# ATLAS Experiment Capabilities and Status

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# Physics Case was already made



"Quenching" = induced gluon radiation

**LHC** heavy ion collisions are expected to produce a hotter, denser and longer lived QGP.

**The** increase in hard process cross section make them a good tool to explore the hot QCD matter.

**The** energy loss of hard scattered partons provides a direct probe of color charge density of medium.

**Upsilon** states and J/ $\psi$  can serve as thermometers of the hot QCD matter.



# Yes, ATLAS!!

ATLAS has a hermetic and highly segmented calorimeter both longitudinally ( in R ) and transversely (in  $\eta$  and  $\phi$ ).

**ATLAS** has tracking that operates in the heavy ion environment.

**ATLAS** can study jets at moderate  $p_{\tau}$  where quenching is still strong and at very high  $p_{\tau}$  where quenching is expected to disappear.

Strong Interaction with the ATLAS QCD group!

... closer to the Cafeteria and T-shirts by Alan Alda!



# ATLAS Design





#### **One Pb+Pb event in ATLAS**





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"A severe case of symmetry breaking!"



#### **ATLAS Calorimetry**



### **ATLAS Calorimeter Performance**

EM Energy R	esolution
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Hadronic Energy Resolution

EM Calorimeter Timing Resolution

EM Calorimeter Angular Resolution

 $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{10\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 0.3\%$  $\frac{\sigma_E(\pi)}{E} = \frac{50\%}{\overline{E}} \quad 3\%$  $\sigma_t = \frac{4 \cdot ns.GeV}{E}$  $\sigma_\theta = \frac{60 \ mrad}{\sqrt{E}}$ 

The above performance was achieved with test beam modules



# Contains 60% of soft background energy!

Jets in 3D! (and in color)  $E_{\tau}=100 \text{ GeV}$  (jet only)

 $\Delta \eta x \Delta \Phi = 0.8 \times 0.8$ 



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-0.06

-0.04

-0.02

Itan  $\theta I \times \cos \phi$ 

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-0.05

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0.05

Itan  $\theta I \times \cos \phi$ 

# Jets in 3D!

(Forward Calorimeter-only)

100 GeV (E<sub>T</sub>) jet in forward calorimeter. (  $\sim$ 3.0< $\eta$ <4.9 )

Important for pA physics down to x~10<sup>-5</sup>

Performance in AA needs to be evaluated but expect jets ~ 50 GeV.

Isolated photons?



#### **ATLAS Today**





# **The Physics Program**

"Jet physics", Quarkonia and Minimum Bias Global variables, Flow, multiplicity,  $dN/d\eta$ ,  $dE_{\tau}/d\eta$ Inclusive jet cross section ( $E_{\tau}$ >40 GeV) Multi jet events (e.g. three jet events) Heavy quarks - b-jets "Calibrated" jets -  $\gamma$ +j, Z<sup>0</sup>+j,  $\gamma$ \*+j and others Measurement of jet fragmentation properties "Energy Loss" vs reaction plane Quarkonia -  $\Upsilon$  and  $J/\psi$ proton-nucleus collisions ultra-peripheral collisions Light ions

A first study of the detector response using full detector simulations was performed and these studies use the standard ATLAS software.



# Tracking

Standard ATLAS reconstruction for pp is used and not optimised for PbPb.

Uses Pixel and SCT, not TRT  $P_{\tau}$  threshold is 0.5 GeV Uses 10 hits out of 11 available





For  $p_{\tau} \sim I - IO$  GeV  $\in = 70\%$ , fake  $\sim 5\%$ 

Momentum resolution is ~3% (2% in barrel and 4-5% in end caps)

#### **Global Event Characterization**

Day One Measurements:  $N_{ch}$ ,  $dN_{ch}/d\eta$ ,  $E_T$ ,  $dE_T/d\eta$ , b

4000 <sup>4000</sup> پ<sup>45</sup> <sup>3500</sup> Np Nev 10<sup>3</sup>  $N_{ch}(|\eta| < 3)$ 10<sup>2</sup> 2500 2000 Histogram – true N<sub>ch</sub> 10 1500 dN<sub>ch</sub>/dη<sub>|η=0</sub>≈3200 Points – reconstructed N<sub>ch</sub> 1000 1 (HIJING, no quenching) 500 0 25000 0 5000 10000 15000 20000 N<sub>ch</sub> <sup>40</sup> / du 6000 مل dE<sub>7</sub>/dŋ (GeV) 2500 2000 5000 1500 4000 3000 1000 dN<sub>ch</sub>/dη<sub>ln=0</sub> ≈6000 2000 (HIJING, with quenching) 500 1000 0 <u>0</u>} -2 3 -3 -2 з -1 2 η η Reconstruction errors ~5%

Single Pb+Pb event, b =0-1fm

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# **Elliptic Flow in AA Collisions**



 $\Psi_{\rm R}$  - azimuthal angle of the reaction plane

View of a A+A Collision with impact parameter  $b \neq 0$ in the plane transverse to the Reaction Plane ( $x \equiv b, z \equiv beam$  axis):



# **Elliptic Flow**

 $v_2$  measurable using Pixel (barrel) and Forward Calorimeter (reaction plane reconstruction) Flow  $v_2 v_3 \eta$ 

Generation of HIJING events with flow with  $v_2 = 0.05$ ; const(N<sub>ch</sub>,  $\eta$ , y, p<sub>T</sub>) by modification

of azimuthal angle  $\phi$ 





Reconstruction:

~10% is due to non-flow correl. and will be accounted for by MC correction PANIC 2005, Heavy Ions at LHC, October 23,2005.

Find jets (after background subtraction) and measure their  $E_{\tau}$ 

Use calorimeter do measure jet profile

Use calorimeters to measure core  $E^{T}$ 

Use tracking to measure fragmentation function D(z) and  $j_{T}$  via charged particles.



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#### Performance

Window algorithm, with average pedestal subtraction.

Pedestal subtraction requires more study, especially if background is



#### **Calorimeter Layers**



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# On going Study

"Fit" a jet profile around the jet axis determined with the sliding window algorithm



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 $qq \to WH(120) \to \mu \nu_{\mu} u u$ 



 $qq \to WH(120) \to \mu\nu_{\mu}bb$ 



#### Fragmentation function, $\mathbf{j}_{\mathsf{T}}$ and $\mathbf{E}_{\mathsf{T}}^{core}$



# **b-** tagging

**Motivation -** Heavy quarks may radiate less than light quarks in the hot QCD matter.

A first study of the b-tagging capability in the heavy ion environment was performed by overlapping WH events on HIJING background.



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## How to track low p<sub>T</sub> muons?

Global method (A): use tracks fully traversing the  $\mu$ -spectrometer, which allows momentum measurement in the standalone  $\mu$ -spectrometer, then associate with ID tracks through a global fit.

Tagging method (B): select ID tracks whose extrapolation coincide with a track segment in the  $\mu$ -spectrometer.

Advantage of A over B: better p measurement (true for  $Z^0$ , not  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$ ), better purity.

ID 1000 598 Advantage of B over A: lower p threshold => better Entries 18055 Mean 11.61 RMS 6.543 acceptance (3 GeV instead of 4). UDFLW 0.000 OVFLW 1087. 800 600 For this study, A+B are used, with a priority to method A when possible. Selection of pairs with at least one  $\mu$  from 400 method A. 200ᅝᇌᇧ 5 10 15 20 25 30

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# $\Upsilon \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ Reconstruction



For  $|\eta| < 2$  (12.5% acceptance+efficiency) we expect 15,000 Y per month (10<sup>6</sup>s) at  $\mathcal{L}=4\times10^{26}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

The TRT has not been considered for this study. If  $N_{ch}$  allows for its use, the mass resolution will be improved by 25%

# Acceptance and efficiency for $J/\psi$



The full  $p_T$  range of the J/ $\psi$  is not accessible for  $p_T^{\mu} > 3$  GeV, but is accessible for  $p_T^{\mu} > 1.5$  GeV. Acceptance is forward and backward.

# $J/\Psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ Reconstruction



We expect 8,000 to 100,000 J/ $\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  / month(10<sup>6</sup>s) at  $\pounds = 4 \times 10^{26}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

If a trigger is possible forward with a muon  $p_T > 1.5$  GeV, we gain a factor 4 in statistics. A solution might be to reduce the toroidal field for HI runs

Global+tag method increases rate by 3.5 and decreases S/B by 1.5

## proton-Nucleus in ATLAS

**Study** of the modification of the gluon distribution and jet fragmentation function in the nucleus at low x, when gluon saturation occurs ("saturation physics")

**Probe** pQCD in nuclear environment

Link between p-p and A-A physics, baseline for HI



**p-Pb:**  $\mathcal{L} \sim 10^{29} \cdot 10^{30} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $\sigma_{TOT}=2 \text{ b}, \sqrt{\text{s}}=9 \text{ TeV}, \text{ rapidity shift}=0.5$ 

**Soft** background and occupancy in p-Pb are lower than in p-p with 25 pile-up events

**Hermetic** calorimeter good for asymmetric collisions;  $\Delta Y=0.5$   $\Rightarrow$  **ATLAS** is an excellent detector for proton nucleus collisions.



# Trigger and DAQ

Assume a limiting bandwidth of  $200 \times 1.5 = 300$  MB.Hz. A central (b<1 fm) event size Pb-Pb collision is 5 MB.

A luminosity of  $\mathcal{L} = 4 \times 10^{26} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$  gives an int. rate of ~ 3.5 kHz.

Interaction trigger can be defined on the basis of the forward calo.

E <sub>→</sub> thresh.	centrality	rate(kHz)	% of $\sigma_{tat}$
5.6 TeV	b< 3 fm	0.3	3
4.3 TeV	b < 5 fm	0.8	10
I.7 TeV	b < 9 fm	2.4	30
0.3 TeV	b < 13 fm	5.6	70
I GeV	unbiased	6.8	85
0.25 GeV	unbiased	7.9	99
I <e<sub>⊤&lt;30 GeV</e<sub>	b > 15 fm	0.9	



## Ultra Peripheral Nuclear Collisions

High energy γ-γ and γ-nucleon collisions
Measurements of hadron structure at high energies above HERA
di-Jet and heavy quark production
Tagging of UPC requires a Zero Degree Calorimeter
On going work on ZDC design and integration with the accelerator instrumentation.



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#### **Brief Status**

Jets - Energy Calibration.

Use Layers to reconstruct jet energy and pointing.

Tracking - The use of TRT. While occupancy is high, higher threshold (TR signal) show lower occupancy.

Trigger - Common interest with Super LHC studies.

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## Conclusions

The high granularity of the calorimeter system, external muon spectrometer and tracking capabilities in the high multiplicity environment makes ATLAS ideal for the study of jet physics, quarkonia and minimum bias events in heavy ion collisions.

The study of pp and pA collisions in the same environment will allow for the definition of a solid baseline. Hence the interest in jet physics in pp and pA runs.

Studies of detector performance is continuing. Algorithms tailored to the high multiplicity environment need to be developed within the ATLAS ATHENA software framework.



## **Supplemental Slides**



#### **Global Variables**



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## **Average Energy in Calorimeters**



Most energy is absorbed by the electromagnetic calorimeter!!! Jets will ride on top of an average pedestal of  $(50\pm11)$  GeV ( $\Delta R=0.4$ )

#### Rates

PbPb collisions will produce large amounts of jets!!!! Each collision will produce 1 (one)  $E_T = 20$  GeV jet. In each  $10^6$ s run at nominal luminosity of  $4 \times 10^{26}$  we expect:

P <sub>T</sub> threshold	jets
50 GeV	40x10 <sup>6</sup>
100 GeV	1.0x10 <sup>5</sup>
200 GeV	2.0×10 <sup>4</sup>

(|n|<2.5), A. Accardi, N. Armesto and I.P. Lokhtin, hep-ph/0211314

# We also expect ~1000 Y+jet events in a 1 GeV bin at $E_T = 60$ GeV ~ 500 $Z^0(\mu^+\mu^-)$ +jets total





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