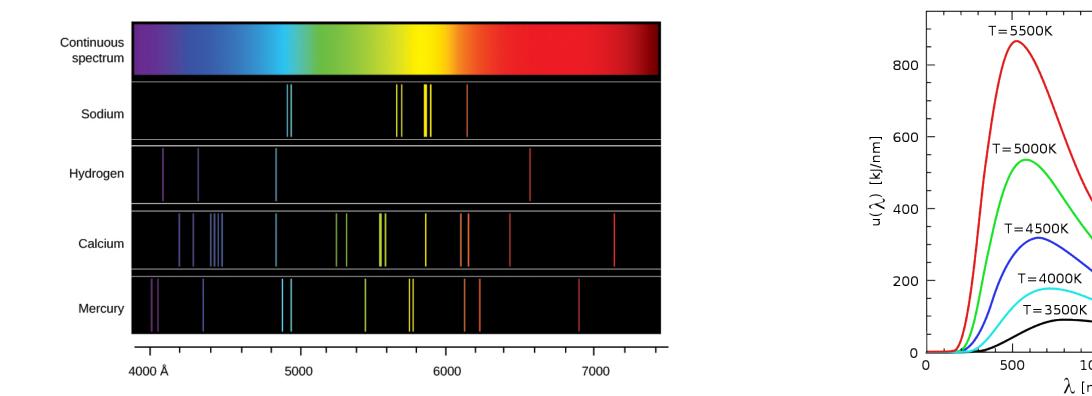
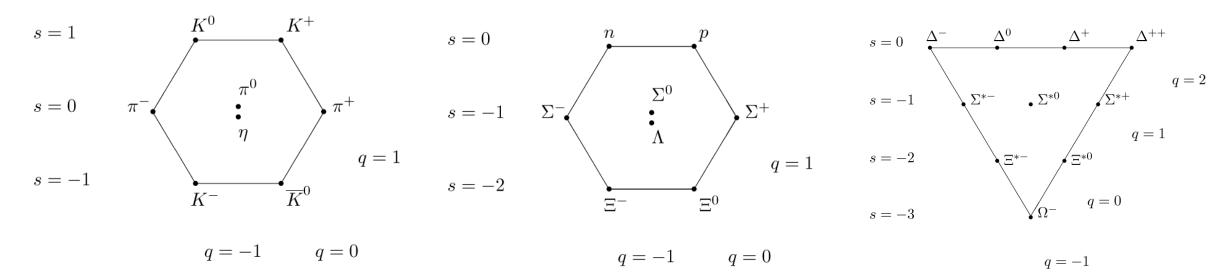
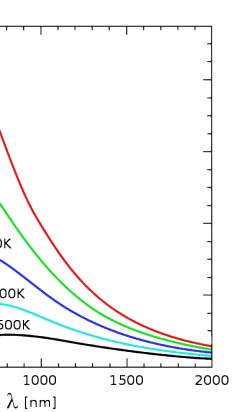
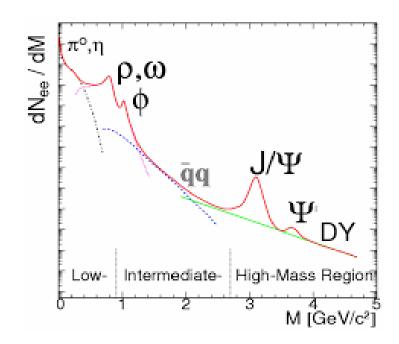
Spectral Lines, Blackbody Radiation \rightarrow Quantum Mechanics



Particle Zoo, Resonances \rightarrow Qarks, QCD







Particle Detectors

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History of Instrumentation ↔ History of Particle Physics

The 'Real' World of Particles

Interaction of Particles with Matter

Tracking Detectors, Calorimeters, Particle Identification

Detector Systems

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ON UNITARY REPRESENTATIONS OF THE INHOMOGENEOUS LORENTZ GROUP*

By E. WIGNER

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of the invariance of the transition probability we have

(1)
$$|\langle \varphi_l, \psi_l \rangle|^2 = |\langle \varphi_{l'}, \psi_{l'} \rangle$$

and it can be shown⁴ that the aforementioned constants in the $\varphi_{l'}$ can be chosen in such a way that the φ_i are obtained from the φ_i by a linear unitary operation, depending, of course, on l and l'

(2)
$$\varphi_{l'} = D(l', l)\varphi_l$$

By going over from a first system of reference l to a second $l' = L_1 l$ and then to a third $l'' = L_2 L_1 l$ or directly to the third $l'' = -(L_2 L_1) l$, one must obtain—apart from the above mentioned constant-the same set of wave functions. Hence from

$$\varphi_{l''} = D(l'', l')D(l', l)\varphi_l$$
$$\varphi_{l''} = D(l'', l)\varphi_l$$

it follows

(3)
$$D(l'', l')D(l', l) = \omega D(l'', l)$$

E. Wigner:

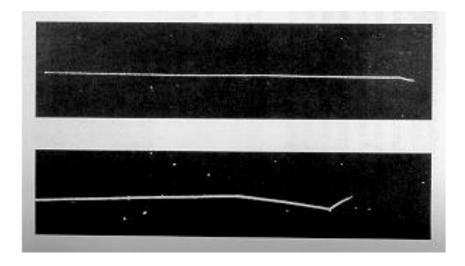
"A particle is an irreducible representation of the inhomogeneous Lorentz group"

Spin=0,1/2,1,3/2 ... Mass ≥ 0

Particle Detector

W. Riegler:

A particle detector is a classical device, that is collapsing wave functions of quantum mechanical states, which themselves are linear super positions of irreducible representations of the inhomogeneous Lorentz group (Poincare group).





Solvay Conference 1927, Einstein:

"A radioactive sample emits alpha particles in all directions; these are made visible by the method of the Wilson Cloud Chamber. Now, if one associates a spherical wave with each emission process, how can one understand that the track of each alpha particle appears as a (very nearly) straight line "

Born, Heisenberg:

"As soon as such an ionization is shown by the appearance of cloud droplets, in order to describe what happens afterwards one must reduce the wave packet in the immediate vicinity of the drops. One thus obtains a wave packet in the form of a ray, which corresponds to the corpuscular character of the phenomenon."

According to this reasoning the whole process is described in terms of the interaction of a quantum system (the alpha particle) with a classical measurement apparatus (the atoms of the vapour).

Nevill Mott (1929):

Assuming the atoms of the vapour also to be part of the quantum mechanical system, "... it is a little difficult to picture how it is that an outgoing spherical wave can produce a straight track; we think intuitively that it should ionise atoms at random throughout space."

Mott considers and example with and alpha particle at the origin, one hydrogen atom at position $\mathbf{a_1}$ and another hydrogen atom at $\mathbf{a_2}$, and the two hydrogen atoms only having EM interaction with the alpha particle:

[Mo] Mott N.F., The wave mechanics of α-ray tracks. Proc. R. Soc. Lond. A, 126, 79-84, 1929. Reprinted in: Wheeler J.A., Zurek W., Quantum Theory and Measurement, Princeton University Press, 1983.

Main objects of the investigation are periodic solutions $F(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r_1}, \mathbf{r_2})e^{iEt/\hbar}$ of the Schrödinger equation for the three particle system, where $\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r_1}, \mathbf{r_2}$ denote the coordinates of the α -particle and of the two hydrogen atom electrons respectively. The function F (depending parametrically on E) is solution of the stationary Schrödinger equation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M}\Delta_R F + \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\Delta_{r_1} - \frac{e^2}{|\boldsymbol{r_1} - \boldsymbol{a_1}|}\right)F + \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\Delta_{r_2} - \frac{e^2}{|\boldsymbol{r_2} - \boldsymbol{a_2}|}\right)F - \left(\frac{2e^2}{|\boldsymbol{R} - \boldsymbol{r_1}|} + \frac{2e^2}{|\boldsymbol{R} - \boldsymbol{r_2}|}\right)F = EF$$

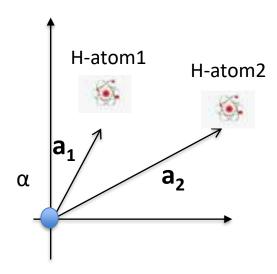
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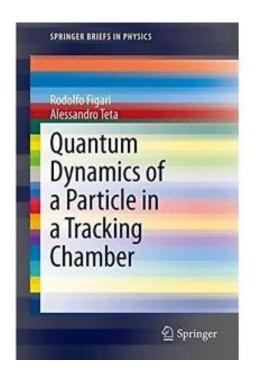
where Δ_x is the laplacian with respect to the coordinate x, M is the mass of the α -particle, m is the mass of the electron, -e is the charge of the electron so that 2e is the charge of the α -particle.

Result: The two hydrogen atoms cannot both be excited (or ionized) unless a_1 , a_1 and the origin lie on the same straight line. (see Also Werner Heisenberg, Chicago lectures 1930)

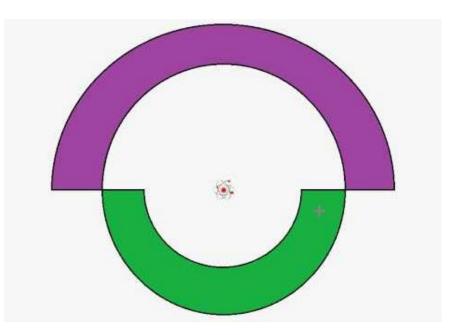
This example (i.e. moving the boundary between the quantum system and classical measurements device) is also used by S. Coleman in the lecture Quantum Mechanics in Your Face [1994] <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EtyNMIXN-sw</u>







Renninger's negative-result experiment (1953)



A radioactive atom (emitting and alpha particle) is placed in the center of a detector that consists of two hemispheres and that are 100% efficient to alpha particles.

Considering the second (purple) hemisphere to be very large, the absence of the a signal on the green detector after a given time will indicate that the alpha particle will hit the purple detector.

The QM analysis will come out right, with a given probability for the red or the green part to fire and zero probability that both fire.

The semi-classical analysis is however confusing: The wave-function has collapsed although there was no measurement performed with the green detector ? A non measurement collapses a wave-function ?

W. Riegler:

"...a particle is an object that interacts with your detector such that you can follow it's track,

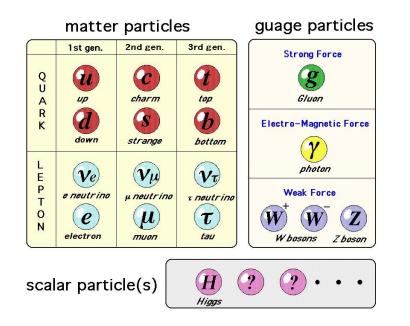
it interacts also in your readout electronics and will break it after some time,

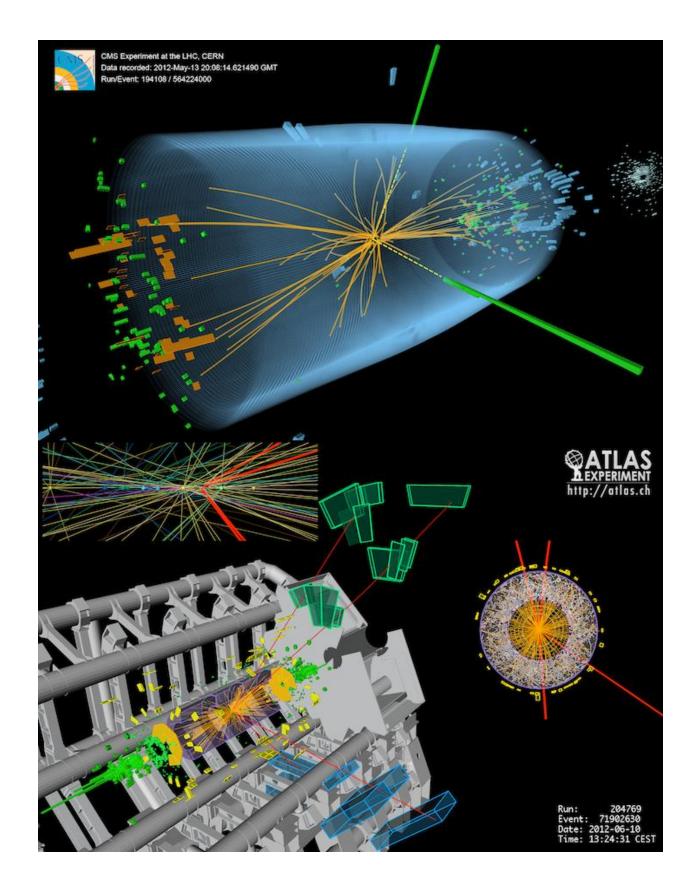
and if you a silly enough to stand in an intense particle beam for some time you will be dead ..."

Elektro-Weak Lagrangian

$$\begin{split} L_{GSW} &= L_{0} + L_{H} + \sum_{l} \left\{ \frac{g}{2} \overline{L}_{l} \gamma_{\mu} \overline{\tau} L_{l} \overline{A}^{\mu} + g' \Big[\overline{R}_{l} \gamma_{\mu} R_{l} + \frac{1}{2} \overline{L}_{l} \gamma_{\mu} L_{l} \Big] B^{\mu} \right\} + \\ &+ \frac{g}{2} \sum_{q} \overline{L}_{q} \gamma_{\mu} \overline{\tau} L_{q} \overline{A}^{\mu} + \\ &+ g' \Big\{ \frac{1}{6} \sum_{q} \left[\overline{L}_{q} \gamma_{\mu} L_{q} + 4 \overline{R}_{q} \gamma_{\mu} R_{q} \right] + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{q'} \overline{R}_{q'} \gamma_{\mu} R_{q'} \Big\} B^{\mu} \\ &- \frac{L_{H}}{2} (\partial_{\mu} H)^{2} - m_{H}^{2} H^{2} - h \lambda H^{3} - \frac{h}{4} H^{4} + \\ &+ \frac{g^{2}}{4} (W_{\mu}^{+} W^{\mu} + \frac{1}{2 \cos^{2} \theta_{W}} Z_{\mu} Z^{\mu}) (\lambda^{2} + 2 \lambda H + H^{2}) + \\ &+ \sum_{l,q,q'} (\frac{m_{l}}{\lambda} \overline{l} l + \frac{m_{q}}{\lambda} \overline{q} q + \frac{m_{q'}}{\lambda} \overline{q'} q') H \end{split}$$

Higgs Particle





$$p \sim uud$$
, QED
 $n \sim udd$
 $n \sim udd$
 $\overline{n} \sim ud$, \overline{ud} , $\frac{1}{\overline{n}}(u\overline{u} - d\overline{a})$
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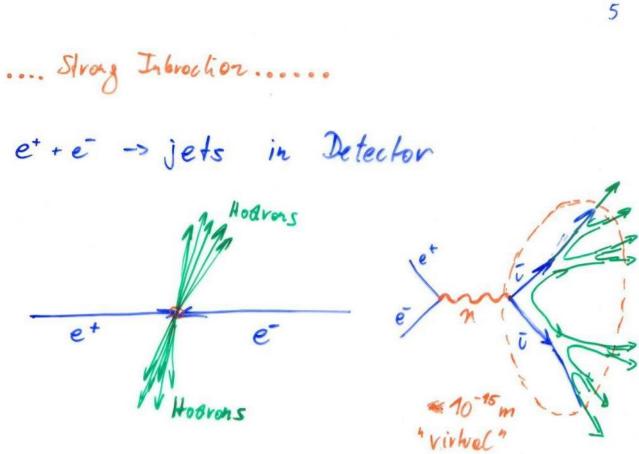
 $\begin{pmatrix} e \\ \nu_e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mu \\ \nu_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma \\ \nu_a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi \\ d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e} \\ \mathbf{y}_{e} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y}_{a} \\ \mathbf{y}_{a} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{y}_{a} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y}_{a} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y}_{a} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z} \\ -\mathbf{z} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{s} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{f} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}$ Weak Interaction Wt, 2° Electronagnetic Interaction p-Photon Neutral Current: Scattering: E+E => E+E Muon Decoy: 1 No no yn + E + Ve Ahihilohion: et m et te -> mt+m $\frac{e^{+}}{1}$ Nerton Decay: Brenssheling: e- e+ Alon -> e+ p+ Alon ns e- e- e+ p+ Alon H Production :

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 $\frac{1}{0} \begin{pmatrix} e \\ \gamma_e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} n \\ \gamma_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_y \\ \gamma_y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{3}{3} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ Strong Interaction g Gluons V Tota Proton Self Inbrochion < q mm q > " Confinement" mo. 9 g Jet 1 n Jet2

et + e -> jets in Detector Hodrons e+ e

e.g. Two jets of Hobrons ore "spraying" eway from the Interoction Point.

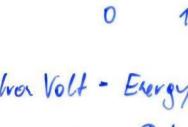


Over the last century this "Stondord Model" of Fundamental Physics was discovered by sludying Radioactivity Cosnic Roys Porticle Collisions (Accelerators)

A lorge variety of Detectors and experimental techniques home been developed during this time.

Makinal Culture of Particle Physics

 $E = Ma^2$ $E = m b^2$ m(electron) = 9.1.10-31 kg Mec2 = 8.19.10-14 J = 0.511 MeV



1 Electron Volt - Energy on Electron goins as it traverses a Polential Difference of 1V

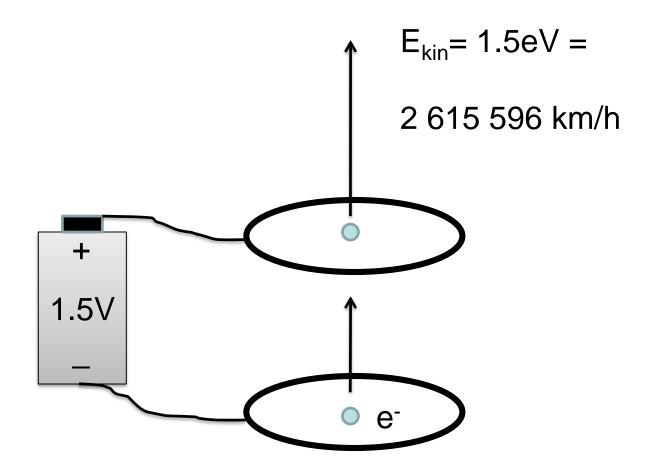
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= 510 999 Electron Volt (eV)

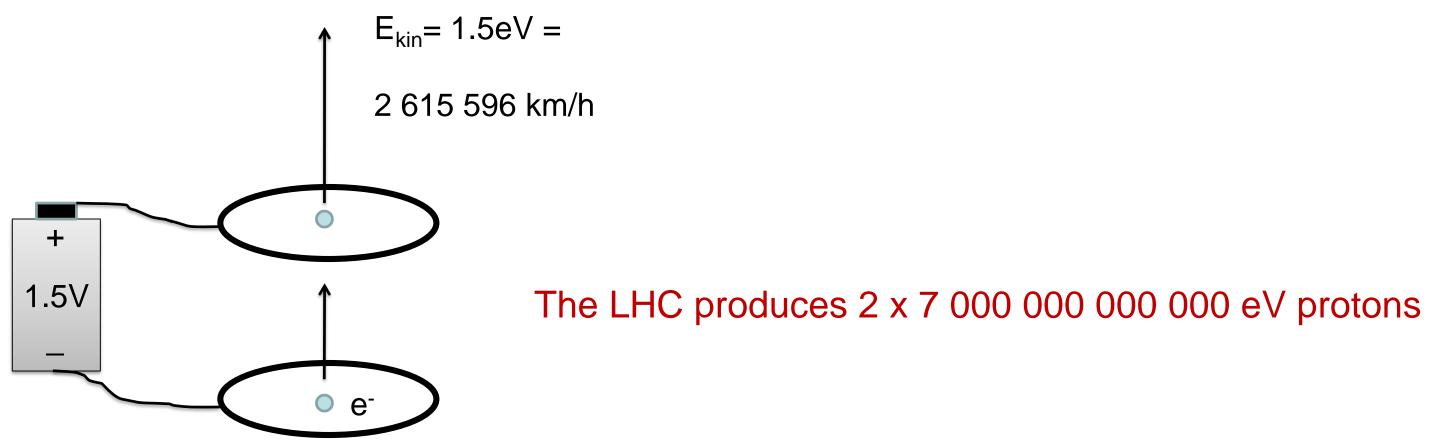
1 Electron Volt = e. 1V = 1.603.10-19 J

 $E = e_0 \cdot 1V$

Build your own Accelerator



Build your own Accelerator



Scales

Visible Light: 2=500mm, hv ~2.5 eV Exciled Sholes in Alons: 1-100 keV "X-Rays" Nuclear Physics: 1-50 MeV E.g: 30 Y -> B -> e with En= 2.283 MeV E,= mec2 (p-1) mec2 - 0.511 MeV $\gamma = \frac{E_k}{mer^2} + 1 \sim 5.5$ B= Z= 1- (mec2)2 ~ 0.98 -> Highly Relativistic $E_{kin}=mc^2 \rightarrow mc^2(\gamma-1)=mc^2 \rightarrow \gamma = 2 \rightarrow \beta = 0.87$ Eg: 35 Am -> d wik En = 5.486 MeV, m.c¹ = 3.75 GeV p~ 1.0015 /3~ 0.054 -> 16.2.10 m/s Parkicle Physics: 1-1000 GeV (LUC 14 TeV) Highen Measures Energy: 10 20 eV (Casnic Roys)

Lorentz Boost

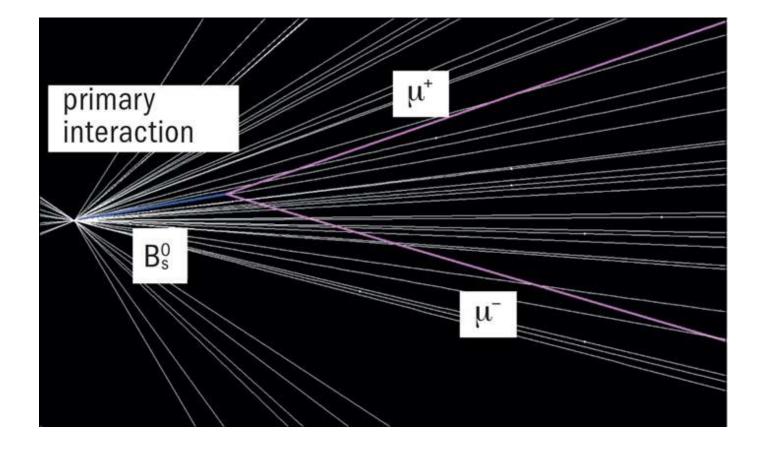
Lovert Boost:

E.g. Produced by Cosmic Rays (p, He, Li ...) colliding with air in the upper Almosphere ~ 10 km S= 19. y ~ C. y = 660m But we see Muons here on Earth En~2GeV, mc2=105 MeV -> ~~19 Relativity: 3=3.7 S= C. 3 = 12.5 km - Earth Pions: Tot, TOT &~ 2.6. 10"s, mac2 - 135 MeV 2 GeV -> s= 115m Pions where discovered in Environs exposed to Counic Roys on high nour toins.





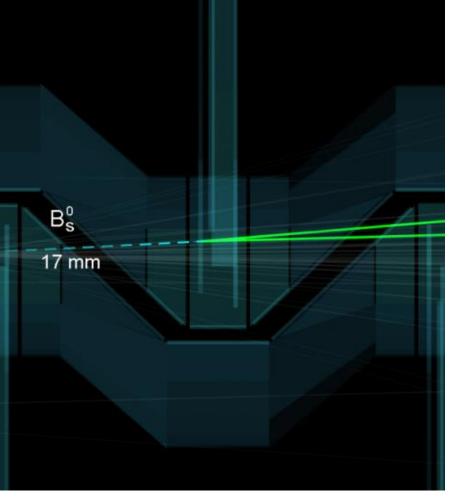
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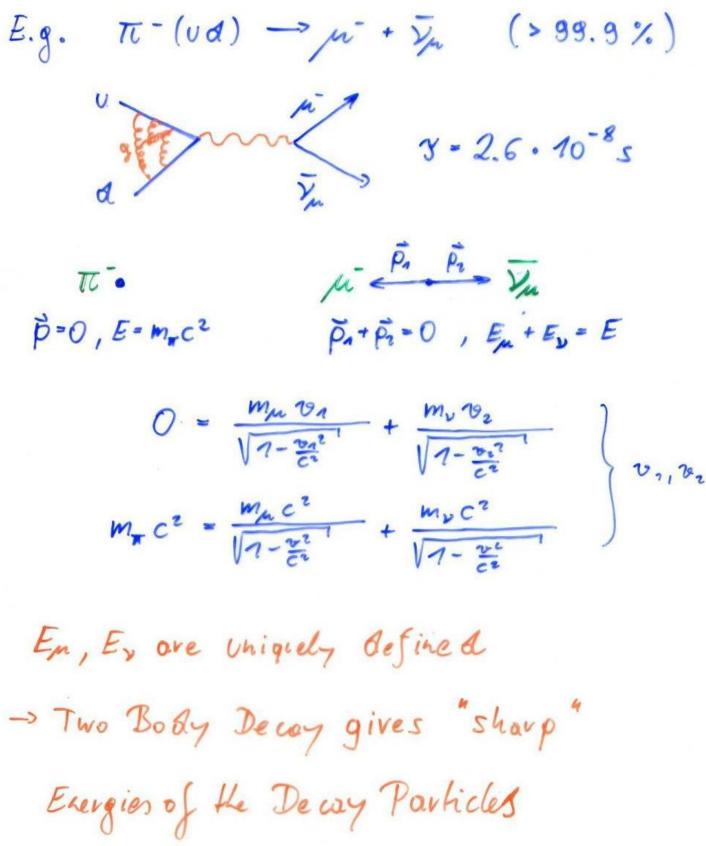


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> pp collision point



Two Body Decay



Basics: Three Body Decay

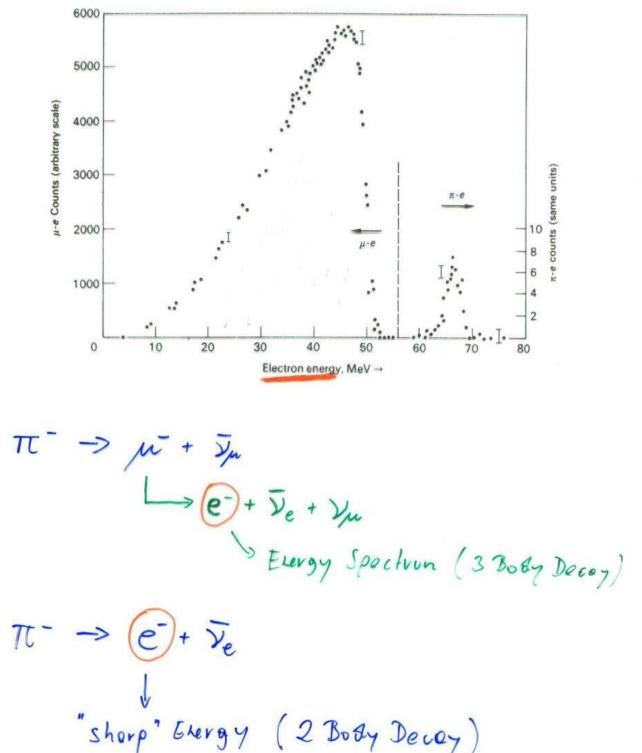
1320 in: 15 Rodiooclivity Nucl_ -> Nucl_ + e' Visible But: e shows a continuous Energy Spectrum -> W. Porti proposed on "invisible" Particle -> >

n-p+e+ Ve

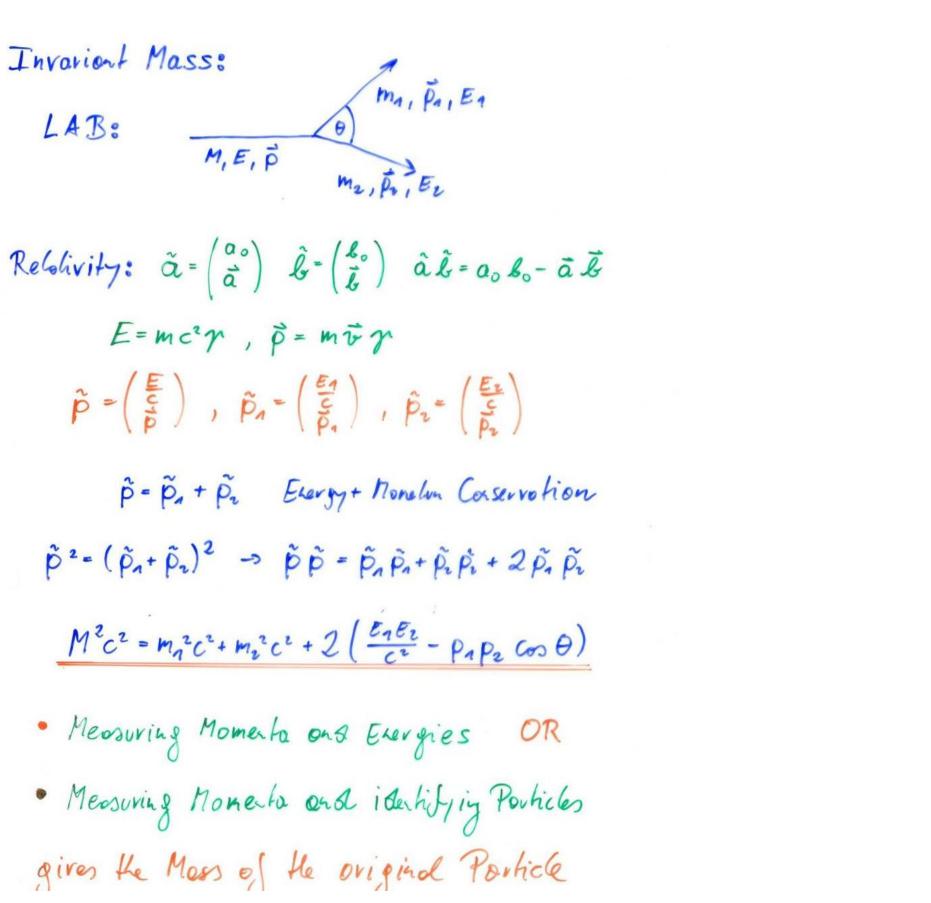
For > 2 Body Decay, the Energy Spectrum of the decay particles depends on the Nohre of the Interaction. Kinenotics alone doesn't defie the Exergices.

Two Body and Three Body Decay

Stopping Pions and measuring the becay electron Spectrum:



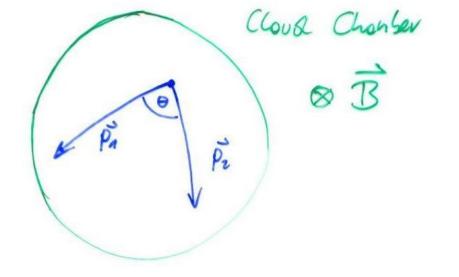
Invariant Mass



Invariant Mass

Borics

E.g: Discovery of Vo Porticles



 $\Lambda^{\circ} \rightarrow p^{+} + \pi^{-}$

"If 1 is a Probon and 2 is a Pion the Moss of the V° particle is "

I Sectification is the Experiment by looking of the spacific Ionitation (see low)







Lifetime of a Particle \rightarrow Exponential distribution

What is the probability P(t)dt that the muon will decay between time t and t+dt after starting to measure it – independently of how long it lived before ?

Probability p that it decays within the time interval dt after starting to measure = p=P(0) dt = c_1 dt.

Probability that is does NOT decay in n time intervals dt but the (n+1)st time interval $= (1 - p)^n p \approx exp(-n p) p$ with $p = c_1 dt$.

n time intervals of dt means a time of t = n dt \rightarrow

Probability that the particle decays between time t and t+dt = Exp(c_1 t) c_1 dt = P(t) dt !

 $\rightarrow \underline{P(I)} = \underline{c_1} e^{-\underline{c_1}t} \rightarrow Expand Distribution$ $S = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t c_1 e^{-\underline{c_1}t} = \frac{1}{\underline{c_1}} \qquad \text{Averge Lifetime}$ $P(t) = \frac{1}{3}e^{-\frac{t}{3}}$ y="Life time" "A Porticle has a lifetime of means: The Probability that it Decays at time t after starting to measure it (instepedent of what hoppened before) is $P(t) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$

Known Particles

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~ 180 Selected Particles

N, W, Z, Q, E, M, J, Ve, Vm, Vy, TC, TC, M, fo(660), g(20), w (782), y' (1558), to (380), Qo (380), \$(1020), ha (1170), ba (1235), $\alpha_1(1260), f_2(1270), f_1(1285), \gamma(1295), \pi(1300), \alpha_2(1320),$ 10 (1370), 1, (1420), w (1420), y (1440), a, (1450), g (1450), $A_{0}(1500), A_{2}(1525), \omega(1650), \omega_{3}(1670), \pi_{2}(1670), \phi(1680),$ 93 (1690), g (1700), fo (1710), TC (1800), \$ (1850), \$ (2010), a4 (2040), 14 (2050), 12 (2300), 12 (2340), K¹, K°, K°, K°, K° (892), K, (1270), K, (1400), K* (1410), K, (1430), K, (1430), K* (1680), K, (1770), K, (1780), K, (1820), K, (2045), D, D, D, D' (2007), $D^* (2010)^{t}$, $D_{a} (2420)^{\circ}$, $D_{a}^* (2460)^{\circ}$, $D_{a}^* (2460)^{t}$, D_{a}^{t} , D_{a}^{s} , Ds, (2536)*, Ds, (2573)", B*, B°, B*, Bs, Bt, Me (15), J/4(15), Xco (1P), Xco (1P), Xco (1P), W(2S), W(3770), W(4040), W(4160), ψ (4415), γ (15), X to (1P), X to (1P), X to (1P), γ (25), X to (2P), X32 (2P), T (35), T (45), T (10860), T (11020), p, n, N(1440), N(1520), N(1535), N(1650), N(1675), N(1680), N(1700), N(1710), $N(1720), N(2190), N(2220), N(2250), N(2600), \Delta(1232), \Delta(1600),$ A (1620), A (1700), A (1905), A (1910), A (1920), A (1930), A (1950), $A(2420), \Lambda, \Lambda(1405), \Lambda(1520), \Lambda(1600), \Lambda(1670), \Lambda(1690),$ Λ (1800), Λ (1810), Λ (1820), Λ (1830), Λ (1890), Λ (2100), $\Lambda(2110), \Lambda(2350), \Sigma^{+}, \Sigma^{\circ}, \Sigma^{-}, \Sigma(1385), \Sigma(1660), \Sigma(1670),$ $\Sigma(1750), \Sigma(1775), \Sigma(1915), \Sigma(1940), \Sigma(2030), \Sigma(2250), \Xi^{\circ}, \Xi^{-},$ \equiv (1530), \equiv (1690), \equiv (1820), \equiv (1950), \equiv (2030), Ω^{-} , Ω (2250), $\Lambda_{c_1}^{\dagger}, \Lambda_{c_1}^{\dagger}, \Sigma_{c_1}(2455), \Sigma_{c_1}(2520), \Xi_{c_1}^{\dagger}, \Xi_{c_1}^{\circ}, \Xi_{c_1}^{\circ},$ $\Xi_{c}(2780), \Xi_{c}(2815), \Omega_{c}, \Lambda_{b}^{\circ}, \Xi_{b}, \Xi_{b}, t\bar{t}$

There are Many move

All known particles that can leave a track in the detector

All Povhichs with cr > 1 pm @ GeV Level				19
Particle Mass (nev) Life time y (s) Cy				
γ π ^I (uā, dī)	140	2.6.10-8	7.8 m	
$K^{\pm}(u\bar{s},\bar{u}s)$		1.2.10-8	3.7 m	
$k^{\circ}(\delta s, \delta s)$		5.7 . 10-8 8.9 . 10-11	15.5m 2.7 cm	
$D^{\pm}(c\bar{a},\bar{c}a)$		1.0 - 10 - 12	315 pm	
D° (cū,vē)		4.1.10-13	123 pm	
$D_s^{\dagger}(c\bar{s},\bar{c}s)$	1969	4.9.10-13	147mm	c
BI (w, su)	5279	1.7.10-12	502	Seconday Verticos"
B° (62,03)	5279	1.5 - 10-12	462 mm	1644100
$B_{s}^{\circ}(s\overline{5},\overline{s}b)$	5370	1.5.10-12	438 jum	
$B_c^{\pm}(c\bar{b},\bar{c}b)$	~6400	~ 5.10-13	150 pm	
p (uud)	938.3	> 1033 Y	~	
n (udd)	939.6	885.7s	2.655 . 108	³ Km
$\Lambda^{\circ}(uds)$	1115.7	2.6.10-10	7.89 cm	
$\sum^{+}(uus)$	1189.4	8.0.10-11	2.404 cm	
$\sum (das)$	1197.4	1.5.10-10	4.434 cm	
$\Xi^{\circ}(uss)$	1315	2.9.10-10	8.71cm	
$\Xi^{-}(dss)$	1321	1.6.10-10	4.91 cm	
<u> </u> (sss)	1672	8.2.10-11	2.467 cm	
Λ_c^+ (udc)	2285	~ 2.10-13	60 pm	
Ic (use)	2466	4.4.10-13	132 pm	
$\Xi_c^{\circ}(dcs)$	2472	~1.10-43	29 mm	
-∩c° (ssc)	2698	6.0.10-14	19 mm	
Λ_{b} (uds)	5620	1.2-10-12	368 mm	

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Task of a Detector

From the 'hundreds' of Particles lisked by the PDG there are only ~27 with a life time cr >~ 1 mm i.e. they can be seen as 'tracks' in a Detector.

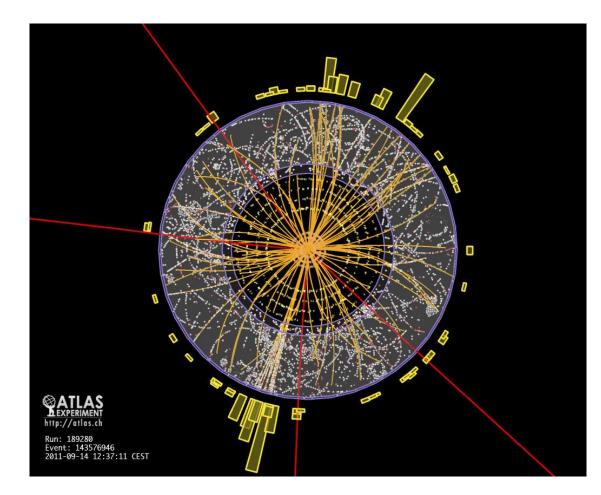
13 of the 27 have cs < 500 µm i.e.
only mm range at GeV Energies.
⇒ "short" Ivochs measured with Emulsions or Verkx Detectors.

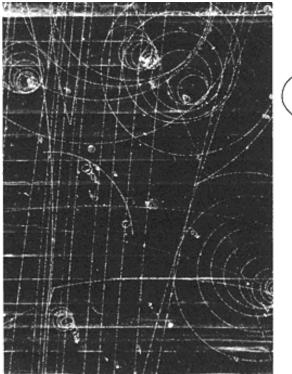
From the ~ 14 remaining possibles $e^{\pm}, \mu^{\pm}, \gamma, \pi^{\pm}, K^{\pm}, K^{\circ}, p^{\pm}, n$

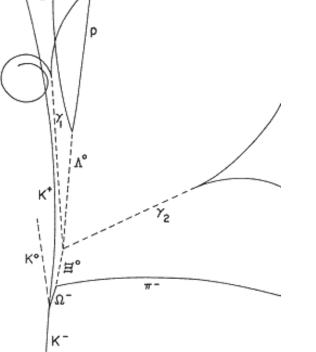
are by far the most frequent ones

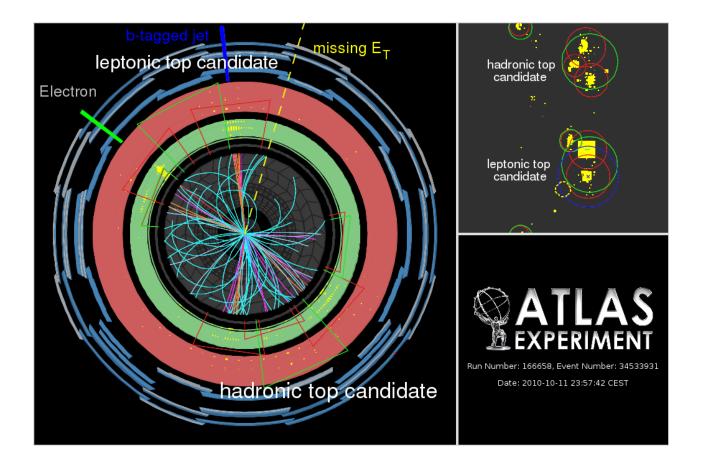
A porticle Delector null be able to identify and measure Energy and Momenta of Hese <u>8</u> porticles.

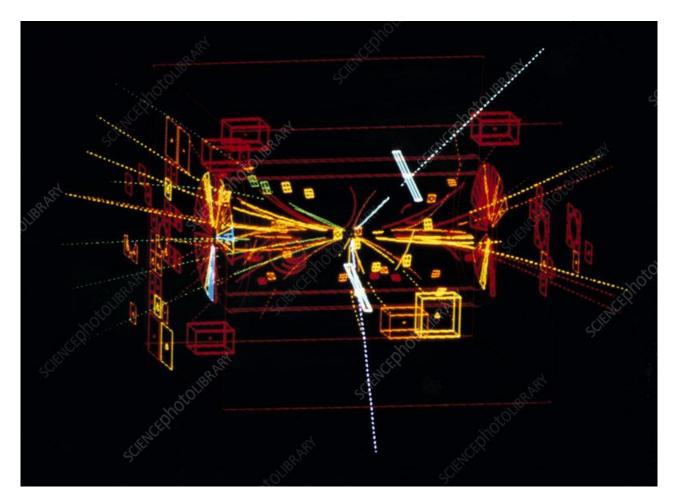












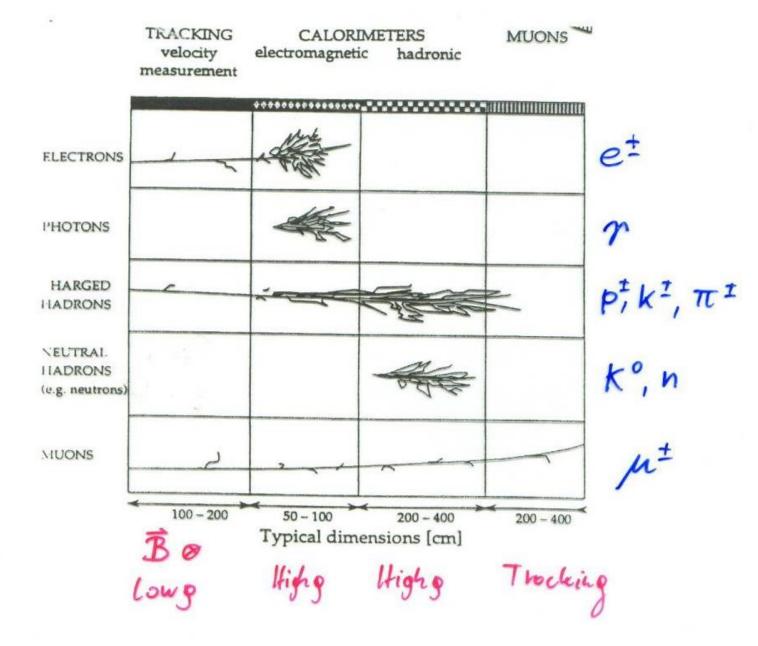
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Interactions of the 8 particles

 $e^{\pm} m_e = 0.511 \, MeV$ $\mu^{\pm} m_{\mu} = 105.7 \, MeV \sim 200 \, me$ EM $\gamma m_{p} = 0, Q = 0$ π= m_π = 139.6 MeV ~ 270 me FM, Strong Kt mk = 493.7 MeV ~ 1000 me ~ 3.5 mm p= mp = 938.3 MeV ~ 2000 me $K^{\circ} = 497.7 \text{ MeV } Q = 0$ h = 939.6 MeV Q = 0 } Strong

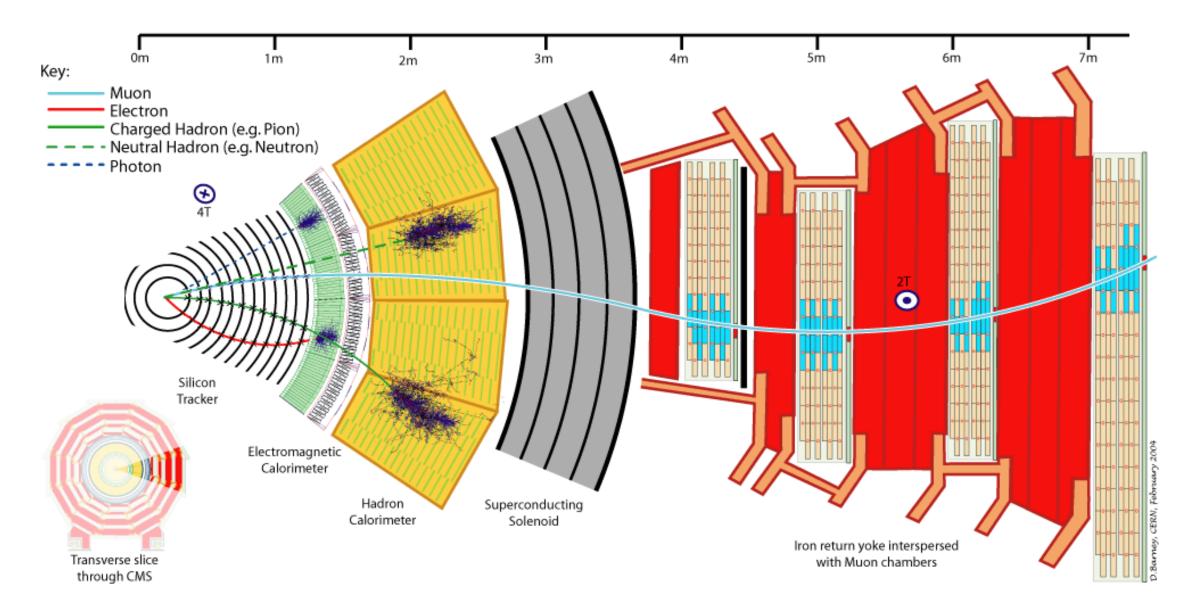
The Difference in the Mass, Charge, Interection is the key to the Identification

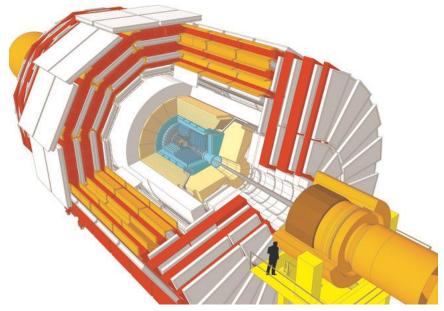
Task of a Particle Detector

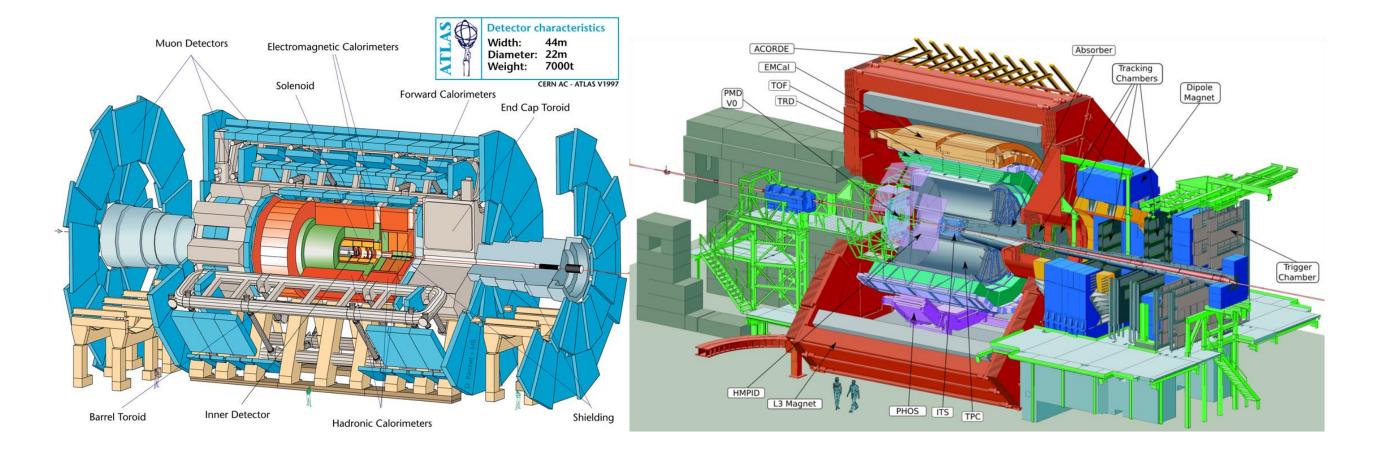


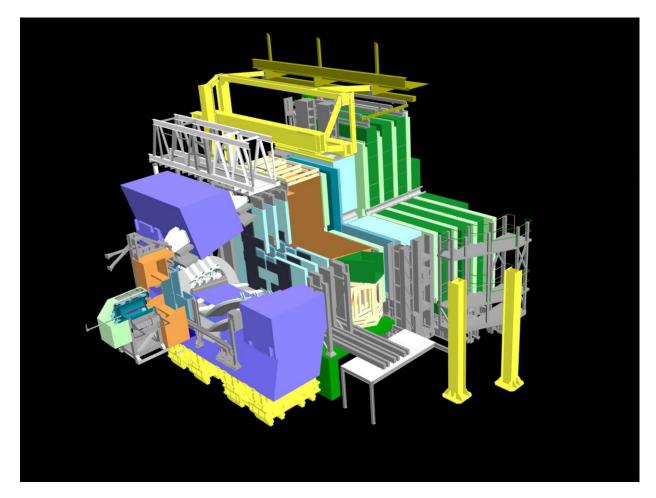
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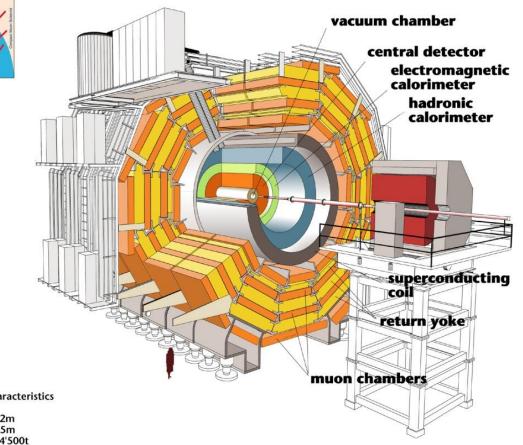
CMS Detector









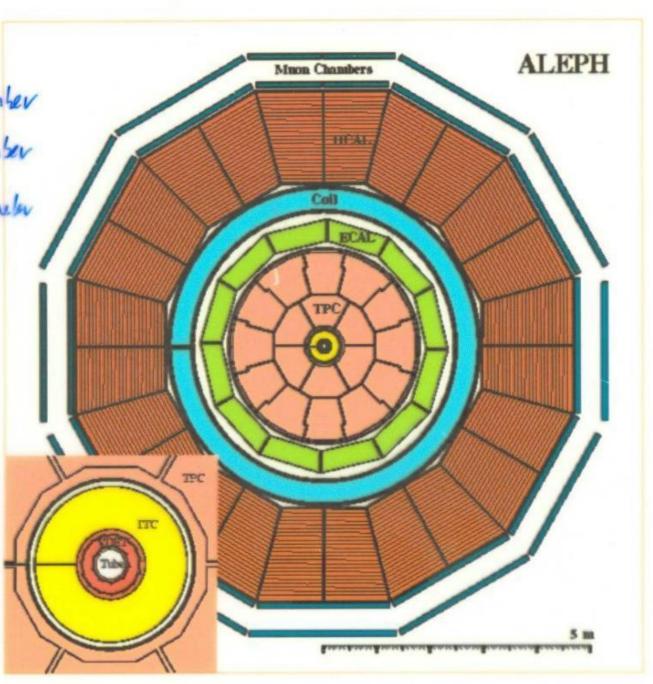


Detector characteristics

Width: 22m Diameter: 15m Weight: 14'500t

ALEPH detector (LEP 1988 - 2000)

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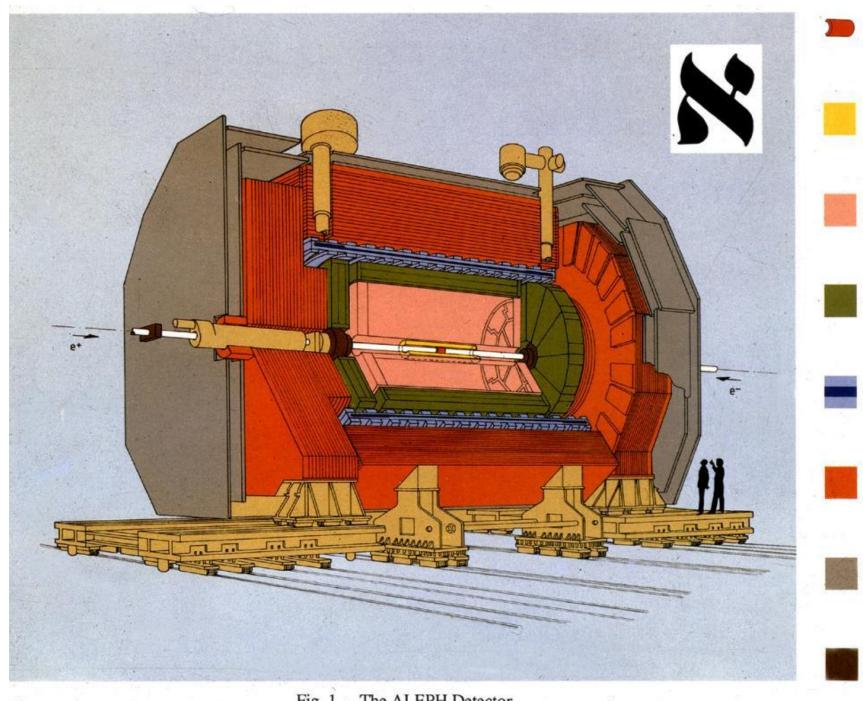


Fig. 1 - The ALEPH Detector



Vertex Detector

Inner Track Chamber

Time Projection Chamber

Electromagnetic Calorimeter

Superconducting Magnet Coil

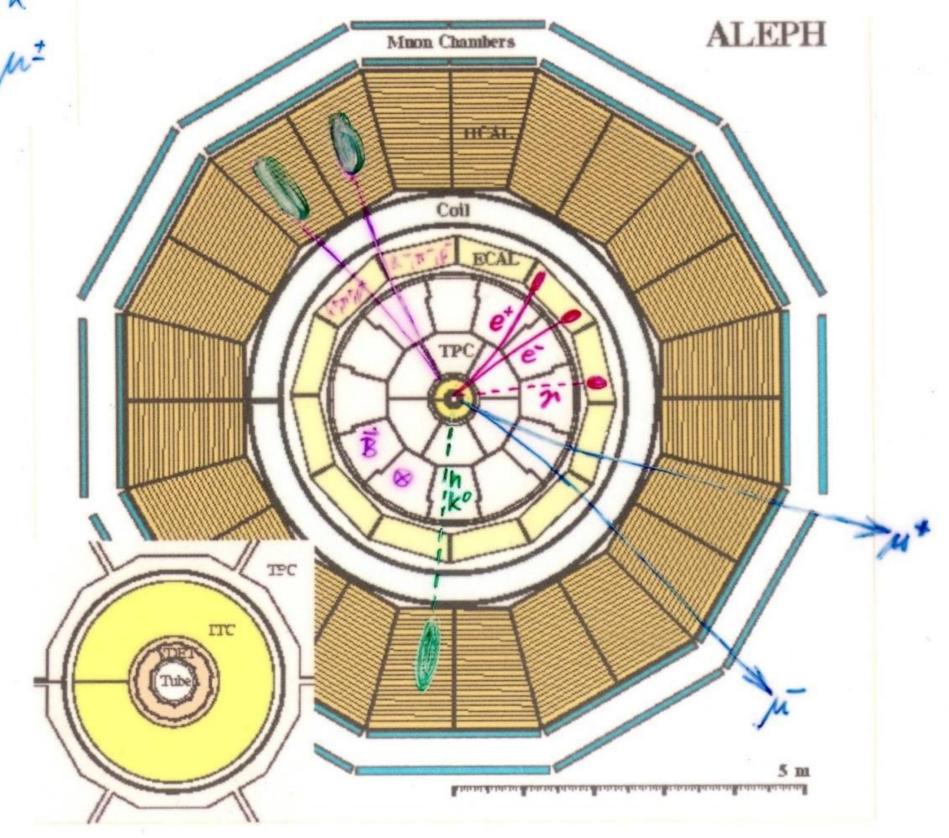
Hadron Calorimeter

Muon Detection Chambers



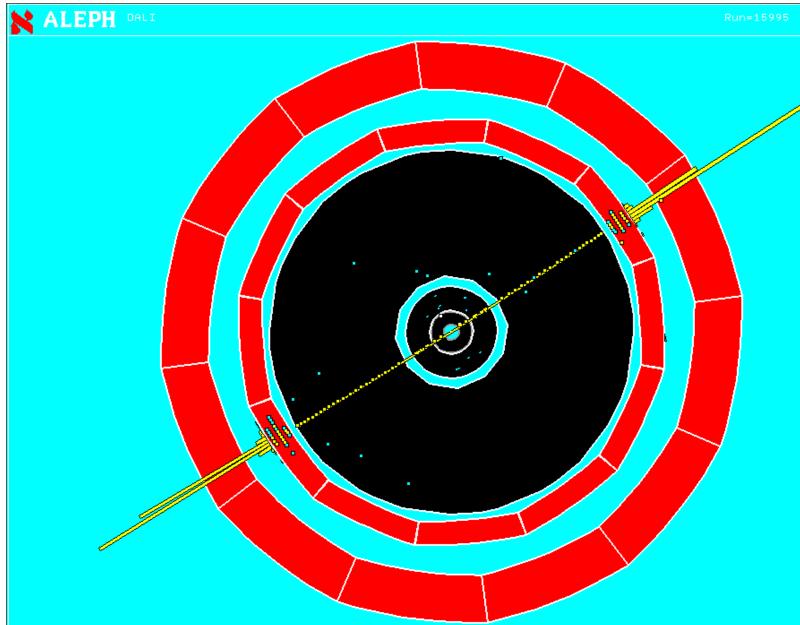
 $\gamma, e^{\pm}, \pi^{\pm}, k^{\pm}$ $K^{\circ}, p, n, \mu^{\pm}$

ALEPH detector (LEP 1988 - 2000)



$Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

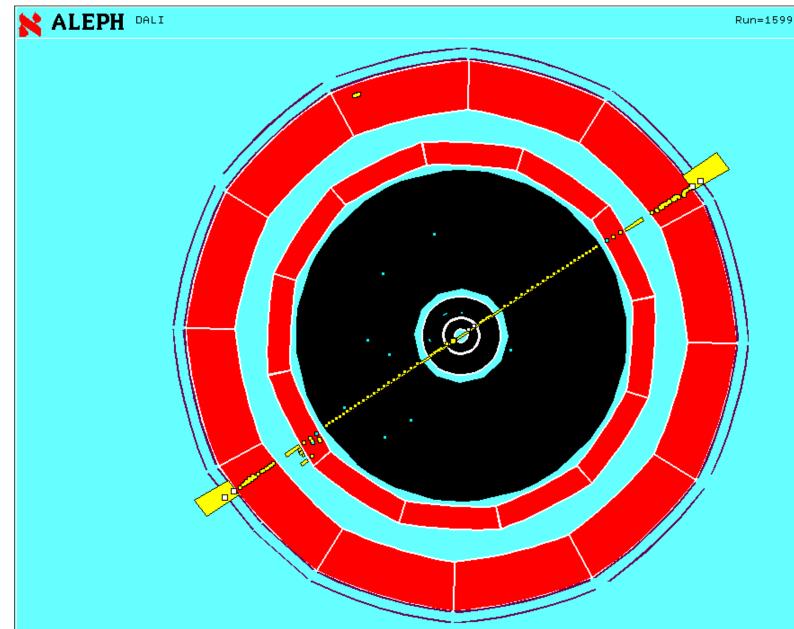
Two high momentum charged particles depositing energy in the Electro Magnetic Calorimeter



Evt=2012

$Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

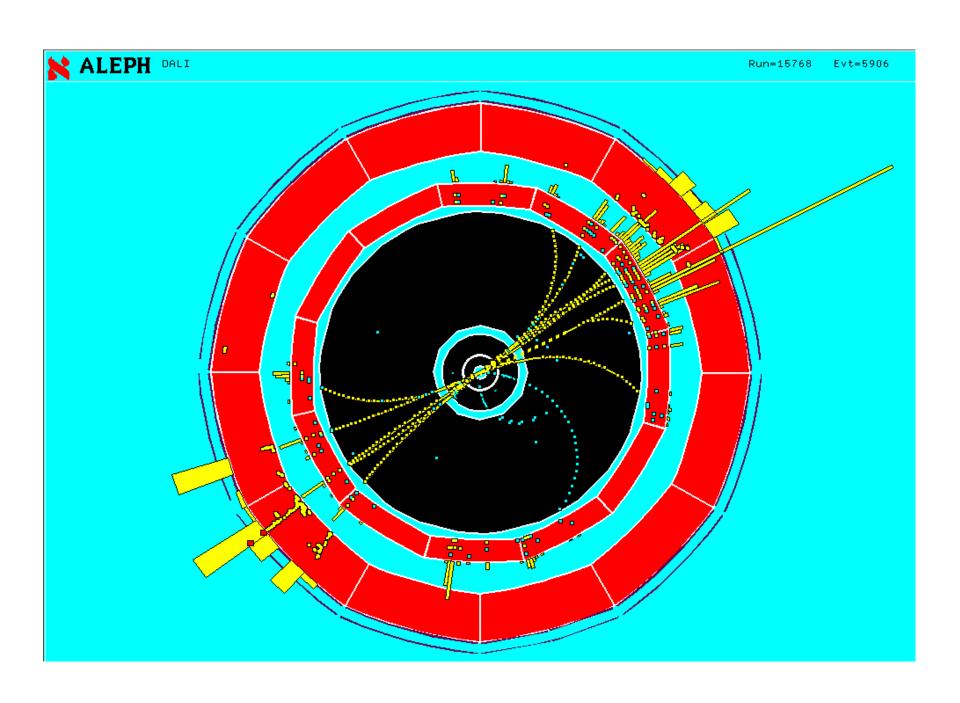
Two high momentum charged particles traversing all calorimeters and leaving a signal in the muon chambers.



Run=15995 Evt=835

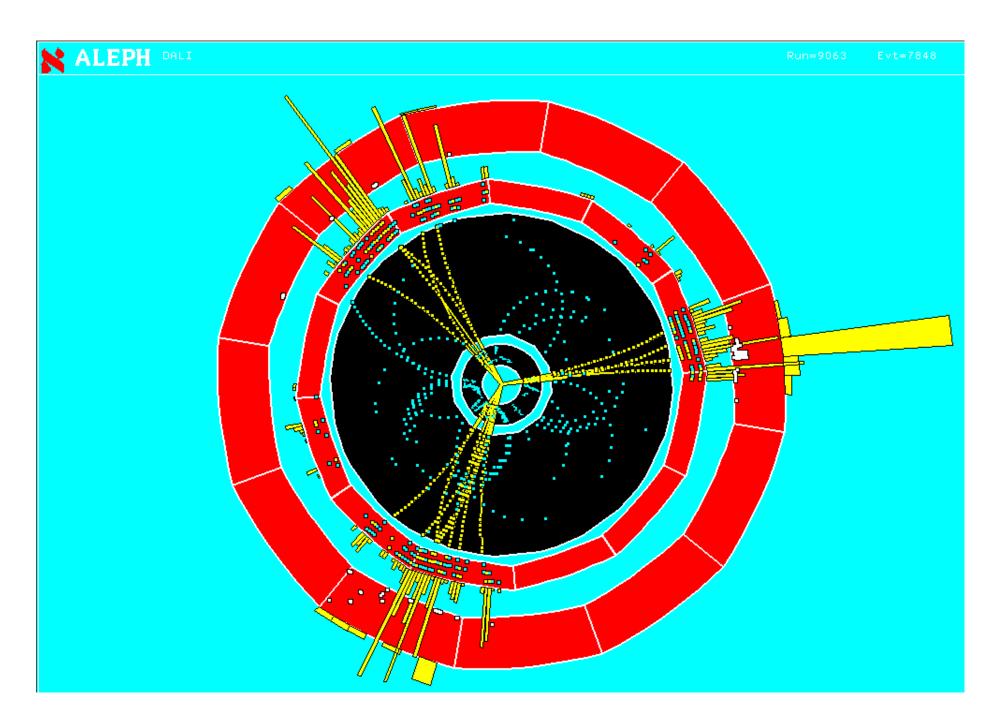
$Z \rightarrow q \overline{q}$

Two jets of particles



$Z \rightarrow q \overline{q} g$

Three jets of particles

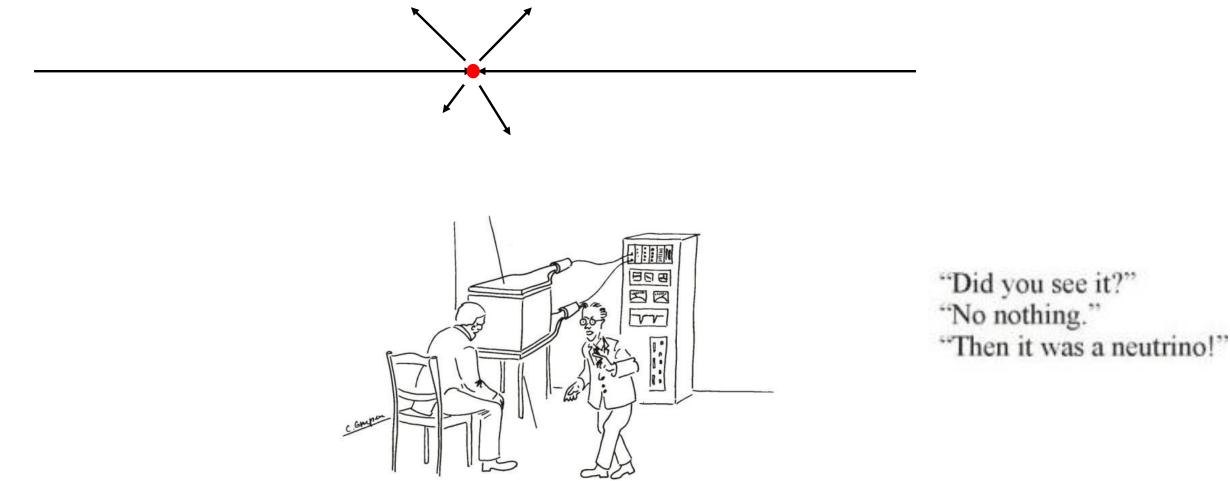


Interaction of Particles with Matter

Any device that is to detect a particle must interact with it in some way \rightarrow almost ...

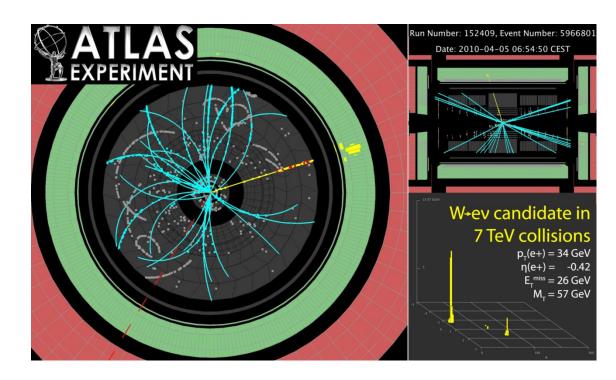
In many experiments neutrinos are measured by missing transverse momentum.

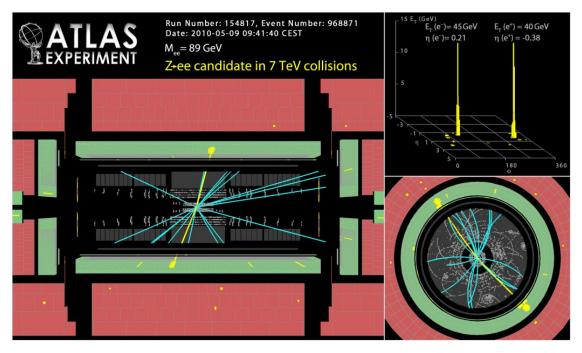
E.g. e^+e^- collider. $P_{tot}=0$, If the Σp_i of all collision products is $\neq 0 \rightarrow$ neutrino escaped.

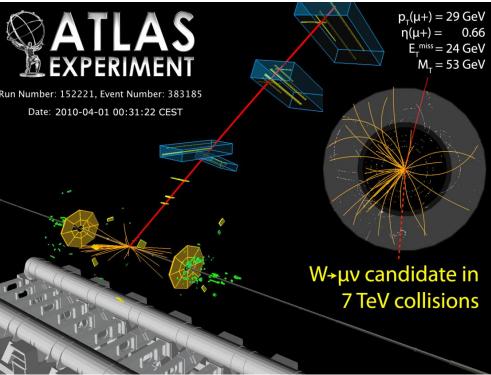


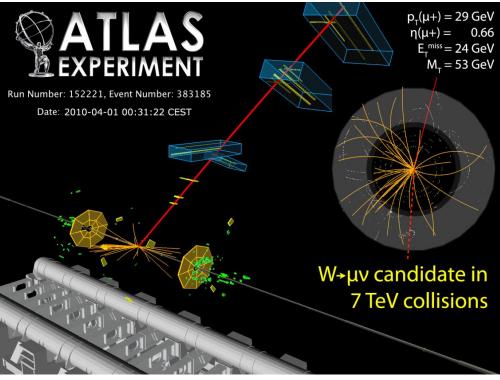
Claus Grupen, Particle Detectors, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge 1996 (455 pp. ISBN 0-521-55216-8)

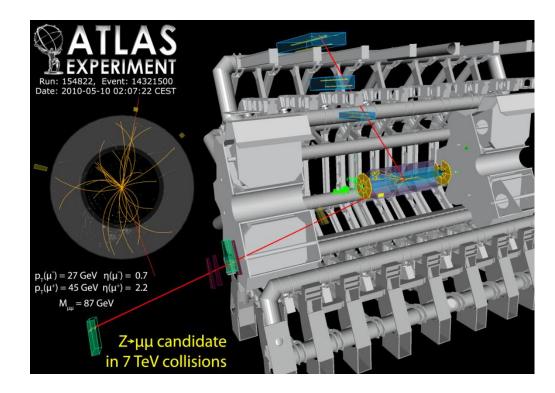
2010 ATLAS W, Z candidates !





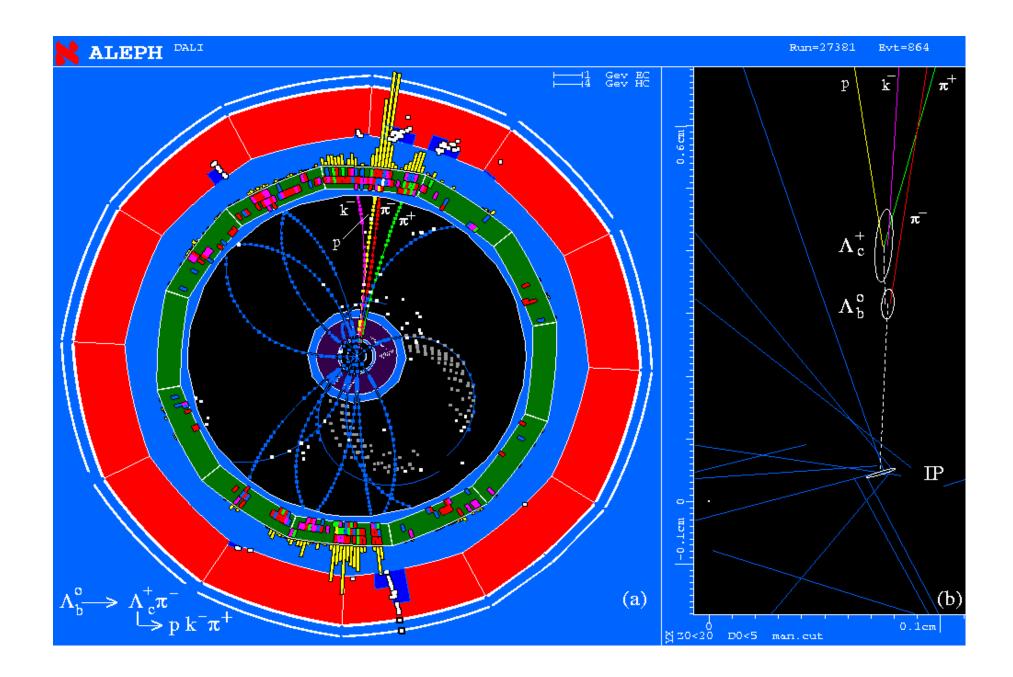




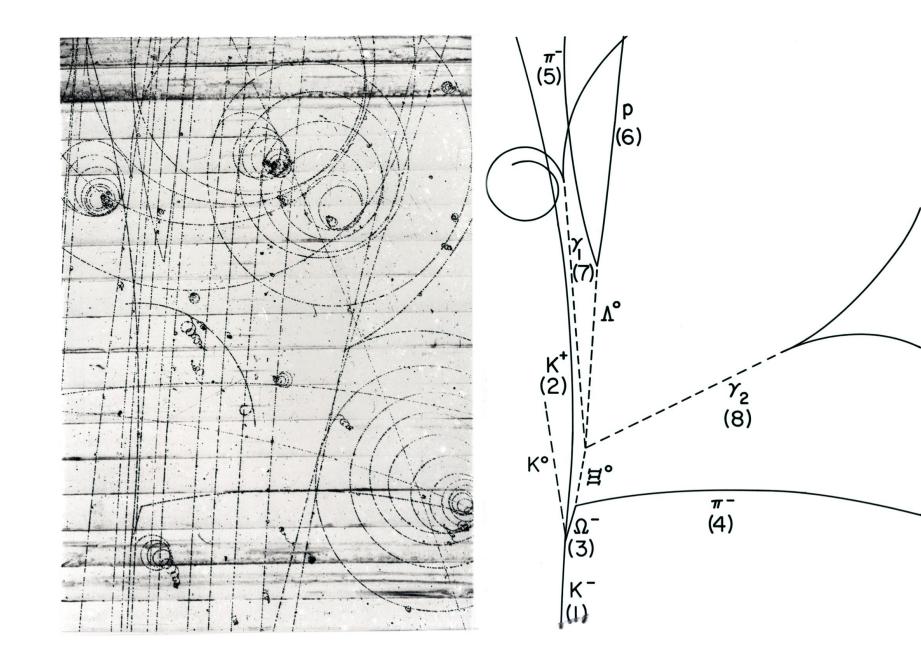


Two secondary vertices with characteristic decay particles giving invariant masses of known particles.

Bubble chamber like – a single event tells what is happening. Negligible background.



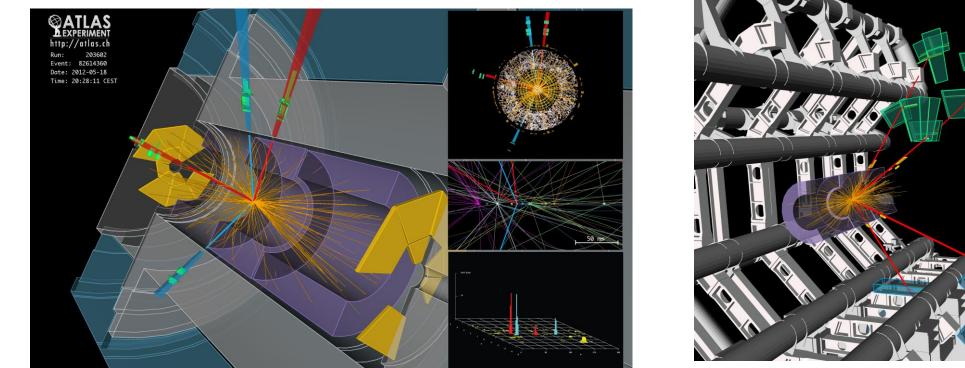
Discovery of 'new' Particles



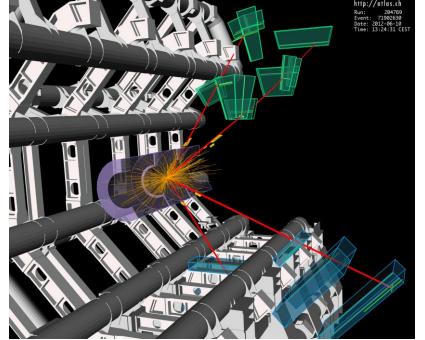
Discovery of Ω^{-} at the Brookhaven National Laboratory 80 inch hydrogen bubble chamber in 1964. Discovery claimed by a single event – 'background free'

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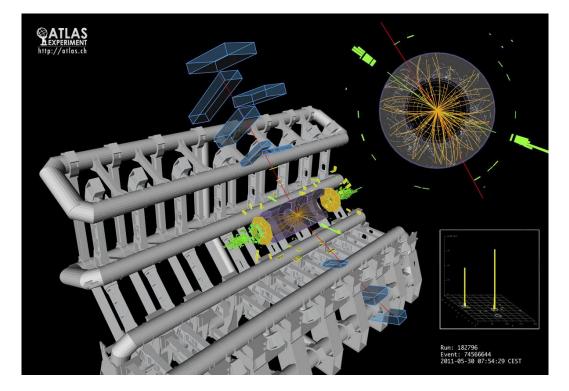
Candidate Higgs Events



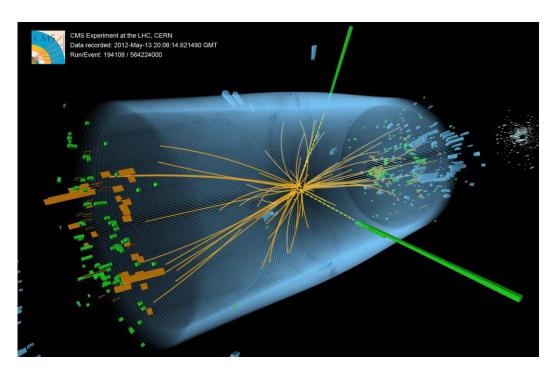
Candidate Higgs \rightarrow 4e



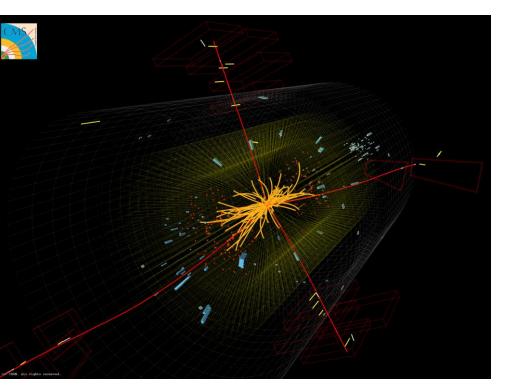
Candidate Higgs $\rightarrow 4\mu$



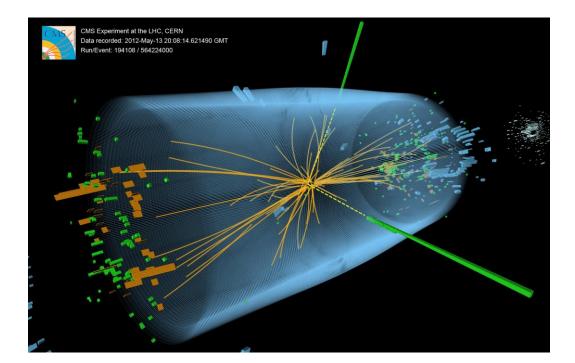
Candidate Higgs \rightarrow 2µ2e

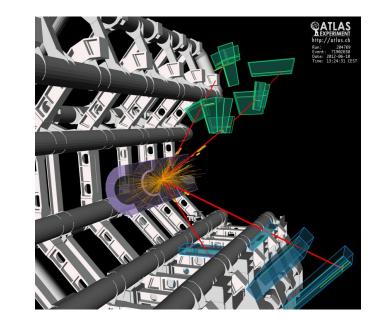


Candidate Higgs \rightarrow 2 photons

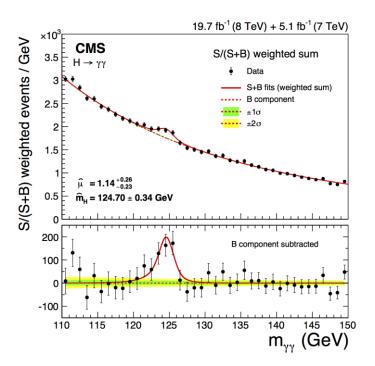


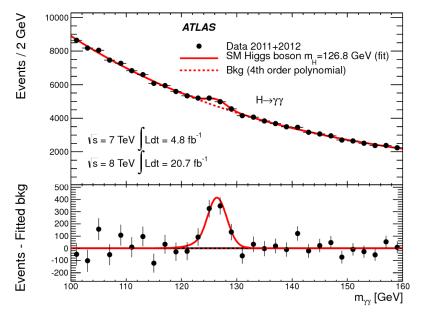
Signal and Background

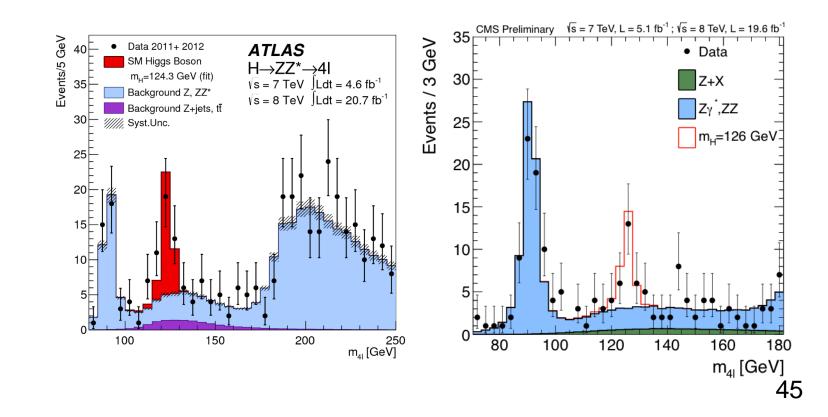




Particles are typically seen as an excess of events above an irreducible (i.e. indistinguishable) background.







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Conclusion

Only a few of the numerous known particles have lifetimes that are long enough to leave tracks in a detector.

Most of the particles are measured though the decay products and their kinematic relations (invariant mass). Most particles are only seen as an excess over an irreducible background.

Some short lived particles (b,c –particles) reach lifetimes in the laboratory system that are sufficient to leave short tracks before decaying \rightarrow identification by measurement of short tracks.

In addition to this, detectors are built to measure the 8 particles.

Their difference in mass, charge and interaction is the key to their identification.

Conclusion

A particle detector is an (almost) irreducible representation of the properties of these 8 particles

e[±], μ[±], γ, π[±], K[±], K^o, p[±], n

