Gamma Factory and precision physics at LHC

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PRECISION MEASUREMENT OF STANDARD MODEL PARAMETERS AT LHC

W-boson mass measurement



ATLAS 2023: improvement by ~15% of ATLAS 2017 M_w measurement with the same data, i.e. 2011 run at centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV.

W-boson mass measurement

- ► ATLAS precision target: δM_W = 5 MeV → δM_W/M_W < 0.01% (e.g. M. Boonecamp, Conference "Physics at LHC", Krakow, 3–8 July 2006)</p>
- Recent measurements:
 - CDF: M_W = 80433.5 ± 6.4 (stat.) ± 6.9 (syst.) MeV
 - ATLAS: M_W = 80360 ± 5 (stat.) ± 15 (syst.) MeV
- Main observables (final-state neutrino not detected):
 - charged-lepton transverse momentum p_{T,I}
 - leptons transverse mass m_T

(a) - Charged lepton transverse momentum





Differences between Tevatron and LHC



Flavour decomposition W and Z bosons in pp and $p \overline{p}$ collisions [%]

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LHC



- **Tevatron** \rightarrow distributions:
 - $y_{W^+} + y_{W^-} \sim y_Z$ (V \leftrightarrow A couplings)
 - $p_{T,W^+} + p_{T,W^-} \sim p_{T,Z}$ (quark flavours)
 - Most of QCD/PDF uncertainties cancel in ratios of (W⁺ + W⁻) to Z distributions!
- □ LHC the above not true!
 - High precision theory predictions needed, particularly for *p*_{T,W}!

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Possible ways to reduce systematic uncertainties at LHC

Observables for simultaneous unfolding of partonic emittances and

Standard Model parameters (W⁺, W⁻ and Z boson production):

M.W. Krasny, S. Jadach, WP, Eur. Phys. J. C 44 (2005) 333.
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Measurements of SM parameters are based on observables with reduced sensitivity to experimental systematic errors (e.g. calibration of lepton momenta) and to theoretical uncertainties of perturbative and non-perturbative QCD.

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Unconstrained PDF degrees of freedom for pp collisions at LHC

✤ Assuming s(x) = $\overline{s}(x)$, c(x) = $\overline{c}(x)$, b(x) = $\overline{b}(x)$:

- 5 sea-quark flavours (u,d,s,c,b) + 2 valence-quark flavours (u,d,) = 7 unknown PDFs
- 4 constraints coming from measurement of precision observables
- > 7 4 = 3 degrees of freedom in flavour-dependent PDFs remain unconstrained at LHC: $U_v(x) d_v(x)$, c(x) s(x), b(x).
- Precision of δM_W < 12 MeV cannot be achieved at LHC in pp runs (even in HL-LHC phase)
 - Missing external input: Tevatron data + dedicated muon-nucleon DIS experiment, e.g. at COMPASS (CERN)
- Similar conclusions for sin²θ_W and Γ_W
 □ Note: in order to match δM_W ~ 5 MeV, one needs δ(sin²θ_W) ~ 10⁻⁴ (indirect determination of M_W → consistency test of SM). 8

Measurement of $sin^2\theta_W$



- > Most precise measurement from electron-positron colliders LEP/SLD: $\delta(\sin^2\theta_w) = 1.6 \times 10^{-4}$
- Precision at hadron colliders by factor more than 2 worse (the best from Tevatron).
- > Main **limiting** factor at **LHC**: **PDF** uncertainty of $\mathbf{u}_v \mathbf{d}_v$.

Isoscalar ion beams



u and d quarks have
different electric charges,
weak isospin and vector and
axial couplings.
For EW-physics: proton
beams are equivalent to
beams of neutrinos and
electrons mixed in not
precisely known proportions.

In addition, relative distributions of valence and sea \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{d} quarks determine the effective W/Z boson polarisation. Proton beams \rightarrow polarisation cannot be precisely controlled.

Isoscalar ion beams (# of protons = # of neutrons: A = 2Z) profit from flavour symmetry of strong interactions to equalize distributions of u and d quarks:

$$u_{v,s}^{A=2Z,Z}(x,k_t,Q^2) = d_{v,s}^{A=2Z,Z}(x,k_t,Q^2)$$

Significantly **higher precision** in measuring **EW processes** by using **isoscalar-ion** rather than proton beams at LHC

Uncertainty reflecting the limited knowledge of the partonic composition of protons and isoscalar ions in measurement of R_{WZ}(p_{T,I},η_I) observable (precision-optimised method). *M.W. Krasny, F. Fayette, WP, A. Siodmok, EPJ C51 (2007) 607.*



Isoscalar beams provide a unique way for improving the present precision of SM parameters, such as M_W , $\sin^2\theta_W$, ... at the LHC!

High-statistics (> 100 fb⁻¹) data from isoscalar-beam collisions needed!

How to get such a luminosity at LHC?

□ M.W. Krasny, A. Petrenko and WP, *Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys.* 114 (2020) 103792.

> For nucleon-nucleon luminosity of 1000 fb⁻¹: $\delta M_W < 5$ MeV, $\delta(sin^2 \theta_W) < 10^{-4}$ 11

GAMMA FACTORY

Gamma Factory studies

The Gamma Factory proposal for CERN[†]

[†] An Executive Summary of the proposal addressed to the CERN management.

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We acknowledge the crucial role of the CERN **PBC** framework in bringing our accelerator tests, GF-PoP experiment design, software development and physics studies to their present stage!

Gamma Factory beams



- Include atomic beams of partially stripped ions in the LHC menu.
- Collide them with laser pulses (circulating in Fabry-Pérot resonators) to produce beams of polarised photons and secondary beams of polarised electrons/positrons/muons, neutrons and radioactive ions.



Extraordinary properties GF photon source

1. Point-like, small divergence:

 $\blacktriangleright \Delta z \sim I_{PSI-bunch} < 7 \text{ cm}; \Delta x, \Delta y \sim \sigma^{PSI}_{x}, \sigma^{PSI}_{y} < 50 \text{ }\mu\text{m}; \Delta(\theta_{x}), \Delta(\theta_{y}) \sim 1/\gamma_{L} < 1 \text{ }mrad$

2. Huge jump in intensity:

> More than 7 orders of magnitude w.r.t. existing (being constructed) γ-sources: up to 10¹⁸ γ/s

3. Very wide range of tuneable energy photon beam:

> 10 keV – 400 MeV – extending by a factor of ~1000 the energy range of FEL photon sources

4. Tuneable polarisation:

Polarisation transmission from laser photons to γ-beams of up to 99%

5. Unprecedented plug power efficiency (energy footprint):

LHC RF power can be converted to the photon beam power. Wall-plug power efficiency of the GF photon source is by a factor of ~300 better than that of DESY-XFEL (assuming power consumption: 200 MW at CERN and 19 MW at DESY)

Tertiary beams' sources – intensity/quality targets

- Polarised positrons potential gain of up to a factor of 10⁴ in intensity w.r.t. the KEK positron source, satisfying both the LEMMA (for muon collider) and the LHeC requirements; → A. Apyan, M.W. Krasny and WP, *Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams* **26**, 083401 (2023).
- ▶ Pions potential, gain by a factor of 10³, gain in the spectral density ($d^2N/dpdp_T$) with respect to proton-beam-driven sources at KEK and FNAL \rightarrow *PRAB* **26**, 083401 (2023).
- > <u>Muons</u> potential gain by a factor of 10³ in intensity w.r.t. the PSI (Villigen, Switzerland) muon source, charge symmetry (Nµ⁺ ~ Nµ⁻), polarisation control → *PRAB* **26**, 083401 (2023).
- Neutrinos fluxes comparable to the proposed NuMAX (FNAL) but: (1) Very Narrow-Band Beam, driven by the small spectral density pion beam and (2) unique possibility of creating flavour and CP-tuned beams driven by the beams of polarised muons.
- Neutrons potential gain of up to a factor of 10⁴ in intensity of primary MeV-energy neutrons per 1 MW of the driver beam power.
- Radioactive ions potential gain of up to a factor of 10⁴ in intensity w.r.t. e.g. ALTO (Orsay).

Examples of potential applications domains of Gamma Factory research tools

- Particle physics: precision QED and EW studies, vacuum birefringence, Higgs physics in γγ collision mode with laser-cooled ion beams, rare muon decays, precision neutrino physics, QCD-confinement studies, …
- Nuclear physics: nuclear spectroscopy, cross-talk of nuclear and atomic processes, GDR, nuclear photo-physics, photo-fission research, gamma polarimetry, physics of rare radioactive nuclides,...
- Atomic physics: highly charged atoms, electronic, muonic, pionic and kaonic atoms, ...
- Astrophysics: dark matter searches, gravitational waves detection, gravitational effects of cold particle beams, ¹⁶O(γ,α)¹²C reaction and S-factors ...
- Fundamental physics: studies of the basic symmetries of the universe, atomic interferometry, ...
- Accelerator physics: beam cooling techniques, low-emittance hadronic beams, plasma wake field acceleration, high-intensity polarised positron and muon sources, beams of radioactive ions and neutrons, very narrow band and flavour-tagged neutrino beams, neutron sources, …
- Applied physics: accelerator driven energy sources, nuclear fusion research, medical isotope and isomer production, ...

Gamma Factory Proof-of-Principle (PoP) experiment at SPS



Purpose of GF SPS PoP experiment



LASER COOLING OF HIGH-ENERGY ION BEAMS

Doppler laser-cooling of stationary atoms



Six "red-detuned" laser beams (optical molasses)



A stationary atom sees the laser neither red- nor blue-shifted and does not absorb the photon.

An atom moving away from the laser sees it red-shifted and does not absorb the photon.

An atom moving towards the laser sees it blue-shifted and absorbs the photon, slowing the atom.

The photon excites the atom, moving an electron to a highe quantum state.

The atom re-emits a photon. As its direction is random, there is no net change in momentum over many absorption-emission cycles.

Doppler laser-cooling methods of high-energy beams





Beam cooling speed: the laser **wavelength** band is chosen such that only the **ions** moving in the **laser-pulse direction** (in the bunch rest frame) can resonantly **absorb** photons. Opens a possibility of forming at CERN hadronic beams of the required **longitudinal** and **transverse emittances** within a seconds-long time scale.

Beam emittance: is the volume in the phase space occupied by the particle beam. The space is 6-dimensional (x, x', y, y', W, ϕ) but are important the projections in the 3 dimensions: transverse emittance in x and y $(\varepsilon_x, \varepsilon_y)$ and longitudinal emittance $(\Delta W, \phi)$.

Liouville theorem: under the action of linear forces, the beam emittance is constant. (BUT: in presence of non-linear forces, it increases). Consequence: in an accelerator, where non-linear forces are often present, the emittance will progressively increase.



Gamma Factory path to high-luminosity LHC

$$\mathscr{L} = f \frac{n_1 n_2}{4\pi \sqrt{\epsilon_x \,\beta_x^* \,\epsilon_y \,\beta_y^*}}$$

Two complementary ways to increase collider luminosity:

- **1.** Increase the focusing strength: β^*
- **2.** Reduce the beam emittance: $\varepsilon_{\mathbf{X}}$
- Both

A **low-emittance** particle beam is the beam where **particles** are confined within **small distances** and have nearly the **same momentum** vectors – **cold beams**.



Levelled luminosity: 2.5 (5) \times 10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹, cost ~ 1 billion euro



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Review

High-luminosity Large Hadron Collider with laser-cooled isoscalar ion beams *****

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GF scheme of reducing transverse beam emittance

- Produce highly-charged-ion bunches (partially stripped ions) with existing CERN ion source.
- 2. Leave a few electrons attached to their parent nuclei for SPS acceleration phase (in the canonical SPS heavy-ion operation all electrons are already stripped off).
- 3. Cool atomic beams with specialised laser system at the top SPS energy to reduce its emittance (longitudinal and transverse cooling).
- 4. Strip electrons in SPS-to-LHC transfer line.
- 5. Accelerate and collide fully stripped ion beams in LHC.

Gamma Factory path to HL(AA)-LHC: A concrete implementation scheme with Ca beams



Ion Source + LINAC 3: charge state after stripping: Ca¹⁷⁺



Reduction of transverse (x, y) emittances by a factor of 5 can be achieved in 8 seconds – sufficiently short to avoid Ca¹⁷⁺ beam losses in SPS.

Optical stochastic cooling time for Ca beam, if necessary, at the top energy ~ 1.5 hours (V. Lebedev).

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1–2		
0.15		
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Simulation of laser cooling of lithium-like Ca¹⁷⁺ bunches in SPS – input parameters

Ion beam	$^{40}Ca^{17+}$
$m - ext{ion mass}$	37.21 GeV/c^2
$E-{ m mean~energy}$	$7.65 { m TeV}$
$\gamma_L = E/mc^2$ mean Lorentz relativistic factor	205.62
N – number ions per bunch	4×10^9
σ_E/E – RMS relative energy spread	2×10^{-4}
ϵ_n – normalised transverse emittance	$1.5\mathrm{mmmrad}$
σ_x – RMS transverse size	$0.80\mathrm{mm}$
σ_y – RMS transverse size	$0.57\mathrm{mm}$
σ_z – RMS bunch length	$10{ m cm}$
Dispersion function	$2.44 \mathrm{\ m}$
Laser	pulsed Ti:Sa (20MHz)
λ – wavelength ($\hbar\omega$ – photon energy)	768 nm (1.6 eV)
σ_{λ}/λ – RMS relative band spread	2×10^{-4}
U - single pulse energy at IP	$2\mathrm{mJ}$
σ_L – RMS transverse intensity distribution at IP ($\sigma_L = w_L/2$)	$0.56\mathrm{mm}$
σ_t – RMS pulse duration	$2.04\mathrm{ps}$
$ heta_L$ – collision angle	$1.3 \deg$
Atomic transition of ⁴⁰ Ca ¹⁷⁺	$2s \rightarrow 3p$
$\hbar\omega'_0$ – resonance energy	$661.89~{\rm eV}$
τ' – mean lifetime of spontaneous emission	$0.4279 \ {\rm ps}$
$\hbar \omega_1^{\max}$ – maximum emitted photon energy	271 keV

Table 1: Parameters of the calcium-beam cooling configuration in the SPS.

Simulation of laser cooling of lithium-like Ca¹⁷⁺ bunches in SPS: laser pulse tuning





Horizontal positions and momenta of ions interacting with pulse of first laser in momentum-dispersive region (black dots – excited ions, blue dots – non-excited ions). Shift of laser pulse by 1.4 mm provides optimal coupling of horizontal betatron oscillations to synchrotron oscillations (dispersive coupling, I. Lauer *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 81 (1998) 2052). 17% of all ions are excited in each bunch crossing!

Momentum and longitudinal

positions of the ions interacting with the photon-pulse of the **second laser**. The laser pulse focal point is aligned with the ion beam centre, but its **frequency** band is **shifted** to excite the **higher-momentum** ions.

Merits of cold isoscalar beams

- Impact of modelling uncertainties of partonic emittances (longitudinal and transverse) on achievable measurement precision can be drastically reduced and controlled by LHC data alone (no precision brick-walls coming from LHC-external data, PDFs, and PS models).
 - Significantly higher systematic precision in measuring SM parameters (M_W, sin²θ_W, ...) than for proton beams.
- Z⁴ leap in photon fluxes access to exclusive Higgs boson production in photon–photon collisions – unreachable for the pp running mode.
- **3. Lower pile-up background** at the equivalent (high) nucleonnucleon luminosity.
- 4. New research opportunities for the EW-symmetry breaking sector.

Leap in photon fluxes – access to exclusive Higgs-boson production in photon–photon collisions – beyond reach of pp running mode

Factor of **Z**⁴ gain in **photon-photon luminosity**







For collected nucleon-nucleon luminosity of 1000 fb⁻¹, expected number of exclusively produced Higgs bosons in photon-photon collisions is ~420 per experiment \rightarrow unique possibility for studies of

$$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow H \rightarrow b\overline{b}$$

in clean environment.

Higgs boson production in photon-photon interactions with proton, light-ion, and heavy-ion beams at current and future colliders

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CONCLUSIONS

Gamma Factory in general

- Gamma Factory can create, at CERN, a variety of novel research tools which could open novel research opportunities in a very broad domain of basic and applied science.
- Its "quest for diversity of research subjects and communities" is of particular importance in the present phase of acceleratorbased research, as we neither have any solid theoretical guidance for a new physics "just around the corner", accessible by FCC or ILC/CLIC, nor an established "reasonable-cost" technology for a leap into very high-energy "terra incognita".
- The Gamma Factory research programme can be largely based on the existing CERN accelerator infrastructure – it requires "relatively" minor infrastructure investments.

Gamma Factory for HL-LHC

- HL(AA)-LHC with laser-cooled isoscalar ion beams appears to be attractive option to significantly enlarge research potential of LHC.
- Achievable nucleon-nucleon luminosities in HL-LHC modes:
 L_{NN} in pp mode 2.5 5 × 10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹
 L_{NN} in AA mode ~ 4 × 10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹
 Optimal running-time sharing: 2/2 in pp mode 1/2 in AA mode

Optimal running-time sharing: 2/3 in pp mode, 1/3 in AA mode.

- Of particular importance, if no new phenomena are discovered over initial phase of HL(pp)-LHC operation.
- It provides also a new way to maximise partonic luminosities at future high-energy frontier hadron colliders, such as FCC-hh.

BACKUP SLIDES

Sources of uncertainties in M_w measurements

ATLAS 2023

Obs.	Mean	Elec.	PDF	Muon	EW	PS &	Bkg.	Γ_W	MC stat.	Lumi	Recoil	Total	Data	Total
	[MeV]	Unc.	Unc.	Unc.	Unc.	A_i Unc.	Unc.	Unc.	Unc.	Unc.	Unc.	sys.	stat.	Unc.
p_{T}^ℓ	80360.1	8.0	7.7	7.0	6.0	4.7	2.4	2.0	1.9	1.2	0.6	15.5	4.9	16.3
m_{T}	80382.2	9.2	14.6	9.8	5.9	10.3	6.0	7.0	2.4	1.8	11.7	24.4	6.7	25.3

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Table 2. Uncertainties on the combined M_W result.

Source	Uncertainty (MeV)
Lepton energy scale	3.0
Lepton energy resolution	1.2
Recoil energy scale	1.2
Recoil energy resolution	1.8
Lepton efficiency	0.4
Lepton removal	1.2
Backgrounds	3.3
$p_{\rm T}^Z$ model	1.8
p_T^W/p_T^Z model	1.3
Parton distributions	3.9
QED radiation	2.7
W boson statistics	6.4
Total	9.4

Collisions of **deuteron** (isoscalar) beams at **LHC** > Main uncertainties:

Systematic ξ	Expected precision [%]	ΔM [MeV]
$``u^{(\mathrm{v})} - d^{(\mathrm{v})}"$	0.2	< 5
" $s - c$ " $\mathcal{L}_{int} = 2.5 f b^{-1}$	2	25
" $s - c$ " $\mathcal{L}_{int} = 25 f b^{-1}$	0.7	8
"b" $L_{int} = 50 fb^{-1}$	40	< 10

 $(L_{int} - dd \text{ luminosity}, L_{NN} = 4L_{int})$ A. Siódmok, PhD thesis, 2010.

Gamma Factory photon source: intensity leap

<u>Requirements</u>: Accelerated bunches of ~10⁸–10⁹ partially stripped atoms, delivered with ~20 MHz frequency, ~5 mJ laser photon pulses stacked in 20 MHz Fabry-Perot resonator



Novel technology:

Resonant scattering of laser photons on ultra-relativistic atomic beam

Potential Gamma Factory role in the incremental, sustainable and multi-disciplinary development of the research infrastructure at CERN



High-intensity (MW) photon beams



→ Would require 500 such turbines (one every 200m) along the FCC ring

Best use of the CERN expertise to produce rather than buy the plug-power:

GF photon-beam-driven energy source (ADS)

Satisfying three conditions;

- requisite power for the present and future CERN scientific programme
 operation safety (a subcritical reactor)
- efficient transmutation of the nuclear waste (very important societal impact if demonstrated at CERN – given its reputation)





APS April Meeting 2023 Minneapolis, Minnesota (Apr 15-18)

M06 Invited Accelerate Solving Energy Crisis: From Fission to Fusion Room: MG Salon F - 3rd Floor Sponsor: DPB FIP Chair: Christine Darve, European Spallation Source Invited Speakers: Hamid Ait Abderrahmane, Mieczyslaw Witold Krasny, Ahmed Diallo, Alireza Haghighat

Electron beam for ep collisions at LHC

(in the ATLAS, CMS, ALICE and LHCb interaction points)



Atomic beams can be considered as **independent electron** and nuclear beams as long as the incoming proton scatters with the momentum transfer q >> 300 KeV! Opens the possibility of collecting by each of the LHC detectors over one day of the $Pb^{81+}-p$ operation the effective ep-collision luminosity comparable to the HERA integrated luminosity in the first year of its operation (1992) – in-situ diagnostic of the emittance of partonic beams at the LHC!



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Electron beam for LHC

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Editors' Suggestion

Collimation of partially stripped ions in the CERN Large Hadron Collider

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Atomic traps of highly-charged "small-size" atoms



Opening new research opportunities in atomic physics:
• Highly-charged atoms – very strong (~10 ¹⁶ V/cm) electric
field (QED-vacuum effects)
Small size atoms (electroweak effects)
Hydrogen-like and helium-like atomic structure
(calculation precision and simplicity)
Atomic degrees of freedom of trapped highly-charged
ions can be resonantly excited by lasers
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Gamma Factory twisted photons



Resonant scattering of plane-wave and twisted photons at the Gamma Factory

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Gamma Factory path is restricted to a narrow range of nuclei

- lon source. 1
- 2. Space-charge tune shift
 - ~ $Z^2 N_{ion} / A \gamma_1^3$.
- Electron stripping pattern. 3.
- Laser constraints. 4.
- 5. Lifetime of atomic beams in SPS.
- 6. Intra beam scattering (IBS):

 $\alpha_{\text{IBS}}^{A} = Z^{3}/A^{2} \alpha_{\text{IBS}}^{p}$

Beam collimation: $\xi_{x,y} = \frac{r_0 N \beta_{x,y}^*}{2\pi \gamma \sigma_{x,y}^* (\sigma_x^* + \sigma_y^*)}$ 7.

- 8. Beam-beam parameter.
- 9. Parasitic beam burning: e^+e^- production $\sim Z^7$ and nucleus dissociation ~ $[(A - Z)Z^{3}/A^{2/3}]$.

Ca²⁰⁺ beam turns out to be the best candidate for HL(AA)-LHC "parton carrier" – it has a stable isoscalar isotope and maximises photon-photon **luminosity** in **AA** collisions.



Lower pile-up background at equivalent (high) partonic luminosity

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$$\nu_{AA} =
u_{pp} imes rac{\sigma_{AA}}{\sigma_{pp}} imes A^{-}$$



 $N_{pile-up}$ (pp) ~ N_{coll} , $N_{pile-up}$ (AA) ~ $N_{part}/2$ (stripping-off of soft partons and nucleus surface) Reduction of the average number of beam-particle collisions per bunchcrossing at the same partonic luminosity by a factor of 40, **136**, 650 and 1260 for O-O, **Ca-Ca**, Xe-Xe and Pb-Pb collisions – opens a possibility of studying **exclusive processes**.

Reduction of the multiplicity of soft, **pile-up** particles – opens a possibility to run the LHC detectors (trackers) at **higher partonic luminosity** w.r.t. HL(pp)-LHC.