

# A future for Computational Fluid Dynamic at CERN (?)

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## From fluid dynamics to Computational Fluid Dynamics

- What is CFD
- Industrial and CERN applications
- The CFD service team at CERN
- Opportunities
- What future for this team?



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#### **Computational Fluid Dynamics**

- ✓Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) is an analysis of fluid flow, heat transfer and associated phenomena in physical systems using numerical methods.
- The basis of computational fluid dynamics is the reduction of the continuum differential equations describing the dynamics of the fluid (Navier-Stokes + mass and energy conservation equations) into a system of algebraic equations at a finite number of "grid" points, and the solving of the equations at these limited number of points only.

CFD is developing fast in many industry fields









Environment

Marine

Power gen.

Turb

...and at CERN?



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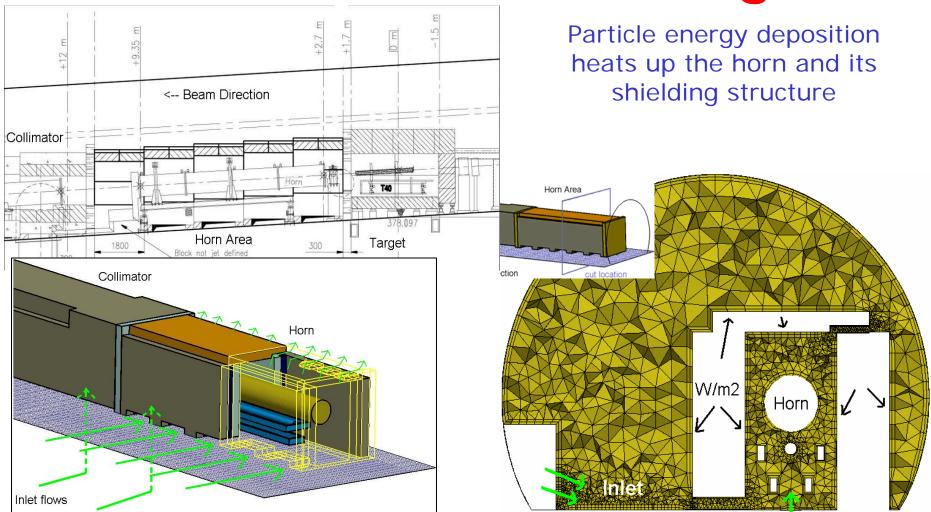
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### **CNGS Horn Air Cooling**



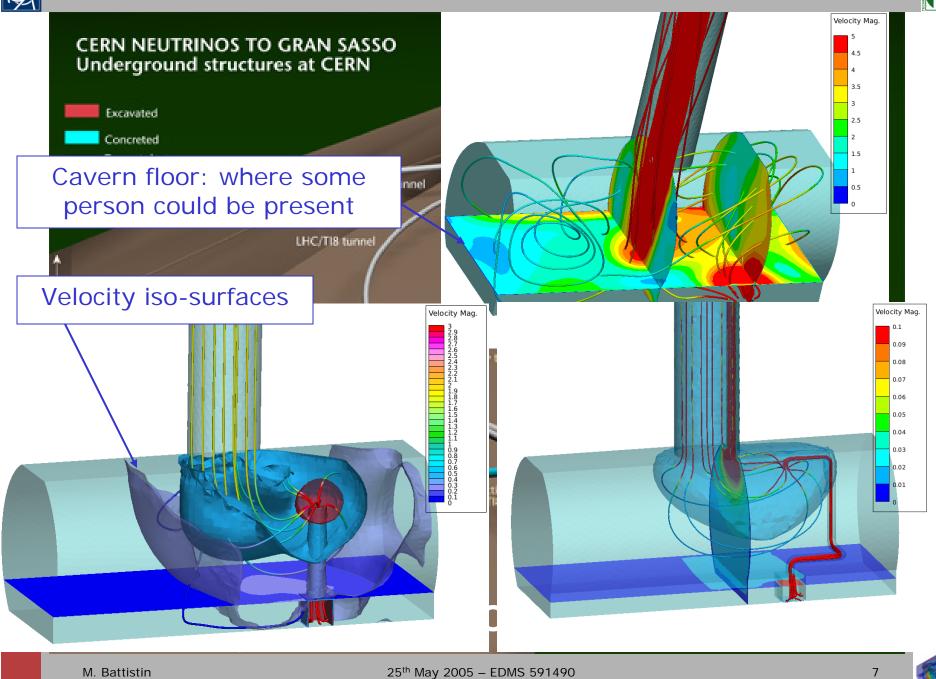
CFD simulations helped to decide modifications even during the construction phase





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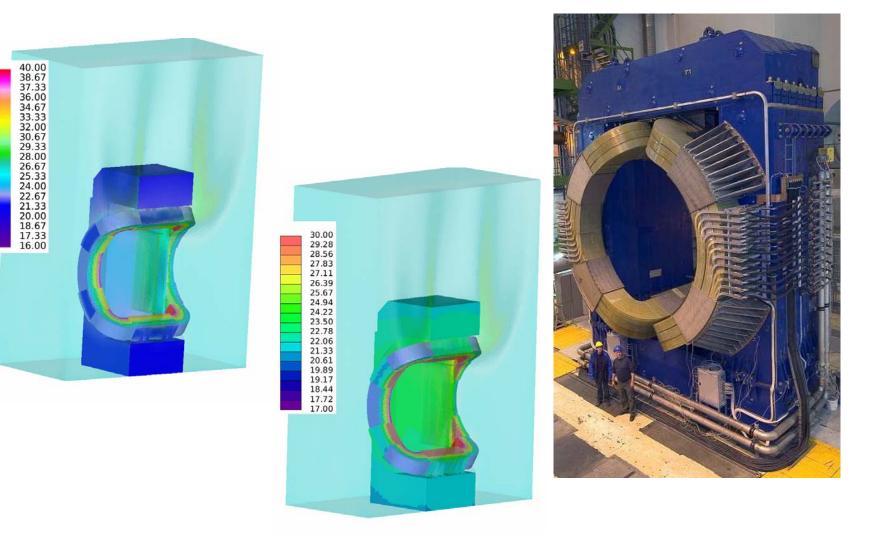








#### **Alice Muons Detector heat transfer**

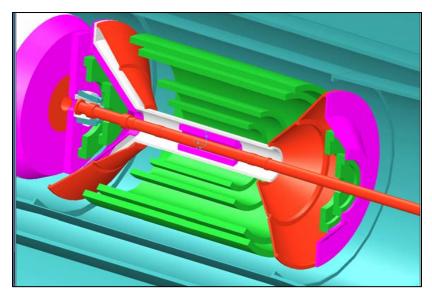


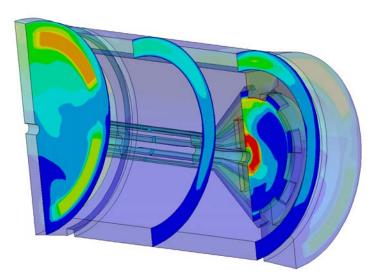






#### Alice ITS: no time for prototypes

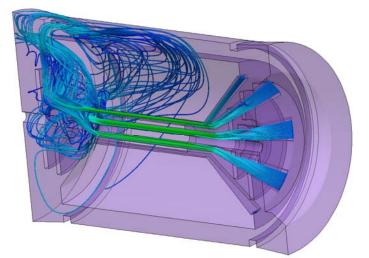




At CERN, most of the times, the final system is the prototype.

CFD can provide insight into fluid flow problems when experimental techniques are too expensive or physically impossible.

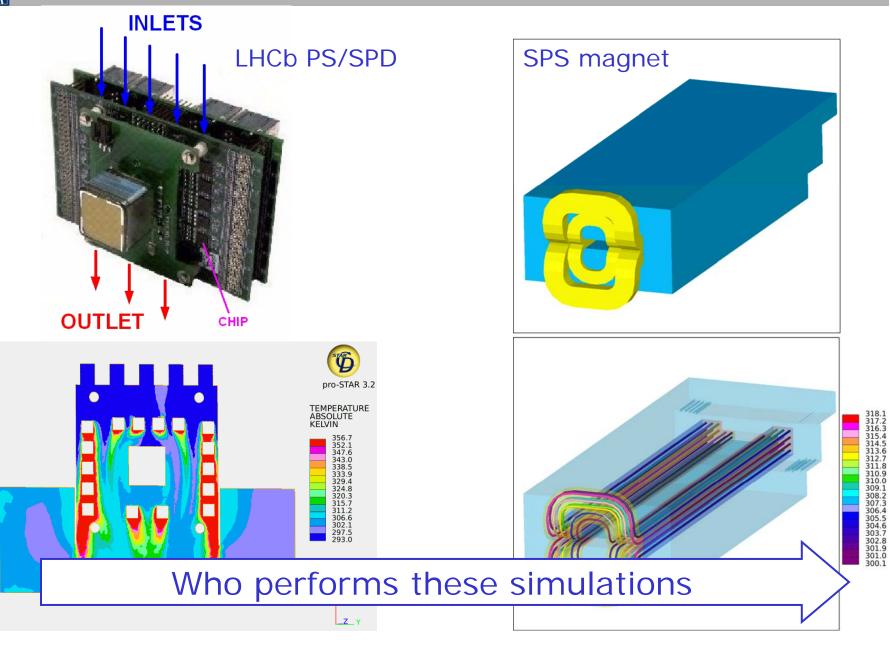
The Alice, ATLAS and CMS Inner Trackers are good examples.

















#### ...a new team... and its opportunities



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# Computing power IS the limiting resource of CFD

- LxParc (6 DP machines)
- OpenLab tests
- 20 Itanium 64 bit DP machines cluster
- 20 kCHF to improve ~8 times the calculation speed



• IT could support the implementation of CFD on GRID



The Grid will become soon THE natural calculation environment for CFD applications.

CERN CFD team could have the opportunity to run simulations in this environment with an important advance and advantage over the industry!







#### **Experience and continuous training**



High turnover doesn't allow knowledge consolidation

Induction training: Technical students Spanish & Portuguese programs Project Associates Doctoral Students Fellows

An important competence on this field can be achieved only with a **long term training strategy** which unfortunately is not compatible with the present nature of contracts of the team members!

In order to maintain at least the CFD framework a dedicated <u>staff position</u> with the mandate of technical coordination of the team is required!

