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# Heavy lons at the LHC...

#### • ALICE

- Experiment designed for Heavy Ion collision
  - only dedicated experiment at LHC, must be comprehensive and able to cover all relevant observables
  - VERY robust tracking for p<sub>T</sub> from 0.1 GeV/c to 100 GeV/c
    - high-granularity 3D detectors with many space points per track (560 million pixels in the TPC alone, giving 180 space points/track)
    - very low material budget (< 10%X<sub>0</sub> in r < 2.5 m)</p>
  - **PID** over a very large  $p_T$  range
    - use of essentially all known technologies: TOF, dE/dx, RICH, TRD, topology
  - Hadrons, leptons and photons + Excellent vertexing
- ATLAS and CMS
  - General-purpose detectors, optimized for hard processes
    - Excellent Calorimetry = > Jets
    - Excellent dilepton measuremens, especially at high pT
- Now Joined by LHCb for pPb

Each required 20 years of work by a worldwide collaboration...,

# A program of major impact

- A very large community of physicists involved
  - over a thousand just in ALICE, hundreds in the other experiments + a lot of theoretical activity
- A huge scientific output
  - High impact papers: the top cited paper at the LHC after the Higgs discovery ones is the ALICE paper on flow in HI collisions, and out of the 13 top cited physics papers at the LHC 5 are from the Heavy Ion program (3 ALICE, 1 CMS and 1 ATLAS)
  - Several hundred presentations at international conferences each year



#### ALICE Continues to grow! PARTICIPATING INSTITUTES (1992-2012)



#### Number of participating institutes in ALICE



A scientific and technological program with great prospects!



# **ALICE has already evolved a lot!**

- ALICE history:
- 1990-1996: Design
- 1992-2002: R&D
- 2000-2010: Construction
- 2002-2007: Installation
- 2008 : Commissioning
- 2009-> Data Taking!

#### • 4 TP addenda along the way:

- 1996 : muon spectrometer
- 1999 : TRD;
- 2006 : EMCAL;
- 2010 : DCAL

### Nuclear Beams in the LHC: so far...



- LHC had till now two heavy-ion runs
  - In 2010 exploratory run
  - in 2011 already above nominal instant luminosity!
- This year (2013, as last section of 2012) p–Pb run

year	system	energy √s <sub>NN</sub> TeV	integrated luminosity
2010	Pb – Pb	2.76	~ 10 μb⁻¹
2011	Pb – Pb	2.76	~ 0.1 nb⁻¹
2013	p – Pb	5.02	~ 30 nb⁻¹

# **The future**



- RUN2 (2015, 2016, 2017) : will allow to approach the 1 nb<sup>-1</sup> for PbPb collisions, with improved detectors and double energy
- RUN3 + RUN4 (19, 20, 21 and 24, 25, 26): 10 nb<sup>-1</sup> with major detector improvements
- So: three phases, each jumping one order of magnitude in statistics and progressively improving the detectors

#### Short-term: LS1 plan, preparation for RUN2



# New installations

- 5 TRD modules
- 8 DCal modules
   (approved in 2010)
- Add 1 PHOS module



+ replacement of the whole DAQ/HLT, new readout for the TPC (factor of 2 faster), new gas for the TPC, new routing for the Trigger and a major consolidation effort all over...



DCAL

#### Long term future of the LHC HI Program



- All experiments are building on the success of RUN1 and learning from the results
- June 29<sup>th</sup> 2012 Town meeting of the whole HI community (at CERN)
  - Very important meeting, resulting in a common document of the Community submitted to the Cracow European Strategy Meeting, and indicating clearly the extension of the LHC HI program, including the ALICE upgrade, as its first priority. Remarkable coherence of ALICE, ATLAS and CMS
    - "The top priority for future quark matter research in Europe is the full exploitation of the physics potential of colliding heavy ions in the LHC."
- All 3 experiments would benefit from the PbPb luminosity upgrade, and in their upgrades would strengthen their complementarity
- NUPECC also submitted a document to Cracow,
  - Stresses the commitment of the Nuclear Physics Community to the ALICE long term programs, "top priority for European Nuclear Physics"

### **The European Strategy**



#### – 2012 Cracow European Strategy Meeting

• Heavy Ion Physics an integral part of the future LHC program till at least the mid 2020s

#### - Erice final document on the European Strategy for Particle Physics

• Heavy lons are an integral part of the top priority of the plan: *"Europe's top priority should be the exploitation of the full potential of the LHC, including the high-luminosity upgrade of the machine and detectors with a view to collecting ten times more data than in the initial design, by around 2030. This upgrade programme will also provide further exciting opportunities for the study of flavour physics* **and the quark-gluon plasma."** 

### **ALICE Upgrade: Objectives**

(a subset!! The upgrade opens many more opportunities!)



#### Detailed characterization of the Quark-Gluon-Plasma

- Measurement of heavy-flavour transport parameters
  - Diffusion coefficient (QGP eq. of state,  $\eta/s$ )  $\rightarrow$  HF azimuthal anisotropy and  $R_{AA}$
  - In-medium thermalization and hadronization  $\rightarrow$  HF baryons and mesosn
  - Mass dependence of energy loss  $\rightarrow$  HF R<sub>AA</sub>

#### Measurement of low-mass and low-p<sub>t</sub> di-electrons

- Chiral symmetry restoration  $\rightarrow \rho$  spectral function
- $\gamma$  production from QGP (temp.)  $\rightarrow$  low-mass dilepton continuum
- Space-time evolution of the QGP  $\rightarrow$  radial and elliptic flow of emitted radiation
- J/ $\psi$  ,  $\psi$ ', and  $\chi_c$  states down to zero  $p_t$ 
  - statistical hadronization vs. dissociation/recombination scenario
  - transition between low and high transverse momenta
  - density dependence central vs. forward production
- Heavy nuclear states
  - mass-4 and -5 (anti-)hypernuclei
  - search for H-dibaryon,  $\Lambda n$  bound states, etc.

#### requires high statistics and precision measurements

### ALICE Upgrade: target LS2 (2018)



#### Primary scope:

- precision studies of charm and beauty mesons and baryons and charmonia
- low mass lepton pairs and thermal photons
- gamma-jet and jet-jet with particle identification from low momentum up to 30 GeV.
- heavy nuclear states

#### Iow-transverse momentum observables

(complementary/orthogonal to the general-purpose detectors)

- not triggerable => need to examine full statistics.
- Operate ALICE at high rate while preserving its uniqueness, superb tracking and PID, and enhance its secondary vertex capability and tracking at low-p<sub>T</sub>

# **Experimental Strategy**



- run ALICE at 50kHz Pb-Pb (i.e. L = 6x10<sup>27</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>), with minimum bias (pipeline) readout (max readout with present ALICE set-up ~500Hz)
  - Gain a factor of 100 in statistics over current program: x 10 integrated luminosity, 1nb<sup>-1</sup> => 10 nb<sup>-1</sup>, x 10 via pipelined readout allowing inspection of all collisions, namely inspect O( 10<sup>10</sup>) central collisions instead of O(10<sup>8</sup>)
- improve vertexing and tracking at low p<sub>t</sub>
- This entails a major upgrade of the whole apparatus:
  - New, smaller radius beam pipe
  - New inner tracker (ITS) (scope and rate upgrade)
  - High-rate upgrade for the readout of the TPC, TRD, TOF, CALs, DAQ/HLT, Muons and Trigger detectors
- Furthermore, three proposals have been considered by the collaboration to extend the scope of the ALICE upgrade: VHMPID, MFT, and FoCal
  - new high momentum PID capabilities
  - b-tagging for  $J/\psi$ , low-mass di-muons
  - low-x physics with identified  $\gamma/\pi^{o}$





New Inner Tracking System 7-layer silicon tracker based on MAPS

#### Detector module consists of

- Carbon fiber support structure
- Cooling unit
- Polyimide cable
- Silicon chips (monolithic pixels)

# **TPC Upgrade with GEMs**



Replacement of wire-chambers with GEM-chambers

- 100 m<sup>2</sup> single-mask foils
- Limit Ion-Back-Flow into drift volume
- Maintain excellent dE/dx resolution
   New readout electronics
   Keep all other subsystems
   Cost: 5.5 MCHF



Replace wire chambers With triple-GEM or quadruple-GEM chambers



# **Online-Offline Computing (O<sup>2</sup>)**

- 3 projects: DAQ, HLT, Offline
  - Run 2 : Prepare (update) and operate 3 independent systems
- LS2 upgrade (re-design and implement)
  - "Upgrade of the ALICE Experiment", Letter Of Intent (LoI), CERN-LHCC-2012-12)
  - ALICE Computing software framework for LS2 Upgrade, ALICE-INT-2013-001
  - Run 3 :
    - 1 common new online and offline computing system
    - Common computing farm and software framework
  - Common Technical Design Report (TDR) by September 2014





# Performance improvement I

New ITS & beampipe: Improvement of impact parameter resolution



Simulations for two upgrade layouts

**Option A: 7 pixel layers** 

•Resolutions:

 $\sigma_{r\phi}$  = 4  $\mu$ m,  $\sigma_z$  = 4  $\mu$ m for all layers

•Material budget:

 $X/X_0 = 0.3\%$  for all layers

Option B: 3 layers of pixels + 4 layers of strips

•Resolutions: c

•Material budget:

 $\sigma_{r\phi}$  = 4  $\mu$ m,  $\sigma_z$  = 4  $\mu$ m for pixels

 $X/X_0 = 0.3\%$  for pixels

**radial positions** (cm): 2.2, 2.8, 3.6, 20, 22, 41, 43 Same for both layouts

> $σ_{r\phi}$  = 20 μm,  $σ_z$  = 830 μm for strips X/X<sub>0</sub> = 0.83% for strips

#### **Performance improvement II**

**ITS standalone tracking efficiency** 

Central events at  $sqrt(s_{NN}) = 5.5 \text{ TeV}$ 



Simulations for two upgrade layouts

#### Example of performance studies: $\Lambda_c \rightarrow pK\pi$

•  $\Lambda_c c\tau=60 \ \mu m$ , to be compared with D<sup>+</sup>  $c\tau=300 \ \mu m$  $\rightarrow$  practically impossible in Pb-Pb with current ITS



With new ITS and high-rate, measurement down to 2 GeV/c

#### Example of performance studies: low-mass e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>

- e-PID in TPC and TOF
  - Needs high-rate readout
- Dalitz rejection, conversion and charm suppression
  - New ITS improves major sources of systematic uncertainties



# **Additional Upgrades**



- Decisions taken in Collaboration Board on March 21<sup>st</sup> 2013
- VHMPID
  - High momentum hadron identification with focusing RICH: further enhancement of specific ALICE strength
  - Interesting physics case, but not considered strong and unique enough given the possibility to perform most of the proposed measurements with existing ALICE PID, although with lesser precision
  - Not approved for submission to the LHCC
- FoCal
  - Electromagnetic calorimeter for forward direct photon measurement: low-x physics
  - physics case: gluon saturation in p+A
  - Needs further study: stronger physics case in A+A and digestion of first p+A results
  - Postpone decision and, if approved, installation (after LS2)
- MFT
  - Silicon tracker to enhance forward muon measurement: displaced vertex detection and enhanced background rejection
  - Improve  $\psi$  measurement, add charm/beauty separation
  - Approved by collaboration prepare submission to LHCC

### **The Muon Forward Tracker apparatus**



- 5 planes of CMOS silicon pixel sensors
- Placed between IP and front absorber
- Covering most of the MUON acceptance  $(3^{\circ} < \theta < 9^{\circ}, -3.6 < \eta < -2.5)$
- Same Technology as for new ITS  $\Rightarrow$  numerous synergies in R&D / production



#### Add displaced vertex measurement to MUON







- Good pointing resolution
  - Identification of single muons from D ( $c\tau$ ~150 µm) and B ( $c\tau$ ~500 µm)
  - Discrimination between prompt and displaced dimuons (J/ $\psi$  from B)
- Background rejection
  - Cut on the matching quality between MUON / MFT
- Improvement of invariant mass resolution at low mass
- Better measurement of the opening angle of the two muons
- Impact on ALICE Physics Capabilities:
  - Separate Charm and Beauty to low pT in single muon and dimuon
  - Access Beauty down to zero pT thanks to displaced J/ $\psi$  measurement
  - ⇒ Test heavy quarks energy loss models
  - Improved S/B allows precise  $\psi'/\psi$  measurement
  - $\Rightarrow$  Discrimination between statistical and transport models

#### **ALICE Upgrade Physics Reach: summary**



 $p_T$  coverage ( $p_T^{min}$ ) and statistical error for current ALICE with approved programme and upgraded ALICE with extended programme. Error in both cases at  $p_T^{min}$  of "approved".

Торіс	Observable	Approved (1/nb delivered, 0.1/nb m.b.)	Upgrade (10/nb delivered, 10/nb m.b.)
Heavy flavour	D meson R <sub>AA</sub>	p <sub>T</sub> >1, 10%	р <sub>т</sub> >0, 0.3%
	D from B R <sub>AA</sub>	р <sub>т</sub> >3, 30%	p <sub>T</sub> >2, 1%
	D meson elliptic flow (for v <sub>2</sub> =0.2)	p <sub>τ</sub> >1, 50%	р <sub>т</sub> >0, 2.5%
	D from B elliptic flow (for v <sub>2</sub> =0.1)	not accessible	p <sub>τ</sub> >2, 20%
	Charm baryon/meson ratio ( $\Lambda_c/D$ )	not accessible	р <sub>т</sub> >2, 15%
	D <sub>s</sub> R <sub>AA</sub>	p <sub>τ</sub> >4, 15%	p <sub>τ</sub> >1, 1%
Charmonia	$J/\psi R_{AA}$ (forward y)	p <sub>T</sub> >0, 1%	р <sub>т</sub> >0, 0.3%
	$J/\psi R_{AA}$ (central y)	p <sub>T</sub> >0, 5%	р <sub>т</sub> >0, 0.5%
	J/ $\psi$ elliptic flow (forward y, for v <sub>2</sub> =0.1)	р <sub>т</sub> >0, 15%	p <sub>T</sub> >0, 5%
	ψ'	p <sub>τ</sub> >0, 30%	р <sub>т</sub> >0, 10%
Dielectrons	Temperature IMR	not accessible	10% on T
	Elliptic flow IMR (for $v_2=0.1$ )	not accessible	10%
	Low-mass vector spectral function	not accessible	p <sub>T</sub> >0.3 <i>,</i> 20%
Heavy nuclei	hyper(anti)nuclei, H-dibaryon	35% ( <sup>4</sup> <sub>Л</sub> Н)	3.5% ( <sup>4</sup> <sub>Л</sub> Н)

# **ALICE Upgrade Physics Reach: MFT**



 $p_T$  coverage ( $p_T^{min}$ ) and statistical error for current ALICE with approved programme and upgraded ALICE with extended programme. Error in both cases at  $p_T^{min}$  of "approved".

Торіс	Observable	MUON Upgrade (10/nb delivered, 10/nb m.b.)	MUON + MFT Upgrade (10/nb delivered, 10/nb m.b.)
Heavy flavour	J/ψ from B R <sub>AA</sub>	-	p <sub>T</sub> >0, 10% @ 1 GeV (to be improved "a la LHCb")
	J/ $\psi$ from B v <sub>2</sub>	-	Not evaluated yet
	$\boldsymbol{\mu}$ decays from charmed hadrons	-	p <sub>T</sub> >1, 7% @ 1 GeV
	$\boldsymbol{\mu}$ decays from beauty hadrons	-	p <sub>T</sub> >2, 10% @ 2 GeV
Charmonia	Prompt J/ψ R <sub>AA</sub>	-	p <sub>T</sub> >0, 10% @ 1 GeV
	Prompt J/ $\psi$ v <sub>2</sub>	-	Not evaluated yet
	ψ΄	p <sub>T</sub> >0, 30%	p <sub>T</sub> >0, 10% @ 1 GeV
Dielectrons	Low mass spectral func. and QGP radiation	-	p <sub>T</sub> >1, 20% at 1 GeV

# **Running scenario after the upgrade**



- Pb–Pb
  - int. luminosity per year 2.85 nb<sup>-1</sup> (peak L = 7x10<sup>27</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>)
  - needed int. luminosity 10 nb<sup>-1</sup>, statistics 8x10<sup>10</sup> events
  - 3.5 month of running
  - +1 month of special run at low field for dileptons
- p–Pb
  - max event rate 200 kHz, flat (*L* = 10<sup>29</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>)
  - needed int. luminosity 50 nb<sup>-1</sup>, statistics 10<sup>11</sup> events
  - 0.5 month of dedicated p–Pb run
- pp
  - max event rate 200 kHz, flat (*L* = 3x10<sup>30</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>)
  - needed int. luminosity 6 pb<sup>-1</sup>, statistics 4x10<sup>11</sup> events
  - ~ 2 months of dedicated pp run

The list above fulfills the ALICE physics program as presented in the LoI.

A run with lower mass nuclei (e.g. Ar) could be considered in addition, if a physics case for it would emerge.

# A possible running scheme



- ALICE plans to run 6 years with upgraded detector, i.e. until 2026 (assuming start in 2019 and 2 years break of LS3)
- Possible scenario:
  - 2019 Pb–Pb 2.85 nb<sup>-1</sup>
  - 2020 Pb–Pb 2.85 nb<sup>-1</sup> (low magnetic field)
  - 2021 pp reference run
  - 2022 LS3
  - 2023 LS3
  - 2024 Pb–Pb 2.85 nb<sup>-1</sup>
  - 2025 ½ Pb-Pb 1.42 nb<sup>-1</sup> + ½ p-Pb 50 nb<sup>-1</sup>
  - 2026 Pb–Pb 2.85 nb<sup>-1</sup>
- This would not require pp running during high-luminosity runs, only a short time before a heavy-ion run for setting up and commissioning.



- Endorsed by the LHCC Sept 27<sup>th</sup> , 2012:
  - "The LHCC commends this joint approach to heavy ion physics and endorses the upgrade plans of the ALICE collaboration. The committee is looking forward to the seeing the detailed technical solutions presented in the respective TDRs."
- Approved by Research Board Nov 28<sup>th</sup> 2012

"The Research Board approved the upgrade of ALICE for the physics case that has been made in the LoI, based on up to 10 nb-1 of data taken with lead ions, implying that the experiment will continue to run beyond 2018. The CERN accelerator departments should assess the feasibility of delivering the requested integrated luminosity."

# **Upgrades: next steps**



- September 8: a draft of the MFT LoI sent to the LHCC referees
- September 24: presentation of the MFT LoI for a decision on the approval; Presentation of the status of the ITS, TPC and High Luminosity Electronics upgrade
- End of October beginning of November: **submission** of the ITS, TPC and Electronics upgrade **TDRs** to the LHCC referees
- December 4: presentation of the ITS, TPC and Electronics TDRs for a decision on the approval.
  - TDRs will contain the technical descriptions, but also the construction plans, work sharing and commitments
    O<sup>2</sup> TDR in a year
- FoCal:

  - preparing to update material for internal review
    more performance simulations, etc.
    discussions with TC on beam pipe and integration ongoing





# HF thermalization and in-medium hadronization: $\Lambda_{\rm c}$ and $\rm D_{s}$ as probes

- Baryon/meson enhancement and strangeness enhancement → indication of light-quark hadronization from partonic system
  - Charm baryons ( $\Lambda_{\rm c}$ )
  - $\Lambda_c$ /D enhancement predicted by coalescence models. Size of effect depends strongly on details of c quark thermalization





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  - Charm-strange mesons (D<sub>s</sub>)

Factor 2 enhancement for D<sub>s</sub>/D predicted by coalescence



Our first measurement is intriguing, but not conclusive



- Uniqueness of heavy guarks. Can not be "destroyed/created" in the medium  $\rightarrow$  transported through the full system evolution
- Due to their large mass, c and b quarks should "feel" less the collective expansion





→ Need precise measurement of  $v_2$  of D and B mesons to answer these questions:

- is  $v_2$  of charm the same as of pions?
- is v<sub>2</sub> of beauty smaller than of charm?
- comparison with models  $\rightarrow$  HQ transport coefficient of QGP

Meeting with LHCC ALICE referees, 25.09.12

# • Reaching $p_T \rightarrow 0$ in central Pb-Pb provides:

- Handle on the possibility to detect thermal charm production
  - May increase low- $p_{T}$  yields by up to 50-100%
  - Sensitive to initial temperature of the QGP



#### • Goal: heavy fland Buse paraent ching to low



- Latest ALICE (charm) and CMS (beauty) data from QM2012: not conclusive in comparison with models at low p<sub>T</sub>
- Overcome current ALICE limits:

  - + indirect B measurement via electrons (loose correlation  $p_{T}^{B}$  vs  $p_{T}^{e}$ )
- Build on ALICE uniqueness at low p<sub>T</sub>: PID, low material and B field

## **The ALICE Upgrade**



- Four Pillars (each in a Technical Design Report, now in preparation):
  - Completely new Silicon Inner Tracking System
  - New or upgraded readout for all detectors to cope with the higher rate
  - New readout chambers for the Time Projection CHamber
  - New Data Acquisition System and High Level Trigger to handle the continuous readout

#### **ALICE today**





• 36 COUNTRIES – 149 INSTITUTES – 160'653 KCHF CAPITAL COST 41

#### **New Inner Tracking**



# Upgrades: cost estimates, materials only

Total with ITS option 2	42,0
Total with ITS option 1	36,0
Common Projects	5,5
Trigger Detectors	1,0
Offline	0,5
Online systems e)	9,3
Muon Spectrometer	2,1
PHOS d)	0,8
TOF	0,7
TRD	0,6
TPC c)	5,5
ITS option 2 b)	16,0
ITS option 1 a)	10,0
Sub-Systems	[MCHF]
ALICE Upgrade	Estimated Cost

Table 1: Cost estimates for the ALICE Upgrade

In case of approval of the MFT by the LHCC The total for the ALICE LS2 upgrade Would go to just below 40 MCHF

- From the Lol, chapter 5 (where much more detail can be found)
- R&D, about 15% of cost, not included, following CORE conventions.
  - Managed via agreements within each project
  - Ongoing, with strong support from participating FA

t is 4.5 MCHF since existing readout chamber are reused ce studies ongoing.

### **Time profile for expenditures**



# MFT Cost estimate



- Many items in common with ITS (pixel chips, readout,etc), with much smaller surface
- Reduced cost compared to a completely standalone detector

Item	Cost (MCHF)
CMOS	0.65
Thinning, dicing and mounting	0.43
MCM	0.33
Flex cables, FEE	0.49
Cables, connectors	0.49
Mechanics, cooling	0.52
Low voltage regulation	0.15
Power supply	0.25
Total	3.31

Modest impact on Common Fund => ~ 300 kCHF