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Introduction to Particle Detectors

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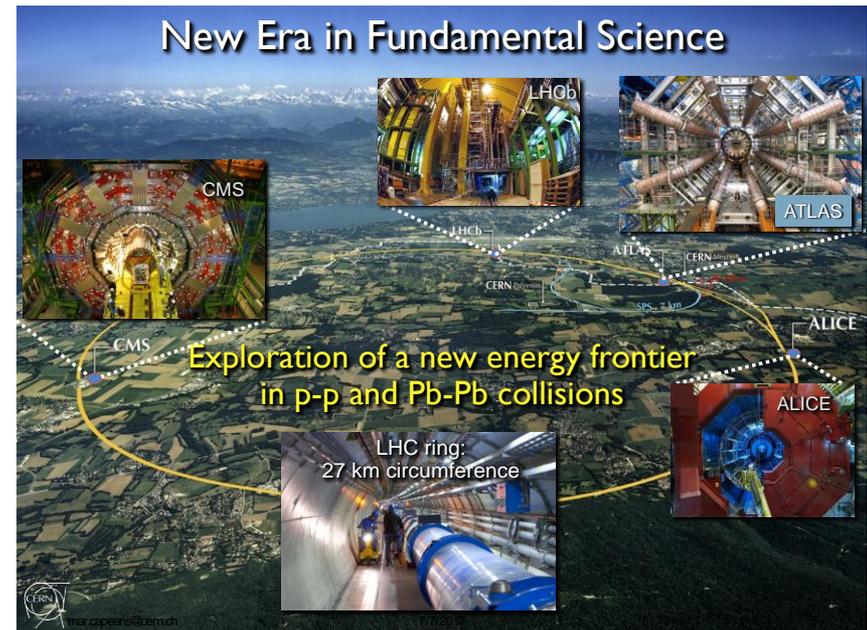
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• Outline •

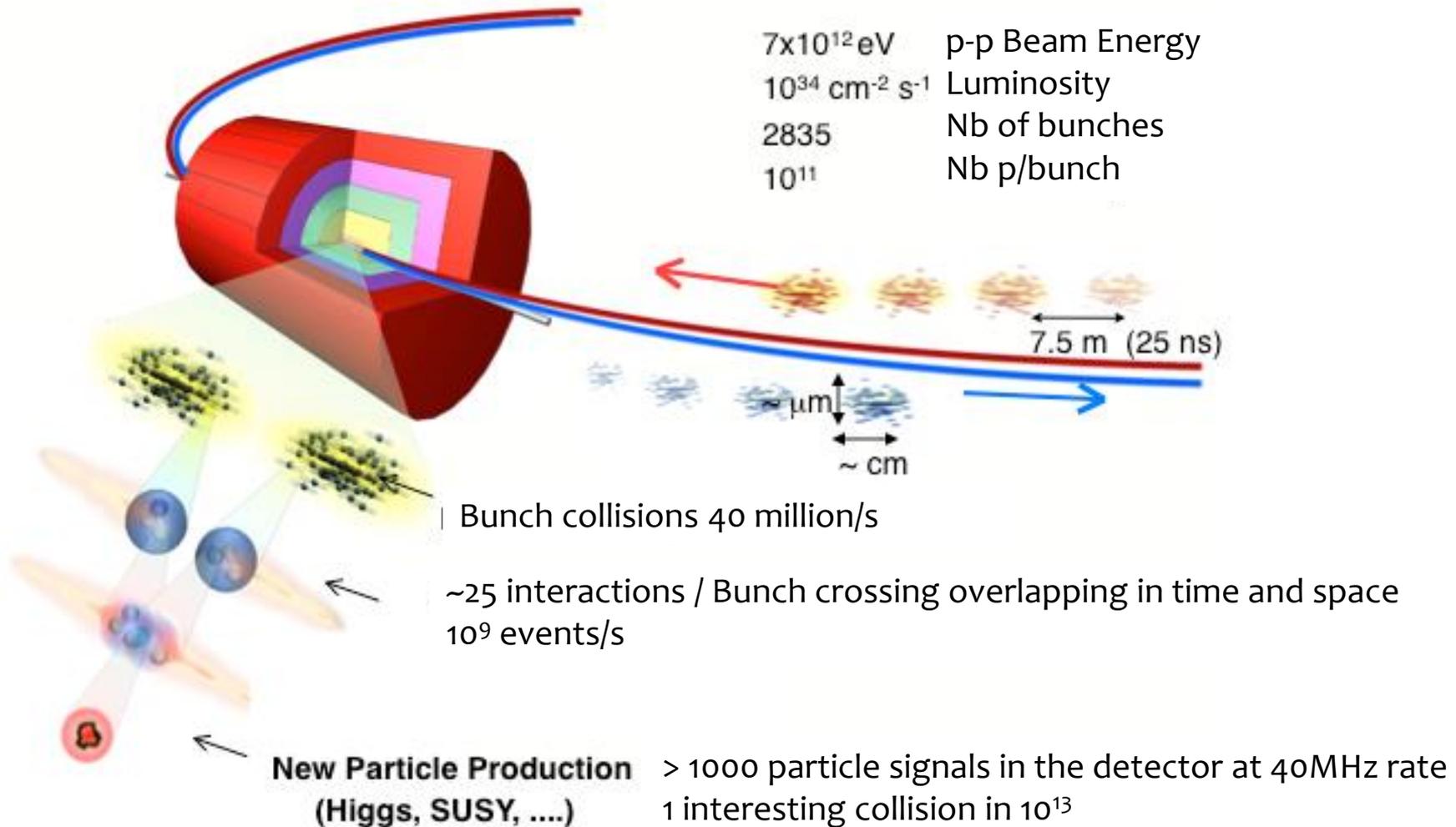
- **Detector Technologies**
- **How detectors are designed and used in HEP experiments, taking into account system aspects**
- **R&D trends, Future detectors**
- For an in-depth, more academic exposure please see:
 - **CERN Summer students lectures** (5 h on detectors):
<https://indico.cern.ch/event/632096/>
 - **Semiconductor Radiation Detectors** - Device Physics, G.Lutz, Springer
 - **Gaseous Radiation Detectors**, F.Sauli, Cambridge University Press, 2014
 - **Calorimetry**, R. Wigmans, Oxford Science Publications, 2000

• Particle Physics Tools •

- **Accelerators**
 - Luminosity, energy...
- **Detectors**
 - Efficiency, granularity, resolution...
- **Trigger/DAQ (Online)**
 - Efficiency, filters, through-put...
- **Data Analysis (Offline)**
 - Large scale computing, physics results...



• LHC Detectors Context •



• Past vs LHC •

Dozens of particles/s

No event selection

'Eye' analysis

VS

10^9 collisions/s

Registering $1/10^{12}$ events

GRID computing

LHC ... Very Difficult Environment

At each bunch crossing ~1000 individual particles to be identified every 25 ns **High density of particles imply high granularity** in the detection system ... **Large quantity of readout services (100 M channels/active components)**

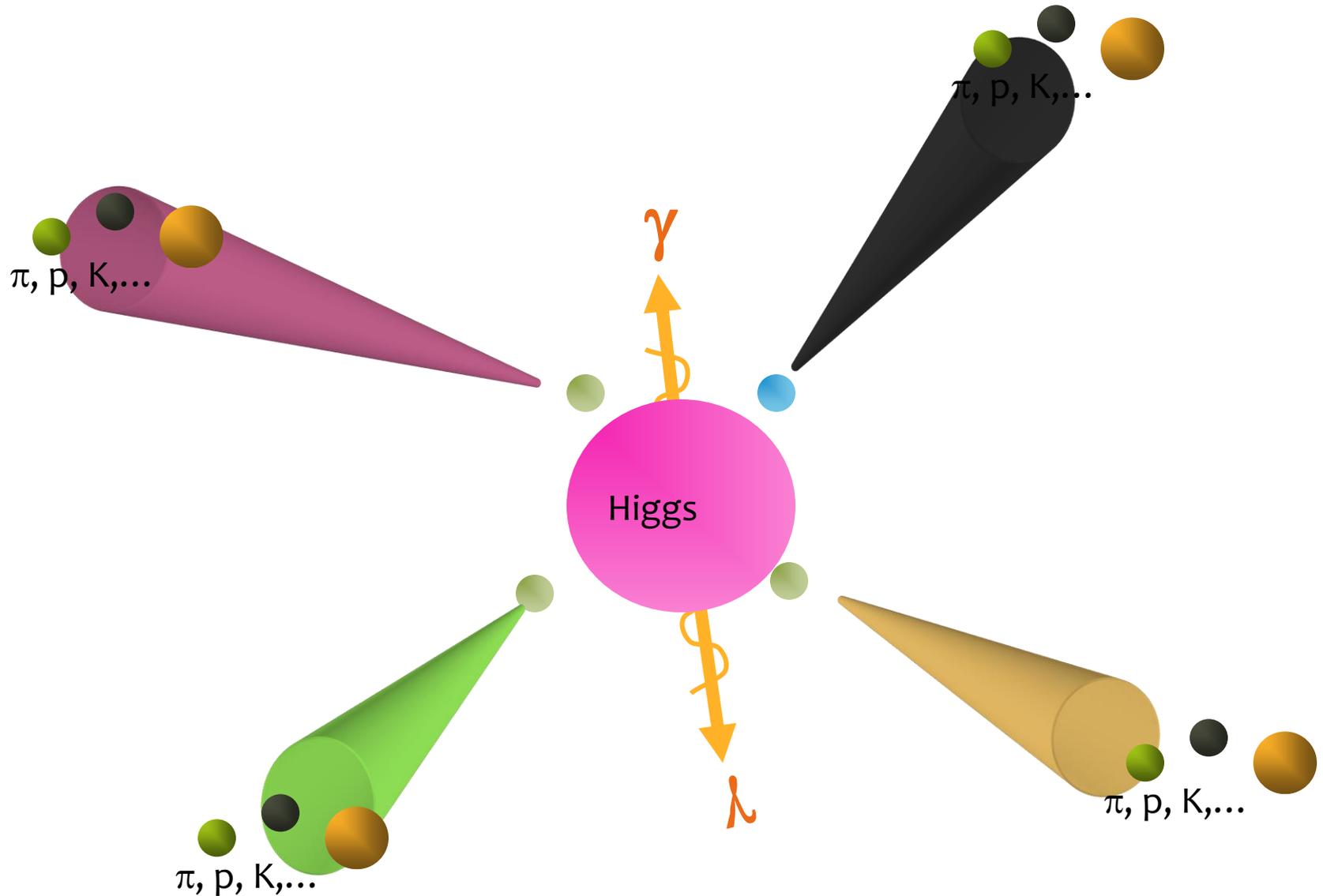
Large neutron fluxes, large photon fluxes capable of compromising the mechanical properties of materials and electronics components. **Induced radioactivity** in high Z materials (activation) which will add complexity to the **maintenance process**

Large **Magnetic Fields** in large volumes, which imply usage of **superconductivity (cryogenics)** and attention to **magnetic components** (electronics components, mechanical stress,)

• Artistic Event •



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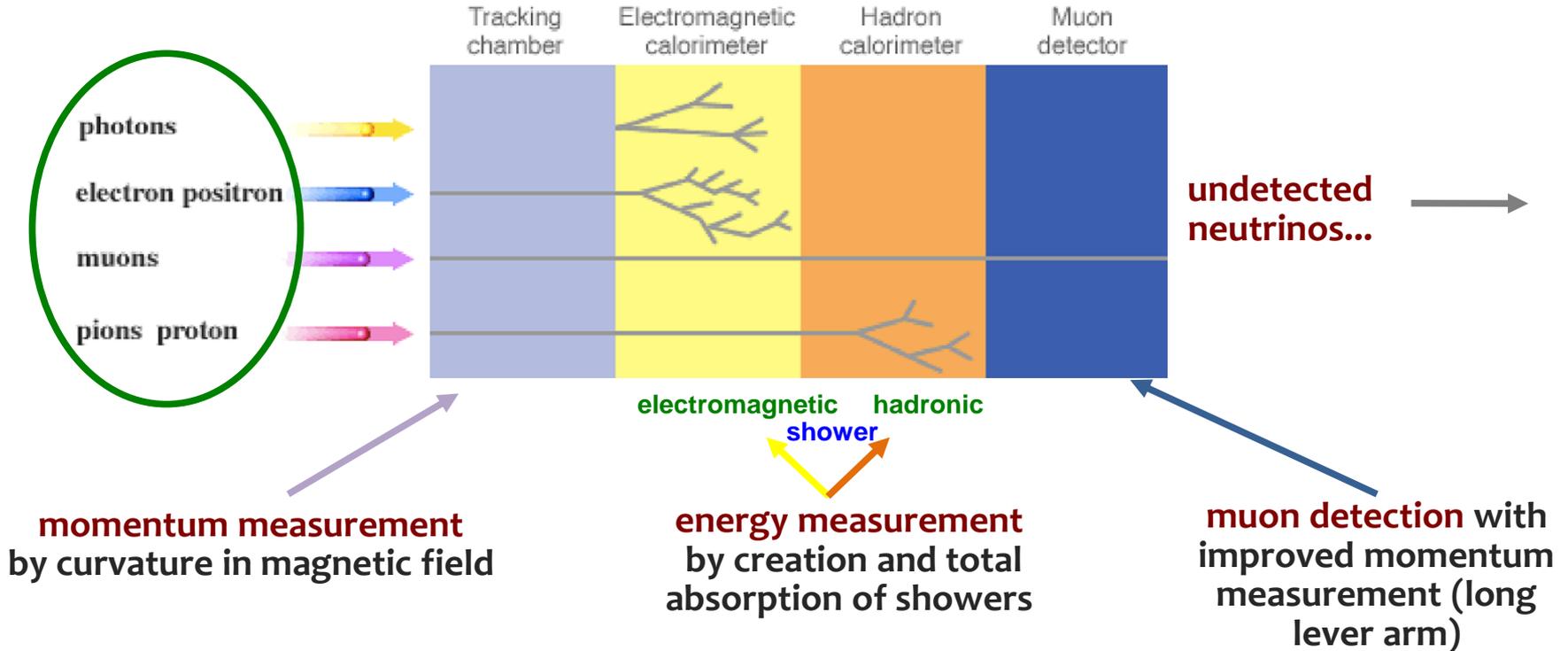
● Particle Detection ●

- Usually we can not ‘see’ the reaction itself, but only the end products of the reaction
- In order to reconstruct the reaction mechanism and the properties of the involved particles, we want the maximum information about the end products
- **The ideal particle detector should provide...**
 - Coverage of full solid angle (no cracks, fine segmentation)
 - Measurement of momentum and/or energy
 - Detect, track and identify all particles (mass, charge)
 - Fast response, no dead time

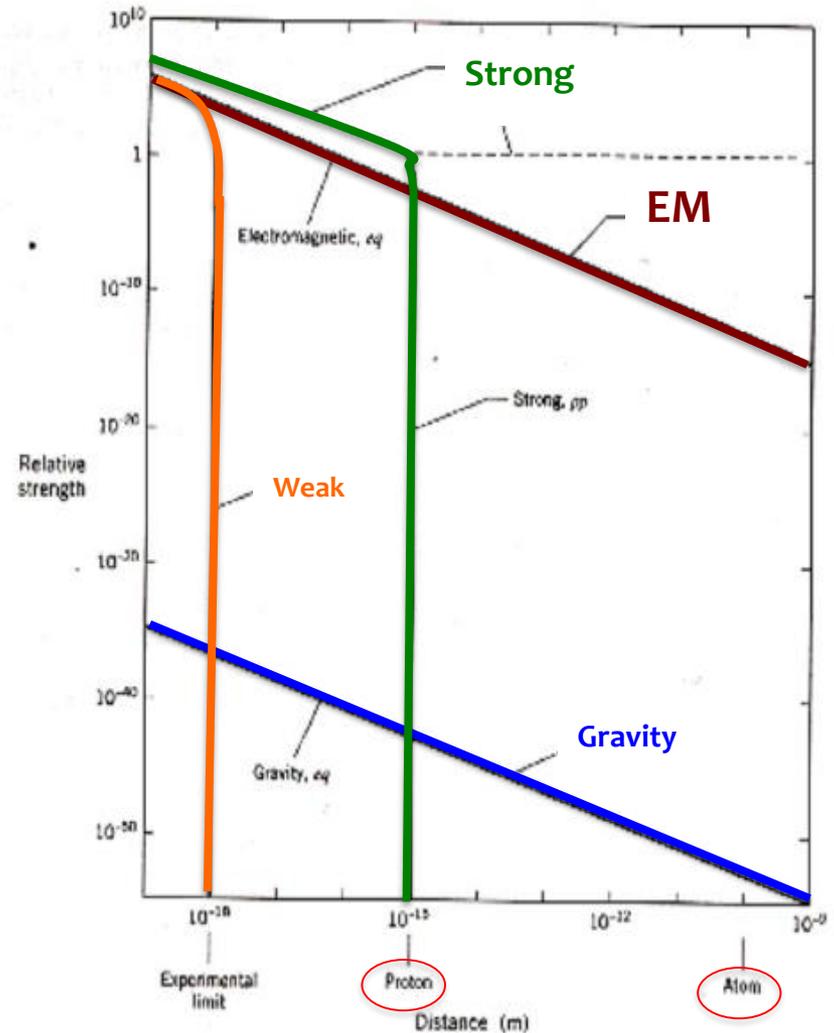
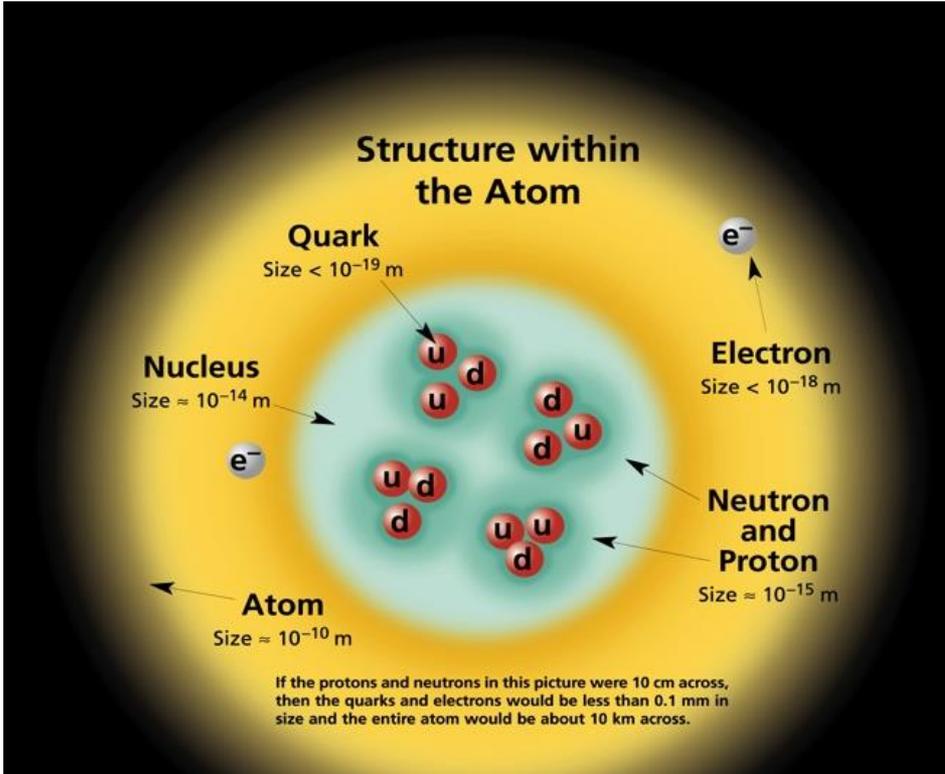
 - Practical limitations: technology, space, budget

• Interactions in the Detector •

Low density → High density
High precision → Low precision
High granularity → Low granularity



• Interactions •



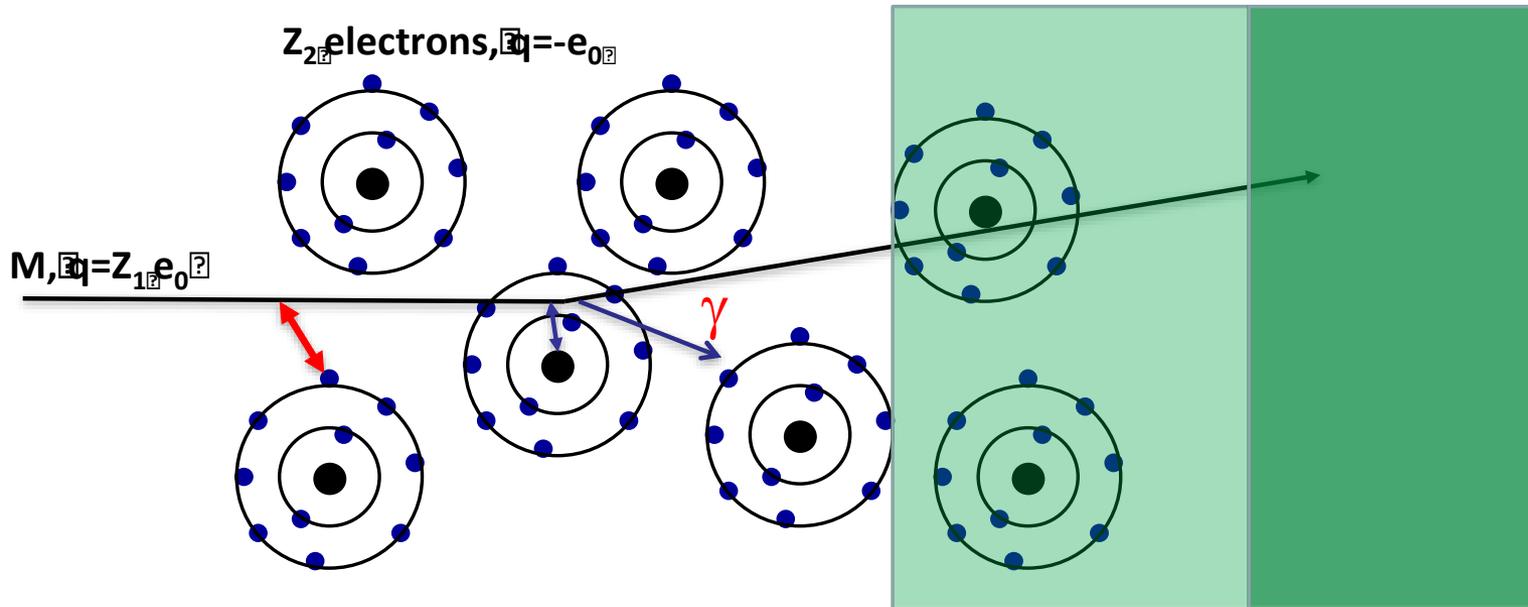
PROPERTIES OF THE INTERACTIONS

Property	Interaction					
	Gravitational	Weak (Electroweak)		Electromagnetic	Strong	
Acts on:	Mass - Energy	Flavor		Electric Charge	Color Charge	See Residual Strong Interaction Note
Particles experiencing:	All	Quarks, Leptons		Electrically charged	Quarks, Gluons	Hadrons
Particles mediating:	Graviton (not yet observed)	$W^+ W^- Z^0$		γ	Gluons	Mesons
Strength relative to electromag for two u quarks at:	10^{-41}	0.8		1	25	Not applicable to quarks
	10^{-41}	10^{-4}		1	60	
	10^{-36}	10^{-7}		1	Not applicable to hadrons	20

• EM Interaction of Particles •

Slide: W.Riegler, CERN

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Interaction with the atomic electrons. The incoming particle loses energy and the atoms are excited or ionized.

Interaction with the atomic nucleus. The particle is deflected (scattered) causing multiple scattering of the particle in the material. During this scattering a Bremsstrahlung photon can be emitted.

In case the particle's velocity is larger than the velocity of light in the medium, the resulting EM shockwave manifests itself as Cherenkov Radiation. When the particle crosses the boundary between two media, there is a probability of the order of 1% to produced and X ray photon, called Transition radiation.

• Heavy Charged Particles •

Bethe-Bloch formula gives the mean rate of energy loss (stopping power) for a heavy charged particle ($m_0 \gg m_e$), e.g. proton, k, π , μ

$$\left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle = -4\pi N_A r_e^2 m_e c^2 z^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \gamma^2 \beta^2}{I^2} T^{\max} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta}{2} \right]$$

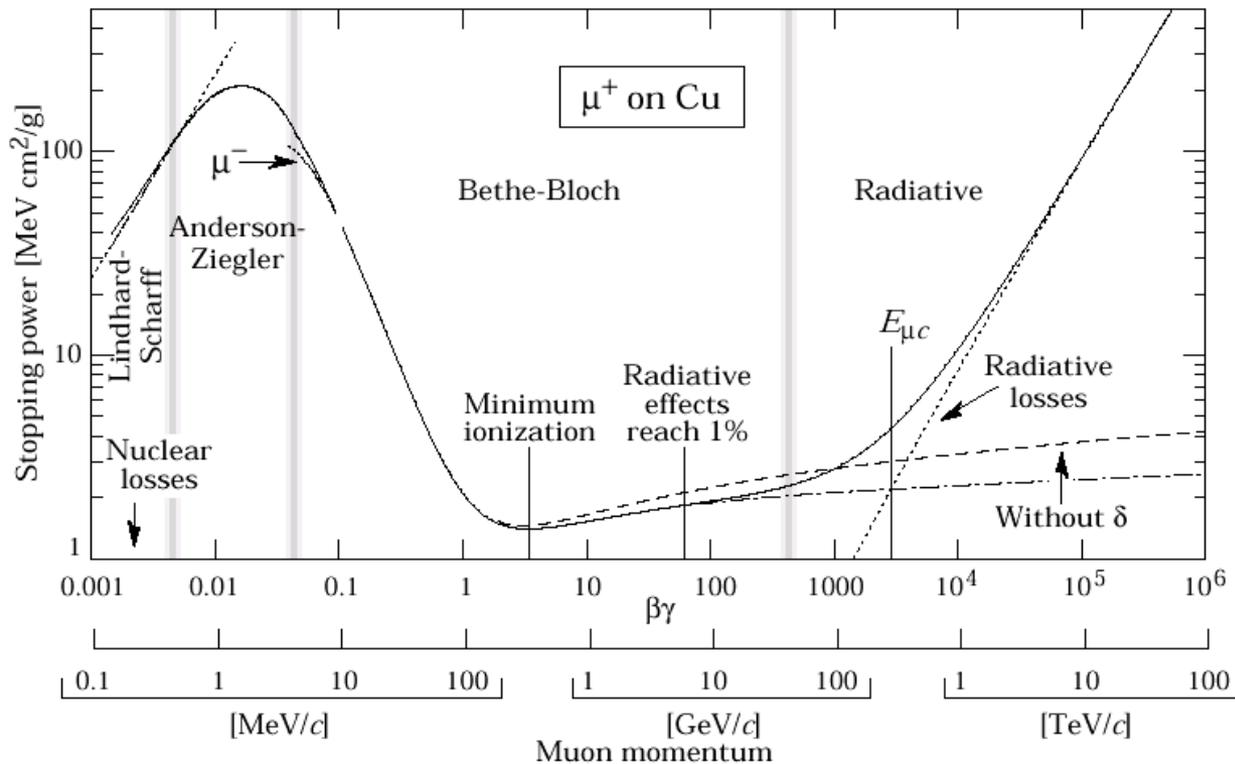
N: Avogadro's Nb

m_e : e- mass

Z, A: medium Atomic, Mass

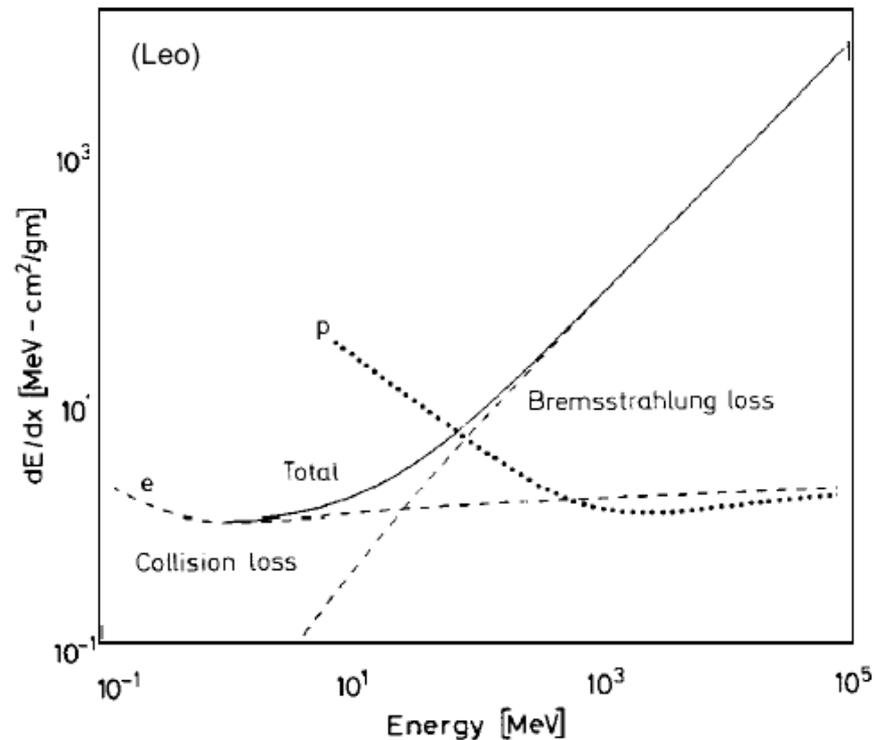
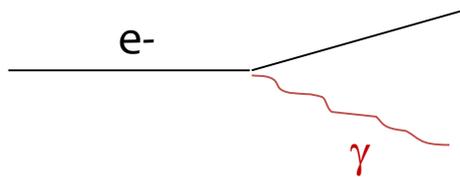
I: effective ionization potenti

B: projectile velocity



• Electrons and Positrons •

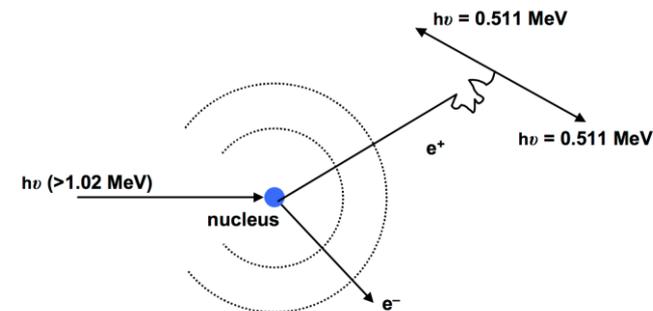
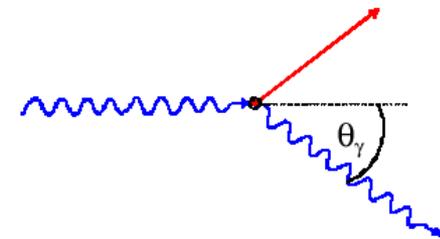
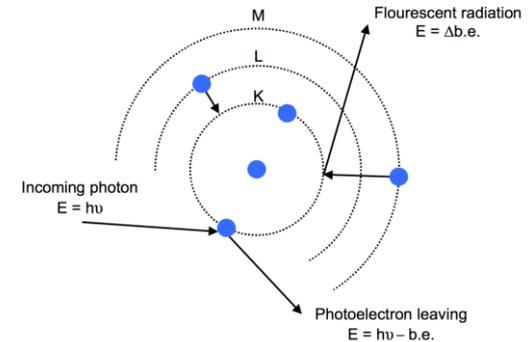
- **Modify Bethe Bloch** to take into account that incoming particle has same mass as the atomic electrons
- Bremsstrahlung (**photon emission** by an electron accelerated in Coulomb field of nucleus) in the electrical field of a charge Z comes in addition : σ goes as $1/m^2$



• Neutral Particles •

Contrary to charged particles that deposit energy continuously due to ionization, photons usually suffer one-off interactions producing charged particles

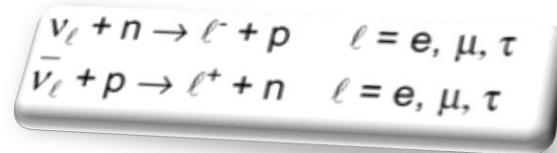
- Energy (~keV to MeV)
- **Photoelectric effect (Z^5)**; absorption of a photon by an atom **ejecting an electron**.
Used in various detector technologies (very imp. In medical imaging)
 - **Compton scattering (Z)**; scattering of a photon against a free electron (Klein Nishina formula). It results in a **decrease in energy of the photon**. Part of the energy of the photon is transferred to the recoiling electron.
 - **Pair-production (Z^2+Z)**; essentially bremsstrahlung, **photon creating an electron-positron pair near a nucleus**. Dominates at a high energy, threshold at $2 m_e = 1.022 \text{ MeV}$
Most important in our field, Initiates EM shower in calorimeters



• Neutrinos •

- Neutrinos interact only weakly, **tiny cross-sections**
- To detect neutrinos, we need first a charged particle (again)

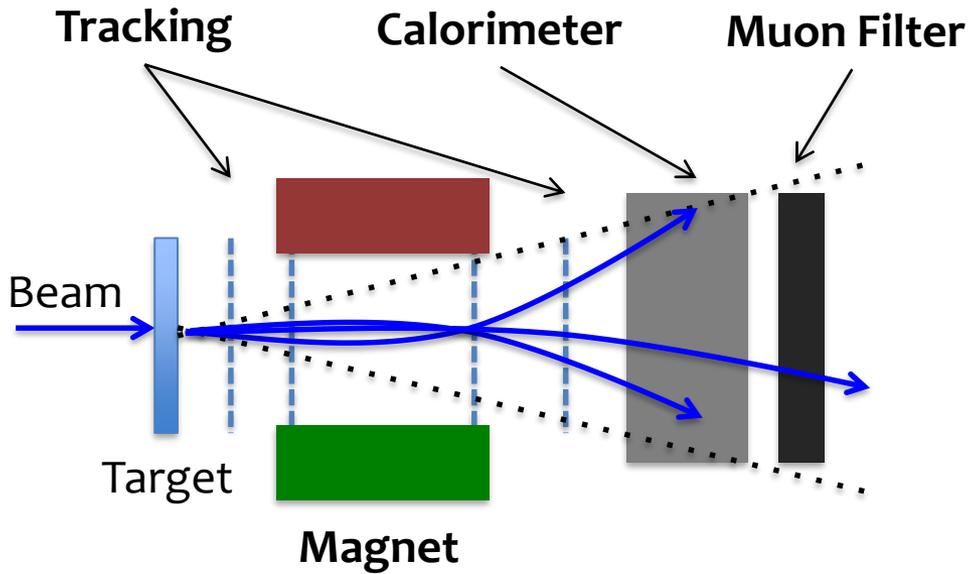
– Possible reactions:



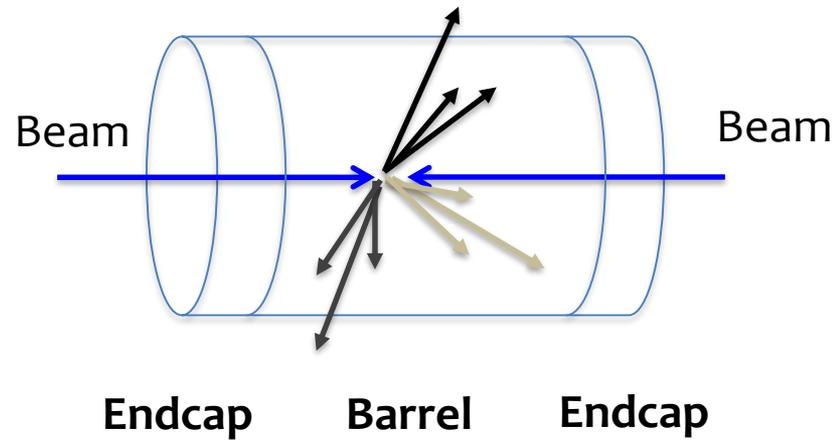
- The cross-section of the reaction $\mathbf{n_e + n \rightarrow e^- + p}$ is of the order 10^{-43} cm^2 (per nucleon, $E_n \sim \text{few MeV}$), therefore
 - Detection efficiency $\mathbf{e_{det} = s \times N^{\text{surf}} = s r N_A d / A}$
 - 1m Iron: $\mathbf{e_{det} \sim 5 \times 10^{-17}}$
- Neutrino detection requires big and massive detectors (kT) and high neutrino fluxes
- **In collider experiments, fully hermetic detector allow to detect neutrinos indirectly: we sum up all visible energy and momentum, and attribute missing energy and momentum to neutrino**

• Detector Systems •

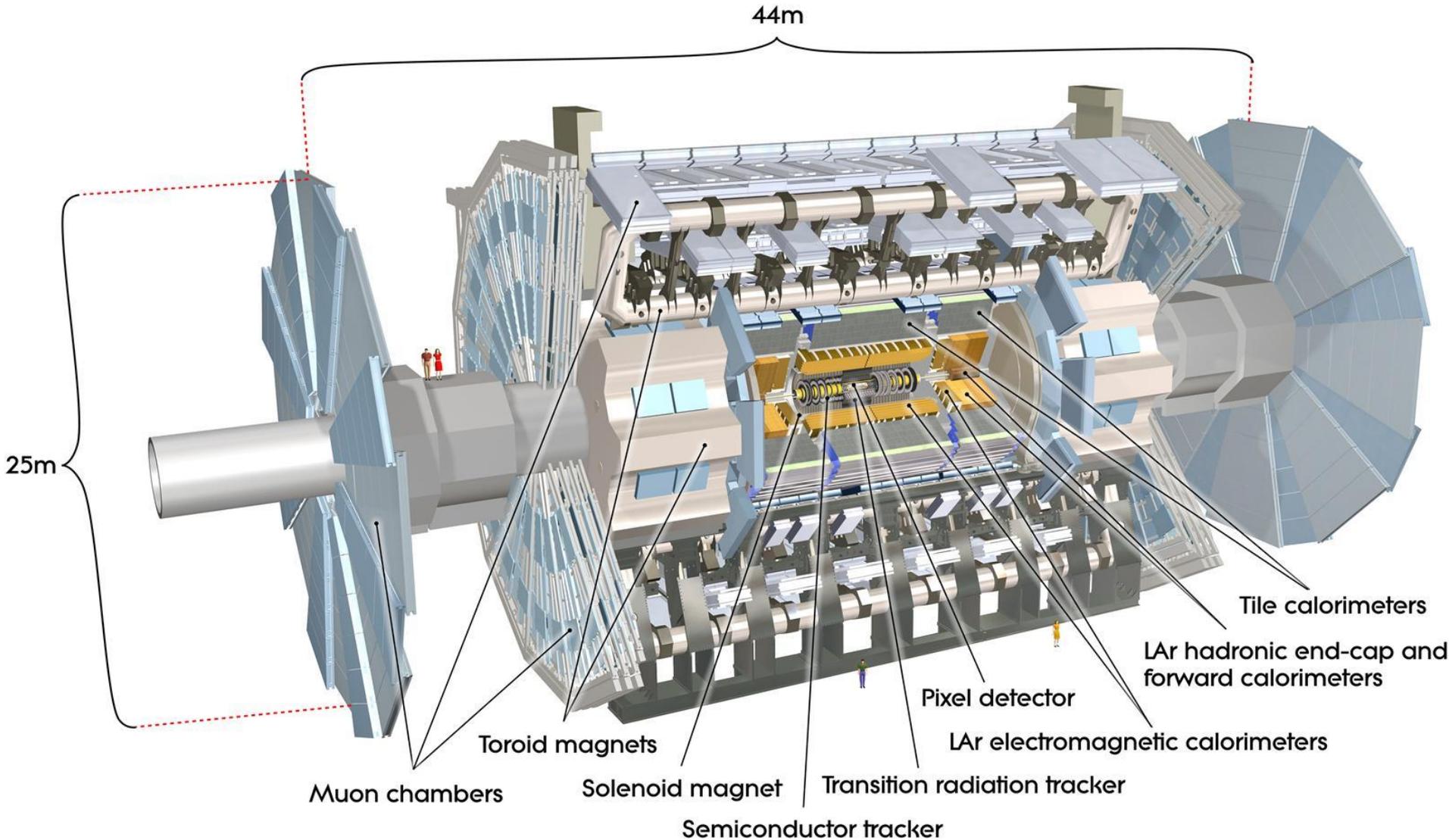
Fix Target Geometry



Collider Geometry



• ATLAS Detector •



CMS DETECTOR

Total weight : 14,000 tonnes
Overall diameter : 15.0 m
Overall length : 28.7 m
Magnetic field : 3.8 T

STEEL RETURN YOKE
12,500 tonnes

SILICON TRACKERS
Pixel ($100 \times 150 \mu\text{m}$) $\sim 16\text{m}^2 \sim 66\text{M}$ channels
Microstrips ($80 \times 180 \mu\text{m}$) $\sim 200\text{m}^2 \sim 9.6\text{M}$ channels

SUPERCONDUCTING SOLENOID
Niobium titanium coil carrying $\sim 18,000\text{A}$

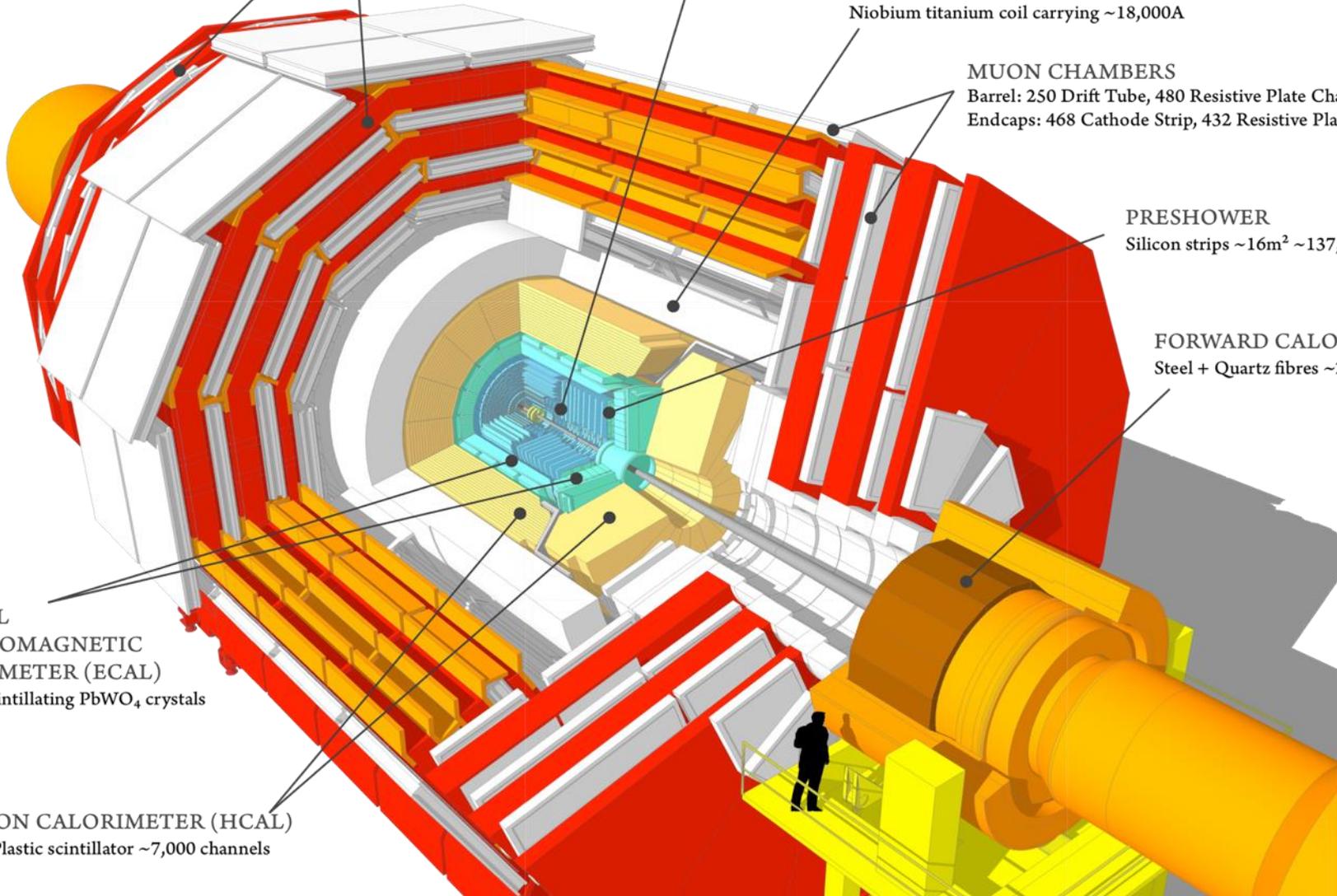
MUON CHAMBERS
Barrel: 250 Drift Tube, 480 Resistive Plate Chambers
Endcaps: 468 Cathode Strip, 432 Resistive Plate Chambers

PRESHOWER
Silicon strips $\sim 16\text{m}^2 \sim 137,000$ channels

FORWARD CALORIMETER
Steel + Quartz fibres $\sim 2,000$ Channels

CRYSTAL
ELECTROMAGNETIC
CALORIMETER (ECAL)
 $\sim 76,000$ scintillating PbWO_4 crystals

HADRON CALORIMETER (HCAL)
Brass + Plastic scintillator $\sim 7,000$ channels



• Detector Technologies •

- How are reactions of the various particles with detectors turned into electrical signals. We would like to extract position and energy information channel by channel from our detectors.
- Three effects/**technologies** are usually used :

Ionisation detectors

If a particle has enough energy to ionize a gas atom or molecule, the resulting electrons and ions cause a current flow which can be measured.

Semiconductors

When a charged particle traverses Si, it produces ionizing and non-ionizing E Loss. The latter produces radiation damage, while ionization loss causes the creation of e-hole pairs which produces the signal.

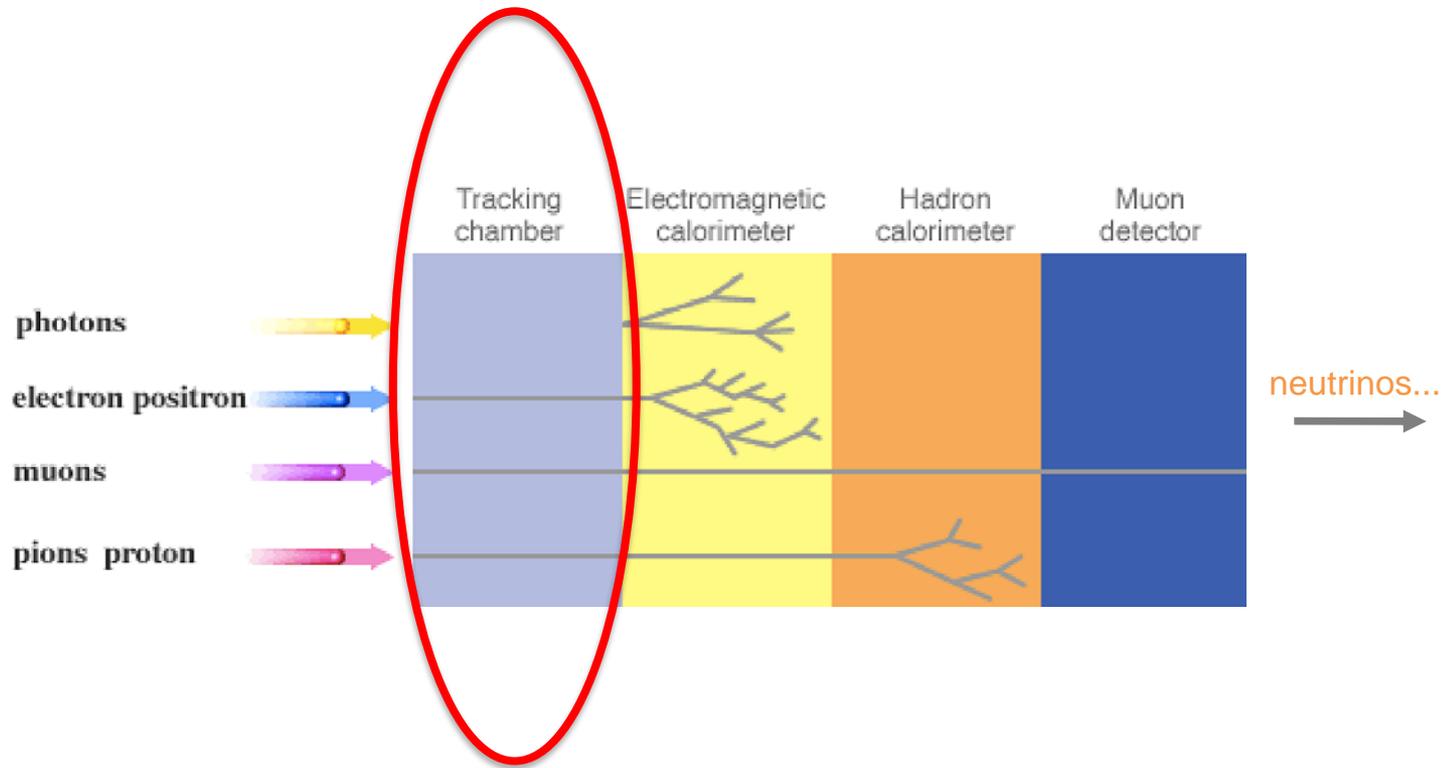
Scintillators

Scintillators are materials that produce sparks or scintillations of light when ionizing radiation passes through them. The charged particle excites atoms in the scintillator, e- returns to ground state by emitting a photon.

and these are used for different **functions**: tracking and/or triggering, energy measurements, photon detectors for Cherenkov or TRT, etc

and from then on, it is all online (trigger, DAQ) and offline treatment and analysis

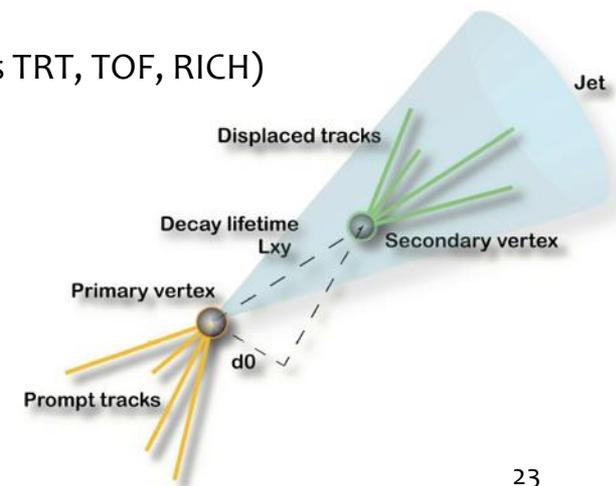
• Tracking •



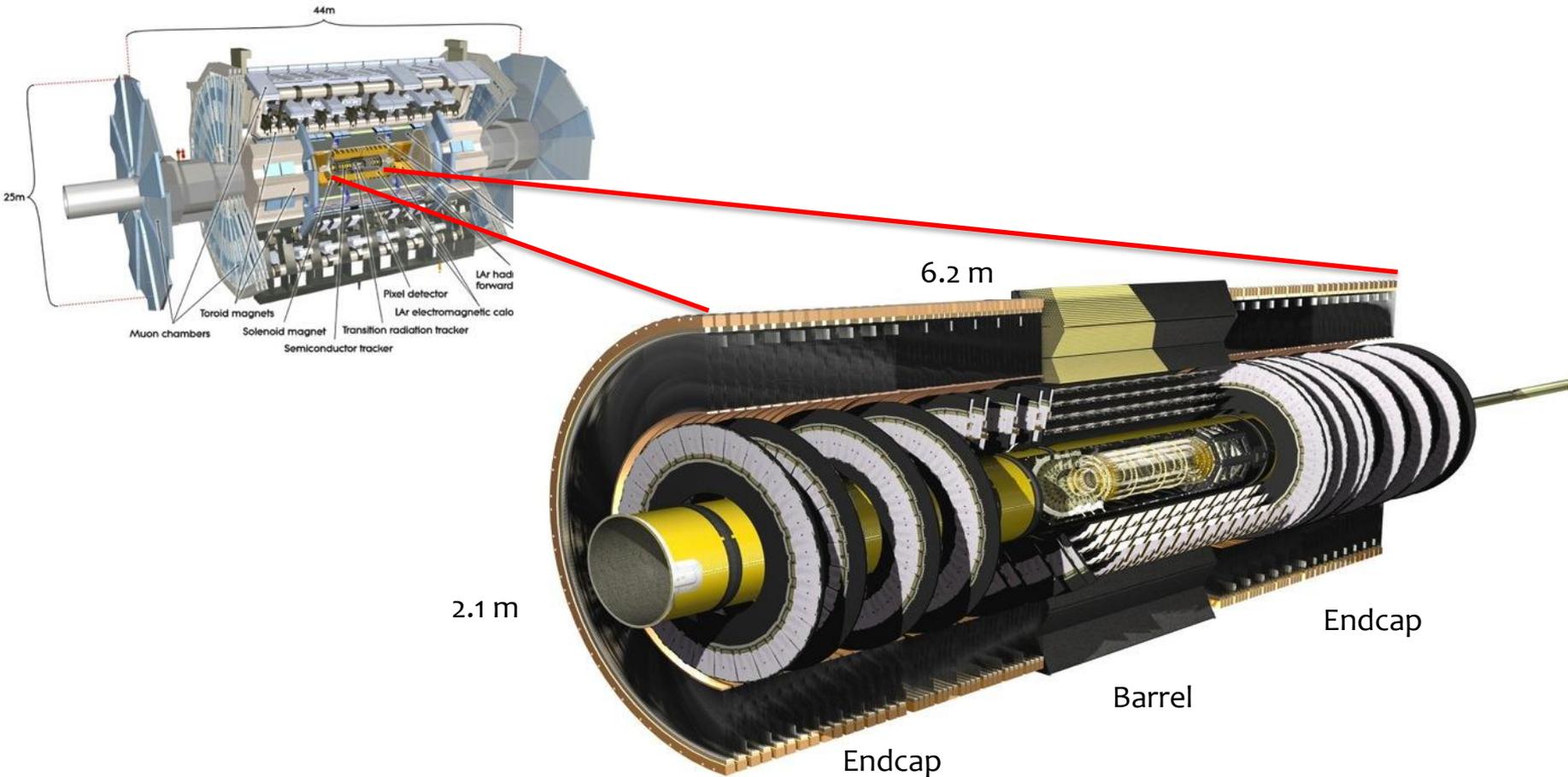
• Trackers •

- **Measure charged particles as they emerge from the interaction point, disturbing them as little as possible**
- Measure the trajectory of charged particles
 - Measure several points (hits) along the track and fit curves to the hits (helix, straight line)
- Determine their momentum
 - From their curvature in a magnetic field
- Extrapolate back to the point of origin
 - Reconstruct primary vertices
- Reconstruct secondary vertices
 - Long-lived particles have a measurable displacement between primary vertex and decay
- Match tracks with showers in the calorimeters or tracks in the muon systems
- Trackers also contribute to particle identification (PID)
 - Measuring rate of energy loss (dE/dx) in the tracker
 - Using dedicated detectors to distinguish different particle types TRT, TOF, RICH)

Want a compact detector, inside a magnetic field, to register as many hits as possible but light to minimise interactions of charged (and neutral) particles before they reach the calorimeter systems



• ATLAS Tracker •

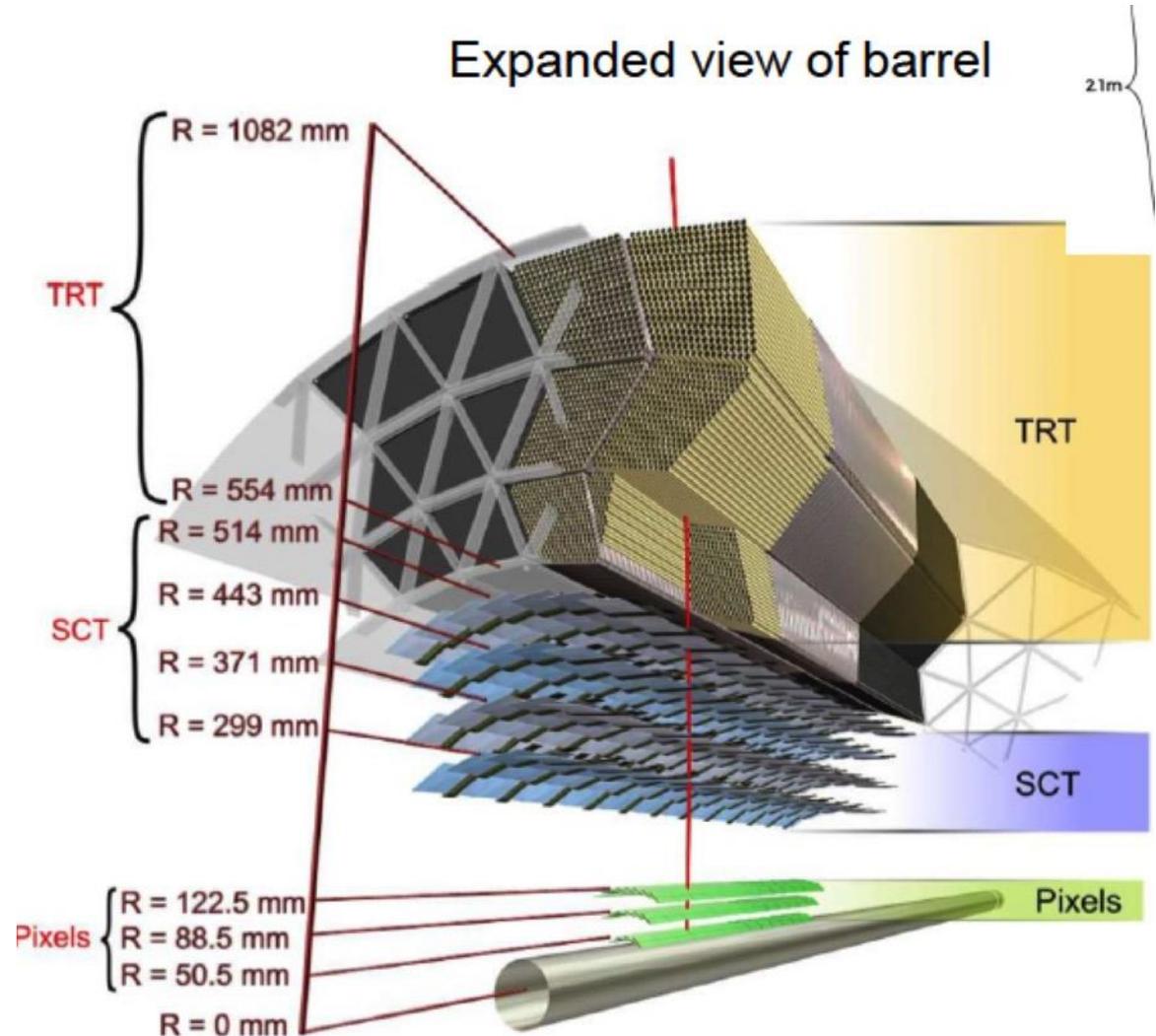


• ATLAS Tracker •

TRT (Straws-Gas)
 350 kchannels
 36 track points
 $\sigma \sim 130 \mu\text{m}$

SCT (Silicon strips)
 6.2 Mchannels
 4 track points
 $\sigma \sim 16 \mu\text{m}$

Pixel (Silicon pixels)
 80 Mchannels
 3 track points
 $\sigma \sim 10 \mu\text{m}$

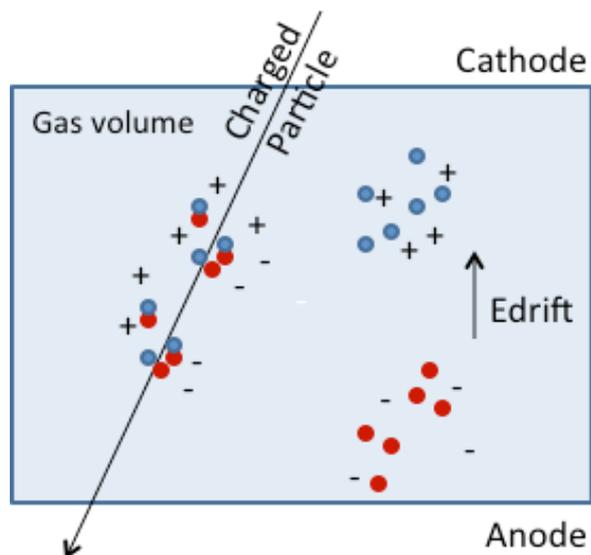


• Gaseous Detectors •

Any charged particle traversing a gas will lose energy due to interactions with the atoms of the gas. This results in:

- **Excitation**, the particle passes a specific amount of energy to a gas atom
- **Ionization**, the particle knocks an electron off the gas atom, and leaves a positively charged ion

Resulting primary e^- will have enough kinetic energy to ionize other atoms of gas. The sum is called **Total Ionization**

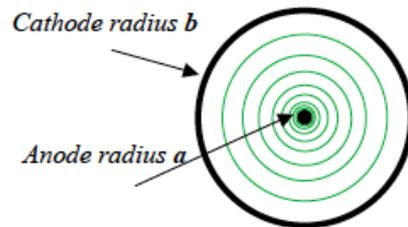


- Typically ~ 100 pairs/cm, and they are not easy to detect as the typical noise of an amplifier is $\sim 1000 e^-$
- **Need to MULTIPLY the electrons**

• Amplification •

- Multiplication requires fields where the e^- energy occasionally is sufficient to ionise

THIN ANODE WIRE

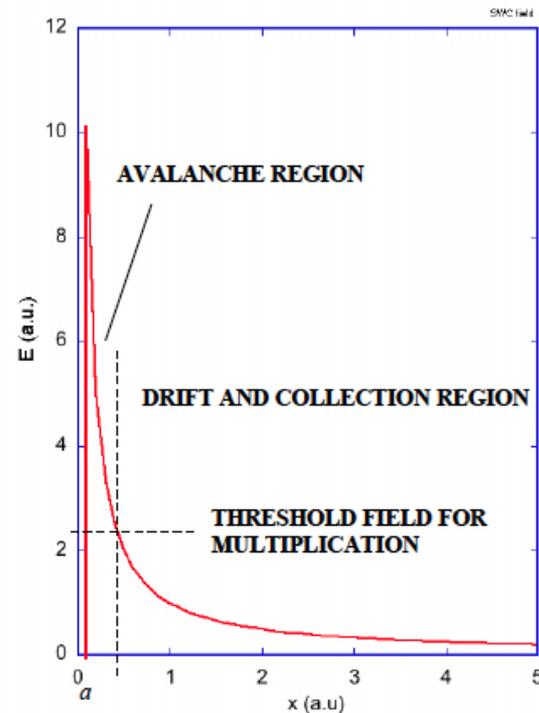


ELECTRIC FIELD AND POTENTIAL:

$$E(r) = \frac{CV_0}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r}$$

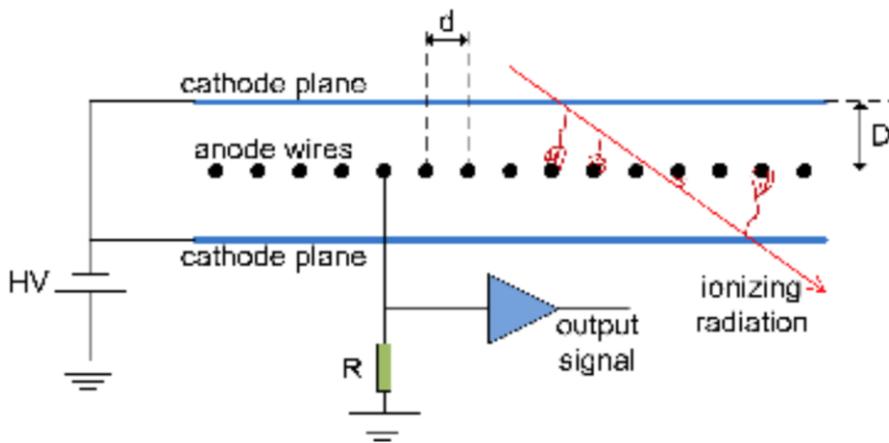
$$V(r) = \frac{CV_0}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{r}{a}$$

$$C = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln(b/a)} \quad \text{capacitance per unit length}$$



• MWPC •

- Fast position-sensitive detectors (1968)
- Continuously active
- Efficient at particle fluxes up to several MHz/cm^2
- Sub-mm position accuracy
- **First electronic device allowing high statistics experiments !!**

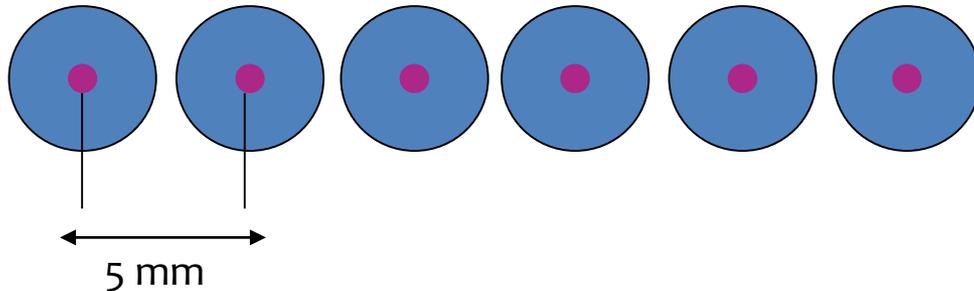


G.Charpak, Noble Prize in 1992



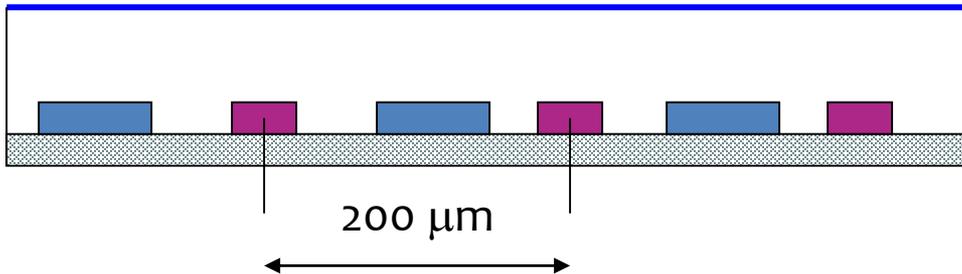
MWPC... Rate capability limited by space charge defined by the time of evacuation of positive ions

• Increasing Cell Granularity •



STRAW TUBES

Anode-cathode distance: 2 mm
Spatial resolution $\sim 130\text{-}300\ \mu\text{m}$

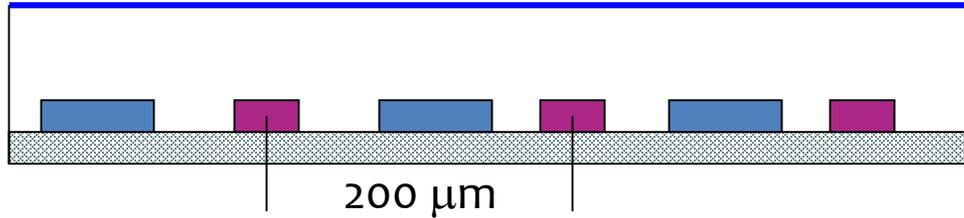


MICRO STRIP GAS CHAMBERS (MSGC - A.Oed,1988)

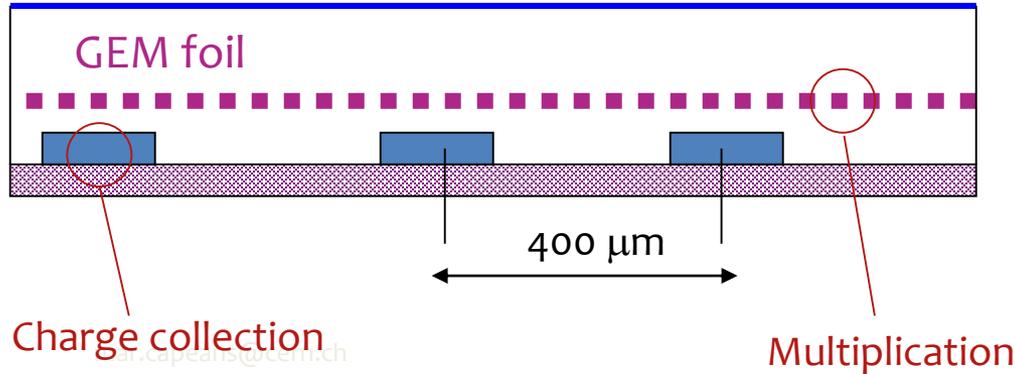
Semiconductor industry technologies
Anode-cathode distance: $40\ \mu\text{m}$
Spatial resolution $\sim 40\ \mu\text{m}$

MSGC... Very high rate capability due to small pitch and fast ion collection, but delicate structures with very high fields in electrodes edges.... sparks

• Decoupling Multiplication from Charge Collection •

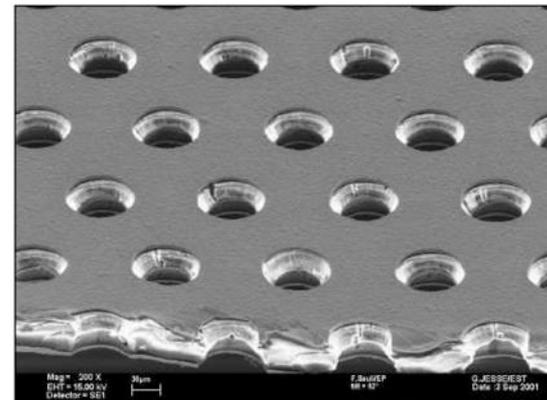


Micro Strip Gas Chamber



**Gas Electron Multiplier
(GEM – F.Sauli, 1998)**

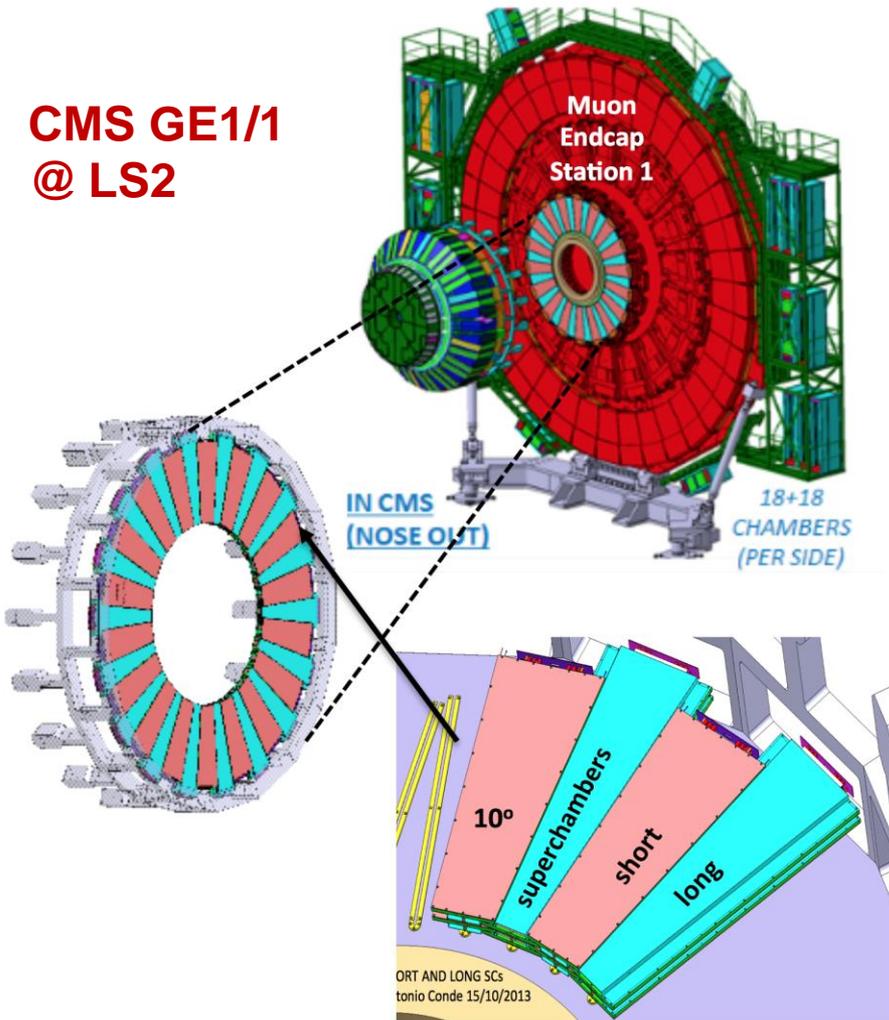
Spatial resolution $\sim 50\ \mu\text{m}$
Time resolution better than $10\ \text{ns}$



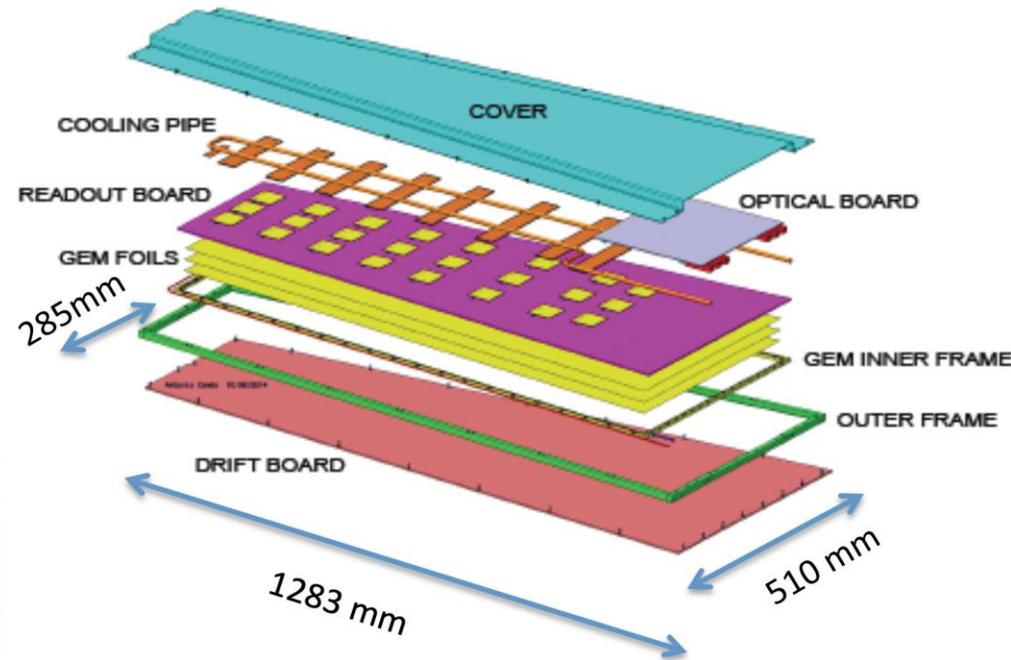
Thin metal-coated polymer foils
 $70\ \mu\text{m}$ holes at $140\ \mu\text{m}$ pitch

- New LHC Detectors with newest technologies (GEM) •

**CMS GE1/1
@ LS2**



Exploded view of a long GE1/1 triple-GEM:



● Gas Detectors ●

- Good spatial resolution
- Good dE/dx
- Good Rate capability
- Fast & Large Signals
- Low radiation length
- Large area coverage
- Multiple configurations, flexible geometry

Gas detectors perform well where a precision of a few tens of microns is required

At very large radius, where large areas have to be covered, e.g. the muon chambers, it is unrealistic to use anything other than gas detectors.

In the intermediate region between about 20 cm and 2 m radius silicon and micropattern gas detectors meet as rivals, as both fulfill all the necessary requirements concerning precision, rate capability and radiation hardness.

• Semiconductors •

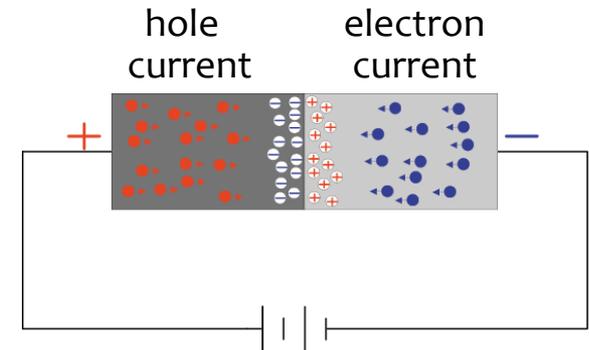
- Solid state ionization chamber, member of the large family of ionization detectors. A Si detector takes advantage of the special electronic structure of a semi-conductor.
 - Used in nuclear physics for Energy measurements since the 50ies
 - Appear in HEP in the 70ies
 - In the 80ies, planar technique of producing silicon radiation sensors, permitting segmentation of one side of the junction and the use of signals recorded on the segments to determine particle positions

• Semiconductors •

Basic element of a solid state (silicon) detector is... a **diode**

p-type (more holes) and n-type (more electrons) doped silicon material is put together

Please watch this fun video on transistors
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lcrBqCFLHIY>

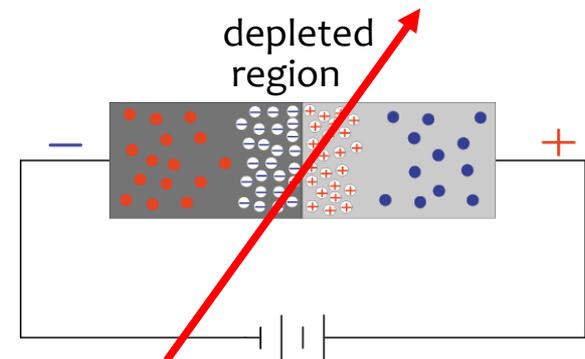


Current flow through diode if connects like this

For particle detectors: reverse bias the diode to create an active detection layer

Depletion layer: zone free of mobile charge carriers

- no free holes, no electrons so that we can observe the ionization charge
- thickness of depletion region depends on voltage, doping concentration



Charged particle can create new electron/hole pairs in depletion area sufficient to create a signal

Typically 20000 - 30'000 electron/hole pairs in Si 300 μm
Compare to intrinsic Si: $4.5 \cdot 10^8$ per detector/ cm^2

• Semiconductors •

(more generally, solid state detectors)

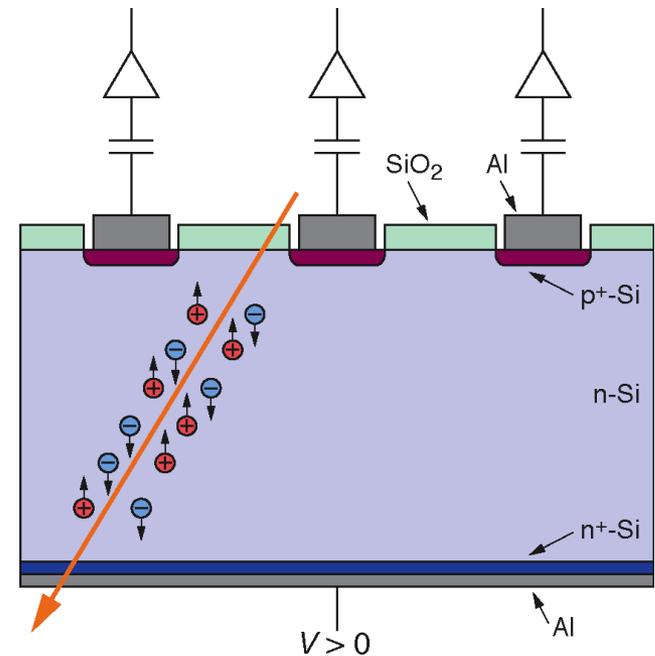
DC coupled strip detector

Through going charged particles create e^- h^+ pairs in the depletion zone (about ~ 25000 pairs in standard detector thickness).

These charges drift to the electrodes.

The drift (current) creates the signal which is amplified by an amplifier connected to each strip.

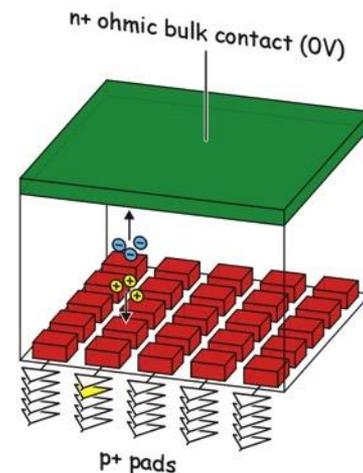
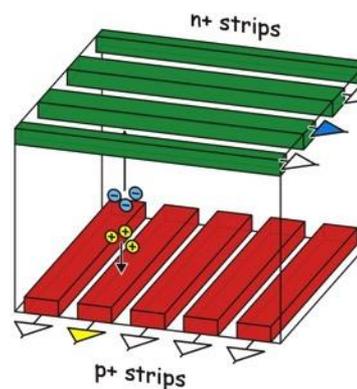
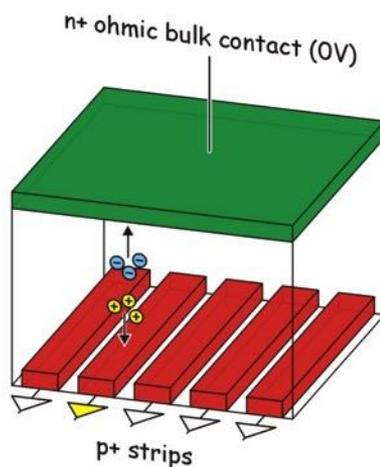
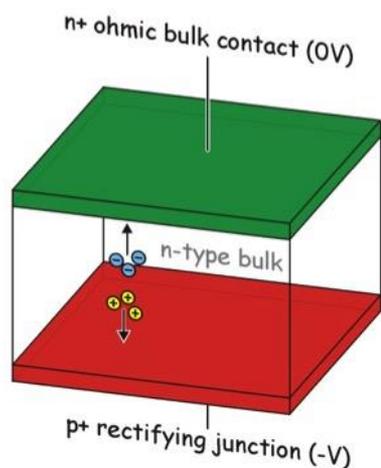
From the signals on the individual strips the position of the through going particle is deduced.



• Semiconductors •

- **Very attractive in HEP because of:**
 - Good intrinsic **energy resolution**
 - Silicon: 1 e-hole pair for every 3.6 eV released by a crossing particle. In Gas: 30 eV required to ionize a gas molecule
 - High primary ionization (larger signal), **no amplification**: typical detector thickness (300 mm) result in 3.2×10^4 e-/hole pairs
 - Si high density reduces the range of secondary e, thus **good spatial resolution**
 - 10 mm, the best ~1 mm
 - The **granularity** can also be very high
 - **Thin**, therefore can be positioned close to the interaction point
 - **Industrial process** (high yield, continuous development...)

• Strips VS Pixels •



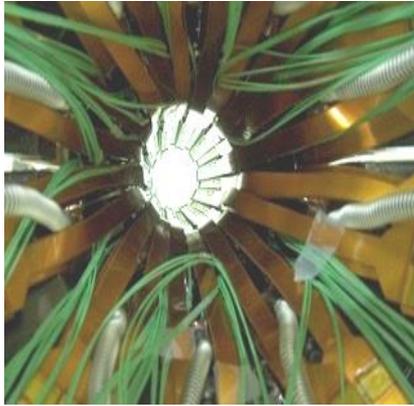
Strips

- Each strip is connected to one electronic readout channel
- First prototypes: ~ 1980
- Strip pitch: ~10-100 μm
- Position resolution: ~few μm due to charge sharing between neighbouring strips

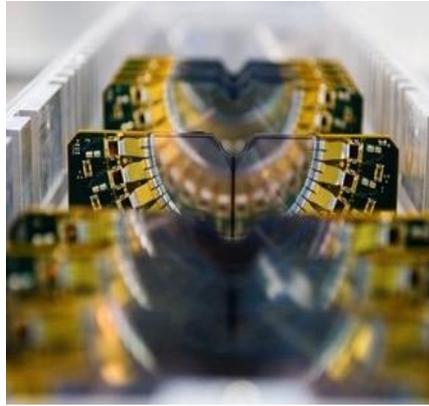
Pixels

- 2D resolution
- First prototypes ~1990
- Can be used for tracking or imaging:
 - particle tracking = detection of individual charged particles
 - imaging = count / integrate particles or photons

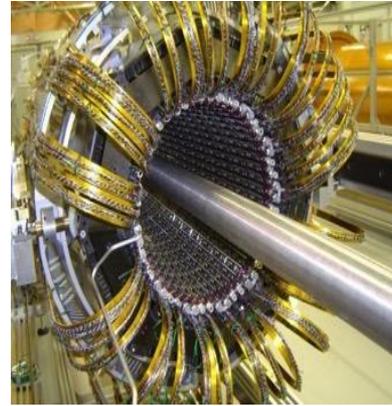
Silicon Detectors at LHC



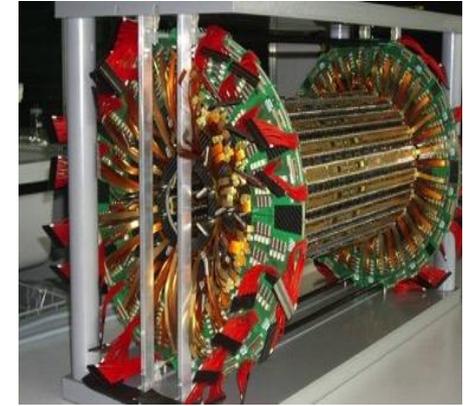
ALICE Pixel Detector



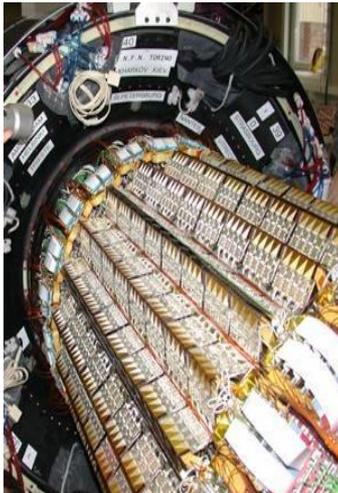
LHCb VELO



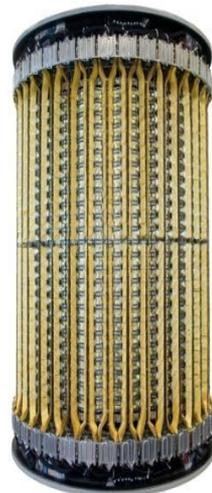
ATLAS Pixel Detector



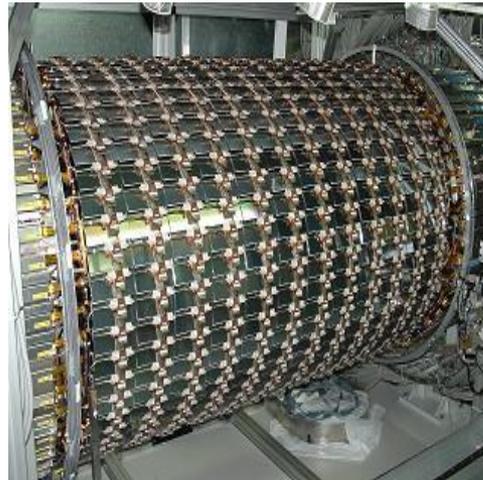
CMS Pixel Detector



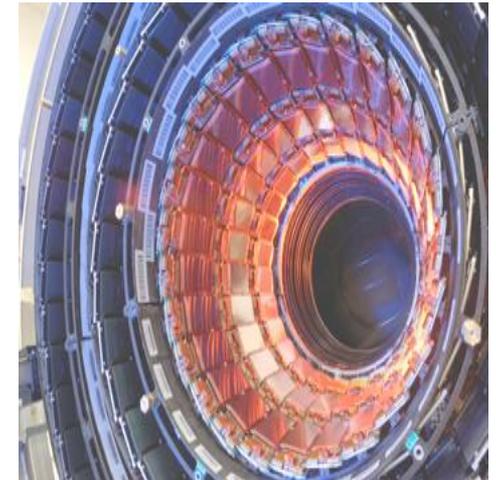
ALICE Drift Detector



ALICE Strip Detector

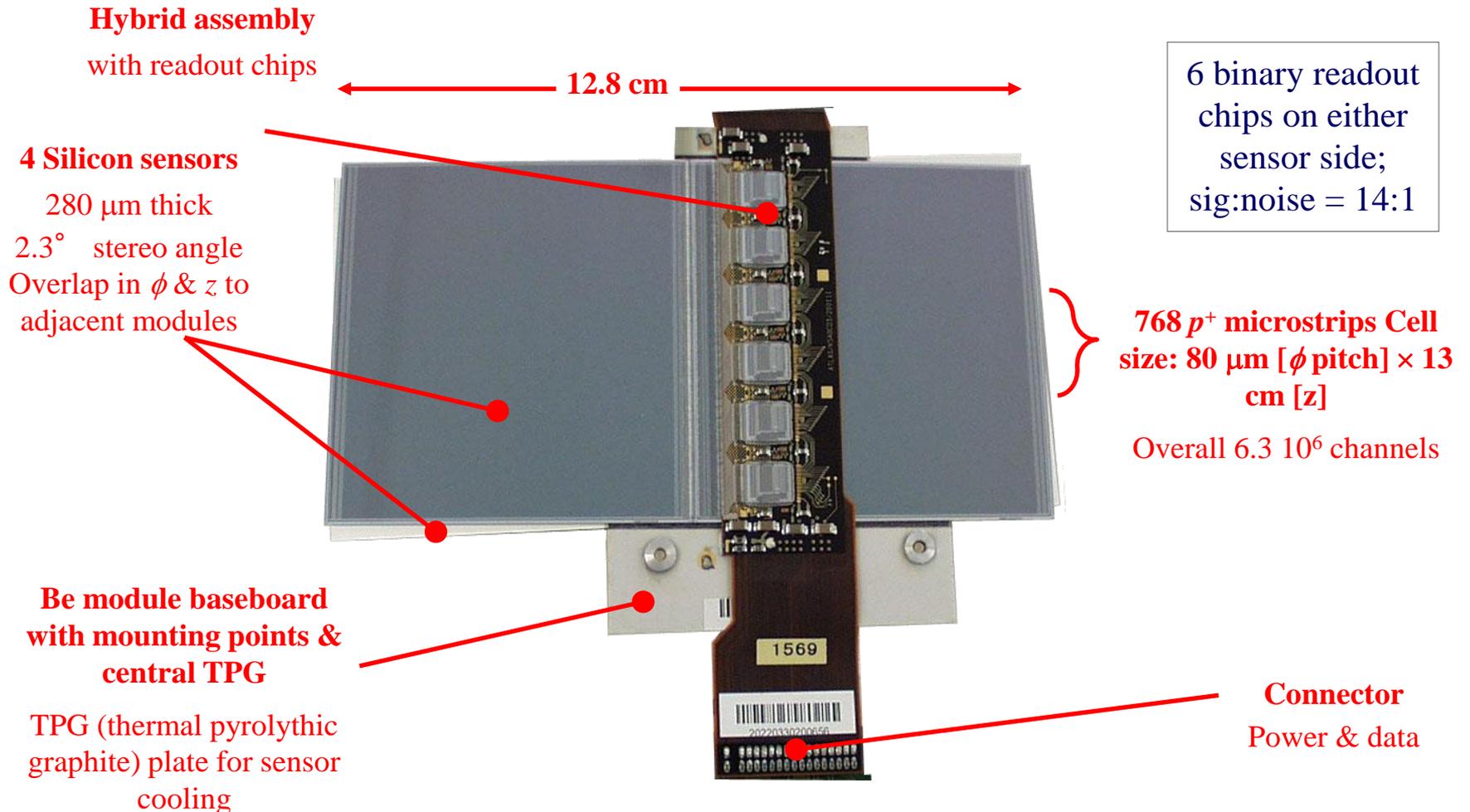


ATLAS SCT Barrel



CMS Strip Tracker IB

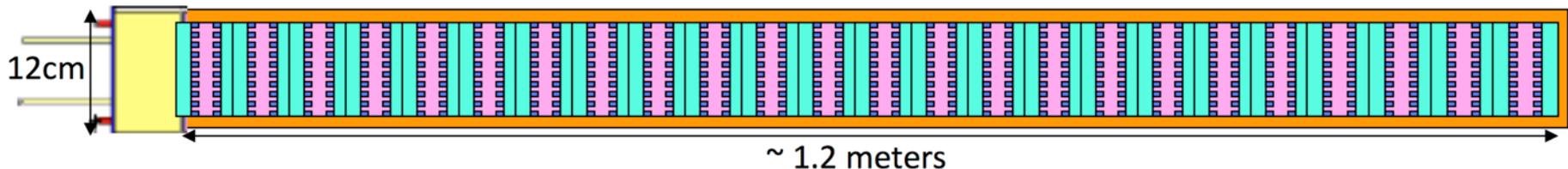
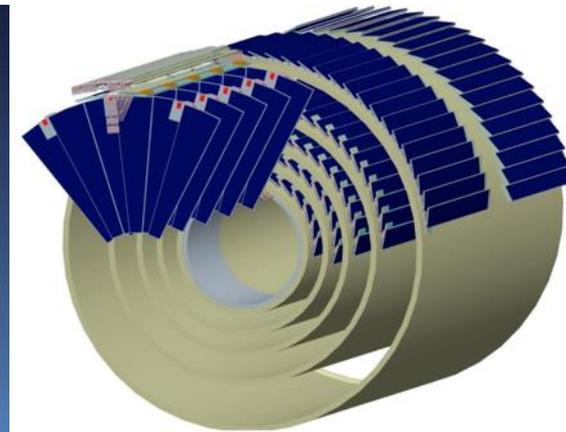
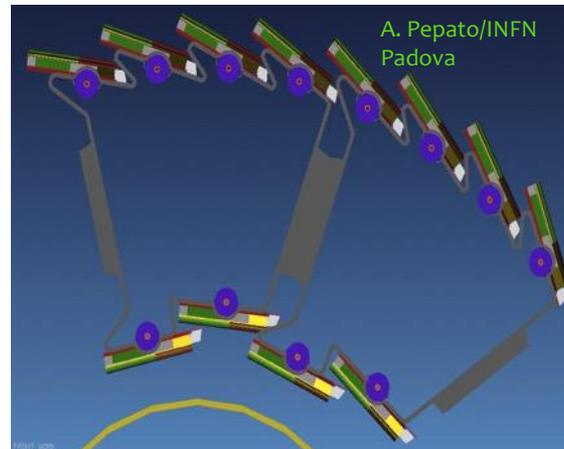
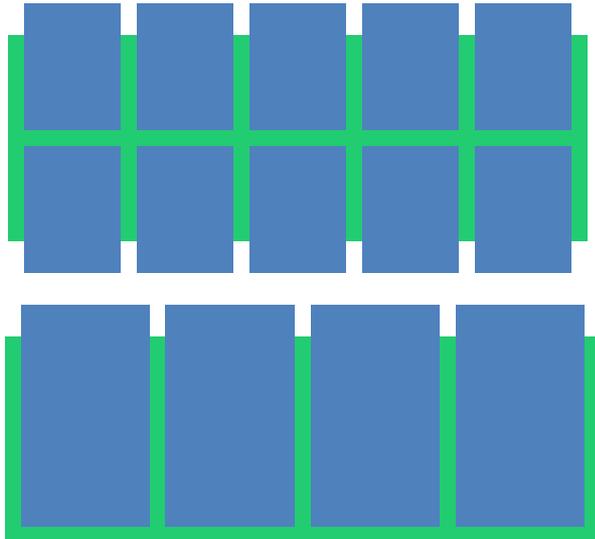
ATLAS, Barrel SCT module



Fully equipped double sided electrical module with baseboard and readout hybrids

• Systems •

- **How to efficiently cover large surfaces? Ladders (modules)**
 - sensor size limited by wafer size and bump bonding requirements (flatness!), LHC experiments today: $\sim 7\text{cm} \times 2\text{cm}$
 - chip size limited by process rules (larger chip means lower yield in production)

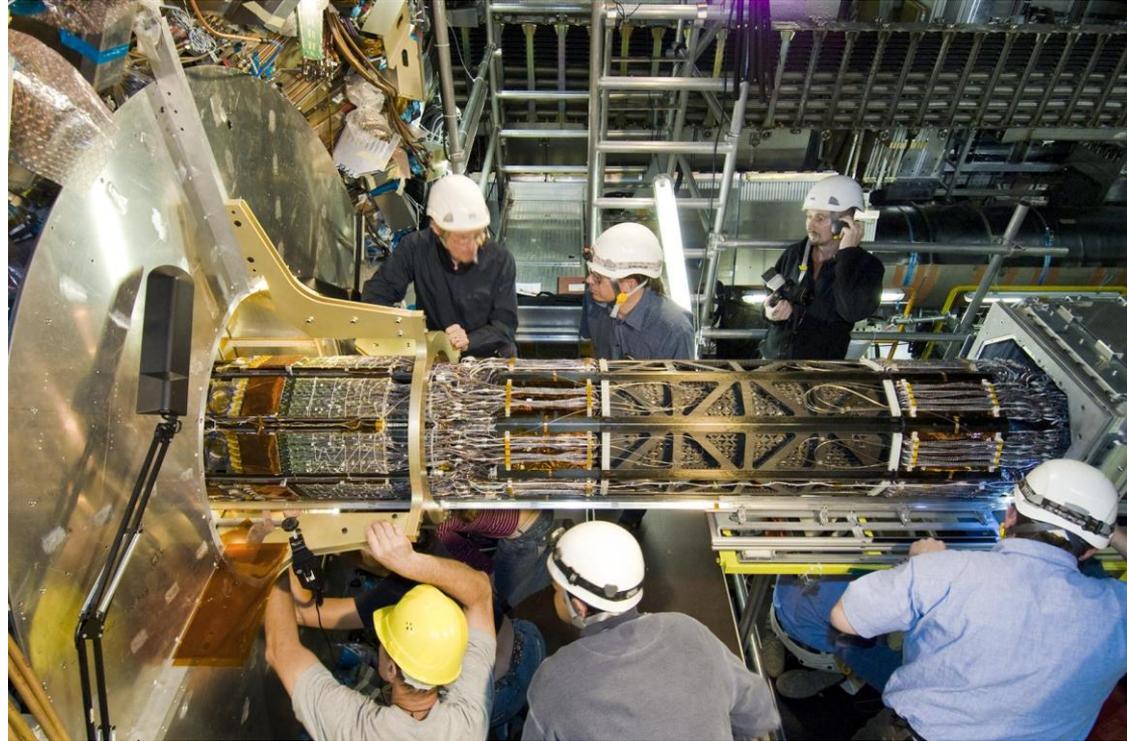


• Systems •

What is a system?

- Sensor
- Readout electronics
- Interconnection

- Mechanical supports
- Cooling, thermal aspects
- Power supplies
- Services: cables, pipes, fiber links...
- Monitoring, sensors, alignment

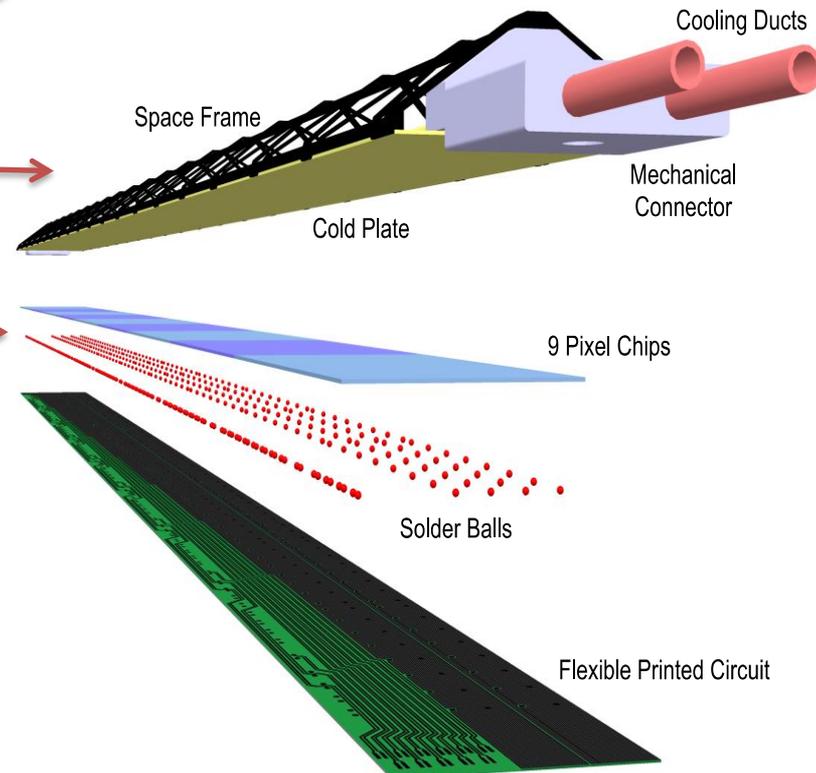


• Silicon detectors, Trends •

ALICE ITS Upgrade: Inner Layer Stave

Light weight, compact modules to minimize material budget:

- Monolithic sensors: integrated sensor and electronics
- Integrated mechanical support and cooling
- 50 μm silicon sensors connected via solder points (direct on chip laser soldering) to a 2-layer Al(Cu)-polyimide flex cable
- Power and signal connections to each chip



• Scintillation Particle Detector •

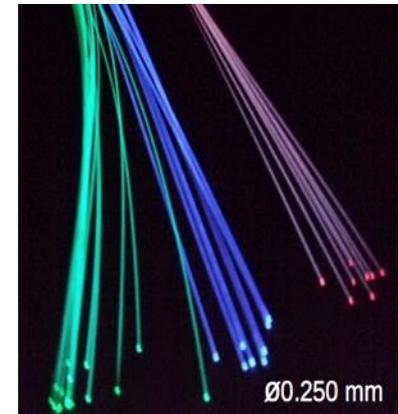
Scintillators are materials that produce sparks or scintillations of light when ionizing radiation passes through them. The charged particle excites atoms in the scintillator, e- returns to ground state by emitting a photon

Detector Principle

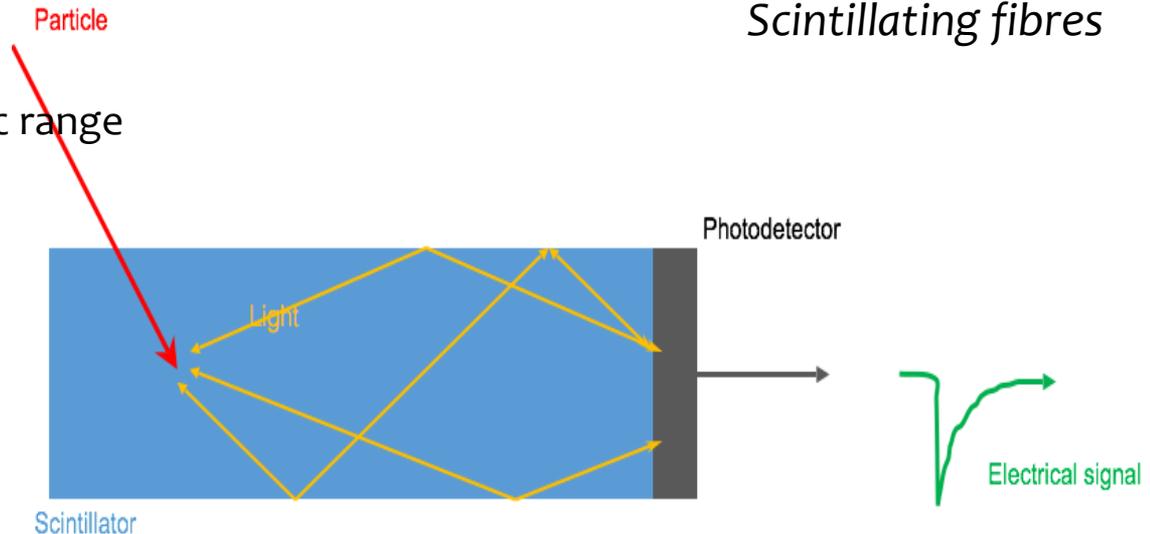
- dE/dx converted into visible light
- Detection via photosensor [e.g. photomultiplier, SiPM, human eye ...]

Main Features

- Sensitivity to energy
- Good linearity over large dynamic range
- Fast time response
- Pulse shape discrimination

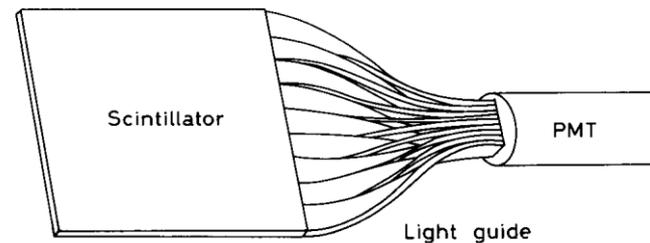


Scintillating fibres



• Scintillators •

- Different types of scintillators
 - Inorganic crystalline scintillators (NaI, CsI, BaF₂...)
 - Nobel Gas (Ar)
 - Organic (Liquids or plastic scintillators)
- Many different geometries



*Large plates of scintillators
Coupled to single PMT*

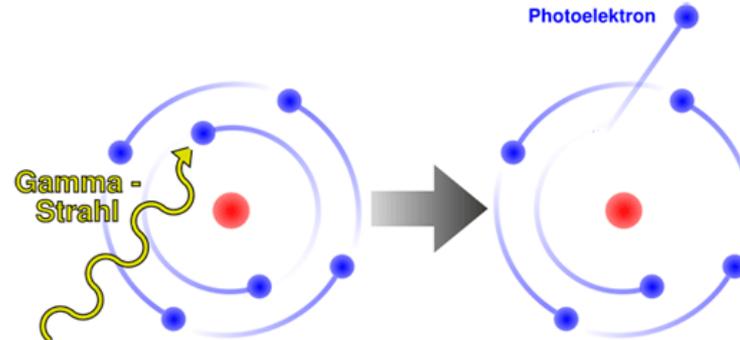
- The amount of light produced in the scintillator is very small. It must be amplified before it can be recorded as a pulse or in any other way.
- External wavelength shifters and light guides are used to aid light collection in complicated geometries; must be insensitive to ionising radiation and Cherenkov light

● Photo-detectors ●

Slide: C.Joram, CERN

Purpose: Convert light into detectable electronic signal

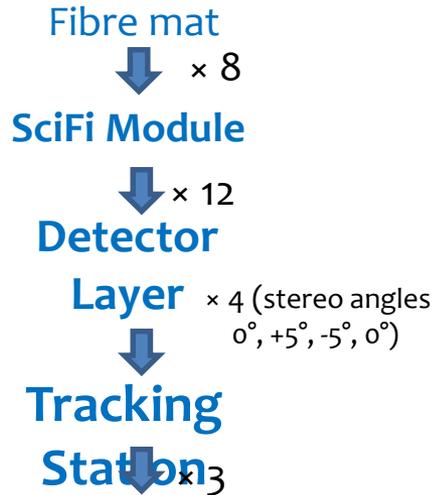
Principle: Use photoelectric effect to 'convert' photons (g) to photoelectrons (pe)



Details depend on the type of the photosensitive material. Many photosensitive materials are semiconductors, but photoeffect can also be observed from gases and liquids.

Photon detection involves often materials like K, Na, Rb, Cs (alkali metals). They have the smallest electronegativity → highest tendency to release electrons.

SciFi in numbers

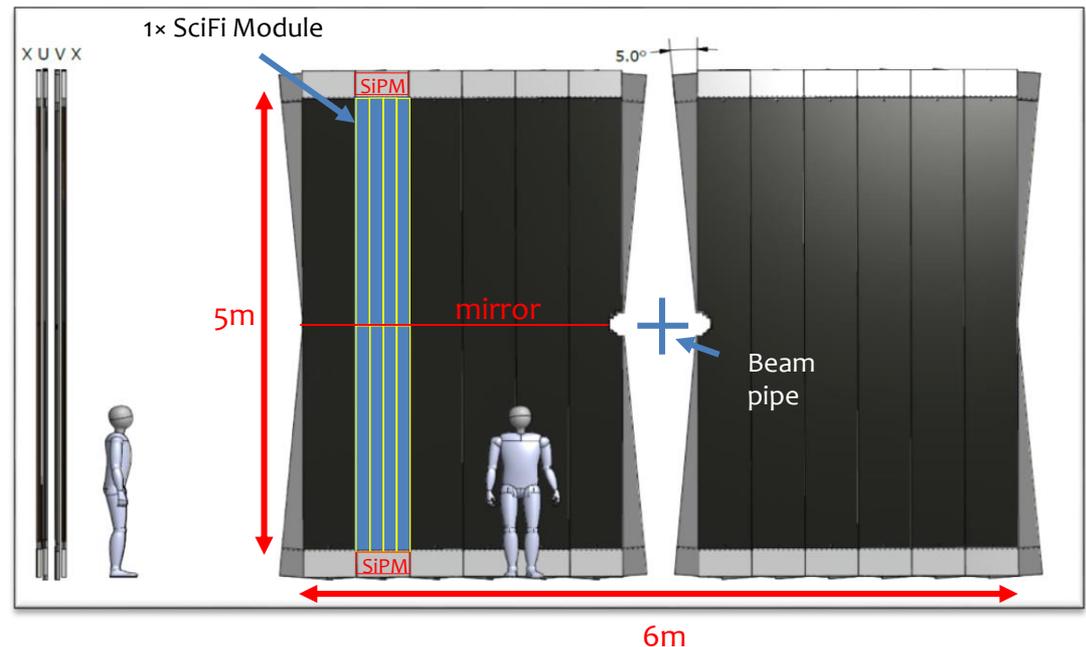


Scintillating Fibre Tracker

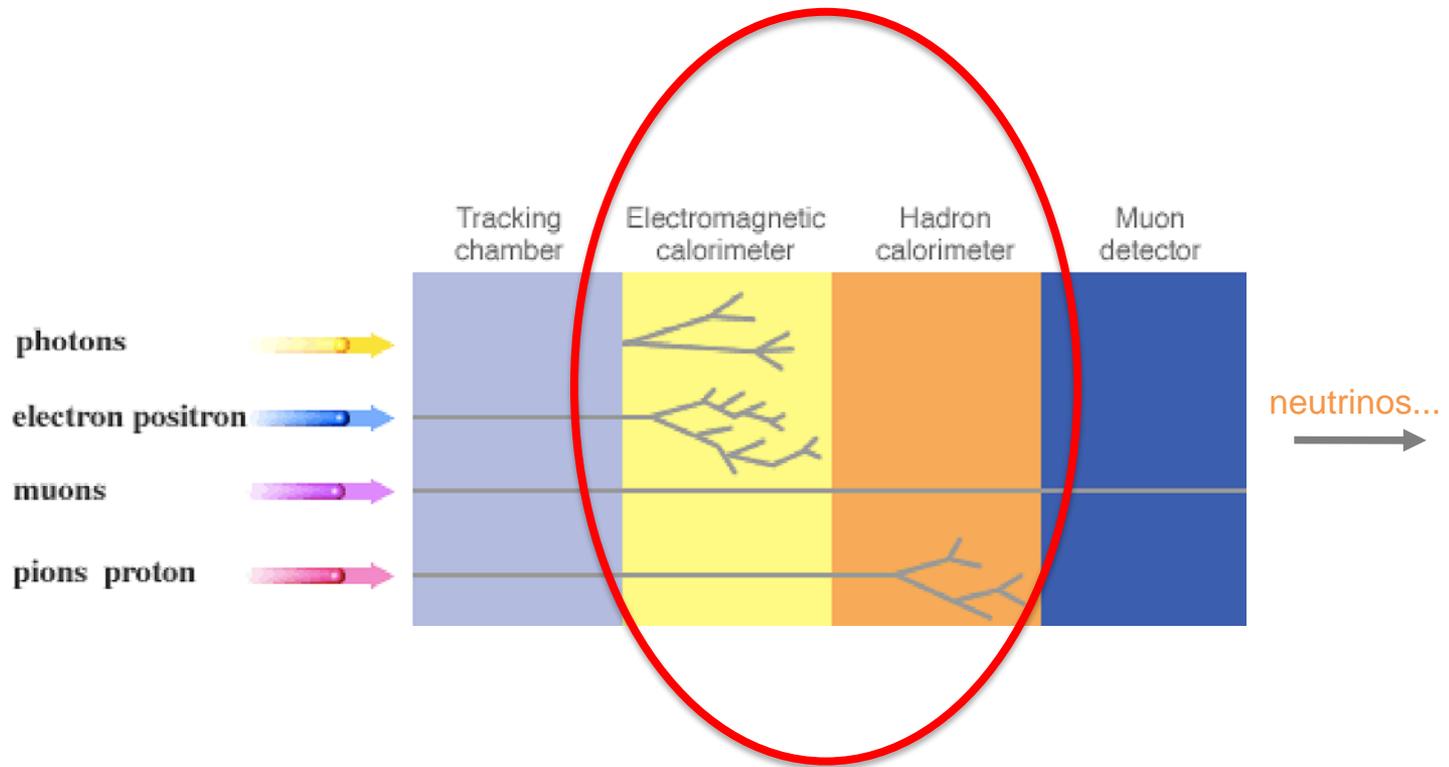
- 250 micron diam fibers
- 1152 mats, 144 modules
- **360 m²** total area
- almost **11,000 km** of fibre
- **~590'000** SiPM channels

Fi-based downstream tracking stations

Single technology that can perform similarly to a silicon tracker, but cost-effective enough to cover the 30m² of acceptance of each layer. The result is a light and uniform tracking detector without the need for cooling or signal cables entering into the detector acceptance.



• Calorimetry •



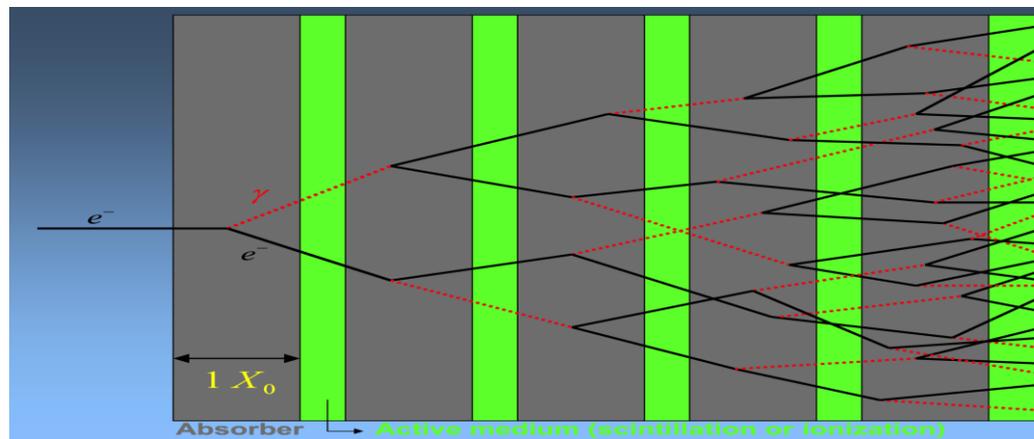
• Calorimeters •

- Experimental technique in nuclear and particle physics where the detection of a particle and the measurement of its properties is based **on total or partial absorption in the detector volume**
- It is a **destructive process**: particle's energy is converted in a detectable signal until the particle is absorbed (or leave the detector)
- First calorimeters in Particle Physics appeared in the '70s as need to measure energies of all particles, charged and neutrals, *except muon (heavy) & neutrinos (weak interaction)*

Calorimeters measure charged and neutral particles (g, e, jets (q,g), missing transverse energy i.e. neutrinos), performance improves with energy and is ~constant over 4p, high rate capabilities and fast making them suitable for trigger applications.

• Calorimeters •

1. An incident particle interacts with the calorimeter passive and active material
2. A cascade process is initiated: shower development depends on particle type and on detector material
3. Visible energy -heat, ionization, excitation of atoms, Cherenkov light- deposited in the active media of the calorimeter produces a detectable signal
4. Signal produced is proportional to the total energy deposited by the particle
5. **Calorimeter's calibration establishes a precise relationship between the 'visible energy' detected and the energy of the incoming particle**



• Calorimeter Types •

By Particle Type

Electromagnetic Calorimeter

Photons and electron showers (γ, e, π^0)

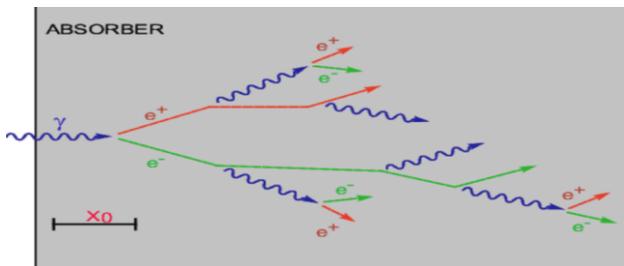
Hadronic Calorimeter

Charged and neutral hadrons, jets (π, p, n)

EM Shower

Energy losses result from different mechanisms, at high energy the most important processes:

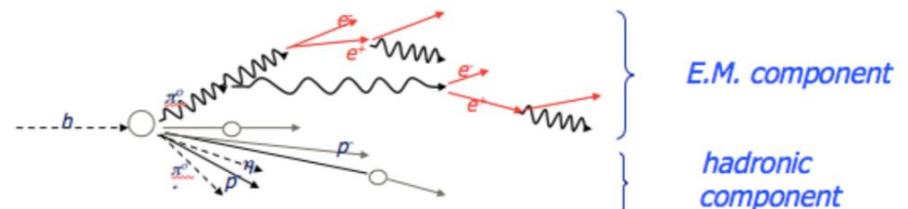
- Electron/Positrons: **Bremsstrahlung**
 $dE_{e^\pm}/E_{e^\pm} = - dx/X_0$
- Photons: **Pair productions** $dE_\gamma/E_\gamma = - (7/9)dx/X_0$



Hadronic Shower

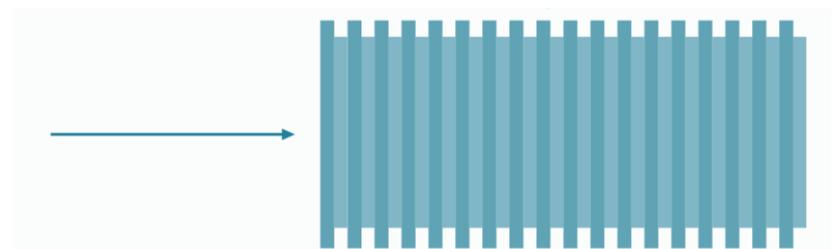
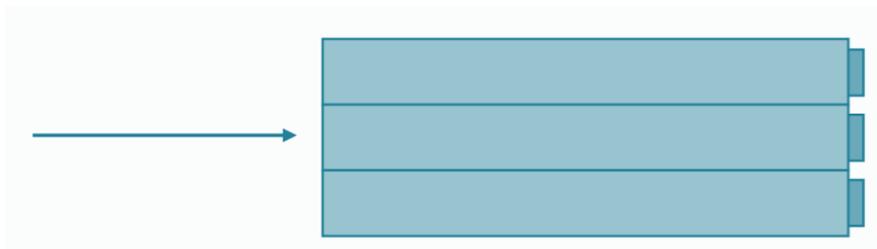
They develop as result of inelastic interaction with the media nuclei through a cascade process

A multitude of effects are produced in the shower development which make the hadron calorimeters a more complicated detector to optimize and with a significantly worse intrinsic



• Calorimeter Types •

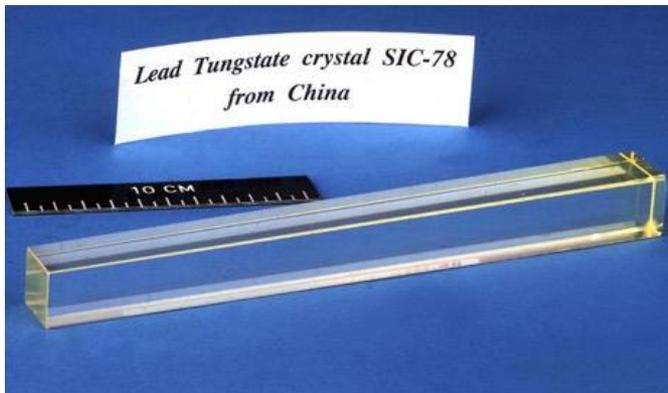
By Construction Type	
Homogenous Calorimeter	Sampling Calorimeters
Full absorption detectors, fully active medium for both energy degradation and signal generation	Alternating layers of absorber material to degrade the particle energy and active media to provide detectable signals
Scintillation Semiconductor Cherenkov Ionization (Common: LAr)	Common absorbers are Pb, Fe, Cu, U



• Calorimeters •

Homogeneous EM Calorimeter (CMS)

- Clear advantage: good energy resolution, good linearity
 - The entire shower is kept in active detector material (no shower particle is lost in passive absorber)
- Disadvantages: limited granularity
 - No information on shower shape in longitudinal direction (along particle flight direction)
 - Cost



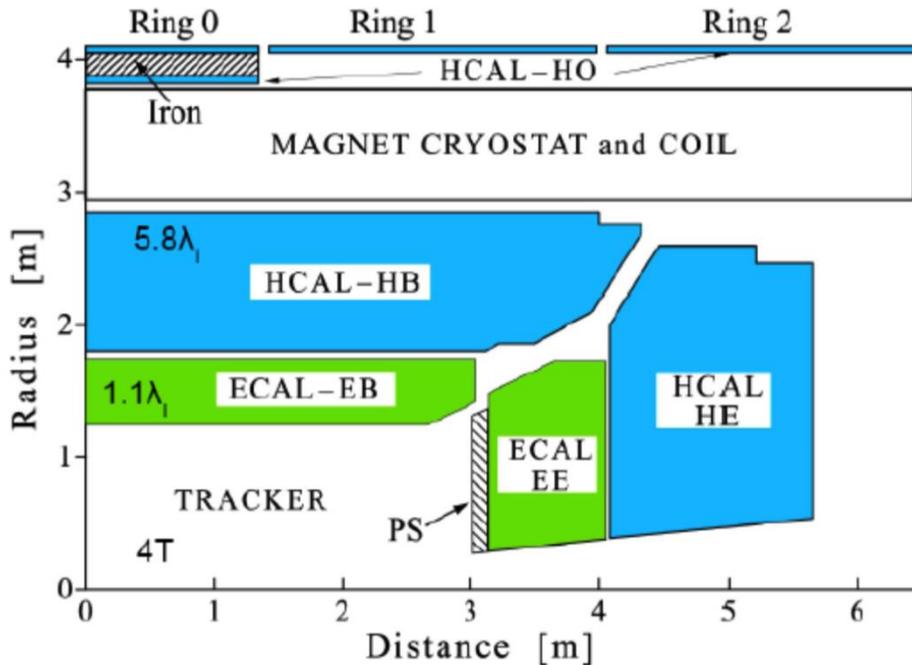
Sampling EM Calorimeter (ATLAS)

- Only a fraction of the energy deposited is detectable: less precision
- Typical sampling calorimeters use iron or lead absorber material, variety of detectors in between possible
- ATLAS is using LAr with “accordion” shaped steel absorbers (accordion geometry to provide better uniformity of response, less cabling, and fast signal extraction)



Calorimeter Systems

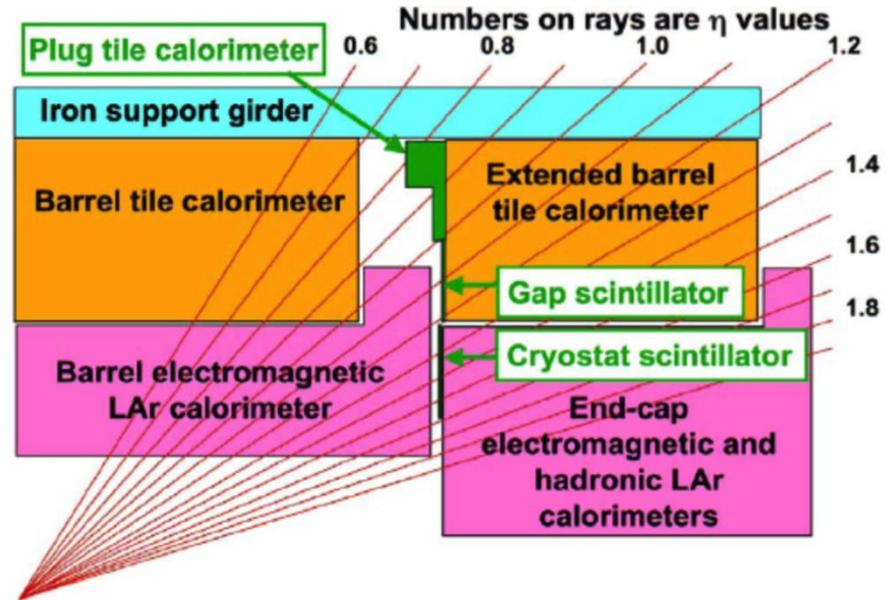
CMS



Homogenous ECAL based on scintillating Lead/Tungstate crystals.

HCAL: The hadron barrel (HB) and hadron endcap (HE) calorimeters are sampling calorimeters with 50 mm thick copper absorber plates interleaved with 4 mm thick scintillator sheets. Hadron Forward (HF) is a SS absorber and quartz fibers emitting Cherenkov light.

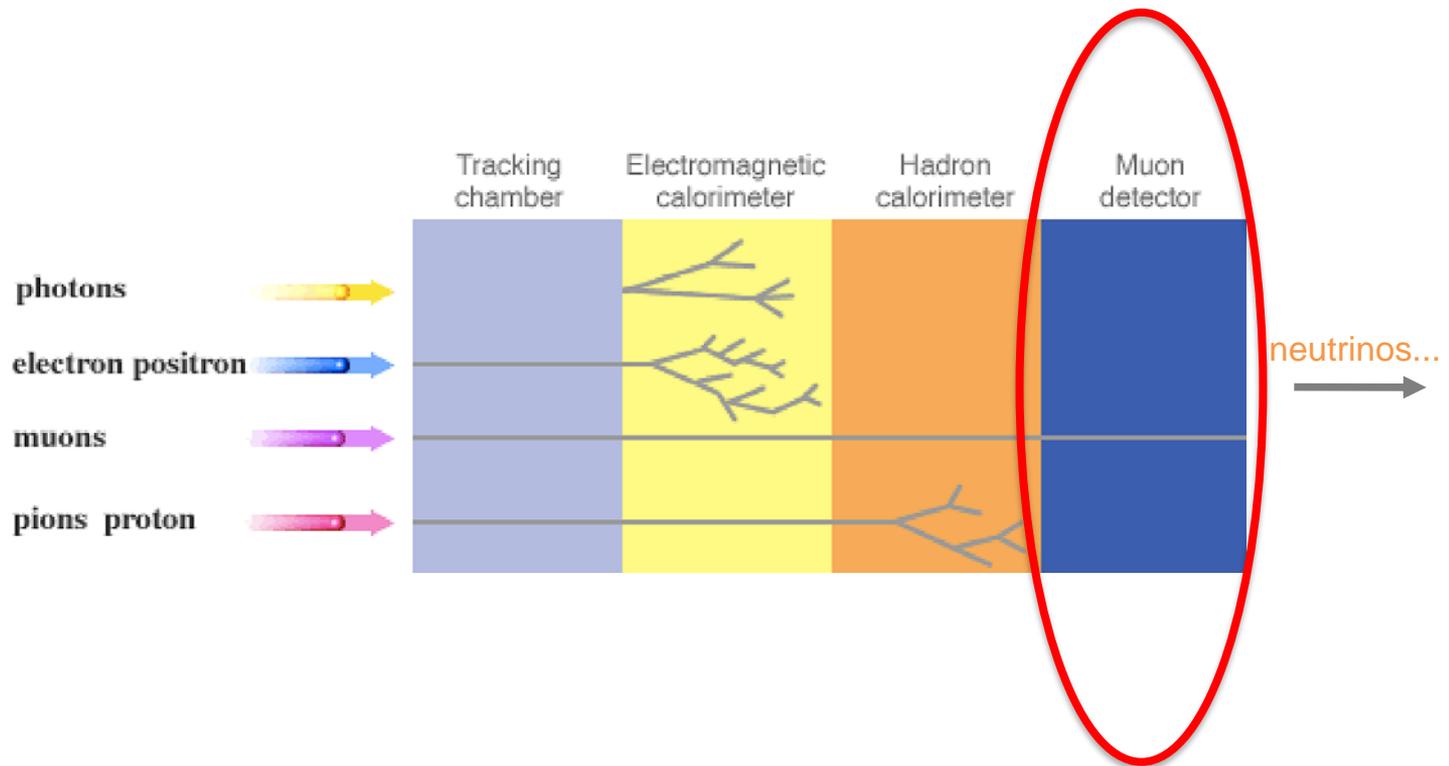
ATLAS



ECAL based on liquid argon sampling calorimeter; Lead absorber. In the forward regions (FCAL), used Cu rods.

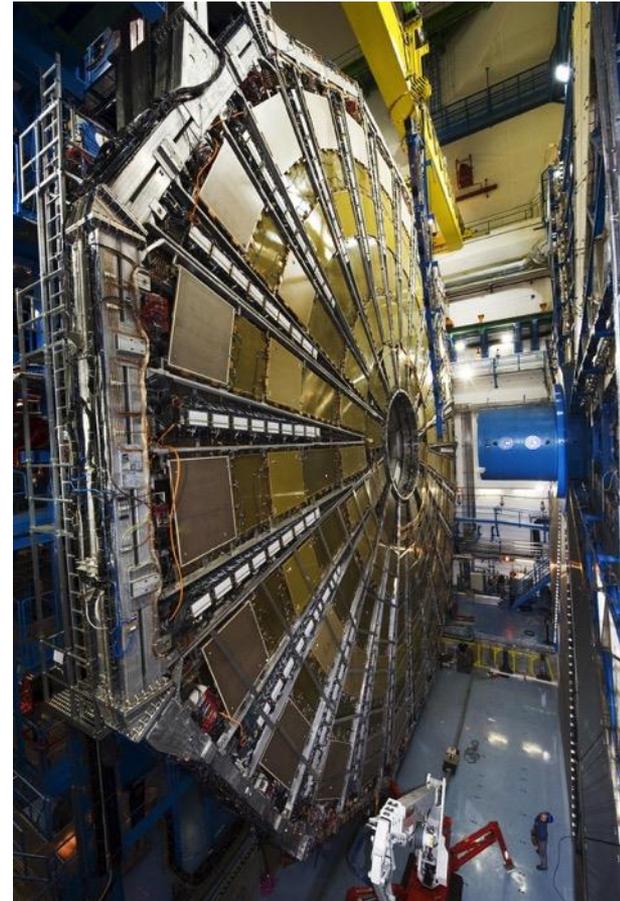
HCAL is a sampling calorimeter using iron as absorber material and scintillating tiles as active material. The HEC (End-Cap calo) is an LAr sampling calorimeter with Cu plate absorbers.

• Muon Systems •



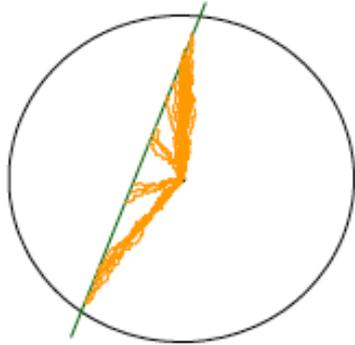
• Muon Systems •

- Function: **muon detection**; Muons are charged particles that are just like electrons and positrons, but 200 times heavier.
Because muons can penetrate several metres of iron without interacting, unlike most particles they are not stopped by calorimeters. Therefore, chambers to detect muons are **placed at the very edge of the experiment** where they are the only particles likely to register a signal.
- Detection principle: Ionization detectors (gas), similar to precision trackers but usually of lower spatial resolution.
- They are fast detectors and are part of the **Trigger system to select events**



**ATLAS, 12 000 m², 1.1 Mchannels
Alignment precision $< \pm 30$ mm**

• Time Resolution •



Cylindrical geometries have an important limitation:
Primary electrons have to drift close to the wire before
the charge multiplication starts

Limit in the time resolution $\sim 0.1\mu\text{s}$



In a parallel plate geometry the charge multiplication starts immediately because all the gas volume is active (uniform and very intense field). This results in much better time resolution ($\sim 1\text{ ns}$)

• Resistive Plate Chambers •

Developed in the 80s as an **affordable, robust, large area detector** with:

Fast timing: < 1 ns to ps for MRPC

Space resolution: ~mm

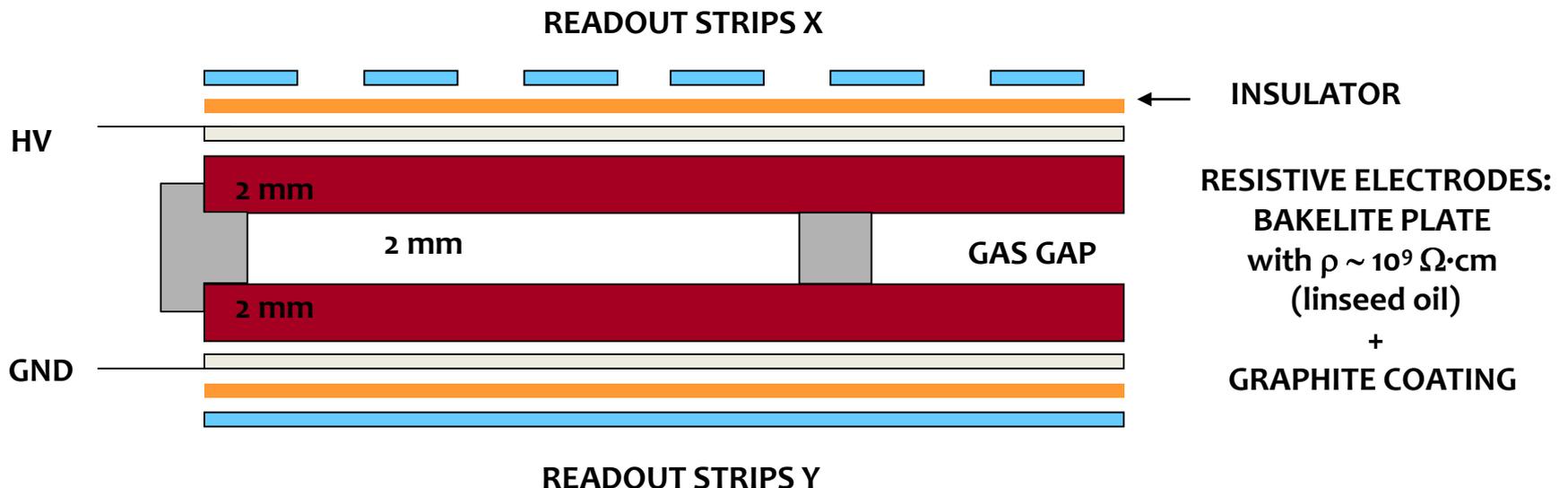
Rate capability: up to ~100 Hz/cm²

RPC developments for LHC

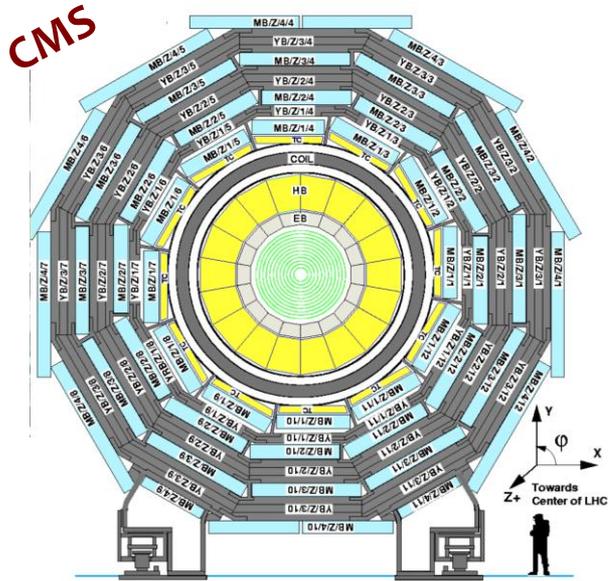
Large Area Coverage (> 5000 m²) – Industrialization

Increased Rate Capability (~kHz/cm²)

Large Background Radiation



• Muon Spectrometer •



DRIFT TUBES (DT)

Central coverage
Tracking (100 mm) & trigger

Traditional Technology

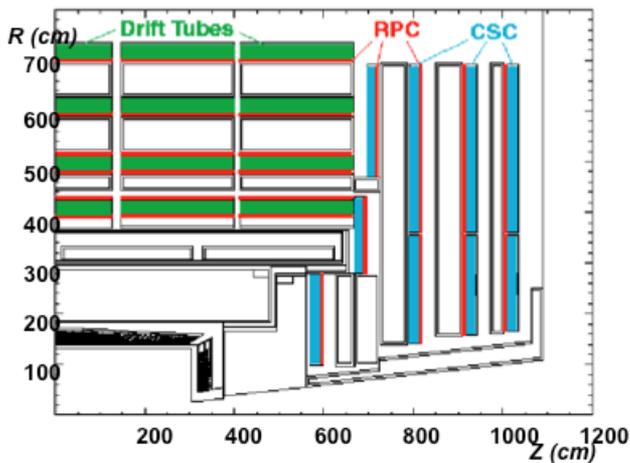
CATHODE STRIP CHAMBERS (CSC)

Forward coverage (6000 m²)
Tracking (1mm) & trigger
540 detectors, 0.5 MChannels

Designed to operate in intense magnetic field and neutron background ~1 kHz/cm²

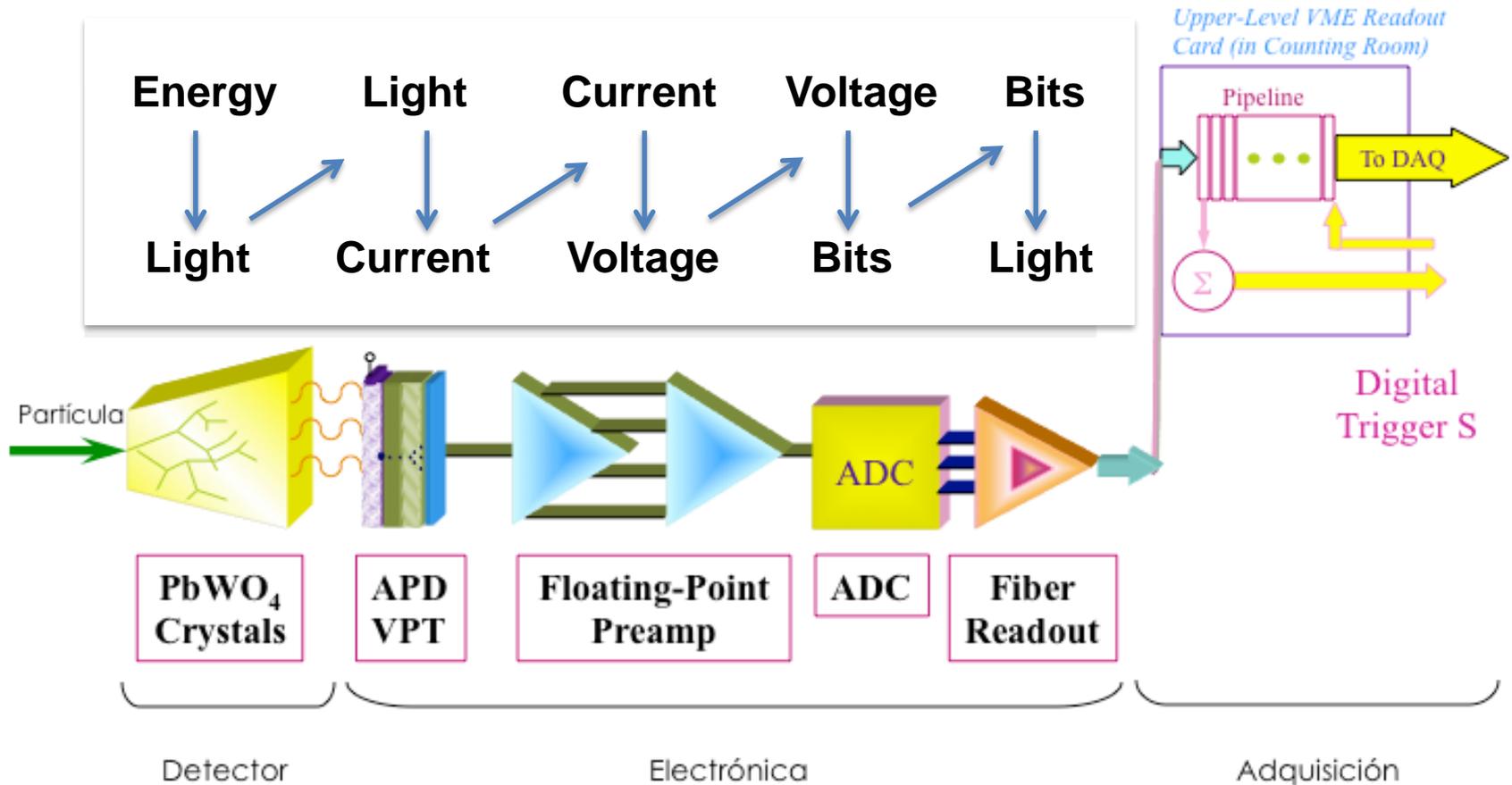
RESISTIVE PLATE CHAMBERS (RPC)

Central and forward coverage
Redundant Trigger (3 ns)
612 detectors





• Signals •



Data Acquisition, Storage, Distribution and Processing is as complex as the detector itself

- Large data production (\sim PB/sec) versus storage capability (\sim GB/sec) forces huge online selection
- 3 levels of triggers (first level fully electronics based)
- Data distribution for offline processing using GRID system

Trigger	Método	Entrada Sucesos/s	Salida Sucesos/s	Factor de reducción
Nivel 1	HW (\int , Calo)	$40\,000 \cdot 10^3$	$100 \cdot 10^3$	400
Nivel 2	SW (RoI, ID)	$100 \cdot 10^3$	$3 \cdot 10^3$	30
Nivel 3	SW	$3 \cdot 10^3$	$0.2 \cdot 10^3$	15



• HEP Detectors •

Last generation of HEP detectors are incredibly complex and state of the art pieces of technology

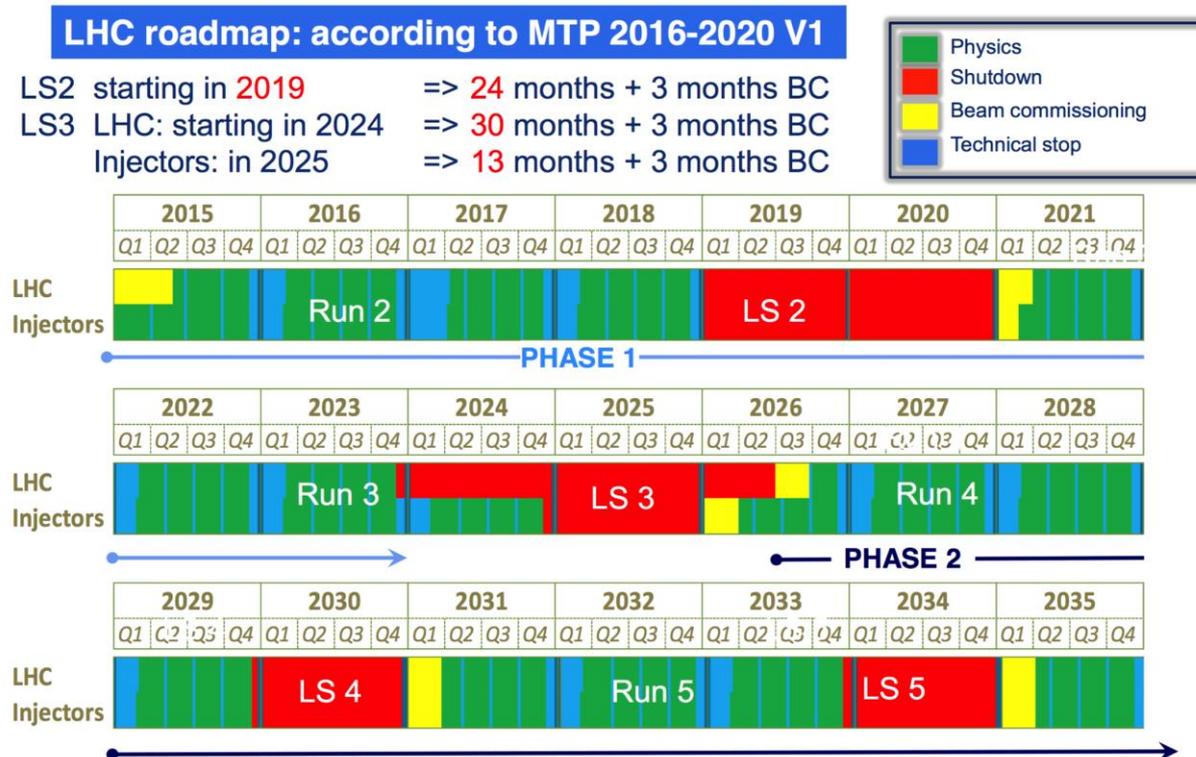
- Large use of (semiconductors/gas) radiation hard technology for trackers
- Calorimeters precise as never before
- Cryogenics for detectors and magnet systems
- Detector systems increased in size and complexity at least a factor 10
- The data flow and data processing is unprecedented
- Projects span over 3-4 decades, involving thousands of scientists

Experiment	Countries	Institutions	Scientists
ALICE	37	154	~1500
ATLAS	38	182	~ 3000
CMS	46	182	~ 3500
LHCb	16	69	~ 800

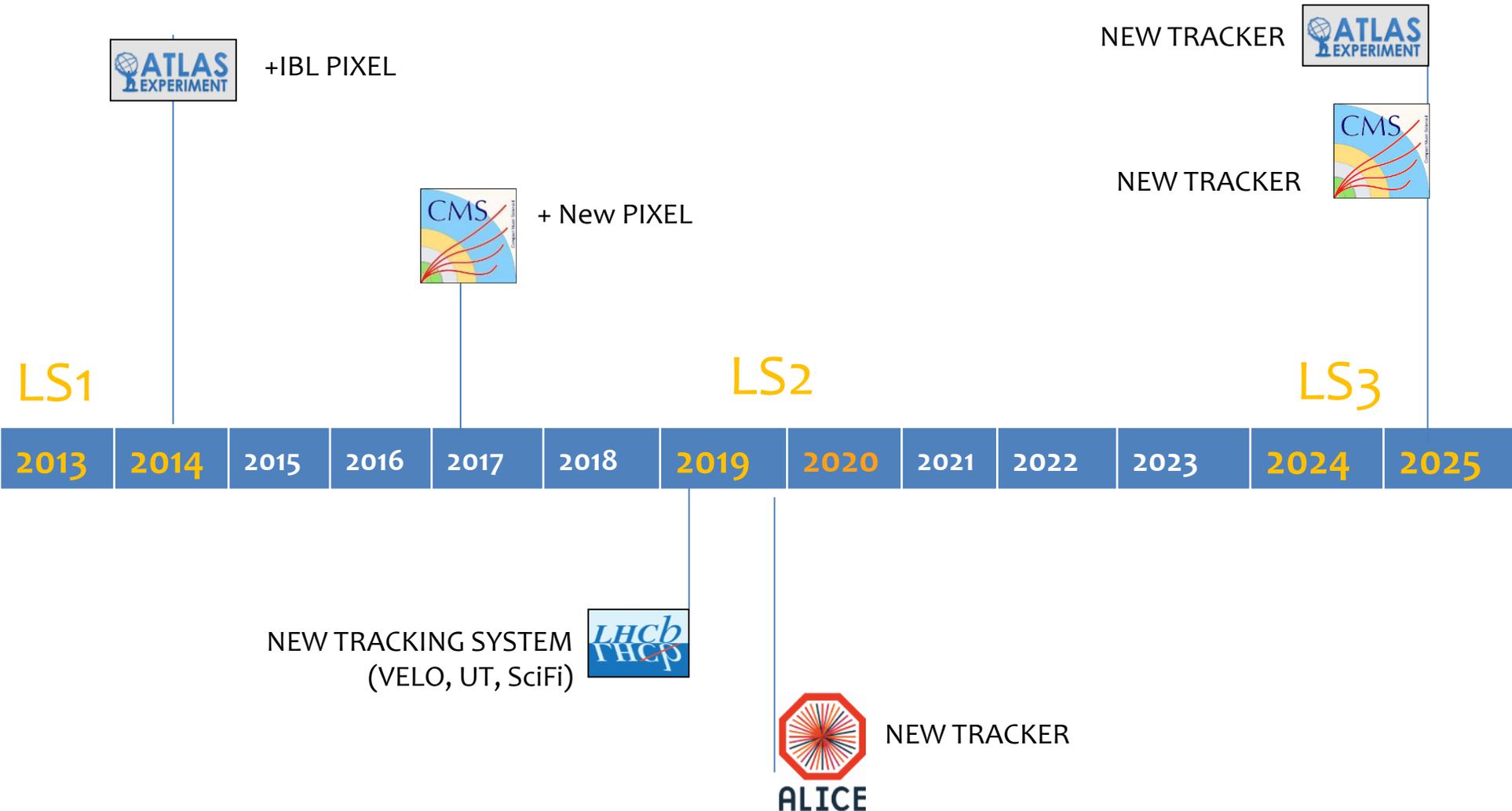
● Future ●

The discovery of the Higgs boson is the start of a major programme of work to measure this particle's properties with the highest possible precision for testing the validity of the Standard Model and to search for further new physics at the energy frontier

- **Must replace inoperable detector elements (rad damage)**
- **Must upgrade electronics to cope with increased rates**



• LHC Tracker Upgrades •

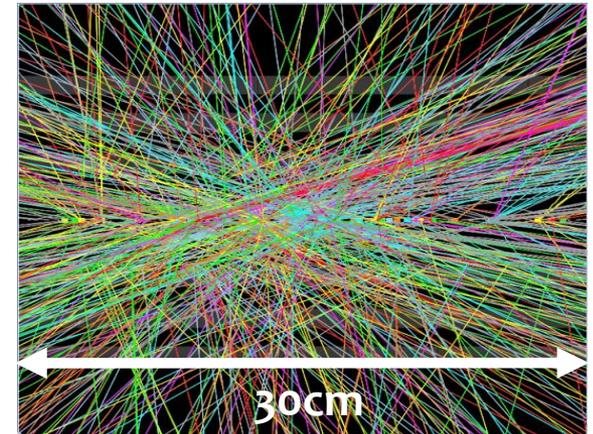


● Tracker Upgrades ●

Challenges for HL-LHC

- Maximum leveled instantaneous luminosity of $7.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$. Currently $\sim 1 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- 3,000 fb⁻¹ Integrated luminosity to ATLAS/CMS over ten years of operation
- 200 (mean number of) proton-proton interactions per bunch crossing. Design was 23, recently extended capability to > 50 pp interactions per bunch crossing
- Higher particle fluences: **increased radiation tolerance**
- Higher occupancies: **finer segmentation**
- Larger Area ($\sim 200 \text{ m}^2$ for strips and 16 m^2 for pixels): **cheaper sensors, ease of construction, distributed production**
- Low noise and power

	Silicon Area (m ²)	MChannels
Pixel	8.2	638
Strip	193	74



• Detector Upgrades •

- **Calorimeters R&D Efforts**, towards rad tolerant systems
 - Rad-tolerant crystal scintillators (LYSO, YSO, Cerium Fluoride), WLS fibres in quartz capillaries, rad-tolerant photo-detectors (e.g. GaInP), change layout of tile calorimeter using WLS fibres within scintillator to shorten the light path length, High granularity Particle flow / Imaging Gas Calorimetry (CALICE)...
 - *Electronics upgrades*: On-detector front-end electronics with sufficient resolution and large dynamic range
- **Muon systems R&D Efforts**
 - Improved rate capability and timing, using novel detector technologies (e.g. MPGD)
- **Electronics**
 - Development of new front-end chips to cope with increased channel densities, develop high density interconnects, optimize power distribution, develop High speed links (≥ 10 Gbps)
- **Trigger/DAQ/Offline computing**
 - New trigger strategies, processing, networks, storage, CPU, CLOUD-computing...

• Diverse R&D •

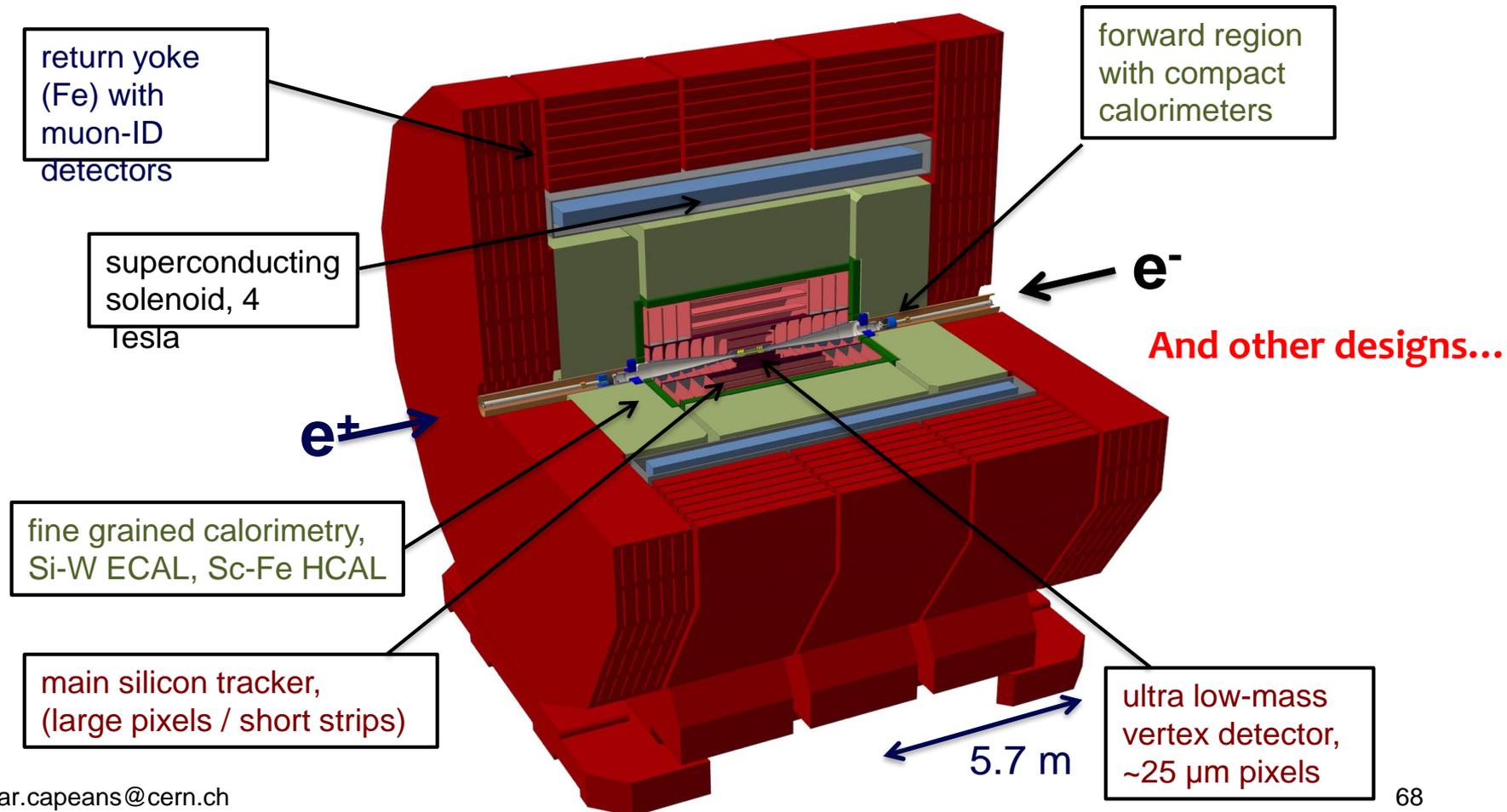
Driven by Study Projects

- **LCD**  
 - The Linear Collider Detector focuses on physics and detector studies for a future e+e- collider at the TeV-scale
- **FCC** 
 - The Future Circular Collider Study explores different designs of circular colliders (100 TeV) for the post-LHC era
- **Neutrino Platform**
 - Fundamental research in neutrino physics at particle accelerators worldwide

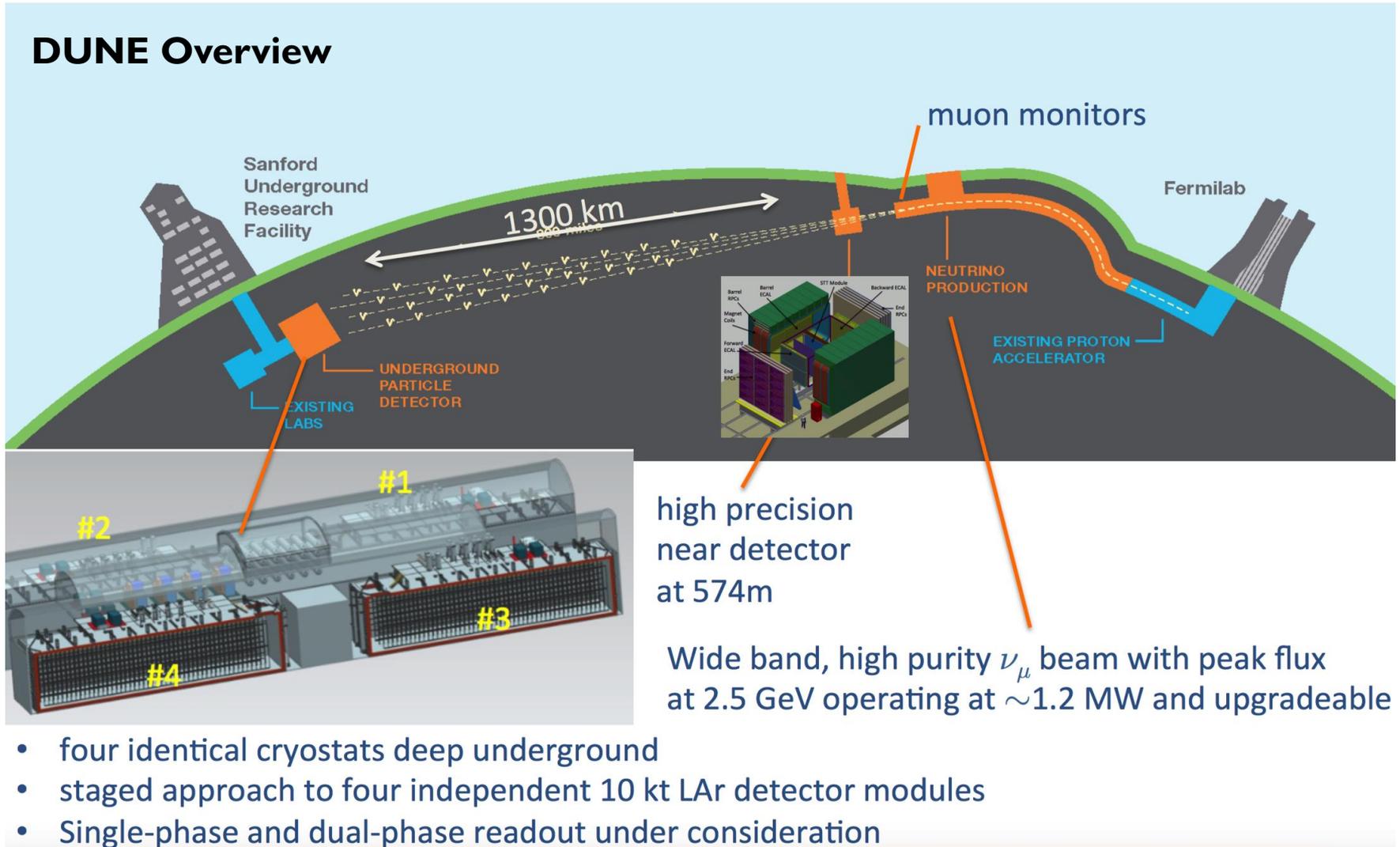
• CLIC Detector •

LHC: high rates of QCD backgrounds, need of complex triggers and high levels of radiation.

Linear colliders imply collisions e^+e^- that are pointlike, with initial state well-defined and therefore with a clean experimental environment: possible trigger-less readout, and most important, low radiation levels. **Makes it easier to use new technologies.**

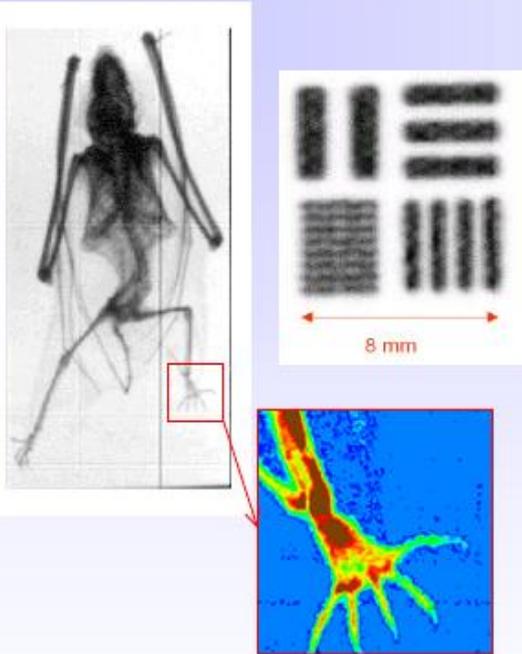


• Neutrino Detectors •



• Other Fields of Application •

Radiography with GEM (X-rays)



Fast and Thermo Neutron Detection

Non-destructive diagnostic, Biology, Nuclear plants, ...

Xray Low Energy

Radioactive waste...

Pixelated GEMs

Microdosimetry, Direct measurements with real tissue, Radon monitors....

Gamma High Fluxes

Radiotherapy...

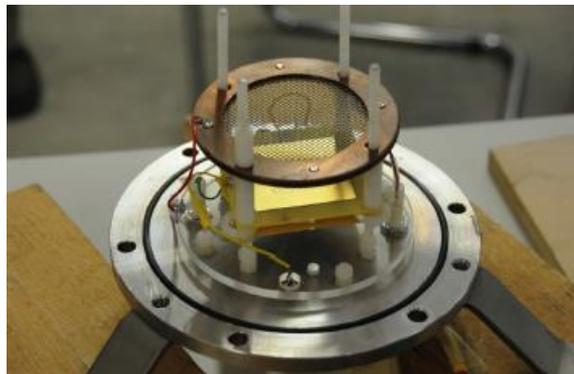
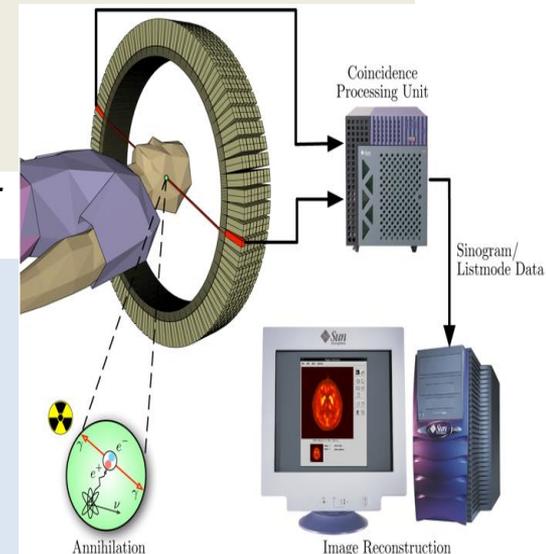
High Intensity Beam Monitors

Hadrontherapy, Ions beam monitoring...

Highly sensitive GEM-based UV
flame and smoke detector

*RETGEM-based detectors are able to
reliably detect a 1.5 m³ fire at a ~1 km
distance*

Ref. <http://arxiv.org/pdf/0909.2480.pdf>



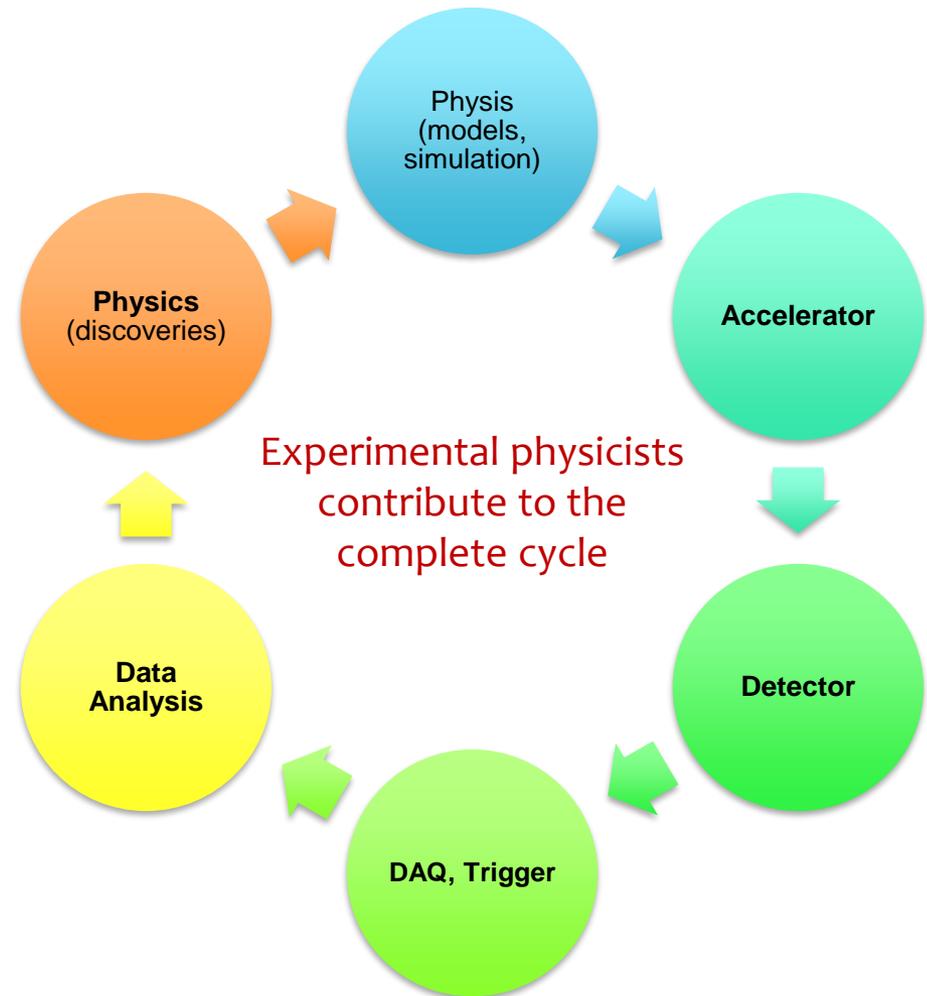
• Message for your students •

Experimental testing is the key to discover and advance knowledge.

New directions in science are launched by new improved tools much more often than by new concepts.

There is a very close relationship between physics discoveries and developments in instrumentation: Accelerators, Detectors, Electronics and Computing

Development of integrated designs is carried out in close collaboration with physicists, microelectronics experts, mechanical/thermal engineers, material/micro/nano technology scientists...



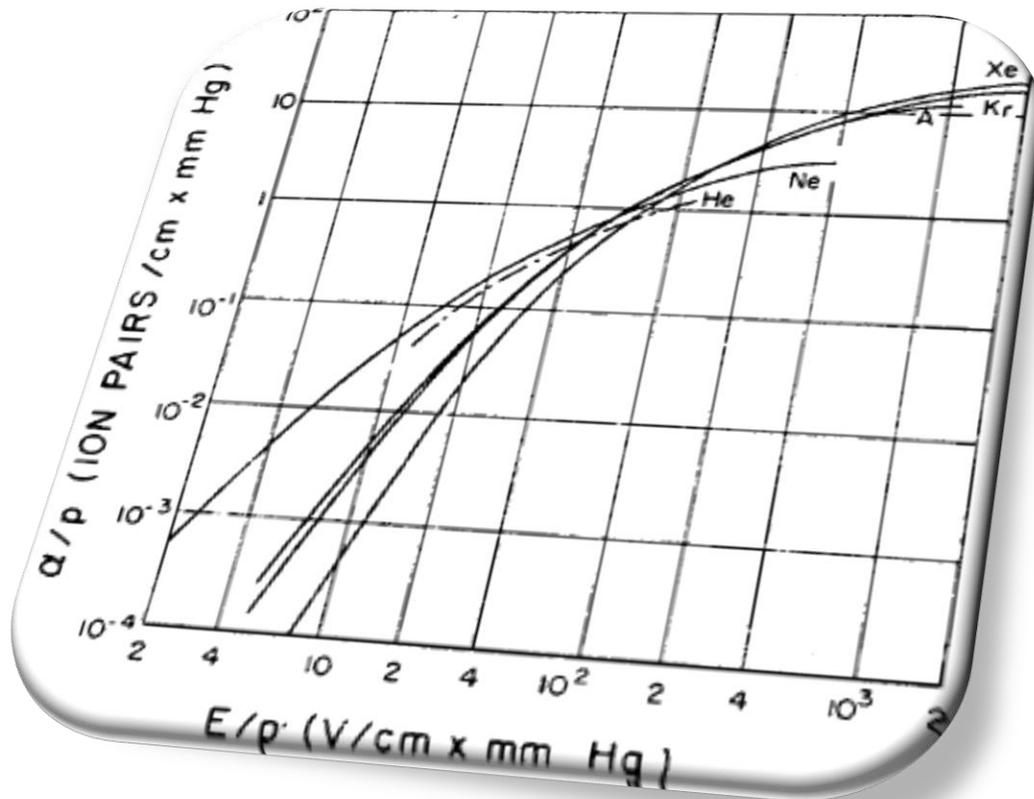
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Spare Slides

• Noble Gases •



Noble gases require the lowest electric field for formation of avalanches

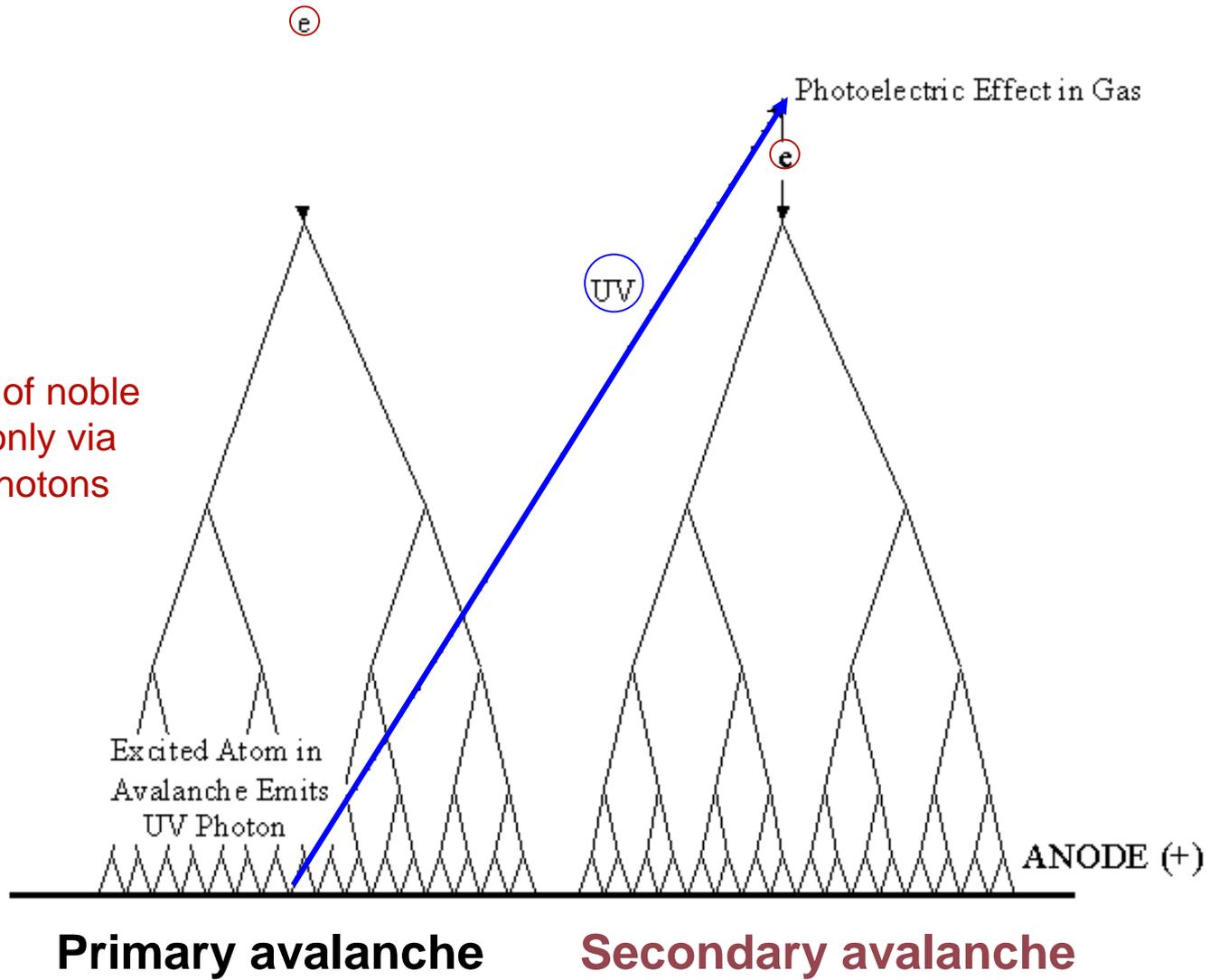
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18	□ Ar 39,98 Argon
36	□ Kr 83,80 Krypton
54	□ Xe 131,29 Xenon
86	□ Rn (222,02) Radon

Light

Abundant
Inert
Cheap

Expensive

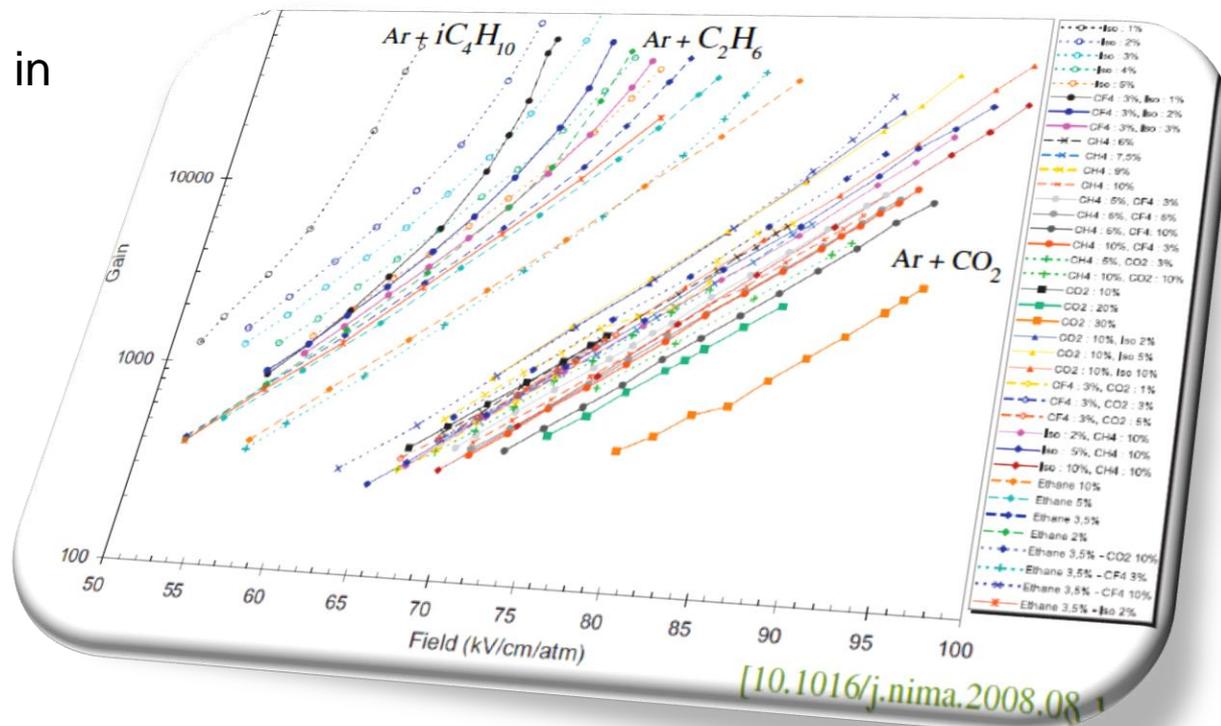
De-excitation of noble gases occur only via emission of photons



• Quencher Gases •

A **polyatomic gas** acts as a **QUENCHER**, i.e., absorbs photons in a large energy range due to the large amount of non-radiative excited states (rotational and vibrational)

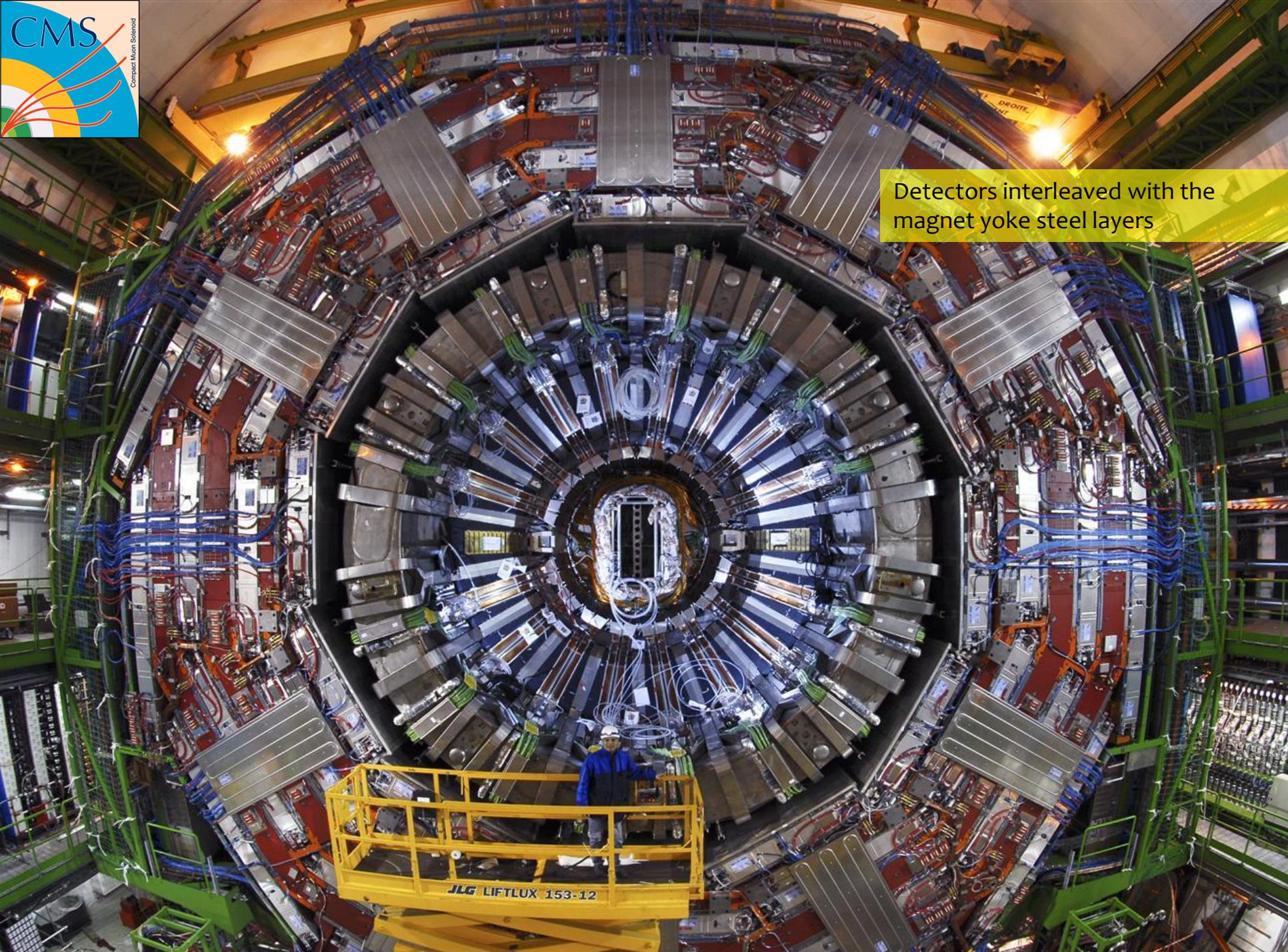
- Most organic compounds in the **HC** and **-OH** families. The quenching efficiency increases with the nb of atoms in the molecule
- Freons, BF_3
- CO_2 : non flammable, non polymerizing, easily available

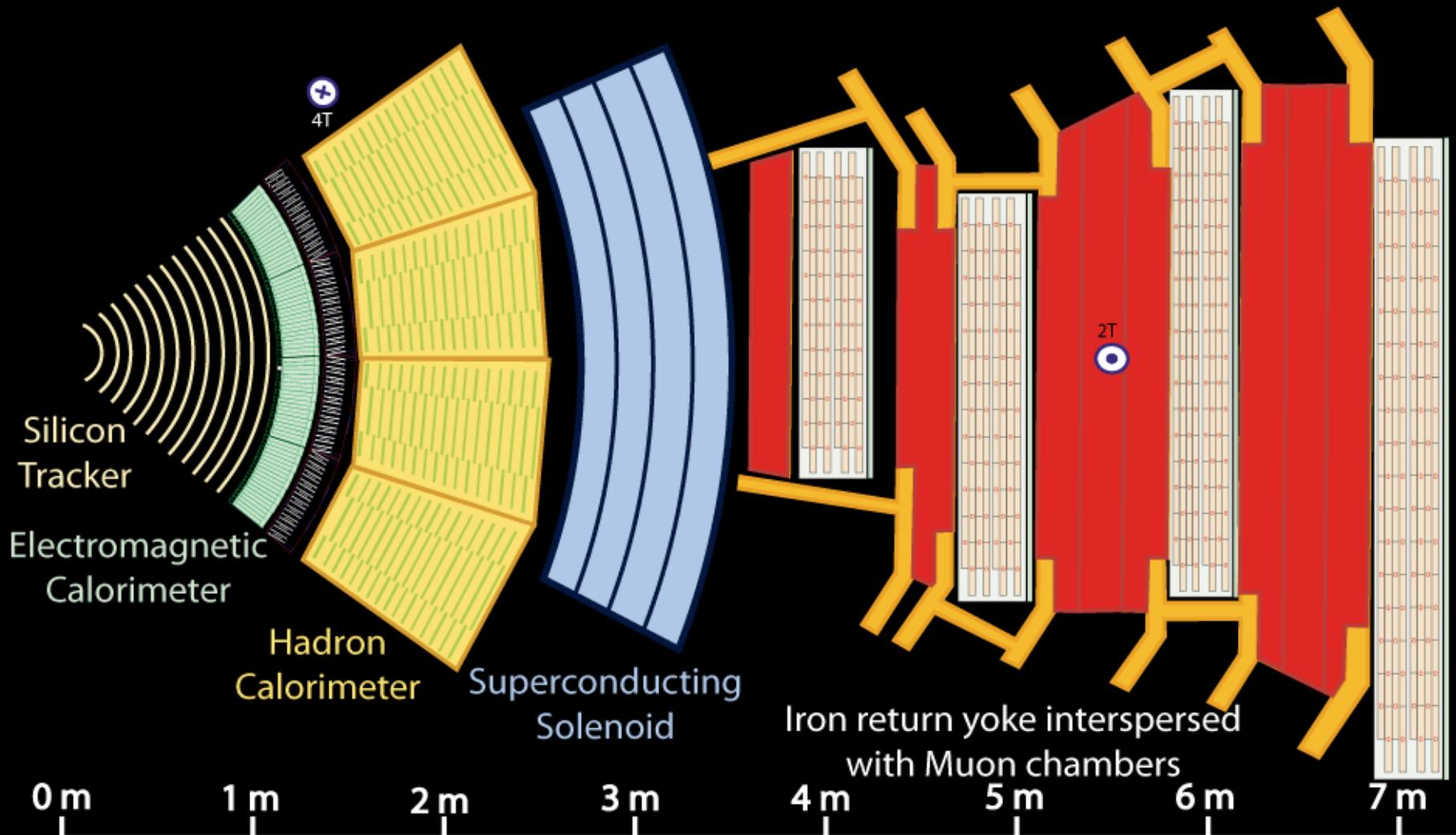


• Gas in LHC detectors •

Experiment	Sub- Detector	Gas Mixture
ALICE	TPC, TRD, PMD	
ATLAS	CSC, MDT, TRT	
CMS	DT	Noble Gas + CO₂
LHCb	OT straws	
TOTEM	GEM, CSC	
LHCb	MWPC, GEM	
CMS	CSC	Ar – CO₂ – CF₄
ATLAS, CMS, ALICE	RPC	C ₂ H ₂ F ₄ - iC ₄ H ₁₀ - SF ₆
ATLAS	TGC	CO ₂ – n-pentane
LHCb	RICH	CF ₄ or C ₄ F ₁₀

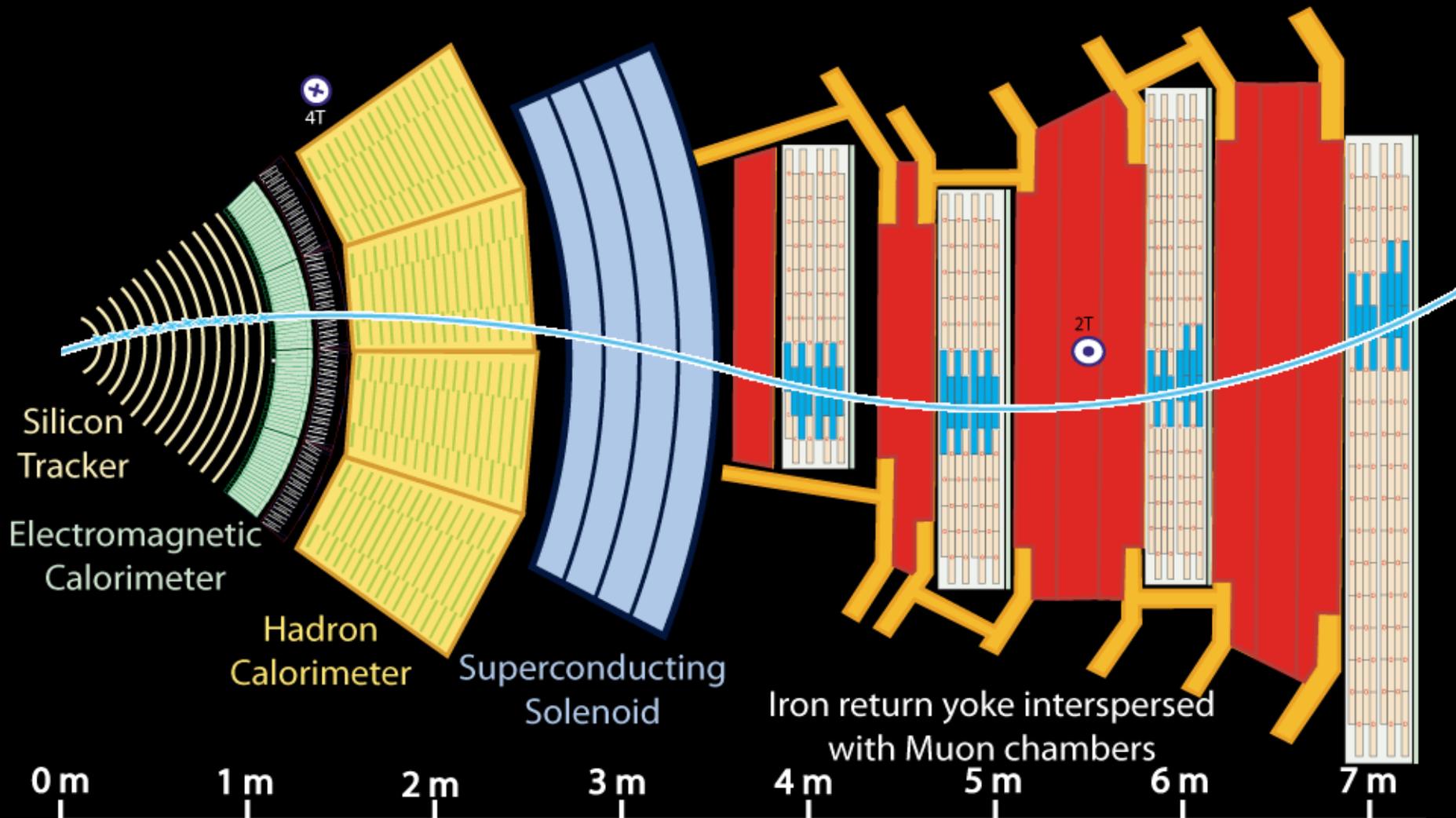
Detectors interleaved with the magnet yoke steel layers





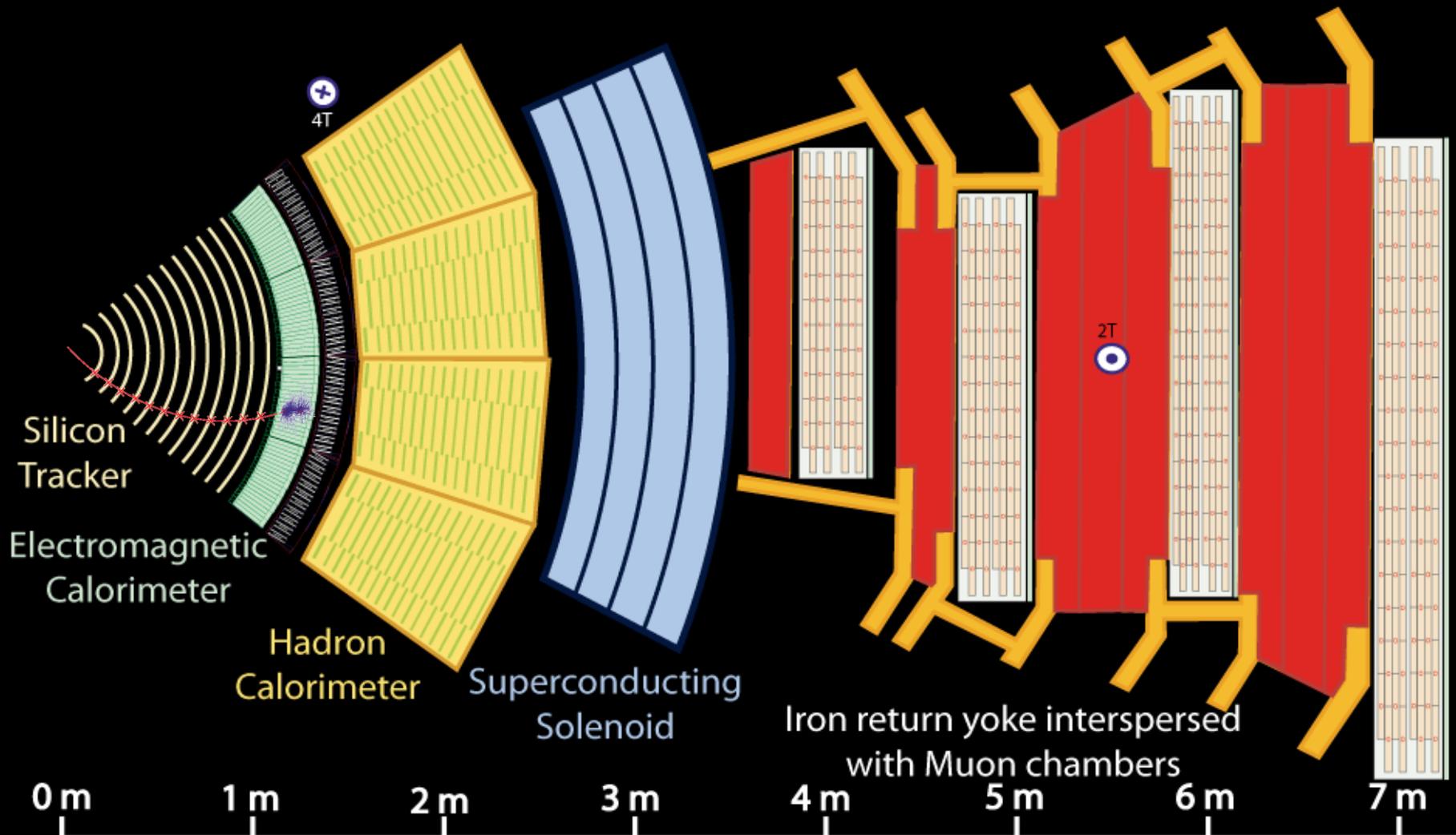
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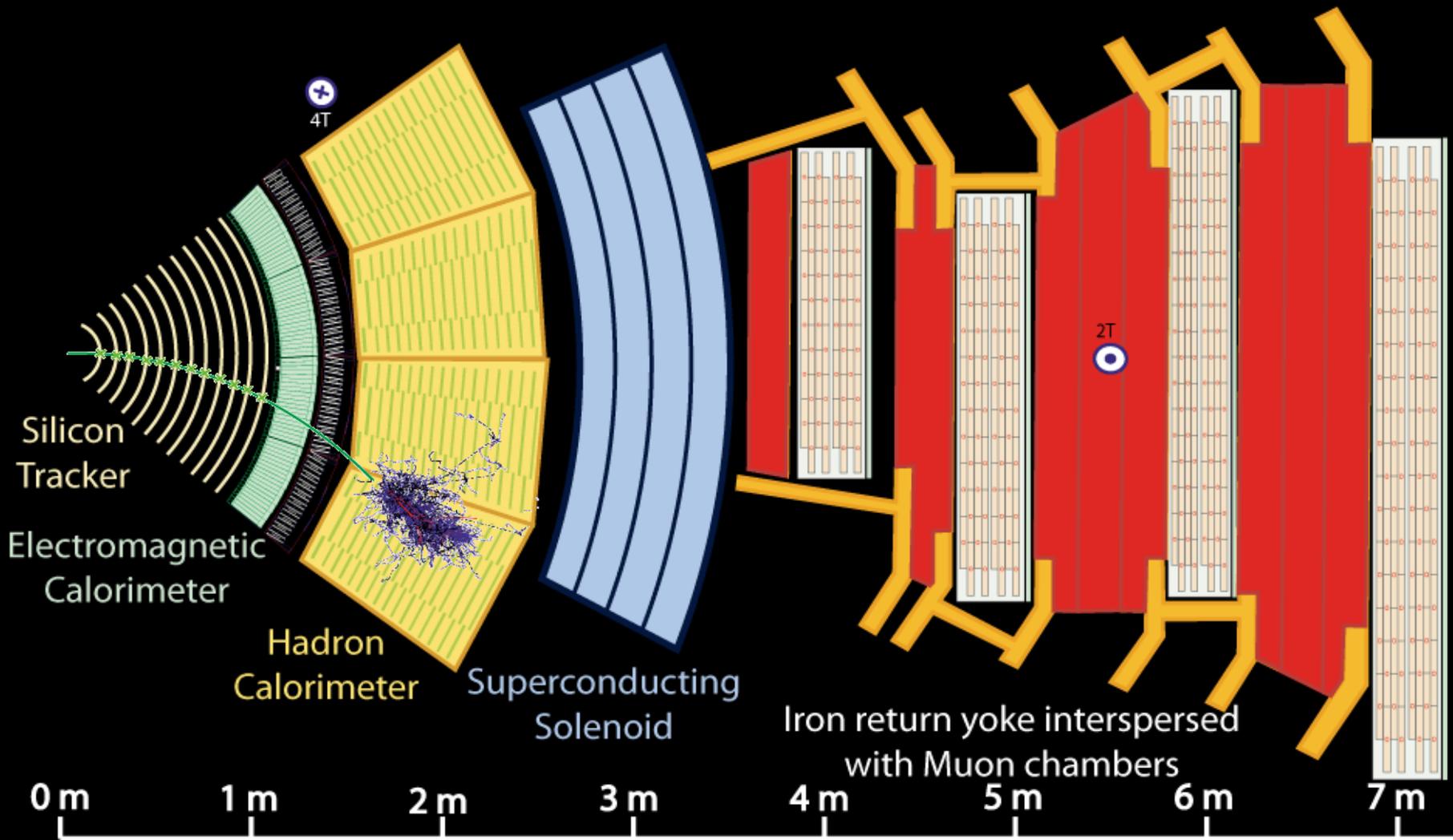
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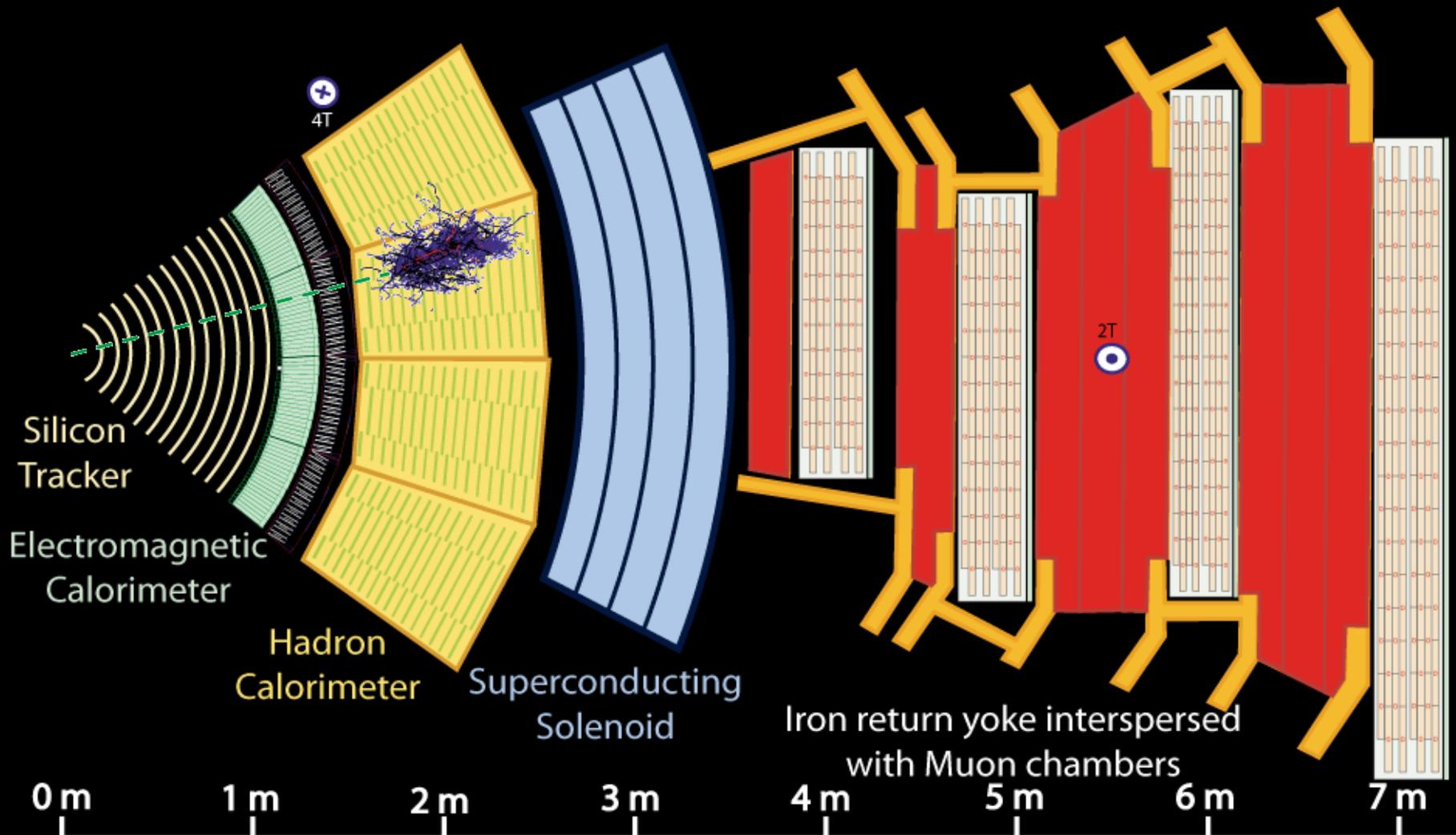
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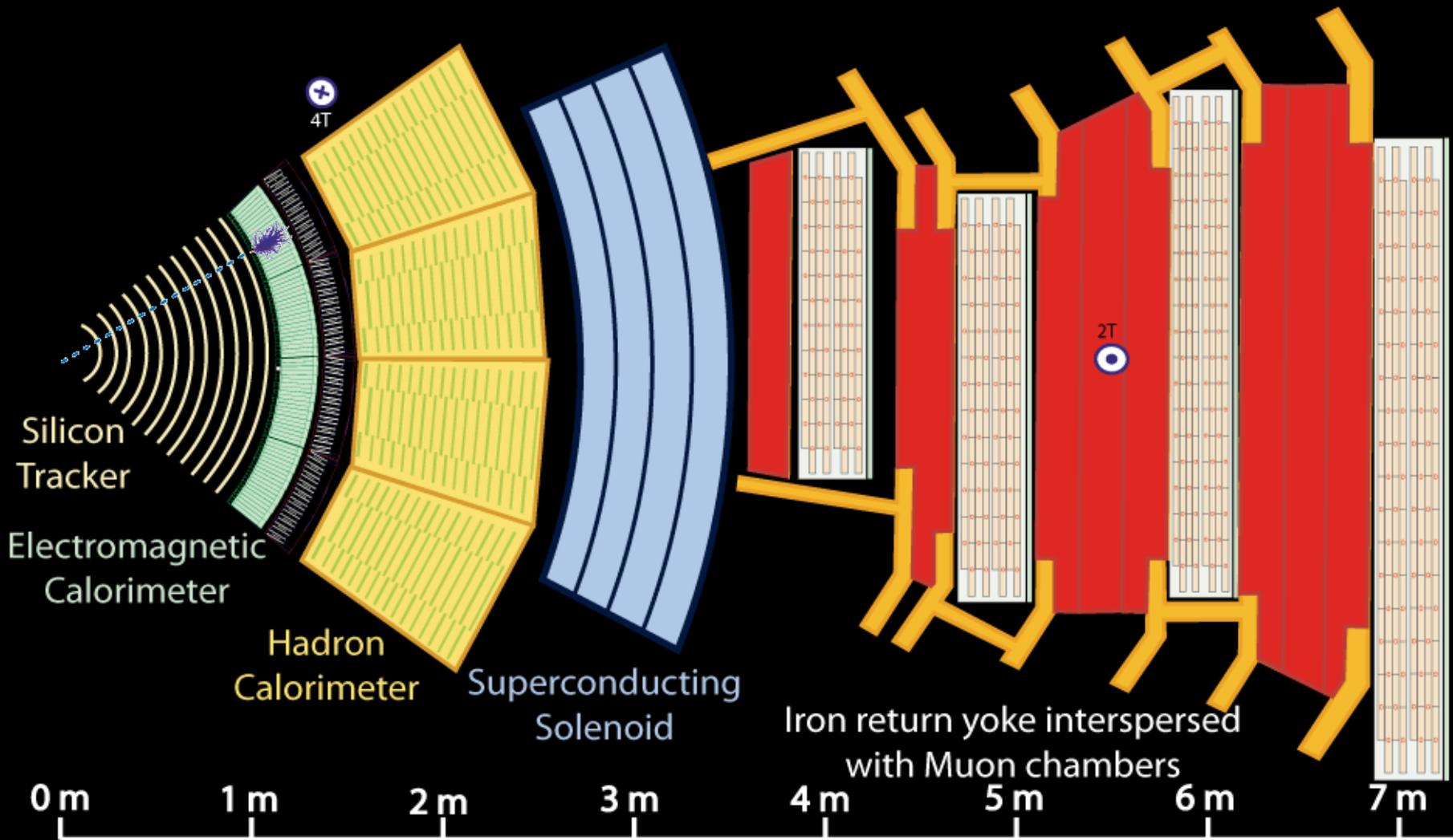
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• Distributed/Collaborative Projects •

Example, the ATLAS Transition Radiation Tracker (*non-exhaustive list!*)

