OPERATIONS & PERFORMANCE OF THE ATLAS DETECTOR IN LHC RUN II

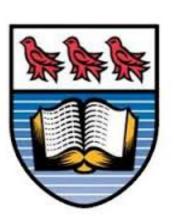
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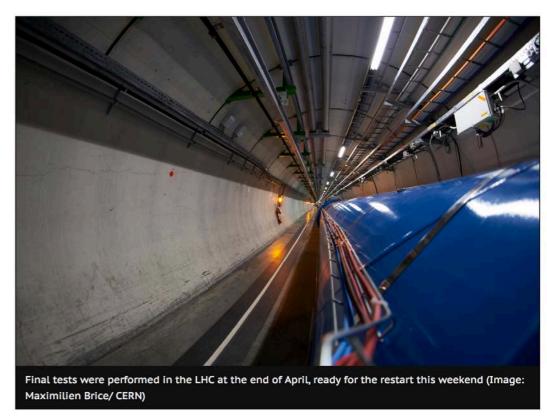


OVERVIEW

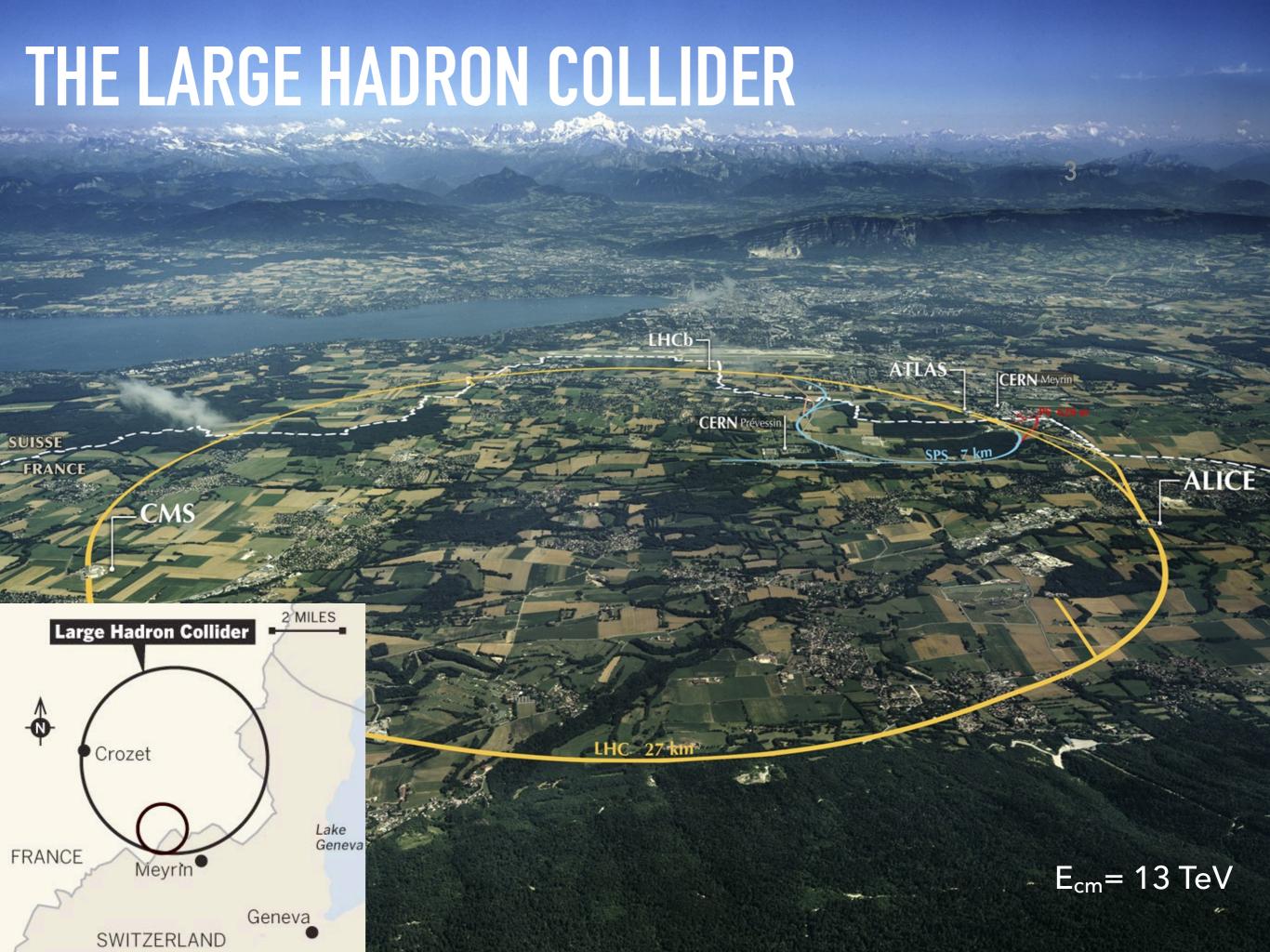
Updating you on the performance of the LHC and the ATLAS detector subsystems during 2016 data-taking - and looking forward to 2017.

- Large Hadron Collider
 - Outline, schedule and performance
- ATLAS Detector Run II performance
 - Detector operation and challenges
- Looking ahead to 2017 operation
 - Work during technical stop
 - Detector upgrades, software development
 - Current picture with first beam from the LHC

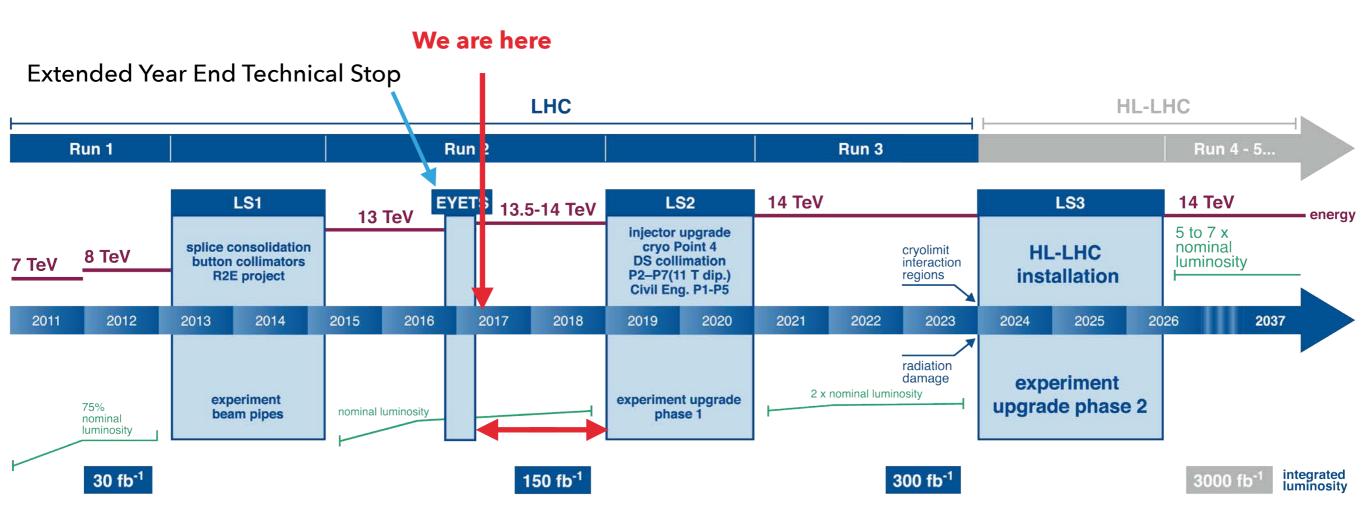








LHC SCHEDULE



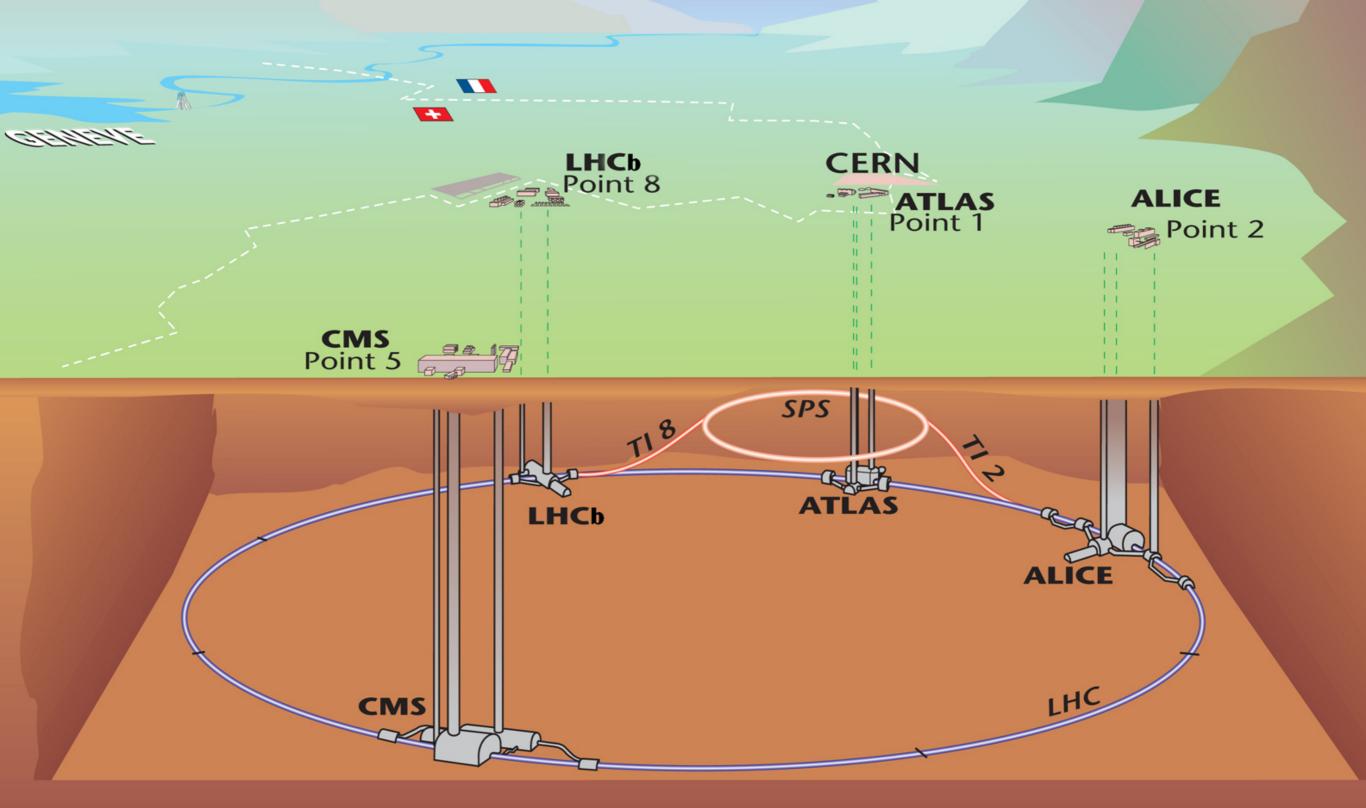
Ramping up for another
13 TeV data-taking
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Currently ~36 fb⁻¹ proton-proton data to analyse at 13 TeV

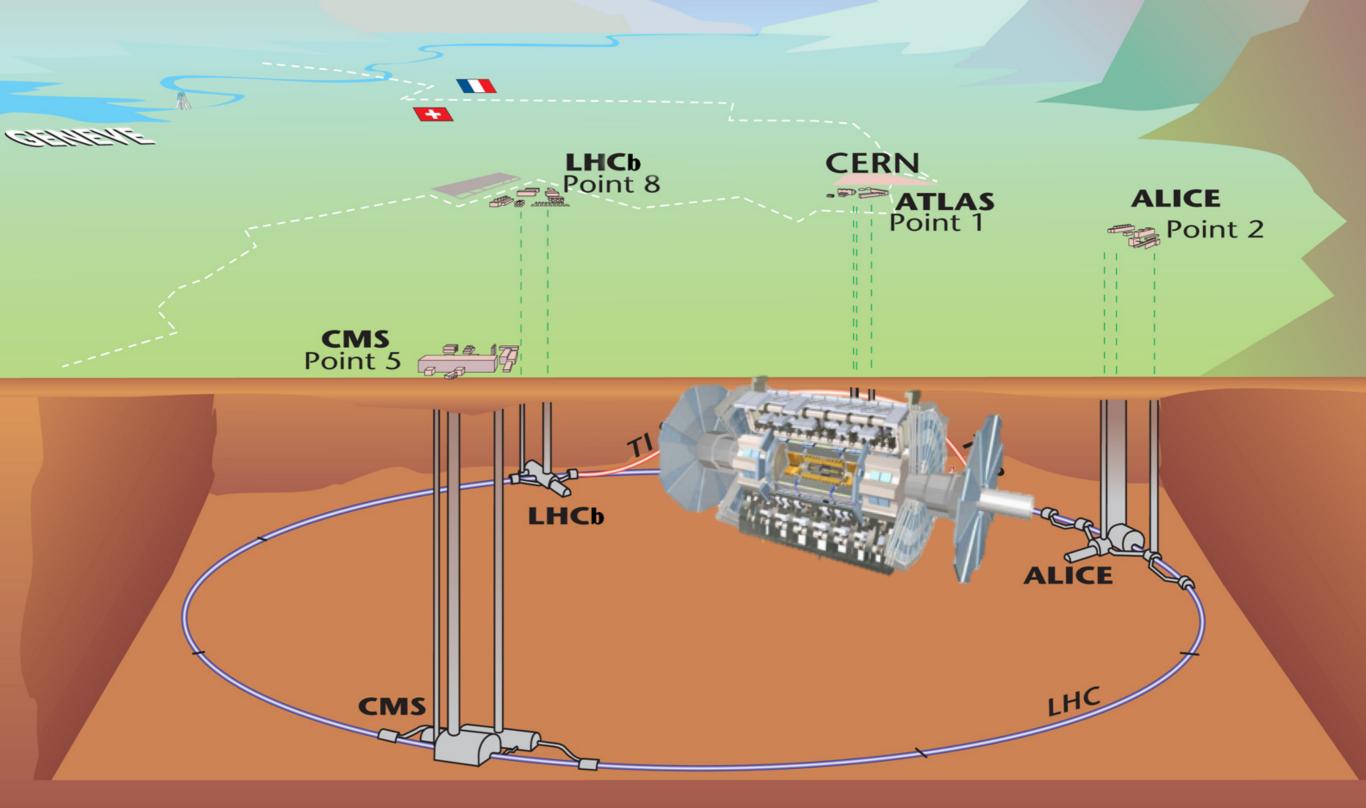




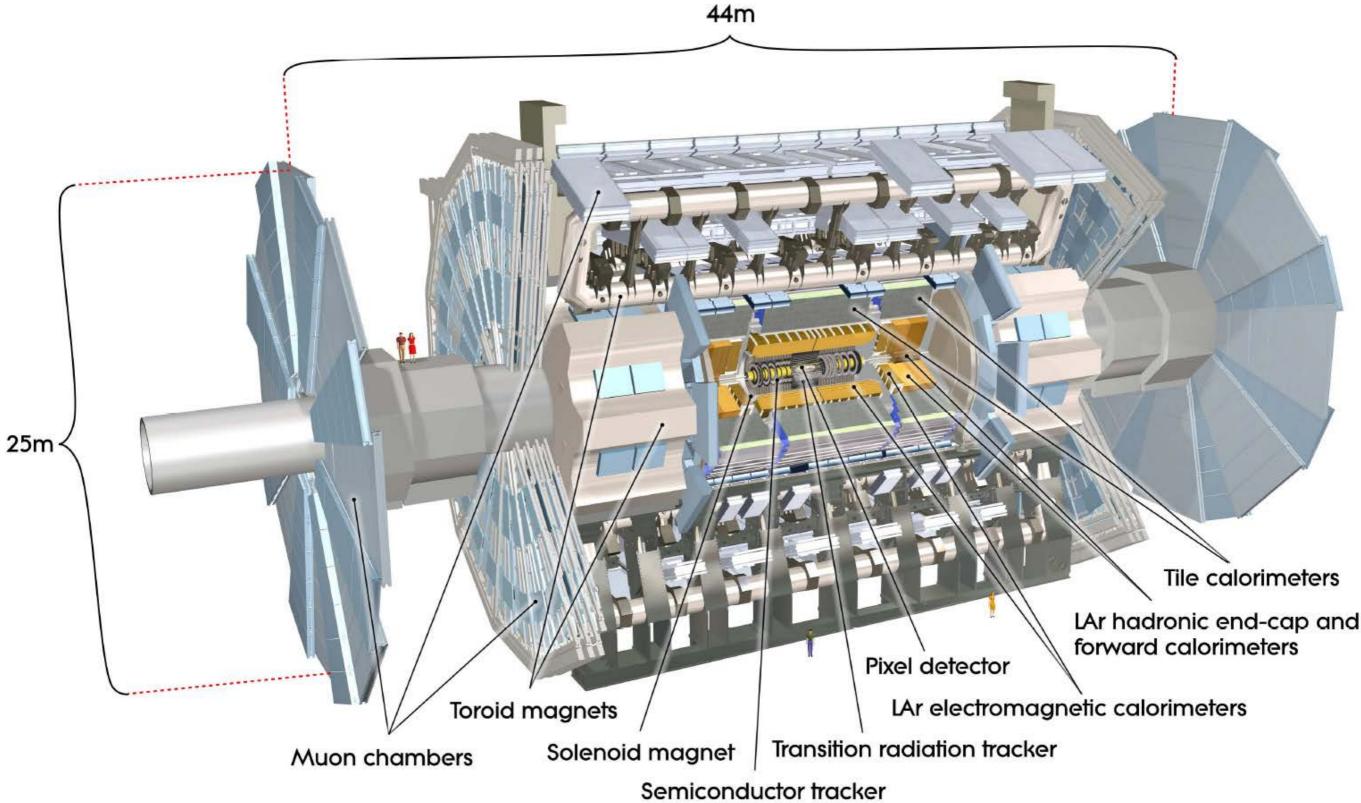
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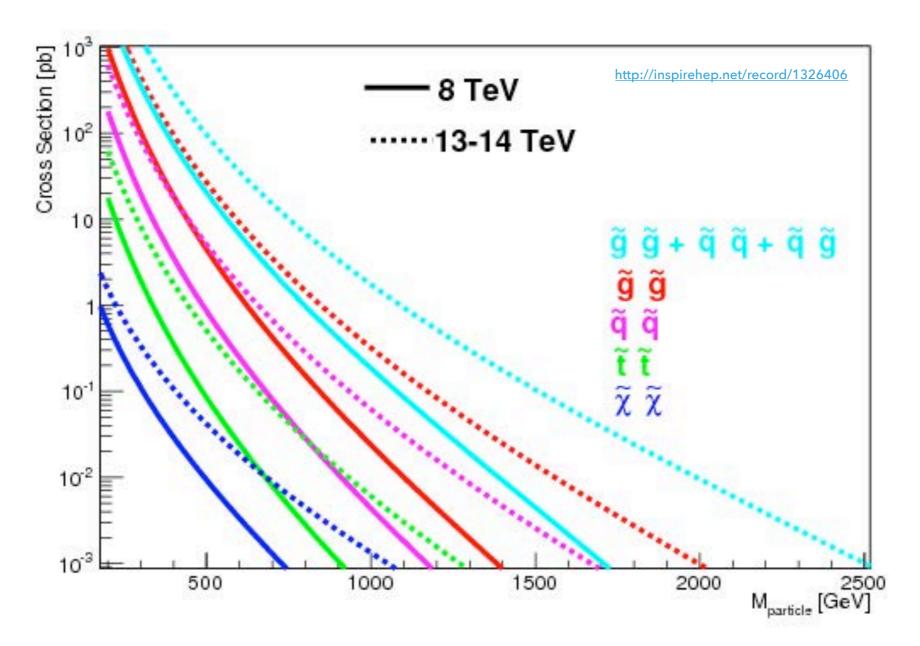






THE MOVE FROM 8 TEV TO 13 TEV

- Large gains to be had in terms of new physics discovery potential moving from 8 to 13 TeV
 - > Significant increase in squark & gluino production cross-section



Potentially gaining up to a factor 30 in rate for large particle masses!





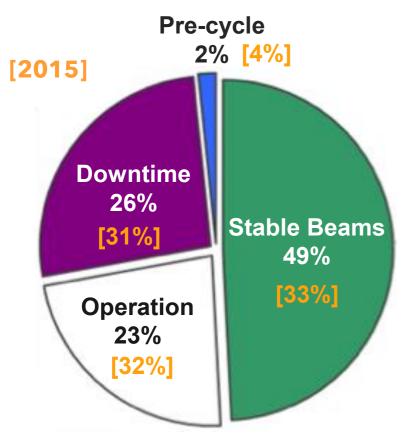
THE MOVE FROM RUN I TO RUN II

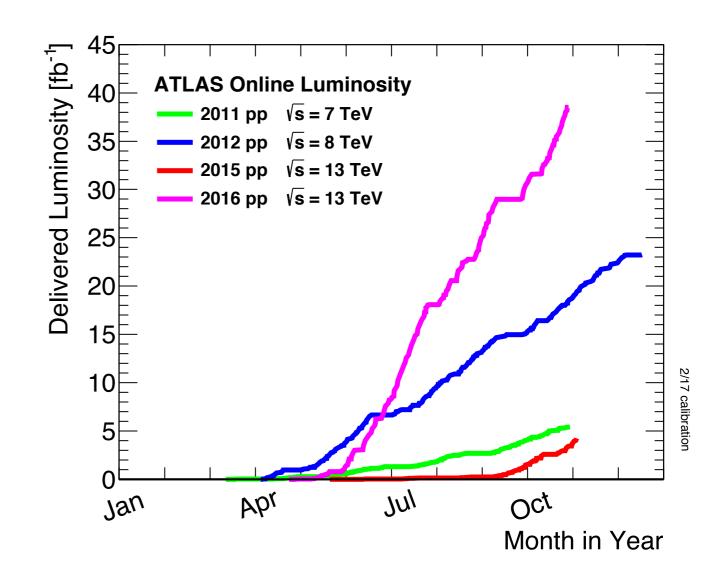
Increase in collision energy during 2015+2016

-> 13 TeV for the remainder of LHC Run II

Increase in collision rate (20 MHz -> 40 MHz)

-> 40 million proton bunch crossings per second!





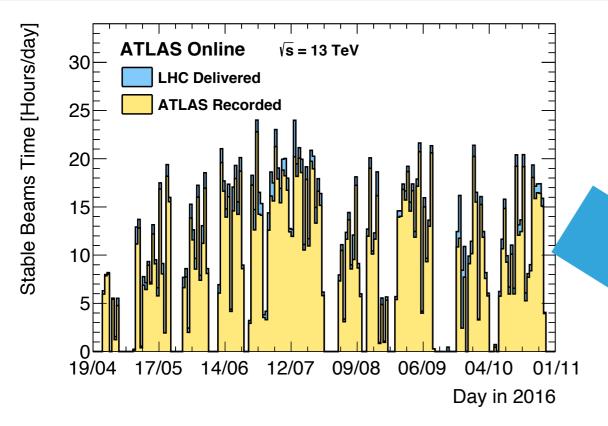
Excellent LHC performance during 2016!

LHC availability ~ 75 %, with ~ 50% stable beam time.





PROTON DATA-TAKING DURING 2016

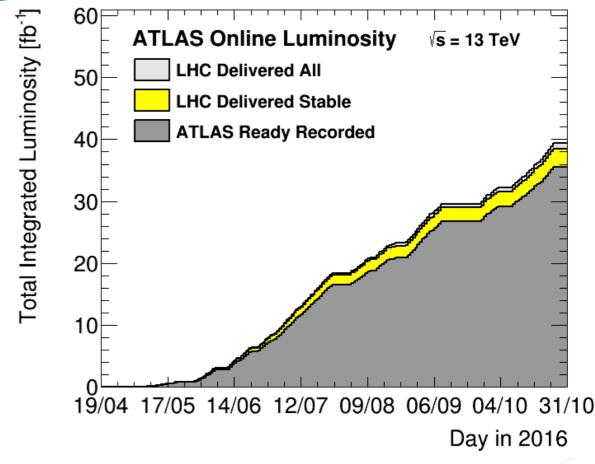


LHC regularly delivering 10-15 hours of stable beams/day!

- Large 2016 dataset delivered to ATLAS
 - 38 fb ⁻¹delivered
 - ▶ 35 fb⁻¹ recorded
 - ▶ 33 fb⁻¹ "good quality" data

36.1 fb⁻¹ data from 2015+2016 for physics analysis

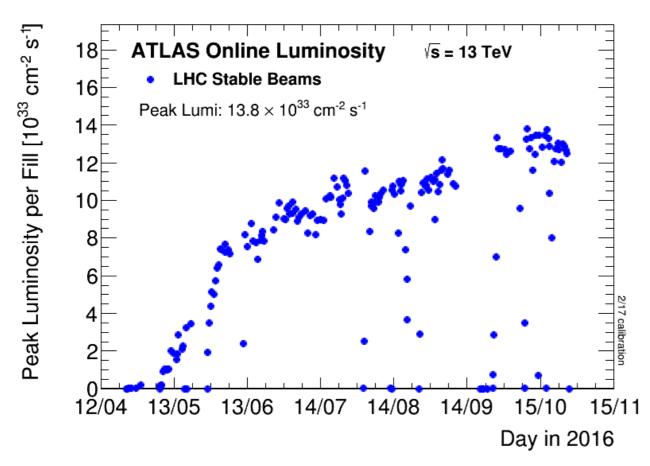
92.4% data-taking efficiency 93-95% data quality selection efficiency







RECORDING AT HIGH LUMINOSITY

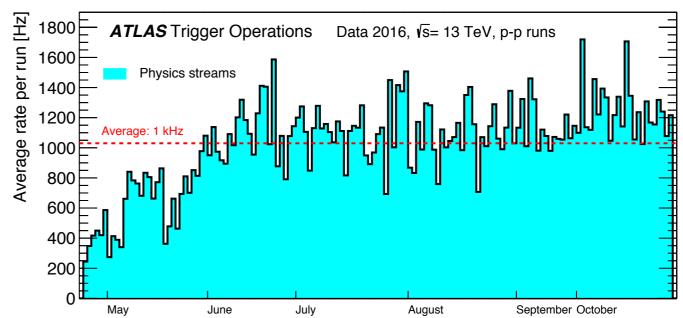


Steady increase in peak instantaneous luminosity during 2016

- Peak instantaneous luminosity up to 1.4x10³⁴ cm² s
- Peak interactions per bunch-crossing up to 52
- Writing out 3 GB/s at peak instantaneous luminosity
- Very challenging in terms trigger and detector operations!

Average recording rate of 1 kHz during 2016

- Increased interactions per bunch crossing ("pile-up")
- Increased occupancy
- Dead-time during data-taking





INNER DETECTOR PERFORMANCE

PIXEL DETECTOR

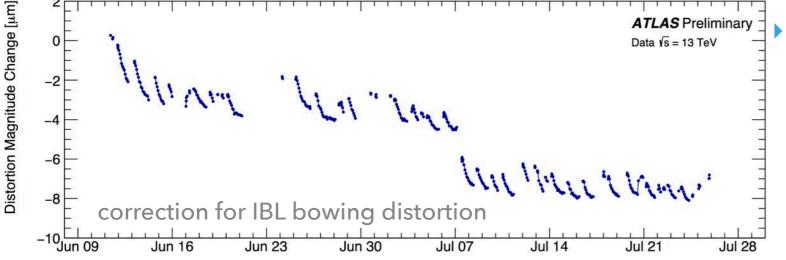
- 98.9% data-quality efficiency during 2016
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Date 2016

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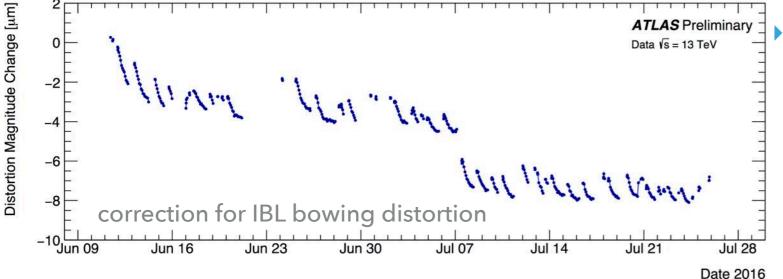
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CALORIMETER PERFORMANCE

LIQUID ARGON CALORIMETER

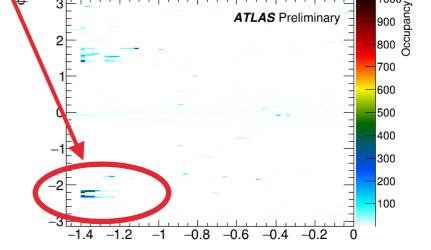
99.3% data-quality efficiency during 2016

- HW problems
 - ▶ Cooling leak in May 2016
 - ▶ HEC LV power supply issues affected 1/4 of the HEC A-side
 - Fixed during winter shutdown 2016/2017

Number of HV trips vastly reduced in 2016 due to new current control HV modules

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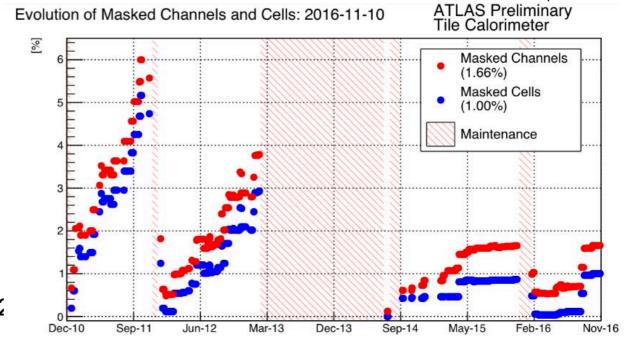
New treatment of detector noise implemented to reduce impact on data quality



TILE CALORIMETER

- 98.9% data-quality efficiency during 2016
 - ▶ Cooling leak in August 2016 isolated to single module
 - > Fewer noisy channels with respect to previous year operation.
 - Good stability of scintillator and PMT.





EMBC layer 2 cells (E _ > 600 MeV) - Before cleaning

ATLAS Preliminary

-0.8 -0.6 -0.4 -0.2

EMBC layer 2 cells (E _ > 600 MeV) - After cleaning

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MUON PERFORMANCE

CATHODE STRIP CHAMBERS (CSC)

- ▶ 99.9% data-quality efficiency
 - 3 dead layers due to broken wires

MONITOR DRIFT TUBES (MDT)

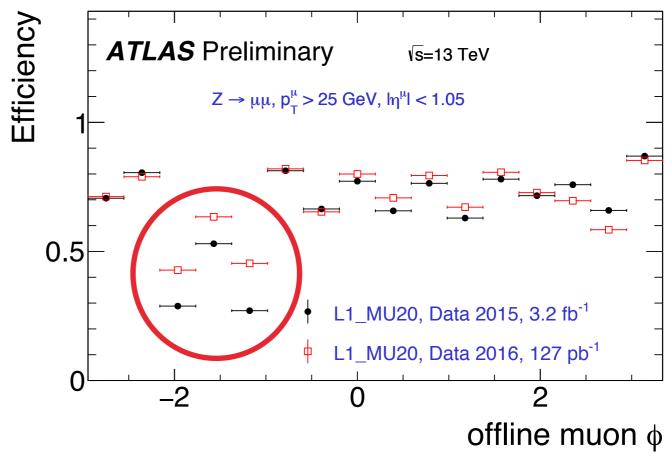
- ▶ 99.8% data-quality efficiency
 - Smooth operation

RESISTIVE PLATE CHAMBERS (RPC)

- ▶ 99.8% data-quality efficiency
 - New trigger chambers in "feet" region fully operational



- > 99.9% data-quality efficiency
 - "Noise burst" veto activated in October to reject noise in TGCs.

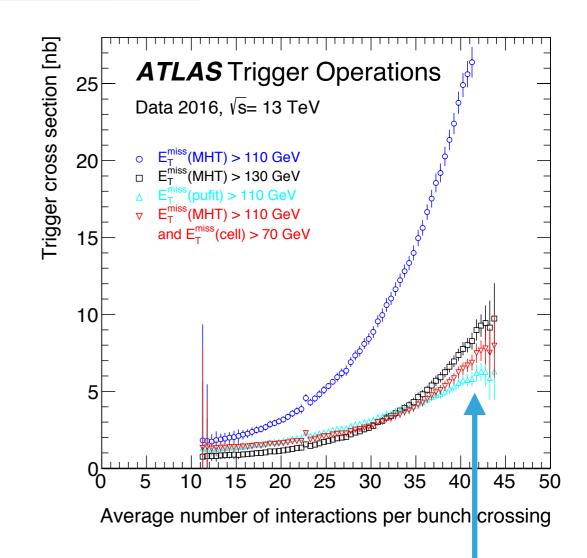






PILING UP THE TRIGGER

- Extensive work in preparation for new data-taking campaign:
 - ▶ Code optimisation (e.g. reduction in HLT processing time of ~20%)
 - Increased/revised thresholds
 - New ideas for triggers
- Exponential pile-up dependence of E_T trigger rate
 - Forced to raise E_T^{miss} trigger thresholds in 2016
 - Current trend not sustainable for 2017





NEW PUFIT ALGORITHM FOR ETMISS TRIGGERS INTRODUCED FOR 2017 OPERATION

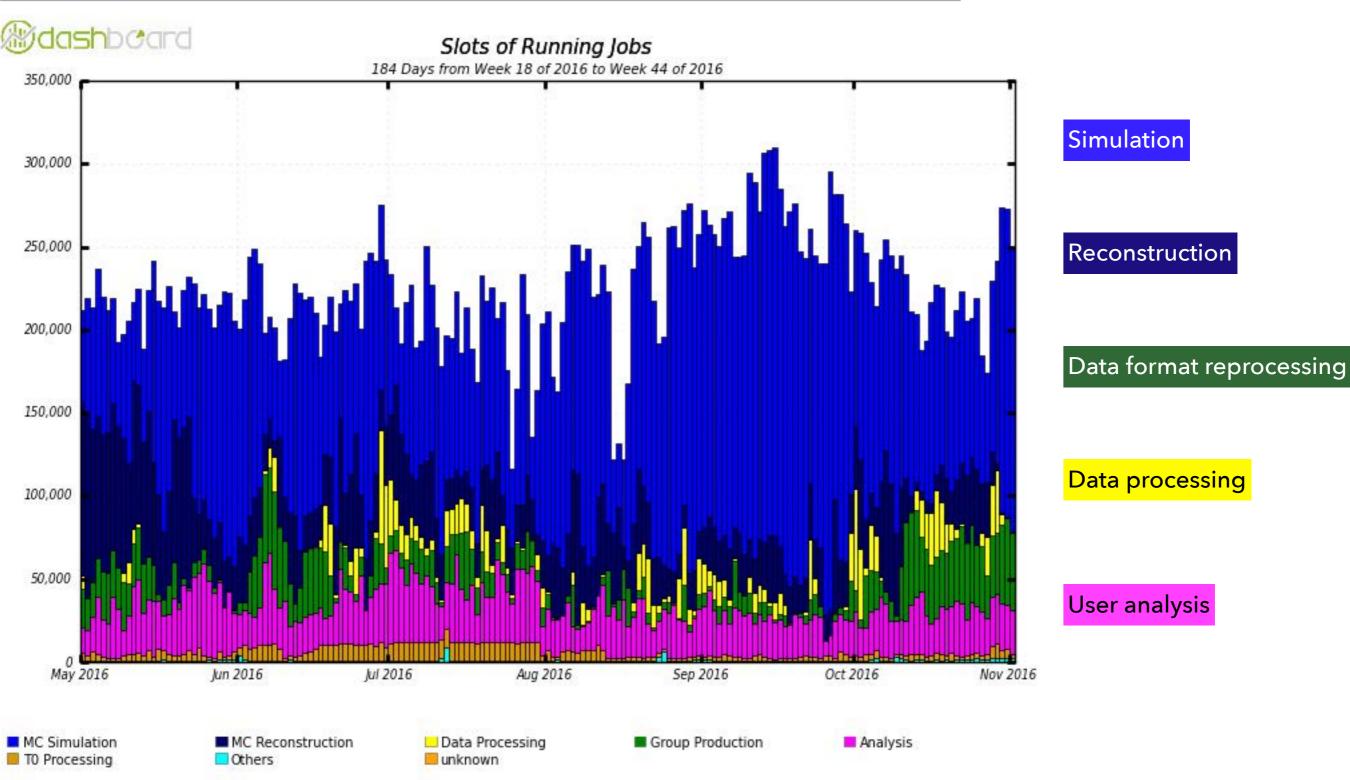
- Calorimeter clusters grouped into "towers", which are deemed to come from pile-up if their E_T falls below a pile-up dependent threshold.
- The fitted E_T values of these pile-up contributions are used to correct the E_T of the calorimeter topological clusters.

Significant reduction in pileup dependence





COMPUTING DURING 2016



Maximum: 309,861, Minimum: 116,208, Average: 224,604, Current: 249,196

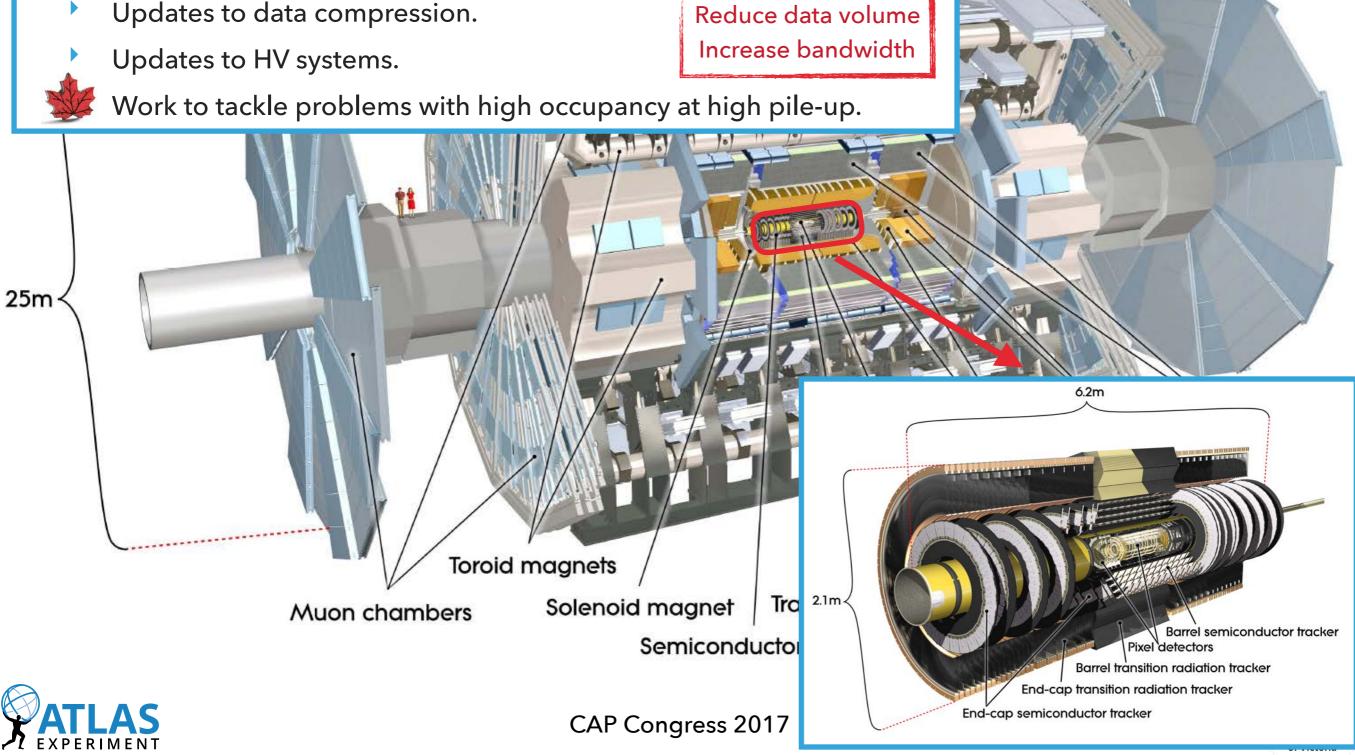
Tier0 cluster size increased over the year - continue to exploit all available resources, including clouds.





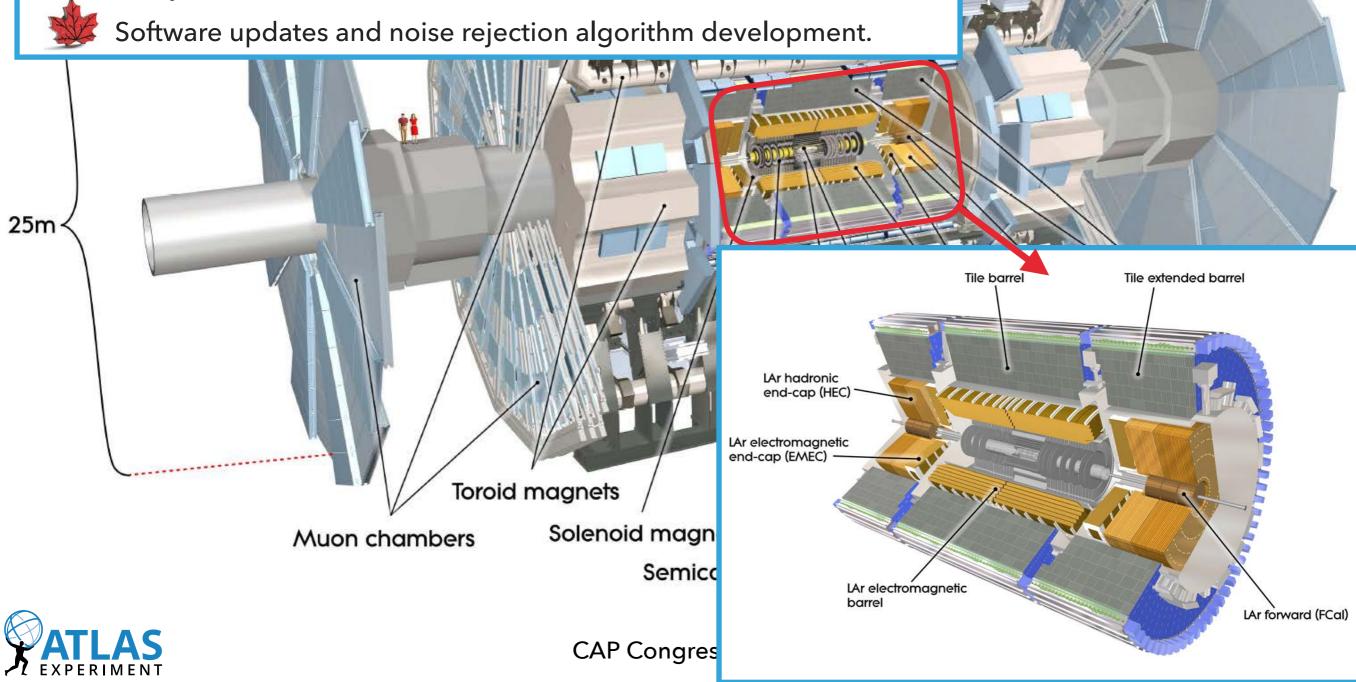
Inner detectors

- Improvements to readout systems (20% gain for TRT, factor 2 pixel).
- Updates to data compression.



Calorimeters

- Hardware repairs (including Tile cooling leak).
- Increase Tile Calorimeter readout by factor of two.
- HV system maintenance.

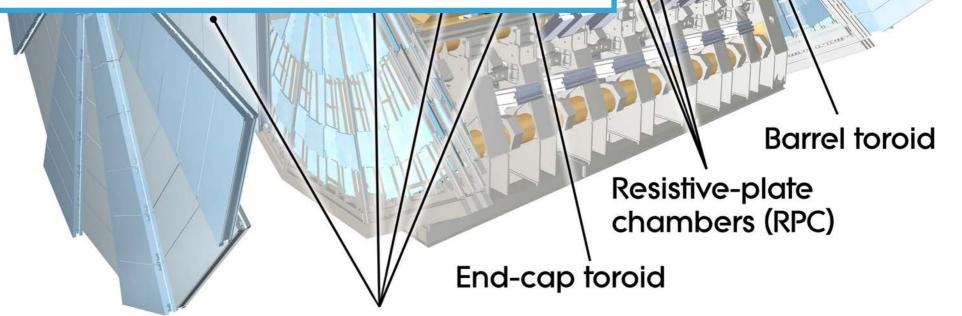


Thin-gap chambers (TGC)

Cathode strip chambers (CSC)

Muon system

- Repair broken wires in two muon chambers.
- Installation of 12 new sMDT chambers in the "feet" of ATLAS.
- Noise reduction and mitigation.
- Gas leak repairs and flow rate meter integration in RPCs/MDTs.
- Power supply replacements.
- TGC chamber replacements.





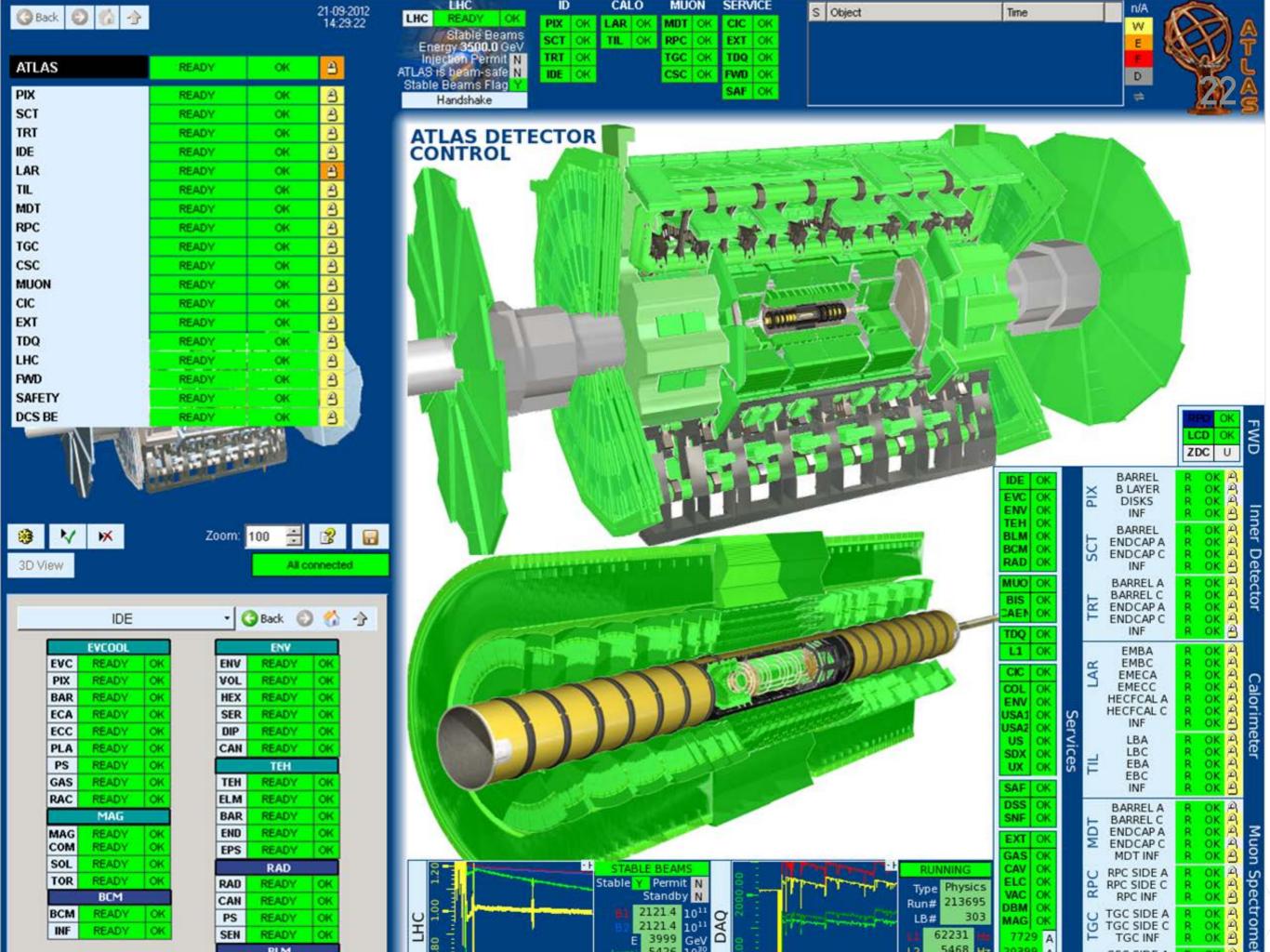
Monitored drift tubes (MDT)

ATLAS Run-2 Detector Status (from May 2017)

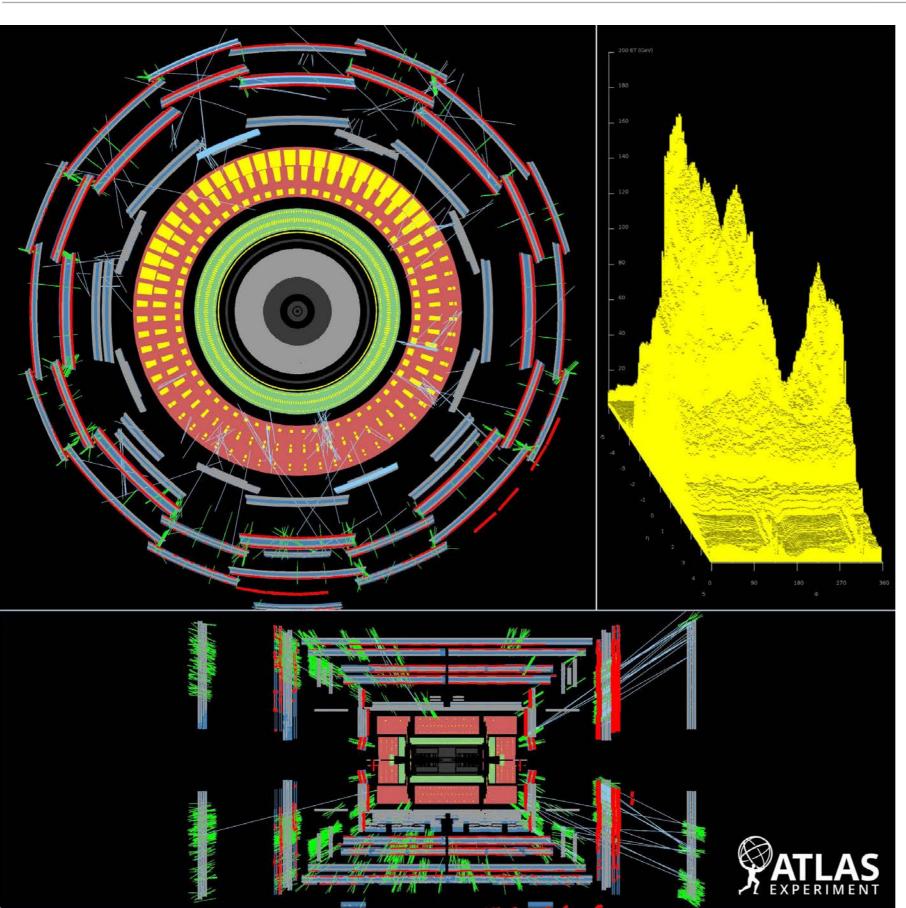
Subdetector	Number of Channels	Approximate Operational Fraction
Pixels	92 M	97.8%
SCT Silicon Strips	6.3 M	98.7%
TRT Transition Radiation Tracker	350 k	97.2%
LAr EM Calorimeter	170 k	100 %
Tile Calorimeter	5200	99.9%
Hadronic End-Cap LAr Calorimeter	5600	99.5%
Forward LAr Calorimeter	3500	99.7%
LVL1 Calo Trigger	7160	99.9%
LVL1 Muon RPC Trigger	383 k	99.8%
LVL1 Muon TGC Trigger	320 k	99.9%
MDT Muon Drift Tubes	357 k	99.7%
CSC Cathode Strip Chambers	31 k	96.1%
RPC Barrel Muon Chambers	383 k	94.4%
TGC End-Cap Muon Chambers	320 k	99.5%
ALFA	10 k	99.9%
AFP	430 k	93.8%







FIRST BEAM OF 2017!



BEAM SPLASH EVENT 29 APRIL 2017

Beams return to ATLAS in the first "splash" events of 2017.

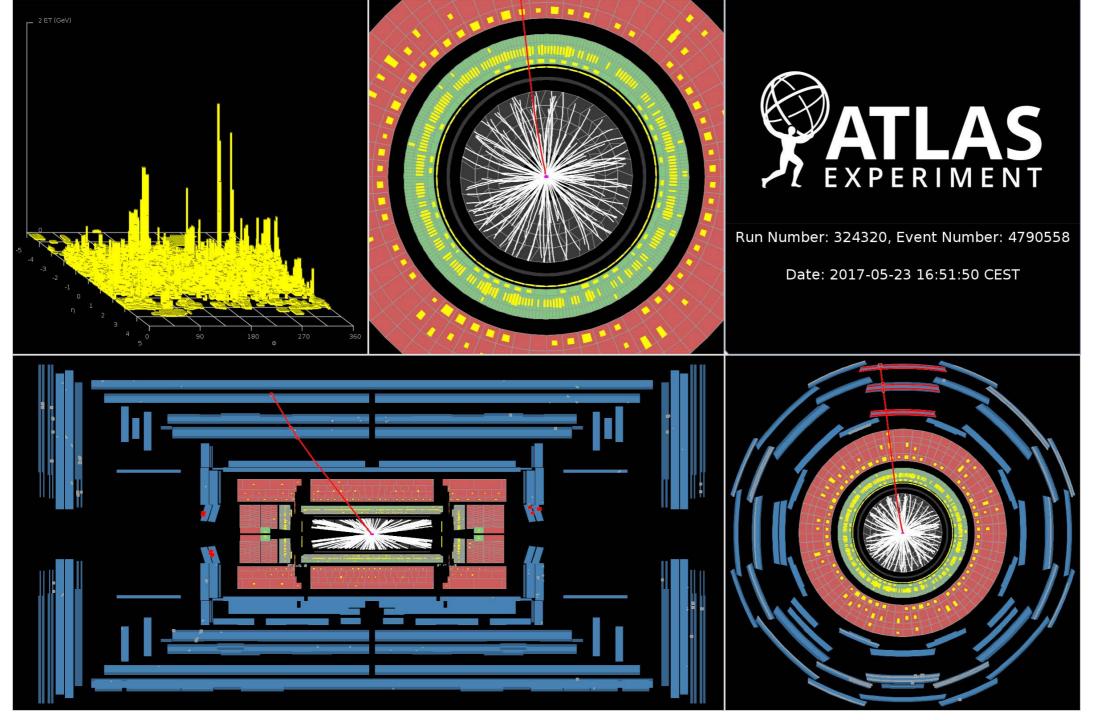
Splashes are generated when protons circulating the collider ring strike collimators downstream from ATLAS.

The resulting spray of particles strike the detector, causing it to light up all the sub-detectors.



FIRST STABLE BEAMS OF 2017!

One of the early collision events with stable beams recorded by ATLAS on 23 May 2017, with a reconstructed muon candidate.



Eta-phi view of the energy deposits in the cells of the ATLAS calorimeters and a transverse view of the inner tracking detectors.

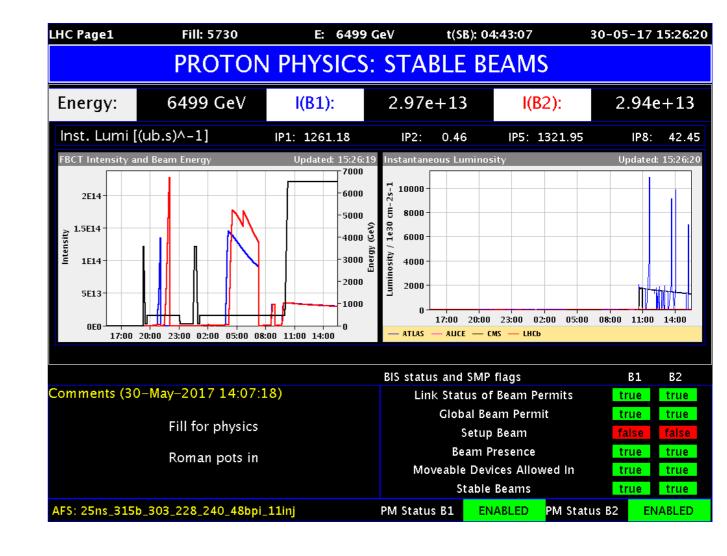
ATLAS in longitudinal cross-section and a transverse view of the whole detector.





SUMMARY

- Excellent LHC availability and performance last year
 - > 38 fb⁻¹ delivered to ATLAS during 2016
- Increased luminosity and pile-up posed challenges for detector, trigger and computing systems
 - Lessons help to prepare for what's to come in 2017
- Extensive work during EYETS to ready ALTAS for 13 TeV data-taking this year
 - Already starting the 2017 ramp-up





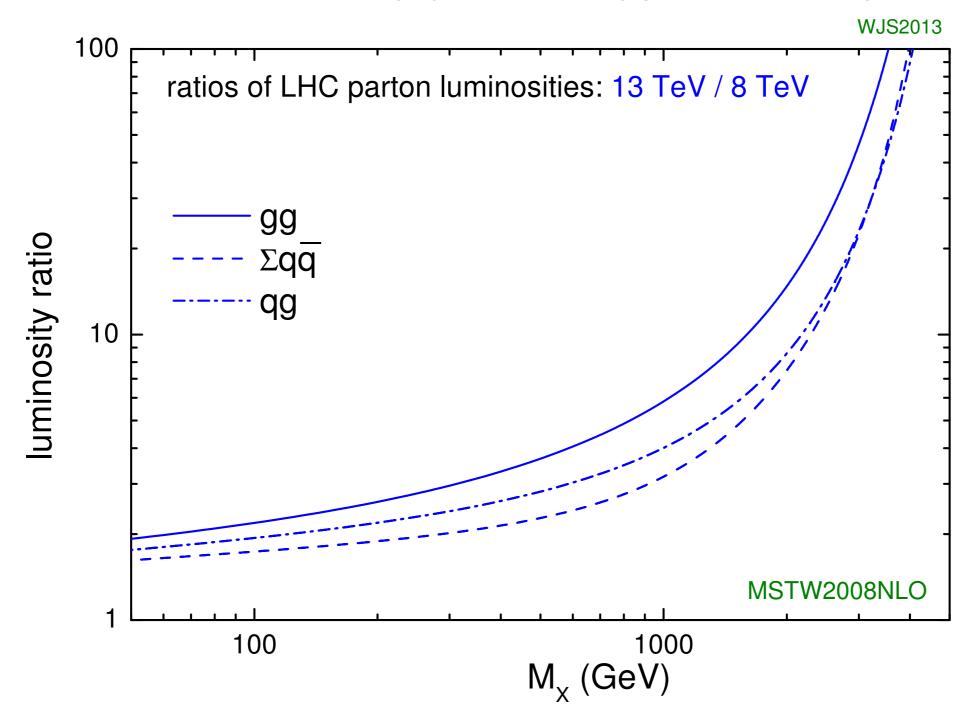




BACKUP

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Potential gains of > factor 10 for large particle masses.





FORWARD/LUMINOSITY



- Upgraded LUCID detector installed end of 2015
- New electronics to cope with 25 ns bunchspacing.
- Smaller acceptance to avoid saturation.
- Preferred source of luminosity measurement for 2016 operations - also used to monitor noncollision background.

TIMEPIX

Not "forward", but also offers handle on luminosity

- ▶ Two silicon Timepix detectors interleaved with neutron converters.
- Active area 2cm

ALFA

- ▶ Total cross-section and luminosity measurement
 - Mainly active for high beta* 2.5km runs $(330 \mu b^{-1}).$
 - ▶ Increase in radiation in 2016 by factor ~10 (AFP)
 - Increase shielding to reduce impact from radiation during EYETS.

AFP



First AFP arm commissioned during 2016

- Restricted usage due to concerns over ALFA radiation exposure.
- Second arm and time-of-flight detector installed during EYETS.
- Continuous operation planned for 2017 running.



