

The LHC: the Large Hadron Collider

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Outline

- Why the LHC ?
- CERN and the accelerator complex
- How LHC works: a synchrotron collider
- Luminosity
- Superconductivity and accelerators
- LHC optics
- How to protect the LHC
- Hints for the future

The idea is that the lectures:

- a) should not be a monologue, stop me and ask if you don't get the point
- b) should show why things are like this, how they work, how they look like

SPEECH DELIVERED BY PROFESSOR NIELS BOHR
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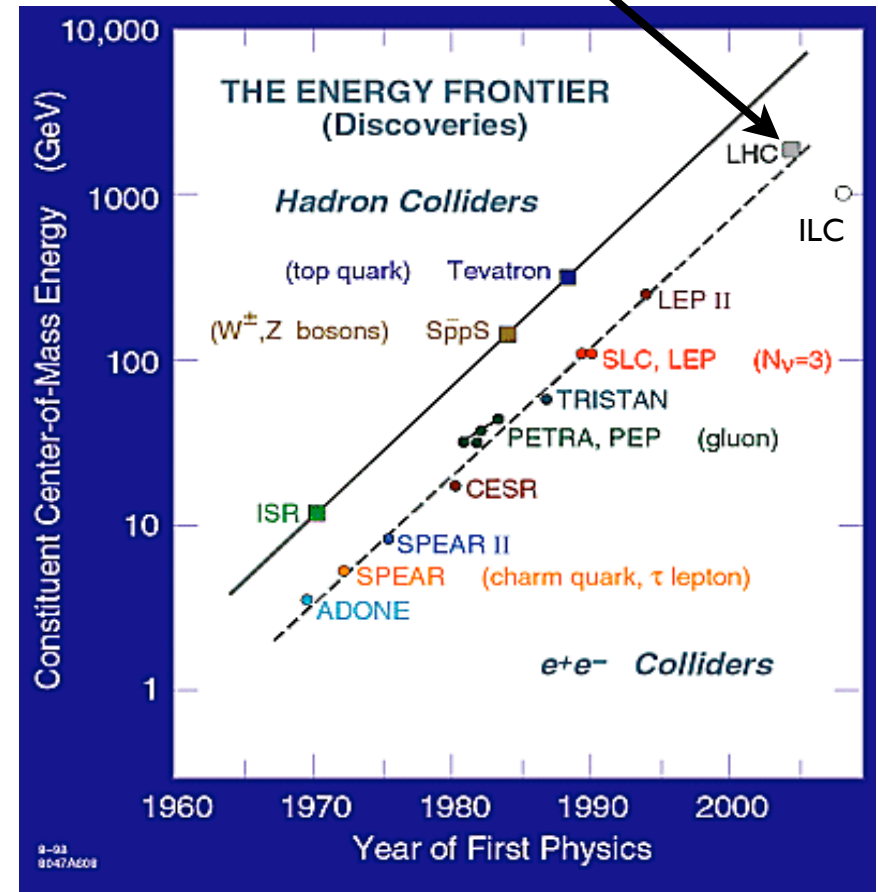
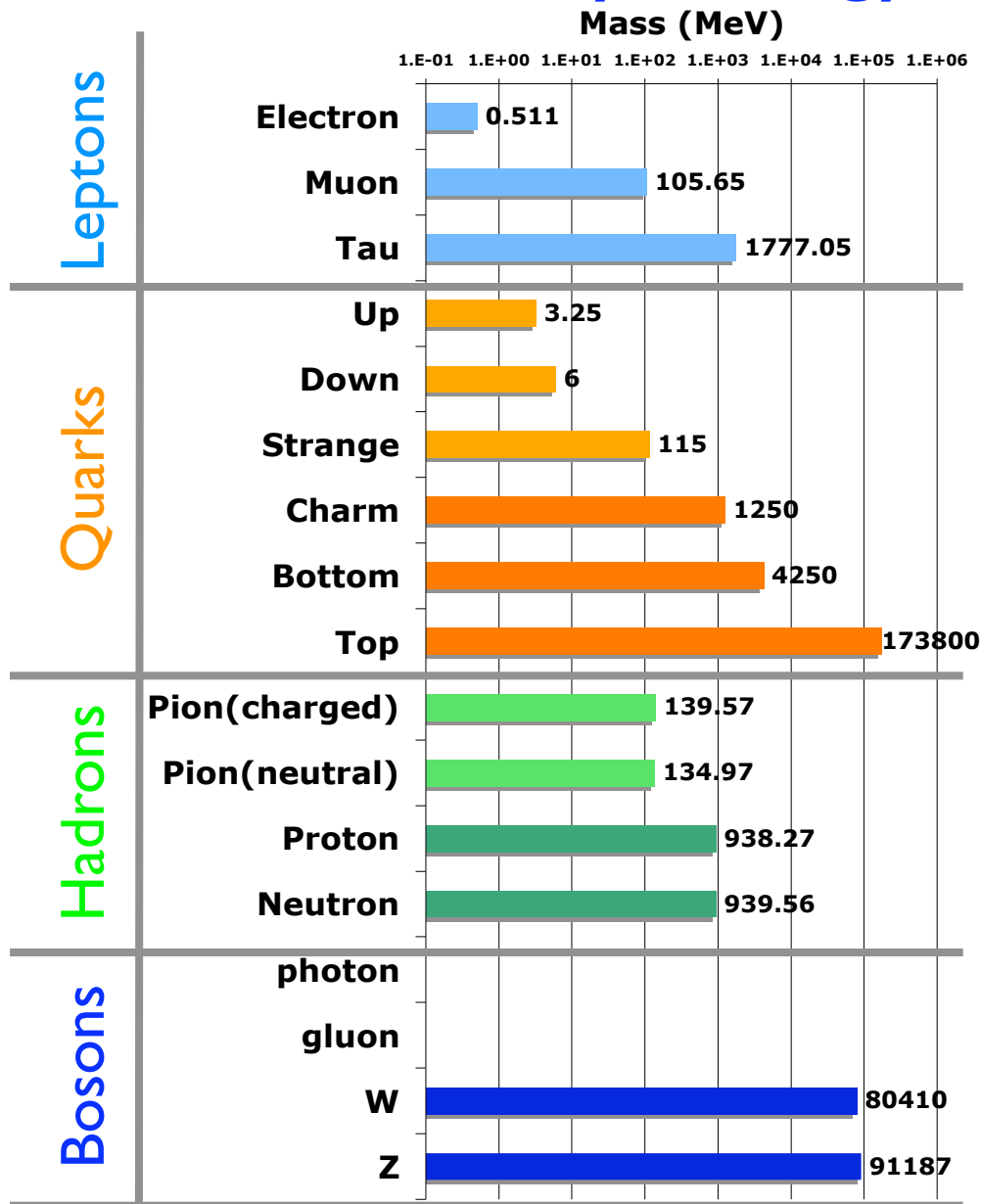
It may perhaps seem odd that apparatus as big and as complex as our gigantic proton synchrotron is needed for the investigation of the smallest objects we know about. However, just as the wave features of light propagation make huge telescopes necessary for the measurement of small angles between rays from distant stars, so the very character of the laws governing the properties of the many new elementary particles which have been discovered in recent years, and especially their transmutations in violent collisions, can only be studied by using atomic particles accelerated to immense energies. Actually we are here confronted with most challenging problems at the border of physical knowledge, the exploration of which promises to give us a deeper understanding of the laws responsible for the very existence and stability of matter.

All the ingredients are there: we need **high energy particles** produced by **large accelerators** to study the **matter constituents** and their **interactions laws**. This also true for the LHC

Small detail... Bohr was not completely right, the “**new**” **elementary particles** are not elementary but mesons, namely formed by quarks

History/Energy line vs discovery

Higgs and super-symmetry ?
Or something else maybe



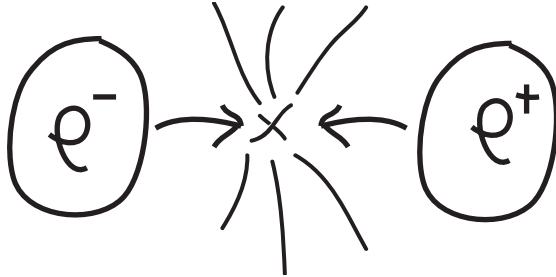
Obs: you can notice different particle species used in the different colliders

electron-positrons and hadron colliders (either p-p as Tevatron, p-p as LHC)

Constant increase in energy to discover heavier and heavier particles or rare processes.
Energy is not a free parameter for colliders: it is given by the physics one wants to do
 Obviously, the higher the better ... but then, why the ILC has less energy than the LHC ? (see next)

The proper particle for the proper scope

Electrons (and positrons) are (so far) point like particles: no internal structure



The energy of the collider, namely two times the energy of the beam colliding is totally transferred into the collision

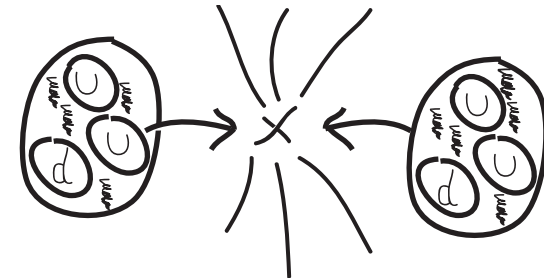
$$E_{\text{coll}} = E_{b1} + E_{b2} = 2E_b = 200 \text{ GeV (LEP)}$$

Pros: the energy can be precisely tuned to scan for example, a mass region.

Precision measurement (LEP)

Cons: above a certain energy is no more possible to use electrons because of too high synchrotron radiation

Protons (and antiprotons) are formed by quarks (uud) kept together by gluons



The energy of each beam is carried by the proton constituents, and it is not the entire proton which collides, but one of his constituent

$$E_{\text{coll}} (\text{about } 1 \text{ TeV LHC}) < 2 E_b (14 \text{ TeV})$$

Pros: with a single energy possible to scan different processes at different energies.

Discovery machine (LHC)

Cons: the energy available for the collision is lower than the accelerator energy

What is the LHC ?

LHC: Large Hadron Collider

LHC is a **collider** and **synchrotron storage ring**:

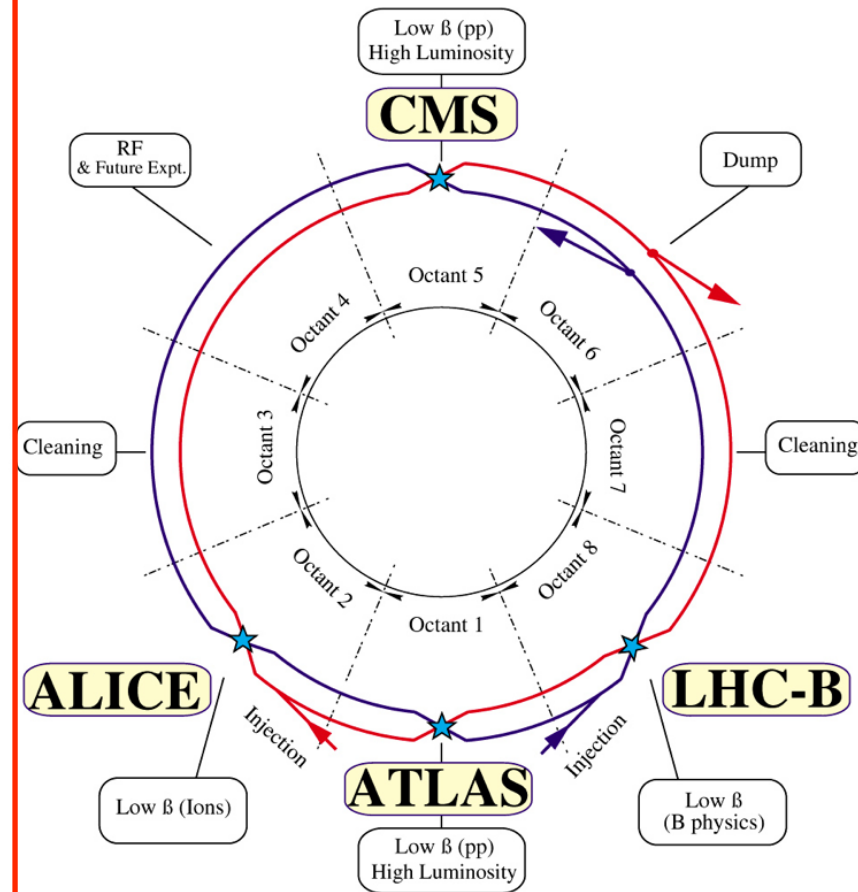
ILC is a collider but is not a synchrotron storage ring

Large: high energy needs large bending radius due to the maximum magnetic field existing technology can produce
26.7 km circumference

Hadrons: $p\ p$ collision \Rightarrow synchrotron radiation and discovery machine.

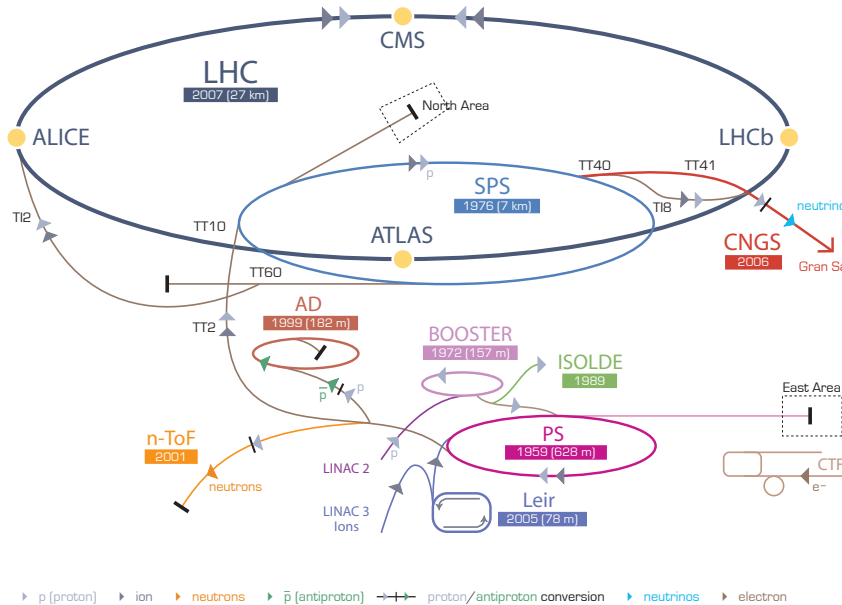
**Collider: particles are stored in two separated rings which are synchrotrons, and accelerated from injection energy (450 GeV) to 7 TeV.
At 7 TeV the two beams are forced to cross in collision points to interact.**

The beams are stored at 7 TeV for few 10 h to produced collisions. When the intensity is too low, the two rings are emptied and the process of injecting, accelerating, storing and colliding is restarted, until one finds the higgs or supersymmetry... then one needs a bottle of Champaign and a nobel price ...

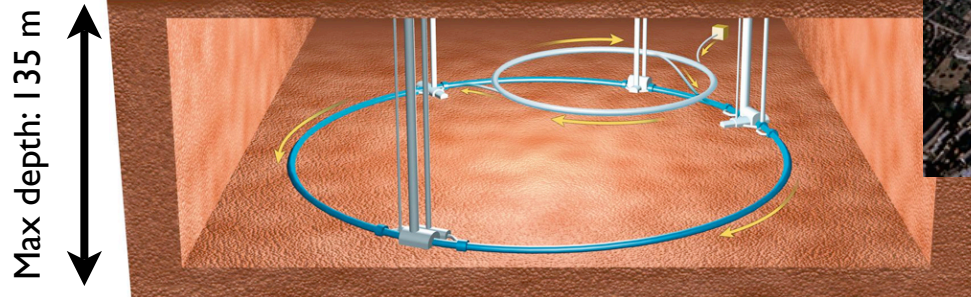


Where is the LHC ?

CERN Accelerator Complex



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 AD Antiproton Decelerator CTF3 Clic Test Facility CNGS Cern Neutrinos to Gran Sasso ISOLDE Isotope Separator OnLine DEvice
 LEIR Low Energy Ion Ring LINAC LINear ACcelerator n-ToF Neutrons Time Of Flight



Intersection point	Tunnel		LEP 200	LHC
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London tube: 24 m depth

Synchrotron (1952, 3 GeV, BNL)

New concept of circular accelerator. The magnetic field of the bending magnet varies with time.
As particles accelerate, the B field is increased proportionally.
The frequency of the RF cavity, used to accelerate the particles has also to change.

Particle rigidity: $B\rho = \frac{p}{e}$

$B = B(t)$ magnetic field from the bending magnets

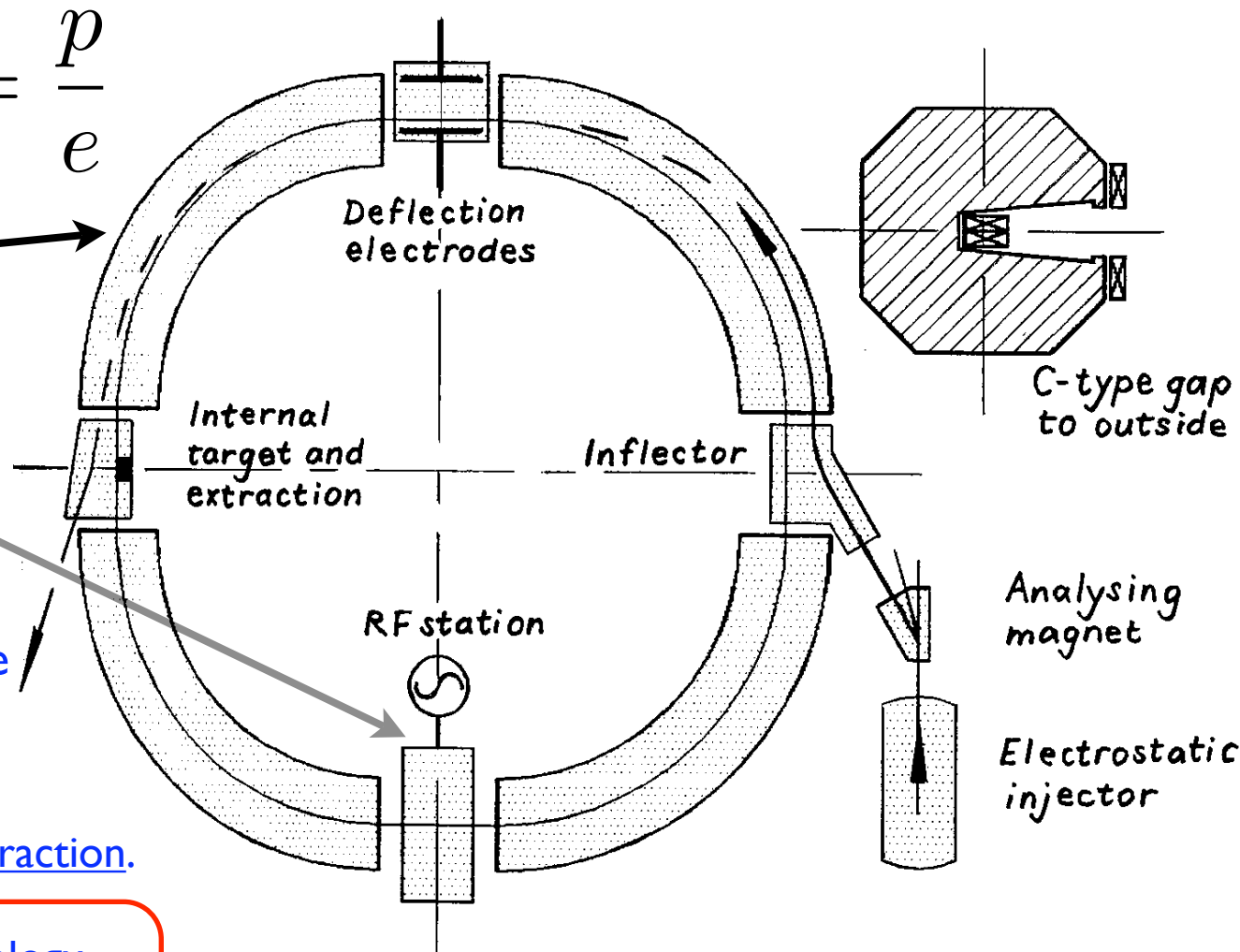
$p = p(t)$ particle momentum varies by the RF cavity

e electric charge

ρ constant radius of curvature

Magnetic elements for injection and extraction.

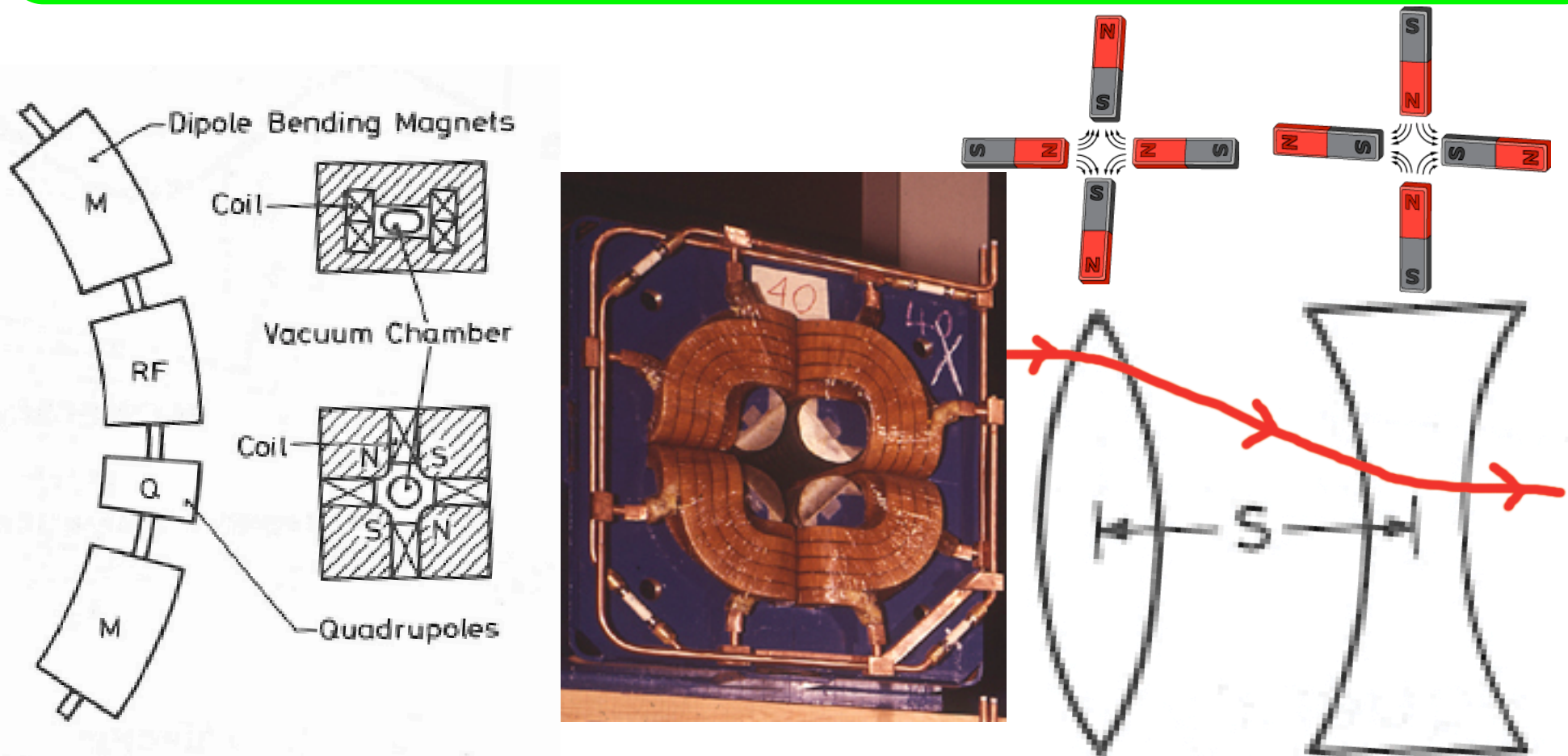
Bending strength limited by used technology to max ~ 1 T for room temperature conductors



Weak focusing machine: no quadrupoles yet
Strong focusing machine, using quadrupoles, were proposed in 1952

Synchrotrons: strong focusing machine

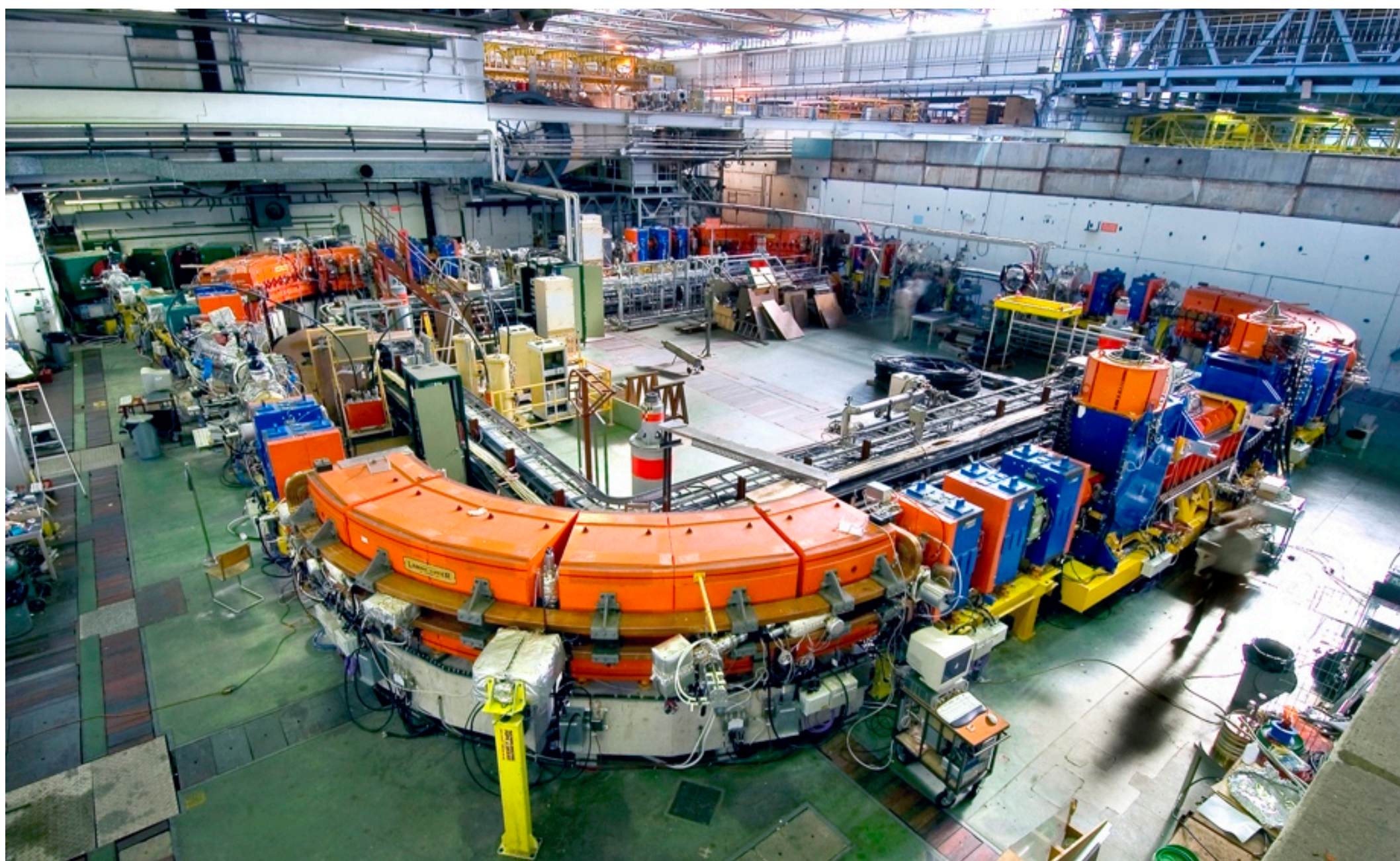
Dipoles are interleaved with quadrupoles to focus the beam. Quadrupoles act on charged particles as lens for light. By alternating focusing and defocusing lens (Alternating Gradient quadrupoles) the beam dimension is kept small (even few μm^2).



Typical lattice is FODO
focusing drift defocusing

Modern particles accelerators for high energy up to LHC energy (7 TeV) work in this way.

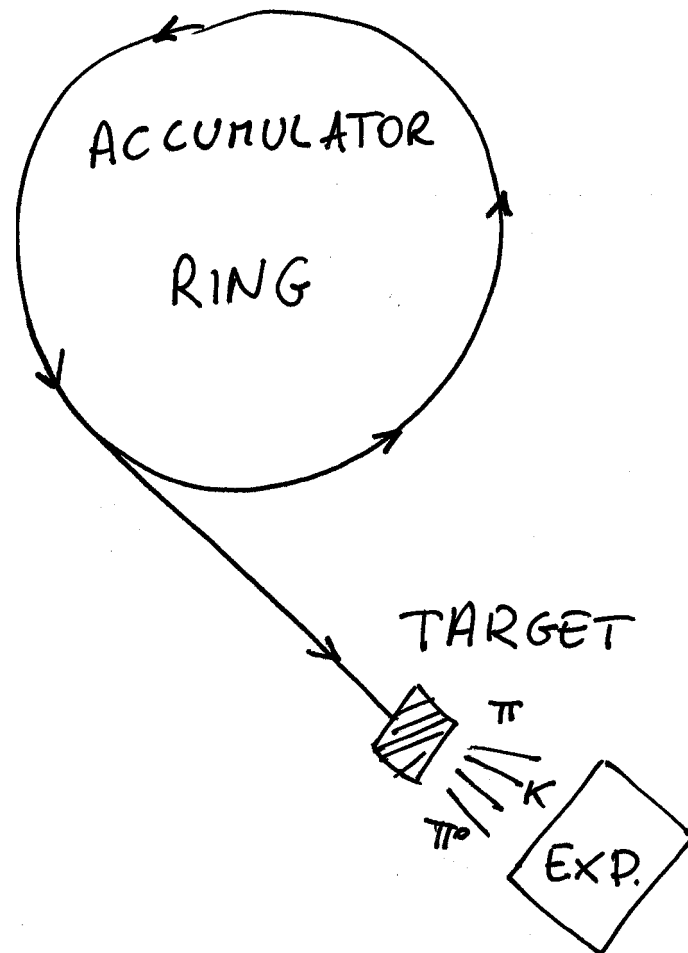
A synchrotron in a view: LEIR (Low Energy Ion Ring)



but this is for 4.2 MeV/nucl Pb ions... let climb the energy scale

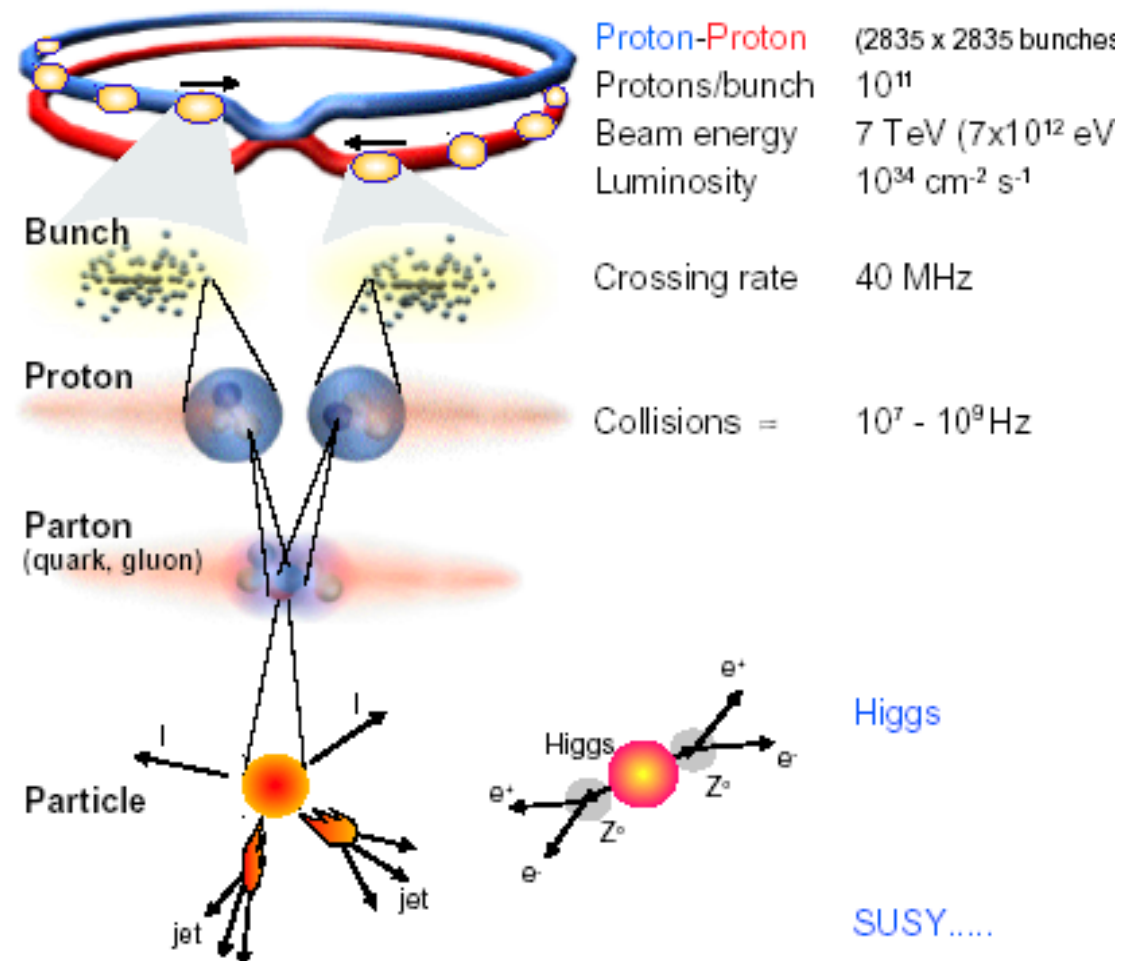
Different approaches: fixed target vs collider

Fixed target



$$E_{CM} = \sqrt{2(E_{beam}mc^2 + m^2c^4)}$$

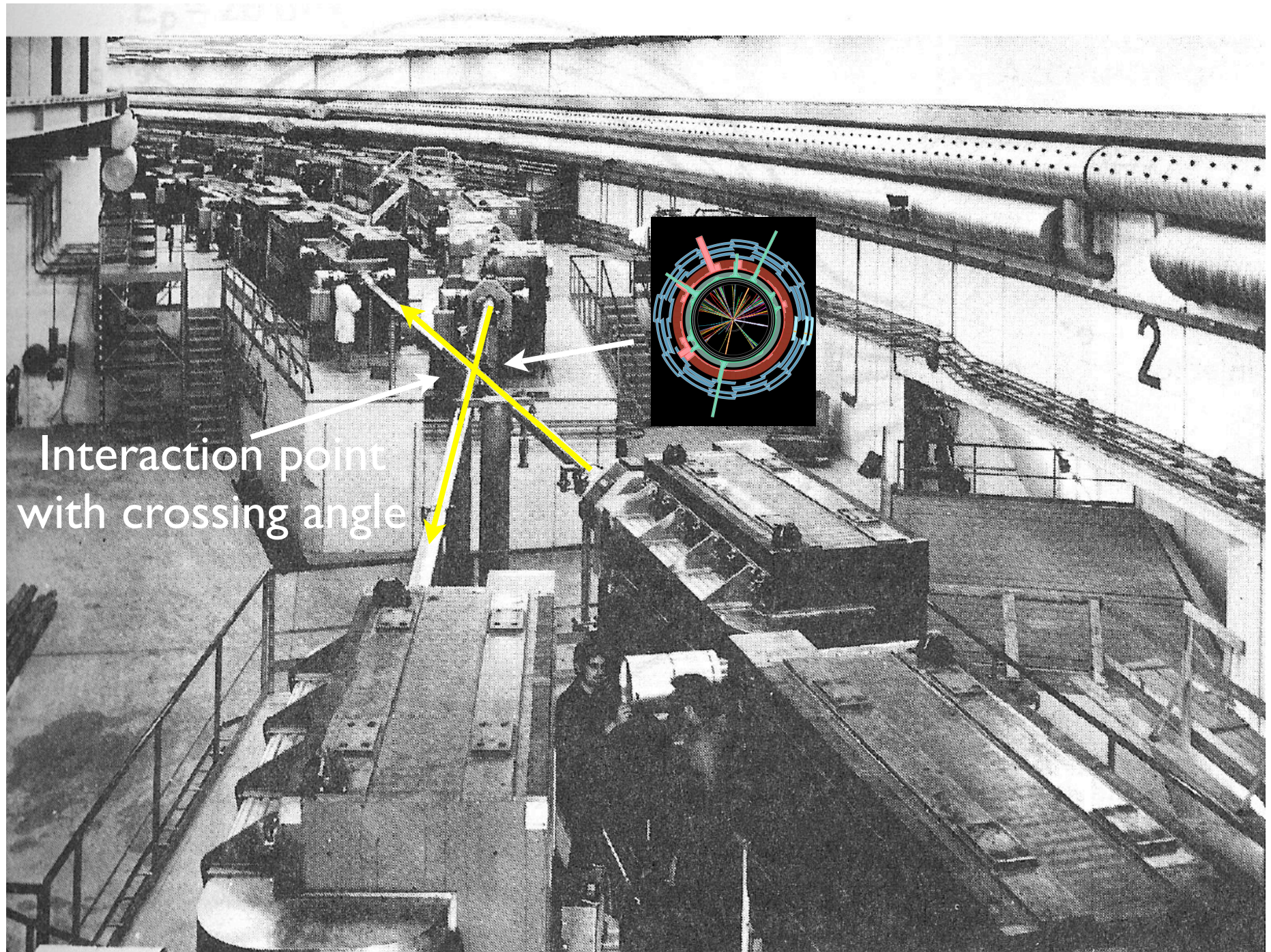
Storage ring/collider



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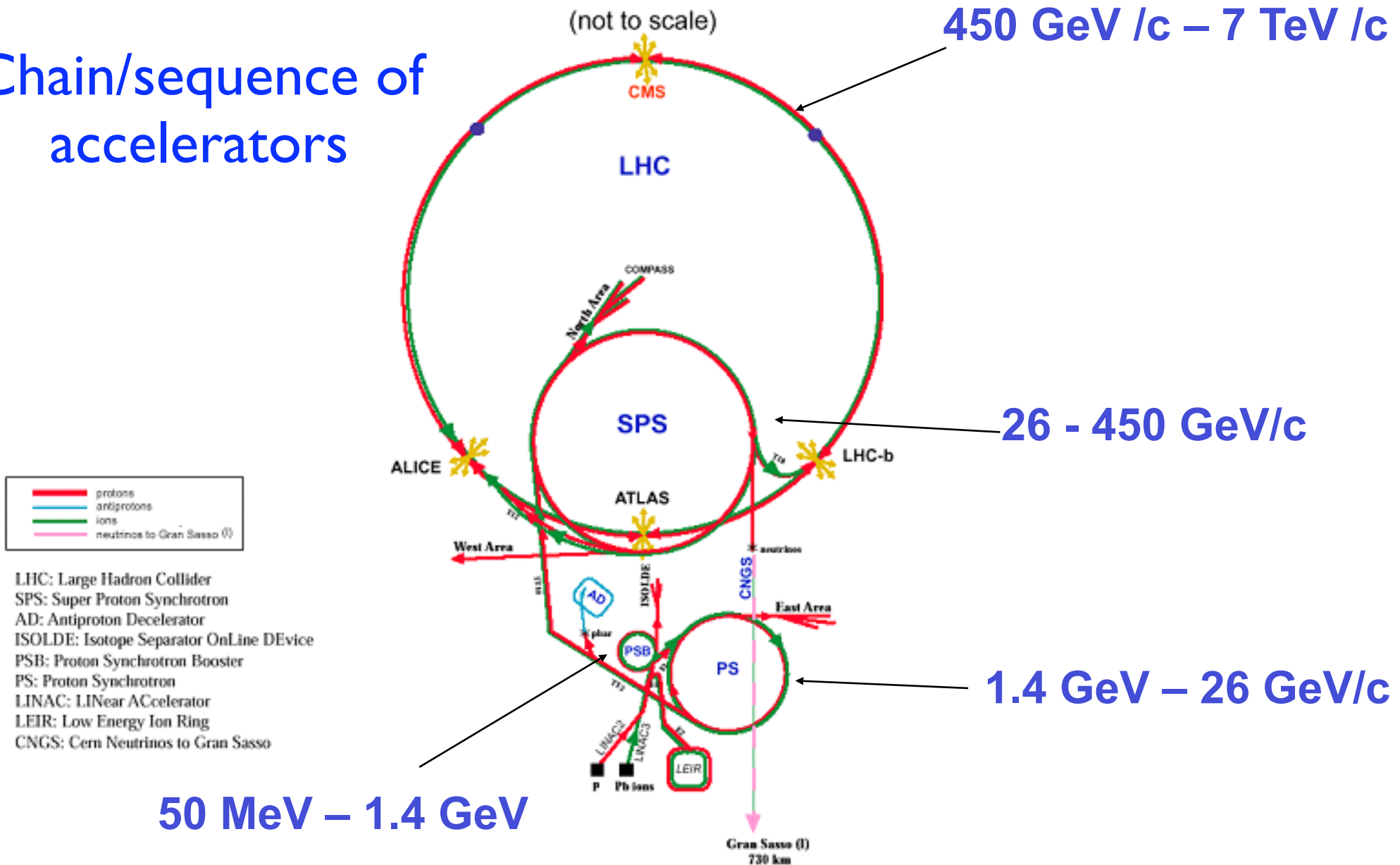
This usually is defined as \sqrt{s}

ISR, the first proton-proton collider

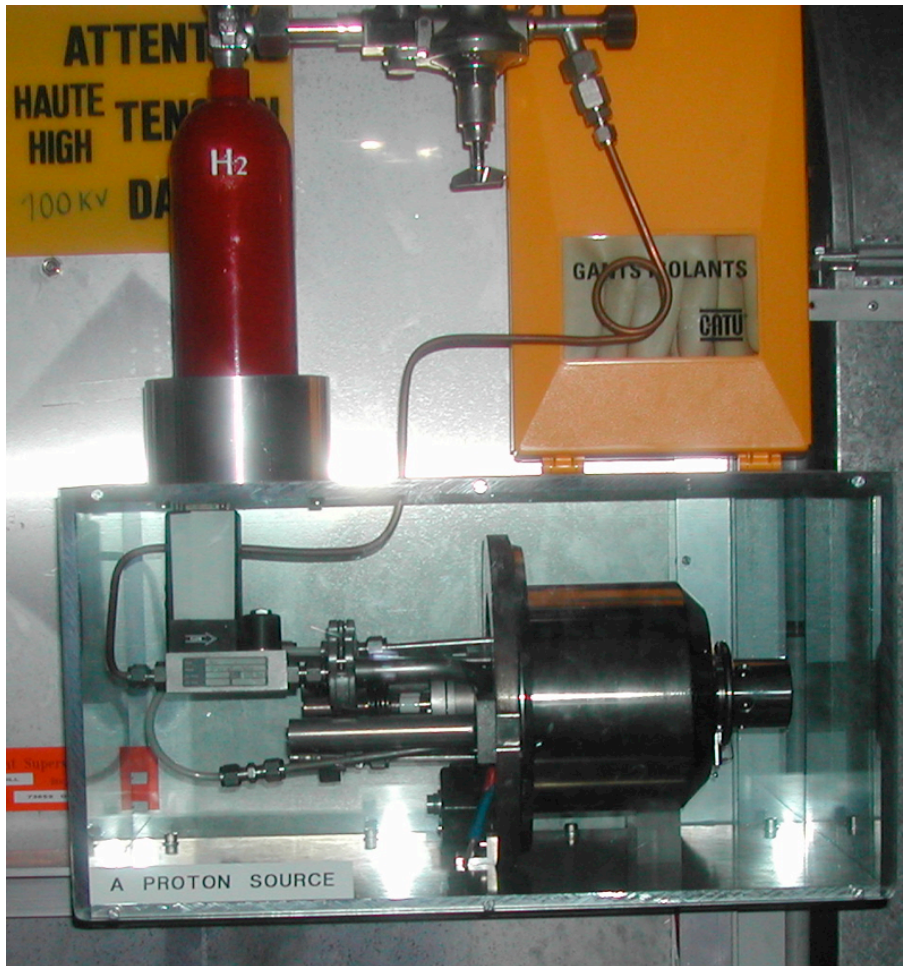


CERN accelerator complex overview

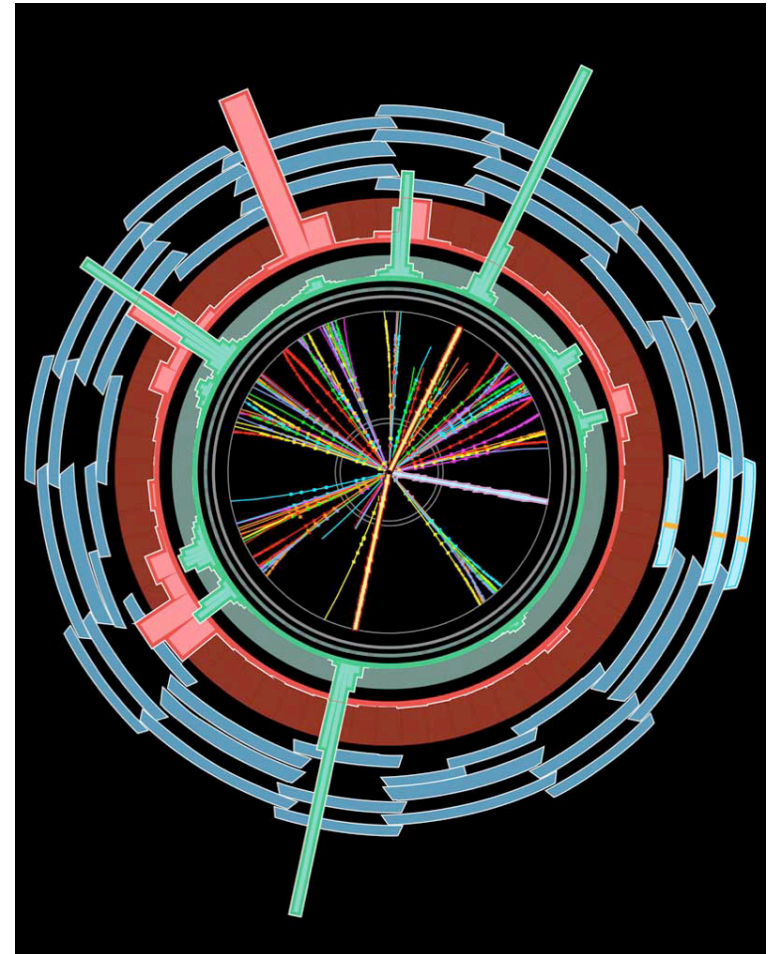
Chain/sequence of accelerators



Basically the injector chains brings you ...



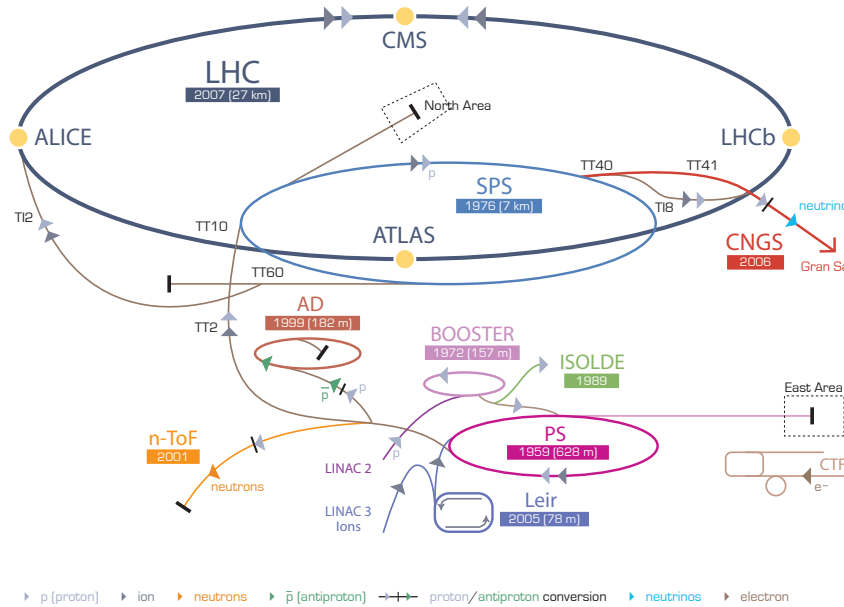
from nearly a bottle of hydrogen



to a little bit before this

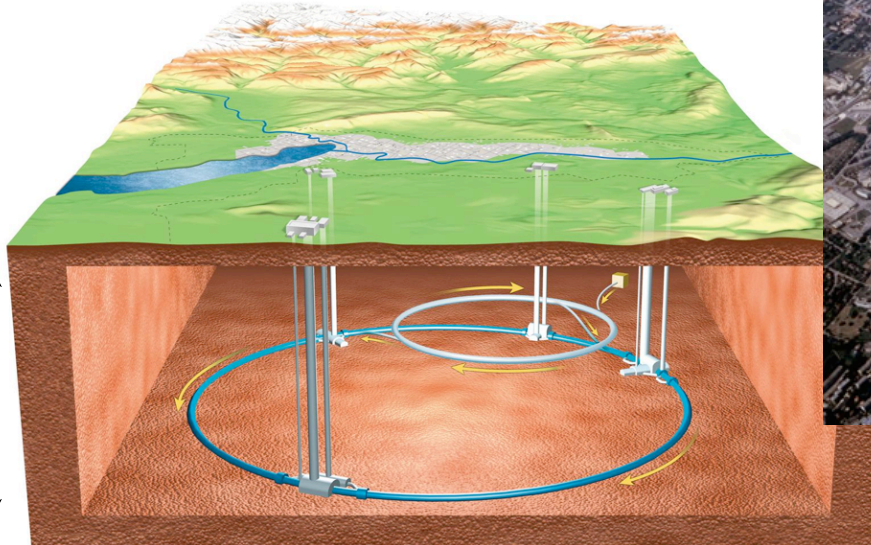
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Max depth: 135 m

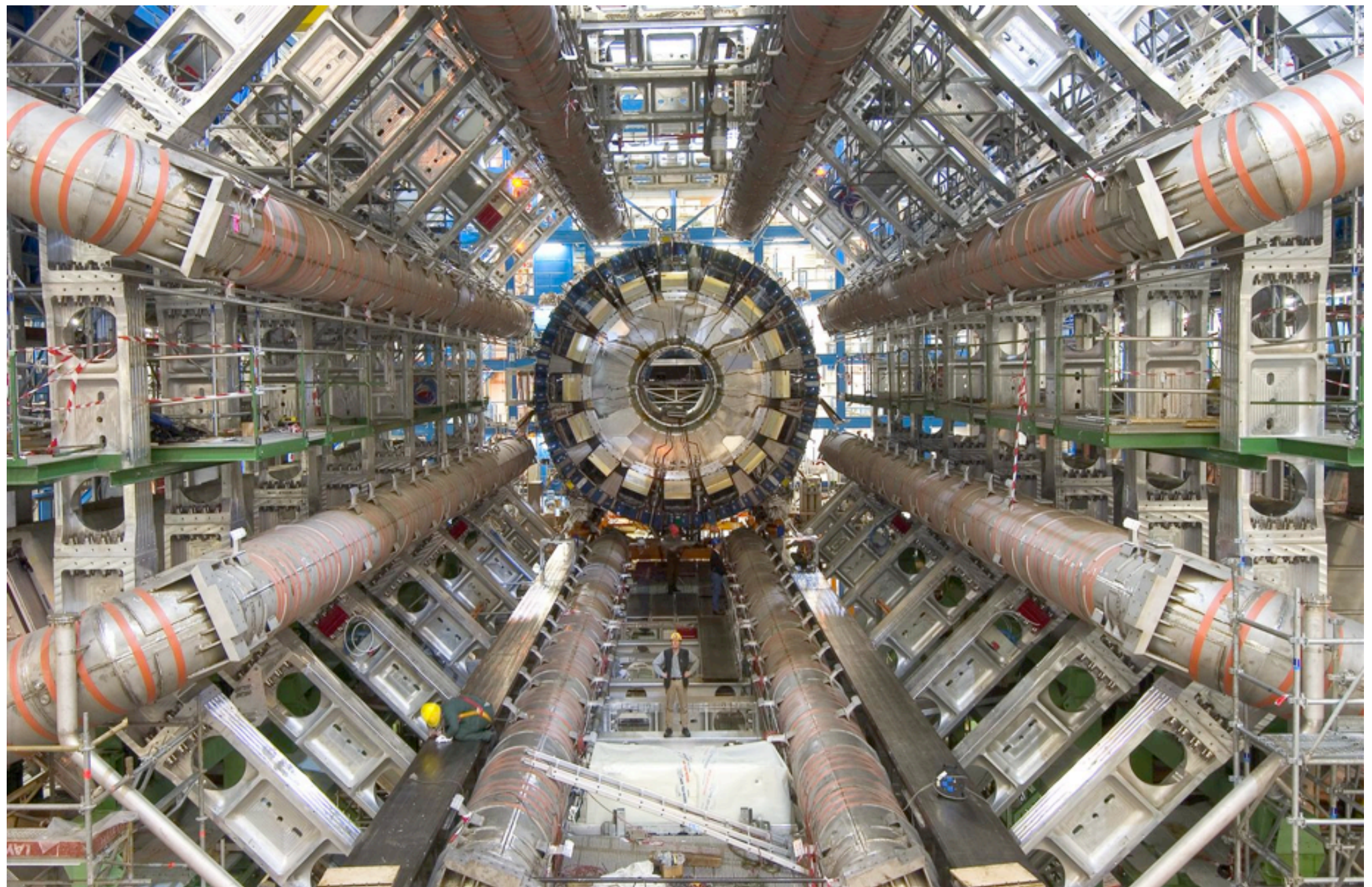


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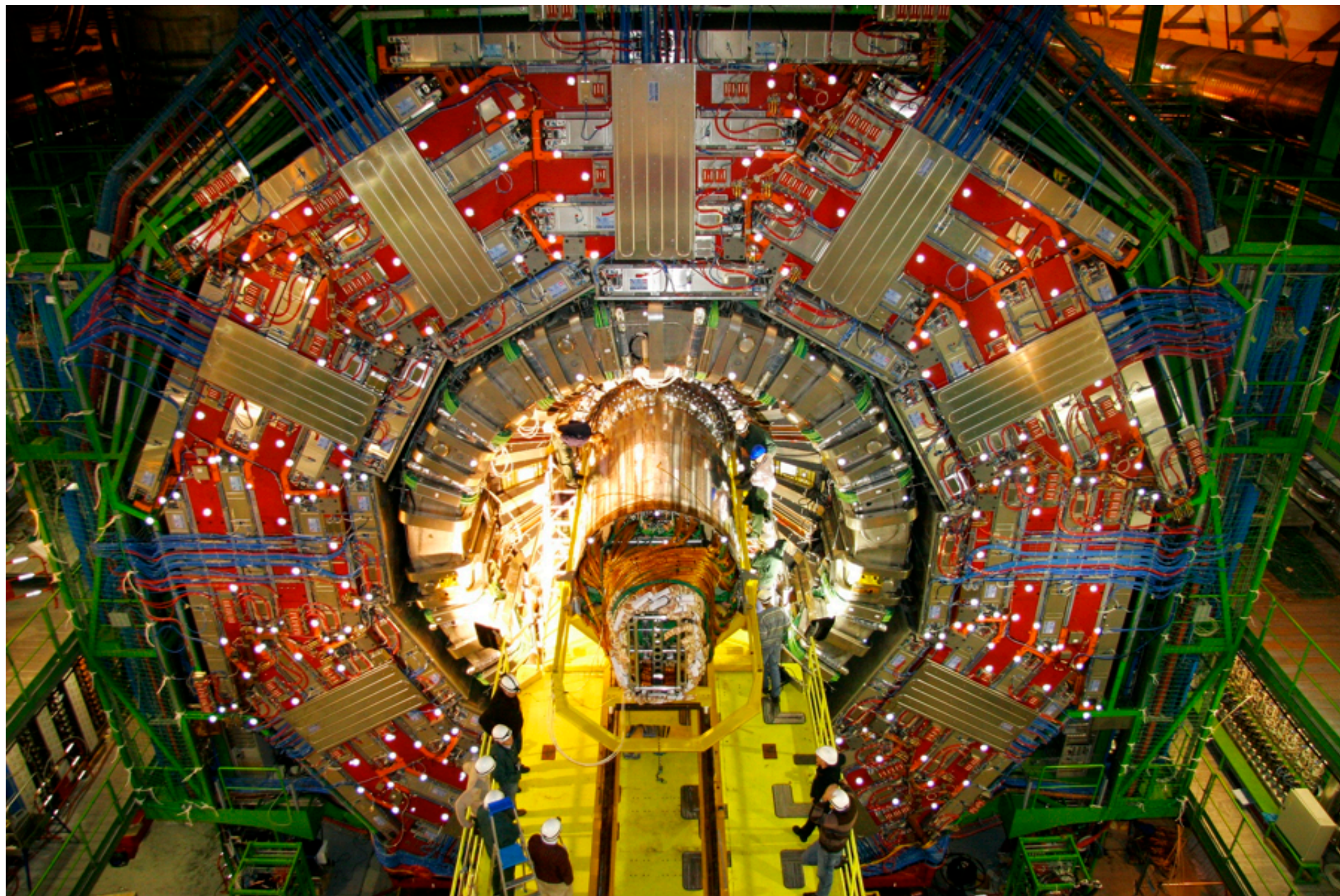


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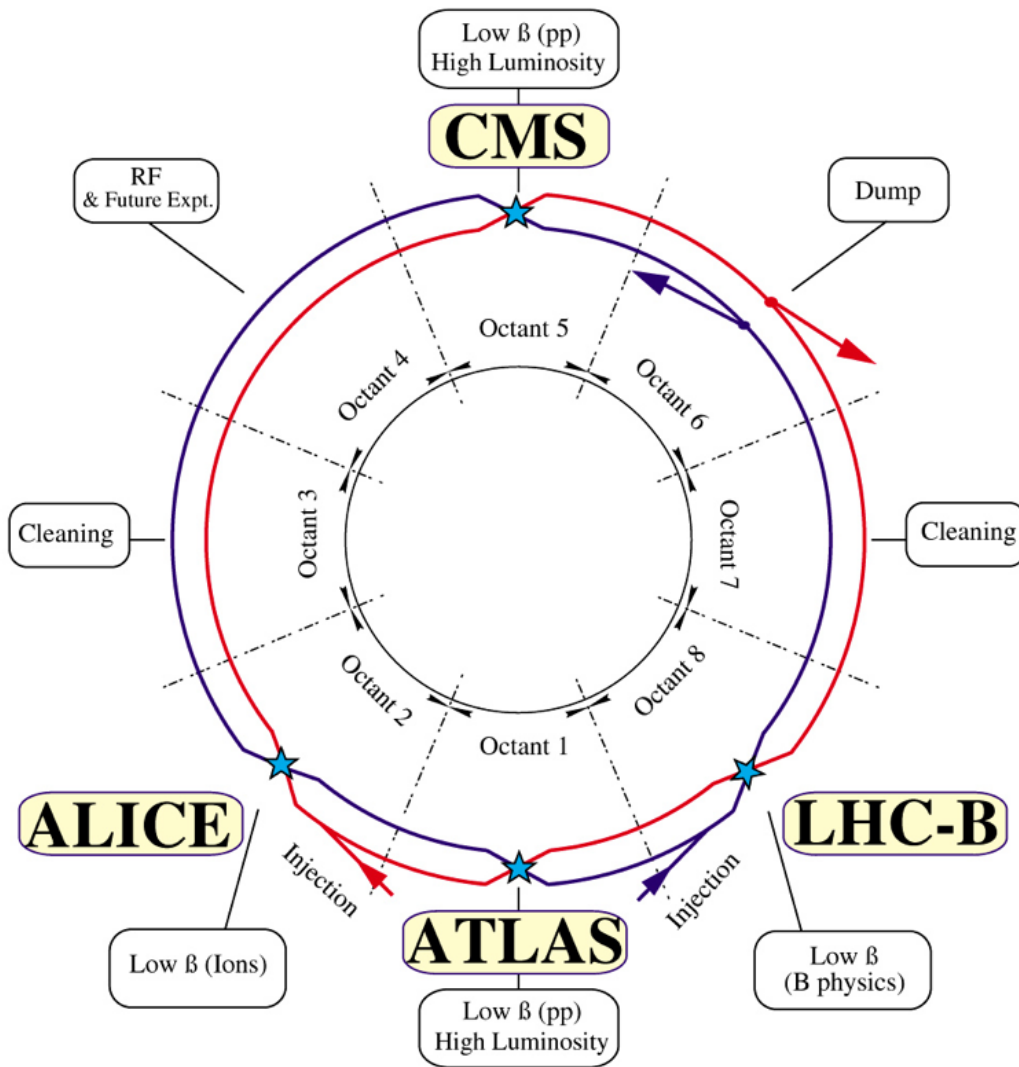
ATLAS



CMS



LHC layout and few parameters



Particle type	protons (heavy ions, Pb82+)
Energy	450 GeV (injection) 7 TeV (collision energy) 2,75 TeV/u (ions collision)
Circumference	26658 m
Revolution frequency	11,245 kHz
Number of rings	1 (two-in-one magnet design)
Number of accelerators	2 (2 independent RF system)
Interaction Points (IP) or Collision Points or Low beta insertions	4 (ATLAS, CMS, ALICE, LHCb)
Cleaning insertions or collimation insertions	2
Beam dump extractions	2
RF insertion	1

LHC cost ~1,899.64 MEUR, without the tunnel... ONE F1 season costs about 1,500 MEUR

The LHC-lattice terminology

Reference Frame for the lectures:

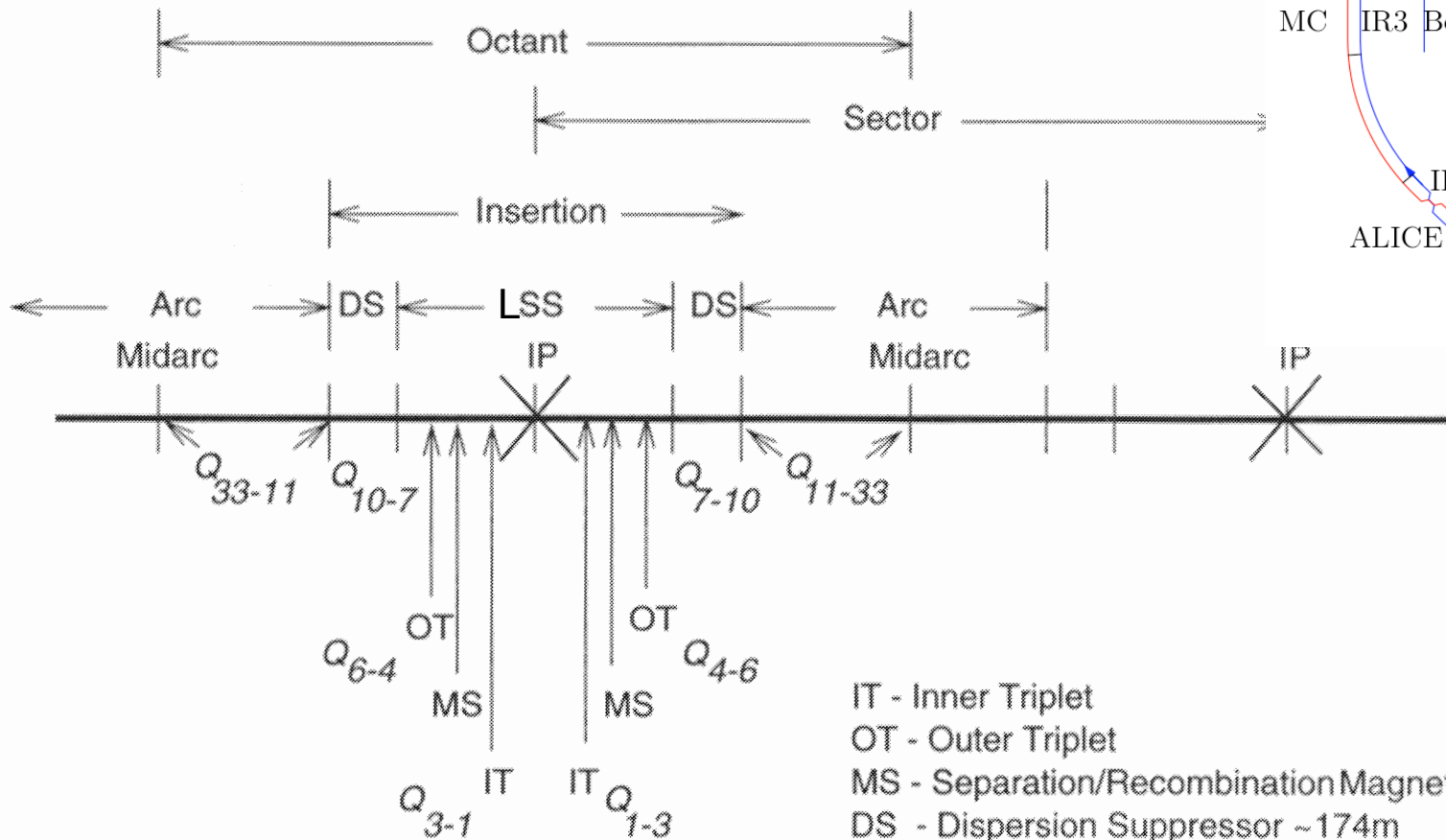
x is the horizontal coordinate, positive means outside the ring

y is the vertical coordinate, positive means up

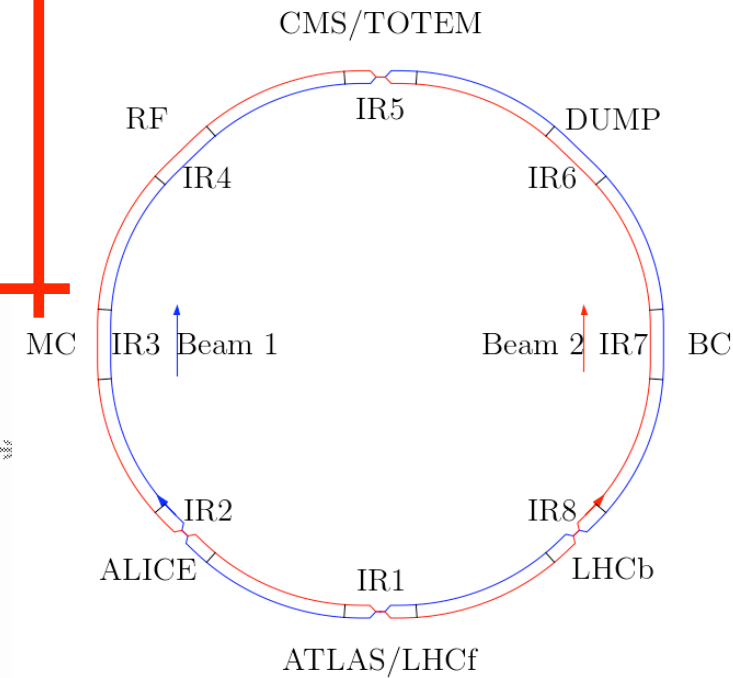
z is the direction of the particles,

positive clockwise for beam 1

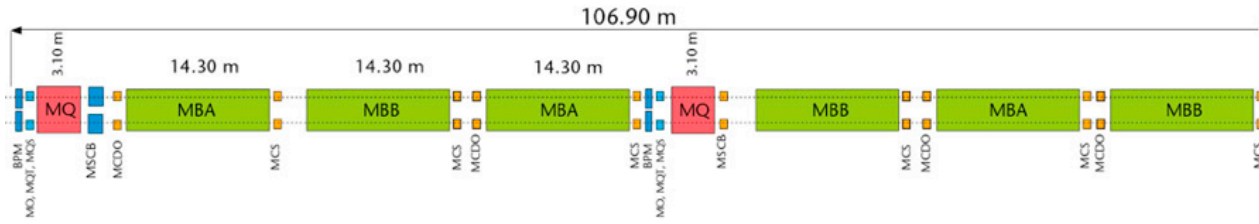
positive anticlockwise for beam 2



IT - Inner Triplet
 OT - Outer Triplet
 MS - Separation/Recombination Magnet
 DS - Dispersion Suppressor ~174m
 LSS - Straight Section ~528m (Long straight section)
 Arc ~ 2460m



Basics components of the LHC



Regular ARC

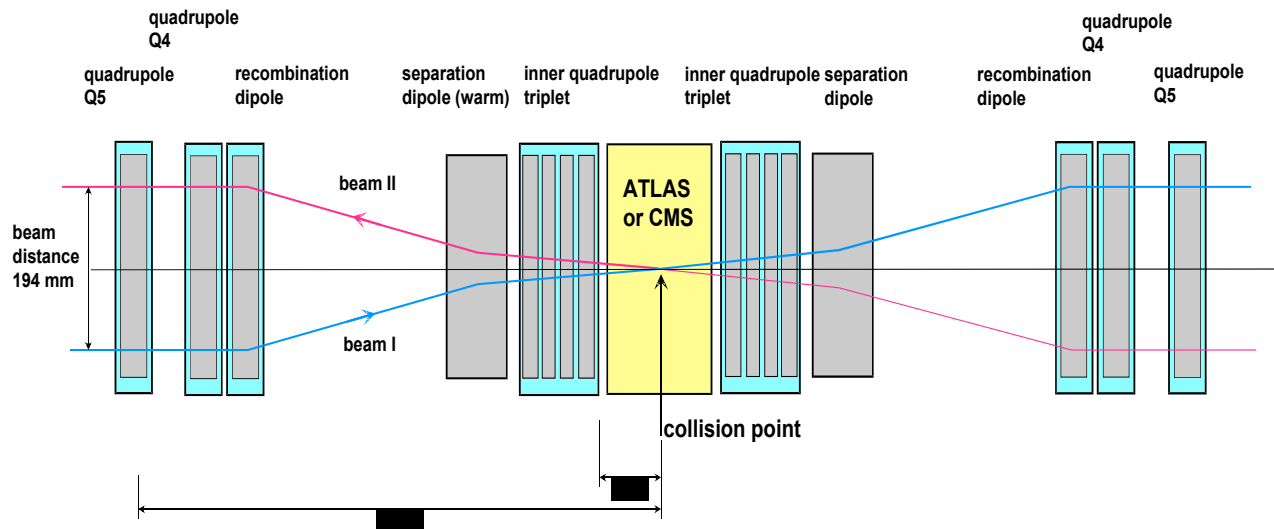
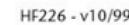
MQ: Lattice Quadrupole
MO: Landau Octupole
MQT: Tuning Quadrupole
MQS: Skew Quadrupole
MSCB: Combined Lattice Sextupole (MS) or skew sextupole (MSS) and Orbit Corrector (MCB)
BPM: Beam position monitor
MBA: Dipole magnet Type A
MBB: Dipole magnet Type B
MCS: Local Sextupole corrector
MCDO: Local combined decapole and octupole corrector

Synchrotron:

a) dipoles to bend particles with increasing field vs time i.e. vs energy

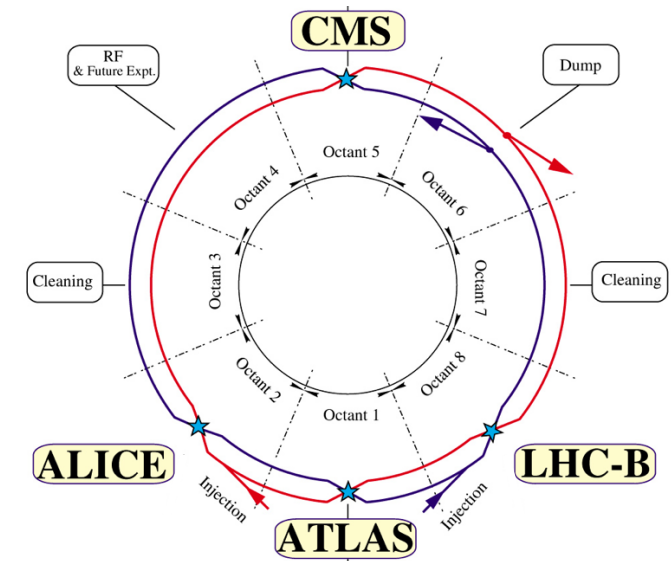
b) quadrupoles to focus the beam and keep it in the aperture. FODO

c) interaction point with final focusing to collide the two beams

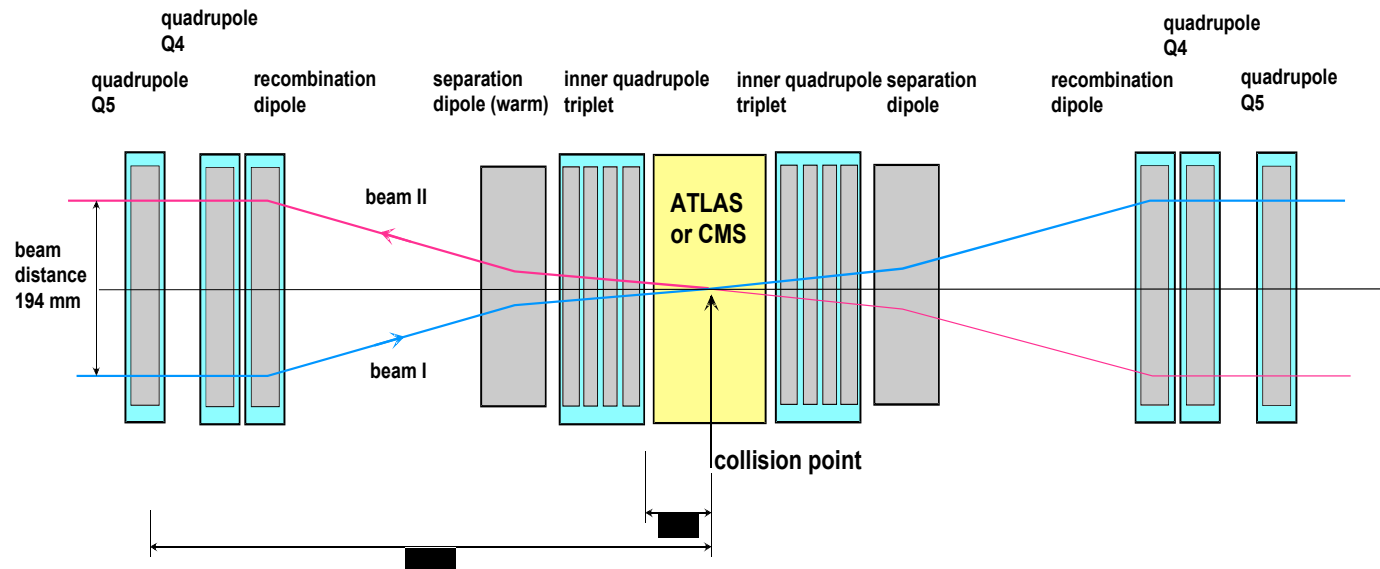


Example for an LHC insertion with ATLAS or CMS

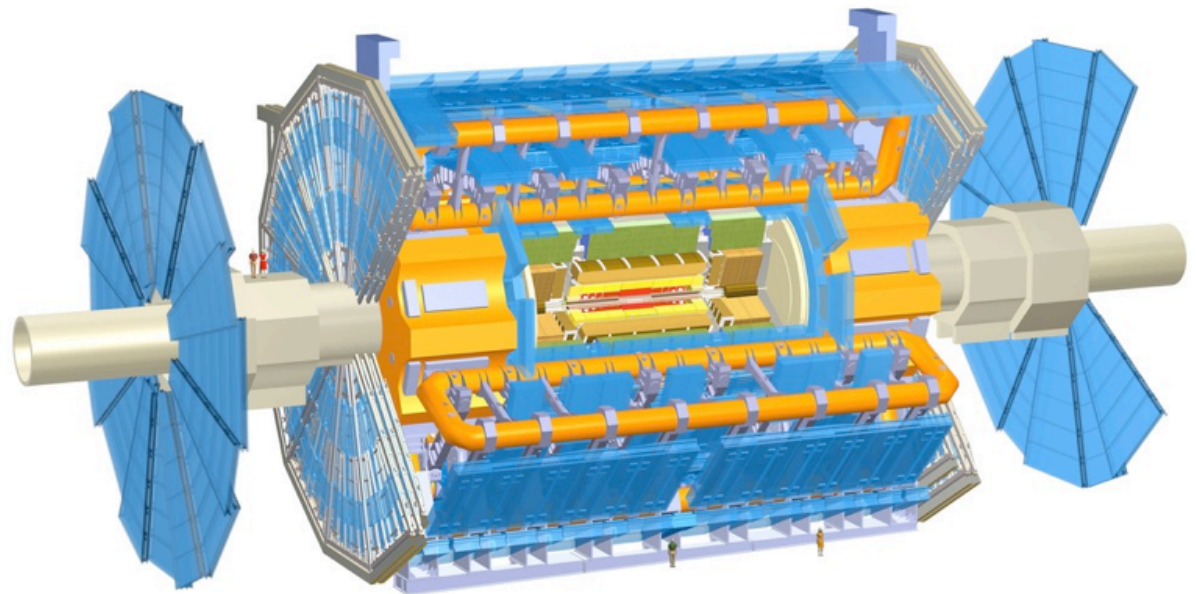
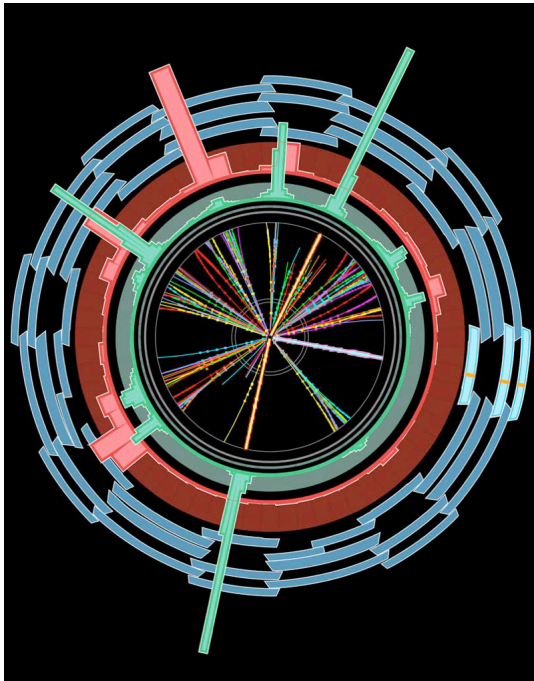
Interaction points



Let start with collisions

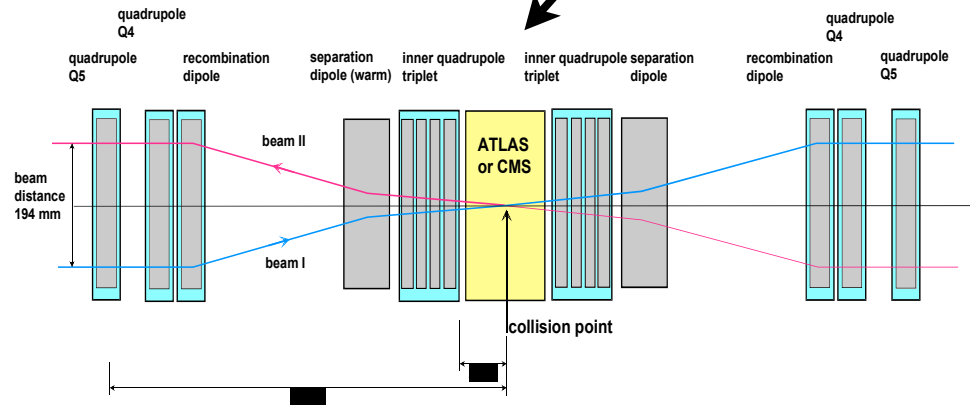


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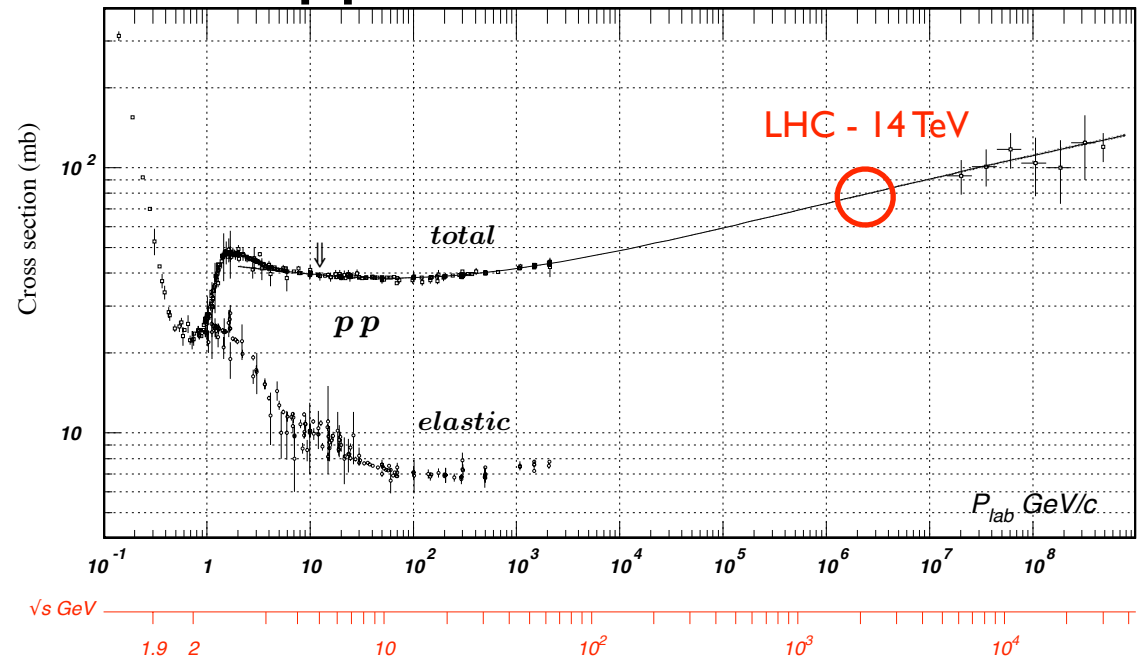
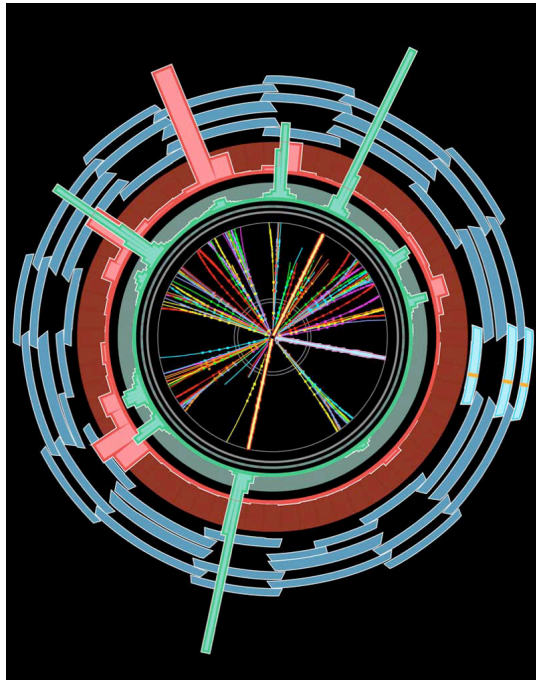
Luminosity

$$N_{event} = L \sigma_{event}$$

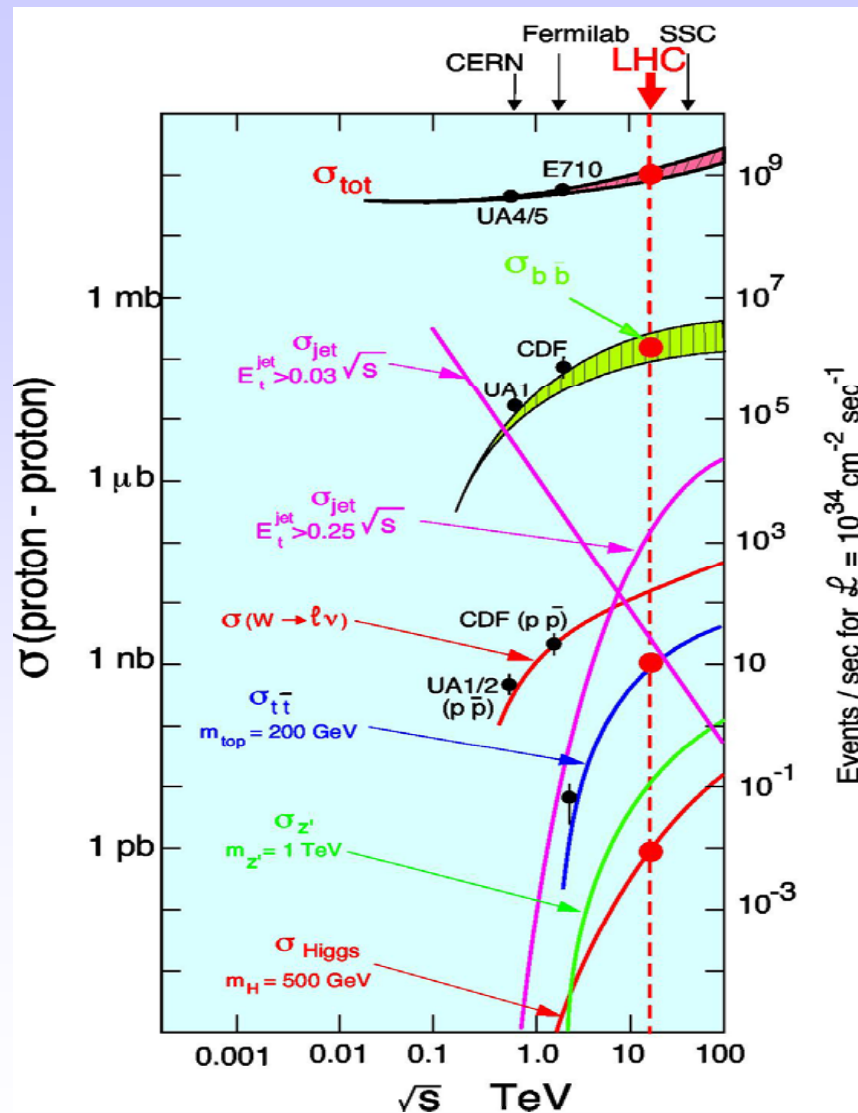


Example for an LHC insertion with ATLAS or CMS

pp cross section



Cross Sections and Production Rates



Rates for $L = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$: (LHC)

• Inelastic proton-proton reactions:	$10^9 / \text{s}$
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• bb pairs	$5 \cdot 10^6 / \text{s}$
• tt pairs	$8 / \text{s}$

• $W \rightarrow e \nu$	$150 / \text{s}$
• $Z \rightarrow e e$	$15 / \text{s}$

• Higgs (150 GeV)	$0.2 / \text{s}$
• Gluino, Squarks (1 TeV)	$0.03 / \text{s}$

LHC is a factory for:
top-quarks, b-quarks, W, Z, Higgs,

The only problem: you have to detect them !

Luminosity

Number of particles per bunch

$$N_{\text{beam1}} * N_{\text{beam2}} = N^2$$

Revolution frequency

Number of bunches

$$L = \frac{N^2 \cdot f \cdot n_b}{4\pi \cdot \sigma_x^* \cdot \sigma_y^*} \cdot F$$

Geometric Reduction factor
due to crossing angle

Beam dimension at the IP

$$\sigma_{x,y}^* = \sqrt{\beta_{x,y}^* \cdot \epsilon_{x,y}}$$

$$F = 1 / \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\theta_c \sigma_z}{2 \cdot \sigma^*} \right)^2}$$

At first look, the smaller the better

Definition of beam emittance

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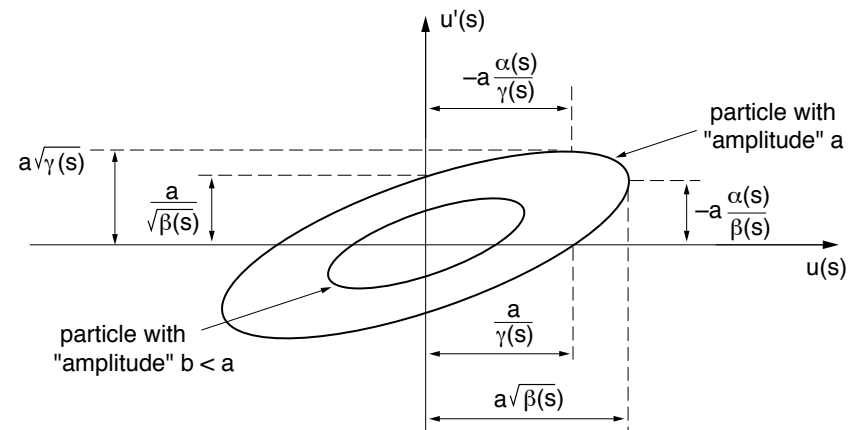
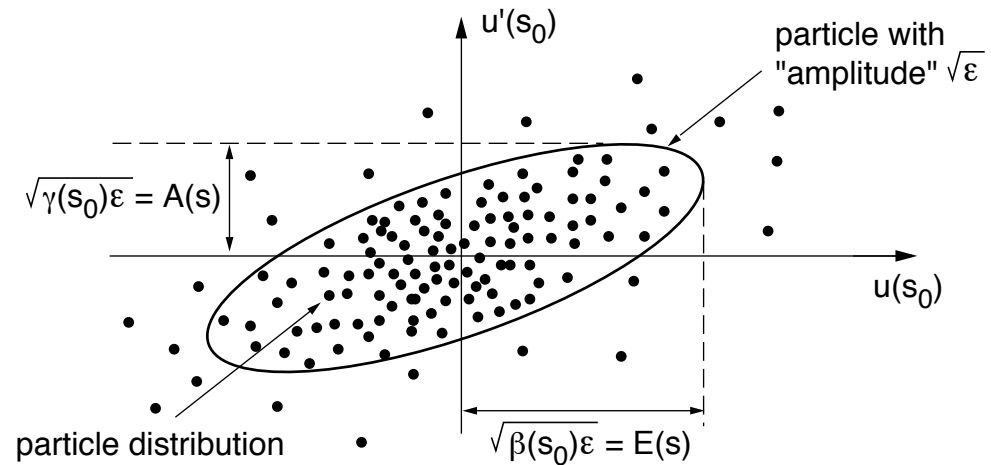
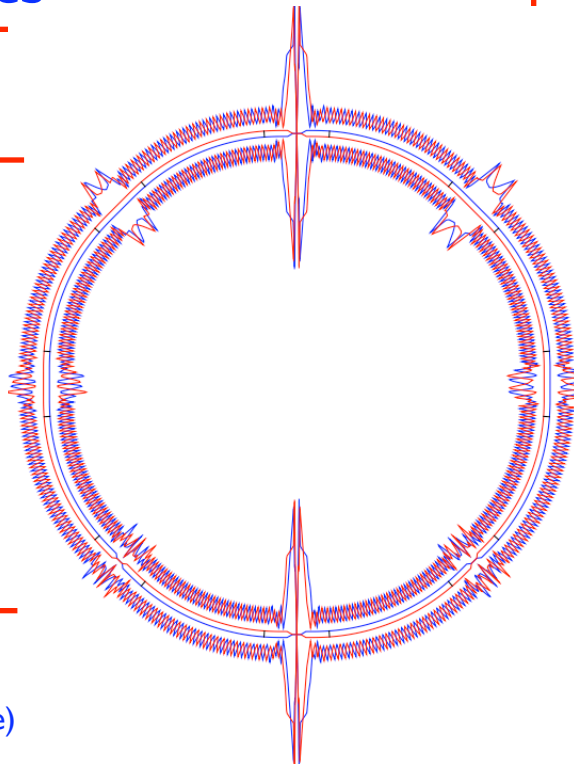
Beam physical dimension

Optical machine parameter that depends on the lattice of the machine, in particular on the **QUADRUPOLES**.

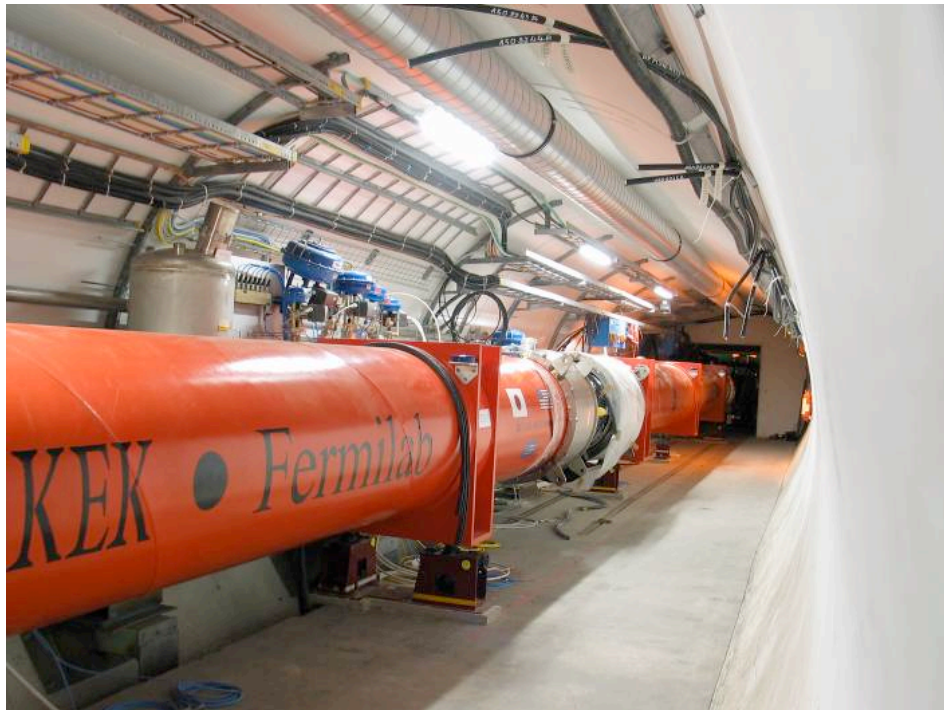
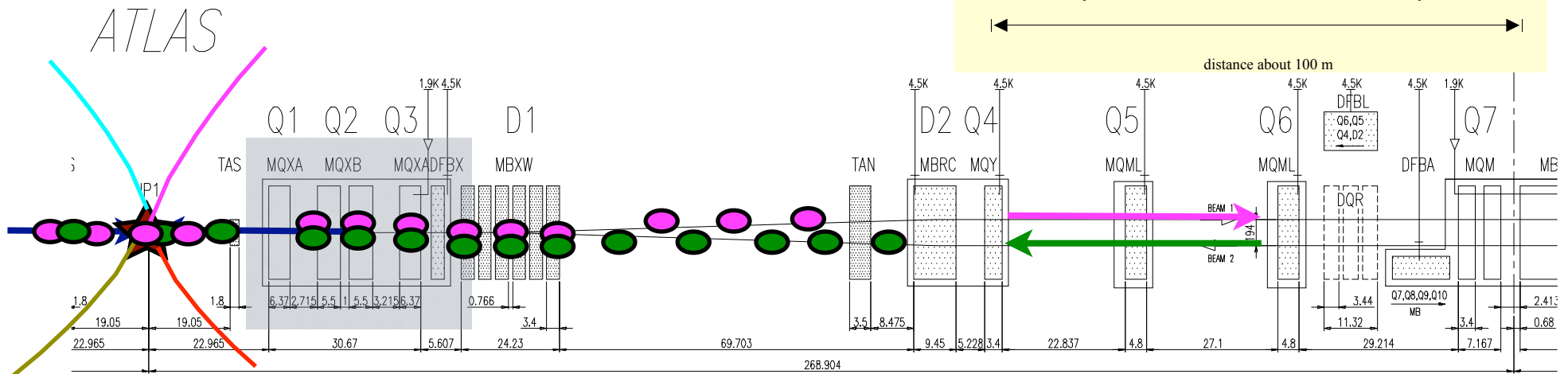
The interaction POINT is built as a FOCAL POINT for the machine optics

Emittance: Parameter which describes the spread of the particles in the phase space (xx') or (yy').

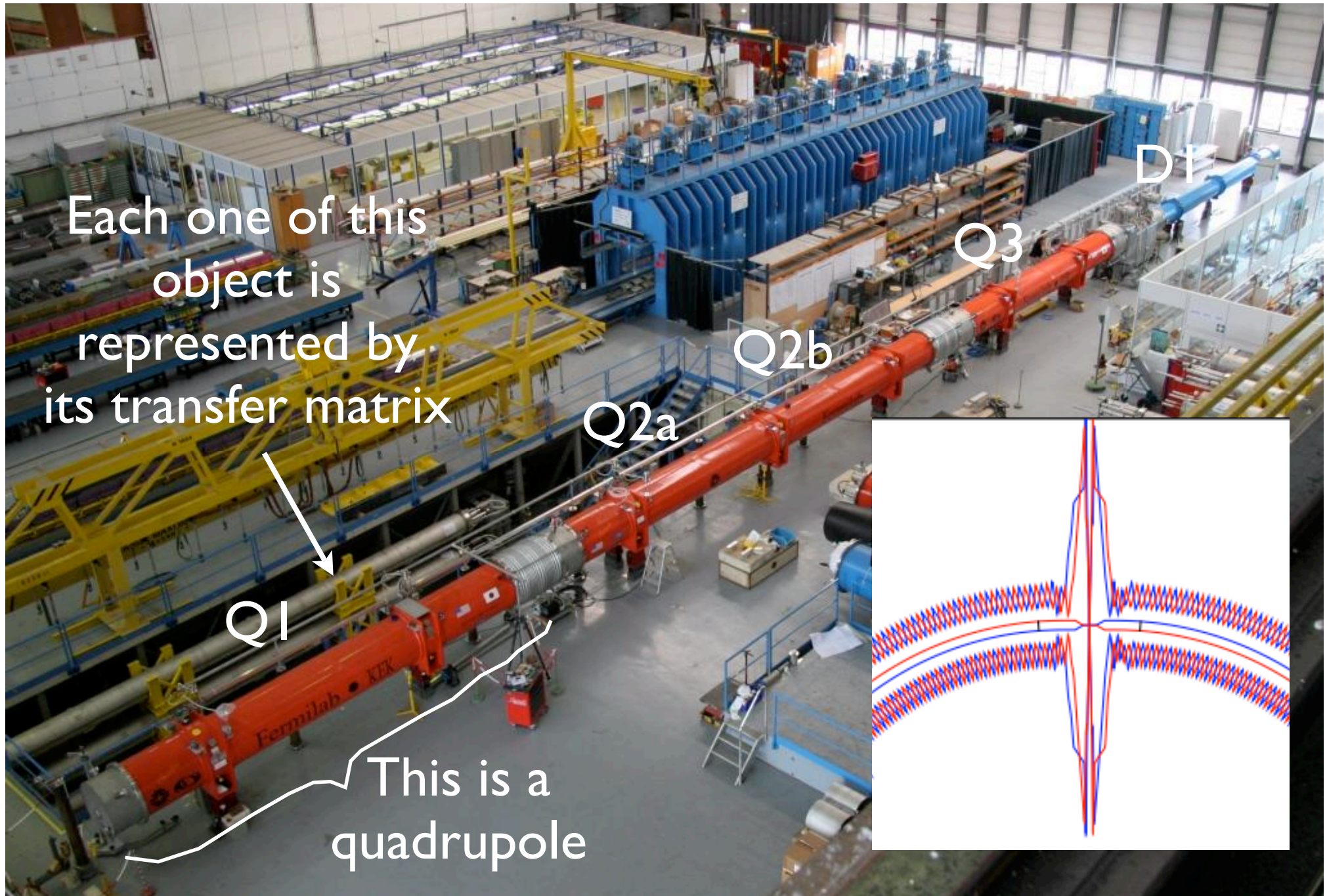
By knowing the setting of the quadrupoles and the beam emittance, one can compute the beam dimension in the entire LHC



Inner triplet: final focusing ⇒ how to make the beam small at the IP



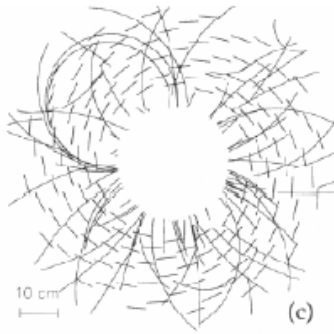
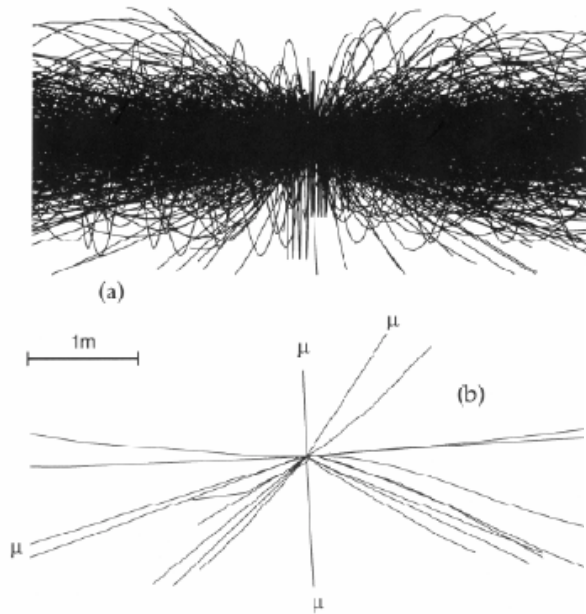
Triplets before lowering in the tunnel



Crossing angle

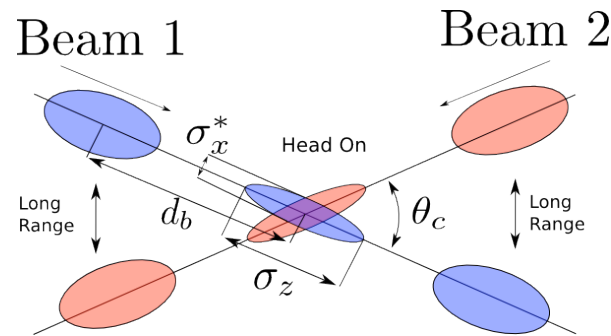
20 min bias evts overlap

$H \rightarrow ZZ$ ($Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$)

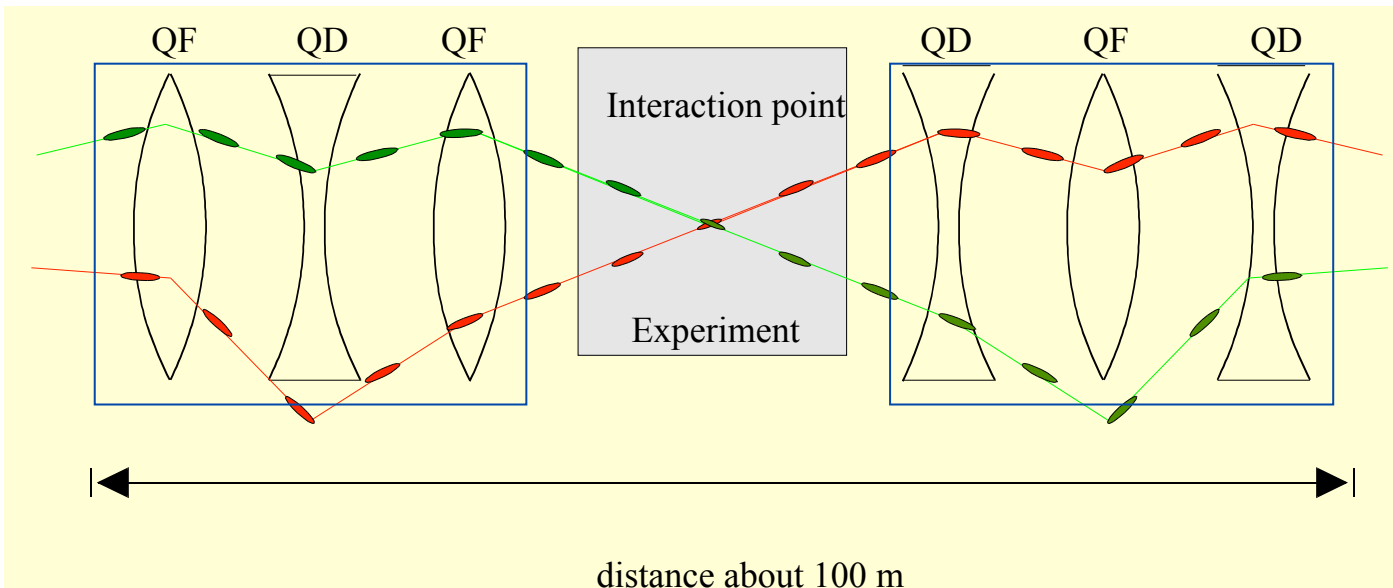


Angle @ IP to avoid that the 2808 bunches collides in other places than the IP in the LSS.

~ 30 unwanted collision per crossing



$$F = 1 / \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\theta_c \sigma_z}{2 \cdot \sigma^*} \right)^2}$$

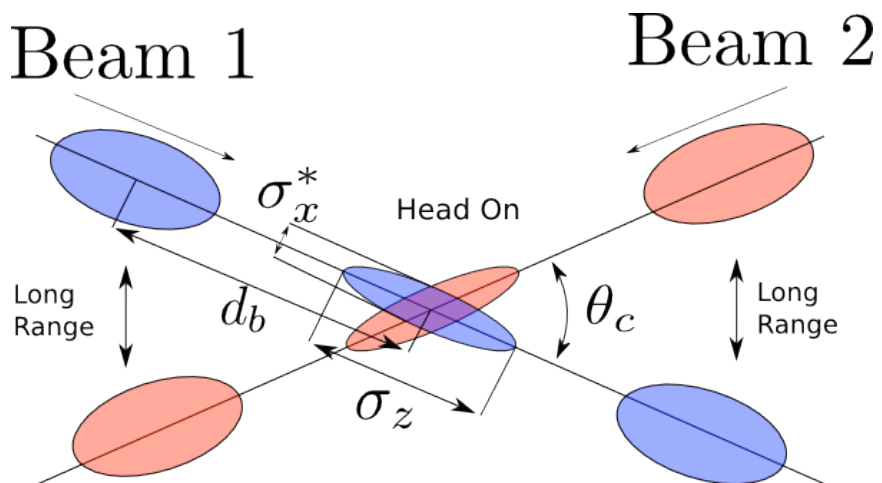


Θ_c	crossing angle	285 μm
σ_z	RMS bunch length	7.55 cm
σ^*	RMS beam size (ATLAS-CMS)	16.7 μm
F	L reduc. Factor	0.836

Few LHC numbers ...

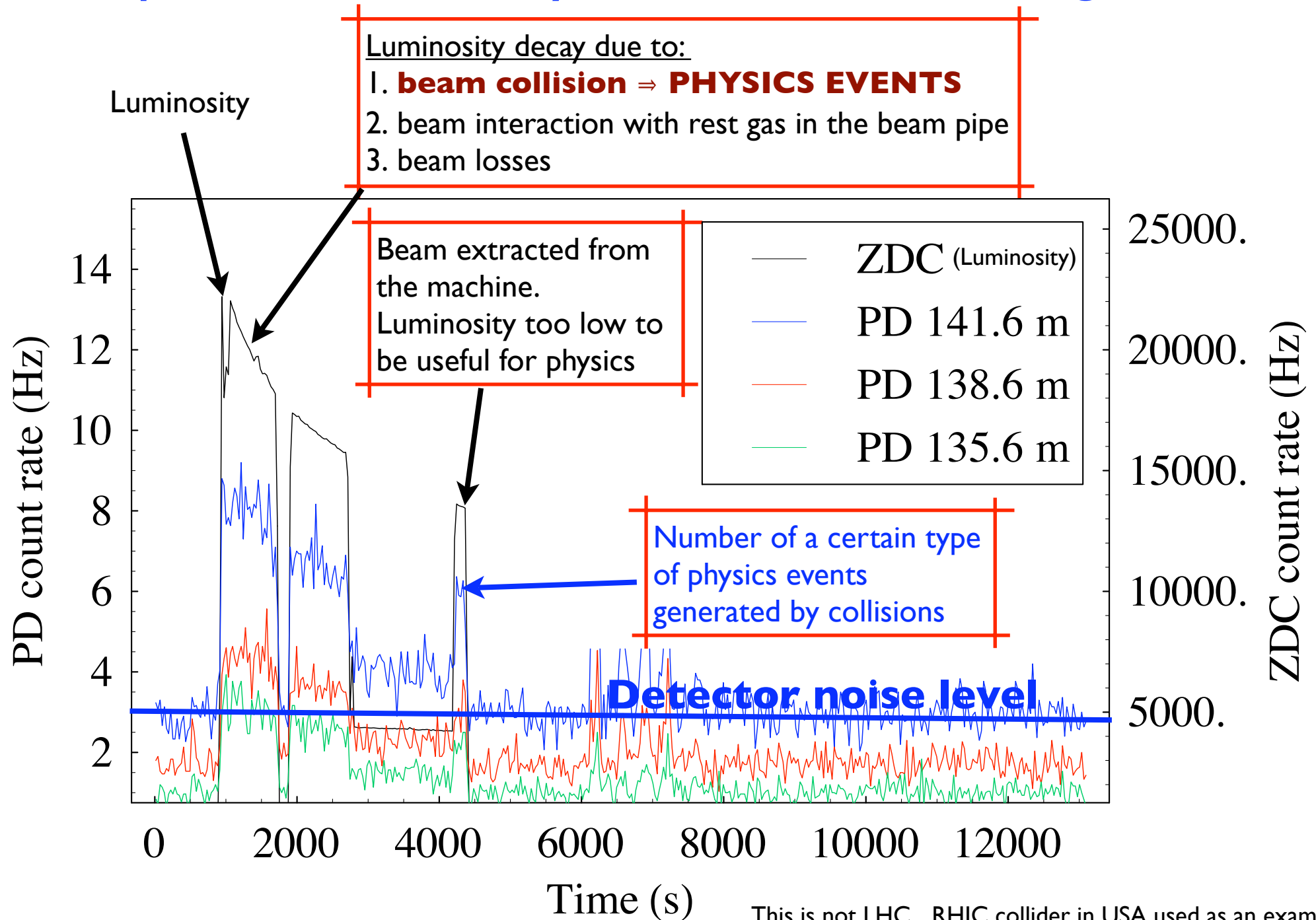
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Luminosity	$1 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ /cm}^2\text{/s (IPI IP5)}$
Particle per bunch	$1,15 \cdot 10^{11}$
Bunches	2808
Revolution frequency	11,245 kHz
Crossing rate	40 MHz
Normalised Emittance	3.75 $\mu\text{m rad}$
β-function at the collision point	0.55 m
RMS beam size @ 7 TeV at the IPI-5	16.7 μm
Circulating beam current	0.584 A
Stored energy per beam	362 MJ

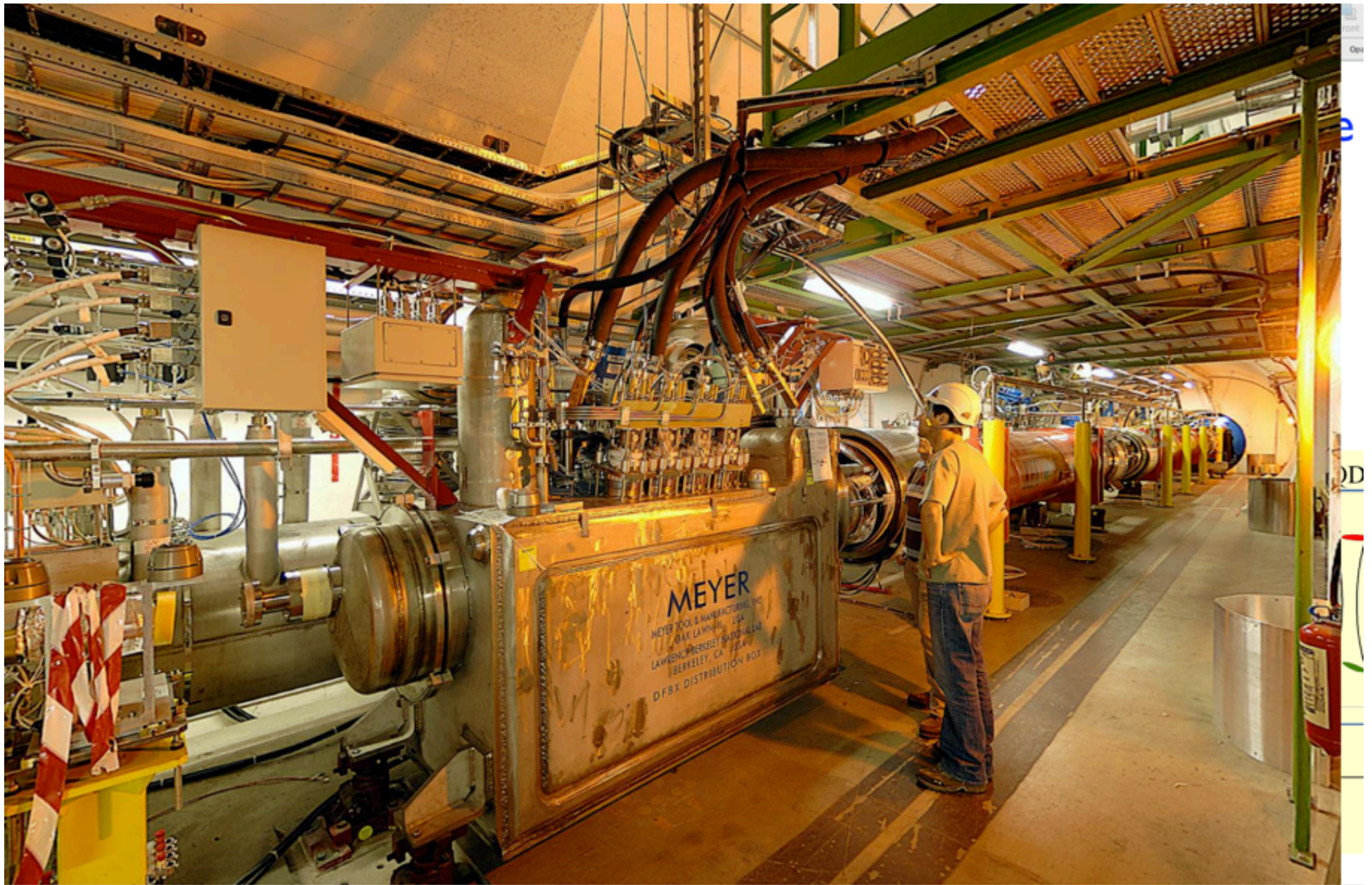
Example of Luminosity vs time in a running collider



This is not LHC... RHIC collider in USA used as an example

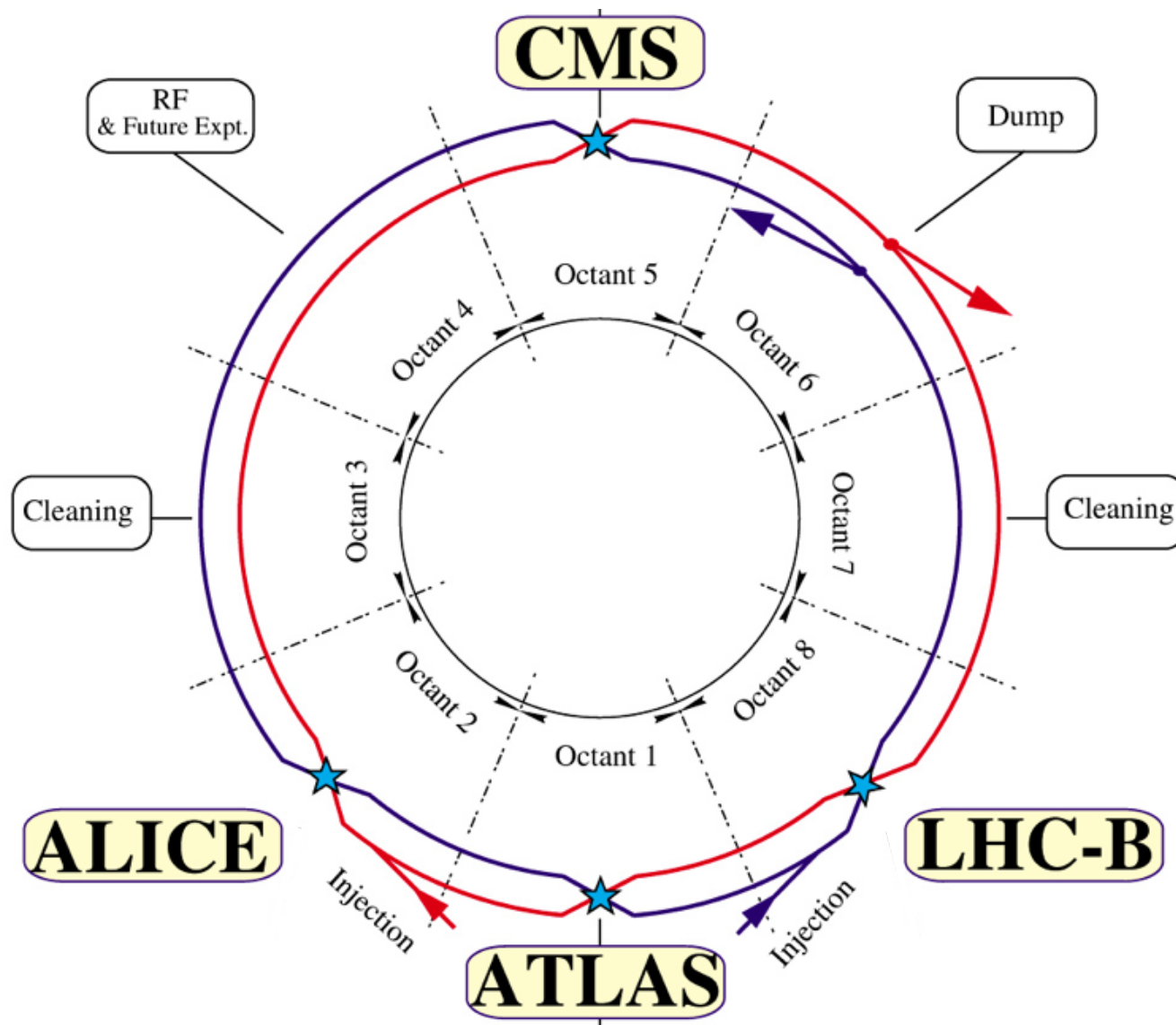


Near the IPs



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From collision point to the LHC ring



LEP vs LHC: Magnets, a change in technology

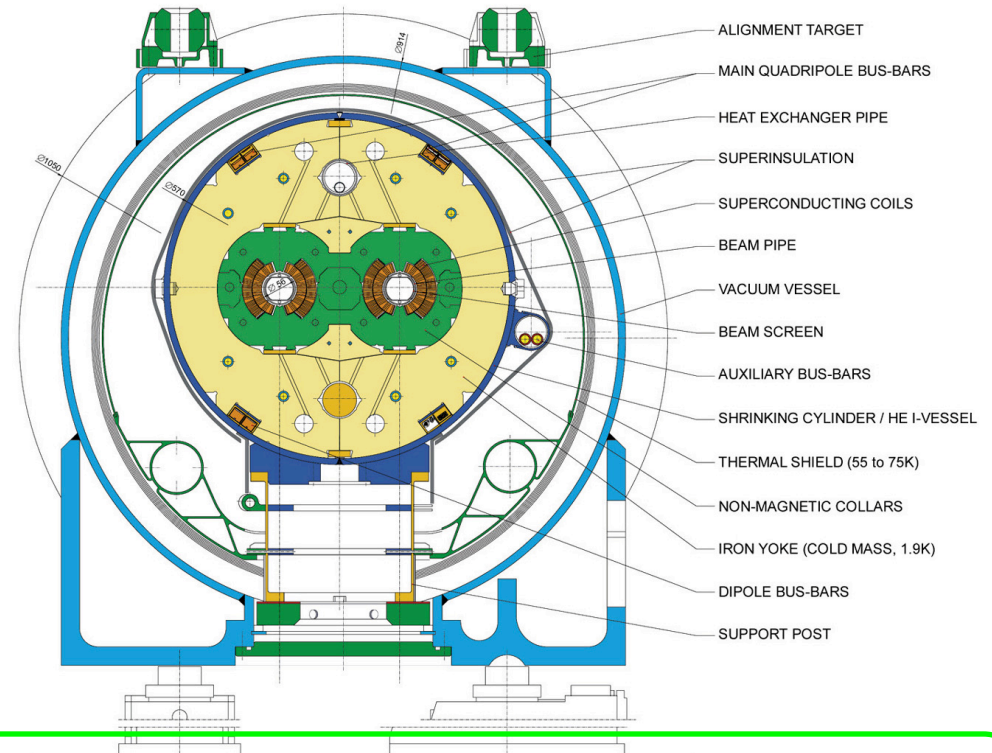
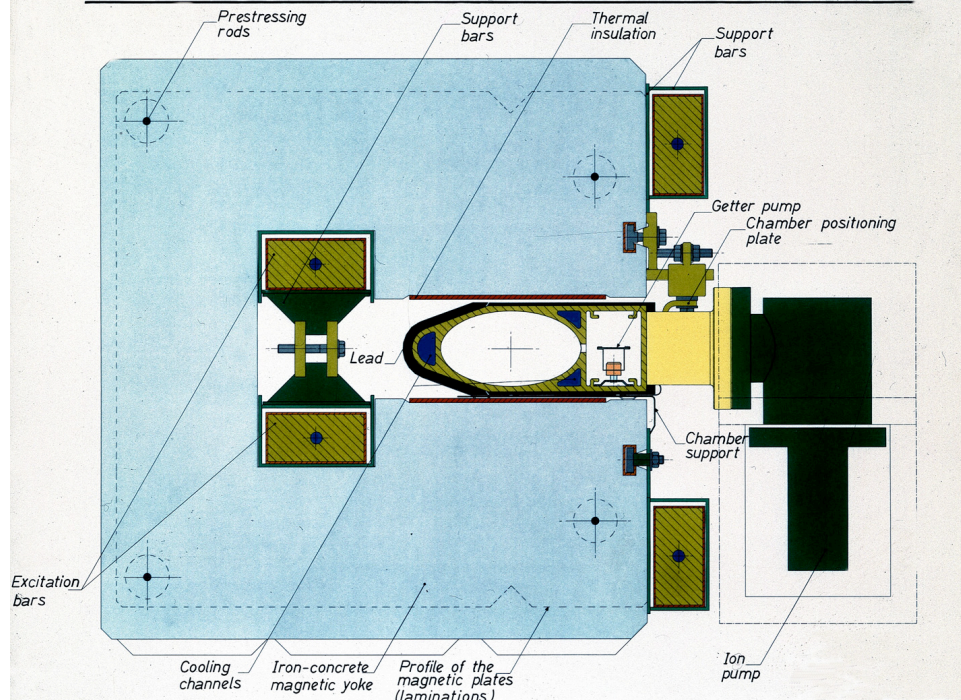
Bending Field → $p(\text{TeV}) = 0.3 B(\text{T}) R(\text{Km})$
(earth magnetic field is between 24000 nT and 66000 nT)

Tunnel $R \approx 4.3 \text{ Km}$ LHC $7 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow B \approx 8.3 \text{ T} \rightarrow$ Superconducting coils
LEP $0.1 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow B \approx 0.1 \text{ T} \rightarrow$ Room temperature coils

LHC DIPOLE : STANDARD CROSS-SECTION

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CROSS SECTION OF THE DIPOLE MAGNET WITH THE VACUUM CHAMBER



Protons can go up in energy more than electrons because they **emit less synchrotron radiation**. Bending (dipoles) and focusing (quadrupoles) strengths require high magnetic fields generated by superconductors

Synchrotron radiation

Radiation emitted by charged particles accelerated longitudinally and/or transversally

Power radiated per particle goes like:

4th power of the energy

(2nd power)⁻¹ of the bending radius

(4th power)⁻¹ of the particle mass

$$P = \frac{2c \times E^4 \times r_0}{3\rho^2 (m_0 \times c^2)^3}$$

$$r_0 = \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 m_0 c^2}$$

particle classical radius

ρ

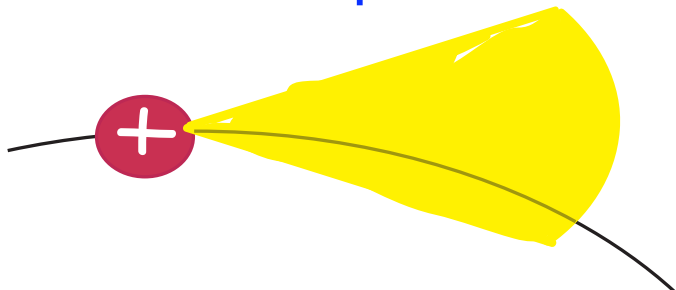
particle bending radius

Energy lost per turn per particle due to synchrotron radiation:

e- some GeV (LEP)

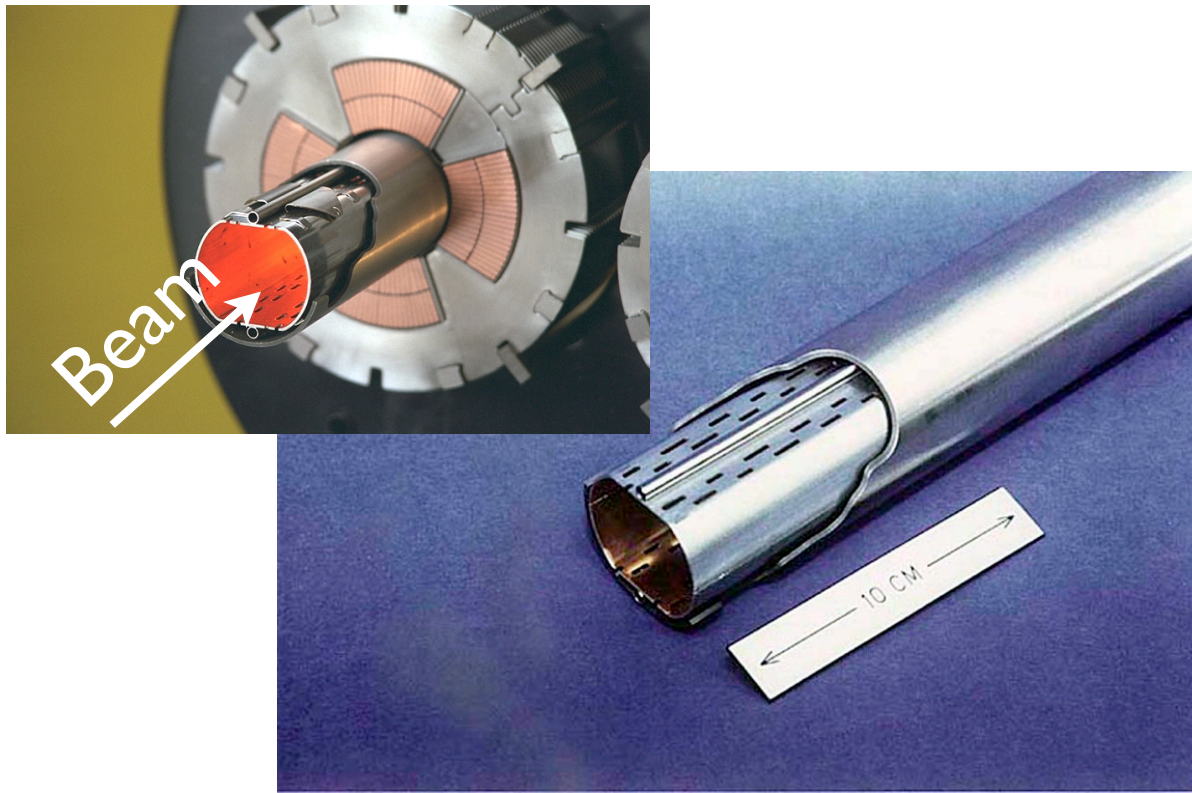
p some keV (LHC)

We must protect the LHC coils even if energy per turn is so low



Power lost per m in dipole: some W
Total radiated power per ring: some kW

LHC beam screen with cooling pipes



Beam screen to protect Superconducting magnets from Synchrotron radiation.

Holes for vacuum pumping



Atmosphere pressure = 750 Torr

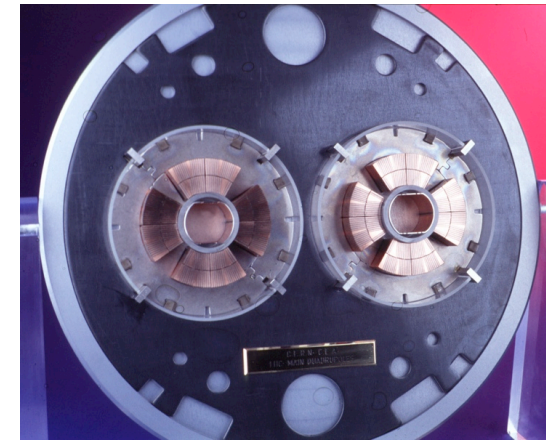
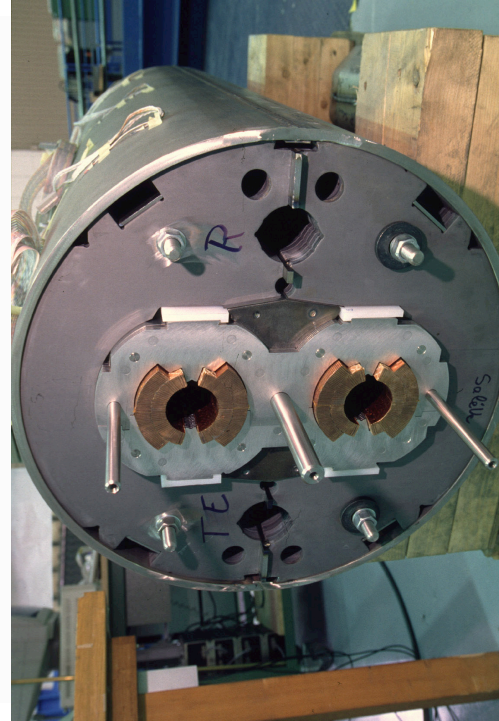
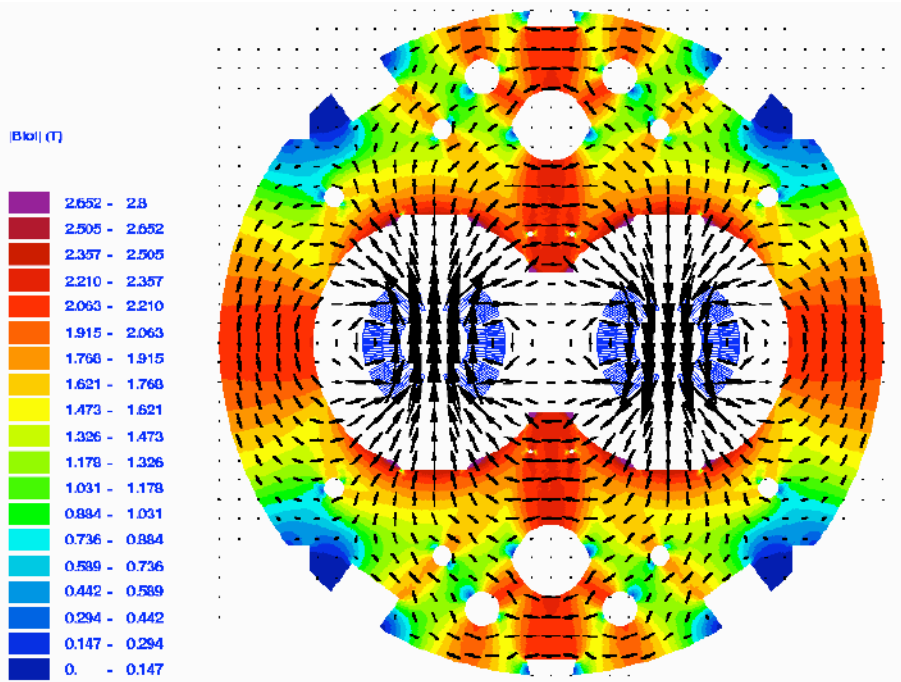
Moon atmospheric pressure = $5 \cdot 10^{-13}$ Torr

Vacuum required to avoid unwanted collision far from the IPs and decrease the Luminosity

Typical vacuum: 10^{-13} Torr

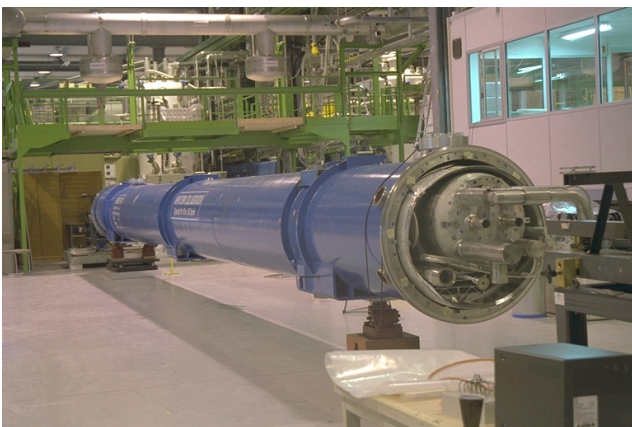
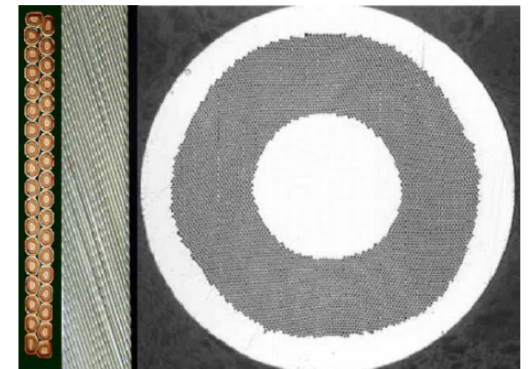
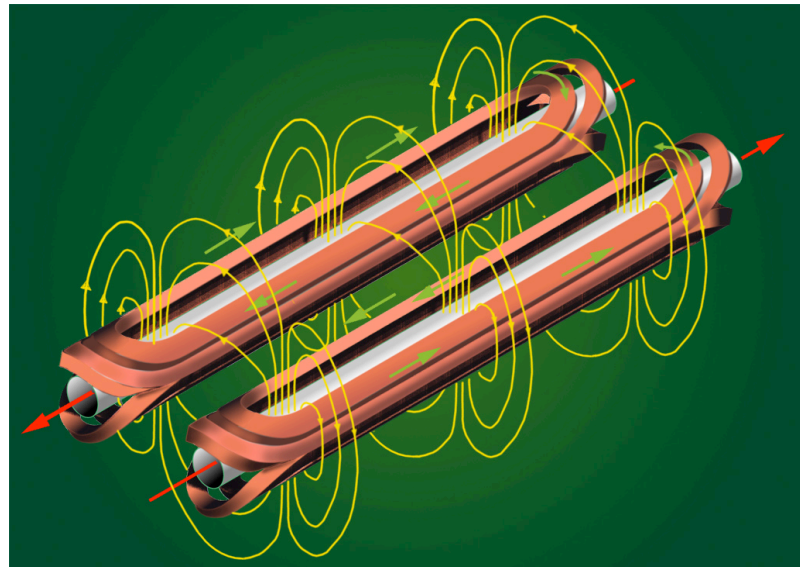
There is $\sim 6500 \text{ m}^3$ of total pumped volume in the LHC, like pumping down a cathedral.

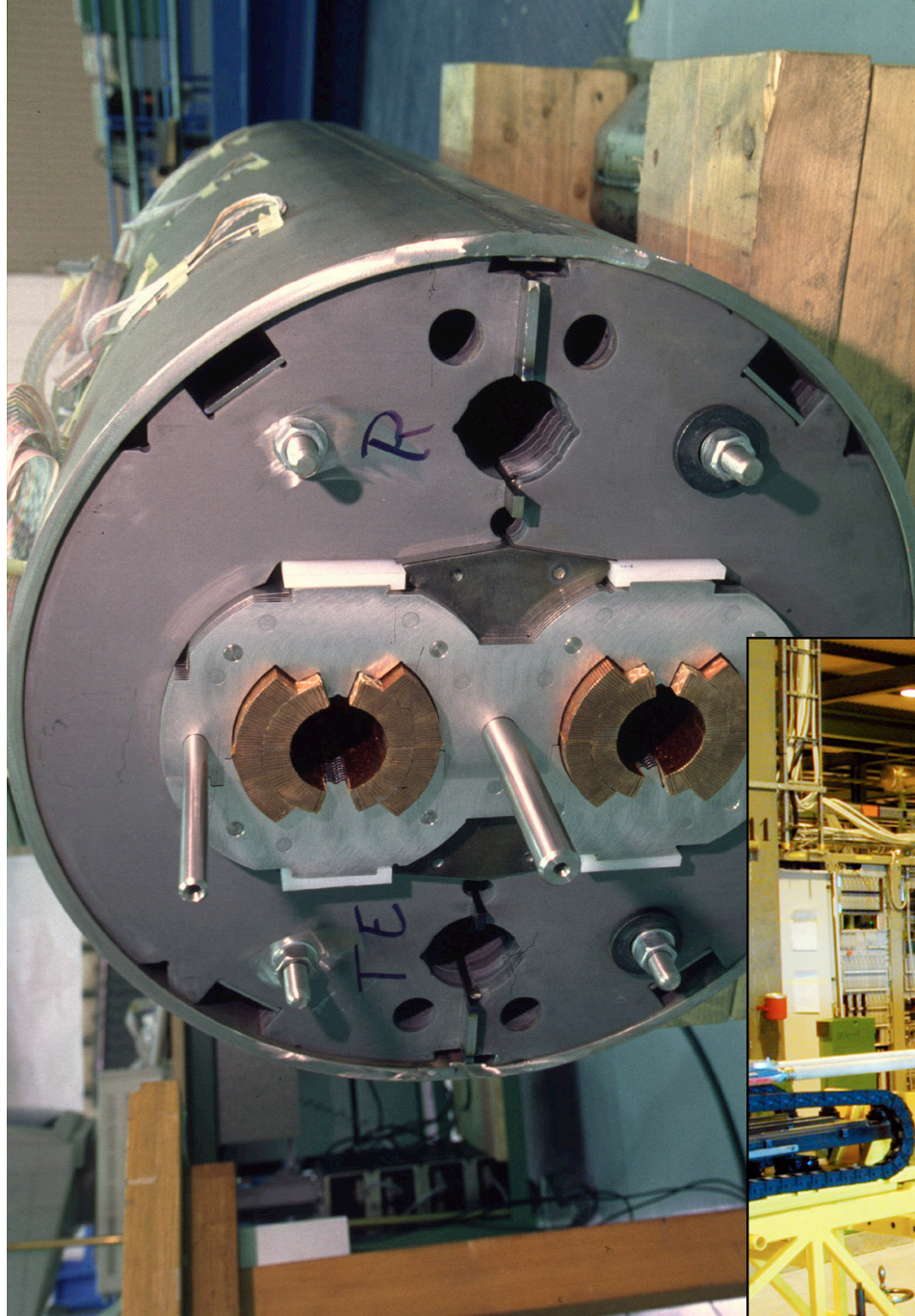
Two-in-one magnet design



The LHC is one ring where two accelerators are coupled by the magnetic elements.

Nb -Ti
superconducting cable
in a Cu matrix





At 7 TeV:

$I_{\max} = 11850 \text{ A}$ Field=8.33 T

Stored energy about 7 MJ

Weight = 27.5 Tons

Length = 15.18 m at room temp.

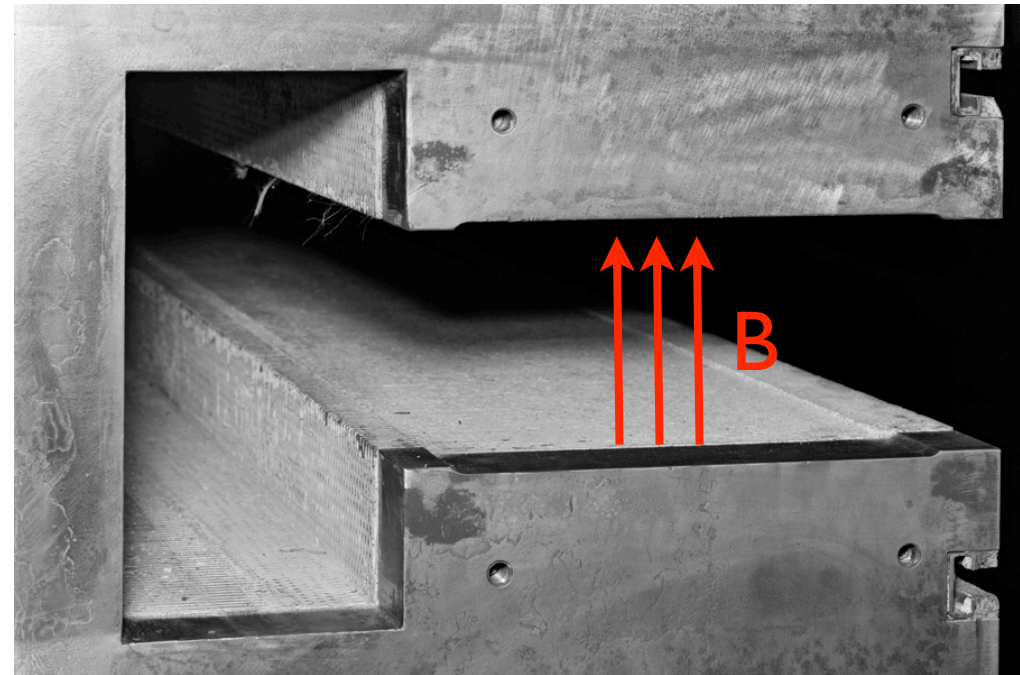
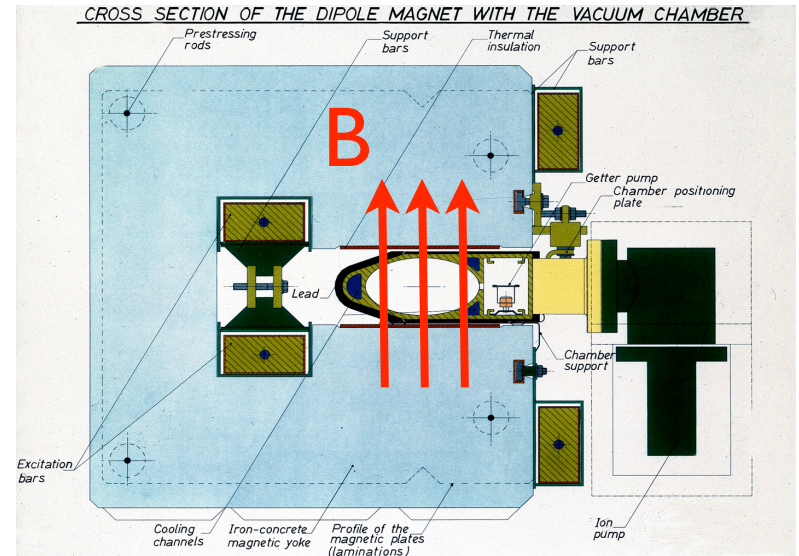
Length (1.9 K)=15 m - ~10 cm

Test bench for magnetic measurements at 1.9 K



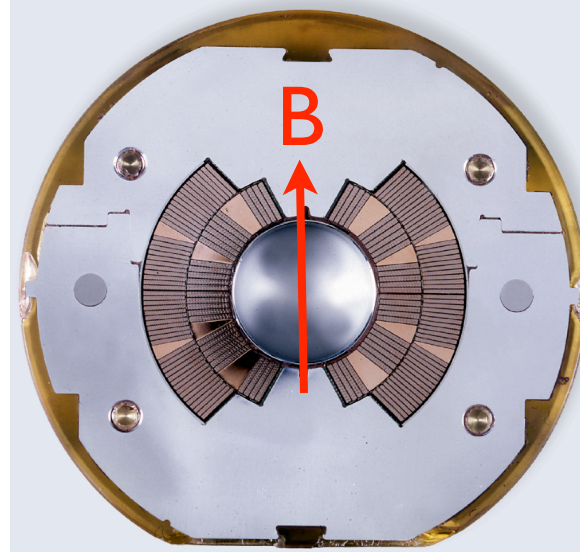
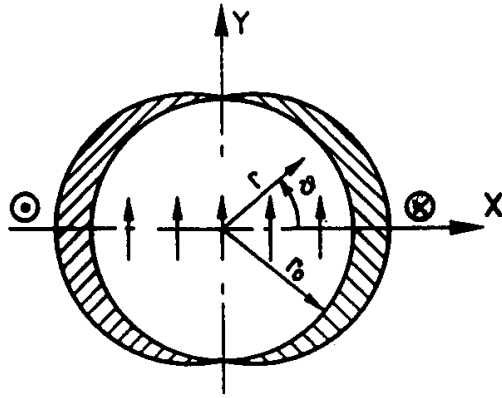
PS: they are not straight,
small bending of 5.1 mrad

From LEP to the LHC, iron-concrete yoke ...

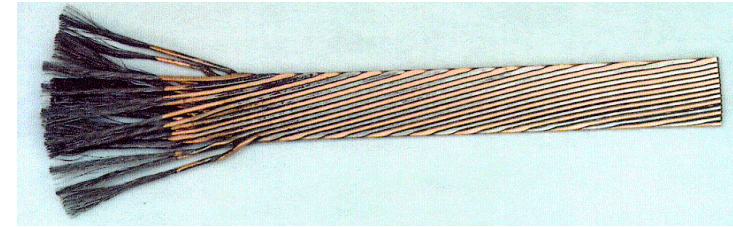


Cos θ coil of main dipoles

Cos $n\vartheta$



A 2D cos θ current distribution generates a “**quasi-perfect vertical field**” in the aperture between the two conductors.



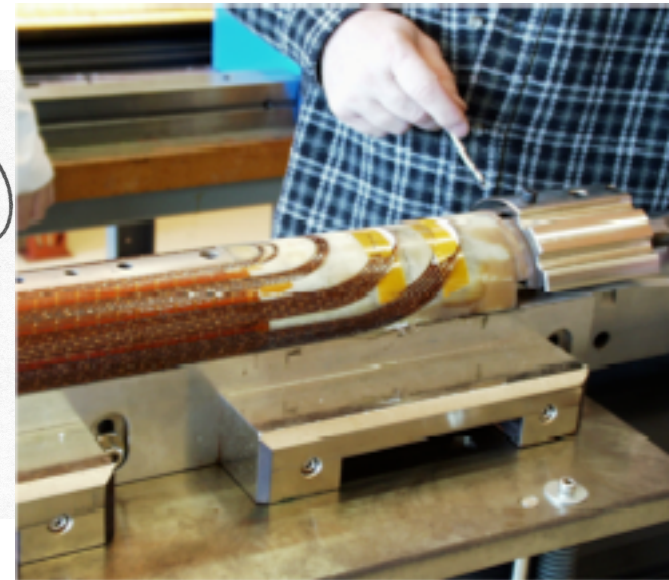
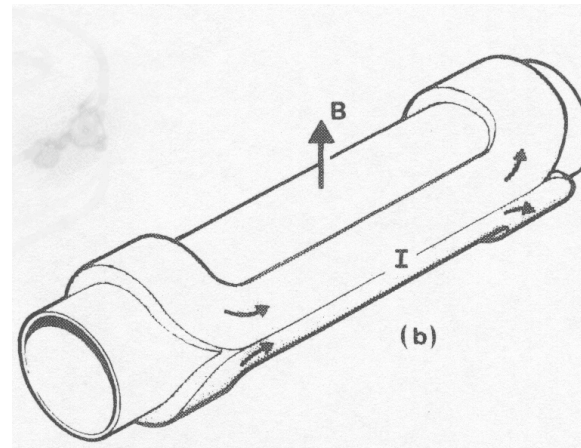
$$I = I_0 \cos \vartheta$$

$$B_{\vartheta} = \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2 r_0} \cos \vartheta$$

$$B_{\vartheta} = \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2 r_0} \sin \vartheta$$

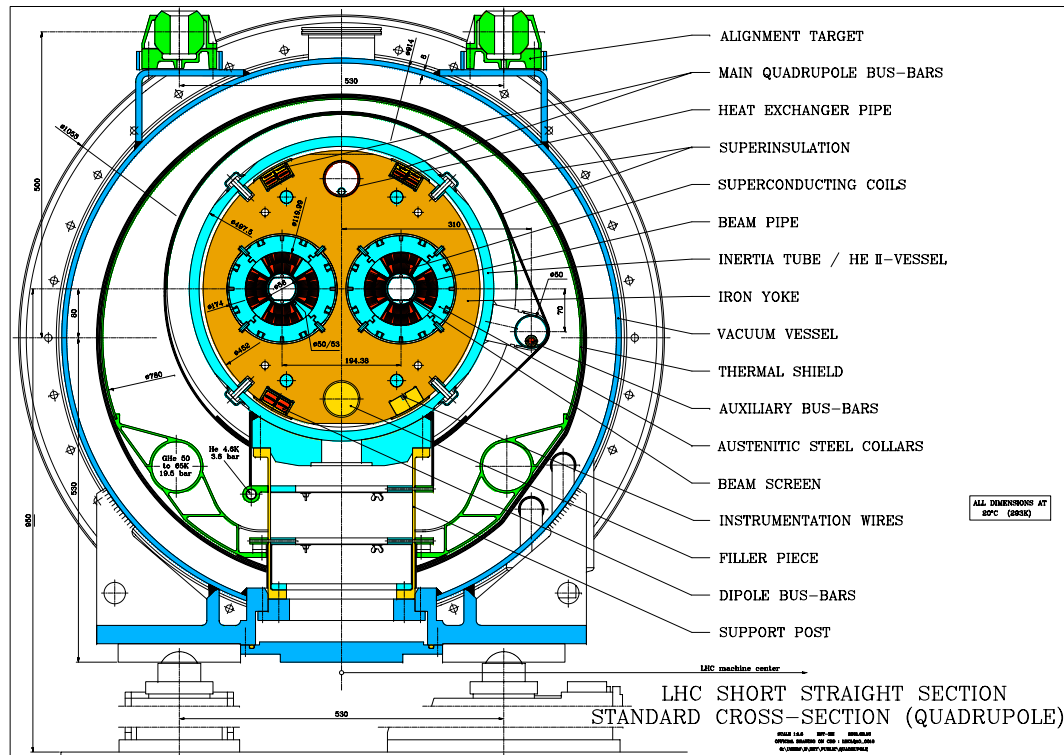
$$B_x = 0$$

$$B_y = \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2 r_0}$$



Dipolar Vertical field

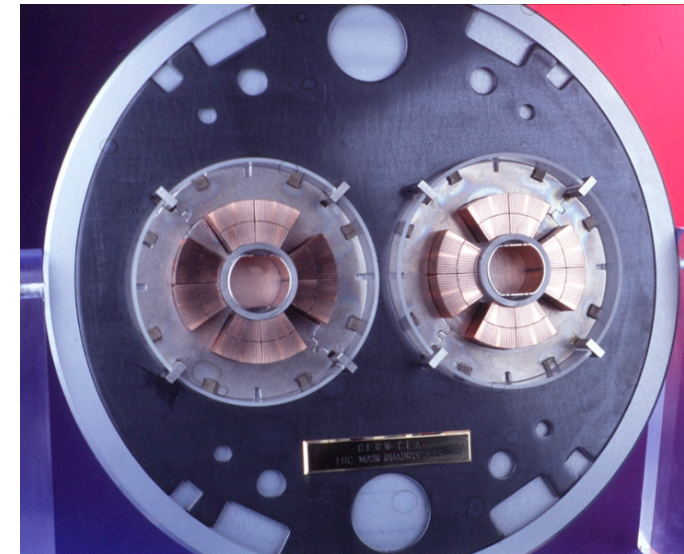
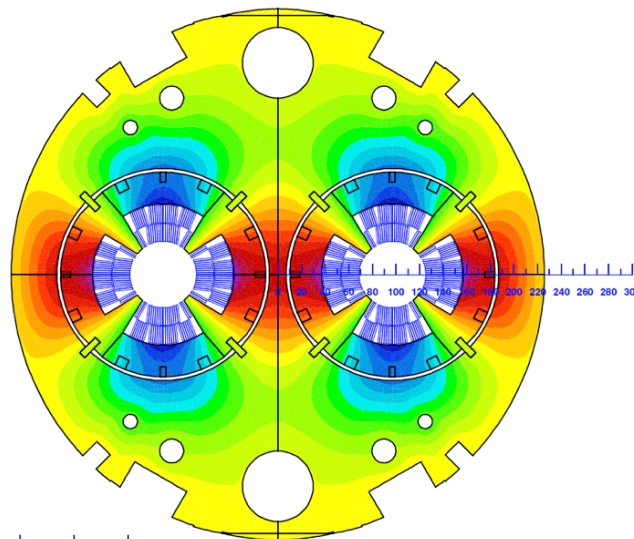
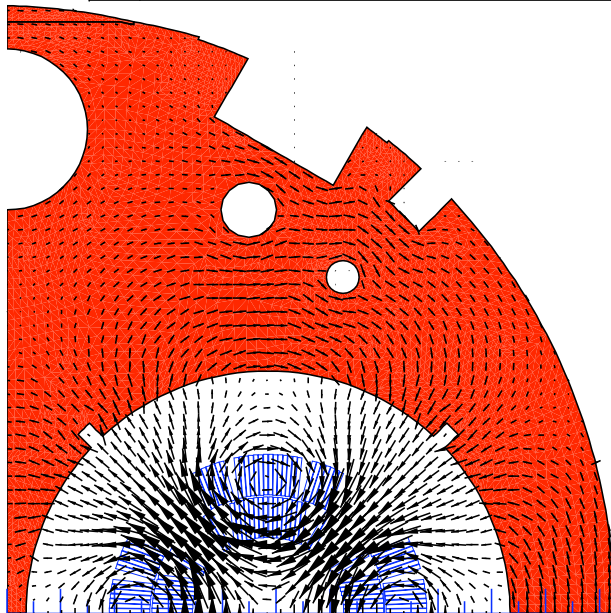
Quadrupoles are also two-in one



At 7 TeV:

$I_{\max} = 11850 \text{ A}$
Field=225 T/m

Weight = 6.5 Tons
Length = 3.1 m



0 20 40 60 80 100 120 140 160 180 200 220 240 260 280 300

Quadrupoles being assembled before installation

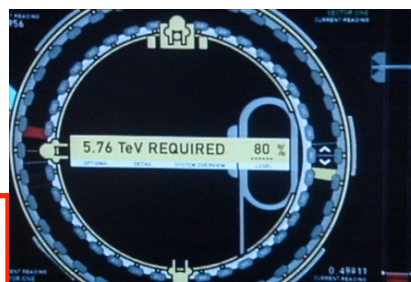


INTERLUDE: THE TERMINATOR-3 ACCELERATOR

We apply some concepts to the accelerator shown in Terminator-3 [Columbia Pictures, 2003]

- Estimation of the magnetic field

- Energy = 5760 GeV
- Radius ~30 m
- Field = $5760 / 0.3 / 30 \sim 700$ T (a lot !)



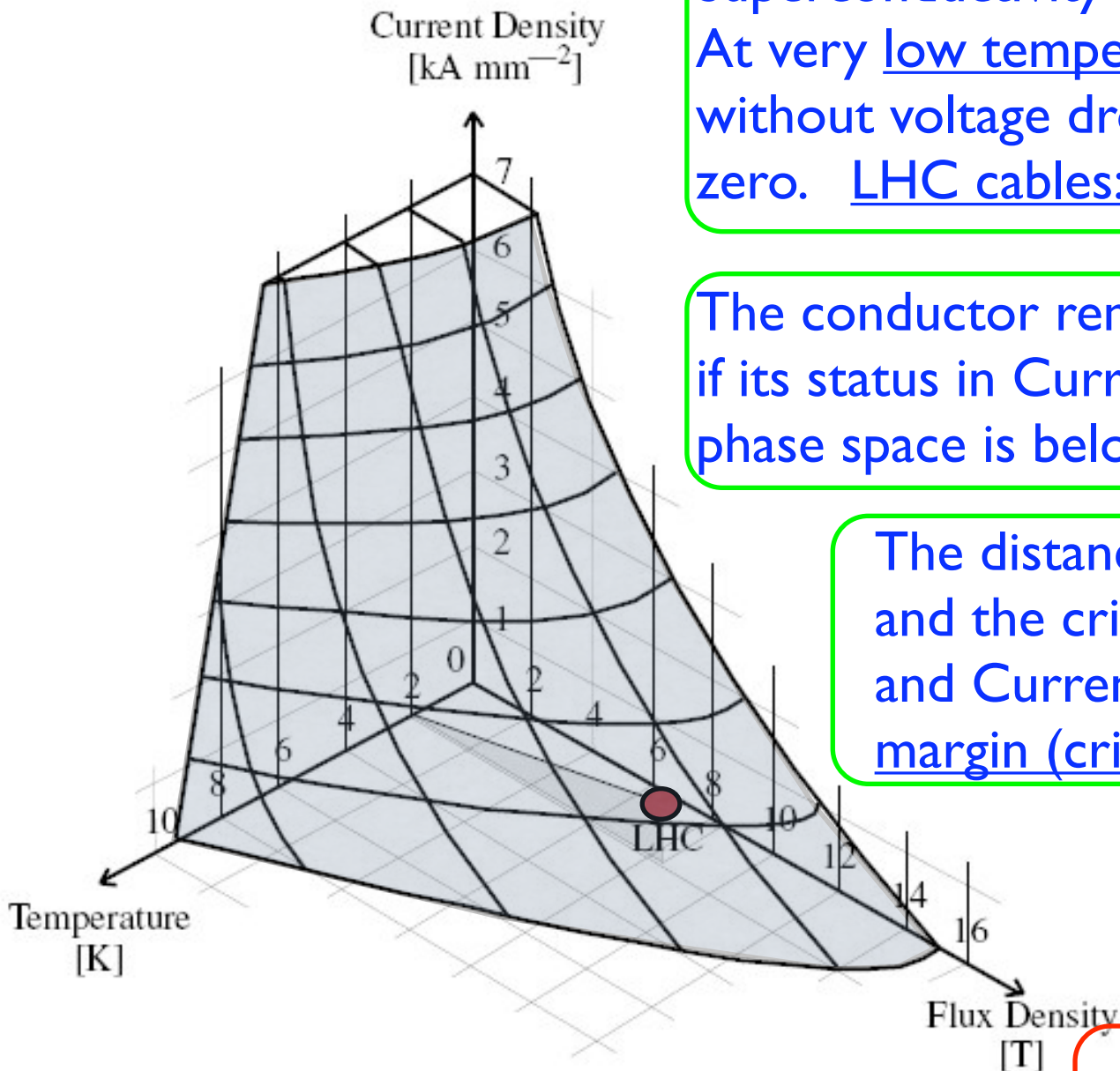
Energy of the machine (left) and size of the accelerator (right)

- Why the magnet is not shielded with iron ?
 - Assuming a bore of 25 mm radius, inner field of 700 T, iron saturation at 2 T, one needs $700 \cdot 25 / 2 = 9000$ mm = 9 m of iron ... no space in their tunnel !
 - In the LHC, one has a bore of 28 mm radius, inner field of 8 T, one needs $8 \cdot 25 / 2 = 100$ mm of iron
- Is it possible to have 700 T magnets ??



A magnet whose fringe field is not shielded

Very, very short introduction to Superconductivity for accelerators



Superconductivity is a property of some materials. At very low temperature they can carry currents without voltage drop, i.e. their resistivity goes to zero. LHC cables: Nb-Ti working at 1.9 K

The conductor remains Superconductor if its status in Current Density, Temperature, B field phase space is below the Critical Surface

The distance between the working point and the critical surface for a fixed B field and Current Density is the temperature margin (critical temperature)

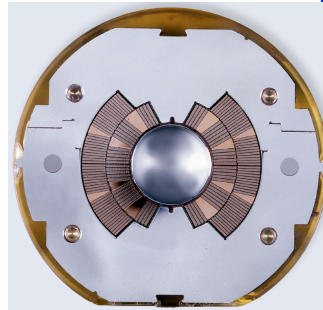
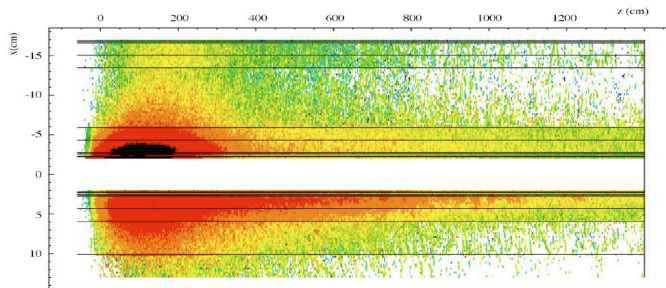
Transition to a normal conducting state is called magnet quench

What can increase the temperature in a magnet ?

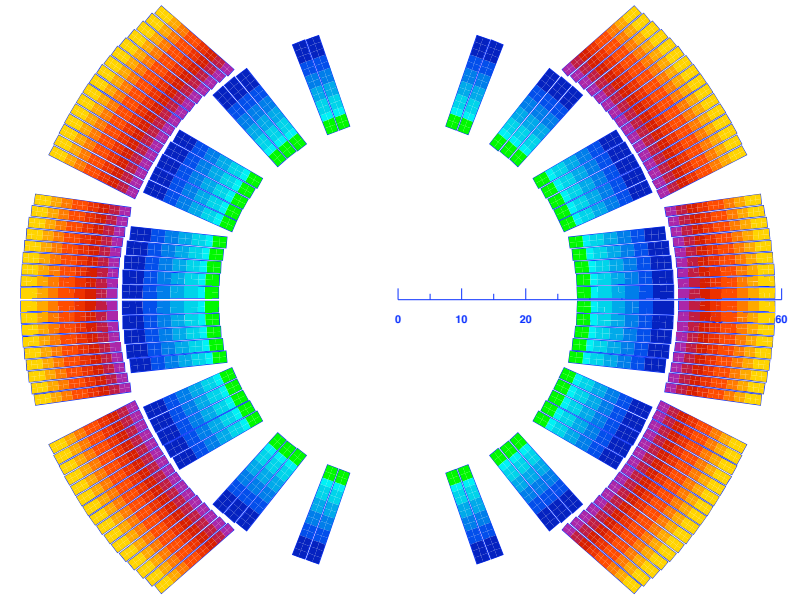
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Beam losses can eat the temperature margin because of energy deposition

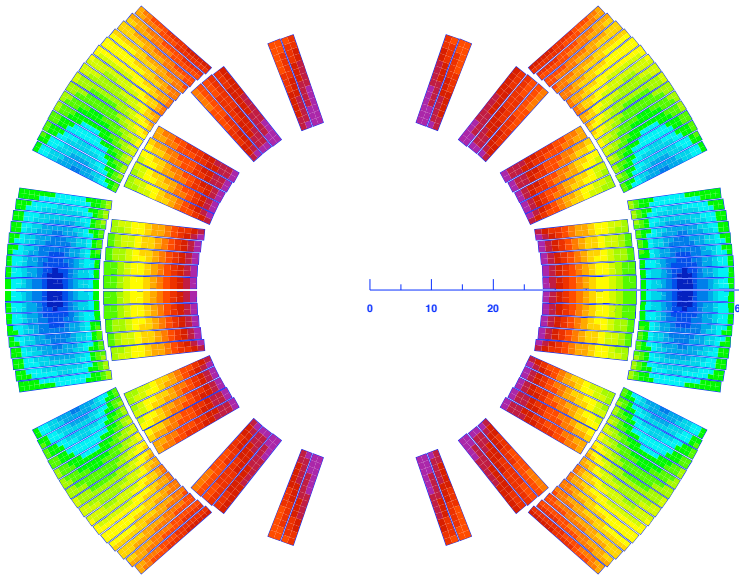
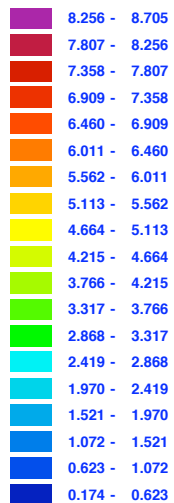
Limit of accepted losses: $\sim 10 \text{ mW/cm}^3$
to avoid $\Delta T > 2 \text{ K}$, the temperature margin



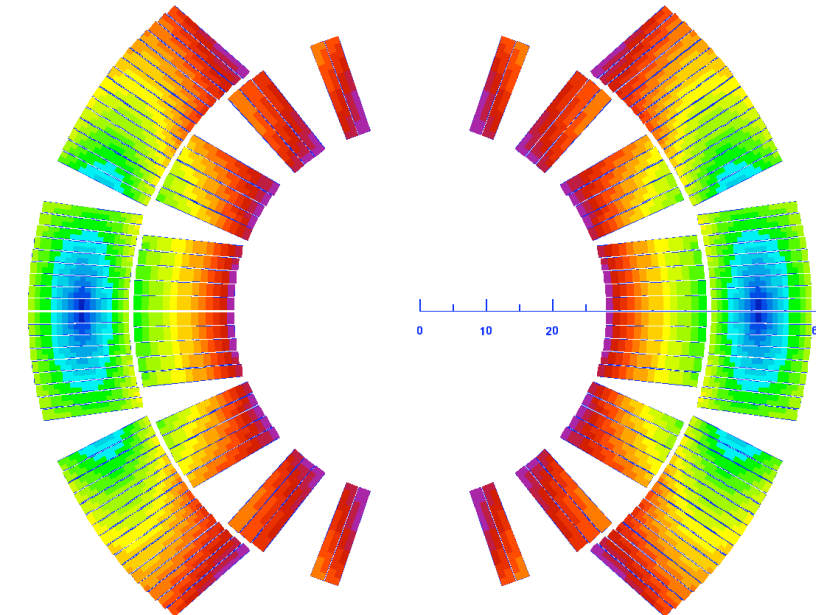
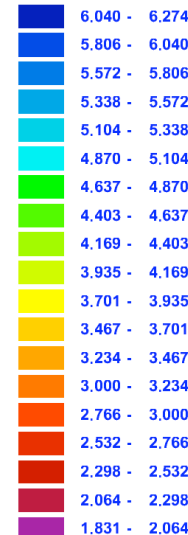
IJI (A/mm^2)



IBI (T)



Temperature margin (K)



How much is 10 mW/cm^3 ?



A fluorescent (known as neon) tube can be typically 1.2 m long with a diameter of 26 mm, with an input power of 36 W.

This makes a power density of about 56 mW/cm^3 .

The power of a neon tube can quench about 5 LHC dipoles at collision energy... because one does not need 10 mW/cm^3 for the entire volume of a magnet, but for about 1 cm^3 .



If you do the same basic computation with a normal 100 W resistive bulbs is even worst

Few numbers for dipoles

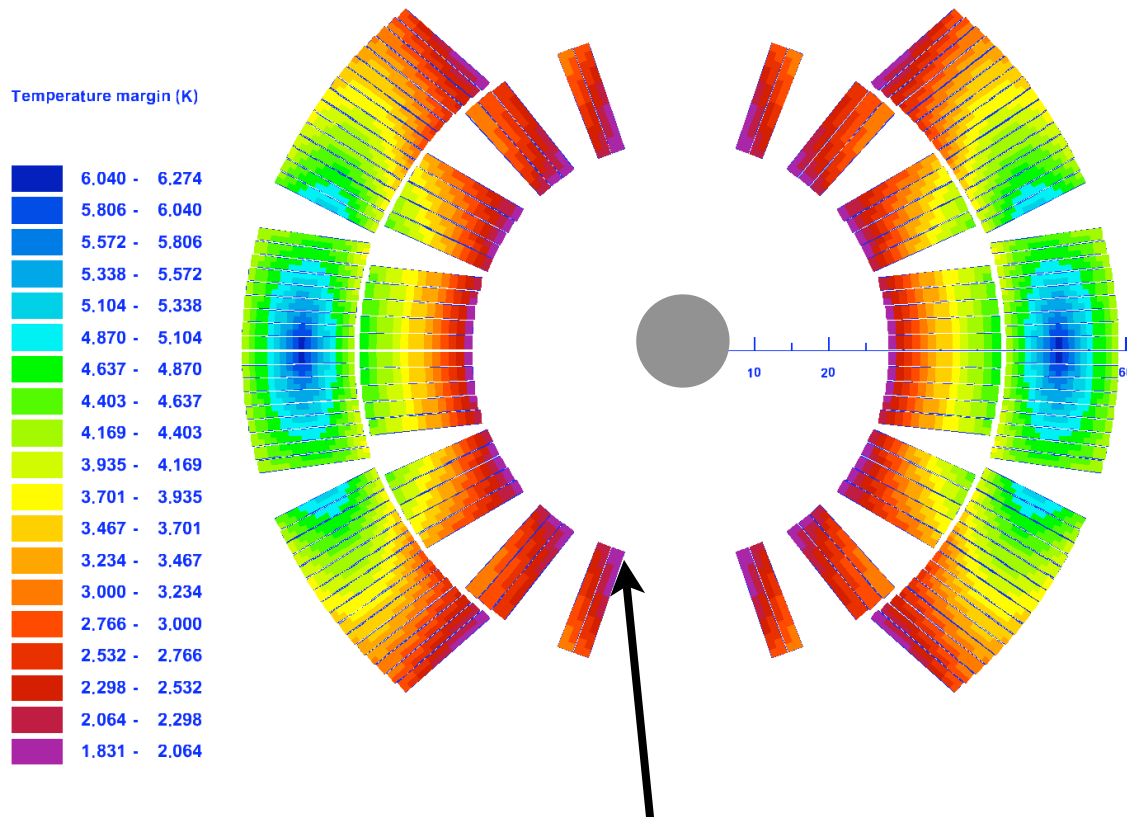
Injection B (0.45 TeV energy)	Current at injection field	Nominal B (7 TeV energy)	Current at nominal field	Stored energy (2 apertures) at 8.33 T	Ultimate field	Maximum quench limit of the cold mass	Magnetic length at 1.9 K and at nominal B	Bending radius 1.9 K	Total mass
0.54 T	763 A	8.33 T	11850 A	6.93 MJ	9.00 T	9.7 T	14312 mm	2803.98 m	~ 27.5 t



		r [m]	B [T]	E [TeV]
FNAL	Tevatron	758	4.40	1.000
DESY	HERA	569	4.80	0.820
IHEP	UNK	2000	5.00	3.000
SSCL	SSC	9818	6.79	20.000
BNL	RHIC	98	3.40	0.100
CERN	LHC	2801	8.33	7.000
CERN	LEP	2801	0.12	0.100

The length of the LHC dipoles (15 m) has been determined:
by the best design for the tunnel geometry and installation and
by the maximal dimensions of (regular) trucks allowed on European roads.

Temperature margin and quenches....



Lower temperature margin near the beam !

*Limiting beam losses:
 10^8 p/m at small grazing angle
 for a total circulating intensity of $3.3 \cdot 10^{14}$ p*

Other possible sources of quenches:

1. **mechanical friction**, for example during current ramp, between the conductors. Few μm are enough. Magnets are “trained” before installation and they keep memory of the training at least since the next quench.

2. **failure of the cooling system**. Depending on the case of failure, magnets can heat up slowly or not...

but every dipole stores about 7 MJ at collision

the stored energy is about 350 MJ per beam

So, one need:

1. to exclude the magnet from the ARC powering, since all the magnets are IN SERIES per ARC.

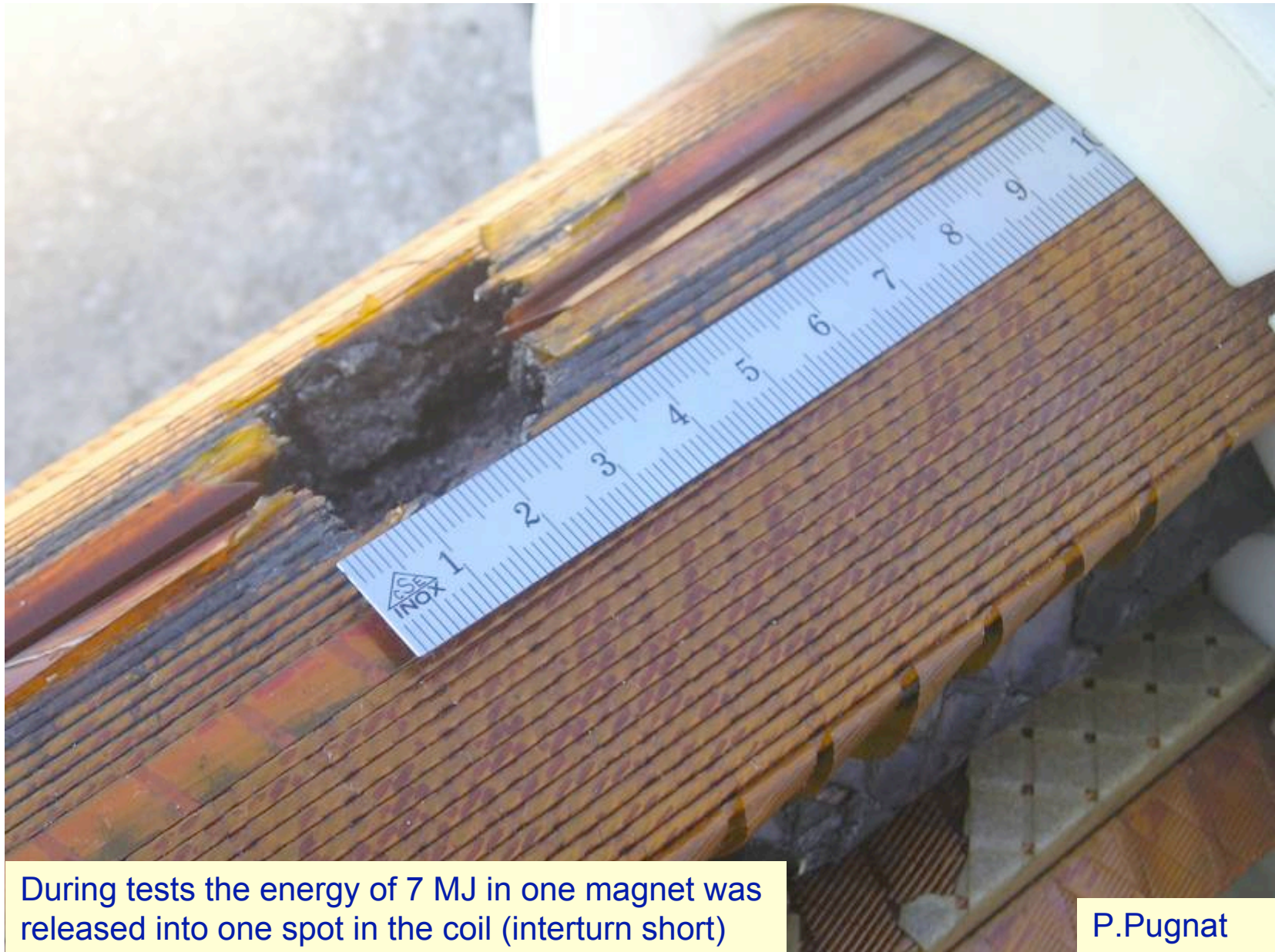
2. to discharge fast the power of the quenching magnet octant (time constant about 100 s), and dispersing by heating up the magnet the power that otherwise will accumulate near the quenching zone.

3. to extract the beam as fast as possible, meaning within one turn from the quench detection, before risking to damage mechanically the machine with the beam.

The different time scale of the two processes helps:

1 beam turn every $\sim 90 \mu\text{s}$ while a quench develops on at least few ms. However, quench detection, power extraction and beam extraction has to be fast and reliable.

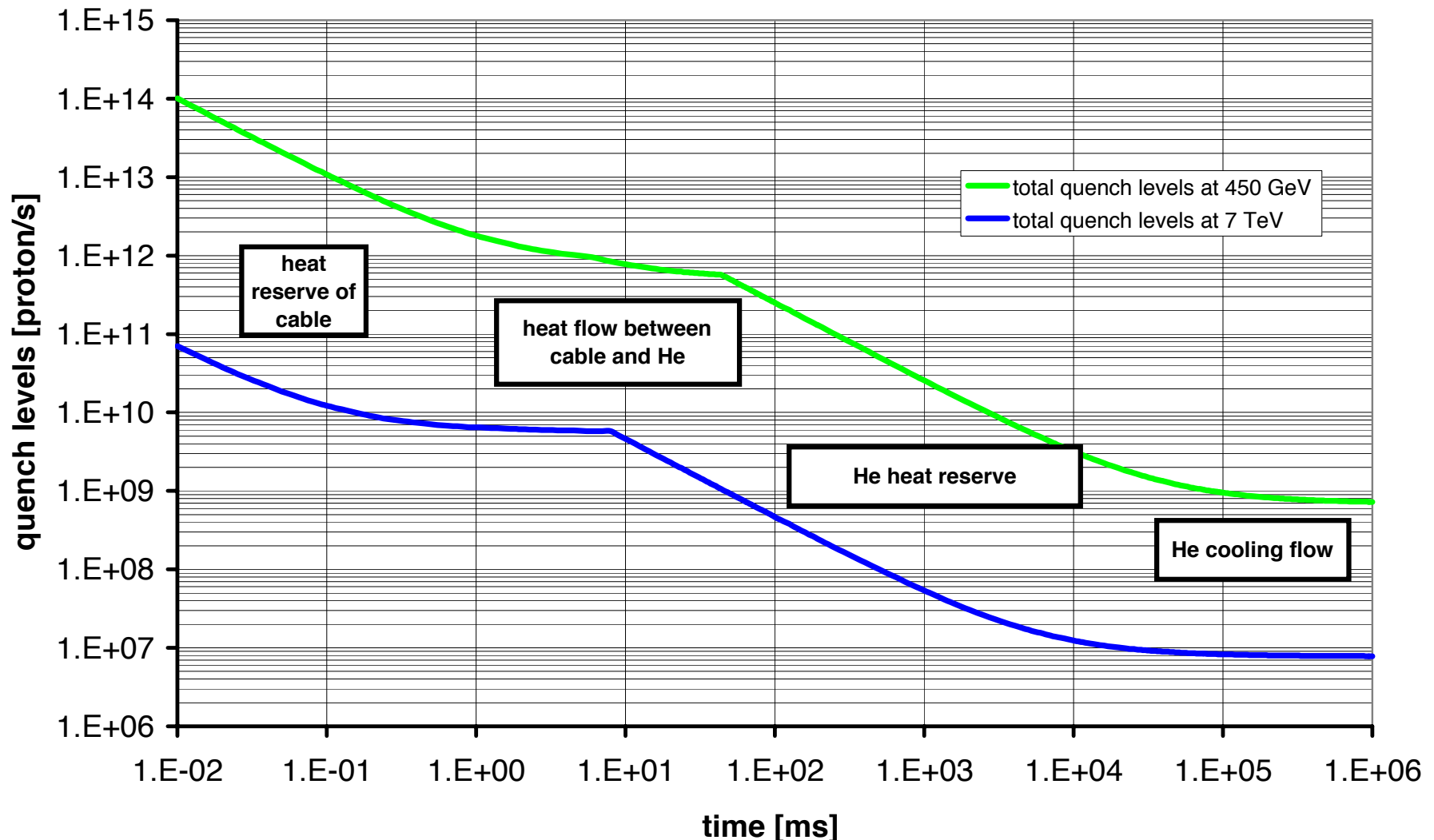
When something goes wrong.... bad quench...

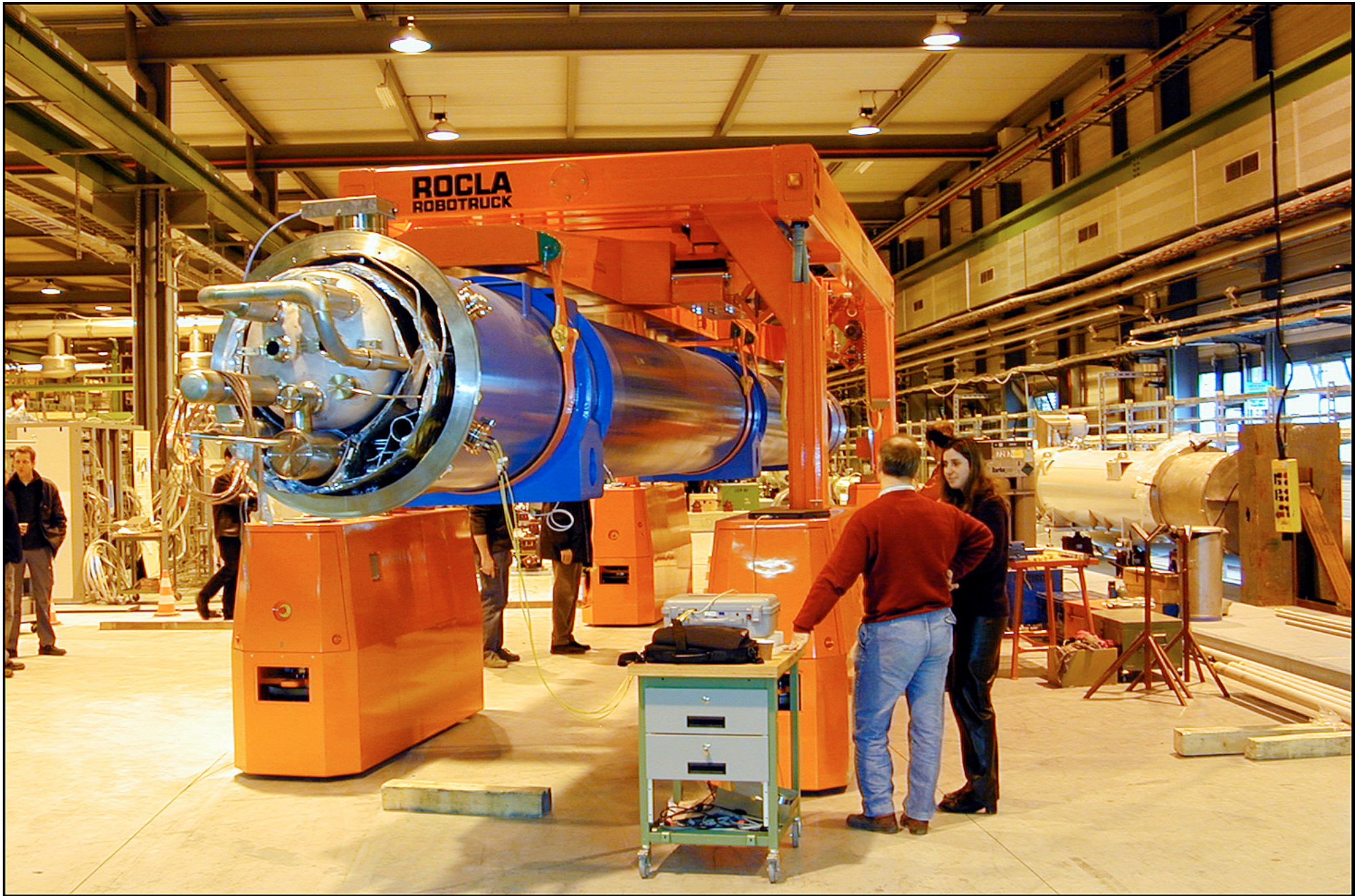


Quench levels are varying with energy

In a synchrotron, the magnetic field increases with energy to keep particles on the circular trajectory. This means that both the current as the field are larger at 7 TeV than at 450 GeV.

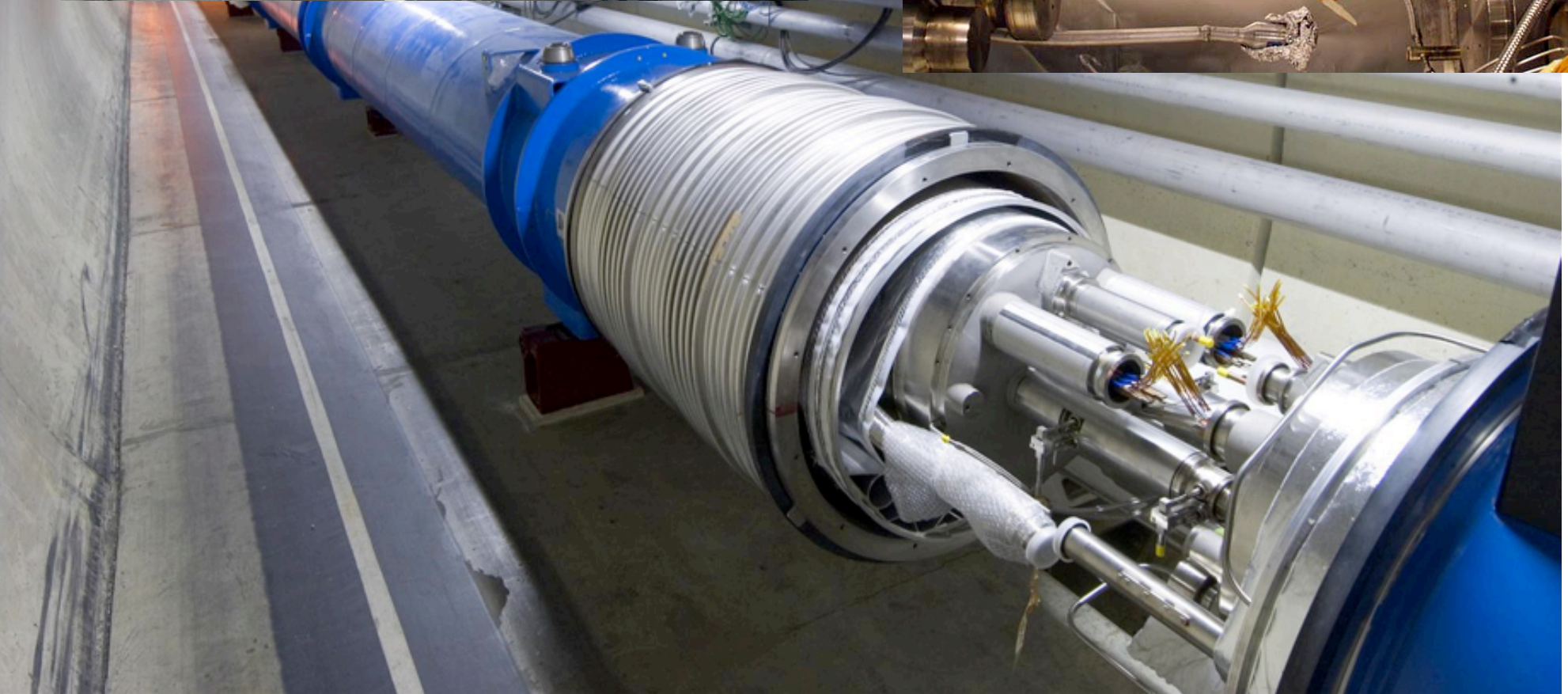
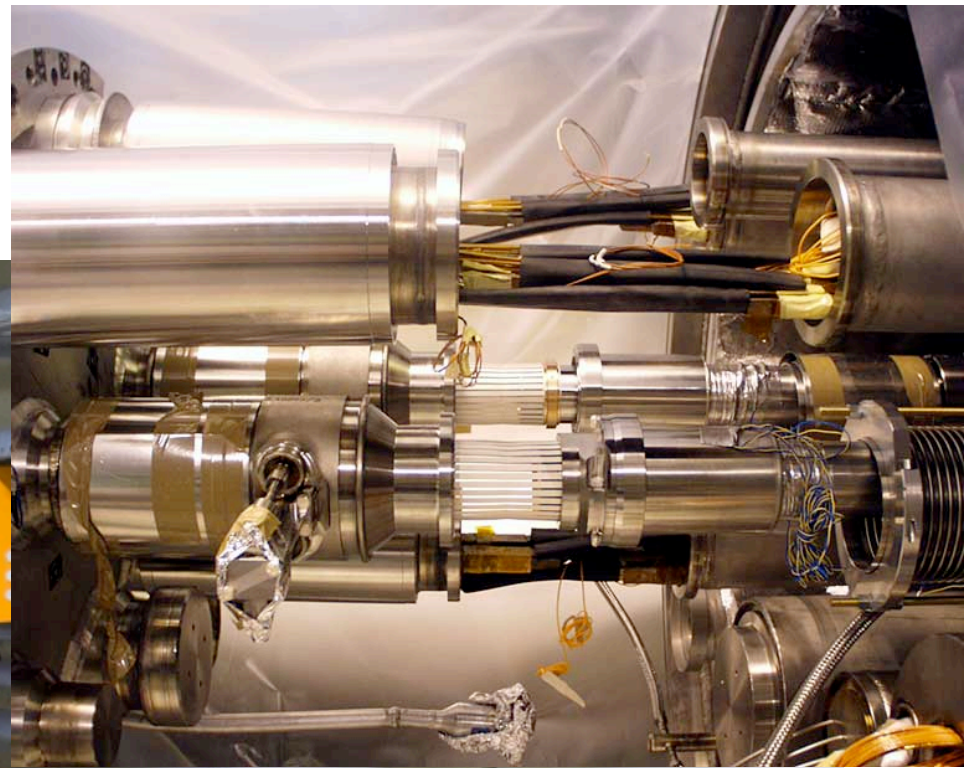
The Temperature margin is the reduced, one can loose less particles....





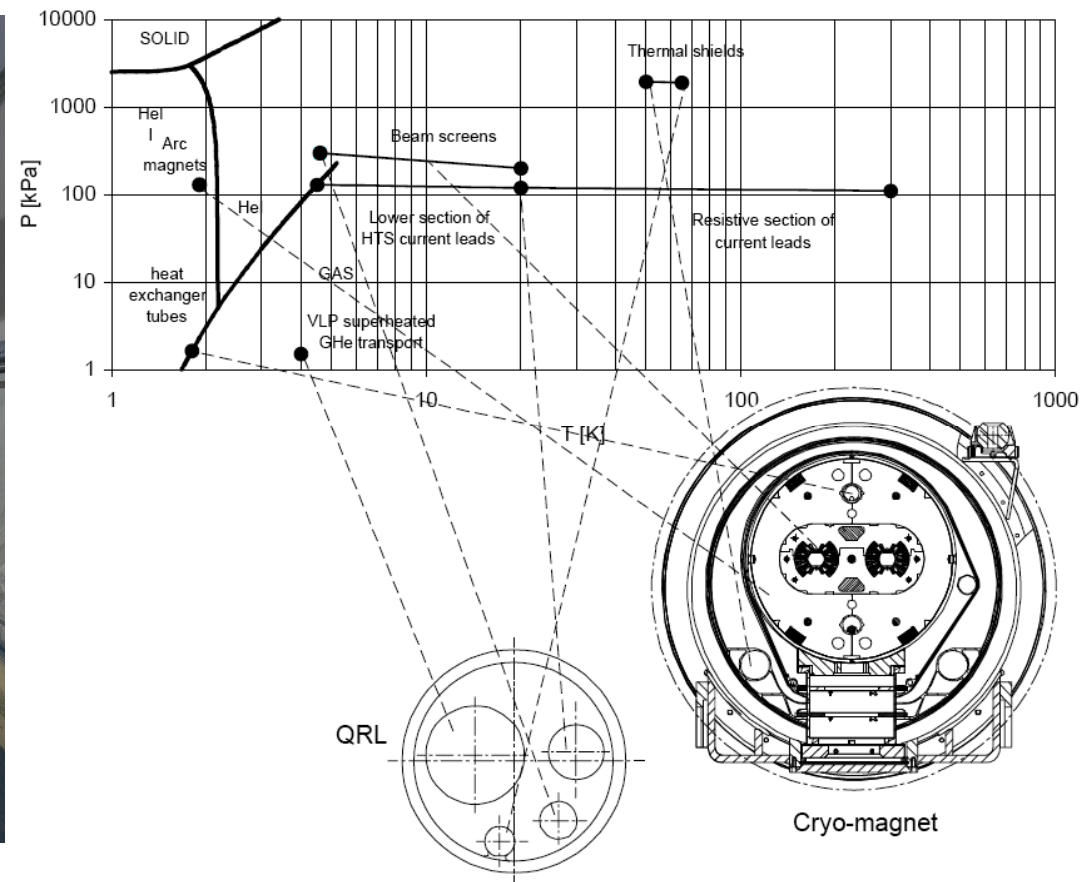
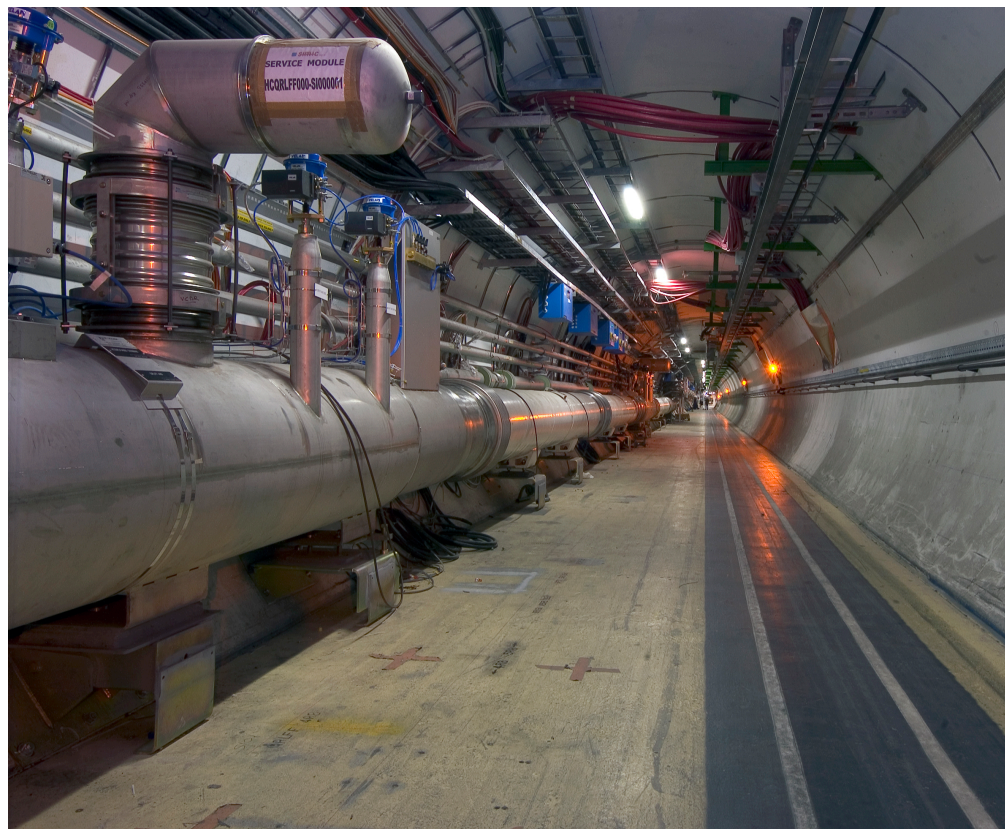
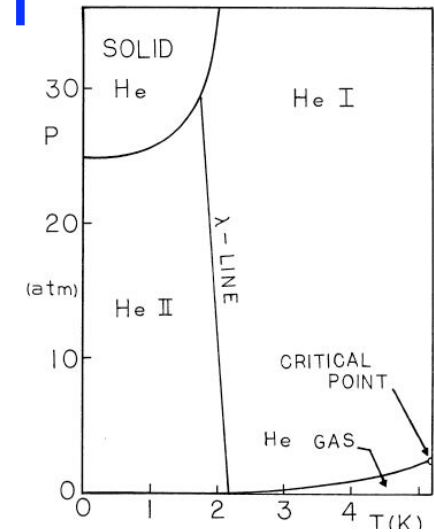
LHC during installation



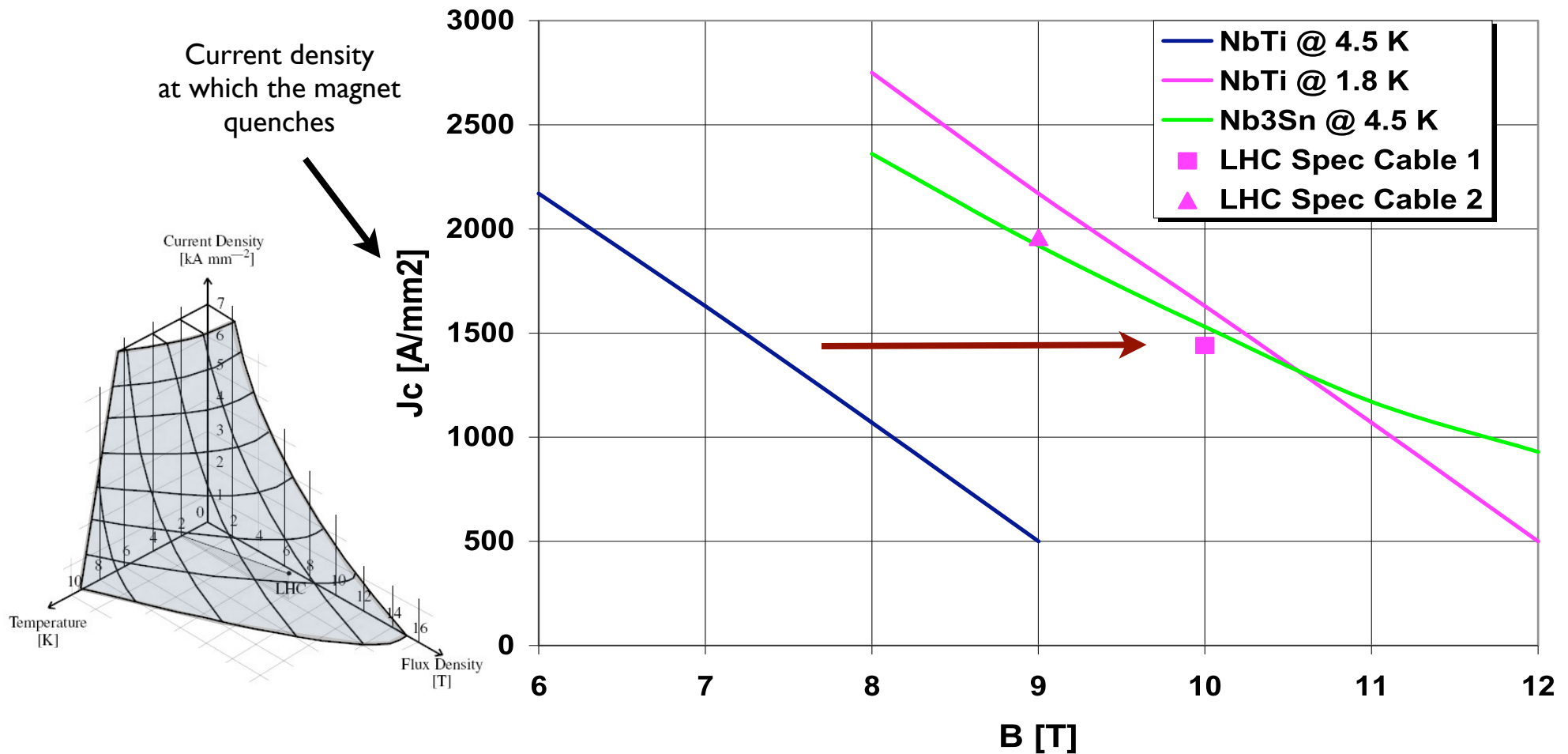


Which coolant ? Liquid superfluid helium

LHC cryogenics will need 40,000 leak-tight pipe junctions.
12 million litres of liquid nitrogen will be vaporised during the initial cooldown of 31,000 tons of material and the total inventory of liquid helium will be 700,000 l (about 100 tonnes)



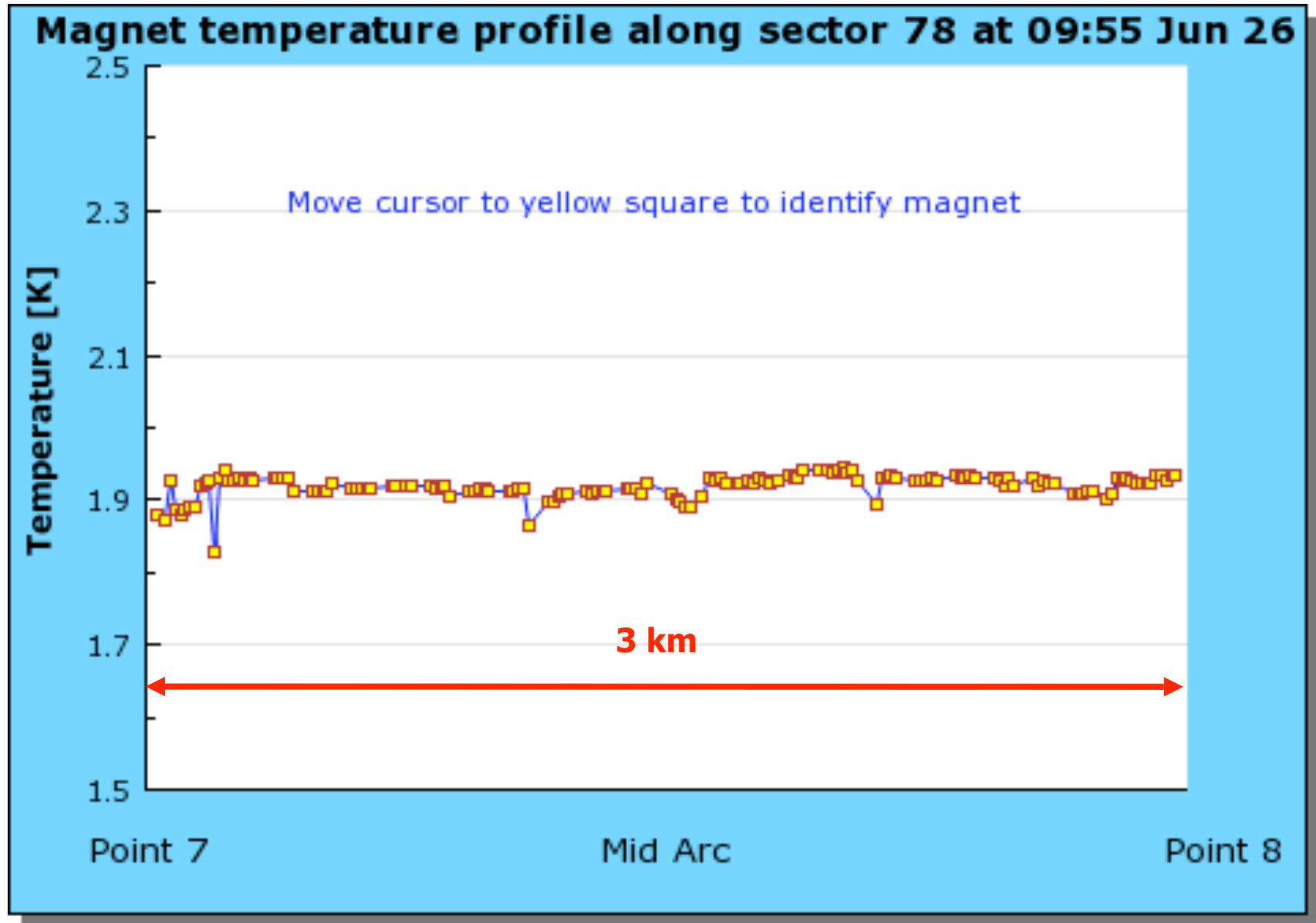
Why 1.9 K and not 4.5 K (Hera-like) ?



Gain of 3 T lowering the temperature for 4.5 K to 1.9 K.
Gain in dipoles bending strength and hence of MAX energy

The minimum temperature on the MOON is 126 K

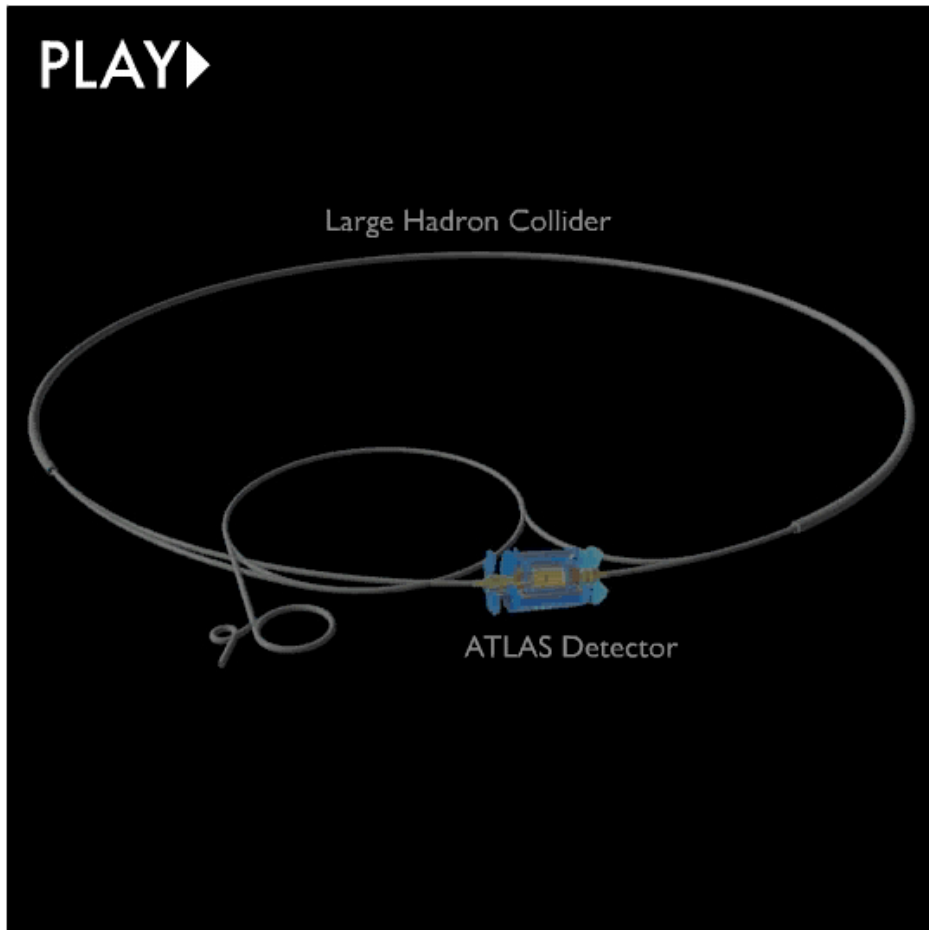
Cooling down one octant



The coldest place on earth...

Why particle accelerators ?

- *Why accelerators:* need to produce under controlled conditions HIGH INTENSITY, at a CHOSEN ENERGY particle beams of GIVEN PARTICLE SPECIES to do an EXPERIMENT
- An experiment consists of studying the results of colliding particles either onto a fixed target or with another particle beam.



The cosmo is already doing collisions with different mechanisms:

while I am speaking about $66 \cdot 10^9$ particles/cm²/s are traversing your body, with this spectrum before being filtered by the atmosphere.

The universe is able to accelerate particles up to 10^6 MeV protons

