## Physics with ATLAS at the High-Luminosity LHC

New Directions in Accelerator-Based Experiments

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#### The LHC Today

- The Large Hadron Collider is a 27 km long accelerator on the French/Swiss border
- Collides protons at 13 TeV: upgrade to 13.6 TeV this year for Run3
- Two large general purpose experiments, but I will focus on ATLAS





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#### Increase energy to **14 TeV**, and instantaneous luminosity to **5-7x10**<sup>34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>

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# Rising Energy



Increase in energy may seem small, but can have a big impact on important physics processes!





























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## Preparing for the Future

- European Strategy Update
- <u>Canadian Long Range Planning</u>
- Snowmass Community Planning Exercise
- The HL-LHC plays a critical role in all of these exercises
  - Important to understand how this device interplays with others!

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  - Analysis improvements often significantly outpace luminosity

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Many searches depend critically on detector design and layout: upgrades provide new opportunity for discovery

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Significantly larger pixel and strip radii enable large increase in acceptance for long-lived particles!

#### Precision Measurements of the Standard Model

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Challenging to observe: systematic and analysis improvements needed for evidence



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#### The Higgs Boson

## Why Higgs?





- The Higgs is the center of the Standard Model: related to all the particles, so critically important to understand
- The Higgs is the **newest particle**: we know the least about it
- The Higgs is **incredibly rich**: many different ways to study it

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Expected  $H \rightarrow c\bar{c}$  sensitivity at ~6x SM: improvements in charm tagging and analysis can improve this further

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Many of these measurements expected to be complementary to Higgs Factories (especially rarer decays)



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But what if we see something completely different? Could be hints of new physics, related to baryogenesis or vacuum stability!







Two diagrams produce HH at the LHC...





























High hopes for even more significant improvements in the future







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Creativity has enabled measurements we never thought possible at the LHC already: what else will 20 years bring?

#### Thank you!