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**Master studies in Particle Physics  
Siegen University, Germany**  
**<https://cpps.physik.uni-siegen.de/master/>**

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# Where is Siegen?



Siegen is located centrally in Germany, around 125 km northwest of Frankfurt and 90 km east of Cologne and can be reached well via train or car. Nearby international airports are in Frankfurt, Cologne and Düsseldorf. Siegen celebrated 2024 the 800th anniversary and it has currently around 100.000 inhabitants. Downtown Siegen offers many pubs, restaurants and cafes, but also theatres, Cinemas and concert halls.



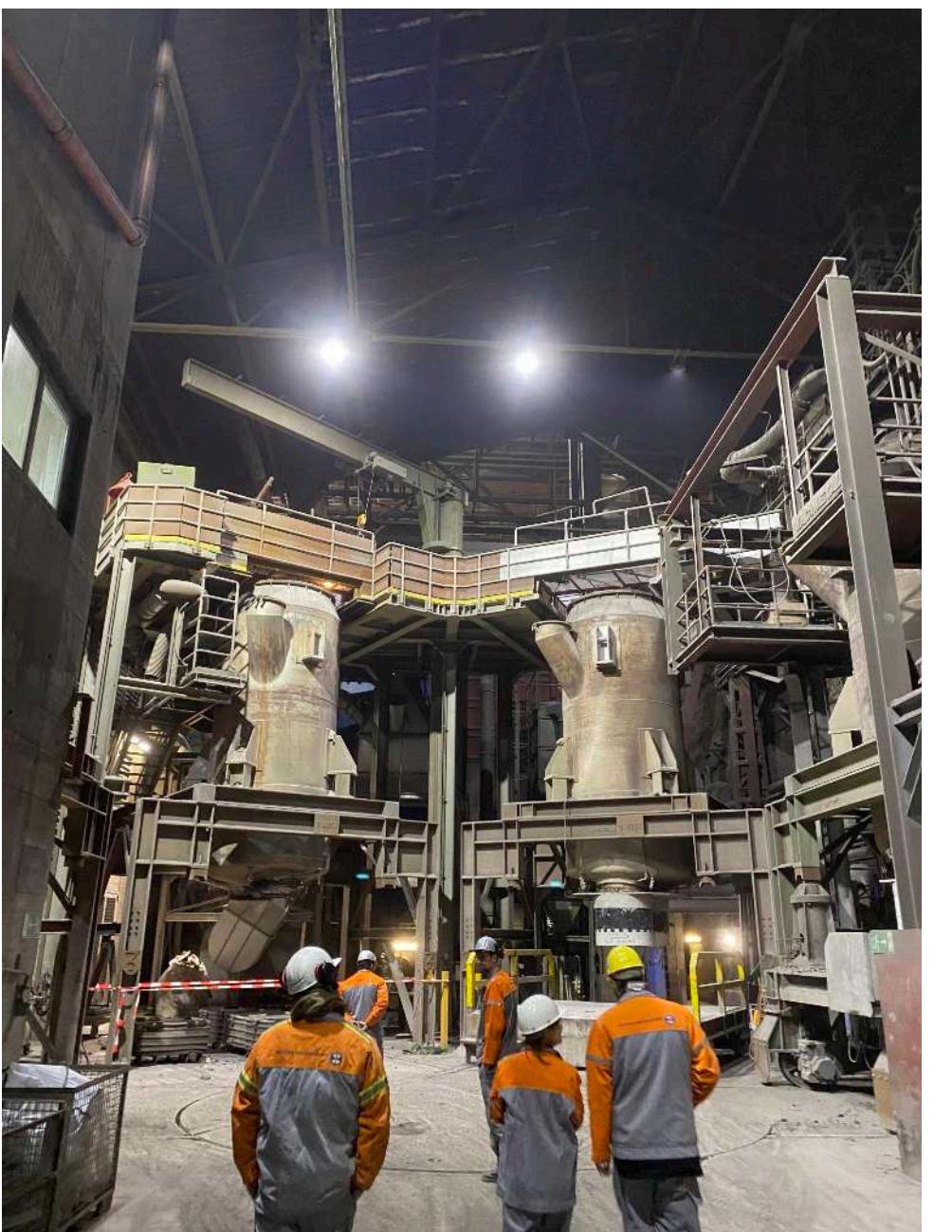
The University of Siegen was founded in 1972 and has currently around 16.000 students.  
<https://www.uni-siegen.de/start/index.html.en?lang=en>

# Siegen - downtown





## University of Siegen - and local industry



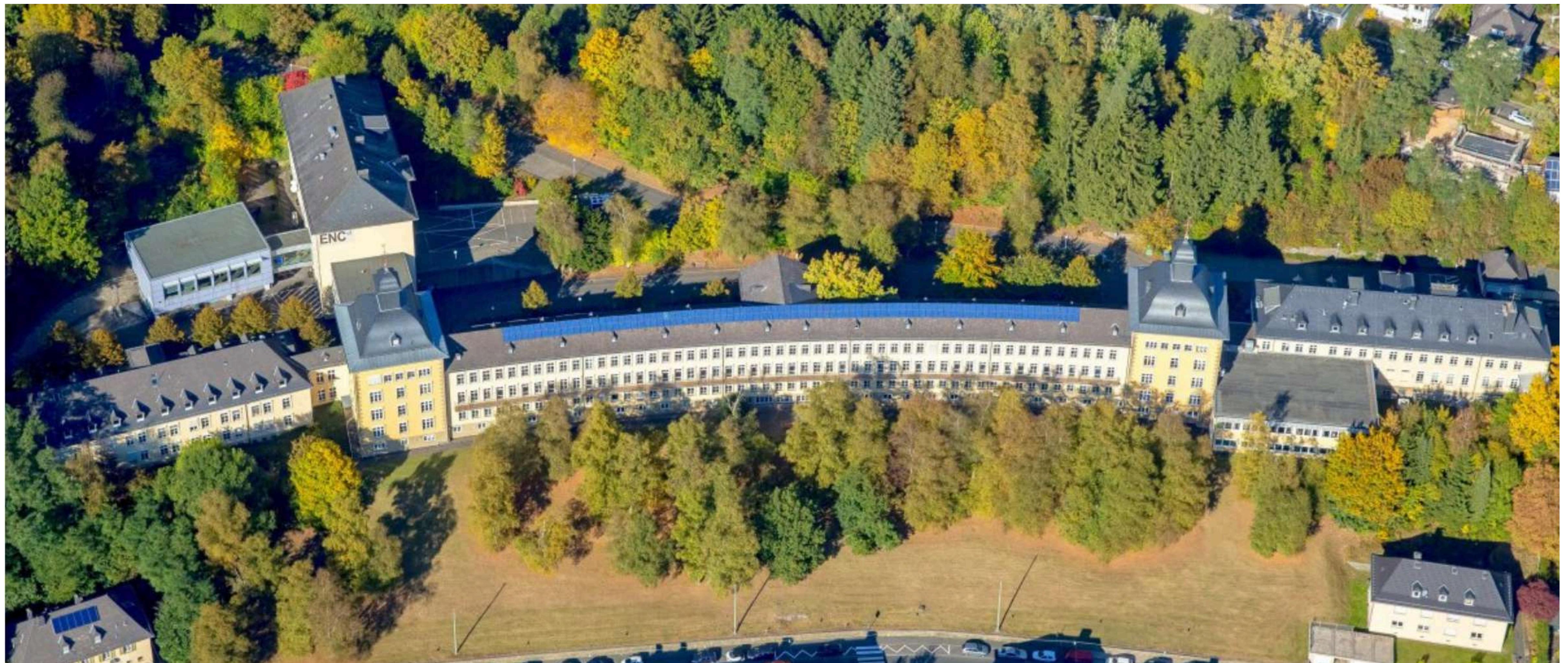
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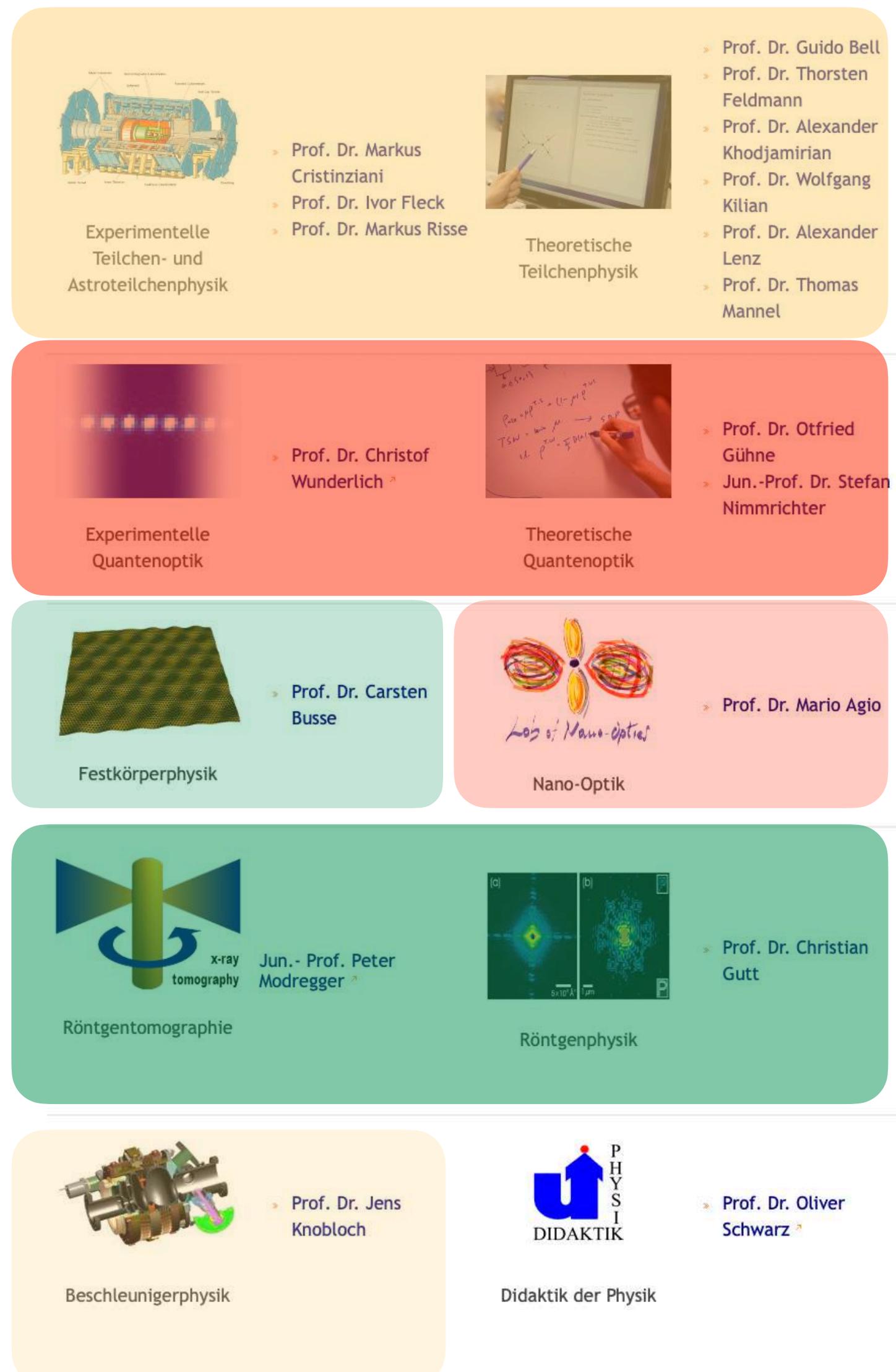


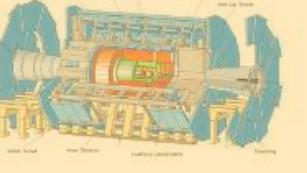
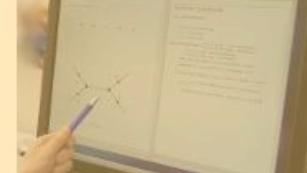
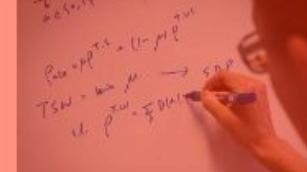
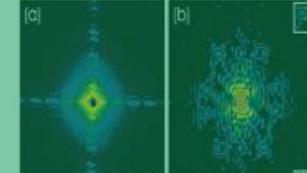
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# Emmy Noether Campus





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## Particle physics

## Quantum Optics

## Solid states and X-ray Physics

## Didactics

Amazing staff-student ratio



- Ca. 30 beginners in bachelor
- Ca. 10 beginners in master
- Ca. 20 professors



# Students are happy in Siegen

Uni Heidelberg	TU München/Garching	Uni Siegen
Fakultät für Physik und Astronomie	TUM School of Natural Sciences	Fakultät IV: Naturwissenschaftl... Technische Fakultät
<a href="#">Zur Hochschule</a>	<a href="#">Zur Hochschule</a>	<a href="#">Zur Hochschule</a>
<b>Studium und Lehre</b>		
<b>General study situation</b> Allgemeine Studiensituation <a href="#">?</a>		
 4.3	 4.5	 4.5
<b>Support during studies</b> Unterstützung im Studium <a href="#">?</a>		
 3.8	 4	 4.1
<b>Digital elements in studies</b> Digitale Lehrelemente <a href="#">?</a>		
 3.6	 4.1	 4.2
<b>Relation to research</b> Forschungsorientierung <a href="#">?</a>		
 4.3	 4.3	 4.5
<b>Teaching</b> Praxisorientierung in der Lehre <a href="#">?</a>		
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<b>Support by teaching staff</b> Betreuung durch Lehrende <a href="#">?</a>		
 4.1	 4.2	 4.5

**CHE Master-Ranking 2024 (<https://studiengaenge.zeit.de/>)**

**Comparing Siegen with**

**the oldest university (Heidelberg) and**

**one of the most prestigious universities (TUM) in Germany**

**5.0 is the highest possible mark**

# Excellent Supervision

## Success indicators

Many times  
Master theses  
are published



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Taming new physics in  $b \rightarrow c\bar{u}d(s)$  with  
 $\tau(B^+)/\tau(B_d)$  and  $a_{sl}^d$

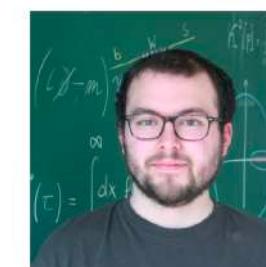
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ABSTRACT: Inspired by the recently observed tensions between the experimental data and the theoretical predictions, based on QCD factorisation, for several colour-allowed non-leptonic  $B$ -meson decays, we study the potential size of new physics (NP) effects in the decay channels  $b \rightarrow c\bar{u}d(s)$ . Starting from the most general effective Hamiltonian describing the  $b \rightarrow c\bar{u}d(s)$  transitions, we compute NP contributions to the theoretical predictions of  $B$ -meson lifetime and of  $B$ -mixing observables. The well-known lifetime ratio  $\tau(B^+)/\tau(B_d)$  and the experimental bound on the semi-leptonic CP asymmetry  $a_{sl}^d$ , provide strong, complementary constraints on some of the NP Wilson coefficients.

KEYWORDS: Bottom Quarks, Specific BSM Phenomenology, CP Violation

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Alumni find attractive jobs  
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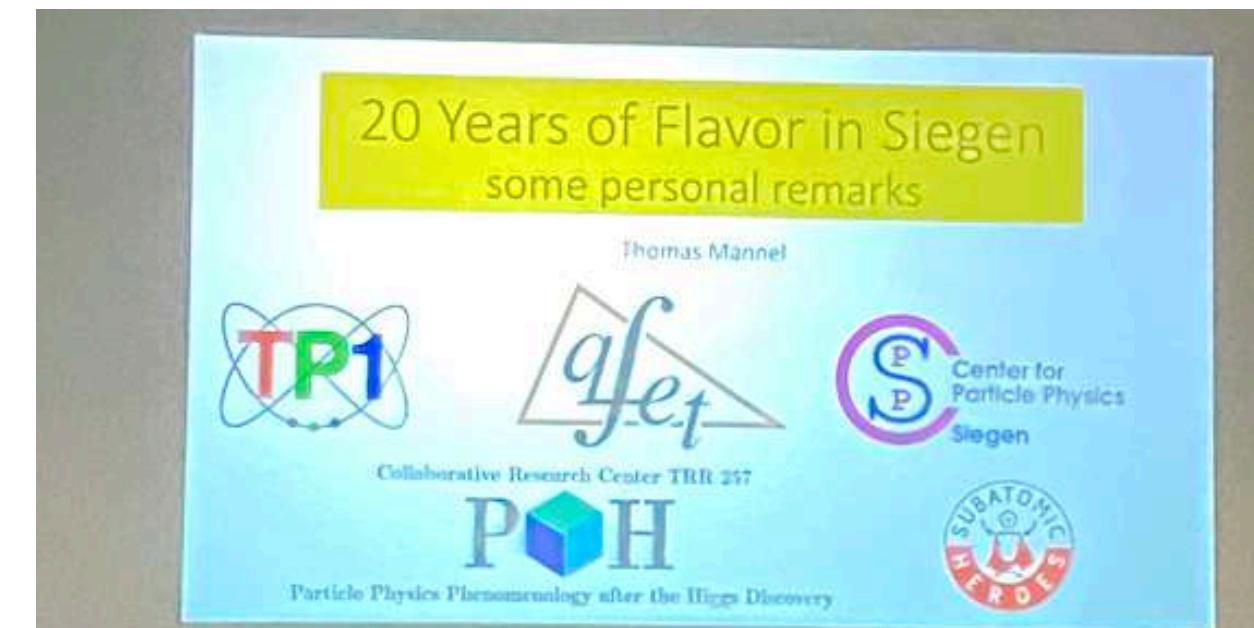
PhD in Siegen  
-> post-doc in Edinburgh  
(Lattice QCD)

PhD in Siegen  
-> post-doc in NIKHEF  
(Amsterdam) and CERN

PhD/post-doc in Siegen  
-> post-doc in IPPP  
(Durham) and TU Munich

post-doc in Siegen  
-> permanent position  
in IJCLab Orsay

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PhD and post-doc  
applications from all over the  
world

- e.g. 2023: 290 applications for 1 post-doc position
- International postdocs



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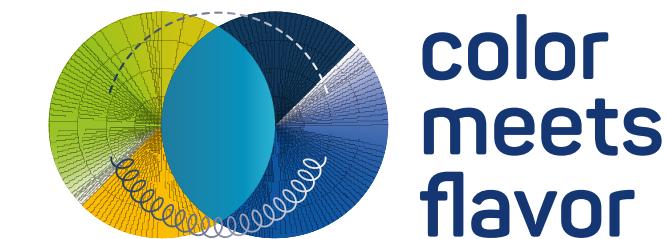


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# Historic moment for the University of Siegen: Excellence certified



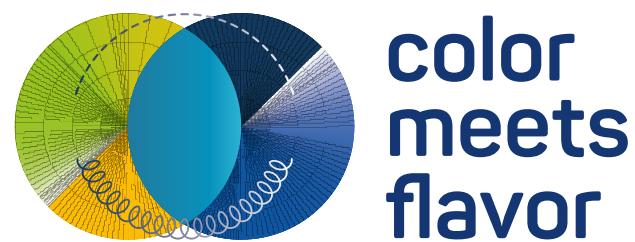
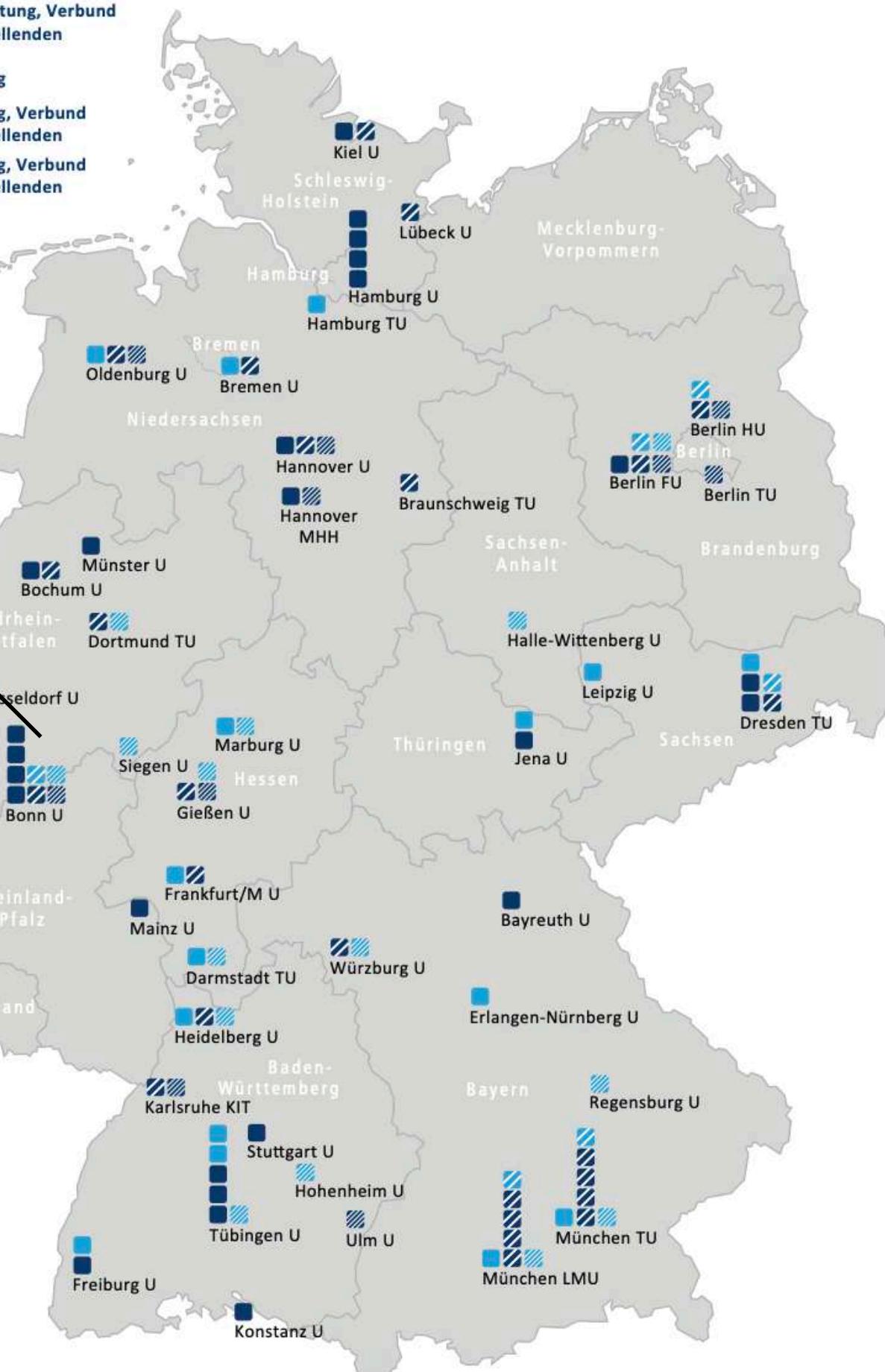
4 out of 70 Clusters  
in particle physics

22.05.2025 @ Tanja Hoffmann

The University of Siegen has been awarded the contract for a Cluster of Excellence in the field of elementary particle physics. The project with partners Bonn, Dortmund and Jülich was successful in the Excellence Strategy of the German federal and state governments - it will receive a total of around 60 million euros in funding over the next seven years.



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**more than a lifetime** 22.-25.9.2025 Siegen, Germany

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**International workshop**  
Lifetimes of heavy hadrons – experimental and theoretical aspects

<https://indico.physik.uni-siegen.de/event/498/>

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**Particle Physics with the ATLAS Experiment**

**Siegen**  
September 6–9, 2022  
Annual Meeting of the ATLAS ERUM-FSP T02

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**Registration closes**  
August 29, 2022  
[Info: indico.physik.uni-siegen.de/222/](https://indico.physik.uni-siegen.de/event/222/)

**Venue**  
Hörsaalzentrum US-C  
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ATLAS EXPERIMENT

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The 5th edition of the workshop  
**"Beyond the Flavour Anomalies"**

Siegen, Germany, 9 – 11 April 2024

**Topics**

- Rare semileptonic decays
- Tree-level semileptonic decays
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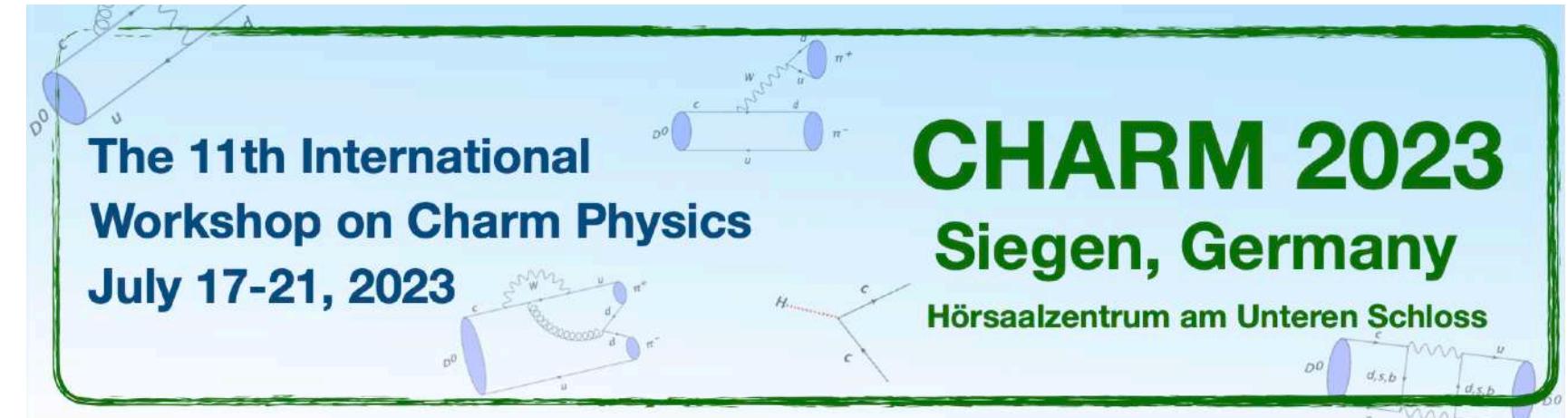
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**CHARM 2023**  
Siegen, Germany  
Hörsaalzentrum am Unteren Schloss

The 11th International Workshop on Charm Physics

July 17-21, 2023




**Lattice meets Continuum**<sup>3rd edition</sup>  
Seminarzentrum Unteres Schloss, Universität Siegen  
September 30 – October 3, 2024

<https://indico.physik.uni-siegen.de/event/158/>

**Confirmed Speakers**

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- Alessandro Barone (U Mainz)
- Vadim Baru (U Bochum)
- Alessandro De Santis (U Roma Tor Vergata)
- Felix Erben (CERN)
- Martin Gorbahn (U Liverpool)
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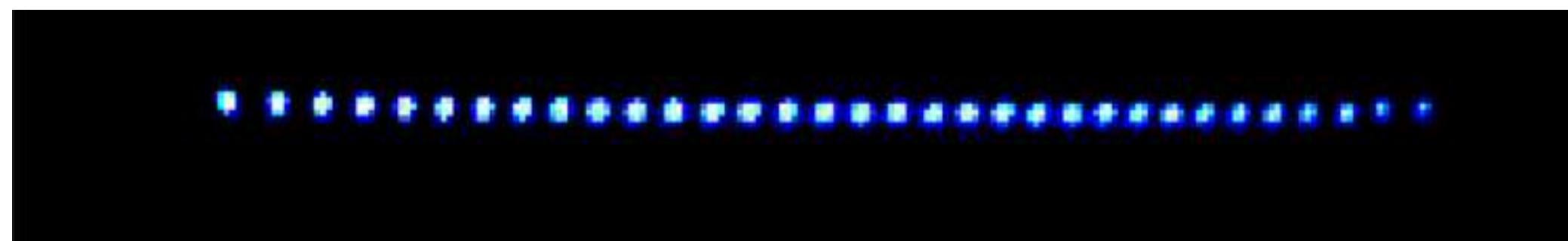
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# Experimental Quantum- and Nano-Optics

## Experimental Quantum Optics

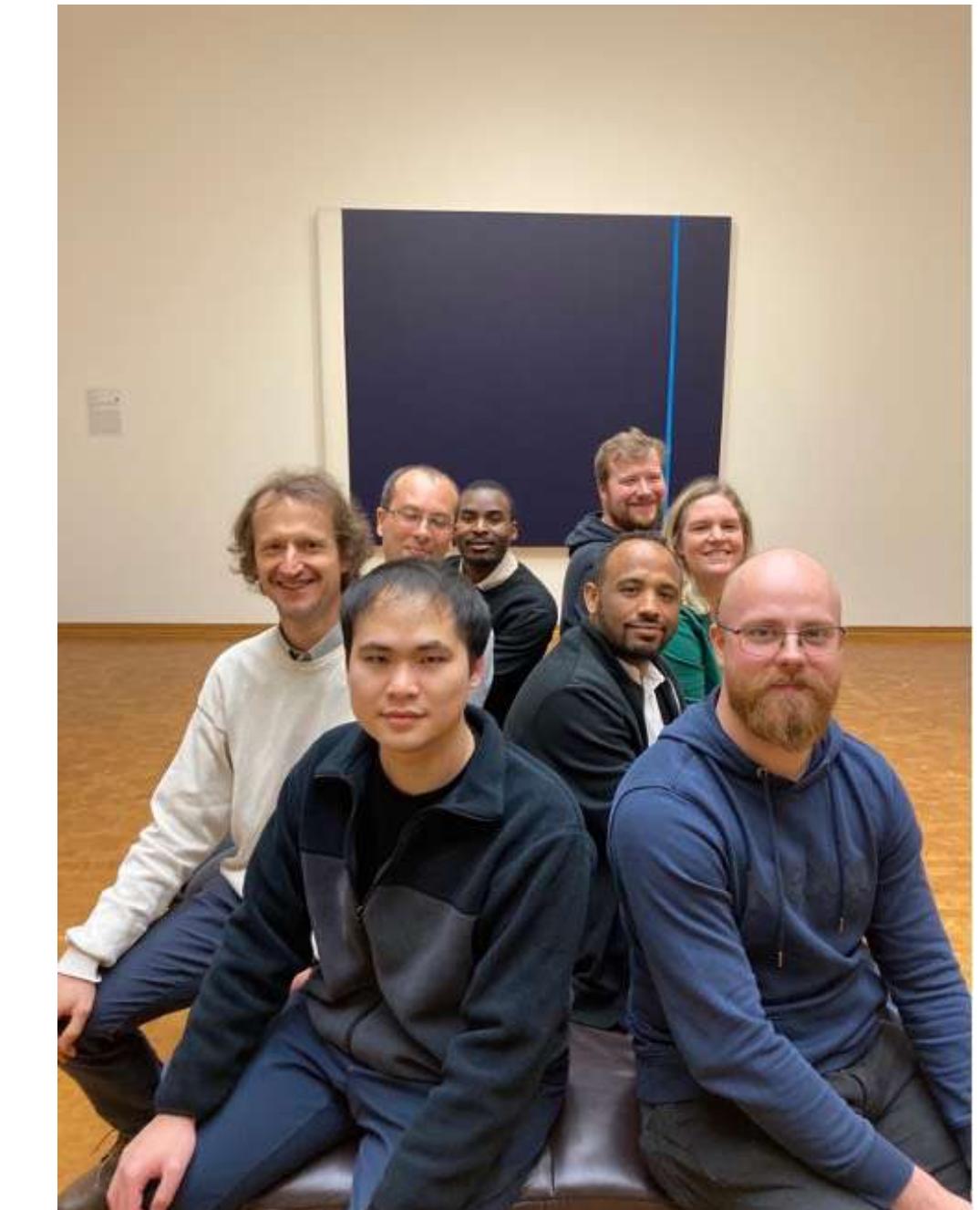
Foundations of Quantum Physics, Quantum Computing



**Trapped ions acting as Q-Bits**



High level politicians visiting  
quantum optics in Siegen



Company in Siegen: **eleQtron**

# Computer Revolution?

**START-UP**  
**Ionen in der Falle**

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**Zurück zum Artikel**

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Der Professor und sein Werk: Christof Wunderlich neben dem ersten Quantencomputer Deutschlands auf dem Emmy-Noether-Campus der Universität Siegen

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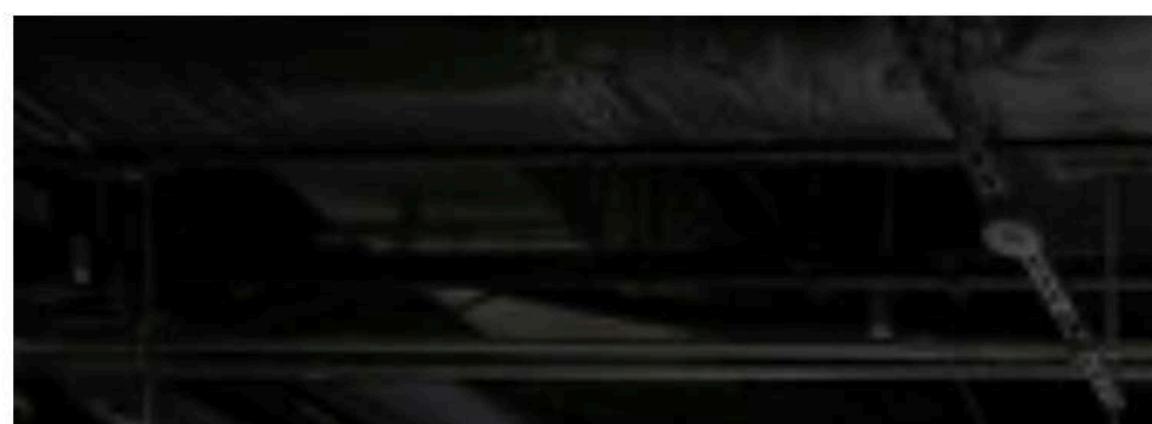
Insights

**2025:  
100  
Years after  
the discovery  
of quantum  
theory**

**EL PAÍS** Science

QUANTUM MECHANICS >  
**Research inches toward quantum supremacy with results unattainable by classical computing**

The experiment attained precise measurements using a processor of only 127 qubits and an error mitigation strategy



**IBM makes significant breakthrough in quantum computing**

**Deutscher Quantencomputer  
eleQtron erhält ersten »Quantum Effects Award«**

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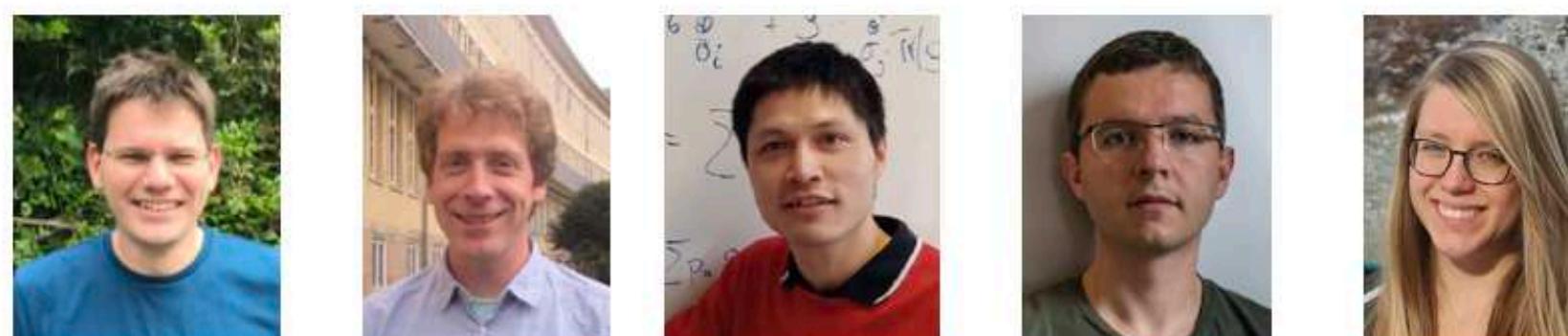
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**CHECK OUT THE PROGRAM**  
**NUREMBERG, GERMANY**  
**10.-11. APRIL 2024**

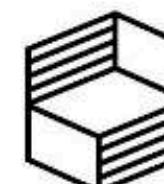
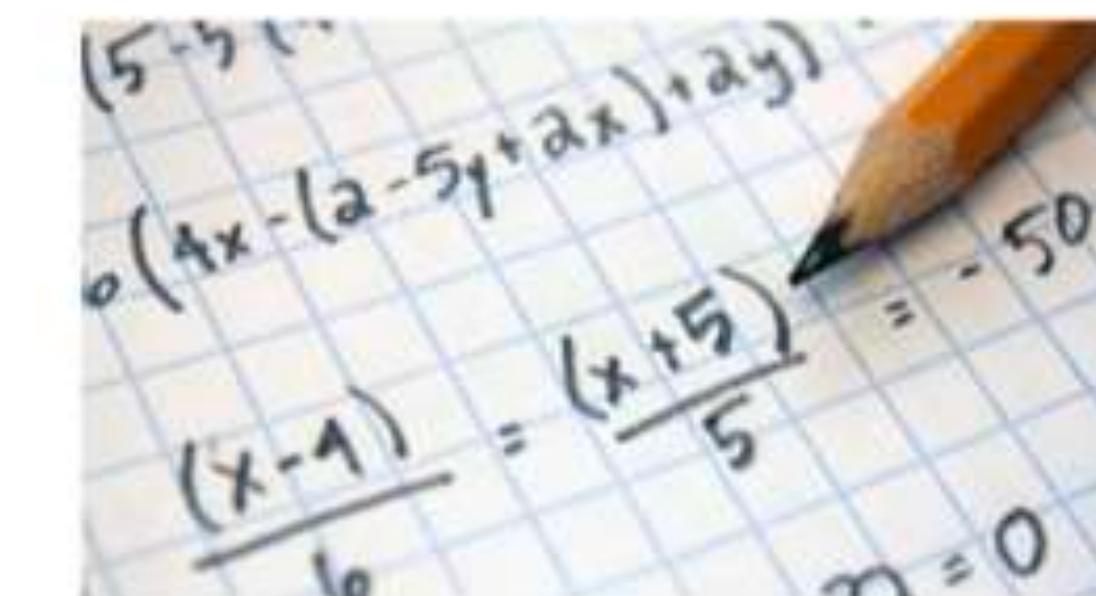
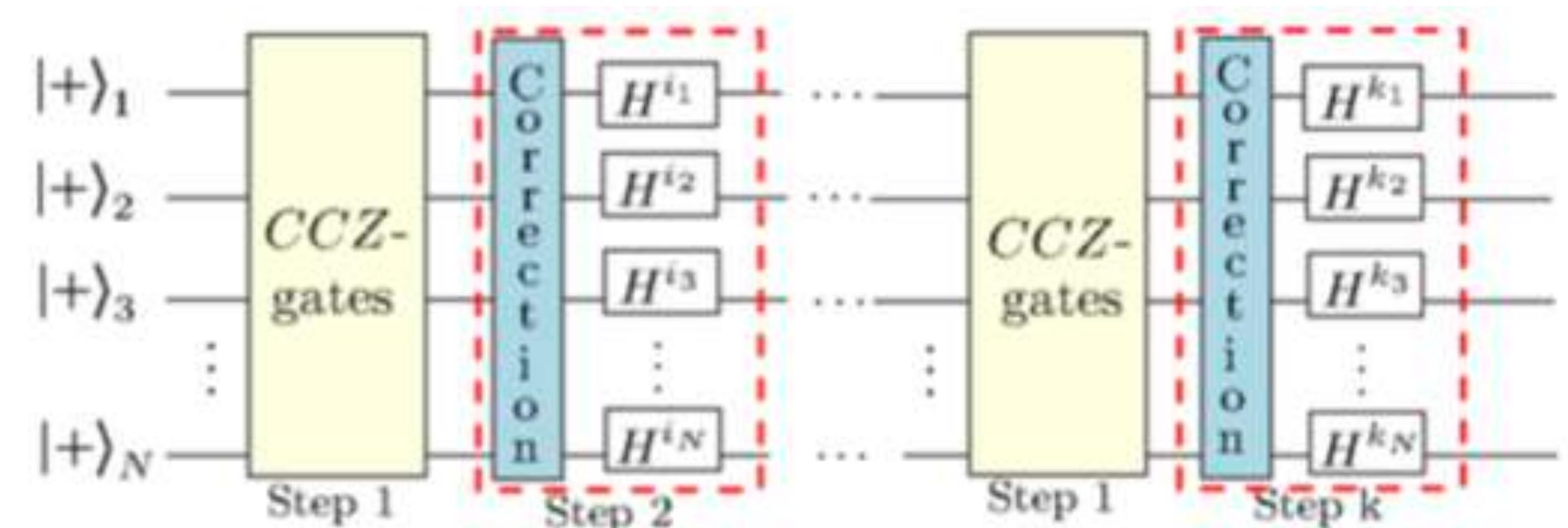
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# Theoretical Quantum optics



- Study the differences between quantum physics and classical physics
- How can quantum effects be used for computing and cryptography?

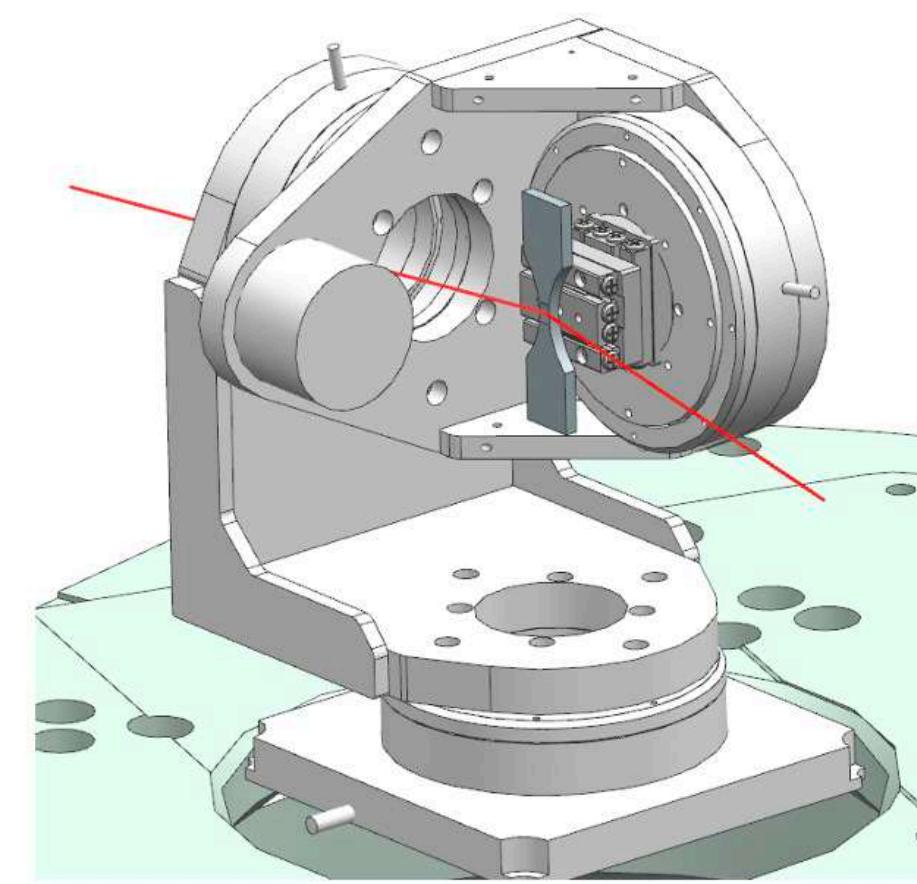


Stiftung  
Innovation in der  
Hochschullehre

# Solid State and x-ray physics

Structure and dynamics of 2D materials, biological matter and materials

**Methods: brilliant synchrotron radiation / ultra-short x-ray pulses / microscopes with atomic resolution**



**PETRA III (Hamburg)**



24 scientists

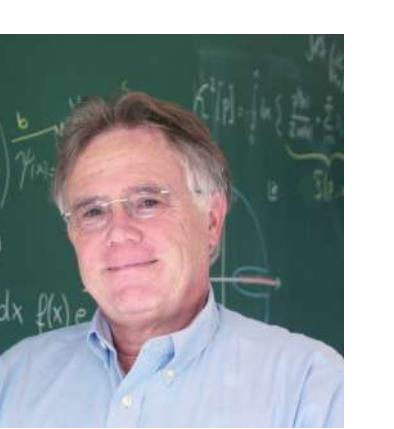
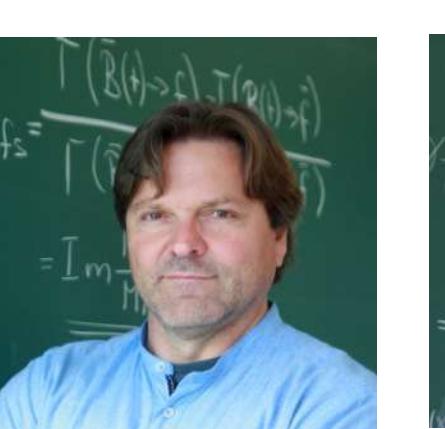
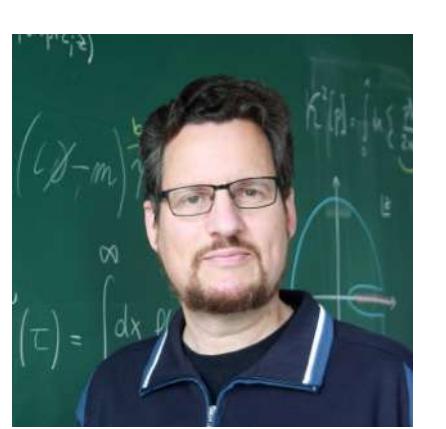
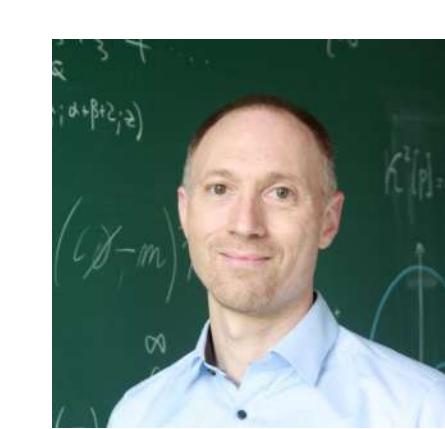
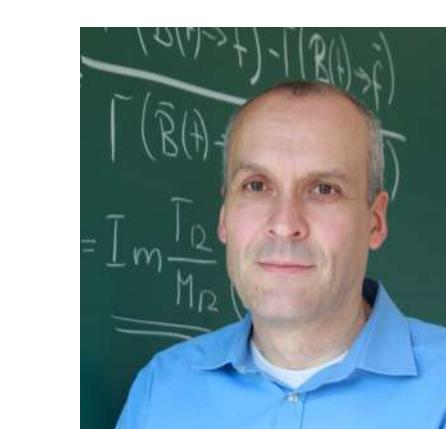
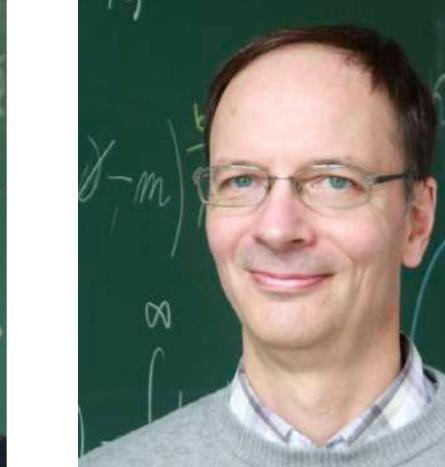
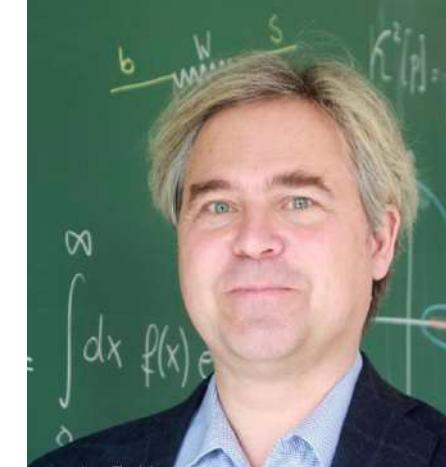


**Surface Science Labs (Siegen)**  
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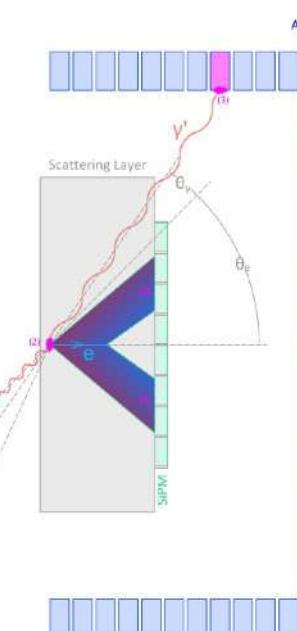
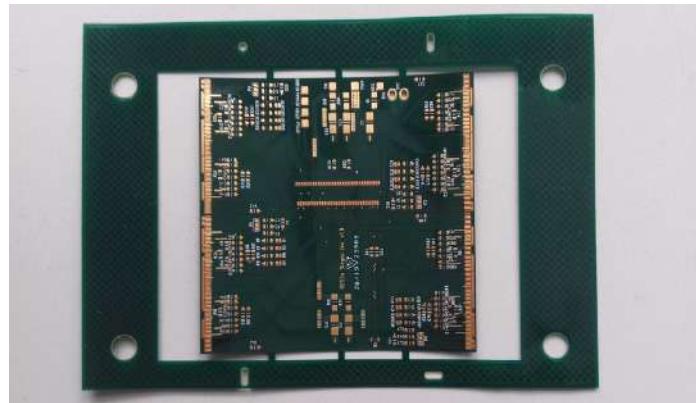


**European XFEL (Hamburg)**

# Particle physics



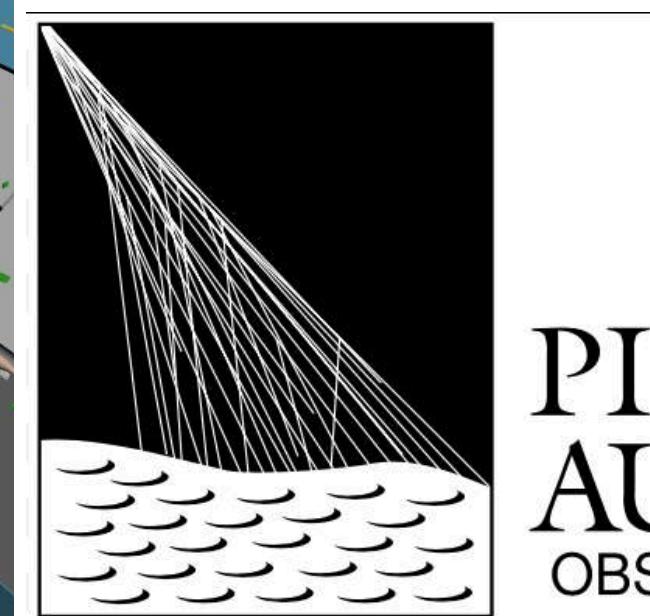
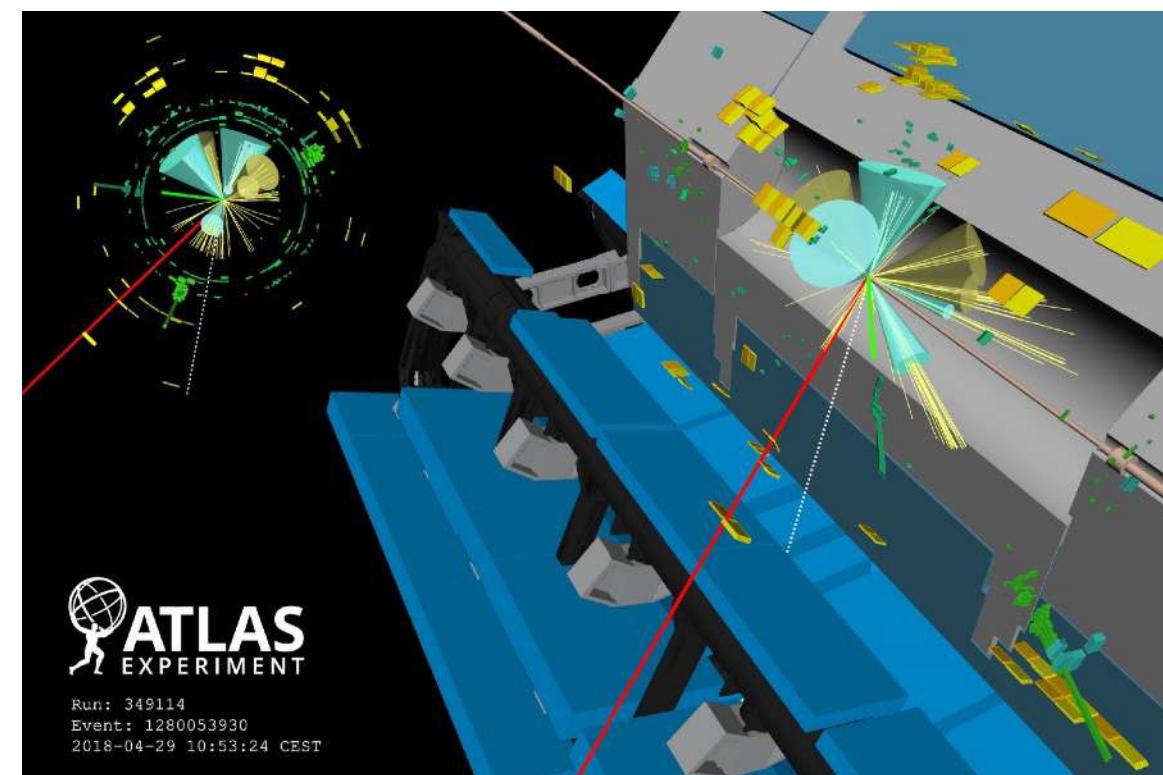
**Experimental particle physics**  
**40 scientists and technicians**



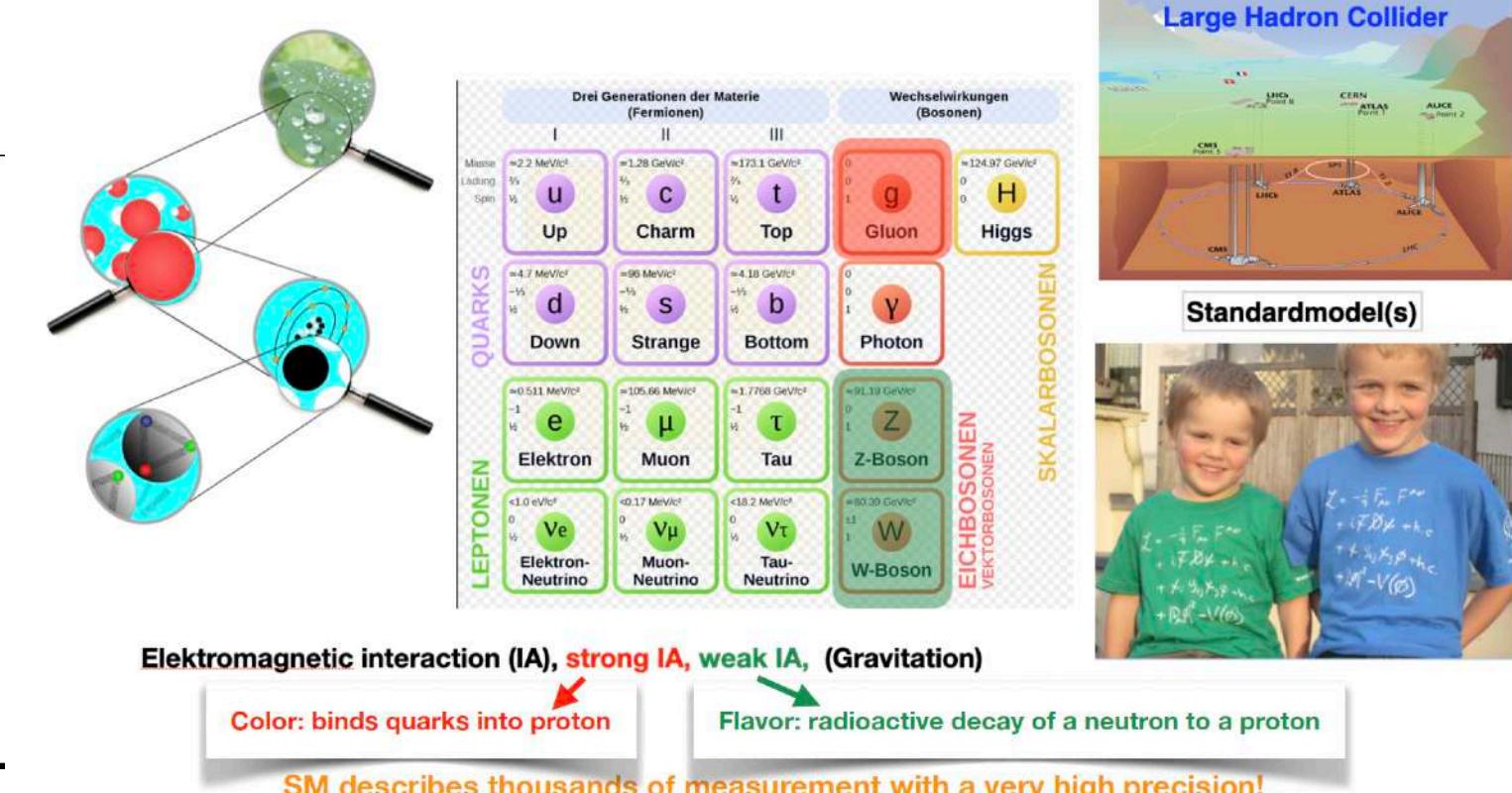
**Theoretical particle physics**

**37 scientists**

$$W^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{X_u} \frac{1}{2m_B} (2\pi)^3 \langle \bar{B} | J_H^{\dagger\mu} | X_u \rangle \langle X_u | J_H^\nu | \bar{B} \rangle \delta^{(4)}(p_B - q - p_{X_u})$$



**PIERRE AUGER  
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## THE STANDARD MODEL OF PARTICLE PHYSICS

ALL KNOWN FUNDAMENTAL PARTICLES IN THE UNIVERSE CAN BE CLASSIFIED AS MATTER CONSTITUENTS, FORCE CARRIERS AND PARTICLES RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CREATION OF MASS.

Quarks and leptons are the matter constituents. To a good approximation the proton is made of two **up** quarks and one **down** quark. There are also heavier copies of these two quarks: the **charm**, **strange**, **bottom** and **top** quarks.

The electron is a lepton and it has also heavier copies: the **muon** and the **tau** as well as neutral partners: the neutrinos.

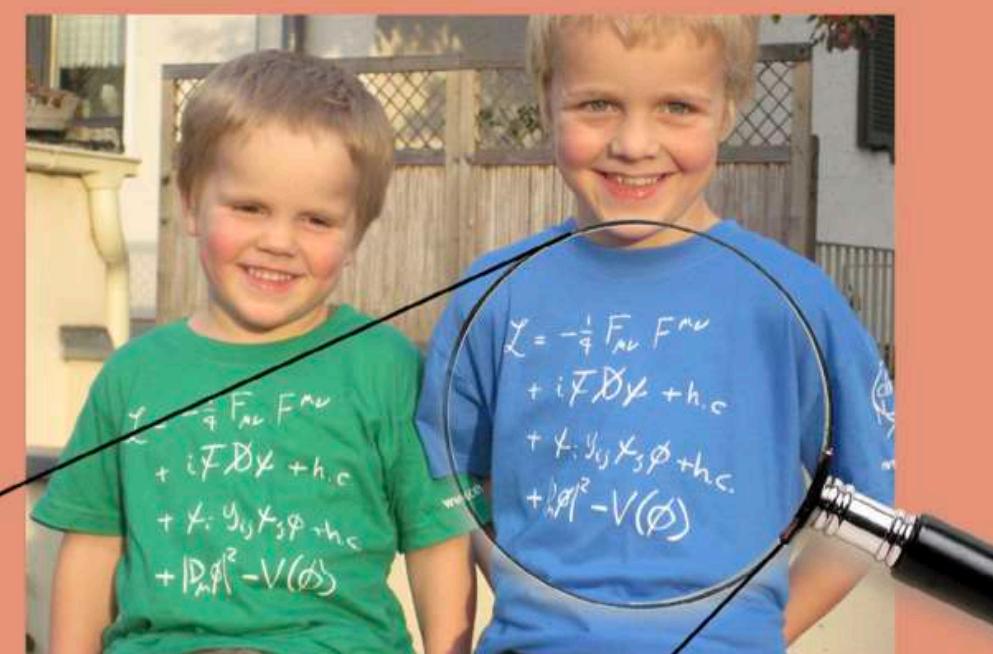
All known fundamental forces are transmitted via force carriers: the electromagnetic interaction by the **photon**, the strong interaction by the **gluon g** and the weak interaction by the **W** and **Z bosons**.

### STANDARD MODEL OF ELEMENTARY PARTICLES

THREE GENERATIONS OF MATTER			Force CARRIER	MASS GENERATION
u up	c charm	t top	g gluon	H Higgs
d down	s strange	b bottom	γ photon	
D <sub>s</sub> downstr.	D <sub>μ</sub> downstr.	D <sub>τ</sub> downstr.	Z Z boson	
e electron	μ muon	τ tau	W W boson	

**MASS GENERATION:** Having particles with a mass (as we observe in nature) leads to mathematical problems of our theory. A possible solution was the existence of a new, unknown particle, that was finally observed in 2012: the Higgs boson H.

Mathematically all properties of the fundamental particles and interactions can be encoded in the four line formula from page 3 - known as the Standard Model of Particle Physics.



$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + i\bar{F} \gamma^\mu F + h.c. + \bar{q}_i \gamma_\mu q_i + h.c. + \bar{L}_i \gamma_\mu L_i + h.c. + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - V(\phi)$$

**THE FIRST LINE** of the formula describes the force carriers.

**THE SECOND LINE** describes quarks and leptons as well as their interactions.

**THE THIRD LINE** makes quarks and leptons massive.

**THE LAST LINE** describes the Higgs particle.

**SO WHERE'S GRAVITY?** Gravity is not included because we do not have a quantum version of it and its effects are also negligible in the microworld.

## HOW DO WE KNOW ALL THIS?

OUR MICROSCOPES FOR LOOKING  
INTO THE SUB-ATOMIC WORLD  
ARE PARTICLE ACCELERATORS -  
THE BIGGEST ONE IS THE LARGE  
HADRON COLLIDER (LHC)

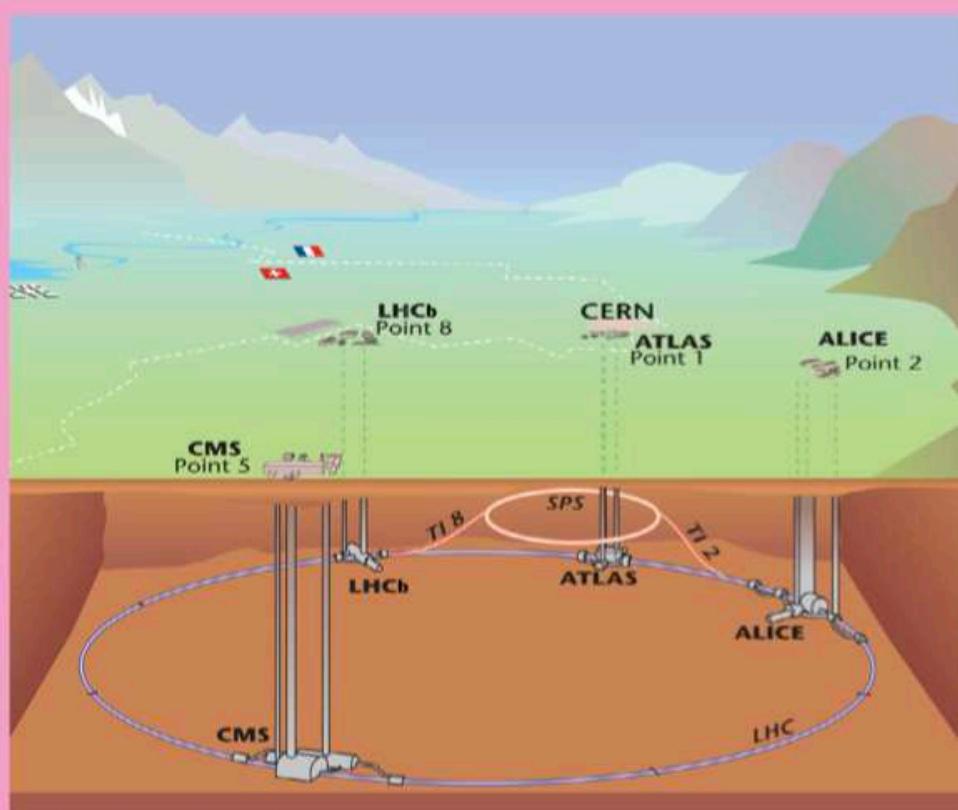
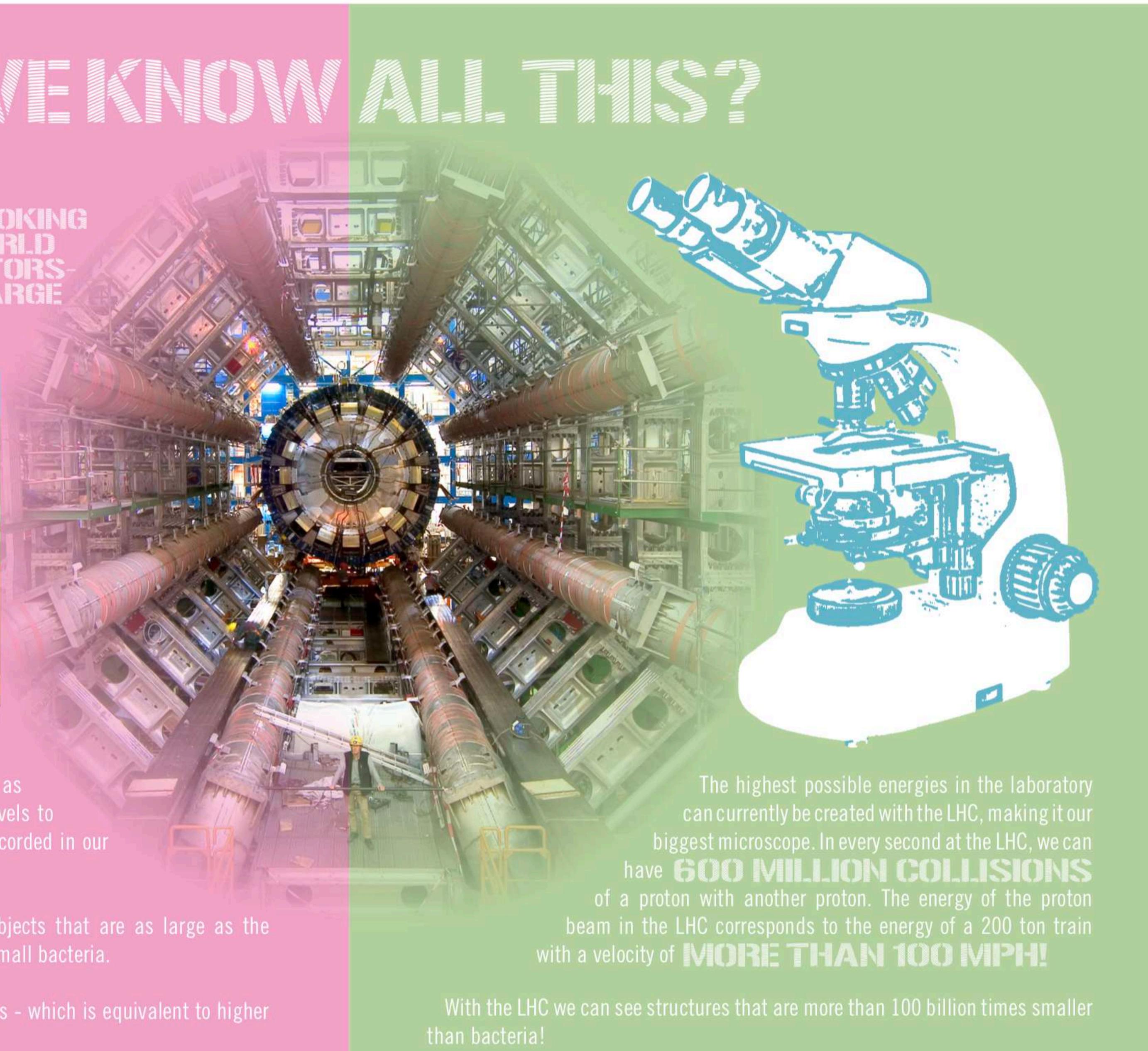


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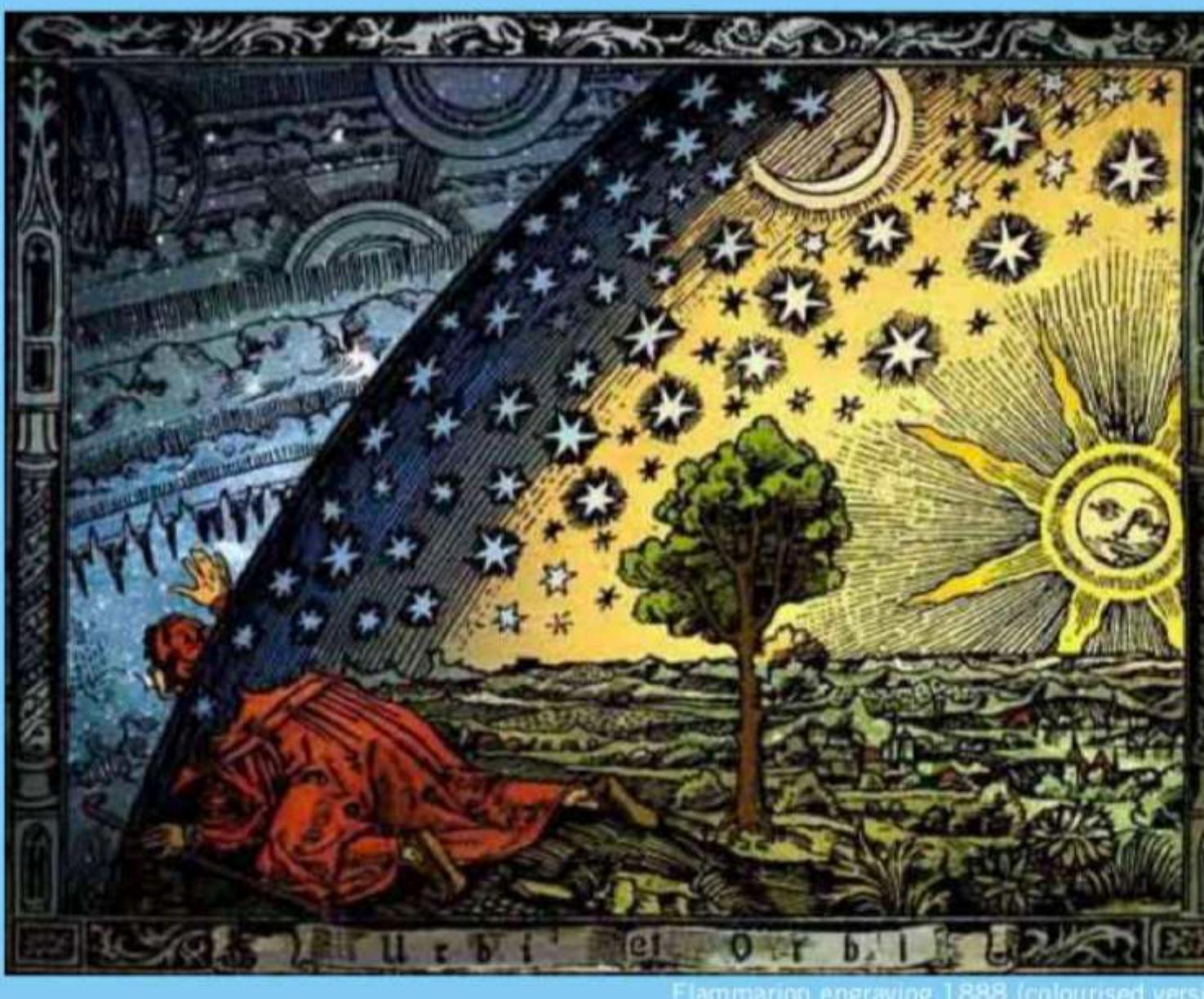
When we see an object, our eyes are working as detectors! Light is emitted by the sun and travels to Earth before bouncing off objects and being recorded in our eyes.

With a normal microscope we can only see objects that are as large as the wavelength of light, which is about the size of small bacteria.

For smaller objects we need shorter wavelengths - which is equivalent to higher energies.



## IS THERE ANYTHING BEYOND THE STANDARD MODEL?



Flammarion engraving 1888 (colourised version)

The enquiring mind of humankind is determined to look behind the curtain, representing the limit of current knowledge. Centuries ago this curtain was given by the borders of the known world - looking beyond these boundaries new countries were discovered, later we even reached out for the whole Universe. Besides making discoveries at larger and larger distance scales, we also started to investigate the smallest building blocks. Now the Standard Model is the limit of knowledge in the micro-world...

...WHAT LIES BEYOND?

### THE STANDARD MODEL IS EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL.

it accurately predicts  
hundreds of observables at the quantum level

$$a_e = \frac{g - 2}{2}$$

Predicted value =  $0.0011596521816(\pm 8)$  •  $a_e$  is the deviation of this coupling from 2  
Measured value =  $0.0011596521807(\pm 3)$  • Experiment and Standard model agree to an extremely high precision

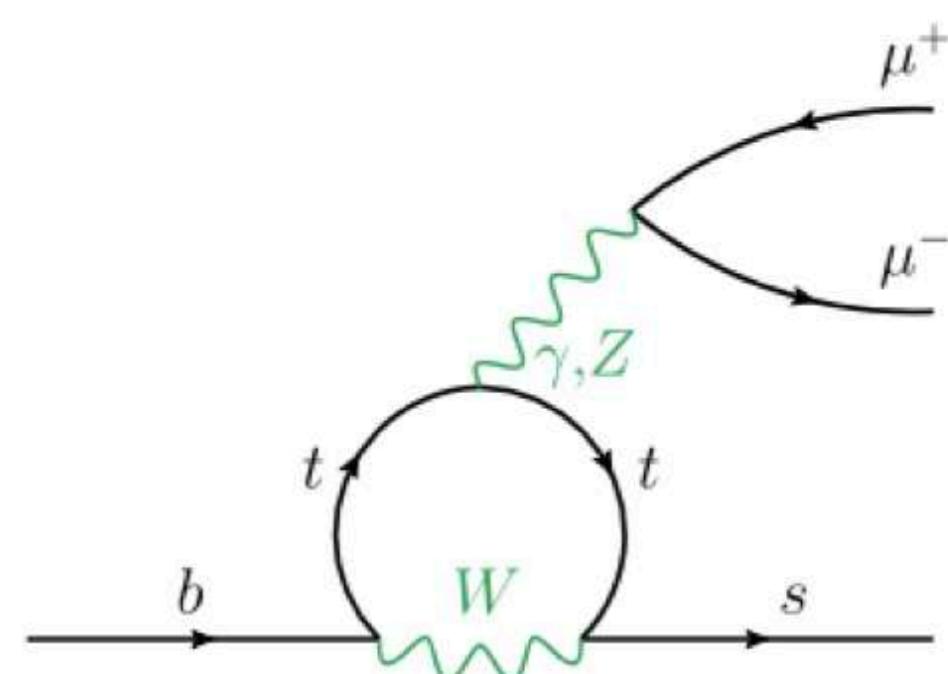
### BUT

it leaves many questions open, like

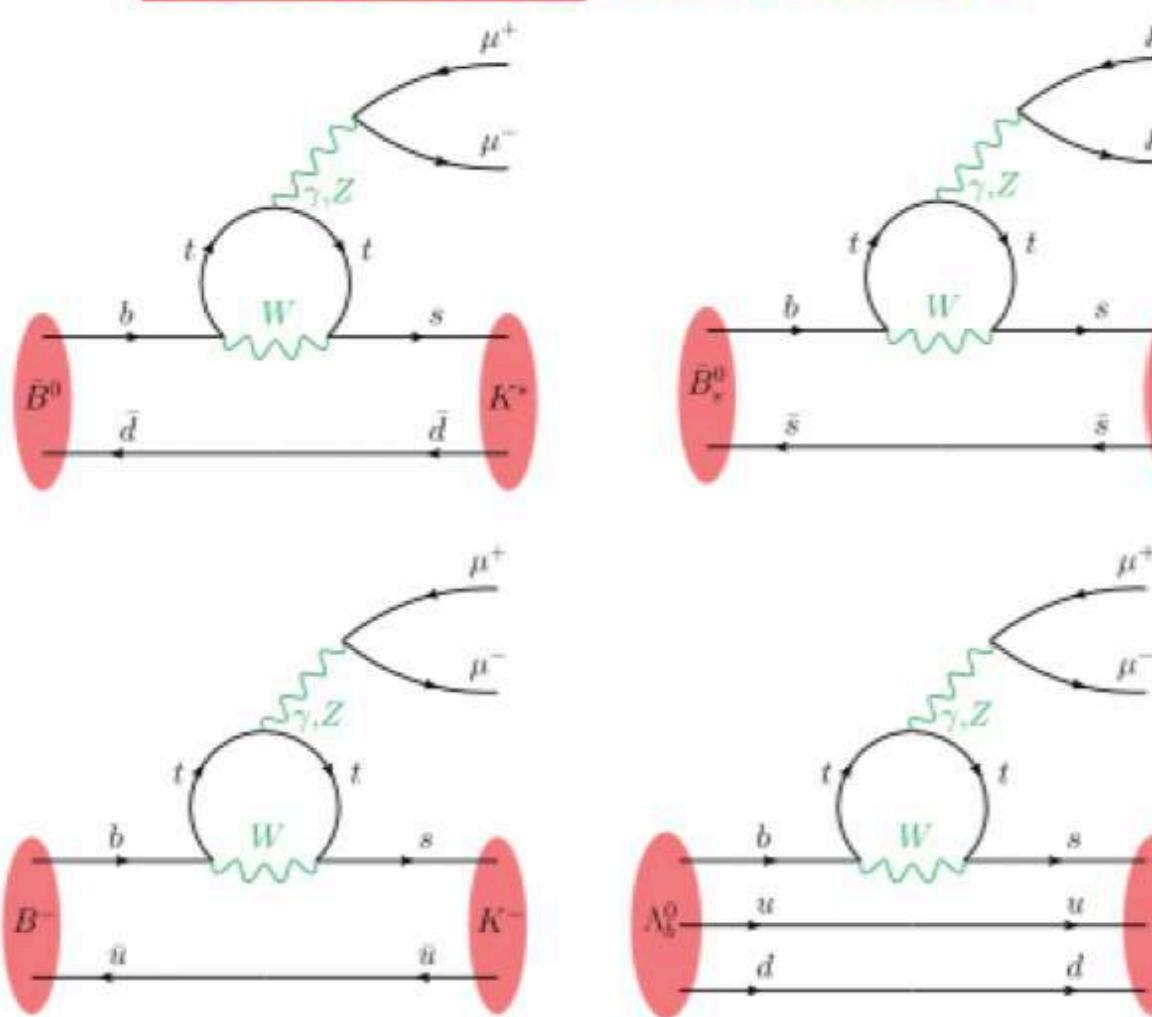
What is the origin of **DARK MATTER**?  
How was **MATTER CREATED** in the Universe?  
Why are **NEUTRINOS** almost **MASSLESS**?  
Why do we have three copies of **Quarks** and **LEPTONS**?  
Is there a **QUANTUM THEORY OF GRAVITY**?  
Why is the top **QUARK** SO MUCH HEAVIER than the **ELECTRON**?

## Flavour Physics

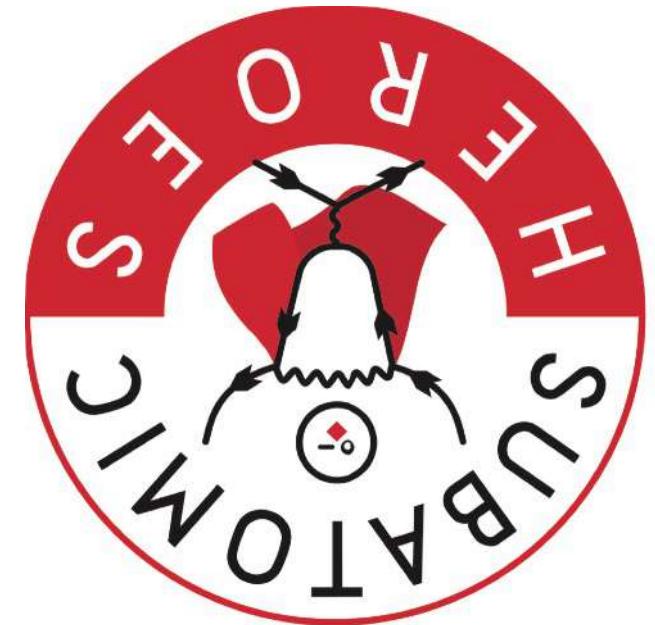
$b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$  weak decay



Hadronic structure



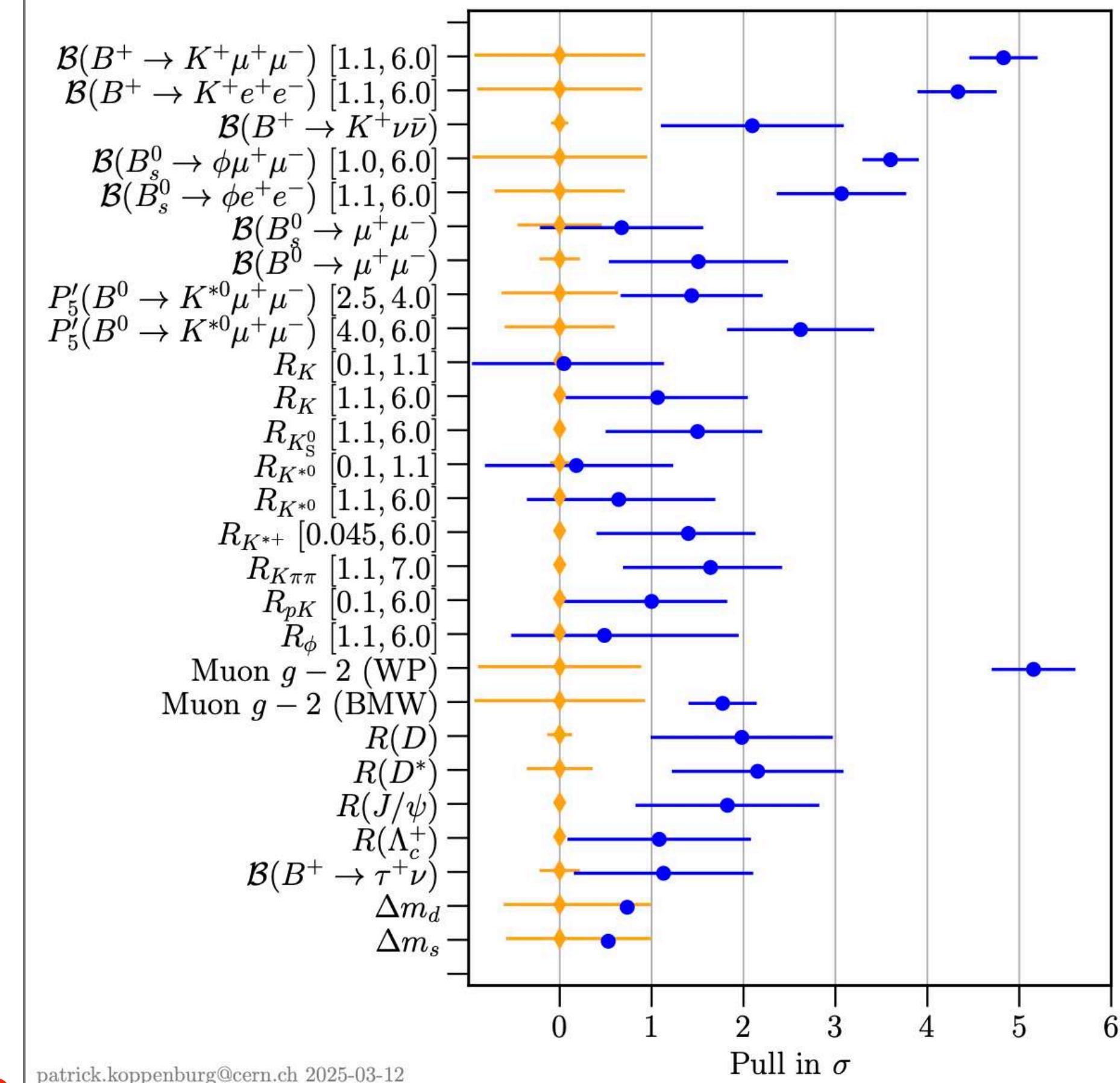
**Our speciality:  
Precise theory calculations**



Experiments at CERN (LHCb, ATLAS, CMS), KEK (BelleII) und BESIII

Theory

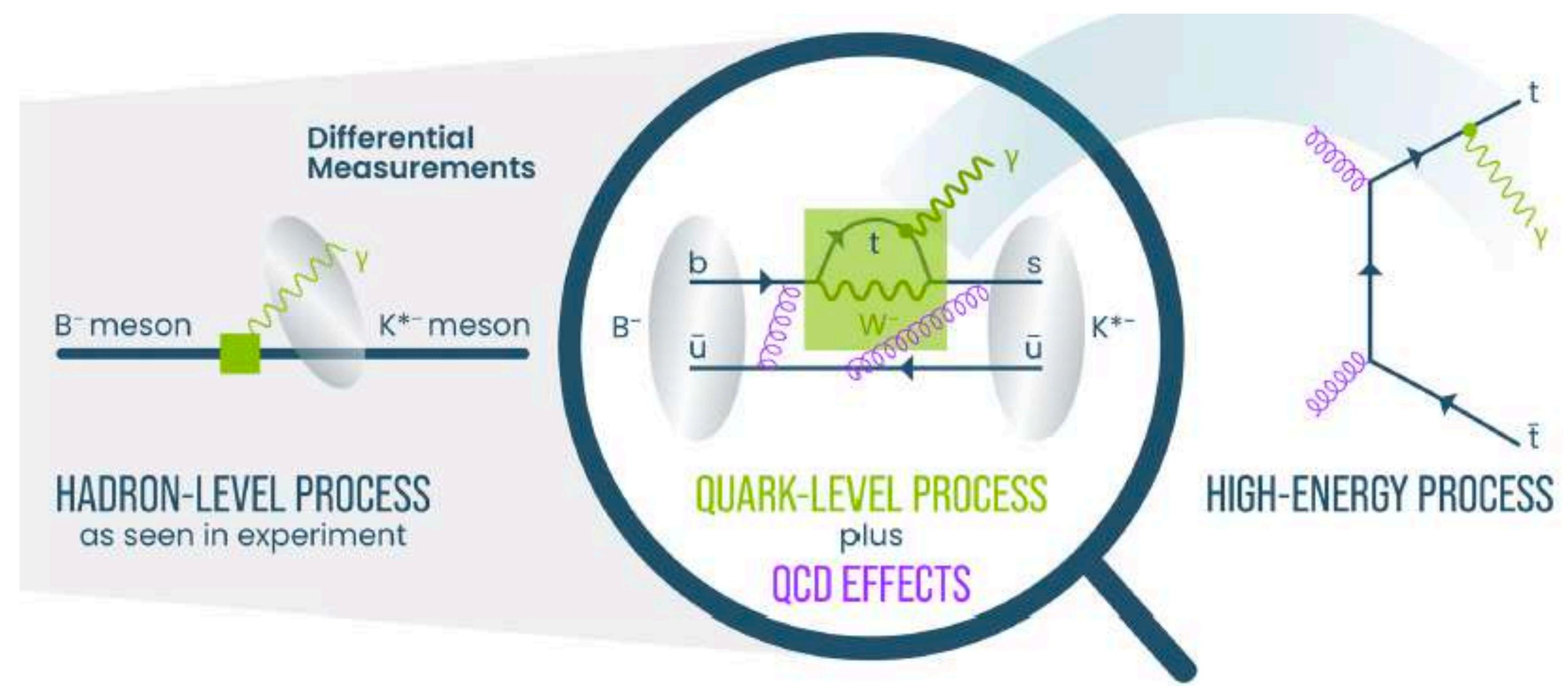
Experiment



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Deviations **might** point towards new physics, explain matter asymmetry, dark matter,...

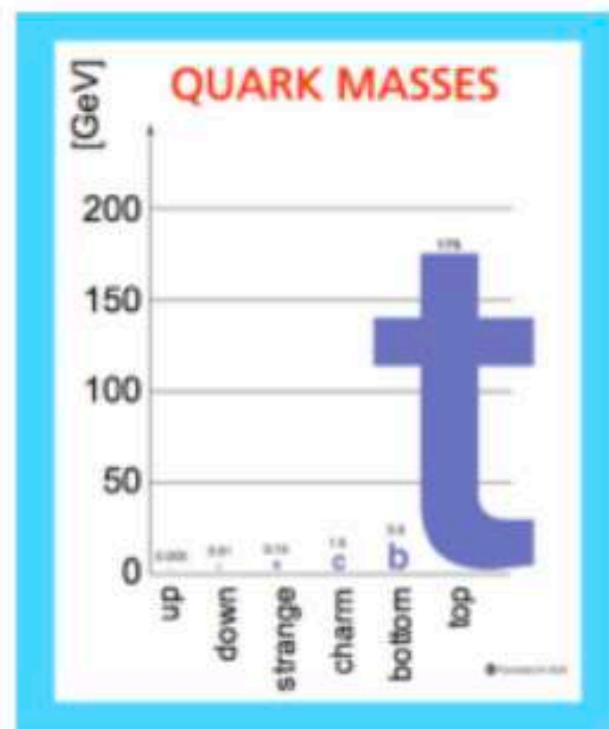
## Flavour Physics meets Top Physics



**Look for the properties of the top quark at the ATLAS detector**

### Top Quark : The heaviest Ingredient of our Universe

Since its discovery at the [Tevatron](#) in 1995, the top quark has been of major interest in studying the Standard Model (SM) and in the search for New Physics.



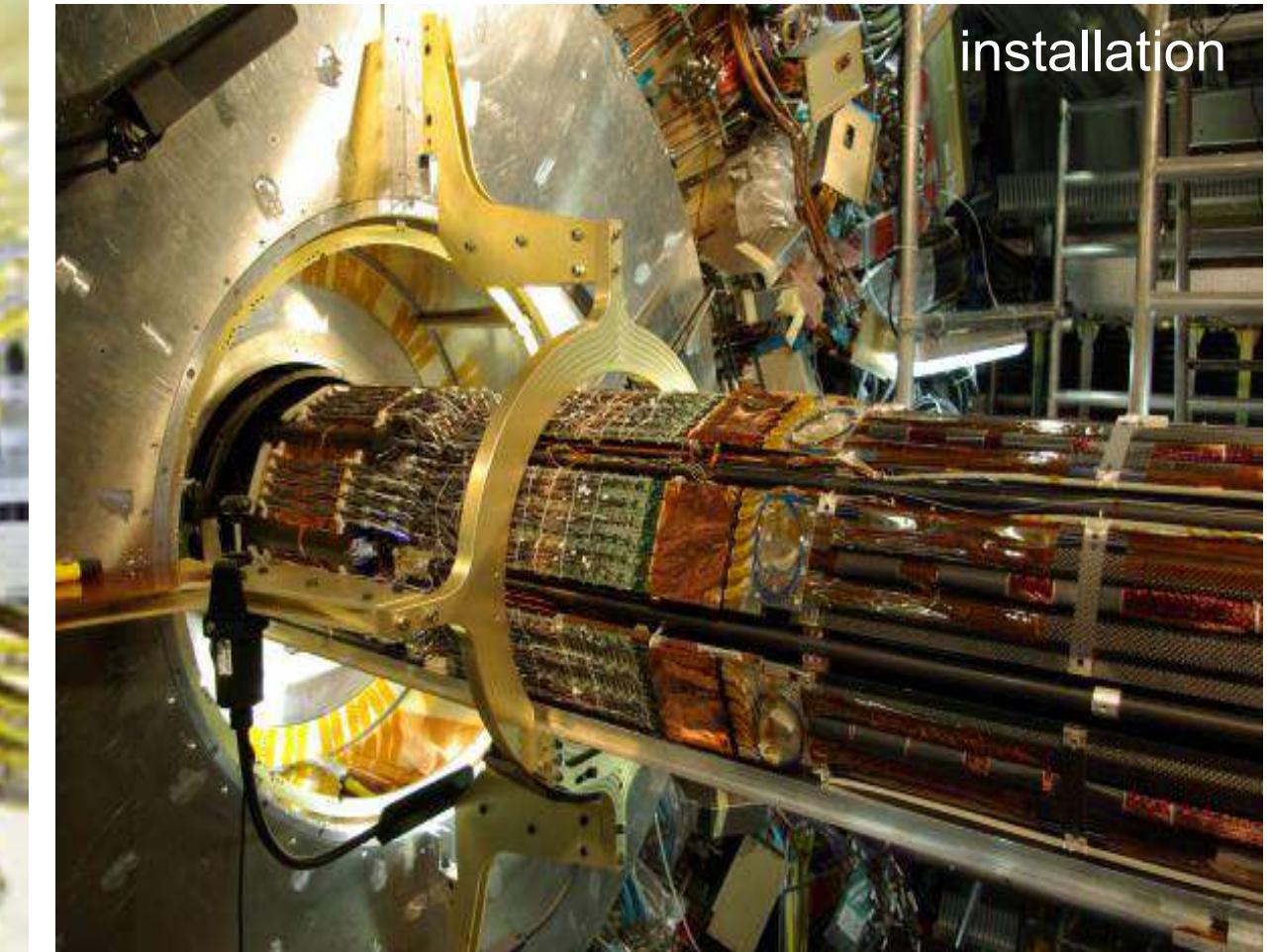
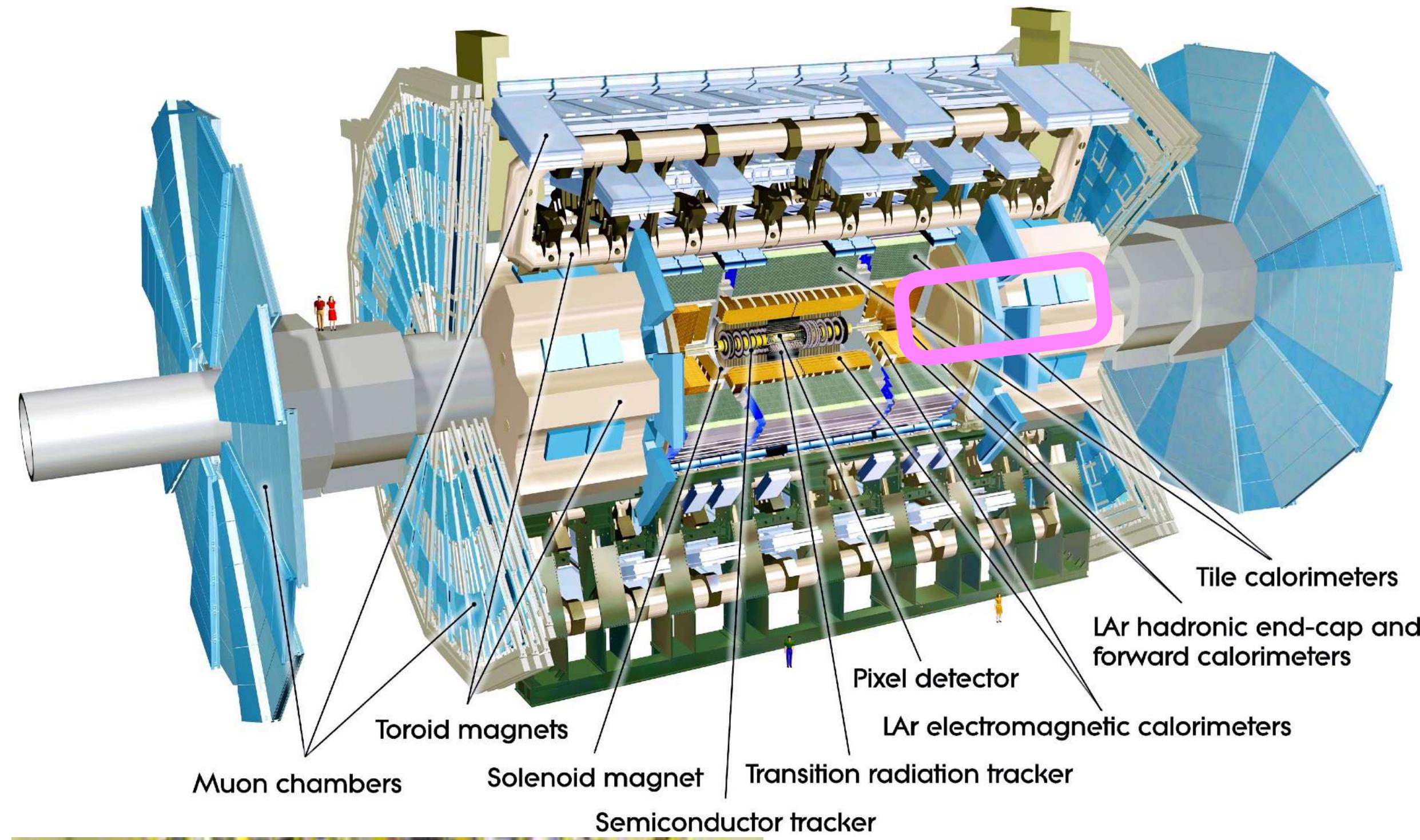
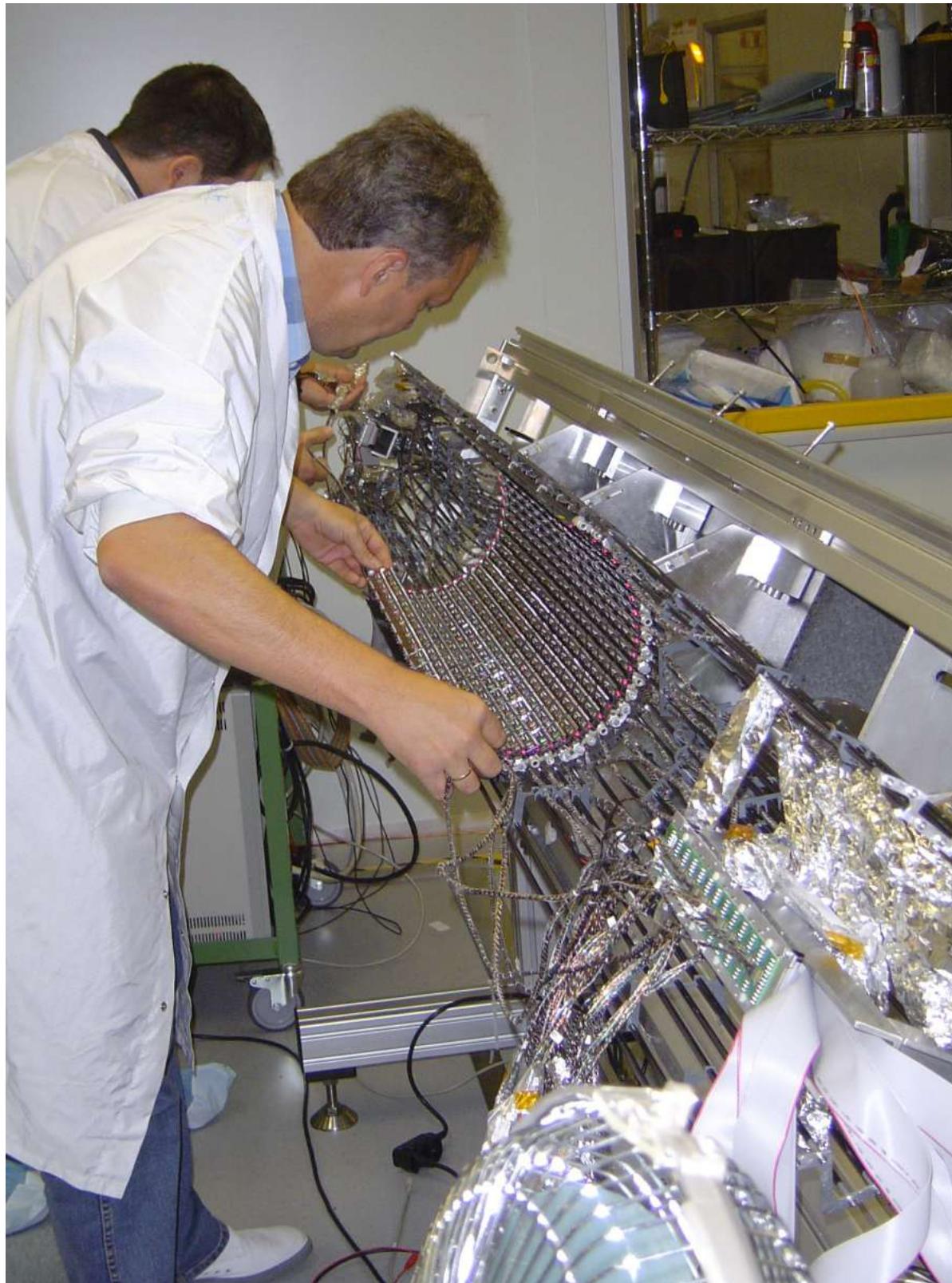
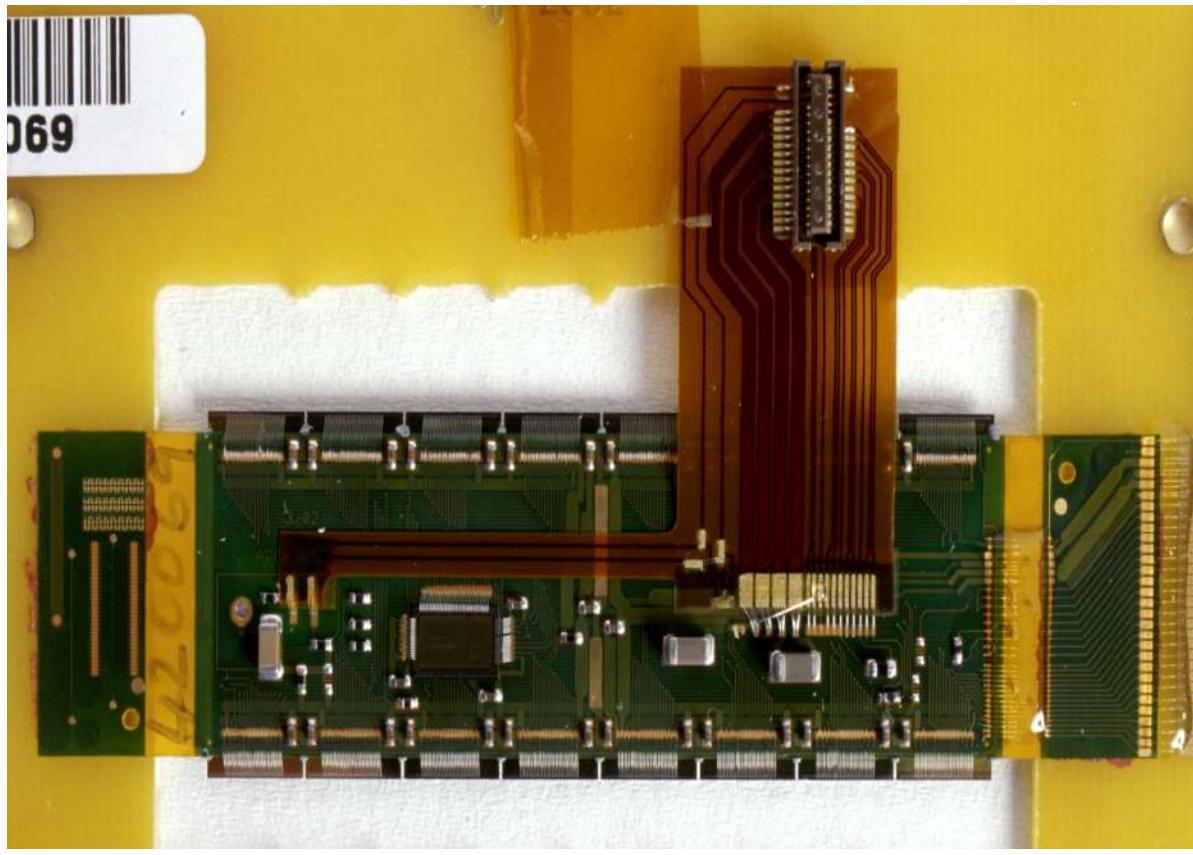
With a mass of 172.5 GeV, the top quark is the [heaviest](#) SM particle known to date.

It is a key tool to [probe the SM at high energies](#) and search for [new phenomena](#)

### The LHC is a Top Quark Factory

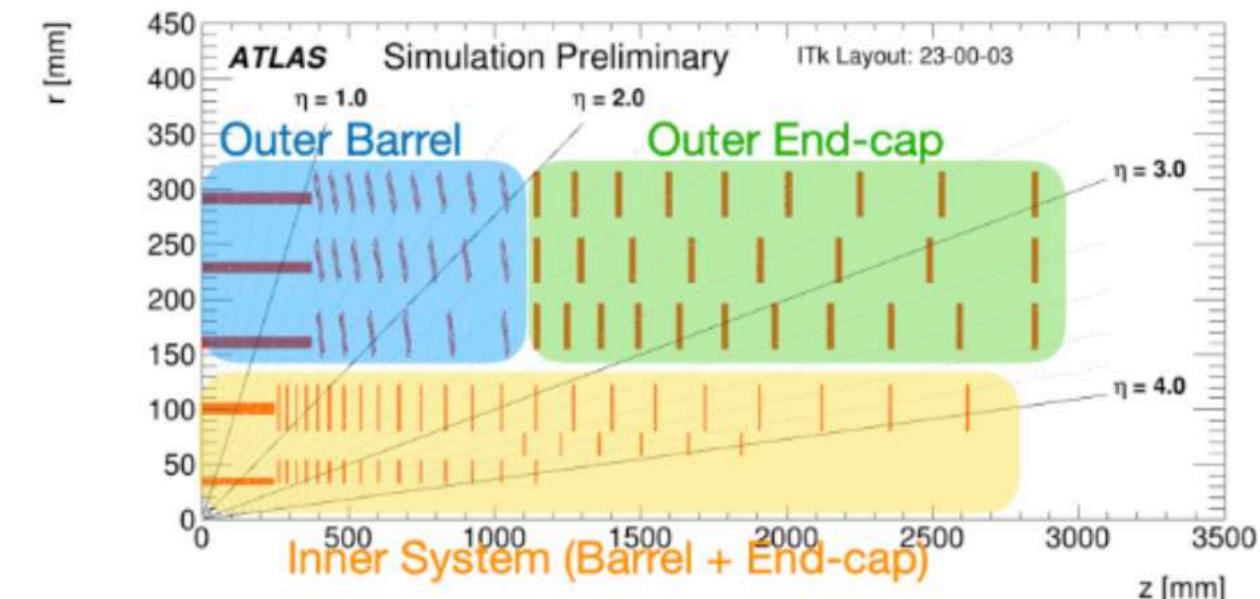
The high [centre-of-mass](#) energy of the LHC (13.6 [TeV](#) since 2022!) makes it a true top quark factory: more than 300 million top quarks produced!

# The ATLAS Pixel detector



**A new pixel detector is required for the High-Lumi LHC phase**

- Up to 200 simultaneous collisions
- $2 \rightarrow 13 \text{ m}^2$  silicon sensors
- $2000 \rightarrow 9400$  modules
- 92 Mega-Pixel  $\rightarrow$  5,1 Giga-Pixel



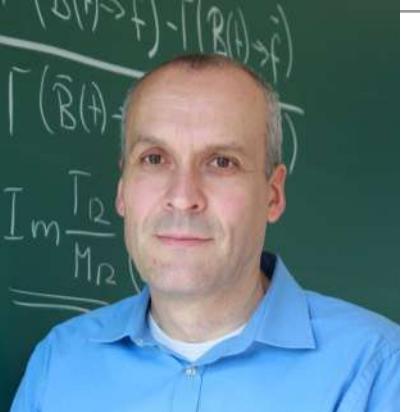
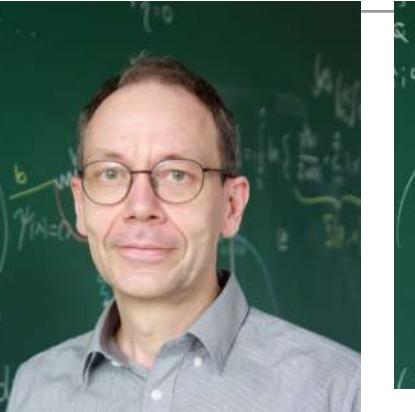
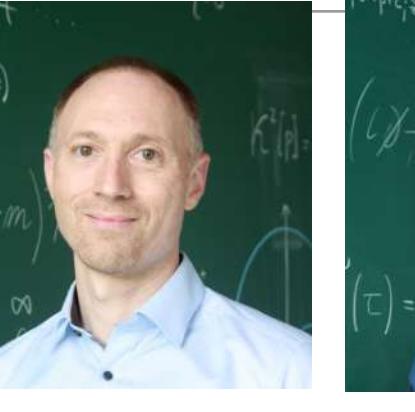
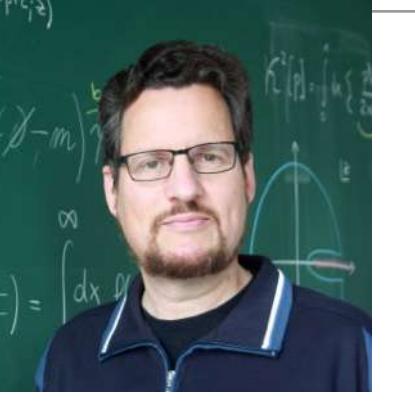
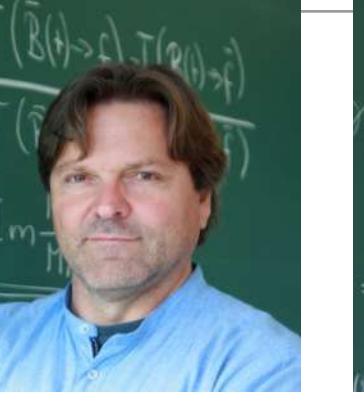
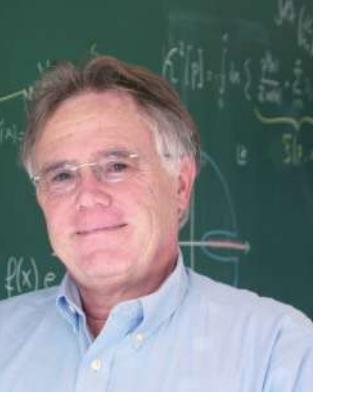
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**Diez Pardos**

**Fleck**

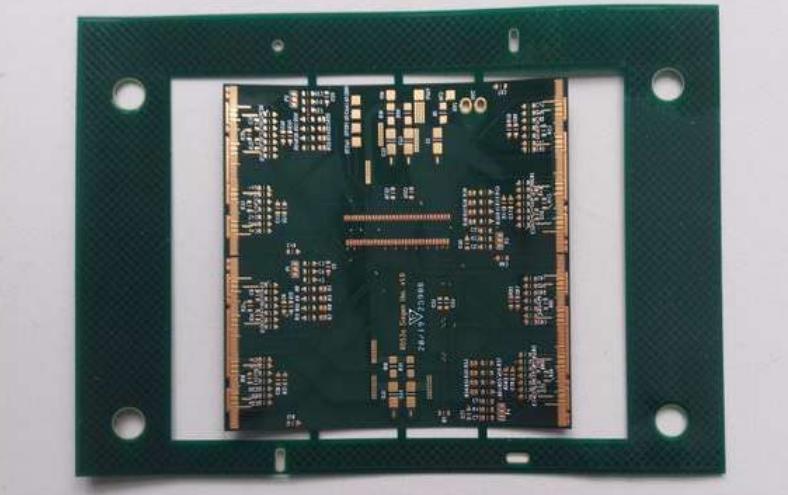
**Risse**

**Bell**

**Feldmann**

**Huber**

**Kilian**

**Lenz**

**Mannel**


**Experimental particle physics** 40 scientists and technicians

## Detector development

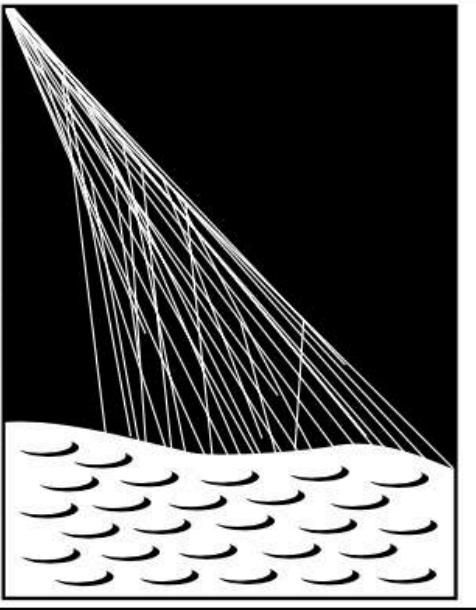
- Silicon pixel detector
- gasgefüllte Detektoren (Timepix)
- Silizium Photomultiplier (SiPM)
- 



## Data analysis

Develop methods for reconstruction and analysis (Machine Learning)

Analysis of top quark data at ATLAS



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- Search for the highest-energy photons
- Multimessenger astronomy
- Mass composition of cosmic rays
- Studies related to violations of Lorentz invariance in air showers



$$S_0(\tau, \nu) = 1 + \left(\frac{Z_\alpha \alpha_s}{4\pi}\right) (\mu^2 \tau^2)^\epsilon (\nu \tau)^\alpha S_R(\epsilon, \alpha)$$

$$+ \left(\frac{Z_\alpha \alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^2 (\mu^2 \tau^2)^{2\epsilon} \left\{ (\nu \tau)^\alpha S_{RV}(\epsilon, \alpha) + (\nu \tau)^{2\alpha} S_{RR}(\epsilon, \alpha) \right\} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$

$$F_{\gamma\pi}^{\text{LP}}(Q^2) = \frac{(e_u^2 - e_d^2)f_\pi}{\sqrt{2}Q^2} \int_0^1 dx T_2(x, Q^2, \mu_F) \phi_\pi(x, \mu_F)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = -Y_{ij}^{(u)} \bar{Q}_L^i \tilde{\Phi}_2 u_R^j - Y_{ij}^{(d)} \bar{Q}_L^i \Phi_1 d_R^j - Y_{ij}^{(\ell)} \bar{L}_L^i \Phi_1 \ell_R^j + \text{h.c.},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{12}(B_q) = \mathcal{M}_{12}(B_q)|_{\text{SM}} \left[ 1 + \frac{4\pi^2 \mathcal{C}_{qq}}{C_F^2 m_W^2 (V_{tb}^* V_{tq})^2 S_0(x_t)} \right]$$

Process	<small>MG5 aMC</small> $\sigma_{\text{LO}}[\text{fb}]$	<small>K</small>	<small>WHIZARD</small> $\sigma_{\text{NLO}}[\text{fb}]$	<small>K</small>	$\sigma_{\text{std}}$
$e^+ e^- \rightarrow ii$	622.70(5)	639.30(12)	1.027	622.737(8)	639.39(5)

$$W^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{X_u} \frac{1}{2m_B} (2\pi)^3 \langle \bar{B} | J_H^{i\mu} | X_u \rangle \langle X_u | J_H^{\nu} | \bar{B} \rangle \delta^{(4)}(p_B - q - p_{X_u})$$

**Theoretical particle physics** 37 scientists

## Theory

- Precision calculations within in beyond the Standard model (SM)
  - Flavour physics
  - Perturbative calculations
  - Effective Theories, SCET
  - Sum rules
  - Lattice simulations
- Monte Carlo Studies
- Investigations of models beyond the SM

**Largest theoretical flavour physics group in the world**



Data  
Analysis

Machine  
Learning

ATLAS  
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Flavour  
Physics

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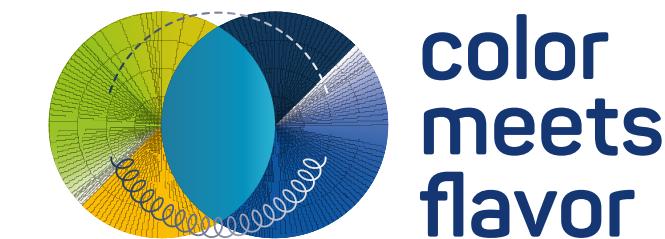
Lattice



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# Physics Studies in Siegen

- Bachelor (German)
- **Master (English)**

## General Master

### Focus area particle physics

- Focus area quantum optics and quantum information
- Focus area solid state physics

- Teaching in Physics
- MSc NanoScience and Nanotechnology
- MSc Quantum Science

[Link to brochure for master studies in particle physics](#)



**Master of Science (Physics)**  
Focus Area: Particle Physics  
Description of the Study Program

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# Particle Physics Master studies

The CPPS offers a two-year **Master of Science (Physics)** degree with focus on **particle physics**.

The study program is **research oriented**, i.e. after its successful completion you will be qualified to understand and participate in topical research in particle physics, e.g. by **undertaking a PhD project**.

The program is designed for **four semesters**:

1. In the **first two semesters** the students attend specialized **lectures, seminars and a laboratory course**  
**Can take longer depending on your previous education**
2. one semester of **preparation for research work**
3. **master thesis** to be prepared during the last semester  
**Thesis results often in a publication**

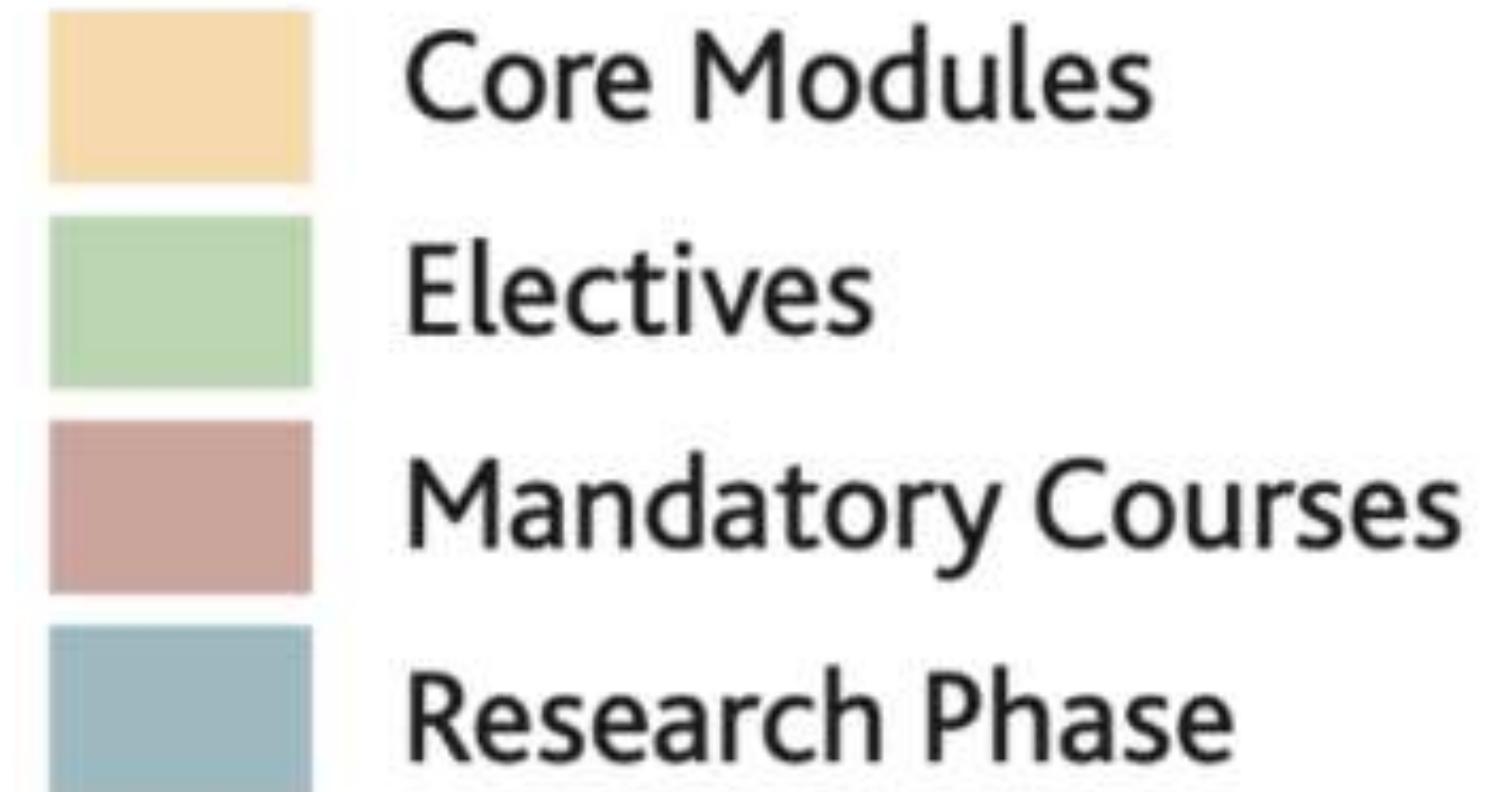


# Particle Physics Master studies

The curriculum offers ample flexibility to tailor your studies to your personal interests.

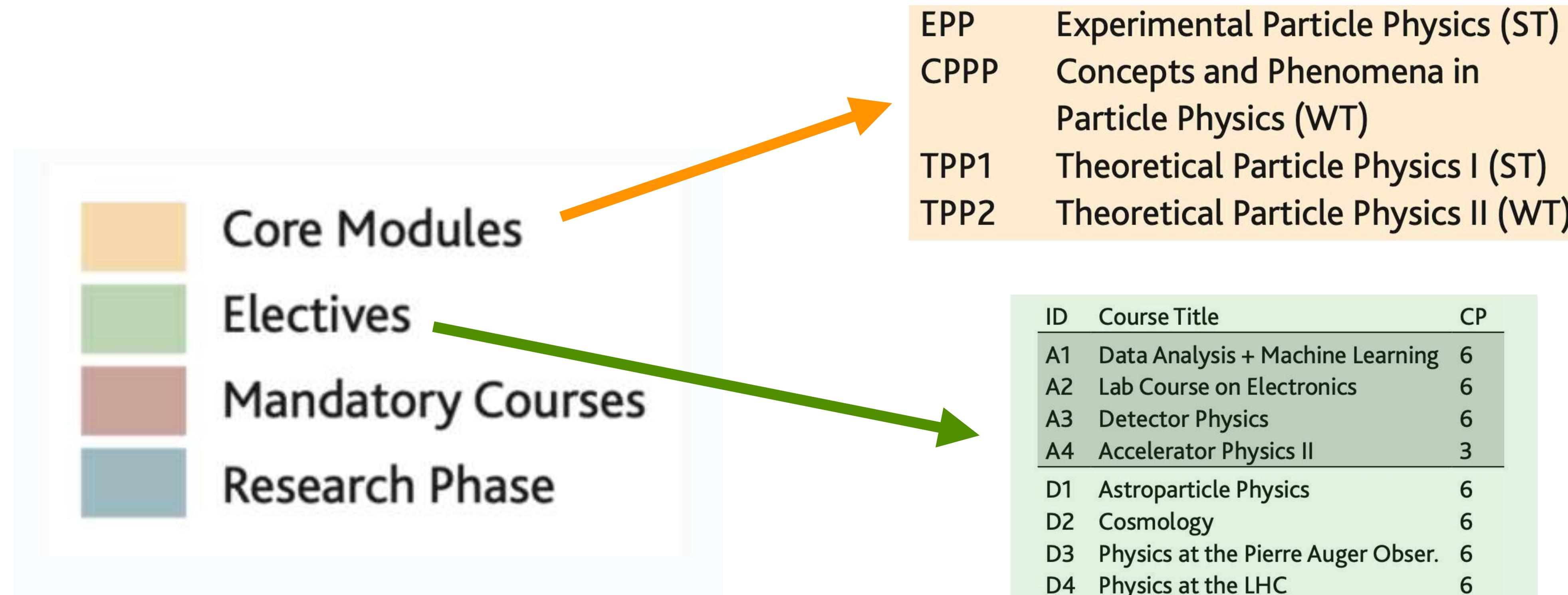
It is subdivided into four categories:

- 1. Mandatory Courses:** Laboratory Course and Master Seminar (15 CP)
- 2. Mandatory Electives:** Two **Core Modules** and one **Elective** in the chosen Focus Area (24 CP)
- 3. Electives:** Further **Core Modules** and **Electives** (21 CP)
- 4. Research Phase:** Preparation Phase, Training Phase and Master Thesis (60 CP)



# Particle Physics Master studies

For further information on the MSc course program, please consult  
[https://www.physik.uni-siegen.de/pruefungsamt/modbuchmsc\\_2019-en.pdf](https://www.physik.uni-siegen.de/pruefungsamt/modbuchmsc_2019-en.pdf)

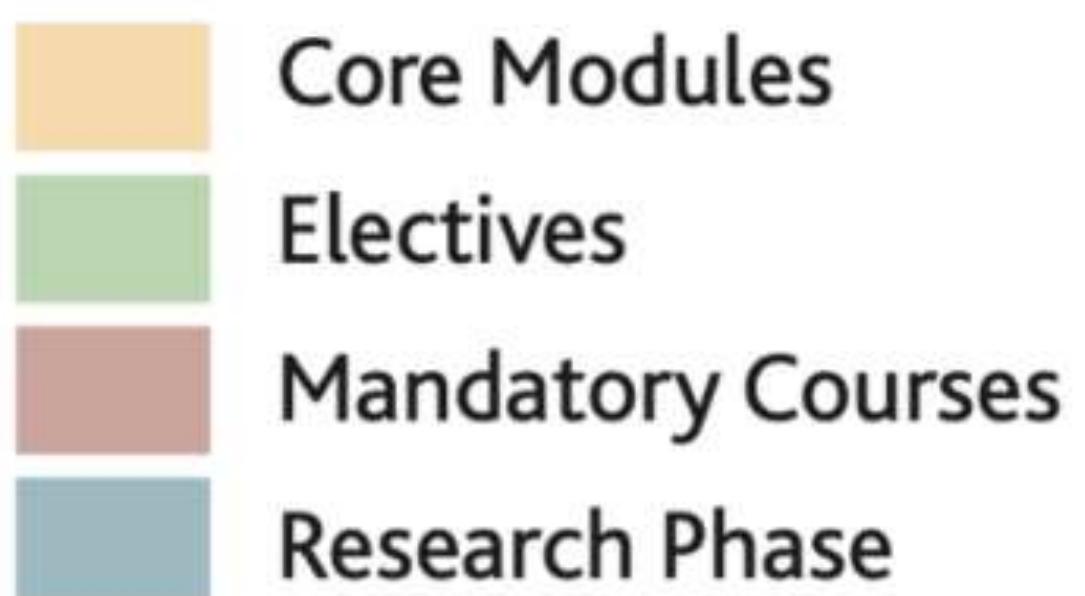


# Particle Physics Master studies

A student with interests in **experimental particle physics** may choose the following modules:

- **Core Modules:**
  - Experimental Particle Physics (EPP)
  - Concepts and Phenomena in Particle Physics (CPPP)
- **Electives:**
  - Physics at the Large Hadron Collider
  - Detector Physics
  - Flavour Physics
  - Machine Learning
  - Accelerator Physics II

Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4
EPP	Physics at the LHC	Oral Exam	
	CPPP		
Detector Physics	Flavour Physics		
Machine Learning			
Accelerator Physics II			
Master Seminar	Laboratory Course	Preparation + Training	Master Thesis



# Particle Physics Master studies

Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4
CPPP	Flavour Physics	Oral Exam	
	TPP 1		
Physics at the LHC	Hadron Physics		
Cosmology	Special Topics in QFT		
Laboratory Course	Master Seminar	Preparation + Training	Master Thesis

A student with interests in **theoretical particle physics** may choose the following modules:

- **Core Module:**

- Concepts and Phenomena in Particle Physics (CPPP)
- Theoretical Particle Physics 1 (TPP 1)

- **Electives:**

- Physics at the Large Hadron Collider
- Cosmology
- Flavour Physics
- Hadron Physics
- Special Topics in Quantum Field Theory

# Additional online Courses

<https://color-meets-flavor.de/education/lectures>



ABOUT NEWS RESEARCH EDUCATION & OUTREACH

## Joint “Color meets Flavor” Lectures

The following advanced lectures in hadron and particle physics, offered jointly by the University of Bonn, TU Dortmund University, and the University of Siegen, are open to Master students and doctoral students from all three institutions. Participation is possible both in person and via Zoom. Under the title “Color meets Flavor”, the lectures explore and integrate key topics in quantum chromodynamics and flavor physics.

Credits obtained in these courses are officially recognized by all three universities. Please coordinate your course selection and credit transfer with the designated contact persons at your home institution. A form for use at TU Dortmund University is available [here](#).

Bonn

Theoretical Physics

### Theoretical Hadron Physics

Prof. Dr. Christoph Hanhart  
Dr. Andreas Nogga

Lecture:

Wednesday, 13:00-16:00

The lecture starts on October 15, 2025. Please write to the lecturers if you would like to participate via Zoom from Dortmund or Siegen.

[Module Description \(PDF\)](#)

Experimental Physics

### Accelerator Physics

Prof. Dr. Sebastian Neubert

Lecture:

Tuesday, 10:15-11:45

Thursday, 10:15-11:45

The lecture starts on October 14, 2025. Please write to the lecturer if you would like to participate via Zoom from Dortmund or Siegen.

[Module Description \(PDF\)](#)

Experimental Physics

### Physics of Particle Detectors

Prof. Dr. Jochen Dingfelder

Lecture:

Tuesday, 12:15-14:00

Thursday, 14:15-16:00

The lecture starts on October 14, 2025. Please write to the lecturer if you would like to participate via Zoom from Dortmund or Siegen.

[Module Description \(PDF\)](#)

Siegen

Theoretical Physics

### Introduction to Lattice Field Theory

Dr. Oliver Witzel

Lectures:

Thursday, 10:15-11:45

Friday, 10:15-11:45

(alternating between lecture and tutorial)

The lecture starts on October 23, 2025. Please write to the lecturer if you would like to participate via Zoom from Bonn or Dortmund.

[Announcement \(PDF\)](#)

Theoretical Physics

### QCD Sum Rules for Flavor Physics

Prof. Dr. Alexander Khodjamirian

Block course of lectures taking place in Siegen from February 9 to 17, 2026, 10:15-11:45. Please write to the lecturer if you would like to participate via Zoom from Bonn or Dortmund.

[Announcement \(PDF\)](#)

# Previous Topics for Master theses

## Master

Area	Date	Name	Title of Thesis
Experiment	2024	Tim Lukas Fehler	Hybrid Search for Photons with the Low-Energy Extensions of the Pierre Auger Observatory
Theory	04/2023	Dennis Heinemann	Study of $e^+ e^-$ jet-rates in Soft-Collinear Effective Theory
Experiment	04/2023	Kaveh Kooshkjalali	Design, Construction, and Testing of a Cherenkov Coincidence Detector for Proton Beam Therapy
Theory	01/2023	Christian Schneider	Gradient-flow scale setting with tree-level improvement
Theory	01/2023	Daniel Busch	Classifying the Flavour Sector in Extensions of the Standard Model via Froggatt-Nielsen Charges
Theory	11/2022	Jakob Müller	Schranken an Physik jenseits des Standardmodells durch Lebensdauern von B Mesonen
Experiment	08/2022	Chiara Papior	Evaluating the capabilities of the Pierre Auger Observatory to search for axion-like particles
Theory	09/2022	Sebastian Edelmann	Next-to-Next-to-Leading Order Real-Virtual Corrections to Soft Functions with Massive Partons
Theory	09/2022	Anastasia Boushmelev	Quark masses and the heavy quark expansion
Experiment	11/2021	Vakhtang Ananiashvili	Improving the tttt event selection with Graph Neural Networks in multilepton final states at the ATLAS detector
Theory	07/2021	Sven Münker	Automated Calculation of Soft Functions for Massive Partons at Next-to-Leading Order
Theory	02/2021	Gustavo Adolfo Lara-Sánchez	Impact of TeV Scalar Leptoquarks on Flavor-violating Higgs Decays: An effective Field Theory approach
Experiment	12/2020	Tim-Philip Hücking	Pseudo Experiment Based Studies with RooFit of Fits to Events Weighted by the SPlot Technique for Application in the ATLAS B-Physics Data Analysis
Experiment	11/2020	Niklas Schwan	Improving Four-Top-Quark Event Classification with Deep Learning Techniques using ATLAS Simulation
Experiment	10/2020	Anna Bobrikova	Predicting the UHE photon flux from GZK-interactions of hadronic cosmic rays using CRPropa 3
Experiment	08/2020	Jan Joachim Hahn	Measurement of X-ray photons using an INGRID chip
Experiment	06/2020	Agha Mohammad Raza	Determination of Background from Misreconstructed Electrons in $t\bar{t}\gamma$ Single Lepton Channel at the $\text{Sqrt}[s]=13$ TeV with $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ of ATLAS Data

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# Living in Siegen

## Low living costs



No tuition fees - administrative fee of currently 333 Euro per term



## Low living costs

Ranking of average renting costs in German university towns: Siegen ranks last, i.e. the lowest costs :-)

Quelle: empirica-Preisdatenbank (Basis: VALUE Marktdaten)

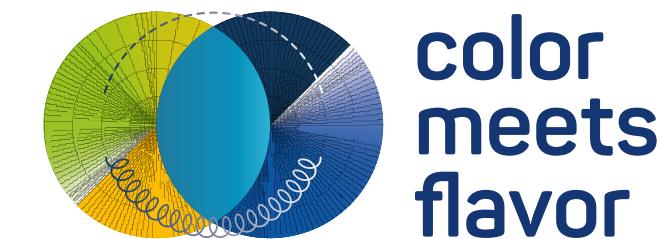


### Lebenshaltungskosten in Siegen

Index	
Lebenshaltungskosten-Index (ohne Miete):	55,81
Miet-Index:	13,08
Lebensmittel-Index:	60,00
Gaststätten-Index:	49,28
Index Lebenshaltungskosten + Miete:	36,85
Örtliche Kaufkraft:	137,08

Compared to 100

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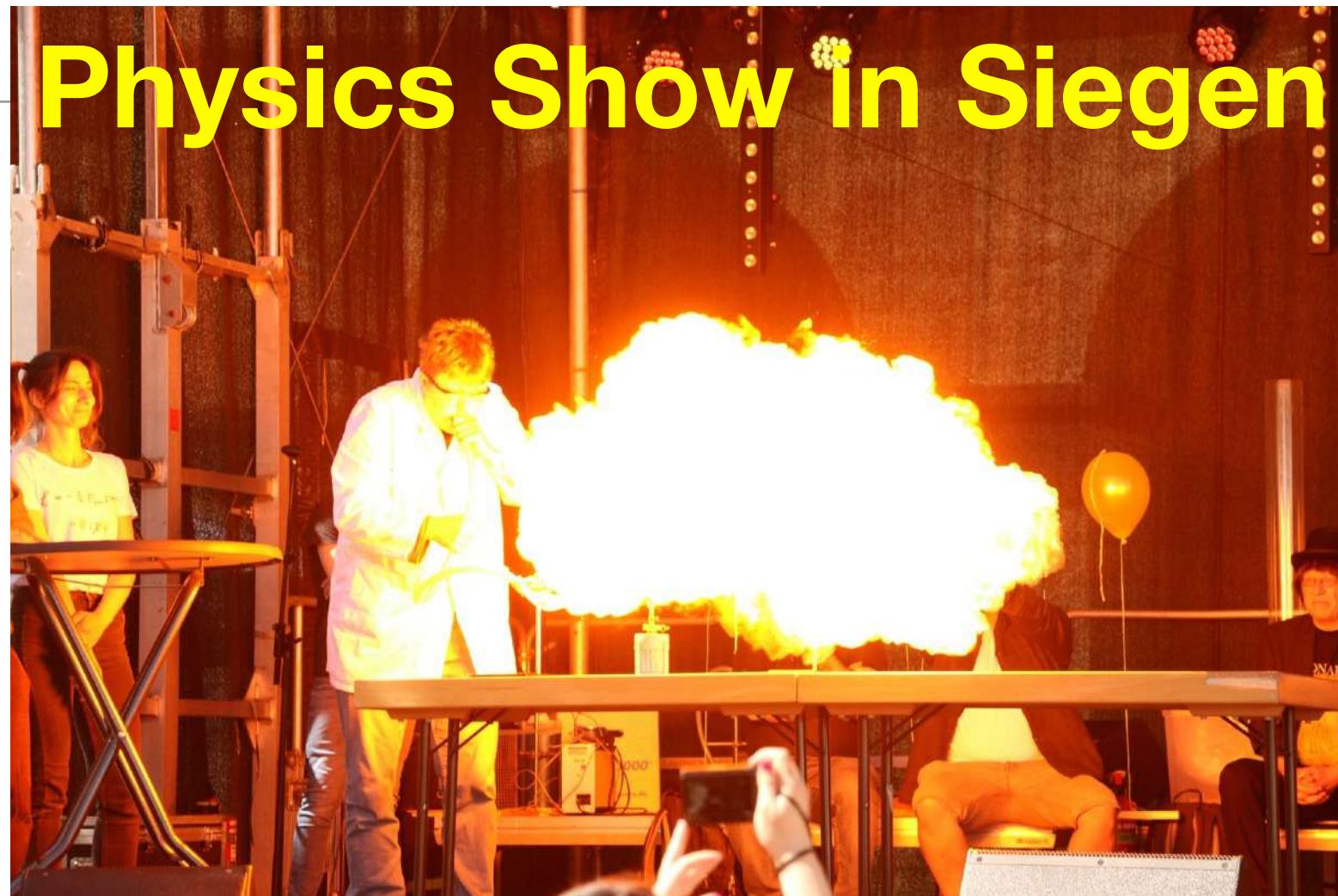
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- 5) Master studies in Siegen
- 6) Living in Siegen
- 7) Physics fun in Siegen
- 8) Summary & How to apply**



# Studying Physics in Siegen - where else?

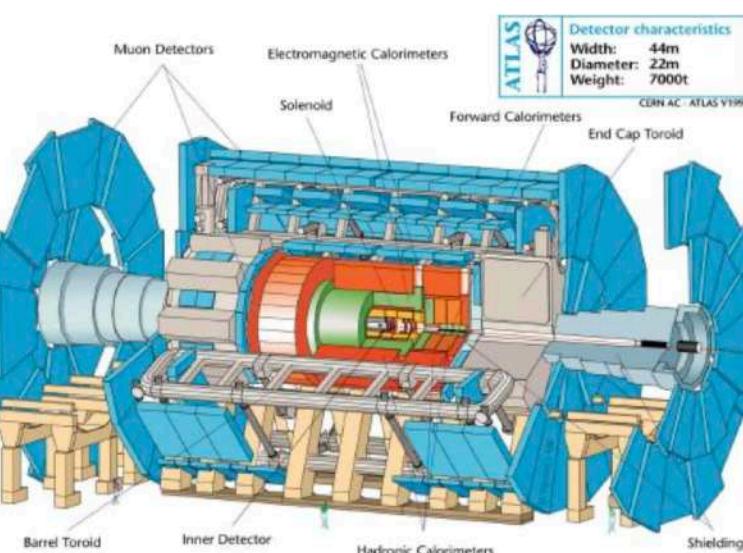
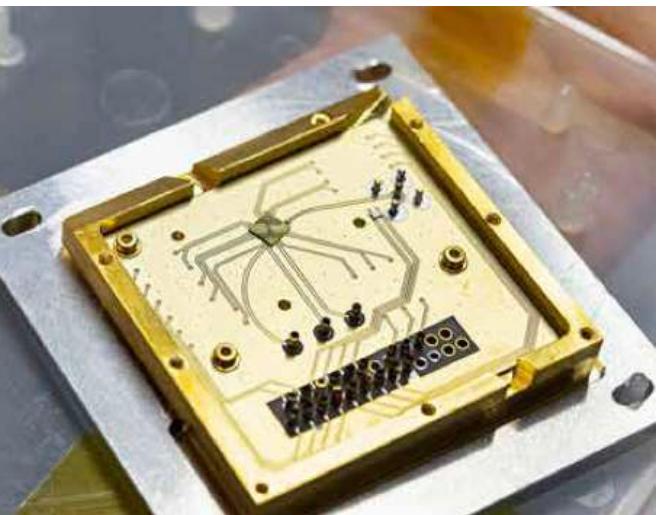
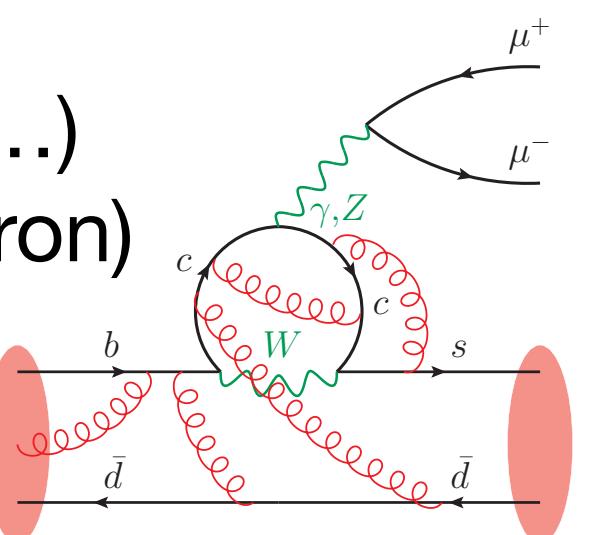
## 1. Sensational Staff-student ratio

excellent student satisfaction -- classes taught in English



## 2. World leading in several areas, e.g.

- Theoretical flavour physics (Large 3rd party funding projects,...)
- Experimental quantum optics (own quantum computer, EleQtron)
- Experimental particle physics (ATLAS @ CERN, Auger,...)
- X-ray physics (DESY,...) ...

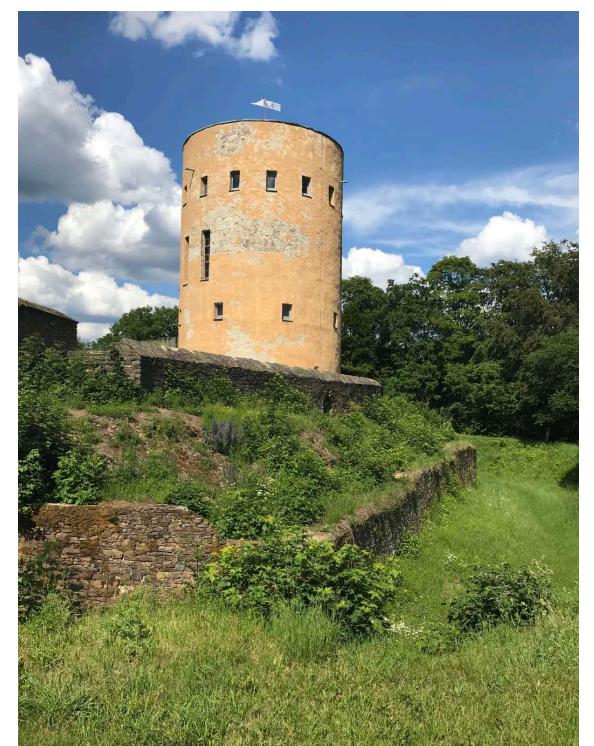


## 3. Low living costs

Lowest renting costs in Germany

no-tuition fees

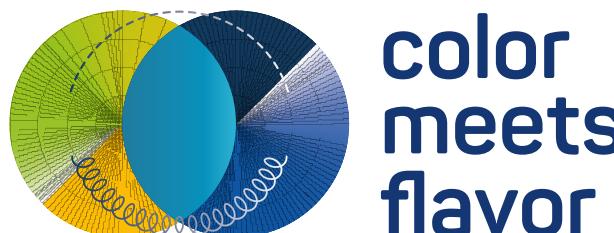
Administrative fee of currently 333 Euro per term



## 4. Amazing nature

Willkommen bei der jDPG-Regionalgruppe Siegen

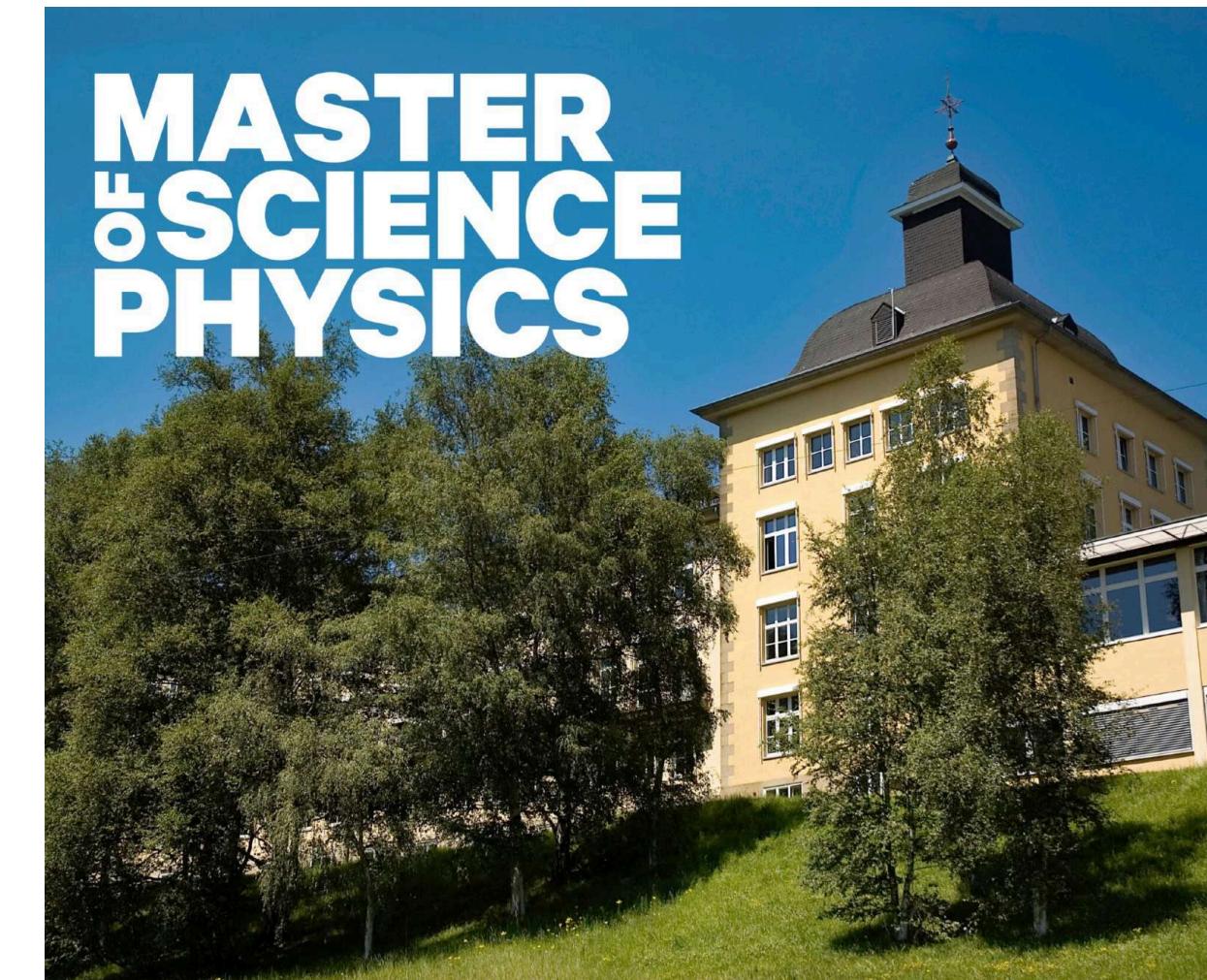
## 6. Active student life



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# How to apply? Links at: <https://cpps.physik.uni-siegen.de/master/>



Applications should be submitted via the **online application portal** [unisono](#) of the university. At this page, you have to do the "Self-Registration" first. Please do not send any application documents via e-mail or regular mail.

You are encouraged to apply early, up to **3 months prior** to the deadline. Typically, it will take one month to notify you of our decision regarding your admission.

**See you soon in Siegen**