



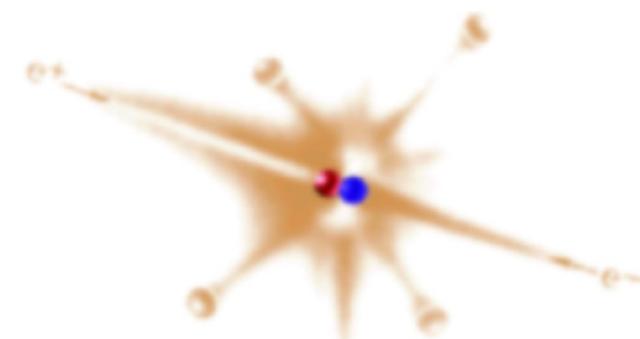
# Beam Loss Patterns at LHC Collimators

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## Calibration of BLM Thresholds

Master Thesis

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# Overview of Study

- ★ Part 1: Reproduction of BLM detector measurements by simulation
- ★ Part 2: Prediction of BLM detector signal for the actual LHC setup

## Measurement vs. Simulation for LHC-like Setup in SPS

- ★ **Setup:** LHC collimator, 2 IC's, and 1 SEM detector
- ★ **Simulation tool:** Monte Carlo particle code FLUKA
- ★ **Aim:** determine accuracy of predicting BLM signals by simulations for an LHC collimation scenario

## Prediction of BLM Signals for LHC Collimation Setup

- ★ **Implementation:** a cell consisting of a (exchangeable) collimator and IC-SEM detector pair
- ★ **Prediction:**
  - ★ BLM signal per beam proton (=normalized dose)
  - ★ BLM signal per total and peak energy deposition in the collimator
- ★ **Focus:** variation of BLM signals and energy dep. in collimator due to BLM misalignment & beam impact scenario



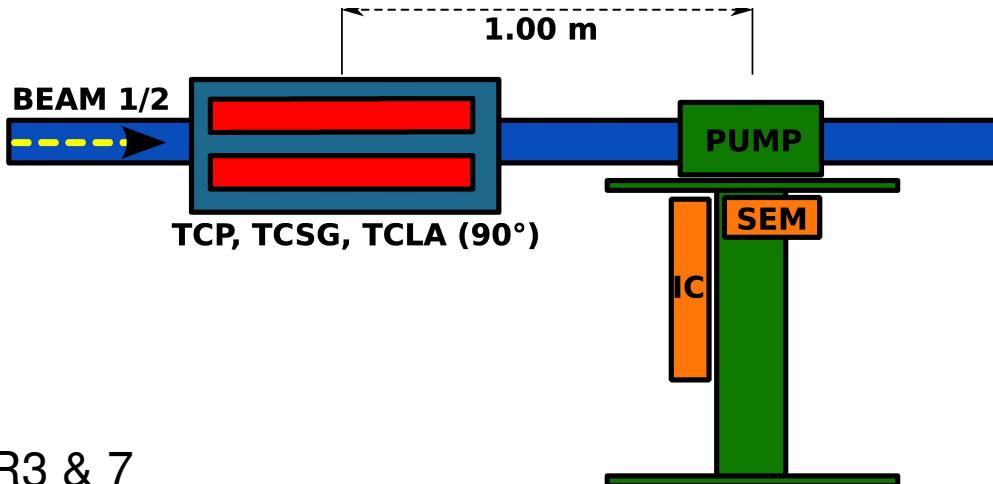
# Collimator Types & Locations

## Types of Collimators



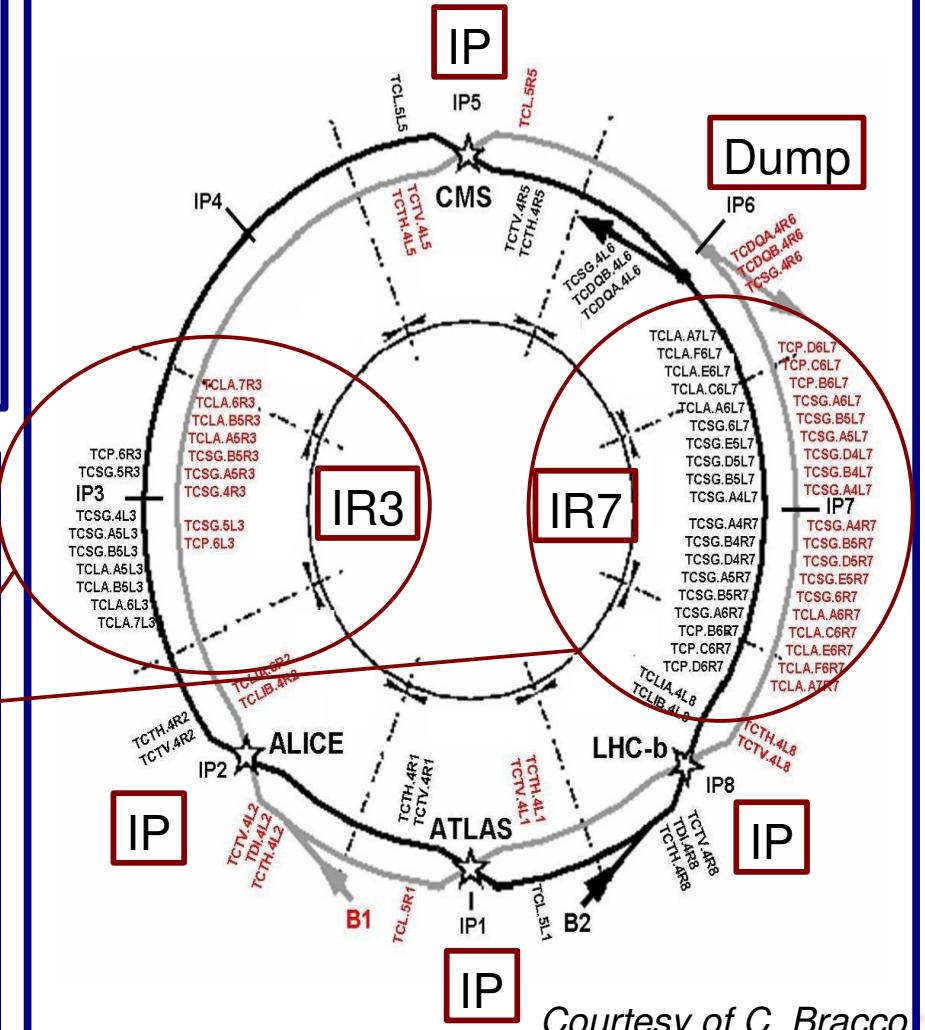
Name	Active Jaw	Material
TCP	60cm	C
TCSG	100m	C
TCLA(TCT)	100m	W in Cu

## Exemplary Setup



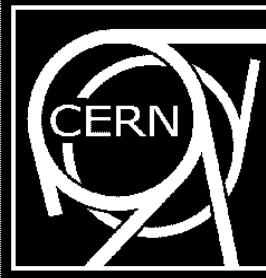
IR3 & 7

## Locations

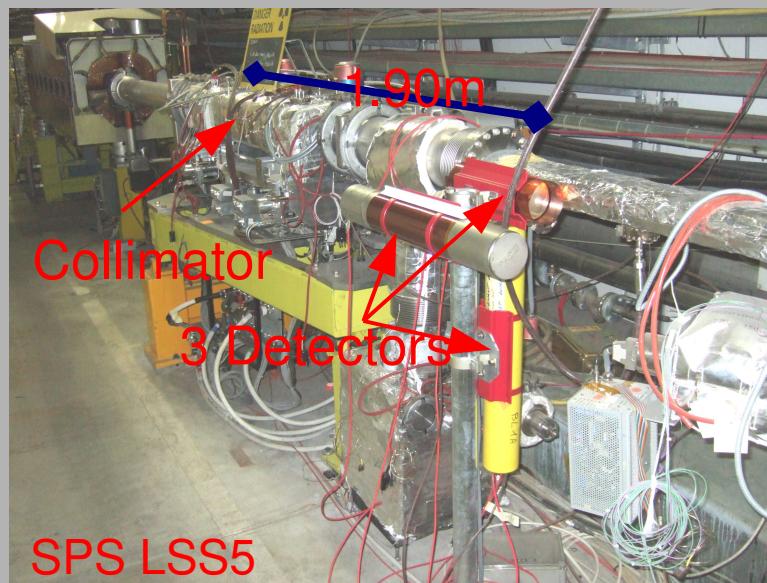
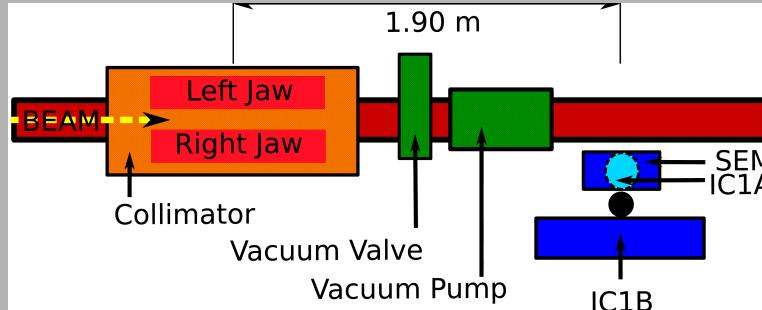




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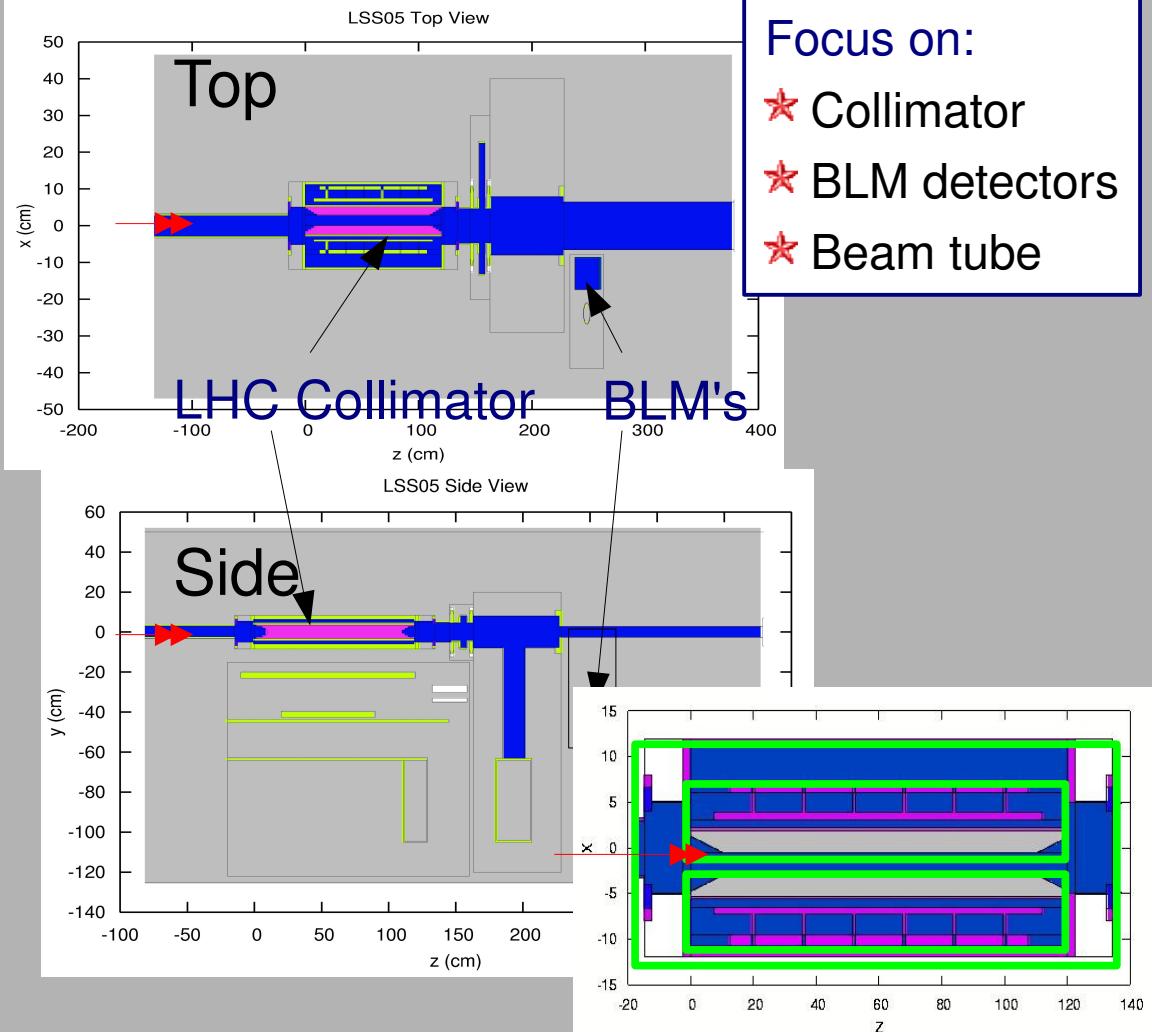


## Setup Experiment



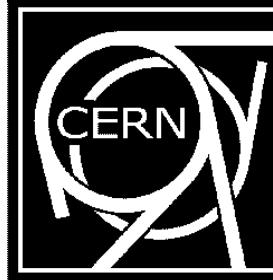
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## FLUKA Geometry





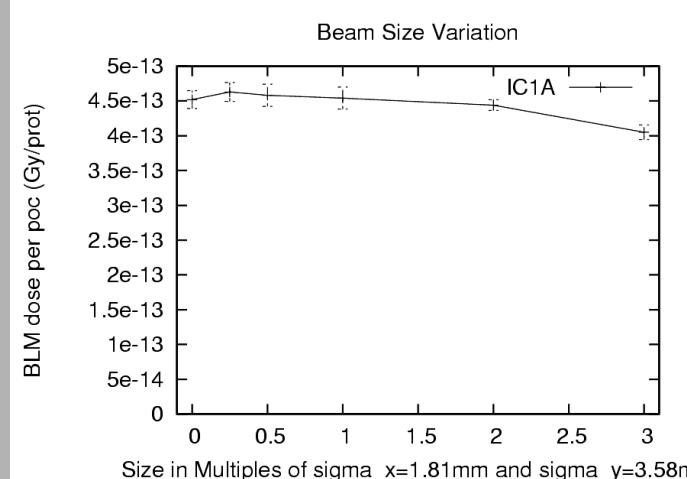
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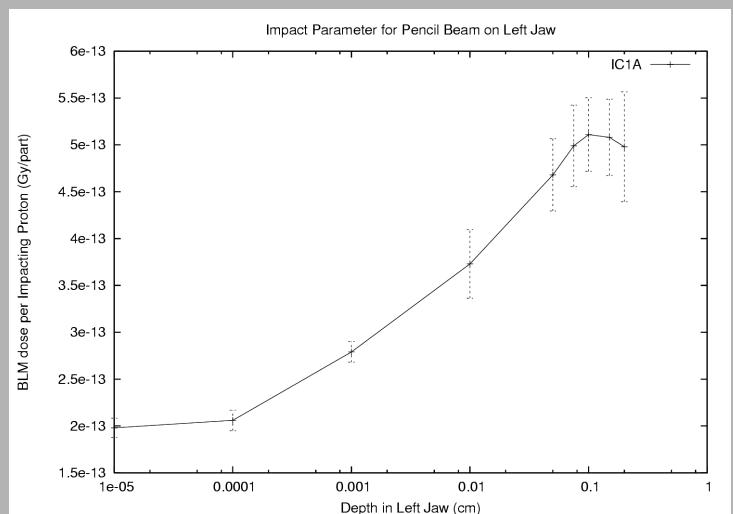
## Sensitivity studies for BLM signals

- ★ Misalignment
- ★ Geom. simplification
- ★ Production and transport thresholds
- ★ Impact scenarios
- =>Max. change 15%

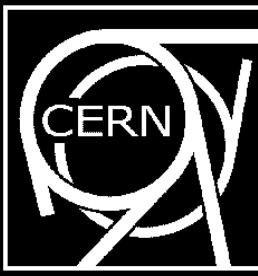
BLM dose per proton [Gy/part]



Multiples of measured beam size



Depth of pencil beam in left jaw [cm]



# Measurements in the SPS

## Data

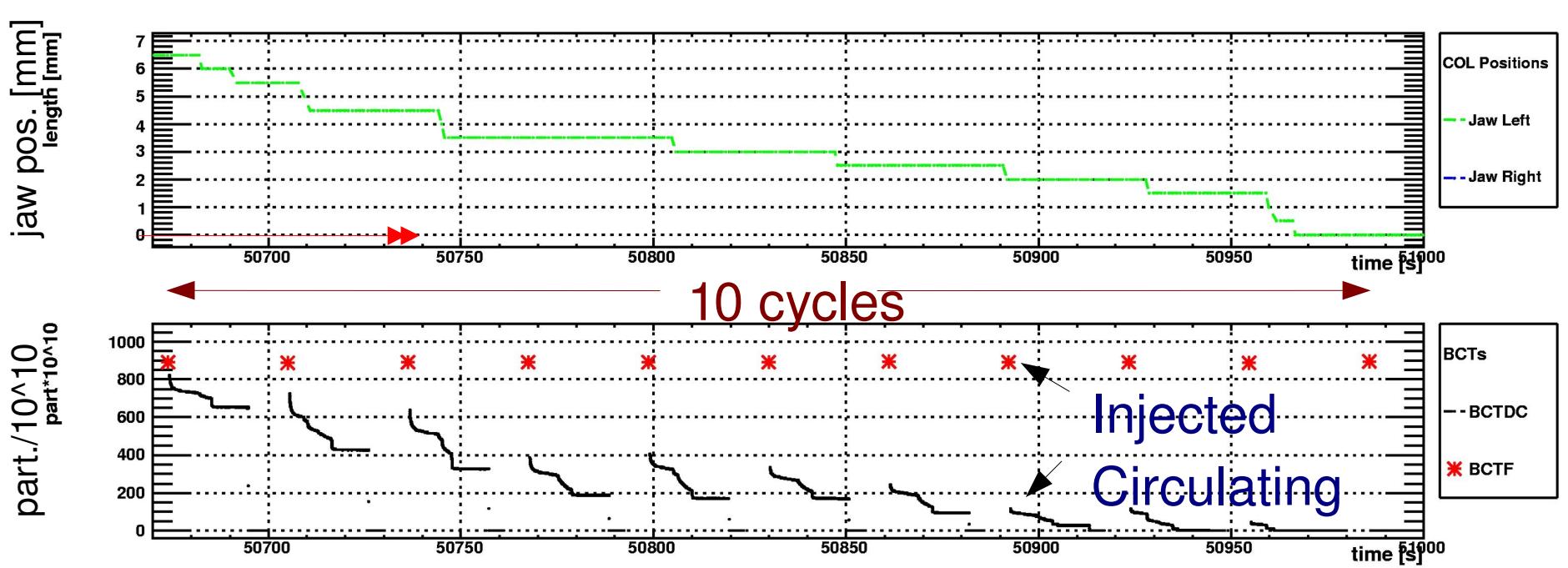
★ 3 sessions: circulating mode @ 26 GeV (cycle = 20 sec)

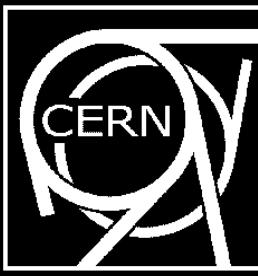
★ Injected intensities:  $10\text{-}90 \times 10^{10}$ ,  $900 \times 10^{10}$ ,  $1300 \times 10^{10}$  protons

## Acquisition

★ Acquisition: beam intensity (beam current transf.), BLM detector signals, collimator jaw positions, wire scanner (transversal beam intensity distribution)

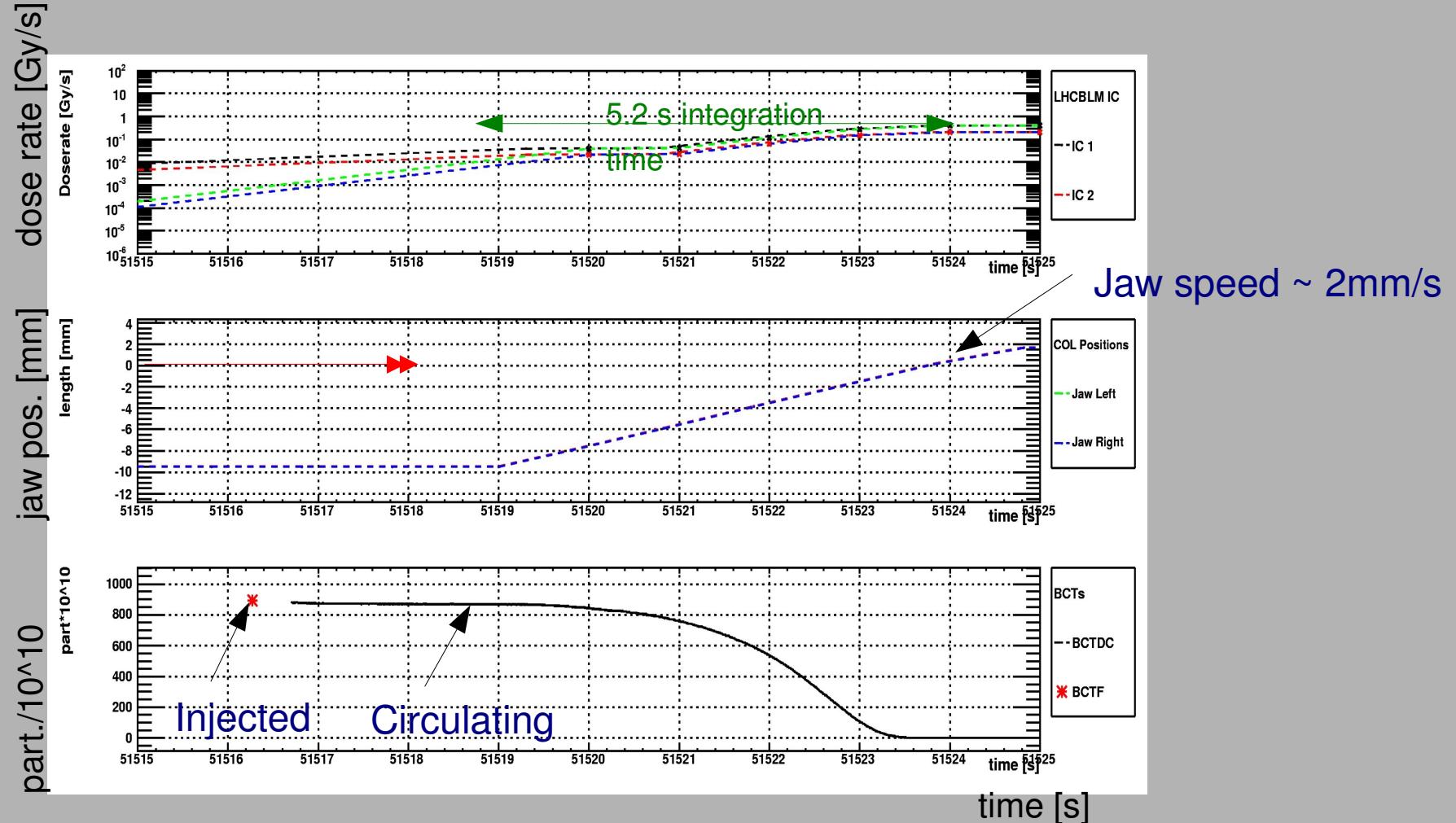
### First Method: “Direct Dumping”





# Measurements in the SPS

## Second Method: “Continuous Scraping”





# Comparison: Measurement vs. Simulation

## First Method: “Direct Dumping”

- ★ High intensities in short time
- ★ IC detectors: space-charge effects
- ★ Similar to LHC failure scenario

Max. deviation (Meas./Sim.):

IC: +9%

SEM: Sim1: -30%      Sim2: -40%

Session	No. 1		No. 2		No. 3	
Jaw Pos. [mm]	Left	Right	Left	Right	Left	Right
Meas.	Normalized dose/ $10^{-13}$ [Gy/proton lost on collimator]					
IC1B	saturated		saturated		$2.70 \pm 0.10$	$2.50 \pm 0.07$
SEM	$7.60 \pm 0.12$	$7.32 \pm 0.12$	$3.11 \pm 0.02$	$2.98 \pm 0.02$	$5.73 \pm 0.17$	$4.27 \pm 0.05$
Sim.	Normalized dose/ $10^{-13}$ [Gy/proton lost on collimator]					
IC1B	-	-	-	-	$2.49 \pm 0.07$	$2.30 \pm 0.13$
SEM	$10.2 \pm 0.4$	$10.4 \pm 0.3$	$10.2 \pm 0.4$	$10.4 \pm 0.3$	$7.13 \pm 0.19$	$5.95 \pm 0.24$
Ratio	Measurement/Simulation					
IC1B	-	-	-	-	1.08	1.09
SEM	0.75	0.70	0.31	0.29	0.80	0.72

## Second Method: “Continuous Scraping”

- ★ Intensities are integrated over ~3sec
- ★ Bigger uncertainties of BLM signals due to:
  - ★ Returning protons
  - ★ Impact distribution/beam-jaw angle
- ★ Similar to LHC nominal scenario

Max. deviation (Meas./Sim.):

IC: +/-21%

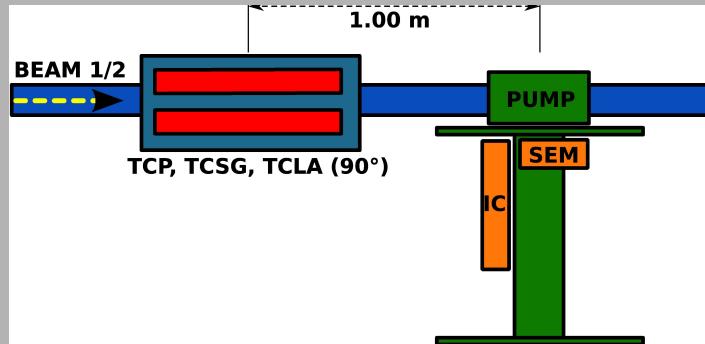
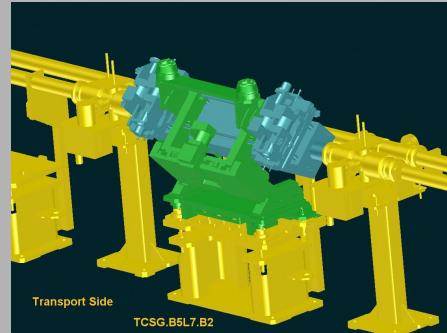
SEM: Sim1: +73%      Sim2: +/-40%

Session	No. 1		No. 3		Ratio 1	Ratio 3
Jaw	Left	Right	Left	Right	Left/Right	
Meas.	Normalized dose/ $10^{-13}$ [Gy/proton lost on collimator]					
IC1A	$3.08 \pm 0.02$	$2.26 \pm 0.12$	$2.64 \pm 0.04$	$2.41 \pm 0.02$	1.36	1.09
IC1B	-	-	$1.92 \pm 0.03$	$1.95 \pm 0.01$	-	0.98
SEM	$9.84 \pm 0.30$	$8.35 \pm 0.30$	$8.57 \pm 0.43$	$7.65 \pm 0.42$	1.18	1.12
Sim.	Normalized dose/ $10^{-13}$ [Gy/proton lost on collimator]					
IC1A	$3.19 \pm 0.45$	$2.14 \pm 0.30$	$3.33 \pm 0.43$	$2.57 \pm 0.38$	1.49	1.30
IC1B	$2.20 \pm 0.31$	$1.57 \pm 0.22$	$2.41 \pm 0.35$	$1.62 \pm 0.21$	1.40	1.48
SEM	$8.18 \pm 1.22$	$5.10 \pm 0.81$	$8.56 \pm 1.19$	$4.40 \pm 0.61$	1.60	1.95
Ratio	Measurement/Simulation					
IC1A	0.97	1.06	0.79	0.94		
IC1B	-	-	0.80	1.20		
SEM	1.20	1.64	1.00	1.73		



# Simulations for LHC Setup

Approach: Implementation of single “Collimator-Detector Cell”



## Aim:

Predicting ratios of BLM signal to total and peak energy deposition (ED) in collimators

## Focus:

Dependency of these ratios on different parameters:

- ★ detector misalignment
- ★ impact parameter
- ★ beam-jaw angle
- ★ higher order particle halos from upstream

## Cross-checks

Previous SPS simulation:

- ★ Particle fluxes through BLM detectors are comparable

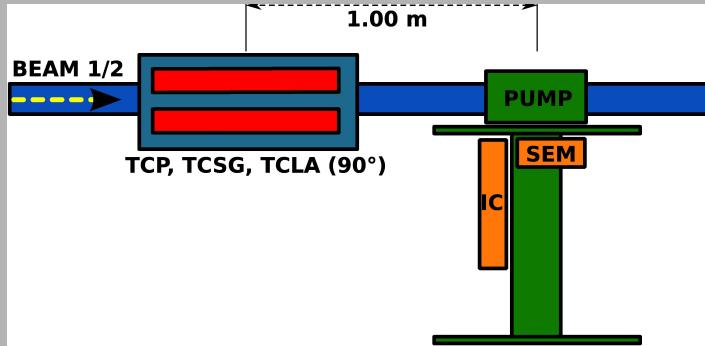
Implementation by FLUKA team:

- ★ BLM signals agree within 5%



# LHC Setup: Cell Geometry

## Geometry



Signal of the BLM's influenced by:

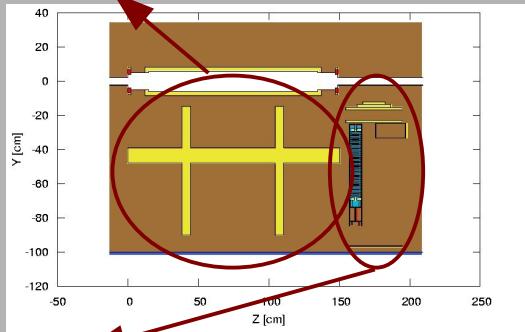
- ★ Simplification of the Geometry

All collimator-detector cells are similar, but:

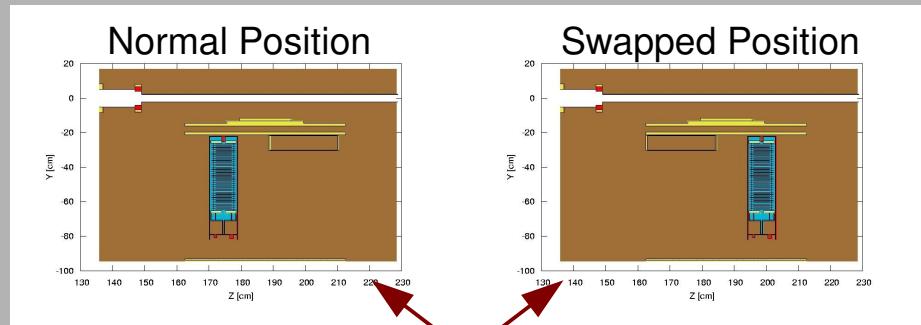
- ★ Misalignment of BLM's
- ★ BLM detector position may vary
- ★ Rotational position of the collimator varies

## Influence on BLM Signal

- ★ Simplified support (max. change 16%)



- ★ Displacing BLM support (max. change 22%)



- ★ Change between two positions (max. change 137%)

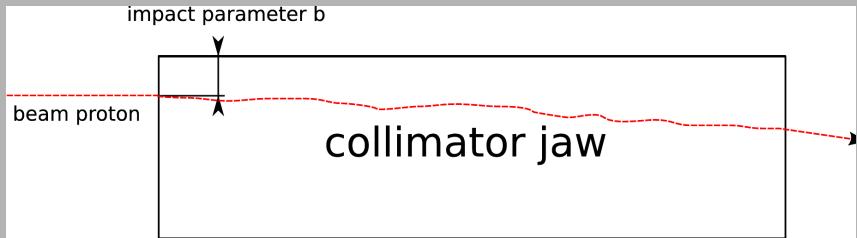
- ★ Rotational position (max. change 36%)



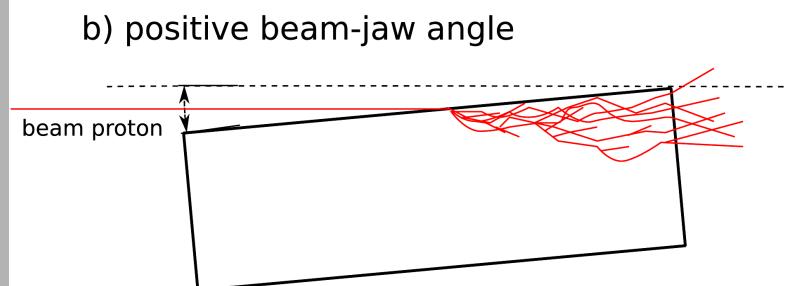
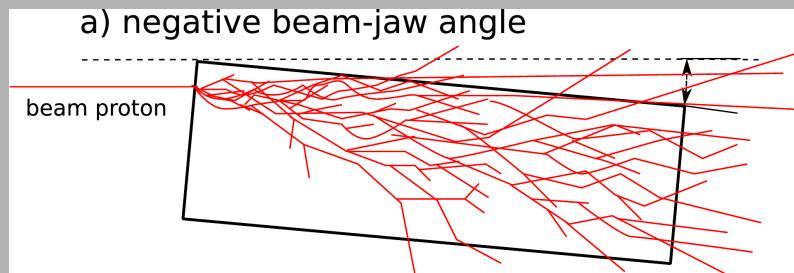
# LHC Setup: Collimator Jaws

## Situation

- ★ Beam protons on jaw with small impact parameters ( $\mu\text{m}$  to  $\text{mm}$ )

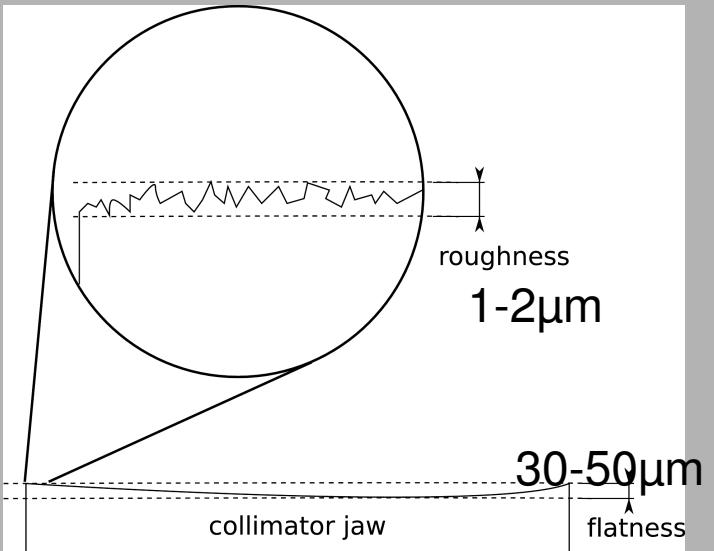


- ★ Beam-jaw angle may vary for operational scenario ( $\sim 10\mu\text{m}$ )



## Additionally

- ★ Surface structure of collimator

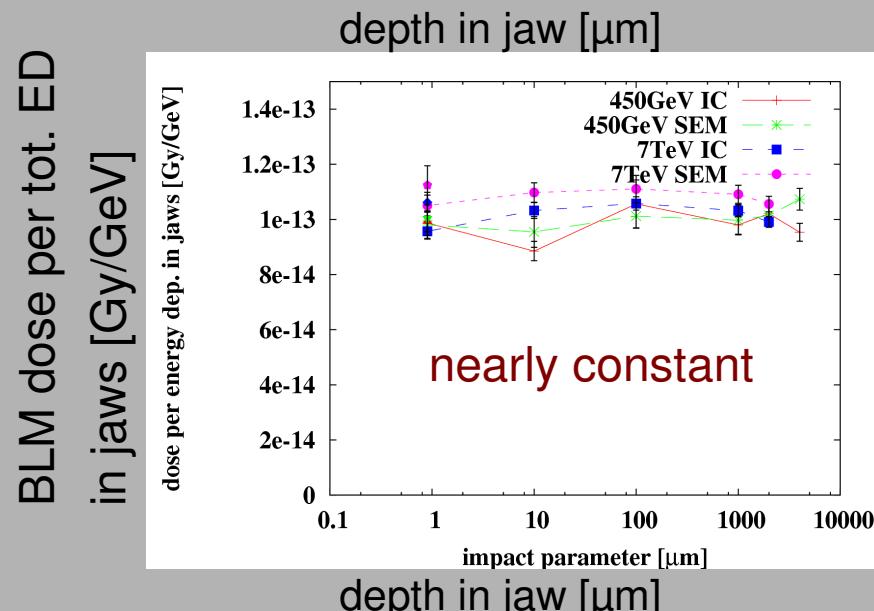
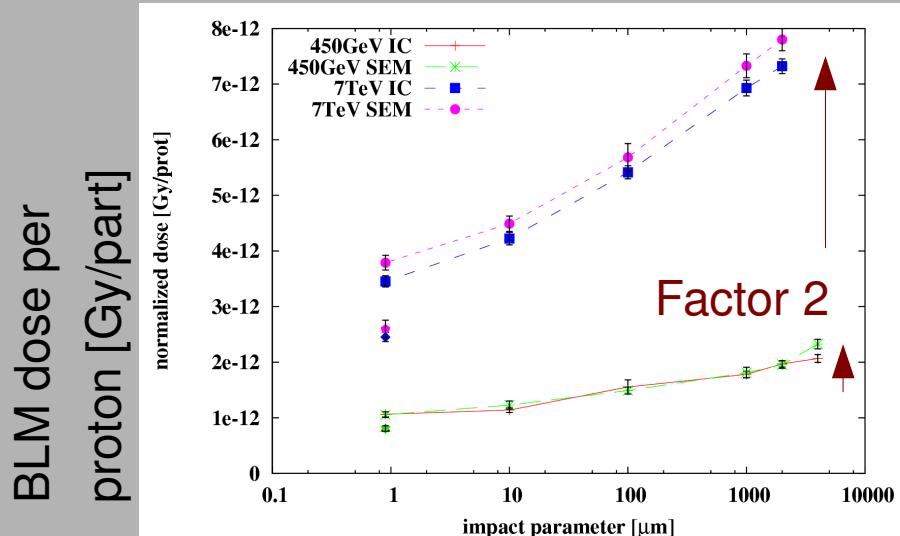


- ★ Roughness: reduced density of surface layer
- ★ Flatness: similar effect (reduced effective length) as beam-jaw angle
- ★ FLUKA MCS formalism: step size too big for impact par.  $\sim 1\mu\text{m}$ ? => change 3-9%

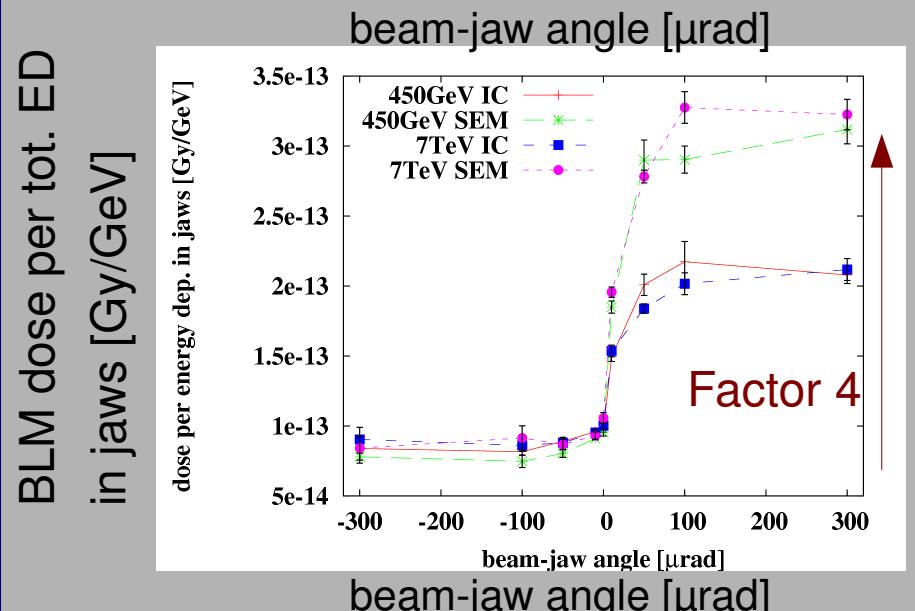
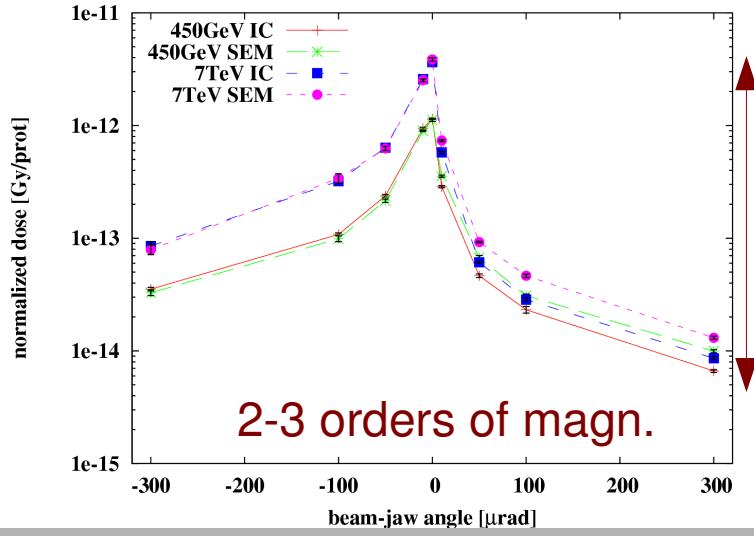


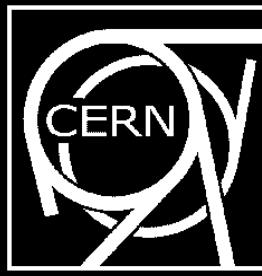
# LHC Setup: Scans

Impact Parameter Scan  
with pencil beam



Beam-Jaw Angle Scan  
with pencil beam, 2μm imp. par.!

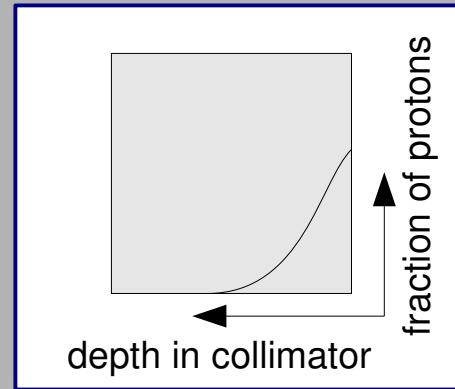




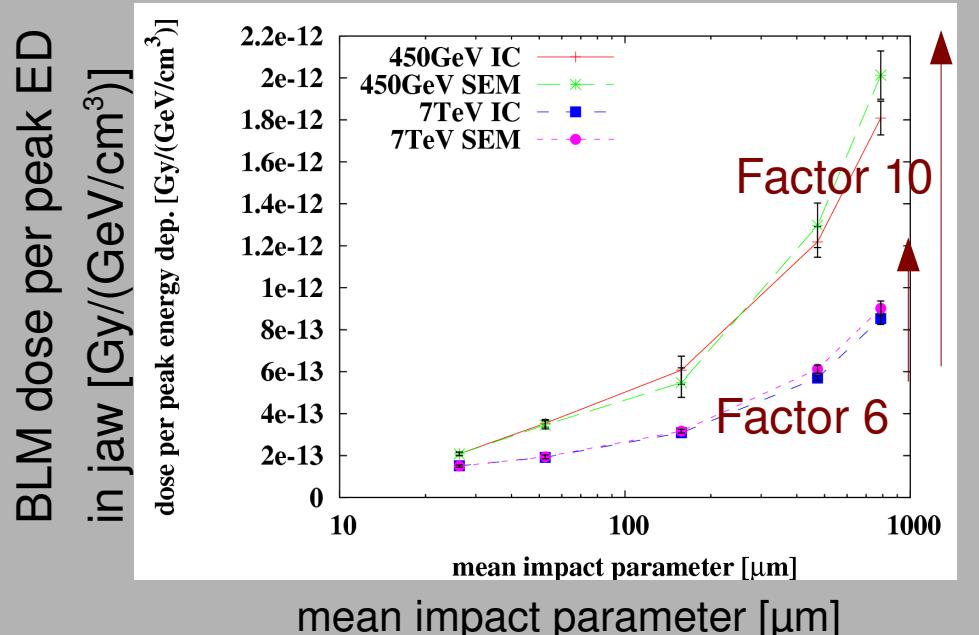
# LHC Setup: Peak ED & Cross-talks

## Peak Energy deposition

Assumes Gaussian tails as particle distributions on collimator (typical distributions for failure scenarios calculated by A. Gómez Alonso)

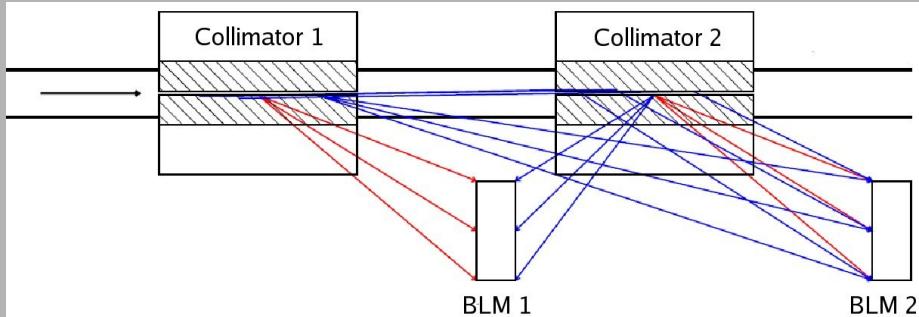


Typical mean impact par.: 25-800 $\mu\text{m}$



## Higher Order Particle Halos

Mixed particle spectra hitting downstream collimators

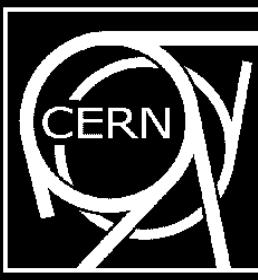


Simulations: 3 “TCP collimator-detector cells”

- ★ Beam protons impacting on Cell 1
- ★ Particles exiting through beam pipe propagated through Cell 2 and Cell 3

Results:

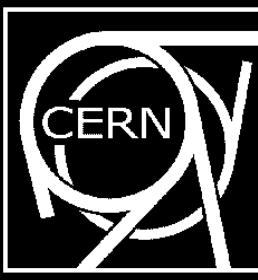
- ★ Ratio of BLM signal to total energy dep. in jaw for Cell 3 is **25%** of Cell 1!  
=> Systematic studies needed (with IR3+7 implementation by FLUKA Team)



# Summary & Conclusions

## Part 1: Comparison Meas.-Sim.: Experimental Setup in the SPS

- ★ Max. deviation Meas./Sim. for IC detectors:  $\pm 21\%$
- ★ Max. deviation Meas./Sim. for SEM detectors:  $\pm 40\%$  (Sim2),  $+73\%/-30\%$  (Sim1)
- ★ Determined discrepancy between meas.-sim. interpreted as systematic uncertainty for assessment of BLM detector thresholds by simulations.
  
- ★ Proposed additional error: IC:  $21\%$  SEM:  $40\%$



# Summary & Conclusions

## Part 2: Simulation Studies for the LHC Collimation Scenario

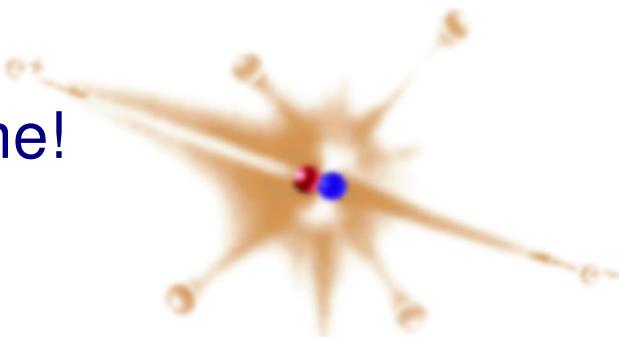
- ★ Investigating ratios of BLM signal to (total and peak) energy deposition (ED) in collimator jaws
- ★ Signal-to-total ED ratio (steady-state losses):
  - ★ about constant for different impact parameters (TCP, TCSG),
  - ★ only increasing for different beam-jaw angles,
  - ★ **but:** decreasing for mixed particle spectra from upstream=> systematic calculation needed!
  - ★ preliminary suggestion: security margin of factor 10 from lowest calculated ratios
- ★ Signal-to-peak ED ratio (transient losses):
  - ★ for typical failure cases ratio decreases by a factor of 10 for smaller mean impact par.
  - ★ set to lowest ratios (no mixed particle spectra considered!)

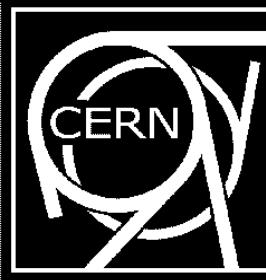


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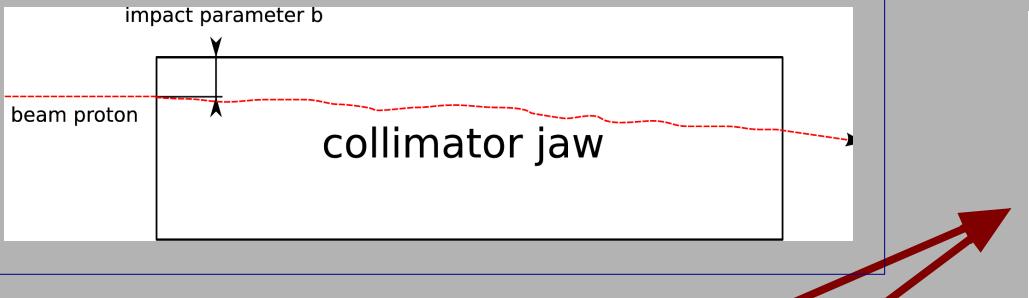




# Measurements in the SPS(Add.)

## Determination of the Impact Distributions on the Collimator

Definition of impact parameter:



- ★ Beam center position w.r.t. the collimator jaws
- ★ Beam size at the collimator
- ★ Beam impact distribution for continuous scrapings

Input for reproduction  
of measurements  
by simulations

