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AFTER@LHC Review

- General motivations and physics cases
- Comprehensive review of implementation options for a Fixed Target program the LHC
- Detector requirements and expected performances
- Physics Projections
 - High-x frontier for particle and astroparticle physics
 - Spin physics
 - Heavy-ion physics

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+ extensive review of physics opportunities with projections

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Why a fixed-target experiment at the LHC?

- High luminosities \rightarrow access to rare probes (heavy quarks)
- High precision Heavy-Ion program between SPS and RHIC top energy
- Access to high Feynman x_F domain ($|x_F| = |p_z|/p_{z max} \rightarrow 1$)
- Variety of atomic mass of the target,
- Large kinematic coverage
- Polarization of the target \rightarrow spin physics at the LHC

Physics program

High-x frontier

- Advance our understanding of high-x gluons, antiquark and heavyquark content in the nucleon & nucleus
- AFTER@LHC data → reduce uncertainties on PDFs, astrophysics calculations



Constraining parton distribution functions



CT14 global analysis, http://hep.pa.msu.edu/cteq/public/

 $rac{1}{2}=rac{1}{2}\Sigma_q+\Sigma_g+L_q+L_g$



Image: Courtesy Brookhaven National Laboratory.

$$rac{1}{2} = rac{1}{2} \Sigma_q + \Sigma_g + L_q + L_g$$
quarks (~30%)

$\Delta \Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta \overline{u} + \Delta d + \Delta \overline{d} + \Delta s + \Delta \overline{s}.$



$$rac{1}{2}=rac{1}{2}\Sigma_q+\Sigma_g+L_q+L_g$$

Angular momentum → quark and gluon dynamics

Transverse Momentum Dependent parton distributions

 \rightarrow proton "image" in transverse and longitudinal momentum space (2+1 dimensions).



S. Fazio - RHIC & AGS

Users' Meeting 2016

The Spin Physics Program

3D mapping of the parton momentum:

- Missing contribution to the proton spin: Gluon and Quark Orbital Angular Momentum L_a and L_a
 - $p+p^{\uparrow} \rightarrow$ (indirect) access to quark L_q , gluon L_g and gluon transverse-momentum dependent PDF
- Determination of the linearly polarized gluons in unpolarized protons





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Heavy-ion collisions

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Heavy-ion collisions at

Figure courtesy of Brookhaven National Laboratory



Fixed-target collisions at LHC

Kinematics

• p+p or p+A with a 7 TeV p on a fixed target

$$\sqrt{s} = \sqrt{2m_N E_p} \approx 115 \, GeV$$

$$y_{CMS} = 0 \Rightarrow y_{Lab} = 4.8$$

• A+A collisions with a 2.76 TeV Pb beam



$$\sqrt{s} \approx 72 \, GeV$$
$$y_{CMS} = 0 \Rightarrow y_{Lab} = 4.3$$

Boost effect \rightarrow access to backward physics



backward physics = large- x_2 physics ($x_F < 0 \rightarrow \text{large } x_2$)

Detector requirements

- Wide rapidity coverage with PID and vertexing capabilities
- Readout rate similar as LHC collider: up to 40 MHz in pp, 300 MHz in pA and 200 kHz in PbA
- Heavy-ion: good detector performance in high-multiplicity events, up to 600 charged tracks per unit of rapidity at η_{lab} ~4



Kinematic coverage: collider vs fixed target



(1) fixed target, $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 115 \text{ GeV}$; (2) fixed target, $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 72 \text{ GeV}$; (3) collider mode, $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$; for $Z_{_{\text{target}}} \sim 0$

Kinematic coverage: collider vs fixed target



LHCb detector



https://lhcb.web.cern.ch/lhcb

(1) fixed target, $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 115 \text{ GeV}$; (2) fixed target, $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 72 \text{ GeV}$; (3) collider mode, $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$; (4) collider mode, $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 5.5 \text{ TeV}$, (5),(6) $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 8.8 \text{ TeV}$



How to make fixed-target collisions with the LHC beams?

- Internal (solid or gas) target + existing detector
 - gas target (unpolarized/polarized) and full LHC beam
 - beam splitting by bent-crystal + internal (solid, pol.?) target
 - internal Wire/Foil target (directly in the beam halo)
- Beam extraction by bent-crystal
 - new beam line + new experiment

Under study within the Physics Beyond Collider working group (https://pbc.web.cern.ch) S. Redaelli et al. Proceedings of IPAC2018 Physics Beyond Collider Working Group meeting June 2018: https://indico.cern.ch/event/706741/



Gas target: storage cell

- Dedicated pumping system
- Polarized H¹ and D¹ injected in open-end storage cell with polarization P ~80% (requires additional polarized gas target)
- Possible polarized ³He⁺ or unpolarized heavy gas (Kr, Xe)
- Expected L_{int} over a year (for 1 m cell):

– p-H
$$\sqrt{s_{_{\rm NN}}}$$
 = 115 GeV, L_{int} ~ 10 fb⁻¹

- Pb-H
$$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$$
 = 72 GeV, L_{int} ~ 100 nb⁻¹

- Pb-Xe
$$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$$
 = 72 GeV, L_{int} ~ 30 nb⁻¹



HERMES-target in the HERA tunnel

proton beam

electron beam

http://www-hermes.desy.de/hedt/pictures/DESY_PR/_

Gas jet target

The hydrogen jet polarimeter

- Used to measure the proton beam polarisation at RHIC
- 9 vacuum chambers, 9 stages of differential pumping
- Polarised free atomic beam source (ABS)
- L_{int} (pH) ~ 50 pb⁻¹ per year



Beam splitting by bent-crystal



 \rightarrow Deflecting the beam halo at 7σ distance to the beam, reduces beam loss \rightarrow Beam splitting: could be used with existing experiment

W. Scandale, PBC workshop 2016, https://indico.cern.ch/event/523655/contributions/2284521/

Fixed Target collisions in collider settings

SMOG-LHCb: the demonstrator of a gas target

System for Measuring Overlap with Gas

Evacuate and leak detector

"pump" valve Flow to VELO Pirani gauge "fill" valve PV501 **High pressure** Piezo gauge restriction **High pressure** "bypass" valve volume PV502 "HP" valve To high pressure

Neon bottle

Luminosity determination with beam gas imaging



SMOG-LHCb: the demonstrator of a gas target

System for Measuring Overlap with Gas



Successful p+Ne, p+Ar, p+He, Pb+Ar, Pb+Ne data taking

Limitations: Limited luminosities; no p+p baseline; no heavy nuclei yet

SMOG data samples



Figure 1: Dedicated SMOG runs collected since 2015. Beam-gas collisions have been recorded using different gas types (He, Ar, Ne) and beam energies.

https://cds.cern.ch/record/2673690/files/LHCB-TDR-020.pdf

SMOG-LHCb data



R. Aaij et al. (LHCb Collaboration) Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 132002 First Measurement of Charm Production in its Fixed-Target Configuration at the LHC

R. Aaij et al. (LHCb Collaboration) Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 132002



Antiproton production in LHCb Fixed Target



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Solenoidal Tracker At RHIC : $-1 < \eta < 1, 0 < \phi < 2\pi$



TOF: PID.

BEMC: PID via E/p, fast online trigger

Fixed-Target Geometry



3.9 GeV Au + Au Test Run

Excellent PID with Time Projection Chamber

Energy Loss in TPC

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Fixed Target in STAR







(a) π^- rapidity density distribution. STAR FXT data are plotted in red circles, while the E895, E892, and E877 AGS results are shown with other point styles. STAR FXT and E895 errors include systematic uncertainty. Open symbols are reflected. The red line is a Gaussian fit.

(b) Lambda rapidity density. STAR FXT data are plotted as red stars. E891 and E877 points are plotted for comparison in black.

K. Meehan / Nuclear Physics A 967 (2017) 808-811

STAR Beam Energy Scan program phase II



Baryon Chemical Potential μ_{B}

- 7.7 GeV is the lowest realistic collider energy
- Critical Point studies need results below 7.7 GeV
- FXT program provides control measurements for critical point and onset of deconfinement

A selection of performance studies

Sensitivity studies - assumptions

LHCb-like

 $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 115 \text{ GeV}, L_{_{int}} (p-H) = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1} / \text{year}$ $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 115 \text{ GeV}, L_{_{int}} (p-Xe) = 100 \text{ pb}^{-1} / \text{year}$ $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 72 \text{ GeV}, L_{_{int}} (Pb-Xe) = 30 \text{ nb}^{-1} / \text{year}$ (Ref at same energy: $L_{_{int}} (p-H) = 250 \text{ pb}^{-1} \text{L}^{\text{int}} (p-Xe) = 2 \text{ pb}^{-1}$)

2 < η < 5



Target Z = 0, microvertexing, particle ID, μ ID

ALICE-like

$$\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 72 \text{ GeV}, L_{_{int}} (Pb-Pb) = 1.6 \text{ nb}^{-1} / \text{year}$$

 $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}} = 115 \text{ GeV}, L_{_{int}} (p-H) = 45 \text{ pb}^{-1} / \text{year}$

 $-0.9 < \eta^{\text{TPC}} < 0.9$



Bent crystal + internal solid target: $Z \sim 0$ + ALICE-like acceptance

Heavy-Ion collisions

Heavy-ion collisions: toward large rapidities



The four scenarios of temperature dependent $\eta T/(\epsilon+P)$, G. Denicol et al, PRL. 116, 212301

Particle yields and v_N at large rapidities \rightarrow powerful tool to constrain the temperature dependence of the medium shear viscosity



Heavy-ion collisions: toward large rapidities



Particle yields and v_N at large rapidities \rightarrow powerful tool to access the medium shear viscosity and temperature

Rapidity scan of the QCD phase diagram

Larger rapidity \rightarrow larger baryon chemical potential $\mu_{\rm B}$

AFTER@LHC: Comparable μ_B range to the RHIC Beam Energy Scan



Probing the nuclear structure

Constraining gluon nPDF with heavy quarks



Constraining quark nPDF with Drell-Yan

Large Drell-Yan yields, wide kinematic reach $(x_2 \rightarrow 1)$, various targets



Also: ideal test of the extrapolation of initial state effects in pA to AA

$$A_N = \frac{1}{P} \frac{\sigma^{\uparrow} - \sigma^{\downarrow}}{\sigma^{\uparrow} + \sigma^{\downarrow}}$$

Possible sources of the asymmetry:

Sivers mechanism

correlation between spin and parton $k_{\scriptscriptstyle T}$

Collinear Twist-3

quark-gluon/gluon-gluon correlation, tri-gluon correlations $\sigma^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}$: production cross sections of particles produced with target spin polarized upward (downward).

P – average beam/target polarization



Ilustrations: S. Fazio - RHIC & AGS Users' Meeting 2016

Orbital angular momentum of quarks and gluons

$$A_N = \frac{1}{P} \frac{\sigma^{\uparrow} - \sigma^{\downarrow}}{\sigma^{\uparrow} + \sigma^{\downarrow}}$$

• $A_N \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{non-zero quark/gluon Sivers function} \rightarrow \text{non-zero quark/gluon OAM}$

• Drell-Yan
$$\rightarrow$$
 access to $f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}^2)$
 $f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}^2)_{Drell-Yan} = -f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}^2)_{Semi-Inclusive DIS}$

• Gluon Sivers effect $_{\rightarrow}$ access via single spin asymmetry of open charm & quarkonia, $J/\psi\text{-}J/\psi,~J/\psi\text{+}\gamma$

Drell-Yan A_N in AFTER

• Precision study of the quark Sivers function with Drell-Yan over a wide kinematic range



AD'AM \rightarrow M. Anselmino, U. D'Alesio, and S. Melis, Adv. High Energy Phys. 2015 (2015) 475040 EIKV \rightarrow M. G. Echevarria, A. Idilbi, Z.-B. Kang, and I. Vitev, Phys. Rev. D89 (2014)

Quarkonia A_N

- Unique access to C-even quarkonia ($\chi_{c,b}$, η_c) + associated production
- A_{N} for all quarkonia (J/ ψ , ψ ', χ_{c} , $\Upsilon(nS)$, χ_{b} & η_{c}) can be measured



GPM: generalised parton model and the color gauge invariant (CGI) of GPM

Quarkonia A_N



Astroparticle physics

Antiproton production at AFTER@ALICE FT



Important inputs for theoretical calculations of the secondary cosmic \overline{p} spectrum. Example: search of dark matter via study of cosmic \overline{p} excess over secondary \overline{p} ALICE is well suited to constrain the uncertainty on the antiproton spectrum.

Antiproton measurements \rightarrow ALICE vs LHCb



Slow antiprotons produced with the LHC proton beam on a nuclear target equivalent to the case when nuclear target travels at TeV energies, hit an interstellar proton at rest and produces an antiproton with high energy.

R. Aaij et al. PRL 121, 222001

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p [GeV/c]

80

100

20

Open heavy flavor



Unique measurement: charm prod. in a y_{cms} domain only accessible by ALICE Measurement of *intrinsic* charm \rightarrow important input for astrophysics Access to high-x nuclear gluon distribution (the least known nuclear PDF)



Implementation options under investigation

• LHCb

- Beam splitting and internal W solid target (with a second crystal) for Electromagnetic Dipole Moment of charmed baryons
- Polarized storage cell gas target for spin physics (SPIN-LHC)
- Unpolarized storage cell gas target (SMOG2)

• ALICE

- Beam splitting and internal solid target
- gas target (to be investigated)

Contribution submitted to European Particle Physics Strategy Update 2018 – 2020

Physics opportunities for a fixed-target programme in the ALICE experiment

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Fixed-target implementations

- Internal solid target + a bent crystal
 - a bent crystal installed prior of the LHC Interaction Point 2
 - deviates the beam halo on a solid target

- Internal gaseous target
 - to be studied



Integrated luminosities with the ALICE detector

		ALICE							
		proton beam ($\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}}$ = 115 GeV)			Pb beam ($\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}}$ = 72 GeV)				
Target		L	Inel. rate	$\int \mathcal{L}$	£	Inel. rate	$\int \mathcal{L}$		
		$[\text{cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}]$	[kHz]		$[\text{cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}]$	[kHz]			
Internal gas target (gas- jet option)	H^{\uparrow}	4.3×10^{30}	168	43 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10^{26}	1	0.56 nb^{-1}		
	H_2	2.6×10^{31}	1000	0.26 fb^{-1}	2.8×10^{28}	50	28 nb ⁻¹		
	\mathbf{D}^{\uparrow}	4.3×10^{30}	309	43 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10^{26}	1.2	0.56 nb^{-1}		
	³ He [↑]	8.5×10^{30}	1000	85 pb ⁻¹	2.0×10^{28}	50	20 nb ⁻¹		
	Xe	7.7×10^{29}	1000	7.7 pb ⁻¹	8.1×10^{27}	50	8.1 nb ⁻¹		
Beam split- ting	С	3.7×10^{30}	1000	37 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10^{27}	18	5.6 nb^{-1}		
	Ti	1.4×10^{30}	1000	14 pb ⁻¹	2.8×10^{27}	13	2.8 nb^{-1}		
	W	5.9×10^{29}	1000	5.9 pb ⁻¹	3.1×10^{27}	21	3.1 nb ⁻¹		

Interaction rate limited to 1 MHz by the expected detector data taking rate Beam splitting: assumed flux:~ $5 \times 10^8 \text{ p/s}$, ~ $2 \times 10^5 \text{ Pb/s}$ (could be lower by 2 order of magnitude)

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Solid target setup

- Inside the L3 solenoid
- Pneumatic motion system with two positions (IN and OUT of the beam pipe)
- Examples of possible target types: Be, Ca, C, Ti, Ni, Cu, Os, Ir, W
- Size: 170 x 50 x 50 mm

Setup for an internal solid target with one target system. Design by IPN Orsay.



Possible target locations and acceptance



LHCb, target z = 0

radial track length), which results in $|\eta| < 1.5$ in a collider mode.

Possible target locations and acceptance



EYETS : Extended Year-End Technical Stop

Recent progress

- Project presented to ALICE Technical Board (C. Hadjidakis, March 2019)
 - Implementation: Internal solid target + a bent crystal
 - K. Pressard (IPN Orsay)



Actuator Tapping Target holder Target

Ø48.4 pipe

- Target installation
 - **Technical constrains** \rightarrow under discussion
 - Vacuum constraints \rightarrow vacuum isolation of IP2 needed
 - Impedance \rightarrow target system can act as an antenna in the pipe, impedance calculation to be carried out in collaboration with/by the LHC impedance group
- Bent crystal
 - Studies ongoing by collimation team for IP8
 - Required: LHC study of machine protection, collimation and operation and possible beam proton and lead fluxes for IP2

ALICE Fixed Target for $Z_{target} = -4.7 \text{ m vs other experiments}$



D⁰ production in p+W collisions for Z_{target} = -4.7 m

pW collisions at $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}}$ = 72 GeV (scaling from pp collisions), D0 \rightarrow K π , L_{int} = 0.6 pb⁻¹


Antiproton production in p+C collisions for $Z_{target} = -4.7 \text{ m}$



New projects under investigation in LHCb

SMOG2 (approved) : addition of an unpolarised storage cell target

- 20 cm long attached to the VELO
- > Injection of unpolarised gas via capillary
- Boost local gas density with same gas flow

Gas species	He	Ne	Ar	Kr	Xe	H_2	D_2	N_2	O ₂
$\theta_{SMOG2}/\theta_{SMOG})$	10.9	24.4	34.5	25.0	31.3	7.7	10.9	28.6	30.3

ightarrow And probably up to a factor x 100 SMOG with an increased gas flow

- Extended target choice : H₂, D₂
- > Better control over injected gas density (i.e over luminosity)
- Projections for SMOG2:







Figure 7: Sketch of the SMOG2 system. The gas is injected via capillary at the center of the storage cell.



CERN-PBC-Notes-2018-007

New projects under investigation in LHCb

LHCSpin (currently not approved) : polarised storage cell target for spin physics in front of LHCb

- > Setup with : Atomic beam source, target chamber, diagnostic system and additional tracking detector
- ➤ Integration constraints: target chamber located at least 1m upstream of the LHCb IP → consequences on the « large-x » reach
- > Projections for Run4 → $L_{int} \sim 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ for pH[↑] collisions ($\Phi \sim 3.8 \times 10^8 \text{ p/s}$, $L_{inst} \sim 4.7 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{.s}^{-1}$, $t \sim 10^7 \text{ s}$)
- R&D needed for the coating (depolarisation)



New projects under investigation in LHCb

Beam splitting with double crystal setup for the measurement of EDM/MDM of charmed baryon (currently not approved)

- > Intense magnetic field between crystal atomic planes induces spin precession during the lifetime of the particle
- > Measurement of MDM of heavy baryons never performed due to their short lifetime
 - → test of QCD calculations, improve current understanding of internal structure of hadrons
- > Measurement of EDM of heavy and strange baryons powerful to probe physics beyond the standard model





Horizon 2020 project STRONG-2020

http://www.strong-2020.eu

44 institutions from 14 EU Member States, Budget: 10 M euro for 4 years (2019 - 2023)

JRA2-FTE@LHC: Fixed Target Experiments at the LHC

Development of novel gas-target techniques to be able to carry out the most energetic fixed-target collisions ever performed in the lab, using the LHC beams at ALICE and LHCb. Evaluation of the novel expected constraints on PDFs at high-x in the proton and nucleus, parton spin dynamics, as well as QGP properties via unique quarkonia measurements.



Horizon 2020 project STRONG-2020

http://www.strong-2020.eu

JRA2-FTE@LHC: Fixed Target Experiments at the LHC

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Partners: FZJ - Frank Rathmann, USC - Elena Ferreiro,

- INFN Pasquale Di Nezza, NCBJ Jakub Wagner,
- WUT Daniel Kikola, LIP Joao Seixas

ALICE Fixed Target group at Warsaw University of Technology

Cooperation with Laboratoire de physique des deux infinis Irène Joliot-Curie, Orsay, France; and Czech Technical University in Prague



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STRONG-2020 Annual Meeting, October 14-15, 2020

Study of performance of ALICE detector with a shifted vertex

First simulations started to study the Time Projection Chamber performance located in the ALICE central barrel with a shifted vertex

Feasibility studies for v_2 and R_{CP}





New SMOG on the horizon

8 May 2020

A report from the LHCb experiment



Fig. 1. Half of the SMOG2 storage cell (black), attached to its wake-field suppressor (black, right) and the VELO RF foil (grey, left). Credit: LHCb

LHCb will soon become the first LHC experiment able to run simultaneously with two separate interaction regions. As part of the ongoing major upgrade of the LHCb detector, the new SMOG₂ fixed-target system will be installed in long shutdown 2. SMOG₂ will replace the previous System for Measuring the Overlap with Gas (SMOG), which injected noble gases into the vacuum vessel of LHCb's vertex detector (VELO) at a low rate with the initial goal of calibrating luminosity measurements. The new system

has several advantages, including the ability to reach effective area densities (and thus luminosities) up to two orders of magnitude higher for the same injected gas flux.

https://cerncourier.com/a/new-smog-on -the-horizon/

STRONG 2020 LHCb – The storage cell





Openable cell



STRONG-2020 Annual Meeting, October 14-15, 2020

Pasquale Di Nezza (INFN-LNF)



The storage cell has been installed

It is the only object present in the LHC primary vacuum



August 2020

Status and summary

- Topic of the Physics Beyond Collider study http://pbc.web.cern.ch/ → LHC fixed target working group
- 3 contributions to European Particle Physics Strategy submitted, positive reception at EPPS Update meeting in Granada 2019
- CERN yellow report: LHC fixed target experiments : Report from the LHC Fixed Target Working Group of the CERN Physics Beyond Colliders Forum,

CERN-2020-004, http://cds.cern.ch/record/2653780

- Ongoing technical and Performance studies within the Horizon
 2020 grant STRONG-2020
- ALICE: If FT project approved: aim for a target installation during Long Shutdown 3



Maximum achievable luminosities with the LHCb detector*

		LHCb									
Target			proton	beam (\sqrt{s}	$\overline{NN} = 115$	Pb beam ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 72 \text{ GeV}$)					
			£	σ_{inel}	Inel rate	∫£	£	σ_{inel}	Inel rate	ſL	
			$[cm^{-2} s^{-1}]$		kHz		[cm ⁻² s ⁻¹]		kHz		
	Gas-Jet	H [↑]	4.3 ×10 ³⁰	39 mb	168	43 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10 ²⁶	1.8 b	1	0.56 nb ⁻¹	
		H_2	1.0 ×10 ³³	39 mb	40000	10 fb^{-1}	1.18 ×10 ²⁹	1.8 b	212	118 nb^{-1}	
		D^{\uparrow}	4.3 ×10 ³⁰	72 mb	309	43 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10 ²⁶	2.2 b	1.2	0.56 nb ⁻¹	
		³ He [↑]	3.4 ×10 ³²	117 mb	40000	3.4 fb^{-1}	4.7×10^{28}	2.5 b	118	47 nb ⁻¹	
Internal gas		Xe	3.1×10^{31}	1.3 b	40000	0.31 fb ⁻¹	2.3×10^{28}	6.2 b	186	23 nb-1	
target		\mathbf{H}^{\uparrow}	0.92×10^{33}	39 mb	35880	9.2 fb ⁻¹	1.18×10 ²⁹	1.8 b	212	118 nb ⁻¹	
		H_2	1.0×10^{33}	39 mb	40000	10 fb ⁻¹	1.18 ×10 ²⁹	1.8 b	212	118 nb ⁻¹	
	Storage	\mathbf{D}^{\uparrow}	5.6 ×10 ³²	72 mb	40000	5.6 fb ⁻¹	8.82 ×10 ²⁸	2.2 b	194	88 nb ⁻¹	
	Cen	³ He [↑]	1.3 ×10 ³³	117 mb	40000	13 fb ⁻¹	8.25 ×10 ²⁸	2.5 b	206	83 nb ⁻¹	
		Xe	3.1 ×10 ³¹	1.3 b	40000	$0.31 \ \mathrm{fb}^{-1}$	3.0×10^{28}	6.2 b	186	30 nb ⁻¹	

* Assuming LHCb runs the full year in parallel in fixed target and collider mode. The storage cell is considered to be 1m long.

Maximum readout rate considered (40MHz in pp and 5MHz in AA). In PbA collisions, the rate is also limited by the beam lifetime (no more than 15% of the Pb beam flux used)

Prospects for (high-luminosity) fixed-target opportunities at the LHC - L. Massacrier

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Max. integrated luminosities with the LHCb detector

			LHCb									
		proton	proton beam ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 115 \text{ GeV}$)					Pb beam ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 72 \text{ GeV}$)				
Target	Target			σ_{inel}	Inel	∫L	L	σ_{inel}	Inel	∫L		
					rate				rate			
					kHz		$[cm^{-2} s^{-1}]$		kHz			
		H1	4.3 ×10 ³⁰	39 mb	168	43 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10 ²⁶	1.8 b	1	0.56 nb ⁻¹		
	Gas-Jet	H_2	1.0×10^{33}	39 mb	40000	10 fb^{-1}	1.18×10^{29}	1.8 b	212	118 nb^{-1}		
		\mathbf{D}^{\uparrow}	4.3×10^{30}	72 mb	309	43 pb^{-1}	5.6×10^{26}	2.2 b	1.2	0.56 nb^{-1}		
		³ He [↑]	3.4×10^{32}	117 mb	40000	3.4 fb ⁻¹	4.7×10^{28}	2.5 b	118	47 nb^{-1}		
Internal gas		Xe	3.1×10^{31}	1.3 b	40000	0.31 fb ⁻¹	2.3×10^{28}	6.2 b	186	23 nb ⁻¹		
target		H^{\uparrow}	0.92×10^{33}	39 mb	35880	9.2 fb ⁻¹	1.18×10^{29}	1.8 b	212	118 nb ⁻¹		
	Storage	H ₂	1.0×10^{33}	39 mb	40000	$10 {\rm fb}^{-1}$	1.18×10^{29}	1.8 b	212	118 nb ⁻¹		
		\mathbf{D}^{\uparrow}	5.6 ×10 ³²	72 mb	40000	5.6fb^{-1}	8.82×10^{28}	2.2 b	194	88 nb^{-1}		
		³ He [↑]	1.3×10^{33}	117 mb	40000	13 fb^{-1}	8.25×10^{28}	2.5 b	206	83 nb ⁻¹		
		Xe	3.1×10^{31}	1.3 b	40000	$0.31 \ fb^{-1}$	3.0×10^{28}	6.2 b	186	30 nb^{-1}		

Maximum readout rate considered (40 MHz in pp and 5 MHz in AA). I m long storage cell



J/ ψ and Υ in p+p

- Typically 10⁹ charmonia, 10⁶ bottomonia per year
- Unique access to C-even quarkonia ($\chi_{c,b}$, η_c) + associated production
- A_{N} for all quarkonia (J/ ψ , ψ ', χ_{c} , $\Upsilon(nS)$, χ_{b} & η_{c}) can be measured



 $\frac{1}{\mathcal{P}_{\text{eff}}} \frac{\sigma^{\uparrow} - \sigma^{\downarrow}}{\sigma^{\uparrow} + \sigma^{\downarrow}}$

Available Luminosities

ALICE

FT Luminosities comparable with nominal LHC luminosities

ies			ALICE										
				beam (\sqrt{s}	_{NN} = 115	Pb beam ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 72 \text{ GeV}$)							
Target	Target		\mathcal{L} σ_{inel}		Inel $\int \mathcal{L}$ rate		£	-	Incl fr				
			[cm ⁻² s ⁻¹]		[kHz]		[cm ⁻² s ⁻¹]		[kHz]				
		H↑	4.3 ×10 ³⁰	39 mb	168	43 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10 ²⁶	1.8 b	1	0.56 nb-			
	Can Lat	H ₂	2.6×10^{31}	39 mb	1000	0.26 fb ⁻¹	2.8×10^{28}	1.8 b	50	28 nb ⁻¹			
	Gas-Jet	\mathbf{D}^{\uparrow}	4.3×10^{30}	72 mb	309	43 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10 ²⁶	2.2 b	1.2	0.56 nb ⁻			
L 1		³ He [↑]	8.5 ×10 ³⁰	117 mb	1000	85 pb ⁻¹	2.0×10^{28}	2.5 b	50	20 nb ⁻¹			
Internal		Xe	7.7 ×10 ²⁹	1.3 b	1000	7.7 pb ⁻¹	8.1×10 ²⁷	6.2 b	50	8.1 nb ⁻¹			
gas target		H↑	2.6 ×10 ³¹	39 mb	1000	0.26 fb ⁻¹	2.8×10^{28}	1.8 b	50	28 nb ⁻¹			
		H ₂	2.6×10^{31}	39 mb	1000	0.26 fb ⁻¹	2.8×10^{28}	1.8 b	50	28 nb ⁻¹			
	Storage	D [↑]	1.4×10^{31}	72 mb	1000	140 pb ⁻¹	2.2×10^{28}	2.2 b	50	22 nb ⁻¹			
	Cell	³ He [↑]	8.5 ×10 ³⁰	117 mb	1000	85 pb ⁻¹	2.0×10^{28}	2.5 b	50	20 nb ⁻¹			
	2	Xe	7.7 ×10 ²⁹	1.3 b	1000	7.7 pb ⁻¹	8.1×10 ²⁷	6.2 b	50	8.1 nb ⁻¹			
Internal		C (500 µm)	2.8×10^{30}	271 mb	760	28 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10 ²⁶	3.3 b	1.8	0.56 nb-			
solid tar-	Wire	Ti (500 μm)	1.4×10^{30}	694 mb	971	14 pb ⁻¹	2.8×10^{26}	4.7 b	1.3	0.28 nb-			
beam	Target	W (184 µm)	5.9 ×10 ²⁹	1.7b	1000	5.9 pb ⁻¹	-	-	-	-			
halo		W (500 µm)	-	-	-	-	3.1×10^{26}	6.9 b	2.1	0.31 nb-			
	E1020	NH [↑] ₃	2.6 ×10 ³¹	39 mb	1000	0.26 fb ⁻¹	1.4×10^{28}	1.8 b	25	14 nb ⁻¹			
	E1039	ND [†]	1.4×10^{31}	72 mb	1000	140 pb ⁻¹	1.4×10^{28}	2.2 b	30	14 nb ⁻¹			
Beam		C (658 µm)	3.7 ×10 ³⁰	271 mb	1000	37 pb ⁻¹	-	-	-	-			
splitting		C (5 mm)	-	-	-	-	5.6×10 ²⁷	3.3 b	18	5.6 nb ⁻¹			
	Unpol-	Ti (515 μm)	1.4×10^{30}	694 mb	1000	14 pb ⁻¹	-	-	-	-			
	arised	Ti (5 mm)	-	-	-	-	2.8×10 ²⁷	4.7 b	13	2.8 nb ⁻¹			
	target	W(184 µm)	5.9 ×10 ²⁹	1.7b	1000	5.9 pb ⁻¹	-	-	-	-			
	Ber	W(5 mm)	-	-	-	-	3.1×10 ²⁷	6.9 b	21	3.1 nb ⁻¹			

Available Luminosities			LHCb									
							proton beam ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 115 \text{ GeV}$)					
	Target			L	σ_{inel}	Inel rate	∫L	L	σ_{inel}	Inel rate	∫L	
LHCb				[cm ⁻² s ⁻¹]		kHz		$[cm^{-2} s^{-1}]$		kHz		
			\mathbf{H}^{\uparrow}	4.3 ×10 ³⁰	39 mb	168	43 pb ⁻¹	5.6×10 ²⁶	1.8 b	1	0.56 nb ⁻¹	
			H ₂	1.0×10^{33}	39 mb	40000	10 fb ⁻¹	1.18×10 ²⁹	1.8 b	212	118 nb ⁻¹	
		Gas-Jet	\mathbf{D}^{\uparrow}	4.3×10 ³⁰	72 mb	309	43 pb ⁻¹	5.6 ×10 ²⁶	2.2 b	1.2	0.56 nb ⁻¹	
			³ He [†]	3.4×10^{32}	117 mb	40000	3.4 fb ⁻¹	4.7 ×10 ²⁸	2.5 b	118	47 nb ⁻¹	
	Internal gas		Xe	3.1×10^{31}	1.3 b	40000	0.31 fb ⁻¹	2.3×10^{28}	6.2 b	186	23 nb ⁻¹	
	target	Storage Cell	\mathbf{H}^{\uparrow}	0.92×10^{33}	39 mb	35880	9.2 fb ⁻¹	1.18×10^{29}	1.8 b	212	118 nb ⁻¹	
			H ₂	1.0×10^{33}	39 mb	40000	10 fb ⁻¹	1.18×10^{29}	1.8 b	212	118 nb ⁻¹	
			\mathbf{D}^{\uparrow}	5.6×10^{32}	72 mb	40000	5.6 fb ⁻¹	8.82 ×10 ²⁸	2.2 b	194	88 nb ⁻¹	
			³ He [†]	1.3×10^{33}	117 mb	40000	13 fb ⁻¹	8.25 ×10 ²⁸	2.5 b	206	83 nb ⁻¹	
			Xe	3.1 ×10 ³¹	1.3 b	40000	0.31 fb ⁻¹	3.0 ×10 ²⁸	6.2 b	186	30 nb ⁻¹	
	Internal	Wire Target	C (500 µm)	2.8×10^{30}	271 mb	760	28 pb ⁻¹	5.6 ×10 ²⁶	3.3 b	1.8	0.56 nb ⁻¹	
	on beam		Ti (500 μm)	1.4×10^{30}	694 mb	972	14 pb ⁻¹	2.8×10^{26}	4.7 b	1.3	0.28 nb ⁻¹	
	halo		W (500 µm)	1.6×10^{30}	1.7 b	2720	16 pb ⁻¹	3.1 ×10 ²⁶	6.9 b	2.1	0.31 nb ⁻¹	
		E1039	NH_3^{\uparrow}	7.2×10^{31}	39 mb	2808	0.72 fb ⁻¹	1.4×10^{28}	1.8 b	25	14 nb ⁻¹	
	Baam	11057	ND_3^{\uparrow}	7.2×10^{31}	72 mb	5100	0.72 fb ⁻¹	1.4×10^{28}	2.2 b	30	14 nb ⁻¹	
	splitting	Unpol-	C (5 mm)	2.8×10^{31}	271 mb	7600	280 pb ⁻¹	5.6 ×10 ²⁷	3.3 b	18	5.6 nb ⁻¹	
		solid	Ti (5 mm)	1.4×10^{31}	694 mb	9720	140 pb ⁻¹	2.8 ×10 ²⁷	4.7 b	13	2.8 nb ⁻¹	
		target	W (5 mm)	1.6×10^{31}	1.7 b	27200	160 pb ⁻¹	3.1 ×10 ²⁷	6.9 b	21	3.1 nb ⁻¹	

Physics opportunities in AFTER @ LHC

Physics opportunities of a fixed-target experiment using LHC beams Physics Reports 522 (2013) 239

Ideas for a fixed target experiment at LHC in a Special Issue in Advances in High Energy Physics:

Advances in High Energy Physics, Volume 2015 (2015)

- Heavy-ion physics
- Exclusive reactions
- Spin physics studies
- Hadron structure
- Feasibility study and technical ideas

Test o factorization of initial state effects in A+A

Drell Yan:

Few Body Syst. 58 (2017) no.4, 139

- initial state production, not significant interaction with nuclear medium
- ideal test of the extrapolation of initial state effects in pA to AA



$J\!/\psi$ and Υ yields

Typically 10⁹ charmonia, 10⁶ bottomonia per year



Quarkonium in "cold" and "hot" mater studies

Determination of thermodynamic properties of QGP + cold nuclear matter effects with Υ (nS) production in pp, pA, AA





Figure 3: Left: Typical kinematical reach in x_2 and the scale (chosen to be m_T) of the fixed-target mode with a detector acceptance like ALICE. Right: Kinematical reach for Drell-Yan lepton-pair production with an ALICE-like detector in pXe collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 115$ GeV with an acceptance of $2.5 < \eta_{\mu}^{\text{lab}} < 4$ and $p_T^{\mu} > 1.2$ GeV. Colours correspond to expected yields of the Drell-Yan signal in each kinematical region, and each coloured cell contains at least 30 events.

Measuring Magnetic and Electric Moments of charm baryons with bended crystal

The basic principle of the measurement - II

Protons are channeled by a crystal put in the halo and sent against a target. Polarised charm baryons are produced and channeled by a second long crystal



Fixed target experiment to produce polarised baryons Angular analysis of baryon decays to measure the final polarisation.

Two crucial parameters α and P

, Physics Beyond Colliders annual workshop, CERN, 2017, https://indico.cern.ch/event/644287/contributions/2724478/

Heavy-favour studies: kinematical ranges



- Left: for LHCb based on 10 fb⁻¹ of data
- Right : for ALICE based on a P_T cut (to be improved with 0.25 fb⁻¹ of data) 101/105

J-P. Lansberg, PBC November 2017

R. Fatemi, *The RHIC cold QCD plan for 2017 to 2023: a portal to the EIC, https://indico.cern.ch/event/* 570680/contributions/ 2310058/



The range in a quark (or gluon) momentum fraction x vs. the square of the momentum transfer Q^2 in a given process, accessible in the proposed Electron-Ion Collider (**EIC**), future experiments with 12 GeV electron beam in the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (Jefferson Lab, **Jlab 12**), compared to existing data.. 102/105



The full spatial (b_{T}) and transverse momentum (k_{T}) dependent structure of partons in the nucleon as a function of the longitudinal momentum fraction of the partons is encoded in the Wigner function W(x,k_T,b_T), which currently is not accessible in experiments

Arxiv:1501.01220

COMPASS, Eur.Phys.J. C64 (2009) 171-179. Polarised Muon DIS



Little D_{LL} data at large negative x_{F}



Polarized target at ALICE

- ALICE excellent PID, $x \rightarrow 1$
- Measurement of spin transfer $\mathsf{D}_{\scriptscriptstyle LL}$ to strange barons
 - access to Δs and $\Delta \overline{s}$ (implications for astrophysics)

$$D_{\rm LL} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{pp^+ \to \Lambda^+} - \sigma_{pp^+ \to \Lambda^-}}{\sigma_{pp^+ \to \Lambda^+} + \sigma_{pp^+ \to \Lambda^-}}$$

D_{LL} sensitive to polarized quark densities, and polarized fragmentation functions.



Longitudinal spin transfer D_{LL} to Λ baryons

- Unique rapidity coverage with the ALICE central barrel
- Access to the strange guark polarized PDF at $x \rightarrow 1$

$$D_{LL} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{pp^+ \to \Lambda^+} - \sigma_{pp^+ \to \Lambda^-}}{\sigma_{pp^+ \to \Lambda^+} + \sigma_{pp^+ \to \Lambda^-}}$$
ALICE-like, $Z_{target} \sim 0$

$$\stackrel{\leq \exists}{=}_{0.1} \int_{0.1}^{p+p \sqrt{s} = 115 \text{ GeV}, \ L_{pp} = 45 \text{ pb}^{-1}}_{eff. \text{ pol}. \ P = 0.8, \ = 0.8}} \int_{0.1}^{p+p \sqrt{s} = 115 \text{ GeV}, \ L_{pp} = 45 \text{ pb}^{-1}}_{p_{T} [\text{GeV/c}]}$$