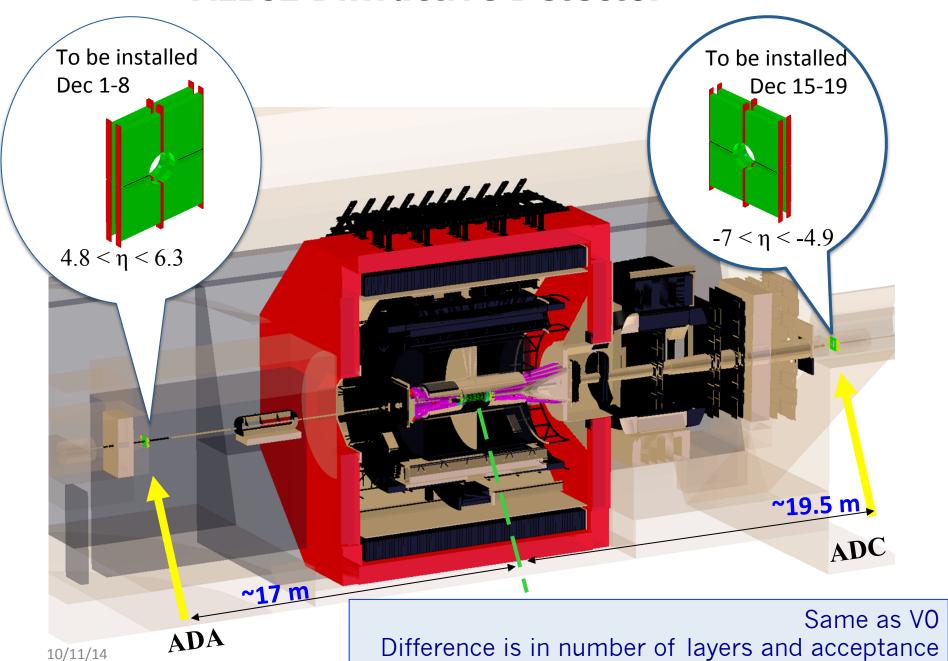
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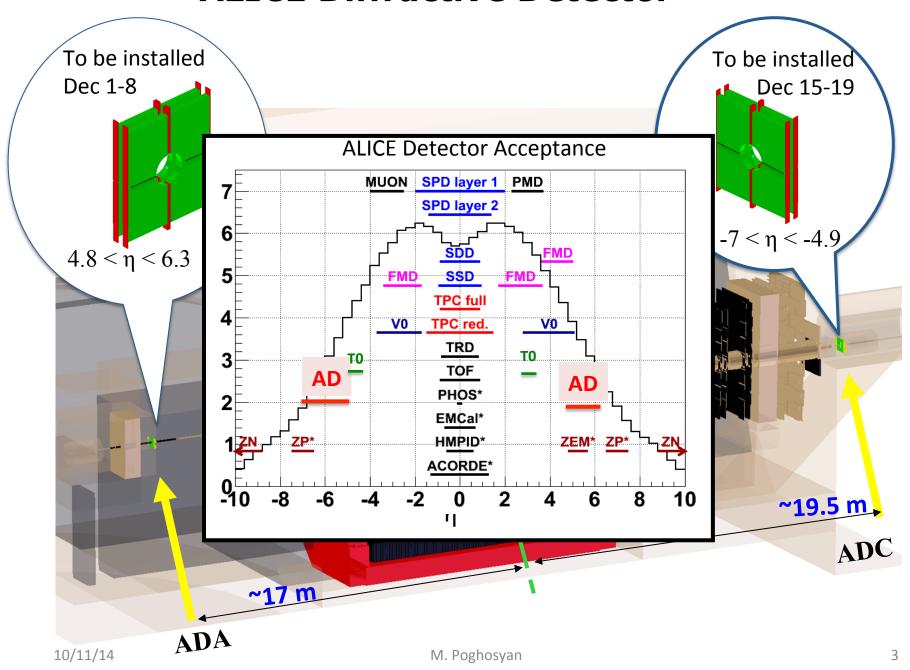
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# **ALICE Diffractive Detector**



### ALICE Diffractive Detector

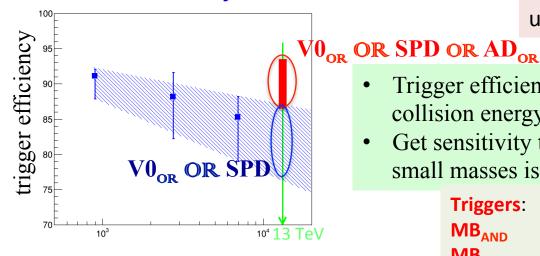


# **Purpose**

#### Enhance ALICE capabilities for studying diffractive processes

Compensate for the efficiency decrease

Mbor effic. increase by ~10% and uncertainty reduction by a factor 2



- Trigger efficiency decreases with increasing collision energy
- Get sensitivity to small masses (extrapolation to small masses is the main source of uncertainty)

#### Triggers:

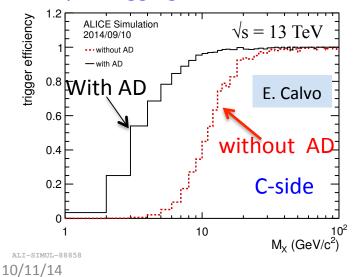
MB<sub>AND</sub> : (ADC | | VOC) & (VOA | | ADA)

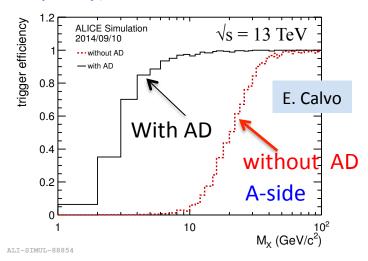
: ADA | | VOA | | SPD | | VOC | | ADC MB<sub>OR</sub>

**Double-Gap:** SPD & !(ADA|| V0A || V0C || ADC)

#### Plan is to have AD in LO (and/or L-1) trigger

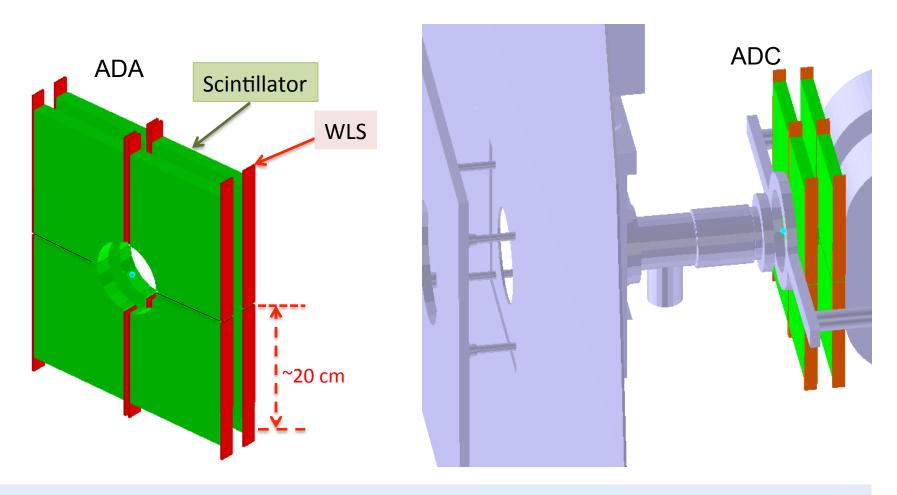
Better way of tagging SD, DD and CD events (higher purity)





# **Simulations**

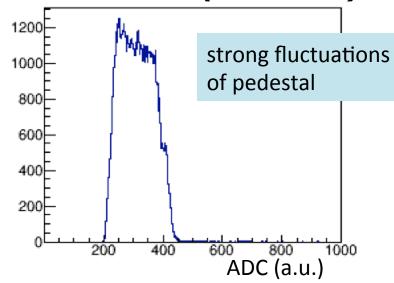
**Ernesto Calvo** 

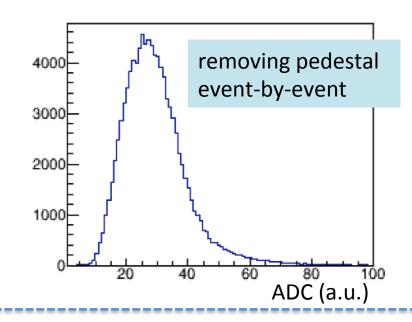


Material budget simulated in detail by Ernesto Calvo Final detector geometry implemented. 20 new composite objects added. No overlaps. overlap with ZDC mother volume found. Fix sent to ZDC for verification. Efficiency calculation with final geometry in preparation (no significant change)

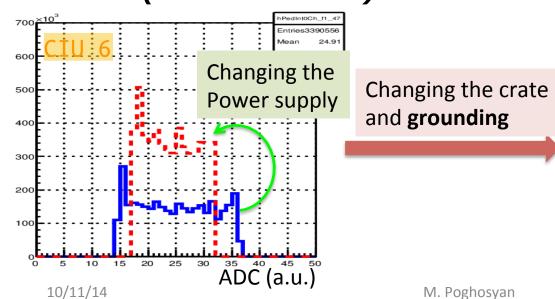
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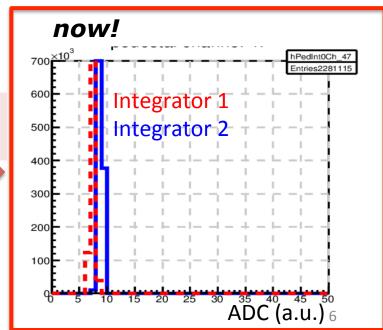






# In the lab (after test beam)





# Software status

- Route from DDL raw data to Digits ready
  - RawStream decoding raw data format
  - Digit implemented
  - Reconstructor creating Digits using RawStream
- Shuttle tools almost ready (tested locally)
  - Preprocessor creating and storing calibration in OCDB, done
  - DCS data aliases are in place (to be implemented in DCS)
  - Calibration object and OCDB done
  - Pedestal DA (detector algorithm) exists locally,
    to be included in AliRoot and DAQ
- Geometry description in aliroot

ready/to be verified by ZDC

Simulation of signal (Digits)

- Implemented in detail, various parameters need to be (fine) tuned
- Digits->Raw Data conversion ready
- ESD
  - Object exists. Under discussion what to store in.
- QA and AMORE ready
  - OA implemented for Hits, Digits and Raw Data

Michal Broz Ernesto Calvo Mario Rodriguez

Exists in ppbench/Config.C current status: Int\_t iAD = 0;

### Conclusion

AD repeats all what VO does

Goal – increase (LO and/or L-1) triggering efficiency

If no unexpected problems arise, AD will be ready for the start of Run2