Recent Results from ALICE

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 - pp, p-Pb, Pb-Pb
 - 2.76 TeV, 5.02 TeV, 7 TeV and 13 TeV
 - Bulk Observables
 - Multiplicity, Flow
 - Hard Probes
 - Jets, Heavy Flavor
- ALICE Upgrades



Quark Gluon Plasma

Nuclear Matter under extreme conditions



170 MeV → 2•10¹²K 100,000 times hotter than the sun's core!



Evolution of the Collision



- Bulk measurements (multiplicity, elliptic flow)



Event Categorization



- Centrality relates to impact parameter (b) or amount of overlap
- % refers to total crosssection



- Multiplicity increases with centrality
- N_{coll} = number of binary collisions



The ALICE Detector





Tracking





Particle Identification



Jet reconstruction





Muon Identification





ALICE Data: Run 1

System	Energy √S _{NN}	Year	Integrated	Main Goal
	(IeV)		luminosity	
Pb-Pb	2.76	2010	10 µb ⁻¹	First Pb-Pb data taking at LHC
Pb-Pb	2.76	2011	0.1 nb ⁻¹	Study hot & dense QCD matter
p-Pb & Pb-p	5.02	2013	15 nb ⁻¹ 15 nb ⁻¹	Study Cold Nuclear Matter effects
рр	0.9	2009-10	0.15 nb ⁻¹	Commissioning
рр	7	2010	7 nb⁻¹	
рр	2.76	2011	1.1 nb ⁻¹	Reference for
рр	7	2011	4.8 pb ⁻¹	Pb-Pb and p-Pb
рр	8	2012	9.7 pb⁻¹	



ALICE Data: Run 2 Heavy Ion



- From 2015 Pb-Pb collisions at 5.02 TeV
- Data Collected:
 - Minimum Bias: 19 µb⁻¹
 - EMCal: 126 μb⁻¹
 - Dimuons: 241 μb^{-1}
 - Ultra-peripheral: 139 μb⁻¹



ALICE Data: Run 2 pp



- High multiplicity trigger
 - Look for onset of collectivity in small systems





Results: Bulk Properties





Multiplicity in 5.02 TeV Pb-Pb Collisions <u>Particle density of the medium created</u>

ALICE, PRL116(2016)222302



- Centrality dependence similar to 2.76 TeV trend
- Central (0-5%) Pb-Pb multiplicity, 1943±54, is
 ~ 2.5 times larger than pp collisions
- Peripheral collisions approach pp and p-Pb multiplicities



Multiplicity in 13 TeV pp collisions *Particle density achieved in pp*

ALICE, PLB753 (2016) 319



 Good agreement with PYTHIA and EPOS expectations



Anisotropic flow in Pb-Pb at 5.02 TeV Bulk motion in the QGP

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 $\frac{dN}{d\varphi} \propto 1 + 2v_1 \cos(\varphi - \Psi) + 2v_2 \cos[2(\varphi - \Psi)] + 2v_3 \cos[3(\varphi - \Psi)] + \dots$



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- Flow measured with 4 particle cumulants
- Elliptic flow (v₂) in Pb-Pb collisions at 5.02 TeV similar to 2.76 TeV
 - Recent 2.76 TeV
 publication:
 <u>arXiv:1606.06057</u>

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ALICE, PRL116(2016)132302

- Flow measured with 2 particle cumulants
- Higher order harmonics in Pb-Pb collisions at 5.02 TeV similar to 2.76 TeV



Anisotropic flow in Pb-Pb at 5.02 TeV Bulk motion in the QGP



- Mild increase with collision energy for p_{T} integrated attributed to increase in <p_T>
- Hydrodynamical calculations
 - Supports a low shear viscosity to entropy density ratio (η/s)



Multiplicity dependence of Strangeness in 7 TeV pp collisions



arXiv:1606.07424

- Strange particle production increases vs multiplicity faster than non-strange particles
- First observation of an enhanced production of strange particles in high multiplicity pp collisions
- Not reproduced in MC



Results: Jets





Jets in Pb-Pb at 2.76 TeV Partonic energy loss







Jet suppression observed in Pb-Pb
 Energy loss in QGP



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Charged Jets in p-Pb at 5.02 TeV Cold Nuclear Matter Effects



$$Q_{pPb} = \frac{d_{pPb}^{2N}/d\eta dp_T}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle d^2 N_{pp}/d\eta dp_T}$$

- Charge jets utilize the tracking system only = more statistics
 - Q_{pPb} ~ 1 for all centrality classes
 - No or very little cold nuclear matter effect in this kinematic range
 - Suppression in Pb-Pb is a QGP effect



Jet Shapes in Pb-Pb at 2.76 TeV How are jets modified in the QGP?



- Radial moment, g, is lower in Pb-Pb data compared to PYTHIA
 The jet core is more collimated in Pb-Pb
- p_T dispersion p_T D is higher in Pb-Pb than PYTHIA
 - Fewer jet constituents and/or larger $p_{\scriptscriptstyle T}$ dispersion
- Be aware of jet definitions: These are R=0.2 jets



Jet Shapes in Pb-Pb at 2.76 TeV How are jets modified in the QGP?



- JEWEL (model with QGP effects) gives qualitative agreement with the data
 - JEWEL jets are collimated due to soft particle emission at large angles (outside of R=0.2 jet cone)



Strange Hadron Production in Jets Is there a baryon enhancement in jets?

Baryon enhancement has been observed in Pb-Pb and p-Pb for inclusive particles



- Λ/K⁰_s ratio in jets is significantly lower than the inclusive measurement in both p-Pb and Pb-Pb
- Λ/K⁰_s ratio in jets is consistent with PYTHIA
- Baryon enhancement in p-Pb & Pb-Pb collisions not from jets



High p_T Particle Production in 5.02 TeV Pb-Pb Suppression in a hotter/denser QGP

- Pb-Pb 5.02 TeV suppression similar to 2.76 TeV (common systematics not yet cancelled)
- Well described by models
- Additional constraints on medium properties (ĝ)

$$\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{A}\mathsf{A}}\left(p_{\mathsf{T}}\right) = rac{1}{\langle\mathsf{T}_{\mathsf{A}\mathsf{A}}
angle} rac{dN_{ch}^{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}/dp_{\mathsf{T}}}{d\sigma_{ch}^{pp}/dp_{\mathsf{T}}}$$

Vitev et al., Phys. Rev. D 93 (2016) no.7 | arXiv:1509.02936 Djordjevic et al., arXiv:1601.07852 Majumder et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 109 (2012)| arXiv:1103.0809







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Results: Heavy Flavor







D⁰ meson production in pp at 7 TeV Baseline measurement & constrain theory





- Theories agree with Data
 - Theory uncertainties currently larger than the experimental uncertainties



D⁰ meson production in p-Pb CNM effects on D⁰ meson production

ALICE, arXiv: 1605.07569



- Compatible with no CNM effects
- Cannot yet distinguish between models due to experimental uncertainties
 - More p-Pb data and pp reference coming soon!



D-h correlations in pp and p-Pb CNM effects on c-quark fragmentation



- Measure hadron yield on near and away side of D-meson momentum vector
- Similar correlation functions in both pp and p-Pb for full kinematic range measured
- Charm quark fragmentation appears unmodified by CNM effects



J/Psi suppression in 5.02 TeV Pb-Pb Heavy flavor suppression in the QGP



arXiv:1606.08197

- Suppression observed in 5.02 TeV Pb-Pb
- 15% above 2.76 TeV suppression
- Described by models



Heavy Flavor v₂ in Pb-Pb at 2.76 TeV Do heavy quarks thermalize and flow?

ALICE, arXiv: 1606.00321



- Significant non-zero elliptic flow observed
- Sensitive to transport properties of the QGP
- Models including collisional energy loss and hadronization via coalescence agree with the data



Future Upgrades



Summary

- ALICE has a rich physics program with many important measurements in pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions. This talk only highlighted a few:
 - The QGP flows
 - Jets are quenched in the QGP (no/small CNM effects) and appear more collimated with in an R=0.2 cone. Jet fragmentation appears pp like in both p-Pb and Pb-Pb.
 - Heavy quarks are suppressed and have non-zero v_2 in Pb-Pb collisions. No or little CNM effects observed.
 - Suppression in 5.02 TeV similar to 2.76 TeV Pb-Pb
- ALICE upgrades underway to continue strong data taking performance in the future

