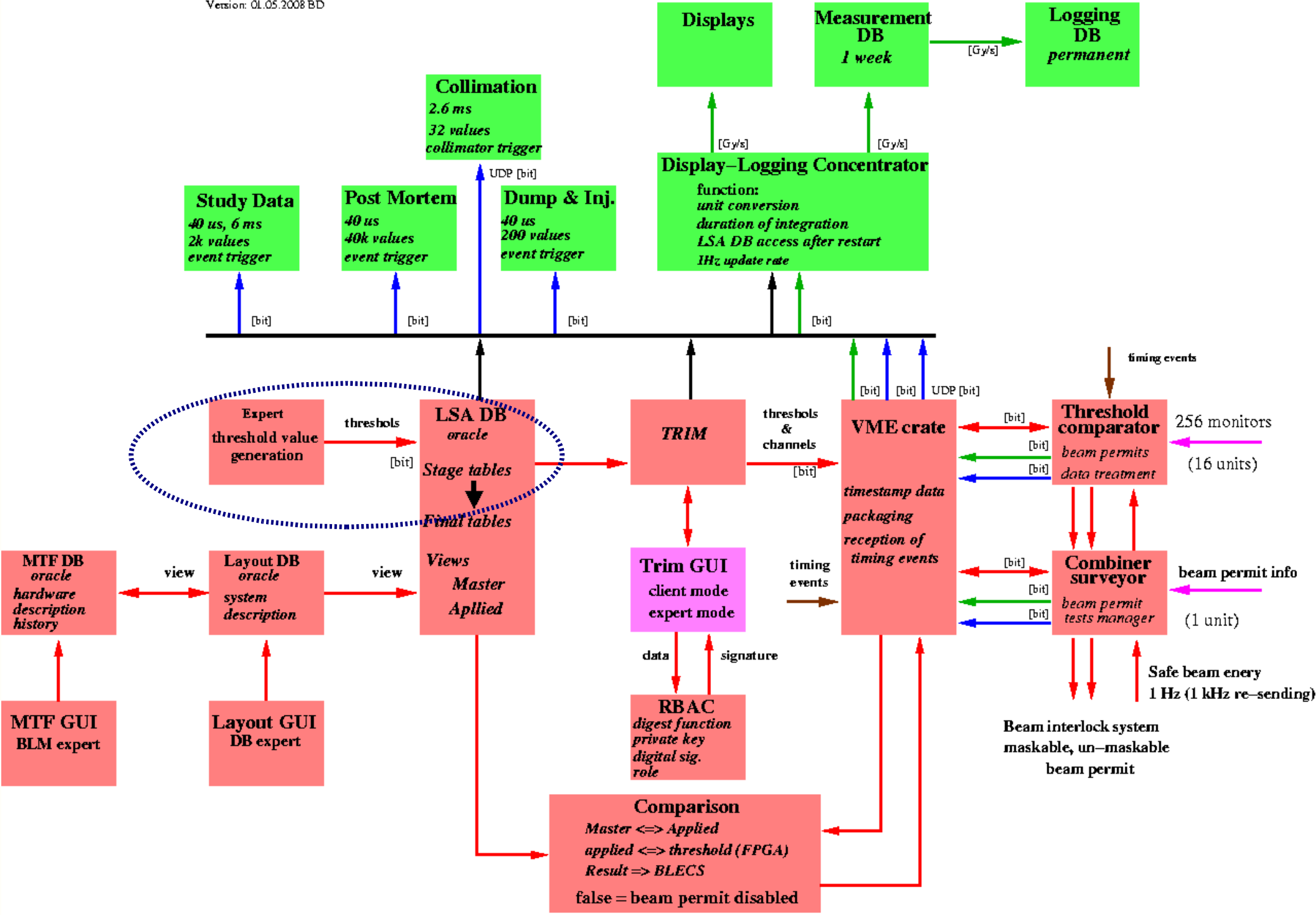


**Procedure of production,  
verification  
and transfer of  
threshold values to LSA**

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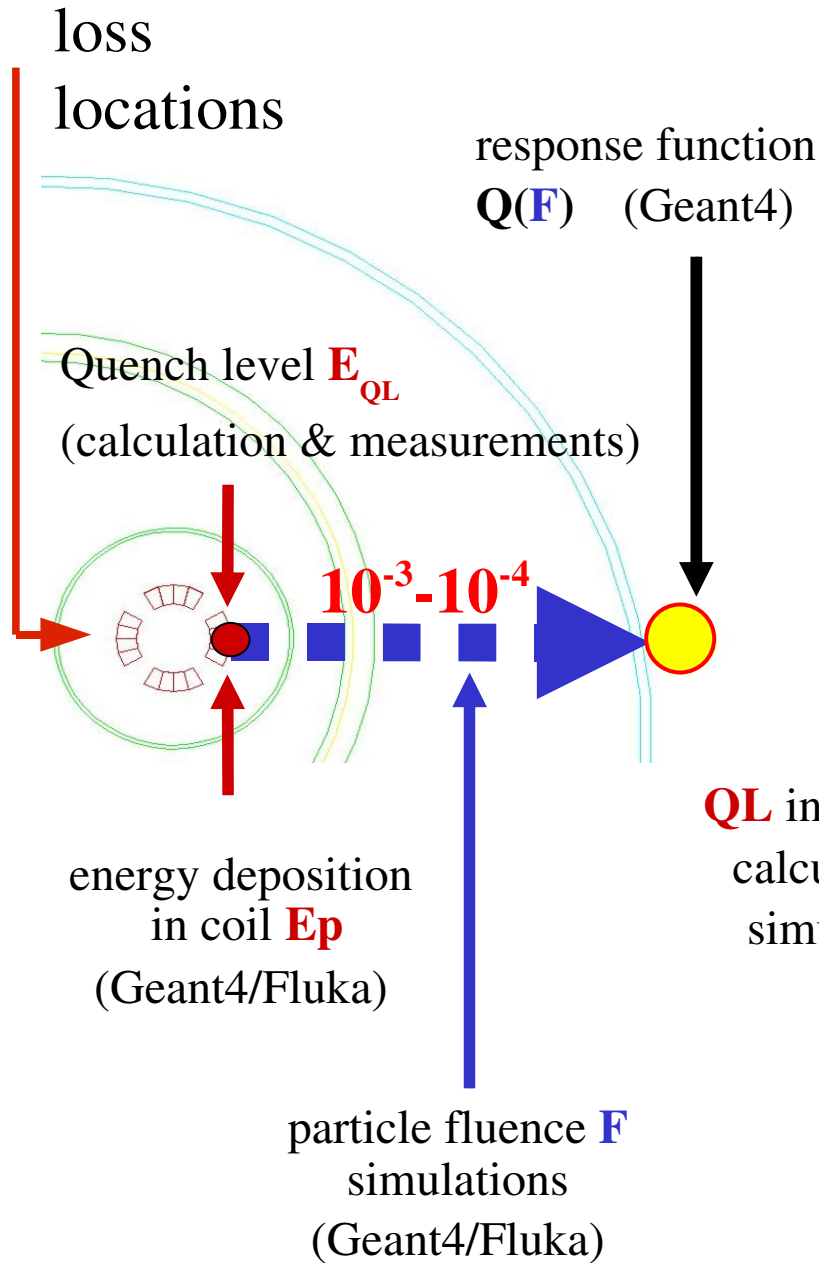
- Safety relevant
- 1 second data: loss, thresholds, configuration, status
- Safety relevant: thresholds, channels
- configuration data: integration times, conversion factors
- Availability relevant, scaling applied table
- triggered data: post mortem, XPOC, Study data, Collimation

## Outline

- Strategy to generate initial thresholds
- Setting the families
- Scripts to fill LSA
- LSA structure
- Scripts to verify the values

The functional specification of the databases and software to operate on them is available on <http://cern.ch/blm> webpage (edms document soon)

# Strategy to generate thresholds

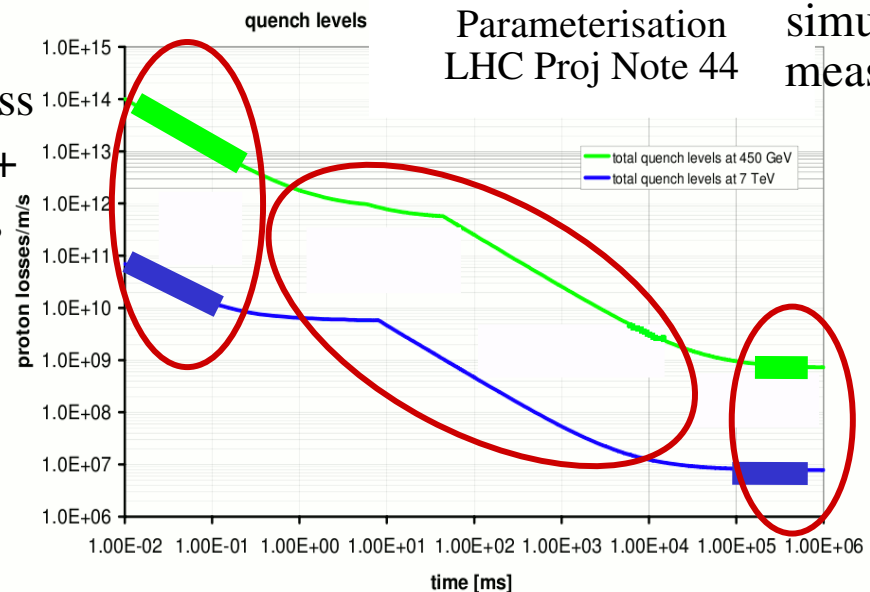


$$N \text{ protons quench} = E_{QL} / E_p$$

$$\text{Threshold} = Q(F) \cdot N \text{ protons quench} \cdot \text{factor}$$

(7 TeV, 40  $\mu$ s)

QL instant loss calculation + simulations

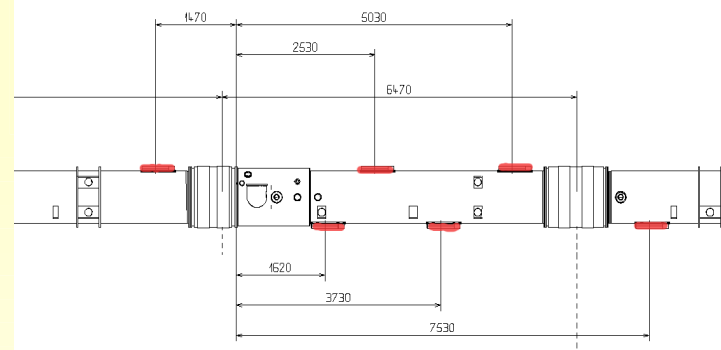
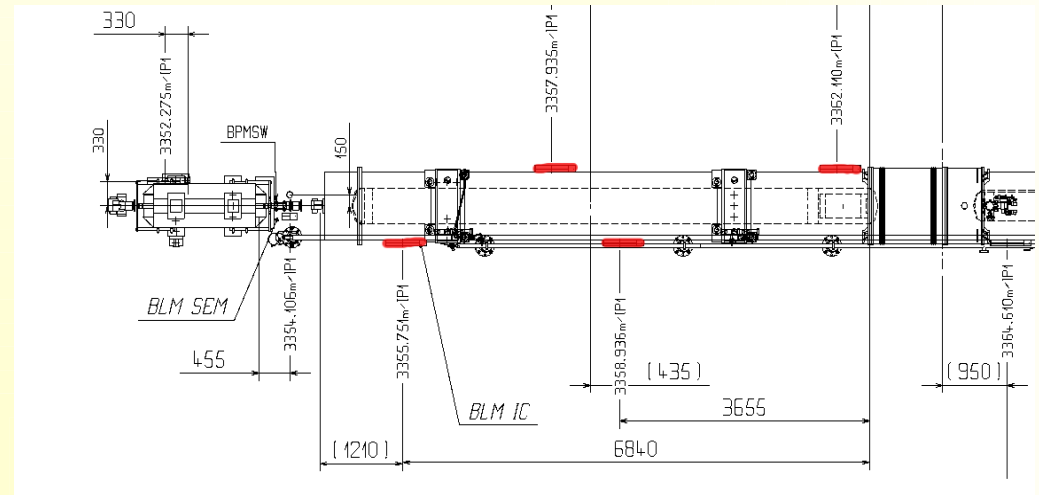


## Example values

- MQXA Fluka simulation:  **$1.6 \cdot 10^{-5}$  Gy**
- LHC lattice MQ Geant4 simulation:  **$7.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$  Gy**  
( preliminary, loss in BPM, Agnieszka's presentation)
- TCP collimator steady state damage level: **98 Gy/s**  
(7 TeV, 90 kW, preliminary, Till's presentation)
- Tevatron settings: 3.5 rad/sec, for integration time  
2 ms (fast losses):  **$7 \cdot 10^{-5}$  Gy**  
(Dean Still presentation at Collimation WG, 2005/04/14)

# Families

3	enthalpy of different coils		
5			dry
6	Magnet	Temp	mJ/cm <sup>3</sup>
7			
8	MB Type-1	1.9K	0,93
9	MB Type-2	1.9K	0,90
10	MQ Type-3	1.9K	1,41
11	MQM Type-7	1.9K	1,06
12	MQM Type-7	4.5K	1,63
13	MQY Type-5	4.5K	2,46
14	MQY Type-6	4.5K	4,95
15			
16	MCB corr-1	1.9K	4,77
17	MCBC corr-2	1.9K	4,20
18	MCBC corr-2	4.5K	5,69
19	MCBY corr-2	1.9K	5,22
20	MCBY corr-2	4.5K	5,28
21	MCBXH corr-4	1.9K	10,91
22	MCBXV corr-4	1.9K	11,66
23			
24	MCD corr-3	1.9K	10,65
25	MCO corr-2	1.9K	7,64
26	MCOSX corr-2	1.9K	9,46
27	MCOX corr2	1.9K	9,37
28	MCS corr-3	1.9K	12,28
29	MCSSX corr-2	1.9K	9,50
30	MCSX corr-2	1.9K	7,02
31	MCTX corr-2	1.9K	4,89
32			
33	MO corr-3	1.9K	10,55



... and more

Family is a group of monitors with the same threshold

- about **300** families identified
- **2160** monitors in 6 arc families

... and more

## Families – example of configuration file

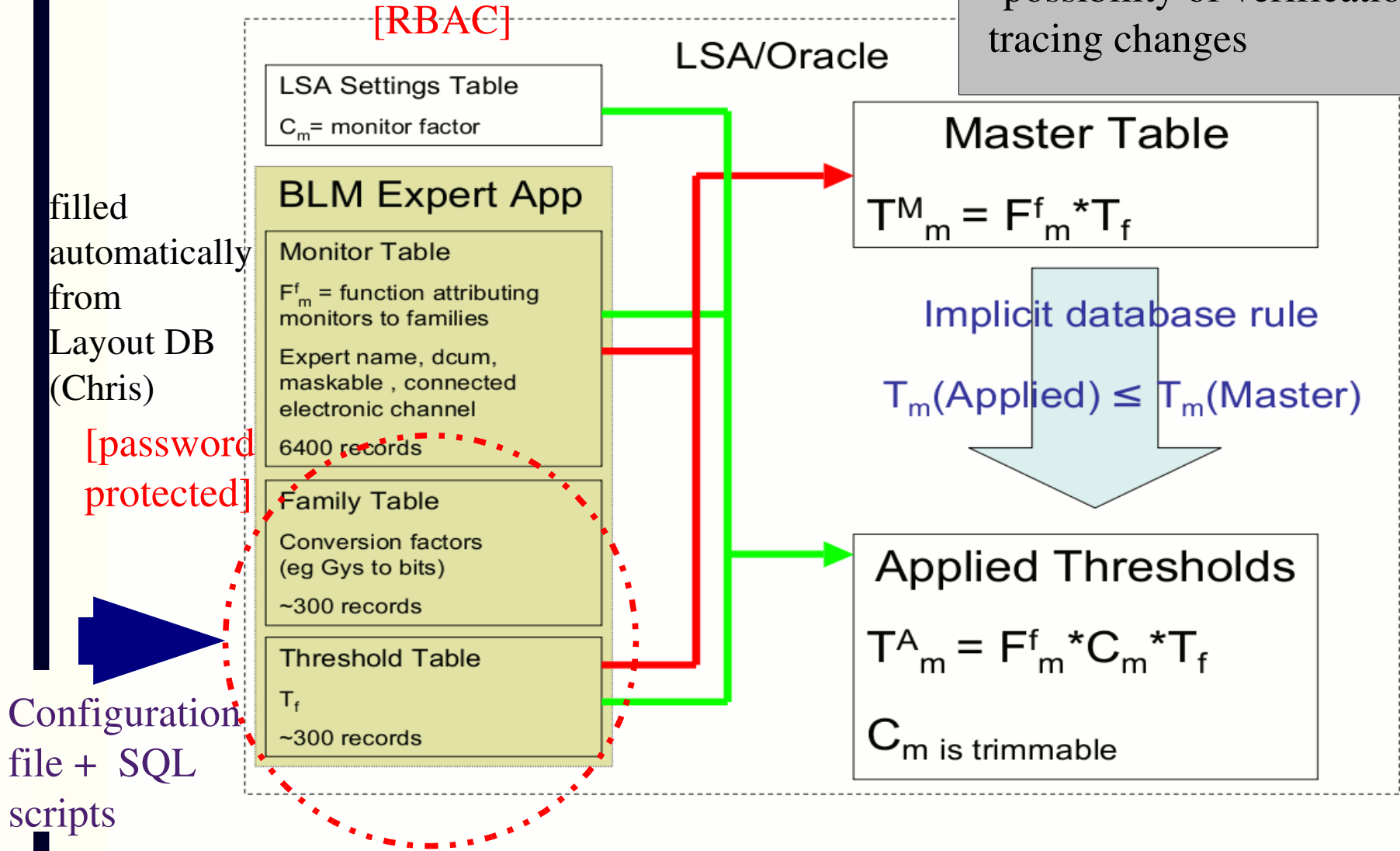
THRC.Name_0:	THRI.AR_7.B1.1_MQ	family name
THRC.Nquery_0:	23	
THRC.Query0_0:	BLMQI.12%7.B1%1_MQ	SQL-like query on expert names in DB
(...)		
THRC.Query22_0:	BLMQI.34%7.B1%1_MQ	
THRC.Seed_0:	7.e-4	seed threshold (7 TeV, fast loss)
THRC.GFac_0:	3.6200E-09	conversion factor BLMBIT->Gy (thresholds are send in BLMBITS)
THRC.AFac_0:	0.000054	conv. factor Gy->Coulomb

To be added: choice of the time-energy evolution scheme (different for triplets, warm elements, collimators...)

# Structure in LSA

**STAGE/FINAL** tables

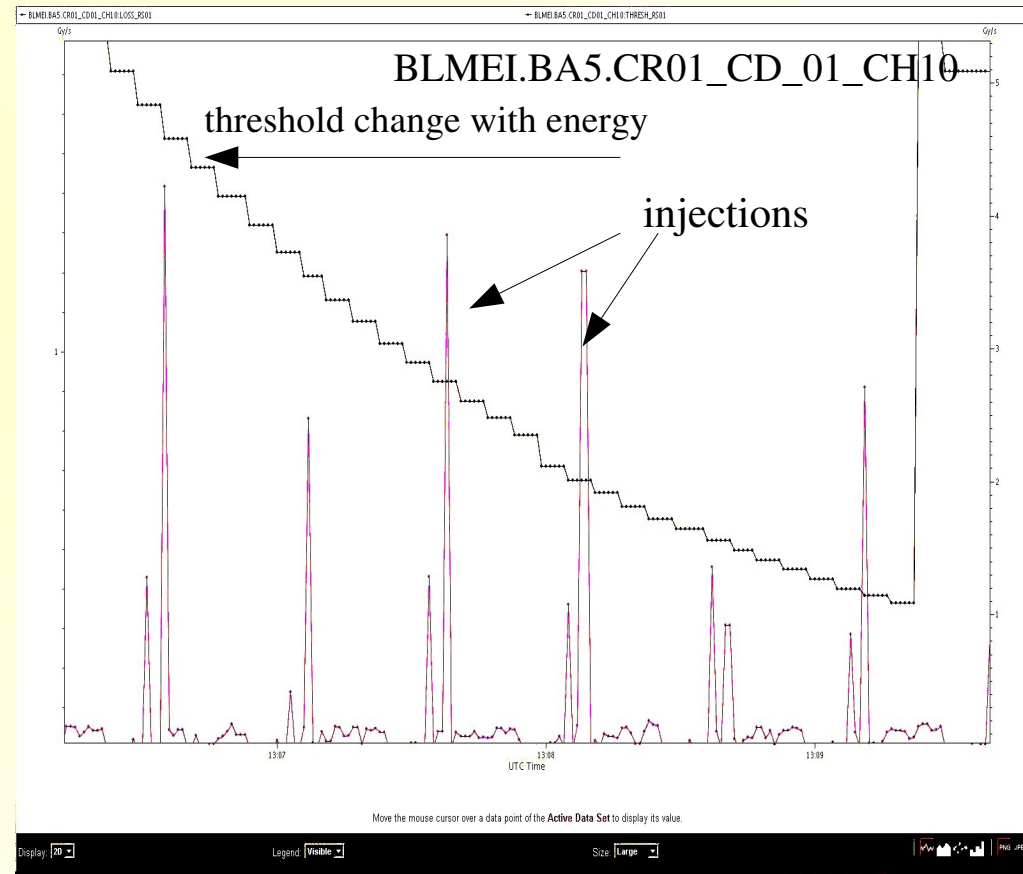
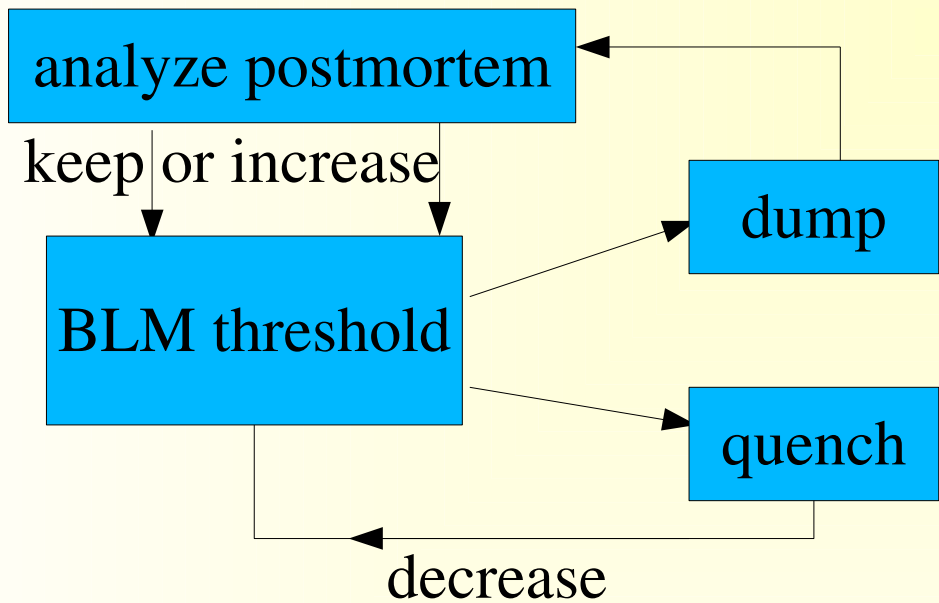
- filling FINAL - beam permit off
- possibility of verification and tracing changes





remarks

- The test of thresholds with LHC beam requested in Machine Protection System Commissioning Procedure
- Triggering from thresholds has been demonstrated during MD last fall:
- Threshold tuning is foreseen:



## Procedures for threshold plausibility checks

- **thresholds have to be input manually (expert knowledge) what increases probability of human error,**
- **history of threshold changes will be kept in LSA as a snapshot or via trim mechanism (monitor factors only),**
- **threshold plausibility checks will be developed for threshold values stored in LSA:**
  - there will be simple checks like maximum/minimum values typical for various elements,
  - as well as more complex ones like comparison with historical values (for instance at the level of APPLIED and MASTER tables).

## Summary

- database structure to keep and maintain BLM system settings is ready,
- tools to set and modify BLM thresholds in LSA exist, more than 50% of values are filled (preliminary arc families),
- simulations performed (or in final stage) for a few families (MQ on arc, triplets, collimators),
- most of the families are defined,
- procedures to tune thresholds during operation are being developed,
- procedures of thresholds plausibility checks are being developed.