

# The ALICE MUON Arm

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# Outlook



- The present ALICE Muon Spectrometer
  - Physics motivations
  - The setup
  - Physics highlights of Run 1 & Perspectives for Run 2
- The Upgrades
  - Limitations of the present Muon Arm
  - Running the spectrometer in Run 3/4
  - The upgrades of the Muon Arm
  - Physics perspectives for Run 3 (Ginés talk)

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# Physics motivations



- Why HF & Quarkonia are interesting probes?
  - Heavy quarks are produced in the early stage of the collision (hard scattering)
  - They are sensitive to the hot medium formed in the ultrarelativistic HI collision
- Open heavy flavors => Probing the medium by energy loss
  - Mass dependence ( $\Delta E_c > \Delta E_b$ ) => comparison charm/beauty (only possible w/ MFT)
- Quarkonia => Probing the medium by color screening
  - Quarkonia should be suppressed by heavy quark potential screening
  - Recombination due to the high density heavy quarks could play a role
- Low mass => chiral symmetry restauration
  - in-medium modification => rho broadening
- Reference needed: pp collisions
  - Check production mechanisms (pQCD), A-A normalization
- Disentangle «hot effects» from «cold effects»: p-A collisions
  - Initial state effects: Modification of PDFs in nuclei (shadowing), gluon saturation



Time





# The ALICE Detector





# The ALICE Muon Spectrometer





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# The Muon Tracking

- 10 planes of Cathode Pad Chambers (CPC) arranged in 5 stations
- Stations 1&2 quadrant type (3 pad segm.)
- Stations 3, 4, 5 slats type (3 pad segm.) .
- 156 detection elements, 1.1 M channels
- CPC
  - Gas mixture Ar/CO<sub>2</sub> 80:20, gap 5 mm (4.2 mm St. 1)
  - ▶ Gain of ~10<sup>4</sup>, HV ~ 1650 V
  - $\blacktriangleright$  Spatial resolution of ~100  $\mu m$  and  $\epsilon$  ~100%





# The Muon Trigger



- 4 planes of 18 single gap Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC) each,
- Arranged in 2 stations
- Total surface ~140 m<sup>2</sup>
- Readout/FEE channels ~21000
- Trigger electronics: decision and readout

- Trigger decision
  - p<sub>T</sub>-based muon selection
  - single muons, unlike-sign, and like-sign muon pairs

**RPC** 



# Physics highlights of Run 1 & Perspectives for Run 2

(Today bias: Mostly Pb-Pb @ 2.76 TeV/nucleon, little p-Pb, almost no pp)

# ALICE Data sets



- Pb-Pb @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$ 
  - ▶ 70 µb<sup>-1</sup> in 2011 (20 times less in 2010)
- p-Pb @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$ 
  - ▶ 11 nb<sup>-1</sup> in 2013 (divided in p-Pb and Pb-p)
- pp @ √s = 7 TeV
  - ▶ 1.35 pb<sup>-1</sup> in 2011
- pp @ √s = 2.76 TeV
  - ▶ 20 nb<sup>-1</sup> in 2011
- pp @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ 
  - ▶ 1.3 pb<sup>-1</sup> in 2012

(Full luminosity seen by muon triggers)



# J/ψ R<sub>AA</sub> in Pb-Pb





Less suppression compared to RHIC (10 times lower energy) •

TM1: Zhao et al. NPA 859 (2011) 114-125 TM2: Zhou et al. PRC 89 (2014) 054911

- Less suppression at low p<sub>T</sub> •
- Recombination should play a role (~100 charm quark pairs in HI central)
- Models including regeneration give satisfactory agreement •



 $J/\psi < p_T^2 >$ 





Strong energy dependence of r<sub>AA</sub>

- Transport models work reasonably well
- Considered as recombination signature

Run 2 Higher statistics -> more centrality bins



# J/ψ flow in Pb-Pb





- Indication of a non-zero elliptic flow
- CO-onsidered at a signature of the recombination
- At RHIC J/ $\psi$  flow was compatible with zero



X. Zhao et al., Nucl. Phys. A904-A905, 611c (2013) Y. Liu et al., Nucl. Phys. A834, 317c (2010)

# $\psi(2S) R_{AA} in Pb-Pb$





- Results are not inconsistent wrt models that describe  $J/\psi$
- Discrimination between statistical and transports models





# Heavy flavor decays in muon





- Suppression observed for central collisions
- $p_T > 3$  GeV/c to control the background subtraction
- Models with in-medium energy loss gives the trend

- Positive flow observed
- Models seems to underestimate the data



# $J/\psi$ photoproduction in Pb-Pb (hadronic coll.)



### arXiv:1506.08804



- Excess observed in peripheral collisions
- Could be from coherent J/ψ photoproduction (like in ultra peripheral collisions)



## Low masses in Pb-Pb





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# Upsilon RAA in Pb-Pb





- Y Strongly suppressed (more wrt central rapidity)
- Y vs y: rather flat now with CMS new pp reference!





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# Quarkonia in p-Pb



- J/ $\psi$ : Backward (almost) no nuclear effets, forward => suppression @ low p<sub>T</sub>
- $\psi(2S)$ : More suppressed than J/ $\psi$ . Comover model gives the trend

statistics x 3

Run 2

# Upsilon in p-Pb





### Y vs models



- J/ $\psi$  and Y similar suppression (within errors bars!)
- Shadowing and/or (coherent) energy loss models overestimate the data

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- PYTHIA 8 and Percolation (Ferreiro et. al. PRC 86 (2012) 034903) fairly reproduces the data
- Need higher event activity range to disentangle the models

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# Upgrades: MCH and MID

# The Upgraded MUON Spectrometer

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- HL-LHC start after the LS2 (mid 2018 to end of 2019)
  - Upgraded Pb-Pb luminosity: L=6 10<sup>27</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> (50 kHz of int. rate) => DAQ @ 100 kHz
  - Present nominal LHC luminosity in Pb-Pb: L=10<sup>27</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> (8 kHz of int. rate) => DAQ @ 1 kHz
- Need to upgrade the FEE & readout of MUON Trigger and Tracking
- Add the new Muon Forward Tracker (MFT)

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# MCH Electronics and readout scheme

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- New FEE based on SAMPA chip (1.1 M channels, ~18k boards of 64 ch)
- New e-link data buses (external to detectors for slats, new PCB for quadrants)
- GBT concentrator card (40 x 80 Mb/s inputs, 3.3 Gb/s fiber output): ~500 cards
- Common Readout Unit (CRU) interfaced to the DAQ: ~500 inputs, ~20 boards

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# The SAMPA chip

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- « All-in-one » (analog & digital) 32 ch chip for MCH (38 k) and TPC
- Based on SALTRO architecture, designed in TSMC 130 nm

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- Analog (pre-amplifier + shaper), continuous sampling @ 10MHz, 10 bits ADC
- Digital processing (DSP): baseline correction, zero suppression, multi-event buffers, ...
- Continuous or triggered readout, sampling and readout running in parallel
- First MPW1 prototype (~analog) tested

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• Next step: Full chip MPW2 (sub. 11/15)

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# The DualSampa (FEC)

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- SAMPA MPW2 (32 channels)
  - MWP2 submission 11/15 => delivery 02/16 (several months of delay wrt original planing)
  - Carrier board for qualification tests (w/ 2 SAMPAs), first schematic diagram done @ Orsay

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- DualSampa (32 channels FEC)
  - Design started => we will take advantage of the implementation of MPW2 cards
  - 2 models due to different geometry of Stations 1 and 2 and Stations 3,4 and 5
  - Potential issues: power consumption ~20 mW/ch (1.2 V) wrt ~13 mW/ch presently
    - SAMPA optimisations under study
    - Cooling studies needed (air flow increase sufficient?)

# The SOLAR Concentrator Card

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- SOLAR board
  - ▶ 1 GBTx, 1 VTRx, 1 SCA
  - ▶ Handle up to 40 DualSAMPA (5 FLEX)
  - Design started
  - First prototype in 2016

• FLEX

- 41 lines per FLEX (reduced vs. TDR)
- Design started
- Prototype ordered @ CERN (Rui lab.)

# The Common Readout Unit (CRU)

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- Interface detectors data (GBT fibers) to the DAQ (DDL 3 optical link 10 Gb/s)
- Replace the CROCUS data readout concentrator in MCH
- Common to many detectors: MCH, MID, TPC, ...
- Located in the counting rooms (no SEU issues)
- Present design
  - Based on AMC40 card from LHCb
  - Programmable FPGA (can eventually be used for data formatting/compression)

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# MID Front End Electronics

- Goal: Limit RPC ageing (× 3-5)
- Present FEE without amplification => upgrade with amplification
- Increase of the max. counting rate from ~50 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup> to ~200 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>
- 2384 FEE cards needed (20992 ch)
- R&D program started in 2012
- New ASIC (FEERIC) and FE card
  - ASIC 0.35 µm CMOS technology
  - 8 channels, bi-polarity input
  - Dynamic range from 20 fC < q < 3 pC</li>
  - Resolution <500 ps for q > 100 fC
- Planning
  - LS1 (done) : Equip 1 RPC (/72) in the cavern with 40 FEERIC cards (w/ final ASIC)
  - Run2 : test in realistic conditions (under way) + production
  - LS2 : installation

- FEE: Clermont-Fd / Torino / Korea
- Readout cards: Clermont-Fd
- RPC & Gas system : Torino

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# FEERIC results

### Efficiency

- ▶ Shift by -550 V (thr=130 fC) to -750 V (thr=200 fC) wrt present operating conditions with ADULT 7mV
- Final threshold will depends on background conditions

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# MID readout electronics

- Muon Trigger hw decision not needed anymore=> Muon Identifier (MID)
- Dead-time free readout up to 100 kHz MB in Pb-Pb
  - x100 above present design
  - Continous readout (improved wrt TDR)
  - Fast (~300 ns) simple (no anymore p<sub>T</sub> based) muon trigger decision available
- Replacement of 234 LOCAL and 16 REGIONAL cards
  - 1 CRU in counting room Cavern **Counting room Regional VME-9U crate** GBT CRU<sub>x1</sub> e-link FE trig, data, ctrl S Region Local **RPC detectors** Reg-trk Loc-trk x16 x1 x16
- Planning
  - 2014-2016 : LOCAL and REGIONAL prototypes
  - 2016-2017 : Production
  - LS2 : Installation

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# MUON Software Upgrade

- Discussion on Run 3 computing strategy started
  - Part of the ALICE « Conceptual Design Note about Calibration and Reconstruction »
  - Linked with O<sup>2</sup> working groups 6 & 7
- Basic question: Where do pre-clustering, clustering, tracking, ...
  - In the present software: 80% of the time is devoted to clusteric
  - Expected MUON data rate ~3 GB/s @ 100 kHz

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• Task force created (~10 people, not all FTE)

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### • Run 1

- New phenomena: Charmonia recombination ( $R_{AA}$ ,  $< p_T^2 >$ , J/ $\psi$  flow)
- First results on  $\psi(2S)$ , Y, Low masses, Open HF
- Other topics: photoproduced J/ψ (UPC & hadronic), W, ...

### • Run 2

- Improved statistics (1nb<sup>-1</sup>)
- Conclude in many topics (J/ψ flow, J/ψ polarisation, ψ(2S), Y, ...)
- Run 3/4: Ambitious MUON Upgrade w/ MFT
  - Very high statistics for the present channels (10 nb<sup>-1</sup>) -> very detailed studies
  - Open new physics channels -> Open HF separation, Prompt J/ψ, Low masses, ...
  - Goal: Conclude on the properties of QGP @ LHC

### A very exiting program for Run 2 (while preparing the upgrades) Participation in physics analysis are very welcome

# Backup

# Muon Spectrometer Characteristics

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Muon detection	
Polar, azimuthal angle coverage	$171^\circ \le \theta \le 178^\circ, 360^\circ$
Minimum muon momentum	$4 \mathrm{GeV}/c$
Pseudo-rapidity coverage	$-4.0 < \eta < -2.5$
Front absorber	
Longitudinal position (from IP)	$-5030\mathrm{mm} \le z \le -900\mathrm{mm}$
Total thickness (materials)	$(\sim 10 \lambda_{int}, \sim 60 X_0)$ (carbon-concrete–steel)
Dipole magnet	
Nominal magnetic field, field integral	0.67 T, 3 T m
Free gap between poles	2.972-3.956 m
Overall magnet length	4.97 m
Longitudinal position (from IP)	$-z = 9.94 \mathrm{m}$ (centre of the dipole coils)
Tracking chambers	
No. of stations, no. of planes per station	5, 2
Longitudinal position of stations	$-z = 5357, 6860, 9830, 12920, 14221 \mathrm{mm}$
Anode-cathode gap (equal to wire pitch)	2.1 mm for st. 1; 2.5 mm for st. 2–5
Gas mixture	80%Ar/20%CO <sub>2</sub>
Pad size st. 1 (bending plane)	$4.2 \times 6.3, 4.2 \times 12.6, 4.2 \times 25.2 \text{ mm}^2$
Pad size st. 2 (bending plane)	$5 \times 7.5, 5 \times 15, 5 \times 30 \mathrm{mm^2}$
Pad size st. 3, 4 and 5 (bending plane)	$5 \times 25, 5 \times 50, 5 \times 100 \mathrm{mm^2}$
Max. hit dens. st. 1–5 (central Pb-Pb $\times$ 2)	5.0, 2.1, 0.7, 0.5, $0.6 \cdot 10^{-2}$ hits/cm <sup>2</sup>
Spatial resolution (bending plane)	$\simeq 70\mu\mathrm{m}$
Tracking electronics	
Total no. of FEE channels	$1.08 \times 10^{6}$
Shaping amplifier peaking time	1.2µs
Trigger chambers	
No. of stations, no. of planes per station	2, 2
Longitudinal position of stations	$-z = 16120, 17120 \mathrm{mm}$
Total no. of RPCs, total active surface	$72, \sim 140 \mathrm{m}^2$
Gas gap	single, 2mm
Electrode material and resistivity	Bakelite <sup>TM</sup> , $\rho = 2-8 \times 10^9 \Omega \mathrm{cm}$
Gas mixture	Ar/C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> /i-buthane/SF <sub>6</sub> (50.5/41.3/7.2/1)
Pitch of readout strips (bending plane)	10.6, 21.2, 42.5 mm (for trigger st. 1)
Max. strip occupancy bend. (non bend.) plane	3%(10%) in central Pb-Pb
Maximum hit rate on RPCs	$3 (40) \text{ Hz/cm}^2 \text{ in Pb-Pb (Ar-Ar)}$
Trigger electronics	
Total no. of FEE channels	$2.1 \times 10^{4}$
No. of local trigger cards	234+8

# 2008 JINST 3 S08002