Status of The Large Hadron Collider Project

- from visions to reality
- successes (until Sept 19, 2008)
- · the "incident" (Sept. 19, 2008)
- implications & repair
- current status and actual time plan
- plans for early LHC running

The Large Hadron Collider

Visions (1980's)

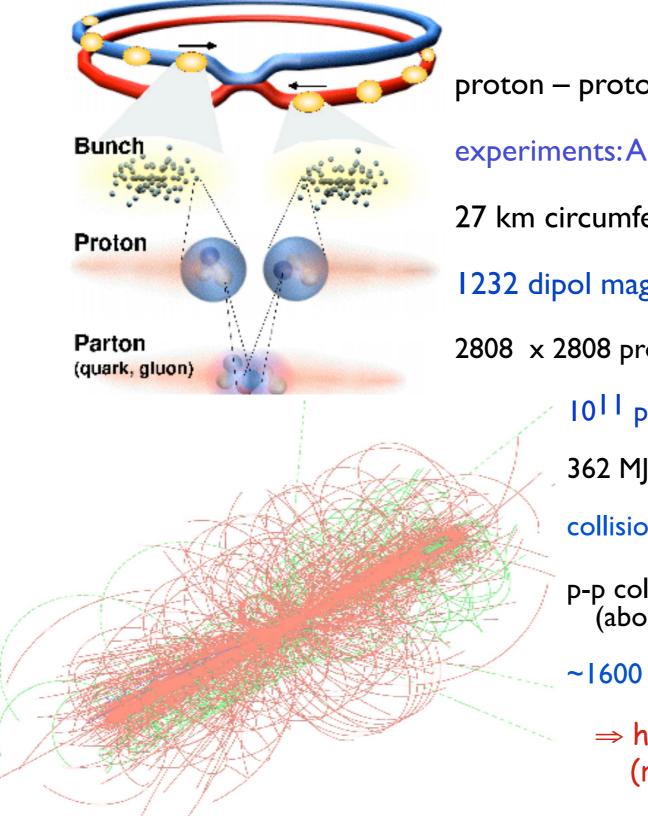
 Build a particle accelerator with the highest technically achievable energies, aiming at:

- testing the Standard Model at energies beyond 1 TeV
- finding the missing pieces of the SM: the top-quark ...
- exploring the mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking (i.e., find the Higgs Boson)

 searching for new physics beyond the Standard Model (SUperSYmmetry; large extra dimensions; ...)

• finding the unexpected Status of the LHC S. Bethke

the Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



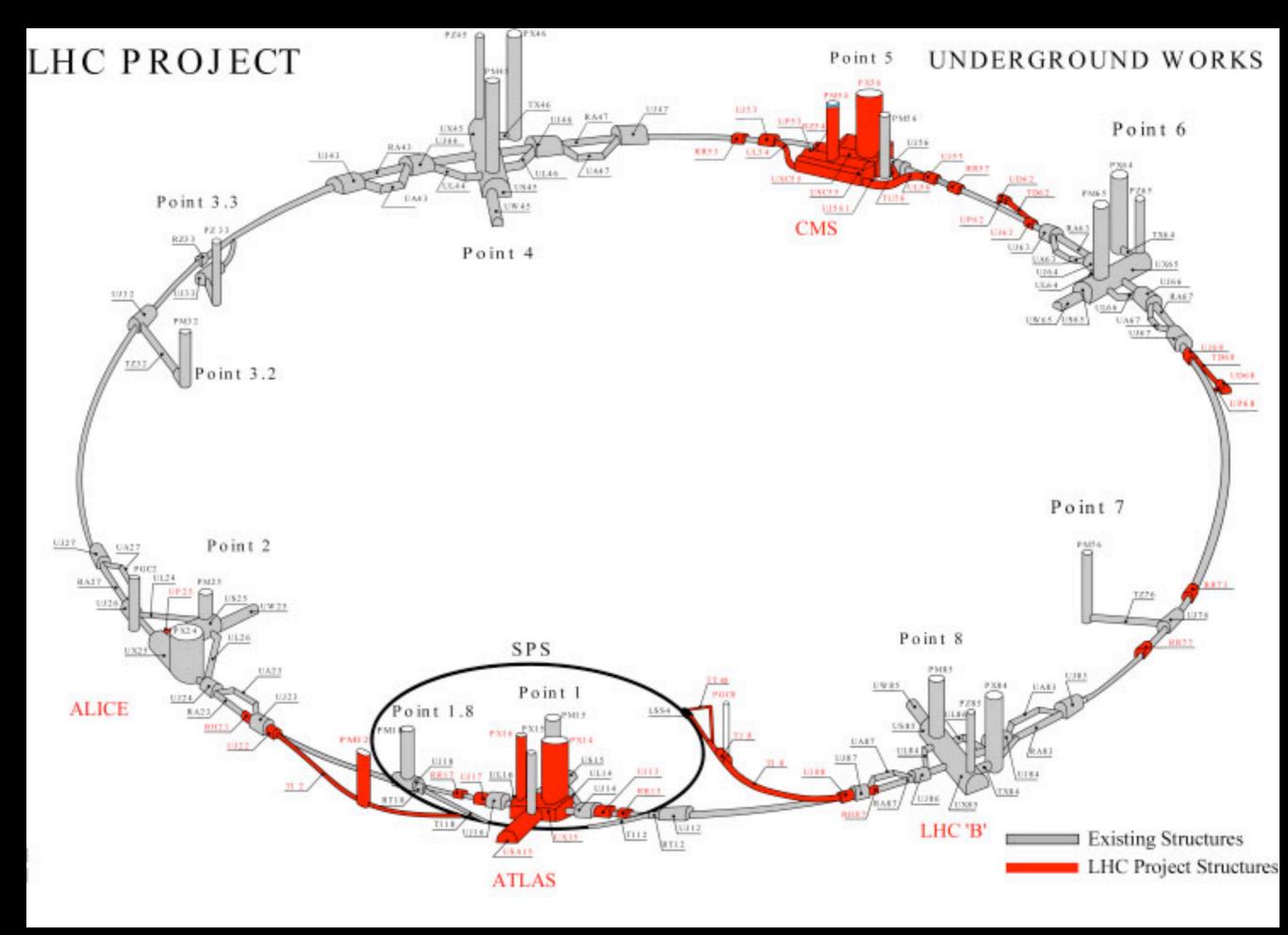
proton – proton collisons: $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}, L = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ experiments: ALICE, ATLAS, CMS, LHCb, TOTEM, LHCf 27 km circumference (LEP tunnel) 1232 dipol magnets (15m, 35 tons, 8.33T@ 1.9K) 2808 x 2808 proton bunches, 7.5m distance (25 ns) 1011 protons / bunch 362 MJ kin. energy per beam (100 tons @ 200 km/h) collision rate: 40 MHz p-p collisions @ 10^{34} cm⁻²s⁻¹: ~ 10^9 / sec (about 25 collisions per beam crossing)

- ~1600 charged particles in detector
 - ⇒ high demands on detectors (radiation; resolution)

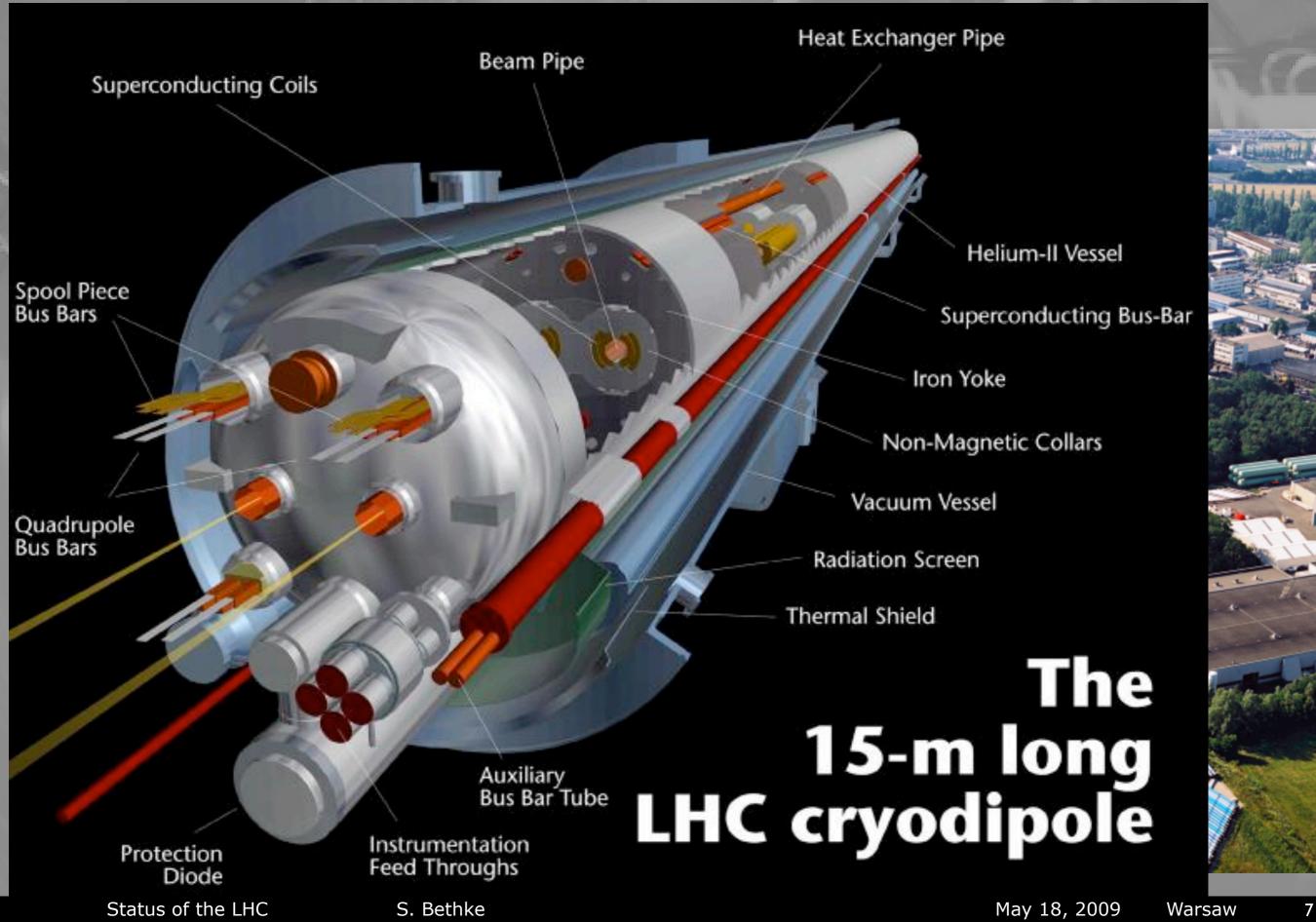
The LHC Project - from visions to reality:

- ~1981: first ideas; basic design of machine
- 1984: ECFA meeting at Lausanne ("Start of LHC")
 - 1990: Aachen workshop: physics, detectors, machine C. Rubbia: - LHC in competition to SSC, but cheaper and earlier (~1998)! - factor 10 in luminosity is worth factor 2 in energy (LHC: $\int s = 16$ TeV SSC: $\int s = 40$ TeV)
- 1992: Letters of intent for LHC program
 - 1994: ATLAS & CMS technical proposals
- 1994: CERN Council approval of (stage 1) LHC
- 1995: approval of full (single stage) LHC (start in 2005)
- 2000: shutdown and dismantling of LEP
- 2005:
 - 2009: collid
- start of installation of LHC dipoles;
 - colliding beams (November)

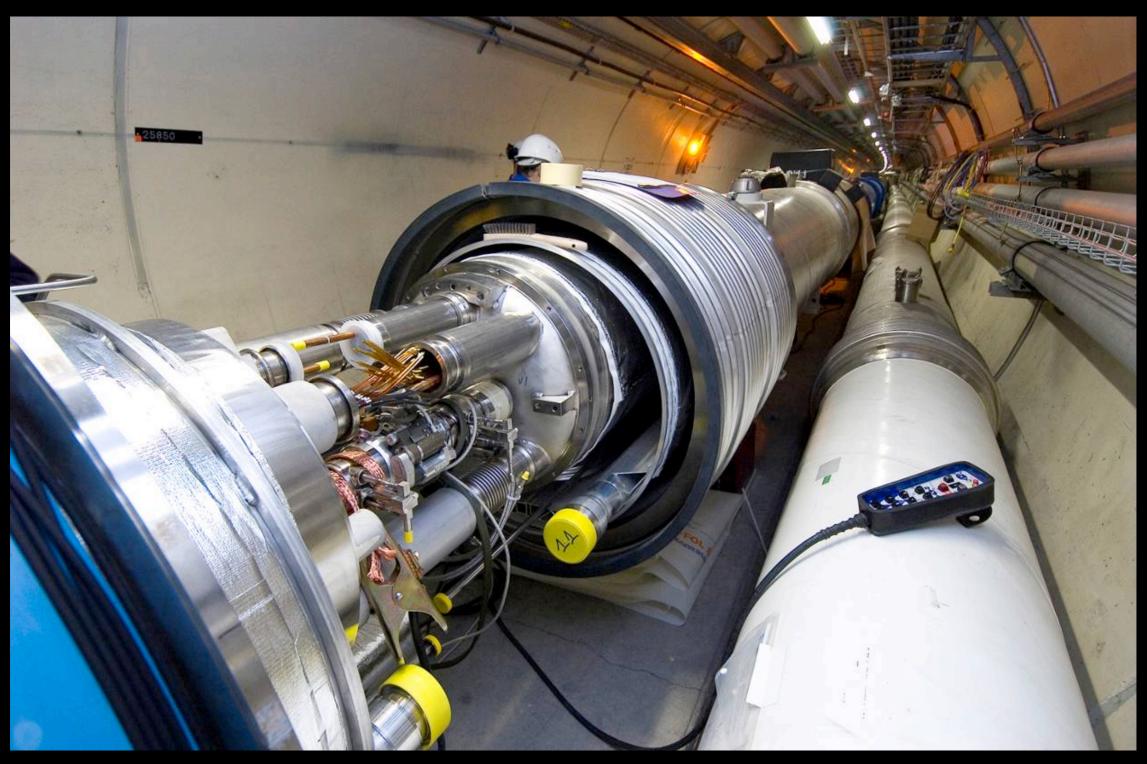
The Large Hadron Collider at the European Centre for Particle Physics CERN / Geneva

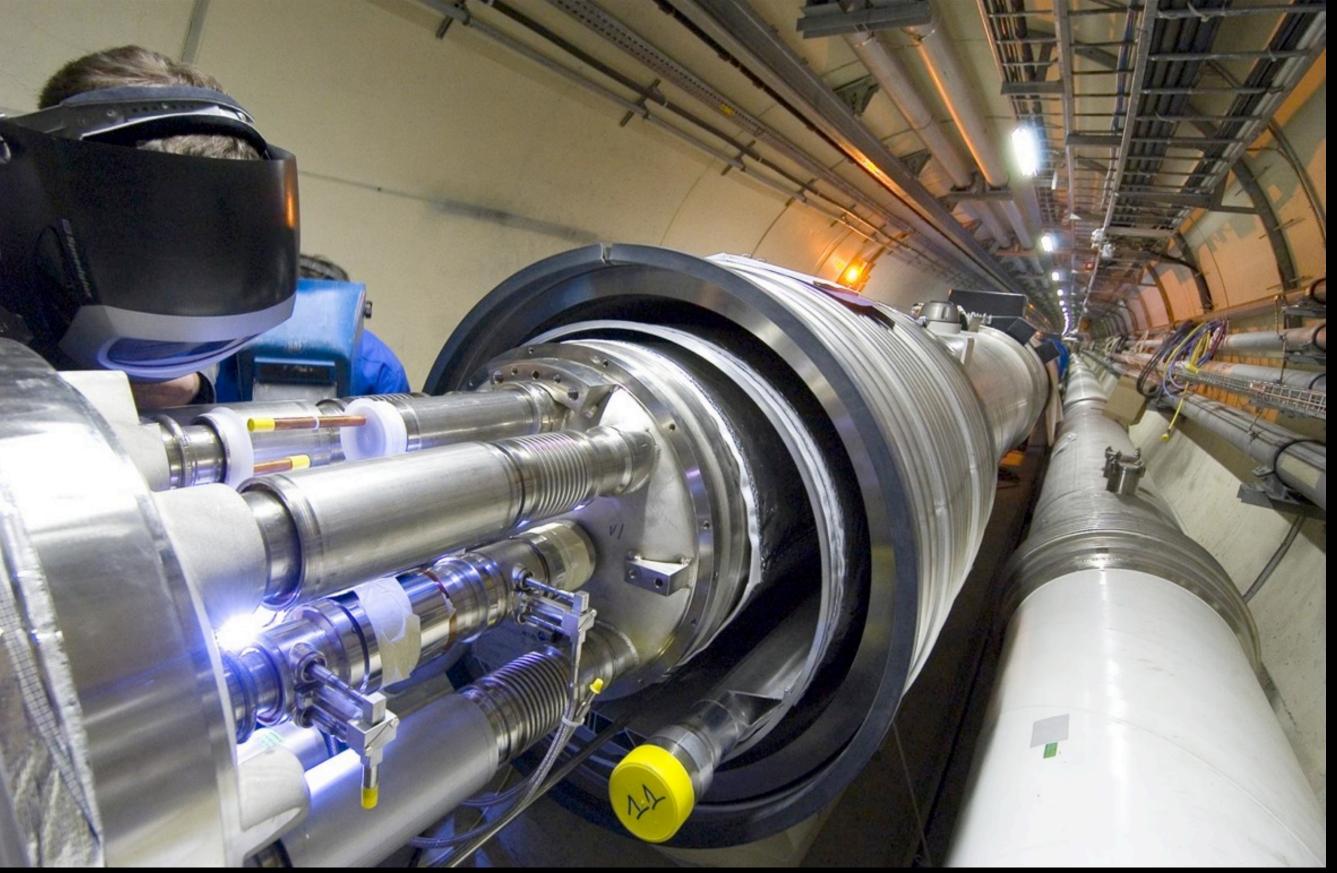


The LHC Dipol Magnets

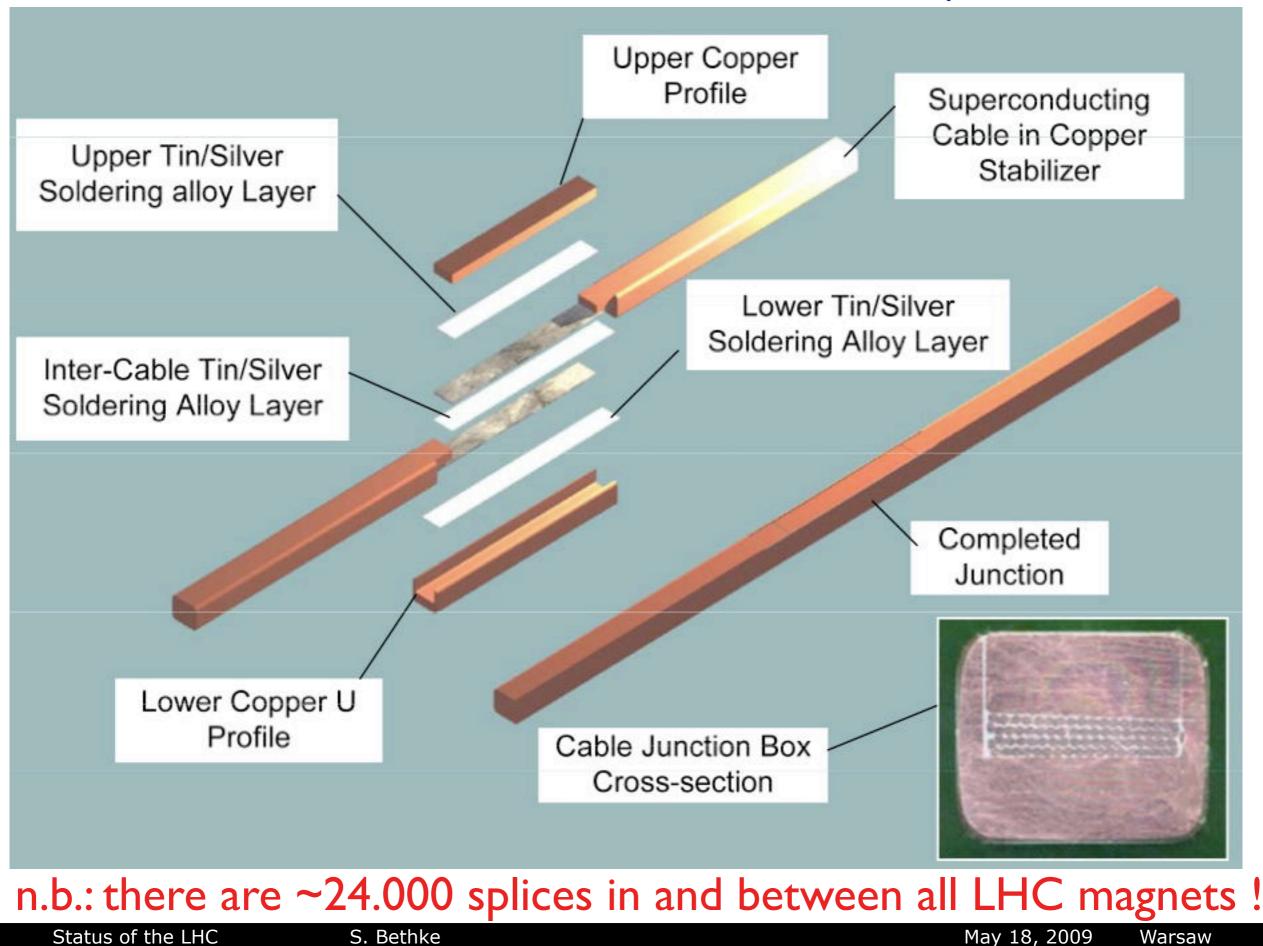








how to connect sc cables ... ? "splices"



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| circuit | splice type | splices per magnet | number of units | total splices |
|---------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| RB | inter pole | 2 | 1232 | 2464 |
| RB | inter aperture | 1 | 1232 | 1232 |
| RB | interlayer | 4 | 1232 | 4928 |
| RB | internal bus | 1 | 1232 | 1232 |
| RB | interconnect | 2 | 1686 | 3372 |
| RQ | Inter pole | 6 | 394 | 2364 |
| RQ | internal bus | 4 | 394 | 1576 |
| RQ | interconnect | 4 | 1686 | 6744 |
| total | | | | 23912 |

The LHC project: approaching operation

- March 2005 : lowering down of 1st dipole
- April 2007 : installation of last dipole
- Nov. 2007 : last connection of magnets completed
- July 2008 : LHC at operation temperature
- Aug. 8, 2008 : beam 1 up to LHC point 3 (ALICE)
- Aug. 22, 2008: beam 2 up to LHC point 7 (LHCb)
- Sep. 10, 2008 : circulating beam 1, later beam 2 !!! magnets sector 34 tested up to 4 TeV, all other sectors up to 5 TeV; then: ~ 40 hours of single rotating beam

 Sep. 19, 2008 : major incident in sector 34 when testing magnets to 5 TeV (w/o beam)

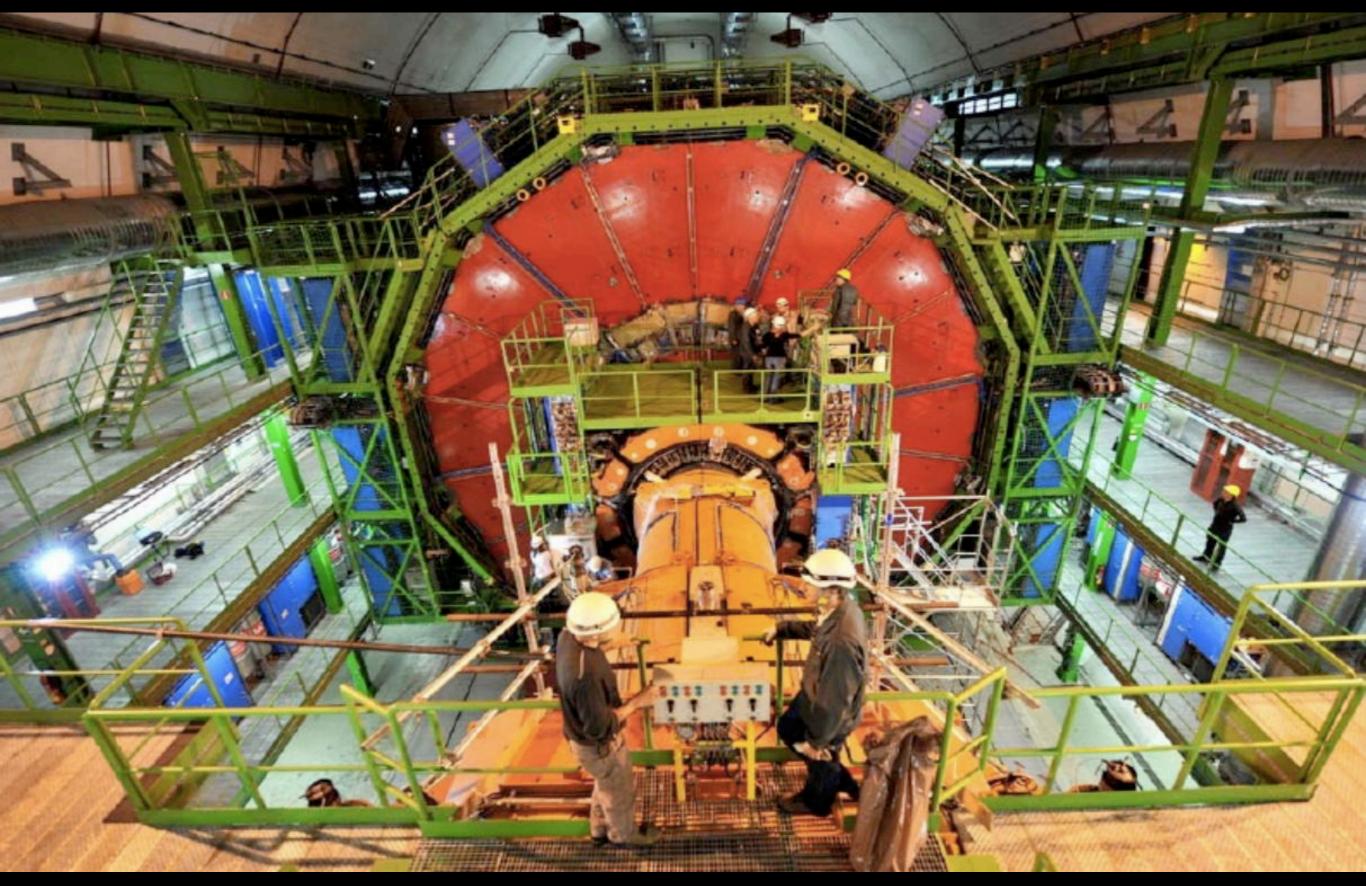
LHC Tunnel (12/2005)

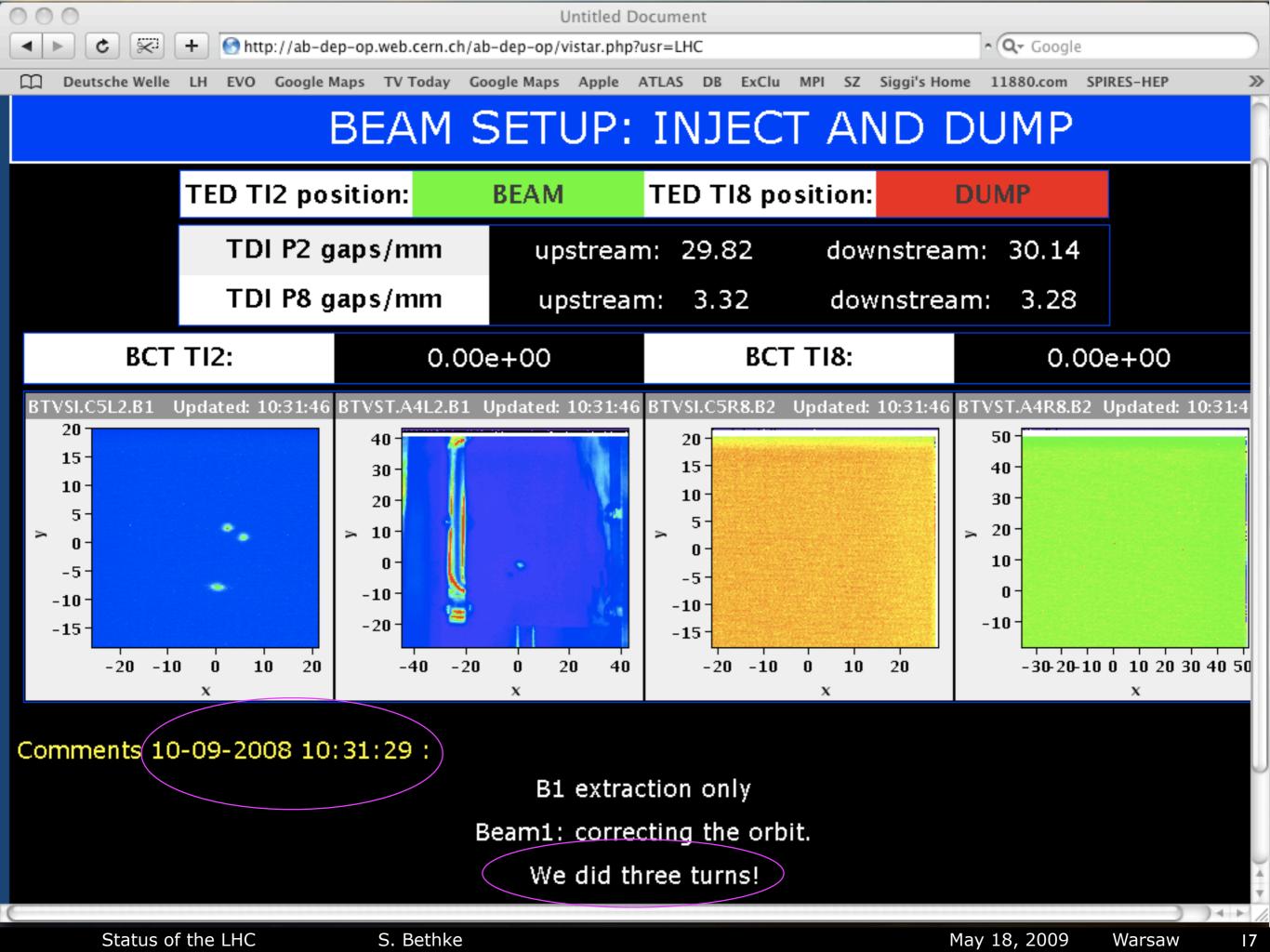


16 June 2008: Last piece of LHC ring being put in place

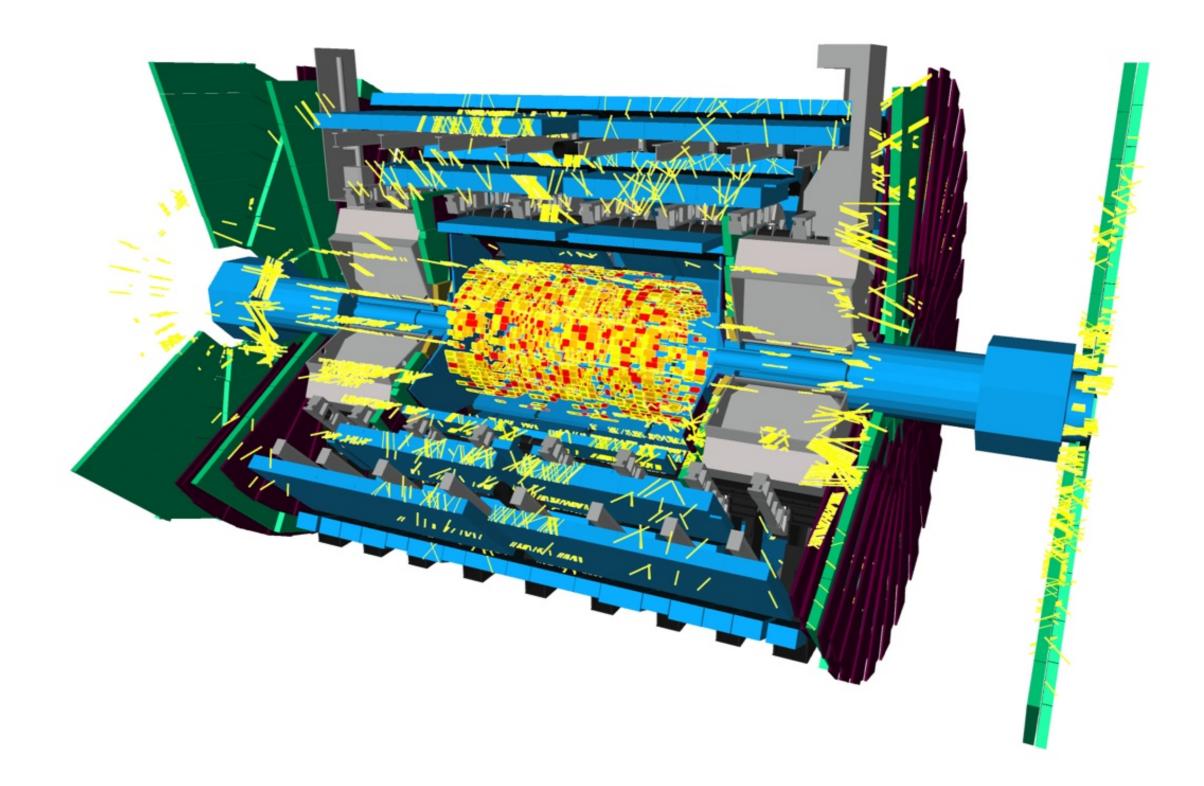
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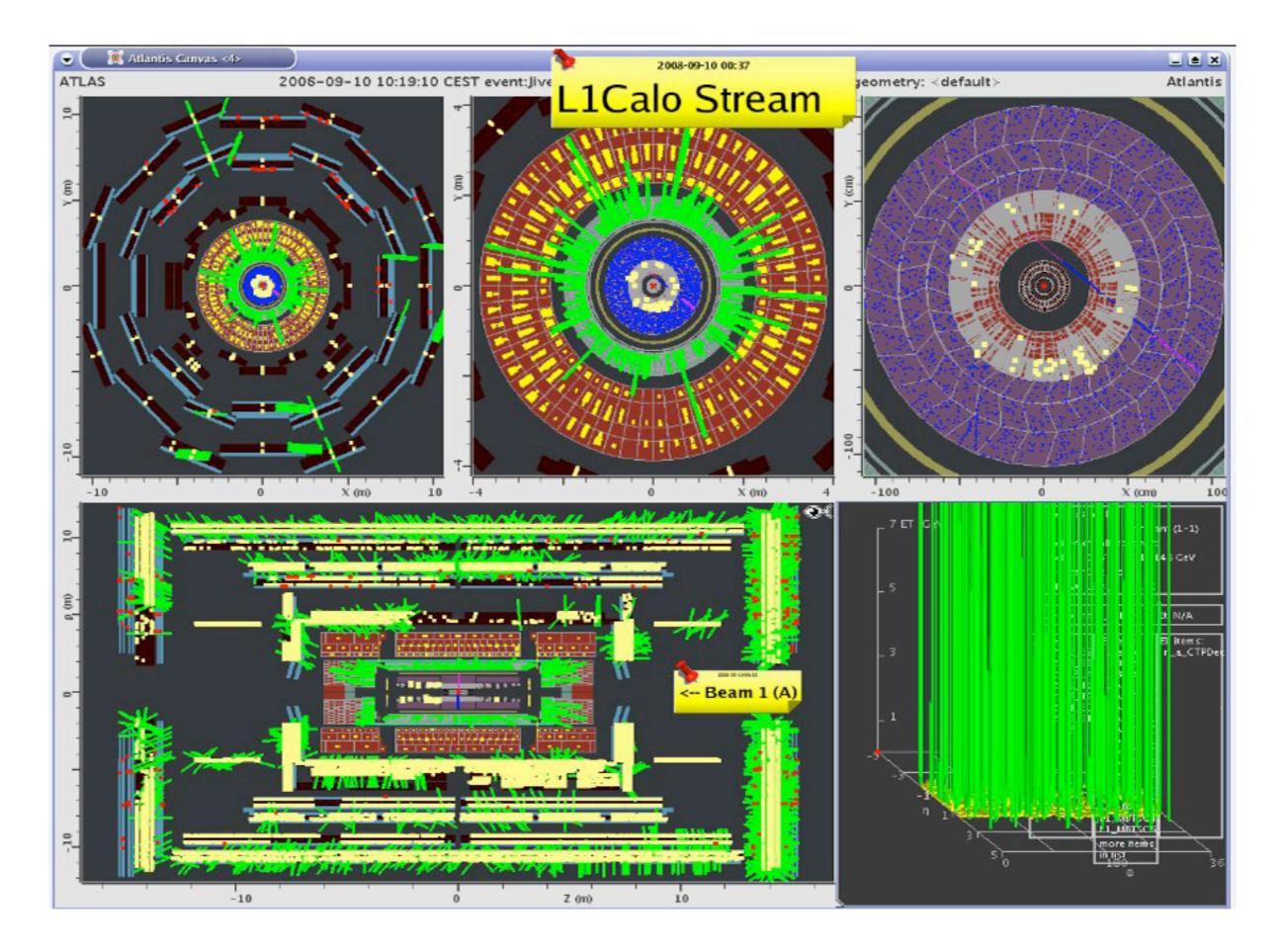
September 8, 2009: CMS closed; ready for beam





first beam splash recorded by ATLAS



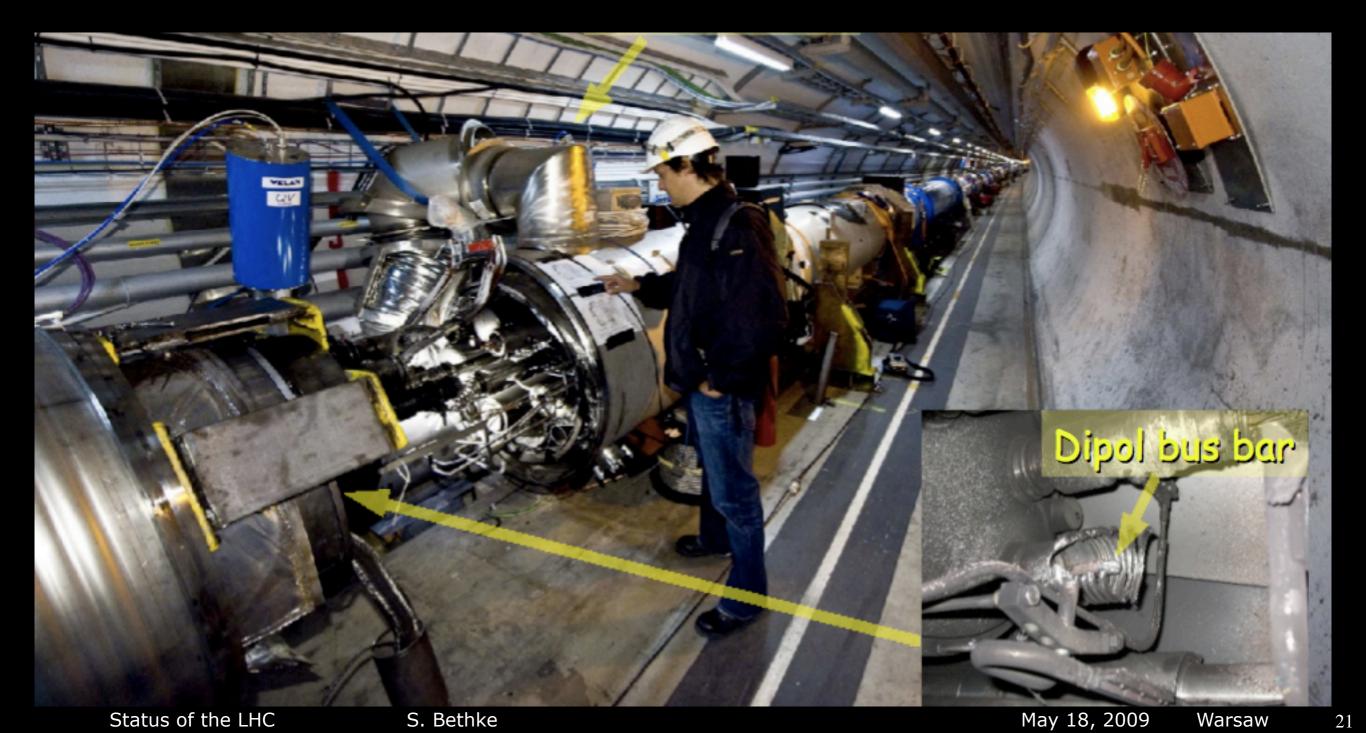


The LHC incident: what happened and why?

- a bad electrical connection between dipole C24 and quadrupole Q24 of ~200 nΩ results in ΔU~2mV at 9kA, generating ~16W of heat load, which cannot be cooled away by HeII -> "thermal runaway"
- transition to normal conductivity (quench) of sc cable (which is not in the quench protection system of magnets) -> melting and boiling away of conductor
- formation of electrical arc, punctuating the He vessel
- outflow of ~2 tons of He into the cryostat
- overpressure valves cannot release mass flow (design: 2kg/s; actual at incident: 20 kg/s)
- pressure of 7 bar (design: 1.5) on vacuum barriers
- severe mechanical destruction

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the blown-up connection between C24 and Q24



physical displacement of many magnets; destruction of connections



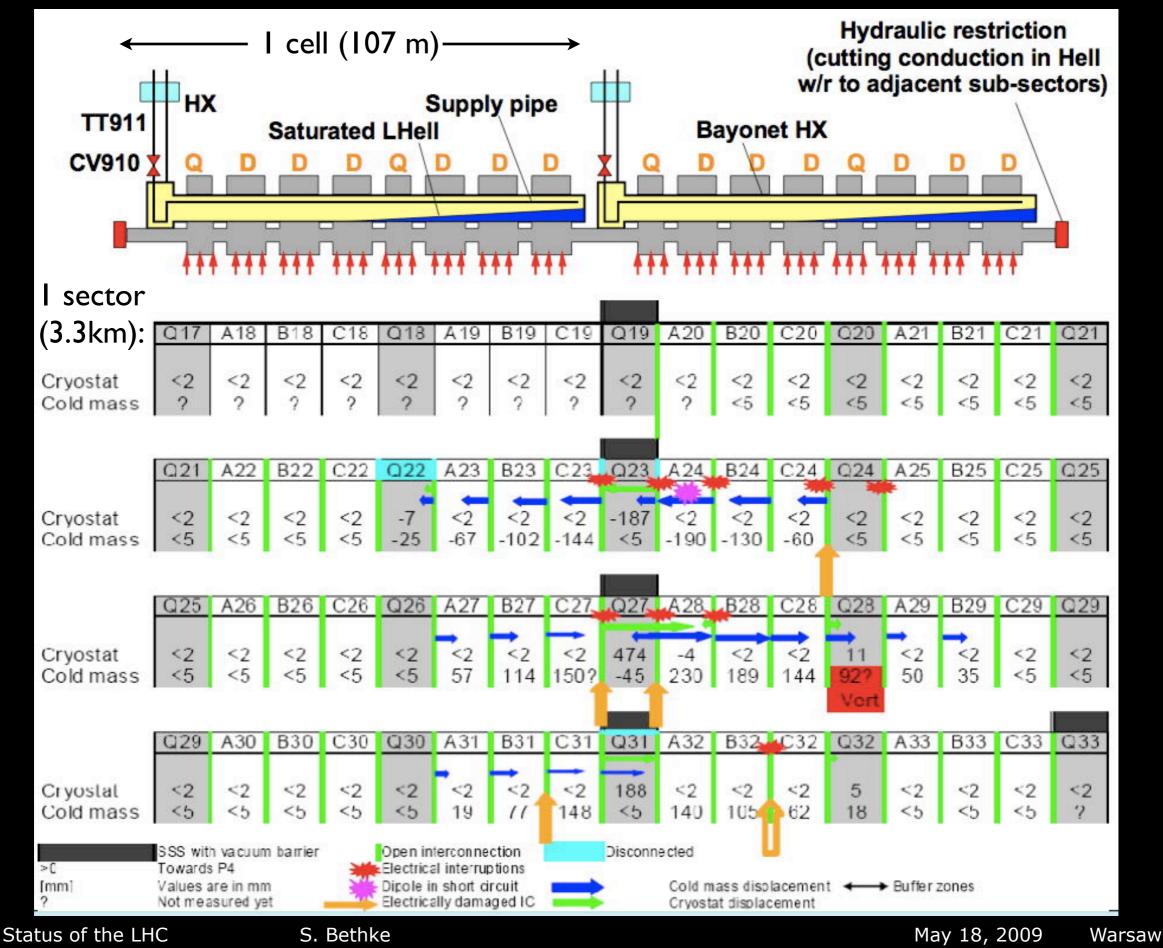
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support jacks ripped out of concrete socket



inventory of damages



inventory of damages, actions for repair and improvement of safety

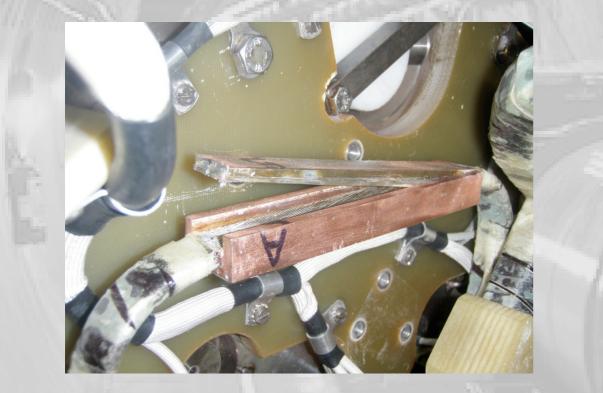
- about 50 magnets and short straight sections (SSS)
 to be brought to surface
- ~10 magnets to be replaced, others to be repaired
- tunnel & magnets to be cleaned

- quench protection system for bus-bars (electronics; 160 km cables)
- install large capacity pressure valves (must happen in warm!)
- measure and detect other posible bad sc connections (sufficient sensitivity only when cold!)

search for bad sc connections "successful":

 two magnets found with ~100 nΩ resistence in inner splices; sectors (12 and 56) warmed up, magnets deinstalled and brought on surface -> lack of solder!

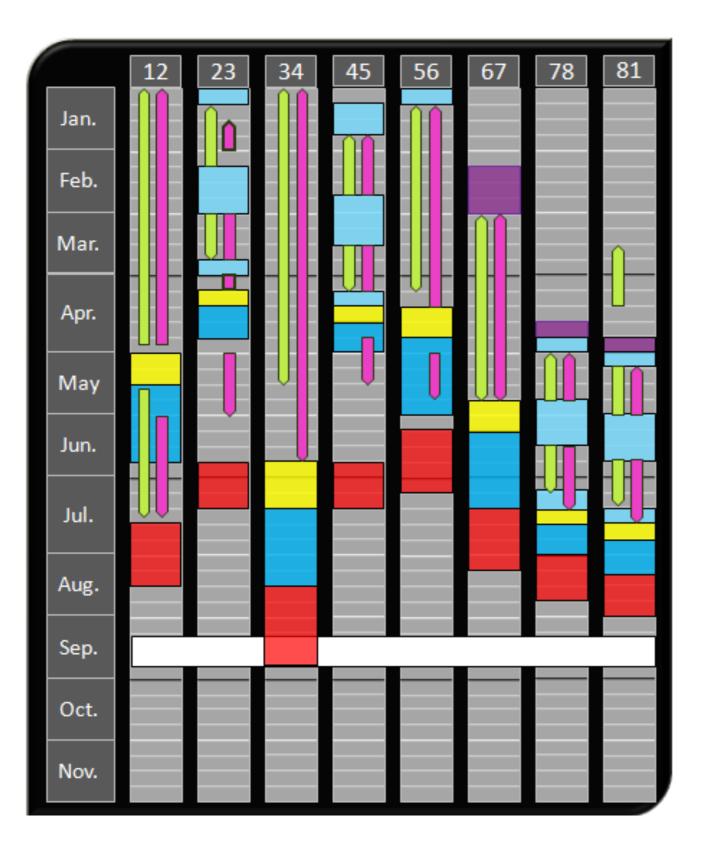
Splice resistance non-conformities – example





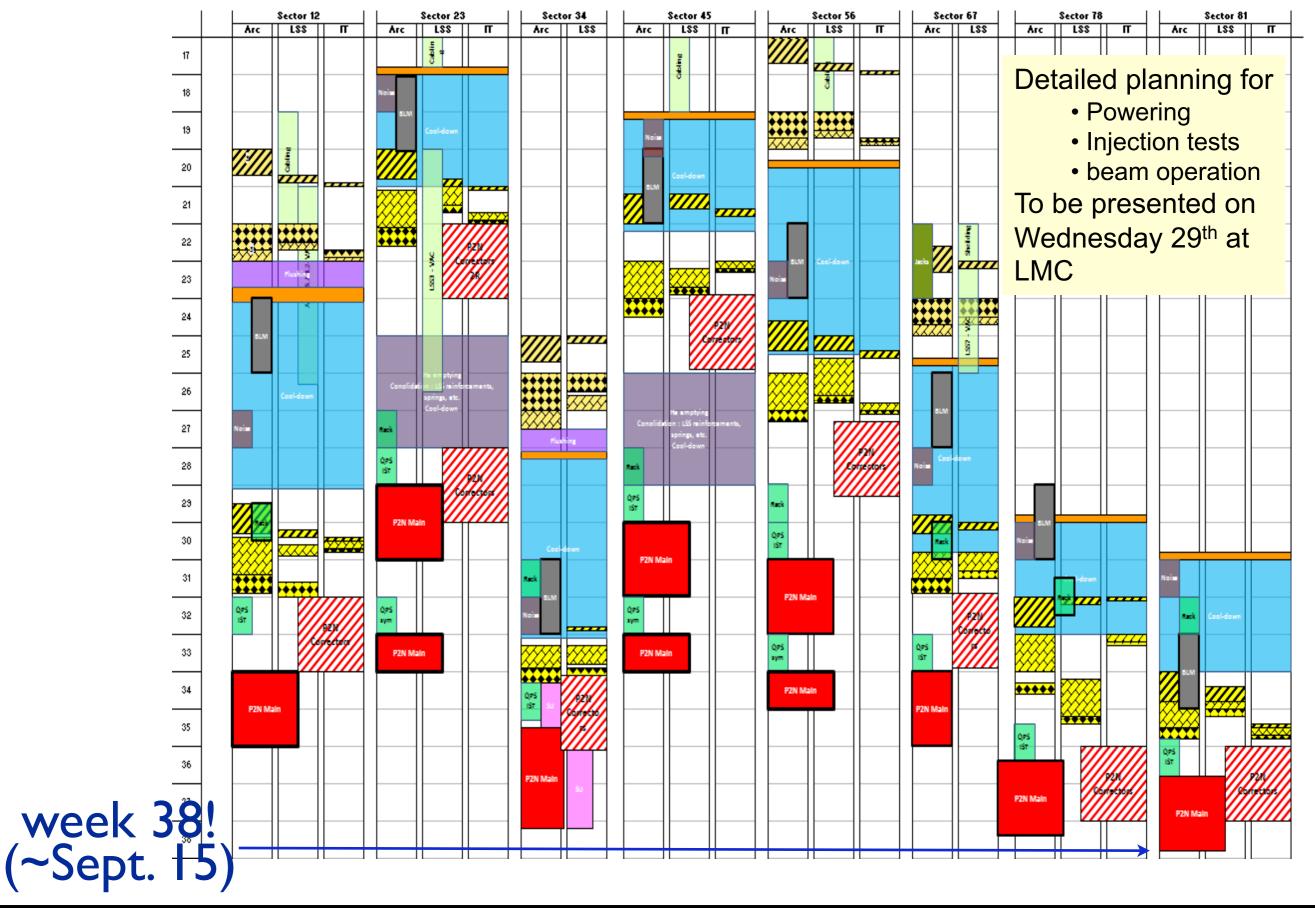
 magnets of other sectors (not being cold) investigated by analysis of old test data

baseline schedule (Feb. 09):



- Machine cold wk 34
- Powering Tests start wk 24
- LHC Machine starts wk 39 (~Sept 22)

optimised schedule (April 29, 2009):



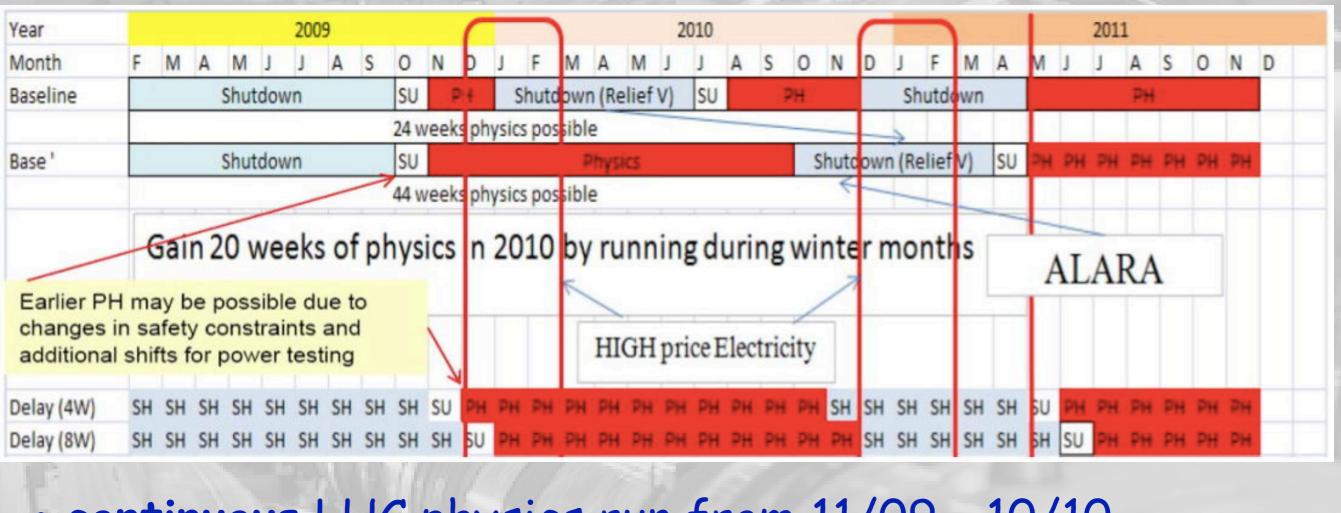
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current LHC status (May 15):

- **no delay w.r.t. above schedule** (daily struggles with e.g. technological problems, purchasing, admin ... but still within schedule)
- re-installation of last dipole on (April 30)
- replacement of new valves (warm sectors) finished
- parts for new quench protection tested, ordered

decisions taken on 2009/2010 LHC running:

LHC schedule for 2009-2011:

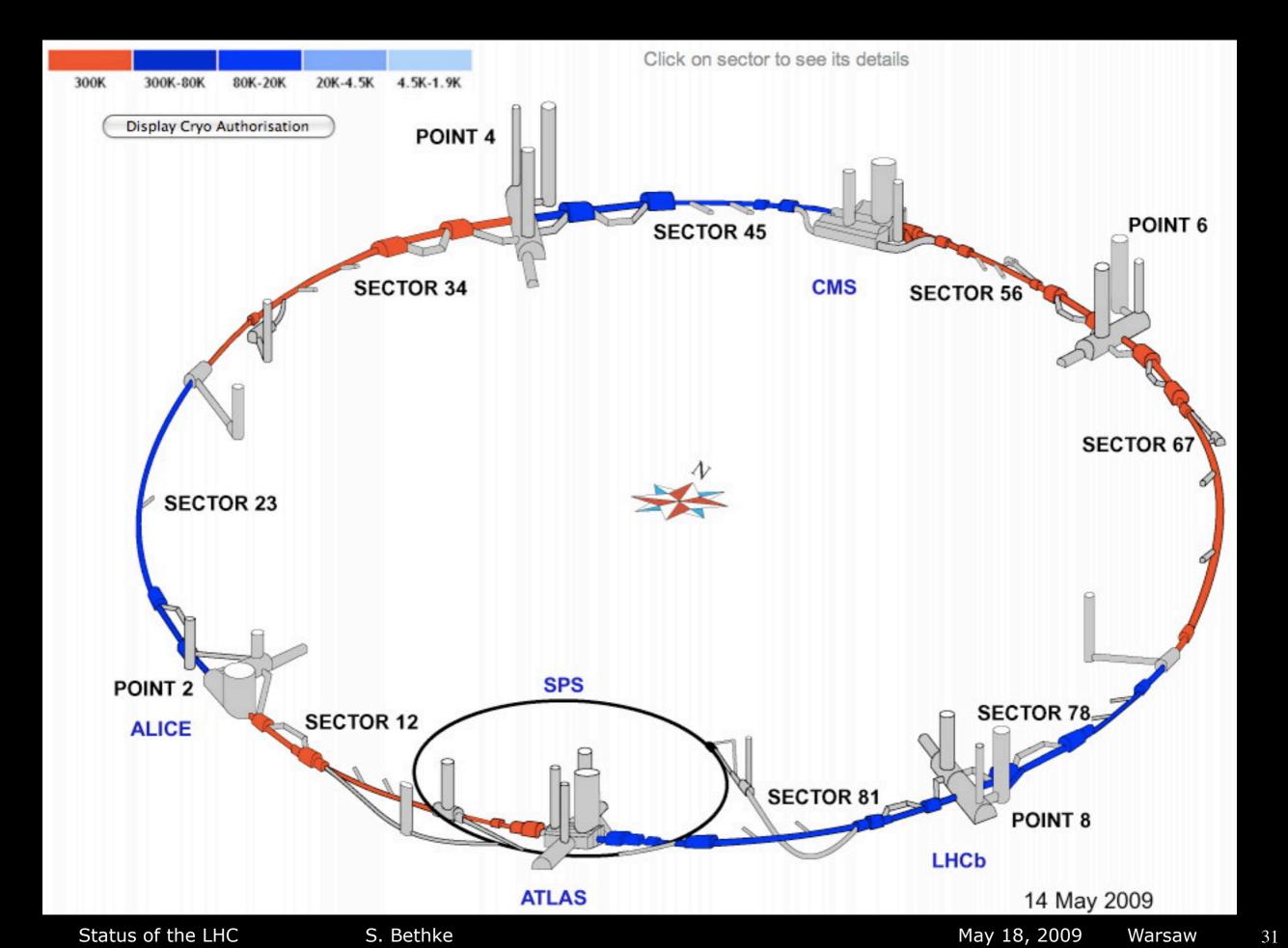


continuous LHC physics run from 11/09 - 10/10

- limited to 5 TeV beams (values; retraining of magnets to 7 TeV needs ~60 days and ~1000 magnet quenches!)
- possible initial "stops" at 0.5, 1 and 2 TeV beams
- expect peak L~5 10³¹... 2 10³²; int. L ~ 250 pb⁻¹
- possibly ~1 month heavy ion running at the end

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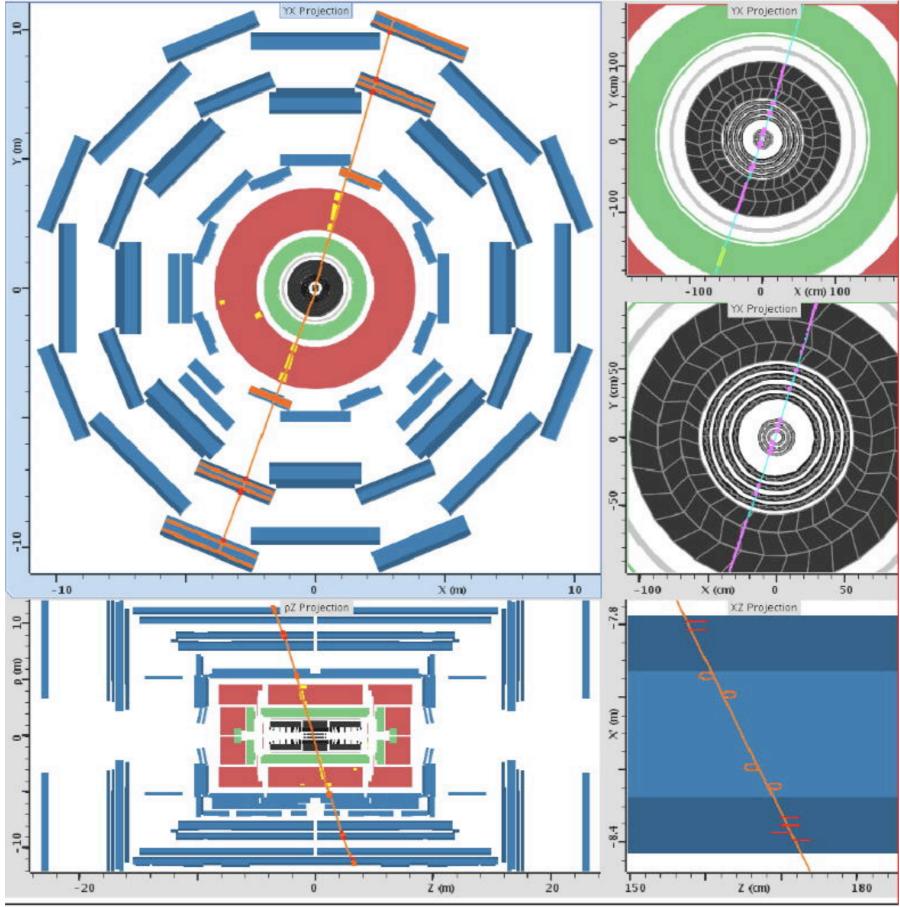
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one year completely lost for physics ? no - not entirely! down-time used for:

- maintenance and repair wherever possible and needed
- installation of some (previously staged) detector parts
- data runs with cosmic muons (abt. 216 million events; >1.2 PB on disk)
 - commissioning of detector, trigger, readout, software, grid computing, shift & maintenance crews, ...
 - calibration and alignment of subdetectors
- write-up and document, (e.g. ATLAS computing & software challenge, CSC)
- start to develop plans for detector upgrades for sLHC
- · generate large MC samples

cosmic muon in ATLAS



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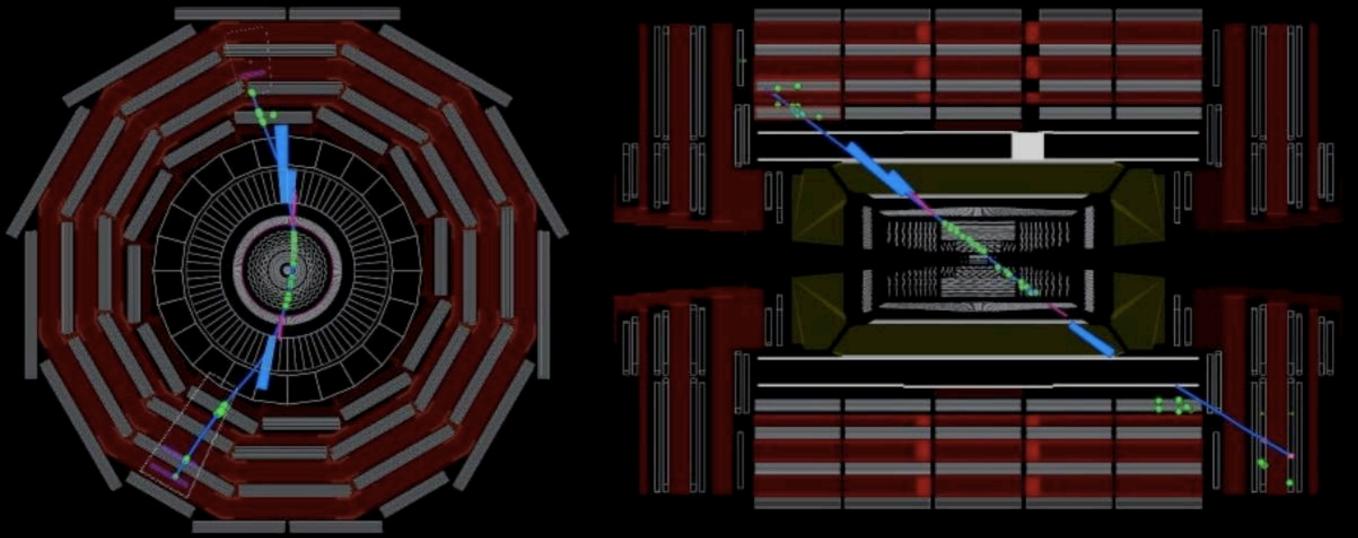
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cosmic muon in CMS

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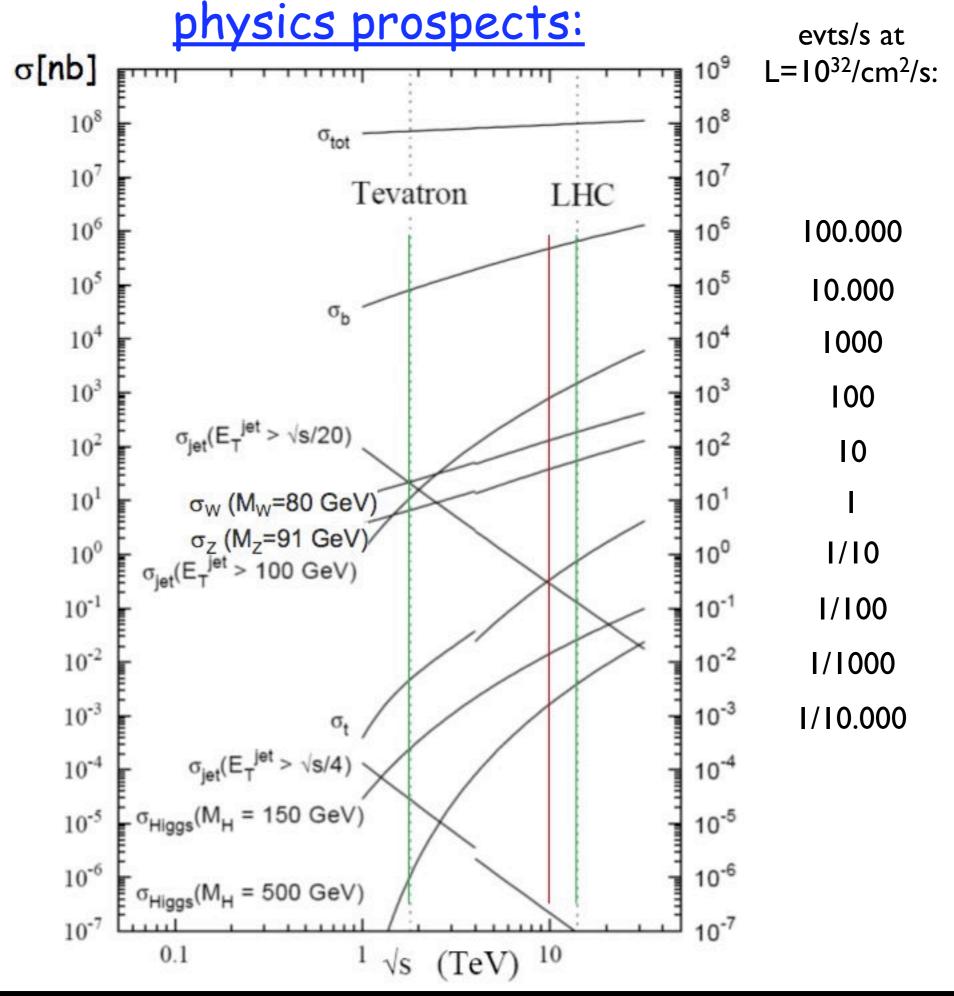


... passing all subdetecors incl. pixel ...

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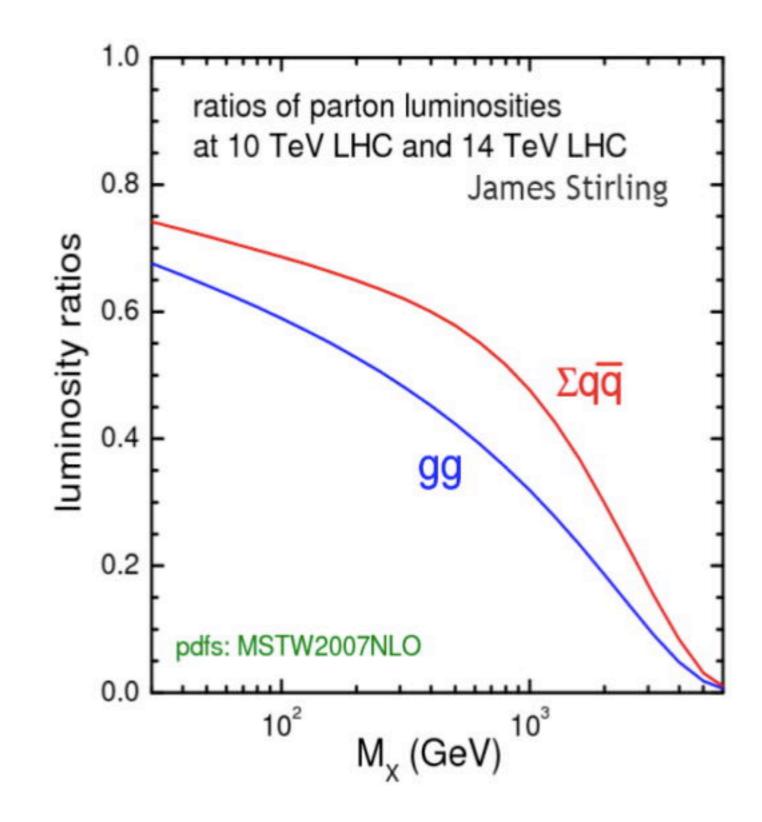


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roadmap for first LHC collision data:

- 1 10 pb⁻¹: detector calibration with real data first measurements (e.g. "minimum bias")
- ~ 100 pb⁻¹ : precision calibration
 - SM measurements (re-establishment) first sensitivity for new physics

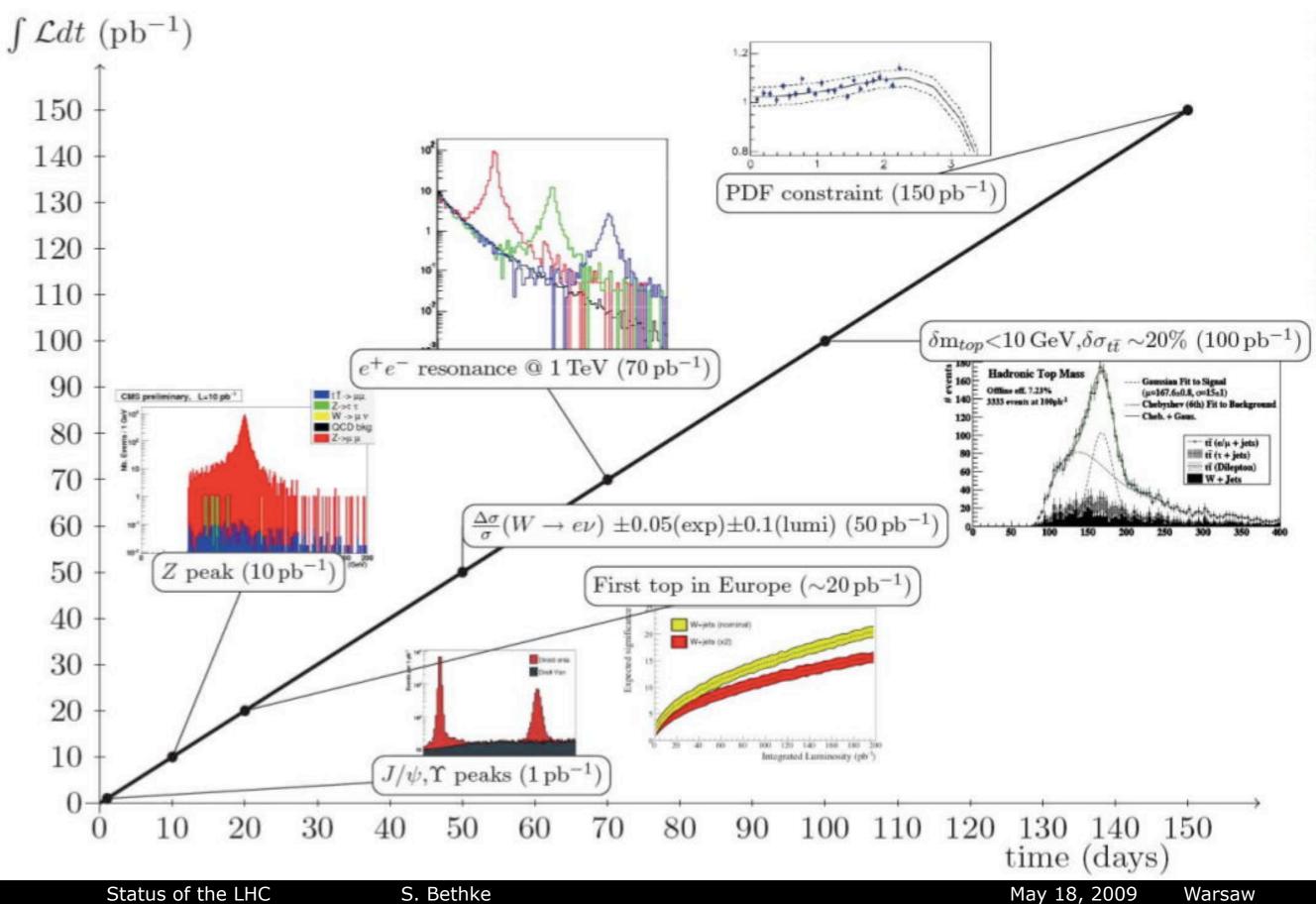
expect (10 TeV, 100 pb⁻¹):

- > 5 10⁶ triggered minimum bias events
- $\sim 10^8$ jet events
- $2.5 \ 10^5 \text{ W} \rightarrow 1 \nu \text{ events}$
- $2.5 \ 10^4 \ \text{Z} \rightarrow \text{II events}$

•~1 fb⁻¹

: sensitivity to discover Higgs bosons, SUSY, new resonances (O(TeV))

roadmap for first LHC collision data:



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- repair and recuperation from Sept. 19 incident in full swing and on schedule for restart of LHC in mid September 2009
- measures taken to prevent re-occurance of incidents like Sept-19 (bus bar quench protection; valves; magnet tests; 5 TeV)
- plan for long and continuous data run from 11/09 10/10at 10 TeV and with L~5 10^{31} ... 2 10^{32} ; int. L ~ 250 pb⁻¹

• physics roadmap for that initial run:

- lots of Z's, W's, jets and first t-quarks in Europe
- with a little luck, first sensitivity for new physics
- precise measurement of top-quark mass, and significant sensitivity for Higgs, SUSY, extra dimensions etc.
 will have to wait for times beyond 2010/2011 ...

