

Commissioning of the LHCb RICH Detector



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Outline

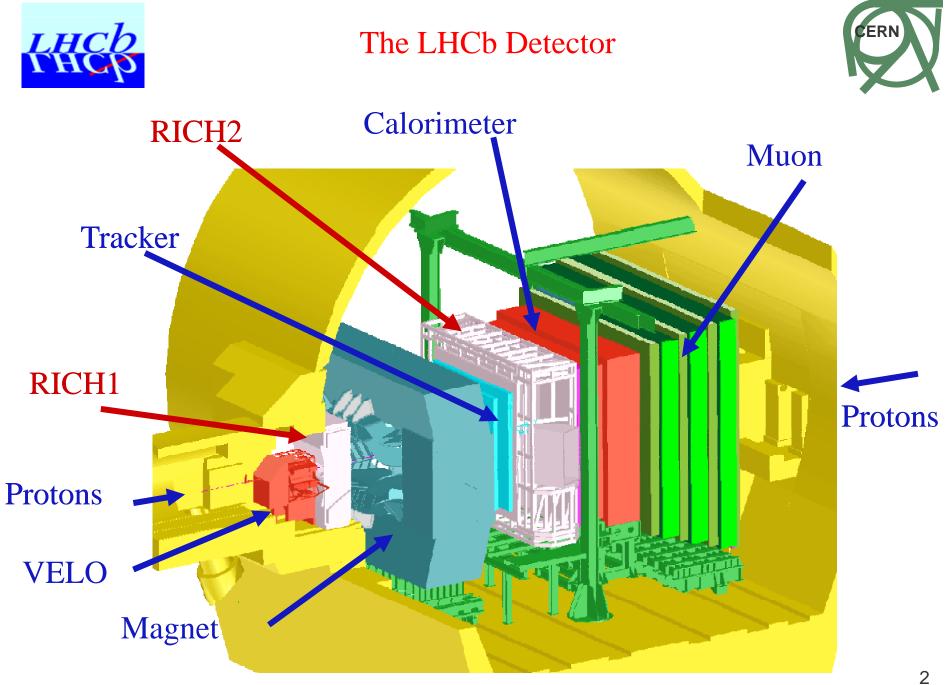
LHCb and its RICHes

What is Commissioning and Commissioning Strategy

RICH Commissioning, a (hi)Story

First Results

Conclusions and Outlook





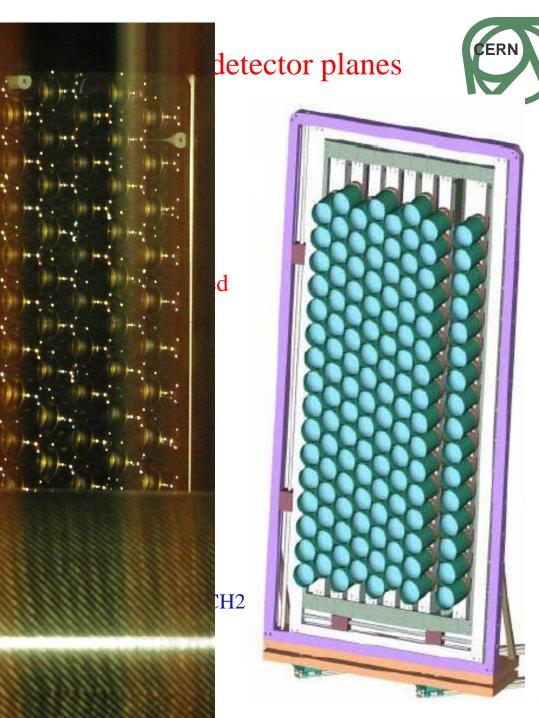
RICH1 detector challenge (see Neville, Tito and Fabio)

The two

RICH2 detector challenge in the lab. and transported (see Neville)

Most of the commissionir Optoelectronic, Control a Calibration Systems

HPDs array as RICH1 two at









- •Regular Meetings (everyday coffees and weekly phone-conferences)
- •Hard and soft interlocks enabled from the beginning
- •Monitoring systems
 - •Vessel, HPD boxes, electronics and electrics temperature, pressure and humidity sensors
 - •Voltages and currents
- •Distributed and smart alerts, alarms, feedbacks and reactions
- •No development at the pit (at least we tried as much as we could...)

(see Mario)



RICH Commissioning



A closer look and a (hi)story of RICH2 commissioning, (looking forward to do the same for RICH1 soon!!)

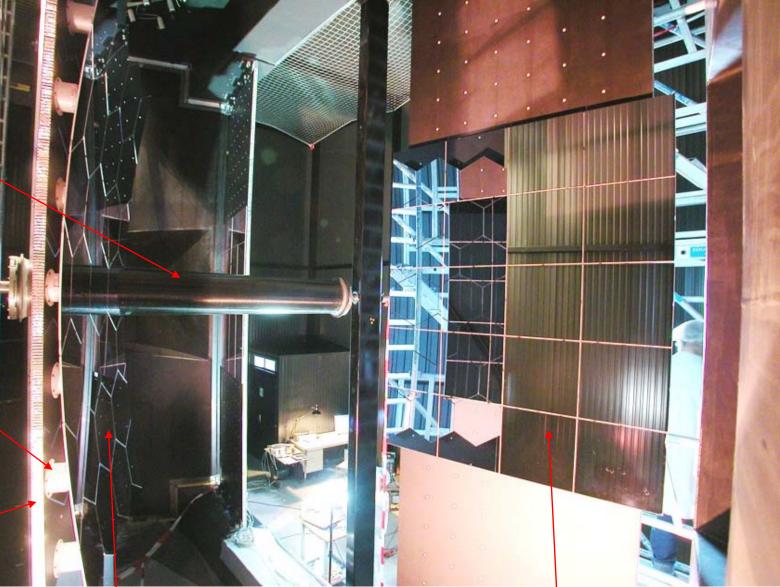


Central carbon fibre tube to allow for the beam pipe

Mirror support and fine adjustment Panels honeycomb structure

RICH2 optics are mounted and aligned





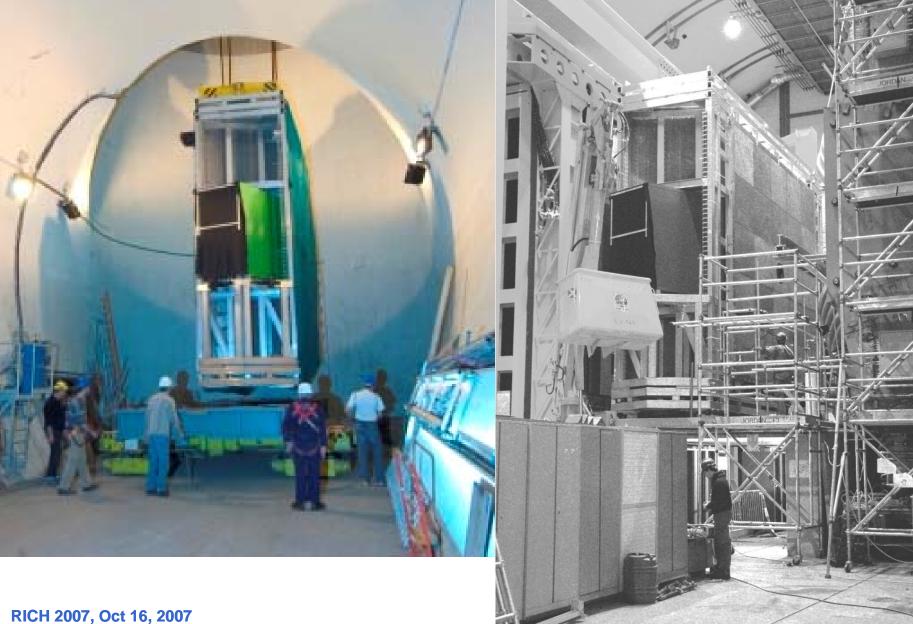
RICH 2007, Oct 16, 2007 Spherical mirrors array

Flat mirrors array



RICH2 is closed and transported to the pit







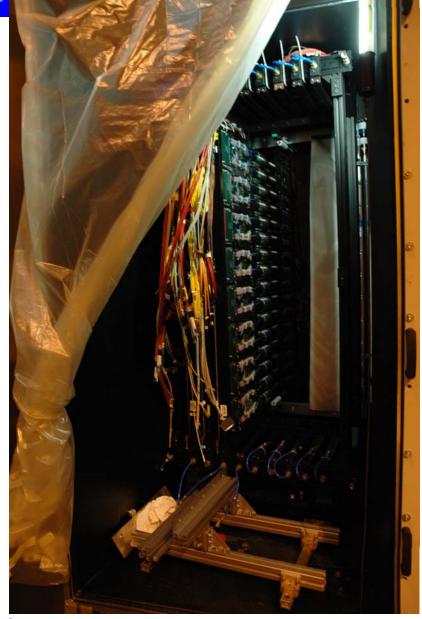
RICH2 columns assembly

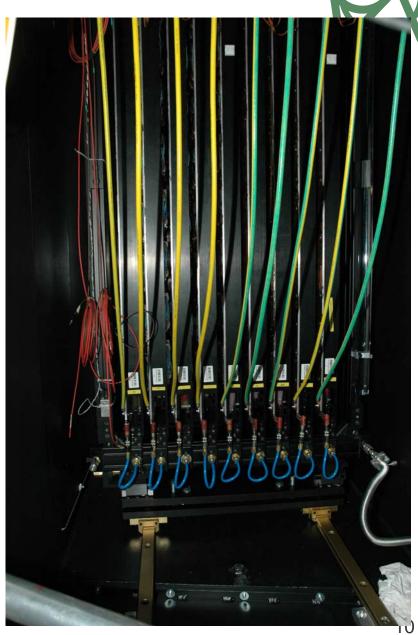




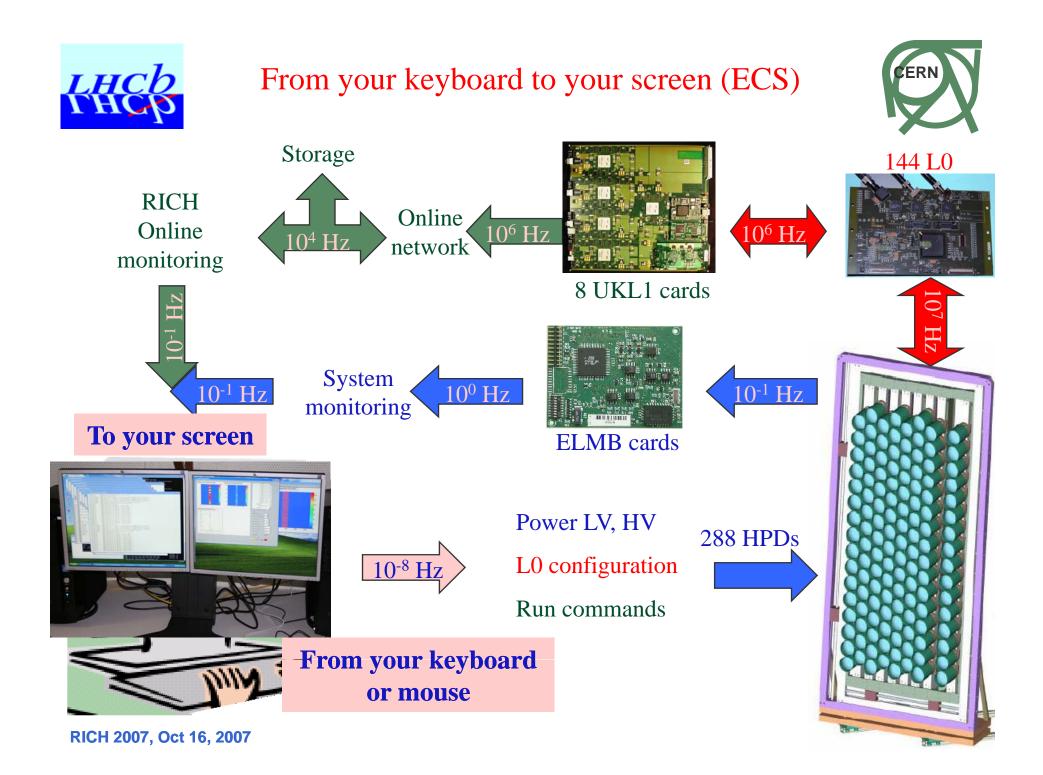


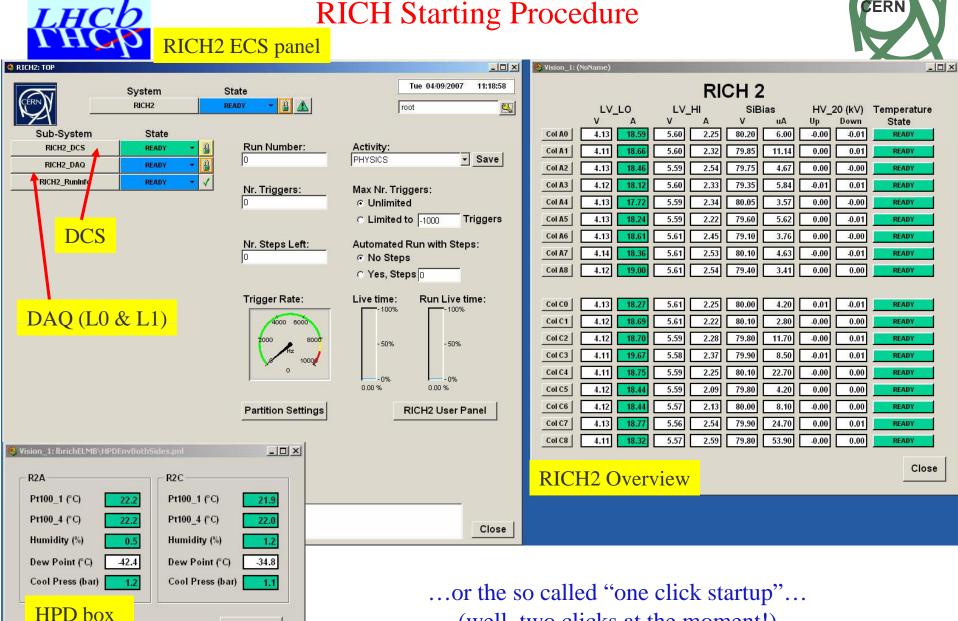
Columns are installed





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(well, two clicks at the moment!)

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conditions

Close

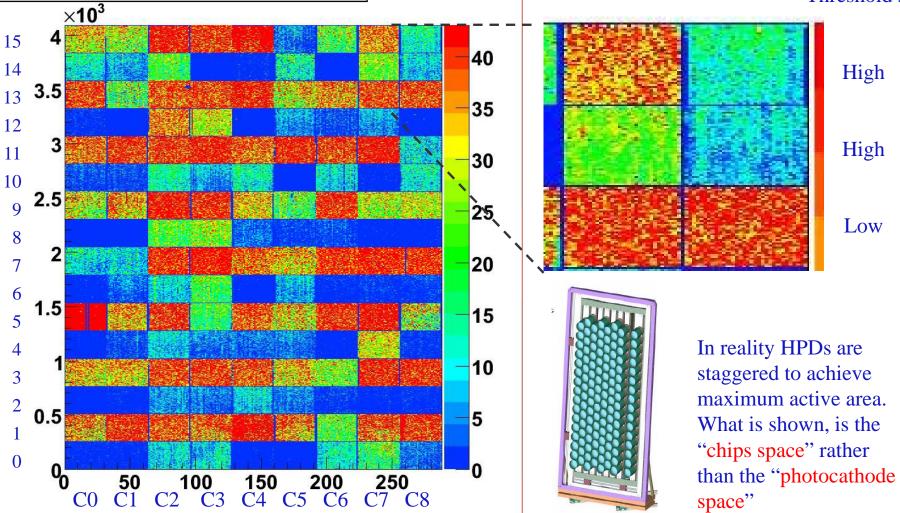
First electrical images from RICH

With Si bias off HPD on-chip detectors provide a nice source of signal to check the data flow



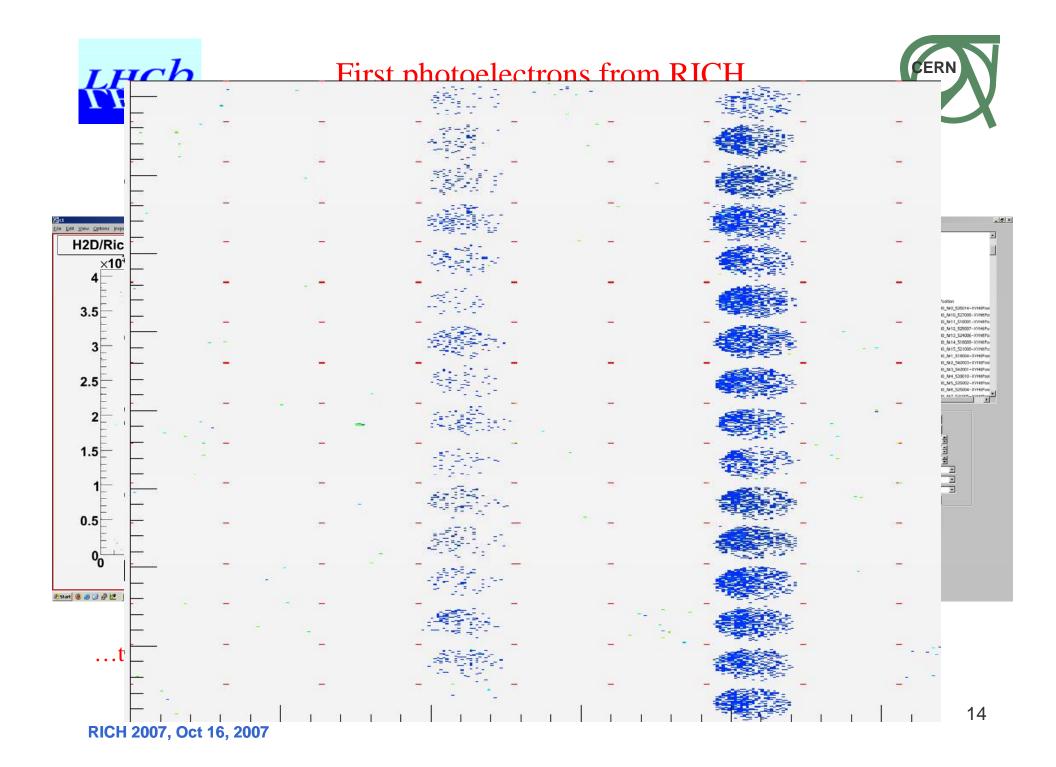
H2D/RichMonitor/HitMaps/R21PixeIRC_Alice

LHC



Here 144 x 8192 pixels (~1.2 millions channels, clocked at 40 Mhz) are coloring our life! 13 RICH 2007, Oct 16, 2007

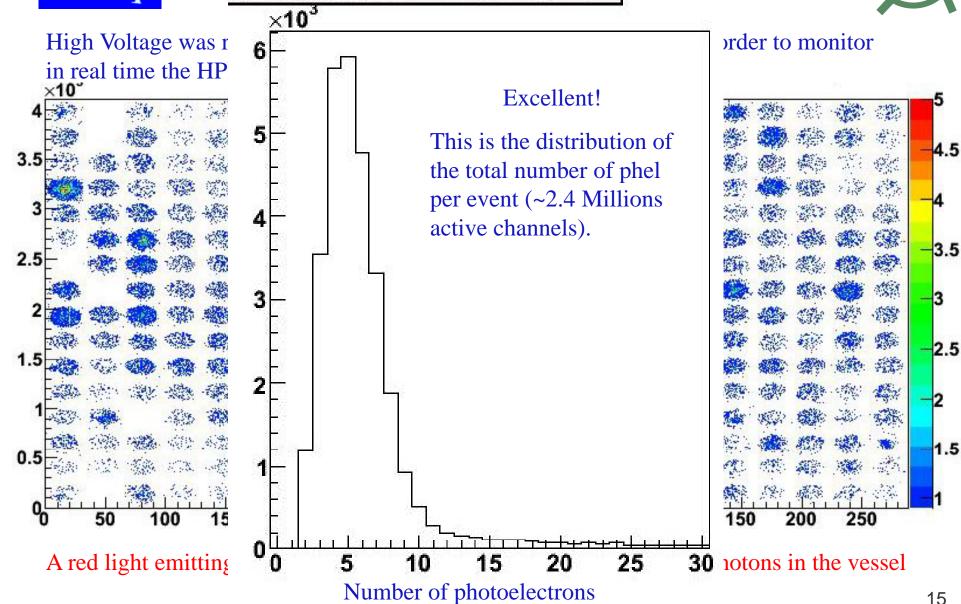
Threshold set





FIAT LUX (first photons detected) D/RichMonitor/ComMon/ALL-Inclusive







RICH2 is routinely running



•To test and to improve its calibrations, stability, reliability, robustness;

•To exercise HPDs and keep them powered and under high voltage;

•Gain experience (also in critical situations) and confidence;

•And possibly to acquire useful data to prepare the future (see Antonis and Claus).

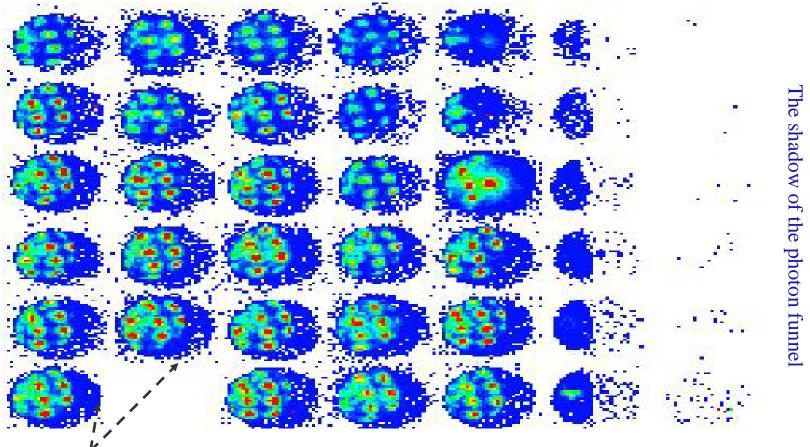
Example: when the magnet is on, HPD images are distorted system to monitor and correct for the distortion



First optical images from RICH2



We shine a defined pattern on the photodetector without and with magnetic field.



The shadows from the mumetal shields

A DLP projector together with an optical system to ensure low light levels and safe operation was used



Conclusions



LHCb RICH detectors are well under way for a successful commissioning:

RICH2 is deep in its commissioning phase and it is ready for global commissioning;

RICH1 is at its last stages of installation and integration and will jump speedily in the commissioning, as the whole opto-electronic, control and readout system is identical to RICH2.

We are **NOT** looking forward,

we are **DYING** to see the light from the LHC particle beams!



Acknowledgements



It is difficult to convey an idea of the enormous amount of work, new technologies, R&D, tests, sweat and years, which embeds a 20 min presentation ...and the amount to come...

I wish I managed a bit!

Whatever the case, I would like to respectfully thank all the people who worked, are working and will work on our project and on whom behalf I am here today.