



Software for PED studies

# About Computing Resources

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# Recommendation from the mid-term review



*Full simulations studies with comparison of different options require considerable computing resources. We recommend focussing on a few key channels. We also recommend that appropriate computing resources are allocated at CERN*

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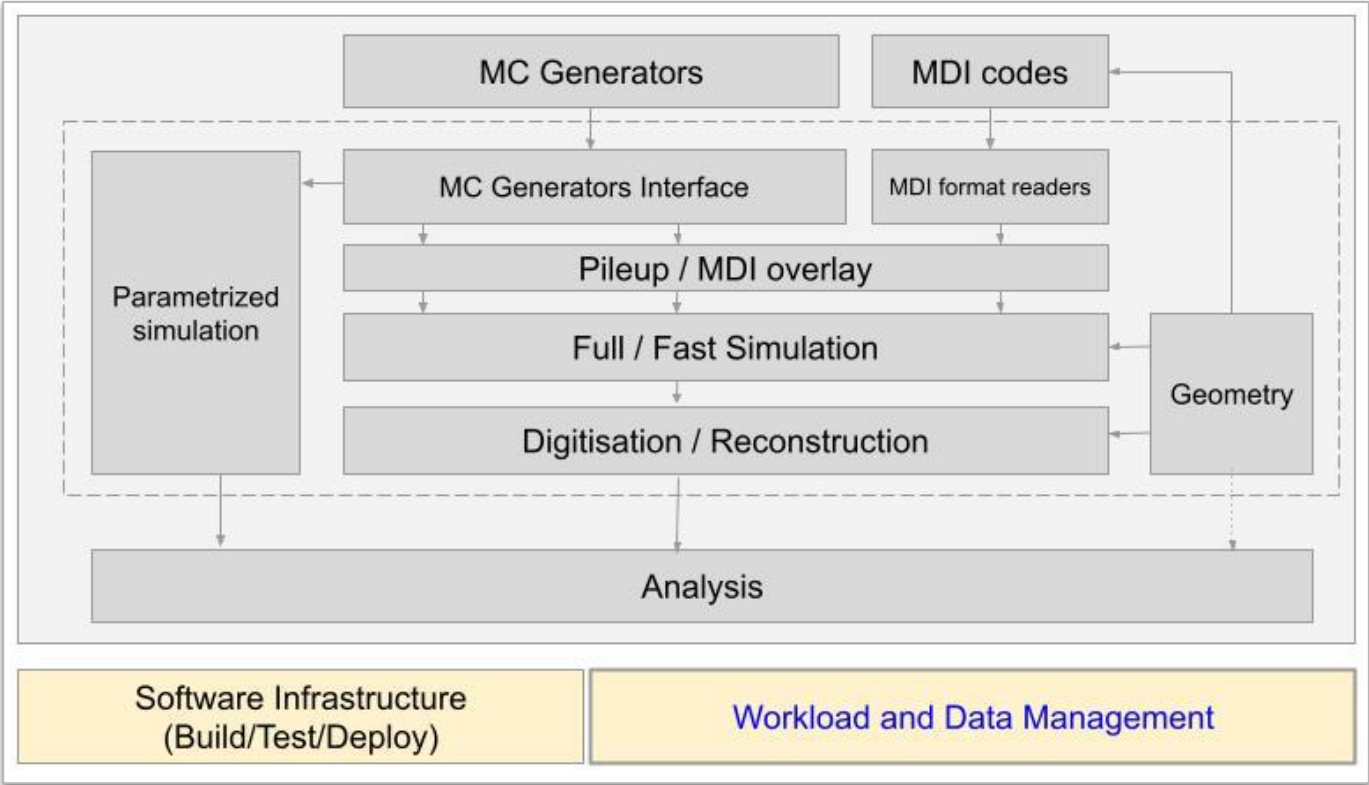
[Computing Resource Needs](#), 7th FCC Physics Workshop 2024, Annecy, France

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Today's talk reflects what has been included in the Feasibility Study Report

- Estimating the **needs for computing resources** requires assumptions which are difficult to get right, in particular when there are many moving targets
  - Data structures, detectors, tools, etc
  - Statistical needs
- Focus on two situations
  - Pre-TDR 2025-2027
    - Continuation of feasibility studies with development of detector concepts tested against a given set of benchmark measurements
  - Z run in 2045-2048 (4 equal years)
    - 4 frozen detectors, behaving  $\approx$ CLD (for storage and CPU)
      - Data evt sizes  $\approx$  MC evt sizes
      - All data on disk during initial analysis

# FCC Workflows

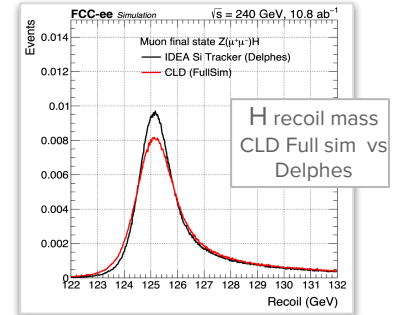


# Activities to support during pre-TDR



## ● Analysis

- Parametrized simulation for measurement feasibility
  - Provision of DELPHES samples
- Increasing number of full simulation and reconstruction analysis
  - Provision of fully simulated + default reconstruction samples for all available detector benchmarks
    - Ideally 1:1 correspondence w/ Delphes samples



## ● Sub-detector development/optimization

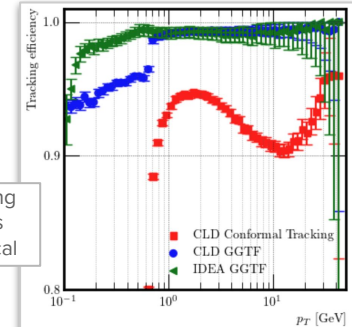
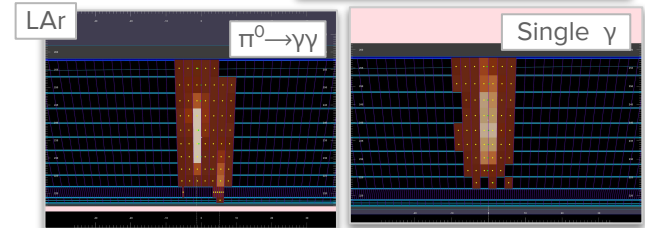
- Particle guns + samples of collision events

## ● Algorithm design/optimization

- Particle guns and specific-event enriched samples

## ● Activities might benefit from [access to accelerators](#) (GPU, ...)

- In particular those based on ML



# Current situation in terms of resources



- So far, most of the activities have been done on **CERN resources**
  - Storage: EOS volumes O(1 PB)
    - **600 TB (→900 TB)** for central productions
    - **100 TB** for analysis
  - Processing power
    - CPU: **~1000 cores (9000 HS06)** on lxbatch
    - GPU: some resources at CERN, EuroHPC

In 2024 this represents **about 1/1000** of what is available to LHC

# Modeling the resource needs



- **LHC developed models to quantify needs** to monitor the situation in view of HL-LHC and support request for funding
- For the LHC experiments
  - {detector, data formats, core algorithms, ...} frozen
  - Main unknown are the collected luminosity, the statistics of the MC samples, reprocessing needs, ...
- For **future projects** such as FCC
  - Target nominal luminosity known
  - **Many moving targets and unstructured activities**: number and type of detector concepts, data formats, algorithms, ...

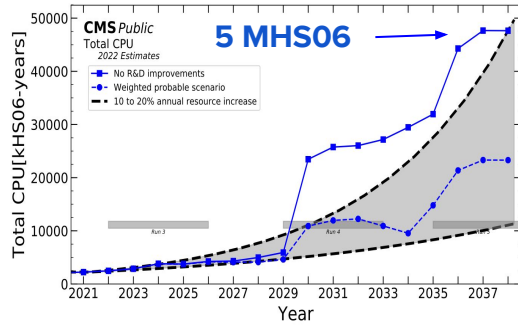
***Appropriate resources*** requires the determination of how much MC statistics is required to achieve the goals

# Projections of resource needs of HL-LHC

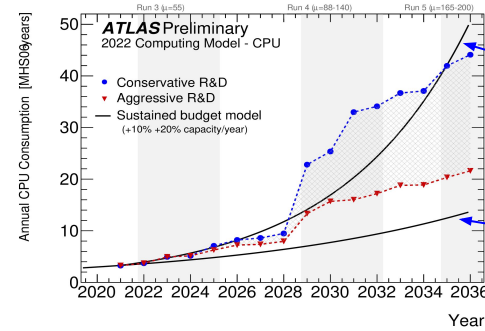


At LHC MC  $\approx$  Data

Processing power



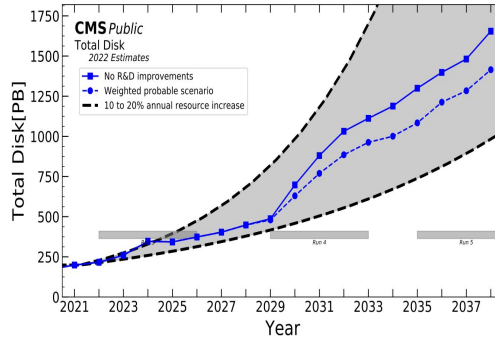
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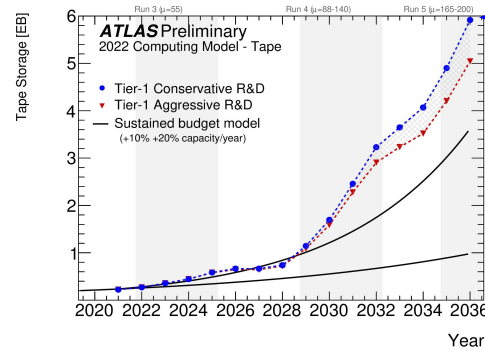
Pledged +20%

Pledged +10%

Storage



Better "use" of storage



6 EB

[CMS](#), [ATLAS](#)



# FCC-ee assumptions and baseline needs



- Integrated luminosities
  - Nominal: {205, 19.2, 10.8, 0.41, 2.65}  $\text{ab}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = \{88-94, 157-163, 240, 340-350, 365\}$  GeV
  - # of evts:  $6 \times 10^{12}$  visible Z decays,  $2.4 \times 10^8$  WW events,  $2.1 \times 10^6$  ZH events,  $2 \times 10^6$  tt events
- Baseline event sizes / processing time for hadronic evts at Z

Process	$E_{\text{CMS}}$ (GeV)	Sizes /evt		Processing time /evt	
		Delphes (kB)	Full <sup>1</sup> (MB)	Delphes (ms)	Full <sup>1</sup> (s)
Z→had, Z→l+l-	91.18	8.3 , 1.2	1.1 , 0.16	14 , 0.5	11 , 1.6
WW→all, l <sup>+</sup> νlν	157-163	9.5 , 1.2	1.3 , 0.16	16 , 0.5	13 , 1.6
HZ→nunubb, bbbb	240	8.9 , 13	1.2 , 1.8	15 , 23	12 , 18
ZZ → all	240	10	1.4	17	13
ttbar → all	365	18	2.3	30	23

<sup>1</sup> Measured for Z→ had, extrapolated for others

CERN OpenStack node used for tests: 16 cores, 32 GB RAM.  
CERN Openstack Core = 10-15 HEPSpec06 (HS06 ≈ HS23)

# Projections/detector - Z,WW,HZ,Top full nom stat



Run	Process	N evts	Delphes		Full Simulation		Comments
			Storage (PB)	Computing (HS06/3y)	Storage (PB)	Computing (HS06/3y)	
Z	qqbar	1500 G	<b>12.5</b>	<b>2.2 k</b>	<b>1650</b>	<b>2 M</b>	Full nominal statistics ≈ order of magnitude of the <b>data sample produced by one detector</b>
	tt	225 G	0.275	12	<b>40</b>	<b>40 k</b>	
W	WW	60 M	~10 <sup>-3</sup>		0.075	72	
HZ	HZ	500 k	~10 <sup>-5</sup>		~10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.95	
	VBF-H	16 k	~10 <sup>-6</sup>		~10 <sup>-4</sup>		
Top	ttbar	500 k	~10 <sup>-5</sup>		~10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.25	
	HZ	90 k	~10 <sup>-6</sup>		~10 <sup>-4</sup>		
	VBF-H	23 k	~10 <sup>-6</sup>		~10 <sup>-4</sup>		
Total		1725 G	13	2.2 k	1700	2 M	

3y ≈ pre-TDR

# Considerations 1



- **Storage will be critical**
  - Numbers do not include
    - Reconstruction
      - At LEP and Belle II, ~30% of the full sim CPU time
    - Analysis
      - Mostly of chaotic resources, but central ntuple reduction can be envisaged
  - For Delphes, in principle we can reuse the sample for a different detector “concept”
- **Full nominal statistics for Z run unrealistic as it would require numbers similar to the ones of HL-LHC**
- **What can be done with amounts of the order of what we have now?**
  - Full nominal statistics for WW, HZ, ttbar
  - *Large enough* Z run samples
    - *Large enough* to be defined

# Example: Z LEPx100, {WW,HZ,Top} full nominal stat



Run	Process	N evts	Delphes		Full Simulation		Comments
			Storage (TB)	Computing (HS06/3y)	Storage (TB)	Computing (HS06/3y)	
Z	qqbar	400 M	3.25	~ 1	440	0.475	100x LEP
	l+l	42.5 M	0.05		6.5	7	
W	WW	60 M	~ 1		75	71.5	Full nominal statistics
HZ	HZ	0.5 M	~10 <sup>-2</sup>		~ 1	~ 1	
	VBF-H	16.25 k	~10 <sup>-3</sup>		0.25		
Top	ttbar	0.5 M	~10 <sup>-2</sup>		~ 10	~ 1	
	HZ	0.09 M	~10 <sup>-3</sup>		0.2		
	VBF-H	23 k	~10 <sup>-3</sup>		0.25		
Total		<b>500 M</b>	<b>4 TB</b>	<b>~ 1</b>	<b>0.53 PB</b>	<b>0.55</b>	
4 exp		<b>2000 M</b>	<b>16 TB</b>	<b>~ 4</b>	<b>2.1 PB</b>	<b>2.20 k</b>	

# Considerations 2



- A baseline scenario with NxLEP Z run + full statistics for {WW,HZ,top} looks doable with the amount of resources realistically achievable
  - Whether this is enough needs to be worked out by the relevant working groups
- Ways to effectively increase the amount of resources available need to be pursued in parallel
  - Increase in the amount of resources
    - Pledged
    - Opportunistic (HPC, National/Institutes, ...)
  - Software quality improvements (more efficient data structures, tools, etc)

# Pledged resources



- Currently FCC gets resources from the quota reserved to the SME projects
  - Can probably be increased by large factors
- Discussions ongoing to integrate FCC in WLCG already in 2025
  - This would be justified considering FCC as the natural continuation of LHC
- A target of **5 PB, 100 kHS06** looks attainable in the time scale of the pre-TDR
  - This is about 10x current quotas and should enable, for example, the baseline scenario, with some contingency
- Note that the current tools (simulation, ...) have not yet been tested at the statistics required by FCC ee

# Opportunistic resources



- HPC or alike
  - In contact with CERN OpenLab to exploit EuroHPC
    - Development calls: transparent access through CERN OpenLab interface
    - CPU: AMD, Intel, ARM GPU, NVidia, AMD
    - O(1000) cores, 6 m to 1 year; investigating possibility for Dirac Integration
    - Use case: specific studies needing intense use limited in time
  - AI calls for ML specific developments
- Institute or national departments resources
  - To be possibly included in the FCC VO through DIRAC
- ...

# Distributed Workload and Data Management



- **Distributed model required** to include additional resources
  - Main requirements: central file catalogue, replication, remote access
- **iLCDirac: LC community DIRAC instance**
  - DIRAC: workload management, file catalogue used by LHCb, Belle II, BES III, JUNO, ILC/CLIC, ...
- **FCC Virtual Organisation part of iLCDirac**
  - CERN FCC resources (HTCondor, EOS area) associate to FCC VO @ iLCDirac
  - Added steering applications of interest for FCC workflows
  - Productions are starting using the instance
  - Inclusion for Storage Elements has been done with
    - CNAF, Bari and Glasgow
    - So far only for testing purposes





# How to optimize use of resources?



- Software
  - Increase **quality and efficiency of code**
    - Long and expensive process, in general, use latest versions
      - Recent Geant4 is up to a factor of 2 faster for ATLAS
    - New **ML-based faster simulation** techniques promising
      - Gaining momentum in LHC (ATLAS: ML sim of parts of EM cal in production)
        - Need to understand how to optimally integrate them
  - Investigate possibility **selective/filtered** simulations
    - Filters at generation level
    - Simulate only parts of relevance (ALICE)
  - Reconstruction/analysis could benefit from using **heterogeneous resources**
    - Synergies with LHC
  - Investigate **end-to-end ML-based techniques** for large statistics studies
    - À la CMS Flashsim

# How to optimize use of resources?



- Physics Performance

- Investigate variance reduction technologies to go beyond the rule of thumb

*MC Sample = Expected data sample*

reducing the number of events required

- Could be useful also in perspective, when data will be there
- Facilitate interplay targeted full simulation and parametrized simulation
  - E.g. Automatic/optimal creation of Delphes configurations
- LHC is testing at large statistics
  - Use this to identify processes requiring more attention

These optimization will strengthen requests to the funding agencies

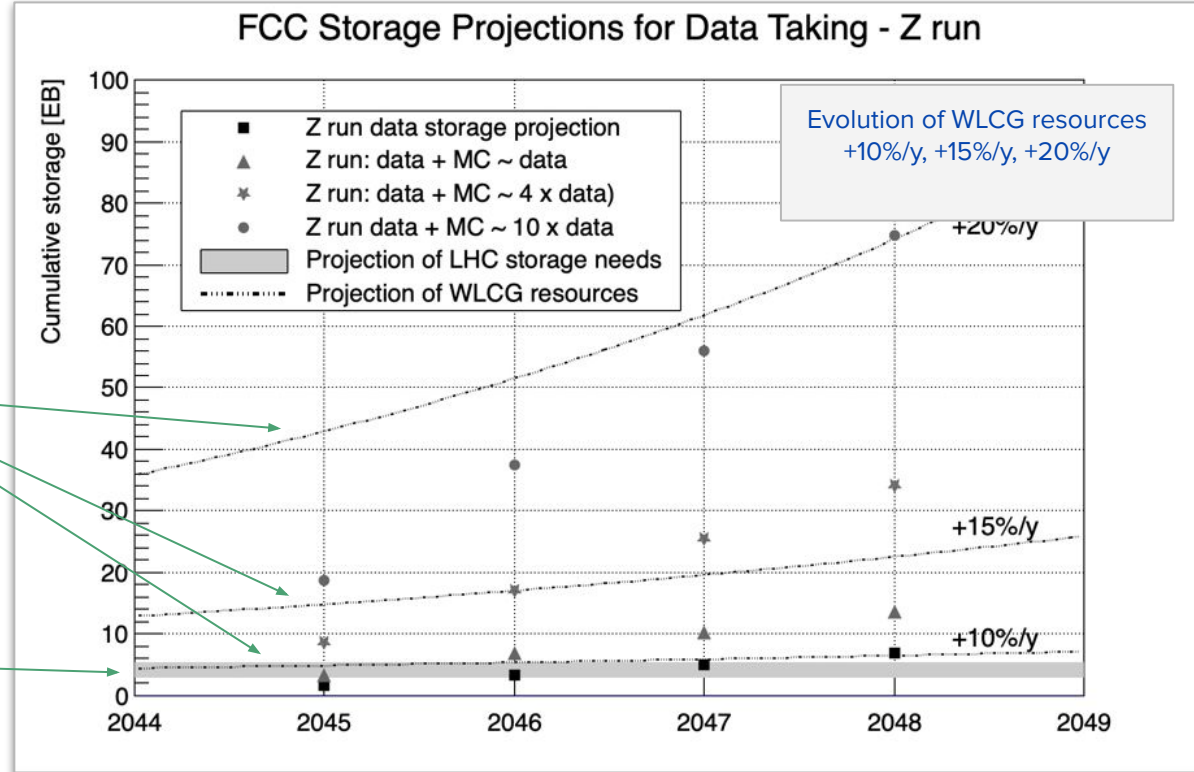
# Illustrative Storage Projection for Z Run



4 experiments  
4 equal runs {2045, 2046, 2047, 2048}

Evolution of WLCG resources  
+10%/y, +15%/y, +20%/y  
(starting point: 500 PB in 2020  
≈ ATLAS+CMS + 10%)

LHC at the end of HL (≈ 5 EB)



# Summary



- FCC PED studies ahead will need an **increasing amount of computing resources**
  - Exact requirements to be worked out by working groups
- Current CERN centric resources should enable minimal working scenarios
- In parallel, various fronts are being considered, following the LHC approach (WLCG, HPC calls, opportunistic usage, national resources) to increase available amount
  - Efforts are needed **both on the software and on the physics interpretation side** for optimal use, and to identify possible criticalities
    - Synergies with **LHC** activities need to be exploited
  - Storage requires attention: optimal use might require **policies for retention**