

# ATLAS Status Report

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## Outline:

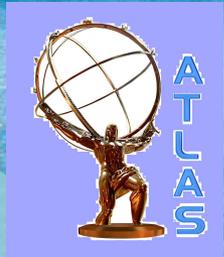
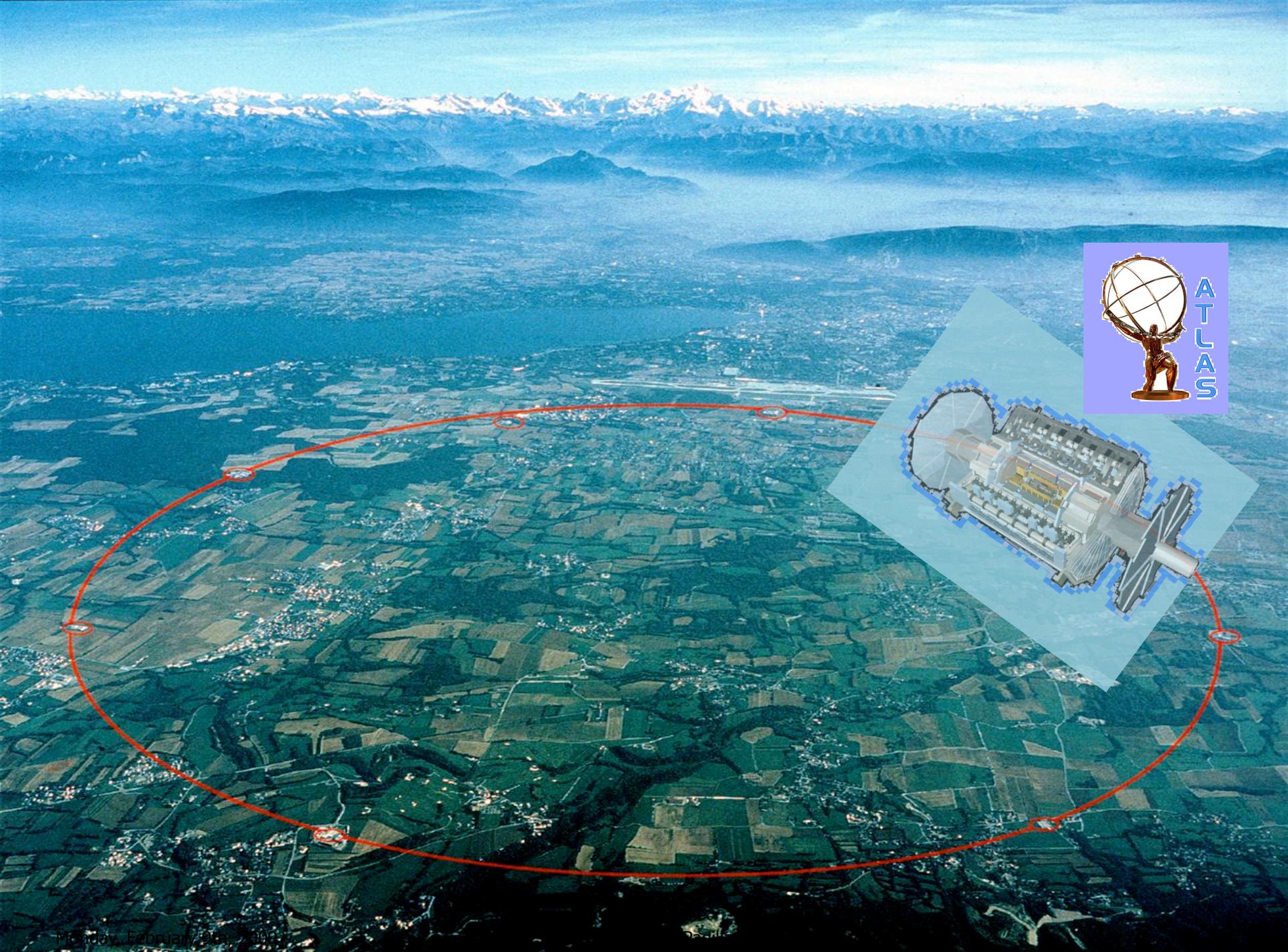
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# ATLAS Collaboration

**37 Countries**  
**169 Institutions**  
**2500 Scientific Authors total**  
**(1800 with a PhD, for M&O share)**



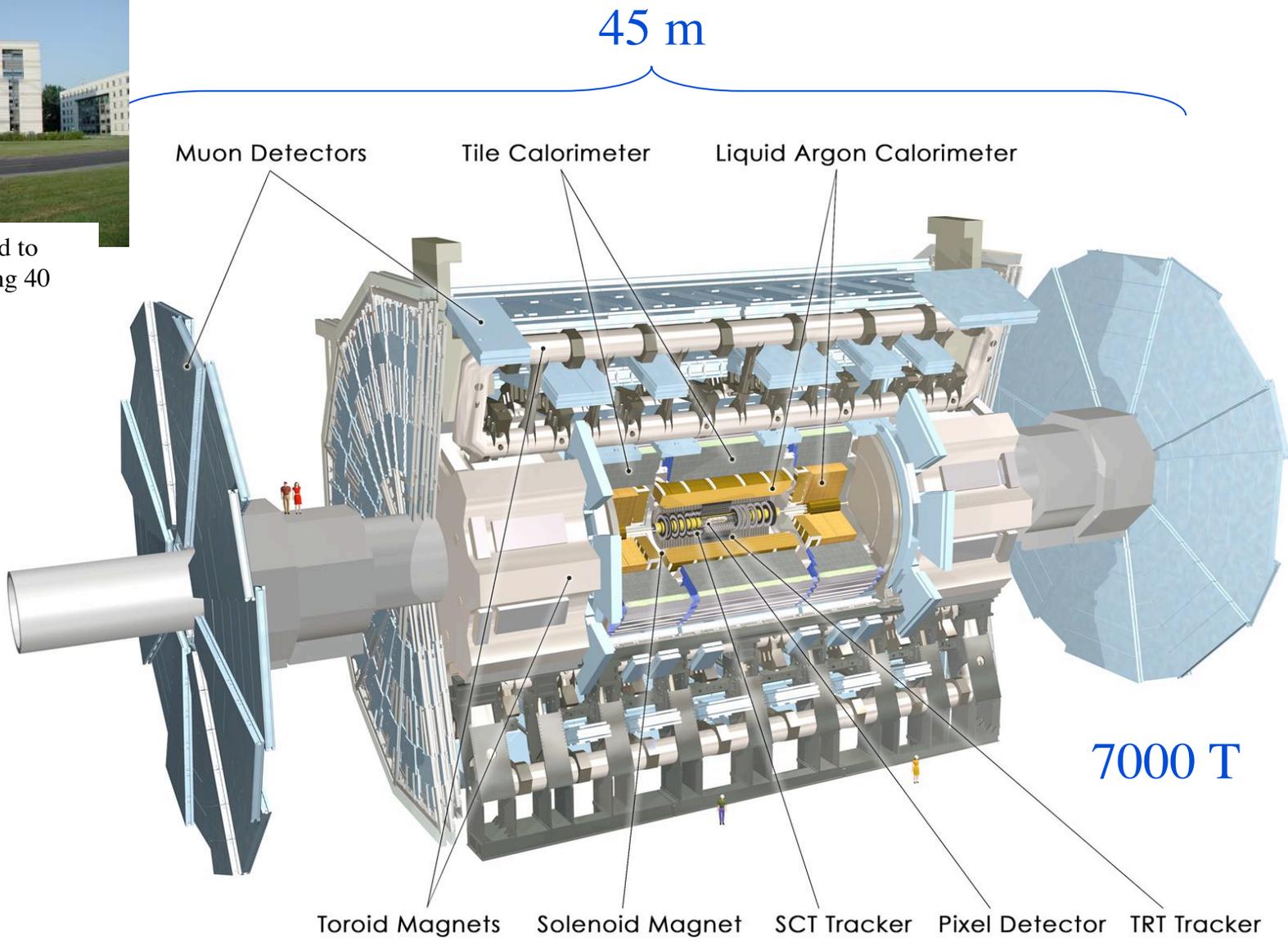
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# ATLAS Detector

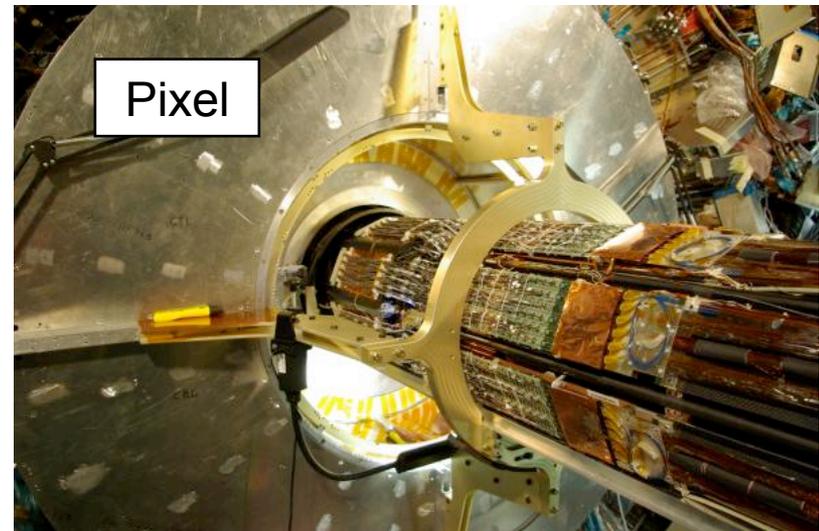
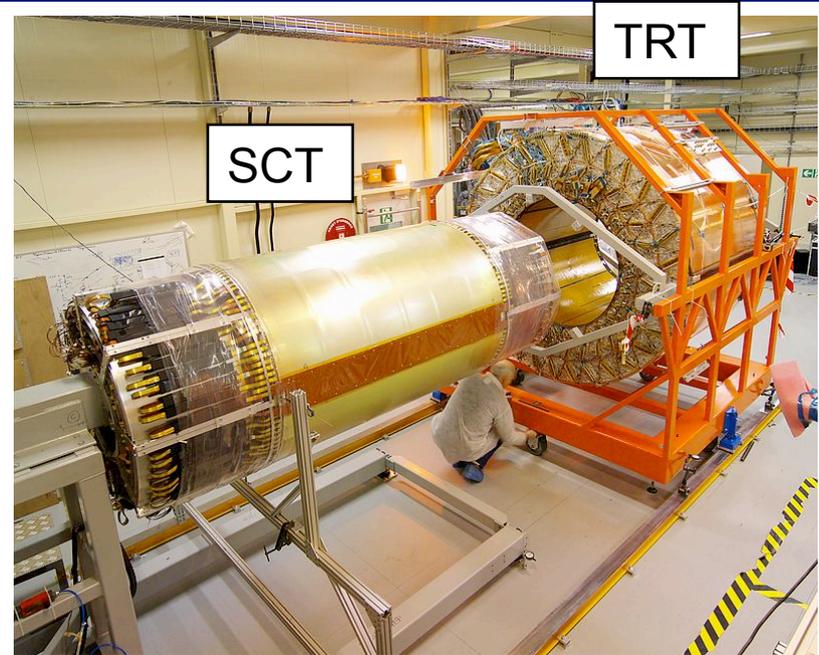
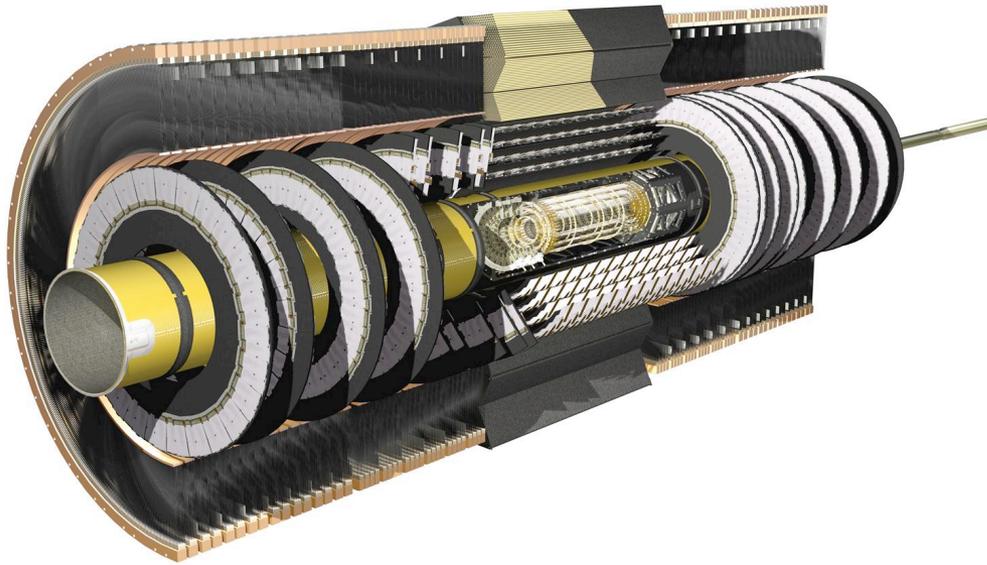


ATLAS superimposed to the 5 floors of building 40



# Inner Detector

Tracking  $|\eta| < 2.5$   $B=2T$

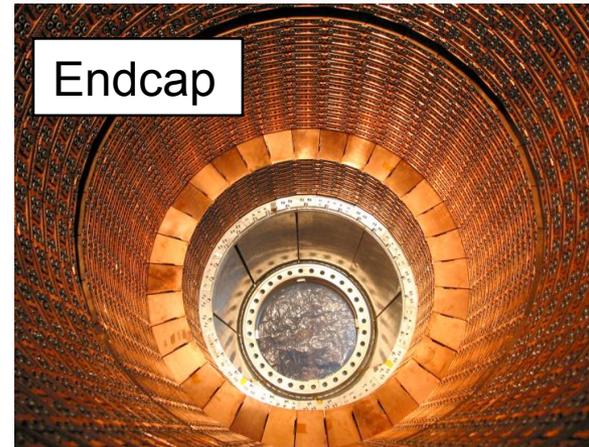
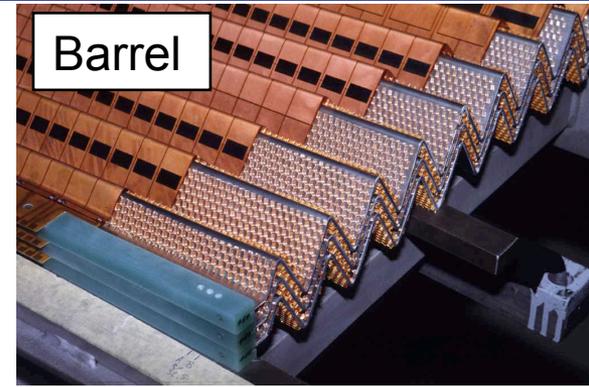
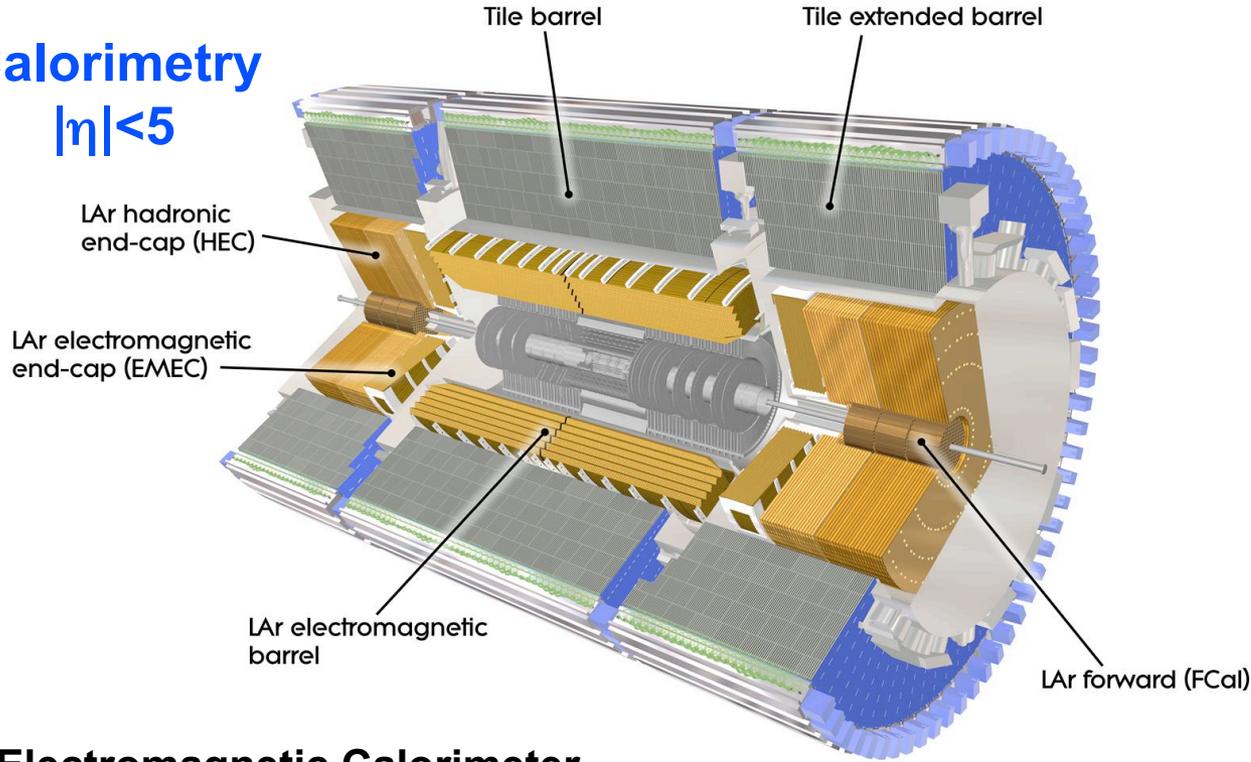


Silicon pixels (**Pixel**):  $0.8 \cdot 10^8$  channels  
Silicon strips (**SCT**):  $6 \cdot 10^6$  channels  
Transition Radiation Tracker (**TRT**):  
straw tubes (Xe),  $4 \cdot 10^5$  channels  
 $e/\pi$  separation

$$\sigma/p_T \sim 5 \times 10^{-4} p_T \oplus 0.01$$

# Calorimetry

## Calorimetry $|\eta| < 5$



### Electromagnetic Calorimeter

barrel, endcap: Pb-LAr

$\sim 10\%/\sqrt{E}$  energy resolution  $e/\gamma$

180000 channels: longitudinal segmentation

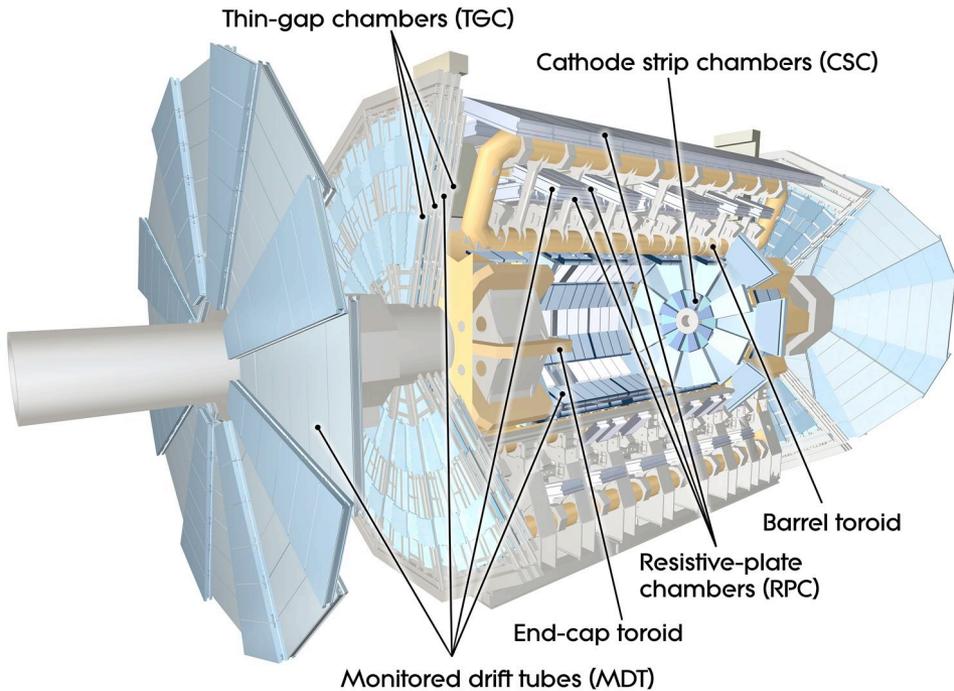
### Hadron Calorimeter

barrel Iron-Tile EC/Fwd Cu/W-LAr ( $\sim 20000$  channels)

$\sigma/E \sim 50\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.03 \text{ pion } (10 \lambda)$

Trigger for  $e/\gamma$ , jets, Missing  $E_T$

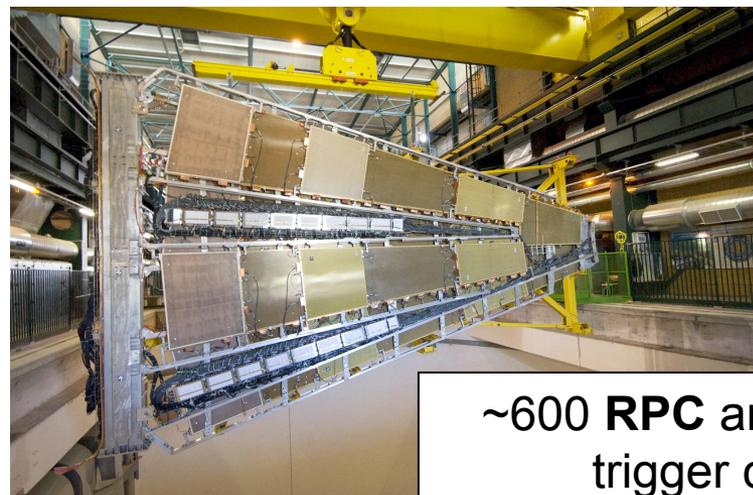
# Muon System



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

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

~1200 **MDT** precision chambers for  
track reconstruction (+ **CSC**)

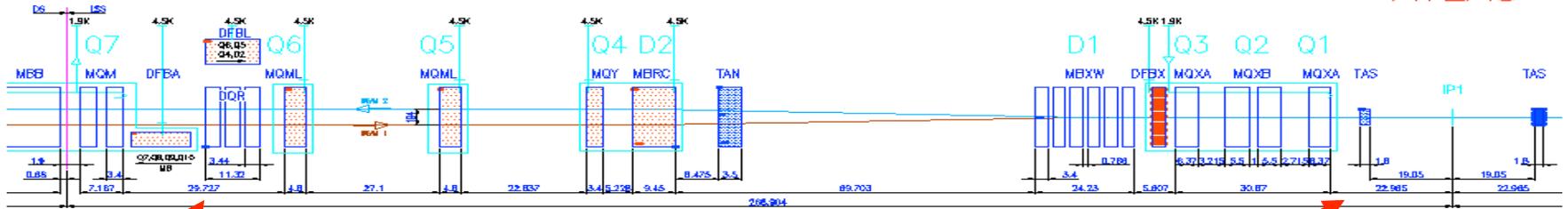


~600 **RPC** and ~3600 **TGC**  
trigger chambers



# Forward Detectors

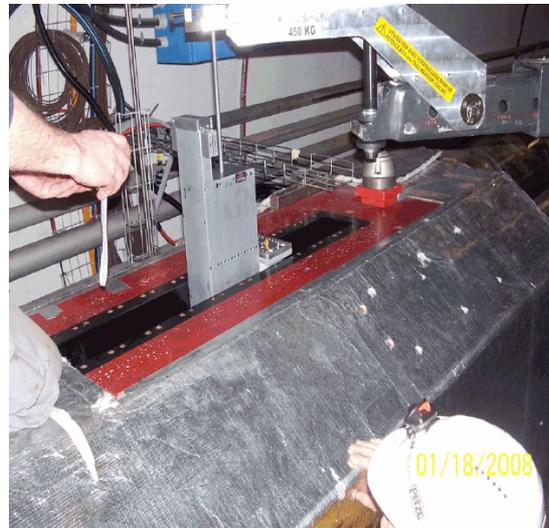
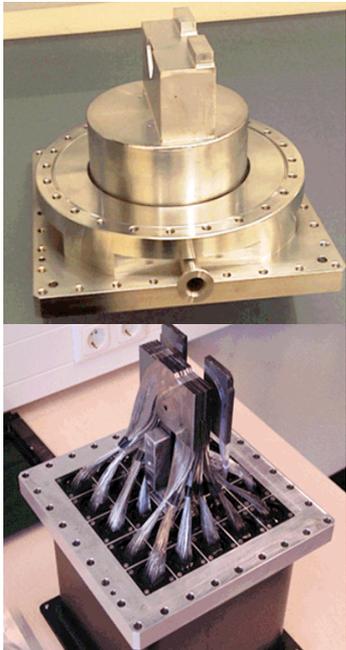
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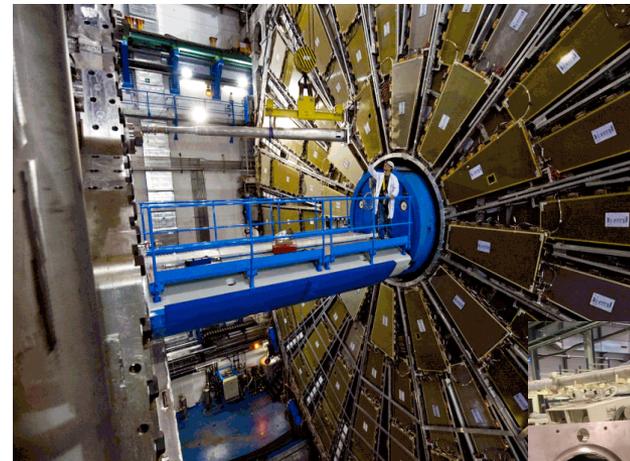
ALFA at 240 m

ZDC at 140 m

LUCID at 17 m



Zero Degree Calorimeter

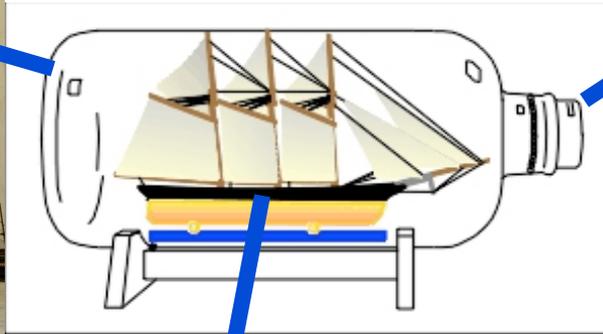


Luminosity Cerenkov Integrating Detector



Absolute Luminosity for ATLAS

# Short History of the Construction & Installation



**JUNE 2003**

Cavern

92m underground

55m long

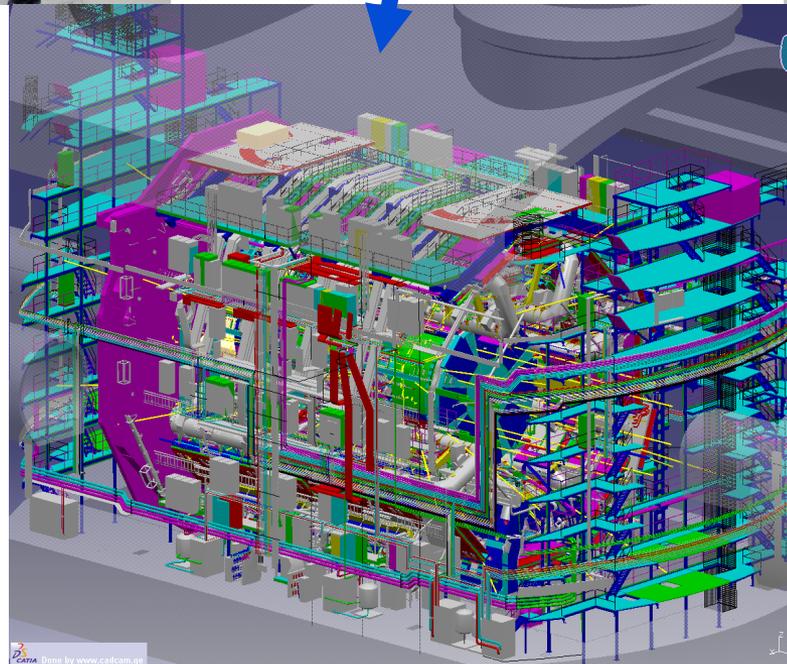
32m wide

35m high

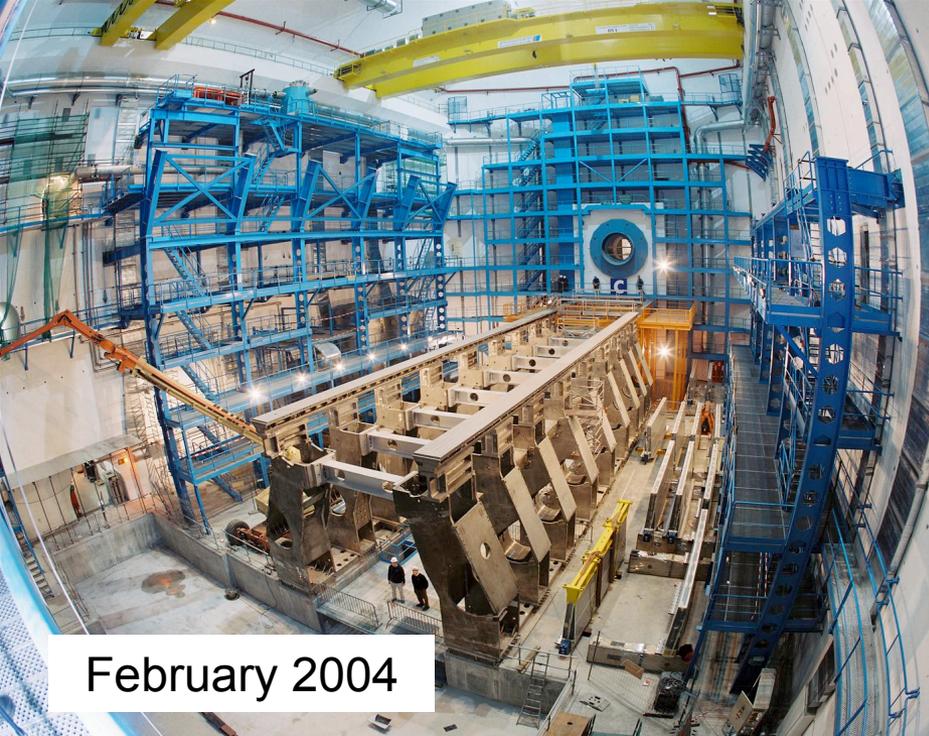
Shafts

Height 57 m

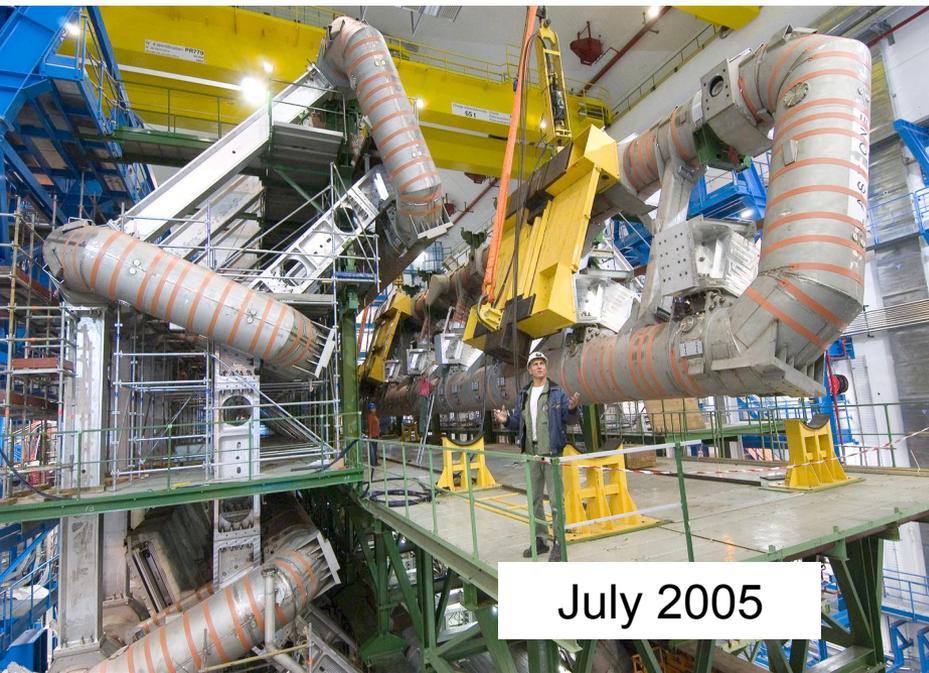
Radius 14 m



**Today  
ATLAS  
is built**



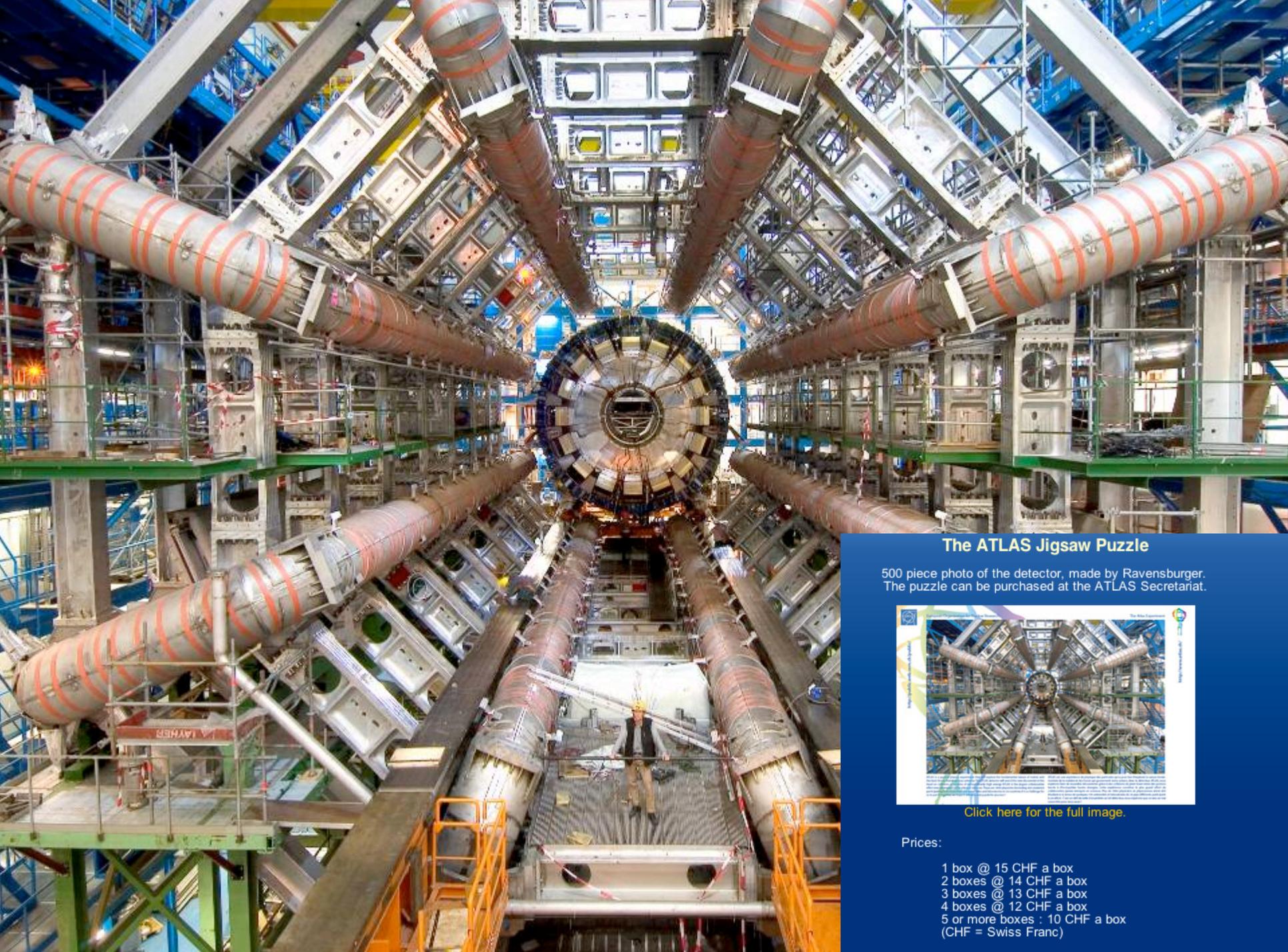
February 2004



July 2005



October 2004



### The ATLAS Jigsaw Puzzle

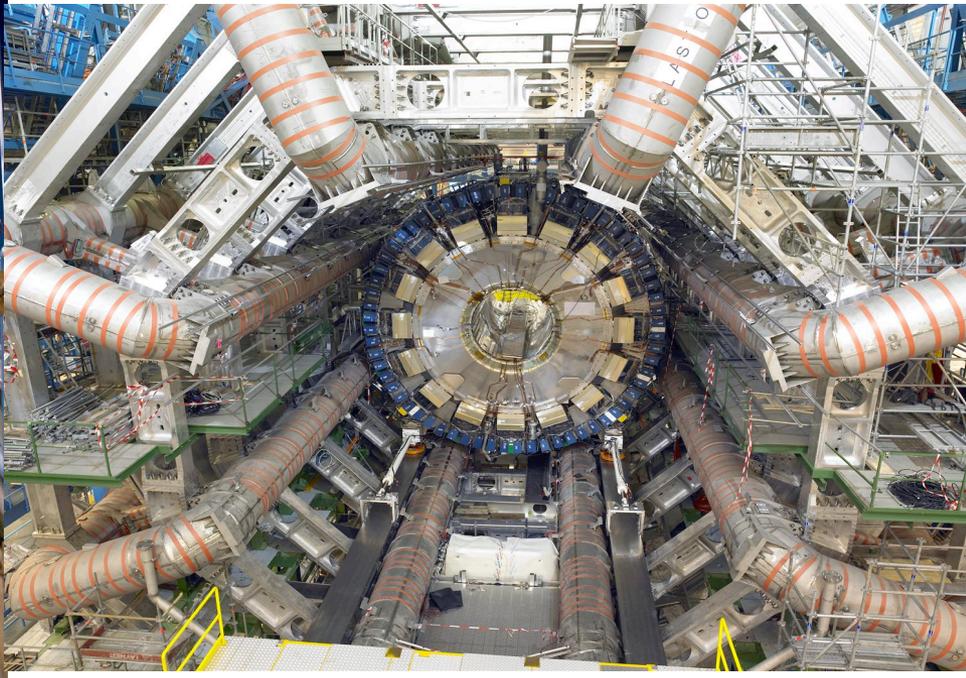
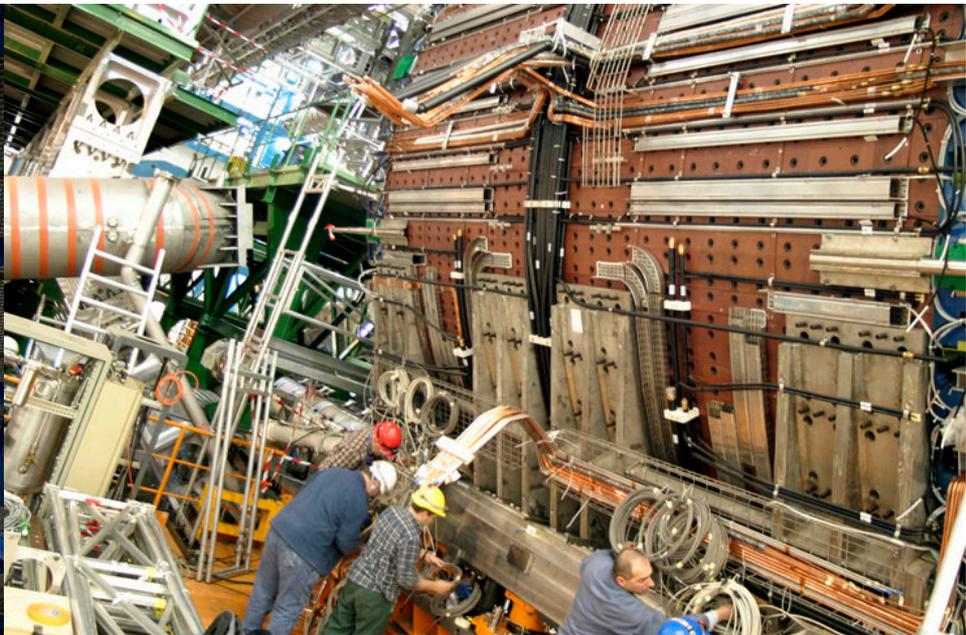
500 piece photo of the detector, made by Ravensburger.  
The puzzle can be purchased at the ATLAS Secretariat.



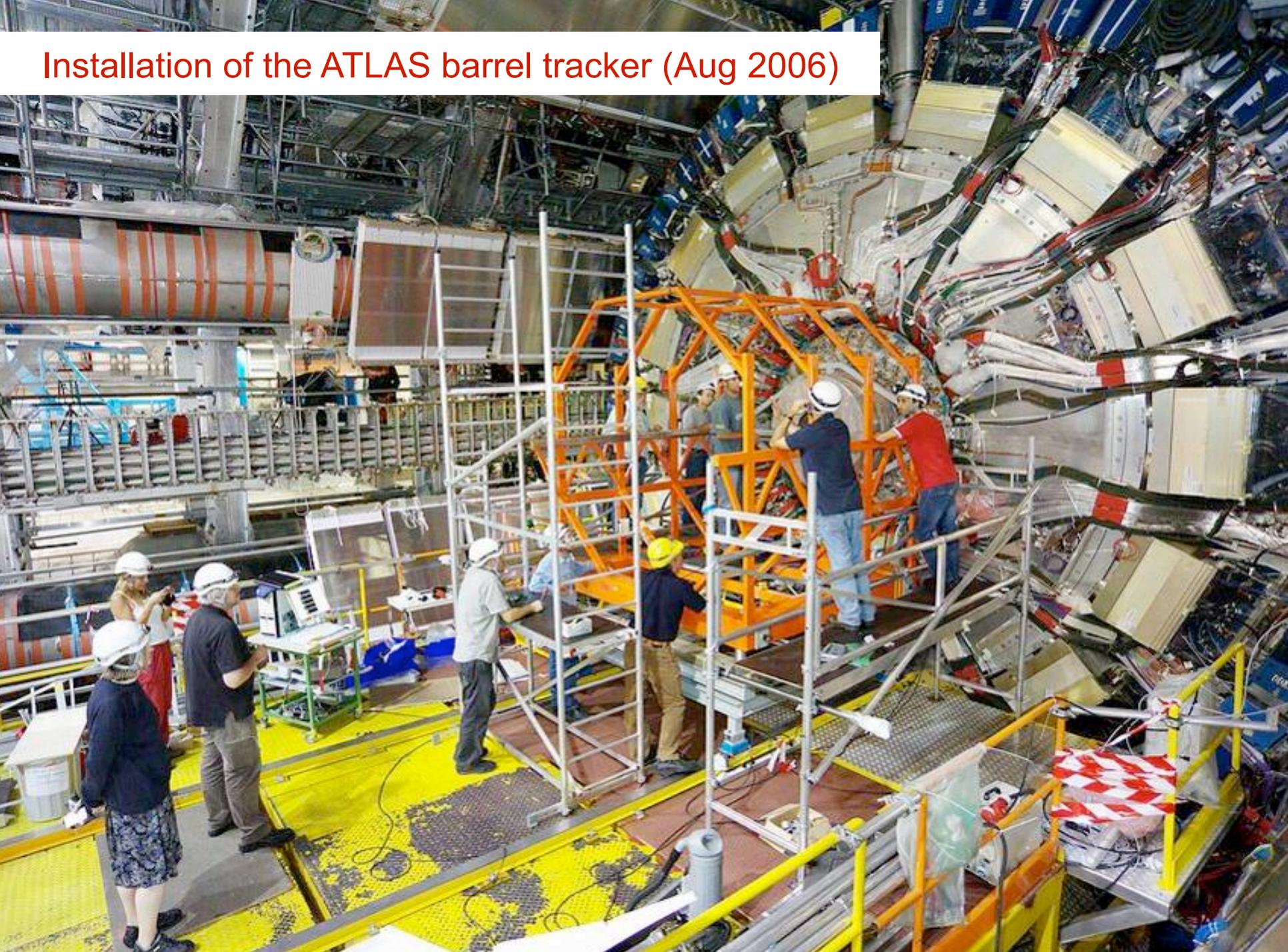
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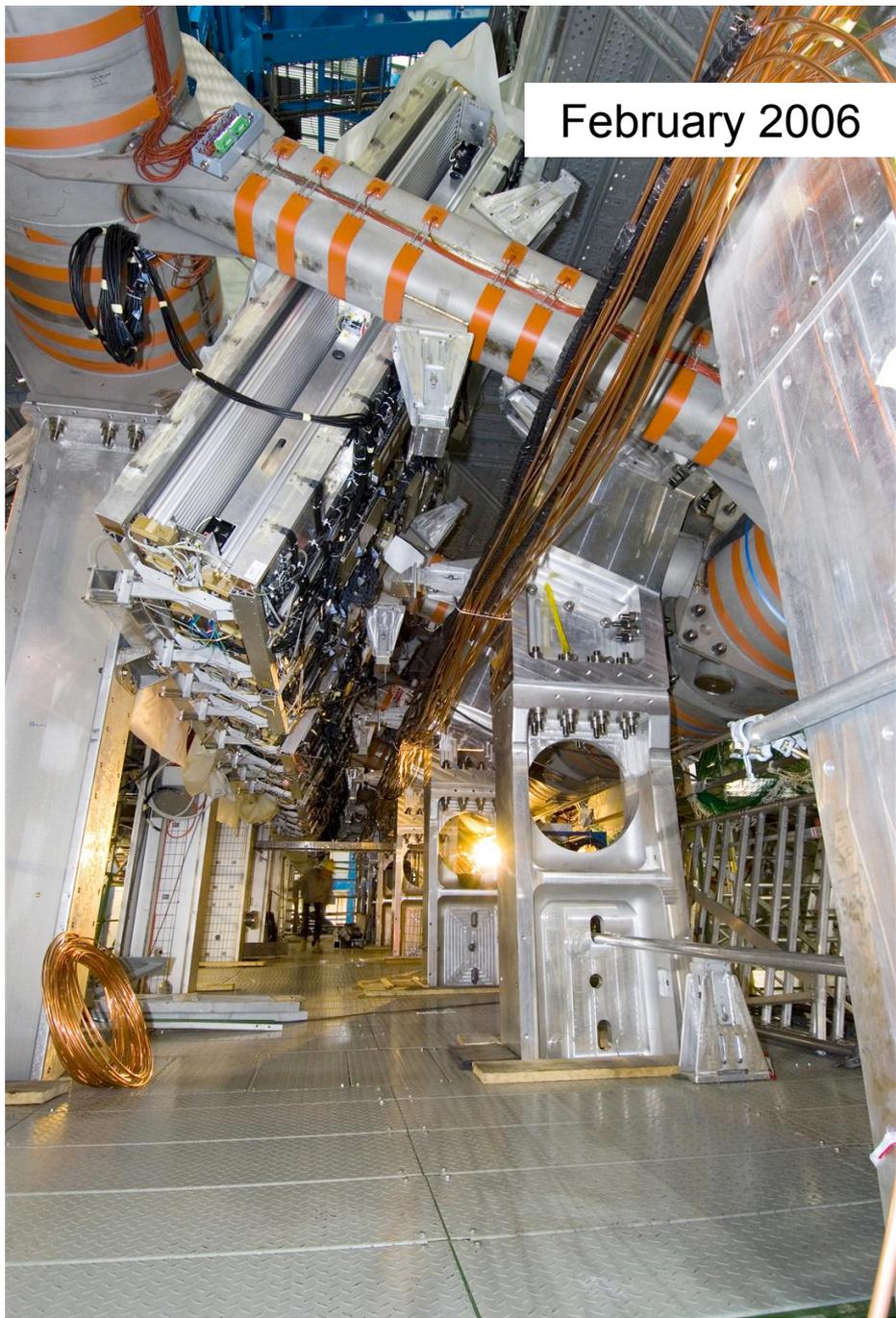
Prices:

- 1 box @ 15 CHF a box
- 2 boxes @ 14 CHF a box
- 3 boxes @ 13 CHF a box
- 4 boxes @ 12 CHF a box
- 5 or more boxes : 10 CHF a box  
(CHF = Swiss Franc)



Installation of the ATLAS barrel tracker (Aug 2006)

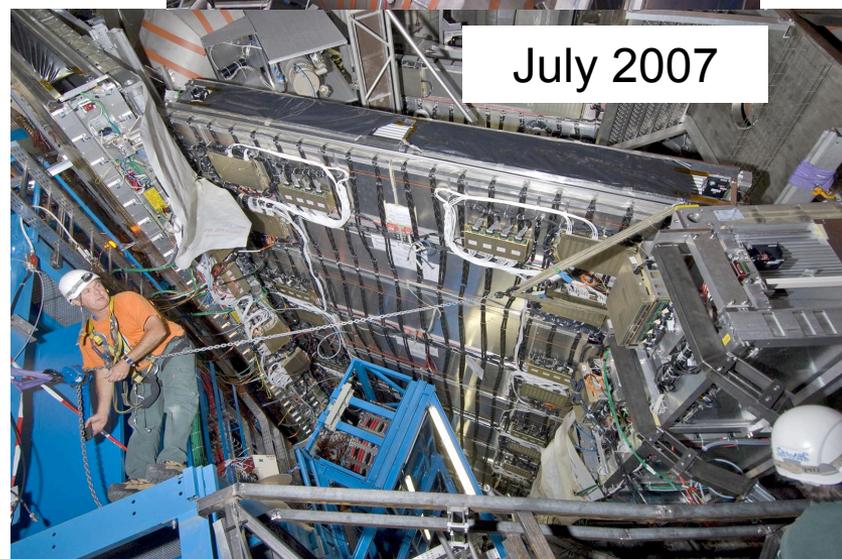




February 2006

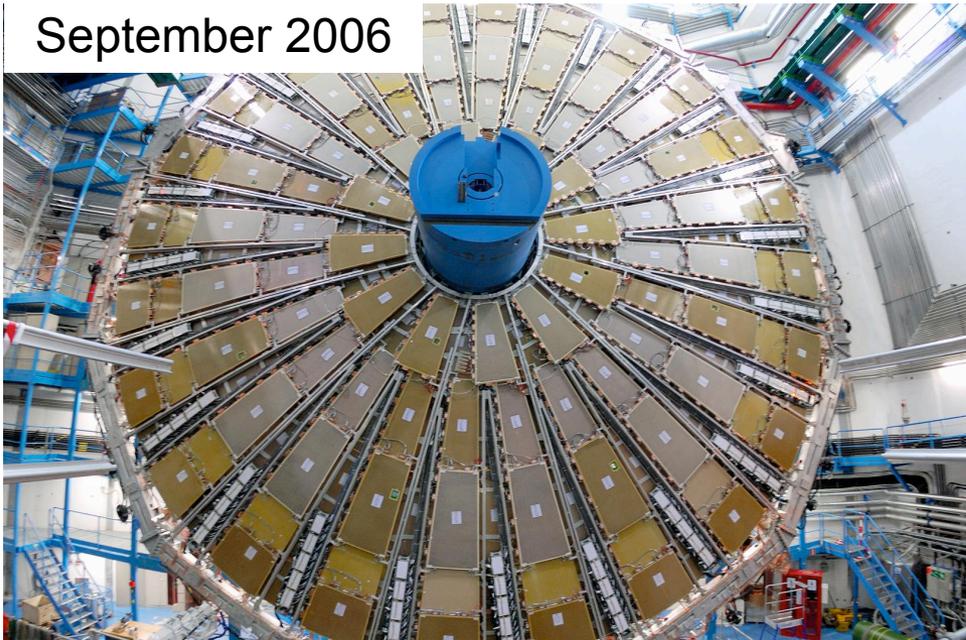


October 2006



July 2007

September 2006



September 2007



February 2008



# A Historical Day



**Closure of the LHC beam pipe ring  
on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2008 (the last piece was  
the one shown here in ATLAS)**

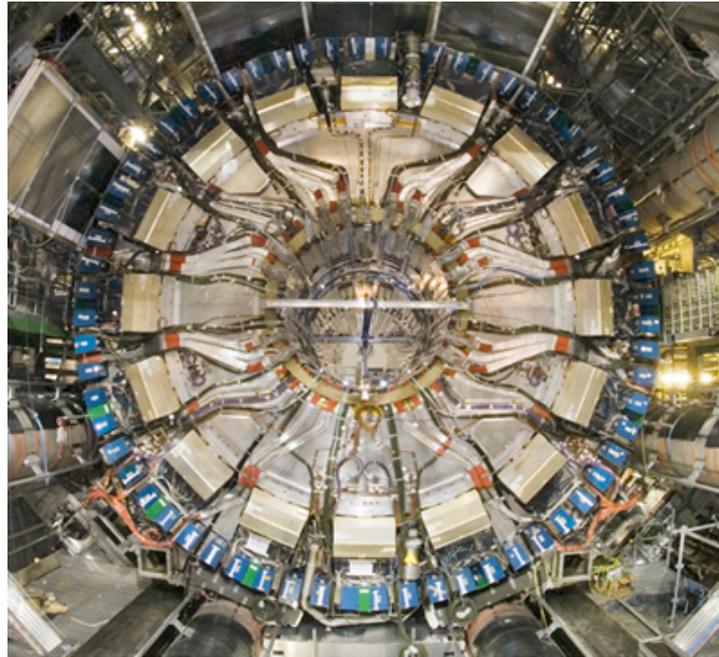
# Hardware Readiness: Liquid Argon Calorimeters

## Installation in the cavern

Barrel in October 2004,  
End-caps by 2006

## Electronics equipment completed

Back-End May 2007  
Front-End April 2008  
(some refurbishment was needed)



Since May 2008

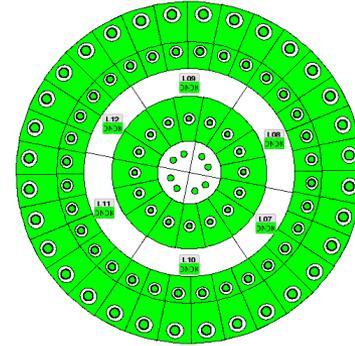
full calorimeter up, integrated in DAQ, slow control  
in steady running mode

~190.000 channels read-out

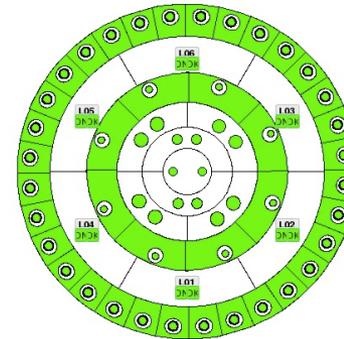
~0.02% dead (isolated) channels

+ ~1.5% ( $\frac{1}{2}$  barrel module - power supply control lost)  
being repaired during the currently ongoing shutdown

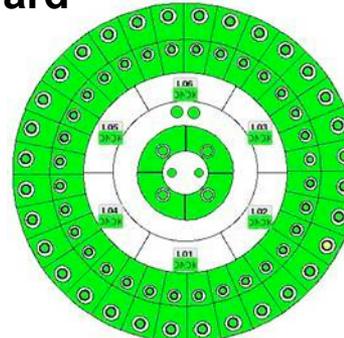
EM Barrel



EM EndCap



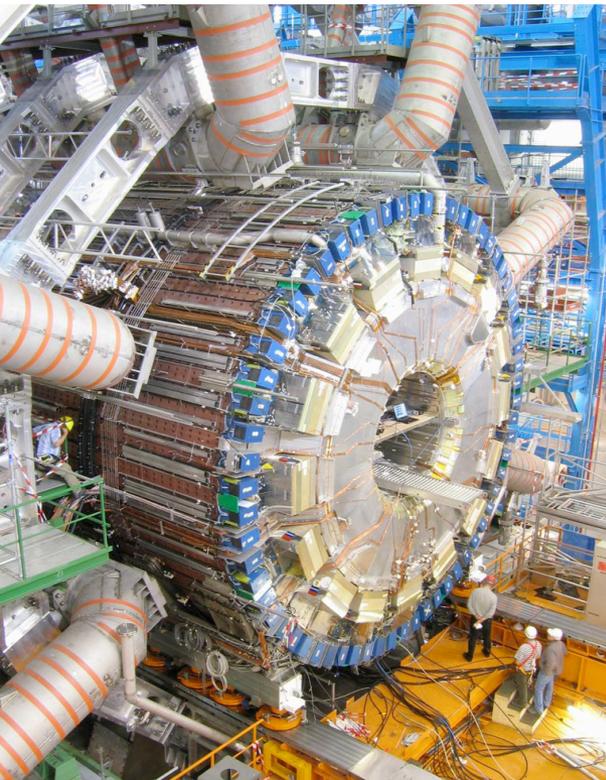
Had. EndCap &  
Forward



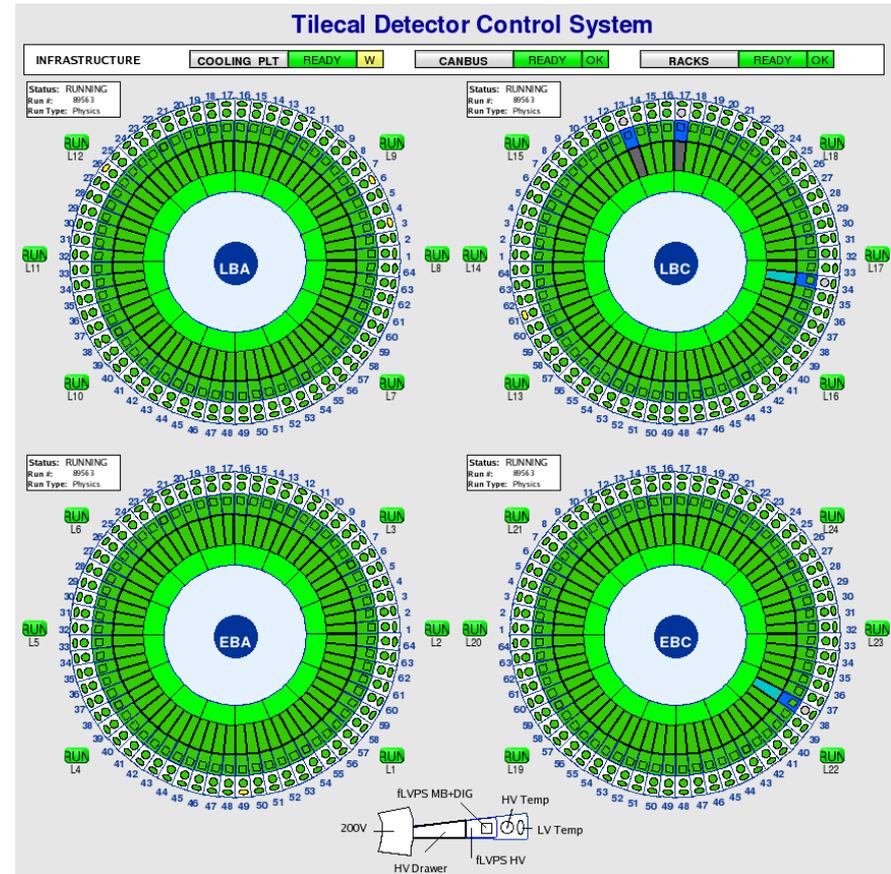
# Hardware Readiness: Tile Calorimeter

## Installation in the cavern

Ext. Barrel C December 2004  
Barrel October 2005  
Ext. Barrel A May 2006



**Electronics  
equipment  
completed**  
May 2008  
(some  
refurbishment  
was needed)



**full calorimeter up and running, integrated in DAQ**

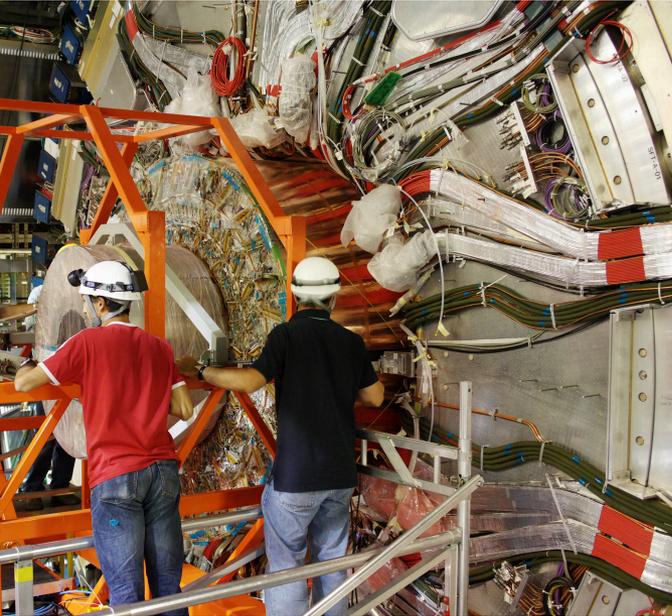
**~10000 PMTs → 5000 cells**

**~0.2% dead (isolated) cells and 2 of 256 sectors off –  
power supply problem**

**Being repaired during the shutdown**

# Hardware Readiness: Inner Detector

TRT/SCT installed Aug 2006



Pixel installed June 2007



Only limited running before the LHC startup because of the several cooling problems in the silicon detectors that needed some R&D to be solved

April/May 2008



ID volume sealed  
complex End-Plate with 1000  
feed-throughs

# Hardware Readiness: Inner Detector

- **Solenoid field:** mapping done with precision  $\sim 10^{-4}$
- **Pixel**  $\sim 0.6\%$  dead/problematic channels  
except EndCap wheel A:  $\sim 4.2\%$  (+  $8.3\%$  if cooling loop inoperable)
- **SCT** barrel  $\sim 0.35\%$ , end-caps  $\sim 0.26\%$  dead/problematic channels  
except EndCap wheel C:  $\sim 1.6\%$  ( $1.3\%$  due to cooling loop failure)
- **TRT** : dead channels 1.2-2.0%,
- The critical path issue was the evaporative cooling system repair and cleaning of the plant, after a failure on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2008, which ended late July
- Priority then given to Pixel operation
  - First to safely bake-out the beam pipe (early August)
  - Then to operate the full detector (for the first time in September/October)
- All ID sub-detectors integrated in the ATLAS DAQ and took significant data
- The TX plug-ins (opto-transmitter) remain an issue; they are dying at a significant rate
  - Off-detector: they affect both SCT and Pixel
  - A new production is now planned.

# Hardware Readiness: Muon System



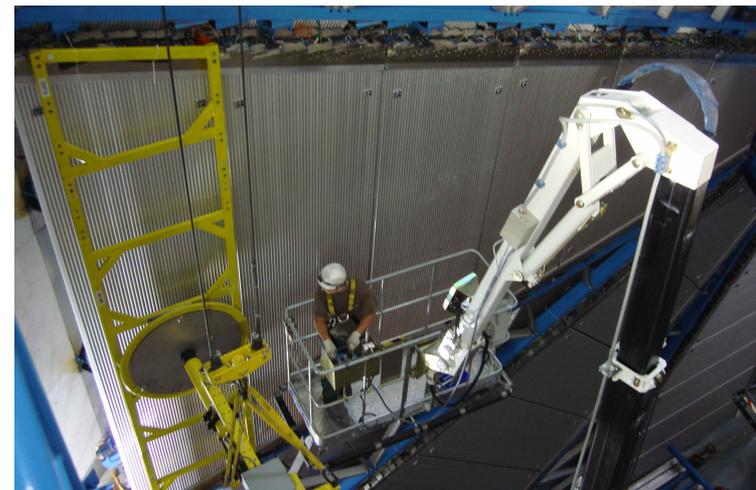
Chamber Installed  
February 2005

All chambers installed  
(few chambers staged to 09)

All wheels to final position  
before 2008 LHC run

Most alignment rays are  
operational

Good results:  $\sim 200 \mu\text{m}$



Magnetic field measurement  
< 5% of probes lost  
 $\Delta B/B = 1.5\%$

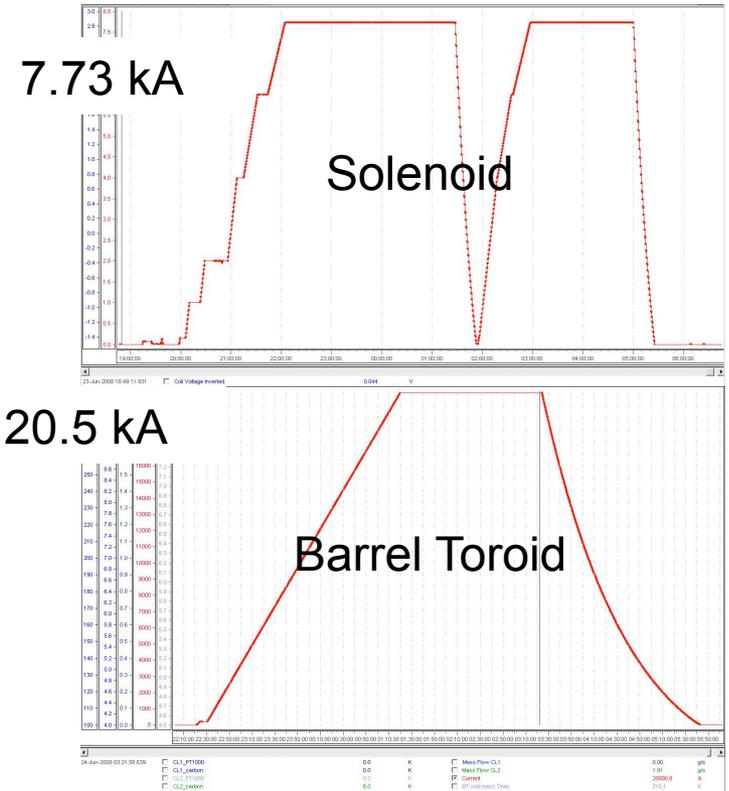


Last Muon Chamber  
Installed July 1st 08

Very few bad channels  
Few chambers with problem  
(gas leak, overpressure accident,...)  
Some loss of redundancy but  
no acceptance hole

# Toroids and Solenoid Magnet Systems

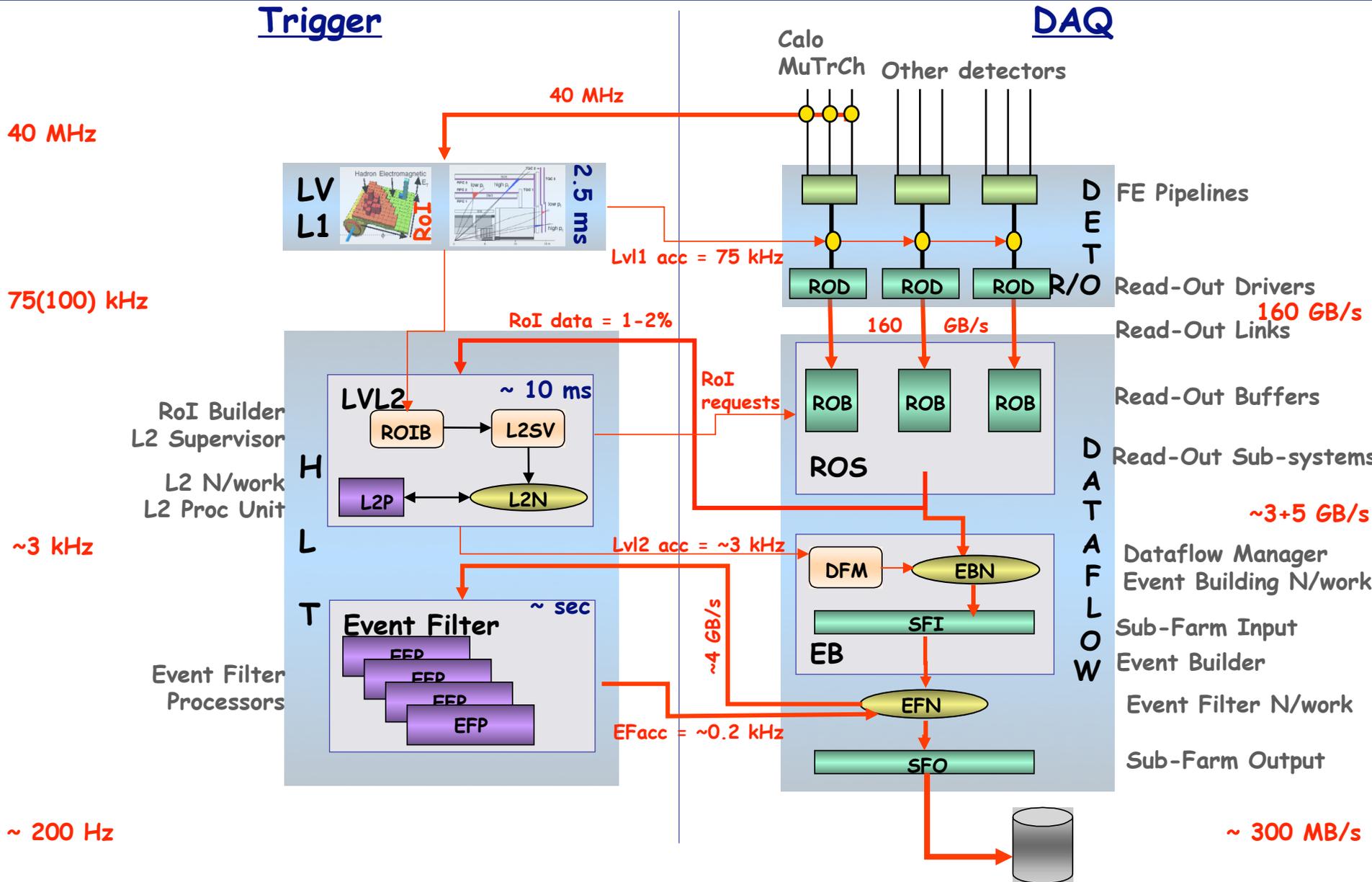
- Central Solenoid up to full field at 7.73 kA nominal in Aug 06
- Barrel Toroid up to full field at 20.5 kA nominal in Nov 06
- EndCap-C Toroid up to full field at 20.5 kA nominal in June 08



## EndCap-A Toroid

Leak in electrical pipe isolators - 23<sup>rd</sup> May  
Toroid warmed-up/repaired/cooled - 20<sup>th</sup> July  
EndCap-A tested up to 21kA – 23<sup>rd</sup> July  
Combined test of 3 magnets at 15kA - 31<sup>st</sup> July  
Operated during the cosmic run in September

# Trigger/DAQ Architecture

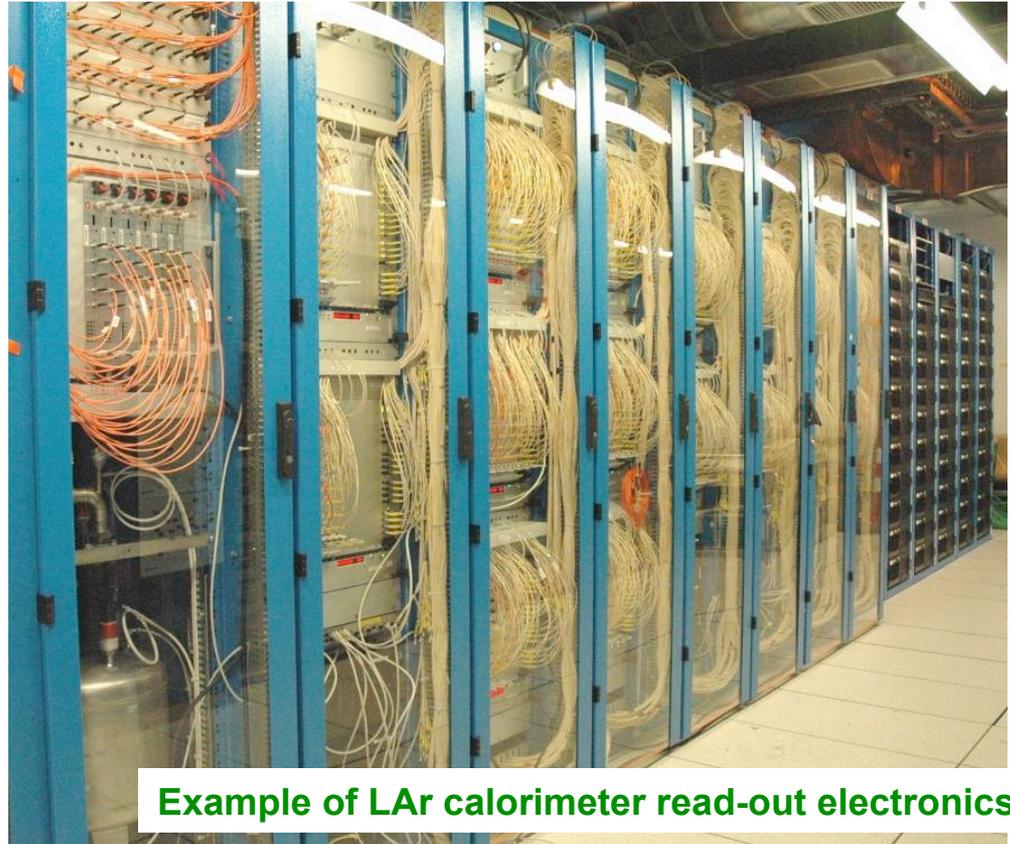


# Trigger/DAQ Architecture

The read-out electronics, trigger, DAQ and detector control systems have been brought into operation gradually over the past years, along with the detector commissioning with cosmics



**Example of Level-1 Trigger electronics**



**Example of LAr calorimeter read-out electronics**

**In total about 300 racks with electronics in the underground counting rooms**

## HLT Farms

Final size for max L1 rate

*~ 500 PCs for L2 + ~ 1800 PCs for EF*

*(multi-core technology)*

850 PCs installed

**total of 27 XPU racks = 35% of final system**

*(1 rack = 31 PCs)*

*(XPU = can be connected to L2 or EF)*

- **x 8 cores**
- **CPU: 2 x Intel Harpertown quad-core 2.5 GHz**
- **RAM: 2 GB / core, i.e. 16 GB**

**Final system : total of 17 L2 + 62 EF racks**

*of which 28 (of 79) racks as XPU*

# Final Dress Rehearsal

- Played data through the computing system just as for real data from the LHC
  - Starting at point 1
  - Processed data at CERN Tier-0
  - Shipped up to Tier-1 and Tier-2s for physics analysis
- Complementary to other commissioning activities with cosmics
- Two FDR runs (February and June-July 2008)

ATLAS output disk (point-1)



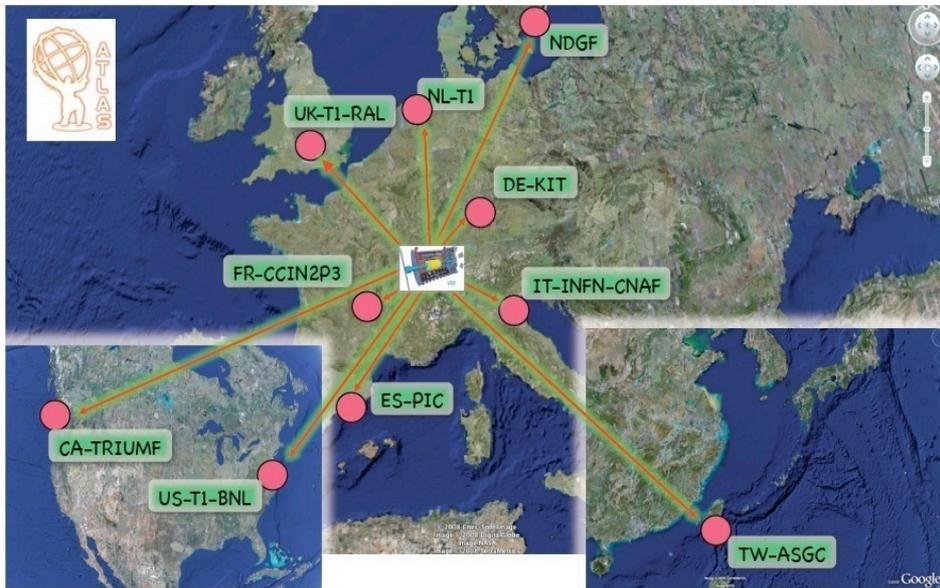
Tier-0 and CAF



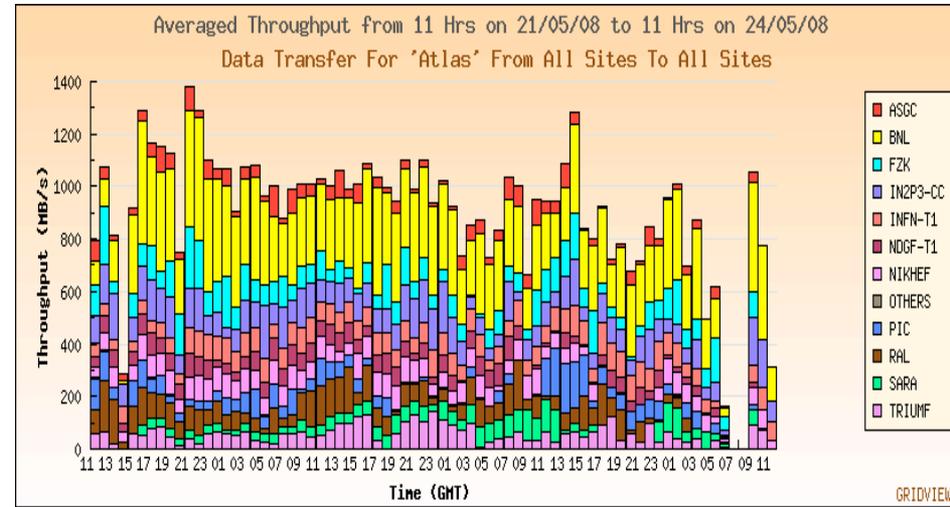
Tier-1 and Tier-2 sites

# Final Dress Rehearsal

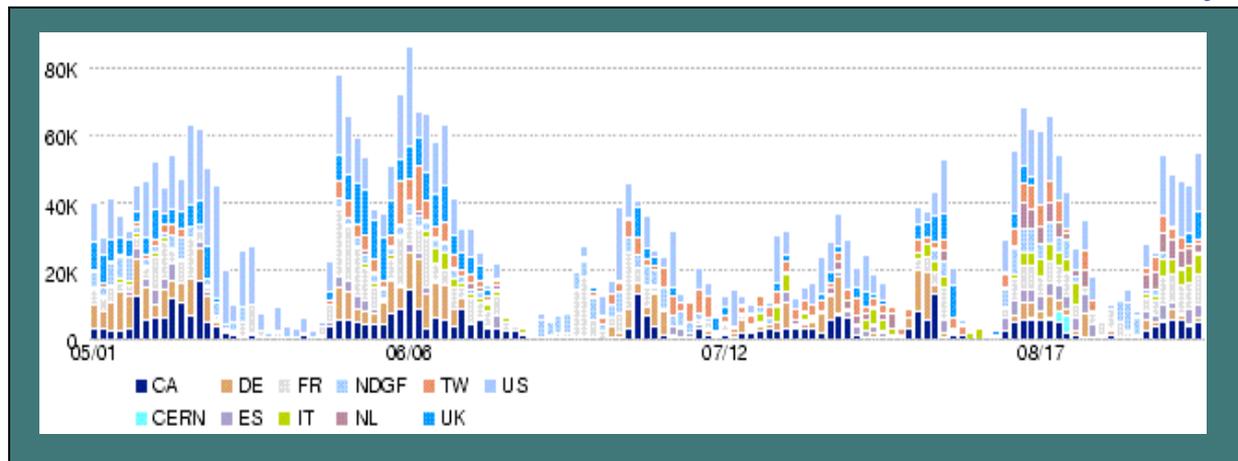
wLCG Grid: Tier-0 and the 10 ATLAS Tier-1s



Data transfer Tier0--> Tiers-1

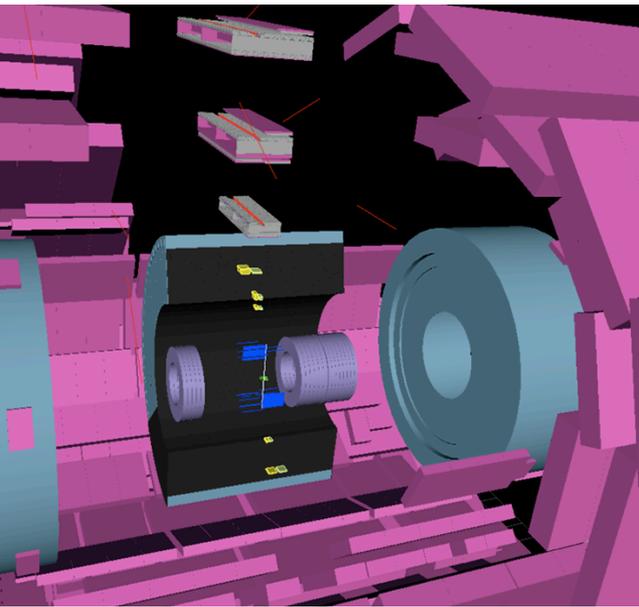


Nominal peak level (~1 GB/s) sustained over 3 days

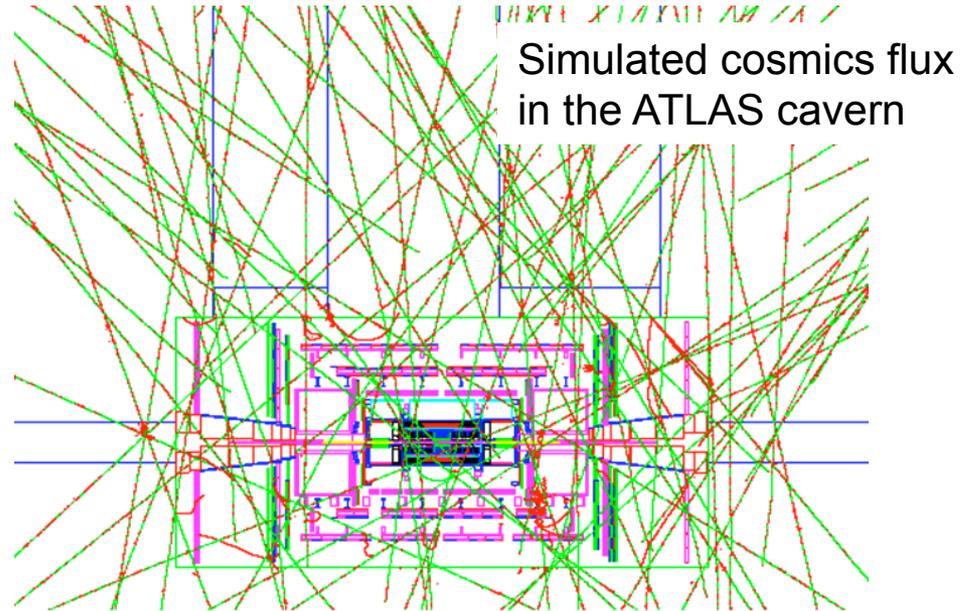


Number of world-wide ATLAS production jobs per day from 1 May to 5 September 2008

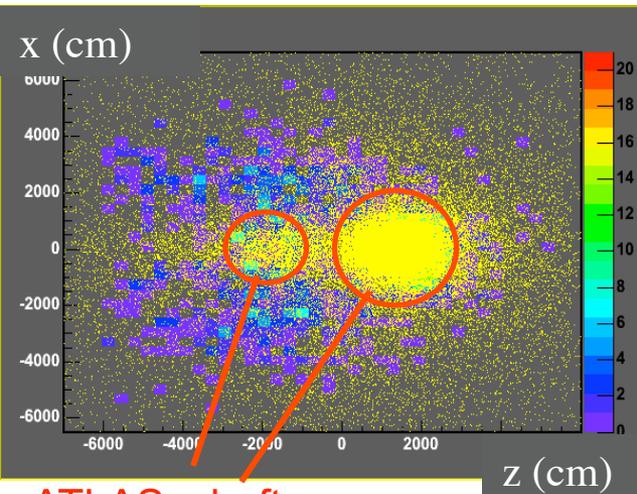
# Commissioning with Cosmics



Real Cosmic Event



Simulated cosmic flux  
in the ATLAS cavern



ATLAS shafts

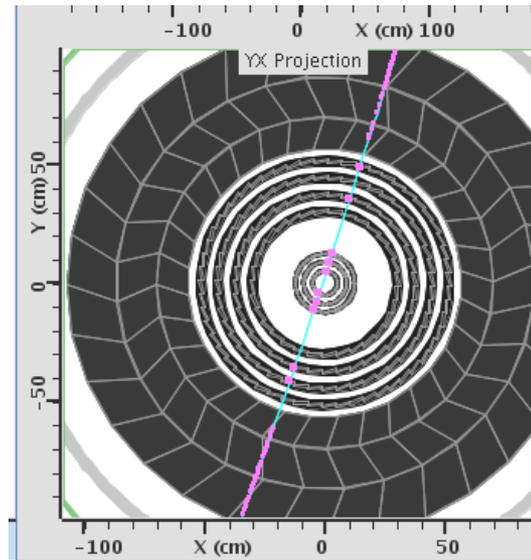
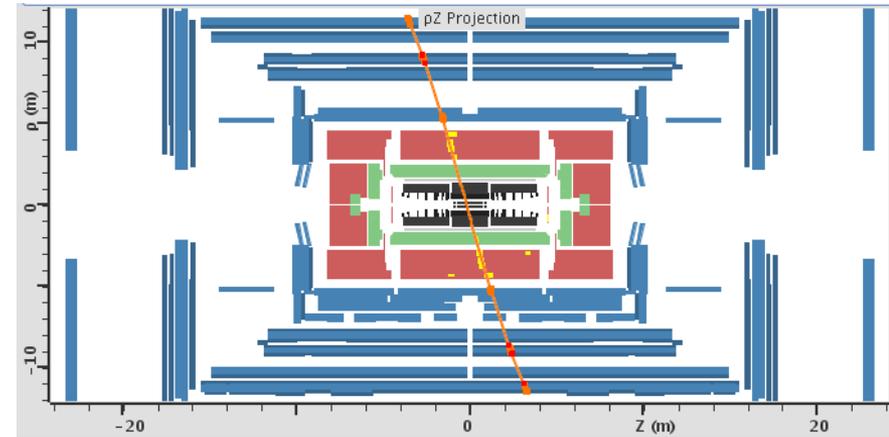
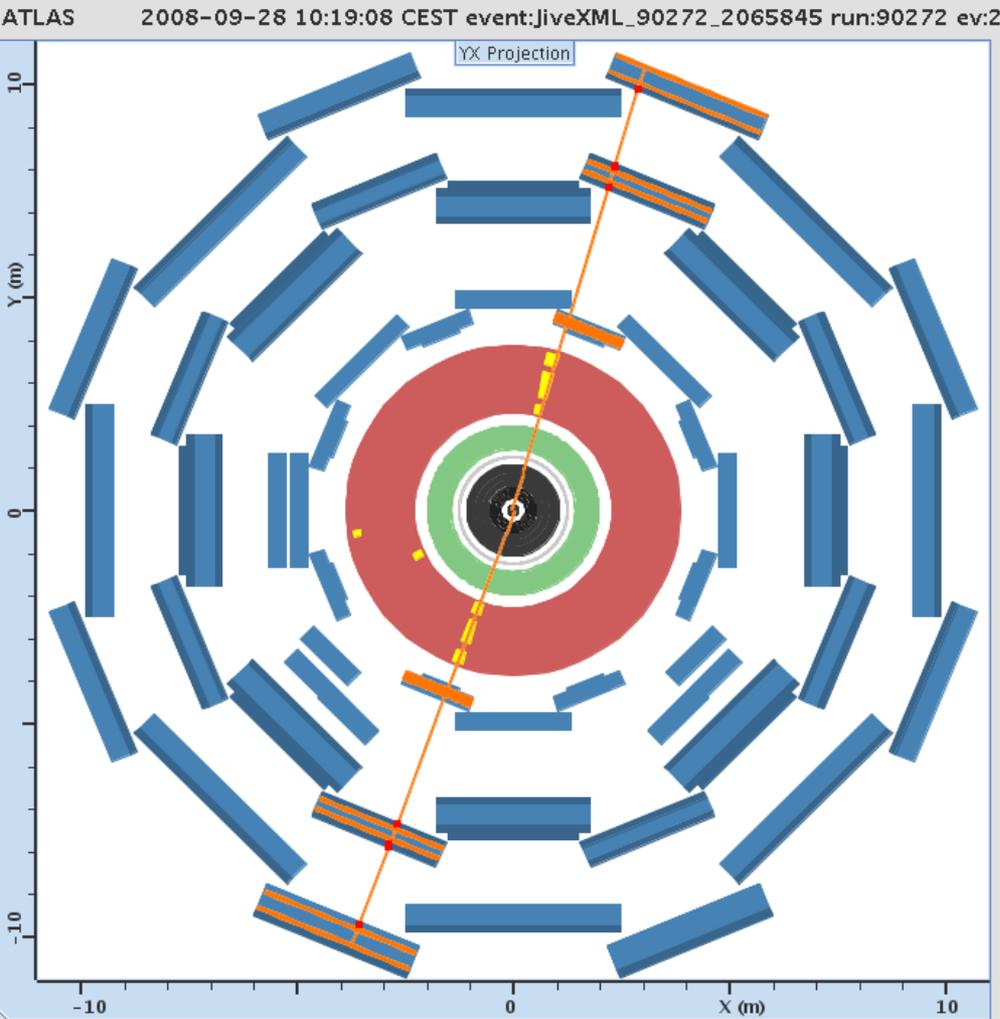
Muon impact points extrapolated  
to surface as measured by  
Muon Trigger chambers (RPC)

(Calorimeter trigger also available)

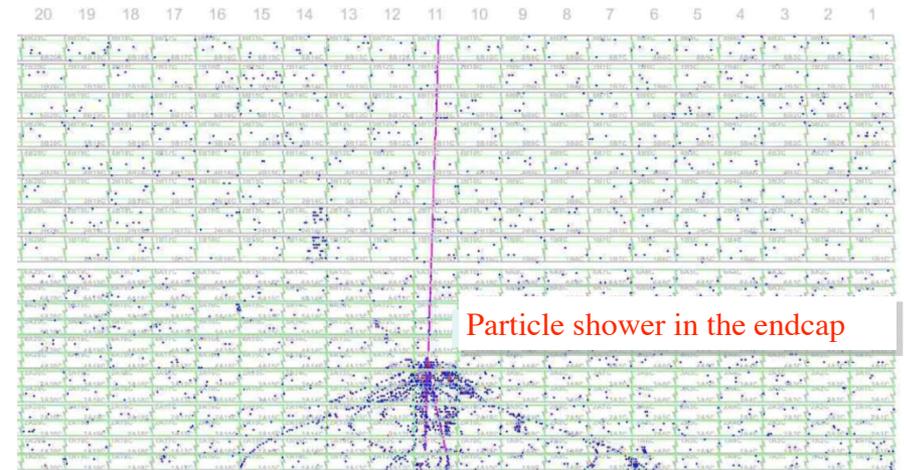
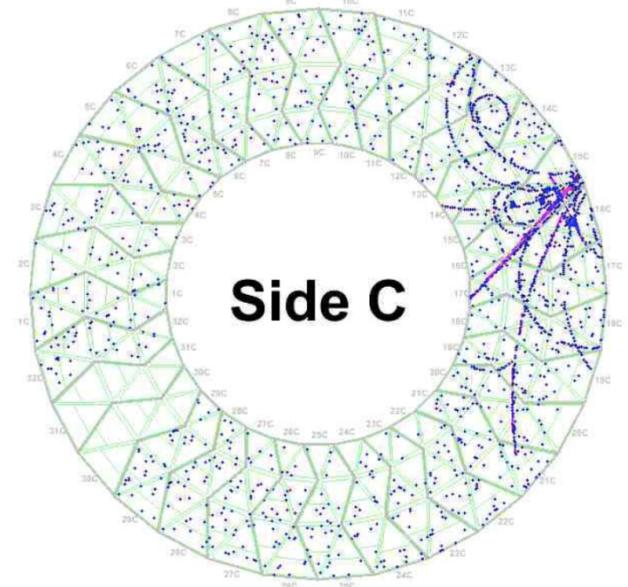
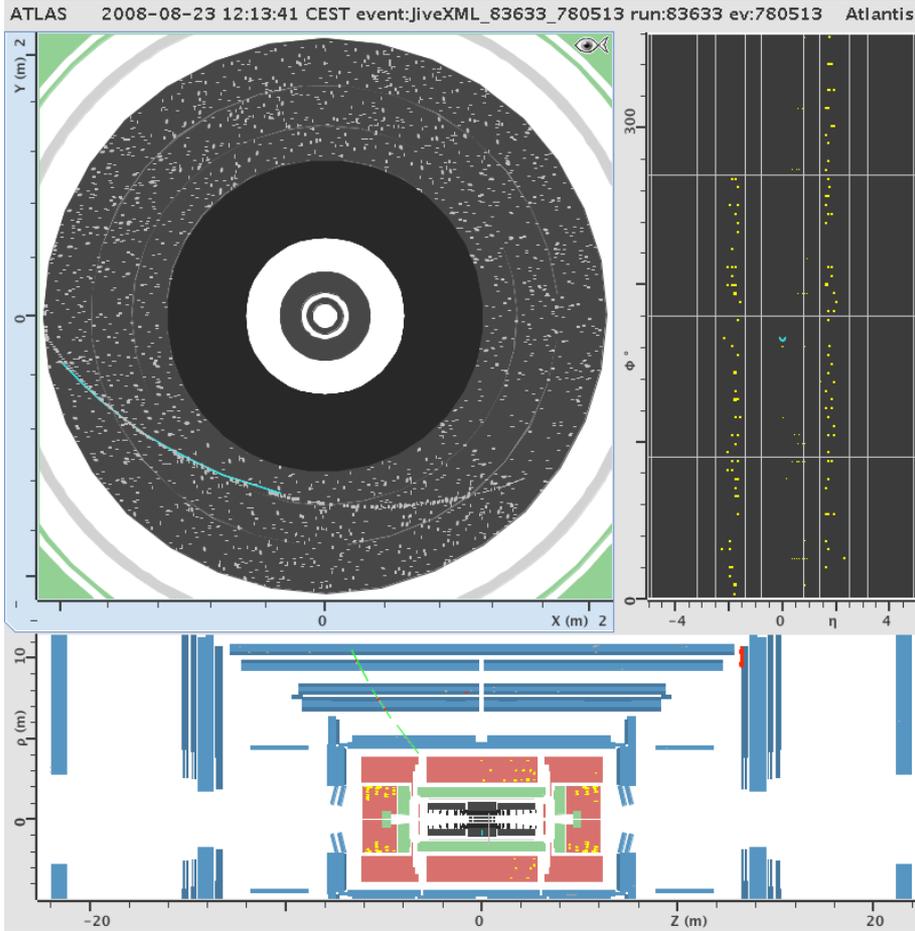


Rate ~100 m below ground:  
~ O(15 Hz) crossing Inner Detector

# A Nice Cosmic Muon Through the whole Detector

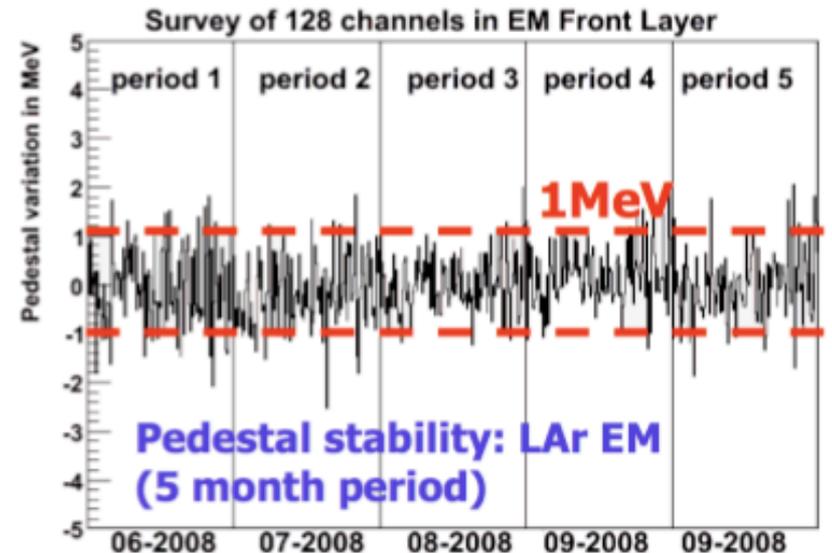
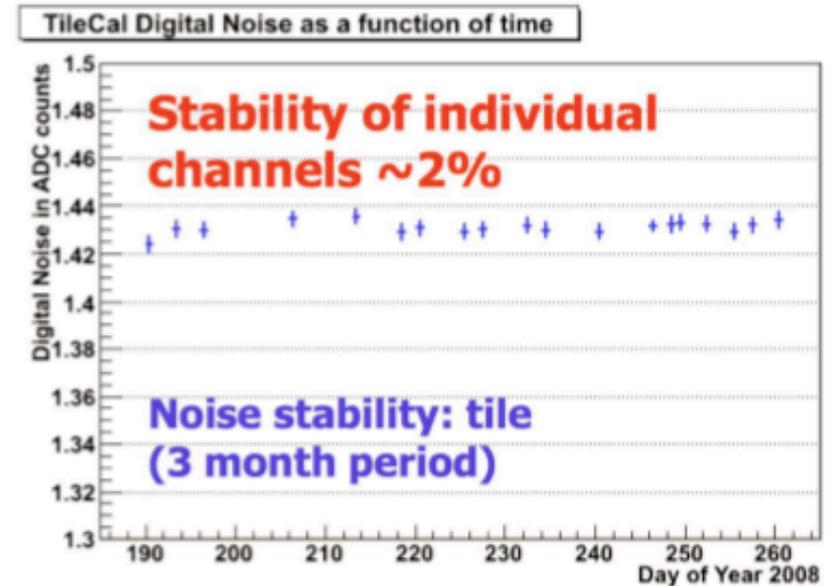


# Example of Cosmic events with Magnet on

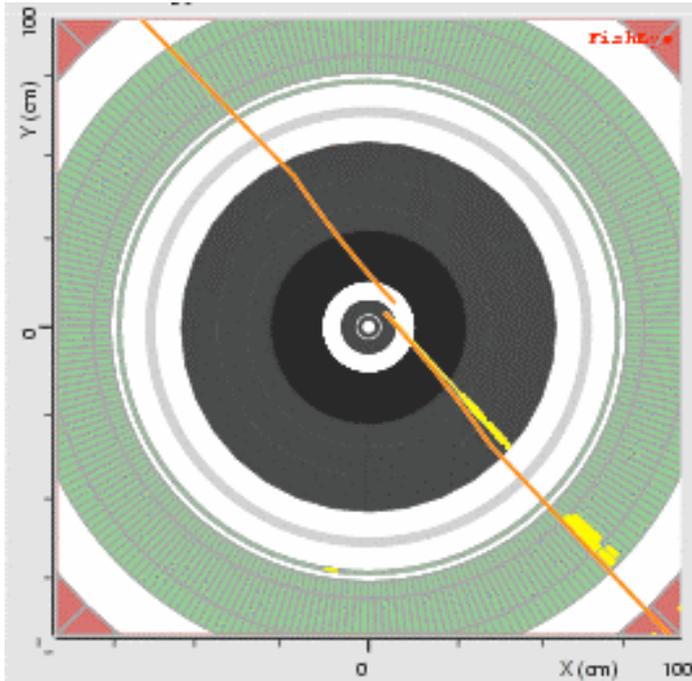


# Calorimeter Calibration

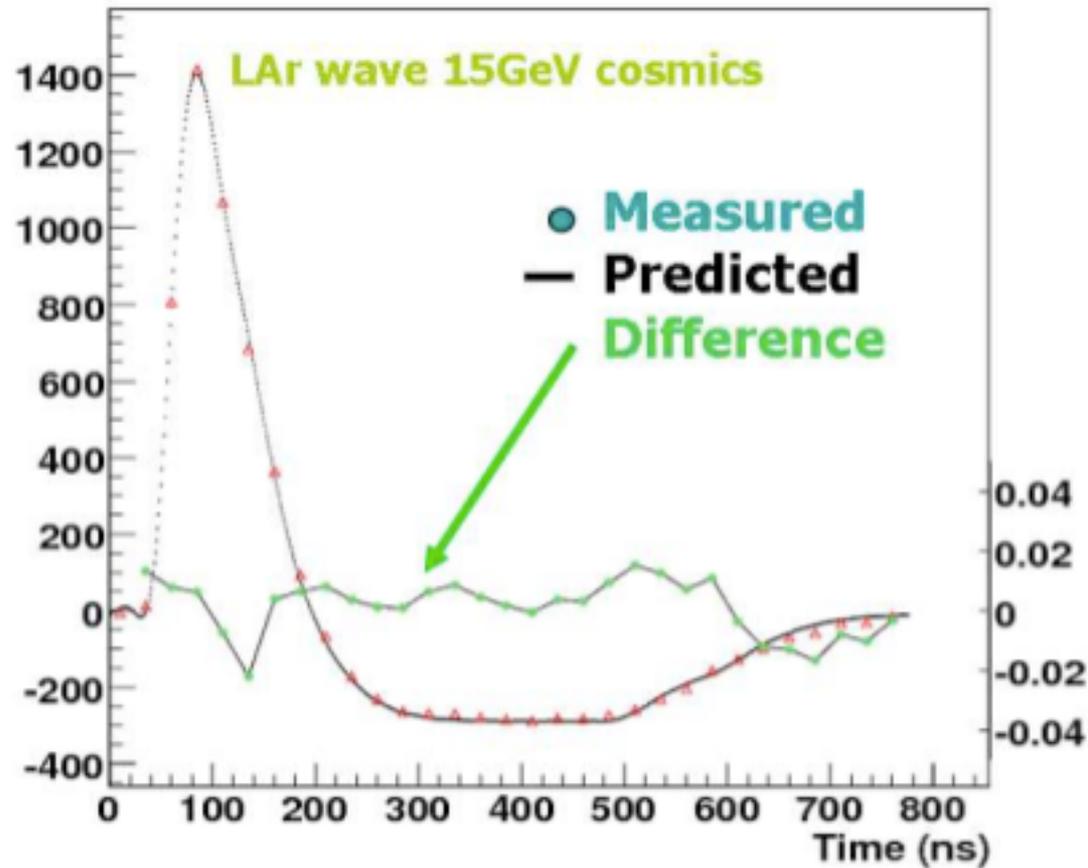
- Liquid Argon (LAr) and Tile calorimeters had a long commissioning period (started cosmic data taking since 2006)
- Calibration ready
  - Pulses (LAr and Tile)
  - Radiation sources (Tile)
  - Laser (Tile)
  - MC and test beam data
- The LVL1 Calorimeter trigger is also commissioned



# Commissioning with Cosmics



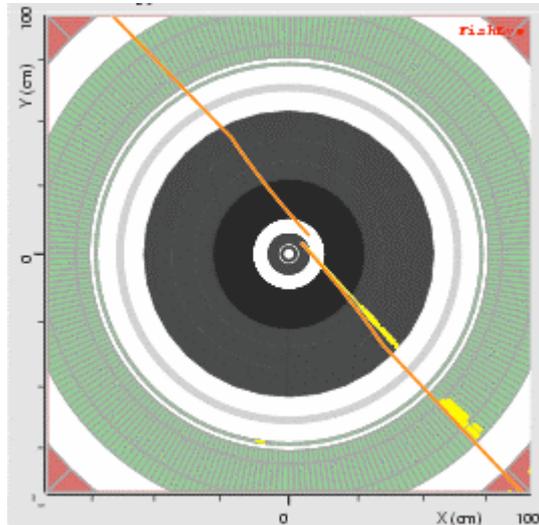
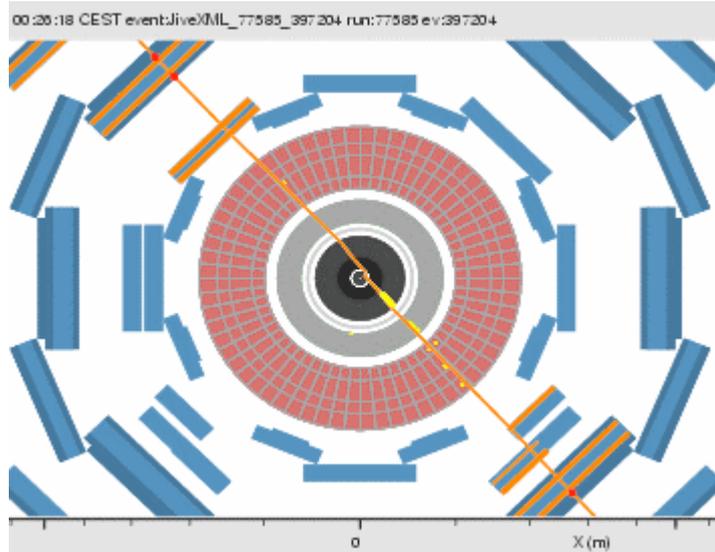
LAr Calorimeter



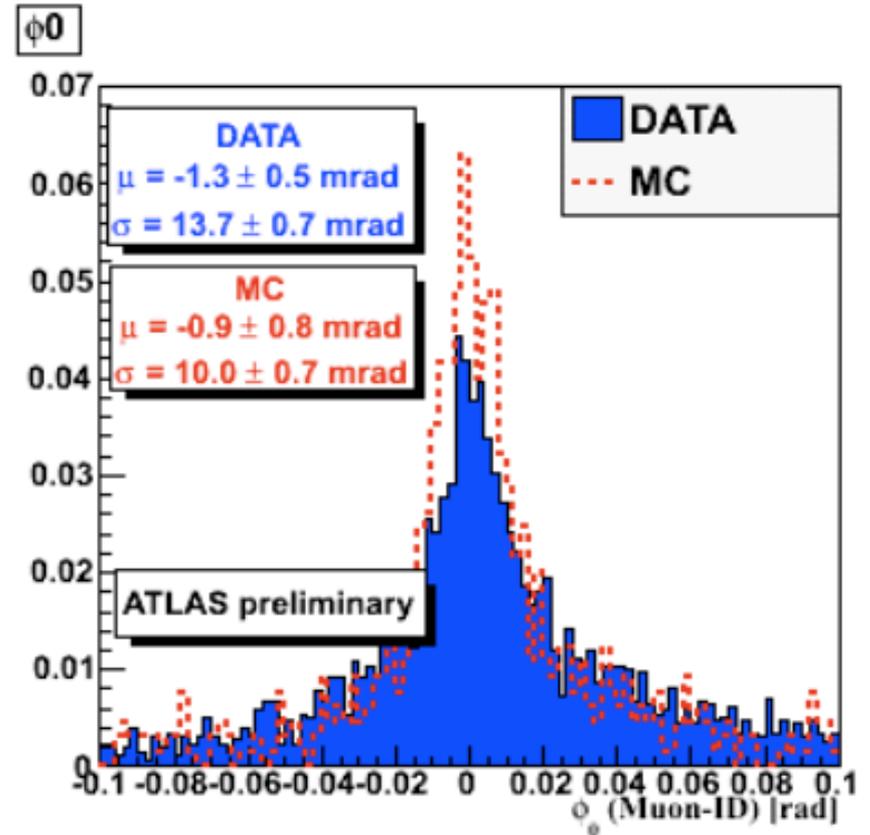
The precise knowledge of the pulse shape is important for good uniformity of calorimeter response

First measurements with Cosmics

# Commissioning with Cosmics: Muon and ID Systems

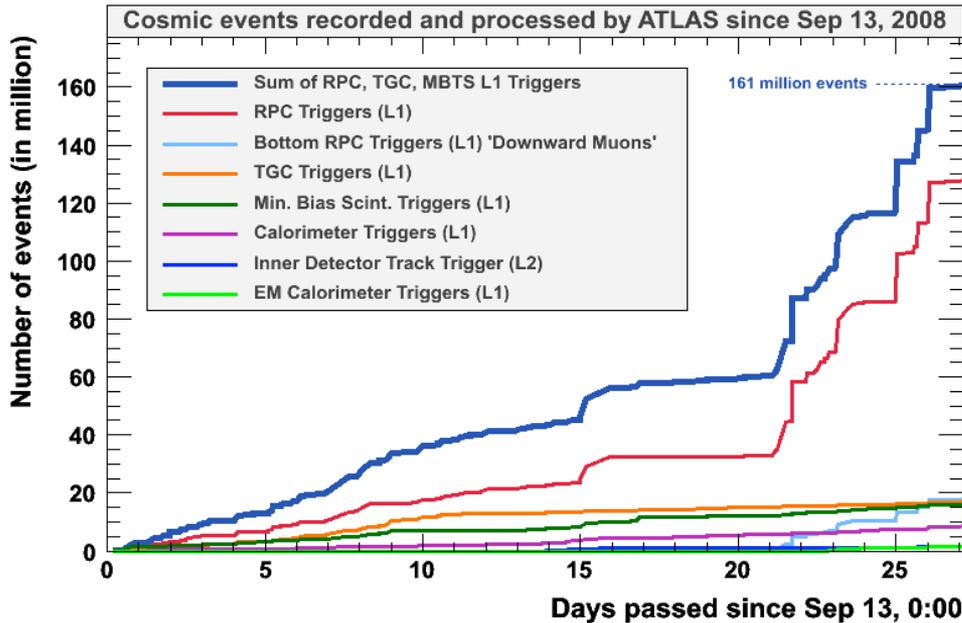


difference in the azimuthal angle  
between the muon and the ID



First constraints on alignment from cosmics

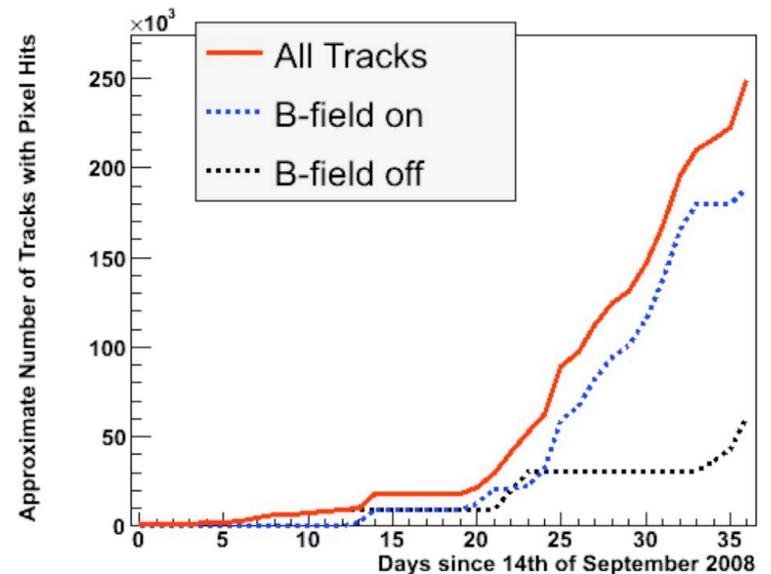
# Commissioning with Cosmics



Active use of the High Level Trigger system to select tracks that cross the Pixel detector and classify the events in a special stream.

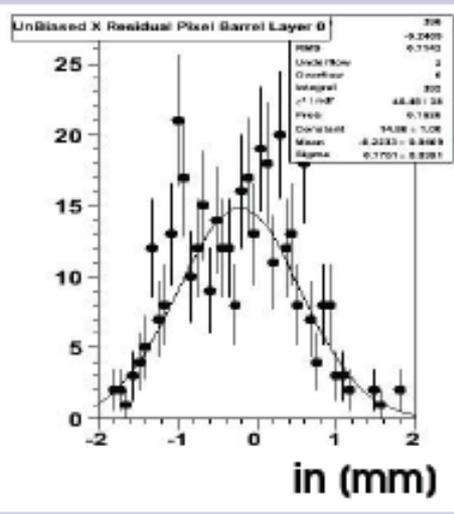
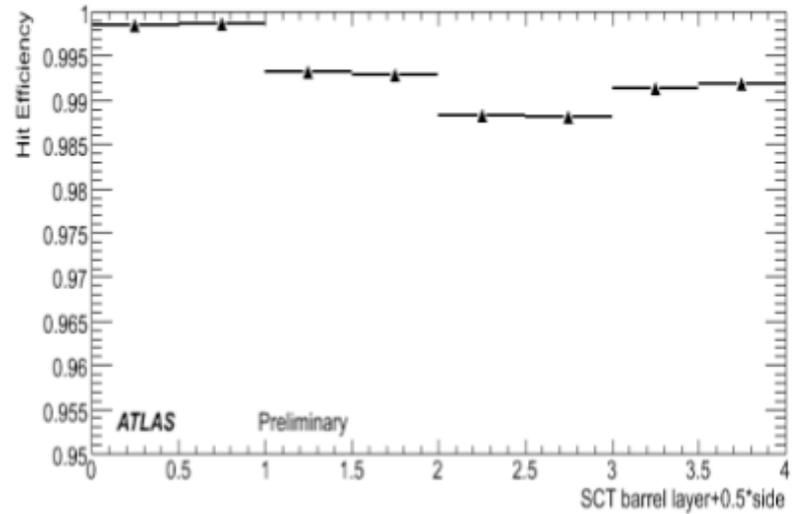
Good test of the infrastructure for trigger and analysis

A huge amount of cosmic ray triggers are recorded, in total (left) as well as giving tracks also in the smallest-volume detector, the Pixels (below)

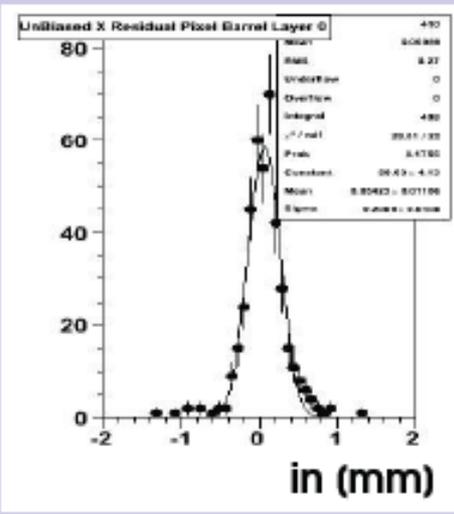


# ID Efficiency and Alignment

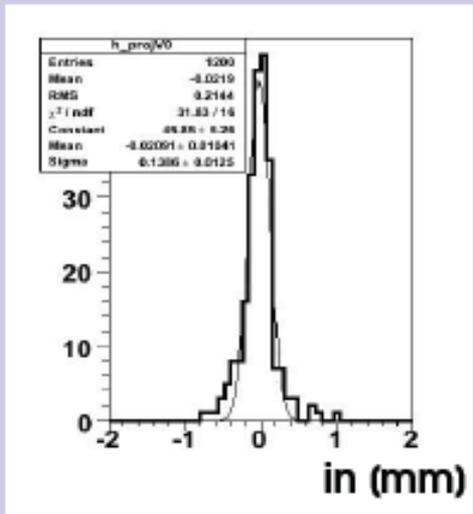
- ID Alignment to be performed in subsequent steps varying the number of DoF
  - L1: Compensate the sub-detector global misalignments
  - L2(2.5): Align sub-detector components
  - L3: aligns individual mechanical units (needs collisions)



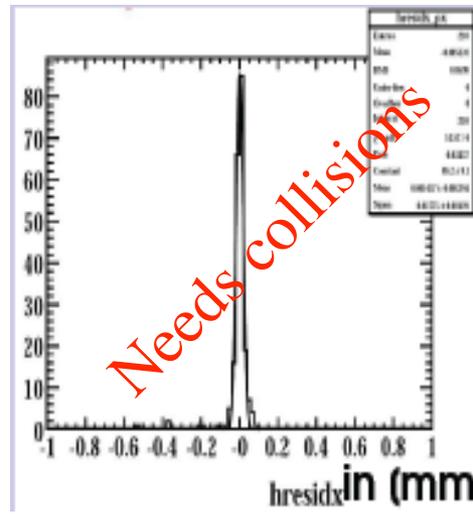
Nominal  
~ 1 mm



L2  
10K trk - 250  $\mu$ m



L2.5  
50 K trk - 150  $\mu$ m



L3 - 35 k DoF  
1 M trk - 15  $\mu$ m

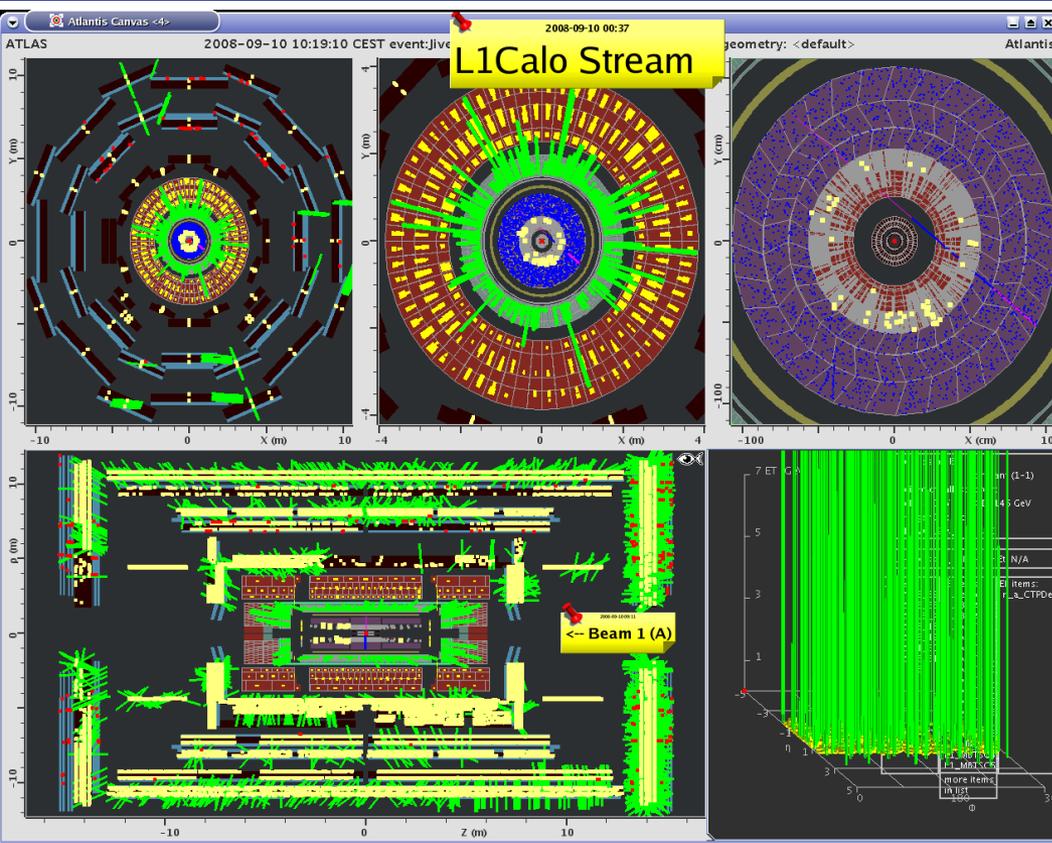


**Excitement in the ATLAS Detector Control Room:  
The first LHC event on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2008**



**... as well as in the ATLAS Tier-0 and Data Quality Control Rooms:  
Reconstruction follow-up and analysis of the first LHC events**

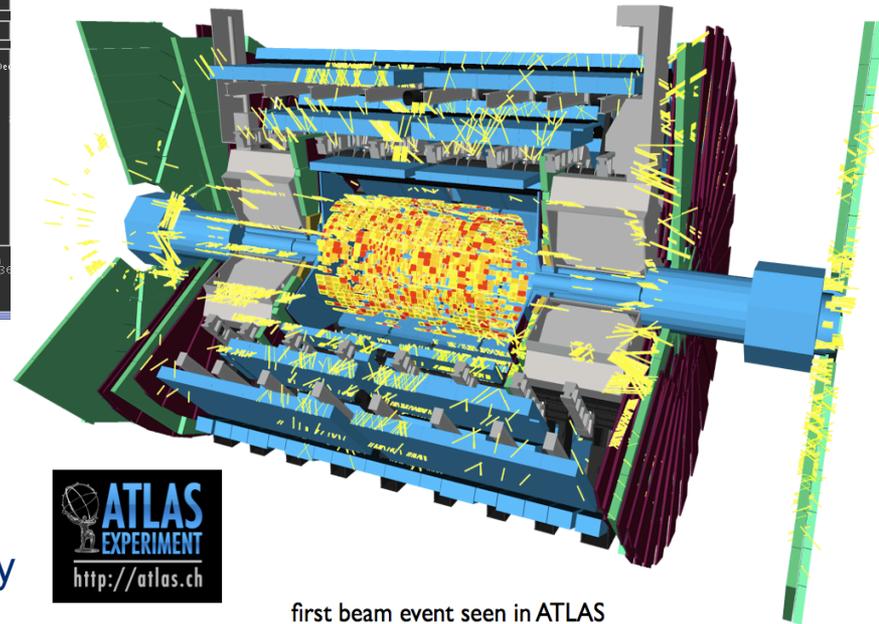
# First Event in ATLAS



Online display

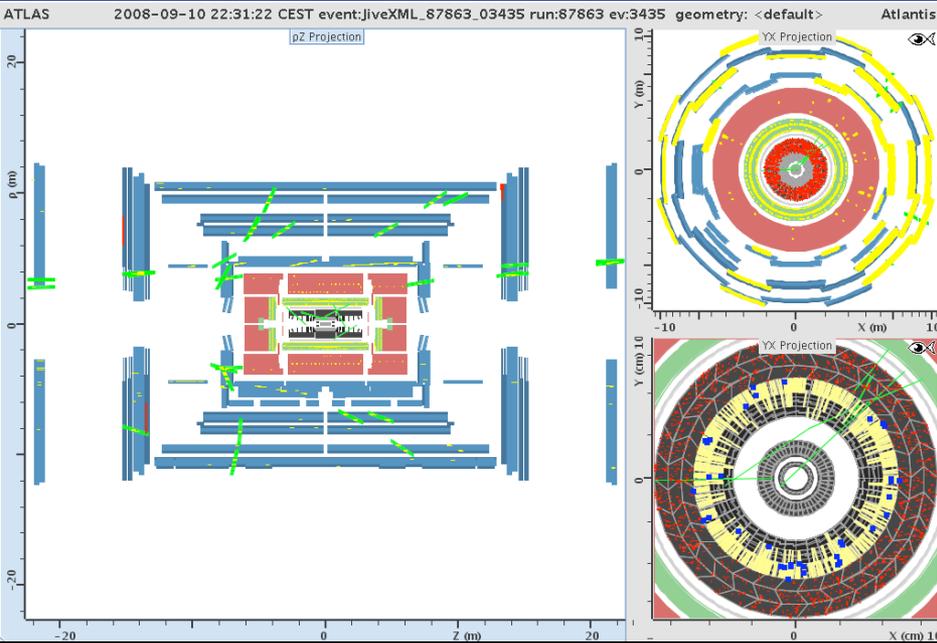
Offline display

The very first beam-splash event from the LHC in ATLAS on 10:19, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2008

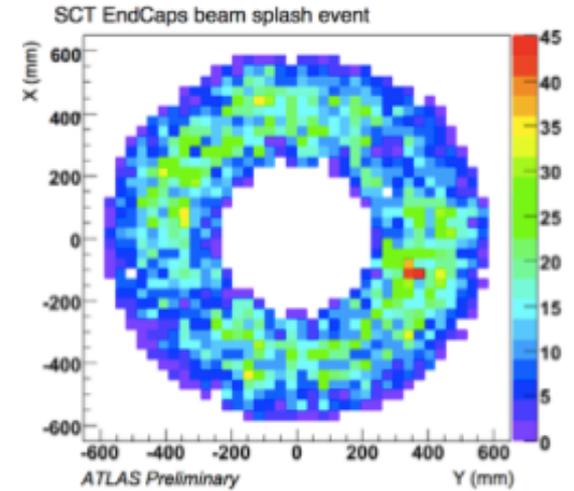


first beam event seen in ATLAS

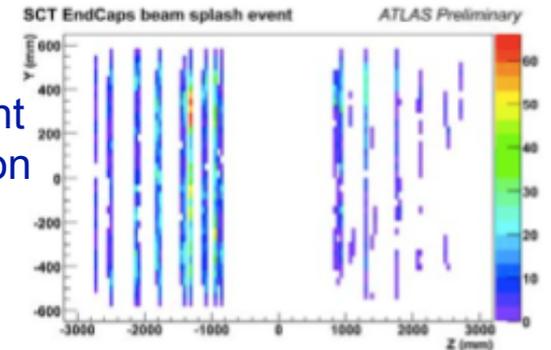
# Other events in ATLAS



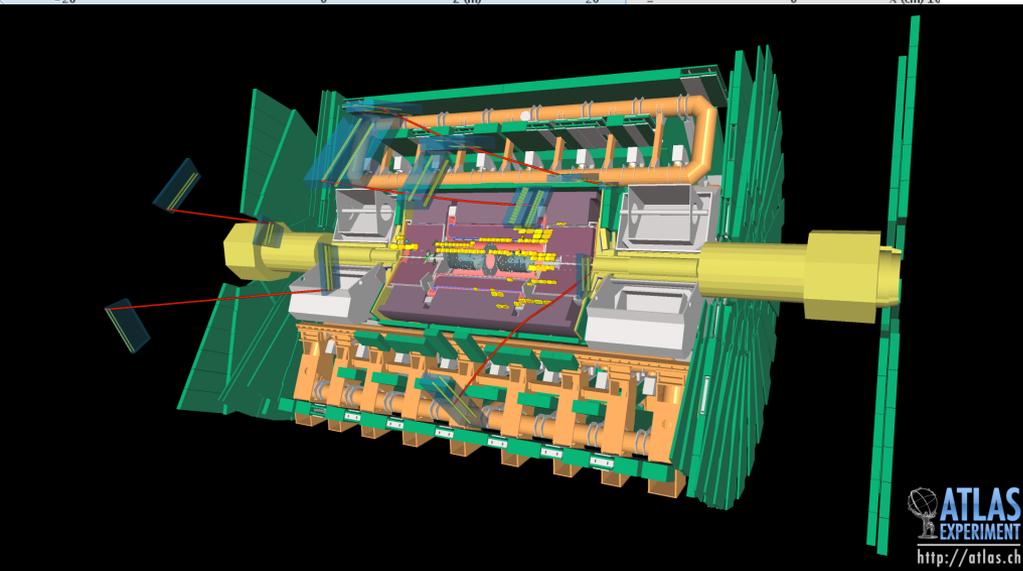
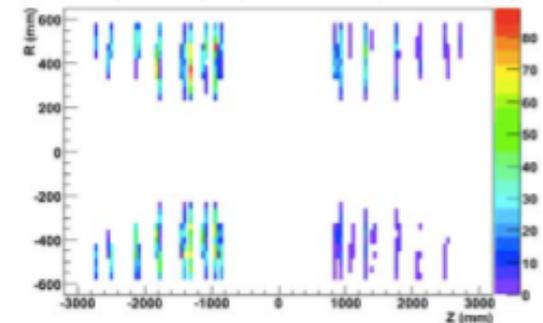
A busy beam-halo event with tracks bent in the Toroids from the start-up day



Beam event in the Silicon Tracker

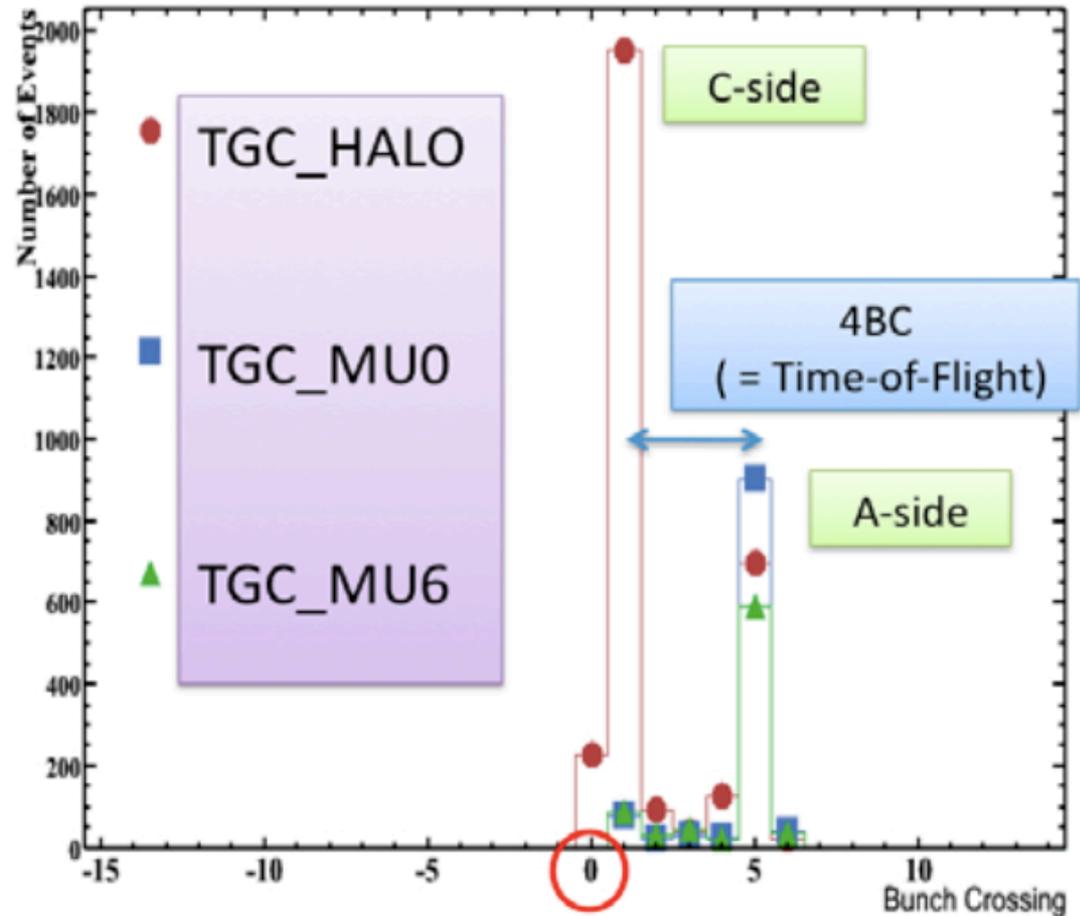


Another beam-halo event



# Triggering Splash Events

- LHC changed the operations plan one day before the inauguration
  - Beam was going to stop at the collimators
- We changed the strategy very fast and used the same trigger timing setting as for cosmics to ensure that events were recorded

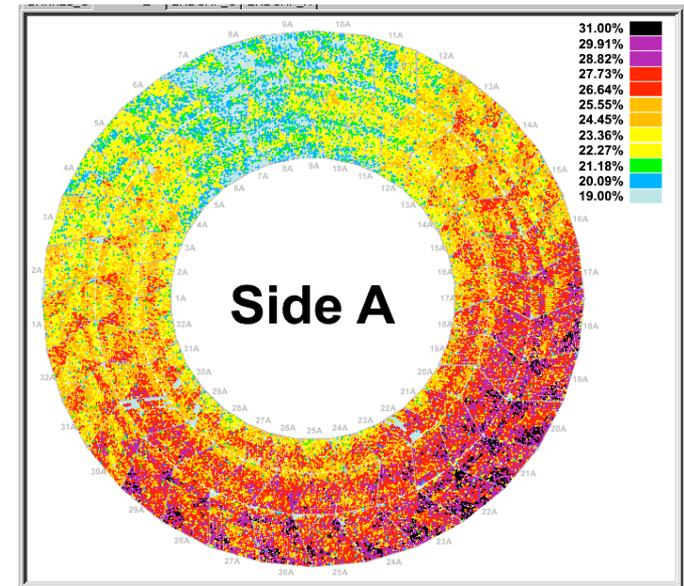


TGC trigger timing in a splash event coming from C side. The 100 ns (4 Bunch Crossings) time of flight is clearly visible

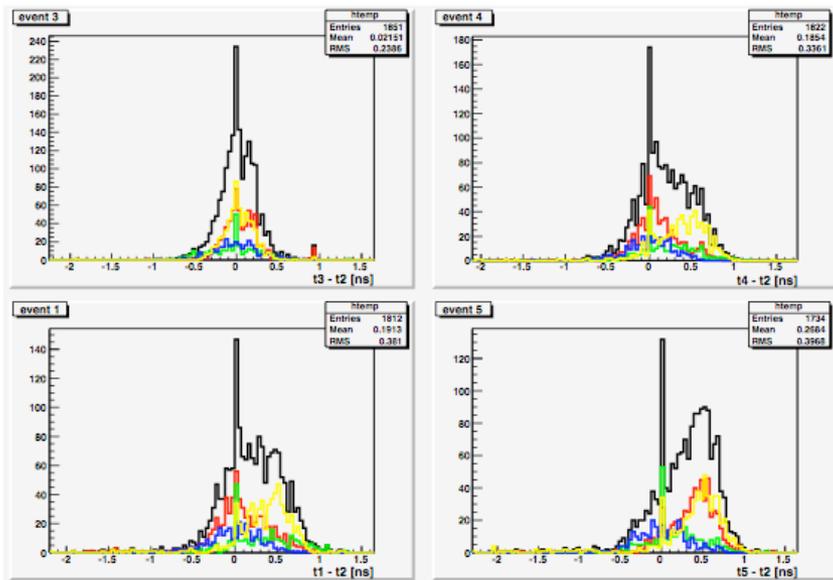
# Detector Timing with Splash Events

One interesting feature of splash events is that **many tracks hit the detector at the same time**. All TRT tubes were fired in several splash events, so that, thanks to the intrinsic resolution, it was possible to **align the time response of the entire detector using a single event**.

Other splashes were used to verify the correctness of the time alignment.

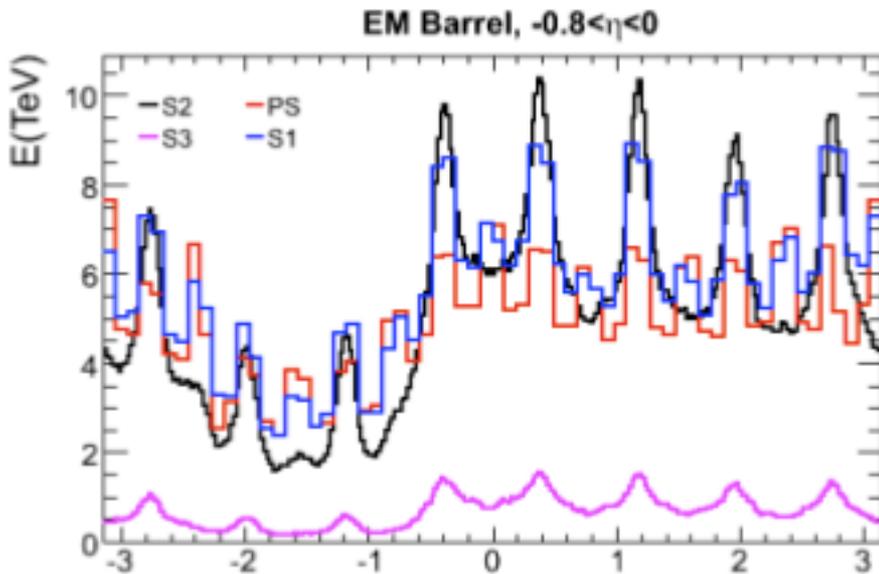
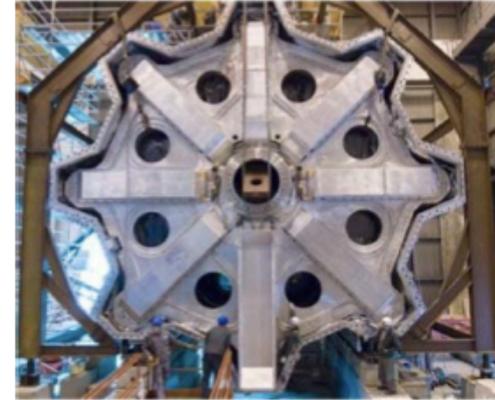
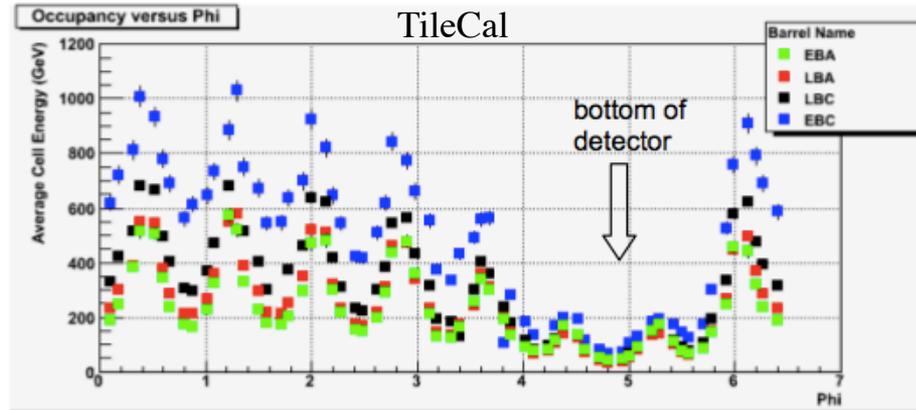
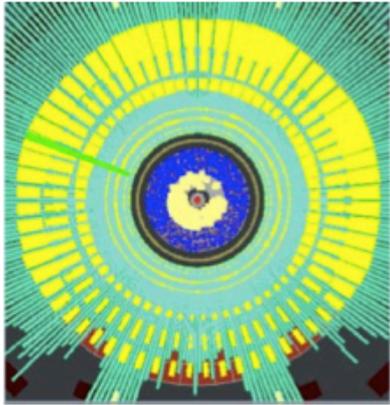


Time distribution of a single splash using the time constants measured with cosmics. The up-down Time of flight effect is visible.



Time distributions of different splash events (in different colors) with time constants computed using a single splash event. The average width is 0.3 ns.

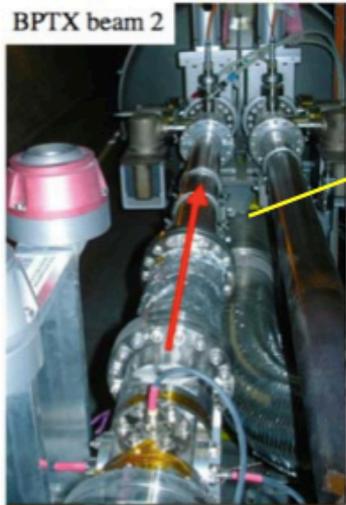
# Energy deposits in the Calorimeter



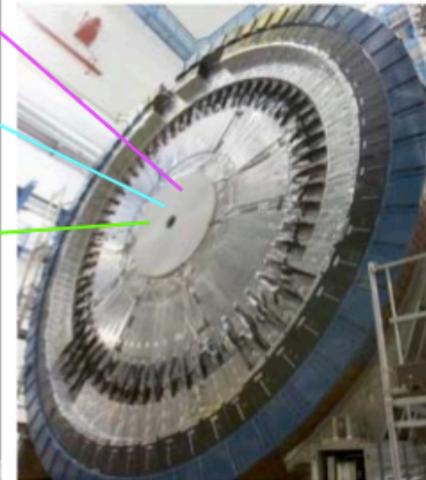
- Energy deposit from beam splash (collimator) event
- Eight-fold structure in  $\Phi$  due to the material on the end-cap toroid
- Extra material in the bottom of the detector from the support structure

# First Circulating Beams in ATLAS

ATLAS trigger during the circulating beams used the “Minimum Bias Trigger Scintillator” (MBTS) and the Beam Pick-up (BPTX)



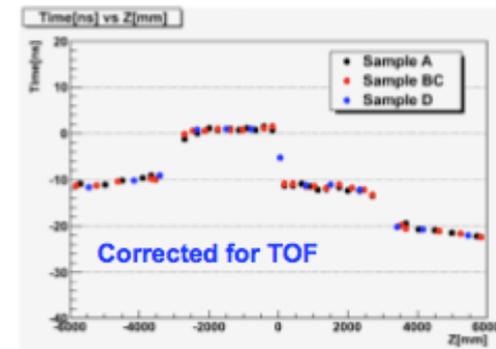
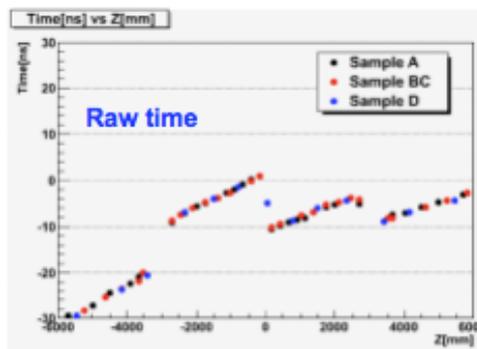
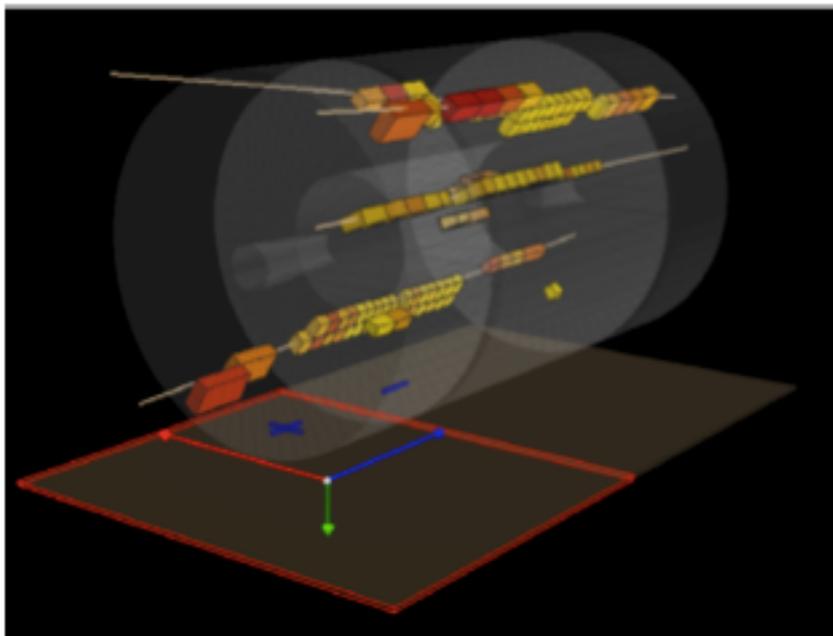
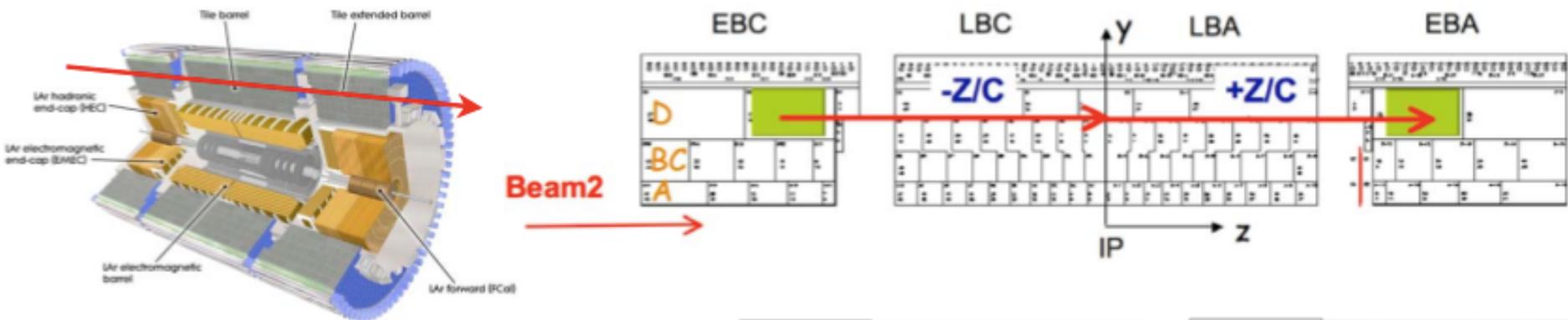
MBTS minimum-bias trigger scintillator on IP-side face of endcap calorimeter



Beam becoming unstable: MBTS, initially quiet, becomes more active after several runs. At the end the beam pick-up does not see the beam anymore while the MBTS still fires

# Timing Studies in the Tile Calorimeter

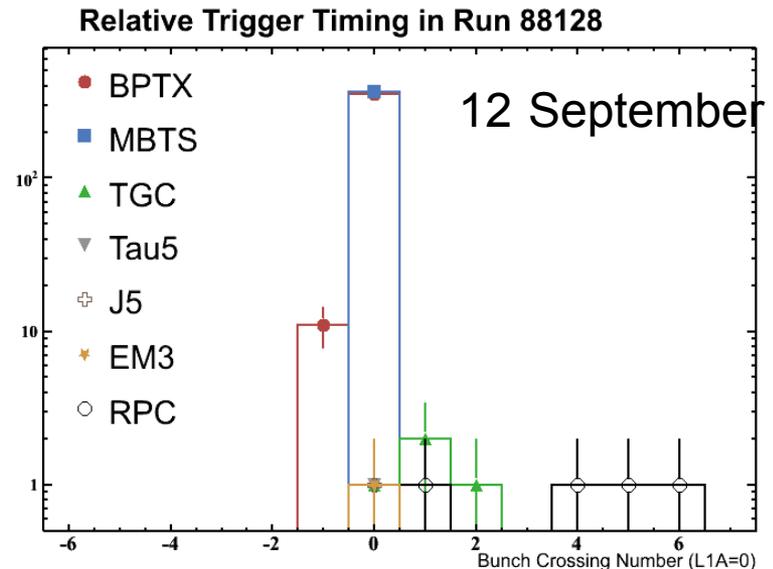
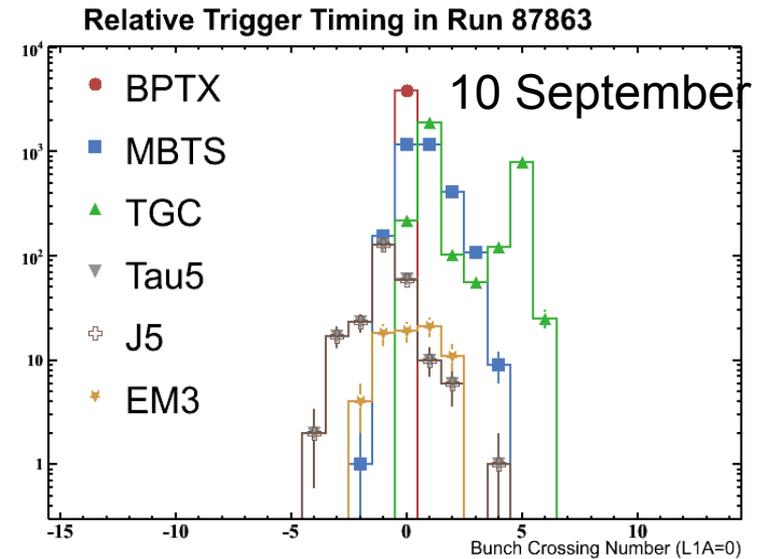
Beam splash and beam halo event both yield almost horizontal muons that can be exploited for check timing checks



Time dispersion is  $\sim 2$  ns in each partition  
 Offsets between partitions well within 1 BC

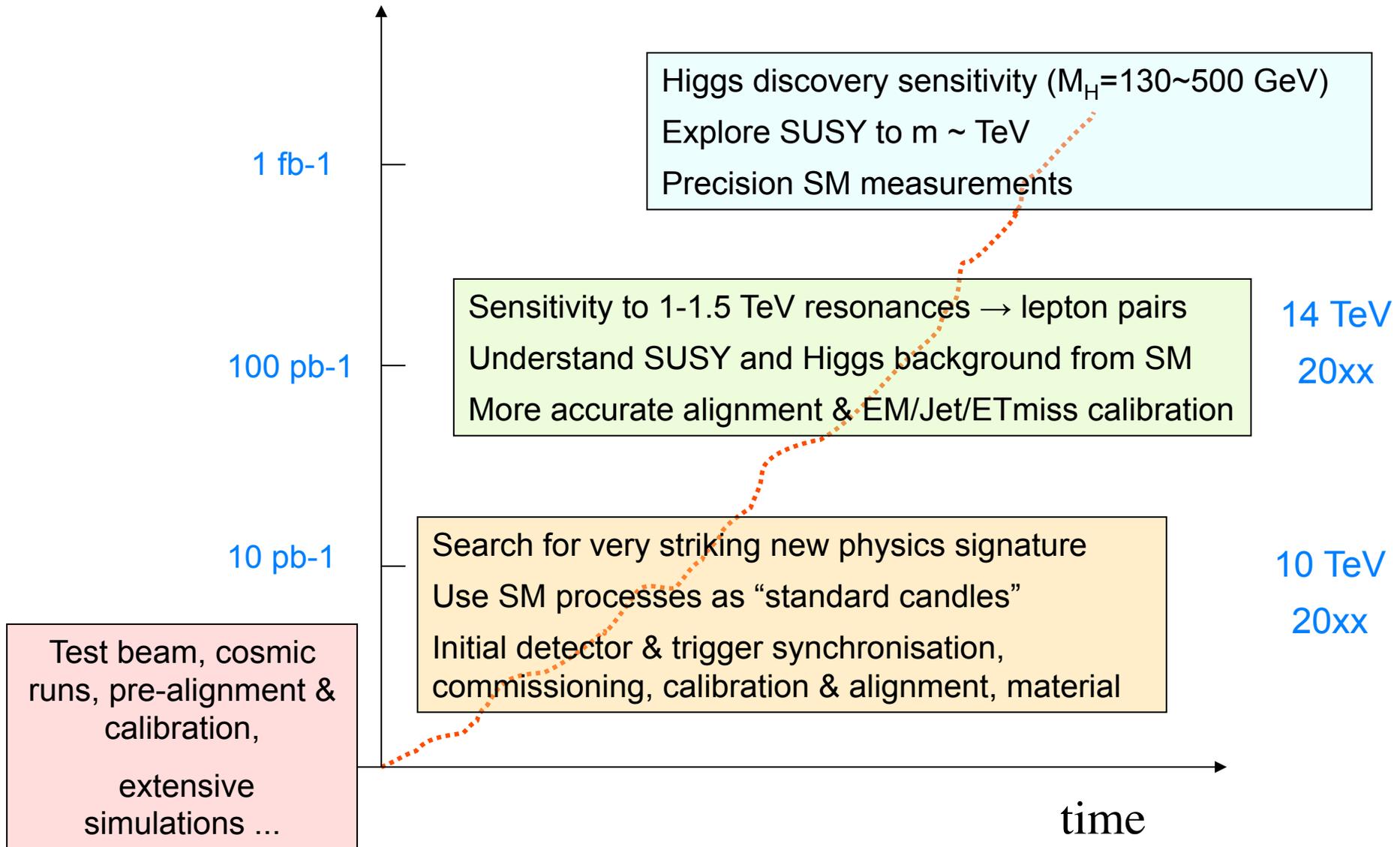
# Timing-in the Trigger with Single Beams

- Experiment timing based on beam-pickup (“BPTX”) reference
  - First task of LVL1 central trigger team on 10<sup>th</sup> September was to commission the beam pickups
- Times of arrival of other triggers were adjusted to match
  - Plots show evolution from September 10<sup>th</sup> to September 12<sup>th</sup>
- Each LVL1 sub-system also needs to be timed internally
  - L1-Calor, L1-RPC, L1-TGC, MBTS, etc.



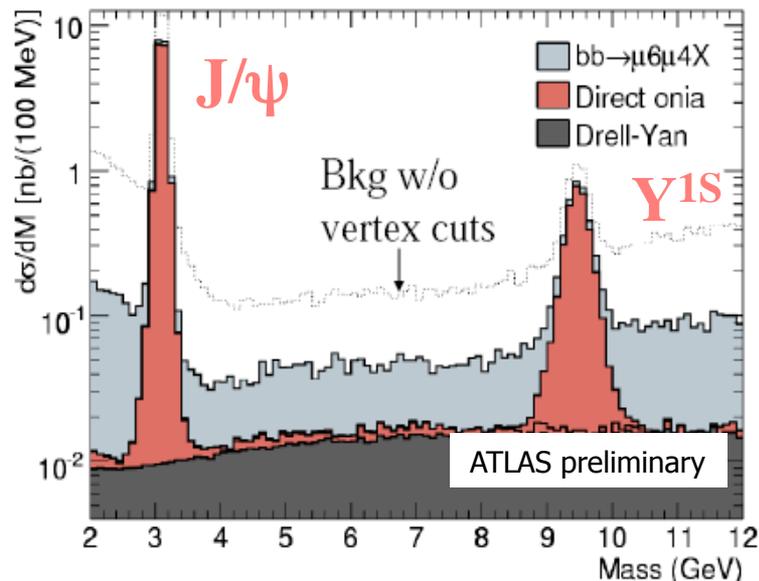
Note change of scale!

# Collisions: a Physics Roadmap



# Example of first signals

1 pb<sup>-1</sup> ≡ 3 days at 10<sup>31</sup> at 30% efficiency



**After all cuts:**

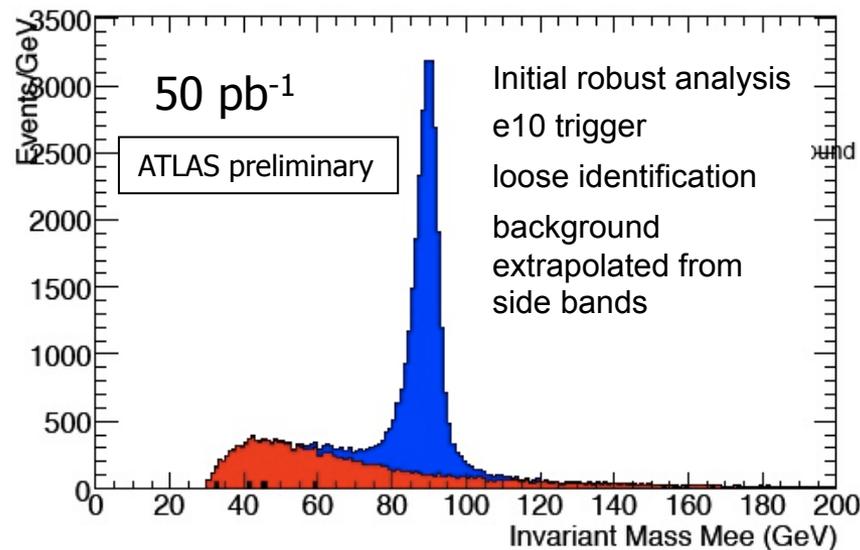
~ 160 Z → ee / day at L = 10<sup>31</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

energy/momentum scale of full detector  
 Muon Spectrometer alignment,  
 lepton trigger and reconstruction efficiency, ...

**After all cuts:**

~ 5000 (800) J/ψ (Υ) → μμ / day @ L = 10<sup>31</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>  
 (for 30% machine x detector data taking efficiency)

→ Allow to do tests of tracker momentum scale, trigger performance, detector efficiency, sanity checks, ...

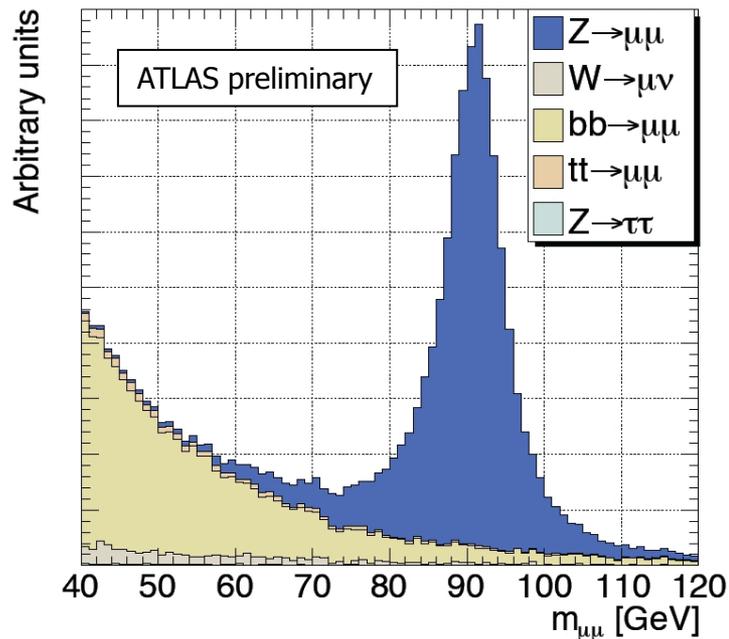


~25 k events (at 10 TeV reduced by 30%)  
 quickly dominated by systematic

# W/Z Production

## Z → μμ

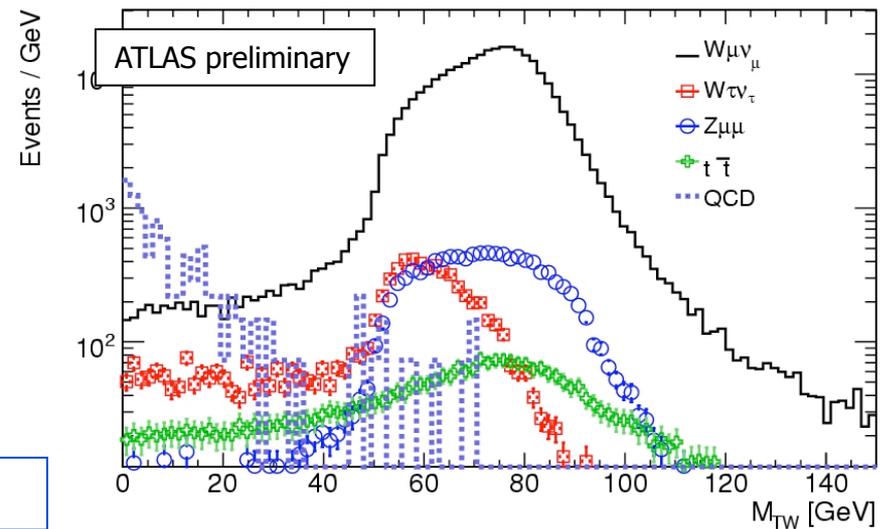
- Trigger and offline eff. from tag-and-probe
- Tracks in Muon Spectrometer



$\int L dt = 50 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ : 25.7k Z, 0.1k bckgd evt  
 $\sigma = 2016 \pm 16(\text{stat}) \pm 64(\text{syst}) \pm 202(\text{lumi}) \text{ pb}$   
 (+ isolation in Inner Detector)

## W → μν

- Trigger and offline efficiencies from tag-and-probe (Z → μμ)
- Muon isolation in calo
- Missing  $E_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$



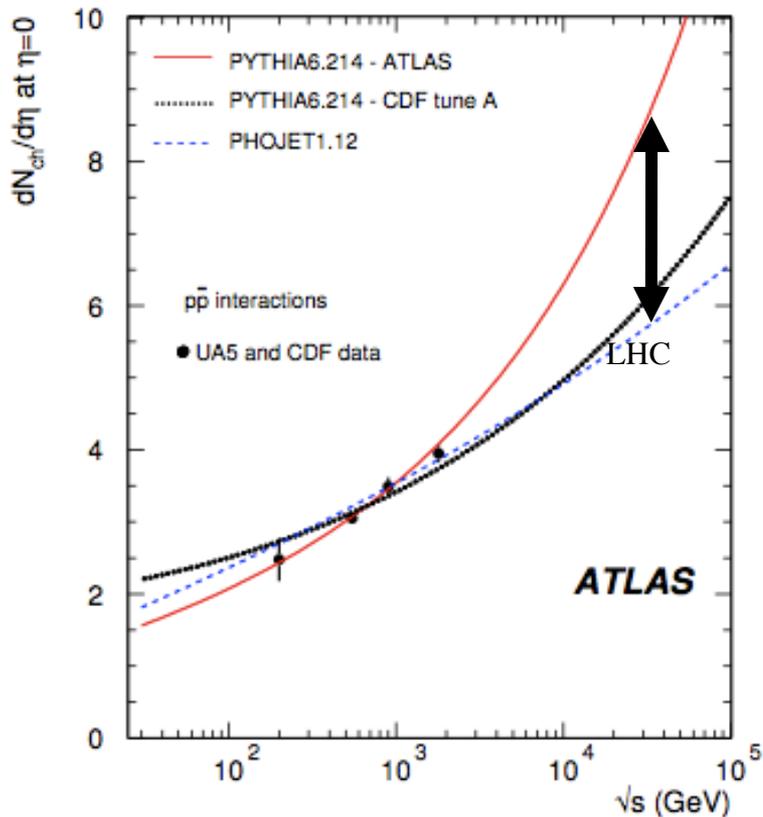
$\int L dt = 50 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ : 300k W, 20k bckgd events  
 $\sigma = 20530 \pm 40(\text{stat}) \pm 630(\text{syst}) \pm 2050(\text{lumi}) \text{ pb}$

Luminosity uncertainty vanishes in  $\sigma_W / \sigma_Z \rightarrow$  stringent test of QCD

# Minimum bias

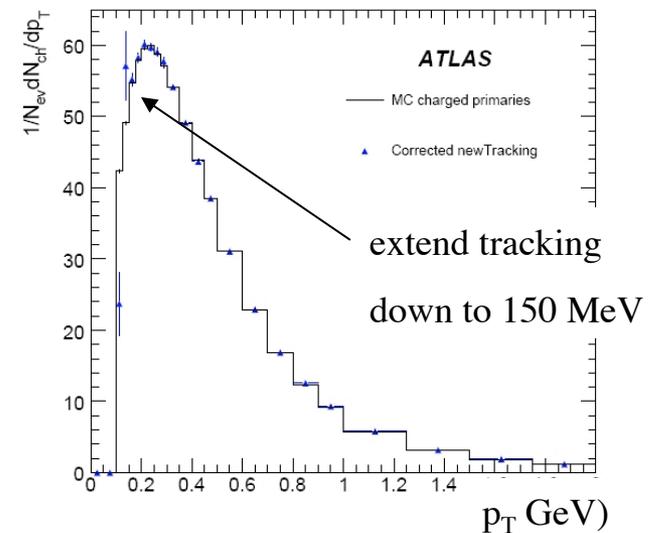
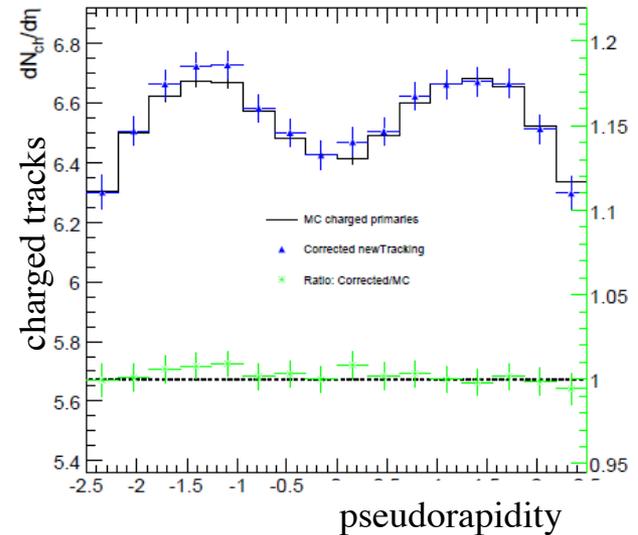
Large uncertainty in extrapolation to LHC

Ex: central charged particle density for non-single diffractive events

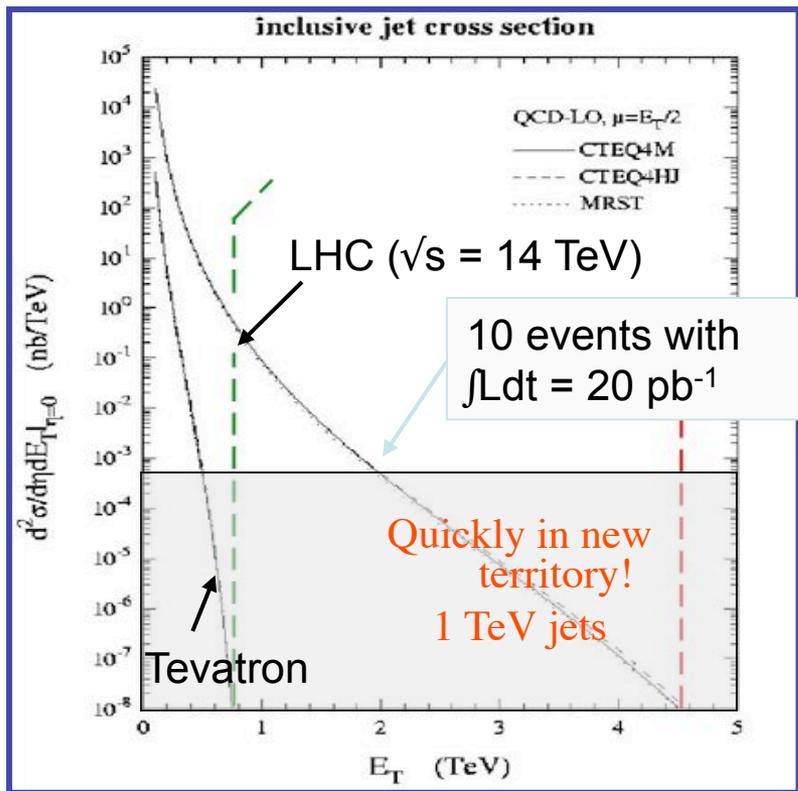


- Minimum-bias ( $\rightarrow$  pile-up)
  - Underlying event in hard interaction
- need to be well understood for precision physics

1 minute  $L=10^{31}\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  14 TeV



# Inclusive jets and W/Z+jets



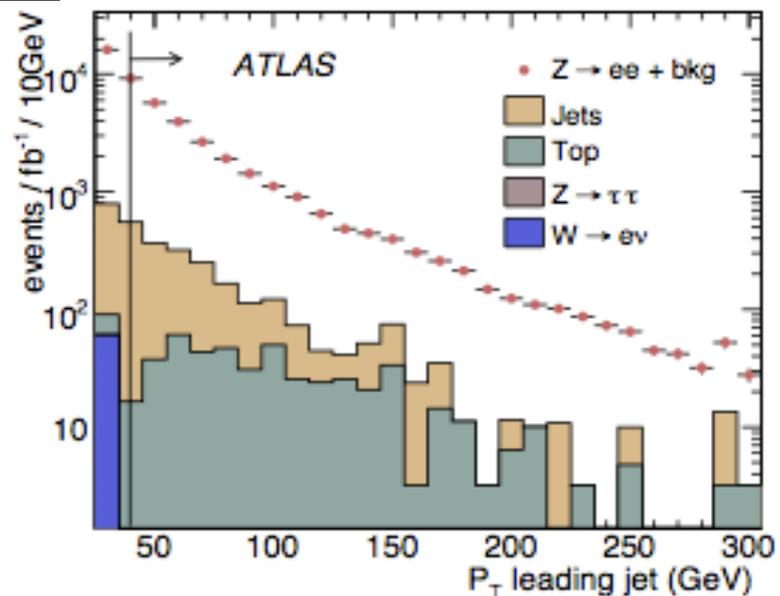
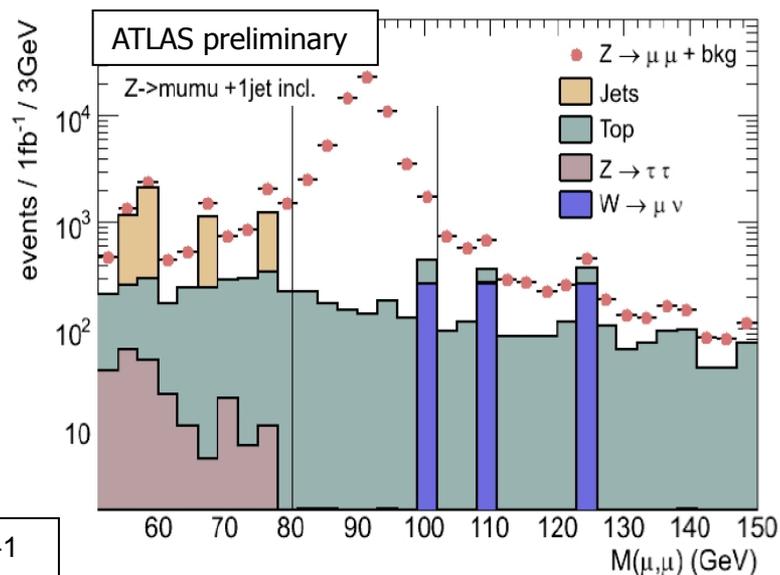
## Jet energy scale

largest source of systematic error  
initial uncertainty  $\sim 5$ -10%

Need to reduce error for QCD test

## measure W/Z + jet(s) cross-section

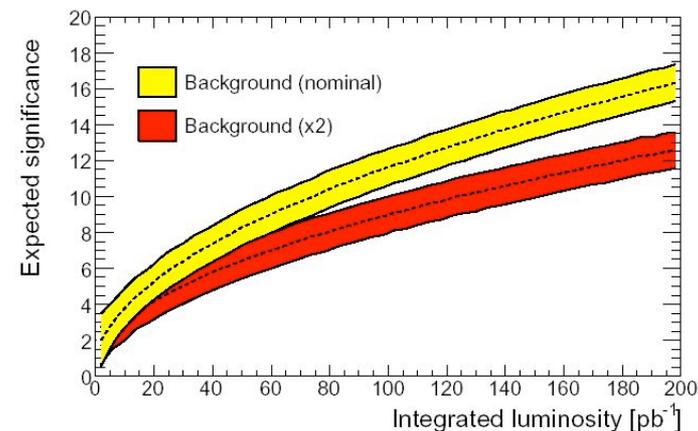
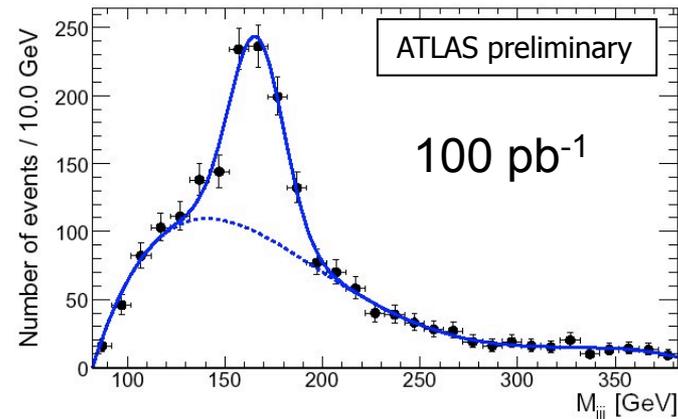
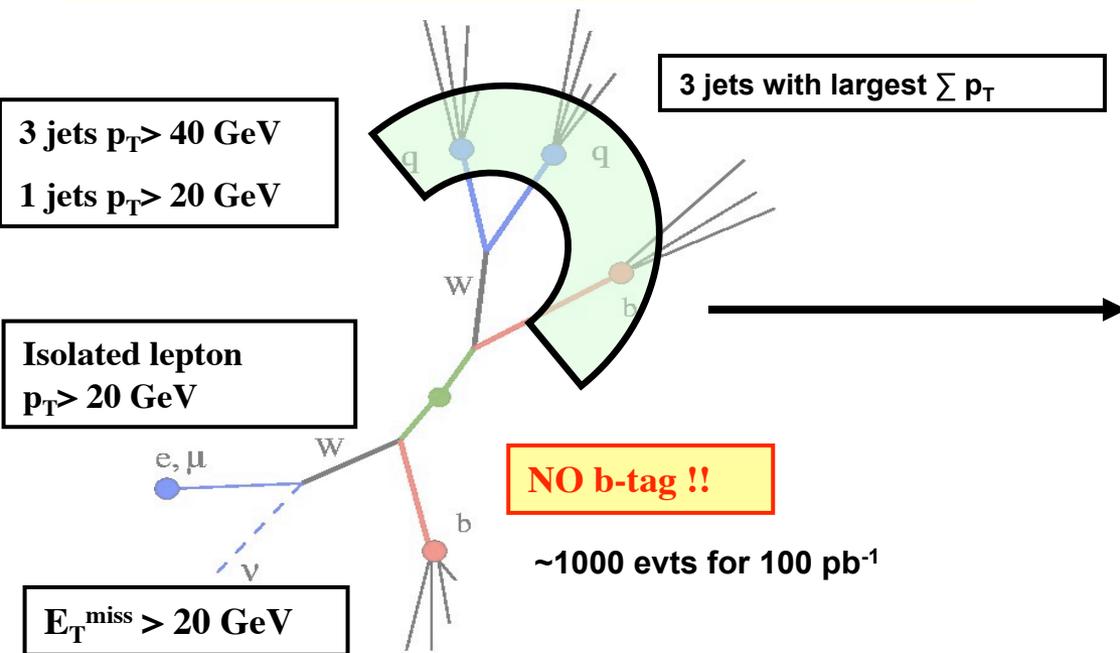
important background to new physics  
 $\gamma/Z$ +jets calibration signal



# The first top quarks in Europe ...

$\sigma_{tt} \approx 250 \text{ pb}$  for  $tt \rightarrow bW bW \rightarrow bl\nu bjj$

Note:  $\sigma_{tt}(\text{LHC})/\sigma_{tt}(\text{Tevatron}) \sim 100$



Top signal observable in early days  
no b-tagging and simple analysis  
 $\sim 1000 \text{ evts for } 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

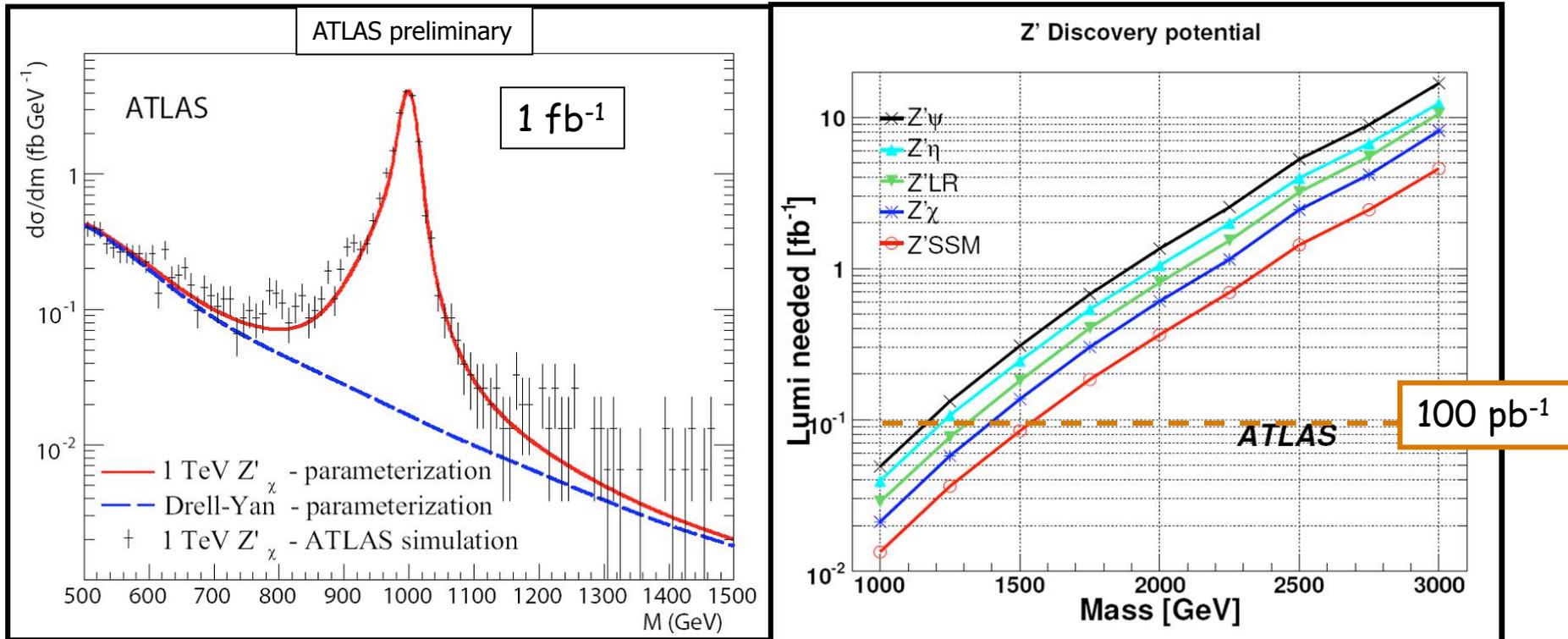
$$\Delta\sigma/\sigma = 7\% (\text{stat}) \pm 15\% (\text{syst}) \pm 3\% (\text{pdf}) \pm 5\% (\text{lumi})$$

In addition, excellent sample to:

- commission b-tagging, set jet E-scale using  $W \rightarrow jj$  peak, ...
- understand / constrain theory and MC ... move-on to precision top physics

# Early discovery: a narrow resonance decaying into $e^+e^-$ ?

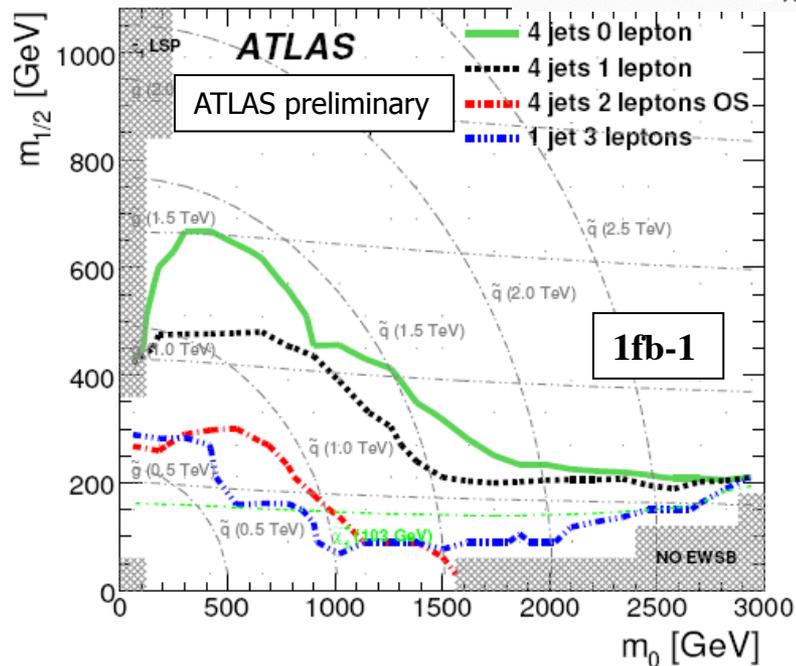
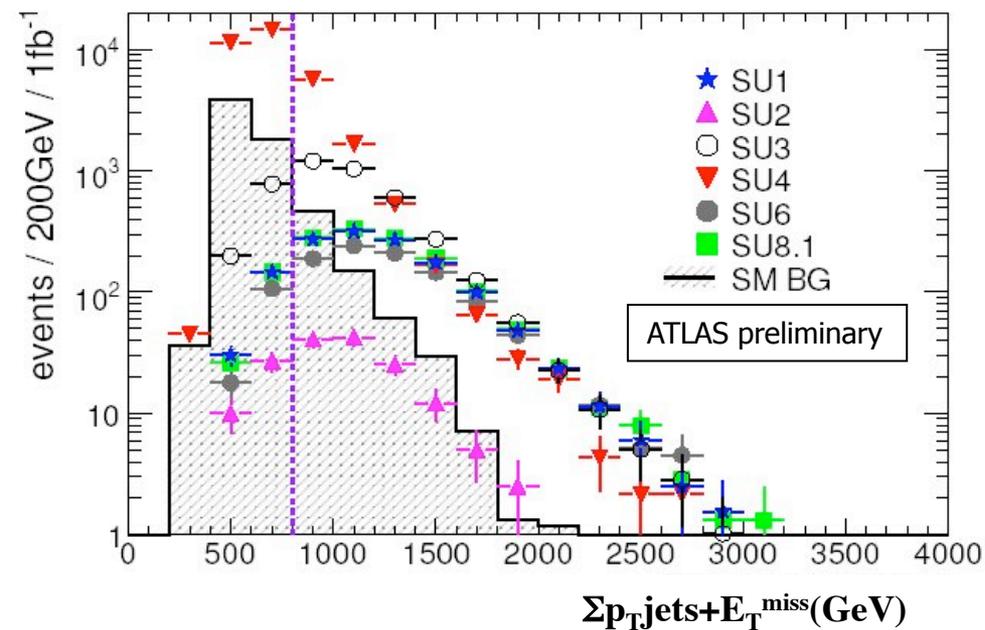
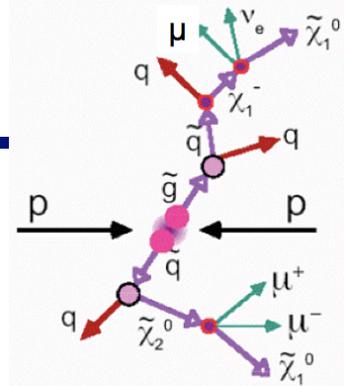
Various models predict heavy resonances decaying to leptons



- signal is (narrow) mass peak on top of small Drell-Yan background
- with  $100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  large enough signal for discovery up to  $m \sim 1.5 \text{ TeV}$   
 $\sigma(10 \text{ TeV}) \sim \frac{1}{2} \sigma(14 \text{ TeV})$
- ultimate calorimeter performance not needed

# SUperSYmmetry: inclusive search

- large (strong) cross-section for  $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}, \tilde{g}\tilde{q}, \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$  production
- spectacular signatures (many jets, leptons, missing  $E_T$ )



Sensitivity to SUSY beyond the Tevatron with  $\sim 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

**BUT need confidence in** detector performance, trigger, reconstruction, object identification

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understanding of the backgrounds  $\rightarrow$  **needs**  $\int$  **luminosity**

SM background from QCD, W/Z, top:

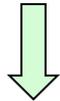
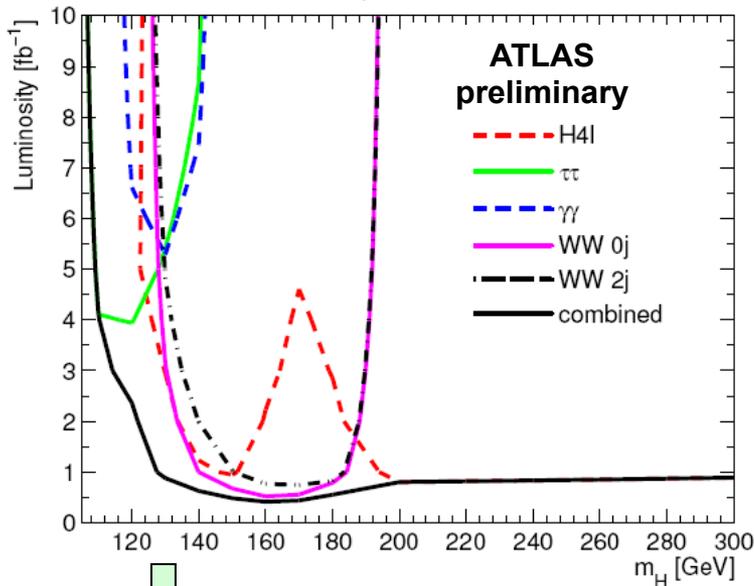
Data driven method, MC tuned to physics & detector performance, replace some reconstructed objects with Monte Carlo generated objects ...

Methods should agree



# SM Higgs: a more difficult case

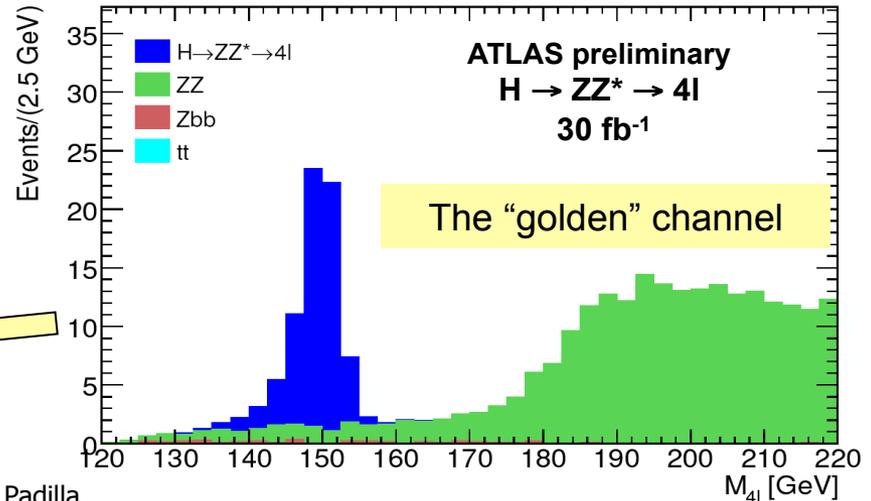
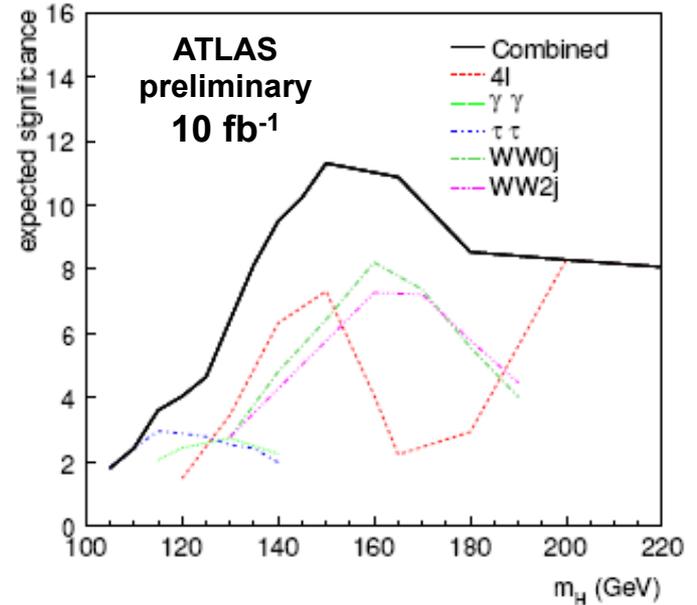
Required luminosity for 95% C.L. exclusion



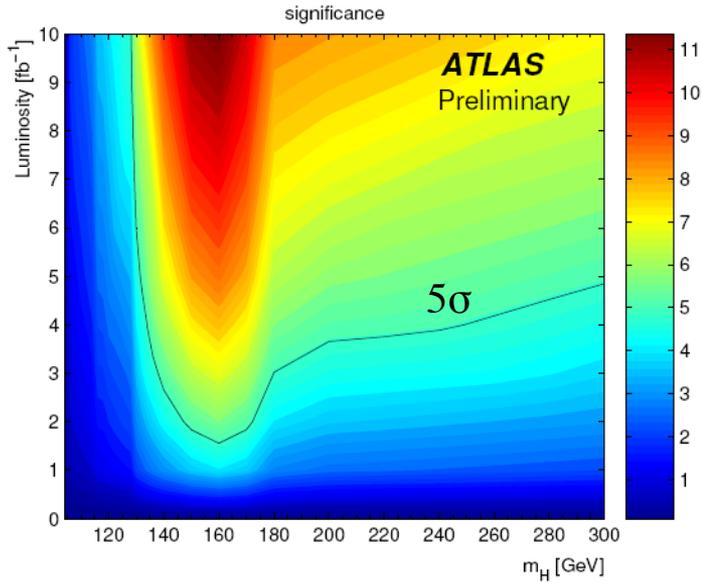
Most difficult region: low mass of ~120 GeV  
 Need to combine many channels with small S/B or low statistics (e.g.  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ,  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ,  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ ,  $\rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$ )

• Discovery channel for mass > 200 GeV with 10fb<sup>-1</sup>  
 • 4l is the most promising in the range 130-160 GeV  
 • 160-180 GeV  $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$  more powerful but experimentally more difficult

Median discovery significance



# SM Higgs: a more difficult case



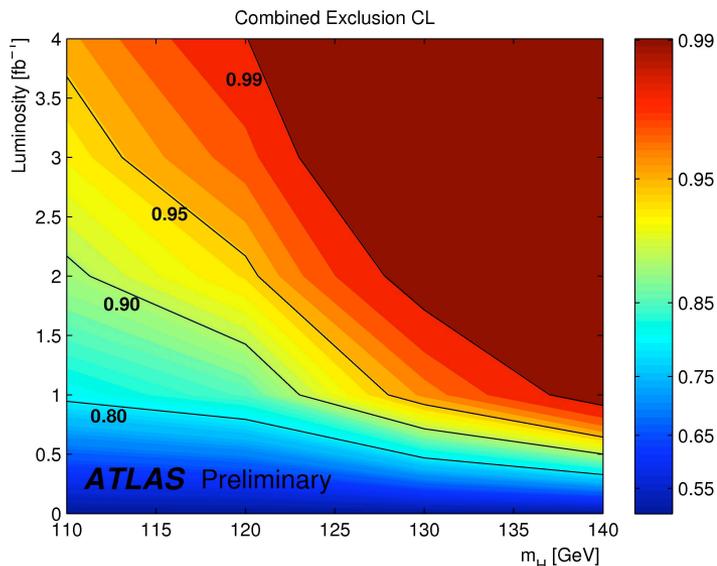
For 5 $\sigma$  discovery, one needs

~20 fb<sup>-1</sup> to probe down to m<sub>H</sub>=115 GeV

10 fb<sup>-1</sup> for m<sub>H</sub> range 127 – 440 GeV

3.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> for m<sub>H</sub> range 136 – 190 GeV

Just under 2 fb<sup>-1</sup> for m<sub>H</sub> ≈ 2m<sub>W</sub>



For 95% CL exclusion, one needs

2.8 fb<sup>-1</sup> for m<sub>H</sub> = 115 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

2 fb<sup>-1</sup> for m<sub>H</sub> range 121– 460 GeV

Less than 2 fb<sup>-1</sup> to exclude m<sub>H</sub> ≈ 2m<sub>W</sub>

# Summary

- ATLAS is in good shape, and was ready for collisions in September
  - All the sub-detectors were ready to take data, as well as trigger, DAQ, Detector Control and Data Quality systems
  - Several improvements currently being worked out
- Commissioning with cosmics and first beams were and will be useful
  - It was a good exercise to evaluate the level of readiness of the different components and to tune the data taking procedures
- However, collisions are absolutely needed to complete the detector commissioning program
  - The same is true for trigger and off-line algorithms
  - An intense work will be needed next summer, when LHC will restart
  - ATLAS hopes to start soon to study SM processes  
**and be ready to search for new physics**