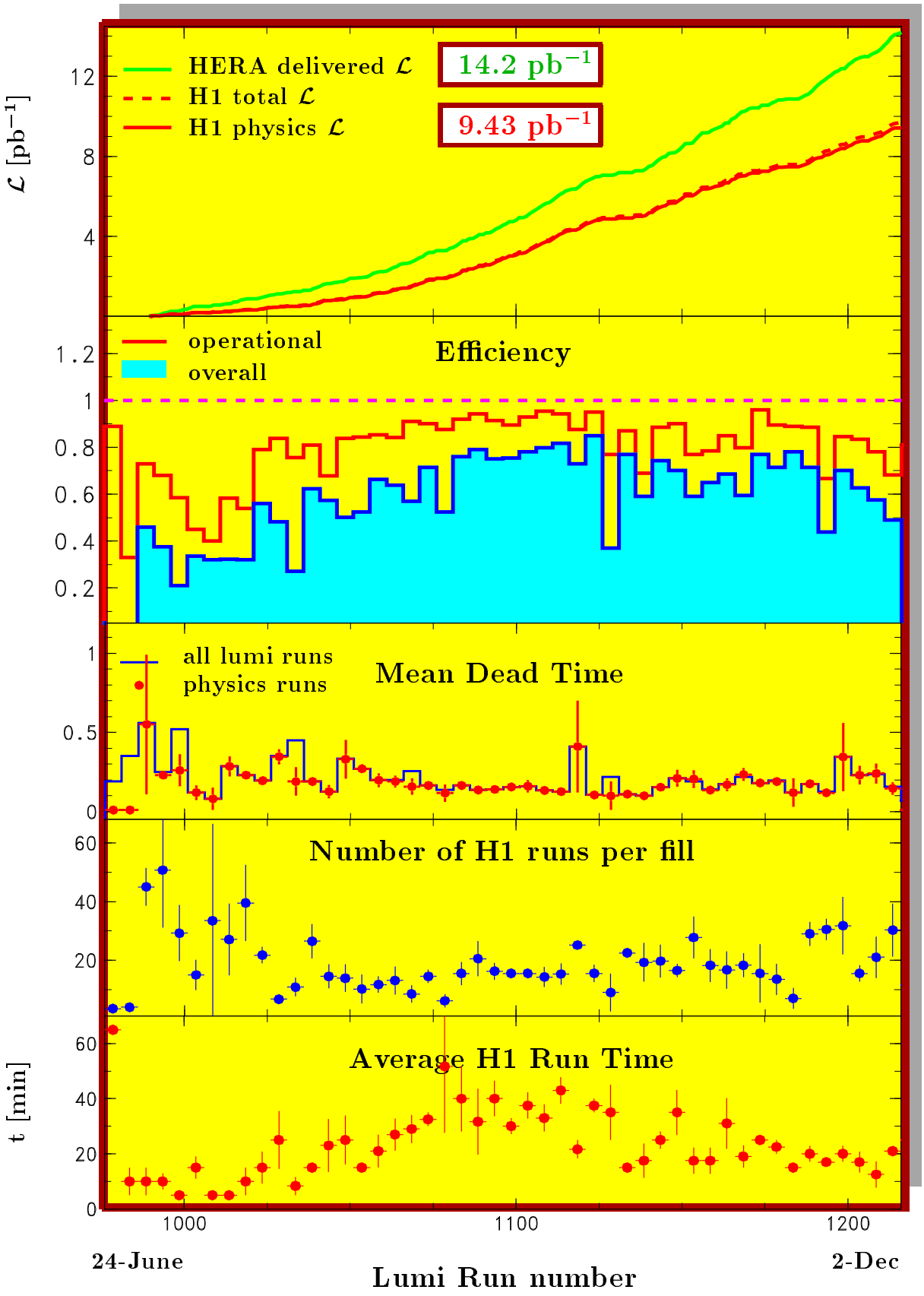H1 performance in 1996