

## Introduction to Particle Physics and Cosmology

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11 Lecture Course, module 03 17484

Course material (linked from the [WebCT page](#))

<https://www.ep.ph.bham.ac.uk/twiki/bin/view/General/Y1IntroToPpc>

"Office hours" - 1300-1500 same day as lectures.

Cosmology, AV: linked from above page

## Course Aims

- Provide a broad overview of current topics in Particle Physics and Cosmology
- Put emphasis on the questions or problems rather than on the solutions
- "Whet your appetite" so you can choose the most interesting area to you
  
- This course is not meant to
  - ▶ Confuse you
  - ▶ Answer any of the questions in any detail ☺

## Learning / Assessment

Recommend

- Attending the Lectures (important!)
- Going through the unassessed problem sheets
  - ▶ See web pages - separate for PP and Cosmology
- Using references, mainly to help with problem sheets
- "Reading around" the subject for background information
  - ▶ It is really interesting (really)
  - ▶ If you find questions related to PP, bring them in!

Assessment will be through a single, 1 hour exam

## References

- Particle Physics
  - ▶ *Particle Physics*, Martin and Shaw,
  - ▶ *High Energy Physics*, D.H. Perkins (2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> editions OK)
  - ▶ *Feynman Lectures*, R.P. Feynman
  - ▶ (Friedman and Young also useful in places)
- Cosmology
  - ▶ *An Introduction to Modern Cosmology*, A. Liddle
  - ▶ *Universe*, W.J. Kaufmann and R.A. Freedman

For this course you are not expected to read them all

## Course Overview

L1: Introduction to the course

### Particle Physics

L2: Particles and Interactions

L3: Symmetries in PP

L4: Physics/Unification of Forces / Higgs

L5: Status of Standard Model and extensions

### Cosmology

L6: Review of Big Bang Cosmology

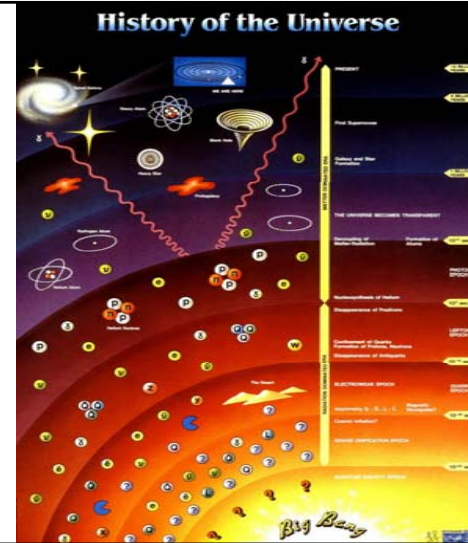
L7: The Friedmann Equation

L8: Cosmic Microwave Background

L9: Puzzles in Cosmology

L10: Cosmology or Particle Physics

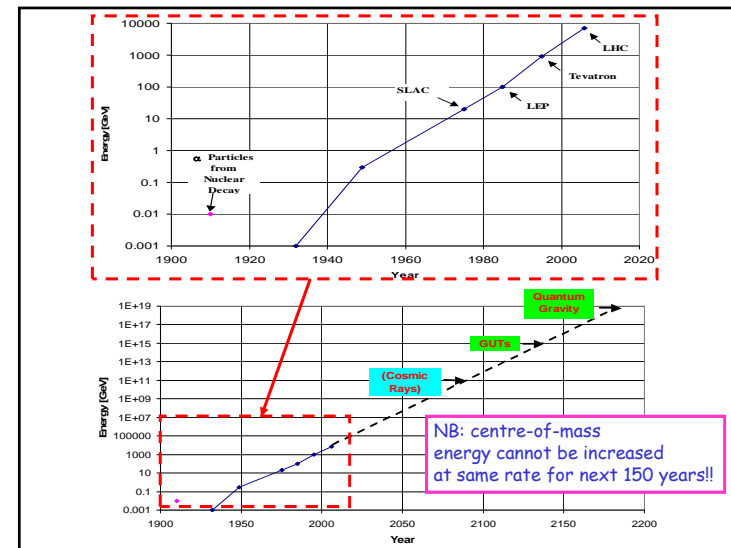
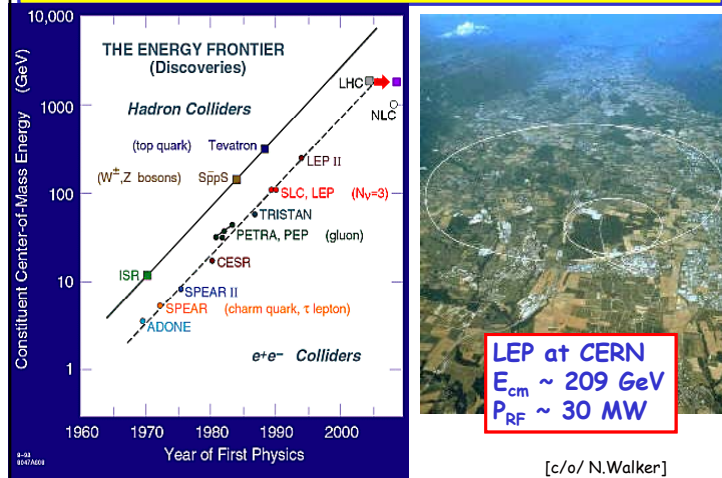
L11: Review/Revision Lecture - early in summer term



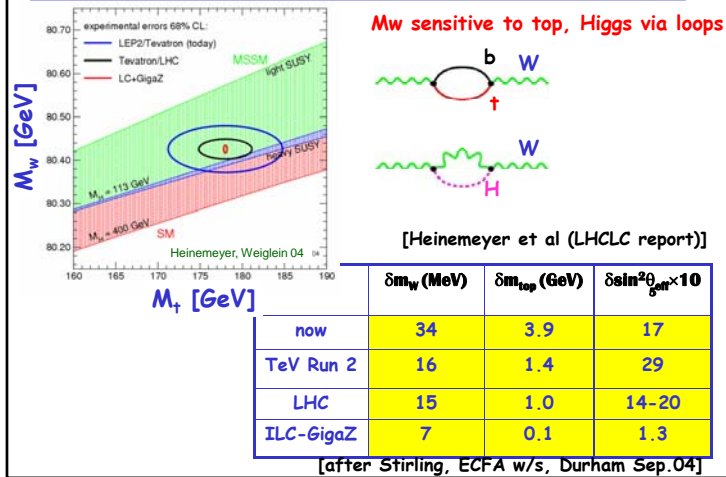
cosmology

Particle physics

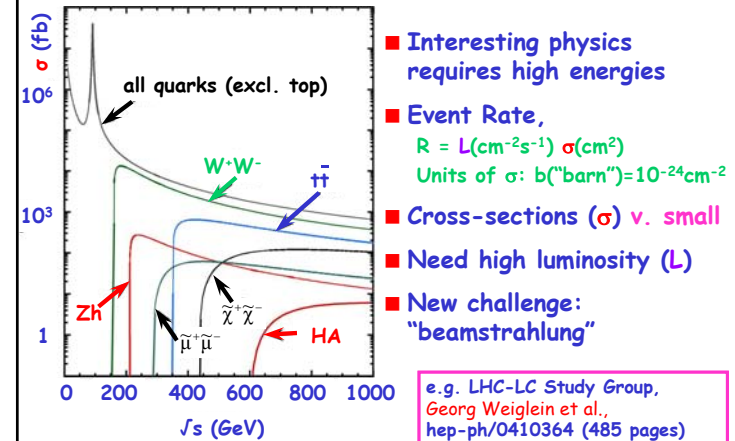
## Energy Frontier $e^+e^-$ Colliders



## Precise measurements



## High Energy $e^+e^-$ Collider Physics



## Why a Linear Collider after LEP?

		LEP-II	Super-LEP	Hyper-LEP
$E_{\text{cm}}$	GeV	180	500	2000
L	km	27	200	3200
$\Delta E$	GeV	1.5	12	240
$\$_{\text{tot}}$	$10^9$ CHF	2	15	240

### Cost/size optimisation

- RF power to balance synchrotron radiation losses:  $\Delta E \propto E^4/\rho m^4$
- Magnets & tunnel: linear, proportional to  $\rho$

Optimal when these are comparable

⇒ Cost scales as  $E^2$

$\rho$  is radius of synchrotron  
 $m$  is particle mass

[c/o/ N.Walker]

## Luminosity: storage ring vs. LC

Event rate = luminosity  $\times$  reaction cross-section

"Cross-section" from PP theory: [area] (1 "barn" =  $10^{-24}\text{cm}^2$ )

"Luminosity" ( $L$ ) from accelerator design:  $1/[\text{area}][\text{time}]$

LEP  $f_{\text{rep}} = 44$  kHz

LC  $f_{\text{rep}} = \text{few-100 Hz}$   
(power limited)

⇒ factor  $\sim 400$  in  $L$  already lost

Solution: very small beam cross-section at "IP" (interaction point)

LEP:  $\sigma_x \sigma_y \approx 130 \times 6 \mu\text{m}^2$

LC:  $\sigma_x \sigma_y \approx (200-500) \times (3-5) \text{ nm}^2$

Factor of  $10^6$  gain!

Needed to obtain high luminosity of a few  $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

## Luminosity

- High luminosity achieved by

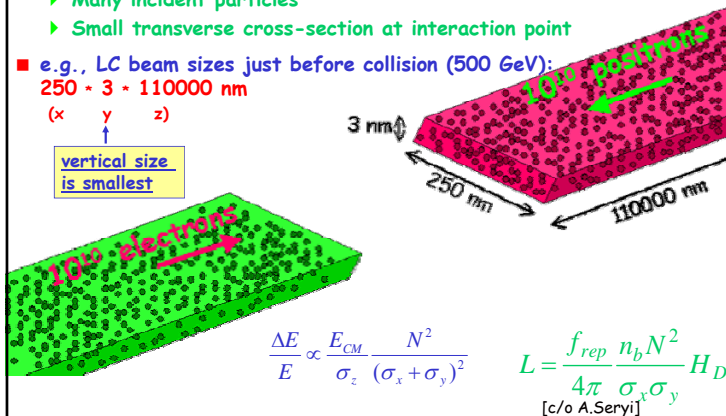
- ▶ Many incident particles
- ▶ Small transverse cross-section at interaction point

- e.g., LC beam sizes just before collision (500 GeV):

250 \* 3 \* 110000 nm

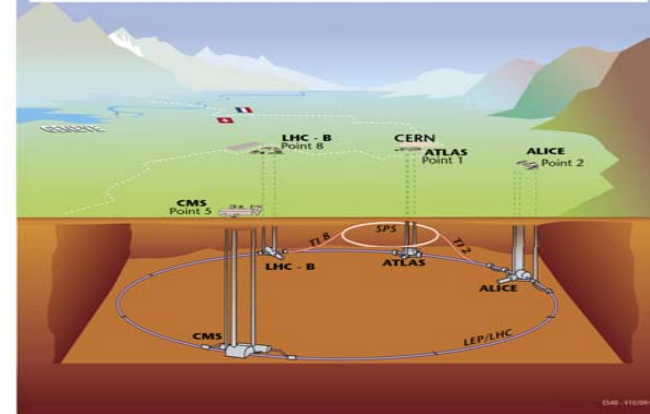
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vertical size  
is smallest

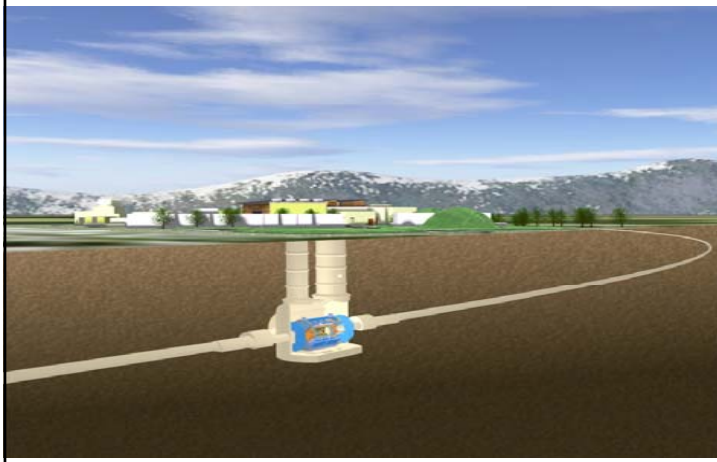


## Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

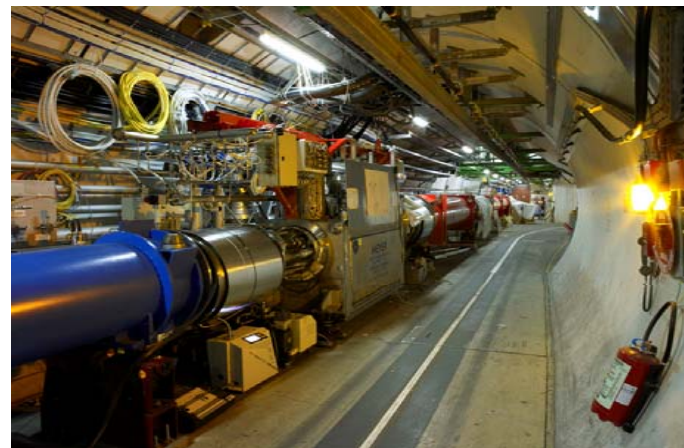
Overall view of the LHC experiments.



## ATLAS: 100m underground



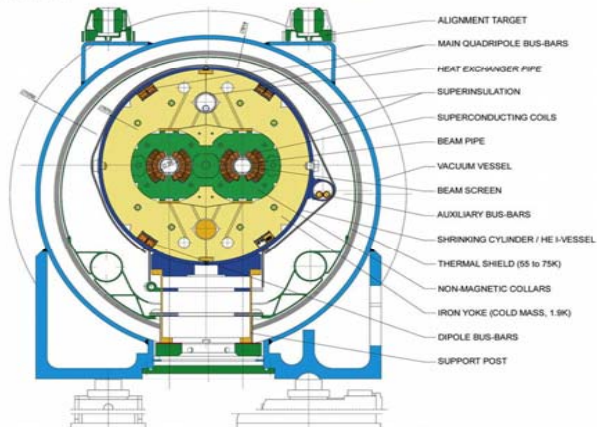
## LHC beamline



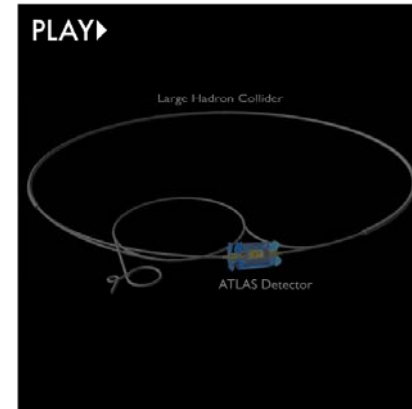


## Superconducting magnets (1K)

LHC DIPOLE : STANDARD CROSS-SECTION



## Head-on proton collisions

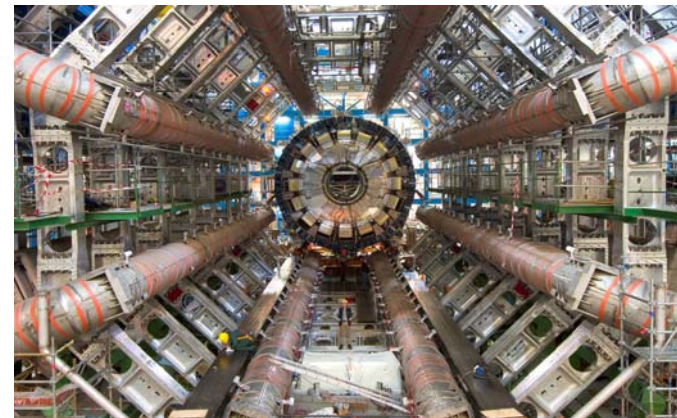


## ATLAS experiment at the LHC

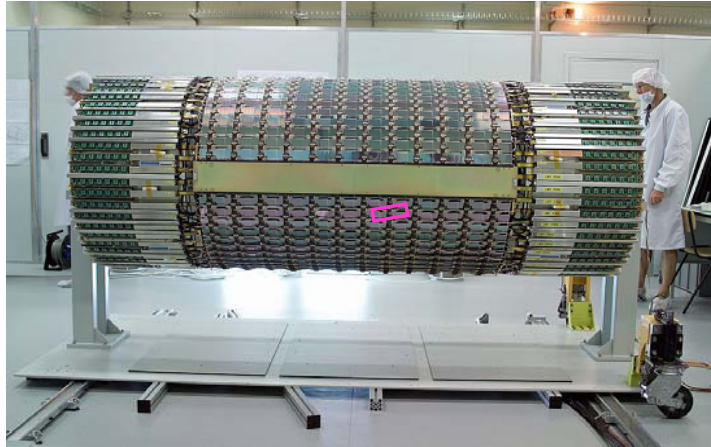


- Proton + proton collisions
- $14 \times 10^{12}$  eV - world's highest energy facility
- (cf.  $10^{20}$  eV max. cosmic rays.  $\sim 10^{18}$  eV equivalent to LHC energy in centre-of-mass frame)

## ATLAS: inside the toroids



## ATLAS: general purpose expt



ATLAS



ATLAS (barrel calorimetry)



ATLAS



ATLAS



CMS

