



Physics programme for the first stage of the NICA SPD experiment

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The NICA SPD project at JINR

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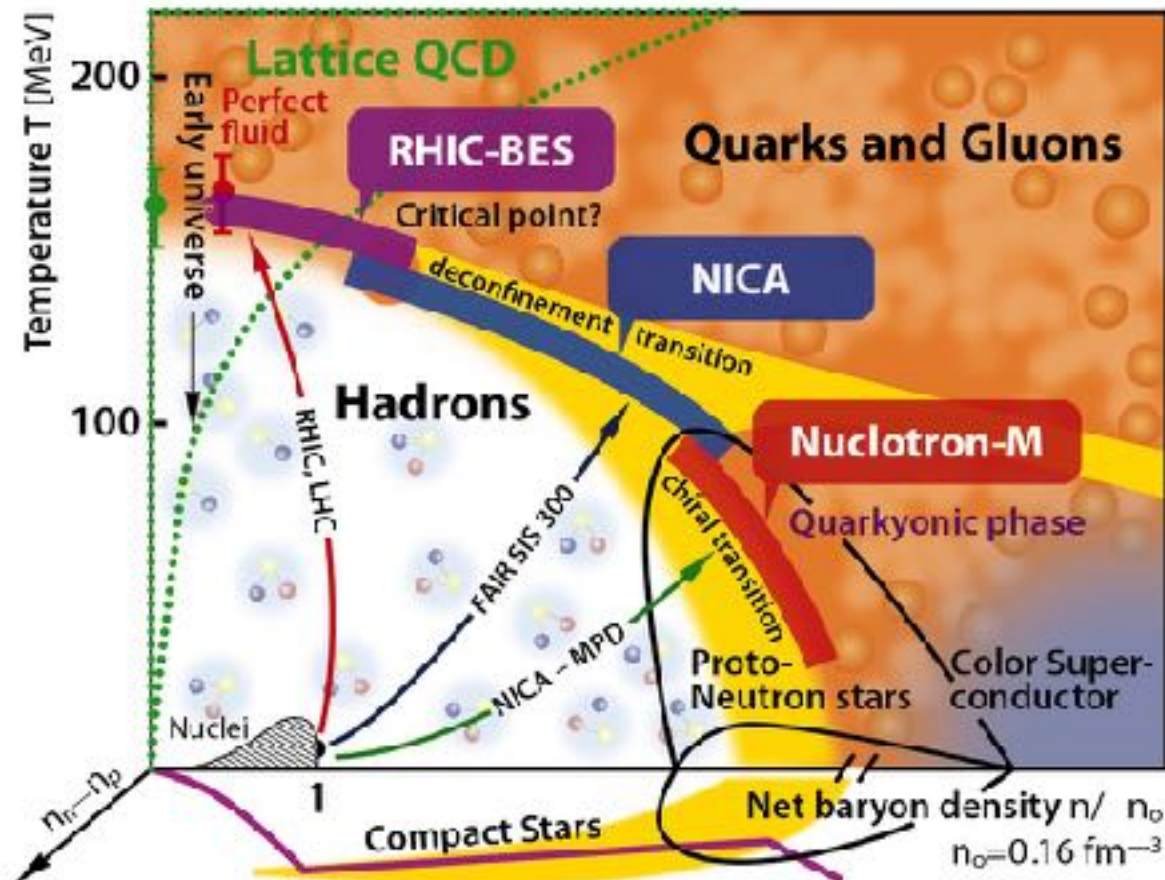
THE **NUCLOTRON**-BASED **ION COLLIDER FACILITY (NICA)** PROJECT AT JINR



TEST OF QCD BASICS AT NICA

MultiPurpose Detector

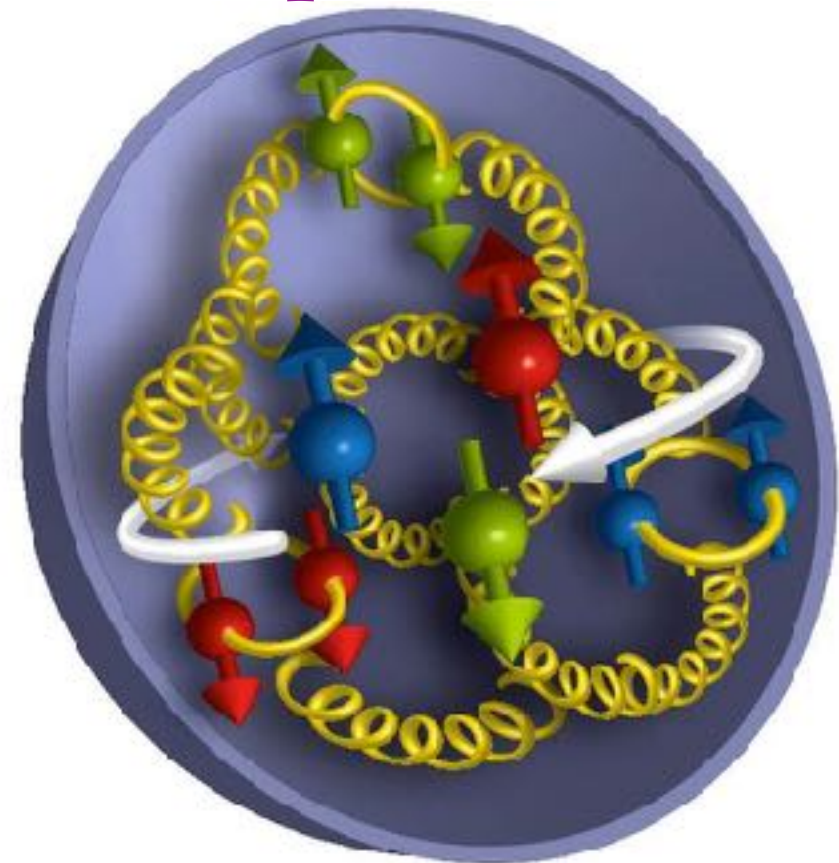
Study of hot and dense baryonic matter in heavy ion collisions



Spin Physics Detector

<http://spd.jinr.ru>

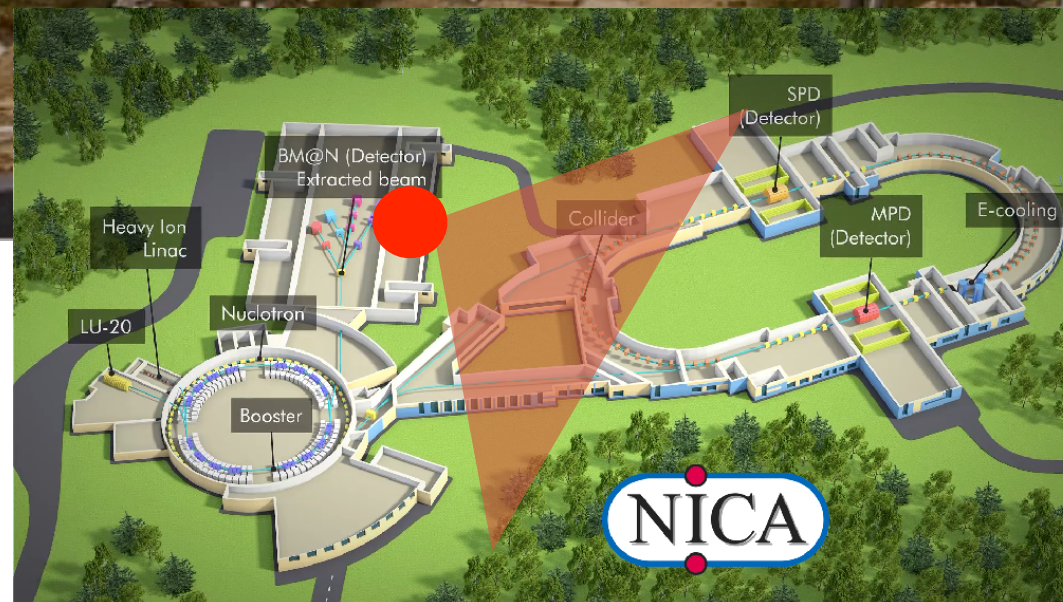
Study of the nucleon spin structure and spin-related phenomena in polarized p-p, d-d and p-d collisions



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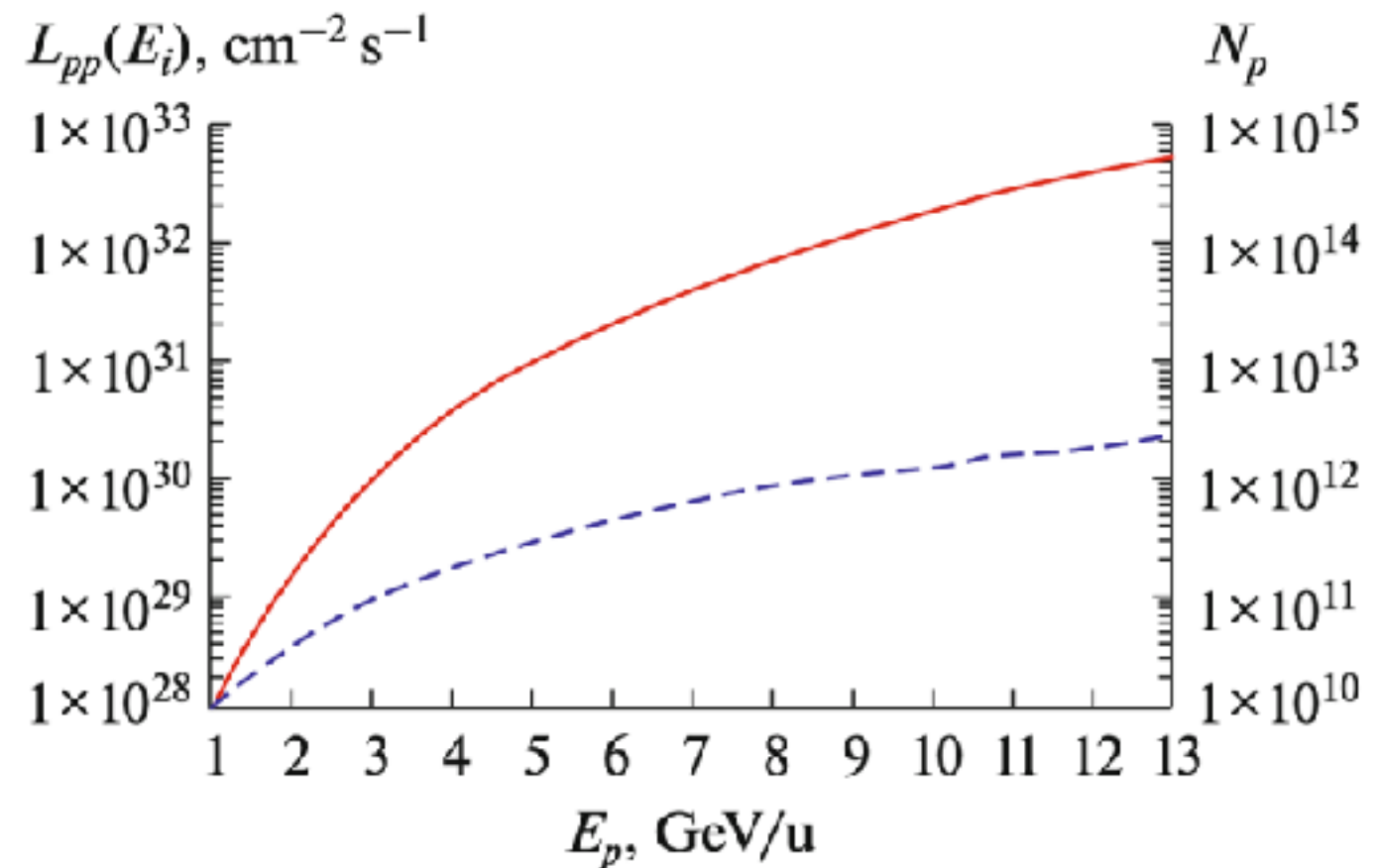
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*SPD
experimental hall*



SPD – EXPERIMENTAL CONDITIONS

circumference	- 503 m,
number of collision points (IP)	- 2,
beta function β_{\min} in the IP	- 0.35 m,
number of protons per bunch	- $\sim 1 \cdot 10^{12}$,
number of bunches	- 22,
RMS bunch length	- 0.5 m,
incoherent tune shift, Δ_{Lasslett}	- 0.027,
beam-beam parameter, ξ	- 0.067,
beam emittance ε_{nrm} (normalized)	
at 12.5 GeV, π mm mrad	- 0.15.
$ P > 0.6$	



Beam energies:

$p \uparrow p \uparrow (\sqrt{s_{pp}}) = 12 \div \geq 27 \text{ GeV}$ ($5 \div \geq 12.6 \text{ GeV}$ of proton kinetic energy),
 $d \uparrow d \uparrow (\sqrt{s_{NN}}) = 4 \div \geq 13.8 \text{ GeV}$ ($2 \div \geq 5.9 \text{ GeV/u}$ of ion kinetic energy).

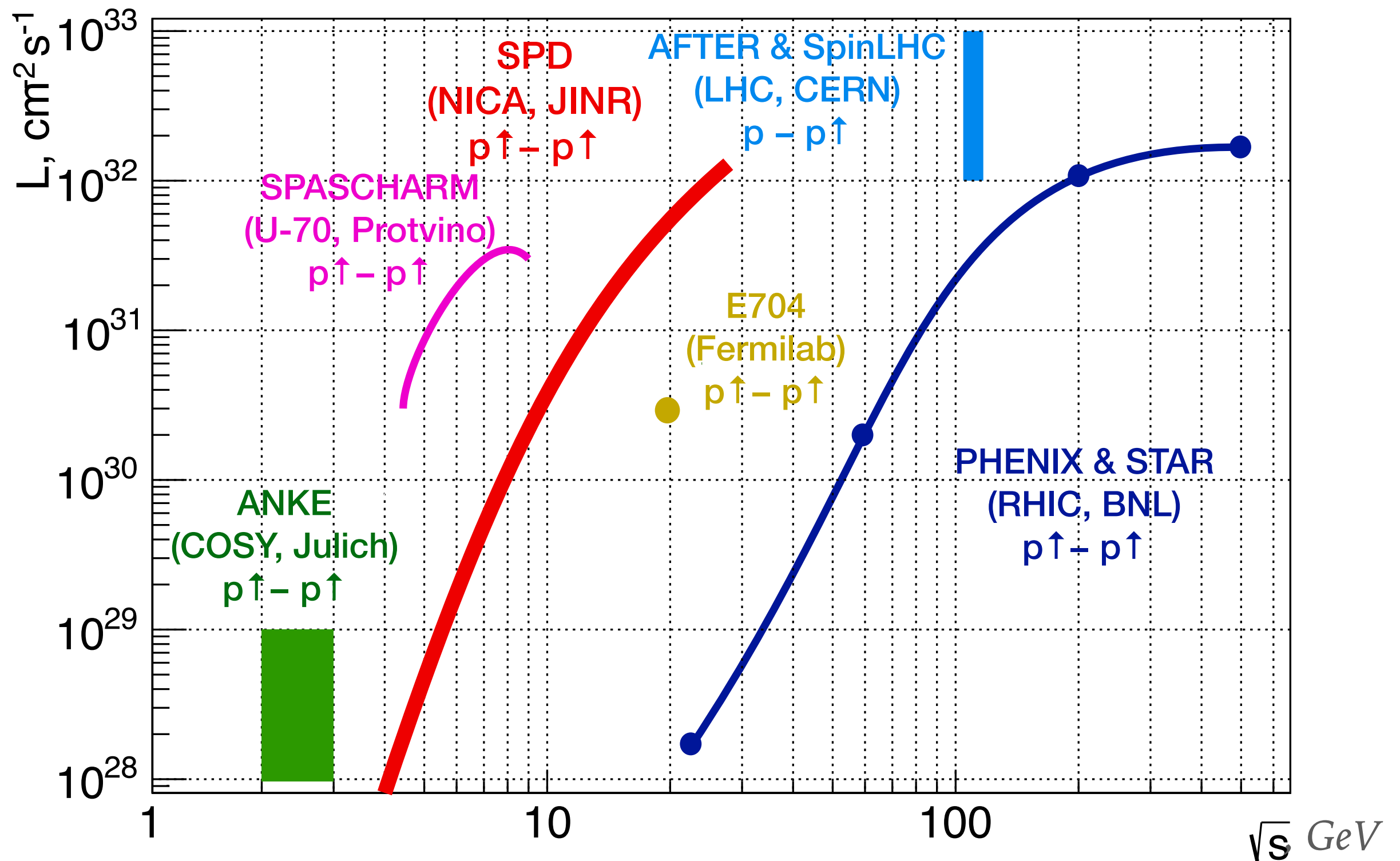
Unique possibility!

also $p \uparrow d \uparrow$

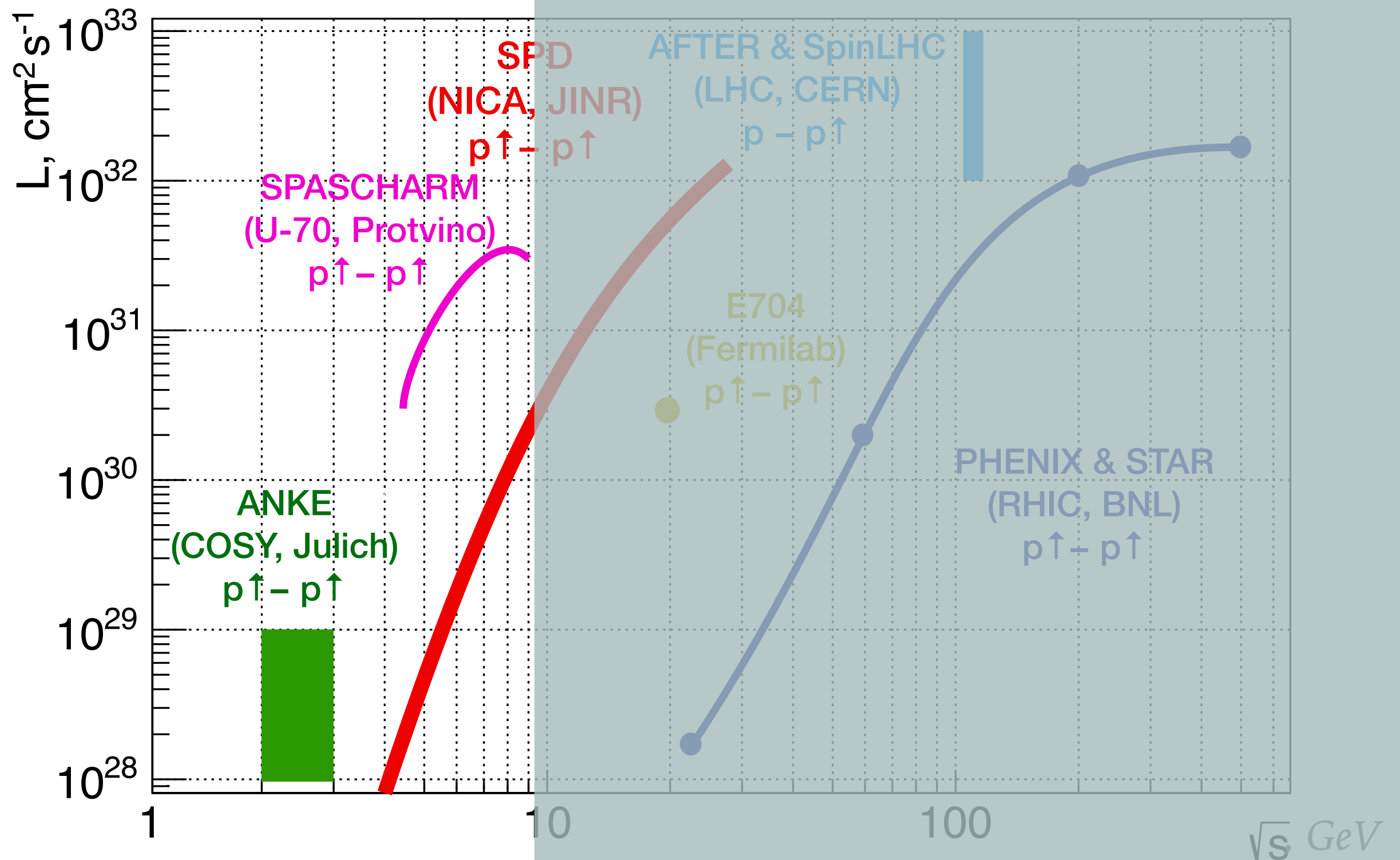
All combinations of collisions are possible -

UU, LL, TT, UL, UT, LT

SPD – VS OTHER POLARIZED p - p EXPERIMENTS



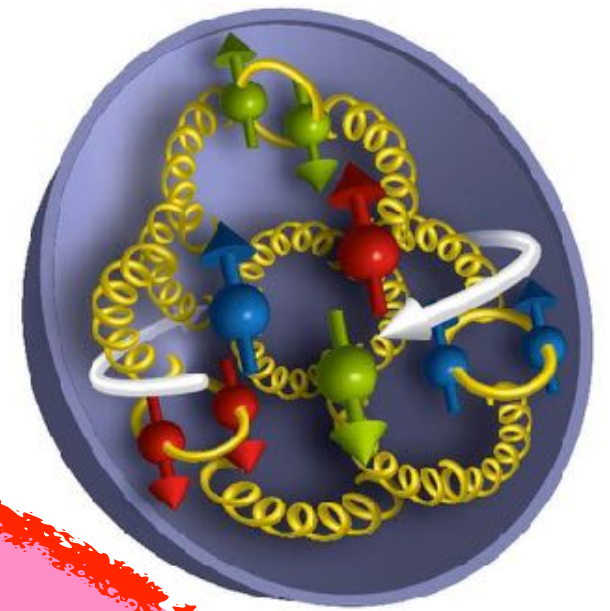
SPD – VS OTHER POLARIZED p - p EXPERIMENTS



MAIN PLAYERS IN POLARIZED GLUON PHYSICS

Experimental facility	SPD @NICA	RHIC	EIC	AFTER @LHC	LHCspin
Scientific center	JINR	BNL	BNL	CERN	CERN
Operation mode	collider	collider	collider	fixed target	fixed target
Colliding particles & polarization	$p^\uparrow - p^\uparrow$ $d^\uparrow - d^\uparrow$ $p^\uparrow - d, p - d^\uparrow$	$p^\uparrow - p^\uparrow$	$e^\uparrow - p^\uparrow, d^\uparrow, {}^3\text{He}^\uparrow$	$p - p^\uparrow, d^\uparrow$	$p - p^\uparrow$
Center-of-mass energy $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$, GeV	≤ 27 ($p-p$) ≤ 13.5 ($d-d$) ≤ 19 ($p-d$)	63, 200, 500	20-140 (ep)	115	115
Max. luminosity, $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	~ 1 ($p-p$) ~ 0.1 ($d-d$)	2	1000	up to ~ 10 ($p-p$)	4.7
Physics run	>2025	running	>2030	>2025	>2025

CONCEPT OF THE SPD PHYSICS PROGRAMME



**SPD - a universal
facility for
comprehensive study of
gluon content in proton
and deuteron at
large x**

Charmonia

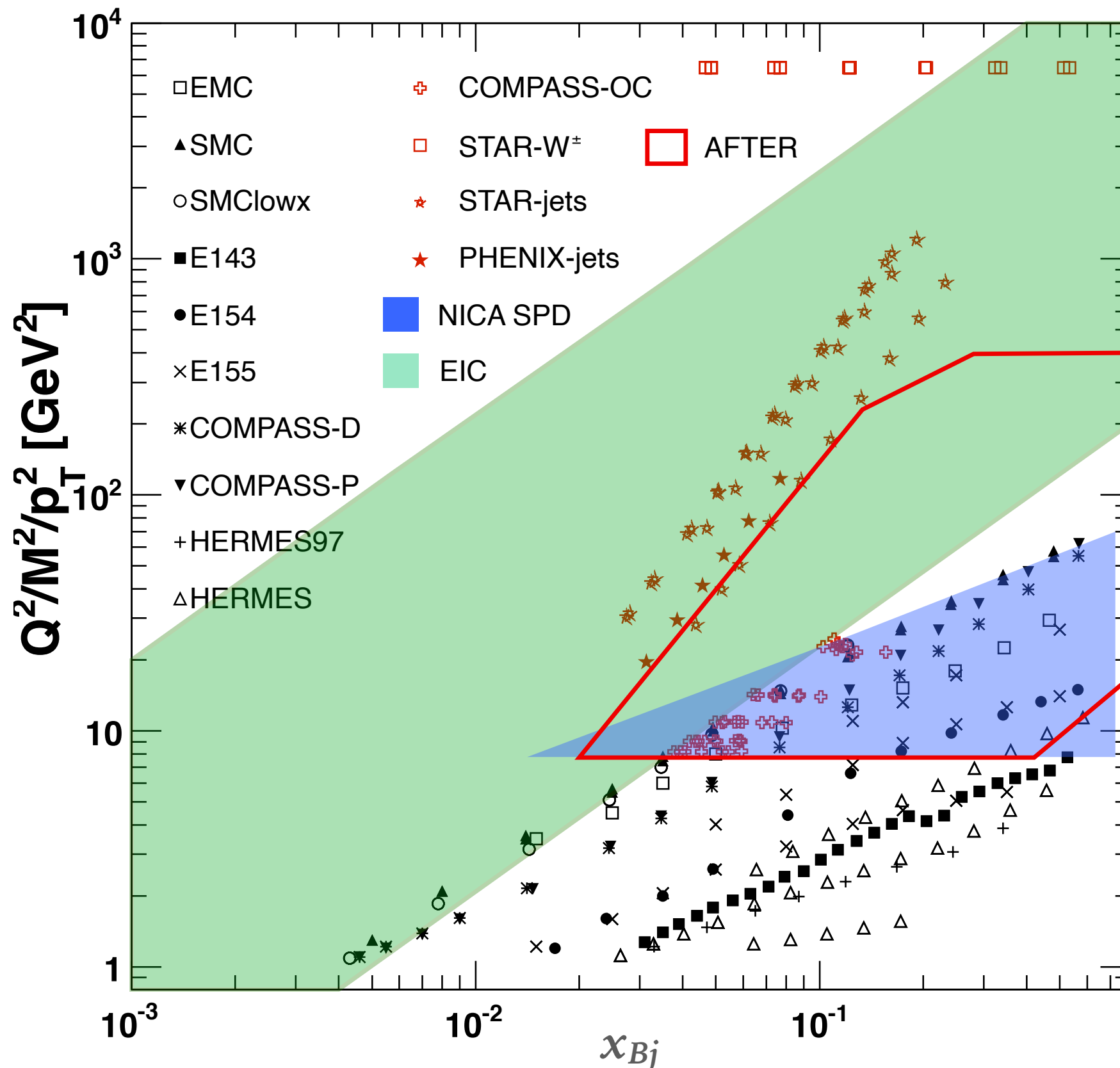
Prompt photons

Open charm

**Other spin-related
phenomena**

**Other
physics**

MAIN PLAYERS IN POLARIZED GLUON PHYSICS



SPD can cover this range for polarised gluon studies in $p\uparrow$ - $p\uparrow$ interactions!

open charm

charmonia

high- p_T prompt photons

PARTONIC STRUCTURE OF PROTON AND DEUTERON

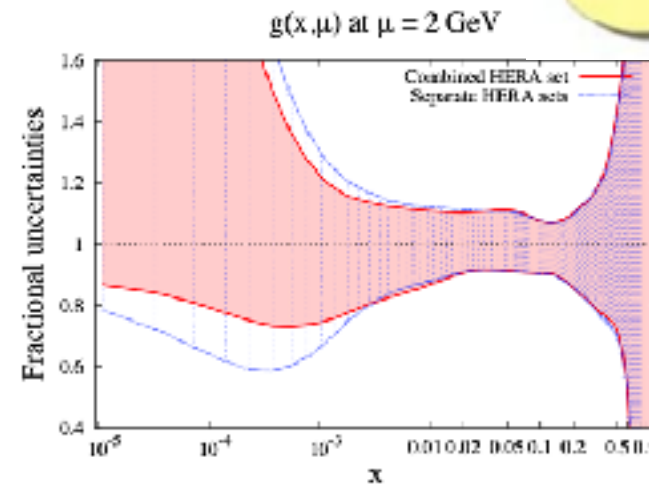
Cross sections →
Asymmetries → PDFs

Unpolarized gluons in
proton and deuteron at
high x :

Tensor structure
of deuteron:

Spin crisis:

Gluon helicity



Spin-1
System

$m = +1$

$m = 0$

$m = -1$

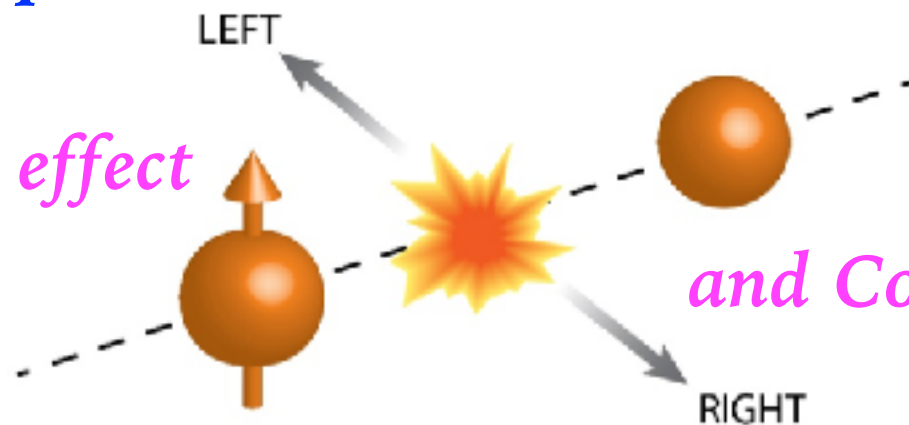


Nonbaryonic content of deuteron:

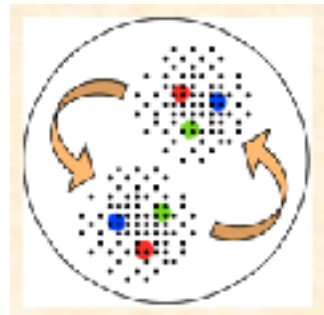
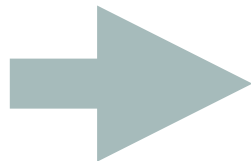
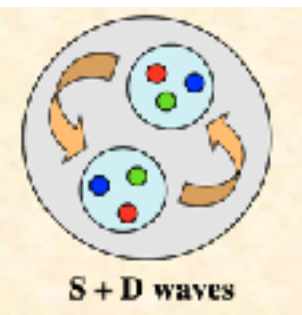
Gluon and quark TMD PDFs:

Sivers effect

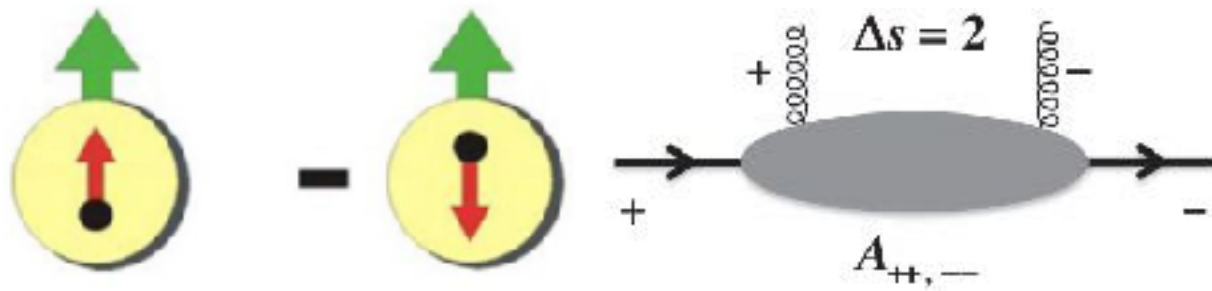
and Collins effect



- spin-dependent fragmentation
functions



Gluon transversity



“GLUON” WORKSHOP

The image is a promotional banner for a workshop. On the left, a blue sphere represents a nucleon, with a green arrow indicating spin and a yellow wavy line representing a gluon. An orange beam enters from the left, and a red arrow points upwards. On the right, the NICA logo is shown, consisting of a blue oval with the word 'NICA' in white, and a red dot with a blue arrow indicating spin. Above the oval is a blue box with the letters 'SPD' in white. Below the main banner, the text 'Gluon content of proton and deuteron with the Spin Physics Detector at the NICA collider' is written in white. At the bottom left, the dates '30 September 2020 to 1 October 2020' and the time zone 'Europe/Moscow timezone' are listed.

Gluon content of proton and deuteron with the Spin Physics Detector at the NICA collider

30 September 2020 to 1 October 2020
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30 Sep - 1 Oct

<https://indico.jinr.ru/event/1428/>

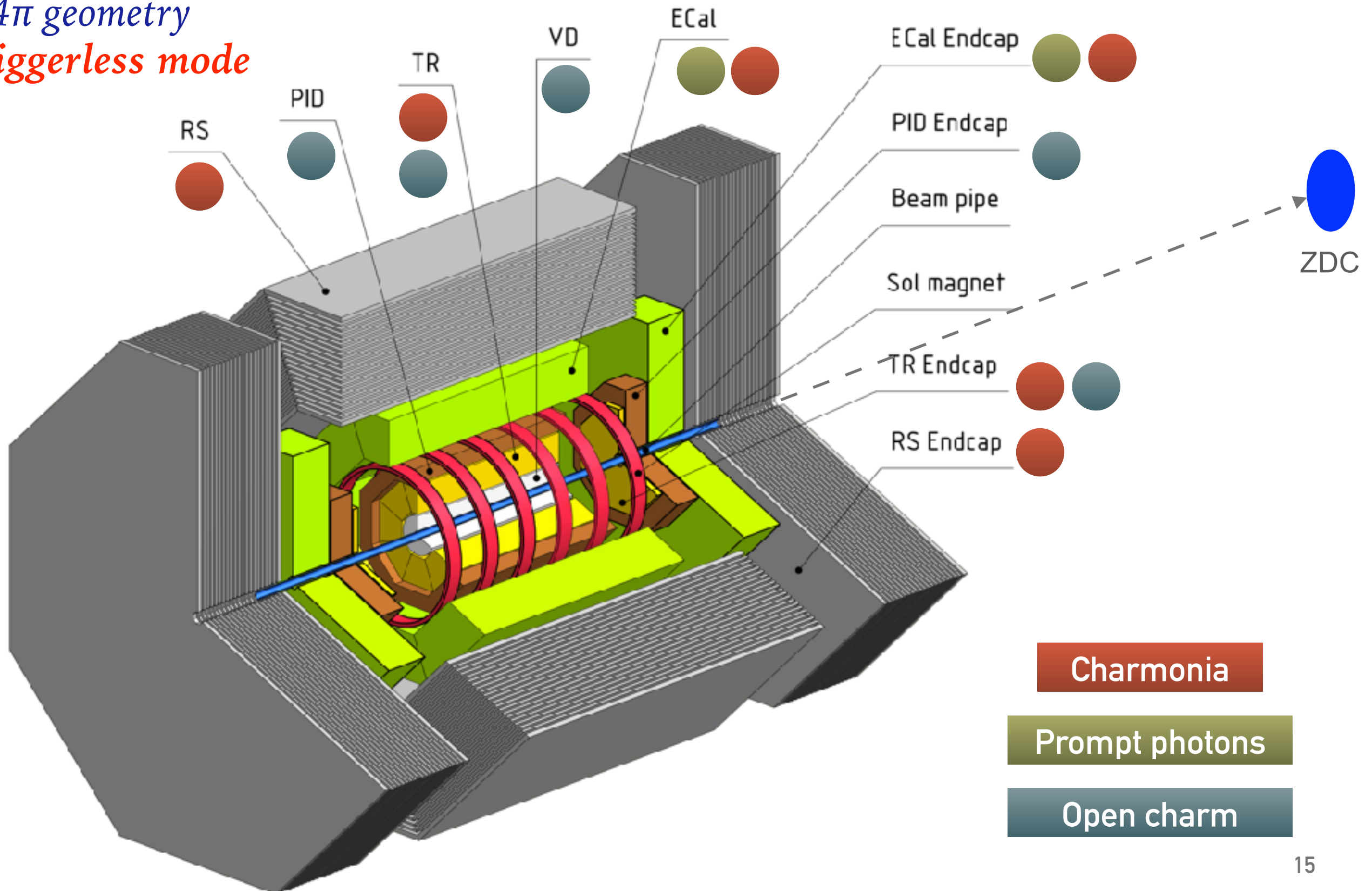
Slides are available at the workshop webpage

PHYSICS OF THE FIRST STAGE OF **SPD** RUNNING

- Spin effects in p-p, p-d and d-d elastic scattering
- Spin effects in hyperons production
- Multiquark correlations
- Dibaryon resonances
- Physics of light and intermediate nuclei collision
- Exclusive reactions
- Auxiliary measurements for astrophysics
- Hypernuclei
- Possible physics beyond the Standard Model
- ...

WHAT SPD HAS FOR OPERATION WITH SUCH PROBES?

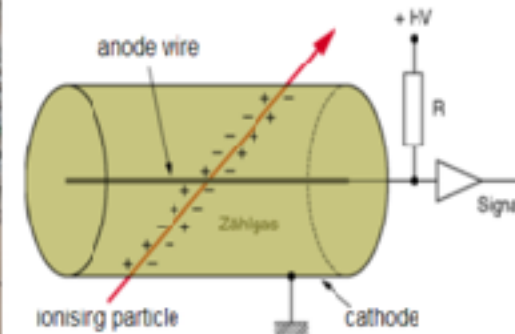
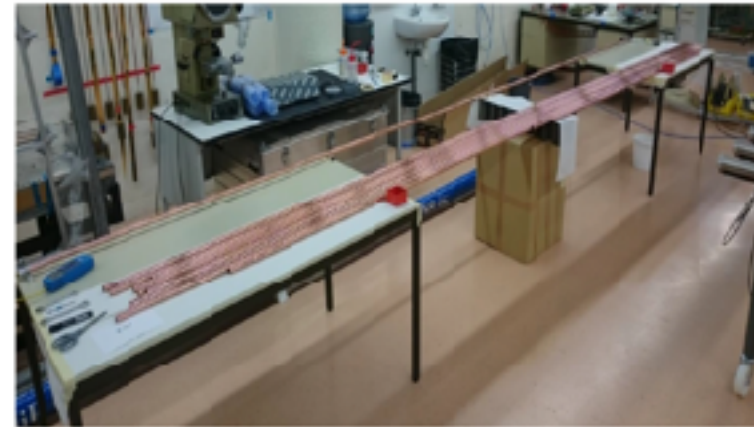
$\sim 4\pi$ geometry
Triggerless mode



TRACKING

Straw tracker

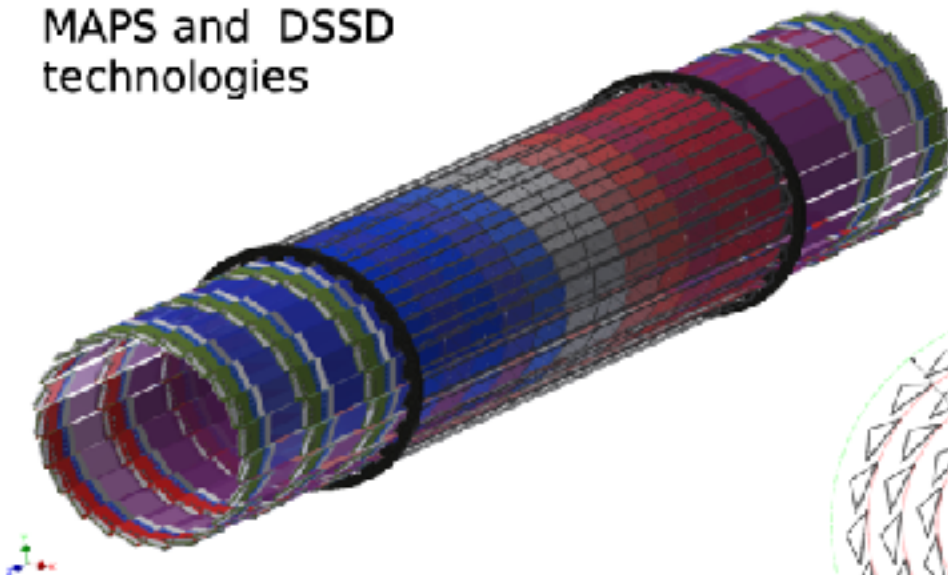
Magnetic field at the beam axis - 1 T



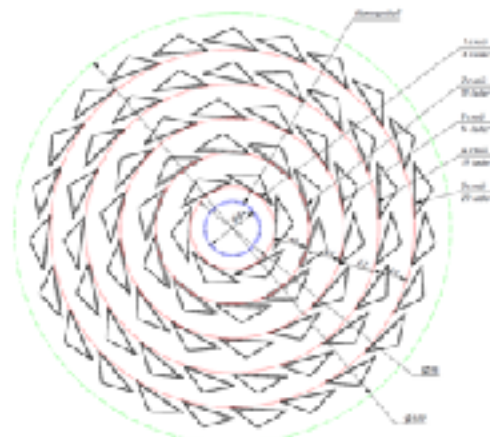
Silicon vertex detector

$$\sigma_{J/\psi} \approx 40 \text{ MeV}$$

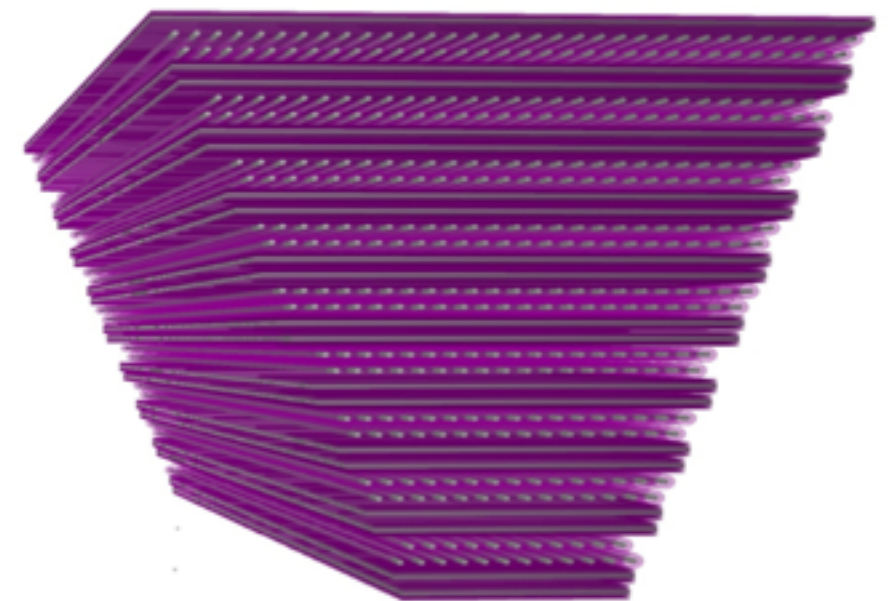
VD is based on the MAPS and DSSD technologies



3D view of Vertex Detector with silicon sensors, signal cables and FEE boards



View across the beam pipe



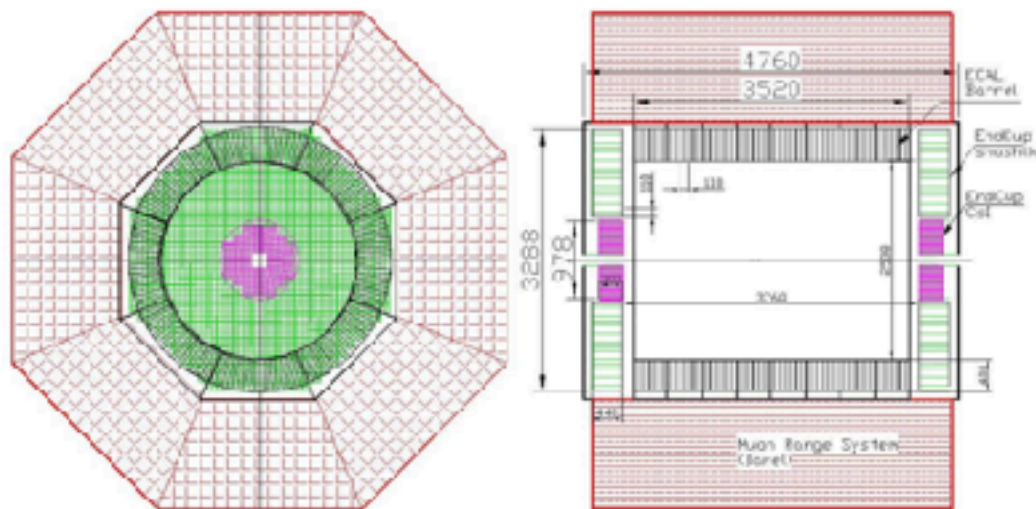
24 XY(optional UV) wedge-shaped straws stations

Straw tube with 10mm diameter, in the center a 30mm diameter gold-plated tungsten wire

Precision measurement ~150 μm

The number of layers and the number of straws are discussed.

CALORIMETRY

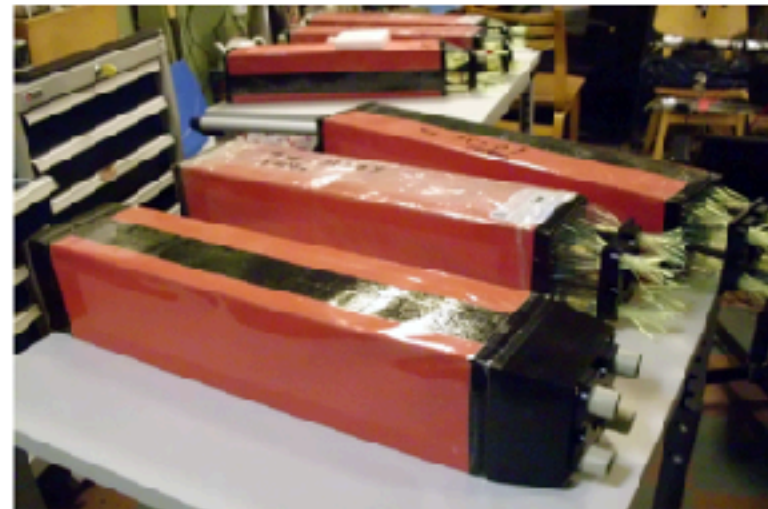


Photon energy range 0.1 - 10 GeV.

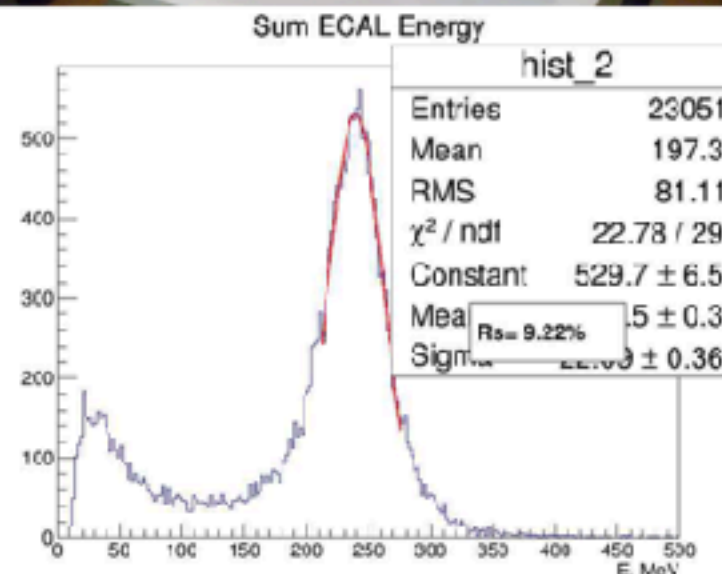
Due to space limitations the total length of the ECAL module should be less than 50 cm. Required energy resolution $<5.0\%/\sqrt{E}$ (GeV) and energy threshold below 100 MeV.

Design is "shashlyk" and crystal.

Projective geometry.



ECAL



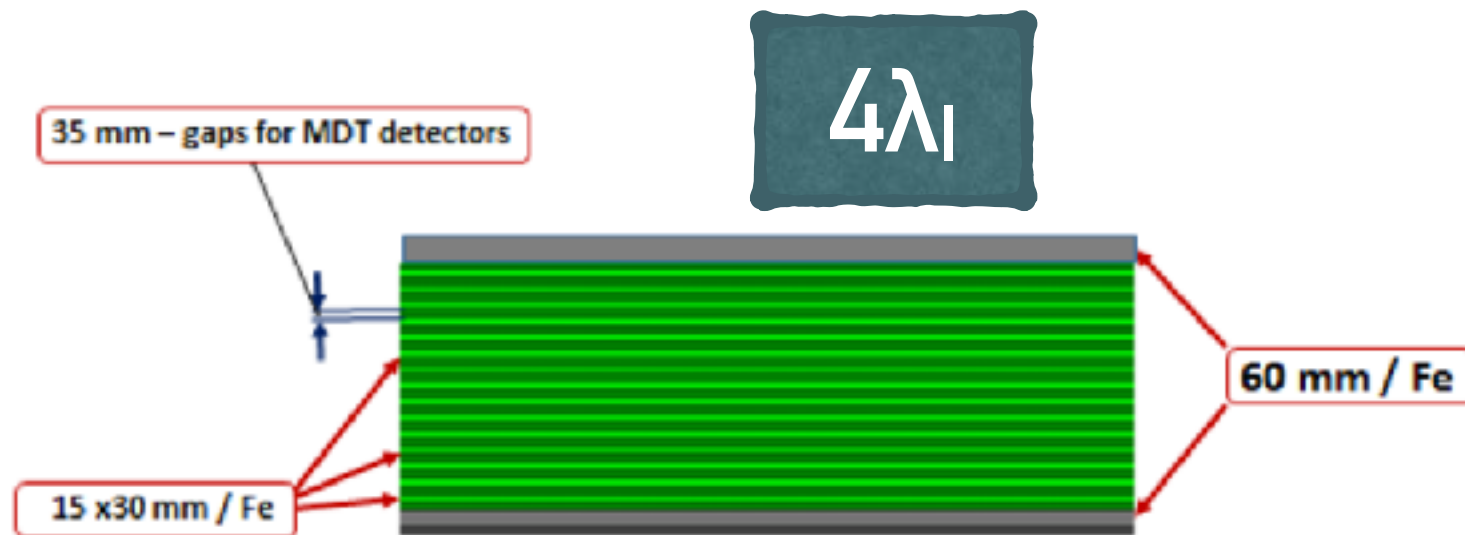
Cosmic test results (MIP)

Threshold:
50-100 MeV

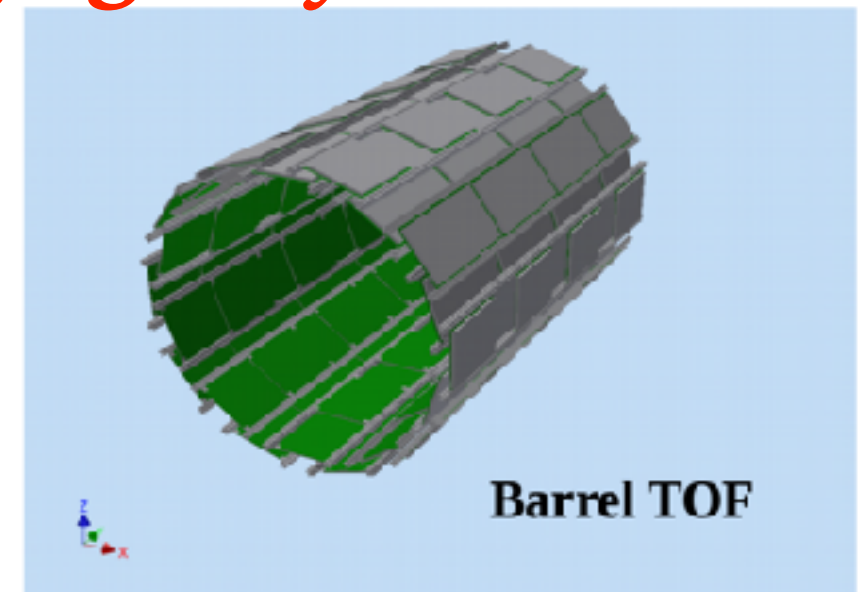
$$\sigma_E/E = 5\% / \sqrt{E} \oplus 2\%$$

PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

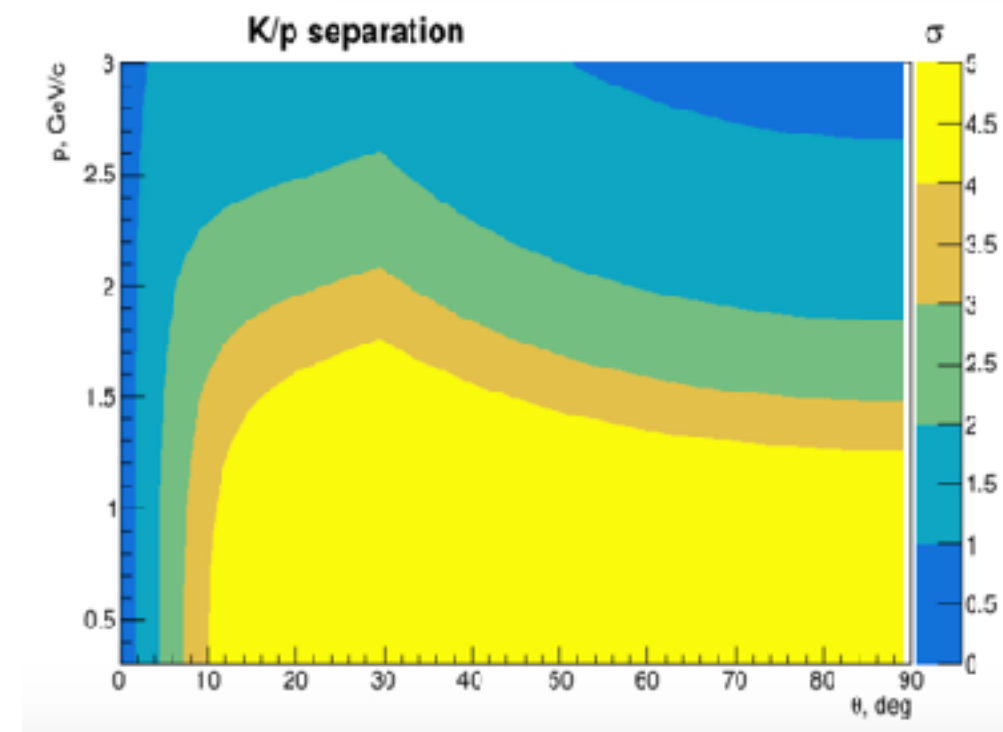
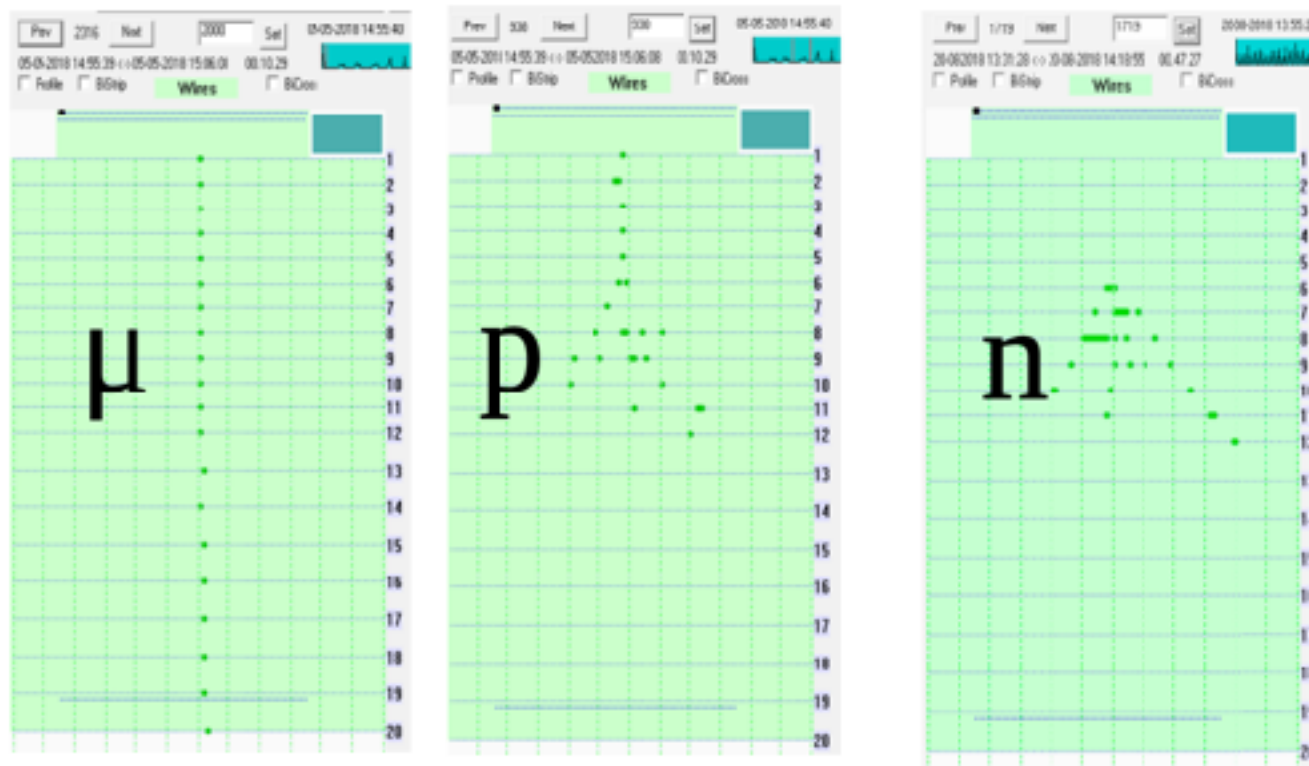
Muon (range system)



Time-of-flight system



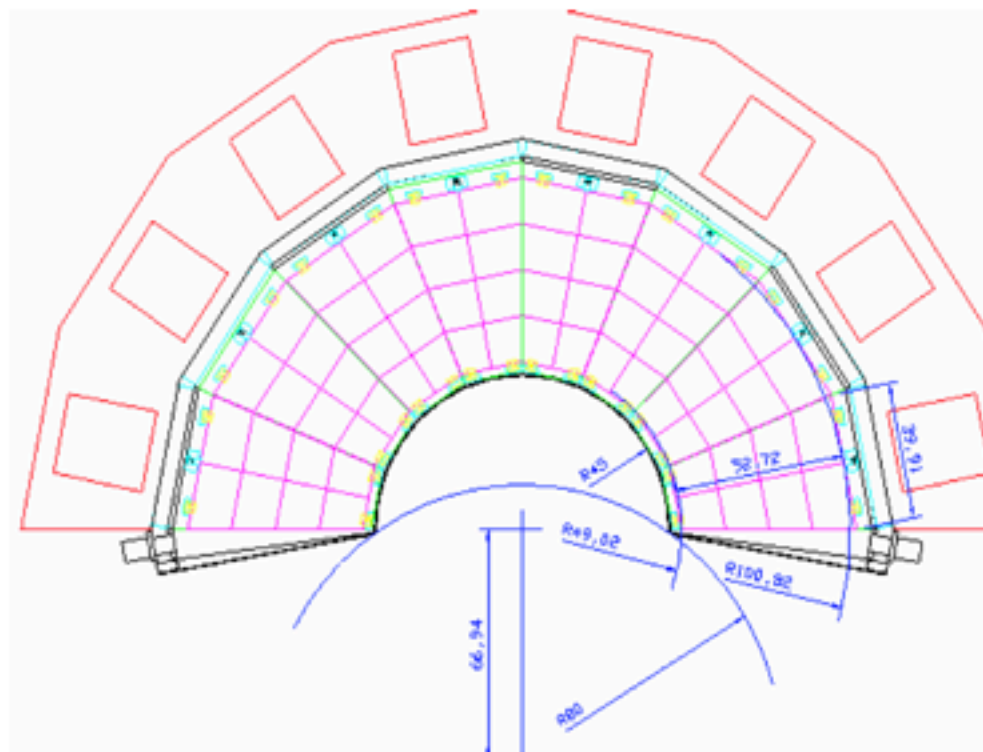
Event examples at 5 GeV/c



DIRC/aerogel as an option

POLARIMETRY AND LUMINOSITY MONITORS

Beam-beam counter

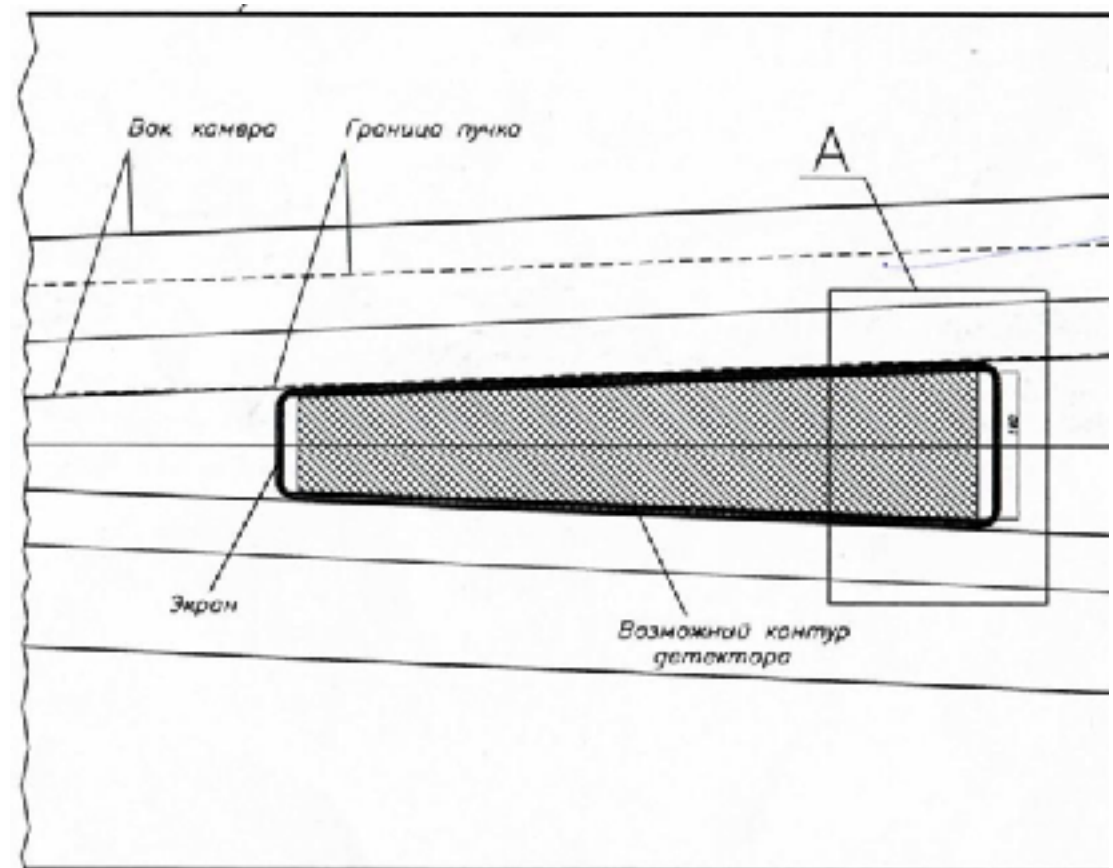


Concept:

**inner part – microchannel plates (MCP)
based detectors**

**outer part - high granularity scintillator tiles
with SIPM readout**

Zero degree calorimeter



Neutron detector and luminosity monitor

TIMELINE OF THE SPD PROJECT

- **Presence:** Forming of the **SPD international collaboration**
- **2021, Jan.:** Presentation of the **Conceptual Design Report** at JINR PAC
- **2022, Jan.:** Presentation of the **Technical Design Report** at JINR PAC
- **2022:** **Start the NICA collider operation**
- **2023-2025:** **SPD detector assembling**
- **2023+:** **Detector and physics tests** at the SPD interaction point
- **2025+:** **SPD physics run**

PARTICIPANTS OF THE SPD PROJECT

- ✓ **National Science Laboratory, Armenia**
- ✓ **Institute of Applied Physics of the Belarus Academy of Sciences;**
- **Gomel State Technical University, Belarus;**
- **Institute for Nuclear Problems of BSU – Minsk;**
- **Chilean cluster of universities, Chile**
- **Tsinghua University, Tsinghua, China**
- **Instituto Superior de Tecnologías y Ciencias Aplicadas (INsTEC), Havana University;**
- ✓ **Charles University, Prague;**
- ✓ **Technical University, Prague**
- **INFN section of Turin and University of Turin;**
- **CEA, Saclay, France;**
- ✓ **Warsaw University of Technology;**
- ✓ **Tomsk State University;**
- **Tomsk Polytechnic University;**
- ✓ **Lebedev Physics Institute of the RAS, Moscow;**
- ✓ **Institute for High Energy Physics, Protvino;**
- ✓ **Institute of Nuclear Physics of the Moscow State University;**
- **Institute for Nuclear Research of the RAS, Troitsk;**
- ✓ **Institute for Theoretical and Experimental Physics, Moscow;**
- **St. Petersburg Nuclear Physics Institute, Gatchina;**
- **St. Petersburg State University;**
- **St. Petersburg Polytechnic University;**
- ✓ **Samara National Research University;**
- ✓ **Belgorod National Research University;**
- **Kharkov National University, Kharkov, Ukraine**

Protocols for joint research
within the SPD project
signed.

✓ EoI letters received

Bilateral agreements on
NICA exist.

***List is permanently
growing***

SUMMARY

- The **Spin Physics Detector** at the NICA collider is planning as **a universal facility** for comprehensive study of polarized and unpolarized **gluon content of proton and deuteron**; in polarized high-luminosity **p-p** and **d-d** collisions at $\sqrt{s} \leq 27 \text{ GeV}$
- Nevertheless we also prepare the physics programme for the first stage of SPD operation!



- The SPD project is opened for new ideas and collaborators.