

# A very brief sketch of some design choices in real-time analysis



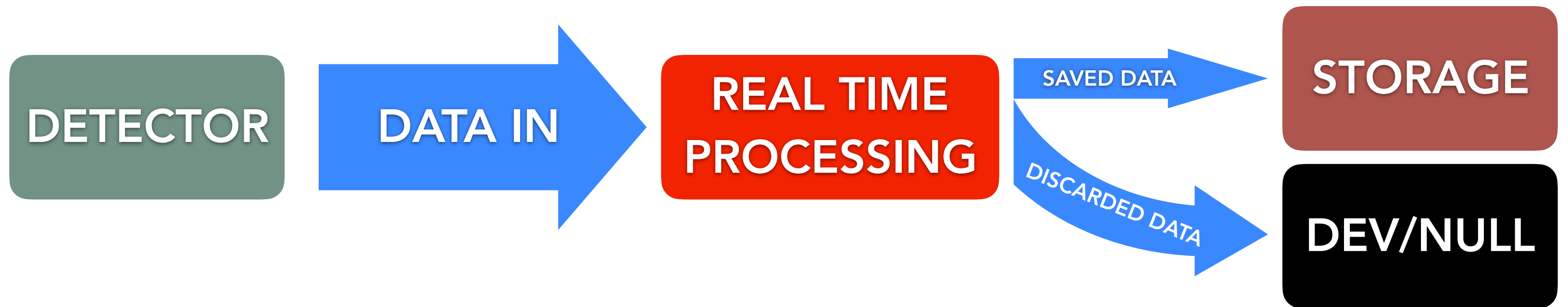
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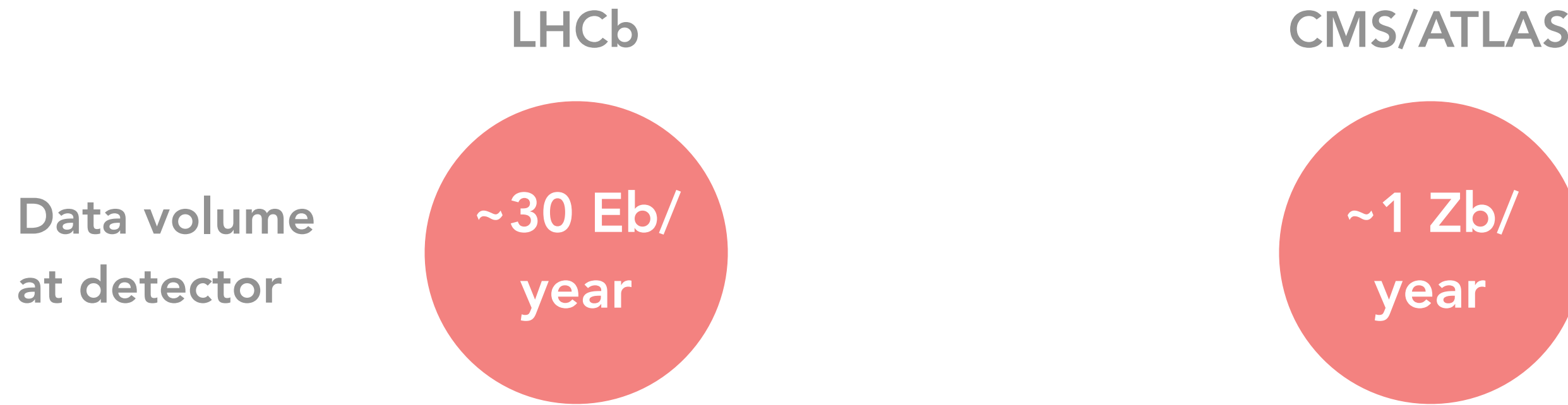
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# Q : What is real-time?

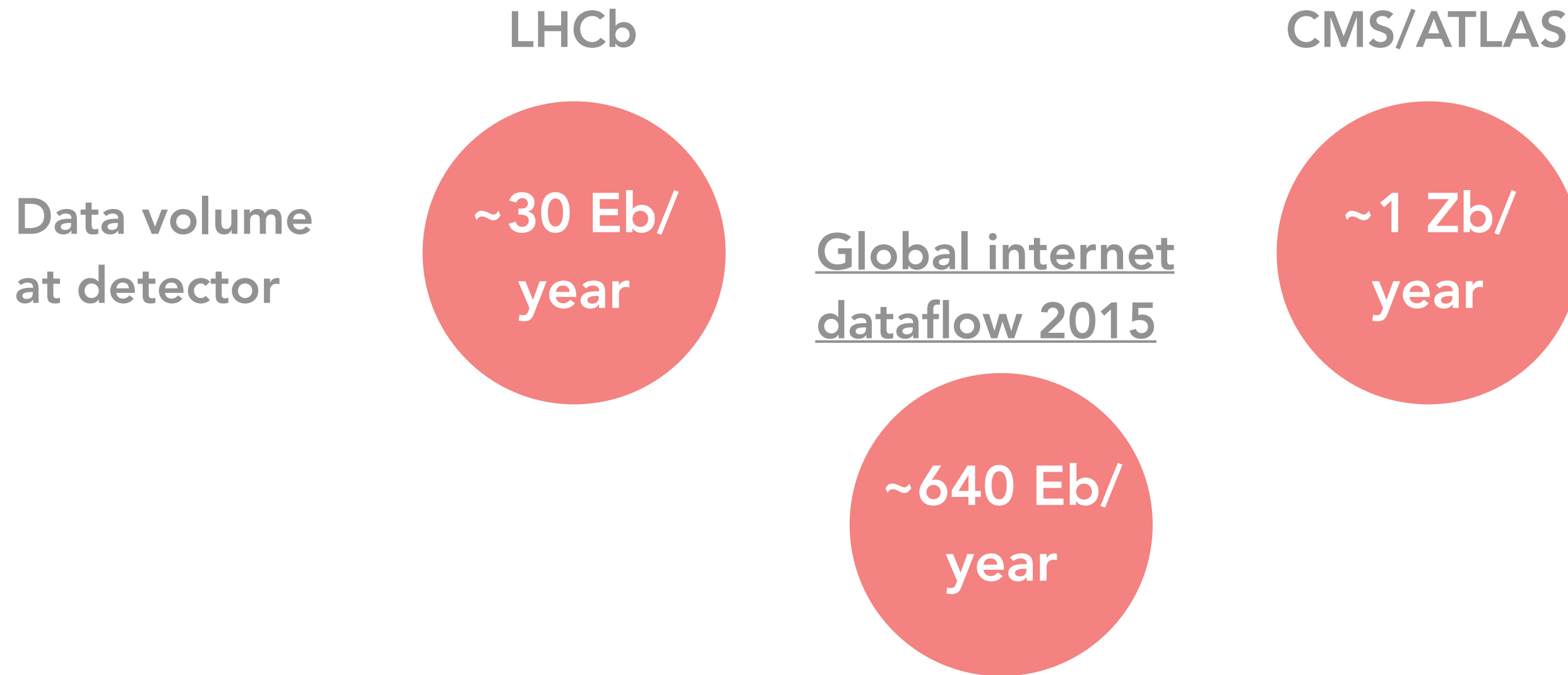


**A : Any processing of data before it is permanently recorded**

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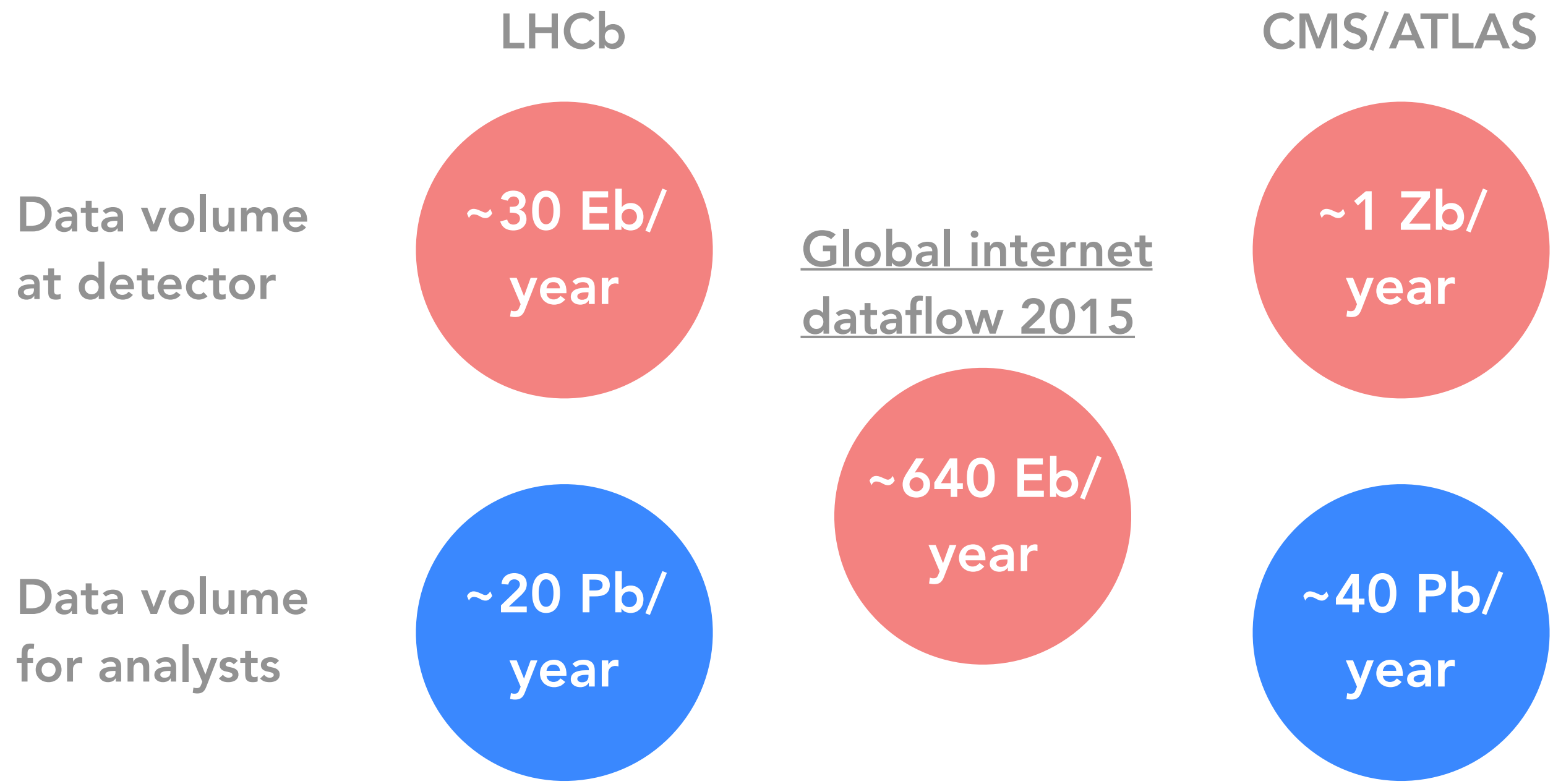


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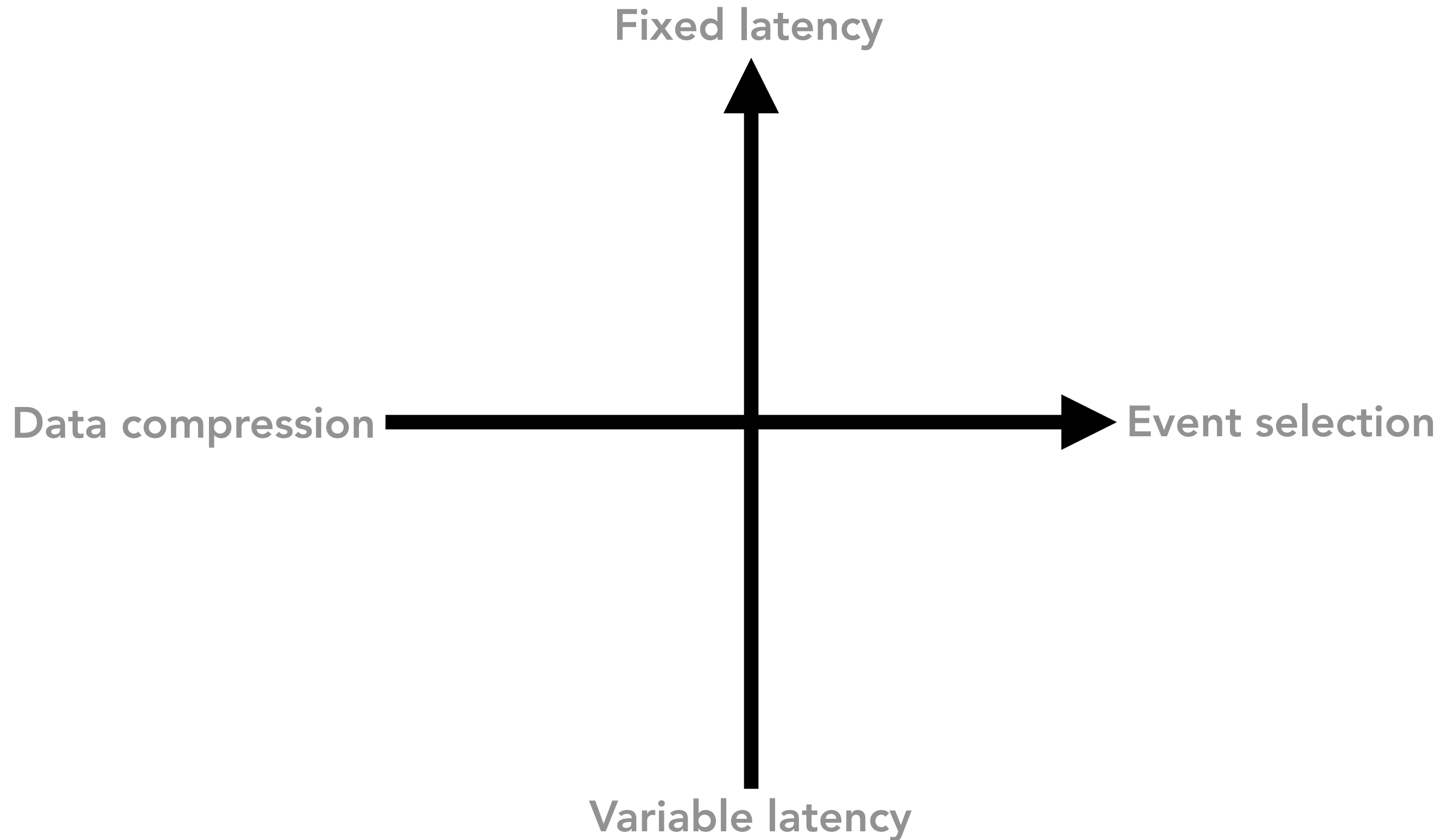
**Because HEP detectors produce too much data to store**

# Data volumes @ LHC after real-time processing



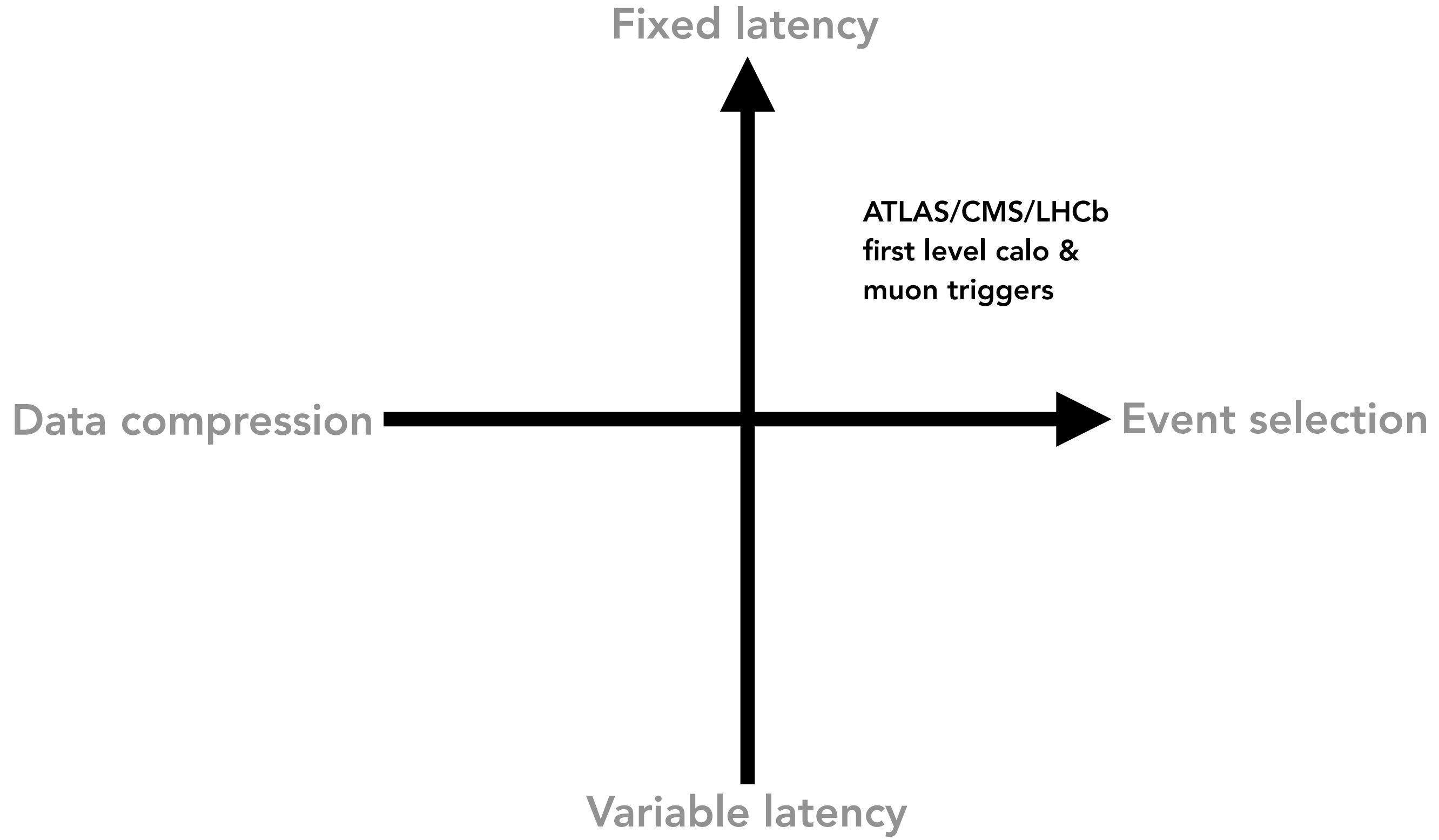
**Real-time processing reduces data by 3-5 orders of magnitude**

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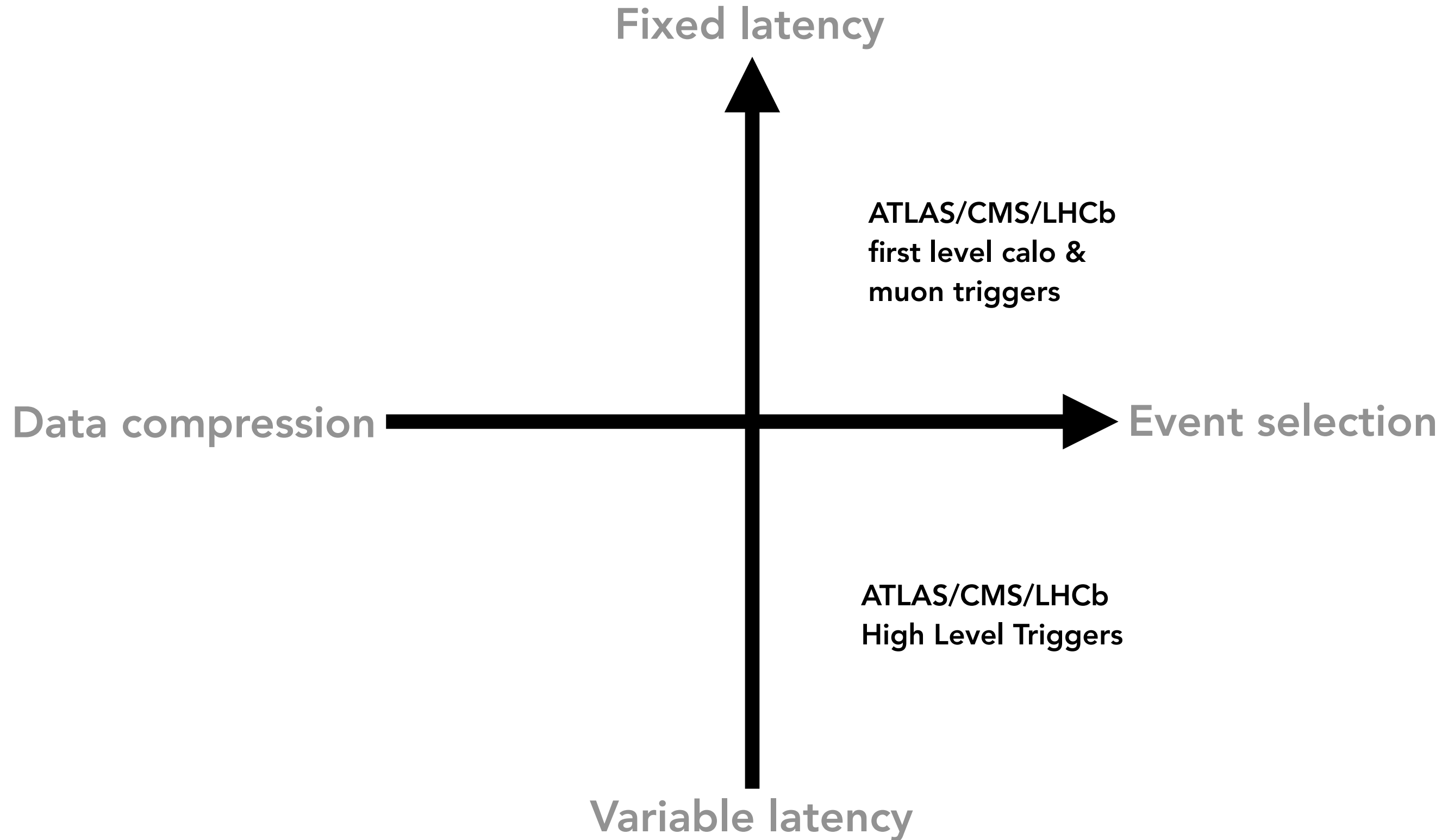
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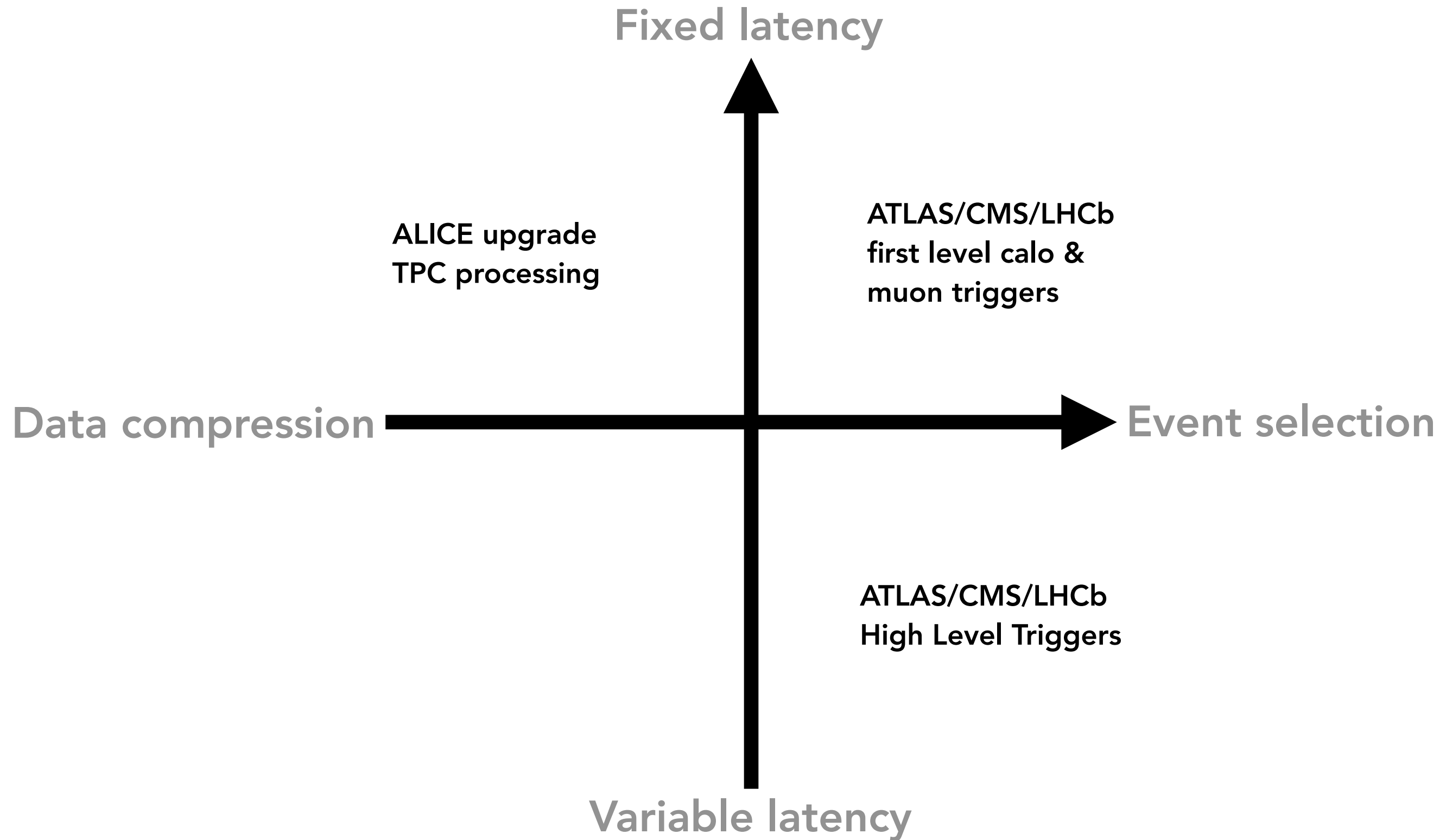
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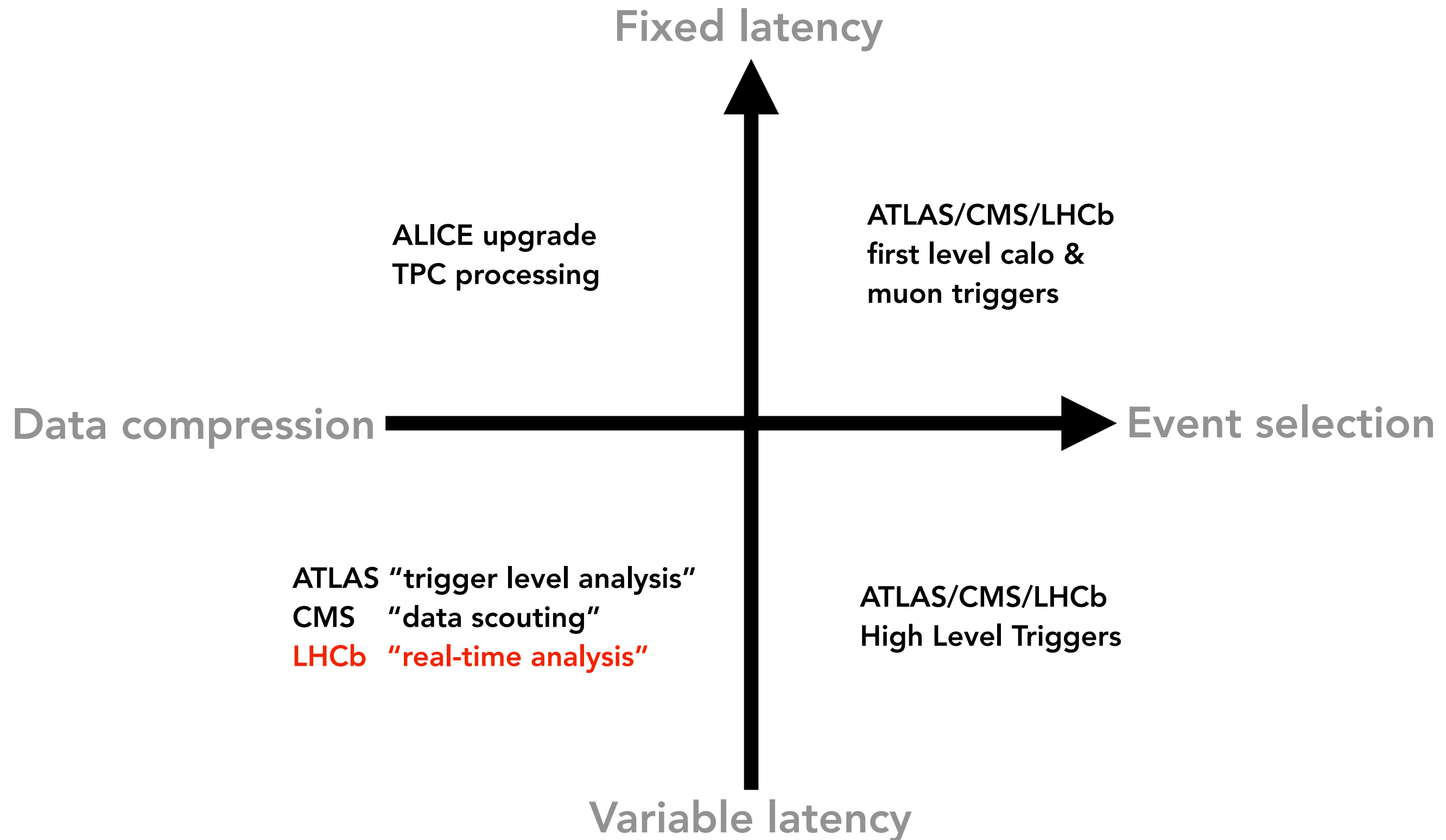


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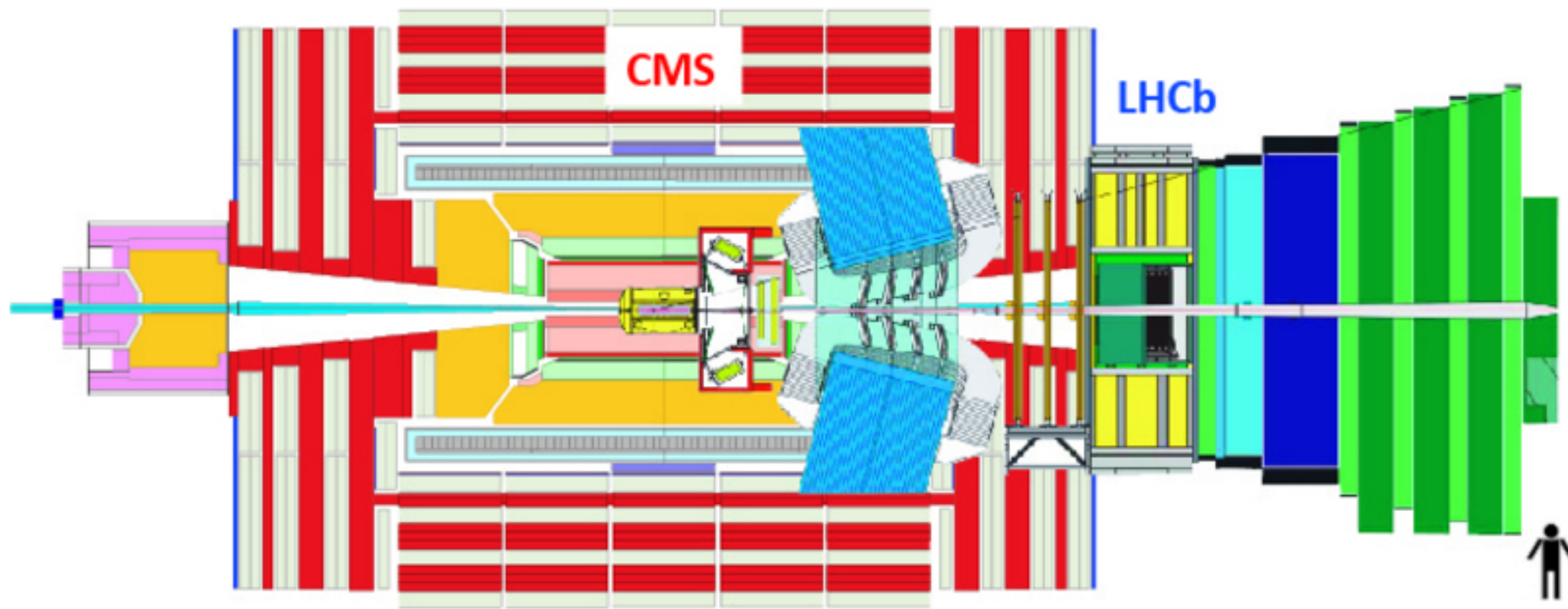
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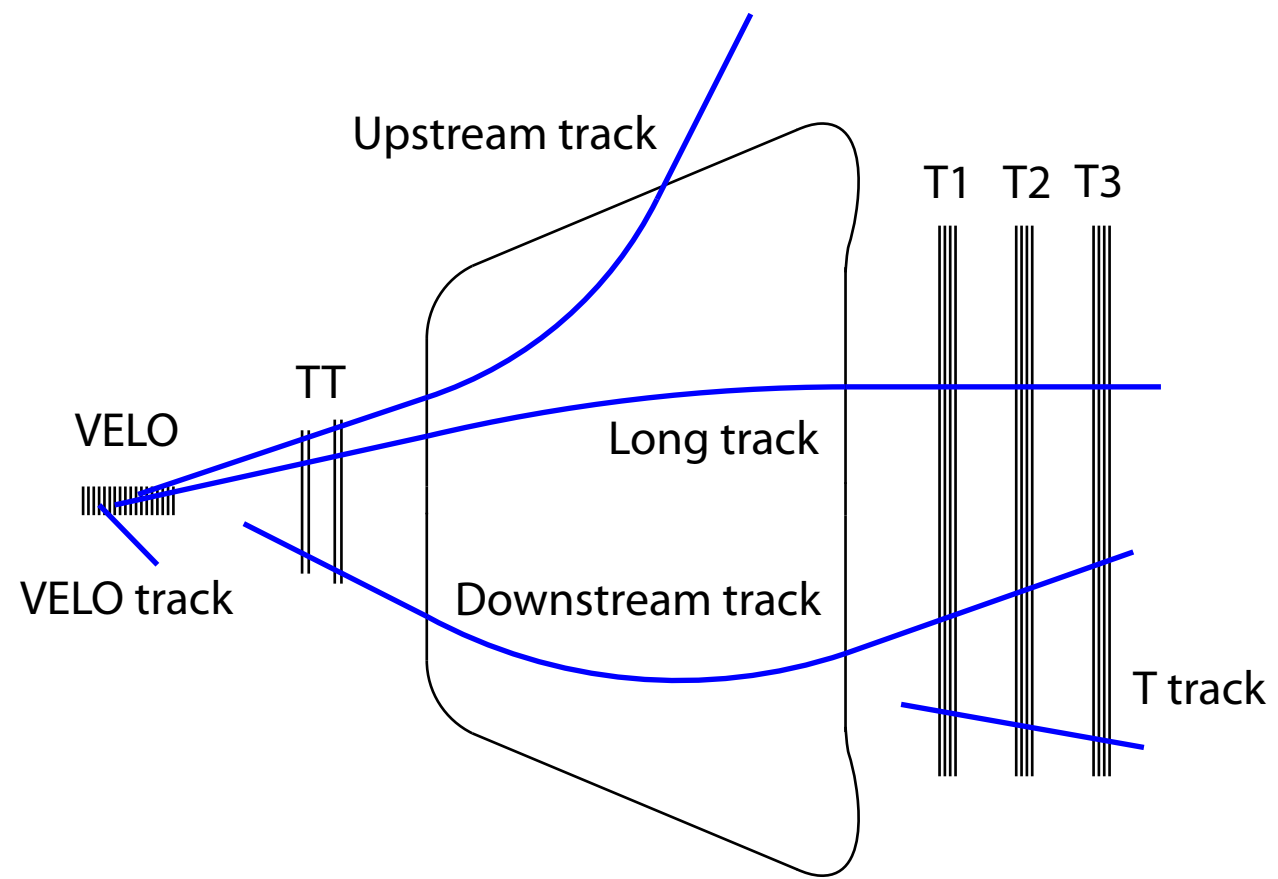
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# The LHCb detector at the LHC



**Forward spectrometer optimized for precision physics**

# Reconstruction philosophy and role of subdetectors



Tracker : charged particle reconstruction

Particle identification : RICH, Muon, ECAL

Neutral reconstruction : ECAL

Optimized for charged particles w/some neutral capability

# LHCb analysis methodology and role of calibration samples

## Trigger Efficiency

Tag-and-probe calibration method exists & widely used

## Tracking efficiency

Tag-and-probe

Existing

$\mu$

Developing

$e, \pi, K, p$

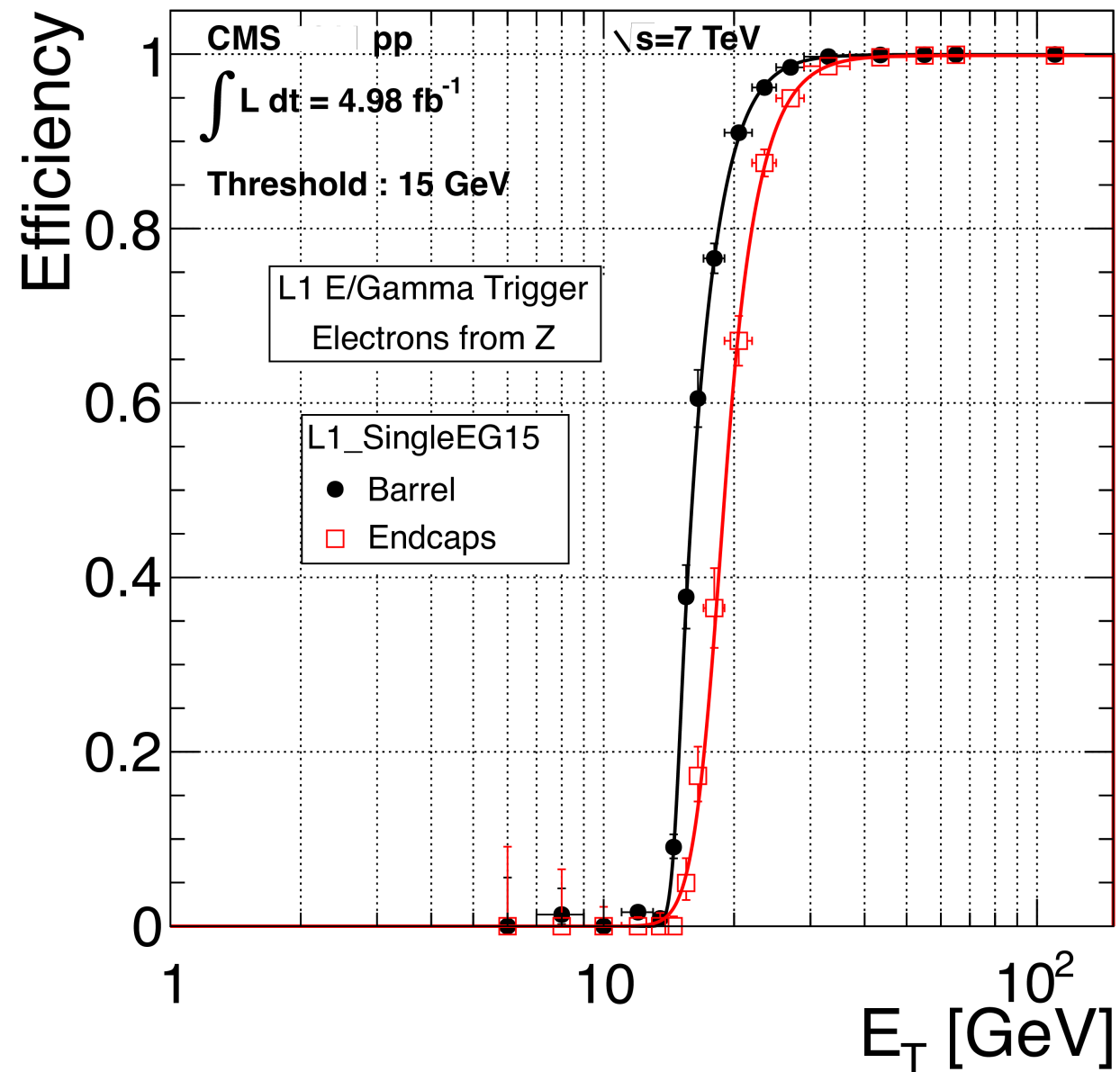
## Particle identification

Tag-and-probe

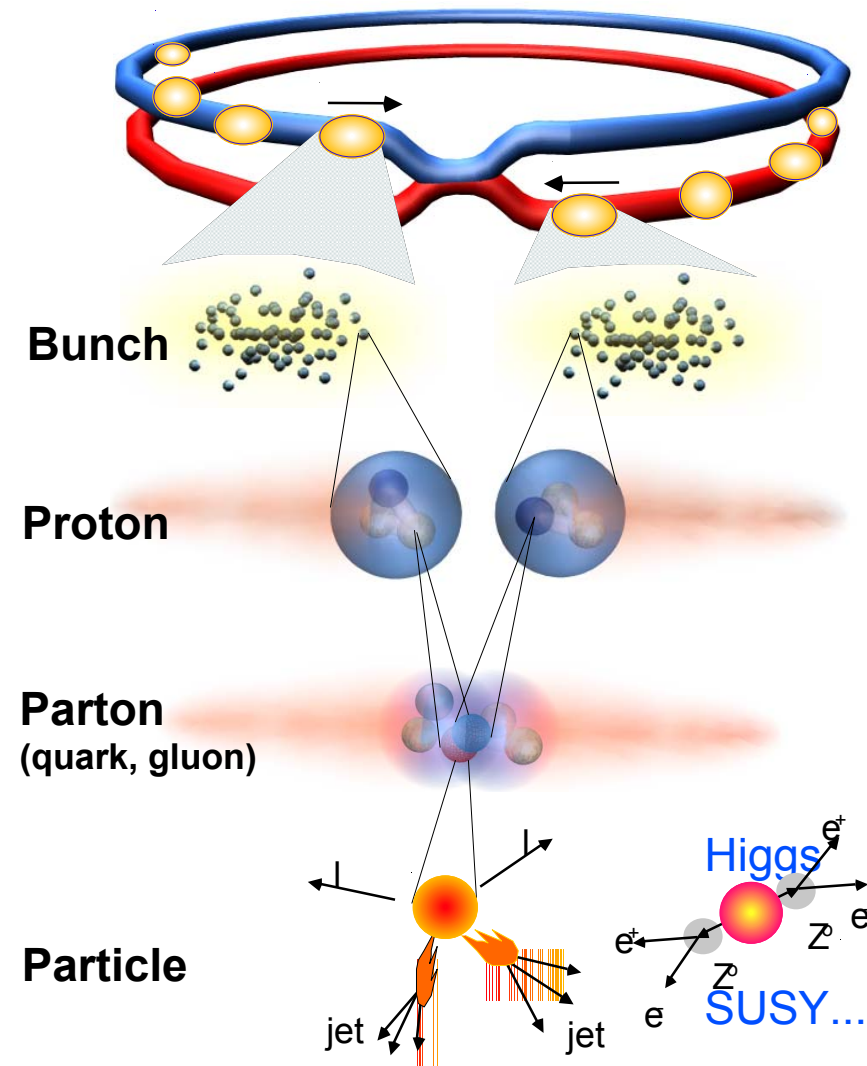
Tag-and-probe calibrations exist for all charged particle species and for  $\pi^0/\gamma$ , with new sources added over time to improve coverage

**Data driven efficiency calibration key to precision physics**

# Traditional real-time processing, or "triggering"



## Collisions at the LHC: summary



**Proton - Proton** 2804 bunch/beam  
 Protons/bunch  $10^{11}$   
 Beam energy 7 TeV ( $7 \times 10^{12}$  eV)  
 Luminosity  $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Crossing rate 40 MHz

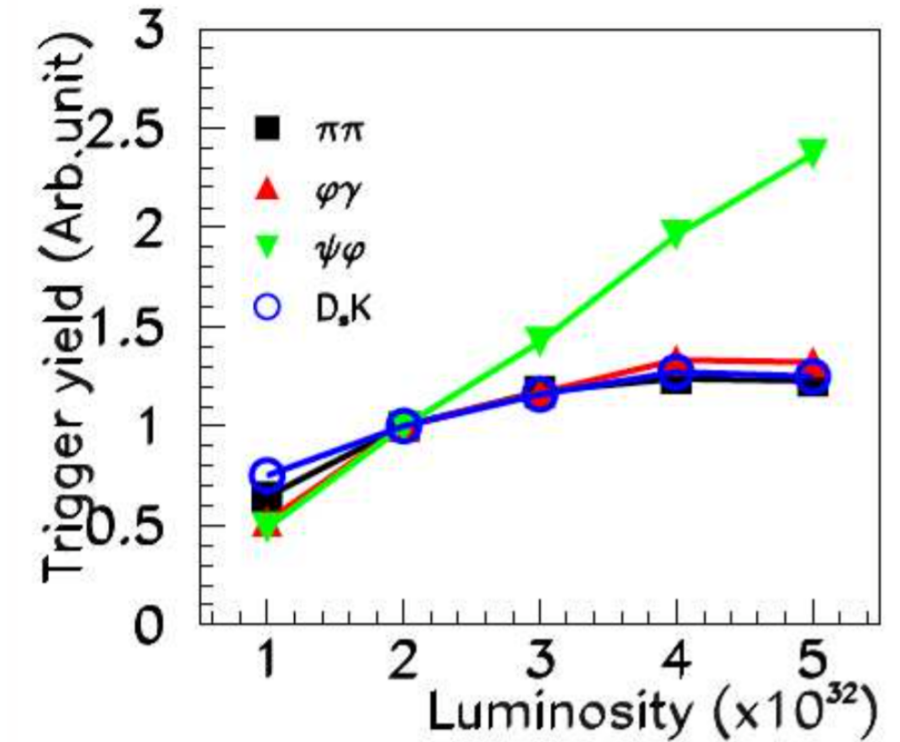
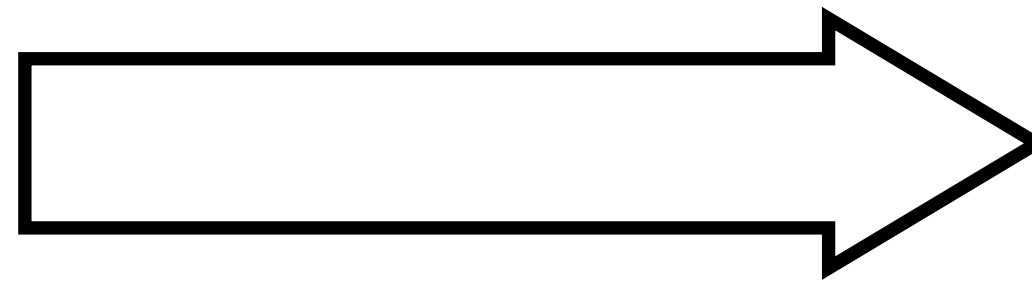
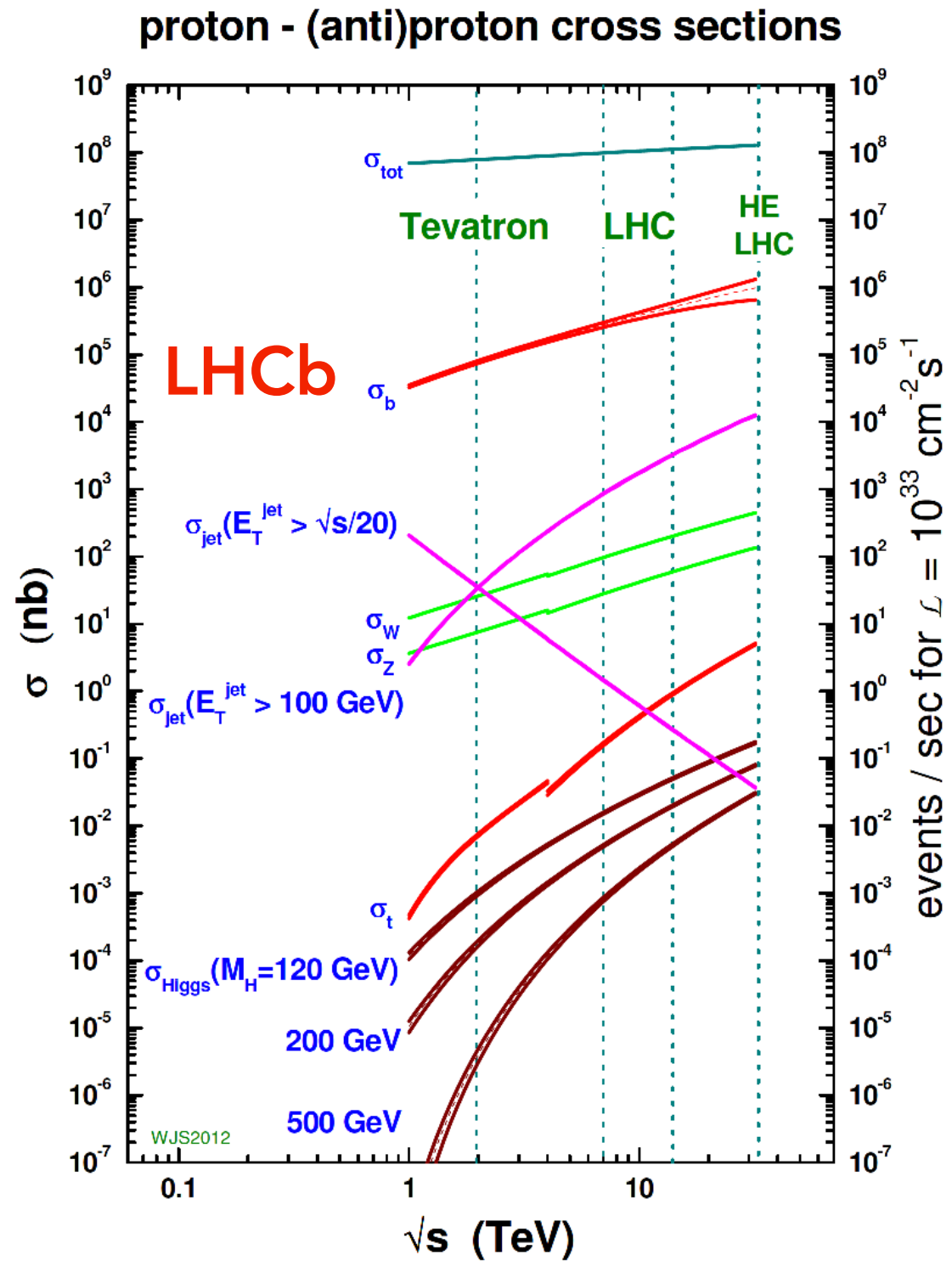
Collision rate  $\approx 10^7 - 10^9$

New physics rate  $\approx .00001$  Hz

**Event selection:**  
**1 in 10,000,000,000,000**

Driven by fixed-latency selection, analysis on efficiency plateau

# Why does LHCb not run at ATLAS/CMS luminosities today?



LHC increases its luminosity by generating multiple pp interactions in a single bunch crossing

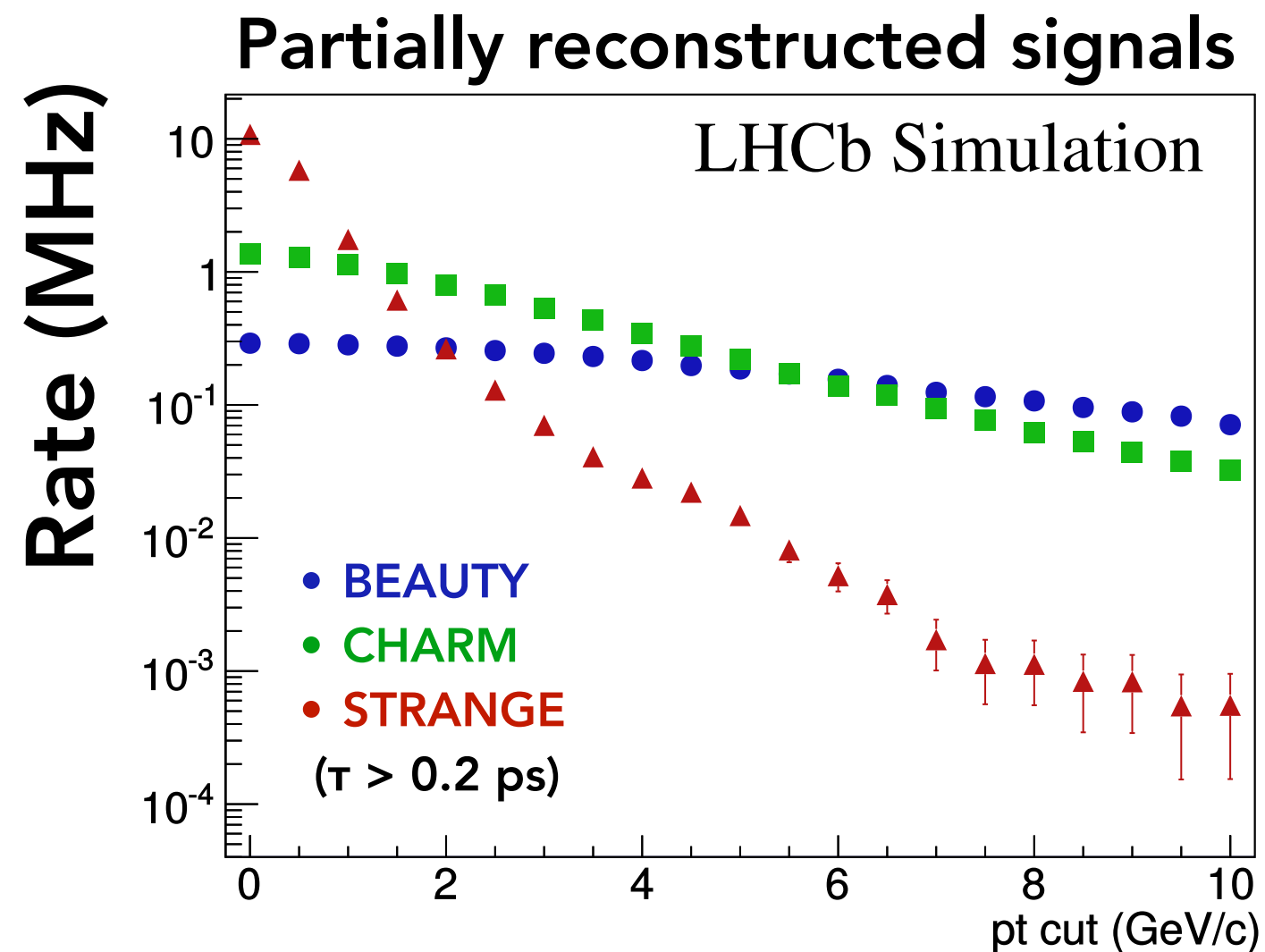
Fixed latency triggers select bunch crossings

Beyond some luminosity, all bunch crossings contain signal.  
 Select interactions, not bunch crossings => real-time analysis.

No possibility to work on efficiency plateau!

**Fixed-latency trigger only effective up to around  $4 \cdot 10^{32}$**

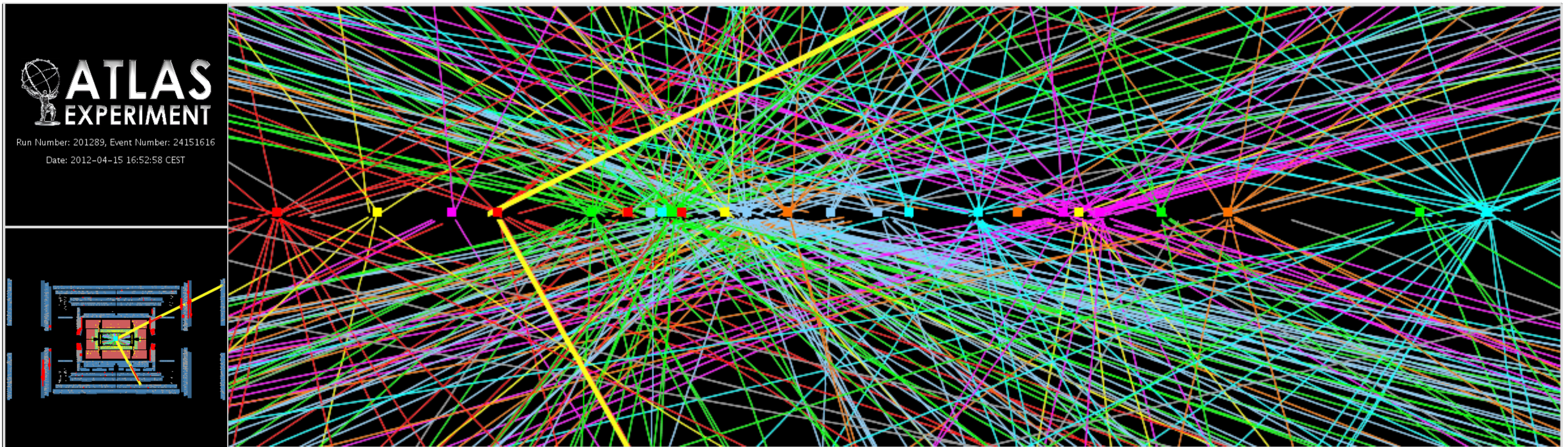
# Signal and data rates at LHCb in the upgrade



Plus data volume increases quadratically because of pileup



# From selection to compression : real-time analysis



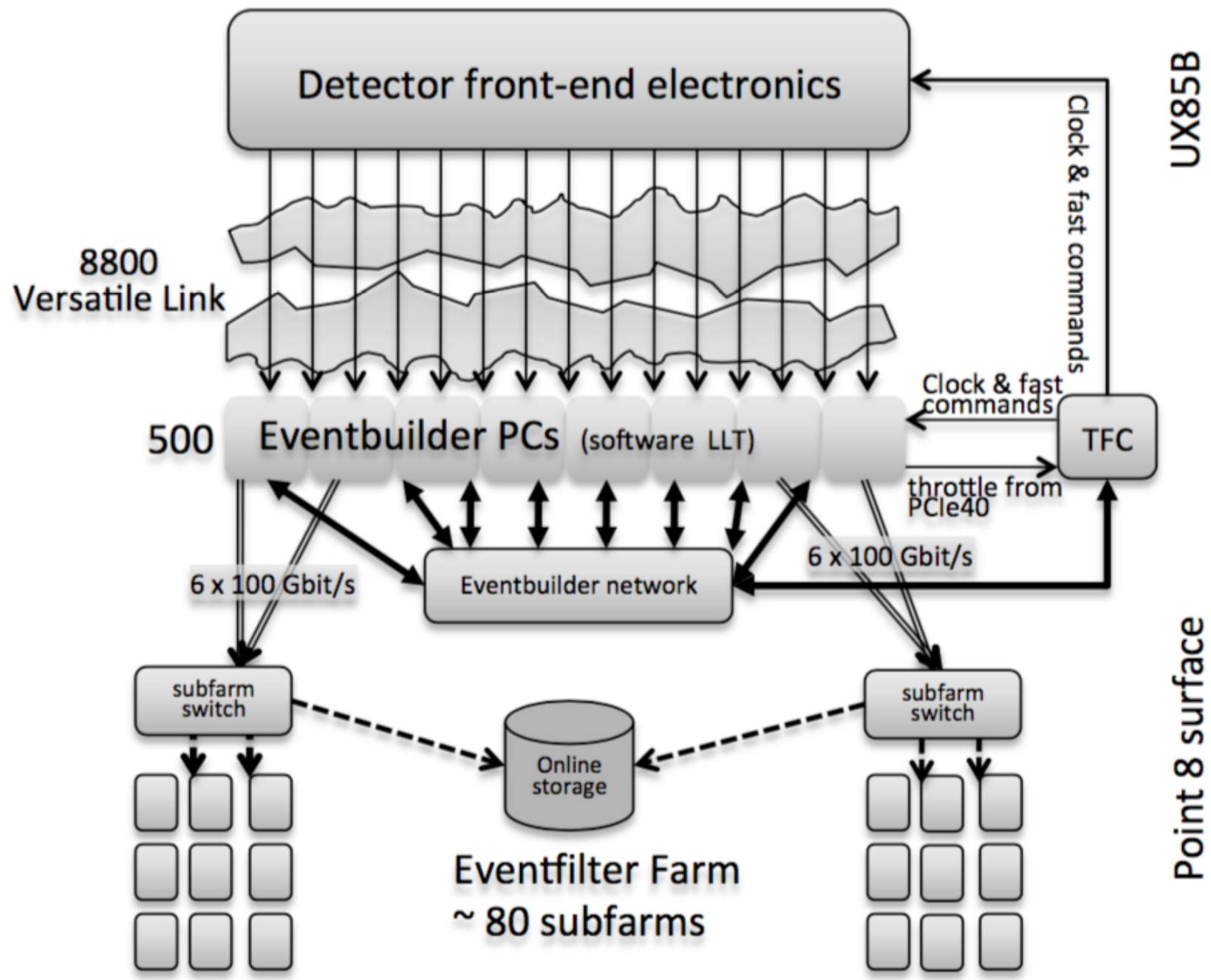
Most physics measurements require only a signal candidate and information about the specific pp collision which produced it → the rest is pileup

The higher the luminosity, the larger the fraction of event data caused by pileup

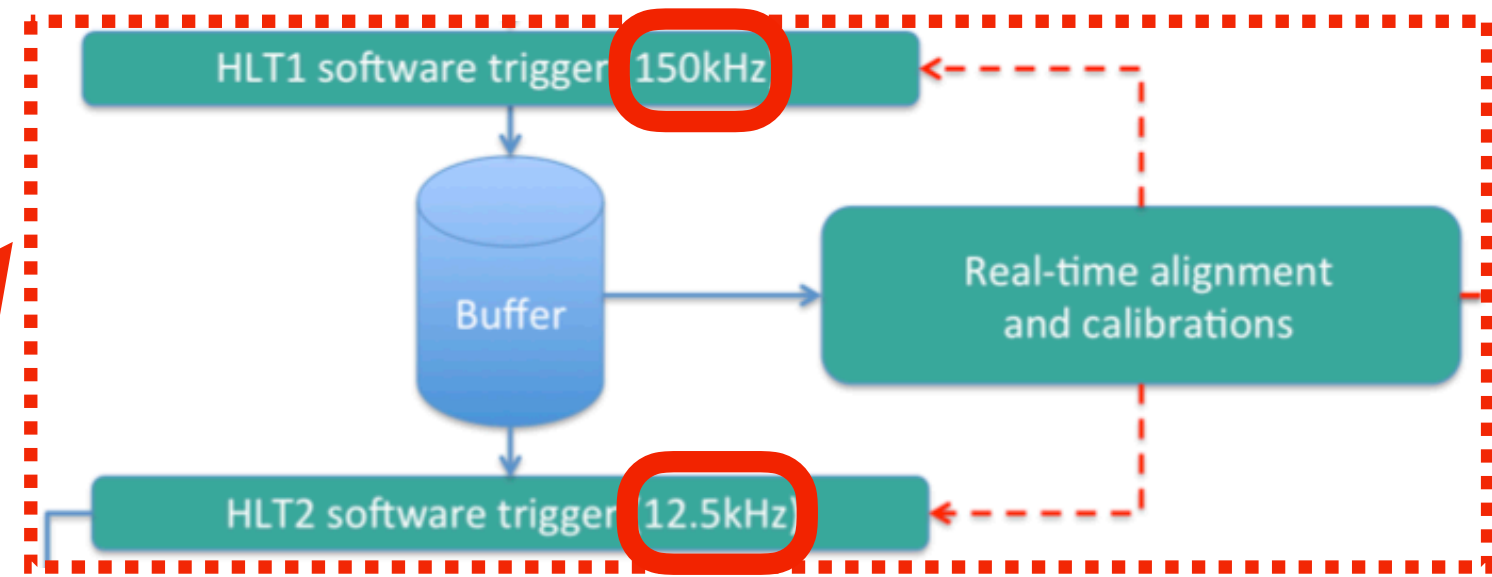
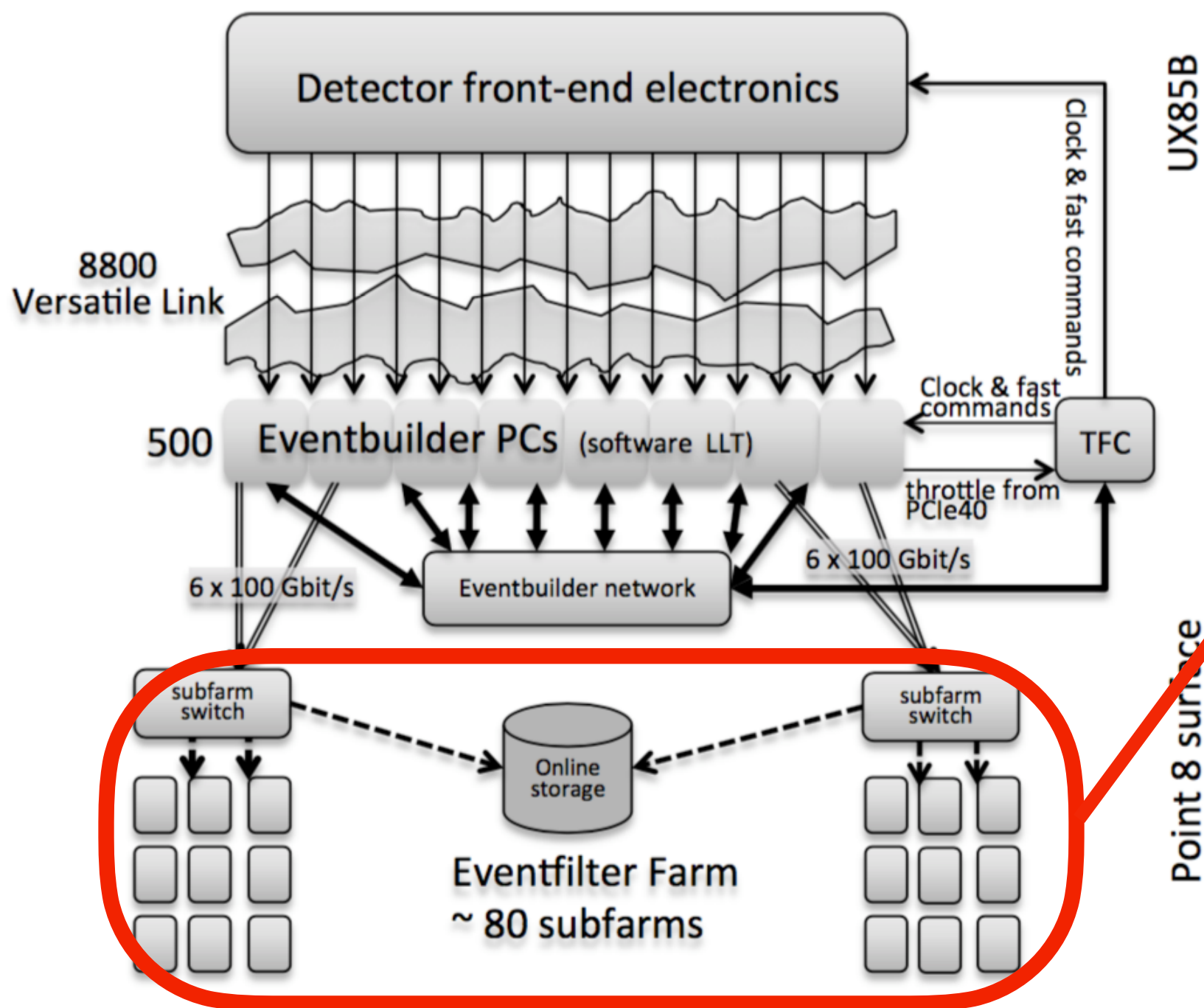
Hence create more room for signal by compressing & removing pileup in real-time!

**Requires the ability to carry out precise pileup suppression**

# The LHCb detector readout for the upgrade

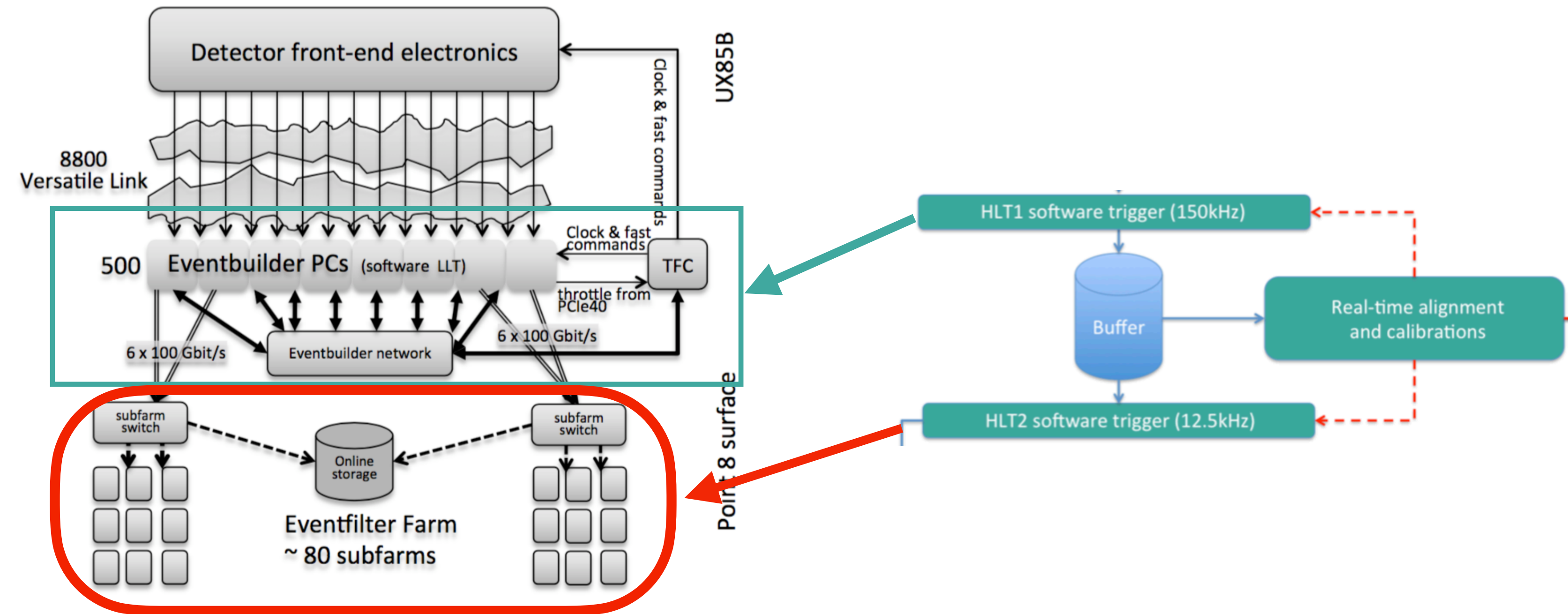


# Looking inside the eventfilter farm



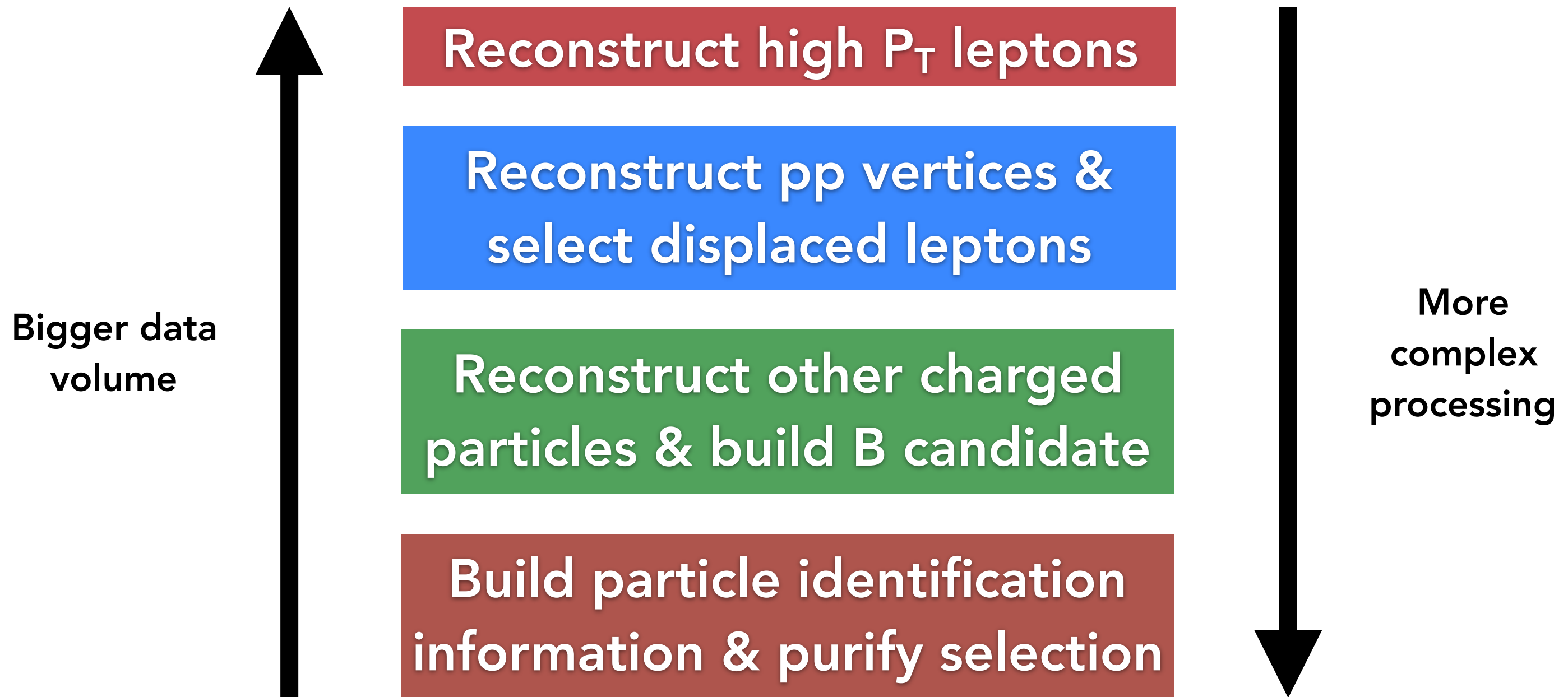
**Splitting the HLT — example of a cascade buffer**

# But we should do a global DAQ optimization



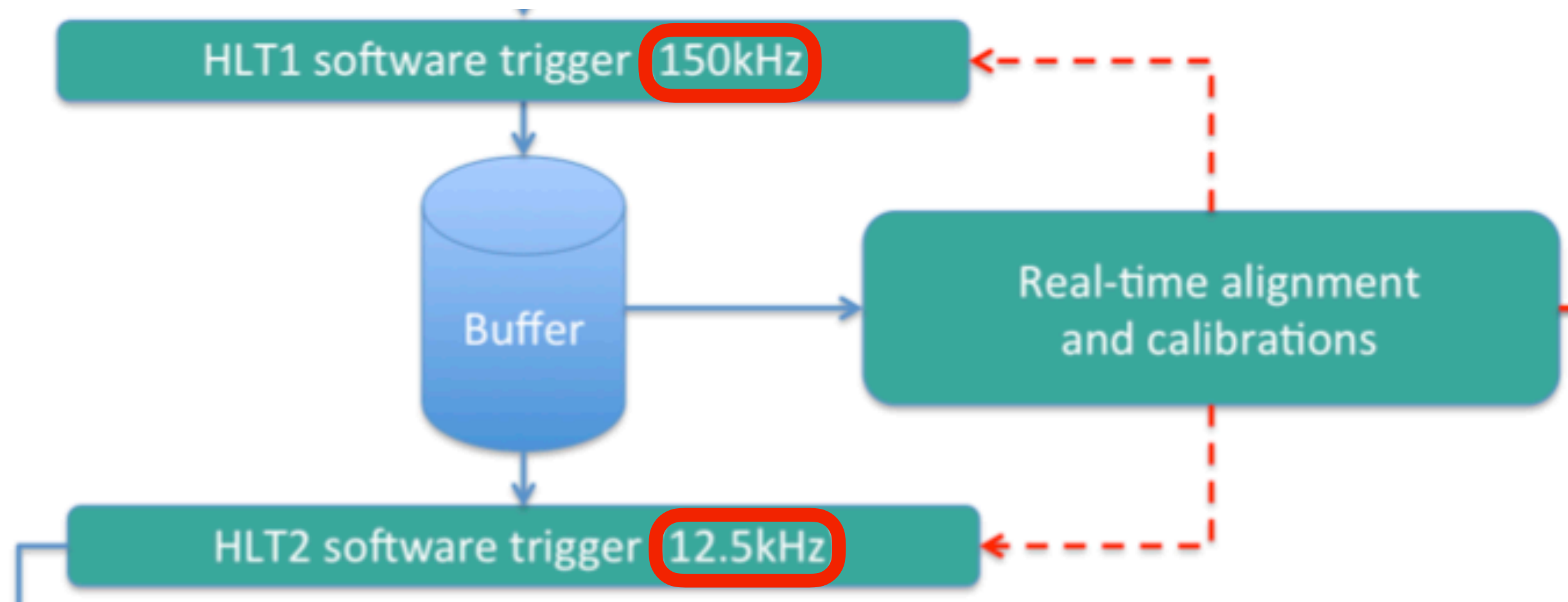
Consider whole system: if coprocessors in event building network reduce event rate by  $O(10)$ , greatly reduce cost of the network. Also reduces communication cost between x86 and coprocessor, since data goes directly to the coprocessor => motivation for Allen.

# What is a cascade buffer?



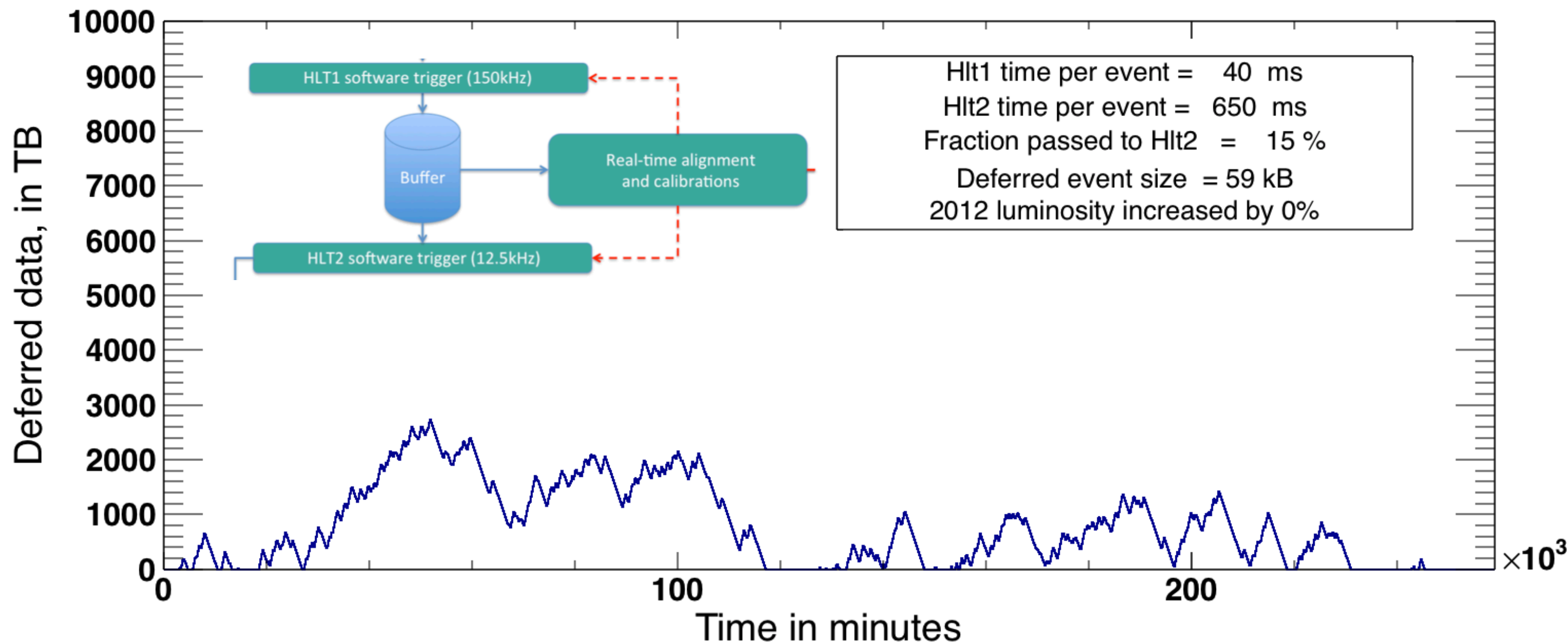
**A staged data reduction using increasingly complex algorithms**

# Take a step back and see how we optimized this for Run 2



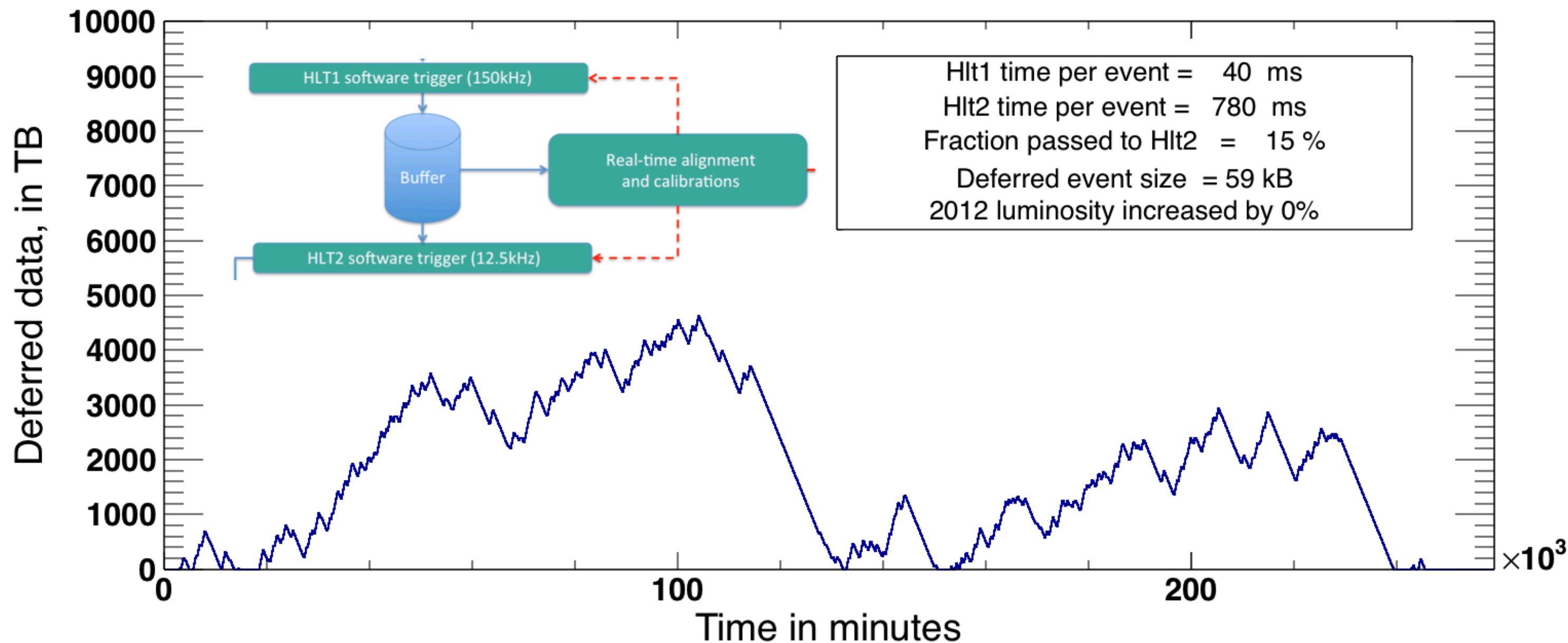
**Balance retention of HLT1 against processing time of HLT2**

# Optimization of the Run 2 LHCb cascade buffer



**Use Run 1 LHC fill structure to simulate disk buffer usage**

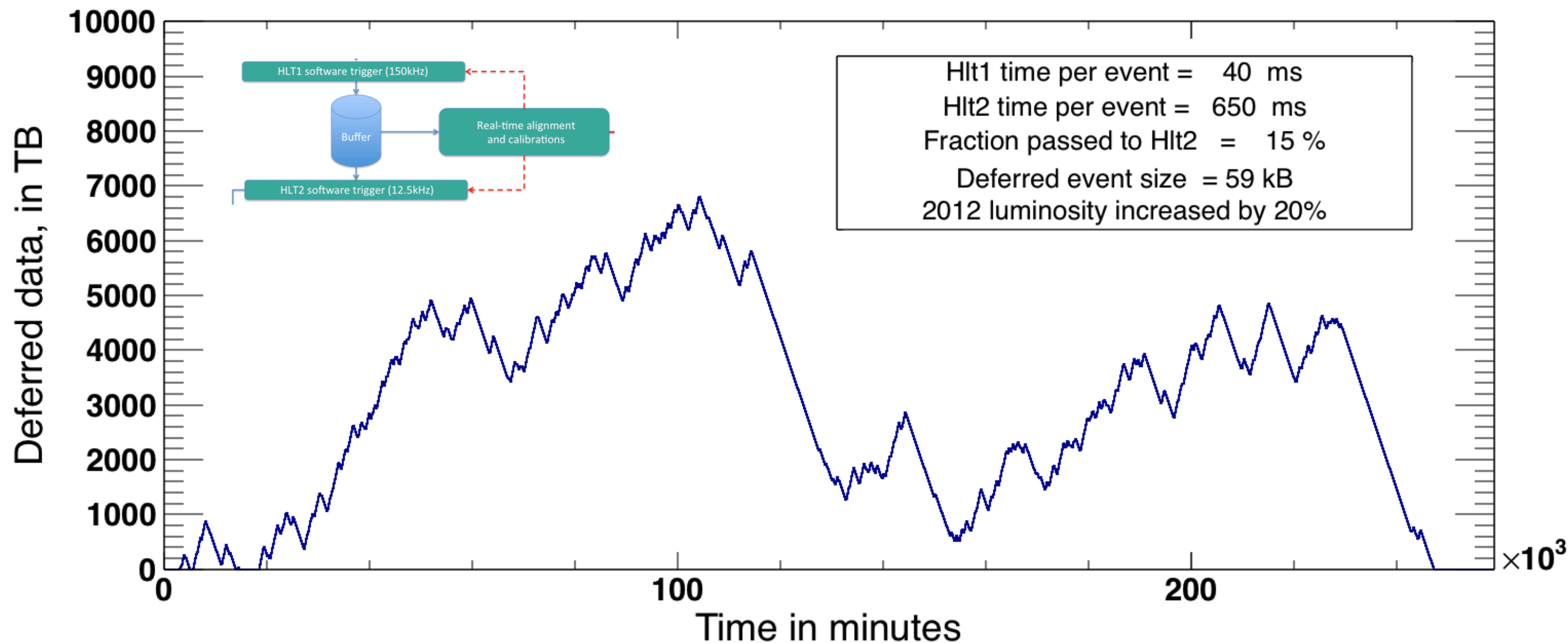
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**Use simulation to ensure robustness if timing estimates wrong**

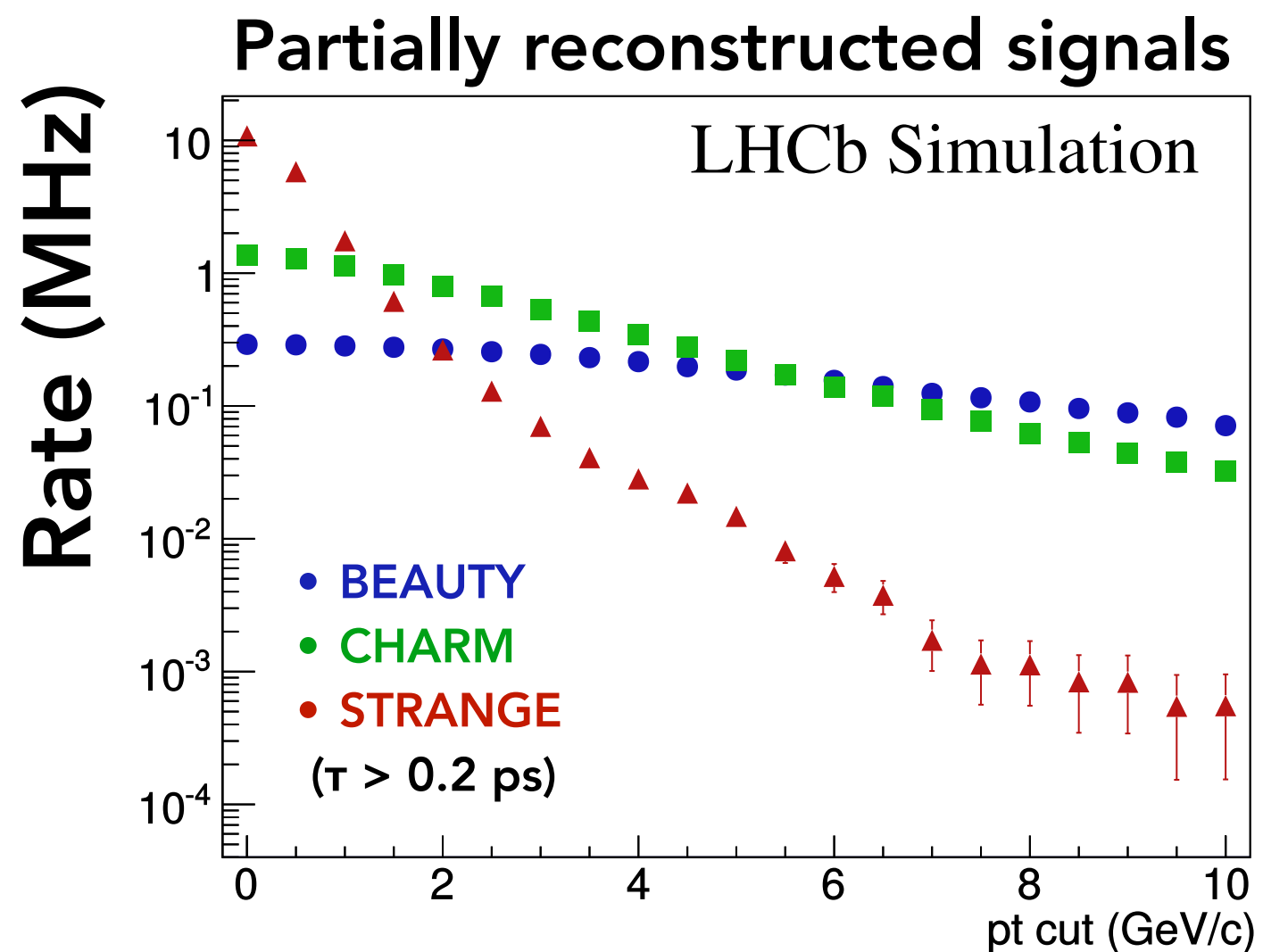


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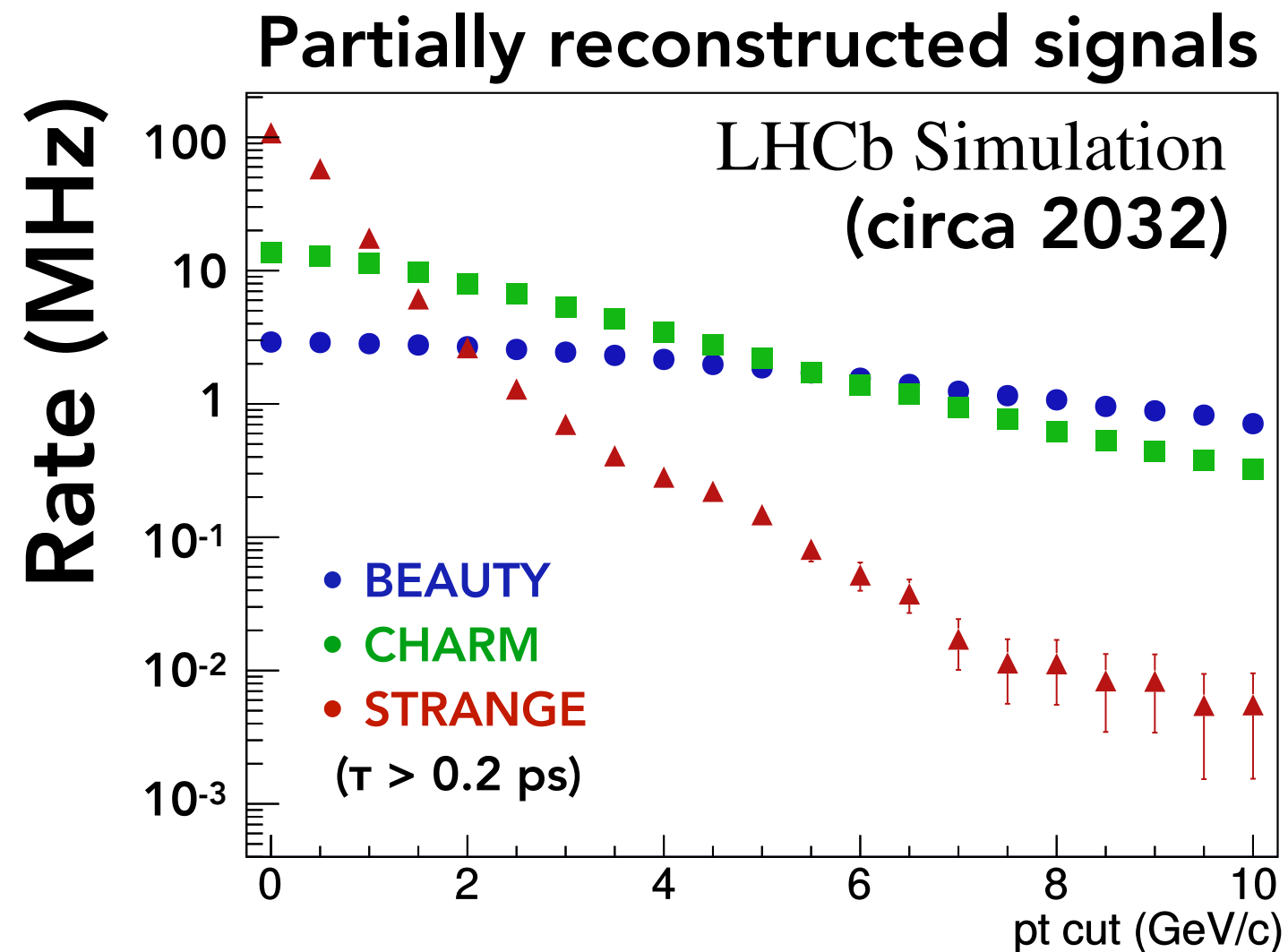
**Use simulation to ensure robustness if LHC overperformed**

# Evolution of real-time analysis towards the LHCb upgrade...



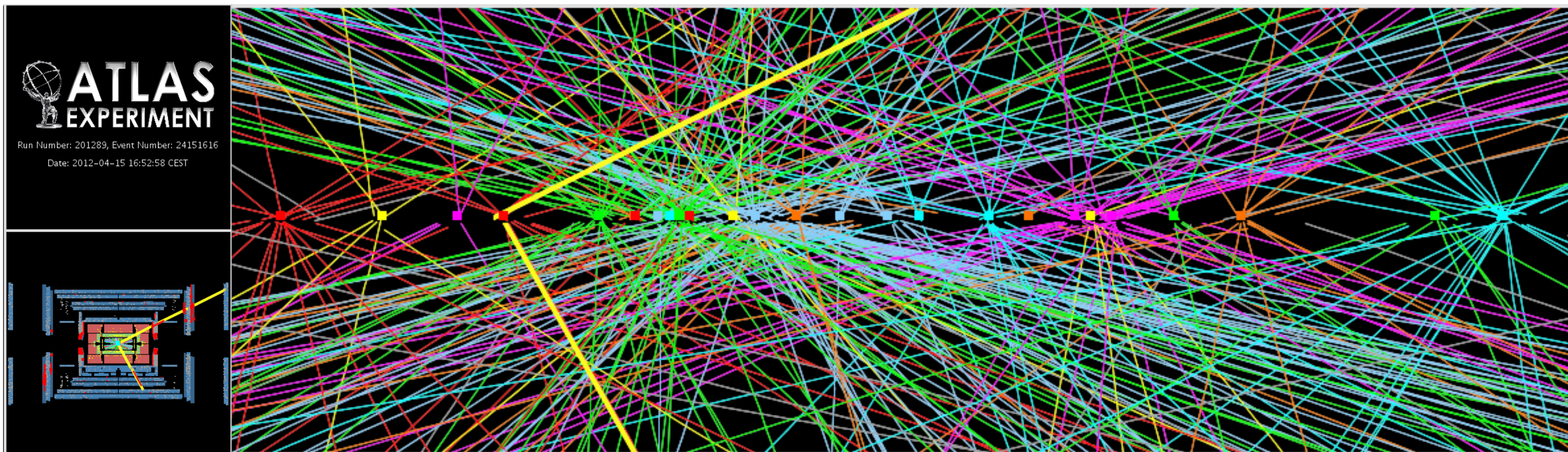
**Still just about room for a first level selective trigger**

# ...and a potential second upgrade



But at  $2 \cdot 10^{34}$ , even that will no longer be possible

# Why is real-time analysis here to stay?



Almost all bunch crossings will contain interesting signal, most proton-proton collisions will not  
➔ Our triggers should select collisions, not bunch crossings

Requires ~offline-quality real-time reconstruction, detector alignment&calibration

Requires access to "rest of event" information (tagging, isolation...) in real-time

**Fundamentally because it is driven by physics, not technology.**