



Highlights of the 3rd edition of the Sustainable High Energy Physics Workshop 2024

Indico

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Human activities throughout the years have caused global warming

→ Temperatures increasing by **1.5°C or higher** in the next decades.

→ **Greenhouse gas emissions** across various sectors.

→ Countries contributing least to the climate change are most **vulnerable** to its impact.

→ **Climate-resilient** development strategies.

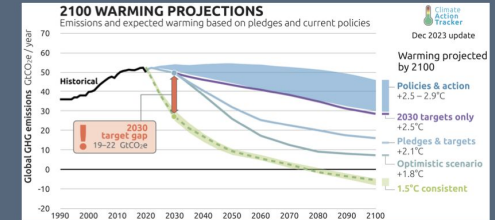
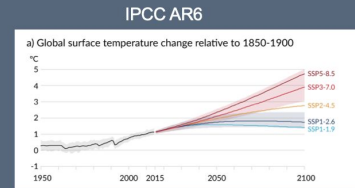
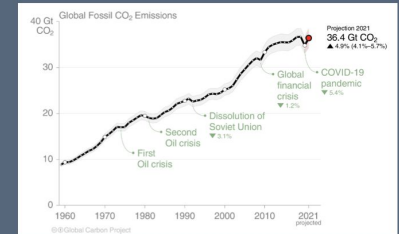
→ Raising **awareness, international cooperation** in reducing inequality.

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Climate Change: an emergency

- UK parliament first to approve a motion to declare an “environment and climate emergency” on 1st May 2019
- Of the top 10 GHG emitters, only Japan, Canada and the EU have **legally** binding target of “net zero emissions by 2050 (2045)”
 - **The pandemic was a blip (lessons)**
- IPCC 2015 Paris agreement: aim to stay “below 2°C” so focus on 1.5 °C
 - NDC: Countries make pledges for how to achieve this (and then increase those pledges over time)
 - Climate Action Tracker: “With all target pledges, including those made in Glasgow, global greenhouse gas emissions in 2030 will still be around twice as high as necessary for the 1.5 °C limit”



Ice ages: ~ -5°C
+4°C: civilization breakdown...

Overview



- Workshop held from **10 - 12 June** - [Indico](#)
- 233 registrants from 31 countries with 87 peak online presence
- 30 presentations with 8 plenary talks and 22 contributed talks on current and future developments in HEP
- Workshop was recorded for assisting people to participate across time zones

2021, 2022

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The 3rd edition of the [Sustainable High Energy Physics \(HEP\) workshop](#), will take place Monday 10th through Wednesday 12th June from 14:00 to 17:30 CET. Within three half-days, this **free, online-only** workshop aims to present the intersection of HEP and the climate, to highlight the sustainable initiatives ongoing in HEP, and to workshop with attendees on positive tangible outcomes. The program will consist of invited talks, panel discussions, workshops and submitted talks accompanied by a discussion forum on Mattermost.

Registration open!

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10 - 12 JUNE 2024
14:00-17:30 CET
ONLINE VIA ZOOM

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Major Contributors in HEP



Greenhouse gases are primarily emitted from accelerator and detector construction and operations, computing, travel and food choices.

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Emissions from accelerators: construction

Potential future of energy frontier: **FCC** (ee then hh)

- ~100 km tunnel, caverns, buildings, roads, etc.

Concrete needed for the tunnel, which means (Portland) cement!

Half of emissions from Portland clinker (**ref**)

Ken Bloom and my rough calculation:

- ~260k tonnes of CO₂ emissions

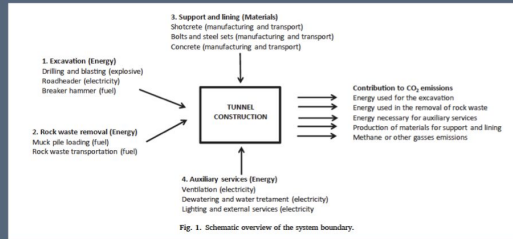
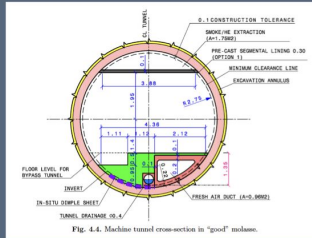
Paper on emissions from road tunnels:

- Lowest estimate: **~500k tonnes CO₂ emissions**

Comparison: Using **report** for CO₂e for construction of buildings: = building 8 London Shards!

1.4% of CH CO₂e emissions (2016)

Plant 6 million trees!



BREAKING DOWN THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF COMPUTING

Embodied vs use-stage

Carbon footprint vs broader environmental impacts

Computing vs storage

Energy bill of a data centre:

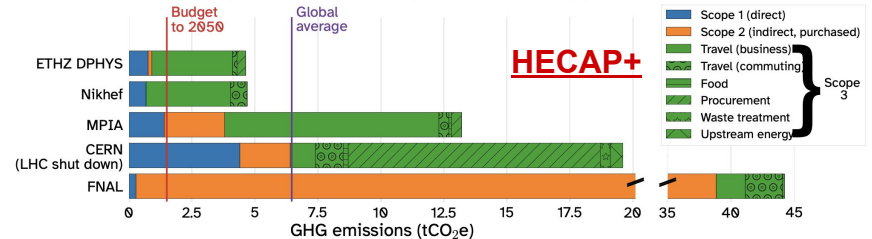
- 50% servers
- 10% storage
- 40% overheads (cooling)

Storage
~10 kgCO₂e/TB/year

Don't store useless data

L. Lannelongue

Self-reported annual workplace emissions, per researcher



2019 data, save MPIA (2018), and ETHZ business travel (average 2016-2018).

Workshop Format



- Three plenary sessions with **invited talks**, two **non HEP talks** and **one industry talk**
- **Contributed talks** on diverse topics
- **Know Your Footprint workshop**

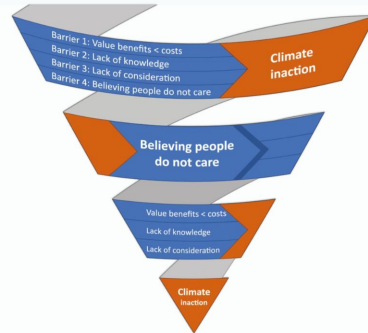
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
<p>Keynote Speech on Climate Change <i>Prof. Jyoti K Parikh</i></p>	<p>Overview on Sustainable Accelerators <i>Prof. Masakazu Yoshioka</i></p>	<p>Industrial scale involvement on sustainability development (ARUP) <i>Suzanne Evans</i></p>
<p>Intersection of HEP and the Climate <i>Prof. Veronique Boisvert</i></p>	<p>Contribution from the IOP PABG - Sustainable Accelerator R&D in the UK <i>Dr. Ben Shepherd</i></p>	<p>Best Practices in HECAP+ (High-energy, Cosmology, Astro (Particle) Physics) <i>Dr. Ayan Paul</i></p>
<p>Computational Science and Sustainability <i>Dr. Loïc Lannelongue</i></p>	<p>Psychology of Climate Change <i>Dr. Thijs Bouman</i></p>	<p>Workshop</p>
<p>Session A : Computation Detectors in HEP experiments</p>	<p>Session A : Accelerators</p>	
<p>Session B: Climate Crisis Mitigation efforts in non-HEP fields</p>	<p>Session B: Large Scale facilities in HEP</p>	



- Psychology is one of the driving factors for taking steps to support sustainability.
- **Acknowledging** the reality of the climate crisis.
- **Involve** in **design, development** and **implementation** for sustainable research goals.

Why “so little” action?

- Are we lying?
- Lack of knowledge
- Lack of capabilities
- Value conflicts
- Value instantiations
- Misperceiving others



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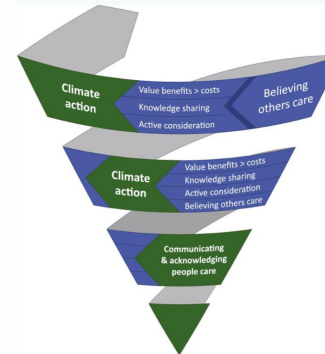
References: [Bouman, Steg & Perlaviciute, 2021](#); [Bouman, Van der Werff, Perlaviciute & Steg, 2021](#);



How to increase action

T. Bouman

- Address the relevant motivations
- Reduce big costs
- Enable & increase opportunity
- Increase knowledge & assist
- **Increase Awareness**



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References: [Bouman, Steg & Perlaviciute, 2021](#); [Bouman, Van der Werff, Perlaviciute & Steg, 2021](#);



See also [T. Kuhr](#) (Belle II), [Y. Coadou](#) ([Labos 1Point5](#), [Talk](#)), [S. Renner](#) (Scientists as Climate Activists), [D. Horan](#) (Future of Particle Astrophysics meetings), [S. Wagner](#) ([A4E](#))

Sustainable Accelerators - Life Cycle Assessment



Life Cycle Assessment for large scale accelerator facilities -

- Crucial in **analysing** and **reducing** carbon footprint at every stage of the project.
- Techniques to **recover** and **reuse** thermal energy, disposed materials and focus on technology transfer.
- Collaborate with **local communities**.

(1) **LCA**: Future accelerators must be assessed for sustainability during their **life cycle**, including construction, operation, and decommissioning, to meet the global goal of carbon neutrality by 2050.



From construction to operational phase

- Stopping global warming is an urgent task for the entire human.
- To achieve this goal, we should aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to practically zero by 2050.
- Currently, the concept of **Life Cycle Assessment** is based on **all industries**, such as (for example) automobiles, metal production, cement production, civil engineering and construction, agriculture, forestry, and fisheries, etc.
- **Accelerators are no exception**, and their CO₂ emissions should be assessed on a life cycle basis.

M. Yoshioka

Waste Heat Usage

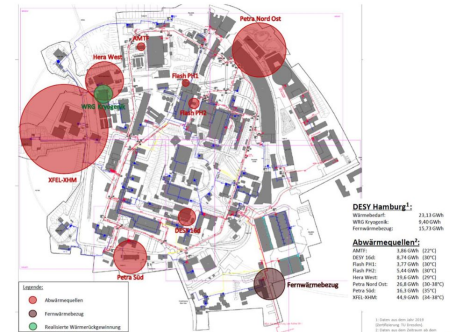
Potential at DESY Campus in Hamburg

- Project with University of applied science in Hamburg (HAW) to identify potential
- Result: 129 GWh/y of waste heat available at a temperature level of 30°C - 40°C
- Possible CO₂ savings at DESY campus of about 4,000 tons/y
- Surplus can be used in neighborhood; if we get the 129GWh in use saving will be up to 40,000 tons CO₂/y

HELMHOLTZ RESEARCH FOR GRAND CHALLENGES

Andrea Klumpp | Sustainable HEP 2024 - 3rd edition | 11.06.2024

A. Klumpp



SUSTAINABLE DESY



See also **N. Bunijevac** (Cooling Infrastructure, CERN)

Designing eco-friendly accelerators



- Novel accelerator technologies to **improve performance** and **reduce energy consumption**
 - Thin films RF, efficient permanent magnets, cool copper colliders
- Innovate for Sustainable Accelerating Systems ([iSAS](#)) focusing on Superconducting RF cryomodule ([Talk](#))

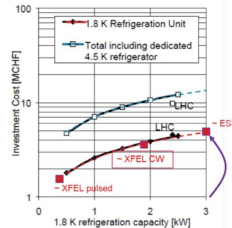
Thin Films: impact on cost and energy usage

B. Shepherd

- Capital costs:
 - Cooling to 1.8 K represents **35-40%** of the total →
- Operating costs:
 - Combination of Carnot efficiency (thermodynamic limit) and refrigerator efficiency (technological limit)

$$\eta_c = \frac{T_{cold}}{T_{hot} - T_{cold}}$$

	1.8 K	4.2 K
η_c	0.6%	1.4%
η_{th}	15-20%	25-30%



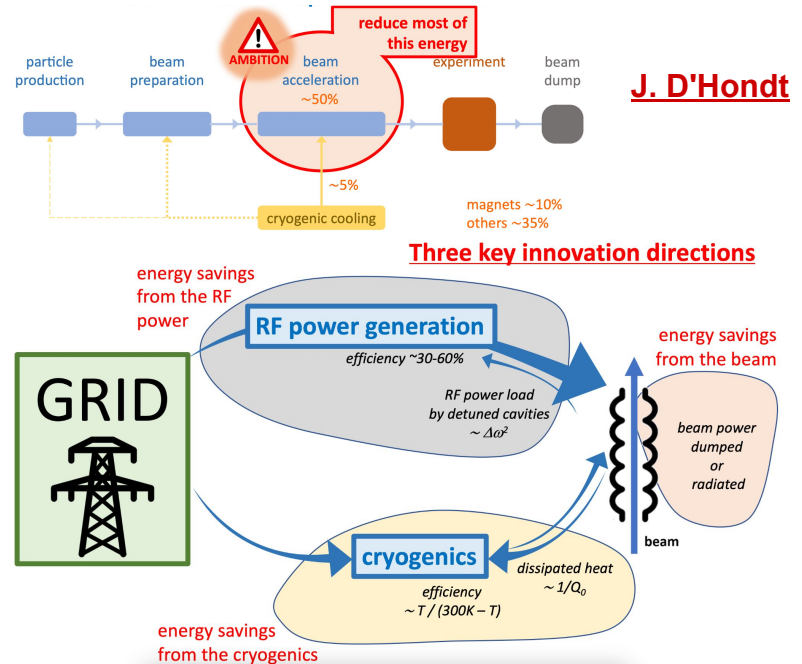
- **3x lower cooling power at 4.2 K**
- Approx annual figures for an 8 GeV SC linac



Ben Shepherd • Sustainable Accelerators • SusHEP x IOP PAB, June 2024

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See also [D. Ntounis](#) (Cool Copper colliders, [Talk](#)), [G. Burt](#) (RF), [T. Roser](#) (ICFA Strategy), [G. Hallewell](#) (Green Cherenkov detectors, [Talk](#))



Future Colliders



Colliders such as ILC, CLIC, CEPC, ISIS-II are actively incorporating sustainability goals

- Life Cycle Assessment, new technologies to increase efficiency and reduce carbon footprint

S. Evans

ARUP

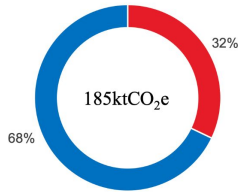
Construction and operation carbon

CLIC Drive Beam

Operational estimates provided by CERN. Based on a projected electricity mix in 2050 (50% nuclear, 50% renewables).

380GeV

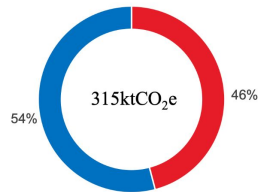
Construction GWP is equivalent to 1.7 decades of running accelerator



■ A1-A5 Construction (tunnel: 11.47km)
■ Operation over 8 years

1.5TeV

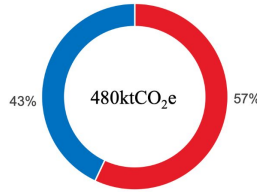
Construction GWP is equivalent to 0.8 decades of running accelerator



■ A1-A5 Construction (tunnel: 17.56km)
■ Operation over 7 years

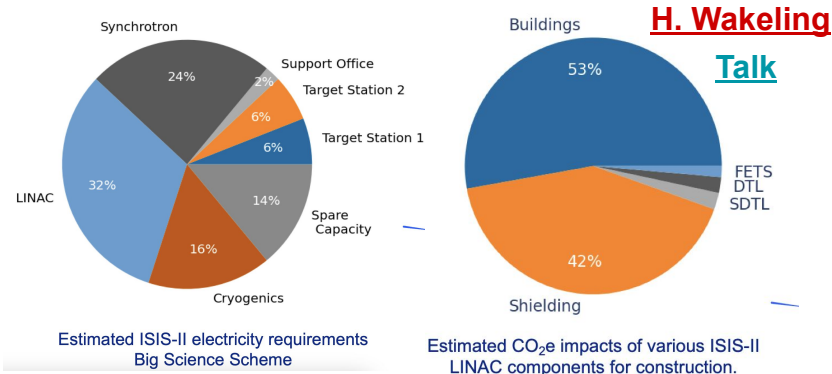
3TeV

Construction GWP is equivalent to 0.6 decades of running accelerator



■ A1-A5 Construction (tunnel: 21.08km)
■ Operation over 8 years

See also **R. Ge** (Energy recovery and reuse for Accelerators)



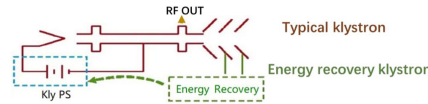
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Talk

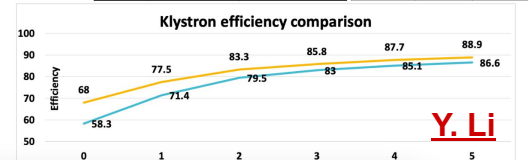
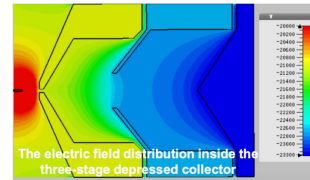


Energy recovery by decelerating the used beams

- CPI (USA) has developed multiple models of multi-stages decelerating collector klystrons
- CEPC will carry out the researches as well
 - Theoretical studies of efficiency v.s. collection stages for normal and high-efficient klystrons
- Many research institutes in Japan, UK and so on has conducted similar efforts.



CEPC high efficiency klystron prototype H.V. 113kV Cur. 9.5A			CEPC first prototype H.V. 81.5kV Cur. 15.3A		
Coll. Qty	Coll. Eff.	Kly. Eff.	Coll. Qty	Coll. Eff.	Kly. Eff.
0	0.0%	68.0%	0	0.00%	58.3%
1	29.8%	77.5%	1	31.4%	71.4%
2	47.7%	83.3%	2	50.9%	79.5%
3	55.6%	85.8%	3	59.2%	83.0%
4	61.4%	87.7%	4	64.3%	85.1%
5	65.2%	88.9%	5	67.9%	86.6%



Y. Li

GHG Emissions from Detectors



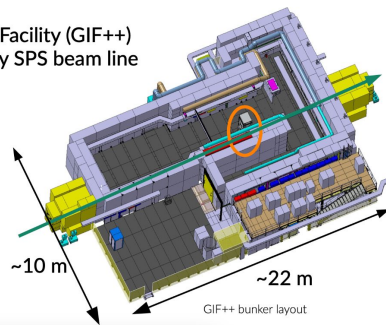
Gases used for particle detection, especially in the muon spectrometer systems (78% are **fluorinated gases**) → Released in the atmosphere, **costly to recycle**.

Eco-friendly gas mixtures → Ongoing efforts for ANUBIS, ATLAS RPC system

L. Quaglia

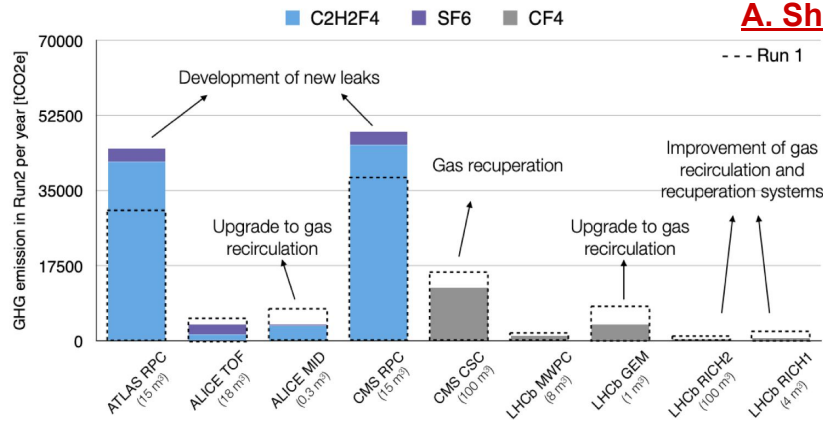
The RPC ECOGas@GIF++ collaboration

- Cross-experiment collaboration to join forces and perform aging/beam test studies with eco-friendly gas mixtures for RPCs
→ Includes CMS, ALICE, ATLAS, SHIP/LHCb and the detector technology group of CERN
- Studies carried out at the CERN Gamma Irradiation Facility (GIF++)
→ Experimental facility located on the H4 secondary SPS beam line
- **12.5 TBq ¹³⁷Cs source**, high activity allows one to simulate long operating periods in much shorter time spans (**aging studies**) – irradiation can be modulated by means of attenuation filters (absorption factors)
- **High energy (~150 GeV/c) muon beam** in dedicated beam time periods



See also **O. Brandt** (Muon Scattering Tomography with RPCs)

A. Shah



Short term

Long term

Gas Recirculation

- Optimization of current technologies
- Particular attention to operation
- Improve control and monitoring

Gas Recuperation

- Pressure Swing
- Membrane separation
- Cryogenic/Cold separation

Alternative Gases

- C₂H₂F₄
- SF₆
- CF₄
- ... etc.



- Computing in HEP comes at a cost, data centers emit ~126 Mt of carbon dioxide per year.
- Processing data smartly, using efficient software.

Use your hardware as long as possible! B. Brüers

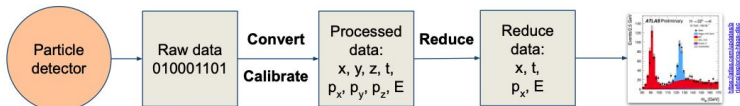
- **Also production matters for CO2e!**
 - 75% for a PC
 - 50% for a server
- **Use hardware as long as possible!**
 - Replace/fix failing parts
- **But: new hardware may be more efficient! → Trade-off**
- **Construct "old hardware" computing centers running only on green energy?**



13-inch MacBook Pro life cycle carbon emissions

73%	Production
7%	Transport
19%	Use
<1%	End-of-life processing

• Trade off between transforming / storage → "smart" transformations



- Reusing existing data is efficient → has led to several surprises in the past
- **Smart transformations for easy, long-term access of data → FAIR principles**

GREEN ALGORITHMS 4 HPC

L. Lanelongue

<https://github.com/GreenAlgorithms/GreenAlgorithms4HPC>

Let us know if you try it!

See also A. Oyanguren (Real time data analysis, LHCb)

Green Algorithms4HPC
Green Algorithms



Interactive session and discussion about **personal** and **professional** carbon footprint, insights about work-related travel, computing, carbon emissions dependent on experiments.

Know Your Footprint Calculator

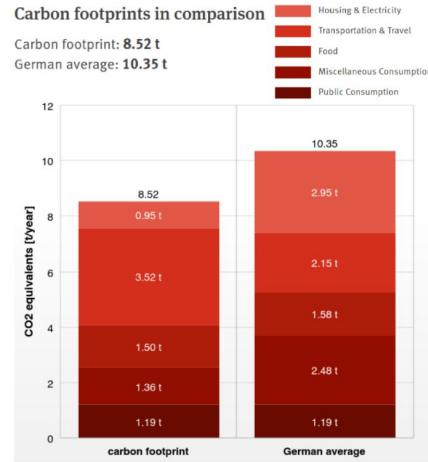
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- ▶ Know your footprint (Kyf) calculator → tool to estimate carbon emissions for researchers
 - Private emissions in Germany: [Carbon Calculator](#) by German Federal Environment Ministry (UBA)*
 - Professional emissions in HEP and related fields → split into 4 categories:
 - ⇒ Experiment
 - ⇒ Institute
 - ⇒ Computing
 - ⇒ Travel

- Each category configurable for an individual, i.e. for your individual research situation
- Investigate the impact of each category

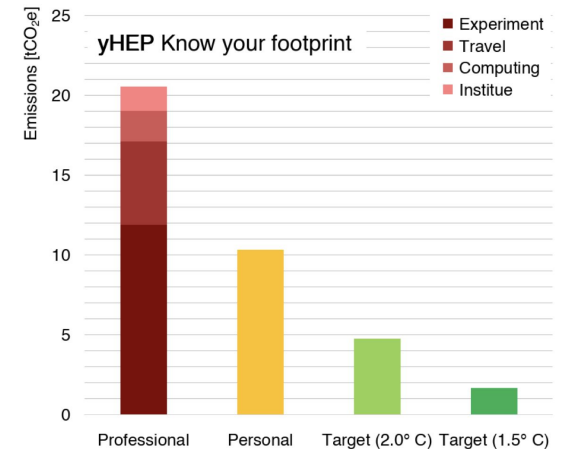
- ▶ Know your footprint calculator now live: [Kyf calculator](#)
- ▶ Paper discussing the basis of Kyf calculator available online on arXiv: [arXiv:2403.03308](#)

*Permission duly granted by UBA



N. Bhalla

Doctoral student (benchmark)



[Know your footprint](#)
[arXiv](#), [Talk](#)

Looking Ahead



Energy transition is possible, adhering to the goals of **IPCC**, but is **time sensitive** → highlighted by our keynote speaker, Prof. Jyoti Parikh.

Recommendations for reducing emissions classified into **individual, groups and institutions actions** (**HECAP+**)

See also **K. Shaw** (SDGs and Science), **A. Bender** (Renewable Energy at the South Pole)

Recommendations – Computing



Individual actions:

- Make sustainable personal computing choices by considering the necessity of hardware upgrades, the repurposing of hardware, and the environmental credentials of suppliers and their products.
- Assess and improve the efficiency and portability of codes by considering, e.g., the required resolutions and accuracy.
- Assess and optimise data transmission and storage needs.
- Follow best practice in open-access data publishing, prioritising reproducibility and limiting repeat processing.

Recommendations – Food



Individual actions:

- Reduce consumption of animal products, especially those that result in the highest emissions, e.g., ruminant meat, and dairy.
- Minimise food waste.



Further group actions:

- Prioritise plant-based options in conference catering, and optimise service method to reduce food waste.

Energy Transition

J. Parikh

- Due to uncertain availabilities, renewable energy transition requires a diversified mix of renewable sources and robust energy storage solutions to address intermittency.
- Significant investment is essential, and low or zero interest loan assistance can accelerate the transition in developing countries.
- Research and development of next-generation materials for batteries and storage technologies are required.
- Global cooperation is essential to achieve a unified and sustainable energy transition for all.

Energy Transition can be done
But would we do it in time?

A. Paul

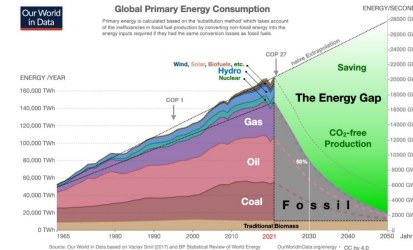


Figure 3.1: Global primary energy consumption is dominated by fossil fuels, the use of which has been increasing steadily despite repeated warnings from the climate change conferences of the United Nations (COP) dating as far back as 1995. Decreasing emissions by 50%, as recommended by the IPCC to avoid irreversible tipping points [64] (see blue line in Figure 1.1) creates a large energy gap that must be filled by additional climate-neutral power generation, or by energy savings and recuperation. Consumption was extrapolated linearly from 1965–2021 to account for additional demand from emerging countries. Left part of figure taken from Ref. [65], based on data from Refs. [68, 66], reused and adapted under the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International (CC BY 4.0) license.

consumption

CERN uses 1300 GWh of electricity annually.

This is the equivalent of what is used in a city of > 100,000 people in the USA

This is the equivalent of what is used in a city of > 600,000 people in Brazil

This is the equivalent of what is used in a city of > 2,00,000 people in India

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Overall positive reception by participants.

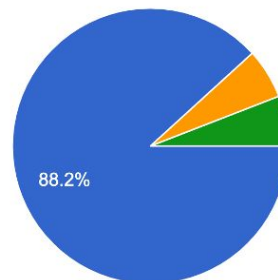
All talks by invited and contributed speakers were extremely well-received.

Future workshop suggestions -

- Extend the timetable to a **full day conference**
- **More time** and discussion allotted for talks
- Request for **no parallel sessions**
- **Panel Session** request - Efforts were made for this workshop, but unsuccessful considering the availability of panelists

Do you feel that the topics covered were useful to you?

17 responses



- Yes
- No
- Somewhat
- I came as a guest speaker and not a part of HEP regular activities.

Conclusion



- The workshop ([Indico](#)) was a great success and led to several **interesting discussions** and is currently ongoing in the [Mattermost](#) channel.
- Strive for increased **awareness** and **tangible outcomes** in the HEP community and highlight ongoing efforts related to **future developments** in the field.
- Work with **funding agencies** and **local communities** to make sustainability **accessible for everyone**.
- Work on an **individual level** in day-to-day life for the sake of our future generations.

We are looking for the next organizing committee for the 4th Sustainable HEP workshop!

Ideas are welcome!

Please contact hannah.wakeling@physics.ox.ac.uk if you are interested!

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Peter Millington - University of Manchester, UK

Ayan Paul - Northeastern University, USA

UK IoP Particle Accelerators and Beams Group (PABG) - [Joint Conference](#) on 11th June

Website Host: The John Adams Institute for Accelerator Science, Particle Physics Department of the University of Oxford.

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Warming strips , Ed Hawkins, University of Reading
<https://showyourstrips.info/>

1860

1890

1920

1950

1980

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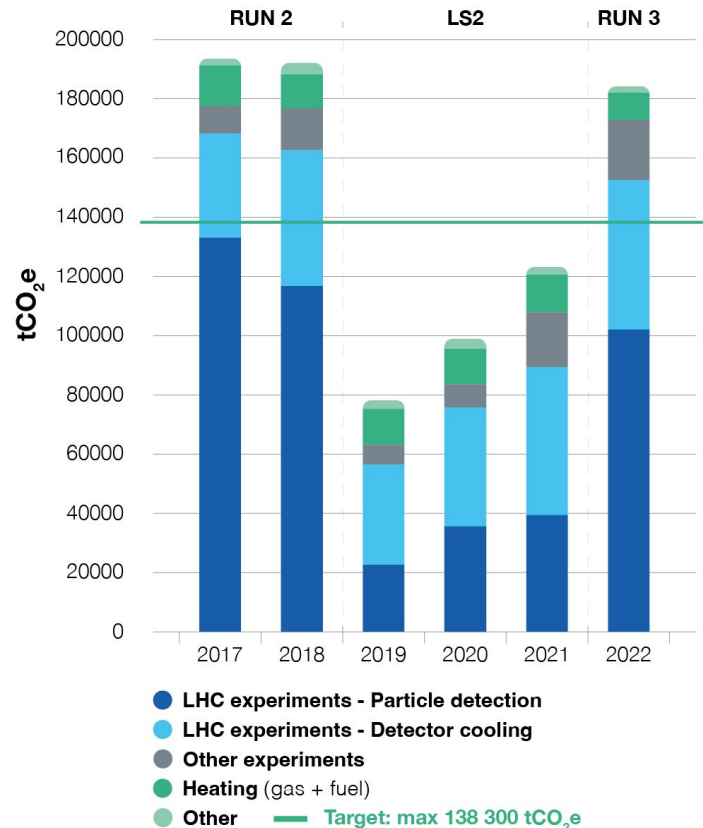
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GROUP	GASES	tCO ₂ e 2021	tCO ₂ e 2022
Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)	CF ₄ , C ₂ F ₆ , C ₃ F ₈ , C ₄ F ₁₀ , C ₆ F ₁₄	55 921	68 989
Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HFCs)	HFC-23 (CHF ₃) HFC-32 (CH ₂ F ₂) HFC-134a (C ₂ H ₂ F ₄) HFC-404a HFC-407c HFC-410a HFC-507	36 557	86 211
Other F-gases	SF ₆ , NF ₃	16 838	18 355
Hydrofluoroolefins (HFO)/HFCs	R-449 R1234ze NOVEC 649	86	199
	CO ₂	13 771	10 419
Total Scope 1		123 174	184 173



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