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End of the year Semínar

2023 achievements



Hadron Physics Department

HPD Conference Hall, 10:00 a.m.

December 19, 2023

## Where/When our achievements' celebrations started



# Where/When our achievements' celebrations started



# **Outlook**

### > Introduction

- > Physics
  - Nuclear Structure and Dynamics
  - Strongly Interacting Matter

## **R&D** related to the CBM Experiment at FAIR

- Physics motivation
   Multi-strip multi-gap RPCs ⇒ CBM-ToF
   TRD-2D ⇒ CBM-TRD
- > Applied Physics & Technological Transfer
- > Training & Teaching
- > Outreach
- Final considerations

*"Our goals can only be reached through a vehicle of a plan, in which we must fervently believe and upon which we vigorously act. There is no other rout of success" Pablo Picasso* 

*"The philosophies and religions of the planet Earth will come and go, but the ultimate questions will be always alive and relevant" James Leonard Park* 



#### Big-Bang



#### **Neutron Stars**

Nucleosynthesis





#### Hadron Physics Department strategy and present manpower



HPD Staff 3 - CS1 5 - CS2 1 - IDT1 2 - IDT2 2 - CS3 1 - CS 1 - Administrator IT 2 - Asistenti cercetare 1 - Fizician 3 - Ingineri 4 - Tehnicieni 1 - Frezor/Strungar 1 - Economist 1 - Ingrijitor

#### **Organizational chart of Hadron Physics Department**



2023 achievements

# Nuclear Structure and Dynamics

Nuclear Physics A504 (1989) 277-299 North-Holland, Amsterdam

## SHAPE COEXISTENCE AT HIGH SPINS IN THE NUCLEI <sup>68</sup>Ge AND <sup>72</sup>Se\*

A. PETROVICI<sup>1,2</sup>, K.W. SCHMID<sup>2</sup>, F. GRÜMMER<sup>3</sup> and Amand FAESSLER<sup>2</sup>

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<u>Multifaceted impact of shape coexistence</u> in proton-rich and neutronrich nuclei within the beyond-mean-field complex Excited Vampir model. Effects on structure, allowed and first-forbidden beta decay of nuclei with relevance for the nucleosynthesis and antineutrino anomaly.



> 2 papers submitted for publication

#### > 3 talks at International Conferences



Carpathian Summer School of Physics, 2-15 July Sinaia



The 17th International Symposium on Capture Gamma-Ray Spectroscopy and Related Topics, CGS17 is the seventeenth in the CGS conference series. Minatec in Grenoble from 17 - 21 July 2023



The NUSTAR Week 2023, October 10-13, IFIN-HH, Magurele, Romania.

# Strongly Interacting Matter

# **Motivation**



## Features of hadronic and deconfined matter from AGS to LHC energies

M.Petrovici and A.Pop, Phys.Rev. C107(2023)034913





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## Features of strangeness production in pp and heavy ion collisions

- paper draft close to be finalized



## **Physics motivation**



System	Au-Au	Pb-Pb	Pb-Pb	pp
$\sqrt{s}(GeV)$	200	2700	5020	7000
$\frac{dN_g^{in}}{dyd^2b}(fm^{-2})$	≈4.7	≈11.8	≈15.9	≈18.7
$\int f_{in}^{g}$	≈0.9	≈2.3	≈3.1	≈3.6

Following A.H. Mueller approximations NP A715(2003)20

## *Two charged particle correlations in pp collisions at 13 TeV charged particles multiplicity and sphericity dependence*





## Charged particle $p_T$ spectra - multiplicity & event shape dependence in pp collisions at 13 TeV (closure test)



(3.9775, 1.0222)

NIHAM Data Centre Contribution to ALICE GRID



- > NIHAM Data Centre continued to be one of the most efficient among Tier2s ALICE GRID centre.
- > NIHAM Data Centre is consider to join the analysis data centers.
- Several maintenance and upgrade activities were done in order to keep its performance at the highest standards.

#### **Run** coordinator presentation



#### Experimental measurements with the ALICE detector:

- > 39 (79 %) Run manager (1 block)
- > shifts at the ALICE Experiment: SL (5 blocks) and DCS (1 block)
- > Activities of general interest for the ALICE experiment: "service work": 0.5 (FLP) + 0.167 (Run Manager).

## ALICE-TPC Upgrade Party



## Talks, papers, conferences, reviews

- What is really new at LHC energies M. Petrovici, C.Andrei, A.Herghelegiu, A.Lindner, A.Pop and M.Tarzila World Quantum Day, April 27, 2023, IFIN-HH
- What is really new at LHC energies
   M. Petrovici, C. Andrei, A. Herghelegiu, A. Lindner, A. Pop, M. Tarzila, V. Topor Pop Invited talk at Carpathian Summer School of Physics, July 2-15, 2023, Sinaia https://indico.nipne.ro/event/230/sessions/43/#20230711
- A short journey through heavy ion physics, Experimental results vs. Expectations based on theory M. Petrovici Invited lecture at the CBM Juniors' day, September 24, 2023 https://indico.gsi.de/event/18056/
- > ALICE upgrades during the LHC Long Shutdown, ALICE Collaboration, arXiv:2302.01238[physics.ins-det]
- ALICE 3: potential Romanian contribution(s) M. Petrovici (IFIN-HH), A. Dobrin (ISS) ALICE Upgrade Week May 8th, 2023 https://indico.cern.ch/event/1267757/contributions/539373/attachments/2644 436/4577095/auw\_100523.pdf
- > Co-authors to 57 ALICE published papers
- > Contribution to 14 conference presentations on behalf of ALICE Collaboration
- > 2 institutional reviews for 2 ALICE papers were done
- > Review committee members for 3 Analysis Notes

## ALICE future



# Our proposal (in collaboration with ISS) Large Baryon densities outside the central rapidity region

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Forward rapidity tracker and ToF



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## Fondazione Bruno Kessler Custom Silicon Photomultipliers



Detector-grade clean-room, 6 inches, class 10 and 100



Silicon Photomultipliers account for a significant portion of the detectors fabricated here.



#### **Private Research Foundation**

- ~400 researchers in different fields, ranging from Microelectronics to Information Technology
- 50% funding from local government
- 50% self-funding rate
  - 25% from publicly funded research
  - 25% from collaboration with companies

FBK is typically interested in R&D activities and collaborations to <u>improve and</u> <u>customize SiPM technology for specific applications</u>.

Large area productions can be carried out in FBK (up to ~5 sqm) or relying on external partners (low cost): success stories of technology transfers.





# Fondazione Bruno Kessler Custom SiPM technology roadmap

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**R&D** Activities X Steps towards construction & tests of CBM ToF & TRD subdetectors CBM Experiment @ FAIR

## Why CBM Experiment @ FAIR (SIS100)





R.D. Pisarski and F. Rennecke, Phys.Rev.Lett. 127(2021)152302 *arXiv:2101.10847[nucl-th]* 

## Why CBM Experiment @ FAIR (SIS100)

° 0.1

 $v_2$  - collision energy, centrality and  $p_T$  dependence

° 0.1∟



Elliptic flow v2, for Z=1 particles as a function of collision energy



# CBM – TOF inner wall



CBM – TOF Technical Design Report, October 2014

#### **<u>CBM-ToF Requirements</u>**

- > Full system time resolution  $\sigma_T \sim 80$  ps
- ➢ Efficiency ≥ 95%
- > Rate capability  $\simeq 50 \text{ kHz/cm}^2$
- Polar angular range 2.5° 25°
- Active area of 120 m<sup>2</sup>
- > Occupancy < 5%
- Low power electronics (~120.000 channels)
- > Free streaming data acquisition







#### *Our R&D activity* → *MSMGRPCs for the inner wall*

1	MRPC1c (196 mm)	MRPC1b (96 mm)	MRPC1a (56 mm)	Total
No. RPCs	168	108	40	316
No. channels	10752	6912	2560	20,224

## **Prototype with a directed flow – 100% gas transmission**



#### Cosmic - ray tests of the direct flow prototypes

**Direct flow MSMGRPC stack** 

Experimental setup for cosmic rays test





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*Efficiency* = 94.8%

#### Cosmic - ray tests of the direct flow prototypes

Home made rectangular discrete spacers 2 mm x 2 mm, 200 µm thickness



Disk geometry discrete spacers  $\phi=2 \text{ mm}, 170 \mu \text{m}$  thickness









Time (min)

Installed & waiting for beam @ mCBM



# CBM – TOF inner wall M0 structure and components













#### > Papers

- 1. M. Petris et al., High time resolution, two-dimensional position sensitive MSMGRPC for high energy physics experiments, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A, <u>1045</u>, (2023), 167621
- 2. V. Aprodu et al., Aging suppression, high time resolution and 2D-position sensitive Multi-Strip Multi-Gap Resistive Plate Counter for high rate experiments, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A, <u>1049</u> (2023), 168098

#### > Conferences

1. M.Petris et al., Aging suppression timing Multi-Strip Multi-Gap Resistive Plate Counter for high counting rate experiments, 3 International Aging Conference on Detector Stability and Aging Phenomena in Gaseous Detectors, 6 – 10 November 2023, CERN, Geneva.



#### Contributions at CBM Progress Reports

CBM Progress Report 2022 (2023):https://dx.doi.org/10.15120/GSI-2023-00384

- 1. M. Petris et al., In-beam test in the mCBM setup of the high time resolution and 2D-position sensitive MSMGRPC for high rate experiments, pg. 125
- 2. V. Aprodu et al., Aging suppression for high time resolution and 2D-position sensitive Multi-Strip Multi-Gap Resistive Plate Counter in high irradiation dose, pg. 123

#### > Presentations at CBM Collaboration meeting

 M. Petris et al., Status and plans for the CBM-TOF inner wall
 41<sup>st</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 6 – 10 March 2023, Darmstadt, Germany.
 D. Dorobantu et al. Latest results on aging studies of MSMGRPC for the inner zone of the CBM – TOF
 42<sup>nd</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 24 – 29 September 2023, Bucharest, Romania
 M. Petris et al. In-house tests of the direct gas flow prototypes for the CBM-TOF inner wall
 42<sup>nd</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 24 – 29 September 2023, Bucharest, Romania
 L. Radulescu et al. Status of the M0 module construction
 42<sup>nd</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 24 – 29 September 2023, Bucharest, Romania

# TRD-2D – first results



# TRD2D @ mCBM 2022 preliminary performances



## Infrastructure for TRD-2D construction

## Maintenance and update of the infrastructure in view of TRD-2D prototype construction



A list of some items required for the specific architecture of the TRD-2D chambers have been identified in terms of design requirements, QA devices and sub-components providers

CBM-TRD Addendum approved by the FAIR ECE&ECSG

#### Contributions at CBM Progress Reports

CBM Progress Report 2022 (2023): https://dx.doi.org/10.15120/GSI-2023-00384

1. A. Bercuci et al., TRD-2D as intermediate tracker for the CBM experiment, pg 108

2. C. Andrei et al., TRD-2D prototype for the Production Readiness Review, pg 110

#### Presentations at CBM Collaboration meetings

1. A Bercuci Alignment in mCBM 41<sup>st</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 6 – 10 March 2023, Darmstadt, Germany.

2. A Bercuci Alignment tools 41<sup>st</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 6 – 10 March 2023, Darmstadt, Germany.

4. M. Petris et al.,
TRD-2D QA Tests
41<sup>st</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 6 – 10 March 2023, Darmstadt, Germany.

5. A Bercuci et al. Applying the CA tracker to mCBM 2022 data v42<sup>nd</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 24 – 29 September 2023, Bucharest, Romania

6. A Bercuci et al.
 Performance studies with TRD-2D and TRD-1D
 42<sup>nd</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 24 – 29 September 2023, Bucharest, Romania

7. A Bercuci et al.
 Recent developments: TRD software
 42<sup>nd</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 24 – 29 September 2023, Bucharest, Romania

8. A. Bercuci et al. TRD2D Status & Perspectives 42<sup>nd</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting, 24 – 29 September 2023, Bucharest, Romania

#### CBM - TRD-2D FEE

#### New FASP packaging

•New flip-chip BGA packaging (11 mm x 11 mm) designed and produced.

•Reduced footprint  $\rightarrow$  better integration, reduced material budget.

•500 dies produced and packaged.







New Test Board

As pinout changed, new test board was required.
New simple test board (FASP-TB4) designed and produced.
Newly packaged FASPs were tested using the new test board: ~ 82 % ok.









#### CBM - TRD-2D FEE

#### New FEE board (FASPRO3-F2)

- >Design complete, production inquiry ongoing
- » Complex (18 layers), integrated board.
- >12 FASPs (new package), 6 ADC chips (32 channes each), 3 PolarFire FPGAs.
- >Side connectors for various configurations. Compatible with previously developed and produced card G-A-01 => current (CROB-based) DAQ chain should be easy to adapt to the new board.
- >Other (more efficient) methods to connect to CRI should be possible (to be developed).
- > Various auxiliary cards (to be installed in the side connectors) currently under development.



#### Firmware-related activities

- > On the FEE (PF) side: due to the physical constraints in PolarFire FPGA, several test firmware configurations had to be developed during the design of FASPR03-F2 in order to verify the viability of the intended pin usage.
- > On the CRI side: CRI1 firmware was fully (without TFC) ported (build system, PCIExpress bifurcation, GTY usage for gbt-fpga, software, etc.) to HTG-Z922 card used as CRI for local tests.

#### > Contributions at CBM Progress Reports

CBM Progress Report 2022 (2023): https://dx.doi.org/10.15120/GSI-2023-00384

1. A. Bercuci and C. Şchiaua, TRD-2D at mCBM – Data quality for the benchmark run 58Ni + 58Ni at Tlab = 1.93 AGeV, pg. 113

2. A. Bercuci et al., TRD-2D at mCBM, FEE and DAQ for the mCBM 2022 campaign, pg. 119

#### > Presentations at CBM Collaboration meetings

C. Schiaua et al. Progress on the TRD-2D DAQ chain 42nd CBM Collaboration Meeting, 24 – 29 September 2023, Bucharest, Romania Applied Research & Technologícal Transfer

## *TiO*<sub>2</sub>+graphene nano-materials deposited on stainless steel substrate

GRAFTID, contract 29/2020-2024 IFIN partner within EAA & Norway Grants



#### 21th International Balkan Workshop on Applied Physics, IBWAP 2023

*1 "SEM-EDS, AFM and RBS investigations of TIO*<sub>2</sub>+*graphene oxide* nanopowders deposited on metallic substrate by electrophoretic method for evaluation of their immobilization level" – autori <u>Alice-Ortansa Mateescu</u>, <u>Gheorghe Mateescu</u>, Paul-Emil Mereuta, Cristina Burducea, Ion Burducea, Marcela-Corina Rosu, Crina Socaci

2. "Functionalized surfaces of TIO<sub>2</sub> nanotubes/ graphene-based nanomaterials and metallic nanoparticles for the treatment of emerging organic pollutants" – autori <u>Alice-Ortansa Mateescu</u>, <u>Gheorghe Mateescu</u>, Paul-Emil Mereuta, Cristina Burducea, Ion Burducea, Marcela-Corina Rosu, Crina Socaci, Kaiying Wang

## Training & teaching

#### 2 master thesis finalized



An innovative architecture of Multi-Strip Multi-Gap Resistive Plate Counters (MSMGRPCs) for the inner zone of the Time-of-Flight system of the CBM experiment

MASTER'S THESIS

Daniel-Ion DOROBANŢU

Scientific Advisers: Prof. Dr Mihai PETROVICI Dr Mariana PETRIŞ Prof. Dr Mihaela SIN

#### Students from Technical University, Bucharest



#### Visit of the CERN Council President, Prof. Dr. Eliezer Rabinovici





ogramul de studii Sisteme electronice și de comunicații integrate - RCD

NAN Adriana-Georgiana

VISUALISATION OF DATA AND VALIDATION OF RECONSTRUCTION ALGORITHMS USED IN HADRONIC PHYSICS EXPERIMENTS

VIZUALIZAREA DATELOR ȘI VALIDAREA ALGORITMILOR DE RECONSTRUCTIE FOLOSIȚI ÎN CADRUL EXPERIMENTELOR DE FIZICĂ HADRONICĂ





## Visits

Visit of HPD DetLabs by the students participating to the EuroLab School



#### Juniors' day - CBM Collaboration 2 lectures and visit in the HPD Labs



Outreach HPD Calendar HPD Courier no.5





2 movies with the assembling and tests of the MSMGRPC and TRD-2D

#### 42<sup>nd</sup> CBM Collaboration Meeting



Information for Zoom access:

CBM Meeting Committee: - Dr. Juergen Eschke - Dr. Volker Friese - Prof. Dr. Norbert Herrmann - Prof. Dr. Mihai Petrovici Local organizing Committee: - Dr. Cristian Andrei - Mrs. Denisa Cranganu - Secretary - Mrs. Alexandra Olteanu - Financial Manager - Dr. Mariana Petriș - Prof. Dr. Mihai Petrovici - Mr. Adrian Socolov - Graphic designer - Dr. Mădălina Târzilă

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#### Application Sie sind für diese Veranstaltung

angemeldet. / You are registered for this event.





42nd CBM Collaboration Meeting Bucharest , Romania September 24-29, 2023



## **RO-CERN - suggestions for Outreach Project**

- How to become visible and competitive in Large Scale International Collaborations ?

- Developed and produced in Romania for CERN
- Would you like to operate by yourself some of the detectors used in CERN experiments ?

### Etaj 2 (Room 203)

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#### In close and efficient collaboration with ALICE group from ISS





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#### In close and efficient collaboration with ALICE group from ISS



posters/large monitors

From precursors up to the state of the art detectors used in the ALICE Experiment at LHC for which development, construction and operation the Romanian groups had and have an essential contribution

#### In close and efficient collaboration with ALICE group from ISS

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- ALICE OROC real size with PP, GEM and Drift Electrode
- Large Area Position Sensitive Ionization Chamber
- ALICE TRD real size components, i.e. radiator, chamber, PP
- samples of electronics and a microscope to see bonded CHIPS

explanatory posters/large monitors - detectors; movies - assembling and tests

explanatory posters/large monitors - evolution DAQ and computing

From precursors up to the state of the art detectors used in the ALICE Experiment at LHC for which development, construction and operation the Romanian groups had and have an essential contribution

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## **Experimental stand**

#### In close and efficient collaboration with ALICE group from ISS



TRD-2D & MSMGRPC candidates for ALICE3 -large rapidity PID

**Physics motivation** 



explanatory posters/large monitors - movies - assembling and testing TRD-2D & MSMGRPC explanatory posters/large monitors - ALICE3

## Awarding a Half a Century Adventure

The roots of our Hadron Physics Department trace back close to 50 years ago, when the Tandem accelerator of the Institute for Atomic Physics, follow-up of the Institute for Physics of Romanian Academy founded by Horia Hulubei 70 years ago, was in the commissioning phase. Few months later, spring 1973, the first experiments started, based on ORTEC type reaction chambers and silicon

detectors. The Tandem column has been destroyed by a severe earthquake in 1977. Supported by French community, we proposed and performed measurements at the Saclay Tandem using the Q3D magnetic spectrometer.

1981 was the year when our collaboration started with GSI- Darmstadt. The experiments performed at UNILAC were based on large size spherical and cylindrical reaction chambers housing experimental configurations 1987 close to  $4\pi$  geometries in the center of mass, based on large area position sensitive ionization chambers, position sensitive parallel plate avalanche counters, plastic scintillators and silicon telescopes.

With such an experience, we initiated in Bucharest a rather ambitious project to build a versatile experimental set-up DRACULA foreseen to be used at the Bucharest Tandem+Post Accelerator

based on room temperature resonators.

## **1978**







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1984





1999





Late 1990. **DRACULA** was transported at LNS Catania and mounted

on a dedicated beam line of the Tandem. Following the fruitful collaboration with GSI, in 1987 we joined from the very

2002

beginning the FOPI Collaboration who built the FOPI Experiment at SIS18 for studying the heavy ion collisions at energies up to 2 A·GeV. In the same period we joined for couple of years CHIMERA Collaboration at LNS. As a natural follow-up, in 1999 we became member of ALICE Collaboration at CERN, a dedicated experiment to study heavy ion collisions at ultra-relativistic energies foreseen to be delivered by Large Hadron Collider (LHC), the main physics motivation being the production of deconfined matter and study the dynamics and properties

of this new state of matter supposed to be characteristic at few  $\mu$ sec after Big-Bang.

Although the Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research (FAIR) Project

officially started by Fall 2007, the idea of an heavy ion experiment for mapping the QCD Phase Diagram in the region of phase transition and critical point was launched in 2002. Members of Hadron Physics Department joined this CBM Collaboration from the very beginning.

LNS

In the following are reviewed the HPD main contributions over the years in developing detection systems, associated front electronics and DAQ, assembling and testing significant components of different LARGE SCALE experiments using HPP5 infrastructure, computing, physics, training and organization of international events in Romania.

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Tandem



## Awarding a Half a Century Adventure







