Magnets at the LHC and SM18



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Accelerator concept



Charged particles are accelerated, guided and confined by electromagnetic fields.

- Guiding:
- Focusing:
- Accelerating:

- Dipole magnets
- Quadrupole magnets
- **RF** cavities

Guiding with Dipole MagnetsLorentz force $\vec{F} = e(\vec{v} \times \vec{B} + \vec{E})$ Circular Motion $F = \frac{mv^2}{r}$ Magnetic rigidity $Br = \frac{mv}{e} = \frac{p}{e}$



LHC: r = 2.8 km given by LEP tunnel!

To reach p = 7 TeV/c with a bending radius of r = 2805 m:

Bending field : B = 8.33 Tesla

Two counter-rotating proton beams : beams in separate vaccum chambers with opposite B field direction.

LHC Layout

□8 arcs.

□8 long straight sections (insertions), \sim 700 m long.

The beams exchange their positions (inside/outside) in 4 points to ensure that both rings have the same circumference !



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Two-in one dipole magnet design



Coils for dipoles



Superconductivity

- Stable dipole field of 8.3 Tesla can only be obtained with superconducting magnets !
- □ The material determines:

Tc critical temperature

Bc critical field

The cable production determines:

Jc critical current density

- □ Lower temperature ⇒ increased current density ⇒ higher fields.
- Typical for NbTi @ 4.2 K 2000 A/mm2 @ 6T
- To reach 8-10 T, the temperature must be lowered to 1.9 K – superfluid Helium !





Focusing with Quadrupoles









Transverse focusing is achieved with **quadrupole magnets**, which act on the beam like an optical lens.

Linear increase of the magnetic field along the axes (no effect on particles on axis).

Focusing in one plane, de-focusing in the other!

Alternating gradient lattice



Dipoles keep particles on track

Alternating Quadrupoles create net focussing in both planes.



Chromatic Correction with Sextupoles



Particles with different energies react differently in quadrupole magnets \rightarrow «Chromatic Aberration »

Can be solved by Sextupoles magnets



Acceleration with RF cavities

Acceleration with electric field in Radio-Frequency cavities.

In circular accelerators, the acceleration is done with small steps at each turn.

LHC : acceleration from **450GeV** to **7 TeV** lasts ~20 minutes, with an average energy gain of ~0.5 Mev on each turn.



Combining the beams for collisions



Example for an LHC insertion with ATLAS or CMS

- □ The 2 LHC beams must be brought together to collide.
- Over ~260 m, the beams circulate in the same vacuum chamber.

Principle of injector cycling

The beams are handed from one accel. to the next or used for its own customers !



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Destructive power of an uncontrolled quench

LHC dipole of 15m and 8.35T stores 8 MJ, which corresponds to melting 1.5L of copper, enough to evaporate 10cm of coil !

And we have seen in Sep 2008 what a few magnet quenches can do!

ATLAS detector toroid stores 1.6 GJ, good for 600L of melted copper, or equivalent to the collision energy of 100 trucks of 40 tons with speed of 100 km/h!

To be safe with equipment and personnel, Quench Protection has to cover all possible quenches in the entire electrical circuit from + to – terminal on the cryostat (current leads & bus connections & coil)



Damage at an LHC interconnect

