

**A Very Forward Hadron Spectrometer  
for the LHC.  
(Expression of Interest: Snowmass EF05,EF06)**

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Take this forward! Let's write a White Paper for Snowmass 2022

Needs a LEADER or co-leaders to coordinate this (and run with the ball!)

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## Abstract

We are developing an proposal to measure at the LHC the spectra at high Feynman  $x_F = p_z/p_{beam}$  of charged hadrons, light nuclei and antinuclei ( $\bar{d}$ ,  ${}^3\bar{H}$ ,  ${}^3\bar{He}$ ), as well as decaying neutrals such as  $K^0$ ,  $\Lambda^0$ , and charm:  $D^0$  and  $\Lambda_c^+$ . Charged particles with  $1 \lesssim p_z \lesssim 3$  TeV can be measured in low luminosity pp and light ion runs behind an enlarged beam pipe ( $R \sim 1$  m,  $L \sim 20$  m) with  $96 \text{ m} < z < 116 \text{ m}$ . It will also be possible to measure interactions ( $\sigma_{inel}$ ,  $N_{ch}$ ) of multi-TeV hadrons on hydrogen and carbon targets.

Invited (by Michael Schmitt) to write a White Paper  
For Snowmass EF06~ March 2022

Same region  $80 \text{ m} < z < 120 \text{ m}$   
as **FACET** (Hale Sert's talk yesterday)  
but that is for weak LLPs –  
This is for strongly interacting hadrons  
through beam pipe hole in dipole.

Needs hadron ID in TeV region:  
Transition Radiation Detectors ( $\sim 3 \text{ m}$  in  $z$ )  
being developed by A.Romaniouk group (ATLAS)

Not included in FACET (“off the shelf detectors”)

Cross sections high (SI) so mostly  
Low luminosity pp collisions (non-perturbative QCD)  
Heavy ion and p-A collisions

**ALICE?** (already has big pipe - new back window?  
or with **ATLAS?** CMS? **LHCb?**  
Or new collaboration: **“FORWARD”**

# Forward Hadron Spectrometer for LHC

**A new subsystem for an existing central experiment  
Or a new collaboration / ~ independent  
80– 125m downstream of any IR**

From

Forward Spectrometer meeting

16–17 Apr 2020  
CERN

A) Charged and neutral TeV hadron production spectra  
in  $p + p$ ,  $p + O$ ,  $O + O$  low pileup short runs.

Read out with full central detectors

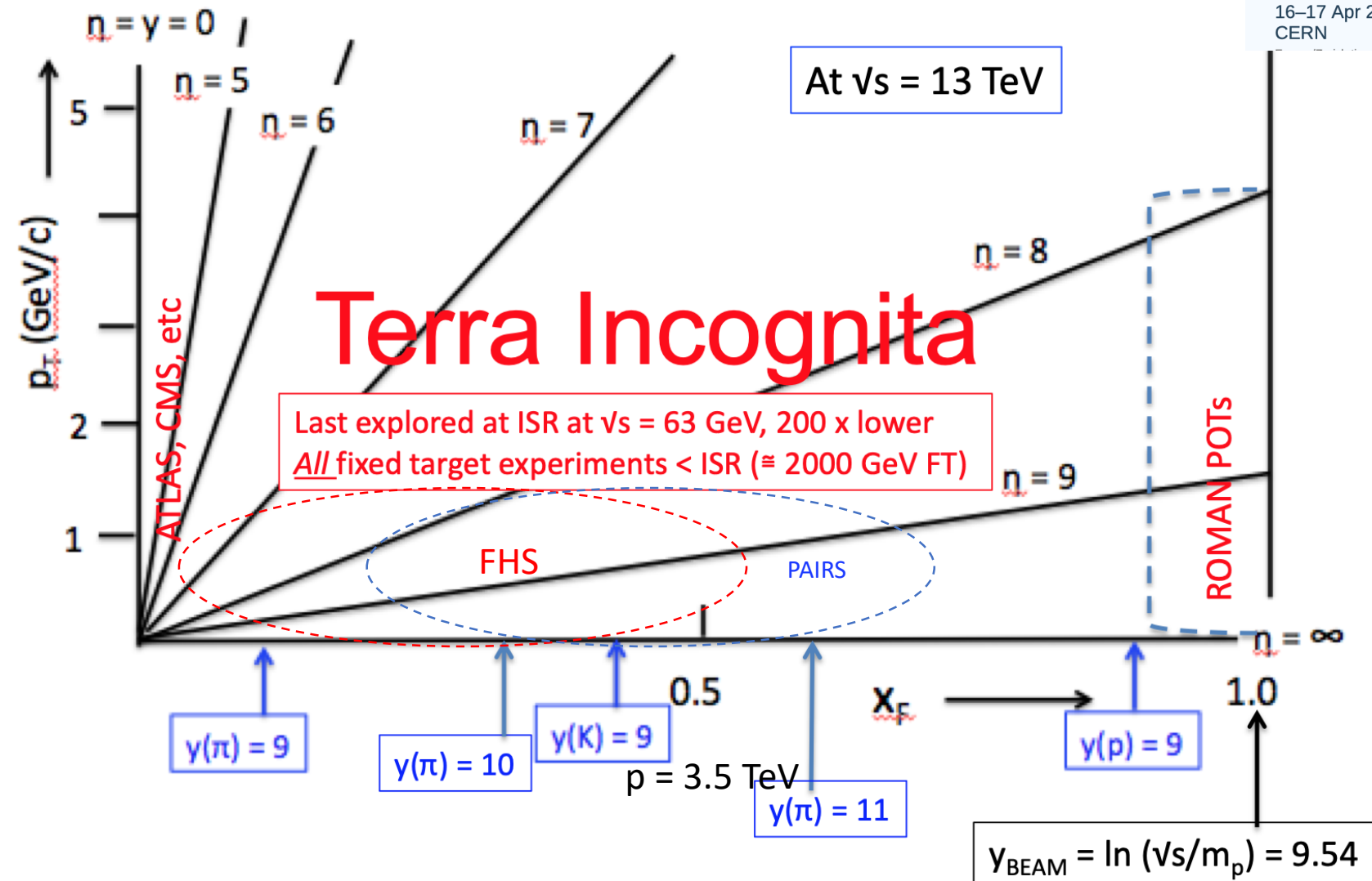
35 Tm spectrometer magnet D1 (will be) already there

**Large region of unexplored phase space above  $\sqrt{s} = 63$  GeV !**

Identified charged hadrons with  $[0.05 < x_F = p_z/p_{\text{beam}} < 0.9]$  not measured at LHC

Also pairs e.g.  $D^0 \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\pm$  and  $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow p \pi$  and  $\mu^+\mu^-$  etc.

Must be done at LHC before the end! Real estate is there:  **$80 \text{ m} < z < 120 \text{ m}$**



ZDC & LHCf measure neutrals ( $n + K_L^0$ ,  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ) at  $\theta \sim 0^\circ$ .

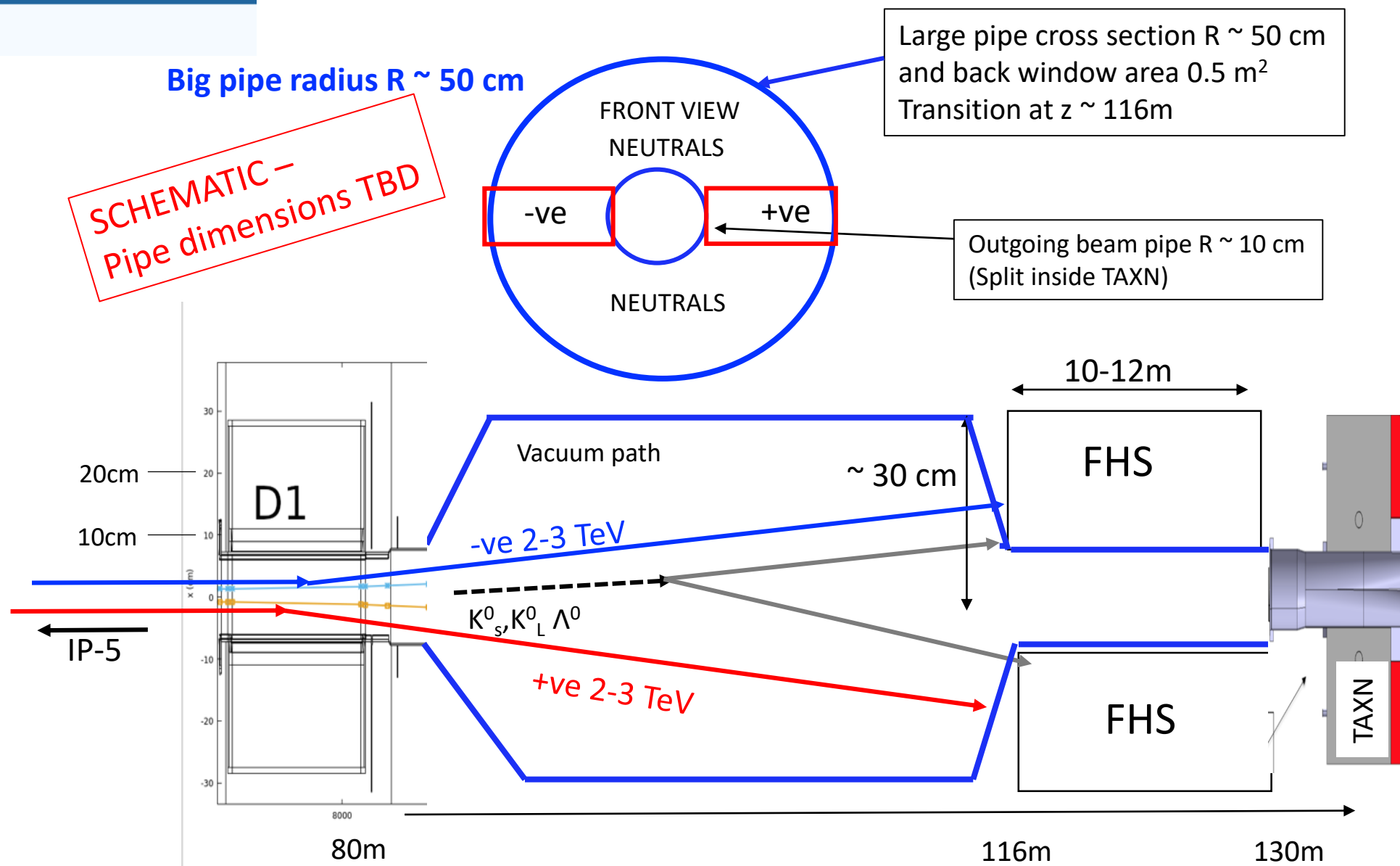
Region looking **along LHC tunnel**, beam separation dipoles & CMS way behind me.  
20 cm diameter straight pipe with both beams for 50 m. (Cladding)

**Make this pipe larger diameter: 20 cm – 60 cm**

Vincent Baglin's talk



## TOP (BENDING) VIEW



## FHS as a Multi-particle Spectrometer

Acceptance for 2 or more particles from same event. (If pile-up, timing can help)  
Positive and negative particles on R & L sides of pipe, near horizontal plane.

Acceptances calculated by Marta Sabate-Gilarte for some channels ...

Details will need to be calculated for real design of system – and backgrounds

Potentially:

$J/\psi, \psi(2S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ ,  $\chi_c \rightarrow J/\psi + \gamma$ , Drell-Yan  $\mu^+\mu^-$

$K_s^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $\Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-$ ,  $P^* \rightarrow n \pi^+$  ?

$D^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-$  ...  $\chi_c \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $K^+K^-$ , etc.

$\Lambda_c \rightarrow pK\pi$  ??

Very forward charm and beauty also inferred from single leading e or  $\mu$

Leptons can be identified : Track + EM calorimeter & muon chambers behind HCAL

Muons from  $\pi$ , K decay will be known, and their decay lengths are very long!

$\gamma c \tau (\pi) = 139 \text{ km at } 2.5 \text{ TeV !}$       **But abundant and - > forward HE  $\mu$ -neutrinos! (FASERv)**

$\gamma c \tau (K^+) = 18.5 \text{ km at } 2.5 \text{ TeV !}$

$\gamma c \tau (D^0) = 16.5 \text{ cm at } 2.5 \text{ TeV !}$

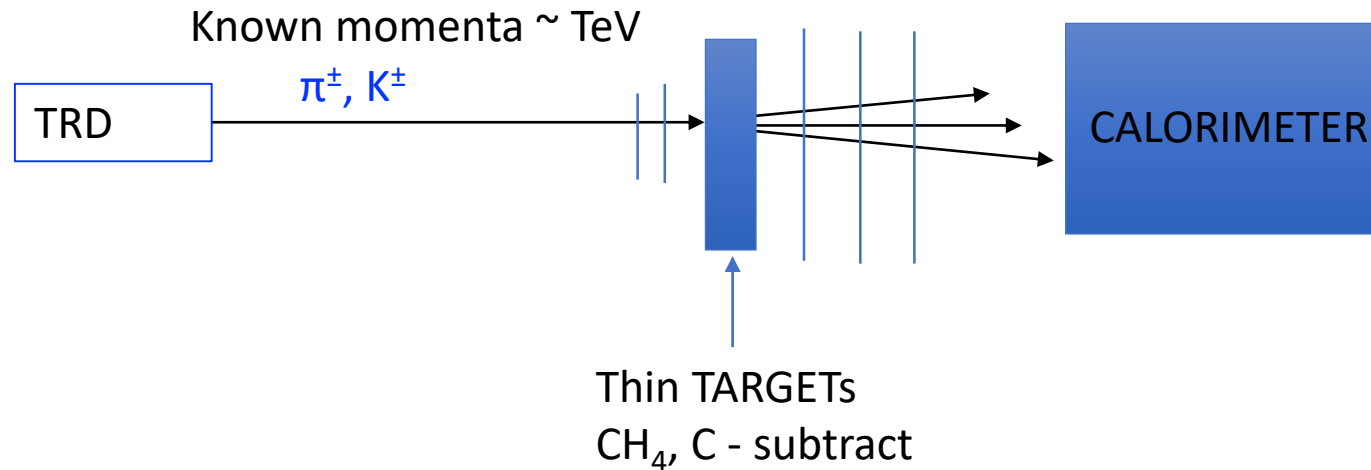
## ANOTHER POTENTIAL USE OF FHS:

### Inelastic (& elastic?) cross sections of multi-TeV $\pi^\pm$ , $K^\pm$ , etc.

IDEA:

Behind TRD-Tracker have multi-TeV identified  $\pi^\pm$ ,  $K^\pm$

Can put in front of calorimeter a thin target followed by short tracker:



Very simple addition:

$$\sigma_{\text{inel}}, N_{\text{ch}}, \sigma_{\text{el}},$$

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# Forward Hadron Spectrometers : Possible contents of Snowmass White Paper (March 2022)

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The **Forward Physics Facility** FPF is very different: penetrating particles (LLPs,  $\nu$ , etc.) so weakly interacting,  $z > 600$  m in new hall.

This could be a “**Nearer Forward Physics Facility**”: strongly interacting particles, QCD COMPLEMENTARY.  $Z = 80 - 120$  m but another place for  $\nu$  physics too? (emulsions behind  $300 \lambda_{\text{INT}} \text{ Fe}$ ) “Small experiments with small (new) collaborations”? No civil engineering needed ? But **Hot area!**

Experiments in FPF might want also a “near detector” (cf  $\nu$  experiments)



## Leadership opportunity!

I am busy with FACET LOI preparation & Snowmass WP for LLPs – also “retired”

Would one or two of you like to lead or co-lead the preparation of a White Paper (and beyond?)

- draft White Paper by March-April, final version June (?)
- Short meeting/workshop in Spring?

This is not specific to CMS : can be at any of 4 collision points.

Alice already has a big pipe – upgrade to allow this? Beyond ARP in ATLAS?? LHCb? CMS opposite side to FACET?

This could lead to a major program – **the low- $Q^2$  frontier of QCD** is rich in unknown physics

### Forward Spectrometer meeting

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<https://indico.cern.ch/event/868473/>

	<b>Beam pipe issues</b>	Vincent Baglin	
	CERN	14:30 - 15:00	
15:00	<b>Introduction to Mode A: Hadron spectra</b>	Michael Albrow	
	CERN	15:00 - 15:30	
	<b>Particle spectra, acceptances</b>	Marta Sabate Gilarte	
	CERN	15:30 - 16:00	
16:00	<b>Transition Radiation Detectors for hadron ID</b>	Michael Cherry et al.	
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	<b>Cosmic ray showers &amp; Forward hadrons</b>	Dr Tanguy Pierog	
	CERN	16:30 - 17:00	
17:00	<b>Way forward, plans</b>	Mike Albrow, all	
	CERN	17:00 - 17:20	
	<b>Next LHC forward physics meetings</b>	Christophe Royon et al.	
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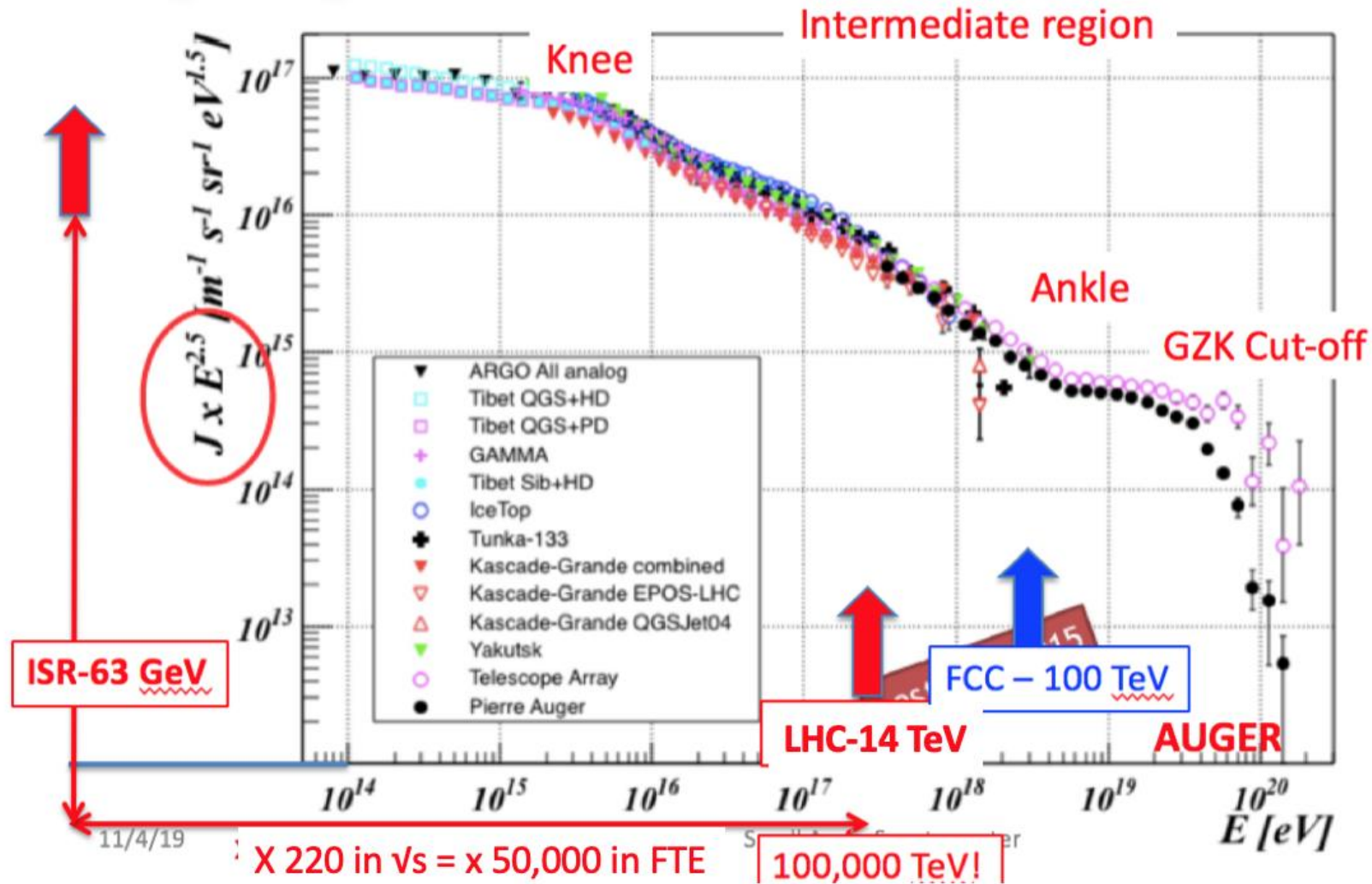
THANK YOU : DISCUSS!

Some additional slides -->

# Spectrum of high energy Cosmic Rays

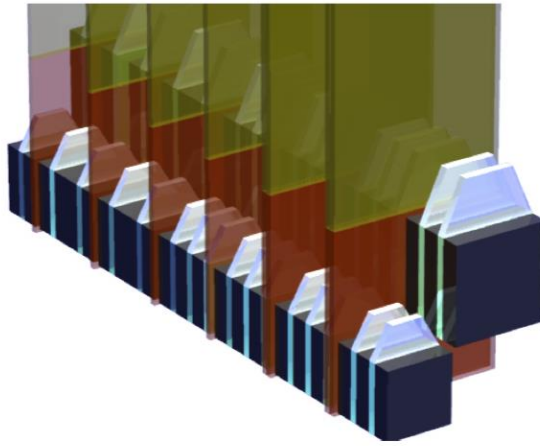
$$\phi(E) \times E^{2.5}$$

All particle spectrum



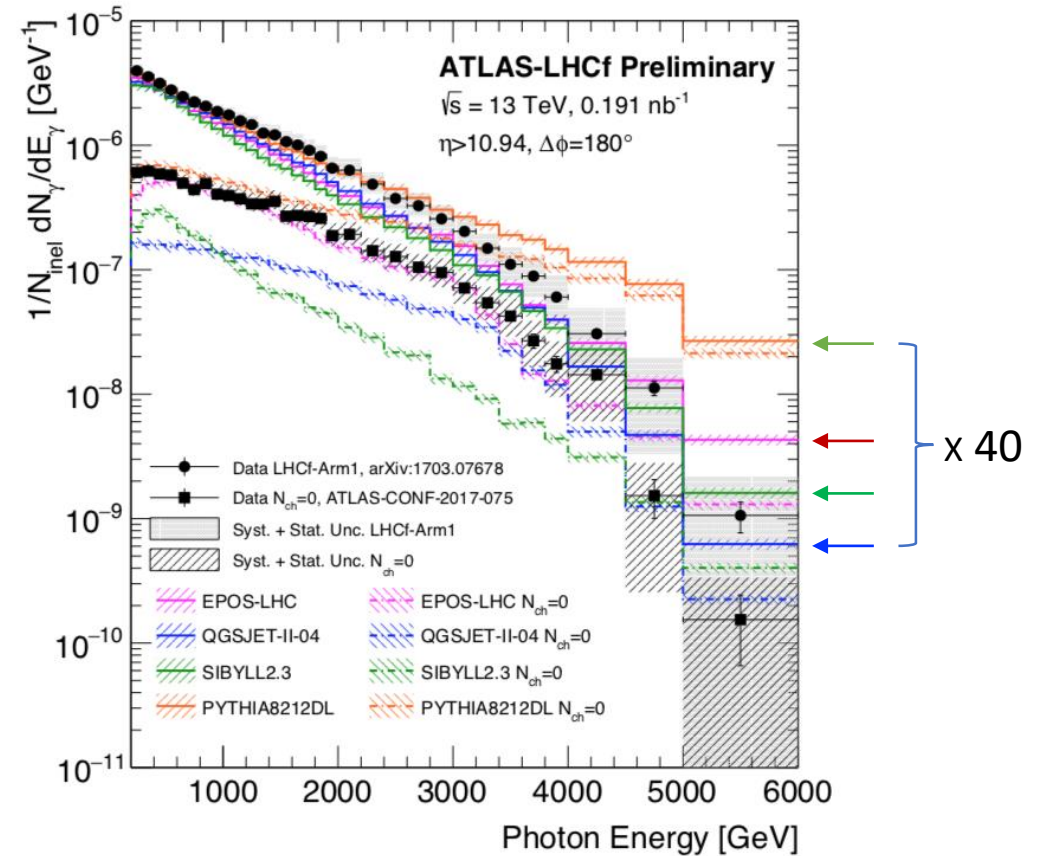
LHCf is a small  $0^\circ$  calorimeter measuring photon-like and n-like showers  
 Only  $1.6 \lambda_l$  and 4 cm in size,  $\sigma(E)/E \sim 40\%$  for neutrons.  
 Low-PU, High  $\beta^*$  runs

Huge spread in predictions  
 Tanguy Pierog's talk:



Arm 1: 2cm x 2cm & 4cm x 4cm  
 Arm 2: 2.5 x 2.5 & 3.2 x 3.2 cm

ZDC in CMS  
 $7 \lambda_l$  and 8cm x 10 cm  
 Must be smaller for Run 4  
 -include it for low-PU runs



With FMS we can measure spectra small  $p_T$  & up to  $p_z \sim 3$  TeV  
 of charged :  $\pi$ , K, p, d, t, (and anti-d,t) –  $\mu$   
 and neutral :  $\pi$ , K,  $\rho$ ,  $\varphi$ , n,  $\Lambda$ , .... &  $D^0 \rightarrow K-\pi$  (some acceptance)

ACCEPTANCE STUDIES  
 being done

## PHYSICS GOALS for L&R Charged particles (not complete!)

deuterons, tritons

Precise measurements of Feynman-x ( $x_F$ ) spectra at small  $p_T$  ( $< \sim 2$  GeV) of:

$\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $K^-$ ,  $p$ ,  $\bar{p}$ ,  $d$ ,  $\bar{d}$ ,  $t$ ,  $\bar{t}$ , ... possibly  $K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow p\pi$  (acceptance under study).

In  $p+p$  and  $p+O$  and  $O+O$  collisions (for cosmic ray showers in atmosphere)

—

Tanguy Pierog's talk

Intrinsic charm:  $p = \{uudcc\}$  giving leading  $D^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-$  &  $K^-\pi^+$

Full reconstruction challenging but  $\rightarrow$  forward muons

Other reconstruct-able particles:  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  (6%) ;  $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  (2.5%)

These are 'intrinsically' important + to understand  **$\mu$  and  $\nu$  in cosmic ray showers.**

Energy Frontier and Cosmic Frontier are two US-HEP priorities!

CAVEAT: Acceptance for 2-particle states still to be calculated

Production of light nuclei and **antinuclei – antiprotons, antideuterons, antitritons,  $\overline{\text{He}}^3$**

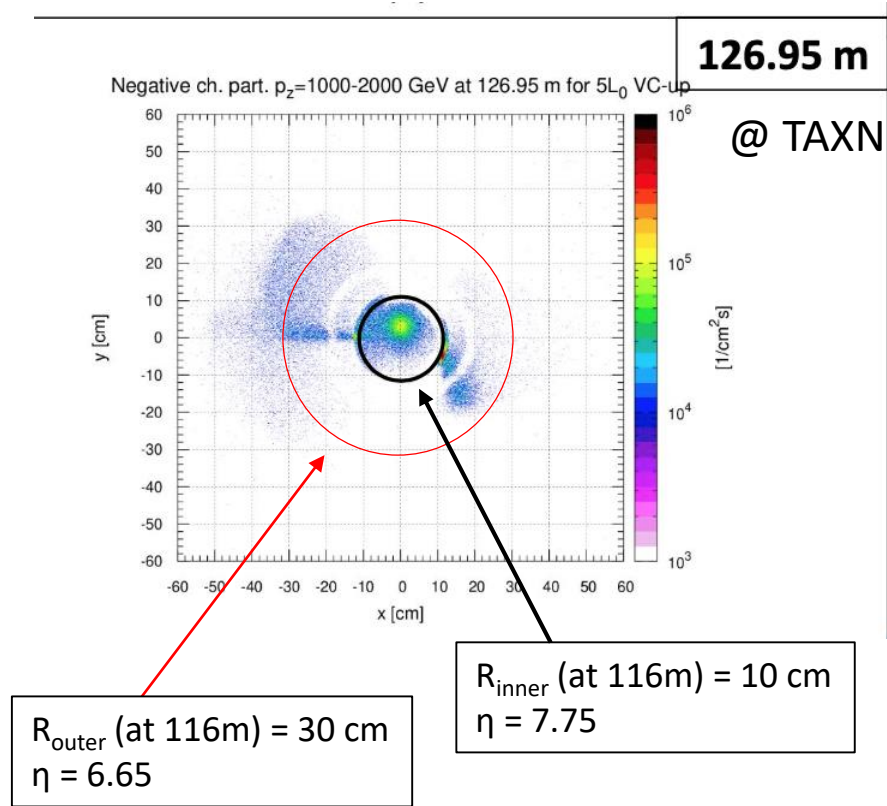
Needed to understand background to **Galactic Center  $\gamma$ -ray excess (Dark Matter Annihilation?)**

Diffraction dissociation – products, e.g.  $p \rightarrow n \pi^+$ ,  $p (\pi^+ \pi^-)$ ,  $\Lambda^0 K^+$

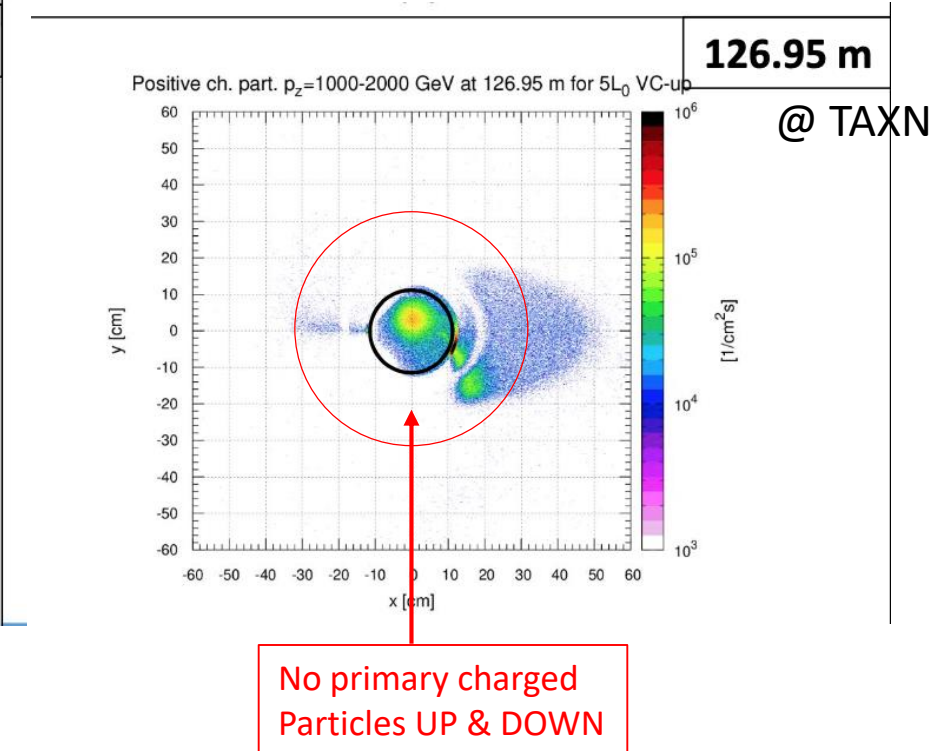
**Low  $Q^2$  frontier of QCD needs further understanding.**



## NEGATIVE particles 1 – 2 TeV (through D1 aperture)



## POSITIVE particles 1 - 2 TeV (through D1 aperture)



**HADRON spectroscopy in L&R quadrants  
in low pile-up short runs (Mode A)**

## Implications for the FCC = Future CERN Colliders

### 100 TeV pp and heavy ion colliders FCC

Designing such machines requires advanced knowledge of very forward very energetic particles.

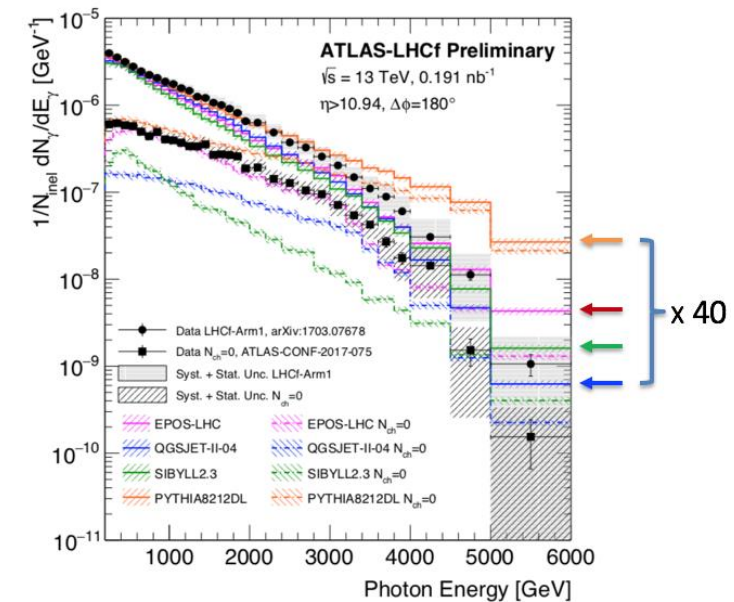
Beam particles hitting pipes and collimators etc.

Also particles produced in the collisions – all  $x_F$  (tens of TeV) and small angles ( $p_T$ )

Not only protons (dominant at high  $x_F$ ) and neutrons but also pions, kaons, etc.

We need these spectra, presently very uncertain!

So FCC will be a service to CERN's future FCC!





We can measure  $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$  ? Plot from Marta Gilarte (CERN)

