

Group 3 - Particle Detectors



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Just as hunters can identify animals from tracks in mud or snow, physicists identify subatomic particles from the traces they leave in detectors.

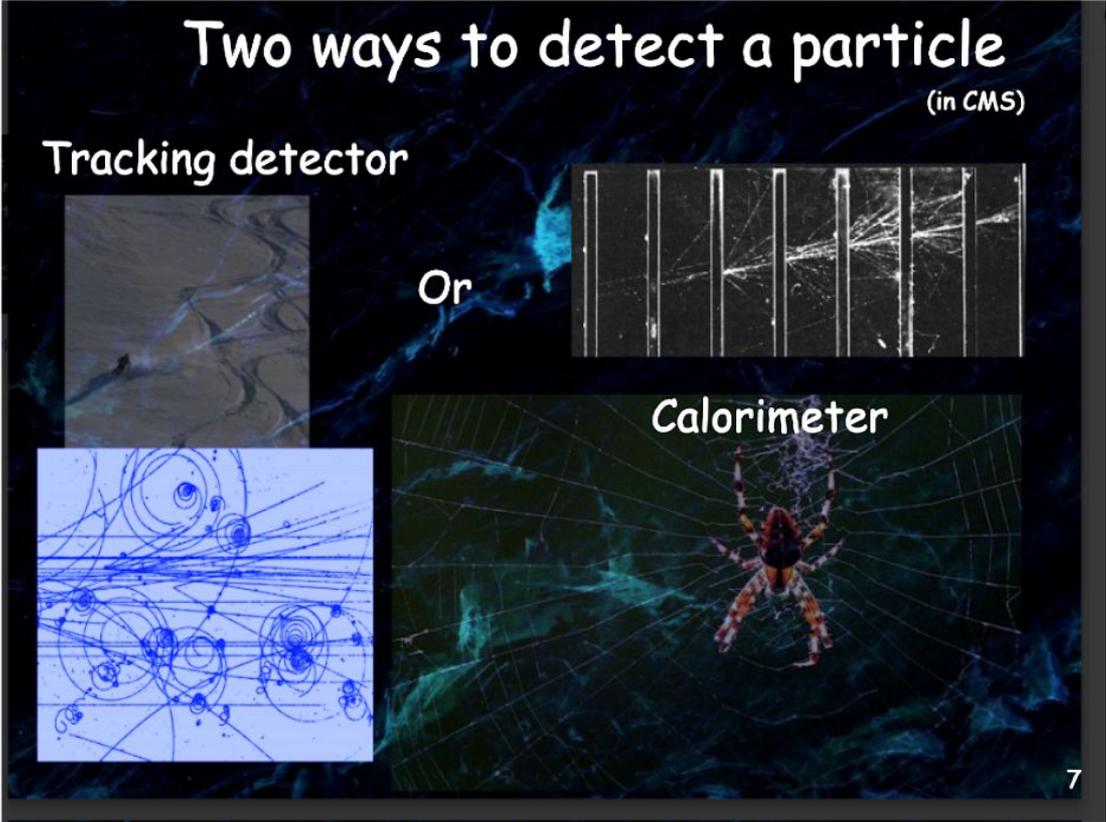
Two ways to detect a particle

(in CMS)

Tracking detector

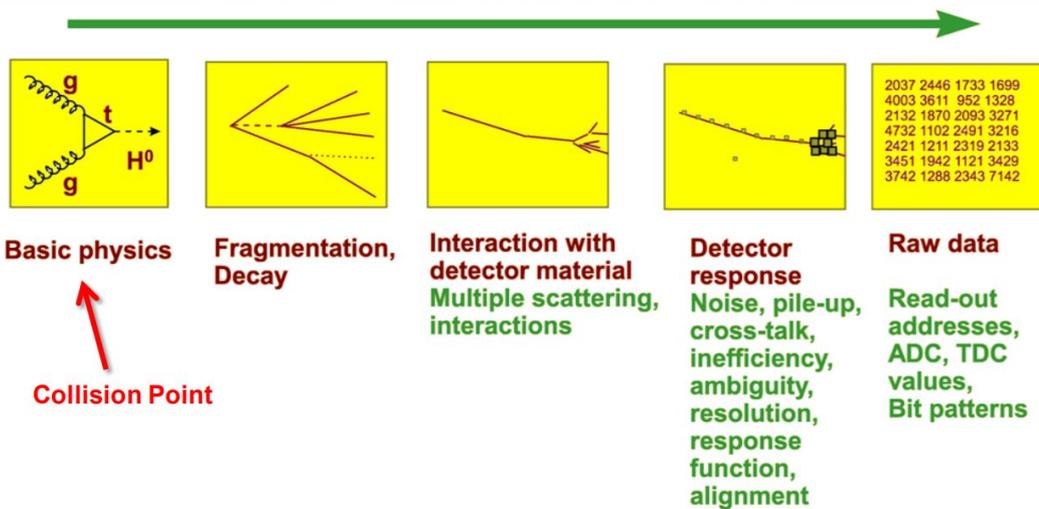
Or

Calorimeter



The image is a composite graphic with a dark blue, abstract, swirling background. At the top, the title "Two ways to detect a particle" is written in white, with "(in CMS)" in smaller text to its right. Below the title, the text "Tracking detector" is on the left and "Or" is in the center. To the right of "Or" is a rectangular image showing several vertical white lines on a black background, with a network of white lines connecting them, representing particle tracks. Below "Tracking detector" is a square image showing a complex network of blue lines and circles on a light blue background, representing a particle detector visualization. Below "Or" is a square image showing a spider on a web, with the word "Calorimeter" written above it in white. The number "7" is in the bottom right corner of the graphic.

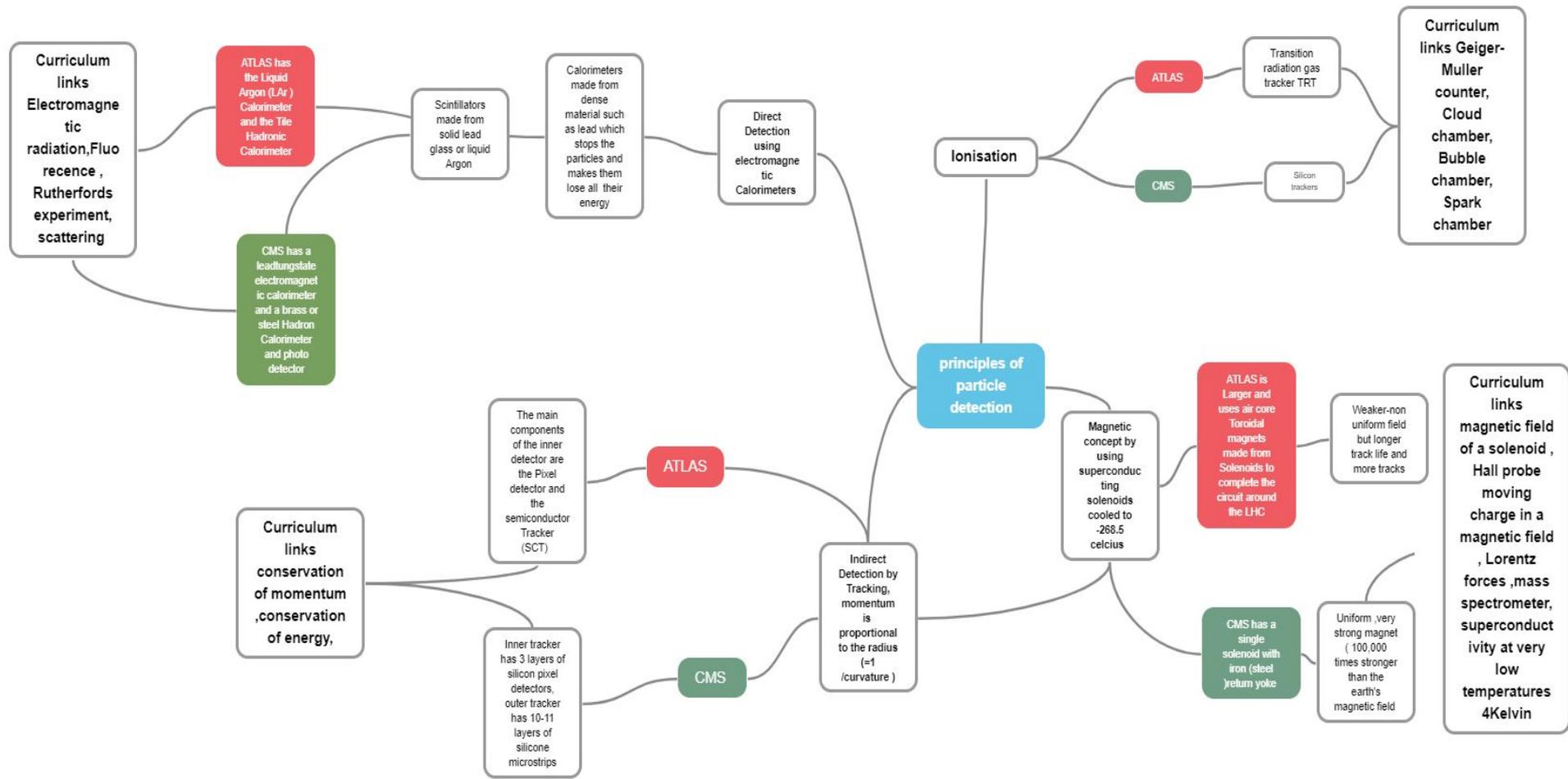
From Physics to Raw Data



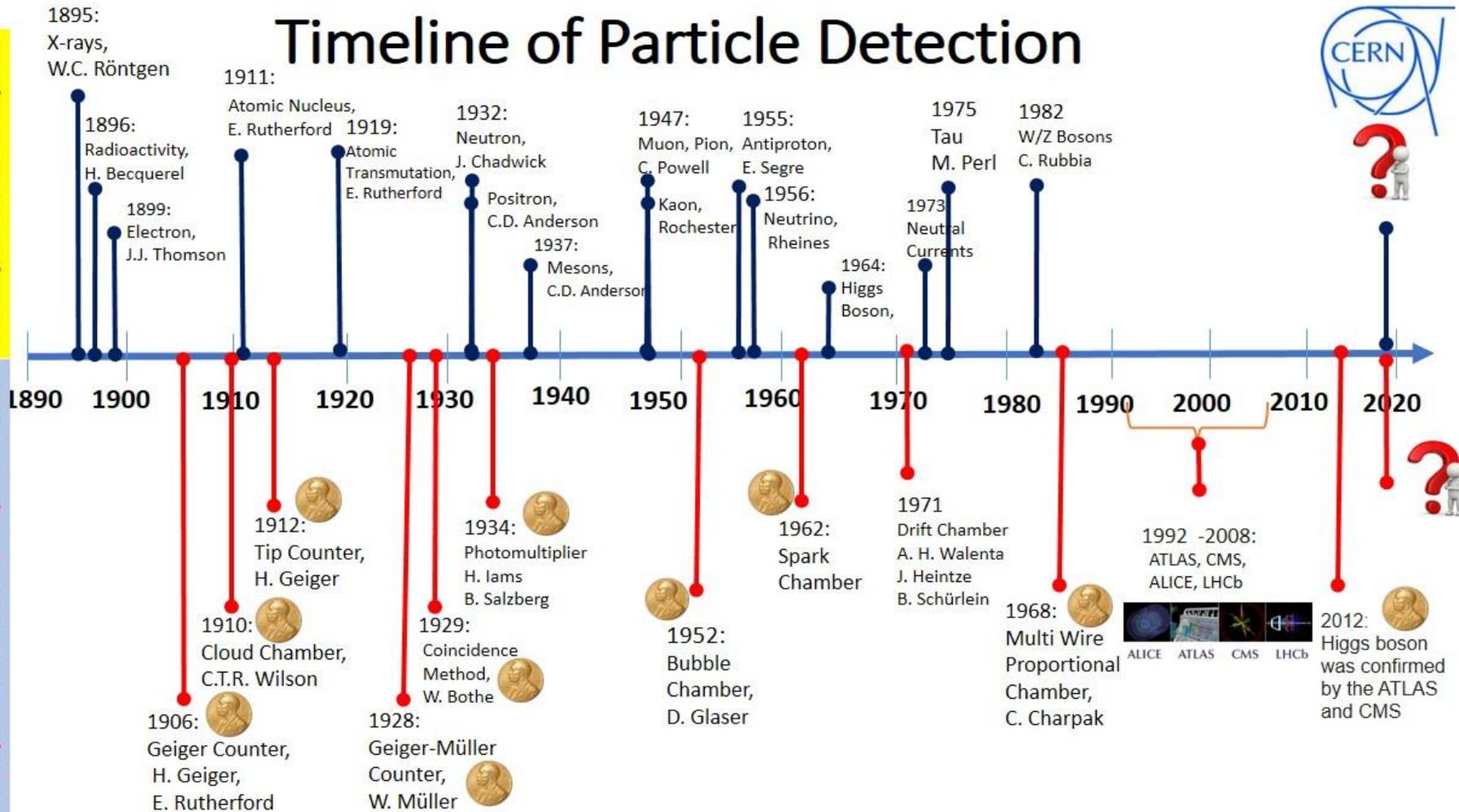
● Actually recorded are **raw data with ~1 GB/s for ATLAS/CMS**

⇒ mainly electronics numbers

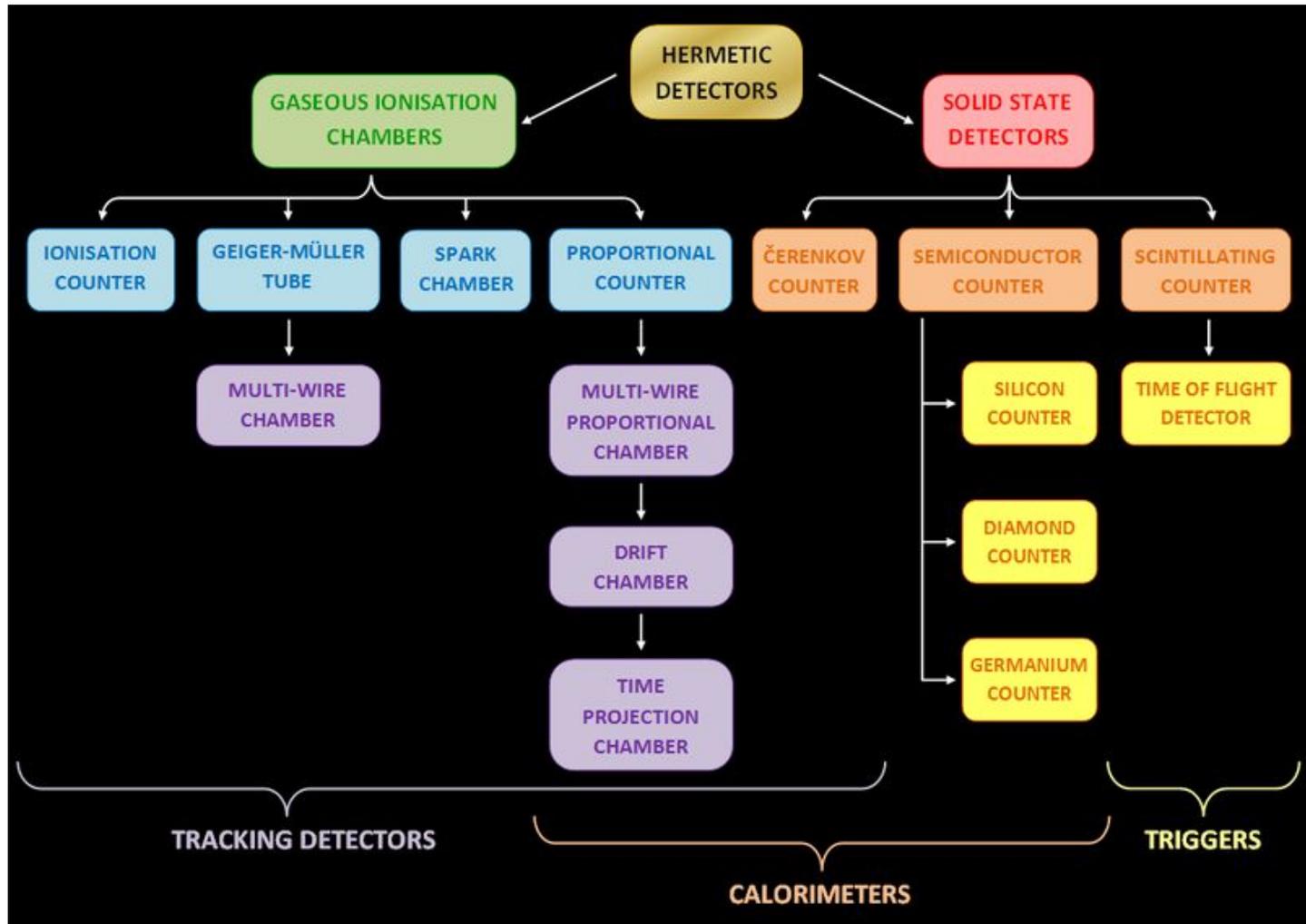
- e.g. number of a detector element where the ADC (Analog-to-Digital converter) saw a signal with x counts...



Timeline of Particle Detection



The detector zoo



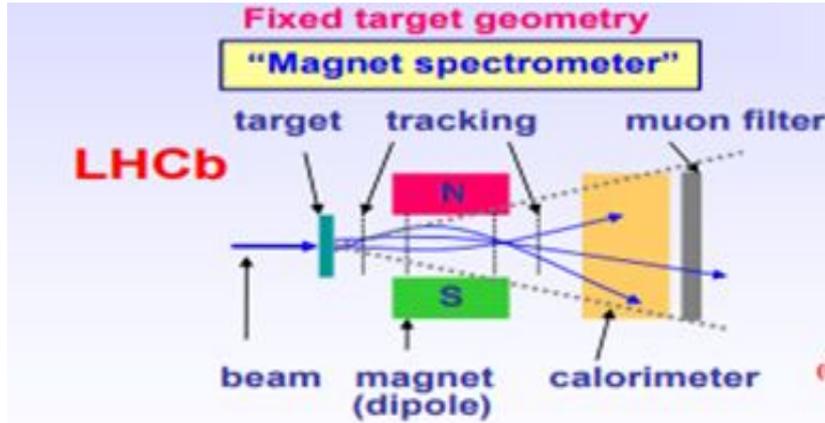
Basic principles of particle detection

The information obtained on a particle like speed, mass, and electric charge help physicists to work out the identity of a particle. The detectors are made up of strong magnetic field (4T) with operating temperature of about 4K and an electric current of 20KA for bending the highly energetic particles, The detectors like CMS have 3 main types of sub-detector. [Tracking device](#), [Calorimeters](#) and [Particle identification detector](#).

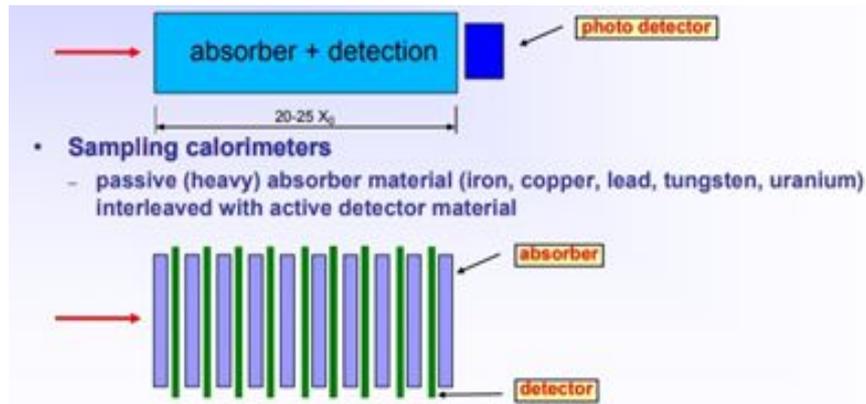
A particle normally travels in a straight line, but in the presence of a magnetic field around the particle detector, its path is bent into a curve, the curvature of the path helps to calculate the momentum and hence identify its type. Particles with very high momentum travel in almost straight lines, whereas those with low momentum move forward in tight spirals inside the detector.

Tracking devices

In [particle physics](#), **tracking** is the process of reconstructing the trajectory (or **track**) of electrically charged particles in a [particle detector](#) known as a **tracker**. Tracking devices reveal the paths of electrically charged particles through the trails they leave behind/ as they pass through, the modern tracking devices do not make the tracks of particles directly visible. Instead, they produce tiny electrical signals that a computer program can reconstruct the patterns of tracks recorded by the detector, and displays them on a screen. The tracker has layers made up of silicon



Calorimeters and Particle identification detectors



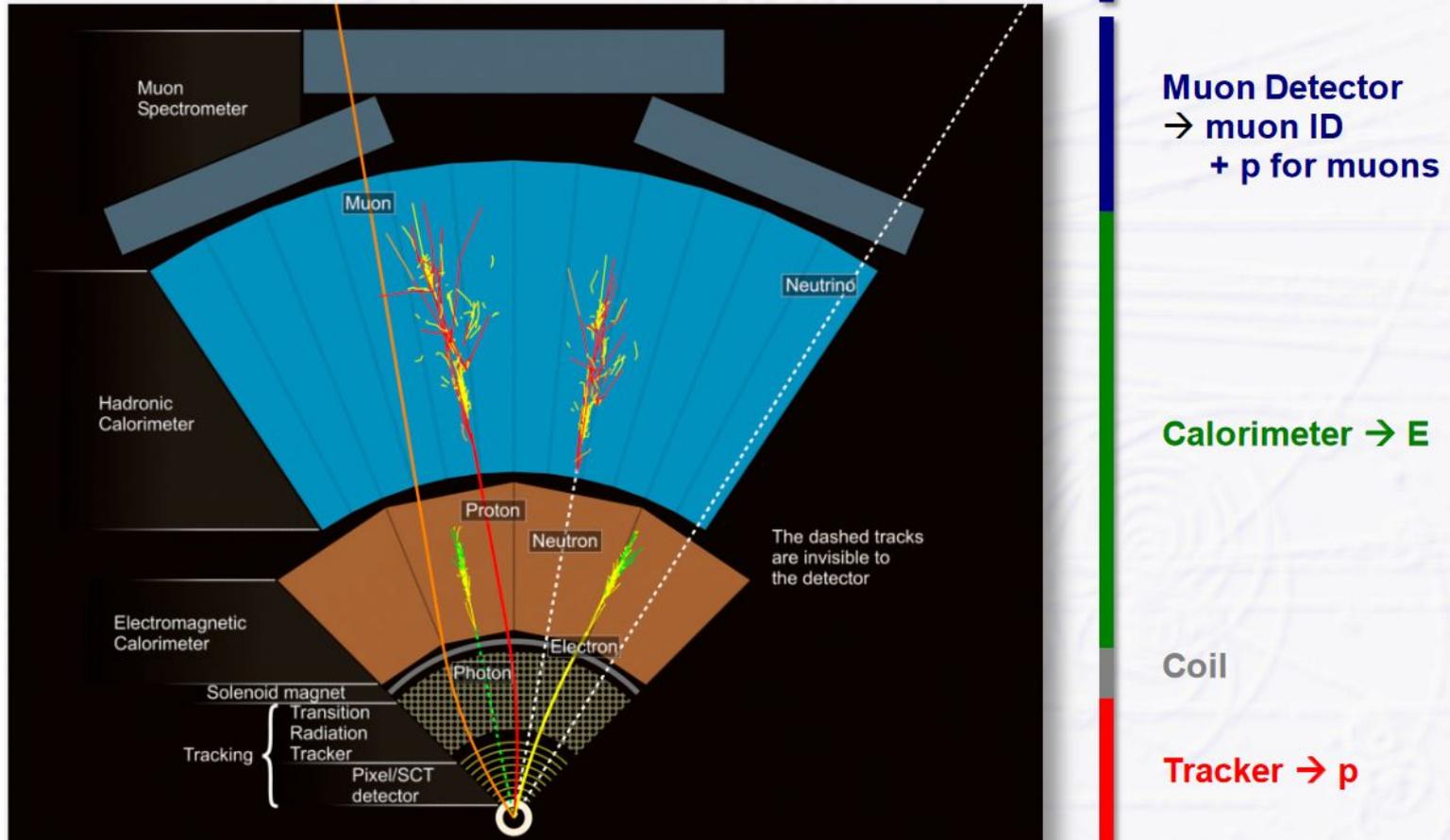
A **calorimeter** measures the energy of a particle by stopping or absorbing its energy. The particles are forced to deposit all of their energy within the detector. Calorimeters consist of layers of “passive” (heavy) or “absorbing” material, e.g. iron, copper, tungsten, lead – interleaved with layers of an “active” medium such as solid lead-glass or liquid argon. Calorimeters such as Electromagnetic calorimeters (**ECAL**), measure the energy of light particles like electrons and photons as they interact with the electrically charged particles in matter while Hadronic calorimeters (**HCAL**), sample the energy of hadrons (particles containing quarks, such as protons and neutrons) as they interact with atomic nuclei.

Calorimeters can stop most known particles except muons and neutrinos, muons interact very little with matter – it can travel through metres of dense material before it is stopped. For this reason, muon chambers – tracking devices are specialized to be the outermost layer of a detector.

Particle-identification detectors: Once a particle has passed through the tracking devices and the calorimeters, the next task is to identify it. The method works by detecting radiation emitted by charged particles. This is done through:-

- Cherenkov radiation: this is light emitted when a charged particle travels faster than the speed of light through a given medium. The light is given off at a specific angle according to the velocity of the particle. Combined with a measurement of the momentum of the particle, the velocity can be used to determine the mass and hence to identify the particle.
- Transition radiation: this radiation is produced by a fast charged particle as it crosses the boundary between two electrical insulators with different resistances to electric currents. The phenomenon is related to the energy of a particle and distinguishes different particle types.

Particle identification detector

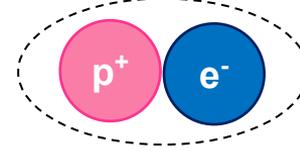
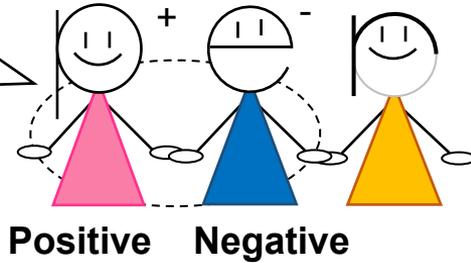


Activities: Ionisation - Game

Room

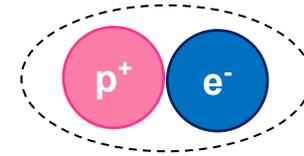
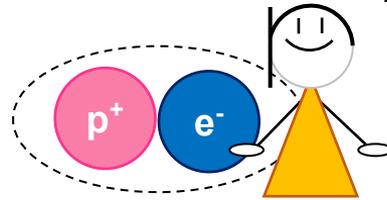
Walls (-Negative)

1. Make pairs.

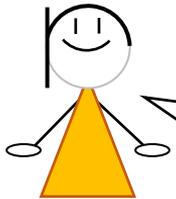


Tape (+Positive)

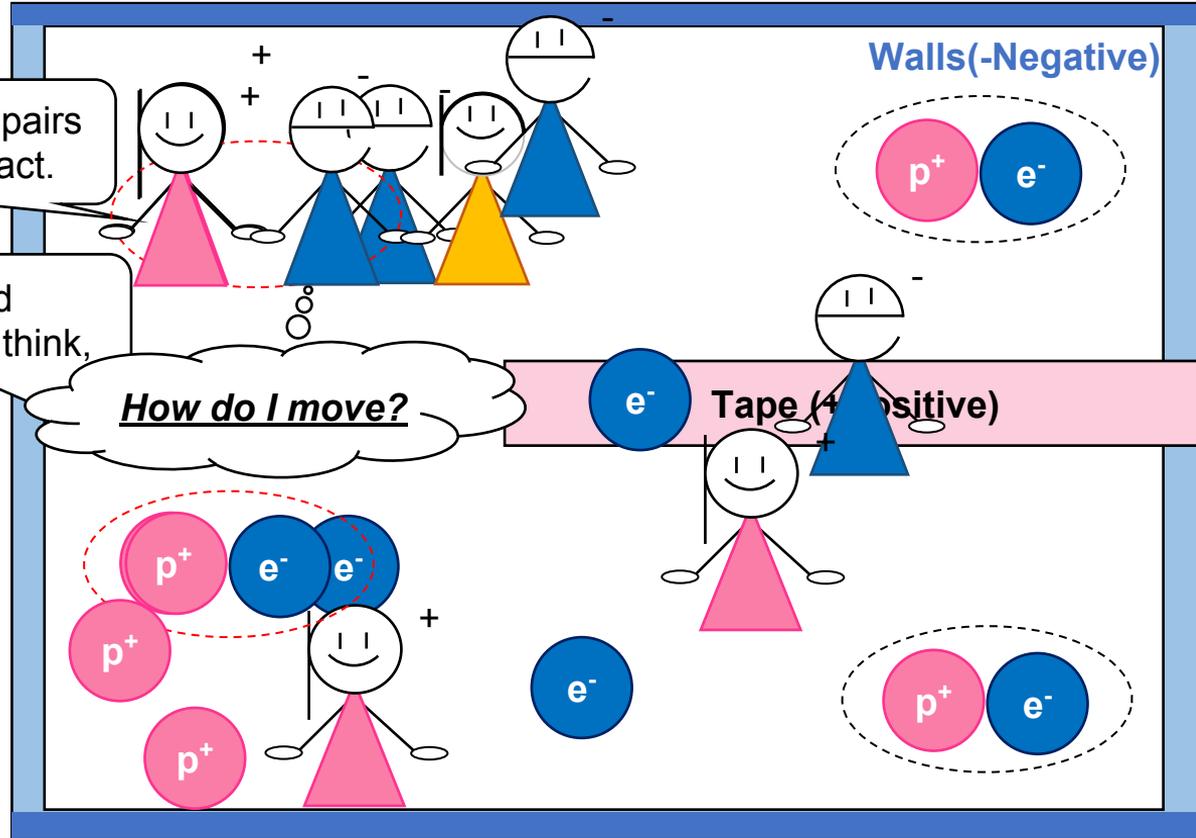
Radioactive Particle
(1 student)



2. Radioactive particle enters the room, and touch negative.



Activities: Ionisation - Game



Rule

- In case negative students are touched, they have to lose contact with partner.

Aim

- Learn mechanisms of ionisation and Geiger-Müller-counter.
- Think movements of positive, negative and radioactive particles.

Interactive simulation:

http://www.gigaphysics.com/gtube_lab.html

Tracking particles with a cloud chamber

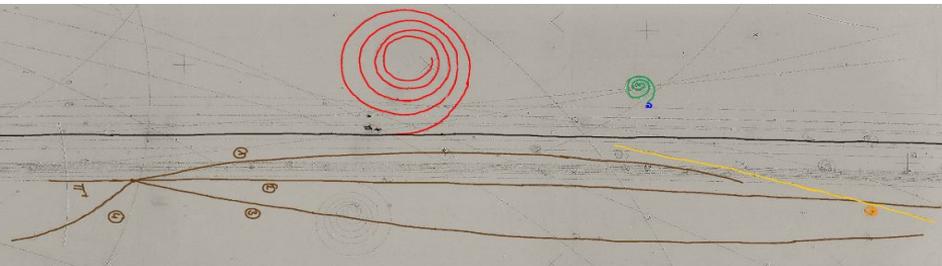


Tracks of the particles in cloud chamber



Pictures © Karlsruher Institut für Technologie (KIT)	Particle	Explanation
	muon or anti-muon	Thin straight tracks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - fast particles with high kinetic energy - they ionise molecules without scattering - high energy muons, electrons or their corresponding anti-particles - source: secondary cosmic particles
	electron or positron	
	α particle system	Thick straight tracks (approx. 5 cm): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - alpha particle systems ($2p2n$) - massive particle systems with high "ionisation density" (for alpha: 1 MeV/cm) - source: Radon-222 gas, natural radiation
	electron	Curly / curved tracks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - slow electrons scatter with other electrons via electromagnetic interaction - the lower the momentum of a particle, the easier it scatters - Photoelectrons are low energy electrons set free by high energy photons (via Photoelectric effect) - Source: muon transformation, beta emitters, photoelectric effect
	photoelectron	

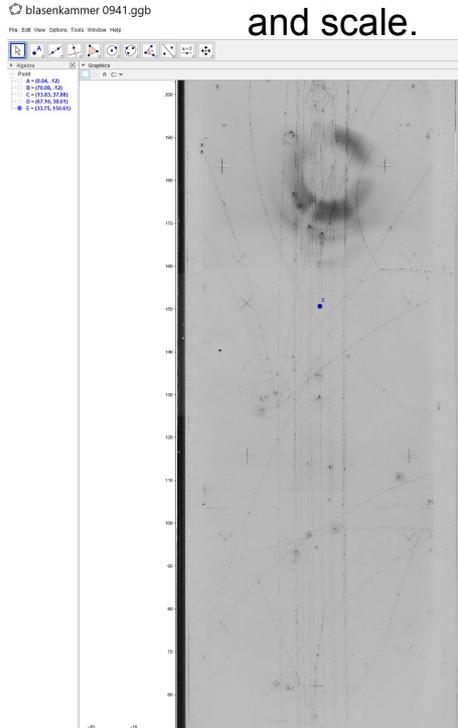
Benefits of an old-fashioned detector - The bubble chamber



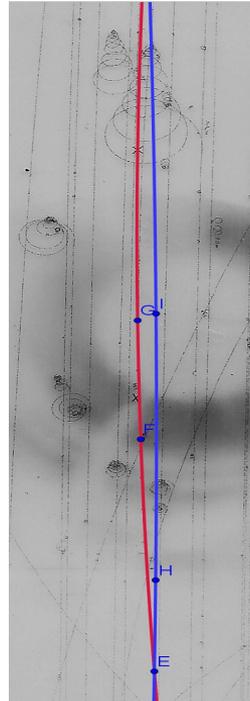
- What are those very different lines?
Misconception: "We see particles..."
Misconception: The students think, what they see is the path of the particle rather than it's projection in 2D.
- What can we learn from right- (left-) curved traces?
Chance: Revision of Right/Left-Hand-rule / Lorentz-Force
- Can we do more with such pictures?
Chance: Introduction of weak charge in addition to el. charge.
Chance: Calculating momentum and energy by measuring the radius.
Therefore: use geogebra!
Problem: 2D-projection, missing z-component of momentum.

Transformation of a neutral particle - Example in ggb

1.) Import to geogebra and scale.



2.) construct circles and measure radii.



3.) Calculate projections of momentum of each particle and calculate total momentum.

$$F_Z = F_L$$

$$m \cdot \frac{v^2}{r} = e \cdot v \cdot B$$

$$\rightarrow p = m \cdot v = e \cdot B \cdot r$$

4.) Calculate energy of every new particle and calculate total energy.

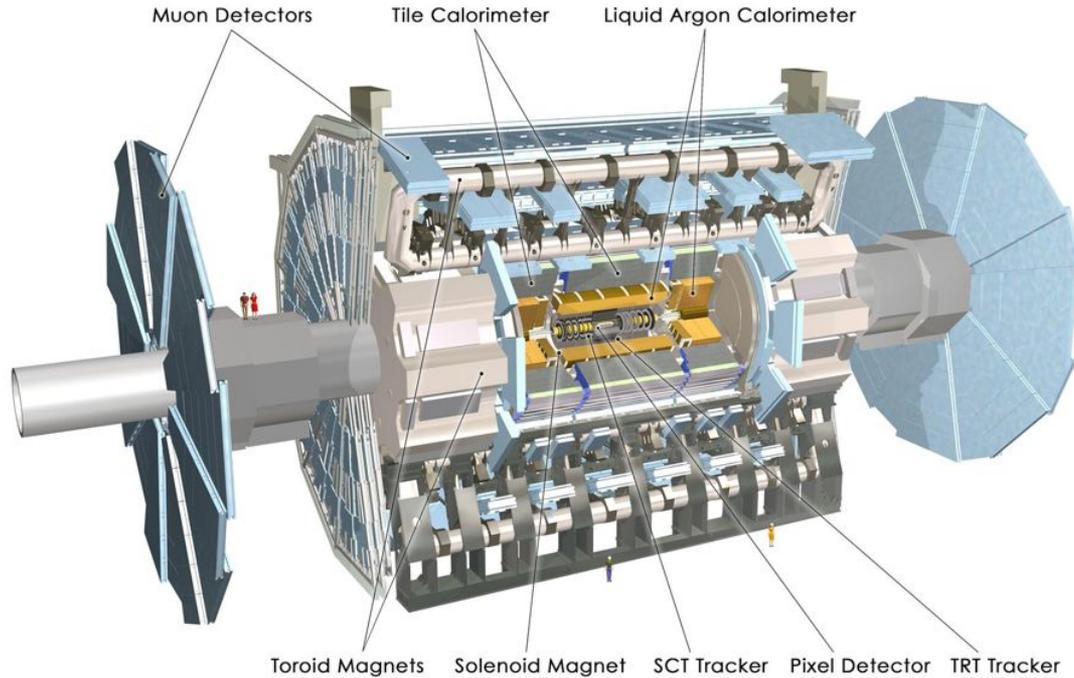
$$E^2 = (m_0 \cdot c^2)^2 + (p \cdot c)^2$$

5.) Calculate invariant mass.

$$m_0^2 = \left(\frac{E}{c^2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{p}{c}\right)^2$$

To make it easy: Prepare excel-sheet and work with units of eV, eV/c, eV/c²...

Activity: ATLAS-Detector and parts



Identifying particles animation
https://kjende.web.cern.ch/kjende/en/wpath_teilchenid1.htm

The CMS Detector

Detectors

ATLAS ~ 25 m × 45 m
CMS ~ 15 m × 21.5 m

~ 7,000 tons
~ 12,500 tons

Five-story building

- About 100 millions sensors each
- Much beyond a 12-megapixel camera, 40 million pictures/second

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...through a CMS slice...

Key:

- Muon
- Electron
- Charged Hadron (e.g. Pion)
- Neutral Hadron (e.g. Neutron)
- Photon

Labels in diagram: 4T, Silicon Tracker, Electromagnetic Calorimeter, Hadron Calorimeter, Superconducting Solenoid, Iron return yoke interspersed with Muon chambers.

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A general purpose experiment

- SUPERCONDUCTING COIL:** 3.8 T solenoidal field
- HCAL:** hadrons energy and position
Plastic scintillator + Cu sandwich
- HADRON YOKE (Fe)**
- ECAL:** e and γ energy and position
Scintillating $PbWO_4$ crystals
- TRACKER:** p_T and charge of tracks and secondary vertex
Silicon microstrip + Pixel detector
- MUON DETECTOR:** identify m and measure p_T and charge (+Tracker)
Drift Tube + RPC in the barrel
CPC + RPC in the endcap
- Neutrinos "detected and measured" through missing transverse energy in calorimeters.

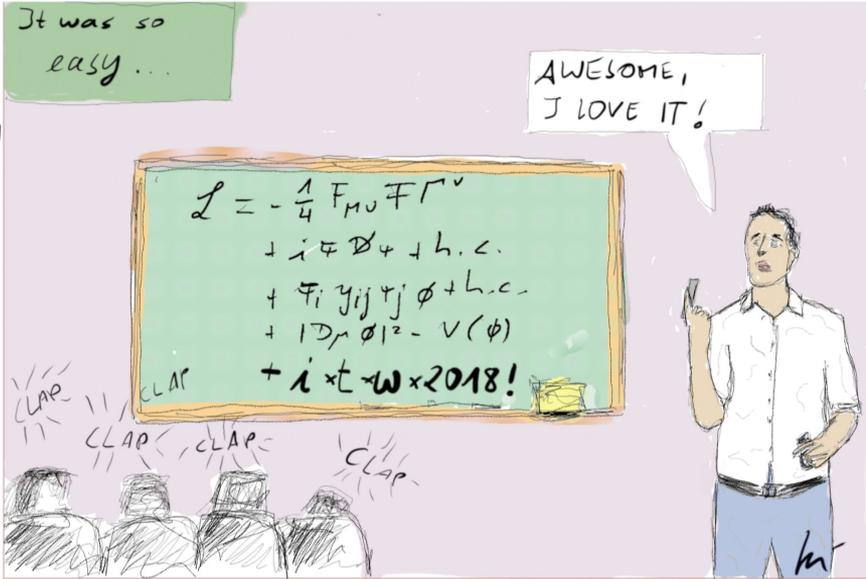
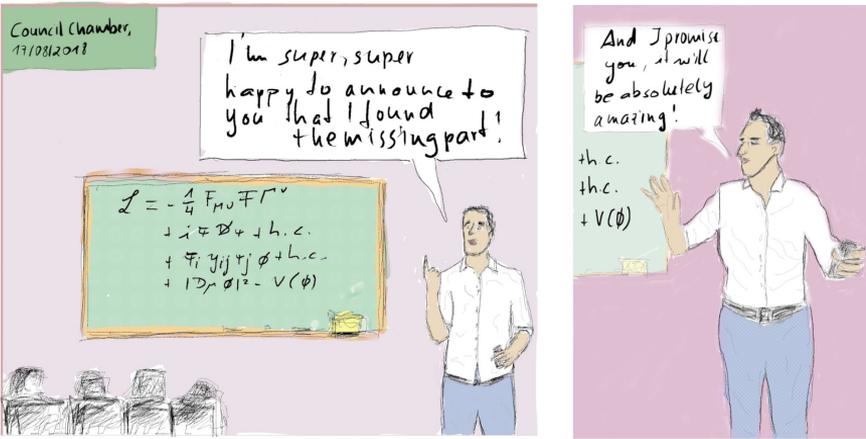
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