



# ATLAS physics prospects for HL-LHC and ATLAS upgrade – some highlights

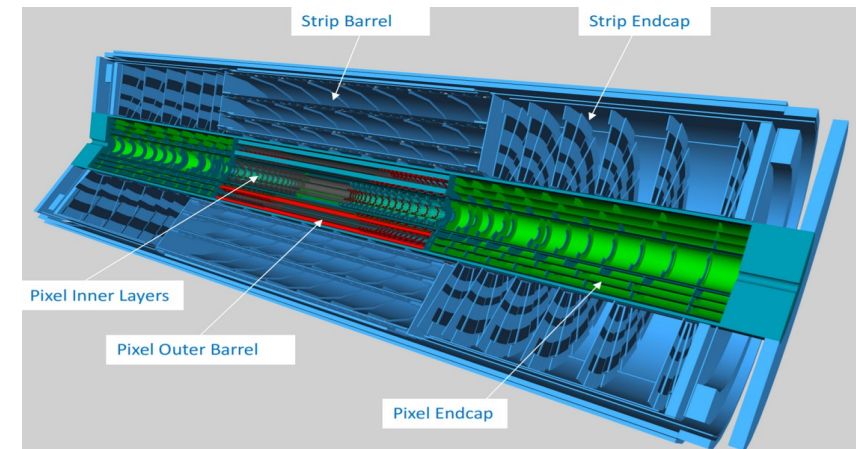
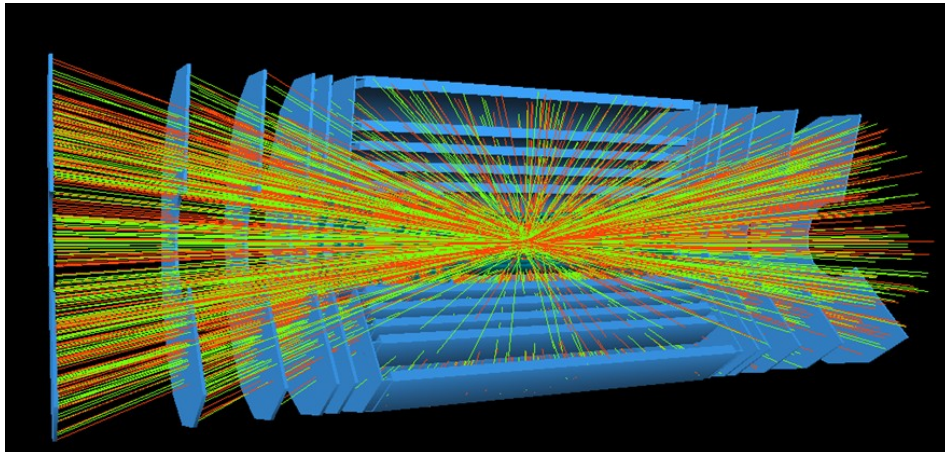


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## Outline:

- High luminosity – a particle physicists' view
- Upgrade of ATLAS
- Physics prospects



# HL-LHC in numbers

- Expected integrated luminosity between  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $4000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . 10 times more than all LHC data so far.
- Collision energy between 13.6 and 14 TeV

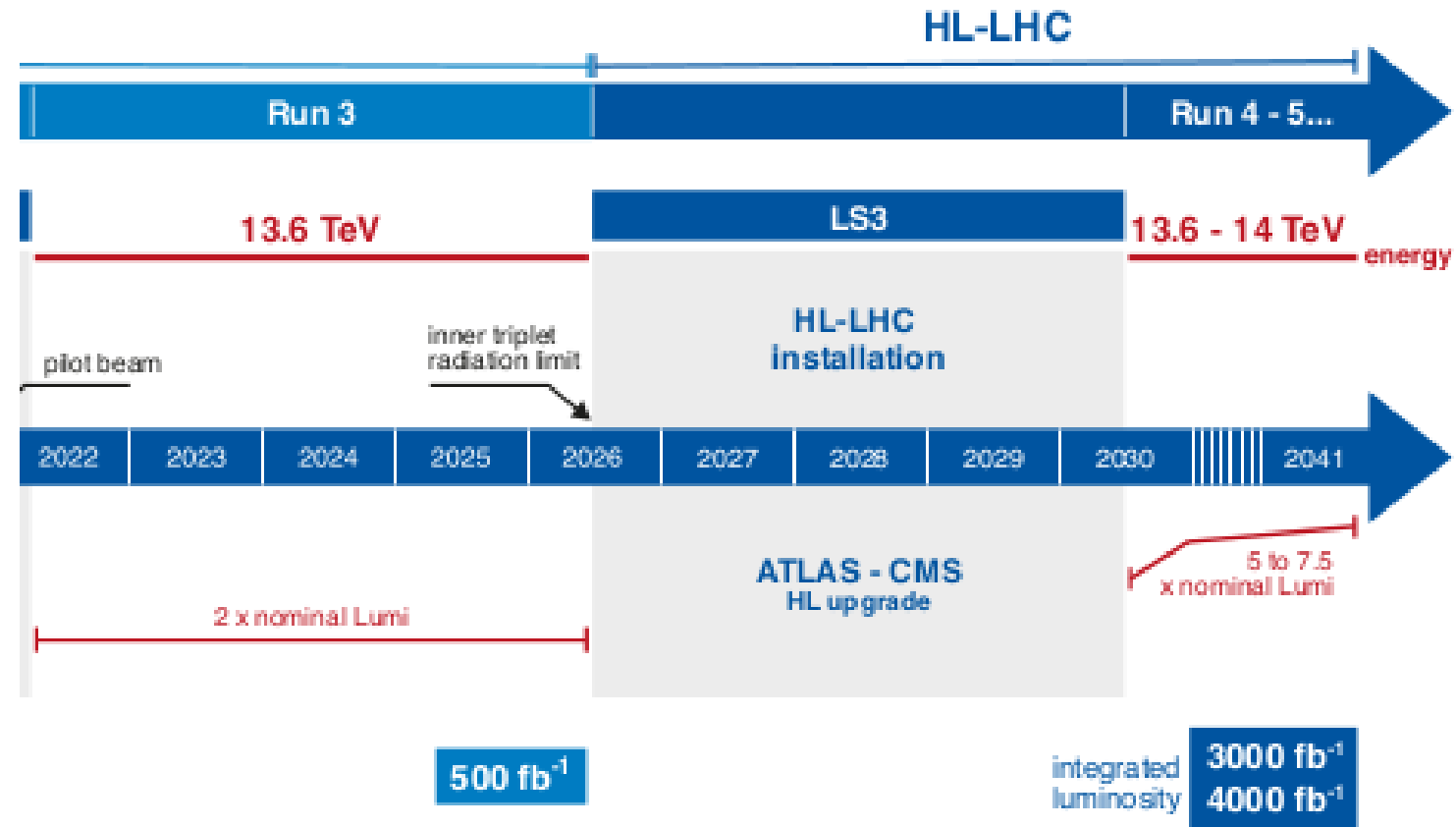
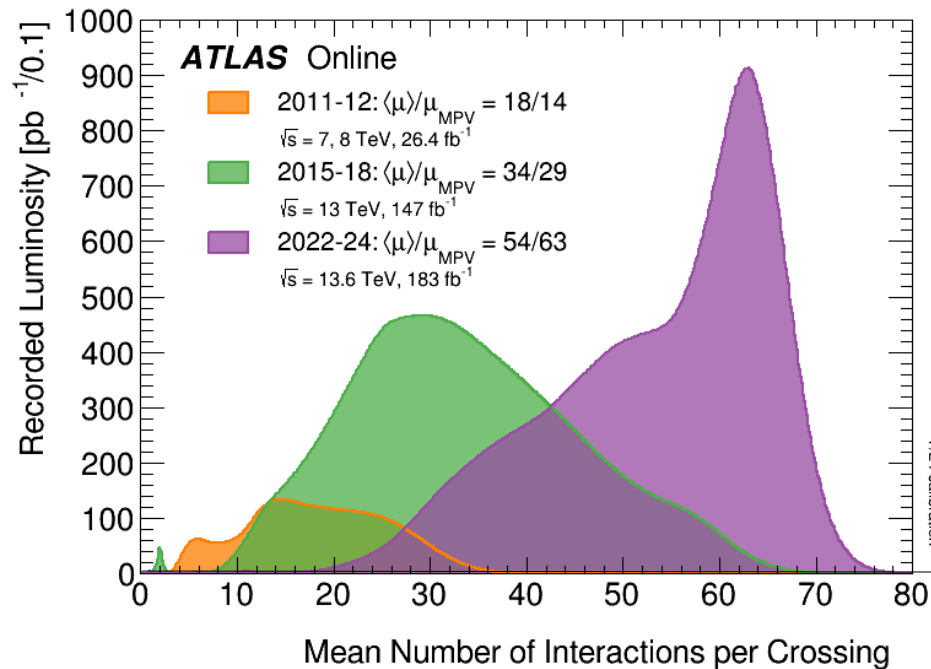


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# High luminosity means many events per unit time

This has some consequences: many events per bunch crossing (pile-up)



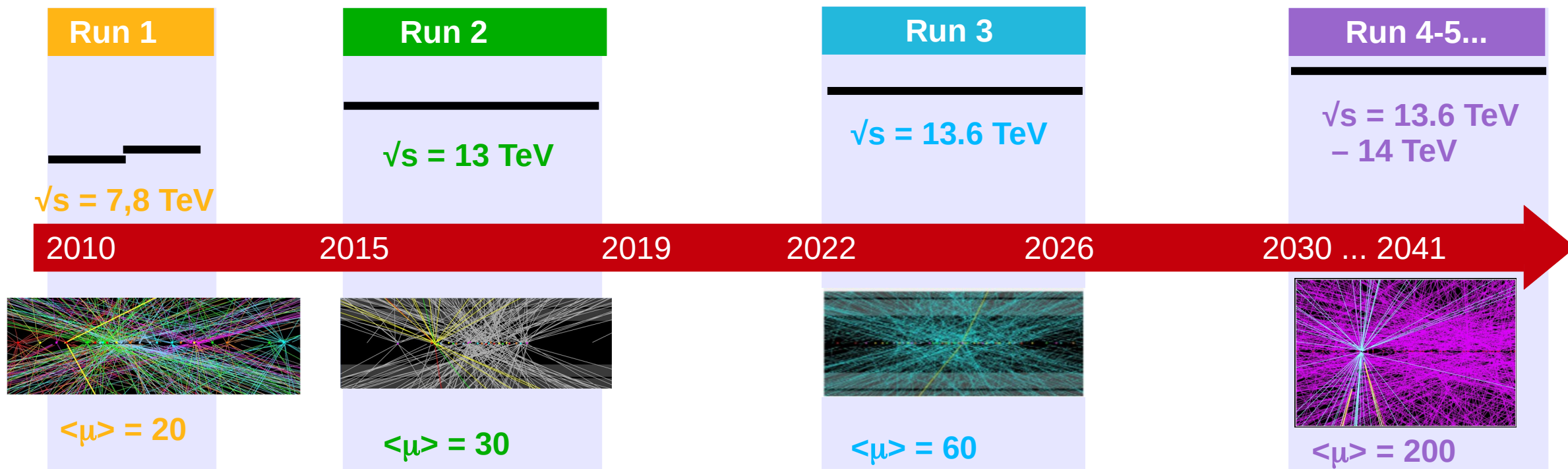
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Plot from <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/LuminosityPublicResultsRun3>

HL-LHC logo <https://hilumilhc.web.cern.ch>

Layout Livia Soffi

# More events per time means higher demands on detectors, read-out systems, triggers, analysis techniques... *As well as increased radiation*



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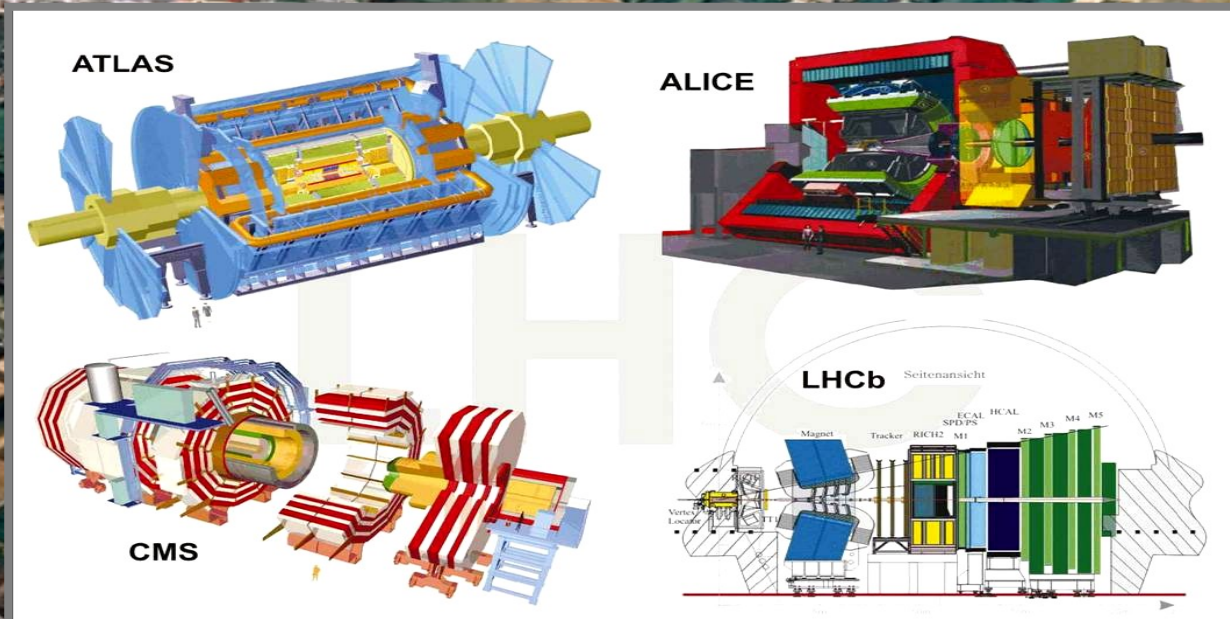
Layout idea from Elizabeth Brost's talk in the Higgs10 symposium, 2022

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/1135177/>

***Also the detector  
needs to be upgraded***



# LHC



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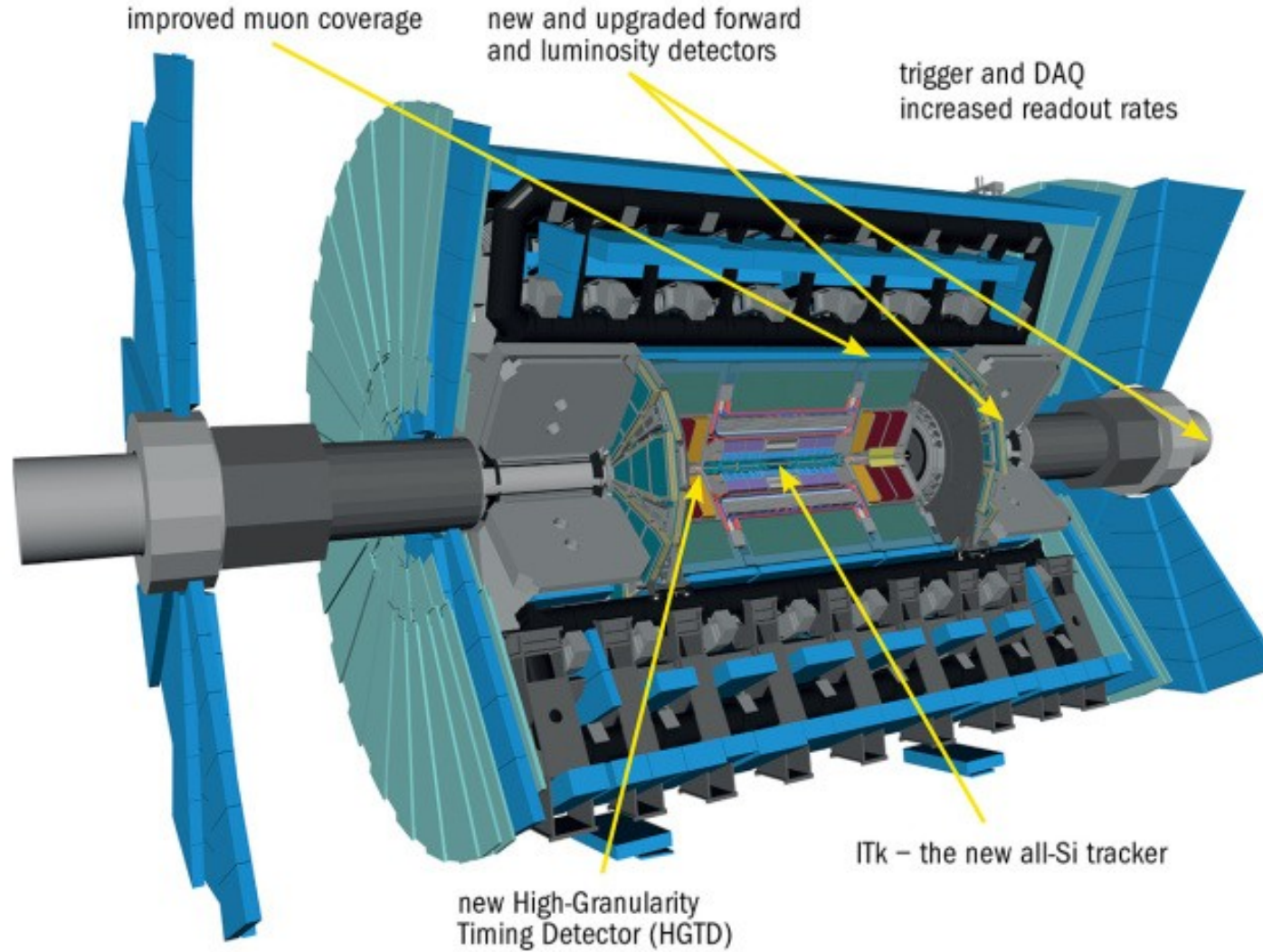


# ATLAS upgrades for HL-LHC

## New Detectors:

New Inner Tracking Detector **ITk** (all silicon tracker)

High Granularity Timing Detector **HGTD**



## Upgraded Trigger and Data Acquisition System

- First-level triggering also on ITk data
- Read-out to permanent storage increased from ~4kHz to ~10kHz

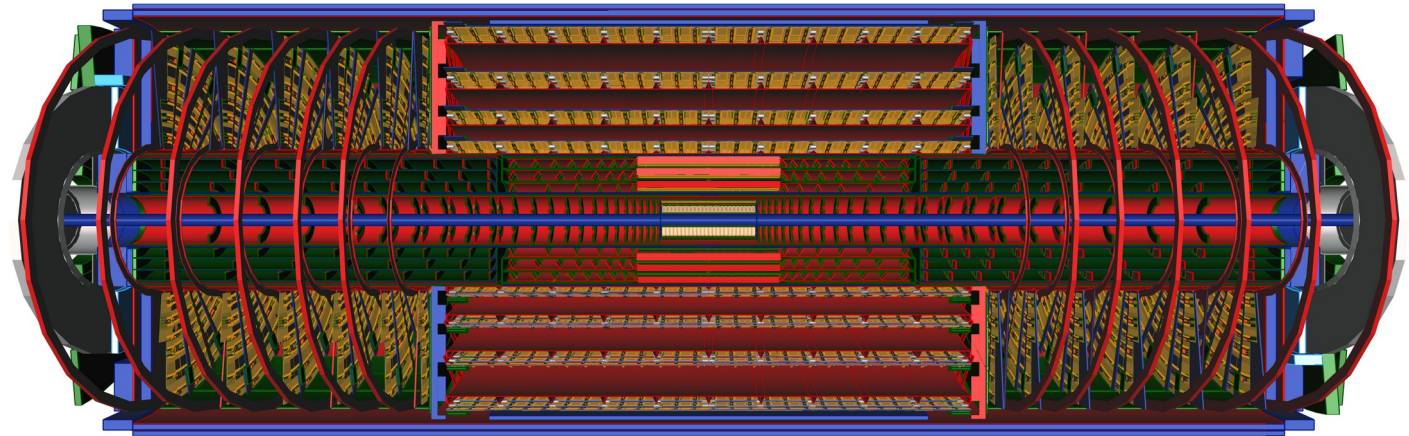
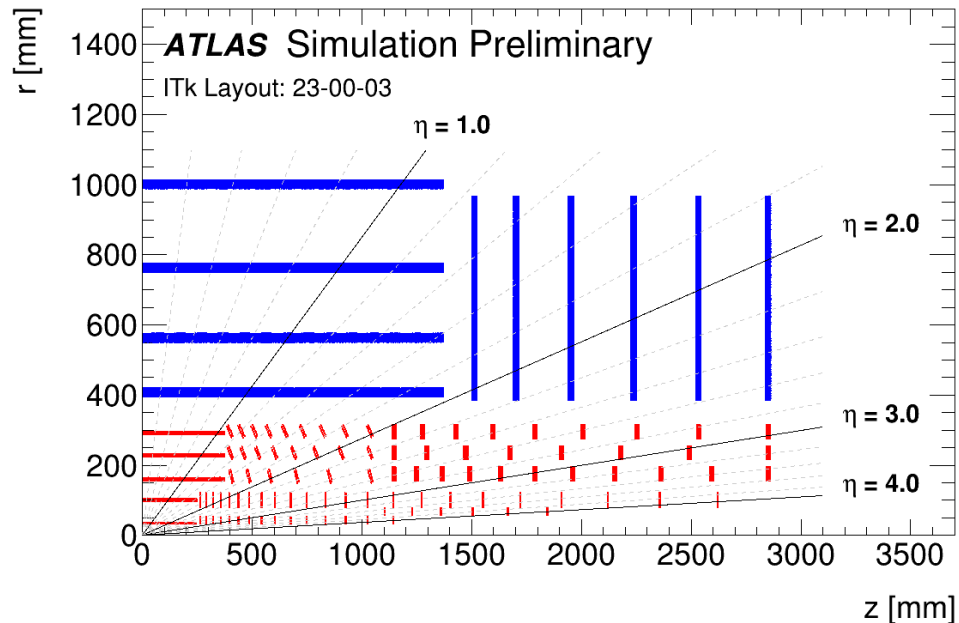
## Electronics Upgrade:

- LAr and Tile Calorimeters
- Muon system

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# The ATLAS Inner Tracker – ITk

- Increased radiation at HL-LHC: replace the existing Inner Detector (ID) with a new *full-silicon* Inner Tracker (ITk).
- ITk composition: **Pixel** and **Strip** sub-detectors
- Extend the pseudo-rapidity coverage up to  $|\eta| = 4$

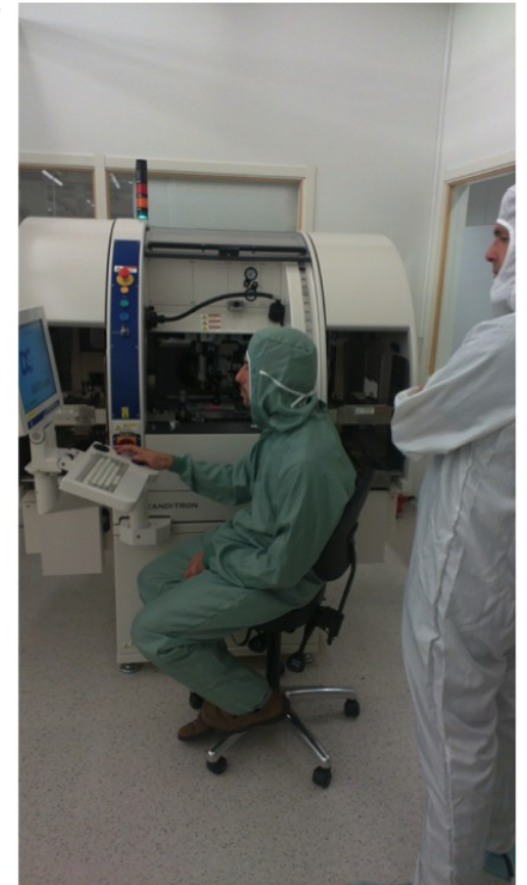
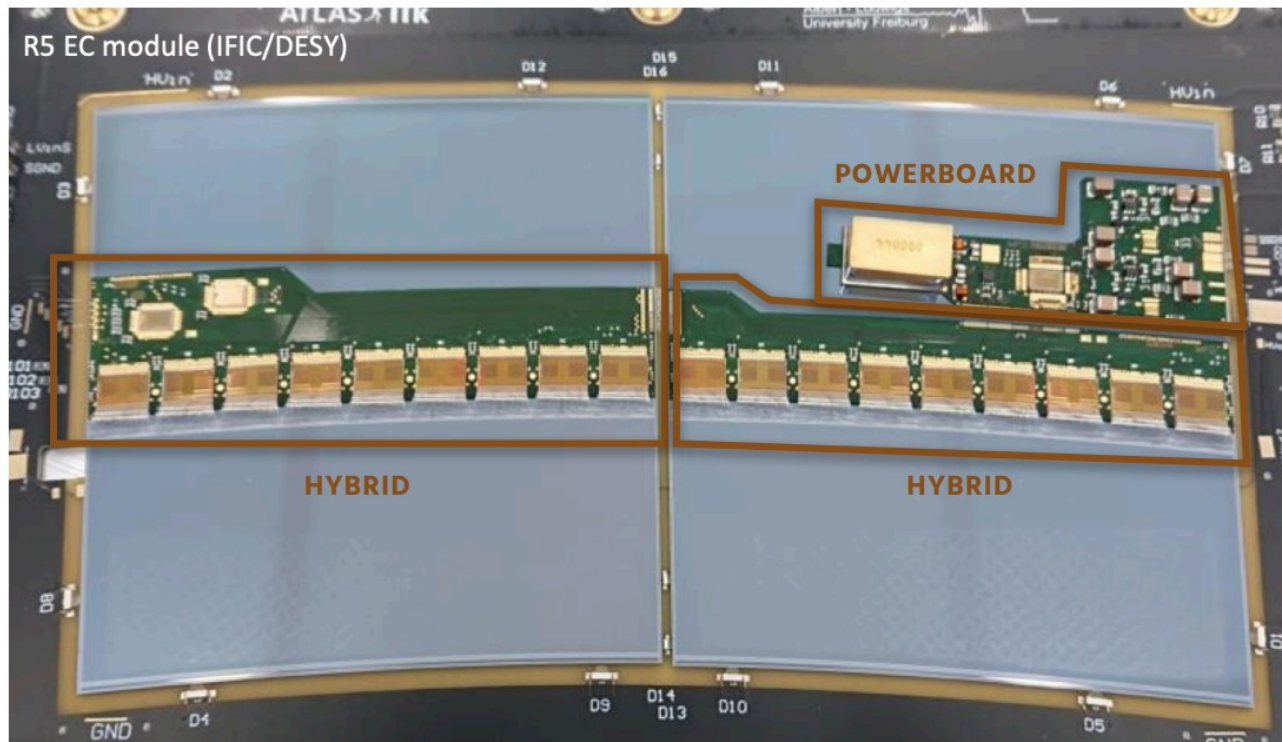


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# ITk strip module production

Two Swedish institutes are involved in ITk strip module production:  
Uppsala and Lund.

Production in collaboration with industry (NOTE in Norrtälje)



Images: H Herde, G Mullier



# Simulated $t\bar{t}$ event in ITk, pileup 200

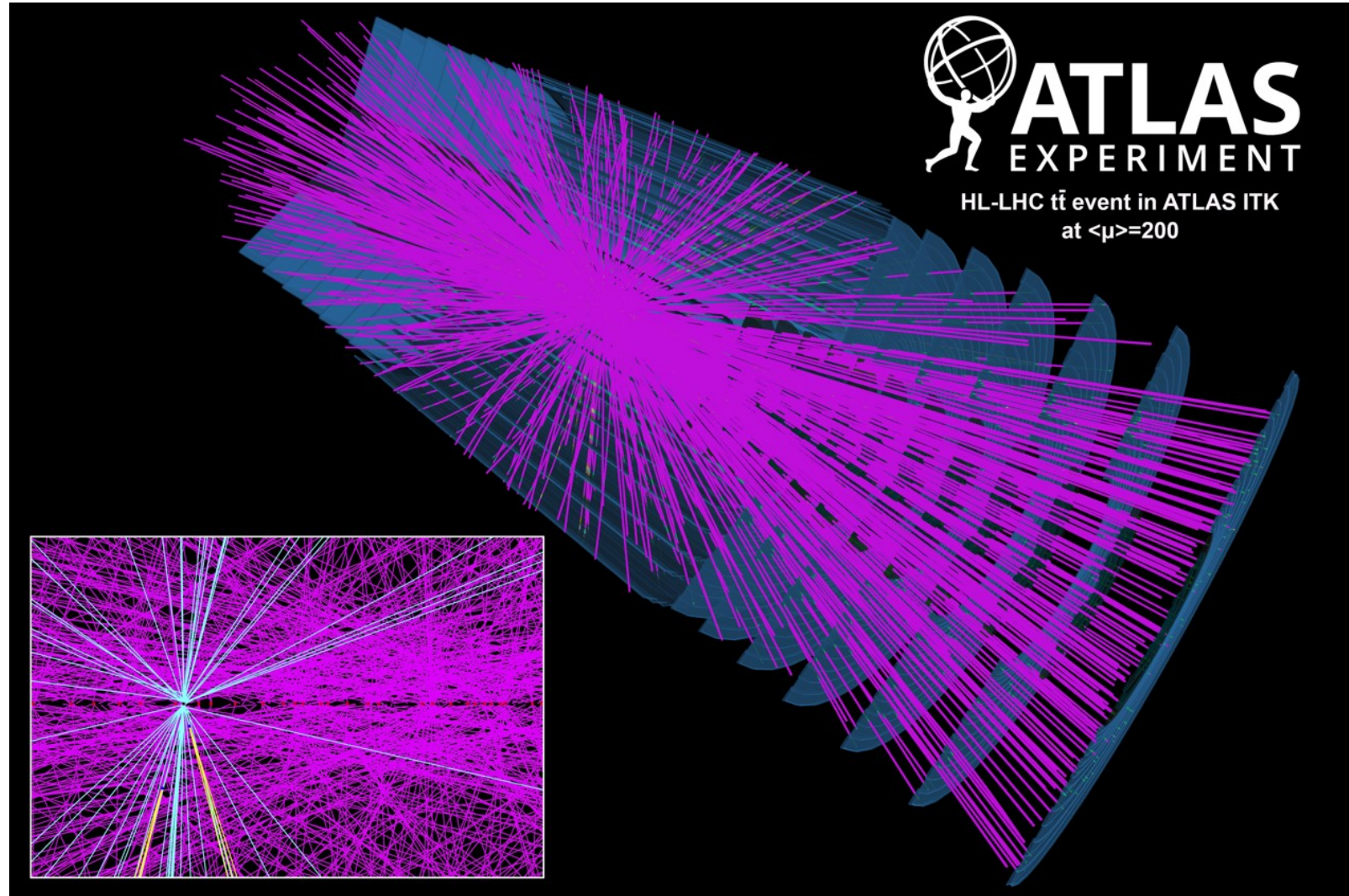
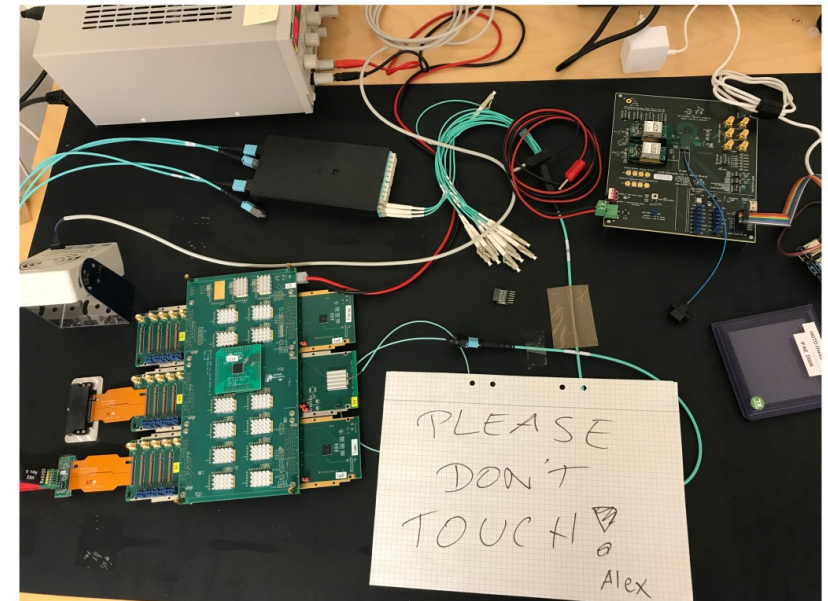
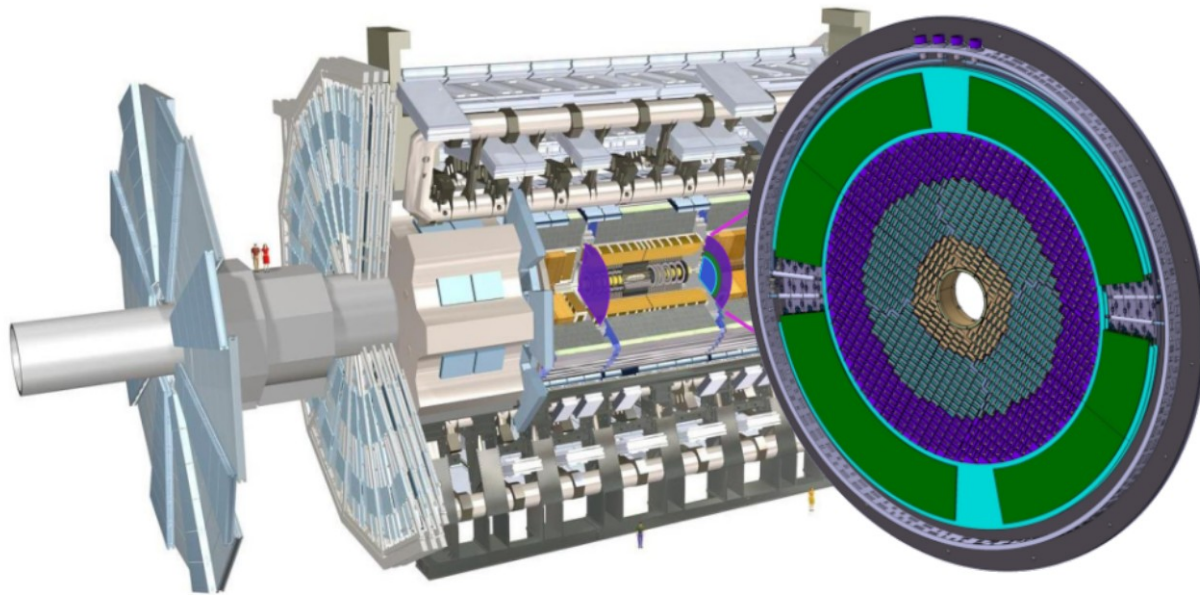


Image: <https://atlas.cern/updates/news/scientific-potential-high-luminosity-lhc>

# High-Granularity Timing Detector, HGTD

- Mitigate the pile-up: find a way to distinguish between collisions which occur close in space but separated in time.
- Four layers of silicon modules, covering  $2.4 < |\eta| < 4.0$
- KTH in Stockholm develop software and firmware for HGTD for luminosity measurements



Images: ATLAS-TDR-031, KTH (via H Herde Fysikdagarna 2023)

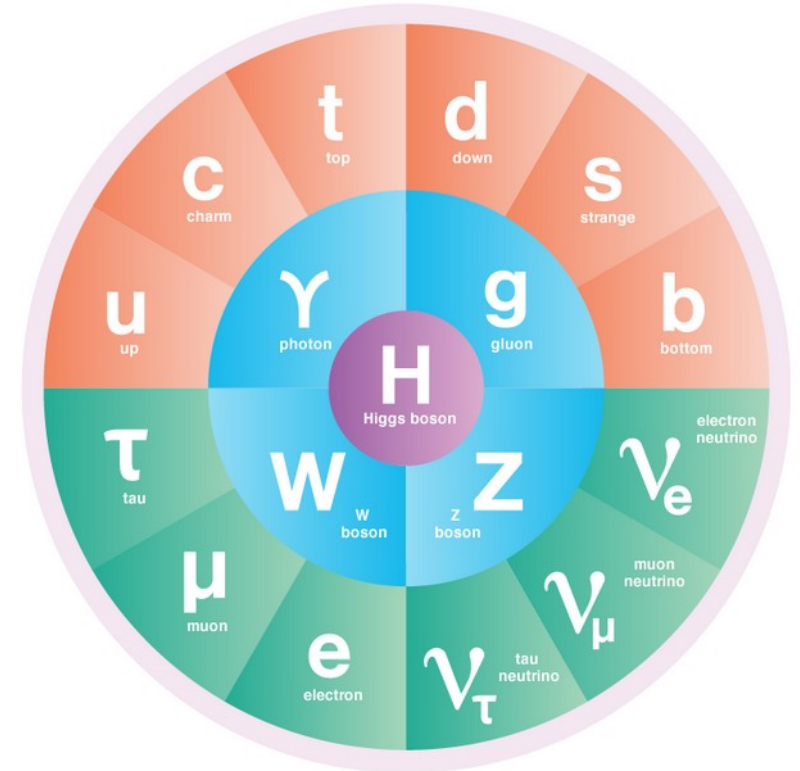


# Physics prospects

The Standard Model (SM) is an extremely successful theory of particles and interactions, but it is incomplete

Open questions in particle physics:

- What is the nature of the Higgs boson? Elementary or composite? Part of an extended sector of Higgs bosons?
- What is the shape of the Higgs potential?
- What is the nature of dark matter?
- Why is there so much more matter than anti-matter in the universe?
- What about the quark-gluon plasma?



● QUARKS ● LEPTONS ● BOSONS ● HIGGS BOSON

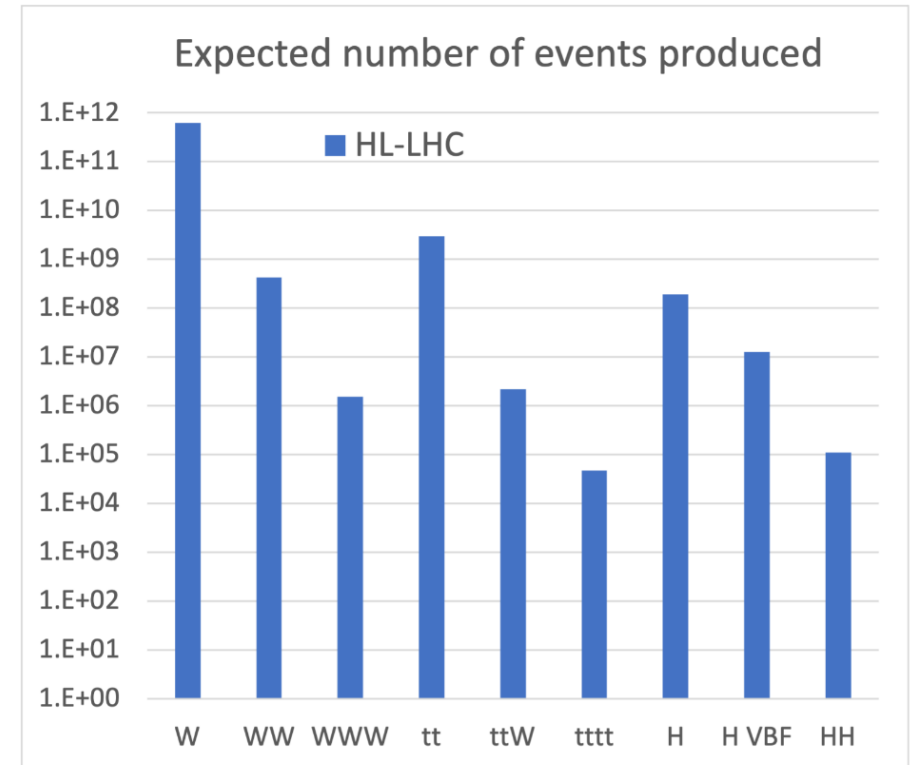
Symmetry magazine

# Physics prospects

Possible  $E_{\text{CM}}$  increase from  $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$  TeV to  $\sqrt{s} = 14$  TeV will give substantial cross section increase for heavy particles only.

Number of particles produced (expected) for ATLAS with  $3,000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 14$  TeV

- $\sim 600,000,000,000$  W bosons
- $\sim 3,000,000,000$   $t\bar{t}$  pairs
- $\sim 190,000,000$  Higgs bosons
- $\sim 120,000$  HH pairs
- $\sim 50,000$   $t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}$  events



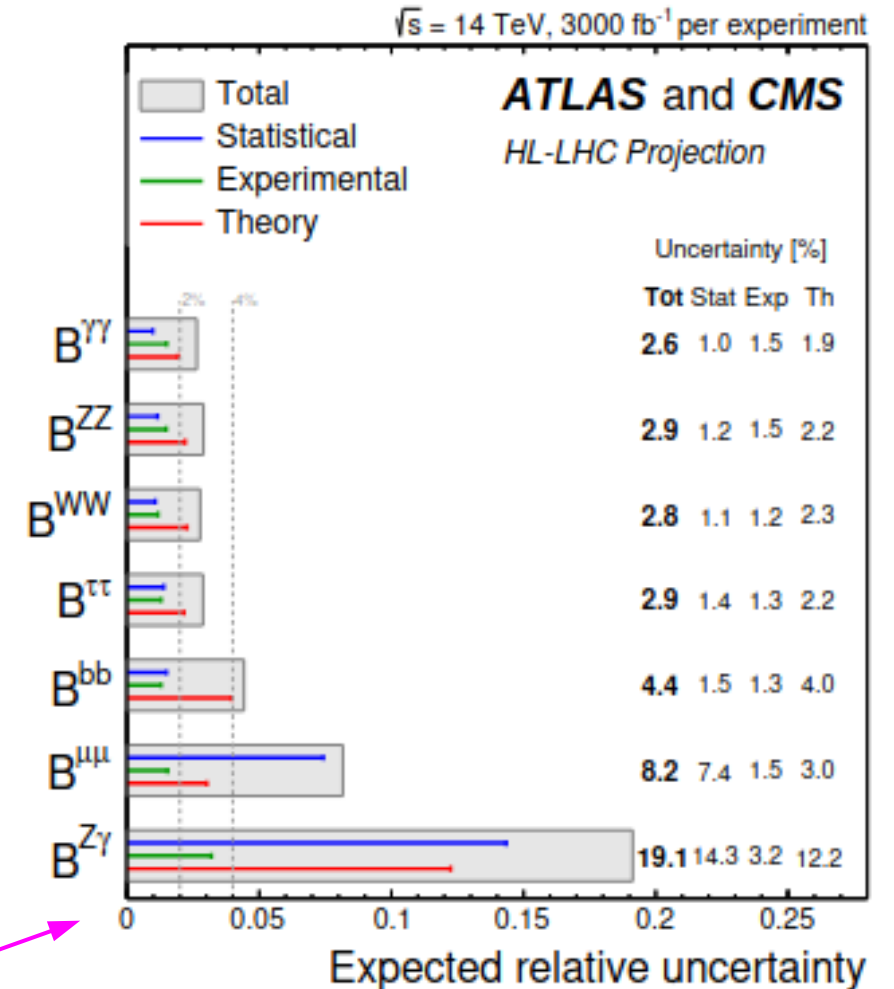
Stephane Willocq, LHCP2024



# Properties of the Higgs boson

- HL-LHC will be a Higgs boson factory
- The Higgs mechanism is what gives elementary particles their mass. The Higgs boson is the manifestation of this mechanism.
- Important to investigate the properties of this newest addition to the SM
- Measure couplings and branching ratios with high precision
- Deviations from SM? Possible new physics!

Figure:  
Expected relative uncertainty of the branching fraction of the Higgs boson when decaying into  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $ZZ$ ,  $WW$ ,  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $b\bar{b}$ ,  $\mu\mu$ ,  $Z\gamma$



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# Measurement of the Higgs potential

- The Higgs boson has mass – so it interacts with itself!
- How? What is the nature of the Higgs potential?
- The SM Higgs potential is close to a metastable state – the fate of the universe depends on this!

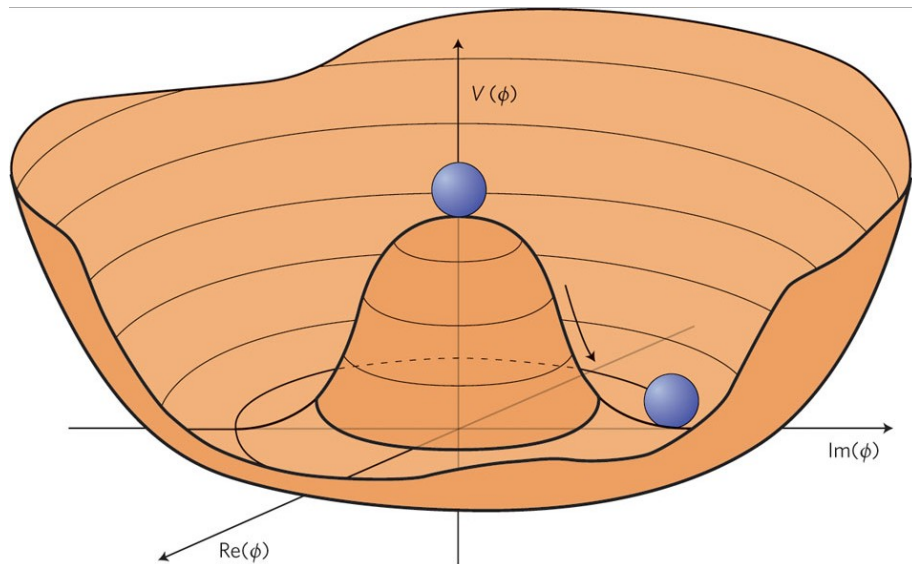


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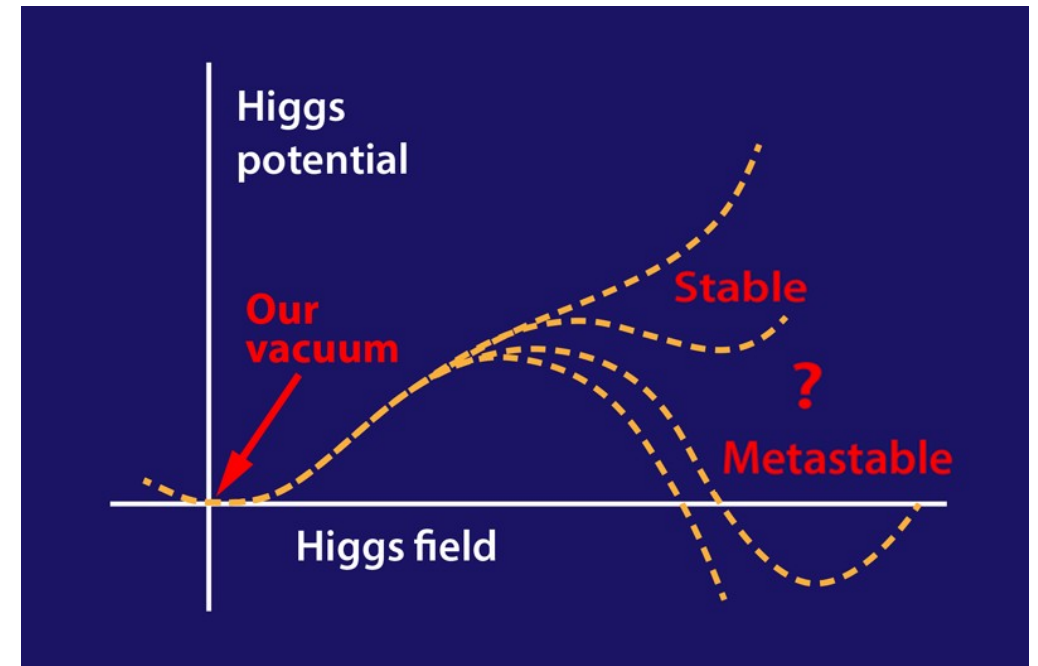
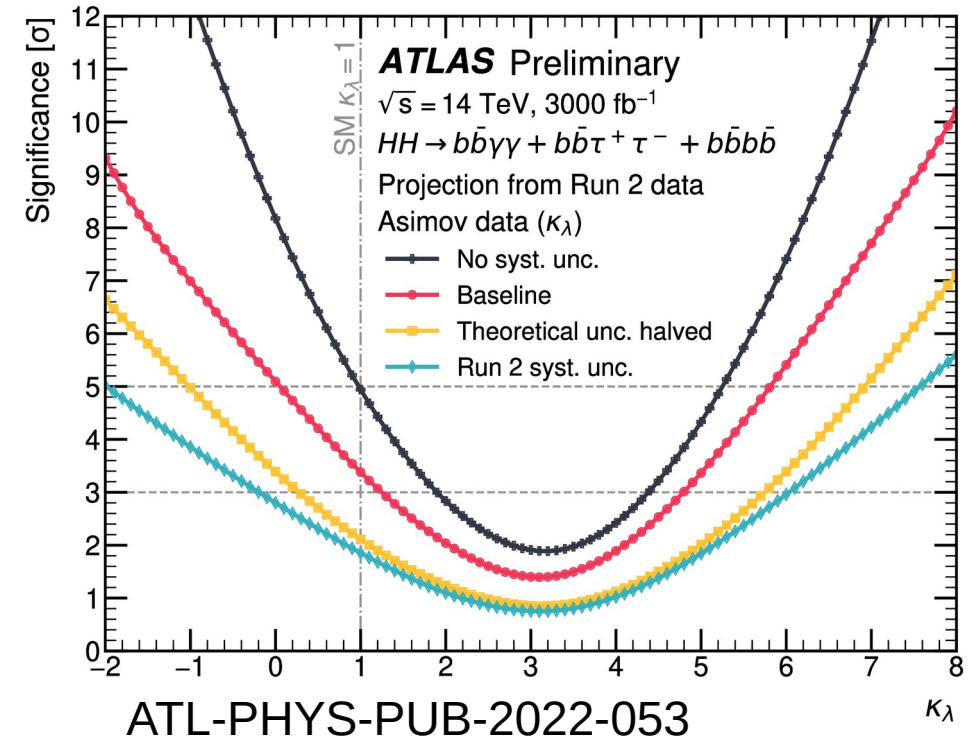
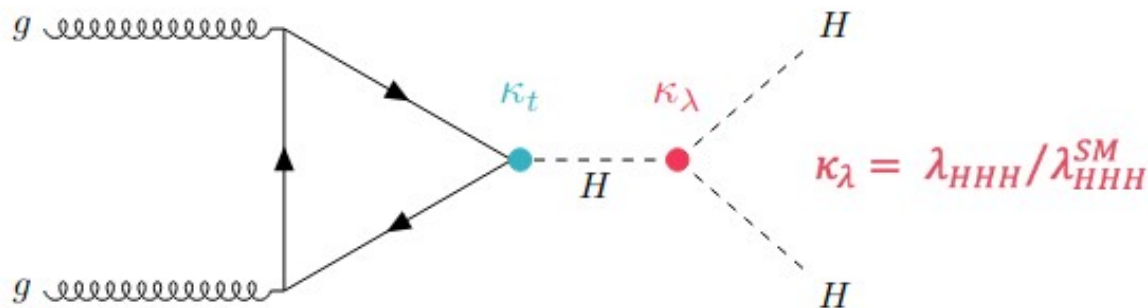


Image: APS / Alan Stonebraker



# Measurement of the Higgs potential: HH production

- The production of pairs of Higgs bosons offers a way to probe the Higgs self-coupling.
- ATLAS expected to reach  $3.4 \sigma$  in HL-LHC (SM couplings)  
Discovery together with CMS might be possible!



# What is the origin of Dark Matter?

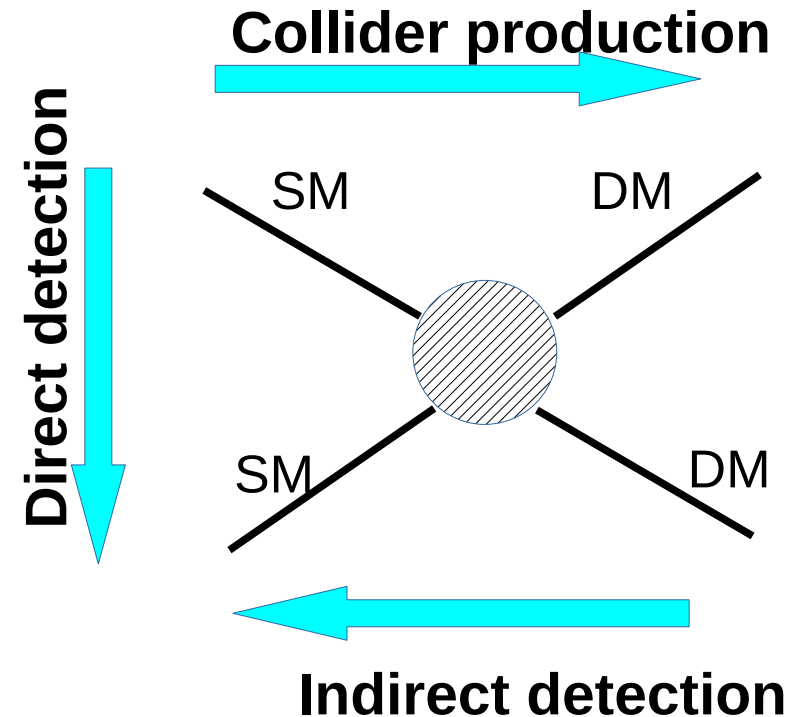
- Dark matter exists, it constitutes about ~25% of the universe, ...and we don't know what it is...



Bullet Cluster  
<http://apod.nasa.gov/apod/ap060824.html>

## Detection principles

- **Direct detection** – DM scatters off SM (nuclear recoil, annual modulation)
- **Indirect detection** – observation of products of decays, annihilations
- **Collider production** of DM. New invisible particles created, transverse momentum seemingly not conserved.





# Dark matter through a Higgs portal?

- Possibly the Higgs boson interacts with a dark sector
- Search for  $H \rightarrow$  invisible ( $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow \nu\nu\nu\nu$  has a low BR in the SM)
- Increased luminosity will help setting limits on (or finding...) Higgs to invisible, feebly interacting particles, long-lived particles..

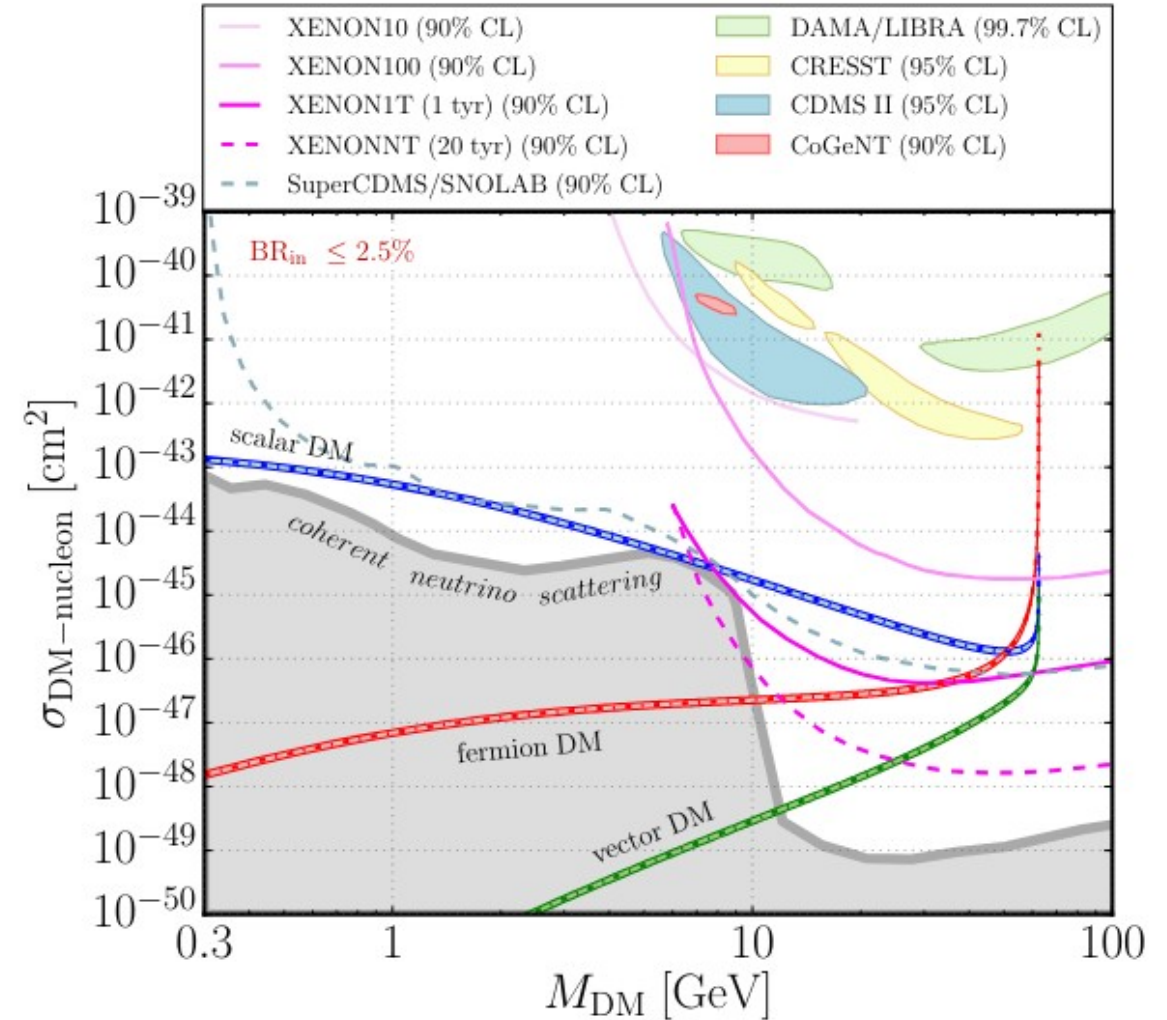
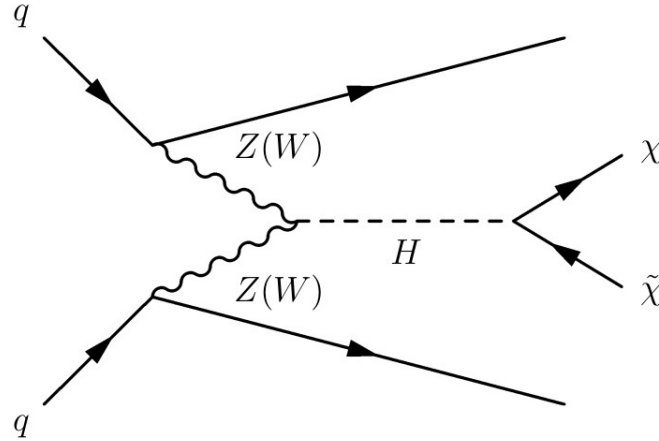


Figure: DM-nucleon cross section expectations at HL-LHC, compared with direct detection experiments. Grey area is inaccessible to direct detection.

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# Summary

- HL-LHC will bring significant challenges (pile-up, increased radiation)
- ... but also an enormous increase in the amount of data
- Swedish institutes are involved both in the upgrade of ATLAS and in studies which will greatly benefit from the increase in data (HH searches, Higgs precision measurements, long-lived particles...)
- We have so far analysed only about 10% of what we expect LHC and HL-LHC to deliver!

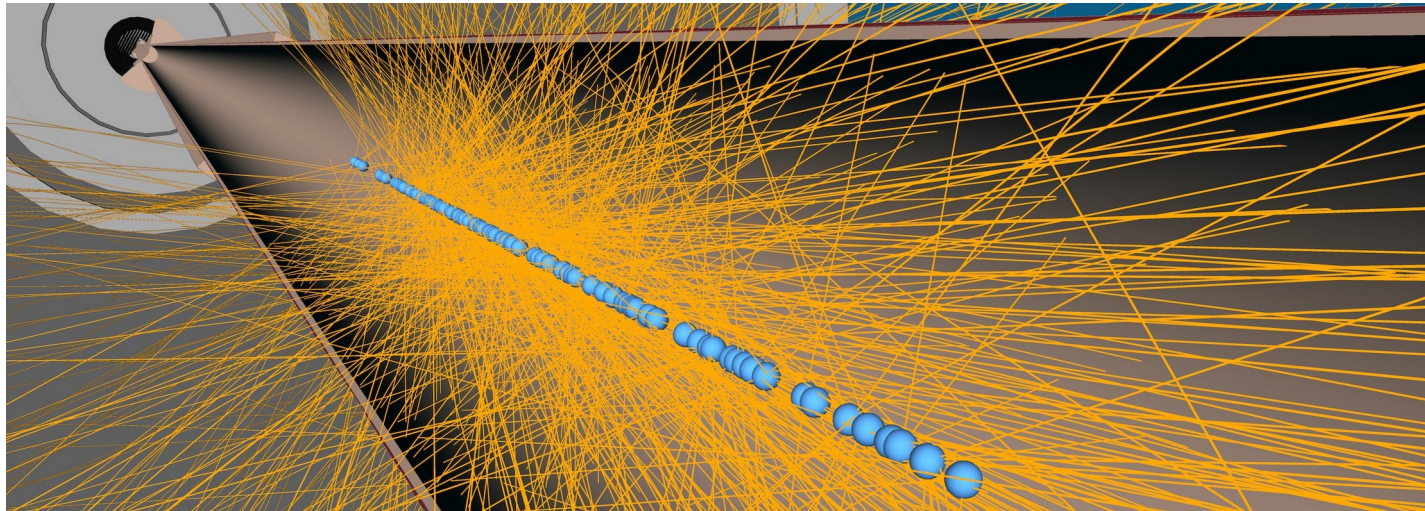


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