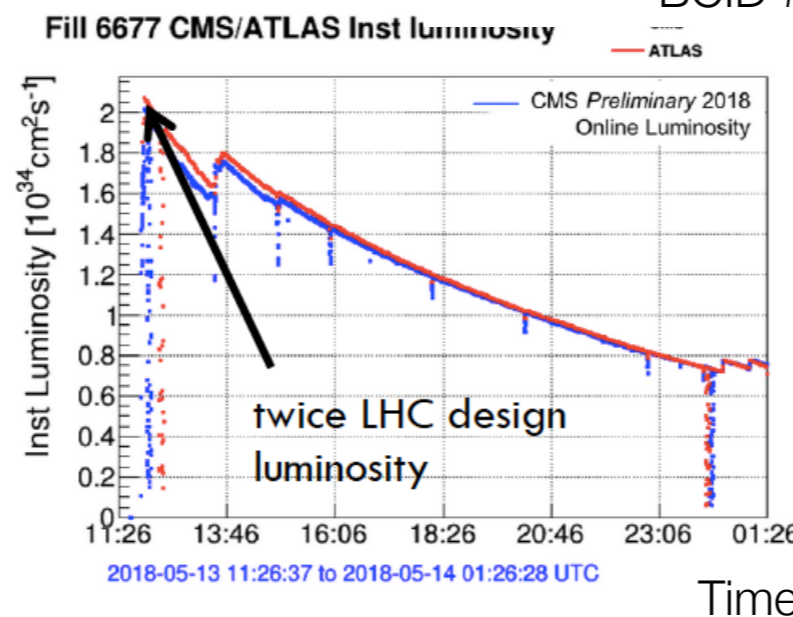


The Devil is in the Details

- Absolute scale from beam-separation scans: vdM method, complemented by the luminous-region evolution (beam-beam imaging scans)
- **Evaluation of linearity over four orders of magnitude in luminosity**
- Stability throughout the year → redundancy between luminometers
- All other source of systematics



**Bunch-by-bunch
luminosity**



**Bunch-integrated
luminosity over fill
(about 12 hours)**



How to measure luminosity

1. Measure machine parameters → Direct bunch shape and intensity measurements

– Van der Meer scan (VdM)

ALICE, ATLAS, CMS, LHCb

– Beam-Gas-Imaging (BGI)

LHCb

~real option for now

2. Use processes with known cross section.

ATLAS with ALFA,
CMS with TOTEM

Near future

$$N = L \sigma \rightarrow L = N / \sigma$$

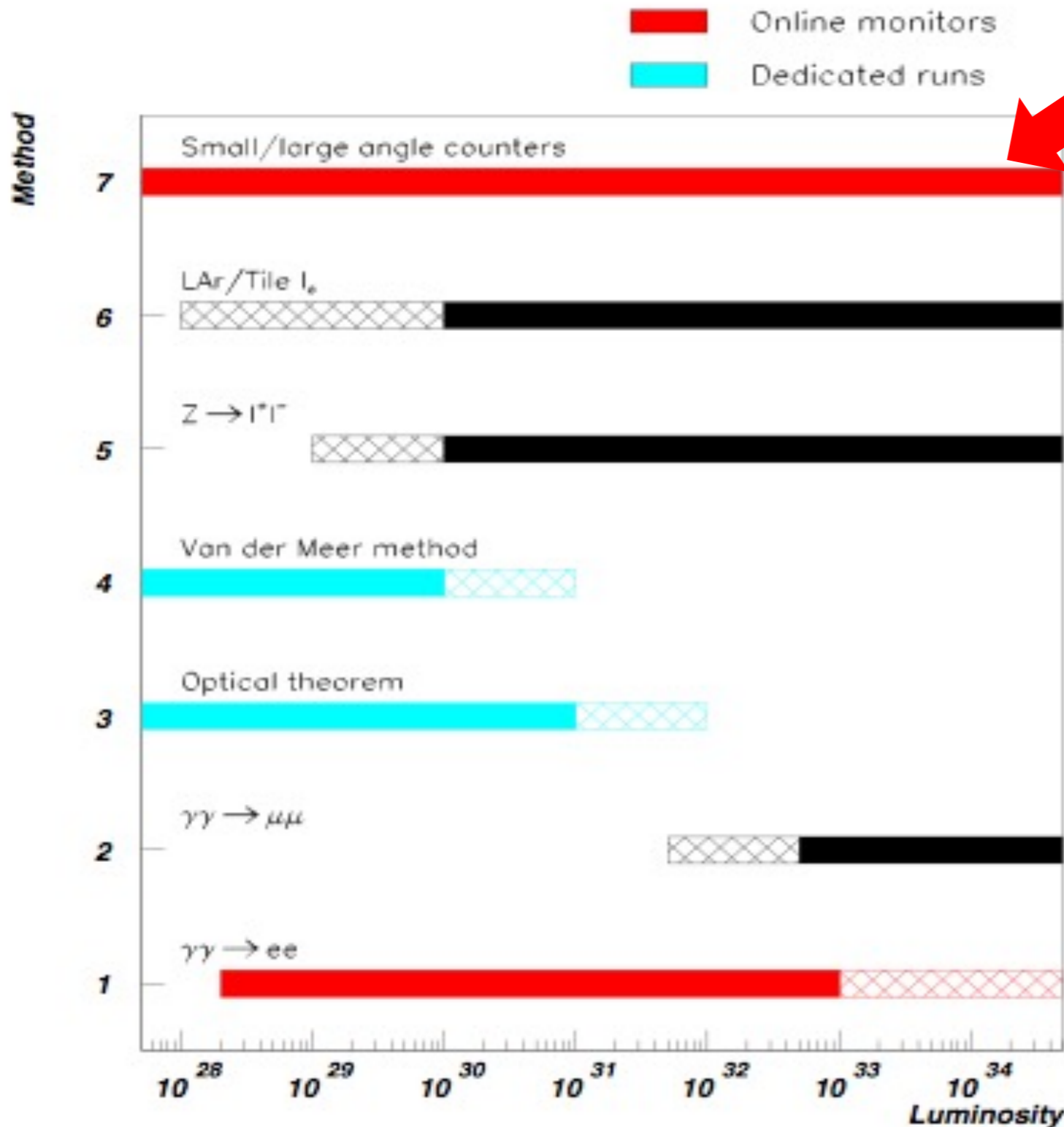
- Forward scattering at very low angles based on optical theorem
- Cross-calibration of luminosity detectors

... and to monitor it with time

use of tracking detectors & calorimeters



Luminosity Determination at the LHC (history)



ATLAS with ALFA,
CMS with TOTEM

Methods as
summarized in ATLAS TDR

[ATLAS Technical Design Report, Vol. I]

Red \rightarrow Monitors
Light blue \rightarrow Measurements



ATLAS Luminosity Detectors

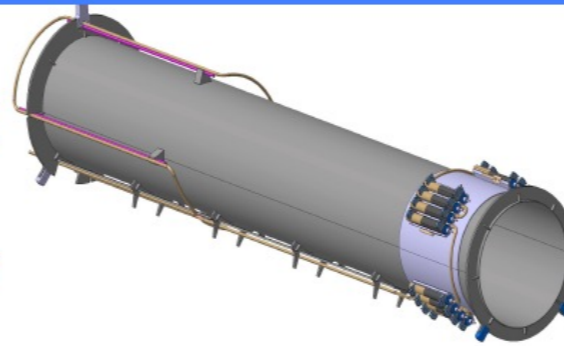
Online measurements

Beam Condition Monitor (BCM)



Event counting

Luminosity measurement using a Cherenkov Integrating Detector (LUCID)



- **online** and **offline** measurements
- event/hit counting (aka zero-counting, based on Poisson statistics)

ATLAS-preferred for Run 2: LUCID

Offline measurements

TimePix (TPX)

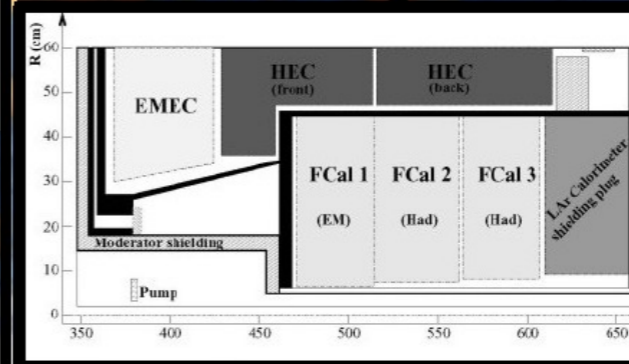
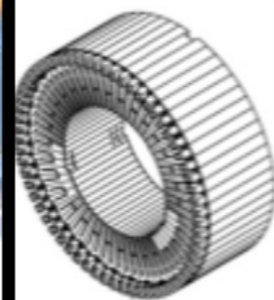


Hit counting

+ Z counting (relative-L checks)

+ Track counting (+ Vertex counting)

Hadronic Cal. (TILE)



Particle flux algorithms

- EM:
 - Forward Calorimeter (FCAL)
 - EndCap Calorimeter (EMEC)



CMS Luminosity Detectors

Online measurements

Pixel Luminosity Telescope (PLT)



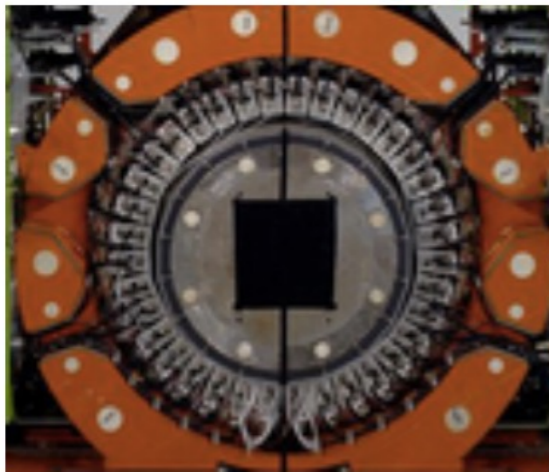
Event counting

Fast Beam Condition Monitor (BCM1F)



Hit counting

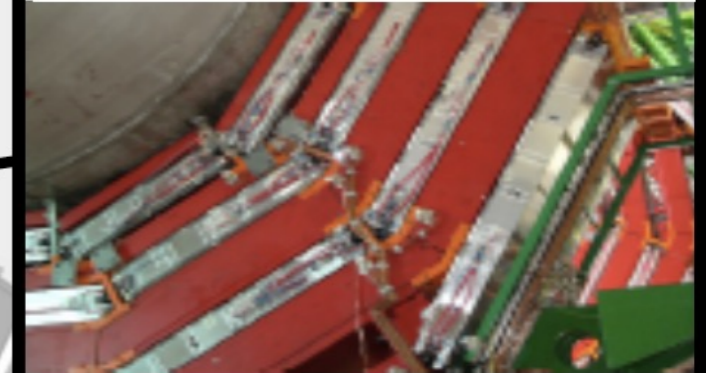
Hadron Forward Calorimeter (HF)



HFOC: hit counting
HFET: E_T flow

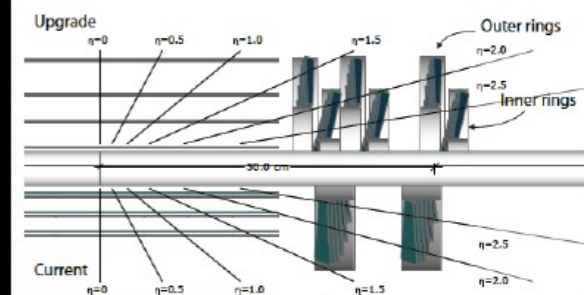
Offline measurements

Muon Drift Tubes (DT)



Rate of muon tracklet trigger primitives

Silicon Pixel Detector



Pixel Cluster Counting (PCC)

2015/2016 based on: PCC
2017 based on: HFET
(complemented with: PCC)



Cross Section & Luminosity

Vocabulary: efficiency ε is fraction of reconstructed objects measured by a detector; acceptance fraction of instrumented solid angle

Number of observed events

just count ...

Background

measured from data or calculated from theory

$$N = L \times \sigma$$

$$\sigma = \frac{N^{\text{obs}} - N^{\text{bkg}}}{\int \mathcal{L} dt \cdot \varepsilon \cdot A}$$

Efficiency

many factors, optimized by experimentalist

Luminosity

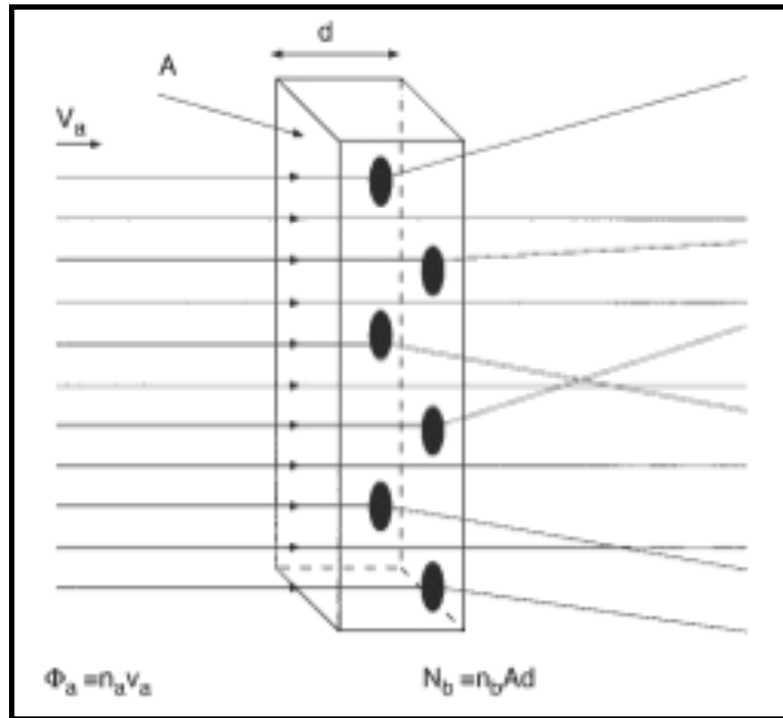
determined by accelerator, triggers, ...

But also acceptance: correct for the fact all detectors are not full coverage

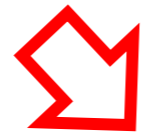


Cross Section & Luminosity

Colliders



Instantaneous Luminosity



rate of events $\dot{N} \equiv L \cdot \sigma$

$$N = \sigma \cdot \underbrace{\int L dt}_{\text{integrated luminosity}} \quad \sigma = N/L$$

integrated luminosity

Collider experiment:

$$\Phi_a = \frac{\dot{N}_a}{A} = \frac{N_a \cdot n \cdot v/U}{A} = \frac{N_a \cdot n \cdot f}{A}$$

$$L = f \frac{n N_a N_b}{A} = f \frac{n N_a N_b}{4\pi \sigma_x \sigma_y}$$

σ_x, σ_y : not well known

$$\Phi_a = \frac{\dot{N}_a}{A} = n_a v_a$$

Φ_a : flux
 n_a : density of particle beam
 v_a : velocity of beam particles

$$\dot{N} = \Phi_a \cdot N_b \cdot \sigma_b$$

N : reaction rate
 N_b : target particles within beam area
 σ_a : effective area of single scattering center

$$L = \Phi_a \cdot N_b$$

L : luminosity

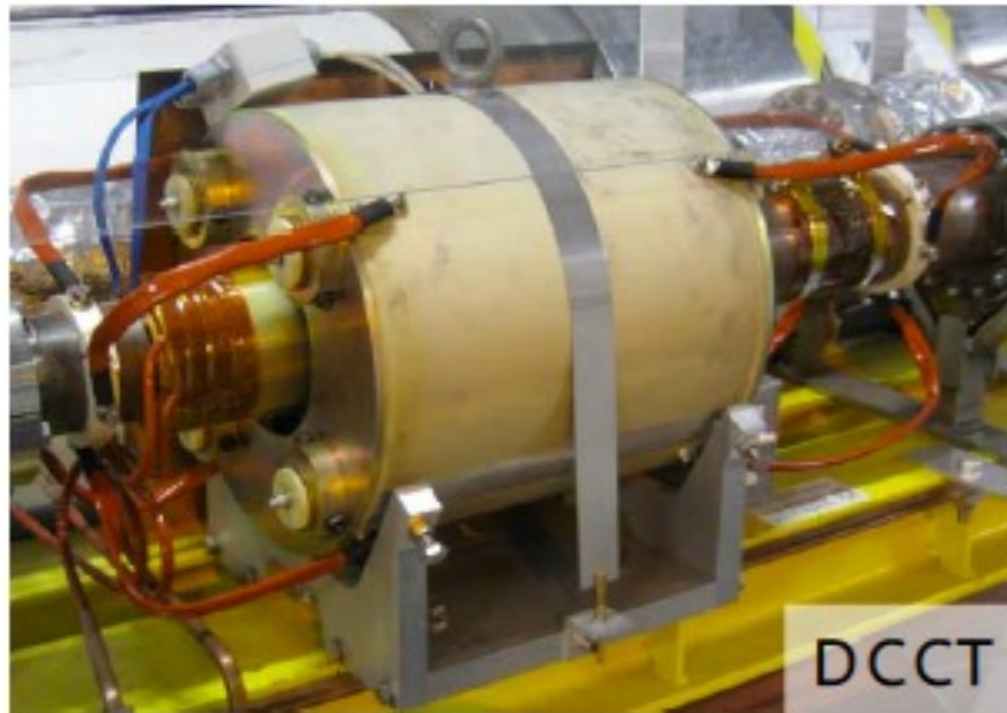
LHC:

- $N_x \sim 10^{11}$
- $A \sim .0005 \text{ mm}^2$
- $n \sim 2800$
- $f \sim 11 \text{ kHz}$
- $L \sim 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- N_a : number of particles per bunch (beam A)
- N_b : number of particles per bunch (beam B)
- U : circumference of ring
- n : number of bunches per beam
- v : velocity of beam particles
- f : revolution frequency
- A : beam cross-section
- σ_x : standard deviation of beam profile in x
- σ_y : standard deviation of beam profile in y

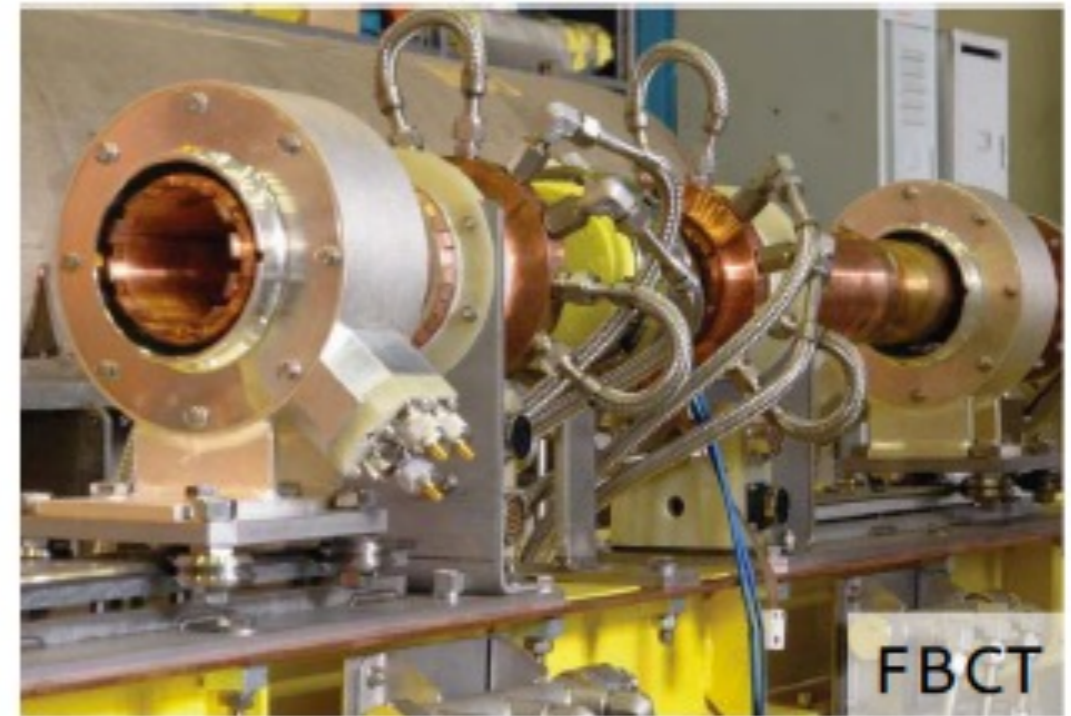
Measuring beam populations $\rightarrow N_1 N_2$

DC Current Transformer



- total current measurement with high accuracy
- two in each beam

Fast Beam Current Transformer



- bunch-by-bunch current measurement
- two in each beam

bunch

- Relative fraction of total current in each BCID from FBCT
- Normalization to overall current scale provided by DCCT

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CERN-ATS-Note-2012-028
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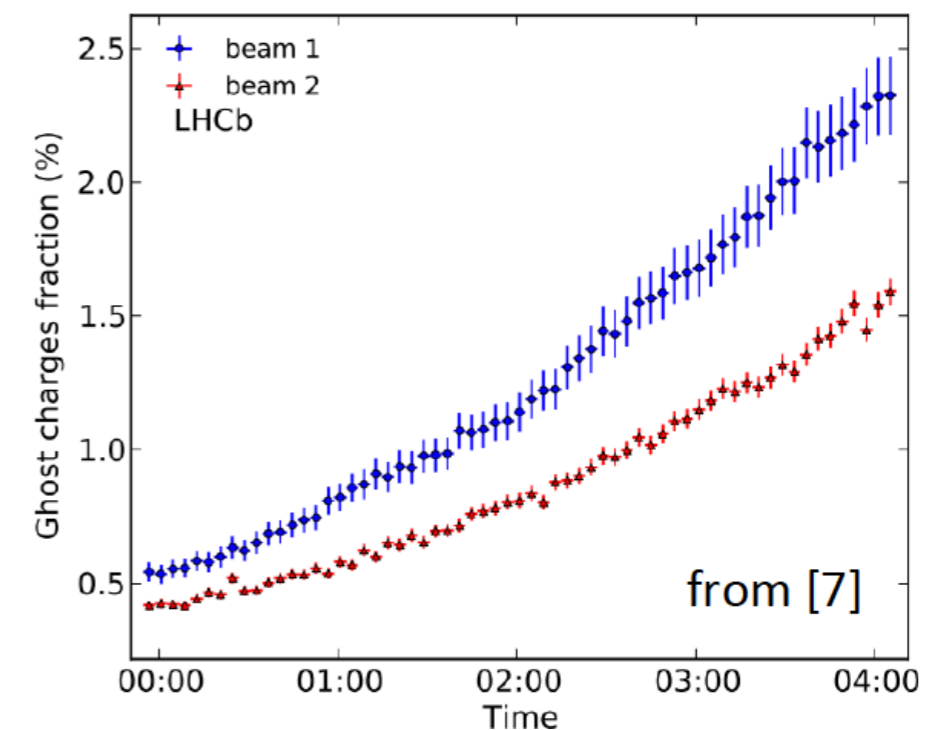
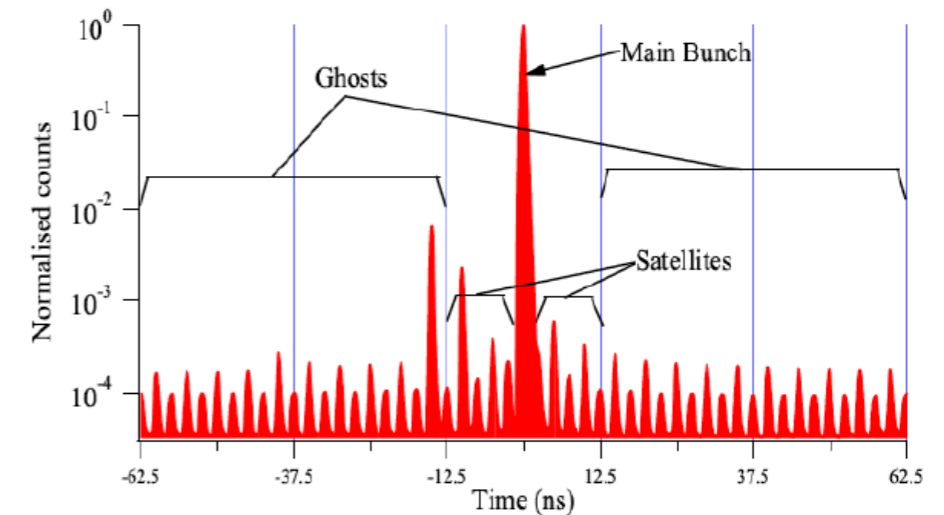
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Bunch current measurements

- Currents are crucial input to VdM scan analysis
 - DC Beam Current Transformer (DCCT)
 - **total** circulating charges
 - Fast Beam Current Transformer (FBCT)
 - **fraction** of charge in each bunch
 - In 2010 uncertainty on bunch current product (10%) dominated luminosity uncertainty, due to major effort this uncertainty is well below **0.5% today [13]**
- Corrections for ghost and satellite bunches
 - Fill dependent, but typically < 1%
 - Measured with various methods
 - Synchrotron radiation by LDM (for satellite bunches) [6]
 - BGI in LHCb VELO with SMOG (for ghost charge) [7]

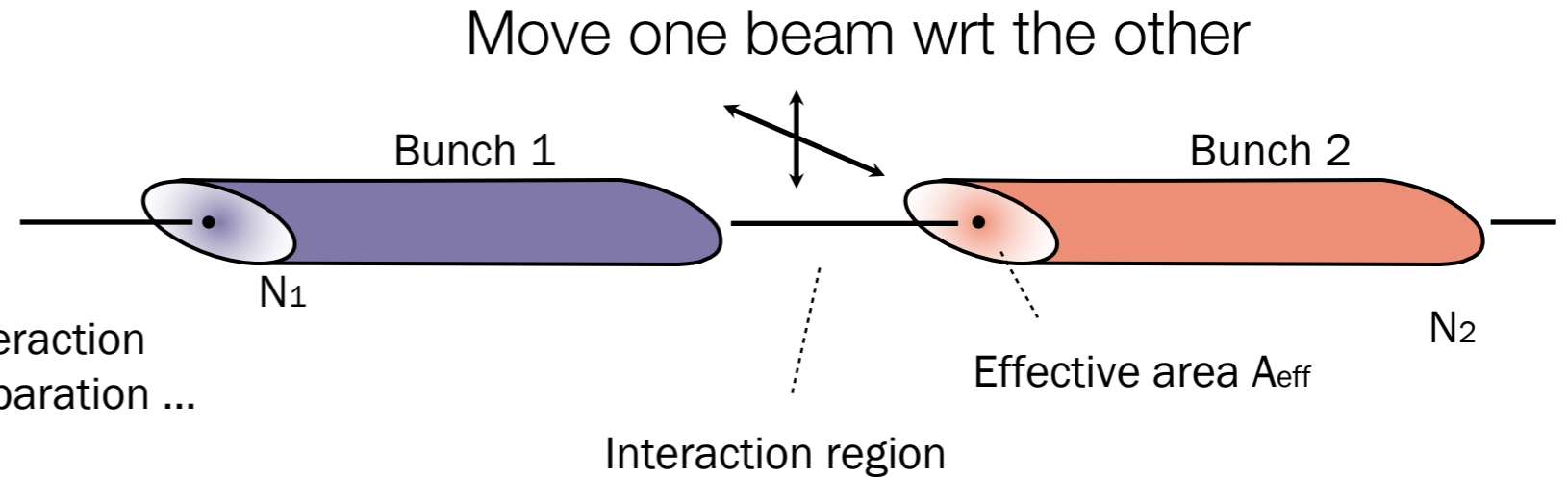




Van-der-Meer Separation Scan $\rightarrow \sigma_x, \sigma_y$

Determine beam size ...

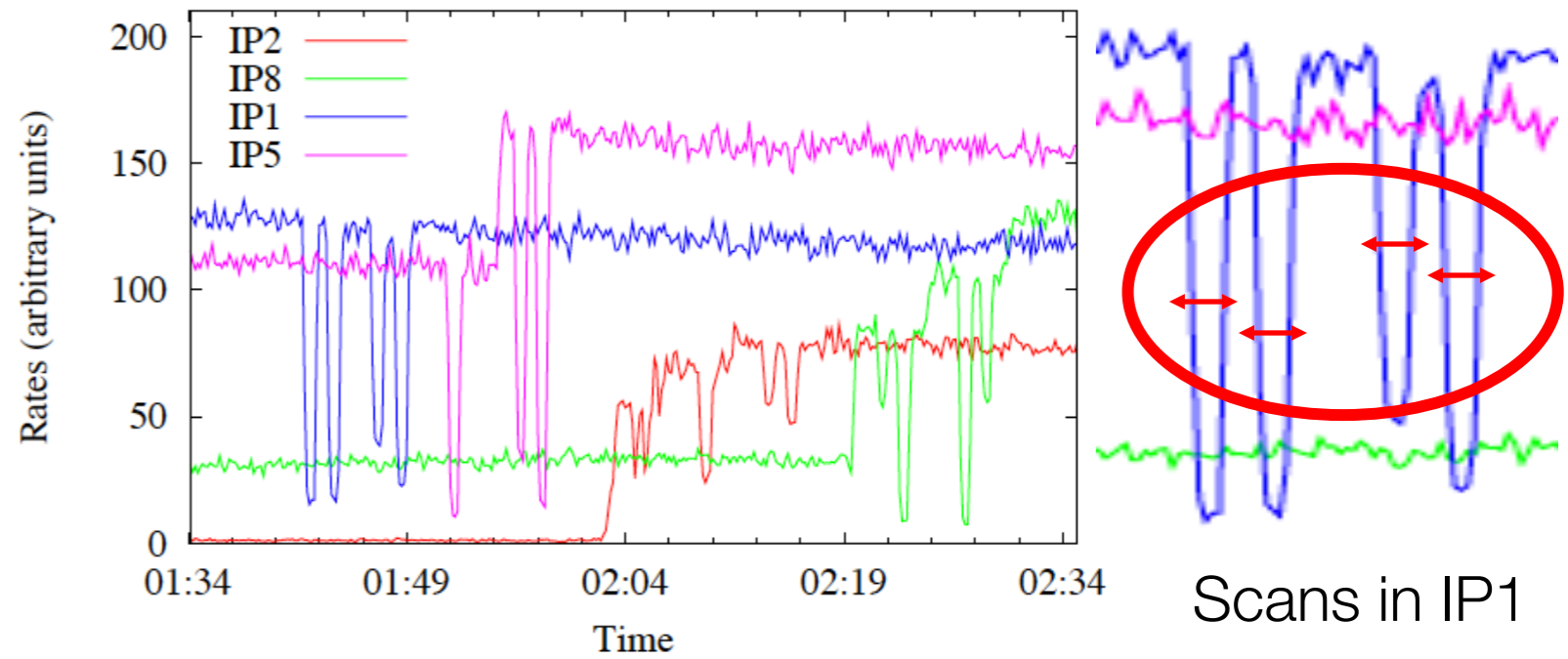
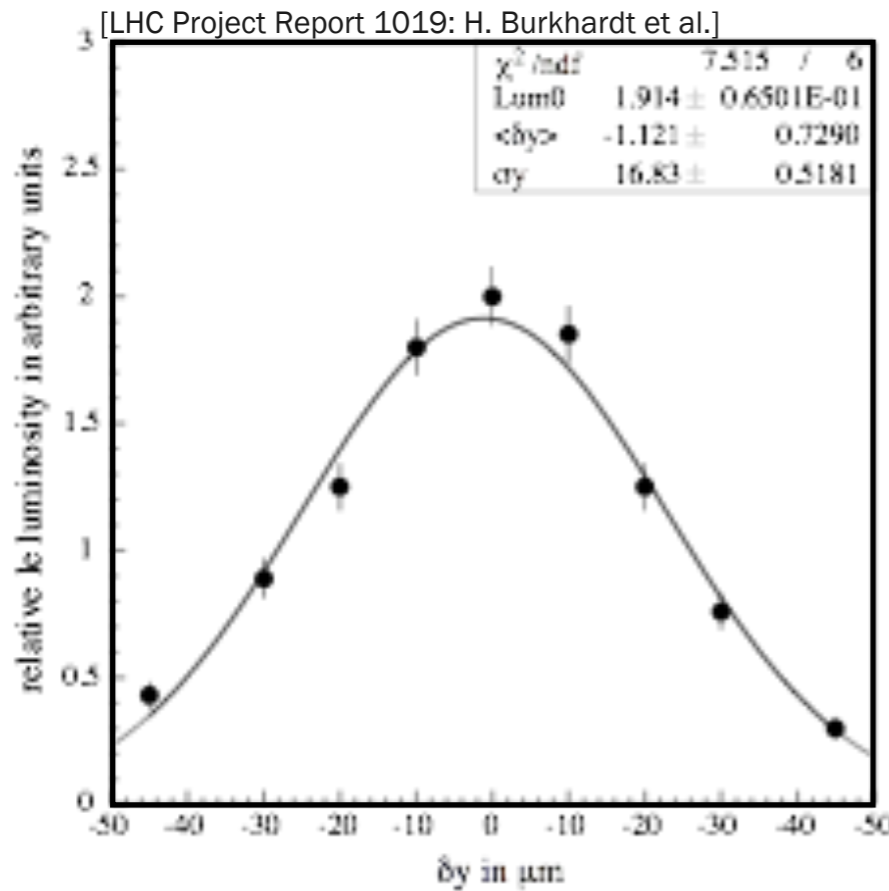
measuring size and shape of the interaction region by recording relative interaction rates as a function of transverse beam separation ...



Assumption: the two beams have the same profile!

[IPAC 2010, S. White et al.]

[November 2009].



Scans in IP1

$$\frac{L}{L_0} = \exp \left[- \left(\frac{\delta_x}{2\sigma_x} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\delta_y}{2\sigma_y} \right)^2 \right]$$

Figure 2: Optimization scans performed for squeezed optics in all IPs.

at Hadron Colliders



$\sigma_x \sigma_y$ of the beam : factorability!

Assumption: factorization of beam density function: $\mathcal{L}(\delta_x, \delta_y) = f_x(\delta_x) \cdot f_y(\delta_y)$

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \frac{N_1 N_2 f N_b}{2\pi \sqrt{(\sigma_{1x}^2 + \sigma_{2x}^2)(\sigma_{1y}^2 + \sigma_{2y}^2)}}$$

Factorizability

$$\sigma_u = \sqrt{\sigma_{1u}^2 + \sigma_{2u}^2} \text{ with } u = x, y :$$

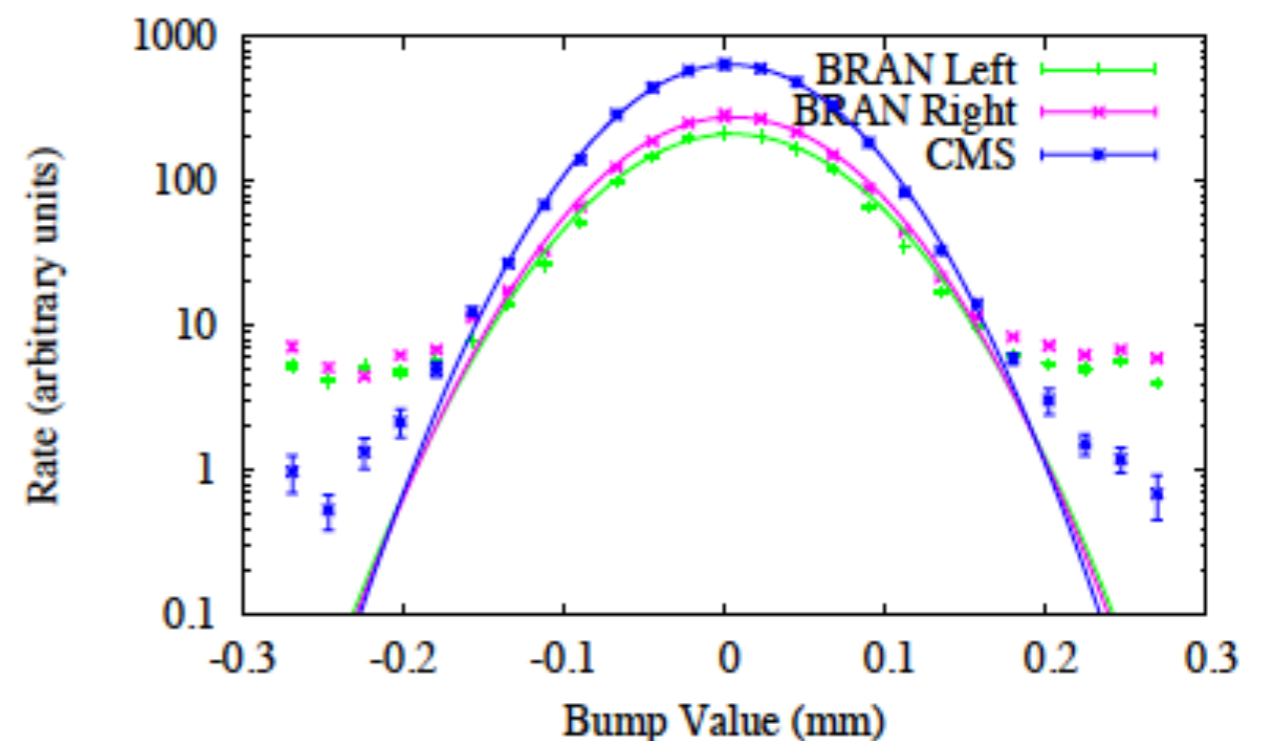
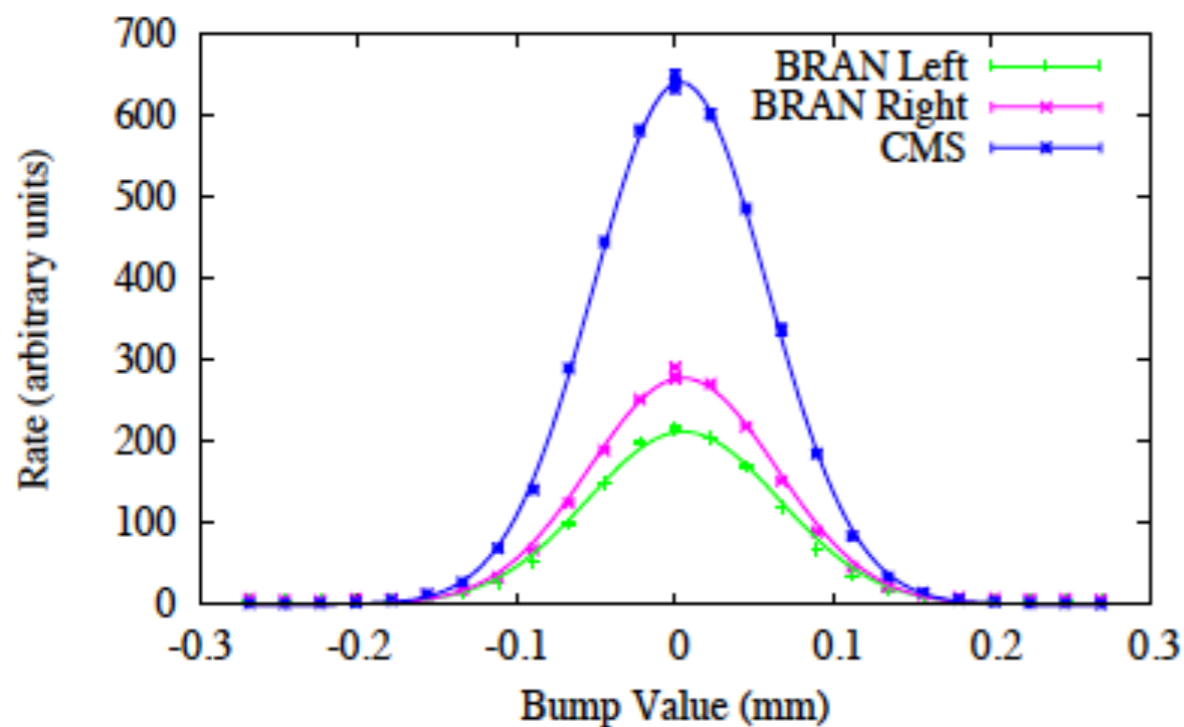
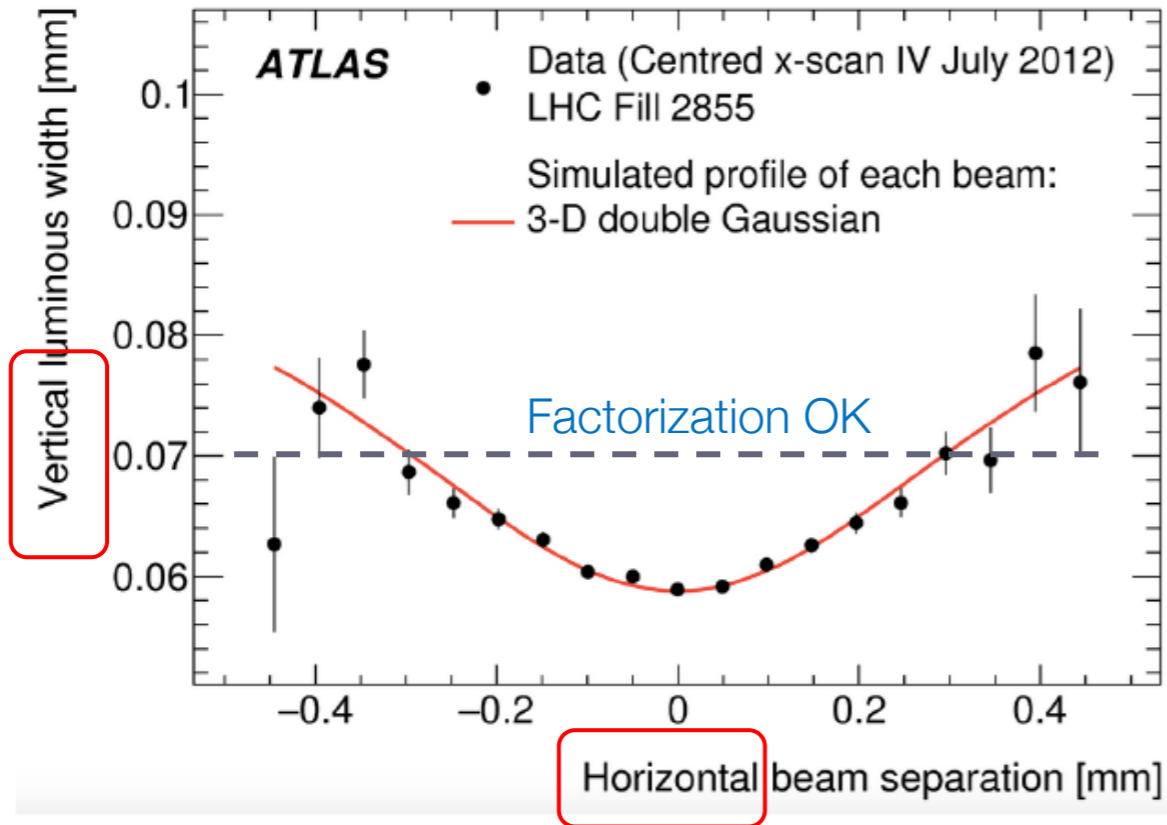


Figure 4: Same horizontal scan in IP5 shown in logarithmic scale with pure Gaussian fits.



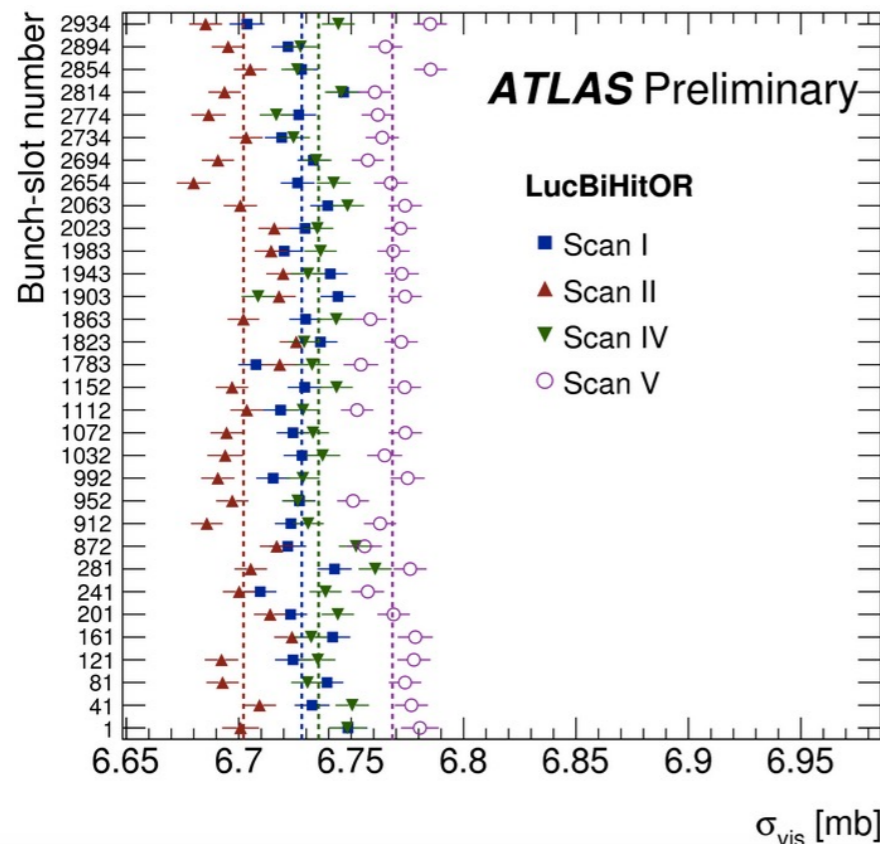
Systematic effects



Factorization

Signature of non-factorization effects: dependence of vertical convolved beam size and/or vertical luminous width on horizontal separation (and vice-versa).

- CMS in 2017: $0.8 \pm 0.8 \%$
- ATLAS in 2017: $0.2 \pm 0.2 \%$

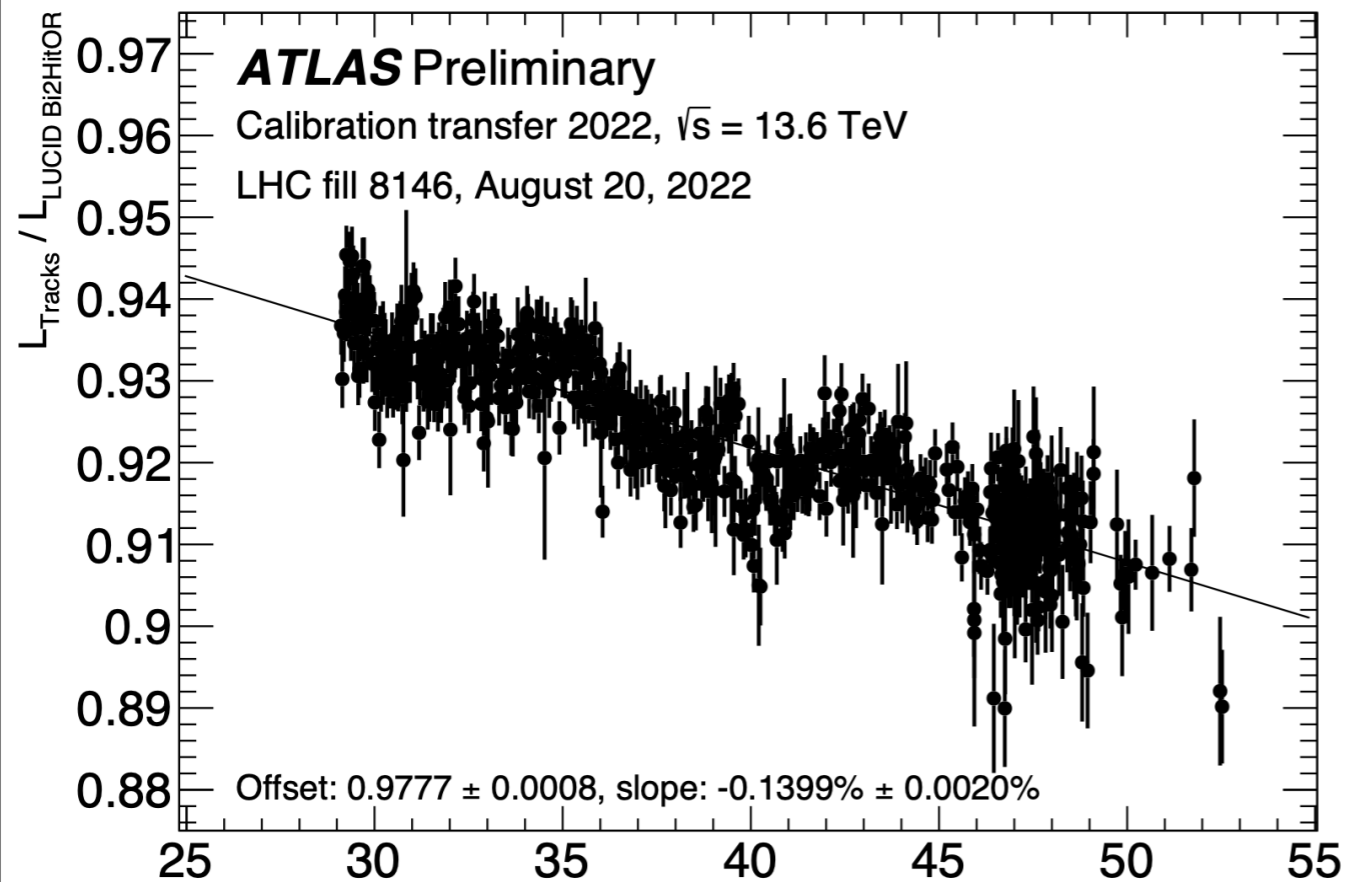


Scan-to-scan reproducibility of vdM calibration:

- § CMS in 2017: $\pm 0.9 \%$
- § ATLAS in 2017: $\pm 1.2 \%$



Extrapolating the VdM Luminosity



Extrapolation depends on

- Number of bunches
- Number of superimposed interactions

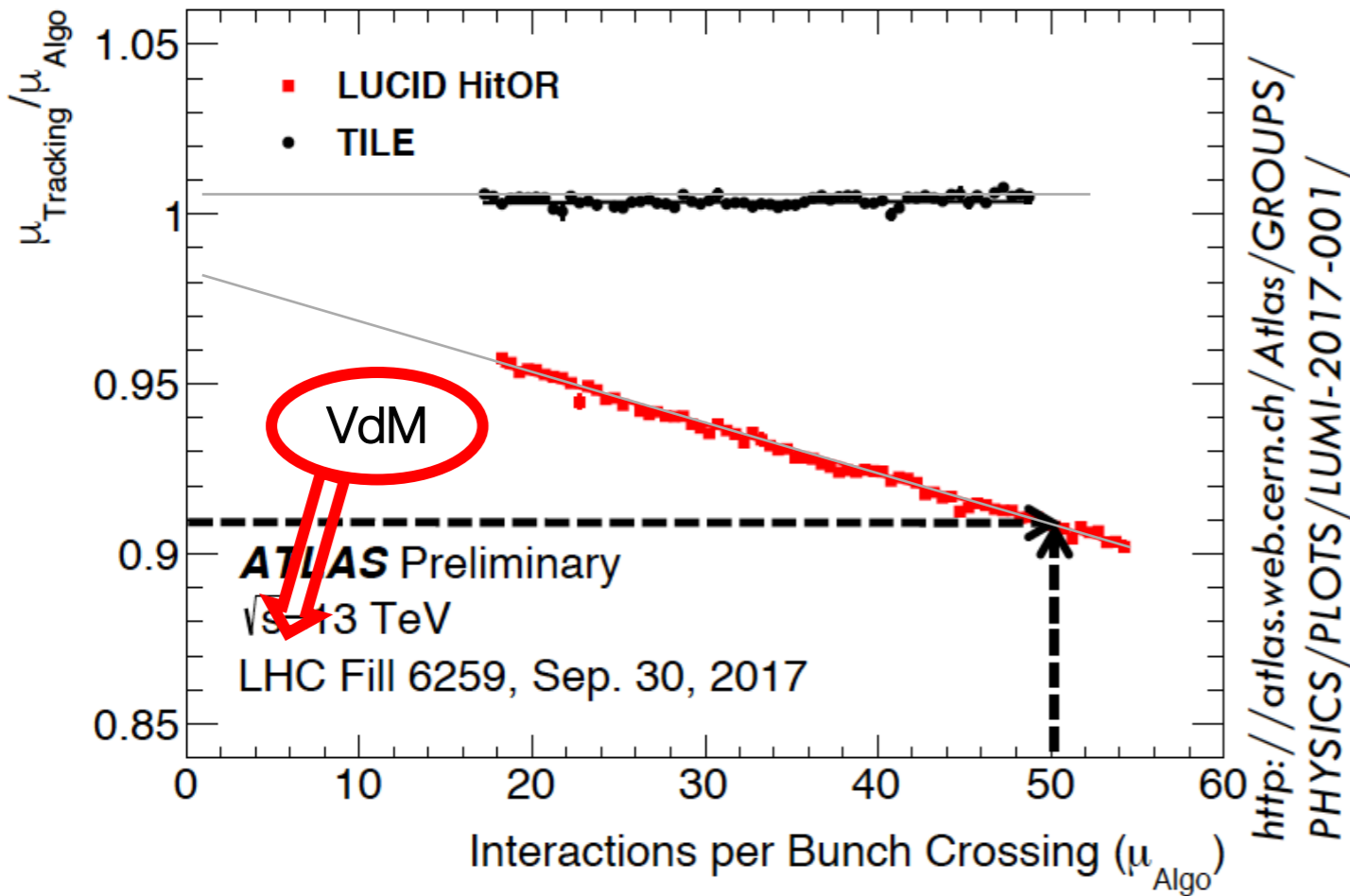
Extrapolation of luminosity calibration	Used cell families	Range of shifts across used cell families
1-step extrapolation		
$(\mu \approx 0.5, 140b, \text{isolated}) \rightarrow (\mu \approx 40, 1154b, \text{trains})$	A13, A14	[-0.1, 0.8]%
Alternative: 2-step extrapolation		
$(\mu \approx 0.5, 140b, \text{isolated}) \rightarrow (\mu \approx 45, 144b, \text{trains})$	A13, A14, E3, E4	[0.1, 0.7]%
$(\mu \approx 45, 144b, \text{trains}) \rightarrow (\mu \approx 40, 1154b, \text{trains}) (*)$	A13, A14	[0.0, 0.4]%
Combined 2-step extrapolation		[0.1, 1.1]%
Upper limit on extrapolation impact (rounded)		< 1%
Effect of missing laser corrections (linearly added)	A14	0.5%
Upper limit on total extrapolation impact		< 1.5%

1 step extrapolation: # bunches & μ

2 steps extrapolation:

bunches first and then μ

Calibration Transfer



- **Van der Meer scan** (low L, low μ , few bunches far apart)
- **Physics** (high L, high μ , more than 2000 bunches in trains of 25 ns)

Q: how to extrapolate ?

A: tracking luminosity (\sim #tracks) is not (or very little) sensitive to bunches and pile-up.

Non-linearity correction from Tracking

ATLAS: typical **correction @ $\mu = 50$** for LUCID hit counting in 2017: **- 9%**

Systematic uncertainty evaluated by comparing with calorimeter-based correction in 2017: **$\pm 1.3\%$**

CMS: Non-linearity correction from emittance-scan analysis (i.e. "absolute")

typical **correction @ $\mu = 50$** for HFET in 2017: **1.5 %**

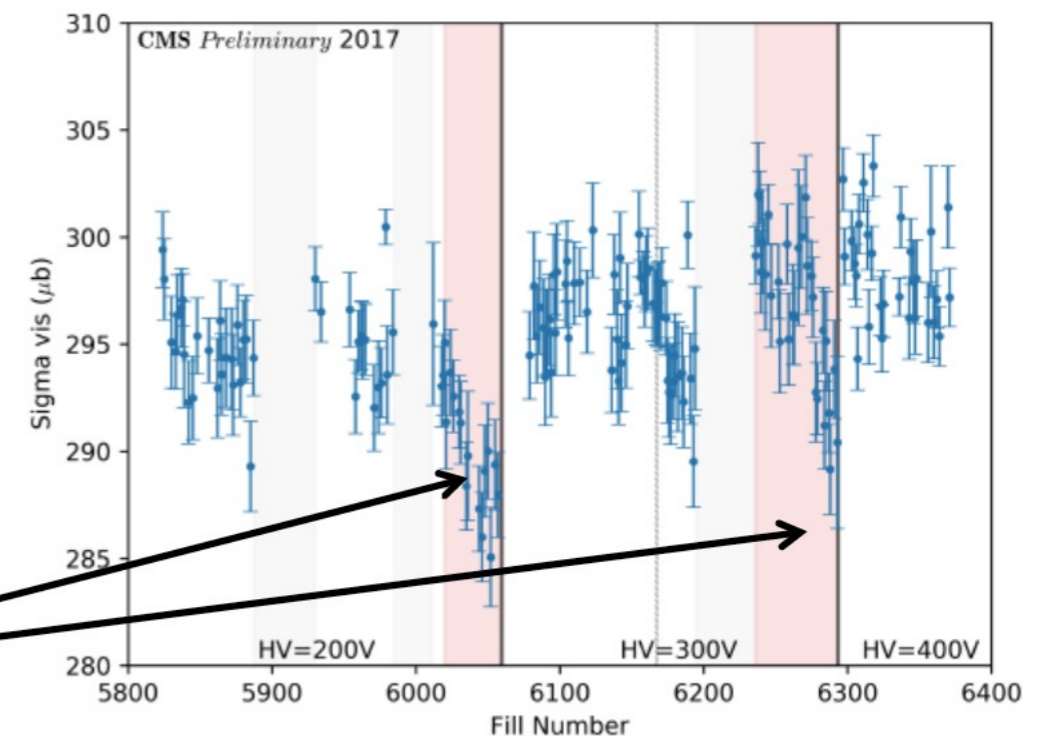
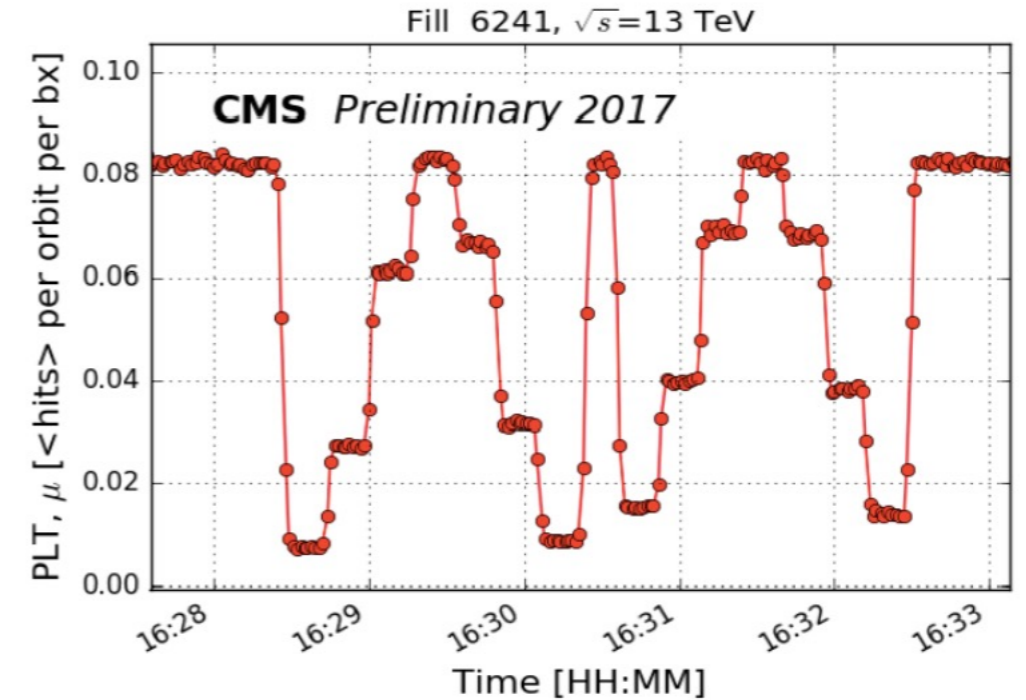
Systematic uncertainty evaluated by comparing residual relative non-linearity of luminometers on 2017: **$\pm 1.5\%$**



CMS: VdM-like scans

Short vdM-like scans performed at the beginning and at the end of LHC fills in standard physics conditions:

- Beams scanned in X and Y planes in 7/9 displacement steps of 10s/point;
- Lower level of precision than vdM scan due to: limited scanning range (insensitive to tails), possible non factorization biases (different bunch-production mode), beam dynamics effects (e.g. beam-beam effects)
- useful for relative measurements



Detector effects



Some details on the bunch structure...2

- One LHC bunch is a sum of ‘buckets’ 1–1.5 ns long
- Ideally, all particles should be contained within the nominally filled bunches;
- Experience: **correct to about 1–2%** (for LHC p beams and about 5% for LHC Pb)

Luminosity needs the total bunch populations of the two rings:

- Nominal bunches (main)
- **satellite bunches**
- **ghost charge.**

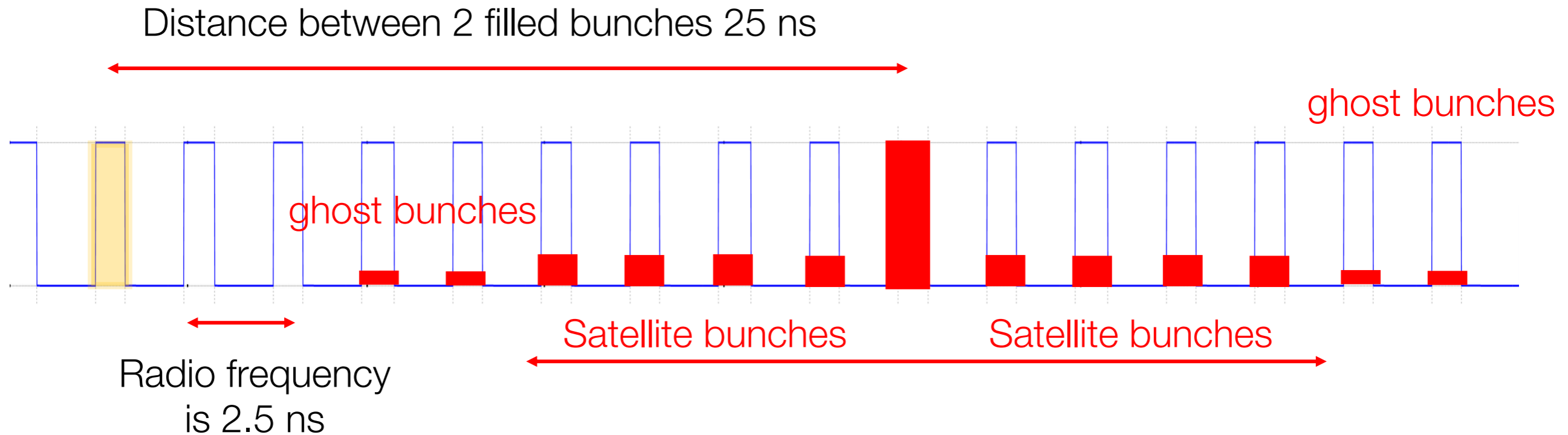
The total beam population of beam $j = 1$ or 2 (measured with the DCCTs [3]) is assumed to be the sum of the following components

$$N_{tot}^{j=1,2} = N_{main}^{j=1,2} + N_{ghost}^{j=1,2} + N_{pilot}^{j=1,2}$$

where $N_{main, j}$ is the charge of all slots nominally filled with a high intensity bunch (a ‘main’ bunch), $N_{ghost, j}$ is the ghost charge and $N_{pilots, j}$ the charge of all slots containing a ‘pilot’ bunch (not used in all fills, see below). In our definition, **the term $N_{main, j}$ is what is needed to determine the scale of the cross section, after correcting for the effects of satellite bunches.**



Bunch structure of LHC



The particles of an LHC bunch are contained within a bucket 1–1.5 ns long. Ideally, all particles should be contained within the nominally filled RF bins. Experience has shown that this is typically correct to an accuracy of about 1–2%

In the phase of filling beams also *pilot* bunches are injected to check the orbit of a fill

$$N_{tot}^{j=1,2} = N_{main}^{j=1,2} + N_{ghost}^{j=1,2} + N_{pilot}^{j=1,2}, j = beam\#$$



VdM scans in ATLAS

Table 2 Summary of the main characteristics of the 2010 and 2011 *vdM* scans performed at the ATLAS interaction point. Scan directions are indicated by “H” for horizontal and “V” for vertical. The values of luminosity/bunch and μ are given for zero beam separation.

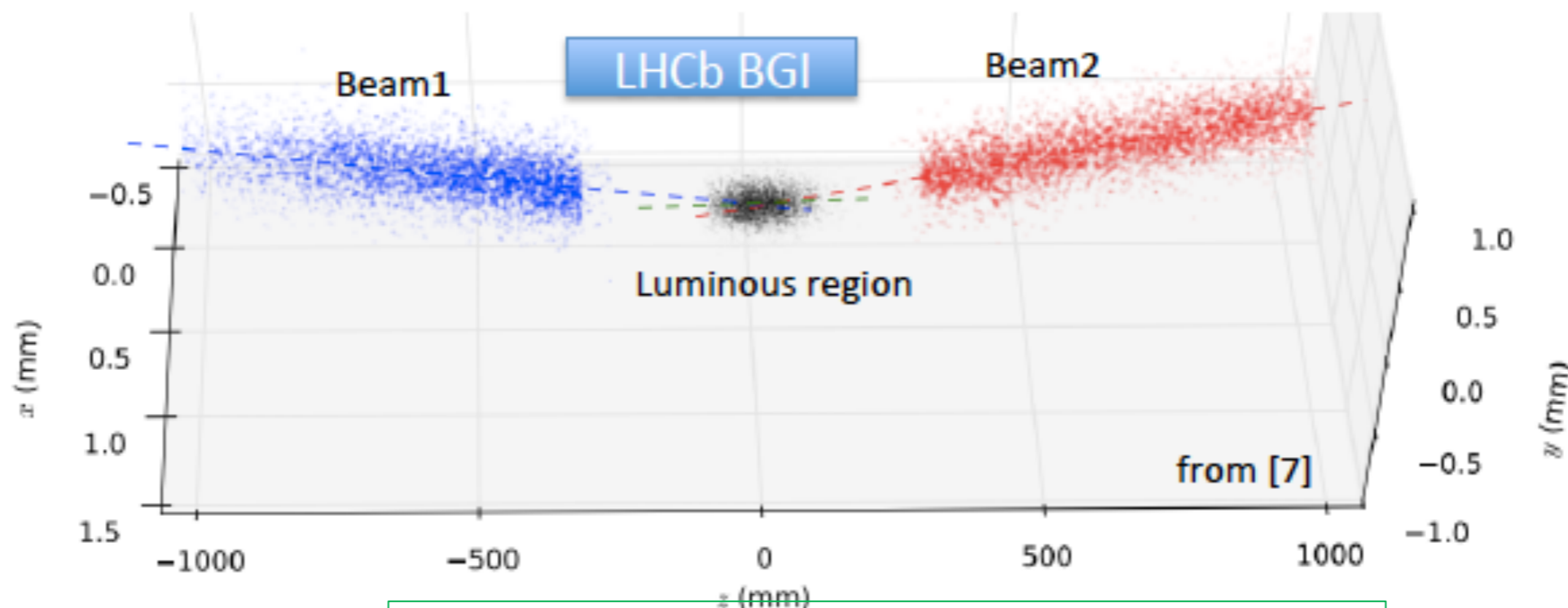
Scan Number	I	II–III	IV–V	VII–IX
LHC Fill Number	1059	1089	1386	1783
Date	26 Apr., 2010	9 May, 2010	1 Oct., 2010	15 May, 2011
Scan Directions	1 H scan followed by 1 V scan	2 H scans followed by 2 V scans	2 sets of H plus V scans	3 sets of H plus V scans (scan IX offset)
Total Scan Steps per Plane	27 ($\pm 6\sigma_b$)	27 ($\pm 6\sigma_b$)	25 ($\pm 6\sigma_b$)	25 ($\pm 6\sigma_b$)
Scan Duration per Step	30 s	30 s	20 s	20 s
Bunches colliding in ATLAS & CMS	1	1	6	14
Total number of bunches per beam	2	2	19	38
Typical number of protons per bunch ($\times 10^{11}$)	0.1	0.2	0.9	0.8
Nominal β -function at IP [β^*] (m)	2	2	3.5	1.5
Approx. transverse single beam size σ_b (μm)	45	45	57	40
Nominal half crossing angle (μrad)	0	0	+100	+120
Typical luminosity/bunch ($\mu\text{b}^{-1}/\text{s}$)	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.8 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.22	0.38
μ (interactions/crossing)	0.03	0.11	1.3	2.3

Low luminosity runs, clean measurement



An alternative approach: BGI

- **Beam-Gas imaging** (pioneered by LHCb) [1]
 - Reconstruct interaction vertices of protons with residual gas
 - Infer beam shape near interaction point (IP) and extrapolate to IP
- **Combination** of Beam-Gas and Beam-Beam vertices
 - **Simultaneous fit** to individual beam and luminous region shapes **yields beam overlap integral and then luminosity**
 - Beams do **not need to be moved** (hence no beam-beam corrections, etc.)
 - Overall calibration uncertainty dominated by vertex resolution
 - Several important systematic uncertainties are **independent** from VdM scan analysis



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The direction of tracks (forward backward)
→ vertices to a beam 1 or 2.

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Physics at Hadron Colliders



Uncertainties - 1

- Only a selection of the most important systematic uncertainties is listed in the following

Calibration uncertainties	VdM scan	BGI
<p>Key assumption: factorization of bunch proton density function</p> $\mathcal{L}(\delta_x, \delta_y) = f_x(\delta_x) f_y(\delta_y)$	Scan curve model	Bunch shape model (accounts for factorizability)
	Factorizability	
	Beam-Beam effects	Vertexing resolution
	Orbit drifts	Detector alignment & crossing angle
	Reproducibility	
Calibration transfer uncertainties from low \mathcal{L} calibration to high \mathcal{L} physics	μ -dependence	
	Radiation effects	
Monitoring uncertainty	Long-term stability	





Snapshot of Luminosities uncertainties

Parts of table reproduced from [11]

	ALICE	ATLAS	CMS	LHCb
Running period	2013	2011	2012	2012
Sqrt(s) [TeV]	5.02	7	8	8
Running mode	Pb-p	p-p	p-p	p-p
Reference	[8]	[9]	[10]	In the process of being made publicly available
Absolute calibration method	VdM	VdM	VdM	VdM + BGI *
$\Delta\sigma_{vis}/\sigma_{vis}$ [%]	2.8	1.53	2.3	1.12
μ-dependence [%]	1.0	0.50	<0.1	0.17
Long-term stability [%]		0.70	1.0	0.22
Subtraction of luminosity backgrounds [%]		0.20	0.5	0.13
Other luminosity-dependent effects [%]		0.25	0.5	-
Total luminosity uncertainty [%]	3.0	1.8	2.6	1.2

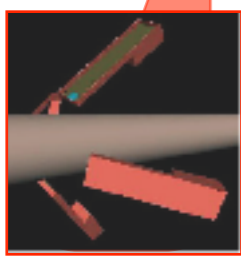
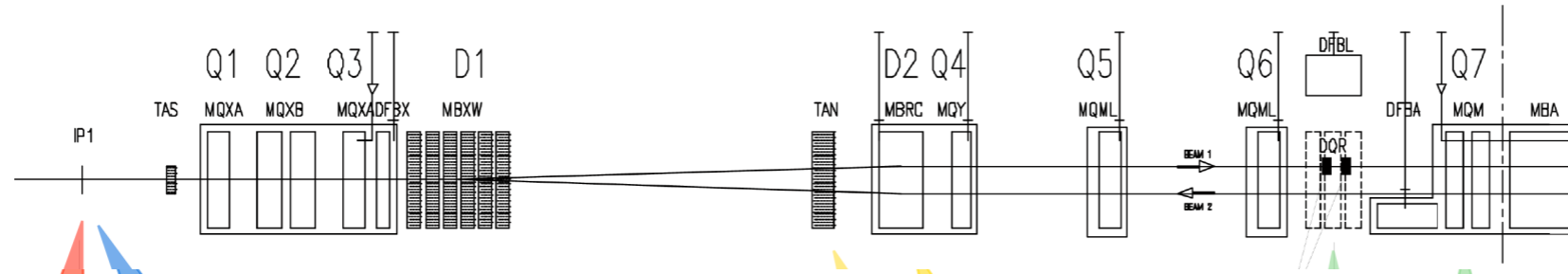
*uncertainties of both methods almost equal in size

This snapshot represents a selection of the latest luminosity calibration results publicly available



Luminosity (monitoring) via Forward Scattering

The more forward you go → the more events you have → lower stat error



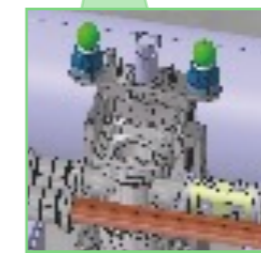
BCM
[Beam Condition Monitor]
Diamond sensors
at $z = \pm 184$ cm
4 modules per side



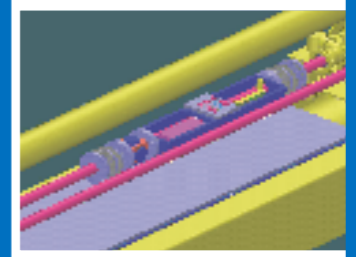
LUCID
[Luminosity Monitor]
Cherenkov gas tubes,
at ~17 m from IP.



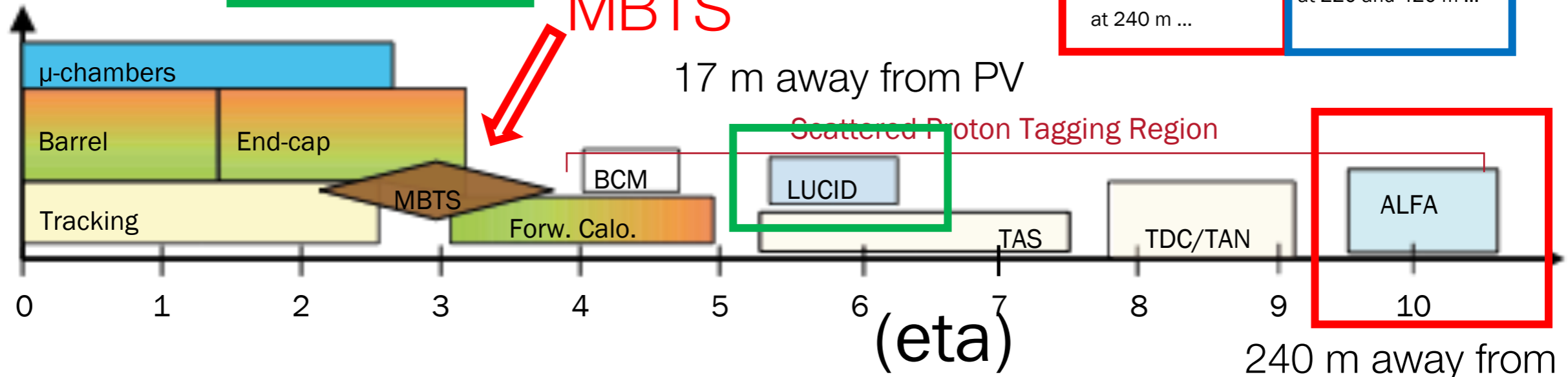
ZDC
[Forward Neutrals]
 W^{74} / Quartz calo
at 140 m and at 0° to IP.



ALFA
[Absolute Lumi ...]
Fiber trackers
in "Roman Pots" ...
at 240 m ...



AFP
[Track & ToF System]
LHC Upgrade ...
at 220 and 420 m ...



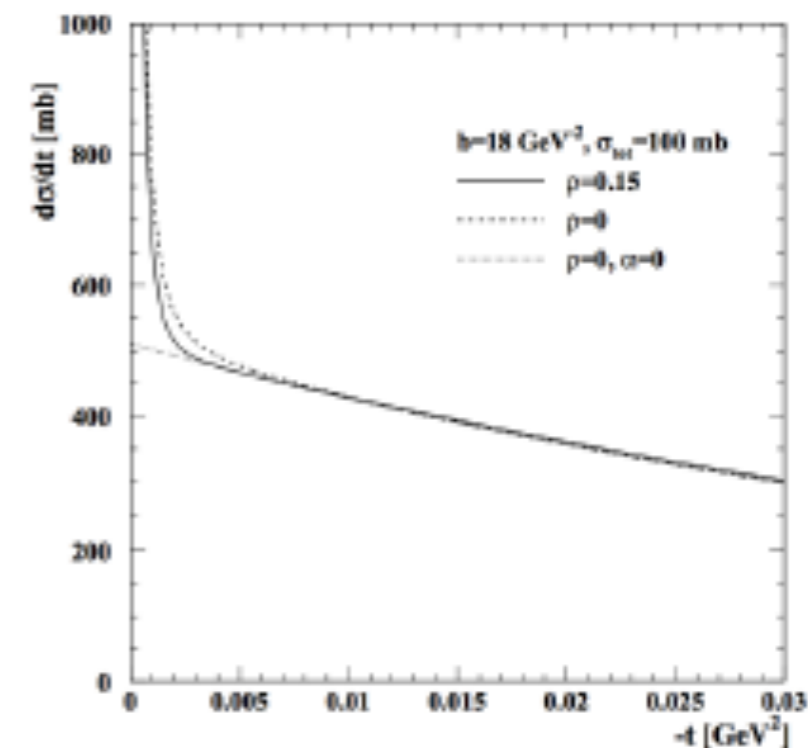


Optical theorem basics

- TOTEM for CMS and ALFA for ATLAS are able to perform absolute luminosity measurements
- Based on Optical theorem
 - Measurements of the total rate in combination with the t -dependence of the elastic cross section (TOTEM)
 - Measurements of elastic scattering rates in the Coulomb interference region (ALFA)

$$N = L \sigma \rightarrow L = N / \sigma$$

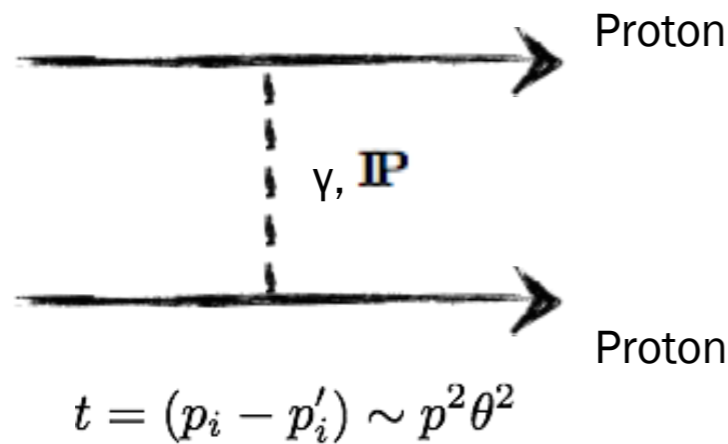
- Requires dedicated LHC fills with special magnet settings
- Roman pots far from the interaction points (about 200 m)
- Measurements at very low interaction rates
 - Cross-calibration of dedicated luminosity detectors
 - Extrapolation of calibration to typical physics conditions introduces big uncertainties
- Valuable cross check but at LHC not competitive to VdM scans for integrated luminosity measurements



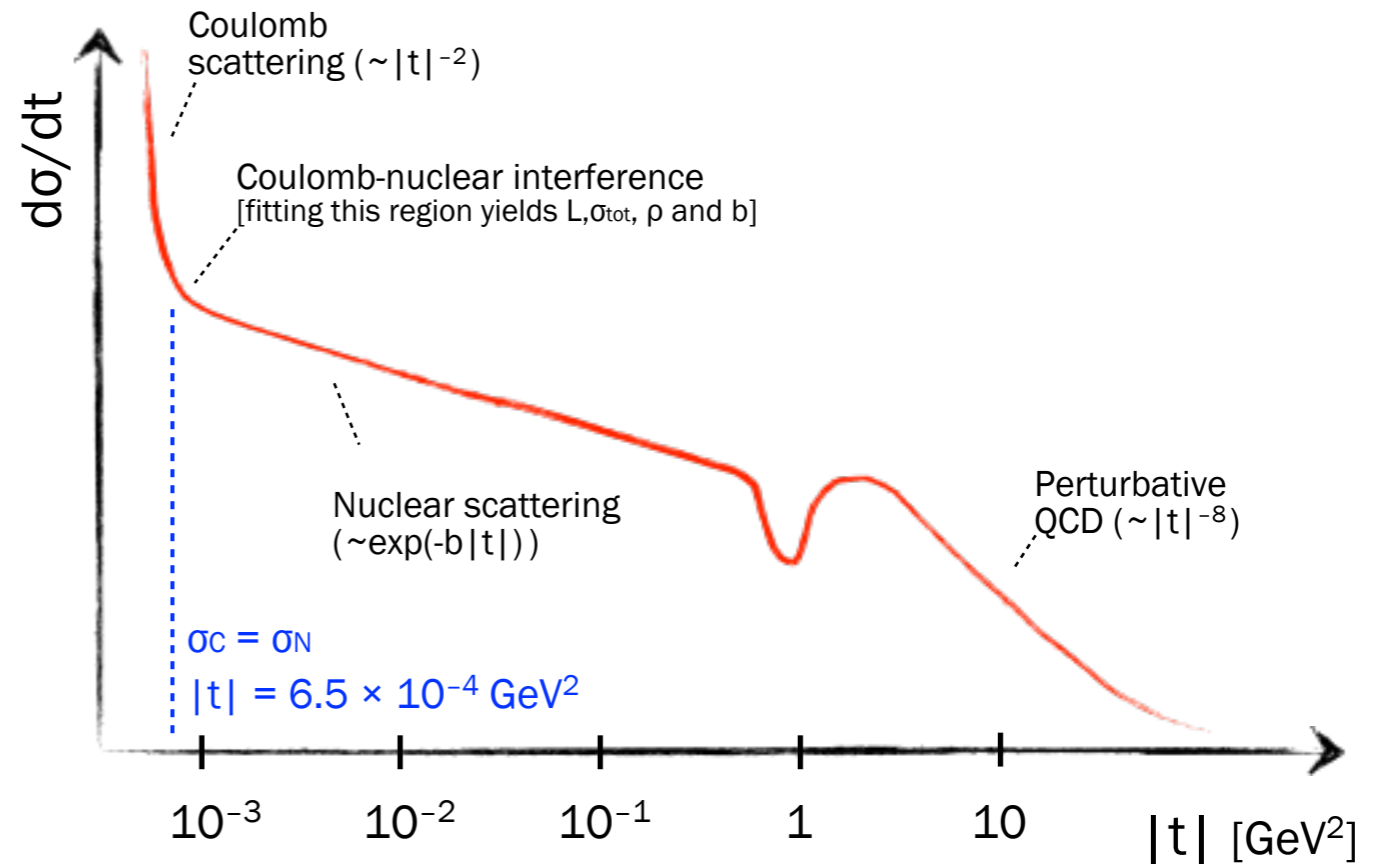


ALFA – Absolute Luminosity for ATLAS

Elastic Scattering:



Elastic Scattering at low t is sensitive to exactly known Coulomb amplitude ...



Shape of elastic scattering distribution can also be used to determine total cross section, σ_{tot} , and the parameters ρ and b ...

Perform fit to:

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = L \left(\underbrace{\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{|t|^2}}_{\text{Coulomb Scattering}} - \underbrace{\frac{\alpha\rho\sigma_{tot}e^{-\frac{b|t|}{2}}}{|t|}}_{\text{Coulomb/nuclear Interference}} + \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_{tot}^2(1+\rho^2)e^{-b|t|}}{16\pi}}_{\text{Nuclear Scattering}} \right)$$

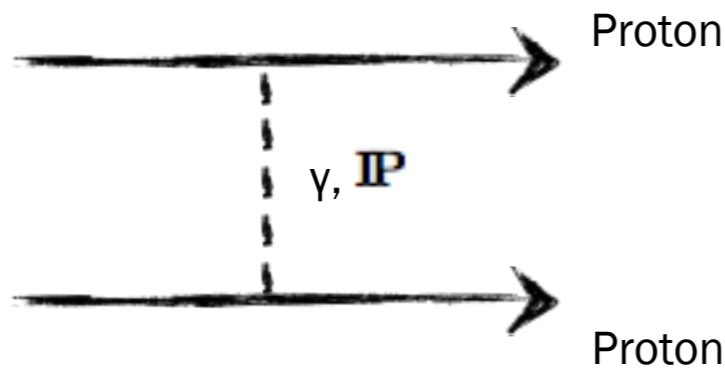
with:

- ρ : ratio of the real to imaginary part of the elastic forward amplitude
- b : nuclear slope
- σ_{tot} : total $pp \rightarrow X$ cross section



ALFA – Absolute Luminosity for ATLAS

Elastic Scattering:



$$t = (p_i - p'_i)^2 \sim p^2 \theta^2$$

$$t \approx 10^{-3} \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\theta \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-6} = 5 \mu\text{rad}$$

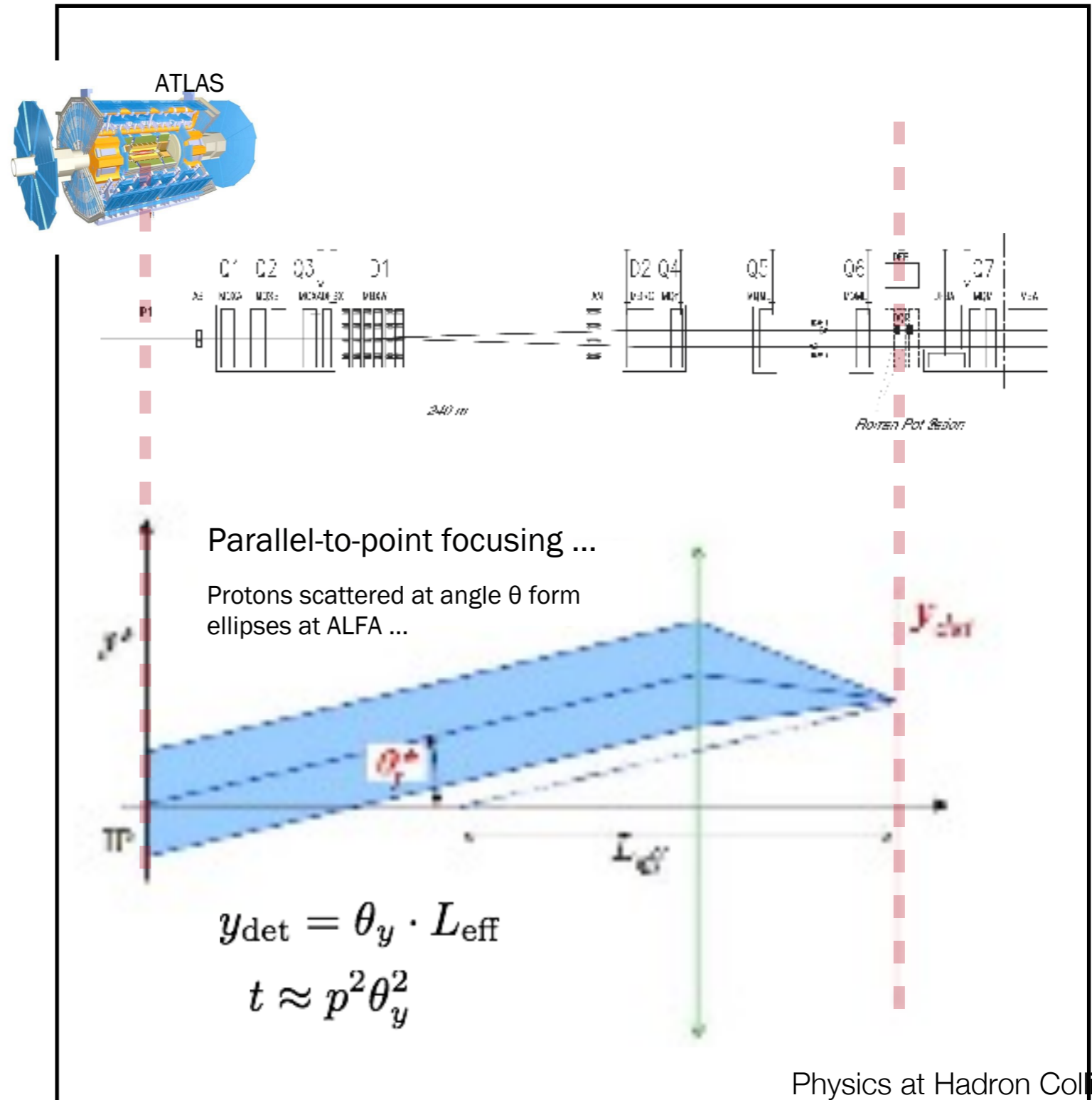
$$L_{\text{eff}} \approx 240 \text{ m}$$

[Depends on beam optics]

$$y_{\text{det}} \approx 1.5 \text{ mm}$$

→ Need proton detection 1.5 mm from beam ...

Use of Roman Pot detectors ..



Parallel-to-point focusing ...

Protons scattered at angle θ form ellipses at ALFA ...

$$y_{\text{det}} = \theta_y \cdot L_{\text{eff}}$$

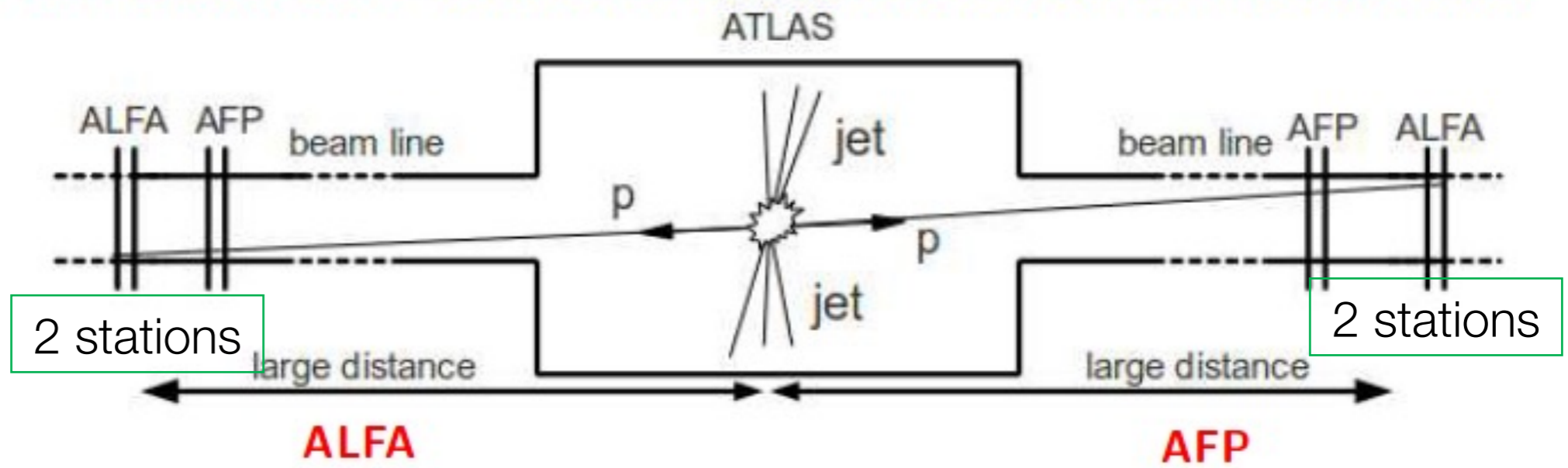
$$t \approx p^2 \theta_y^2$$



AFP & ALFA : geometry

Forward Detectors @ IP1

Intact protons → natural diffractive signature → usually scattered at very small angles (μrad) → detectors must be located far from the Interaction Point.



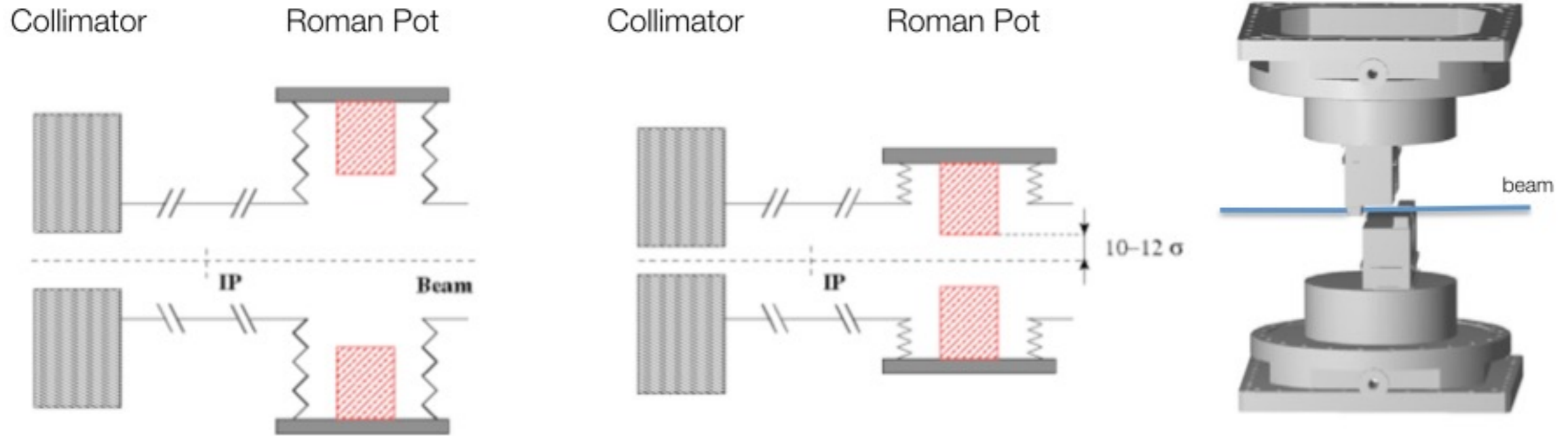
- Absolute Luminosity For ATLAS
- exist, 240 m from ATLAS IP
- soft diffraction (elastic scattering)
- special runs (high β^* optics)
- vertically inserted Roman Pots
- tracking detectors, resolution:
 $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 30 \mu\text{m}$

- ATLAS Forward Proton
- exist, 210 m from ATLAS IP
- hard diffraction
- nominal runs (collision optics)
- horizontally inserted Roman Pots
- tracking detectors, resolution:
 $\sigma_x = 10 \mu\text{m}, \sigma_y = 30 \mu\text{m}$
- timing detectors, resolution:
 $\sigma_t \sim 20 \text{ps}$

Similar Devices @ IP5: CMS-TOTEM.



ALFA – Absolute Luminosity for ATLAS



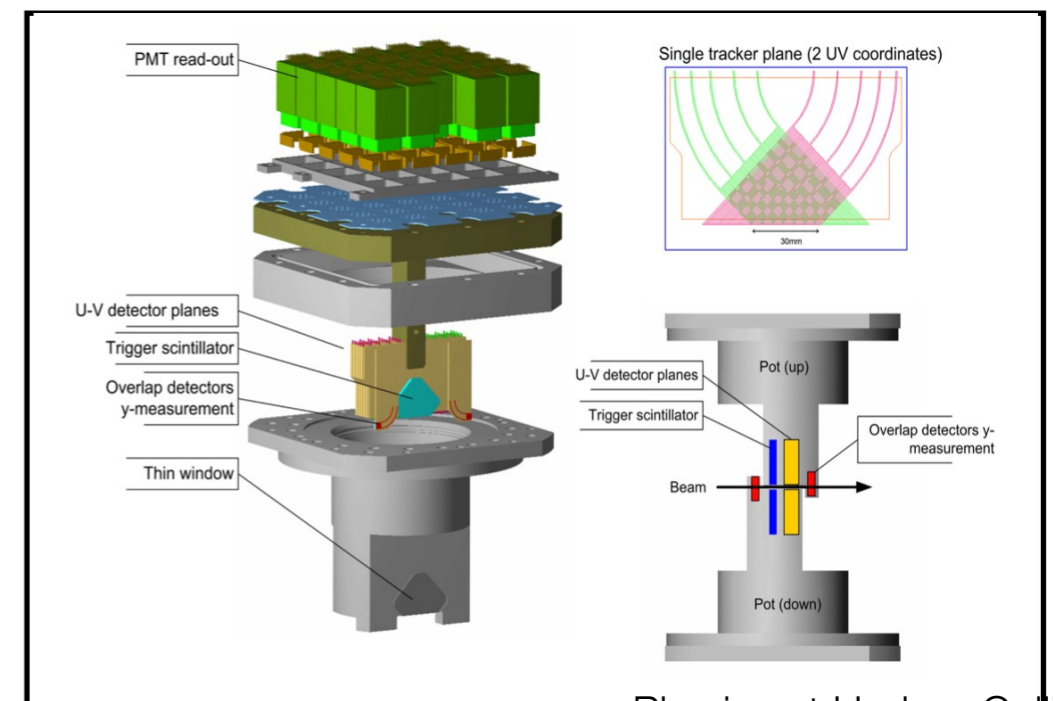
Roman Pots, based on modified Totem design, used to move detectors near to stable beam.

Detectors in vertical plane only.

Calibration:

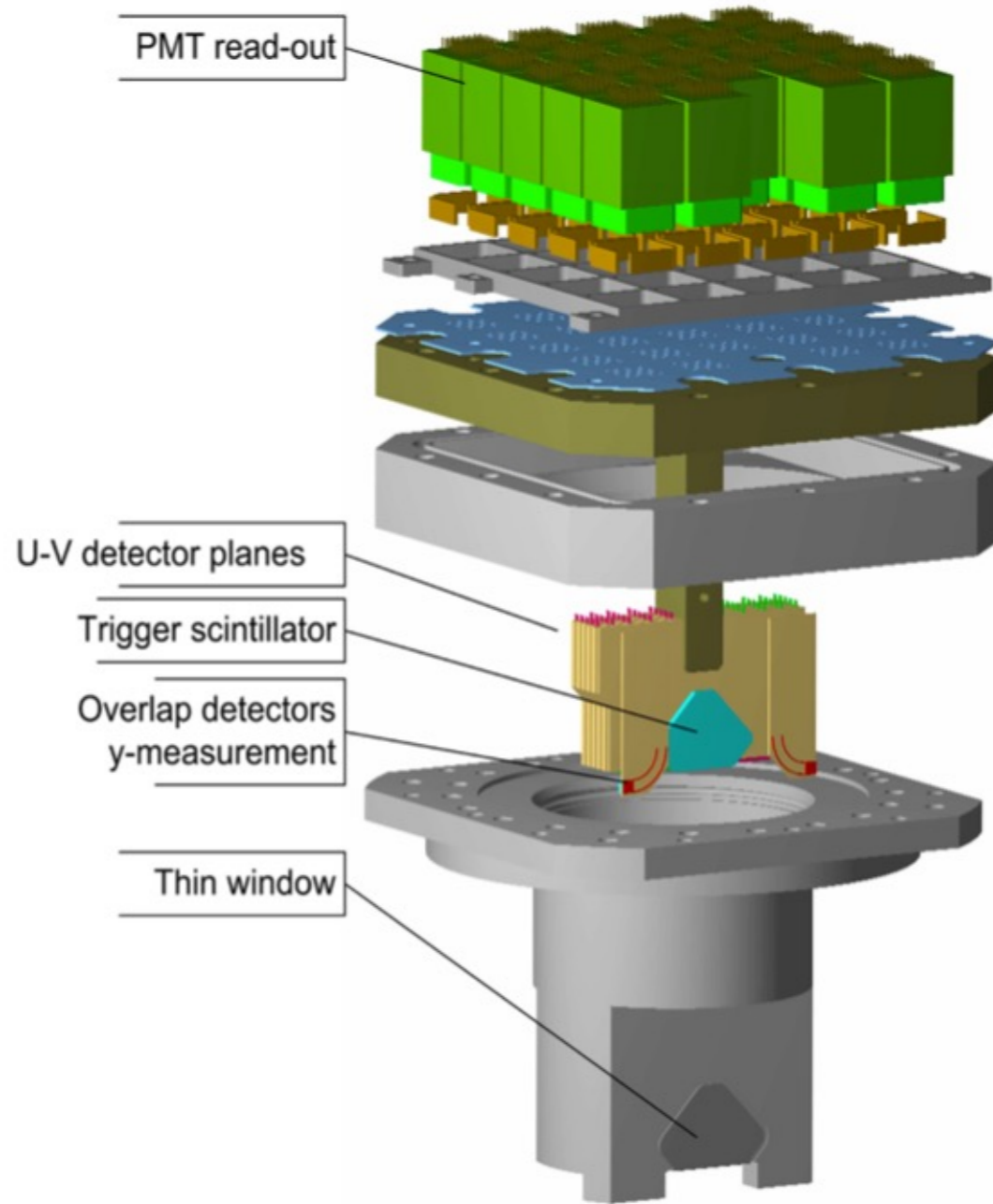
Beam positioning monitors (BPMs) and hit multiplicities used to calibrate detector positions with respect to beam

Overlap extrusions used to calibrate distance between upper and lower detectors

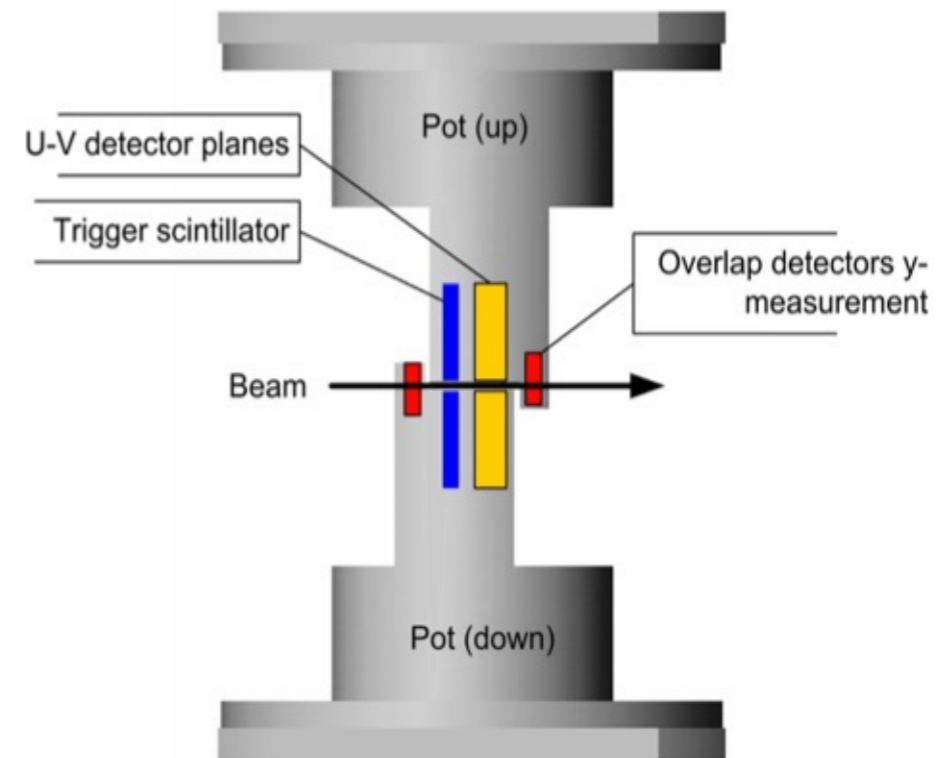
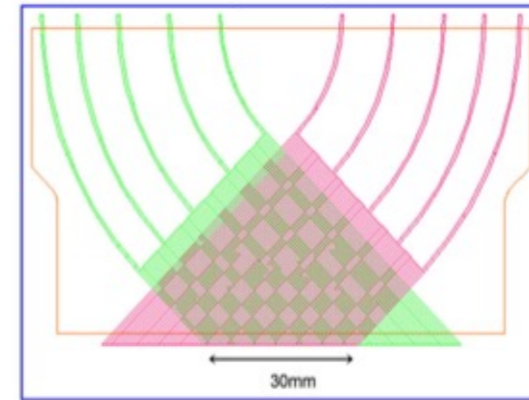




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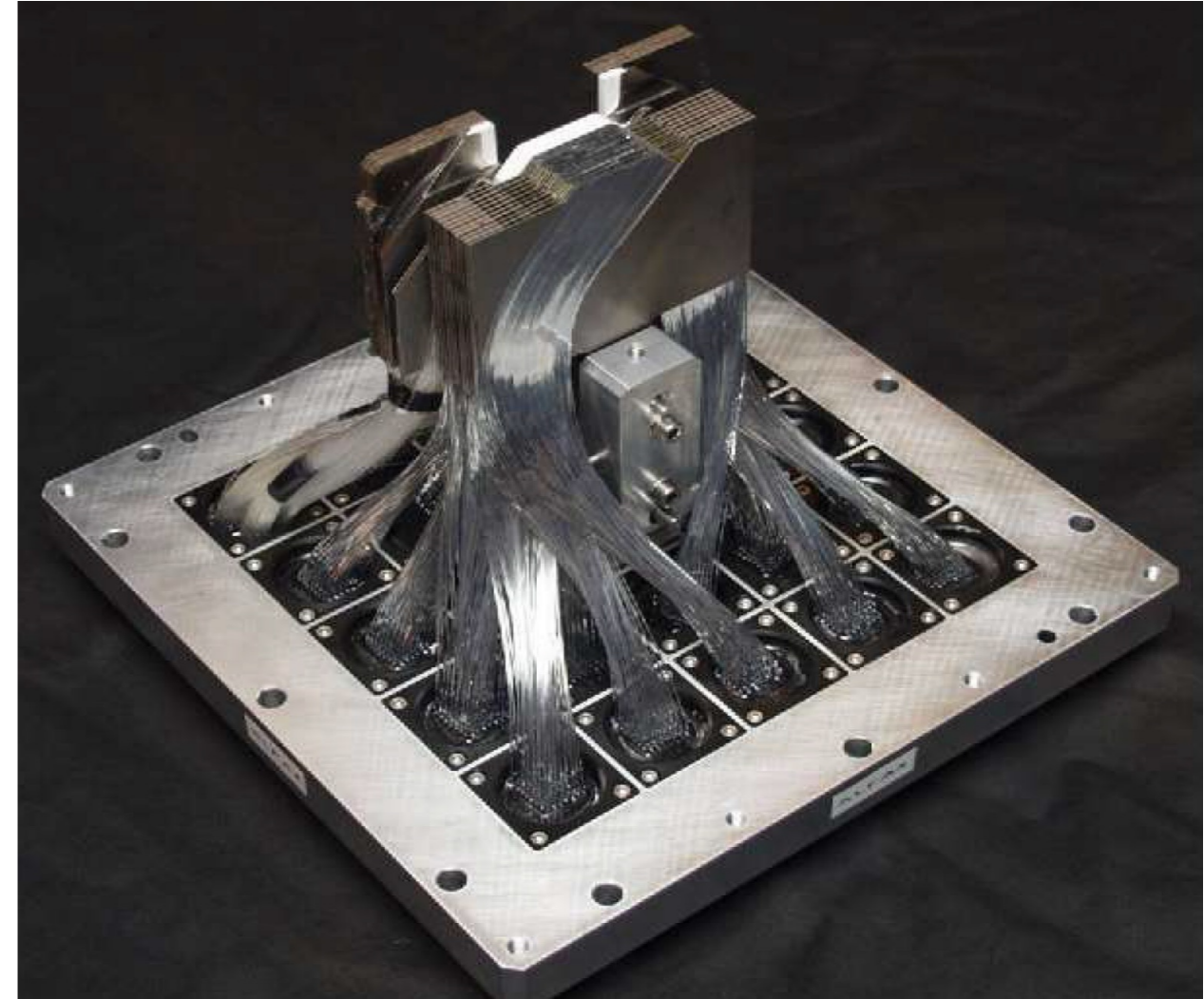
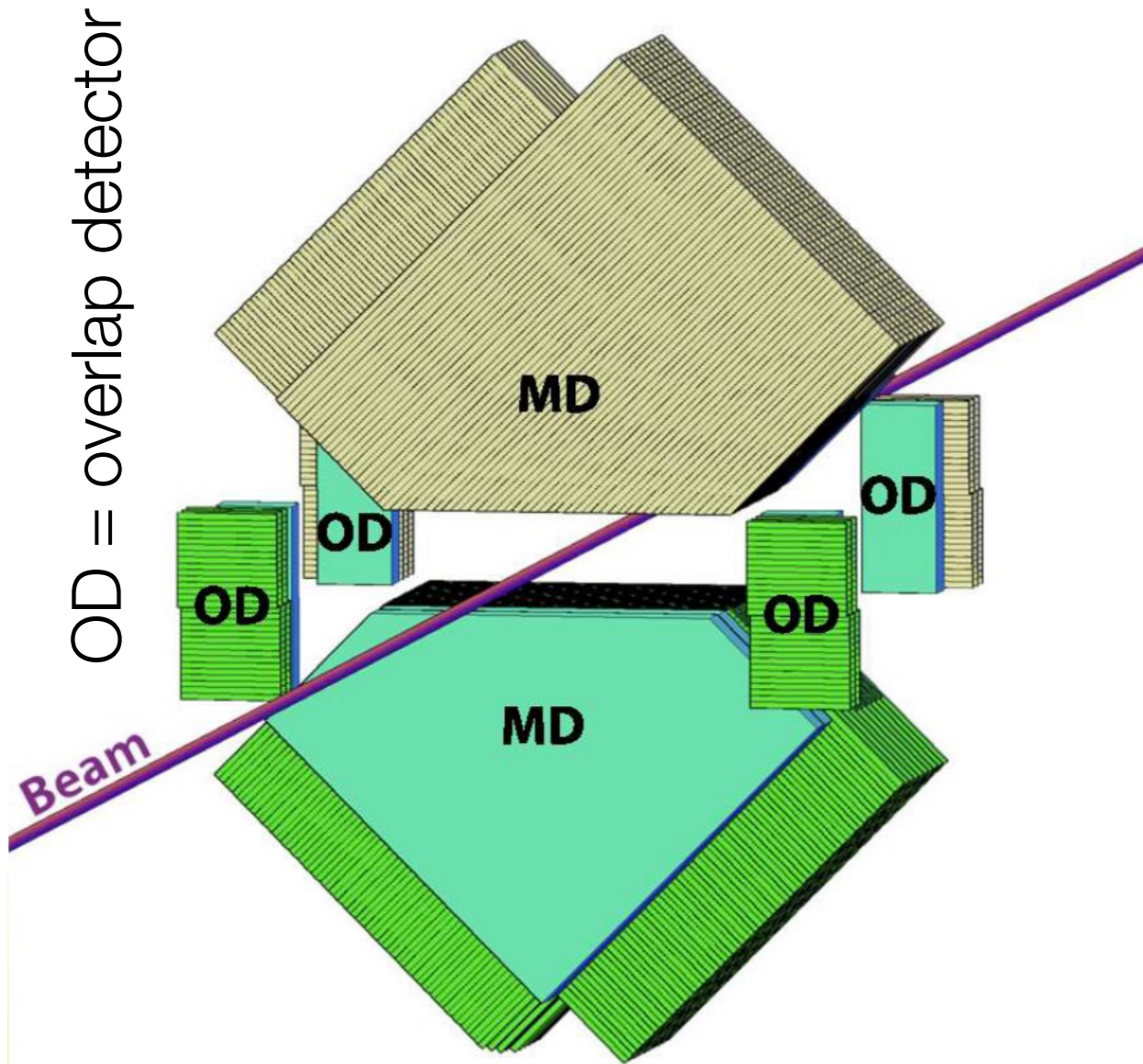


Single tracker plane (2 UV coordinates)





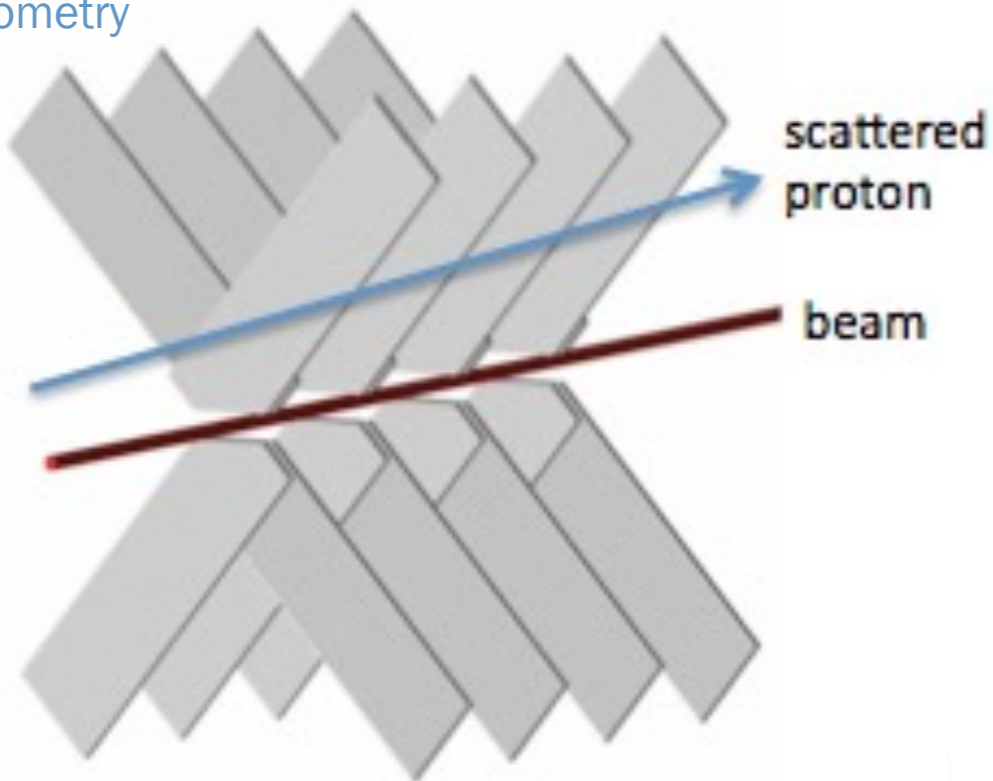
ALFA detector





ALFA – Absolute Luminosity for ATLAS

Scintillating fibers
in U-V geometry



Single-cladded 0.5 mm square fibers
used to track scattered protons ...

20 detector planes with 64 fibers each ...
[expected position resolution: 30 μm]

Dead region less than 100 μm ...

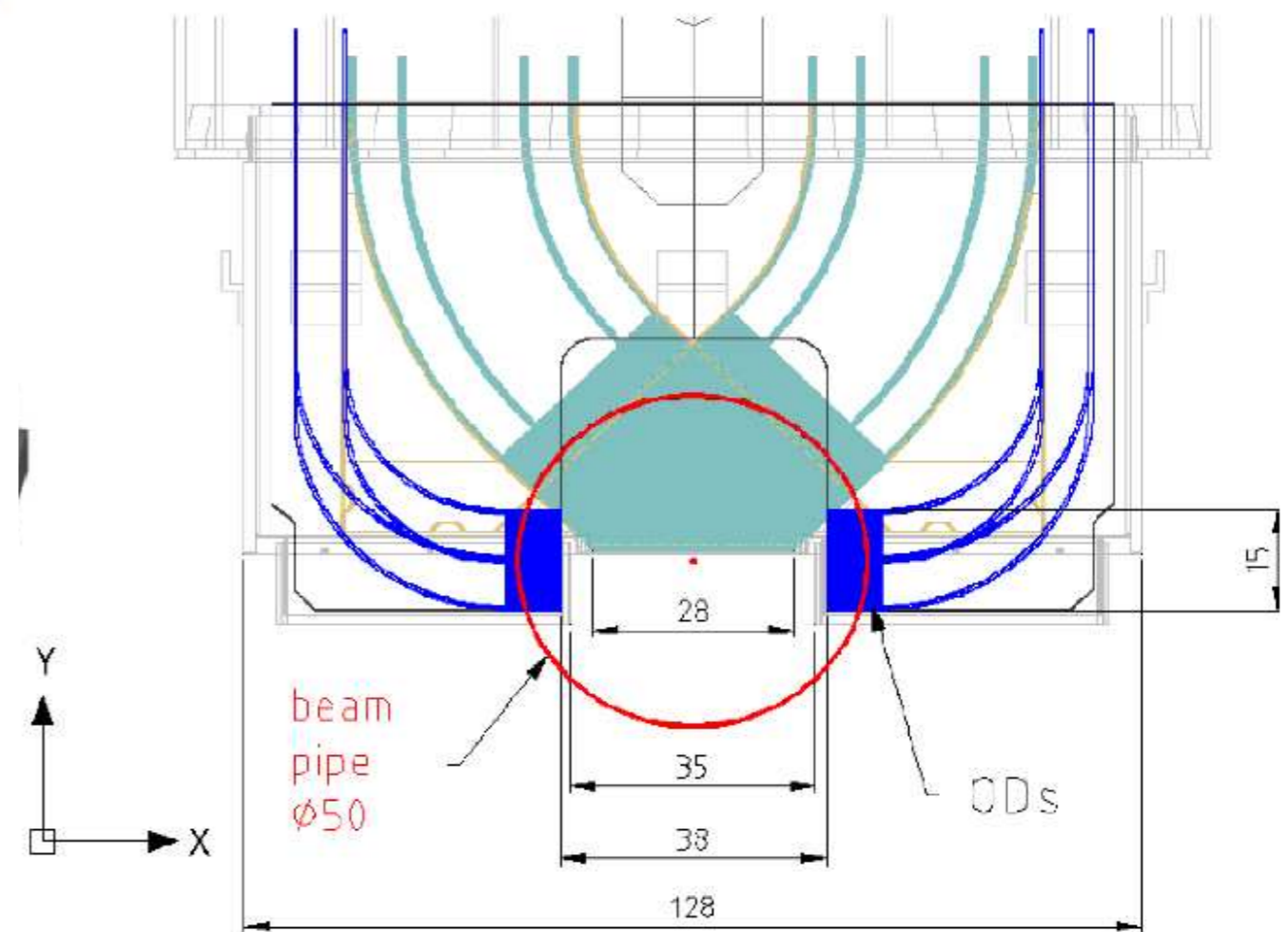
Efficiency > 90% per plane ...

Schematic view of tracker module ...

Sensitive area with U-V geometry (light blue) ...

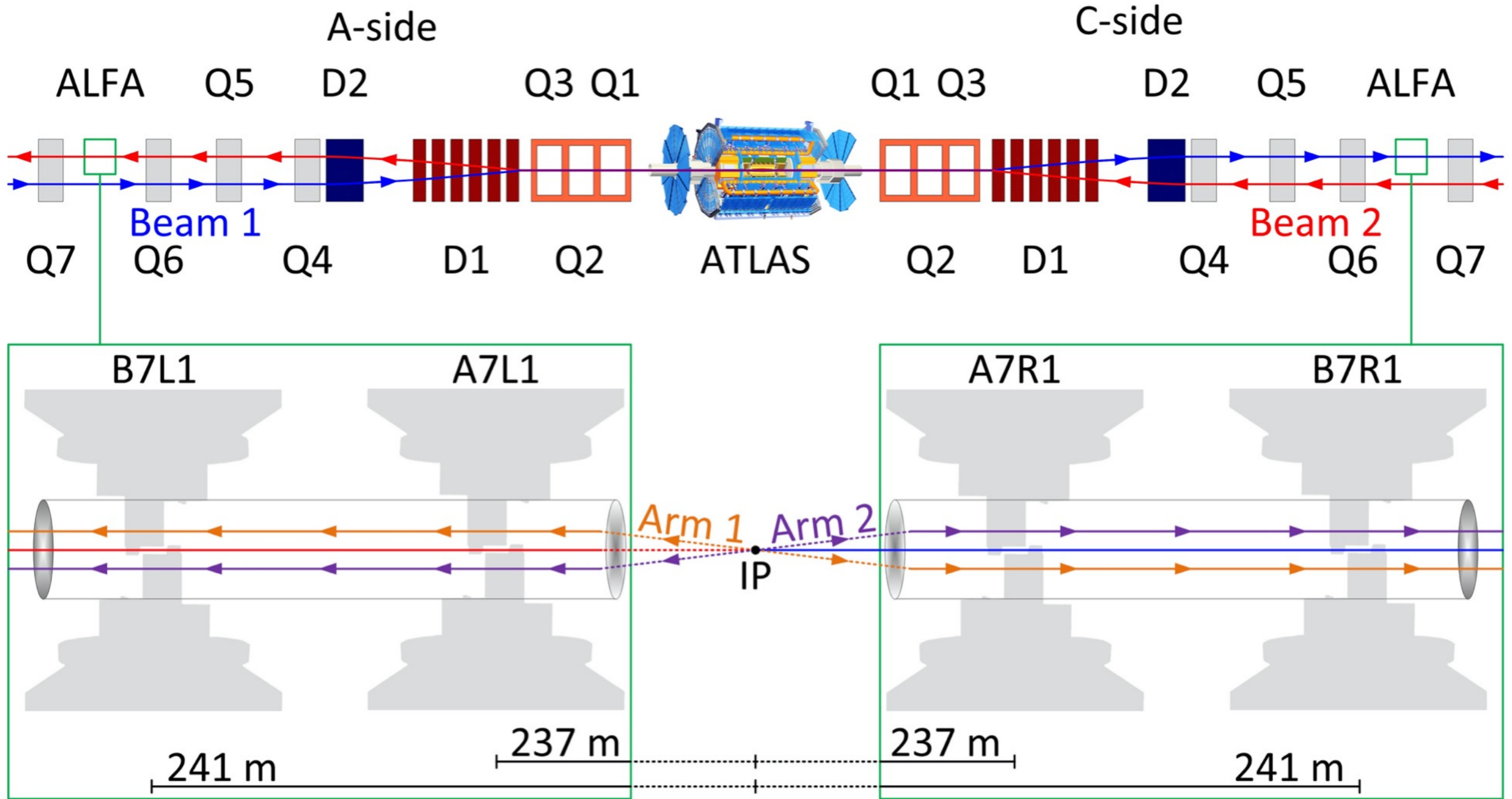
Overlap detectors and fibers (dark blue) ...

LHC Beam pipe (red) ...





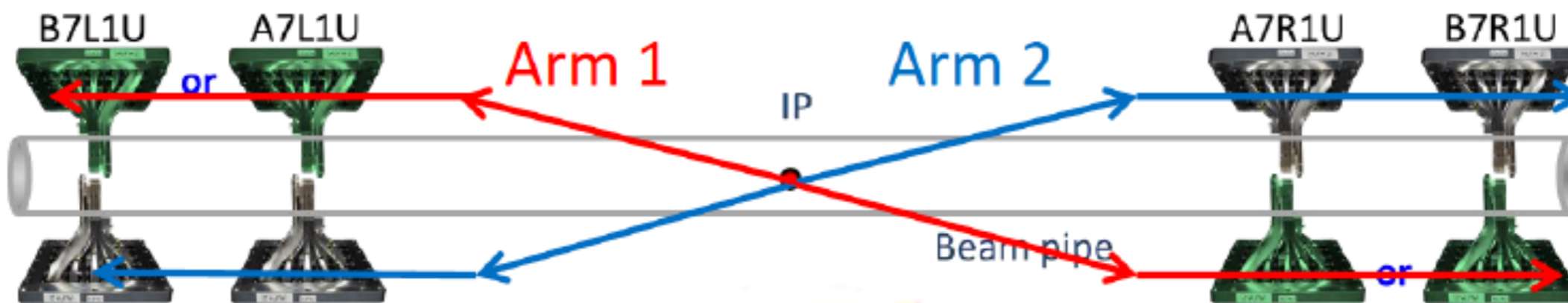
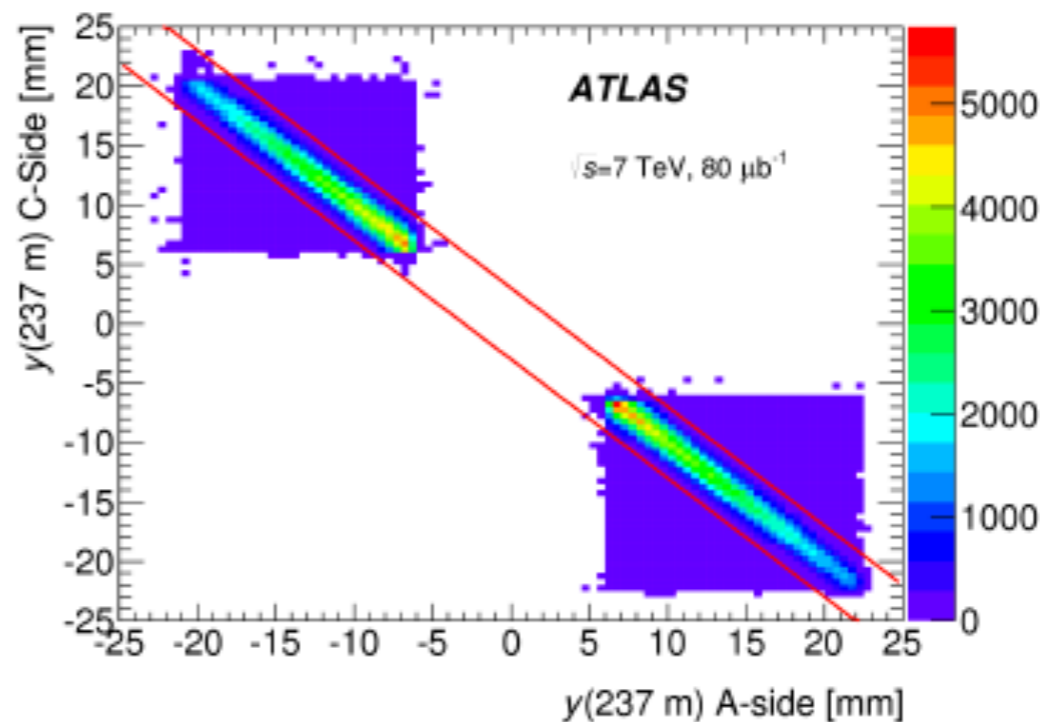
ALFA detector



ALFA detector : signal events

Elastic event selection

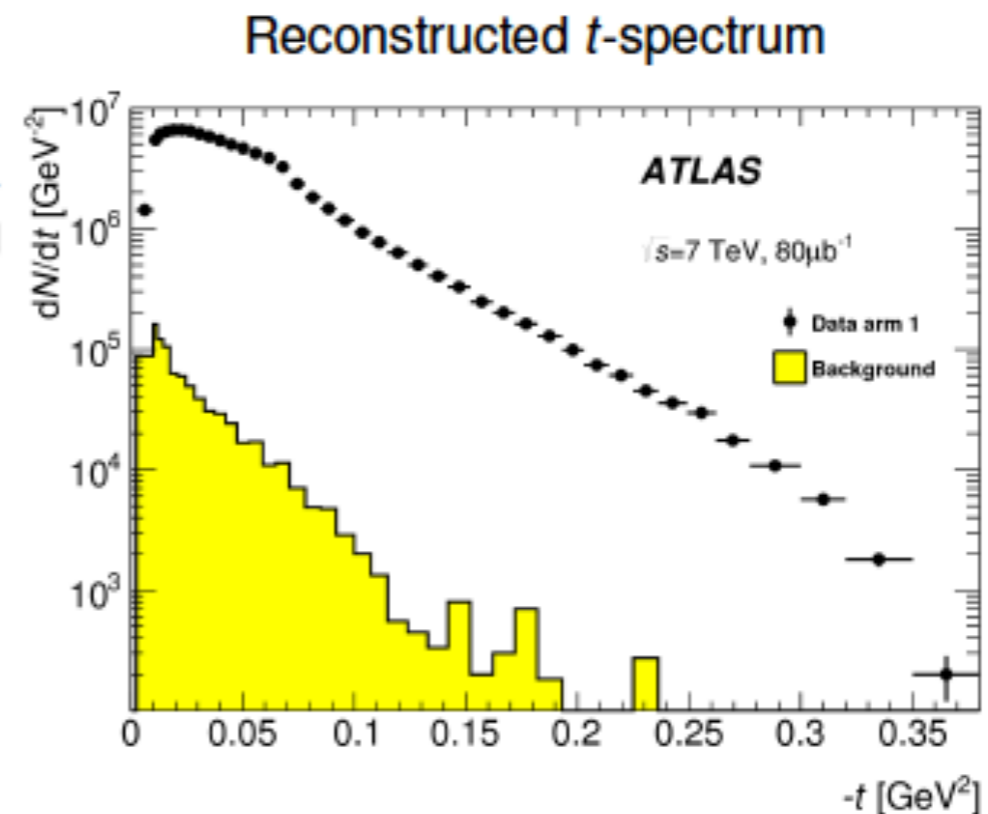
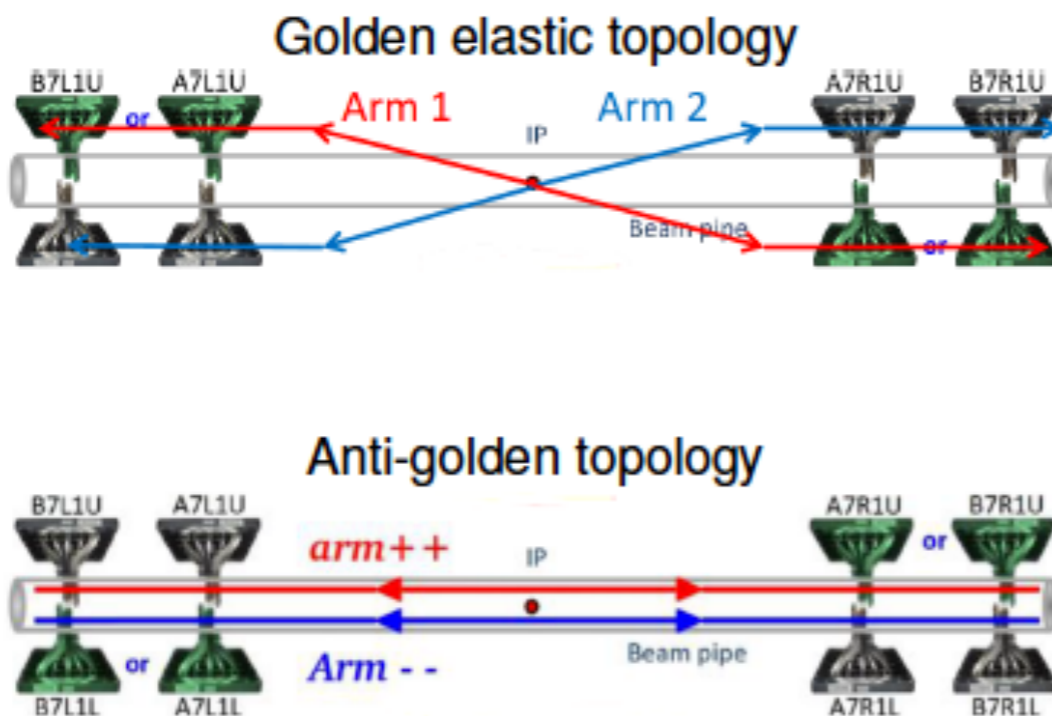
- Elastic events are selected with tracks in all four stations in an arm.
- The tracks are also required to fulfill certain correlations between inner-outer stations and between A-side and C-side.



ALFA detector : background events

Background

- Sources of irreducible background is:
 - 1) two incident halo particle,
 - 2) a single diffractive proton and a halo particle,
 - 3) double pomeron exchange with two protons in ALFA.
- A t -spectrum for background is determined from anti-golden events by flipping the coordinates of one of the tracks.
- Background fraction is $\sim 0.5\%$ and halo+halo is the dominant source.





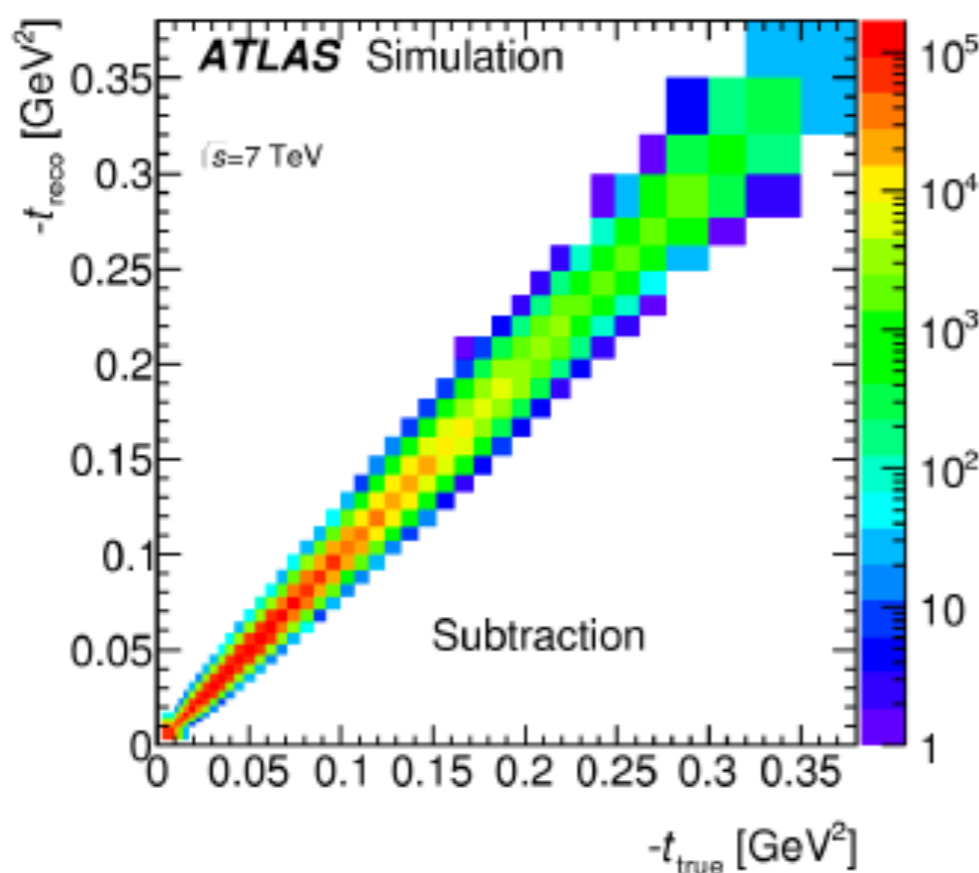
ALFA : acceptance & unfolding

Simulation: Acceptance & unfolding

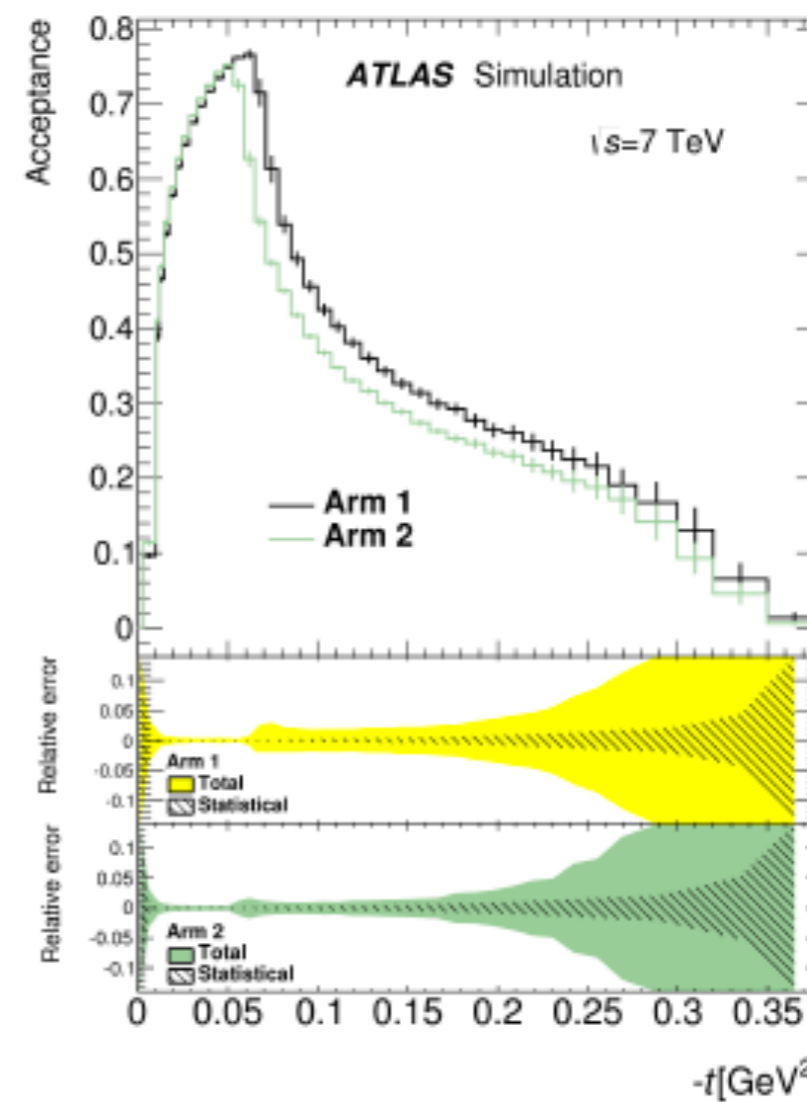
- The measured t -spectrum is affected by detector resolution and acceptance and must be corrected for these effects.
- PYTHIA8 used as elastic scattering generator.
- Beam transport from IP to ALFA done using MadX.
- Simulated tracks are used to find a reconstructed t .
- Transition matrix used to unfold the raw t -spectrum.

t_{true} at production
vs t_{reco} at detection

Transition matrix

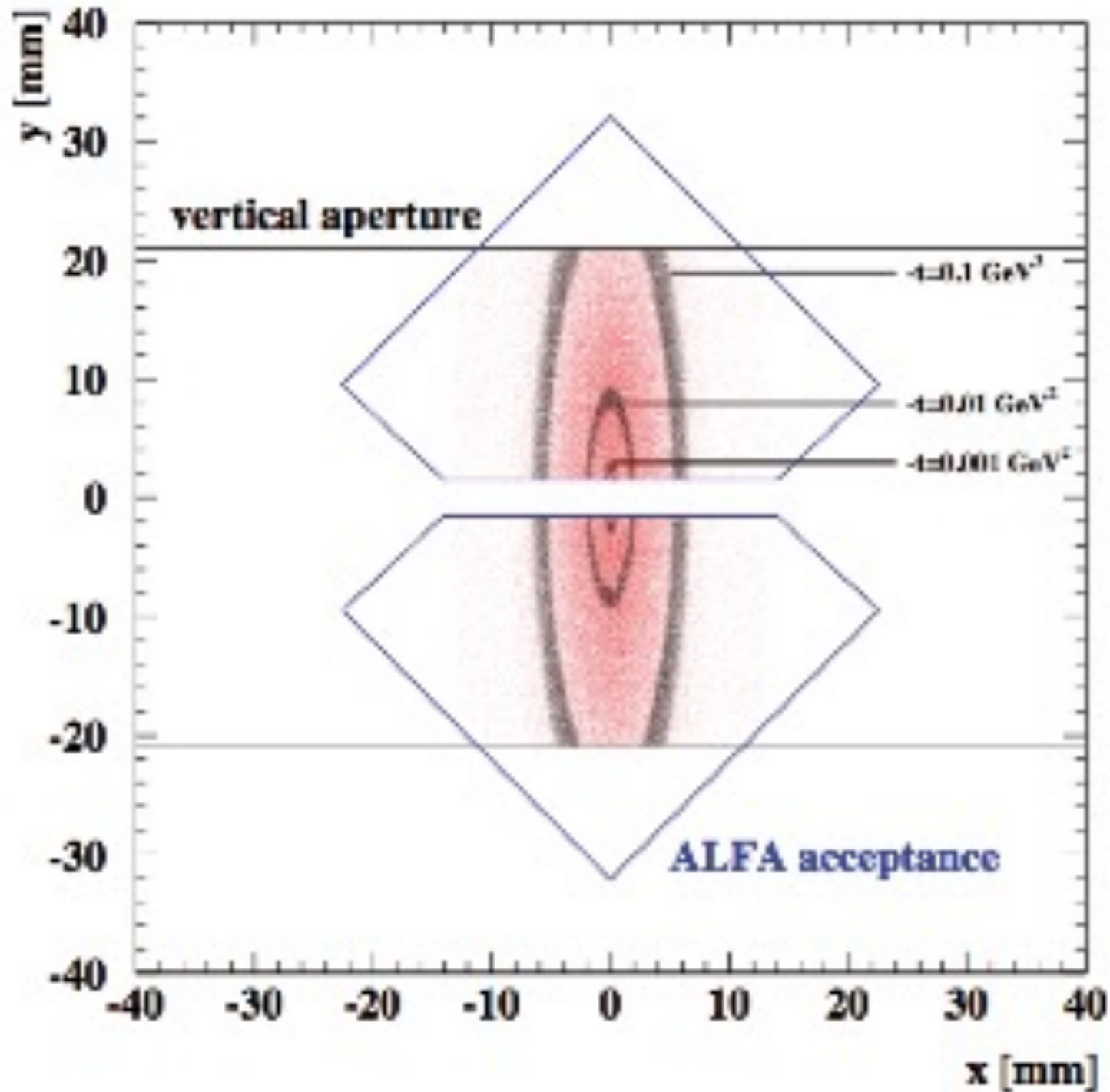


Acceptance





ALFA – Absolute Luminosity for ATLAS



ALFA
Simulated hit distribution



ATLAS Luminosity monitors

What between VdM scans?

- LUCID
 - Dedicated luminosity monitor ($5.6 < |\eta| < 6.0$)
 - Cherenkov tubes
 - Zero-counting and hit-counting algorithms

Beam Condition Monitor (BCM) \Rightarrow Beam dump!

- Beam Condition Monitor (BCM)
 - Designed as beam protection system
 - Diamond-based sensor ($|\eta| \sim 4.2$)
 - Zero-counting algorithms

- Silicon detectors
 - Track counting in Pixel and SCT

- Calorimeter currents (bunch-integrating)
 - TileCal PMT currents
 - LAr HV currents: ECC, FCal



LUCID



BCM

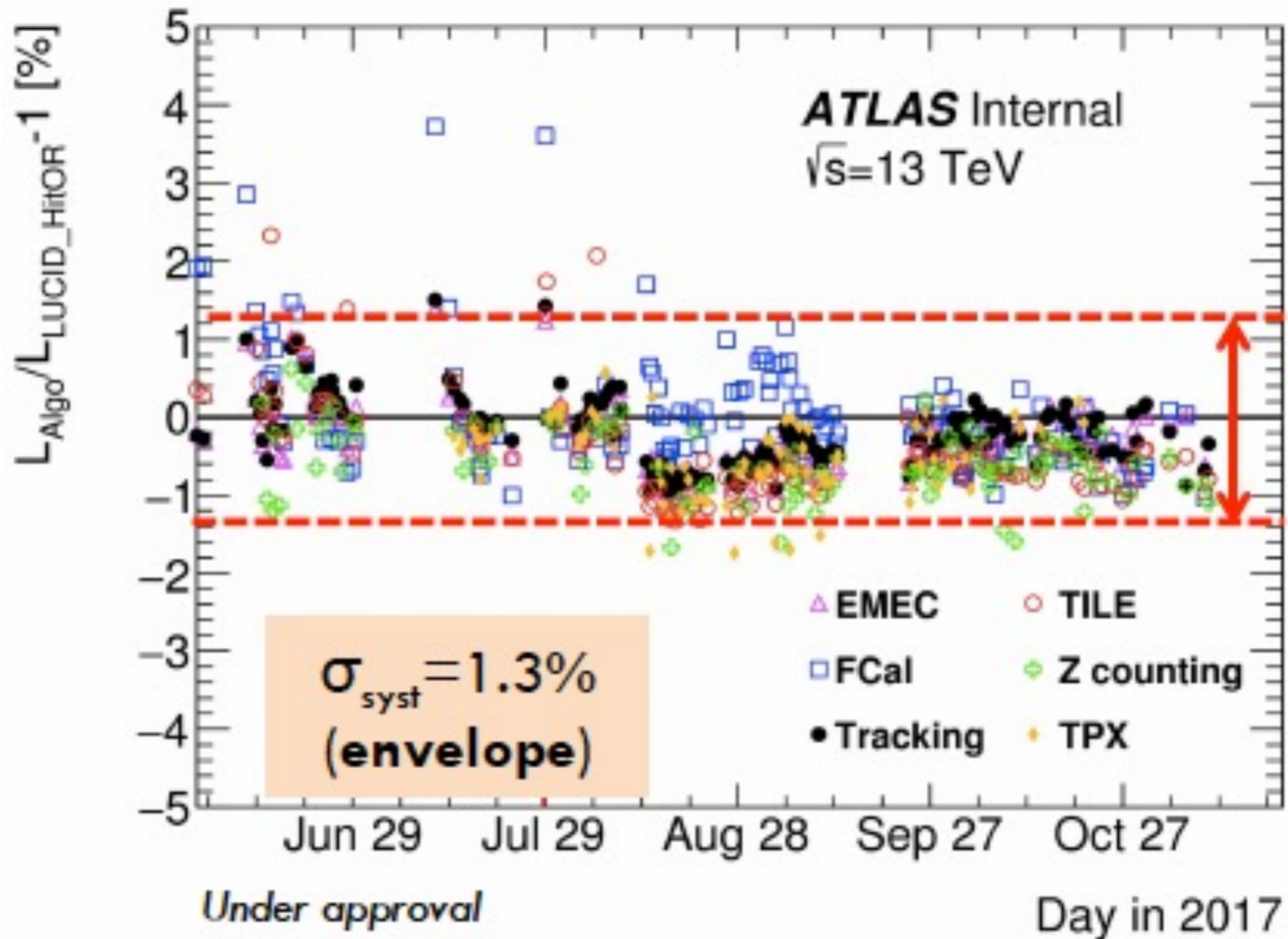


Summary of Luminosity Monitors

Device	Algorithms	Technology	BCID-aware	ACR Desk
<u>BCM</u>	Event counting	Diamond semi-conductors	●	ID
LUCID	Event (Hit) counting Particle flux	Cerenkov quartz windows + PMTs	●	Calo
FCAL	Particle flux	LAr under HV		Calo
MBTS	Event counting	Scintillators + PMTs	●	Trigger
TILE	Particle flux	Scintillator tiles + PMTs		Calo
EMEC	Particle flux	LAr under HV		Calo
TPX	Cluster counting	Hybrid pixel		(TBD)
DBM	Event counting Cluster counting Track counting	Diamond pixels	●	ID



ATLAS Luminosity Monitoring in 2017

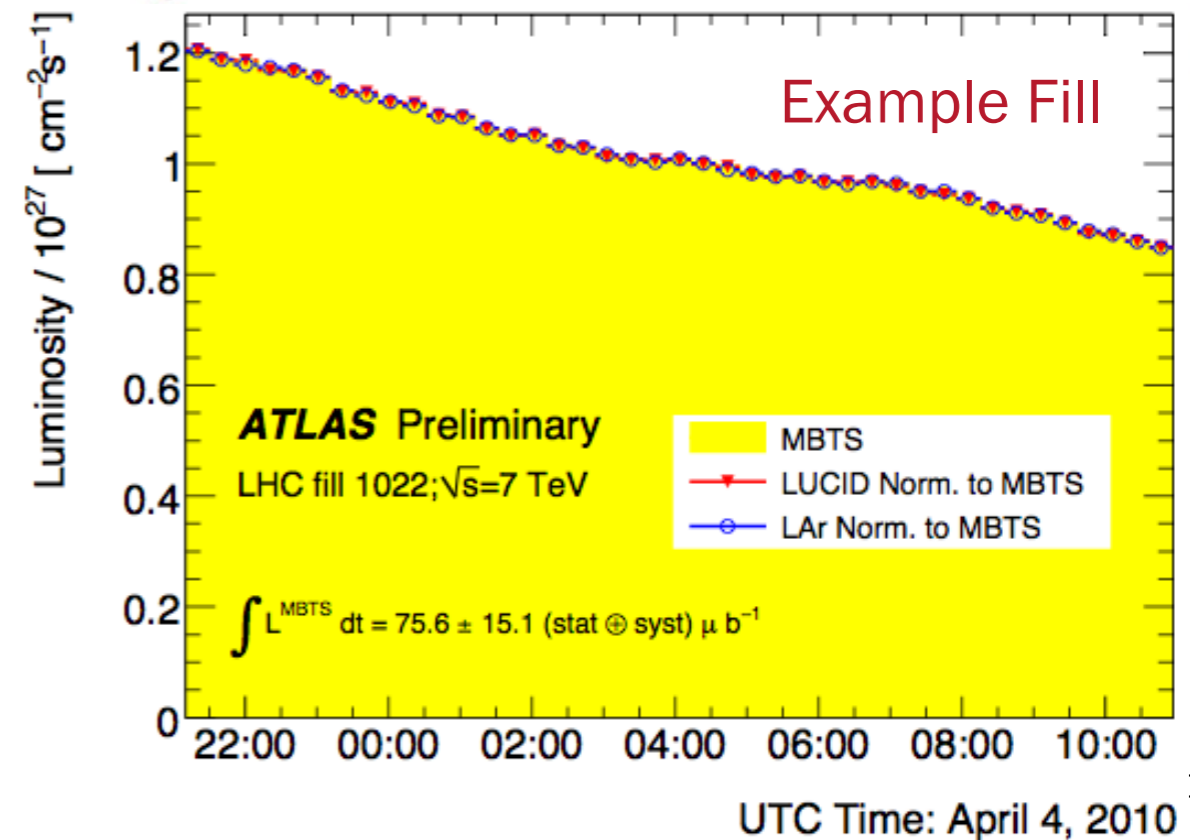
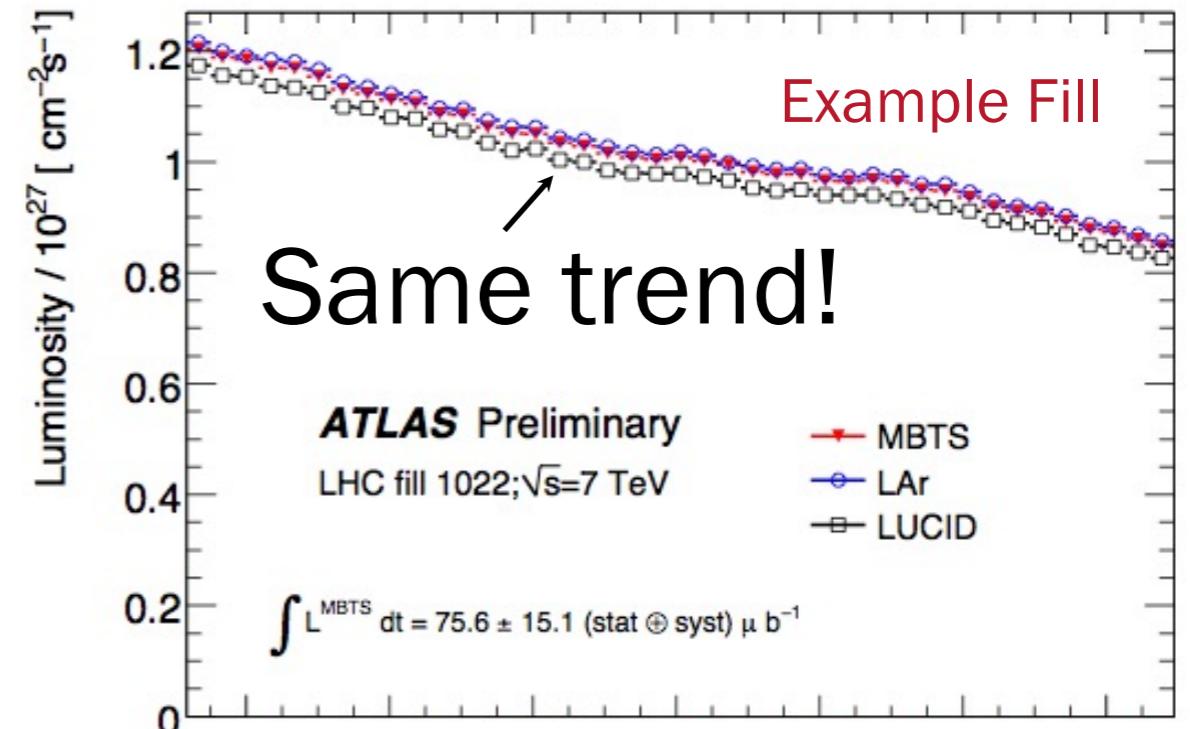
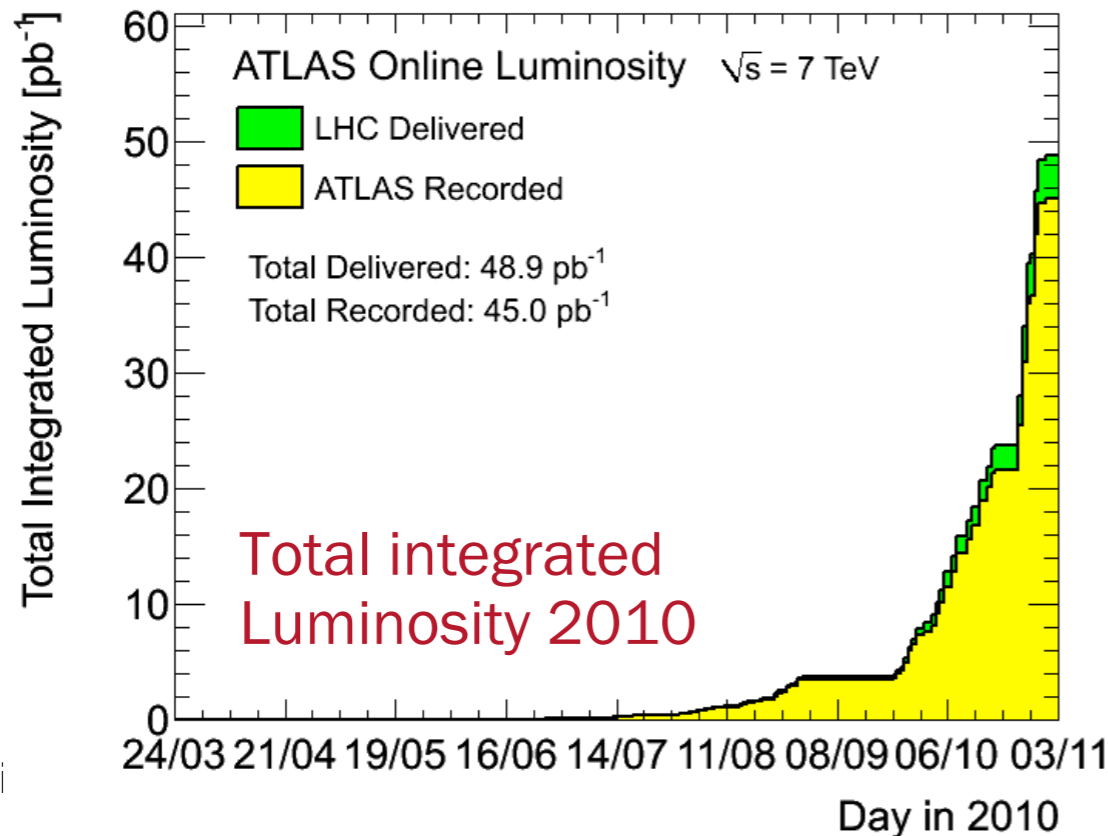




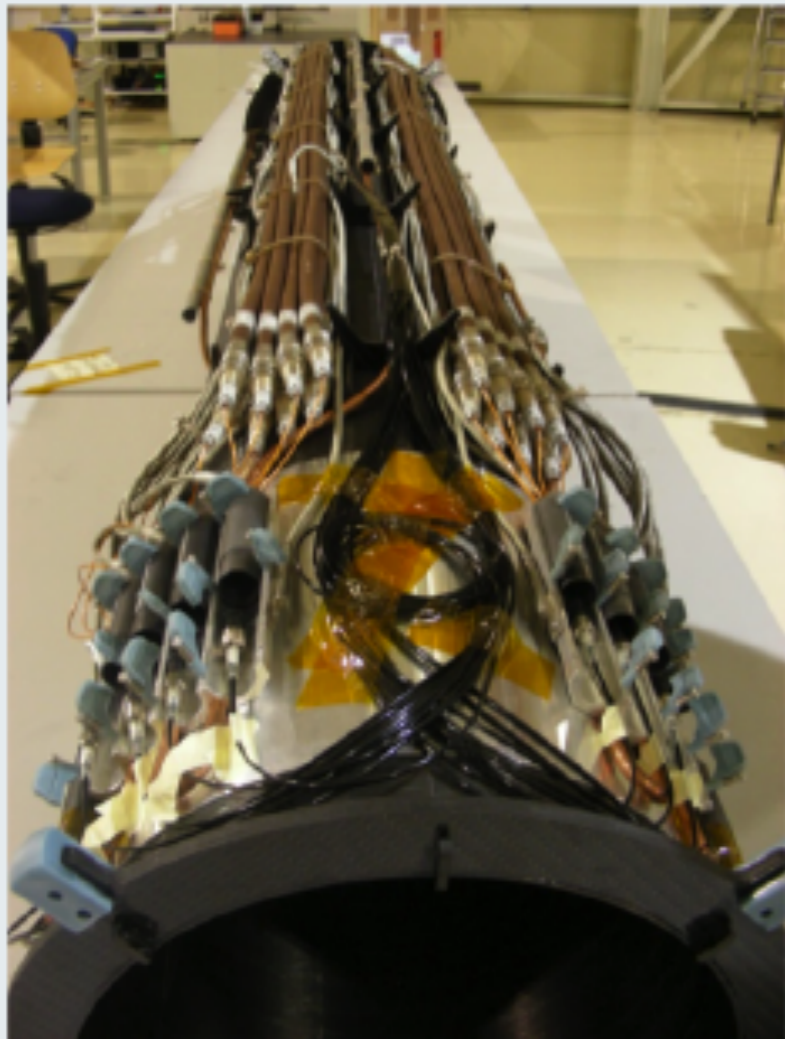
Early LHC Luminosity Measurement

Particle counting:
 Charged Tracks (MBTS)
 Calorimeter deposits (LAR)
 [Normalization via Monte Carlo]

Forward Particles (LUCID)
 [Relative Method; normalization to MBTS/LAr]



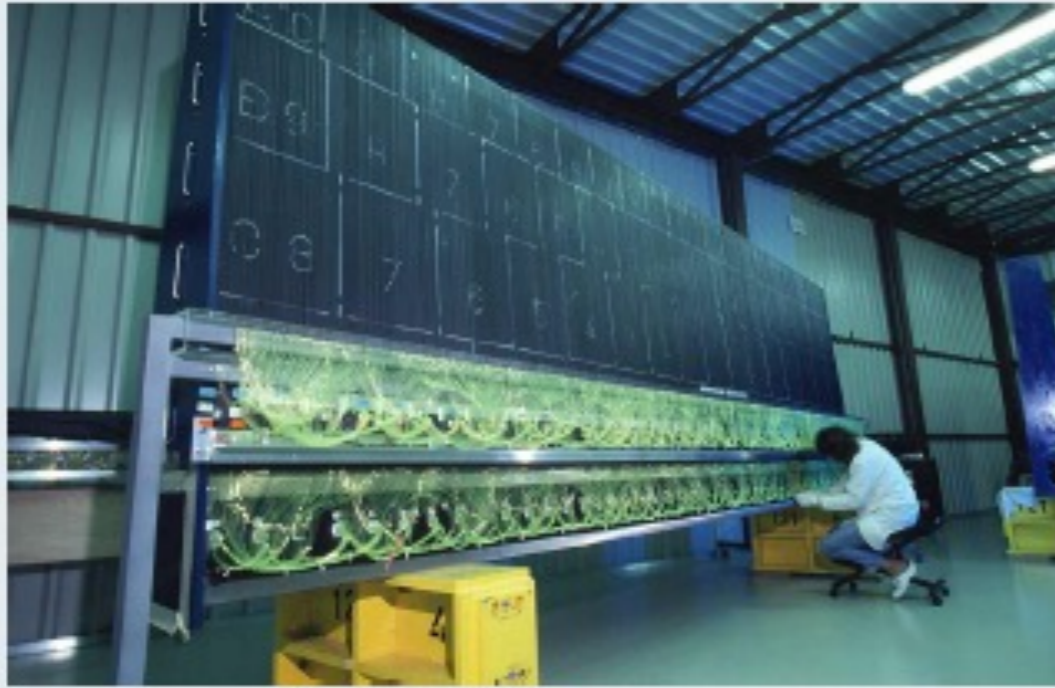
LUCID



- **Main role:** Luminosity Measurement.
- **Technology:** Cherenkov emitting quartz windows connect to PMTs.
- **Configuration:** 16 PMTs on each side of ATLAS, 17m from the IP.
- **Highlights:** Fast and high redundancy (each PMT read out individually). Capable of event and hit counting as well as and particle flux measurements.

- **Sampling/Time resolution:** Every BCID.
- Major upgrades for Run II: new calibration, more redundant measurements, reduced acceptance.

Tile Calorimeter



- **Technology:** Scintillator tiles connected to PMTs.
- **Highlights:** Particle flux measurement, far from beamline.
- **Sampling/Time resolution:** bunch-integrated response every few seconds.

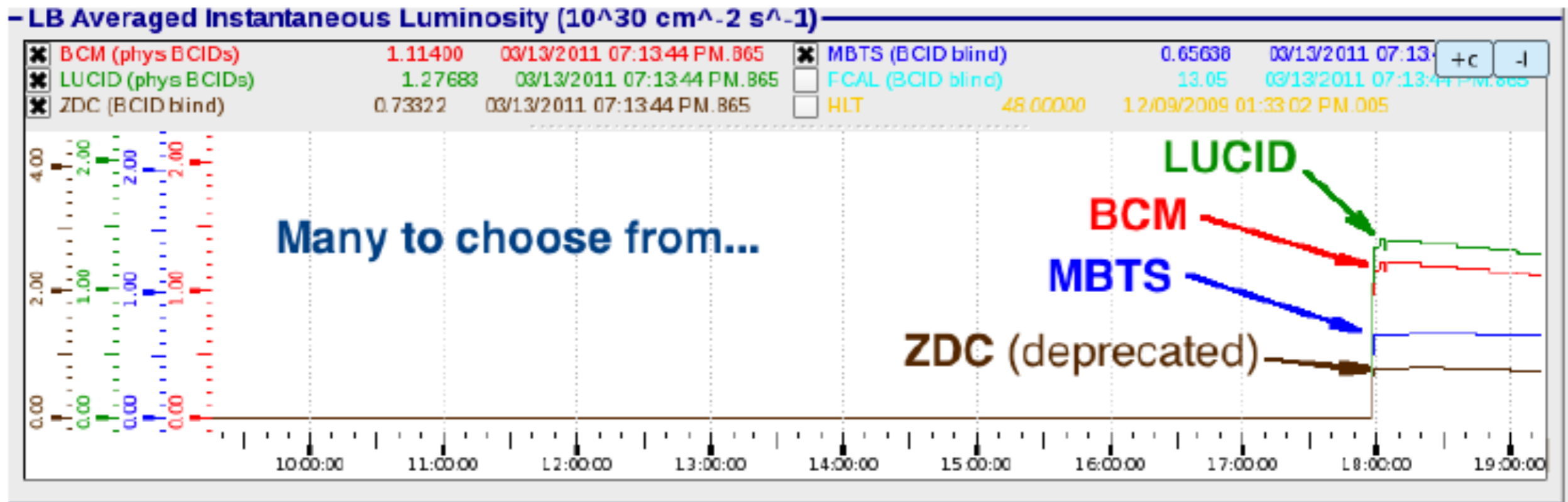
EMEC and FCal



- **Technology:** Liquid argon gaps between electrodes under HV.
- **Highlights:** Particle flux measurement, closer to beamline.
- **Sampling/Time resolution:** bunch-integrated response every few seconds.

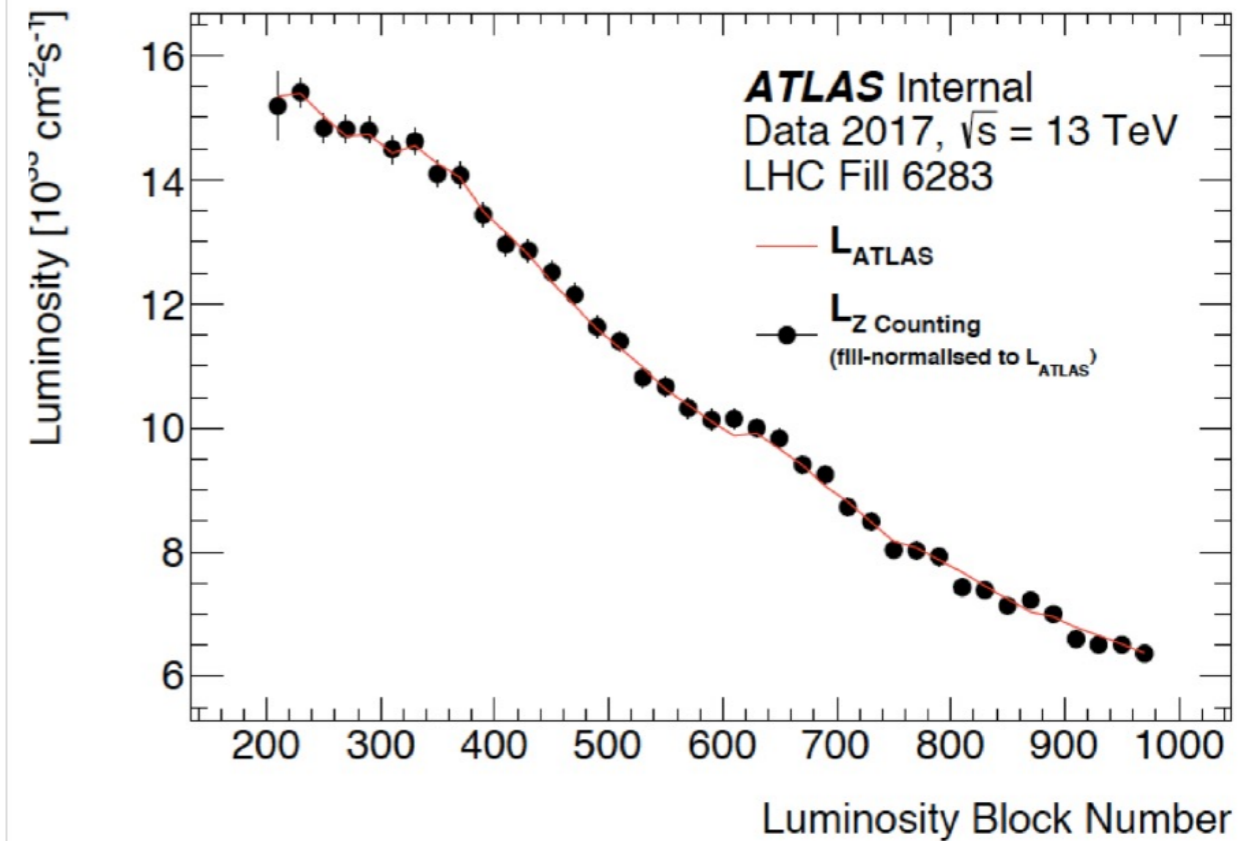
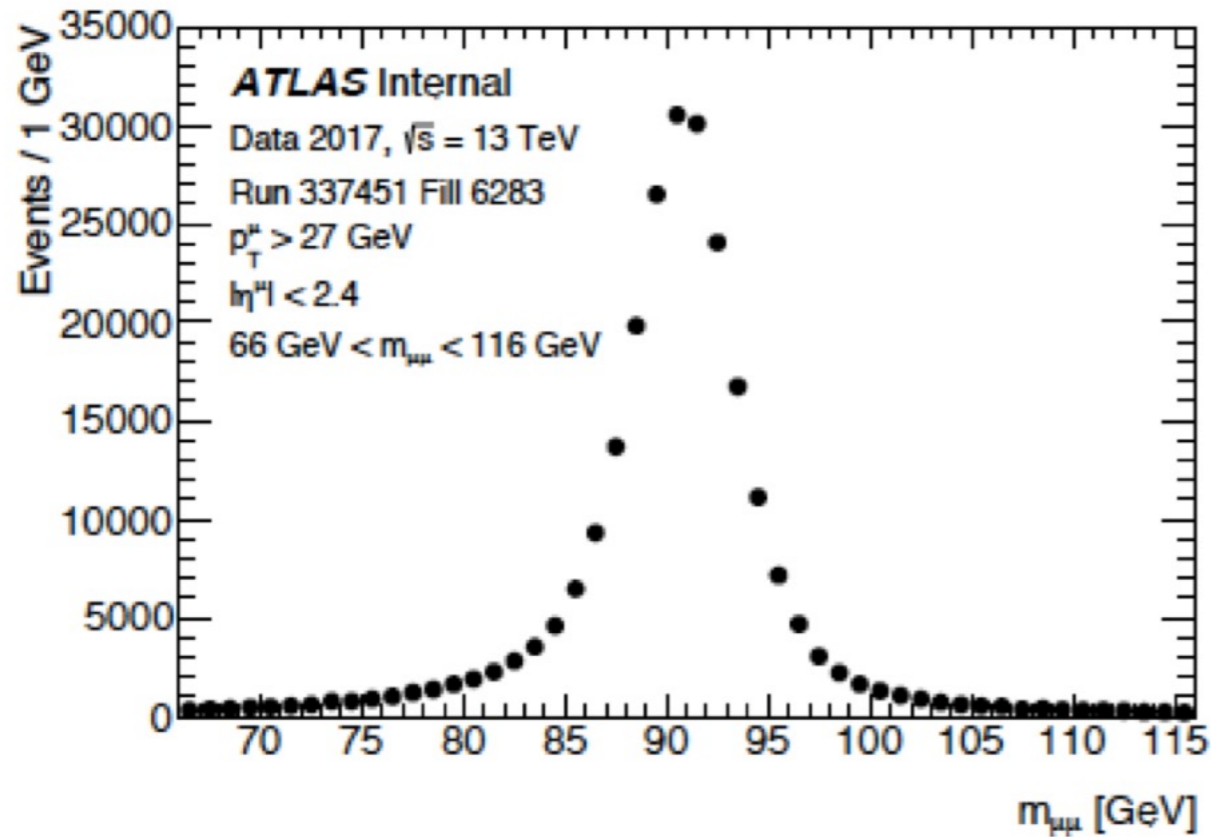


Comparison among different monitors





Z counting



The invariant mass distribution of the muon pairs of the 240,000 $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ boson events selecting

- two muons with $p_T > 27$ GeV,
- $|\eta| < 2.4$
- $66 < m_{\mu\mu} < 116$ GeV.

The statistical errors are smaller than the symbol size.

Comparison between Z counting and L_{Lucid}



Backup slides



Luminosity Determination @ LHC (old slide)

Absolute Methods:

Determination from LHC parameters; van-der-Meer separation scans ...
Rate measurement for standard candle processes ...

LHC Examples:

Rate of $pp \rightarrow Z/W \rightarrow \ell\ell/\ell\nu$ [needs: electroweak cross sections]

Rate of $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu\mu, ee$ [needs: QED & photon flux]

Optical theorem: $\sigma_{tot} \sim \text{Im} f(0)$ [needs: forward elastic and total inel. x-sec]

Elastic scattering in Coulomb region ...

Combination of the above ...

Accuracy: from 10%-
To today ~3%

Accuracy: 5-10%
[PDF knowledge, ...]

Accuracy: 1-5% ?
[TDR; needs forw. tagging]

[needs σ_{tot} ; needs forw. instrumentation]
Accuracy: 5-10%

Accuracy: 2-3%

TOTEM

Relative Methods:

Particle counting; using Cherenkov monitors [e.g. LUCID @ ATLAS]
[needs to be calibrated for absolute luminosity]

Aim: Luminosity accuracy of 2-3% ...