# Physics at HL-LHC with the upgraded ATLAS detector

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## A road to a luminous future

- European Strategy for Particle Physics, 2013 "Europe's top priority should be the exploitation of the full potential of the LHC, including the high-luminosity upgrade of the machine and detectors with a view to collecting ten times more data than in the initial design by around 2030"
- The HL-LHC project funding was approved in June 2014 and its design study came to a close on Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015. The HL-LHC is going to happen!
- In this talk:
  - HL-LHC
  - The ATLAS detector upgrade programme
  - Physics at the HL-LHC with ATLAS
    - SM physics
    - Higgs boson physics
    - BSM





### HL-LHC in a nutshell

#### LHC / HL-LHC Plan





- As we speak, LHC continues to exceed design luminosity while still running at a reduced  $\sqrt{s}$ =13 TeV.
- Upgrades during Long Shutdown 2 will allow running at the design c.m. energy of  $\sqrt{s=14}$  TeV and at  $\mathcal{L}=2-3x10^{34}$ cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>. Target is an integrated luminosity of 300 fb<sup>-1</sup> by ~2025.
- HL-LHC, installed during Long Shutdown 3, will run at luminosities £=5-7.5x10<sup>34</sup>cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> with the target of increasing integrated luminosity by a factor 10 (3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>) by 2037.
- Major strain on the machine, on the experiments and on computing.





# The HL-LHC challenges

- High luminosity means a big number of simultaneous events:
  <µ<sub>PU</sub>> = 140-200
- Requires very granular detectors, very good vertex reconstruction capabilities and bunch crossing identification, fast trigger etc.
- Very high radiation doses
- Detectors aging very quickly and having to be replaced/refurbished
- Accessibility issues in certain regions of the detector













#### The ATLAS upgrade

- New all-silicon inner tracker with increased coverage of |η|<4 and increased radiation tolerance (HL-LHC)
  - Pixel: 5 inner barrels and forward disks, occupancy <0.1%
  - Strips: 4 extended barrels and 6 disks, occupancy <1%</li>
- Replace inner end cap muon stations with a New Small Wheel composed of MicroMeGaS and sTGC for improved tracking and trigger performance (Phase I)
- New RPC layers in the barrel Muon system (|η|<1) for increased trigger coverage and performance (HL-LHC)
- Readout electronics replaced in the Lar and Tile calorimeters
- Proposed High Granularity Timing Detector for improved bunch crossing ID and pile-up suppression, 2.4<|η|<4.3 (HL-LHC)</li>
- Hardware trigger with L0<1 MHz and L1<400 kHz
- High Level Trigger with 10 kHz output (permanently recorded data)
- "Custom hardware" triggers for data streaming at rates 1-40 MHz
- New Inner Tracker, Calorimeter, Muon triggers



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## ATLAS HL-LHC simulation strategies

- HL-LHC simulation must encompass upgraded ATLAS detector scenarios and trigger systems, a collision energy of  $\sqrt{s}$ =14 TeV and high pile-up,  $<\mu_{PU}>=140/200$ .
- For physics analysis, use generator level Monte Carlo samples
  - Overlay with jets from dedicated pile-up library, from fully simulated pile-up jet samples
  - To simulate the detector response, smear  $p_T$  and energy of reconstructed physics objects using smearing functions based on fully simulated samples
  - Apply reconstruction efficiencies for electrons, muons, jets...
  - Apply trigger efficiency functions to emulate triggers
- Extrapolation from Run I/II results
  - Signal and background are scaled to higher luminosities and higher collision energy
  - Assume detector performance and analysis techniques remain unchanged
  - Much room for improvements!
- With huge statistics at the HL-LHC, systematics can be the dominant factor in measurement precision
  - Current experimental systematics scaled to best guess for HL-LHC
  - Results provided with current theory systematics and without theory systematics

In the following: Three ATLAS detector upgrade scenarios

- Reference
- Middle
- Low

 $<\mu_{PU}>=200$  (unless otherwise indicated)





## **Pile-up mitigation**

- Typical jet selections require:  $p_T^{jet}$ >30 GeV and  $|\eta^{jet}|$ <3.8
- For  $<\mu_{PU} > =200$  we expect 4.8 pile-up jets per event which satisfy the request
- To reduce jet sensitivity to pile-up a parameterized track confirmation requirement is applied, based on selecting on charged vertex fraction,  $R_{p_T}$

$$R_{p_T} = \frac{\sum_{tracks} p_T}{p_T^{jet}}$$

- Applied to all non b-tagged jets with  $p_T^{jet} < 100$  GeV and  $|\eta^{jet}| < 3.8$ , the selection reduces pile-up by a factor 50
  - 0.2 selected pile-up jets per event
- More sophisticated pile-up rejection criteria being developed









#### SM physics: Vector boson scattering

- Sensitive test of the vector boson vertices in the SM
- With 3000  $fb^{-1}$ :
  - Clean observation of W<sup>±</sup>W<sup>±</sup>,ZZ and WZ scattering above backgrounds
  - Sensitive to dimension-8 operators at scales ~1 TeV, good case study for BSM

- Significance of SM W<sup>±</sup>W<sup>±</sup>jj production: ~11σ
- Cross section precision  $\Delta \sigma / \sigma = 5.9\%$



#### SM physics: Flavour Changing Neutral Currents, $t \rightarrow Zq$ and $t \rightarrow Hq$

- FCNC not allowed in SM at tree level, only via loops: highly suppressed
- Higher rate predicted in BSM models
- Signature:  $t\bar{t}$ , one top  $t \rightarrow Wb$ , one top goes FCNC  $\rightarrow$  Strong requirements on event reconstruction



 $t \rightarrow Hq, H \rightarrow b\overline{b}$ :

use event categories based on number of (**b**)-jets and discriminant variable, **D** 

Limits on BR(t $\rightarrow$  Zq) ~ 10<sup>-4</sup> Limits on BR(t $\rightarrow$  Hq) ~ 10<sup>-4</sup>

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#### Higgs boson physics: coupling precisions

- Full set of HL-LHC coupling projections are based on Run I analyses (<μ<sub>PU</sub>>=140)
- with 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>:
  - W/Z couplings to 3%
  - $\mu$  coupling to 7%
  - t,b, $\tau$  couplings to 8-12%
- Projections do not include upgraded detector designs nor improvements in analysis techniques











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s = 14 TeV

- [Ldt = 300 fb<sup>-1</sup>

— Ldt = 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>

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m, [GeV]



#### Higgs boson physics: Signal strength

- Signal strength  $\mu = \sigma / \sigma_{SM}$  used to express compatibility with theory
- Goal is to minimize the uncertainty of the measurements  $(\Delta \mu / \mu)$ 
  - With high statistics QCD and PDF uncertainties become significant





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#### Higgs boson physics: a rare decay, $H \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma$

- Sensitive to the Higgs boson coupling to the charm quark
  - SM expectation: BR(H $\rightarrow$ J/ $\psi\gamma$ )=(2.9 $\pm$ 0.2)×10<sup>-6</sup>
  - ATLAS limit from Run I: BR(H $\rightarrow$ J/ $\psi\gamma$ )=1.5×10<sup>-3</sup>
- Using  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  decay mode
- $Z \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma$  as a cross-check
- Using multivariate analysis, ~3 signal events, 1700 background events in m(μ<sup>+</sup>μ<sup>-</sup>γ)∈115-135 GeV
- Expected limits at 95% c.l.:
  - $\forall$  BR(H→J/ψγ)=(44<sup>+19</sup><sub>-12</sub>)×10<sup>-6</sup>
  - $\checkmark \sigma(gg \rightarrow H) \times BR(H \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma) = (3.1^{+0.9}_{-1.3}) \times 10^{-6}$  (no background systematics)







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Higgs boson physics:  $\Gamma_{\rm H}$  from off-shell couplings

- Measure off-shell production of  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  with  $m(4\ell)>220 \text{ GeV}$
- Use m(4*l*) shape and matrix element to discriminate between signal and background
- Off-shell production used to constrain the Higgs boson width  $\Gamma_{\rm H}$
- For  $\Gamma = \Gamma_{SM}$  combining with on-shell measurement (assuming off-shell measurement dominates):  $\Gamma_{H} = 4.2^{+1.5}_{-2.1}$  MeV (stat.+sys)
- Run I limit:  $\Gamma_{H}$ <22.7 MeV at 95% C.L. (WW, ZZ)









#### Higgs boson physics: Vector Boson Fusion

- $H \to WW \to \ell \nu \ell \nu \ (\ell = e, \mu)$ 
  - Challenging due to large backgrounds (dominant systematic uncertainty)
  - Good benchmark for performance at HL-LHC: E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>, central-jet veto, b-tagging for forward jets
- $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ 
  - Must disentangle ggF/VBF production modes
  - Background from pile-up jets in the forward region
  - Use BDT method for optimal signal/background separation
  - Nice case study to quantify benefit from upgraded detector

Different systematic assumptions: FULL or NONE		ΖΖ <μ <sub>ΡU</sub> > = 200 FULL	ΖΖ <μ <sub>ΡU</sub> > = 200 NONE	WW <µ <sub>PU</sub> >=200 FULL	WW <µ <sub>PU</sub> >=200 NONE
	$\Delta \mu$	0.18	0.15	0.20	0.14
	Significance	7.2σ	10.2 <i>σ</i>	5.7σ	<b>8.0</b> σ





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# HH production: $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b} \tau^+ \tau^-$

All final states of  $\tau\tau$  considered

		trigger	signal events in 3000 fb <sup>-1</sup>	background in 3000 fb <sup>-1</sup>
τlep	TLEP	single $e/\mu$	9	6,200
τlep	THAD	$p_T$ <25GeV	20	880
THAD	THAD	di- $\tau$ : $p_T$ vis $(\tau) > 40$ GeV	19	830



 $au_{LEP} au_{LEP}$  does not add to significance and is not further analysed

Combined significance  $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b} \tau^+\tau^-$  production (no syst. error): 0.6 $\sigma$ 





# HH production: $HH \rightarrow b\overline{b}b\overline{b}$

- Main background is QCD multi-jet production
- Extrapolation from Run II results
  - Assumes the current detector (i.e. no upgrades), trigger & flavor tagging performance: no consideration of extra pile-up jets
  - Run II trigger threshold  $p_T^{jet}$ >30 GeV  $\rightarrow$  HL-LHC  $p_T^{jet}$ >75 GeV



 $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$  production (no systematic error): combined significance  $\rightarrow 0.6\sigma$ 

Jet Threshold [GeV]	Background Systematics	$\sigma/\sigma_{SM}$ 95% Exclusion	$\lambda_{HHH}/\lambda_{HHH}^{SM}$ Lower Limit	$\lambda_{HHH}/\lambda_{HHH}^{SM}$ Upper Limit
30 GeV	Negligible	1.5	0.2	7
30 GeV	Current	5.2	-3.5	11
75 GeV	Negligible	2.0	-3.4	12
75 GeV	Current	11.5	-7.4	14
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# HH production $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$

- After selections: 8.4 signal events, 47 background
- Significance:  $1.3\sigma$  (no systematic error)







## HH production: $t\bar{t}$ HH production

- $\sigma(t\bar{t}HH) \sim 1 \text{ fb}$ 
  - Use  $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$  final state and semi-leptonic final state of  $t\bar{t}$
  - Single lepton trigger requirement  $(e, \mu)$
  - 6 b-jets, 2 light jets,  $e/\mu$  and  $E_T^{miss}$
- Cut-based analysis: no cut on Higgs candidate mass, too many combinatorics!





- For  $\geq$ 5 b-tags: 25 signal events, 7100 background
  - Background is dominated by c-jets mistagged as b-jets from  $W \rightarrow cs$
- Significance:  $0.35\sigma$  (no systematic error)

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## Beyond the SM: Direct production of stau pairs

- Assume 100% branching ratio to  $\tau$  and LSP,  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$
- Signature:

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Events / 50

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400

500

600

- $2\tau$ -jets
- Large missing energy

ATLAS Simulation

Preliminary

- Define signal region in  $m_T(\tau_1, E_T^{miss}) + m_T(\tau_2, E_T^{miss})$
- Main backgrounds:  $W + jets, t\bar{t}$





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Beyond the SM: Direct production of Charginos and Neutralinos decaying to Wh

- Signature:
  - $\blacksquare$  Chargino to leptonic W  $\rightarrow$  clear signature
  - Neutralino to  $h \rightarrow b\overline{b}$ : benefits from detector upgrades
  - Large missing energy
- Background: W+jets,  $t\bar{t}$ , single top, ttV





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Beyond the SM: Direct stop pair production with compressed mass spectra

- Compressed mass spectra
- Scenario with low stop-neutralino mass difference
  - $m(\tilde{t}) m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) \cong m(t)$
- Signature: 2 leptons + 2 b-jets +missing E





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# Summary

- A clear roadmap to HL-LHC has been set
- The ATLAS Collaboration is proceeding with an upgrade programme aimed at coping with a new, very harsh and challenging environment of increased pile-up and large background
- The HL-LHC will provide very useful insights into the Standard Model and Higgs boson physics
- Measuring the Higgs boson self-coupling is a rather formidable challenge and one of the main targets of the ATLAS experiment at the HL-LHC
- Studies are still ongoing, the rather conservative approach adopted until now suggests that substantial improvements are possible and that we will probably do better than presented here











#### Higgs boson physics: rare decays



Probe coupling to 2<sup>nd</sup> generation fermions

 $7\sigma$  observation for  $<\mu_{PU}>=140, 25\%$ (stat) $\oplus$ 17% (syst.) precision



Probe for Yukawa couplings Anticipate to set the limit of the BR(H $\rightarrow$ J/ $\psi$ \gamma at 15xSM expectation First limit set at 600xSM (PRL 114 (2015) 121801)



Probe for new physics in the loop and important for coupling measurement

3.9 $\sigma$  observation for  $\langle \mu_{PU} \rangle = 140$ , 25% (stat) $\oplus 17\%$  (syst.) precision

- Rare Higgs decays are sensitive probes for new physics
- ✓ Observation at the SM rate for H→  $\mu\mu$ , H →Z $\gamma$  only possible with the HL-LHC dataset

