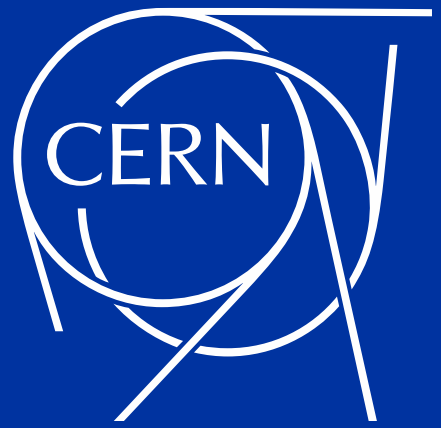

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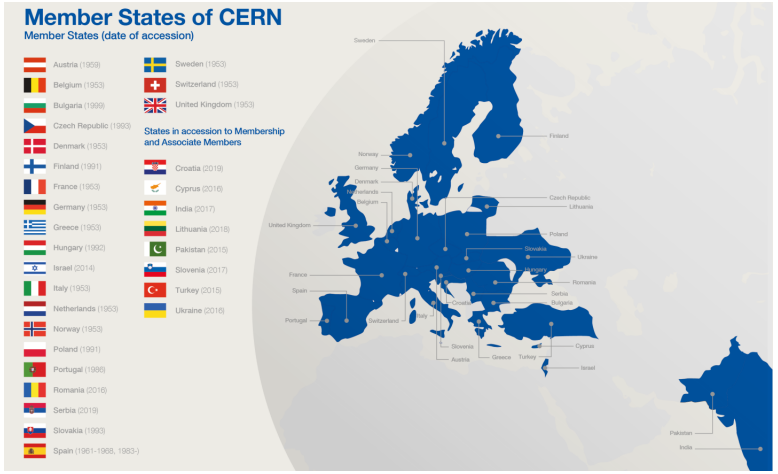
Conseil Européen pour la Recherche Nucléaire

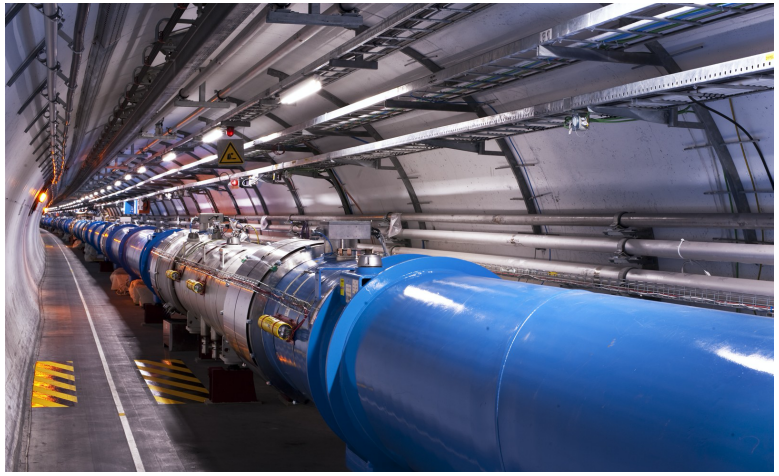
International Collaboration

Education

Fundamental Research

New Technology





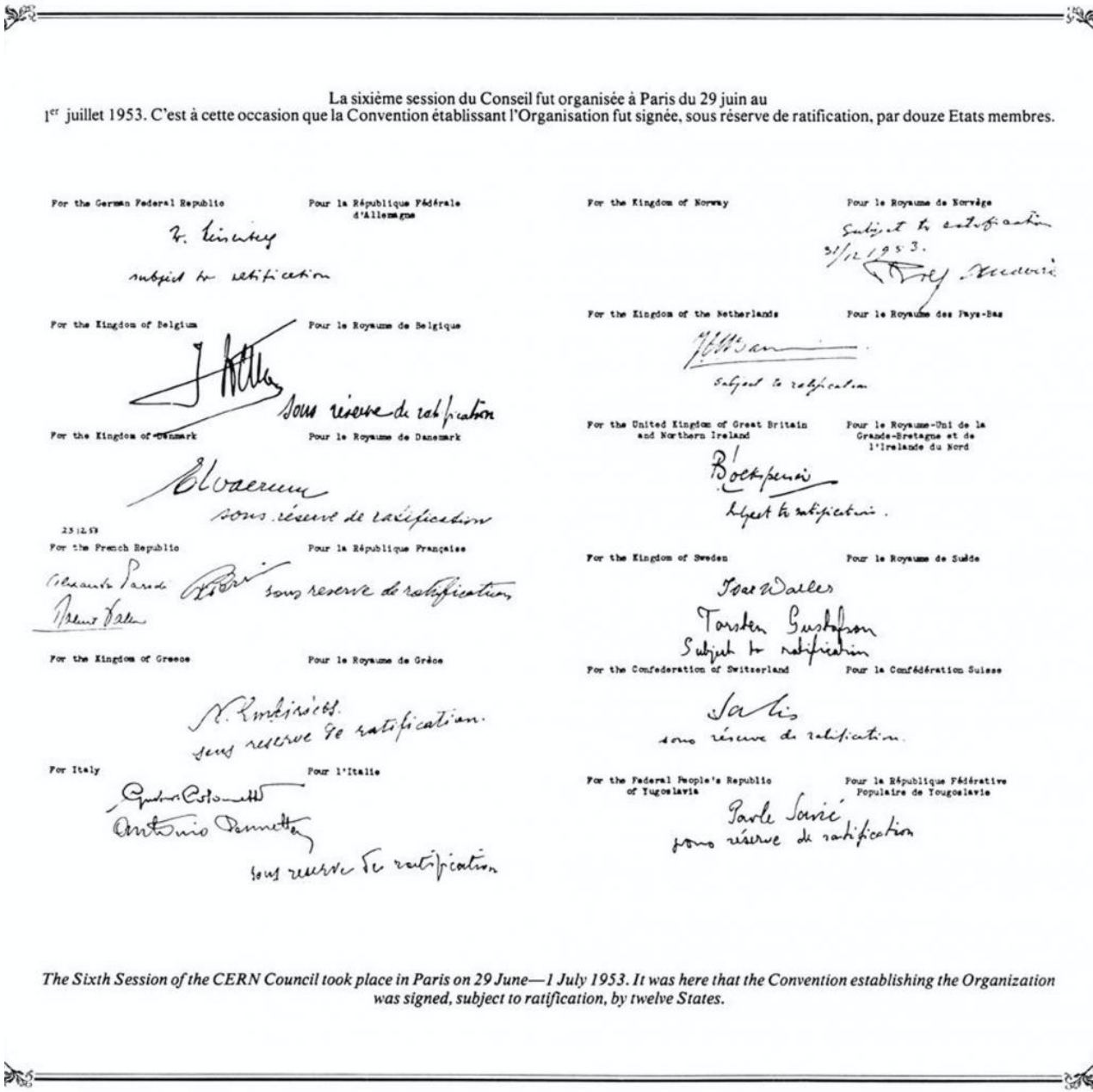
History

1949
First steps towards civilian research in the field of nuclear technology

1952
Foundation of CERN under the auspices of UNESCO in Geneva

1953
Signing of the CERN charta

1954
Completion of the ratification process of the 12 Member States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For the German Federal Republic — Pour la République Fédérale d'Allemagne
subject to ratification

For the Kingdom of Norway — Pour le Royaume de Norvège
Subject to ratification 31/12 1953.

For the Kingdom of Belgium — Pour le Royaume de Belgique
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For the Kingdom of the Netherlands — Pour le Royaume des Pays-Bas
Subject to ratification

For the Kingdom of Denmark — Pour le Royaume de Danemark
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For the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland — Pour le Royaume-Uni de la Grande-Bretagne et de l'Irlande du Nord
Objet to ratification.

23/12/53
For the French Republic — Pour la République Française
sous reserve de ratification

For the Kingdom of Sweden — Pour le Royaume de Suède
Subject to ratification

For the Kingdom of Greece — Pour le Royaume de Grèce
sous réserve de ratification.

For the Confederation of Switzerland — Pour la Confédération Suisse
sous réserve de ratification

For Italy — Pour l'Italie
sous reserve de ratification

For the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia — Pour la République Fédérative Populaire de Yougoslavie
sous réserve de ratification

The Sixth Session of the CERN Council took place in Paris on 29 June—1 July 1953. It was here that the Convention establishing the Organization was signed, subject to ratification, by twelve States.

Member States of CERN

Member States (date of accession)

- Austria (1959)
- Belgium (1953)
- Bulgaria (1999)
- Czech Republic (1993)
- Denmark (1953)
- Finland (1991)
- France (1953)
- Germany (1953)
- Greece (1953)
- Hungary (1992)
- Israel (2014)
- Italy (1953)
- Netherlands (1953)
- Norway (1953)
- Poland (1991)
- Portugal (1986)
- Romania (2016)
- Serbia (2019)
- Slovakia (1993)
- Spain (1961-1968, 1983-)
- Sweden (1953)
- Switzerland (1953)
- United Kingdom (1953)

States in accession to Membership and Associate Members

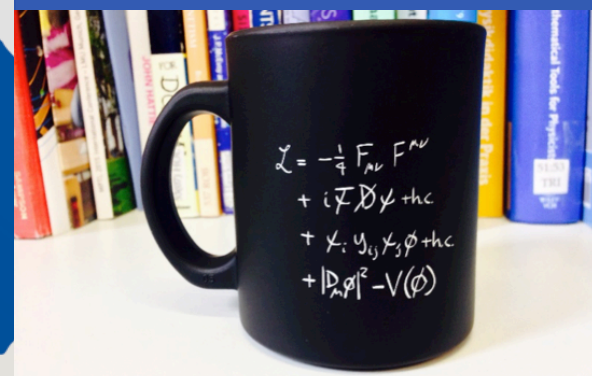
- Croatia (2019)
- Cyprus (2016)
- Estonia (2021)
- India (2017)
- Latvia (2021)
- Lithuania (2018)
- Pakistan (2015)
- Slovenia (2017)
- Turkey (2015)
- Ukraine (2016)

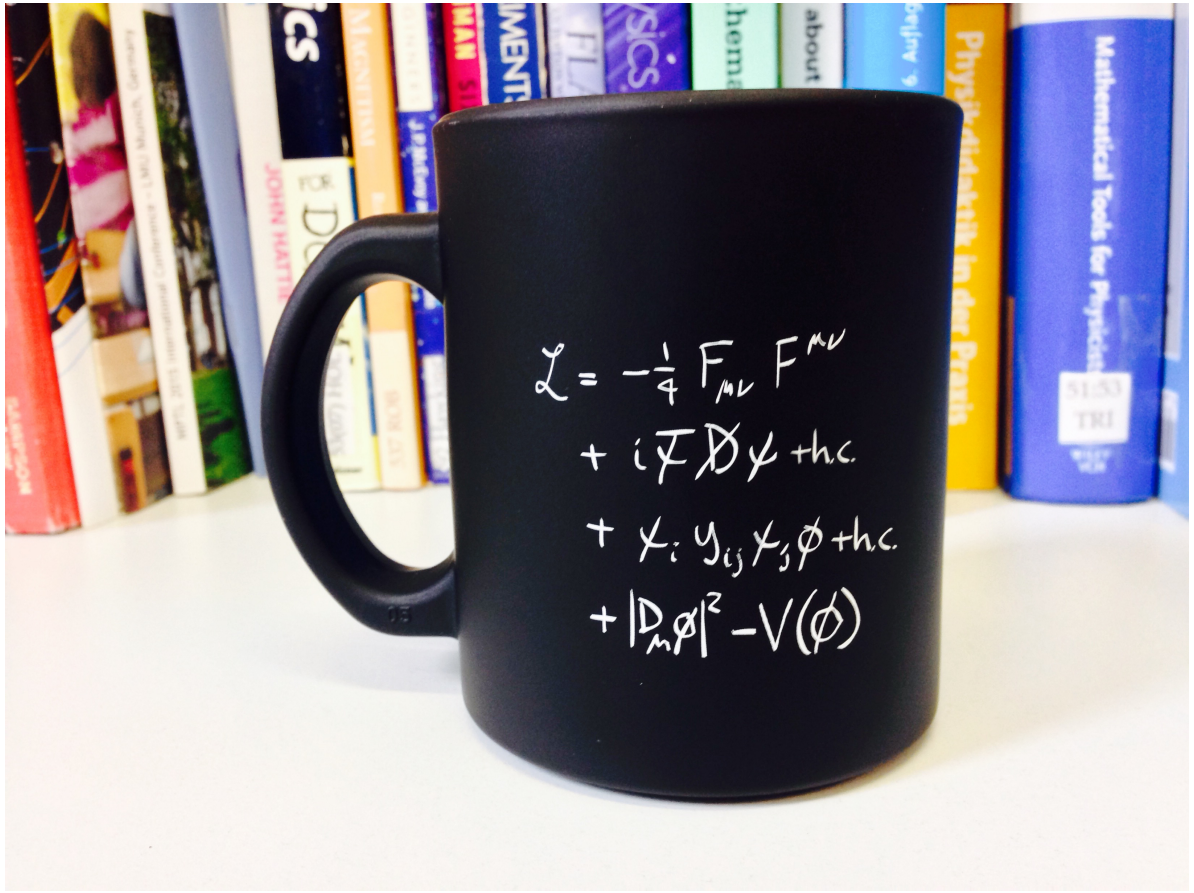
CERN Today

23 Member States

10 Associate Member States

Annual budget
1.2 billion CHF
1.2 billion EUR
1.3 billion USD

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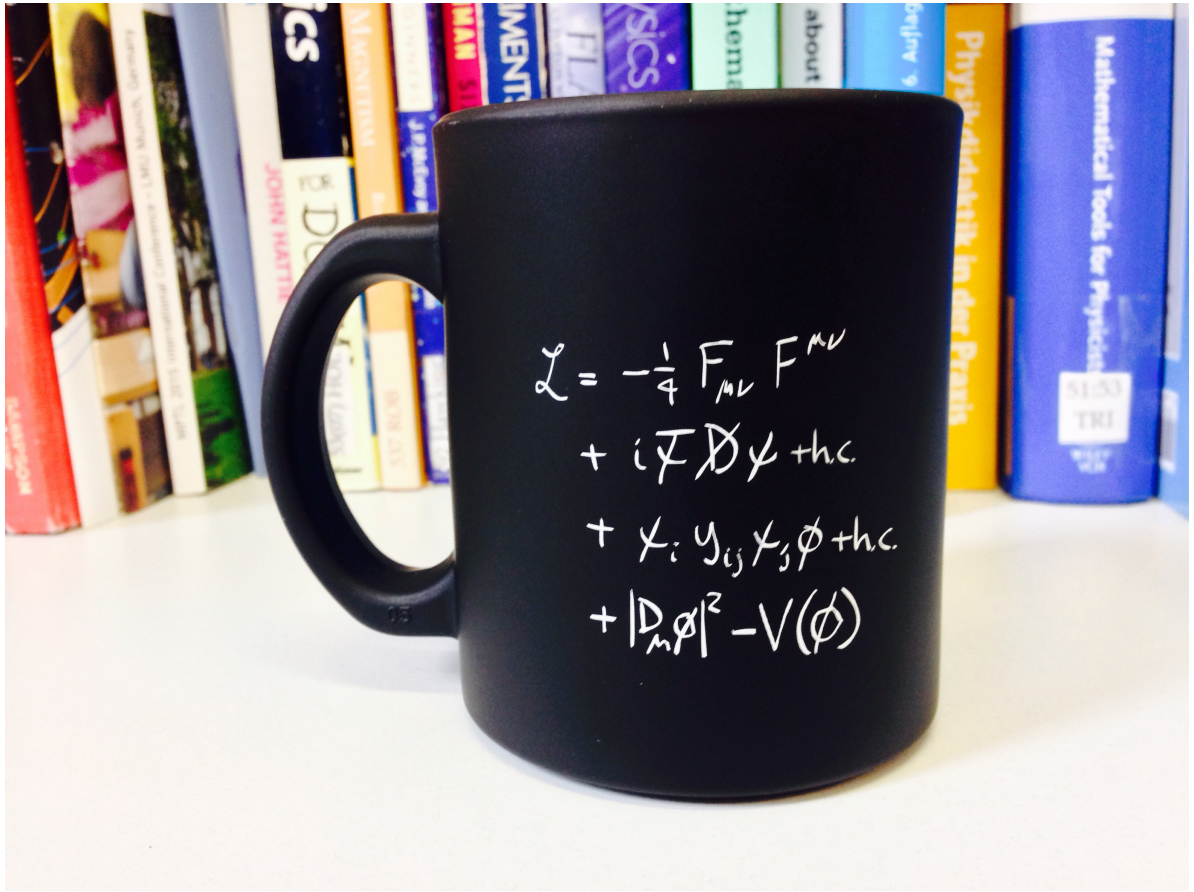

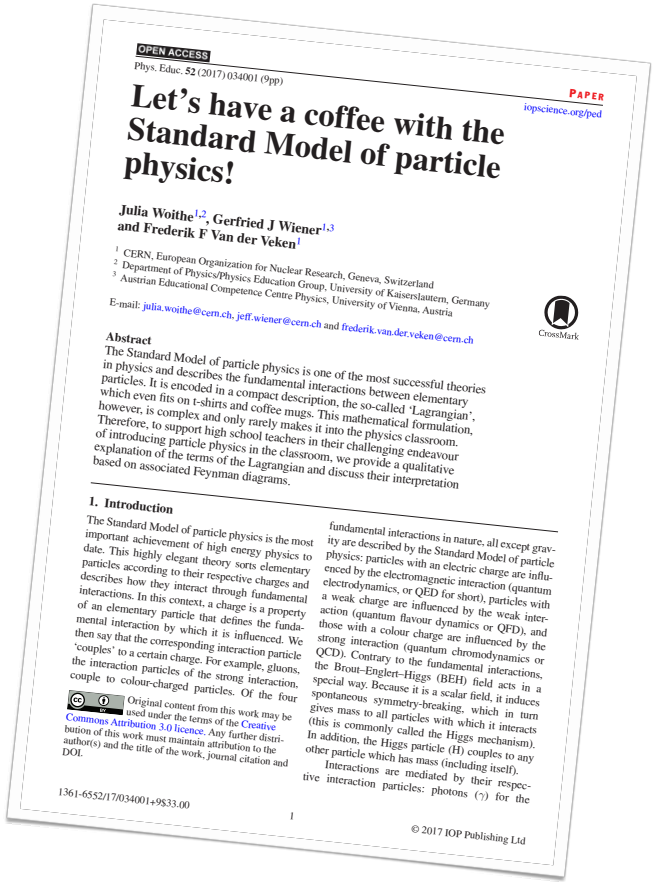

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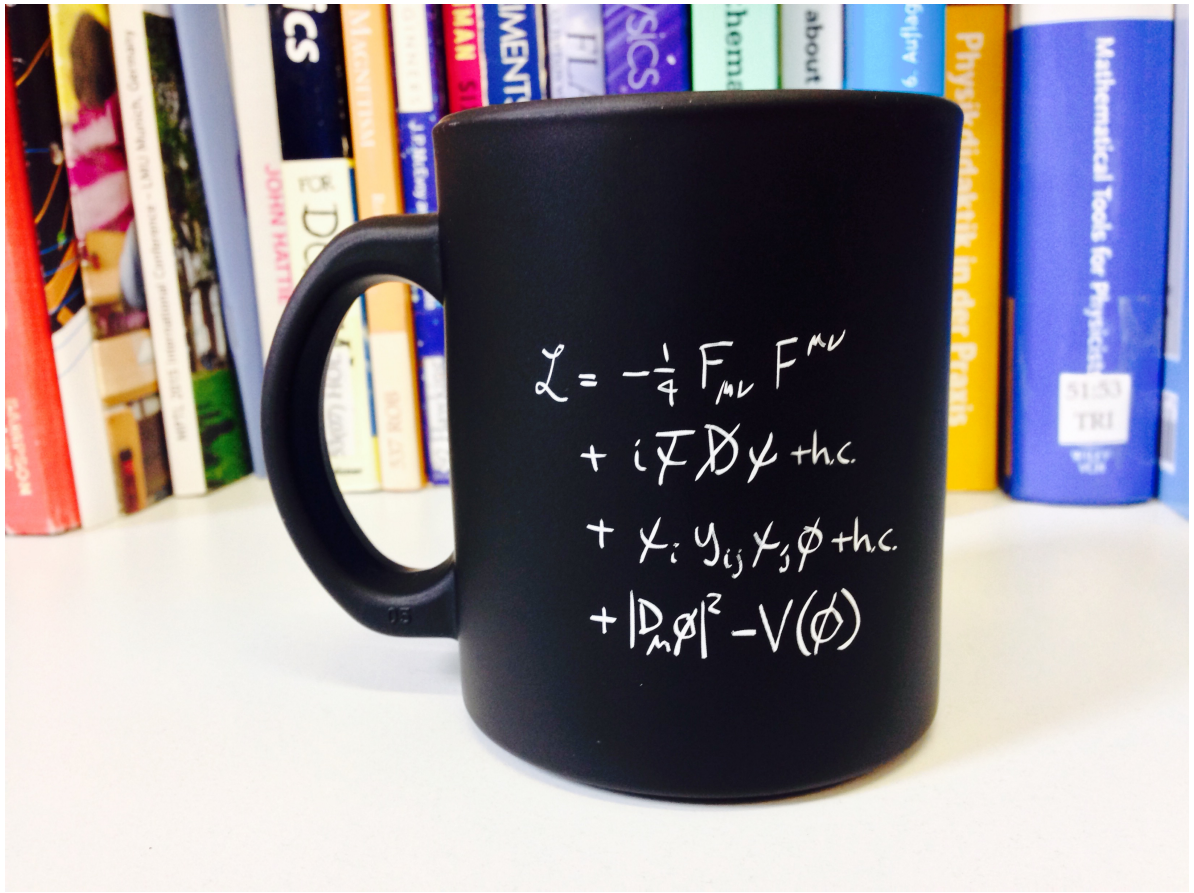

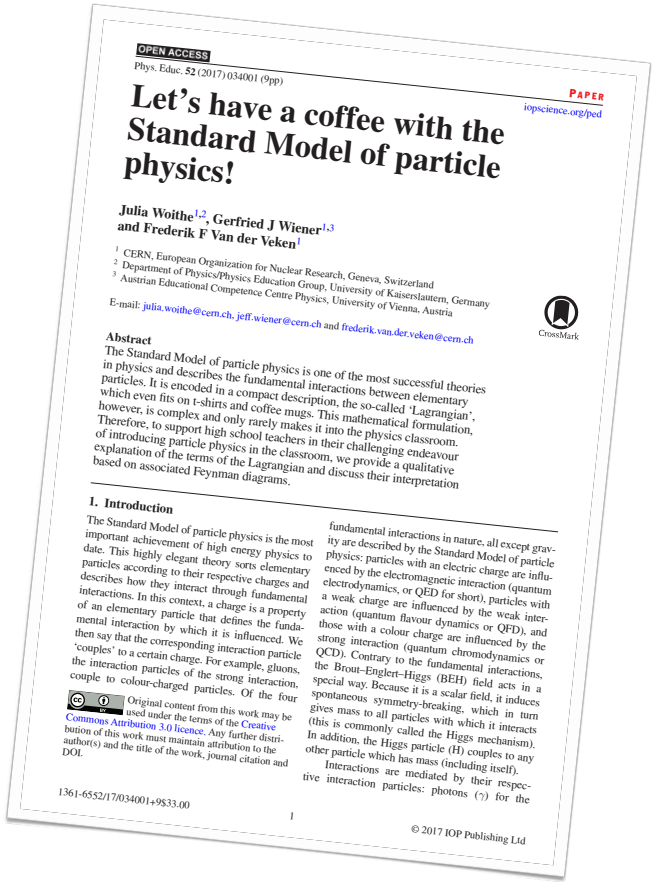

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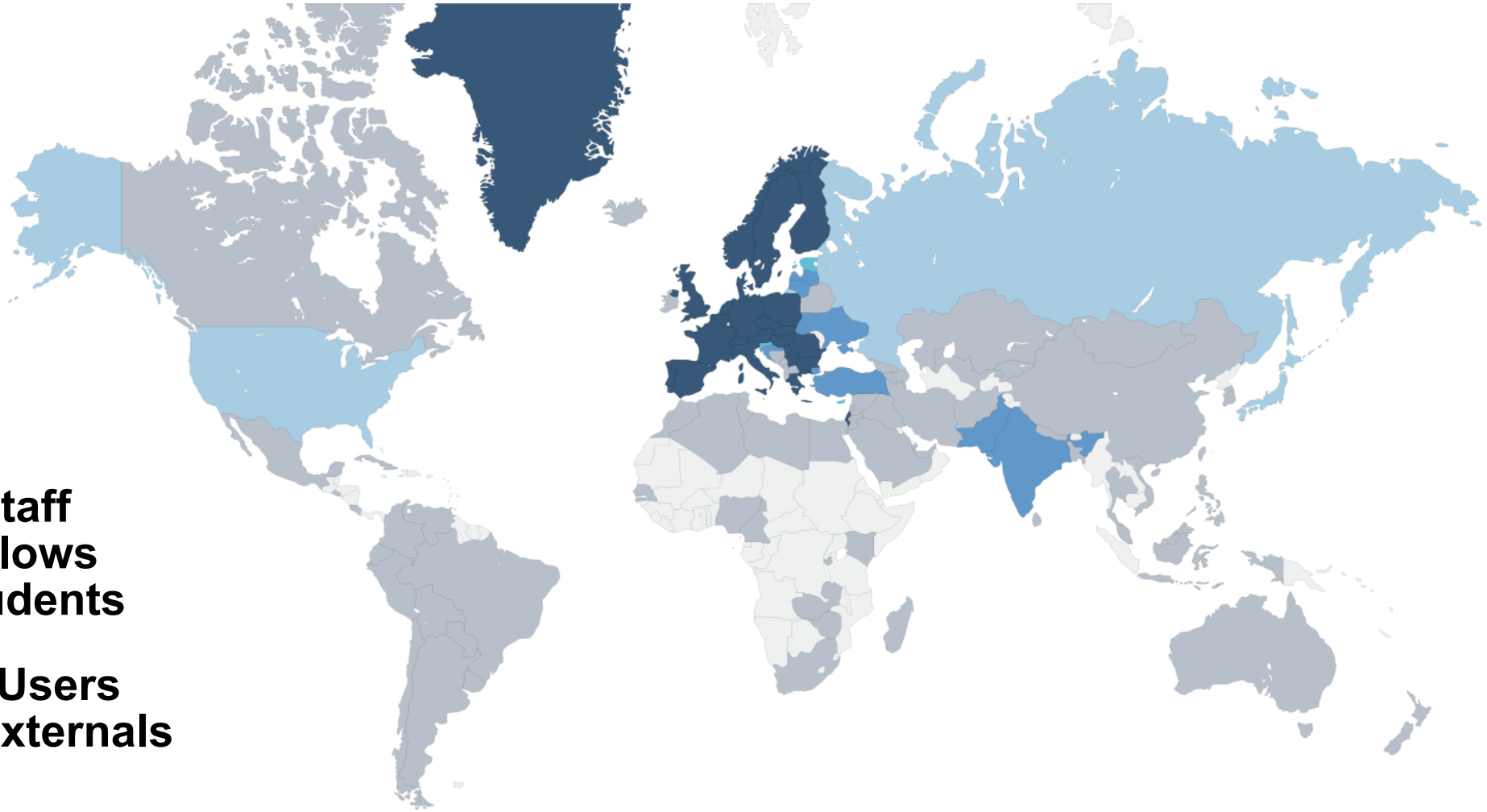

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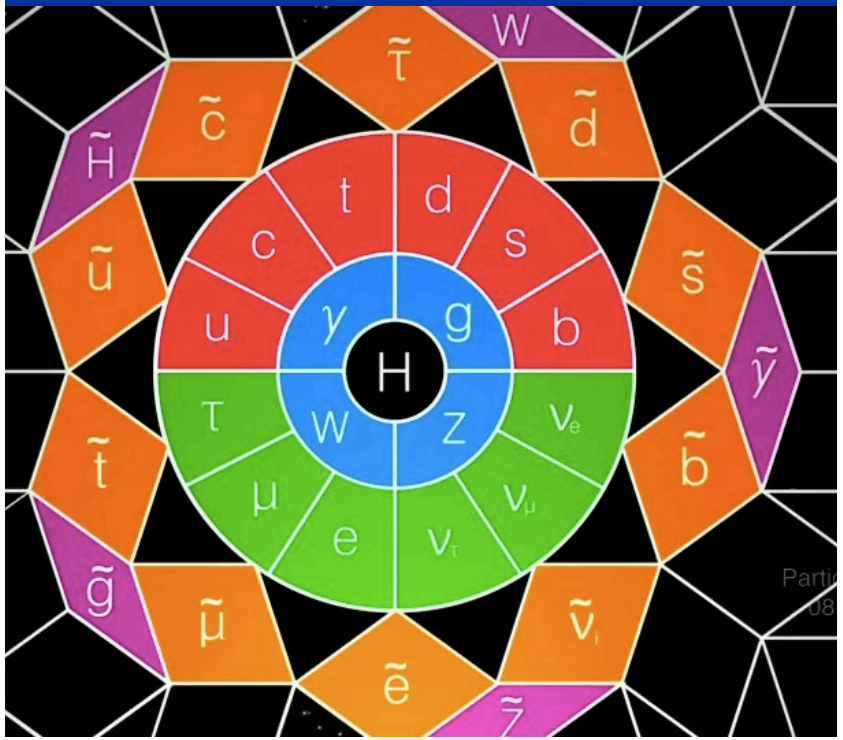
What are we made of?



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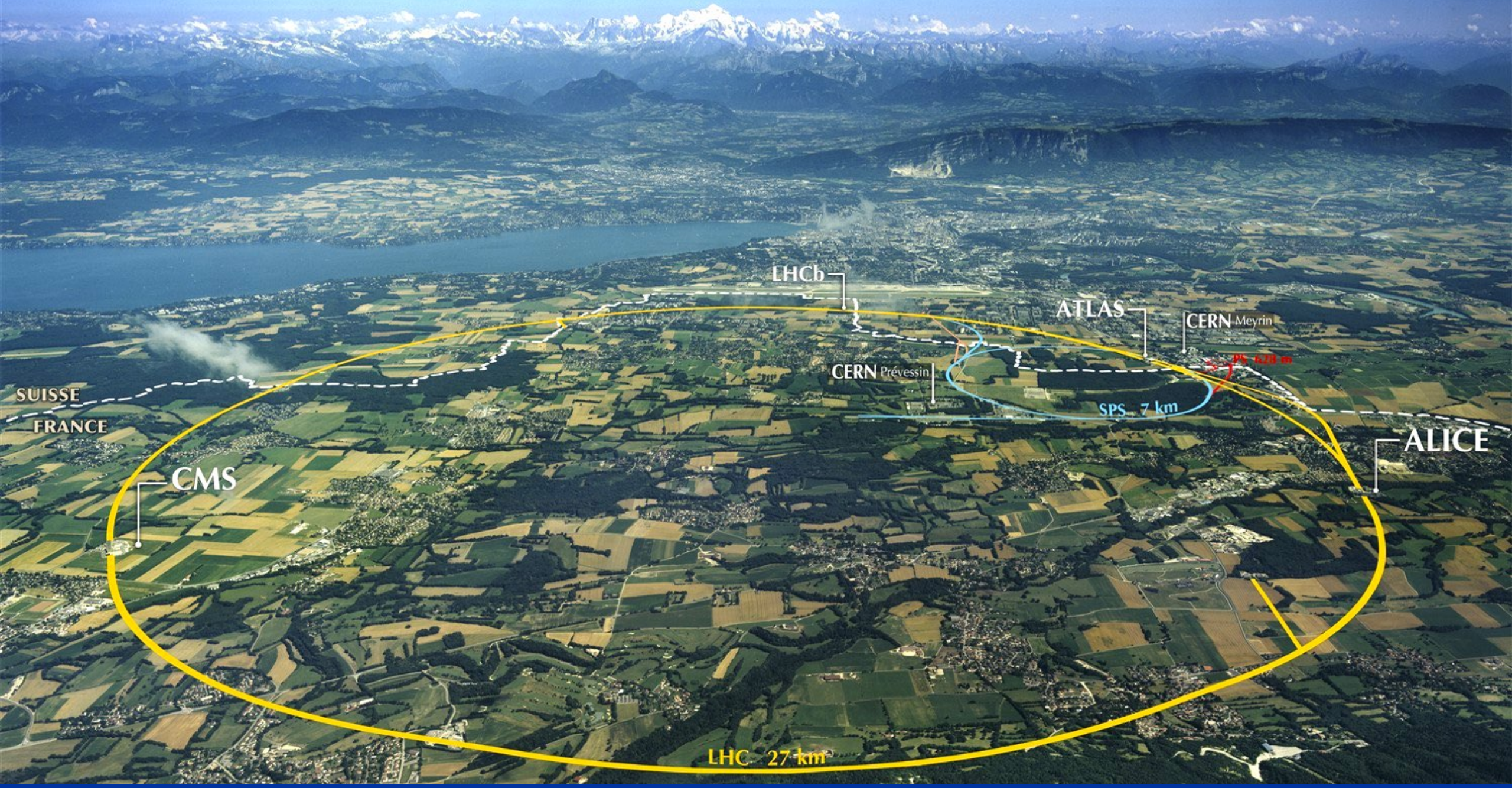
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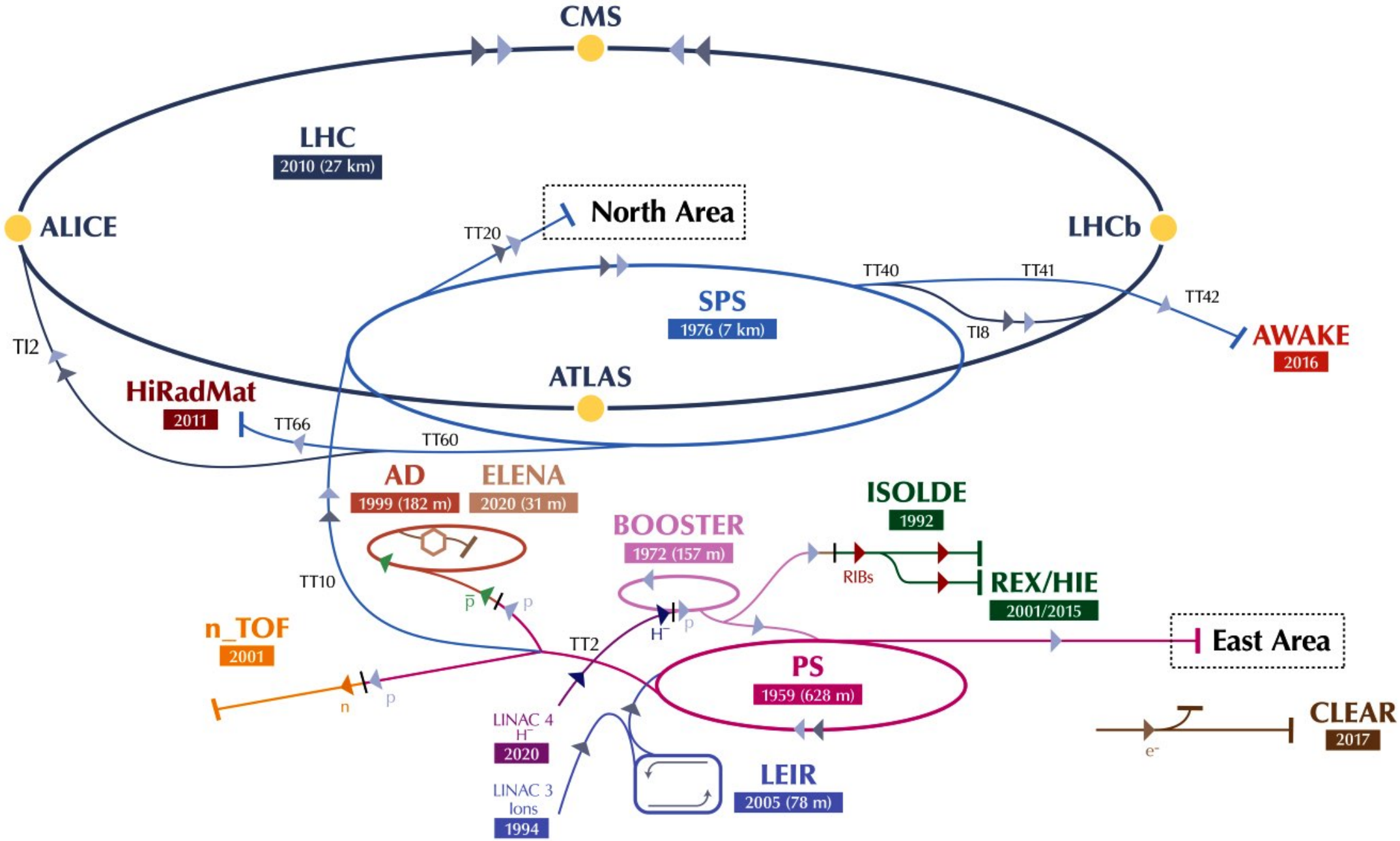
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2016
TI2
ATLAS
HiRadMat
2011
TT66
TT60
AD
1999 (182 m)
ELENA
2020 (31 m)
ISOLDE
1992
BOOSTER
1972 (157 m)
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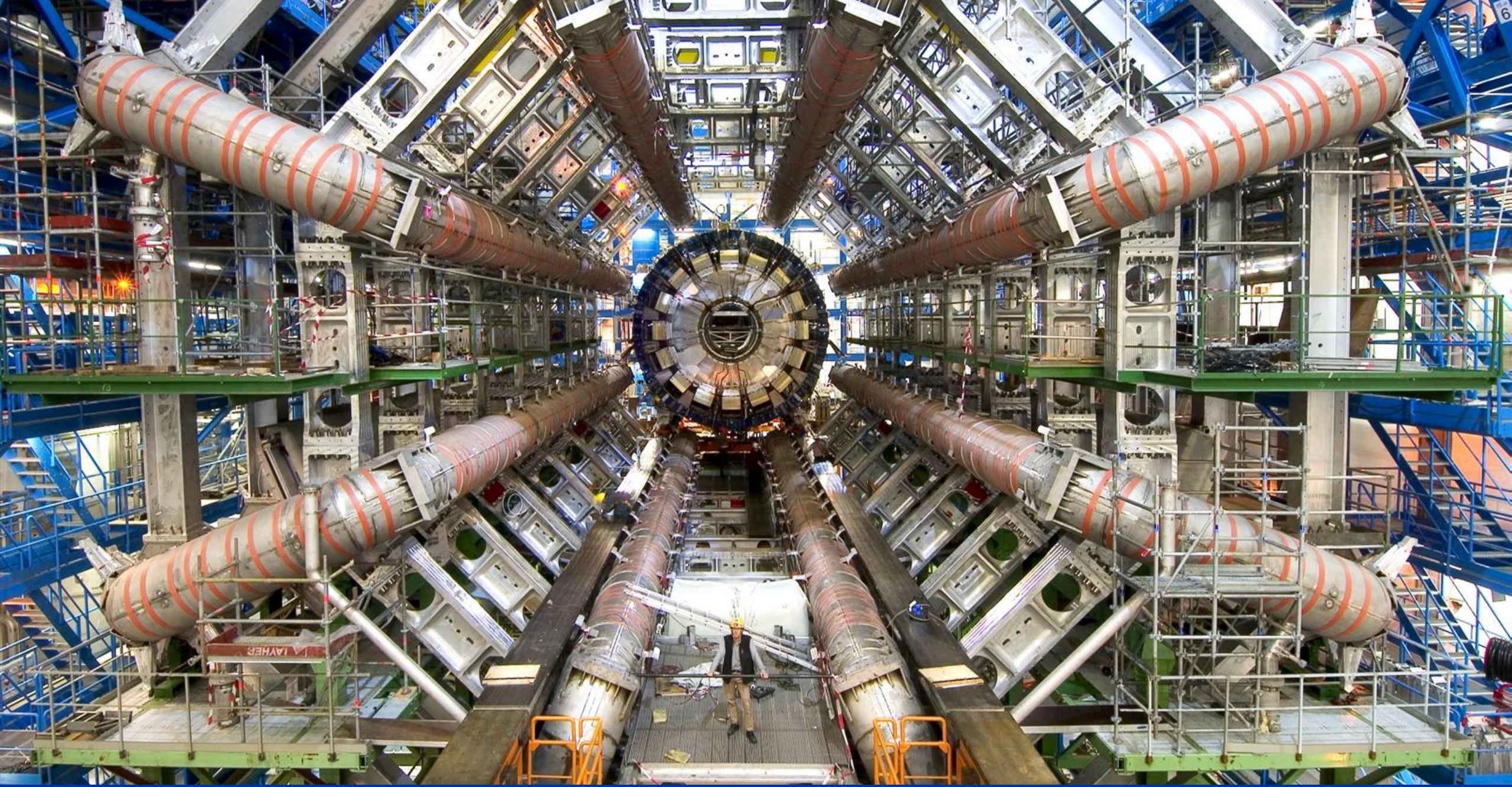

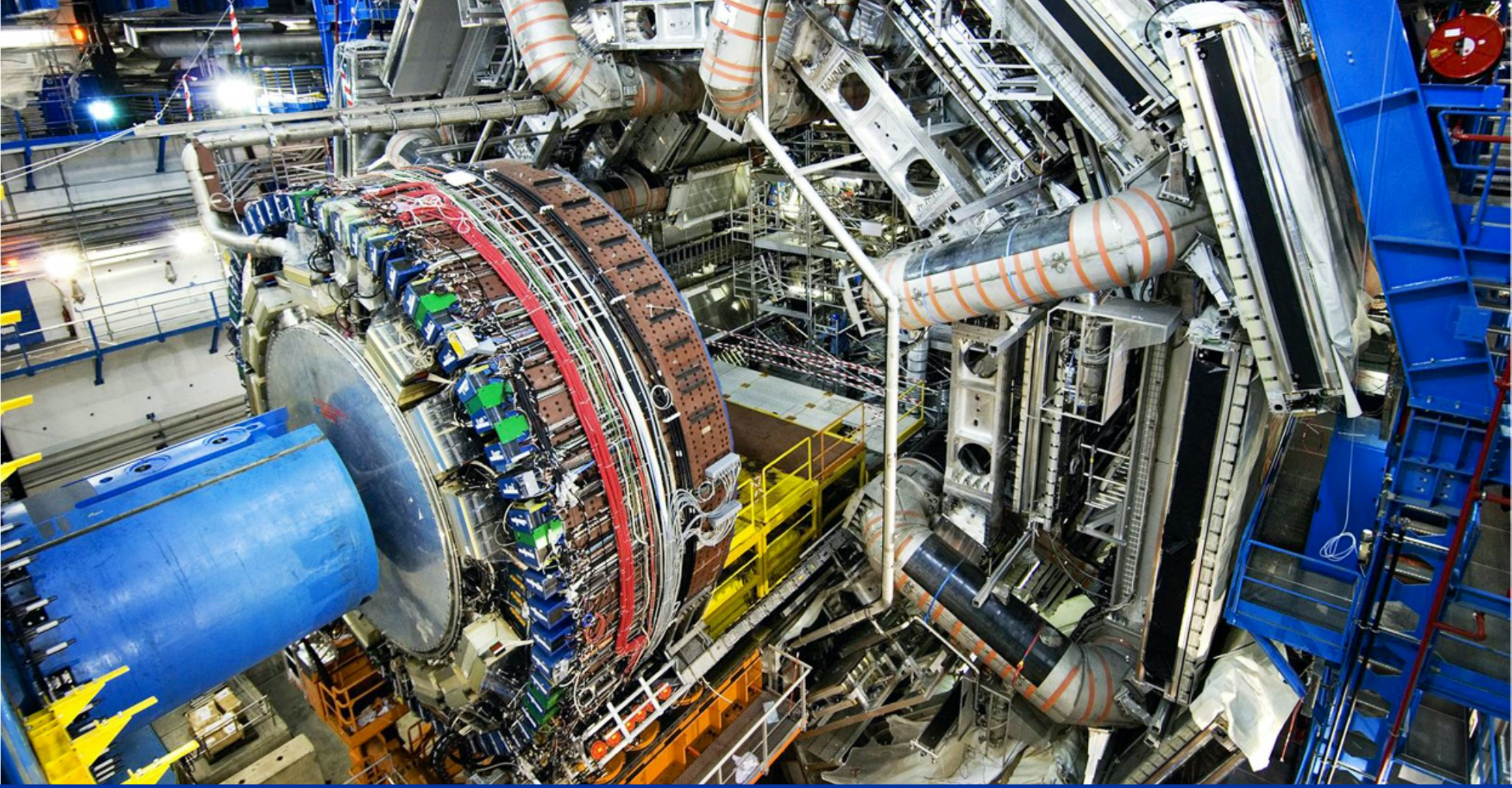

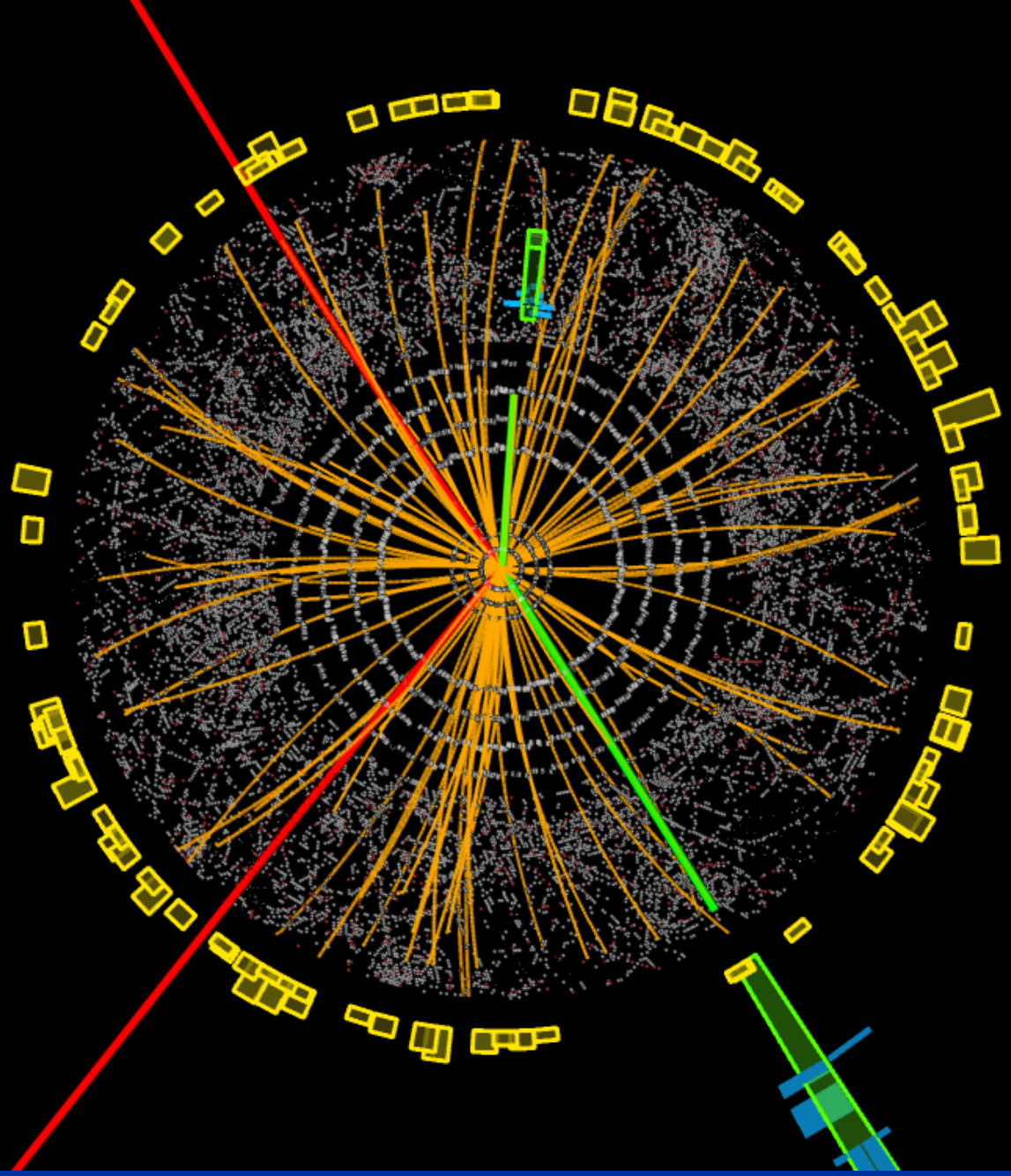

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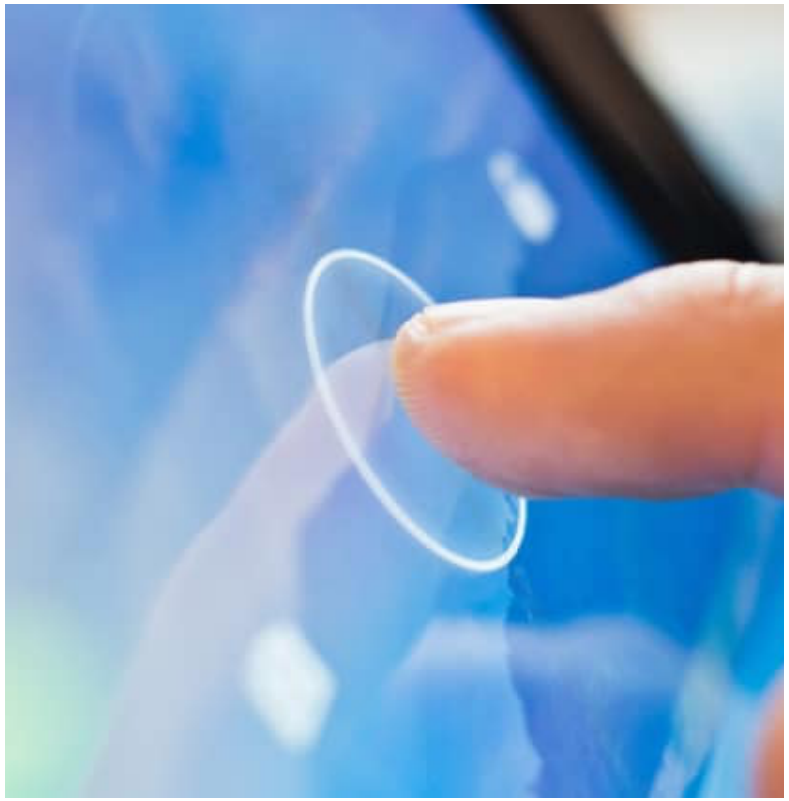

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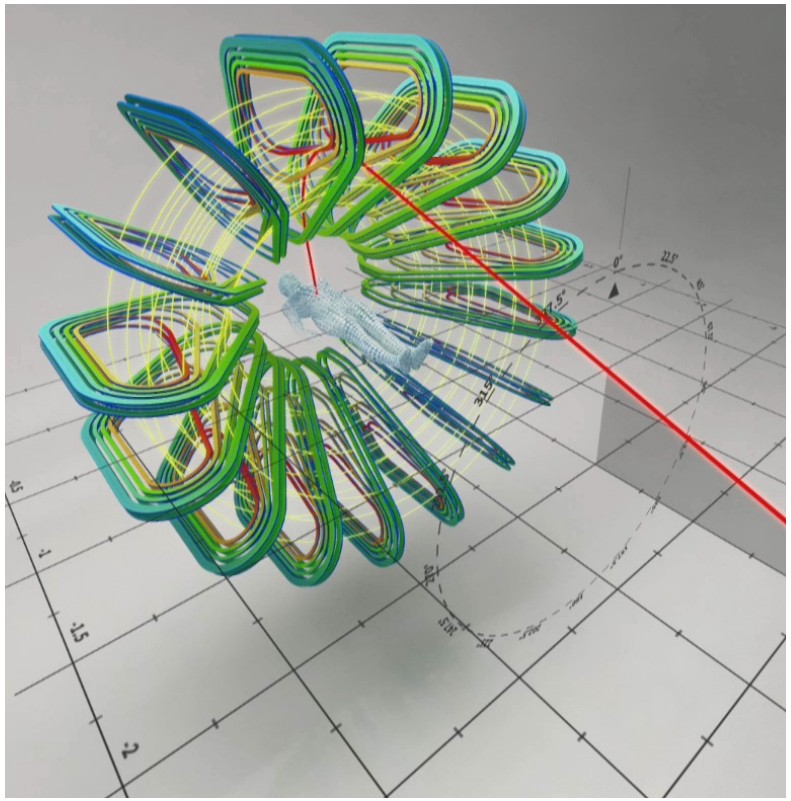

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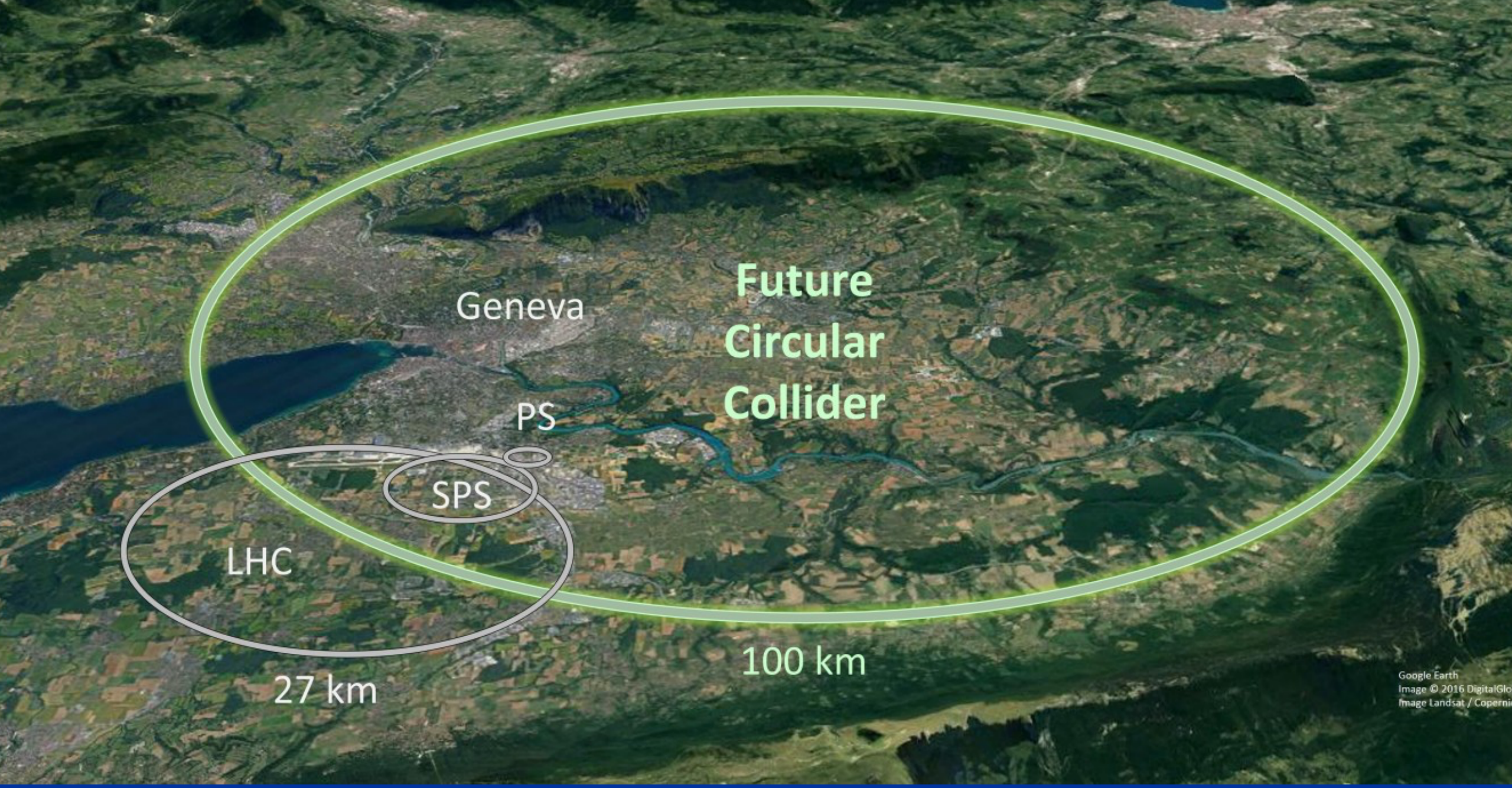
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