LHC Detectors

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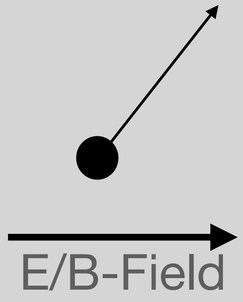
What is a Particle?

Classical



Quantum Mechanics

$$\psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2^n\, n!}} \cdot \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/4} \cdot e^{-\frac{m\omega x^2}{2\hbar}} \cdot H_n\left(\sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}}x\right),$$

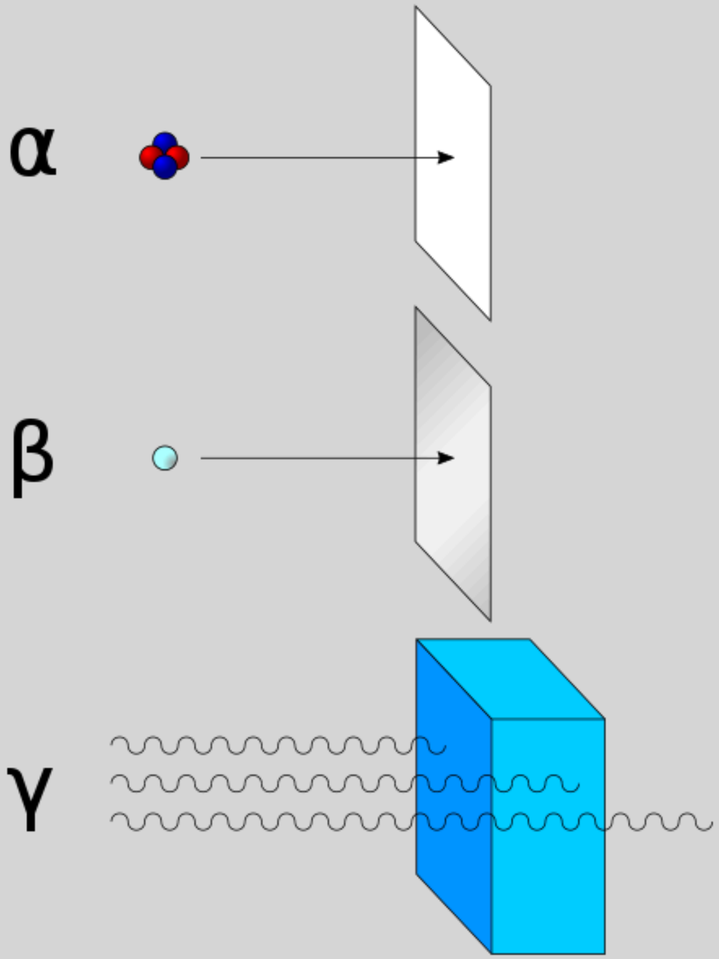
Does NOT play nice
with special relativity

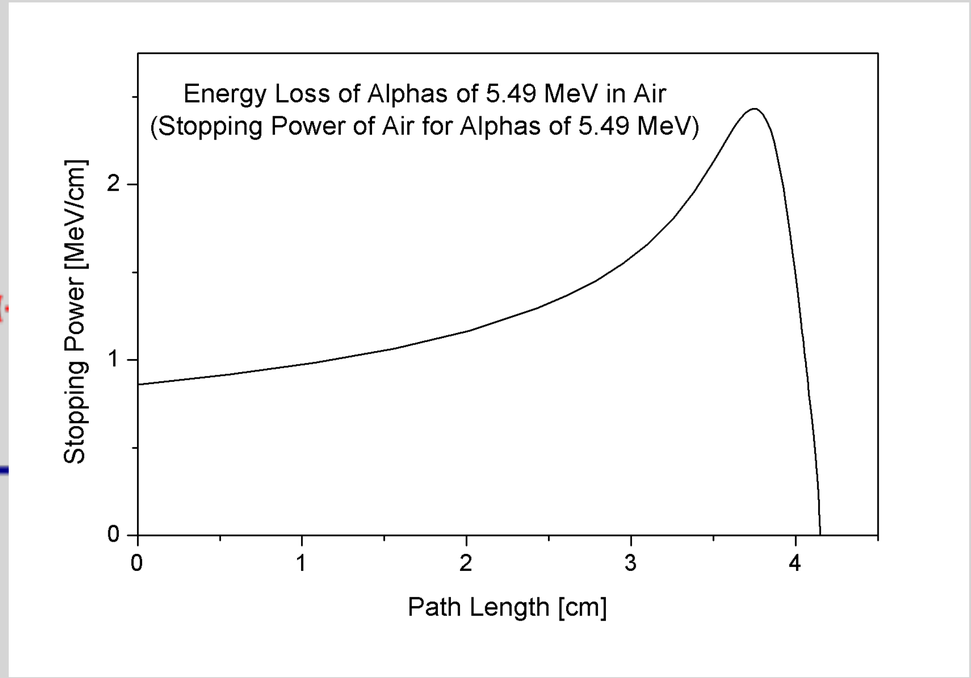
Quantum Field Theory

$$\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x},t) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_{\mathbf{p}}}} \left(\hat{a}_{\mathbf{p}} e^{-i\omega_{\mathbf{p}}t + i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} + \hat{a}^\dagger_{\mathbf{p}} e^{i\omega_{\mathbf{p}}t - i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}}\right).$$

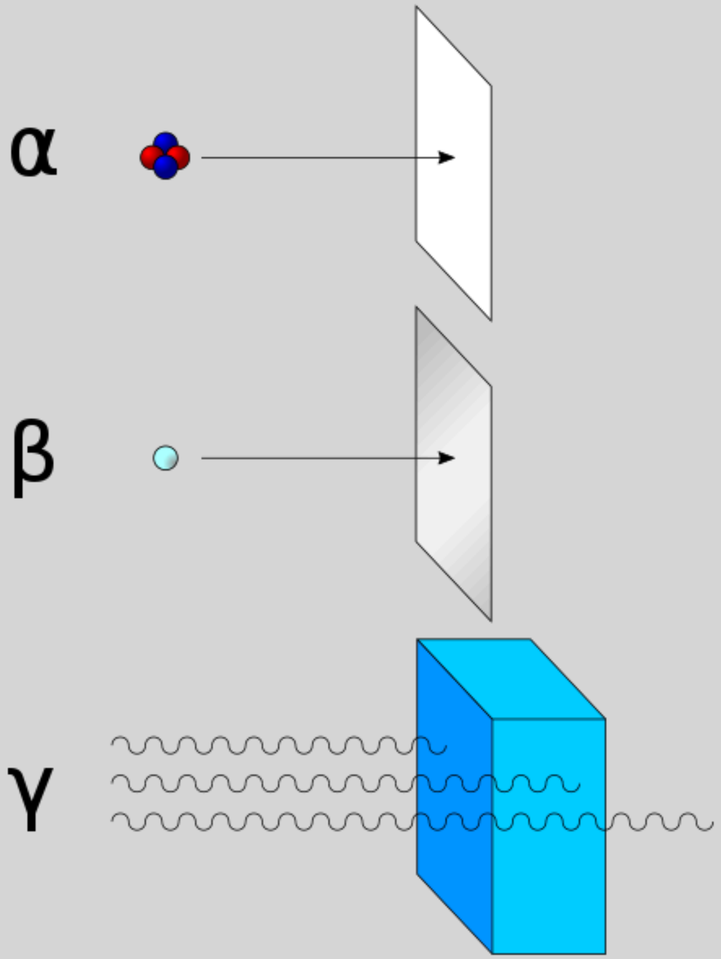
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \phi)\,(\partial^\mu \phi) - \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4!}\phi^4,$$

Rutherford+Villard (1899)





What Kinds of Particles Are There?



= ? = meson/hadron => heavy,
electric+color charge

= ? = electron/positron => light,
electric charge

= ? = photon => massless,
carries energy+momentum
interacts electromagnetically

Don’t Forget Neutrinos!

What Other Kinds of Particles Are There?

MANY meson/hadron

electric+color charge
Which are long lived?

Charged Leptons:
electron, muon, tau

electric charge
only electron stable
How far can muons travel?

Vector Bosons: W/Z

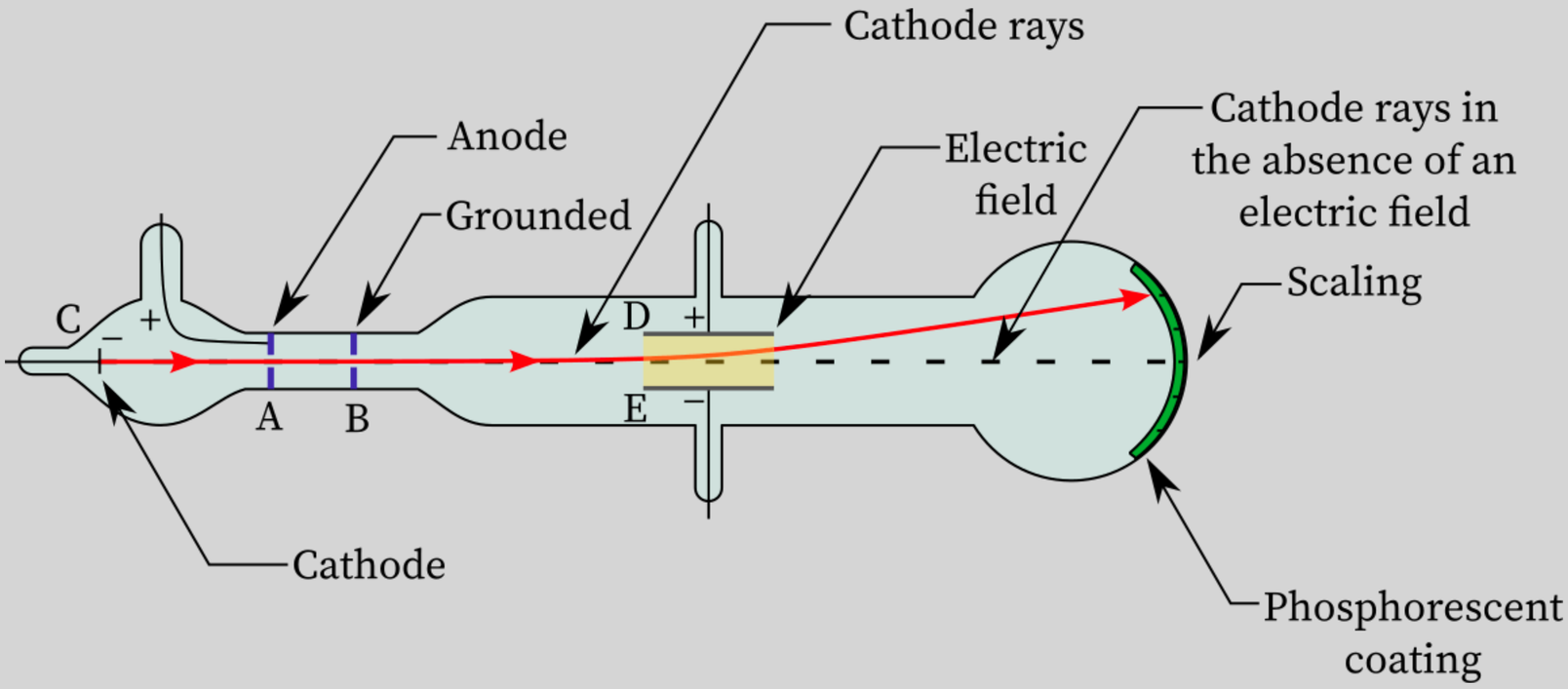
W +/-1 electrica charge,
Z and Higgs neutral

Scalar Boson: H

How do we ‘see’ these?

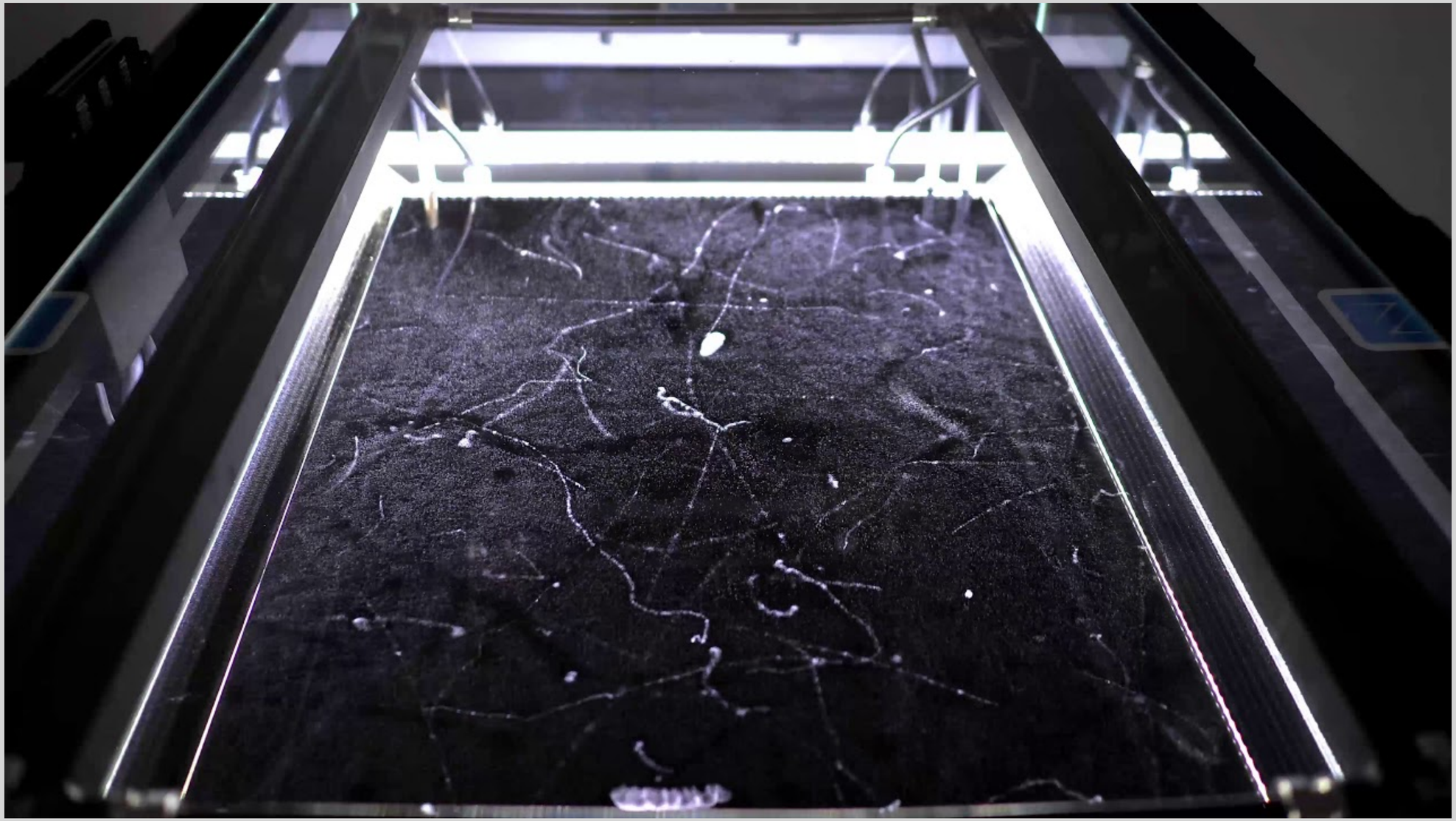
Previous Experiments

Cathode Ray => Electrons



Hot Stuff => Negatively-Charged Particles (Electrons)

Cloud Chamber



Accidental Discovery of the Muon

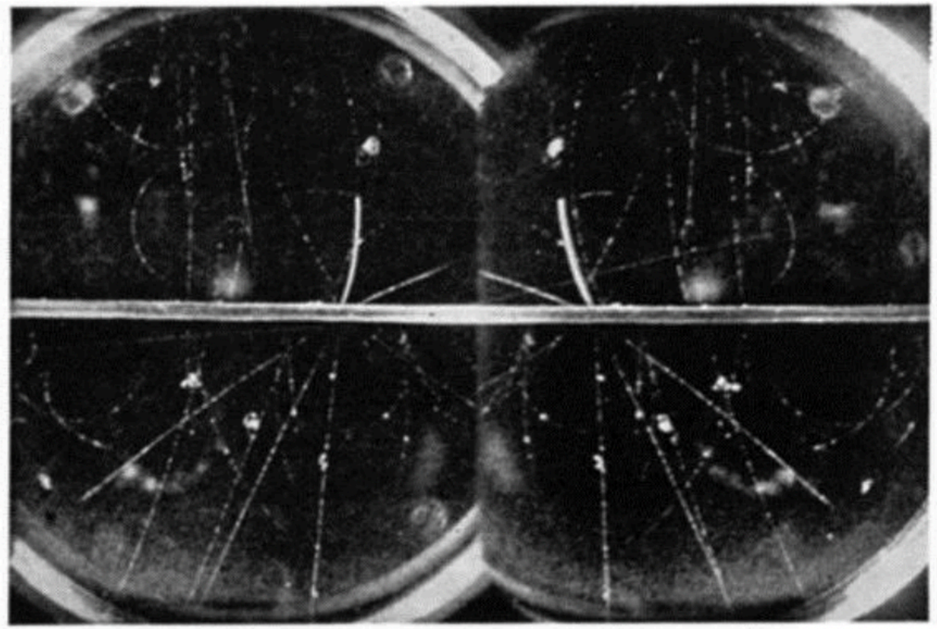


FIG. 12. Pike's Peak, 7900 gauss. A disintegration produced by a nonionizing ray occurs at a point in the 0.35 cm lead plate, from which six particles are ejected. One of the particles (strongly ionizing) ejected nearly vertically upward has the range of a 1.5 MEV proton. Its energy (given by its range) corresponds to an $H\rho = 1.7 \times 10^5$, or a radius of 20 cm, which is three times the observed value. If the observed curvature were produced entirely by magnetic deflection it would be necessary to conclude that this track represents a massive particle with an e/m much greater than that of a proton or any other known nucleus. As there are no experimental data available on the multiple

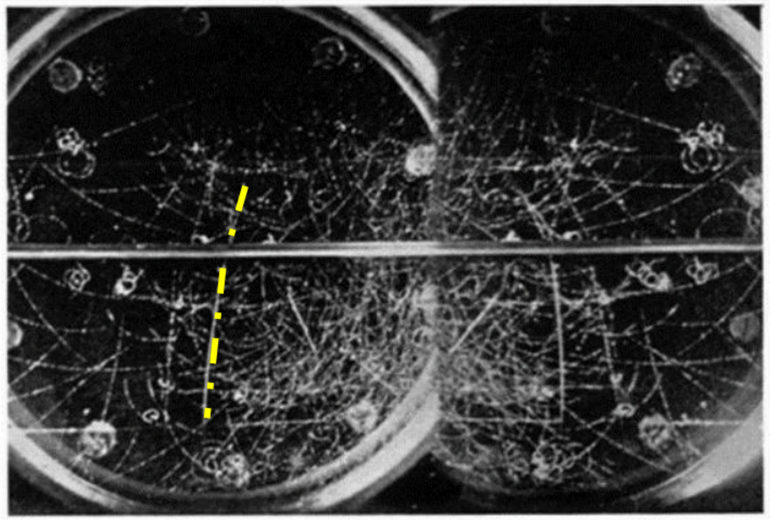


FIG. 13. Pasadena, 4500 gauss. A complex electron shower not clearly defined in direction, and three heavy particles with specific ionizations definitely greater than that of electrons. The sign of charge of two of these heavy particles represented by short tracks cannot be determined, but the assumption that they represent protons is consistent with the information supplied by the photograph. The third heavy track appears above the 0.35 cm lead plate where it has a specific ionization not noticeably different from that of an electron. It penetrates the lead plate and appears in the lower half of the chamber as a nearly vertical track near the middle. Below the plate it shows a greater ionization than an electron, and is deviated in the magnetic field to indicate a positively charged particle. Its $H\rho$ is apparently at most 1.4×10^5 gauss cm, which corresponds to a proton energy of 1 MEV and a range of only 2 cm in the chamber, whereas the observed range is greater than 5 cm. A difficulty of the same nature was discussed in the description of the previous photograph.

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Neutrino Beams

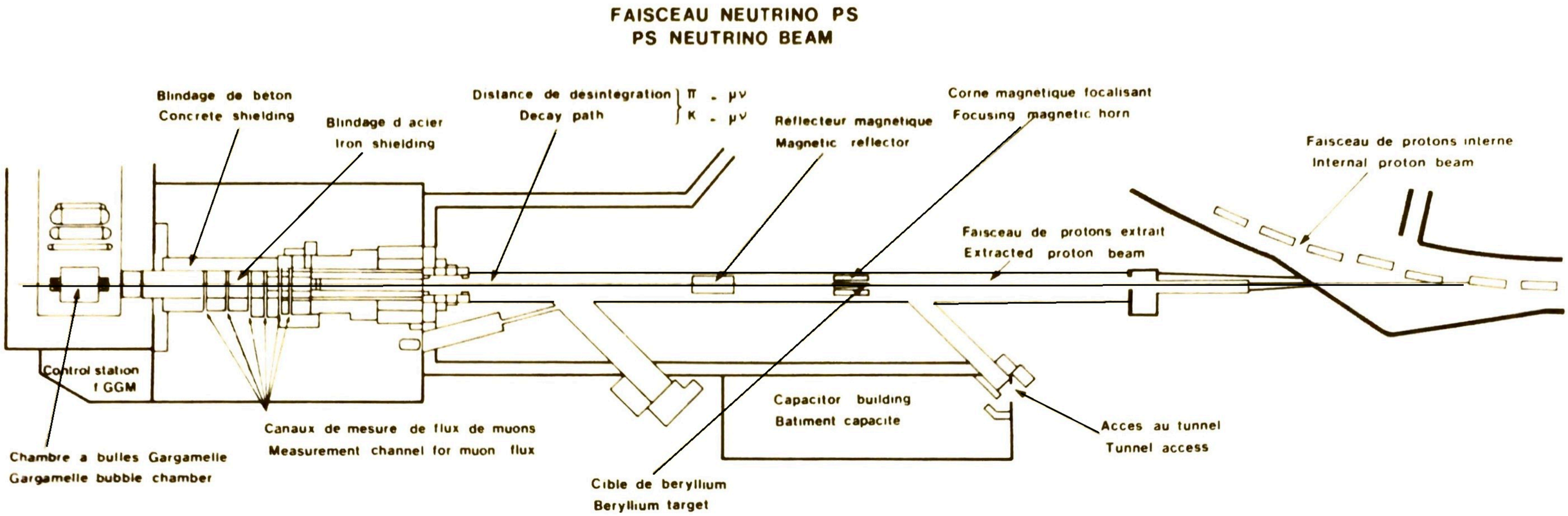
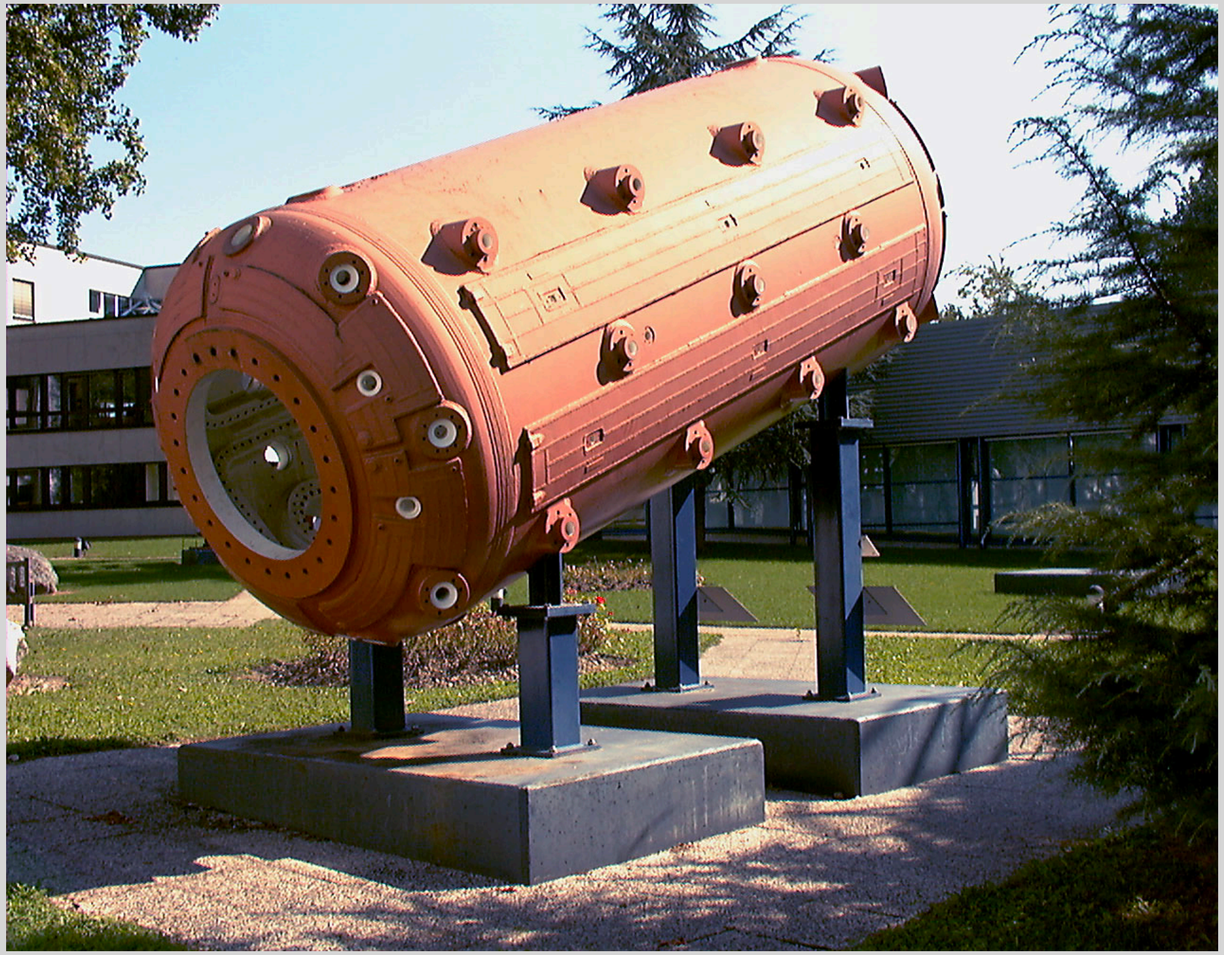
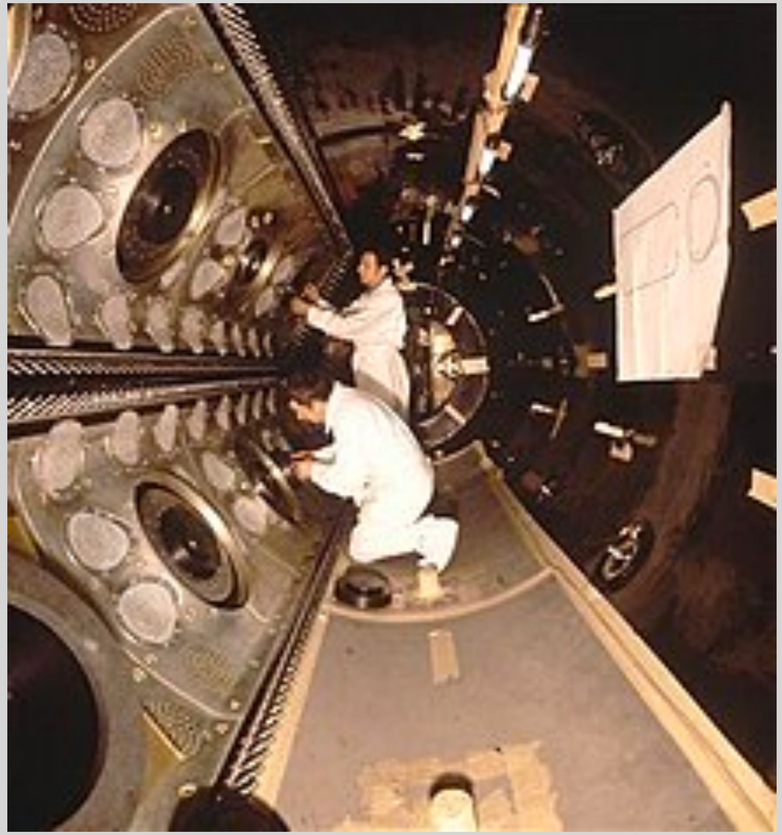


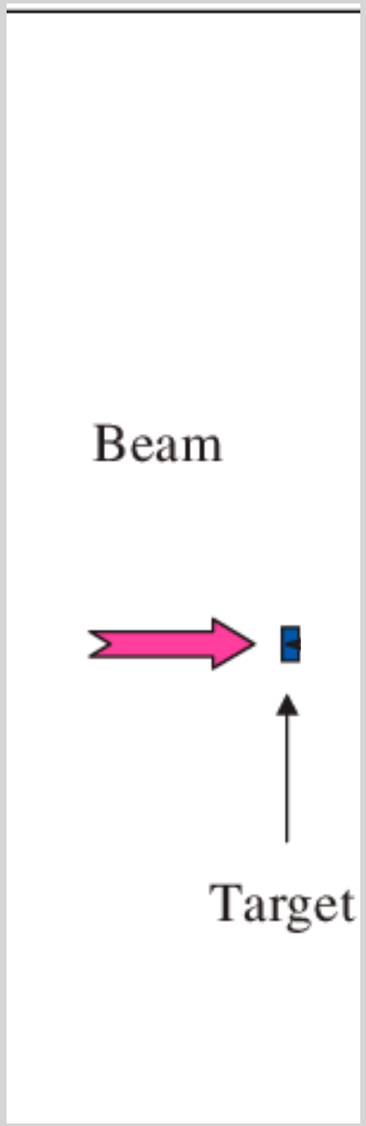
Fig. 1-2. The CERN neutrino beam lay-out.

Gargamelle

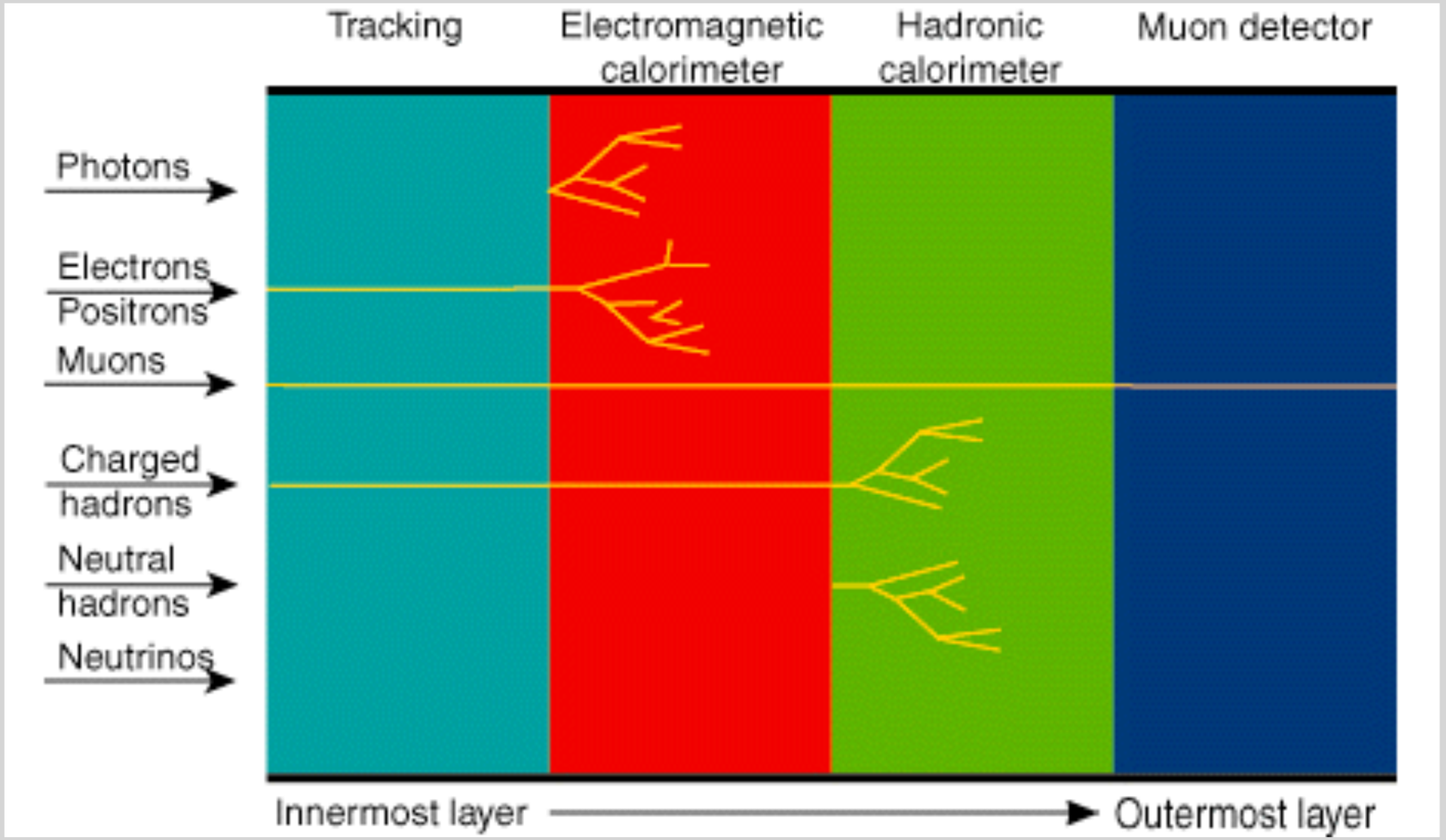




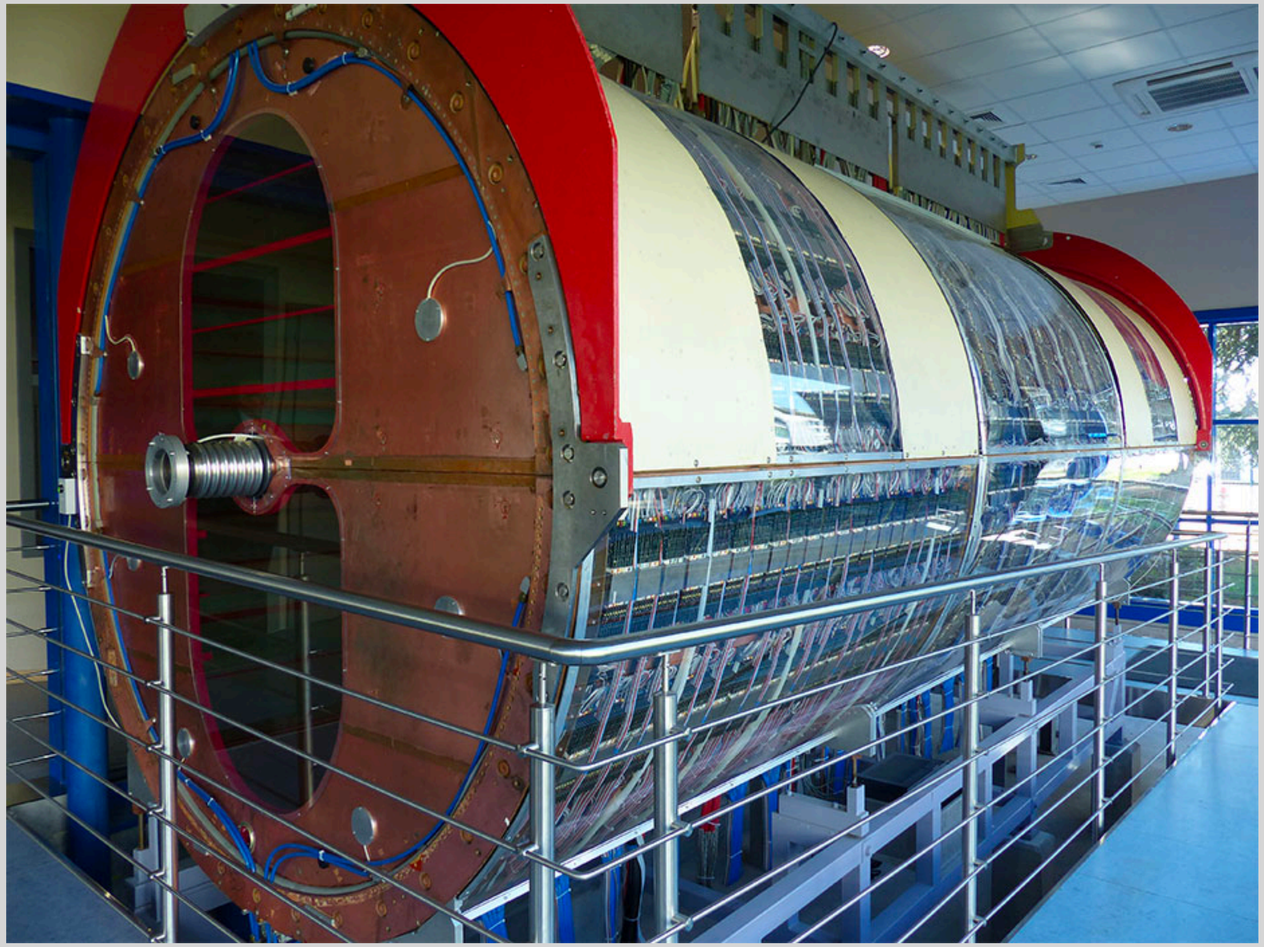
General Detector

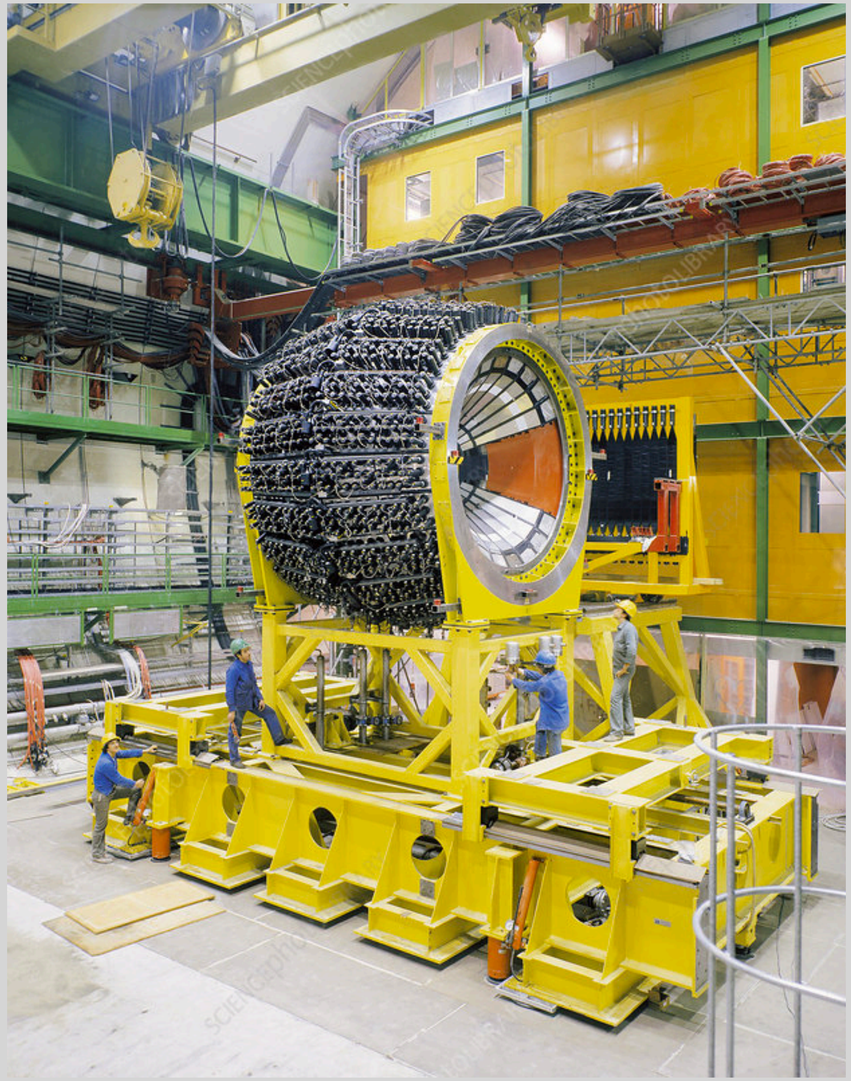


Particle Detection

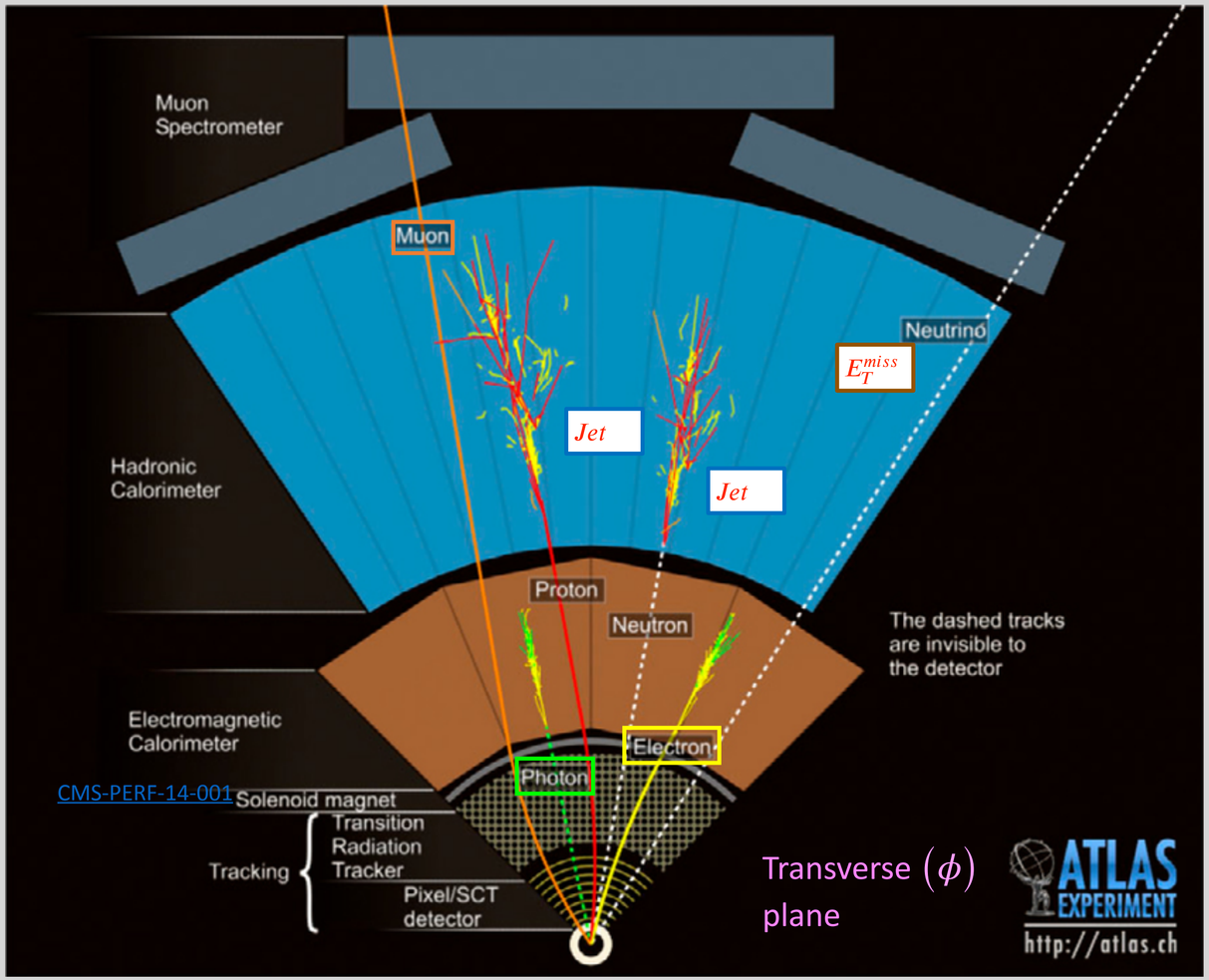


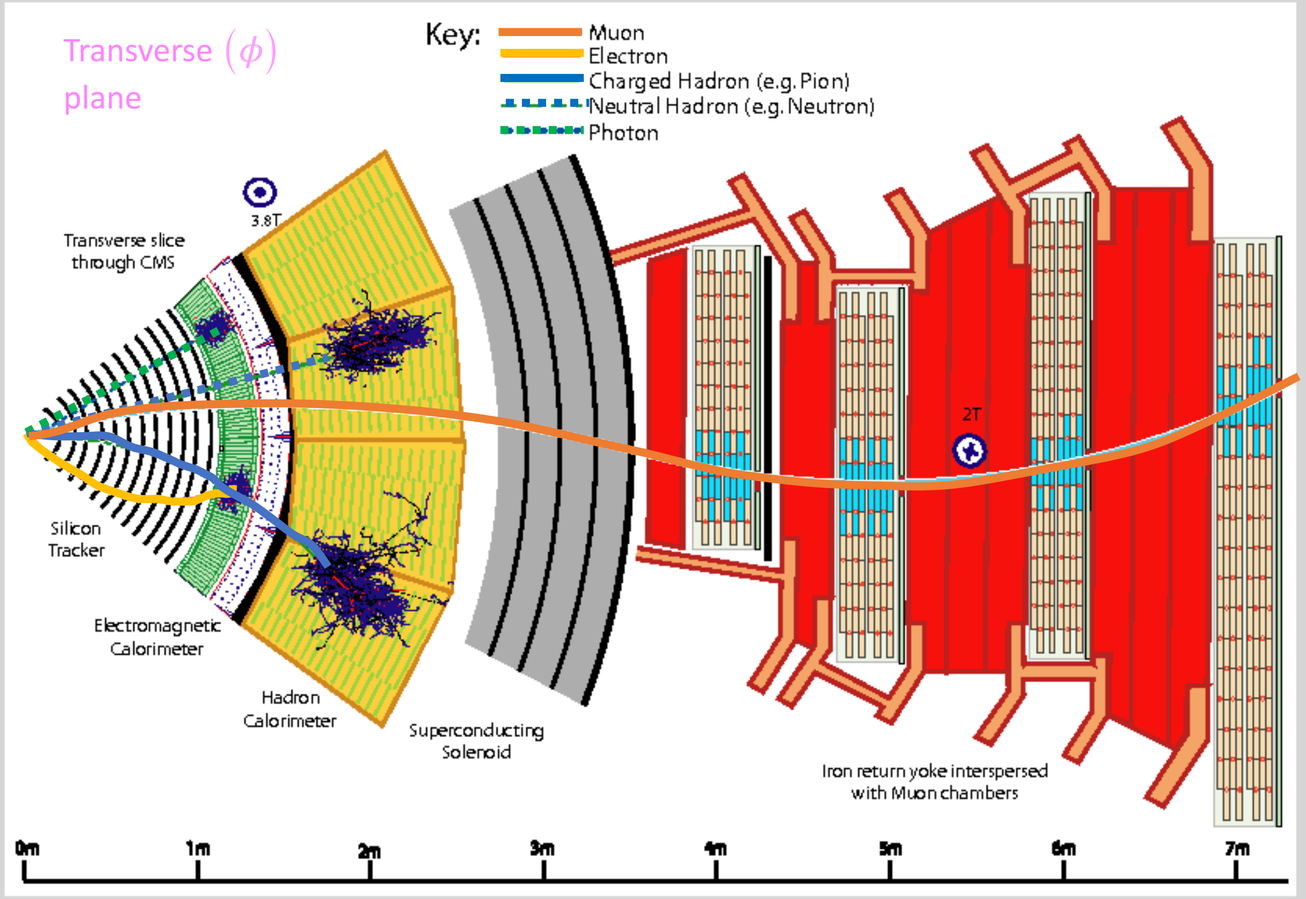
UA1 and UA2





Detecting Particles with ATLAS/CMS





Electron: Charged, EM

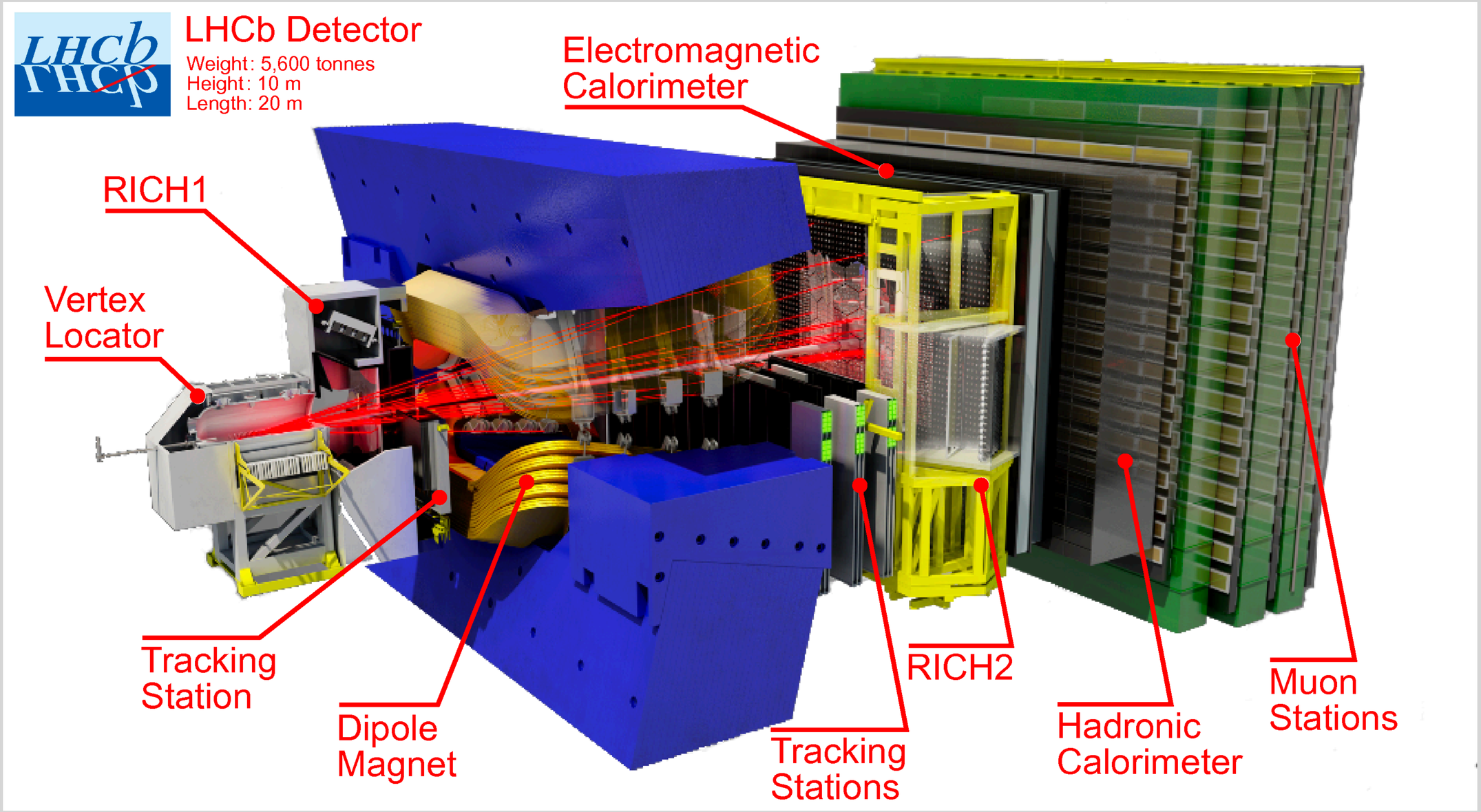
Photon: Neutral, EM

Muon: Charged, MIP

Jet: Calorimeter Object

E_T^{miss}: Missing Energy (Transverse)

LHCb


LHCb Detector
Weight: 5,600 tonnes
Height: 10 m
Length: 20 m
Electromagnetic Calorimeter
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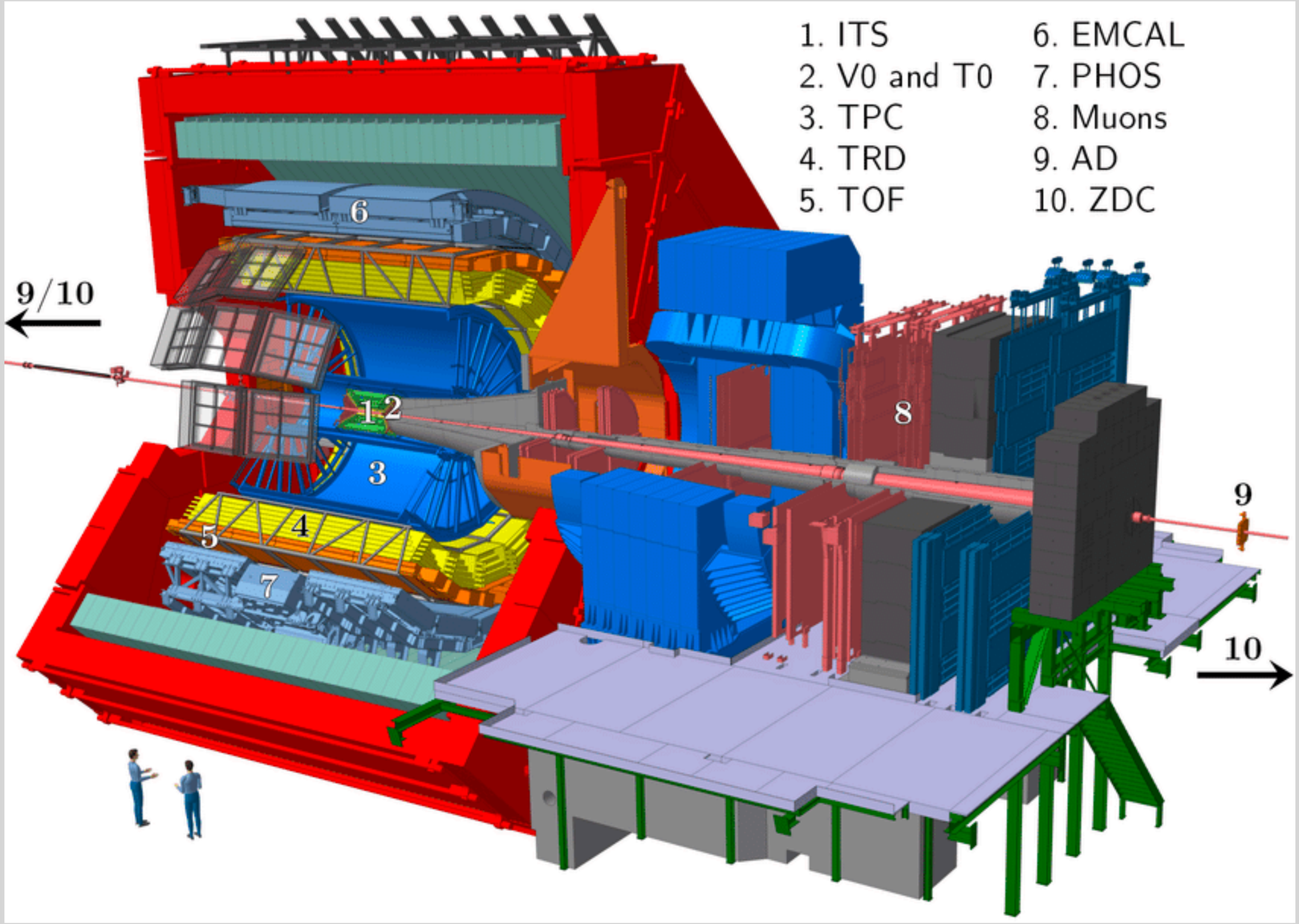
Vertex Locator
Tracking Station
Dipole Magnet
Tracking Stations
RICH2
Hadronic Calorimeter
Muon Stations

ALICE


1. ITS
2. V0 and T0
3. TPC
4. TRD
5. TOF
6. EMCAL
7. PHOS
8. Muons
9. AD
10. ZDC
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