Zero Degree Calorimeter at the LHC

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Outline

ZDC in Heavy Ion Collisions at the LHC

Current ZDC design and performance at the LHC

R&D for future ZDC at the LHC (HL-LHC)



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- ≻ HL-LHC Run 4 (2029–)
 - □127m away from IP
 - Limited space at TAN (TAXN)

ZDC at ATLAS

EM, **HAD** sections

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RPD, reaction plane detector

ZDC Key Design Criteria

- ► Large dynamic range <1n, to ~100n
 - Clean separation between 0 and >=1n [diffractive vs hadronic]
 - **Good** γ /n separation
 - □ Provide trigger decisions
- ➢ 1n peak crucial for energy calibration
 - Beam energy neutron
- Measure spectator event plane angle
 - □Neutron orientation

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- ➢ Joint Zero degree Calorimeter Project

JZCaP

ATLAS and CMS

Zero Degree Calorimeter for HL-LHC

- Detector design
 - **D**Electromagnetic [EM] section
 - **Hadronic** [HAD] section
 - **Reaction Plane Detector[RPD]**
- Operation requirement
 - □Single piece structure
 - Easy access patch panels
- ➢ Specs
 - **4**6mm X 766mm
 - **1**20-125 kg

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Zero Degree Calorimeter for HL-LHC

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25 tungsten plates

 [42mm X 120mm X 4mm]

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RPD section

- □ "Pan flute" design
- Fused silica core and polyamide buffer
- □4X4 [X-Y] segmentations
- □ Machine learning algos
- \Box Hamamatsu R2496 [ϕ 10mm]
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Wavelength [nm]

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Things Not Covered

PMT considerations

- □ Radiation hardness, diameter, rising time
- LED gain monitoring system
 - Online calibrations
- ➢ HL-LHC integration
 - □ Installation, RP
- Experiment integration
 - Readout, DAQ, DCS, monitoring
 - Software

Summary

ZDC is important to overall Heavy Ion program at LHC

- **D**Better energy resolution and γ /n separation
- □ Reaction Plane Detector for neutron orientation measurement
- Radiation hard and compact ZDC design for HL-LHC
 - □ Radiation tolerance for increased luminosity in Run 4
 - Compatible with TAXN modification

Beam tests

- **2**018, 2019, 2021
- Well defined schedule