

An introduction to CERN

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Accelerating Science and Innovation

1945 l'Europe après deux guerres dévastatrices en moins de 30 ans



Les chercheurs quittent l'Europe pour USA

30th November 2009 LHC sets new world record

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CERN was founded 1954: 12 European States

“Science for Peace”

Today: 21 Member States

~ 2300 staff

~ 1050 other paid personnel

> 11000 users

Budget (2012) ~1000 MCHF

Member States: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom

Candidate for Accession: Romania

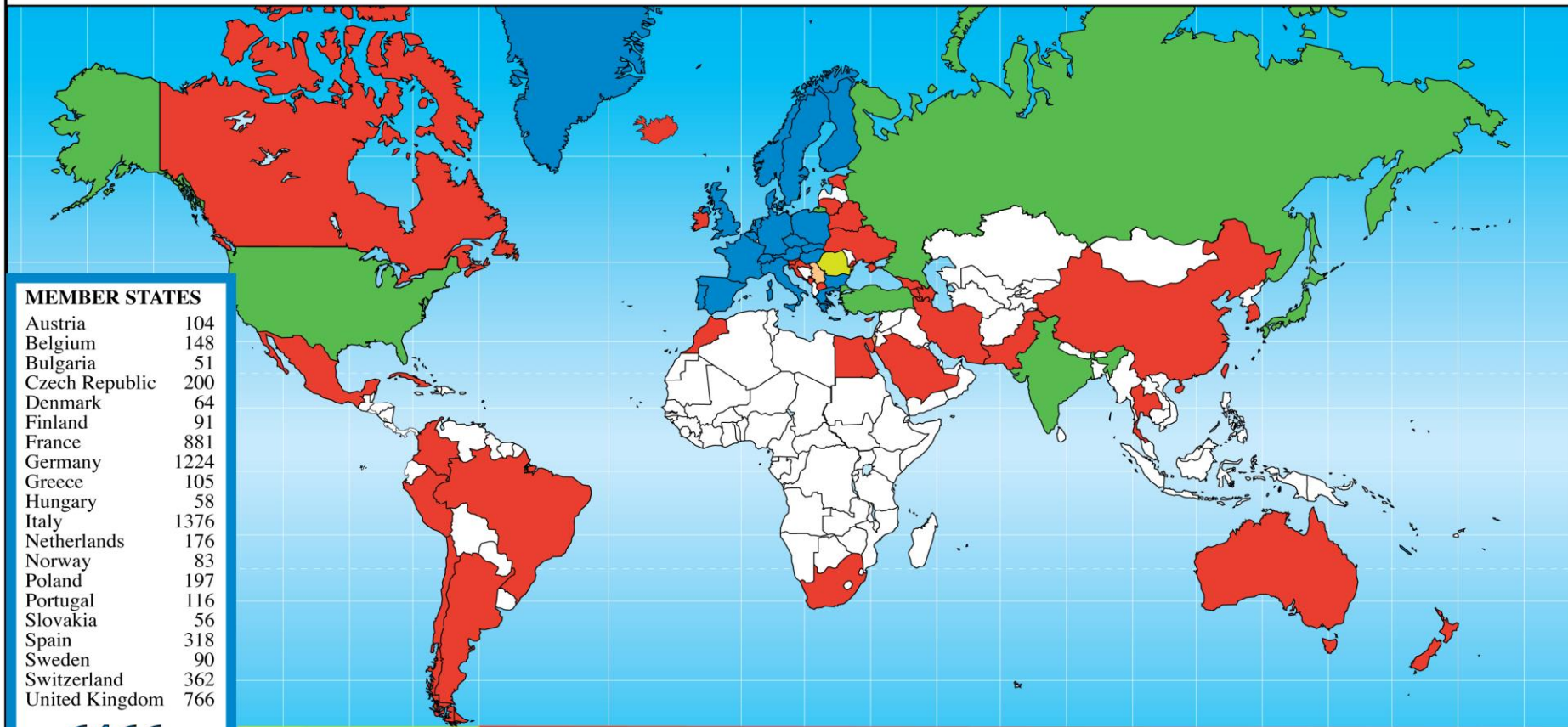
Associate Members in the Pre-Stage to Membership: Serbia

Applicant States: Cyprus, Slovenia, Turkey

Observers to Council: India, Japan, the Russian Federation, the United States of America, Turkey, the European Commission and UNESCO

Science is getting more and more global

Distribution of All CERN Users by Location of Institute on 2 September 2013



MEMBER STATES

Austria	104
Belgium	148
Bulgaria	51
Czech Republic	200
Denmark	64
Finland	91
France	881
Germany	1224
Greece	105
Hungary	58
Italy	1376
Netherlands	176
Norway	83
Poland	197
Portugal	116
Slovakia	56
Spain	318
Sweden	90
Switzerland	362
United Kingdom	766

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OBSERVERS

India	154
Japan	224
Russia	899
Turkey	106
USA	1787

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CANDIDATE FOR ACCESSION

Romania	82
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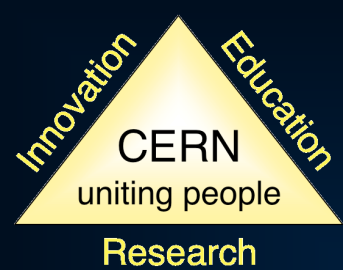
ASSOCIATE MEMBER IN THE PRE-STAGE TO MEMBERSHIP

Israel	57
Serbia	30

OTHERS

Chile	7	Georgia	10	New Zealand	6
China	130	Iceland	4	Pakistan	21
China (Taipei)	70	Iran	22	Peru	2
Colombia	11	Ireland	7	Saudi Arabia	3
Croatia	25	Korea	103	Slovenia	25
Azerbaijan	2	Lithuania	16	South Africa	31
Belarus	23	Mexico	40	Thailand	6
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Estonia	18				

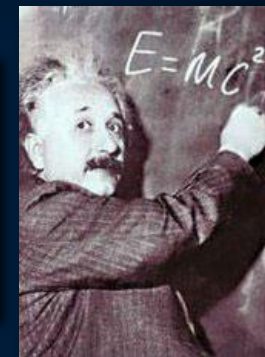
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The Mission of CERN

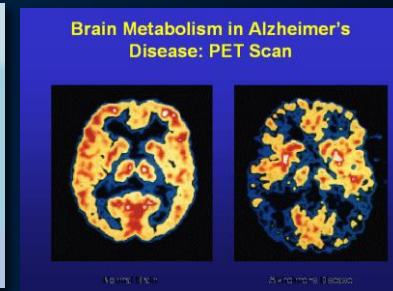
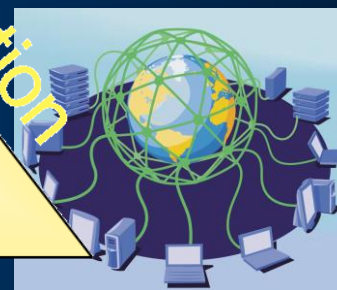
- **Push forward** the frontiers of knowledge

E.g. the secrets of the Big Bang: what was the matter like within the first moments of the universe's existence?

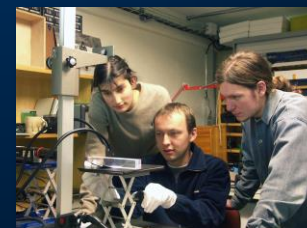


- **Develop** new technologies, accelerators and detectors

Information technology
Medicine - diagnosis and therapy



- **Train** scientists and engineers of tomorrow

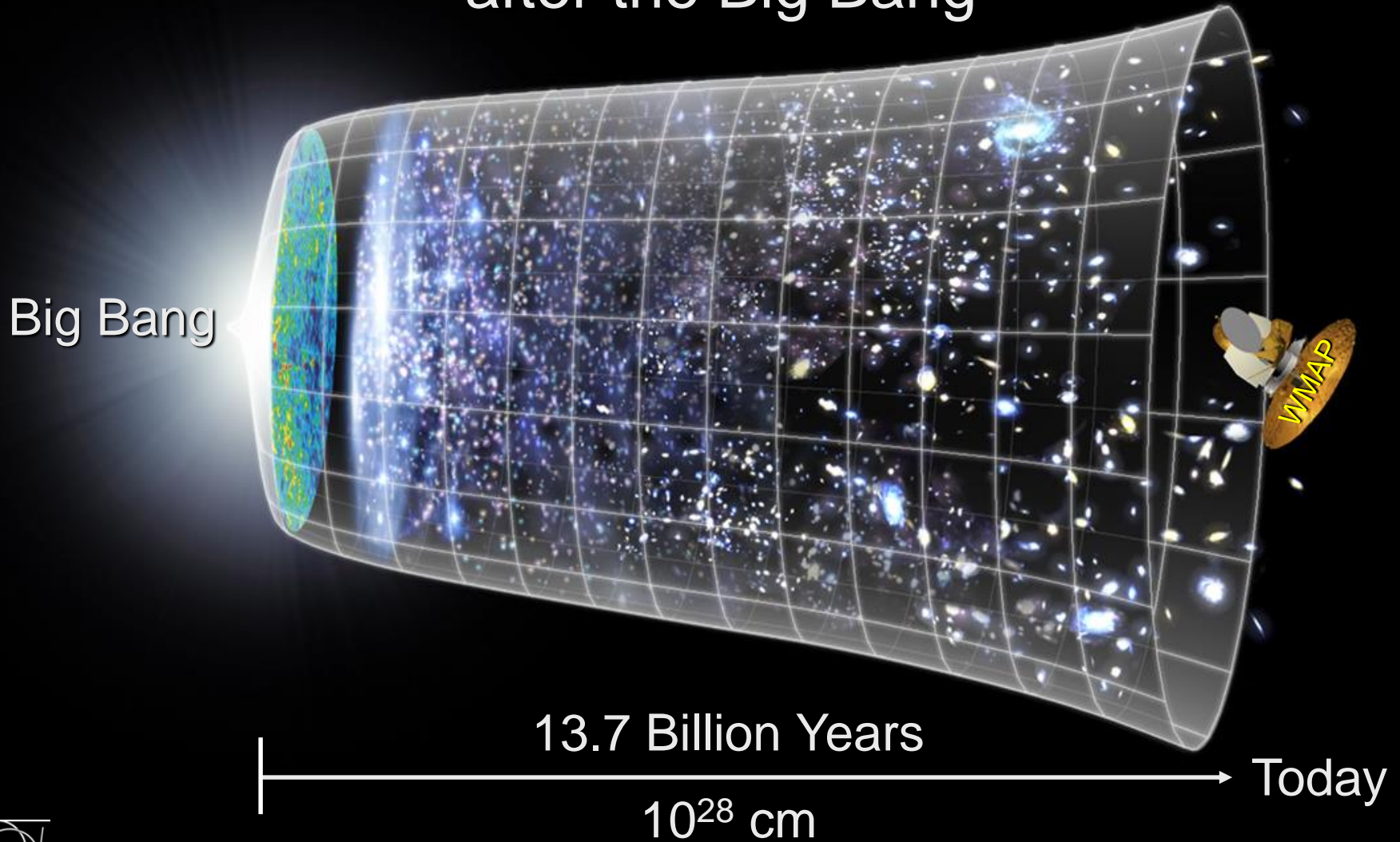


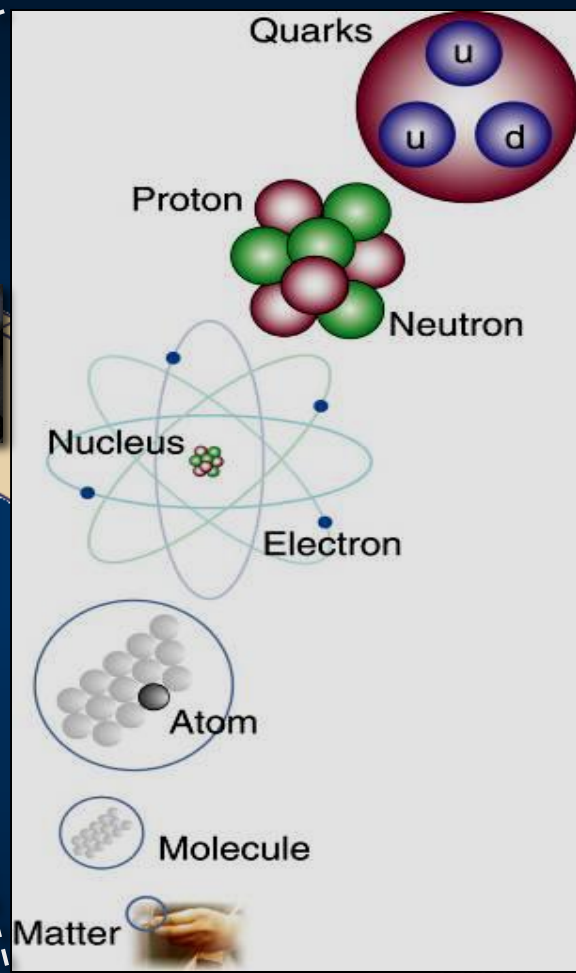
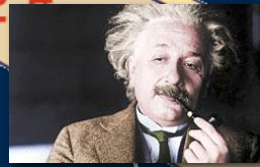
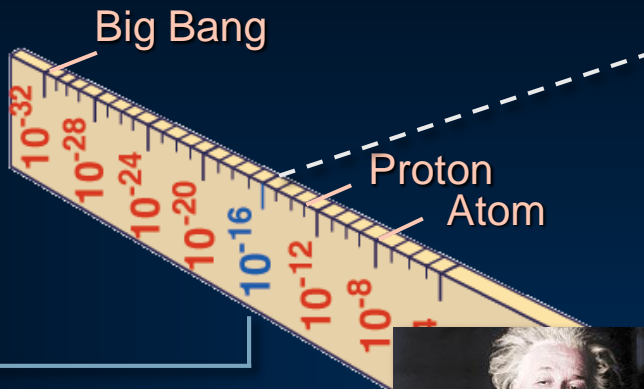
- **Unite** people from different countries and cultures



Next Scientific Challenge:

to understand the very first moments of our Universe
after the Big Bang





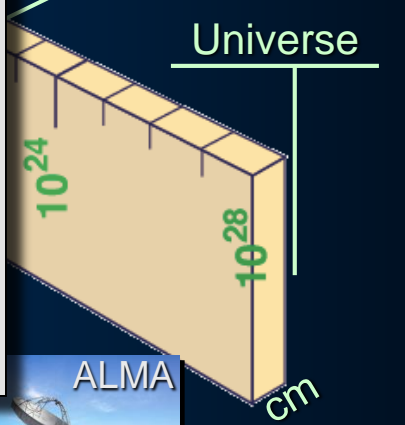
LHC

Super-Microscope



Study physics laws of first moments after Big Bang
 increasing Symbiosis between Particle Physics,
 Astrophysics and Cosmology

Radius of Galaxies



**“Where do we come from?
What are we?
Where are we going?”**



**The aim of particle physics, CERN & the LHC:
What is the Universe made of?**

The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

Proton- Proton Collider

4 TeV + 4 TeV



1,000,000,000 collisions/second

Total energy over 8,000 proton masses

Primary targets:

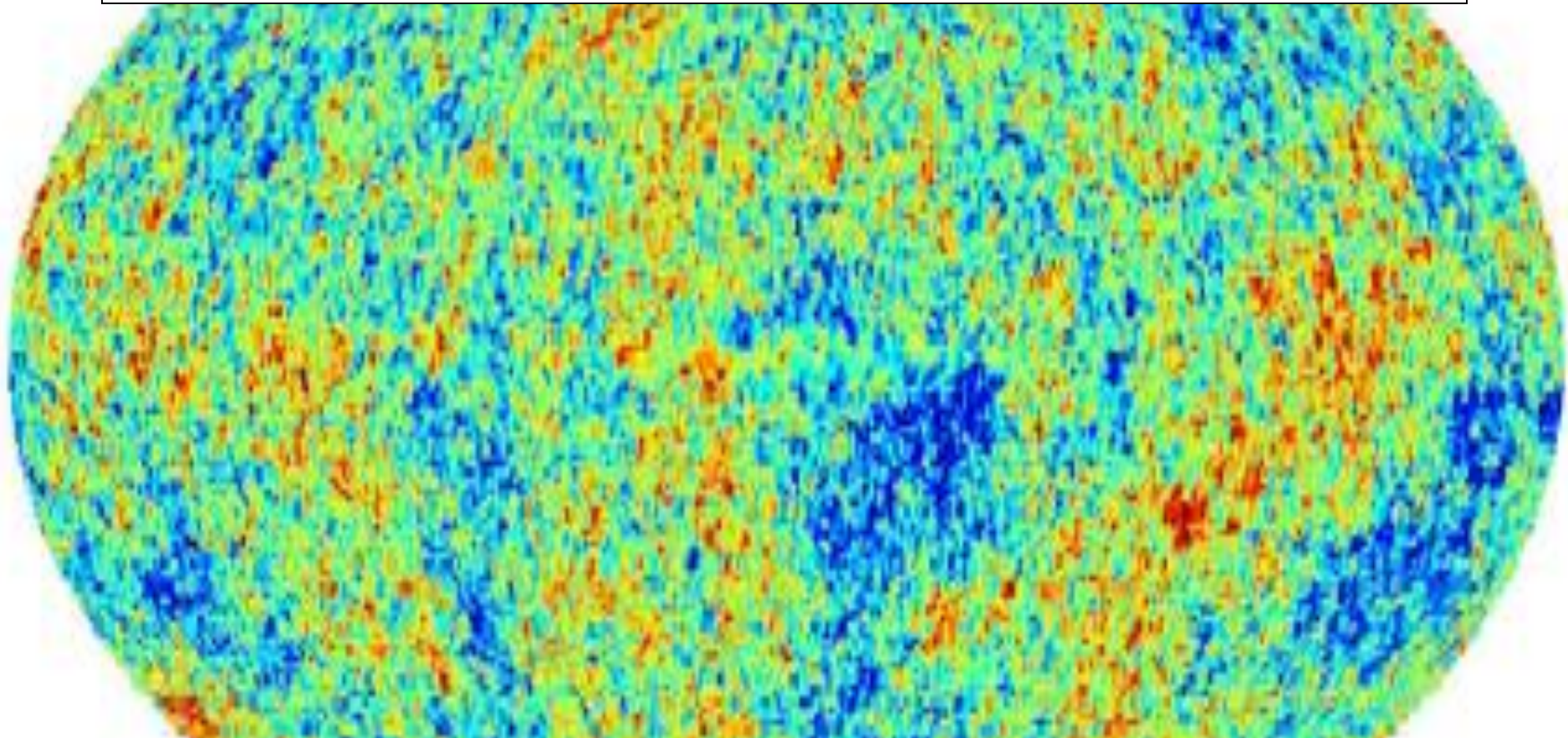
- Origin of mass
- Nature of Dark Matter
- Primordial Plasma
- Matter vs Antimatter

The Emptiest Space in the Solar System



**Vacuum similar to interplanetary space:
the pressure in the beam-pipes is ten
times lower than on the Moon.**

Colder than Outer Space

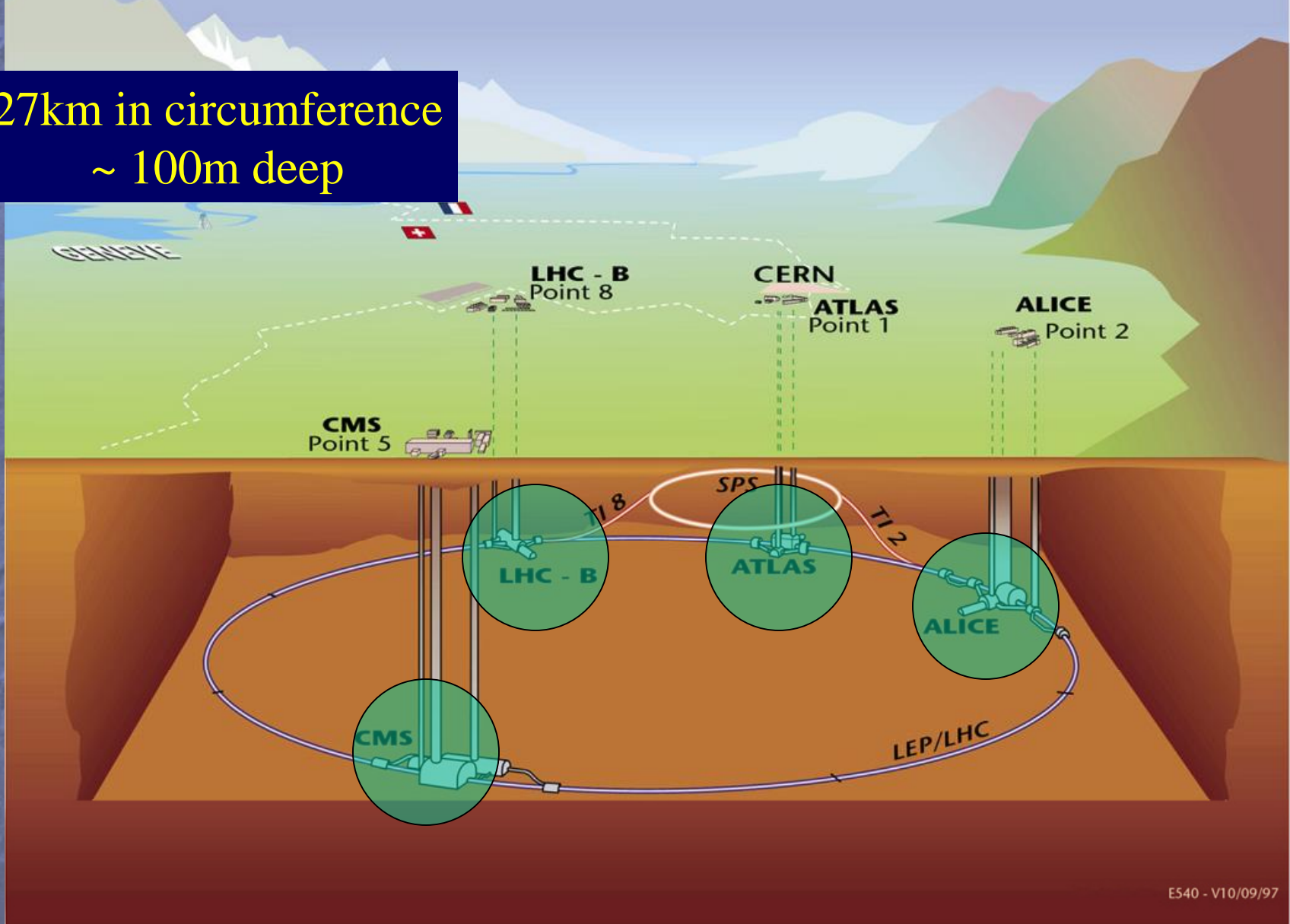


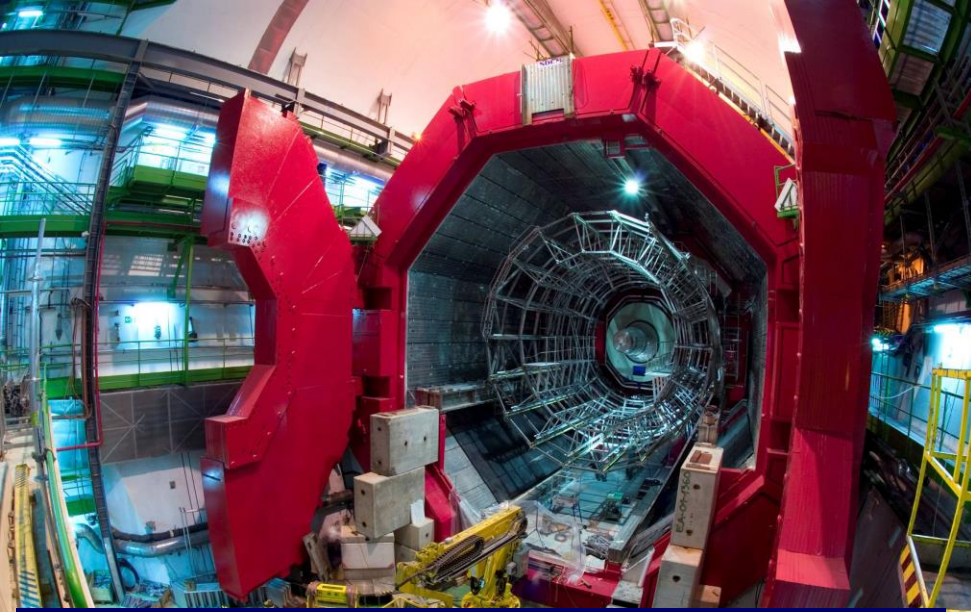
LHC 1.9 degrees above absolute zero = - 271 C

Outer space 2.7 degrees above zero = - 270 C

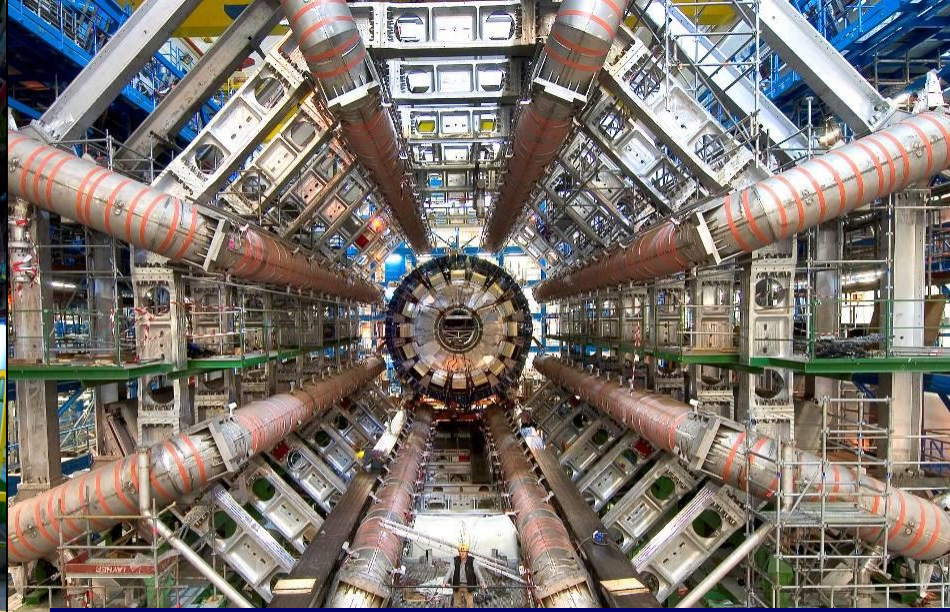
General View of LHC & its Experiments

27km in circumference
~ 100m deep

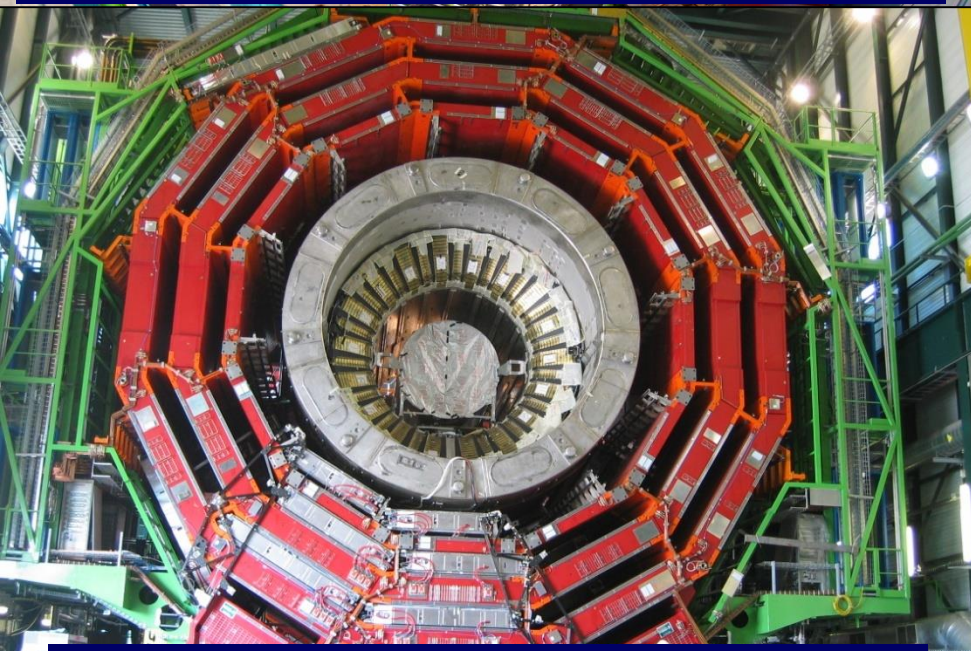




ALICE: Primordial cosmic plasma



ATLAS: Higgs and supersymmetry



CMS: Higgs and supersymmetry



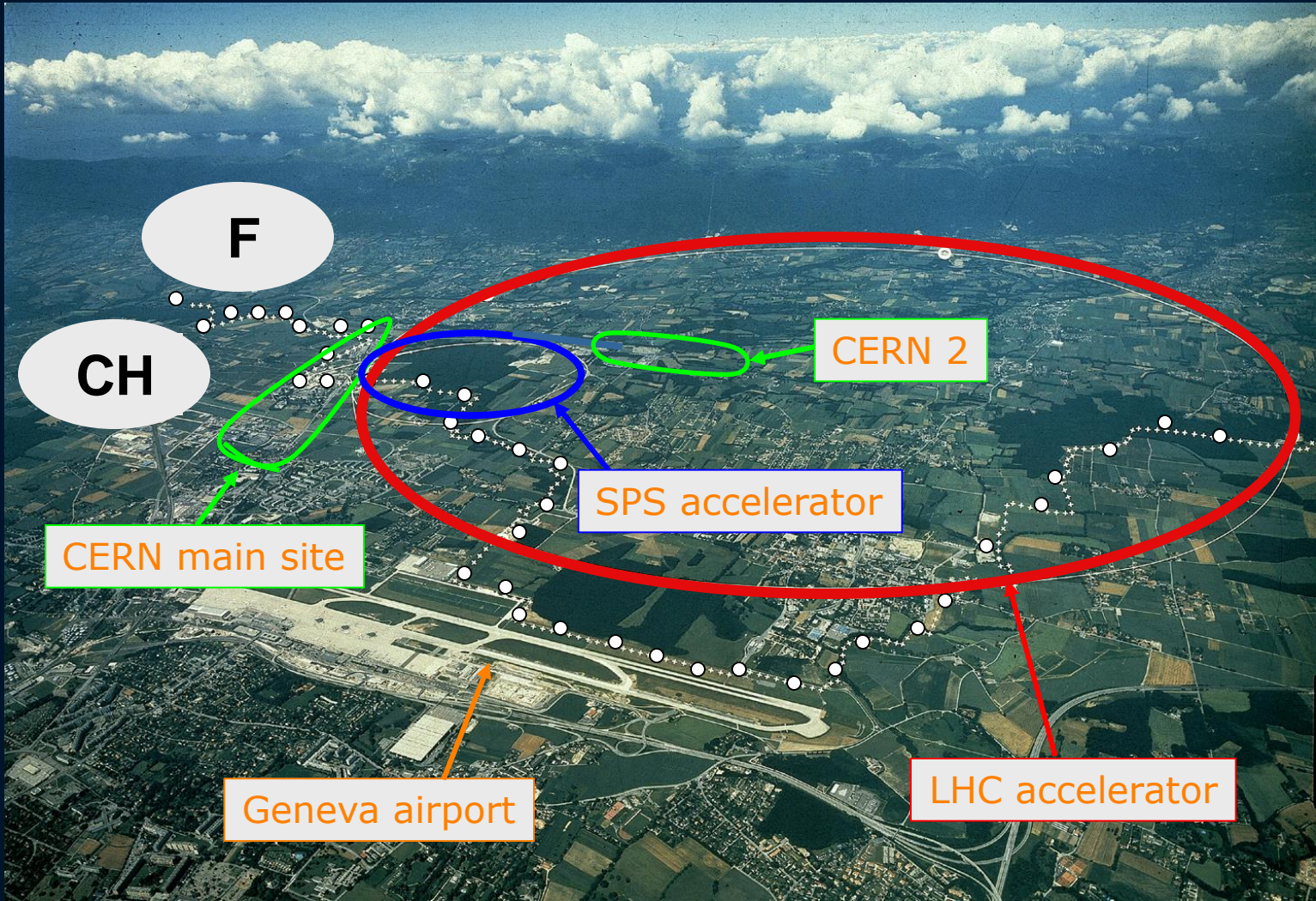
LHCb: Matter-antimatter difference



The Hottest Place in the Galaxy



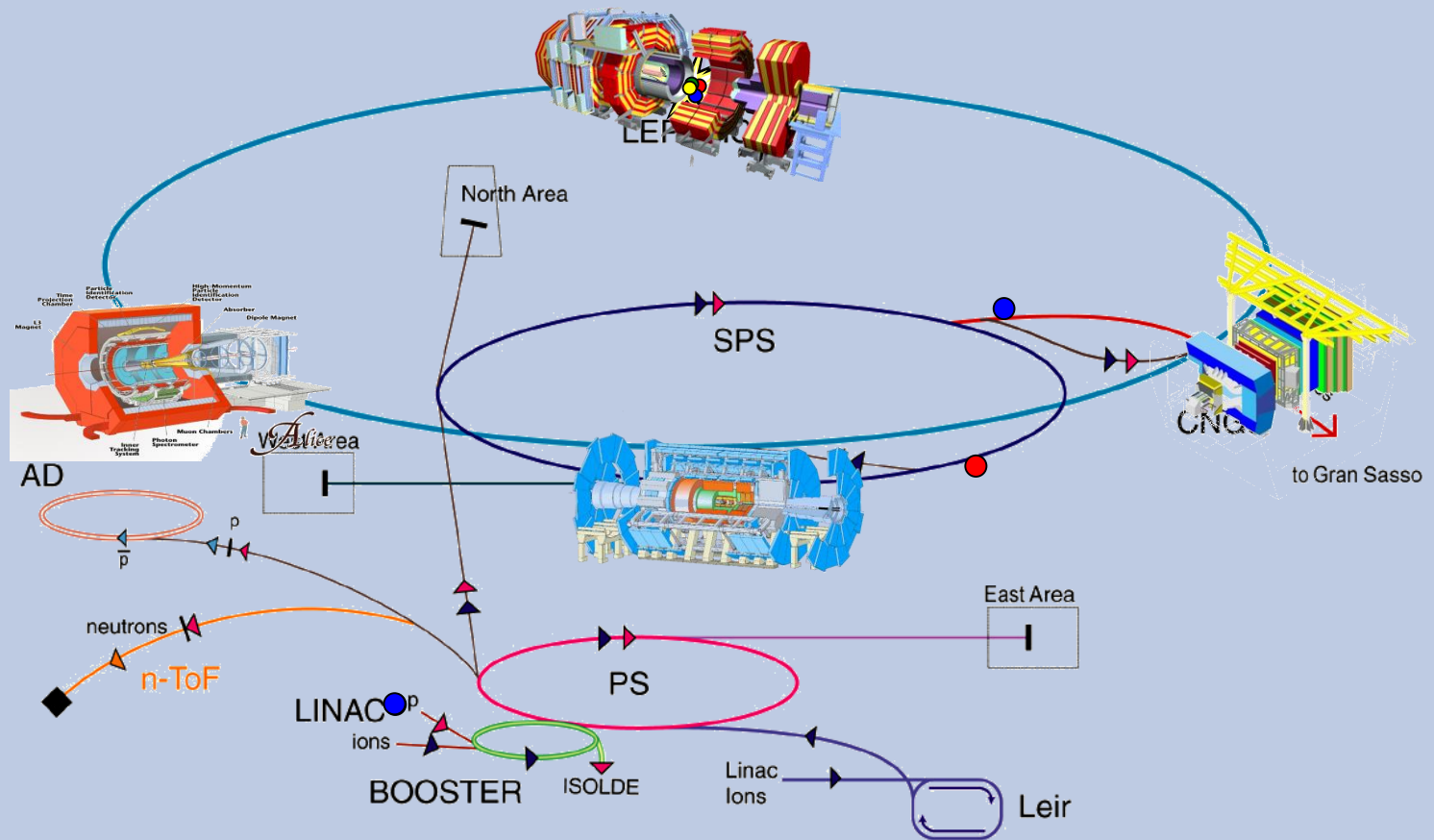
**Particle collisions create
(within a tiny volume)
temperatures a billion times higher than
in the heart of the Sun**



Large Hadron Collider

Collision of proton beams...

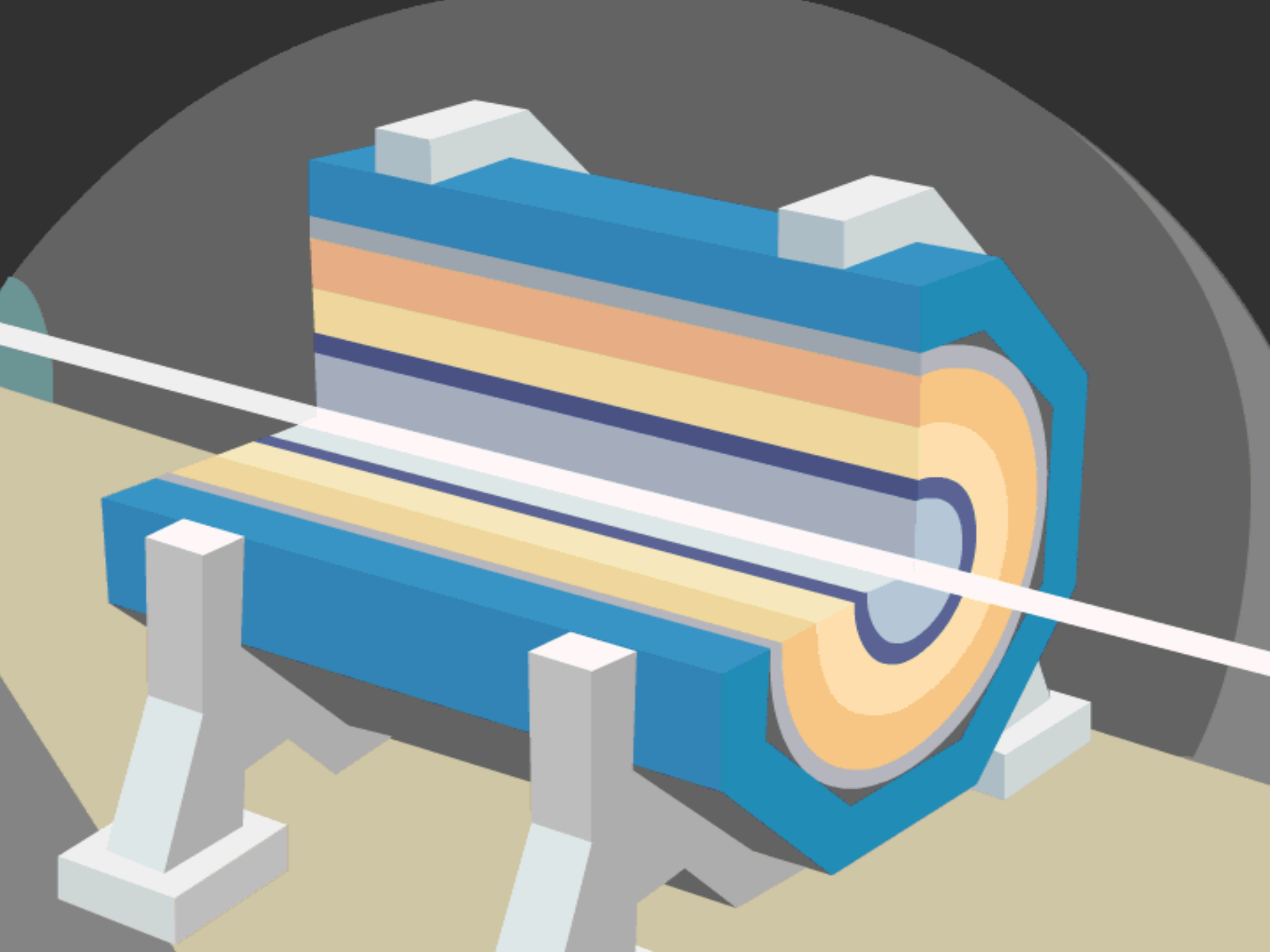
...observed in giant detectors



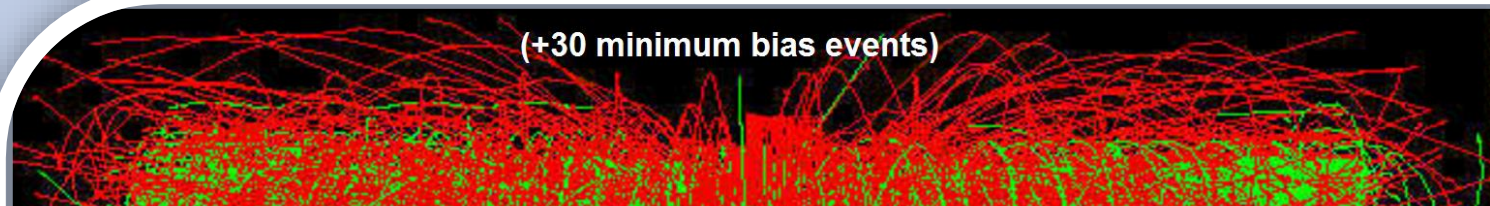
- ▶ p (proton)
- ▶ ion
- ▶ neutron
- ▶ \bar{p} (antiproton)
- ▶ $\bar{\nu}$ proton/antiproton conversion
- ▶ neutrino

- AD Antiproton Decelerator
- PS Proton Synchrotron
- SPS Super Proton Synchrotron

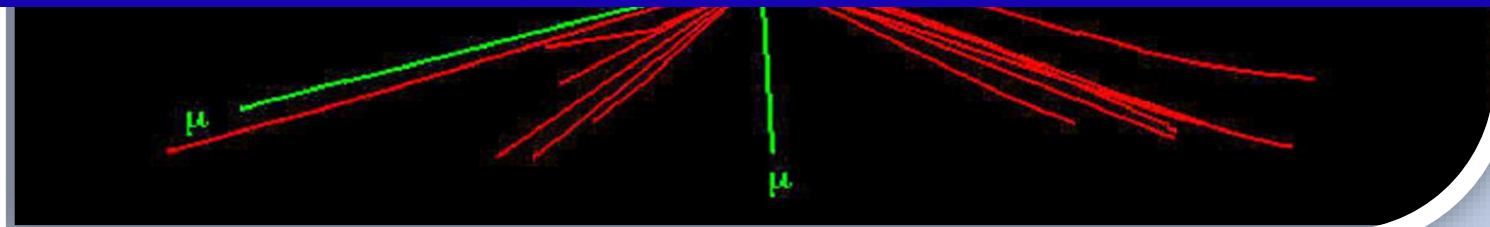
- LHC Large Hadron Collider
- n-ToF Neutron Time of Flight
- CNGS CERN Neutrinos to Gran Sasso



❑ Searching for new particles requires selection and analysis of enormous quantity of data from LHC detectors



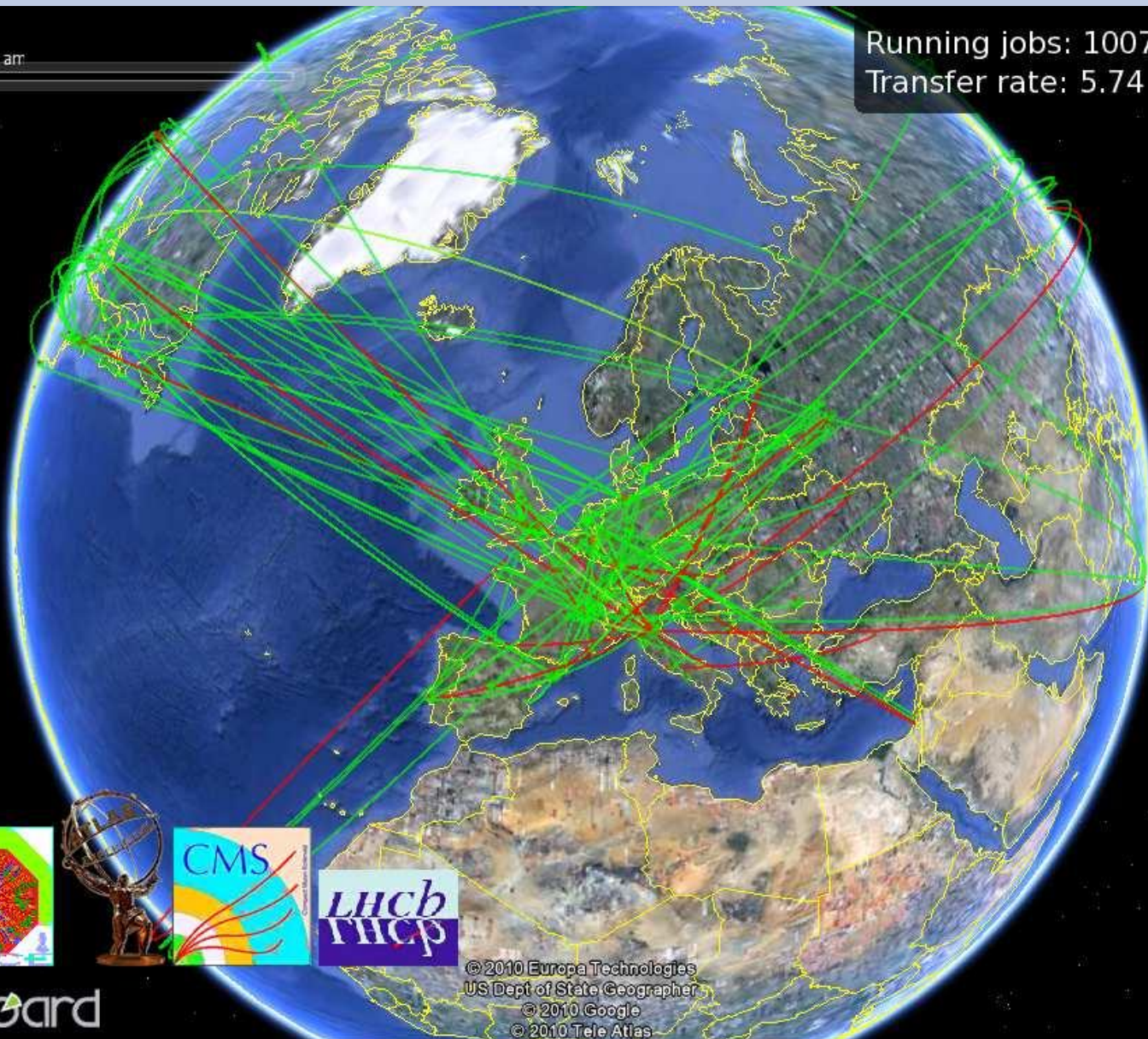
- LHC experiments produce **10-15 million Gigabytes** of data each year (about 20 million CDs!)
- LHC data analysis requires a computing power equivalent to **~100,000 of today's fastest PC processors.**



LCG-LHC Computing GRID

Oct 6, 2010 7:20:00 am

Running jobs: 100767.0
Transfer rate: 5.74 GiB/sec



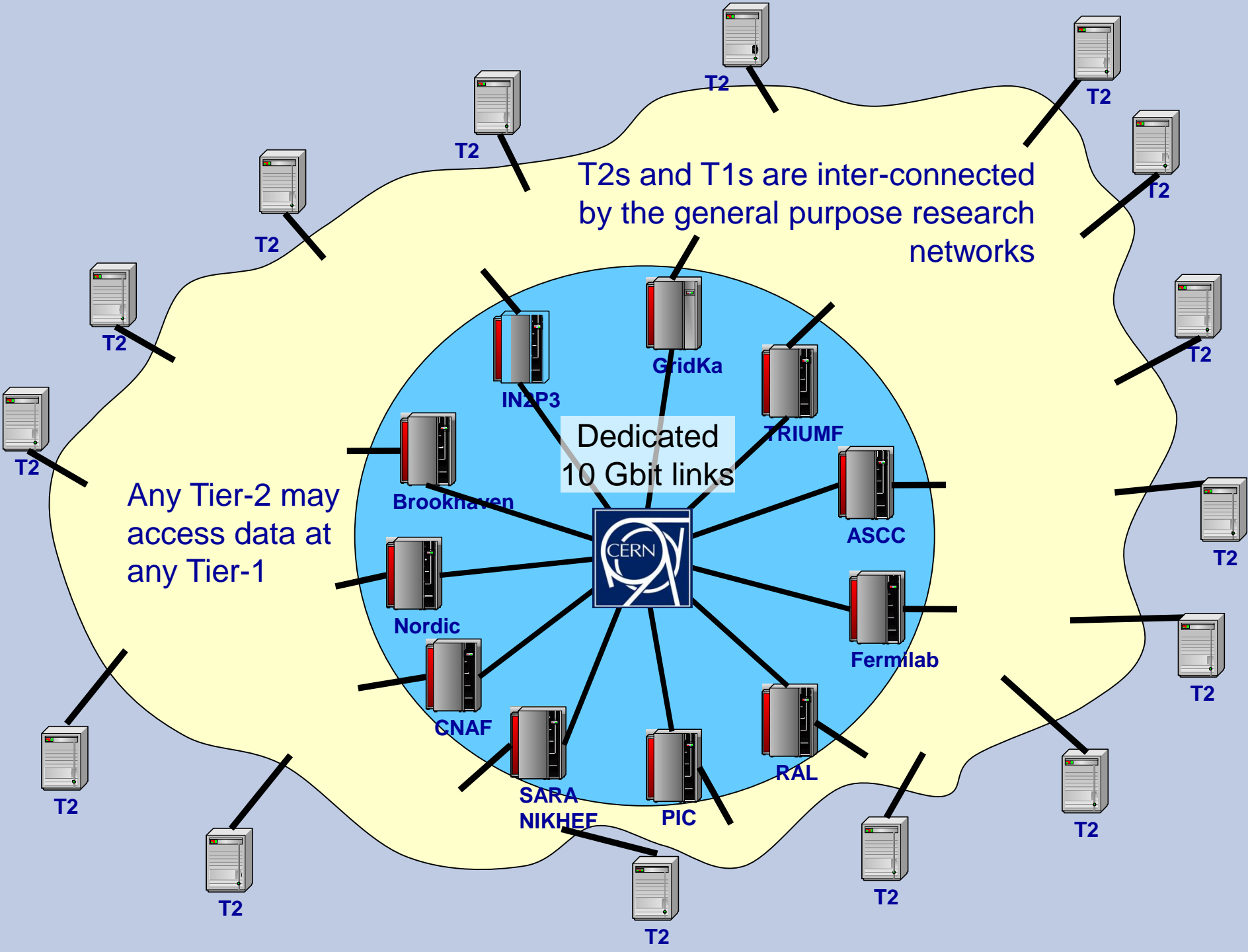
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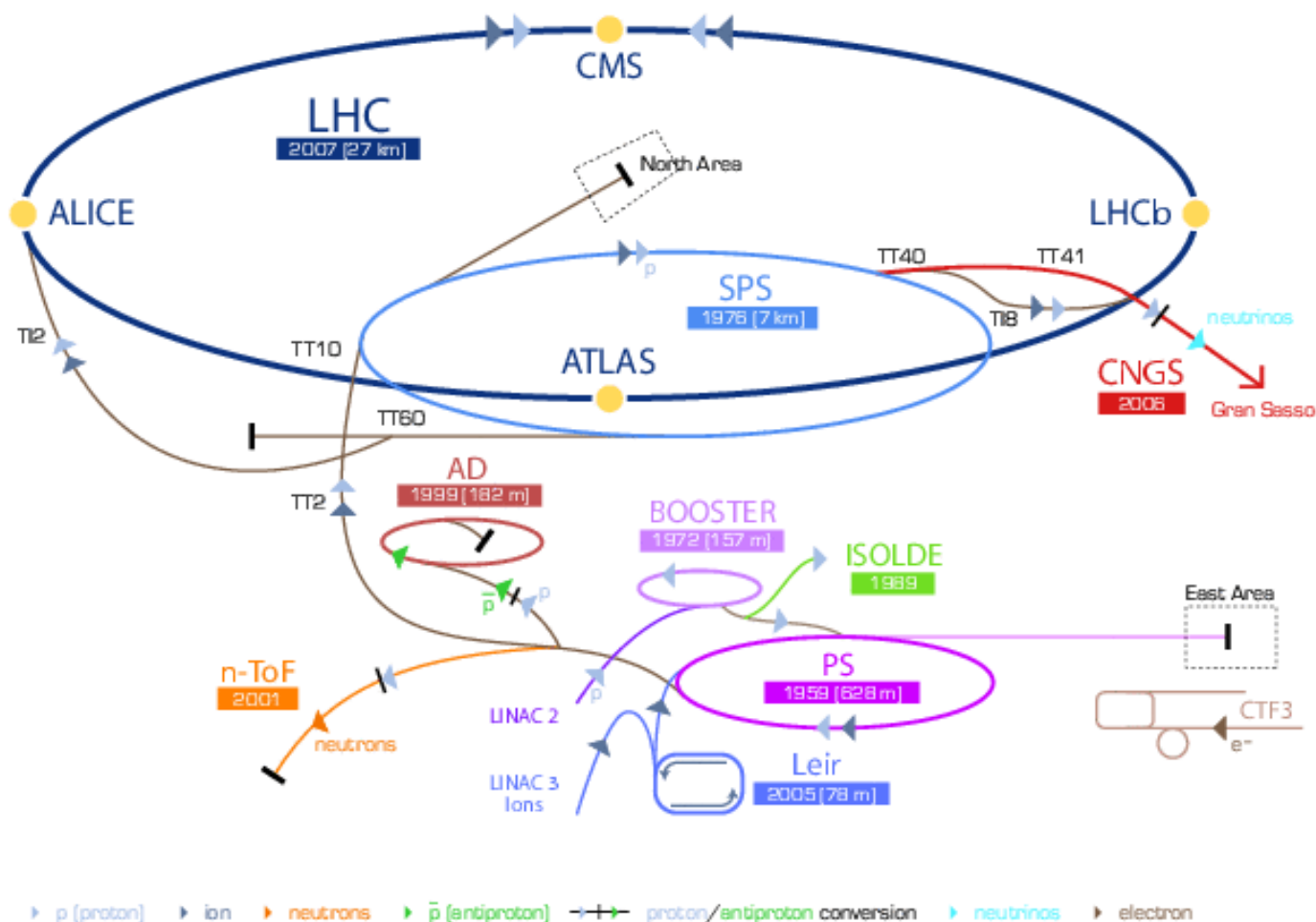
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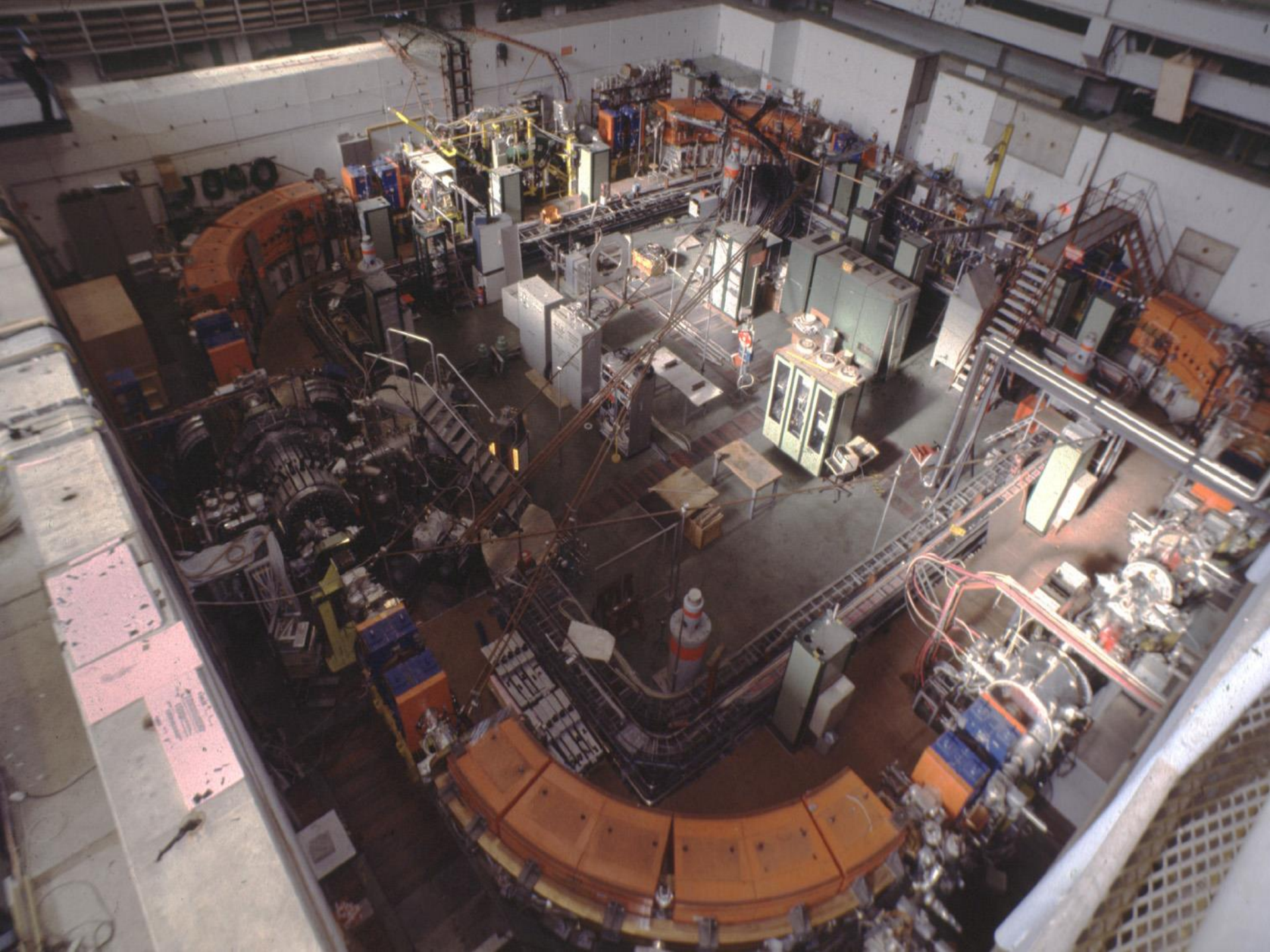
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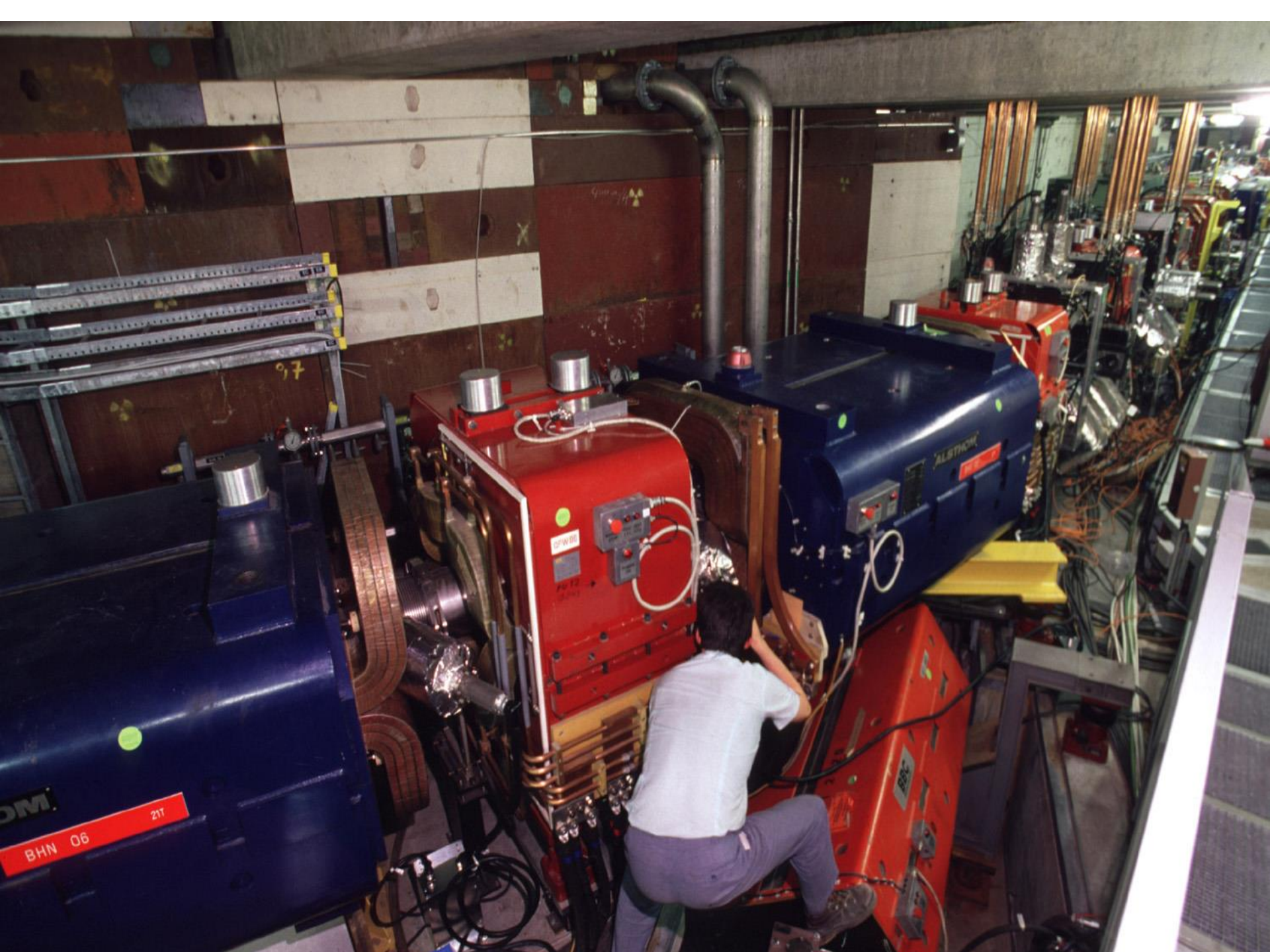
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CERN – world biggest accelerator complex





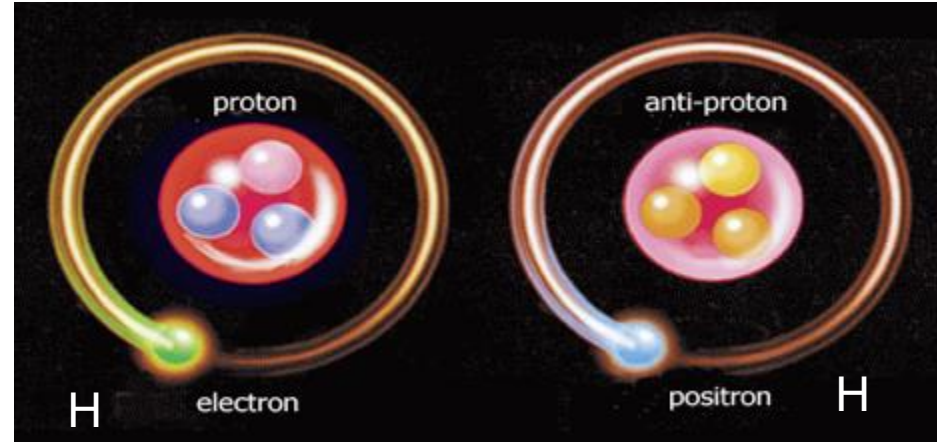


Antimatter Physics

Matter-Antimatter comparison

Very fundamental in our theory of physics

$$m = \bar{m} \quad g = \bar{g}$$



ASACUSA
ATRAP
ALPHA

Trapping \bar{H} in a magnetic bottle

AEGIS

Look at \bar{H} free fall
Galileo's experiment for antimatter !

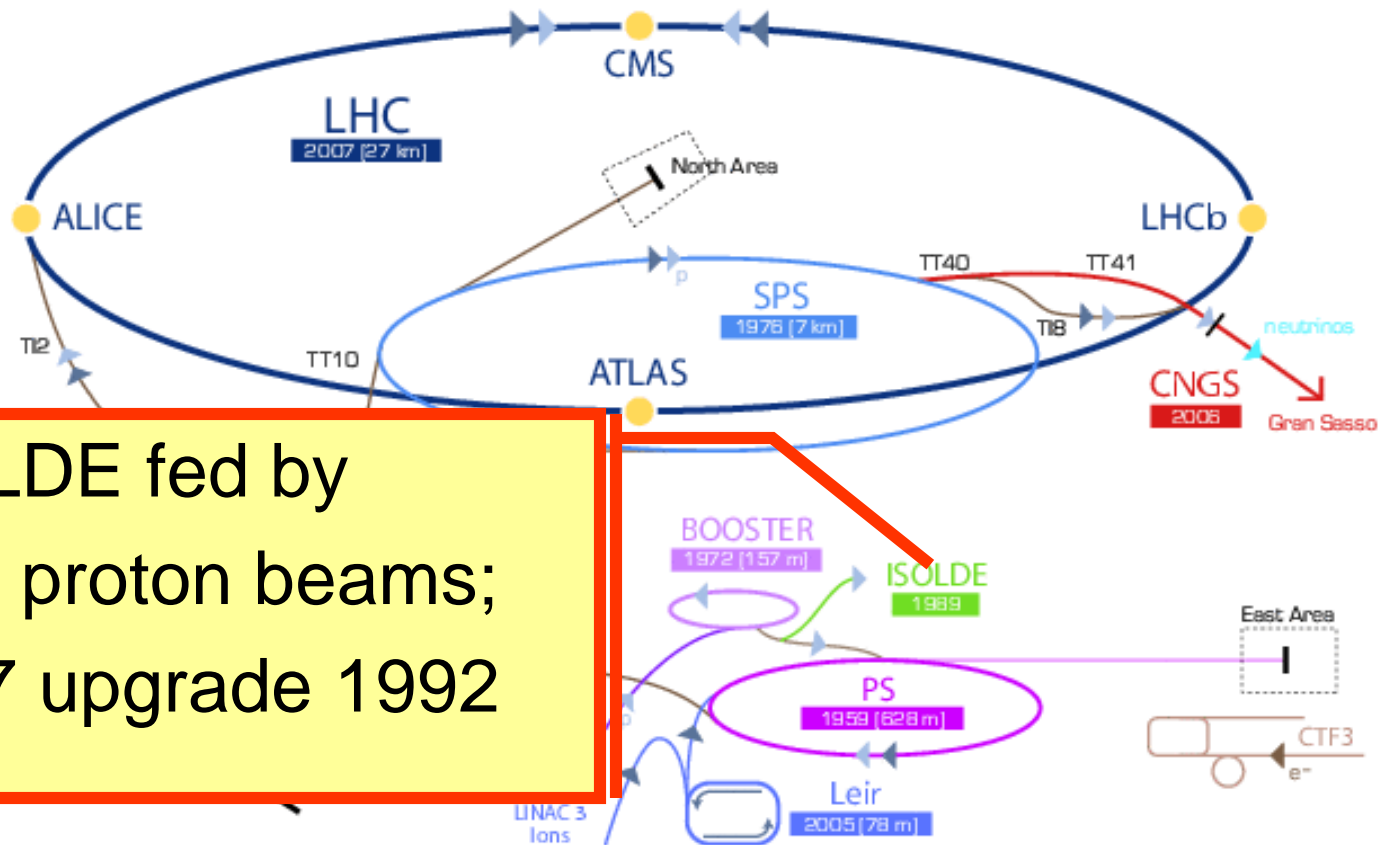


ACE

Biological effect of \bar{p}
Possible use for cancer therapy



CERN accelerator complex, working not only for LHC

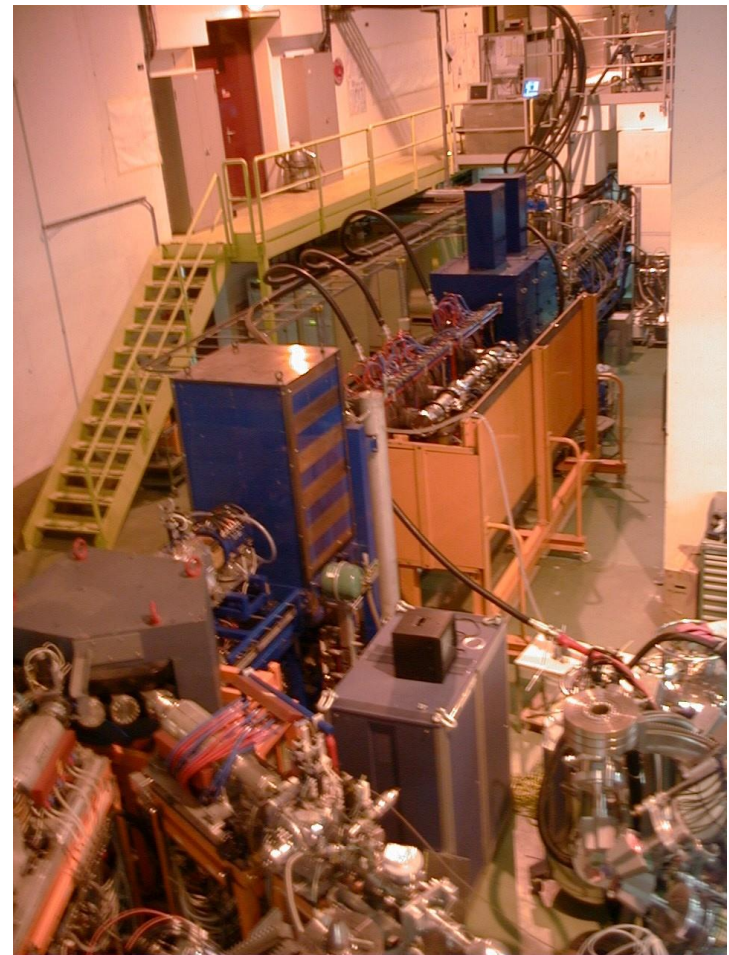


▶ p (proton) ▶ ion ▶ neutrons ▶ \bar{p} (antiproton) ▶ \leftrightarrow proton/antiproton conversion ▶ neutrinos ▶ electron

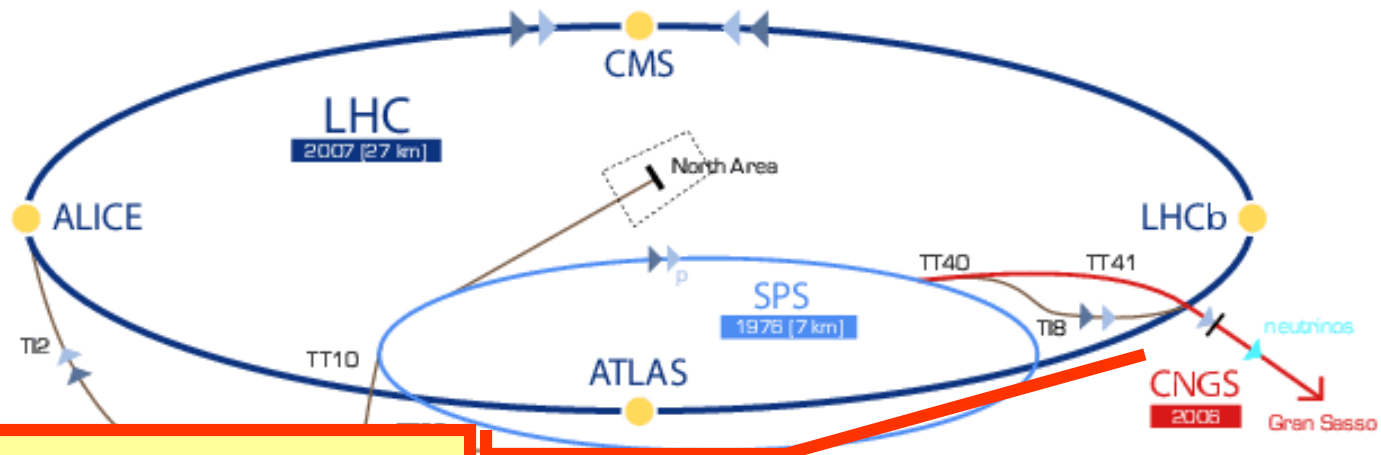
ISOLDE - Isotope Separator On Line, and Radioactive beam EXperiment (REX)

An alchemical factory for nuclear physics

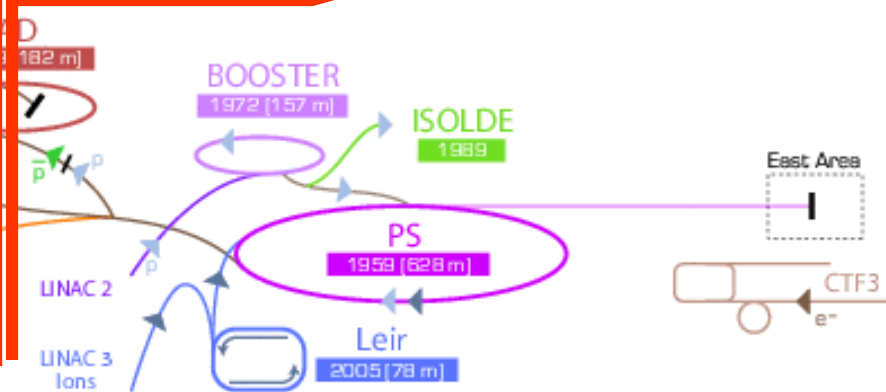
Low-energy beams of radioactive isotopes - atomic nuclei. The facility, located at the Proton-Synchrotron Booster (PSB), is like a small alchemical factory, changing one element to another. It produces a total of more than 1000 different isotopes for a wide range of research.



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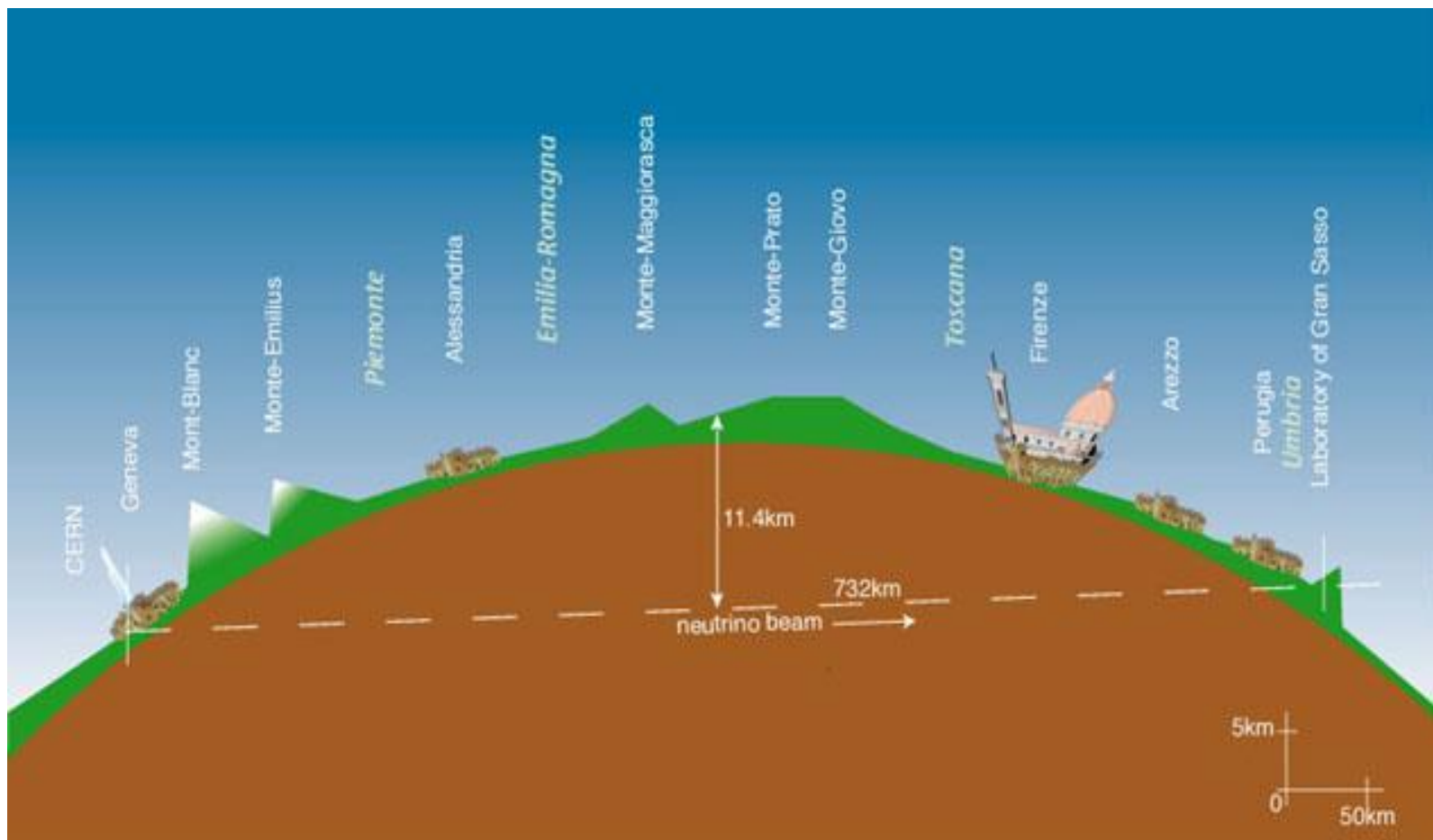
CNGS fed by
SPS proton beams



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CNGS – CERN Neutrino to Gran Sasso experiment - investigation of the nature of neutrinos

CERN sends muon neutrinos to the Gran Sasso National Laboratory (LNGS), 732 km away in Italy. There, two experiments, OPERA and ICARUS, wait to find out if any of the muon neutrinos have transformed into tau neutrinos. To create the neutrino beam, a proton beam from the [Super Proton Synchrotron](#) (SPS) is used.



Study effect of cosmic rays on clouds formation
(cosmic rays “simulated “ by T11 beam, clouds
created in a large climatic chamber





CERN: Particle Physics and Innovation

- **Interfacing** between fundamental science and key technological developments



- **CERN Technologies and Innovation**



Accelerating particle beams



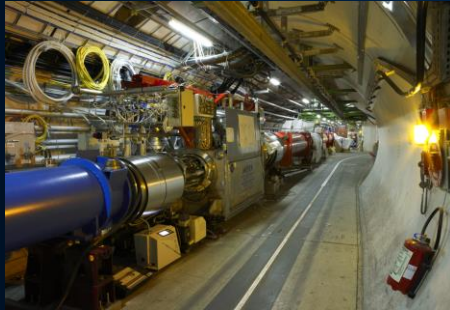
Detecting particles



Large-scale computing (Grid)

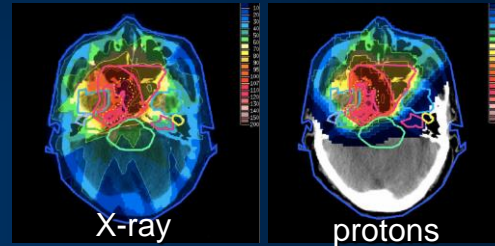
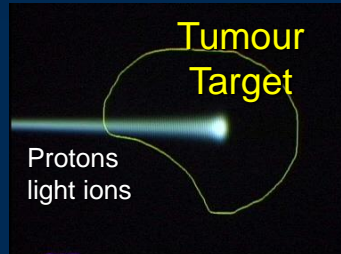
Medical Application as an Example of Particle Physics Spin-off

Combining Physics, ICT, Biology and Medicine to fight cancer



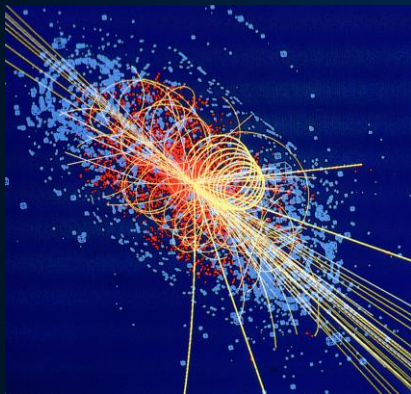
Hadron Therapy

Accelerating particle beams
~30'000 accelerators worldwide
~17'000 used for medicine



Leadership in Ion Beam Therapy now in Europe and Japan

>70'000 patients treated worldwide (30 facilities)
>21'000 patients treated in Europe (9 facilities)

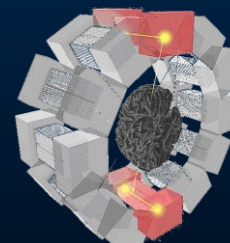


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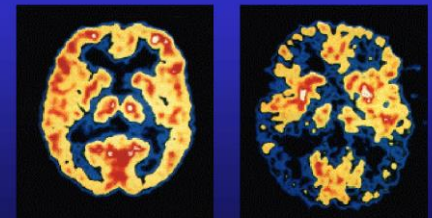
Clinical trial in Portugal for new breast imaging system (ClearPEM)



PET Scanner



Brain Metabolism in Alzheimer's Disease: PET Scan



Normal Brain Alzheimer's Disease



Detecting particles

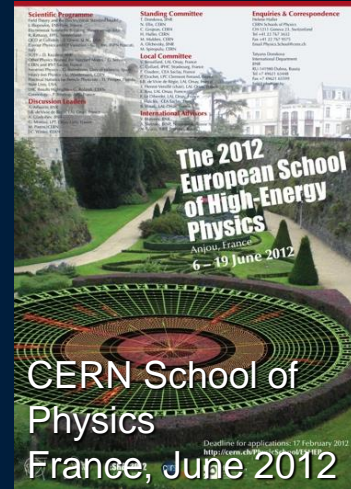
CERN Education Activities

Scientists at CERN
Academic Training Programme



Young Researchers

CERN School of High Energy Physics
CERN School of Computing
CERN Accelerator School



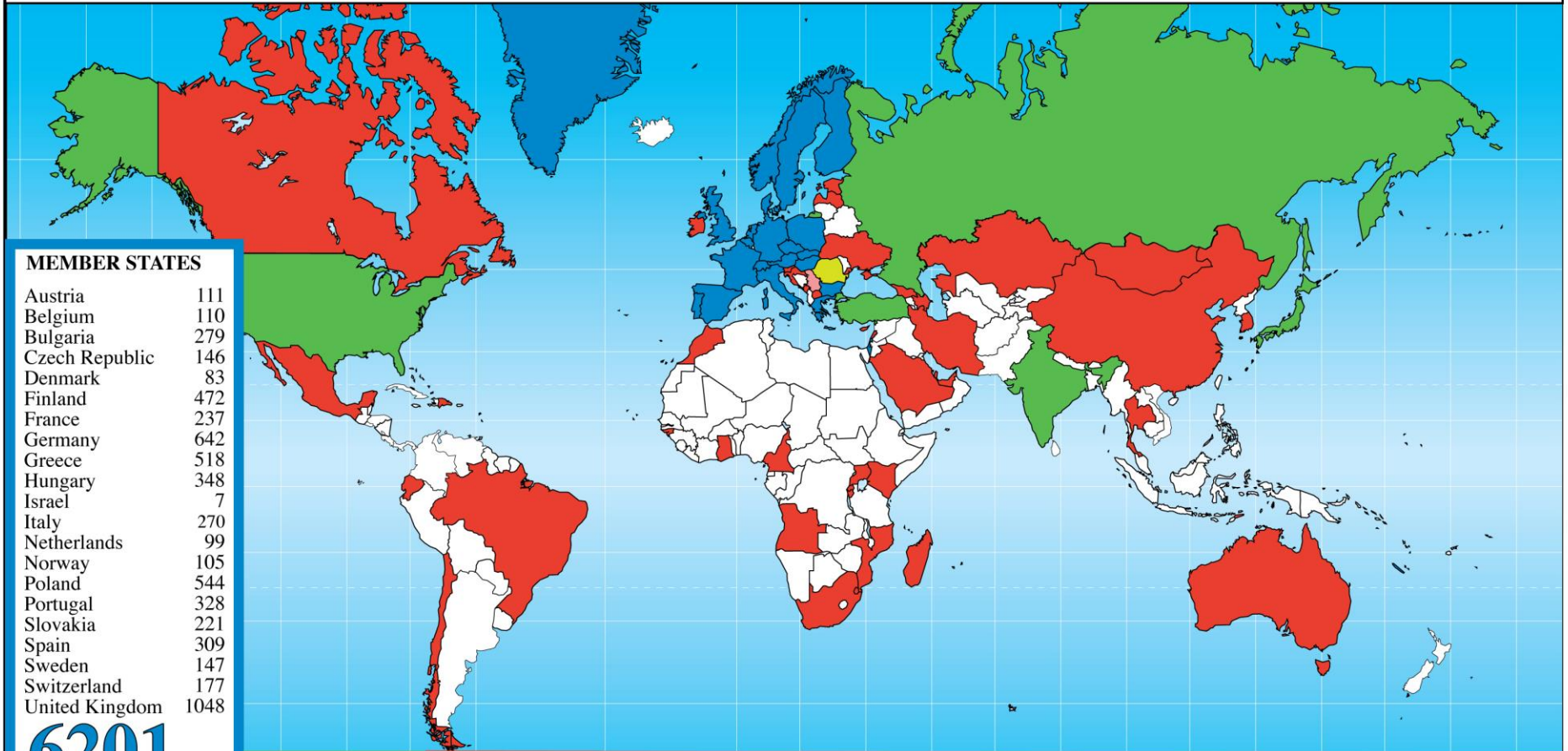
CERN School of Physics
France, June 2012

Physics Students
Summer Students Programme



CERN Teacher Schools
International and National Programmes

Teacher Programme Participants 1998 - 2013 (Total: 7087)



MEMBER STATES

Austria	111
Belgium	110
Bulgaria	279
Czech Republic	146
Denmark	83
Finland	472
France	237
Germany	642
Greece	518
Hungary	348
Israel	7
Italy	270
Netherlands	99
Norway	105
Poland	544
Portugal	328
Slovakia	221
Spain	309
Sweden	147
Switzerland	177
United Kingdom	1048

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OBSERVER STATES

India	2
Japan	5
Russia	193
Turkey	3
USA	65

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OTHERS

Angola	4
Australia	5
Azerbaijan	1
Brazil	114
Burundi	1
Cameroon	3
Canada	3
Cape Verde	3
Chile	3

China	1
Croatia	1
Cyprus	8
Dominican Rep.	21
Ecuador	2
Estonia	46
Georgia	74
Ghana	6
Guinea Bissau	1
Iran	1
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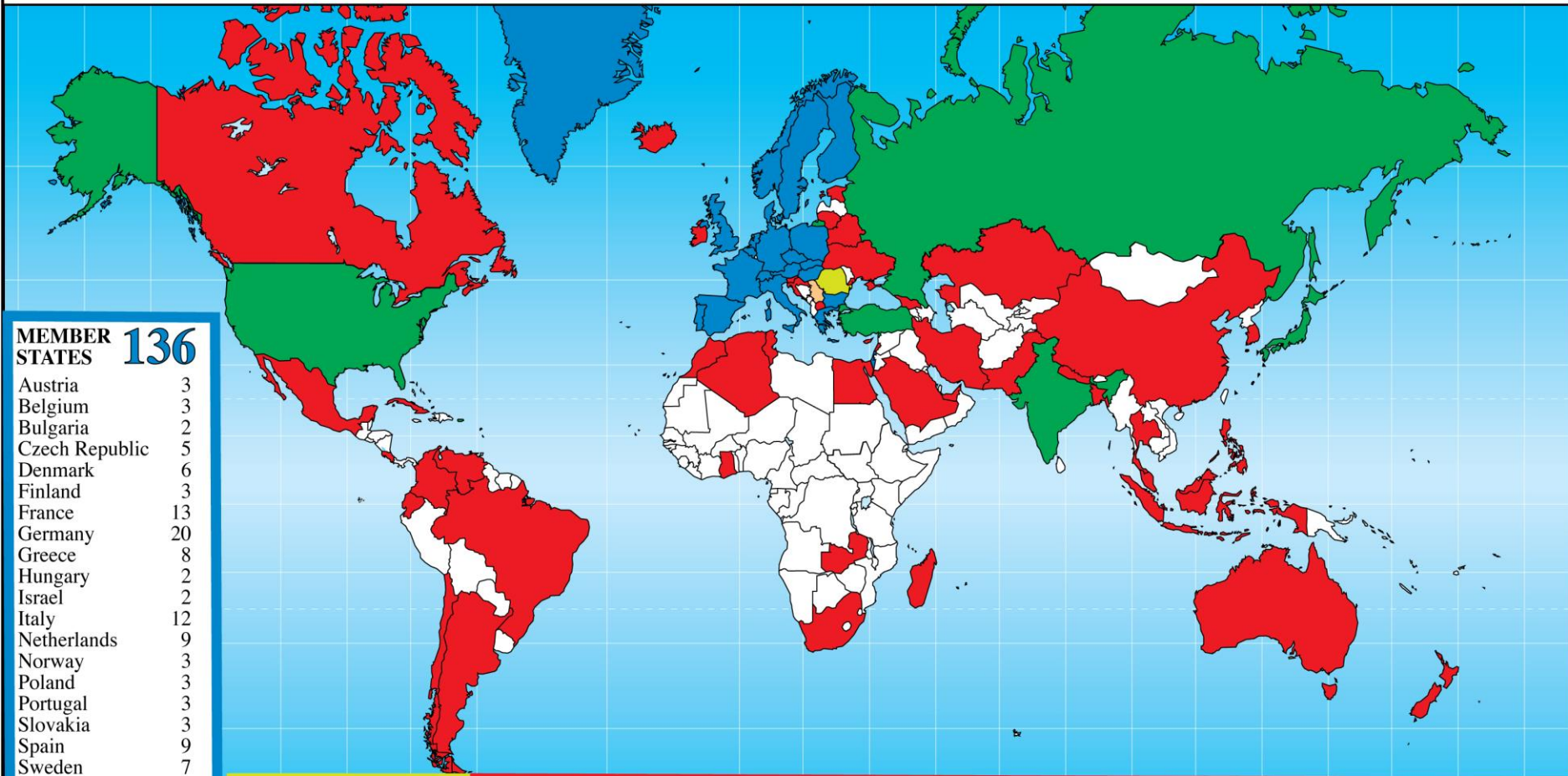
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Swaziland	1
Thailand	7
T.F.Y.R.O.M.	11
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Uganda	3
Ukraine	77
U.A.E.	1

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Summer Students 2013



MEMBER STATES 136

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Belgium	3
Bulgaria	2
Czech Republic	5
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Argentina	1	Colombia	1	Georgia	1	Lebanon	1	Pakistan	4	Ukraine	2
Australia	1	Comoros	1	Ghana	1	Lithuania	2	Palestine	1	U.A.E.	2
Bangladesh	1	Costa Rica	1	Hong Kong	4	Madagascar	1	Philippines	1	Venezuela	1
Belarus	1	Croatia	3	Iceland	1	Malaysia	3	Saudi Arabia	1	Zambia	1
Benin	1	Cuba	1	Indonesia	3	Malta	3	Slovenia	1		
Brazil	1	Cyprus	2	Iran	2	Mexico	2	South Africa	2		
Canada	5	Ecuador	3	Ireland	1	Morocco	2	Thailand	2		
Chile	1	Egypt	4	Kazakhstan	1	Nepal	1	T.F.Y.R.O.M.	2		

Summer Students 2012



Personnel



Workforce

- **Physicists**
 - **Experimental**
 - **Theoretical**
- **Applied Physicists and Engineers**
- **Technicians**
- **Craftsmen**
- **Administrative personnel**
- **Fellows**
- **Doctoral Students**
- **Technical Students**
- **Associates**
- **Summer Students**
- **Employees of CERN**
- **Users**

30th November 2009 LHC sets new world record

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What next ?



OPERA experiment invites scrutiny of unexpected results

ATLAS and CMS experiments present Higgs search status

13 December 2011. In a seminar held at CERN¹ today, the ATLAS² and CMS³ experiments presented the status of their searches for the Standard Model Higgs boson.

Their results are based on the analysis of considerably more data than those presented at the summer conferences, sufficient to make significant progress in the search for the Higgs boson, but not enough to make any conclusive statement on the existence or non-existence of the elusive Higgs.

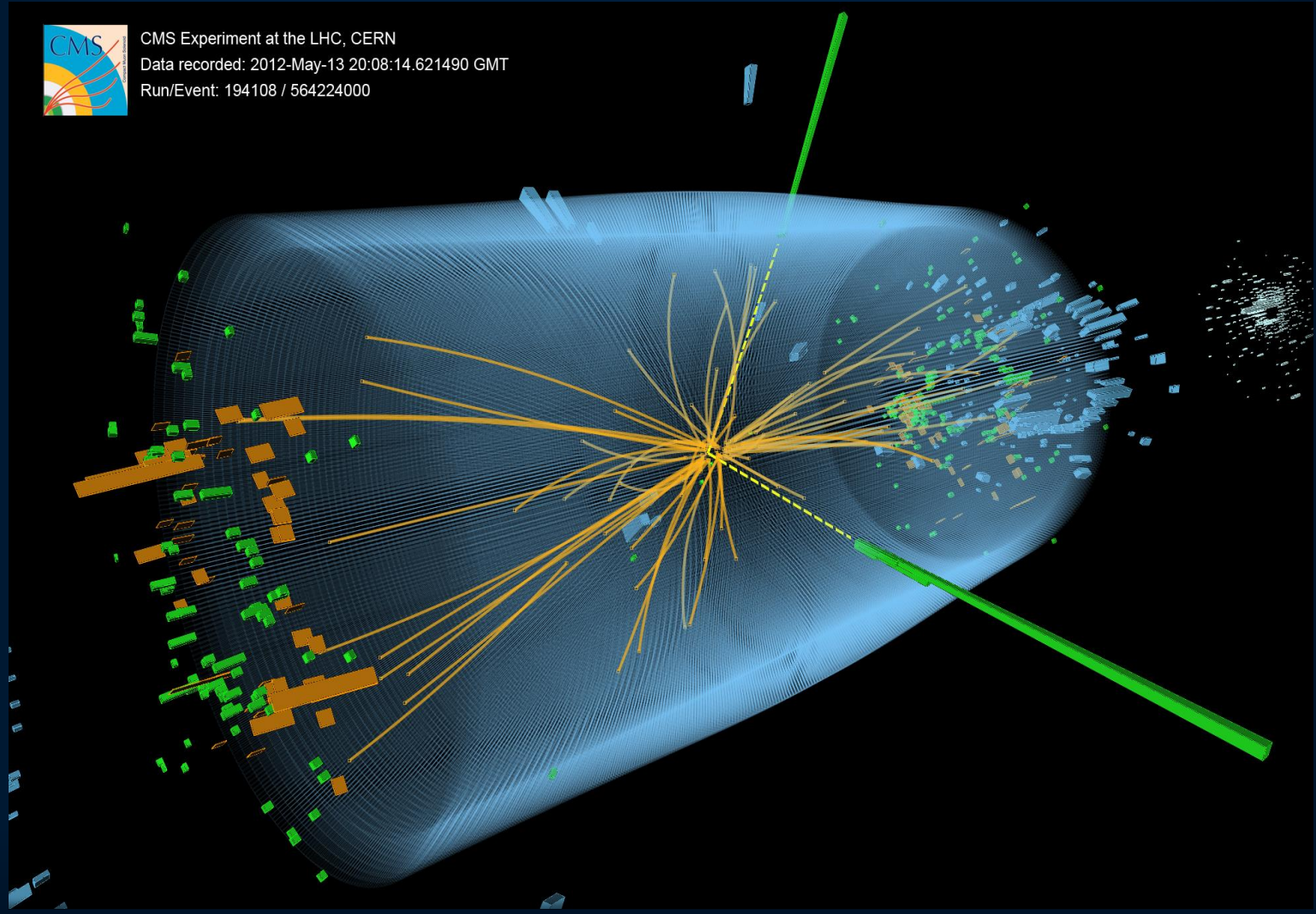
The main conclusion is that the Standard Model Higgs boson, if it exists, is most likely to have a mass constrained to the range 116-130 GeV by the ATLAS experiment, and 115-127 GeV by CMS.

Tantalising hints have been seen by both experiments in this mass region, but these are not yet strong enough to claim a discovery.



4 July 2012: CERN press conference

“CERN experiments observe particle consistent with long-sought Higgs boson”





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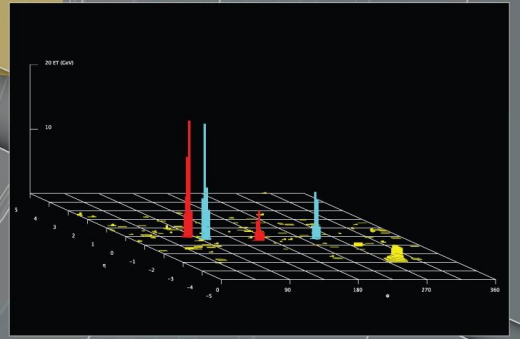
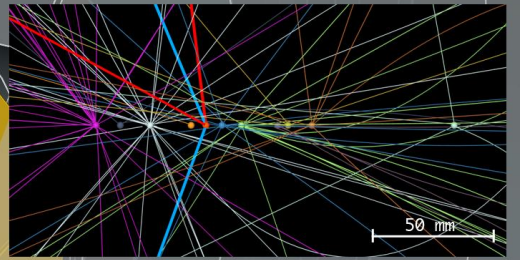
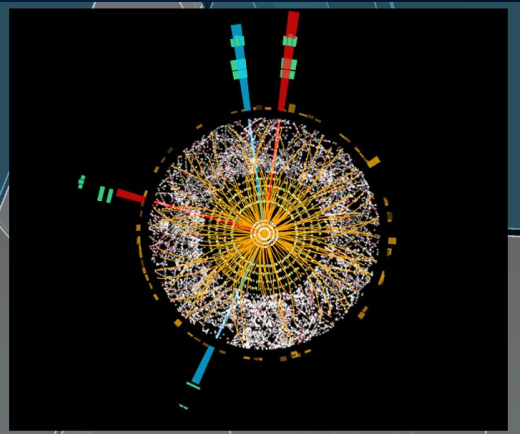
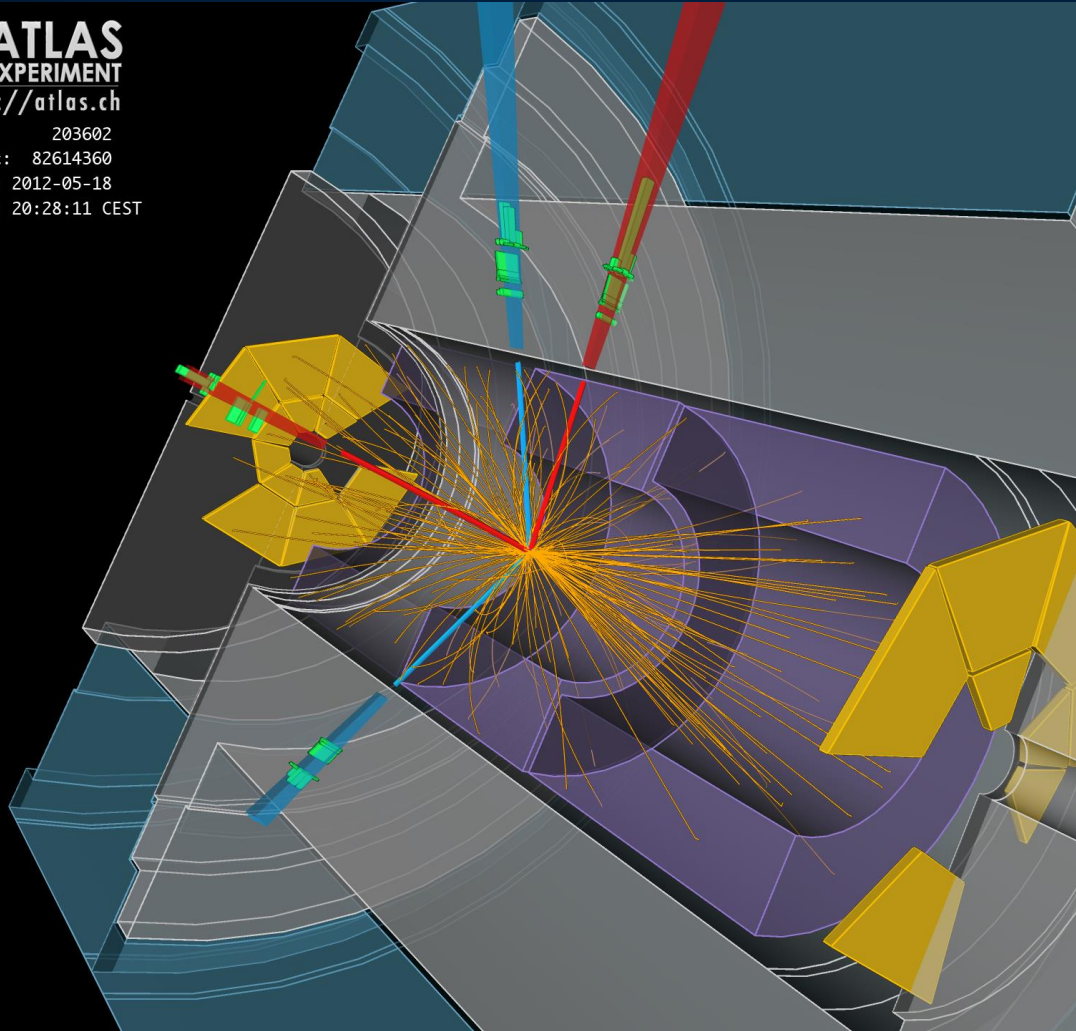


“CERN experiments observe particle consistent with long-sought Higgs boson”

ATLAS
EXPERIMENT

<http://atlas.ch>

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Event: 82614360
Date: 2012-05-18
Time: 20:28:11 CEST



CERN experiments observe particle consistent with long-sought Higgs boson Geneva, 4 July 2012.

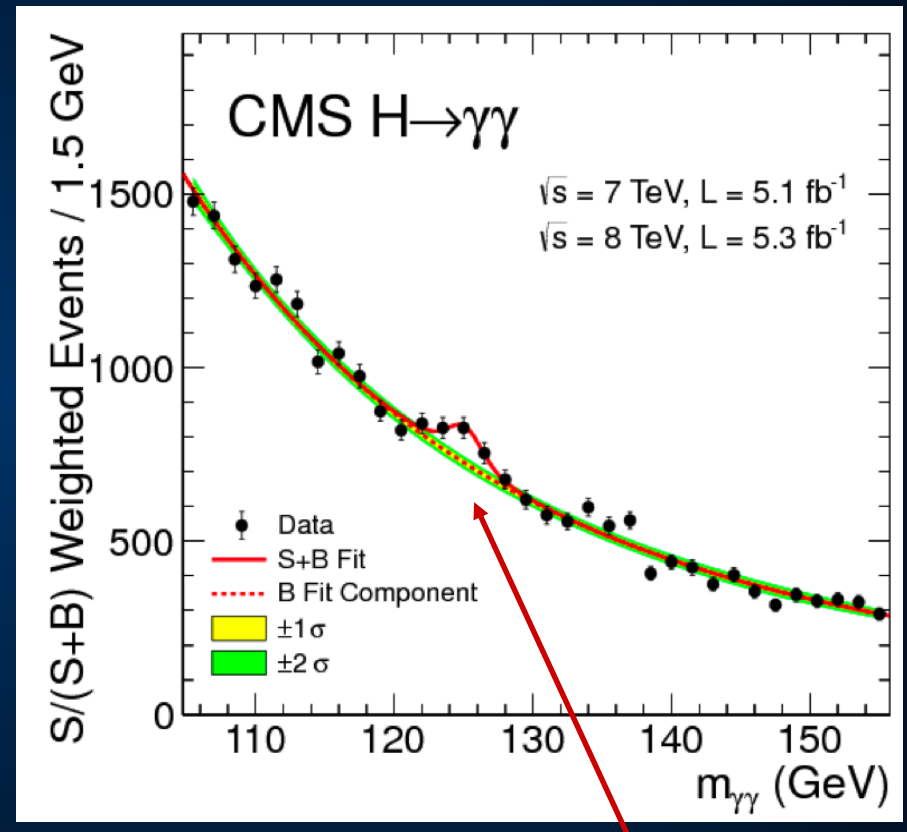
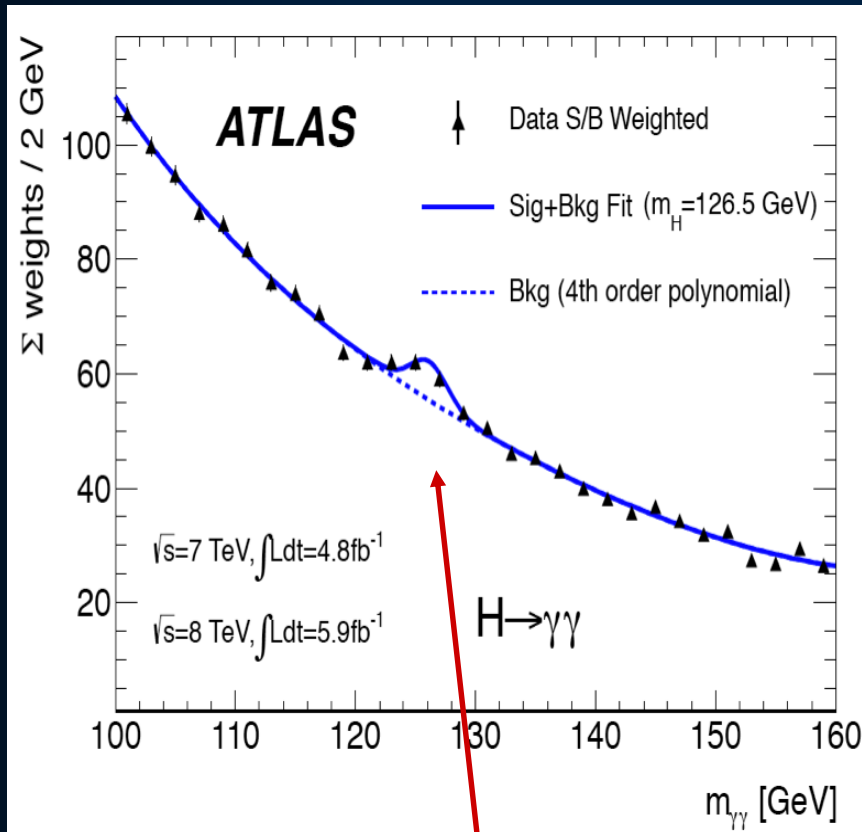
At a seminar held at CERN¹ today as a curtain raiser to the year's major particle physics conference, ICHEP2012 in Melbourne, the ATLAS and CMS experiments presented their latest preliminary results in the search for the long sought Higgs particle. **Both experiments observe a new particle in the mass region around 125-126 GeV.**

“We observe in our data clear signs of a new particle, at the level of 5 sigma, in the mass region around 126 GeV. The outstanding performance of the LHC and ATLAS and the huge efforts of many people have brought us to this exciting stage,” said ATLAS experiment spokesperson Fabiola Gianotti, *“but a little more time is needed to prepare these results for publication.”*

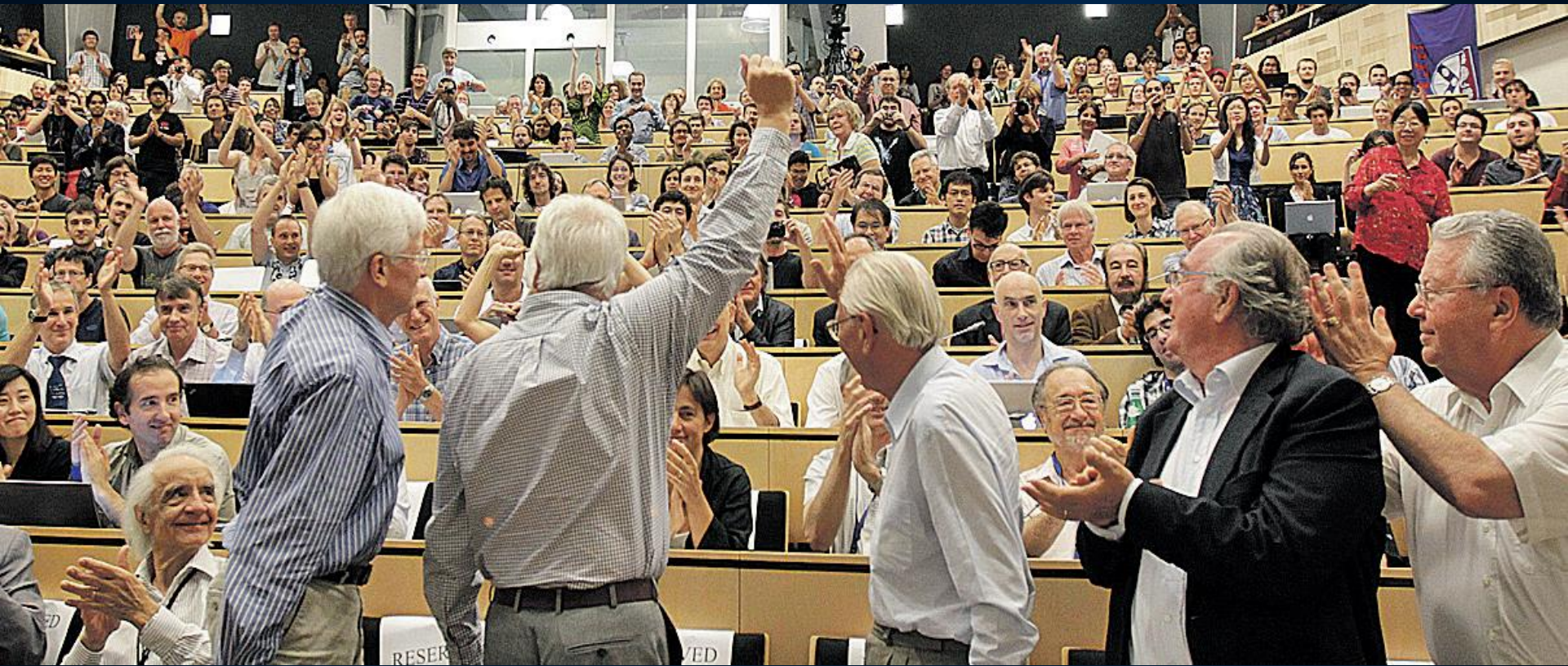
“The results are preliminary but the 5 sigma signal at around 125 GeV we’re seeing is dramatic. This is indeed a new particle. We know it must be a boson and it’s the heaviest boson ever found,” said CMS experiment spokesperson Joe Incandela. *“The implications are very significant and it is precisely for this reason that we must be extremely diligent in all of our studies and cross-checks.”*



Higgs decay to $\gamma\gamma$, ATLAS and CMS, summer 2012 data



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