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ENW GROOT PROPOSAL •Research topic:

> A journey into the zeptouniverse:

- After a very promising start finally not granted by NWO.
- Will submit again in the next round...

[Congratulations to ATLAS to their ENW Groot!]







## **POSTDOC POSITIONS**

- •We have filled two postdoc positions for this autumn:
  - Higher-order amplitude calculations (Vidi grant Franz Herzog): Andrea Pelloni (PhD @ ETHZ)
  - •Dark matter (Vidi Kallia Petraki): Anastasiia Filimonova (PhD @ Univ. Heidelberg)

## Vacancies

The Nikhef Theory group has openings for Postdoctoral researchers in theoretical particle physics

Nikhef (https://www.nikhef.nl/) is the national institute for subatomic physics in the Netherlands. At Nikhef, approximately 175 physicists and 75 technical staff members work together in an open and international scientific environment. Together, they perform theoretical and experimental research in the fields of particle- and astroparticle physics. Nikhef hosts a well staffed theoretical physics group, which collaborates closely with the experimental groups. Among the research collaborations Nikhef participates in are the ATLAS, LHCb and ALICE experiments at CERN, the KM3NeT neutrino telescope in the Mediterranean, the VIRGO interferometer in Pisa, the XENONnT dark matter experiment in Gran Sasso and the Pierre Auger cosmic ray observatory in Argentina.

#### The group

The activities of the Nikhef theory group (https://www.nikhef.nl/pub/theory/general.html/) include higher order calculations and jet physics in perturbative Quantum Chromodynamics, parton distribution functions, 3D imaging of the proton, flavour physics, gravity, and cosmology, among others. The Nikhef theory group and Nikhef as a laboratory provide a very stimulating environment with many seminars, colloquia, and journal clubs meetings, including also various interactions with the experimental groups.

#### Job description

We are looking for candidates in all areas of theoretical particle physics, with a focus on higher-order amplitude calculations relevant to collider physics as well as dark matter, flavour and physics beyond the Standard Model.

Applicants should have a PhD degree when starting the position and are expected to have excellent knowledge of theoretical particle physics. Excellent software skills are also encouraged.

Further information on these positions can be obtained from the head of the theoretical physics group, Prof.dr. Robert Fleischer (robert.fleischer@nikhef.nl).







# FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE RISING TALENT PRIZE

Jorinde van de Vis [now DESY] received the "For Women in Science Rising Talent Prize" for her PhD thesis [Van Holten/Postma]:

Many congratulations!



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## Jorinde van de Vis wins For Women in Science Rising Talent prize

#### 21 November 2019

Jorinde van de Vis wins the For Women in Science Rising Talent-prize for women in science, for her PhD thesis in cosmology and particle physics.

#### **Higgs particle**

Van de Vis (1991) defended her thesis 'Higgs dynamics in the early universe' in July 2019, researching the role of the Higgs particle during the earliest moments of the universe.

'During the formation of the universe, space has expanded extremely in an extremely short time. This is called *inflation*. It is possible that the Higgs field has had a hand in this', says Van de Vis. The Higgs particle was discovered in 2012 in the particle accelerator LHC, and the information since gathered has been of use for Van de Vis' research.

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#### See also

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Van de Vis' thesis 'Higgs dynamics in the early universe'

Physical Review Letters paper by Van der Vis et al.

Koninklijke Hollandse Maatschappij van Wetenschappen





# NATIONAL SEMINAR THEOR. HIGH-ENERGY PHYSICS

Friday, 13 March (Z011)

Colloquium by Giulia Zanderighi (MPI Munich): Precision Physics @ LHC





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### ATIONAL SEMINAR THEORETICAL HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS (THEP)

Date:	Friday, 13 March 2020
Speakers:	Tanja Hinderer (UvA) Giulia Zanderighi (Max Planck Intstitute, Munich) Daan Meerburg (RUG) Chris Couzens (UU)
Location:	Nikhef-CWI, Room Z011, Science Park 105, 1098 XG Amsterdam Information on how to reach Nikhef. Note there is a train station: Amsterdam Science Park.
Schedule:	09:45 Coffee/tea
	10.15 Tanja Hinderer (UvA): Exploring frontiers in subatomic physics with gravitational way
	11.15 Giulia Zanderighi (Max Planck Intstitute, Munich): Precision at the LHC: why and how
	12:15 Lunch
	14:00 Daan Meerburg (RUG): <u>A new decade in cosmology</u>
	15:00 Coffee/tea
	15:15 Chris Couzens (UU): AdS/CFT, Black Holes and Extremization principles
	16:15 Borrel/drinks
Local organizers:	For questions or suggestions, please contact one of the organizers:
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	Thomas Grimm (UU)







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## Theory Meets Experiment

The "Theory Meets Experiment" events are organised by Robert Fleischer (Theory), Tristan du Marcel Merk (LHCb). These topical Nikhef mini workshops usually take place on a Friday after complementing a more general colloquium in the morning, and have the aim to further stimulat discussions between the theory and ATLAS/LHCb communities. All students (MSc, PhD), poste physicists of the corresponding groups are welcome to join. If you would like to receive the ann events by email, please subscribe to the Nikhef colloquium email list by following the link on the "Files"). For more information and suggestions of possible topics and speakers, please contact t

May 2020

15 May Mini Nikhef Workshop: Theory Meets Experiment - High-energetic r processes and interactions of cosmic rays

March 2020

20 Mar Mini Nikhef Workshop: Theory Meets Expertiment - SMEFT for Higgs and Top 

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Suggestions are very welcome!





# FUTURE FESTIVITIES: RESERVE THE DATES



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### **Bert Schellekens Fest**

Friday, 10 July 2020 from 10:00 to 19:00 (Europe/Amsterdam) at Nikhef (H331)

Description

**Retirement Bert Schellekens** 

Organisers: Robert Fleischer (Nikhef, Amsterdam) Beatriz Gato Rivera (IFF-CSIC, Madrid)

Program for the scientific meeting of Bert's Fest on July 10th, 2020

Nikhef, Seminar Room: H331

NOTE: the two talks in the morning are intended for a general audience of particle physicists, theorists as well as experimentalists.

(\*) To be confirmed

### Friday, 10 July 2020

Welcome with coffee, tea, cookies,... 10:00 - 10:15

- 10:15 11:00 Dieter Lüst, LMU and MPI, München (Germany) "New Cloths for the Landscape"
- Nikhef Colloquium Elias Kiritsis, APC, Paris (France) and University of Crete (Greece) 11:00 - 12:00 "String Theory, Particle Physics and Emergent Gravity"
- 12:00 13:30 Lunch





## **RESEARCH SNAPSHOTS**

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**Regular Article - Theoretical Physics** 

Testing lepton flavour universality with (semi)-leptonic  $D_{(s)}$  decays

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### Dark matter bound state formation via emission of a charged scalar

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#### PREPARED FOR SUBMISSION TO JHEP

The leading jet transverse momentum in inclusive jet production and with a loose jet veto

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### Source terms for electroweak baryogenesis in the vev-insertion approximation beyond leading order

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### **Parton Distributions** in Nucleons and Nuclei

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Nikhef Theory Group @NikhefTheory · 19h "Papers and Cakes" session by Jake, on "Parton distributions in Nucleons and Nuclei". arxiv.org/pdf/2001.07722... #papers\_and\_cakes #theorvsessio



#### Keywords

Quantum Chromodynamics, Parton Distribution Functions, Proton Spin, Nuclear Medium, Collider Physics, Future Experiments

#### Abstract

We review the current status of Parton Distribution Function (PDF) determinations for unpolarized and longitudinally polarized protons and for unpolarized nuclei, which are probed by high-energy hadronic scattering in perturbative Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD). We present the established theoretical framework, the experimental information, and the methodological aspects inherent to any modern PDF extraction. Furthermore, we summarize the present knowledge of PDFs and discuss their limitations in both accuracy and precision relevant to advance our understanding of QCD proton substructure and pursue our quest for precision in the Standard Model and beyond. In this respect, we highlight various achievements, discuss contemporary issues in PDF analyses, and outline future directions of progress.



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