

Studies for possible Crystal Layout at the LHC

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Introduction

From 2009 UA9 is taking data in the SPS demonstrating that collimation of proton and lead ion beams can be reliably obtained.

In September 2011, a letter of intents was presented to the LHCC, asking to extend UA9 to the LHC: ✓ new experiment (LUA9) recommended by the LHCC and accepted by the accelerator directorate

Goals:

- demonstrate the extraction of the beam halo in the LHC
- measure the possible improvements with respect to standard collimation

Aim of the studies presented:

Set up appropriate simulation tools (reproduce the past results)

Propose and validate the position for the installation during the LS1

Comparative assessment of different layouts by detailed tracking simulations, in relation with the plans for the first tests wanted to be done

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Possible scenarios

Considered possible installation only in the IP7, B1.



- ➢ 450 GeV & 7 TeV
- ➤ Full collimation chain in place with crystal as primary
- Crystal as primary and only one TCSG

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Tools

Study based on Semi-analytical Models and full SixTrack simulations

Calculated the trajectory of the channeled beam for any available position of the crystals :

$$x_s = \sqrt{\frac{\beta_s}{\beta_{Cr}}} \cos\left(\Delta\phi\right) x_{Cr} + \Theta \sqrt{\beta_s \beta_{Cr}} \sin\left(\Delta\phi\right)$$

Calculate the displacement at every secondary given by a kick of 40µrad at the Crystal and its aperture has been set

First selection of the layouts that give better impact parameters on the secondary collimator at any energy

Then:

Full SixTrack simulations with complete layout and geometry implemented for the choose subset

Simulations based on the SixTrack version modified by Valentina Previtali with the insertion of the crystal routine.

Design concept



possible reduction of b (imp. par.)

only linear movement needed during the ramp

✓ ~90° $\Delta\Phi$ w.r.t. secondary collimator

Other "constraints" taken into account:

- Crystals close to the "primary's area" (full chain of secondary collimators available downstream)
- > Absorption of channeled beam sufficiently upstream from cold magnets
- space availability along the channeled beam path for its detection and measurements, with a possible dedicated detector (feasibility studies are ongoing).





Candidate locations in IR7

Reported the two "more significant" cases (horizontal):

✓ right after the present primaries at TCP.A6L7.B1 location



kicked particle traj. from 0µrad to 80µrad, 5µrad steps

between the TCSG.D4L7.B1 & TCSG.B4L7.B1 15 × [mm] [mm] 40 450 GeV 7 TeV 10 30 20 R7.81" @ 10.0 10 ⊟ (2) 0 -10 🗆 -20 -30 -10 -40 -15 19900 19950 20000 20050 20100 20150 20200 20250 19900 19950 20000 20050 20100 20150 20200 20250 s [m] s [m]

x projection of the Available TCSG & TCLA

Main difference: (1) may needed to change TCSG btw inj. and top energy, (2) no change & early abs.

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Simulations

After a first selection choose the following position:

2 for the Horizontal plane → @ TPC.A6L7 @ between TCSG.D4L7 & TCSG.B4L7

2 for the Vertical plane → @ right after TPC.A6L7 @ between TCSG.A6L7 & TCSG.B5L7

Reported result only for the horizontal cases, still some debug needed in case of the vertical

For every position made comparative studies between:

- Standard collimation system
- For crystal in channeling and amorphous conditions:
 - using only one secondary collimator to absorb the channeled beam
 - using the full chain of secondary collimator downstream the crystal in place
- Injection and Top Energy (450GeV and 7TeV respectively)



Preliminary validation with SPS data

Reproduced the spot of the extracted beam on the Medipix (pixel detector in the UA9 layout)



Very good agreement with the simulation!

Tested many initial distributions impacting on the crystal, changing the crystal portion used:

spot at Medipix unchanged and always compatible with the width given by the angular spread of the channeled particles (θ_c)

Estimation of the beam spot on the absorber possible using only optic calculations

Depending on the position of the primary and the secondary used, full spot width from \sim 300µm up to \sim 1.5mm \rightarrow <u>Crucial estimation for the absorber robustness</u>

LHC Simulations

Comparison between full simulations of different collimation processes @ 7TeV

Case of Crystal @ TCP.A6L7.B1



- \checkmark ~1.3 10⁶ particles tracked
- Number of turns dependent on the system (from 300 for std. coll., up to 5000 for cry. in am.)

LHC Simulations

Comparison between full simulations of different collimation processes @ 7TeV

Case of Crystal between the TCSG.D4L7.B1 & TCSG.B4L7.B1 changing the TCSG used to abs. the extracted halo

Crystal in channeling orientation:



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19800

19900

20000

20200

20300

20400

20500 s [m]

Having the previous plots in mind, in this case:

- ✓ same level of losses at the disp. supp. using only 1 TCSG, w.r.t. "standard collimation"
- achieved also here a factor 10 better in the losses at the disp. supp. using the full TCSG chain closed!

LHC Simulations

Comparison between full simulations of different collimation processes @ 450GeV

Almost same beam losses using different TCSG configurations: reported only the cases with full chain in place, slightly better for the losses all around the LHC (and not only IP7)

Full collimations system in place:



Considerations about cleaning inefficiency :

- worse in case of crystal @ A6L7 w.r.t. standard collimation
- similar in case of crystal btw D4L7 and B4L7 (maybe needed more statistics)
- much harder to set the right impact parameter w.r.t. the 7TeV case, maybe possible some improvements \checkmark

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Conclusions

Shown "the main" theoretical background needed to run simulations for crystal collimation, then checked with the experimental data, and applied to extrapolate key parameters (i.e. b, and beam spot on the absorber)

Reported only results for the horizontal plane, soon results also for the vertical case.

Reasonable scenarios for the first tests after the LS1:

If crystal installed at TCP.A6L7.B1:

- even with perfect crystal channeling, hard to see any improvements at 450GeV for p beams
- instead very good performance at 7TeV:
 - get a factor 10 better in cleaning inefficiency with the crystal and only one secondary in place

huge gain also in impedance, but possible improvements visible only at 7TeV

If crystal installed between TCSG.D4L7 and TCSG.B4L7:

- possible to see improvements also at 450GeV with full TCSG chain closed
- possible to test the system performance and improvements also during the energy ramp (already demonstrated that crystals well follow the beam envelop remaining in "extraction mode")
- to get a factor 10 better in cleaning inefficiency @ 7TeV needed to keep the TCSG chain downstream the crystal closed

impedance unchanged, possible improvements visible at any energy and more safe procedure