

Welcome to CERN

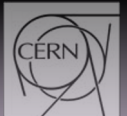
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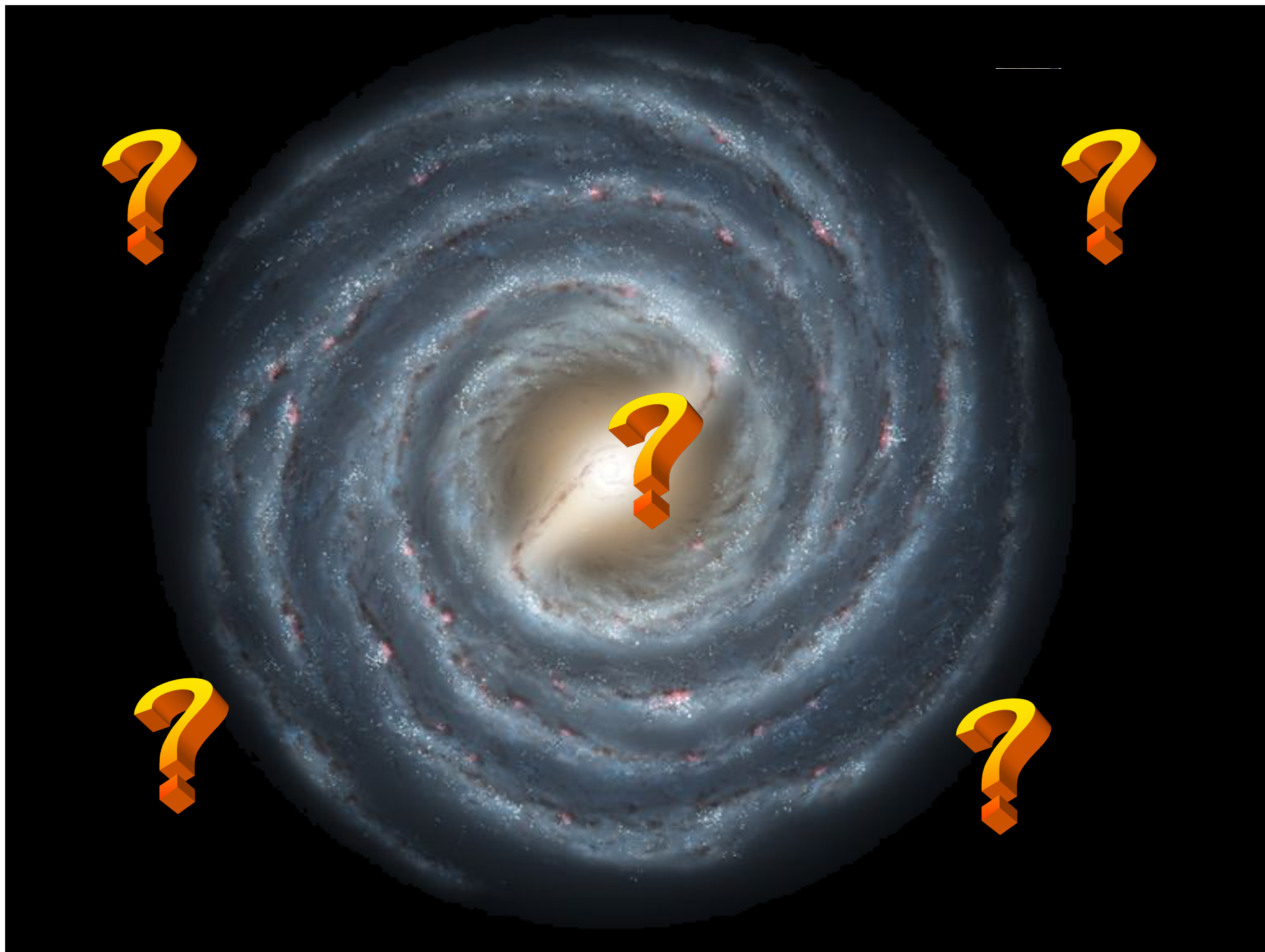
- From **Amsterdam**, NL
- **Experimental physics** at Universiteit van Amsterdam
- Ph.D. at **Nikhef (NL)**, the Netherlands' national particle physics institute
 - Largely based in **Chicago (USA)**
- Imperial College London (**UK**)
- Cornell University (**USA**)
- Professor at Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels (**BE**)
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 - **Visiting researcher** Fermilab



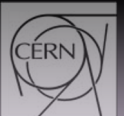
Physicists are world citizens



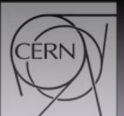
- Live in many **different** countries
- **Travel** to even more places for work
- Working with people from **all** over the world



- Introduction
- CERN
 - What and Where is it?
 - Who works there?
 - What do we do there?
- Particle Physics
 - Questions, answers and the theory of everything...
- The Large Hadron Collider
 - The Compact Muon Solenoid



What is CERN ?





1953

Sur le terrain du futur institut nucléaire



Sous la conduite de M. A. Picot, les membres du Conseil européen pour la recherche nucléaire se sont rendus hier à Meyrin pour reconnaître le terrain où s'élèvera le Centre nucléaire (voir en Dernière heure)

(Photo Freddy Bertrand, Genève)

La Suisse du 30 octobre 1953

Important dates

- 1949: first steps towards civilian research in nuclear technology
- 1952: foundation of CERN under auspices of UNESCO
- 1953: Signing of the CERN charta
- 1954 Completion of the ratification of the 12 member states



Finances & member states

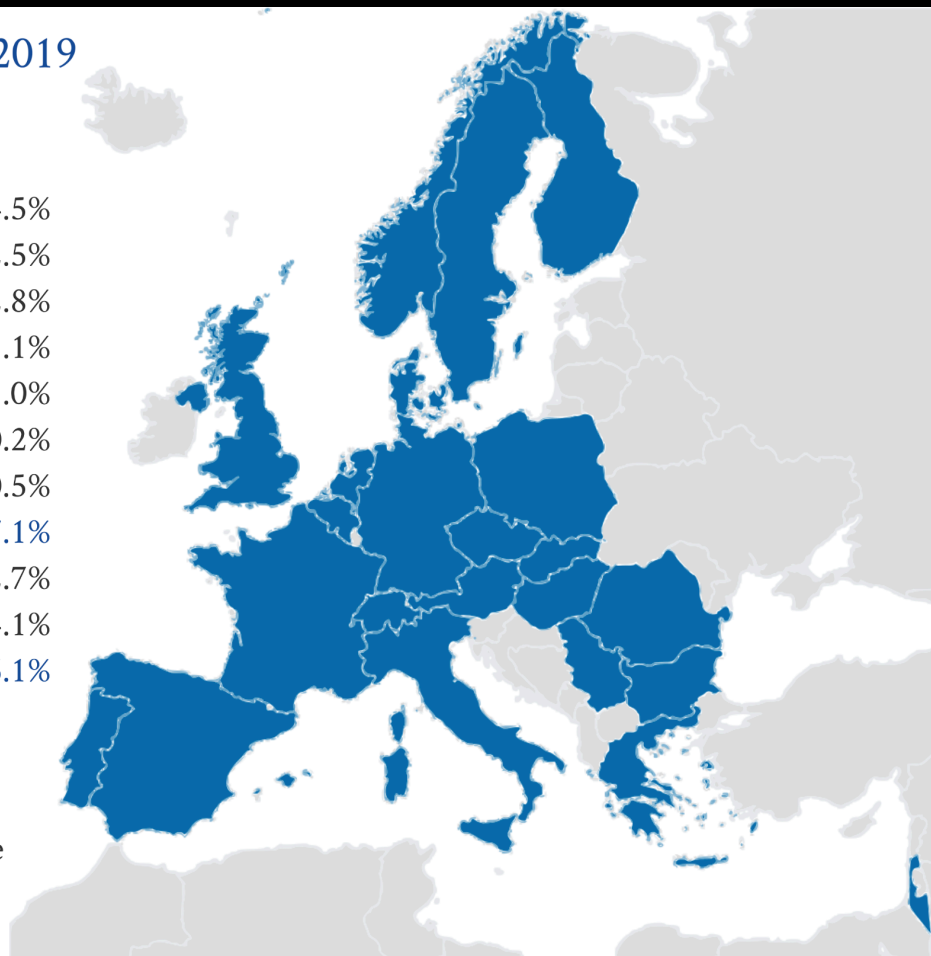
Contributions from Member States in 2019

Annual budget: 1.17 billion CHF

Austria	2.1%	Netherlands	4.5%
Belgium	2.7%	Norway	2.5%
Bulgaria	0.3%	Poland	2.8%
Czech Republic	0.9%	Portugal	1.1%
Denmark	1.8%	Romania	1.0%
Finland	1.3%	Serbia	0.2%
France	14.0%	Slovakia	0.5%
Germany	20.6%	Spain	7.1%
Greece	1.0%	Sweden	2.7%
Hungary	0.6%	Switzerland	4.1%
Israel	1.7%	United Kingdom	16.1%
Italy	10.4%		

Associate Member States (~25 MCHF)

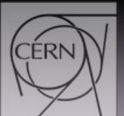
India, Lithuania, Pakistan, Turkey, Ukraine
Cyprus, Slovenia



Belgium at CERN

One of the twelve CERN founding member states

- Belgium nowadays one of the 22 CERN member states
- CERN membership of 27 M€/year funded by Belgian Federal Government (FOD Economie)
- CERN Mandate:
 - Fundamental scientific research
 - Technology transfer
 - Training and educating STEM professionals of the future
 - International collaboration



Who works at CERN?



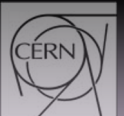
- 3000 people employed by CERN
 - Physicists, engineers, computer scientists, mathematicians, firemen, cooks, builders, technicians, secretaries, security, etc
- >10000 physicists associated with CERN
 - Including yours truly

Who works at CERN?



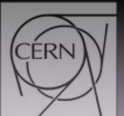
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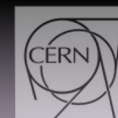


Who visits CERN

- CERN is an **open laboratory**
- Anyone is welcome to visit, ask questions, **take photographs**, etc
- Every year, 25,000 people visit CERN
- Open days September 2019, 75000 people visited in 2 days!!!

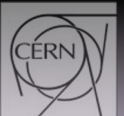


What do we do at CERN?

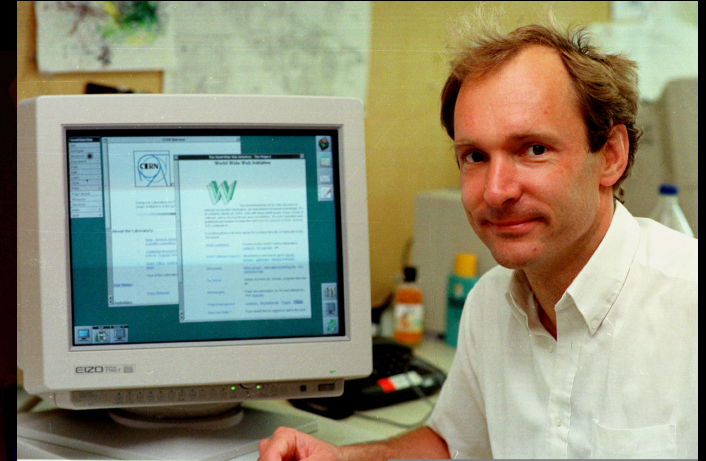


Basic vs applied research

- Two types of science research
 - **Basic research** (how do things work)
 - **Applied research** (how do I make...)
- CERN only does **basic** research
 - But usually we need to build things that do not exist yet...
- Applied research **needs** basic research



CERN - where the web was born

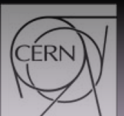


Tim Berners-Lee



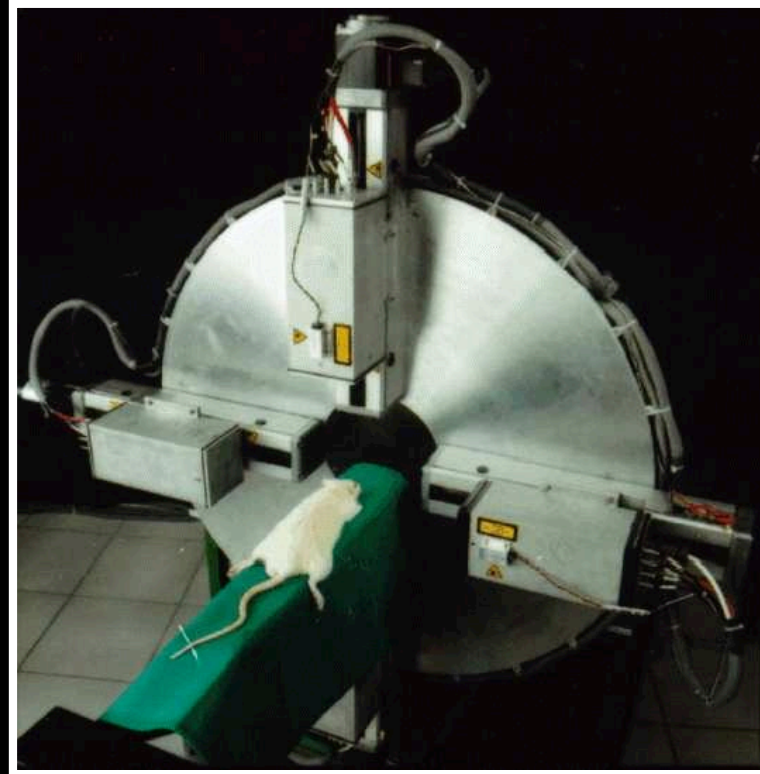
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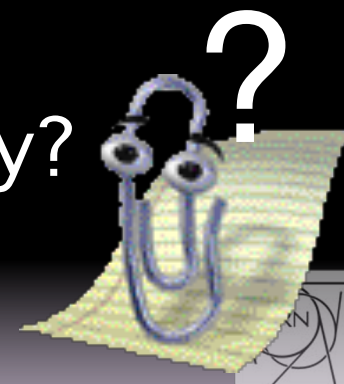
But also...

- PET scans
- Radiation therapy
- Loads of computing/internet development
 - cloud, fast internet, quantum computing



Basic Questions


- What is **everything** around us made of?
- How does matter **stick together**?
- What, really, is **mass**?
 - And does the **Higgs particle** indeed play a role in the creation of mass?
- Are there really only 3 **spatial dimensions**?
- Are the **smallest particles** we know **fundamental**?
- Where did the **anti-matter** go?
- Where's the rest of the **matter** anyway?



Chemistry answer:

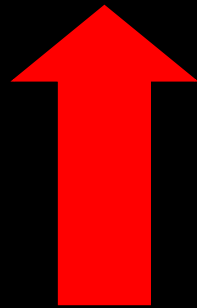
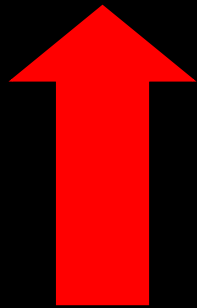
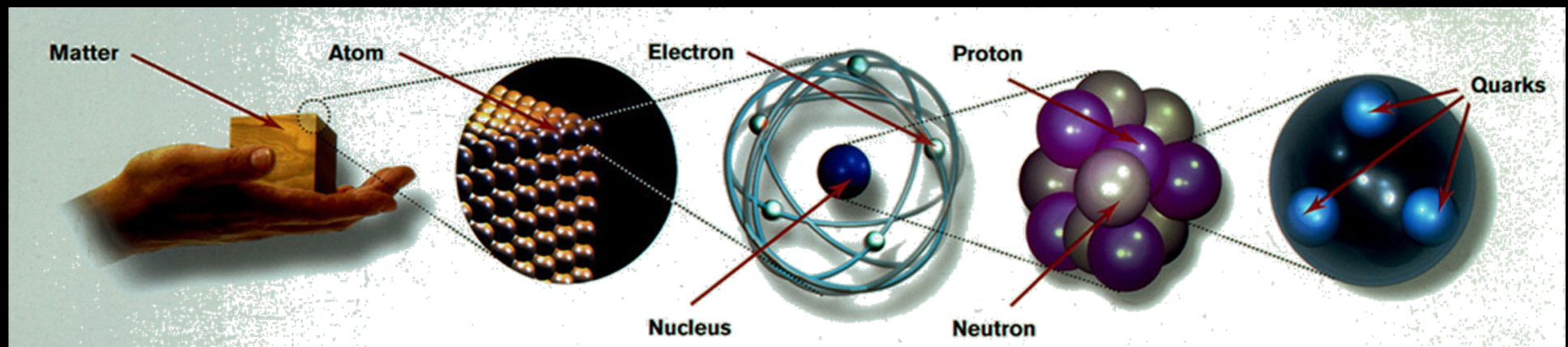
The image shows a standard periodic table of elements, color-coded by groups. The elements are arranged in rows and columns. A white bracket is drawn on the left side, grouping the lanthanide series (elements 57-71) and the actinide series (elements 89-103). The elements are labeled with their atomic number, symbol, and name. The colors used are: red for alkali metals, pink for alkaline earth metals, blue for transition metals, green for post-transition metals, yellow for noble gases, and orange for halogens. The lanthanide and actinide series are highlighted in light blue.

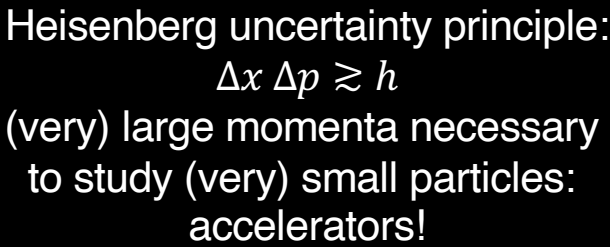
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37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe						
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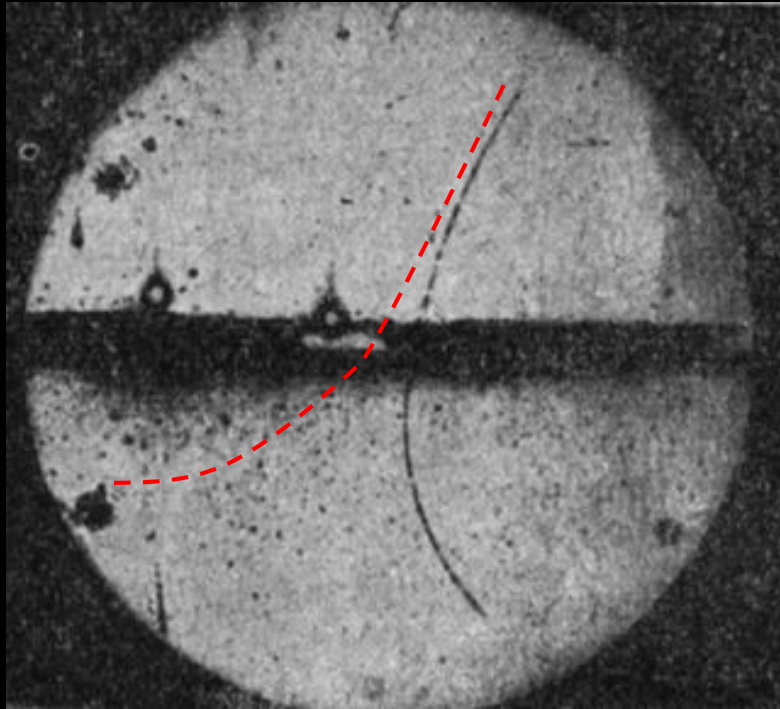
What is everything around us made of?

Physics answer:



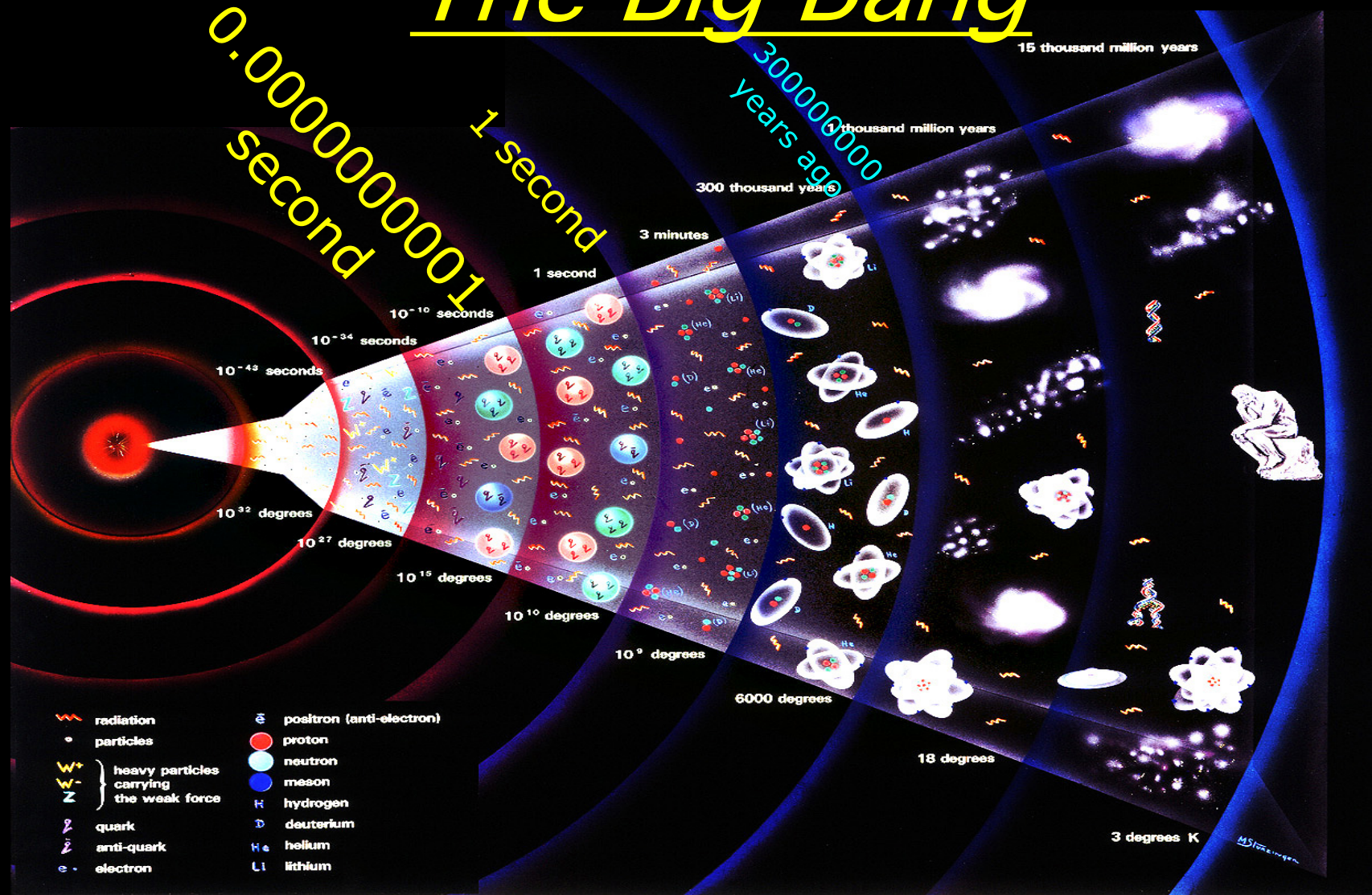


Anti-matter

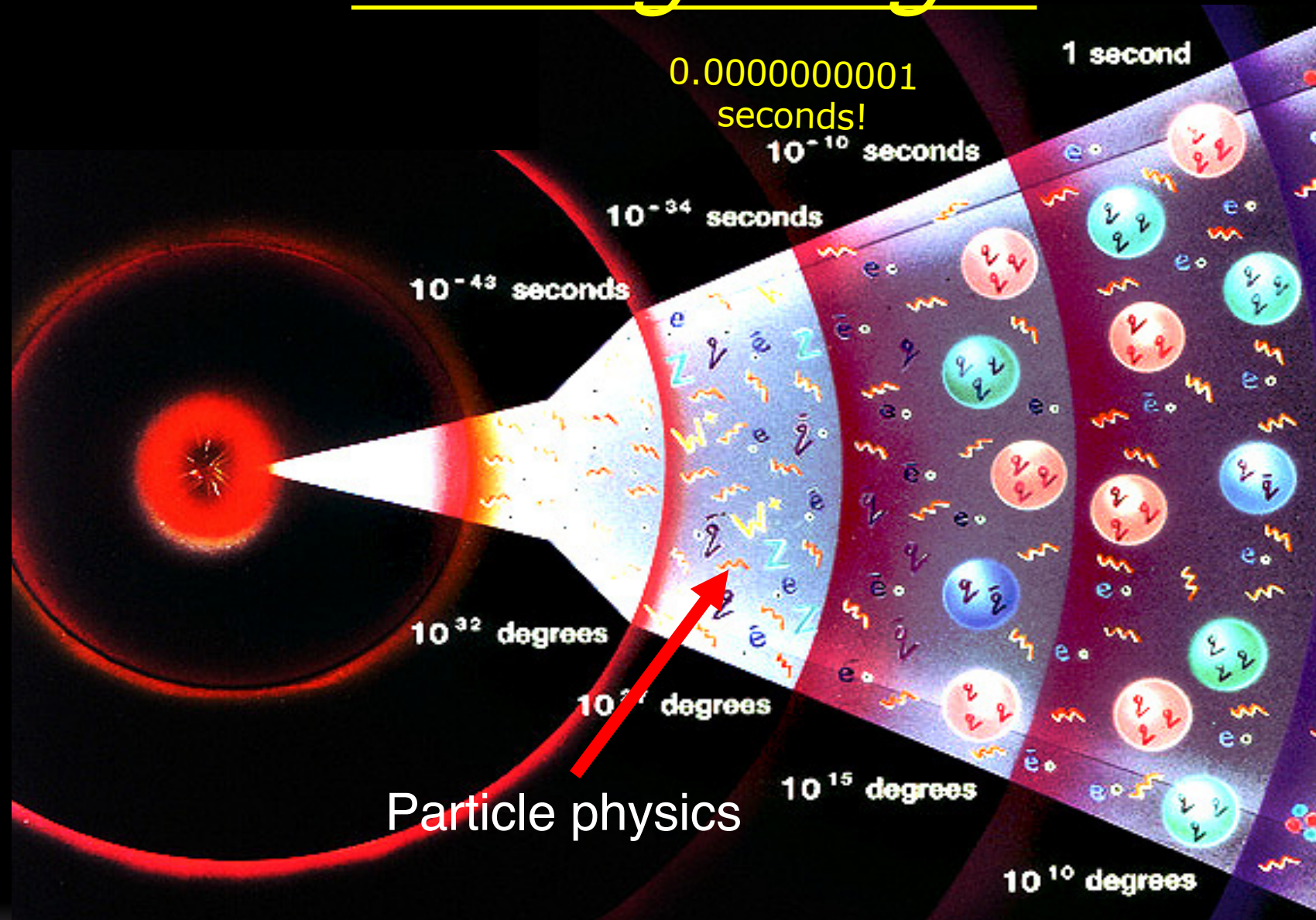


- Anti-matter: discovered in 1923
 - Predicted by theory
- *Almost* same as matter... But oppositely charged
- Problem: at big bang there was just as much matter as anti-matter... Where did it go?

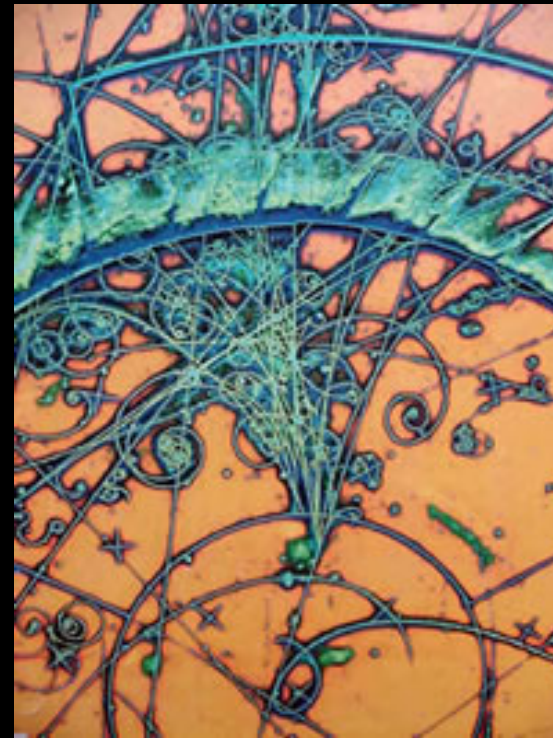
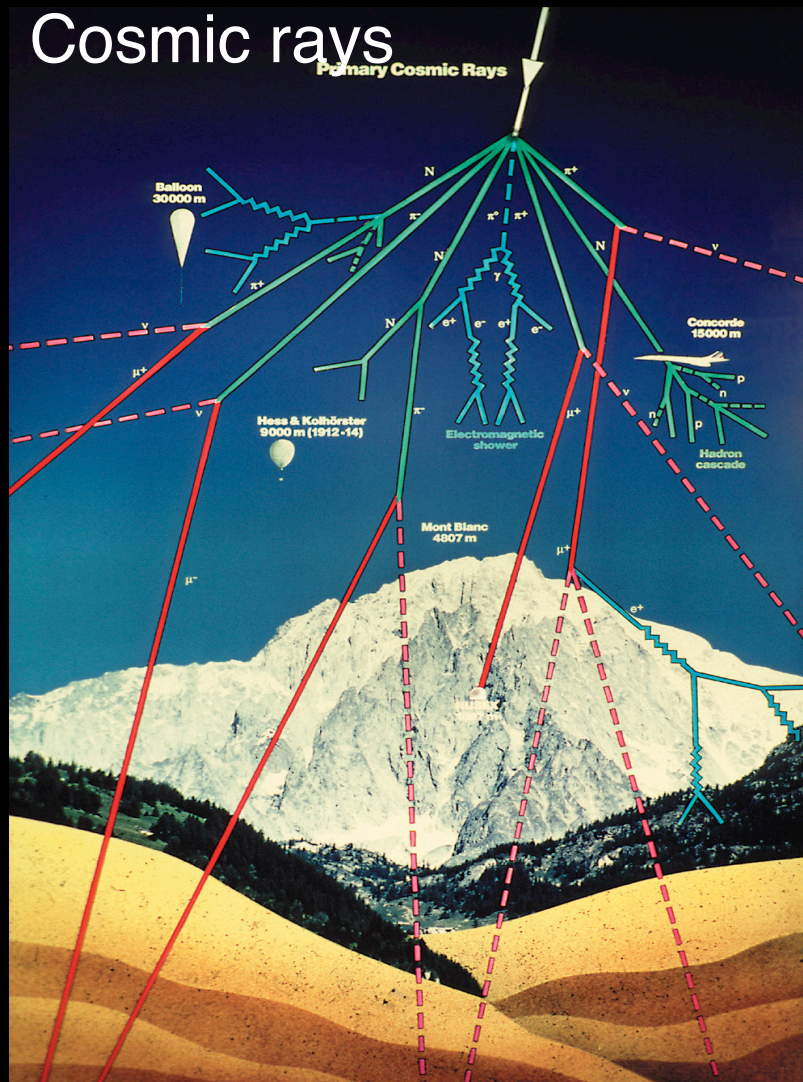
The Big Bang



The Big Bang...



How do we know all this?



Accelerator experiments
Radioactivity experiments

And about 100 years of
hard work by many people...

Needed: machine for searching



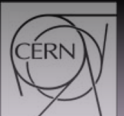
The Large Hadron Collider

CERN is more than just the LHC
Many other small experiments
Djunes will talk about those

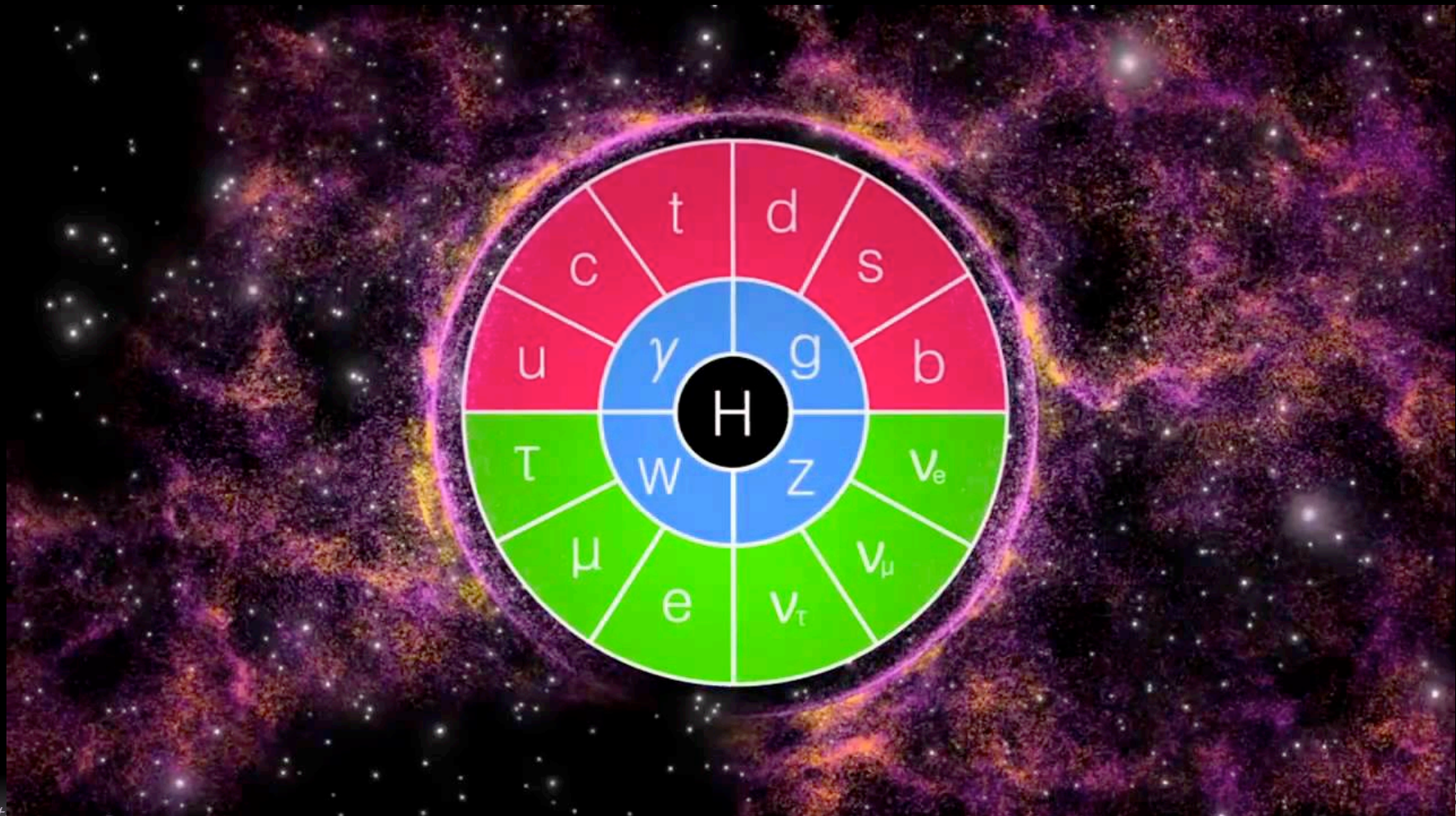
Restarts collisions in 2022!

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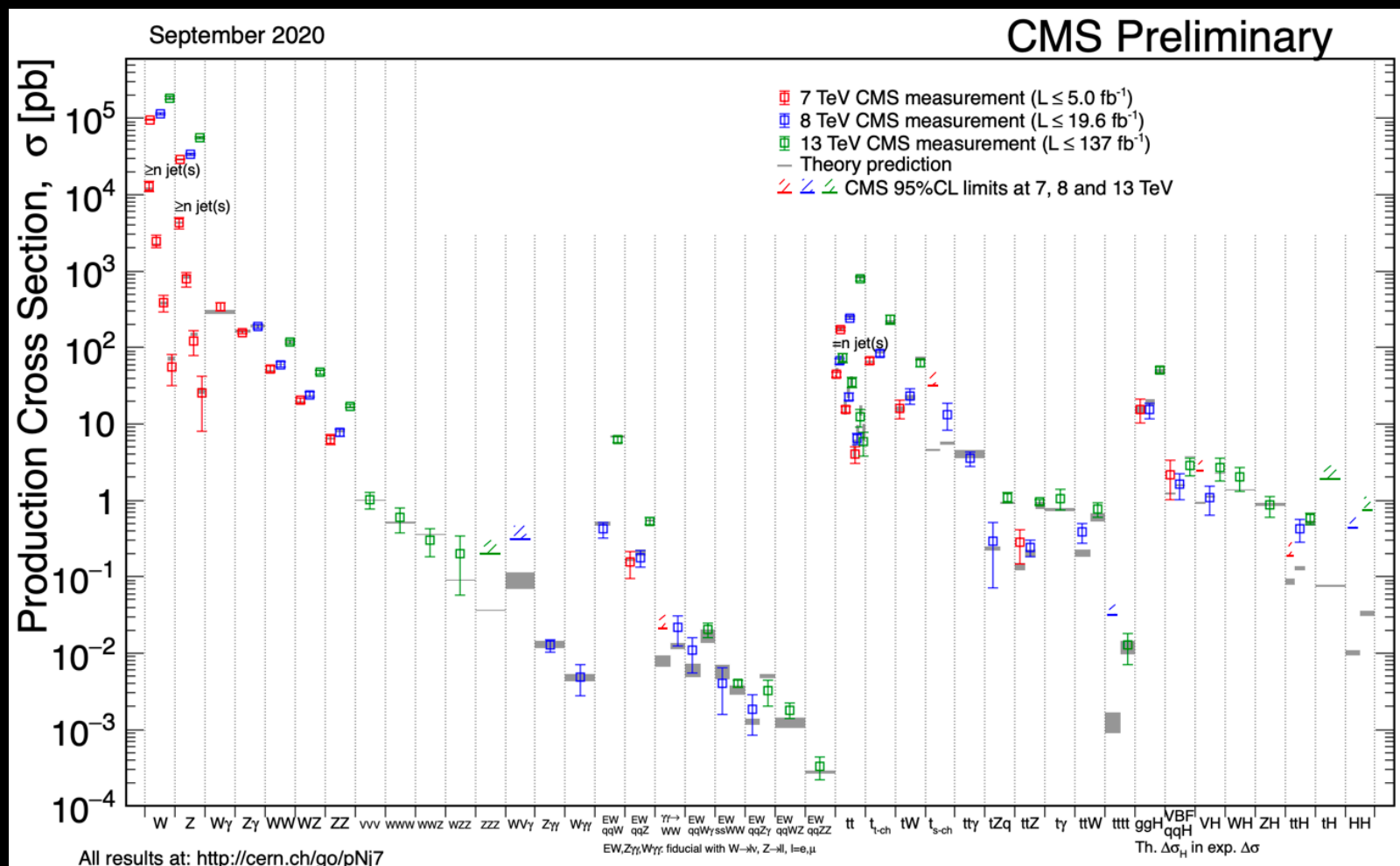
The Standard Model!



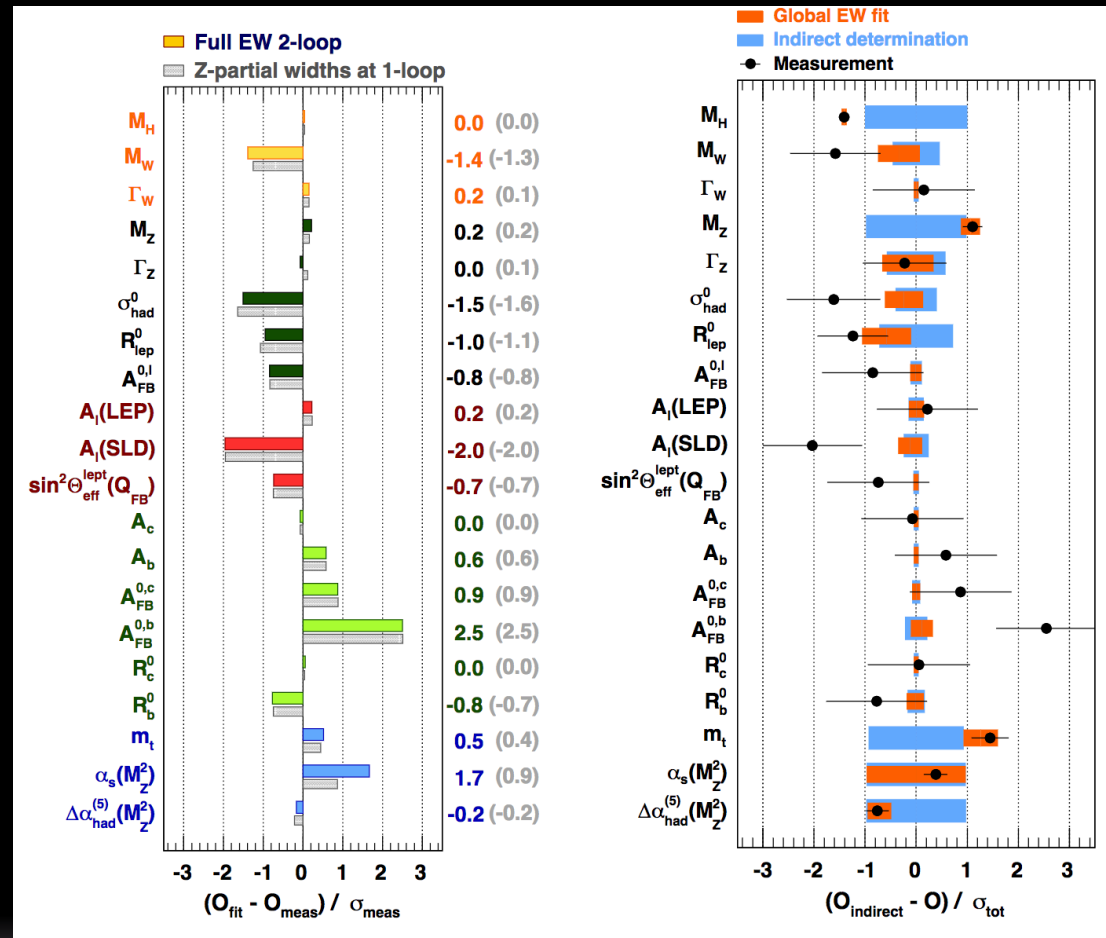


$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{2}\partial_\nu g_\mu^a \partial_\nu g_\mu^a - g_s f^{abc} \partial_\mu g_\nu^a g_\mu^b g_\nu^c - \frac{1}{4} g_s^2 f^{abc} f^{ade} g_\mu^b g_\nu^c g_\mu^d g_\nu^e + \\
& \frac{1}{2} i g_s^2 (\bar{q}_i^\sigma \gamma^\mu q_j^\sigma) g_\mu^a + G^a \partial^2 G^a + g_s f^{abc}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

Standard Model at the LHC: orders of magnitude



Standard Model (scarily) good at describing everything

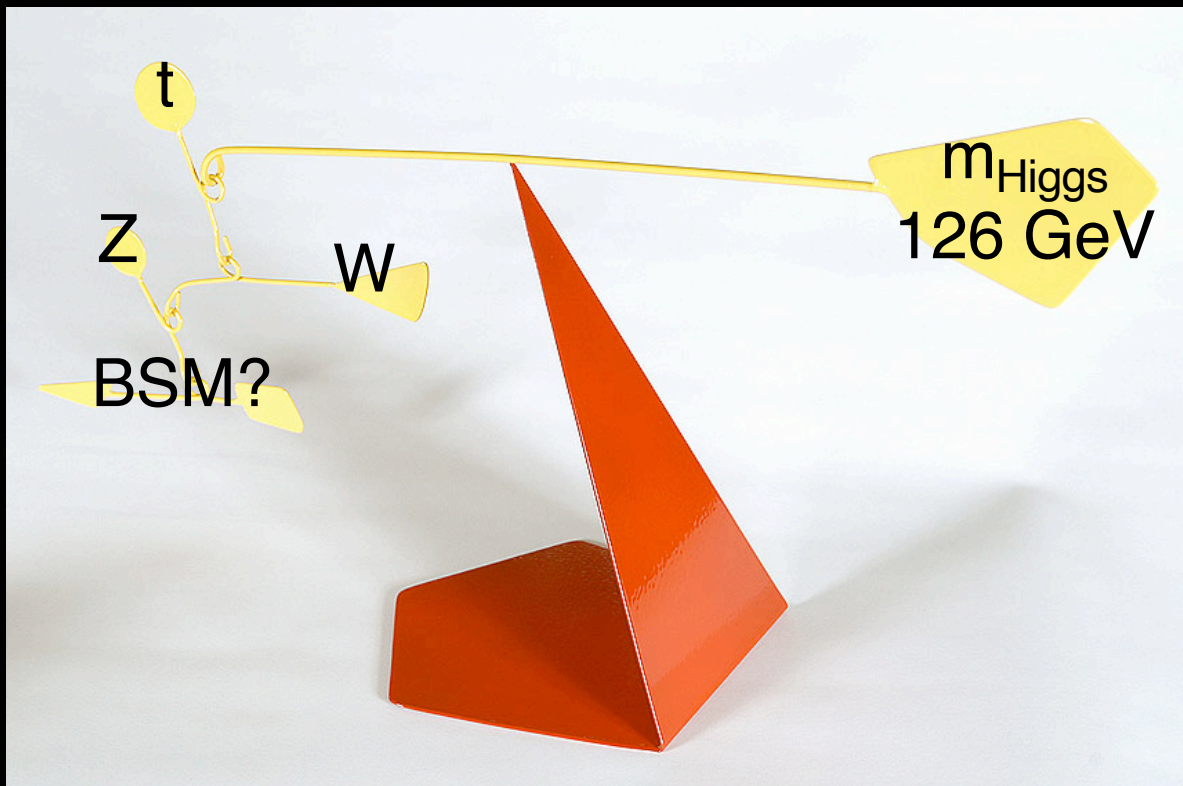


See also:
arXiv:1407.3792
(Gfitter group)

Problems with the Standard Model – experimentalist perspective

- Matter vs antimatter asymmetry
 - Standard Model cannot provide enough CP violation to explain dominance of matter
- Dark Matter
 - if it exists, it is very likely not described by the Standard Model
 - Neither is dark energy
- Standard Model neutrinos are massless
 - The 2015 Nobel Prize (Kajita and McDonald) was for neutrino oscillations, directly proving that neutrinos have mass
- Structure is not really explained

Little Hierarchy problem, Naturalness

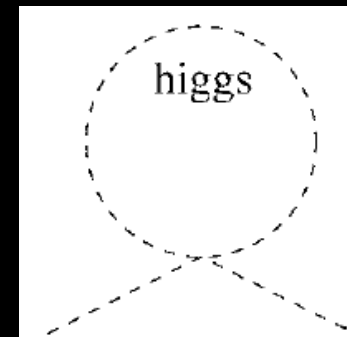
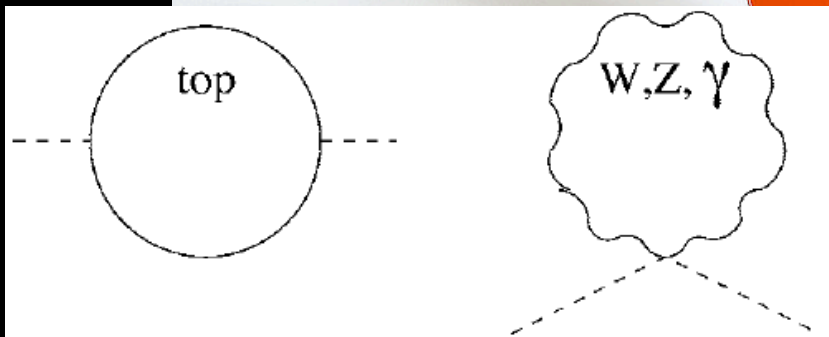
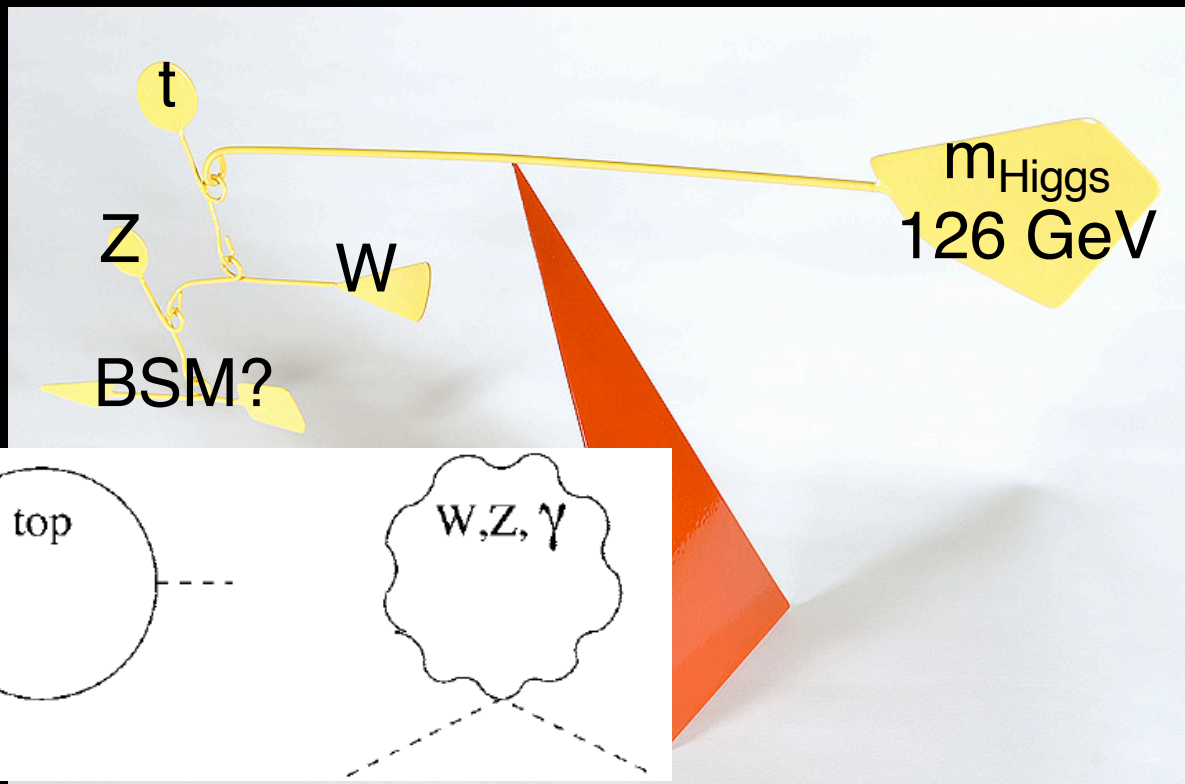


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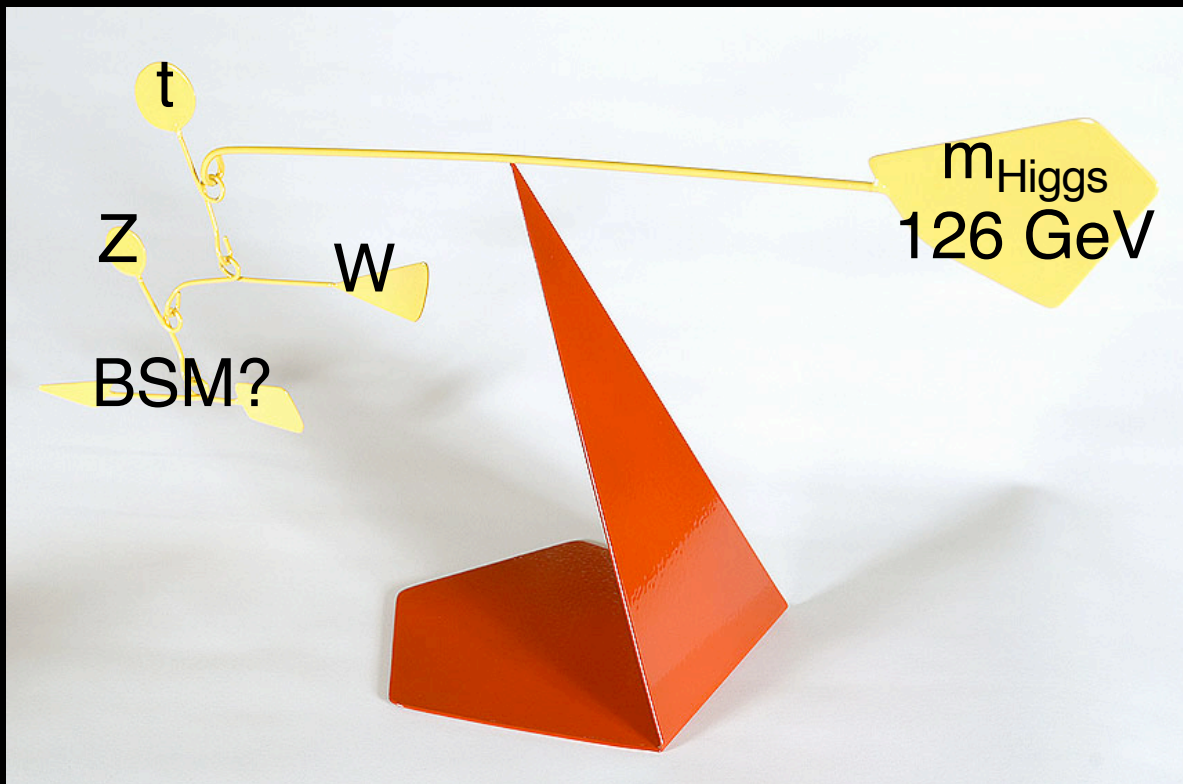
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If fine tuning $\leq 10\%$:

Restrictions:

$\Lambda_{\text{quarks}} \sim < 2 \text{ TeV}$

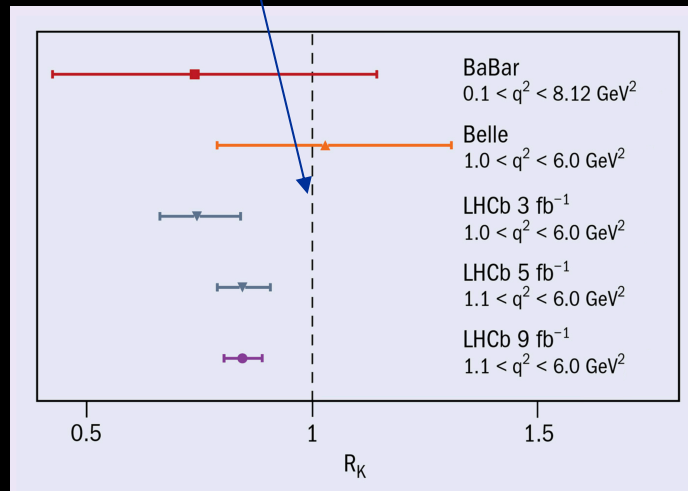
$\Lambda_{\text{gauge}} \sim < 5 \text{ TeV}$

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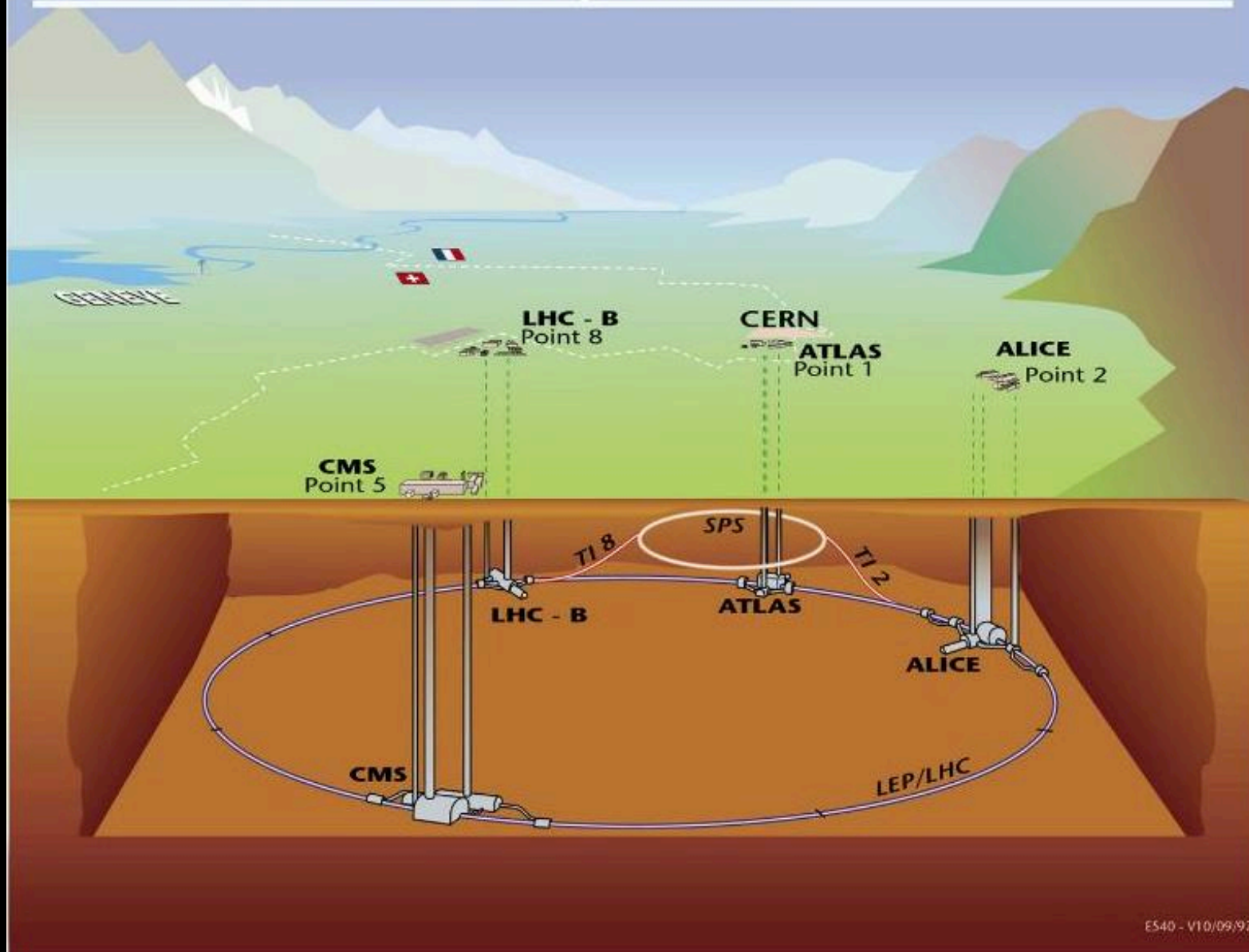
Other ways : precision vs direct production

SM predicts 1 if no new particles

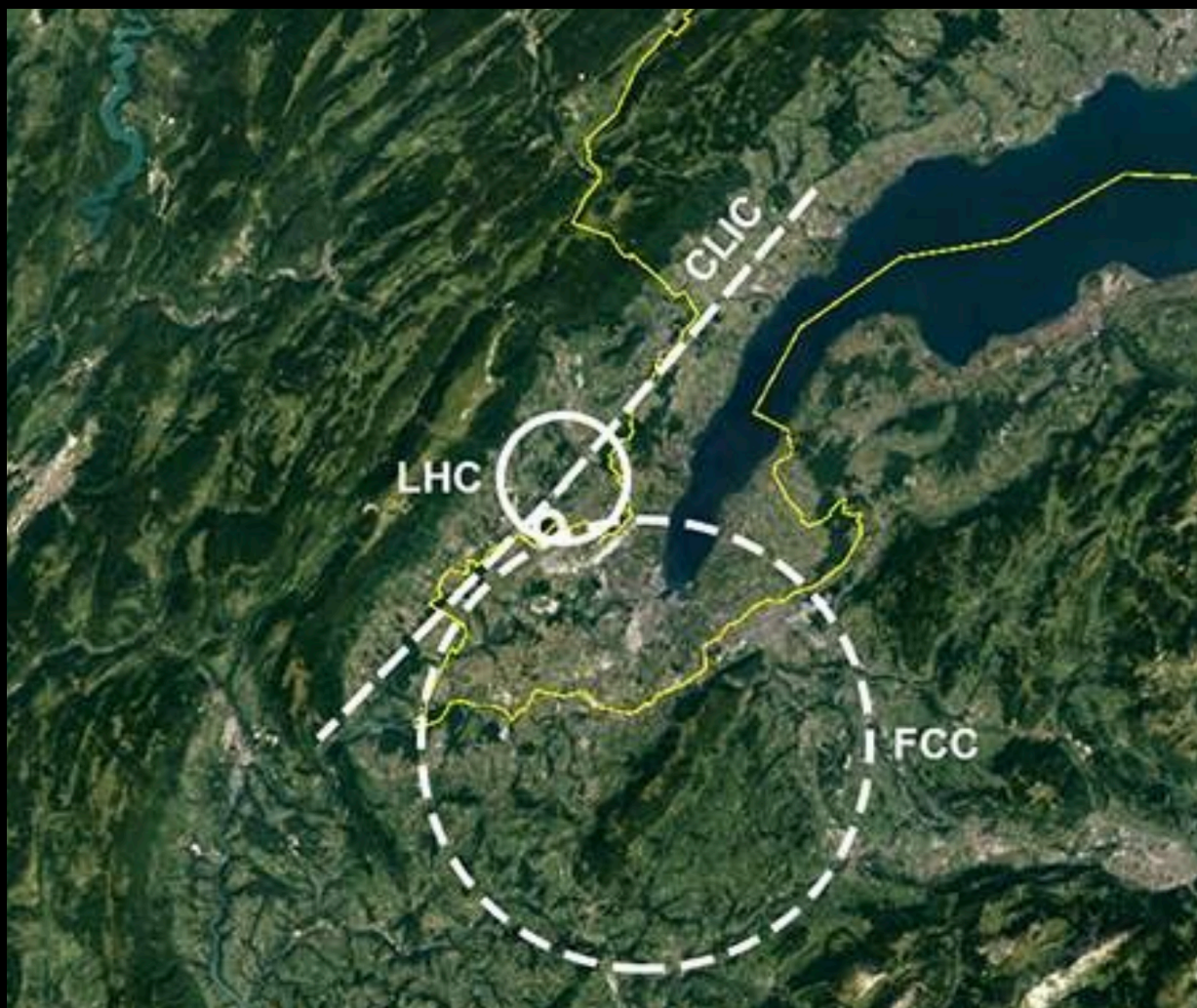


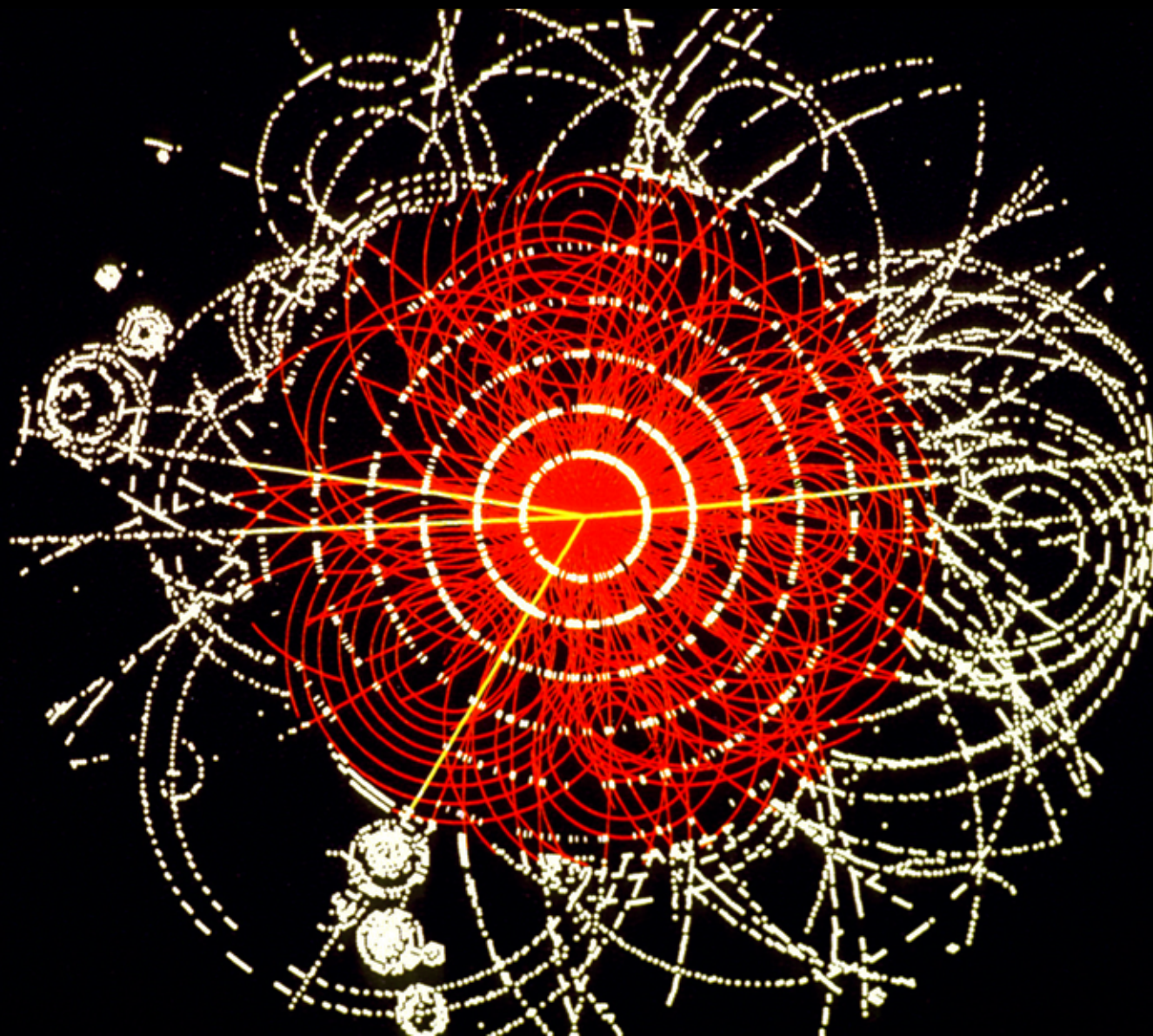
- The other way to measure is to find something that the standard model predicts accurately and that is sensitive to extra particles
- This way you can go to much higher mass but you cannot 'see' the particles themselves, just their quantum effects on measurement
- Examples in recent media (and tomorrow, Thursday): LHCb $R(K)$ and $g-2$ experiments

Overall view of the LHC experiments.

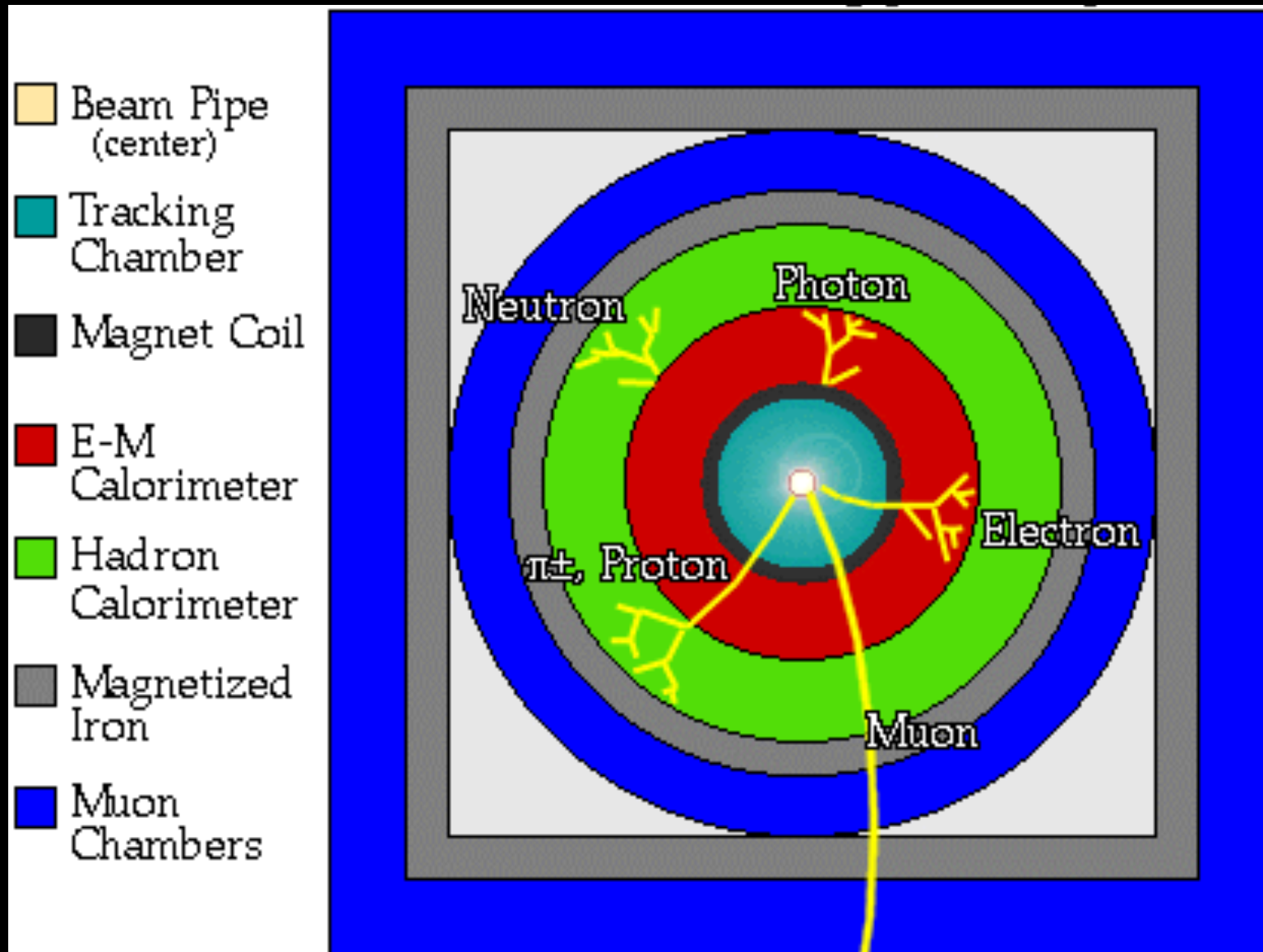


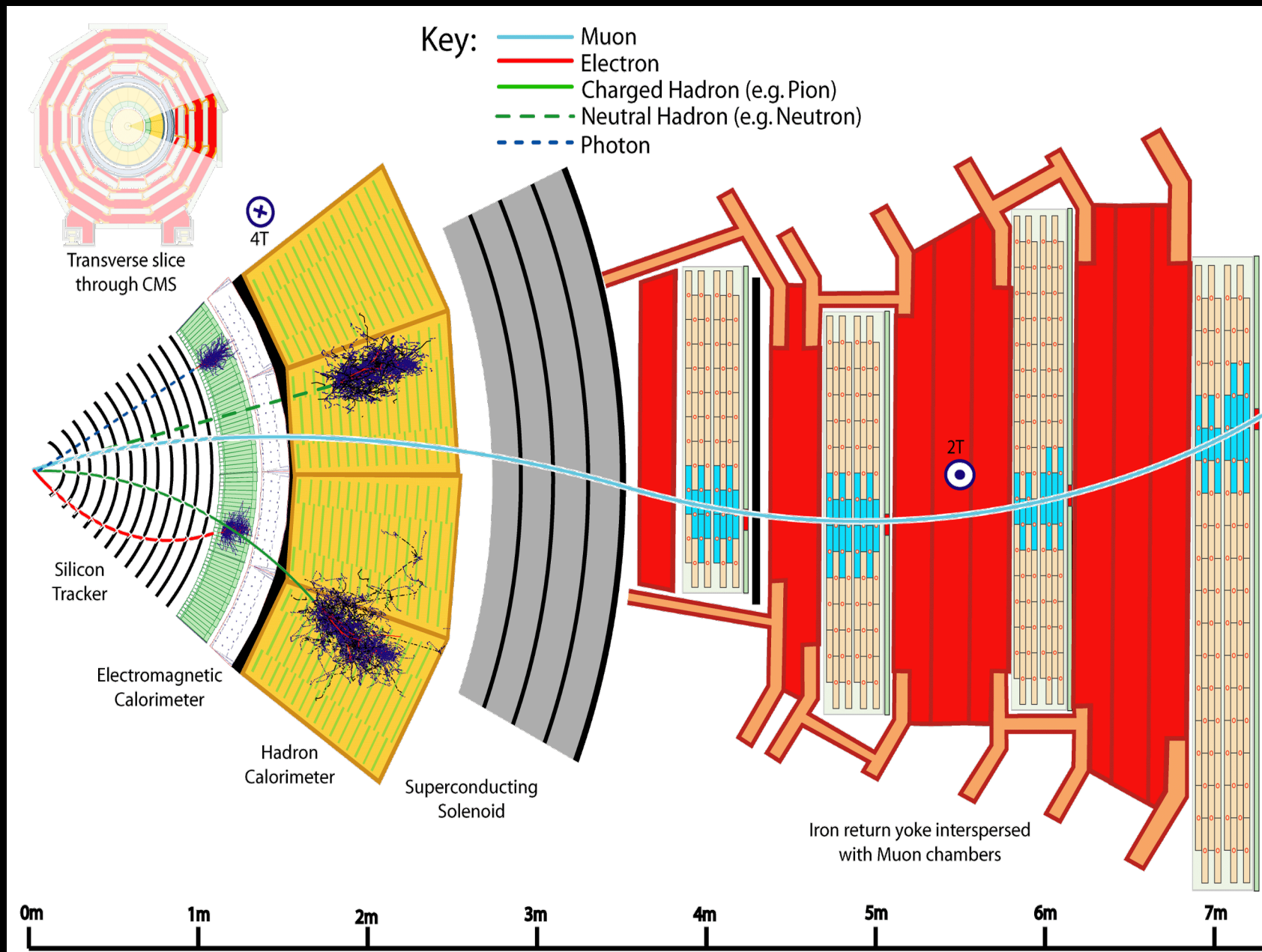
The future?

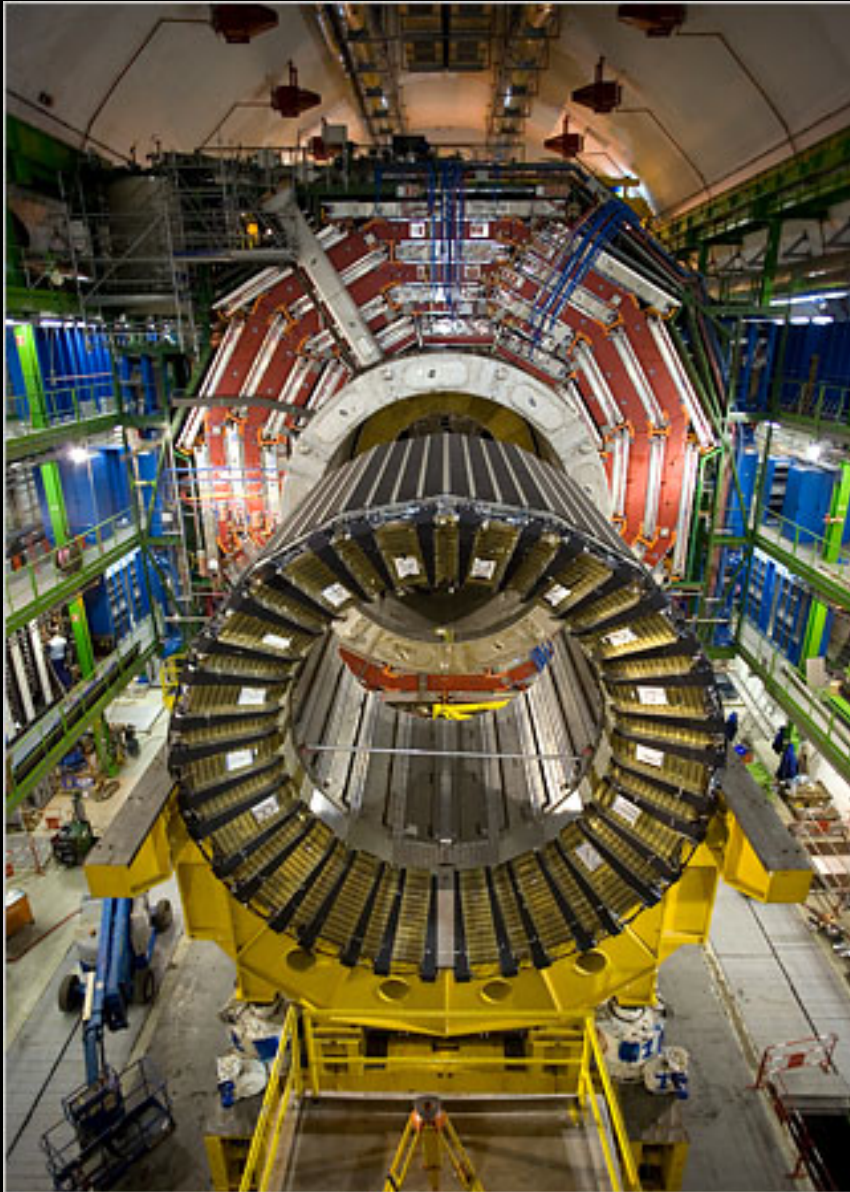




Experiment at particle accelerator: schematic







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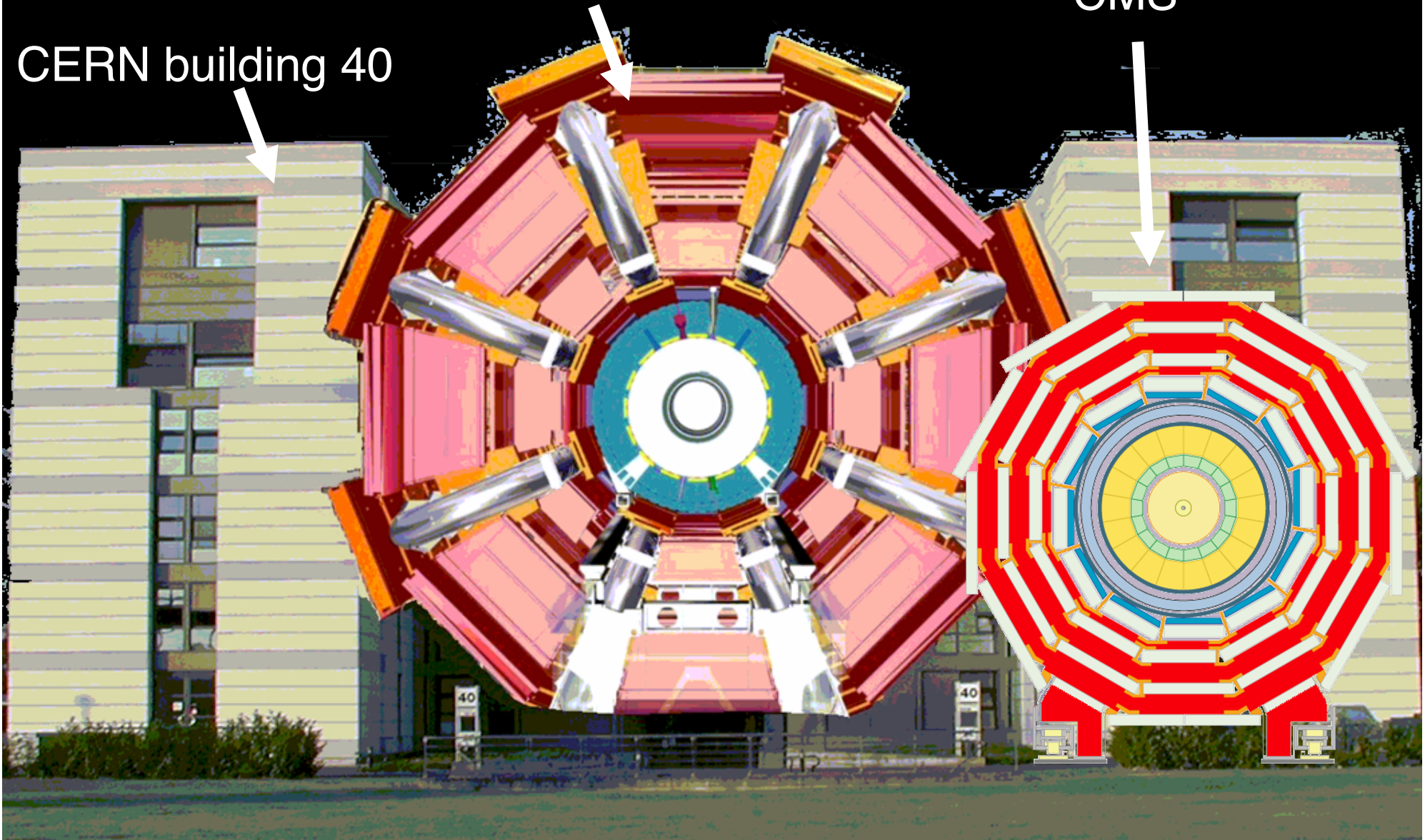
- Compact
 - Muon
 - Solenoid
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- “Compact” is relative...

ATLAS is twice as big!

ATLAS

CMS

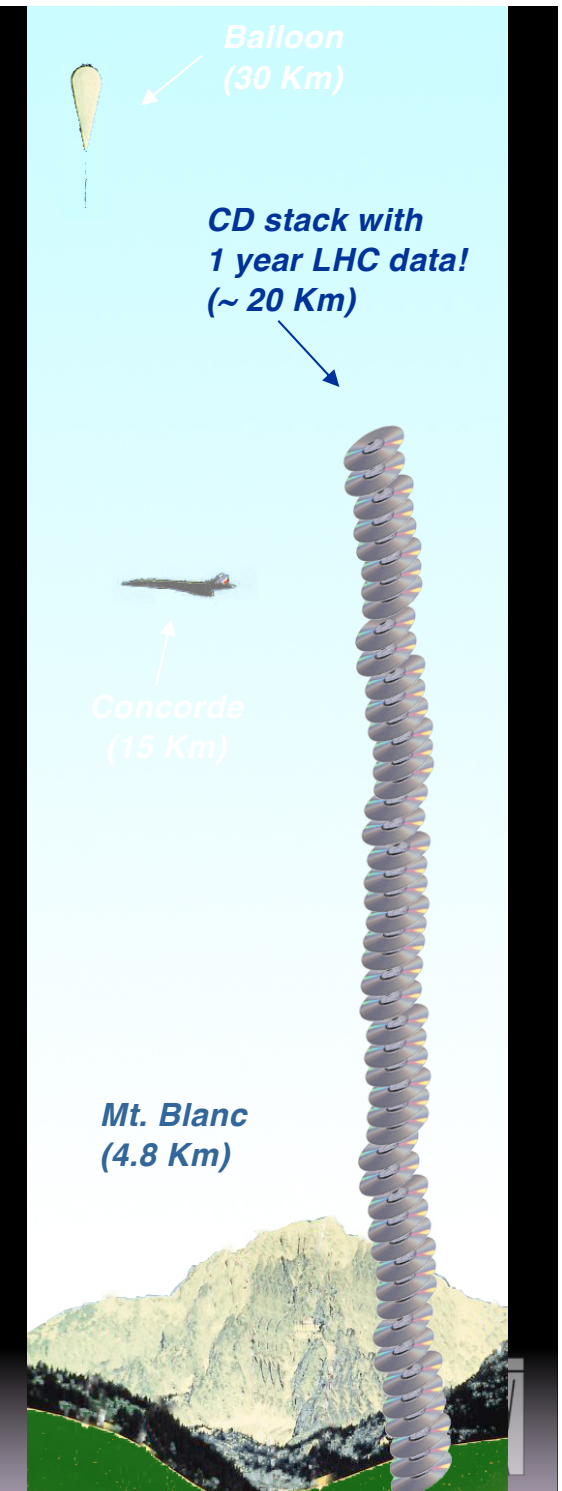
CERN building 40



LHC experiments will produce **10-15 million GB** of data each year (about 20 million CDs!)

LHC data analysis requires a computing power equivalent to **~100,000 of today's fastest PC processors.**

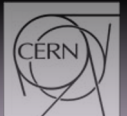
And that is only because we throw away data to only collect 1 GB/s per experiment!



More open questions

- Are the quarks and leptons **elementary** particles?
- Are there **other particles** we have not seen yet?
- Why are the masses **different**?
- Matter/Antimatter **asymmetry** in universe?
- What about **gravity**? Or **superstrings**? Or **extra** dimensions?
- Properties of the **neutrino**?

Answering any *one* of these **questions** is worthy of a **Nobel Prize**!



Normally

- visiting CERN is something that physics students remember for a long time
- Personally: I changed my research direction (biophysics → particle physics) after a CERN visit
- Normally it also is fun and socially

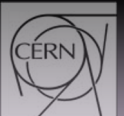


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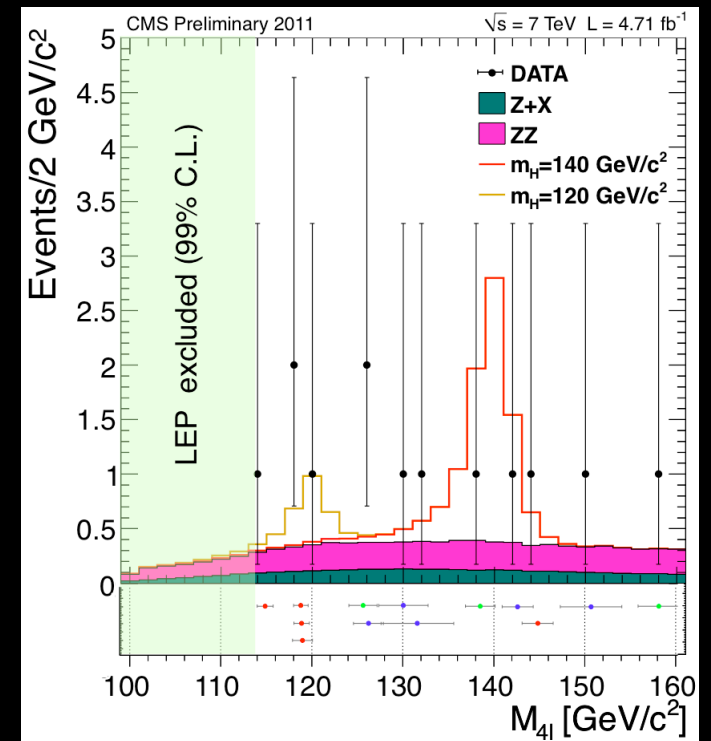
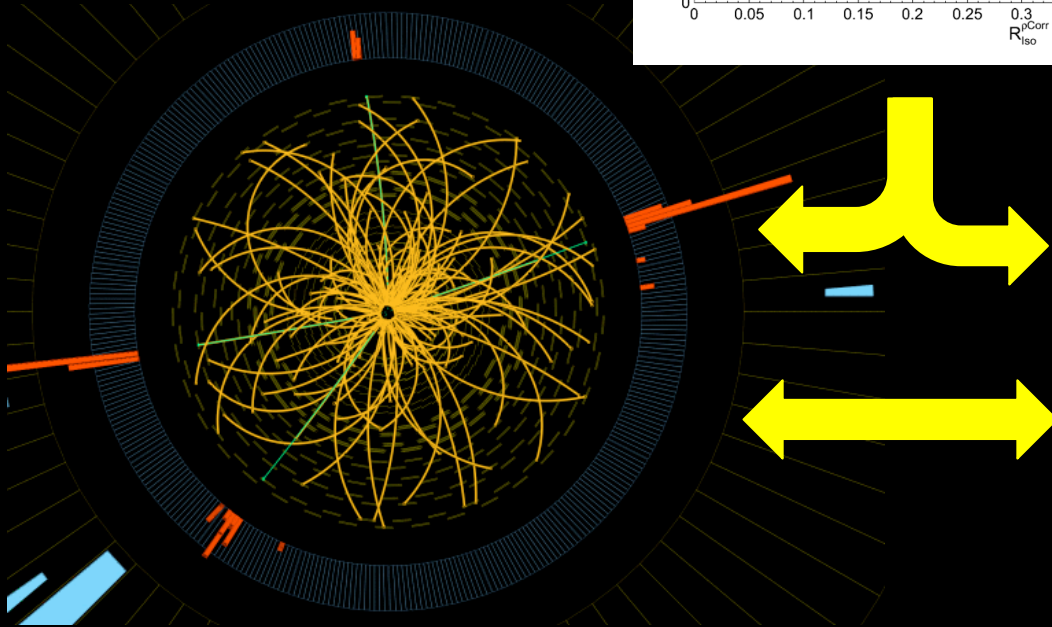
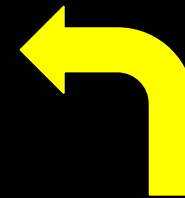
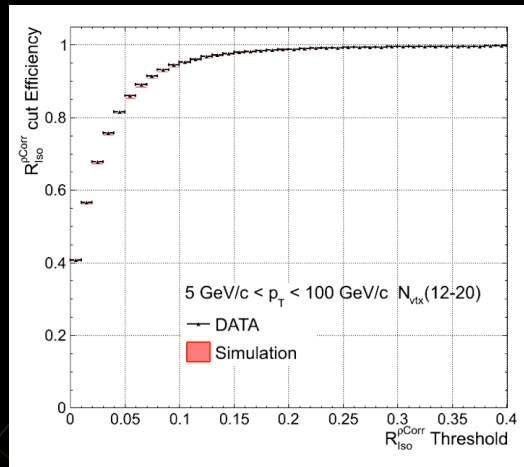


- Virtual visits only work if YOU ask questions
- I know this is scary, but without questions this visit will be extremely boring and you could spend your Easter break better
- So I propose that everyone asks ONE question
(more of course allowed)

Don't forget to have fun!



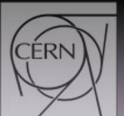
What do we actually do?



Belgium at CERN

One of the twelve CERN founding member states

- Belgium nowadays one of the 22 CERN member states
- CERN membership of 27 M€/year funded by Belgian Federal Government (FOD Economie)
- CERN Mandate:
 - Fundamental scientific research
 - Technology transfer
 - Training and educating STEM professionals of the future
 - International collaboration



Nederland en Cern



Nederland is een van de 12 oprichters van Cern.

- Cornelis Jan Bakker Director General 1955-1960
 - Walter Hoogland Director of research 1989 -1994
 - Jos Engelen Director of research 2004 - 2008

Nederlandse wetenschappers hebben belangrijke bijdragen geleverd aan de ontdekkingen in deeltjes fysica en het onderzoek op CERN.

Nobel prijzen in de Natuurkunde codeeltjes fysica

- 1902 P. Zeeman & H. Lorentz: Zeeman effect (structuur in spectrale lijnen, kwantisatie van elektronenbanen)
- 1913 H. Kamerling Onnes: Superconductiviteit
- 1984 S. van der Meer: Cern Accelerator fysicus, stochastisch koeling
- 1999 M. Veltman and G. 't Hooft: Renormalisatie theorie van electro-zwakke interacties



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As a job:
Travel
Variation
Colleagues
Science

In school:
Liked science,
also art, history

For my PhD:
Exciting
Doing things first
See the world

University:
Experimental
Computers
Mathematics