

Welcome to CERN

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What is CERN about?

- CERN
 - Original meaning: Conseil Européen pour la Recherche Nucléaire
 - Current meaning: European Organization for Nuclear Research
- Quick summary of its main goals
 - C → collaboration
 - E → education
 - R → research
 - N → new technologies

Important dates

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



Finances & member states

Contributions from Member States in 2019

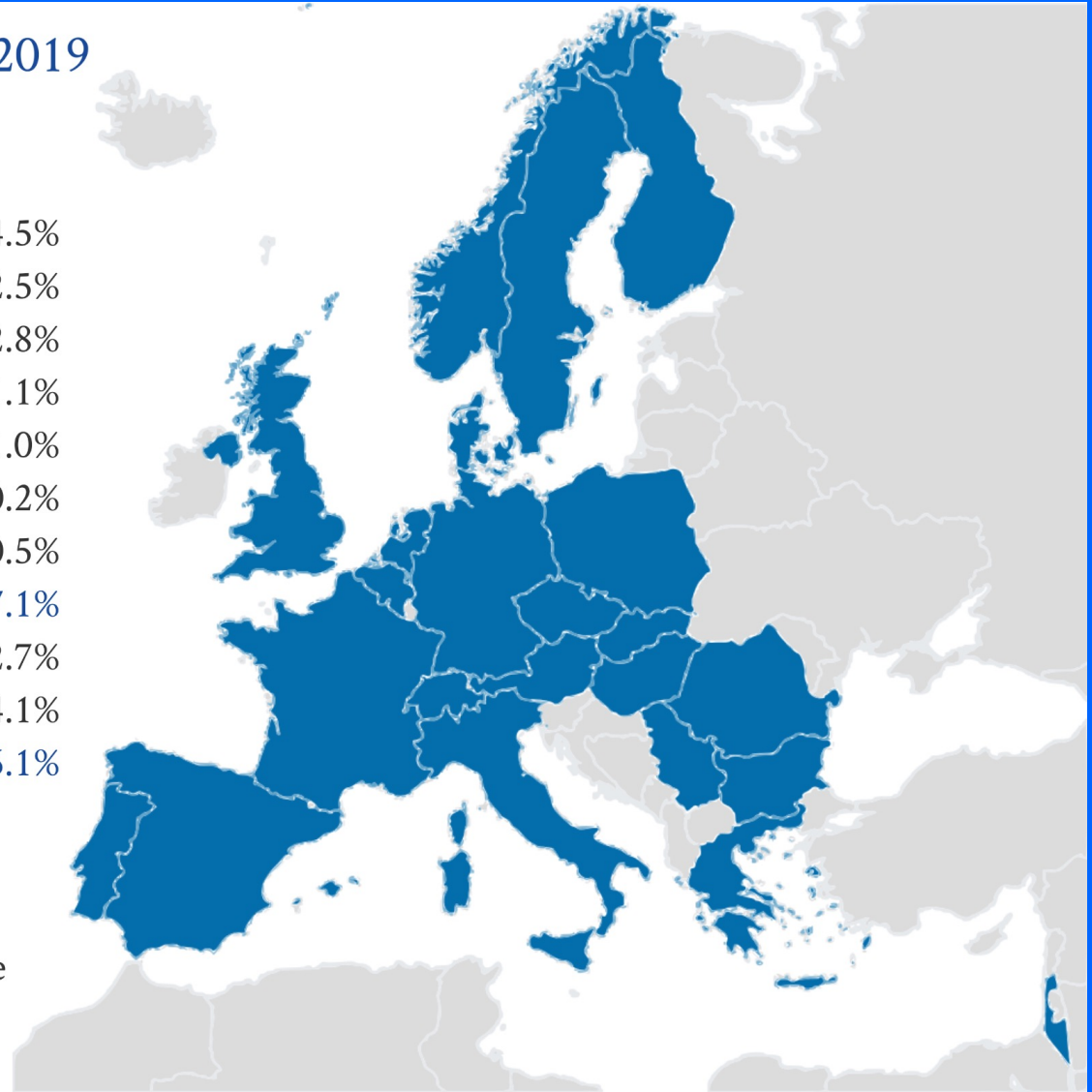
Annual budget: 1.17 billion CHF

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



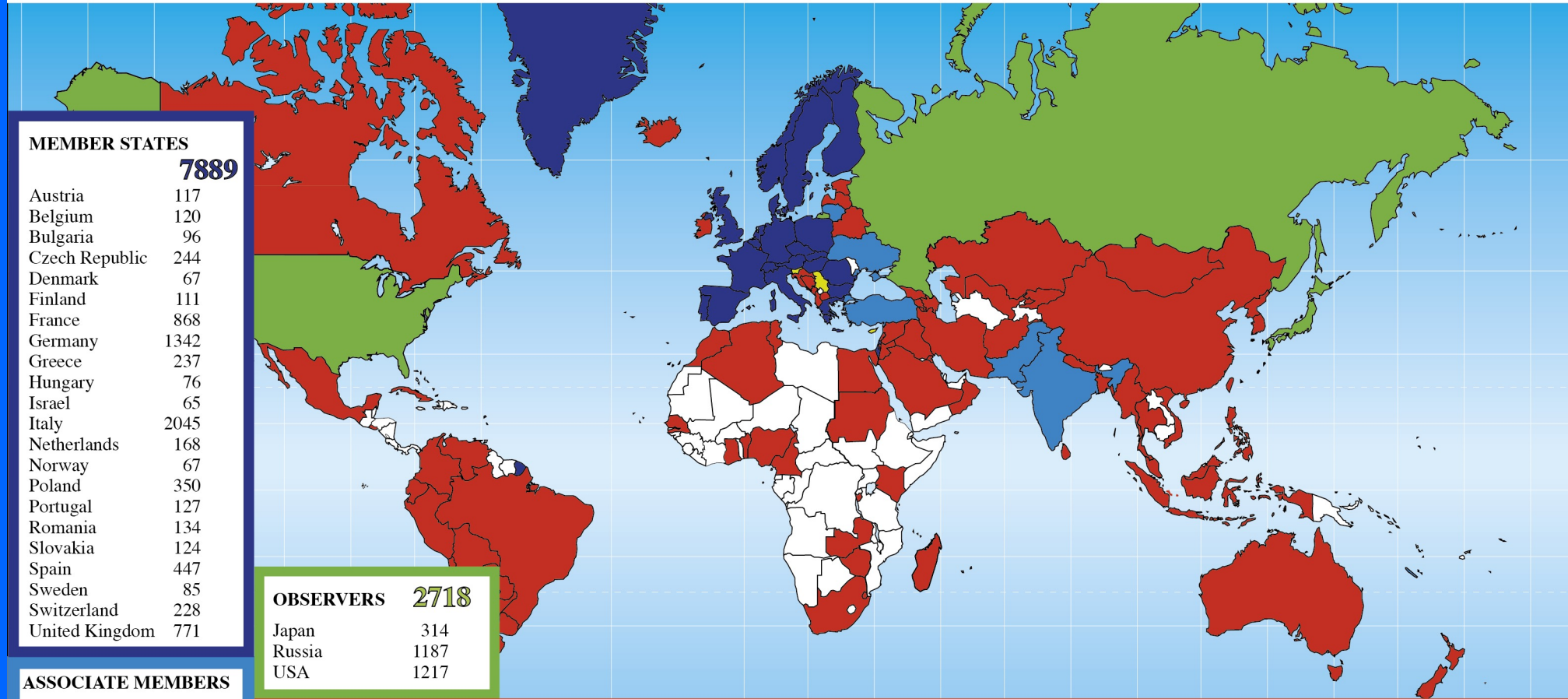
Observers: EU, JINR, UNESCO, Japan, Russian Federation, USA

Who works at CERN?



- **3000** people employed by CERN
 - Physicists, engineers, computer scientists, mathematicians, technicians, secretaries, fire brigade, health & safety experts, security, etc
- **>10000** physicists associated with CERN
 - From all over the world!

Distribution of All CERN Users by Nationality on 24 January 2018



MEMBER STATES **7889**

Austria	117
Belgium	120
Bulgaria	96
Czech Republic	244
Denmark	67
Finland	111
France	868
Germany	1342
Greece	237
Hungary	76
Israel	65
Italy	2045
Netherlands	168
Norway	67
Poland	350
Portugal	127
Romania	134
Slovakia	124
Spain	447
Sweden	85
Switzerland	228
United Kingdom	771

OBSERVERS **2718**

Japan	314
Russia	1187
USA	1217

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS **745**

India	357
Lithuania	35
Pakistan	65
Turkey	173
Ukraine	115

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS IN THE PRE-STAGE TO MEMBERSHIP **118**

Cyprus	26
Serbia	57
Slovenia	35

OTHERS **1872**

Afghanistan	1	Bolivia	4	Egypt	31	Kazakhstan	5	Mongolia	2	Philippines	3	Thailand	22
Albania	3	Bosnia & Herzegovina	2	El Salvador	1	Kenya	3	Montenegro	11	Saint Kitts and Nevis	1	T.F.Y.R.O.M.	2
Algeria	14	Brazil	135	Estonia	15	Korea Rep.	185	Morocco	20	Saudi Arabia	2	Tunisia	5
Argentina	27	Burundi	1	Georgia	46	Kyrgyzstan	1	Myanmar	1	Senegal	1	Uruguay	1
Armenia	19	Cameroon	1	Ghana	1	Latvia	2	Nepal	10	Singapore	4	Uzbekistan	4
Australia	31	Canada	161	Hong Kong	1	Lebanon	23	New Zealand	5	Singapore	4	Venezuela	10
Azerbaijan	10	Chile	20	Iceland	3	Luxembourg	2	Nigeria	3	South Africa	56	Viet Nam	13
Bangladesh	11	China	510	Indonesia	11	Madagascar	4	North Korea	1	Sri Lanka	6	Zambia	1
Belarus	48	Colombia	45	Iran	51	Malaysia	15	Oman	3	Sudan	1	Zimbabwe	2
Benin	1	Croatia	41	Iraq	1	Malta	9	Palestine (O.T.)	7	Swaziland	1		
		Cuba	12	Ireland	16	Mauritius	1	Paraguay	2	Syria	1		
		Ecuador	6	Jordan	1	Mexico	82	Peru	7	Taiwan	51		

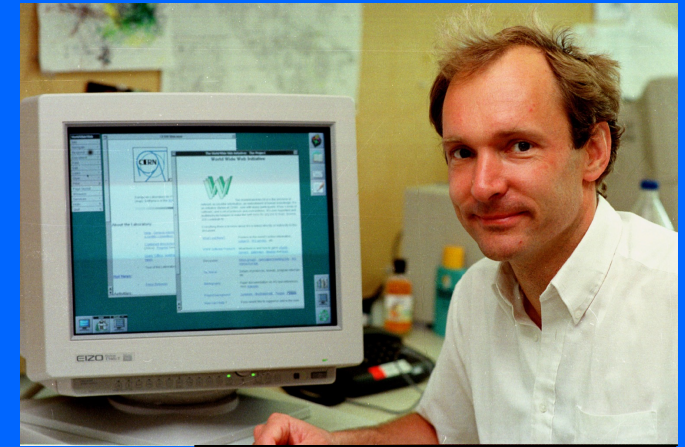
Who visits CERN

- CERN is an **open laboratory**
 - With certain constraints and regulations
- Every year, **~130'000** people visit CERN
- Open days September 2019: **75'000** people visited in 2 days!!!

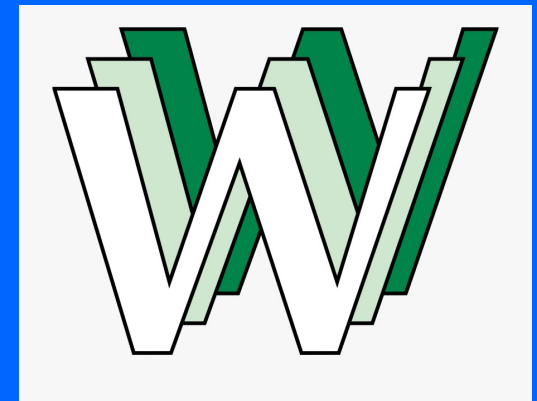
Basic vs applied research

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

For example, the World Wide Web!



Tim Berners-Lee



But also...

- **Medical** applications
 - PET / CT / MRI scan technologies
 - Detectors, superconducting magnets, cryogenics, vacuum
 - Radiation therapy: accelerators, detectors
- **Space** applications
 - High-radiation environment materials / devices
- Other computing developments
 - **Data analysis & simulation** frameworks
 - Grid middleware
 - Indico – meeting and conference management !
 - Invenio, Zenodo – **digital library management**
- And more

CERN against COVID-19

Reuse CERN techniques and technologies to help the global battle against the COVID-19 pandemic:

- Low-cost ventilators for breathing devices
- Zenodo space for fast and easy publication of research data sets and results
- Using part of WLCG for Folding@Home
- ...

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?

What is everything around us made of?

1 H																	2 He
3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
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
55 Cs	56 Ba	71 Lu	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
87 Fr	88 Ra	103 Lr	104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs	109 Mt									
		57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb		
		89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No		

At different scales...



Mainly O, C, H



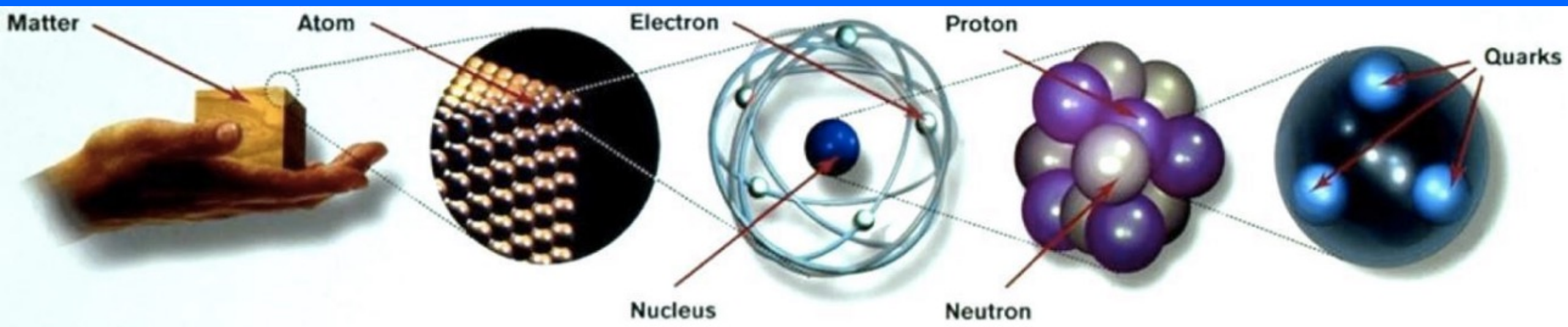
Mainly Fe, O, Si



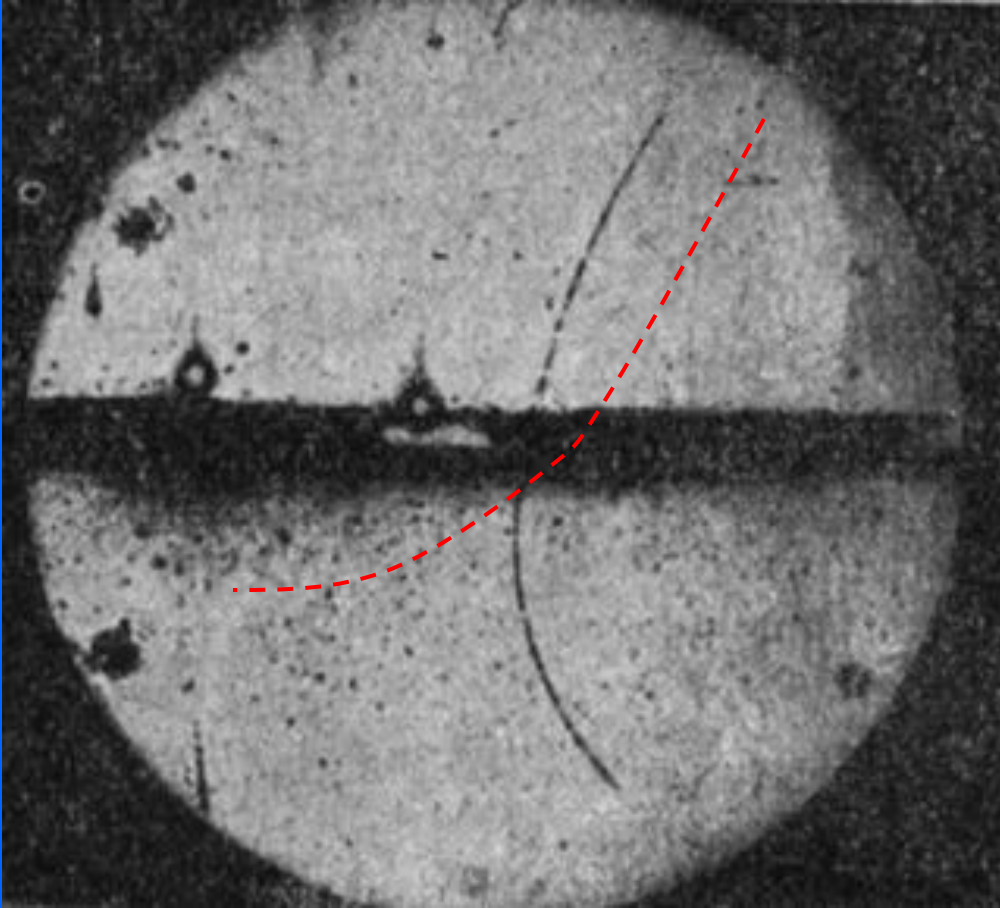
Mainly H and He

96% out there unknown!

What is everything around us made of?

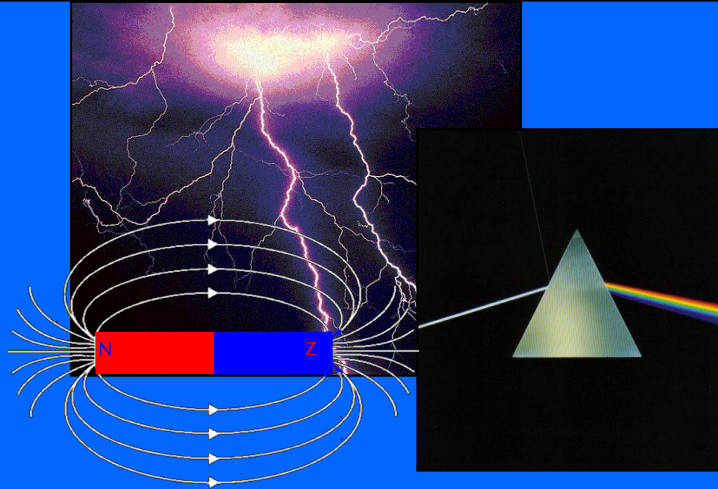


Anti-matter

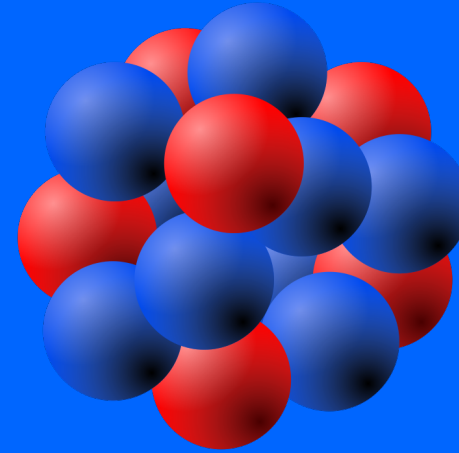


- Anti-matter: discovered in 1923
 - Predicted by theory
- *Almost* same as matter...
But oppositely charged + some subtle effects...
- Problem: at the Big Bang there would have been just as much anti-matter as matter... Where did all that anti-matter go?

The four fundamental forces



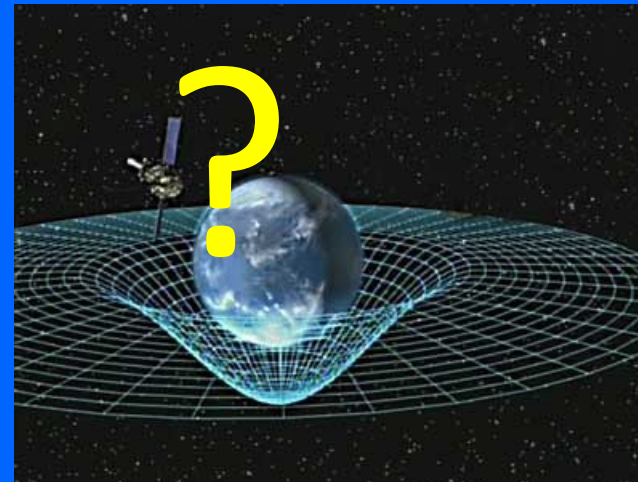
Electro-magnetic force



Strong force

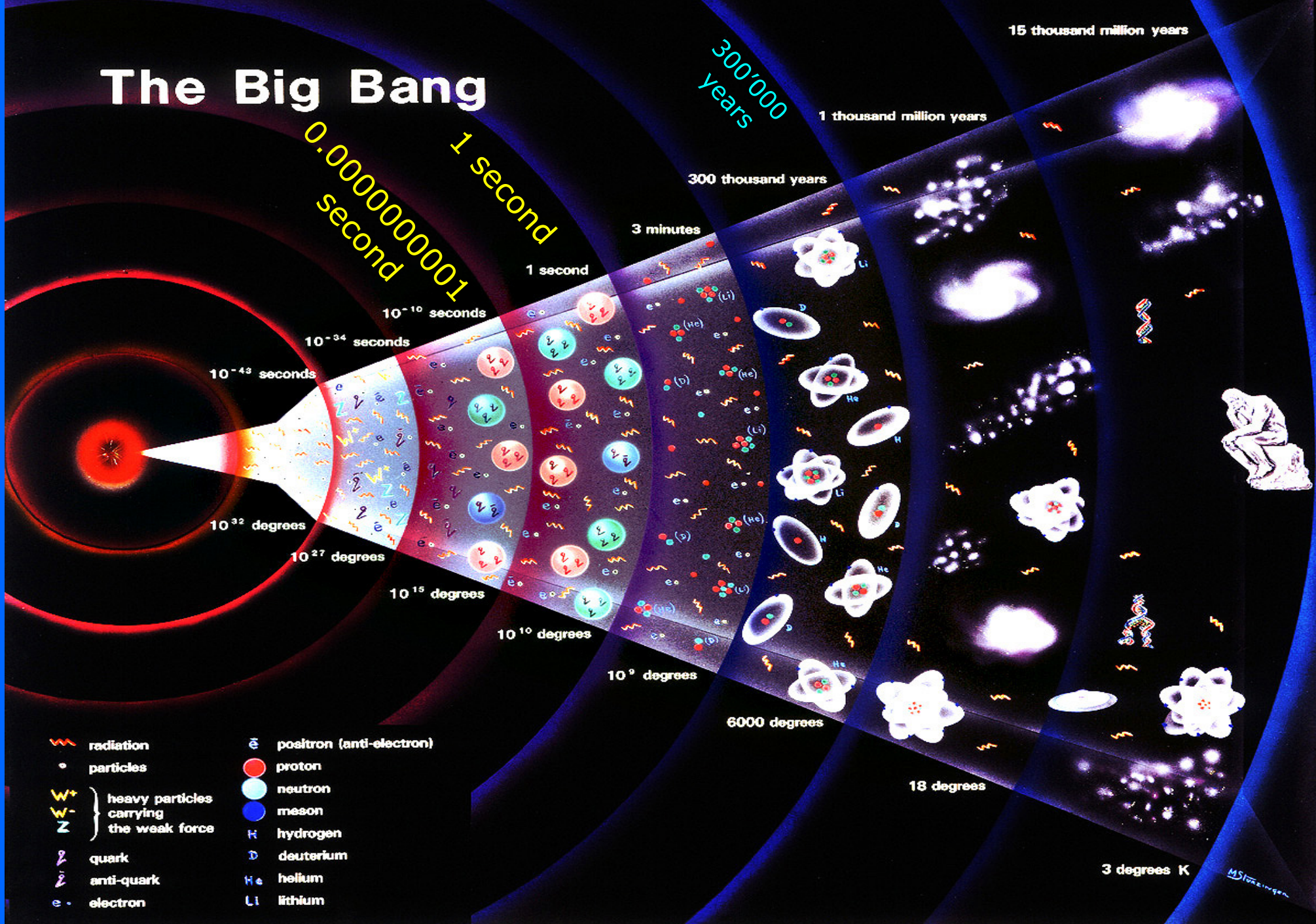


Weak force

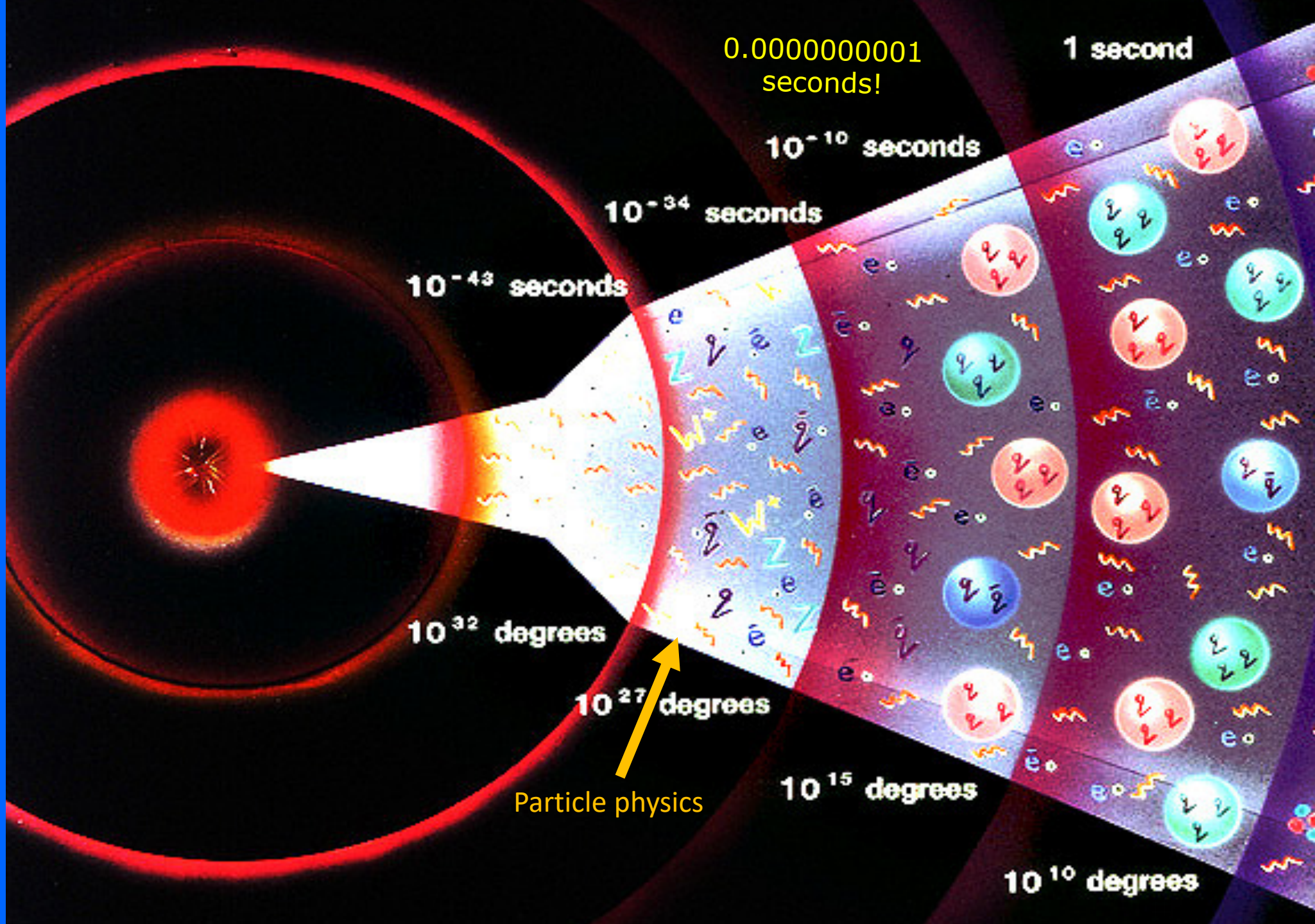


Gravity

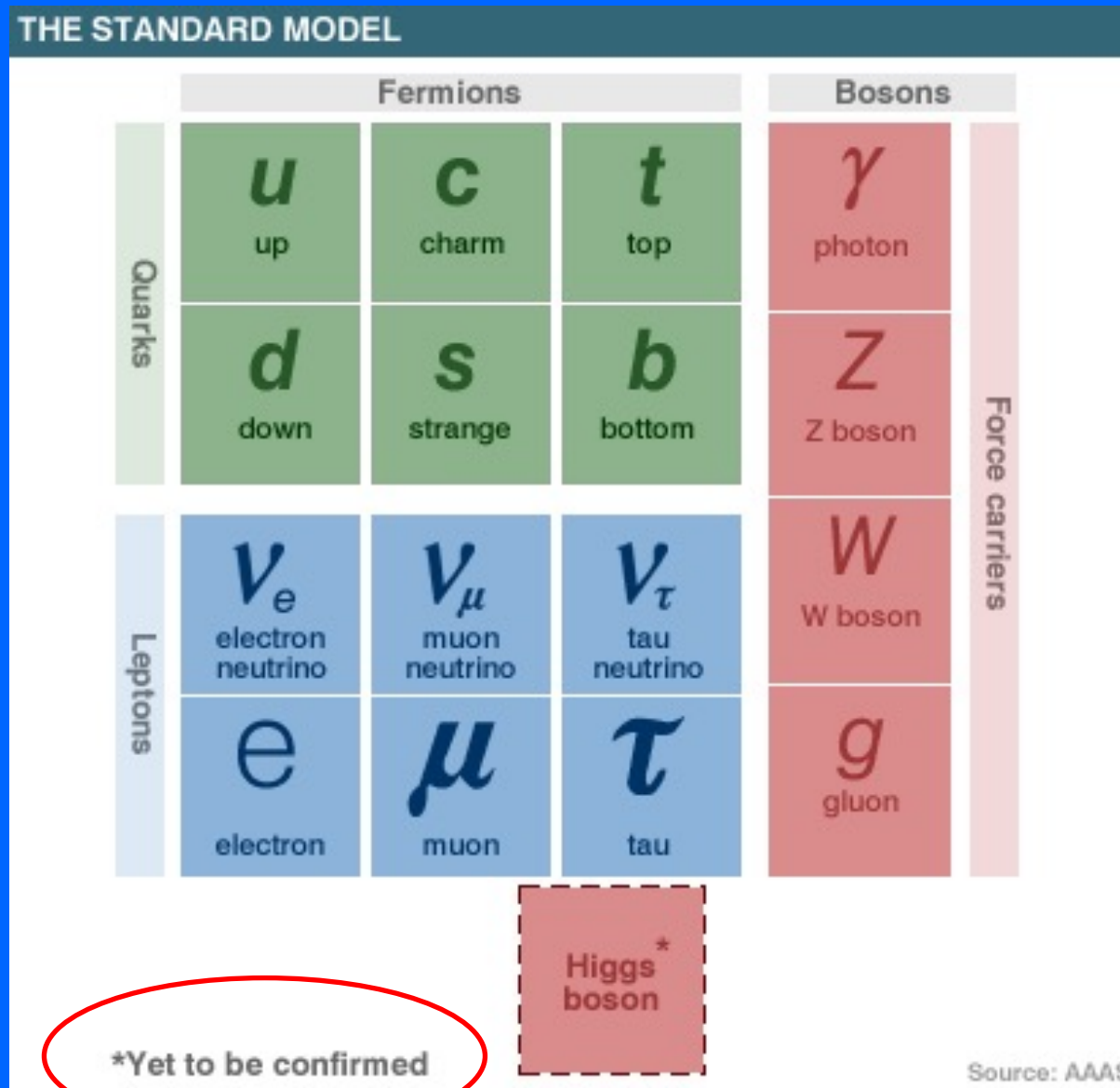
The Big Bang



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|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| | radiation | | positron (anti-electron) |
| | particles | | proton |
| | heavy particles
carrying
the weak force | | neutron |
| | | | meson |
| | | | hydrogen |
| | quark | | deuterium |
| | anti-quark | | helium |
| | electron | | lithium |

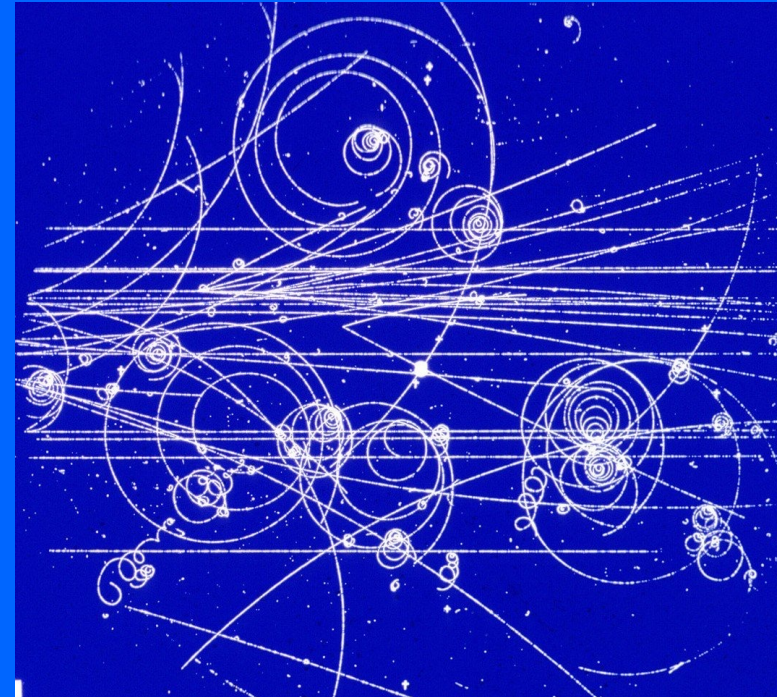
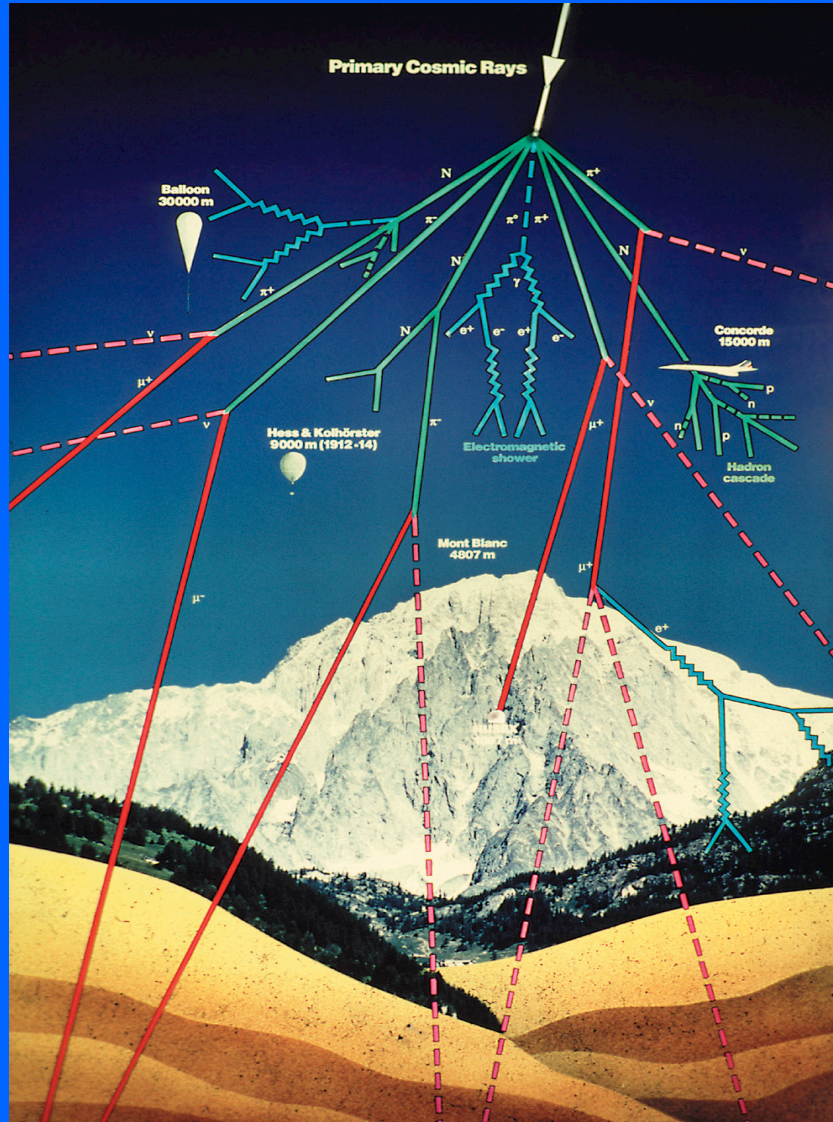


The standard model before July 4, 2012



How do we know all this?

Cosmic rays



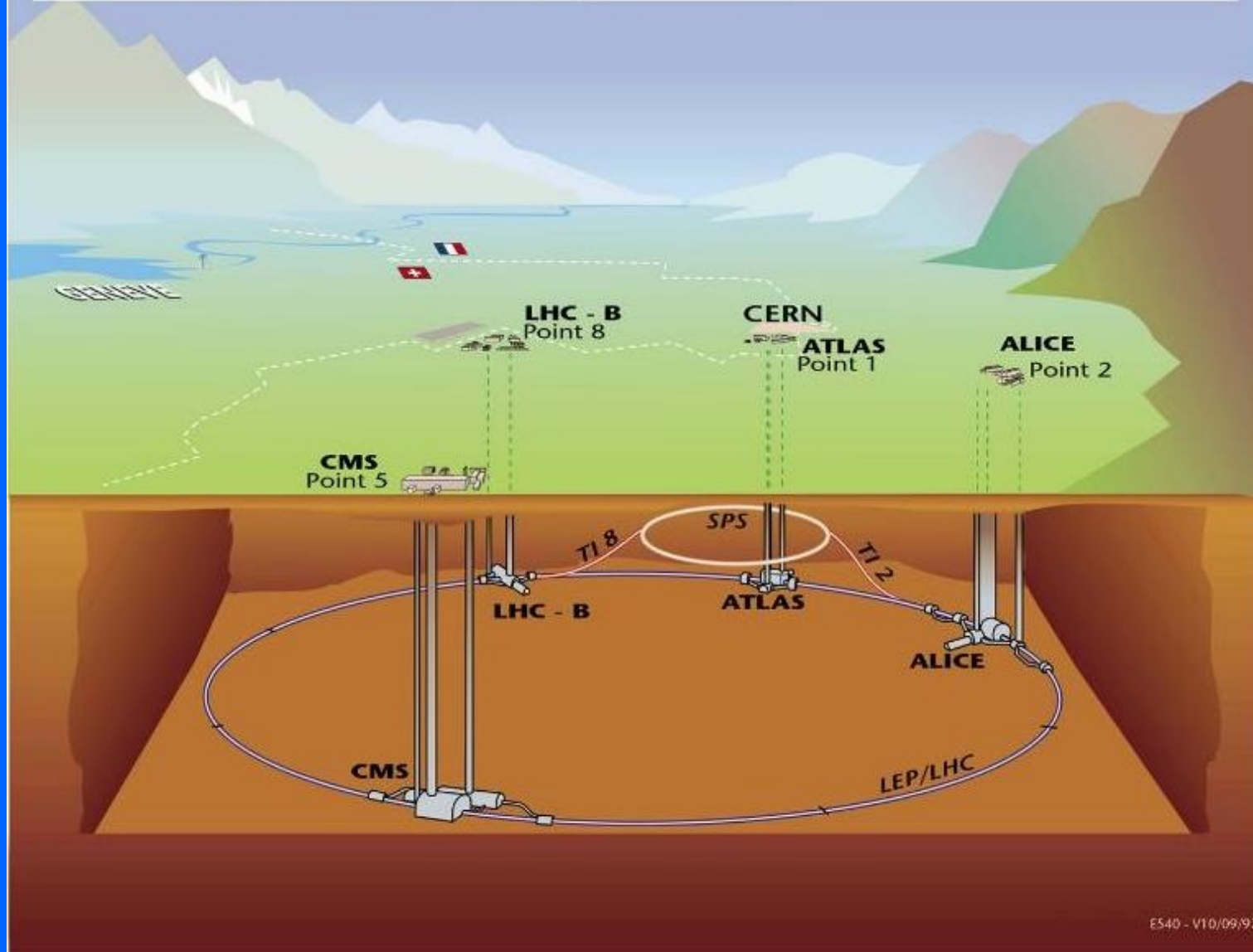
- Accelerator experiments
- Radioactivity experiments

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

The Large Hadron Collider



Overall view of the LHC experiments.



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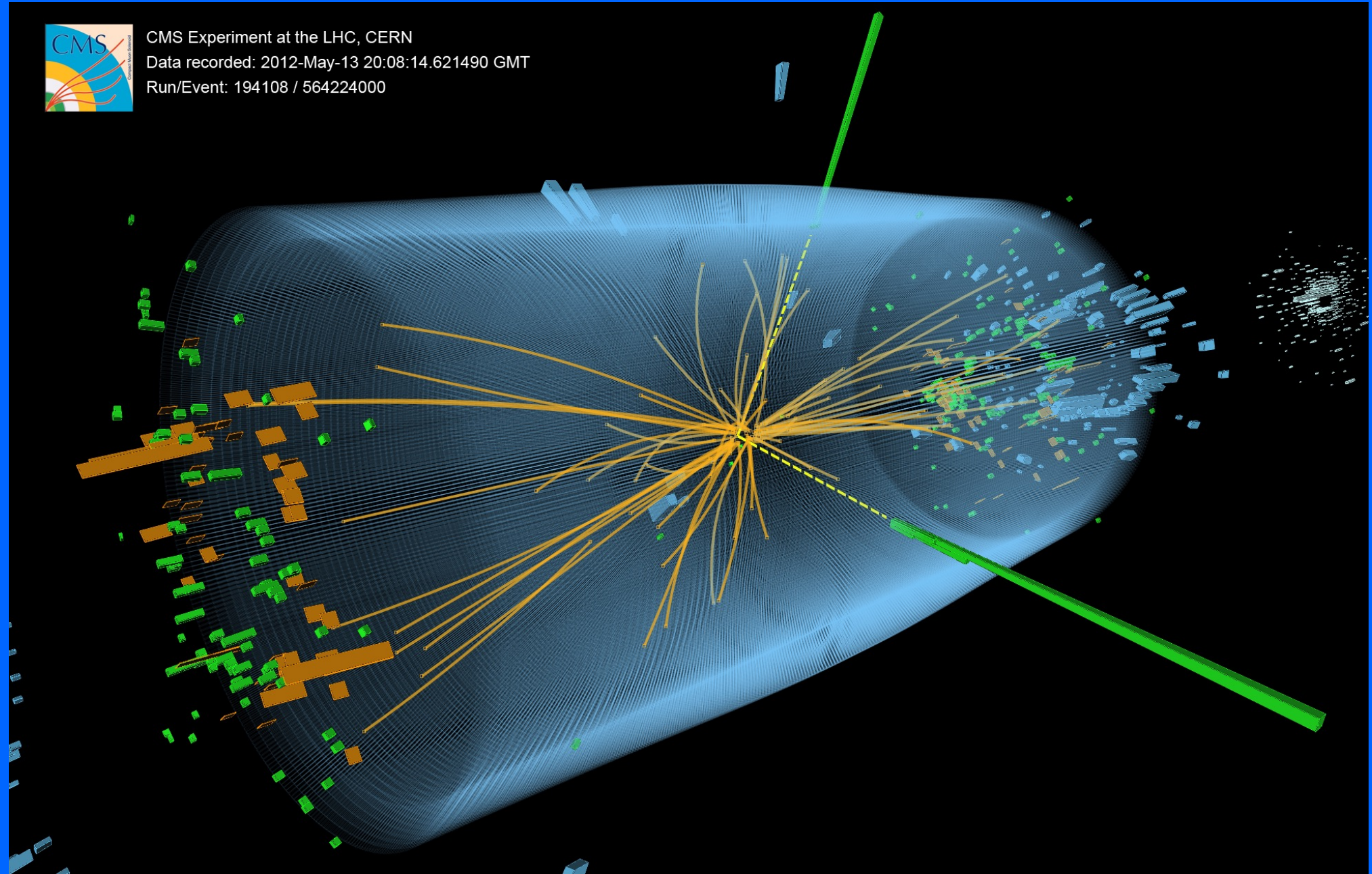
Huge experiments can investigate extremely small scales ...



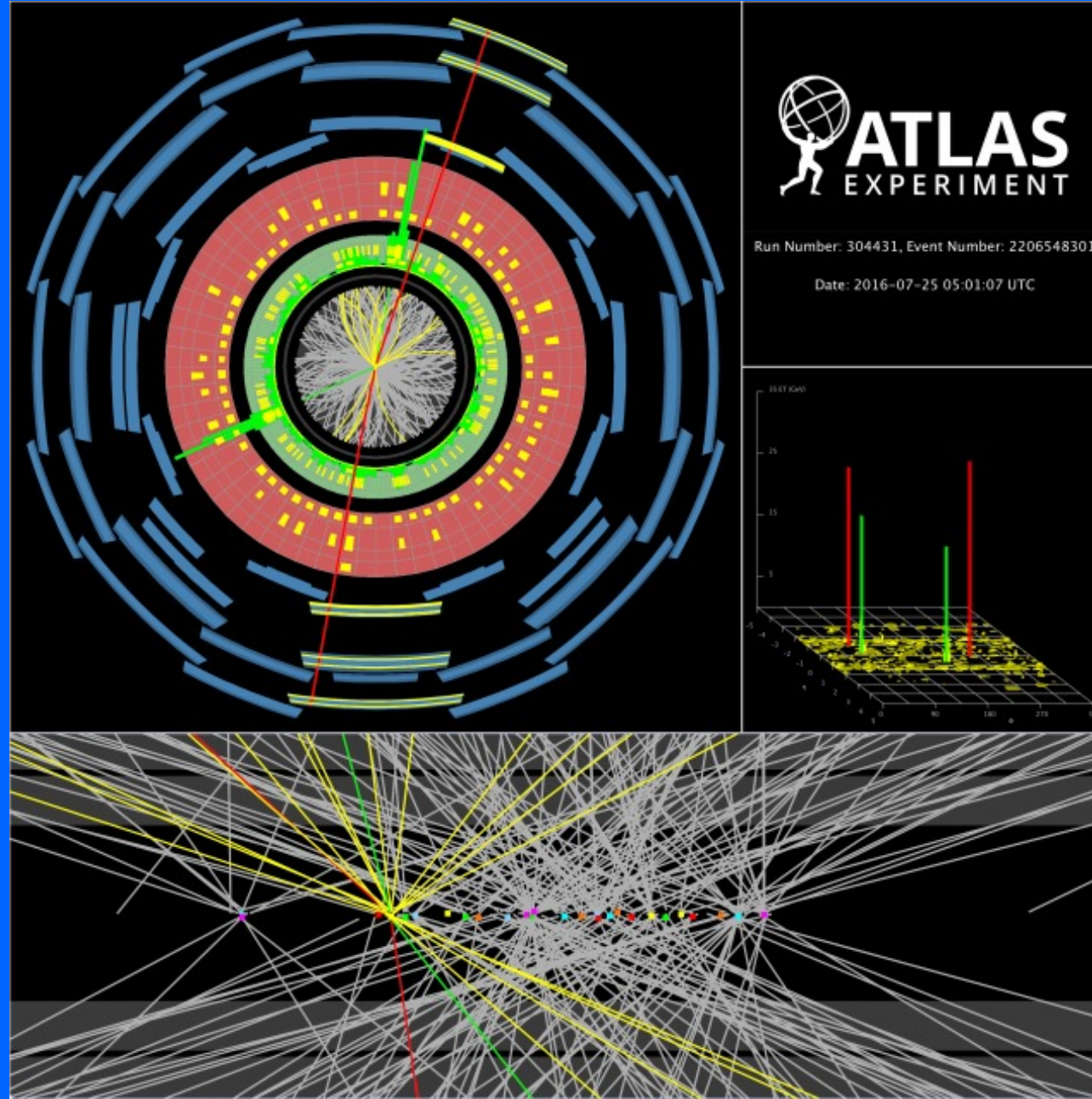
CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN

Data recorded: 2012-May-13 20:08:14.621490 GMT

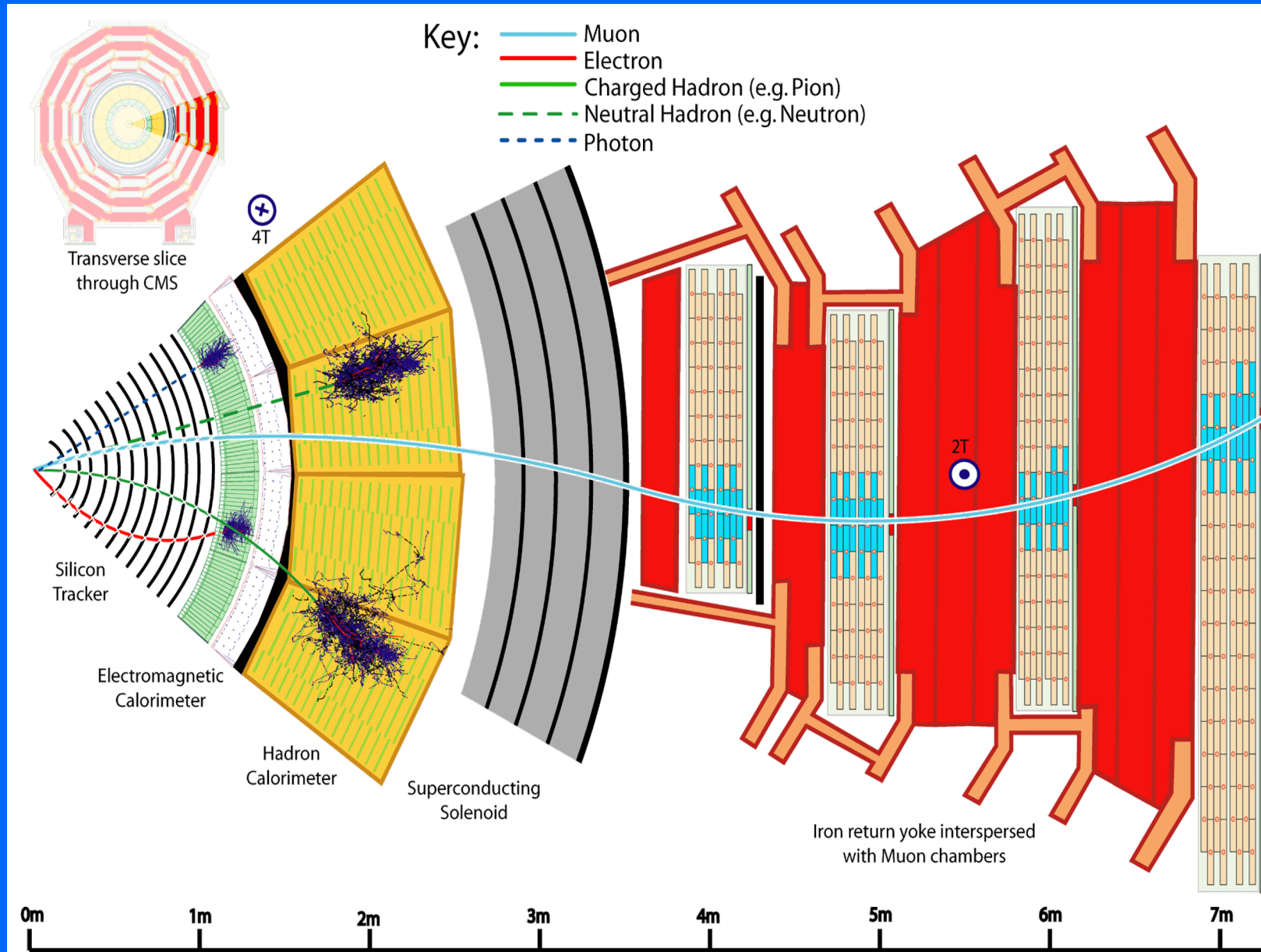
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... by identifying what is produced in collisions!



Different detector layers help distinguish particle types



Computing challenges

- The LHC experiments generate **> 100 Petabytes** per year
- To store and process such huge quantities of data, the experiments make use of a worldwide collaboration of partner universities and laboratories: the **Worldwide LHC Computing Grid**

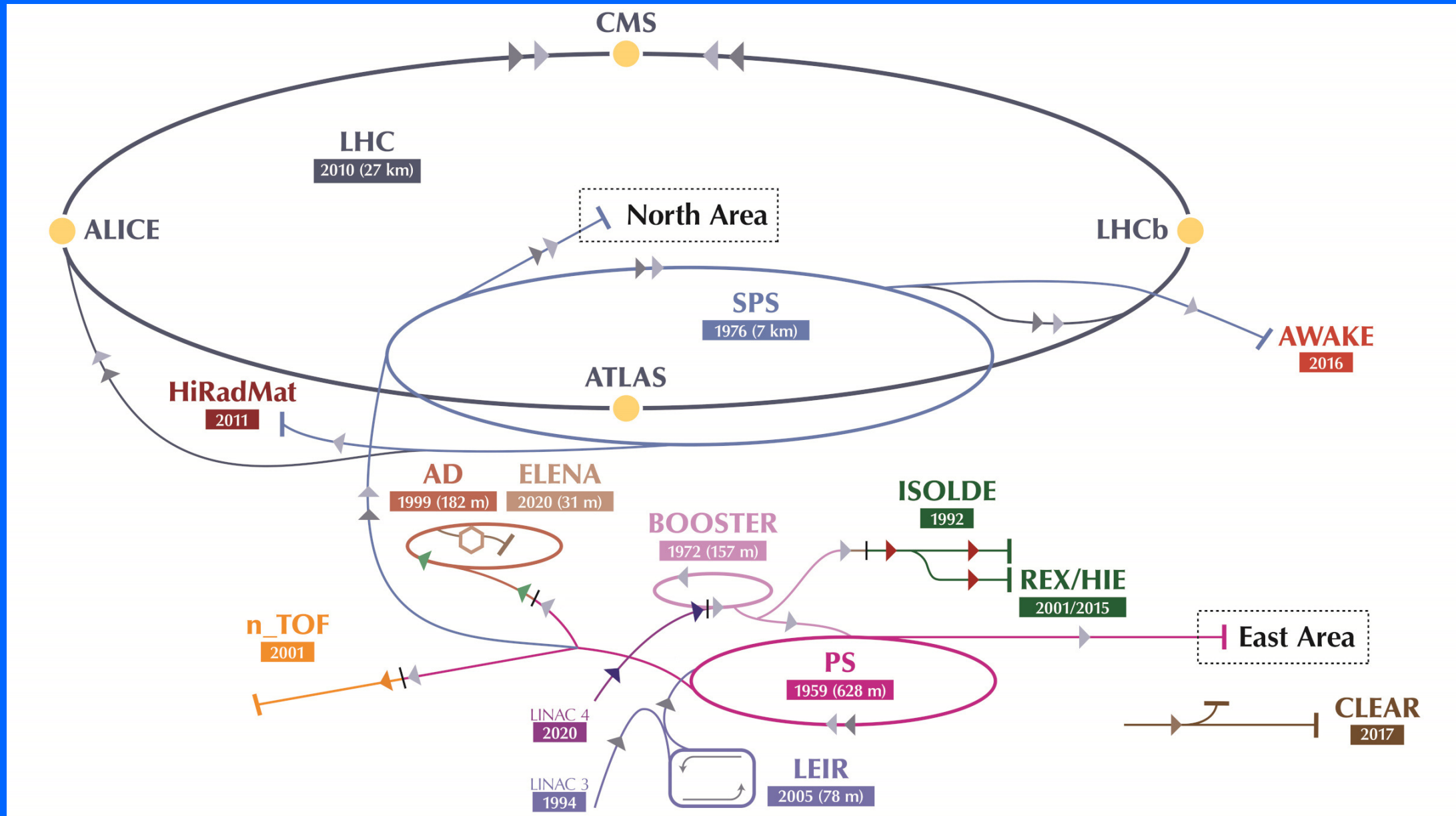


More open questions

- 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**?

Solving any of these **puzzles** is worth a **Nobel Prize**!

Other accelerators and many more experiments



Even in space!



Summary

- CERN is about:
 - International collaboration
 - Fundamental research
 - Technology innovation
 - Knowledge sharing
- CERN has particle accelerators and many experiments to discover and study the **building blocks of the universe**

Enjoy your (virtual) stay at CERN !