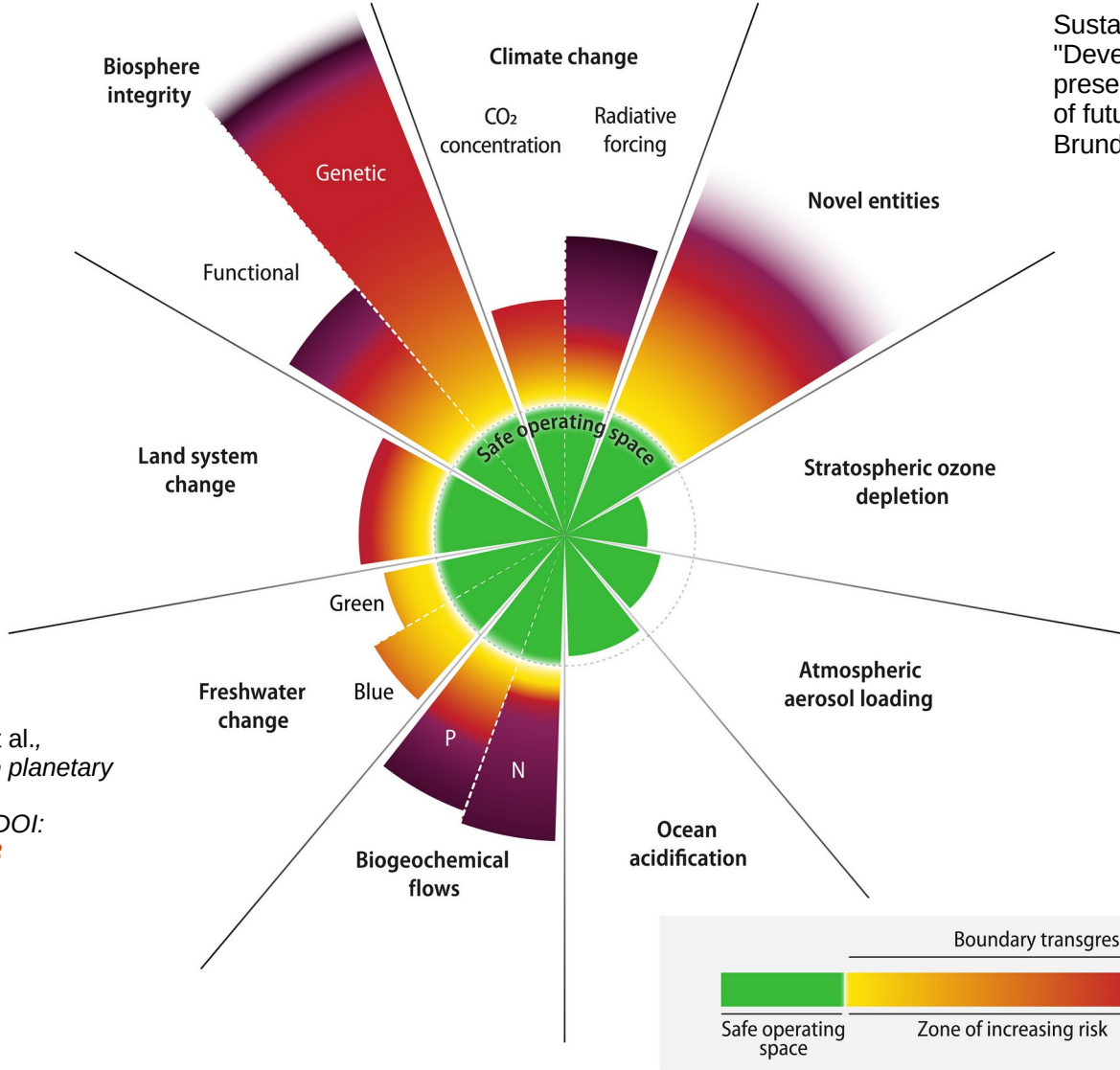

Sustainability issues

13/11/24

Samuel Calvet



Sustainability = be within planetary boundaries



Sustainable development:
 "Development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs"
 Brundtland Report (1987) for UN

Climate change
 used as
 a **convenient proxy**
 from now on...

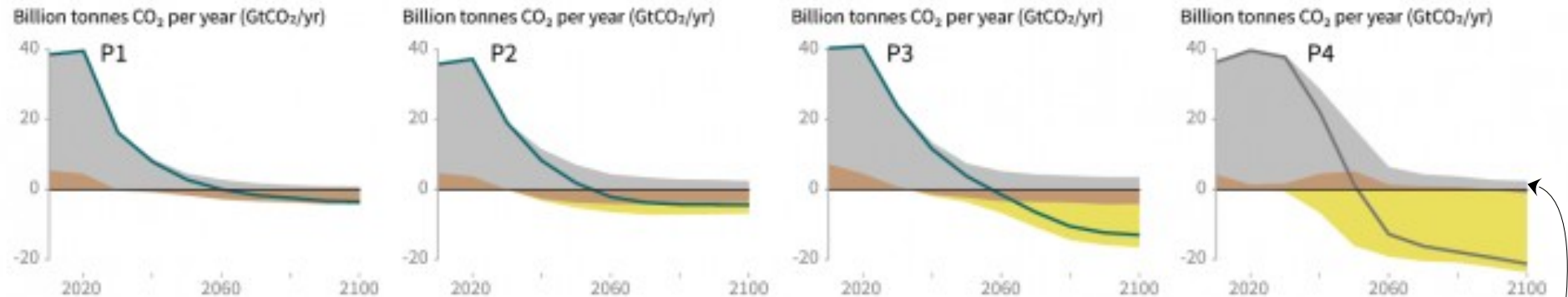
Katherine Richardson et al.,
Earth beyond six of nine planetary boundaries. *Sci. Adv.* 9, eadh2458 (2023). DOI: [10.1126/sciadv.adh2458](https://doi.org/10.1126/sciadv.adh2458)

Climate change & society – in 1 slide

Breakdown of contributions to global net CO₂ emissions in four illustrative model pathways

● Fossil fuel and industry ● AFOLU ● BECCS

IPCC, Special Report: Global Warming of 1.5 °C, 2018
<https://www.ipcc.ch/sr15/chapter/spm/>



- The longer we wait to reduce our CO₂ emissions, the more carbon capture (CC) technology will be needed

=2t/pers

- Neutrality needed by ~2050

- CC techs are not yet ready

- Carbon budget (to stay <2°C, with 50% chance) : 200GtCO₂eq (starting from early 2023)

[Forster et al., 2024, Earth System Science Data](#)

This talk...

◆ I am not an accelerator/detector expert !

◆ Going to do a short bibliography review

- Using a critical sustainability perspective
- Trying to answer some questions:

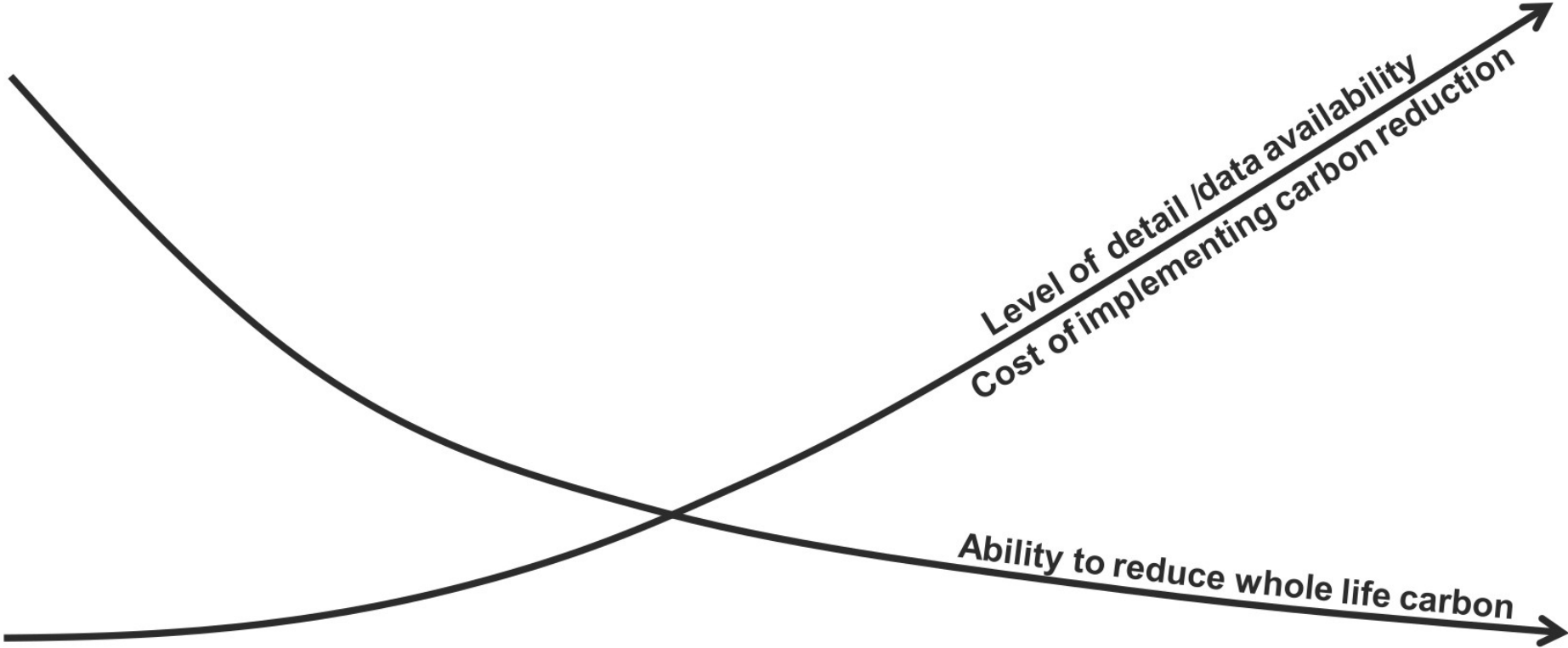
- *How could we minimize our emissions ? (carbon budget!)
and environmental footprint ?*

- *How could our big projects help humanity to meet its challenges ?*

- *What kind of projects can live in 2050 ?*

Assuming: a zero net emission world, stable enough to perform big science

The key plot



You are here

From CLIC&ILC Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)

What are the main ingredients ?

Environnemental footprint = tunnel

+ accelerator construction

+ accelerator operation

+ detector construction

+ detector operation

+ collaboration life

}_x Nexperiments

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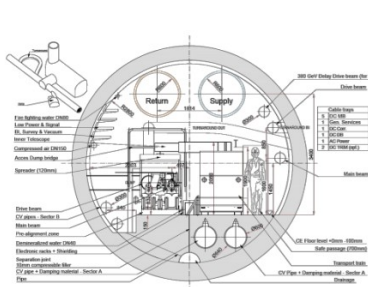
Today: 35tCO₂eq/year/LHC physicist when LHC is running
(not accounting for travels, WLCG, ...)

Tunnel (@LO)

Main parameters:

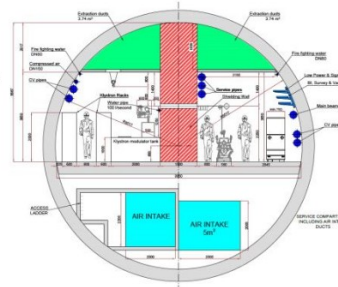
length, profile : amount of concrete and steel

11-50km



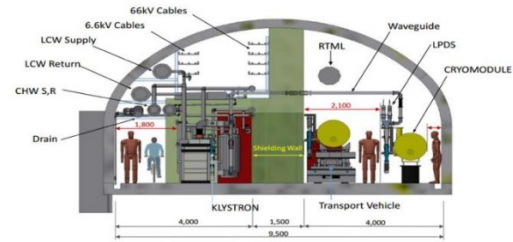
CLIC Drive beam, 5.6m dia.
Geneva

Energies: 380GeV, 1.5TeV, 3TeV.



CLIC Klystron, 10m dia.
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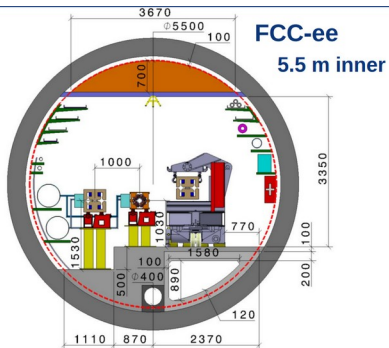


ILC, 9.5m span
Tohoku Region, Japan

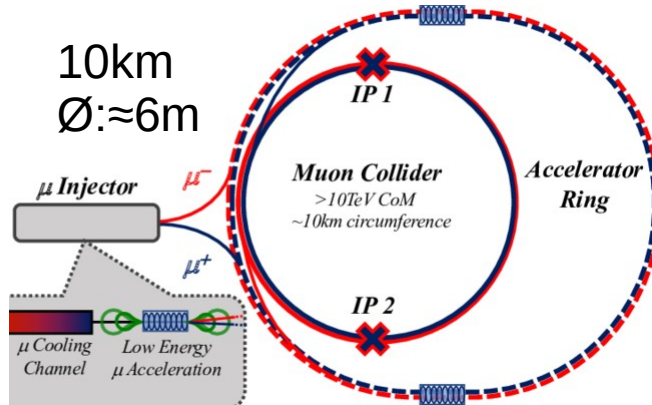
Energies: 250GeV

33km

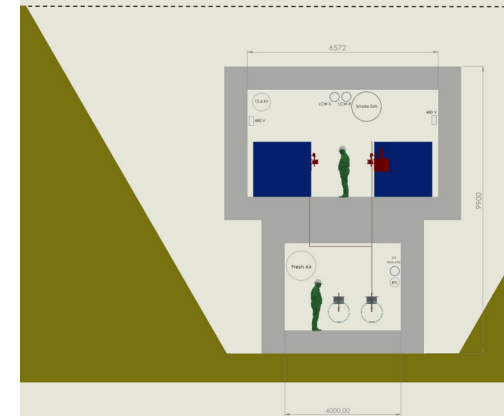
90km



10km
Ø: ≈6m



CCC
8km
T=80K

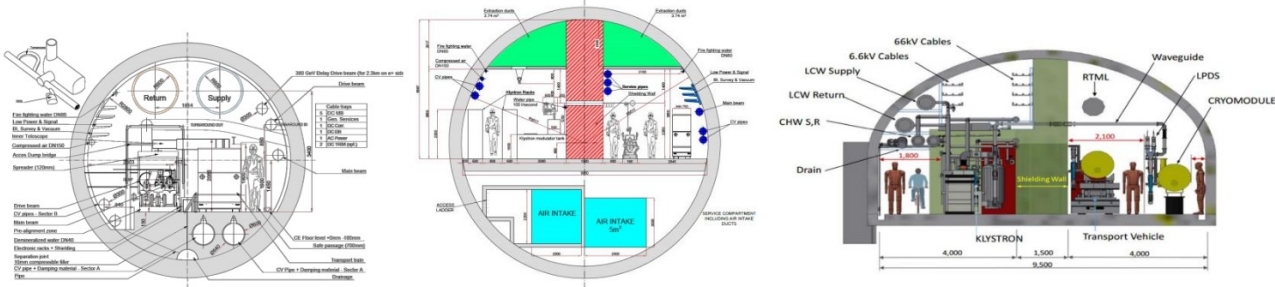


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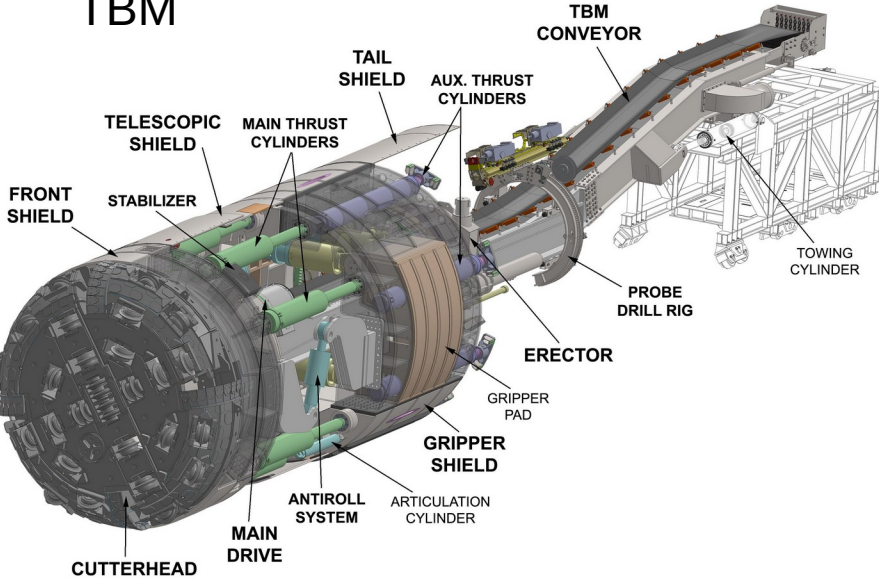
Main parameters:

length, profile : amount of concrete and steel, technology

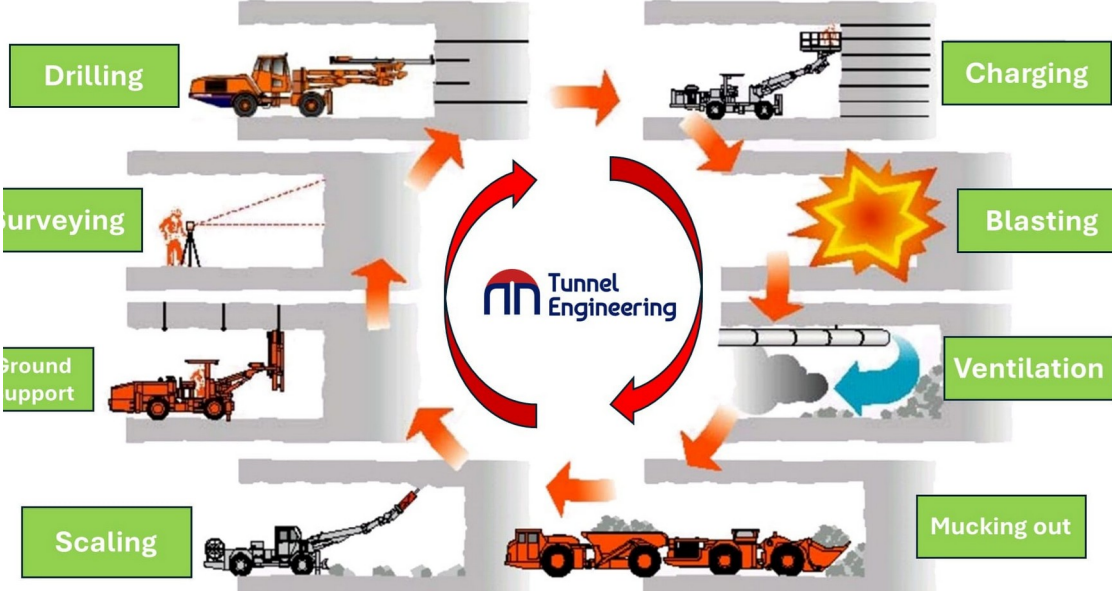
11-50km



TBM



Blast and drill

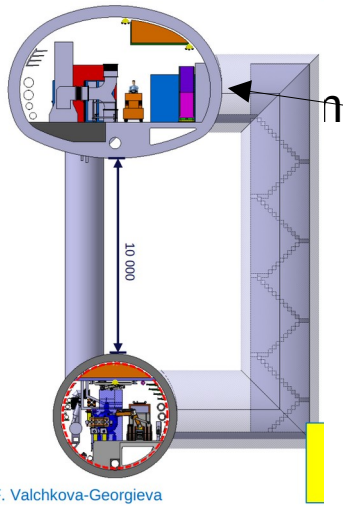


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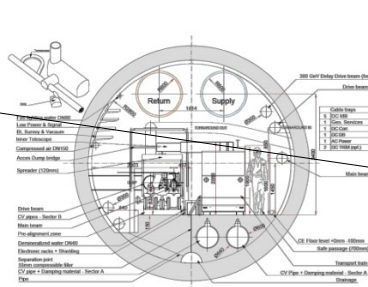
Tunnel (@NLO)

Main parameters:

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klystron isolation, number of shafts, caverns

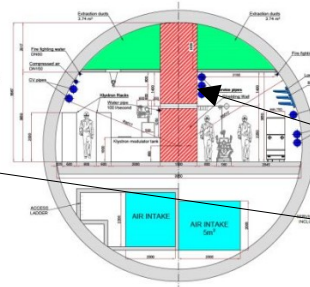


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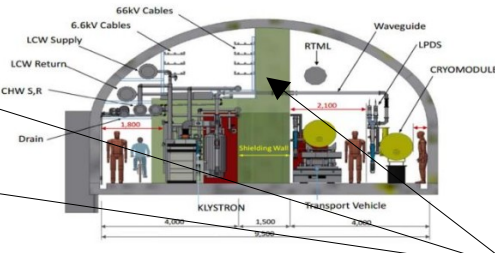
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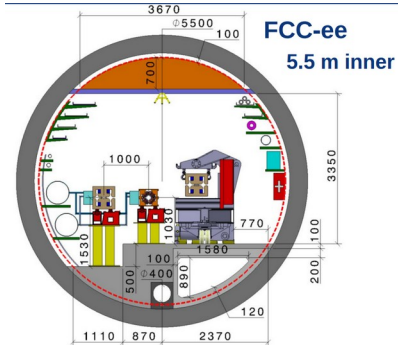
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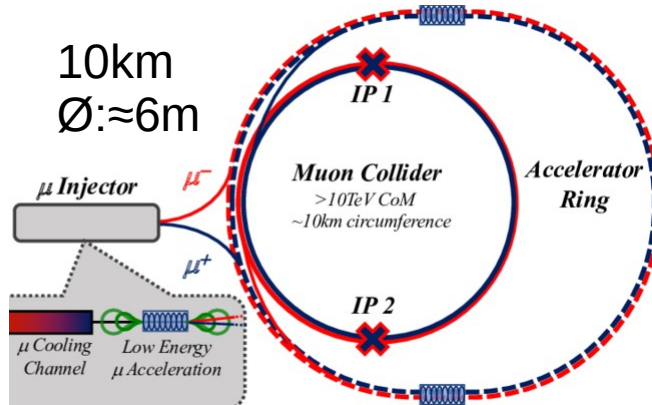
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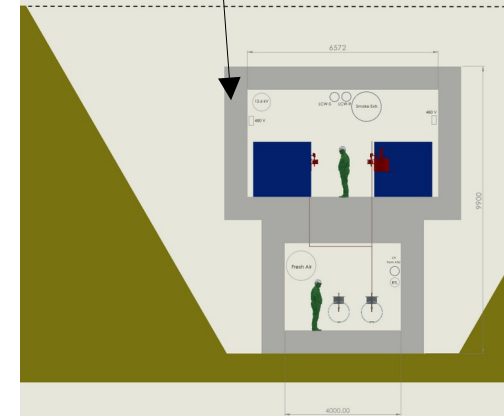
Isolate the beams from klystron's heat and electromagnetic noise



FCC-ee
5.5 m inner



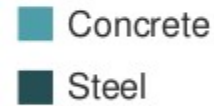
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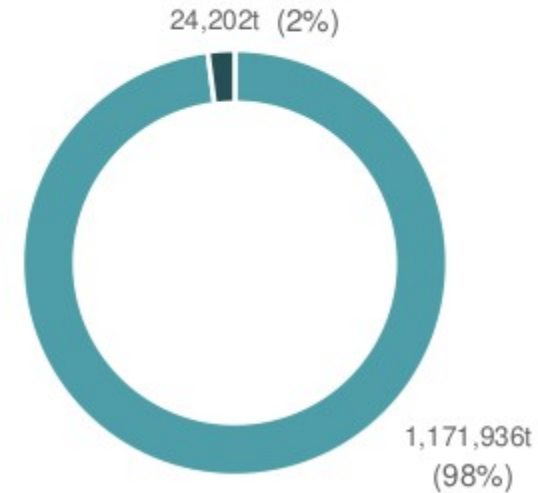
Tunnel + everything related to it

Ex: ILC

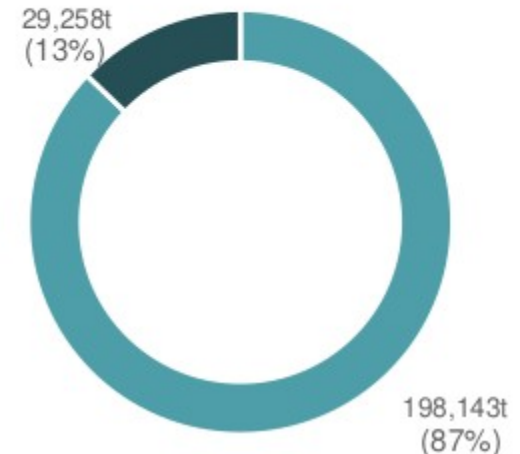
- CEMI concrete
- 80% recycled steel



ILC 250GeV
Material Breakdown (t)



ILC 250GeV
A1-A3 GWP Breakdown (tCO₂e)

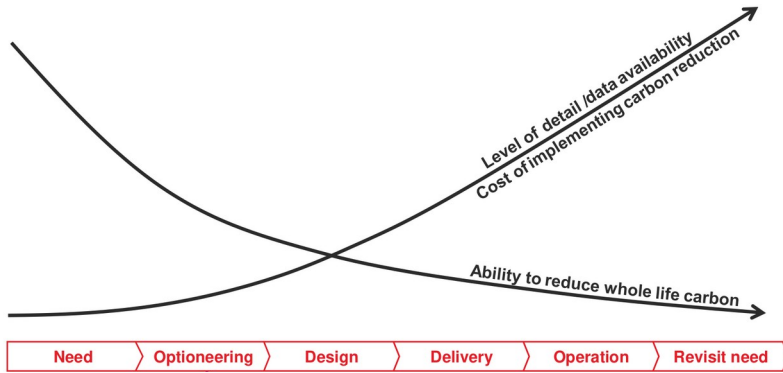


Project	Main tunnel length (km)	GWP (kton CO ₂ e)			
		Main tunnel + other structures	+ A4-A5	Total	Change (%)
FCC	90.6	578	751	939	
CEPC	100	638	829	1040	+60%
ILC	13.3	97.6	227	266	+170%
CLIC	11.5	73.4	98	127	+70%
C ³	8.0	133	133	146	+10%

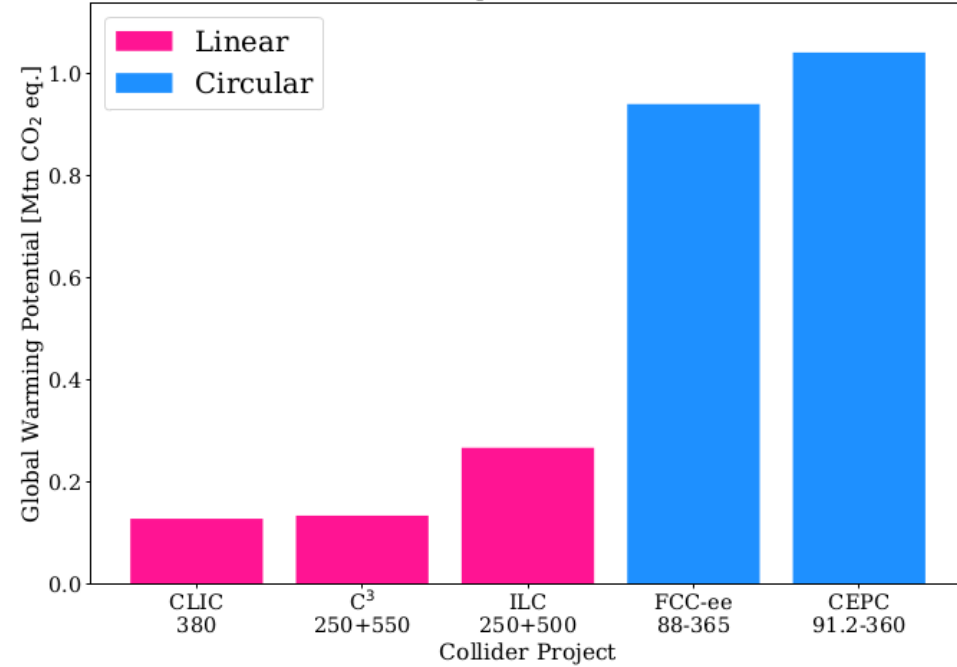
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Tunnels @NLO

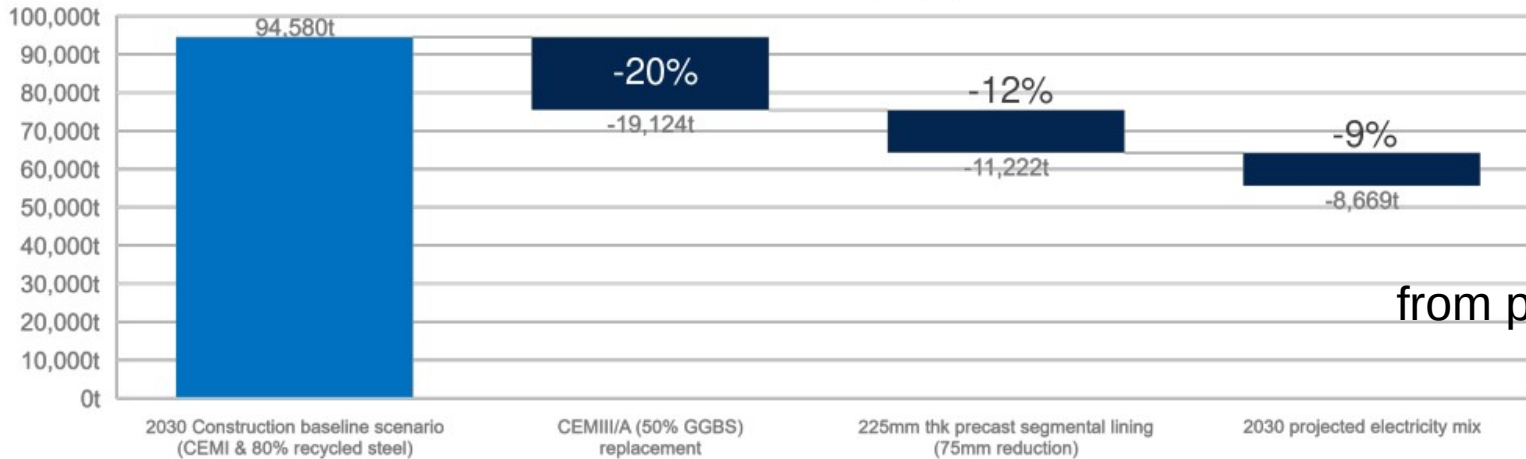
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Carbon Footprint of Construction



A1-A5 Tunnels GWP (tCO₂e)



NLO corrections...
 from possible improvements
 (ex CLIC Drive beam):

Tunnels @NLO

Recent FCC LCA: big impact of

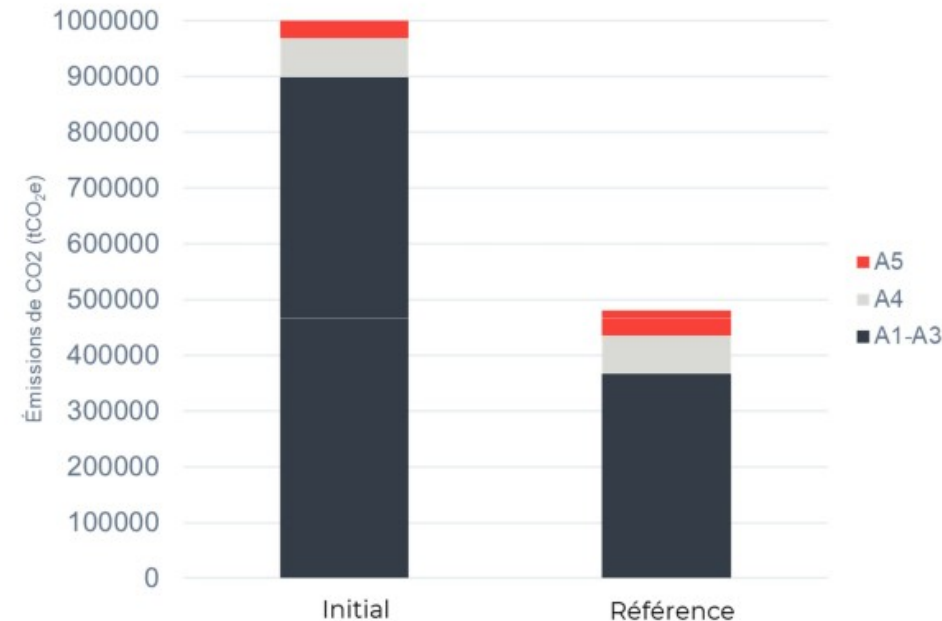
Matériaux de référence dans l'outil OneClickLCA	Émission CO ₂	Fournisseurs locaux avec une proposition équivalente	Réduction par rapport au matériau initial
Steel sheets, generic, 100% recycled content, S235, S275 and S355	0.87 kgCO ₂ e/kg	Sottas Morand	77%
Steel fibre for concrete reinforcement, 100% recycled content	0.51 kgCO ₂ e/kg	Sottas	75%
Reinforcement steel (rebar), generic, 100% recycled content, A615	0.42 kgCO ₂ e/kg	Stahl Sottas	70%
Ready-mix concrete, normal strength, generic, C35/45 (5000/6500 PSI) with CEM III/A (340 kg/m ³)	170.36 kgCO ₂ e/m ³	Probéton Vigier Holcim	48%
Ready-mix concrete, low-strength, generic, C12/15 (1700/2200 PSI) (220 kg/m ³)	149.41 kgCO ₂ e/m ³	Probéton Vigier Holcim	31%
Ready-mix concrete, normal-strength, generic, C40/50 (5800/7300 PSI) with CEM III/B,	173.00 kgCO ₂ e/m ³	Probéton Vigier Holcim	39%

Possible k-factor of 0.5

But need to check ...

- the scaling up with industry
- the cost
- the timescale

Calcul initial	Scénario de référence
999 780 tCO ₂ (eq)	477 390 tCO ₂ (eq)
Réduction	52%



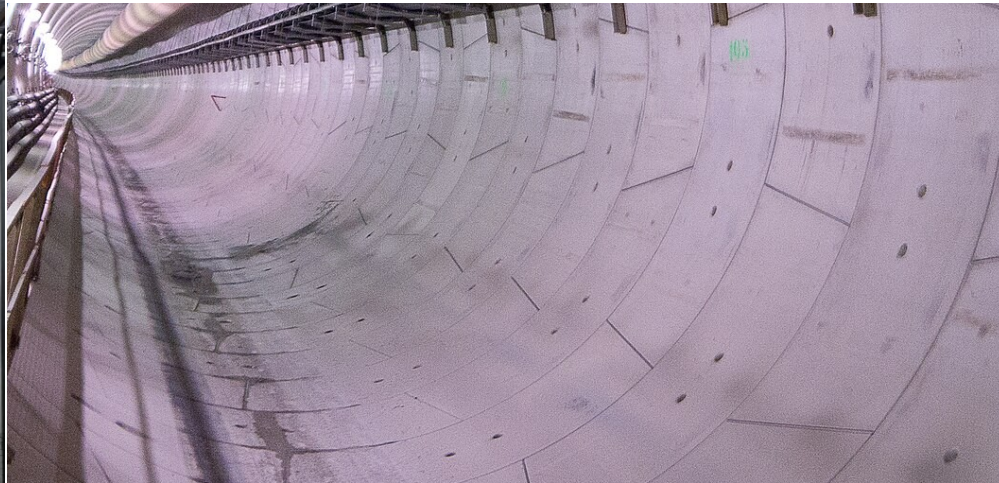
Toward a 0-net CO₂ emission tunnel ?

Industry is elaborating cement free concrete

- cement fully replaced by steel slag
- CO₂ captured from a plant
- CO₂ injected into the slag+gravel to produce concrete
- **negative CO₂eq concrete** ! (but only prefab)

<https://carbicrete.com/specify-carbicrete/>

Needs to certify the concrete for tunnel usage
Usual scaling-up issue, but would help the civil society



Idea submitted to CERN last week

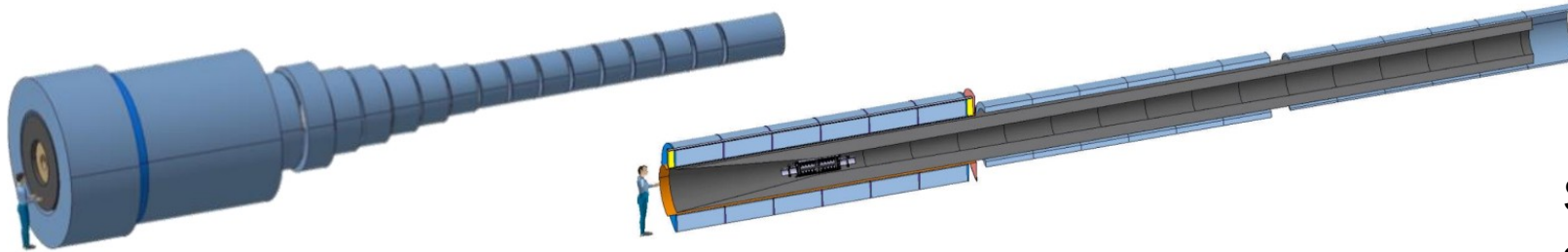
Accelerator construction

- ▶ Could not not find a lot of evaluations...
- ▶ Interesting one: muon collider

Future accelerator technologies? High Temperature Superconductors



Target & Capture Solenoids for the Muon Collider



Save energy
& materials

US-MAP
Proposal
(<2016)

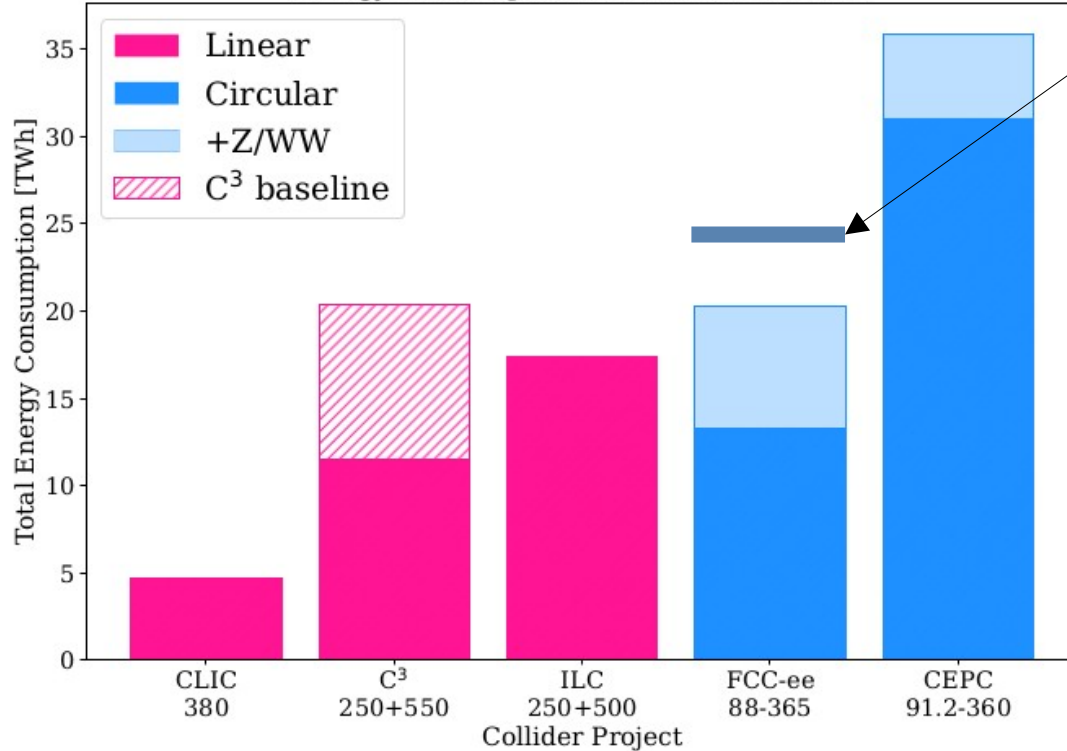
$E_M = 2.9 \text{ GJ}$
 $T_{op} = 4.2 \text{ K}$
 $M_{coils} = 200 \text{ tons}$
 $M_{shield} = 300 \text{ tons}$
 $P = 12 \text{ MW}$

$EM = 1 \text{ GJ}$
 $T_{op} = 10...20 \text{ K}$
 $M_{coils} = 110 \text{ tons}$
 $M_{shield} = 196 \text{ tons}$
 $P = 1 \text{ MW}$

IMCC
Proposal
(2023)

Accelerator operations

Energy Consumption of Different Colliders



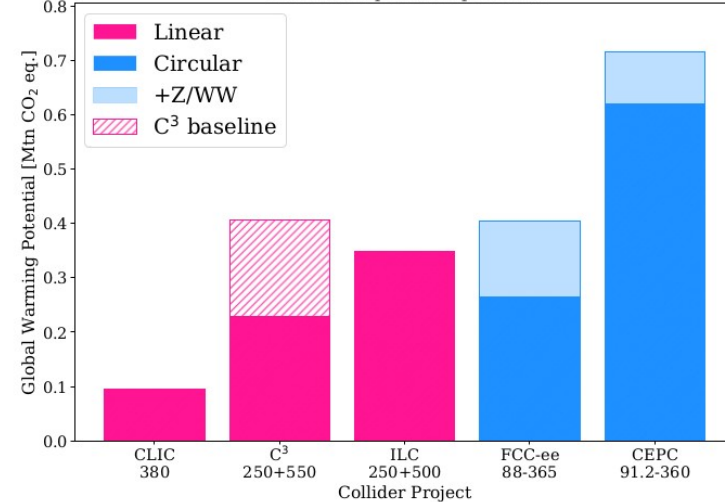
From J.P Burnet (sept 2024)

<https://agenda.ciemat.es/event/4431/timetable/#20240926.detailed>

To compare with 1.2TWh/year
(present total CERN consumption)

From <https://arxiv.org/abs/2307.04084>

Carbon Footprint of Operations



Higgs factory \sqrt{s} (GeV)	CLIC 40	ILC 12	C³ 11	CEPC 53 , 54	FCC 20 , 55 , 56
\sqrt{s} (GeV)	380	250 500	250 550	91.2 160 240 360	88,91,94 157,163 240 340-350 365
P (MW)	110	111 173	150 (87) 175 (96)	283 300 340 430	222 247 273 357
$T_{\text{collisions}}$ (10^7 s/year)	1.20	1.60	1.60	1.30	1.08
T_{run} (years)	8	11 9	10 10	2 1 10 5	2 2 2 3 1 4
$\mathcal{L}_{\text{inst}}/\text{IP}$ ($\cdot 10^{34}$ cm $^{-2}$ s $^{-1}$)	2.3	1.35 1.8	1.3 2.4	191.7 26.6 8.3 0.83	115 230 28 8.5 0.95 1.55
\mathcal{L}_{int} (ab $^{-1}$)	1.5	2 4	2 4	100 6 20 1	50 100 10 5 0.2 1.5

Accelerator operations

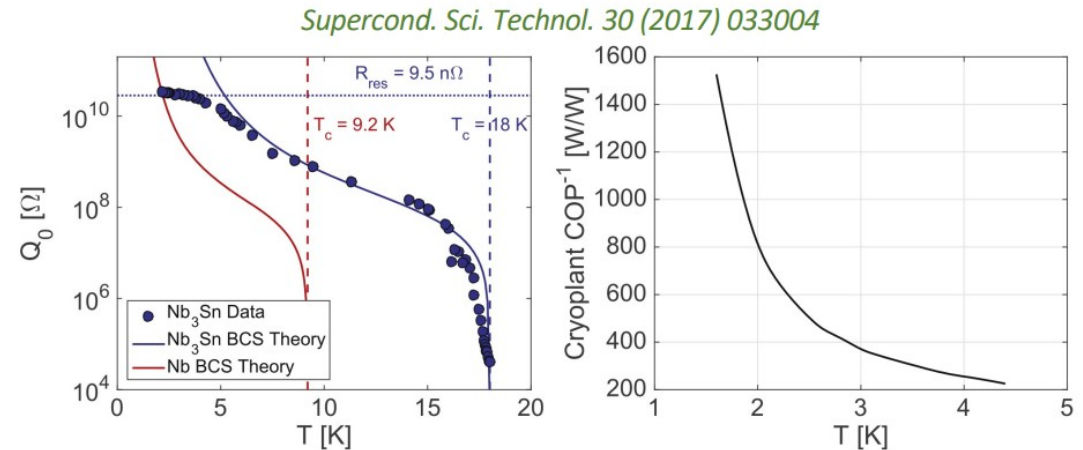
- ◆ Lots of developments on going. For example, a French one:

iSAS develops, prototypes & validates SRF energy-saving technologies

TA#2: energy-savings from cryogenics

The objective is focused on the development of thin-film cavities and aims to transform conventional superconducting radio-frequency technology based on off-shelf bulk niobium operating at 2 K, into a technology operating at 4.2 K using a highly functionalized material, where individual functions are addressed by different layers.

iSAS will optimize the coating recipe for Nb₃Sn on copper to optimize tunability and flux trapping of thin-film superconducting cavities and to validate a prototype beyond the achievements of the ongoing Horizon Europe I.FAST project, and the various US-based achievements (e.g., GARD).

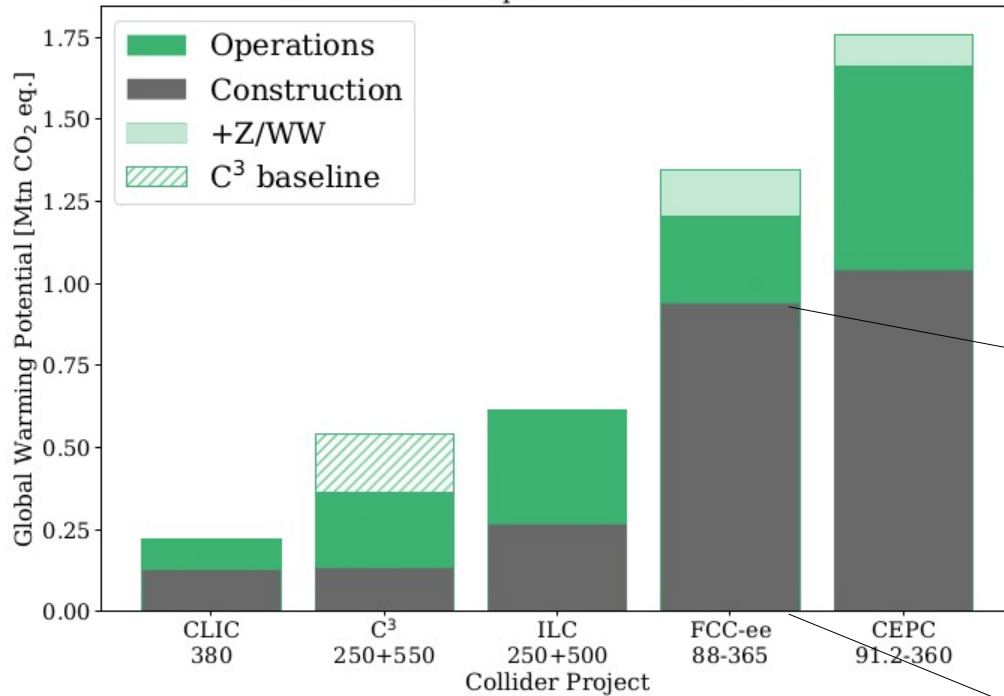


The higher critical temperature (T_c) of Nb₃Sn allows for the maximum value of quality factor Q_0 for 1.3 GHz cavities to be achieved at operating temperatures of about 4 K compared to 2 K for Nb (left figure). The graph on the right shows the efficiency of a cryogenic plant (COP) as a function of temperature achieving about 3 times higher COP efficiency when operating at a temperature of 4.2 K than at 2 K. This suggests that operating a cryogenic plant at 4.2 K with Nb₃Sn SRF cavities, can lead to significant better performances and energy savings.

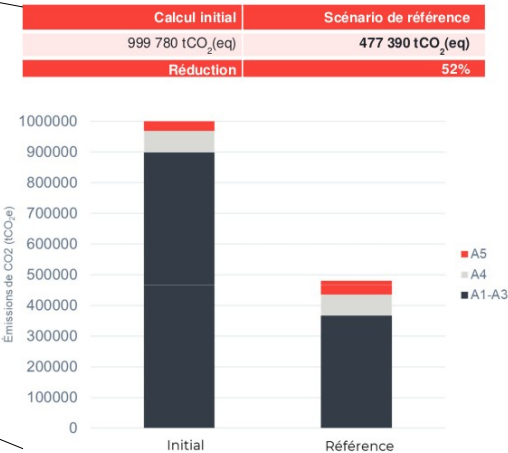
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Tunnel + accelerator operation (wo/ building accelerator!)

Total Carbon Footprint of Different Colliders

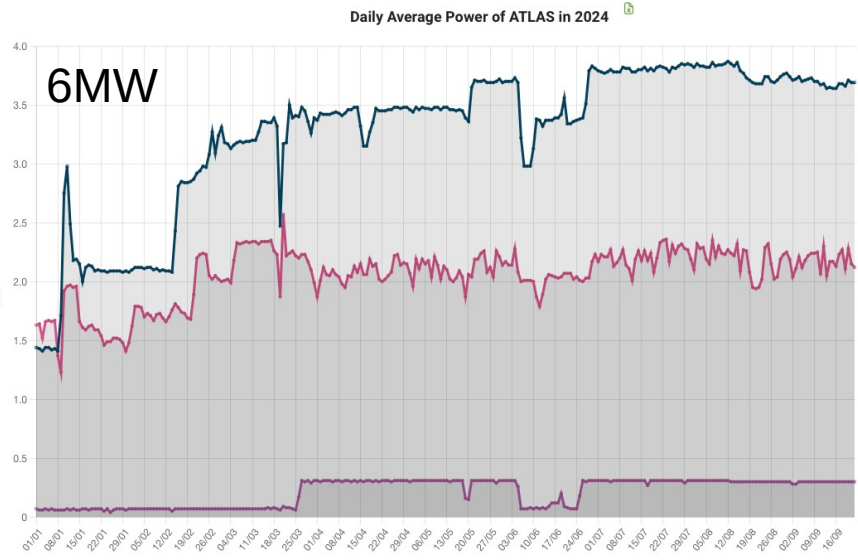


Present estimates give similar order of magnitude between these 2 items
Sum = O(0.5-1)MtCo2eq

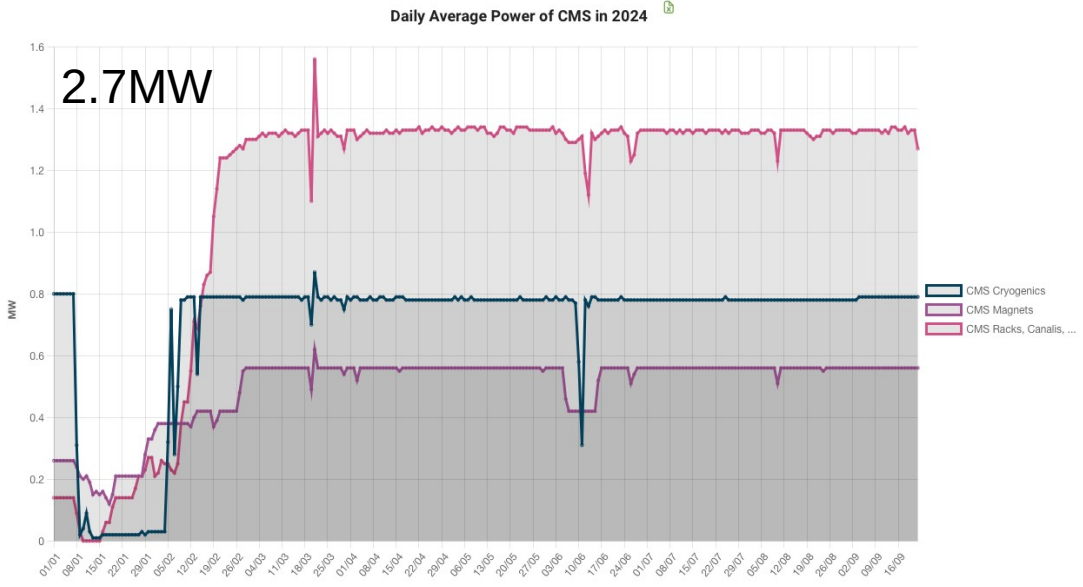


Detectors: Power consumption

- W. Riegler (sept 2024) <https://agenda.ciemat.es/event/4431/contributions/5081/>
 - For the LHC, ~5% of the PC is from the experiments
 - O(5MW)/experiment**, but depend a lot of the design !
 - Same consumption is expected for FCCee
 - Cryogeny is the key**



ATLAS



CMS

Detectors: Direct emissions

◆ Presently, the **main contributor** of CERN GHG

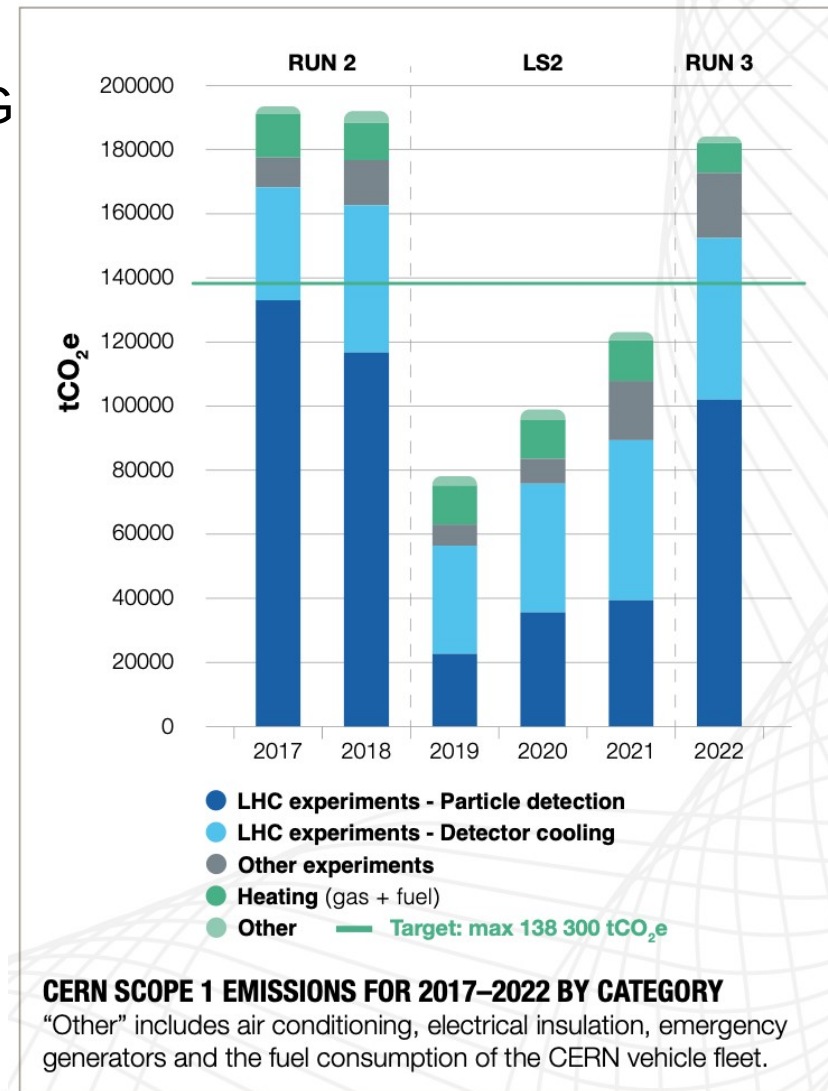
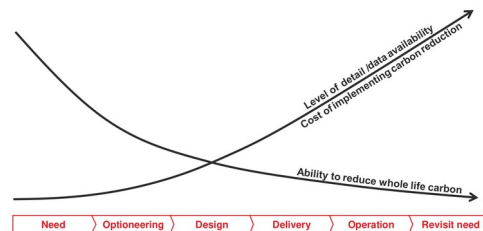
- Cooling, RPC, RICH
- HFCs, PFCs and SF₆
- O(0.2)MtCO₂eq/year

- Future detectors are expected to drastically reduce such usages

◆ **Warning:** detector complexity may have strong impact on the cpu/gpu needed for **simulation/reconstruction !**

◆ No LCA to my knowledge

- The sooner the better



Collaboration structure/life

- ◆ Still assuming a world that has achieved its transition in 2050...
- ◆ Amount of fly should have been drastically reduced
 - Producing enough C-free fuel is challenging (O(25%) of today electricity to replace kerosene with e-fuel)
 - How can we organize ourself to reduce the distance and the number of flies ?

Example (crazy idea nowadays, but in 2050...?):
organizing the collaborations by continent

- How many collaborations/detectors do we really need ?
- ◆ It would be interesting to have an estimate of this item ? Bigger than acc.?

Back to the envelop calculation:

9k physicists x 14years x 2t/fly x 2 flies/year = 0.5MtCO₂

Paris-NY



Life Cycle Assessment

- ◆ LCA very useful to reduce env. footprint of project during R&D
 - Extremely important for your future detector R&D !

- ◆ New CERN course:

https://lms.cern.ch/ekp/servlet/ekp?PX=N&TEACHREVIEW=N&CID=EKP000044552&TX=FORMAT1&LANGUAGE_TAG=en&DECORATEPAGE=N

BS EN 17472:2022



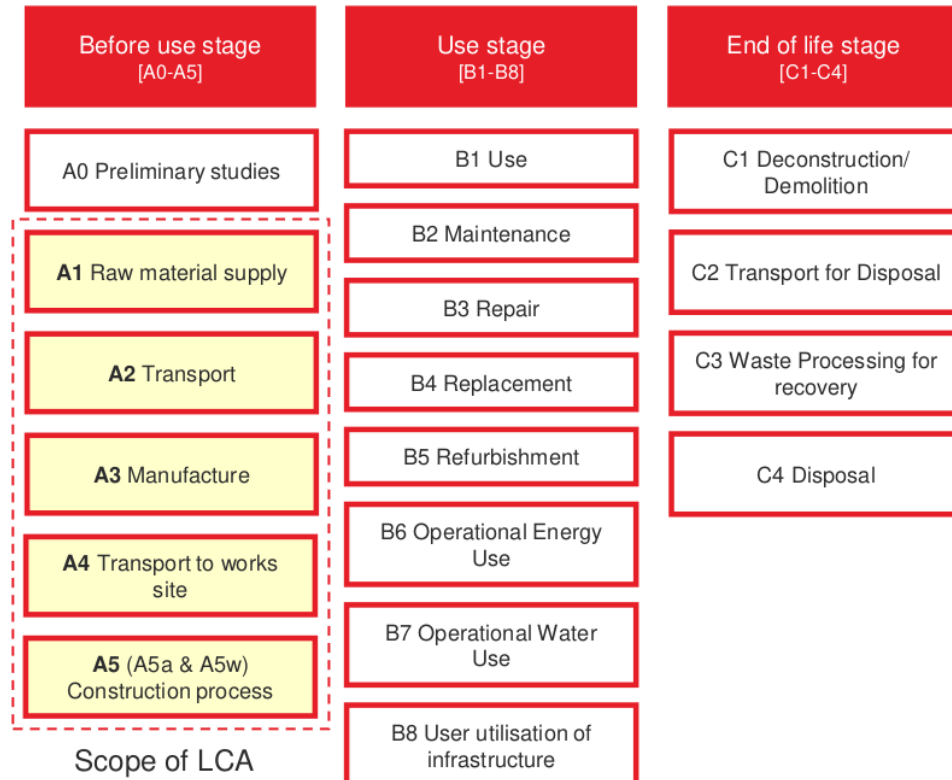
Introduction to Environmental Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) for Engineers (e-learning)

[Accéder à la session](#)

This e-learning provides an **introduction to Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)**, a detailed method for evaluating the environmental impacts of products throughout their entire life cycle, from raw material extraction to disposal. The primary objective of this course is to build your knowledge and skills in the Life Cycle Assessment, enrich the theoretical part of LCA, and understand how to use this in your work.

- ◆ ANF “eco-conception” (CNRS)

- IN2P3/INSIS
- 12-17/10/2025
- For engineers/physicists



Conclusions

- ◆ Humanity is facing huge challenges
- ◆ How could HEP be part of the solution ?
 - innovations (tech, but also social ?)
 - be patient ? (tech readiness)
- ◆ LCA is a crucial tool, to evaluate & to help reducing the impacts

- ◆ Present estimates:

Environnemental footprint = tunnel ✓

+ accelerator construction ??

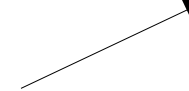
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+ detector construction ??

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+ collaboration life O(0.5)Mt ?

O(0.5-1)MtCo₂eq



Backup

Still time to endorse contributions listed in:

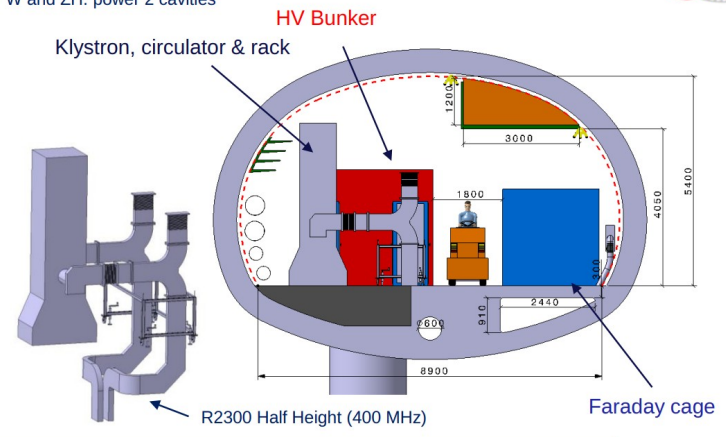
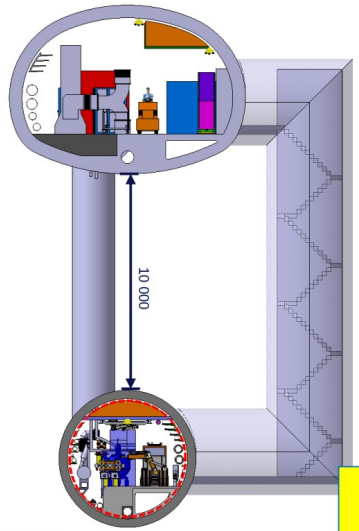
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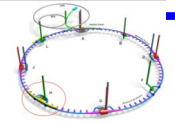
- ◆ CERN and the Environment (Nov 2024): <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1456577/>
- ◆ FCC LCA (oct 2024) <https://zenodo.org/records/13899160>
- ◆ Energy for Sust. Sc. At Research Infra (sept 2024) <https://agenda.ciemat.es/event/4431/>
- ◆ Interim report for the International Muon Collider Collaboration (IMCC) (July 2024) <https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.12450>
- ◆ Know your footprint (for HEP physicists) (mar 2024) <https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.03308>
- ◆ Sustainability Strategy for the Cool Copper Collider (nov 2023)
<https://arxiv.org/abs/2307.04084>
- ◆ LCA of CLIC&ILC (July 2023)
<https://edms.cern.ch/ui/#!/master/navigator/document?D:101320218:101320218:subDocs>
- ◆ The carbon footprint of proposed e+e- Higgs factories (sept 2022)
<https://arxiv.org/abs/2208.10466>

FCC-ee RF Machine tunnel & Klystron Gallery cross section (ttbar machine)

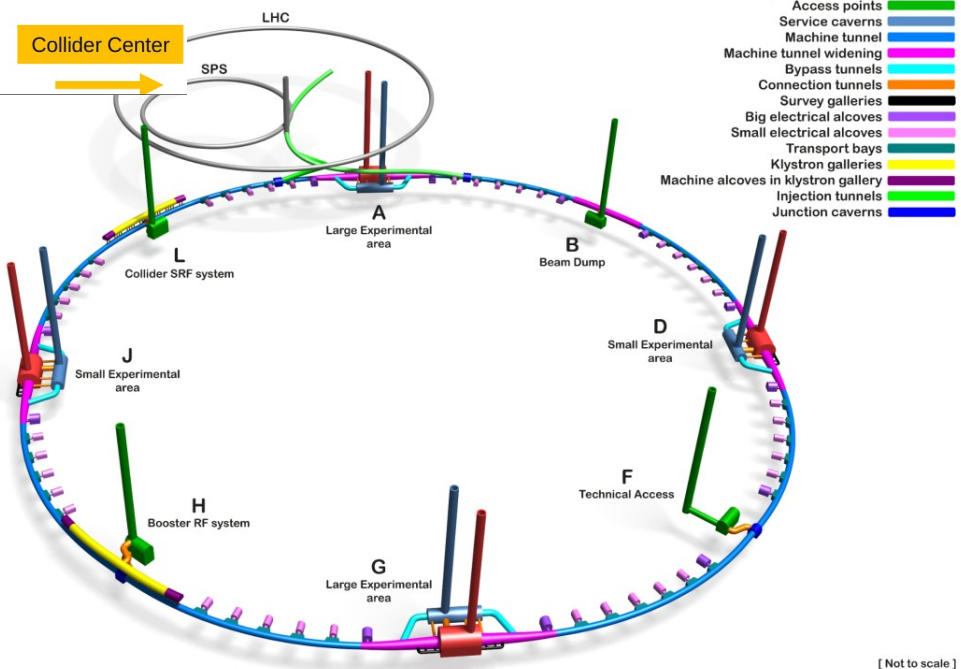
- 1 MW 400 MHz klystrons can be used for:
- Z: re-combine 2 WG to 1 cavity
 - W and ZH: power 2 cavities



Klystron Gallery integration to be reviewed for larger HV bunkers



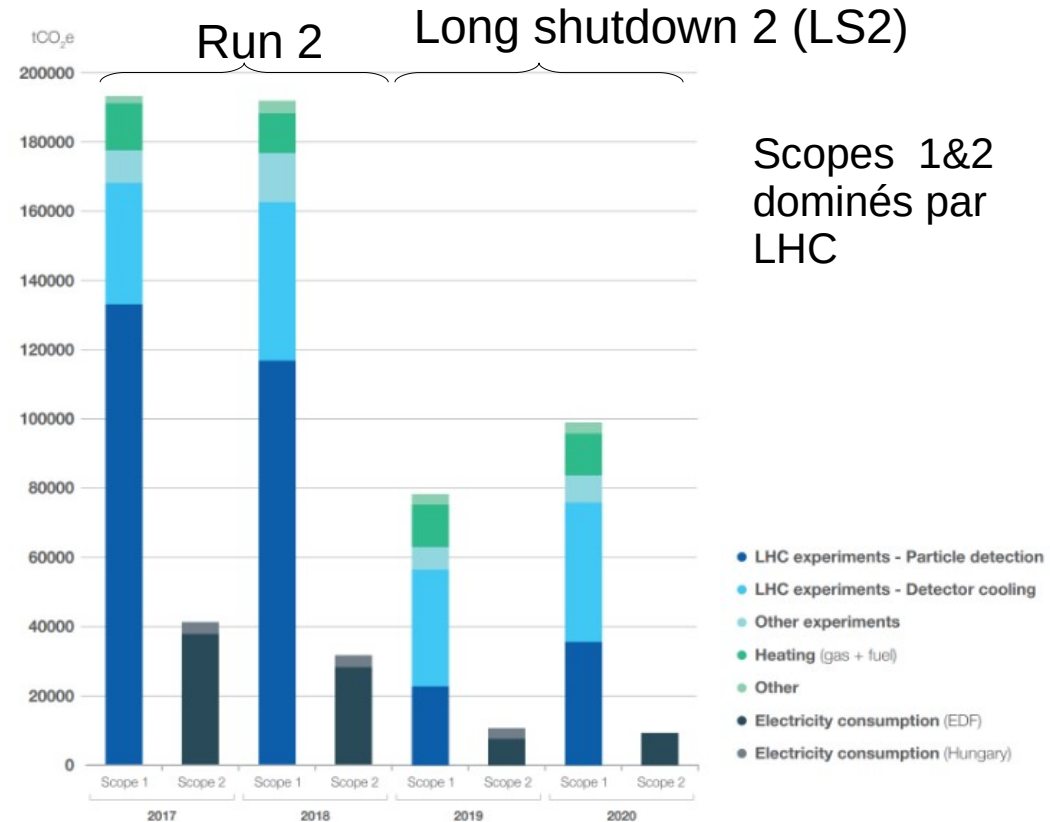
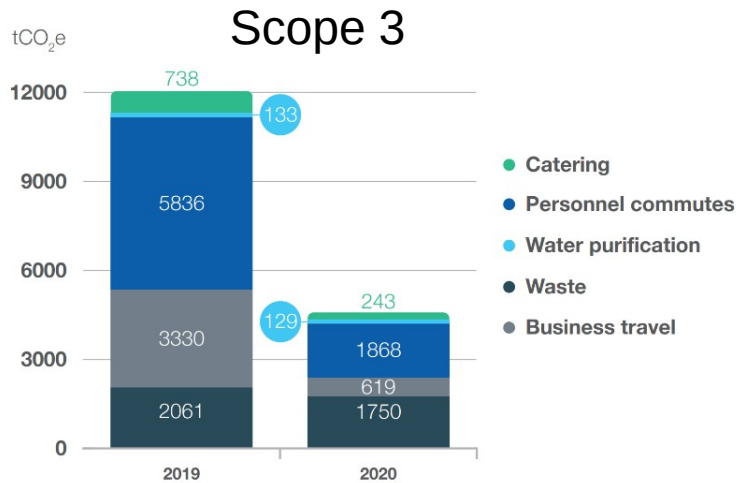
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Inputs

- CERN environment report 2019-2020

<https://hse.cern/environment-report-2019-2020>



Scopes 1&2 dominés par LHC

- CERN Annual Personnel Statistics

<https://cds.cern.ch/collection/CERN%20Annual%20Personnel%20Statistics>

Pas pris en compte

- ◆ Déplacements
 - Pour prises de données (shift, maintenance, ...)
 - Pour workshops, conferences

- ◆ Computing hors Tier0

Construction du LHC

- ▶ Pas clair comment amortir
 - Tunnel déjà existant (accélérateur LEP)
 - Temps d'amortissement ?
 - Prise en compte des upgrades ?
- ▶ Ordre de grandeur

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	cout:	4,50E+09	euros	LHC+4 experiences (CHF=euros)		
2	annees:	2008	2040	32 ans		
3				1,41E+08 euros/an		
4	FE:	0,3	kg/euros			
5	Co2eq:	4,22E+04	tonnes			
6	physiciens:	8600				
7		4,91	t/phys			

→ Pas pris en compte