

# Elementary Particle Physics

## Microcosmos

- I. Quantum world
- II. CERN: *past & present*
- III. *Particle physics matters!*
- IV. Astroparticle physics

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*Quest: building blocks of matter*

$$\mathcal{L}_{GWS} = \sum_f (\bar{\Psi}_f (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m_f) \Psi_f - e Q_f \bar{\Psi}_f \gamma^\mu \Psi_f A_\mu) +$$

$$+ \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_i (\bar{a}_L^i \gamma^\mu b_L^i W_\mu^+ + \bar{b}_L^i \gamma^\mu a_L^i W_\mu^-) + \frac{g}{2c_w} \sum_f \bar{\Psi}_f \gamma^\mu (I_f^3 - 2s_w^2 Q_f - I_f^3 \gamma_5) \Psi_f Z_\mu +$$

$$- \frac{1}{4} |\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu - ie(W_\mu^- W_\nu^+ - W_\mu^+ W_\nu^-)|^2 - \frac{1}{2} |\partial_\mu W_\nu^+ - \partial_\nu W_\mu^+ +$$

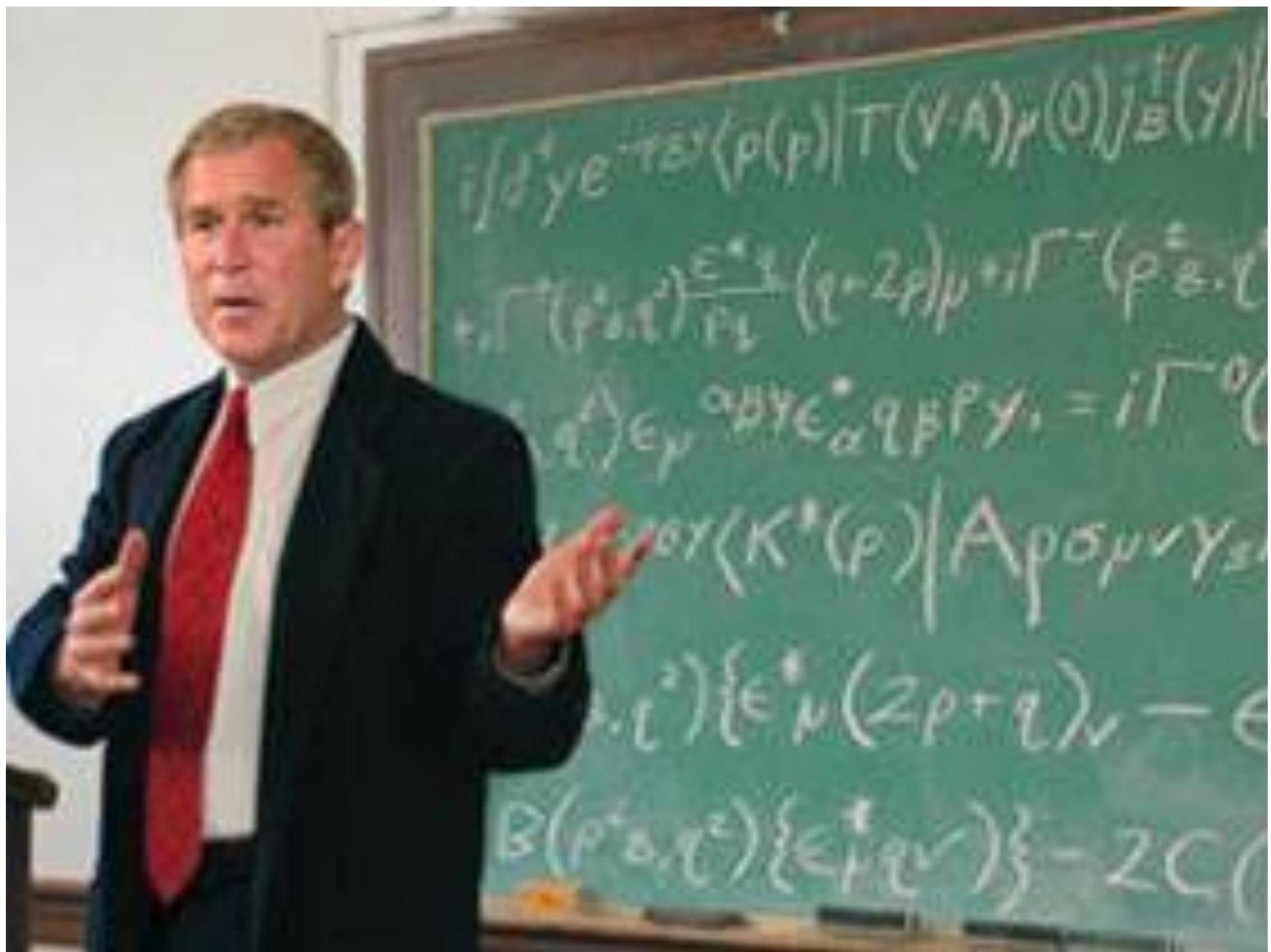
$$-ie(W_\mu^+ A_\nu - W_\nu^+ A_\mu) + ig' c_w (W_\mu^+ Z_\nu - W_\nu^+ Z_\mu)|^2 +$$

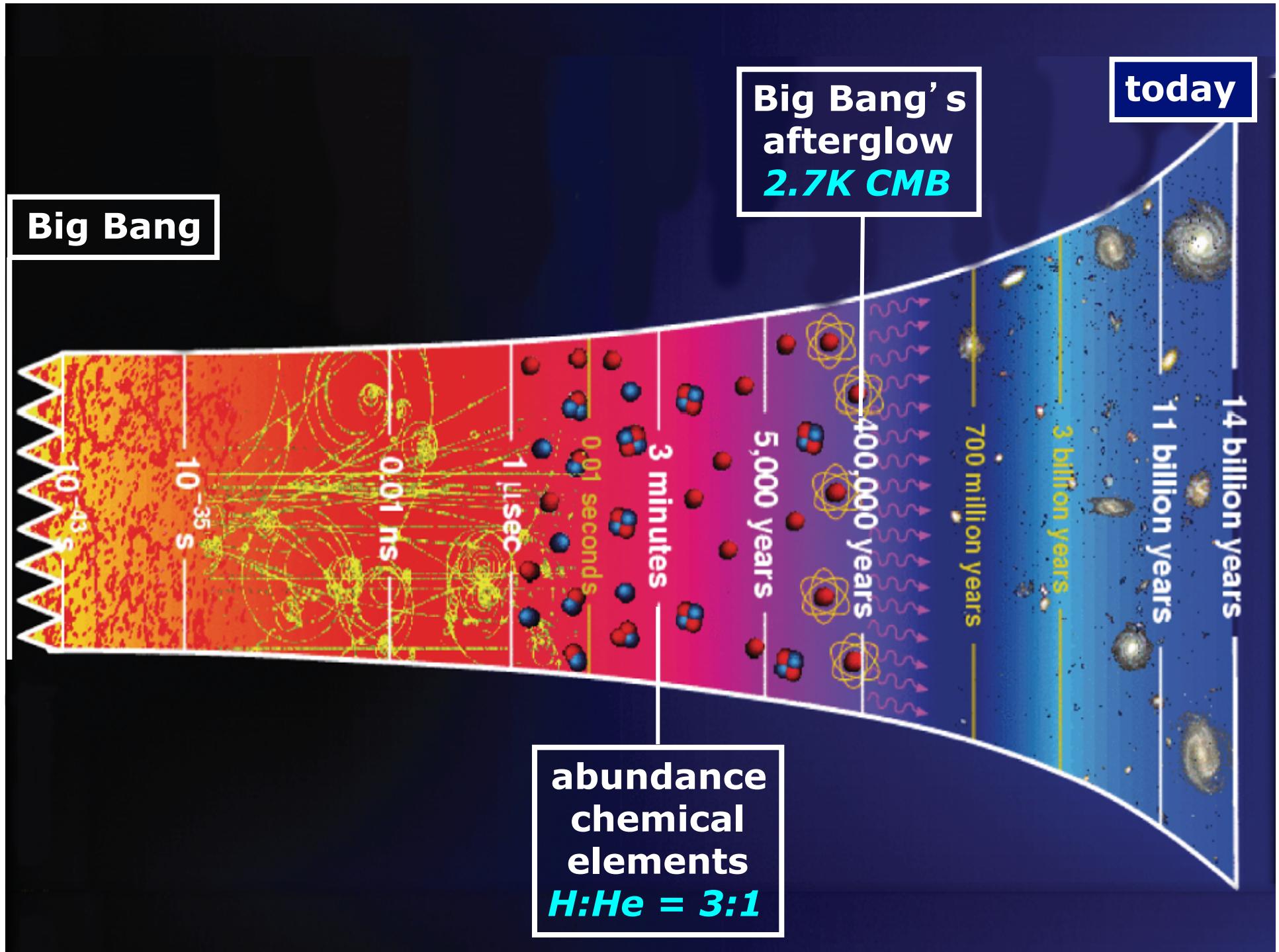
$$- \frac{1}{4} |\partial_\mu Z_\nu - \partial_\nu Z_\mu + ig' c_w (W_\mu^- W_\nu^+ - W_\mu^+ W_\nu^-)|^2 +$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} M_\eta^2 \eta^2 - \frac{g M_\eta^2}{8 M_W} \eta^3 - \frac{g'^2 M_\eta^2}{32 M_W} \eta^4 + |M_W W_\mu^+ + \frac{g}{2} \eta W_\mu^+|^2 +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} |\partial_\mu \eta + i M_Z Z_\mu + \frac{ig}{2c_w} \eta Z_\mu|^2 - \sum_f \frac{g}{2} \frac{m_f}{M_W} \bar{\Psi}_f \Psi_f \eta$$

**Standard Model**



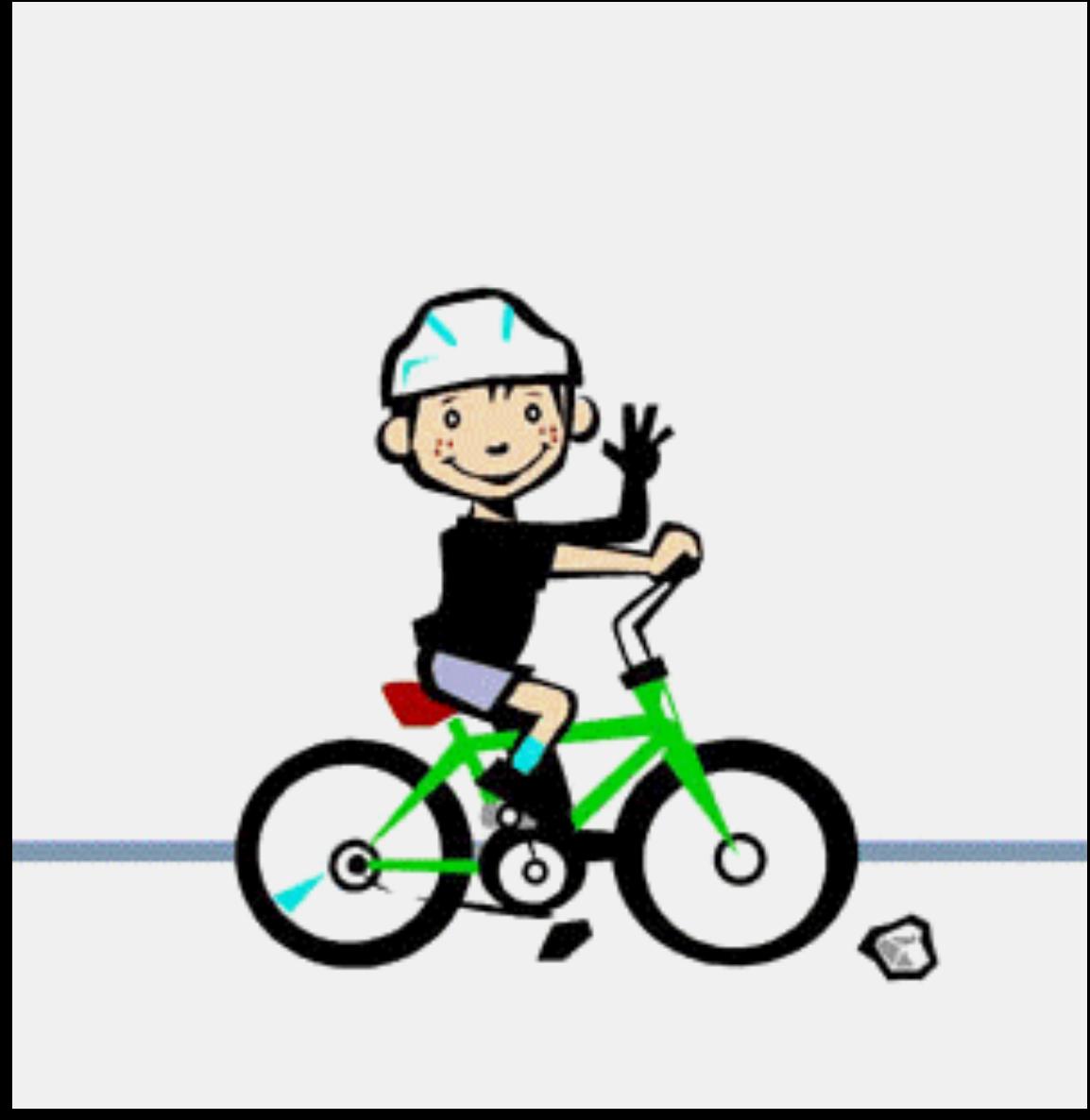


# Particle physics “specials”

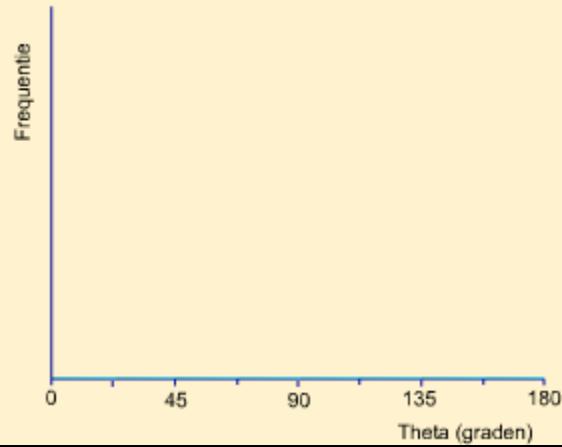
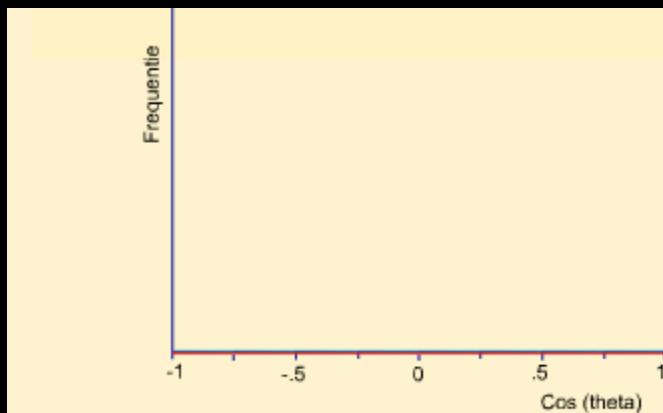
*Very nice, dear colleague .....  
... but does it also work in theory?*



# Particle collisions: *cross section*

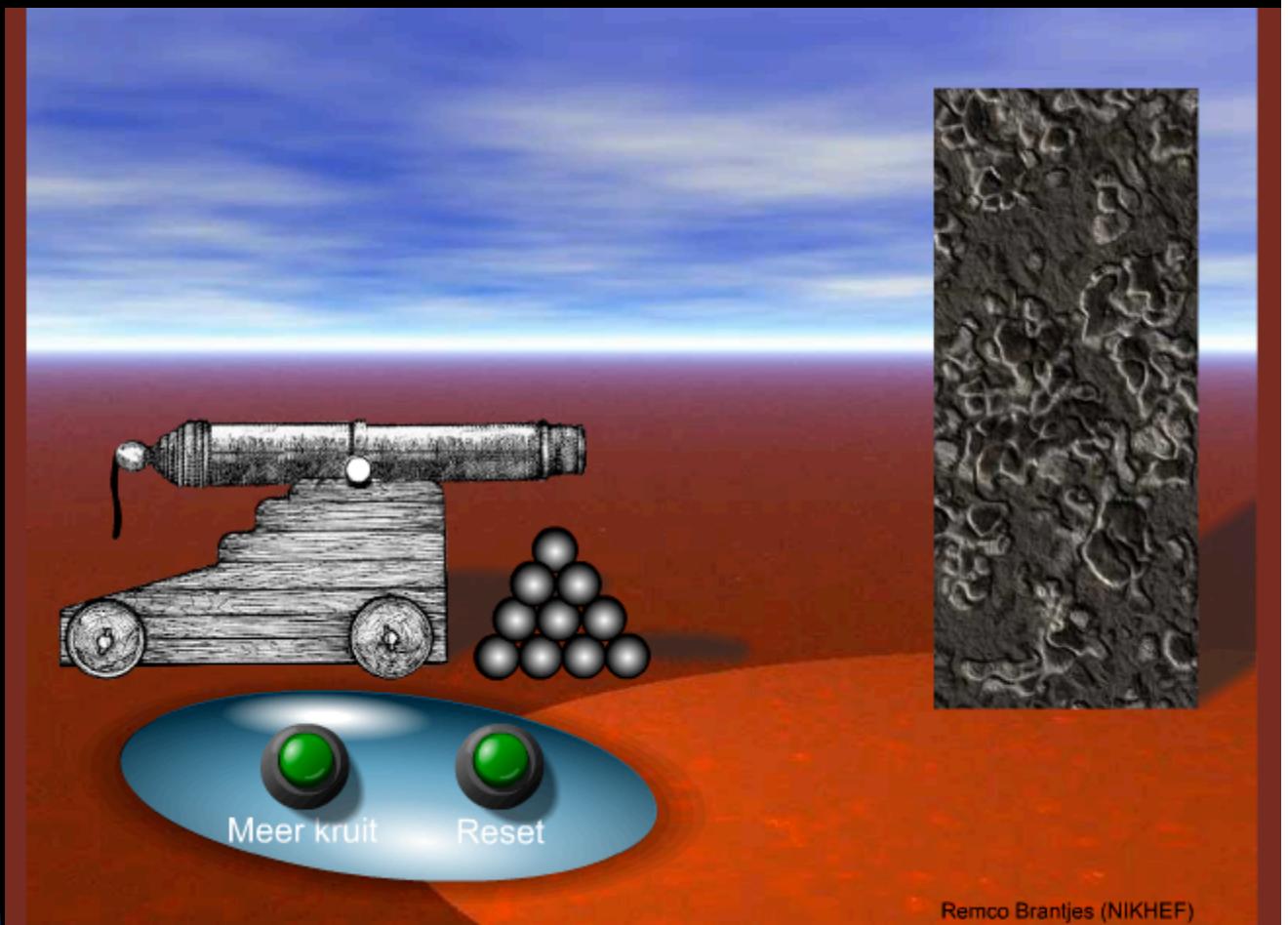


# *Cross section*



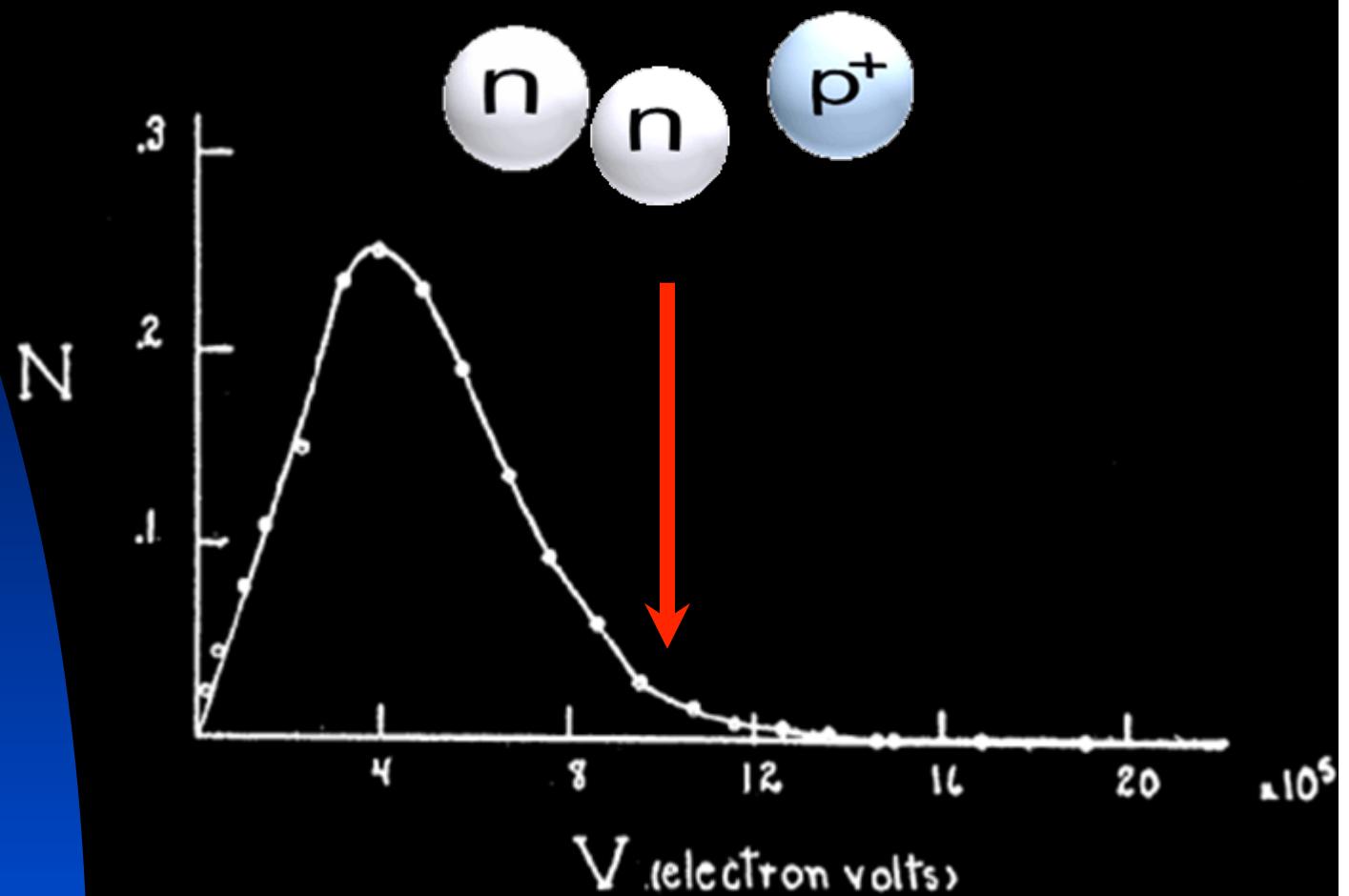
Start/Stop

# Particle instability: *decay*



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# *Decay*





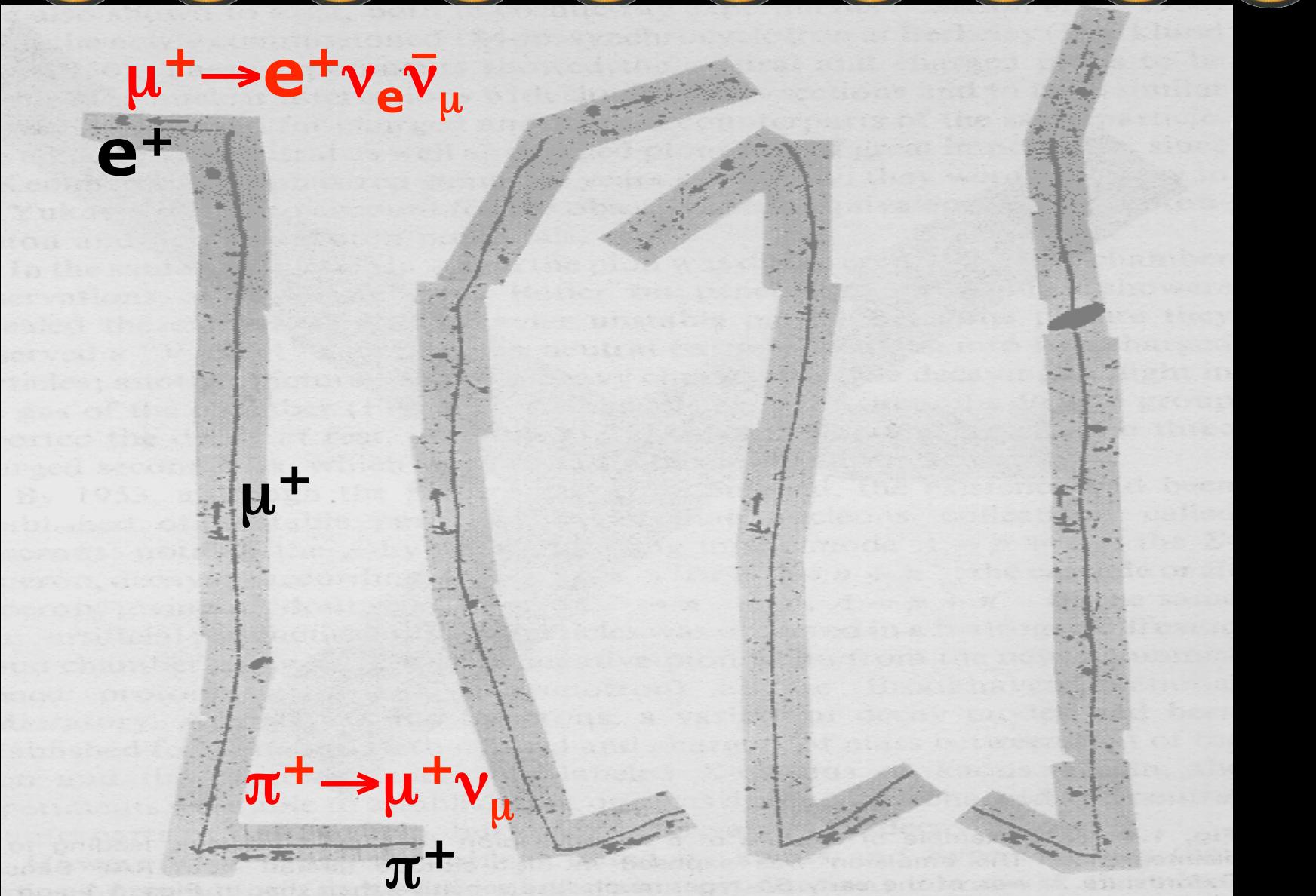
$$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

$$e^+$$

$$\mu^+$$

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$$

$$\pi^+$$



# Lifetime $\leftrightarrow$ life expectation



75 years?



35 years?



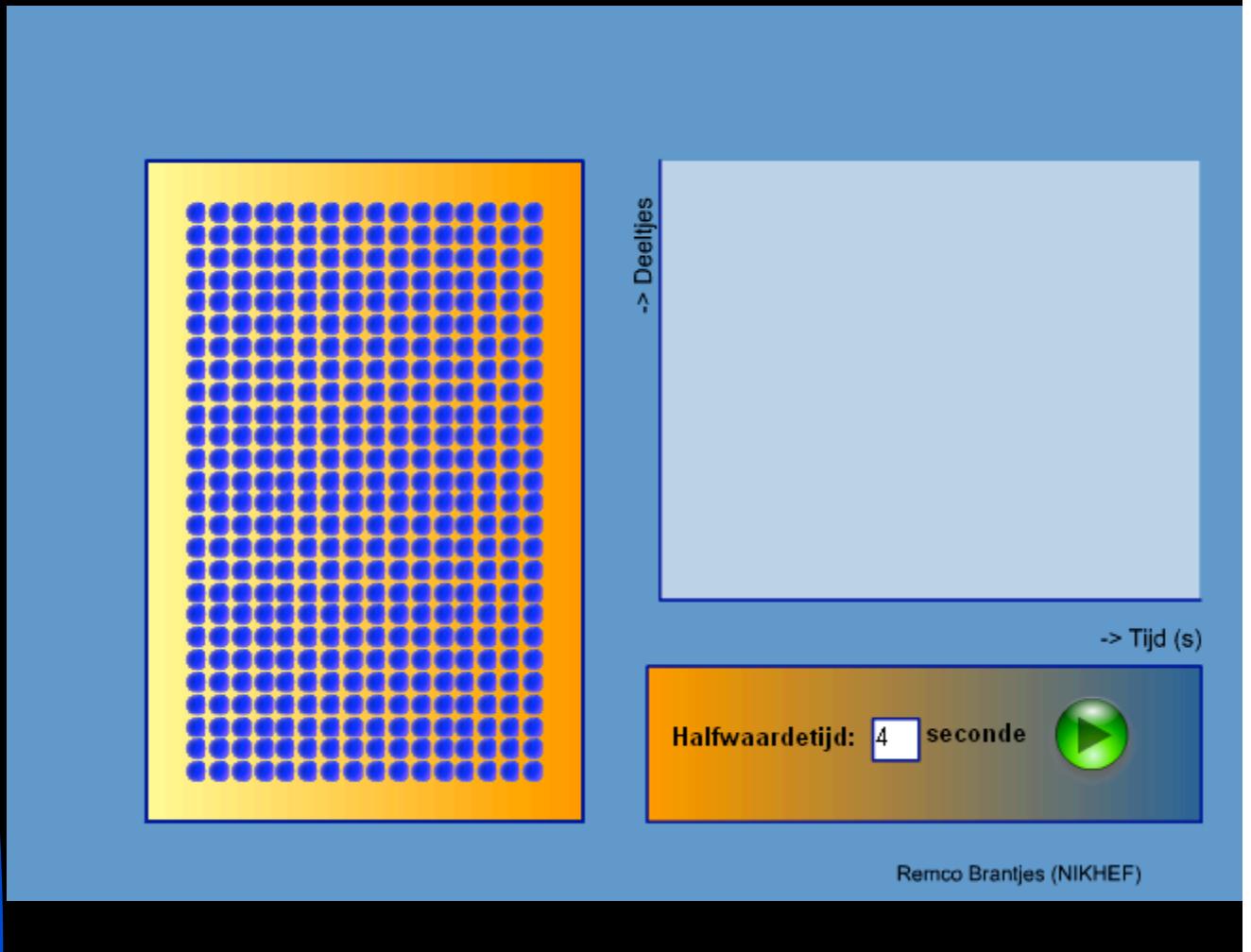
5 years?

# Unstable particles: *lifetime*

note:

As opposed to human beings, decay probability of an unstable particle does not depend on how long it lived already i.e. its past history!

*simple!*



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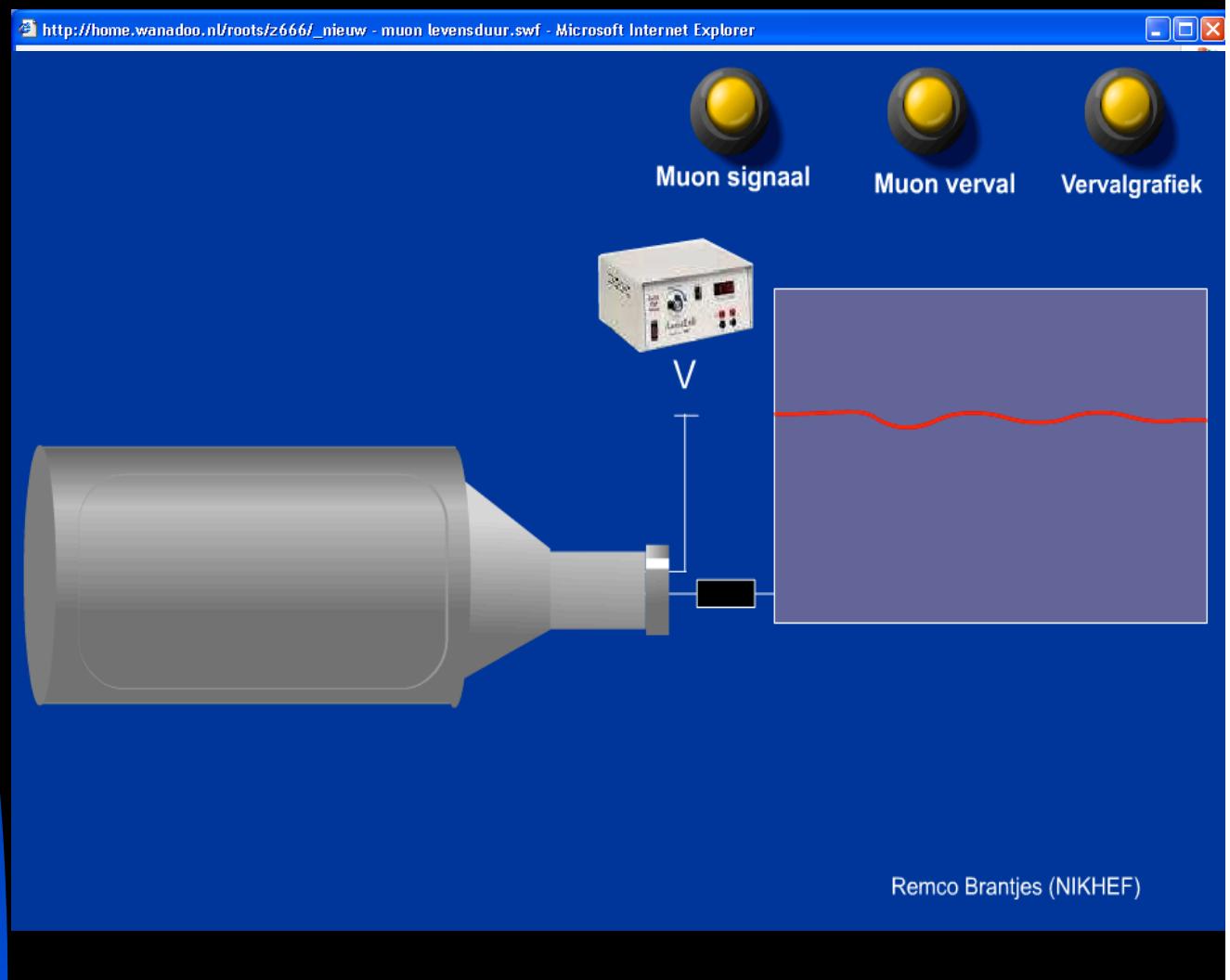
# Actual experiment: muon ( $\mu$ ) lifetime

Start stopwatch:

Muon enters  
the detector.

Stop stopwatch:

Muon decays:  
generated electron  
triggers detector.

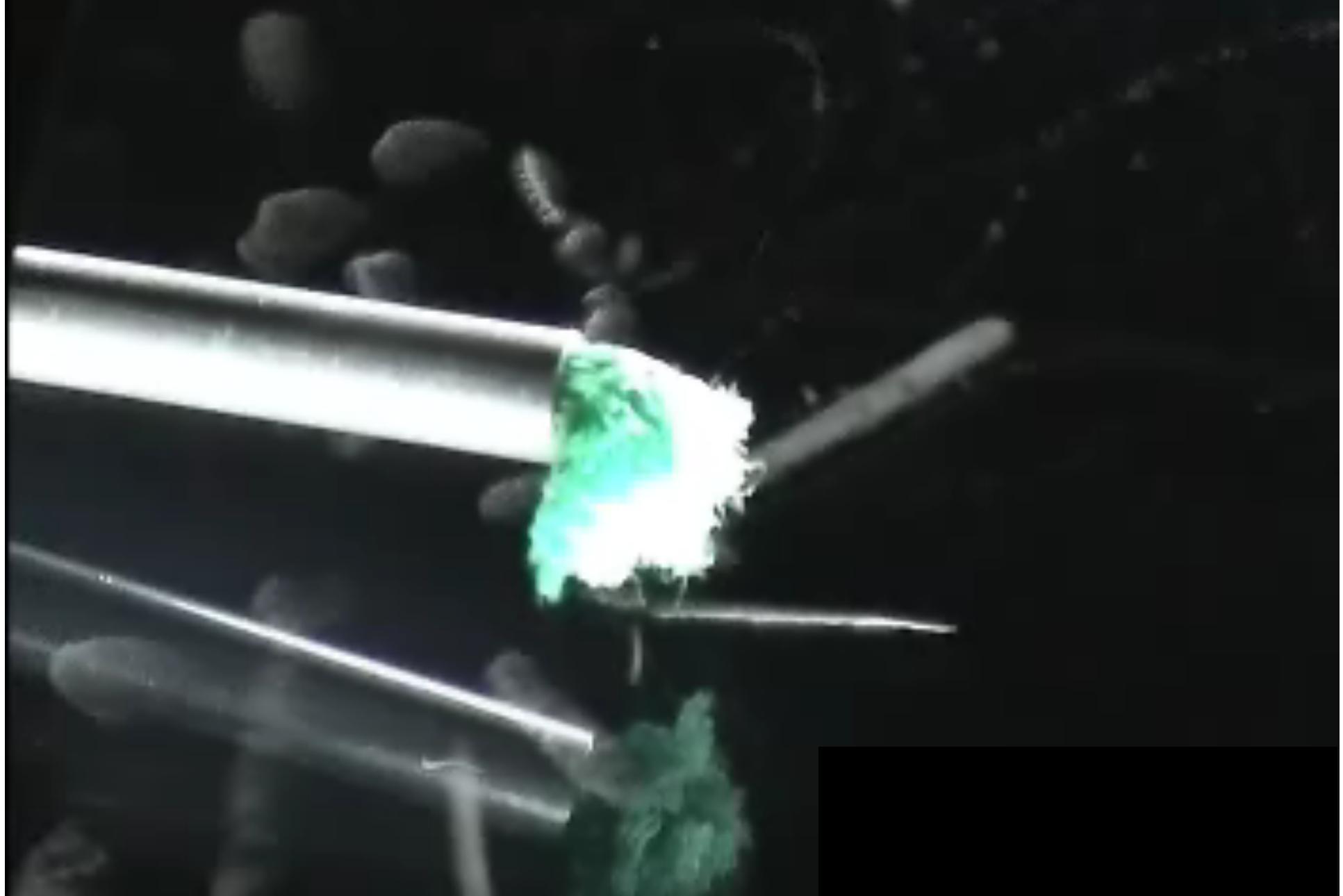


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# Particle physics “old days”



# Particle detector: *cloud chamber*



# Particle Zoo

kaon's

$K^+$   $K^0$   $\bar{K}^0$   $K^-$

pion's

$\pi^+$   $\pi^0$   $\pi^-$

lambda  
 $\Lambda^0$

rho's  
 $\rho^+$   $\rho^0$   $\rho^-$

omega

$\Omega^-$

nucleon's

n p

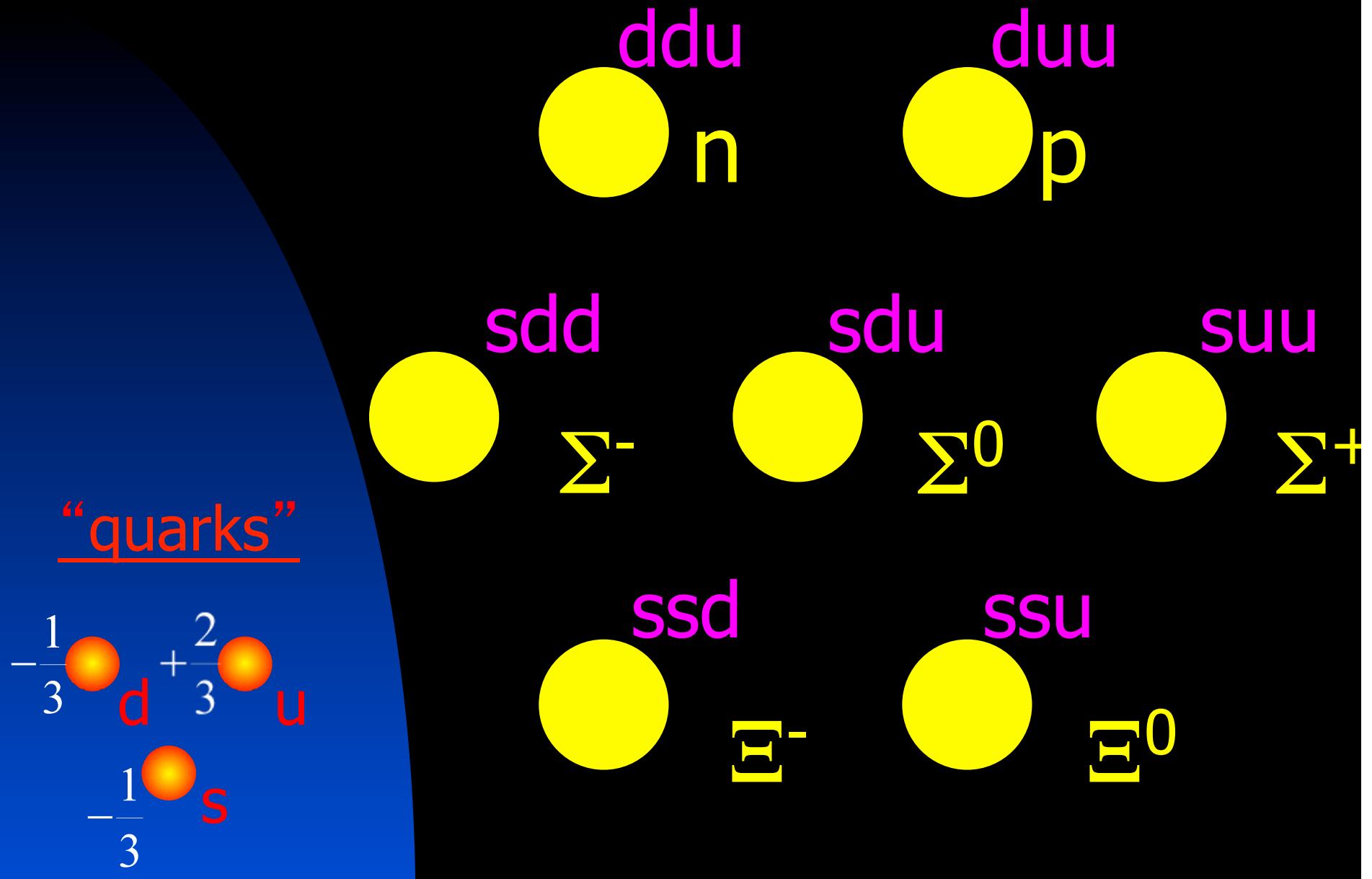
delta's

$\Delta^{++}$   $\Delta^+$   $\Delta^0$   $\Delta^-$

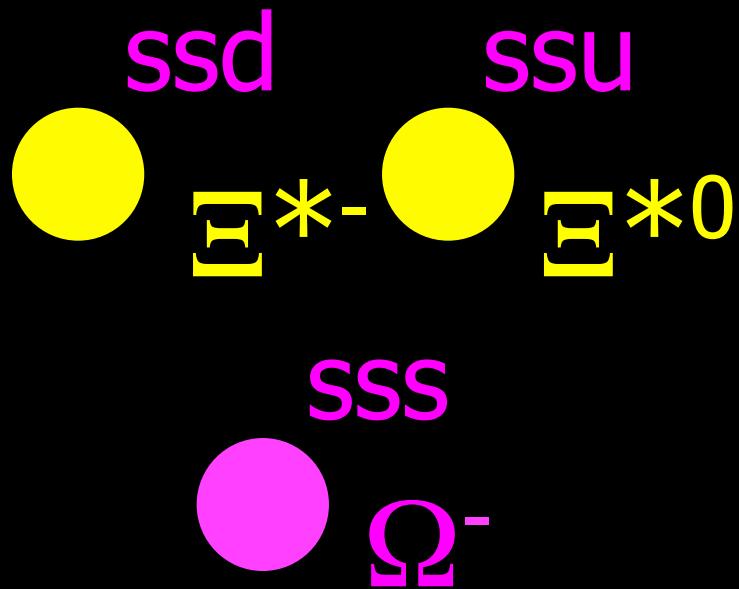
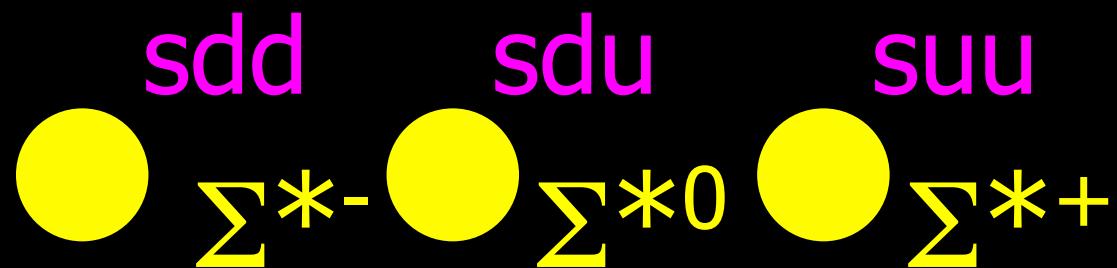
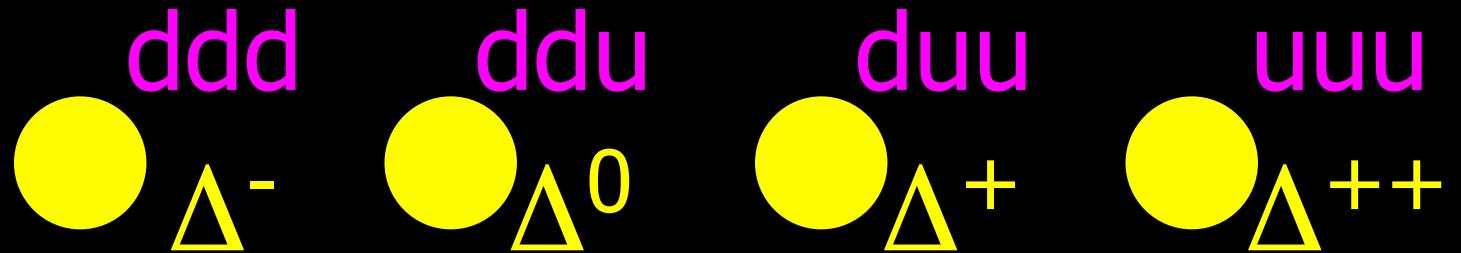
sigma's  
 $\Sigma^+$   $\Sigma^0$   $\Sigma^-$

cascade  
 $\Xi^0$   $\Xi^-$

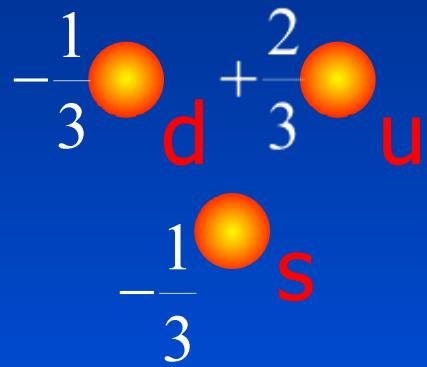
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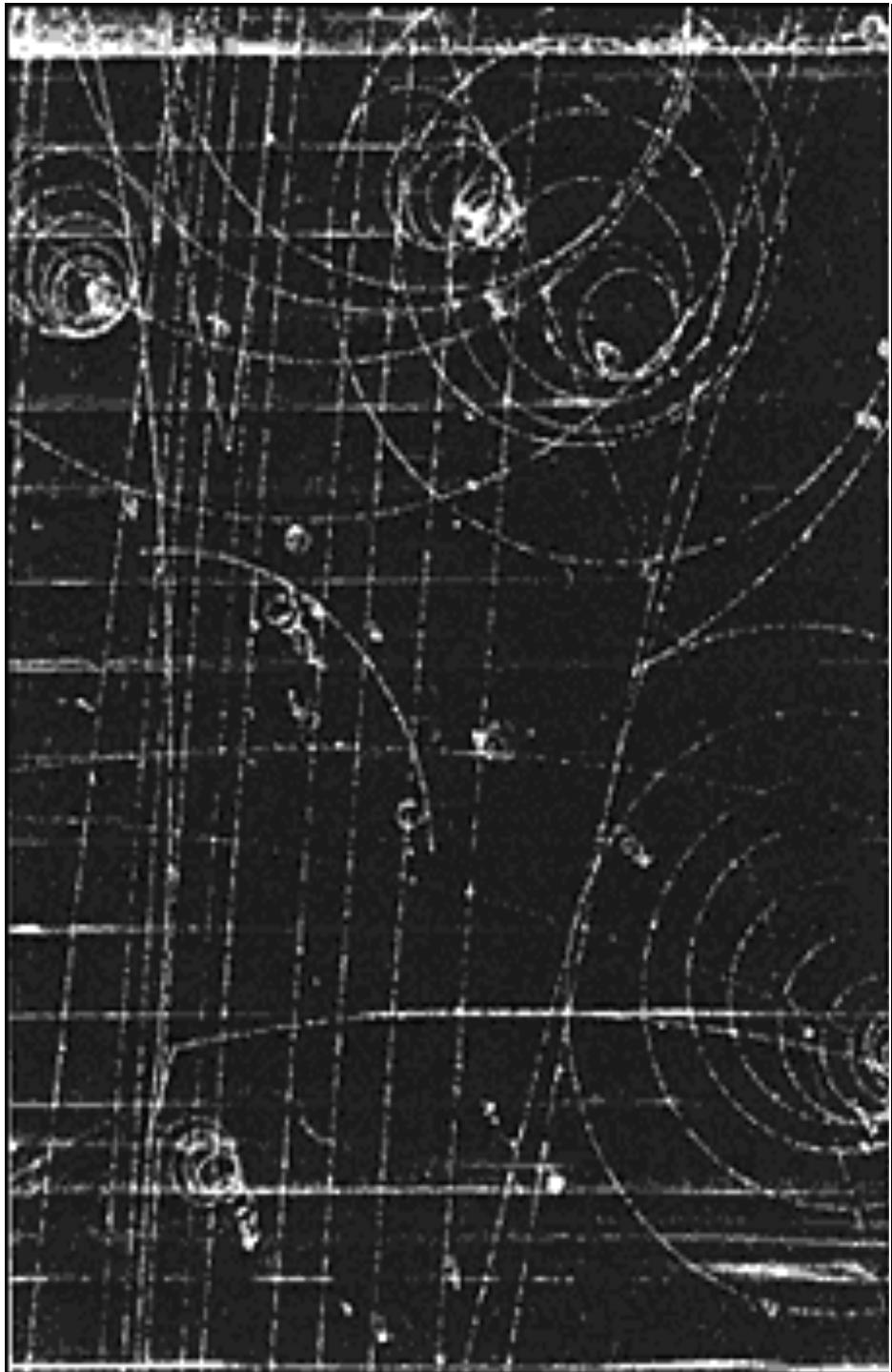


# Mendeleev revisited!



“quarks”

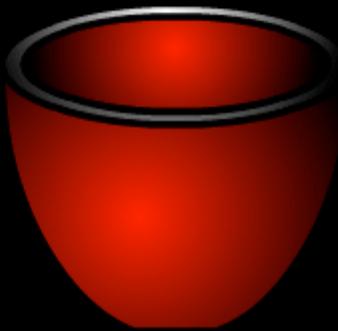




- $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow p\pi^-$
- $\Xi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\Lambda^0$
- $\Omega^- \rightarrow \pi^-\Xi^0$

# Quark model: *Gell-mann (1964)*

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QUARK	CHARGE	QUARK	CHARGE	QUARK	CHARGE
u	+2/3	d	-1/3	s	-1/3
ū	-2/3	d̄	+1/3	s̄	+1/3

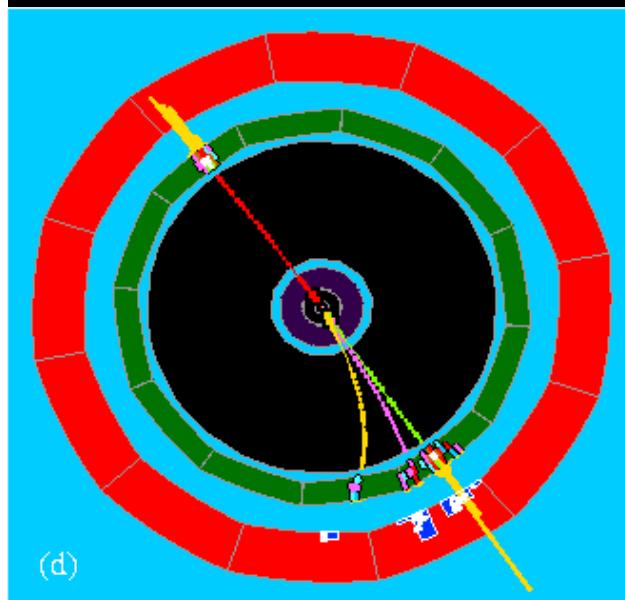
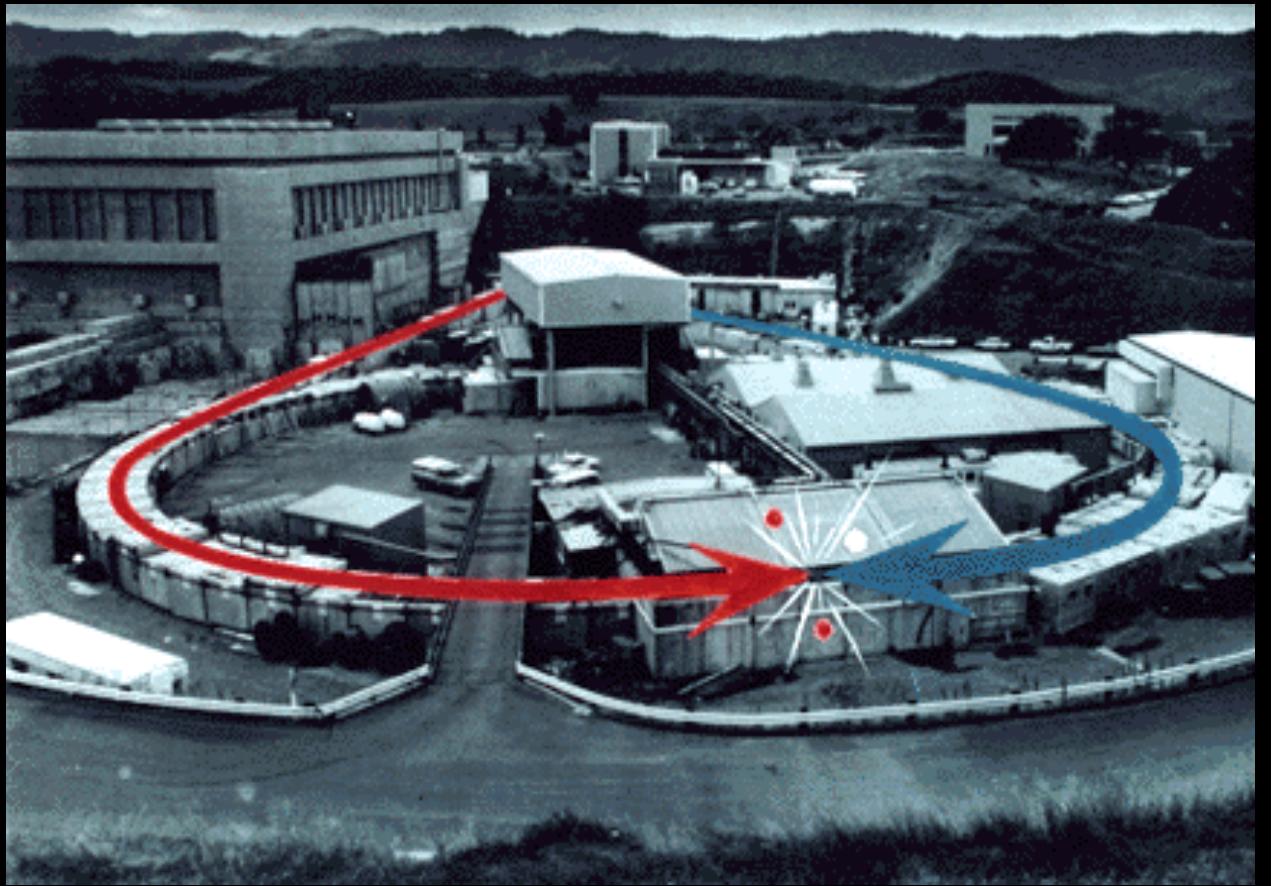
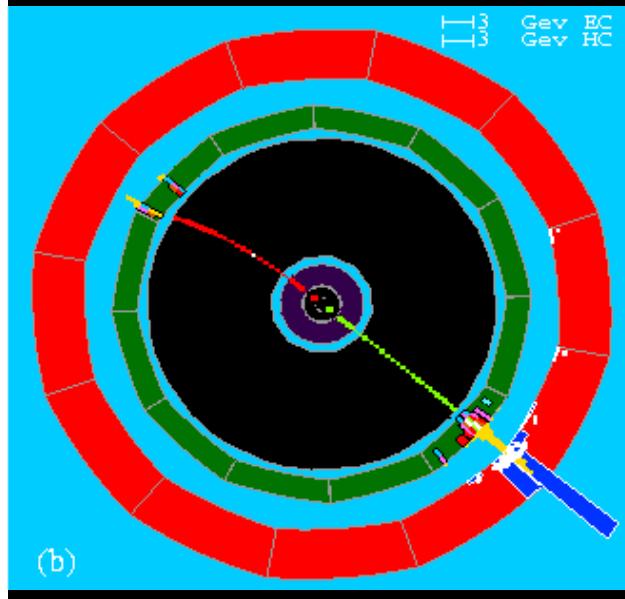


Done

Reset

# Tau ( $\tau$ ) discovery: $e^+e^-$ collider

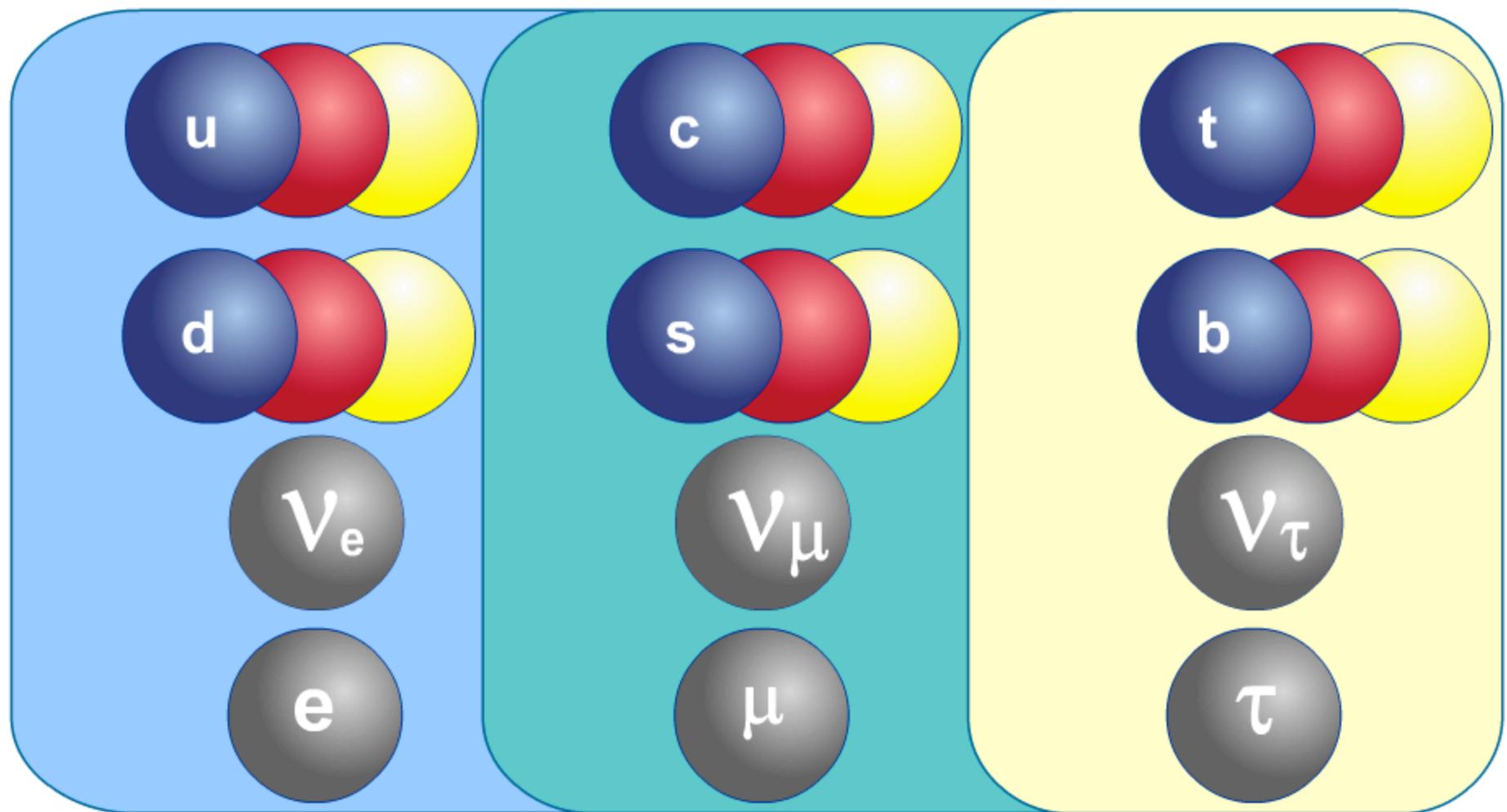
$$m_{\text{tau}} = 31553 \times 10^{-28} \text{ gram}$$



Massa  
Lading

Gevoelig voor:

Elektromagnetische wisselwerking  
Zwakke wisselwerking  
Sterke wisselwerking  
Gravitatie



# Particle physics

## *Big questions*



# 1. Quantization of electric charge?

## The NIST Reference on Constants, Units, and Uncertainty

### Fundamental Physical Constants

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#### elementary charge $e$

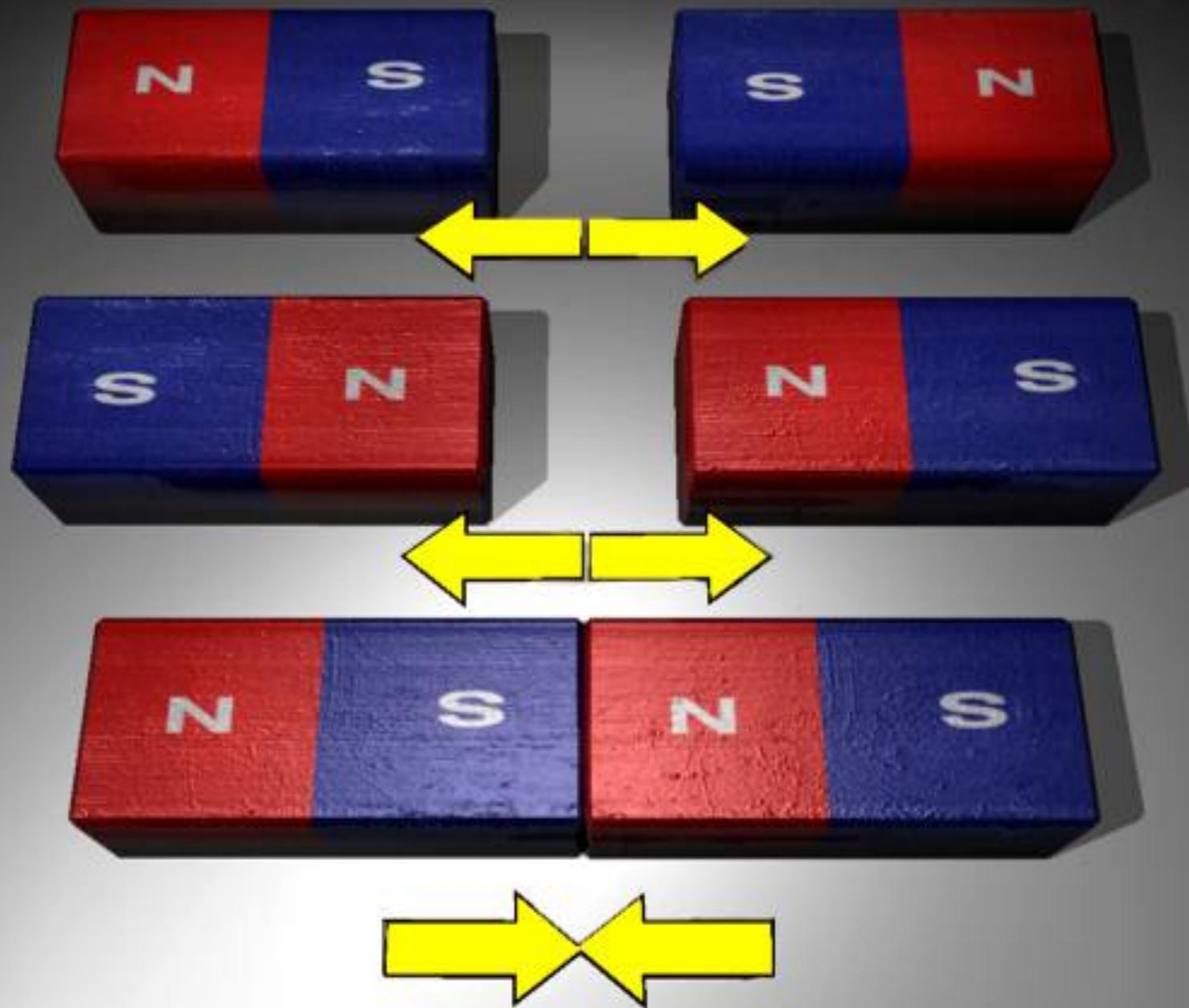
Value  $1.602\ 176\ 487 \times 10^{-19}$  C

Standard uncertainty  $0.000\ 000\ 040 \times 10^{-19}$  C

Relative standard uncertainty  $2.5 \times 10^{-8}$

Concise form  $1.602\ 176\ 487(40) \times 10^{-19}$  C

# 1. Quantization of electric charge?



## 2. Origin of mass?

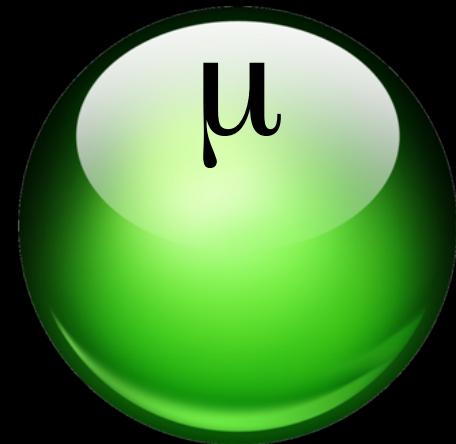
1897



*Electron*

Spin  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Charge -1  
Lifetime  $\infty$   
Mass 0.511 MeV

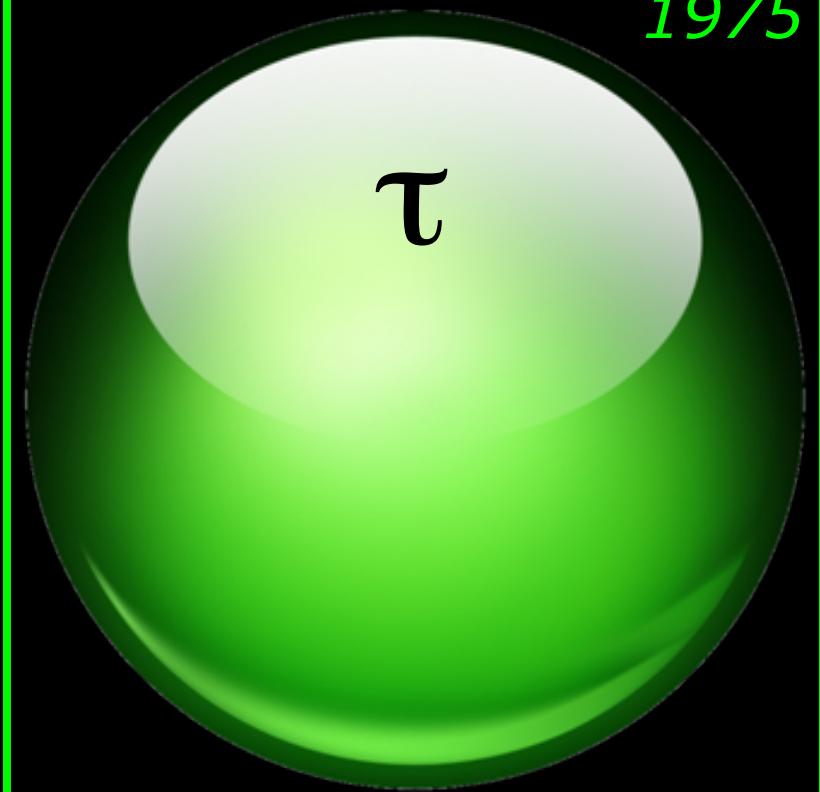
1937



*Muon*

Spin  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Charge -1  
Lifetime 2.2  $\mu$ s  
Mass 106 MeV

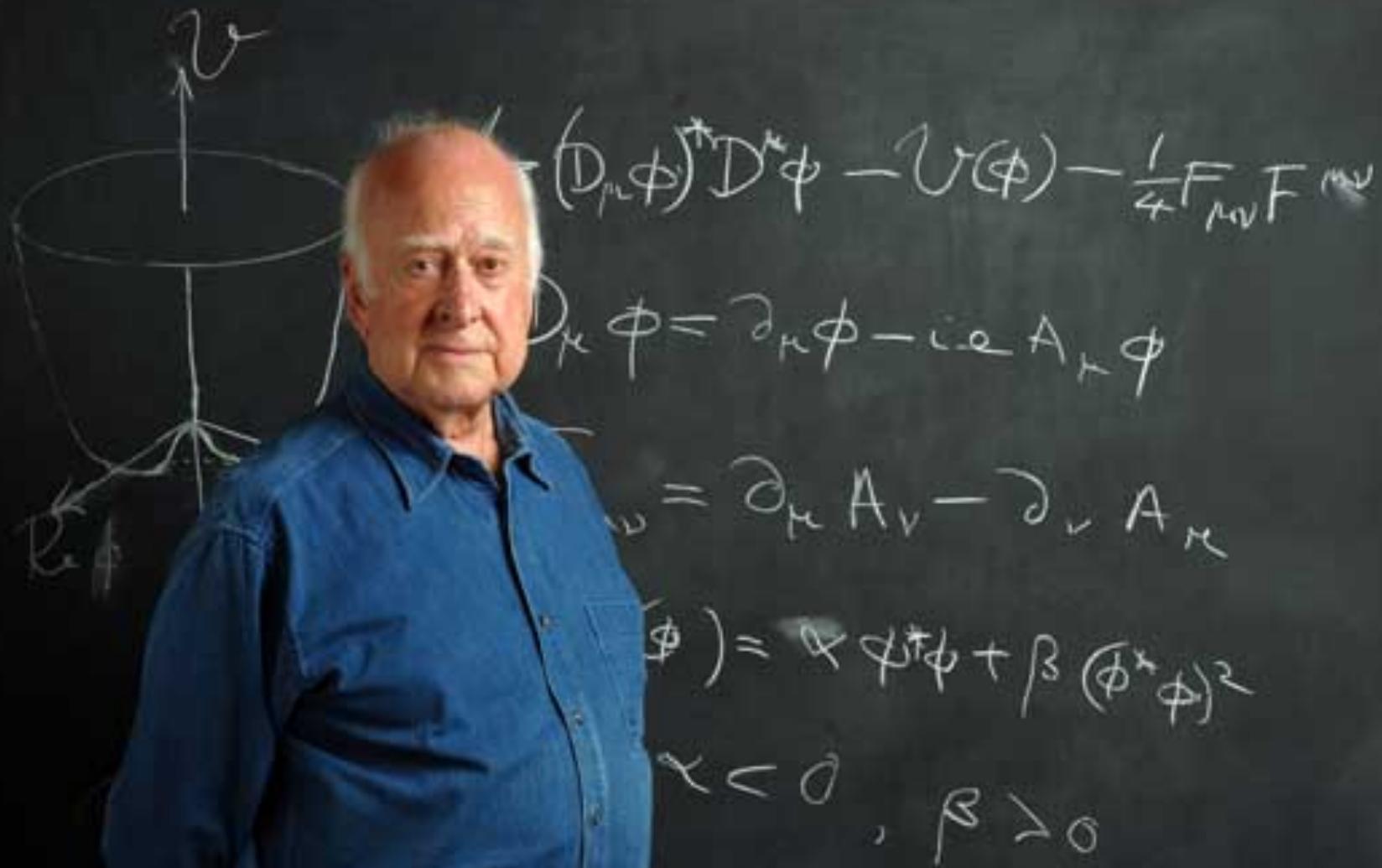
1975



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## 2. Origin of mass?



A portrait of Peter Higgs, a theoretical physicist, standing in front of a chalkboard. He is wearing a blue shirt and has his hands in his pockets. The chalkboard behind him is covered with mathematical equations and diagrams related to the Higgs field and its role in giving mass to particles.

$$(\partial_\mu \phi)^* D^\mu \phi - V(\phi) - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$
$$\partial_\mu \phi = \partial_\mu \phi - i e A_\mu \phi$$
$$\omega = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$$
$$V(\phi) = \lambda \phi^* \phi + \beta (\phi^* \phi)^2$$
$$\lambda < 0, \beta > 0$$

## 2. Origin of mass?

### Quarks

<i>u</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>t</i>
up	charm	top
<i>d</i>	<i>s</i>	<i>b</i>
down	strange	bottom

### Forces

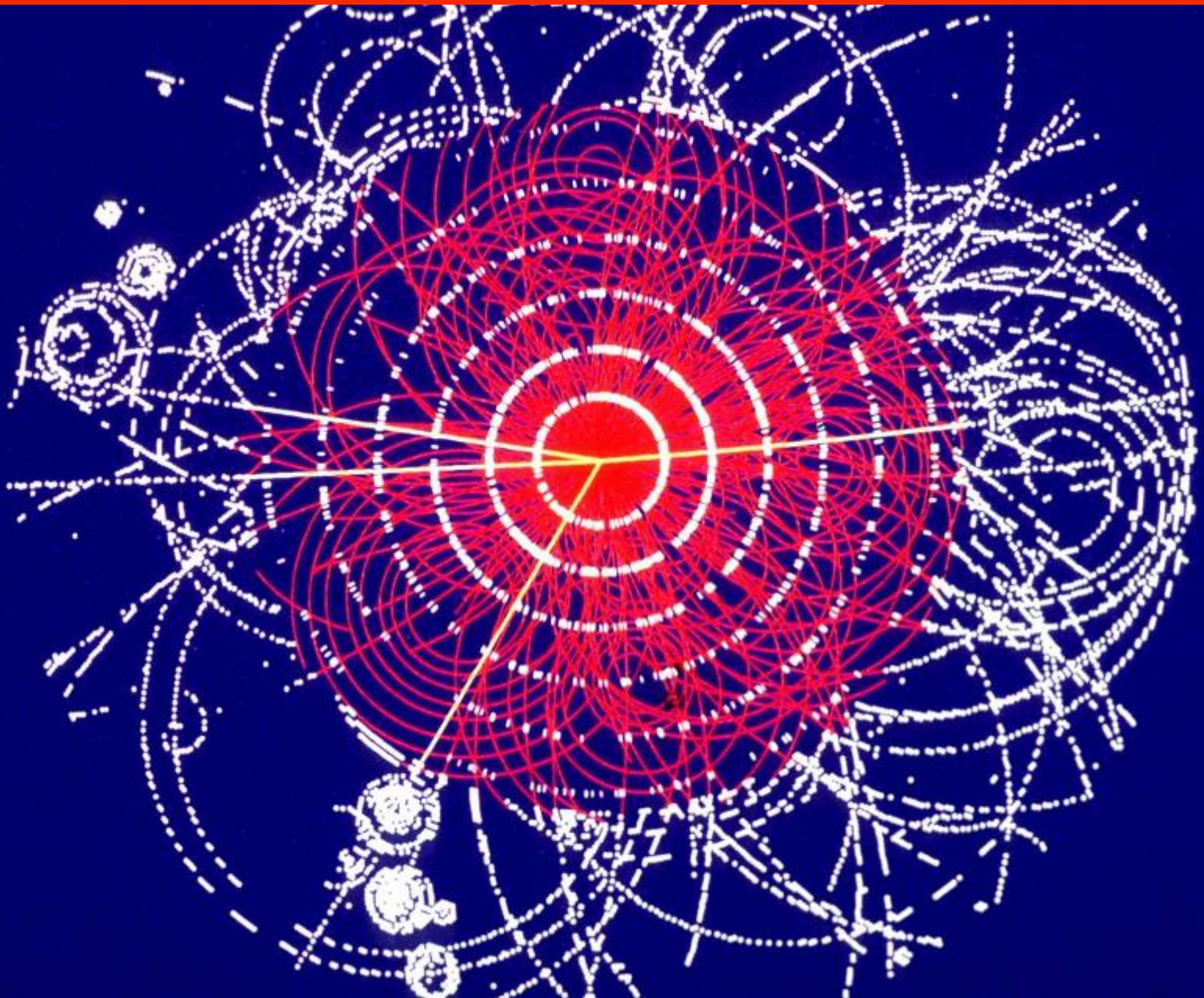
<i>Z</i>	$\gamma$
Z boson	photon
<i>W</i>	<i>g</i>
W boson	gluon

<i>e</i>	$\mu$	$\tau$
electron	muon	tau
$\nu_e$	$\nu_\mu$	$\nu_\tau$
electron neutrino	muon neutrino	tau neutrino

### Leptons

LHC: Higgs particle

## 2. Origin of mass?



### 3. Three families?

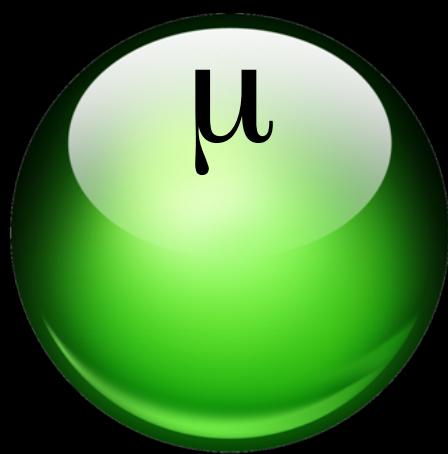
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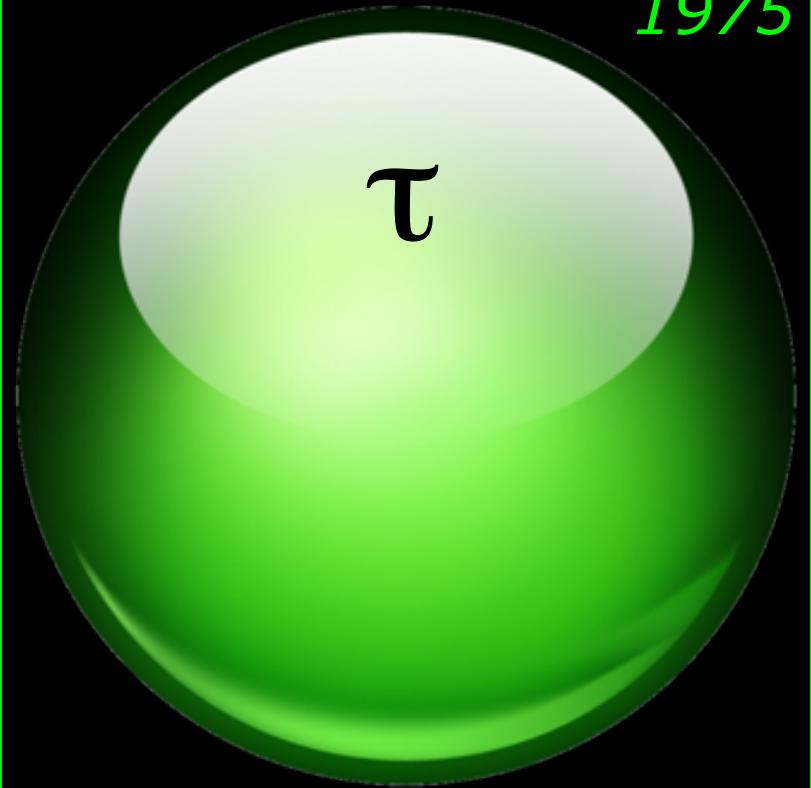
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## 4. What is the matter with antimatter?

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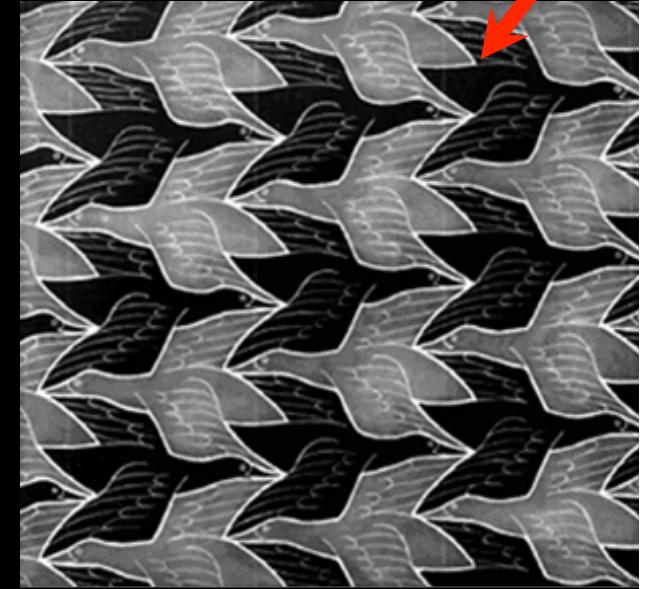
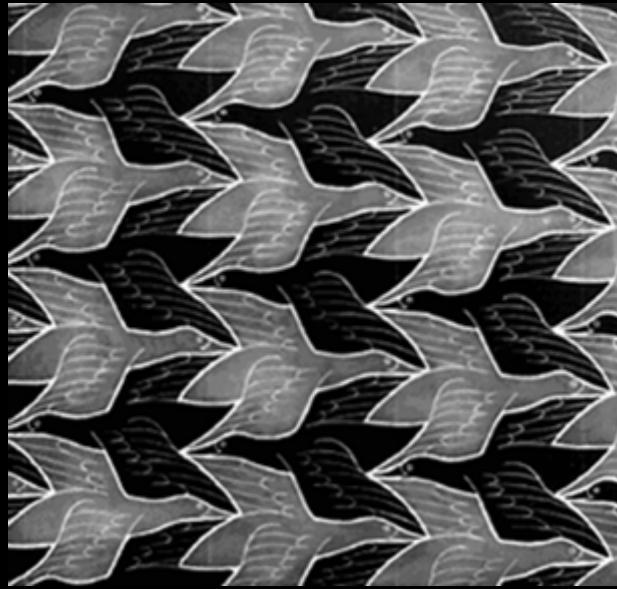
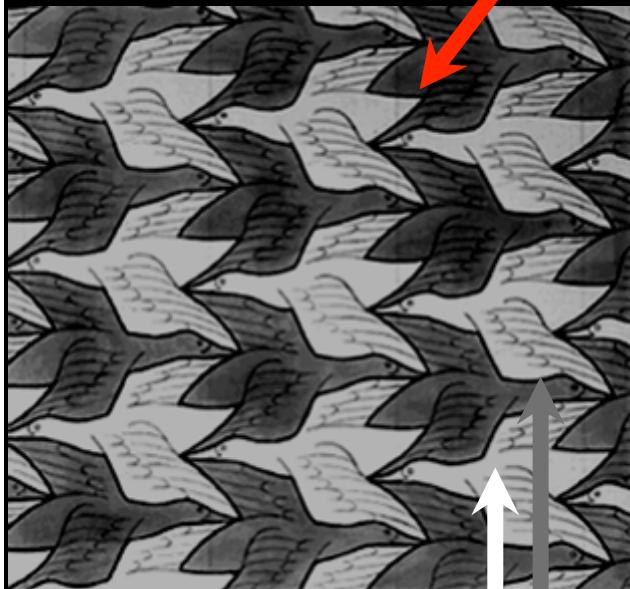
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# 4. What is the matter with antimatter?

minute  
difference!



black  $\leftrightarrow$  white    black  $\leftrightarrow$  white  
mirror image

matter:      white

moving right i.o. left

ok i.e. unchanged

anti-matter: black

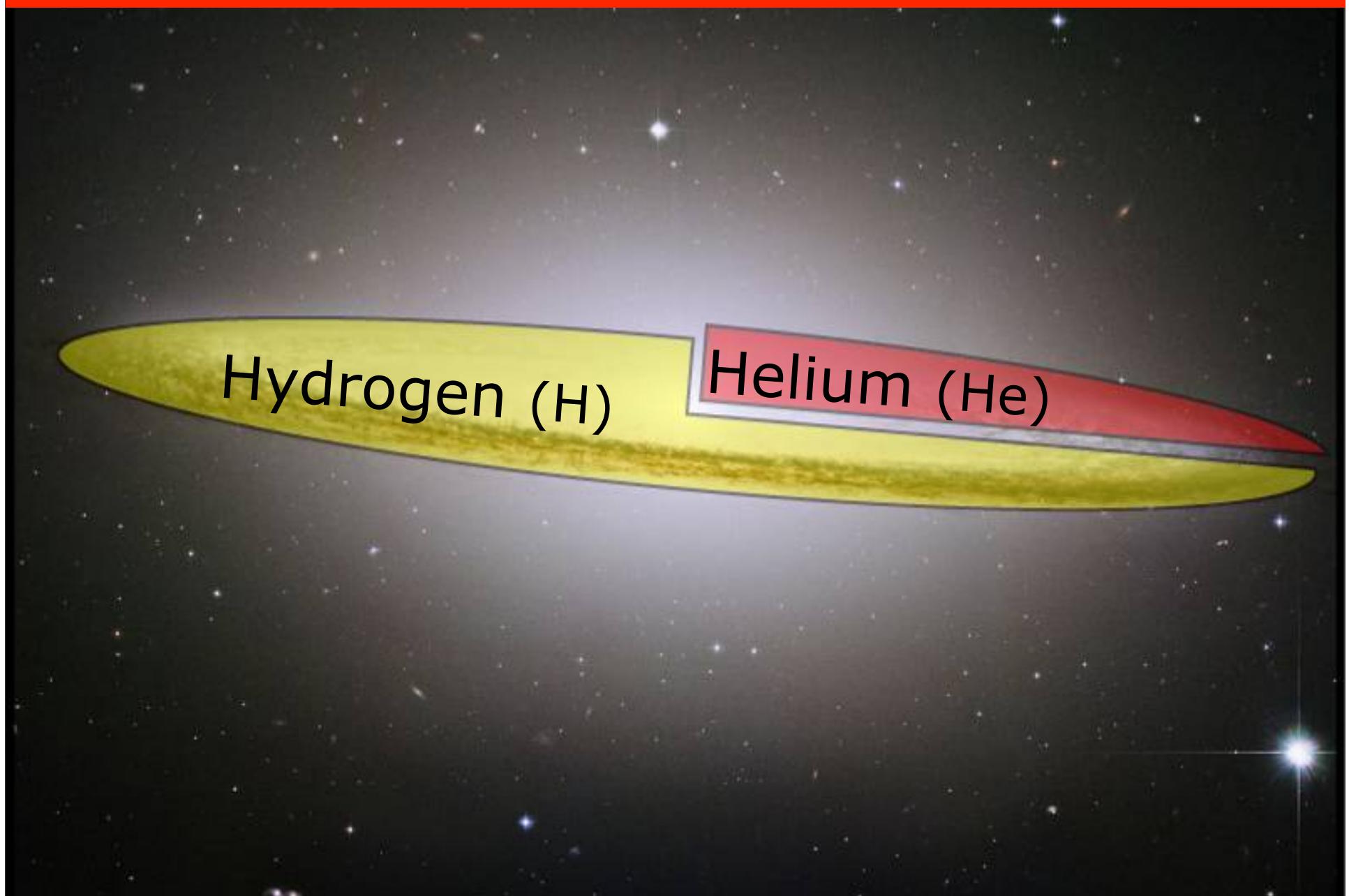
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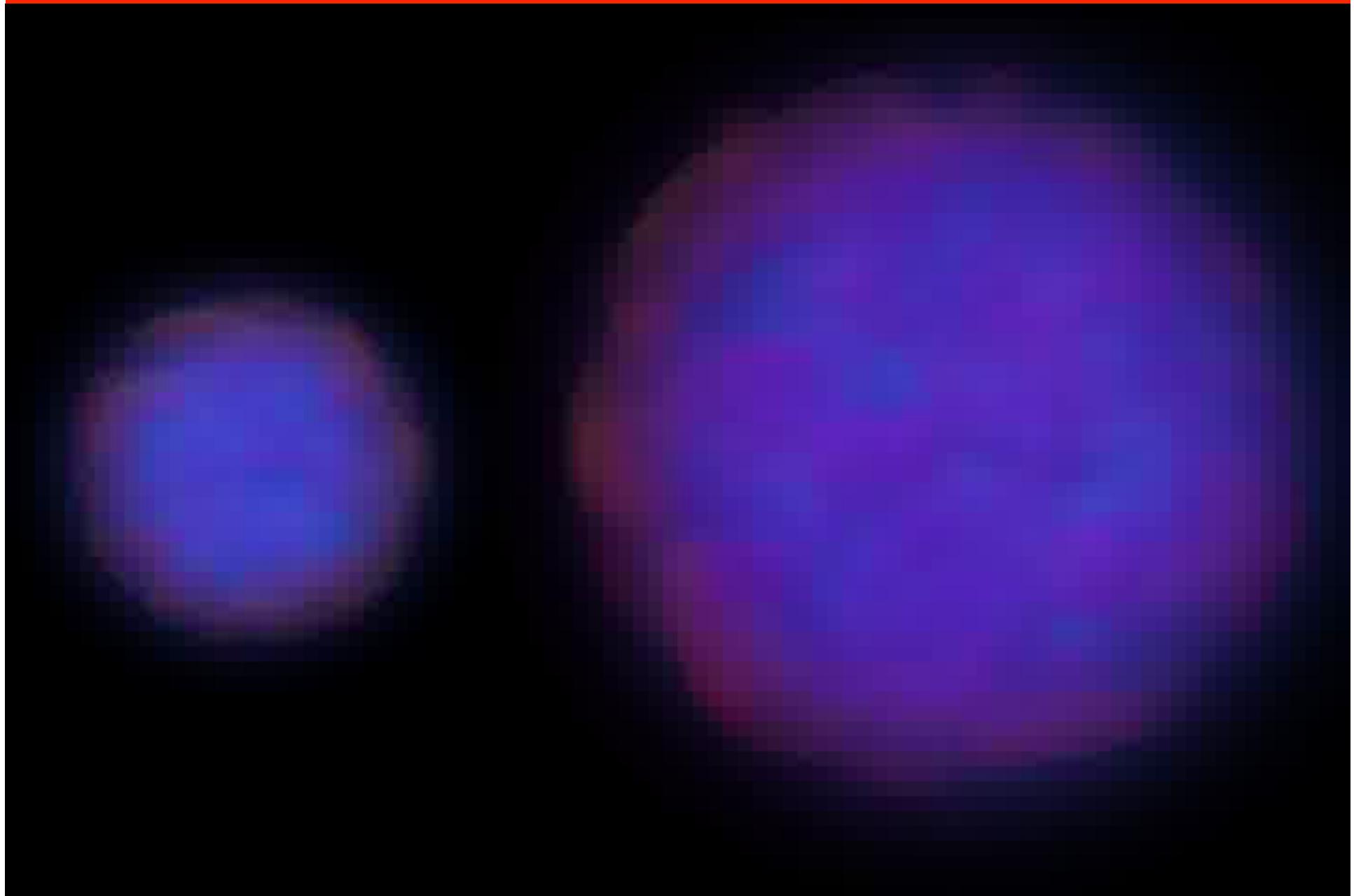
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He    H

dark energy & dark matter

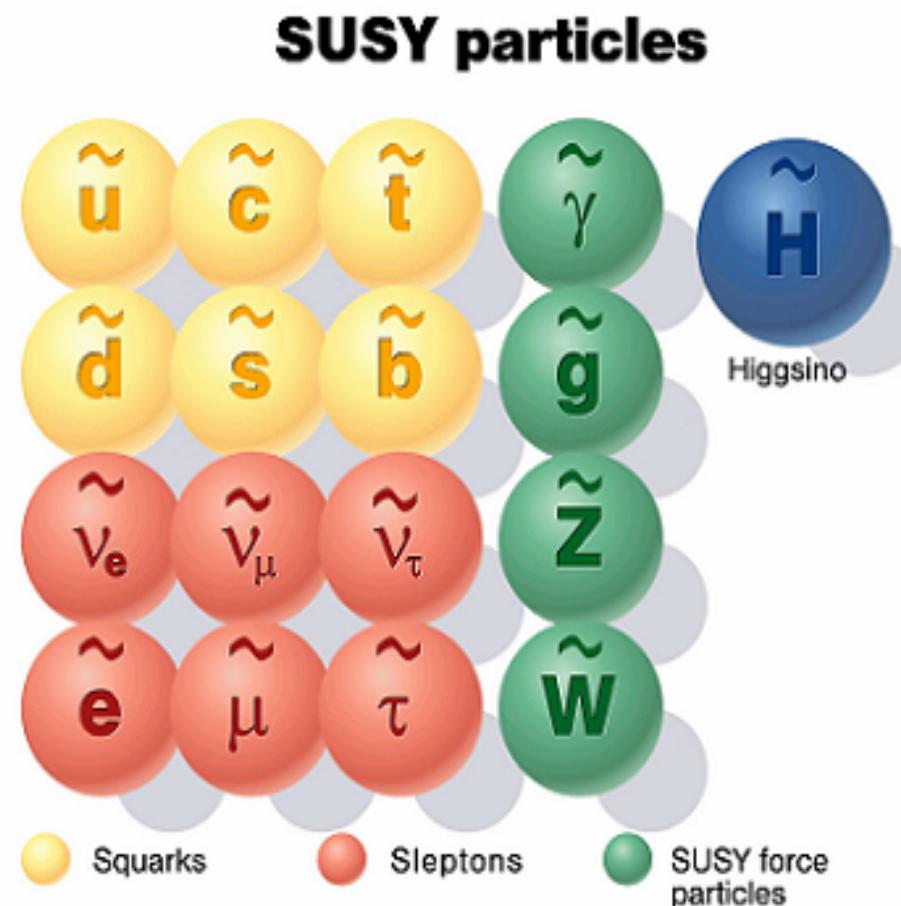
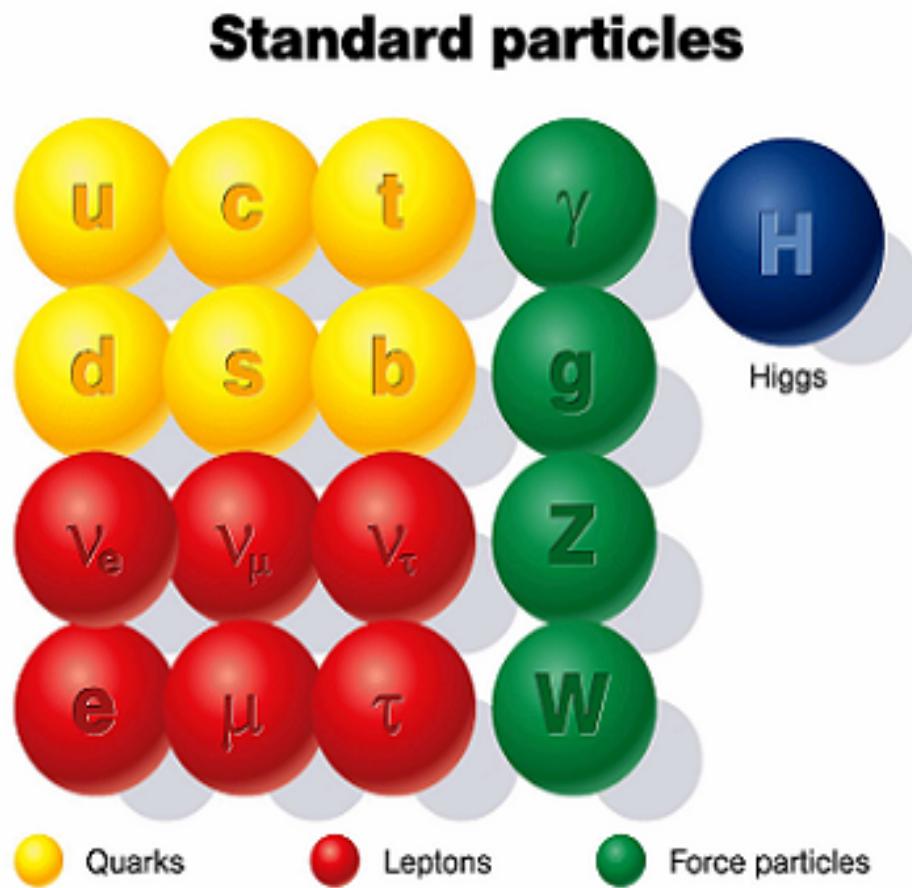
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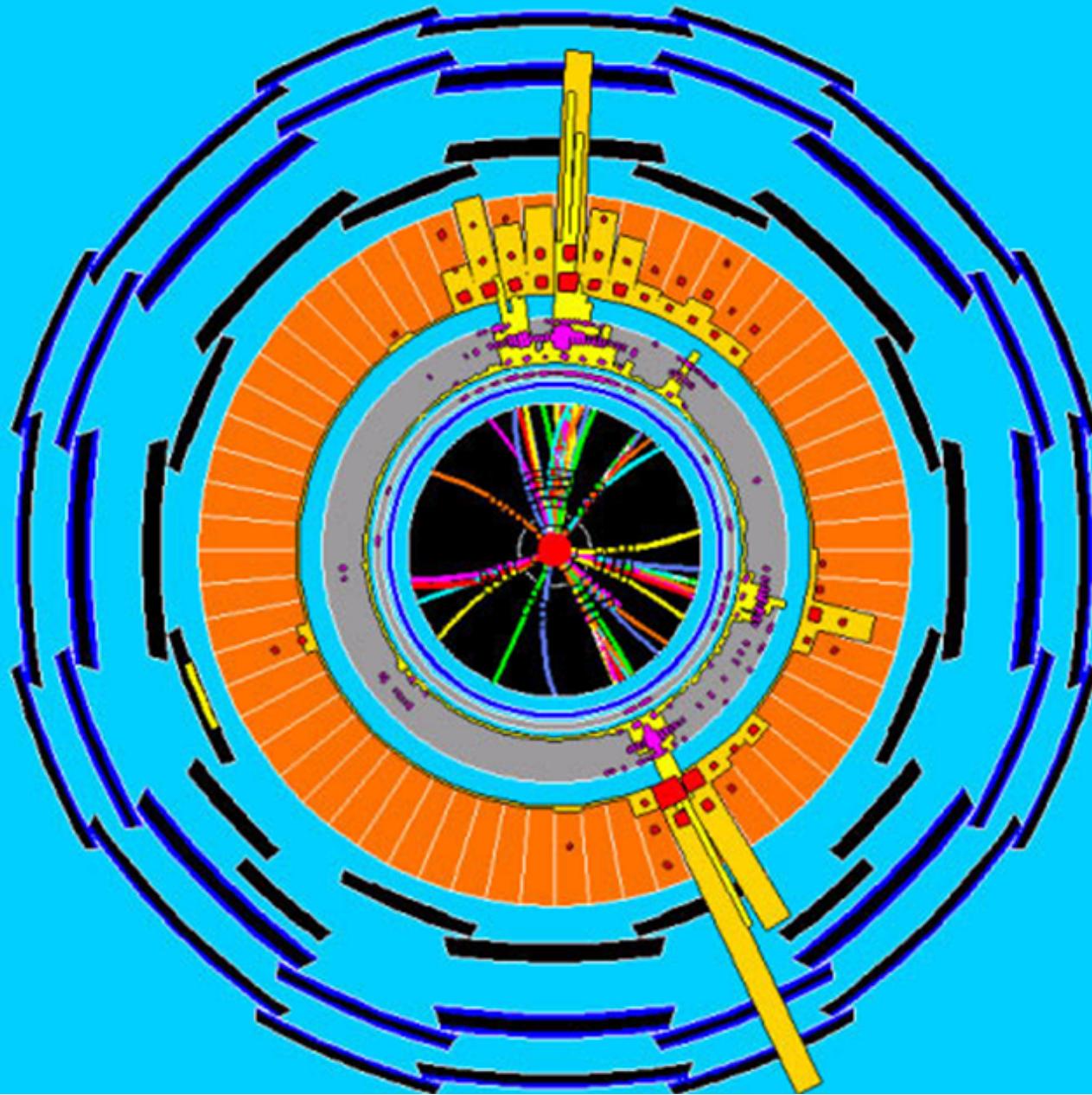


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LHC: *supersymmetric particles*



# The PARTICLE ZOO

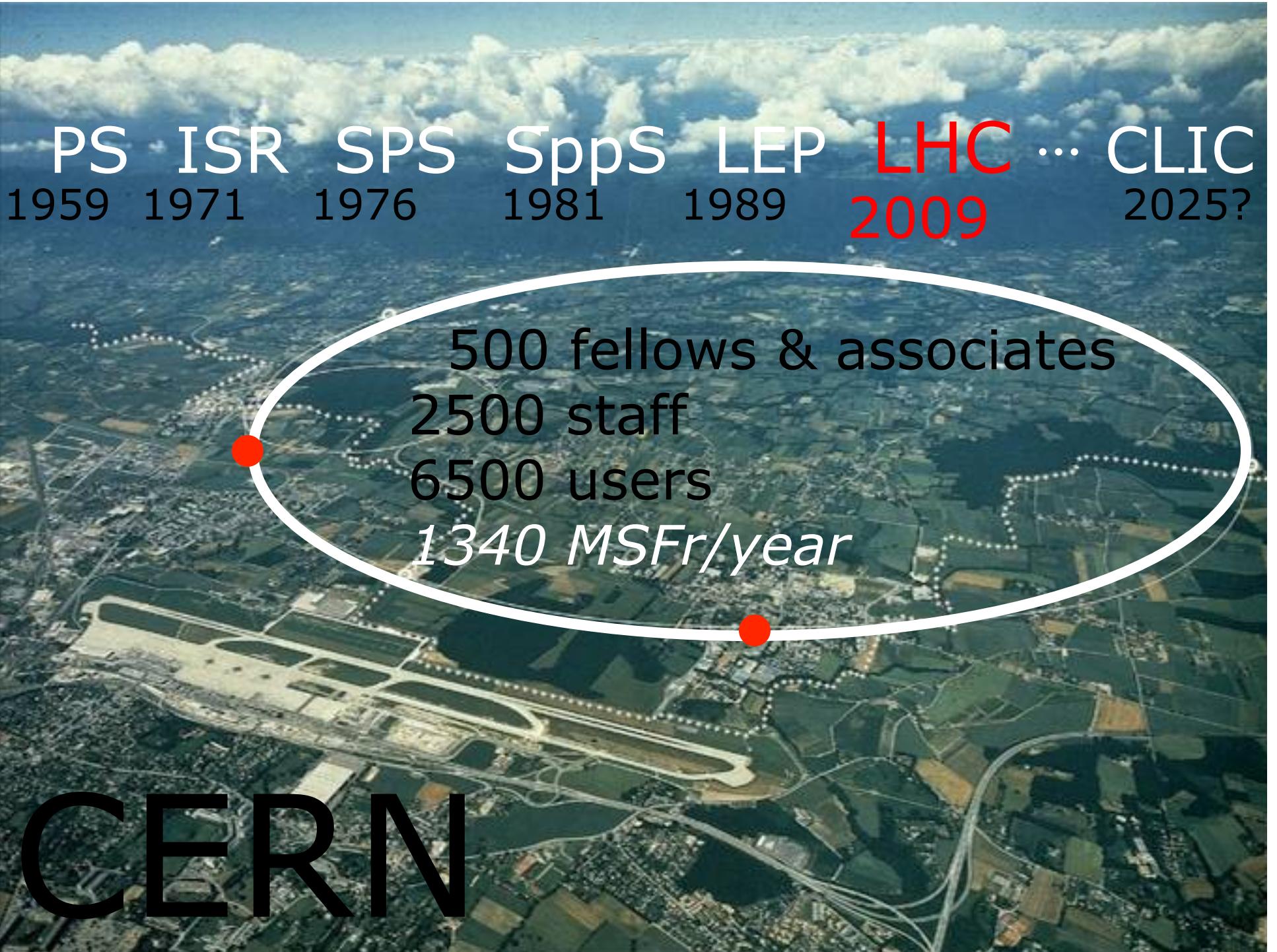


# Particle physics *accelerators*

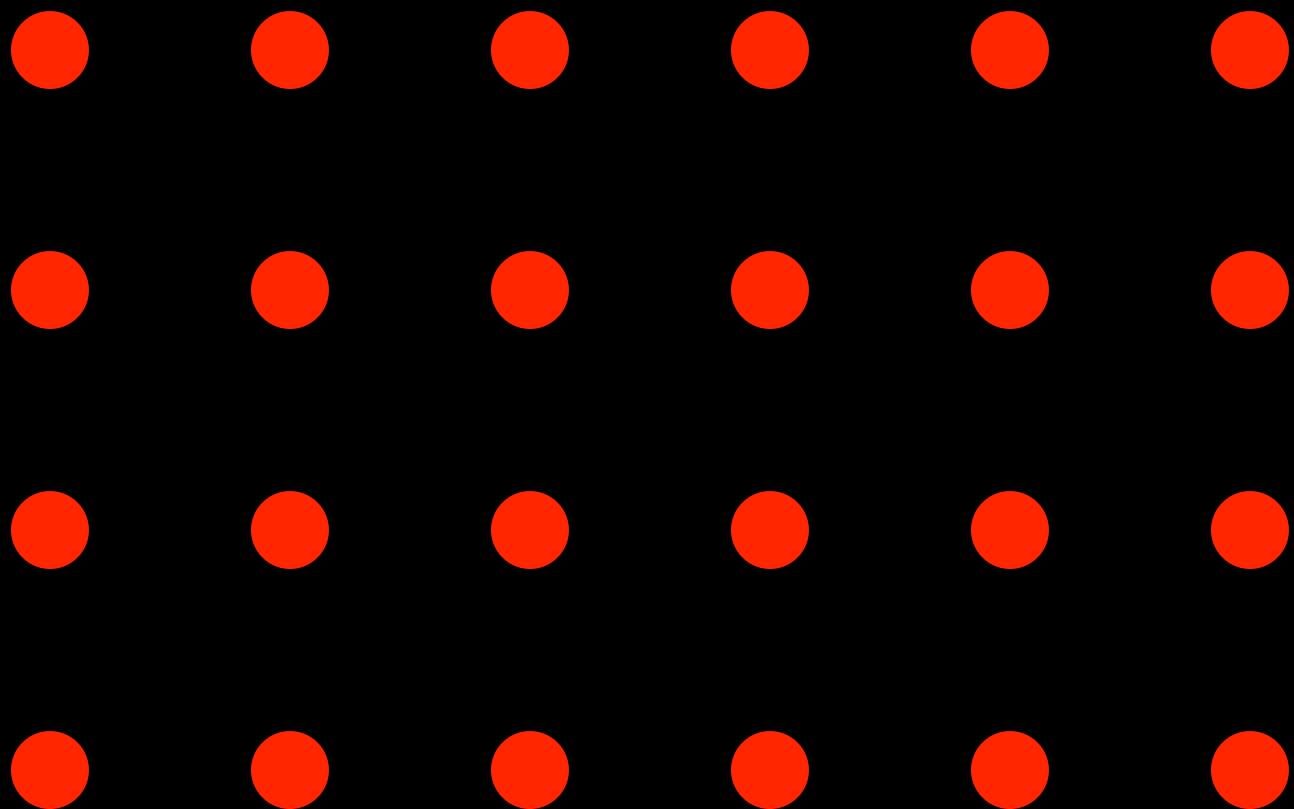


# *Post WW-II vision: creation of CERN*

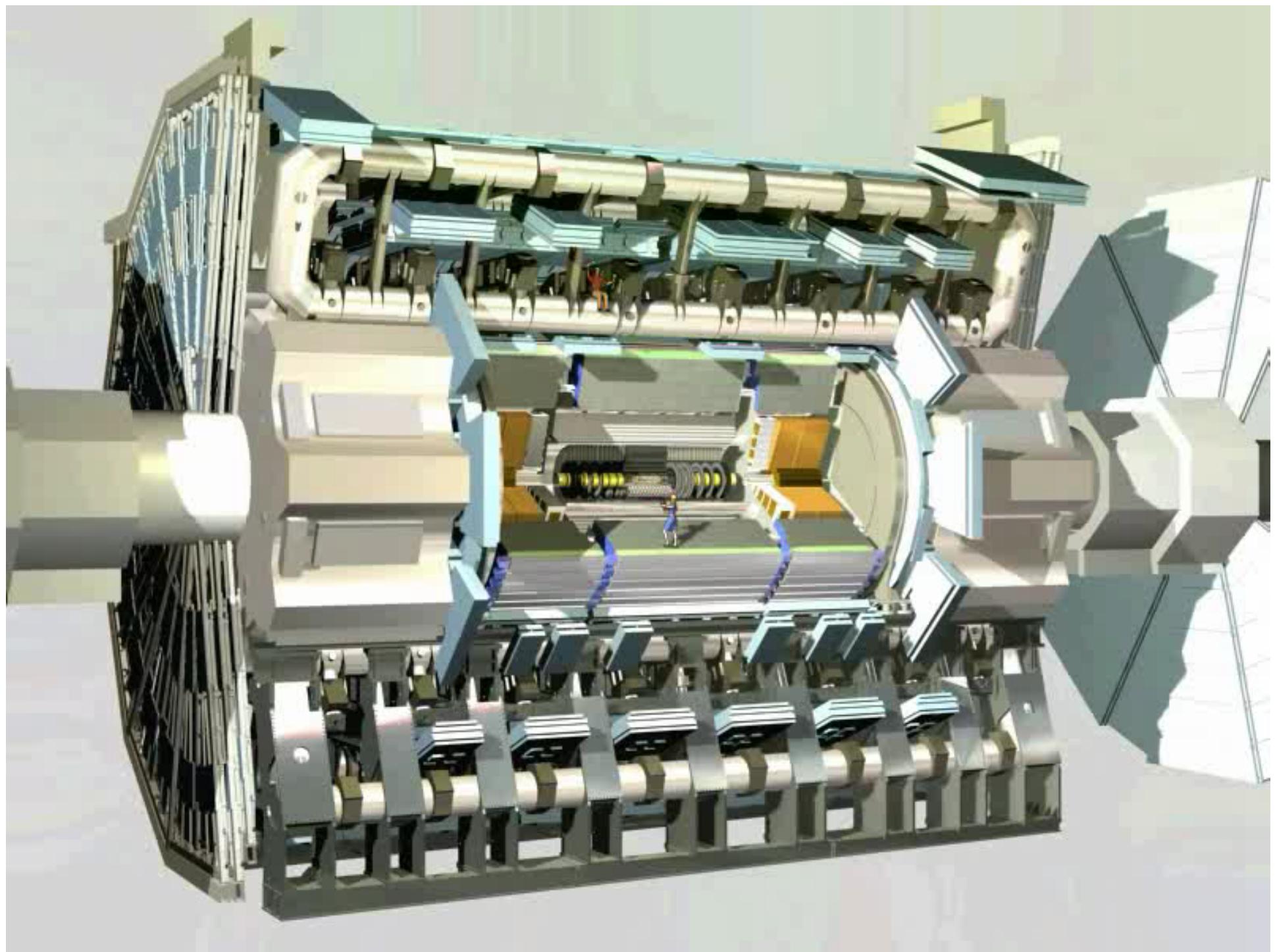




# *Particle Detection*







- Electron
- Photon
- Hadron (Pion)
- Muon

Interaction point

Beam pipe

Pixels

Silicon Strips

TRT

ElectroMagnetic  
Calorimeter

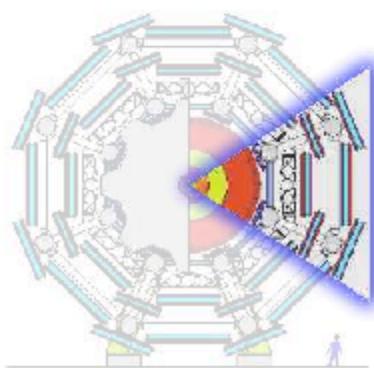
ATLAS

Solenoid

Toroids

Hadronic  
Calorimeter

Muon detector tubes



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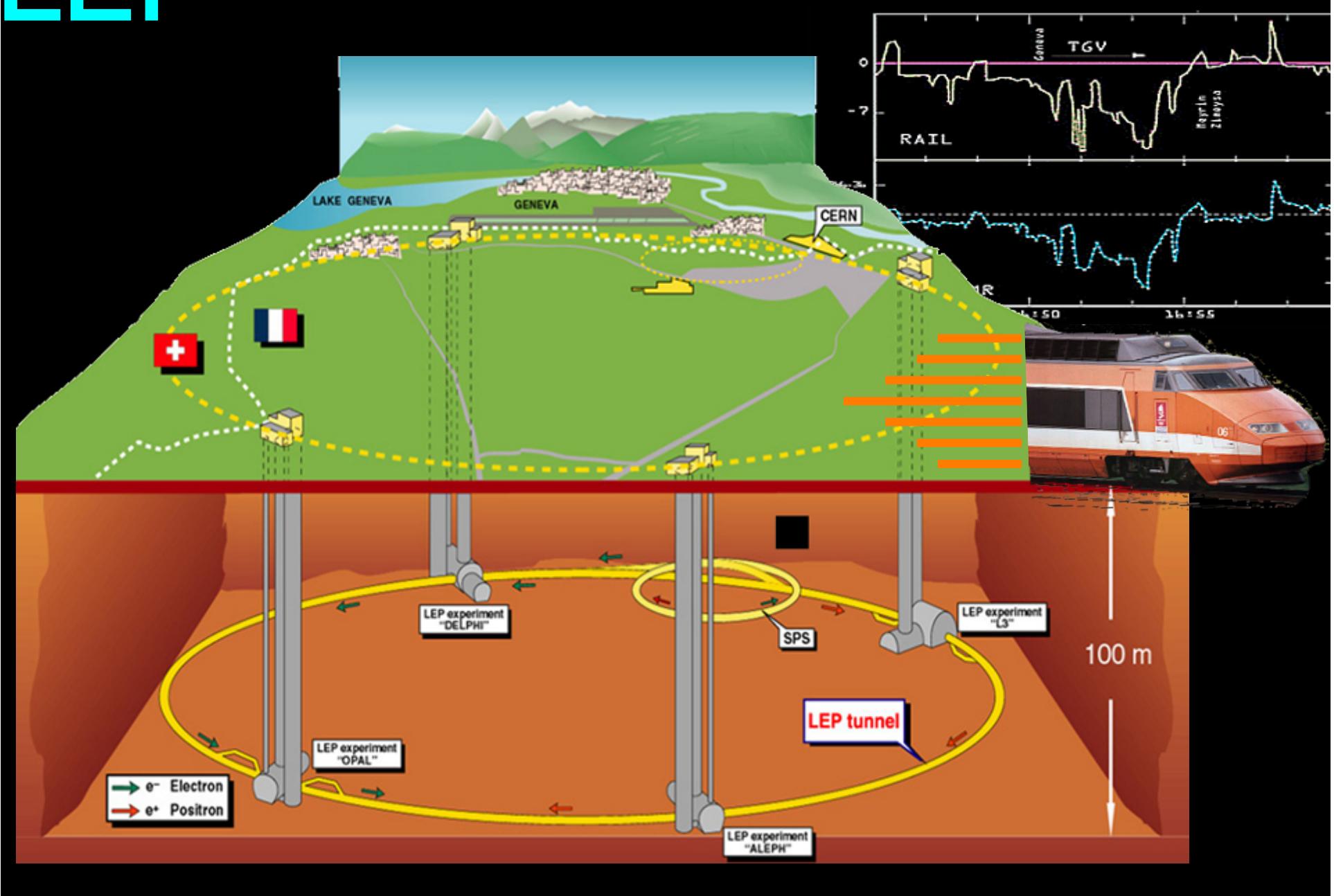
Artificial particle source: *accelerator*



*Large Electron Positron project*  
1989-2000

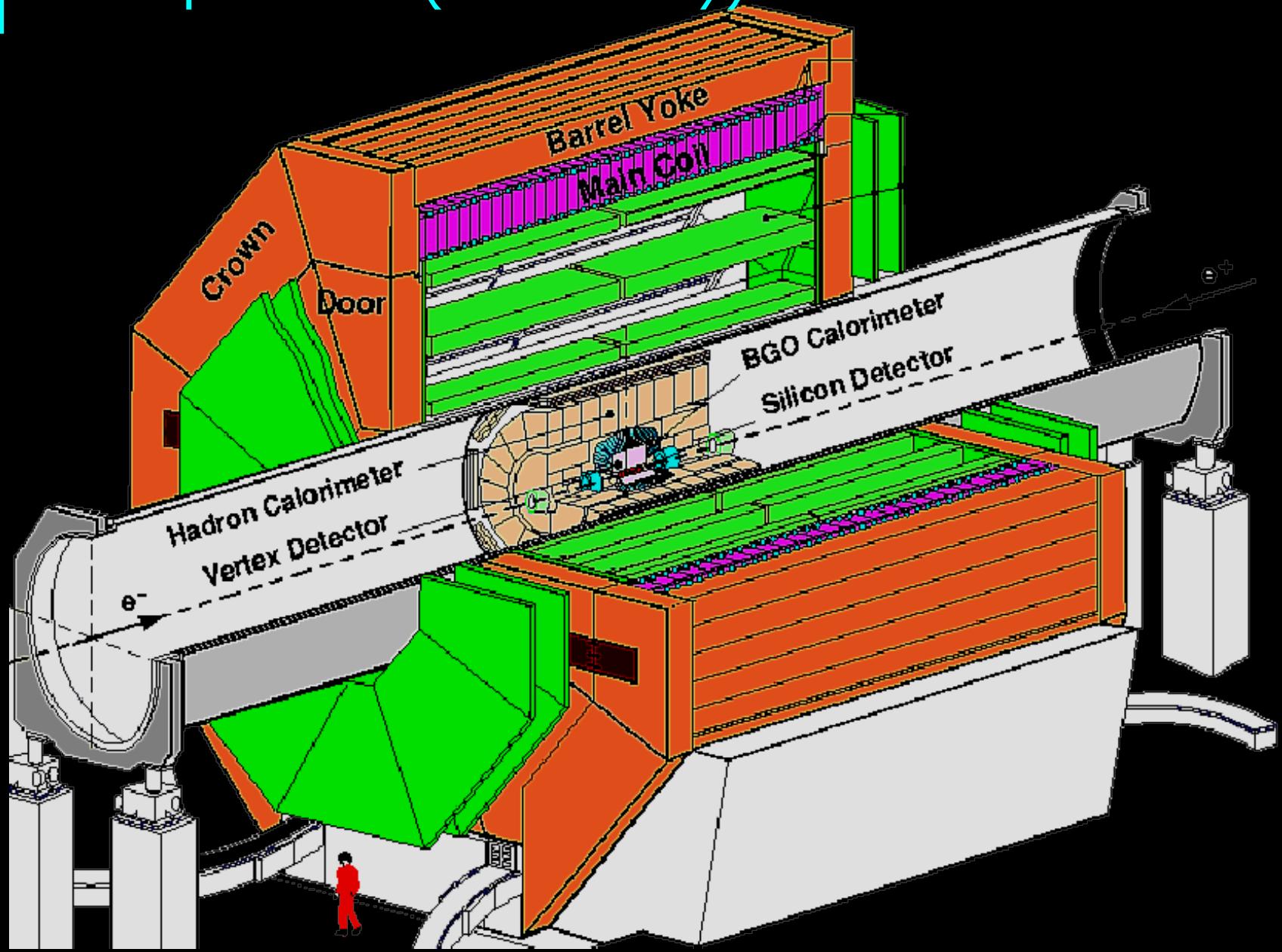
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accelerator (1983-2000)



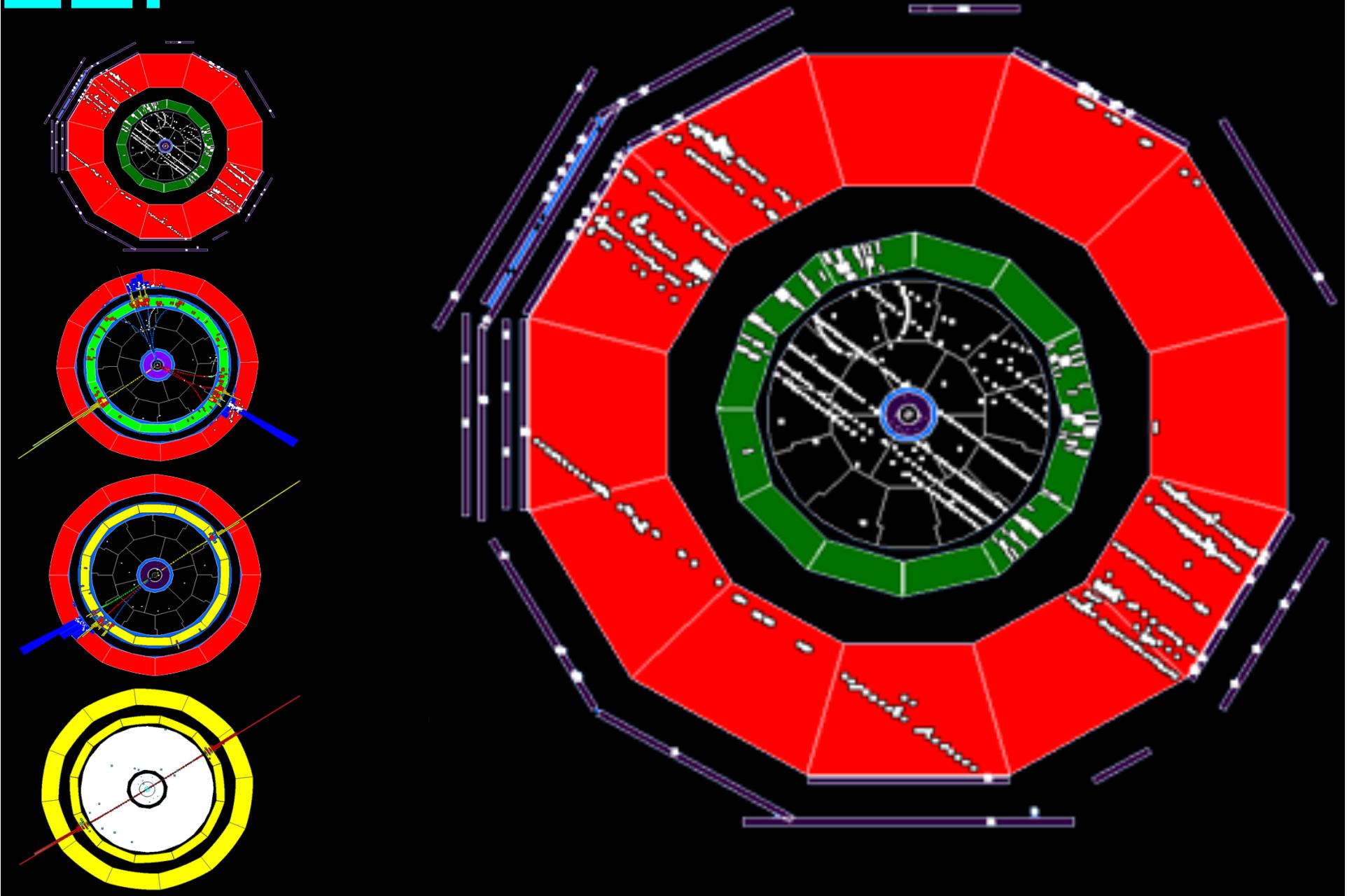
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experiment (1980-*today*)



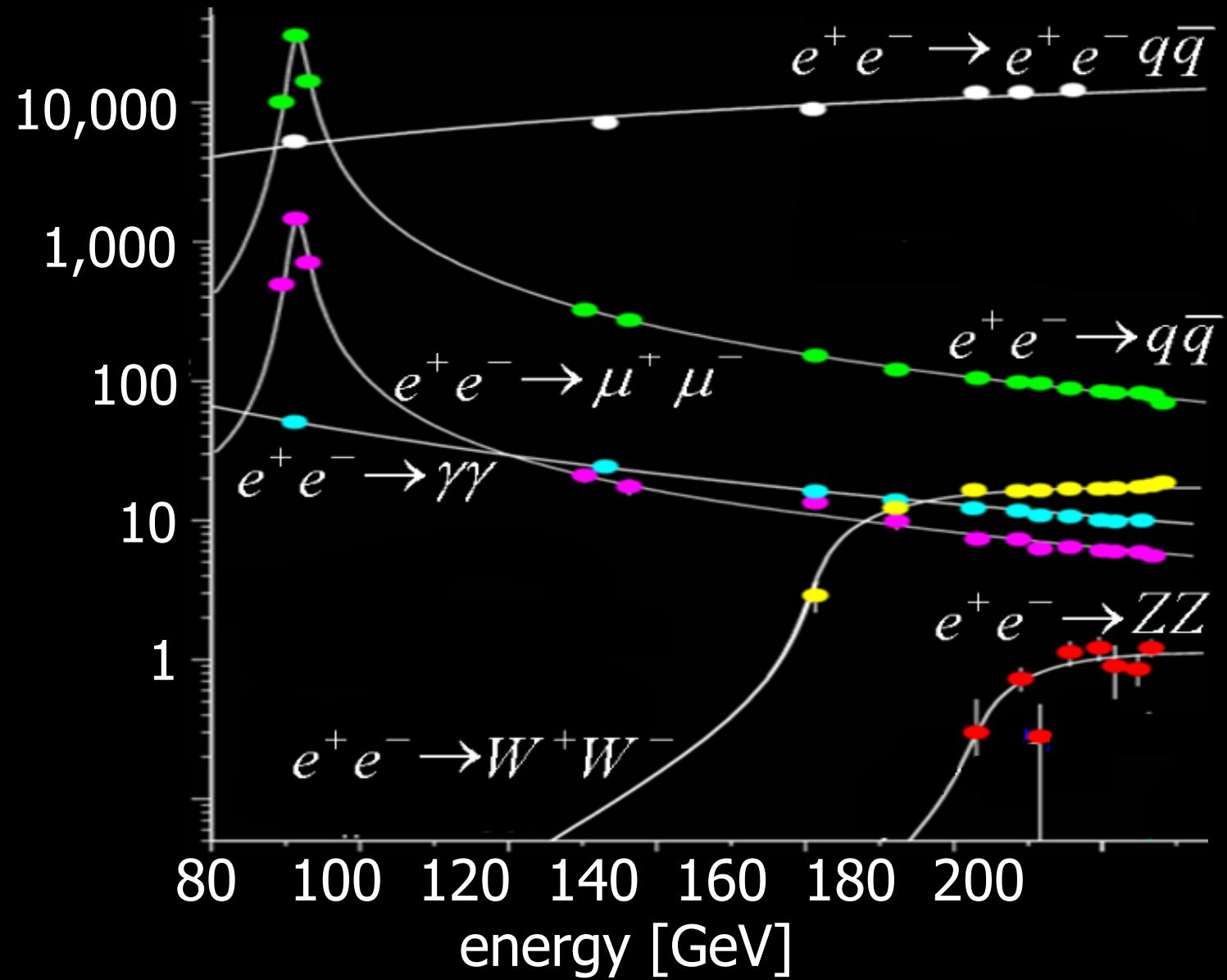
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data (1989-2000)



# LEP

results (1989-today)

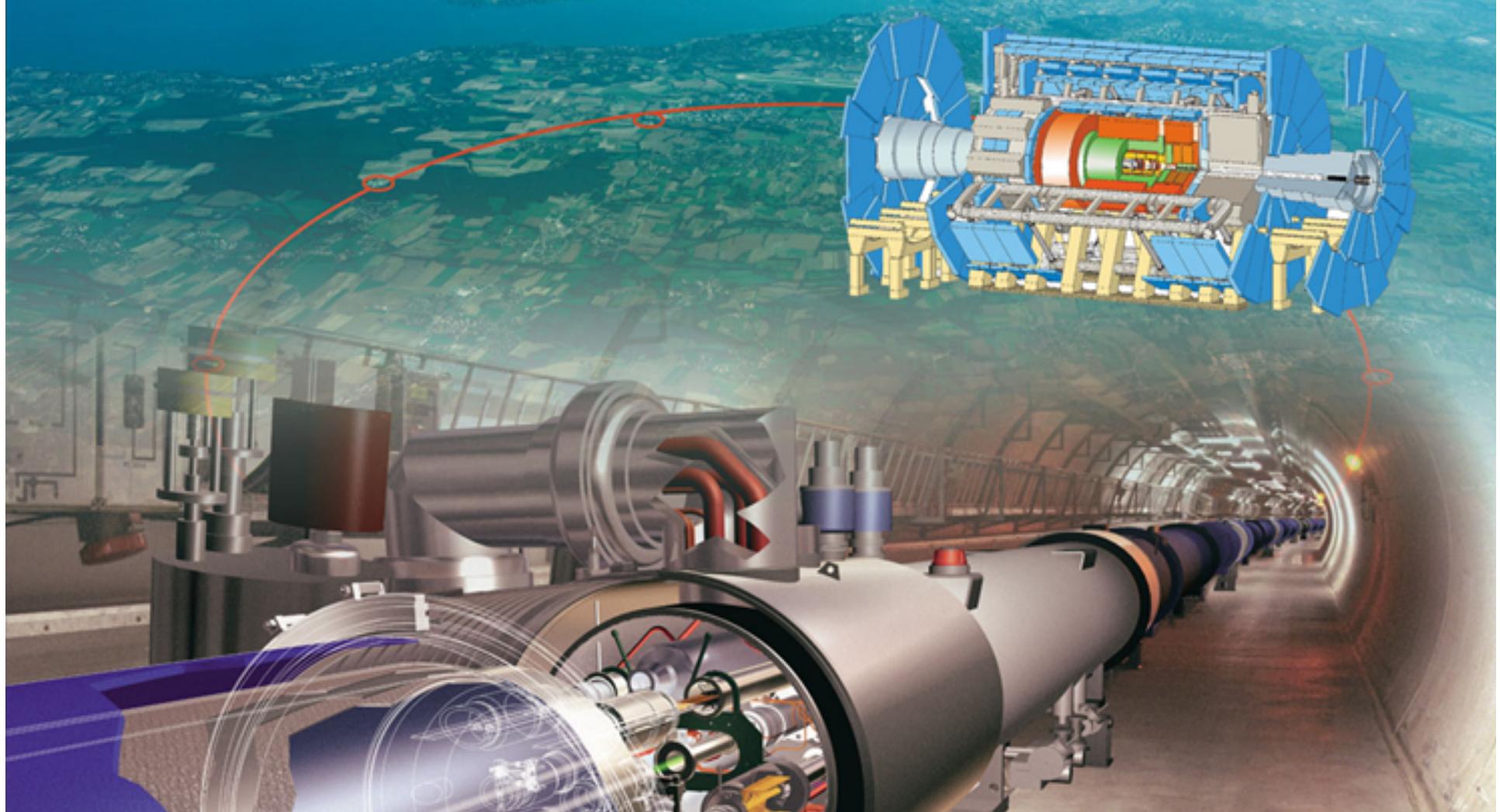




*Large Hadron Collider  
2009-2030?*

# Large Hadron Collider

*2009 → 2030?*

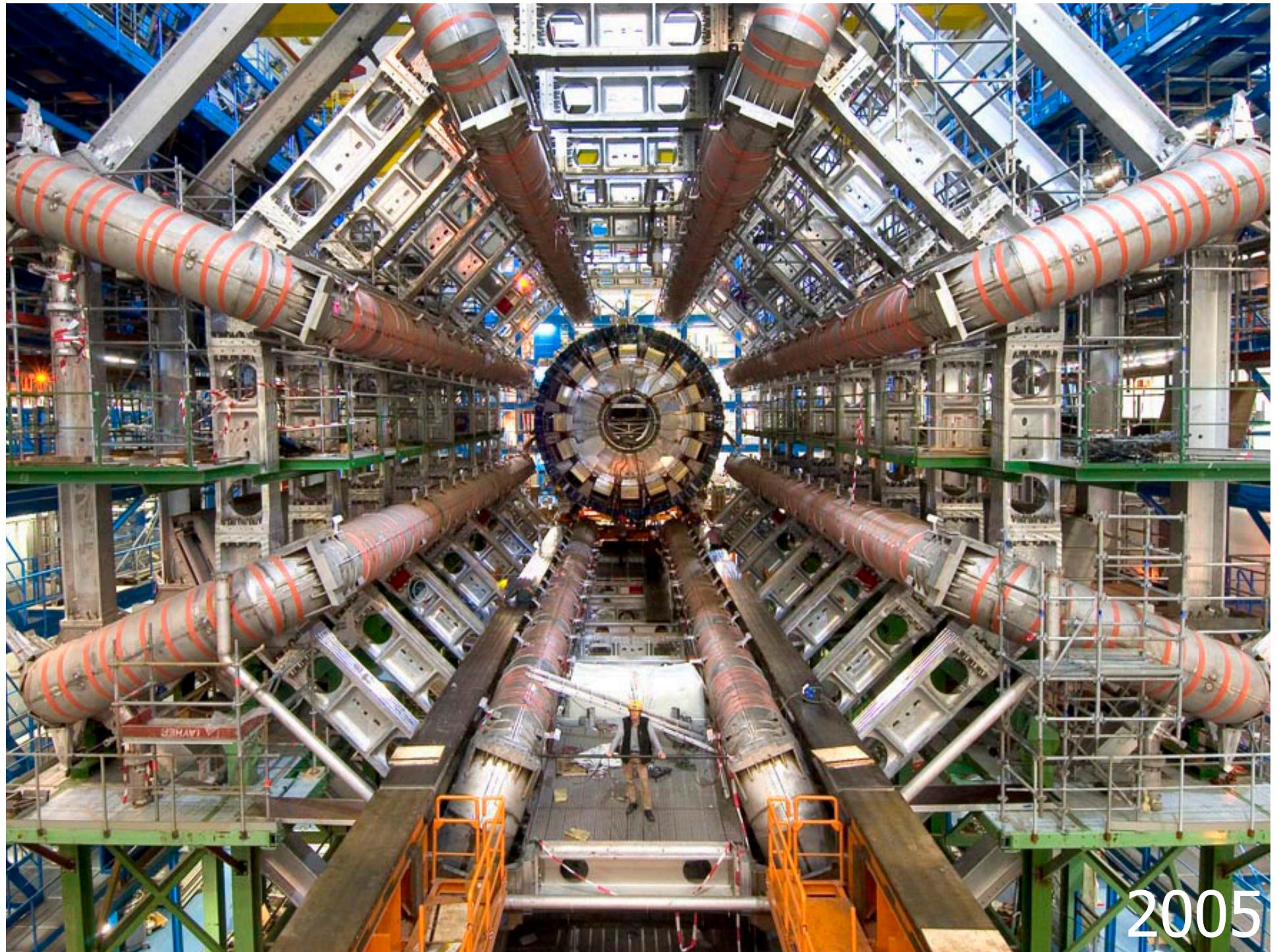




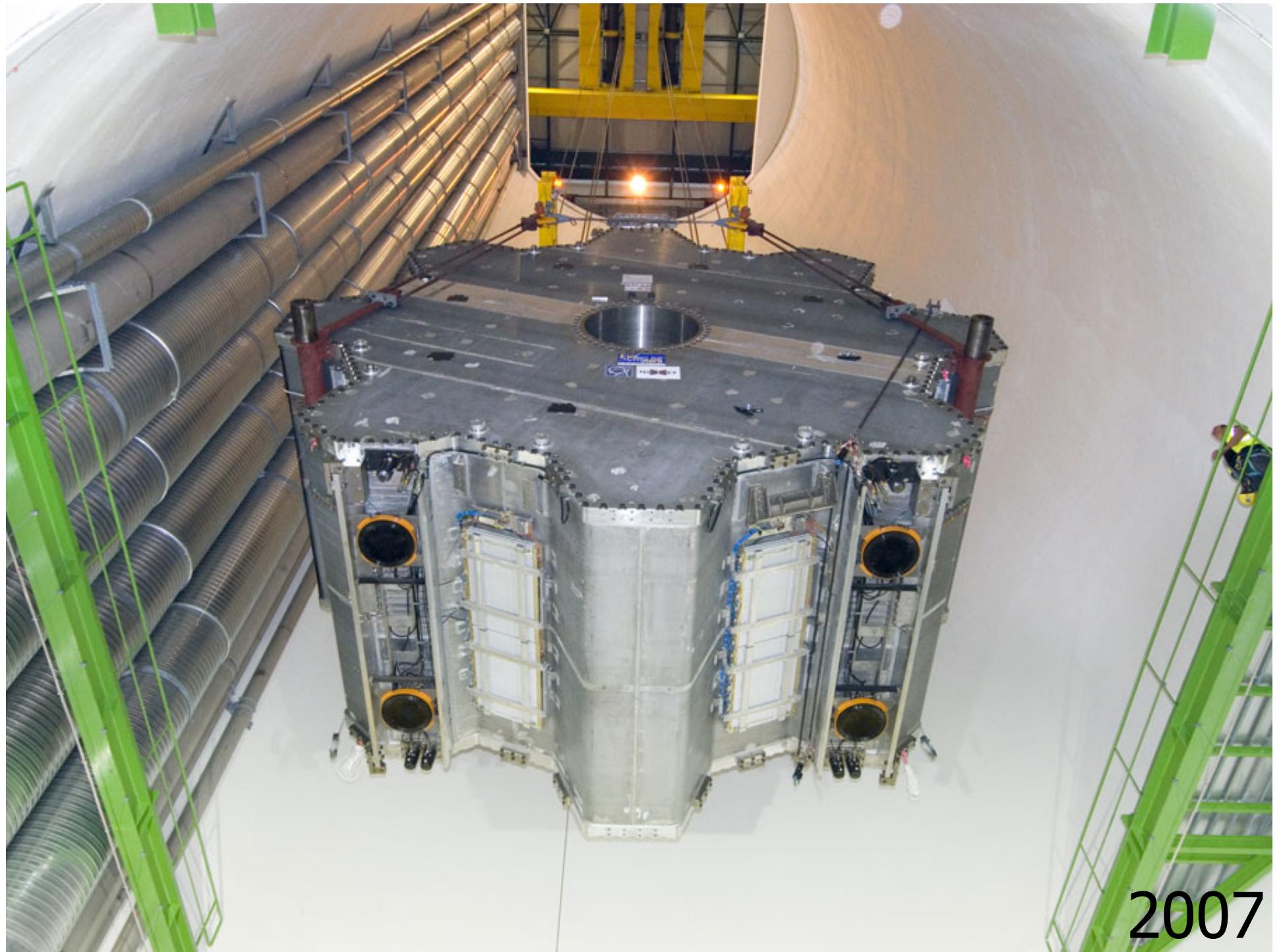
2001



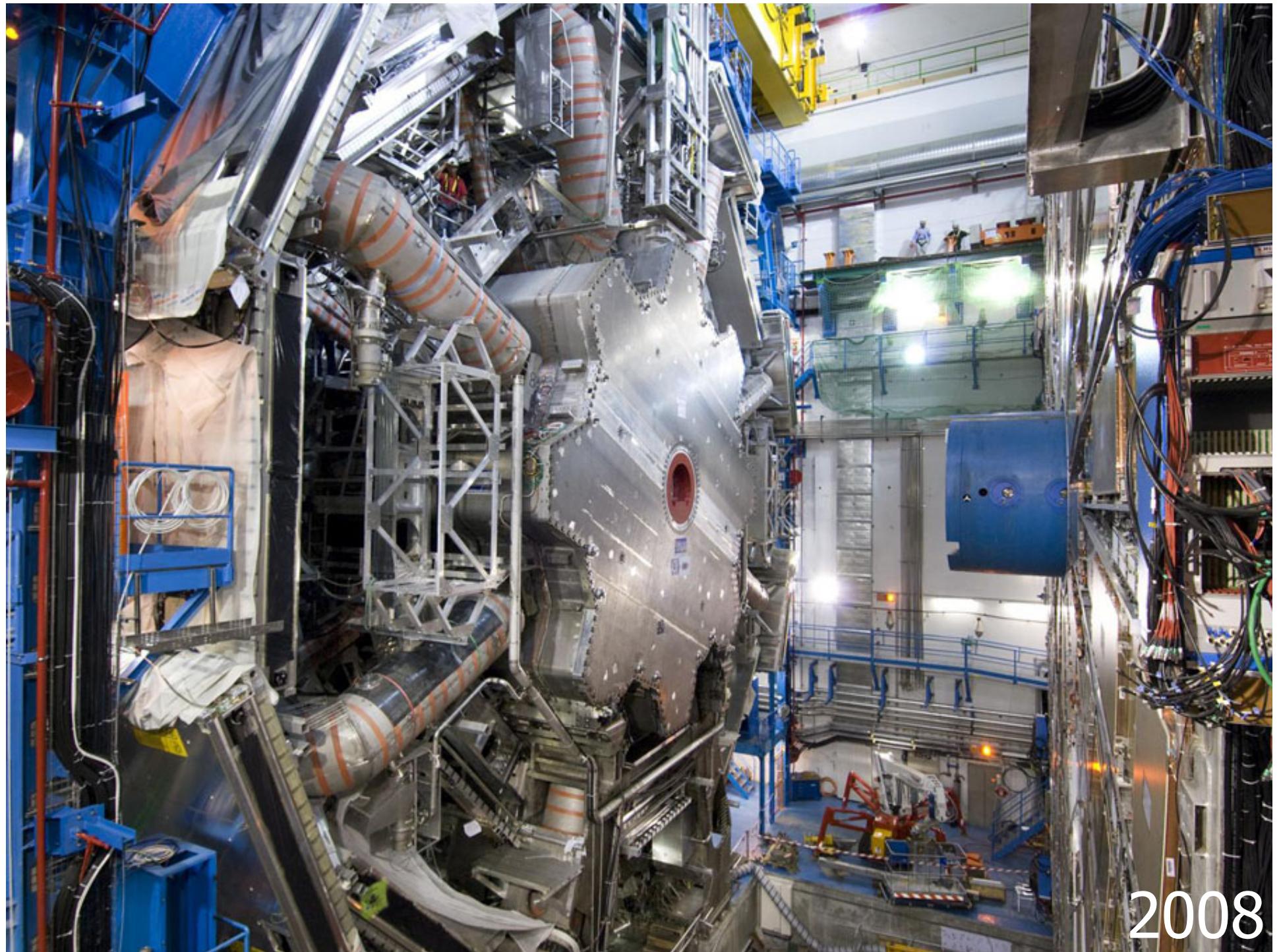
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2005



2007



2008

# ATLAS detector

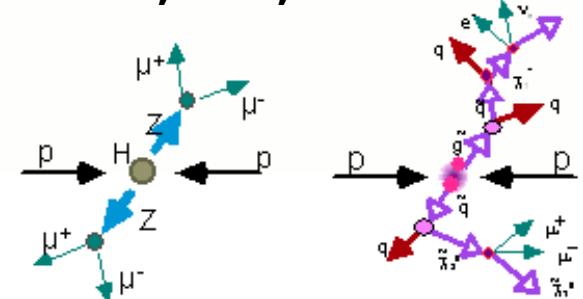
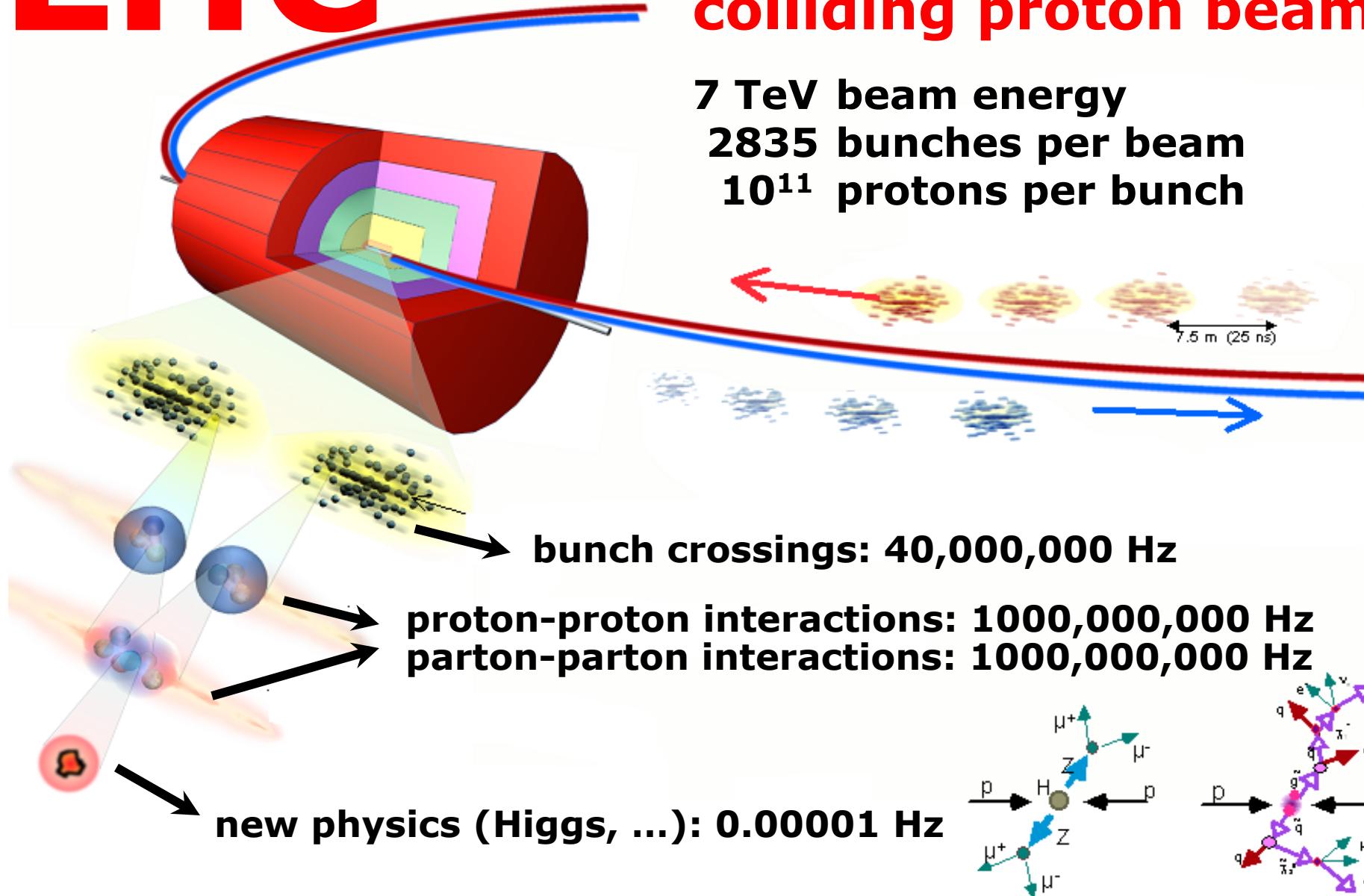


2010

# LHC

## colliding proton beams

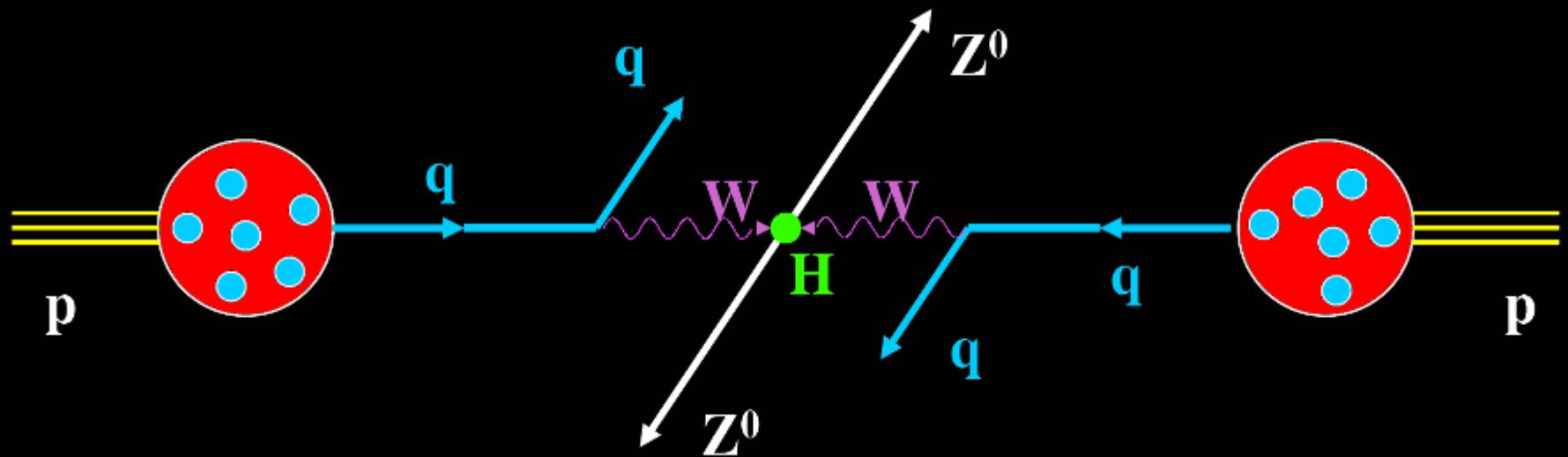
7 TeV beam energy  
2835 bunches per beam  
 $10^{11}$  protons per bunch



**selection of 1 event in 10,000,000,000,000 events!**

# LHC *beam energy* & the Higgs

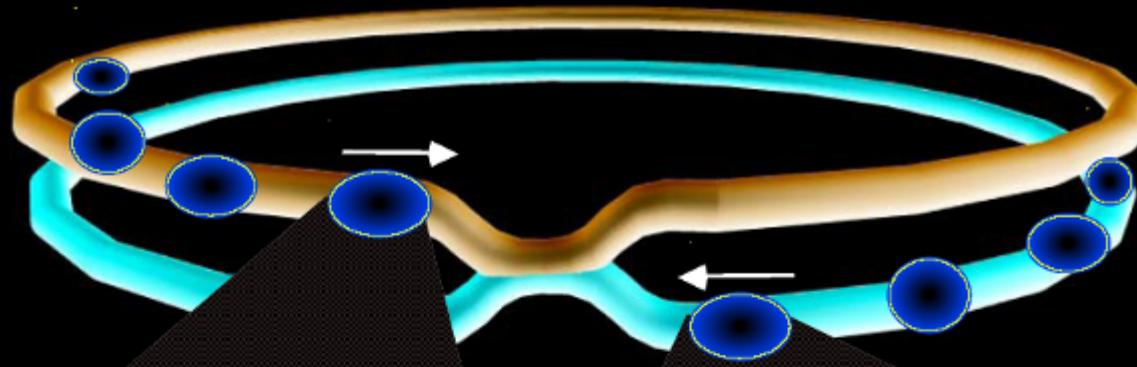
115 GeV < M<sub>Higgs</sub> < 1000 GeV



$M_{Higgs} = 1000 \text{ GeV} = 1 \text{ TeV}$   
→ W-energy  $\sim 1/2 \text{ TeV}$   
→ q-energy  $\sim 1 \text{ TeV}$   
→ p-energy  $\sim 6 \text{ TeV}$

*LHC:*  
*7 TeV*  
*proton beams*

# LHC *beam intensity* & the Higgs



2804  
*bunches/beam*

**new physics:  
few events/day**

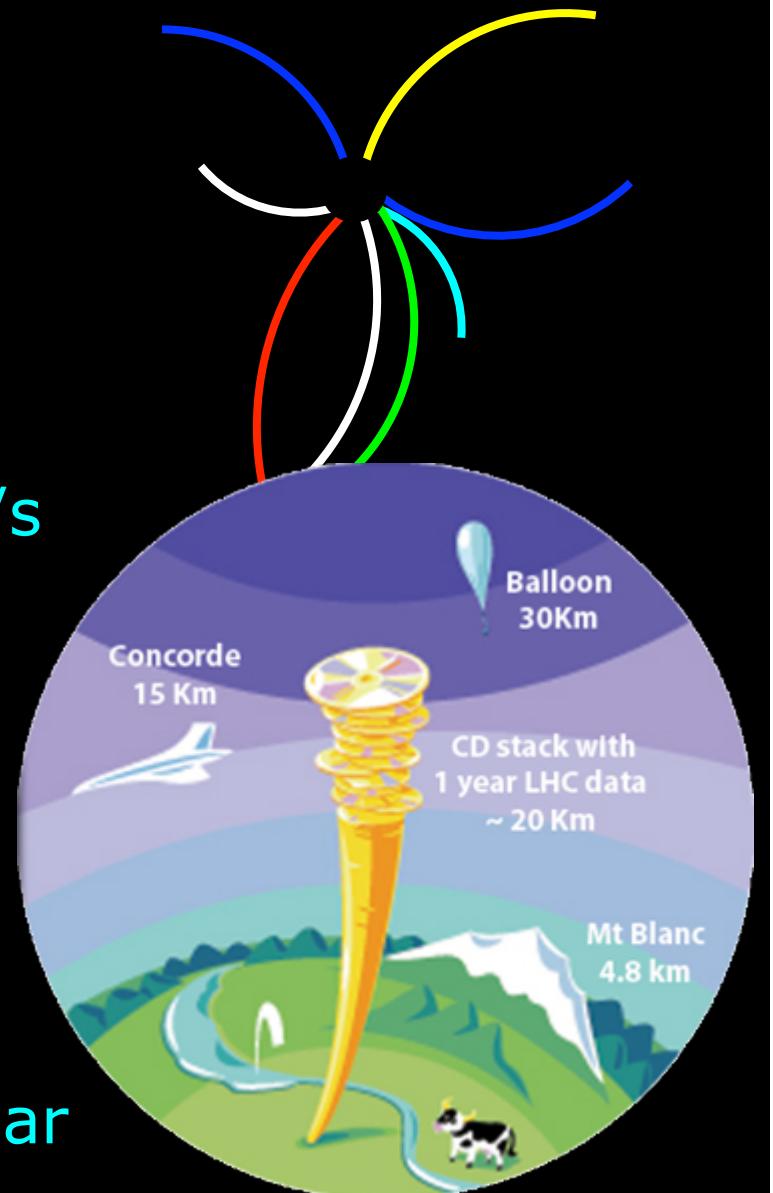
# ATLAS events

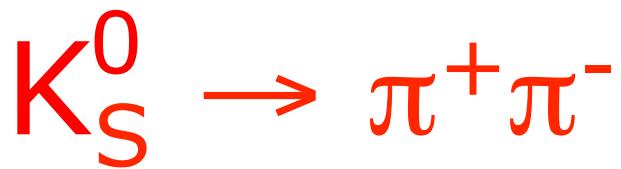
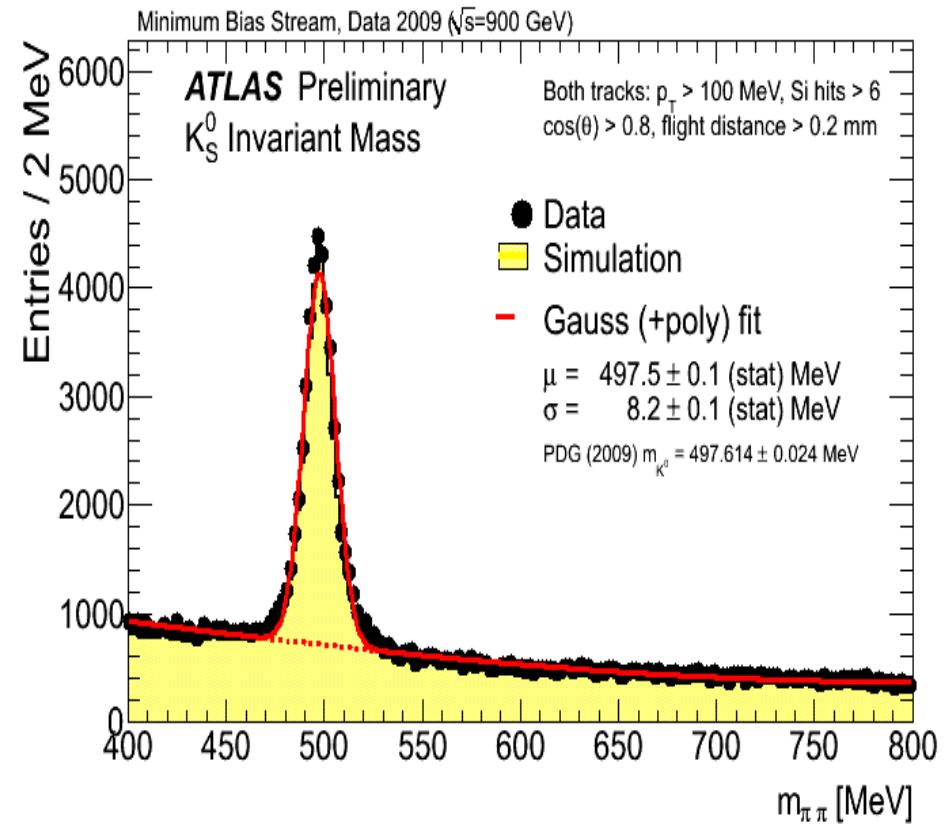
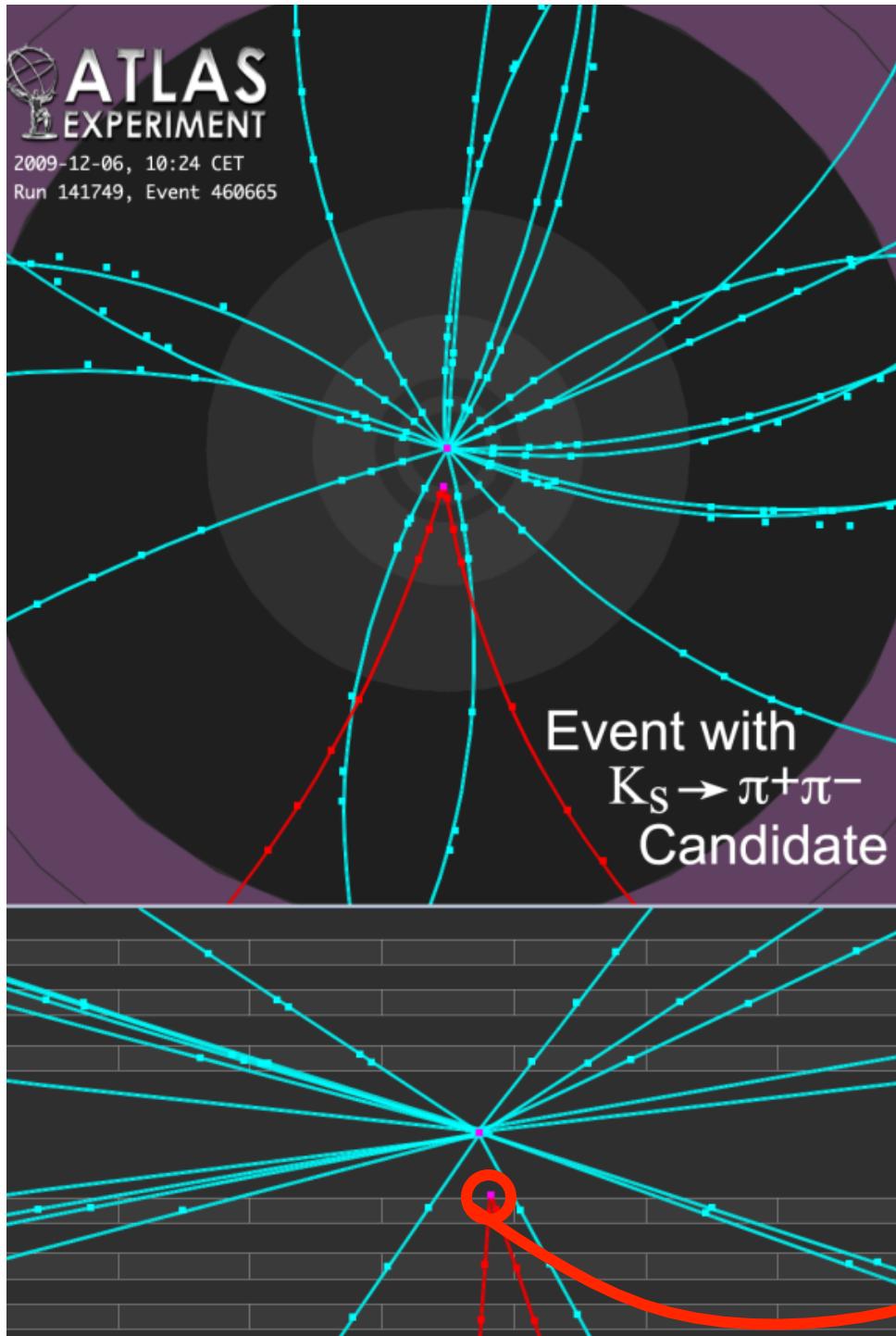
LHC bunch-bunch crossings:  
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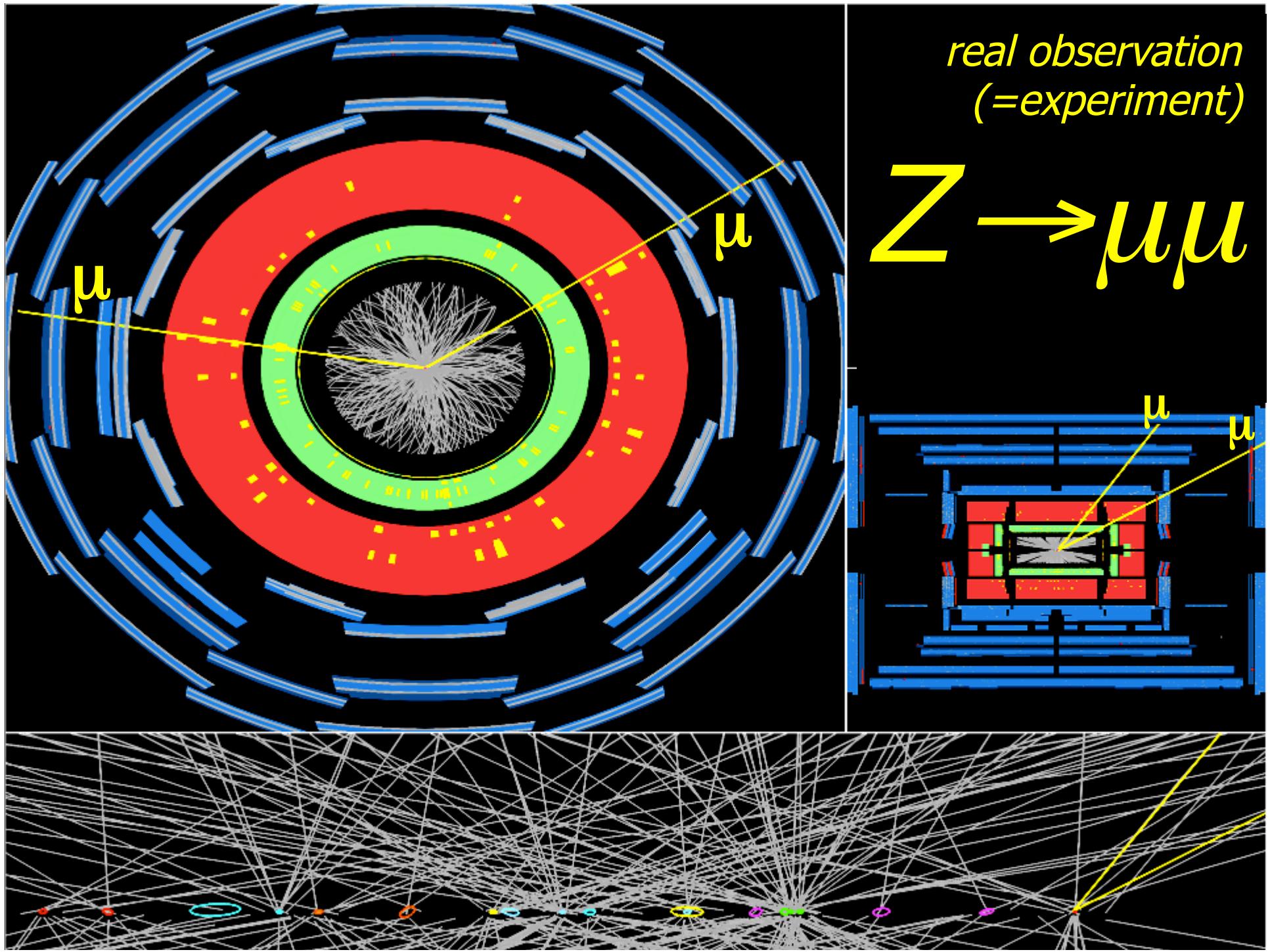
pp interactions:  
20/bunch-bunch crossing  
 $\Rightarrow$  800.000.000 pp interactions/s

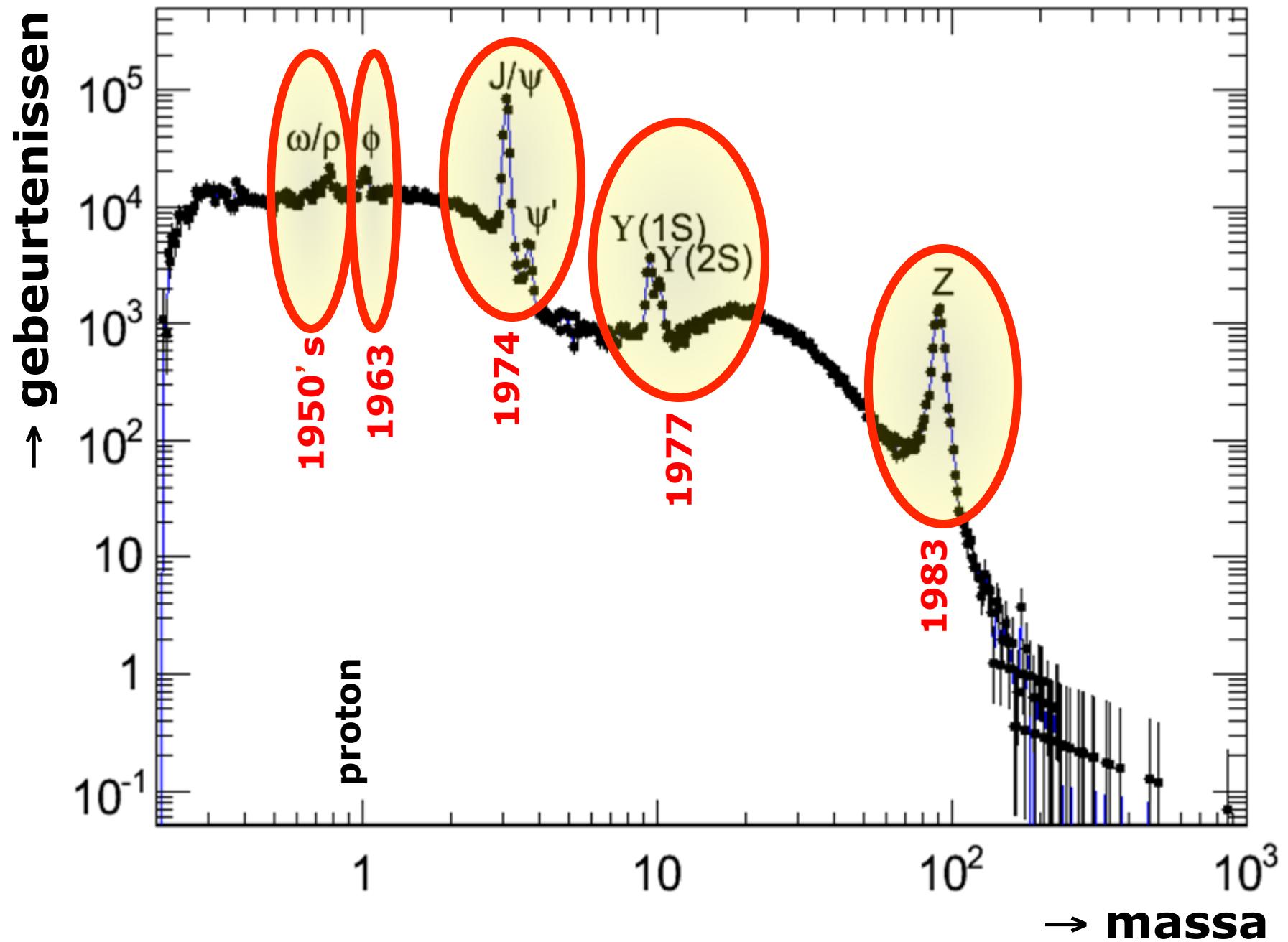
selection:  
100 pp interactions/s  
 $\Rightarrow$  ongeveer 1 per 10 miljoen

data volume:  
200 MB/s  
 $\Rightarrow$  2 miljoen GB/year = 2 pB/year









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# HIGGS BOSON

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A horizontal scale consisting of a row of nine black dots above a horizontal line. To the left of the line is the word "LIGHT" and to the right is the word "HEAVY".

The **HIGGS BOSON** is the theoretical particle of the Higgs mechanism, which physicists believe will reveal how all matter in the universe get its mass. Many scientists hope that the Large Hadron Collider in Geneva, Switzerland will detect the elusive Higgs Boson when it begins colliding particles at 99.99% the speed of light.

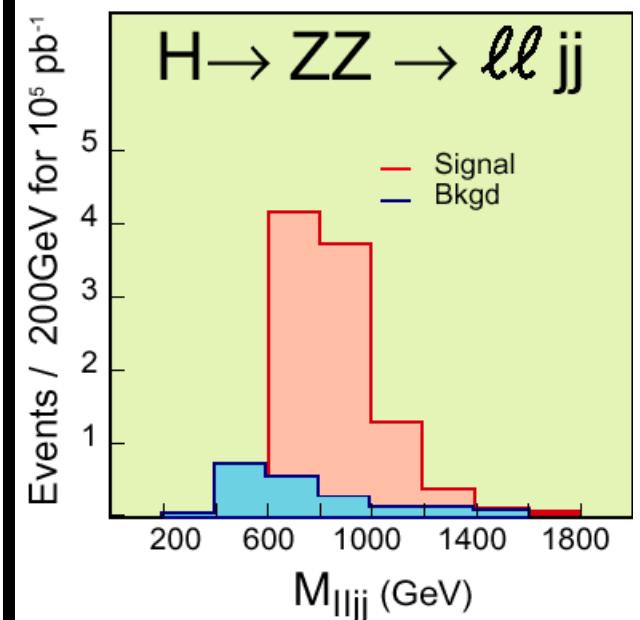
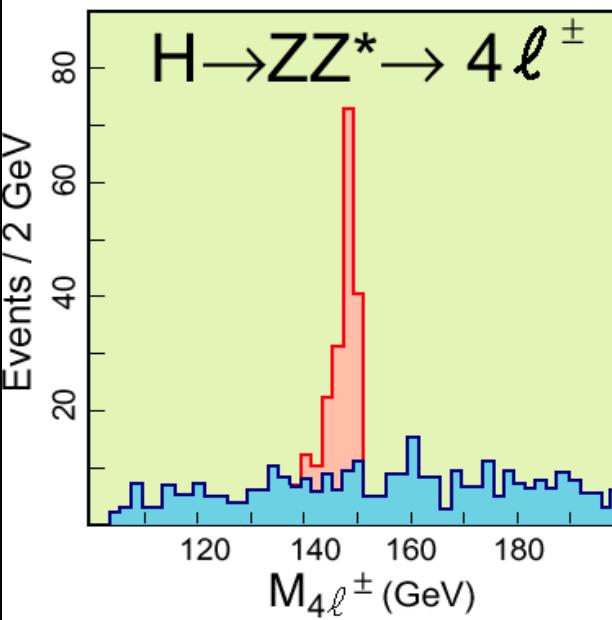
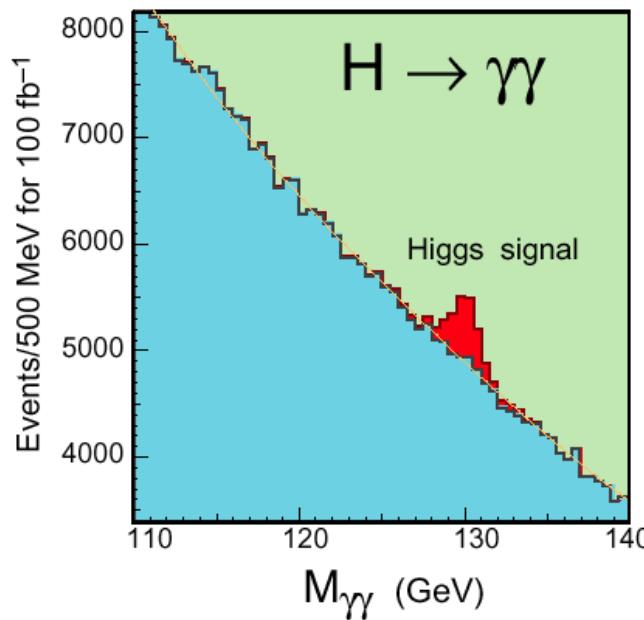
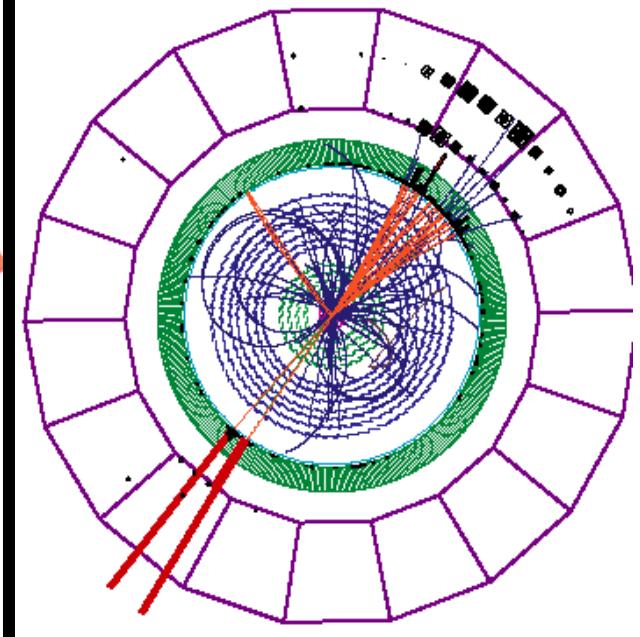
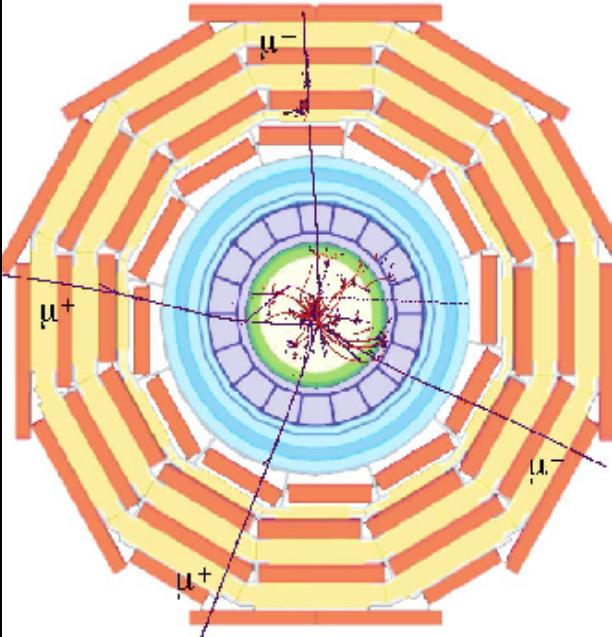
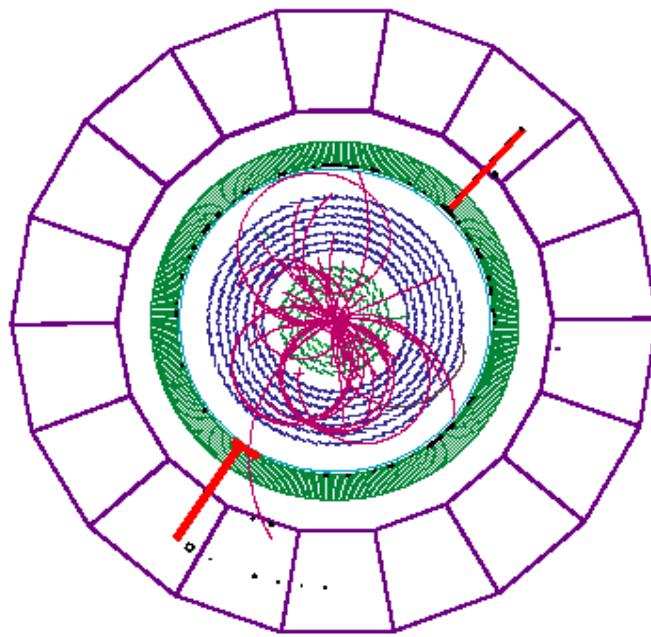
*Wool felt with  
gravel fill for  
maximum mass.*

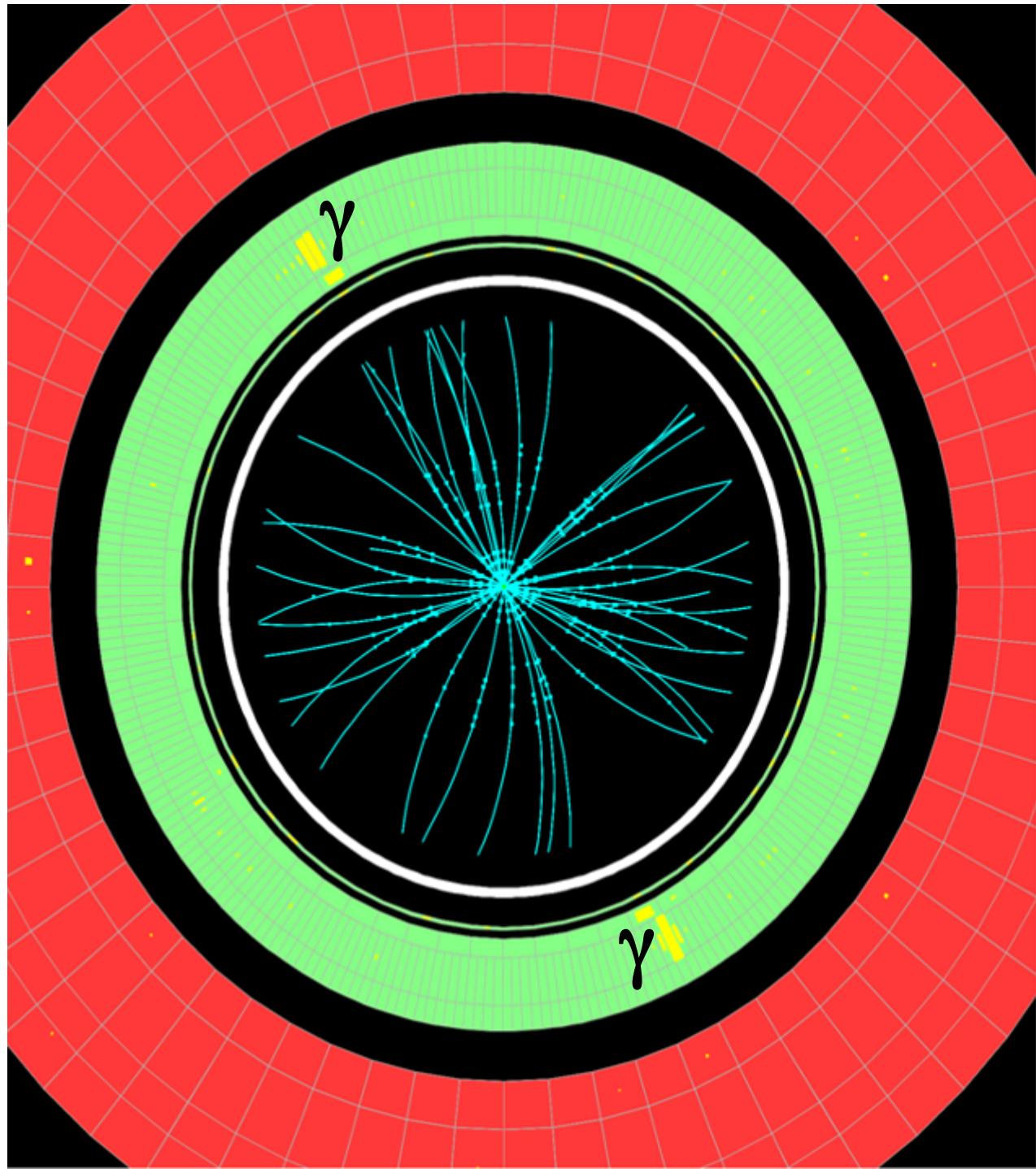
**\$9.75** PLUS SHIPPING

# The PARTICLE ZOO

# Higgs signature in LHC experiments

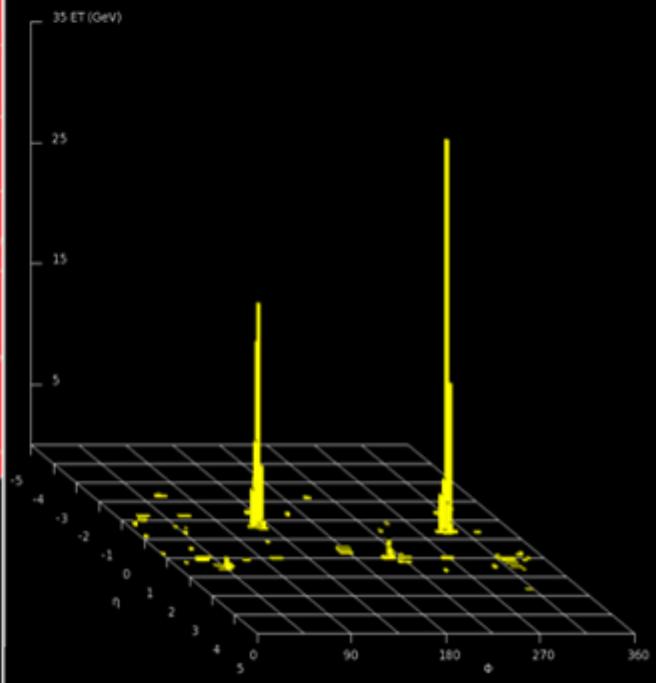
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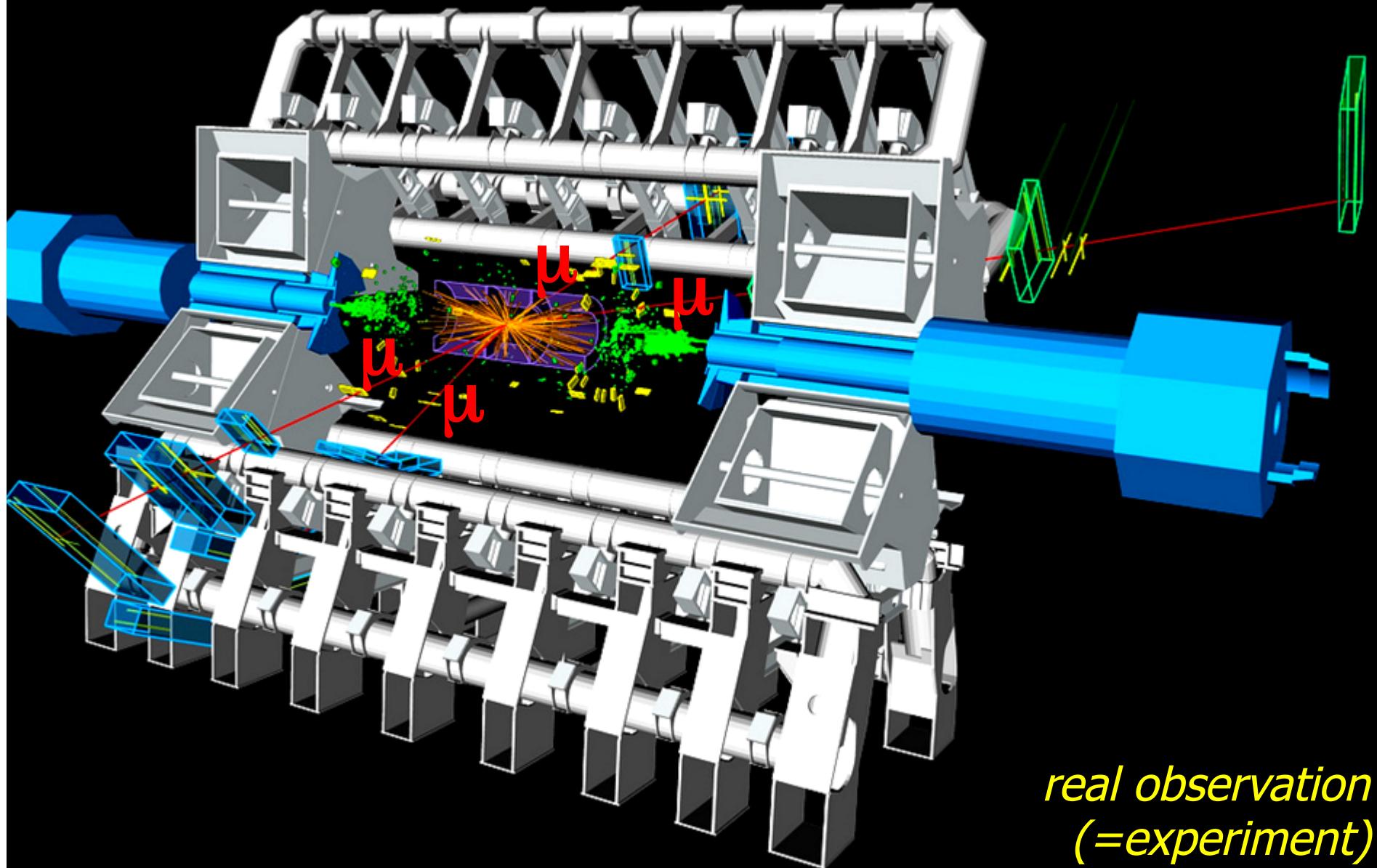


*real observation  
(=experiment)*

Higgs  
→  $\gamma\gamma$ ?



# Higgs $\rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu\mu?$



*theoretical prediction (=simulation)*



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Tim Berners-Lee, CERN/DD

Information Management: March 1989  
A Proposal

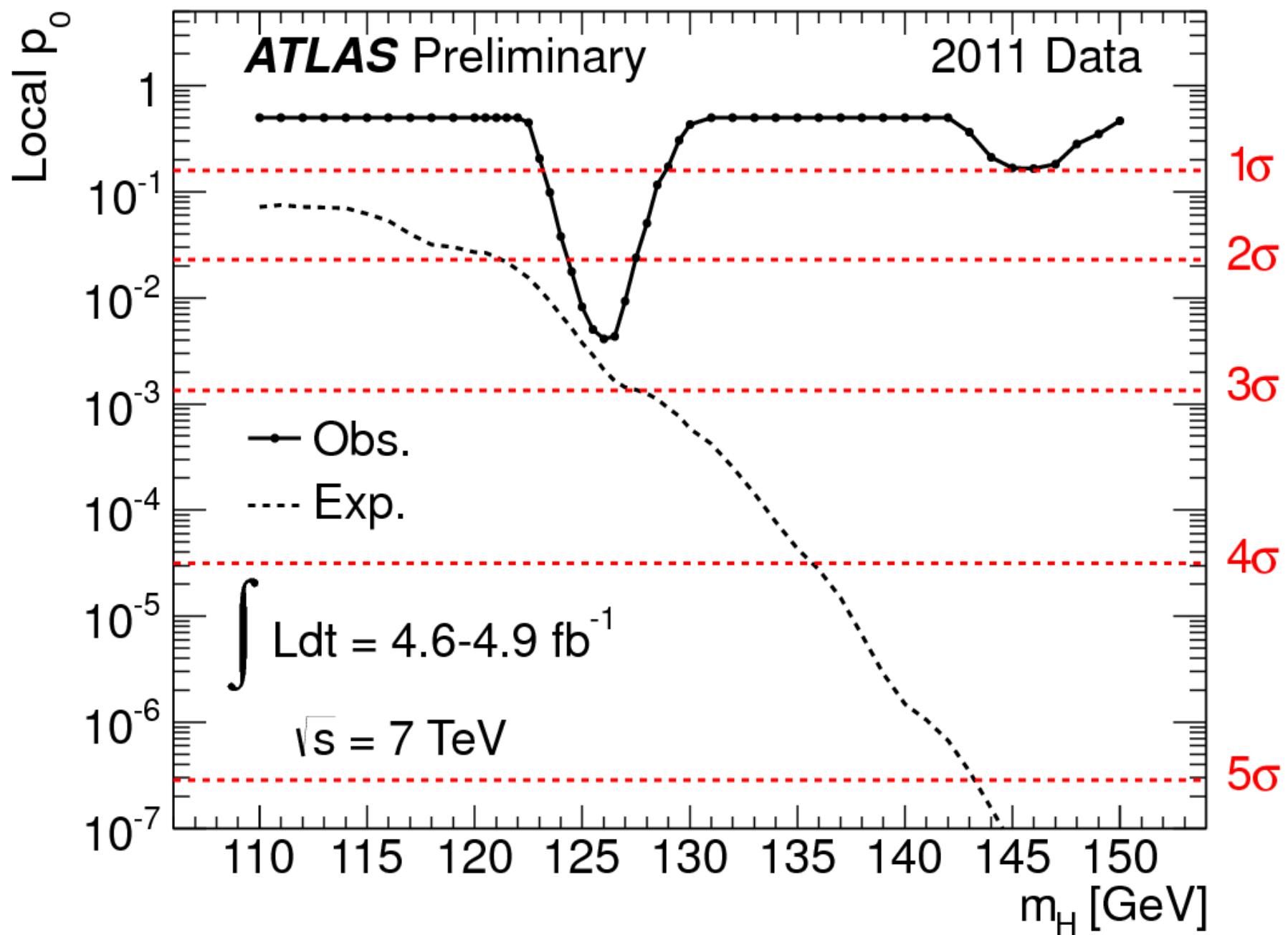
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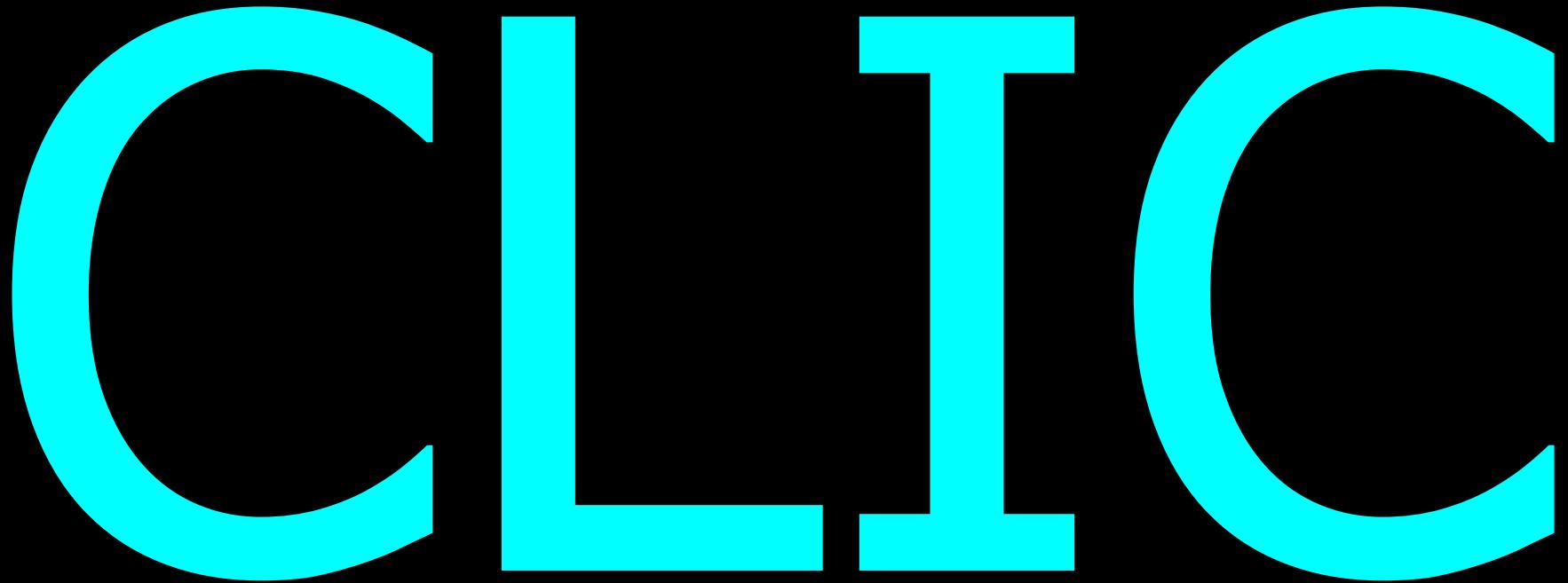
Particle Accelerator  
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... 5 minutes from here!

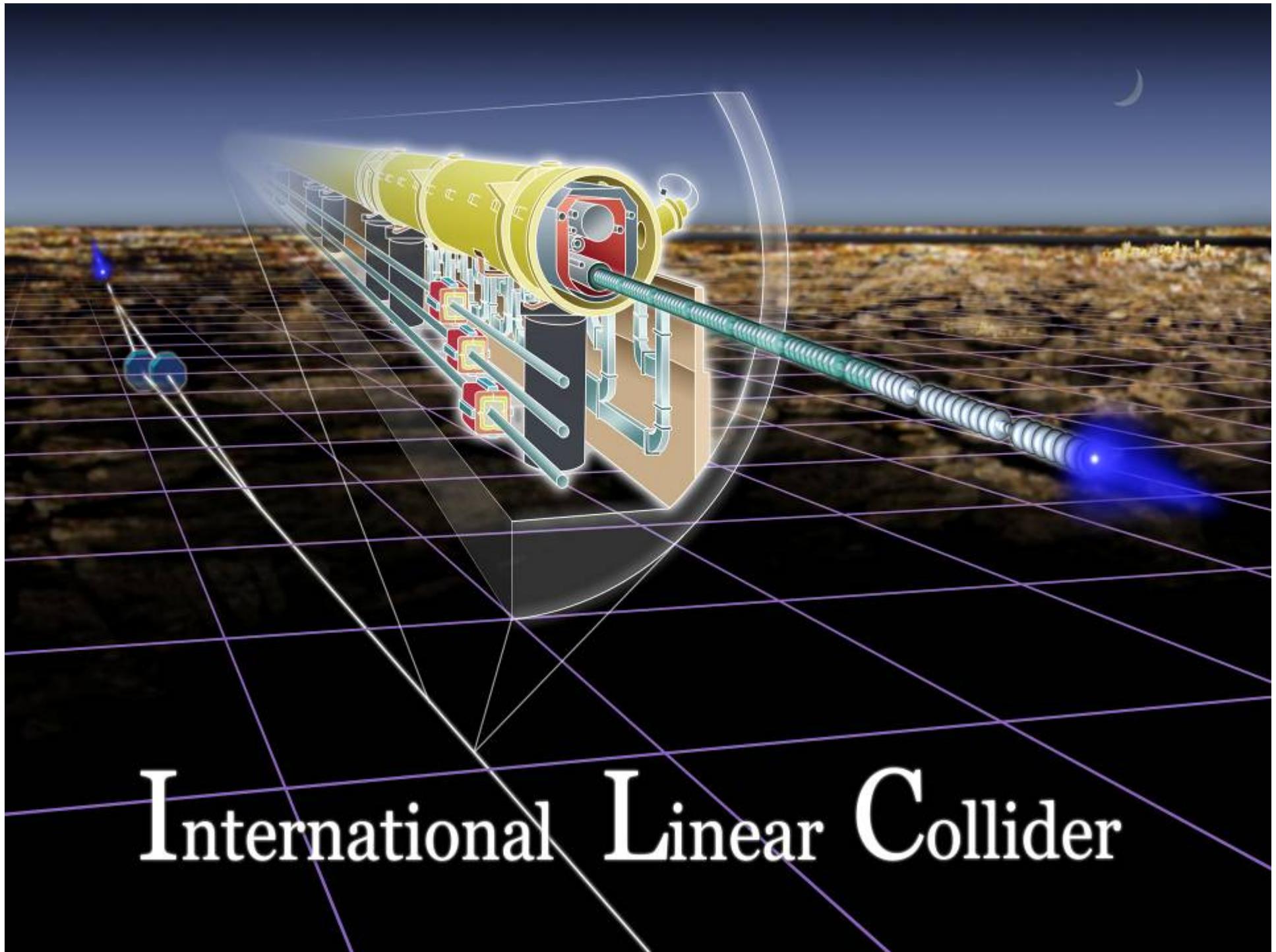




**Peter Higgs  
visits ATLAS**



*Compact Linear Collider*  
≥2025?



International Linear Collider

# Elementary Particle Physics

## Microcosmos

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