

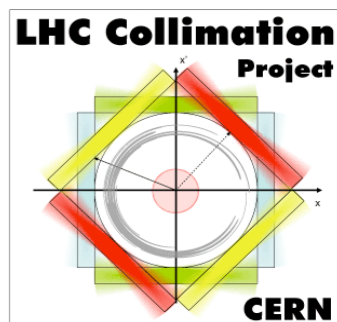
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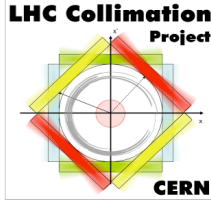
# Operational Experience with the LHC Collimation System

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Operation aspects

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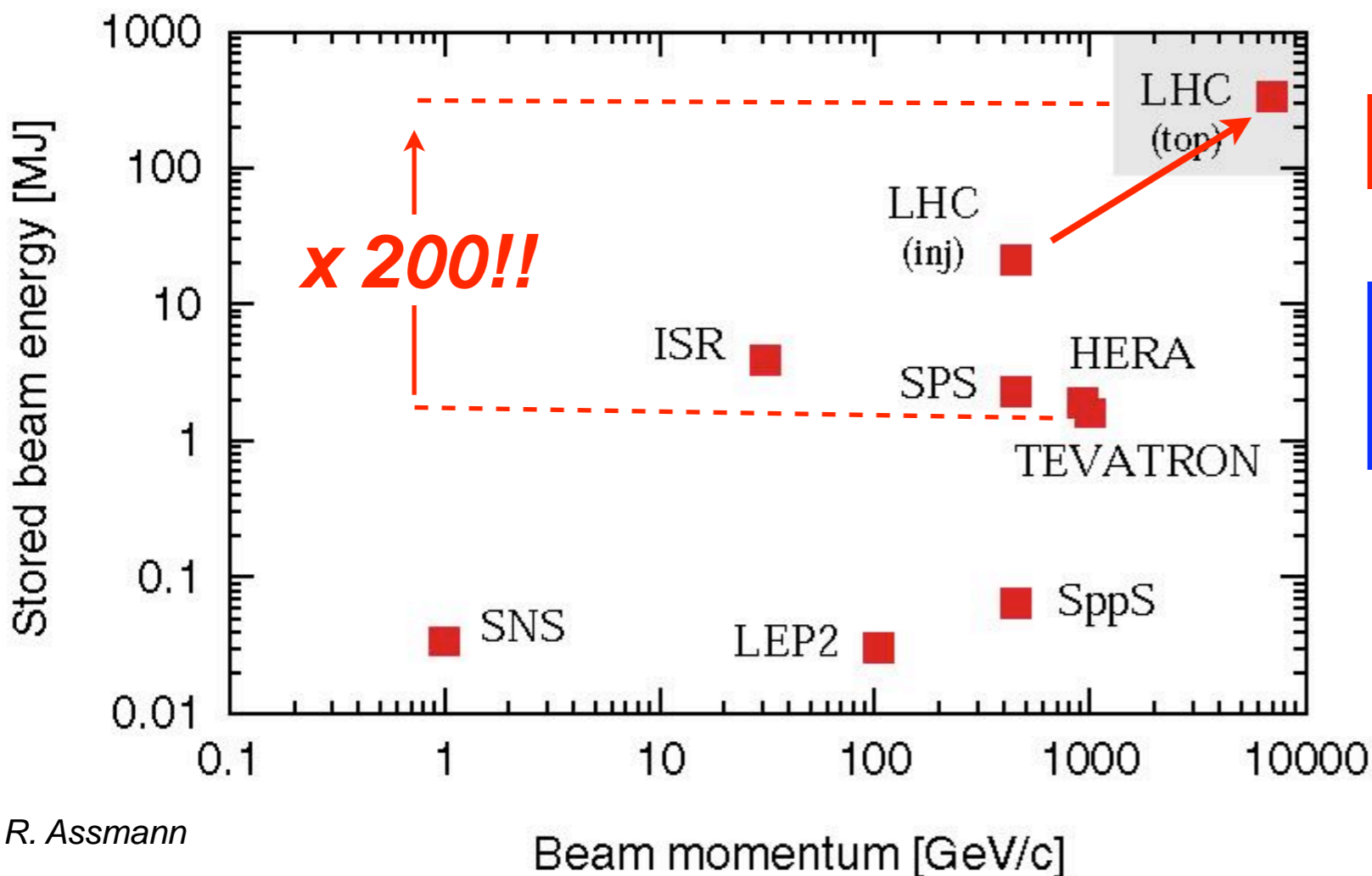
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# Introduction



R. Assmann

LHC enters in a **new territory** for handling **ultra-intense beams** in a **super-conducting environment!**

$$E_b = 0.45 \rightarrow 7 \text{ TeV}; I_b = 3.4 \times 10^{14}$$

<b>Stored energy</b>	<b>362 MJ (7 TeV)</b>
	<b>23 MJ (450 GeV)</b>

<b>Quench limit</b>	<b>~ 10 mJ / cm<sup>3</sup></b>
<b>Damage (metal)</b>	<b>~ 50 kJ / mm<sup>2</sup></b>



- Control losses **1000 times better than the state-of-the-art!**
- Important role in **machine protection**
- Need collimation in **all machine states: injection, ramp, squeeze, physics**



## Mechanical control

$b = 250 \mu\text{m}$  at 7 TeV

**40  $\mu\text{m}$**  surface flatness over  $L=1\text{m}$   
**20  $\mu\text{m}$**  positioning reproducibility  
**20 ms** synchronization around ring  
**Function-driven** movements

## Heat load (7 TeV)

Minimum lifetime:  $\text{min} \approx 0.2\text{h}$

Up to **30 kW** at top energy  
Keep  $T < 50 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

## Critical for machine protection

Total stored energy = 362 MJ

Interlock positions (functions)  
Interlock temperatures  
Redundancy  
Energy-based limits functions

## High radiation environment

$\sim 10^{16}$  protons per years!

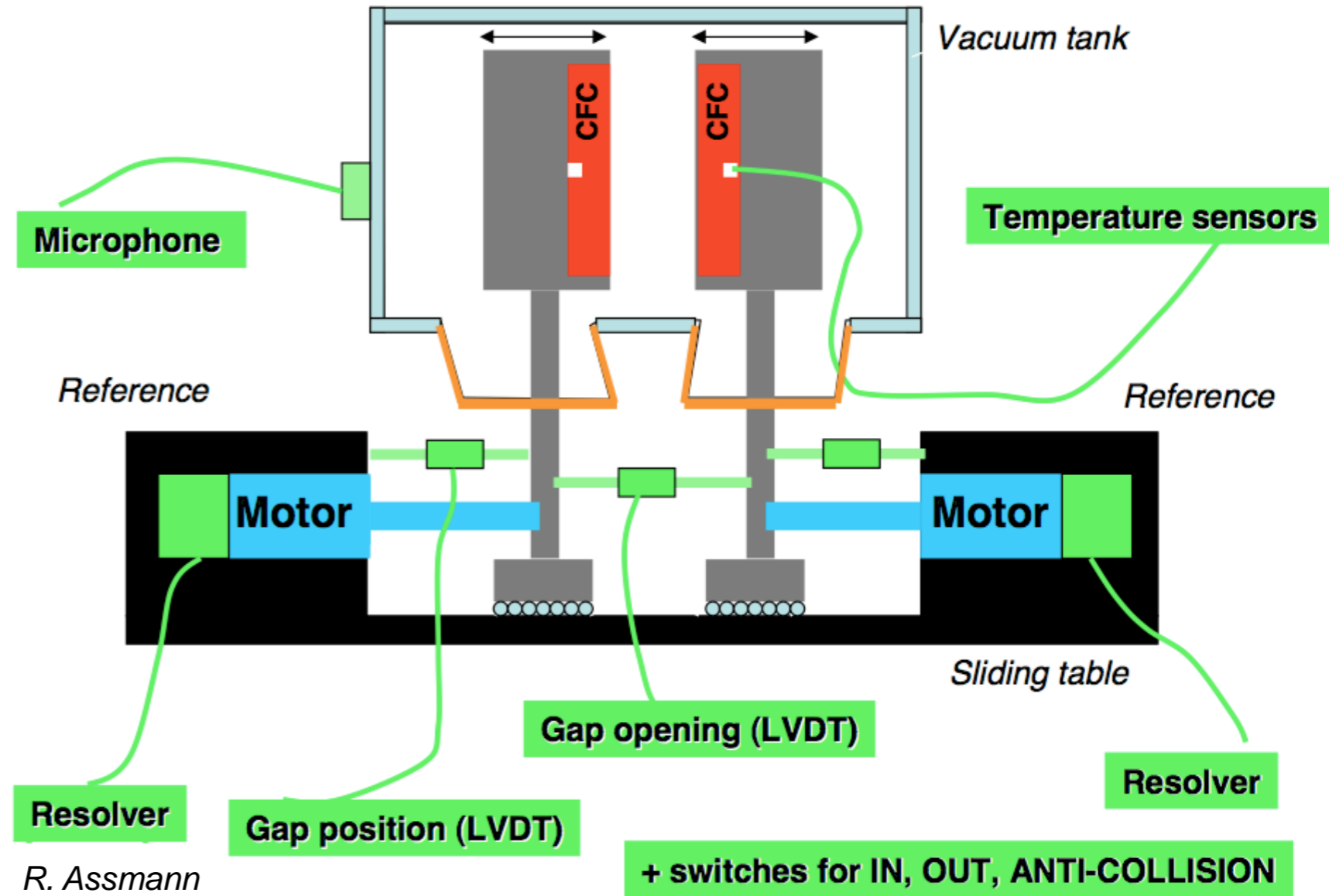
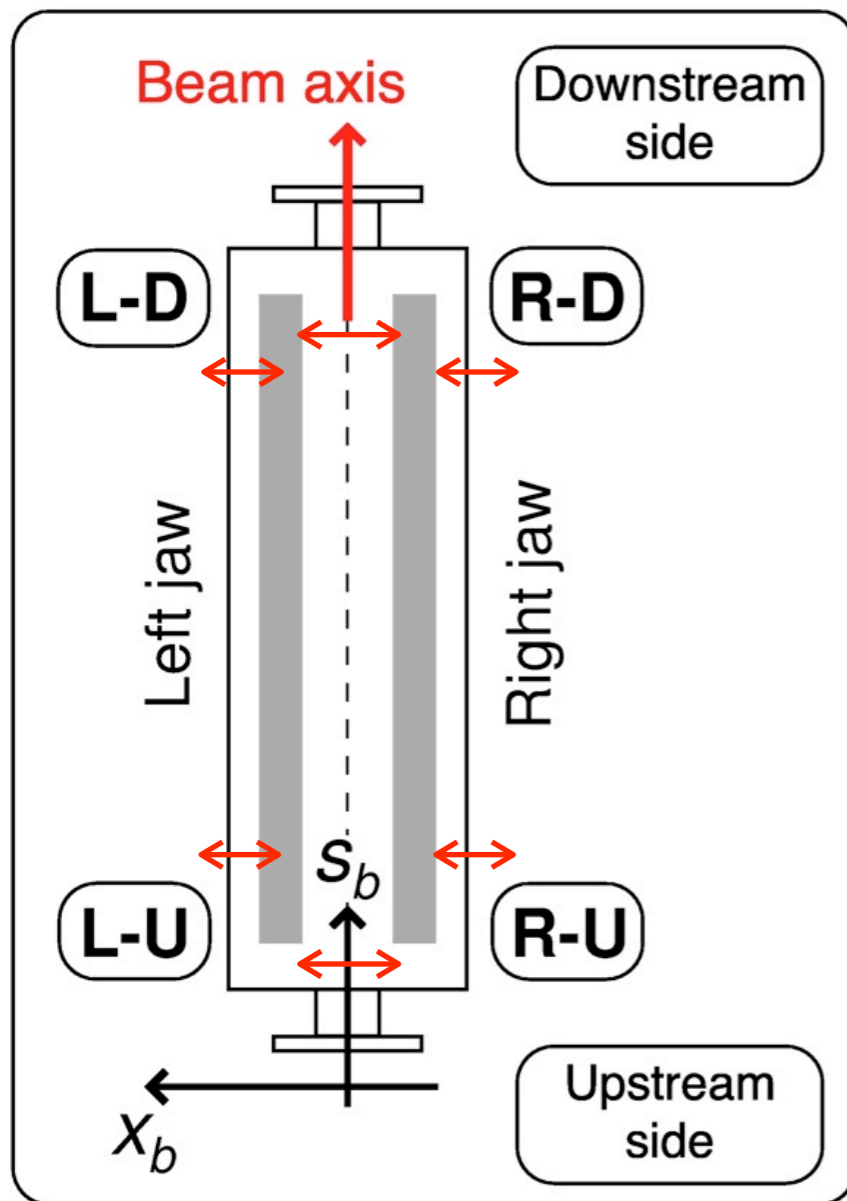
Radiation hardness of components  
Stepping motors:  **$\sim 10\text{-}15 \text{ MGy}$**   
Position sensors:  **$\sim 30 \text{ MGy}$**

## Failure scenarios [Robustness!]

Full **injection** batch  
8 nominal bunches at **7 TeV/c**

→ 288 bunches  $\approx$  **2 MJ (7.2  $\mu\text{sec}$ )**  
→ 8 bunches  $\approx$  **1 MJ (0.2  $\mu\text{sec}$ )**

# Operational aspects: positioning



Settings:

**4 stepping motors** for jaw corners - 1 motor for tank position.

Survey:

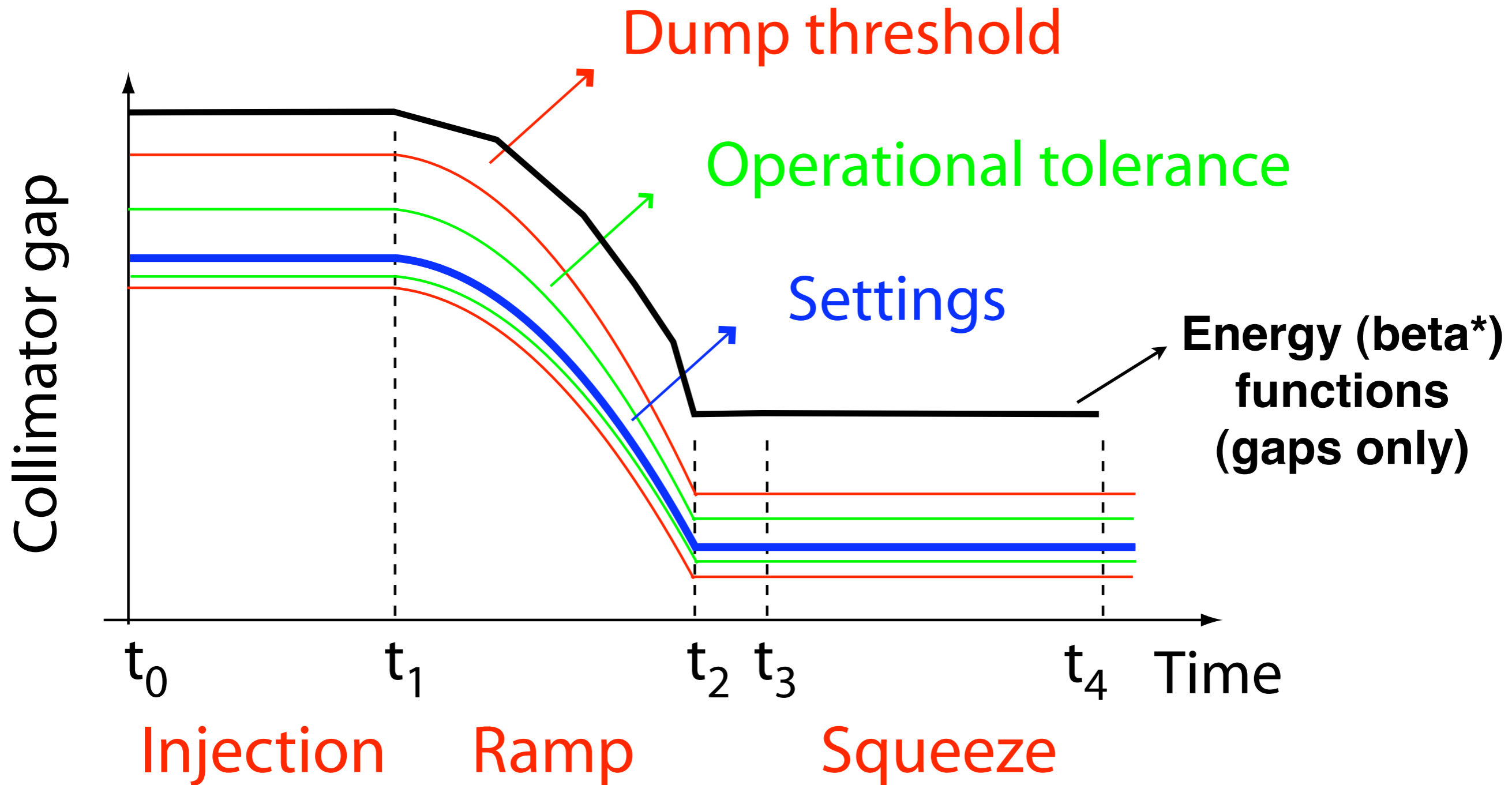
7 direct measurements: **4 corners** + **2 gaps** + tank

**4 resolvers** that count motor steps

**10 switch statuses** (full-in, full-out, anti-collision)

Redundancy: motors+resolvers+LVDT's (*Linear Variable Differential Transformer*) =  
14 position measurements per collimator

# Function driven settings and limits



- Time-functions for settings in all machine states
- Time-limit functions for each motor axis + for the 2 gap meas.
- Energy- (beta\*-)limit functions only for gap



## Ring collimators:

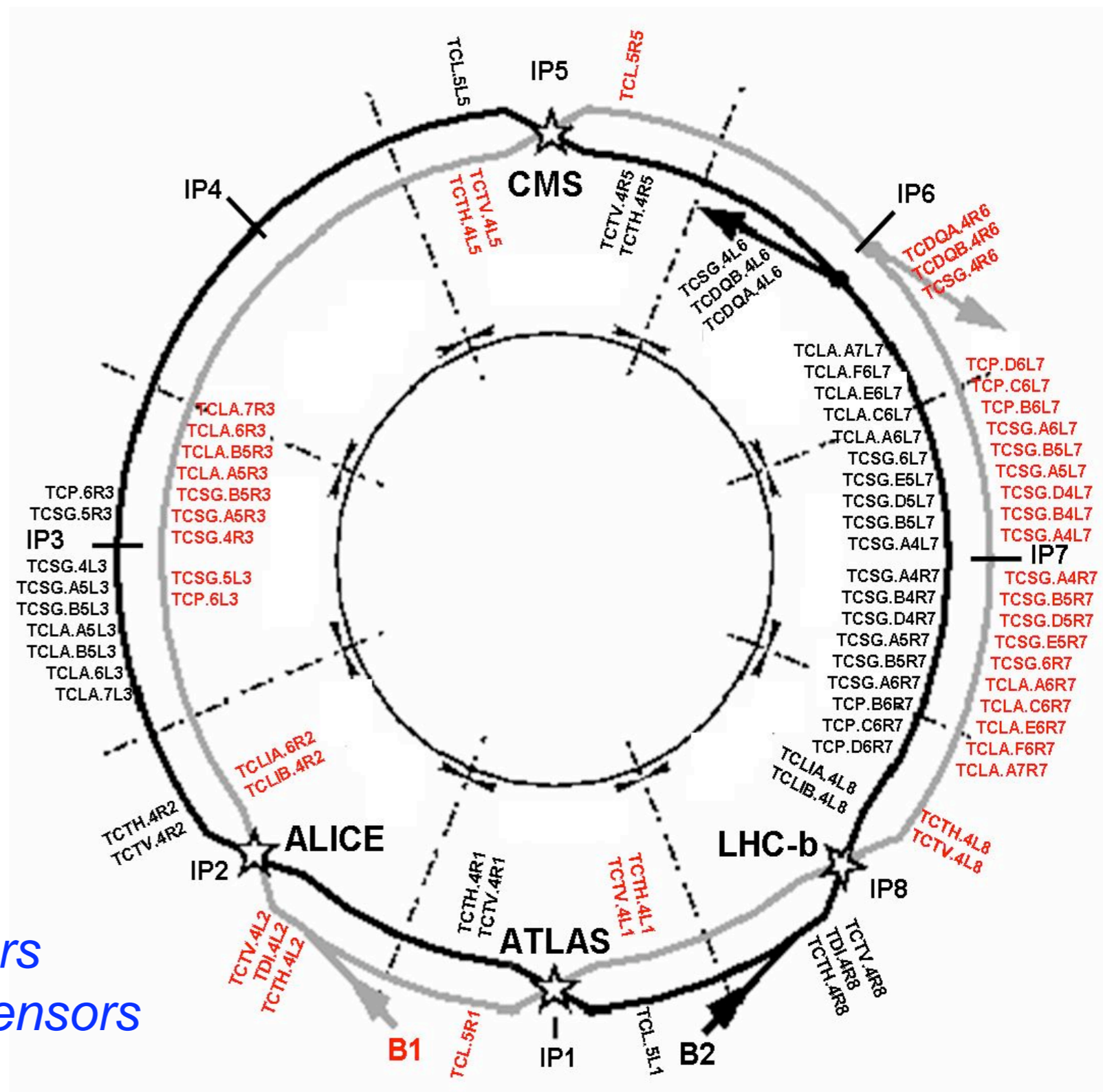
- 62 of type TCP, TCSG, TCLA, TCLI and TCT
- 2 TCDQ (dump)
- 2 TDI + 1 TCDD (inj. prot.)

## Transfer lines:

- 13 TCDI's

## 80 movable LHC collimators for the 2008 system:

- 316 stepping motors
- 468 interlocked position sensors
- 403 interlocked temperature sensors
- 160 beam loss monitors for beam-based set-up



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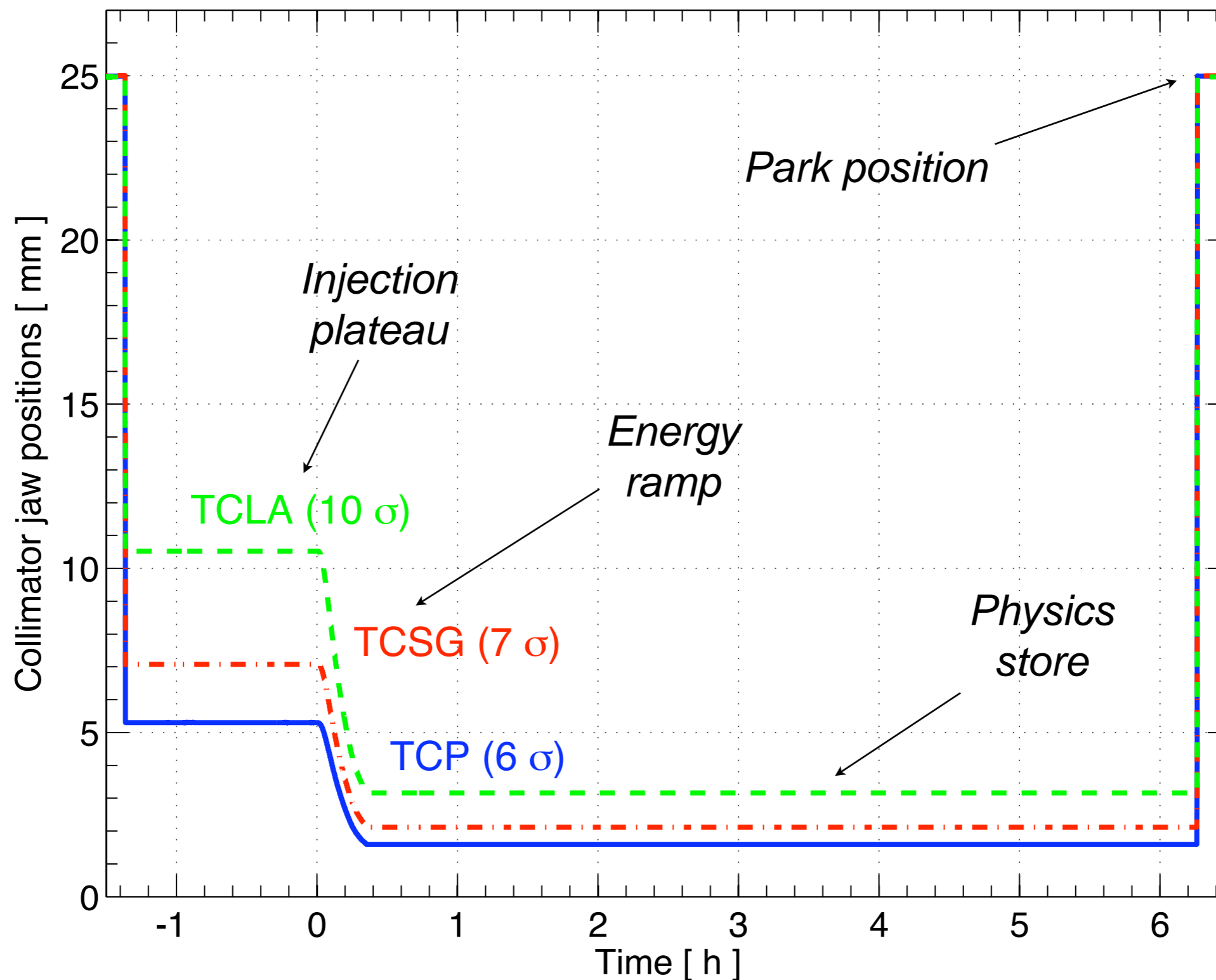
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# Collimator operational cycle

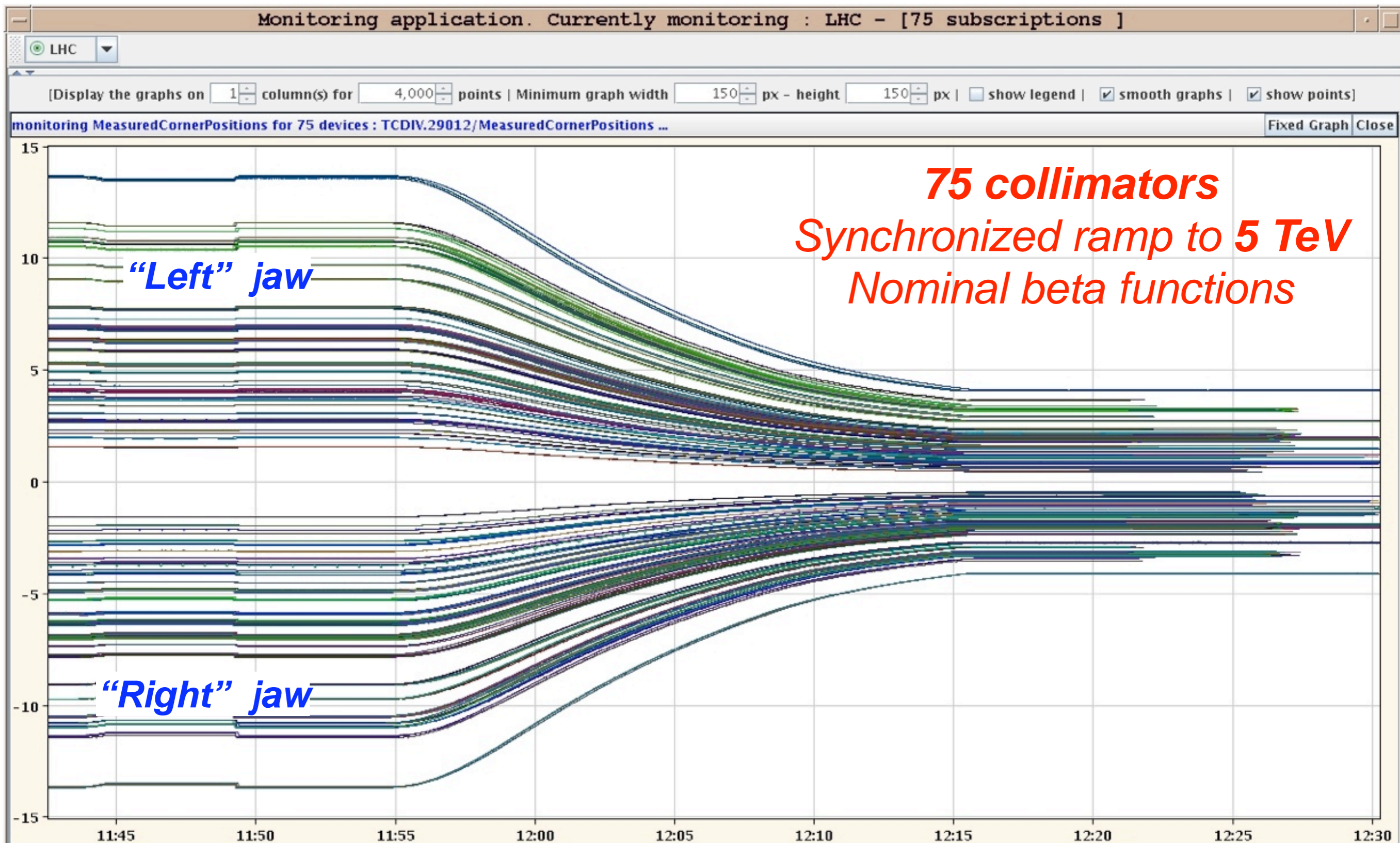
Measure jaw position (half gap) for three collimators in IP7



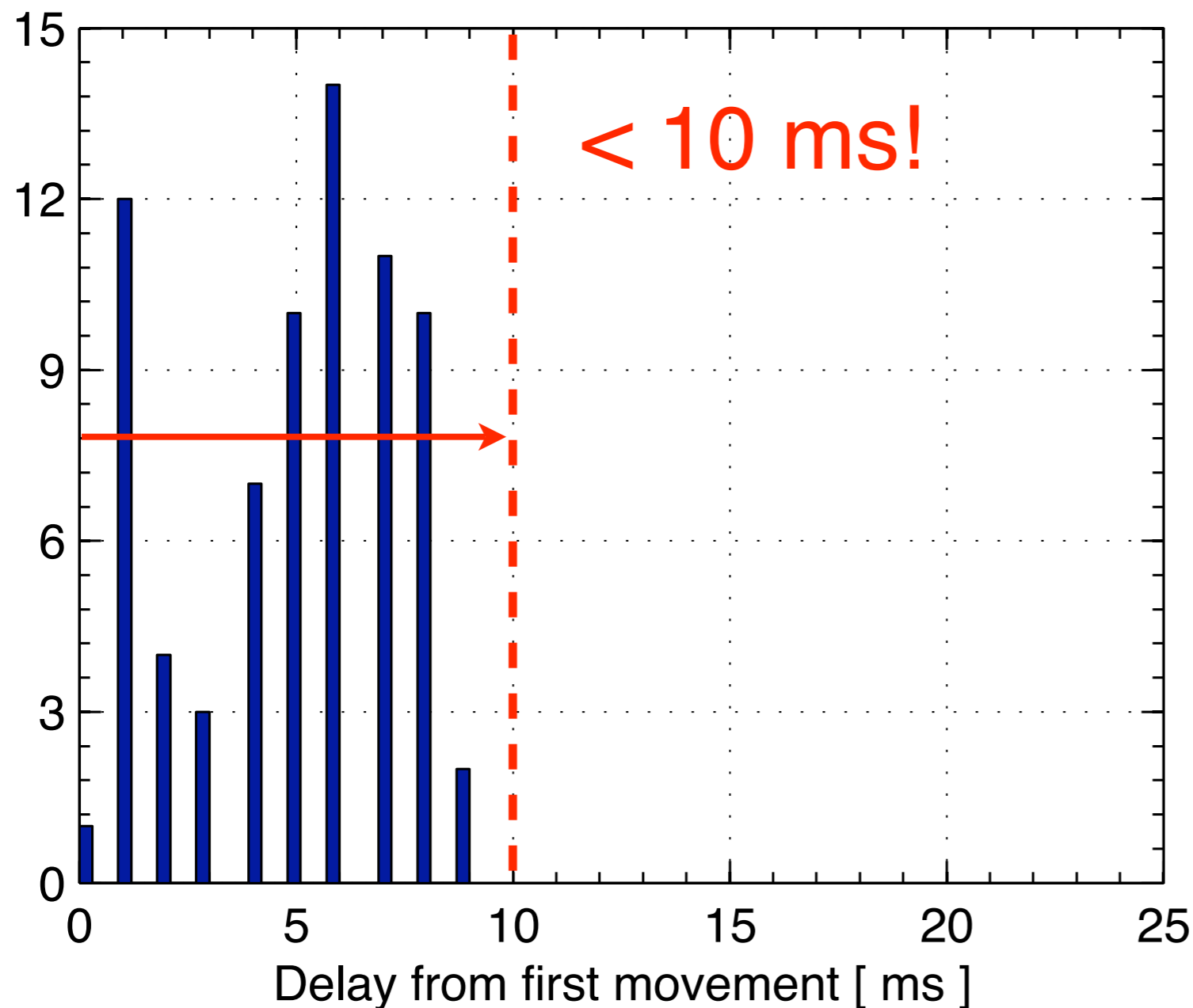


# Synchronized ramp tests

Measured collimator jaw positions versus time



Distribution of starting times



**74 collimators** armed with ramp functions. Start of movements triggered by **hardware timing event**, distributed along the 27 km tunnel. Look at maximum **delay** after the first collimator starts moving.

Beam requirements: **< 20 ms**

**Achieved < 10 ms!**

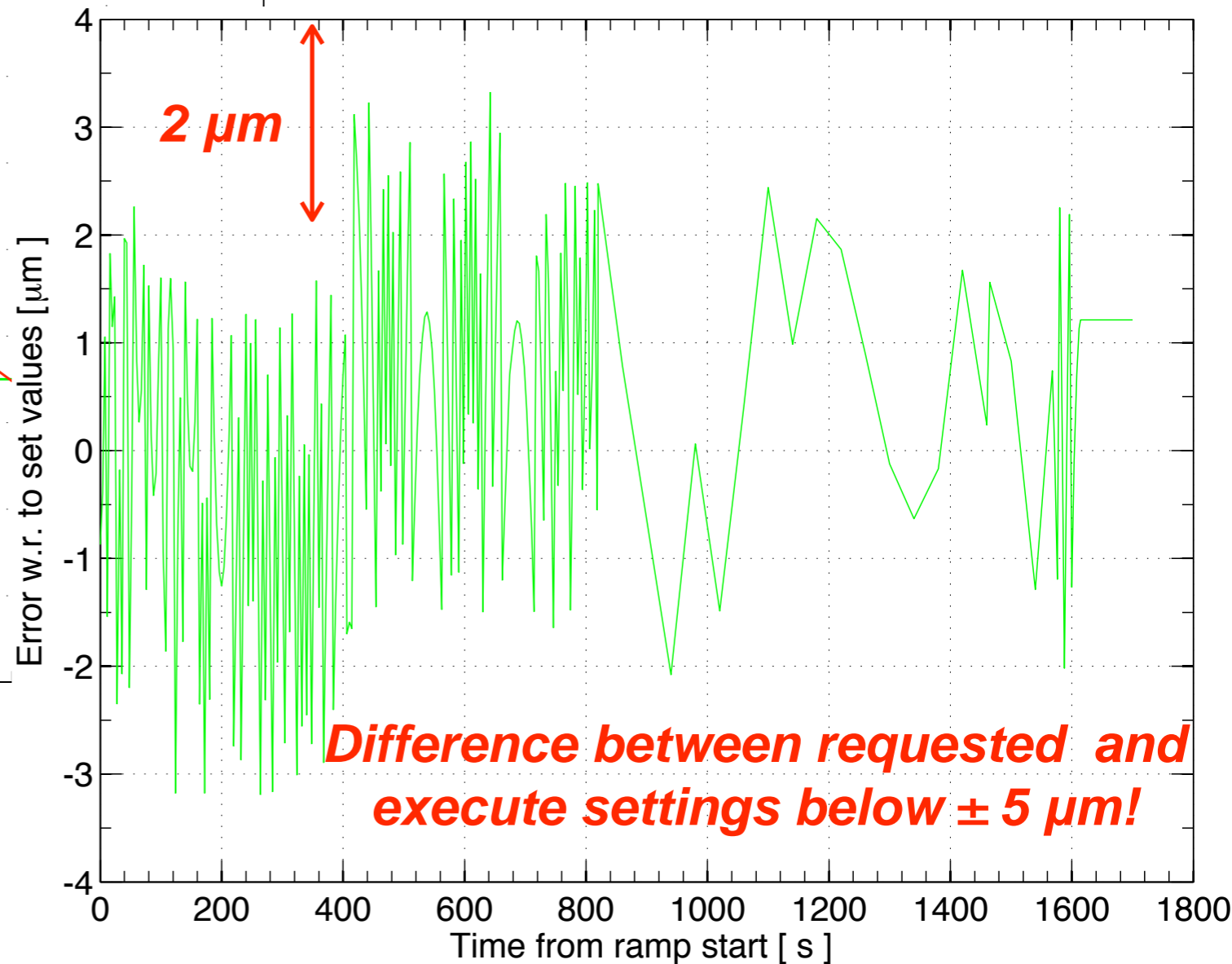
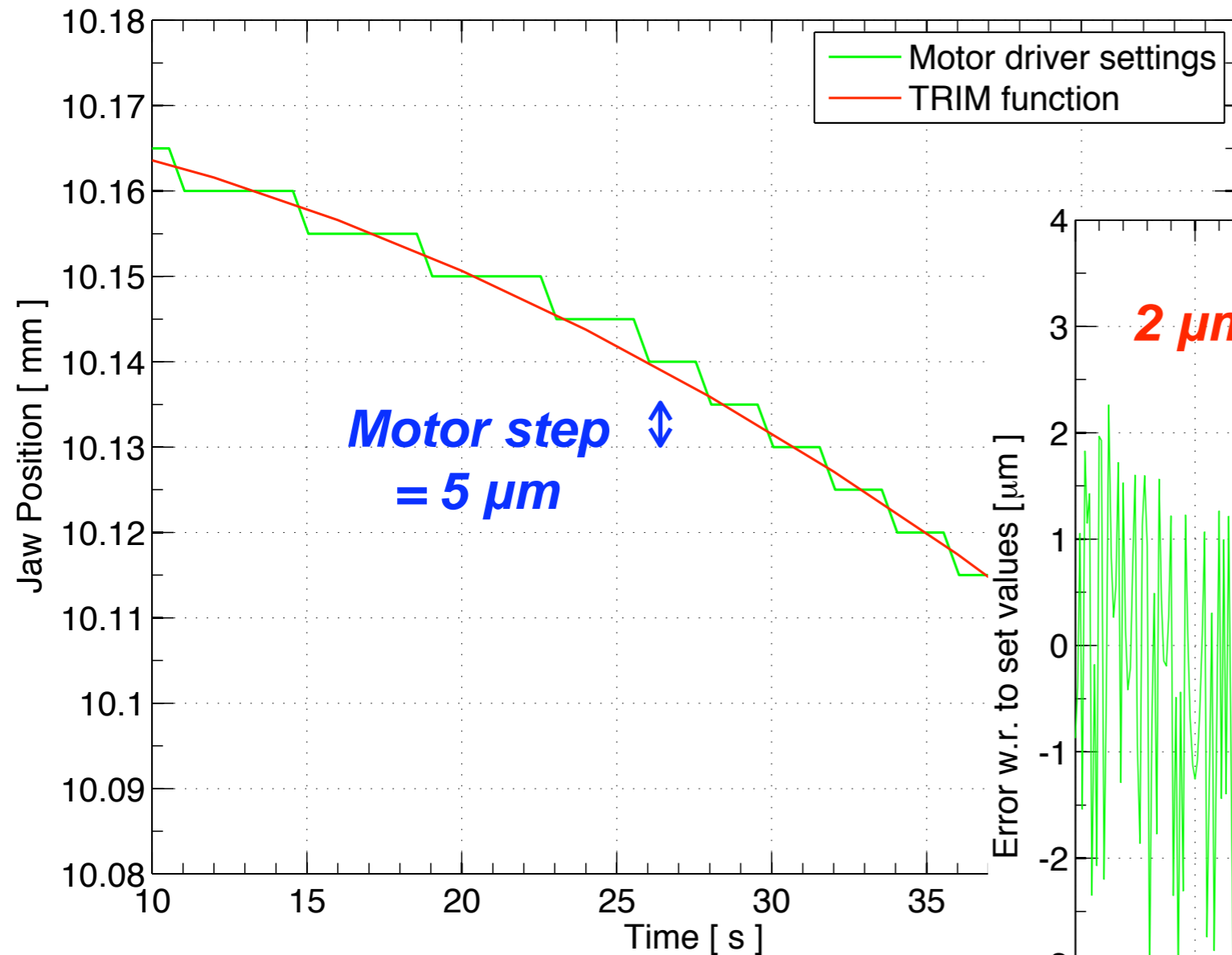
HW can do **100 times better (<1 ms)**, observed delays are determined by the read-back from the middle-ware.

Ongoing: synchronization with other accelerator systems (e.g., power converters, RF). No issue expected.



# Accuracy of function execution

Requested/executed settings vs. time

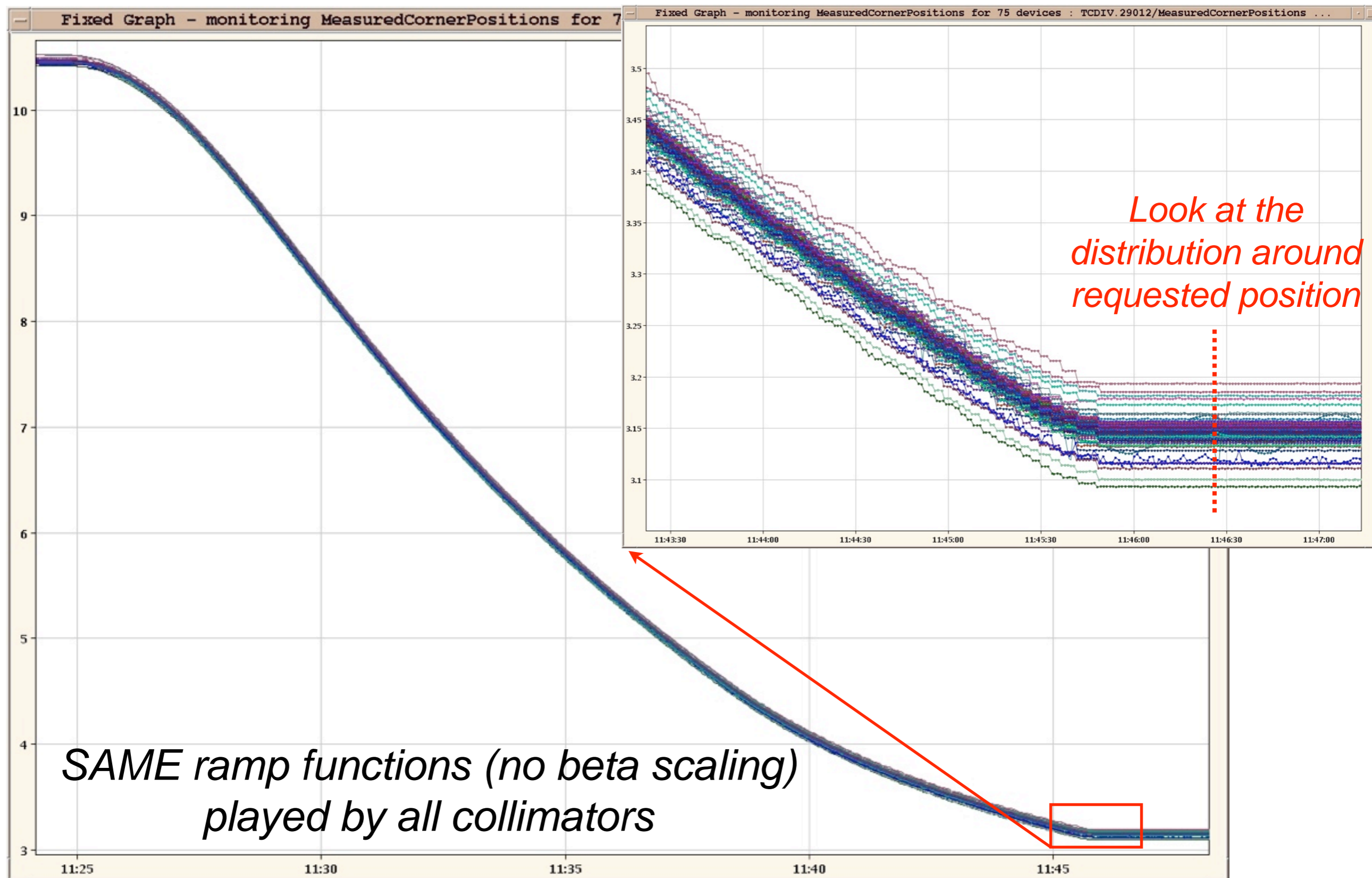


- Motor step = **5  $\mu\text{m}$**
- Operational motor speed = **2 mm/s**
- “Slow” functions are interpolated with the appropriate rate of step execution

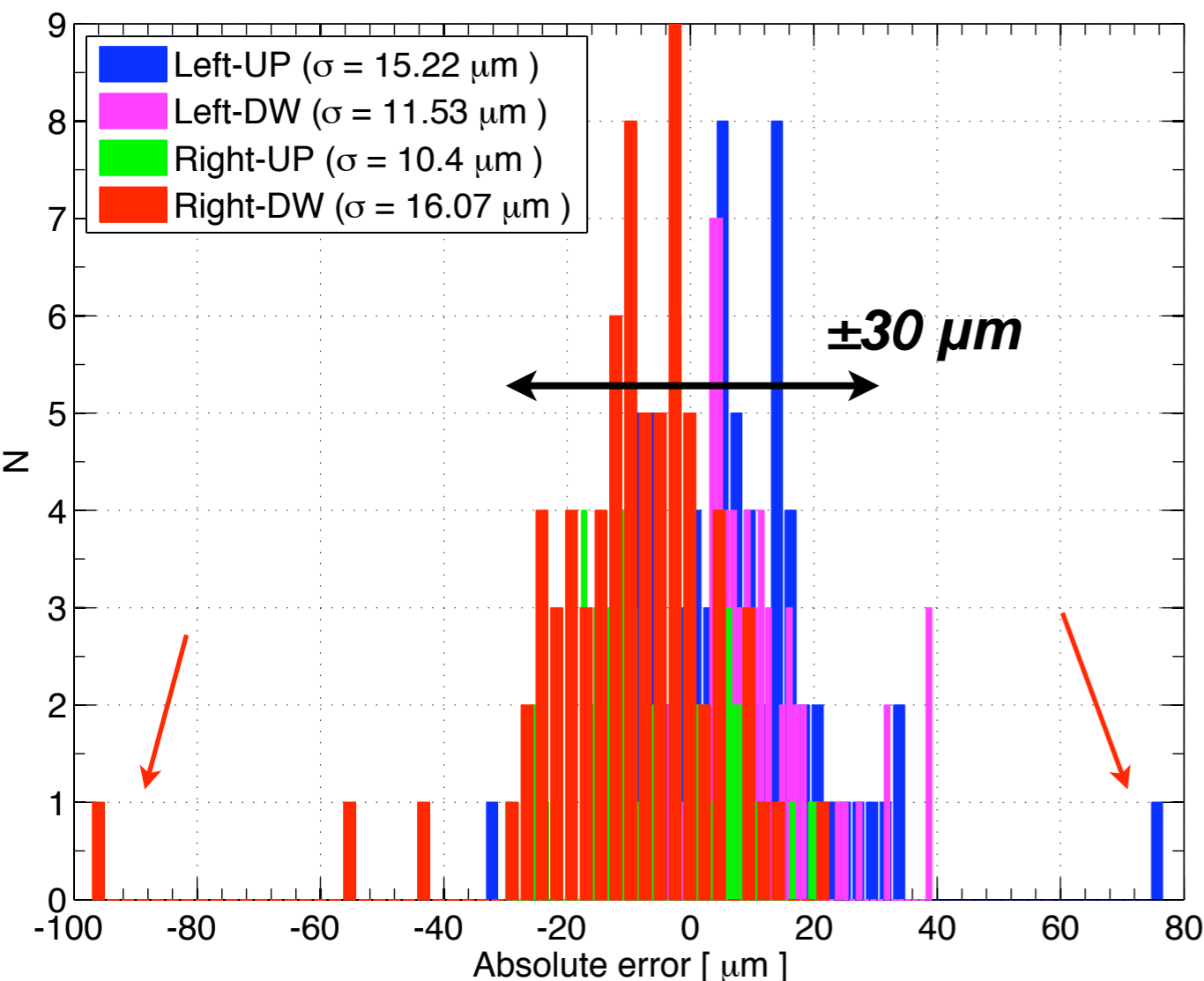
*Low-level implementation in the PXI system by A. Masi*

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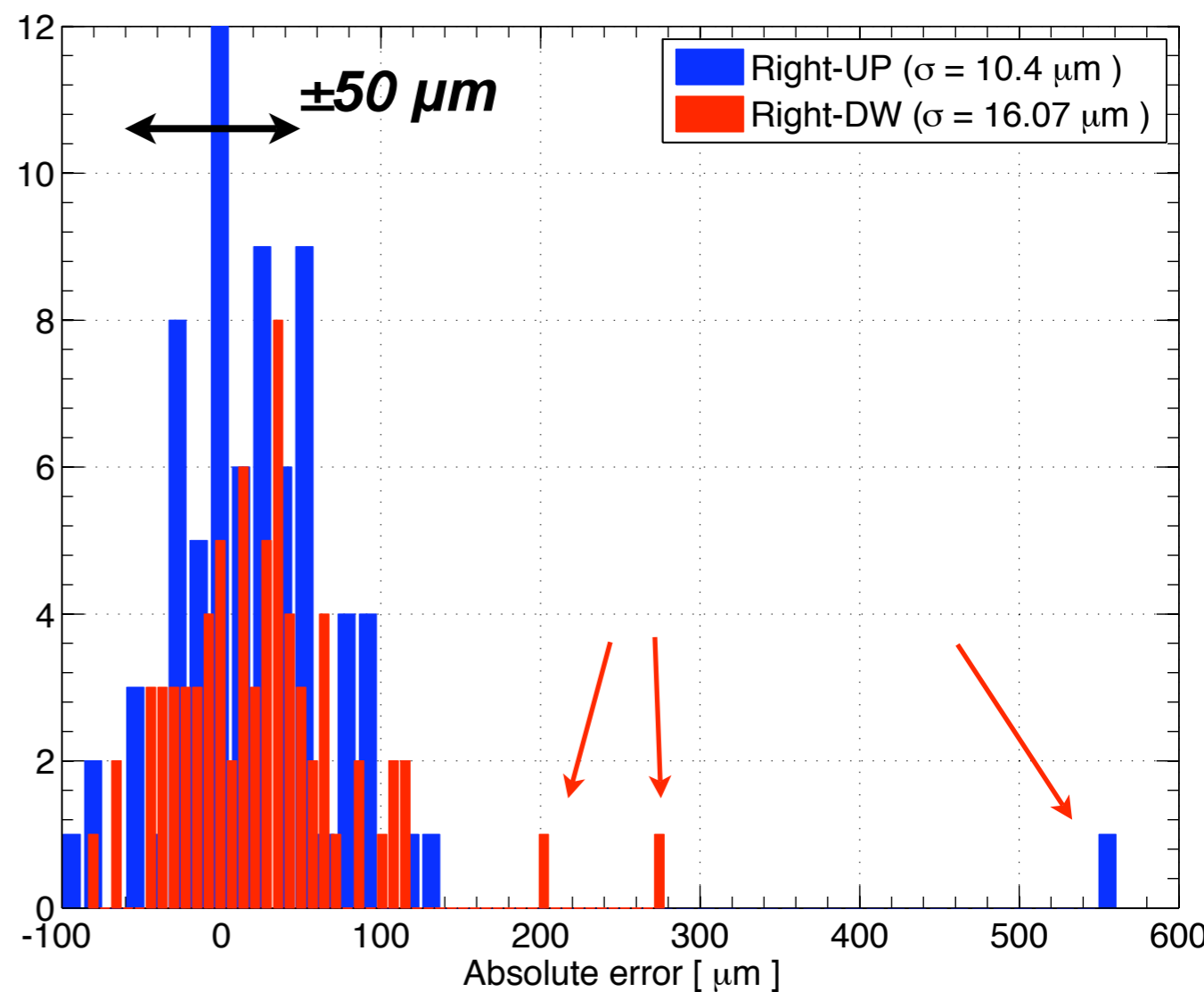
Position of one collimator axis versus time



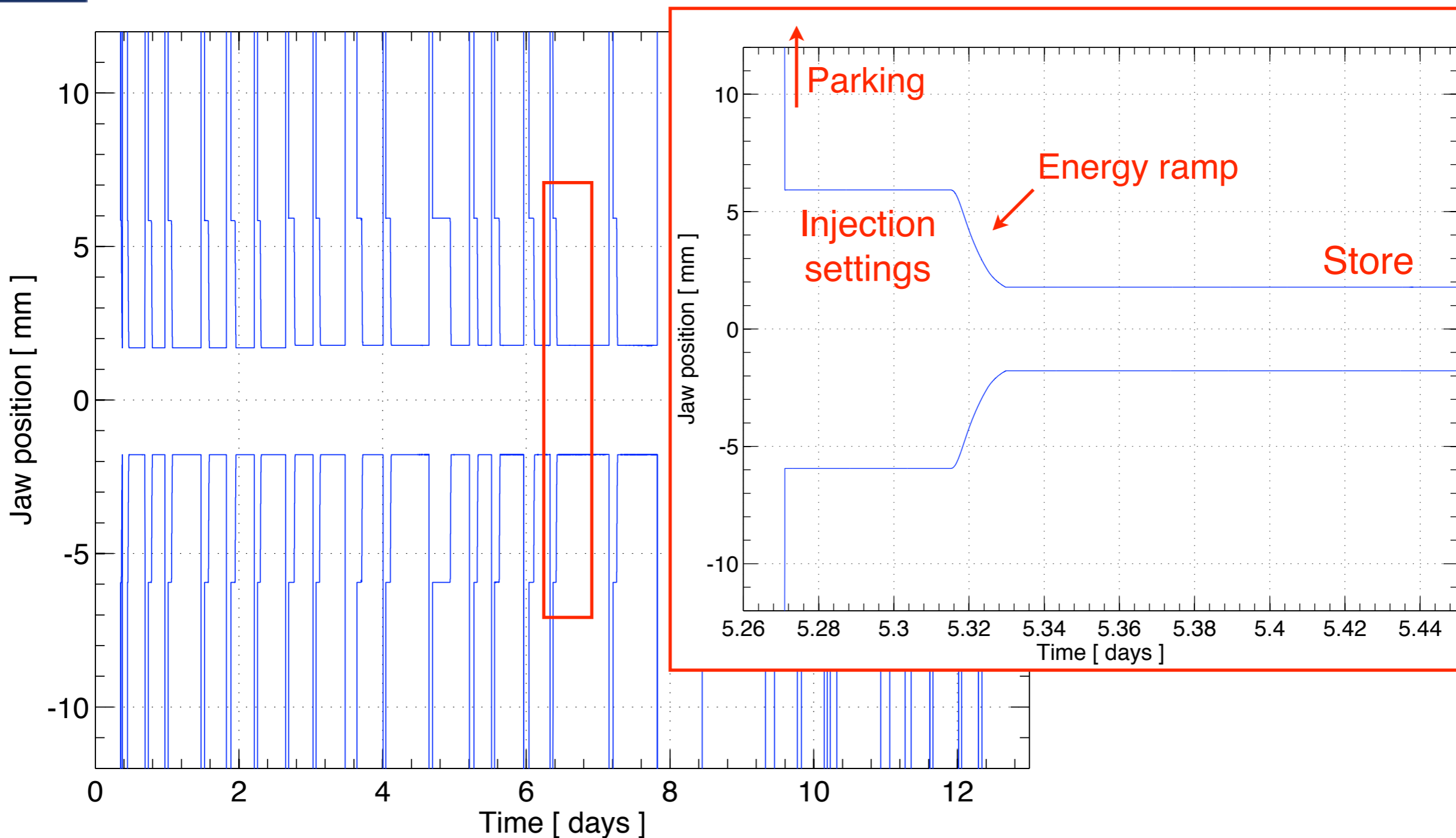
**Motor axes (300 sensors)**



**Gap measurements (150 sensors)**



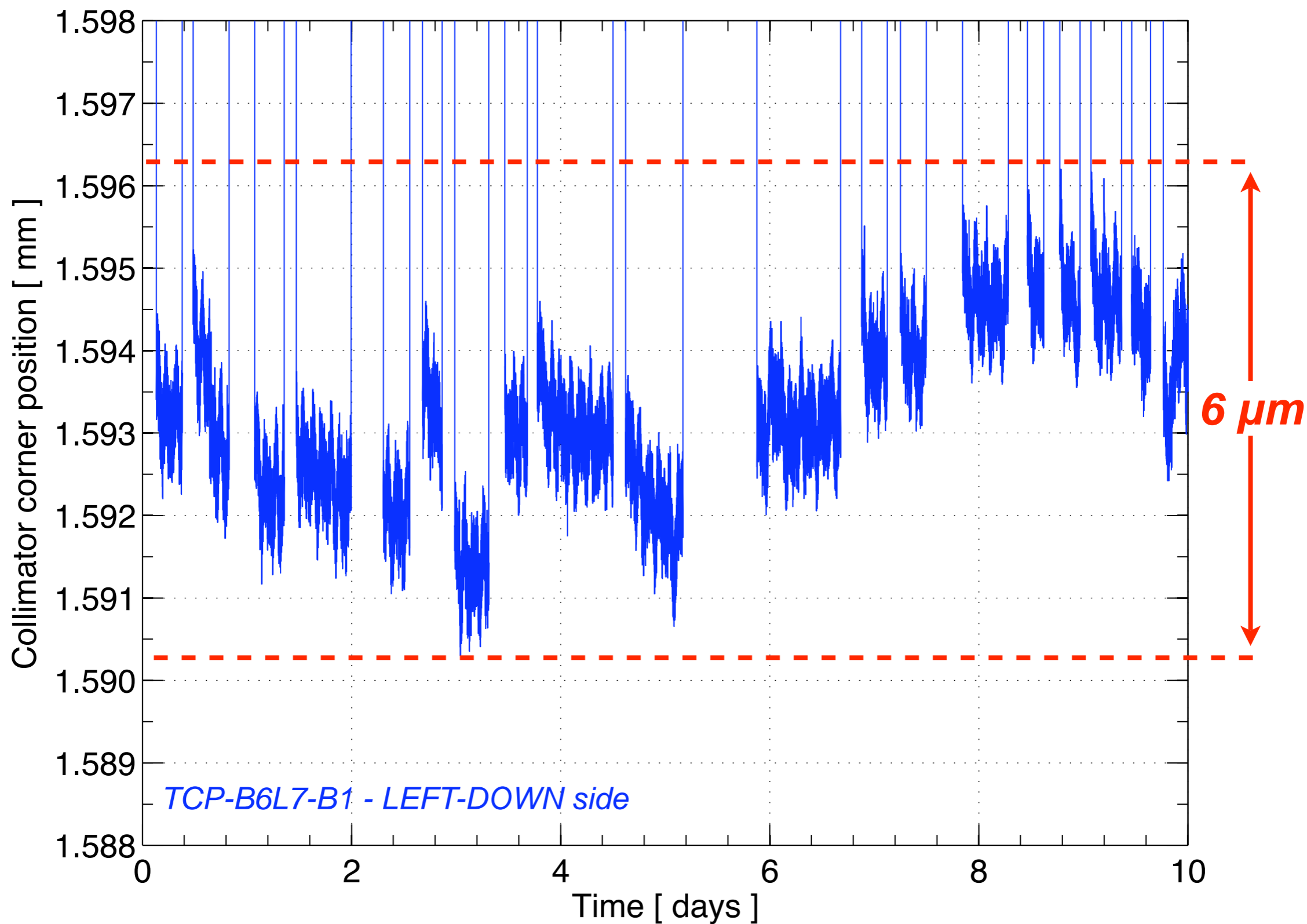
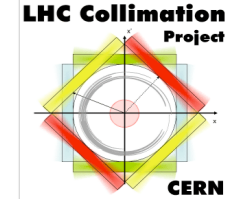
- Statistics on 75 collimators in the tunnel, end-of-ramp settings for physics store.
- A few “bad guys” that need re-calibration (or possibly replacement)
- Motor axes more precise because stroke is shorter (35 mm instead of 60 mm for gaps).
- Errors stay mainly CONSTANT during function execution: **REPRODUCIBILITY** will determine the system performance!



- Reproducibility tests: nominal operational cycles on **all 28 collimators in IP7**
- ~30 full cycles repeated during 10 days
- Real ramp functions to 5 TeV, nominal optics (different for each collimator)
- “Handed over” to operation crew (*special thanks to the LHC OP team*)



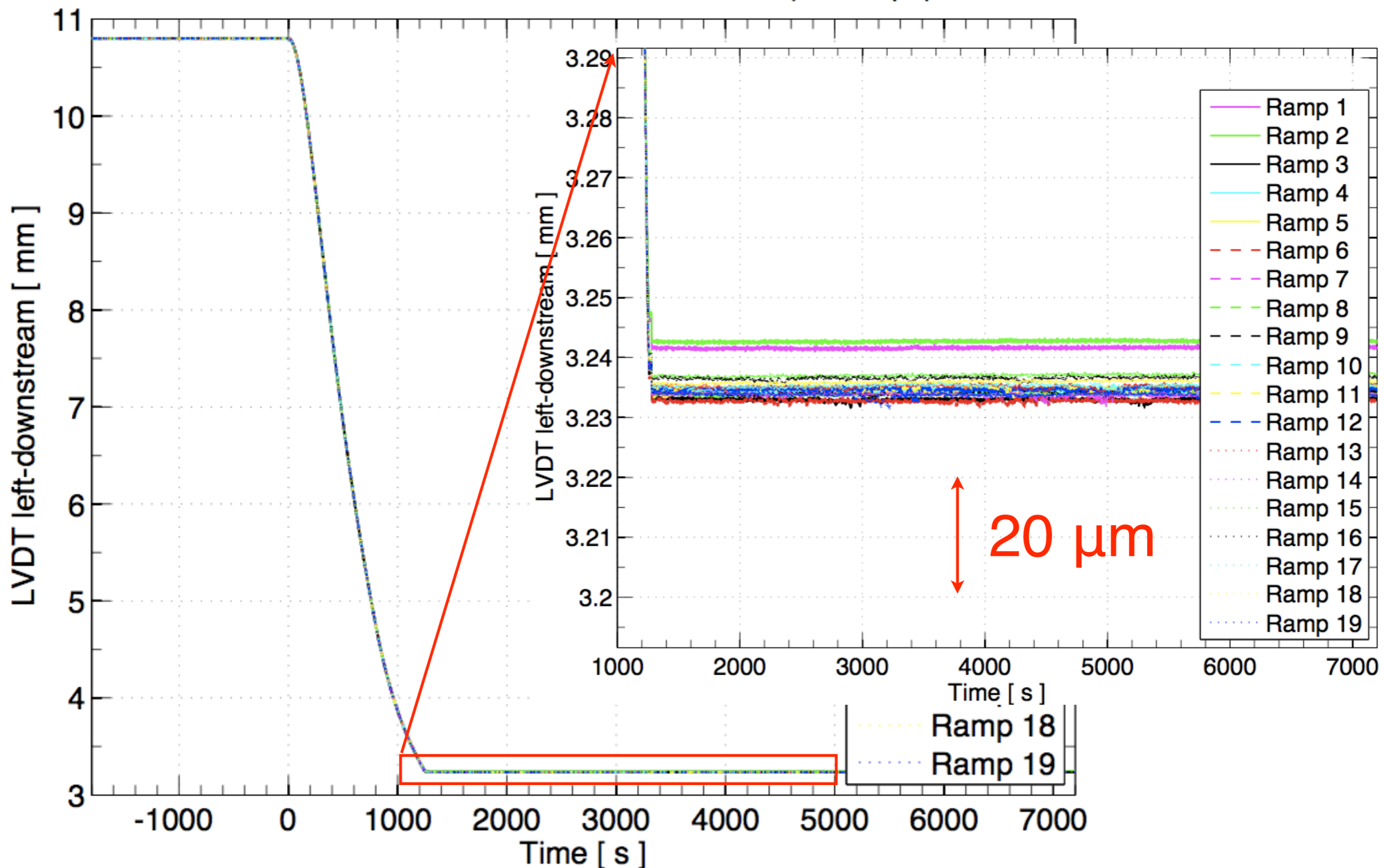
# Reproducibility of physics settings





# A few examples

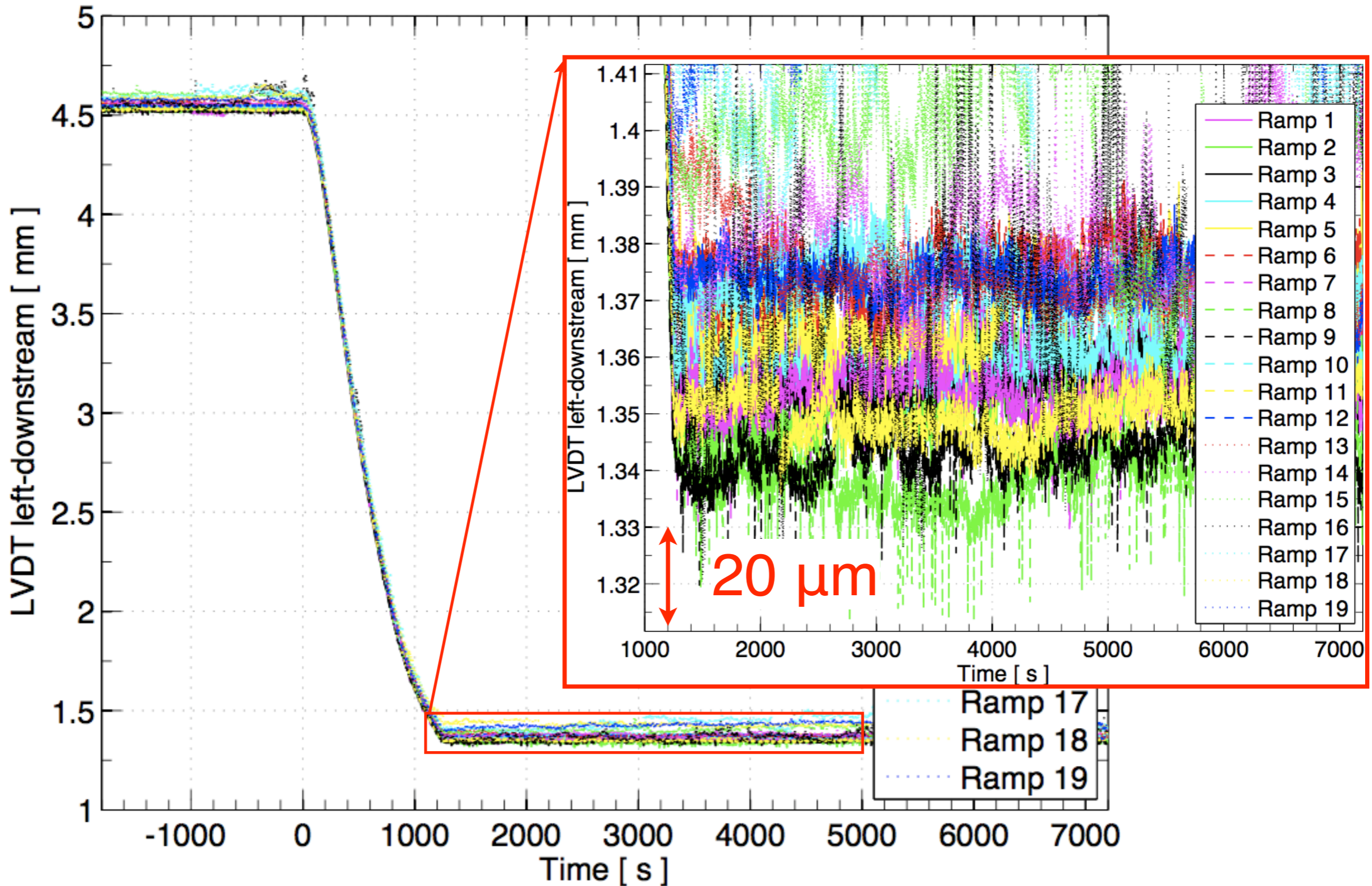
TCLA-B6L7-B2 / LVDT left-downstream (19 ramps)



*For each sensor (6 per coll), can put together all the ramp data*

# The worst case

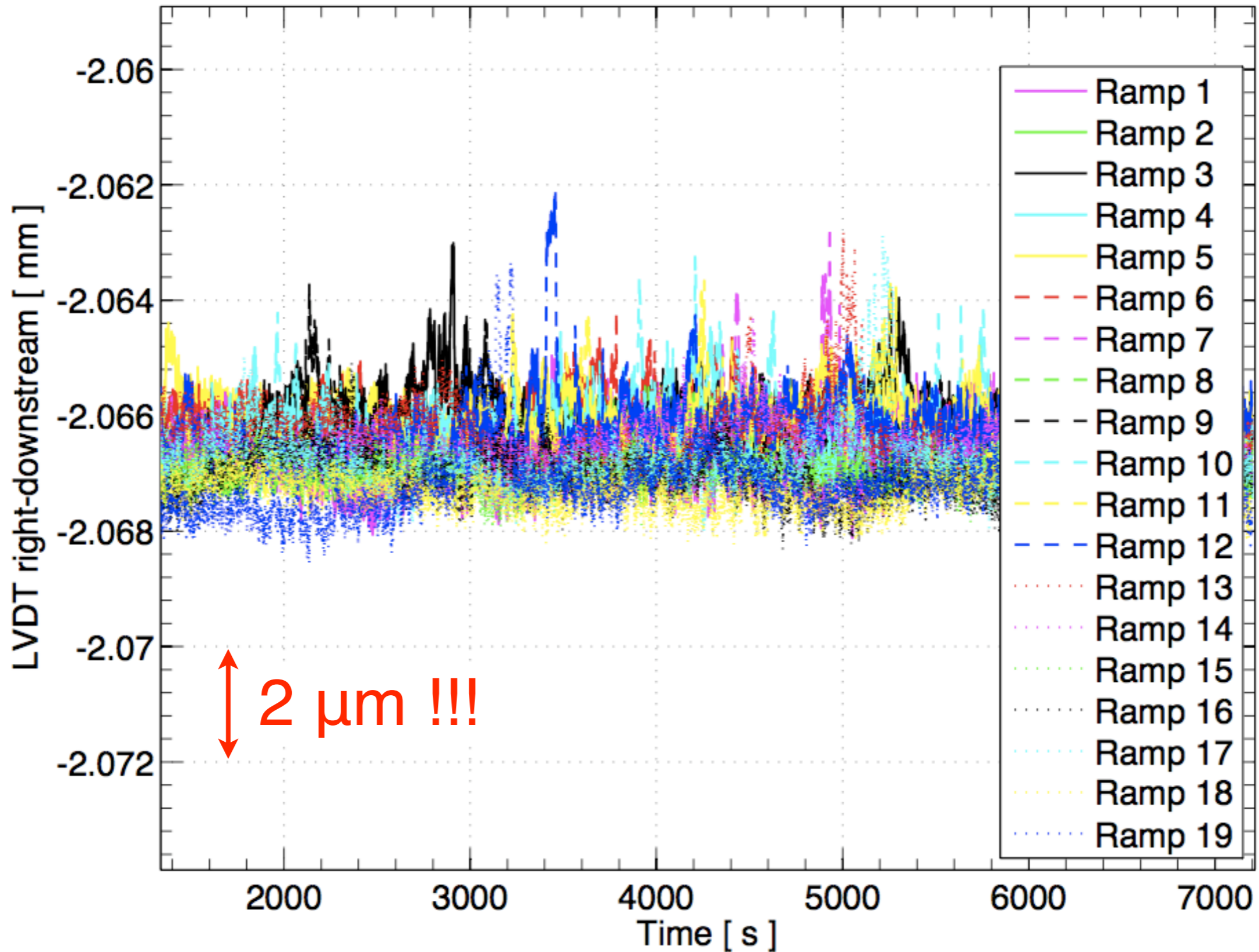
TCP-D6L7-B1 / LVDT left-downstream (19 ramps)



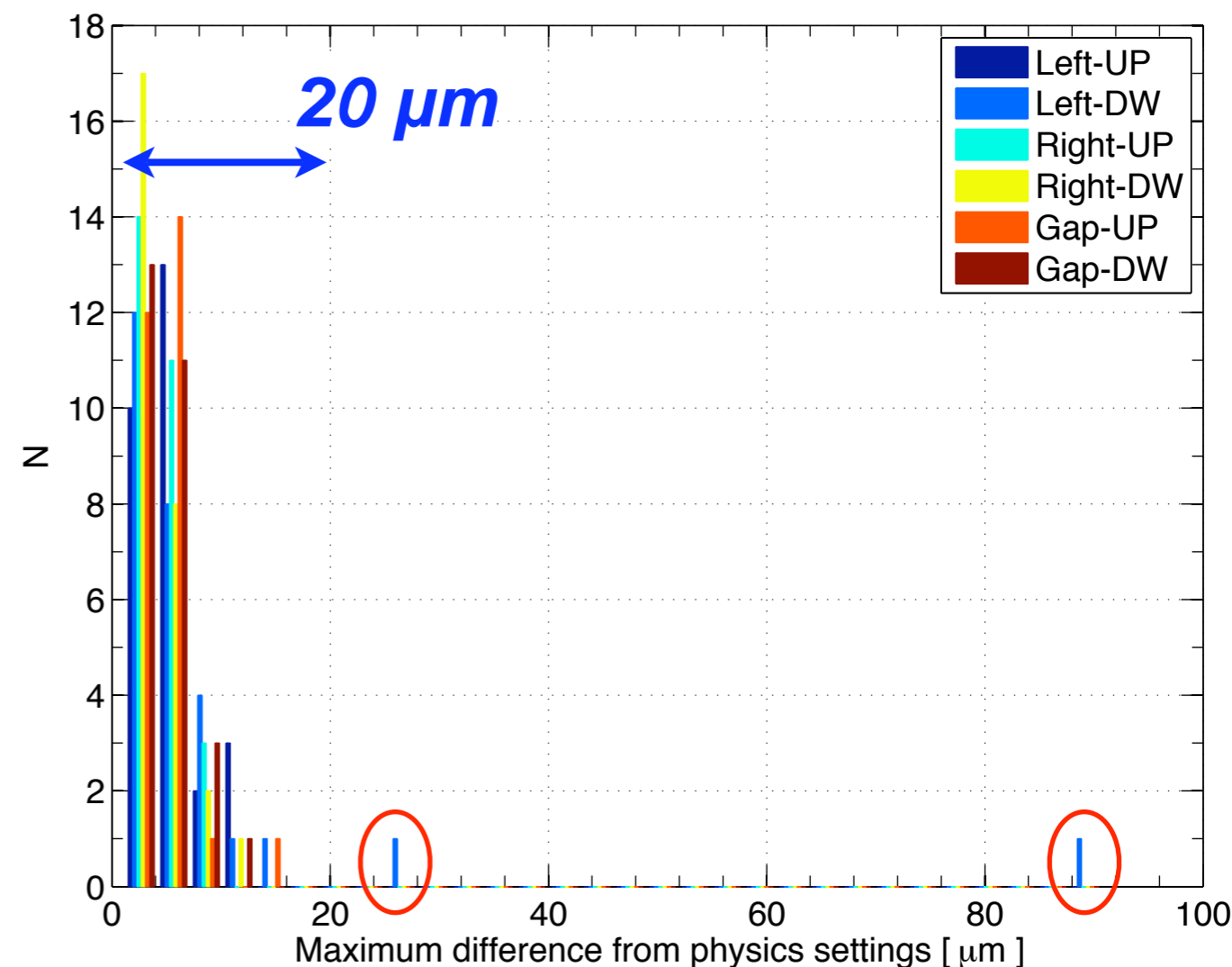
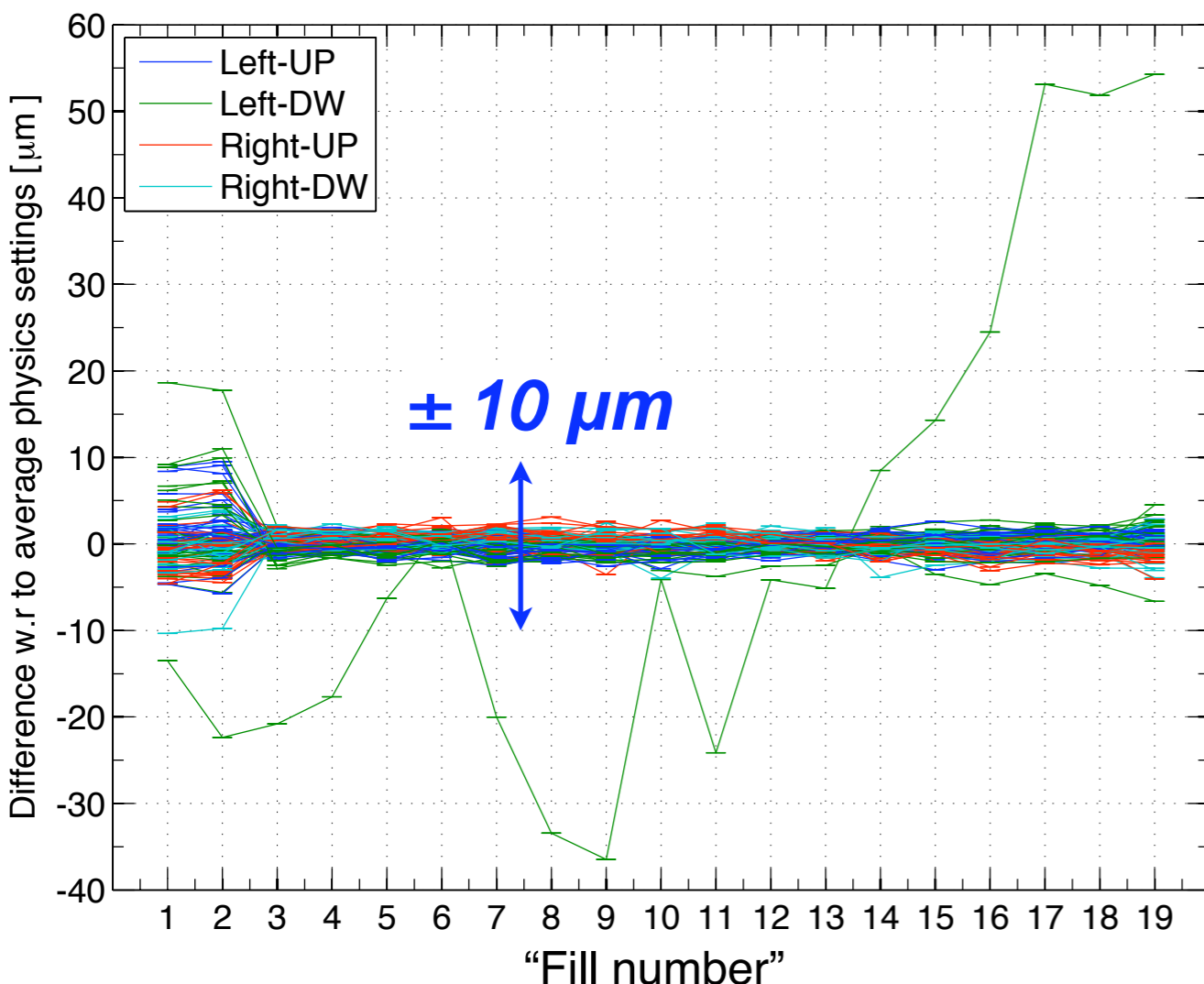


# The best case

TCLA-D6R7-B1 / LVDT right-downstream (19 ramps)





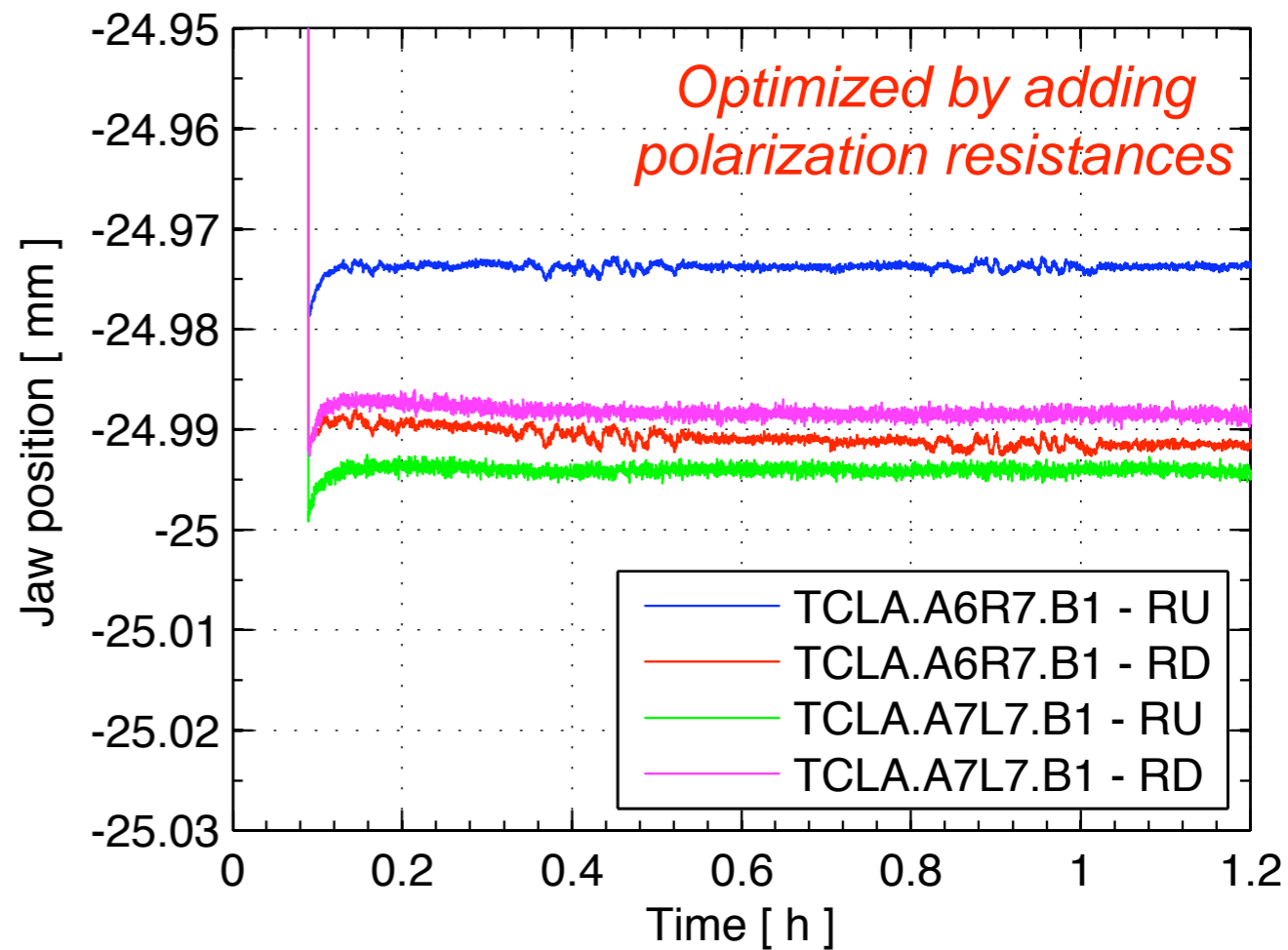
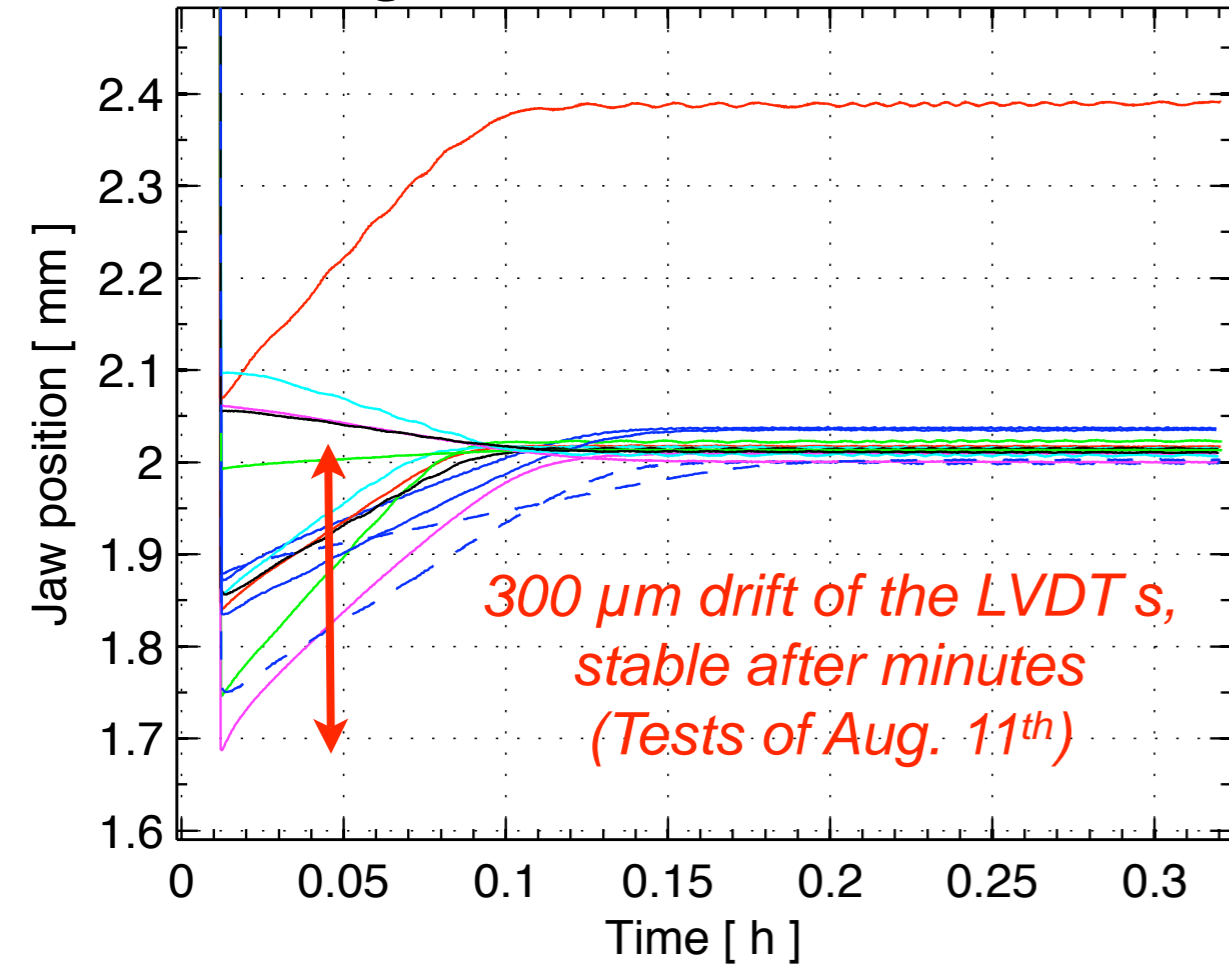


- 28 collimators (both beams of IR7)
- 112 stepping motors
- 168 position sensors (LVDT's)
- 19 consecutive nominal ramps over 10 days

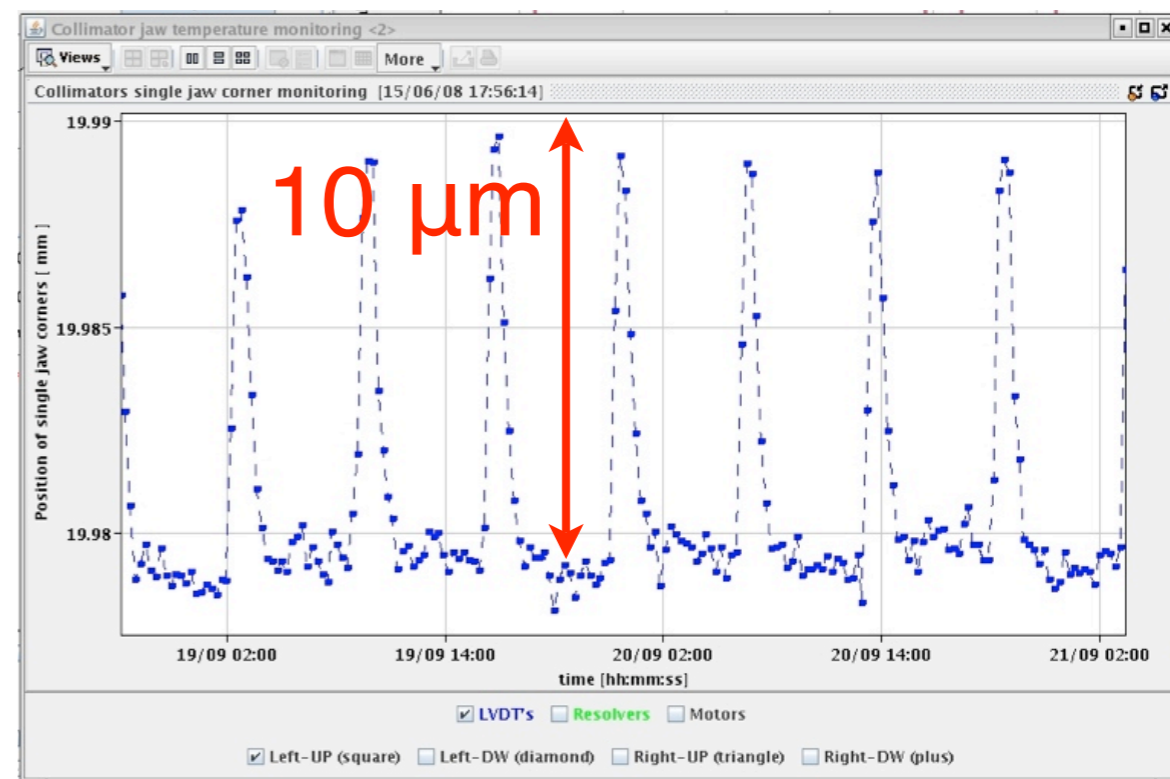
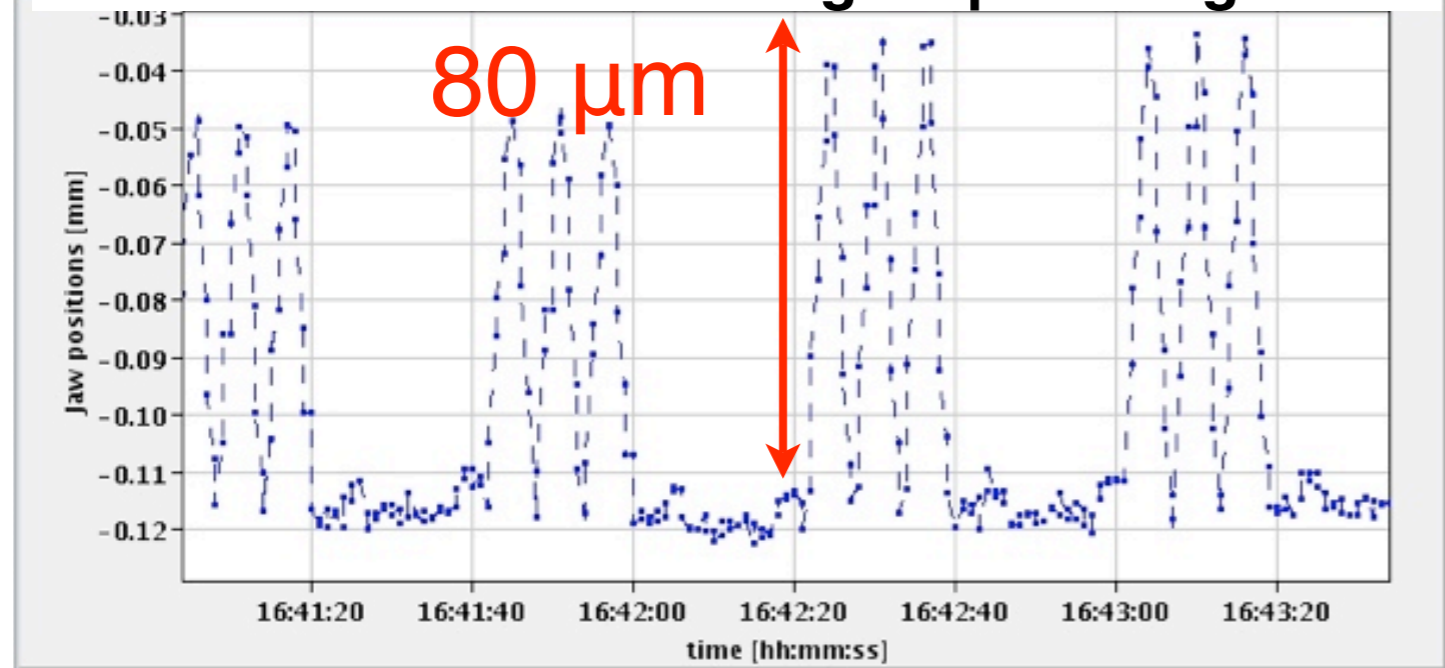
Specs on reproducibility of settings are achieved:  
 measured **BELOW 20 μm!!**

# Isolated problems encountered

## Signal drift of LVDT sensors



## EM interference with the transfer line collimators from magnet powering



4 motor axes and 2 gap: **4 limit functions** each (dump/warn IN and OUT)

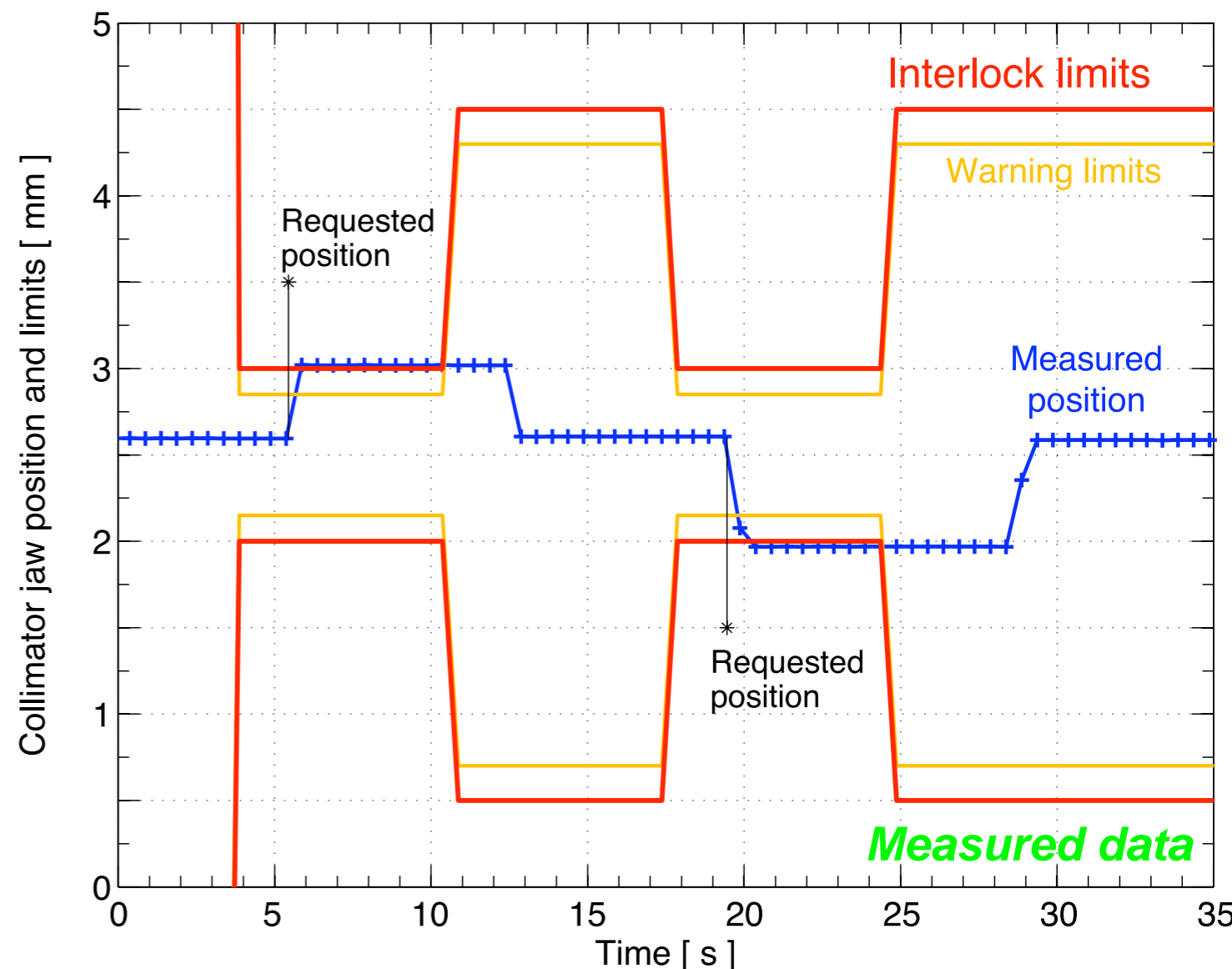
*24 limit functions per collimator*

In addition, *2 energy limits* for the gaps

Violation of tolerance: (1) stop the movement, (2) system internal fault and (3) activation of the **beam interlock**.

As a part of the system cold-check out, **ALL the degrees of freedom** were verified with the final interlock chain

~ 30 s per axis, 5 min per collimator!



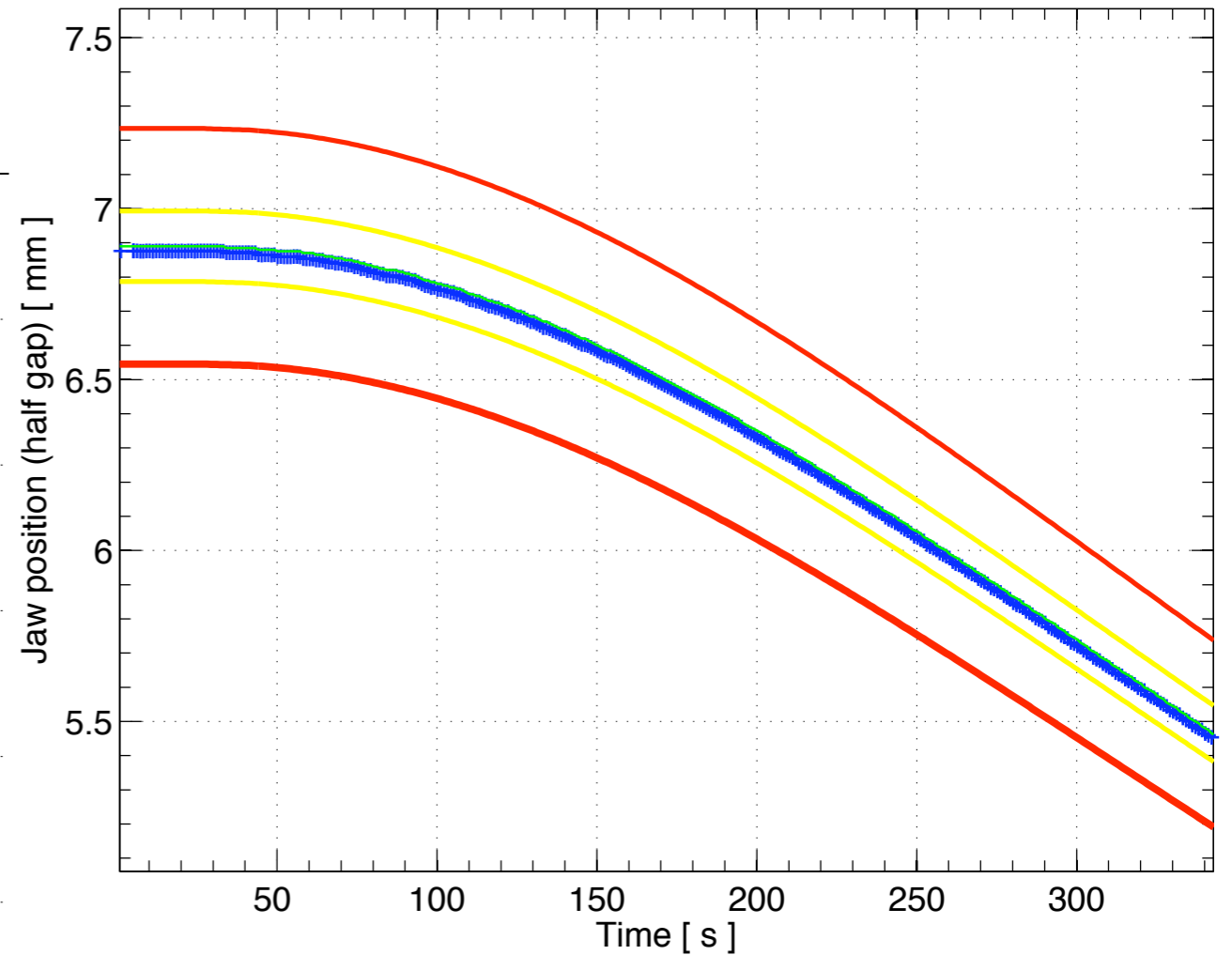
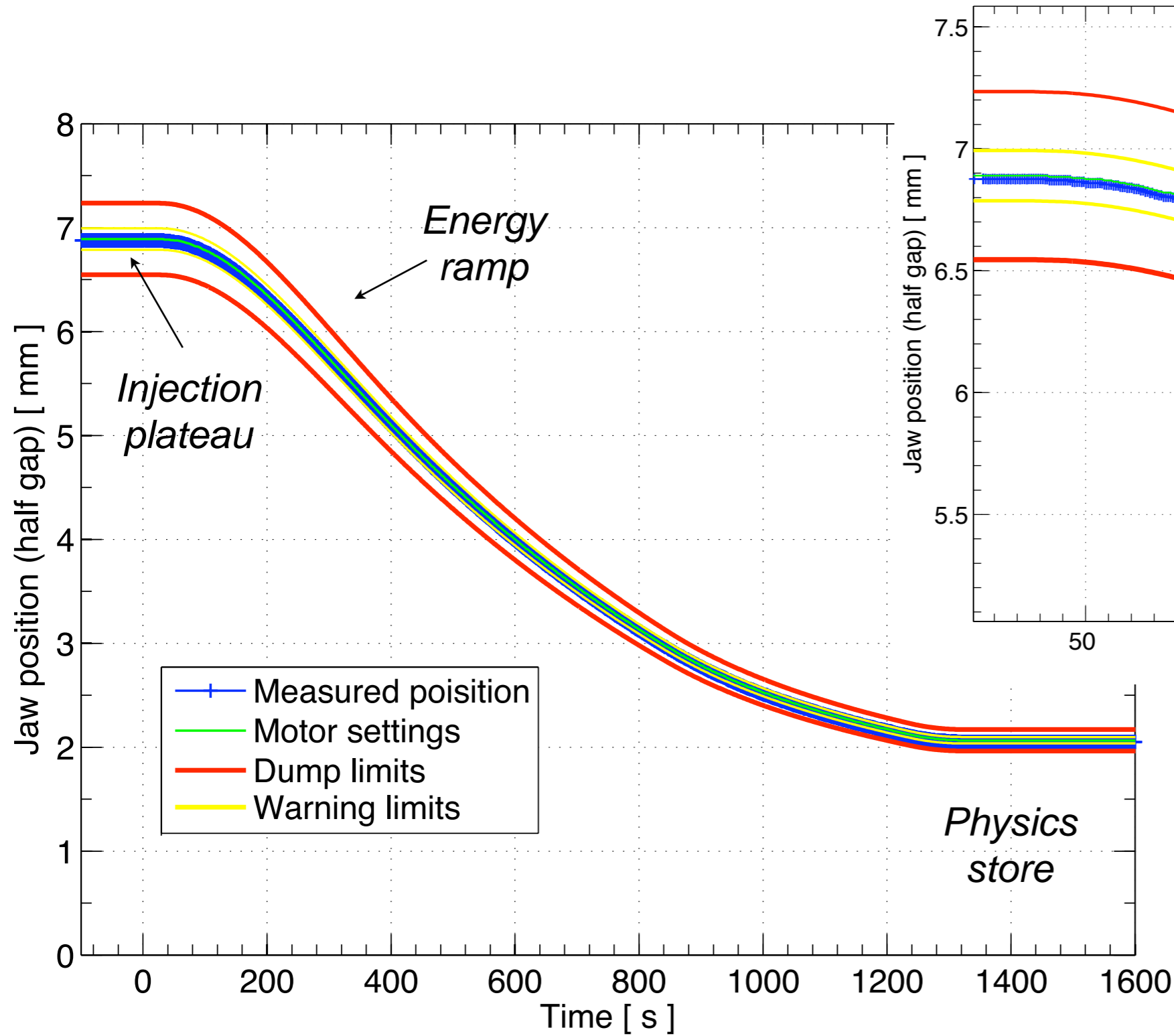
Sequence **automatized** and **implemented** in the collimator application software

Results **documented** as a part of the machine protection validation

Similarly, all the interlocks for the **403 temperature sensors** were also verified

Outcome: A few problems encountered and solved.

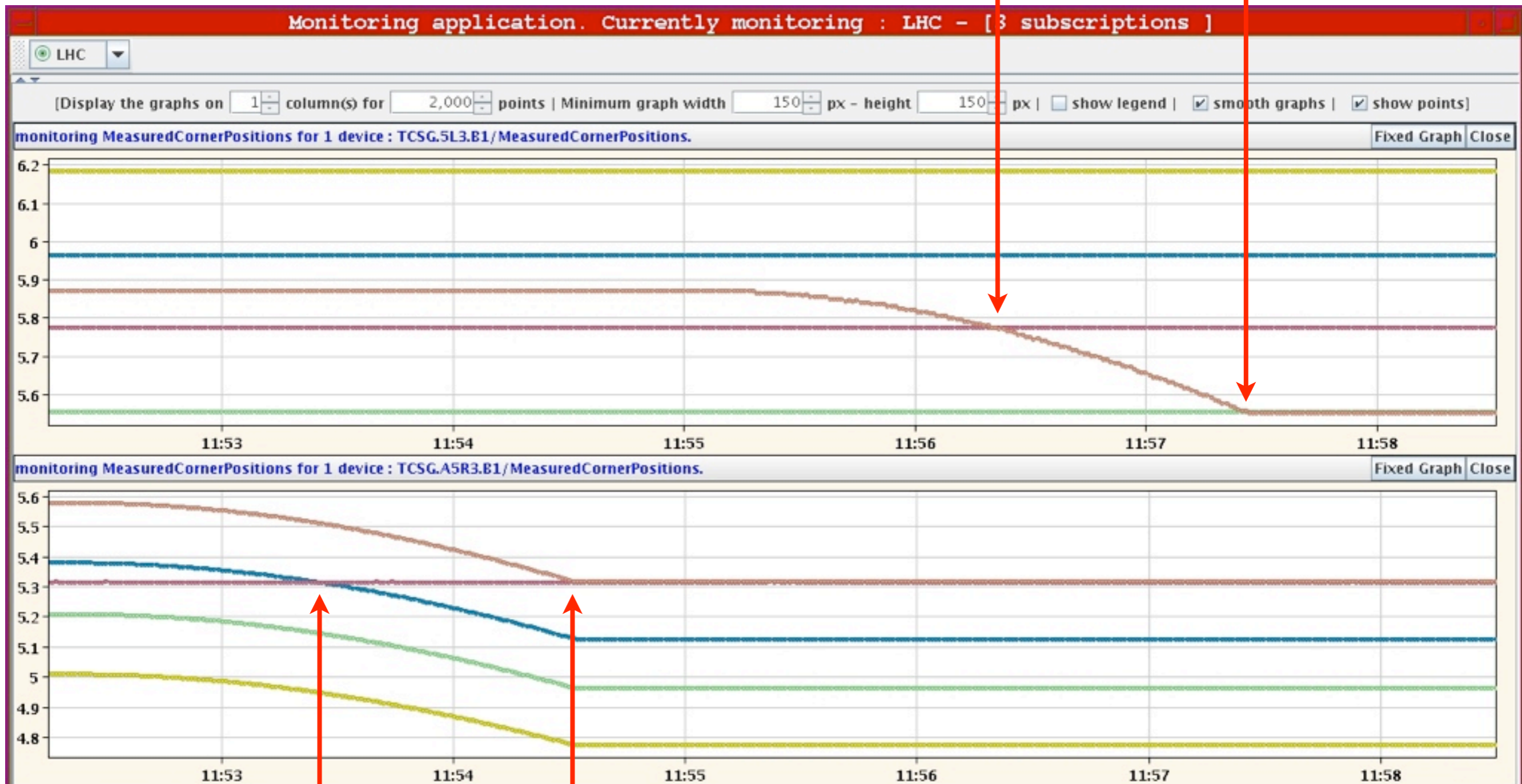
**Functionality FULLY validated. Ready for higher stored energies!**



- Individual system tests performed with several collimators in the tunnel
- Synchronization with the LHC power converters
- Reproducibility studies will tell how tight can we set the operational window



# Systematic checks of limit functions



*Warning!*

*Beam dump!*

*Various case studies for failure cases: settings or limits do not start as expected...*

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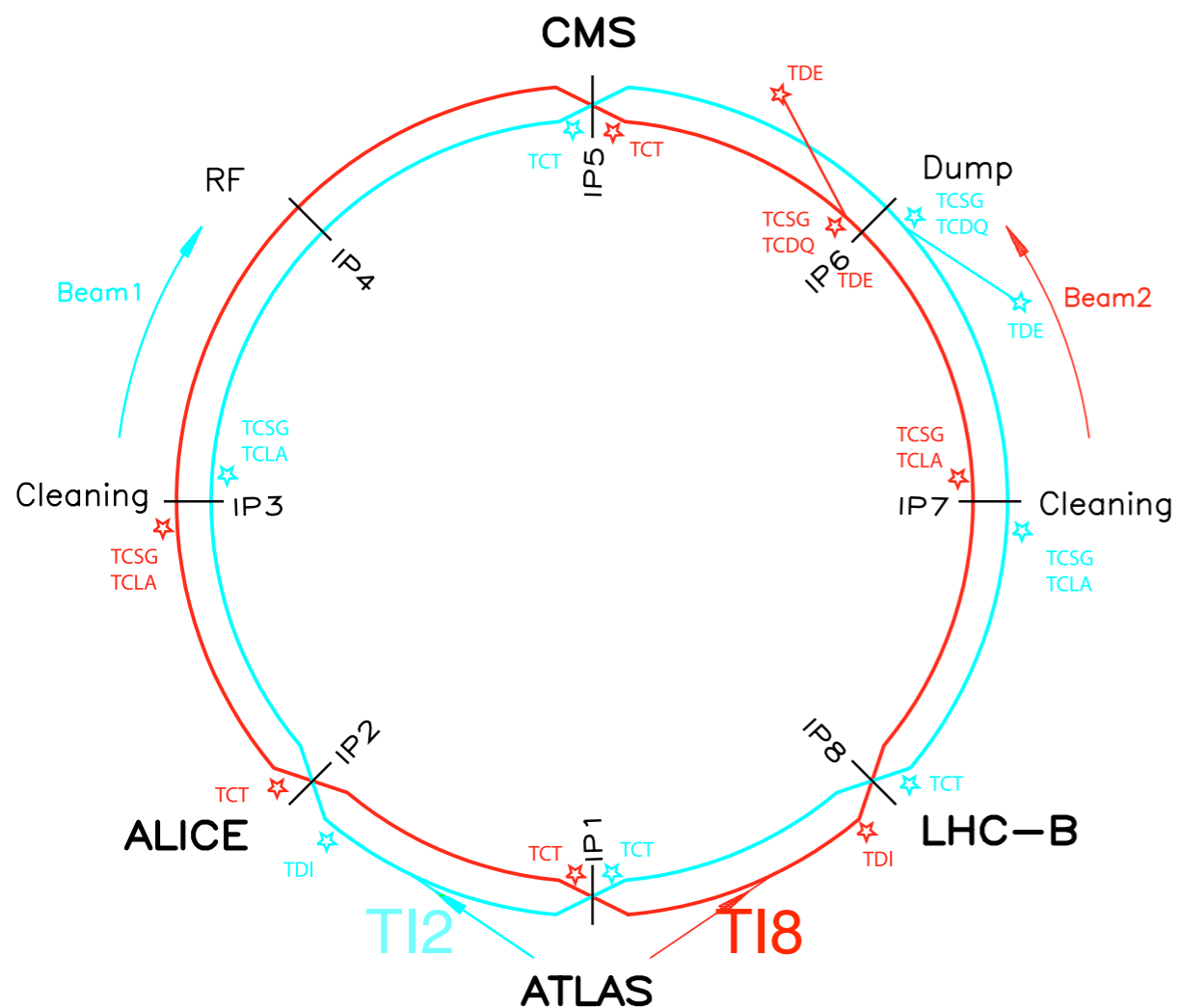
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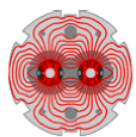
## Conclusions



- 1) Beam commissioning of three transfer line collimators in TI2 (June 2008)
- 2) Various “synchronization” and circulating beam tests in the LHC:

- Collimators used to stop the beam during 4 synchronization tests (Aug./Sep.)
- and in beam commissioning of Set. 10th

Not possible to beam-commission the cleaning role with circulating beam.



## LHC Performance Note 1

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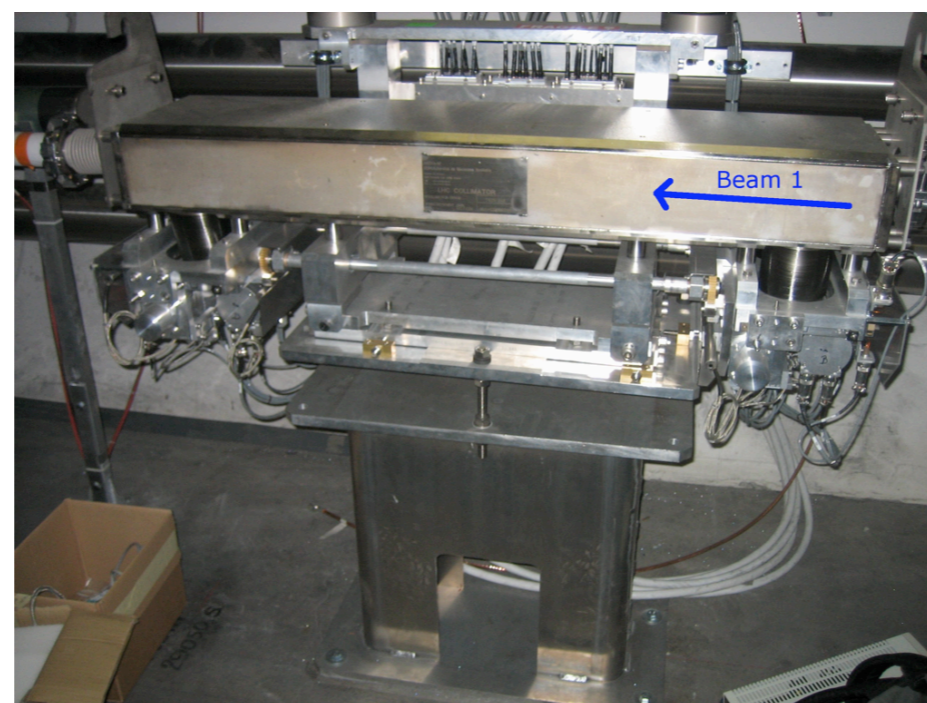
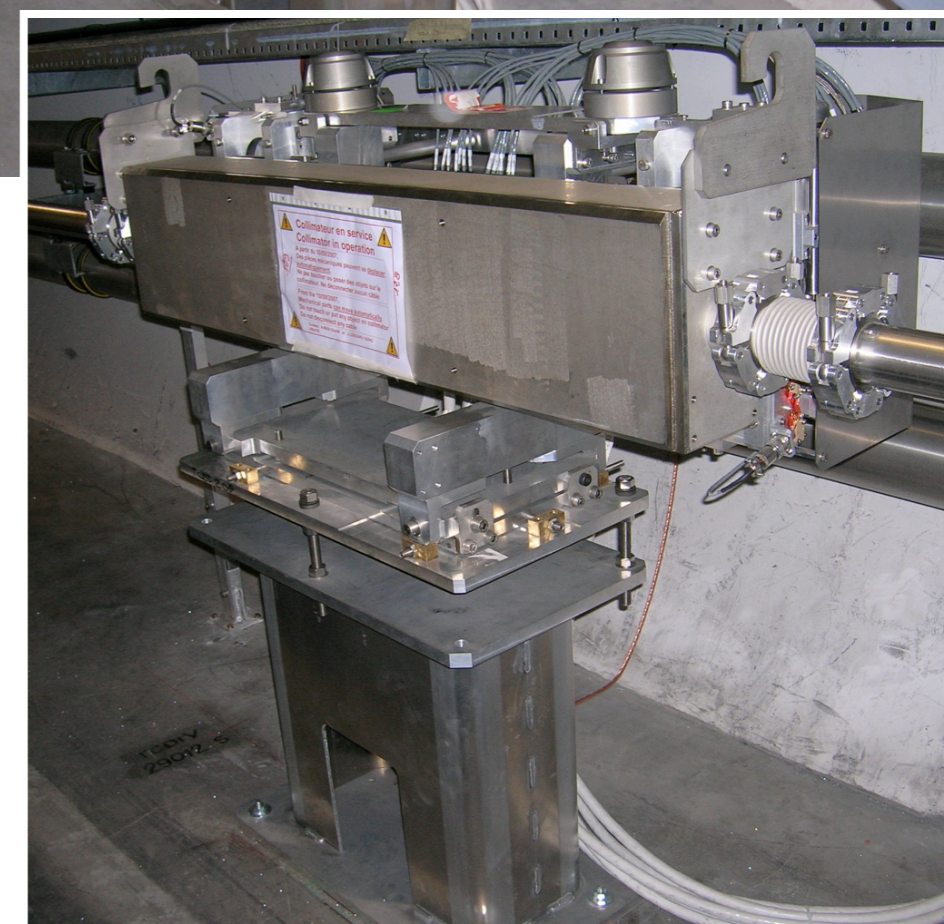
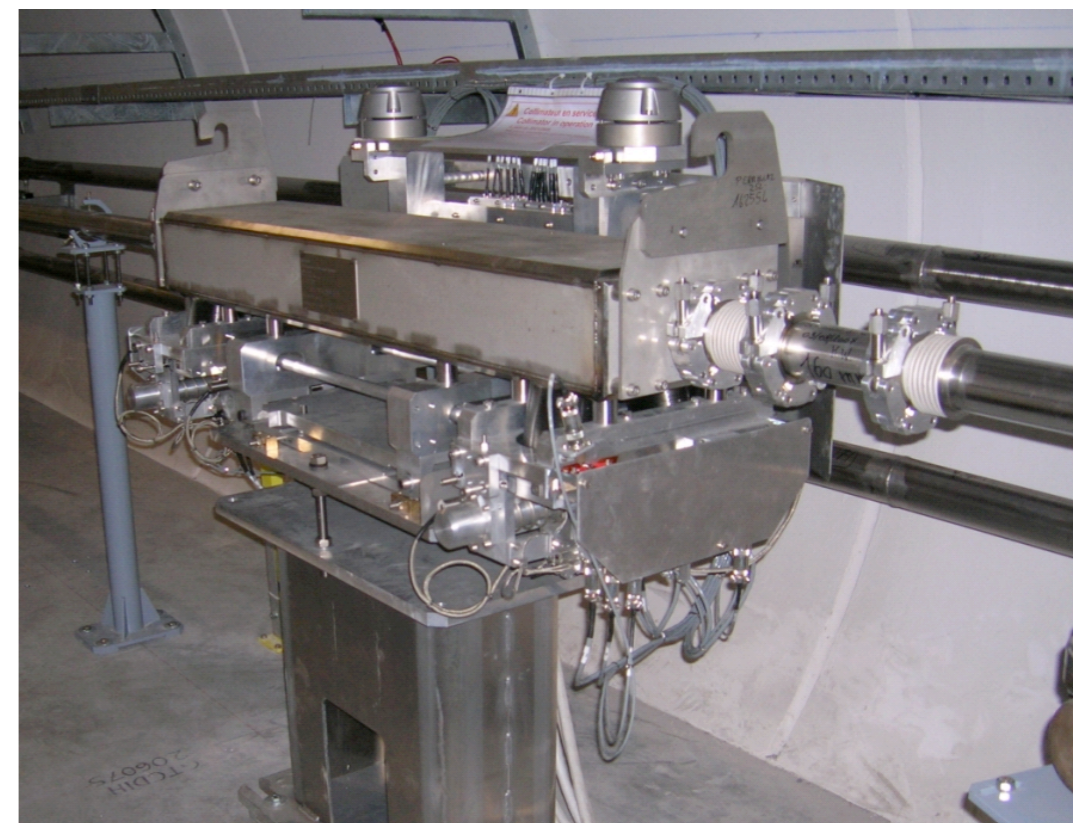
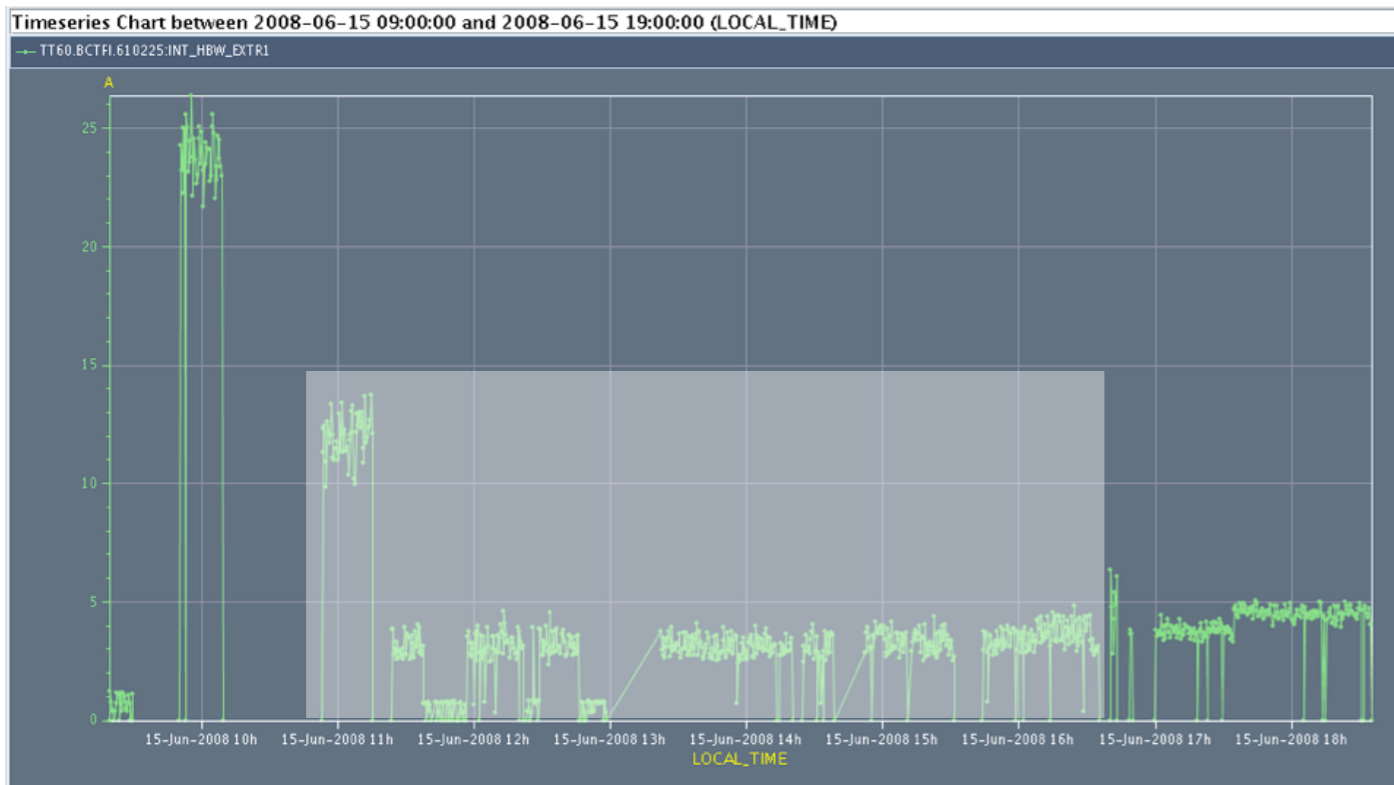
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### The LHC Injection Tests

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Date	Test Outline
8-11 August	Beam 1 through sector 23
22-25 August	Beam 2 though sector 78, beam 1 through sector 23
5-8 September	Beam 2 through sectors 78,67, beam 1 through sectors 23, 34, 45
9 September	Preparation for 10 <sup>th</sup> September – beam 1 through sectors 23, 34, 45
10 September	Beam 1 and beam 2 around the whole circumference of the LHC





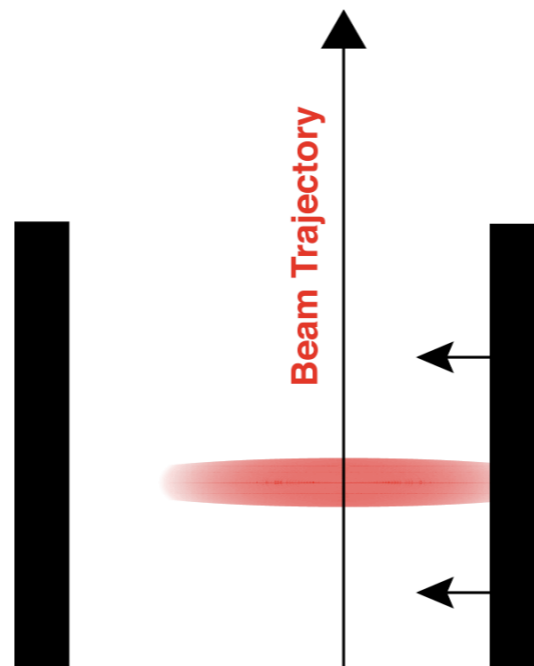
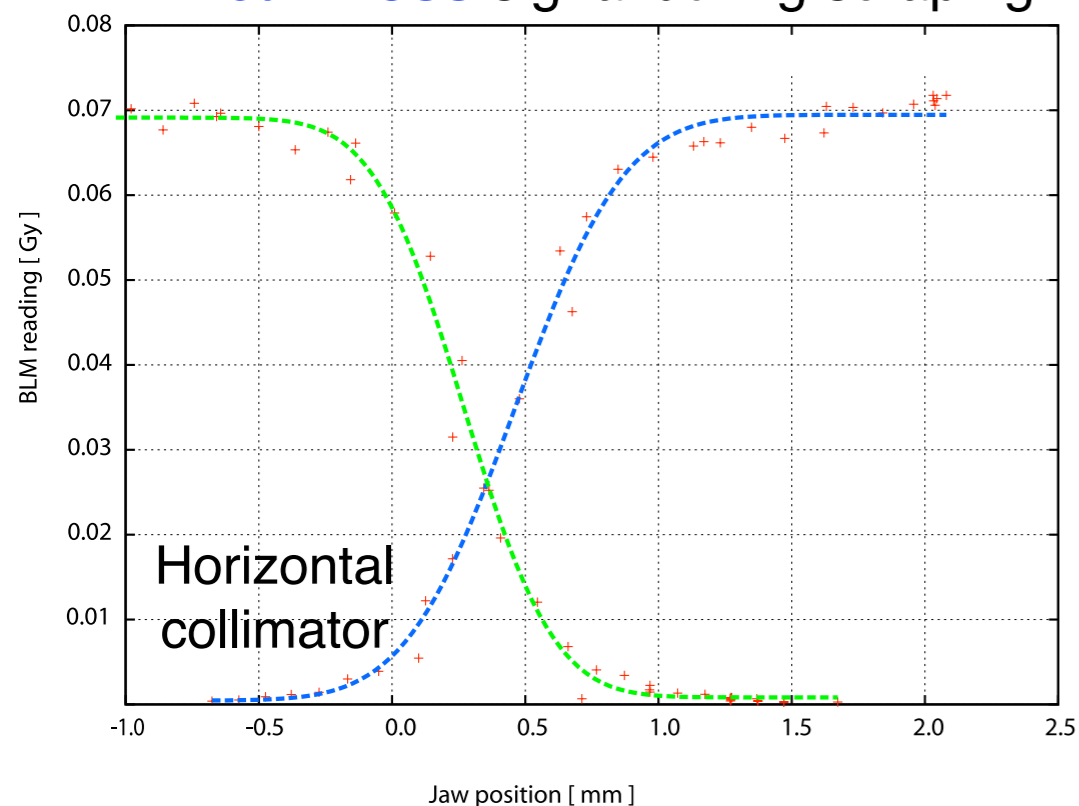
## Beam commissioning of **THREE TCDI collimators in T12**

Beam conditions:  
single and multi-bunches,  
 $\sim 5 \times 10^{10}$  p per bunch  
Limited time available

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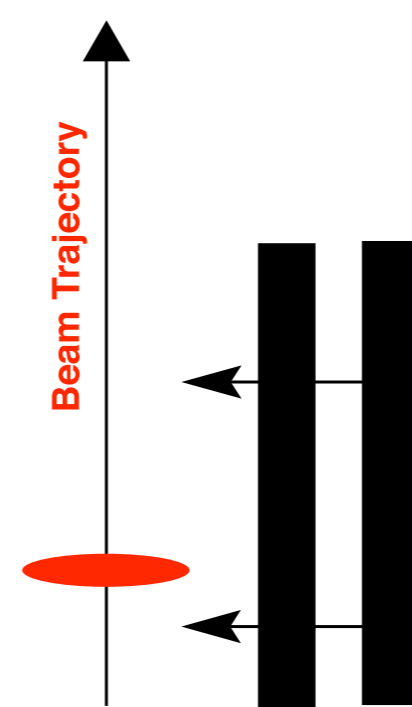
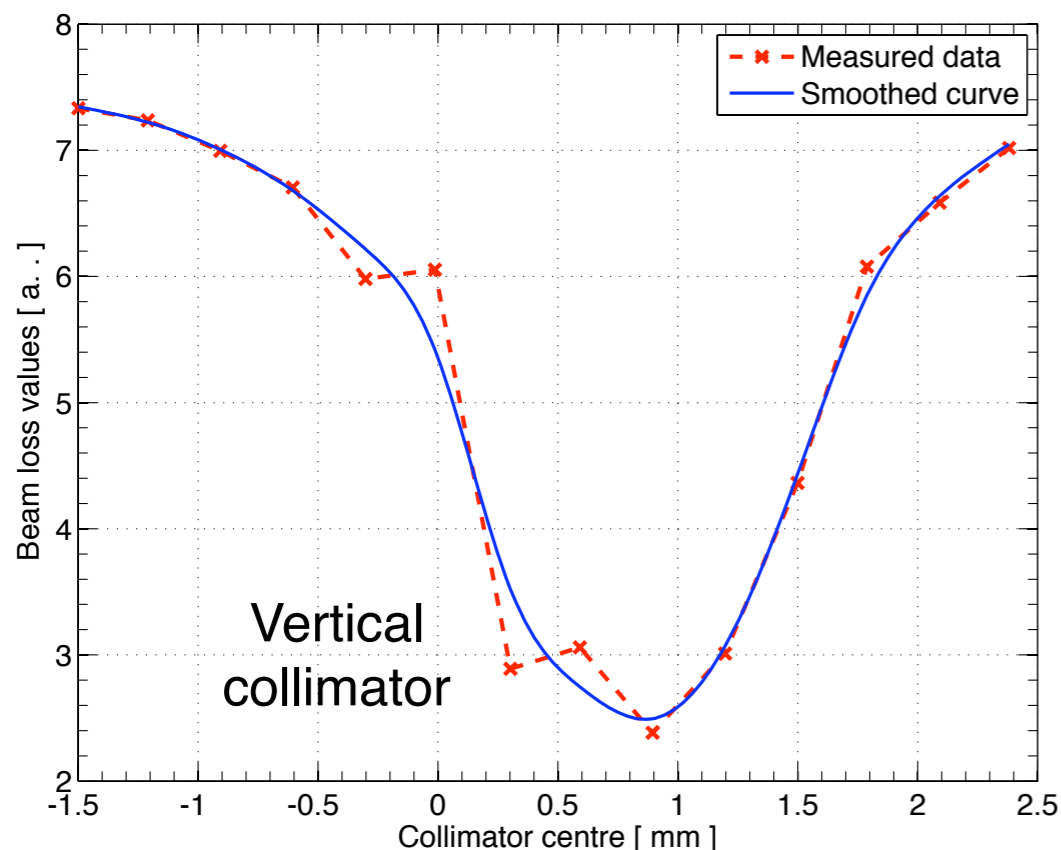
**Beam loss** signal during scraping



**Beam scraping** based on the reading of the beam loss monitors.

**Beam centre** and **beam sizes** at the collimator were measured.

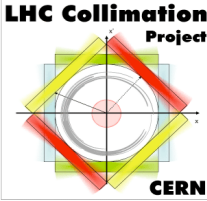
Accuracy below **50  $\mu\text{m}$** , results in agreement with other beam measurements (orbit, emittance, ...).



**Beam-based parameters** used on-line to generate nominal **protection settings!**



# Generation of protection settings



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LHC BP OP

return

Beams	IPs	Families	ParametersTypeGroups	Parameters
B1 B2	TI2	TCDIH TCDIV	PHYSICS : COLL_JAW_TOLERANCE PHYSICS : COLL_JAW PHYSICS : COLL_BBOptics PHYSICS : COLL_NSIGMA PHYSICS : COLL_BBParam PHYSICS : COLL_BBCentre PHYSICS : COLL_HalfGap_TOL PHYSICS : COLL_HalfGap	TCDIH.20607/BBCentre TCDIH.20607/BBParam#sigma_x TCDIH.20607/BBParam#sigma_xp TCDIH.20607/BBParam#sigma_y TCDIH.20607/BBParam#sigma_yp TCDIH.20607/NSIGMA TCDIH.29050/BBCentre TCDIH.29050/BBParam#sigma_x
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Setting part:  Value  Target  Correction  Time base:  SuperCycle  Cycle/BeamProcess

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sigma_x	0.62
TCDIH.20607/NSIGMA	4.5

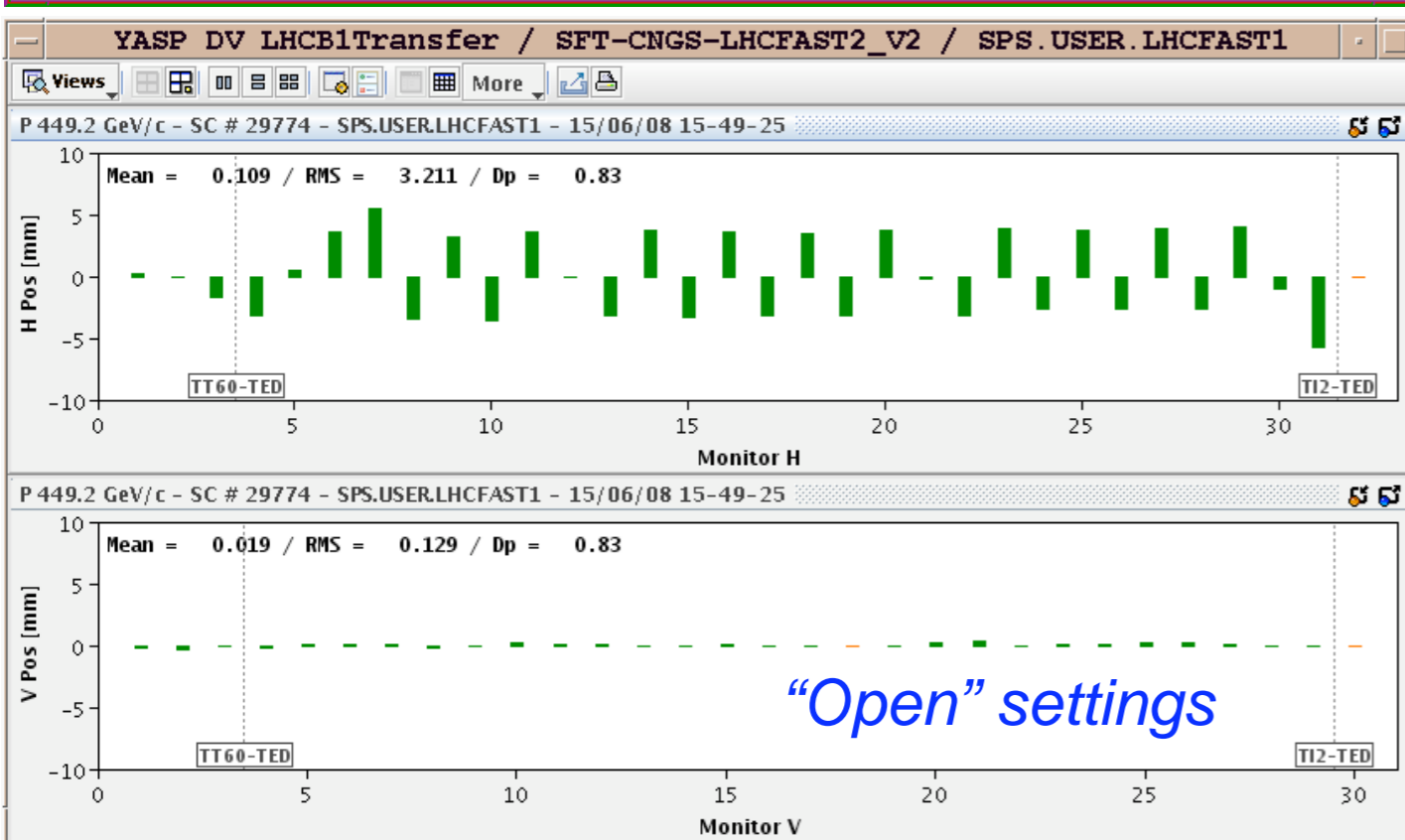
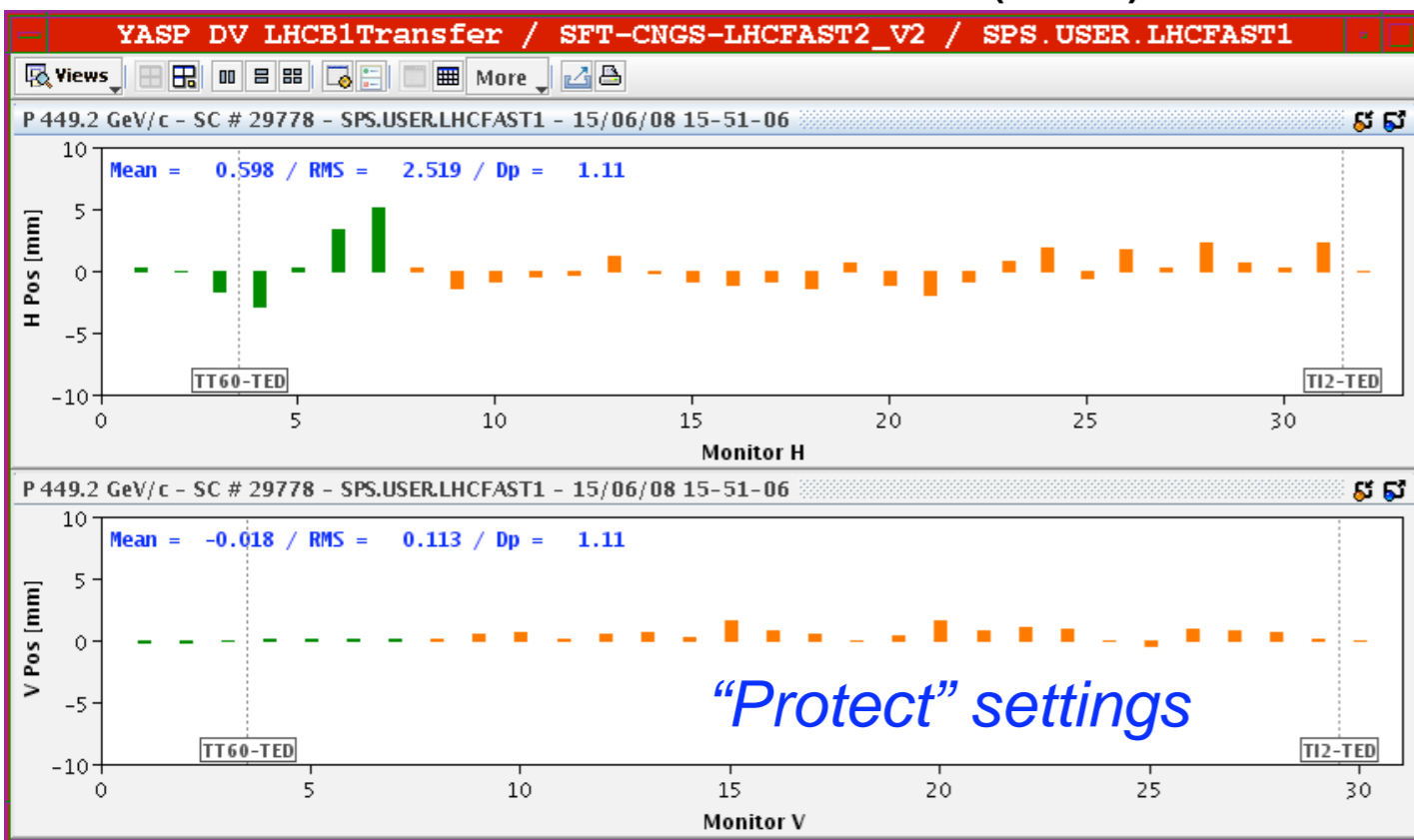
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Beam Processes	Beams	IPs	Families	ParametersTypeGroups	Parameters
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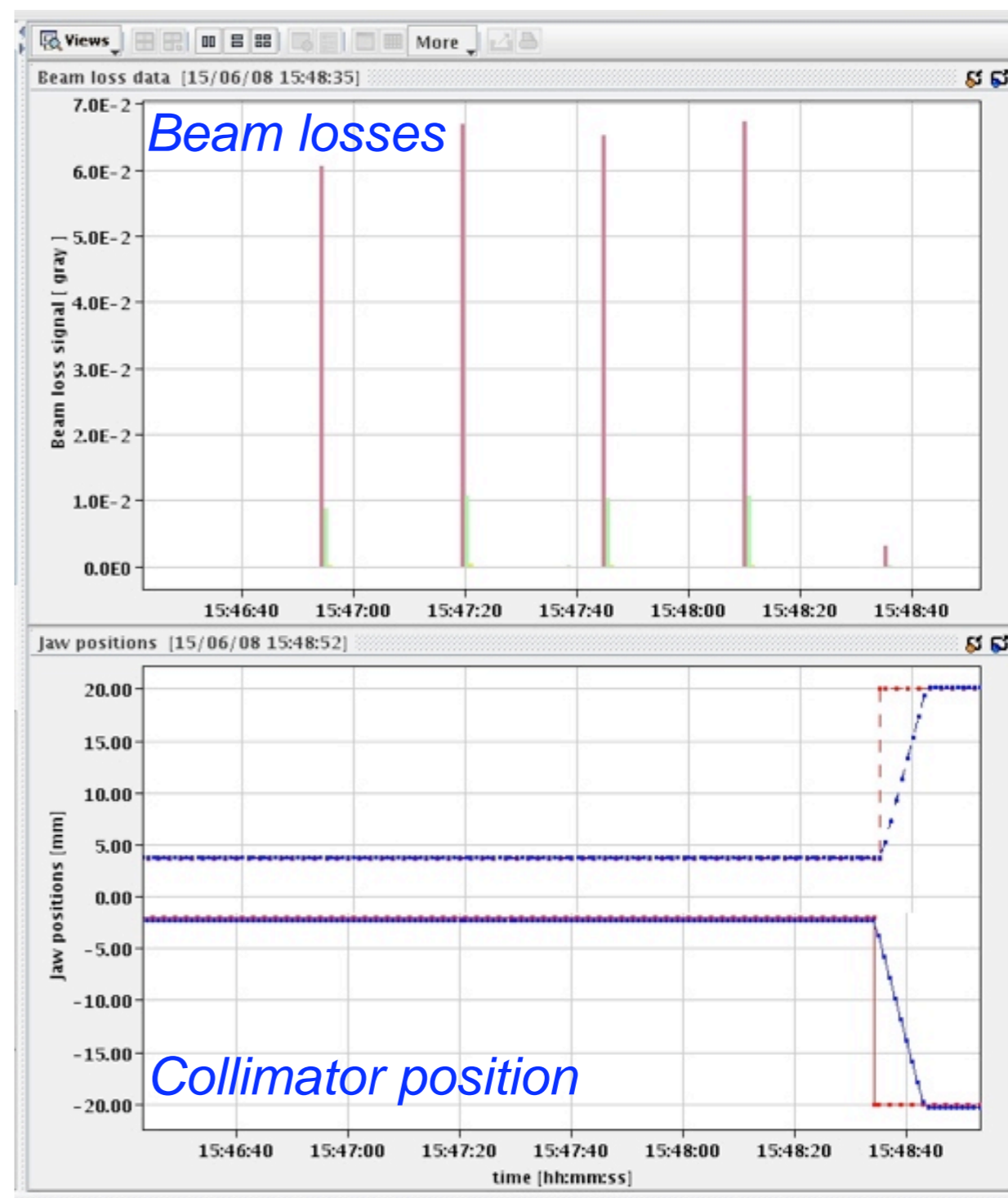
Setting part:  Value  Target  Correction  Time base:  SuperCycle  Cycle/BeamProcess

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## Measured beam orbit (H/V)

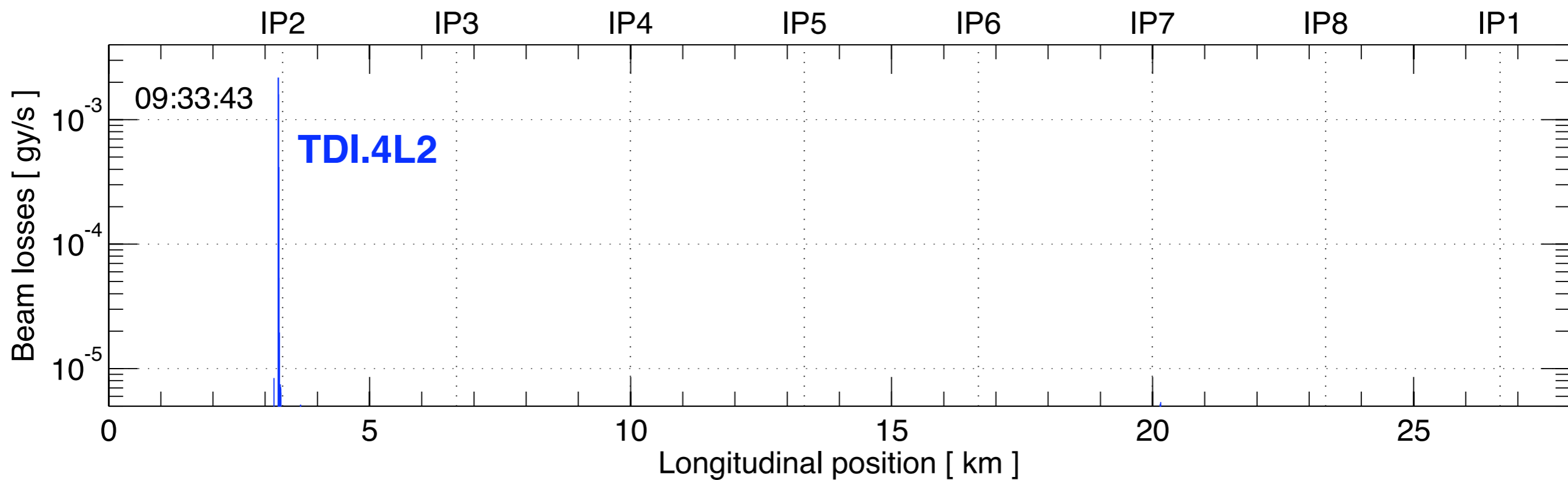
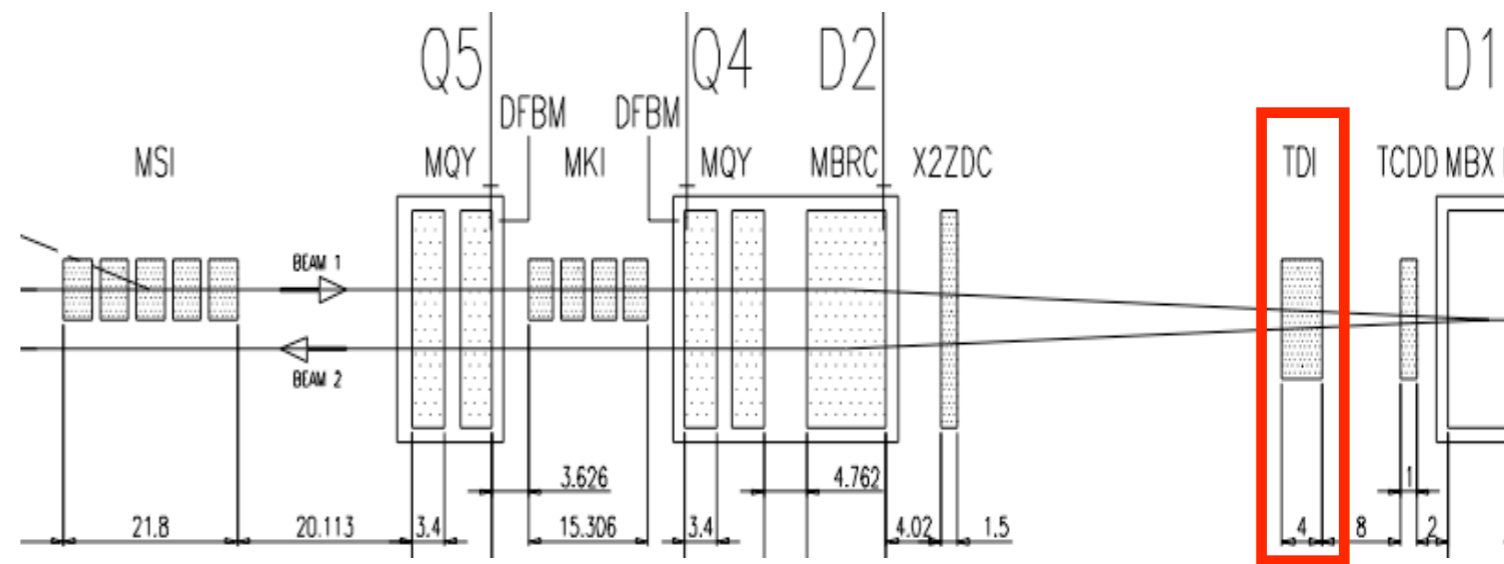
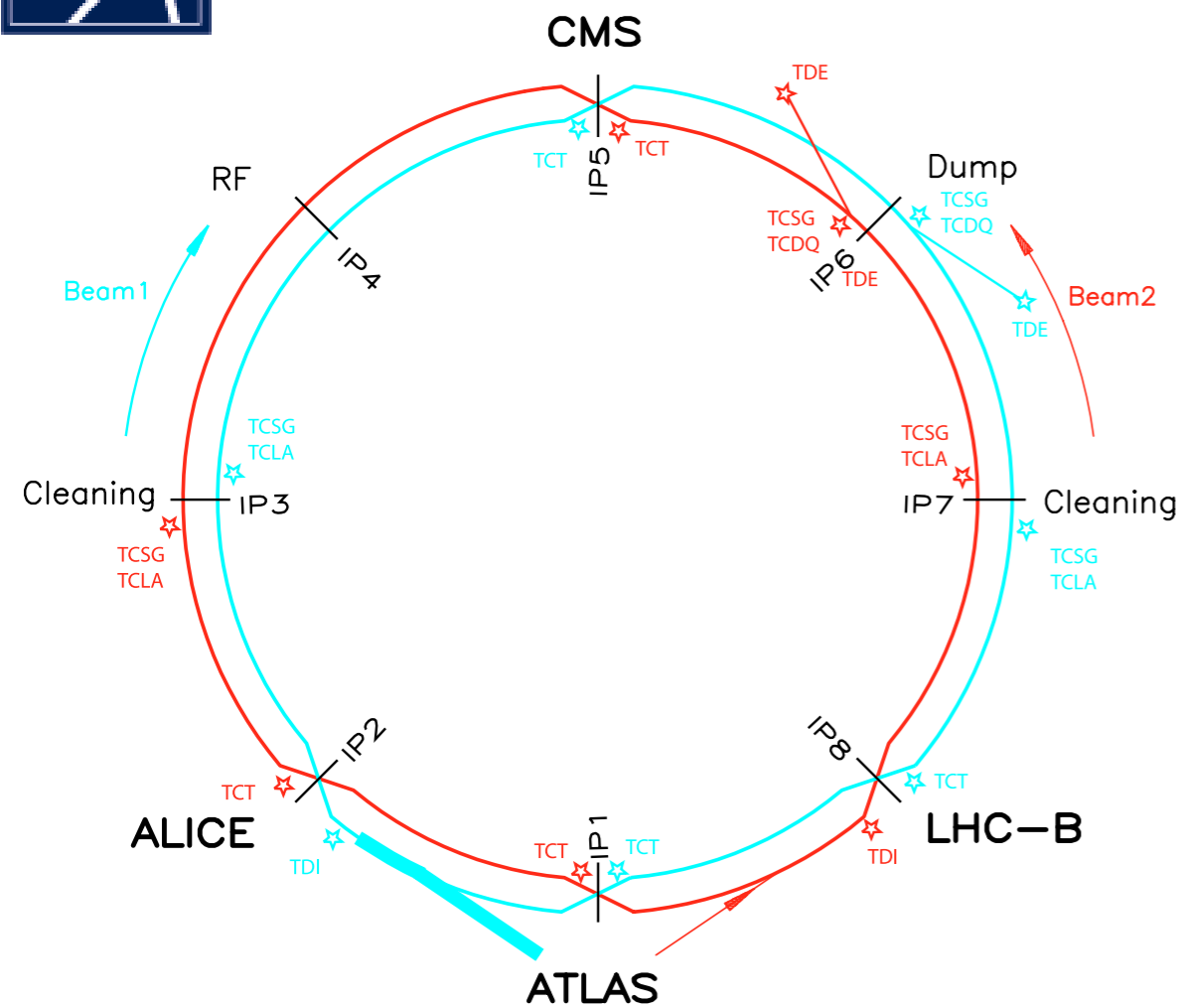


## Beam losses at the collimator



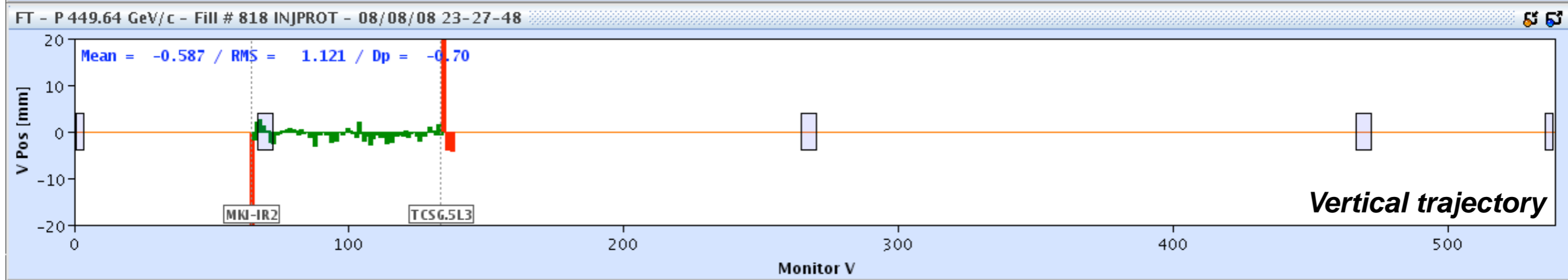
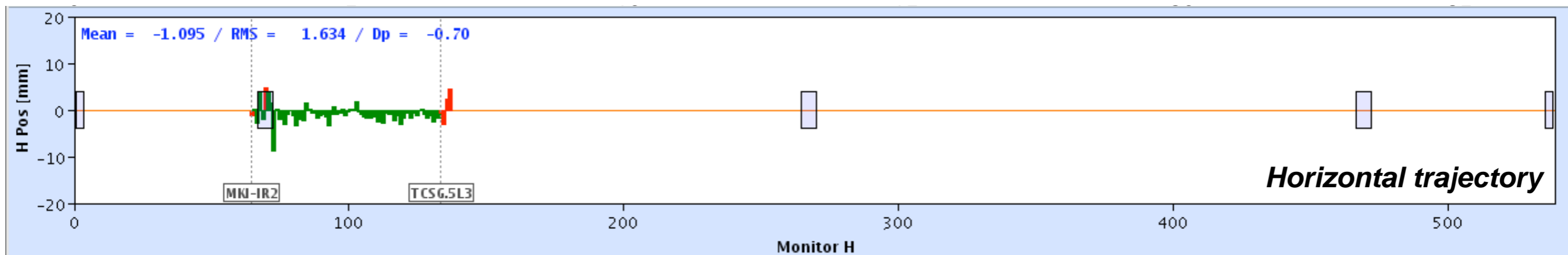
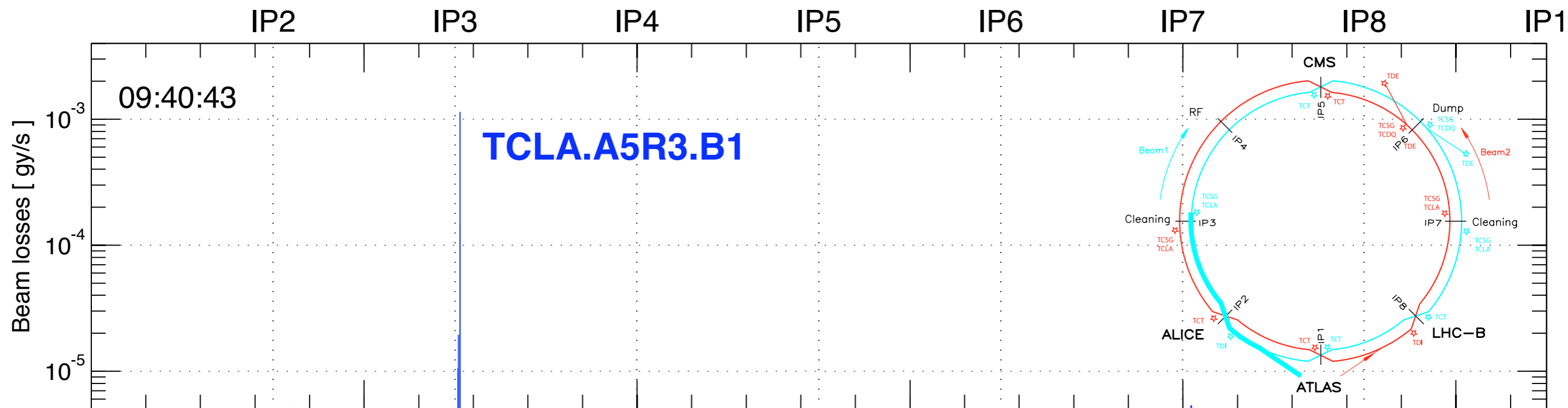
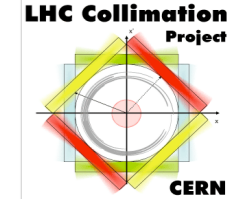
*Tested systematically one collimator.*

# Beam on TDI





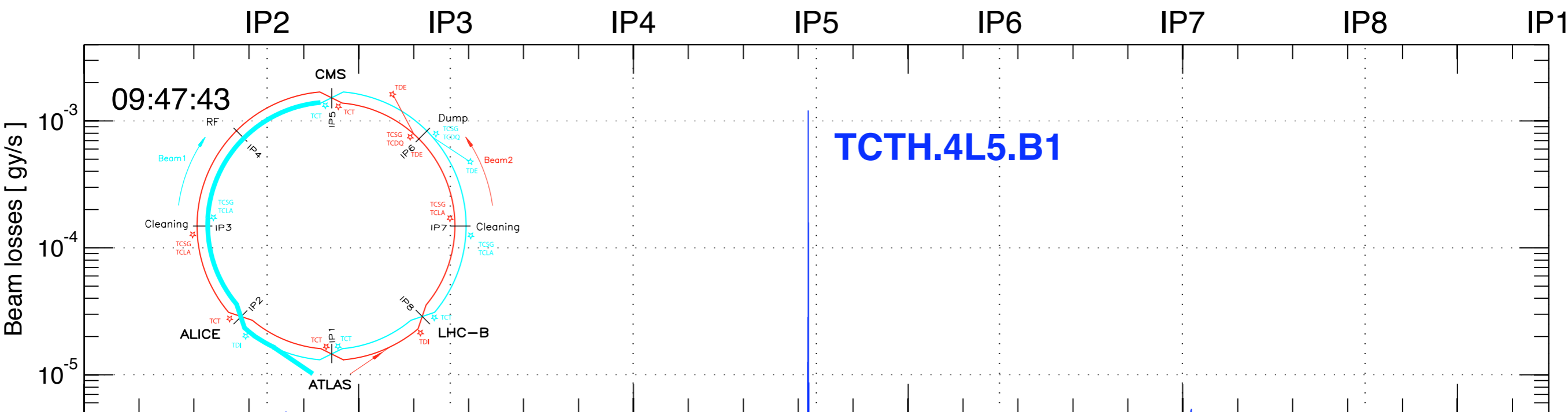
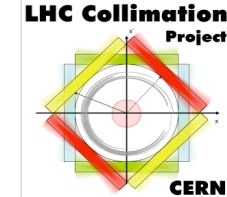
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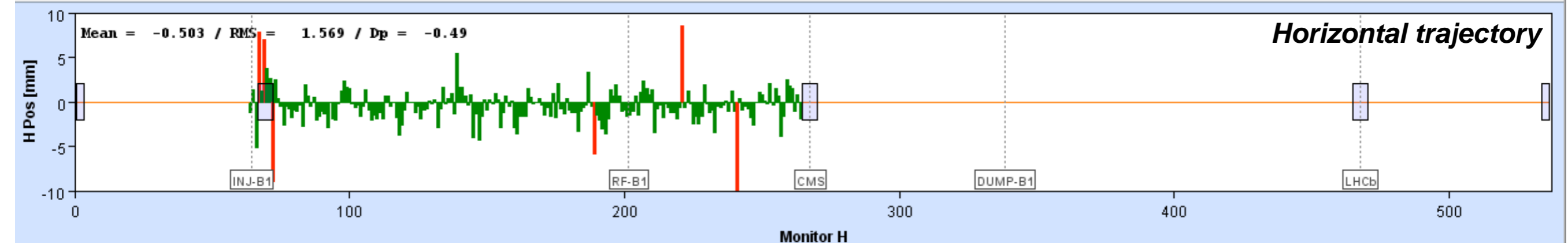




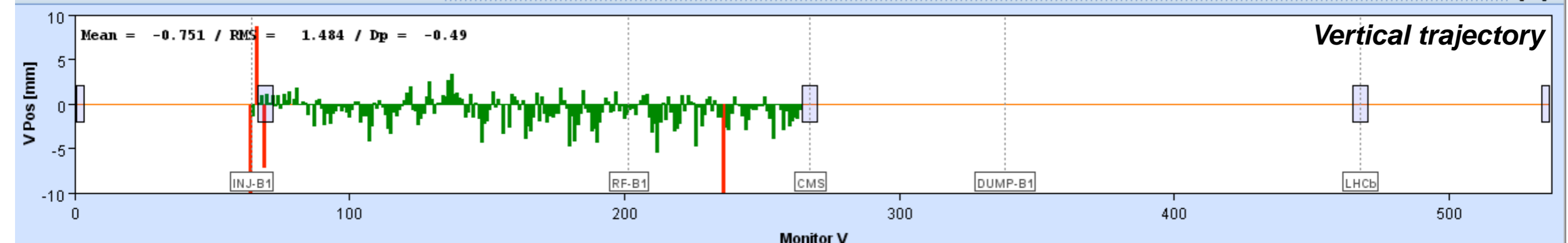
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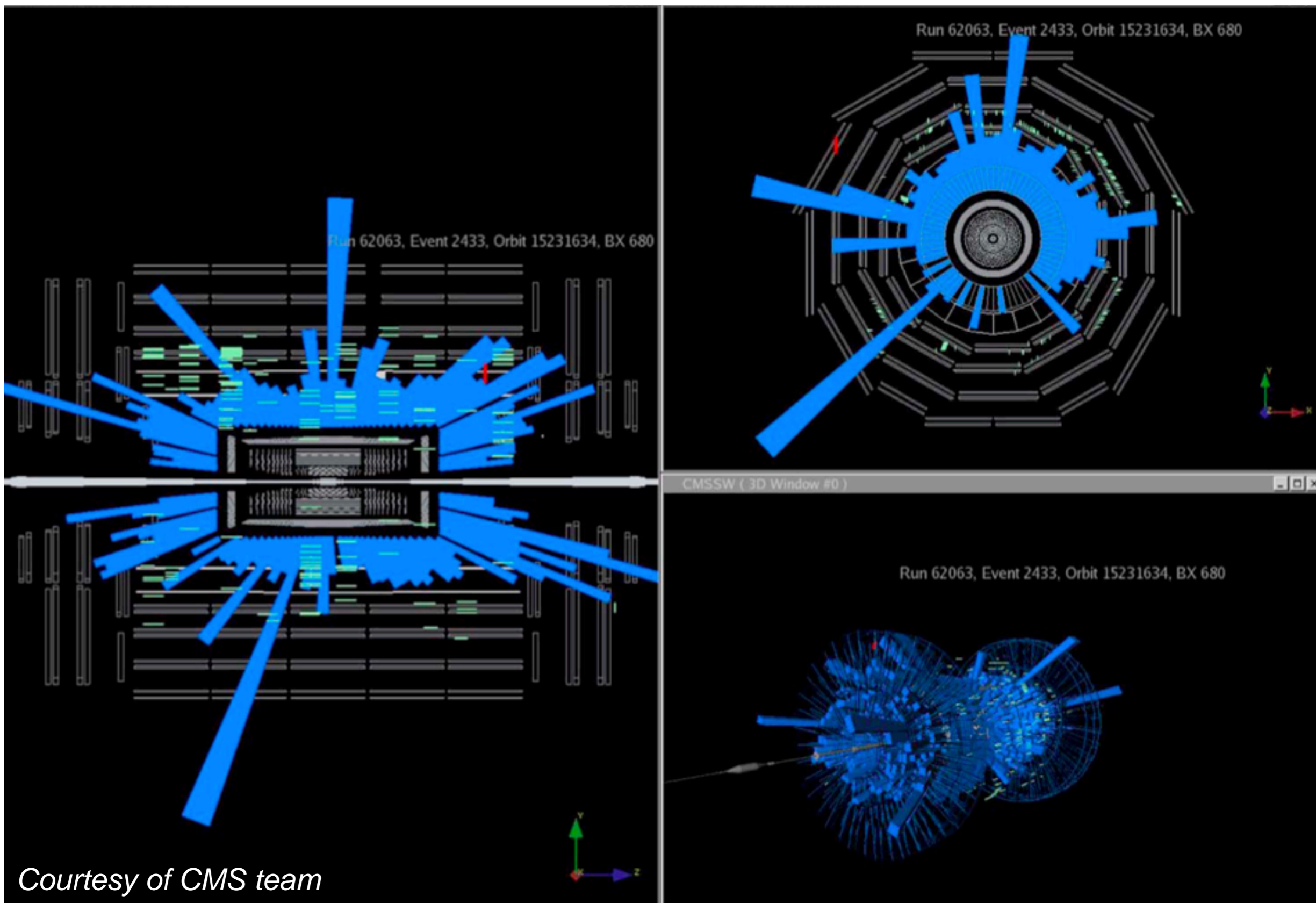
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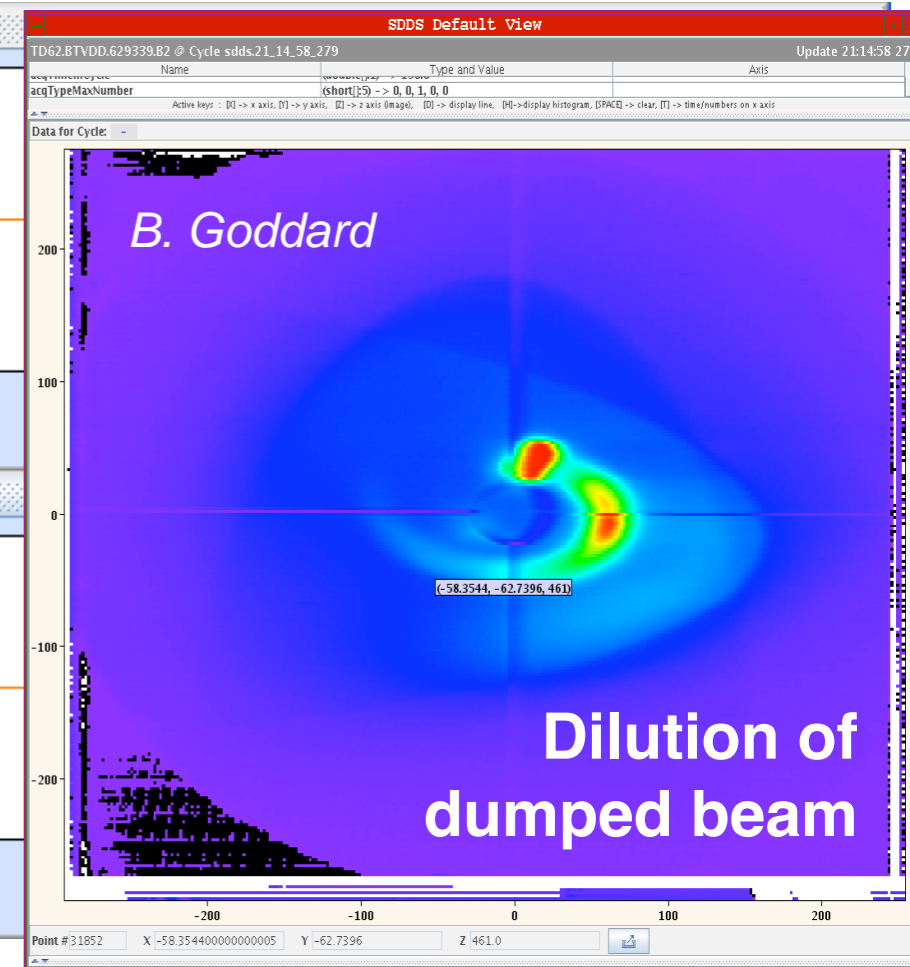
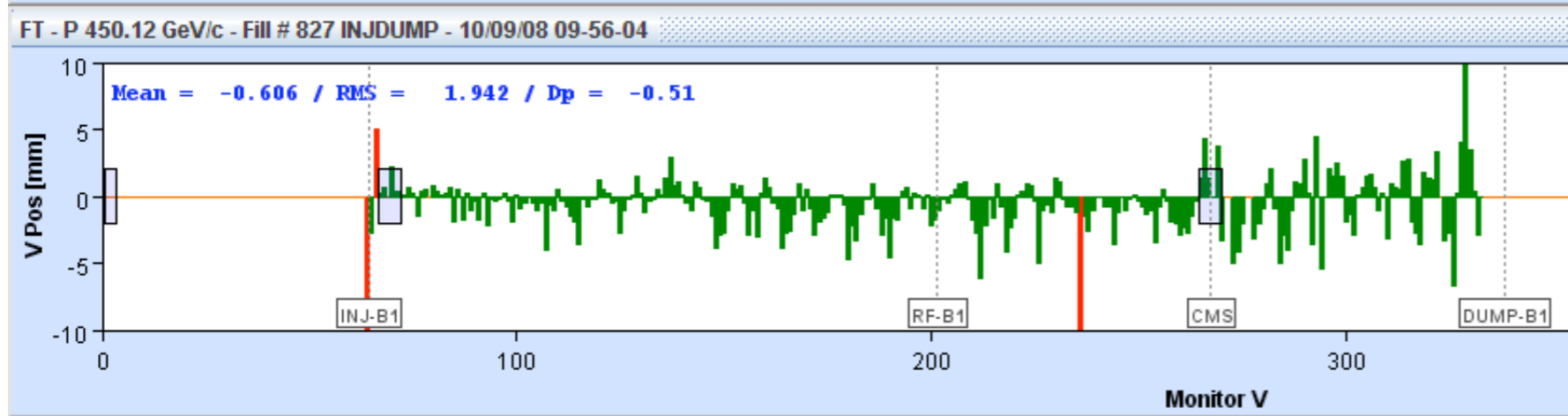
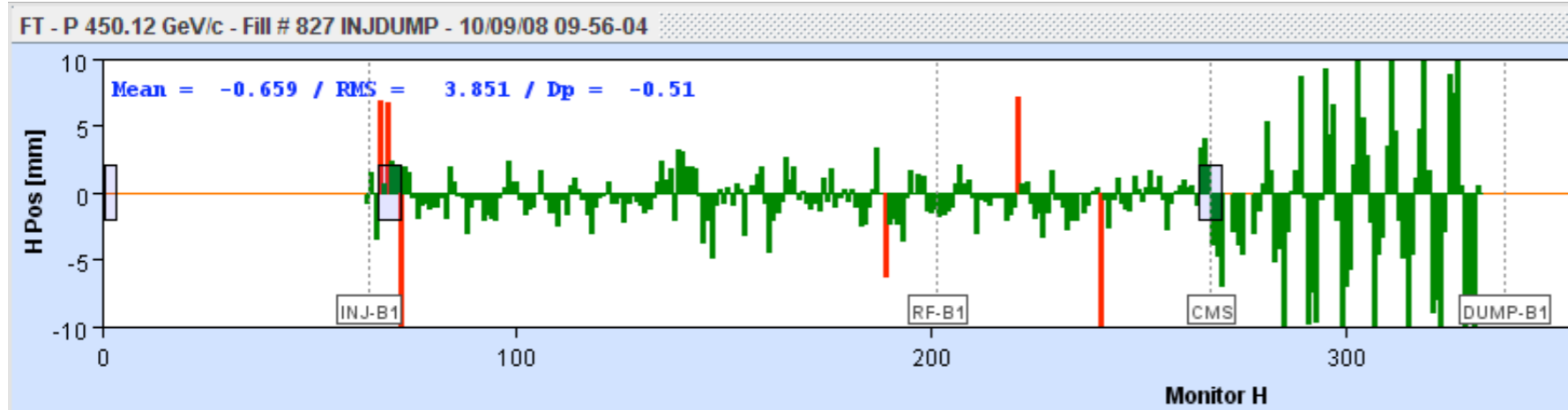
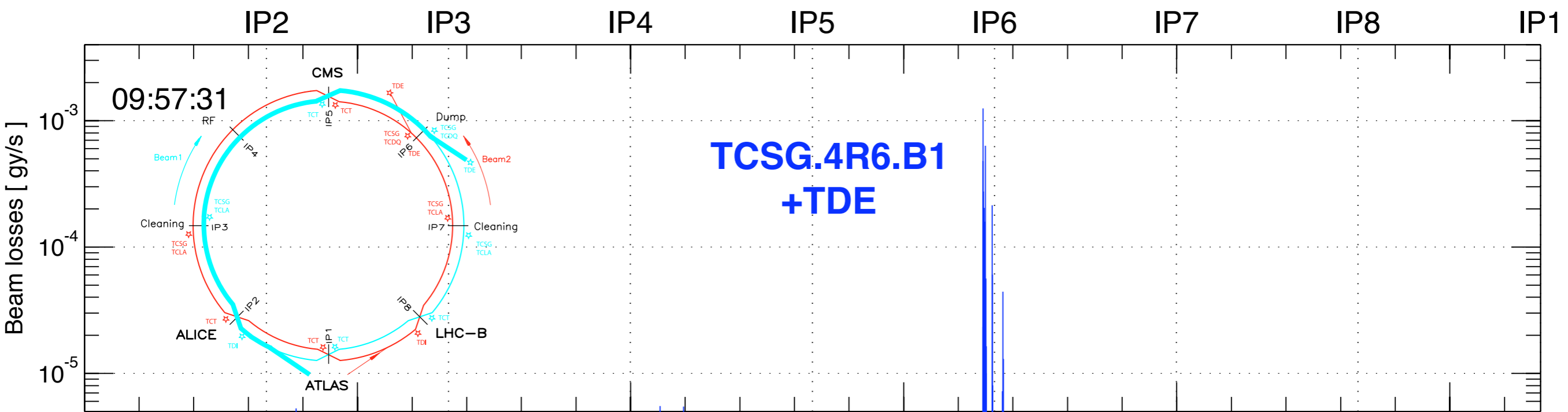
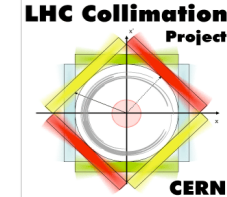


# Collimator events in CMS





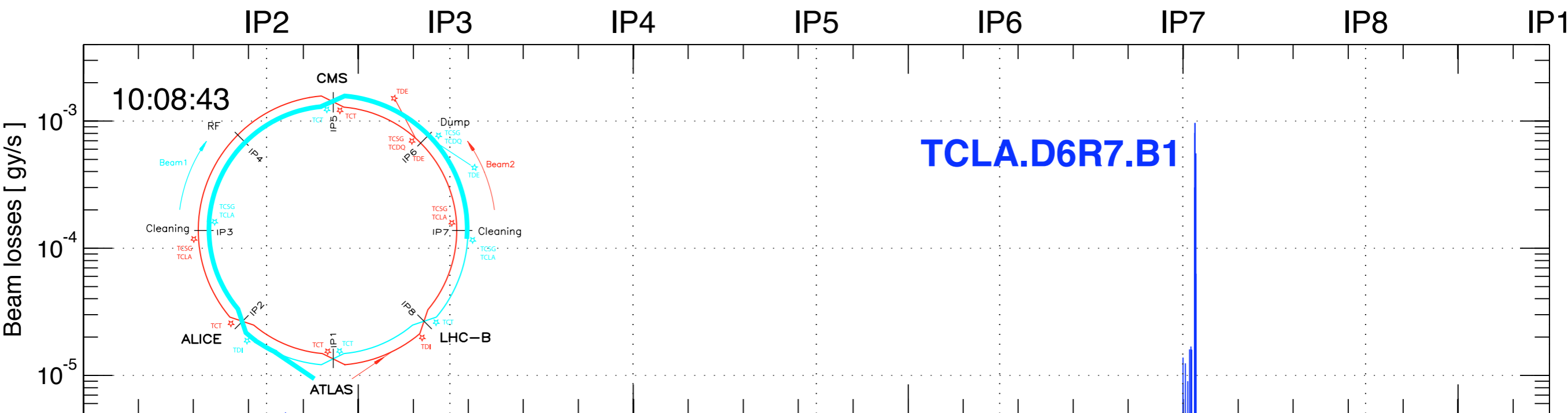
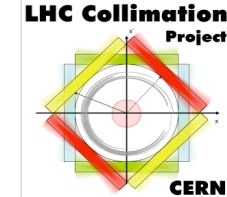
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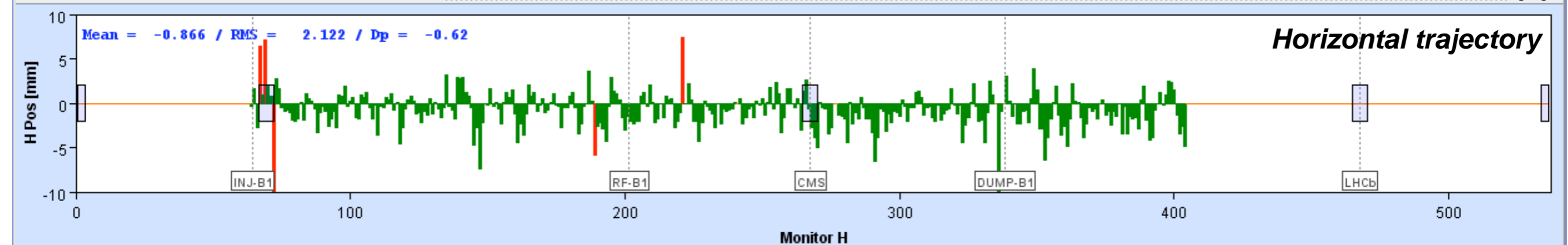




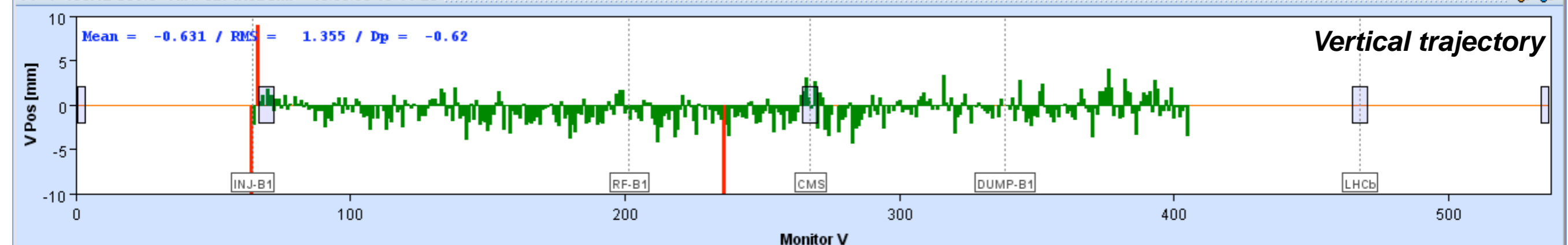
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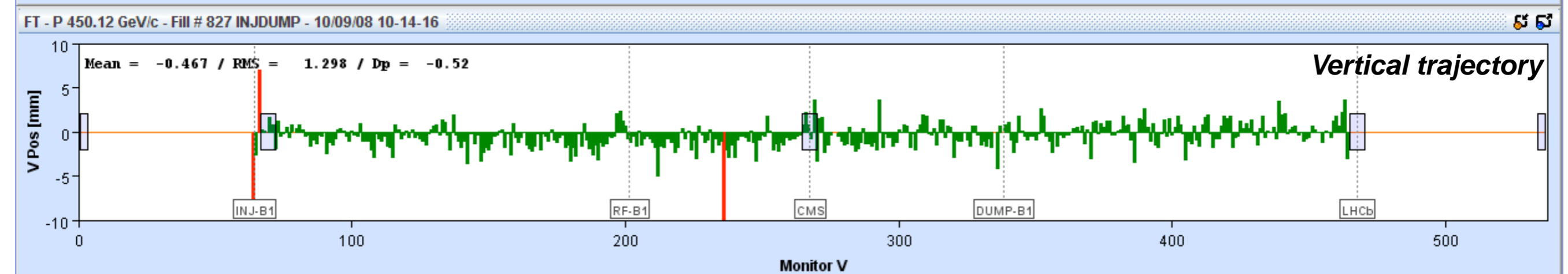
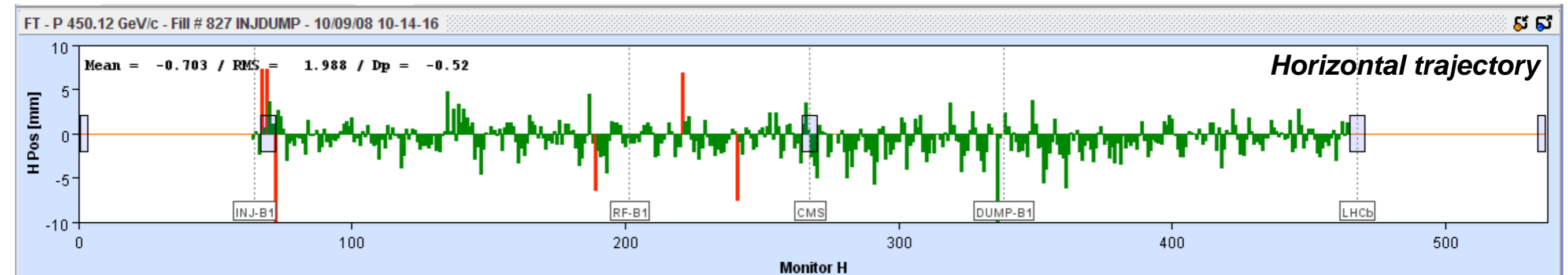
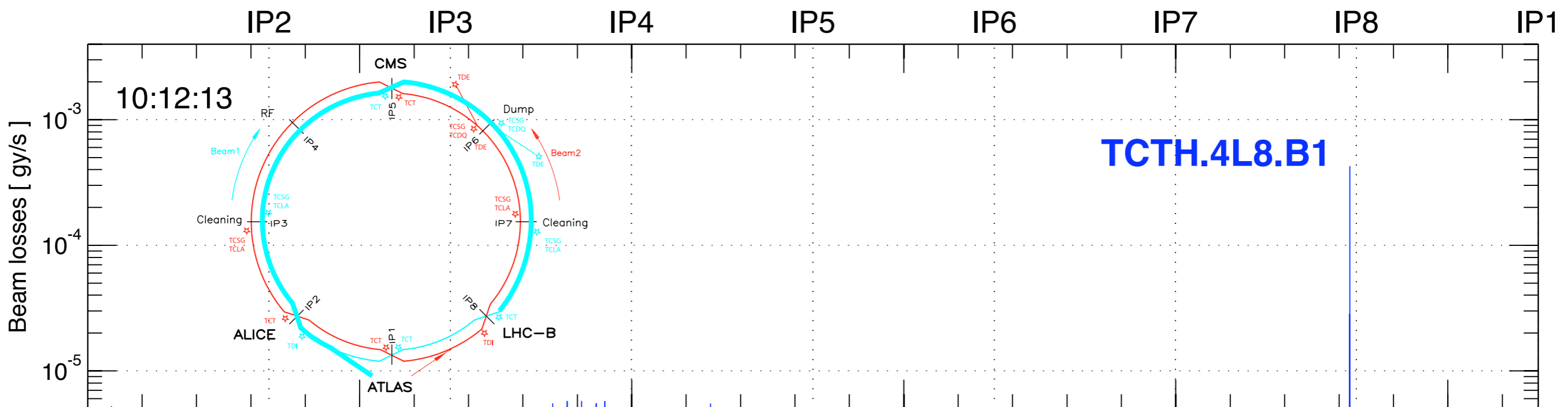
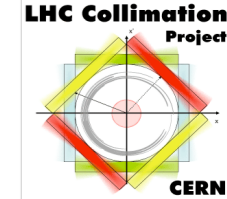


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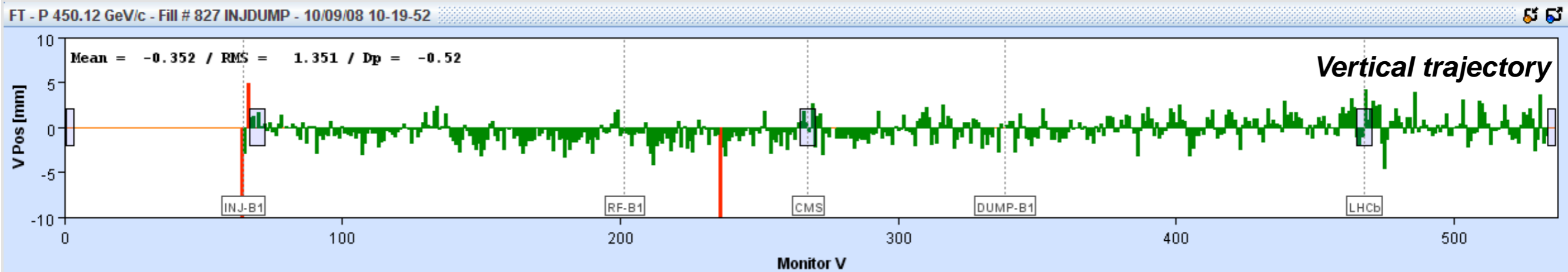
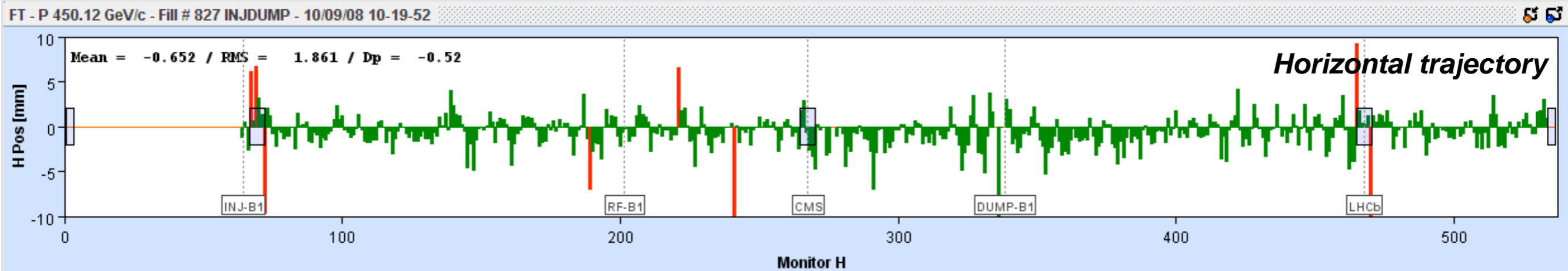
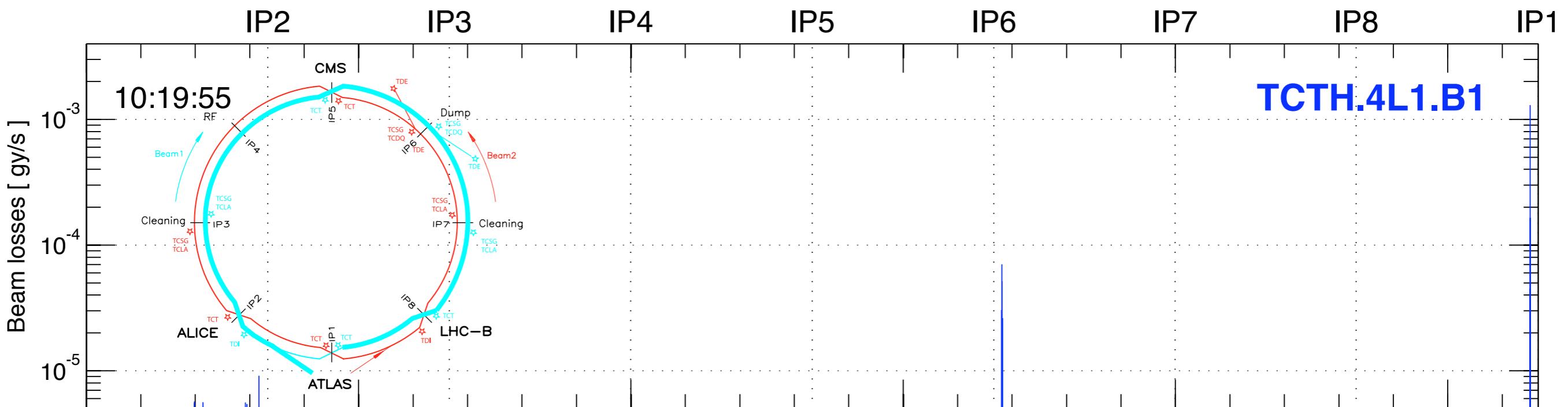
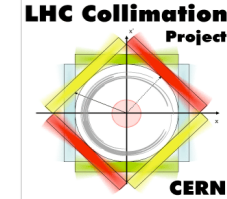


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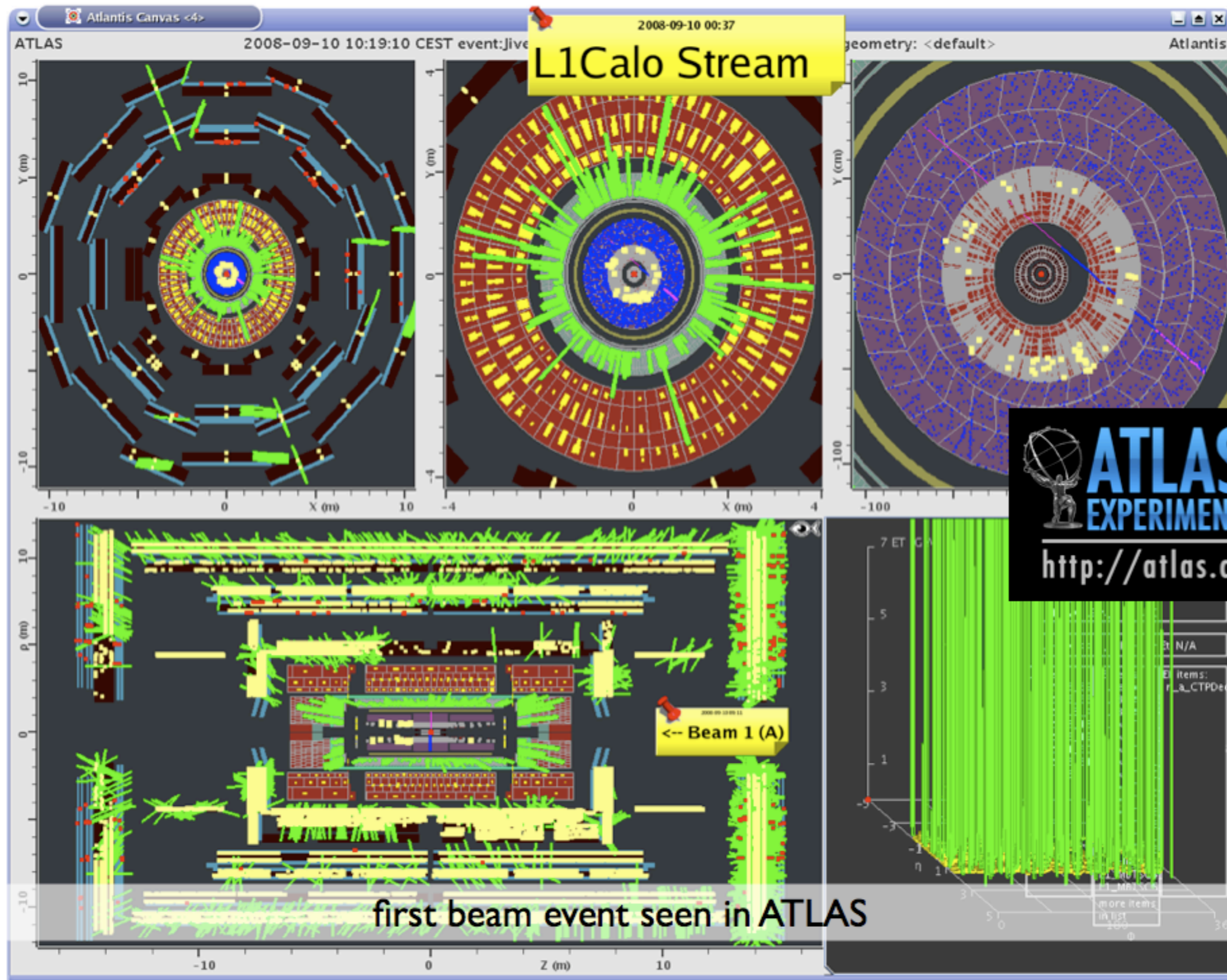




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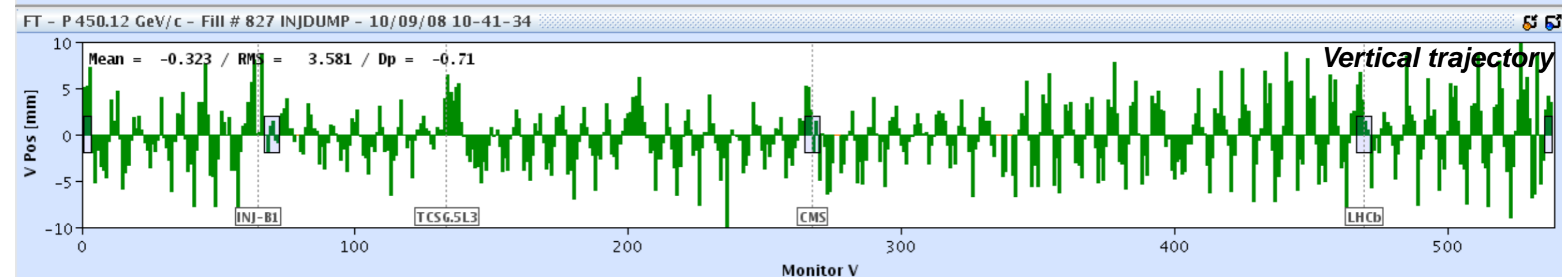
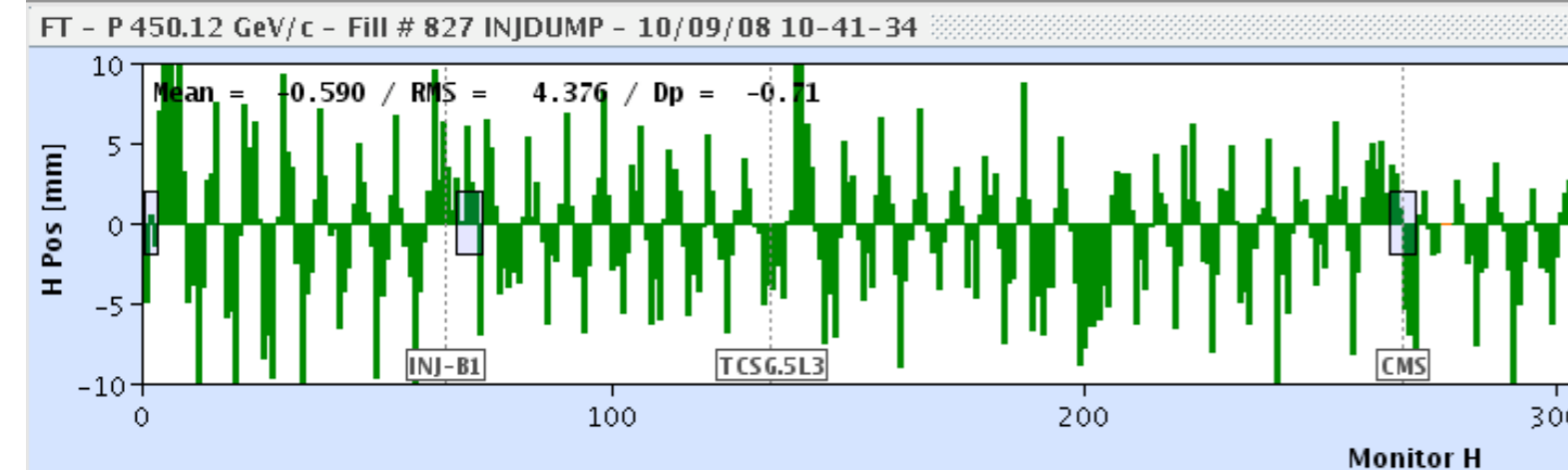
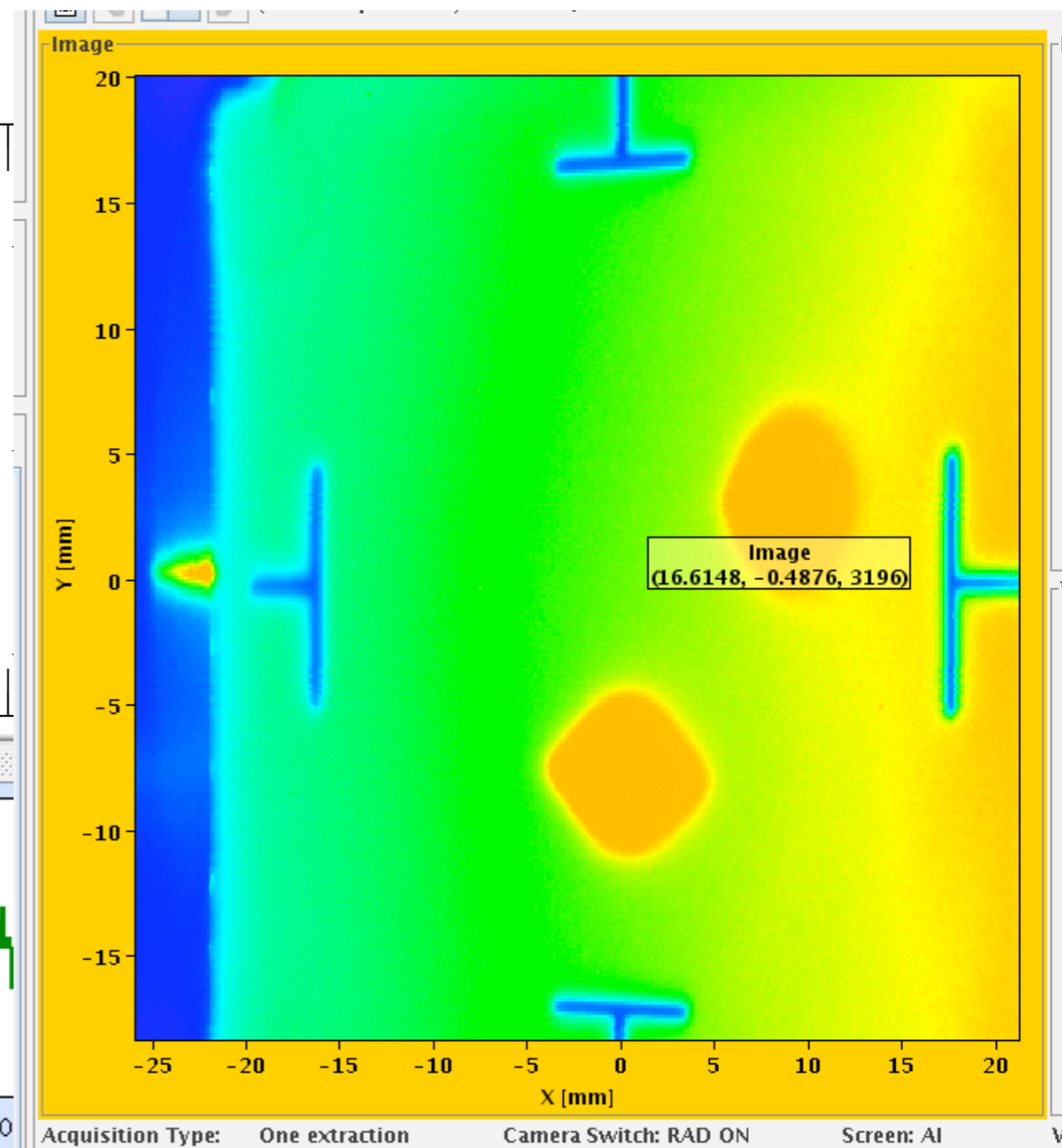
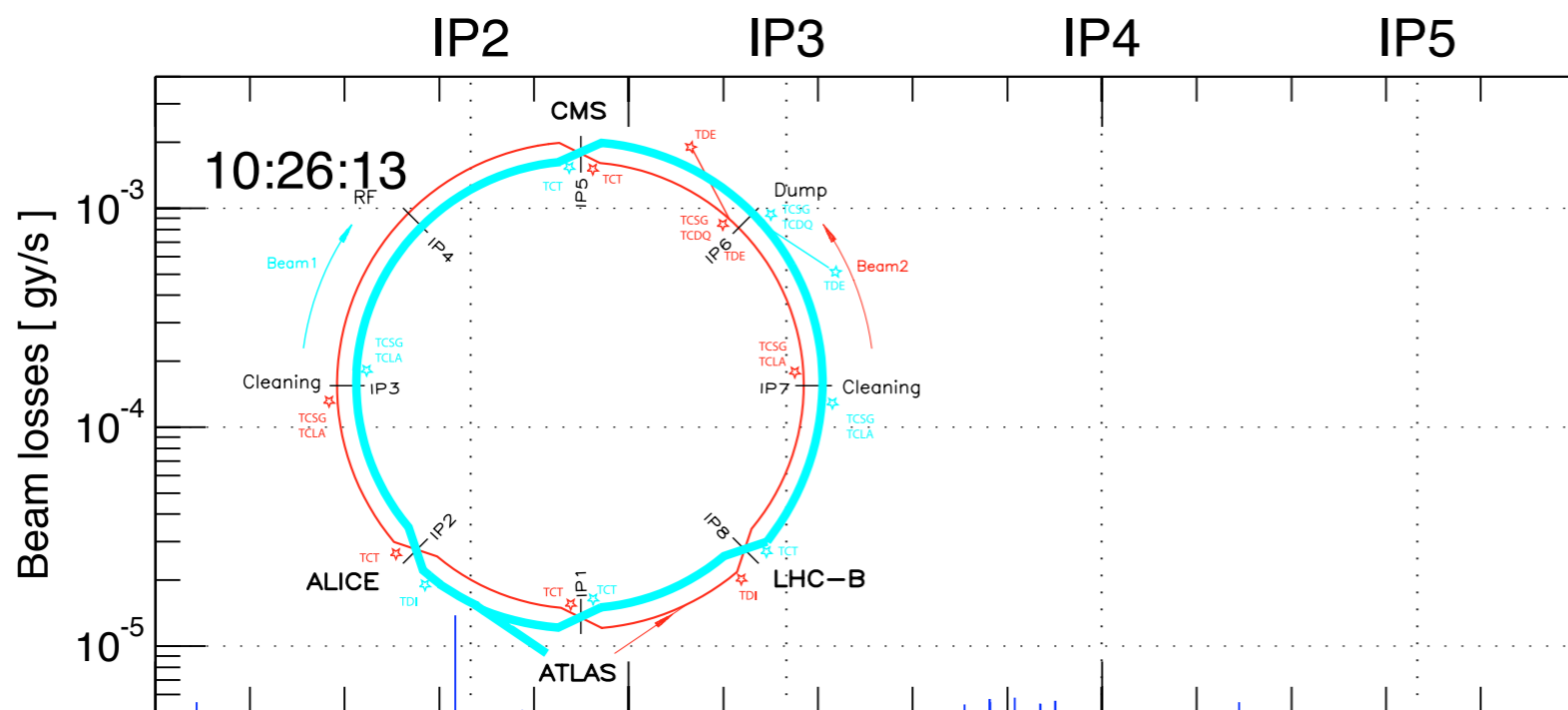
# Collimator events at ATLAS



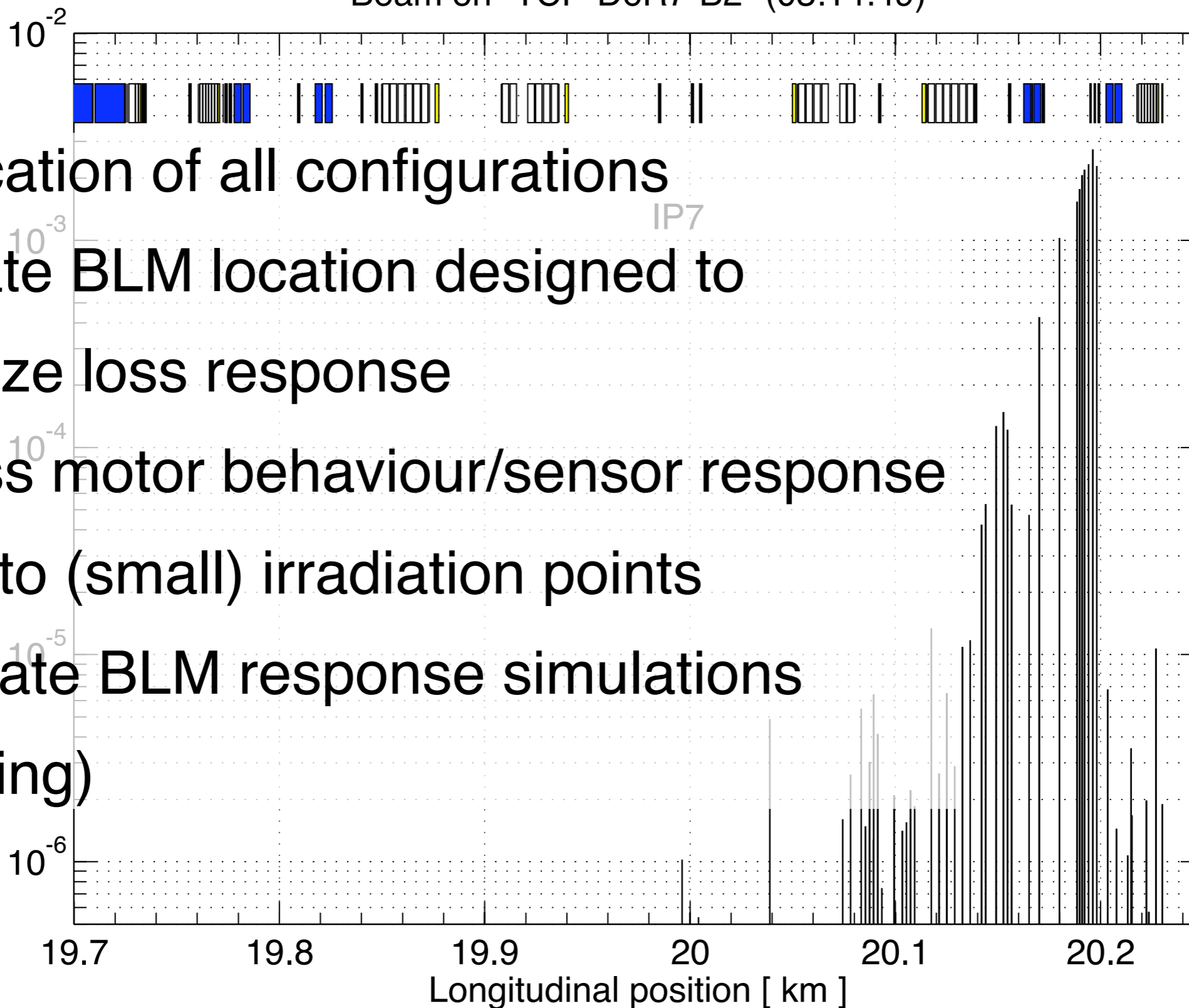
Courtesy of T. Wengler for the ATLAS team



# First turn!



Beam on "TCP-D6R7-B2" (03:14:49)



- Verification of all configurations
- Validate BLM location designed to optimize loss response
- Assess motor behaviour/sensor response close to (small) irradiation points
- Calibrate BLM response simulations (ongoing)

← Beam 2

# Conclusions

## **Operational experience of the collimation system was reviewed**

*Mainly “dry-runs” as a part of system HW commissioning  
Missed the chance to perform circulating beam tests*

## **HW commissioning of 2008 system was completed**

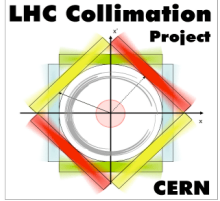
*The main design tolerance are basically achieved  
Machine protection functionality validated  
Controls at all levels fully deployed, very satisfactory performance*

## **First successful usage with beam**

*First systematic commissioning in the transfer lines  
Collimators as beam stoppers, which made the injection tests possible  
Unforeseen but entertaining use for physics events in IP1/5*

## **Outlook:**

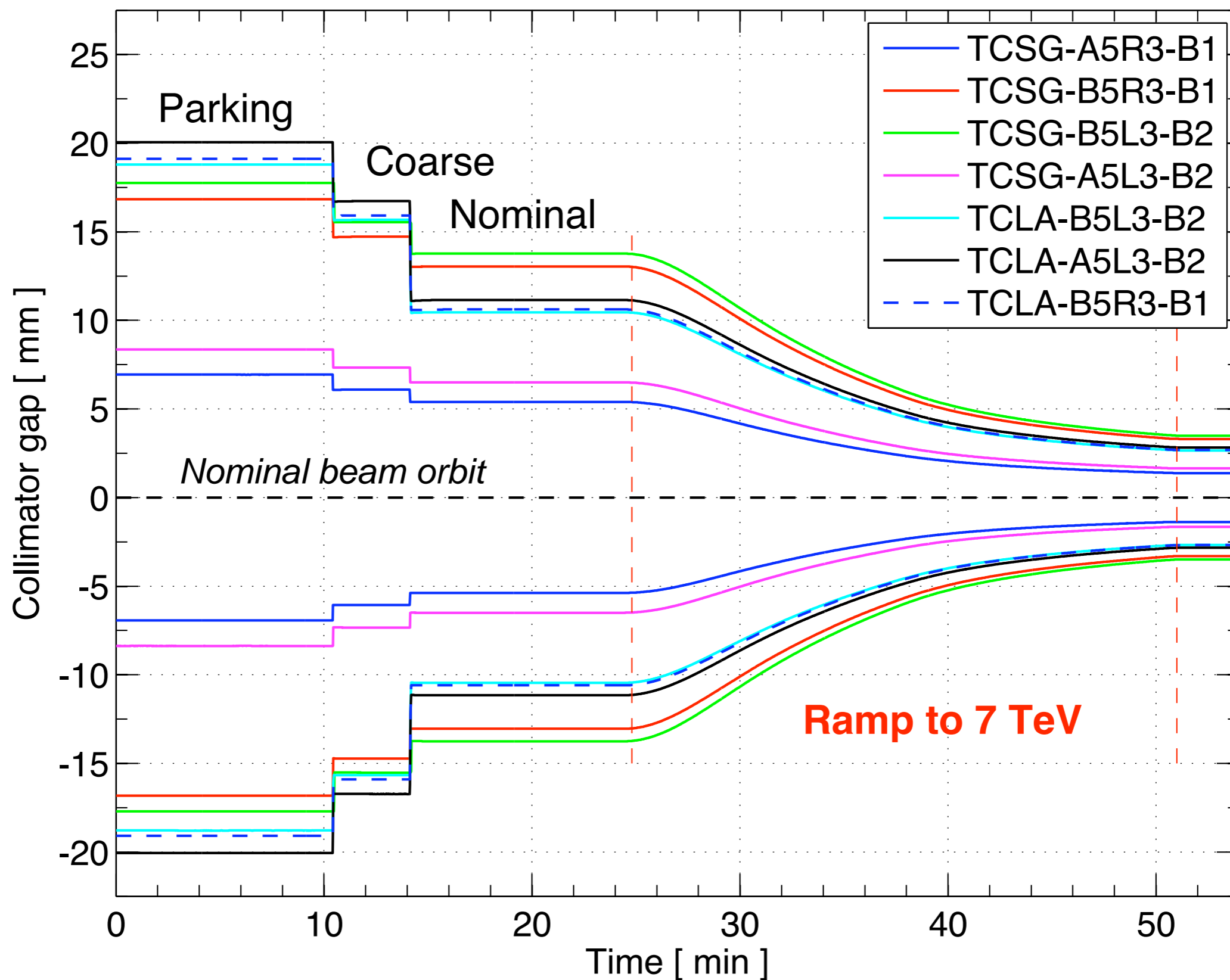
*Implementation of 2009 system  
TODO list for improvements compiled, will be followed up  
Further tests of reproducibility to optimized operational settings*



# *Reserve slides*

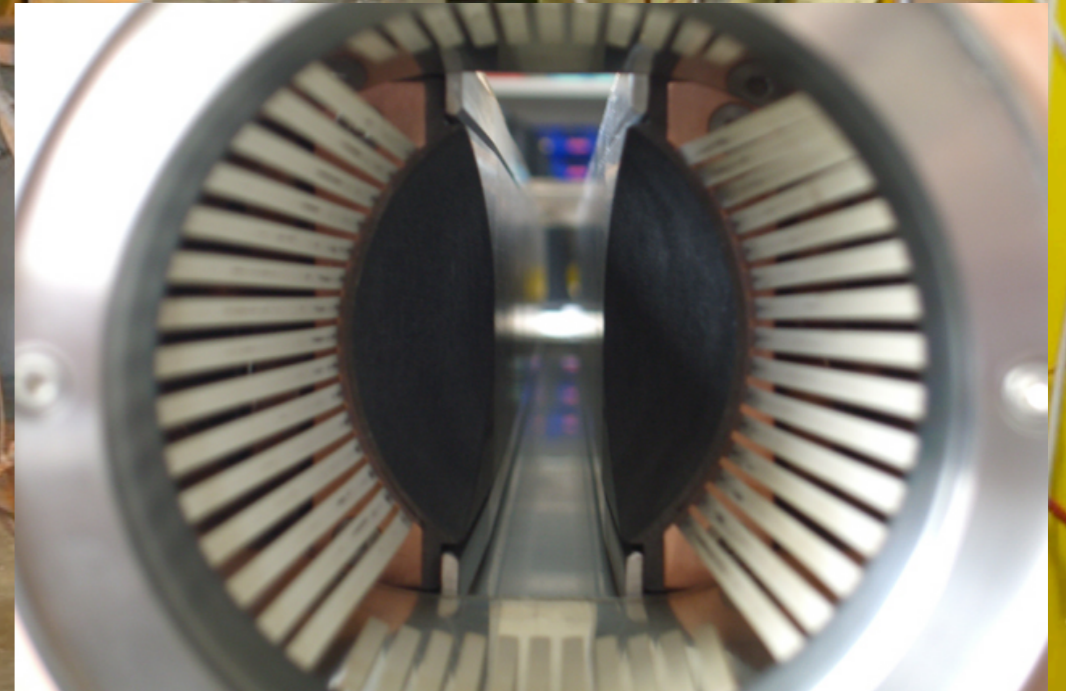
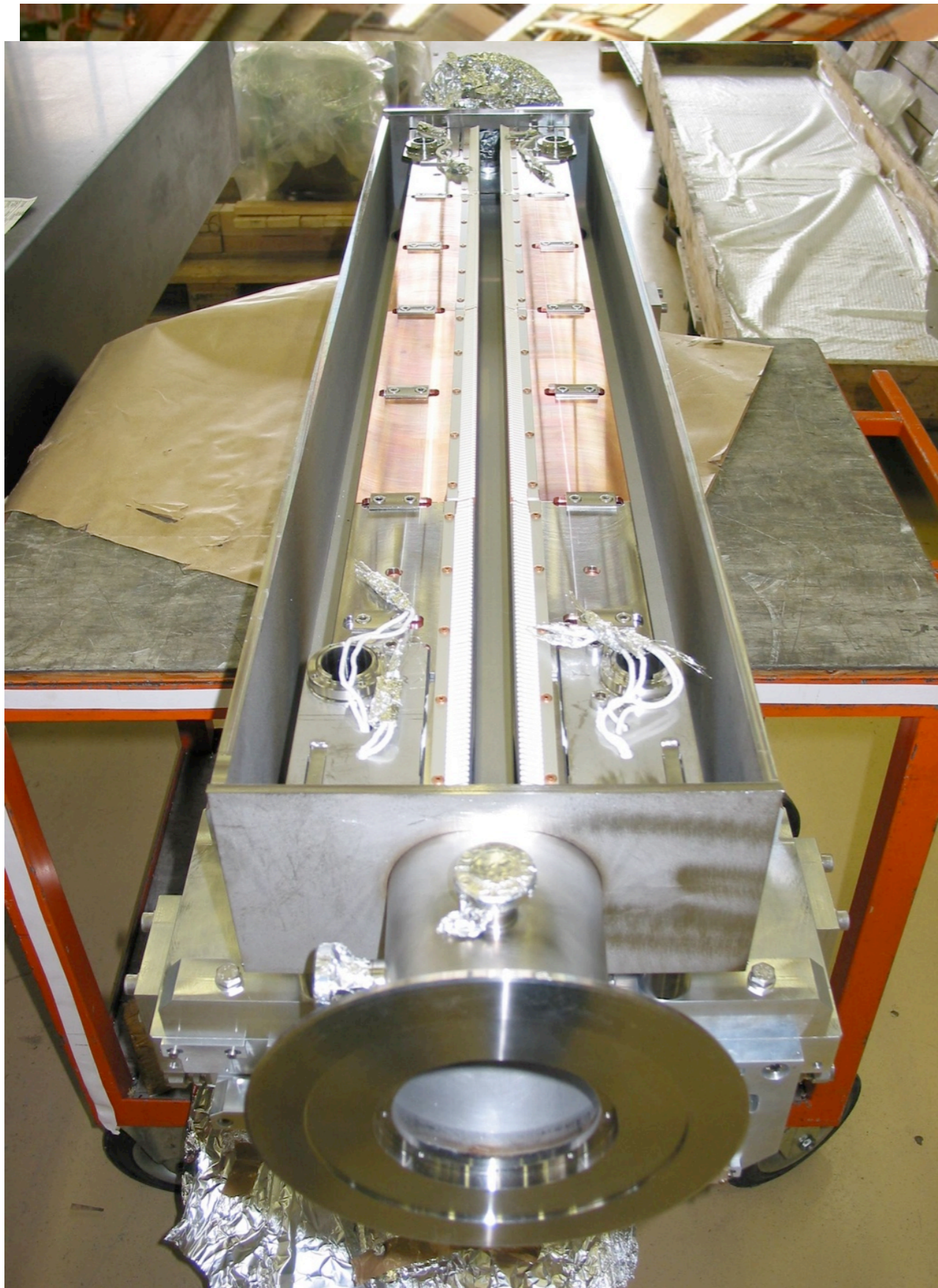


# Nominal operational cycle





# The LHC collimator

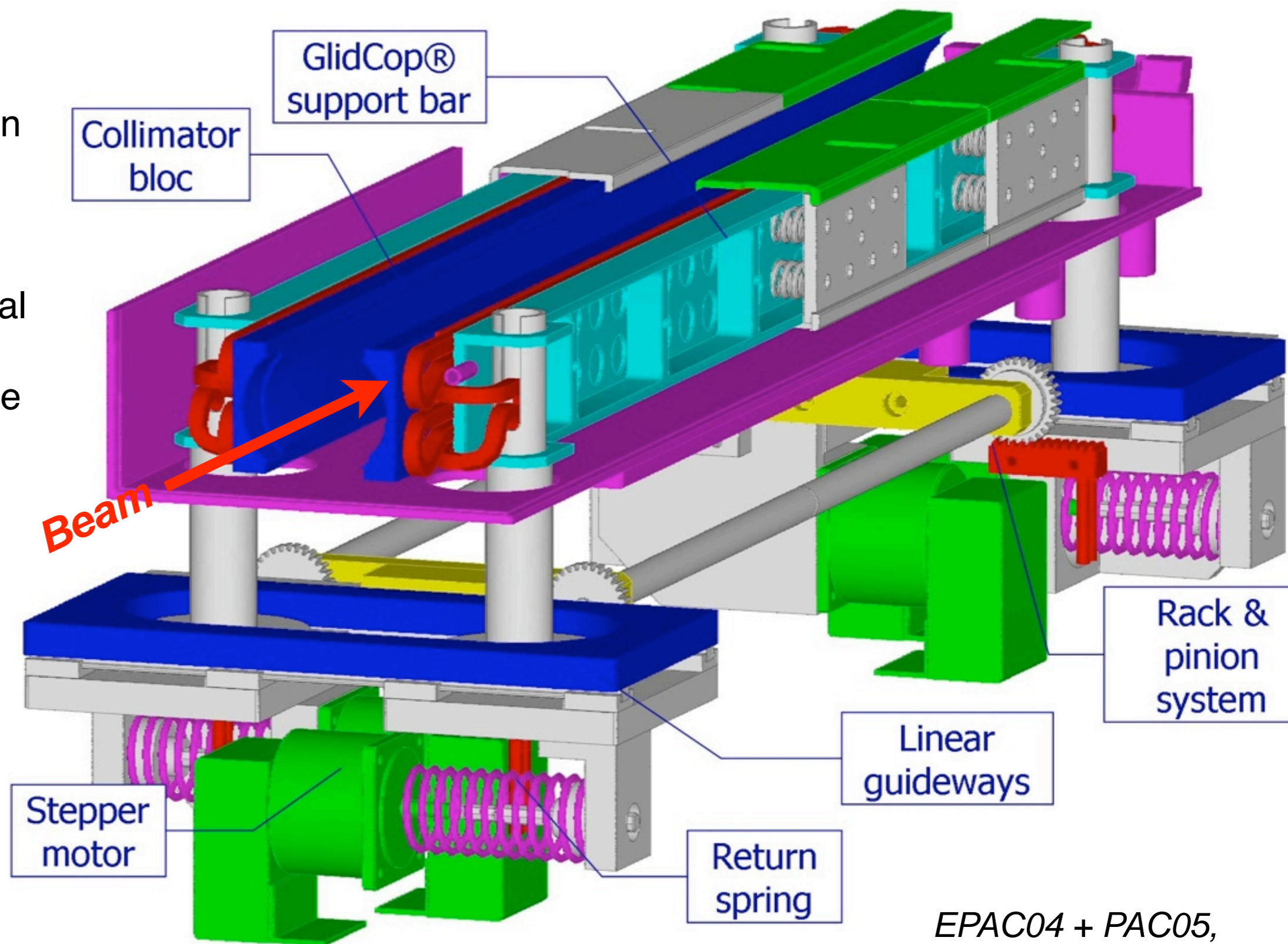




# The collimator assembly

## Main design features:

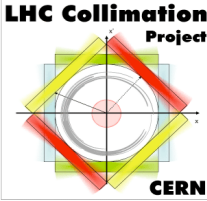
- Two jaws (position and angle)
- Concept of spare surface
- Different azimuthal angles (H,V,S)
- External reference of jaw position
- Auto-retraction
- RF fingers
- Jaw cooling



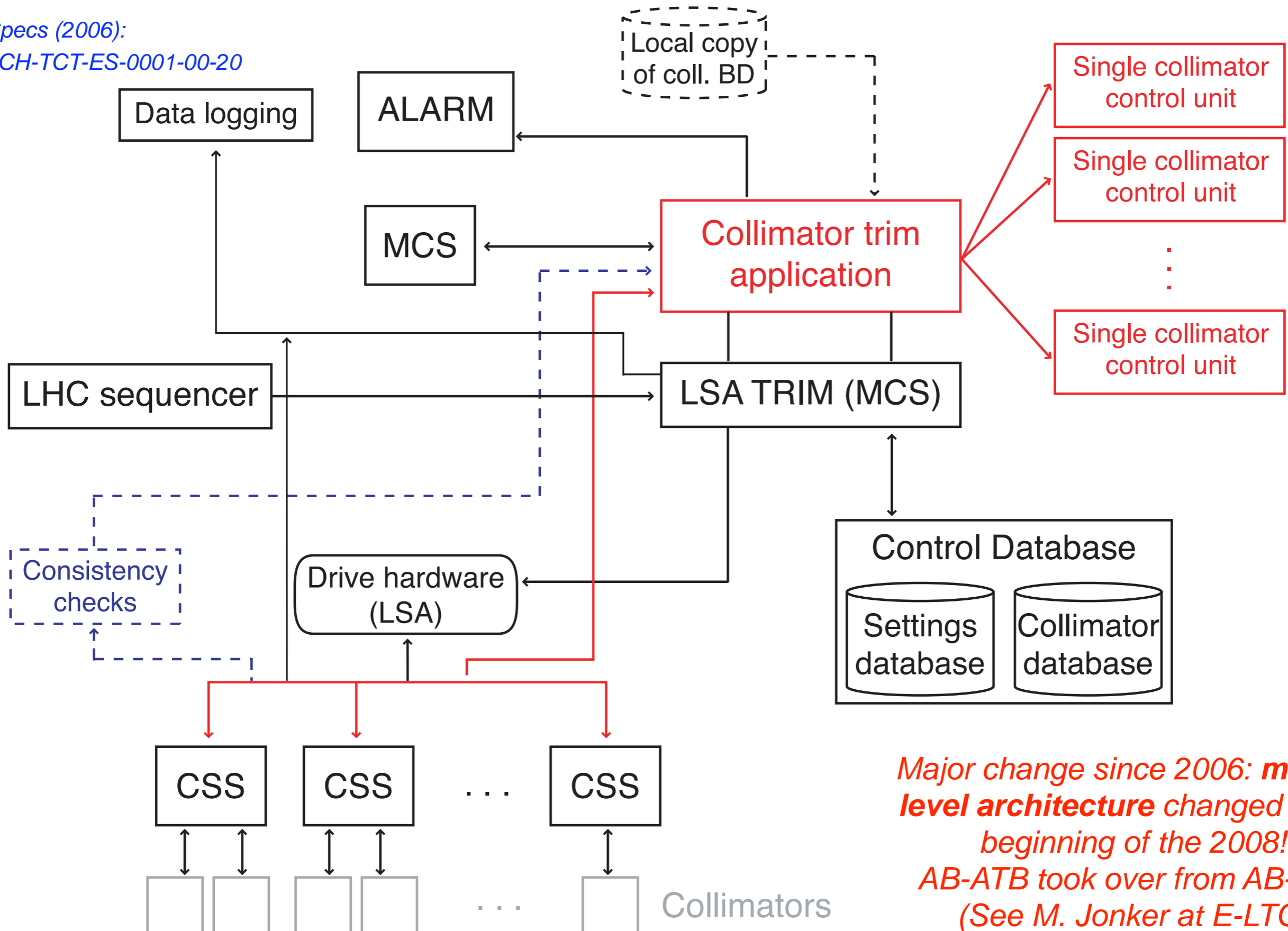
EPAC04 + PAC05,  
A. Bertarelli et al.



# Top-level controls architecture



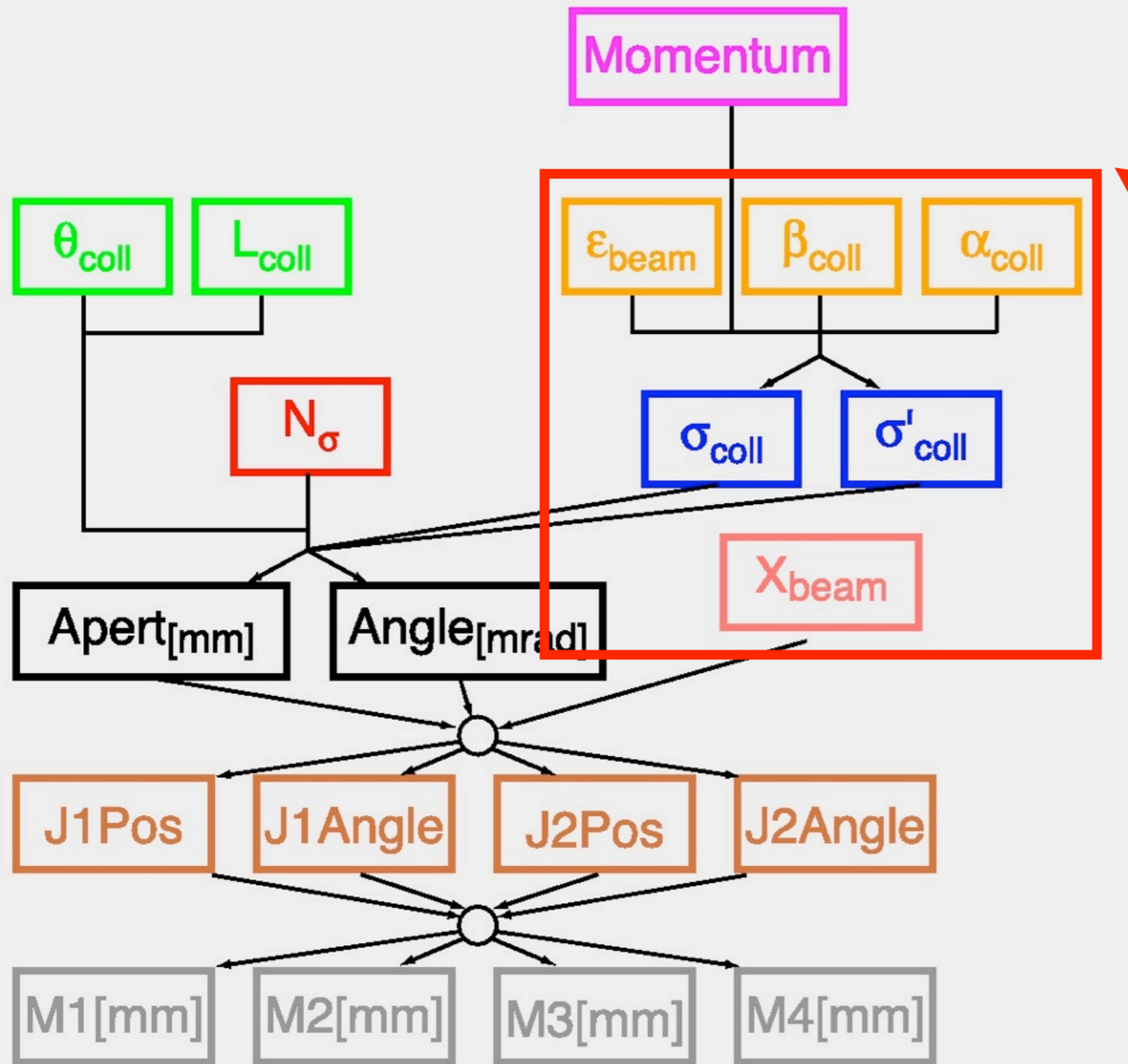
Specs (2006):  
LCH-TCT-ES-0001-00-20



*Major change since 2006: **middle-level architecture** changed at the beginning of the 2008!  
AB-ATB took over from AB-CO.  
(See M. Jonker at E-LTC)*



# Settings in beam sigma units



Parameter space for settings in **units sigma!**  
(trims at all levels possible!)

Canonical settings:

TCP → 6

TCSG → 7

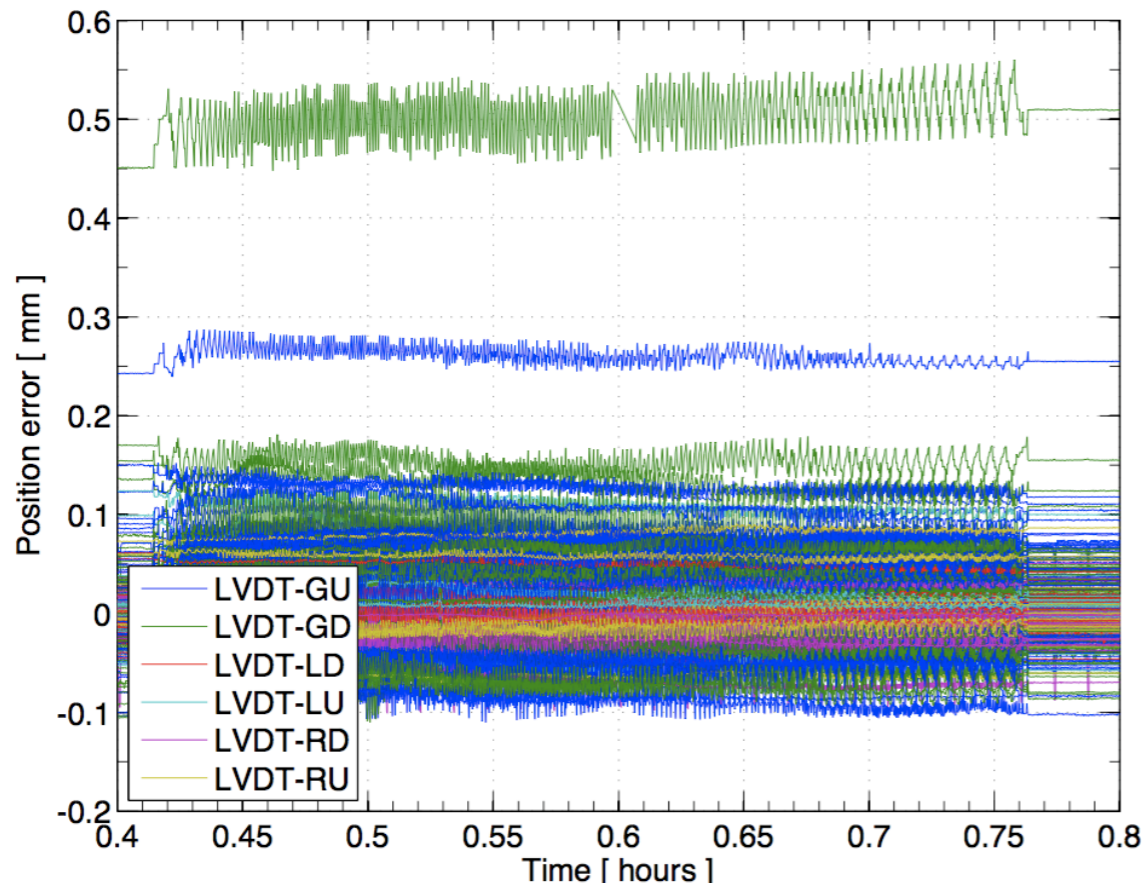
TCT → 8.5

**Beam-based parameters** will be determined for each collimator with beam and stored in the setting DB (now: nominal values imported at the generation level)

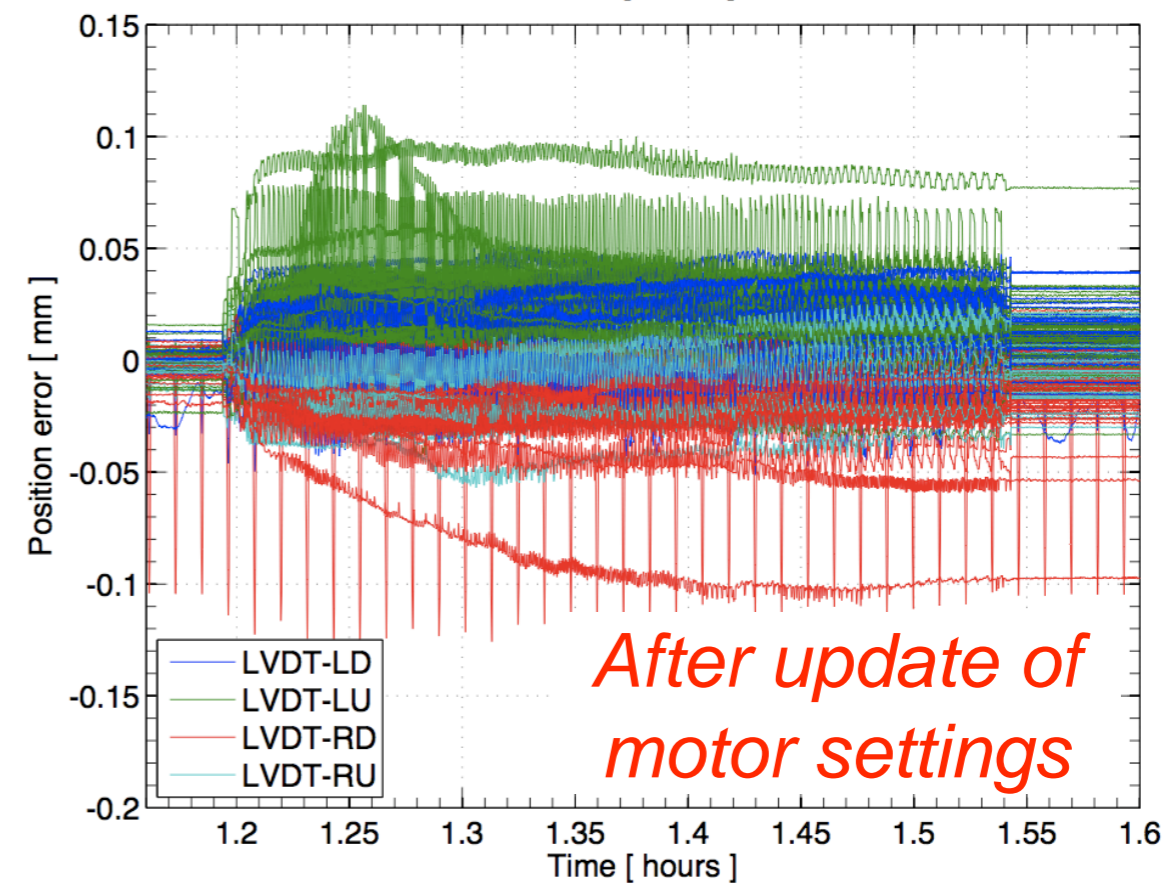
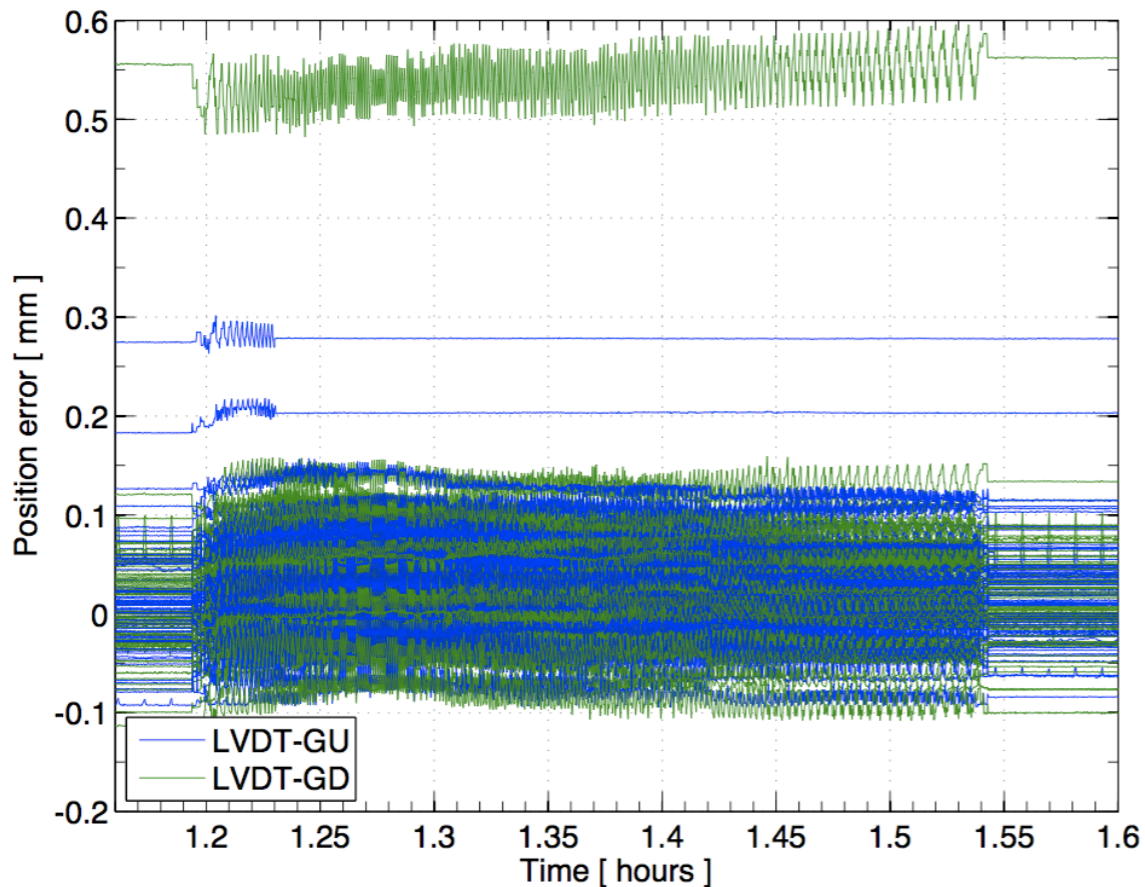
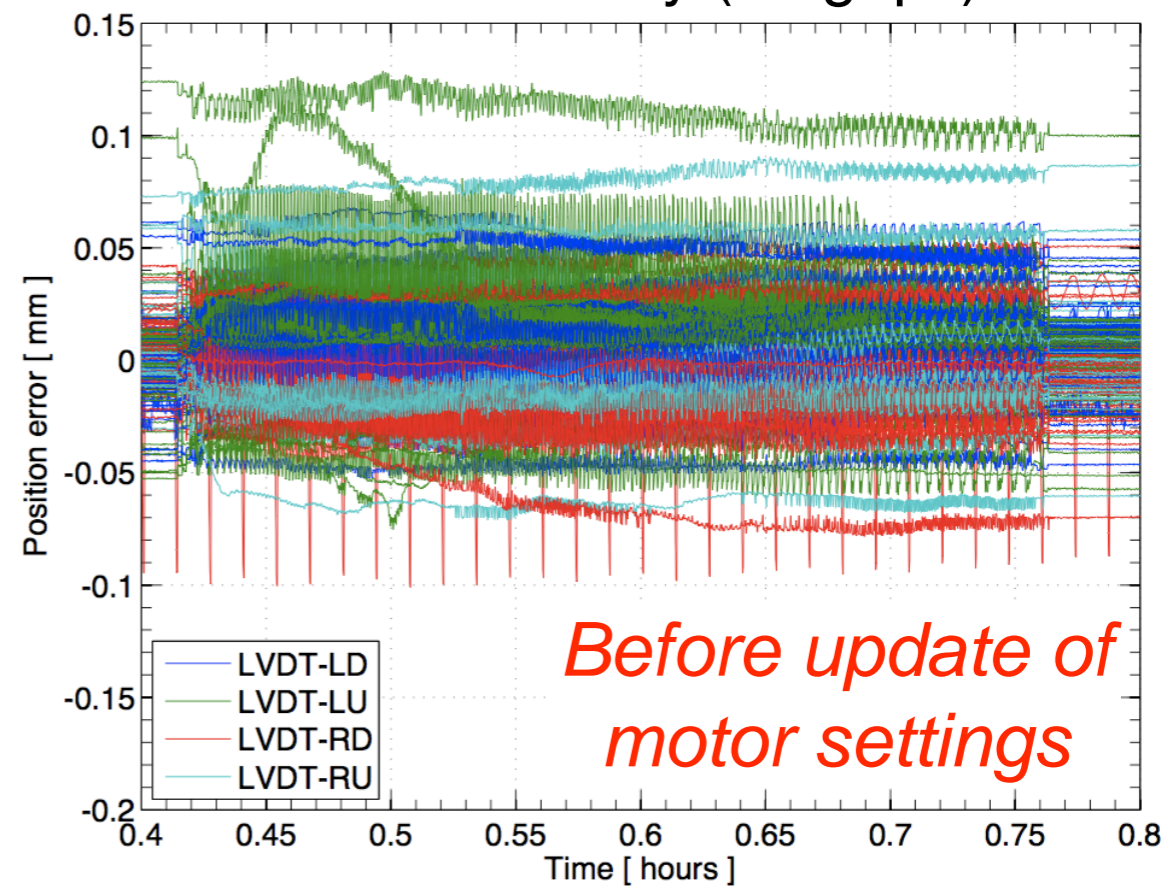
*Database definition of the parameter space and the associate makerules maintained by D. Jacquet, great support from LSA team!*

# Distribution of setting / LVDT errors

All sensors



Corners only (no gaps)





# Long term stability

