

# The ATLAS HL-LHC Upgrade program

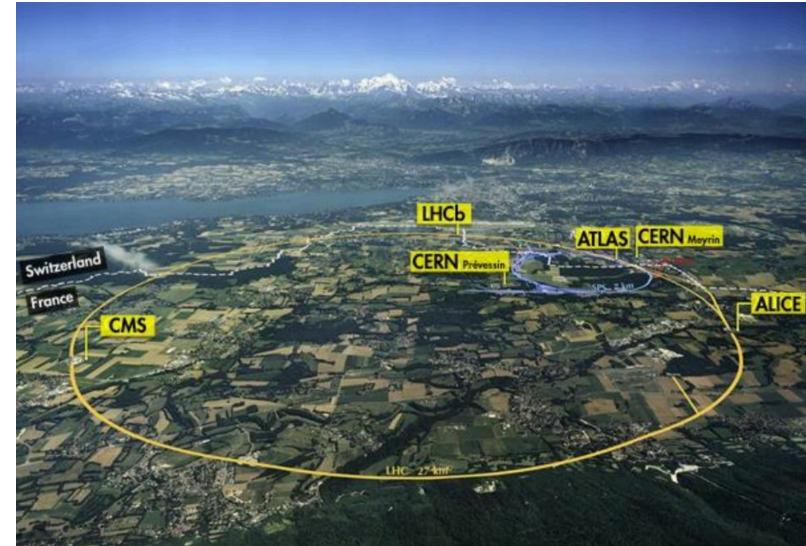
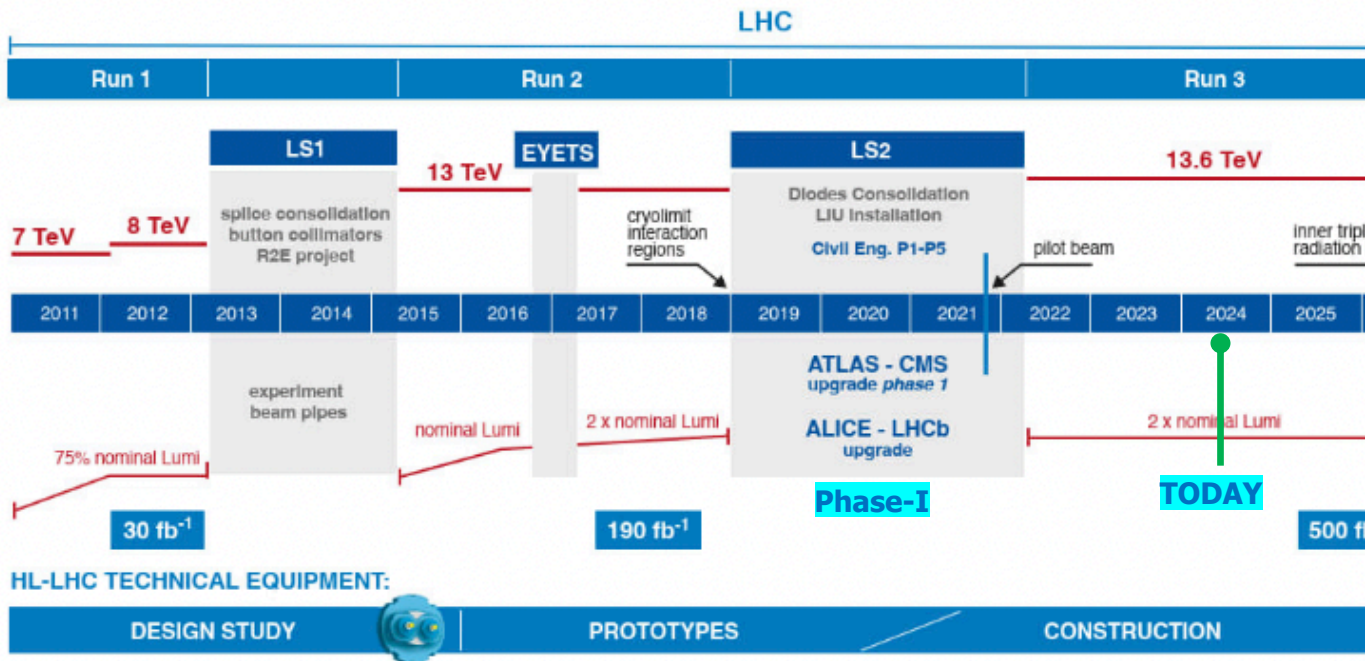
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## **Outline**

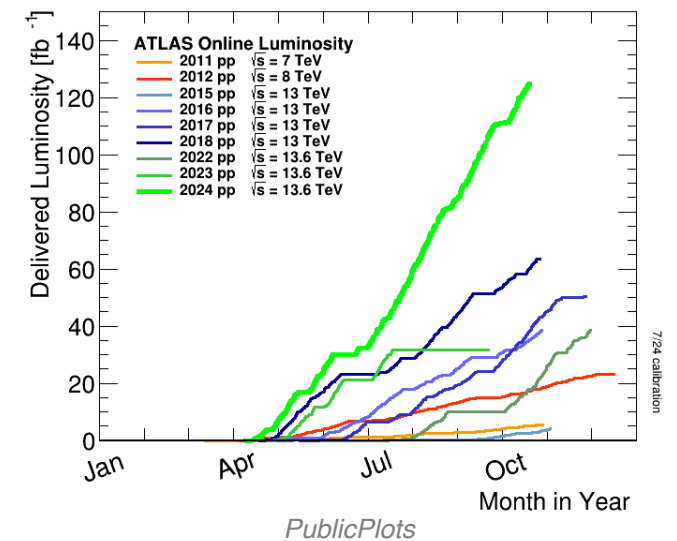
- *ATLAS@LHC*
- *HL-LHC motivations and challenges*
- *ATLAS@HL-LHC*



# The Large Hadron Collider



- The LHC accelerator is periodically upgraded to keep exploring the energy frontier.
  - Run1 2008-2012:**
    - $E_{\text{cm}} = 7\text{-}8 \text{ TeV}$ , Average pileup  $\sim 18$ ,  $L_{\text{int}} = 26 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - Run2 2015-2018:**
    - $E_{\text{cm}} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ , Average pileup  $\sim 34$ ,  $L_{\text{int}} = 147 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - Run3 2022-2024:**
    - $E_{\text{cm}} = 13.6 \text{ TeV}$ , Average pileup  $\sim 64$ ,  $L_{\text{int}} = 183 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

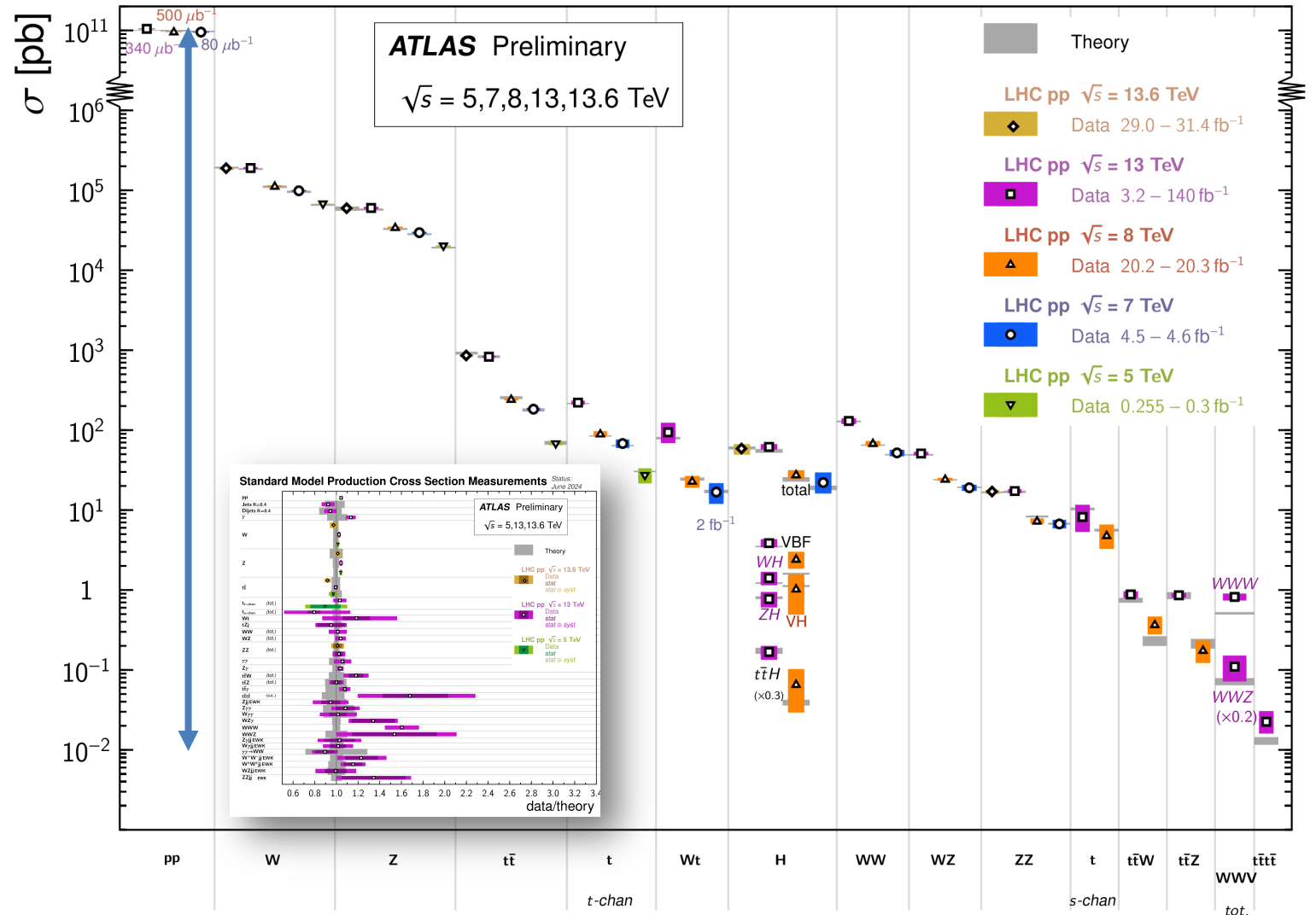


# ATLAS Physics reach

- SM studied over 13 orders of magnitude
- Higgs:
  - After observation in Run1, all major production mechanisms observed and coupling to bosons and to 3rd generation fermions
- Probing SM:
  - pQCD tests in production of jets, photons, W, Z, top;
  - Precision measurements:  $m_W, m_t, \alpha_s, \sin^2\theta_W \dots$
  - Rare processes ...
- Physics program greatly benefitted from advances in theory calculations and event generators:
  - Calculations up to N3LO in QCD and NLO in EW corrections

Standard Model Total Production Cross Section Measurements

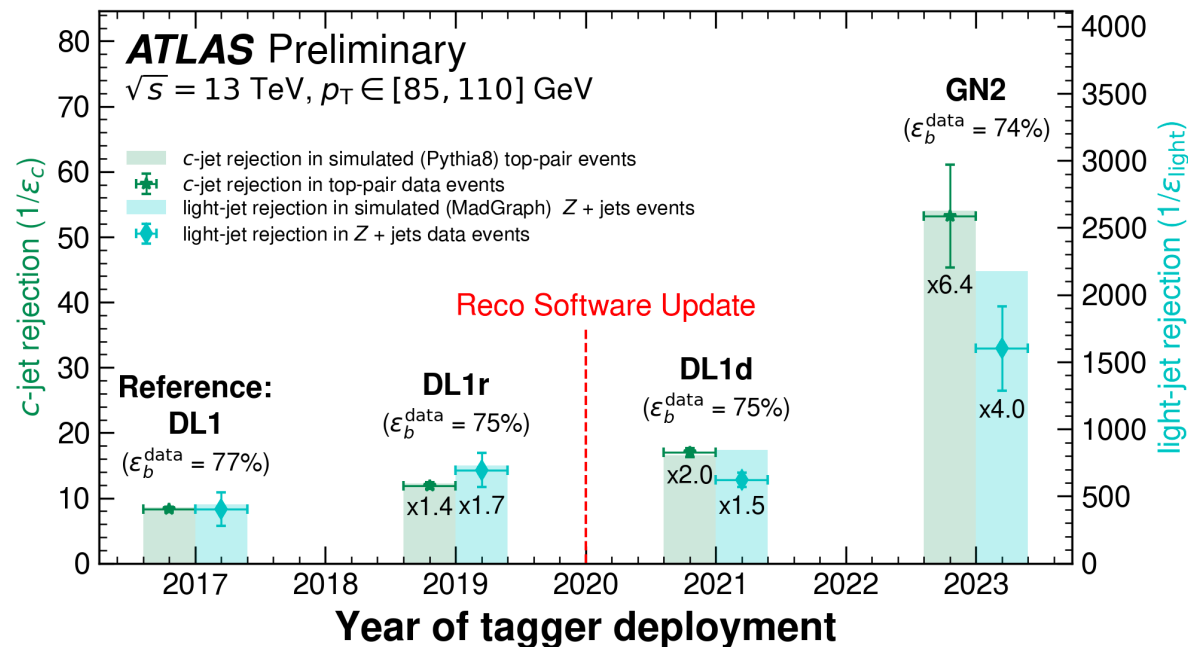
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Public plots

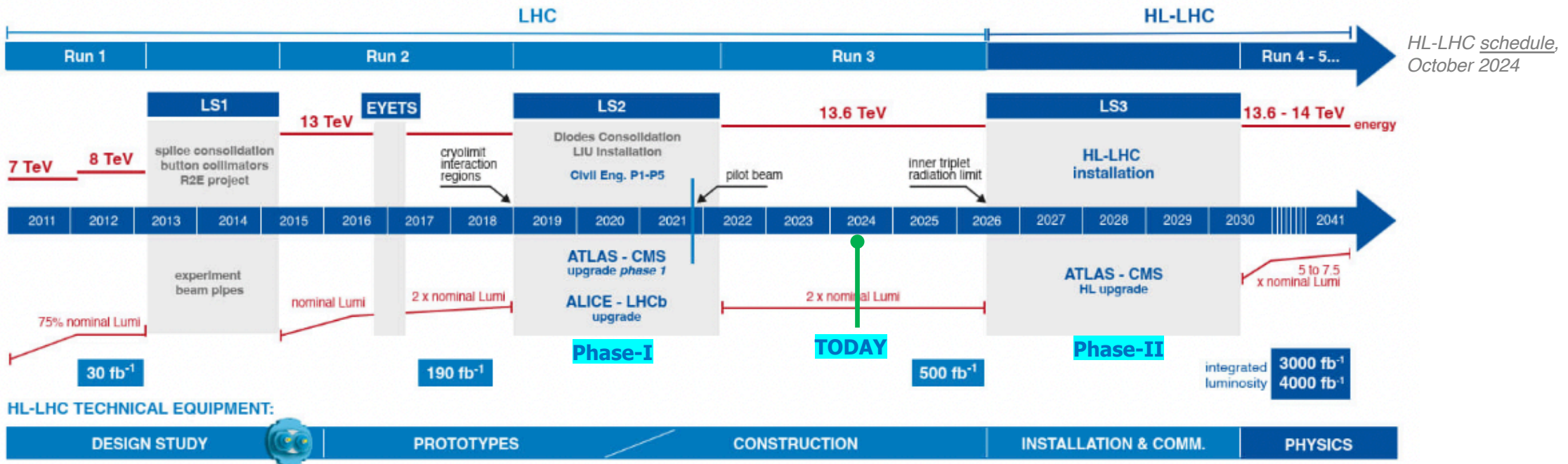
# ATLAS detector performance

- Detector performance is constantly improving with time, often beyond original expectations, even thanks to the **safety margins** adopted in the design.
  - Very large calibration samples give the possibility to calibrate object momentum scales with very small uncertainty (<0.1% for leptons, <1% for jets)
  - Impressive improvement in jet flavour tagging and tau identification thanks to state of-the-art deep learning techniques, calibrated using real data samples
- Learning process: large effort for taking high quality data, performing calibrations, brings to a better understanding of detectors and thus to new ideas to improve beyond initial expectations.

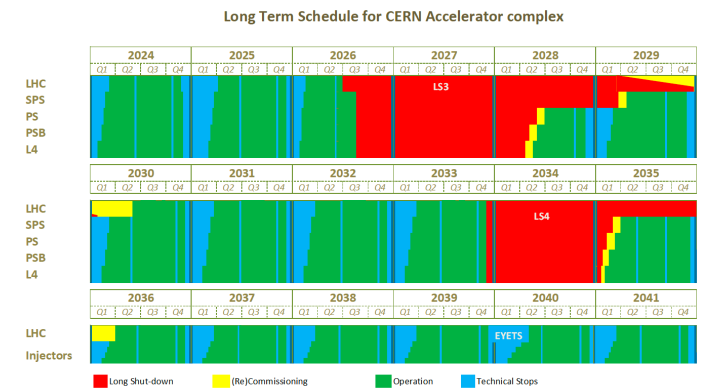


*Example:  
Heavy flavour tagging*

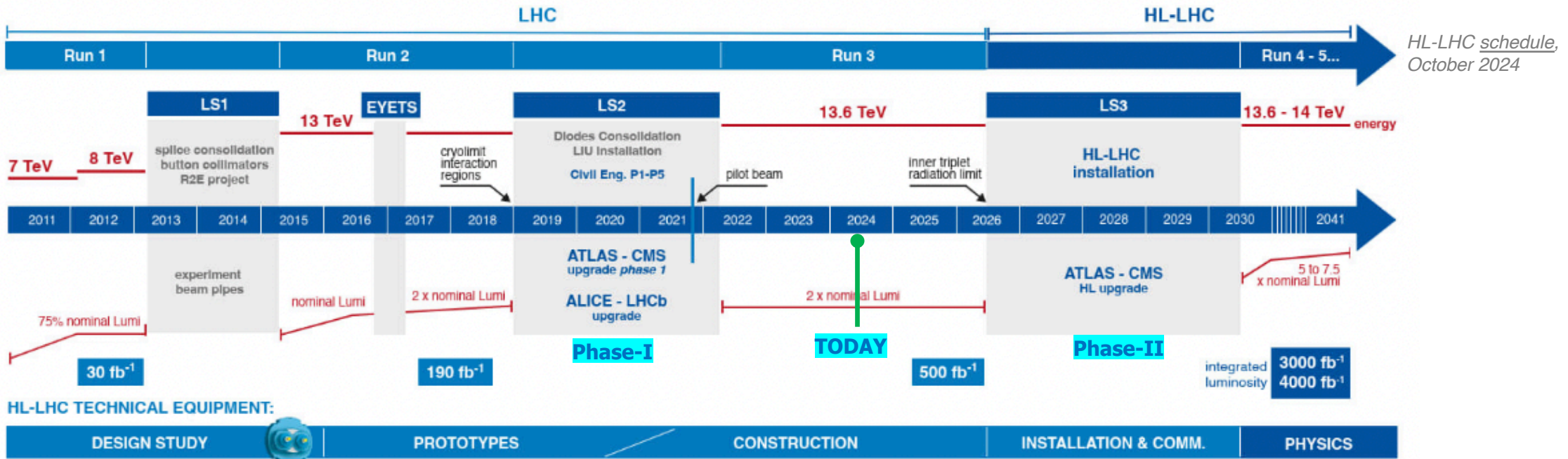
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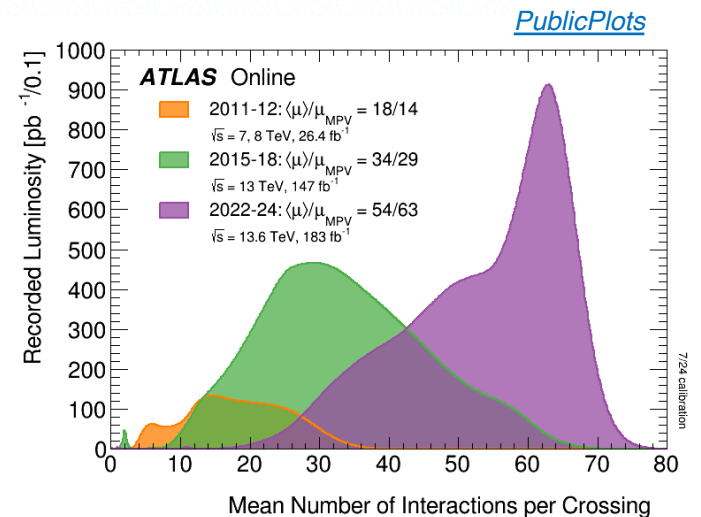
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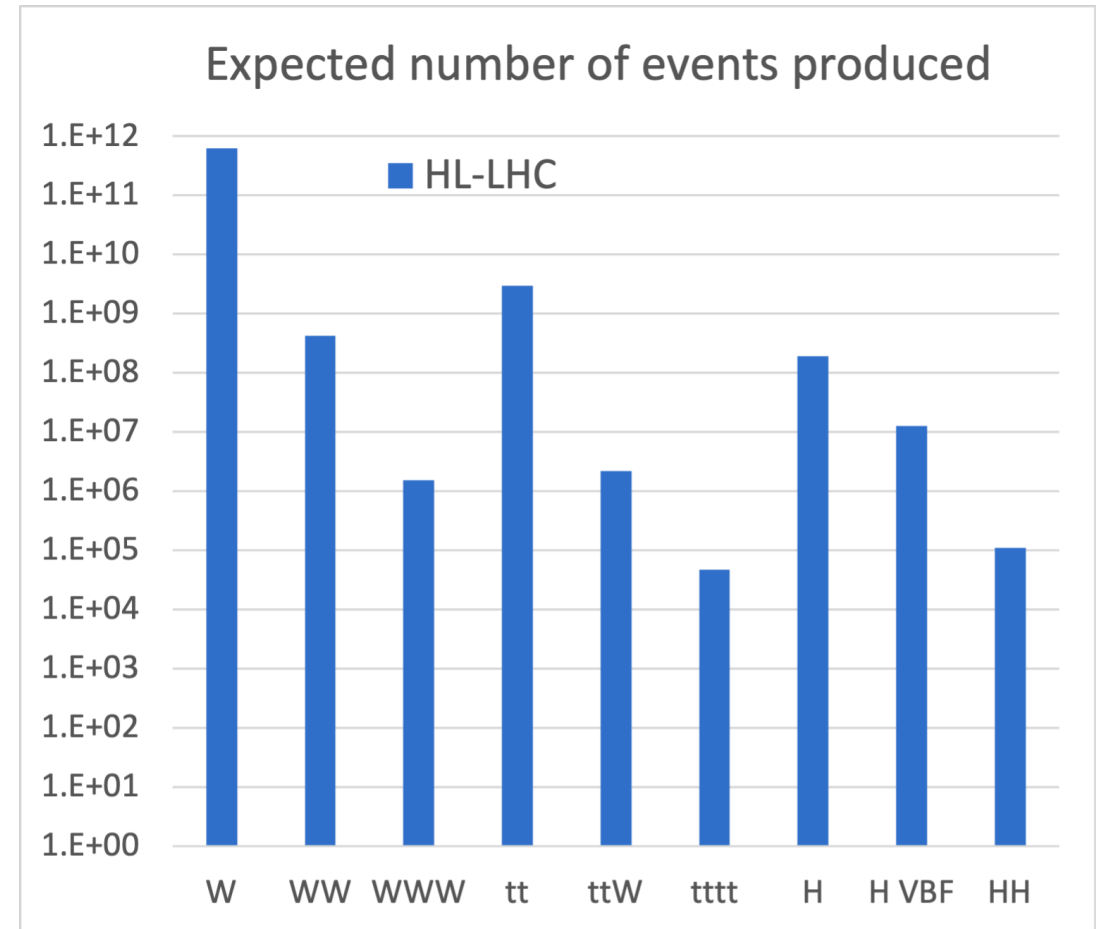


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- More than 5 times the initial nominal instantaneous luminosity (i.e. up to 5-7.5  $10^{34}$   $\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ )
  - This will increase the average pile up from current  $\mu \sim 60$  up to  $\mu = 200$



# *HL-LHC is a Higgs, W/Z/top ... factory*

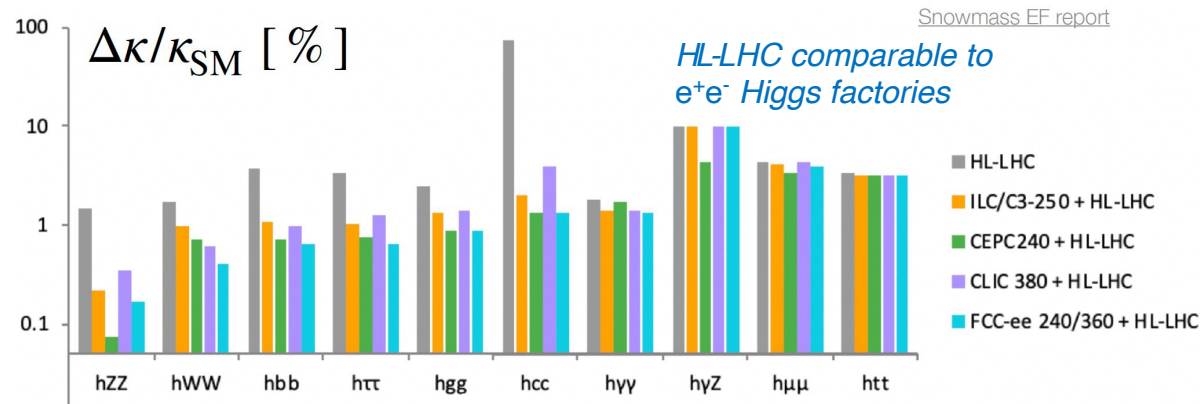
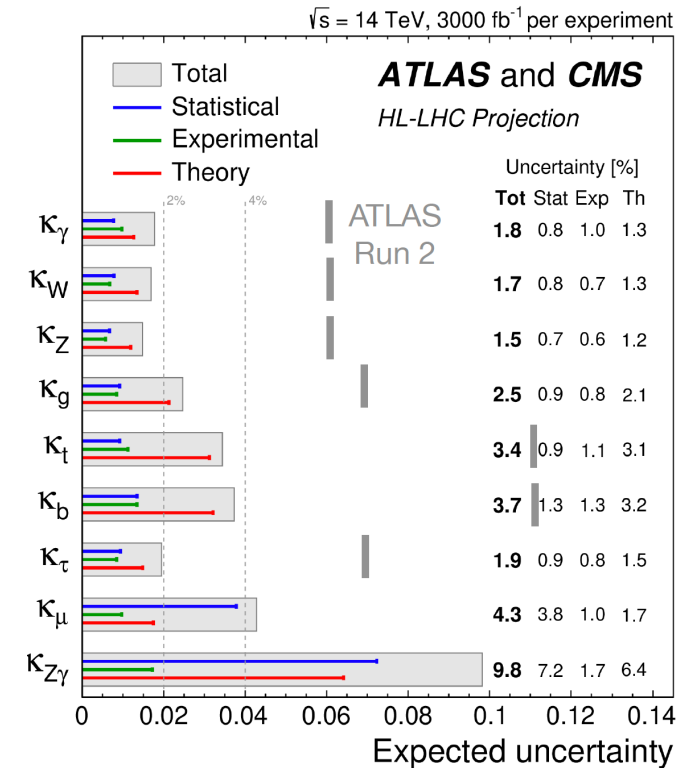
- **Huge statistical power for heavy particles!**
- Number of particles produced in ATLAS with  $3,000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at 14 TeV
  - 600,000 Millions W bosons
  - $\sim 3,000$  Millions tt pairs
  - $\sim 190$  Millions Higgs bosons
  - $\sim 0.12$  Millions HH pairs
- Gives access to “rare” processes
  - $\sim 50,000$  tttt
  - exotic Higgs decays down to  $\text{BF} \sim 10^{-6}$
- **HL-LHC allows exploration at both energy frontier and intensity frontier.**



# Physics reach at HL-LHC – Higgs properties

[CERN-2019-007 \(YR18\)](#)

- Higgs boson couplings quantified with precision on tree-level coupling modifiers ( $k_i$ )
  - 1.5 - 1.8% for couplings to bosons ( $\gamma, W, Z$ )
  - 1.9 - 4.3% for couplings to fermions ( $\mu, \tau, b, t$ )
  - Coupling to charm difficult due to BR = 2.9% , large background and c-tagging performance:  $k_c < 1.75 \times \text{SM} @ 95\% \text{ CL}$
  - $\text{BR}_{\text{inv}} < 2.5\% @ 95\% \text{ CL}$ : strong constraints on Dark Matter in Higgs portal models
- The main challenge is to reduce systematic uncertainties exploiting large data sets: a thorough work!
- HL-LHC is a Higgs factory, in several cases results will not be improved by future  $e^+e^-$  colliders.

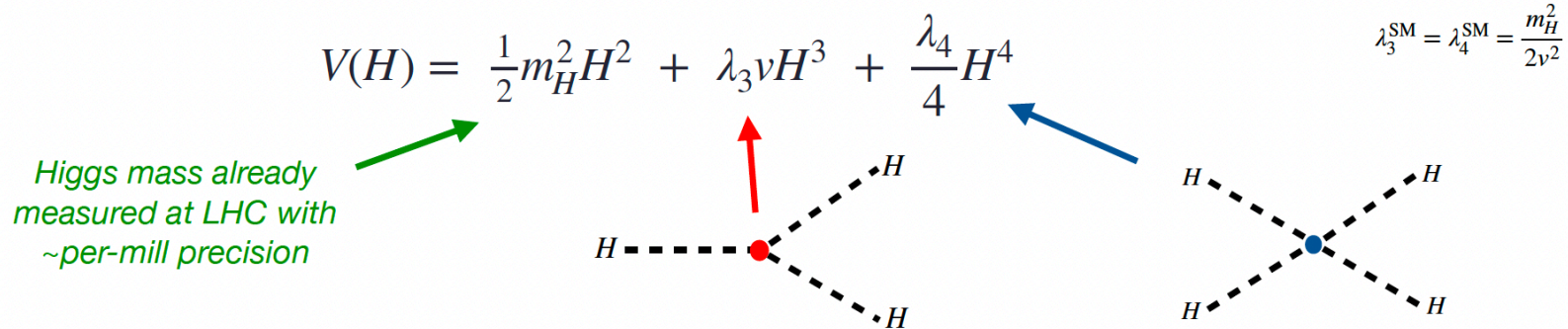


Main sources: [CERN yellow report \(2018\)](#) updated by [Snowmass white paper \(2022\)](#), further update in preparation for [European Strategy](#).

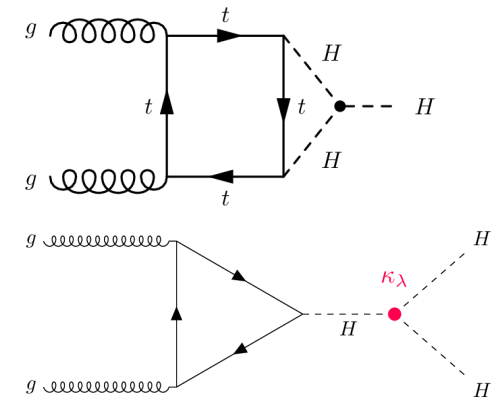


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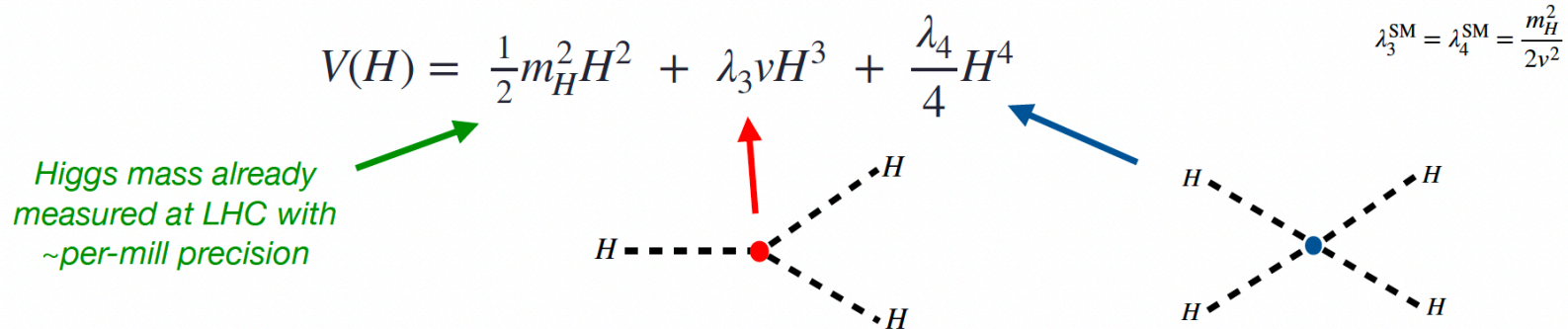


- Single Higgs measurements sensitive to  $\lambda$  via higher-order corrections.
- Tri-linear coupling directly accessible via Higgs pair production
  - $pp \rightarrow HH$  cross section 3 orders of magnitude lower than single Higgs

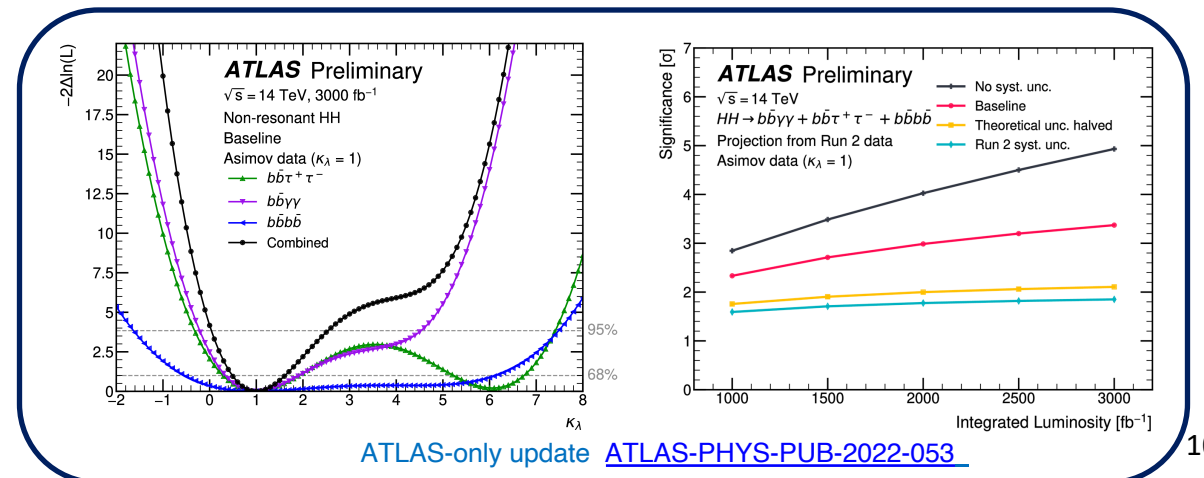
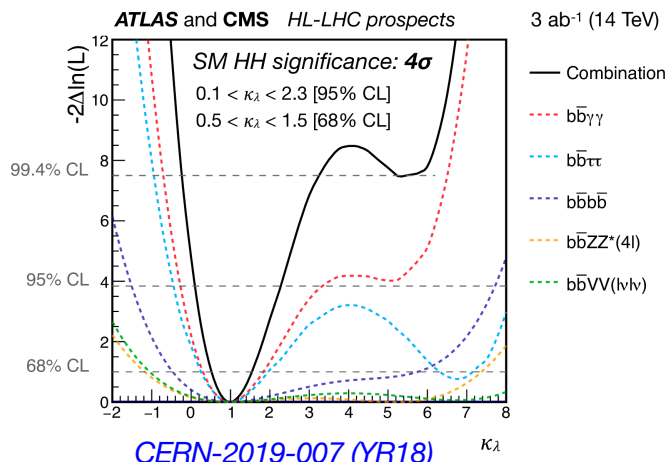


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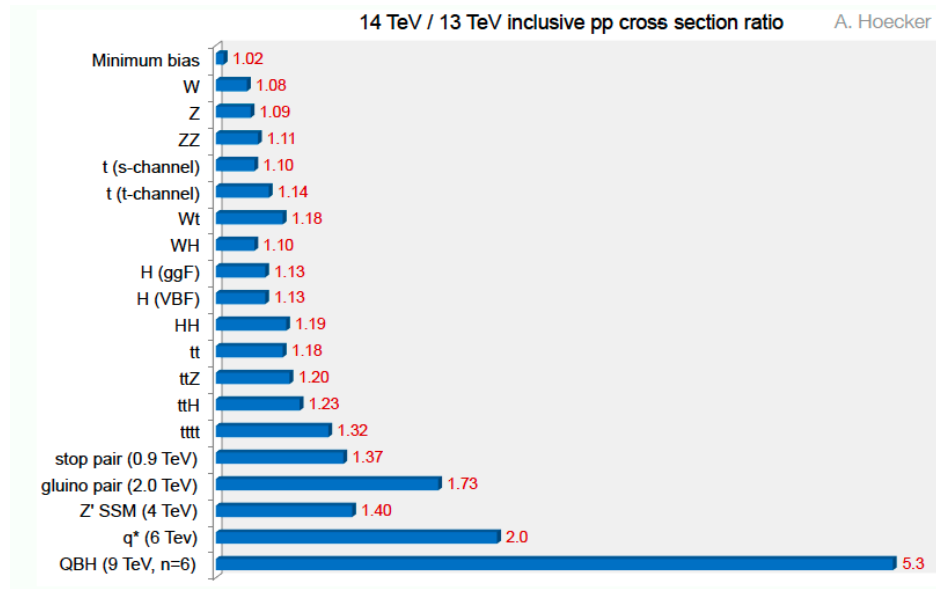


- Snowmass ATLAS-CMS combination expects a  $4\sigma$  observation (4.5 stat. only)
  - New ATLAS-only expectation (improved after this combination):  $pp \rightarrow HH$   $3.4\sigma$  (4.9 stat only)
  - Expecting improvements from progress on b/tau tagging and ML techniques and reduction of associated systematic uncertainties, we can probably pass the  $5\sigma$



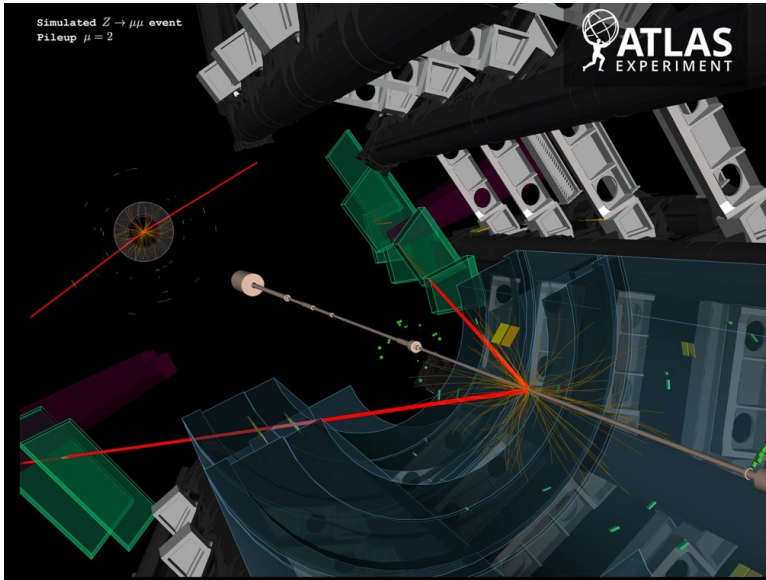
# Physics reach at HL-LHC – Searches

- Increase in mass reach for new states just from luminosity is significant (but not huge: cross sections decreases steeply)
  - e.g. Z'SSM from 5.5  $\rightarrow$  7 TeV, gauginos 1.1  $\rightarrow$  1.6 TeV
- Difference between 13.6 and 14 TeV for resonances with mass close to kinematical limit:
  - e.g. for a 9 TeV quantum black hole cross section increase by factor 5.3
- Expect improvements for LLPs and channels involving b/tau-jets, low- $p_T$  objects, thanks to improved trigger and detector capabilities

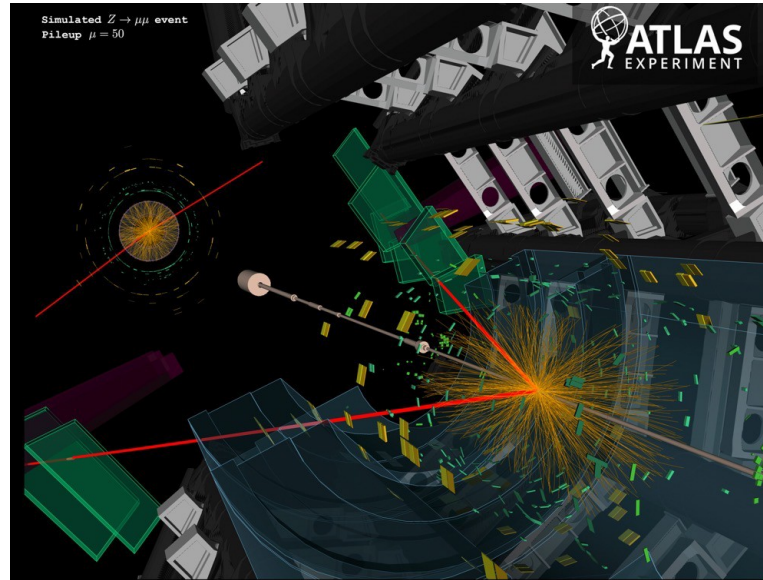


# HL-LHC detector challenges

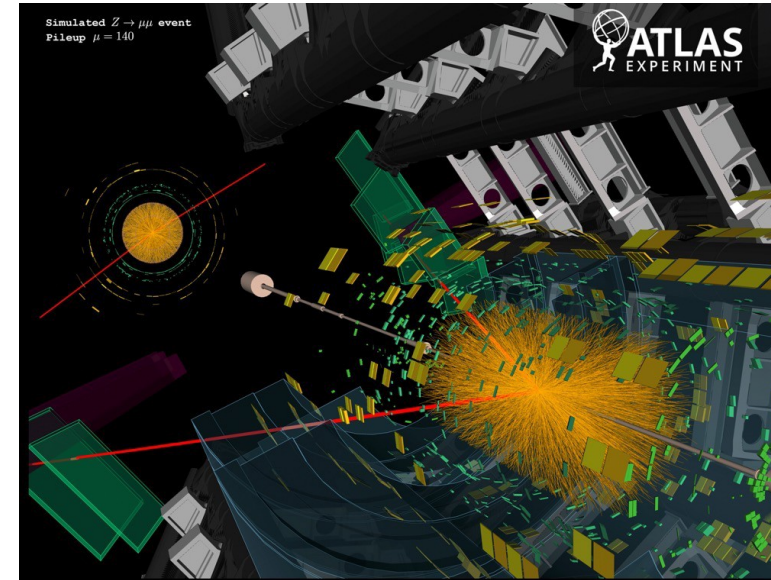
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Pile-up = 50



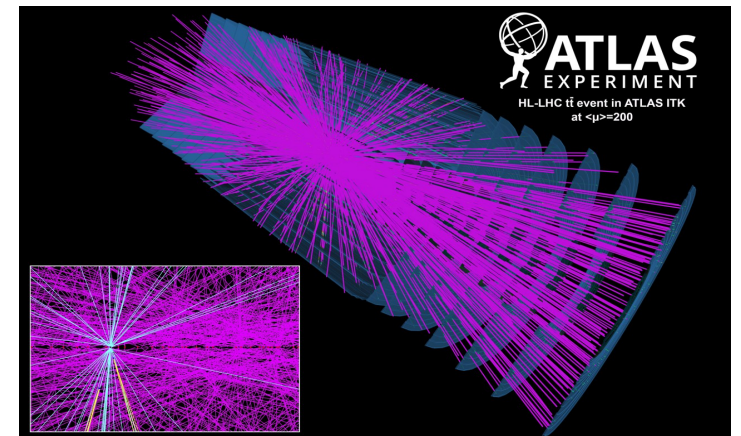
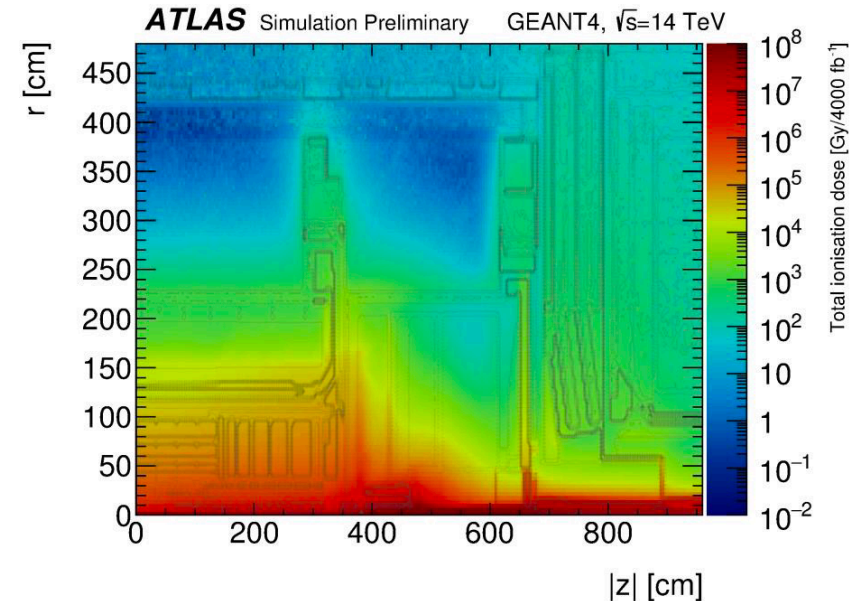
Pile-up = 140



- Need to **upgrade ATLAS experiment** to deal with more “messy” events, and more radiation damage.
- The goal is to keep (if possible, improve) current performance despite new challenges:
  - Measure all relevant final states (leptons, photons, jets, missing  $E_T$ , ...) with at least comparable precision as in current run, in a much harsher environment.

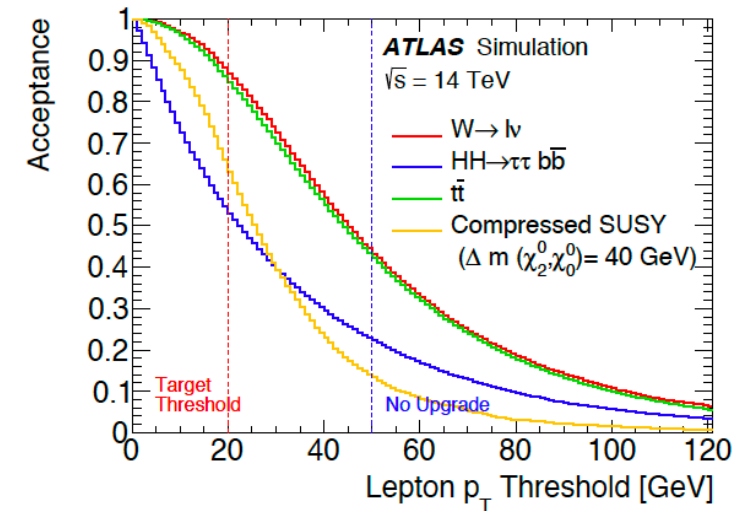
# Detector challenges

- **Radiation damage**
  - 4 times larger radiation doses than original ATLAS  
→ Radiation ageing of detectors and electronics (up to 10 MGy,  $2 \times 10^{16}$   $n_{eq}$   $cm^{-2}$  in the tracker innermost layers)
- **Pileup is an experimental challenge**
  - reconstruct charged-particle tracks in this busy environment, keep **fake** under control
  - distinguish tracks originating from the vertex of the interesting interaction (or from sec. vertices from b decays) from the others coming from pileup vertices
  - Minimize the energy from pileup interactions in the reconstruction of jets, MET, isolation and reject pileup jets



# Detector challenges

- Readout challenges
  - Larger event sizes
  - Hit rates may reach the limits of detector rate capability or saturate readout bandwidth
- Trigger challenges
  - Keep object  $p_T$  thresholds low (without increasing rates too much) to fully exploit the high luminosity physics potential
  - Add signatures that have been in part sacrificed in Run2 because of rate limitations e.g. low- $E_T$  multi-jets for di-Higgs searches, low mass di-leptons...
- Experiment lifetime extended from 10 to approximately 30 years:
  - Keep technologies up to date
  - Robustness and maintenance (including sociology)



*Single-lepton signature plays a central role in LHC data analyses*

*The no-upgrade scenario, assumes a  $\sim 100$  kHz Level-0 output rate, the Phase-I hardware selections unchanged, and rate allocations comparable to those planned for Phase-I.*

# Detector upgrade design

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- HL-LHC challenges require the **re-design of our current detector** (or at least large parts of it) for our physics programme
  - Higher detector **occupancy**
    - need a detector with higher granularity
  - Higher **trigger rates**
    - redesign of our trigger architecture and readout system for a trigger rate at 1 MHz , i.e. x10 higher, while keeping same lepton  $p_T$  threshold
  - Increasing **reconstruction complexity**
    - run more complex software online
    - extend tracking to forward regions (to match forward jets)
    - improve capability to associate tracks to vertices exploiting timing
  - High **radiation environment**
    - need silicon with higher tolerances (eg: Inner Tracker  $\sim 10e16 n_{eq}/cm^2$  i.e.  $\sim x10$  higher)
    - replacement for electronics
- **A staged approach:**
  - Upgrade towards HL-LHC has started in the Phase-I with inclusion of New Small wheel and the upgrade of the calorimetric trigger

# *Some more challenges*

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- Technical challenges coming from the HL-LHC are huge and complicated, examples in the next slides.
- HL-LHC phase also calls for new collaboration organization:
  - For the first time some detector **deliverables are common to the LHC experiments** (not only R&D): notably, the Pixel 65 nm readout ASIC and the CO<sub>2</sub> cooling systems for the trackers have been shared between ATLAS and CMS.
  - A large community is needed to build and fund such challenging “home-made” detectors. But the **management** of a such large community in our “scientific style” is not easy.
  - With respect to the initial detector construction, now the **same community must deal** with data analysis, detector operation and maintenance, and upgrade.
- Some detectors are there since almost 20 years!
  - Beyond the upgrades, it is important also to focus on the possibility to reliably run the “legacy” detectors for more than another decade: making access easier, adding redundancy, consolidating them is vital.



# Current detector configuration

New detectors

## Inner Tracker (ID)

Pixel and Strip silicon detector, Transition Radiation TRT. At larger radius. A fourth additional pixel layer (IBL) added to the ID in 2014.

## Electromagnetic Calorimeter

high granularity Lead/Liquid Argon (LAr).  
Trigger upgrade

## Hadronic Calorimeter

steel/scintillator-tile

## Muons Spectrometer

**Barrel region:** Monitored Drift Chambers (MDT) and Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC) for triggering

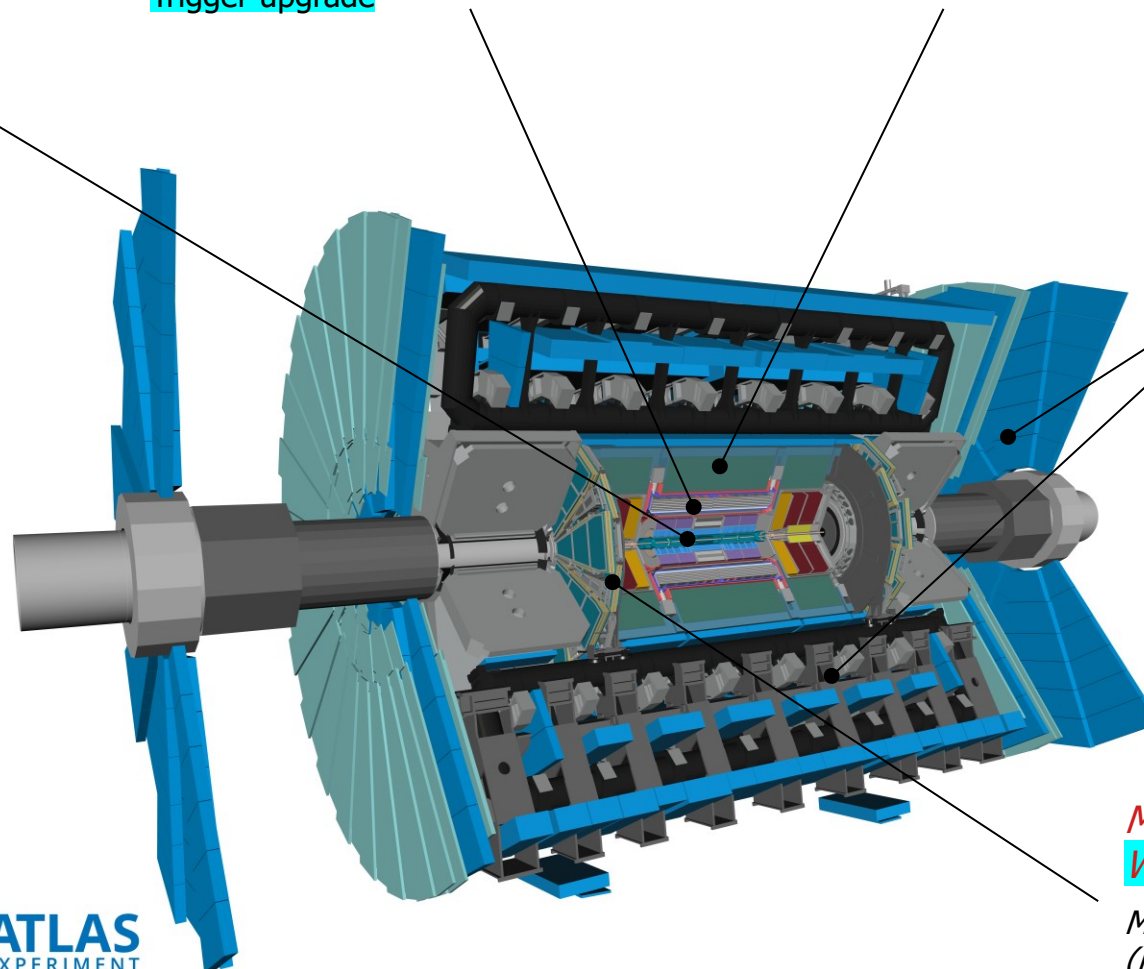
**End-Cap region:** MDT and Thin Gap Chamber (TGC) for triggering

## Magnets

Toroid Magnets for the Muon Spectrometer, Solenoid magnet for the ID systems

## Trigger and DAQ

Hardware Trigger at 100 kHz fed by Calo and Muons, sw trigger at few kHz output



## Muons Spectrometer – New Small Wheels in Phase-I

MICRO MESH Gaseous Structure (Micromegas) detectors, and small-strip TGC, optimized for triggering

# ATLAS Phase-II Upgrades

Legacy detectors

New detectors

## New Inner Tracker (ITk)

All silicon with 9 layers up to  $|η|=4$   
Less material finer segmentation  
Improve vertexing, tracking, b-tagging

## Calorimeter Electronics

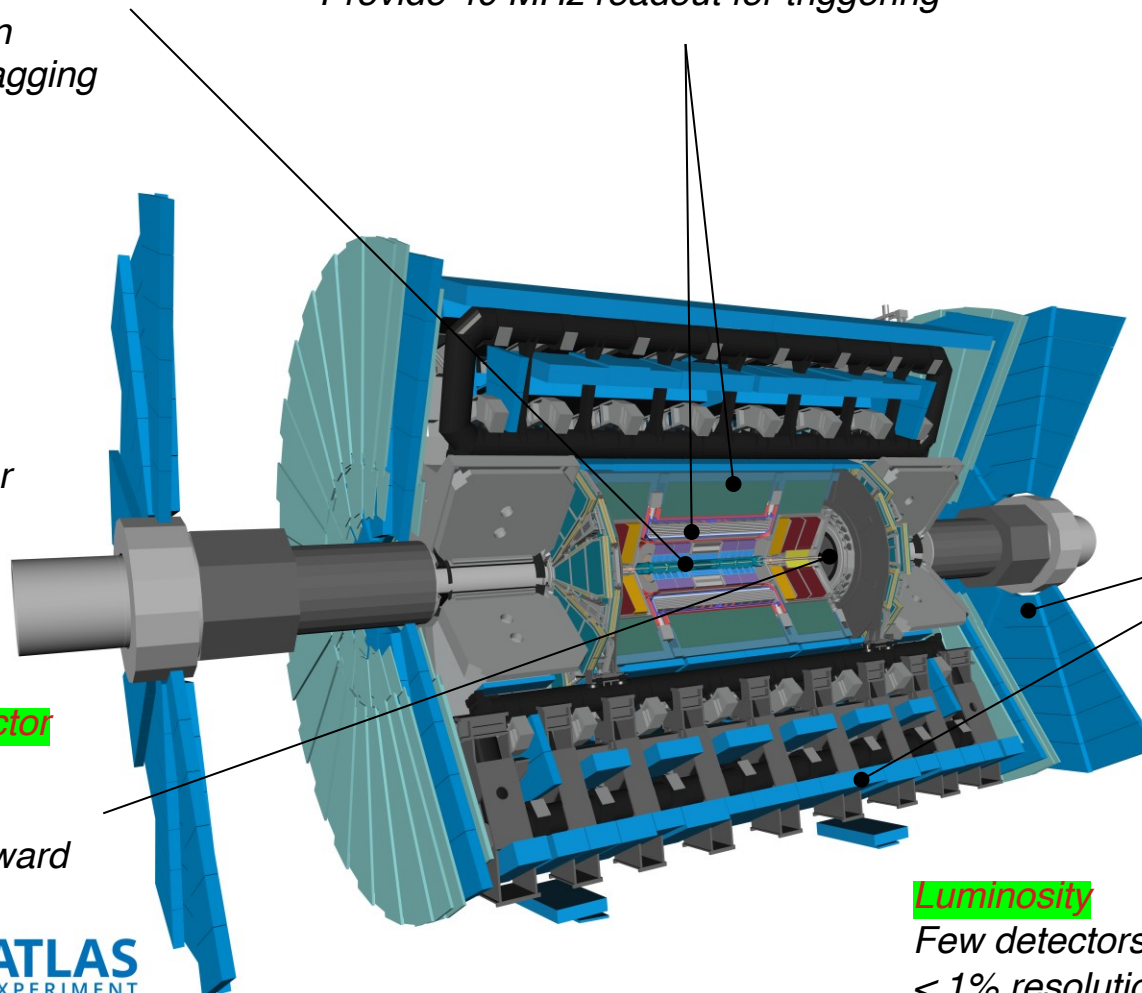
On-detector electronics upgrades of LAr and Tile Calorimeters  
Provide 40 MHz readout for triggering

## Trigger and DAQ Upgrade

Single level Trigger with 1 MHz output (x 10 current)  
Improved DAQ system with faster FPGAs

## New High Granularity Timing Detector

Precision track timing (30 ps) with LGAD in the forward region.  
Improve pile-up rejection in the forward region



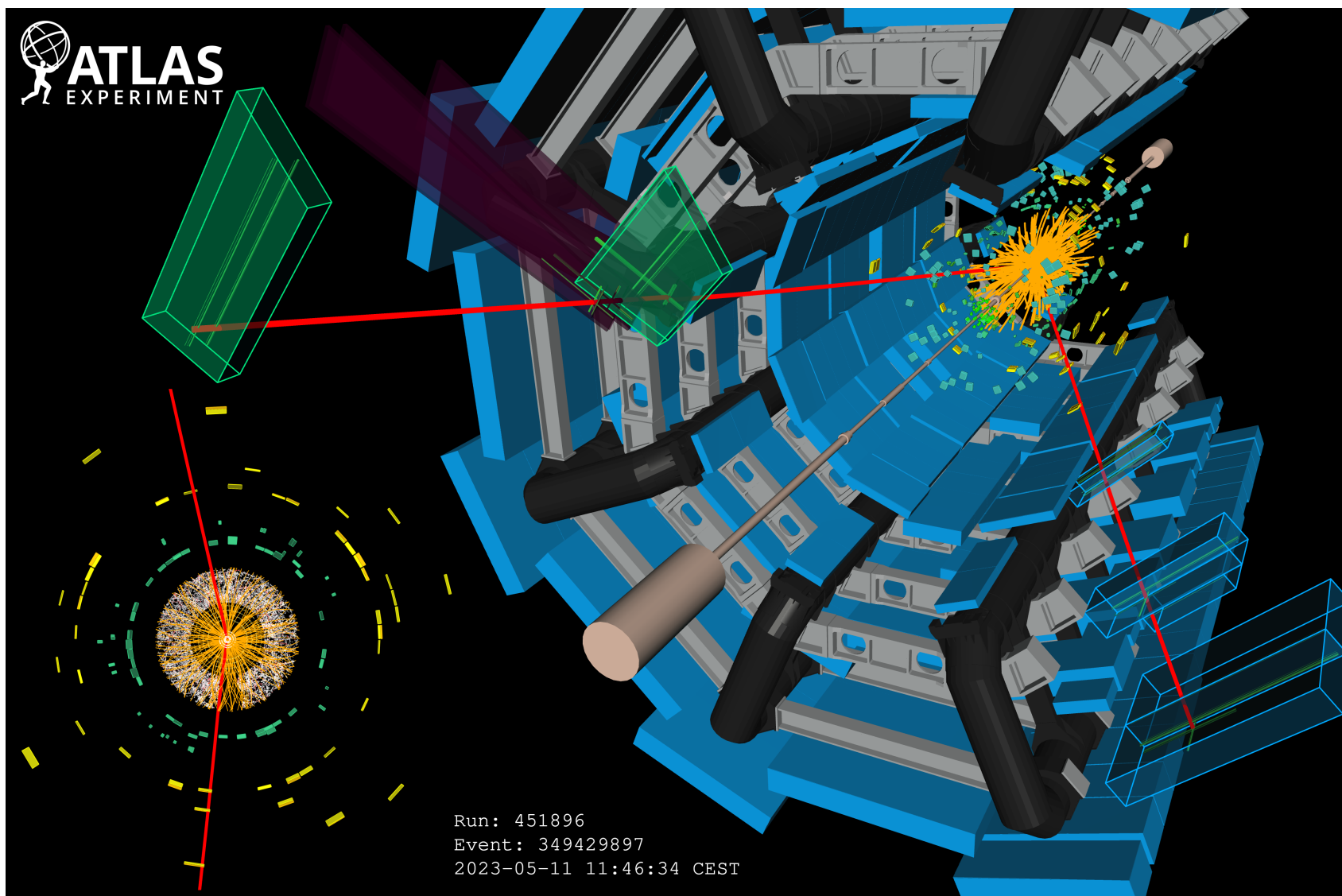
## Muon Detector

Upgrade of the detector electronics for new T/DAQ system  
Upgrade of inner barrel chambers with new RPC and sMDT  
Improve trigger efficiency and momentum resolution, and reduced fakes

## Luminosity

Few detectors devoted to luminosity to get < 1% resolution as ATLAS has in Run2: LUCID-3, ITk-BCM', HGTD

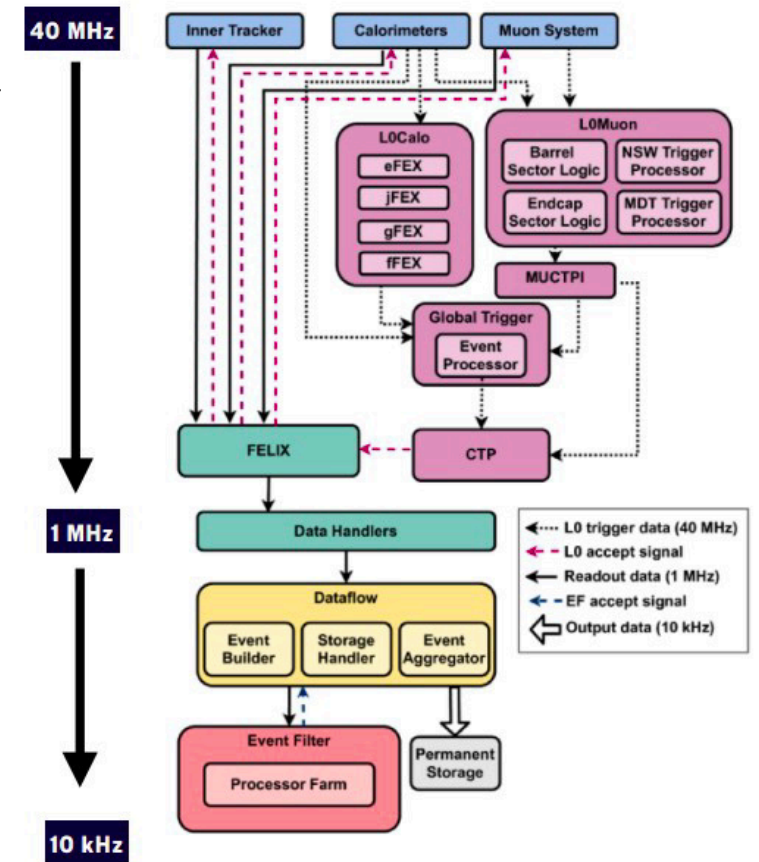
# Subsystems



# Trigger and DAQ

- Huge increase in data rates and thus data throughput, bringing extra complexity!
- **TDAQ has 3 systems, updates**
  - **Hardware based Level-0:** Trigger data input at 40 MHz from Calorimeters and Muons.
    - Output Rate of L0Accept 1 MHz (100 kHz in Run3), latency 10  $\mu$ s (2.5  $\mu$ s in Run3)
    - Exploits full detector granularity with new Global Trigger component
  - **DAQ updates**
    - Completes event-data from all detectors at 1MHz
    - To achieve the requested **data throughput**, completely new architecture based on custom PCIe FPGA cards (FELIX) instead of VME based readout boards.
      - This evolution has started already in Phase-I.
  - **Software based Event Filter** (High-Level trigger):
    - Output Rate 10 kHz (currently 3 kHz)
    - Extended tracking range fully exploiting ITk, improved muon trigger efficiency
    - For the Event Filter use commercial hardware, either pure software solution, or GPU or FPGA card acceleration (under evaluation).

New TDAQ architecture

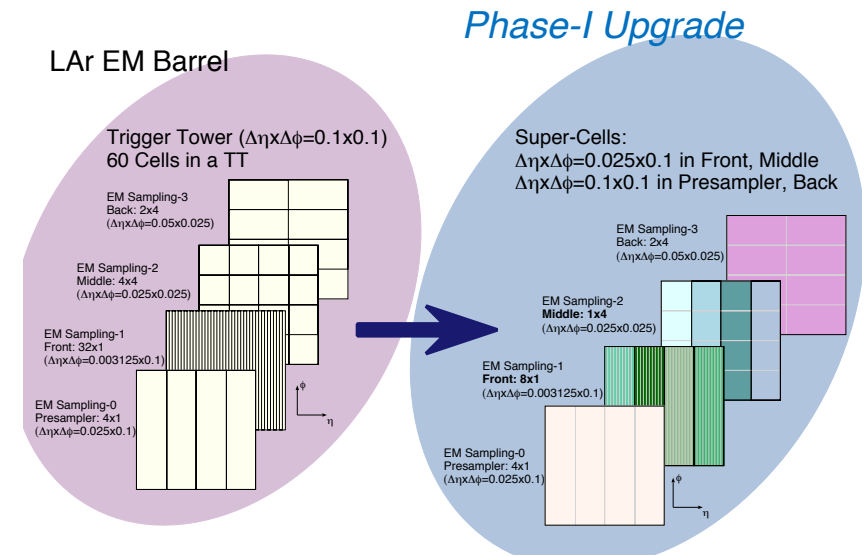


FELIX Prototype



# Electromagnetic Calorimeter

- **General for Calorimeters**
  - New on-detector and off-detector electronics
  - Continuous readout at 40 MHz (no on-detector buffering)
  - Full digital input to ATLAS trigger system
- **LAr upgrade happens in two stages:**
  - Phase-I: Trigger digitization and processing, now in operation.
  - Phase-II: Calibration, digitization and signal processing for energy reconstruction
- **On-detector**
  - New high precision frontend electronics aiming at 16-bit dynamic range and a linearity better than 0.1 %.
  - New ASICs (ADC, calibration DAC & pulser)
- **Off-detector**
  - ATCA boards for waveform feature extraction (E, time) with a total bandwidth of 345 Tbps



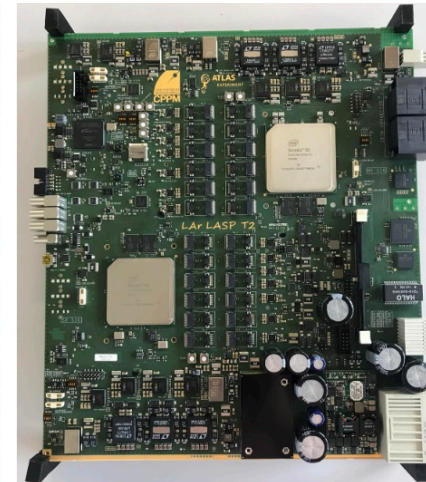
*FEB2 prototype*

Pre-production wafers of FE Board ASICs received



*LASP demonstrator*

under test



# Hadronic Calorimeter

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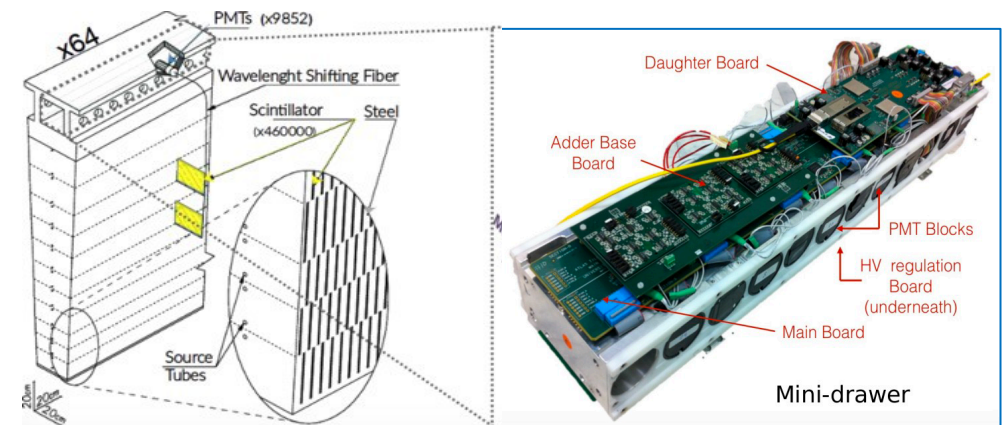
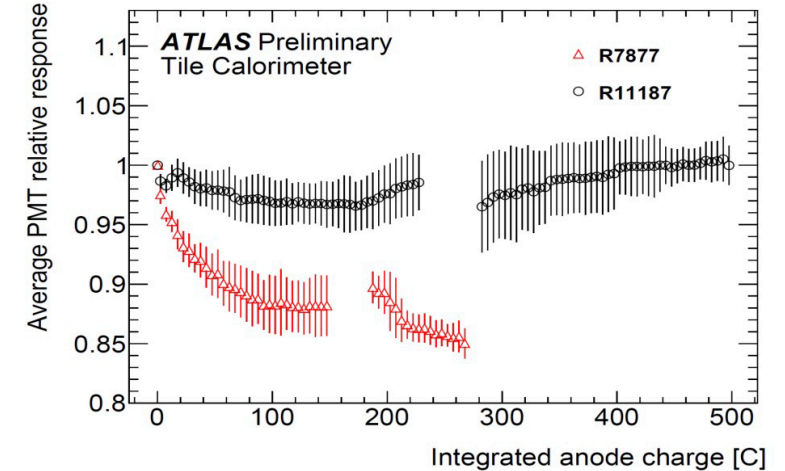
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- **Tile Calorimeter:**

- New modular mechanical design for **better accessibility and maintenance** and increasing redundancy.
- Replacement of the most **exposed PMTs** (about 10%).
- Replacement of **passive PMT HV-dividers** by active dividers for better response stability.
- **Phase-II demonstrator** installed (July 2019) in ATLAS and is taking data during Run 3.
- On-detector electronics at advanced stage, production ongoing.

*PMT stability vs integrated charge*

*New vs old*

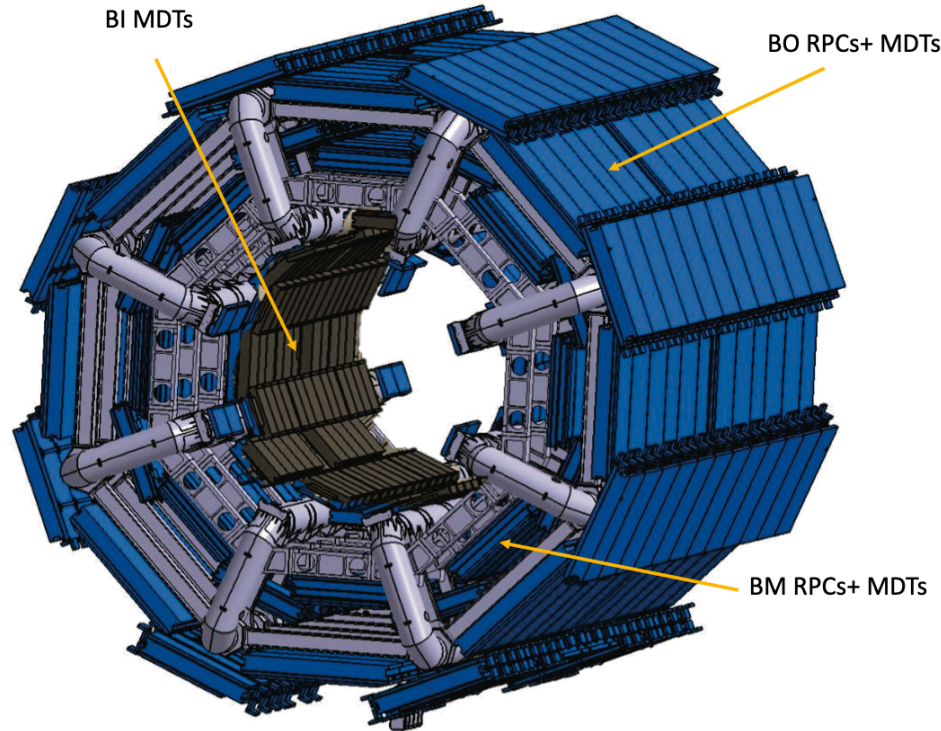
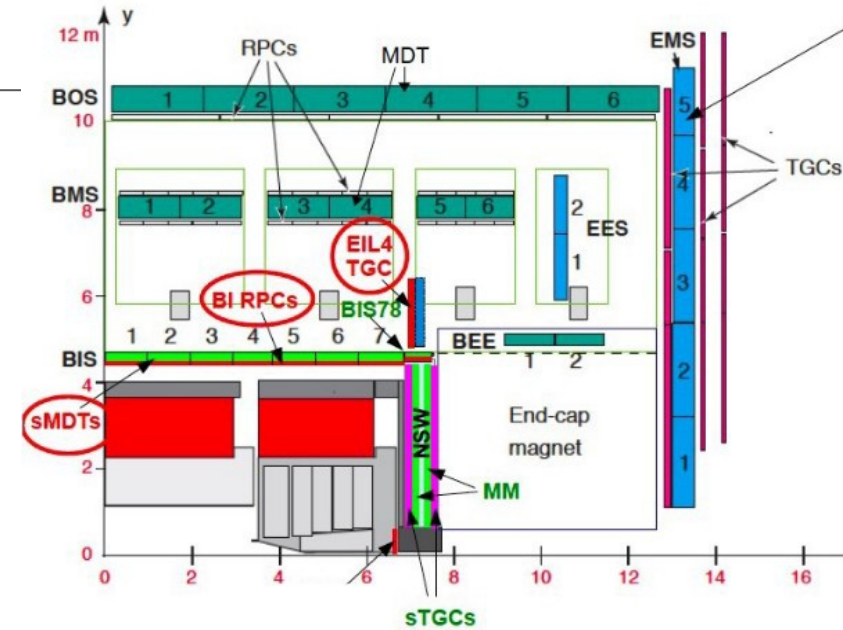


*New modular mechanics*

# Muons Spectrometer

MDT: Monitored Drift Chambers  
 RPC: Resistive Plate Chambers  
 TGC: Thin Gap Chamber

- Upgrade readout/trigger electronics
  - all hit data is sent off detector to trigger logic boards with L0 trigger rate of 1 MHz at new latency (10  $\mu$ s)
  - New: **MDT** data be included in L0 trigger.



## Additional Barrel Layers of sMDT, RPC, and TGC

- New **RPC** triplets in the inner layer (to improve trigger coverage and efficiency)
- New **sMDT** BIS chambers with smaller diameter (to make space for the RPC)
- New **EIL4 TGC** chambers (to improve trigger rejection)

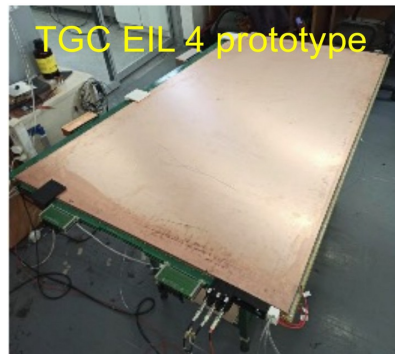
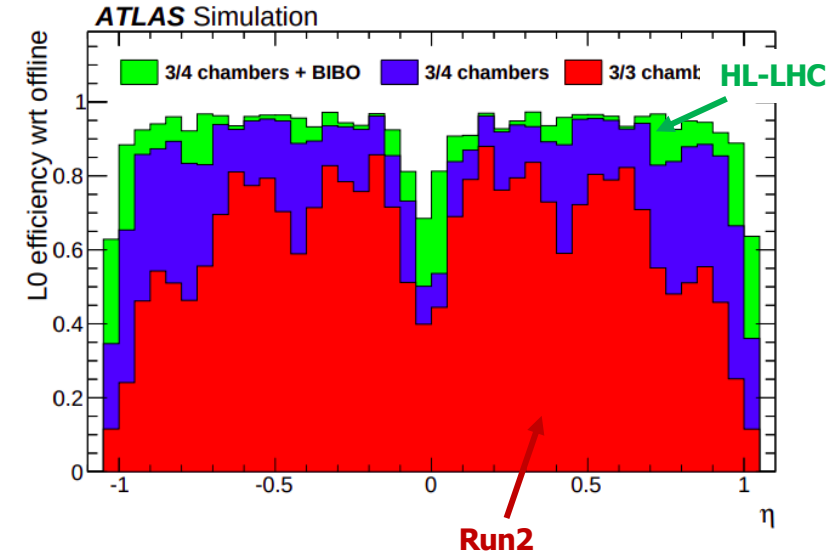
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## Current status

- sMDT production finished, chambers at CERN for integration.
- RPC gas volume production is restored at vendor after addressing gas leaks related to not optimal design.
- RPC FE electronics (ASIC and DCT) decision to be taken after completing RPC+ FE electronics + Cable + DCT tests.
- Production of TGC (EIL4) and TGC electronics is moving along.

L0 efficiency x acceptance  
for reconstructed muons  $p_T > 25$  GeV



RPC prototype

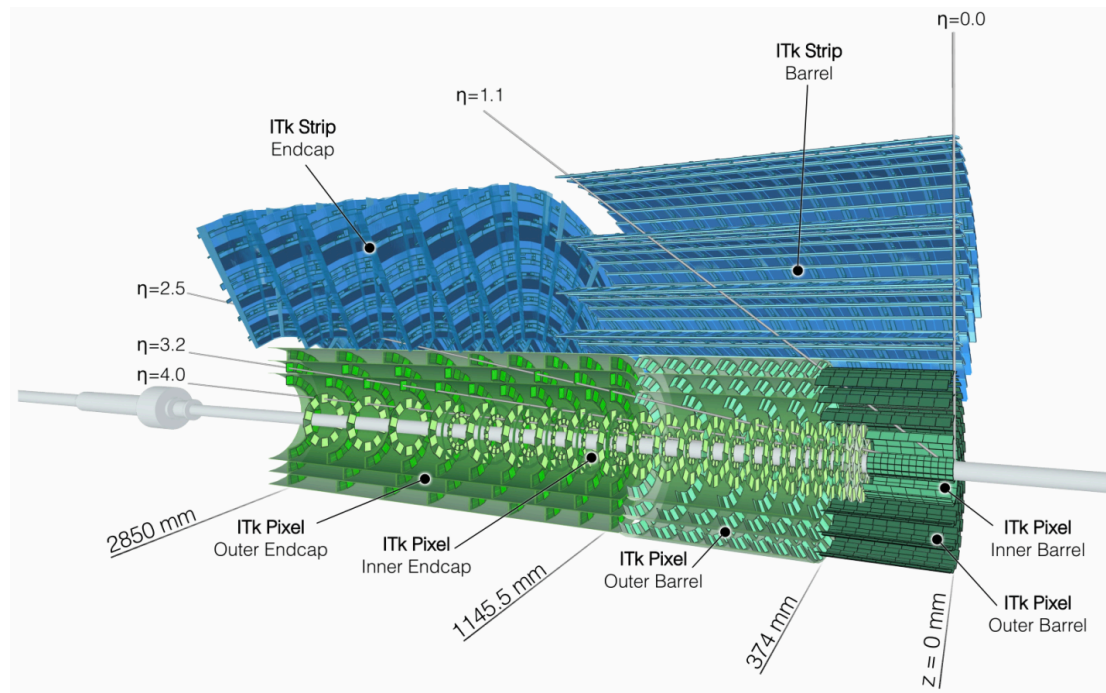


sMDT



# A new tracker system: ITk

- Complete replacement of the current Inner Detector with an all-silicon detector in 2T magnetic field.



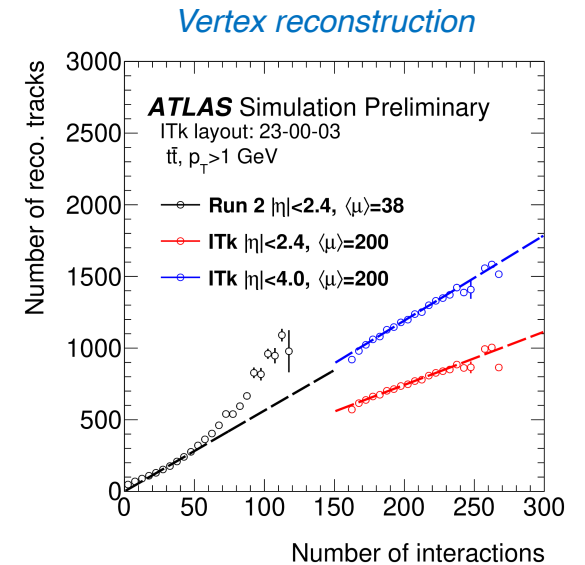
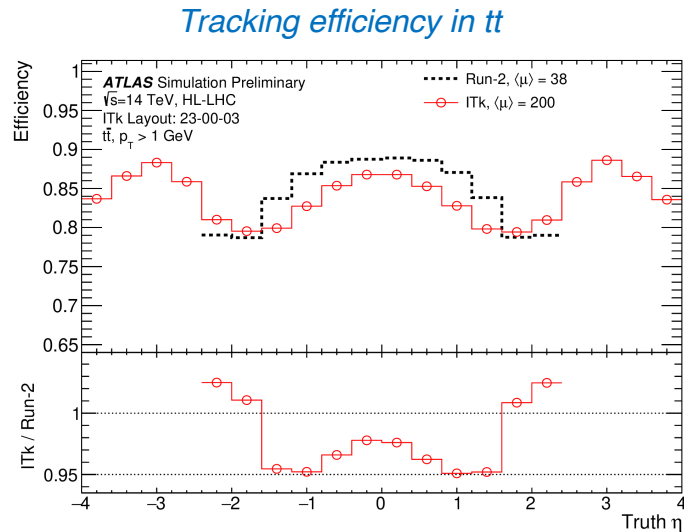
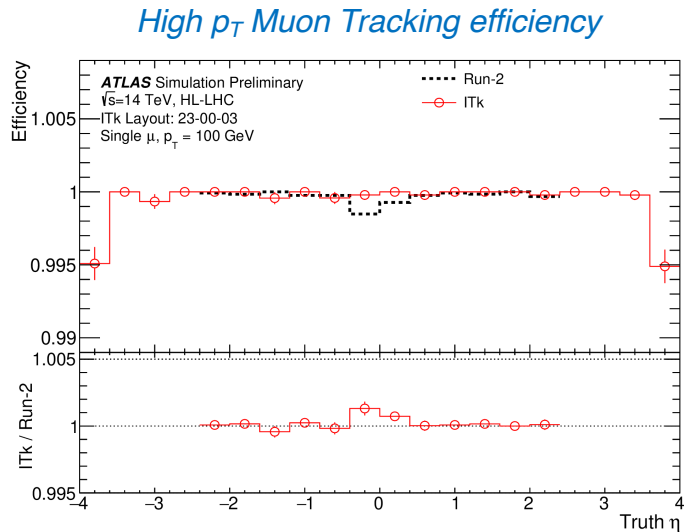
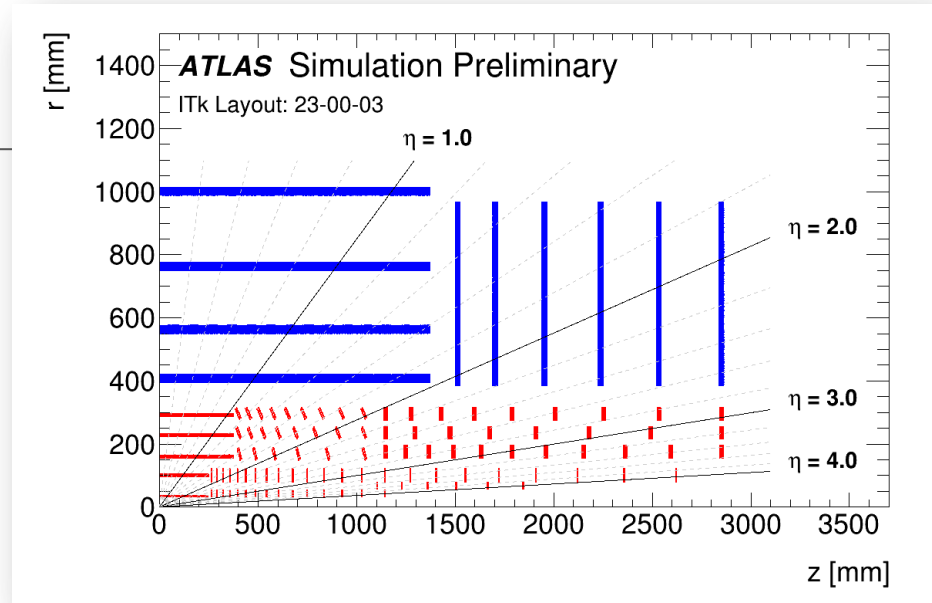
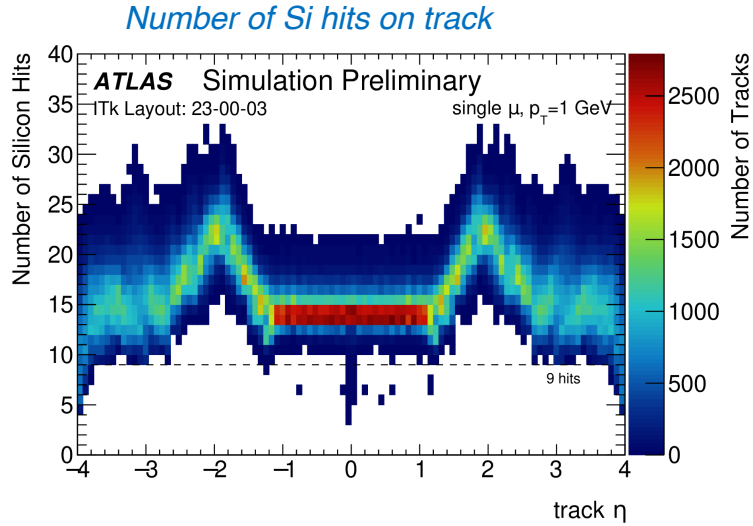
- 4 **strip** and 5 **pixel** barrel layers + 2x6 **strip disks** and several **pixel ring** layers
- Overall dimensions:  $\sim 6$  m length and 2 m diameter.
- Angular coverage increased from  $|\eta| = 2.5$  to 4

	Surface [m <sup>2</sup> ]	# Channels	# modules
<b>Strip</b>	165	60 M	18 k
<b>Pixel</b>	13	5.1 G	9.2 k

- Overall significant improvement thanks to:
  - Reduced material budget  $\rightarrow$  minimize material interactions
  - Finer segmentation  $\rightarrow$  improved resolutions
  - Increase in overall hit counts, at least 9 silicon hits per track, and improved hermeticity  $\rightarrow$  tighter track selection

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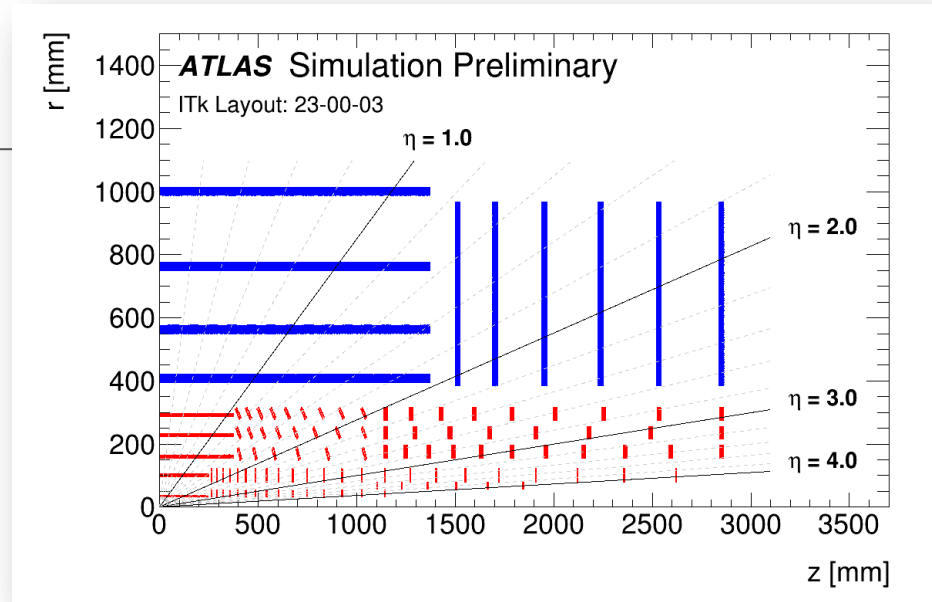
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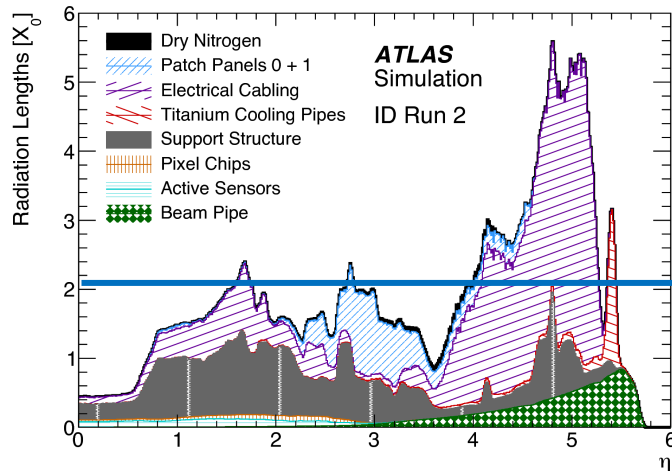
# A new tracker system: ITk

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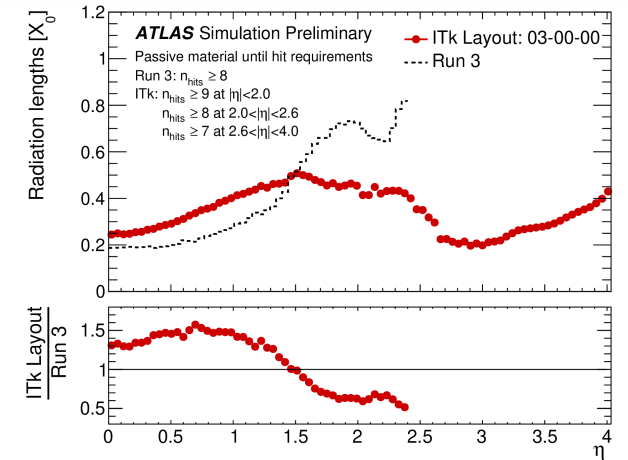
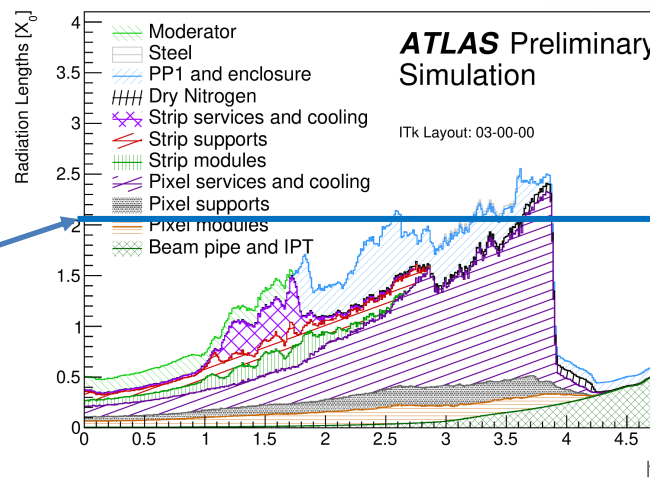
- Reduce the material as far as possible
  - Evaporative CO<sub>2</sub> cooling system with titanium pipes
  - Light carbon structures (mechanical stability) and radiation-hard
  - Usage of optical links wherever possible
  - Reduction of services for the detector



Material thickness in Radiation lengths



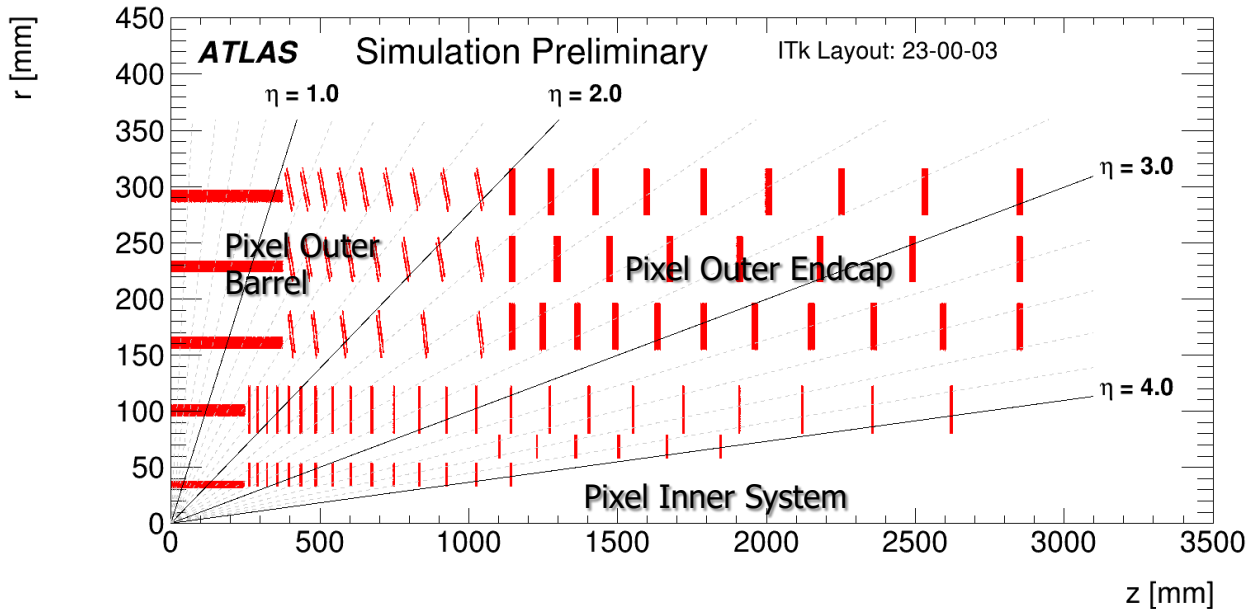
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Material thickness in radiation lengths ( $X_0$ ) seen by particles until reaching the minimum number of hits required for track reconstruction (at least 8 silicon hits on a track in Run3, while the ITk reconstruction requires at least 9 hits for  $|\eta| < 2.0$ , 8 for  $|\eta| < 2.6$  and 7 otherwise).

# ITk Pixel

- General characteristics:
  - Organized as **three sub-systems**:
    - Inner system (IS) will be **replaced** at half lifetime due to radiation hardness.
    - **IS** built in US, Outer Endcap **OEC** in UK/Italy, Outer Barrel **OB** integrated at CERN with parts from France, Germany, Japan, Switzerland.



- Status of the project:
  - Preproduction completed for the majority of the objects ...

Area	PDR	Prototyping	FDR	Preproduction	PRR	Production
Planar Si sensors	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
3D Si Sensors	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
FE-ASIC	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Hybridization	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming
Module Assembly	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming
On-detector Services	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming
Off-detector Services	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming
Data Transmission	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming
Bare Local Supports	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming
Loaded Local Supports	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming
Global Mechanics	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming
Integration	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming
Power Supplies	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Upcoming	Upcoming

Complete Ongoing Upcoming

# ITk Pixel

## Sensors - all in production

- Pixel cell size is  $100 \times 25 \mu\text{m}^2$  in L0 barrel and  $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$  (everywhere else)
- 3D sensors in innermost layer – due to better radiation hardness. Single tile.
  - SINTEF (Nw)  $50 \times 50$  and FBK (Italy)  $100 \times 25$  and  $50 \times 50$
  - Radiation tolerant up to  $\sim 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- Planar n-in-p sensors in other layers:  $100 \mu\text{m}$  thick in L1,  $150 \mu\text{m}$  thick elsewhere. Quad tiles.
  - HPK (Japan):  $\sim 90\%$  of  $150 \mu\text{m}$
  - MICRON (UK): 10% of  $150 \mu\text{m}$  and  $60\%$  of  $100 \mu\text{m}$  [cancelled due to leakage-current stability issue  $\rightarrow$  Fewer  $100 \mu\text{m}$  sensors required due to switch to  $150 \mu\text{m}$  in Layer-1 rings]
  - FBK (Italy): 40% of  $100 \mu\text{m}$

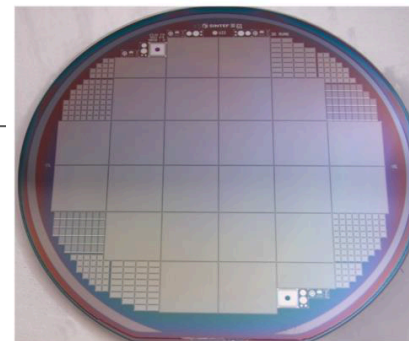
## Front-End ASIC: ITkPixV2 in production

- Largely delivered. Wafer testing ongoing with high yield ( $\sim 90\%$ )

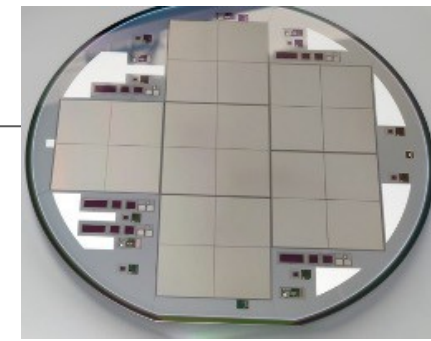
## Hybridization:

- 2 out of 4 hybridization vendors (HPK and IZM) are in production
- Two more have technical issues and we working with them: Advafab and Leonardo.

Sintef 3D wafer

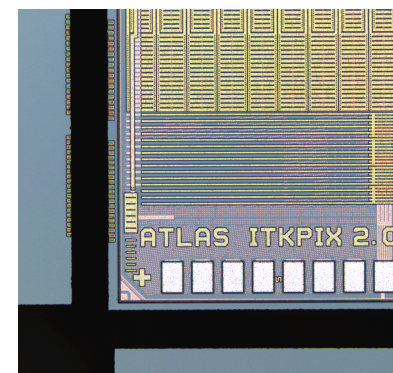


HPK planar wafer



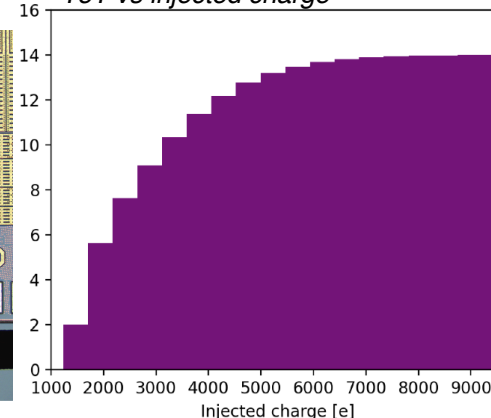
ITkPixV2

Picture of a corner



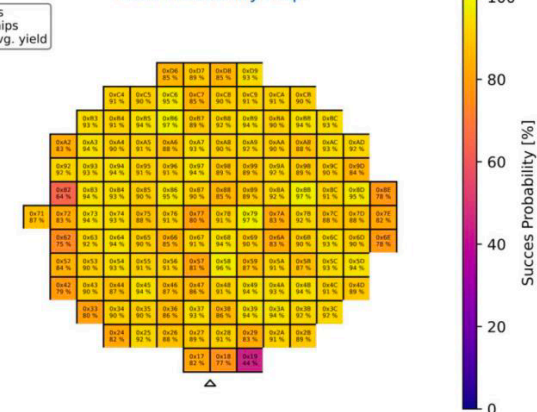
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ToT vs injected charge



- 96 Wafers  
12576 Chips  
89.7 % avg. yield

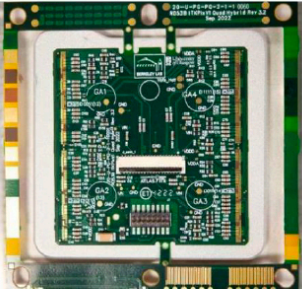
Yield Probability Map



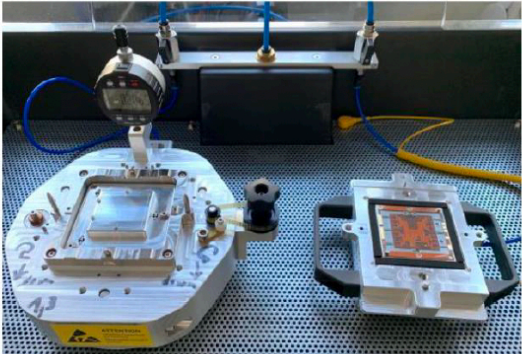
# ITk Pixel

## Quad Modules – Outer System (L1-L2-L3-L4)

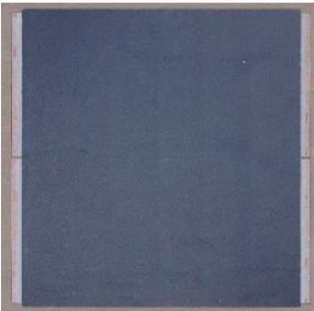
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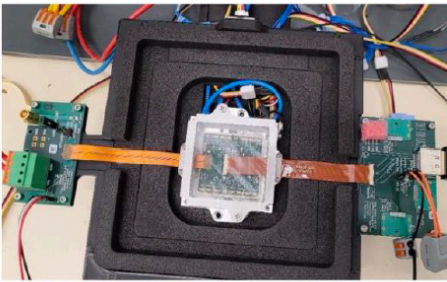
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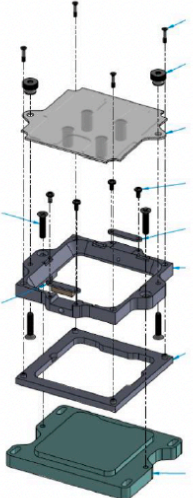
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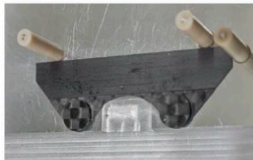
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Carrier



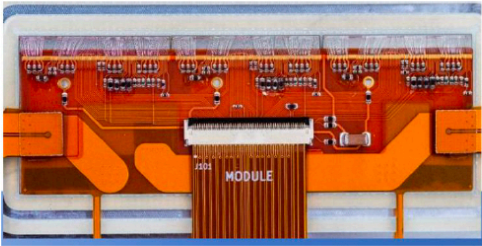
OB wire bonding protection



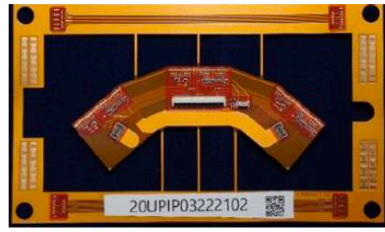
*Assembly in 16 sites and Test in 23 sites, organized in national clusters*

## Triplet Modules – Innermost layer

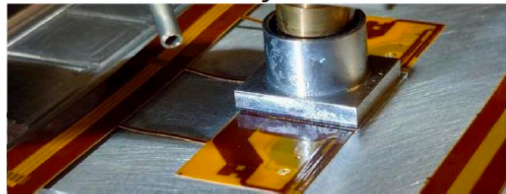
Linear Triplet




Flex Triplet




Assembly in BCN



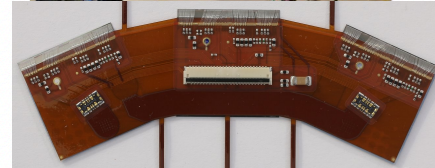
Bare Modules



Assembly in Oslo



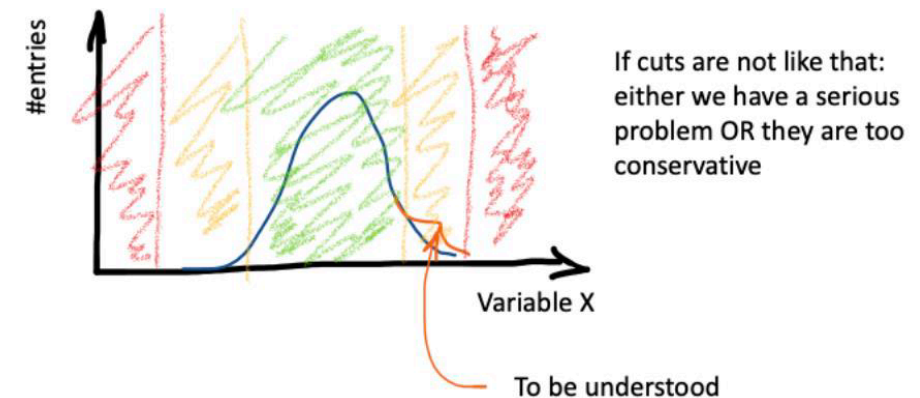
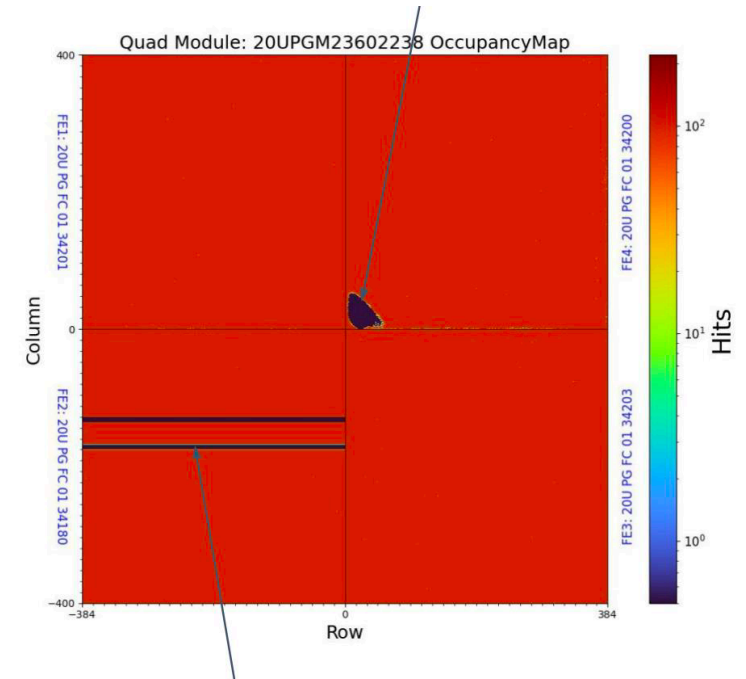
Ring triplet in Genova



*Assembly in 4 sites and Test in 7 sites, in Italy, Spain and Norway*

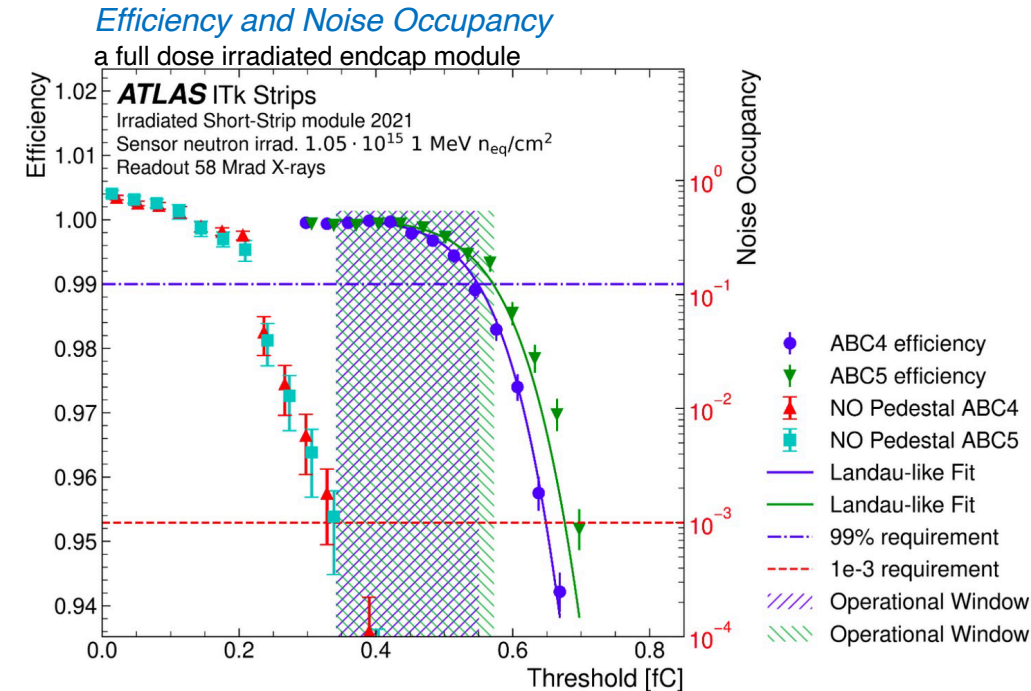
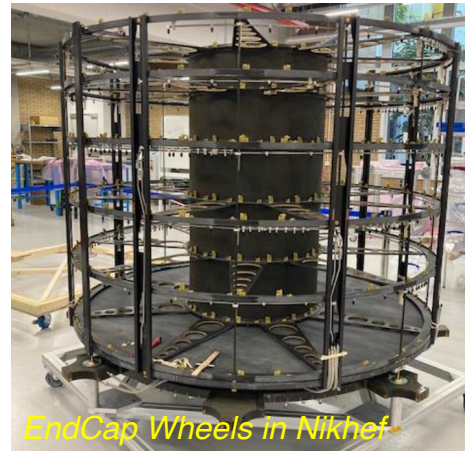
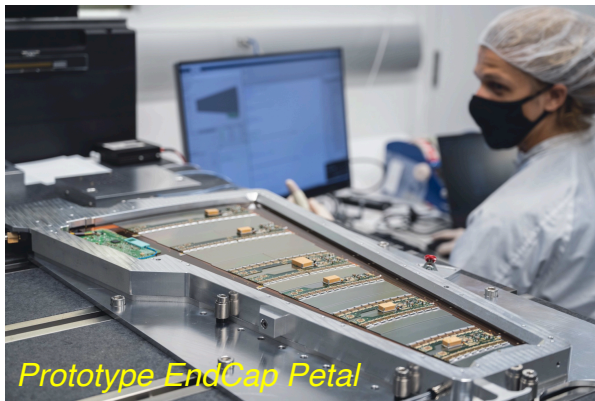
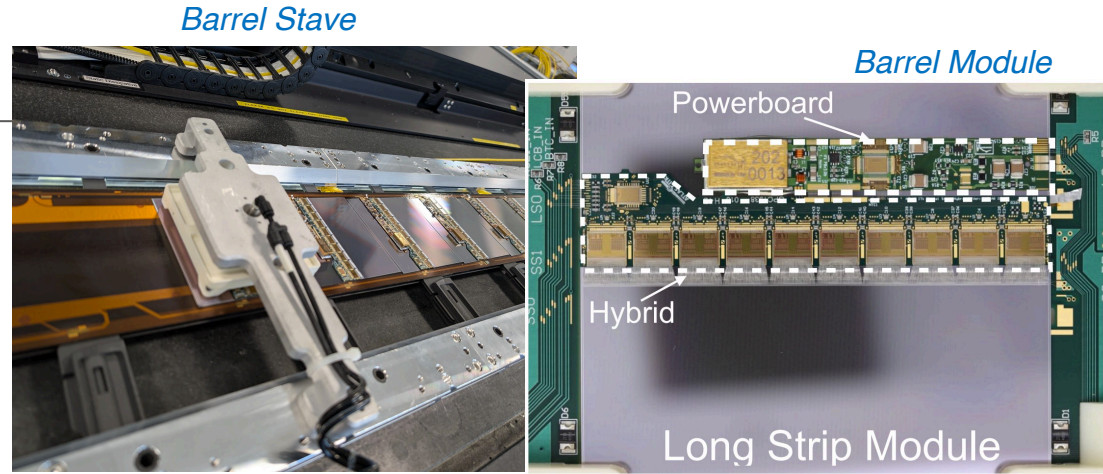
# ITk Pixel

- Modules is entering production with some concerns
- The “**Core Column (CC) Issue**” refers to the observation that unless specific core columns (1 core column is about 2% of the Chip) are disabled the chip will malfunction when operated → **Task force** including CMS and RD53 members
  - Rate is lower (~9% for V2 vs. ~25% for V1) but not negligible
  - **Preliminary conclusion:** The **CC issue** is introduced via **mechanical damage** to the chip during the hybridization process (dicing/flip-chip?), that leads the complex circuitry to fail in a severe way.
- Quantify the yield of the module production → **Yield Task Force.**
  - Review the cuts applied in the module QC, and re-establish the ones deemed important for the final module operation. This review affects cuts on bare modules, assembled modules and electrical tests.
  - For the latter, needed to determine procedure to qualify how a module will work in a SP, without operating it in a SP chain.



# ITk Strip

- General characteristics:
  - Organized as two systems (Barrel and Endcaps)
    - Strip subsystem covering up to  $|\eta| < 2.7$  with 4 Barrel layers 6 End-cap disks
  - Almost 3 times larger than current one in terms of area and 5 times as number of modules to be built.
  - Radiation hardness up to  $1.6E15 n_{eq}/cm^2$
- Status:
  - Sensors and ASICs, mechanics in production
  - Modules production halted for a long time
    - Issue with **large noise when operating cold** slowed down the preproduction for several months, finally understood as caused by vibrations of capacitors on power boards.



n-in-p sensors,  $\sim 320 \mu m$  thickness by HPK;  
8 different sensor types (2 barrel, 6 end-cap)

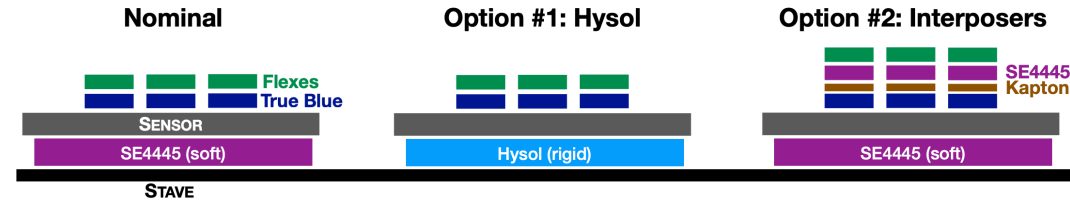


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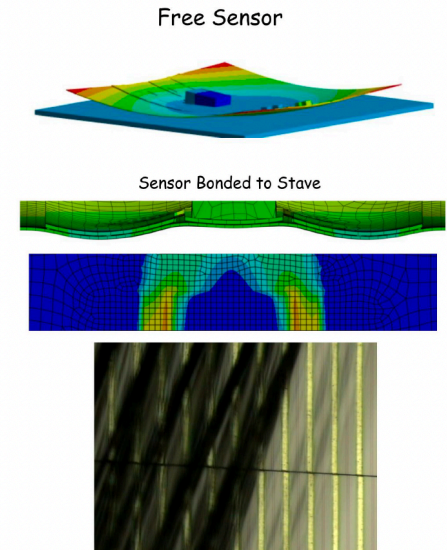
## • Early Breakdown (Cracking)

- Modules are silicon sensors glued to carbon fiber local supports below and PCBs (both readout and power) above. Upon deep cooling stress builds due to mismatching coefficients of thermal expansion → physically crack sensor, *only happens when sensor is constrained both to flexes above and stave/petal below.*



## • The interposer decision.

- Decouple the PCB from the sensor mechanically with an interposed layer (Kapton and soft SE4445 glue) → Requires adding a delicate step to a critical activity → cause for production delays.
- 1.5 interposed Staves and 1 interposed petal have been constructed and no cracks are observed down to  $-70^{\circ}\text{C}$  /  $-55^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Barrel module **production relaunched** in November; Endcap is still evaluating a glue-only solution (*interposers for endcap modules is far more complex*).

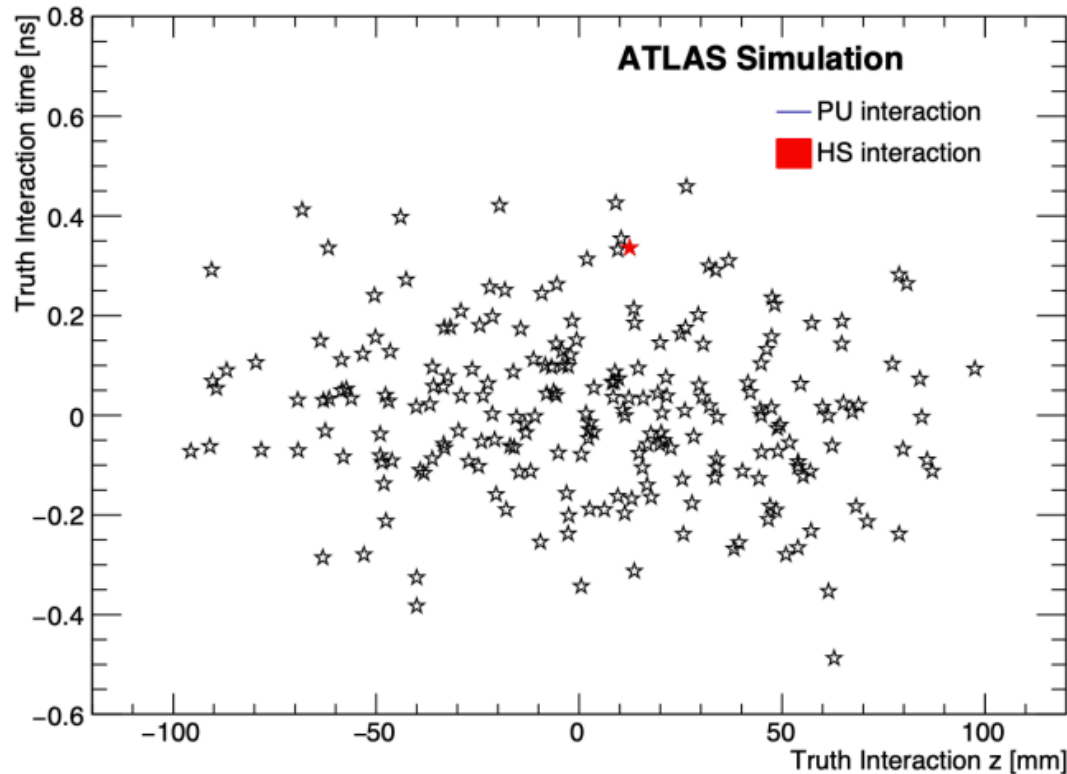
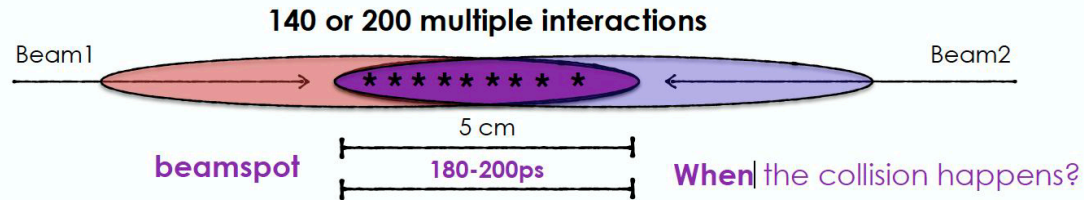


# *ITk integration being prepared at CERN*



- Outer Cylinder received, assembled and delivered to SR1 in June
- Polymoderator tiles installed in July
- Layer 3 inserted July, Layer 2 and all mount brackets for L3/L2 support installed in September

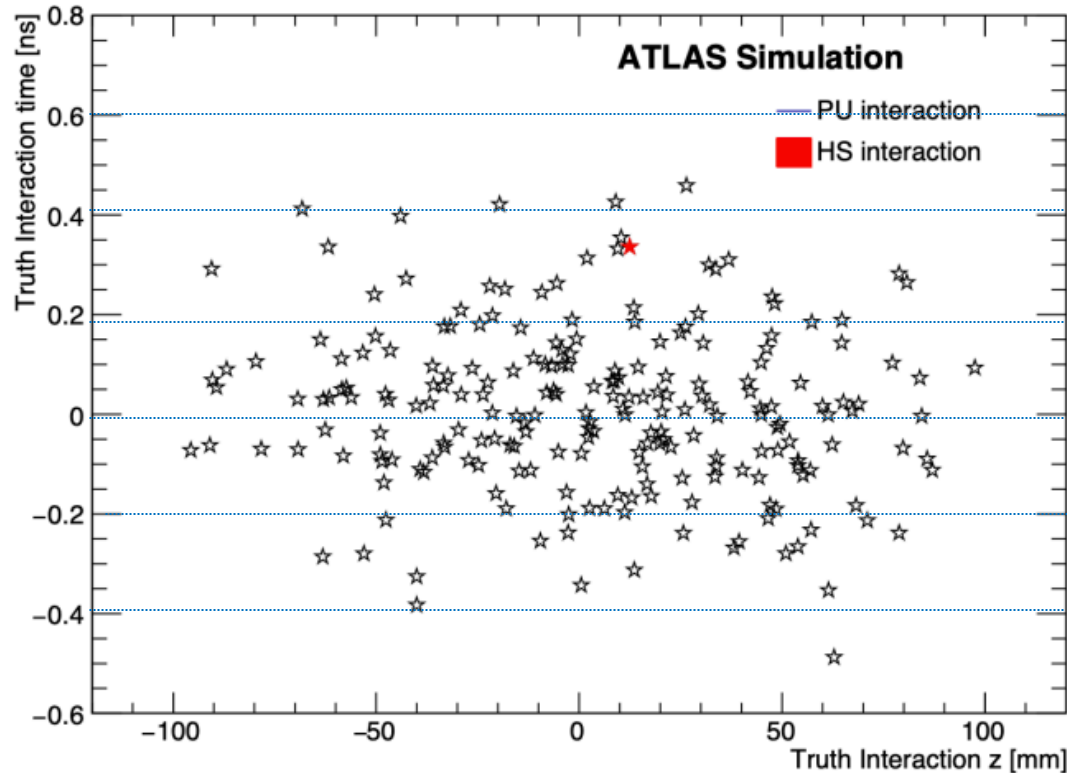
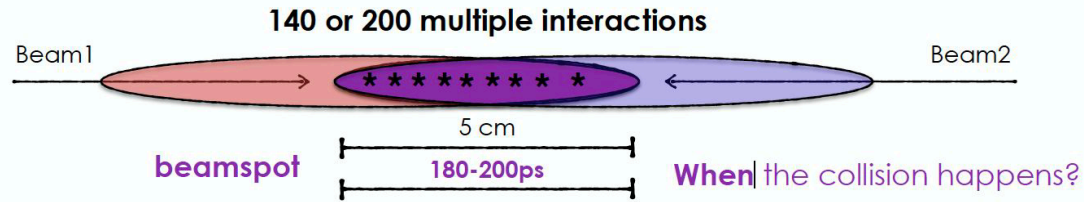
# Adding time into the game!



Longitudinal Primary Vertex distribution vs time

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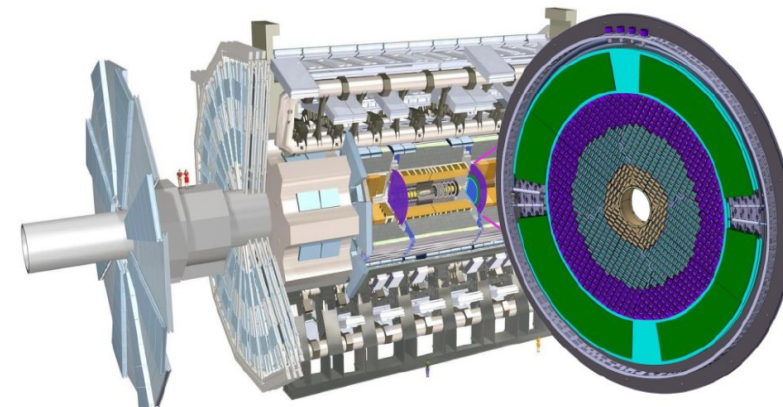


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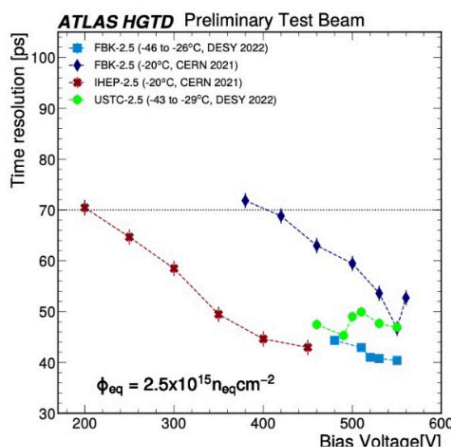
- Inside a bunch crossing, interactions spread longitudinally but also in time.
- In very high pileup density, timing can be exploited to resolve p-p interactions, i.e., to help associate tracks to vertex.
- Therefore, assigning a **time to tracks with a good resolution** allows to better reconstruct and identify pile-up vertices.

# High Granularity Timing Detector (HGTD)

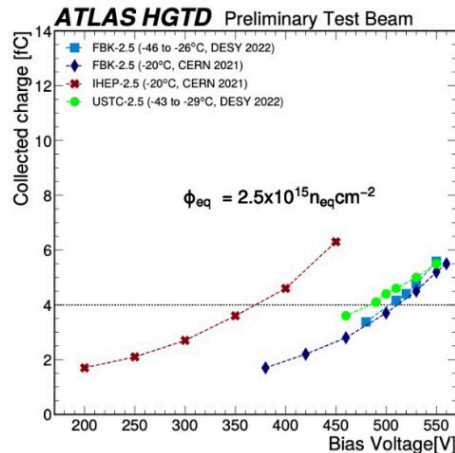
- HGTD designed to improve ATLAS performance in the **forward region**.
  - Provides timing information to tracks
  - improves in areas where resolution of tracker-only tracks is degraded
  - Also provides **luminosity** information.
- Silicon detector modules mounted on disks.
  - Two disks/side, two sensor layers/disk → total **4 layers/side**
  - Target **time resolution: 30-50 ps/track** up to 4000 ifb
- Disk replacement plan to maintain  $2.5E15 n_{eq}/cm^2$  level to maintain adequate time resolution.



at  $|z|=3.5$  m in front of the LAr EndCap  
at  $r$  in (12, 64) cm →  $2.4 < |\eta| < 4.0$



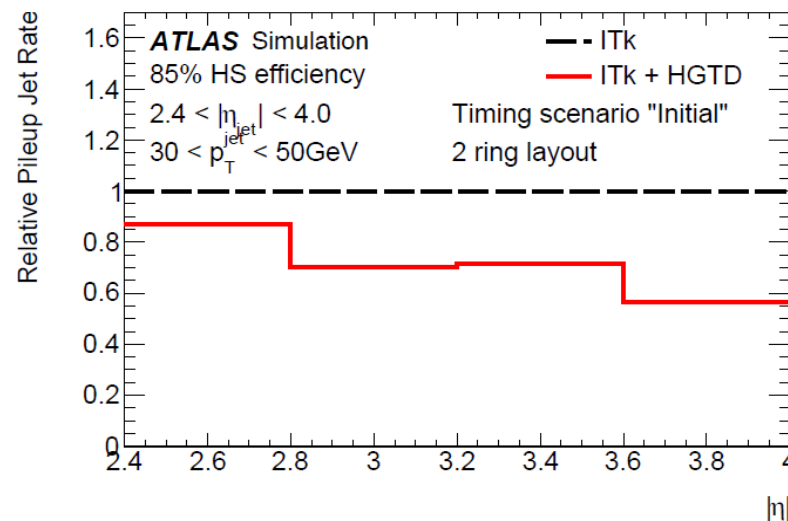
Hit Time resolution vs Bias



Collected charge vs Bias

HGTD Plots

Relative Pile up Jet rate  
Without or with HGTD



# High Granularity Timing Detector (HGTD)

## Sensors:

- Low Gain Avalanche Detectors (**LGAD**) arrays with pad size  $1.3 \times 1.3 \text{ mm}^2$  to keep occupancy low ( $< 10 \%$  in inner most radius)
  - Single-event burnout (SEB) was observed on LGAD sensors during beam tests. Mitigated by **carbon-infused sensors** (can be operated at decreased high voltage)

## ASIC:

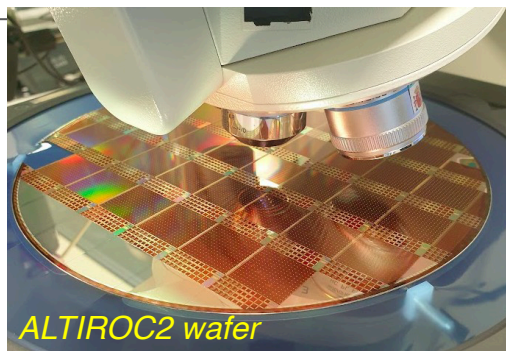
- probing of production chip ALTIROC3 ongoing

## Modules:

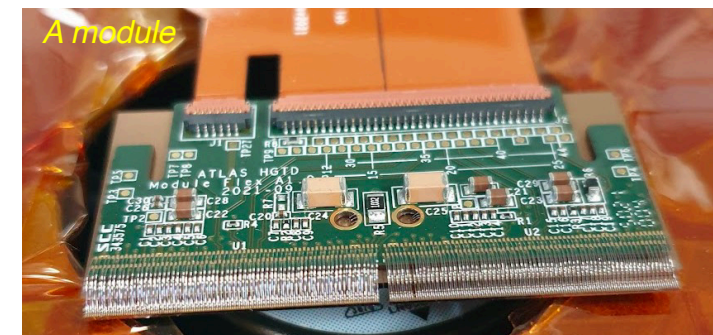
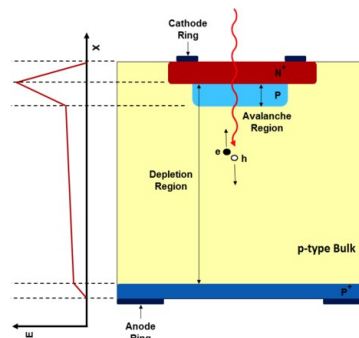
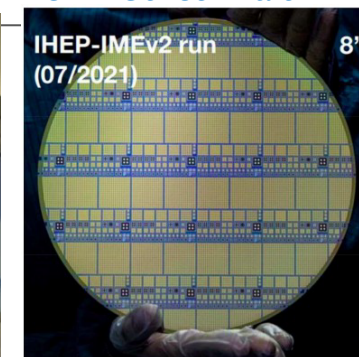
- Modules (2 ALTIROCs bump bonded to 2 LGAD sensors) have been demonstrated required resolution

## System Tests:

- Demonstrator currently testing 39 modules on cooling plate down to  $-30\text{C}$  with  $\text{CO}_2$  cooling successfully over the last several months

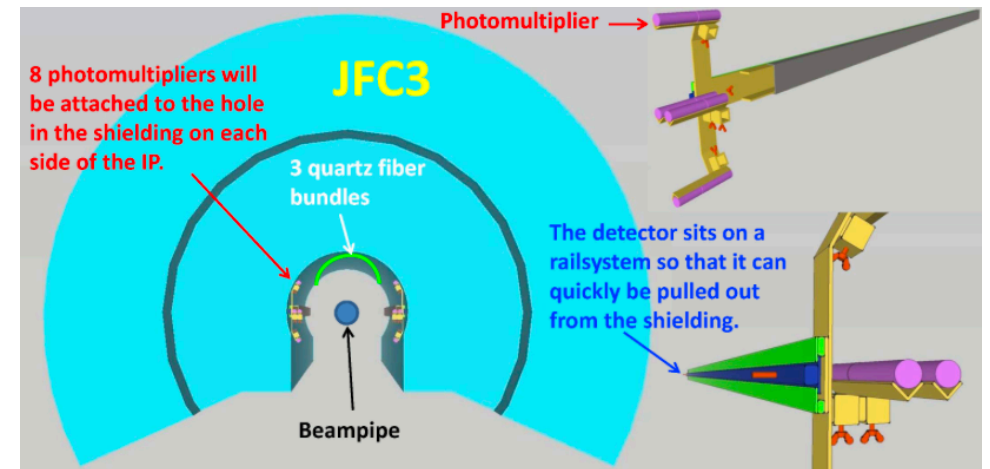


LGAD Sensor wafer



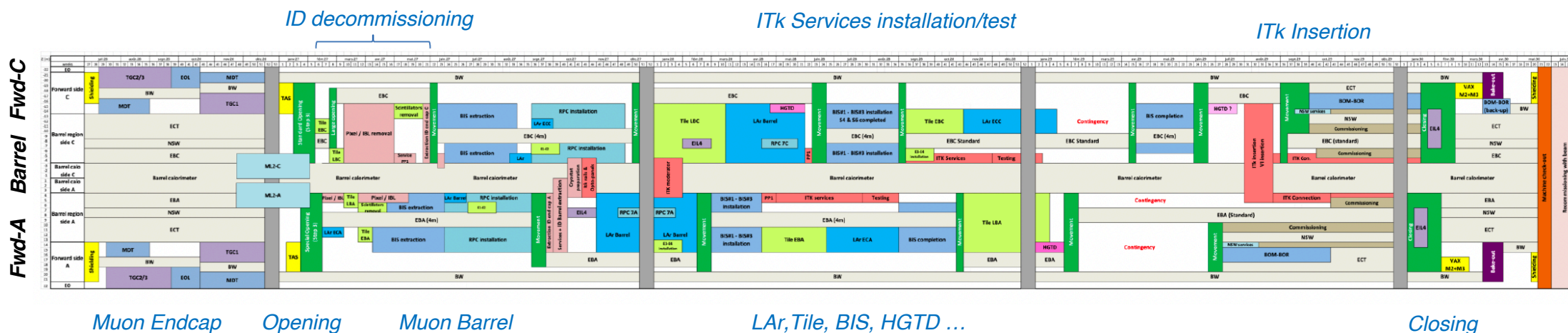
# Luminometry

- Goal is to measure luminosity with **1% accuracy** at the HL-LHC
  - Vital for precision physics measurements at the HL-LHC
  - Achieved unprecedented uncertainty 0.83 % at a hadron collider in Run 2, thanks to complementary measurements from LUCID, Inner detector and Calorimeters [back-up]
- Same strategy at HL-LHC, based on several detectors.
- New LUCID-3 to solve hit saturation that would occur, need to lower acceptance
  - Already taking data with different prototypes to find best solution for HL-LHC in terms of geometrical acceptance, radiation exposition, accessibility for replacement and maintenance)
- **HGTD** will perform luminosity measurement in highest radial locations
- **BCM'** will have dedicated thresholds for luminosity determination
- *Other R&D projects (Pixel Luminosity Ring, BMA, etc...) to add other small luminosity detectors.*



# LS3 schedule in the cavern

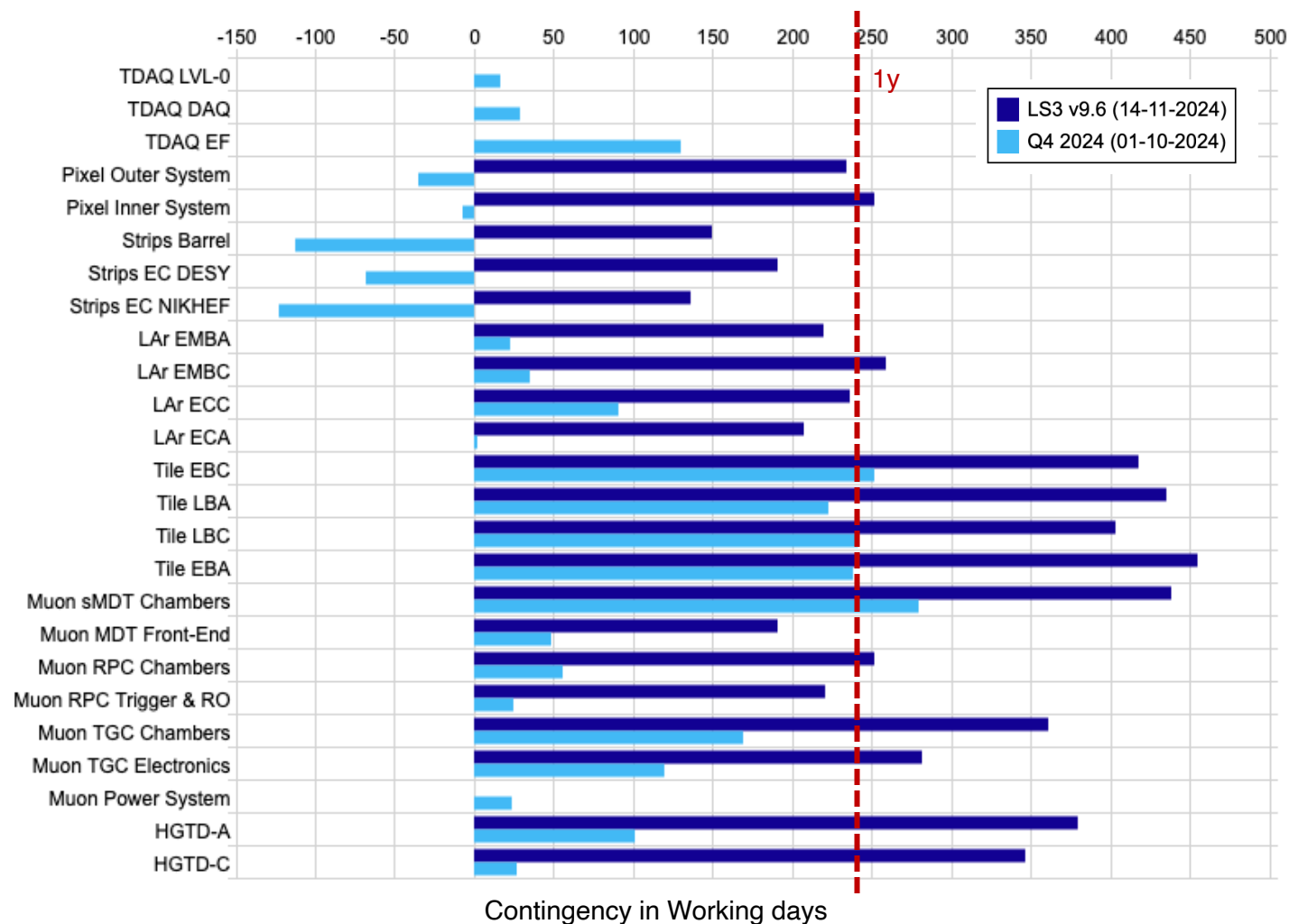
- Schedule and planning for decommissioning, installation and commission of detectors and services is within Technical Coordination responsible for activities at P1
  - 14 steps corresponding to different configurations of the detector
- New official schedule for LS3 gives us some more contingency
  - Run3 extension until end of June 2026 (+ 7.5 months) → LS3 start on June 29th, 2026
  - Closure of experimental caverns mid-May 2030 (+ 1 year)
    - Duration beam to beam: 47 months





# Critical path

- LS3 schedule determines the need-dates for the detector and their services.



Added overall ~1.5y to the Start of Run 4 schedule in the recent discussions.

It brings all the detectors in a better situation: **still challenging**, from not possible!

# Conclusions

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- ATLAS detector currently undergoing mayor upgrade to optimize the experiment for HL-LHC data taking period
  - Objective is to **maintain or improve physics performance** in view of more demanding environment. To reach the goal:
    - A main upgrade of the trigger and readout system is ongoing
    - Most electronics (DAQ and trigger systems) of the existing detectors will be upgraded to cope with the luminosity increased and increased trigger/readout rate
    - New detectors will be installed (ITk and HGTD, part of the Muon Spectrometer)
- Challenges coming from the HL-LHC are huge and complicated: some of them have been a **common effort** together with other LHC detectors.
  - This is a **good model** that will be certainly followed in future upgrade to optimize resources
- All detectors are in production, at a different level of progress. **Schedule remains a challenge**, both for **construction**, including delays from (single) vendors, as well for a very compact **installation** during the next long LHC shutdown.

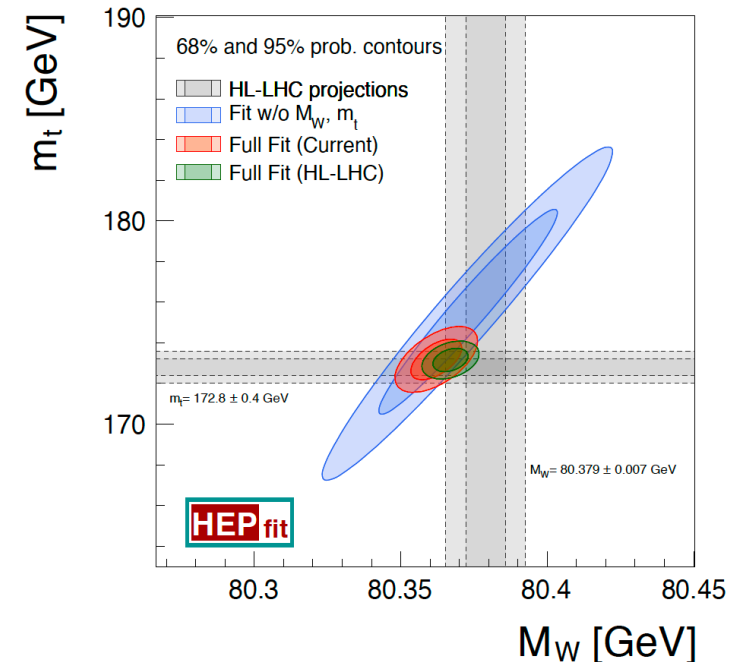
# *Additional material*

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# Physics reach at HL-LHC – Precision

- SM physics measurements such as  $m_W$ ,  $\sin^2\theta_W$ ,  $\alpha_s$ , etc. are dominated by systematics rather than by statistical uncertainties
  - difficult to estimate possible improvements
- Often the main uncertainty in these measurements are PDFs. A more focused effort to make measurement useful for the determination of PDFs at (HL-) LHC and new constraints from latest fixed target DIS experiments may indeed bring to improvements.

- $\sigma(m_W) \simeq 5 \text{ MeV}$  (CDF: 9.4 MeV)
- $\sigma(m_t) \simeq 0.2 \text{ GeV}$  (LHC: 0.6 GeV)
- $\sigma(\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^{\ell}) \simeq 10 \times 10^{-5}$  (LEP+SLD:  $16 \times 10^{-5}$ )



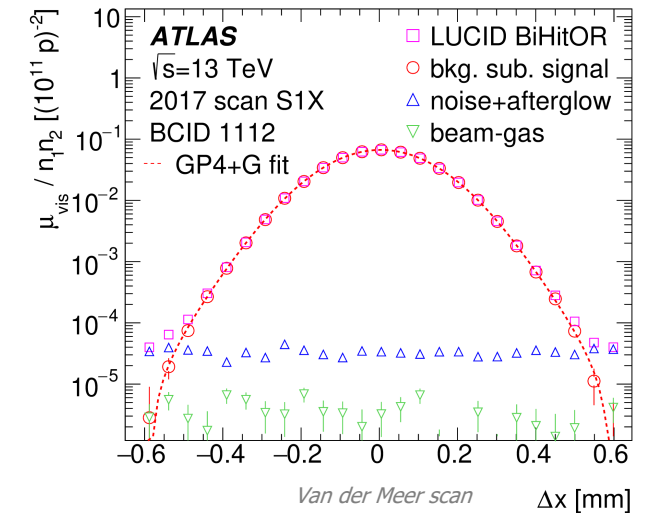
# Run-2 pp Luminosity

- **Luminosity in ATLAS**
  - Based on complementary measurements from LUCID, ID and Calos
  - Absolute calibration of LUCID from dedicated **vdM** scan sessions each year
  - Transported to physics data-taking using **track-counting** measurements
  - Stability verified using electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters

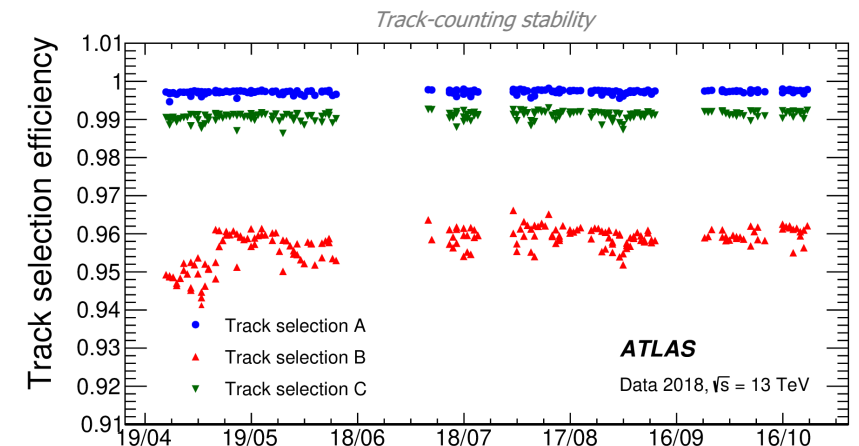
- **Final result for high pile-up sample:**

$$L_{\text{int}} = 140.1 \pm 1.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

- **Unprecedented uncertainty of 0.83%** . The most precise determination at a modern hadron collider to date
- Enables significantly more precise x-section measurements from Run-2 legacy analyses: first application will be  $\sigma(t\text{-tbar})$  to  $\sim 1.7\%$  from 2.4%



Data sample	2015	2016	2017	2018	Comb.
Integrated luminosity [ $\text{fb}^{-1}$ ]	3.24	33.40	44.63	58.79	<b>140.07</b>
Total uncertainty [ $\text{fb}^{-1}$ ]	0.04	0.30	0.50	0.64	<b>1.17</b>
Uncertainty contributions [%]:					
Subtotal vdM calibration	0.96	0.70	0.99	0.93	0.65
Calibration transfer*	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Calibration anchoring	0.22	0.18	0.14	0.26	0.13
Long-term stability	0.23	0.12	0.16	0.12	0.08
<b>Total uncertainty [%]</b>	<b>1.13</b>	<b>0.89</b>	<b>1.13</b>	<b>1.10</b>	<b>0.83</b>



# Strip

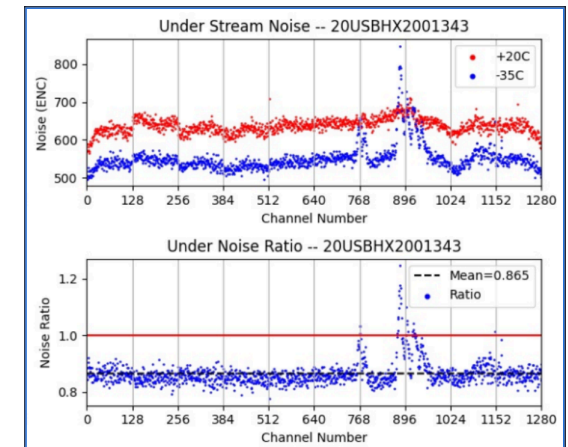
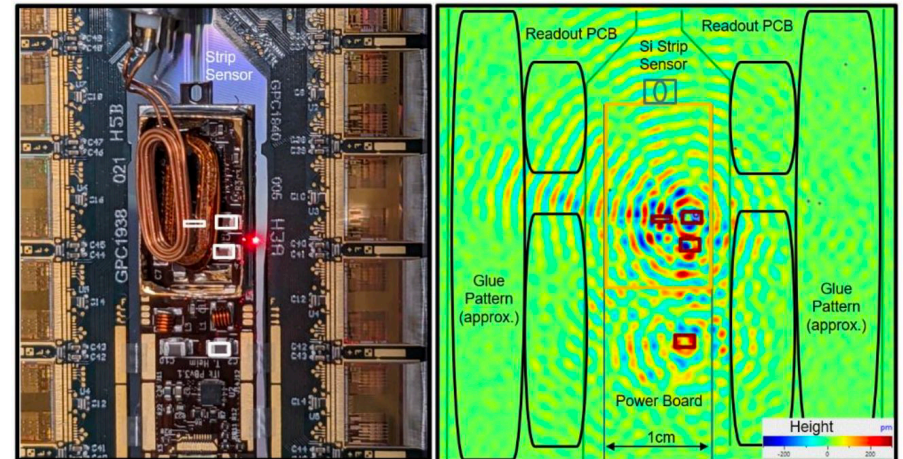
- Readiness

- Cold noise

- Noise in barrel modules at cold temperatures discovered to be due to 2MHz physical oscillation of capacitors on powerboards (coupled to the switching of the DC/DC converter) on top of the sensor.
- Great effort taken to understand this subtle mechanism and mitigate it (highly dependent on module-PCB interface glue, geometry of PCB)
- Never observed in any endcap modules. Cold noise eliminated in LS modules with glue choice, ameliorated in SS modules...
- Completely invisible in modules created with an interposing layer of kapton and soft glue between PCBs and sensor

Area	PDR	Prototyping	FDR	Preproduction	PRR	Production
Sensors	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
ASICs	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Modules	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing
EoS	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
EoS-DCDC	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Cores (B)	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Cores (EC)	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Module mounting	Complete	Complete	Complete	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing
Global Mechanics	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Services (on-detector)	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Services (off-detector)	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Power Supplies	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete

Complete Ongoing Upcoming

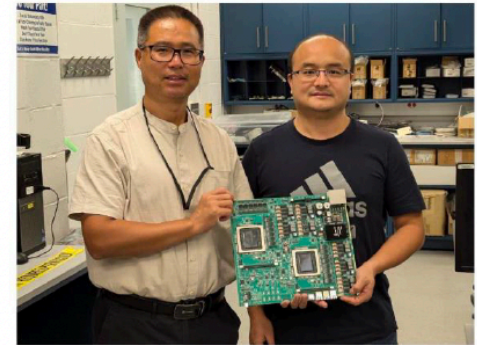


# Trigger and DAQ: Highlight



## TDAQ Progress Highlights

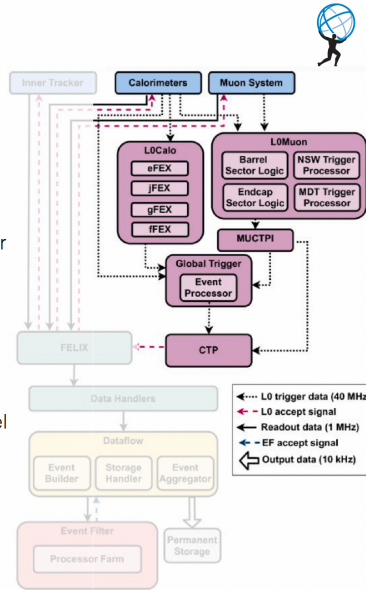
- L0 Trigger good progress with hardware prototyping
  - Firmware development proceeding well as hardware becomes available (Global Trigger, LOMDT, etc)
  - Availability of LTI prototype important for early integration testing with detectors in 2025
  - NSW-TP updating schedule and identifying additional effort
- DAQ good progress in readout, dataflow, network and online software
  - Incorporated additional prototype in the schedule
    - First batch of FLX-182 available, finalized FELIX FPGA choice and first prototype of FLX-155 under testing
- Event Filter technical work leading to technology choice yielding promising results across all candidate implementations
  - EF Tracking completing the second “integration”-themed demonstrator cycle, finalizing the document to define requirements and set process for technology choice



# Trigger and DAQ: More details

## Hardware based L0 system

- Data from calorimeters and muon detectors processed by dedicated trigger systems
  - L0Calo and L0Muon**
- L0Calo:**
  - Feature Extractors (**FEX**)
    - FPGA-based trigger boards optimized to trigger on different physics objects
- L0Muon:**
  - Sector Logic
    - FPGA-based off-detector trigger logic
- Global trigger** runs full granularity offline-like reconstruction: HLT-like object-level and event-level
  - Event Processor at 40 MHz
- Outputs sent to Central Trigger Processor (**CTP**) to make L0 decision
  - Accepted events sent to **Event Filter**



## Event Filter

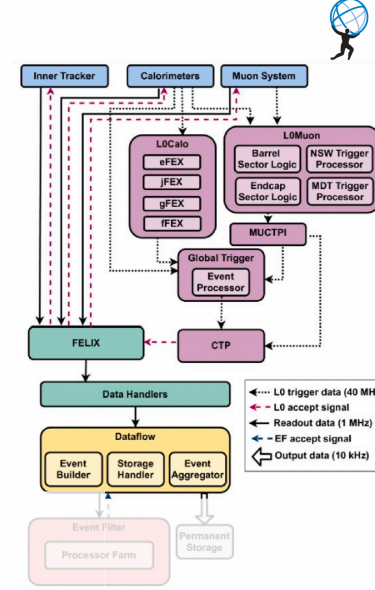
- Multiple types of computational units
  - CPU-servers
  - Possibly of accelerators: GPU, FPGA
  - Decision on EF expected in 2025
- 1 MHz data input rate**
  - Running event reconstruction algorithm
  - Integration with ACTS
- EF tracking:** Many ongoing FPGA & GPU studies for track seeding from Itk inputs
- EFcalo:** Studies with GPUs for topological clustering
- EFMuon:** Muon reconstruction using ML algorithms
- Final event selection: 10 kHz**
  - 3 kHz in Run-3

## Readout and DataFlow

- Front-End Link eXchange**
  - PC-based gateway
- FELIX interfaces**
  - Custom optical links to/from front-end
  - Partially deployed in Run 3
- Dataflow** provides full events (from readout) to EF and storage



FLX-182 prototype



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