Highlights from Villars SPSC meeting (Sept 22-28 2004)

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Drawn from my presentation "Conclusions and recommendations" and from the official SPSC Report SPSC-2005-010 (see link from PAF/POFPA web pages)

A mix of personal considerations, and official SPSC conclusions

The programme

Wednesday, September 22	9:00 - 9:30 Welcome, Introduction, CERN perspective		CERN) - 12:30 Accelerators I Beams	14:00 - 14:45 Discussion	14:45 - 16:00 MMWatt and HIF workshops	16:30 - 19:30 Heavy Ions
Thursday September 23	9:00 - 11:30 Heavy Ions	Discourse		ssion	14:00 - 19:30 Neutrinos		
Friday September 24	9:00 - 12:00 Discu Neutrinos Neutr		ssion	14:00 - 20:00 Soft and Hard Protons			
Saturday September 25	9:00 - 11:30 Soft and Har Protons	.	11:30 - 12:30 Discussion Soft and Hard protons		14:00 - 19:30 Antiprotonic Physics		
Sunday, September 26	9:00 - 11:45 Antiprotonic Physics		11:45 - 12:45 Discussion Antiprotons		14:00 - 19:30 Heavy Flavor		
Monday, September 27	9:00 - 10:35 Heavy Flavo	11:00 - Discus Heavy I		ssion	13:30 - 15:40 Other Experiments	15:40 - 16:30 Discussion Other Experiments	16:50 - 19:30 Discussion for Summary and Conclusions
Tuesday, Sept 28	9:00 - 10:30 Discussion for Summary and Conclusions	10:50 - 11:50 "Conclusions and recommendations" M Mangano		11:50 - 12:30 Closing Remarks J Engelen J Dainton			

SPS short-term issues (<2011)

from the final report:

- Lack of p.o.t. to complete the approved COMPASS and CNGS programmes by 2011
 - act ASAP on accelerator complex to increase pot's
 - priority for beam to Compass in 2006, until Opera is fully operational with its nominal target mass
 - no new experiments competing for pot's with Compass/Opera until they are done
 - no HI in the SPS until after 2009 (no source/injectors lines now, LHC commissioning first once HI injector system completed)

Few proposals were presented for possible datataking in this timeframe:

- NA49 with hadron beams (Pentaquarks, etc)
- NA49 with ions (Cronin effect, high-pt suppression)
- NA60 with p beams (D->mu+mu-)
- NA60 with Pb-Pb (open charm and charmonium)
- NA48/3 (K+ -> pi+ nu nubar)

PS short-term issues (<2011)

from the final report:

- Completion of DIRAC by 2008 (already approved)
- AD unique facility until end of the decade. Full support to continuation beyond 2005. However:
 - progress will only come from R&D in both experimental techniques (high-rate antiH trapping) and accelerator (ELENA, pbar decelerator 5.3MeV-> 0.1MeV).
 - Concerns about the fragmentation of the collaborations, lack of a clear roadmap with med-long-term goals/needs
- HARP: programme completed, but likely more future requests.

The future beyond 2010

D.G. day 1: "Let **progress in physics** guide your evaluation."

Which physics? How far off the main path of the HEP exploration is CERN interested in going, and motivated to go?

- Two levels:
 - leading the quest for new physics
 - direct searches:
 - LHC, CLIC
 - indirect evidence:
 - **Leptons:** neutrino masses and mixings, LFV
 - Quarks: K, B hadron decays
 - **CPT** violation searches **(AD)**, **Axion** searches
 - exploring dynamical issues
 - ancillary to the exploration of the fronteer, e.g.:
 - better PDF's for LHC studies
 - with no obvious or direct impact on the HE frontier:

 - hadron spectroscopypolarised/transverse/generalized/... PDFs
- On a different Riemann sheet:
 - "Other topics"
 - Isolde/nTOF, future Eurisol-like activities

LHC is the highest priority

- This is the consensus of the HEP community
- We should ensure the fullest, safest and optimal exploitation and fulfillment of its physics potential
- We should aim at an early approval of its luminosity upgrade, and focus the accelerator resources towards an early, clear definition of the injector chain upgrade path
- Priorities to new SPS-based programmes should be assigned on the basis of the
 - potential to supplement the discoveries to be made by the LHC, adding to our ability to disentangle the nature of the new phenomena observed there
 - technical synergy and compatibility with the needs of the LHC upgrade
 - immediacy of the physics return: need to guarantee an programme alternative to the LHC, available during the time of LHC operation

Heavy Ions at the SPS

- Goals:
 - localization of the critical point in the phase diagram (μ_B, T)
 - confirmation of the chiral symmetry restoration phase
 - low mass dileptons, thermal photons
 - determination of charm rates
 - study of rates for different charmonium states
 - high pt, Cronin effect
- Consensus that the SPS is the ideal machine to address these issues
- Quite clear that the field is in rapid evolution:
 - providing unambiguous indications of the existence of new, interesting phenomena associated to a new state of matter
 - providing more and more quantitative outputs and interpretations in the context of QCD
 - showing coherent progress in theoretical understanding
- Need for a reassessment of the potential of the SPS to play a role in the continuous progress in the field
- Beam available in 2009

Main questions

• Compelling physics case?

• Adequate experimental approach, guarantee of success?

 Need to anticipate operations to before 2009?

Compelling physics case? YES

- The **critical point is a fundamental dynamical parameter of QCD**, the finite-T/finite- μ_B equivalent of m_{π} or Λ_{QCD} . While we do not have a 100% certainty that the NA49 scans will succeed in pinning down the CP, it is on the other hand clear that neither RHIC nor FAIR nor LHC will have this opportunity
- The exploration of charmonium spectroscopy is a crucial element in the complete understanding of the mechanisms for J/ψ suppression. I don't expect this will be done at RHIC, and the LHC dynamic range is very different.
- A complete study of charm production is needed to complement the study of J/ψ 's, as well as to clarify the origin of intermediate mass dilepton excess

Adequate experimental approach, guarantee of success? NO

These statements reflect the experimental proposal presentations made in Villars

- I did not perceive consensus on this issue
- The **connection between the observables** (anomalous fluctuations in various quantities: multiplicities, pt spectra, etc) **and the presence of the CP** seems still rather weak and poorly supported by theoretical considerations (or modeling)
- The excellent mass resolution shown by NA60, with the ability to separate ω and φ peaks, offers a hope to explore the modification of light mesons in the dense medium and to connect with the physics of the chiral restoration. A firmer connection between these observables and the underlying physics should however be put forward.
- NA60 appears fully prepared to complete the charm and J/ψ spectroscopy programmes, and to shed new lights on these phenomena

Need to anticipate the run to <2009? NO

- No compelling evidence that this is the case
- No apparent risk that other facilities could get in the way of significant new discoveries at the SPS
- The time frame between now and, say, 2006-07, provides an excellent opportunity for some rethinking about the most suitable experimental programme, taking into account
 - the inputs coming from the rapid progress in the field due to RHIC analyses,
 - better theoretical understanding (e.g. Lattice results),
 - possible innovative ideas for detectors and measurements (see the case of small detectors at RHIC)

The long-term future

- Ensure that the ability to carry out a HI programme after the refurbishing of the injector chain is maintained
- Explore new opportunities offered by the upgrade of the injector complex (=> engage Alice community, which has meanwhile been activated)
 - HI collisions in the SuperSPS?
 - higher intensity sources?
 - detector upgrades
 - HI collisions during the SLHC era?
- While the proper formulation of a compelling physics case may have to wait the first LHC HI data, make sure we don't preclude a long-future for HIs

QCD and strong interactions

Strong interaction studies will play a crucial role: QCD is ubiquitous in high-energy physics!

Once new particles are discovered at LHC, it will be mandatory to explore parameters, mixing patterns, i.e., we need an unprecedented ability to interpret the strong interaction structure of final states

Synergy: kaon system, heavy flavour, spectroscopy, pdf...

- Many intellectual puzzles still open in QCD
 - Confinement, chiral symmetry breaking, vacuum structure,
 hadron masses, origin of spin etc.
 S. Malvezzi

- QCD studies have historically played a primary role in CERN's physics programme
 - ν and μ DIS Structure Function Measurements
 - spectroscopy
 - high-Q²
 - jet discovery (ISR, UA2/UA1)
 - LEP, first QCD precision measurements
- The current programme at the SPS is a QCD programme (COMPASS)!

Is there a scientific case for further QCD studies at the SPS? YES

- A solid control of QCD will be required for the best use of the LHC data
- The LHC itself will provide an immense amount of QCD-related data
- Many recent experimental and theoretical developments have opened new avenues, whose role in a possible future SPS programme it is mandatory to explore

Comment

However:

- Several proposed measurements aim at improving existing results or clarifying some outstanding issues (see later)
- In these cases, the proof of ability to collect larger statistics or to explore new dynamical domains should not be good enough a motivation to support the proposals.
- I would expect to see more clear and convincing evidence that the outstanding issues will be solved, and to see concrete quantitative statements about the eventual physics progress.

Parton Distribution and Structure Functions (Compass, µ beam)

- Longitudinal gluon polarization
 - Original goal: $\Delta G/G=0.14$. Expectation at the end of '02-'04 analysis
 - from charm: $\Delta G/G=0.24$
 - inclusive high-pt hadron $\Delta G/G=0.05$ (plus large th uncertanties)
 - Future prospects:
 - $\Delta G/G \rightarrow 0.17 (0.11)$ with 1 (3) yr after '06
 - ?? after '10
 - Competition: RHIC, jet-jet, similar or smaller error, larger x range
 - => unlikely to require further exploration at CERN >2011
- **Generalised parton densities** Knowledge of transverse structure of the proton: go to the infinite-P frame, how are partons distributed on the flat disk as a function of x?. Goal: extend accuracy and range
 - Timescale: >2010.
 - Competition: rich program at DESY, JLab, but not in this domain of Q and x. eRHIC with similar kinematics, but not before 2015.
 - Recommendation: No rush.
- Inclusive PDFs: improve accuracy of old CERN experiments.
 - Not obvious. Not obvious that this will contribute to LHC (timescale not adequate to have an impact)
 - Timescale: > 2010

Renaissance of hadron spectroscopy

Quarkonium:

- η_C' (Belle, CLEO, Babar)
- X(3872) (Belle, CDF, Do, Babar)

Narrow charmed states:

- D_{sJ}(Babar, CLEO, Belle) (parity partners of D_s (**)
- $D_{SJ}^{+}(2632) \rightarrow \eta D_{S}^{+}(Selex)$ (?? Tetraquark ??)
- Ξ_{cc} (Selex) (τ ~30fs, predicted ~400fs!)

• Pentaquark candidates:

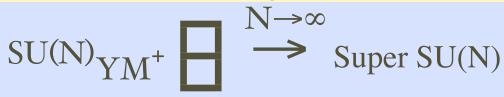
- Θ^+ (1540) (Chiral soliton model prediction (Polyakov talk); diquarks; prod properties?)
- $\Xi^{--}(1862)$ (NA49, $\Xi^{-}\pi^{-}$)
- $\Theta^{+}_{c}(3100) (H1, D^{*-}p)$

Spectroscopy (Compass, p beam):

- light mesons, glueballs, exotics (5-quarks/4-quarks):
 - clarify outstanding issues (e.g. association of known resonances to glueballs): what are the new elements brought to light by these measurements?
 - study diffractive production dynamics
 - explore new issues (e.g. 5-quark production mechanisms and spectroscopy): **interesting, very active, open and competitive field**
- **doubly charmed baryons:** confirm FNAL observation, increase statistics (x 50), improve accuracy of lifetime measurements, extend spectroscopy
- Timescales:
 - Compass: p runs from 'o6 on
 - Dedicated experiments at Super-PS / Super-SPS (charm): >2012-'14:
 - **Need to clarify** which improvements in our understanding (aside form simple statistics) can be achieved, vis a vis the timescale and the likely progress from other experiments
 - justify the request for such high intensities
 - detail a complete research programme, and explore **synergies**/ **competition** with other potential activities (e.g. rare K decays)

One comment

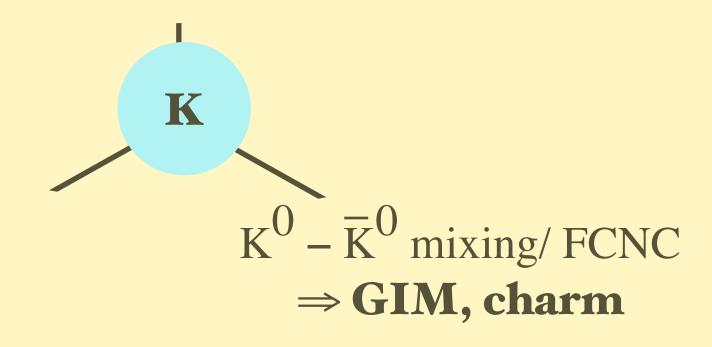
- How do we compare and grade the scientific value of measurements such as GPDs and exotics' spectroscopy?
- They both deal with the issue of understanding the hadron structure. The proton is more fundamental, but perhaps diquarks could open new avenues for the understanding of strong interactions (see e.g. colour SC/neutron stars, large-N Super YM)



- At the end of the day, any judgment will reflect very personal viewpoints, unless a path is given, indicating which and how progress in other areas of physics will be driven by these measurements:
 - better understanding of LHC bg's?
 - better understanding of QCD effects in K/B decays?
 - better tools for precision measurements in other machines?
 - how does CERN's overall physics programme benefit?

K decays

 $Strangeness \Rightarrow SU(3)$



More: ε'/ε , CKM parameters, CPT tests (m(K) vs m (Kbar)), etc.etc.

New frontier: very rare decays, O(10^{-10÷-11})

A measurement of the 4 decay modes

$$K^{+} \to \pi^{+} \nu \nu$$
 $K^{\circ}_{L} \to \pi^{0} \nu \nu$
 $K^{\circ}_{L} \to \pi^{0} e^{+} e^{-}$ $K^{\circ}_{L} \to \pi^{0} \mu^{+} \mu^{-}$

is a crucial element in the exploration of the new physics discovered at the LHC.

Accuracies at the level of 10% would already provide precious quantitative information

• E949 at BNL: stopped² $\mathbf{K}^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$

- - Terminated by DoE after 12 weeks or run
- CKM at FNAL: in flight $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$
 - "Deprioritized" by P⁵ after PAC approval
- KOPIO $K^{\circ} \rightarrow \pi^{0}$ vv, at BNL AGS
 - Late stage of R&D, \$30M in '05 President's budget
 - >40 events, S/B=2/1
- P940, $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$, modified CKM based on KTeV.
 - Proposal to PAC '05, Data taking at t-"Funding-approval + 1yr"
 - 100 events /2 FNAL yrs
- E391a at KEK, $\mathbf{K}^{\circ}_{\mathsf{T}} \rightarrow \pi^{0} \mathsf{v} \mathsf{v}$
 - First run '04, more data in '05. Sensitivity 10⁻¹⁰, below signal
- L-o₅ at JPARC, $\mathbf{K}^{O}_{I} \rightarrow \pi^{O} \nu \nu$
 - Proposal to PAC '05, beam available Spring '08
 - 100 events/3 yrs
- L-04 at JPARC, $\mathbf{K}^{\dagger}_{\mathsf{L}} \rightarrow \pi^{\dagger} \nu \nu$
- NA₄8/₃ at CERN: in flight $\mathbf{K}^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$
 - tests on beam '04, proposal to SPSC in '05
 - ready for beam in '09

 - >100 evts in 2 CERN yrs, S/B=10/1 NA48/4-5: $K^{\circ} \rightarrow \pi^{0}$ ll, π^{0} vv, sensitivity dep on integrated Lum

Conclusion for K's

Absolutely clear physics case, to be pursued with the strongest determination in a global context of healthy, aggressive and very competent competition

The discovery of Supersymmetry at the LHC will dramatically increase the motivation for searches of **new phenomena in flavour physics.**

The K physics programme will find a natural complement in the B physics studies at the LHC, and in new Lepton Flavour Violation searches.

The definition of a potential LFV programme and the study of its implications for the accelerator complex should be strongly encouraged and supported

Neutrinos

- Physics case clear and strong:
 - GUT-scale physics
 - Flavour structure
 - Leptogenesis (lepton-driven B asymmetry of the Universe)
 - Cosmology: WMAP => Ω_{V} <0.015, m_{V} <0.23 eV
- Majorana nature favoured theoretically (implications for 0ν2e β-decay):

$$m=v^2/\Lambda$$
 $v=O(100 \text{ GeV})$ $\Lambda=O(M_{GUT})$

• 2 relative masses, one absolute mass scale, 3 mixing angles, 1 CKM phase δ , 2 relative phases if Majorana

$ \Delta m^2_{23} $	Δm^2_{12}	m ₁	$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$\sin^2\theta_{23}$	$\sin^2\theta_{13}$	$\delta_{\mathbf{i}}$
$\sim 2.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$\sim 7 \times 10^{-5}$?	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.7	<0.05	?

Timescale

	At least 4 phases of Long Baseline experiments	
2010	1) 2001-2010. K2K, Opera, Icarus, Minos. Optimized to confirm the SuperK evidence of oscillation of atmospheric neutrinos through ν_{μ} disappearance or ν_{τ} appearance. They will have limited potential in measuring oscillation parameters. Not optimized for ν_{e} appearance (θ_{13} discovery).	10 ⁻¹
2015	2) 2009-2015. T2K (approved), No ν a, Double Chooz. Optimized to measure θ_{13} (Chooz \times 20) through ν_e appearance or ν_e disappearance. Precision measure of the atmospheric parameters (1 % level). Tiny discovery potential for CP phase δ , even combining their results.	10 ⁻³
2020	3) 2015 - 2025. SuperBeams and/or Beta Beams. Improved sensitivity on θ_{13} (Chooz \times 200). They will have discovery potential for leptonic CP violation and mass hierarchy for $\theta_{13} \geq 1^\circ$. In any case needed to remove any degeneracy from Nufact results (see P. Hernandez et al.,	10 ⁻⁵
year	hep-ph/0207080)	$\sin^2(2\theta_{13})$

4) Ultimate facility: Neutrino Factories or high energy Beta Beams.

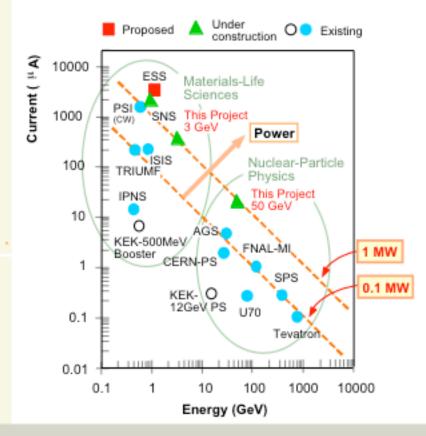
Ultimate sensitivity on the CP phase $\delta,\, \theta_{13}$, mass hierarchy.

After JPARC, in the standard scenario

- θ₁₃, discovery or precision measure
- Mass hierarchy
- Leptonic CP violation

Any major improvement of JPARC will be extremely expensive:

- The proton driver is a next generation machine
- The detector is 10 times bigger of the second biggest: Minos.
- The design of close detectors system is challenging, but T2K will provide a very valuable first setup.



The knowledge of θ_{13} is necessary to guarantee the conditions to measure δ and to optimize the facility.

Any future initiative should have enough physics potential besides neutrino oscillations to justify the risk of starting the Leptonic CP violation searches without any guarantee.

Key questions for the neutrino programme at CERN

- Do the physics motivations of the Superbeam, β beam and SP+ β B programmes suffice to undertake the SPL (possibly + β beam) path, or is this justified only in the context of a subsequent ν Fact upgrade?
- What if no detector at Frejus is available?
- This must be understood clearly before the SPL road is taken, as the vFact option has impact on the post-LHC programme (compatibility of the vFact with CLIC, S/D-LHC??)
- Does the Eurisol physics motivation and financial opportunity suffice to undertake the construction of the SPL regardless of the answer to the above points?

Personal assessment

- The physics case for the simple superbeam option does not appear compelling
 - from the "SPL Physics case" presentation at Villars:

Q: Why proposing the SPL Superbeam if JHF will have similar results?

A1: Unique synergy with the Beta Beam

A2: Learned from the Japanese style of working, and also from CERN style, every step carries the know-how for the next step. The next could be a NuFact.

A3: Different condition to repeat the same measurement. In particular different background.

- if T2K-I measures non-zero θ_{13} , SB will come in late, and will be in competition with T2K-II
- if T2K-I fails, SB will at best detect a non-zero θ_{13} , but will not be in the condition to perform an accurate measurement, or to firmly establish CP violation
- the upgrade to a vFact appears unavoidable to justify the start of a neutrino programme based on the SPL (whether or not the β beam option is available)
- In all cases, it is mandatory that an independent physics case be developed, and independent resources be confirmed and allocated, for the construction of the **required** detector at the Frejus

From the SPSC recommendations:

- The super-beam option does not alone appear the most attractive option.
- The evaluation of the possibility of an **experiment** with a betabeam should be completed ASAP
- CERN should support hadron-production exp's with nu beams
- CERN should support the nu-factory Scoping Study
- CERN should support, partecipate and coordinate R&D for cheaper, lighter, large area and magnetized detectors

Issues for discussion

- SPL and default β-beam require a 0.5MTon detector in the Frejus tunnel
 - the SPL v-physics potential alone does not justify the enterprise
 - \$several-100M tunnel + \$500M detector: who pays?
 - a detector at 130km is too close to address next-generation issues. It will survive as a proton-decay experiment, but new detectors will have to be built for future developments (V factory): is it a wise investment?
- Neither the β-beam, nor the SLHC or any of the possible fixedtarget experiments (K decays, muons, etc) require more than few 100kW at 2 GeV
 - e.g. stopped K+ exps require 500kW@30GeV

How much can be achieved with a diversified use of the financial and HR resources required to develop an SPL+Eurisol facility?

New ideas and alternative options have been proposed recently, which bypass the use of an SPL+Frejus detector by exploting higher E_V beams towards LNGS or other long baseline, new, locations

- RCS PS: 20 GeV p, 6.5MW, towards LNGS (4kton LAr) (Ferrari et al 2002)
- Higher E betabeam (SuperSPS: γ_{He6}=350, γ_{Ne18}=580) to LNGS (40kton Pb detector) (P.Hernandez et al, hep-ph/0312068, Donini et al 2005)
- Higher yet betabeam (LHC: γ_{He6}=2488, γ_{Ne18}=4147) to LNGS or to very-long baseline (Migliozzi, Terranova, hep-ph/0405081)

CONCLUSIONS, part I

Aside from the needs of the SLHC, prospects for neutrino physics will be the main driver in the selection of the path towards an upgrade of the CERN accelerator complex.

We therefore need to review Roland's table, using a finer structure in the area of neutrino physics, and exploring the value, as well as beam and detector requirements, of each option, individually

★ Superbeams

SPL: 4MW@2-3 GeV → Frejus PS++: 6.5MW@20 GeV → LNGS

★ Beta beams:

γ~100 (Frejus) γ~350-600 (LNGS)

★ v Factory

The choices will be complicated by the uncertainty about the fate of other competing projects around the world: JPARC, FNAL

Options for the upgrade of the CERN accelerator complex

	Replacement accelerator	Improvement	INTEREST FOR				
Present accelerator			LHC upgrade	v physics beyond CNGS	RIB beyond ISOLDE	Physics with k and μ	
Linac2	Linac4	50 → 160 MeV H+ → H-	+	0 (if alone)	0 (if alone)	0 (if alone)	
PSB	>2.2 GeV RCS* for HEP	1.4 → >2.2 GeV 10 → 250 kW	+	0 (if alone)	+	0 (if alone)	
	>2.2 GeV/ mMW RCS*	$1.4 \rightarrow > 2.2$ GeV $0.01 \rightarrow 4 \text{ MW}$	+	++ (super-beam, β-beam ?, v factory)	+ (too short beam pulse)	0 (if alone)	
	>2.2 GeV/50 Hz SPL*	1.4 → >2.2 GeV 0.01 → 4 MW	+	+++ (super-beam, β-beam, ν factory)	+++	0 (if alone)	
PS	RSS*/** for HEP	>30 GeV Intensity x 2	++	0 (if alone)	0	+	
	5 Hz RCS*/**	>30 GeV 0.1 → 4 MW	++	++ (v factory)	0	+++	
SPS	1 TeV RSS*/	0.45 → 1 TeV Intensity x 2	+++	?	0	+++	

RCS=Rapid Cycling Synchrotron RSS=Rapid Superconducting Synchrotron SPL=Superconducting Proton Linac

^{*} with brightness x2

^{**} need new injector(s)

CONCLUSIONS, part II

Flavour physics in the quark and charged-lepton sector provides a most compelling case for a diversified exploitation of CERN's accelerator complex.

So far the case for future high-intensity flavour physics at CERN has been studied only in the context of the neutrino factory complex (namely assuming the SPL+etc)

We should review this study following criteria like:

- + what are the minimal requirements are in order to achieve results of top scientific value?
- + what is the impact on (S)LHC operations?

CONCLUSIONS, part III, a proposal for classification

- What are the minimal scenarios for a full exploitation of the LHC
- What are the additional elements/costs/etc required for a flavour physics programme (plus possibly QCD studies)
- In the above two frameworks, what are the extra requirements for a continued Relativistic HI Collisions programme
- What are the additional elements/costs/etc required for different options in neutrino physics:
 - super beam to Frejus
 - beta beam to Frejus
 - high energy beta beam (e.g. to LNGS)
 - high-power PS beam to LNGS
 - nuFact
- What are the additional elements/costs/etc required for Eurisol