

ALICE Upgrade

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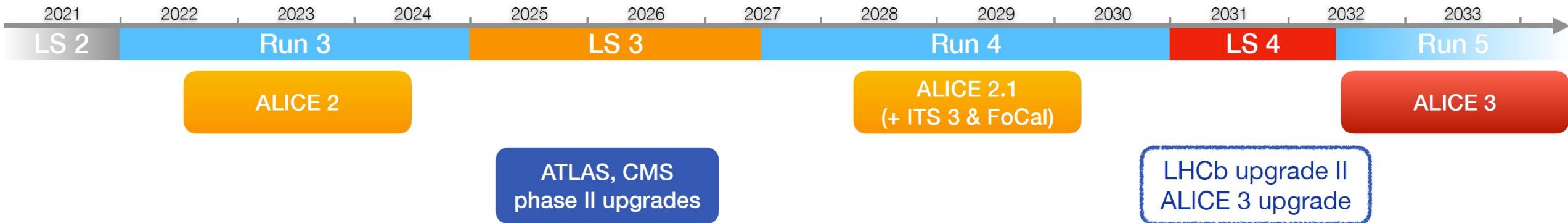


Outline

- Overview of ALICE Detector Upgrade program
- ALICE 2: LS2 and Run 3 pilot beam
- ALICE 2.1: Run 4
- ALICE 3: Run 5 and beyond
- Summary and outlook

ALICE detector upgrade program

- ALICE 2: **Achievement today** (LS2 & Run 3, by 2021)
- ALICE 2.1: **New hope tomorrow** (LS3 & Run 4)
- ALICE 3: **The day after tomorrow** (Run 5 and beyond)



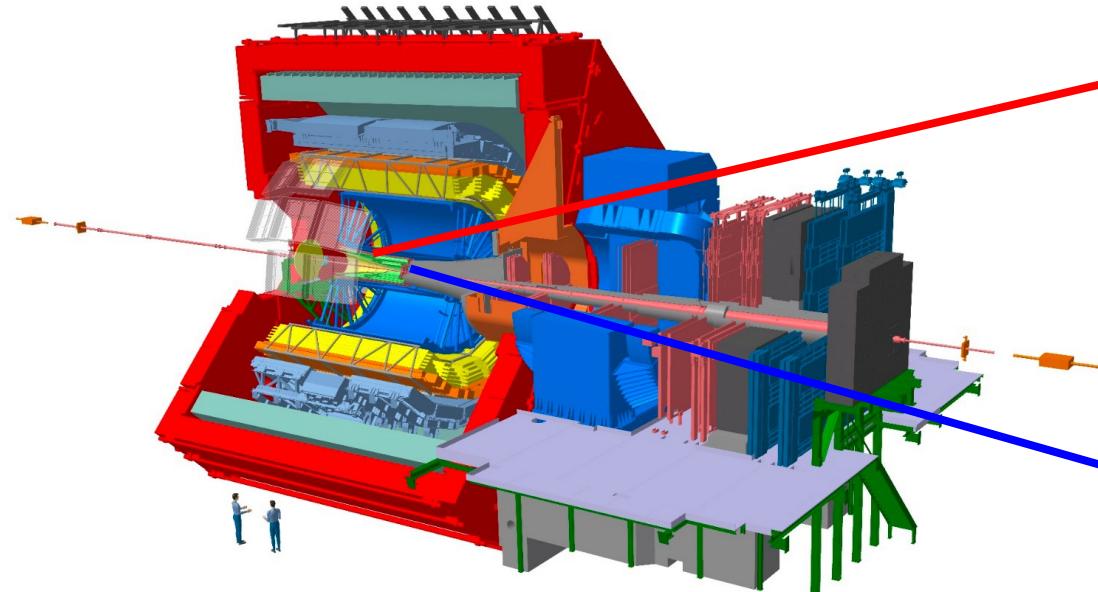
ALICE 2: The upgrades ready for Run 3

- Chinese contribution in **colored text**

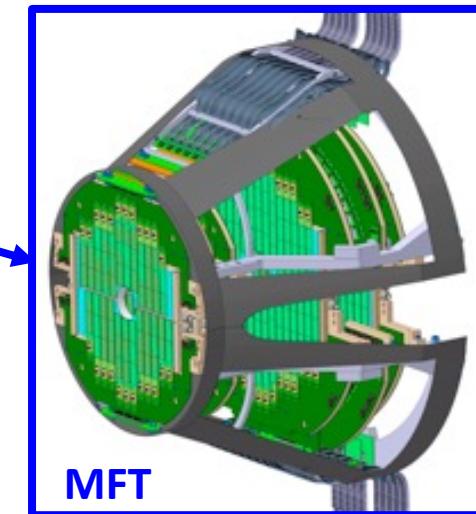
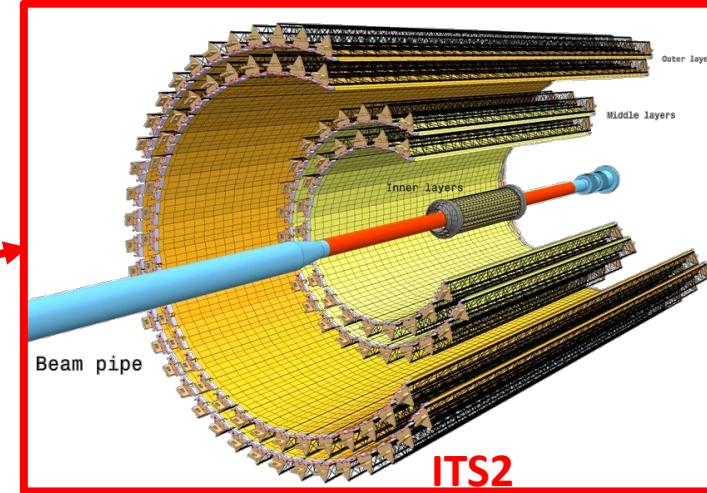
Tracking detectors upgraded: **Inner Tracking System (ITS2)**

Time Projection Chamber (GEM)

Muon Forward Tracker (MFT)

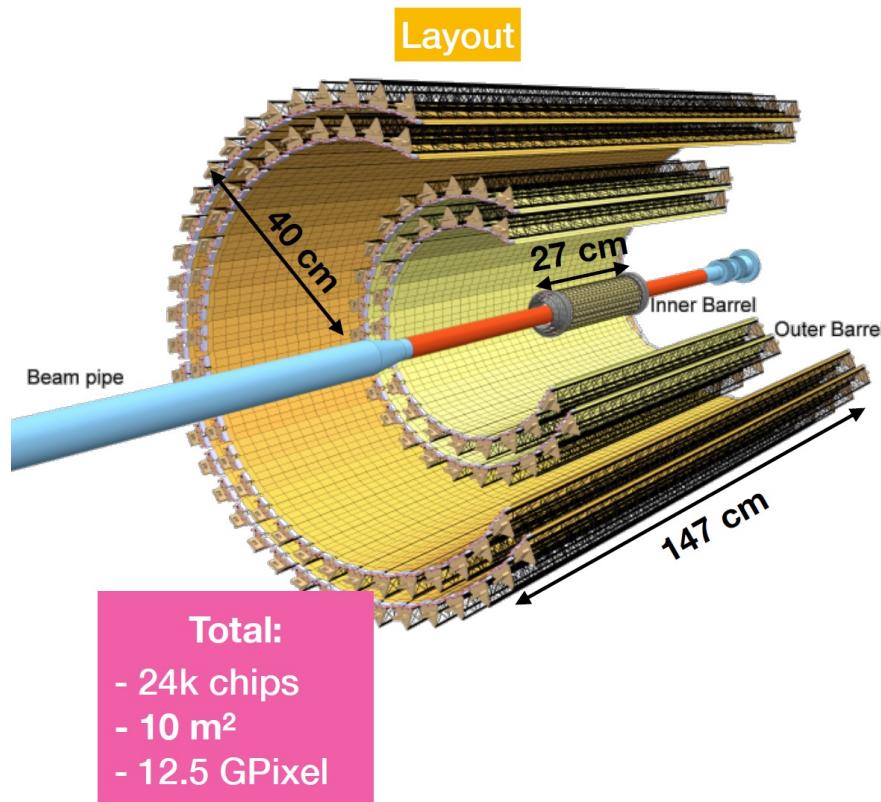


- Other upgrades:
- Fast Interaction Trigger (FIT)
 - Integrated Online-Offline system (O^2)
 - record minimum bias Pb-Pb data at $> 50\text{kHz}$
 - Detector readout electronics



ITS2: improve tracking at low p_T

- ITS2 fully commissioned 2021



Inner Barrel (IB)

3 Inner Layers: 12+16+20 Staves
1 Module / Stave

9 sensors per Module

96 Modules produced
(2 Inner Barrels + spares)

Flexible PCB

9 sensors

Cold Plate

Space Frame

Outer Barrel (OB)

2 Middle Layers: 30+24 Staves
2×4 Modules / Stave

2 Outer Layers: 42+48 Staves
2×7 Modules / Stave

2×7 sensors / Module
(Middle and Outer Layers are equipped with the same Module Type)

1880 Modules produced
(including spares)

Power Bus

Flexible PCB

2 x 7 sensors

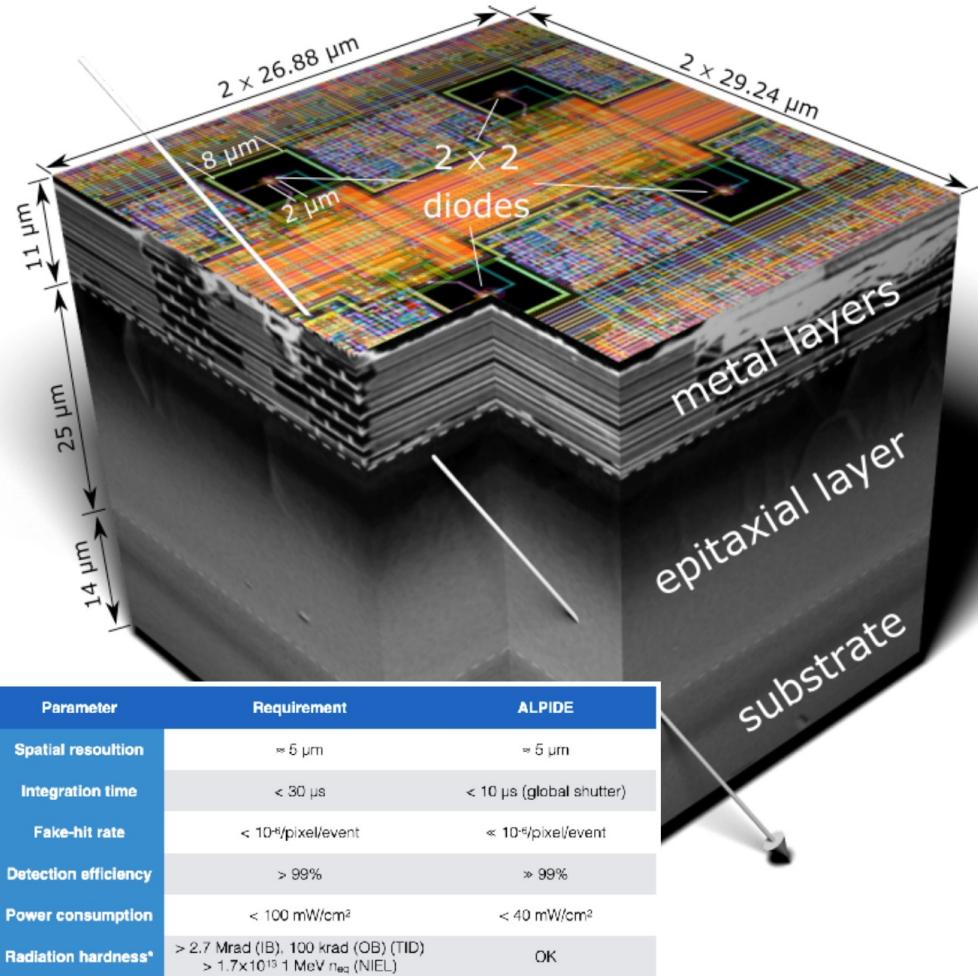
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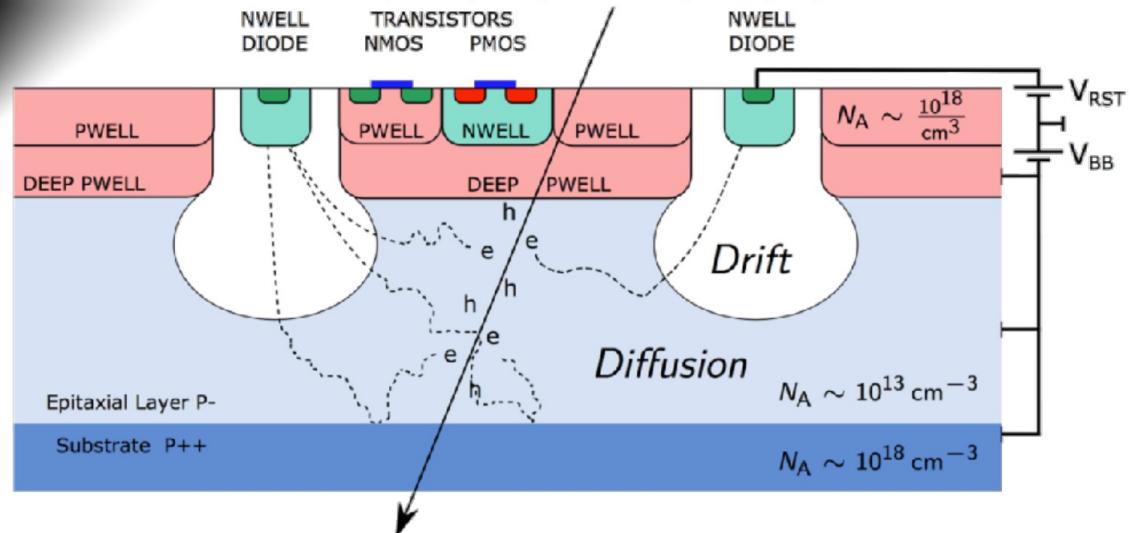
Half-Stave

ITS2 realization with ALPIDE

- ALPIDE technology



- ▶ **Process:** TowerJazz 180 nm CIS
 - deep p-well to allow CMOS circuitry inside matrix
 - reverse-substrate bias
- ▶ **Detection layer:** 25 μm high-resistive ($> 1 \text{ k}\Omega\text{cm}$) epitaxial layer
- ▶ **Thickness:** 100 μm (OB) or 50 μm (IB)



ITS2 realization with ALPIDE

- ALPIDE functionality

- ▶ In-pixel circuitry

- continuously active, low-power (40 nW) front-end
 - 3-level multiple-event memory
 - masking and analog+digital testing circuitry (each pixel)

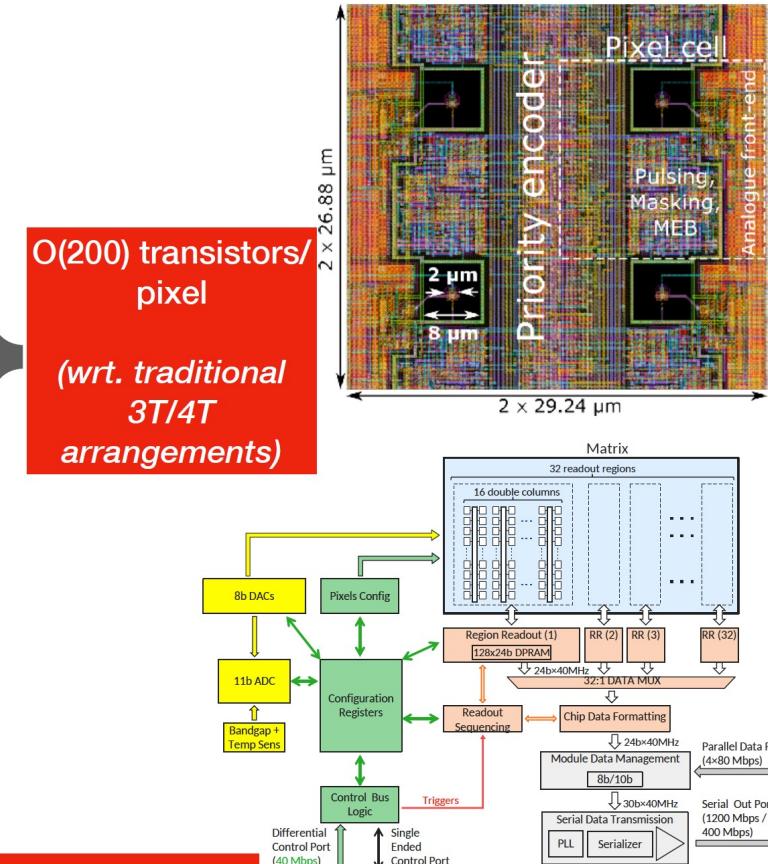
- ▶ Column readout

- priority encoder, asynchronous, hit-driven

- ▶ Periphery

- event handling (global shutter)
 - data transmission, directly drives 8 m-long cables

This marks a new level of integration density for MAPS



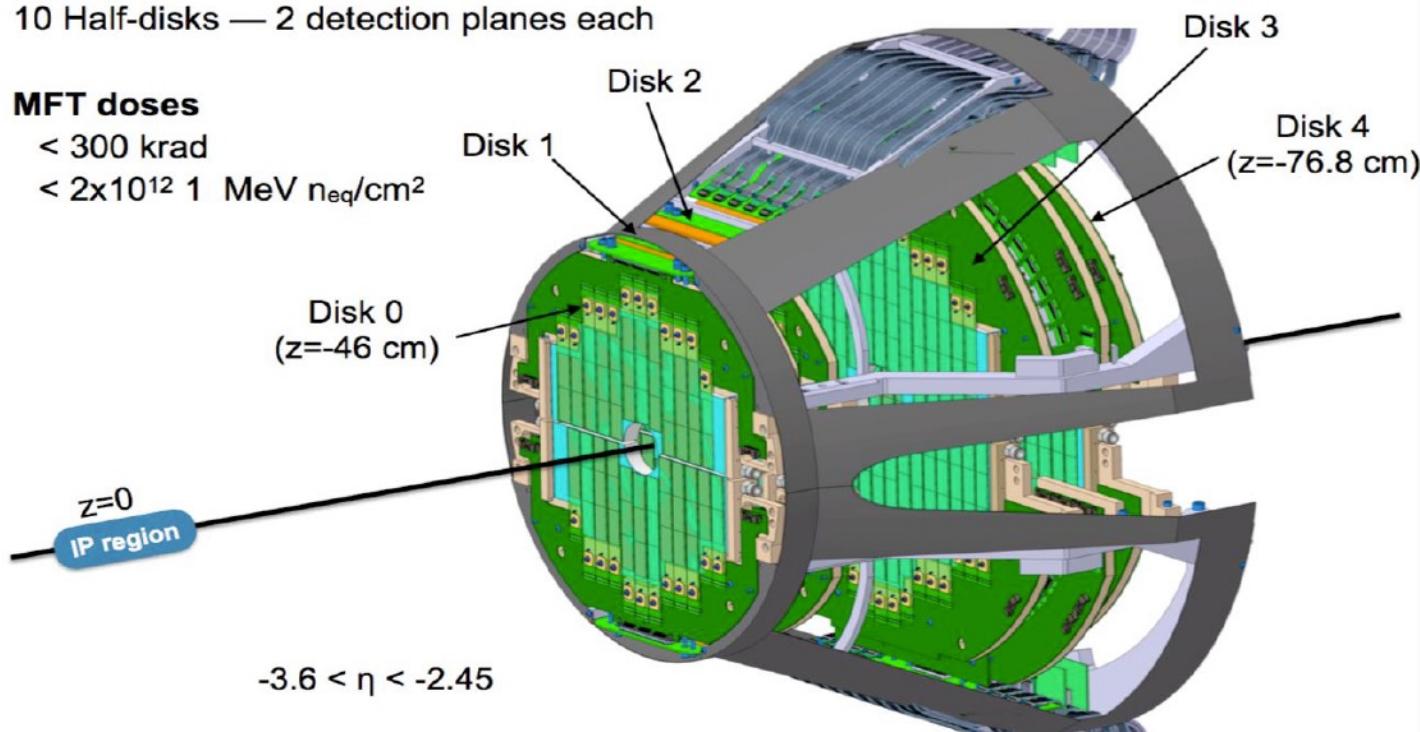
MFT: precise vertexing of forward muons

- New detector: the **Muon Forward Tracker**
- Vertex tracker for the Muon Spectrometer, to be installed between the interaction point and the hadron absorber ($-3.6 < \eta < -2.5$)
- 920 silicon pixel sensors (0.4 m^2) in 280 ladders of 2 to 5 sensors each

10 Half-disks — 2 detection planes each

MFT doses

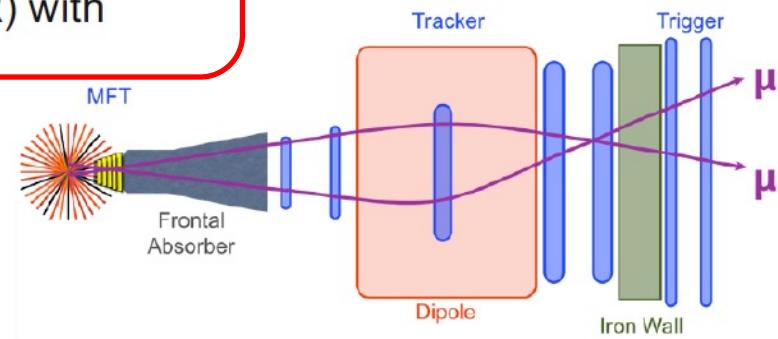
- $< 300 \text{ krad}$
- $< 2 \times 10^{12} \text{ } 1 \text{ MeV n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$



Continuous readout for all systems

(Common Readout Unit), for muons:

- **MCH** upgrade with SAMPA ASIC
- **MID** (upgrade of MTR) with FEERIC ASIC



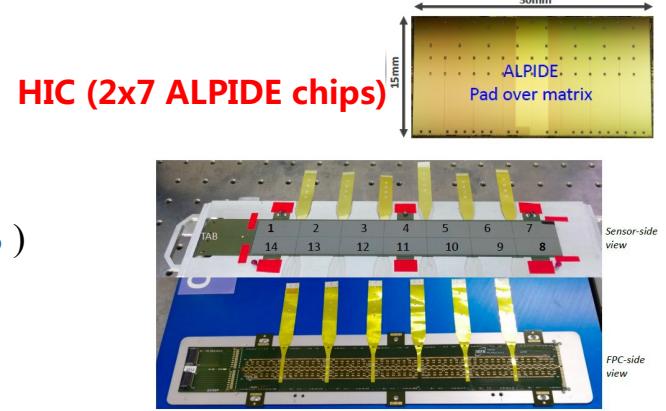
- Based on same MAPS as ITS upgrade

- 2212 chips in total
- 5 disks with 2 planes on each disk
- Enables better matching to vertex

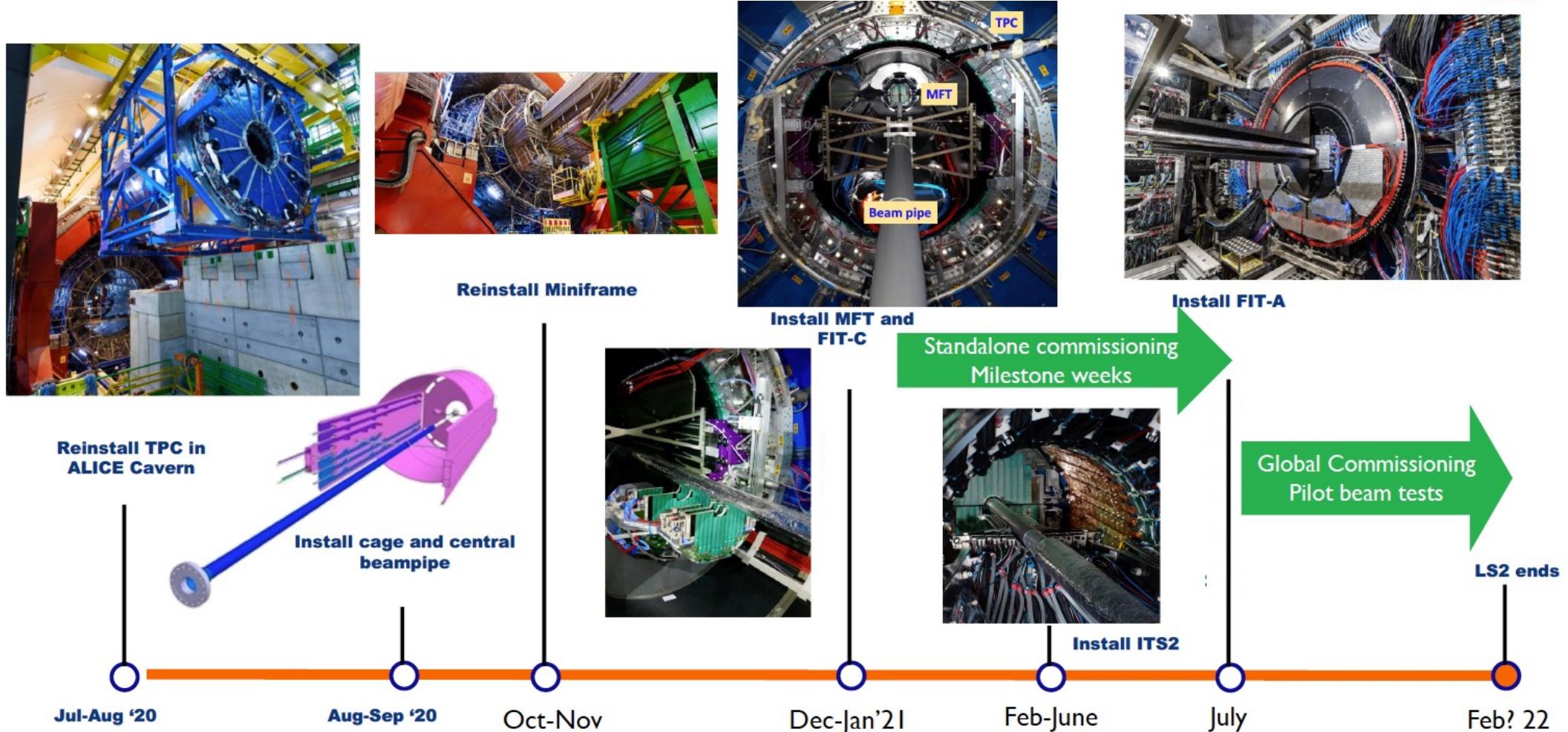
- Charm/beauty separation possible
- Improved mass resolution

Chinese contribution to ALICE 2

- Role in ALICE/ITS2 Silicon Pixel Detector Upgrade
 - Joint R&D plus testing of ALPIDE chip
 - Production and testing of ALICE/ITS2 Hybrid-IC
 - ✓ 450 HIC modules produced and tested by China group (**error < 5 mm, qualified > 85%**)
 - ✓ ITS2 commission run and on-site shift, readout testing, setup of data QA framework
 - **Build a silicon pixel chip factory of high precision IC, testing and mass production**
 - **Form a team holding core technologies**
- Role in ALICE/MFT Detector R&D
 - Readout PCB, including **design, production and testing** (5 MFT Discs)



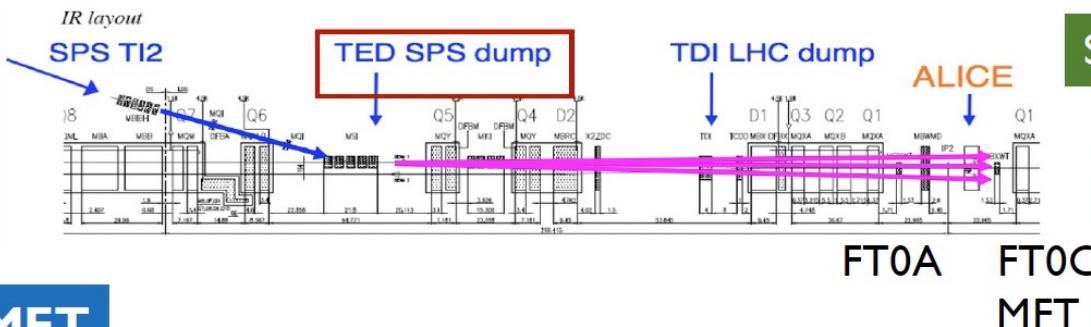
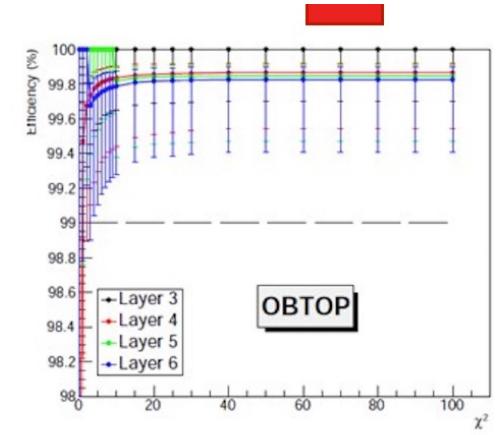
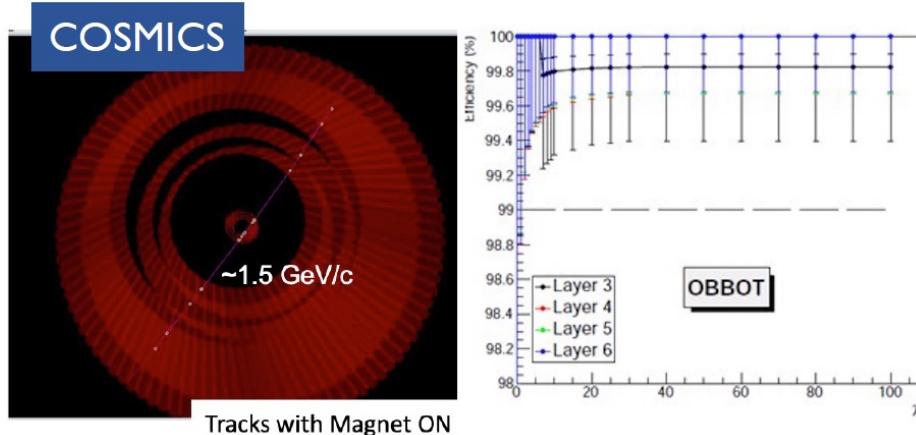
Installation during LS2



Global commissioning: ITS2 and MFT

ITS2

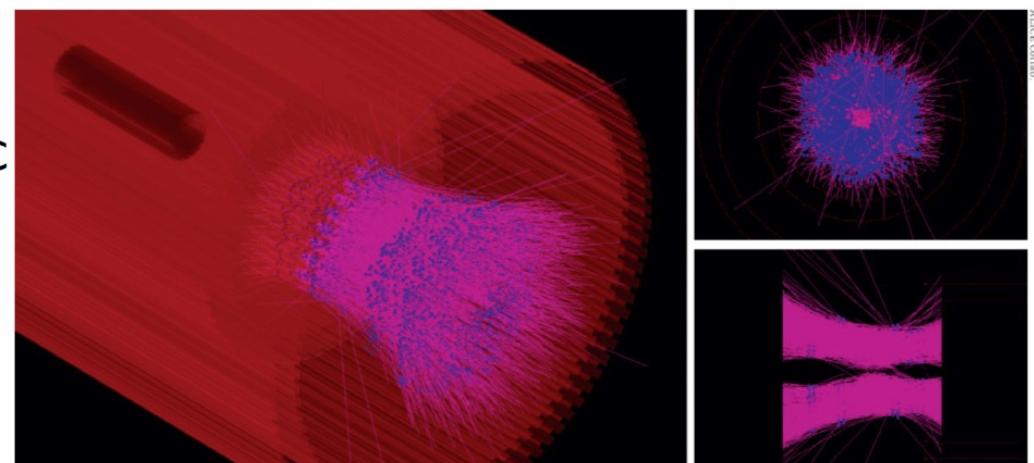
- **Noise calibration**
 - fake-hit rate: $10^{-8}/\text{pixel/event}$
- **Cosmic data taking**
 - **Online clustering and tracking**
 - **Offline analysis advanced**
- **Detector fully efficient**
 - **>99% of IB and OB**



MFT

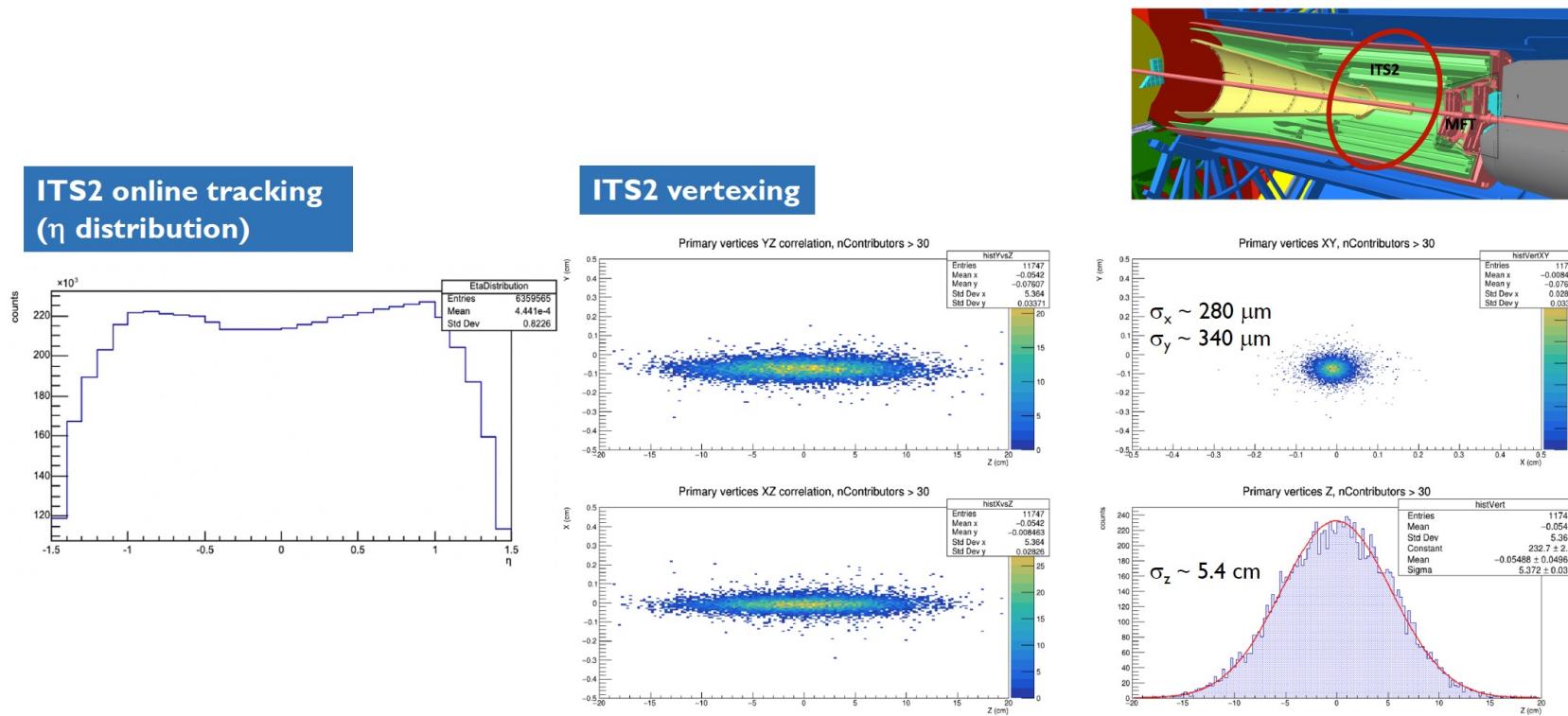
- **Noise pixel masking**
- **Online clustering and online tracking validated using TED shots**

Splashes of muons from TED beam dump during TI2 tests



Run 3 pilot beam

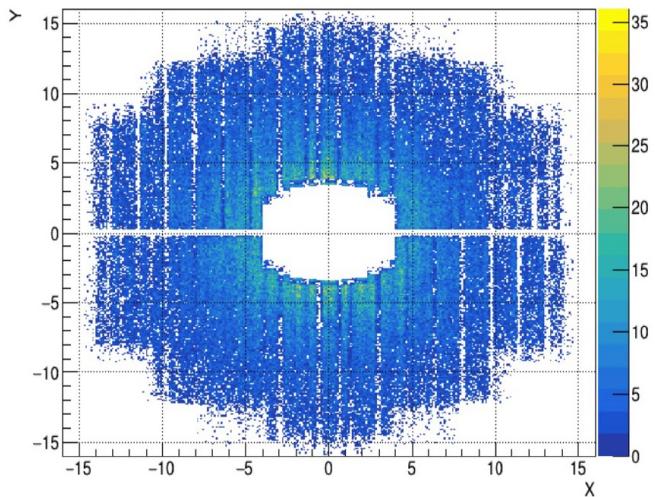
- **5 days: 27-31/10/2021**
- **12 fills with different filling scheme, solenoid with different configurations (0.2T, -0.2T, 0 T)**
- **19 good runs in total → 1455 mins (~58M events)**
 - QC on FLP/EPN + Sync Reco + Event Display + TF/CTF writing (→ data on grid)
- **Reconstruction experts available for quick checks on the first data on disk!**



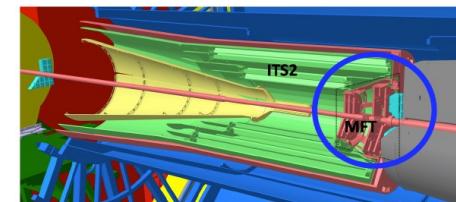
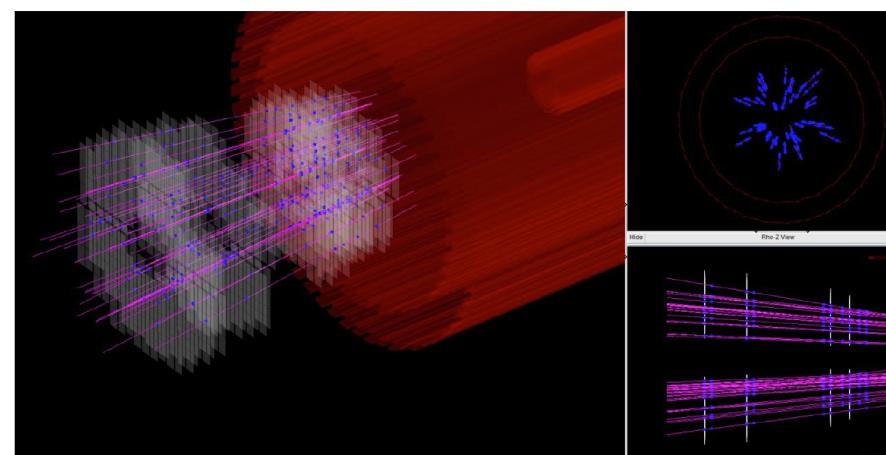
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MFT cluster distribution



MFT tracking



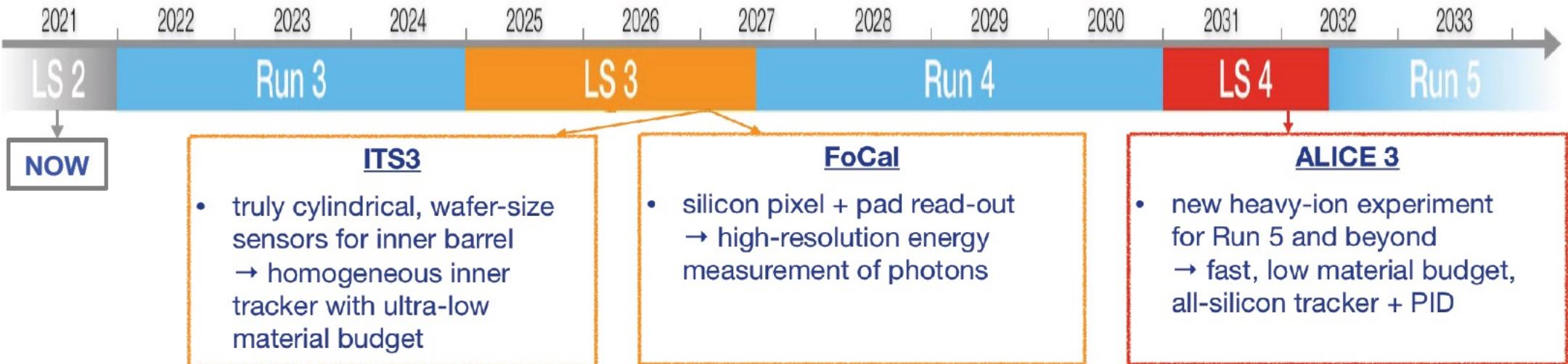
Run 3 at the gate, and what's next?

ALICE strategy for Run 3 + Run 4:

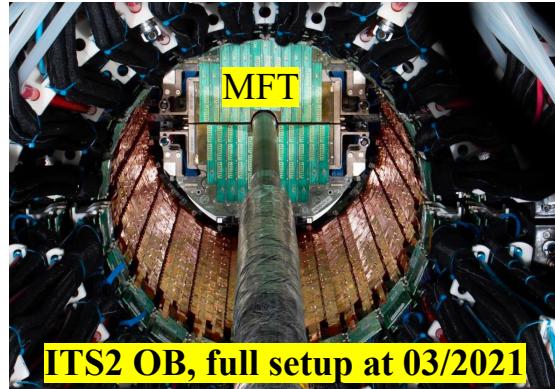
- Continuous readout and online data reconstruction

→ Inspect all MB Pb-Pb collisions at 50 kHz. Collect $L_{\text{Pb-Pb}} = 13 \text{ nb}^{-1}$

x50 statistics increase for many observables compared to Run 1 and Run 2



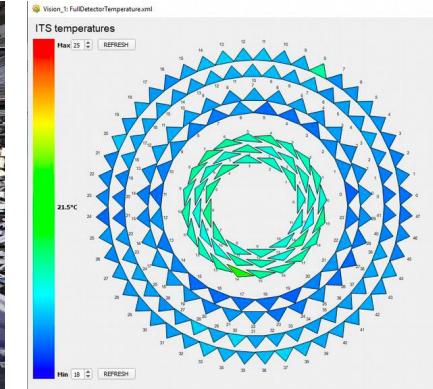
Chinese participation in Run 3 & 4



ITS2 OB, full setup at 03/2021



ITS2 IB, full setup at 05/2021

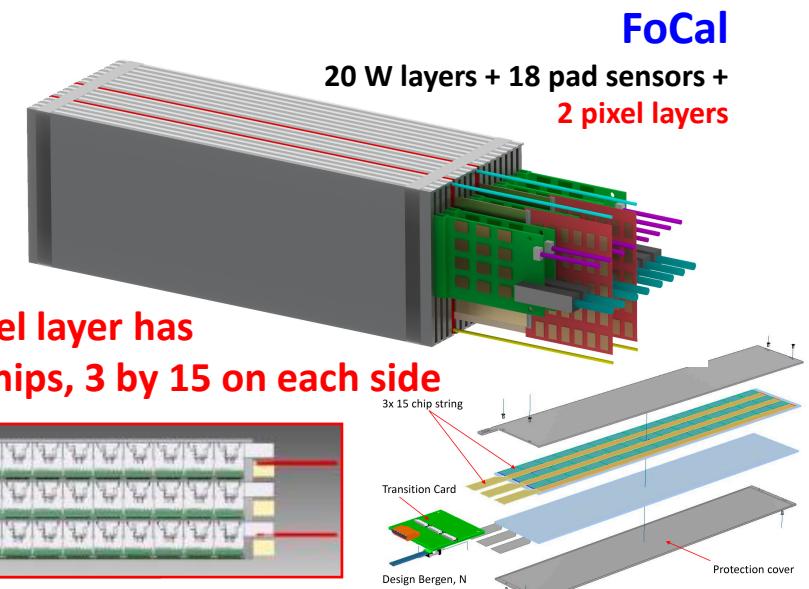
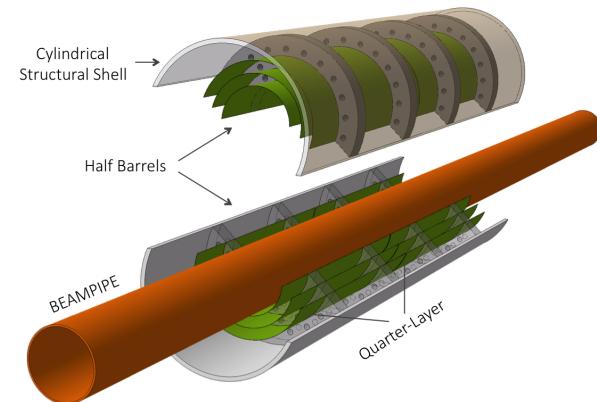


ITS2
Full Commission
31/05/2021

- Play an important role in ITS2 calibration, alignment, and analysis on physics highlights
- Part of the wafer-size ultra-thin silicon pixel detector R&D based on Stiching (ITS3)
- Part of the silicon layer R&D of **FoCal**

ITS3

- Closer to beam pipe: ~18 mm
- Less material: < 0.05% X_0
- Stiching-based wafer-scale MAPS sensor (~28 x 10 cm)
- Ultra-thin (20-40 μm)
- Bent ($R=18, 24, 30$ mm)

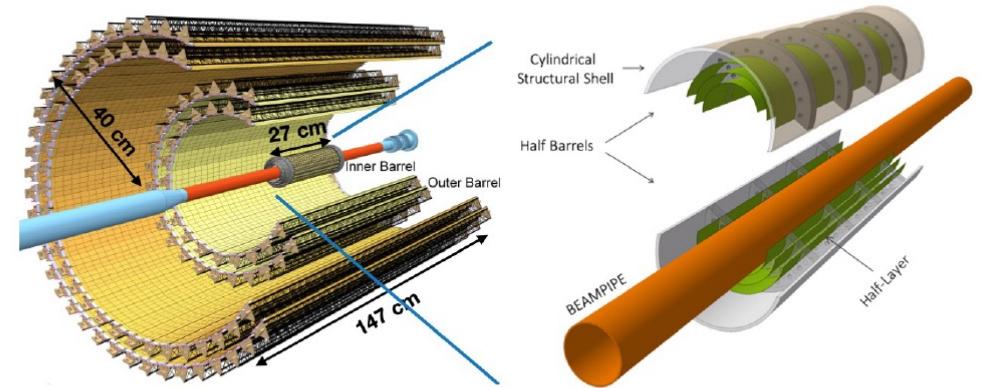


ITS2 → ITS3 @ ALICE 2.1

For Run 4 the inner barrel of the ITS2 will be replaced with bent chips ITS3

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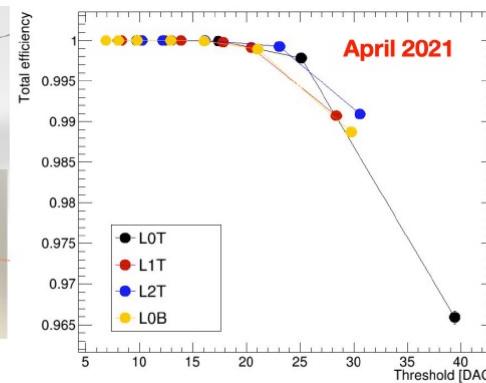
- Ultra-thin, wafer-scale, bent MAPS around the beam pipe
- $\sim 6x$ less material budget: $\sim 0.02\text{-}0.04\% X_0$ per layer
 - Homogeneous material distribution
- First detection layer closer to the IP improved tracking performance
 - $2x$ tracking precision and efficiency at low p_T



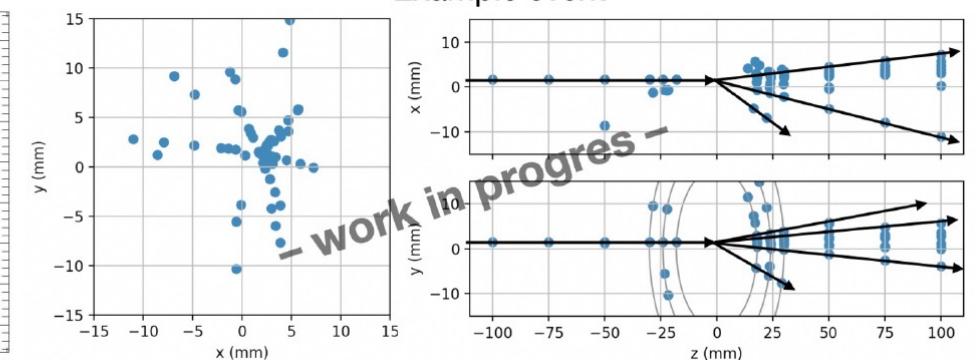
R&D is underway and progressing rapidly:

- Extensive in-beam tests for tracking performance of the bent MAPS
 - **Successful** verification of bent ALPIDE sensors
 - no effect on radius (18, 24, 30 mm) observed

[arXiv:2105.13000](#)



Example event

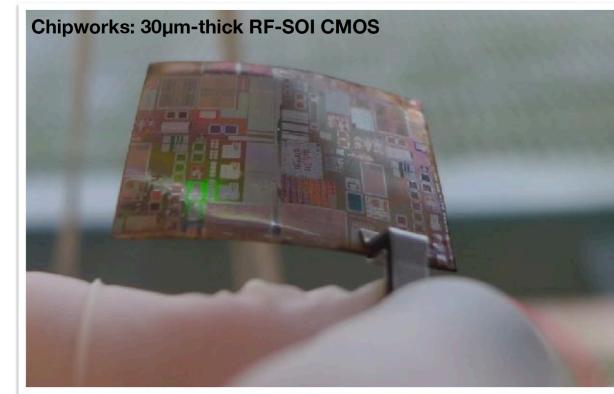
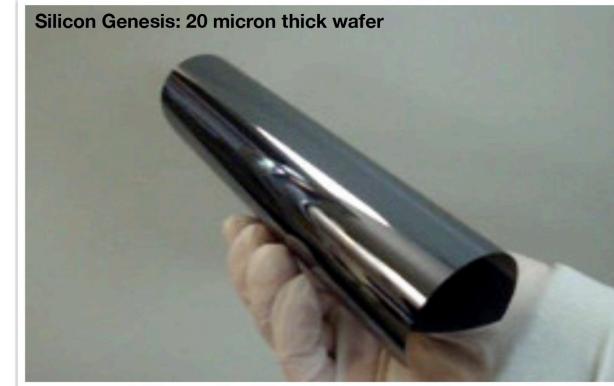
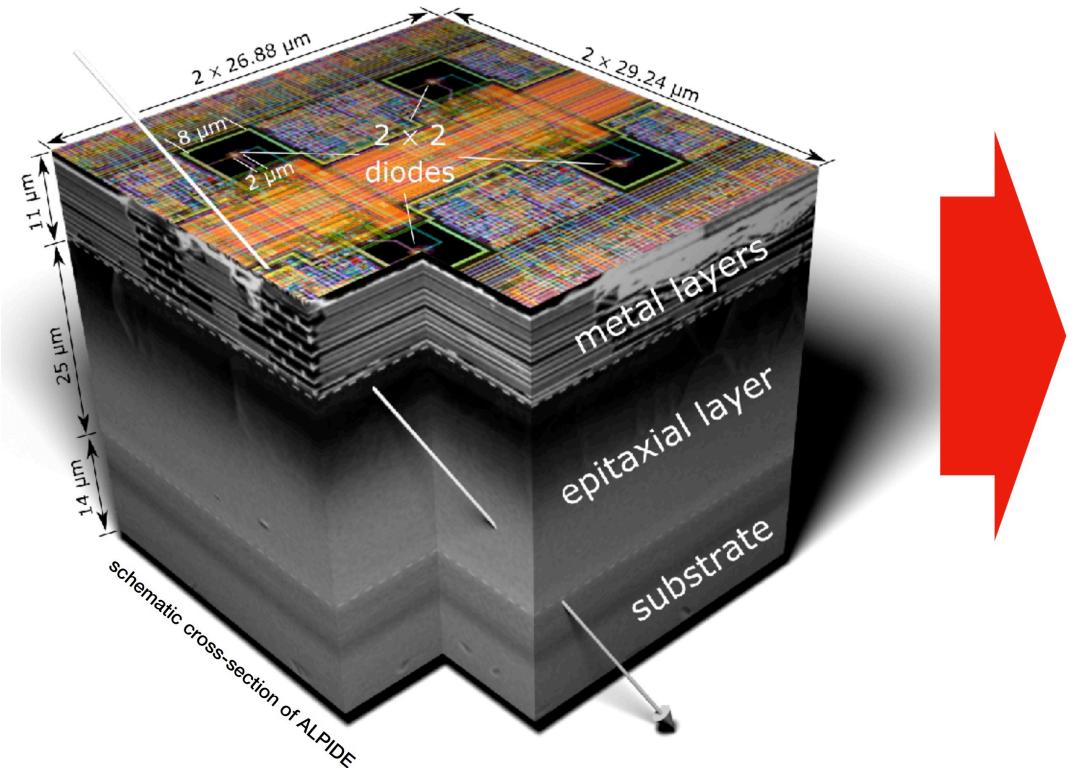


[few hand-drawn track lines to guide the eye]

ITS2 → ITS3 @ ALICE 2.1

ITS3

the idea (1): make use of the flexible nature of thin silicon

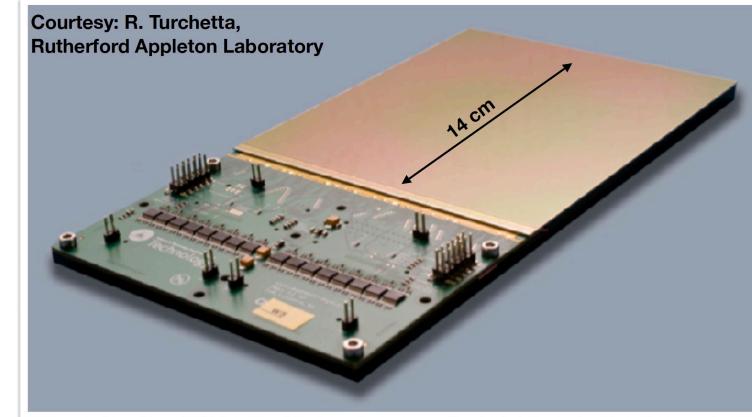
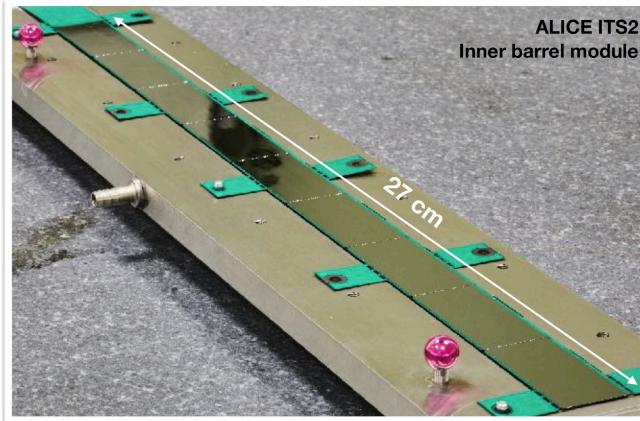


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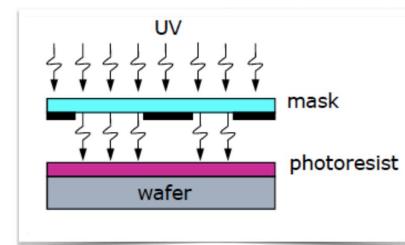
ITS3

the idea (2): build wafer-scale sensors



- ▶ Chip size is traditionally limited by CMOS manufacturing (“reticle size”)
 - typical sizes of few cm²
 - modules are tiled with chips connected to a flexible printed circuit board

- ▶ New option: stitching, i.e. aligned exposures of a reticle to produce larger circuits
 - actively used in industry
 - a 300 mm wafer can house a sensor to equip a full half-layer
 - **requires dedicated sensor design**



ITS2 → ITS3 @ ALICE 2.1

ITS impact on physics



▶ Low-mass di-electrons

- Less conversions ($\times 1/3$), one of the main “soft” backgrounds
- Better low- p_T standalone efficiency to reconstruct and reject conversions
- Better precision to reject or subtract conversion and charm-decay electrons (displaced)

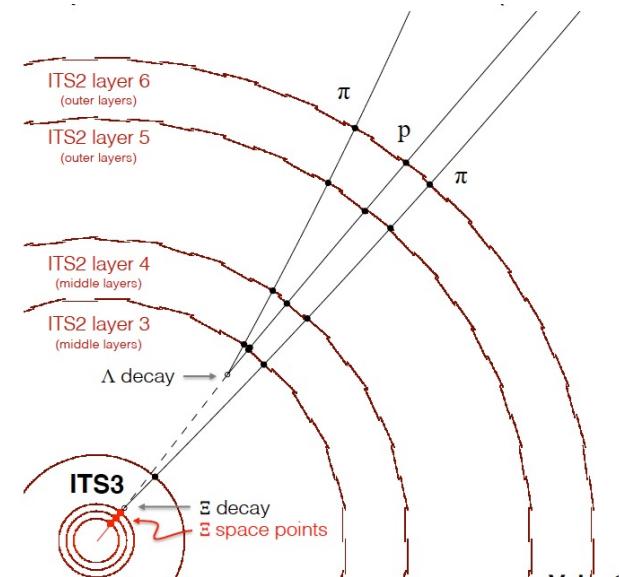
▶ Heavy flavour in particular those with small $c\tau$ ($\Lambda_c \approx 60 \mu\text{m}$, $D_s \approx 150 \mu\text{m}$)

- Better precision to separate secondary vertex
- Increased efficiency also helps in multi-prong decays

▶ Much more

- B_s^0 , non-prompt D_s^+ , Λ_b , Ξ_c ,
- “c-deuteron”, $d\Lambda_c$
- “strangeness tracking”
- Anti- ${}^3\text{He}$ production from anti- Λ_b^0

Letter of Intent

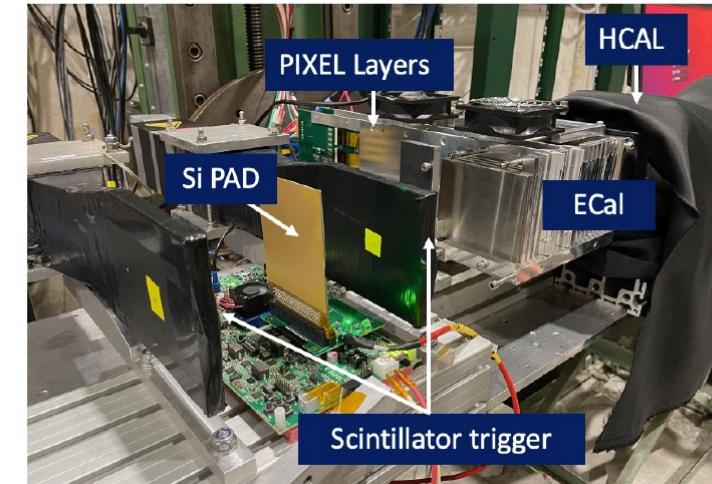
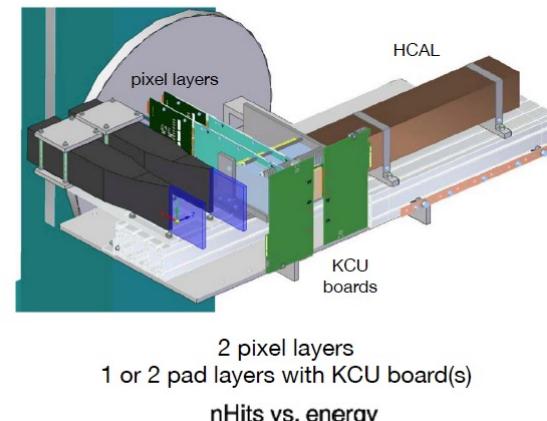
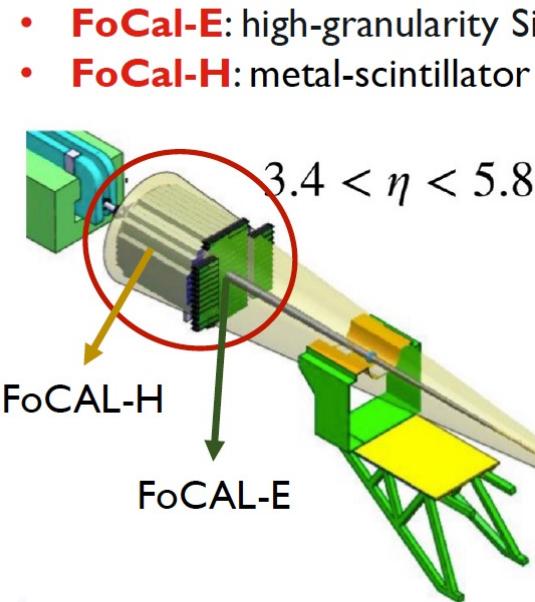


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FoCal @ ALICE 2.1

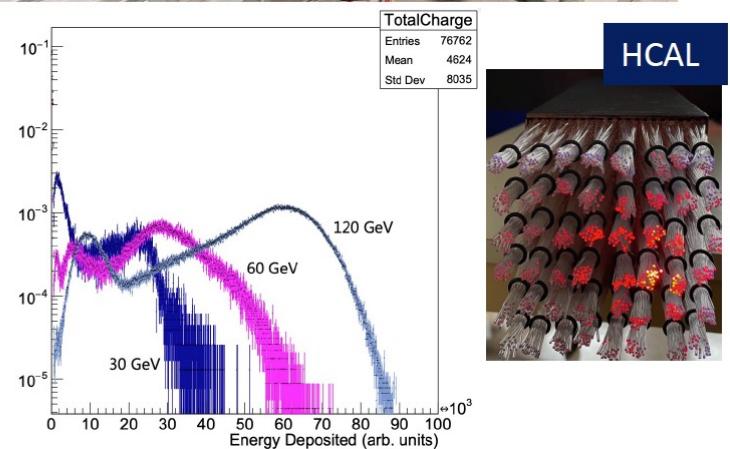
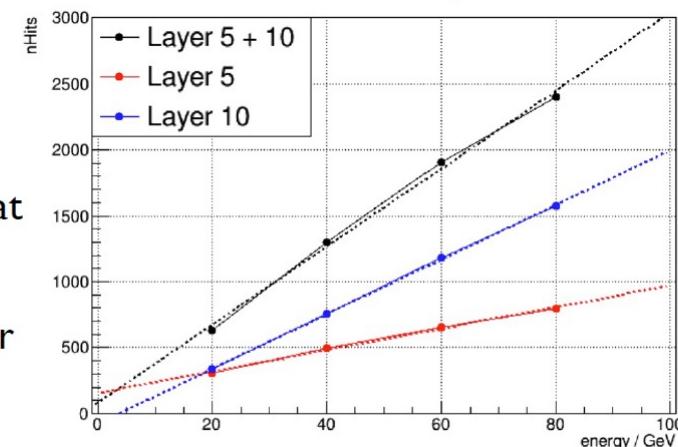
FoCal: forward electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters

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Good progress on R&D

- prototypes of main components tested at **SPS test beam** in Sep/Oct 2021
- In-beam tests of full demonstrator tower planned for **May/June 2022**

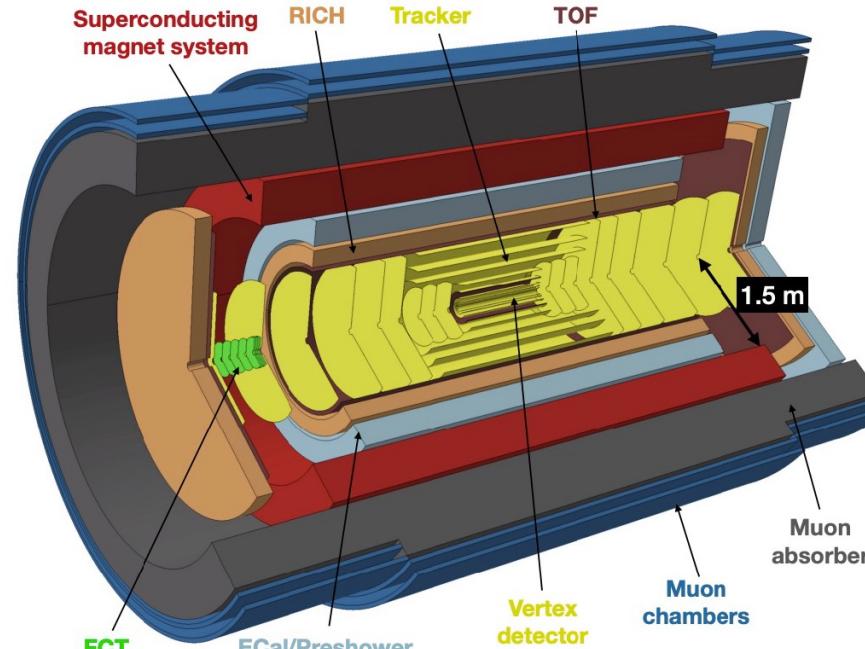
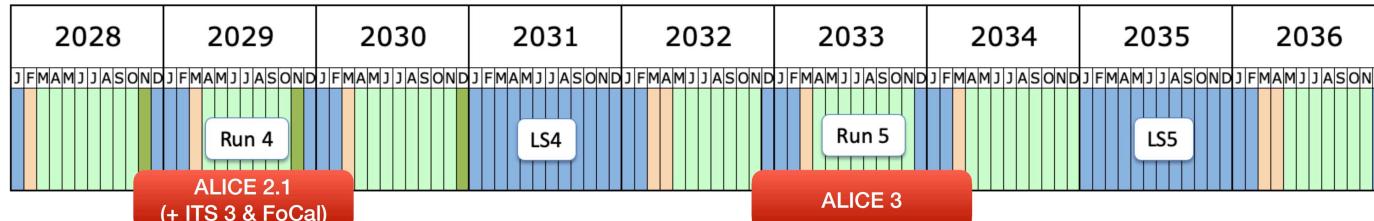
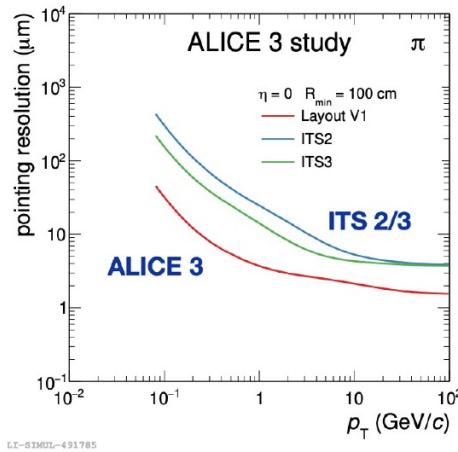


ALICE 3 → Run 5 and beyond

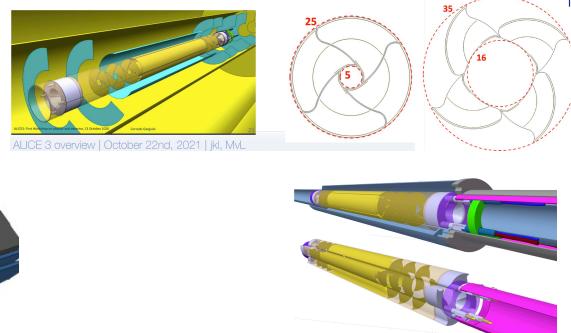
A new dedicated heavy-ion detector for Run 5+ (> 2030)

Detailed characterization of the QGP (transport properties, electric conductivity), dynamics of pre-thermalization and hydrodynamization, hadronization and hadron chemistry, chiral symmetry restoration, ...

- Compact all-silicon tracker with high-resolution vertex detector
- Superconducting magnet system
- Particle Identification over large acceptance
- Fast read-out and online processing



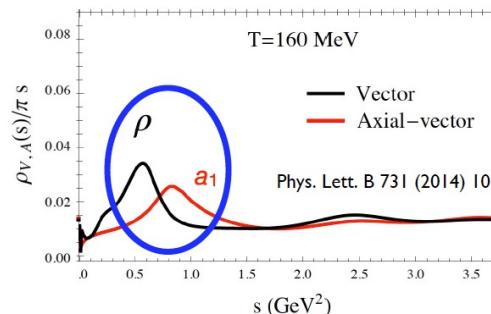
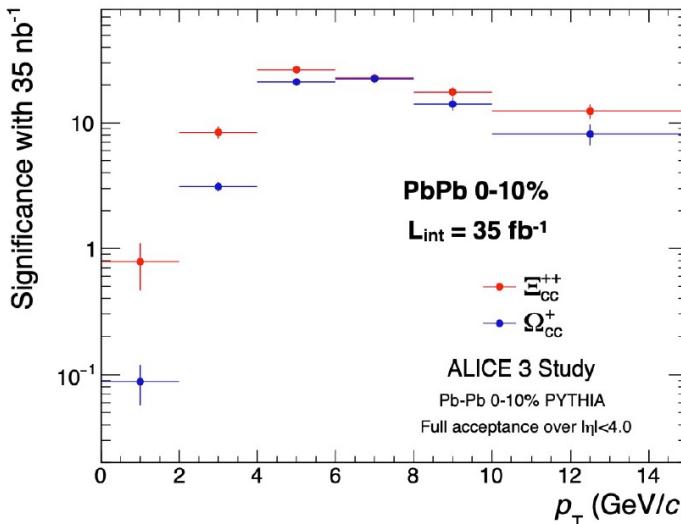
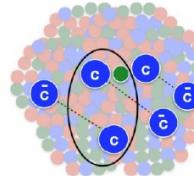
Iris tracker:
Monolithic active pixel sensors,
stitched, bended, and **FOLDED**?



ALICE 3 physics highlights

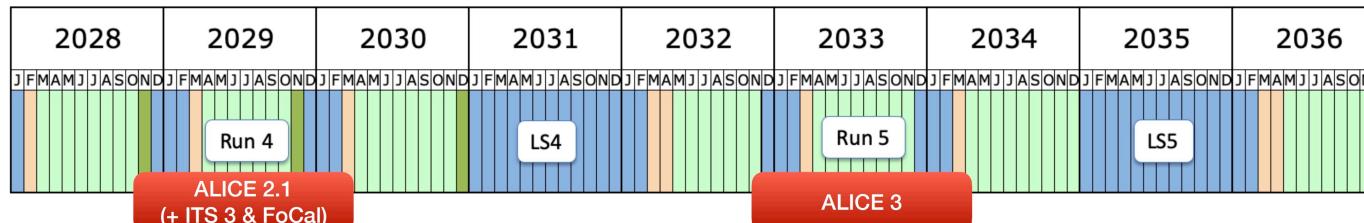
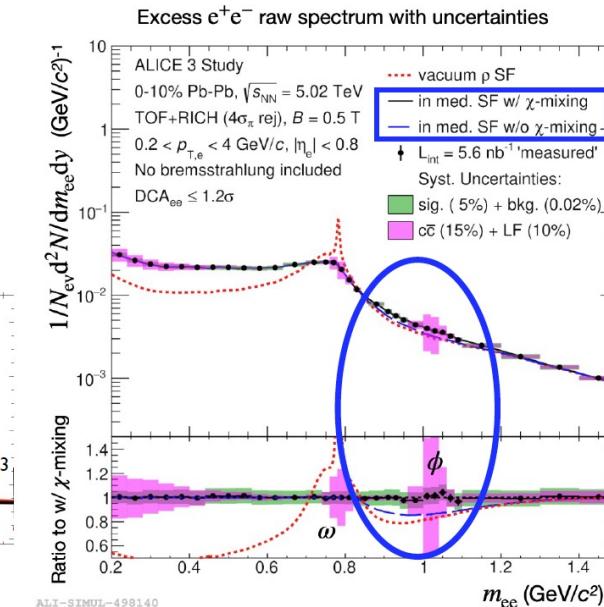
Multi-charm flavor hadrons

Large enhancement (up to $\times 100$ for Ξ_{cc} , Ω_{cc}) w.r.t. pp predicted in presence of hadron production from uncorrelated charm quarks



Low mass dielectrons

- details of the ρ spectral function and chiral mixing with a_1
- Electric conductivity
- QGP temperature
- pre-thermalization



Summary and outlook

- A long and lasting LS2...but ALICE China group were not sleeping
- ✓ Deep involvement of **ITS2** and **MFT** for Run 3 by ALICE China
 - ALPIDE chip R&D on ITS2 and MFT
 - OB HIC production and commission completed
 - Pilot beam output encouraging
- ✓ **ALICE 2.1** is on the way for Run 4, and ALICE China is active
 - R&D of **wafer-scale bended silicon sensor** for ITS3
 - R&D of pixel layers to FoCal-E
- ✓ Run 5 is on the horizon: **ALICE 3**, a nearly pure silicon detector
 - ALICE China is part of the plan
 - multi-charm flavor hadrons
 - detector R&D

