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### Experimental tools informing about or affecting the initial stages

- Correlations over large range in rapidity ( $\tau_{corr} \sim \tau_{f,0} e^{-\frac{1}{2}|\Delta y|}$ )
  - i.e.  $\tau_{\rm corr} \sim 0.5 {\rm fm}/c$  for  $|\Delta y| \sim 7$
  - need large acceptance (tracking) detectors
- Use probes related to gluons as HF or direct photons, also dileptons
  - need precision vertexing, PID, muon detectors, EM calorimeters
- Change initial state by variation of collision species, including
  - ultra-peripheral collisions
  - ee and ep or eA collisions





FUTURE: improvement or new instrumentation, increase precision and accuracy



# Ongoing LHC program

#### Run-3



ALICE 2.0 LHCb Phase I



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**Time Projection Chamber** (TPC)



#### **Inner Tracking System 2** (ITS2)

#### Fast Interaction Tracker (FIT)



ALICE upgrades during the LHC Long Shutdown 2, arXiv:2302.01238



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#### ALICE2.0 - essentially a new detector for Run 3/4 TPC d*E*/dx (arb. units) <sup>8</sup> 06 10 TOF ALICE Performance TPC 900F Run 3, pp √s = 13.6 TeV B = 0.5 T0.9 TOF 700 0.8 ALICE Performance 0.7 pp, 13.6 TeV 500 B = 0.5 T p<sub>+</sub> 1.4-1.5 GeV/c 0.6 400<del>[</del> -π -K -p 0.5 300 0.4 200 0.3 100 0.2

0.5

10

p/|z| (GeV/c)

1.5

# (ITS2)

**Inner Tracking System 2** 

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0.4

0.6

0.7

 $m_{\rm inv}$  (GeV/ $c^2$ )

0

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# LHCb phase I upgrade $2 \leq \eta \leq 5$

- Significantly improved tracking (pixel, silicon strip, scintillating fibre) + PID
- New tracking can reconstruct even PbPb up to 30% most central
- LHCb with full streaming readout at 40 Mhz



The LHCb upgrade I, arXiv:2305.10515



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# **ALICE 2.1: ITS3**

# ITS3

### ITS2 (inner barrel)



- Replace the 3 innermost layers by real half-cylinders of bent, thin silicon
- Use wafer-scale sensors (1 sensor per half-layer) in 65 nm technology
- Minimised material budget and distance to interaction point
  - requires also smaller + thinner beam pipe
- ~2x better pointing precision and substantially improved physics performance
- Many spin-offs, in particular important also for the EIC (ePIC)

#### CERN-LHCC-2019-018



factor ~2 improvement in pointing resolution







# ALICE 2.1: FoCal

FoCal-E

Forward region on A-side instrumented only by FIT Spatial constraints:

3.4<η<5.8

FoCal-H

- Mainly sideways: ±60cm
- Length about 1.50m

#### Letter-of-Intent: <u>CERN-LHCC-2020-009</u>



FoCal-E: high-granularity Si-W sampling sandwich calorimeter for photons and  $\pi^0$ 

FoCal-H: conventional metal-scintillator sampling calorimeter for photon isolation and jets

Main physics goal: Universal structure of matter at small-x

#### <u>Observables</u>

- $\pi^0$  and other neutral mesons
- Isolated (direct) photons
- Jets
- J/ψ, Y (in UPC)
- Z, W
- Correlations

(see talks by P.Jacobs, M.Rauch, Tue afternoon)









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- of all observables, and is therefore a **universal** description of the high gluon density regime?

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- 3. Explore jet quenching at forward rapidity

  Measure high-pT neutral pions and jets in PbPb

  4. Other observables or measurements

  Quarkonia in hadronic collisions
  Photon and pion HBT (\*)
  Z (W) in pp/pPb
  Isolated photons in PbPb (\*)
  Reaction plane and centrality determination in PbPb

(\*=feasibility not yet explored)





# Example of global analysis using nNNPDF3.0

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- Non-linear dynamics, if present, could be reabsorbed in the nuclear PDF fit
- $\bullet$
- Bayesian-based parameter extraction (e.g. see <u>SURGE collaboration</u>)

To discriminate linear from non-linear evolution may likely need to go beyond nPDF fits in collinear approximation Develop common framework for many eA and pA observables to allow for consistent predictions and/or







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# CMS phase II upgrade: A new detector for HL era 16



### L1-Trigger https://cds.cern.ch/record/2714892

- Tracks in L1-Trigger at 40 MHz
- Particle Flow selection
- •750 kHz L1 output
- 40 MHz data scouting





## **Calorimeter Endcap**

- https://cds.cern.ch/record
- •3D showers and precise timing Si, Scint+SiPM in Pb/W-SS



### **Tracker**

### https://cds.cern.ch/record/2272264

- Si-Strip and Pixels increased granularity
- Design for tracking in L1-Trigger
- Extended coverage to  $\eta \simeq 4.0$



- **Precision timing with:** •Barrel layer: LYSO Crystals + SiPMs •Endcap layer:
- Low Gain Avalanche Diodes

## **DAQ & High-Level Trigger**

https://cds.cern.ch/record/2759072

•Full optical readout Heterogenous architecture •60 TB/s event network

7.5 kHz HLT output

### **Barrel Calorimeters**

https://cds.cern.ch/record/2283187

- •ECAL crystal granularity readout at 40 MHz
- with precise timing for  $e/\gamma$  at 30 GeV
- •ECAL and HCAL new back-end boards



### Muon systems

https://cds.cern.ch/record/2283189

- •DT & CSC new FE/BE readout
- **RPC** back-end electronics
- •New GEM/RPC 1.6 < η < 2.4
- Extended coverage to  $\eta \simeq 3$



# **MIP Timing Detector**

### https://cds.cern.ch/record/2667167

## **Beam Radiation Instr.** and Luminosity

### http://cds.cern.ch/record/2759074

- •Beam abort & timing
- •Beam-induced background
- •Bunch-by-bunch luminosity: 1% offline, 2% online
- Neutron and mixed-field radiation monitors
- Proposed ZDC-HL (joint project with ATLAS)







# **CMS MIP timing detector**

## $p/K/\pi$ separation

### CMS Phase-2 PbPb (5.5 TeV) CMS Phase-2 1.7 Simulation 10<sup>3</sup> 1.6 Hydjet |η| > 1.6 2.5 <sup>4</sup>He 1.5 D 1.4 10<sup>2</sup> <sup>3</sup>He 1/B 1/β 1.3 1.2 10 1.5 1.1 π 0.9<sup>L</sup> p [GeV]

- Unique hermetic particle identification coverage by CMS MTD
- Crucial to measure eg.  $\Lambda_c^+/D^0$  ratio over large pseudorapidty and down close to zero p<sub>T</sub>

CMS-DP-2021-037



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# ATLAS phase-II upgrade (for TDR references, see here)



Additional small upgrades Luminosity detectors (1% preci-





# High Luminosity Zero Degree Calorimeters



- Detection of Cherenkov light emission in high-purity, ultra-radiation-hard fused silica rods  $\bullet$
- EM and HAD sections are calorimeters with different sampling ratios
- RPD consists of an array of fused-silica fibers of different lengths to map the transverse profile of the shower produced within the EM module.

CERN-LHCC-2021-018

Thinner and finer segmented absorber

- for neutrons and protons
- Ambitious due to limited space in the TANX region • Joint project between ATLAS and CMS (HI) groups
- Centrality in PbPb and pPb
- Separations of number of neutron for UPC
- Reaction plan determination (in particular 1st-order) • Potential MB trigger





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## Run-6





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LOI, arXiv:2211.02491

Superconducting

magnet system

**FCT** 

• 1-2 T (field to be opt.)

• free bore r=1.5m, length ~8m

RICH

• high-spatial resolution:  $\sigma_{pos} \approx 10 \ \mu m$ 

## Barrel RICH ( $|\eta| < 1.75$ )

- radius= 0.9m, length= 5.6m
- photon detection area =  $39 \text{ m}^2$
- readout cell size = 3x3 mm<sup>2</sup>

## Forward RICH (1.75 < $|\eta|$ < 4)

- photon detection area =  $14 \text{ m}^2$
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## **Forward Conversion Tracker**

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### Tracker (60 m<sup>2</sup> silicon pixel detector)

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# Running scenario (Run 5+6)

optimistic scenario	0-0	Ar-Ar	Ca-Ca	Kr-Kr	In-In	Xe-Xe	Pb-Pb
(LAA) (cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	9.5·10 <sup>29</sup>	2.0·10 <sup>29</sup>	1.9·10 <sup>29</sup>	5.0·10 <sup>28</sup>	2.3·10 <sup>28</sup>	1.6·10 <sup>28</sup>	3.3·10 <sup>27</sup>
(L <sub>NN</sub> ) (cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	2.4·10 <sup>32</sup>	3.3·10 <sup>32</sup>	3.0·10 <sup>32</sup>	3.0·10 <sup>32</sup>	3.0·10 <sup>32</sup>	2.6·10 <sup>32</sup>	1.4·10 <sup>32</sup>
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L <sub>NN</sub> (pb <sup>-1</sup> / month)	409	550	500	510	512	434	242

(e.g. charm abundance, jet quenching but also background)

- Baseline approach for HI programme (ALICE-3 perspective)
- Maximise stats for rare probes; identify species best suited for physics program
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 $\mathscr{L}_{NN} = A^2 \mathscr{L}_{AA}$ 

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3.1·10 <sup>2</sup>	8.4·10 <sup>1</sup>	3.9·10 <sup>1</sup>	2.6·10 <sup>1</sup>	5.6·10 <sup>0</sup>
500	510	512	434	242

rength of expected QGP effects

g. charm abundance, jet quenching but also background)



# Running scenario (Run 5+6)





- Baseline approach for HI programme (ALICE-3 perspective)
- Maximise stats for rare probes; identify species best suited for physics program
- 6 running years with 1 month / year with that species
  - For PbPb, in total ~35/nb

Upgraded FoCal

in-front of FCT?

Consider special runs (low B, pp ref, small(er) systems based on insights from Run 3+4

CERN BE (beams department) working group setup to define future ion operation needs based on requests by LHC and North Area experiments and their implications on the ION injector complex • Consider requesting Ne for Run 4? (see here for recent talk)

A quantitative prediction. (G.Giacalone, Wed morning)



dN / dy ~ 100

 $\frac{v_2 \left[\mathrm{O} + \mathrm{O}\right]}{v_2 \left[\mathrm{Ne} + \mathrm{Ne}\right]}$  $= 0.93 \pm 0.01$ 

> [Bally et al. in preparation] Giuliano Giacalone's talk

Uncertainty contains large systematic scan of hydro model parameters. Nuclear shapes consistently taken from *ab initio* theory.



# Summary

- We are still only at the beginning of the LHC
- Multiple, ambitious upgrade projects still ahead
- All detectors have and will significantly improve in terms of acceptance, rate and PID capabilities
  - Most-often focus on HF and dileptons • For direct photons at forward rapidity, FoCal in Run 4, LHCb ECAL in Run 5
- LHCb specialises on forward rapidity
  - SMOG2 system since Run 3: fixed target at roughly RHIC energies
  - LHCspin: Polarized gas target in Run 5
- Nuclear community needs to engage to define the run plan for Run 5 and 6
  - Depending on how Run 3 progresses, even room to influence Run 4 schedule (Ne?) • Make use of LHCb SMOG2 as much as possible

  - Increase "lobbying" to extend yearly HI beam budget by 1 or 2 weeks ?



# Additional



# Oxygen run in 2024

## **O-O run**

- to study emergence of collective effects in small systems
- Luminosity goal: 0.5 nb<sup>-1</sup> in ALICE/CMS/ATLAS,
- OO energy: same energy per charge as PbPb run to minimize setup time ۲
- No time for dedicated pp reference run, need to extrapolate from ۲ existing pp reference runs
- Duration: ~1 day + setup •

## p-O run

- Long-standing request from cosmic ray community, to improve modeling of high energy air showers
- Luminosity goals: 2 nb<sup>-1</sup> in LHCb, 1.5 nb<sup>-1</sup> in LHCf ۲
- pO energy: 6.8 TeV/charge if possible, protons need to be in beam 1 ۲
- **Duration:** few days + setup

Full oxygen run should take ~1 week, foreseen for either July or September 2024





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## **Constraints on Rg**

 $\mathbf{B}_{g}$ EIC fit (nNNPDF1.0) <sup>208</sup>Pb - NNPDF 2.0 - FOCAL weights  $Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ 90% CL nNNPDF 2.0, arXiv:2006.14629  $10^{-5}$  $10^{-3}$ 10<sup>-2</sup> **10**<sup>-1</sup>  $10^{-4}$  $10^{-6}$ 

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nNPDF 2.0 from DIS + LHC

- No constraints for  $x < 10^{-2}$  from DIS
- LHC: high-Q<sup>2</sup> constraints down to 10<sup>-4</sup>
- FOCAL significant constraints over a broad range:  $\sim 10^{-5} - 10^{-2}$  at small Q<sup>2</sup>
  - No additional constraints from EIC expected





# FoCal: Comparison of isolated performance with LHCb projection 32







FoCal performance (4<η<5) outperforms LHCb  $(3 < \eta < 4)$  by a factor of 2 or more in uncertainty (LHCb measures only about 25-40% of the photons from  $\pi^0$ )

> (WP at  $\varepsilon_{sig}$ =0.2 for LHCb, at  $\varepsilon_{sig} \sim 0.4$  for FoCal)



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### $\pi^0$ - $\pi^0$ correlations in pp



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Jet reco: performance at low jet p<sub>T</sub> under study





# CMS phase 2 tracking

- Installation before Run 4
- Charged particle reconstruction up to **|n|<4**
- At <Pile-Up>=200 (heavy-ion like):
  - Efficiency > 90%, fake rate < 3%
- Significantly better  $p_T$  and  $d_0$  resolution



CMS-TDR-014



# ALICE 3 - physics program

## • **Early stages**: temperature of QGP before hadronisation

- Di-lepton and photon production, elliptic flow
- Electric conductivity of the QGP
- Chiral symmetry restoration:  $\rho a_1$  mixing

## Heavy flavour diffusion and thermalisation in the QGP

- Beauty and charm flow •
- Charm hadron correlations

## • Hadronisation, final state interactions in heavy-ion collisions

- Multi-charm baryon production: thermal processes/quark recombination
- Quarkonia and exotic mesons: dissociation and regeneration

#### • Structure of exotic hadrons

- Momentum correlations (femtoscopy)
- Production yields dissociation in final state scattering
- Decay studies in ultra-peripheral collisions
- New nuclear states: charm nuclei
- Susceptibilities
- Ultra-soft photons: experimental test of Low's theorem
- **BSM searches**: ALPs, dark photons

#### LOI, arXiv:2211.02491





Y. Kamiya et al. arXiv:2108.09644v1



