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**Current Status of ATLAS**

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# Status of the ATLAS experiment and plans for 2009

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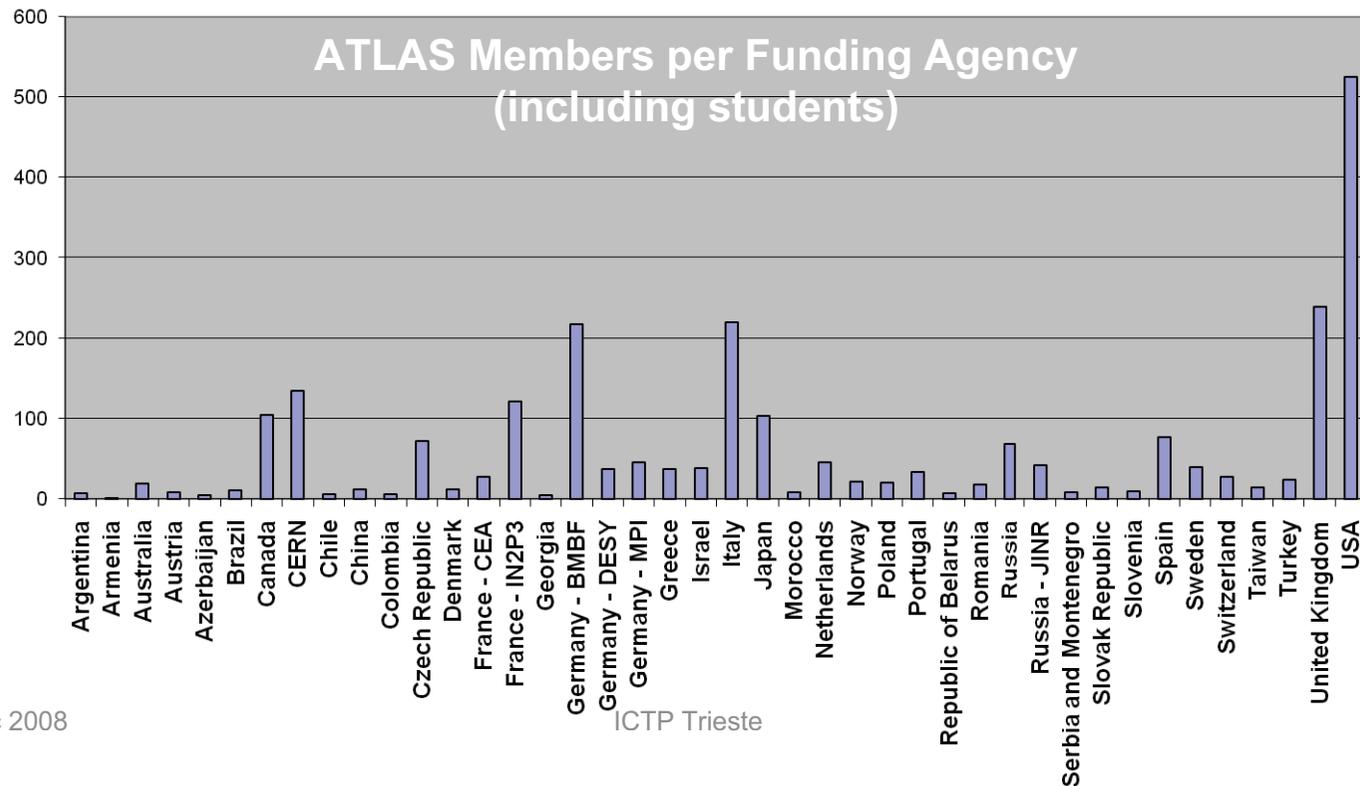
on behalf of the ATLAS Collaboration

- ❑ Status of the ATLAS sub-systems
- ❑ Data taking with cosmics
- ❑ Experience with first LHC beams
- ❑ Plans for 2009

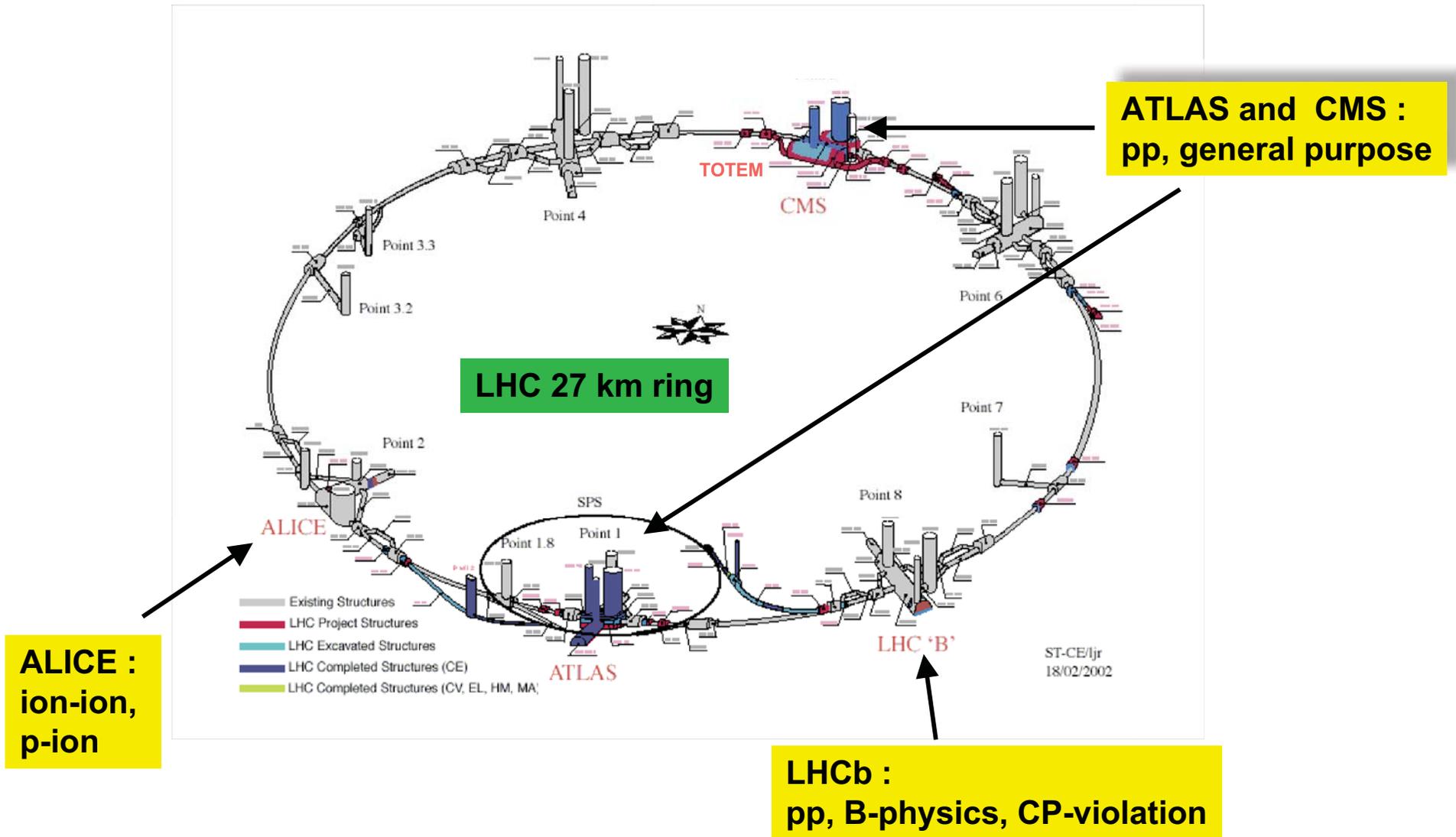
# ATLAS Collaboration

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37 Countries  
169 Institutions  
2500 Scientific Authors



# Overview of the LHC complex

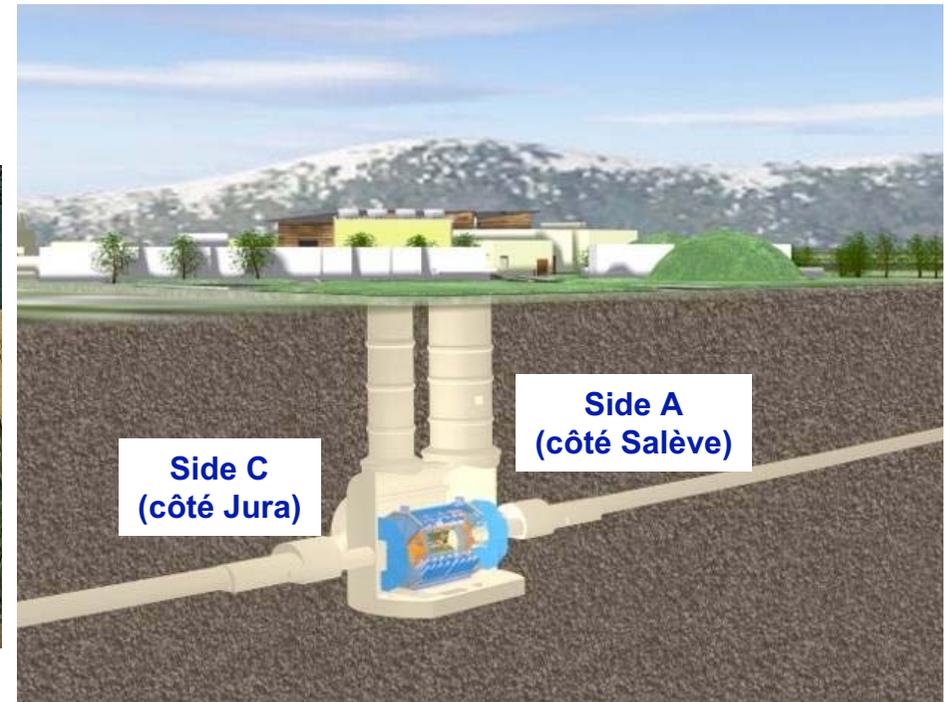
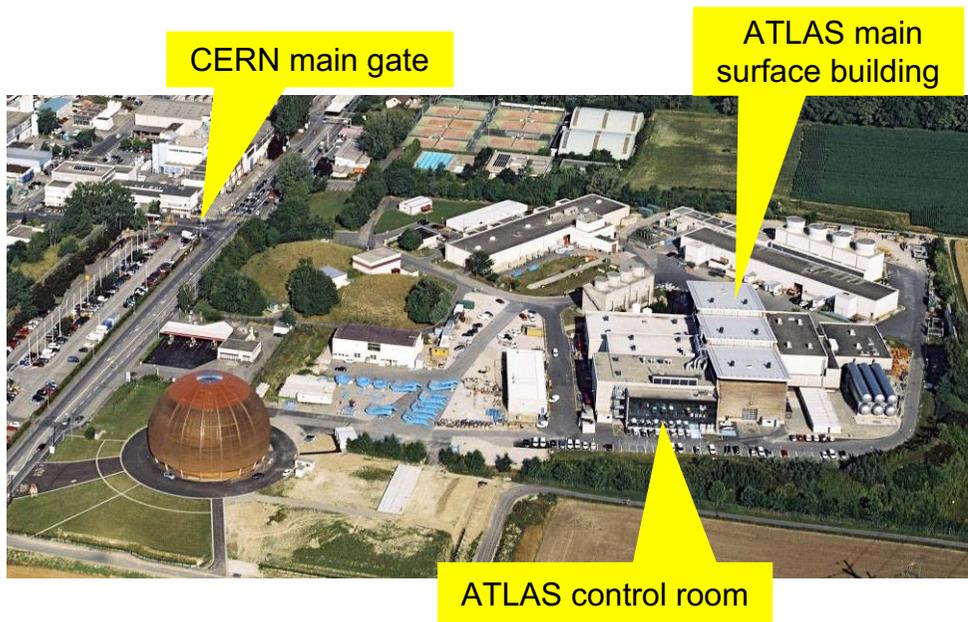


# LHC point 1

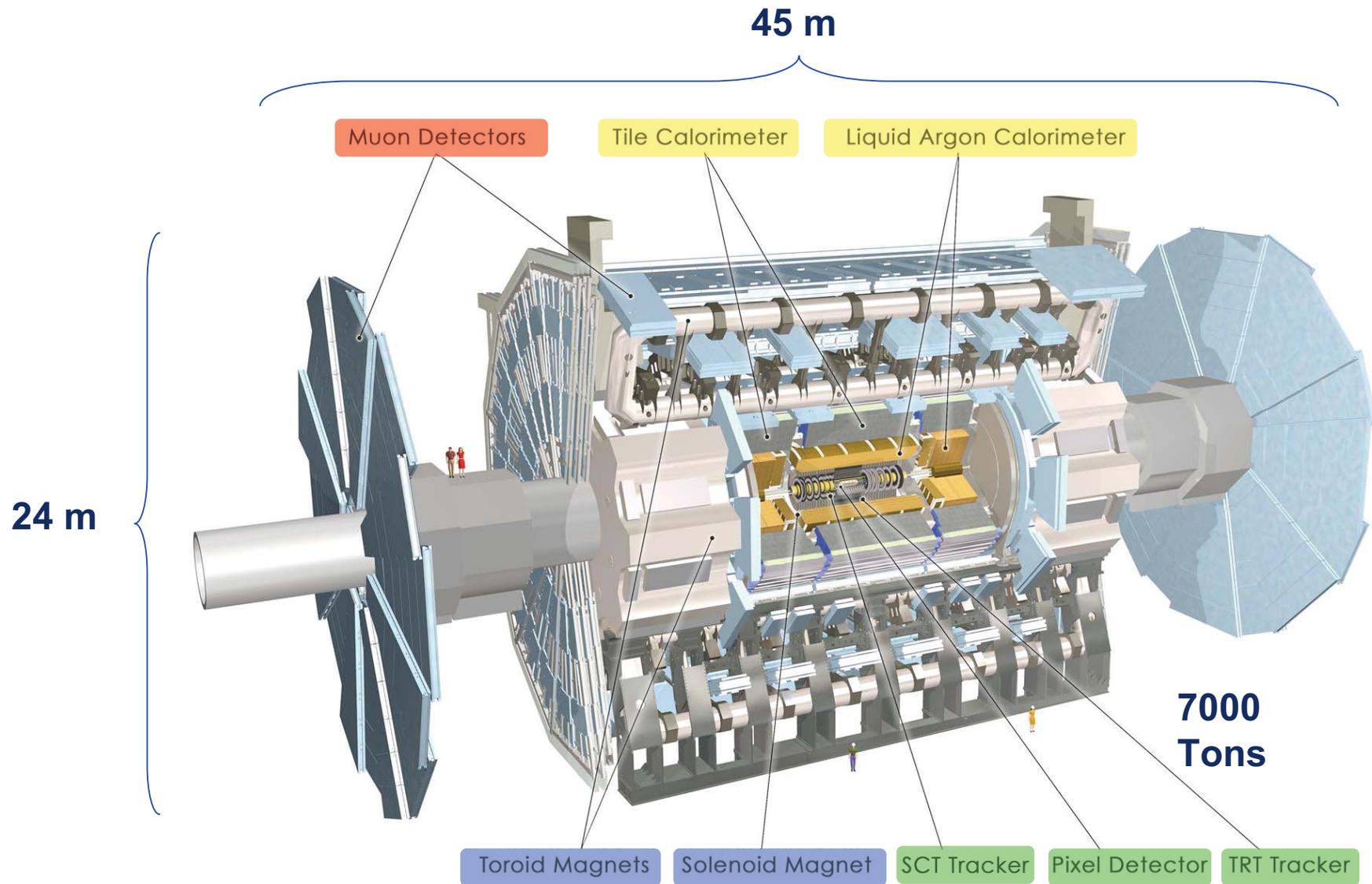
## Cavern hosting the ATLAS Detector

~100m below ground level

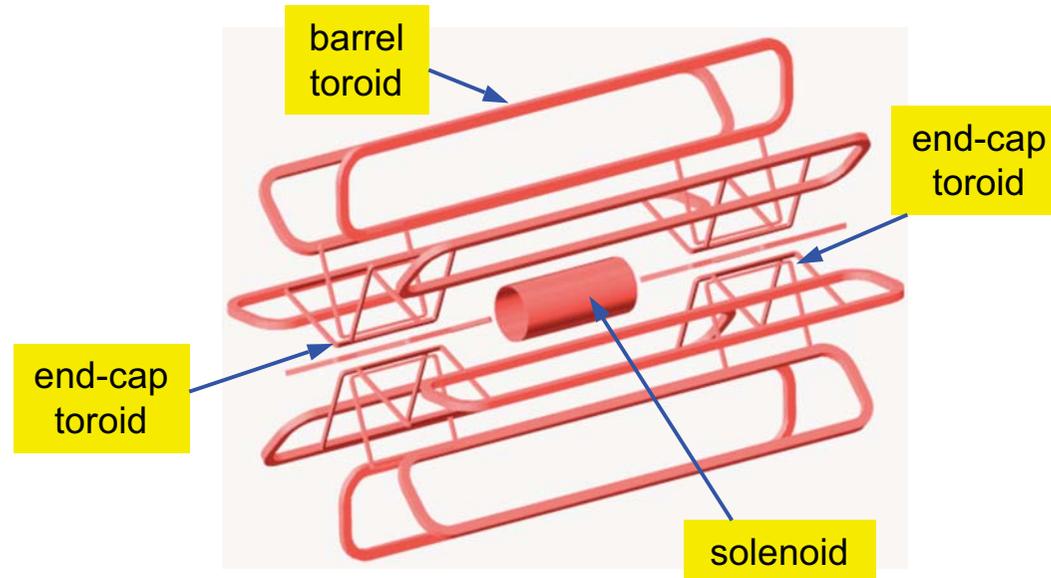
Length=55m, Width=32m, Height=35m



# ATLAS Detector



# Magnet System



## Solenoid parameters

5.3 m axial length  
2.63 m outer diameter  
1 coil  
0.039 GJ stored energy  
5.4 tons cold mass  
5.7 tons weight  
2.6 T on superconductor  
10 km Al/NbTi/Cu conductor  
7.73 kA nominal current  
4.7 K working point  
0.66  $X_0$  thickness

Bare central solenoid after completion of the coil winding



# Magnet System

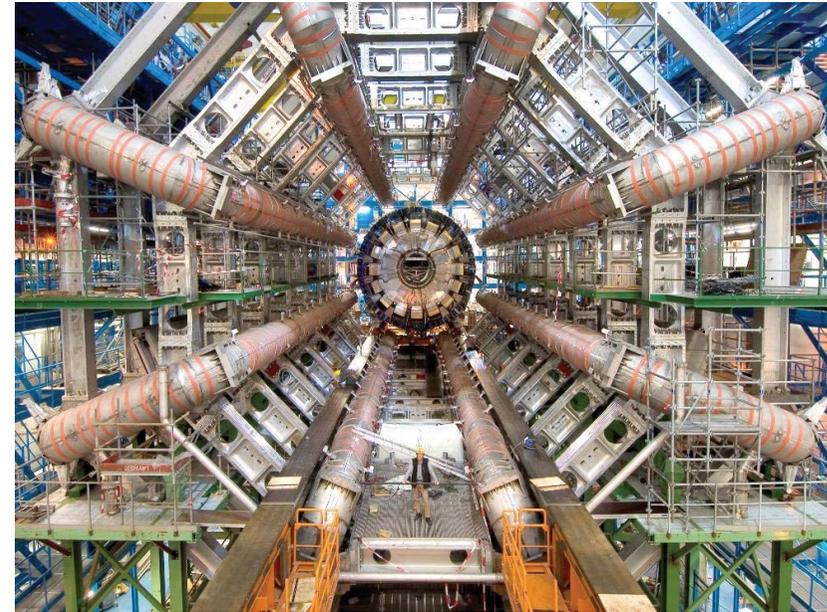
## Barrel Toroid parameters

25.3 m length  
20.1 m outer diameter  
8 coils  
1.08 GJ stored energy  
370 tons cold mass  
830 tons weight  
4 T on superconductor  
56 km Al/NbTi/Cu conductor  
20.5 kA nominal current  
4.7 K working point

## End-Cap Toroid parameters

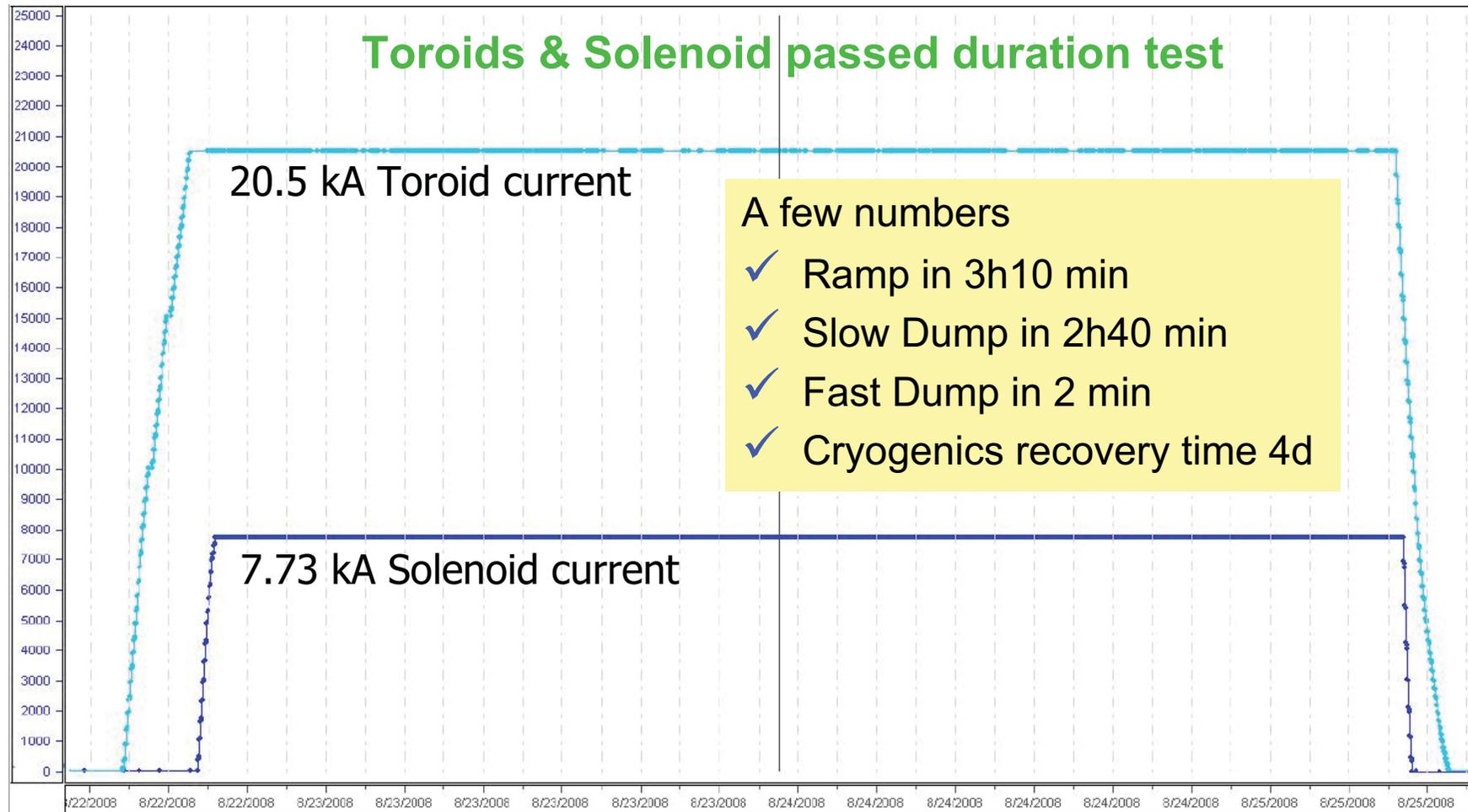
5.0 m axial length  
10.7 m outer diameter  
2x8 coils  
2x0.25 GJ stored energy  
2x160 tons cold mass  
2x240 tons weight  
4 T on superconductor  
2x13 km Al/NbTi/Cu conductor  
20.5 kA nominal current  
4.7 K working point

Barrel toroid as installed  
in the experimental cavern



An end-cap toroid during  
transportation to Point-1

# Magnet System Test

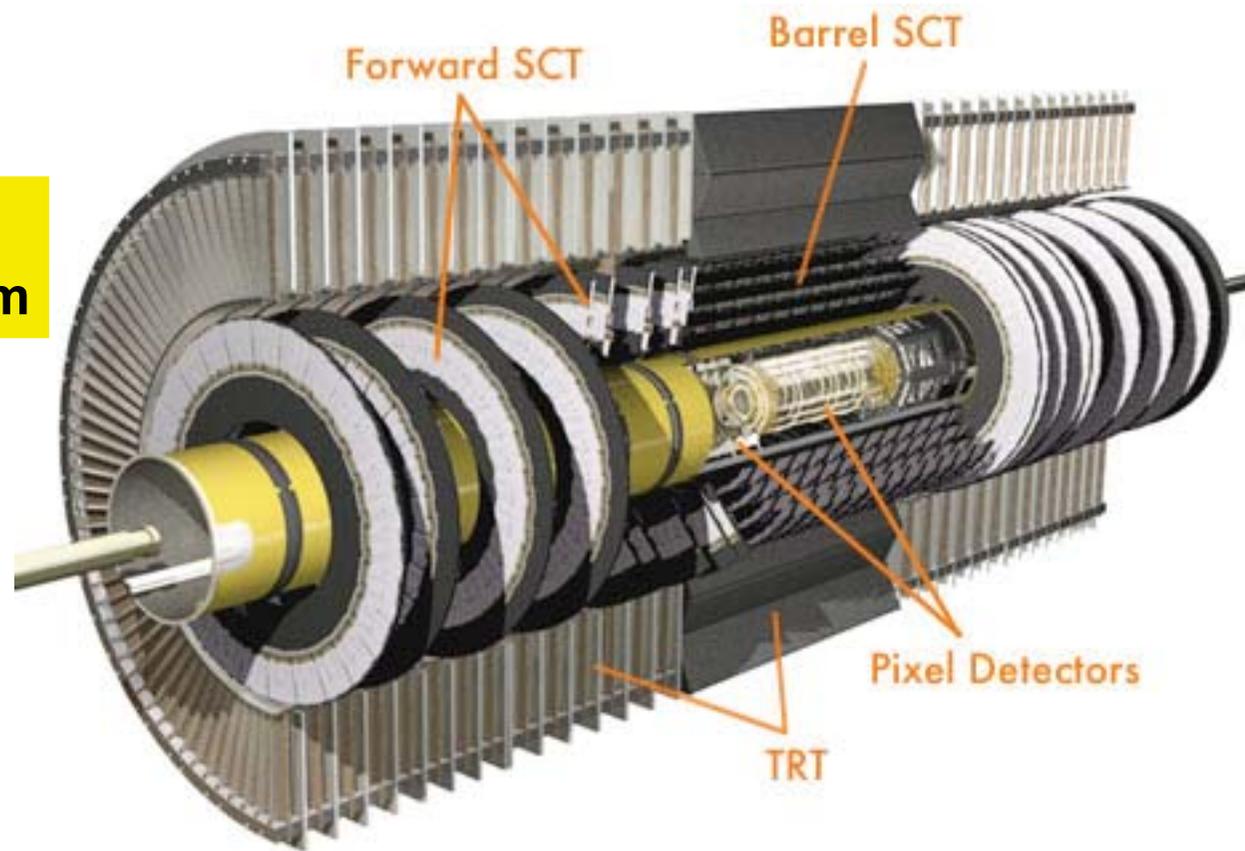


- Ramp to full field on 22 Aug, slow dump on 25 Aug 08
  - ✓ System is ready for continuous operation
- Magnets in normal operation for many days since then

# Tracking

**Inner Detector** operated in a 2 Tesla solenoidal field,  $\sigma/p_T \sim 5 \times 10^{-4} p_T \oplus 0.01$   
Coverage:  $|\eta| < 2.5$  Electron identification:  $|\eta| < 2.0$  and  $0.5 < E < 150$  GeV

Length 6.2m  
Diameter 2.1m



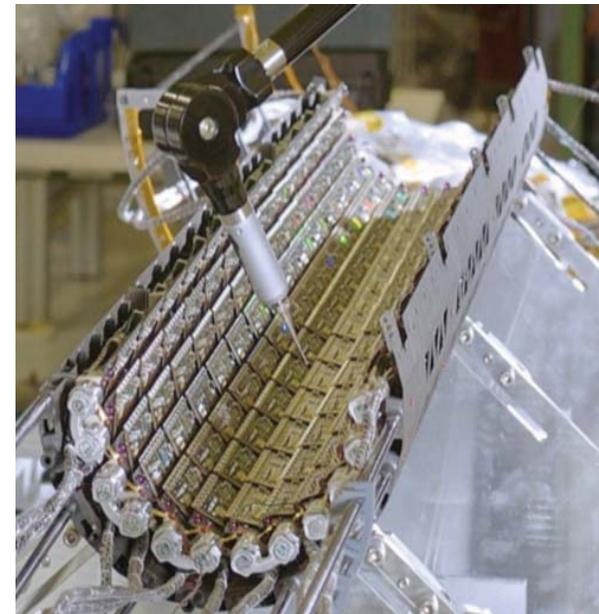
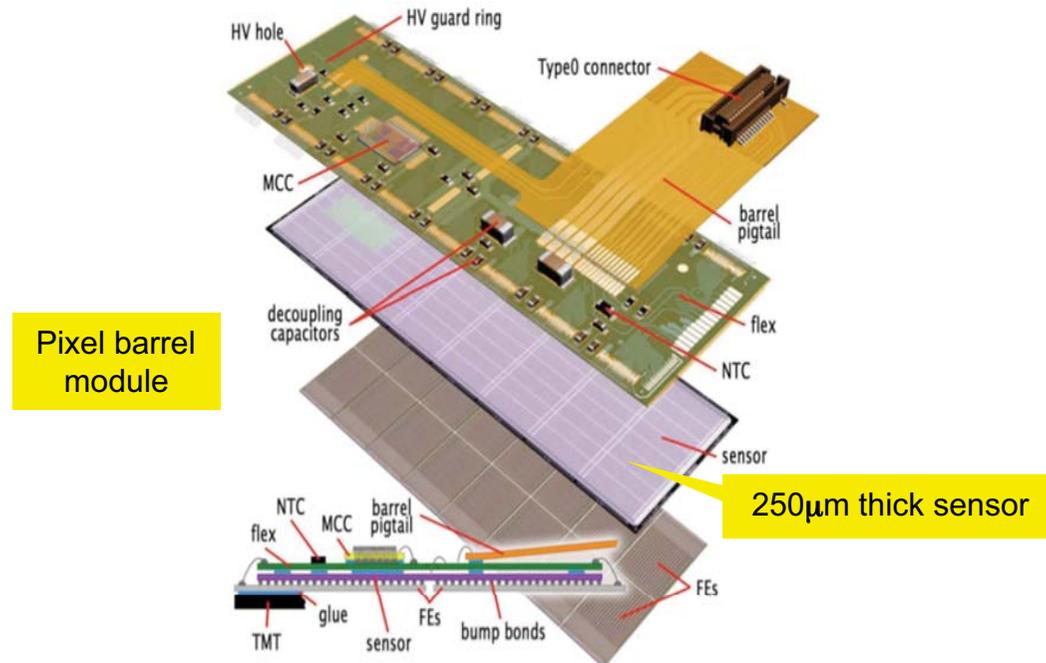
# Pixel Detector

## Basic description and expected performances

- 3 cylindrical layers with radius 5, 8, 12 cm in barrel region
- 2x3 disks in forward regions
- 1744 modules, each module with  $\sim 47000$  pixels  $50 \times 400 \mu\text{m}^2$
- hit resolution  $10 \mu\text{m} \times 110 \mu\text{m}$
- $0.8 \cdot 10^8$  channels

## Installation in cavern

June 2007



# Silicon Central Tracker (SCT)

## Basic description and expected performances

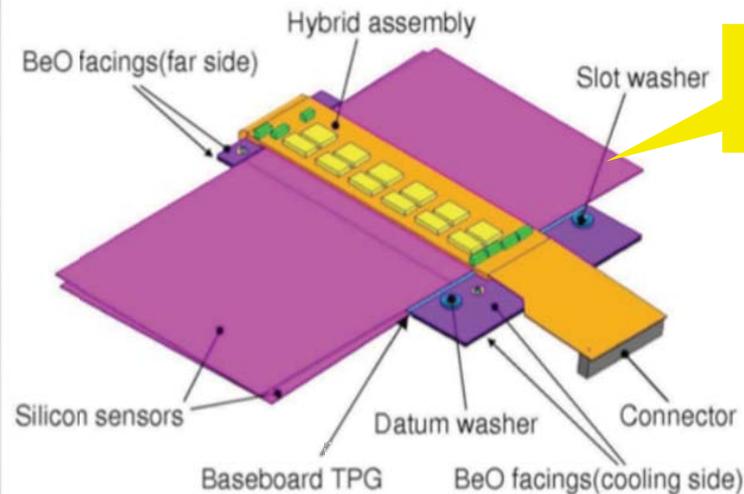
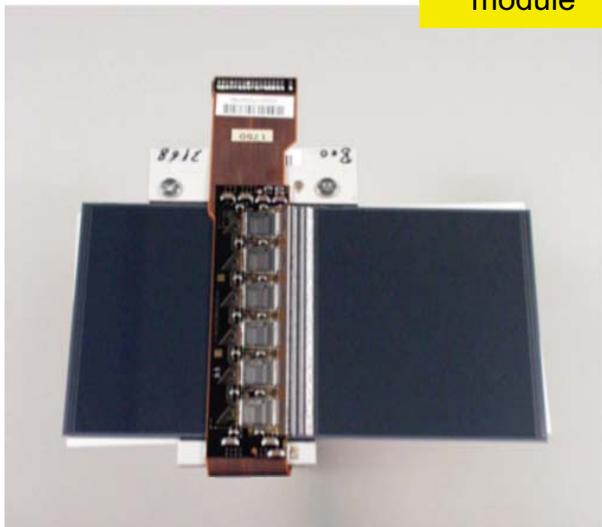
- 4 cylindrical double layers with radius 30, 37, 44, 51 cm
- 2x9 disks in forward regions
- 4088 SCT modules, 80  $\mu\text{m}$  micro-strips
- hit resolution 17 $\mu\text{m}$  x 580 $\mu\text{m}$
- 6  $10^6$  channels

## Installation in cavern

August 2006



SCT barrel module



single-sided  
p-in-n technology  
285 $\mu\text{m}$  thickness

# Transition Radiation Tracker (TRT)

## Basic description and expected performances

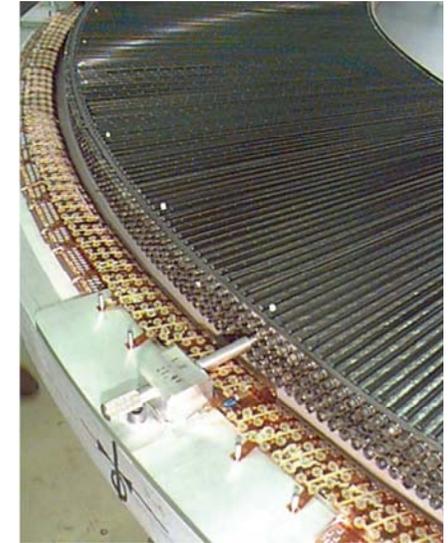
- radiator made of polypropylene fibres/foils (barrel/end-caps)
- 4mm diameter straw tubes with 35 $\mu$ m anodic wires
- straws arranged in
  - 73 layers in the barrel region  
(straws along beam-axis)
  - 2x160 layers (disks) in the end-cap region  
(straws radially placed)
- hit resolution 130 $\mu$ m per straw
- 4  $10^5$  channels

## Installation in cavern

August 2006

A quarter of the barrel TRT during integration

TRT end-cap wheel during assembly

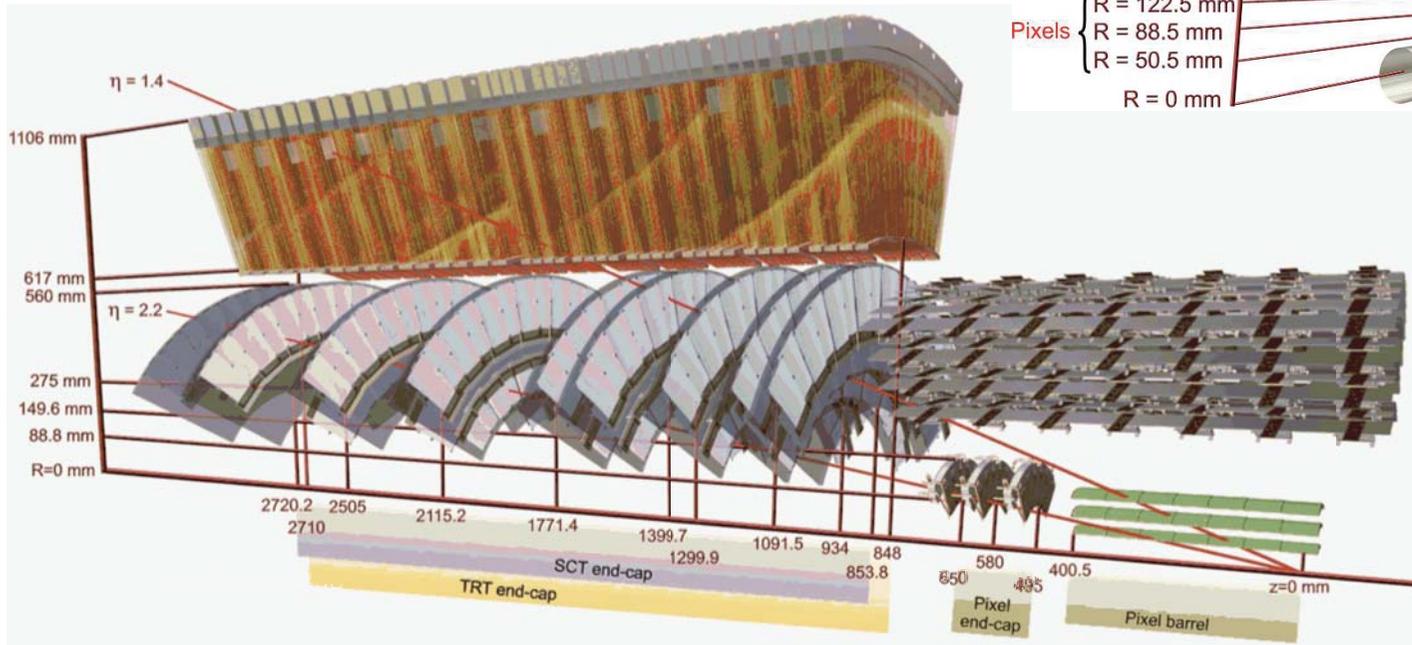
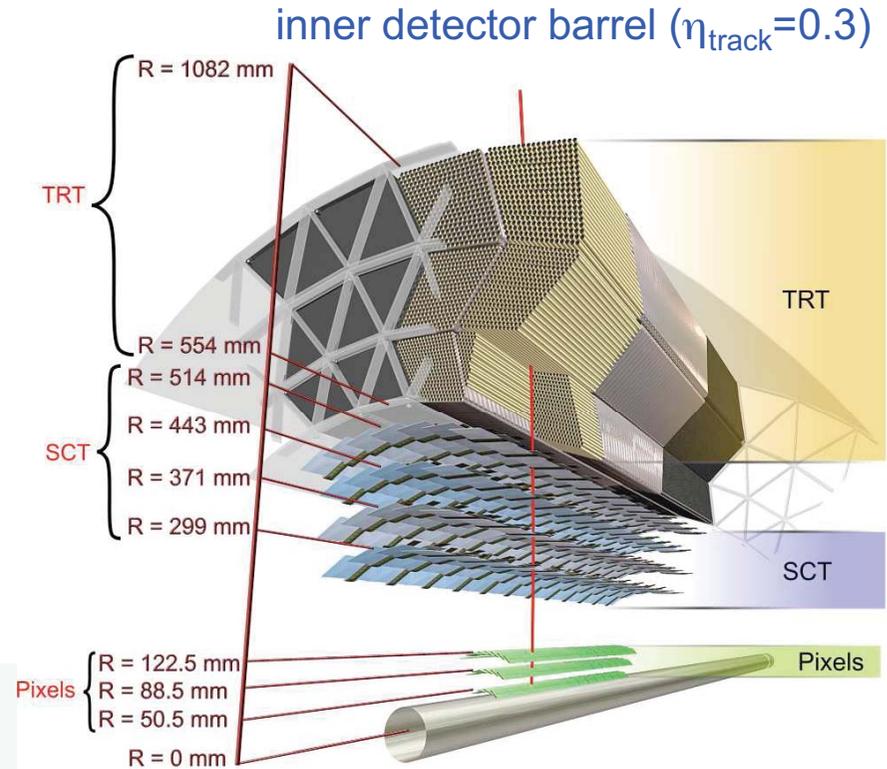


# Inner Detector

Drawings showing the sensors and structural elements traversed by charged tracks of  $p_T=10$  GeV

Large number of hits available for tracking:  
in barrel **3** (Pixels) + **4** (SCT) + **<36>** (TRT)

inner detector end-cap ( $\eta_{\text{track}}=1.4, 2.2$ )  
TRT coverage:  $|\eta|<2$



# Inner Detector Cooling System

## Cooling system

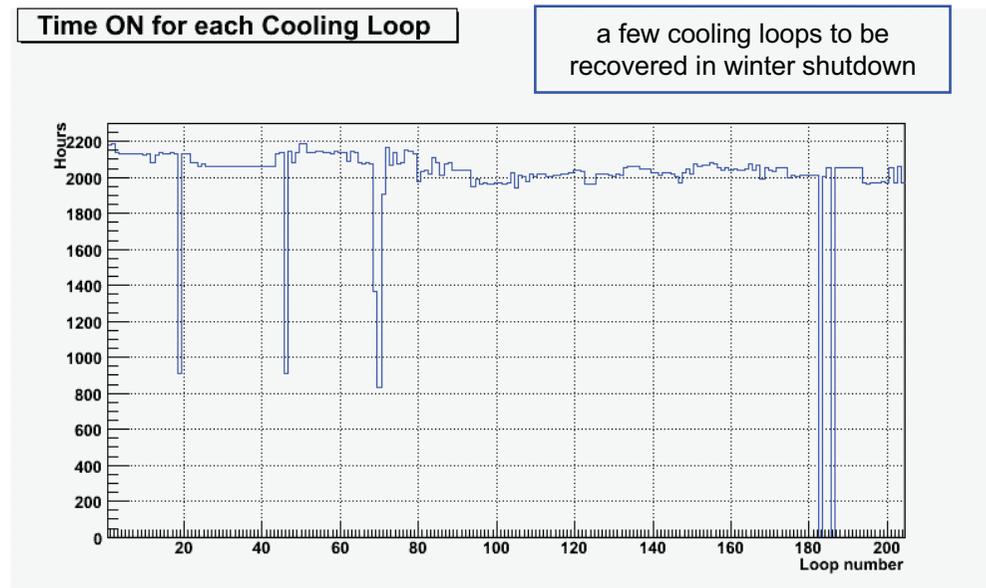
- ❑ In order to reduce leakage currents after radiation damage  
Pixel+SCT Silicon sensors operated at low temperature ( $\sim -7^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
- ❑ TRT, surrounding them, operated at room temperature
- ⇒ evaporative cooling system used (coolant at  $-25^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

## Cooling status

- ❑ In May 2008 cooling plant failure (defective compressor component)
- ❑ Repair and cleaning until July (5 loops with leaks excluded)
- ❑ Running stable for many days, still gaining experience  
To be improved during shutdown

**All ID sub-detectors took significant data after recovering from cooling failure**

8-13 Dec 2008



# Inner Detector status

## Pixels

- 3 leaky cooling loops in end-cap (12 modules per loop)
- 0.3-0.7 hits/BC in the full detector
- alignment rapidly progressing: residuals  $\sigma \sim 50\mu\text{m}$

## SCT

- 2 leaky cooling loops in end-cap
- barrel noise occupancy  $\sim 4.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$ , end-cap  $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
- residual distribution:  $\sigma \sim 60\mu\text{m}$  from alignment with cosmics data

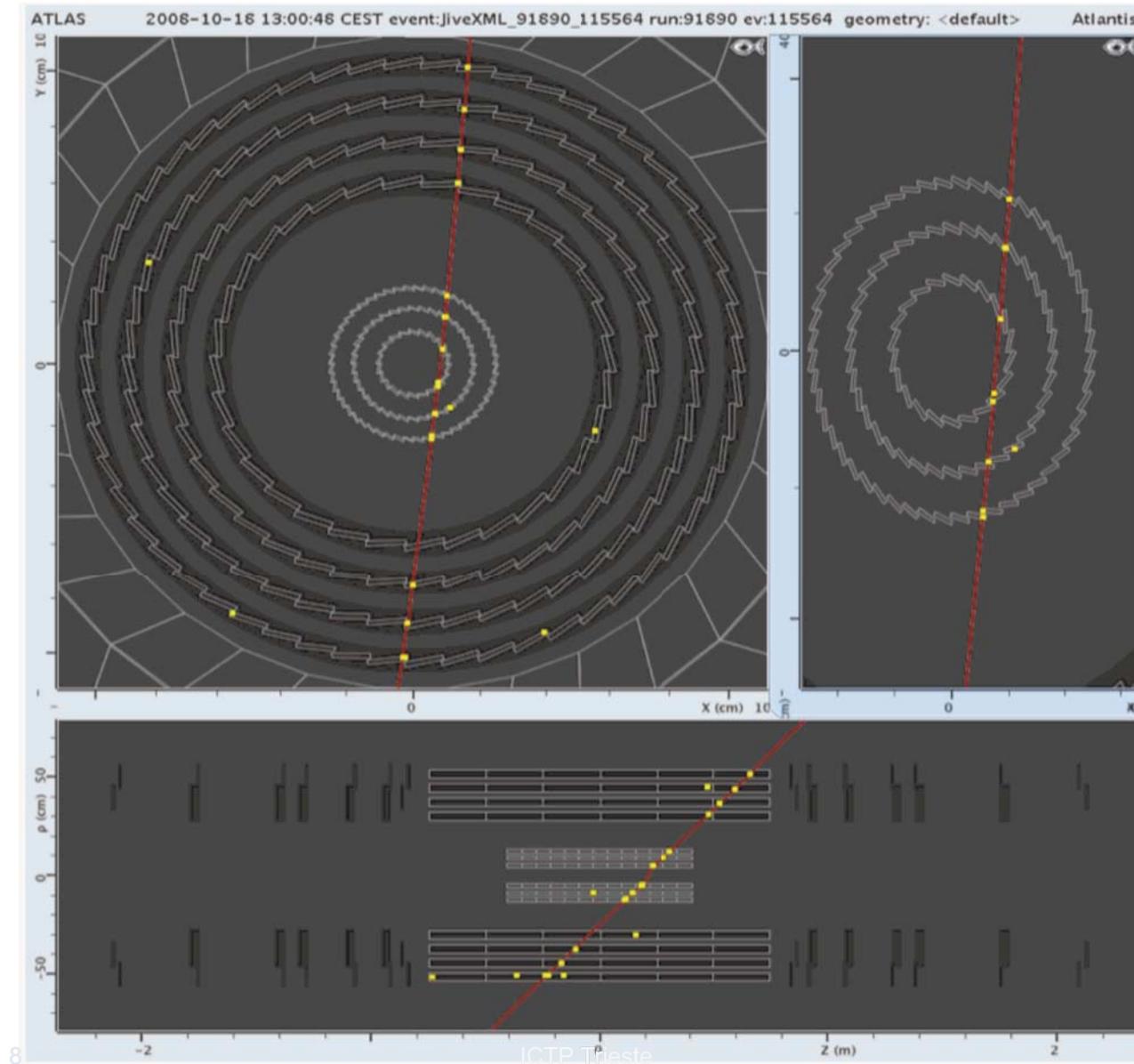
## TRT

- running with cosmics already since long time
- since September switched from Argon to Xenon based mixture (Xe/CO<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub>)  
Ar or Xe running to be decided
- residuals with cosmics tracks:  $\sigma \sim 174\mu\text{m}$

## Coverage summary:

<b>Pixels</b>	<b>&gt;95%</b> of the modules in stable data taking
<b>SCT</b>	<b>99.8% barrel</b> and <b>97.6% end-cap</b> modules in operation
<b>TRT</b>	<b>98%</b> read out (2% dead channels from assembly and installation)

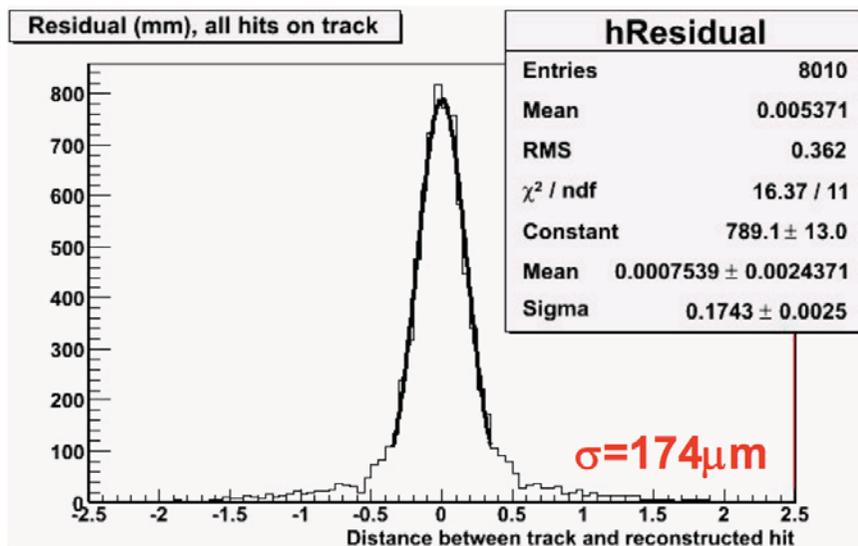
# Cosmic track in Pixels and SC



# Cosmic events in TRT

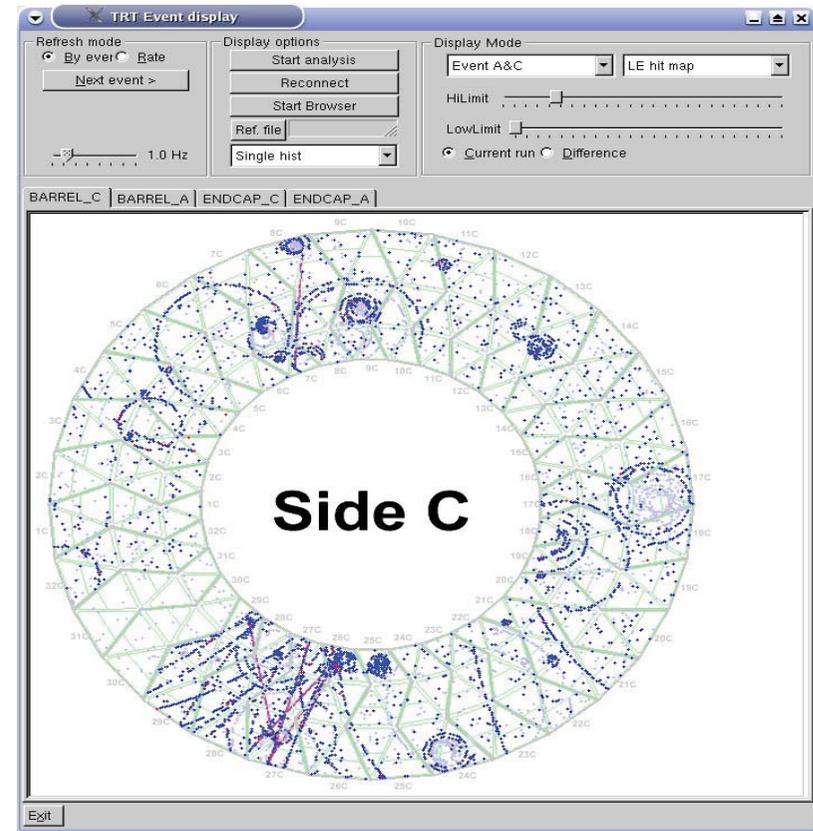
## Alignment with cosmic tracks

hit resolution =  $174\mu\text{m}$  (from all straws)  
already comparable with design  
performance of  $130\mu\text{m}$



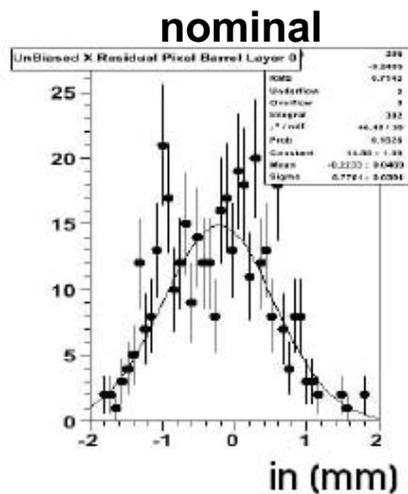
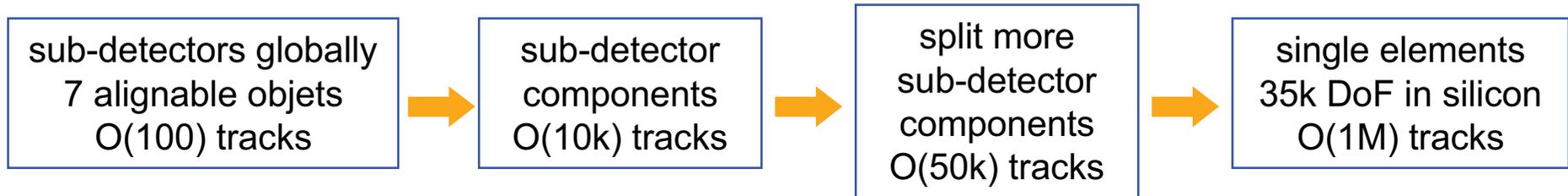
## TRT event display

cosmic event in the barrel TRT  
with magnetic field on

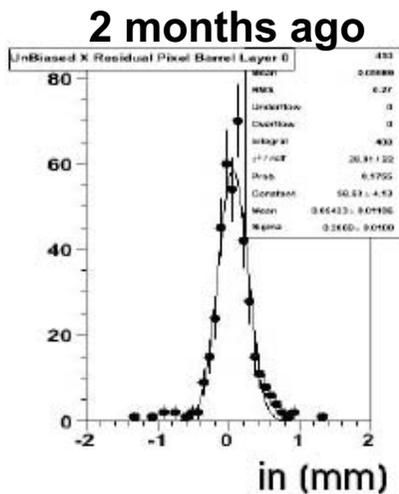


# ID alignment with cosmics

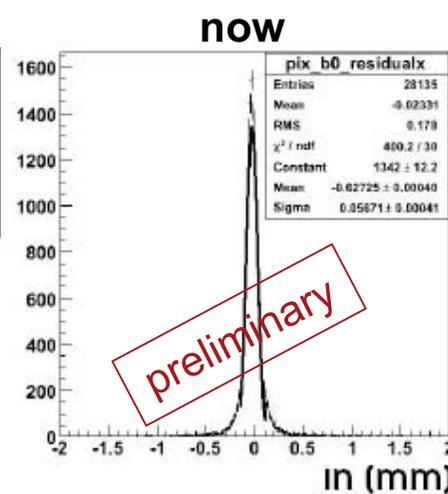
ID alignment performed in steps with increasing DoF



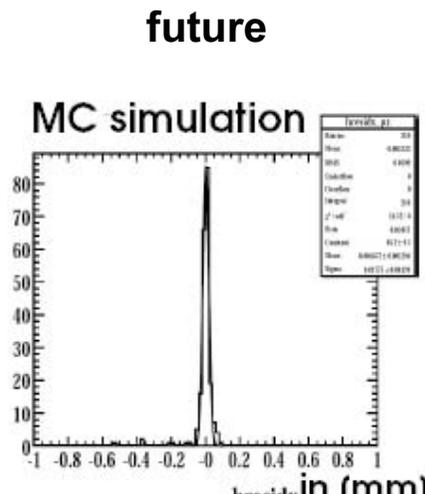
~1mm



~250 $\mu$ m



~50 $\mu$ m

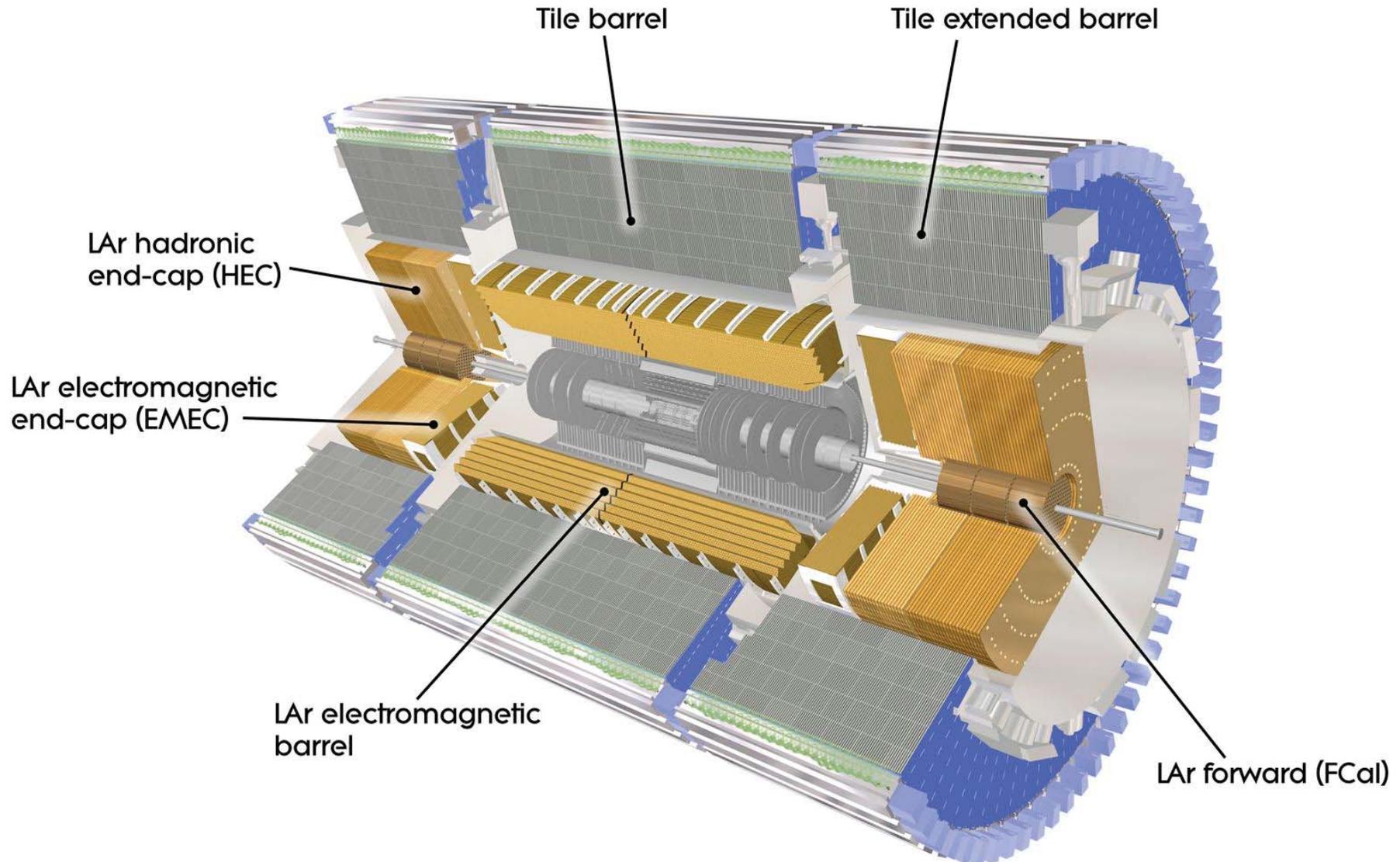


~15 $\mu$ m

# Calorimetry

Coverage  $|\eta| < 5$ , complete azimuthal symmetry

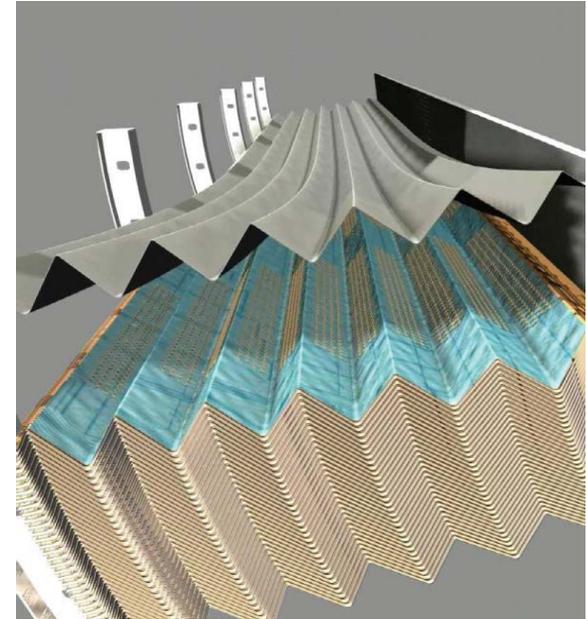
Energy measurement and trigger for  $e/\gamma$ , jets, missing  $E_T$ , ...



# Calorimetry

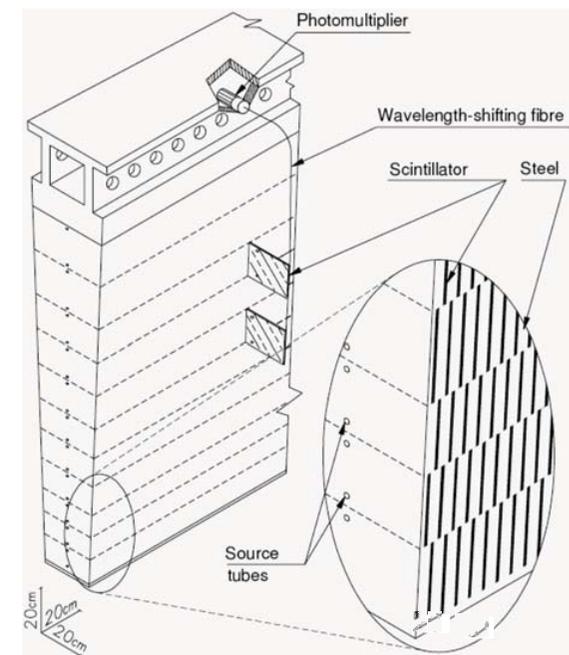
## Electromagnetic Calorimeter

- barrel, end-cap: Pb-LAr accordion-shaped geometry
- 3 longitudinal samplings ( $|\eta| < 2.5$ )
- pre-shower for  $|\eta| < 1.8$
- $\sigma(E)/E \sim 10\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.7\%$
- $\sim 180'000$  channels



## Hadronic Calorimeter

- barrel: Iron-Scintillator tiles (3 longitudinal samplings)
- end-cap/forward: Cu/W-Lar (4/3 longitudinal samplings)
- $\sigma(E)/E \sim 50\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 3\%$  for  $|\eta| < 3$
- $\sigma(E_T)/E_T \sim 100\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 10\%$  for  $3 < |\eta| < 5$
- $\sim 20'000$  channels



# LAr calorimeter status

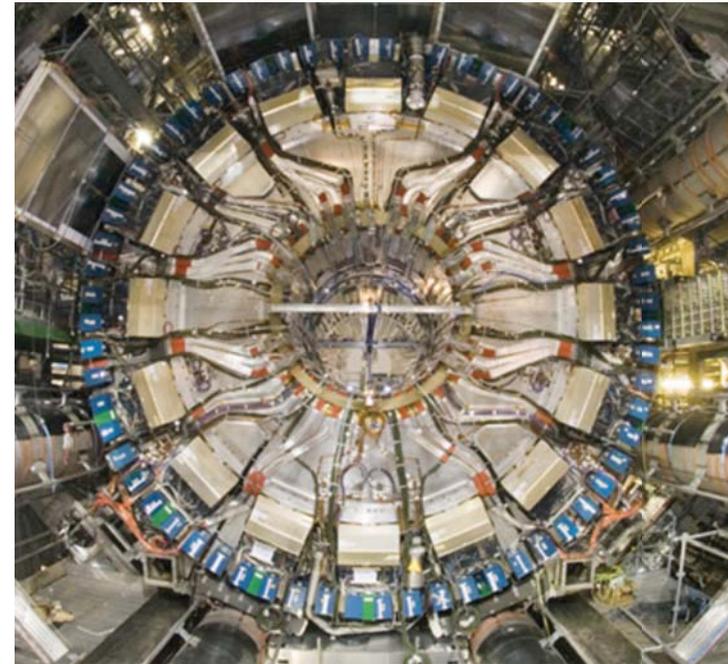
## Installation in cavern

Barrel      Oct 2004  
End-caps    by 2006

## Equipped with electronics

in May 2007 back-end and Apr 2008 front-end

Low voltage power supplies in the end-caps  
protected with extra-shielding to avoid  
trips as effect of magnetic field



## Running

May 2008 full calorimeter integrated in DAQ and slow control

## Active channels

**99.1% of detector in readout**

recovering of dead channels planned in coming winter shutdown

# Tile calorimeter status

## Installation in cavern

Ext. Barrel C Dec 2004  
Barrel Oct 2005  
Ext. Barrel A May 2006

## Equipped with electronics

May 2008 (after refurbishing)

## Running

May 2008 full calorimeter integrated in DAQ and slow control

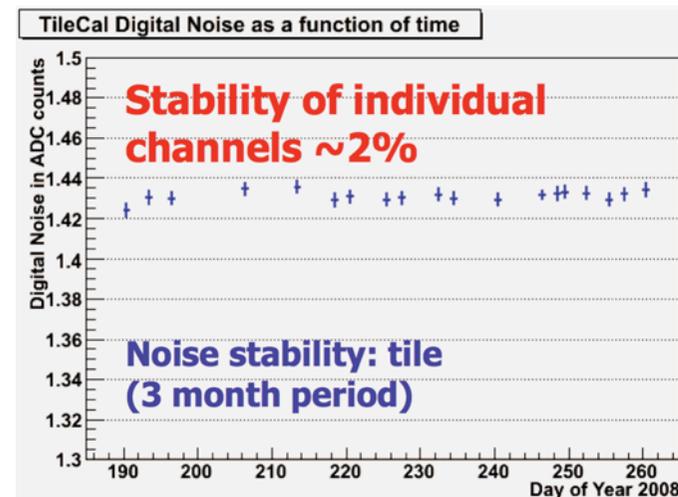
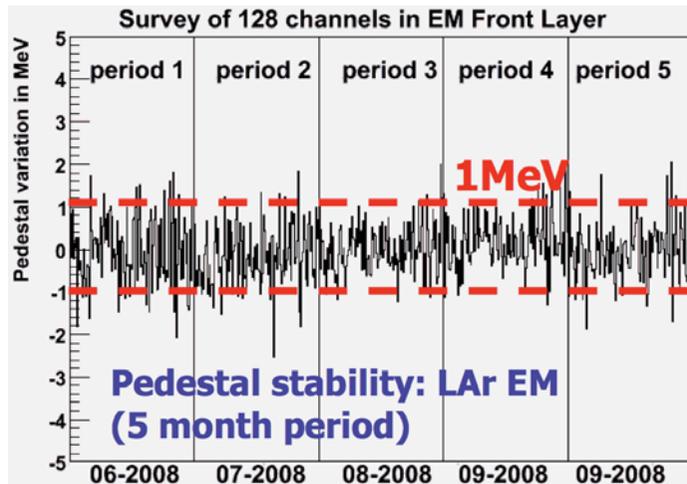
## Active channels

**98.6% of detector read out**

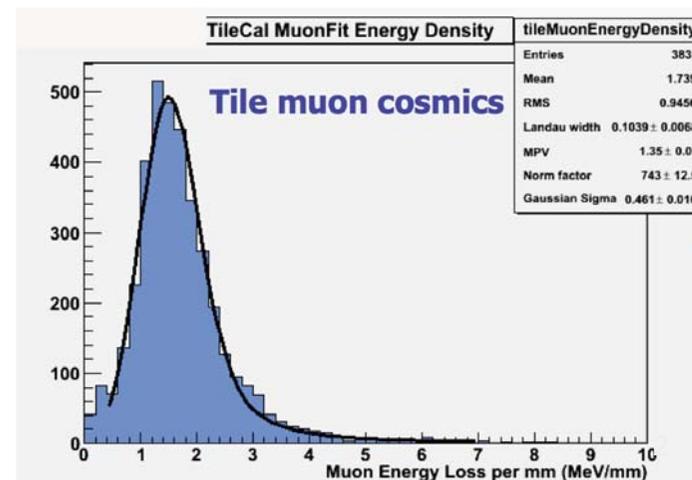
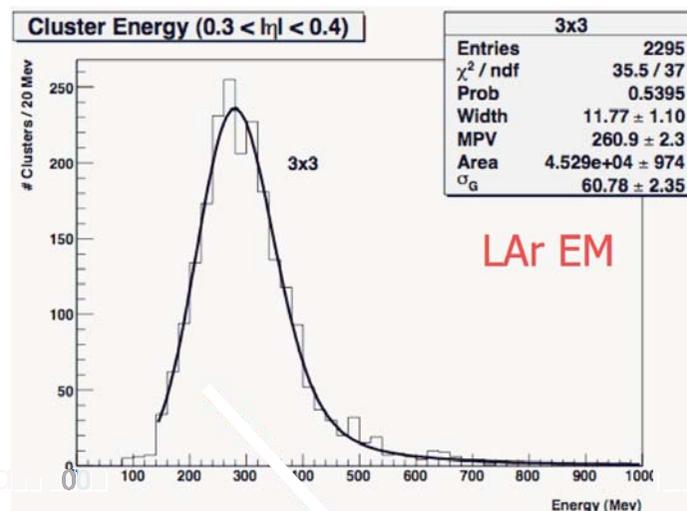


# Calorimeter stability and energy response

Stability studies for several months both in LAr and in Tile

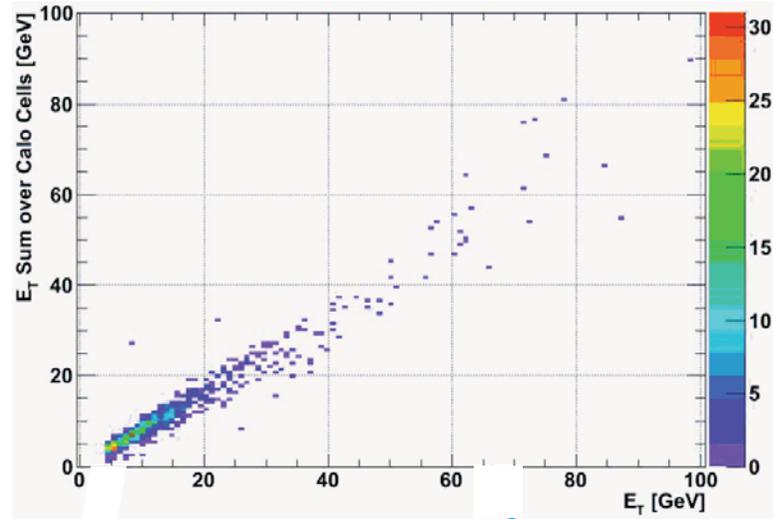


Energy response to cosmic muons in LAr and in Tile

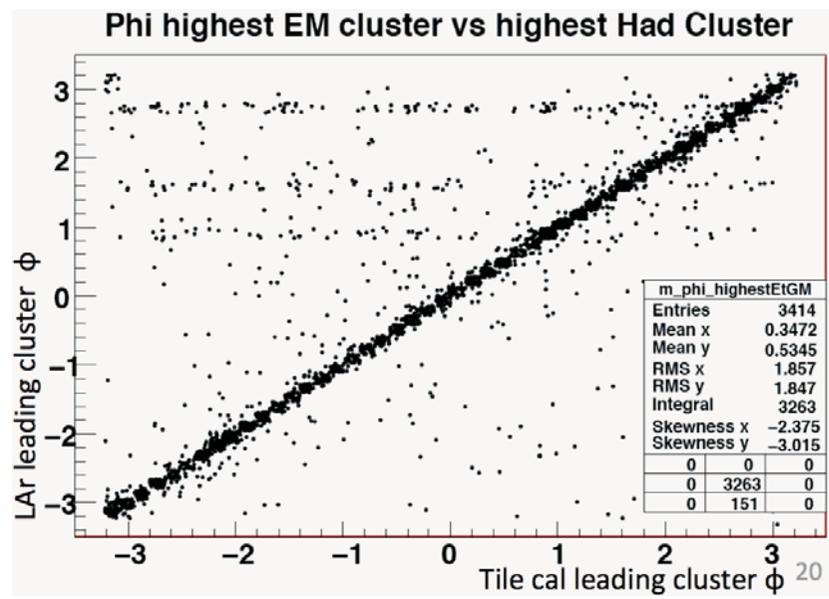


# Cosmics in calorimeters

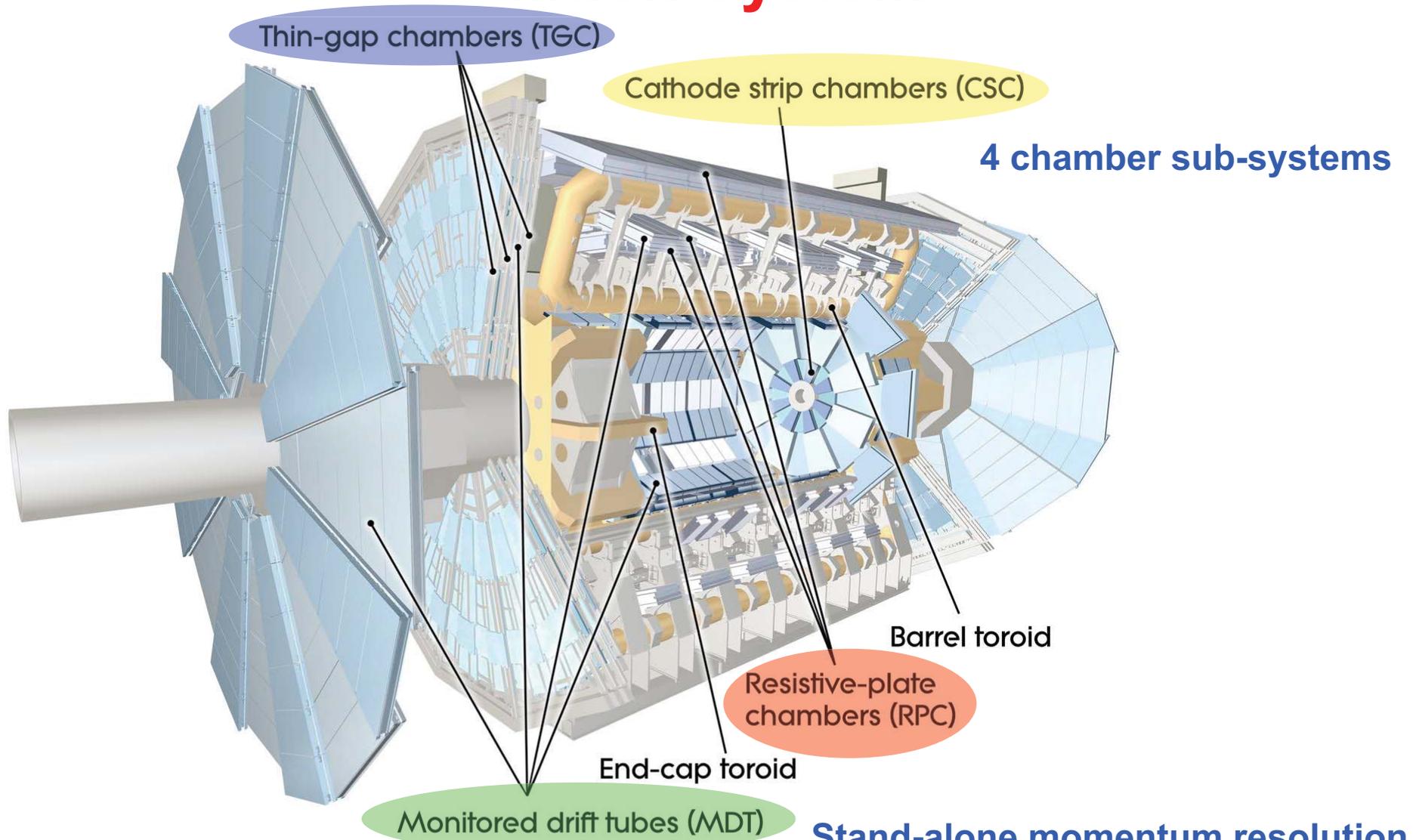
Correlation between  
**L1Calo** energy and **LAr** energy



Azimuthal correlation between  
highest energy EM and Hadronic clusters



# Muon System



**Air-core toroid magnets**

**2-6 Tm  $|\eta| < 1.3$    4-8 Tm  $1.6 < |\eta| < 2.7$**

**Stand-alone momentum resolution  
 $\Delta p_T/p_T < 10\%$  up to 1 TeV**

**Trigger on muons  
(also of moderate momentum)**

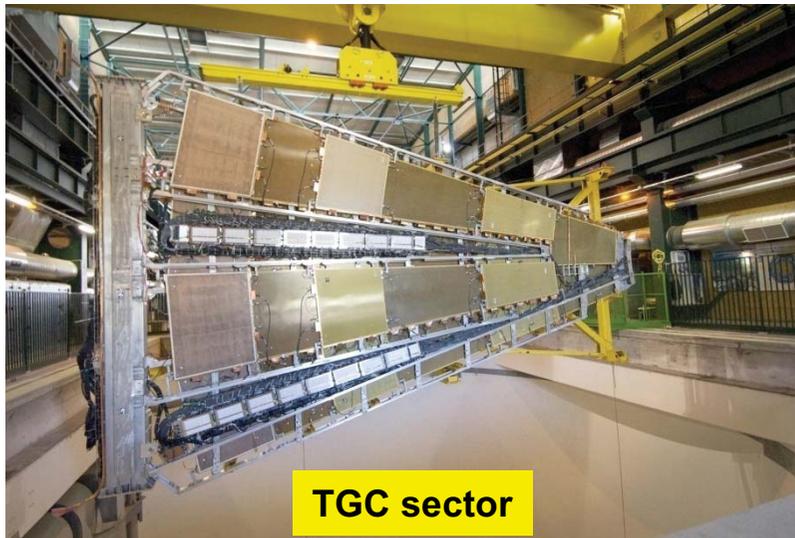
# Muon Spectrometer Chamber Technologies

Chamber resolution	$z/R$	$\phi$	time
MDT	35 $\mu\text{m}$ (z)	--	--
CSC	40 $\mu\text{m}$ (R)	5 mm	7 ns
RPC	10 mm (z)	10 mm	1.5 ns
TGC	2-6 mm (R)	3-7 mm	4 ns

	MDT	CSC	RPC	TGC
Chambers	1194	32	596	3588
Read. Chan.	370000	67000	355000	440000
Area ( $\text{m}^2$ )	5500	27	3650	2900

chambers for track reconstruction

trigger chambers



MDT multi-layer



RPC+MDT station



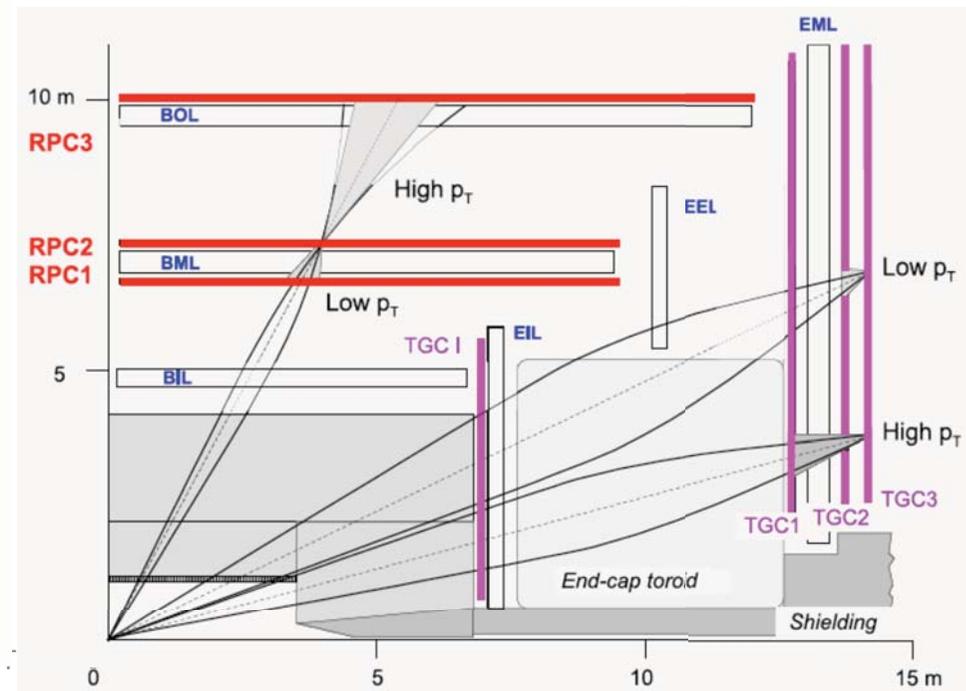
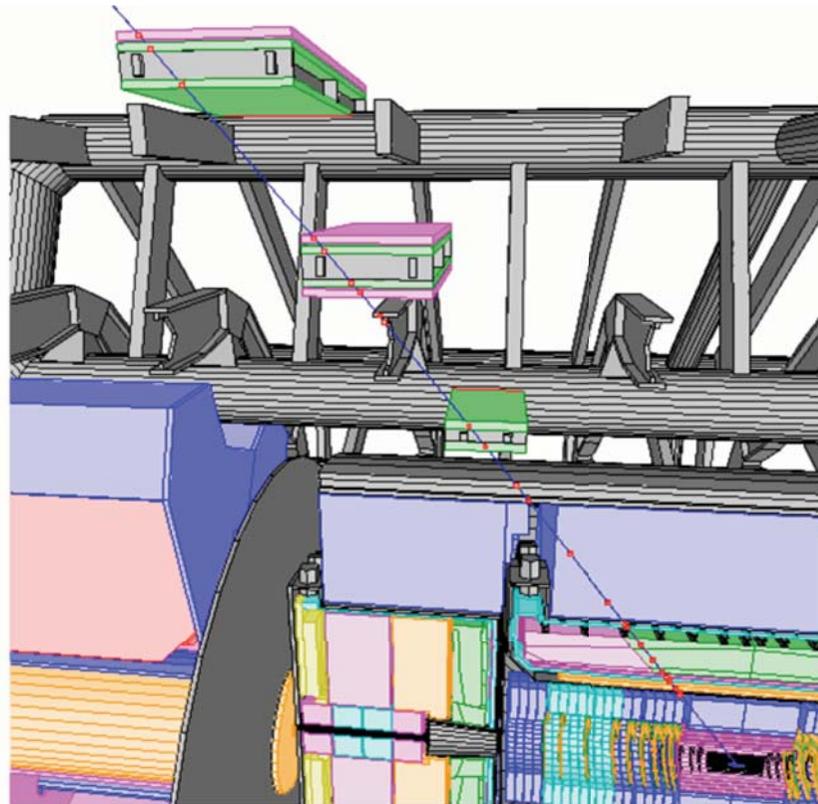
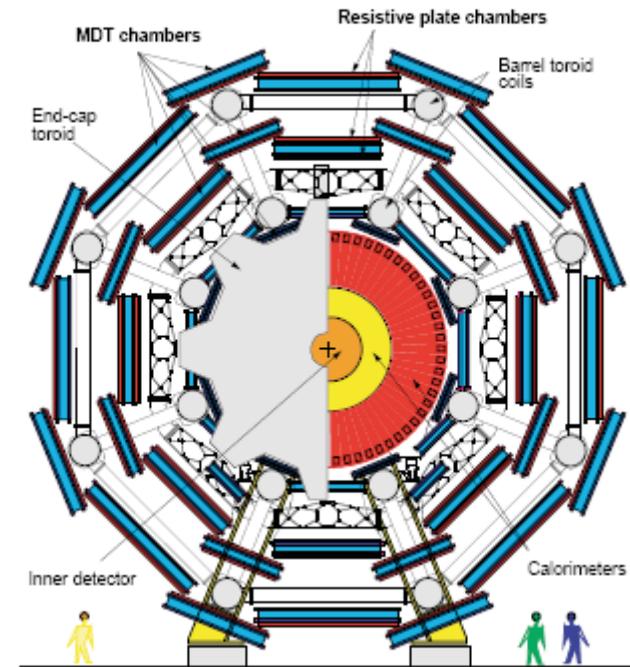
# Muon Spectrometer

## Barrel

- chambers arranged in 3 concentric cylindrical shells around beam axis at  $R = 5, 7.5, 10\text{m}$

## End-caps

- chambers arranged in wheels perpendicular to beam axis at  $|z| = 7.4, 10.8, 14, 21.5\text{m}$

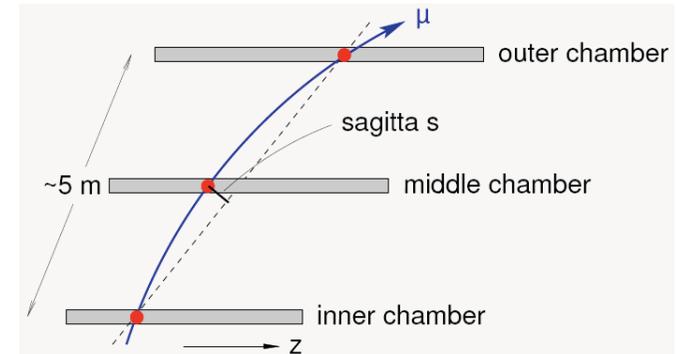


# Muon Spectrometer alignment

Design goal for muon reconstruction:  $\Delta p_t/p_t = 10\%$  for 1 TeV muons  
⇒ sagitta of  $500\mu\text{m}$  measured with  $50\mu\text{m}$  accuracy

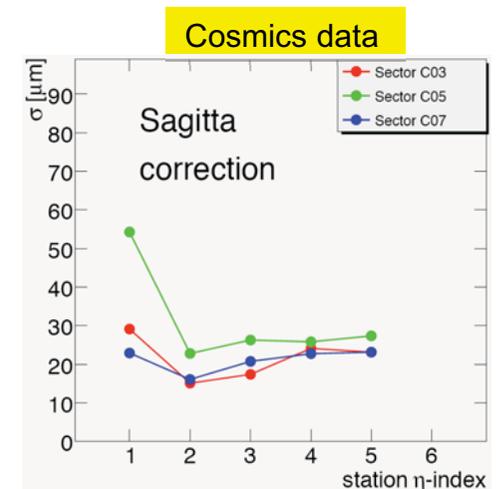
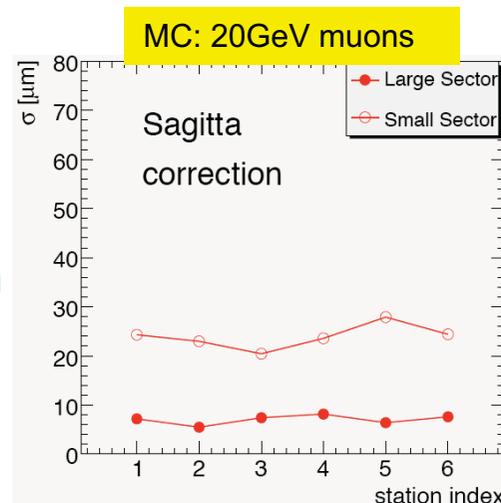
Single muon chamber spatial resolution is  $35\mu\text{m}$   
⇒ muon chambers aligned to  $30\mu\text{m}$  accuracy

Position of chambers monitored by **optical alignment system** consisting of  $\sim 12000$  sensors  
It can provide alignment up to  $\sim 200\mu\text{m}$

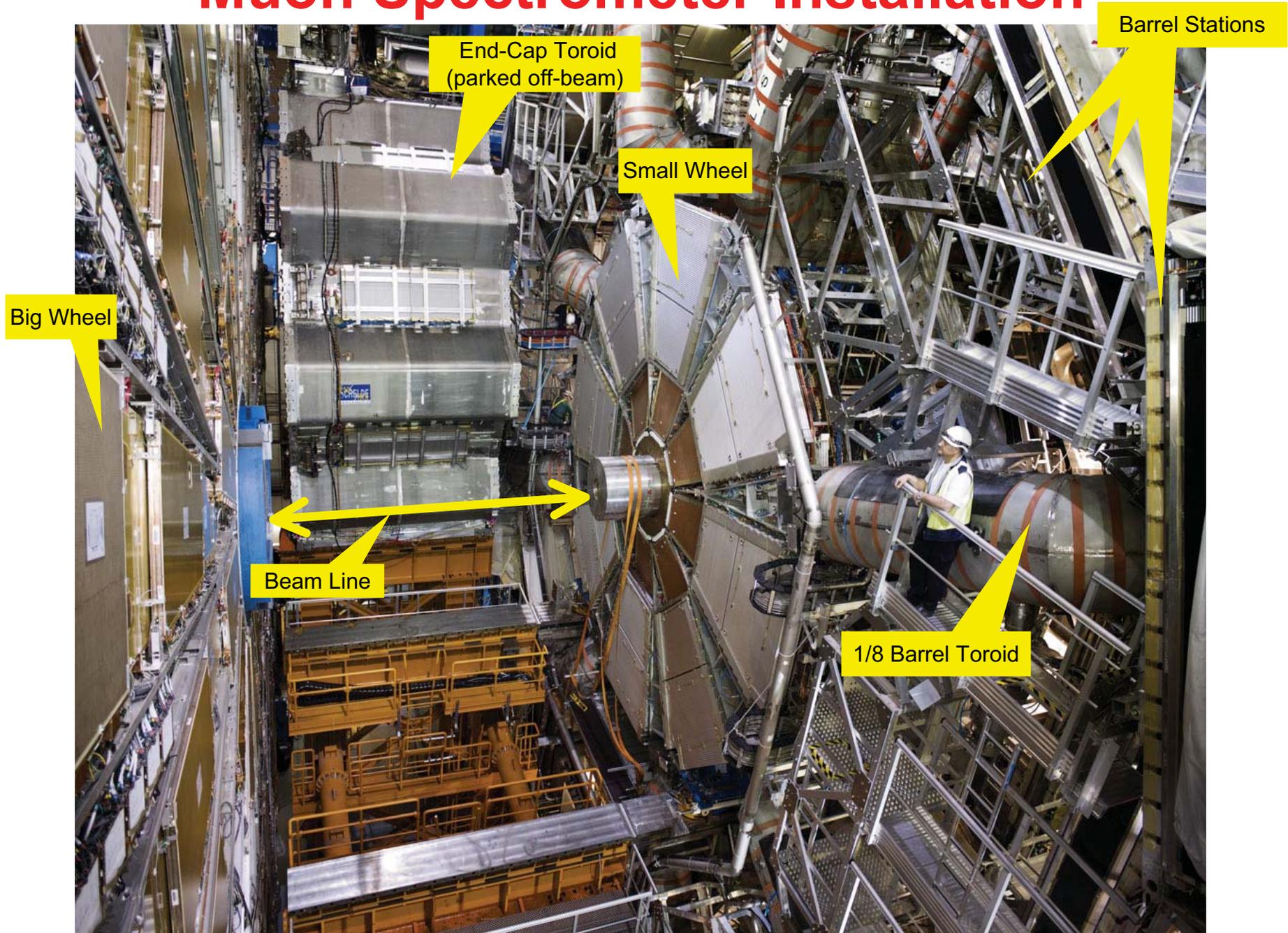


**Track-based alignment** needed to obtain initial alignment constants  
then optical alignment system can trace chamber movements  
with required precision (relative alignment)

Performance of the alignment algorithm tested with MC and cosmics data  
**Desired  $30\mu\text{m}$  accuracy achievable with 100k tracks per sector**



# Muon Spectrometer Installation



# Muon System status

## CSC

- **99.5%** of channel are ready
- rate limitation in read-out being worked on

## MDT

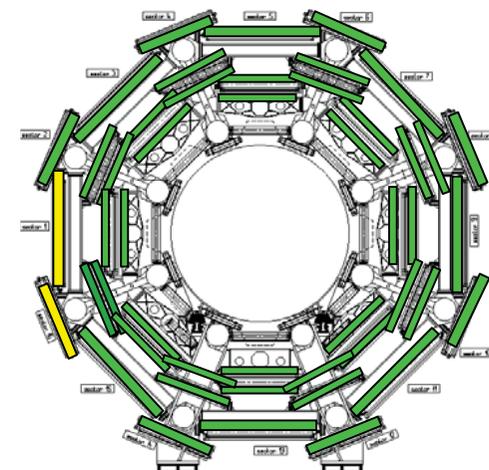
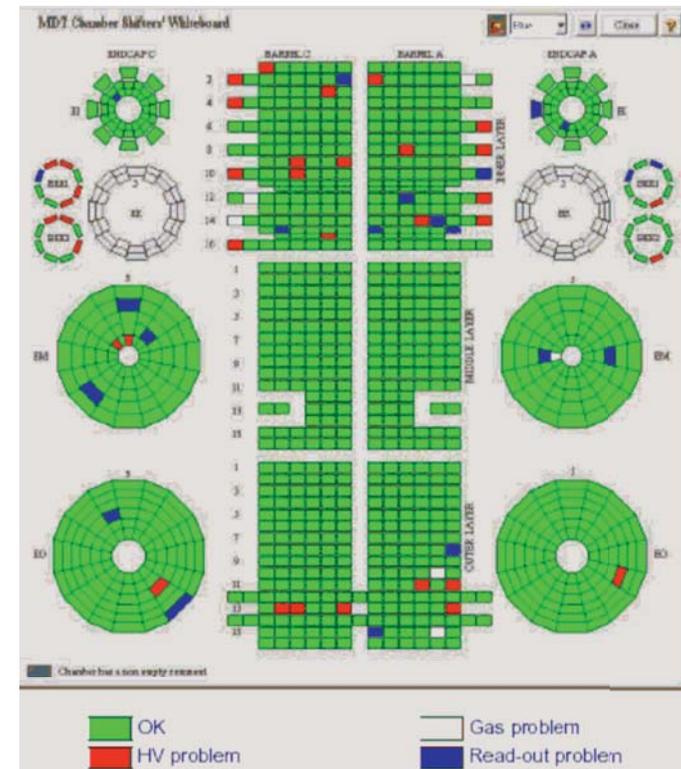
- **98.5%** of channels ready
- alignment lines working in 99.7% in barrel and 99% in end-caps

## RPC

- trigger coverage operational at **94%**
- 2 sectors with external plane off because of missing CAEN boards (now available)
- tuning of trigger timing in progress

## TGC

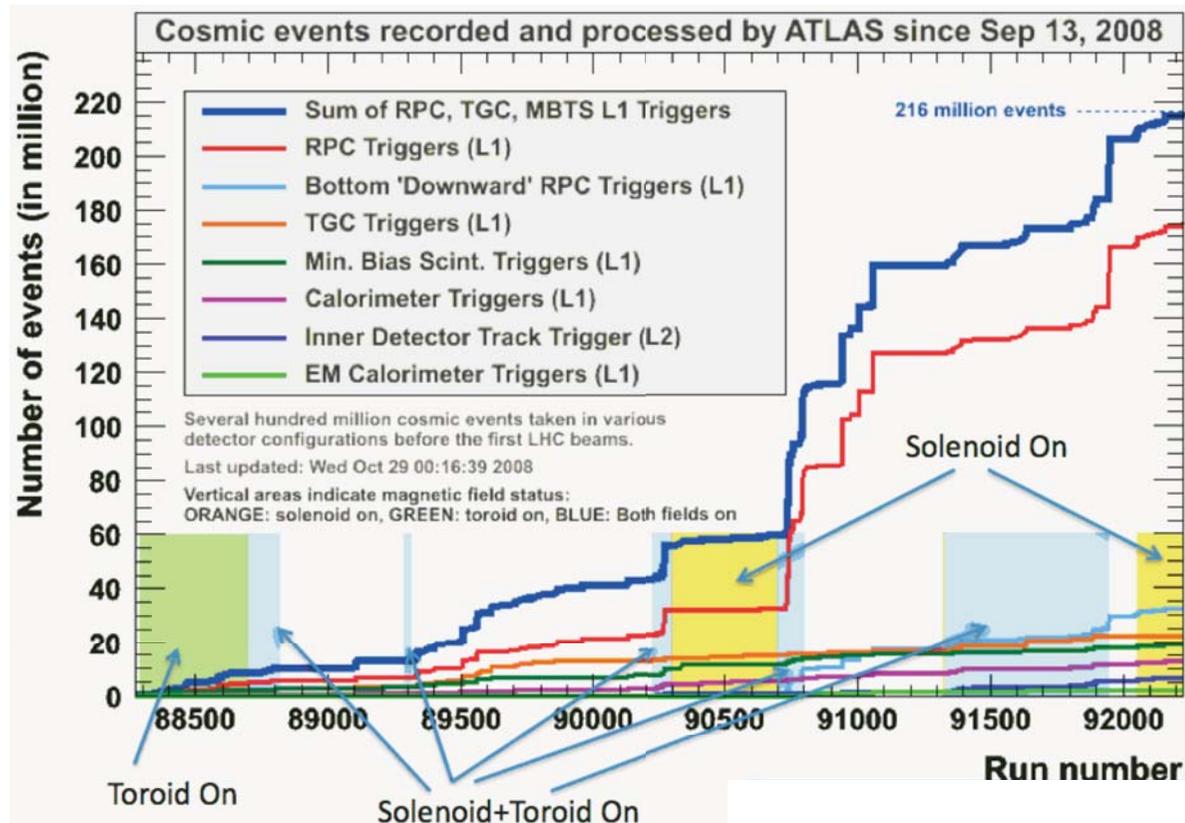
- **99.8%** of chambers ready for operation
- no deterioration on trigger performances thanks to majority logic
- 3 chambers damaged by over-pressure accident under replacement



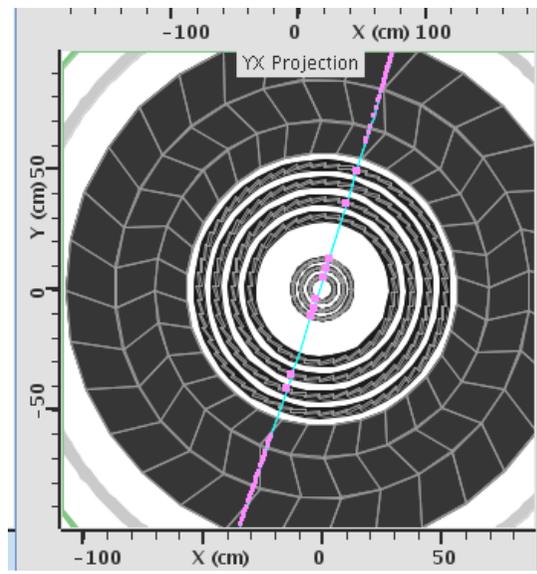
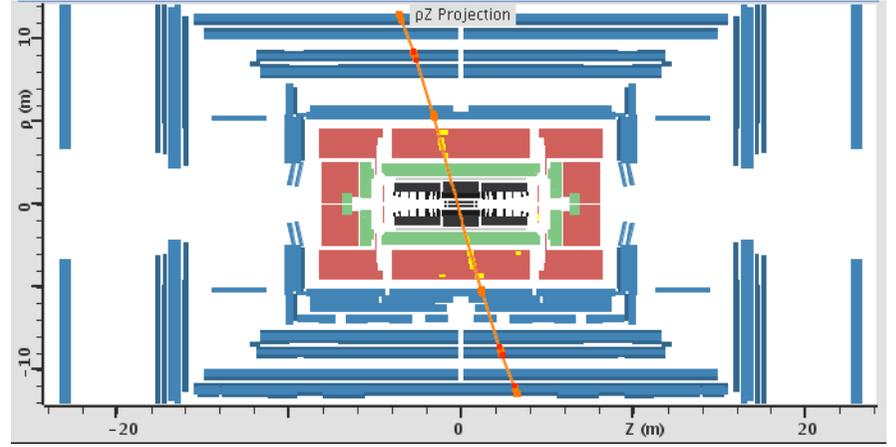
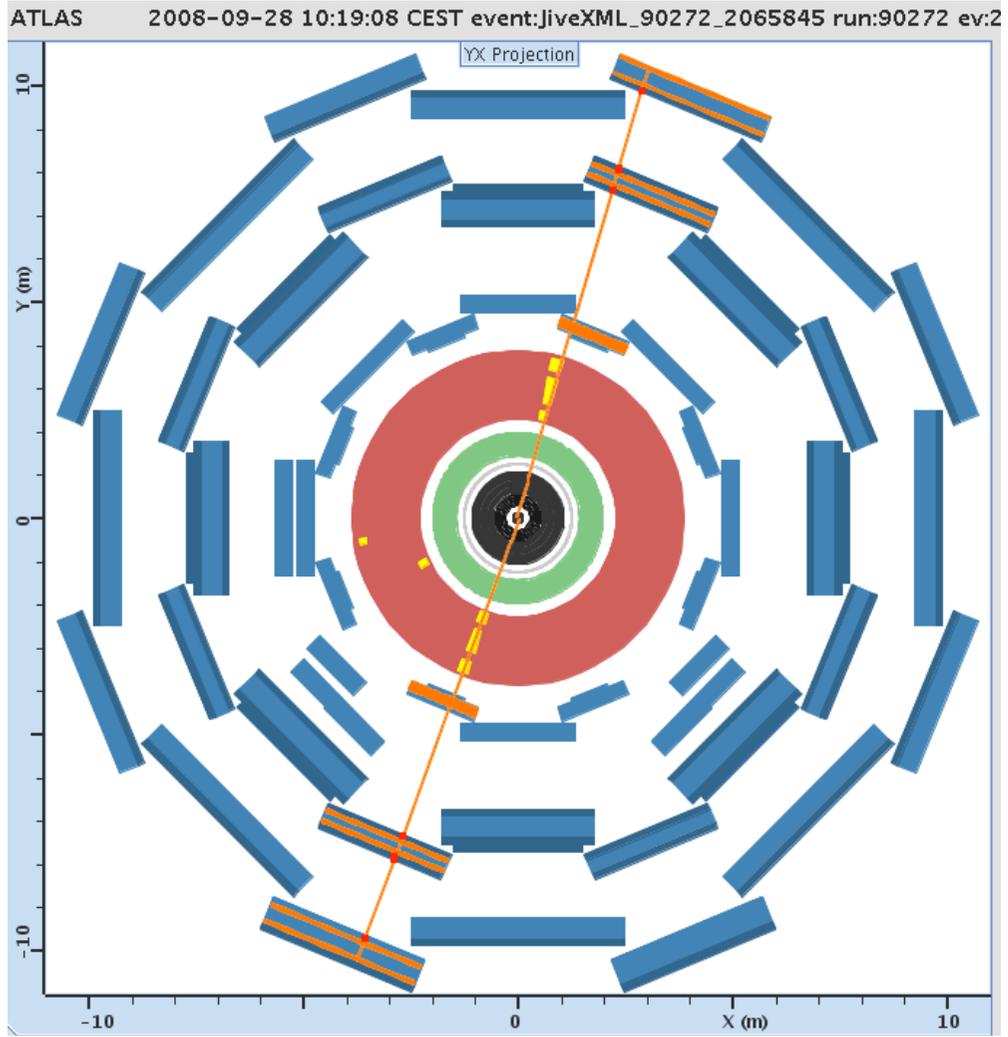
# Running with cosmics

Main trigger from L1Muon barrel region (RPC), rate  $\sim 100\text{Hz}$

L2 trigger with tracking algorithm used to increase the fraction of events with ID tracks

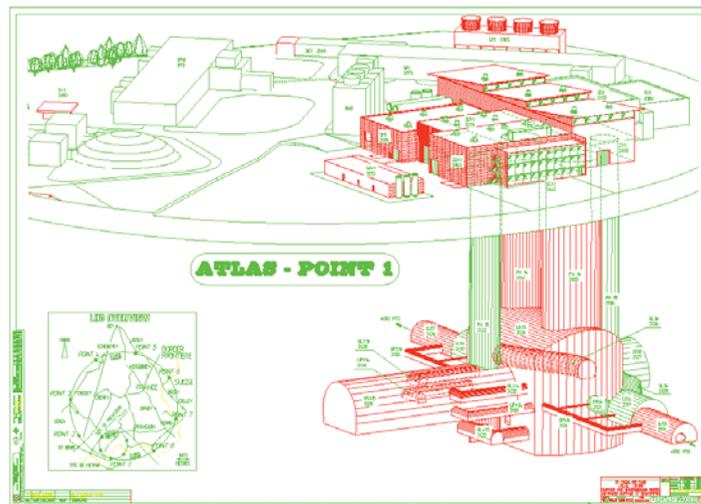
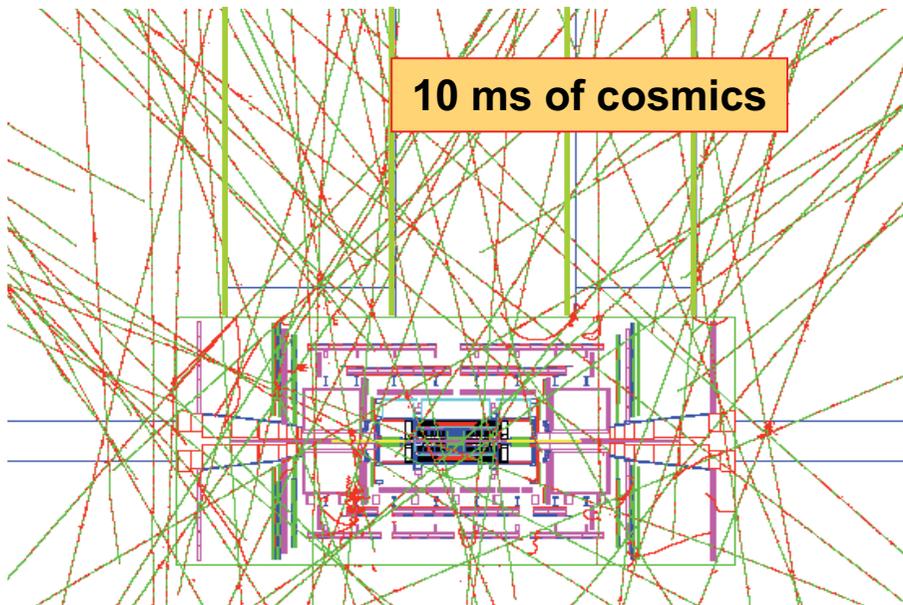


# Cosmic event in ATLAS



# Cosmic events in the muon system

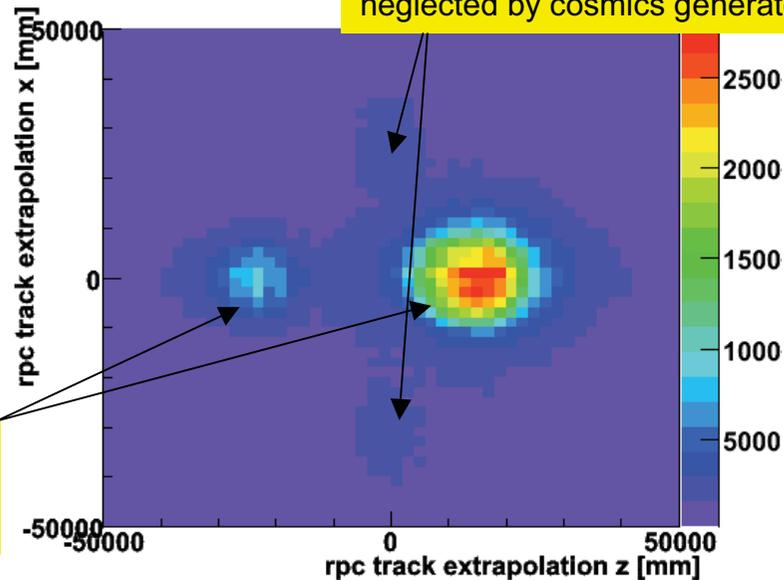
Simulated cosmic flux  
in the ATLAS cavern



Muon impact points extrapolated  
to surface as measured by  
Muon Trigger chambers (RPC)

rpczxSurfaceView

ATLAS elevators:  
neglected by cosmics generator

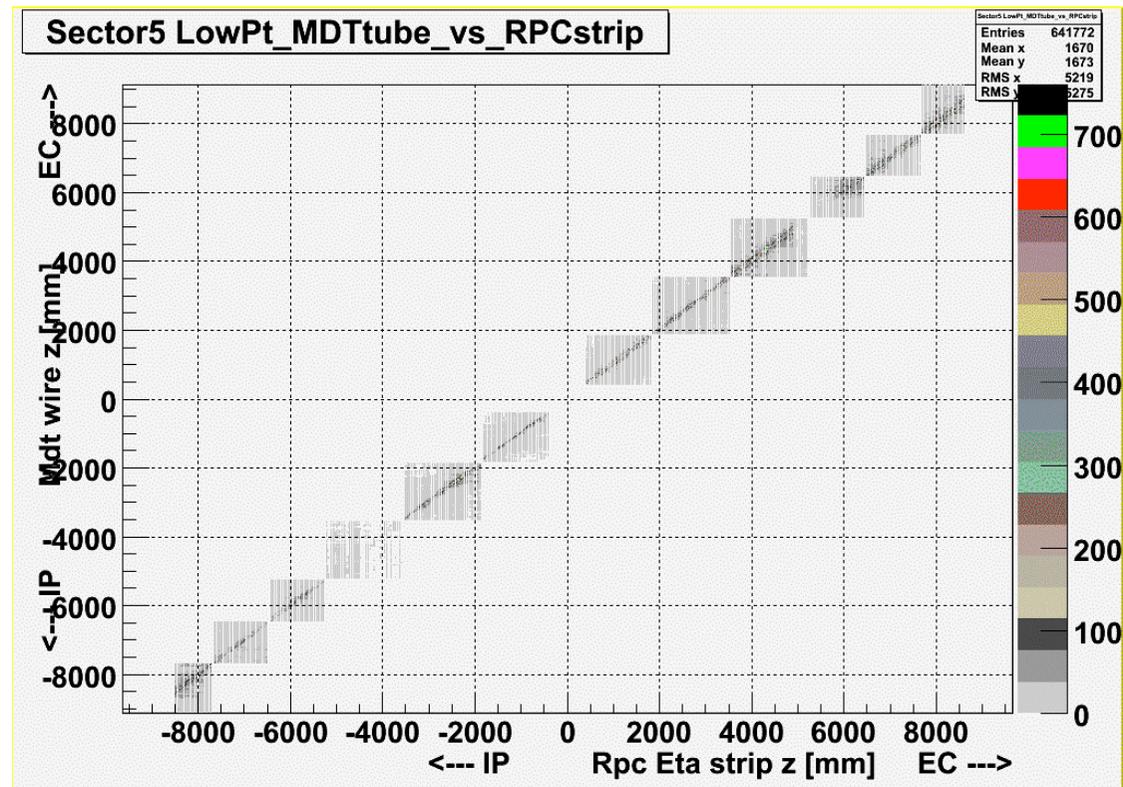


ATLAS shafts  
main arrival  
for muons

# Correlations with cosmics

Correlation of **MDT** wire z position  
with **RPC**  $\eta$  strip

Each square corresponds to a station  
surface filled by accidental hits

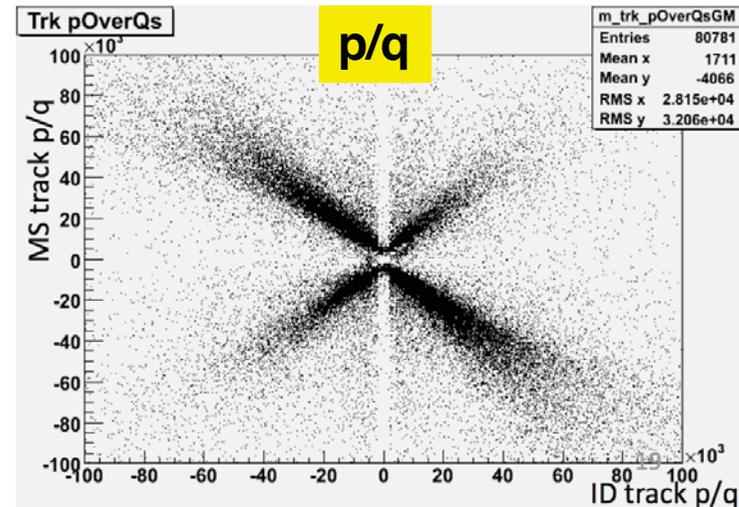
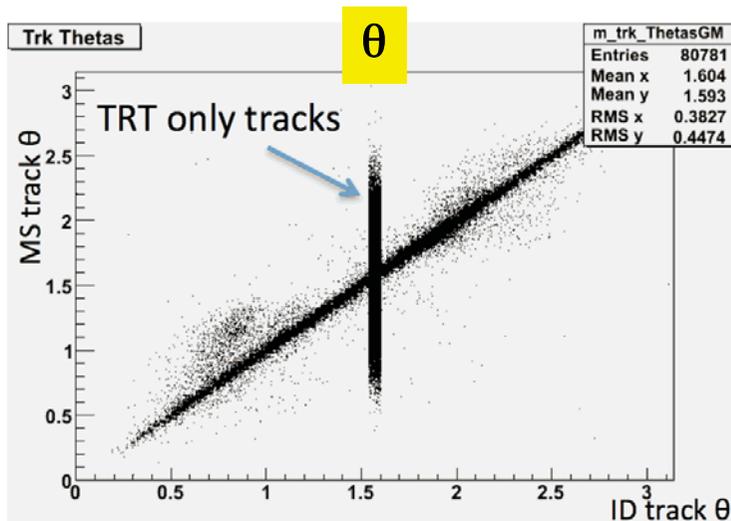
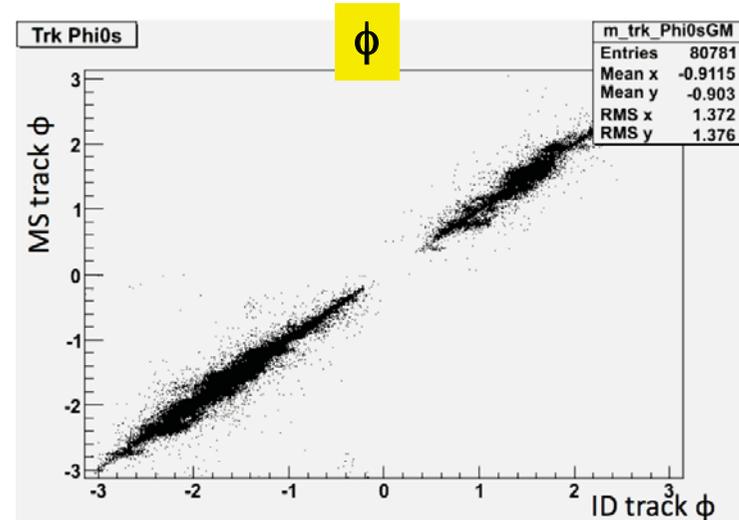


# Correlations with cosmics

Comparison of track parameters between **Muon Spectrometer** and **Inner Detector**

Plots automatically produced at online and Tier-0 monitoring

Good correlation between systems



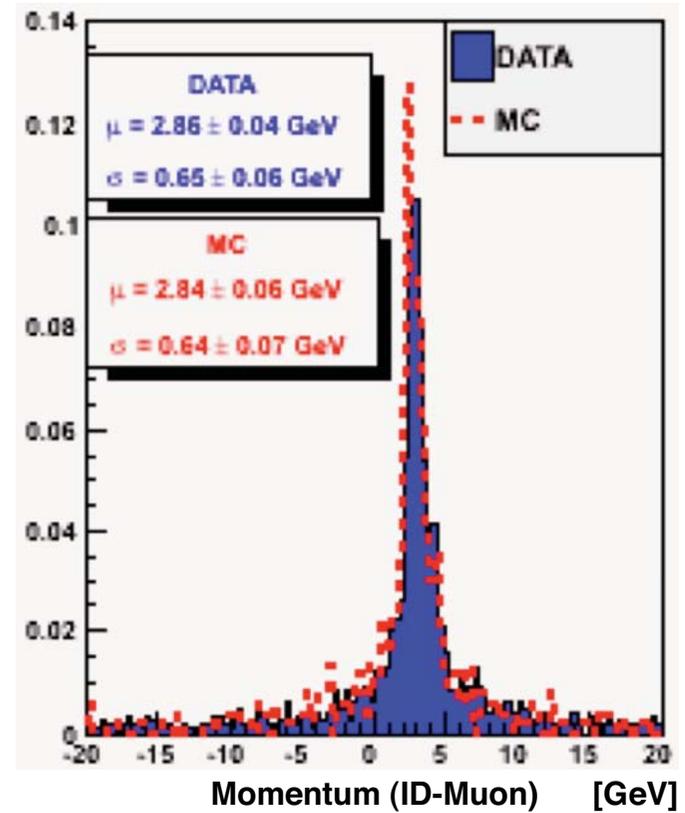
wrong charge assigned to downward tracks in upper side of detector

# Correlations with cosmics

Difference in track momentum as measured by **Inner Detector** and **Muon Spectrometer**

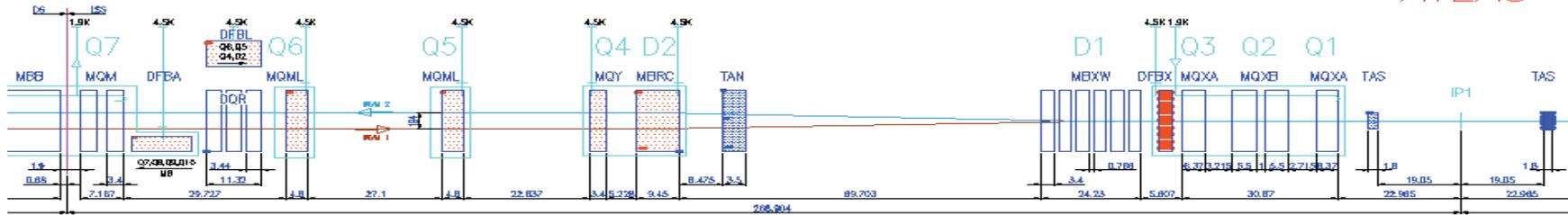
Both data and simulation are shown

**~3GeV energy loss in calorimeters visible**

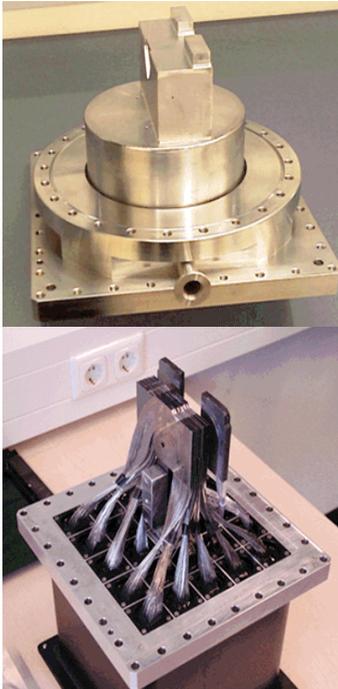


# Forward Detectors

ATLAS



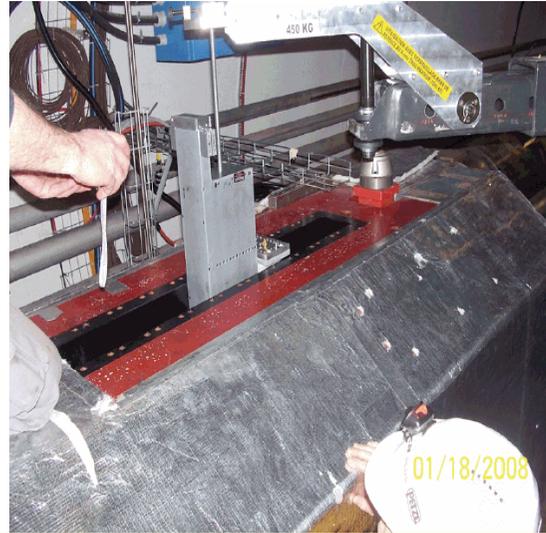
ALFA at 240 m



Absolute Luminosity for ATLAS

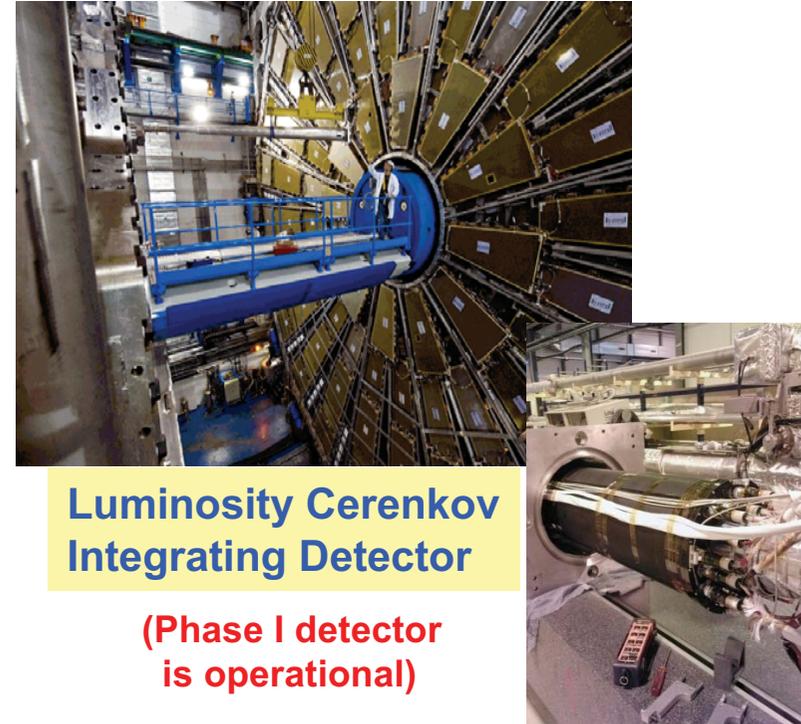
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ZDC at 140 m



Zero Degree Calorimeter

LUCID at 17 m



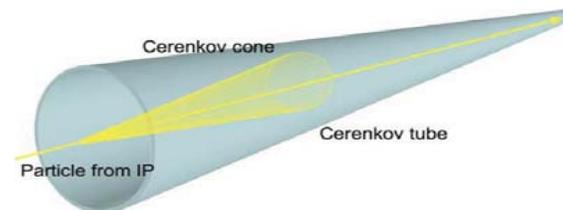
Luminosity Cerenkov Integrating Detector

(Phase I detector is operational)

# Forward Detectors

## LUCID

- detect inelastic p-p collisions (number of particles in detector prop. to number of collisions)
- relative luminosity monitor
- consisting of an array of 2x20 Cerenkov cones
- goal is  $\sigma(\mathcal{L})/\mathcal{L} < 5\%$  (once calibrated with ALFA)
- only partially readout (phase I detector)



## ALFA detectors

- absolute luminosity measurement via elastic Coulomb scattering (elastic scattering amplitude in forward direction connected via the optical theorem to the total cross section)
- consisting of 2x2 stations equipped with scintillating-fibre tracker
- special runs will be used to calibrate LUCID
- installation starting in 2009

## Zero Degree Calorimeters

- detect forward neutrons  $|\eta| > 8.3$  in heavy-ions collisions  
enhance acceptance of central detector for diffractive processes
- 2 x W/quartz calorimeter
- installed, working on readout

Internal proposal for **Forward Proton detectors** at 220m and 420m

# Trigger and Data Acquisition (TDAQ)

## Three-level structure adopted

### Level 1

- hardware implementation, synchronous at 40MHz
- reduced granularity from Calo and Muons
- select **Region of Interest (RoI)**
- max rate  $\sim 100\text{kHz}$
- $2.5\ \mu\text{s}$  latency

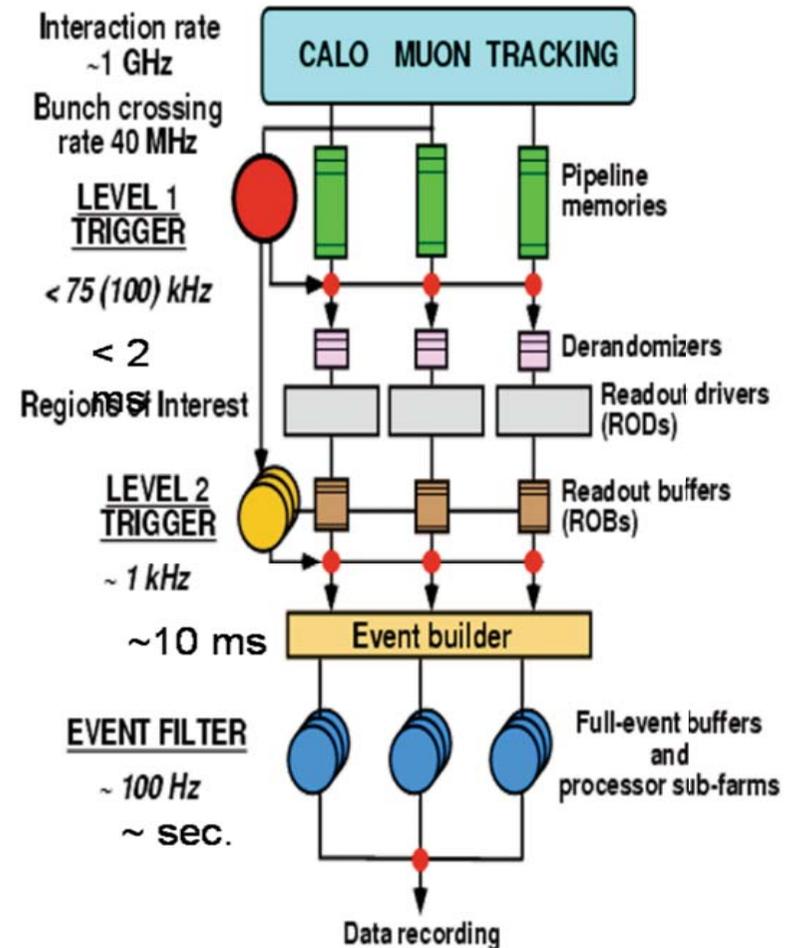
### Level 2

- software implementation
- full detector granularity limited to RoI
- max rate  $\sim 1\text{kHz}$
- 10 ms latency

High Level Trigger  
(HLT)

### Event Filter

- software
- full detector information available
- max rate  $\sim 100\text{Hz}$
- latency 1-2 s



**Event size  $\sim 1\text{MByte}$**

# TDAQ status

## LVL1

System fully installed

Rate test successful up to nominal value of 100kHz  
(with random trigger)

Timing of the experiment in progress

## HLT

### Current configuration:

- 850 PCs in 27 racks (XPU type, i.e. connectable to L2 or EF)
- can run up to 60kHz L1 rate

### Final configuration:

- 17 L2 + 62 EF racks (28 XPU racks)
  - ~500 PCs for L2 + ~1800 PCs for EF
- (PC -> CPU: 2 x Intel Harpertown quad-core 2.5 GHz - RAM: 2GB/core)

Finalization of the system will be luminosity driven



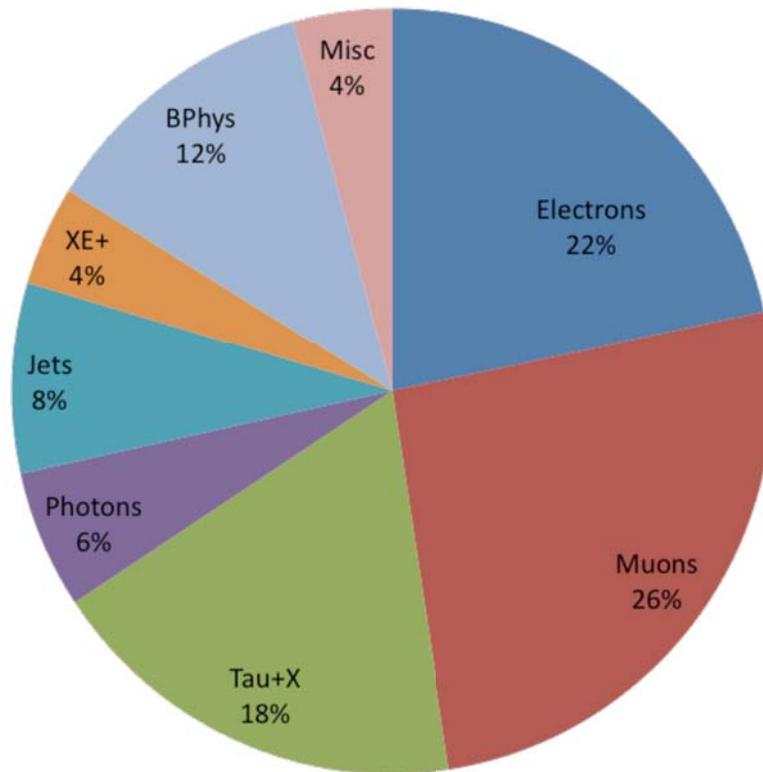
LVL1 racks



HLT farm

# Sharing of Event Filter Bandwidth

EF output rate  $10^{31}$   
(Total Rate 310 Hz)

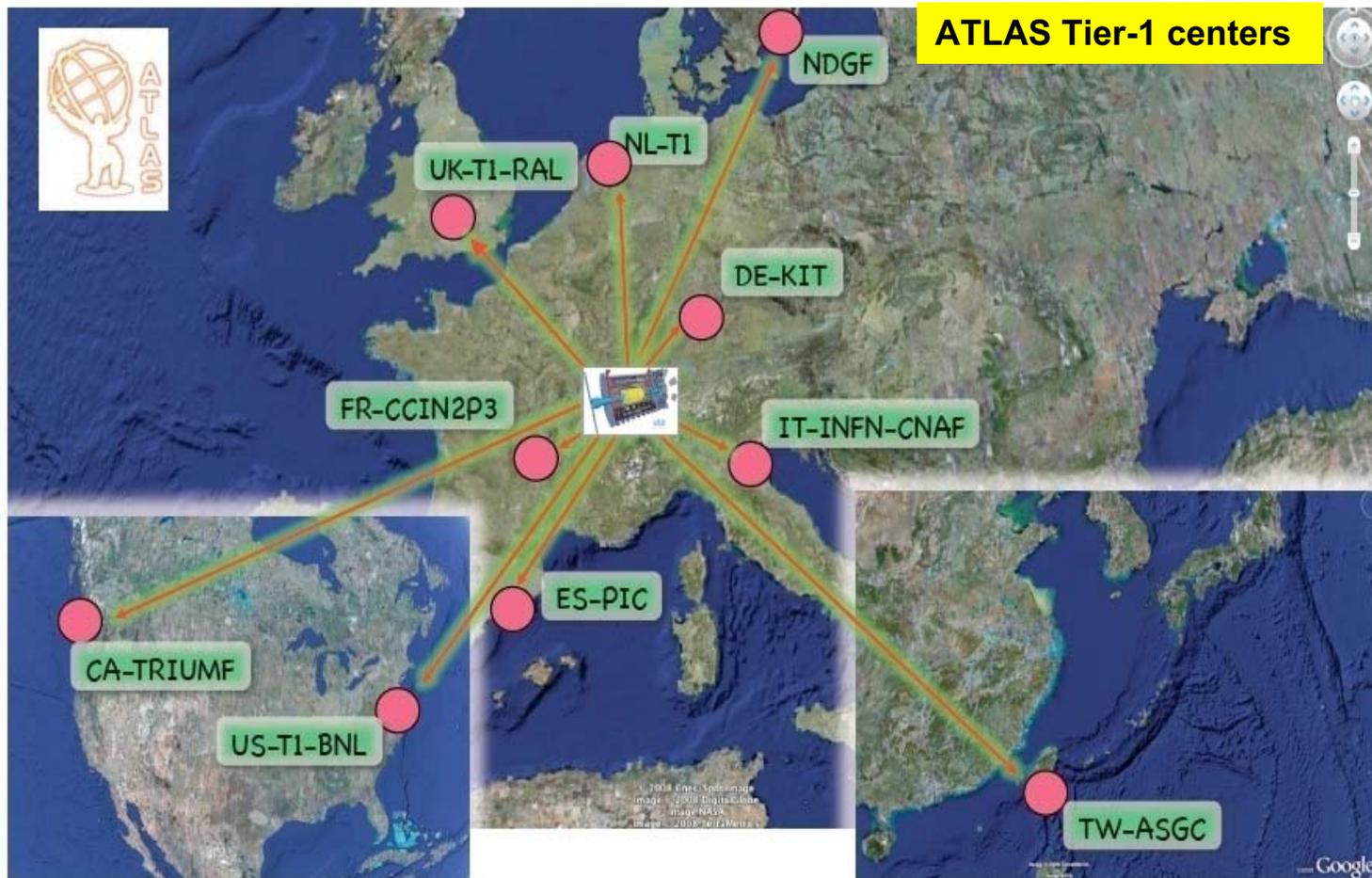


Trigger Group	Rate (Hz)
Muons	80
Electrons	67
Tau+X	56
BPhys	37
Jets	25
Photons	18
XE+	13
Misc	13
TOTAL	310

# Offline Computing

Distributed computing power:

Tier-0 at CERN  $\Rightarrow$  10 Tier-1  $\Rightarrow$  ~35 Tier-2 (in most participating countries)



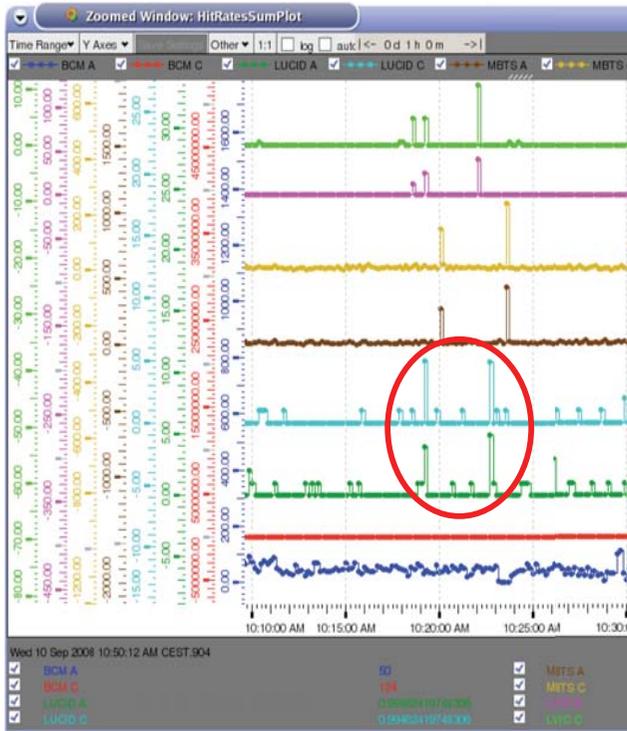
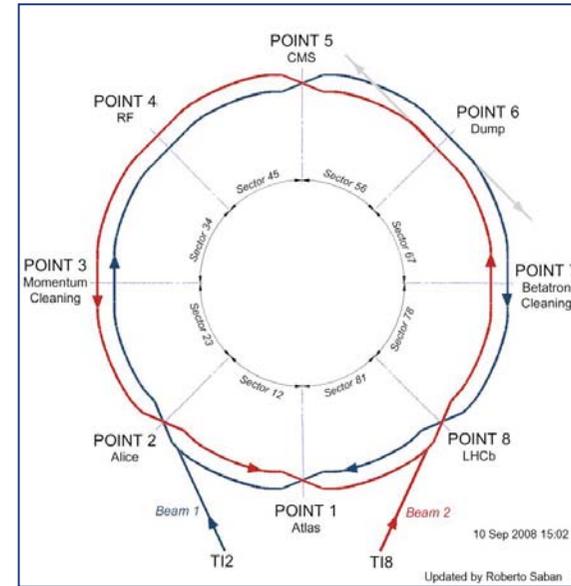
# Sep 10<sup>th</sup>: first beams in LHC

## LHC start-up

First beam circulated step-by-step through LHC sectors and finally through point-1

First hits seen in Lucid detector

With beam-2 (single-bunch injection every 42s) all splash events triggered

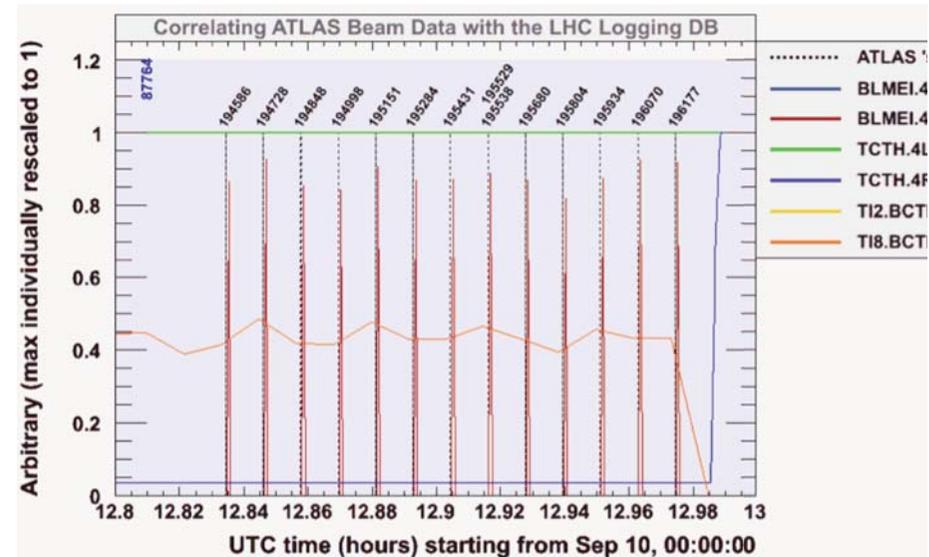


L1Calo

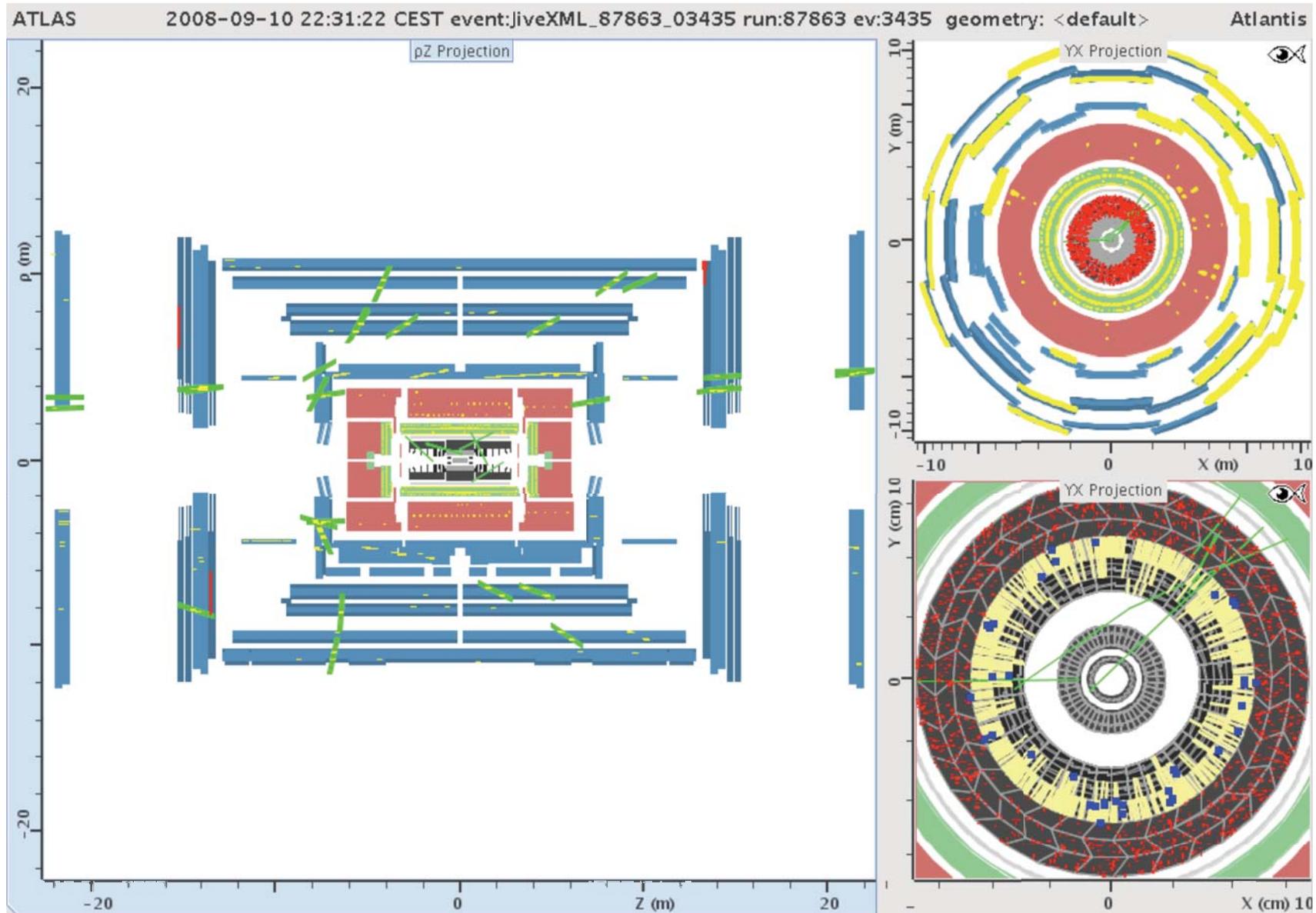
MBTS

LUCID

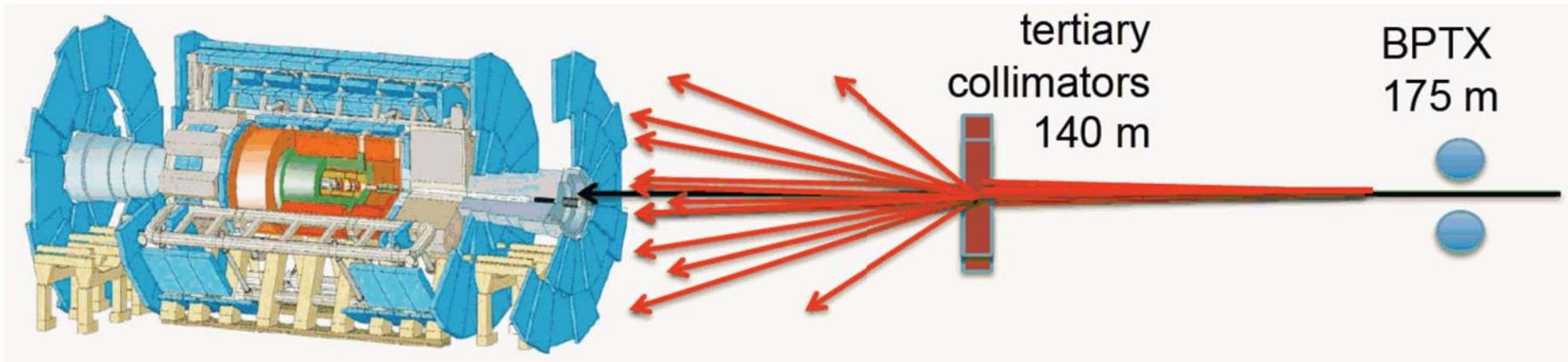
First hits  
in LUCID



# Beam-halo event with magnets on



# Beam-splash events in ATLAS

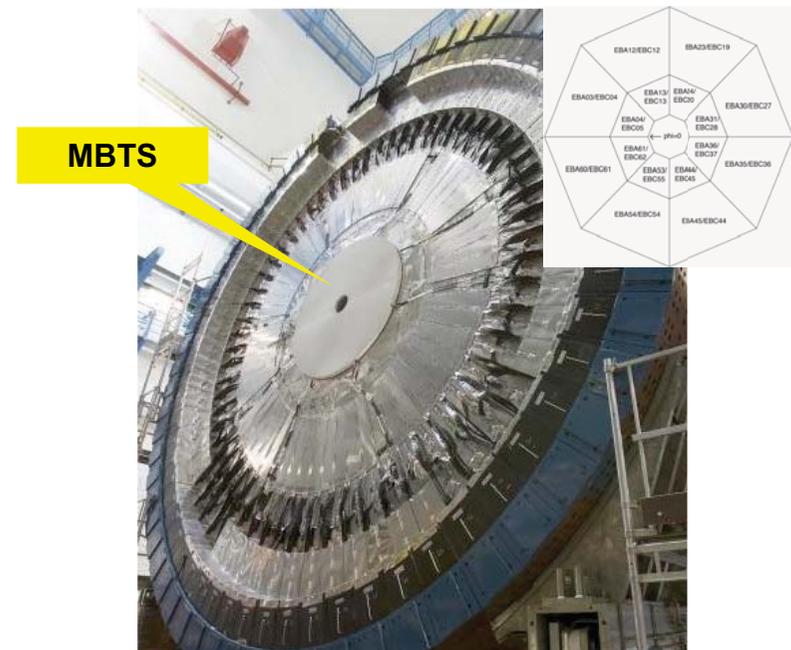


## Trigger

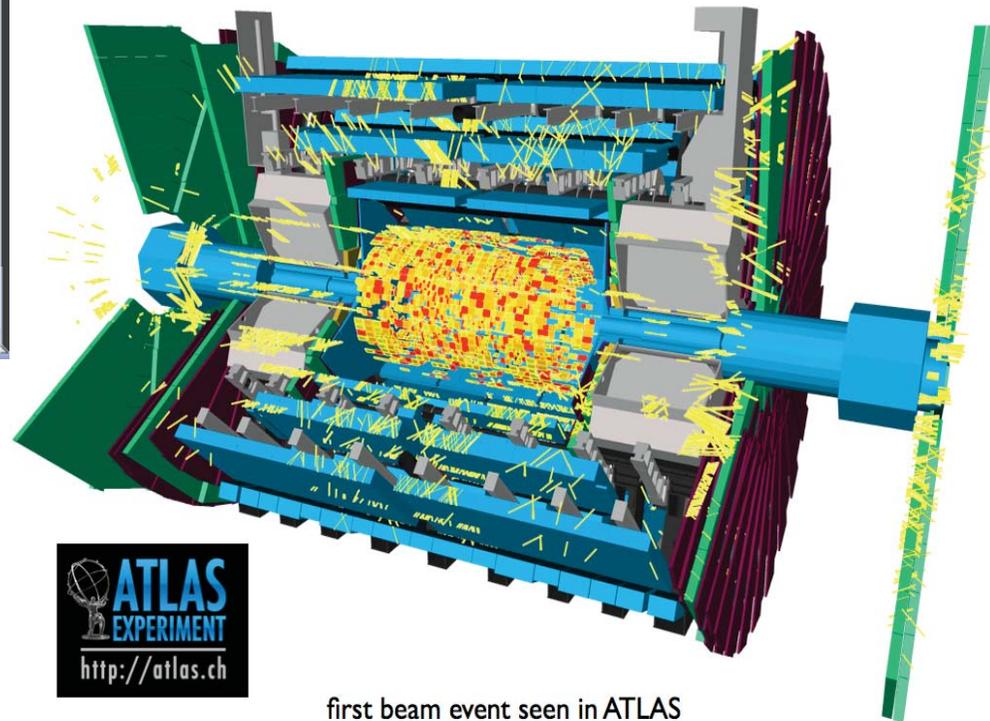
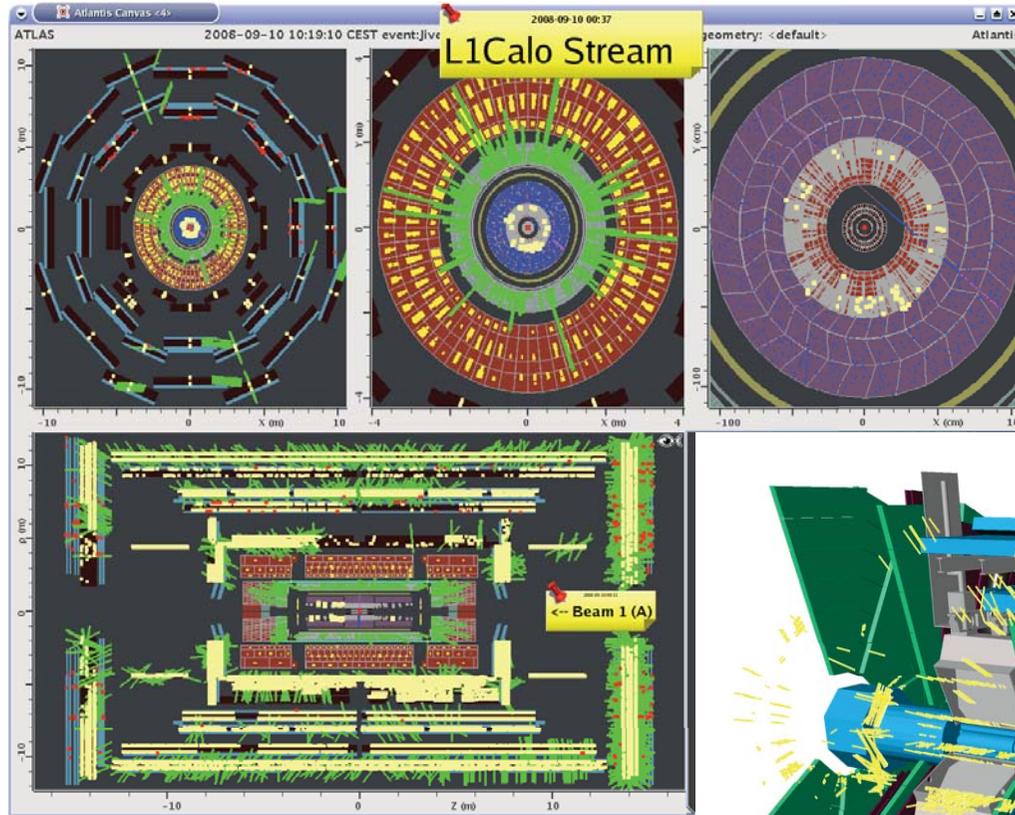
Provided by

- Minimum Bias Trigger Scintillator (**MBTS**) placed at  $|z| < 3.5\text{m}$  with  $2.1 < |\eta| < 3.8$  and consisting of 2 rings x 8 scintillators with radius 14 to 43cm, 43 to 88cm
- Beam Pick-up (**BPTX**), electrostatic pick-up

Useful for tuning the timing of LVL1 detectors (L1Calo, L1Muons)



# Beam-splash event in ATLAS



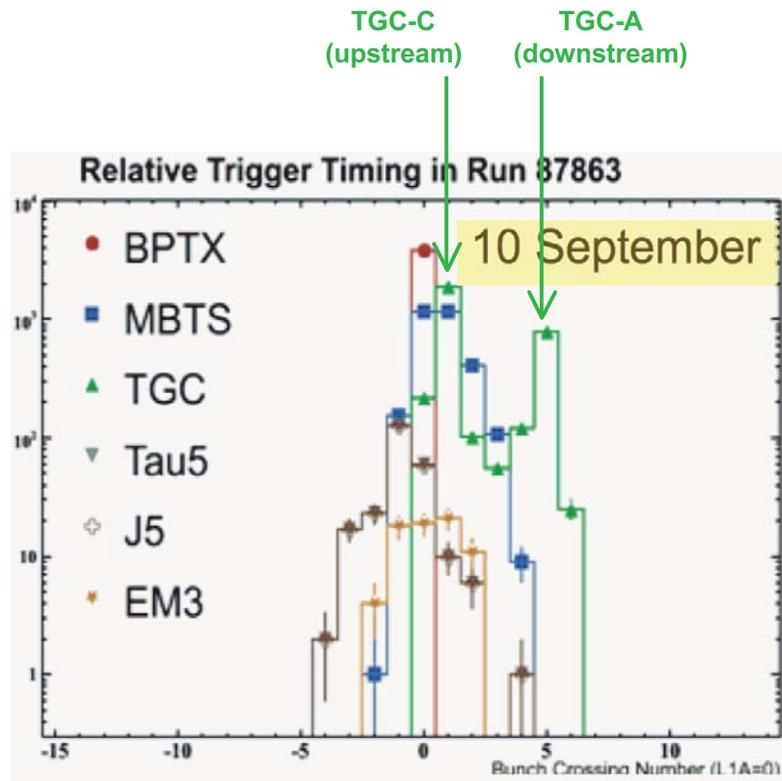
first beam event seen in ATLAS

# Trigger timing with beams

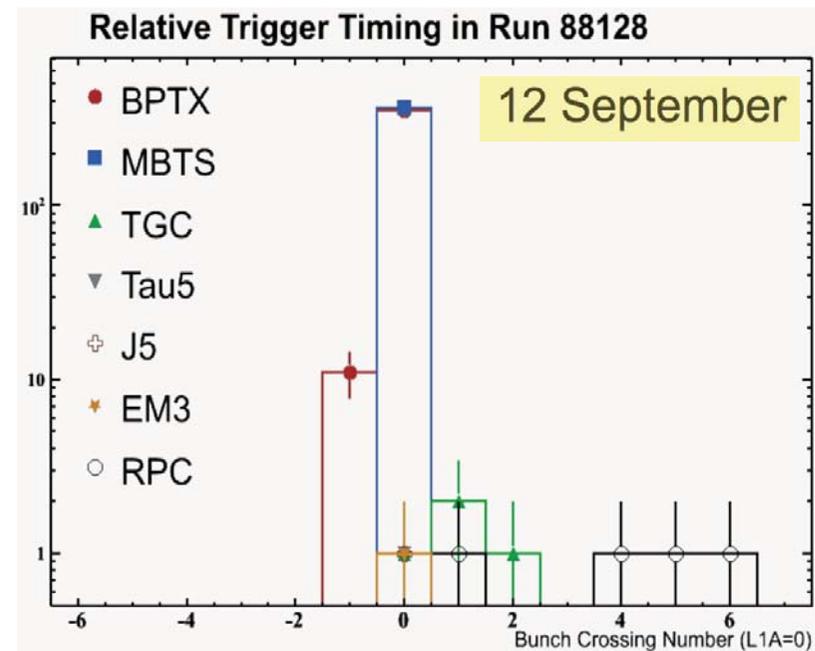
Beam Pick-up (BPTX) trigger as timing reference

4BC difference between TGC-sideA and TGC-sideC trigger as due to time-of-flight as expected

Time alignment quickly progressing



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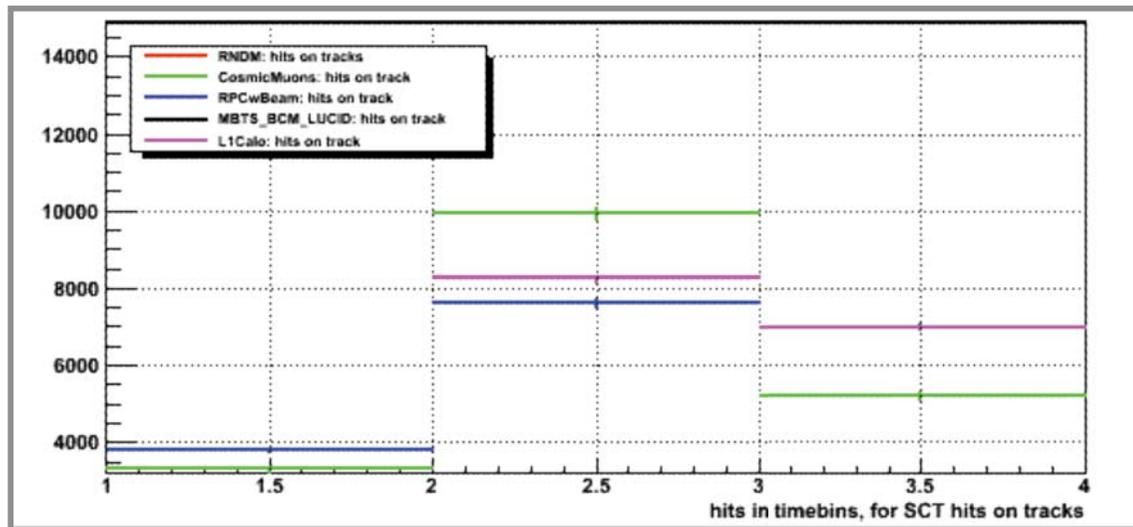
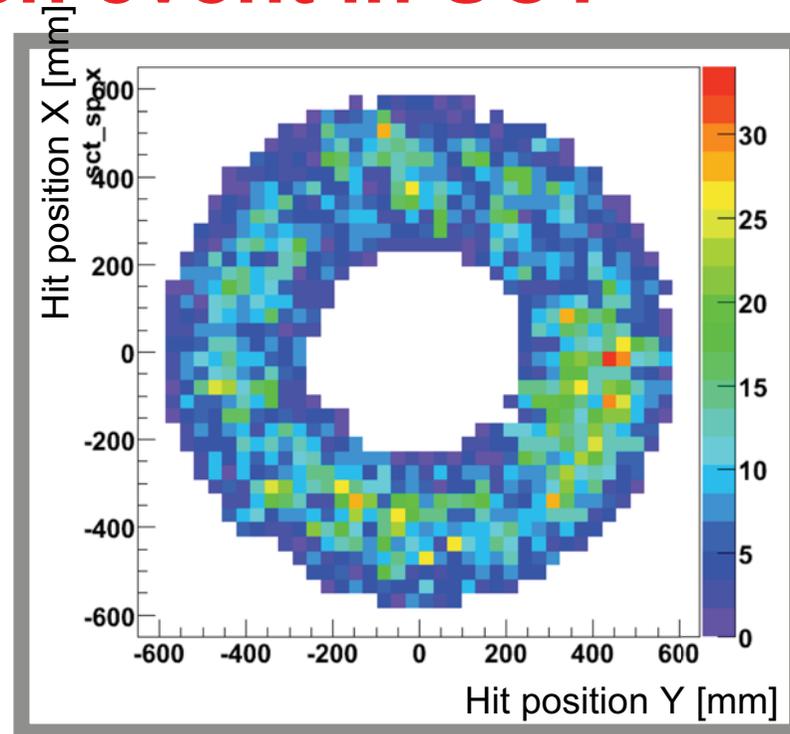


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# Beam-splash event in SCT

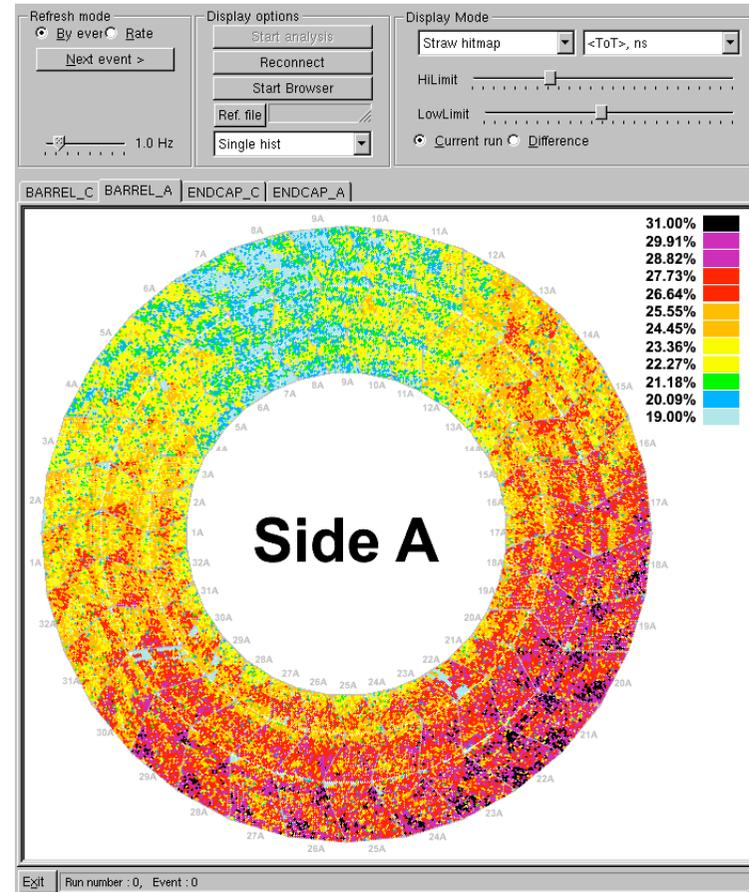
XY distribution of SCT space points for one beam-splash event



SCT endcaps timed in to ~1BC with first beam-splash events

# Beam-splash event in TRT

- Time distribution of hits in a single splash event
- High number of tracks/event permits time alignment with a single event!
- Time-of-flight effect wrt timing with cosmics clearly visible



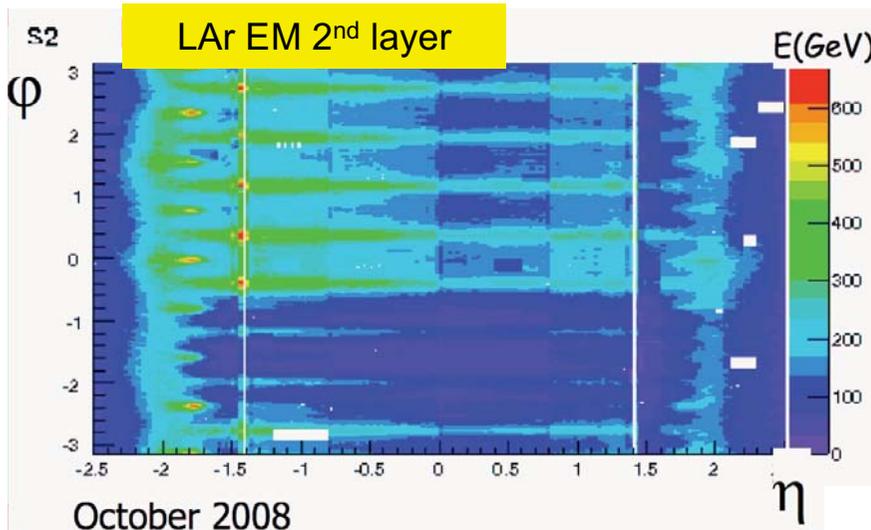
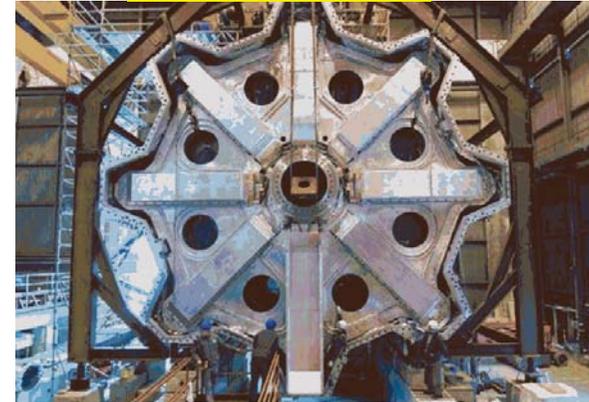
# Beam-splash event in Calorimeters

Flow of particles (muons, pions) through the calorimeters with beam 2 (coming from C-side)

Structure observed due to end-cap toroid and forward shielding

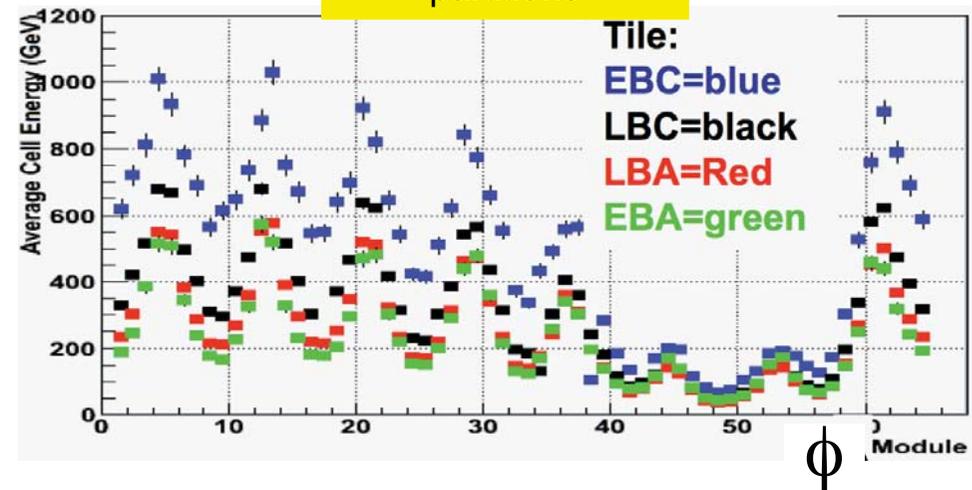
Attenuation of pion flux from C- to A-side

End-cap toroid



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Tile calorimeter partitions



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# ATLAS 2009 planning

- ❑ **Detector** is currently **open** for maintenance works
  - recover dead/problematic channels in all sub-systems
  - ID cooling system will be improved to increase reliability
  - TGC damaged chambers in Small Wheel to be replaced
  
- ❑ **Detector closure** planned for end of April 2009
  
- ❑ **Full detector running again** since May 2009  
Start data taking with cosmics:
  - combined running for sub-system debugging
  - global commissioning and calibrations
  
- ❑ **ATLAS ready for data taking** in June 2009
  
- ❑ **Almost continuous running** from July until beam operation will restart

# Summary

- ❑ The ATLAS detector showed a good status in all its sub-systems
- ❑ All sub-detectors participated to cosmics and to first beam runs
- ❑ **The ATLAS detector was ready to take data with first beams**
- ❑ Analyses of both cosmics and beam data are still on-going
- ❑ Calibrations will resume next year with cosmics
- ❑ After the winter shutdown the ATLAS detector will be ready for taking data with improved performances
- ❑ Looking forward to have collisions (some tuning possible only with colliding beams)