

# LHC physics (experimental side) part 1

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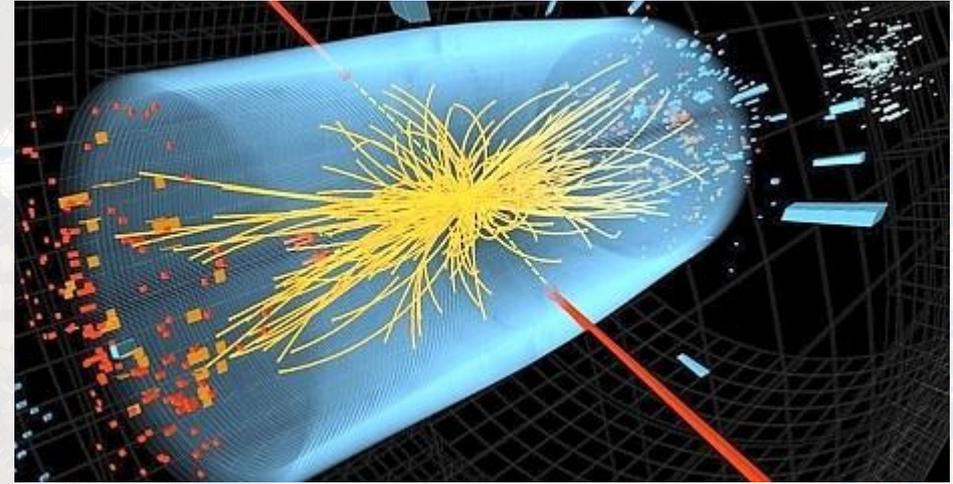


# Introduction

◆ From here:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{2}\partial_\nu g_\mu^a \partial_\nu g_\mu^a - g_s f^{abc} \partial_\mu g_\nu^a g_\mu^b g_\nu^c - \frac{1}{4}g_s^2 f^{abc} f^{ade} g_\mu^b g_\nu^c g_\mu^d g_\nu^e + \\
 & \frac{1}{2}ig_s^2 (\bar{q}_i^c \gamma^\mu q_j^c) g_\mu^a + G^a \partial^2 G^a + g_s f^{abc} \partial_\mu G^a G^b g_\mu^c - \partial_\nu W_\mu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - \\
 & M^2 W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\nu Z_\mu^0 \partial_\nu Z_\mu^0 - \frac{1}{2c_w^2} M^2 Z_\mu^0 Z_\mu^0 - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu A_\nu \partial_\mu A_\nu - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu H \partial_\mu H - \\
 & \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 H^2 - \partial_\mu \phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^- - M^2 \phi^+ \phi^- - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu \phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^0 - \frac{1}{2c_w^2} M \phi^0 \phi^0 - \beta_h \left[ \frac{2M^2}{g^2} + \right. \\
 & \left. \frac{2M}{g} H + \frac{1}{2}(H^2 + \phi^0 \phi^0 + 2\phi^+ \phi^-) \right] + \frac{2M^4}{g^2} \alpha_h - igc_w [\partial_\nu Z_\mu^0 (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- - \\
 & W_\nu^+ W_\mu^-) - Z_\nu^0 (W_\mu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - W_\mu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+) + Z_\mu^0 (W_\nu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - \\
 & W_\nu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+)] - ig_s w [\partial_\nu A_\mu (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- - W_\nu^+ W_\mu^-) - A_\nu (W_\mu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - \\
 & W_\mu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+) + A_\mu (W_\nu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - W_\nu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+)] - \frac{1}{2}g^2 W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- W_\nu^+ W_\nu^- + \\
 & \frac{1}{2}g^2 W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- W_\mu^- W_\nu^- + g^2 c_w^2 (Z_\mu^0 W_\mu^+ Z_\nu^0 W_\nu^- - Z_\nu^0 Z_\mu^0 W_\mu^+ W_\nu^-) + \\
 & g^2 s_w^2 (A_\mu W_\mu^+ A_\nu W_\nu^- - A_\mu A_\nu W_\mu^+ W_\nu^-) + g^2 s_w c_w [A_\mu Z_\nu^0 (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- - \\
 & W_\nu^+ W_\mu^-) - 2A_\mu Z_\mu^0 W_\nu^+ W_\nu^-] - g\alpha [H^3 + H\phi^0 \phi^0 + 2H\phi^+ \phi^-] - \\
 & \frac{1}{8}g^2 \alpha_h [H^4 + (\phi^0)^4 + 4(\phi^+ \phi^-)^2 + 4(\phi^0)^2 \phi^+ \phi^- + 4H^2 \phi^+ \phi^- + 2(\phi^0)^2 H^2] - \\
 & gM W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- H - \frac{1}{2}g \frac{M}{c_w} Z_\mu^0 Z_\mu^0 H - \frac{1}{2}ig [W_\mu^+ (\phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu \phi^0) - \\
 & W_\mu^- (\phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^+ - \phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^0)] + \frac{1}{2}g [W_\mu^+ (H \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu H) - W_\mu^- (H \partial_\mu \phi^+ - \\
 & \phi^+ \partial_\mu H)] + \frac{1}{2}g \frac{1}{c_w} (Z_\mu^0 (H \partial_\mu \phi^0 - \phi^0 \partial_\mu H) - ig \frac{s_w^2}{c_w} M Z_\mu^0 (W_\mu^+ \phi^- - W_\mu^- \phi^+) + \\
 & ig_s w M A_\mu (W_\mu^+ \phi^- - W_\mu^- \phi^+) - ig \frac{1-2c_w^2}{2c_w} Z_\mu^0 (\phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu \phi^+) + \\
 & ig_s w A_\mu (\phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu \phi^+) - \frac{1}{4}g^2 W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- [H^2 + (\phi^0)^2 + 2\phi^+ \phi^-] - \\
 & \frac{1}{4}g^2 \frac{1}{c_w^2} Z_\mu^0 Z_\mu^0 [H^2 + (\phi^0)^2 + 2(2s_w^2 - 1)^2 \phi^+ \phi^-] - \frac{1}{2}g^2 \frac{s_w^2}{c_w} Z_\mu^0 \phi^0 (W_\mu^+ \phi^- + \\
 & W_\mu^- \phi^+) - \frac{1}{2}ig^2 \frac{s_w^2}{c_w} Z_\mu^0 H (W_\mu^+ \phi^- - W_\mu^- \phi^+) + \frac{1}{2}g^2 s_w A_\mu \phi^0 (W_\mu^+ \phi^- + \\
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 & g^1 s_w^2 A_\mu A_\mu \phi^+ \phi^- - \bar{e}^\lambda (\gamma \partial + m_e^\lambda) e^\lambda - \bar{\nu}^\lambda \gamma \partial \nu^\lambda - \bar{u}_j^\lambda (\gamma \partial + m_u^\lambda) u_j^\lambda - \bar{d}_j^\lambda (\gamma \partial + \\
 & m_d^\lambda) d_j^\lambda + ig_s w A_\mu [-(\bar{e}^\lambda \gamma e^\lambda) + \frac{2}{3}(\bar{u}_j^\lambda \gamma u_j^\lambda) - \frac{1}{3}(\bar{d}_j^\lambda \gamma d_j^\lambda)] + \frac{ig}{4c_w} Z_\mu^0 [(\bar{\nu}^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 + \\
 & \gamma^5) \nu^\lambda) + (\bar{e}^\lambda \gamma^\mu (4s_w^2 - 1 - \gamma^5) e^\lambda) + (\bar{u}_j^\lambda \gamma^\mu (\frac{4}{3}s_w^2 - 1 - \gamma^5) u_j^\lambda) + \\
 & (\bar{d}_j^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 - \frac{8}{3}s_w^2 - \gamma^5) d_j^\lambda)] + \frac{ig}{2\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^+ [(\bar{\nu}^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma^5) e^\lambda) + (\bar{u}_j^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 + \\
 & \gamma^5) C_{\lambda\kappa} d_j^\kappa)] + \frac{ig}{2\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^- [(\bar{e}^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma^5) \nu^\lambda) + (\bar{d}_j^\kappa C_{\lambda\kappa}^\dagger \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma^5) u_j^\lambda)] + \\
 & \frac{ig}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{m_c}{M} [-\phi^+ (\bar{\nu}^\lambda (1 - \gamma^5) e^\lambda) + \phi^- (\bar{e}^\lambda (1 + \gamma^5) \nu^\lambda)] - \frac{g}{2} \frac{m_c}{M} [H (\bar{e}^\lambda e^\lambda) + \\
 & i\phi^0 (\bar{e}^\lambda \gamma^5 e^\lambda)] + \frac{ig}{2M\sqrt{2}} \phi^+ [-m_c^\kappa (\bar{u}_j^\lambda C_{\lambda\kappa} (1 - \gamma^5) d_j^\kappa) + m_u^\lambda (\bar{u}_j^\lambda C_{\lambda\kappa} (1 + \\
 & \gamma^5) d_j^\kappa)] + \frac{ig}{2M\sqrt{2}} \phi^- [m_d^\lambda (\bar{d}_j^\kappa C_{\lambda\kappa}^\dagger (1 + \gamma^5) u_j^\kappa) - m_c^\kappa (\bar{d}_j^\kappa C_{\lambda\kappa}^\dagger (1 - \gamma^5) u_j^\kappa) - \\
 & \frac{g}{2} \frac{m_d}{M} H (\bar{u}_j^\lambda u_j^\lambda) - \frac{g}{2} \frac{m_d}{M} H (\bar{d}_j^\lambda d_j^\lambda) + \frac{ig}{2} \frac{m_d}{M} \phi^0 (\bar{u}_j^\lambda \gamma^5 u_j^\lambda) - \frac{ig}{2} \frac{m_d}{M} \phi^0 (\bar{d}_j^\lambda \gamma^5 d_j^\lambda) + \\
 & \bar{X}^+ (\partial^2 - M^2) X^+ + \bar{X}^- (\partial^2 - M^2) X^- + \bar{X}^0 (\partial^2 - \frac{M^2}{c_w^2}) X^0 + \bar{Y} \partial^2 Y + \\
 & igc_w W_\mu^+ (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^0 X^- - \partial_\mu \bar{X}^- X^0) + ig_s w W_\mu^+ (\partial_\mu \bar{Y} X^- - \partial_\mu \bar{X}^- Y) + \\
 & igc_w W_\mu^- (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^- X^0 - \partial_\mu \bar{X}^0 X^+) + ig_s w W_\mu^- (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^- Y - \partial_\mu \bar{Y} X^+) + \\
 & igc_w Z_\mu^0 (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^+ X^- + \partial_\mu \bar{X}^- X^+) + ig_s w A_\mu (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^+ X^- + \partial_\mu \bar{X}^- X^+) - \\
 & \frac{1}{2}gM [\bar{X}^+ X^+ H + \bar{X}^- X^- H + \frac{1}{c_w^2} \bar{X}^0 X^0 H] + \frac{1-2c_w^2}{2c_w} igM [\bar{X}^+ X^0 \phi^+ - \\
 & \bar{X}^- X^0 \phi^-] + \frac{1}{2c_w} igM [\bar{X}^0 X^- \phi^+ - \bar{X}^0 X^+ \phi^-] + igM s_w [\bar{X}^0 X^- \phi^+ - \\
 & \bar{X}^0 X^+ \phi^-] + \frac{1}{2}igM [\bar{X}^+ X^+ \phi^0 - \bar{X}^- X^- \phi^0]
 \end{aligned}$$

◆ To here:





# Outline of first lesson

- ◆ Accelerating particles = create new particles
- ◆ Detectors = see those particles
- ◆ How to reconstruct an event



# Basic formula

## ◆ Energy unit: electron-volt

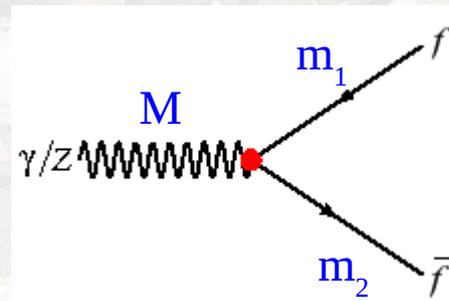
- $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \cdot 10^{-19} \text{ J}$
- $m_{\text{electron}} = 511 \text{ keV}$
- $m_{\text{proton}} \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

## ◆ Energy in special relativity: $E^2 = \vec{p}^2 c^2 + m_0^2 c^4$

- invariant under relativist change
- in HEP,  $c = 1$

## ◆ Invariant mass:

- conservation of four vector  $(E, \vec{p})$
- $M^2 = m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2 * (E_1 E_2 - \vec{p}_1 \cdot \vec{p}_2)$





# Physics with colliders

◆ To produce particles, need energy

◆ Fixed target experiment:

-  $E_{\text{CM}} = \sqrt{2 * E_{\text{beam}} + m_{\text{target}}^2}$

- examples:

- Rutherford experiment
- hadron-therapy



◆ Collider:

-  $E_{\text{CM}} \propto 2 * E_{\text{beam}}$

- examples:

- SPS, LEP, Tevatron, LHC



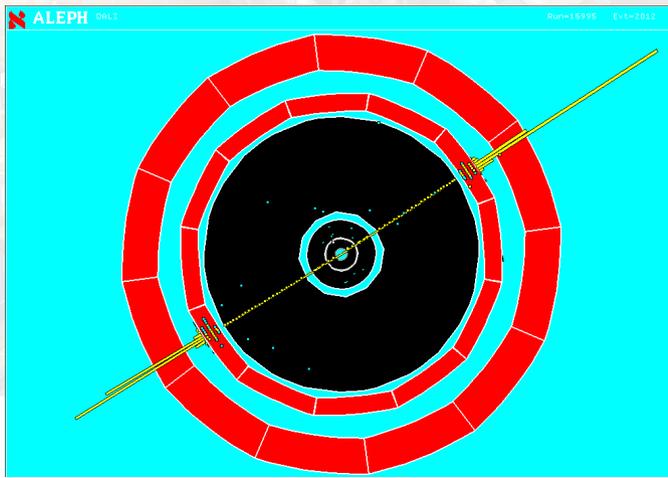
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# Leptonic vs hadronic colliders

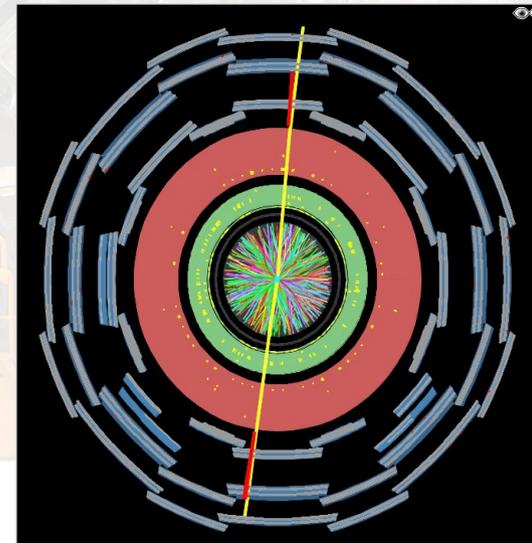
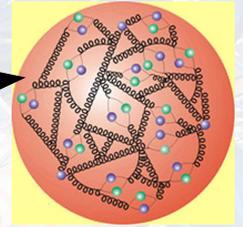
## Electron-positron collider

- ◆ no internal structure
- ◆  $E_{\text{collision}} = 2 * E_{\text{beam}}$
- ◆ Pros:
  - probe precise mass  
⇒ **precision measurements**
  - clean
- ◆ Cons:
  - only one  $E_{\text{collision}}$  at a time
  - limited by synchrotron radiation at high energy



## Hadronic collider (pp or p $\bar{p}$ )

- ◆ quarks + gluons
- ◆  $E_{\text{collision}} < 2 * E_{\text{beam}}$
- ◆ Pros:
  - scan different masses  
⇒ **discovery machine**
- ◆ Cons:
  - $E_{\text{collision}}$  not known
  - several collisions on top of interesting one





# Synchrotrons

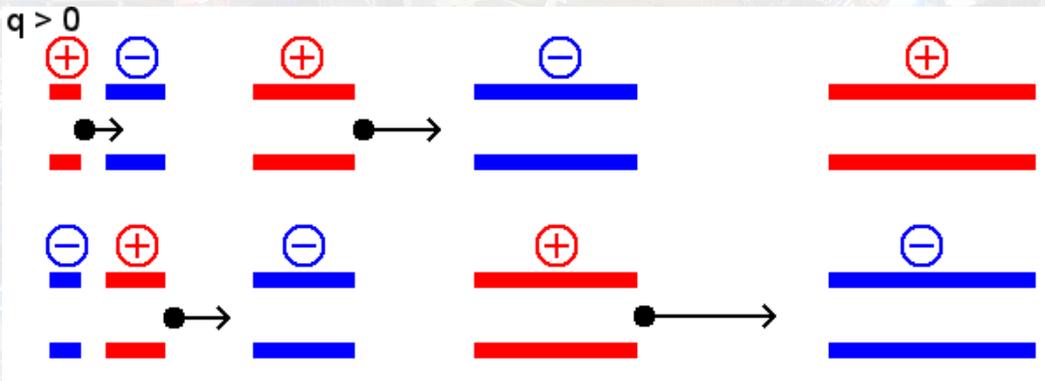
◆ Acceleration with **electric fields**

-  $\Delta E = q\Delta V$

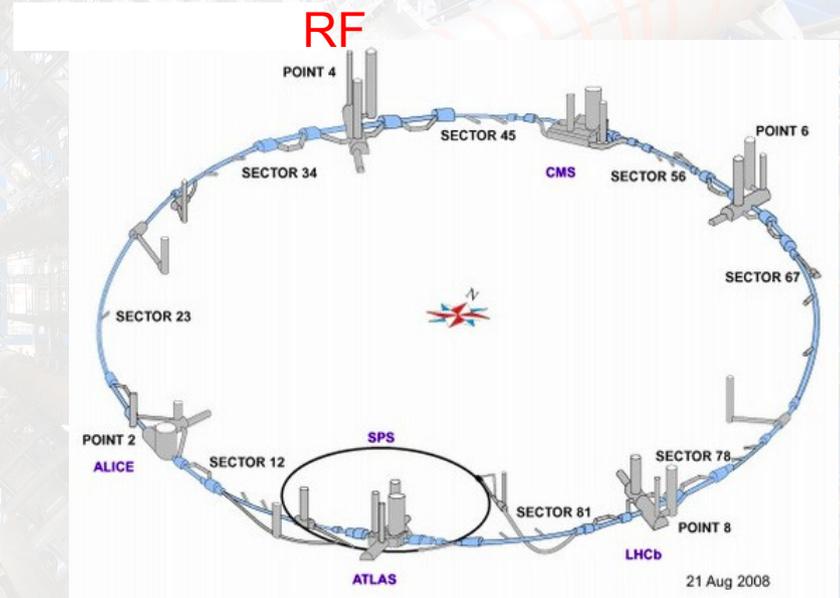
◆ Radiofrequency (RF) cavities

- alternating potential ( $\sim 100$  MHz)

◆ Closed path = goes several times through the accelerating part



◆ LAPP round-about = LEP cavity

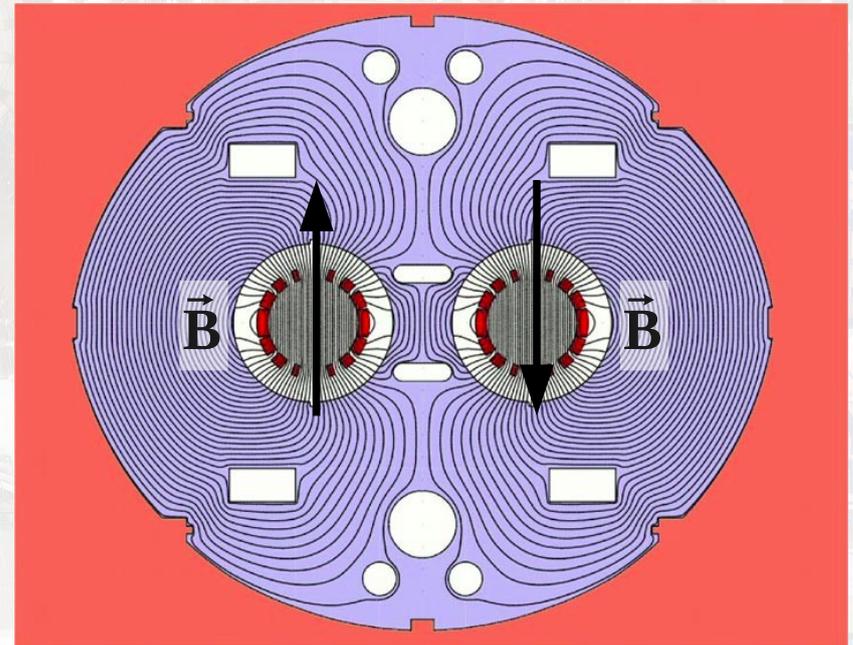
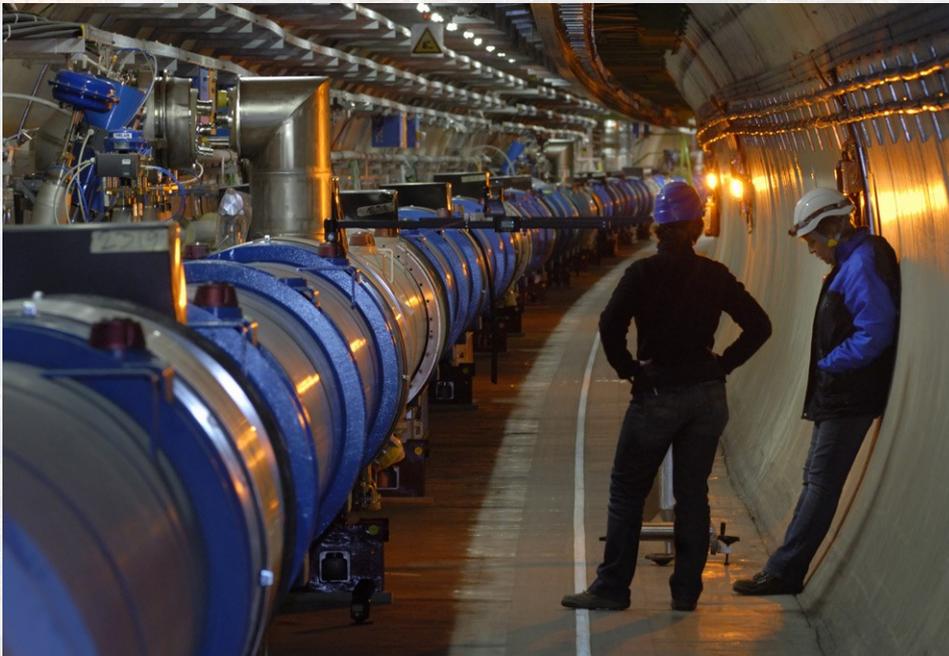


◆ Particles guided by magnetic field



# The LHC (1)

- ◆ p-p collider
- ◆ ~9000 superconducting magnets
- ◆ ~1000 bunches of 100 billions of protons
- ◆ Protons accelerated to (7) 8 TeV centre-of-mass energy
  - ~ train at 100 km/h concentrated in a few tens of  $\mu\text{m}$





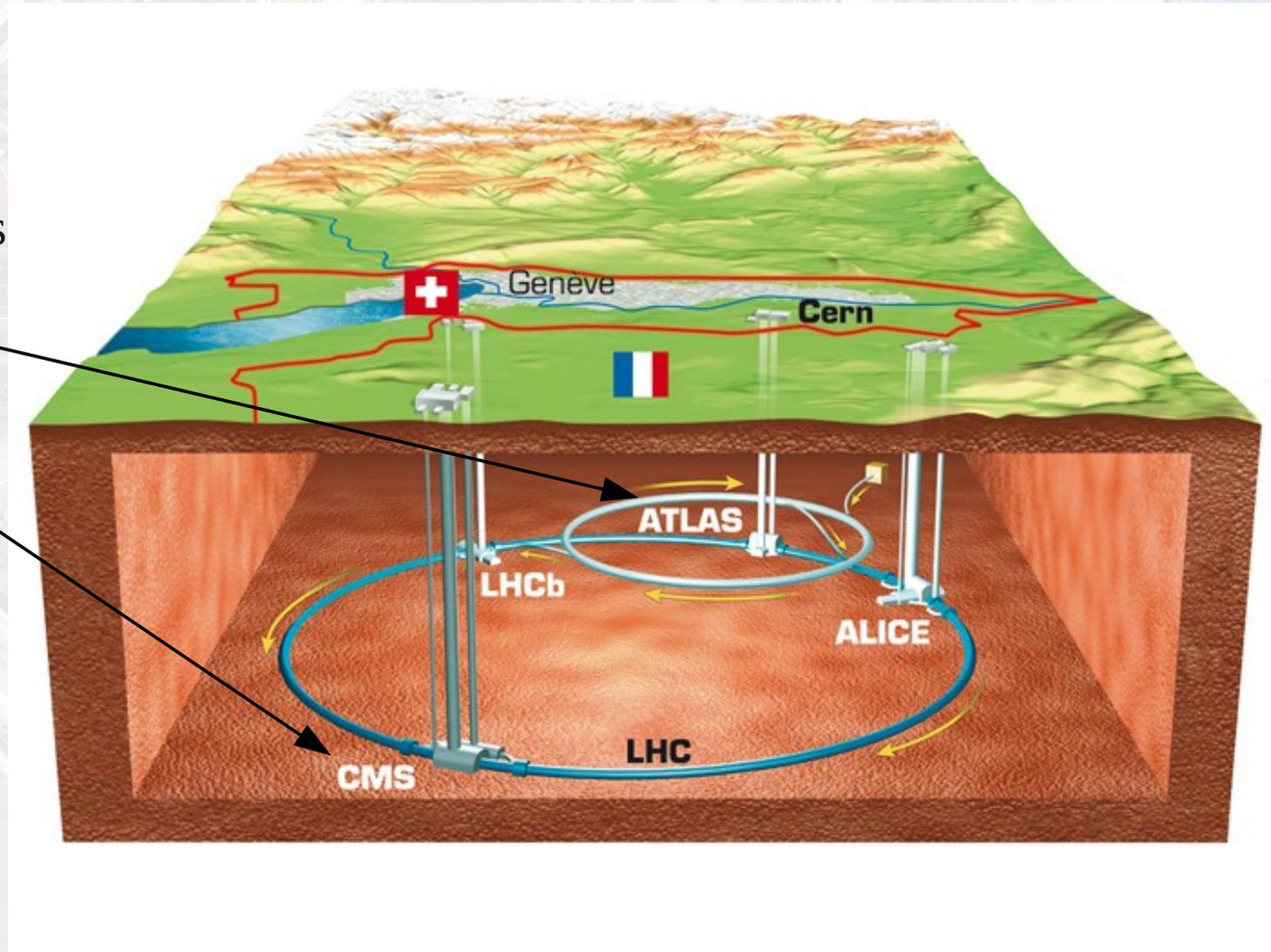
# The LHC (2)

◆ 27 km long

◆ 4 main experiments

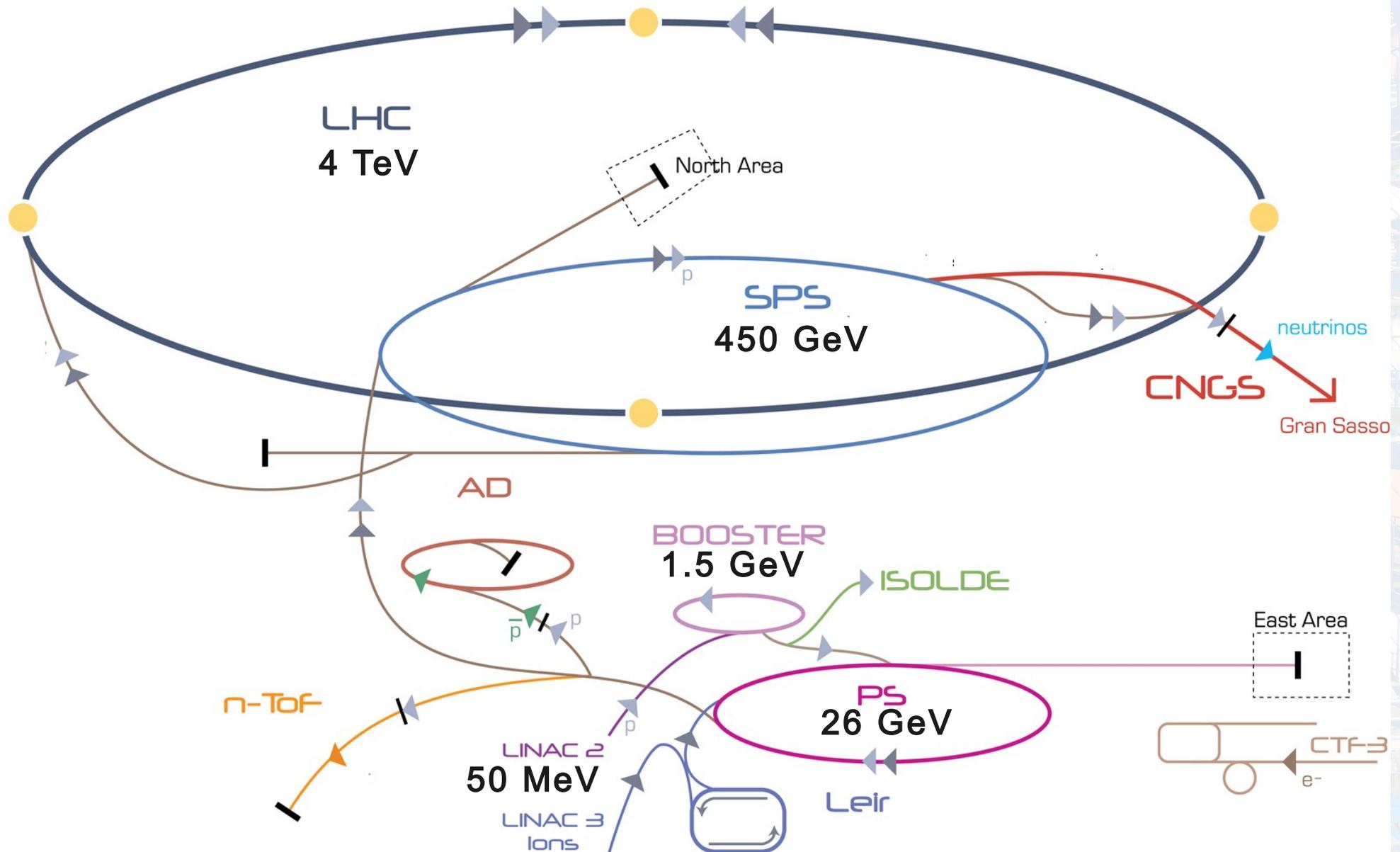
- ATLAS
- CMS
- LHCb
- ALICE

see course by P.Ghez





# CERN accelerator complex



<http://te-dep-epc.web.cern.ch>



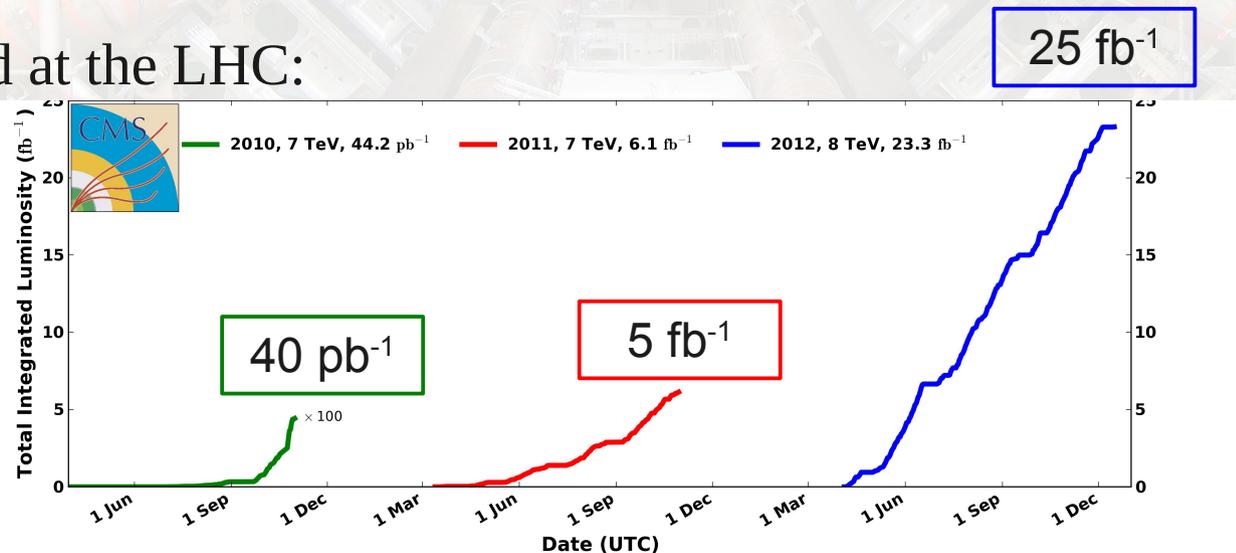
# Luminosity

- ◆ Instantaneous luminosity:  $L_{inst} = \frac{f \cdot N^2}{4 \pi \sigma_x \sigma_y}$ 
  - N = number of particles/beam ( $\sim 10^{11}$ )
  - f = frequency revolution (11 kHz)
  - $\sigma_x, \sigma_y$ : transverse width of the beam ( $\sim 60 \mu\text{m}$ )
  - unit:  $\text{cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$

- ◆ Total luminosity:  $L_{tot} = \int L_{inst} dt$ 
  - unit:  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  or  $\text{barn}^{-1}$
  - $1 \text{ b} = 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2$

T	tera	$10^{12}$	1000000000000
G	giga	$10^9$	1000000000
M	mega	$10^6$	1000000
k	kilo	$10^3$	1000
		1	1
m	milli	$10^{-3}$	0.001
$\mu$	micro	$10^{-6}$	0.000001
n	nano	$10^{-9}$	0.000000001
p	pico	$10^{-12}$	0.000000000001
f	femto	$10^{-15}$	0.000000000000001

- ◆ Collected at the LHC:





# Cross section

- ◆ Production cross section  $\sigma$  = probability of a particle to be produced
  - unit:  $\text{cm}^2$  or barn
- ◆ Number of produced particle:  $N = \sigma.L$
- ◆ At the LHC, total luminosity =  $\sim 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  number of produced particles:

	mass (GeV)	cross section	Events (millions)
2 quarks/gluons		500 $\mu\text{b}$	100000000
$W \rightarrow l\nu$	80.4	10 nb	300
$Z \rightarrow ll$	91.2	0.9 nb	30
$t\bar{t}$	173.1	165 pb	5
<b>Higgs</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>22 pb</b>	<b>0.7</b>



# Lifetime and decay

- ◆ Most of the particles produced at the LHC are instable
  - decay through electroweak force or strong force
- ◆ A few examples:

	lifetime (s)	decay products	Branching ratio
W boson	$10^{-25}$	$e\nu$	11%
		$\mu\nu$	11%
		2 quarks	68%
Z boson	$10^{-25}$	$ee$	3%
		$\mu\mu$	3%
		$\nu\nu$	20%
top quark	$5 \cdot 10^{-25}$	$Wb$	100%
Higgs boson	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-22}$	$b\bar{b}$	56%
		$WW$	23%

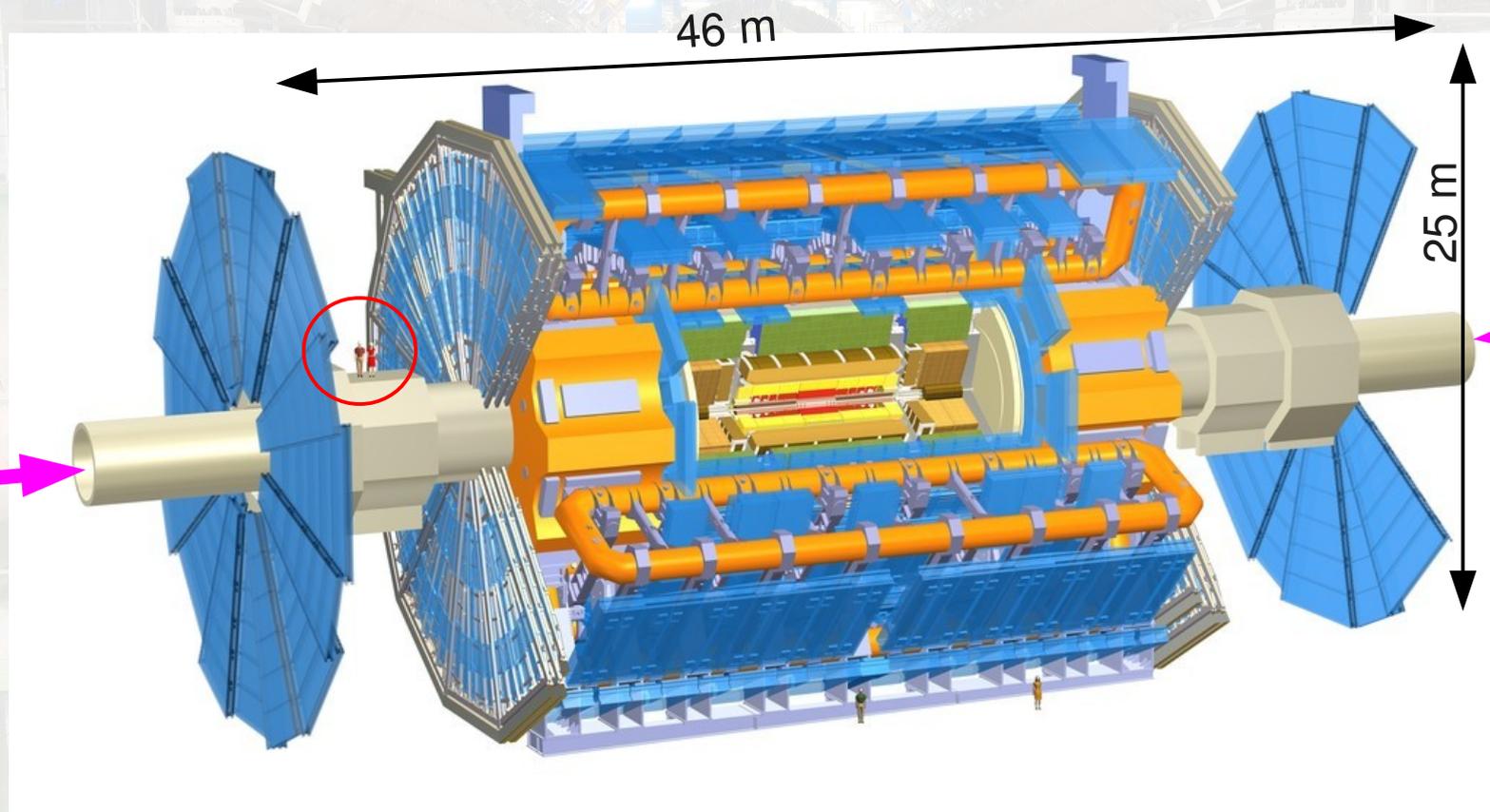
- ◆ Conclusion: **need to find the decay products**



# ATLAS and CMS experiments

## ◆ Giant experiments

- 46x25m for ATLAS
- 13800 t for CMS (= 1.3\* )





# ATLAS and CMS collaborations

- ◆ > 3000 physicists /collaboration
- ◆ > 200 institutes

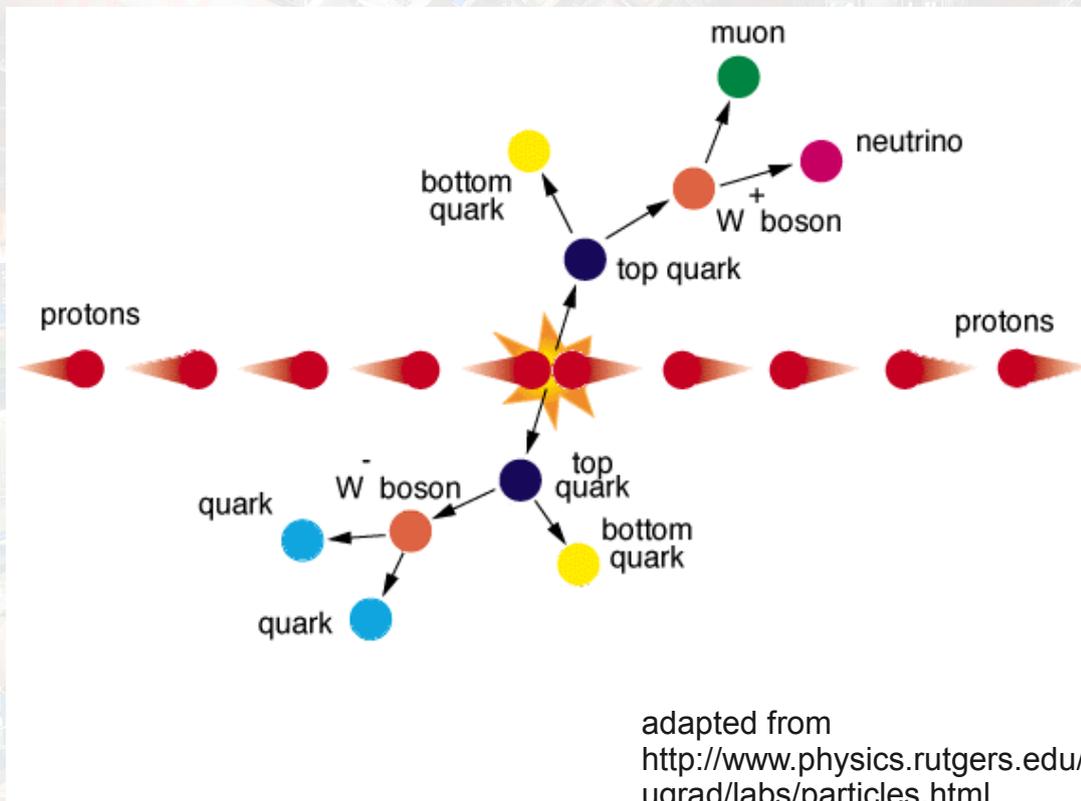


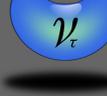
- ◆ "The <sup>collaborations</sup> empire on which the sun never sets"



# Detecting particles (1)

- ◆ Example for top-antitop production and decay:



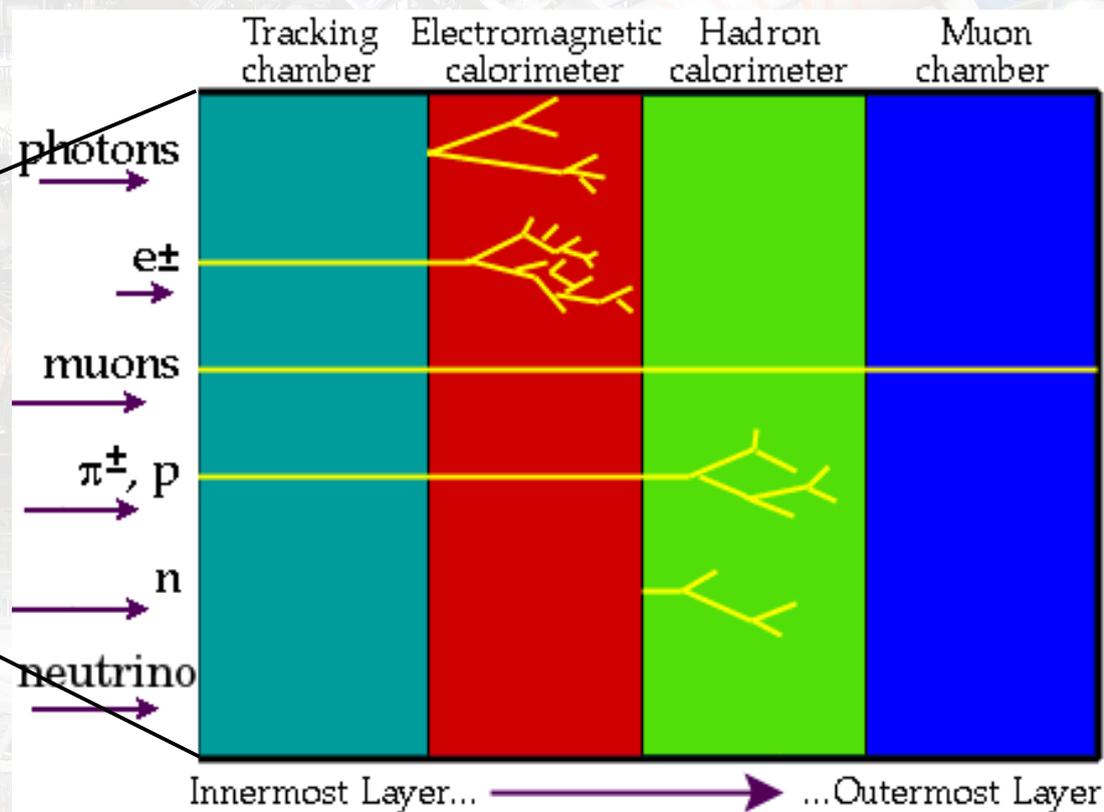
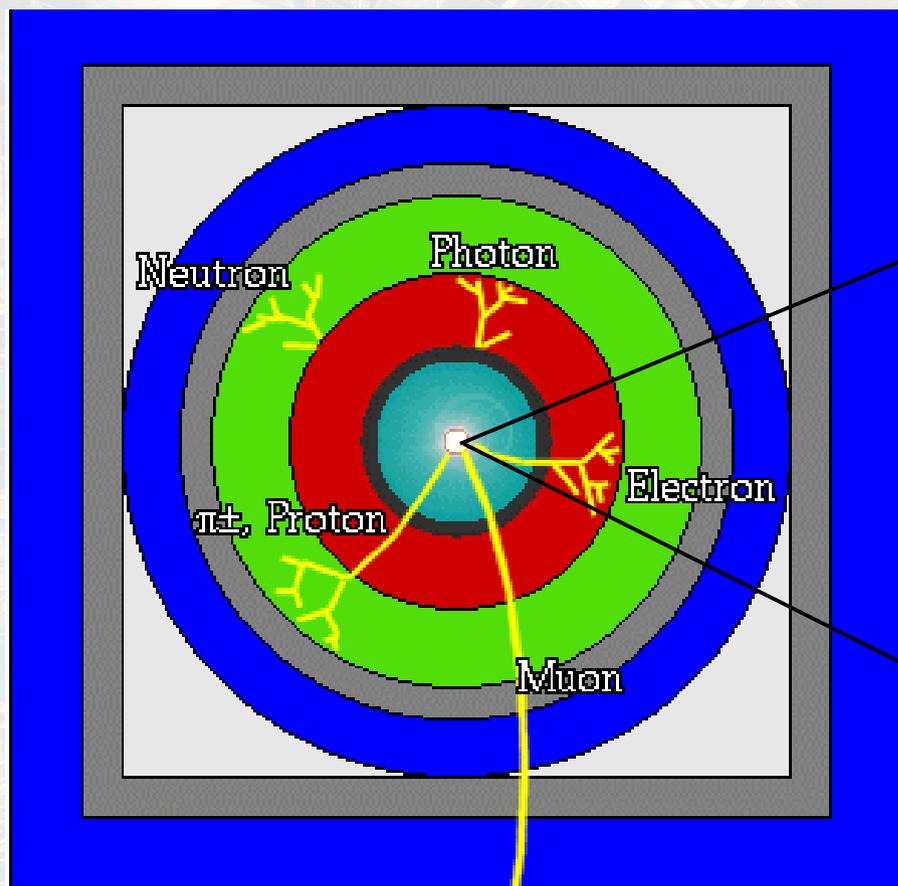
quarks	 up	 charm	 top
	 down	 strange	 bottom
leptons	 electron	 muon	 tau
	 electron neutrino	 muon neutrino	 tau neutrino

- ◆ In order to reconstruct this event, need to detect many particles: here, electron, muon, quarks, neutrinos



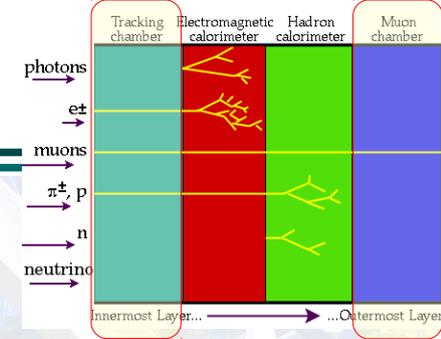
# Detecting particles (2)

## ◆ Detectors surrounding the collision point





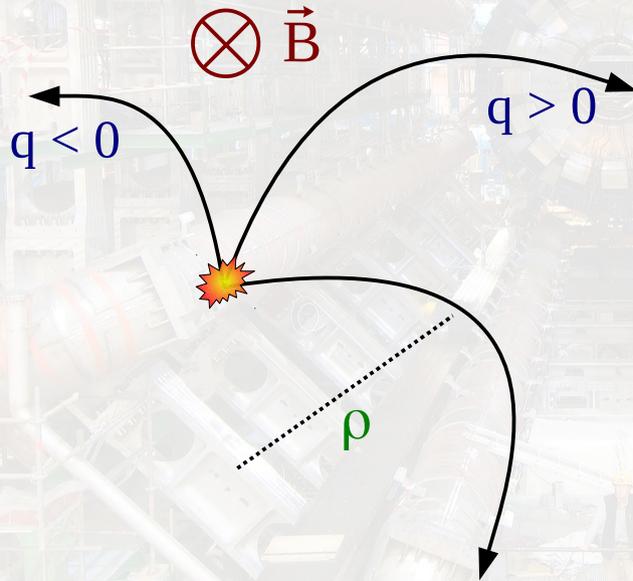
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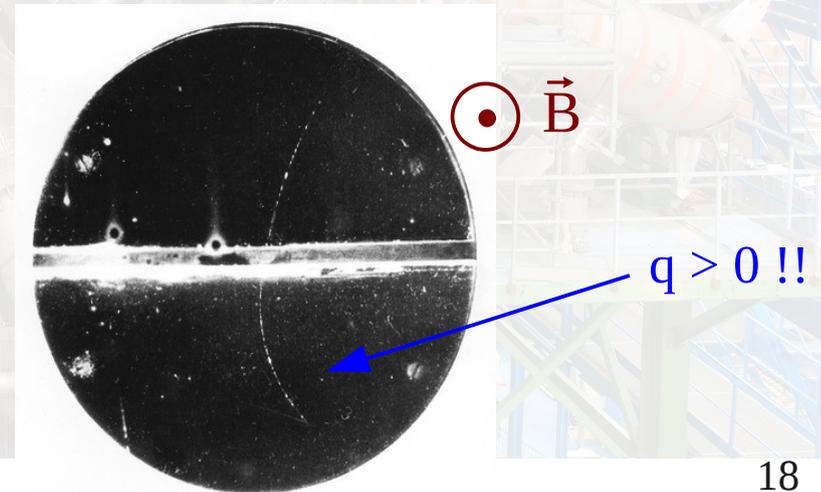
◆ Aim: measure **momentum** and **charge** of charged particles

◆ Principle: deviate particles in magnetic field:

$$- p = q \cdot B \cdot \rho$$



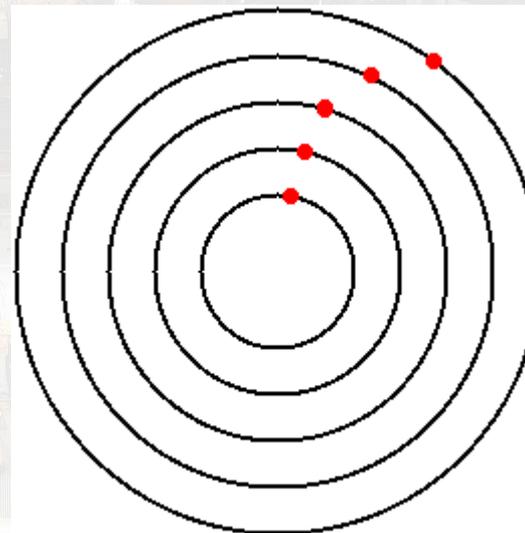
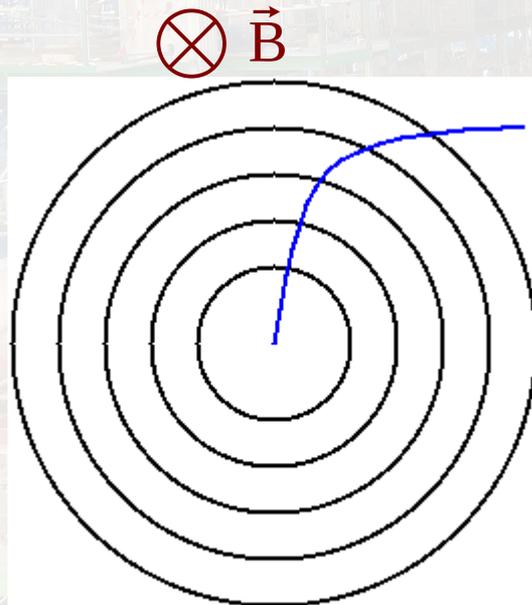
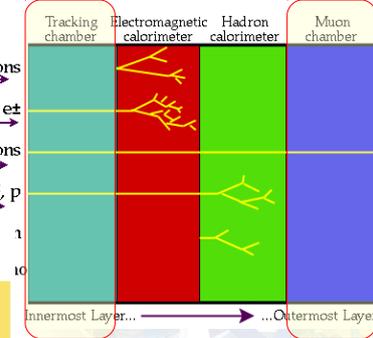
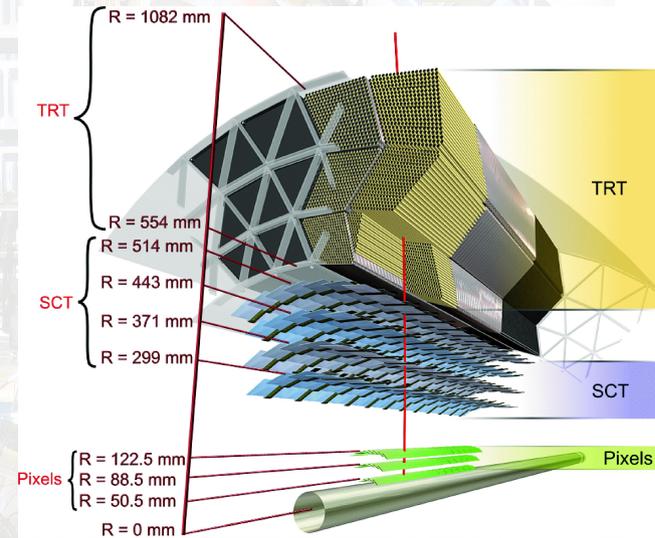
◆ Used to discover antimatter (1932):





# Tracking (2)

- ◆ Layers of finely segmented detectors with which the particles interact

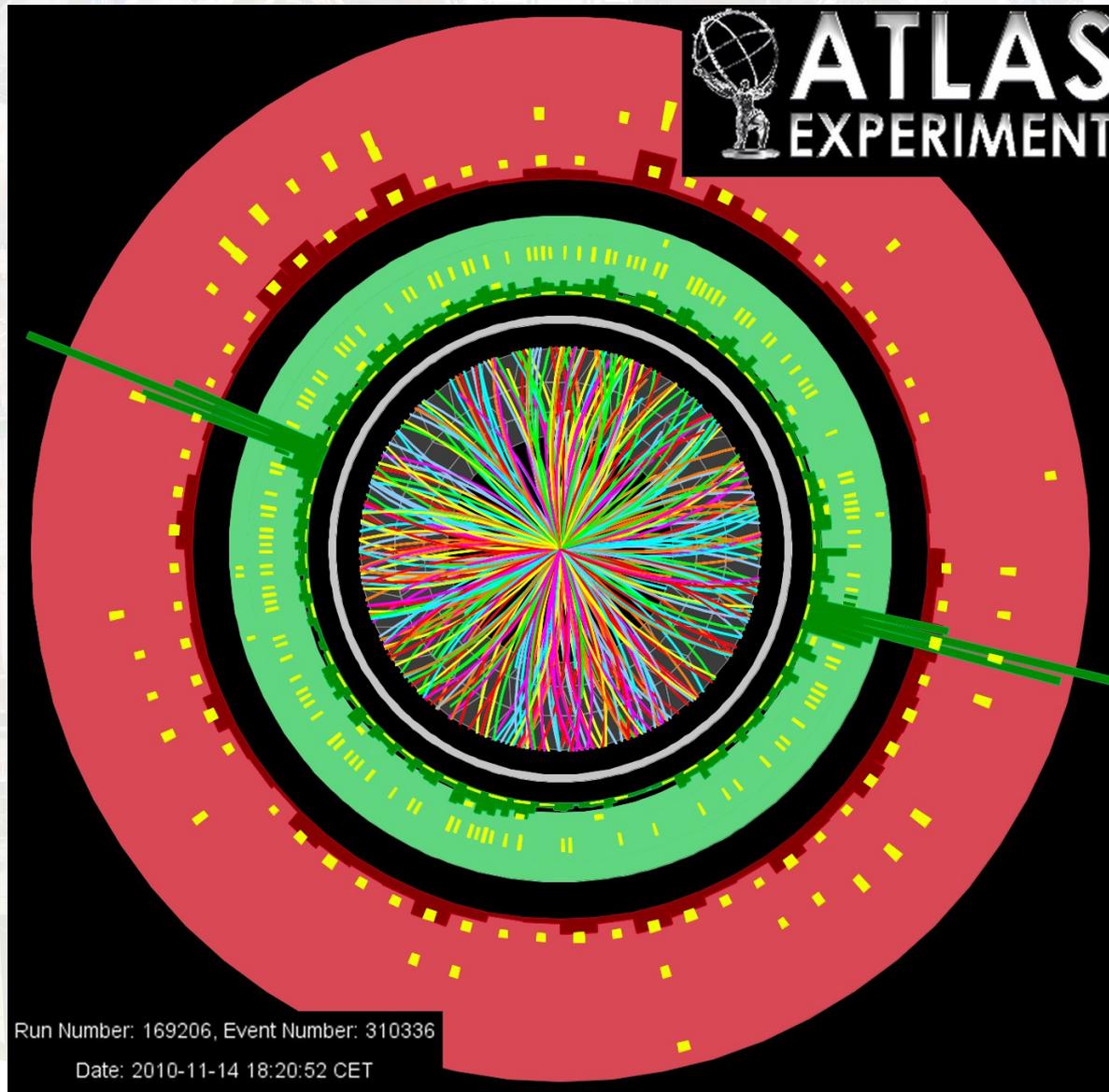
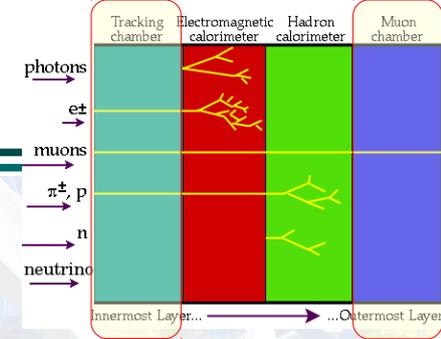


- ◆ Algorithms to reconstruct tracks from hits in the tracker layers



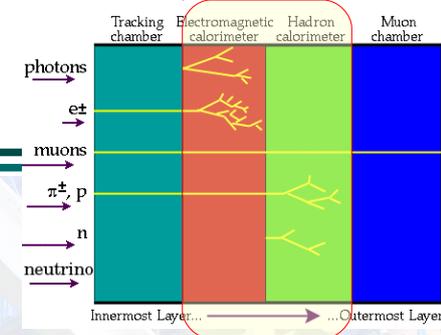
# Tracking (3)

◆ Quite complicated when hundreds of tracks!





# Calorimetry (1)



## ◆ Aim: measure energy of

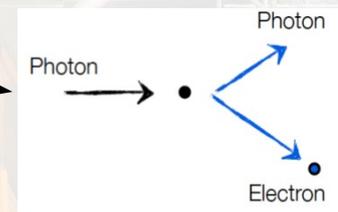
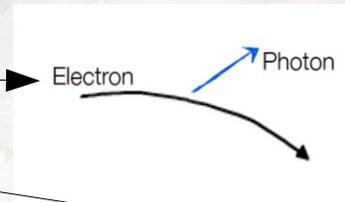
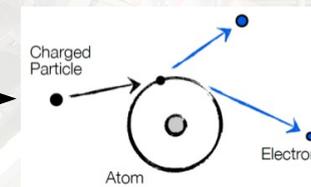
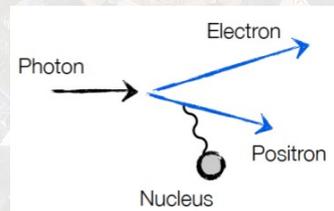
- electrons and photons (electromagnetic calorimeter)
- quarks, gluons (hadronic calorimeter)

## ◆ Principle:

- very dense material to **stop particle completely** (*absorber*)
- measure energy lost by the particle (*active material*)

## ◆ Energy loss (= **shower**) by:

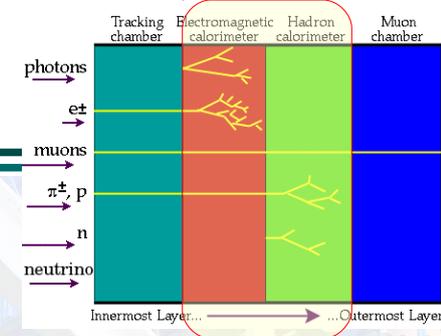
- pair production
- ionisation
- bremsstrahlung
- Compton scattering
- nuclear interaction
- ...



Pictures from D. Bortoletto

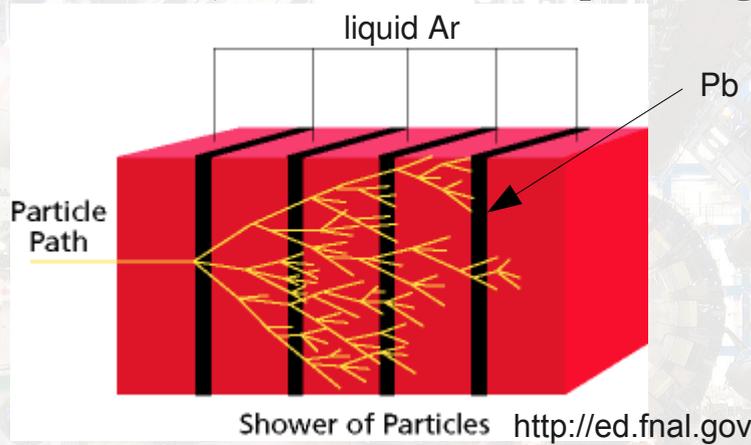


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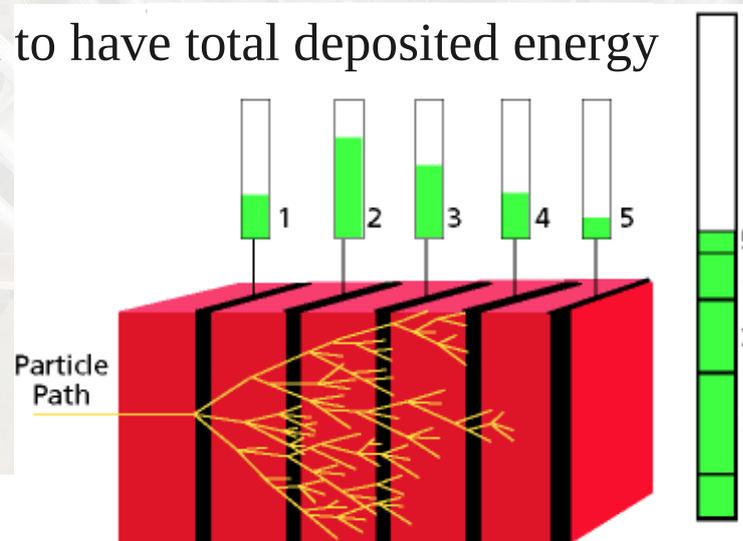


## ◆ Example: ATLAS electromagnetic calorimeter

- sandwich of lead (*absorber*) and liquid Argon (*active material*)

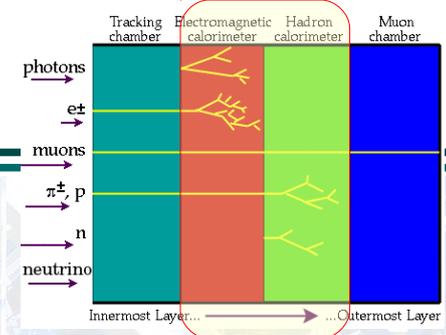


- liquid Ar ionised and electrons drift towards electrode  $\Rightarrow$  electrical signal
- signals summed to have total deposited energy





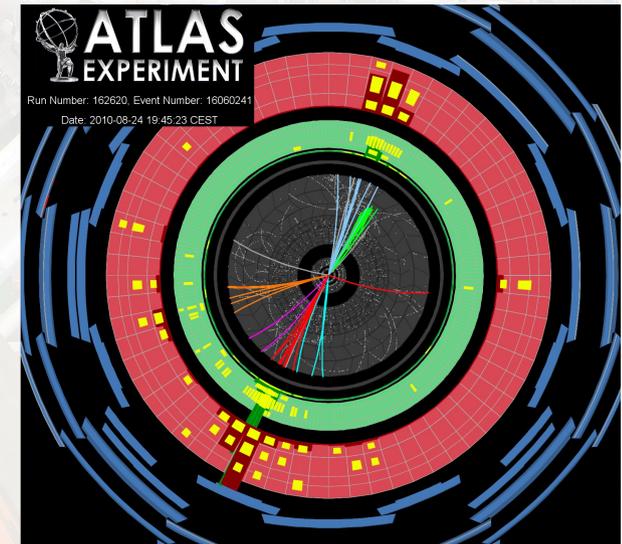
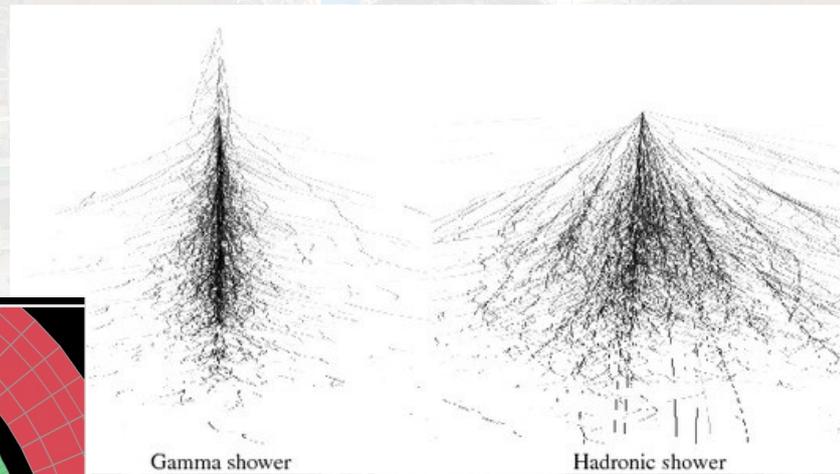
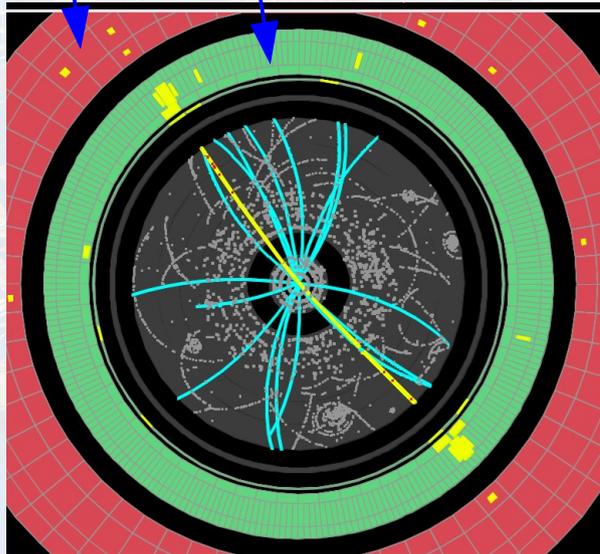
# Particle identification



- ◆ Example: showers from quarks/gluons can fake showers from electrons/photons
  - orders of magnitude more quarks/gluons than electrons/photons
- ◆ Use shape of the shower to distinguish between both:

hadronic calorimeter

electromagnetic calorimeter



# Computer processing (1)

◆ Before the 70's:



◆ Now: each event is processed and reconstructed by complex algorithms

- 1 collision = 1 MB
- 1 collision every 25 ns
  - 200 events/s stored
- ~ 20 PB / year
- to be stored and analysed



<http://www.lhc-france.fr>

# Computer processing (2)

## ◆ 1989: web invented at CERN

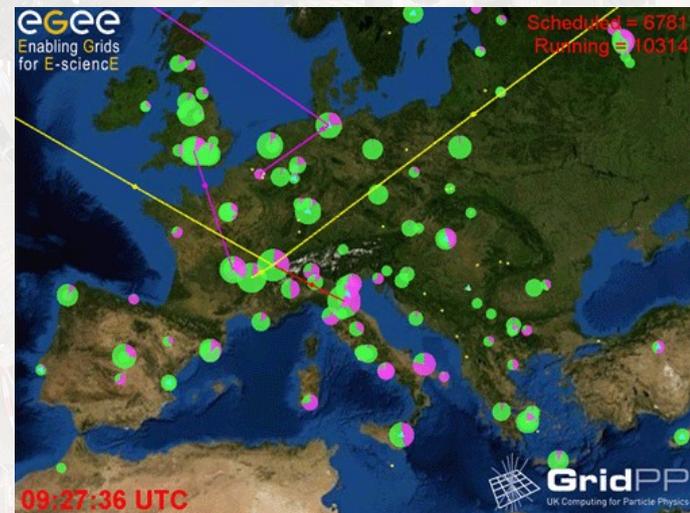
- to exchange information between physicists all around the world
- http protocol, html, first web browser, ...



<http://info.cern.ch/>

## ◆ Now: Grid technology

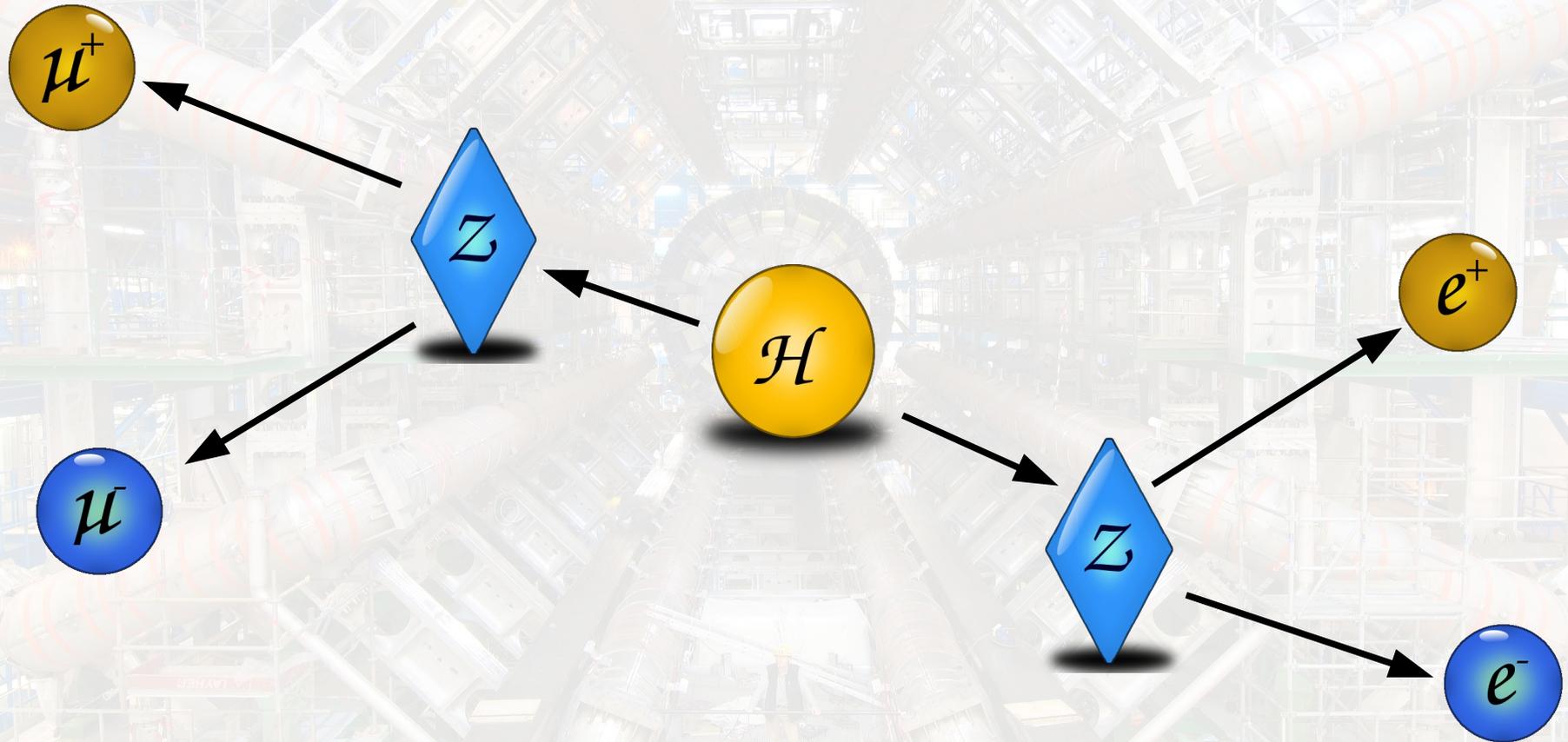
- data stored in many sites
- analysis jobs sent to computers where the data is
- output sent back to analyser
- real time monitor: <http://rtm.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk/webstart.php>





# A LHC event (1)

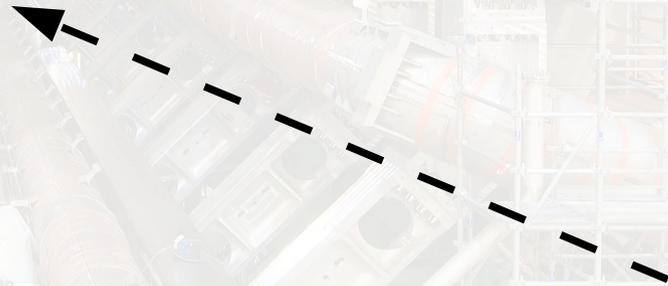
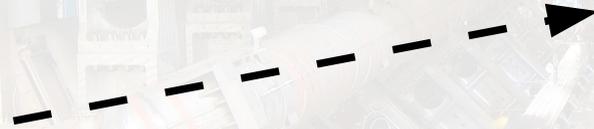
- ◆ Example of  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$  decay:





# A LHC event (2)

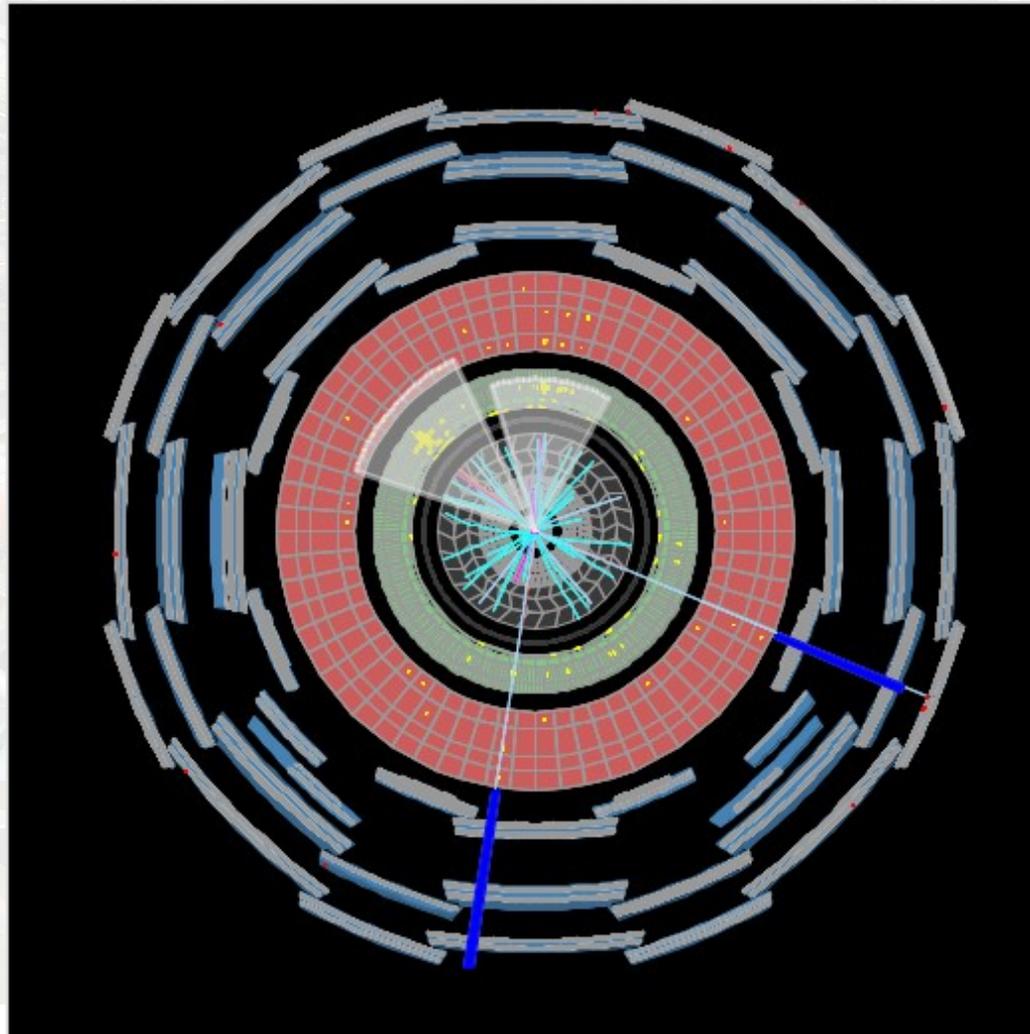
◆ What we see in the detector:





# Step 1: Find interesting events

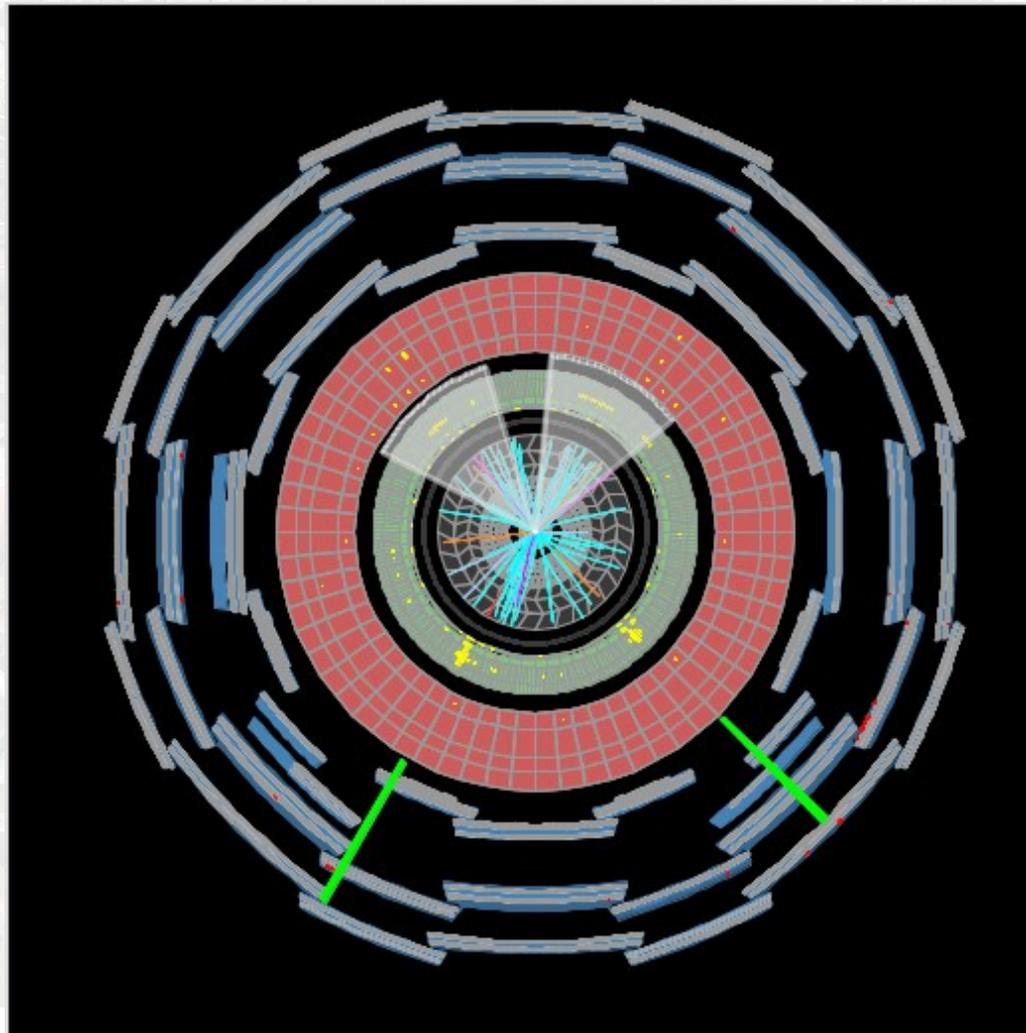
- ◆ We are looking for  $e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$
- ◆ Is this event OK?





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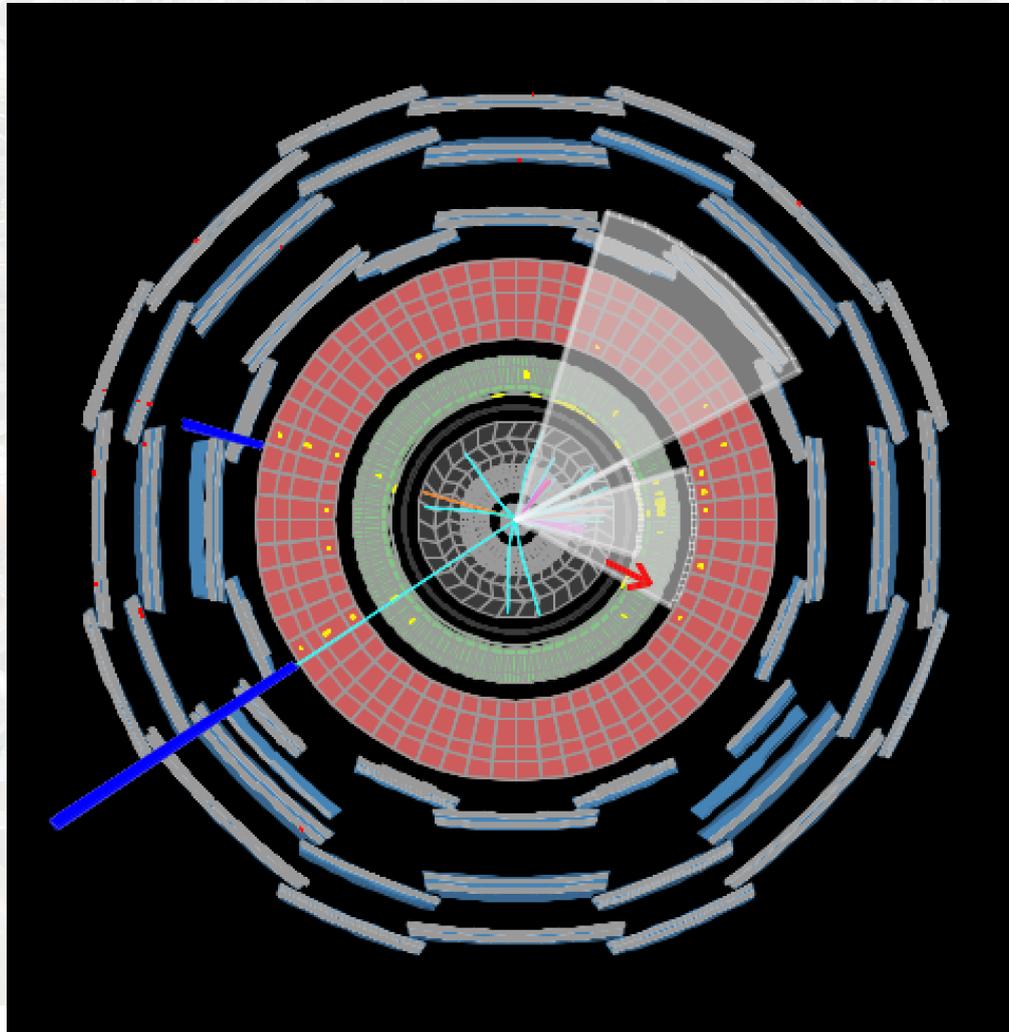
- ◆ We are looking for  $e^+e^- \mu^+ \mu^-$
- ◆ Or this one?





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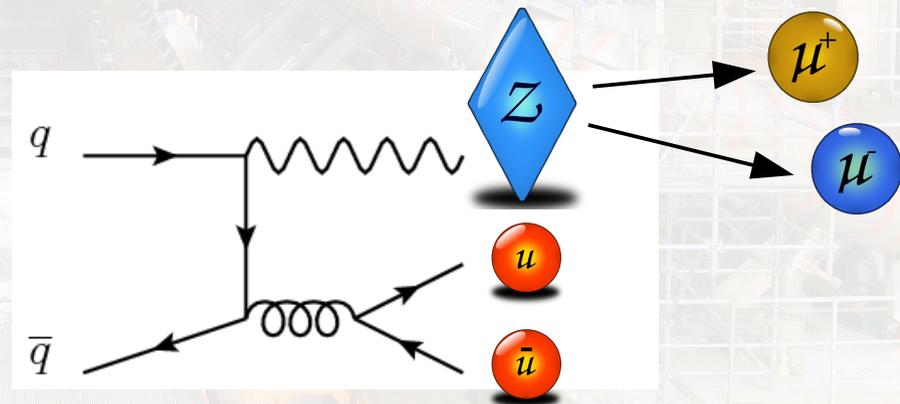
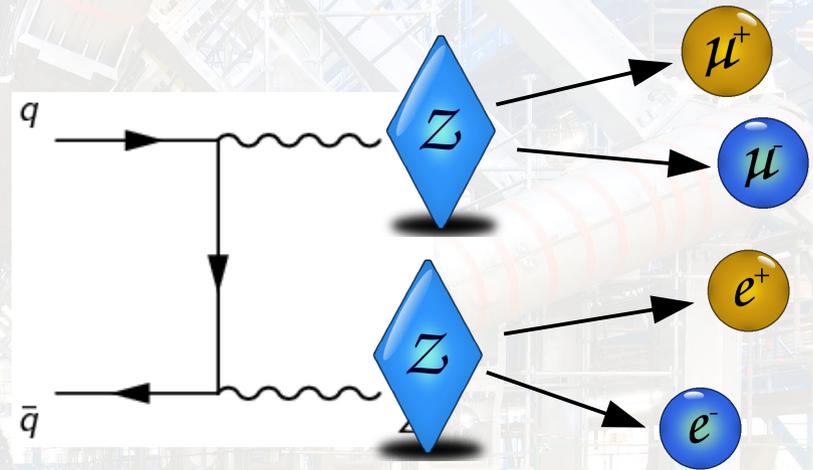
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# Signal and background

- ◆ Signal:  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$
- ◆ Irreducible background:
  - exactly the same final state
  - ex.: ZZ not coming from Higgs
- ◆ Reducible background:
  - final state mimicking the signal
  - ex.: Z+2 quarks,  $t\bar{t}$ , etc

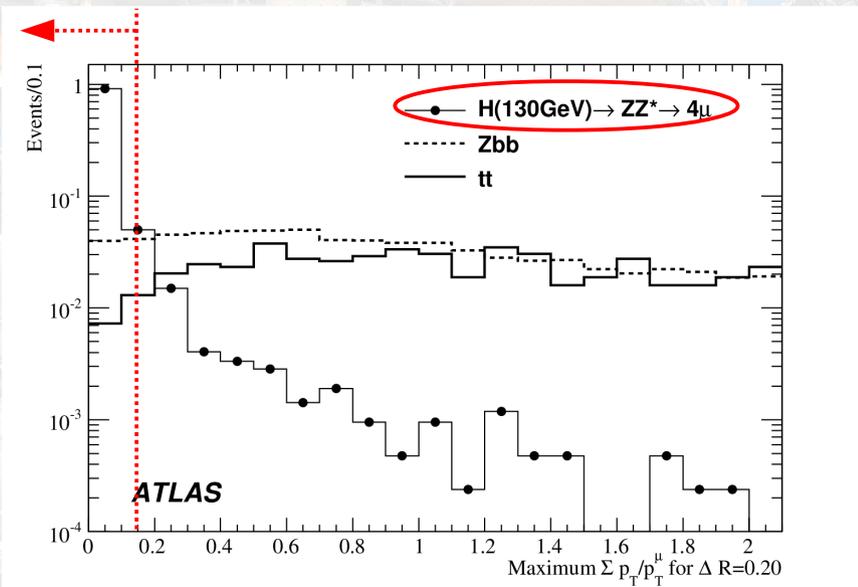




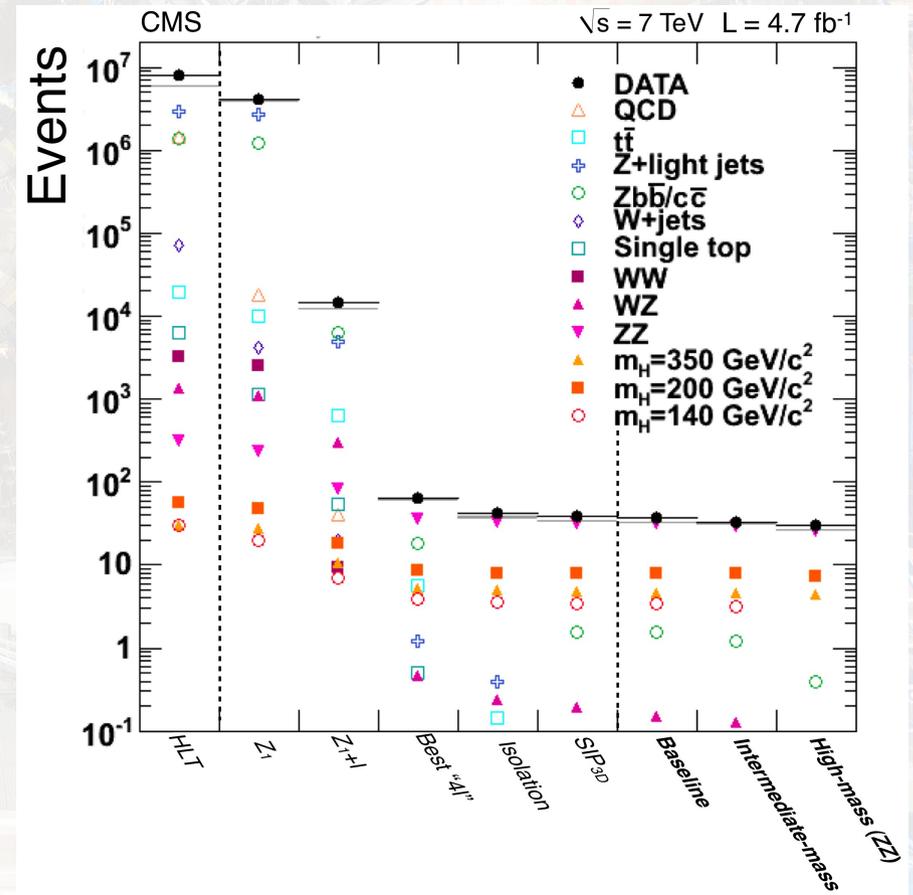
# Selection cuts

- ◆ Cut on particle kinematics, event shape, etc, to distinguish signal from background

- ◆ Example:



- ◆ Try to keep signal while removing background (ie increase S/B)

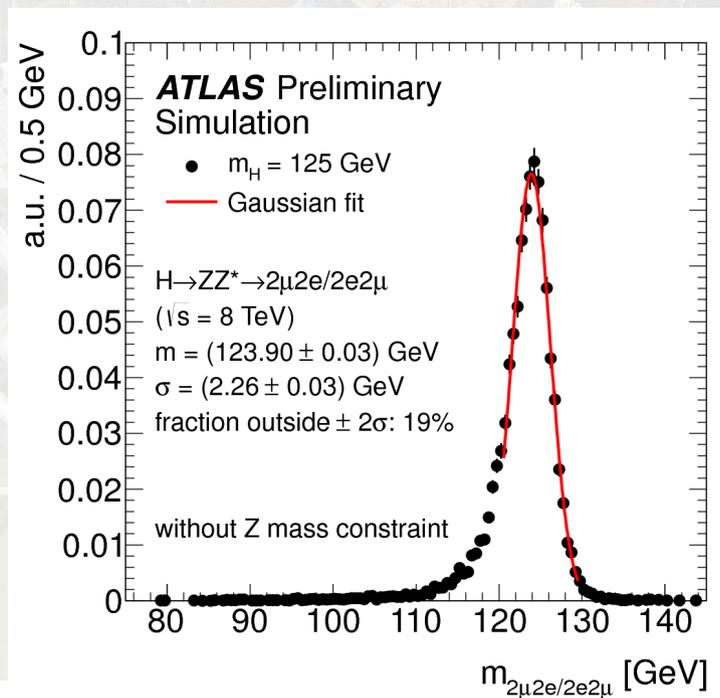


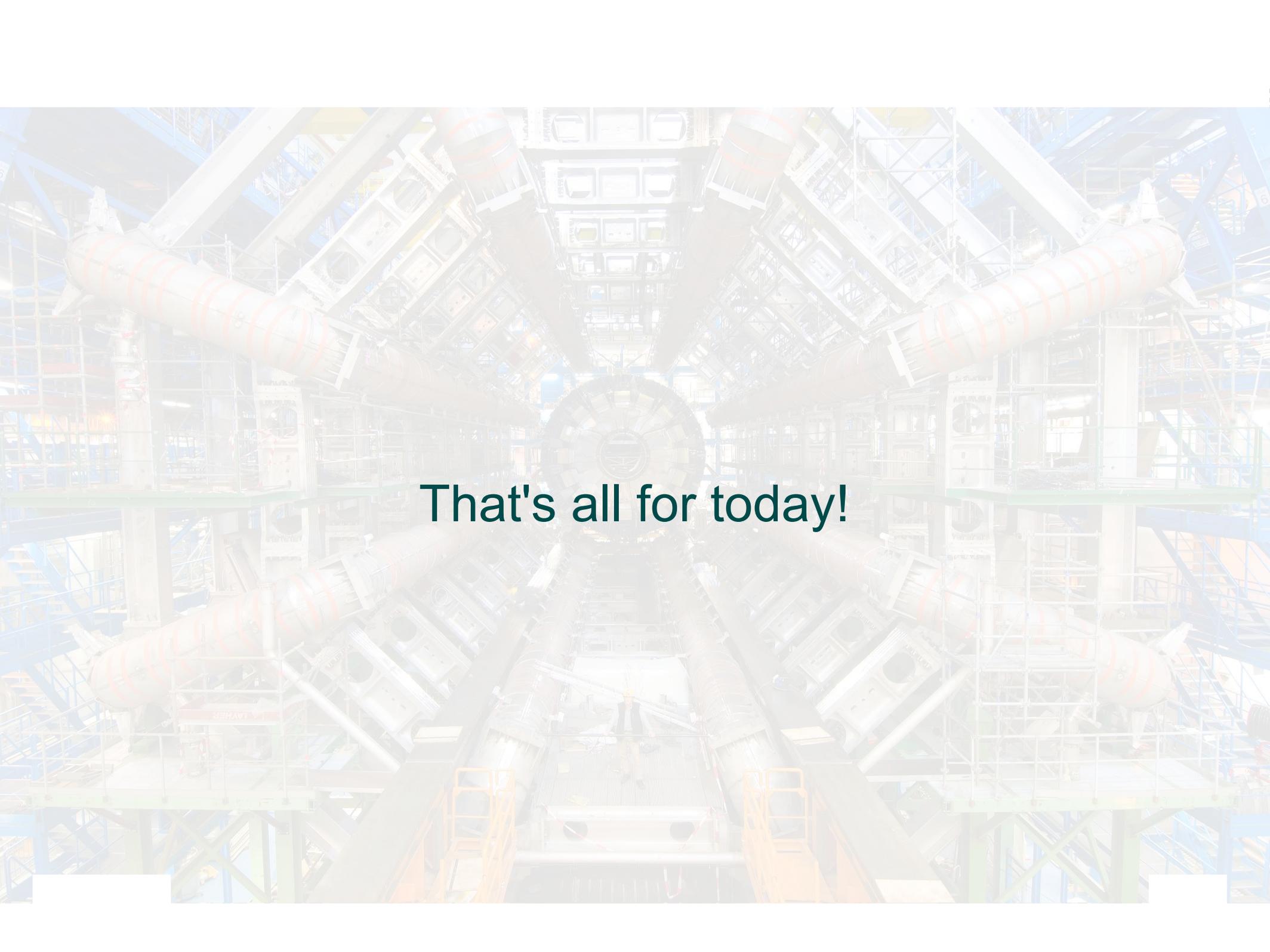


# Step 2: Reconstruct initial particle

- ◆ We have 4 particles with their energy (calorimeters), charge and momentum (tracker)
- ◆ Use pairs of opposite sign  $e^+e^-$  and  $\mu^+\mu^-$
- ◆ Reconstruct invariant mass from the 4 particles:

$$M^2 = (E_1 + E_2 + E_3 + E_4)^2 - \|\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2 + \vec{p}_3 + \vec{p}_4\|^2$$



The image shows a vast, complex industrial structure, likely a particle accelerator. It features a central horizontal tunnel with a circular opening at the far end. On either side of the tunnel, there are multiple large, cylindrical components, possibly magnets or detectors, arranged in a series. The structure is supported by a dense network of blue and green metal beams and scaffolding. A person in a yellow hard hat and safety vest is visible in the lower center of the frame, providing a sense of scale to the massive facility. The overall scene is brightly lit, highlighting the intricate details of the machinery.

**That's all for today!**