

Big Bang, Big Data & Big Science

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Why listen to me?





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study of physics,
comparative literature



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Synchrotron (Zeuthen)



2009-now

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Don't believe just because someone has a "title"
(argument by authority is never a good argument in my mind)



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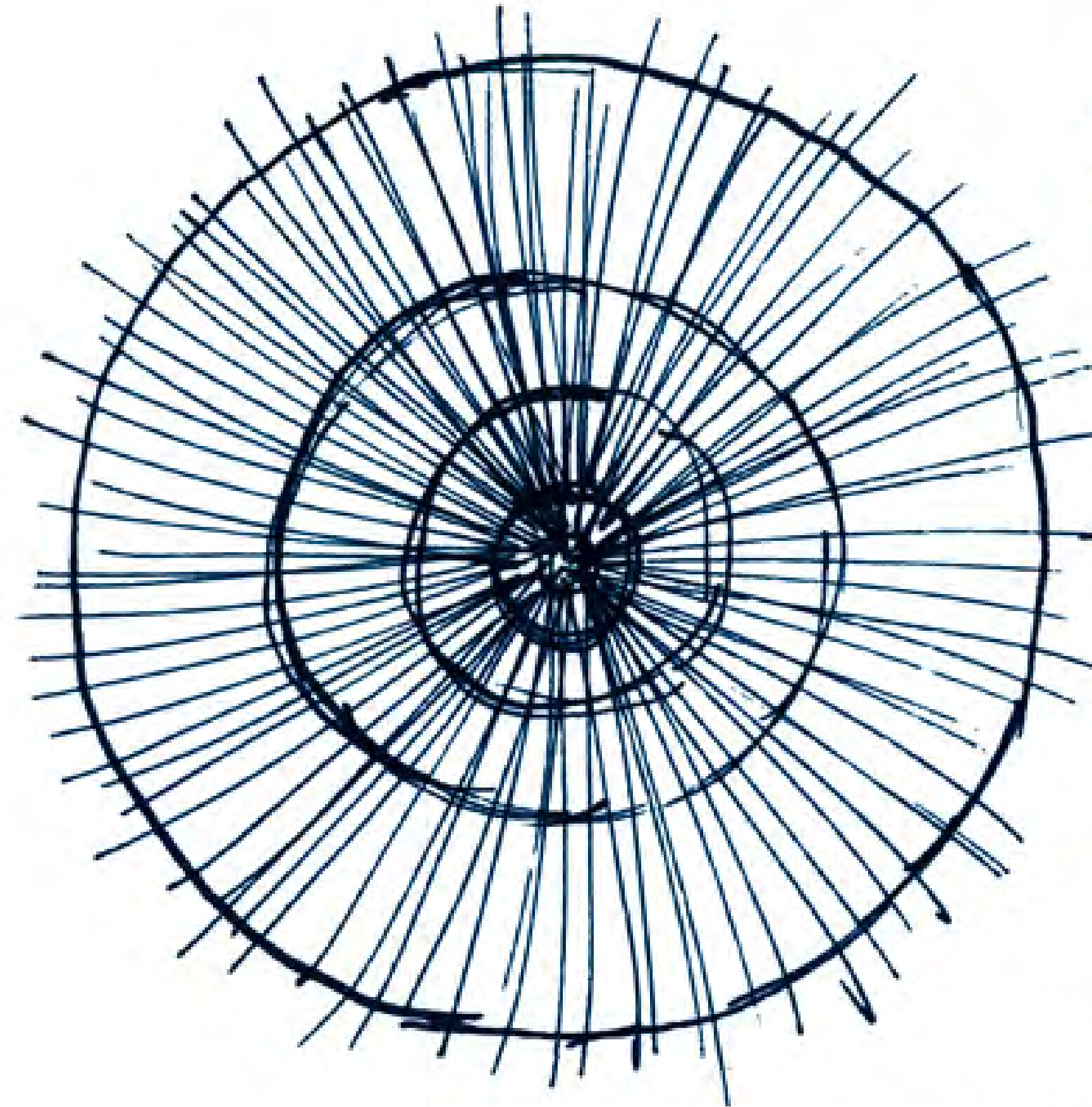
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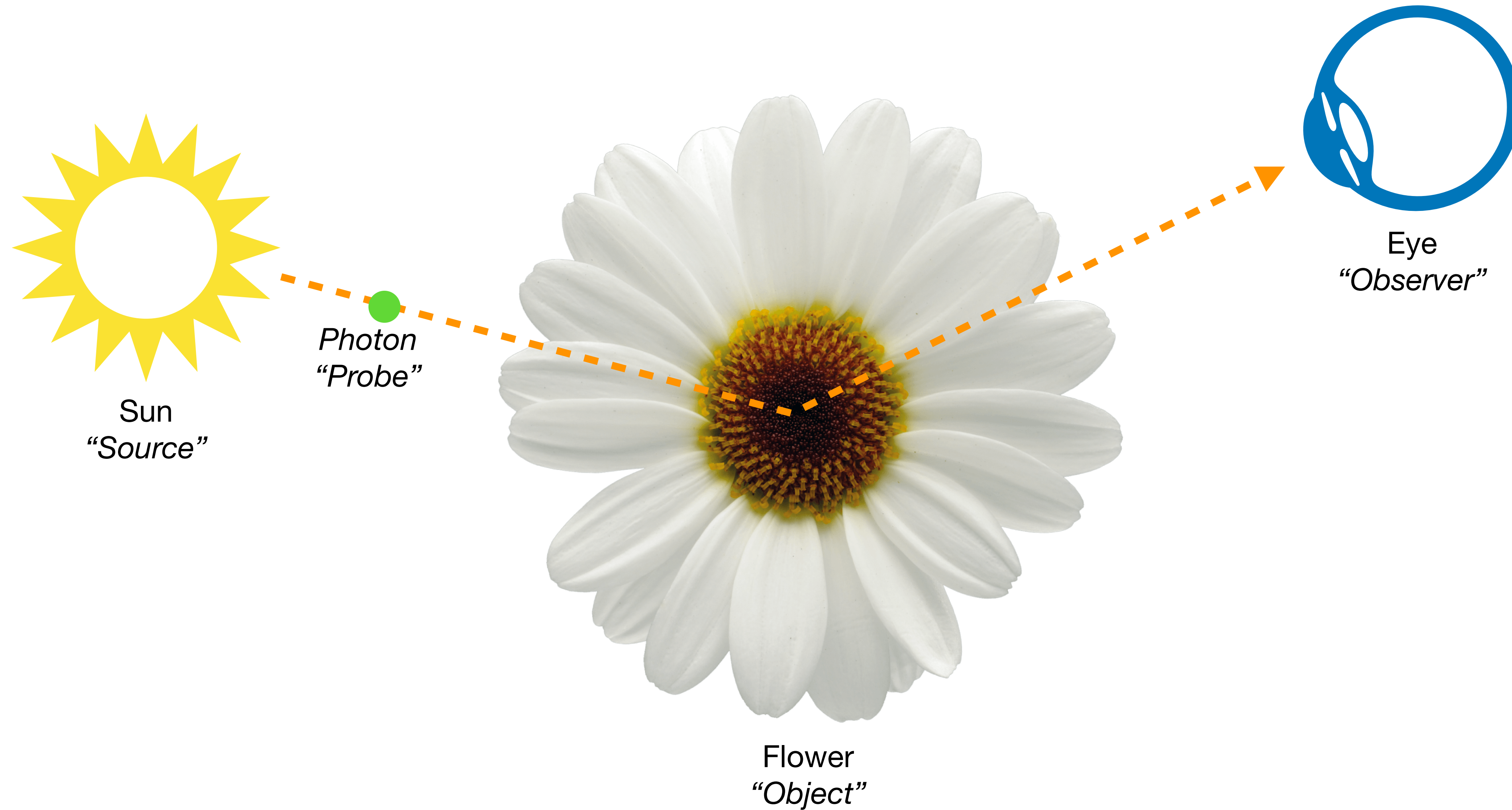
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A daily observation



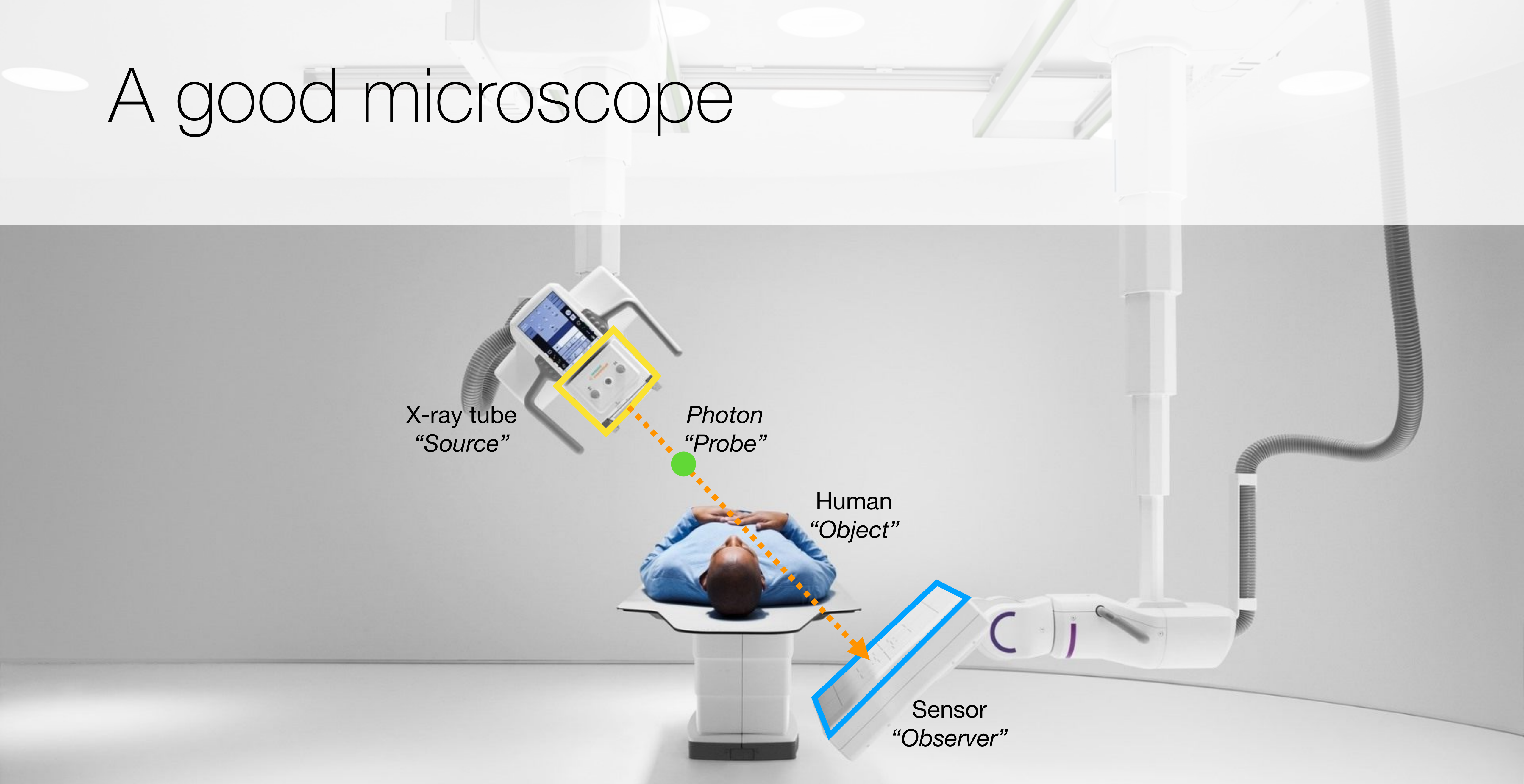
A good microscope

X-ray tube
"Source"

Photon
"Probe"

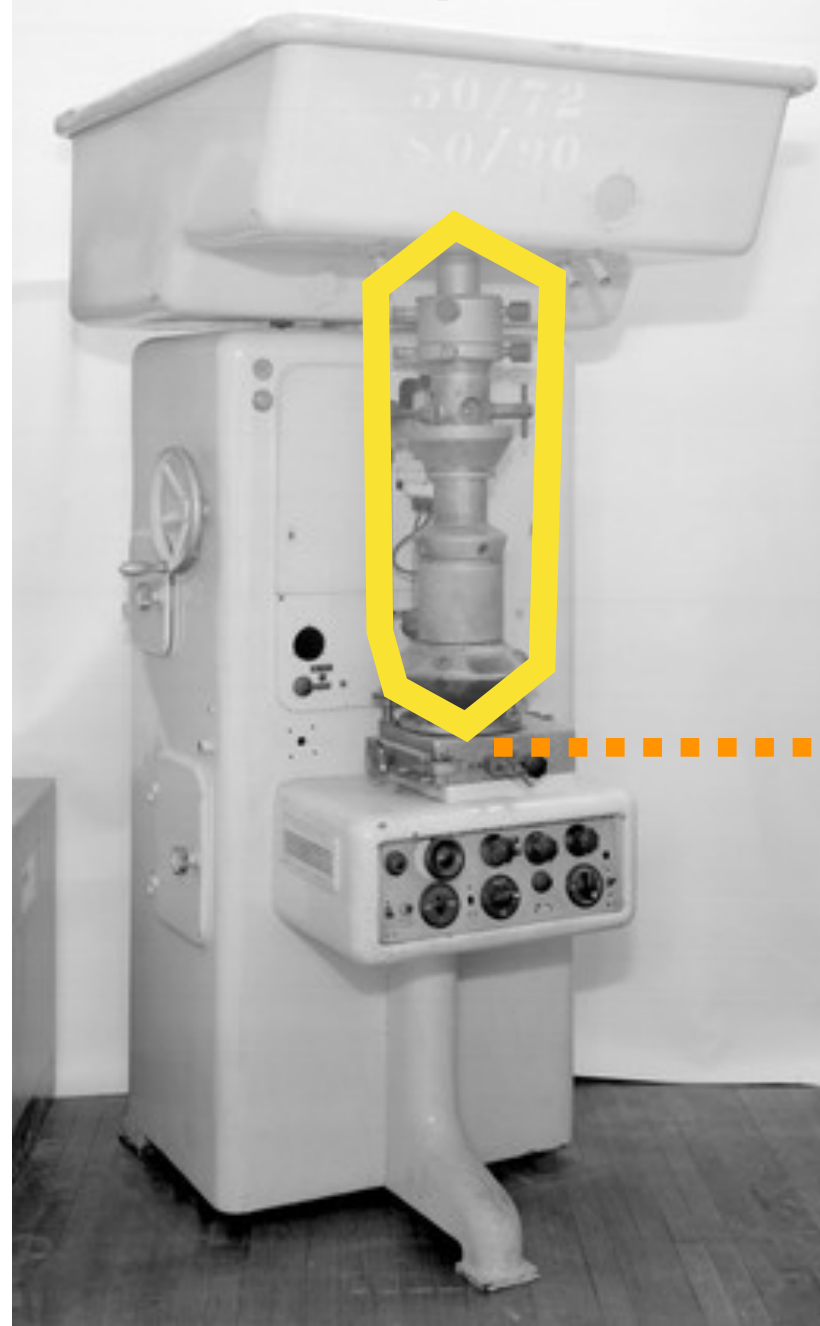
Human
"Object"

Sensor
"Observer"



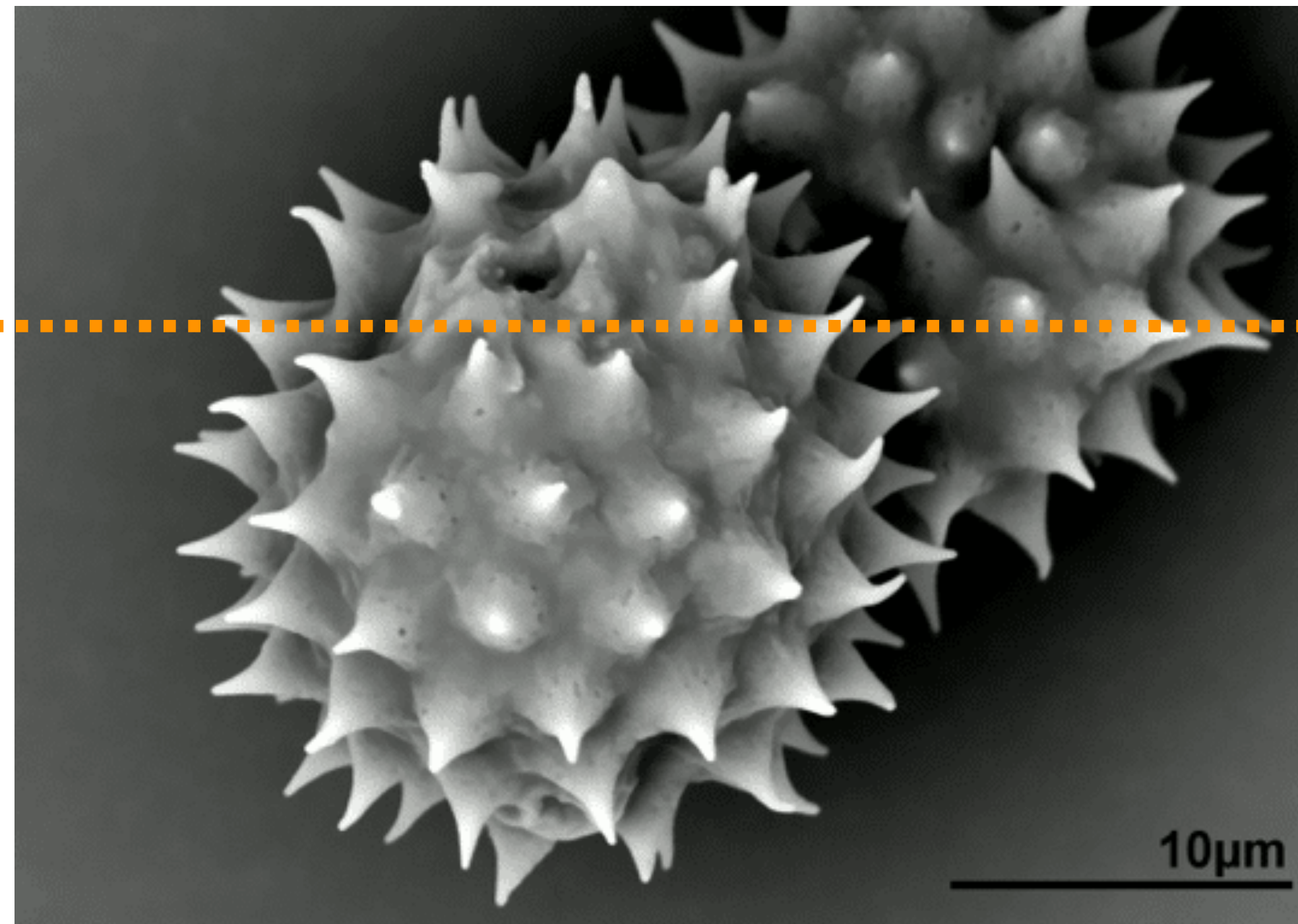
A very good microscope

Electron microscope Siemens, 1943



Cathode
"Source"

Electron
"Probe"



Pollen
"Object"

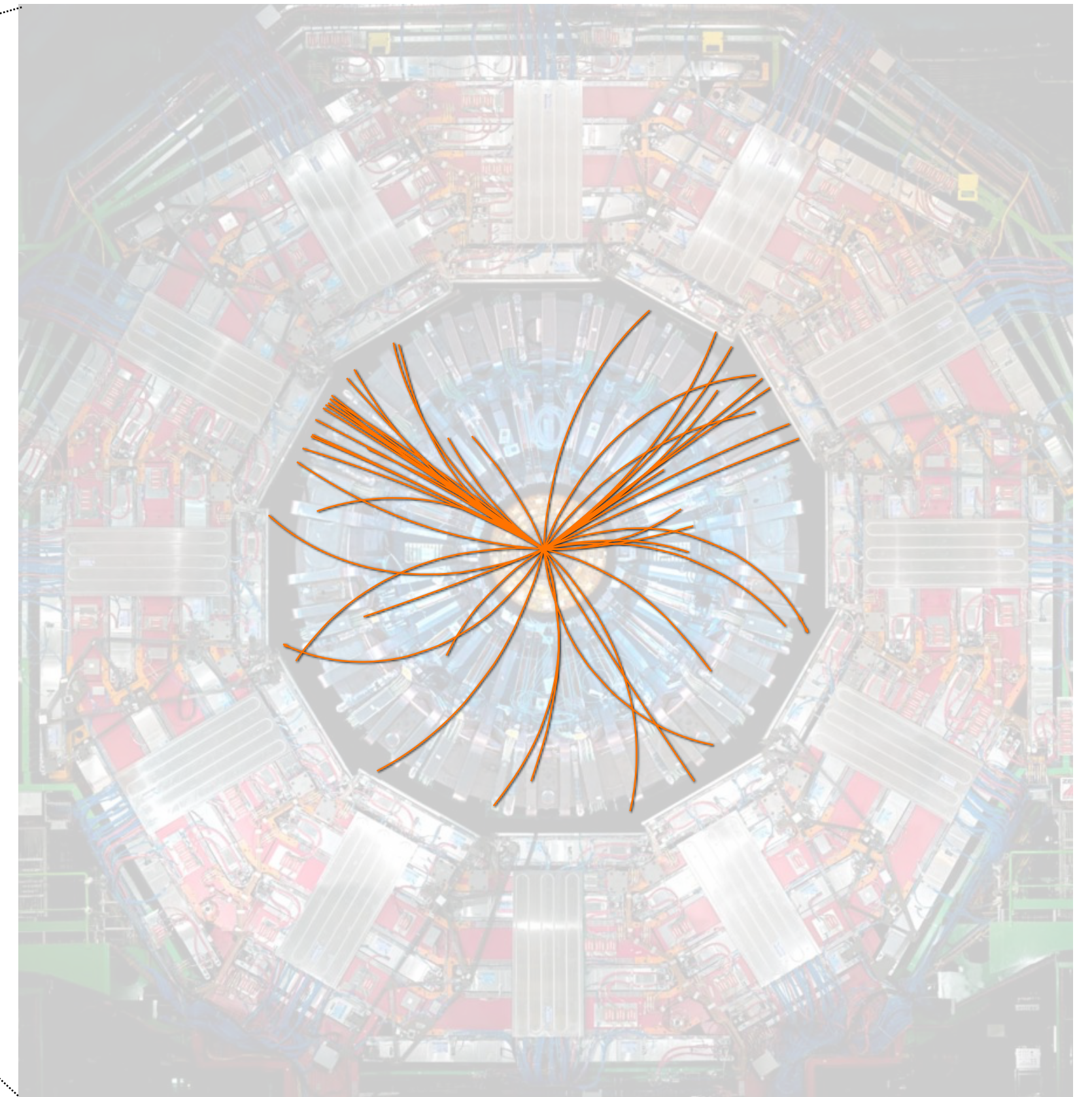
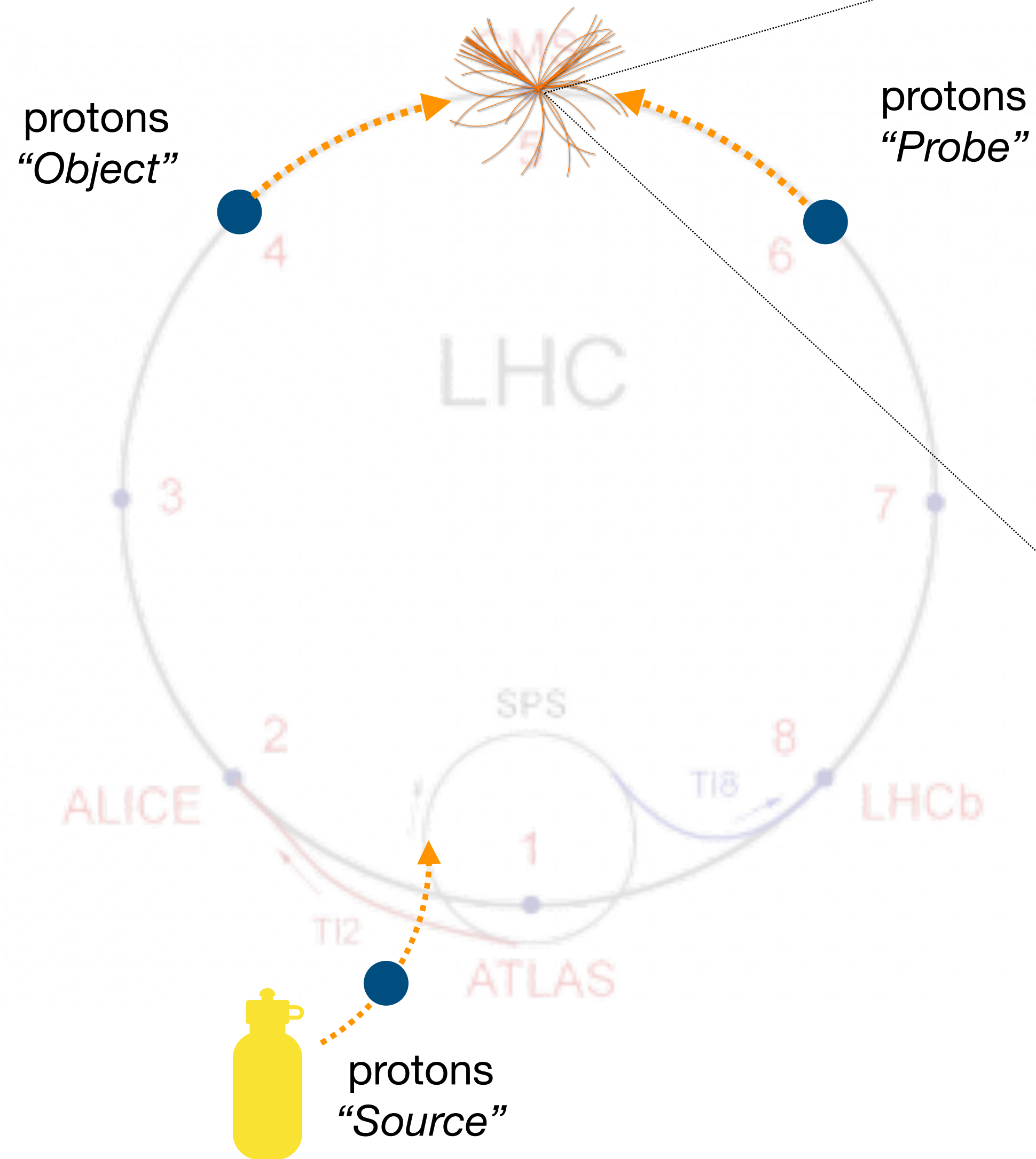


Detector
"Observer"

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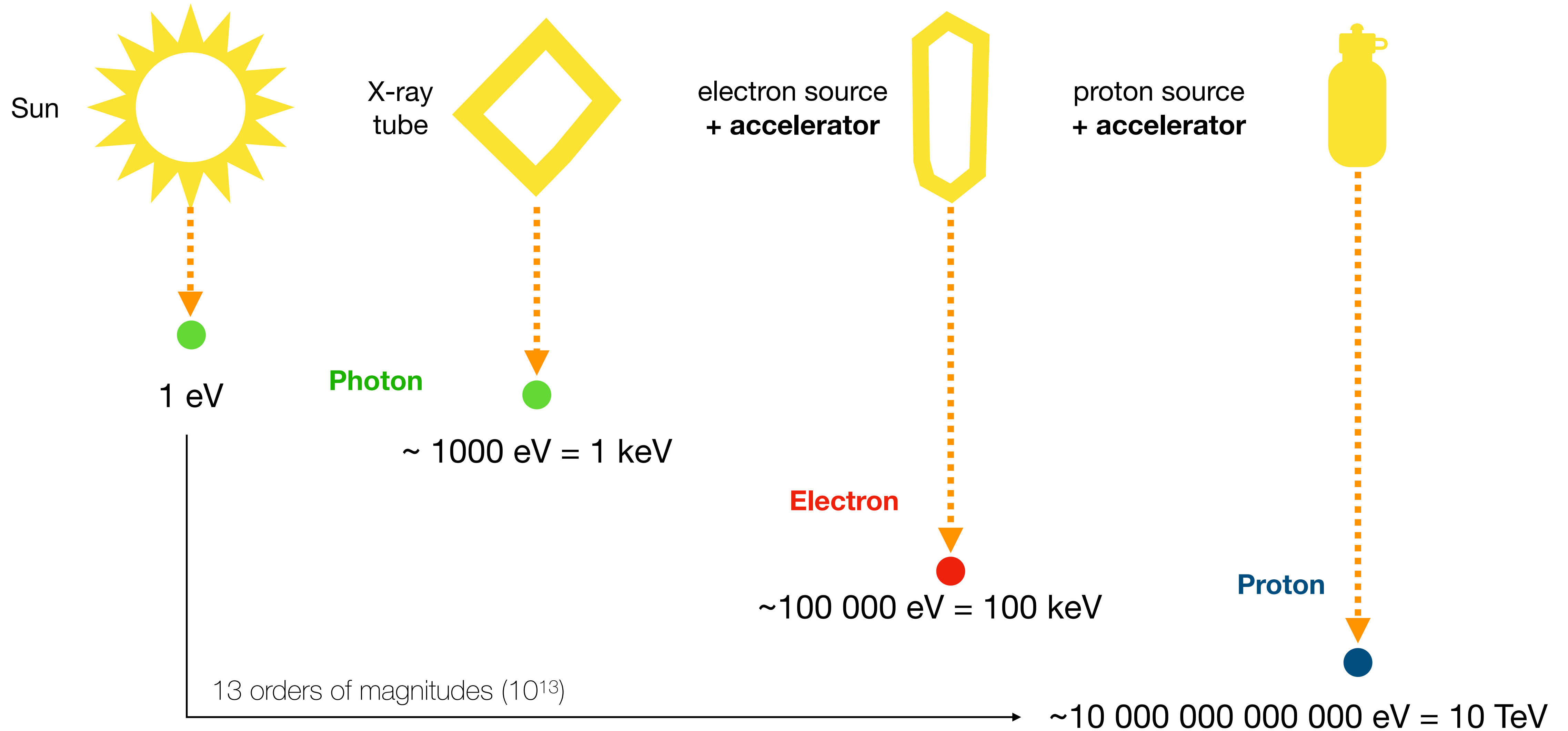
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A very large microscope




Detector
"Observer"

You **see** what you **get**



You **get** what you **see**

1 eV  **Photon**

eye




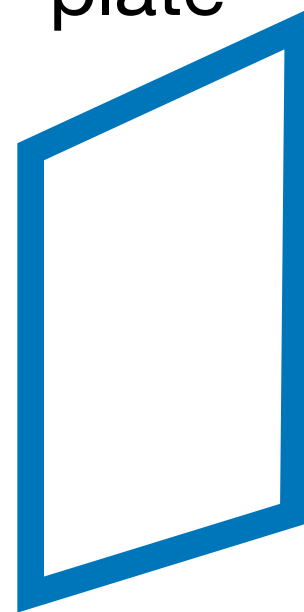

1 keV  **Photon**

photo plate

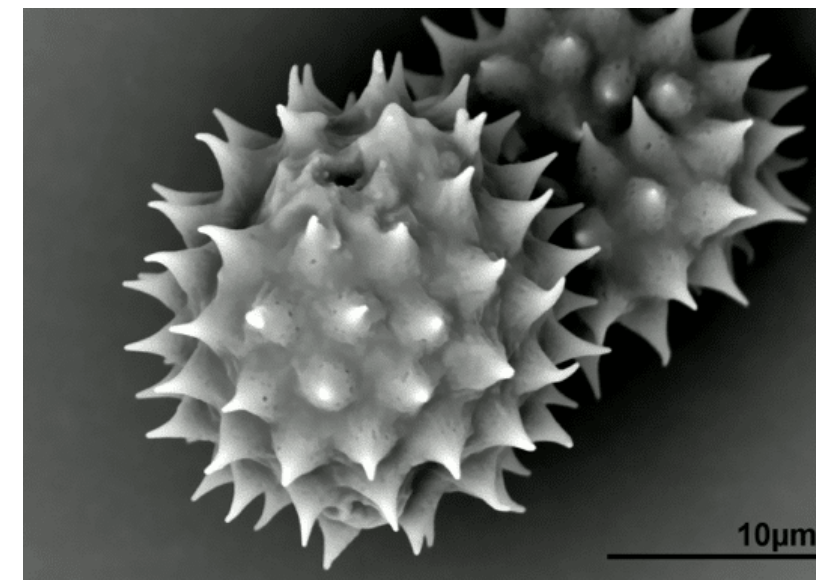
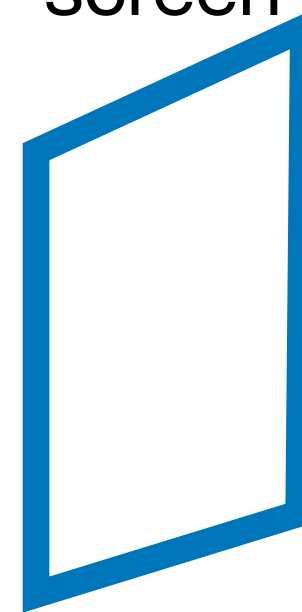


low energy sensor

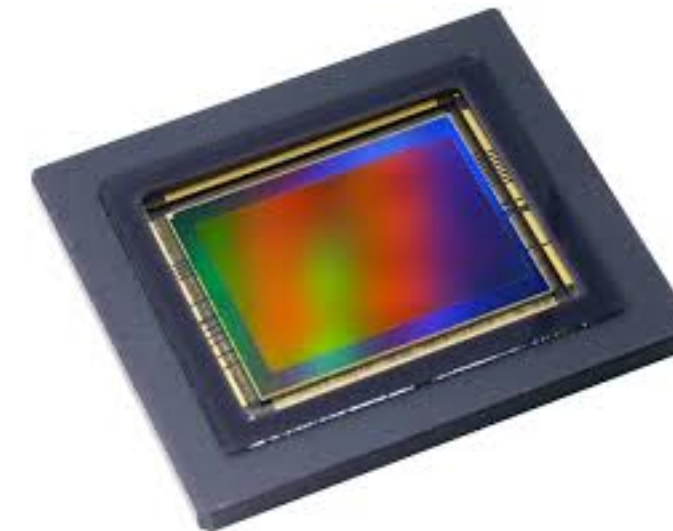



100 keV  **Electron**

fluorescent screen

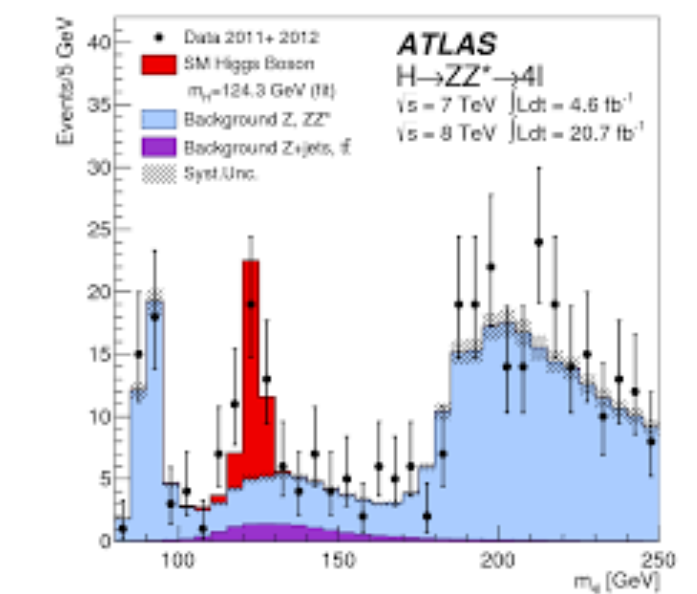
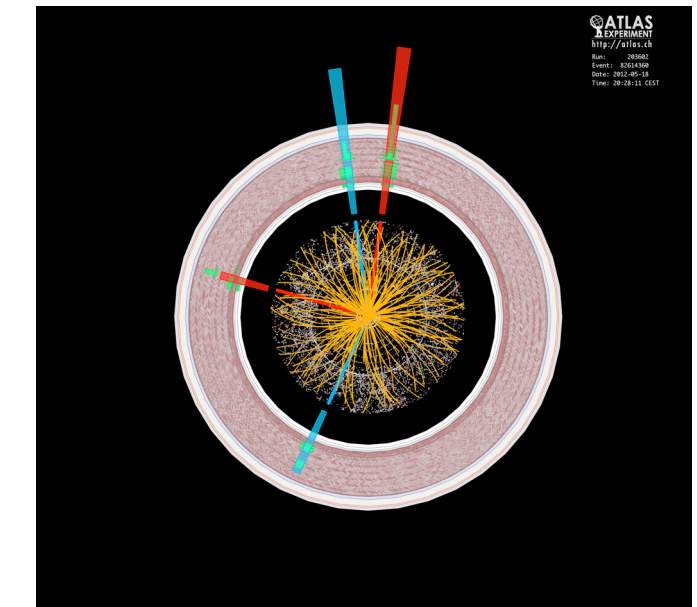


electron detector

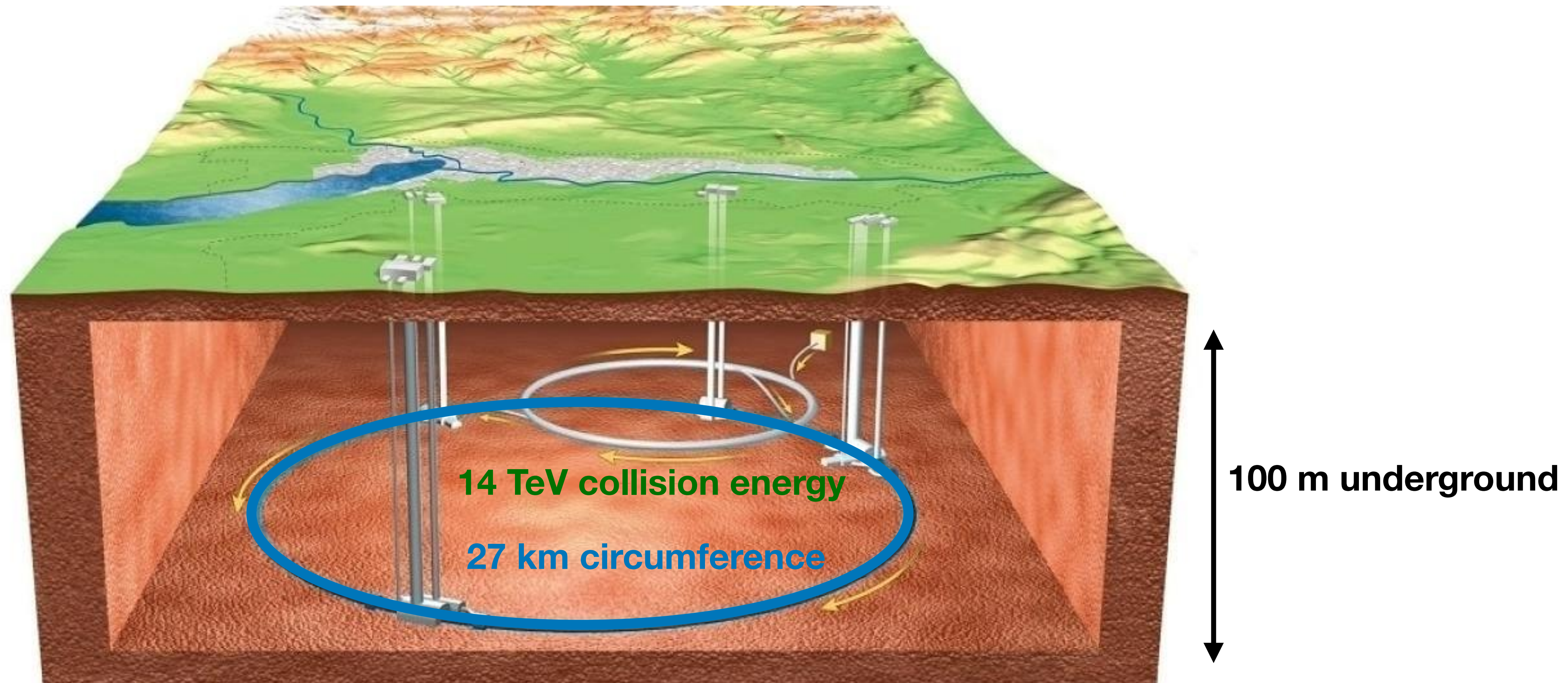


10 TeV  **Proton**

particle detector

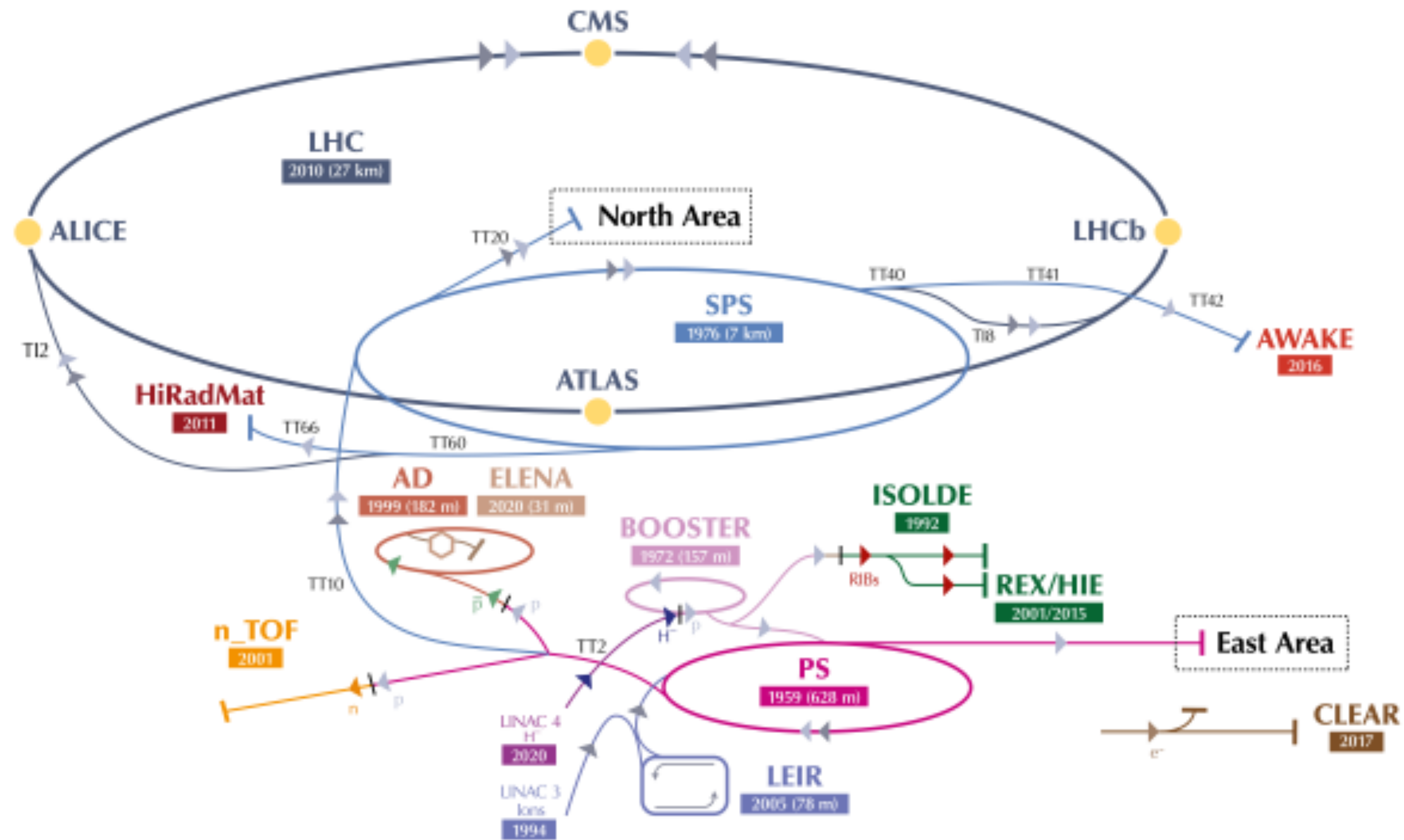


Our source: **L**arge **H**adron **C**ollider



40 millions/sec collision frequency

LHC accelerator



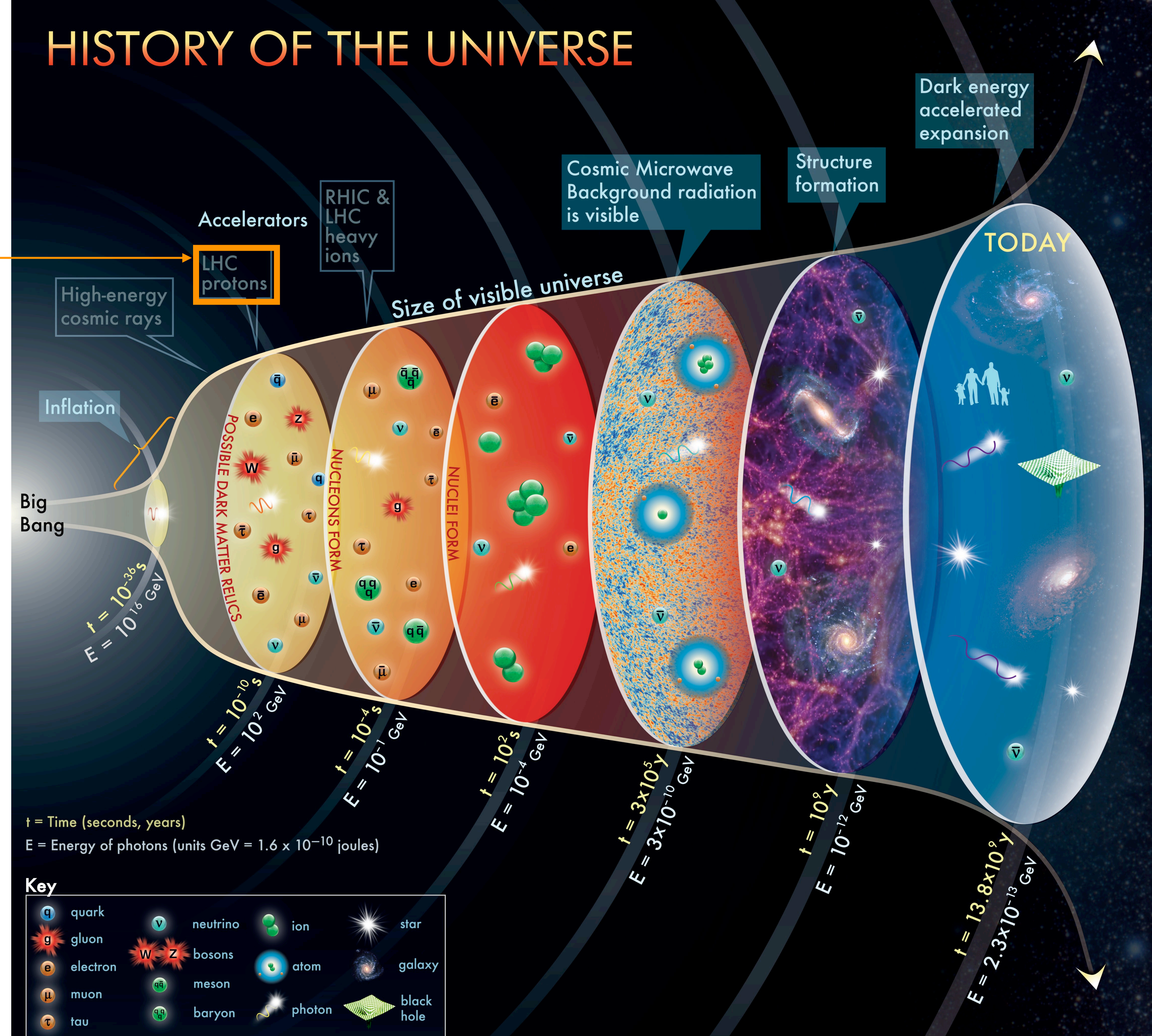
▶ H^- (hydrogen anions) ▶ p (protons) ▶ ions ▶ RIBs (Radioactive Ion Beams) ▶ n (neutrons) ▶ \bar{p} (antiprotons) ▶ e^- (electrons)

LHC - Large Hadron Collider // SPS - Super Proton Synchrotron // PS - Proton Synchrotron // AD - Antiproton Decelerator // CLEAR - CERN Linear Electron Accelerator for Research // AWAKE - Advanced WAKEfield Experiment // ISOLDE - Isotope Separator OnLine // REX/HIE - Radioactive EXperiment/High Intensity and Energy ISOLDE // LEIR - Low Energy Ion Ring // LINAC - LINear ACcelerator // n_TOF - Neutrons Time Of Flight // HiRadMat - High-Radiation to Materials

Reach

allows us to investigate universe at an age of

10^{-10} s = 0.0000000001 s



t = Time (seconds, years)
E = Energy of photons (units GeV = 1.6 x 10⁻¹⁰ joules)

Key

q	quark	v	neutrino	ion	star
g	gluon	W Z	bosons	atom	galaxy
e	electron	qq	meson	photon	black hole
μ	muon	qqq	baryon		
τ	tau				

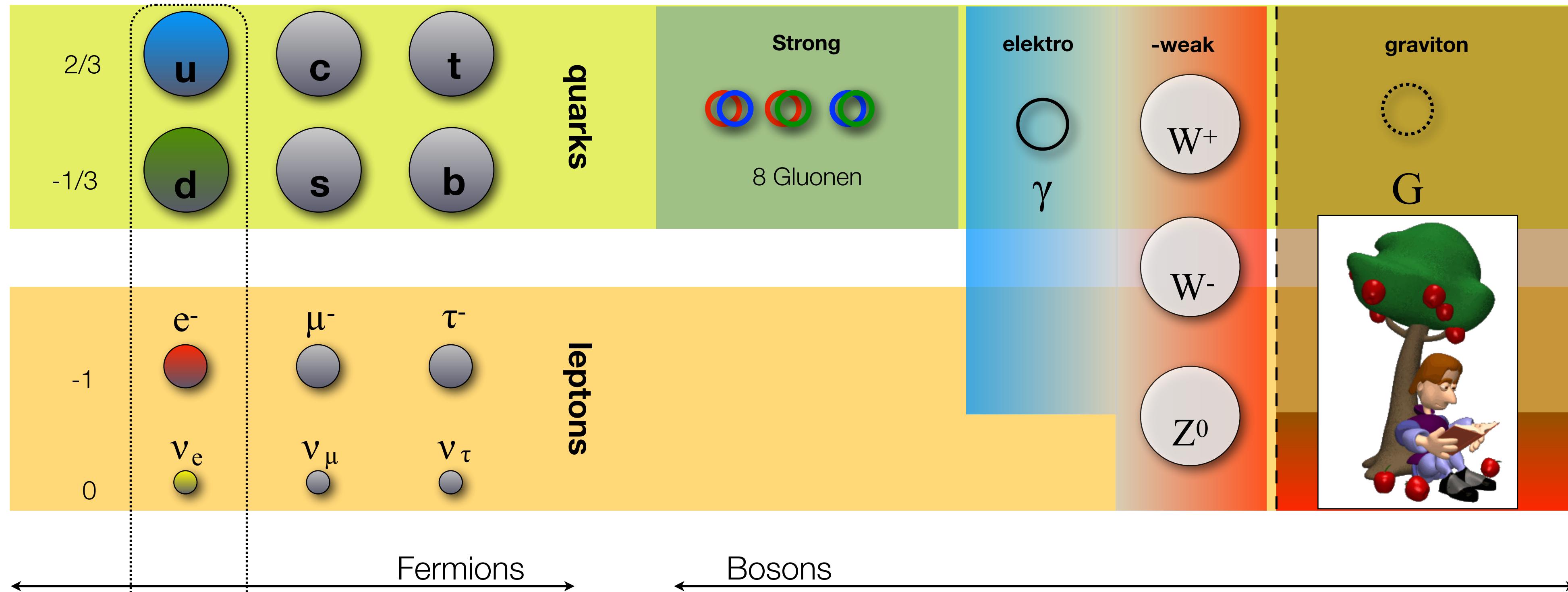
The concept for the above figure originated in a 1986 paper by Michael Turner.

..., but why ?

... to test this

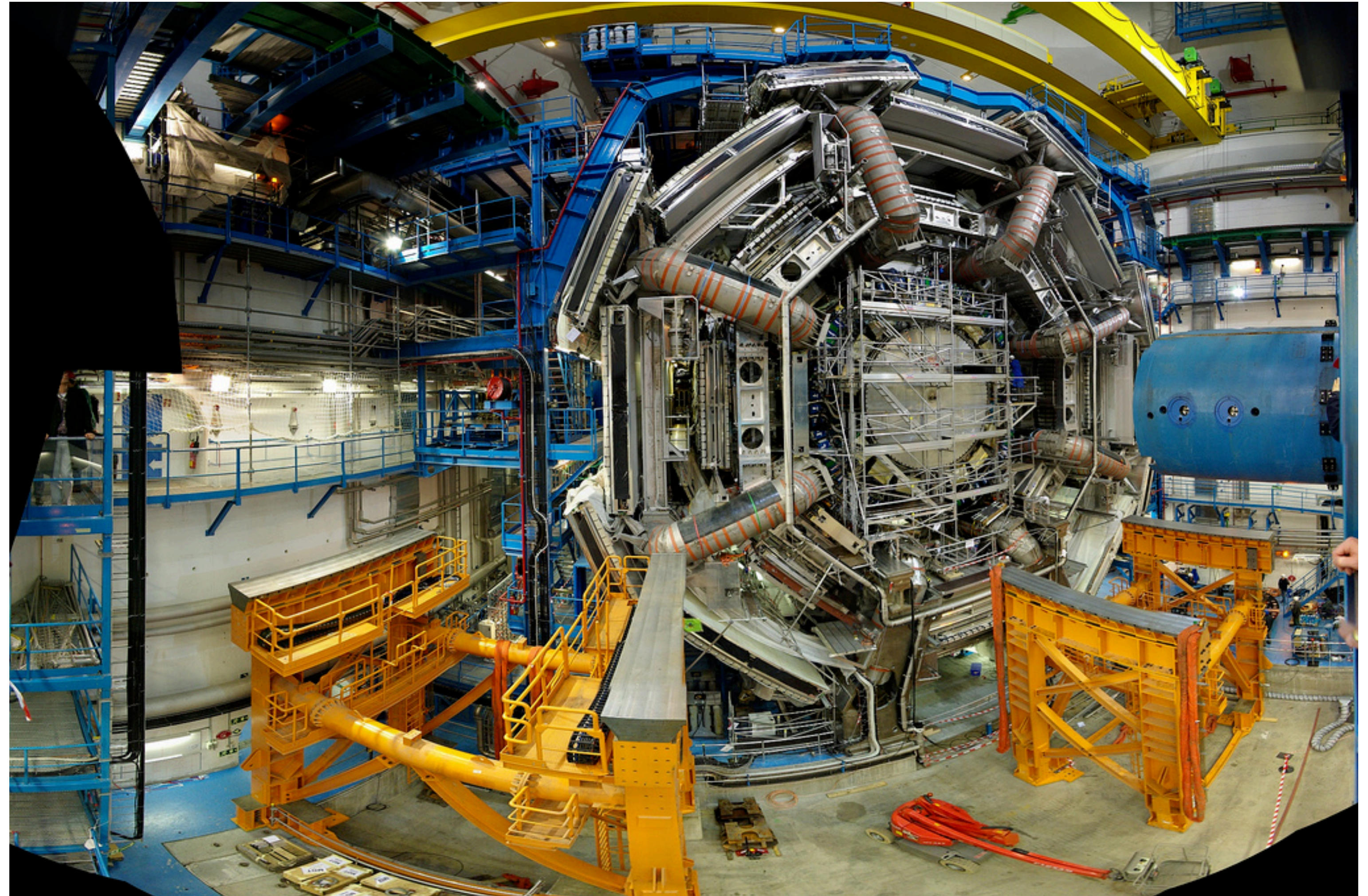
$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \\ & + i \bar{\psi} \not{D} \psi + \text{h.c.} \\ & + \bar{\psi}_i \gamma_{ij} \psi_j \phi + \text{h.c.} \\ & + |D_\mu \phi|^2 - V(\phi)\end{aligned}$$

Particles and mediators



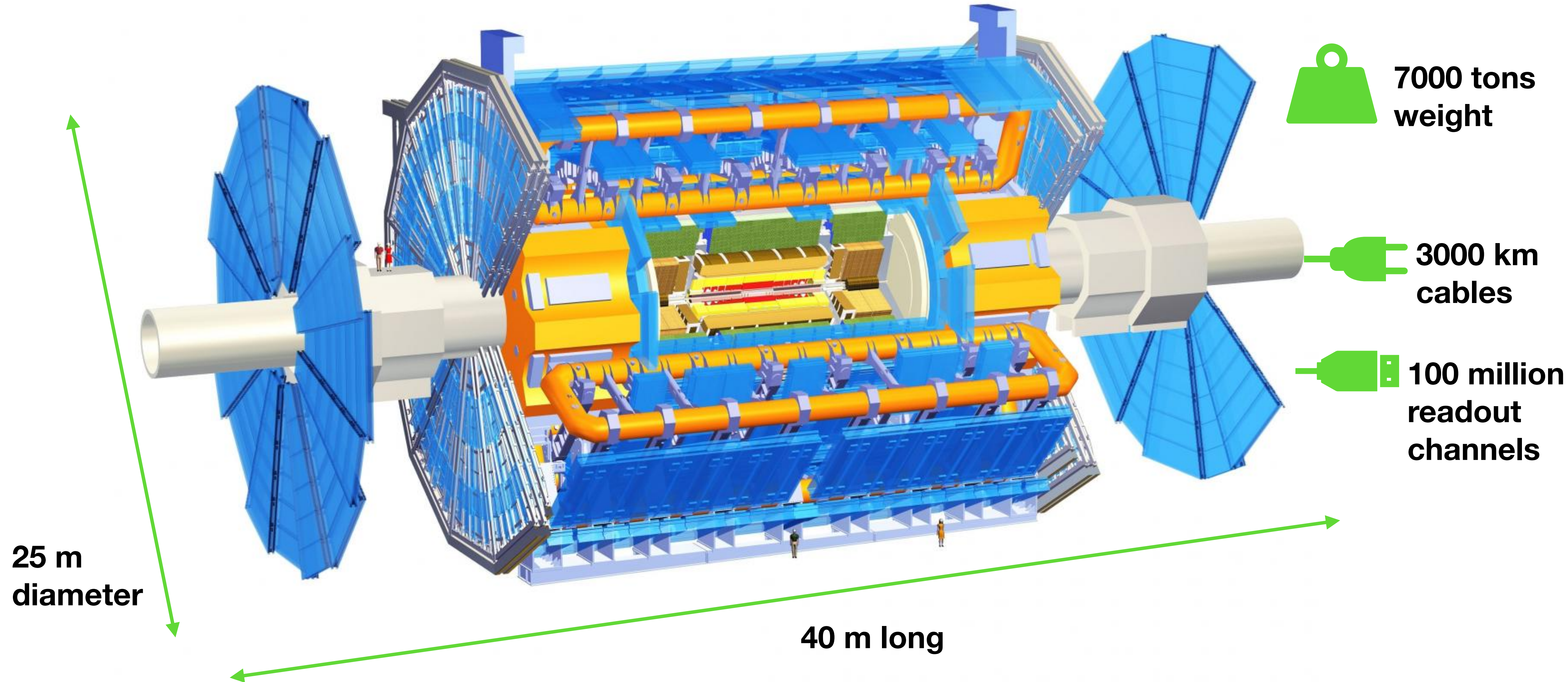
+ Higgs particle

The observer: **A** Toroidal **LHC** **A**pparatus**S**

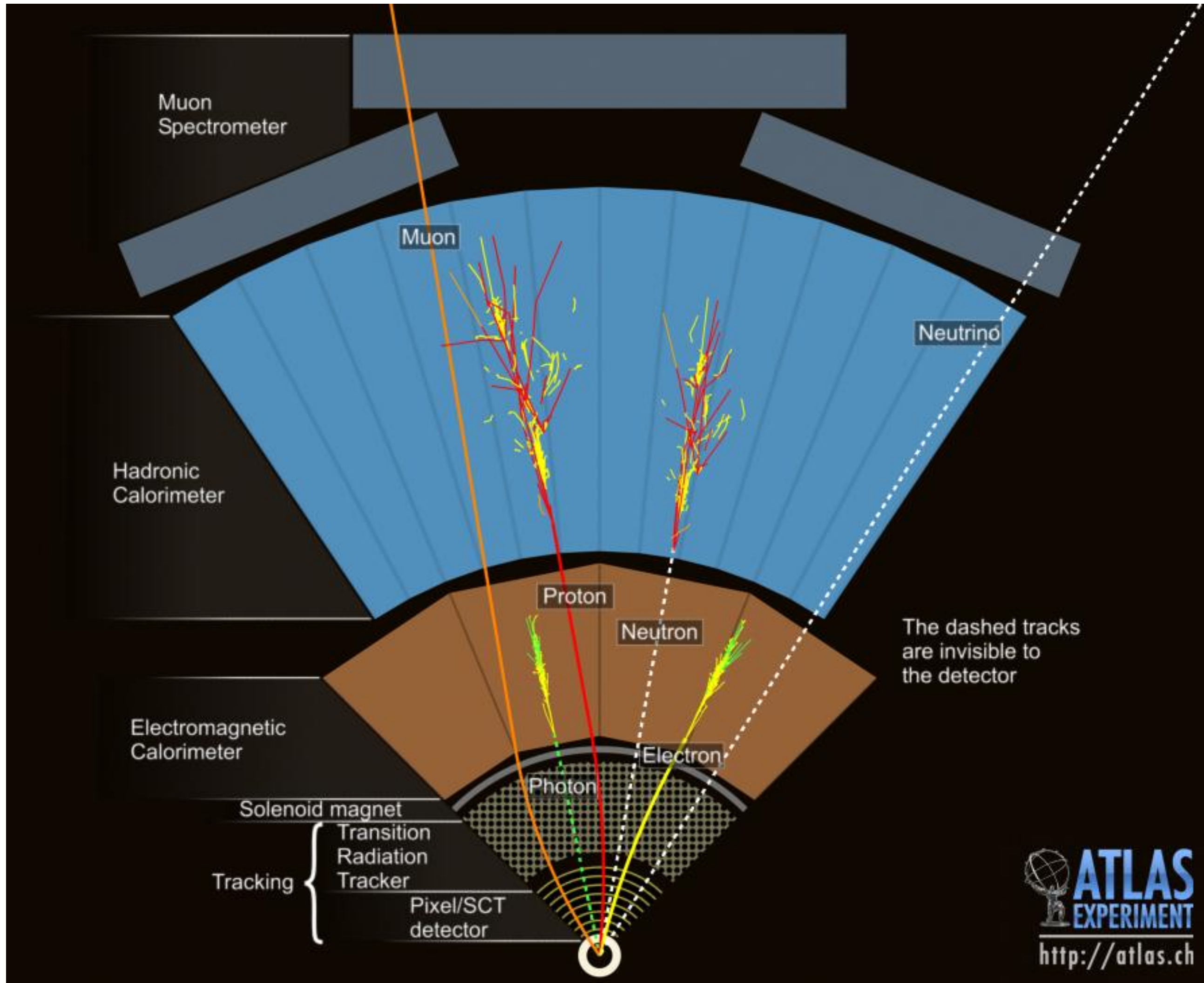


Question:
What's the object?

The **A**Toroidal **LHC** **A**pparatus**S**



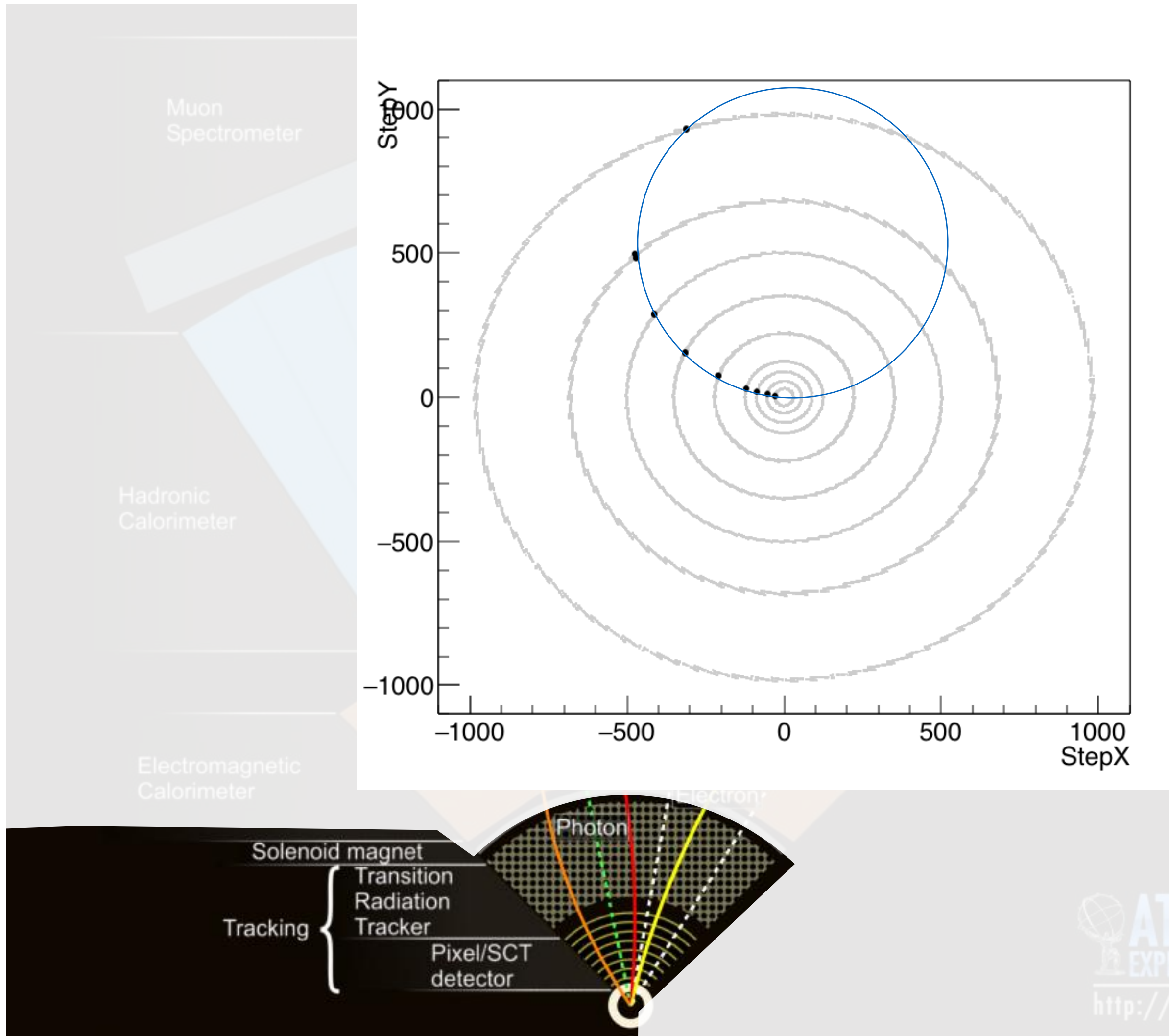
Principles of a **Particle Detector**



We want to
Identify Particles
Estimate their kinematics

Principles of a Particle Detector

Inner Tracker



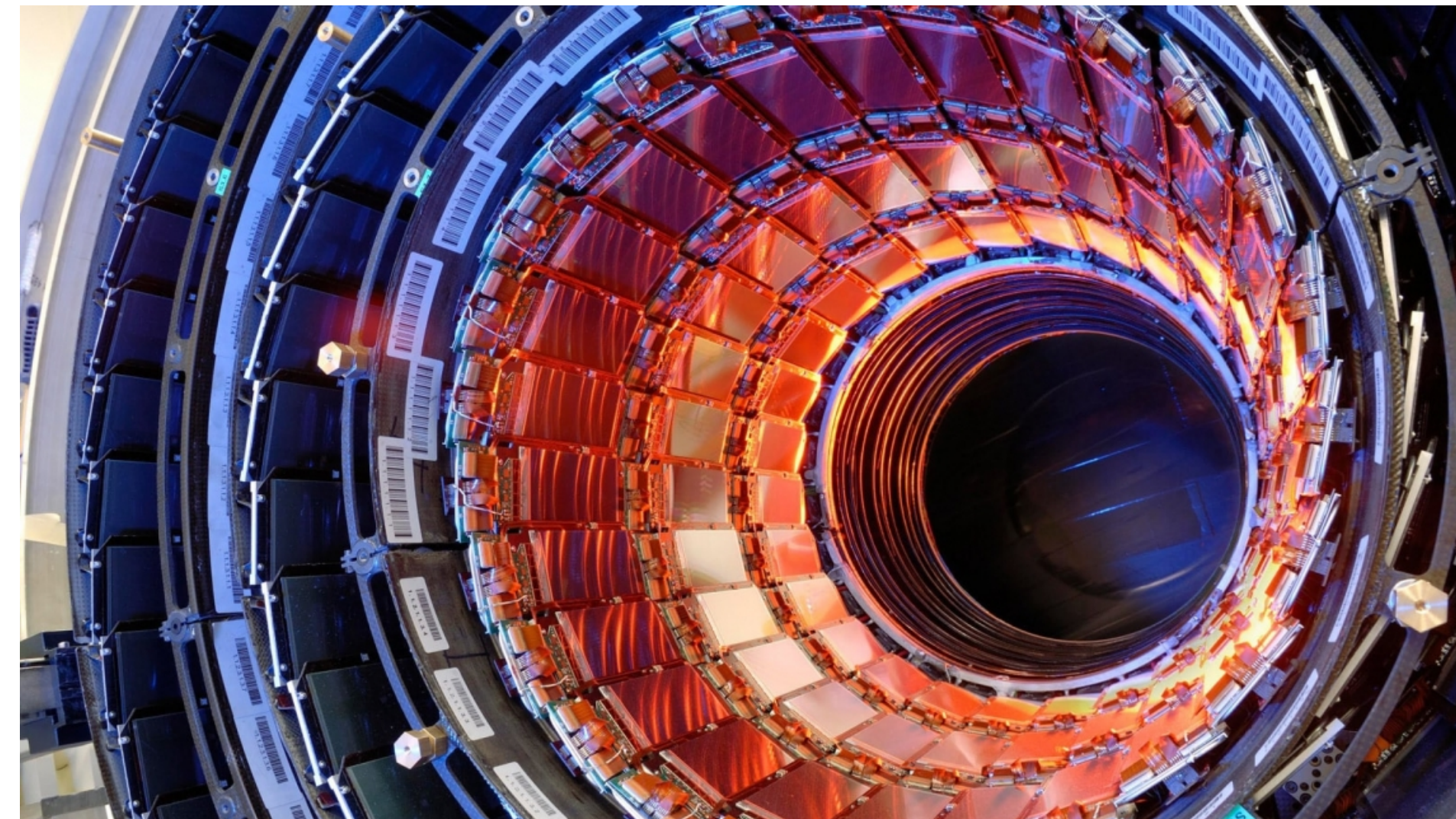
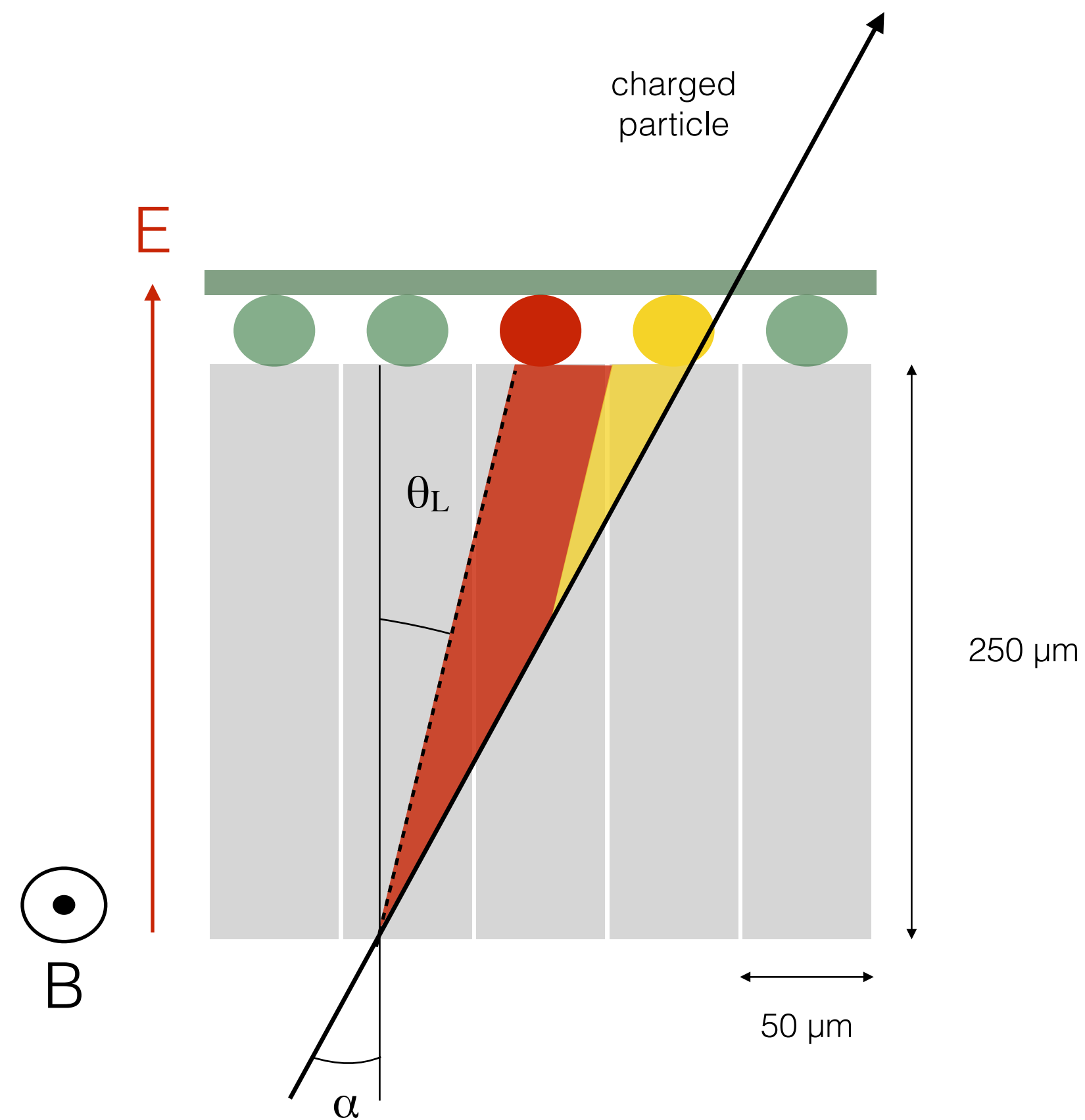
We need

Complicated pattern recognition algorithms to resolve this



Principles of a Particle Detector

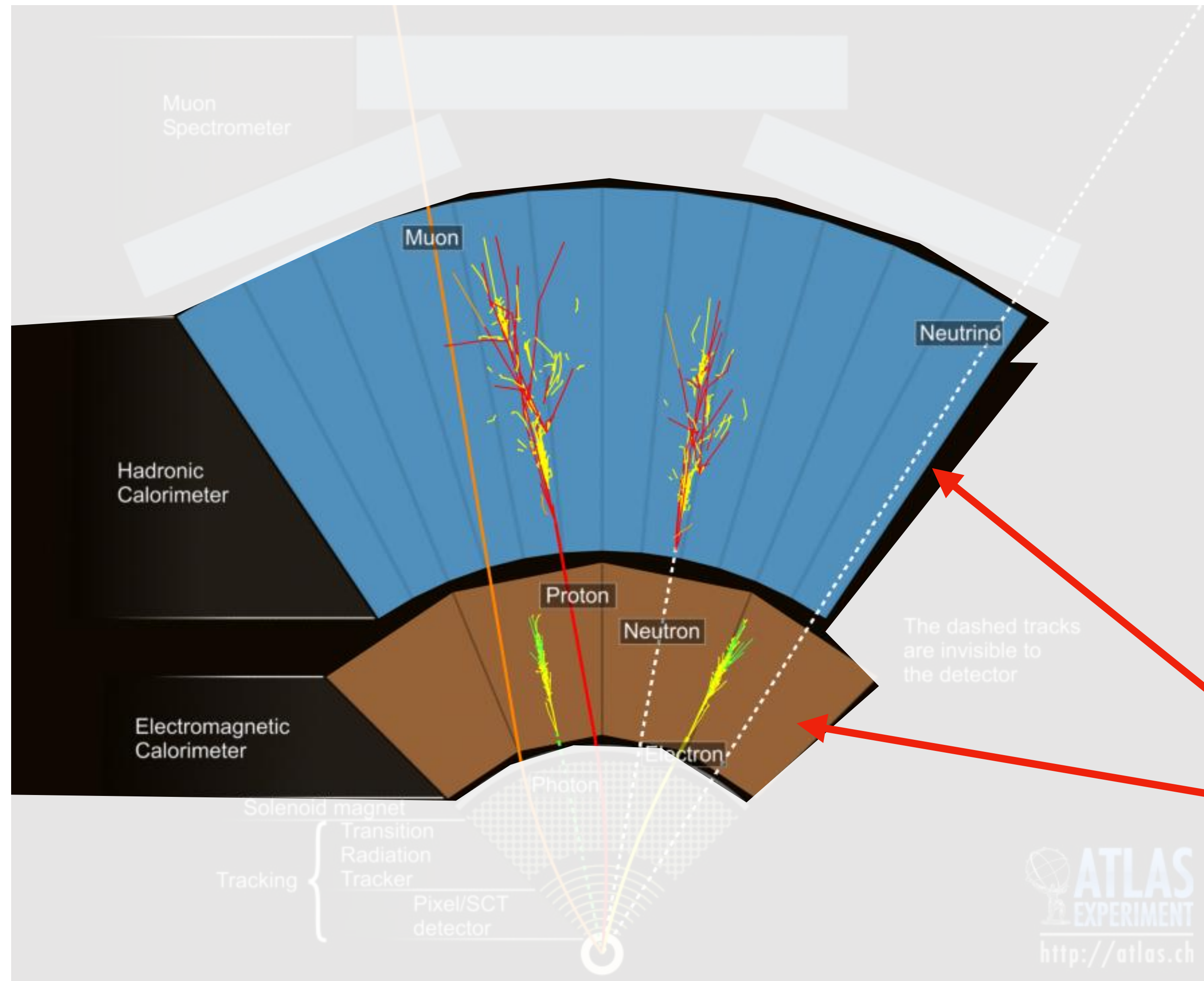
Inner Tracker



Most commonly semiconductor based detectors

Principles of a Particle Detector

Calorimeter



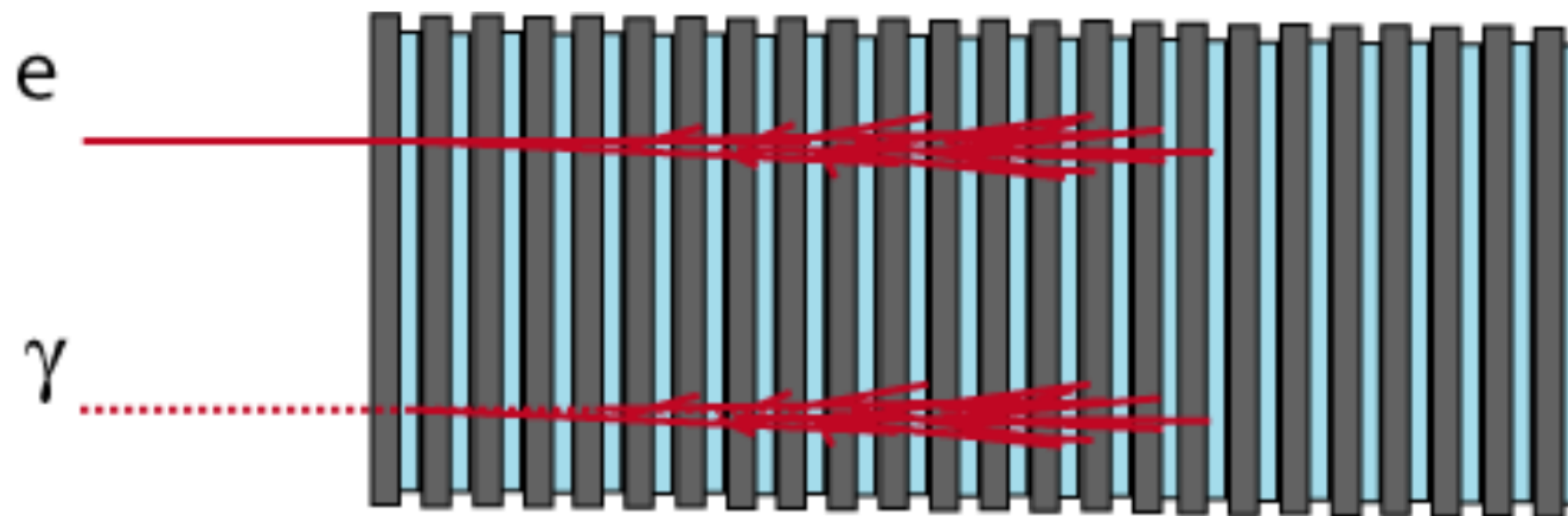
We want to
stop **all** particles
& measure their energy
& identify them

Electromagnetic calorimeter
Hadronic calorimeter

Principles of a Particle Detector

Calorimeter

Technology A

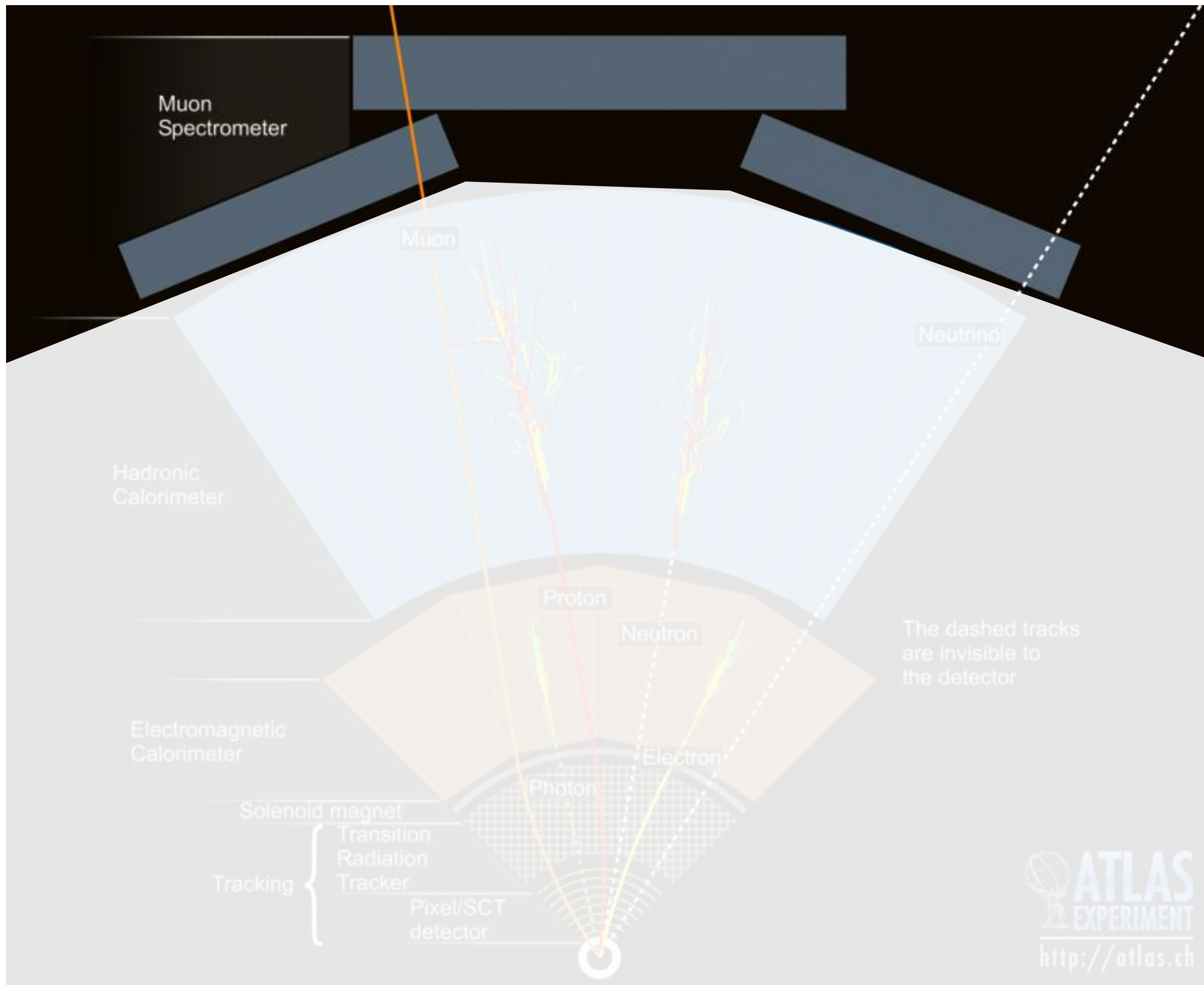


Technology B



Principles of a Particle Detector

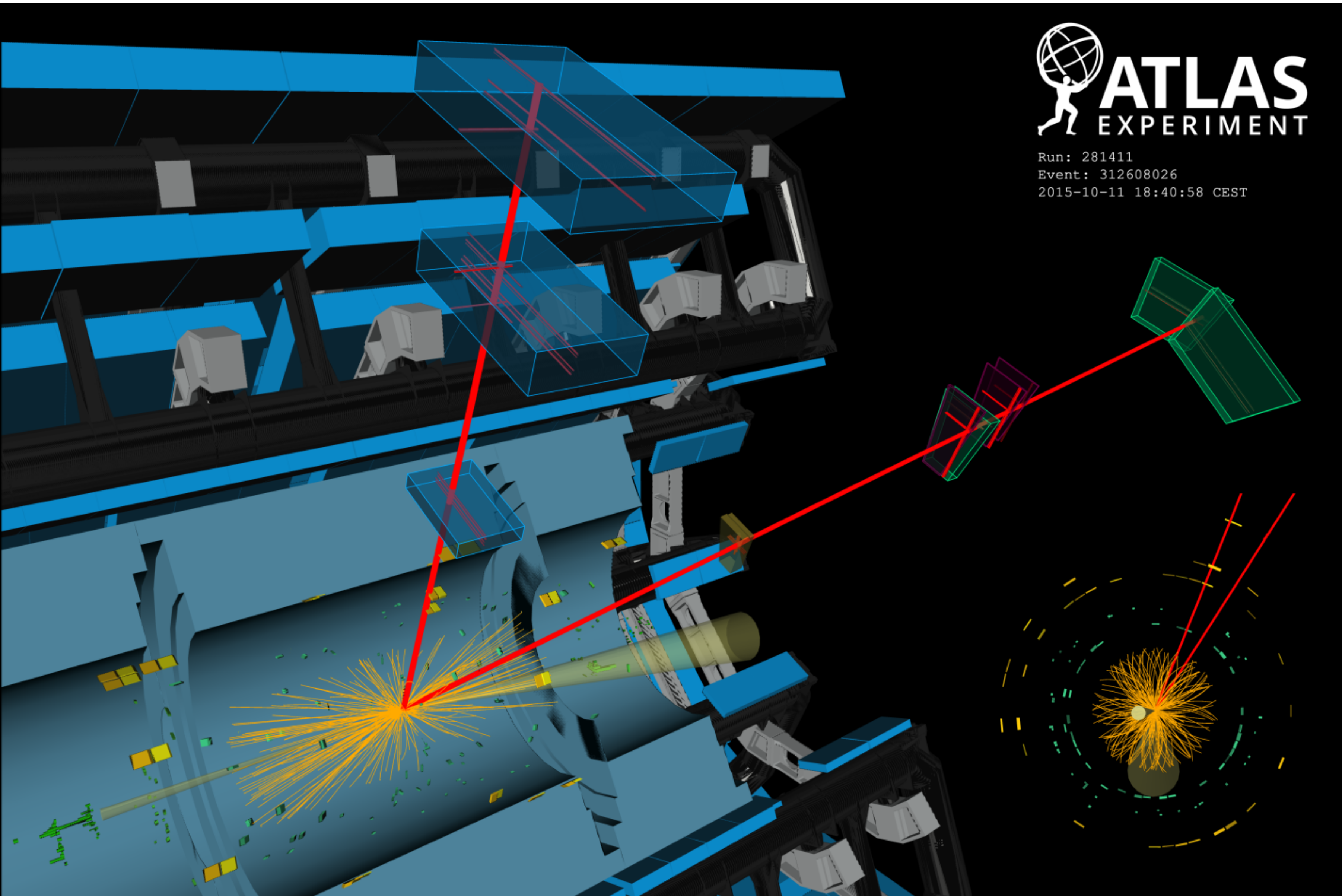
Muon System



We want to trace muons:
measure their kinematics
& identify them

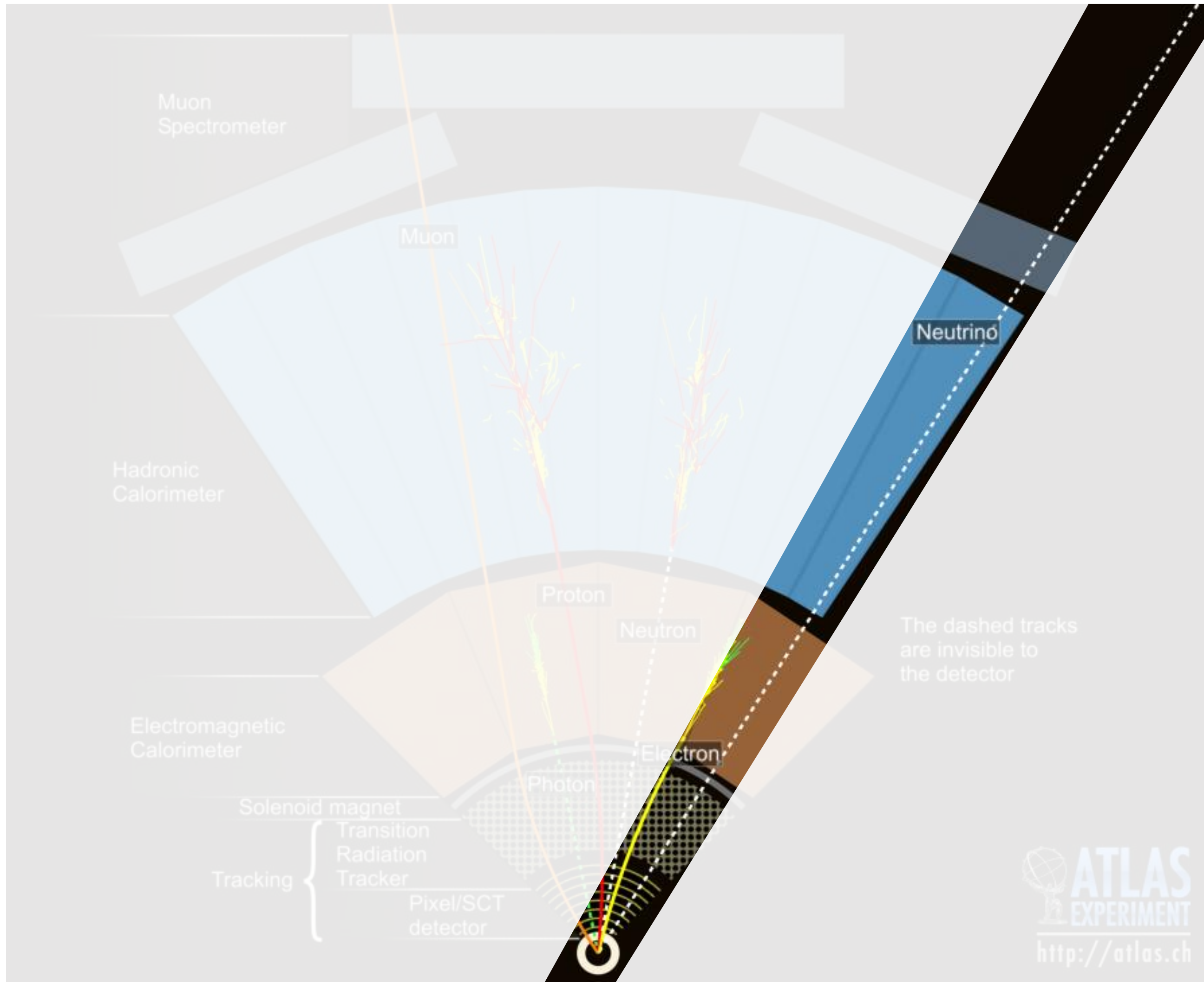
Principles of a Particle Detector

Muon System



In ATLAS:
Another tracking detector

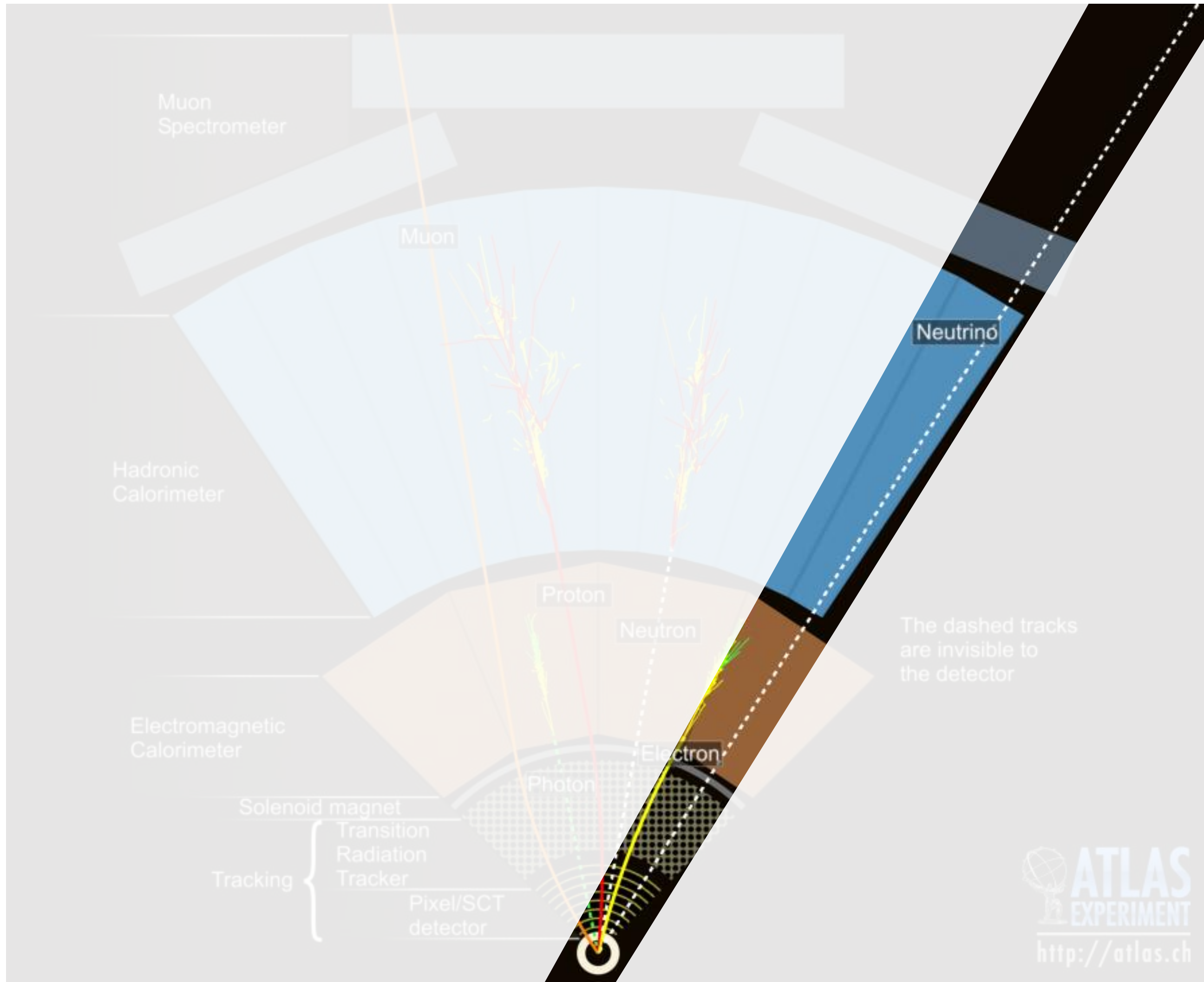
Principles of a **Particle Detector**



What about these guys?

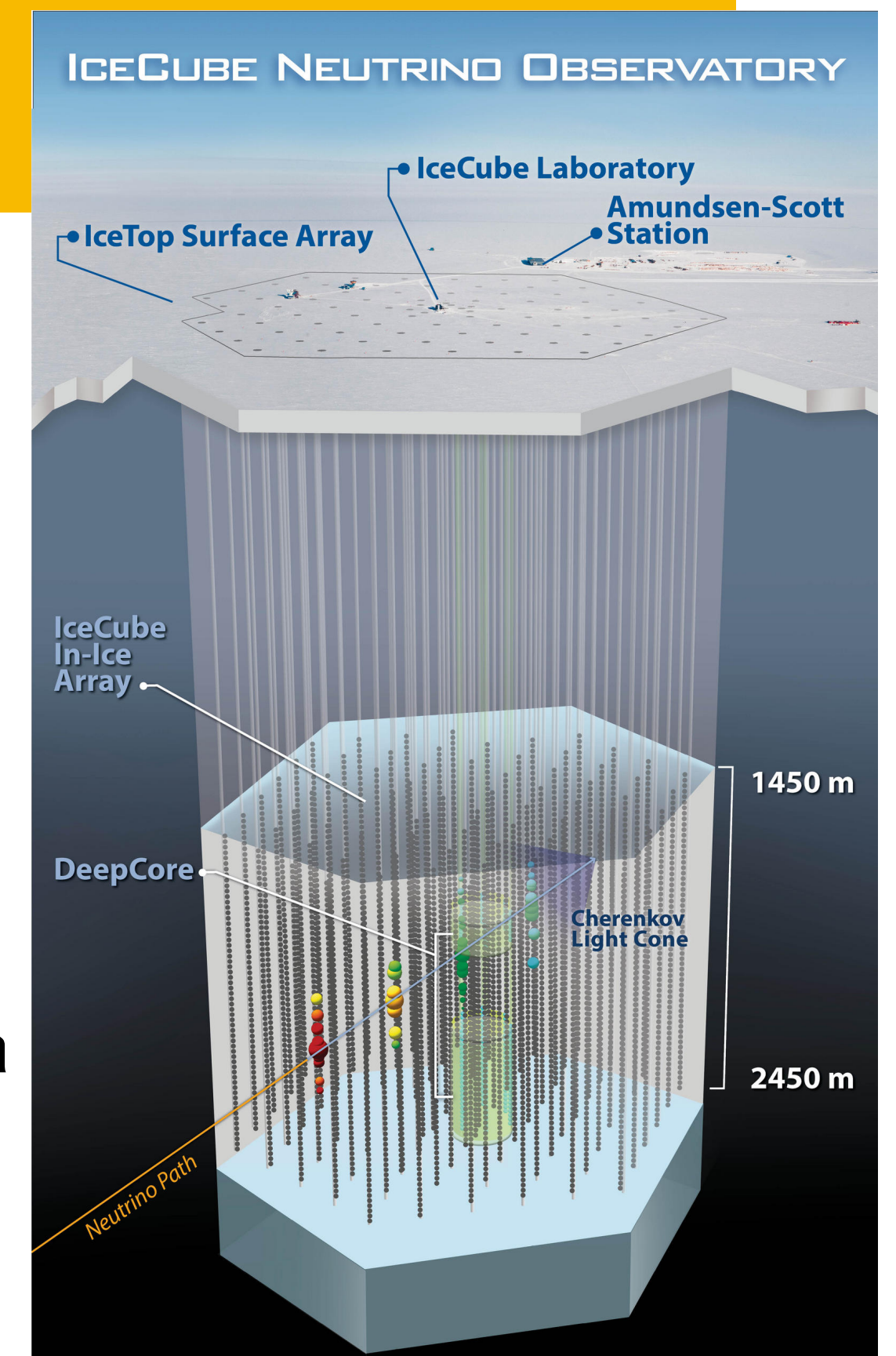
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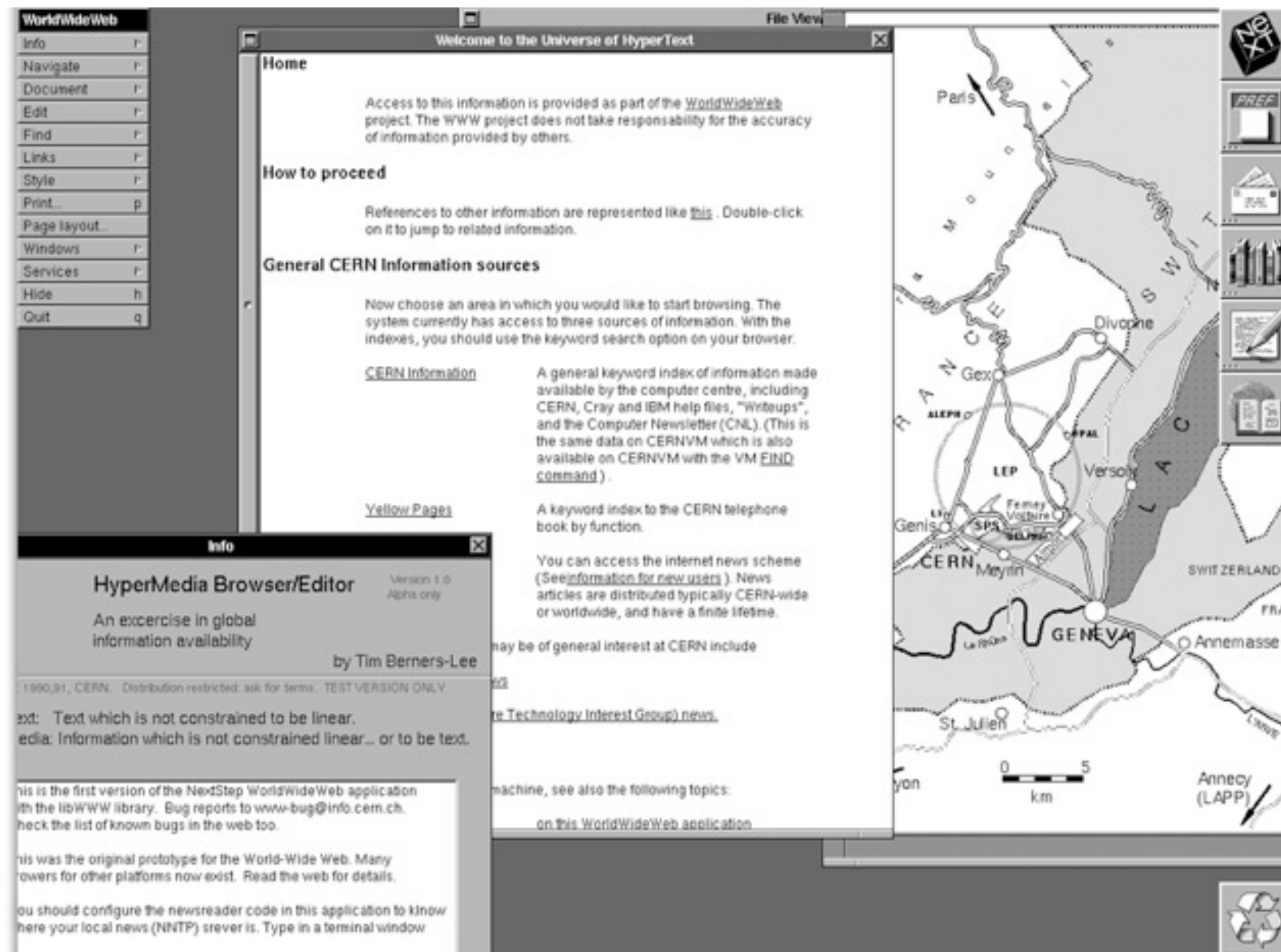
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You need a bigger tool for that.

wwwhere the web was born

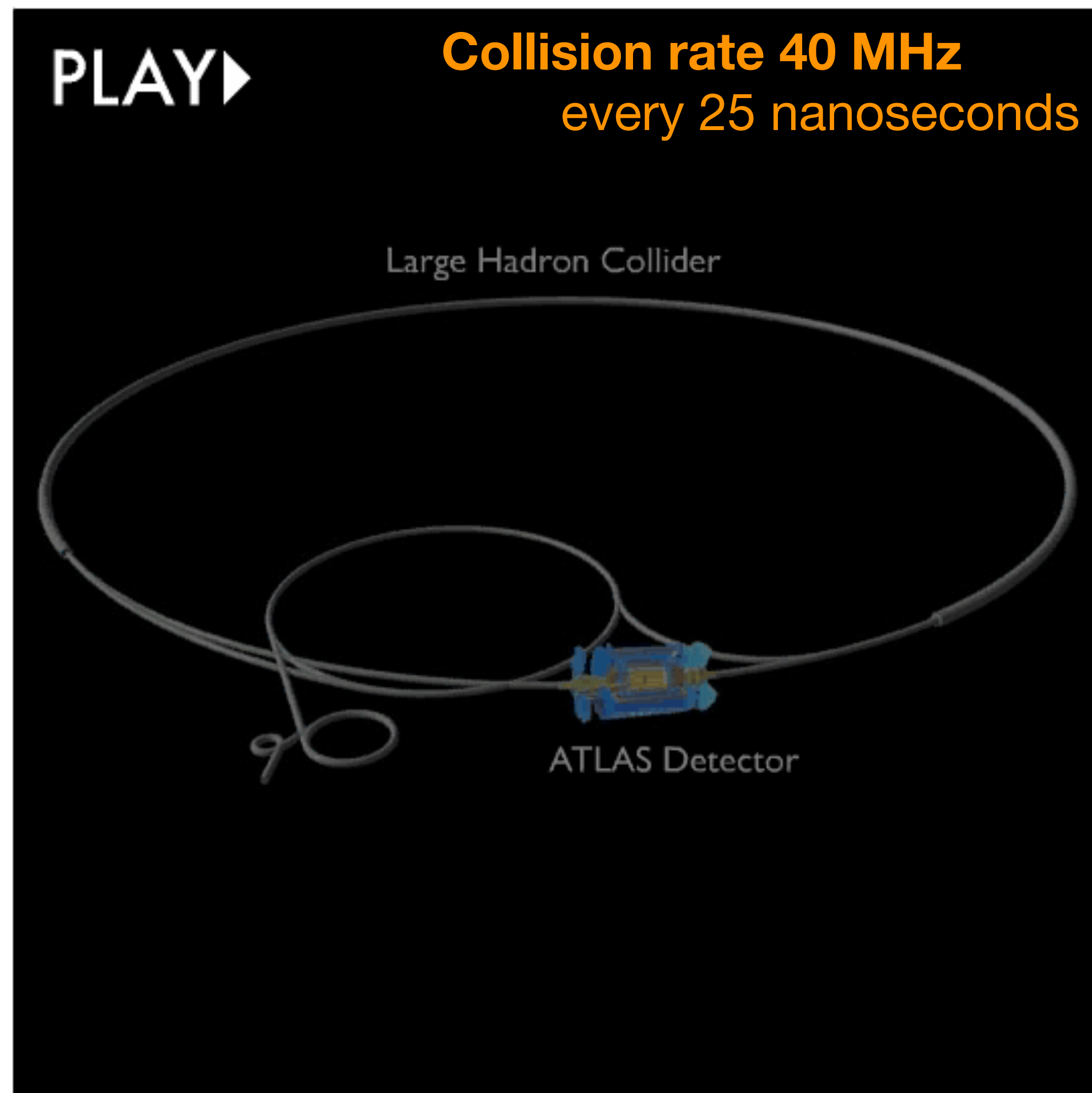
 100 million
readout
channels



Tim Berners-Lee



LHC in action - data acquisition



Level 1 Trigger to 100 kHz
on detector electronics

High level trigger ~1kHz
close-by computer farm

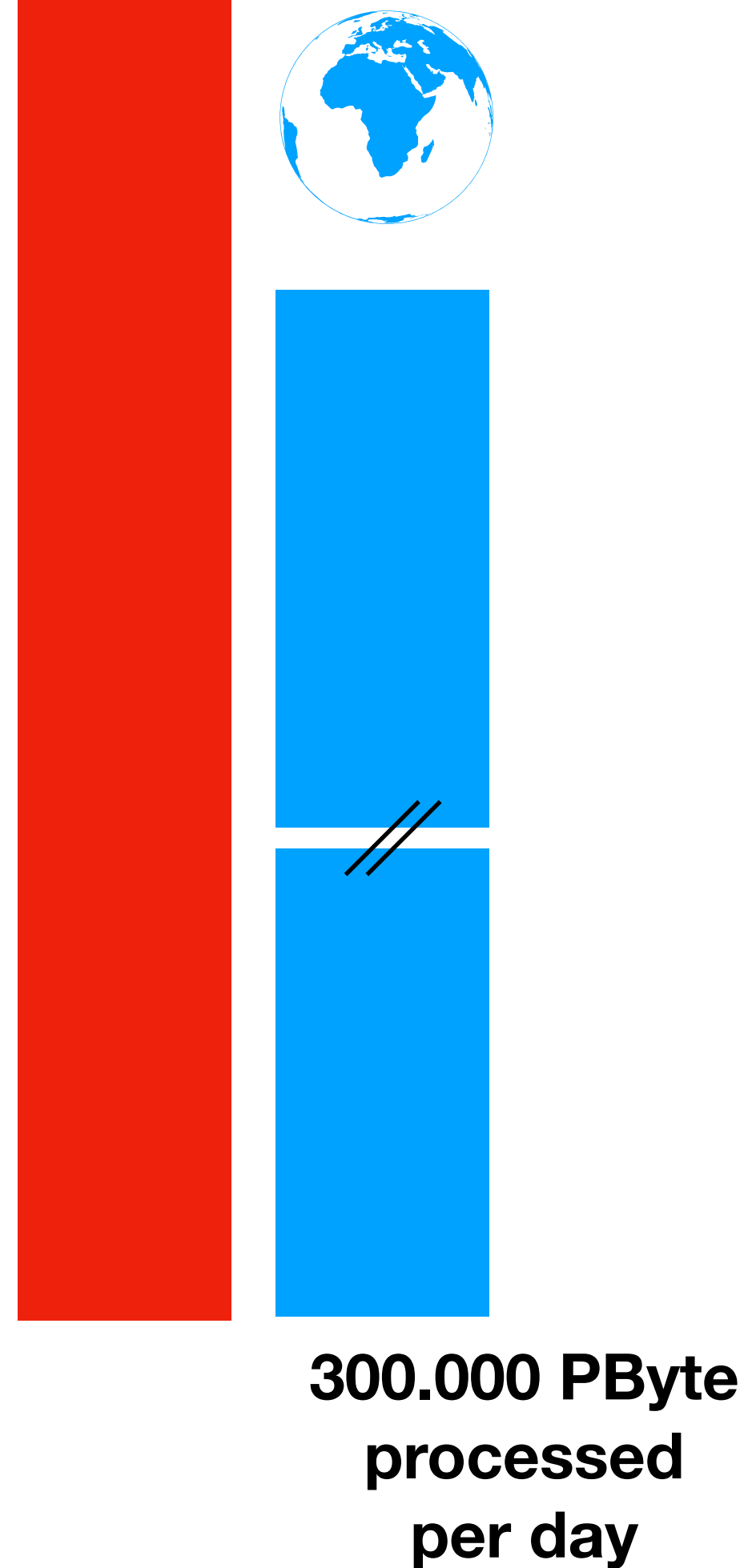
Full processing of events
~1000 events/second
raw event size of 1.5 Mbyte/event

Data Analysis & publication

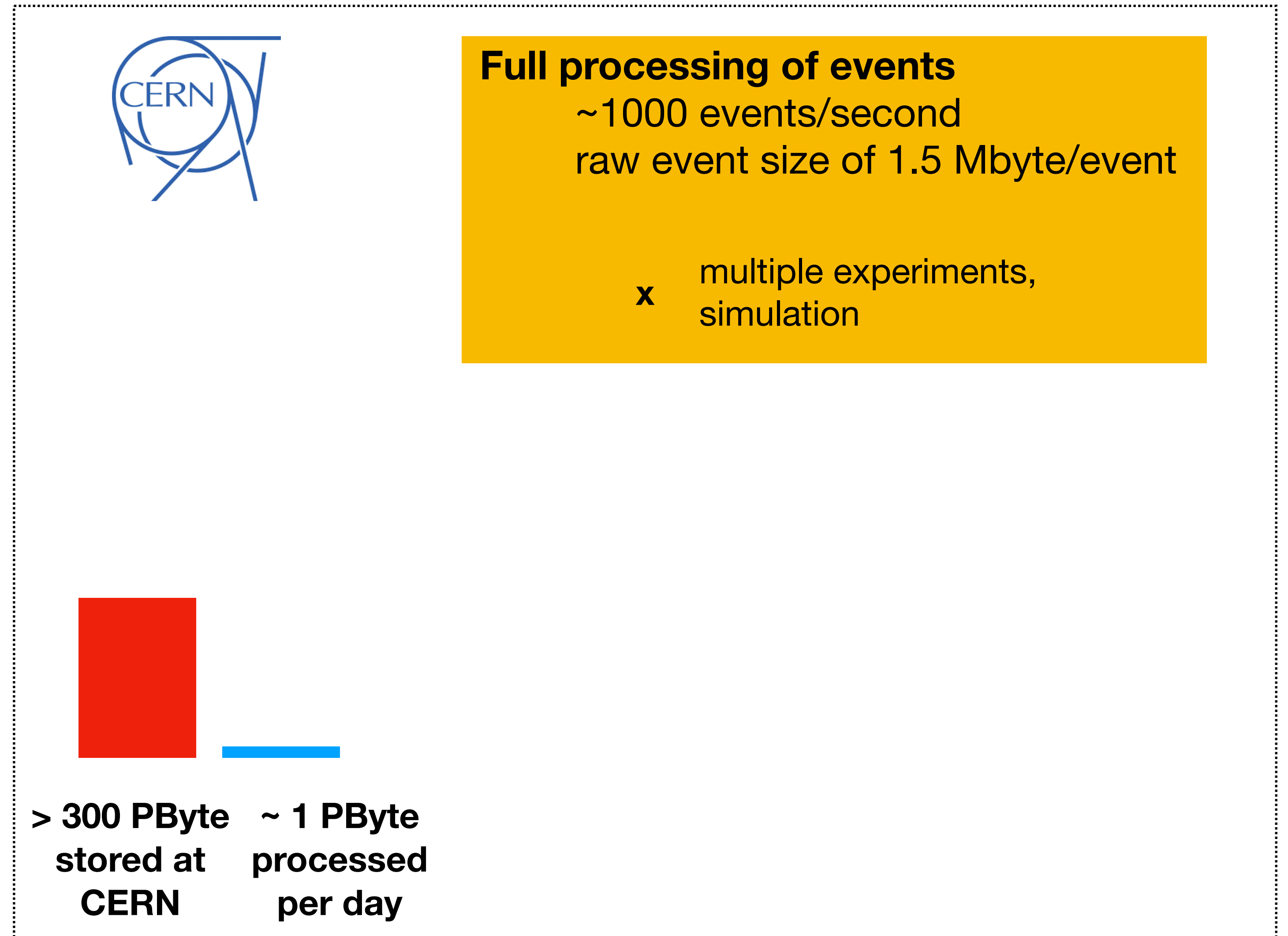


Nobel prize

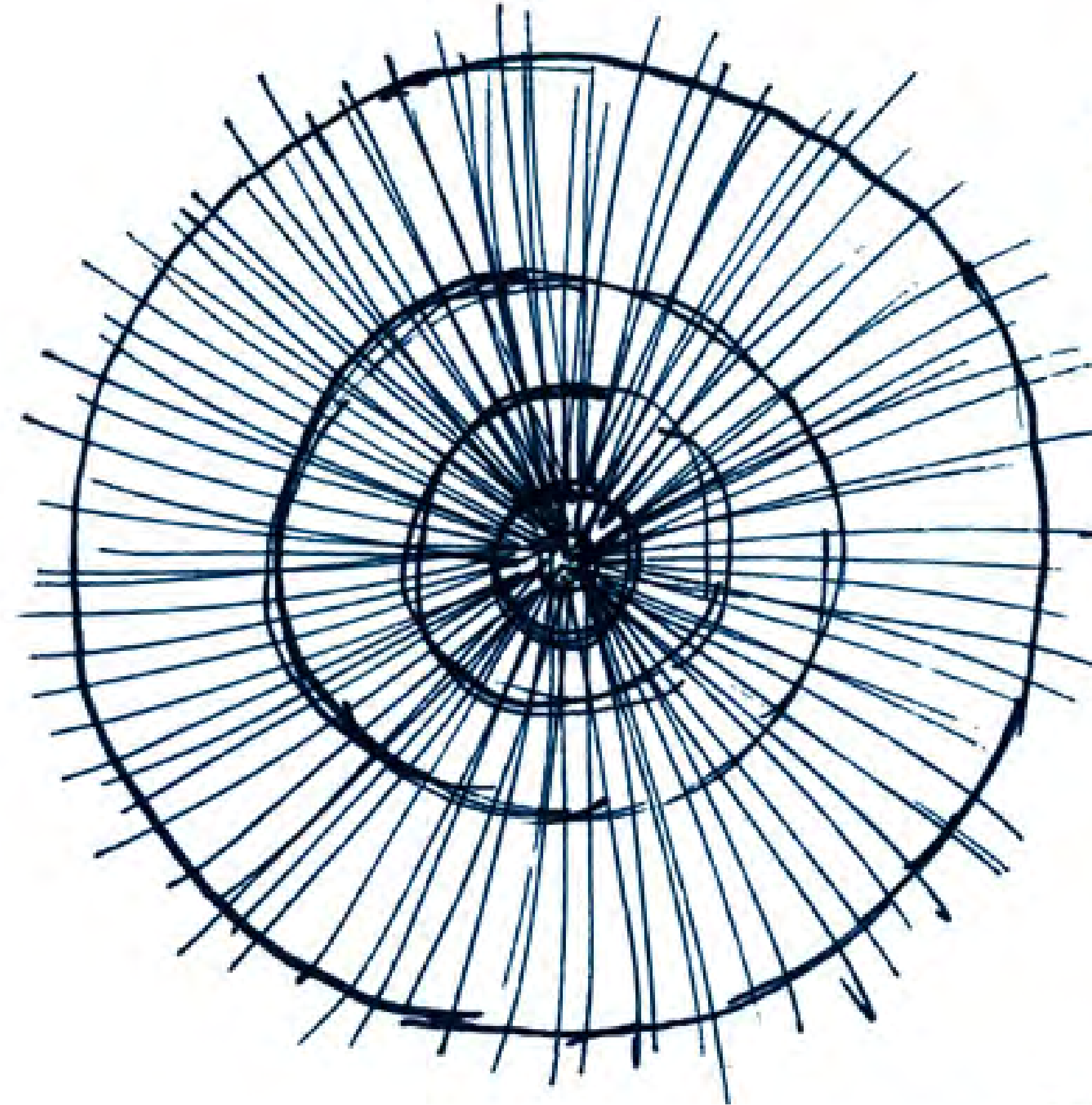
LHC big data - how big is big?



[Data Source World] [Data Source CERN]



Why the hassle?



Physics - or why boring things are boring

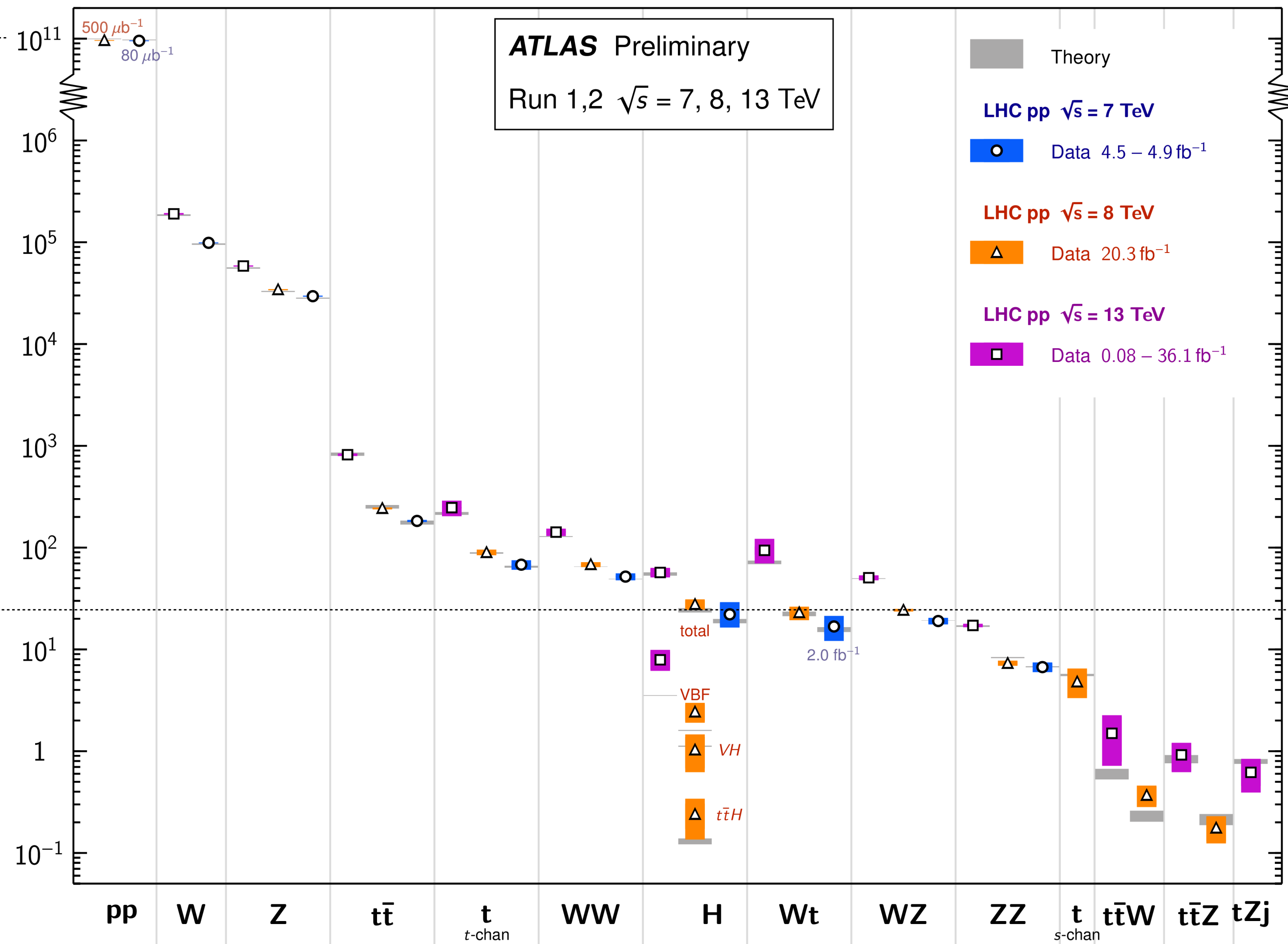
The boring regime:

“probability” of any interaction

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The exciting regime:

“probability” of a Higgs boson production



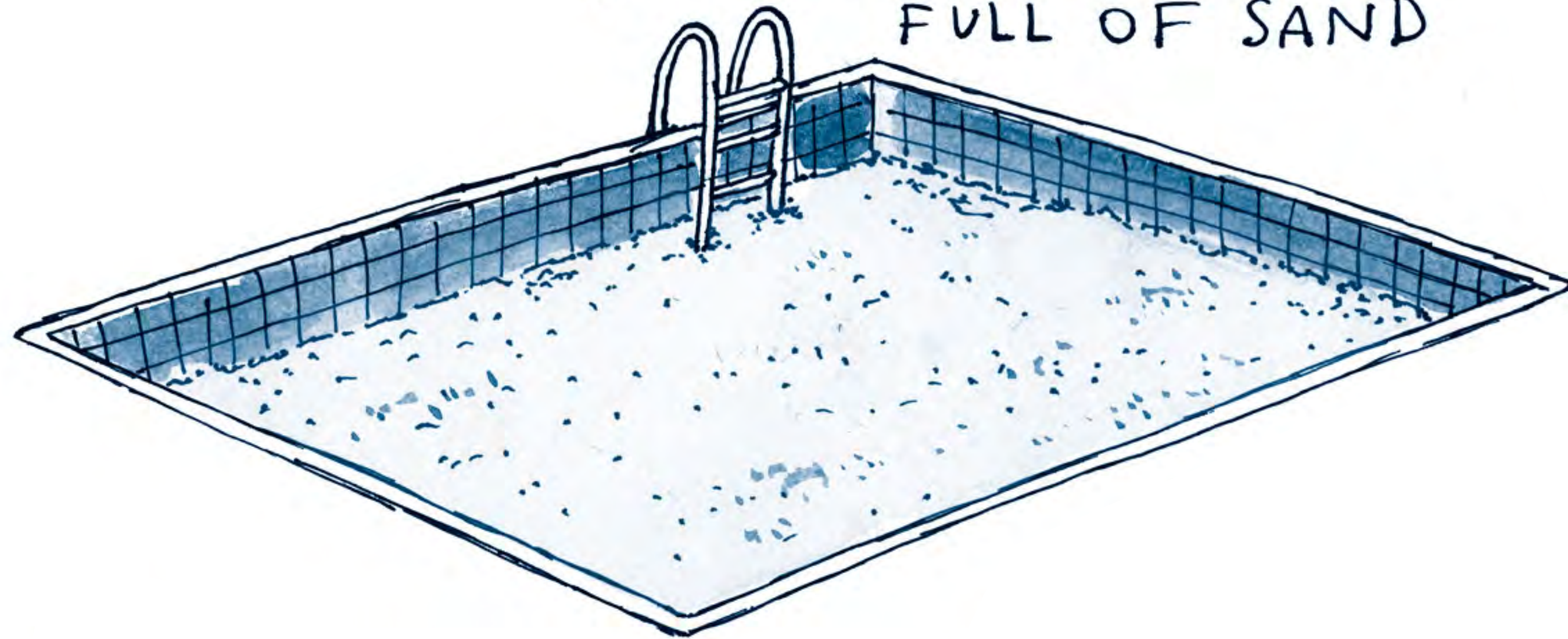
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The crazy regime:
super symmetry?
extra dimensions?
magnetic monopoles?

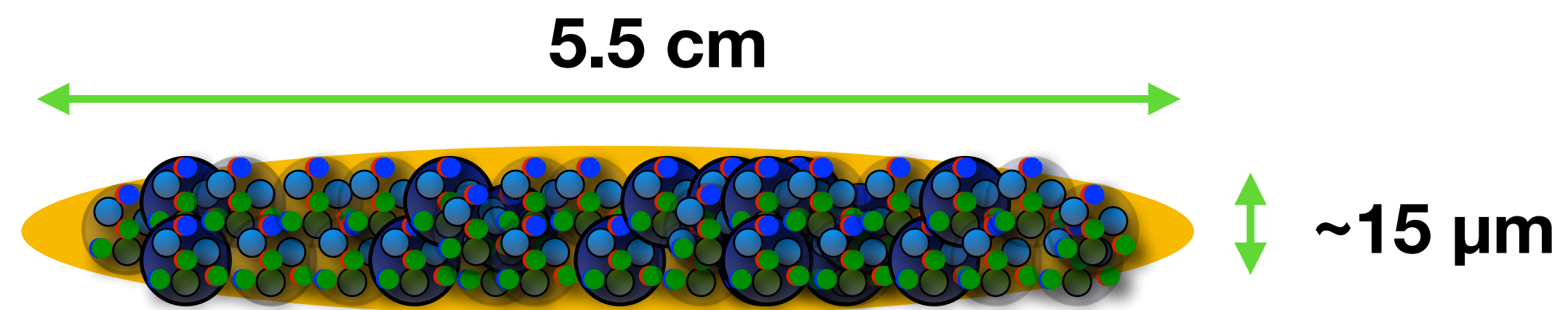
Figure: Standard Model cross sections measured with the ATLAS experiment and compared to theoretical predictions, July 2017

Ah ... yeah, and the **Higgs** boson.

FINDING THE HIGGS BOSON
IS LIKE LOOKING FOR
ONE SPECIAL SAND CORN
IN A SWIMMING POOL
FULL OF SAND

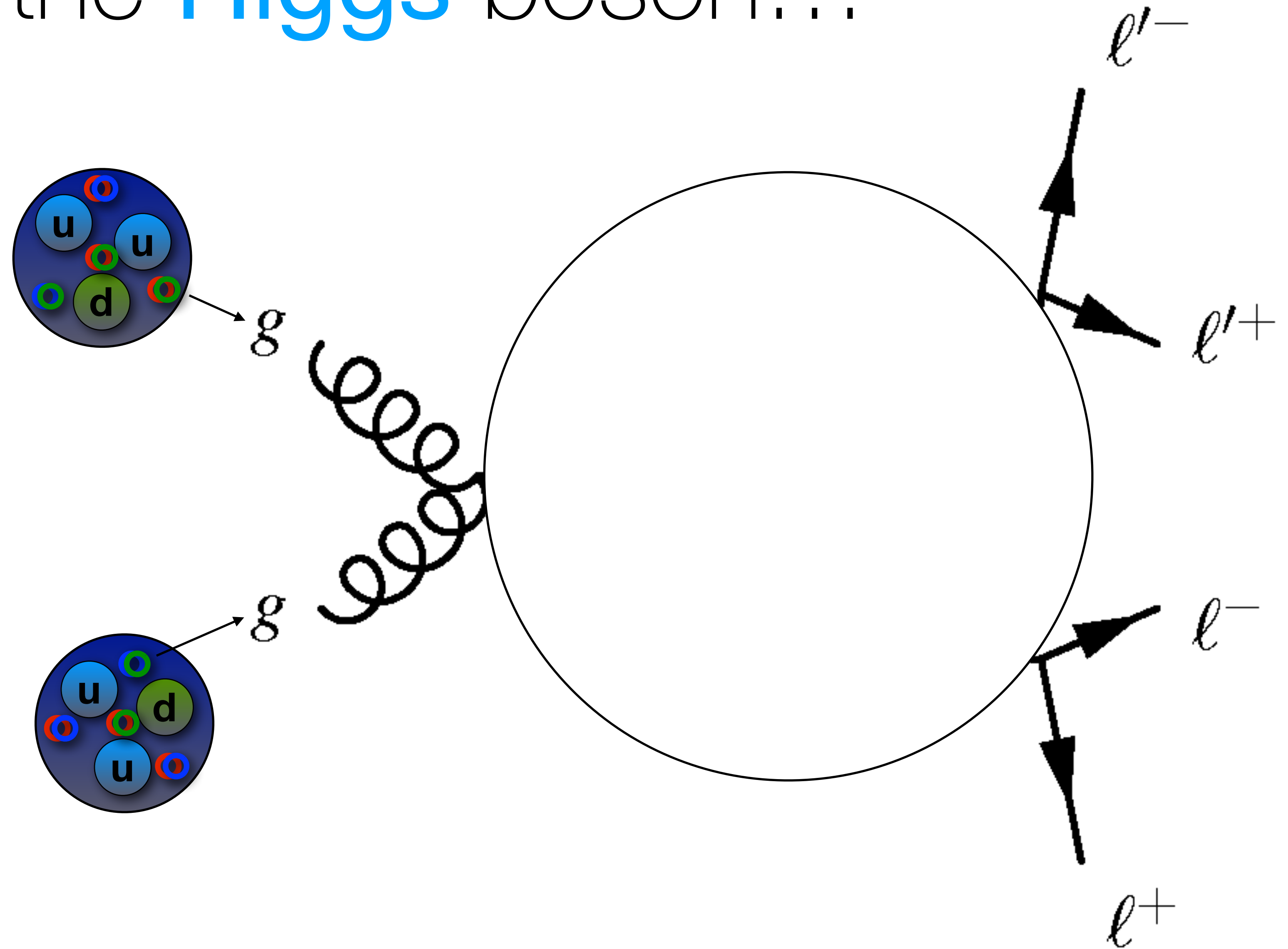


Creating the **Higgs** boson...

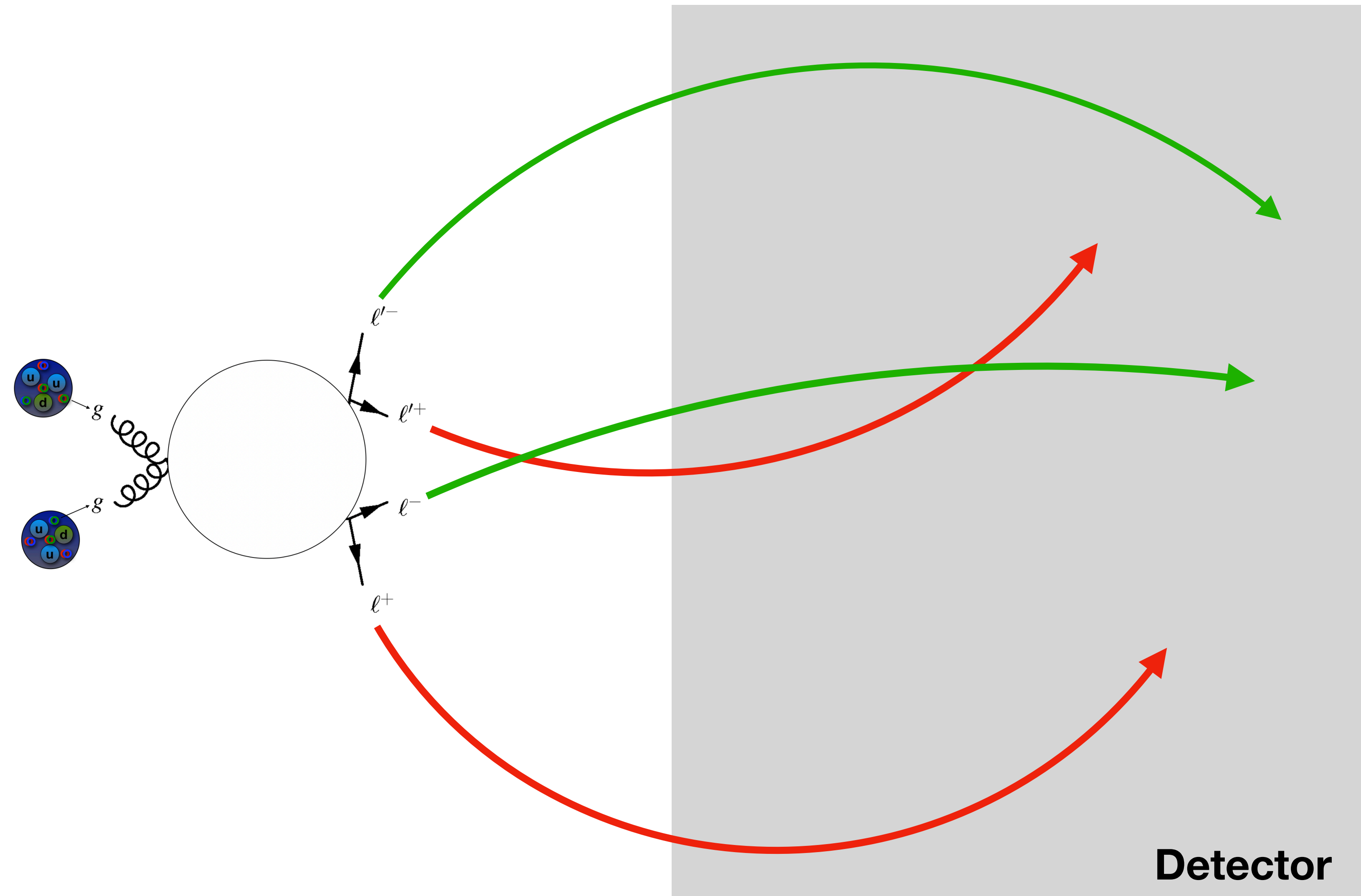


~ 40 individual proton-proton interactions

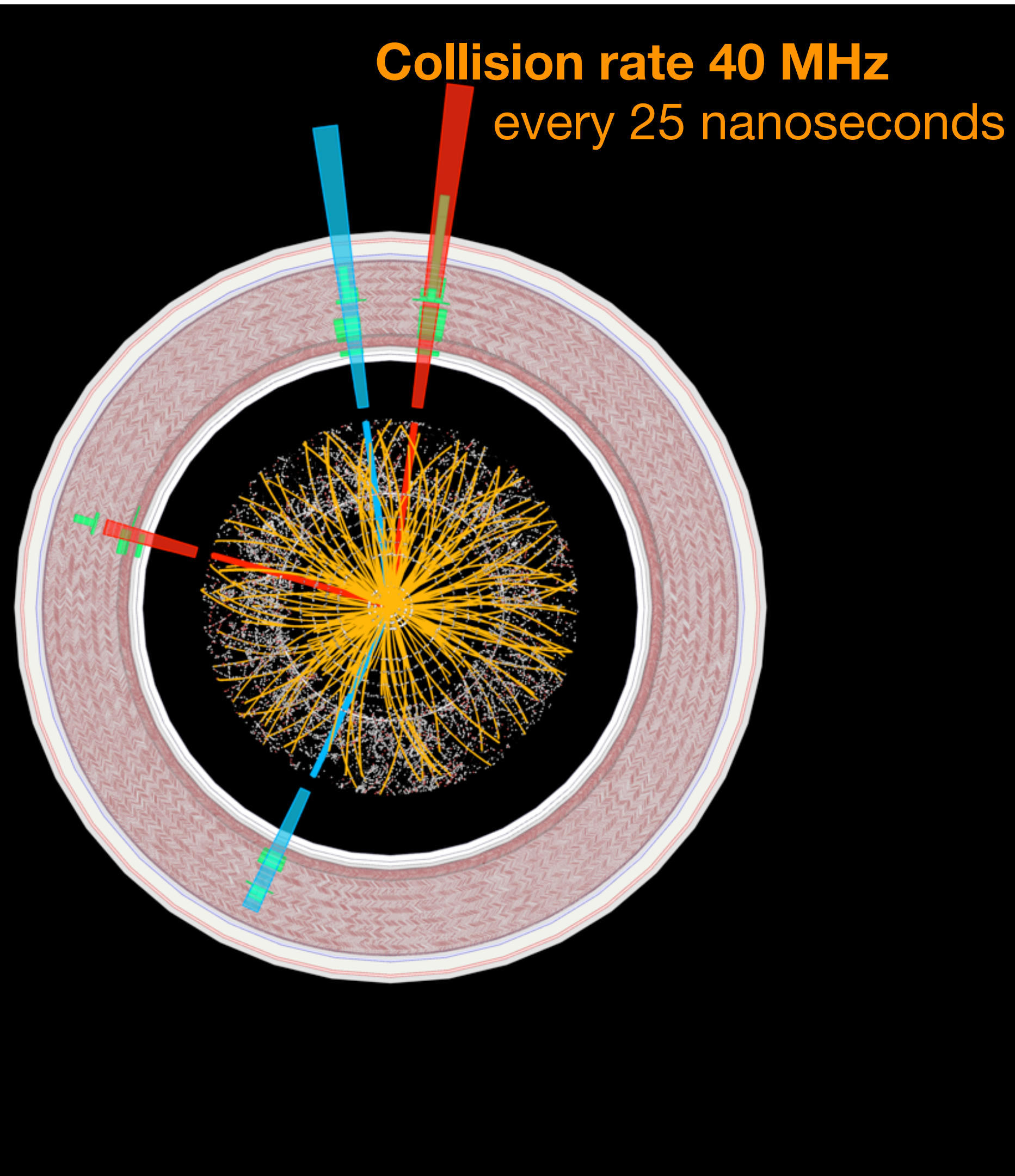
Creating the **Higgs** boson...



Finding the **Higgs** boson...



Finding the **Higgs** boson...



Level 1 Trigger to 100 kHz
on detector electronics

High level trigger ~1kHz
close-by computer farm

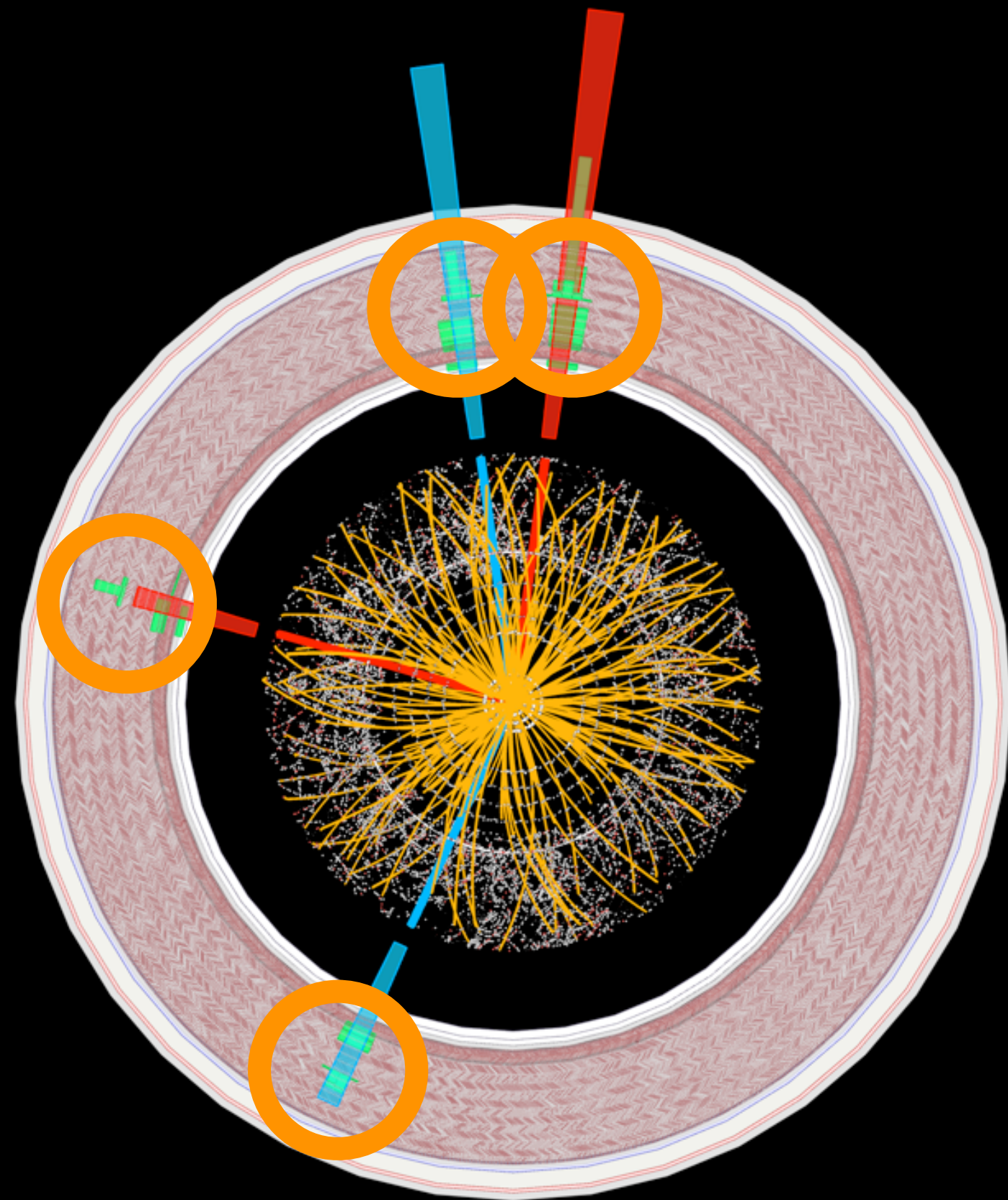
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1000 events/second

Data Analysis & publication



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Finding the **Higgs** boson...



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4 lepton signals

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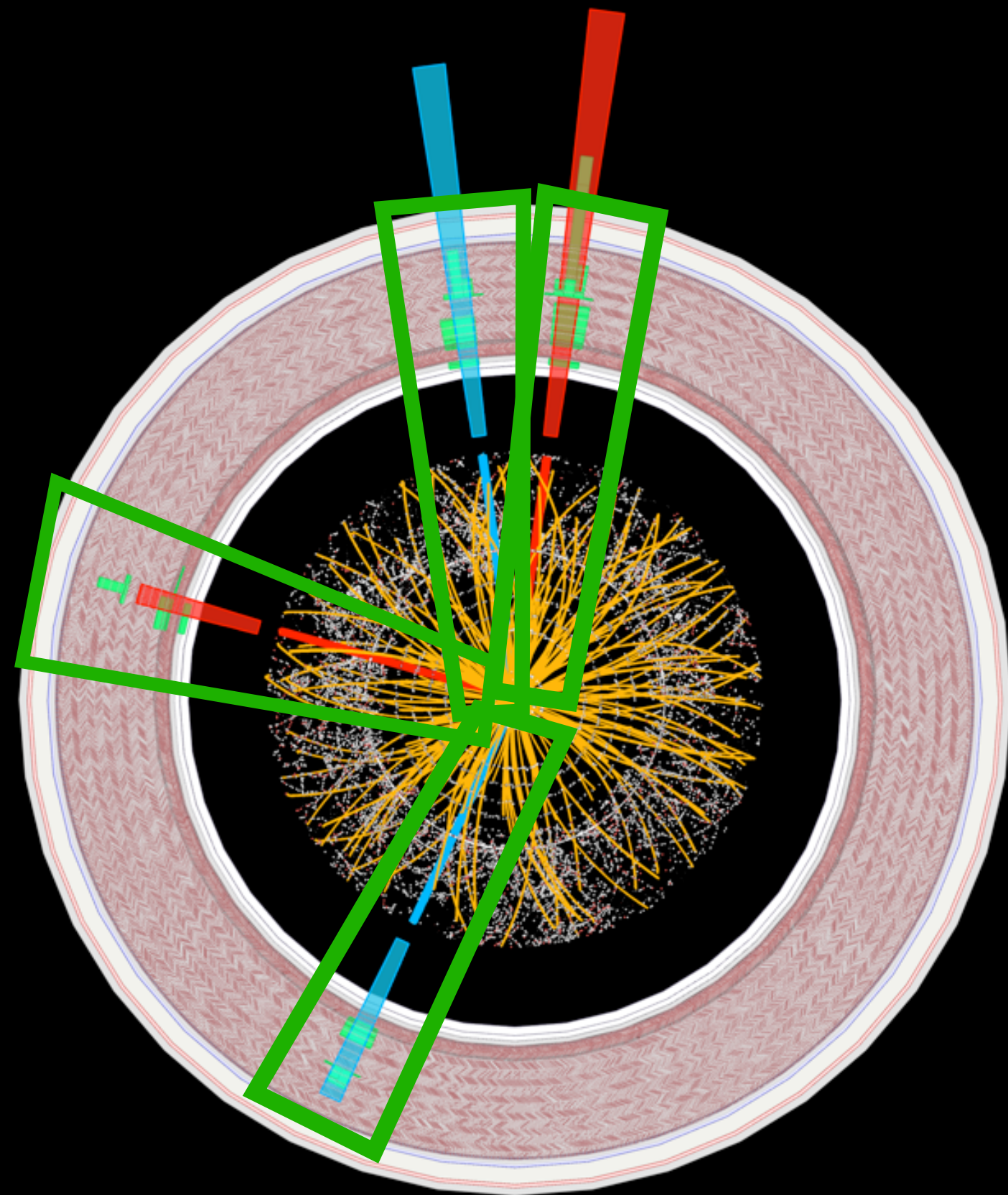
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4 lepton signals confirmed

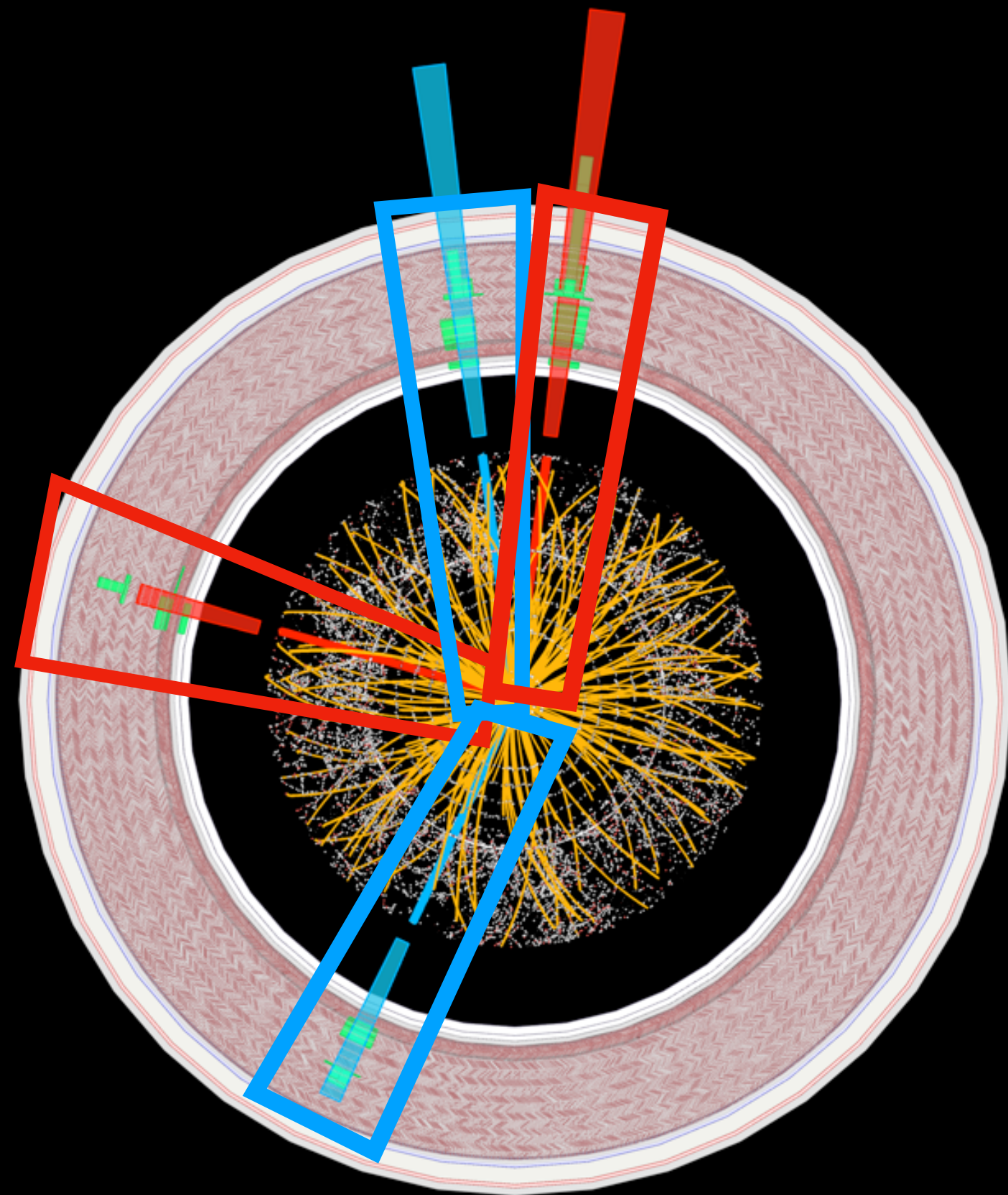
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2 positive leptons
2 negative leptons
and measured

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Finding the **Higgs** boson...

Lesson 1 - Minkowski arithmetic

$$p_\mu = (E, p_x, p_y, p_z)$$

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑
energy momentum

Invariant mass:

$$M^2 = E^2 - p_x^2 - p_y^2 - p_z^2$$

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confirmed

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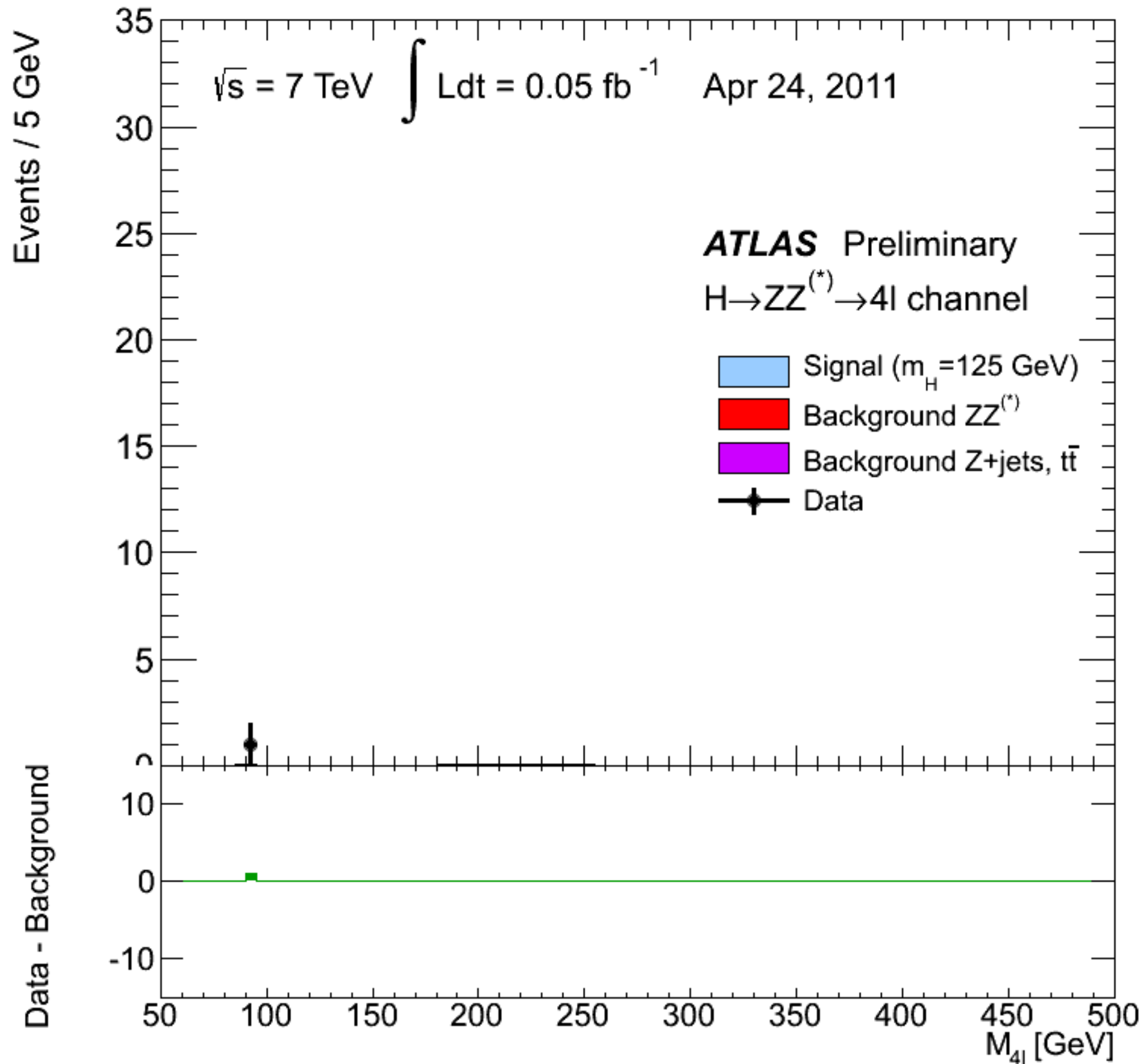
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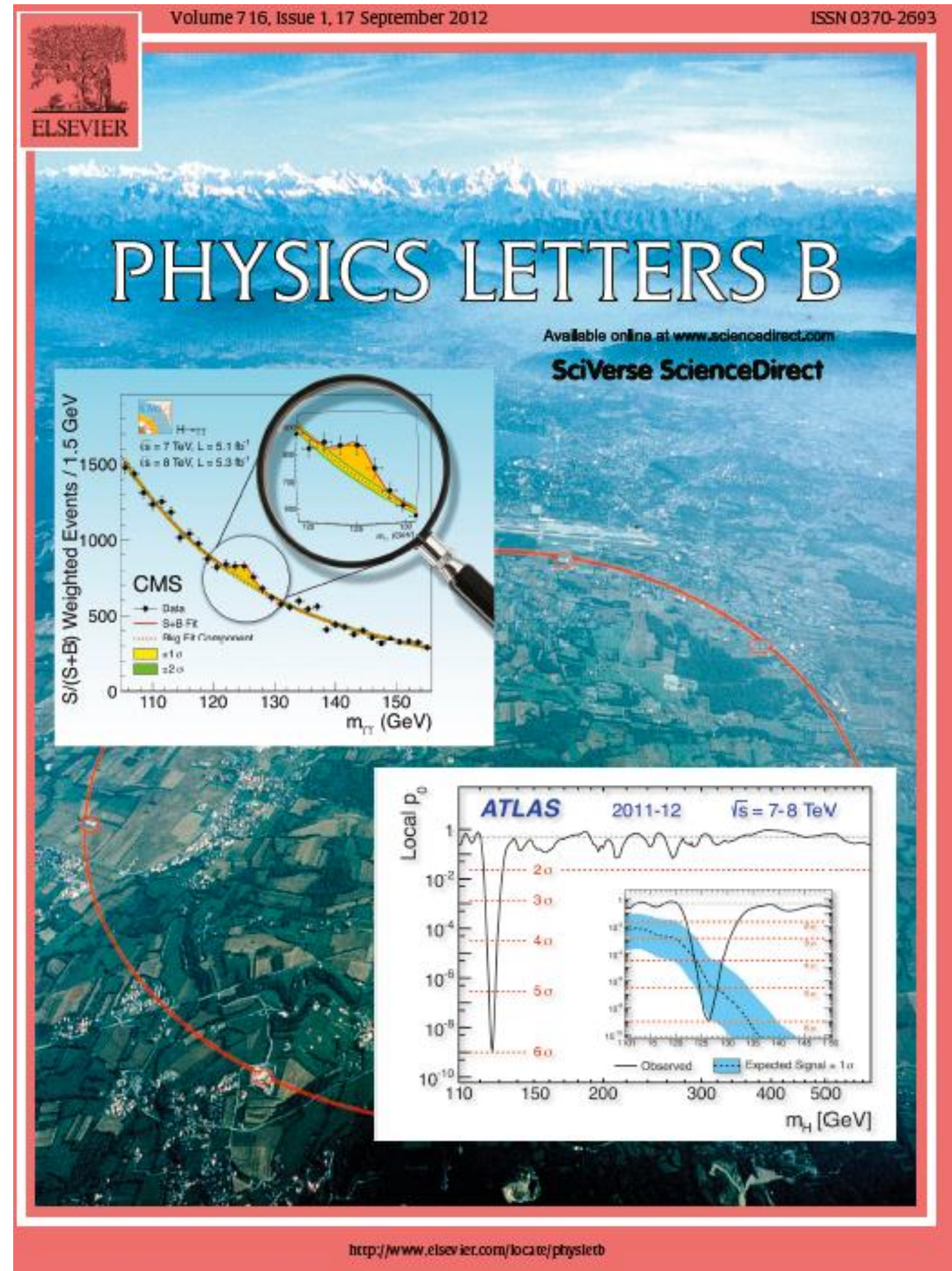
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The Nobel Prize in Physics 2013



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Prize share: 1/2



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Peter W. Higgs

Prize share: 1/2

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scientific information



Observation of a new particle in the search for the Standard Model Higgs boson with the ATLAS detector at the LHC[☆]

ATLAS Collaboration^{*}

This paper is dedicated to the memory of our ATLAS colleagues who did not live to see the full impact and significance of their contributions to the experiment.

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ABSTRACT

A search for the Standard Model Higgs boson in proton–proton collisions with the ATLAS detector at the LHC is presented. The datasets used correspond to integrated luminosities of approximately 4.8 fb⁻¹ collected at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV in 2011 and 5.8 fb⁻¹ at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV in 2012. Individual searches in the channels $H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4\ell$, $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow WW^{(*)} \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$ in the 8 TeV data are combined with previously published results of searches for $H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)}$, $WW^{(*)}$, $b\bar{b}$ and $\tau^+\tau^-$ in the 7 TeV data and results from improved analyses of the $H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4\ell$ and $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ channels in the 7 TeV data. Clear evidence for the production of a neutral boson with a measured mass of 126.0 ± 0.4 (stat) ± 0.4 (sys) GeV is presented. This observation, which has a significance of 5.9 standard deviations, corresponding to a background fluctuation probability of 1.7×10^{-9} , is compatible with the production and decay of the Standard Model Higgs boson.

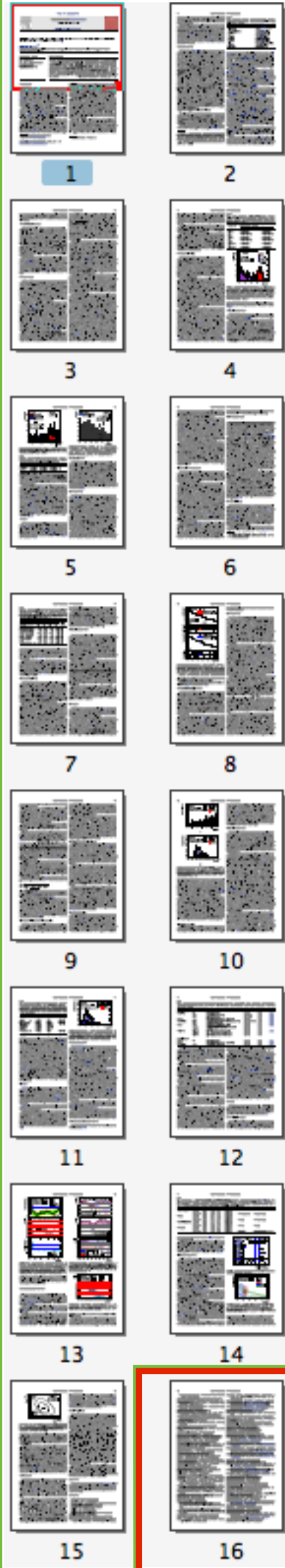
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~ 3000 authors

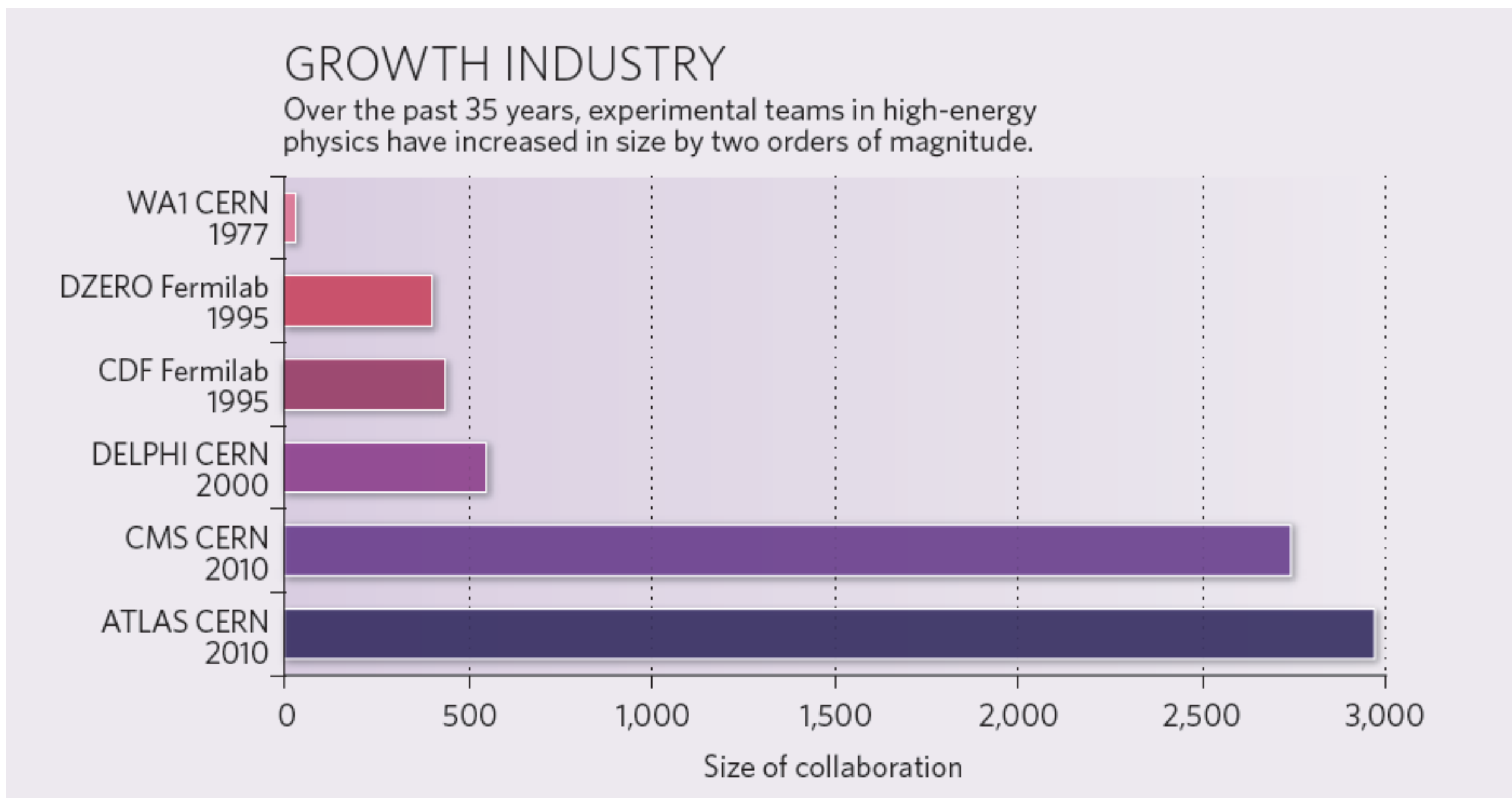


The ATLAS collaboration



Large Hadron Collider

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THE LARGE HUMAN COLLIDER

Social scientists have embedded themselves at CERN to study the world's biggest research collaboration. **Zeeya Merali** reports on a 10,000-person physics project.

"I am here to watch you." So began anthropologist Arpita Roy when introducing herself in 2007 to a roomful of particle physicists. At the time, those scientists were racing to finish work on the world's biggest machine, the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN, Europe's high-energy physics laboratory near Geneva, Switzerland. The LHC carries the hopes of generations of physicists, who have designed it to reach energies never before achieved in a collider and — possibly — to produce a zoo of particles new to science. But the LHC is also a huge human experiment, bringing together an unprecedented number of scientists. So in recent years, sociologists, anthropologists, historians and philosophers have been visiting CERN to see just how these densely packed physicists collide, ricochet and sometimes explode.

"It's a cognitive bubble that you can't escape — that you don't want to escape."

"The LHC allows a unique sociological study of how an experiment develops in real time: how scientists form opinions, make technical decisions and circulate knowledge in such a big project," says Arianna Borrelli, a particle physicist and philosopher of physics at the University of Wuppertal in Germany. Sergio Bertolucci, CERN's research director, is acutely aware of the importance of cohesive collaboration. "This is an incredible social

experiment," he says, noting that roughly 10,000 physicists around the world are taking part in the LHC experiments and 2,250 of them are employed at CERN. Just reflecting on the size of the collaboration he co-manages makes Bertolucci's head ache. "Imagine the organization needed when 3,000 people all want to know in advance if they can go home for Christmas," he says.

Managers at CERN have endured a series of headaches since the LHC powered up in September 2008. A little more than a week after the collider came online, a faulty electrical coupling caused an explosion that brought the project to a halt for 14 months. That setback demoralized the scientists at CERN, particularly the graduate students, who worried about the fate of their degrees, says Roy. A graduate student herself, from the University of California, Berkeley, Roy has been camped out at CERN on and off for three years to observe the "language, taboos and rituals of this exotic community".

The collider restarted in November 2009 and should gather two years of data before it shuts down for a year of scheduled upgrades in 2012. Next month, the LHC is expected to achieve record energies of 7 teraelectron volts. The collider will reach such an extreme by accelerating two beams of protons to nearly

the speed of light and then sending them in opposite directions around a 27-kilometre underground track. The beams cross each other at four spots along the ring, and it is here that the real science happens, within giant detectors surrounding each collision zone. The two biggest particle detectors, A Toroidal LHC Apparatus (ATLAS) and the Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) experiment, are the size of apartment buildings and each boasts a team of nearly 3,000 people.

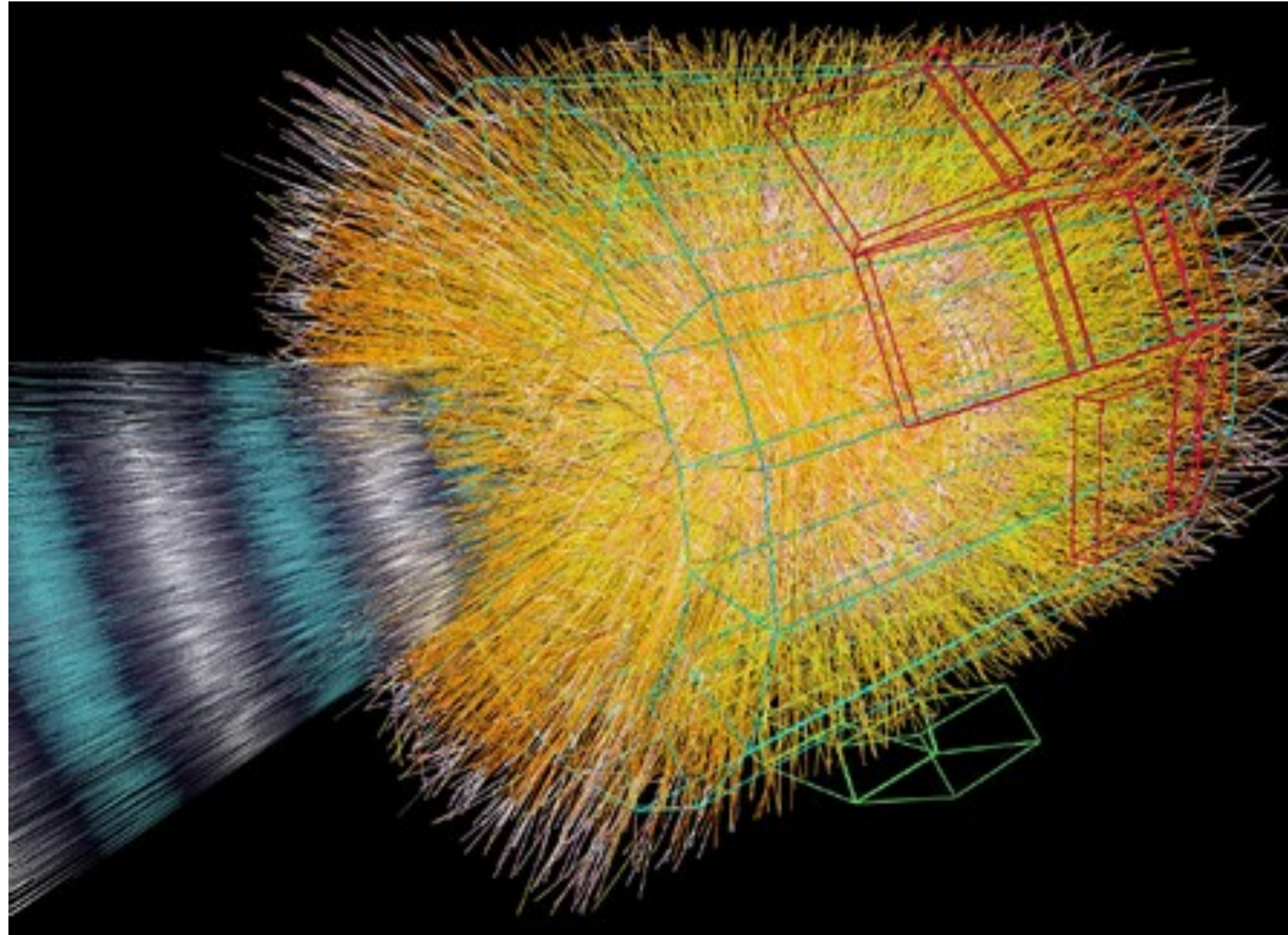
Population explosion
Each generation of collider has brought a jump in the size of the experimental collaborations (see graph, opposite), a trend that provides ample opportunities for researchers interested in human interactions. Karin Knorr Cetina, a sociologist at the University of Constance in Germany, is one of the few social scientists to have witnessed this growth directly over multiple generations. She has been studying CERN's collaborations for almost 30 years.

When Knorr Cetina first arrived, physicists there were working on a smaller collider and their detector teams were less than one-tenth the size of today's. "In those days 100 people in a team was considered huge," she says. Knorr Cetina says she was met with friendly bemusement by particle physicists, who were helpful, but thought of a sociologist "as a poor cousin of real scientists".

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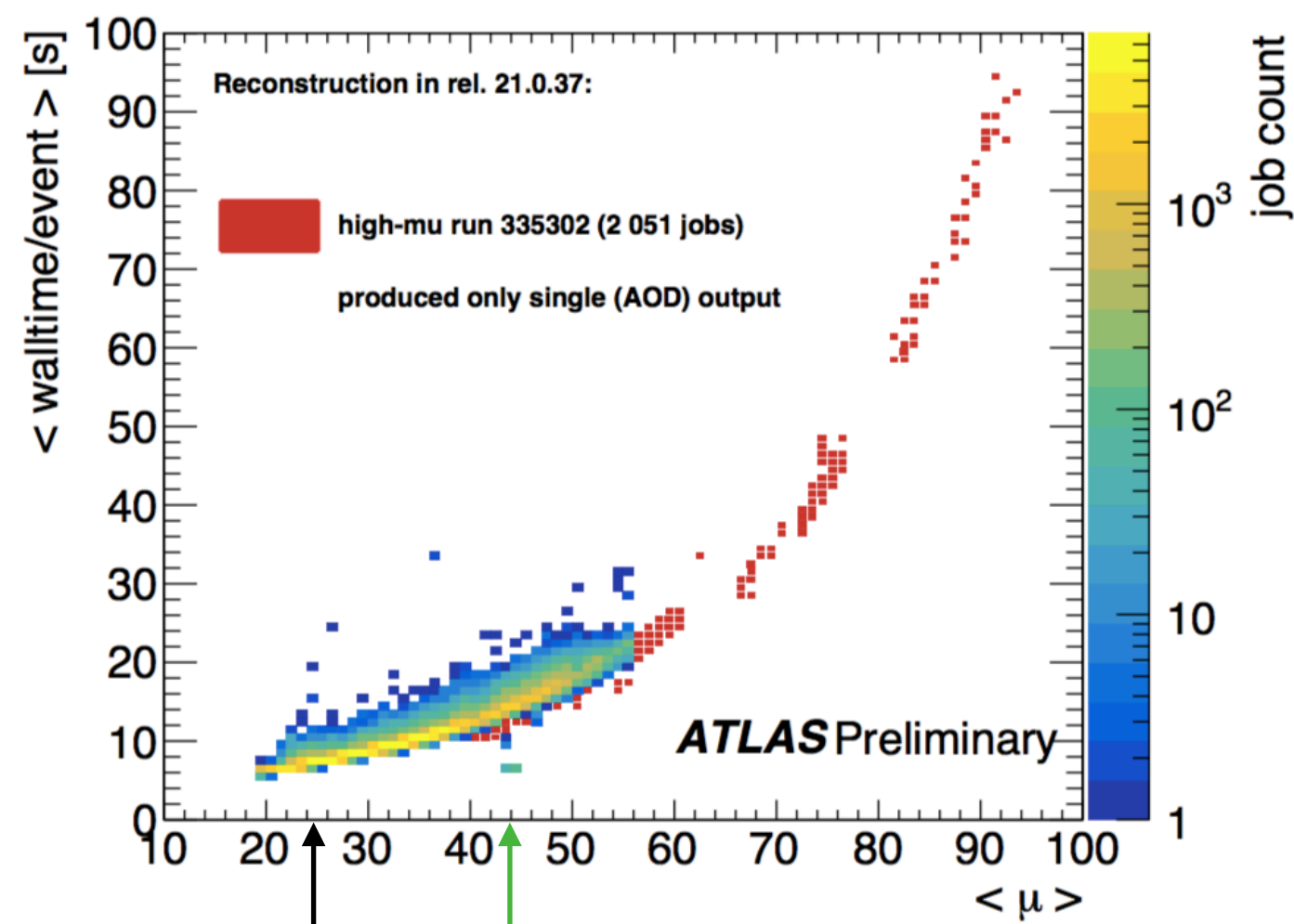
Event reconstruction becomes increasingly difficult

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- Can we profit from that?

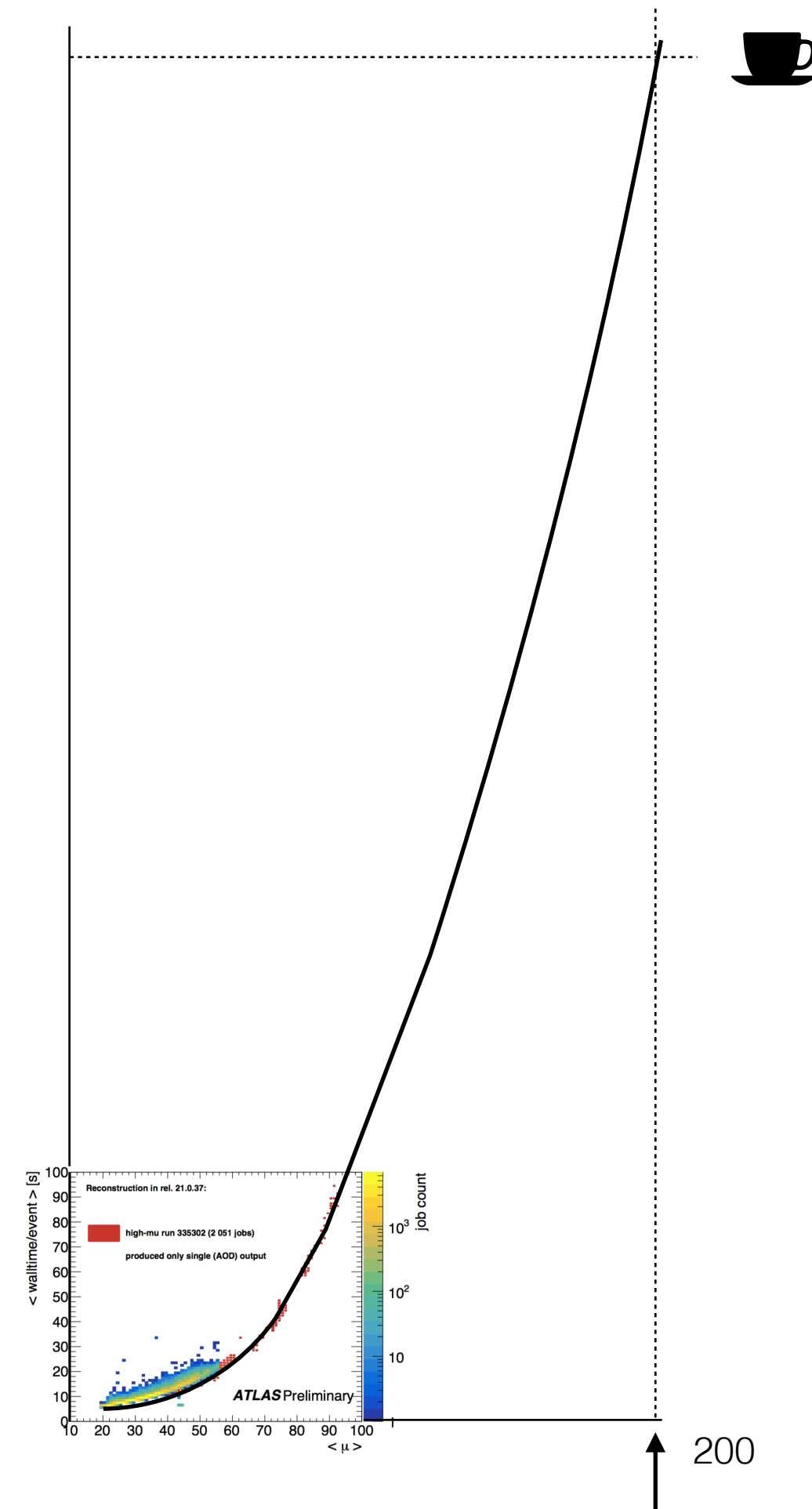


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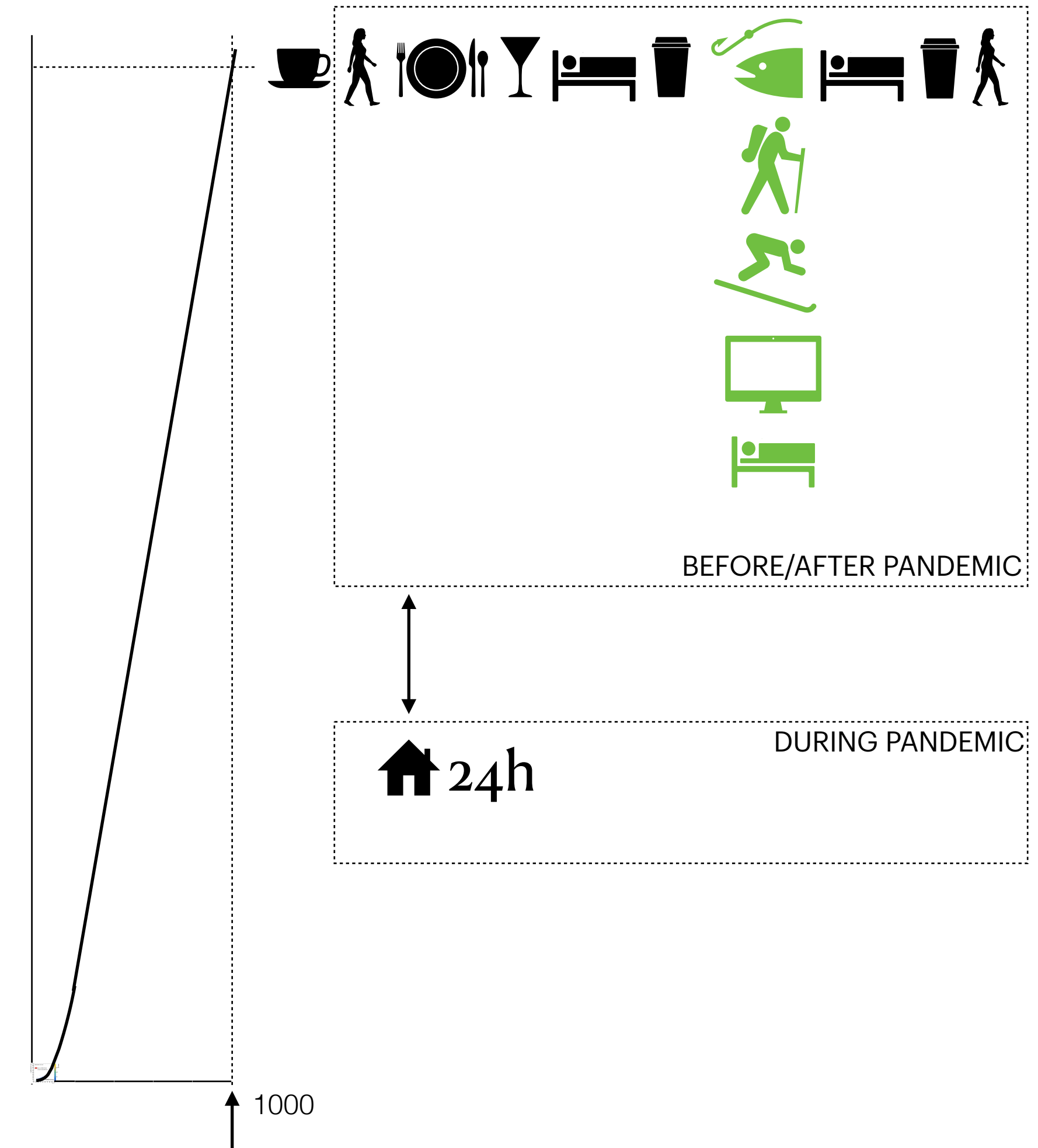
- Combinatorial problem
- And it clearly scales like such



DESIGN/ACTUAL LUMINOSITY OF LHC
(+ DETECTORs, + ALGORITHMs)



HIGH LUMINOSITY LHC (HL-LHC)
(EXP 2027)



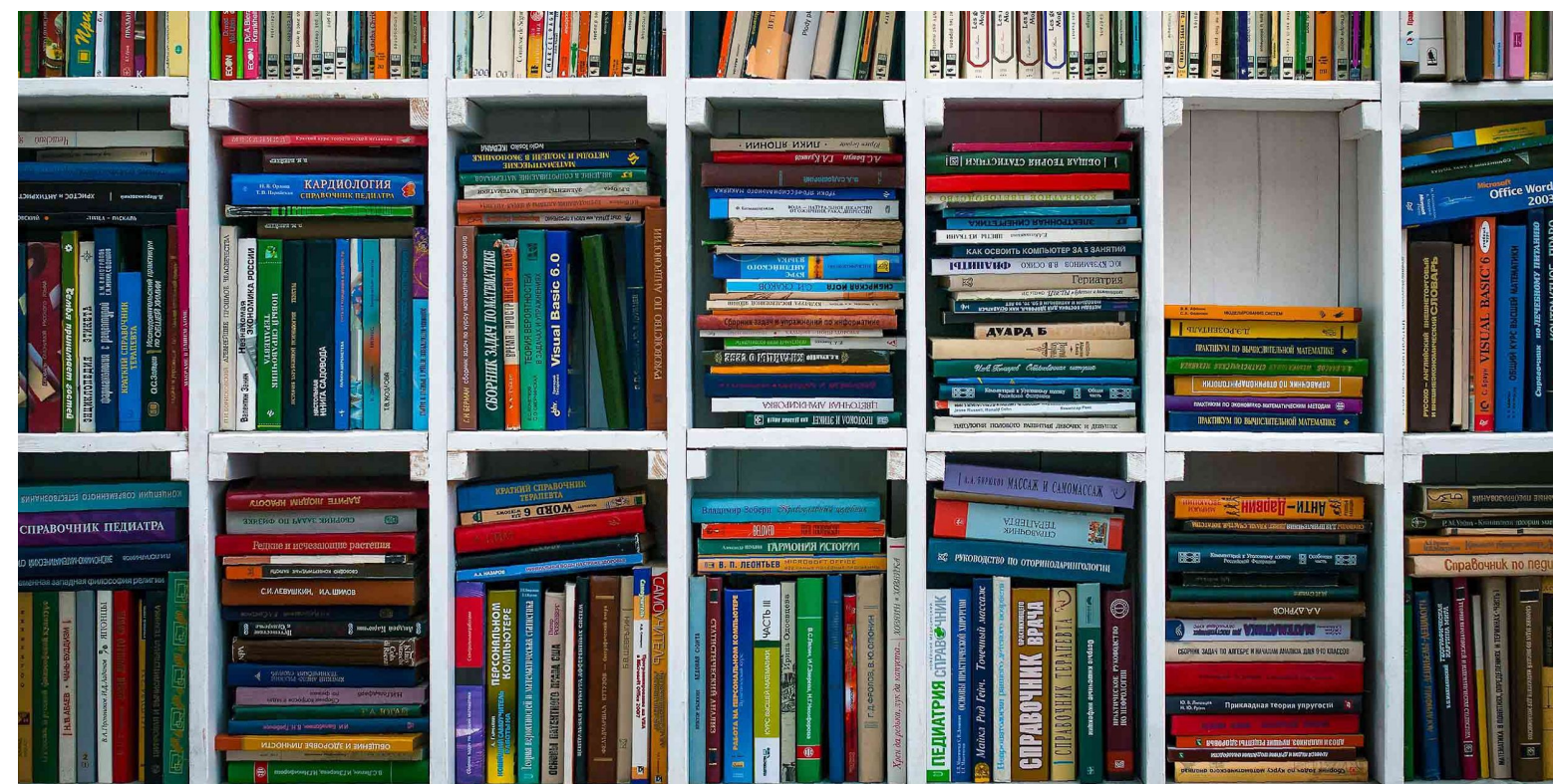
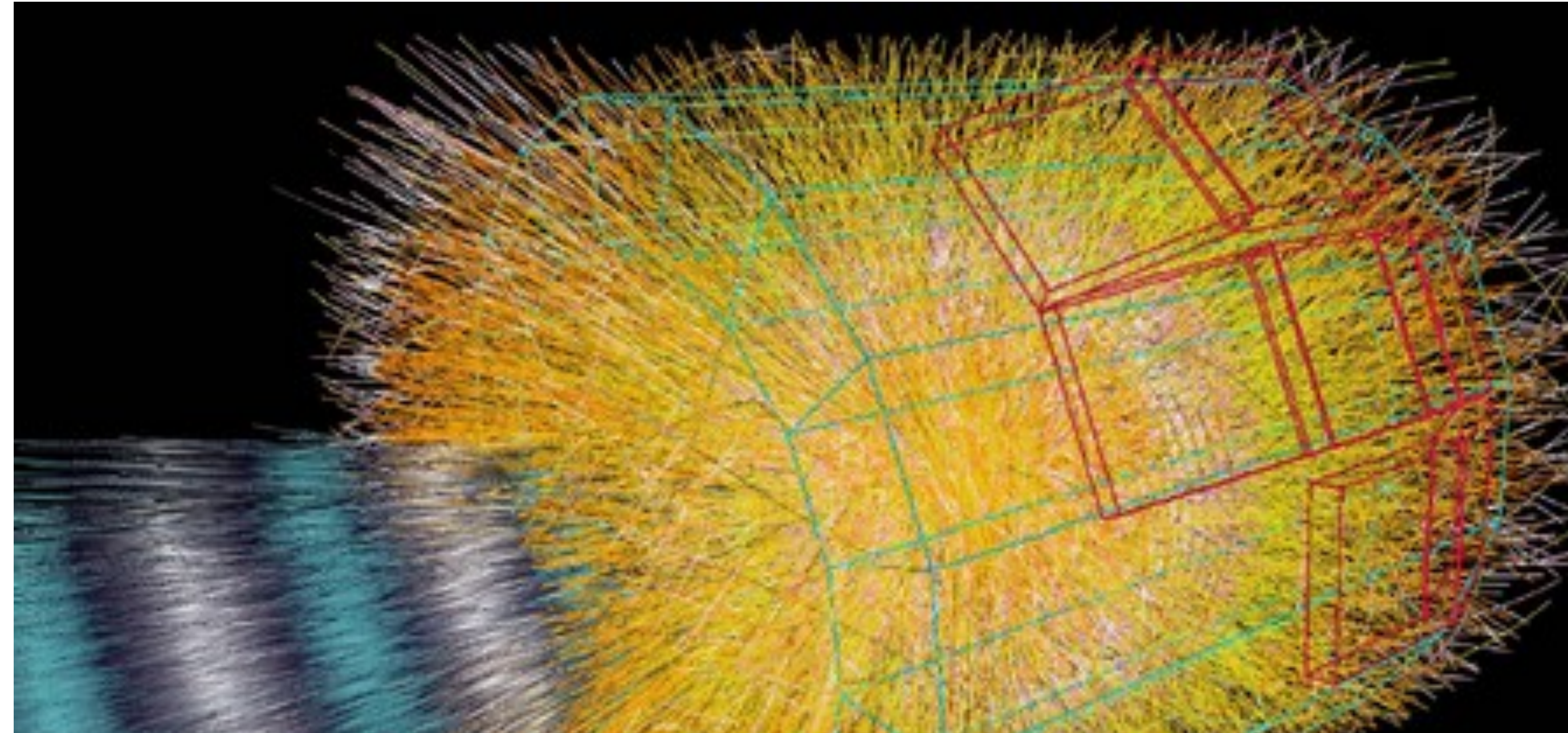
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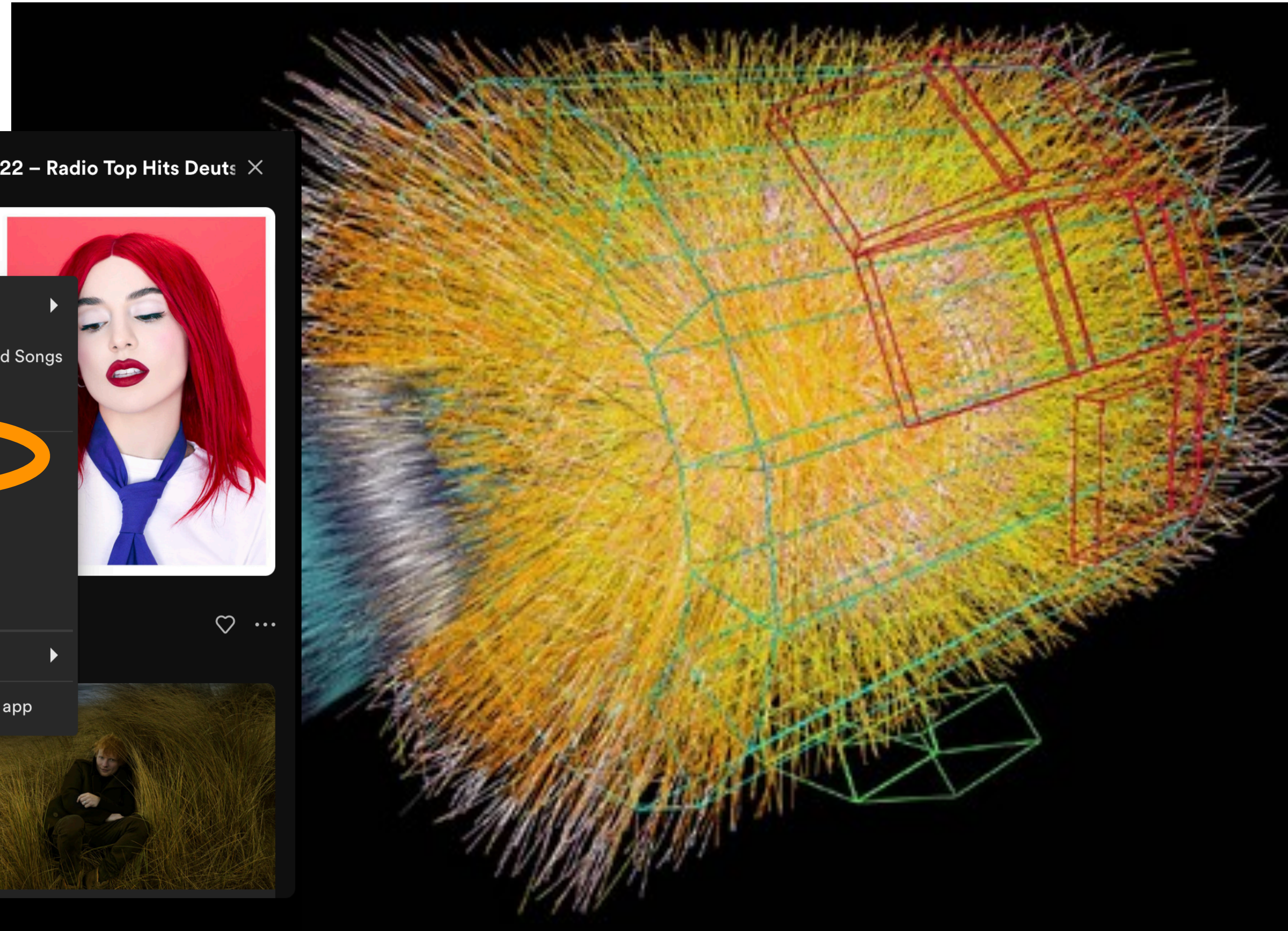
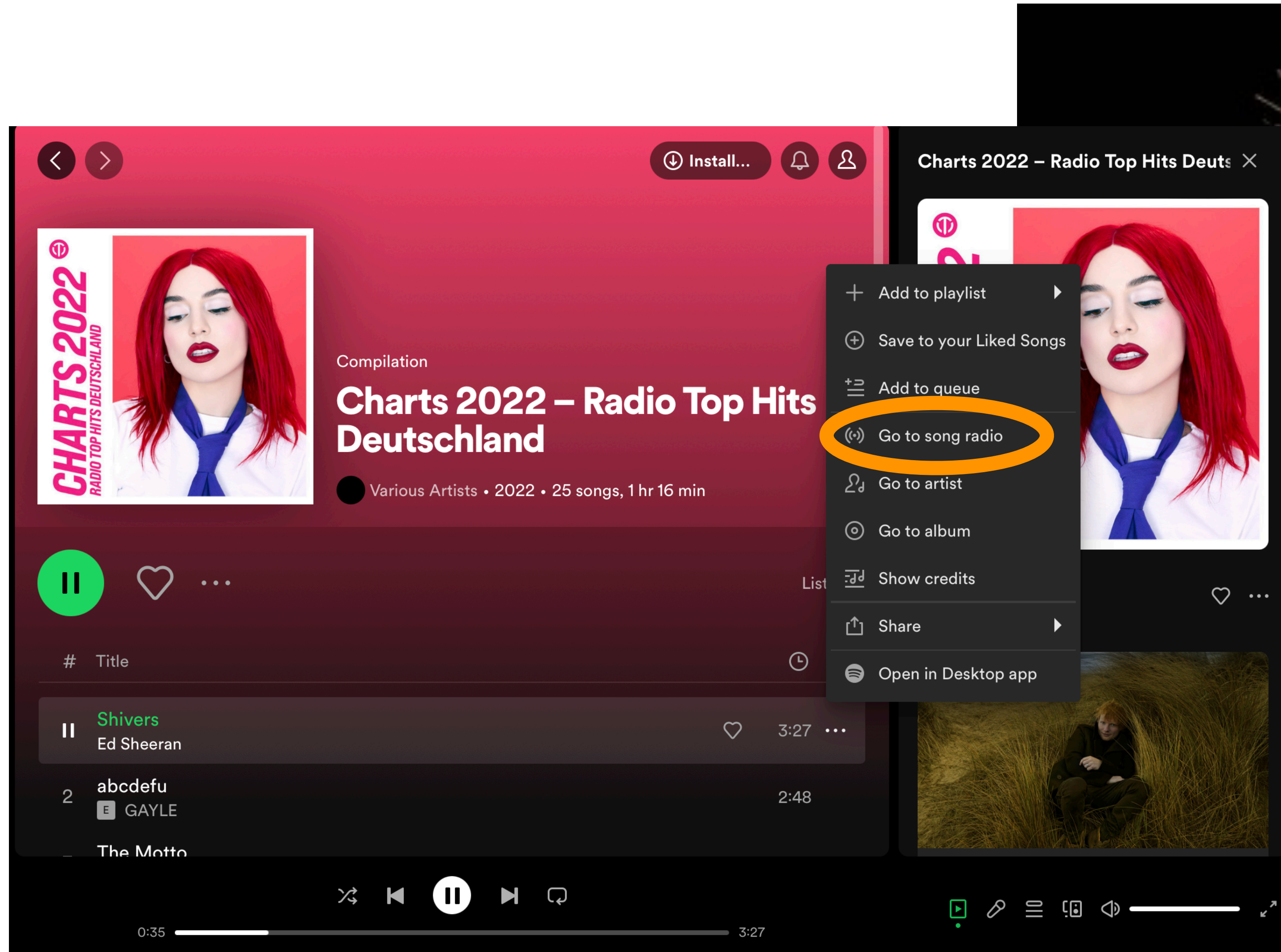
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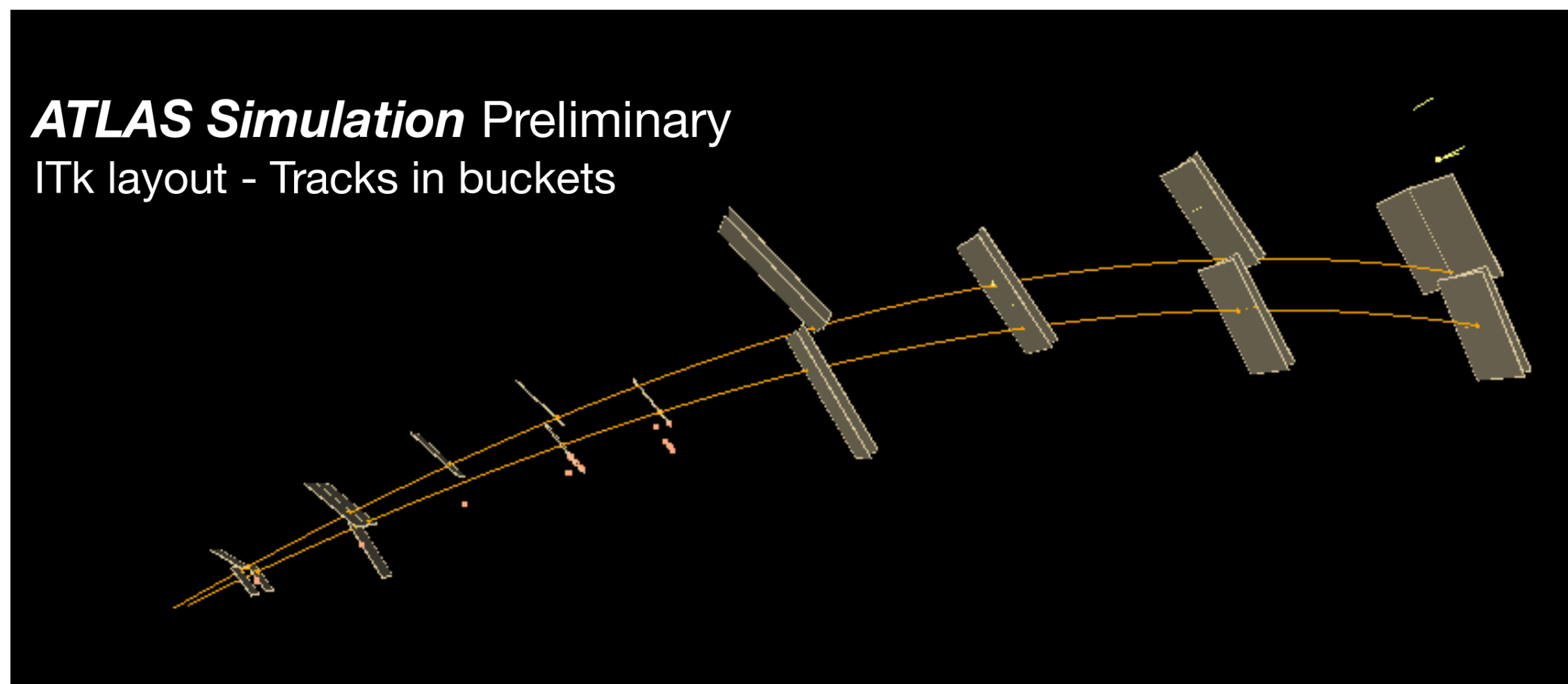
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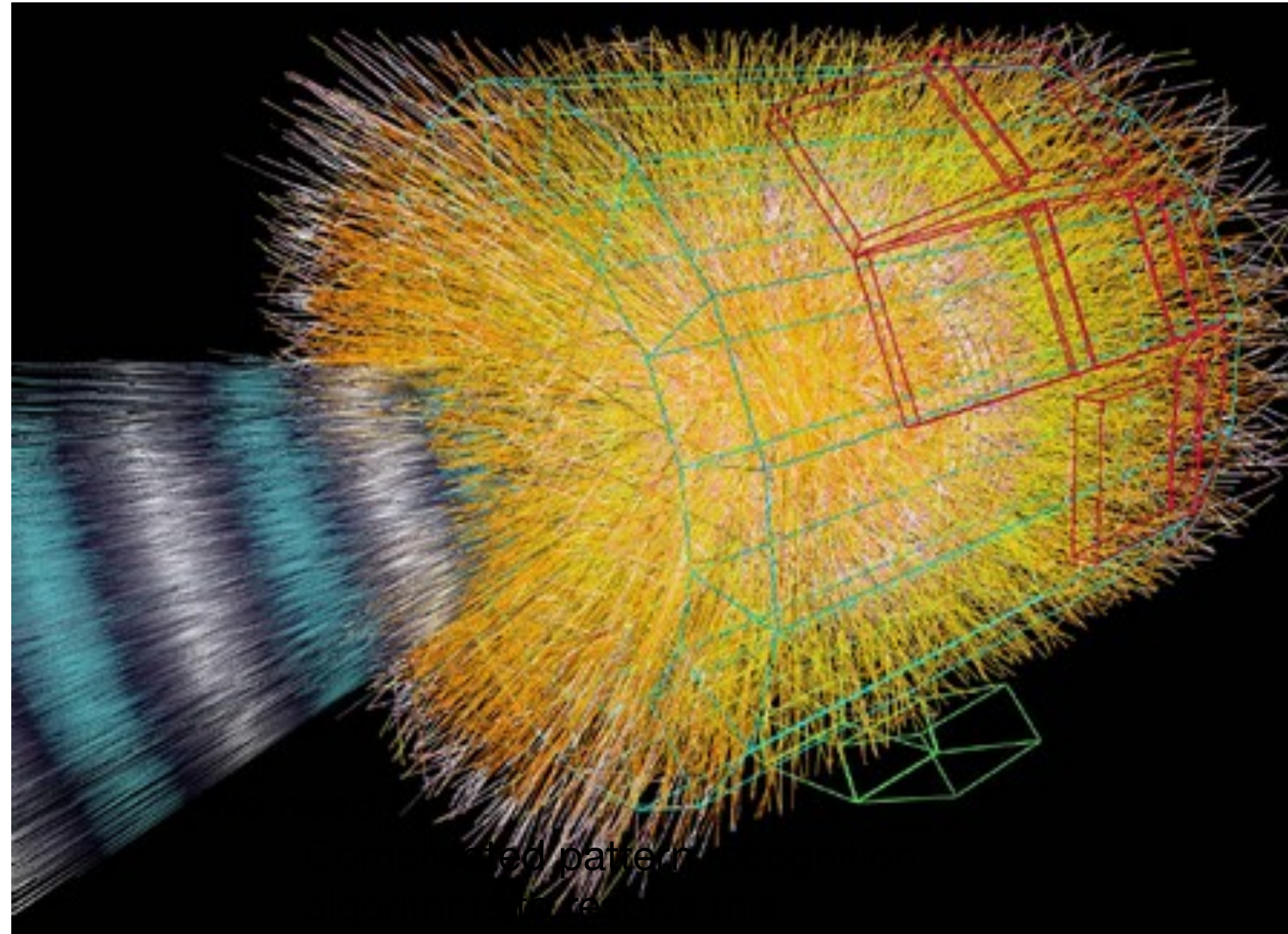
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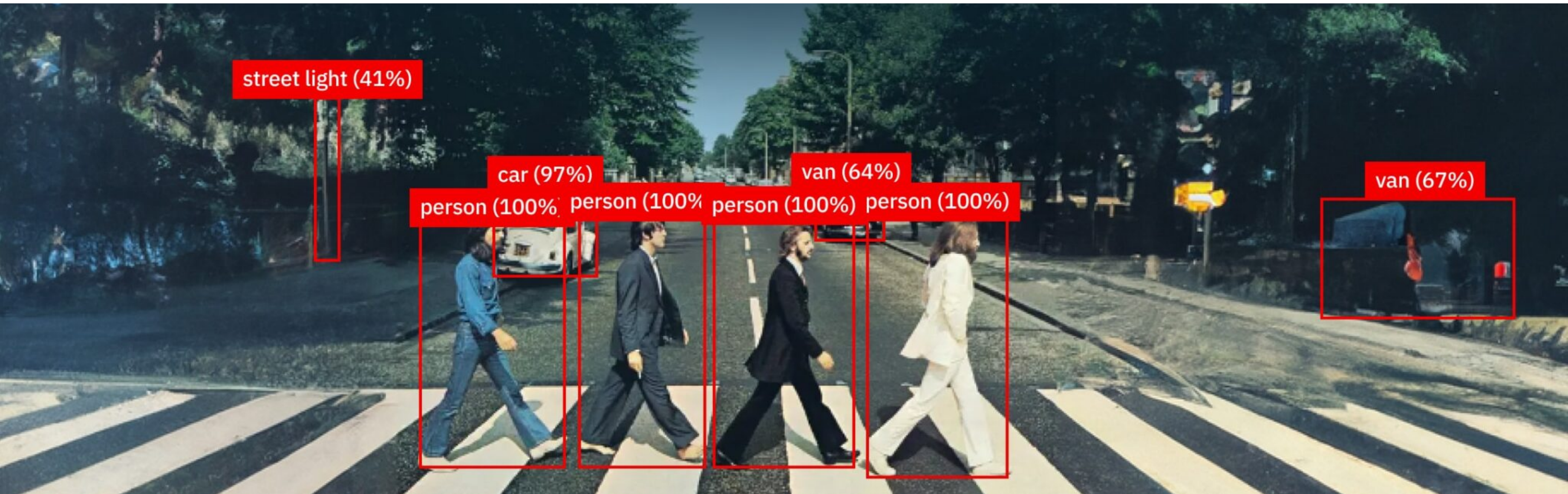
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Object detection and recognition is a AI standard problem

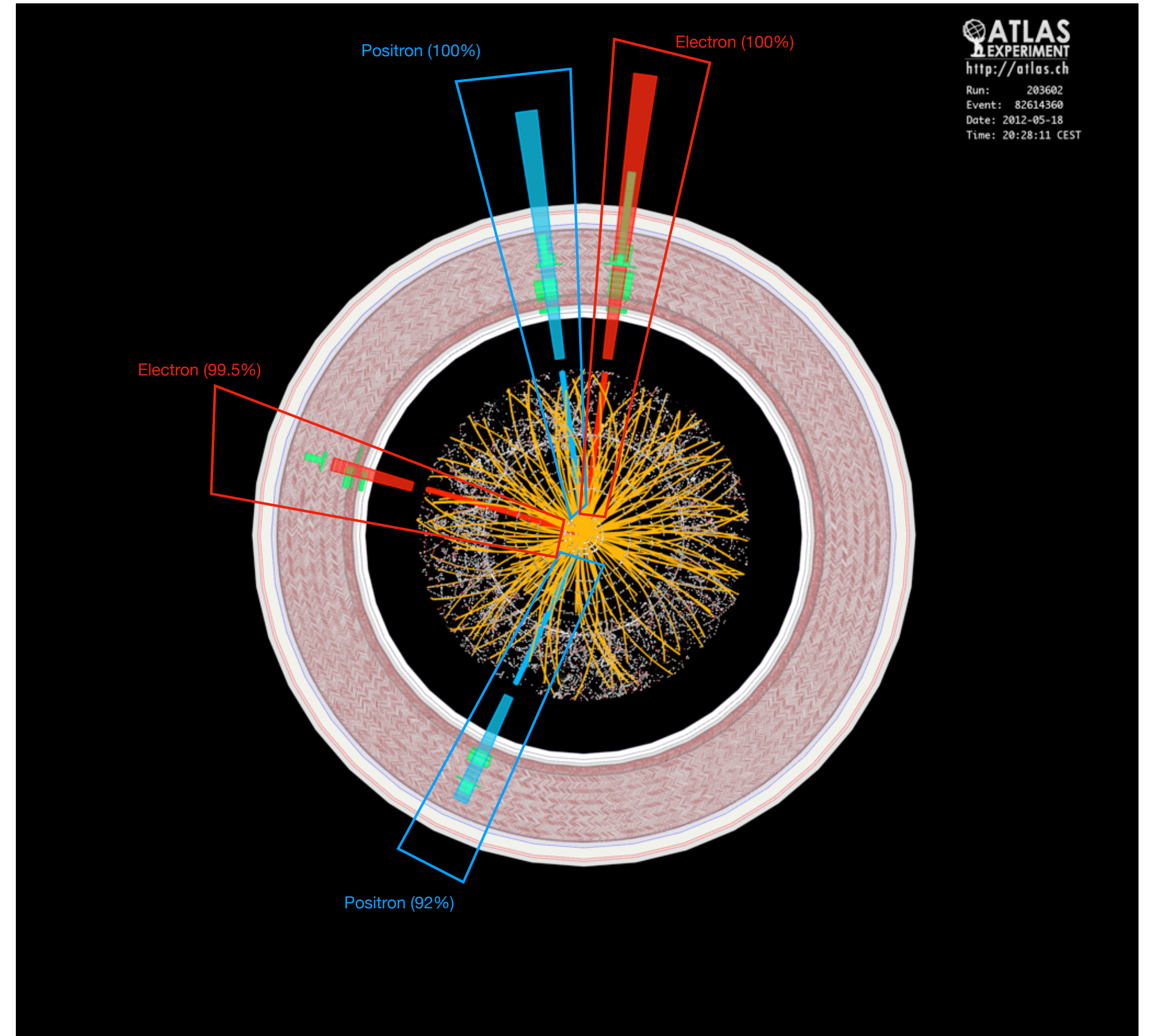
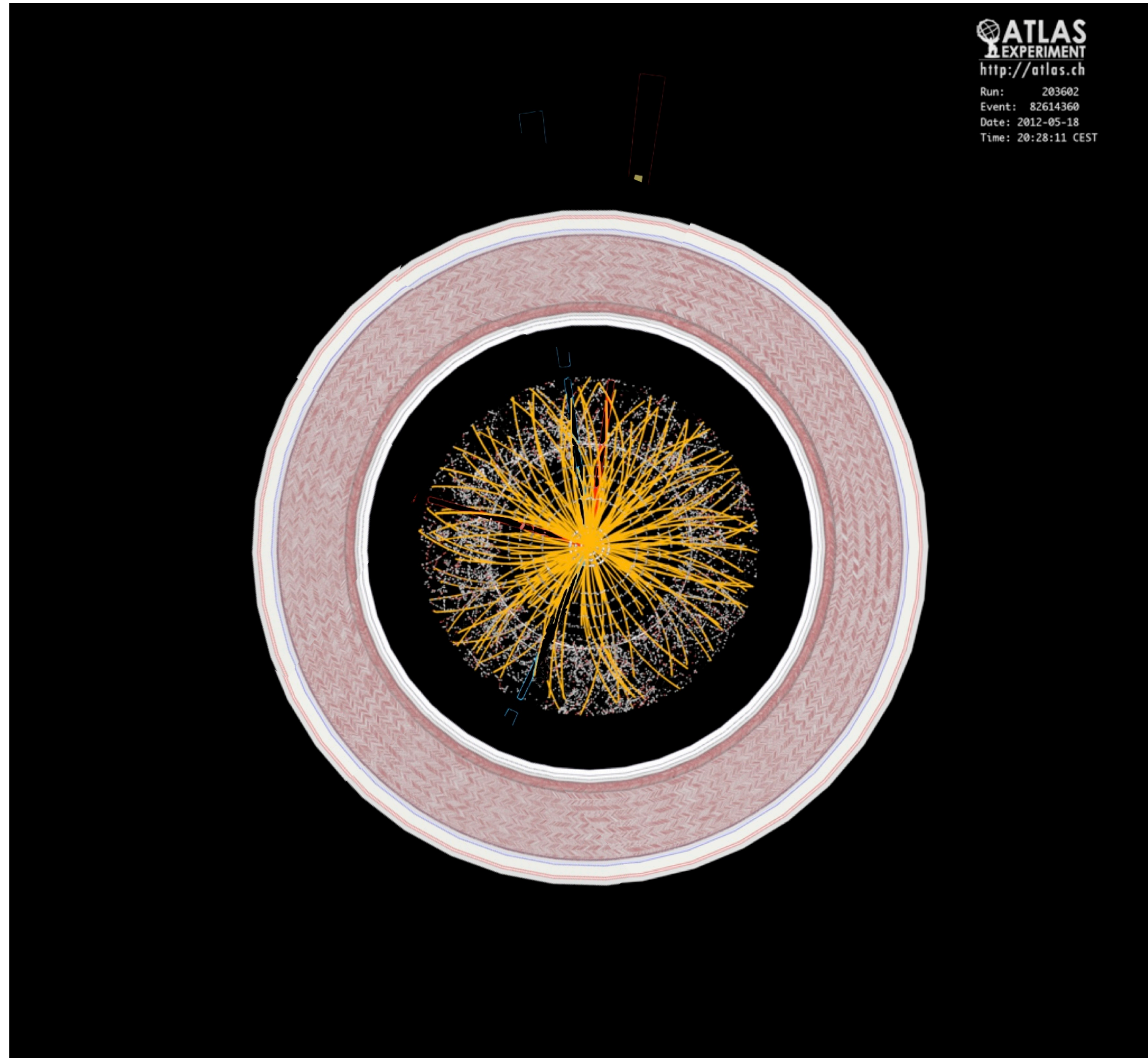
- big advances achieved in the last years
- Both in object detection & object classification
- Can we use this for HEP?



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Generative Models have experienced a tremendous boost in the last years

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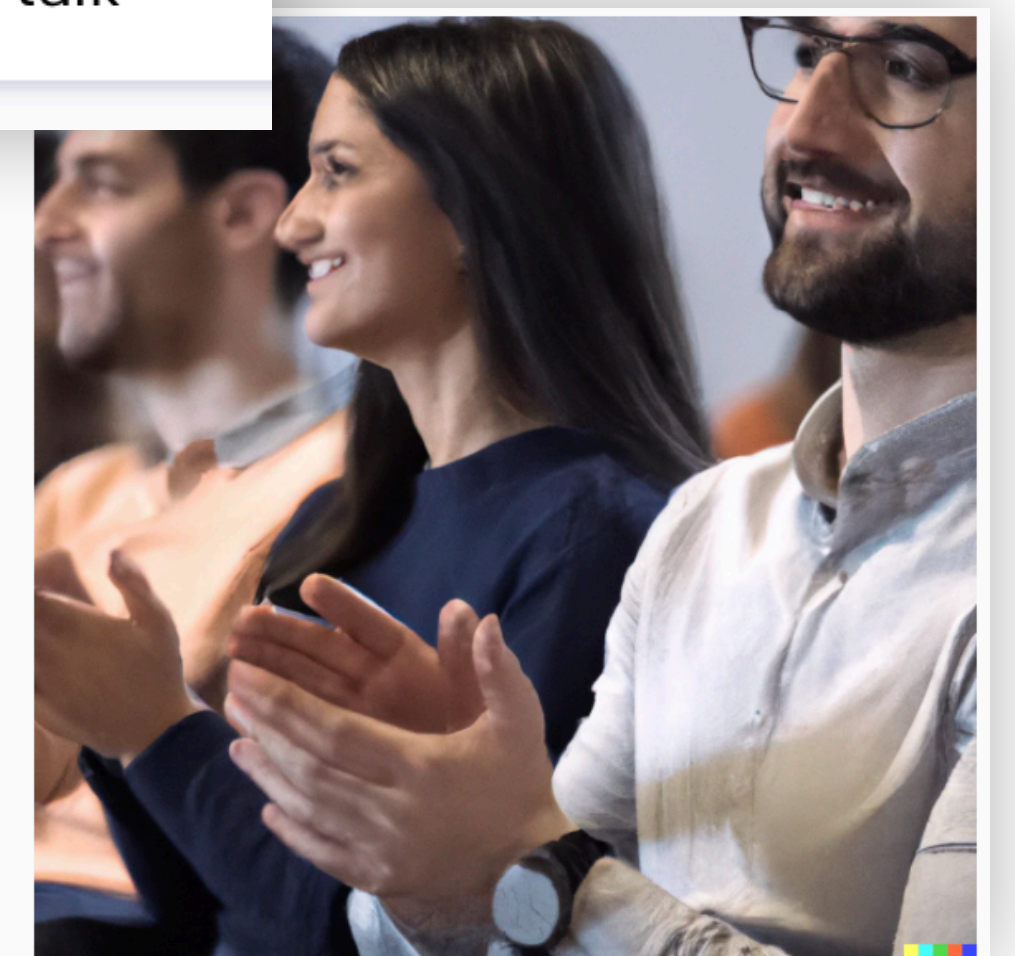


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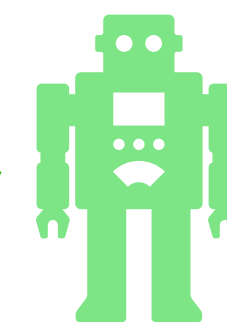
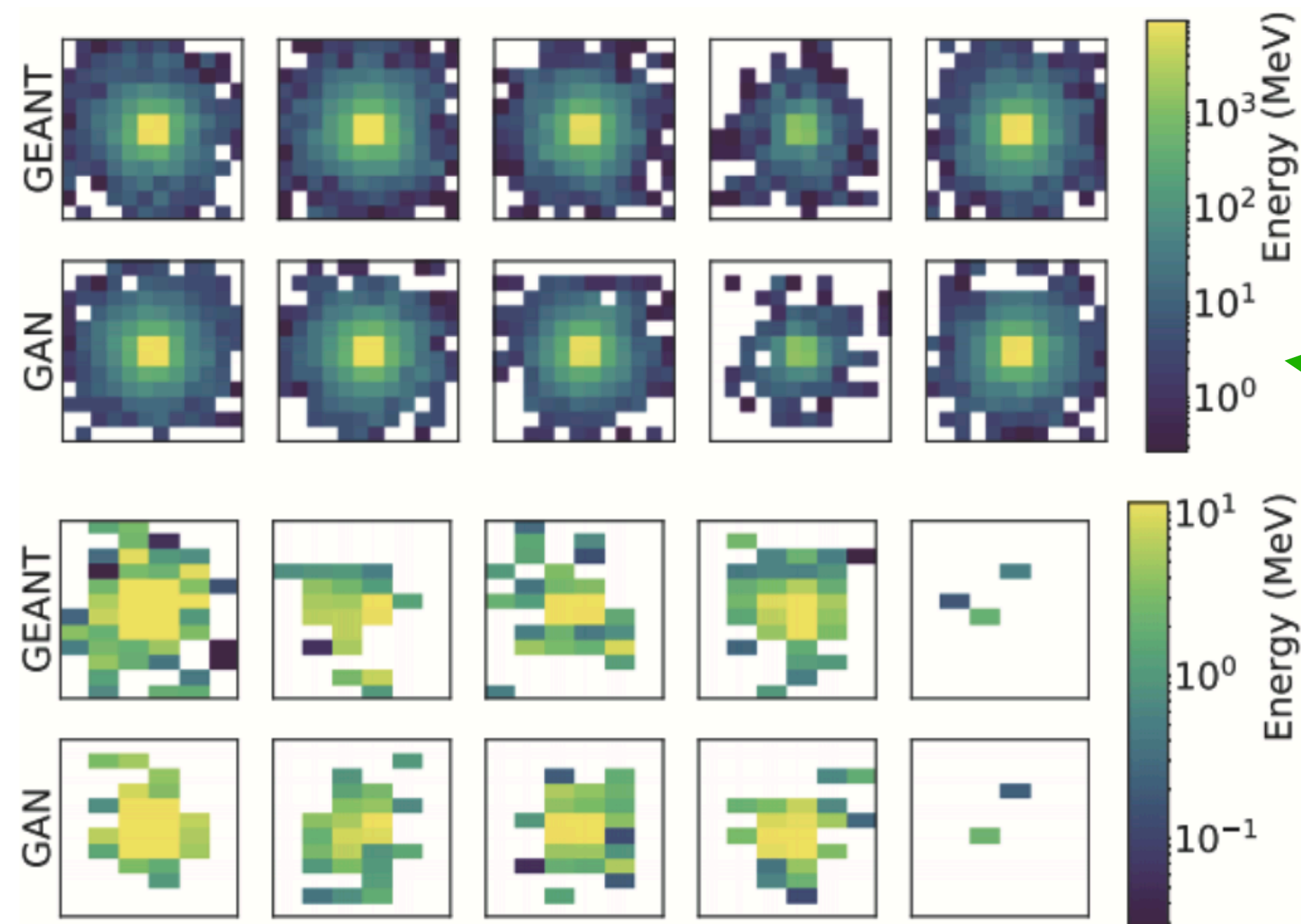
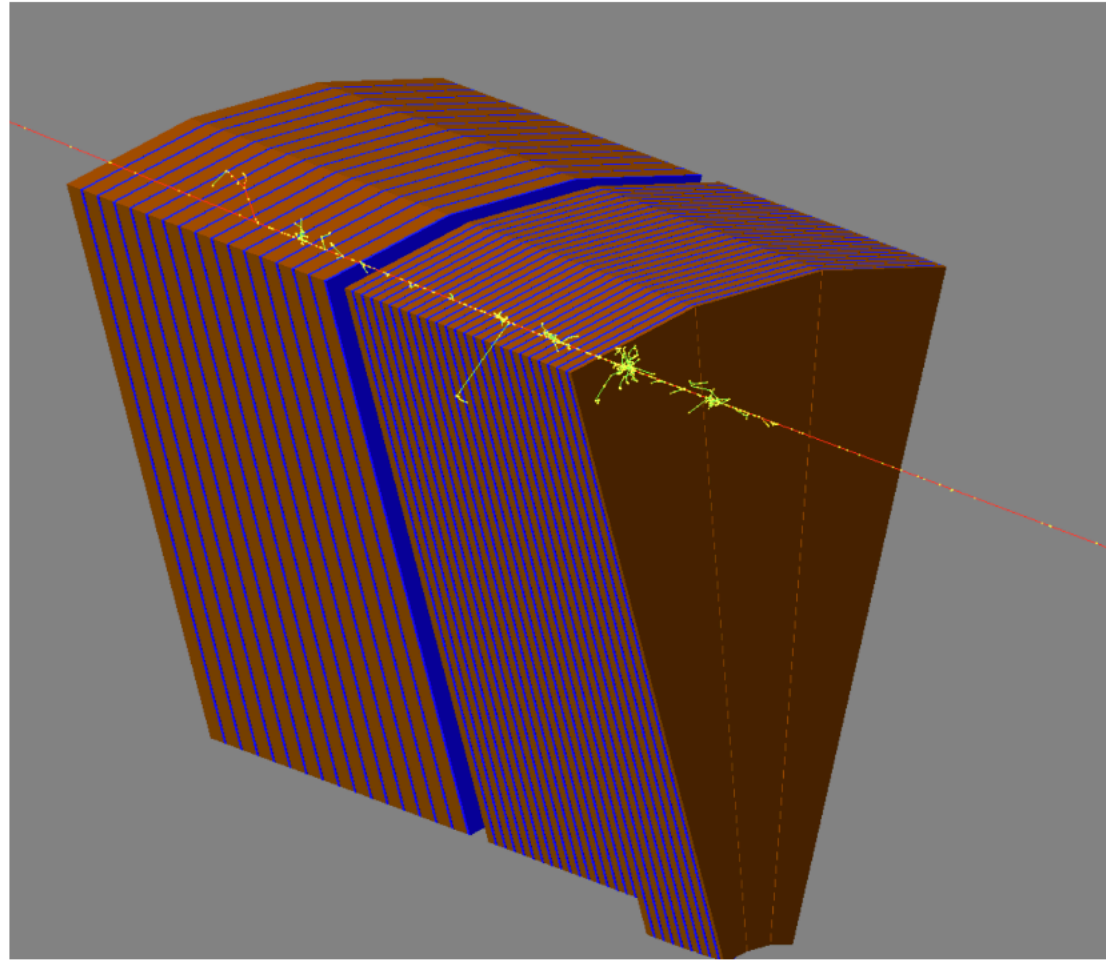
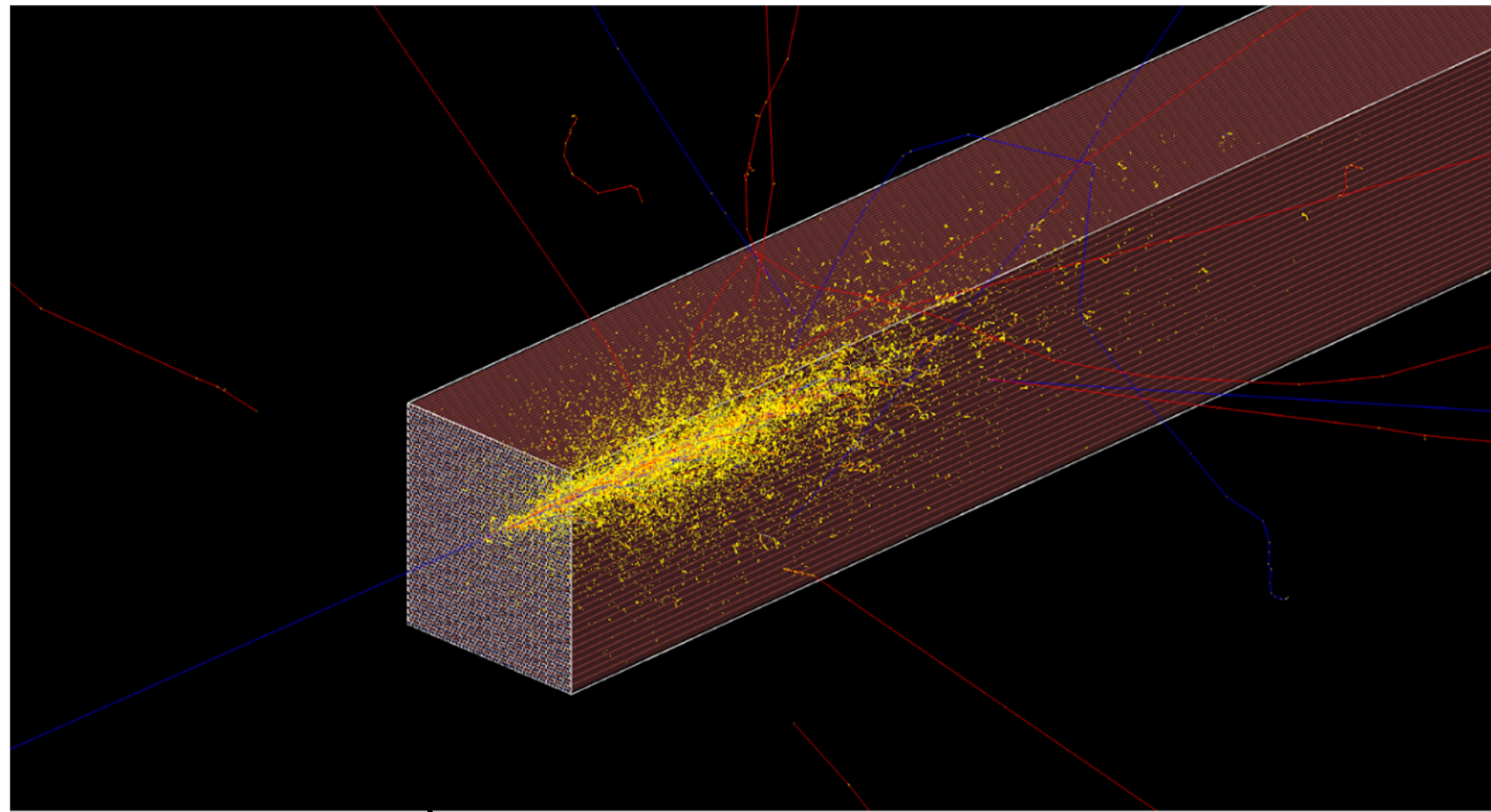
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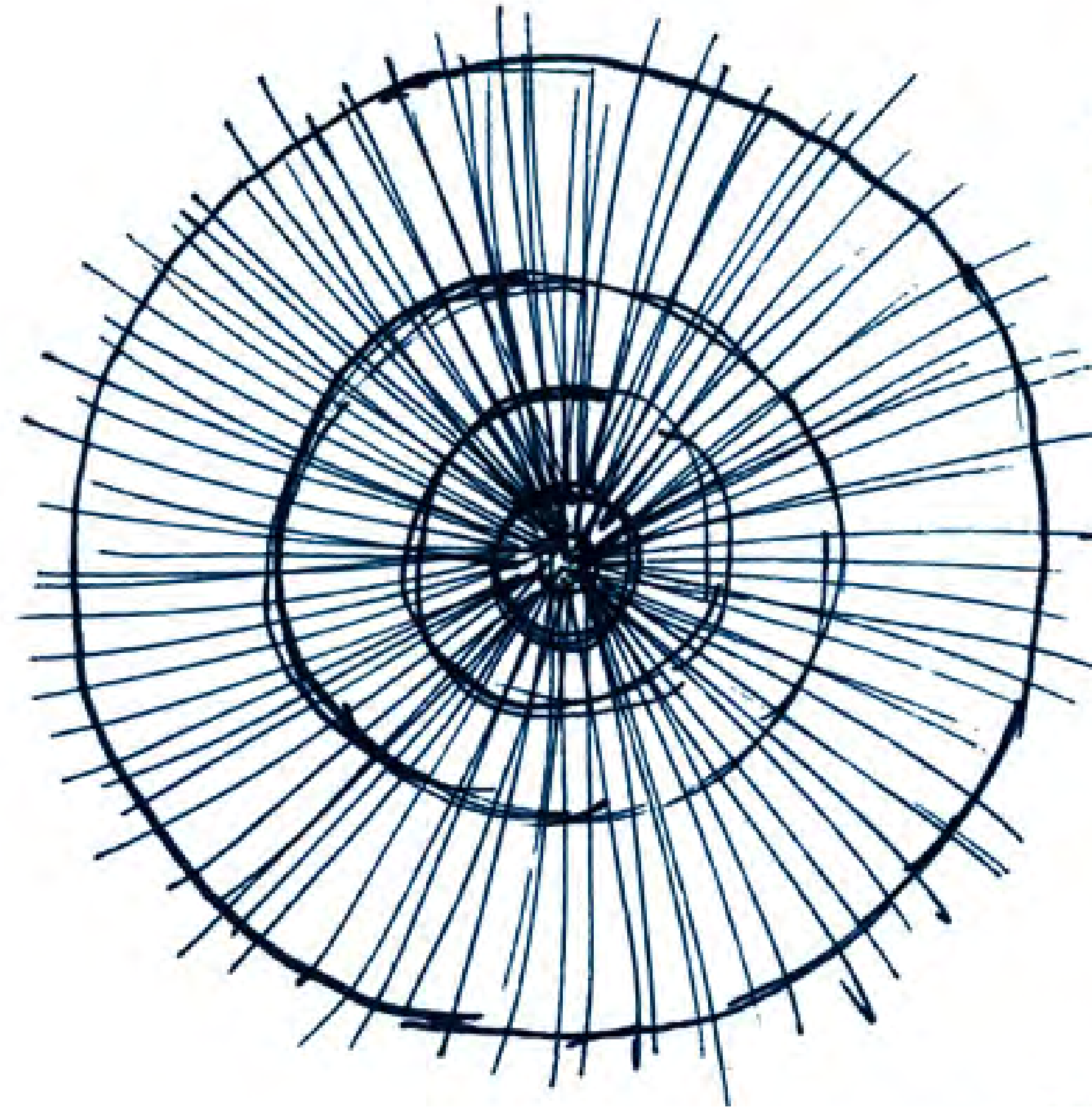
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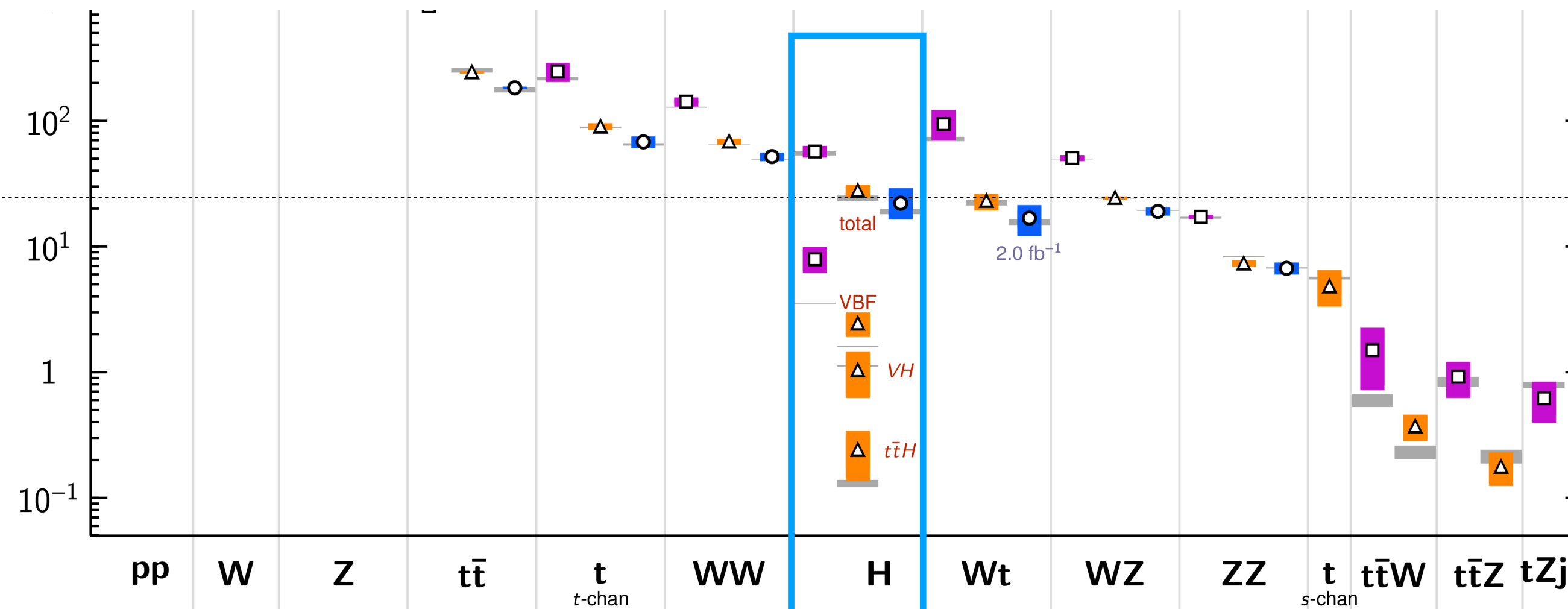


What's next?



The duck question

The exciting regime:
“probability” of
a Higgs boson
production



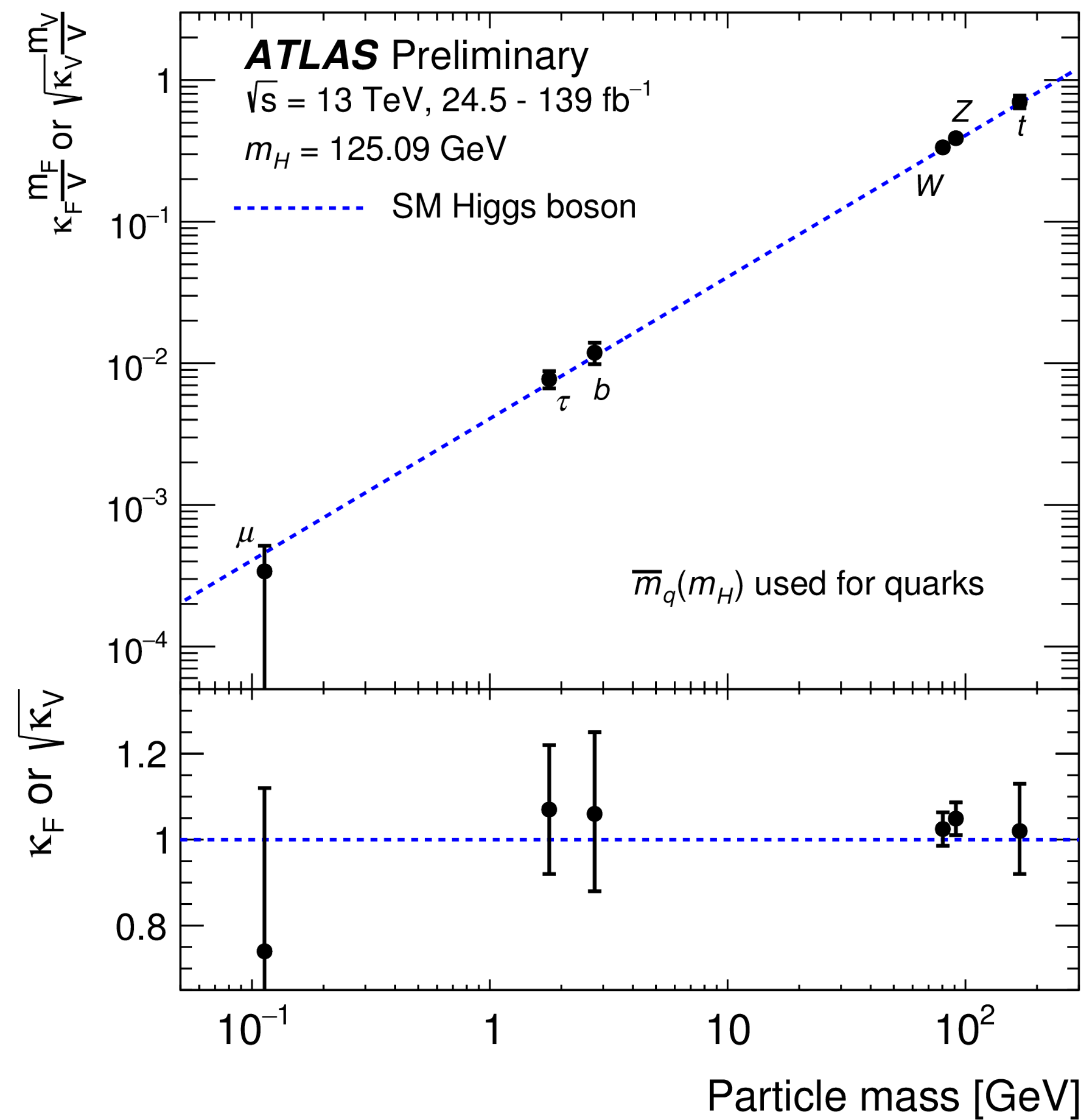
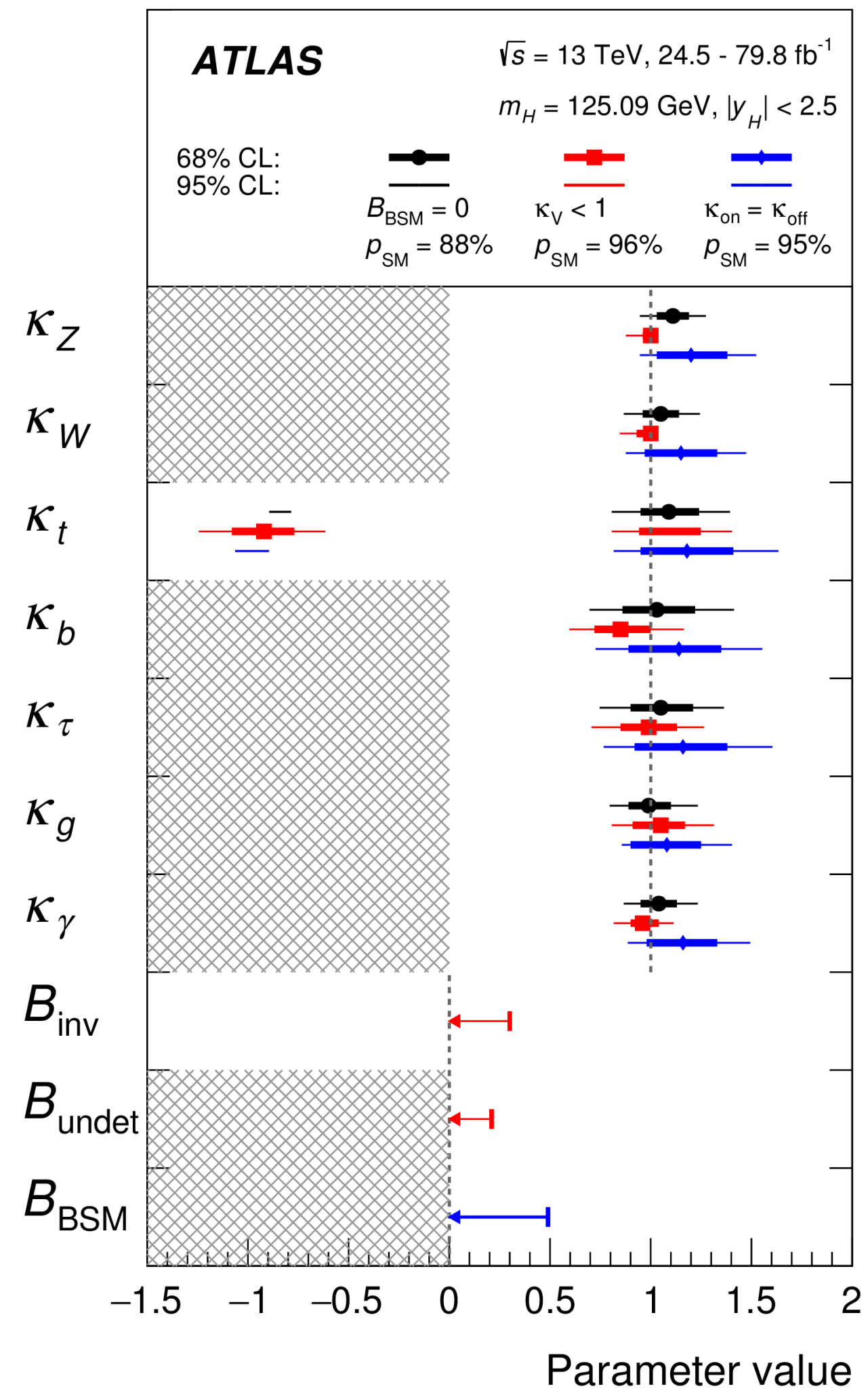
precision measurement
of the Higgs sector

“If it looks like a duck, quacks like a duck, smells like a duck ...”

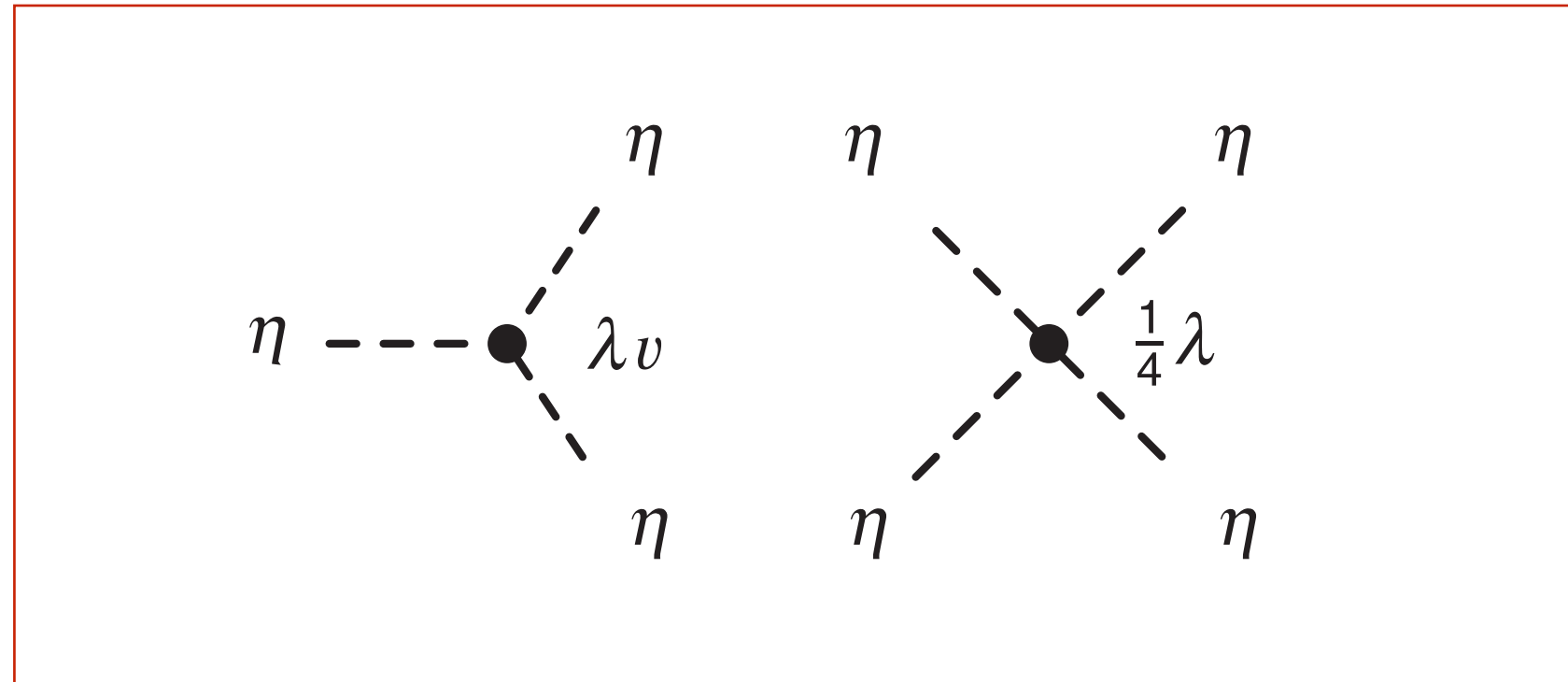


The crazy regime:
super symmetry?
extra dimensions?
magnetic monopoles?

Is it a duck?



What's our* fate?

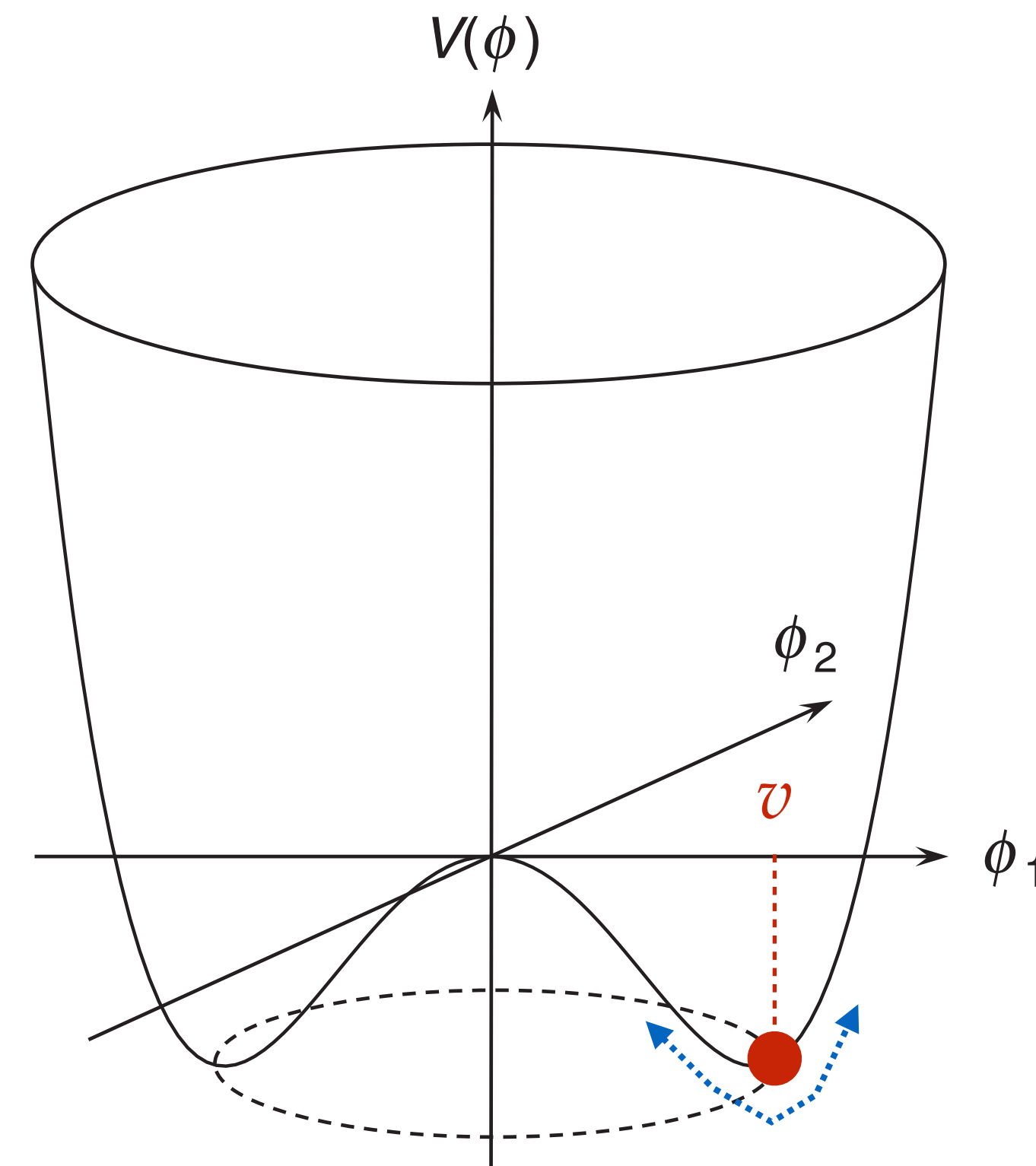


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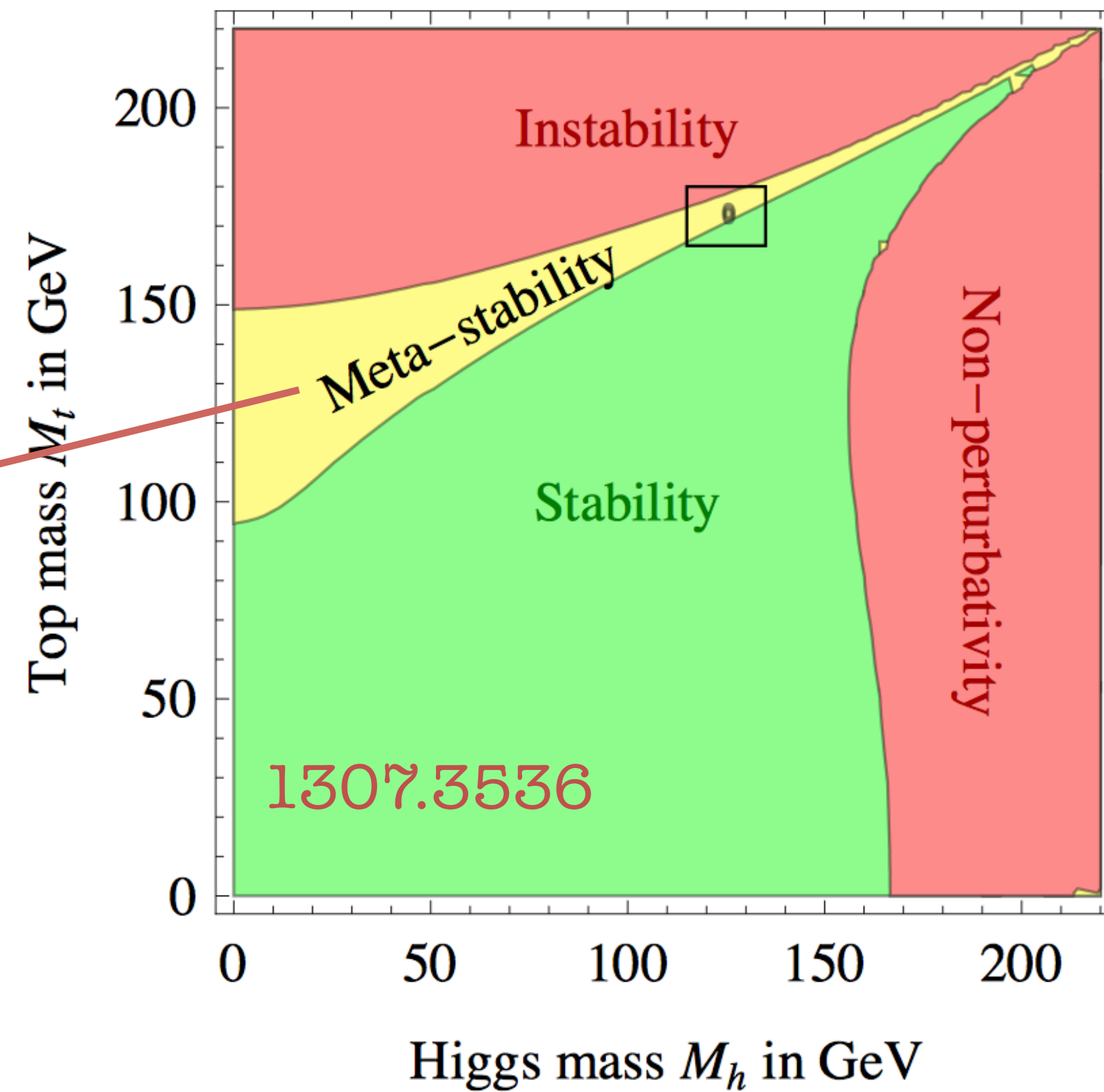
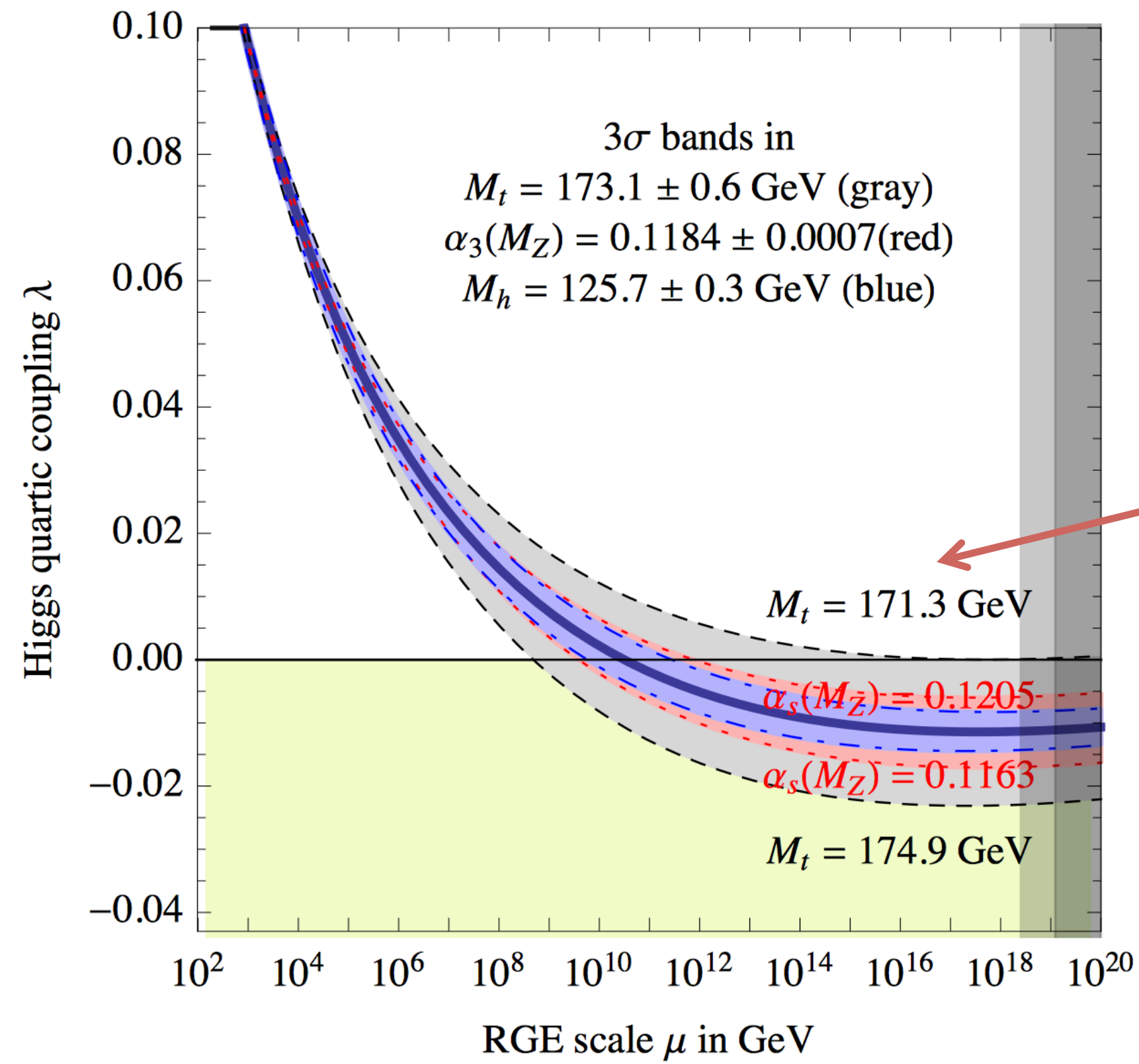
-we have discovered the mechanism

Future Collider:

-let's check the dynamics



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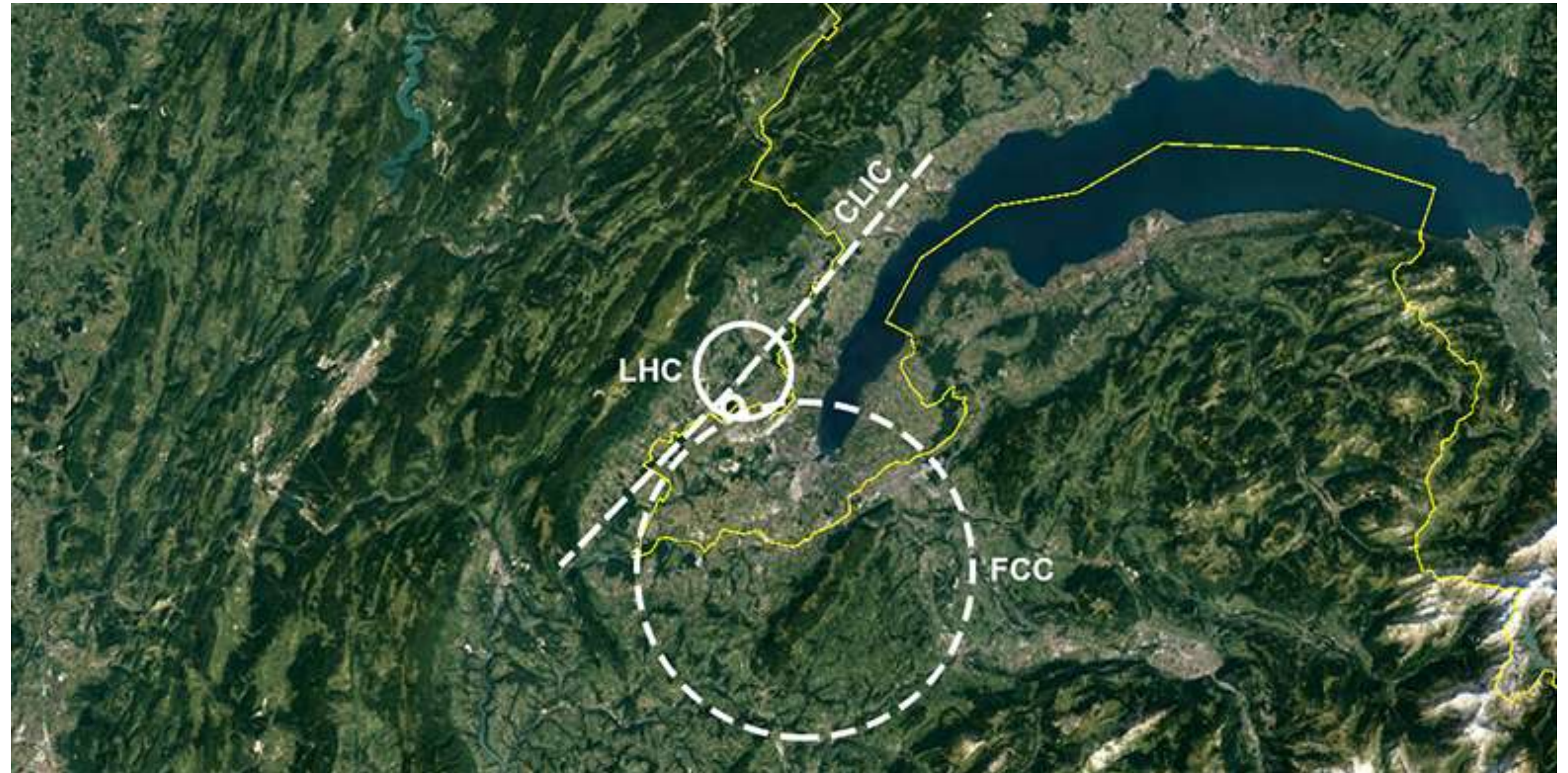


What's next?

The future, obviously.

New accelerator projects under study:

- linear collider as “Higgs factory”
- “Future circular collider (FCC)”



What to take away . . .

To understand the big things,
you sometimes have to look
for the small things.

Be persistent, even if it takes long.
(Higgs published 1964)

When uncertain, try to simulate it.

Even crazy things.

Thanks.

