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# News from the Beatenberg Trigger Workshop

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# Trigger Workshop

There was lots of input from the Higgs group;  
summarized in: <http://indico.cern.ch/materialDisplay.py?contribId=0&materialId=slides&confId=50993>

This was very well received and appreciated

**THANK YOU!**

“From First Collisions To Physics”



# Introduction

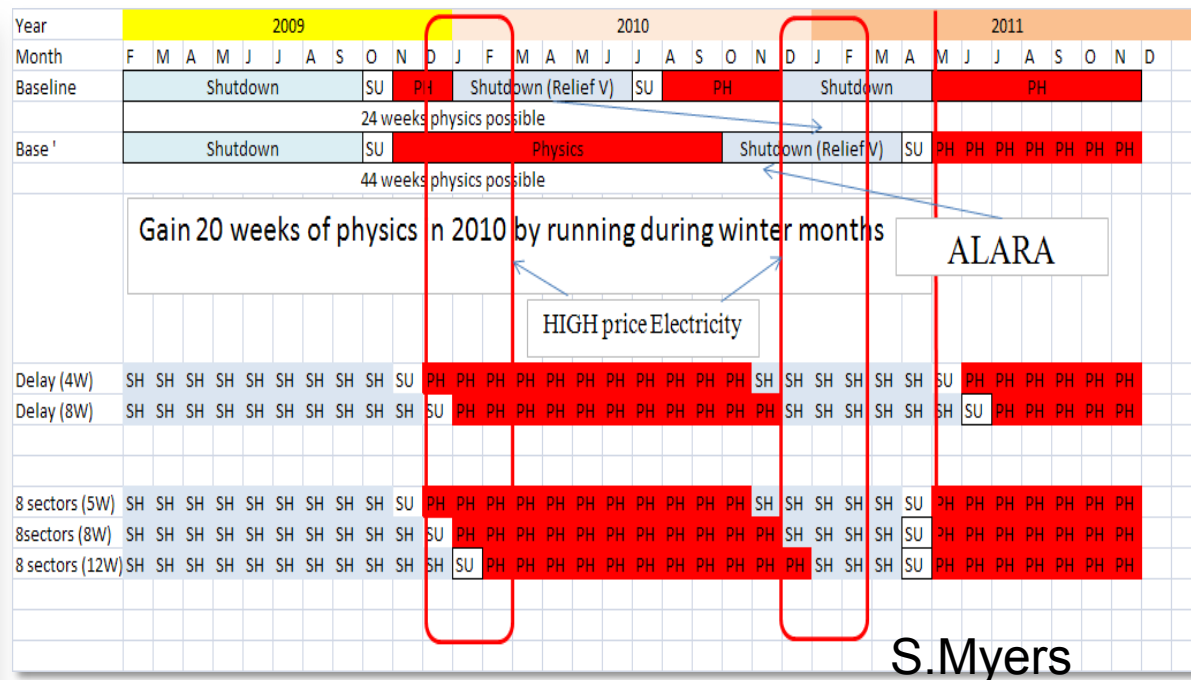
- This talk: won't repeat the workshop summary – see G. Brooijmans talk yesterday: <http://indico.cern.ch/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=47254#2009-02-17>
  - Instead will try to look ahead to the Higgs trigger issues for the next year
  - Won't go into details: too much would be specific information
- The assumed scenario was a 1-2 months run followed by a long shutdown: this conditioned the discussions to some extent
- Current scenario includes this period but significantly expands it – see S. Meyers' talk on Monday:  
<http://indico.cern.ch/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=47254#2009-02-16>
- Higgs WG contributions to the workshop are important for guiding analysis plans for the coming year! Especially given the new running plans for 2009

# LHC plans

- Plans for 2009 mean that this will (finally!) be a physics run
- But before we get there, need to commission detector and trigger until we are taking physics-quality data
- Expect competition between running with stable detector and trigger needed for physics and frequent changes for testing/calibrating/fixing problems in detector and trigger

## Plans:

- Start operation in Sep/Oct, and run at 5TeV/beam during winter to get  $>200\text{pb}^{-1}$
1. First 100 days to get  $\sim 100\text{pb}^{-1}$
  2. Start at  $L=5 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
  3. Go to  $L=2 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
  4. Gather another  $\sim 200\text{pb}^{-1}$
  5. Run heavy ions

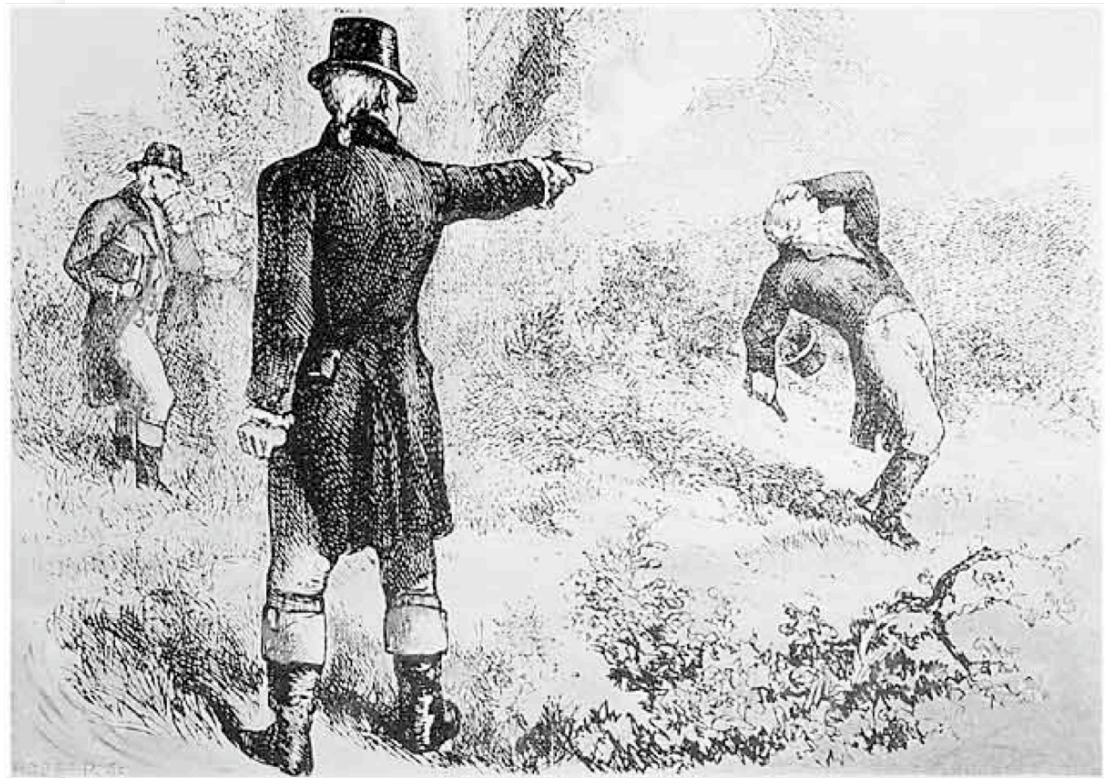


# Trigger commissioning plans - I

- **Phase 1** – phase already exercised in 2008:
  - HLT not doing any selection but streaming according to L1 trigger type
  - Output rate is adjusted by changing L1 pre-scales
- **Phase 2:**
  - HLT in pass-through mode streaming according to L1 trigger type
  - Output rate is adjusted by changing L1 and HLT pre-scales (streams)
- **Phase 3** – exercised for triggering cosmic rays in 2008:
  - Only when the need arises (i.e. output rate to Tier0 too high):
    - The HLT in active mode in a controlled and simple way first
  - Output rate is adjusted by changing L1 and HLT pre-scales
- Essential to use initial phases to:
  - **Debug the trigger** - verify every part of the DAQ chain; study HLT selection performance and bias
  - Gather (as much as possible) **unbiased data** for evaluating trigger/reconstruction bias
  - Provide **data for detector calibration**
  - Last, but definitely not least: react **to unexpected problems**

# Trigger commissioning plans - II

- As we move from commissioning to physics running, **stability** will become essential!
  - No frequent code changes or new triggers
  - Manage updates: add several changes at once instead of as they come
- Not optimal for data collection but optimal for analysis



- Will evolve from commissioning mode (frequent changes to react to problems/satisfy detector requests) to (managed) physics running mode
- Menu changes decided in menu coordination according to physics strategy
- See talks by Dave Charlton and Chris Bee during workshop

# Some trigger menu issues

- Online menu will start as a minimal menu with simple signatures and will gradually evolve to the  $L=10^{31}$  menu we know
- Online and offline menus decoupled, at least until we get to “physics mode”
- Ongoing work on rationalizing and simplifying menu: not all triggers optimized; not all follow naming convention...
- Menu for MC production will need to reflect what was run online: issues such as prescales and menu vs pileup will be important
- Current plan from jet trigger slice is to run HLT in passthrough mode while possible
- Likely that there will be an unprescaled xe40 missing ET trigger (40GeV) for a limited time
- Categories of triggers (helps to read a huge menu...see next slide)

# Definition of Trigger Types



We can define the following triggers categories:

- **Primary Trigger:** a trigger used to acquire the data sample for a performance or physics study.
- **Supporting Trigger:** a trigger used to measure some property of a primary trigger, including:
  - *efficiency triggers:* to measure trigger efficiency
  - *monitoring triggers:* to monitor HLT decisions
  - *tracking study triggers:* to study tracking (SiTrk vs. IdScan vs. TRTxK)
  - *isolation study triggers:* to study isolation for use at higher luminosity
  - *multi-object triggers:* these will be needed at higher luminosity
- **Backup Trigger:** a trigger that may be used if the rate is higher or lower than we expect - they will *replace* a primary trigger.
- **Calibration Trigger:** a trigger that is used explicitly to collect data for detector calibrations.

Should physics background triggers go in “Primary” or “Supporting”?





# Luminosity and trigger issues

- Prescales and data quality flags can change between luminosity blocks
- Need tools to easily:
  - Select “good runs” (actually good lumi blocks) list based on quality flags and trigger needed
  - Calculate integrated luminosity in data analyzed
  - See Marjorie Shapiro’s talk today and Joerg Stelzer’s in plenary yesterday

**ATLAS Run Queries**

Run Search – Insert Your Query:

Run	Links	#LB	#Events	PIXB	PIX0	PIXEA	PIXEC	SCTB	SCTEA	SCTEC	EMBA	EMBC	EMECA	EMECC	TILBA	Lumi (pb <sup>-1</sup> )
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90275	RS, AMI, Trigger, ELOG	47	n.a.	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	Y	G	G	G	1892
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# Where do we stand?...



- Trigger studies were done (with recent software) for several channels:
  - $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ,  $H \rightarrow 4l$ ,  $H \rightarrow WW$ ,  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ,  $H^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$ ,  $tbH^+(H^+ \rightarrow tb)$ ,  $ZH$  (invisible),  $ttH$ ,  $WH(W \rightarrow lv)$ ..
  - Studies concentrated on the (realistic) proposed objectives:

- Determine the trigger efficiency for **signal** samples **with respect to the offline selection** (or reasonable preselection)?
- What (if any) bias do you find in which distributions/measurements? (e.g. shift in estimated  $m_H$  with /without trigger)

# What are we missing?

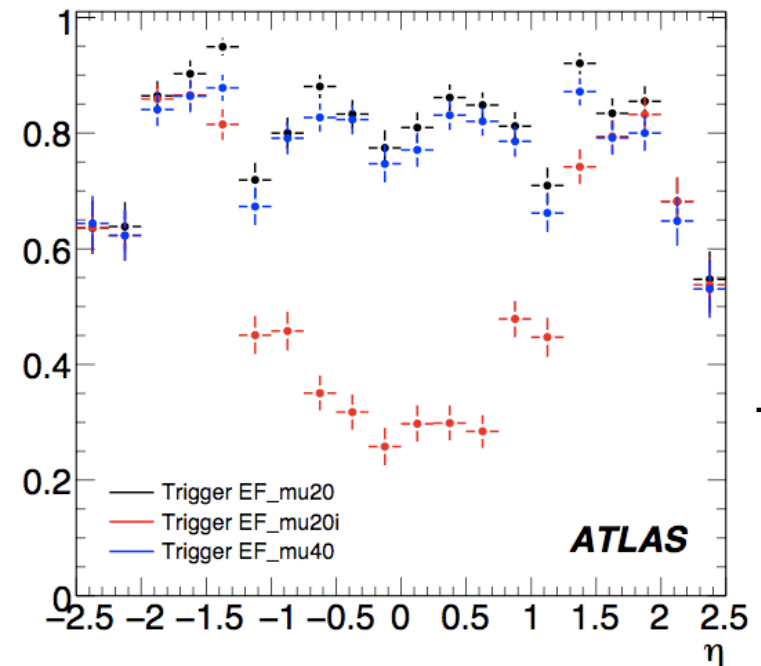
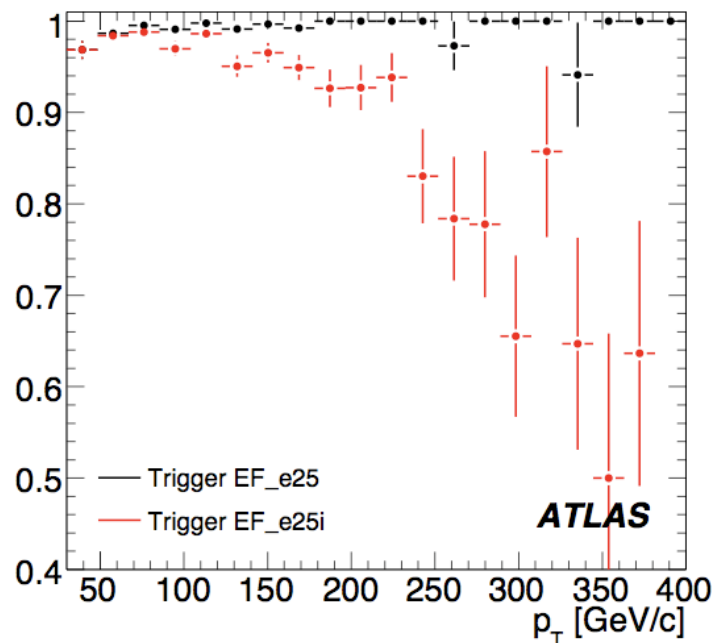
- At first glance, we miss studies on background
  - E.g.: what are the trigger effects if  $m_H$  is extracted from fit to data+background?
- “Data-driven” studies:
  - How are we going to get/verify trigger efficiency and bias?
    - Work together with trigger slices as much as possible (a few good examples!)
  - How are we going to verify the performance of reconstruction algorithms? What triggers do we need for this? Are we missing something?
  - How are we going to normalize our data samples (and compare with Monte Carlo)? Can we calculate the luminosity if we’re using a combination of triggers?
    - Again, see Marjorie Shapiro’s talk



# What (else) are we missing?

Also, we lack information on some channels

- VBF Invisible Higgs: MET and forward jets?
- ttH: all-hadronic channel trigger?
- WH/ZH:
  - WH→lν bb and ZH→l+l- bb: lepton triggers (preliminary study)
  - ZH→nunu bb: large MET>100 GeV (preliminary plan)



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# Summary

- Big THANK YOU to Higgs group for a job well done
- Next steps for Higgs group:
  - Continue to build on work done and plan ahead for use of trigger in physics analysis of 2009 run
  - How are analyses going to use real data from 2009?
  - Fill the “holes” – some channels don’t have good estimates of trigger performance
- Workshop was very exciting, busy and productive: planning for first month of new run is  $\pm$ clear; need to plan beyond that
- More info:
  - Workshop agenda: <http://indico.cern.ch/conferenceOtherViews.py?view=standard&confId=44626>
  - Workshop conclusions will be written up