

# FPGA Development for the LHCb Vertex Locator Upgrade

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## Abstract

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 The Standard Model of Particle Physics

Central to the modern age of particle physics is the standard model,

$$\begin{aligned} L_{GWL} = & \sum_f (\bar{\Psi}_f (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m_f) \Psi_f - e Q_f \bar{\Psi}_f \gamma^\mu \Psi_f A_\mu) + \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_i (\bar{a}_L^i \gamma^\mu b_L^i W_\mu^+ + \bar{b}_L^i \gamma^\mu a_L^i W_\mu^-) \\ & + \frac{g}{2x_w} \sum_f \bar{\Psi}_f \gamma^\mu (I_f^3 - 2s_w^2 Q_f - I_6 e_f \gamma_5) \Psi_f Z_\mu - \frac{1}{4} |\partial_\mu A_v - \partial_v A_\mu - ie(W_\mu^- W_v^+ - W_\mu^+ W_v^-)|^2 \\ & - \frac{1}{2} |\partial_\mu W_v^+ - \partial_v W_\mu^+ - ie(W_\mu^+ A_v - W_v^+ A_\mu) + ig' c_w (W_\mu^+ Z_v - W_v^+ Z_\mu)|^2 \\ & - \frac{1}{4} |\partial_\mu Z_v - \partial_v Z_\mu + ig' c_w (W_\mu^- W_v^+ - W_\mu^+ W_v^-)|^2 - \frac{1}{2} M_\eta^2 \eta^2 - \frac{g M_\eta^2}{8 M_W} \eta^3 - \frac{g'^2 M_\eta^2}{32 M_W} \eta^4 \\ & + |M_W W_\mu^+ + \frac{g}{2} \eta W_\mu^+|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\partial_\mu \eta + i M_Z Z_\mu + \frac{ig}{2c_w} \eta Z_\mu|^2 - \sum_f \frac{gm_f}{2M_W} \bar{\Psi}_f \Psi_f \eta. \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

The standard model, shown in equation 1, is a quantum field theory that describes the fundamental particles and how they interact. While this essay does require, or attempt, to understand the intricate detail of the standard model; the aim of many particle physics experiments is to Test, measure and verify the model. Despite being the current best theory to explain particle interactions, the model is not complete. There are many undescribed phenomena, such as the matter domination in the universe, that require physics beyond the standard model. To that end, major international efforts, namely in the form of the Large Hadron Collider, aim to further knowledge and understanding of the underlying physics of the universe. [1]

## 1.2 The LHCb Experiment

One such Experiment and the Large Hadron Collider is Large Hadron Collider beauty (LHCb). Located at intersection point

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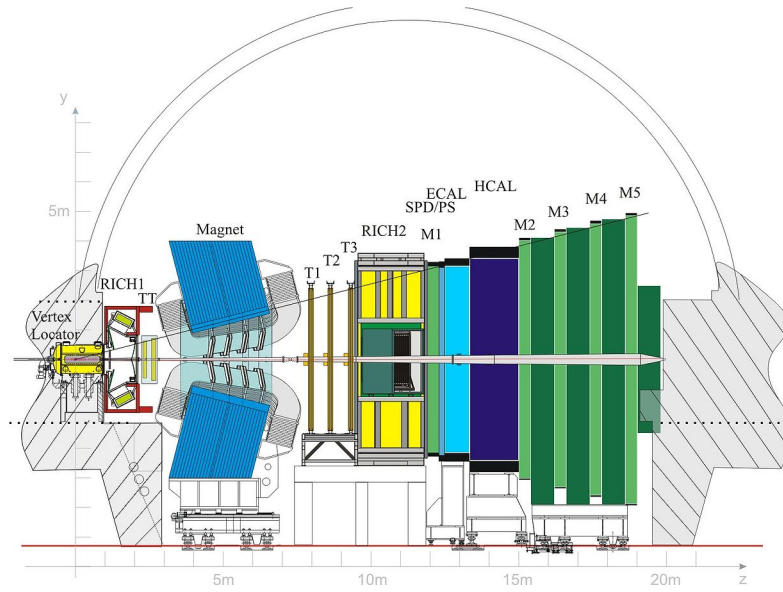


Figure 1: The LCHb Detector along the bending plane.

### 1.2.1 The Detector

### 1.2.2 Physics Studied at LHCb

### 1.2.3 VELO Upgrade

## 1.3 FPGAs in Particle Detectors

### 1.3.1 Field Programable Gate Arrays

### 1.3.2 The Role of FPGA's in the VELO Upgrade

## **2 Scrambling Algorithms**

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### **2.2 Additive and Multiplicative Scramblers**

### **2.3 The Different Options for Scrambling Algorithms**

### **2.4 Algorithm Analysis**

#### **2.4.1 Measurements of the Algorithms**

#### **2.4.2 Results of Analysis**

### **2.5 Conclusion**

## **3 Event Isolation Flagging**

Event Isolation

### **3.1 Motivation**

Motivation

### **3.2 Time Sorting Data**

Time Sorting

### **3.3 Bubble Sorting**

Bubble Bubble Bubble

### **3.4 Isolation Checking**

Isolation Checking

### **3.5 Conclusion**

In Conclusion, Nick is Awesome

## **4 Future Development**

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### **4.1 LHCb 2020 Upgrade**

2020 upgrade

### **4.2 Further Development of FPGA's in the VELO**

fpga in velo



## **5 Conclusion**

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