

LHC Upgrades and HL-LHC physics prospects

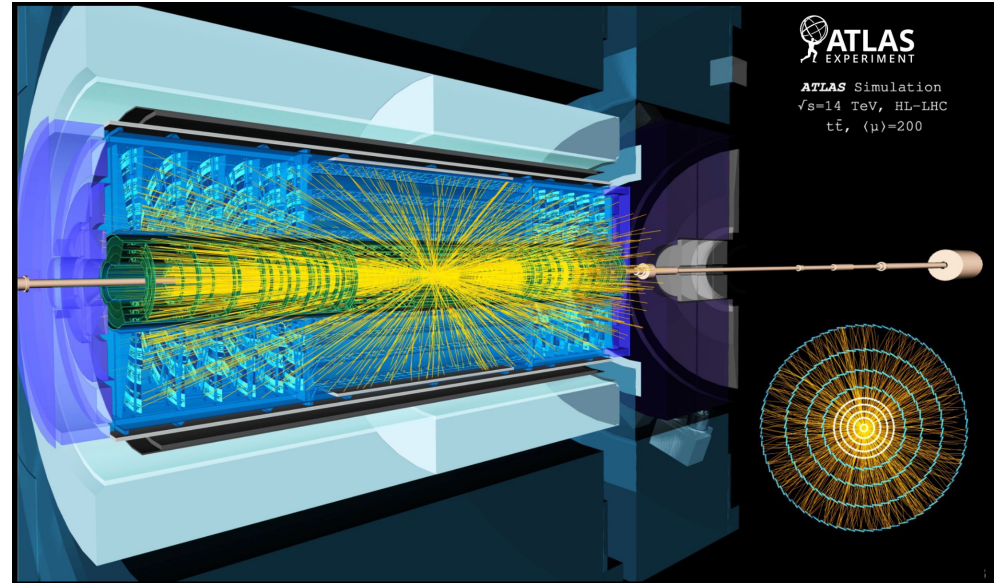
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Overview

- HL-LHC Plans
- ATLAS and CMS Detector Upgrades
- HL-LHC Physics Prospects
 - Precision SM Physics
 - Higgs sector
 - SUSY and other BSM
- Proposed LHCb Upgrade II
 - Flavour Physics Prospects
- Proposed ALICE 3 Upgrade
 - QGP Physics Prospects

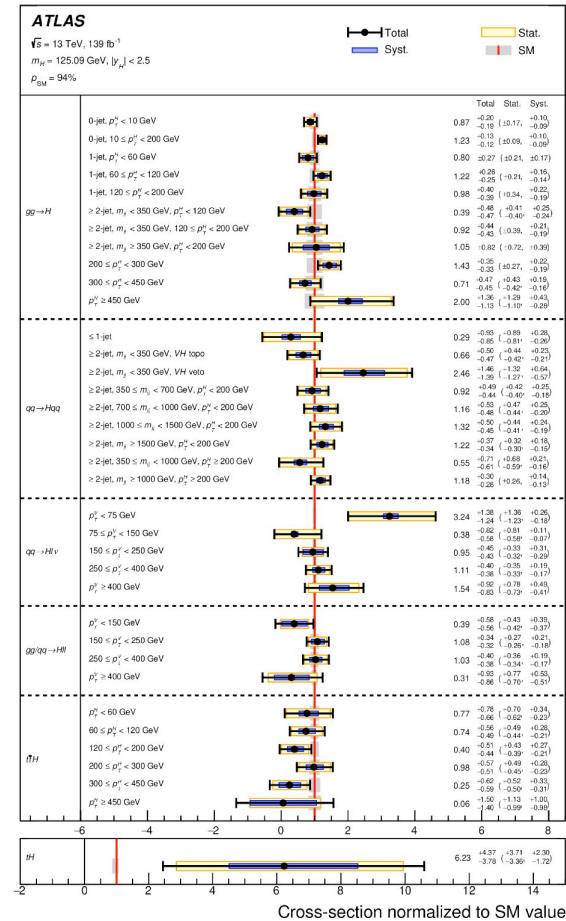
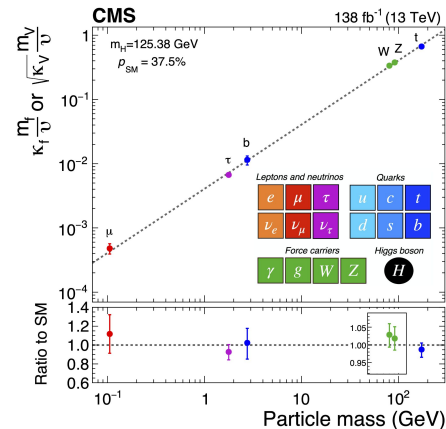
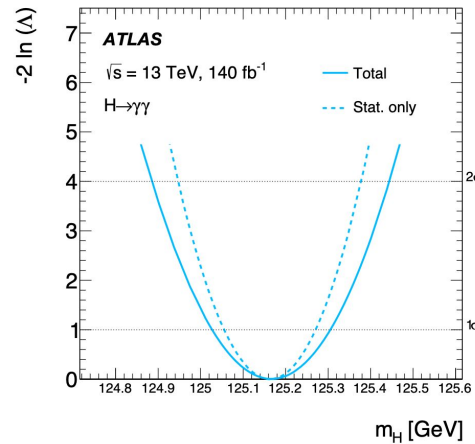


simulated $t\bar{t}$ event at HL-LHC with 200 events pile-up

LHC Recap

- 12 years since Higgs discovery were huge Success for Standard Model
- Just to highlight Higgs Sector ...
 - 0.09% precision on m_H ($=125.11 \pm 0.11$ GeV) Phys. Rev. Lett. 131, 251802
 - Couplings measured precisely to
 - 5% (bosons)
 - 10% (3rd gen. fermions)
 - Huge progress in searches for coupling to 2nd generation fermions and for di-Higgs production

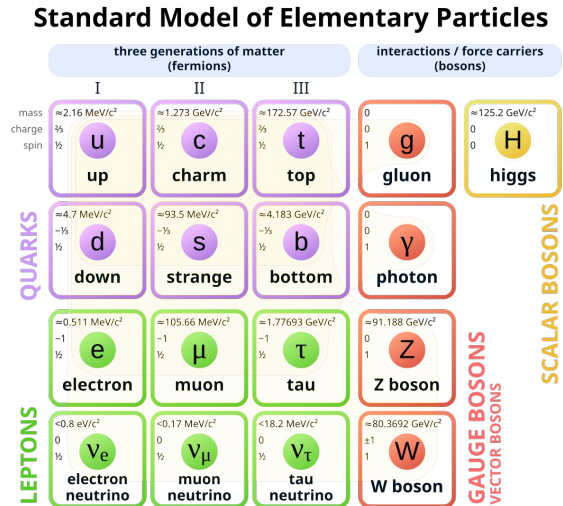
→ see talk by H. Arnold yesterday



However Many Questions Remain

- Standard Model incomplete description of Nature
- Fundamental questions remain that **must** be addressed:
 - Origin of electroweak scale and electroweak phase transition?
 - Higgs boson non-natural? Composite? Part of an extended scalar sector?
 - Flavor puzzle: Origin of fermion generations, masses, mixings?
 - Matter - antimatter asymmetry (CP violation)?
 - Nature of dark matter?
 - What is the quark-gluon plasma (QGP) formation mechanism and its properties?
- Those questions can be addressed at the High-Luminosity LHC (HL-LHC)

Answers require upgrades to collider and experiments



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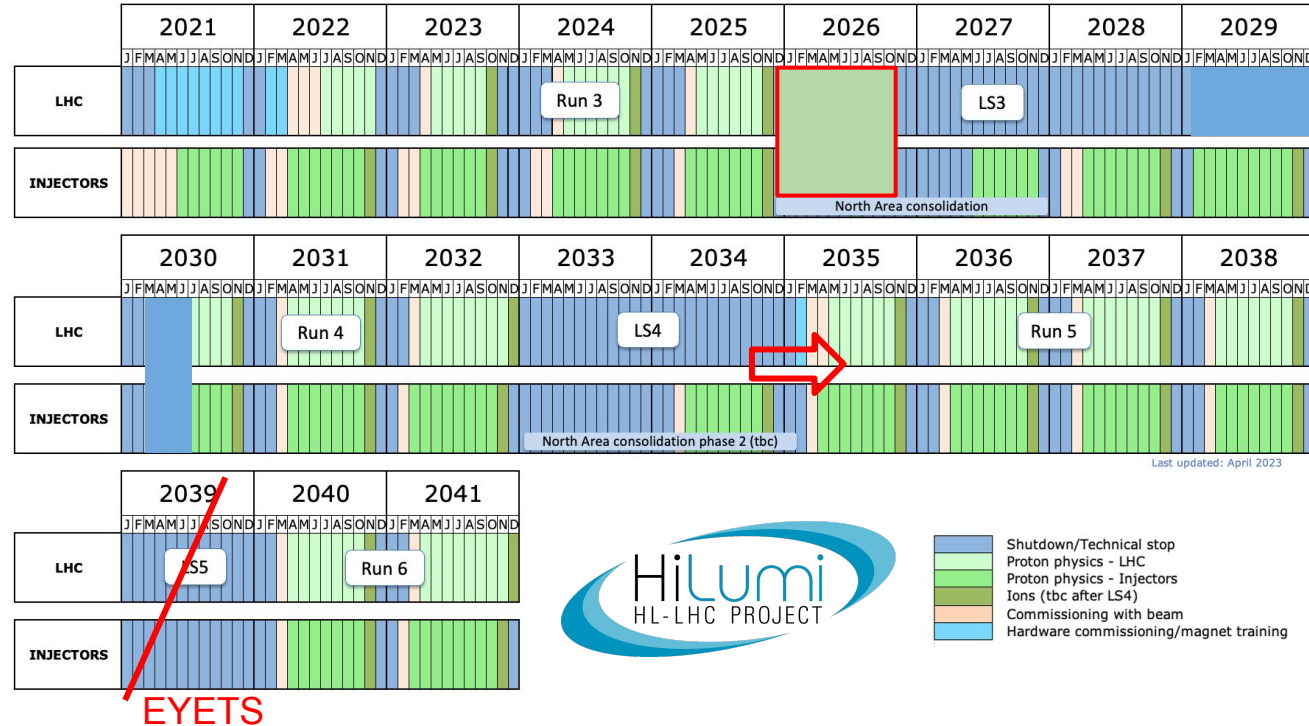
LHC to HL-LHC

- 350 fb⁻¹ already collected at LHC
- LHC delivering *pp* at 13.6 TeV center-of-mass energy
- Nominal Luminosity $L_{\text{nom}} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- 500 fb⁻¹ within reach for Run-3
- 8 years since HL-LHC approval
- 4.5 years remain until the end of LS3



Updated HL-LHC Schedule

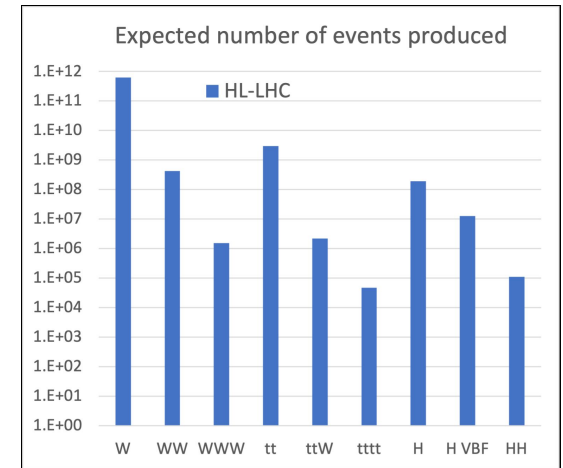
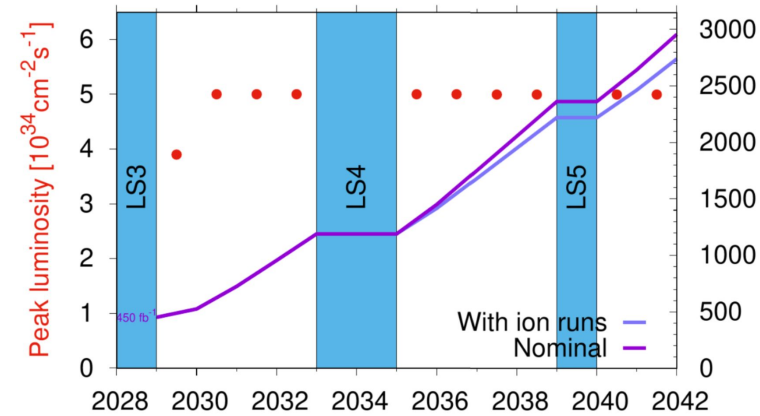
- Delays in upgrades have pushed back original schedule
- Series production for HL-LHC accelerator upgrades now well underway
- Run-3 planned into 2026
- LS4 moved by 1 year
- LS5 replaced by EYETS



HL-LHC Planned Specs

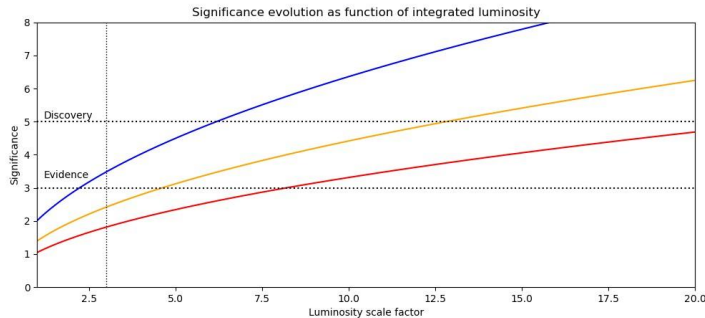
- Operation scenarios for total int. luminosity of up to 4000 fb^{-1} in around 10-12 years (ca. 10x LHC) ($\sim 250 \text{ fb}^{-1} / \text{year}$)
- “Nominal” scenario
 - Luminosity $5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
 - Events/crossing ~ 130
- “Ultimate” scenario
 - Luminosity $7.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
 - Events/crossing ~ 200
- Operation with levelled luminosity
- Higher rates and higher radiation doses a challenge for machine and experiments

→ Factory for access to huge numbers of Higgs bosons, other heavy particles and rare processes

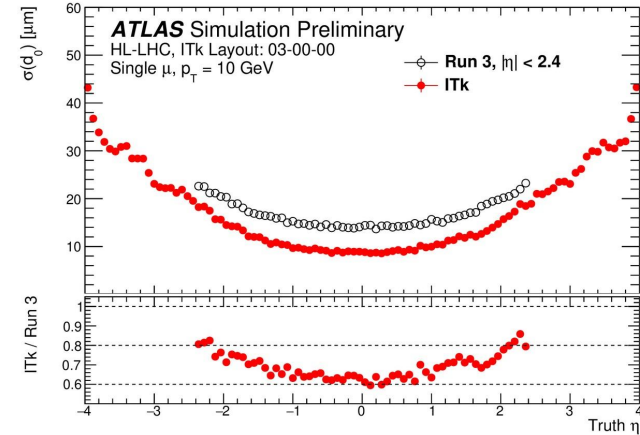


Why do we need Detector Upgrades

- Survive higher radiation doses and see through more pile-up
- Higher Data Volume Handling
 - Expect $\sim 10x$ integrated lumi at HL-LHC compared to LHC
- However in spite of huge number of particles produced significance increase by luminosity scaling alone is *relatively slow*
- Detector and software upgrades should allow **much better sensitivity**
 - Extended Physics Reach e.g. via increased solid angle
 - Enhanced Precision eg. via improved vertexing



Cowan et al.
Eur.Phys. J.C. (2011) 71



ATLAS Phase II Detector Upgrades for HL-LHC

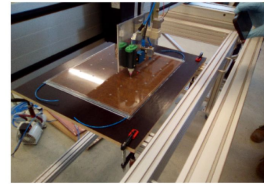
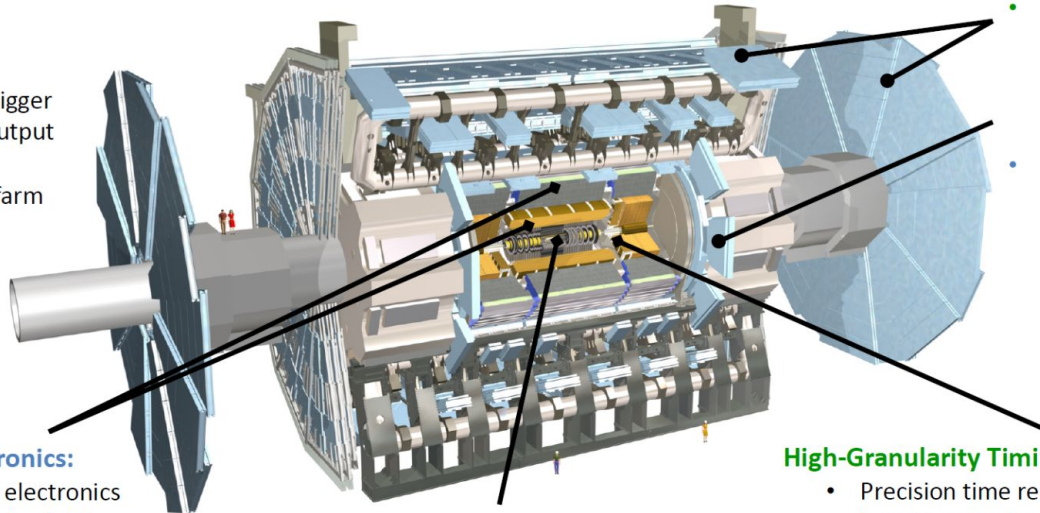
New and improved detectors:

Trigger and DAQ Upgrade:

- Single-level trigger with 1 MHz output (x10 current)
- Faster event farm

Muon Chambers:

- **New Inner-Barrel chambers**
 - Improved trigger efficiency and momentum resolution
 - Reduced fake rate
- Upgrade of the detector electronics for the new T/DAQ



Calorimeter Electronics:

- On-detector electronics upgrades for both LAr and Tile Calorimeters
- 40MHz readout for triggering

Inner Tracker (ITk):

- Replacement for Inner Detector
- All-silicon, 9 layers up to $|\eta|=4$
- Less material, finer segmentation → improved vertexing, tracking, b-tagging

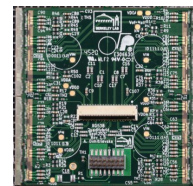
High-Granularity Timing Detector:

- Precision time reconstruction (30ps) with Low-Gain Avalanche Detectors (LGADs)
- Improved pile-up rejection in the forward region
- Also bunch-by-bunch luminosity

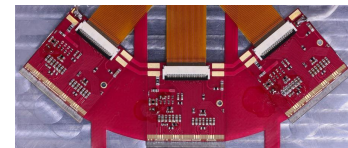
J. Pater, ICHEP 2024

ATLAS Phase-II Inner Tracker

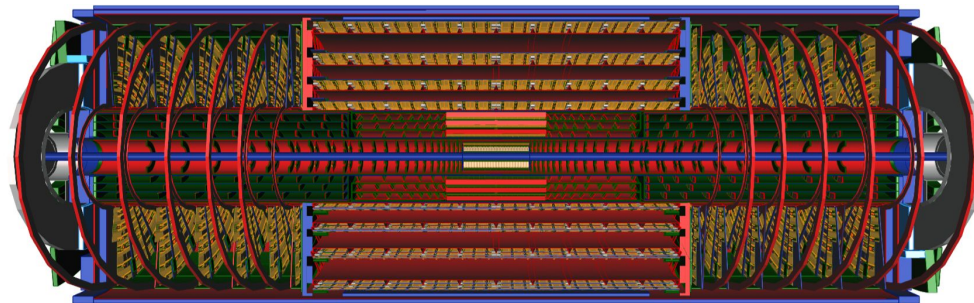
- Complete replacement of the current Inner Detector tracking system
 - All-silicon
 - 168 m² of strips (~18000 modules)
 - 13 m² of pixels (~10000 hybrid Si modules)
 - Radiation hard design: up to $10^{16} n_{eq}/cm^2$ on innermost layers
- Improved performance:
 - Increased coverage $|\eta| < 2.5 \rightarrow |\eta| < 4.0$
 - > 9 space points per track
 - Reduced material budget
 - Pixel: Serial powering with up to 14 modules in chain
 - Finer segmentation
- Many parts currently in production



Planar Pixel Quad Modules in Barrel Region

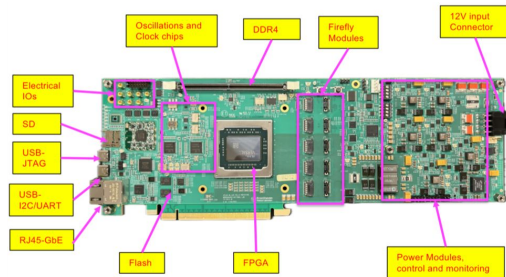


Pixel Ring Triplet Module



Trigger and DAQ Upgrades

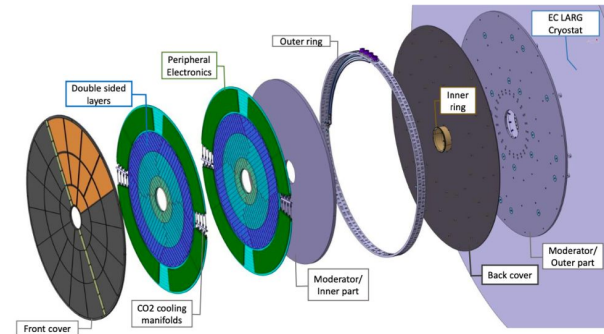
- Move to 1MHz single-level L0 HW trigger w. full event building for all systems
- SW-based Event Filter (HLT) at 10 kHz using ML and NN on GPUs
- All frontend electronics linked via custom FPGA based FELIX readout to DAQ



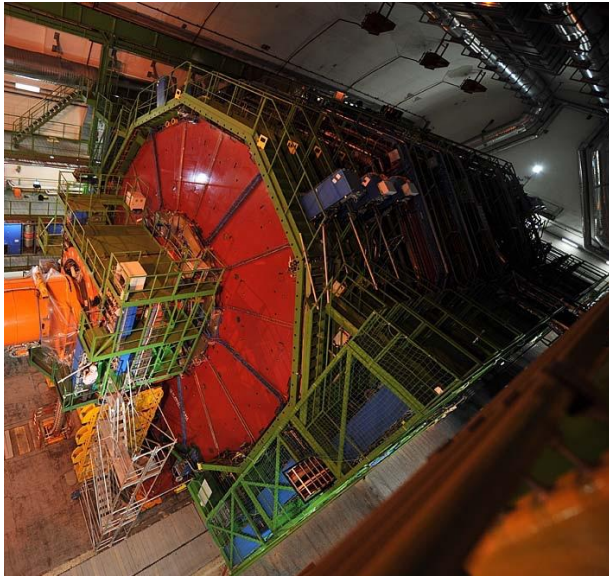
FELIX Custom readout Board

High-Granularity Timing Detector (HGTD)

- New Low-gain Avalanche Detector (LGAD) arrays
- Disentangle pileup in fwd region with timing information
- Precision luminosity bunch-by-bunch measurements (together with BCM' and LUCID3)



CMS Detector Upgrades



Trigger/HLT/DAQ

- Track information in L1-Trigger
- L1-Trigger: 12.5 μ s latency – output 750 kHz
- HLT output 7.5 kHz

Barrel ECAL/HCAL

- Replace FE/BE electronics
- Lower ECAL operating temp. (8 °C)

Muon Systems

- Replace DT & CSC FE/BE Electronics
- Complete Muon coverage in region $1.5 < \eta < 2.4$

New Endcap Calorimeters

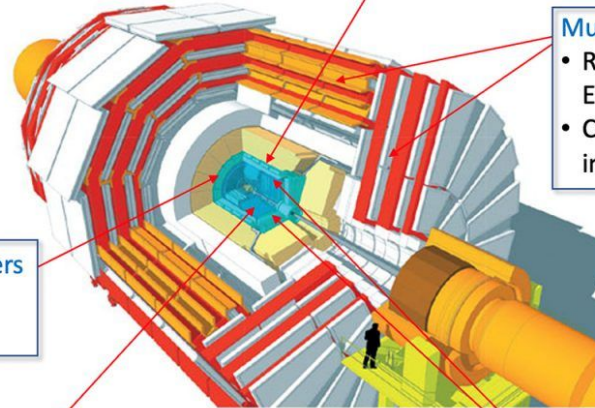
- High granularity
- 3D capable

New Tracker

- Rad. tolerant – high granularity – significant less material
- 40 MHz selective readout ($p_T > 2$ GeV) in Outer Tracker for L1 -Trigger
- Extended coverage to $\eta=4$

New Precision Timing Detector

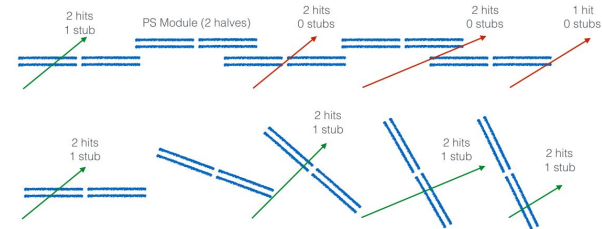
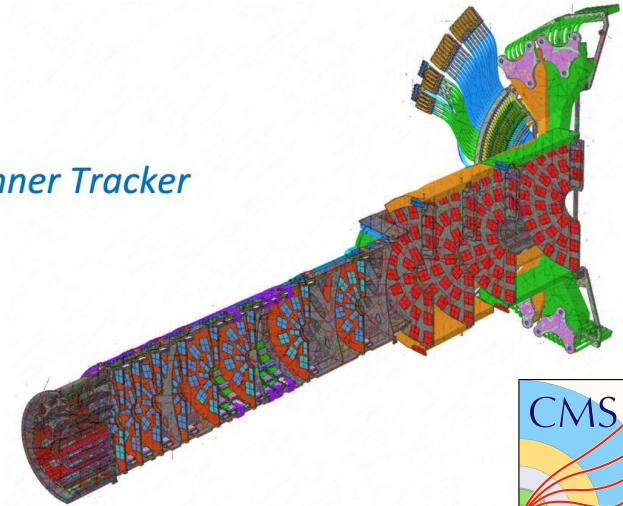
- Barrel: Crystal +SiPM
- Endcap: Low Gain Avalanche Diodes



CMS Tracker Upgrade

- Key features of the new Phase 2 Tracker
 - Extended tracking acceptance up to $|\eta| = 4$
 - Increased granularity
 - Radiation tolerance up to 10^{16} 1 MeV n_{eq}
 - Expected rate 3 GHz/cm² innermost pixel layer
 - Material budget reduced by factor 2
 - Improved performance
- Inner Tracker
 - 5 m² of silicon + 2G readout channels
 - 65nm ROC chip only active element on modules
- Outer Tracker
 - Microstrips + macropixels
 - Tilted barrel geometry for better triggering and reduced number of modules
 - **190 m²** of silicon
 - 213M readout channels

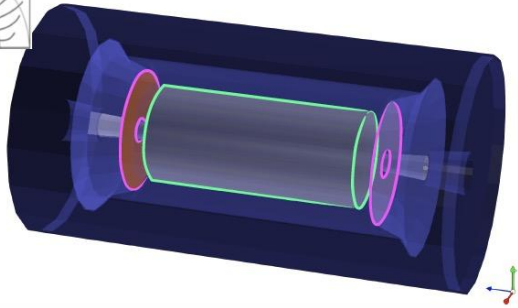
The Inner Tracker



Outer Tracker
Tilted barrel geometry

New Timing Detector MTD to measure the MIP

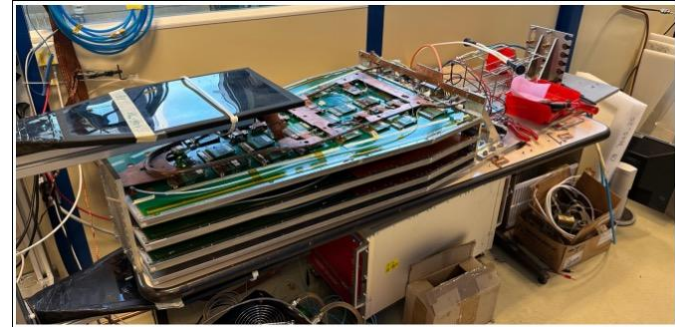
- Thin layers (ETL, BTL) between tracker and calorimeters
- Hermetic coverage for $|\eta| < 3$
- Time resolution of 30-50 ps to MIPs



38 m² of LYSO Crystals in Barrel Timing Layer

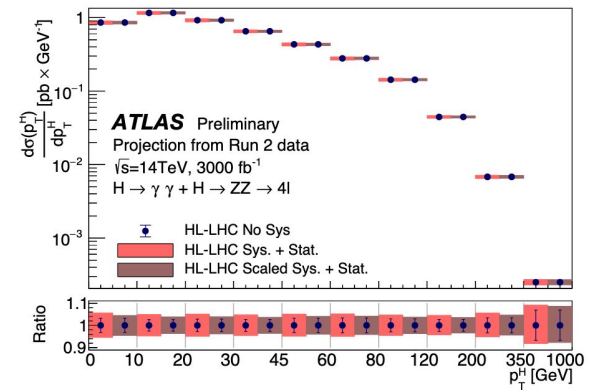
New Muon detectors

- Restore redundancy and extend the muon coverage up to $|\eta| < 2.8$
- Improve Trigger efficiency without increasing the trigger rate
- Improve Muon reconstruction

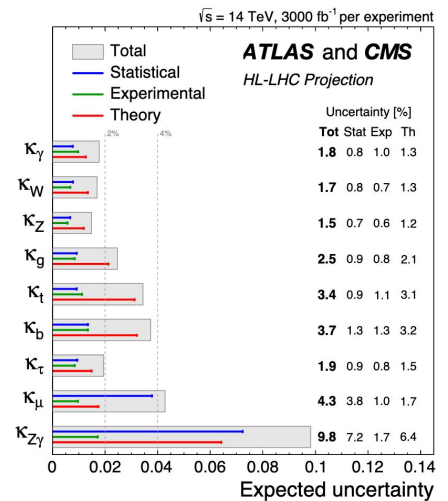
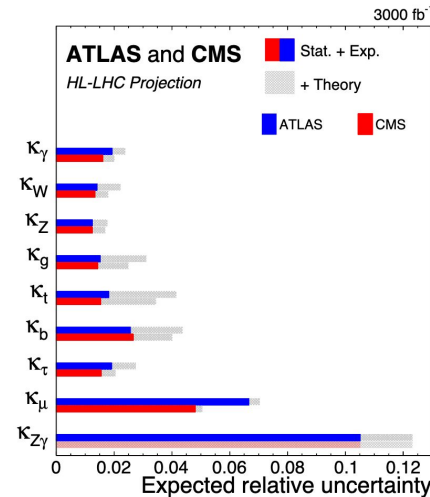


Key Reports with Upgrade Physics Projections

- CERN Yellow Report [CERN-2019-007](#)
- European Strategy Update [CERN-ESU-2019](#)
- Snowmass White Paper [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2022-018](#)

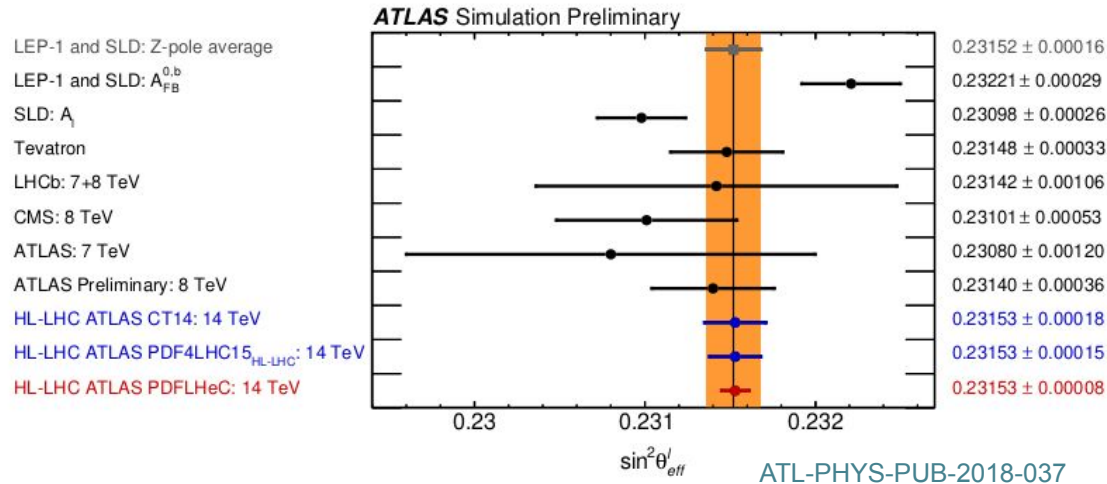


- Most projections from 2018
- Improved techniques should allow to do better now
- Novel reconstruction techniques being developed for tracking, hard jets / multi hard-scatter vertexing
- Novel analysis techniques employing ML / (G)NN techniques



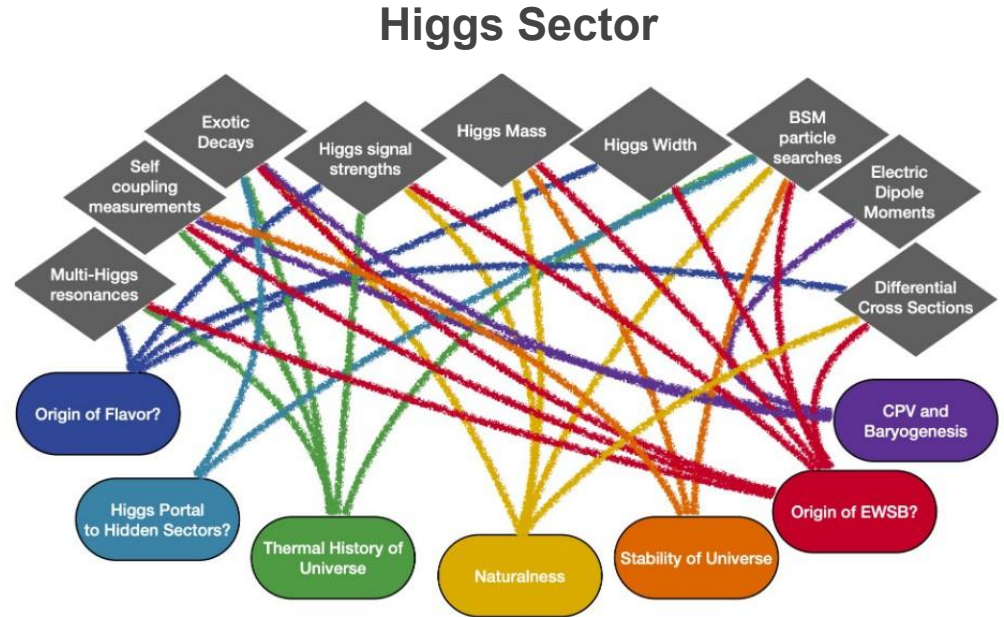
Standard Model Projections Example

- EW mixing angle using forward-backward asymmetry in DY dileptons
- Benefit from statistics and improved fwd electron reconstruction
- Should settle LEP-1 SLD discrepancy



Higgs Sector at HL-LHC

- Higgs Boson: Last remaining puzzle piece of SM
- Much better insight at HL-LHC compared to LHC
- Higgs Sector potential gateway to new physics



Open Questions in Standard Model → New Physics?

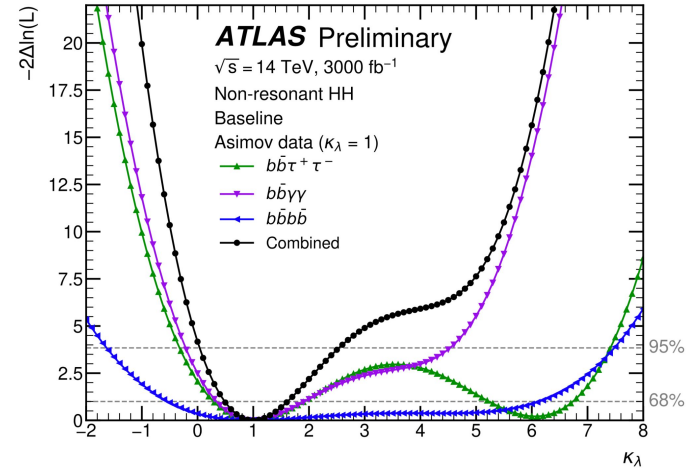
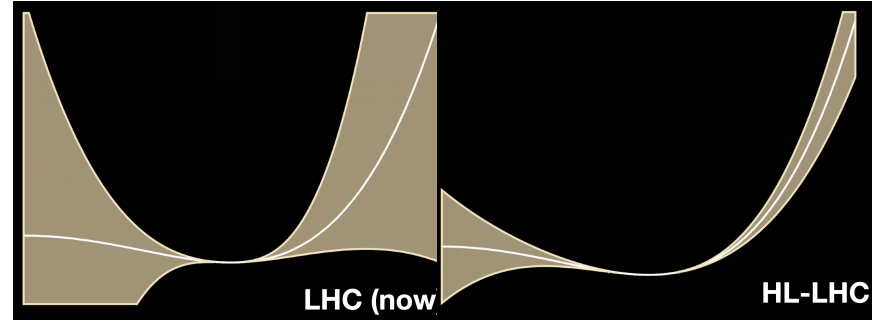
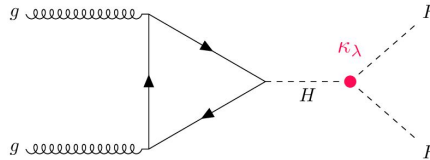
Snowmass 2021 Report ArXiv:2209.07510

Higgs Potential and Higgs Self Coupling

- Measurement of Higgs potential science driver for HL-LHC
- Largely unconstrained so far
- Shape of potential
 - Key to understand EW phase transition in early universe
 - Determines vacuum stability

$$V(H) = \frac{1}{2}m_H^2 H^2 + \lambda_3 v H^3 + \frac{\lambda_4}{4} H^4$$

- Higgs self coupling: H pair production gives tri-linear coupling
- Single Higgs production sensitive to coupling via higher order corrections

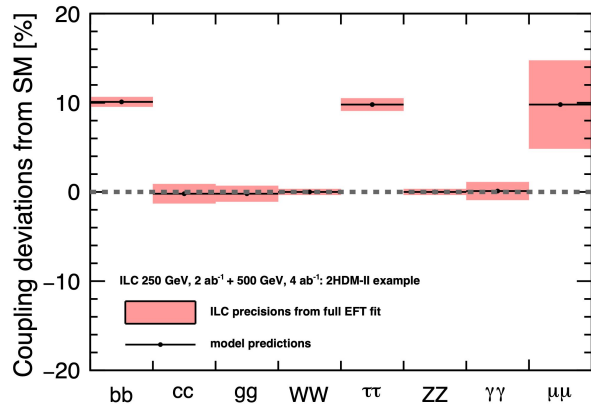


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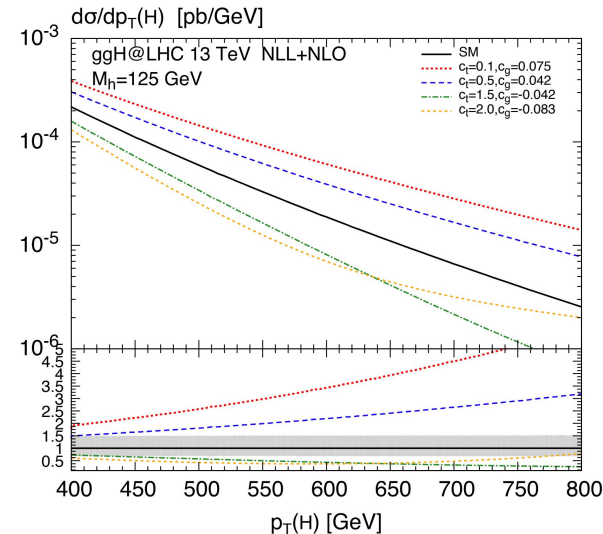
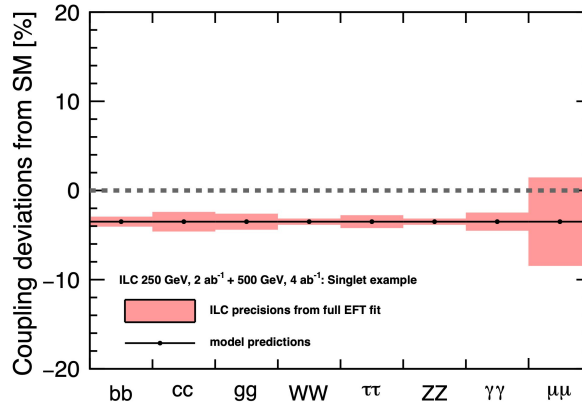
Higgs Couplings Sensitivity to BSM

- Higgs coupling deviations depend on BSM scenario
- High p_T region of Higgs diff. cross section sensitive to BSM

2HDM Type-II
 $m_A = 600 \text{ GeV}, \tan \beta = 7$

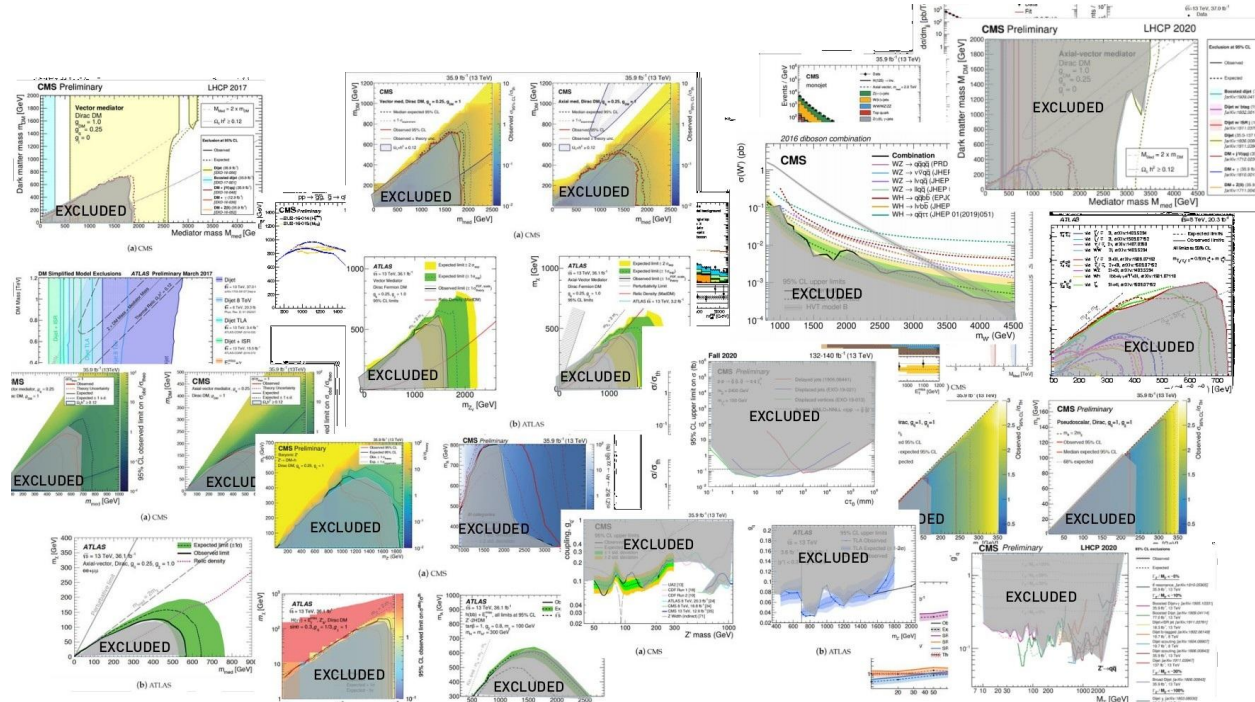
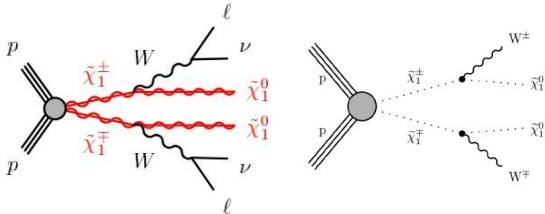


Extra Higgs singlet
 $m_\chi = 2.8 \text{ TeV}, \text{max allowed mixing}$



What happened to SUSY?

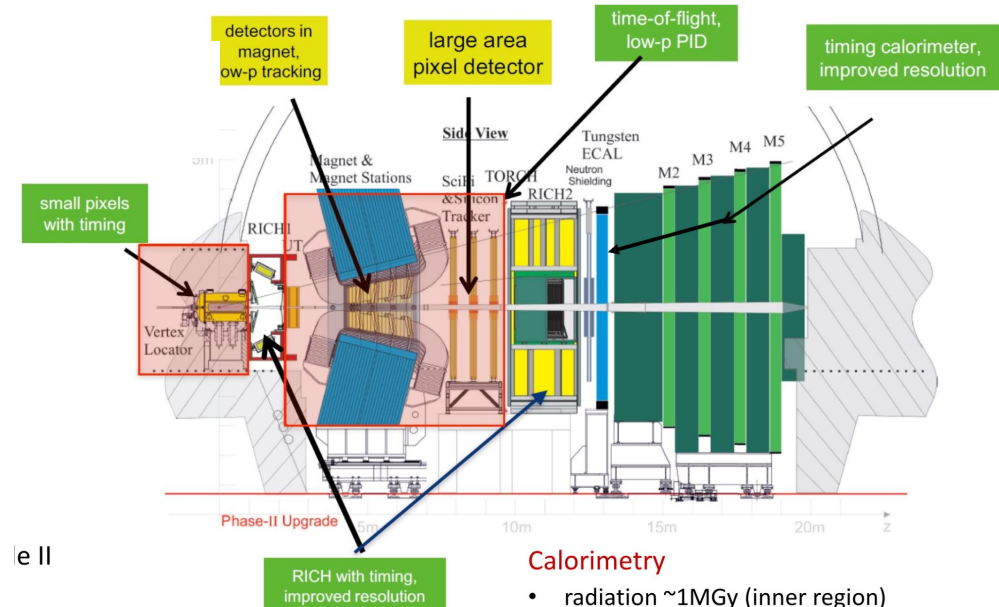
- If it exists, it's hiding very well...
- HL-LHC still has sensitivity in very specific scenarios
- eg. very specific chargino or stau pair production scenarios



adapted from Thea Aarrestad, CERN-70 symposium, Bergen 13/9-24

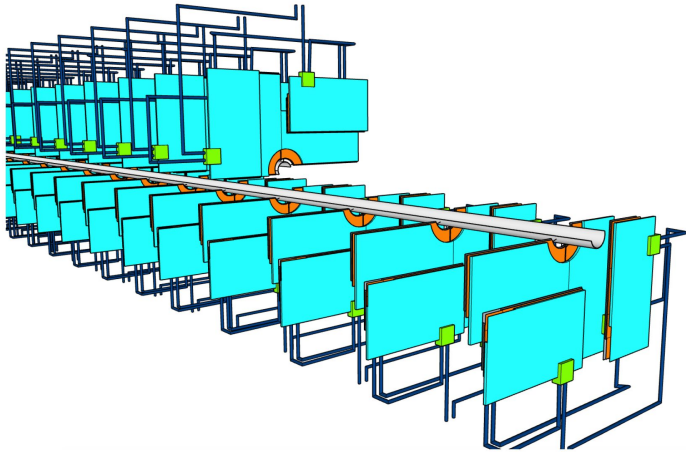
Proposed LHCb Upgrade II

- Flavor physics programmes by all LHC experiments, but LHCb is dedicated detector
- New Trackers **VELO II**, **UP** and **Mighty Tracker**, Magnet Stations with scintillators proposed
- New PID system with **RICH 1 & 2**, **TORCH**
 - Improved em. Calorimeter **PicoCAL**
 - higher resolution
 - added timing information
 - Upgraded Muon detectors **μ RWELL**, **MWPC**
- “Triggerless” - record everything
- Goal to put stringent test on CKM paradigm with 300 fb^{-1} 300 fb^{-1} of pp collisions in Run 5 & 6
- Scoping document submitted, TDRs planned
[CERN-LHCC-2024-010](#)

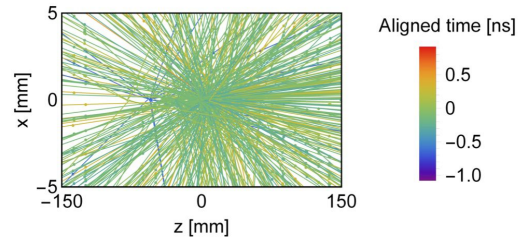


Proposed LHCb VELO II Vertex Locator

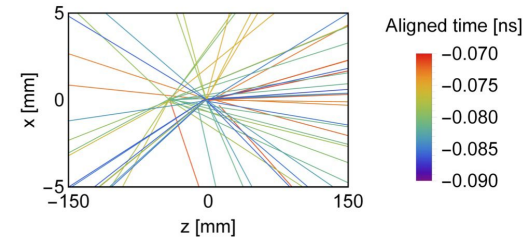
- 20ps/track time resolution
- ASIC bandwidth > 250 Gb/s
- 6x radiation hardness w.r.t. VELO



without 20 ps timing



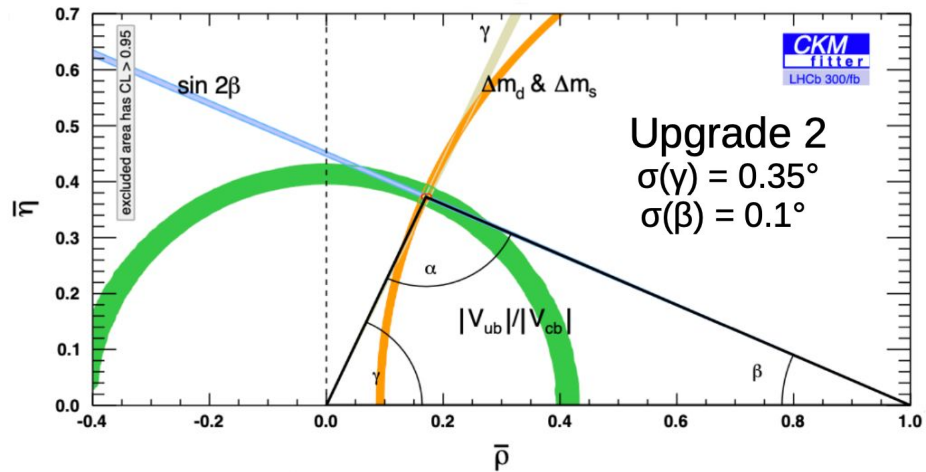
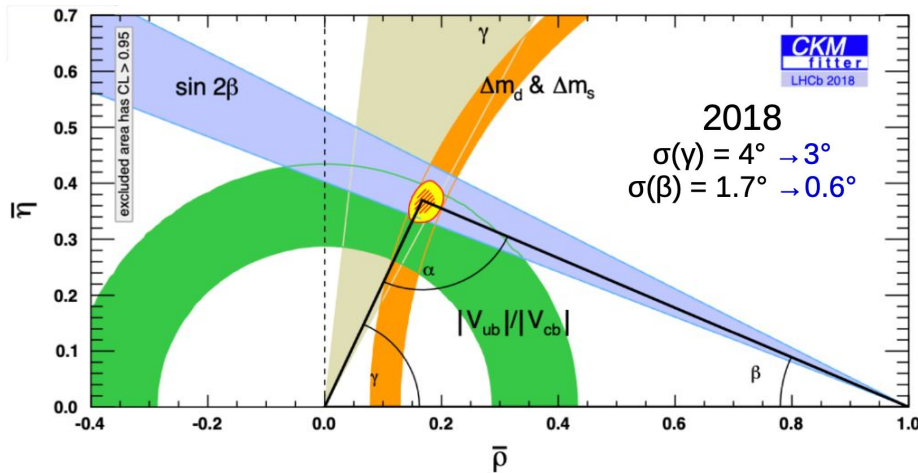
with 20 ps timing



- Same or better performance compared to LHCb but at HL-LHC conditions (7x pile-up)

Flavor Physics at the HL-LHC

- LHCb has outperformed expected Run 2 sensitivities for both β and γ
- Reasons for LHCb Upgrade II: Are there additional sources of CP violation? Does lepton universality hold? \rightarrow input to many BSM Searches
- Plan to make the most precise measurement of all 5 key CP violation parameters (β , γ , $\phi_s, A_{sl}^s, A_{sl}^d$) in the B system
- Also physics programme for CPV in charm, RH currents, QCD spectroscopy, fixed target, ...

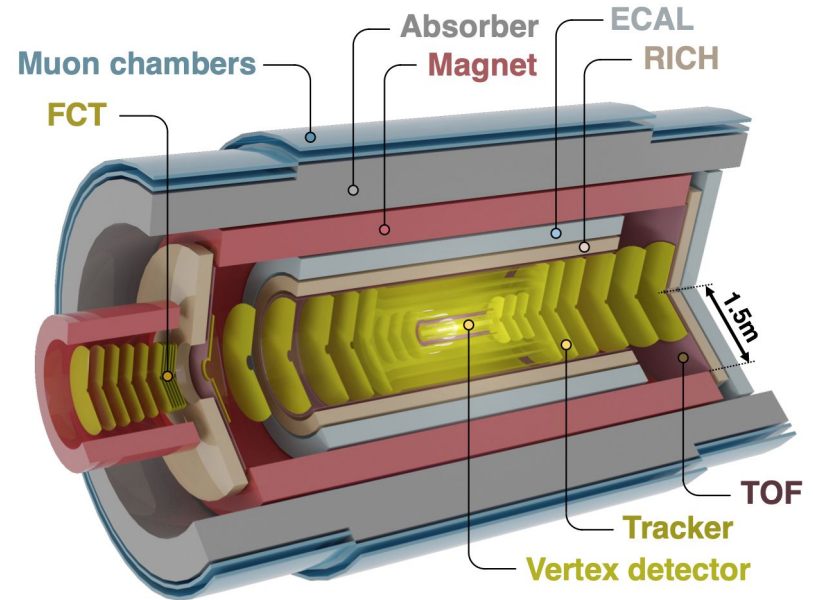


Proposed ALICE 3 Upgrade

- Upgrades for Run 4:
 - New bending vertex detector ITS3
 - FoCal
- Upgrades for Run 5 & 6:
 - New detector with better pointing resolution, tracking and PID
 - η coverage 4x larger than ALICE
- Goal to collect 35 nb^{-1} of $Pb+Pb$ collisions

ALICE 3 Letter of Intent

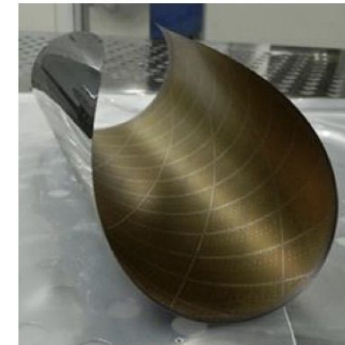
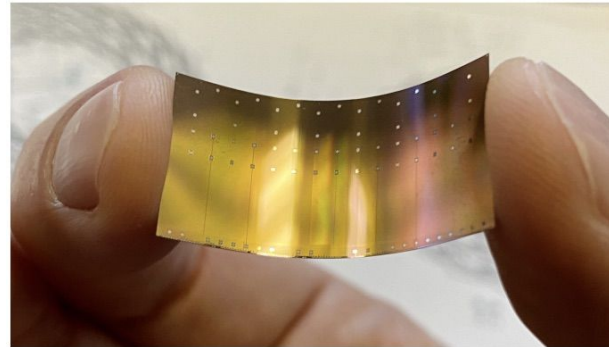
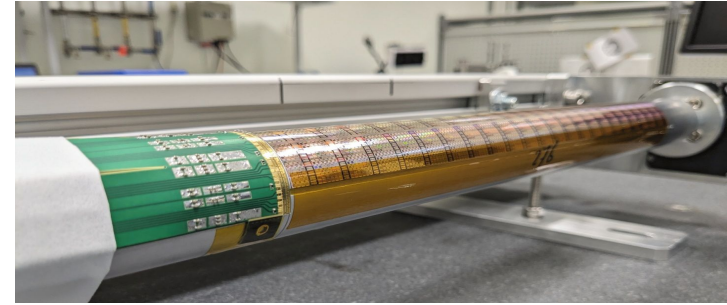
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ALICE 3 ITS3 Vertex Detector R&D

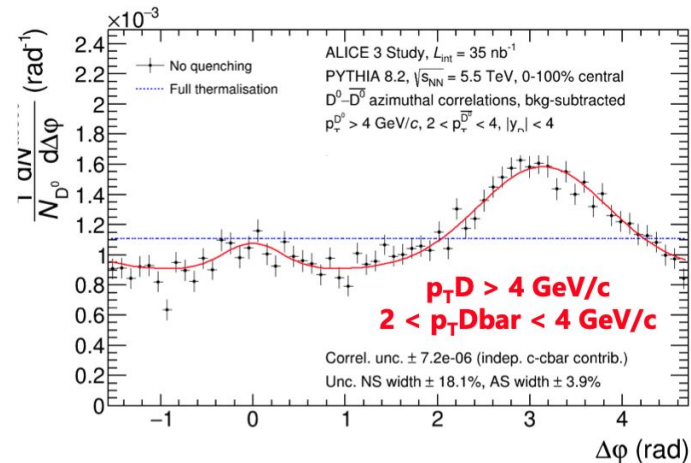
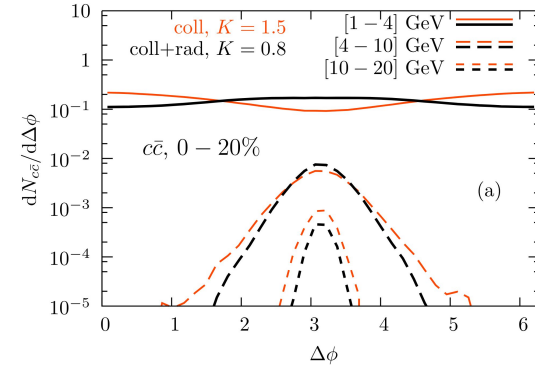
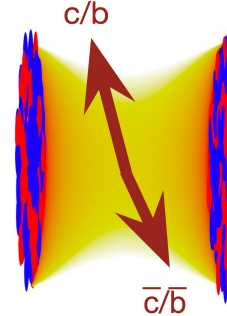
TDR <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2890181>

- Ultra-thin bending silicon pixel sensor
- Material budget only 0.05%X/layer
- Demonstrated with 12 inch wafers
- Bent to cylinder around carbon foam
- Physics analysis improvements
 - Focal, prompt photons
 - Excellent $\pi^0\gamma$ separation
 - Can probe QCD at extremely low momentum fractions
 - Secondary vertex resolution (b,c)



Physics of the Quark Gluon Plasma at the HL-LHC

- How do properties of hadrons and the quark-gluon plasma arise from QCD?
- Study formation and properties of QGP in $Pb+Pb$ collisions
- Heavy-quark correlations
 - What drives system toward thermal equilibrium?
 - Azimuthal (de)correlation between and from produced back-to-back provides direct access to interactions with QGP
 - Complementary to flow measurements
 - Requires large statistics of high-purity D mesons w/ larger η coverage due to significant broadening at low p_T
- First differential measurements of e^+e^- emission to probe QGP temperature as a function of time
 - Requires very light and precise tracker



Summary

- HL-LHC will address key questions/puzzles of particle physics w/ multi-faceted program
- Only tip of the iceberg of total effort going into upgrades for HL-LHC could be shown here
- Only glimpse of the full HL-LHC program could be shown here
- Full exploitation of HL-LHC is key
 - **Last hadron collider for decades!**
 - Many years before other opportunity to directly probe Higgs potential or access rare (exotic?) Higgs decay
 - 100x more Higgs bosons than at e^+e^- colliders



The particle physics iceberg