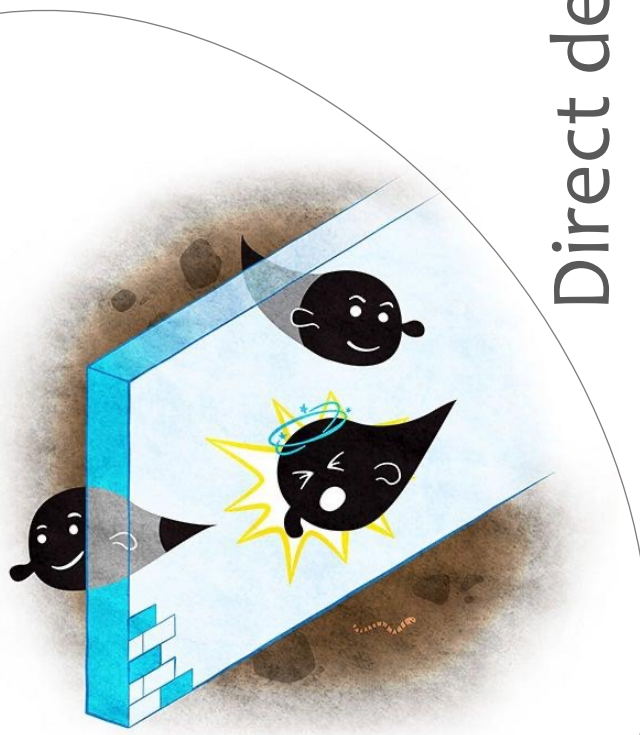


DARK MATTER SEARCHES

at colliders



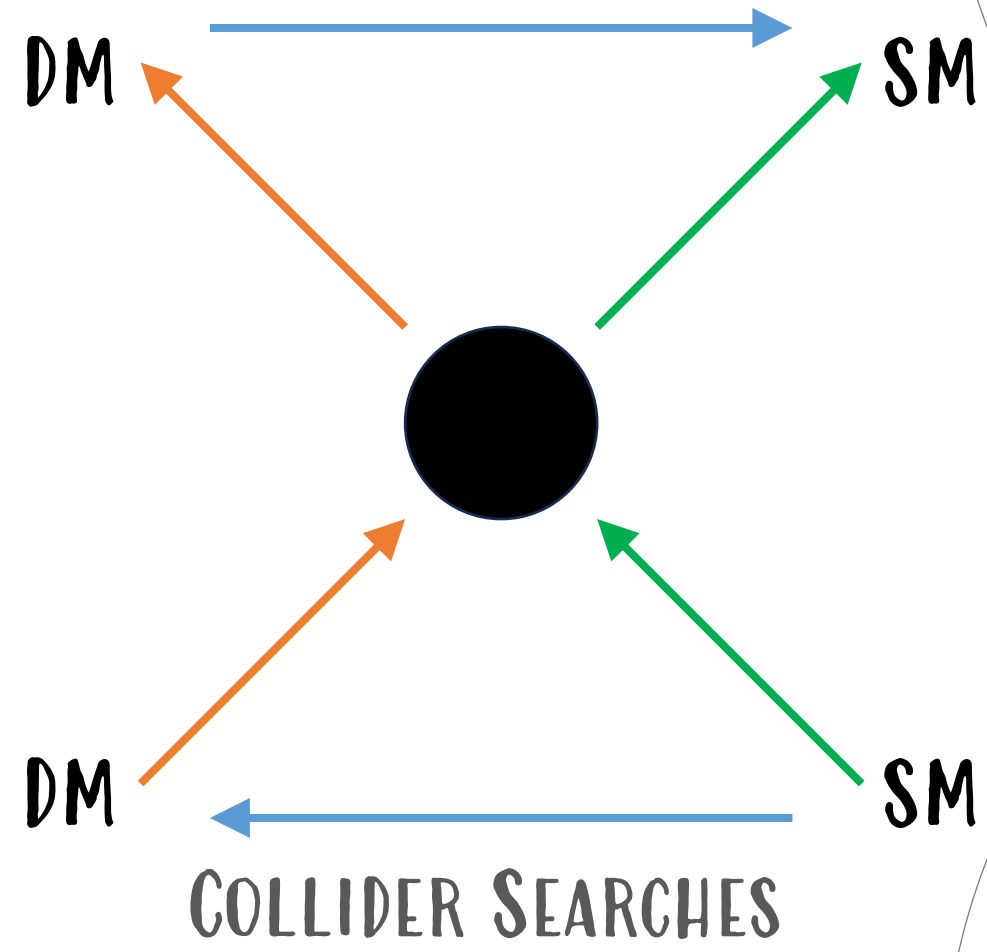
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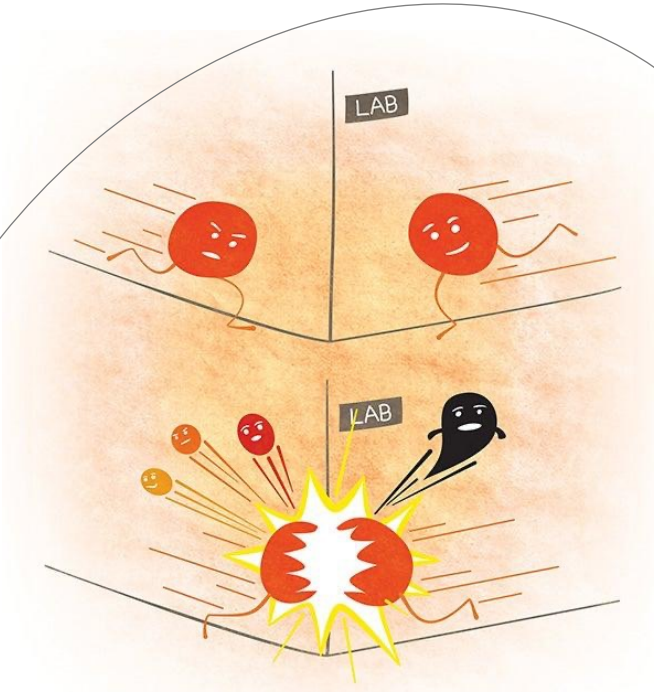
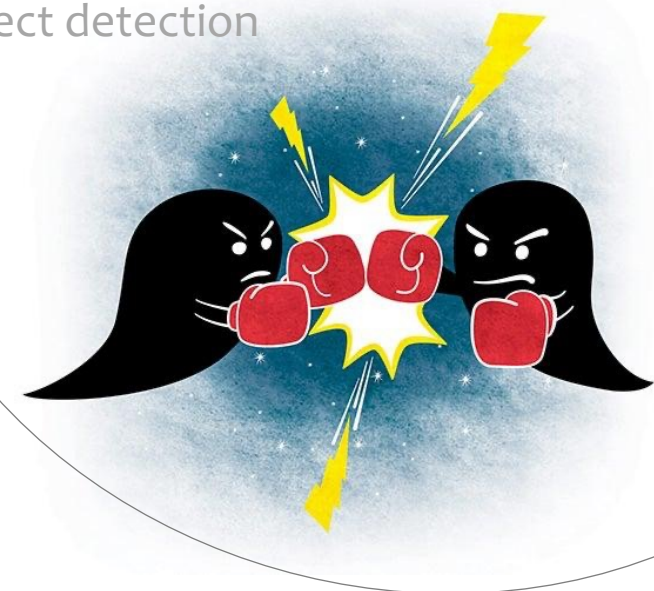
Direct detection

Direct detection
DM - NUCLEON SCATTERING

Indirect detection
DM ANNIHILATION



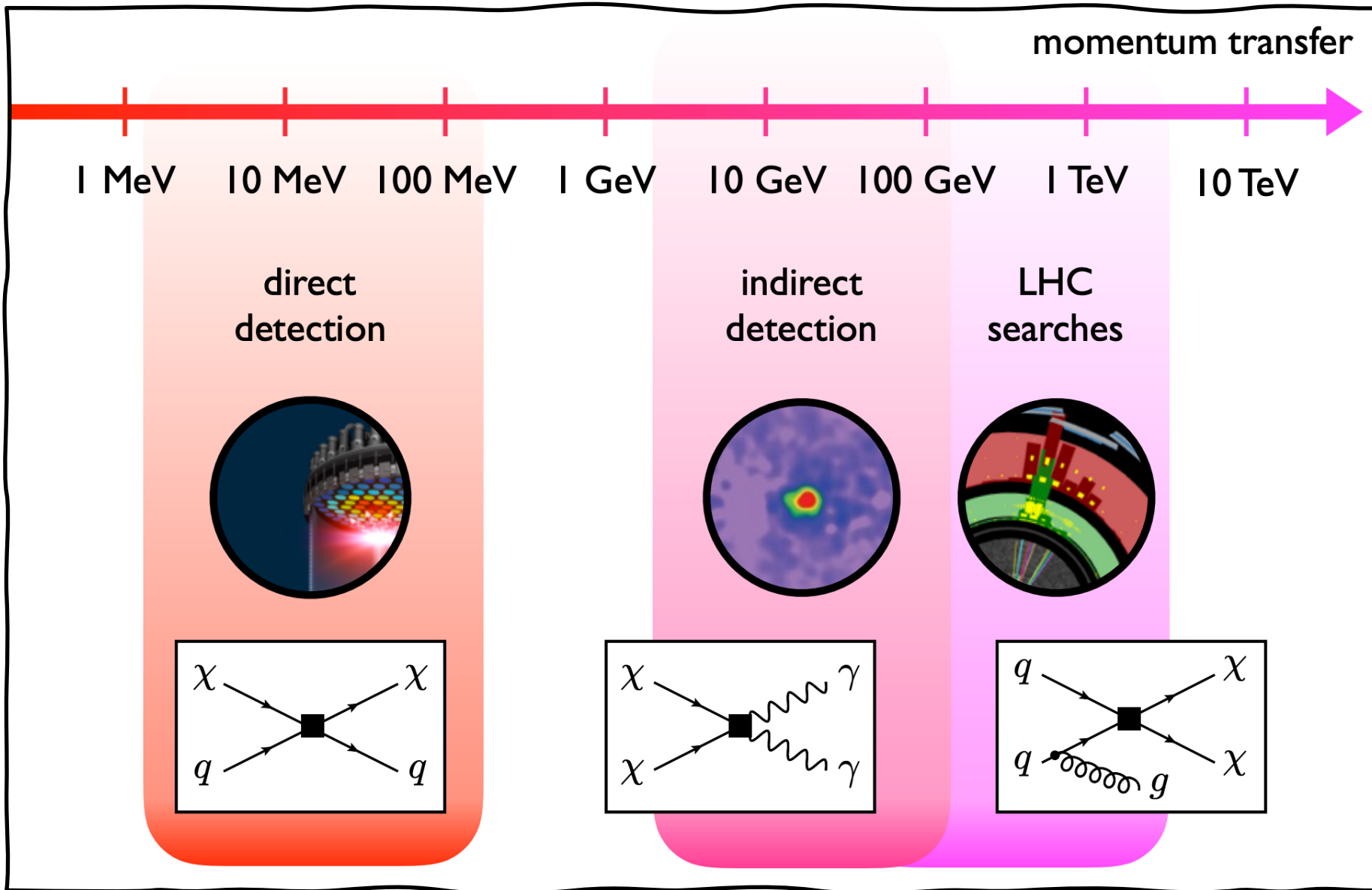
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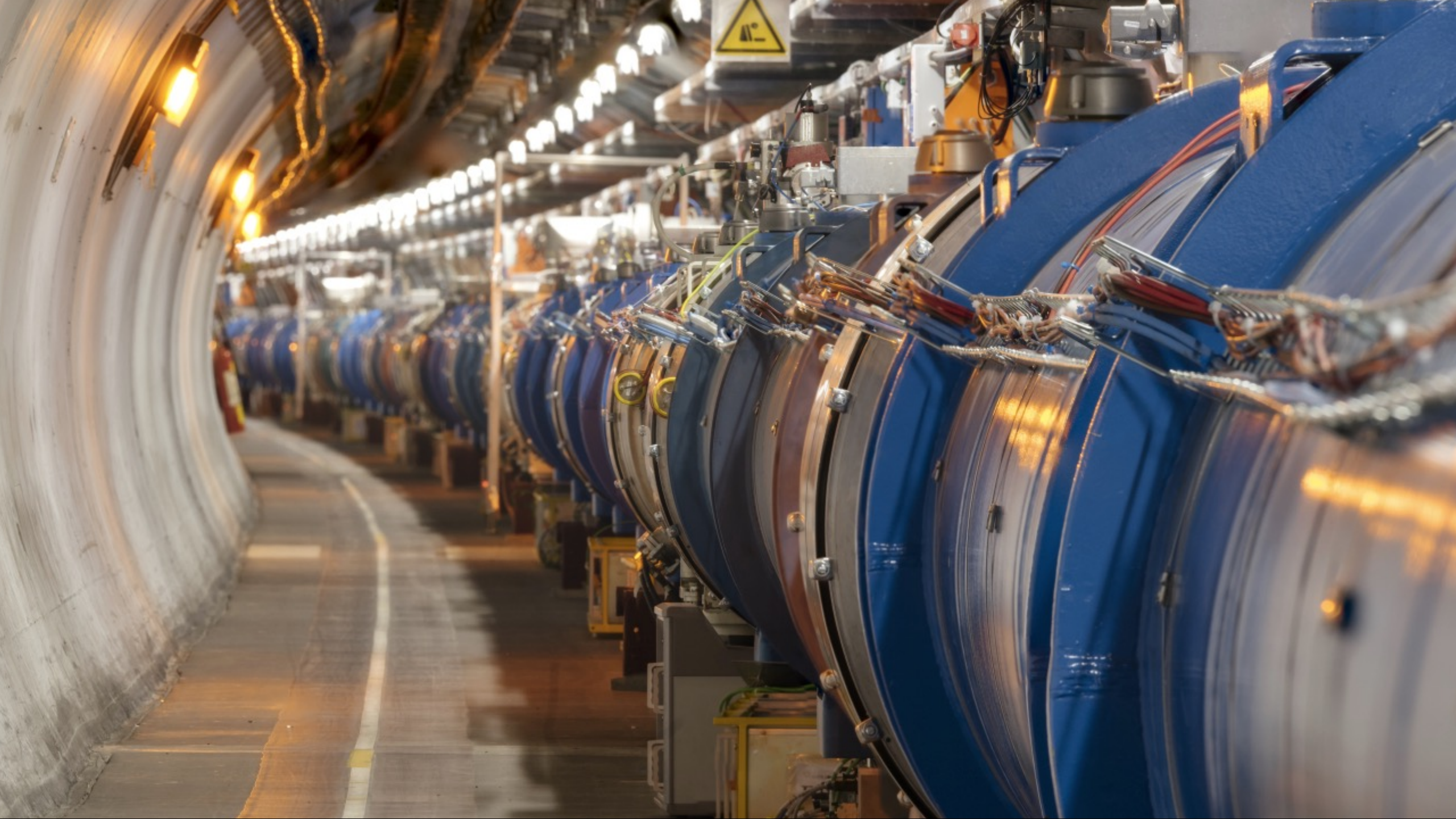
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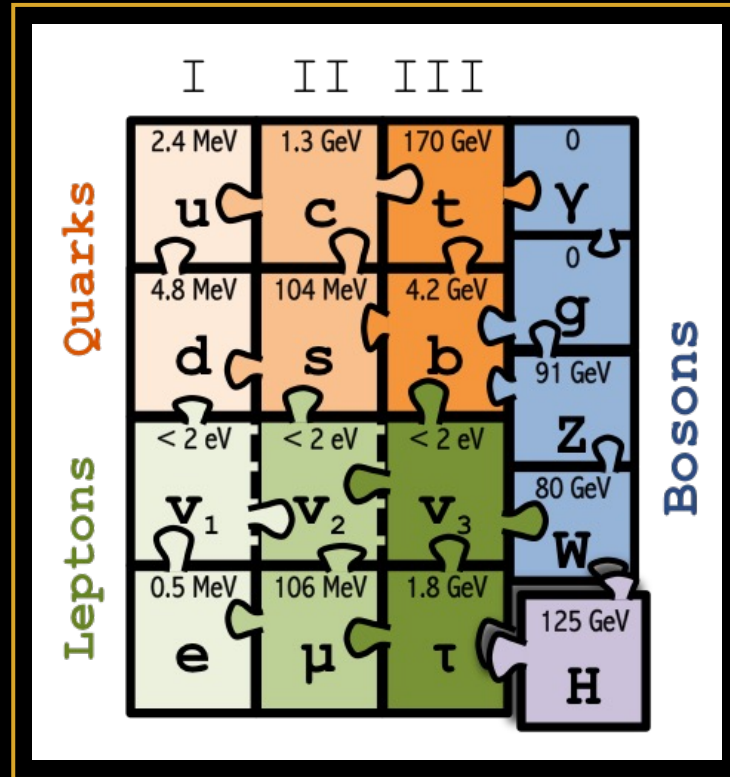
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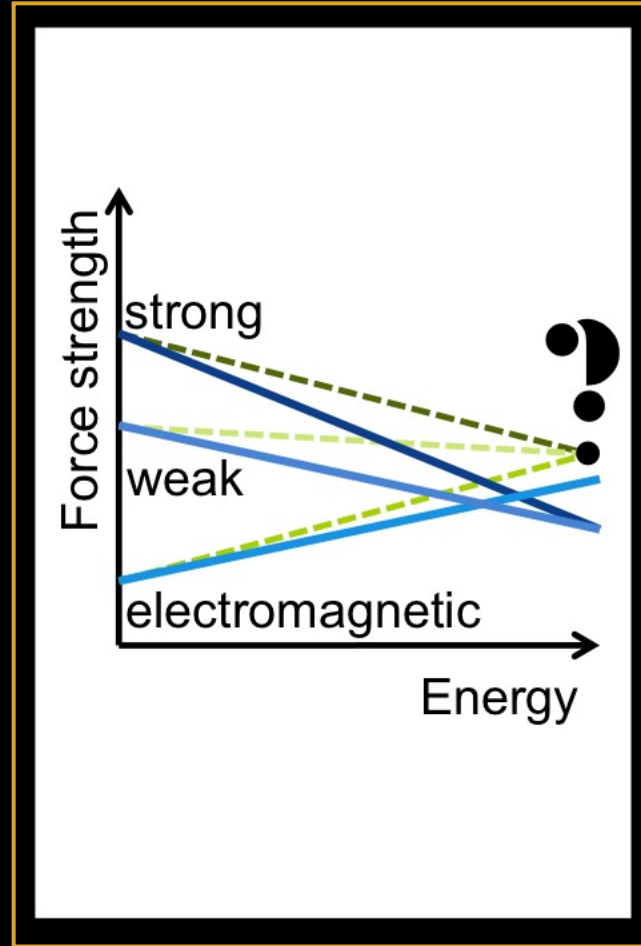
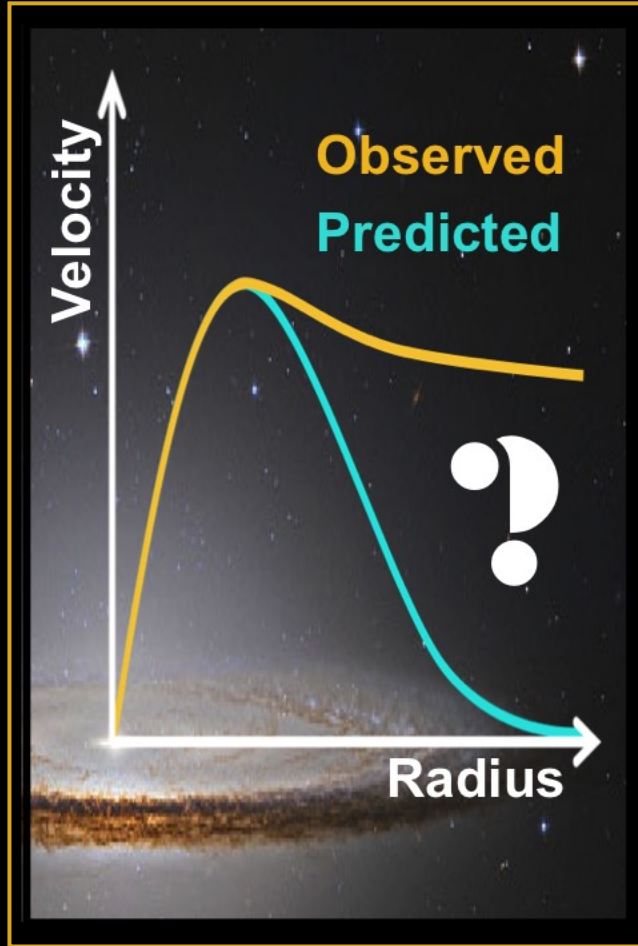
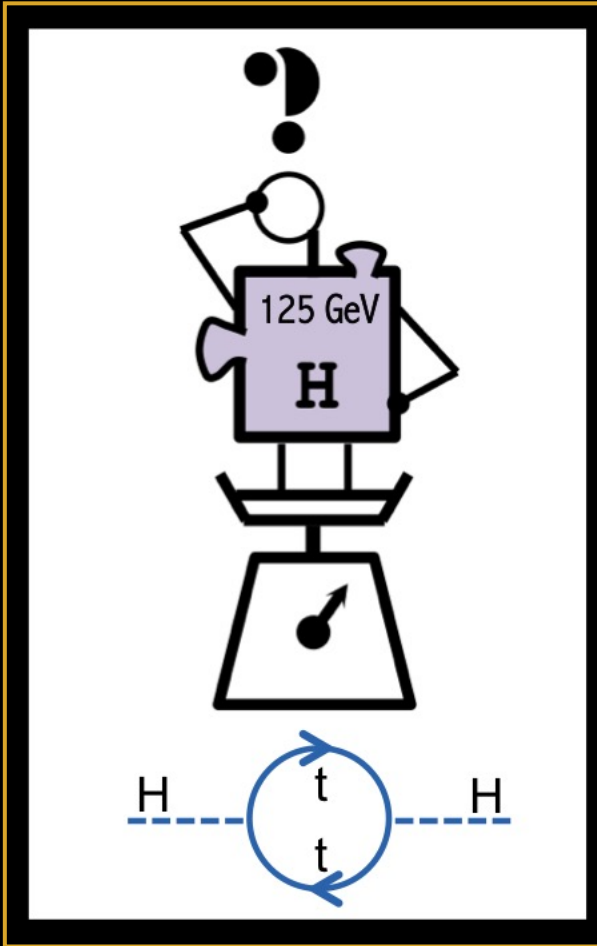




THE STANDARD MODEL



...ITS BIGGEST QUESTIONS...



...AND ITS MORE SUBTLE ONES!

The “strong CP problem”: Why does QCD preserve CP symmetry?

Within the SM, the QCD vacuum structure introduces a CP violating term in the Lagrangian:

$$L_\theta = \theta \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} F_a^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{a\mu\nu}$$

while measurements require that the vacuum angle θ is tiny!

The non-zero angle θ implies non-zero neutron electric dipole moment (EDM)

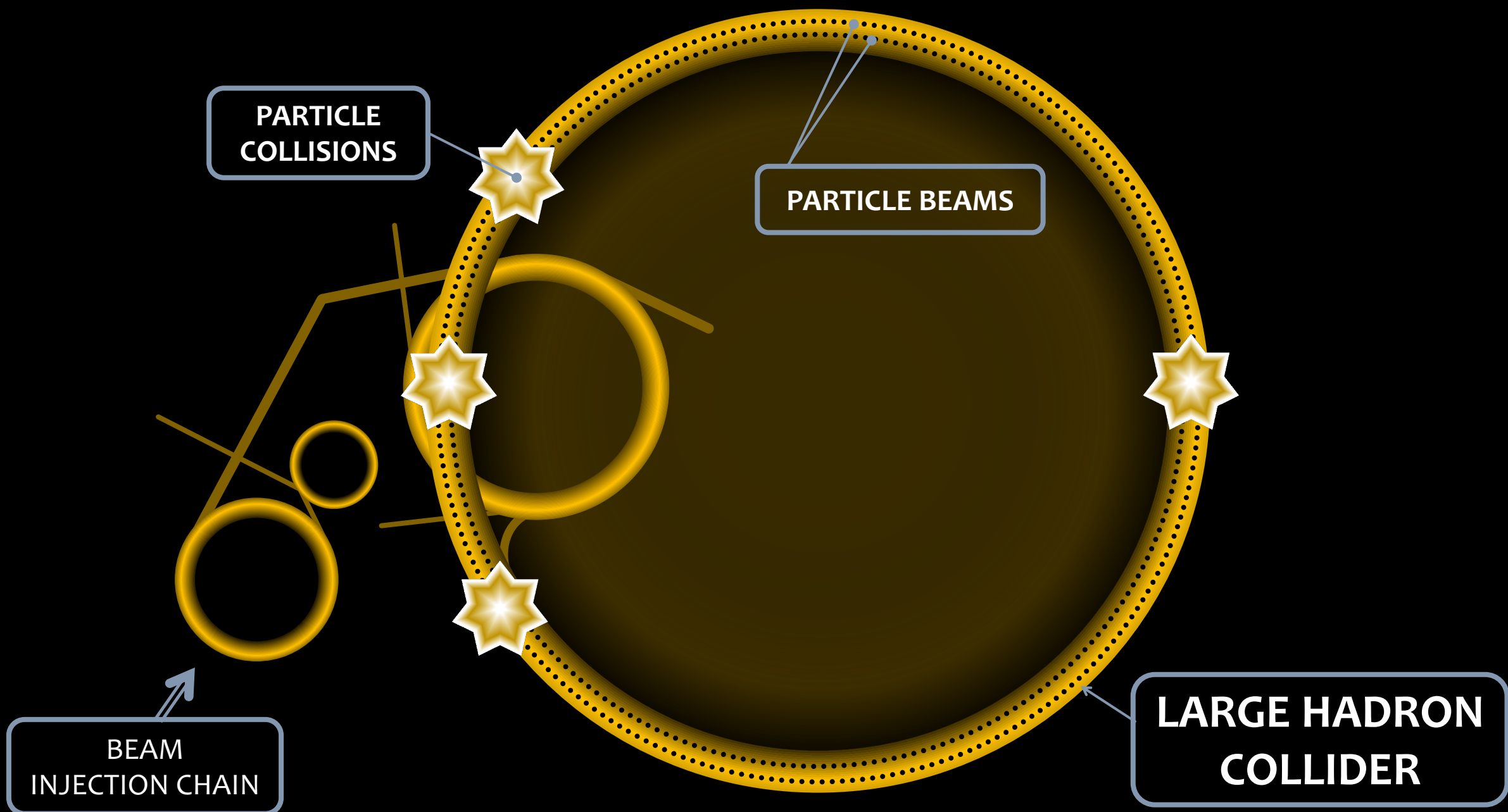
The angle is stringently constrained by neutron EDM measurements

Most sensitive measurement on the neutron EDM to date achieved by the **PSI** experiment **nEDM**:

$$d_n = (0.0 \pm 1.1_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\text{sys}}) \times 10^{-26} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}.$$

In other words,

The “strong CP problem”: Why no measurable neutron EDM?



**BEAM
INJECTION CHAIN**


**PARTICLE
COLLISIONS**

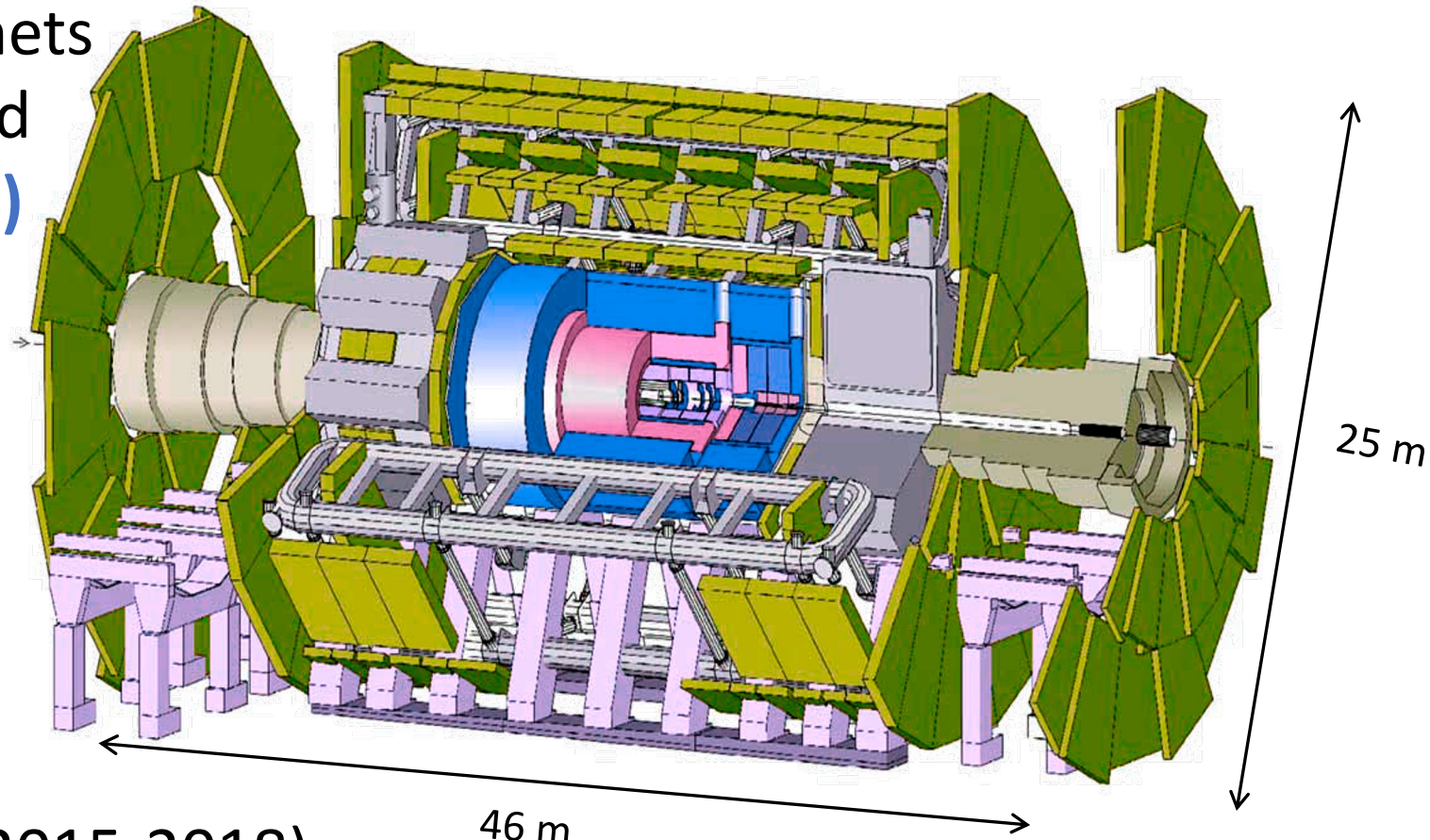
PARTICLE BEAMS

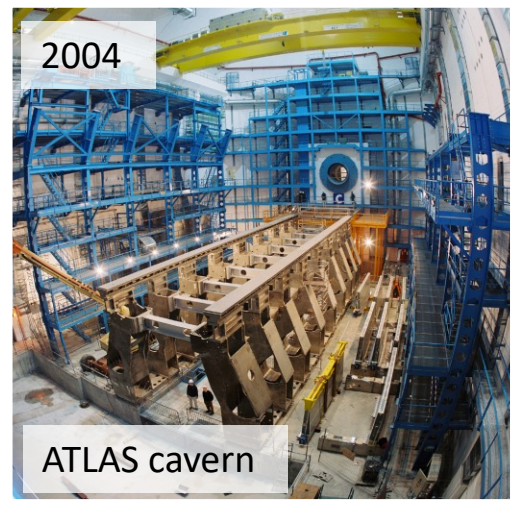
**LARGE HADRON
COLLIDER**

EXAMPLE: THE ATLAS DETECTOR IN NUMBERS



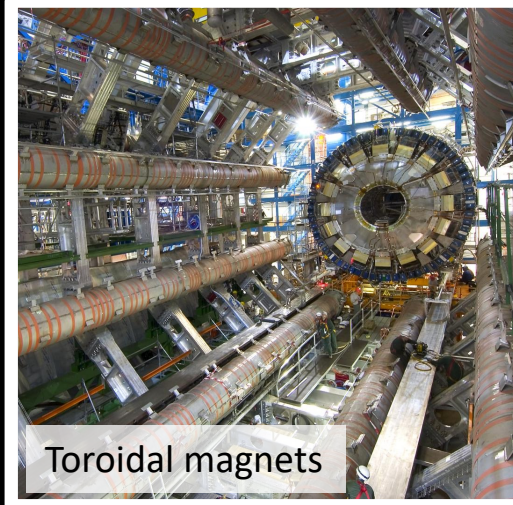
- ✓ Weights **7 ktonnes** ()
- ✓ **2-4 T** superconducting magnets
- ✓ Position of particles recorded with an accuracy of **$O(10 \mu\text{m})$**
- ✓ **100 M** channels
- ✓ **1 Giga** collisions/second
- ✓ **1000** events/second stored
- ✓ **500 PB** data on disk & tape
- ✓ **0.5 M** CPU cores used 24/7
- ✓ **20 billion** events collected (2015-2018)



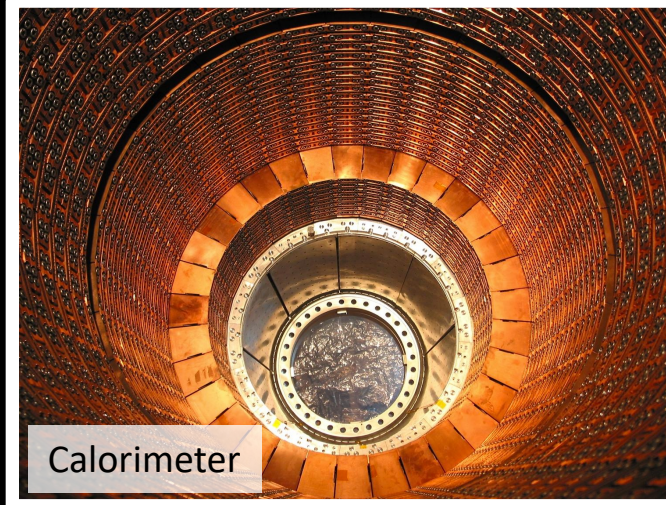


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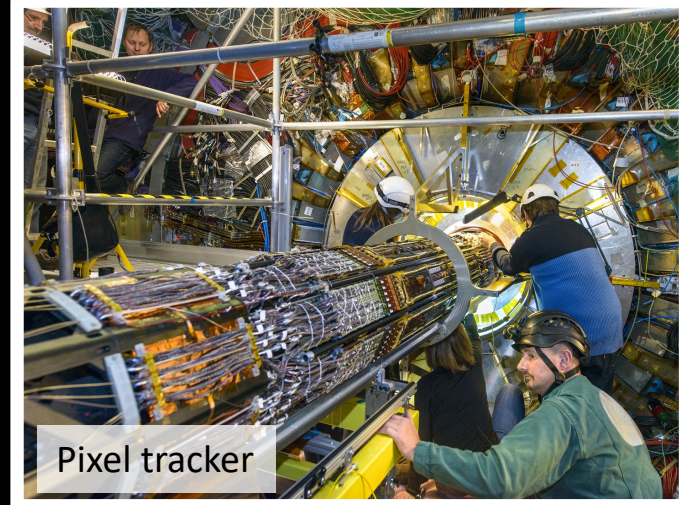
ATLAS cavern



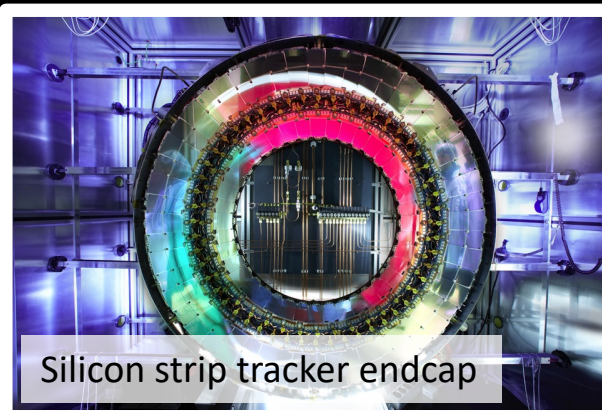
Toroidal magnets



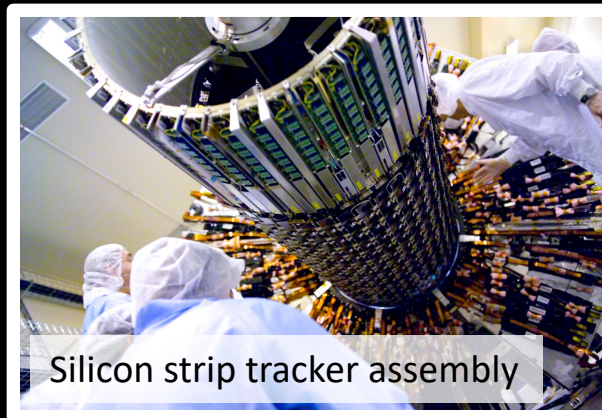
Calorimeter



Pixel tracker



Silicon strip tracker endcap



Silicon strip tracker assembly



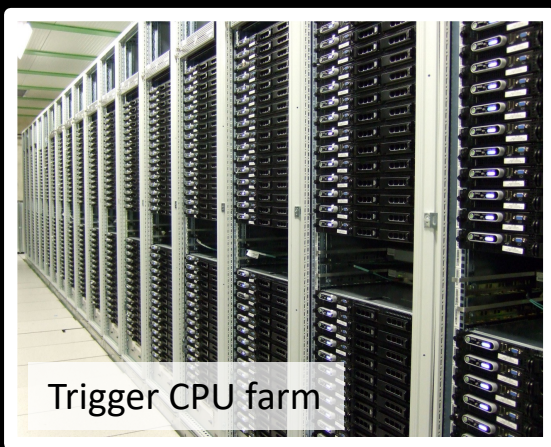
2006

Silicon strip tracker installation



2014

Innermost pixel tracker installation



Trigger CPU farm

- (Aspects relevant for all LHC detectors)**
- Fast and radiation hard sensors
 - Stability and accuracy of constructed structures
 - Extremely fast readout systems for low latency processing
 - Computing infrastructure to process enormous amounts of data

THE ATLAS COLLABORATION



3000

Scientific authors



38

Countries



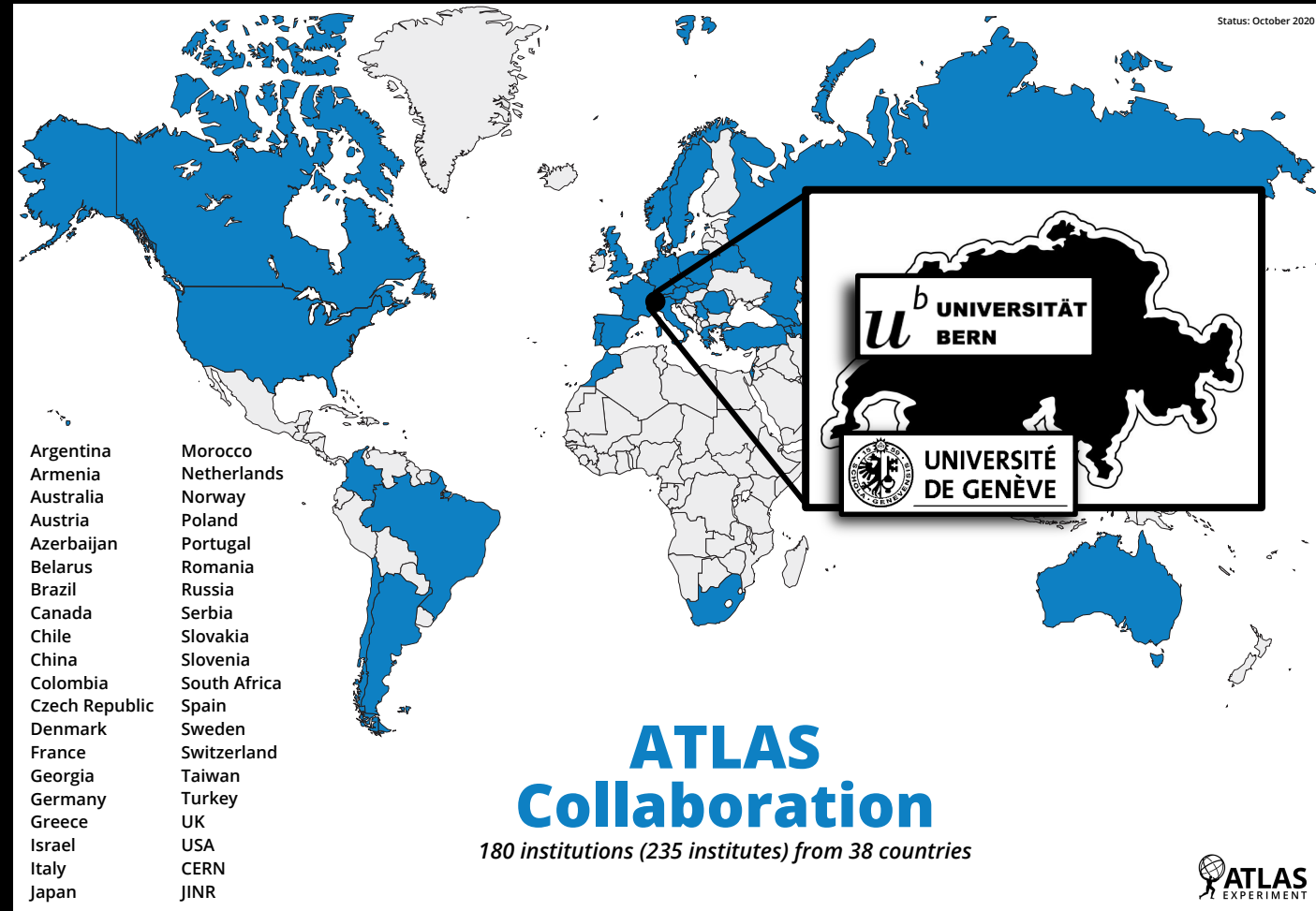
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Institutions



1200

Doctoral students





100 MeV tracks

A $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ candidate produced with 65 reconstructed proton-proton collisions.

1 GeV tracks



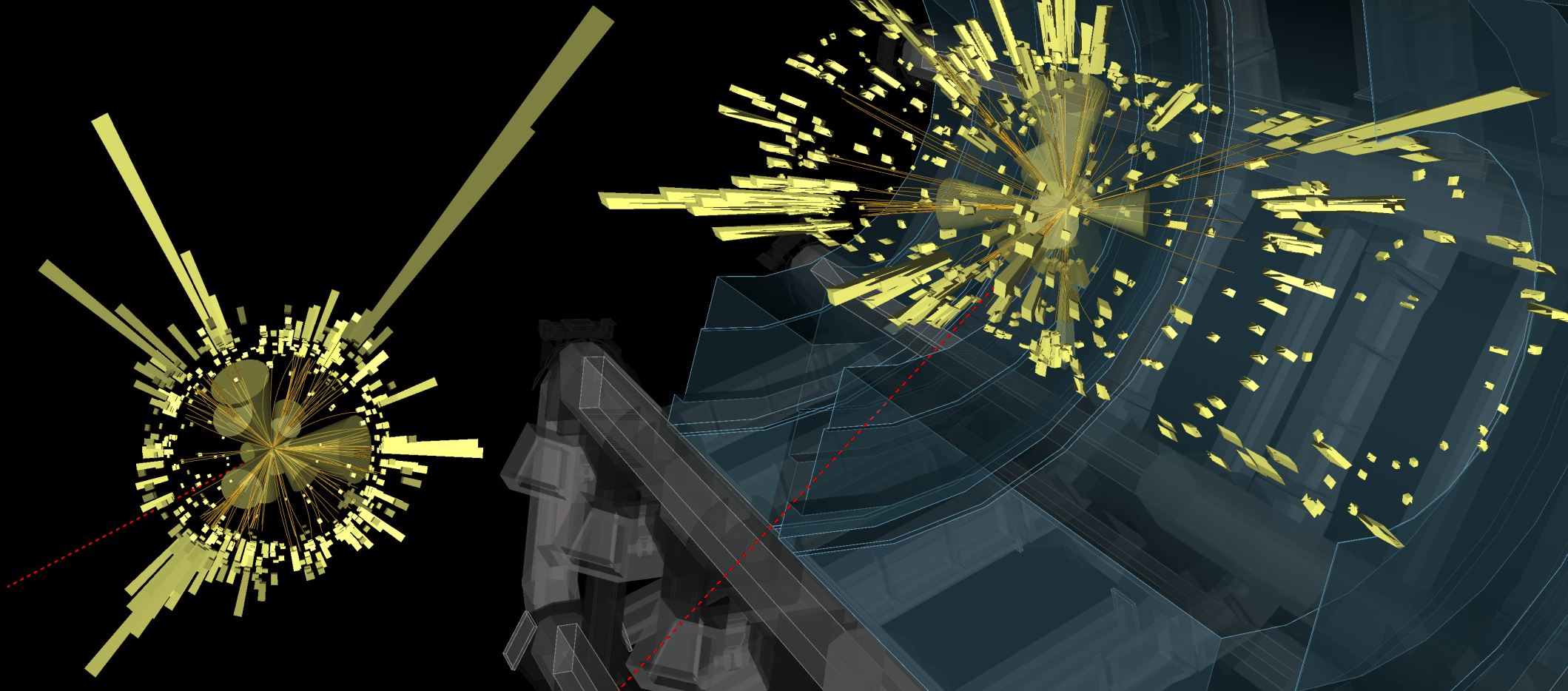
ATLAS

EXPERIMENT

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THE CMS COLLABORATION



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Scientific authors



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Countries



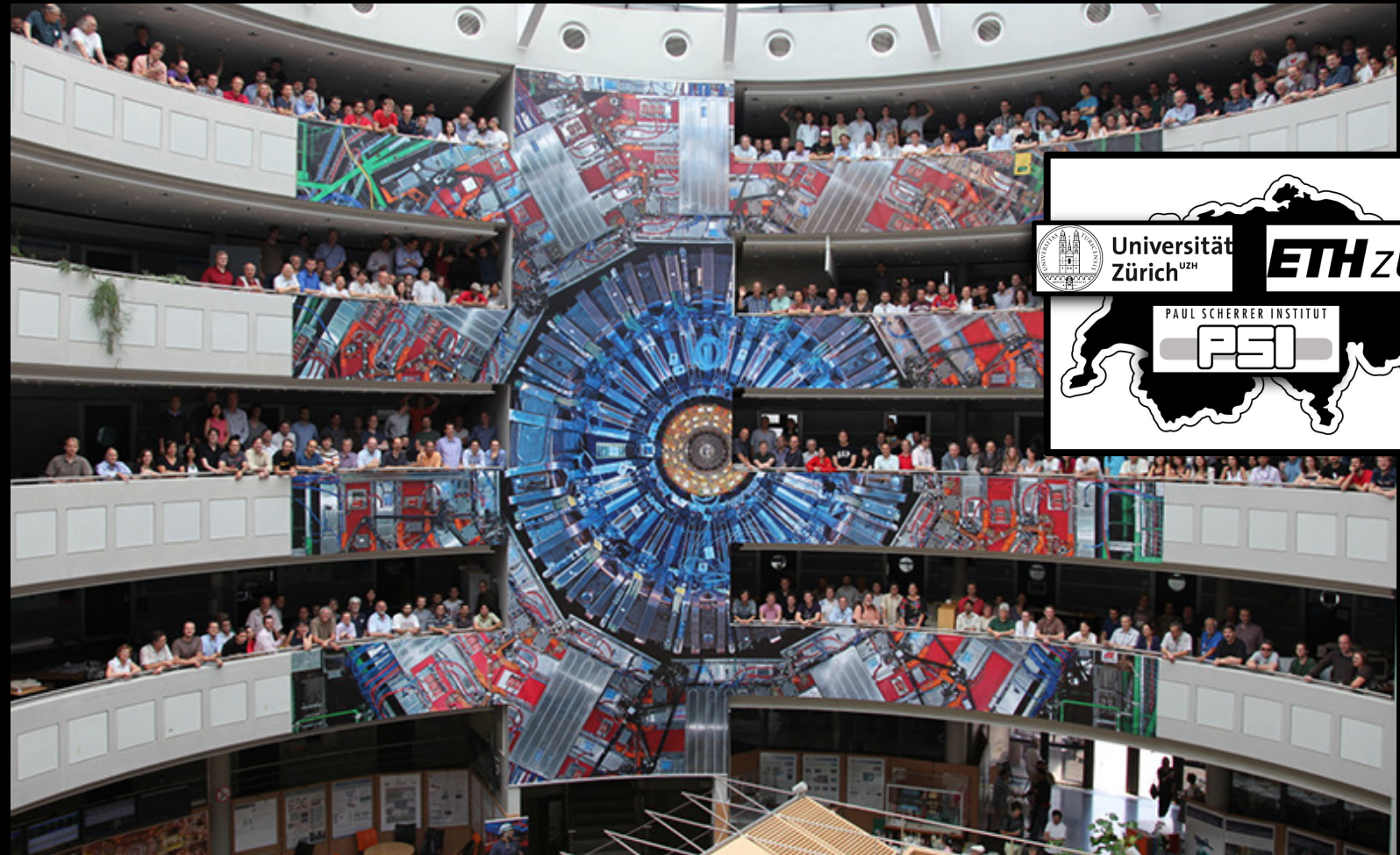
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1100

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THE LHCb COLLABORATION



1500

Members



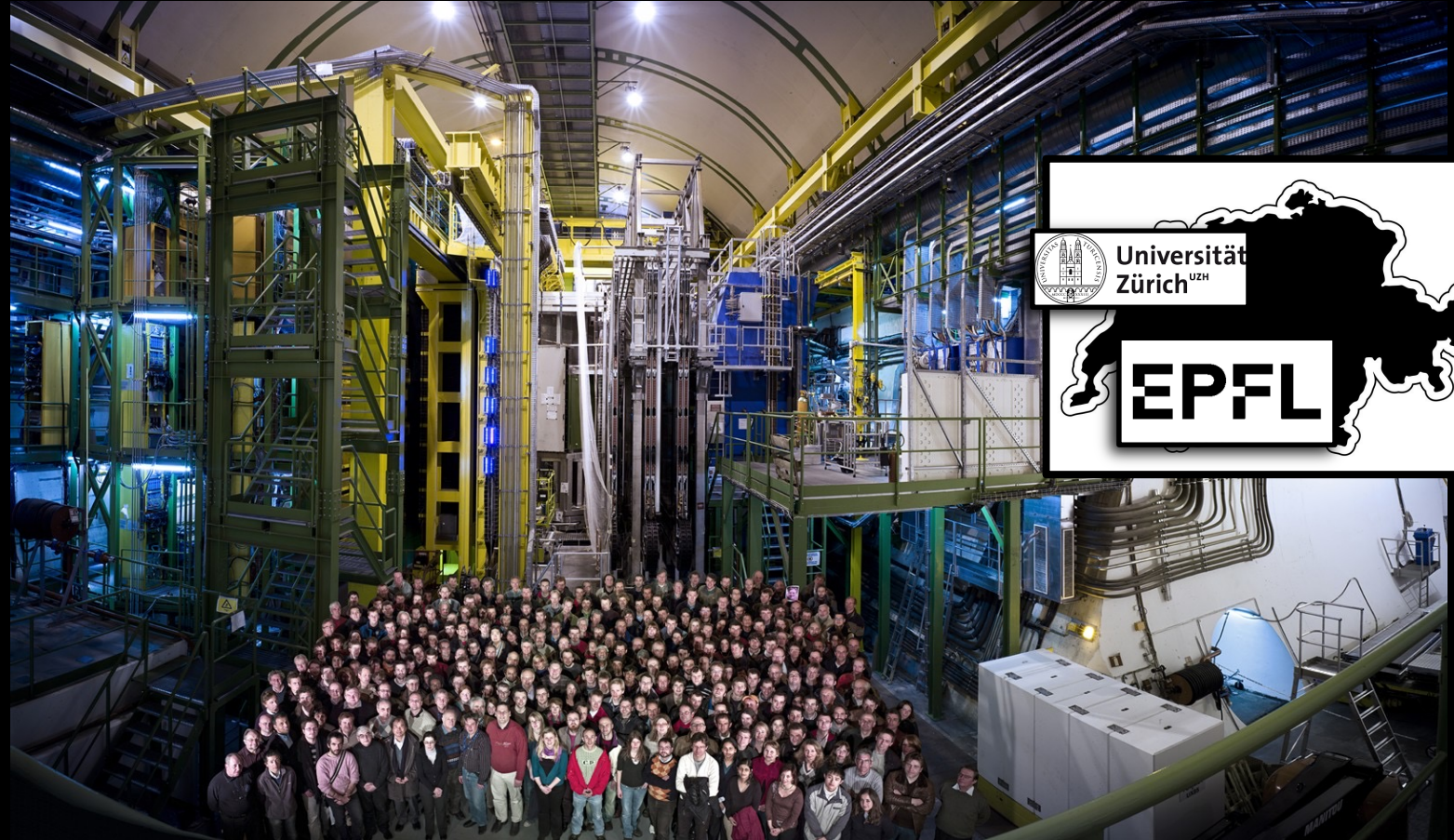
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EPFL

THE ALICE COLLABORATION



1990

Members



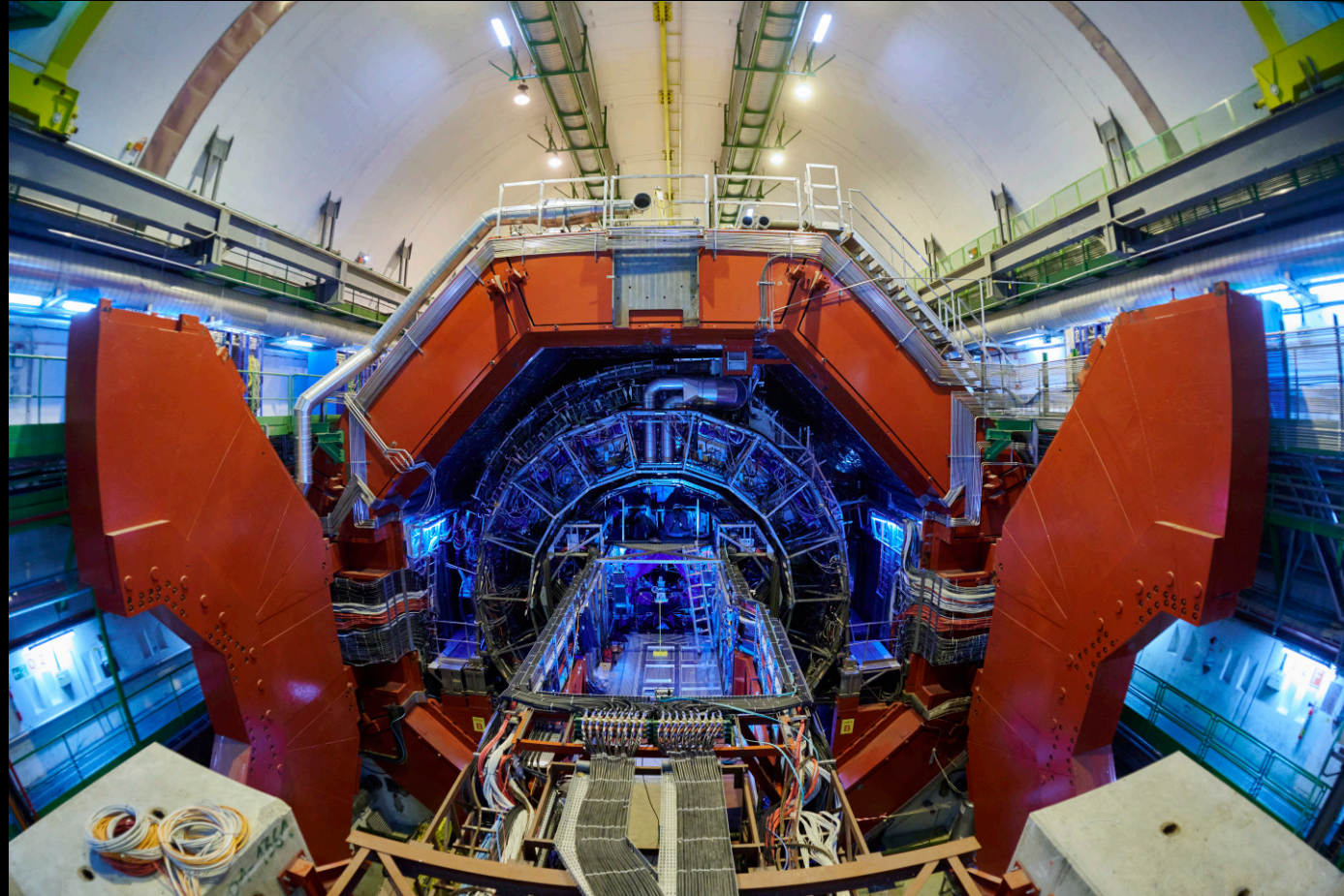
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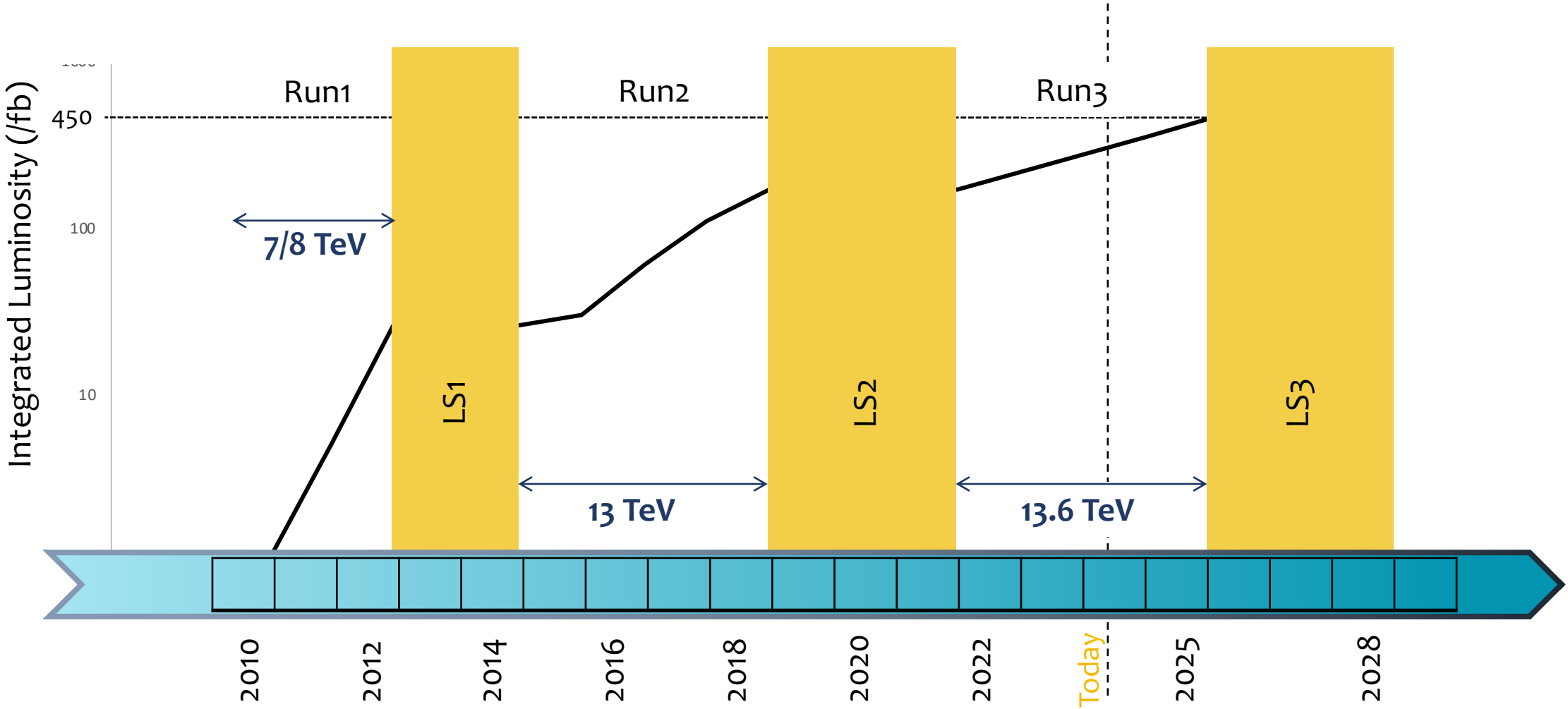


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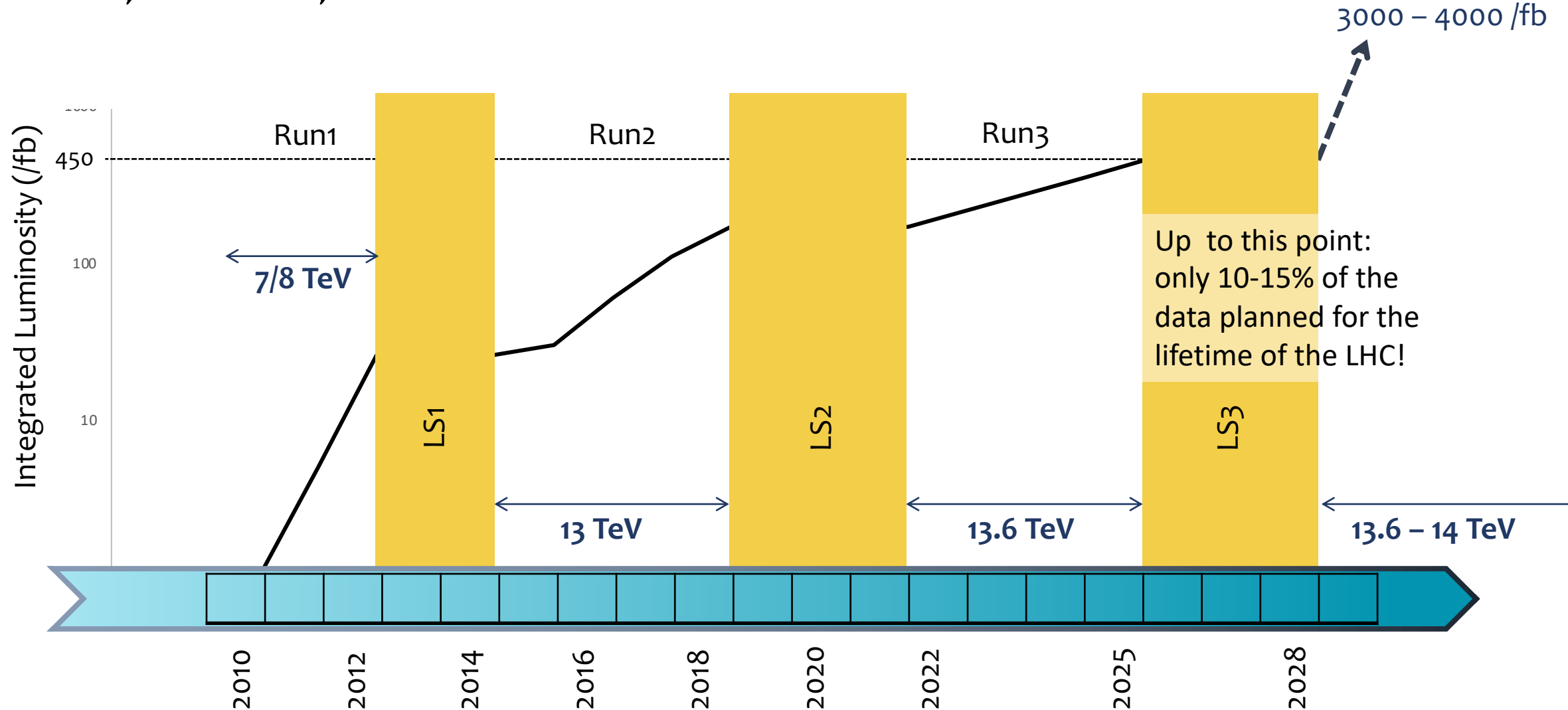
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RUN1, RUN2, RUN3 ...



RUN1, RUN2, RUN3 AND BEYOND

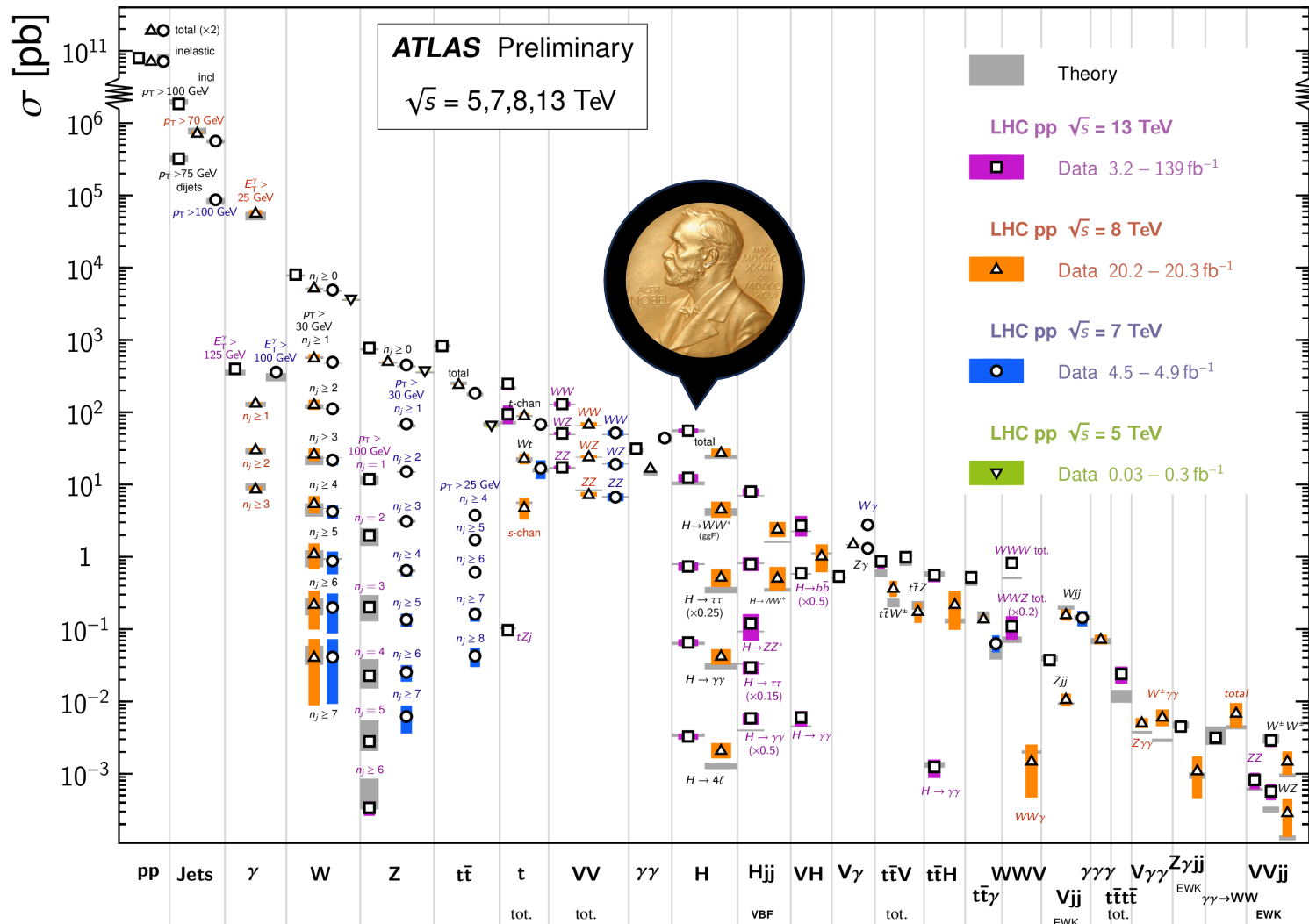


THE LANDSCAPE OF PARTICLES

THE STANDARD MODEL STUDIED IN DETAIL

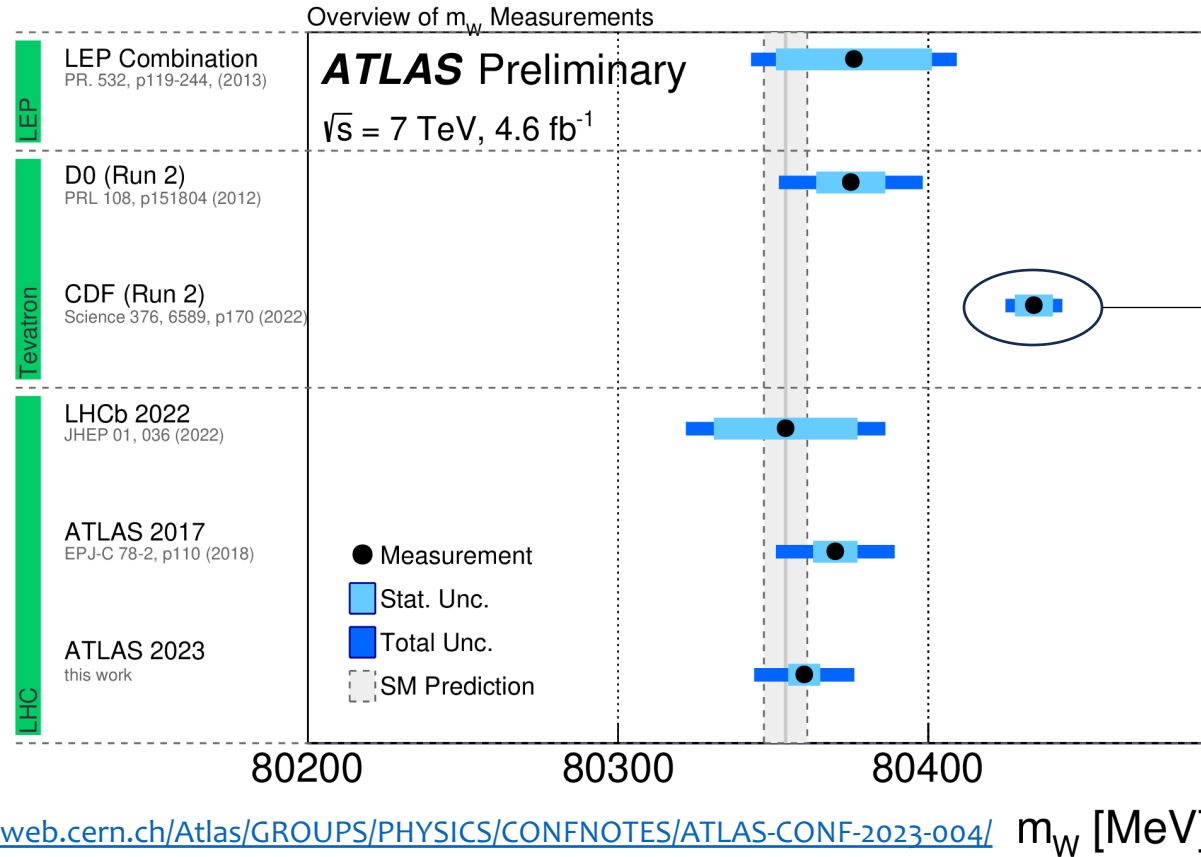
Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: February 2022



MASSES

Extracted by **fits** to distributions and measurements that depend on the mass

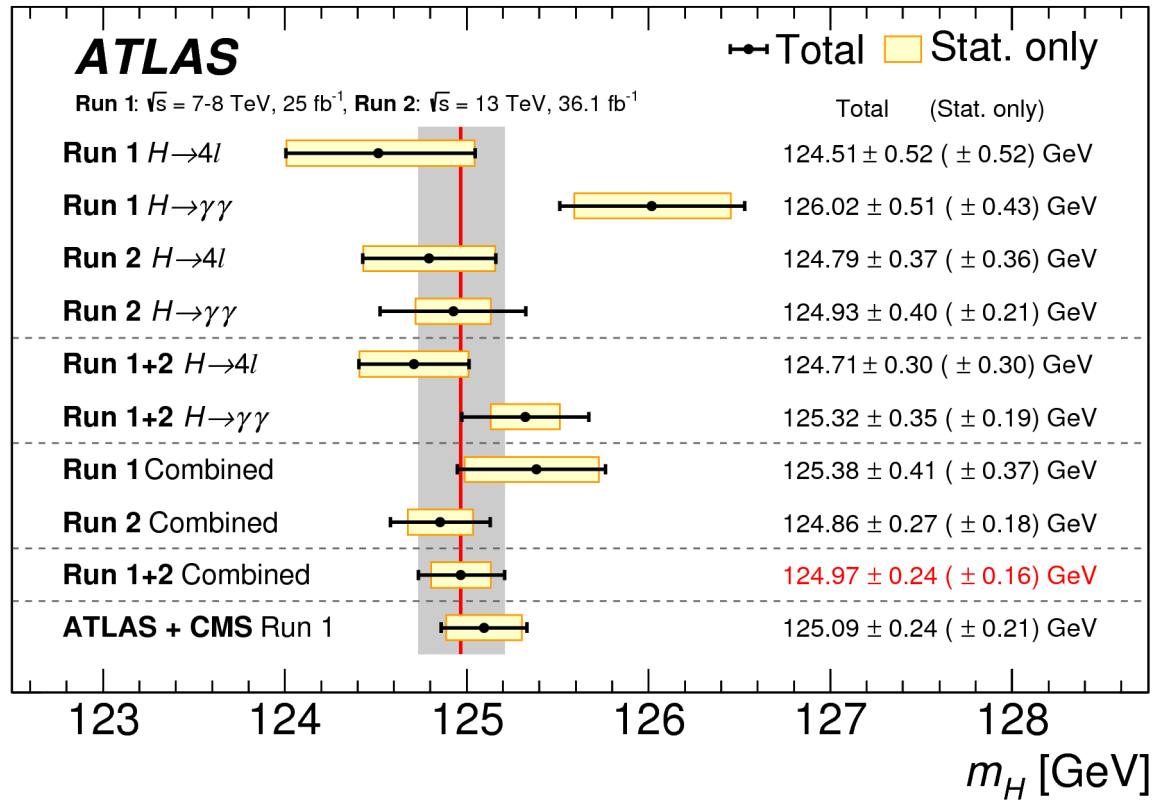


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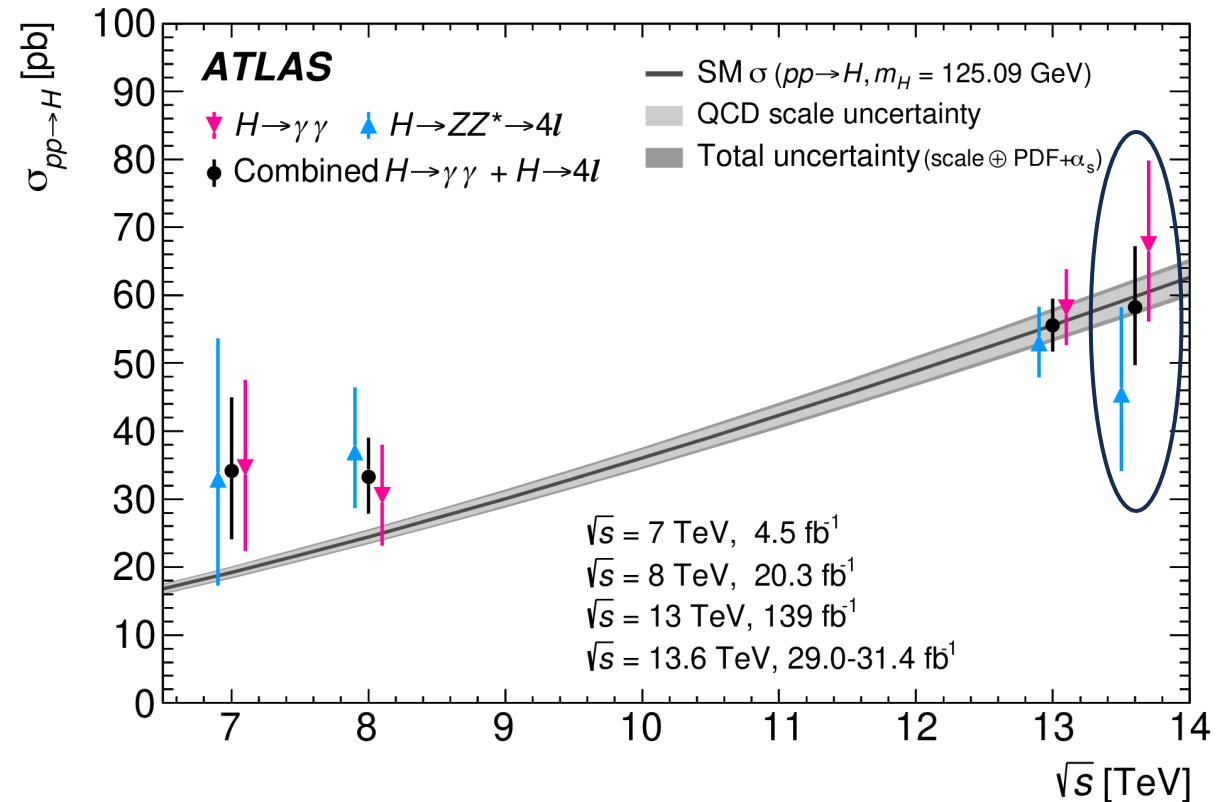
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THE HIGGS BOSON

Intense efforts to assess its properties with high precision



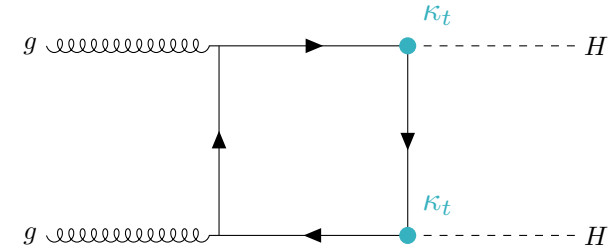
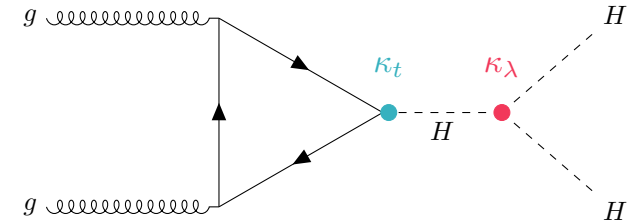
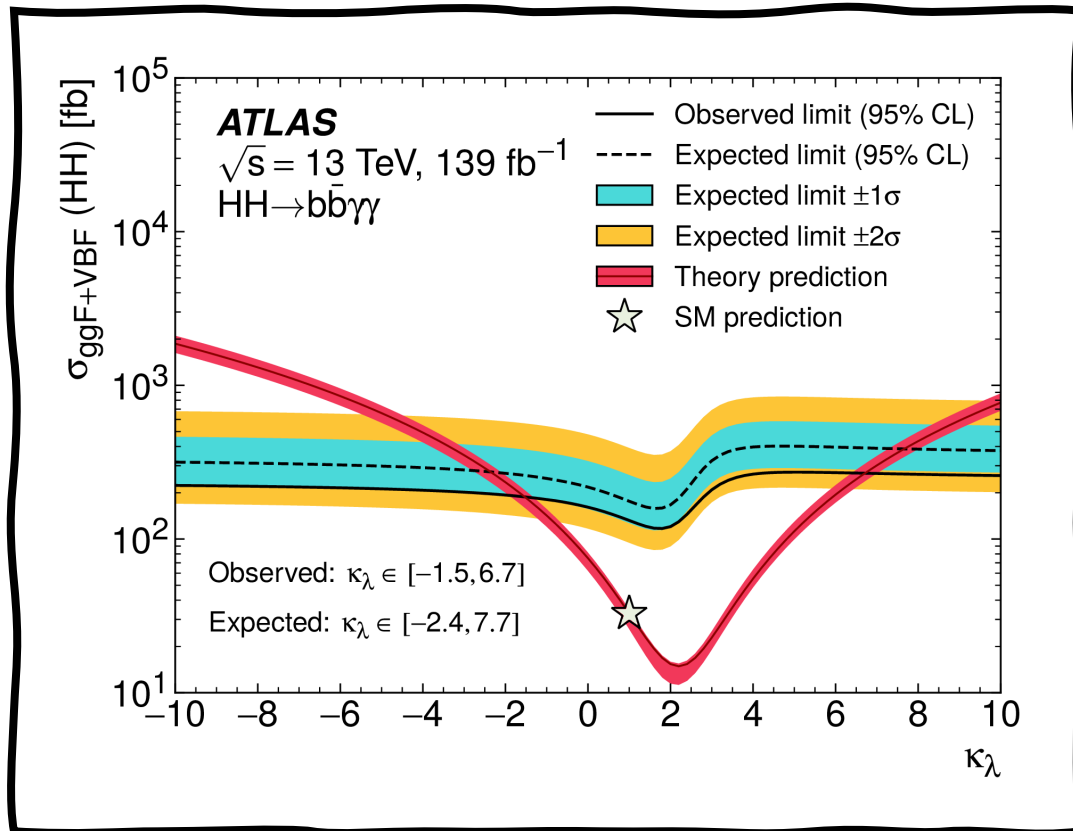
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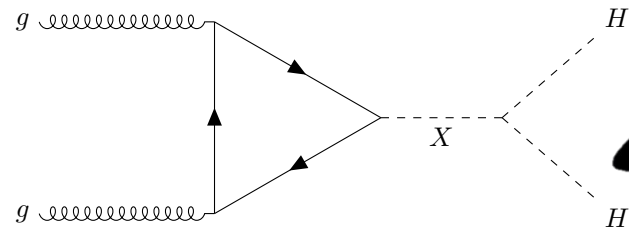
PRODUCTION CROSS-SECTION

HIGGS SEARCHES: PROCESSES NOT YET OBSERVED

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SENSITIVITY TO NEW PHYSICS!

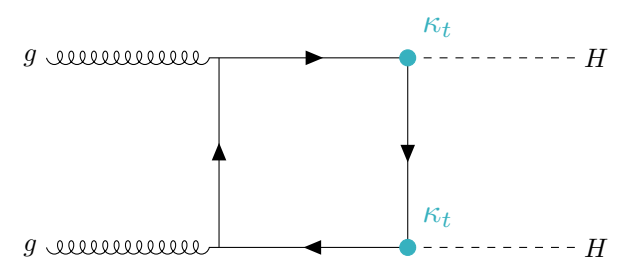
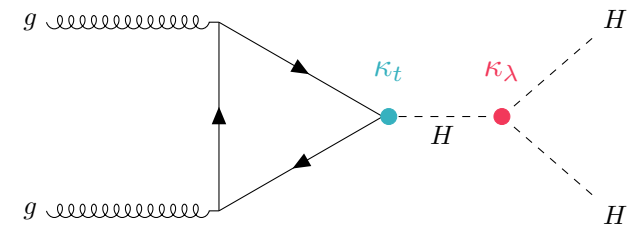
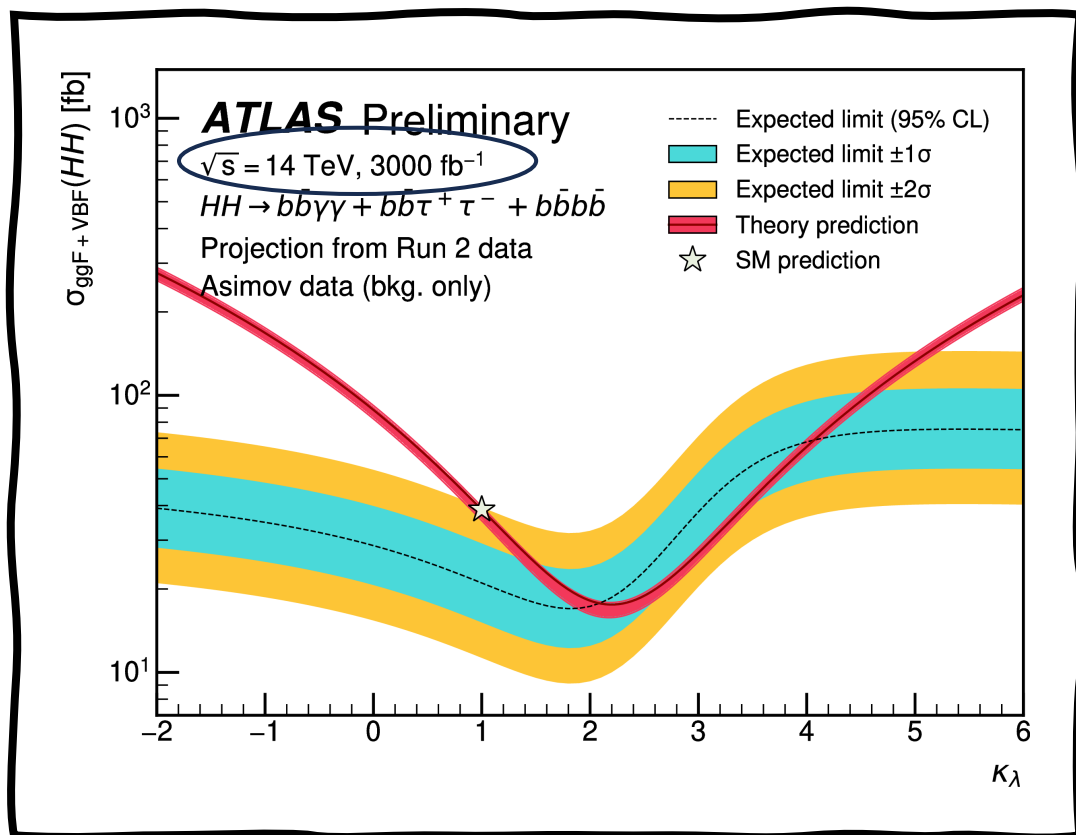


Recent HH->bbygamma results

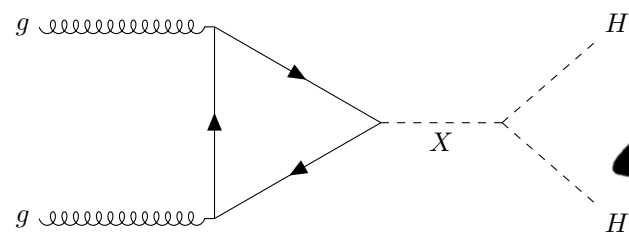
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Need HL-LHC to see HH and start studying it!

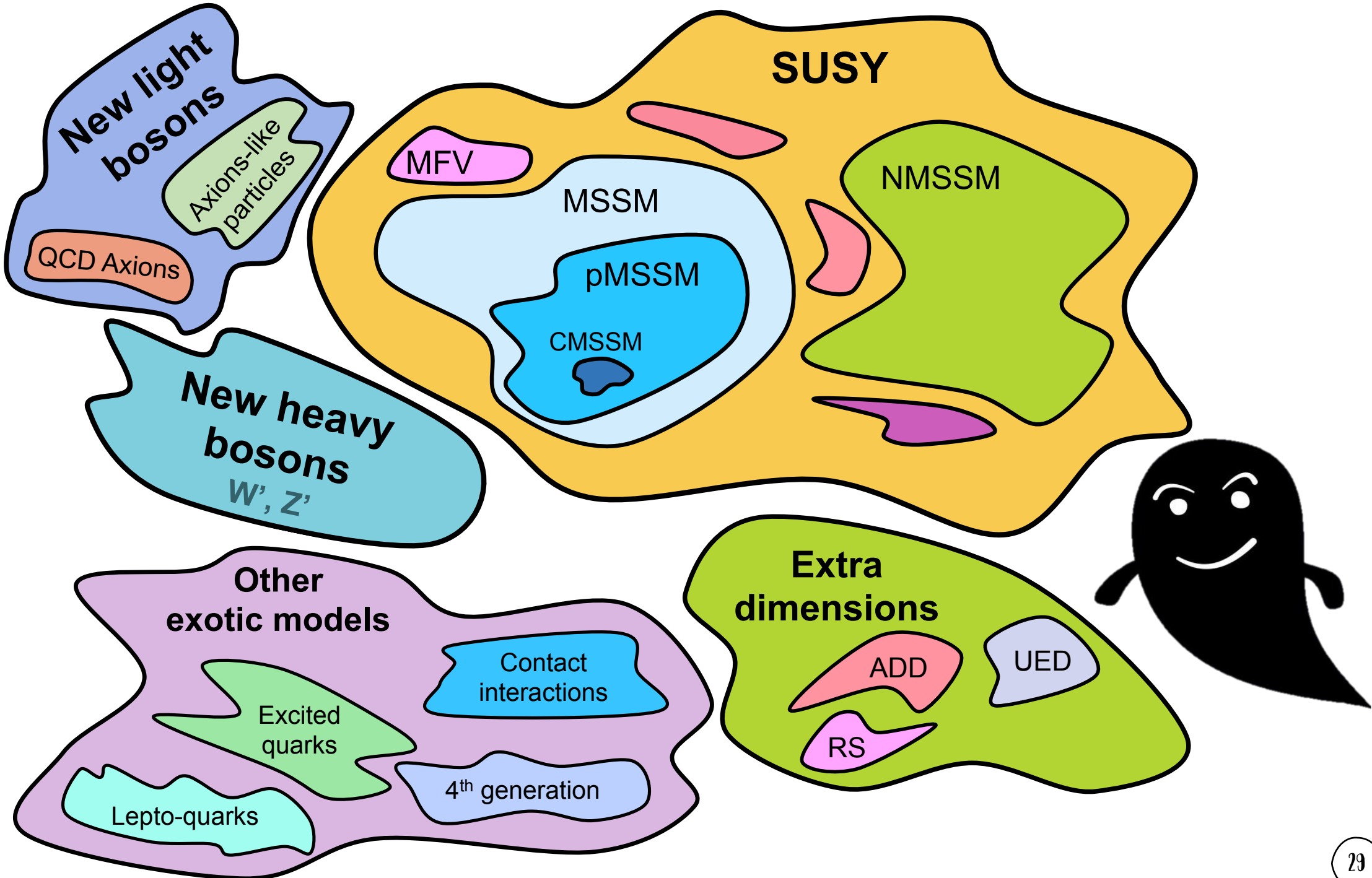
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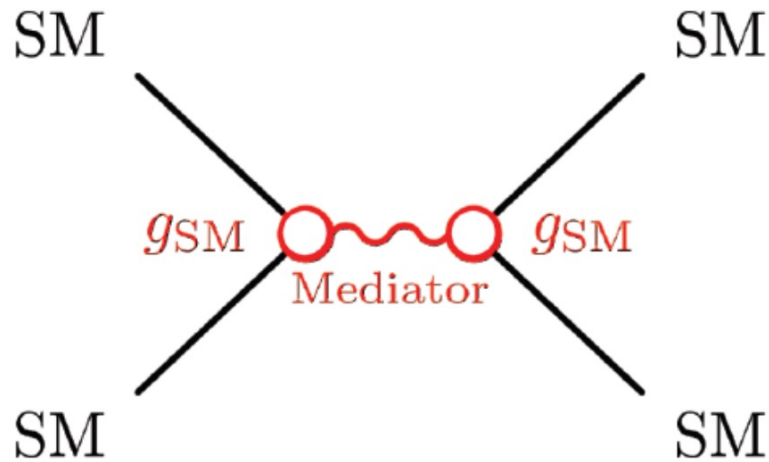
Projection to HL-LHC data set



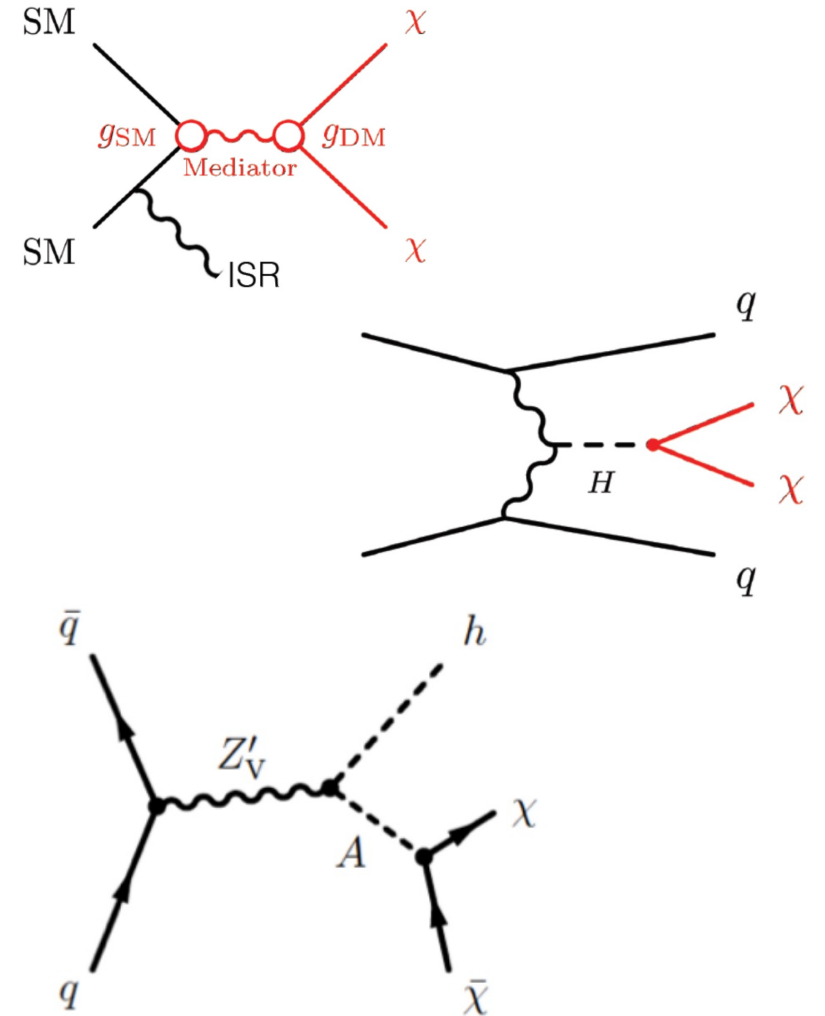


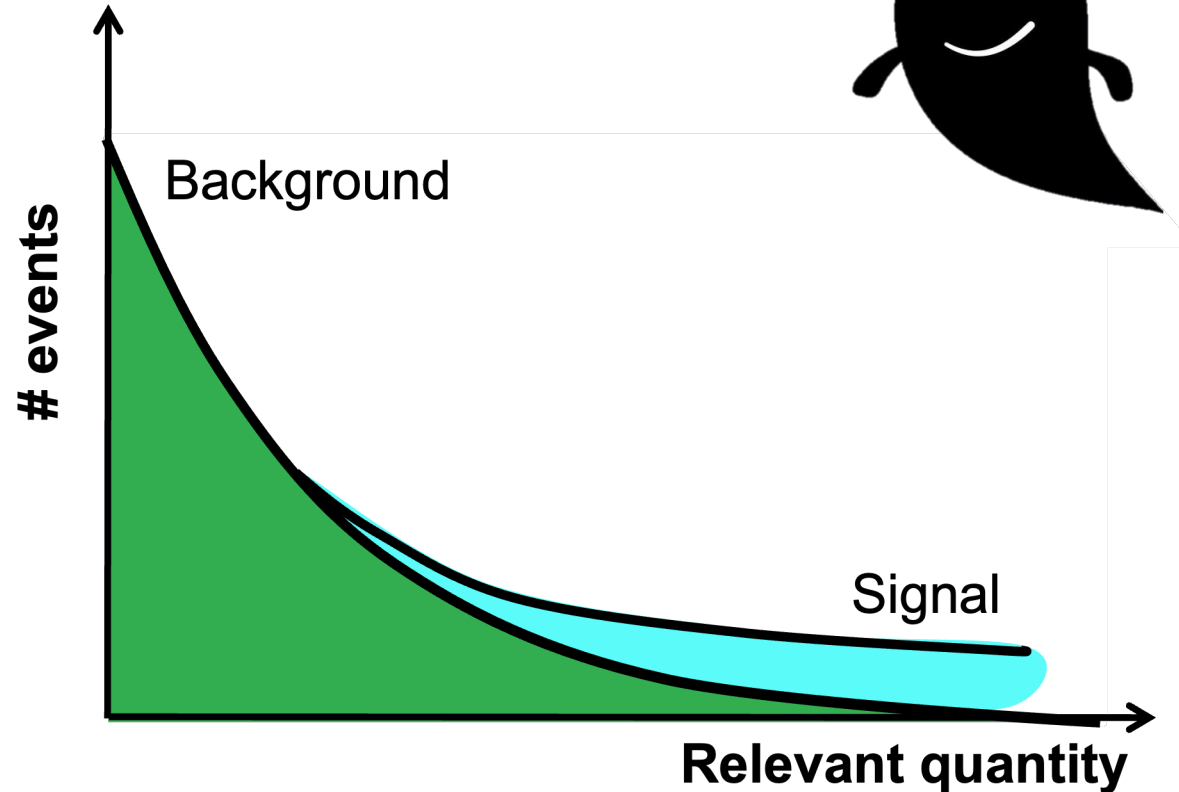
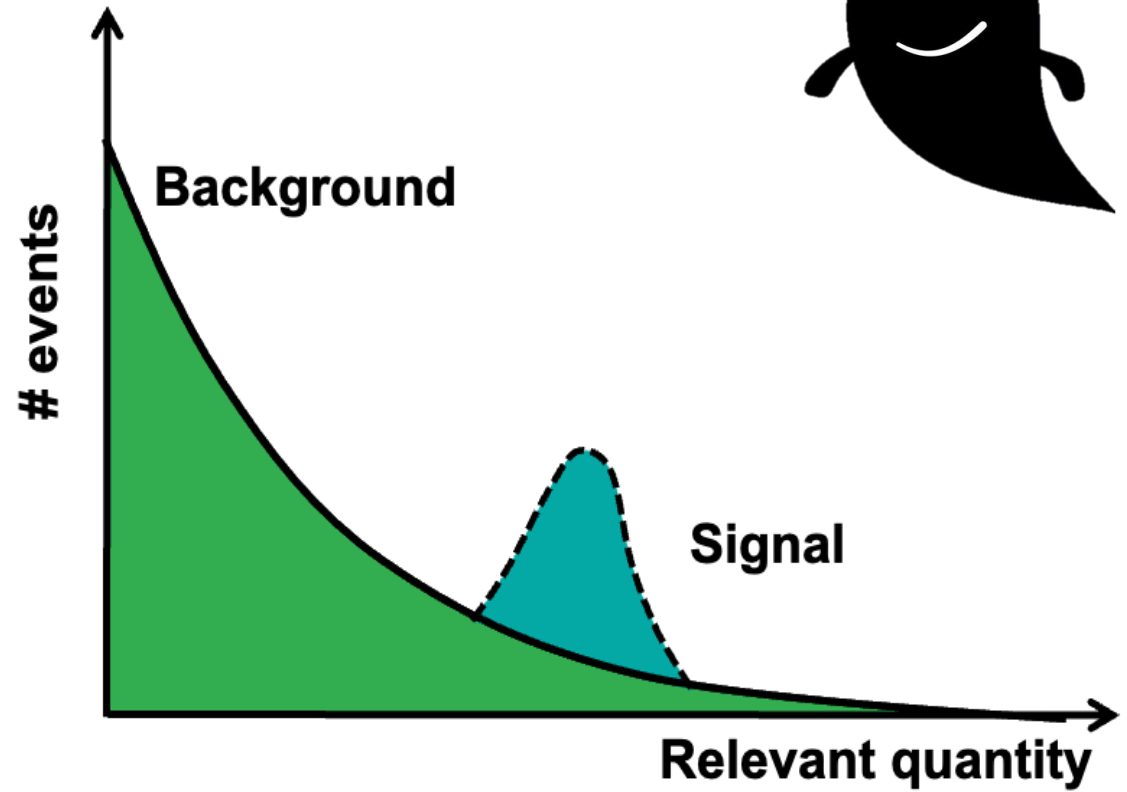
DARK MATTER SEARCHES

Mediator searches



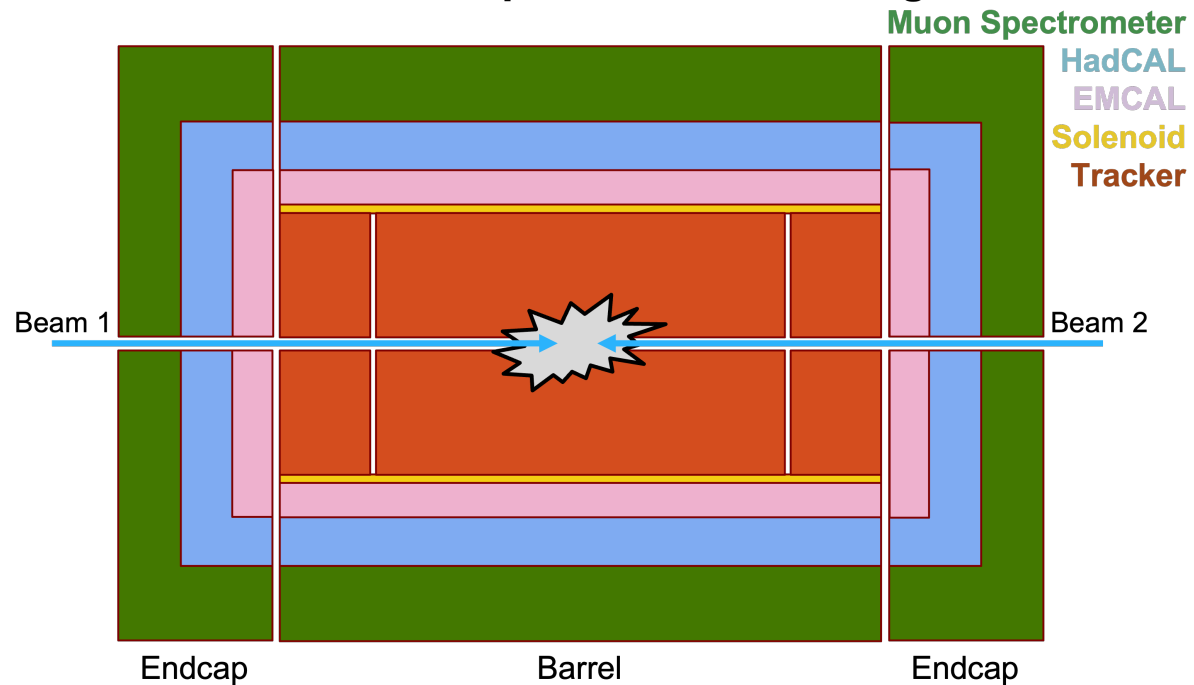
Direct searches



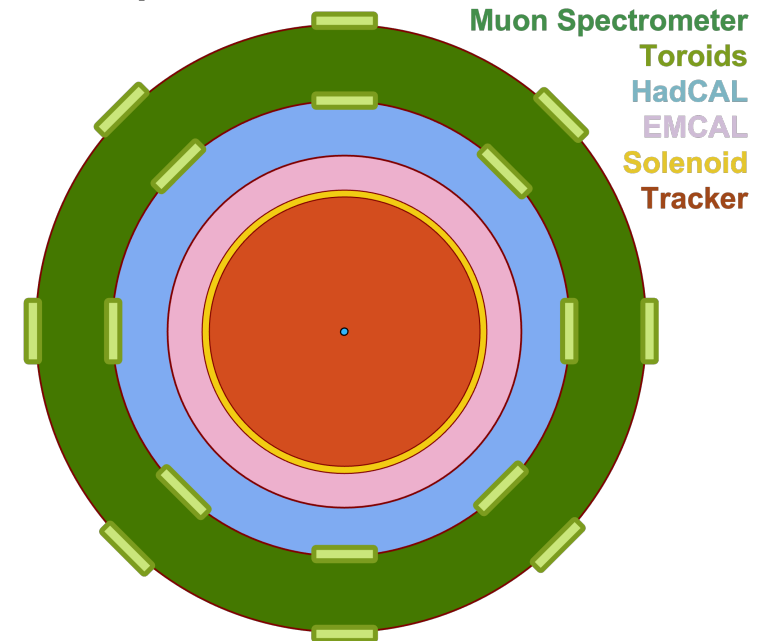


GENERAL PURPOSE DETECTORS AT THE LHC

Simplified Detector Longitudinal View



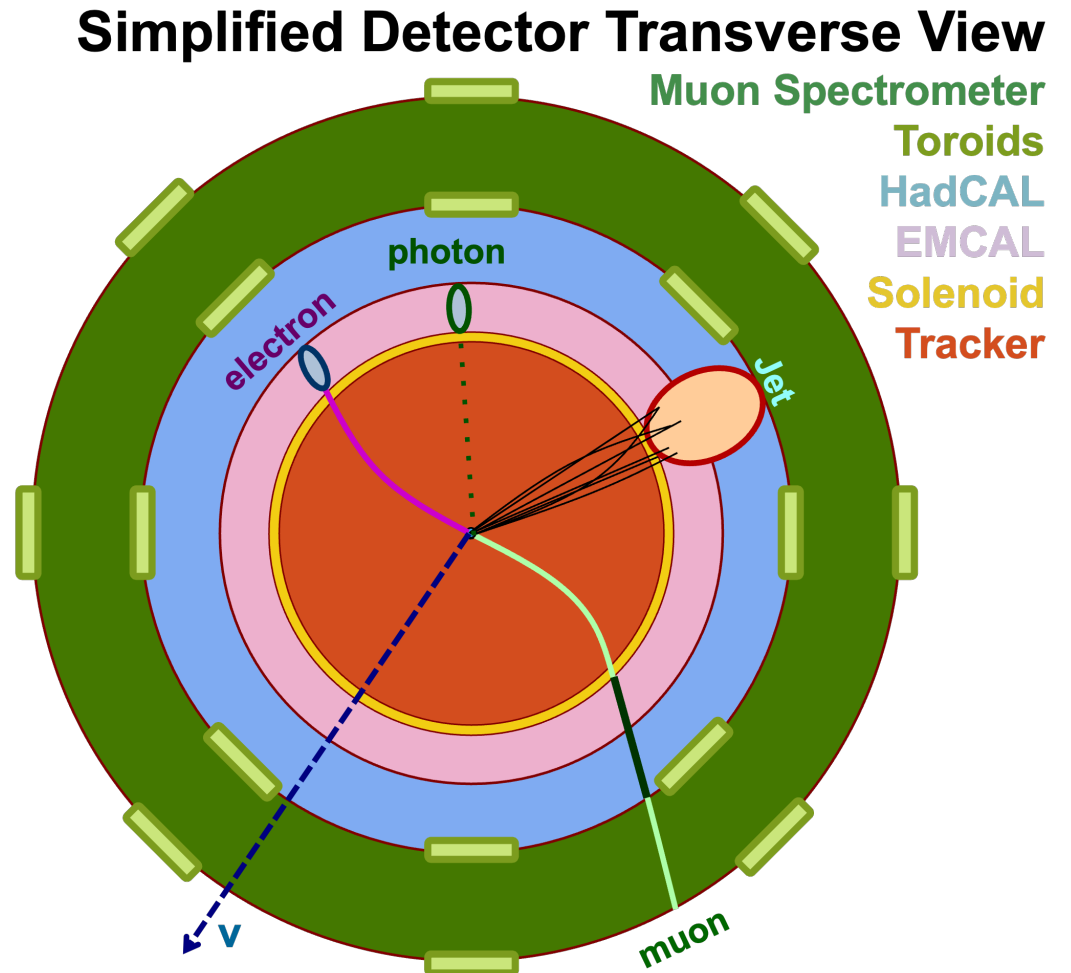
Simplified Detector Transverse View



WHAT DO WE RECONSTRUCT?

- Tracks and clusters
- Combining those:
 - “objects”, i.e. “particles”

	I	II	III	
Quarks	2.4 MeV u	1.3 GeV c	170 GeV t	0 Υ
	4.8 MeV d	104 MeV s	4.2 GeV b	0 g
	<2 eV ν_e	<2 eV ν_μ	<2 eV ν_τ	91 GeV Z
Leptons	0.5 MeV e	16 MeV μ	1.8 GeV τ	80 GeV W
				126 GeV H
				Bosons



MISSING TRANSVERSE MOMENTUM - $M\vec{E}_T$

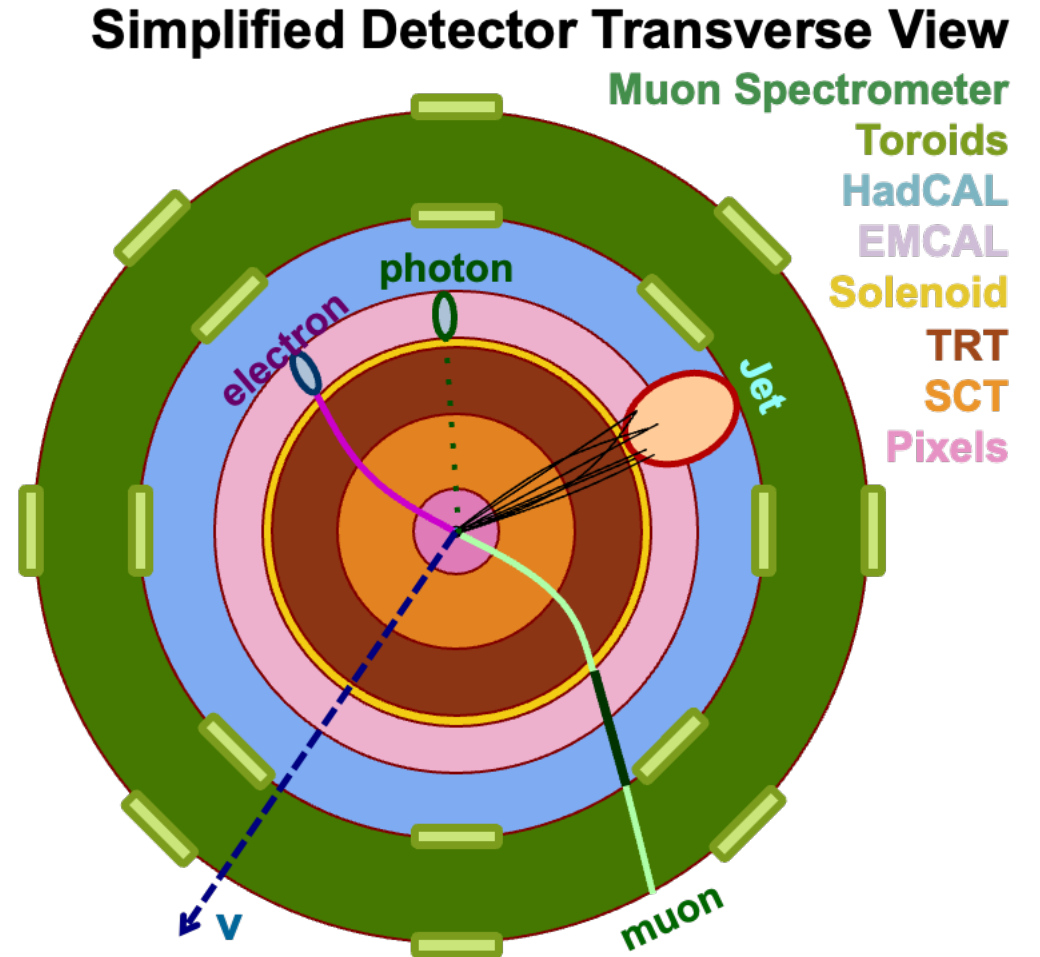
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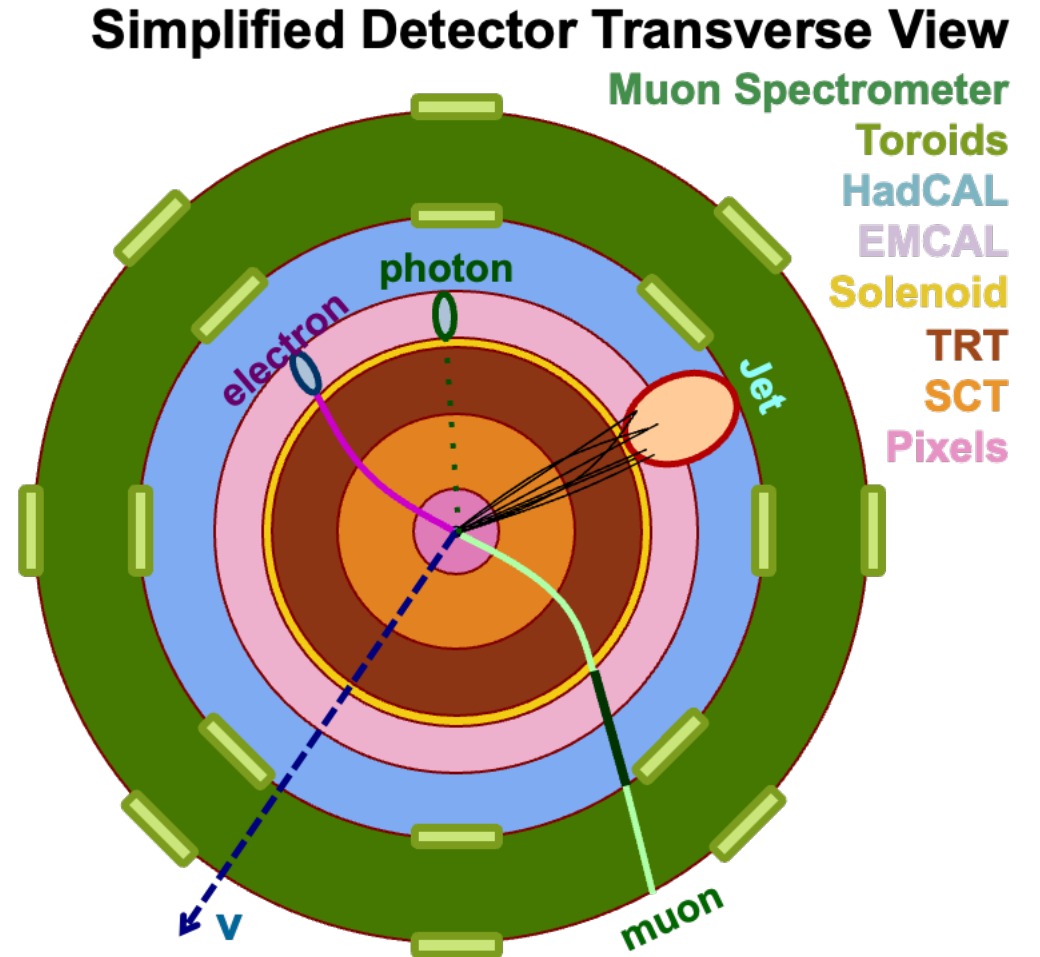
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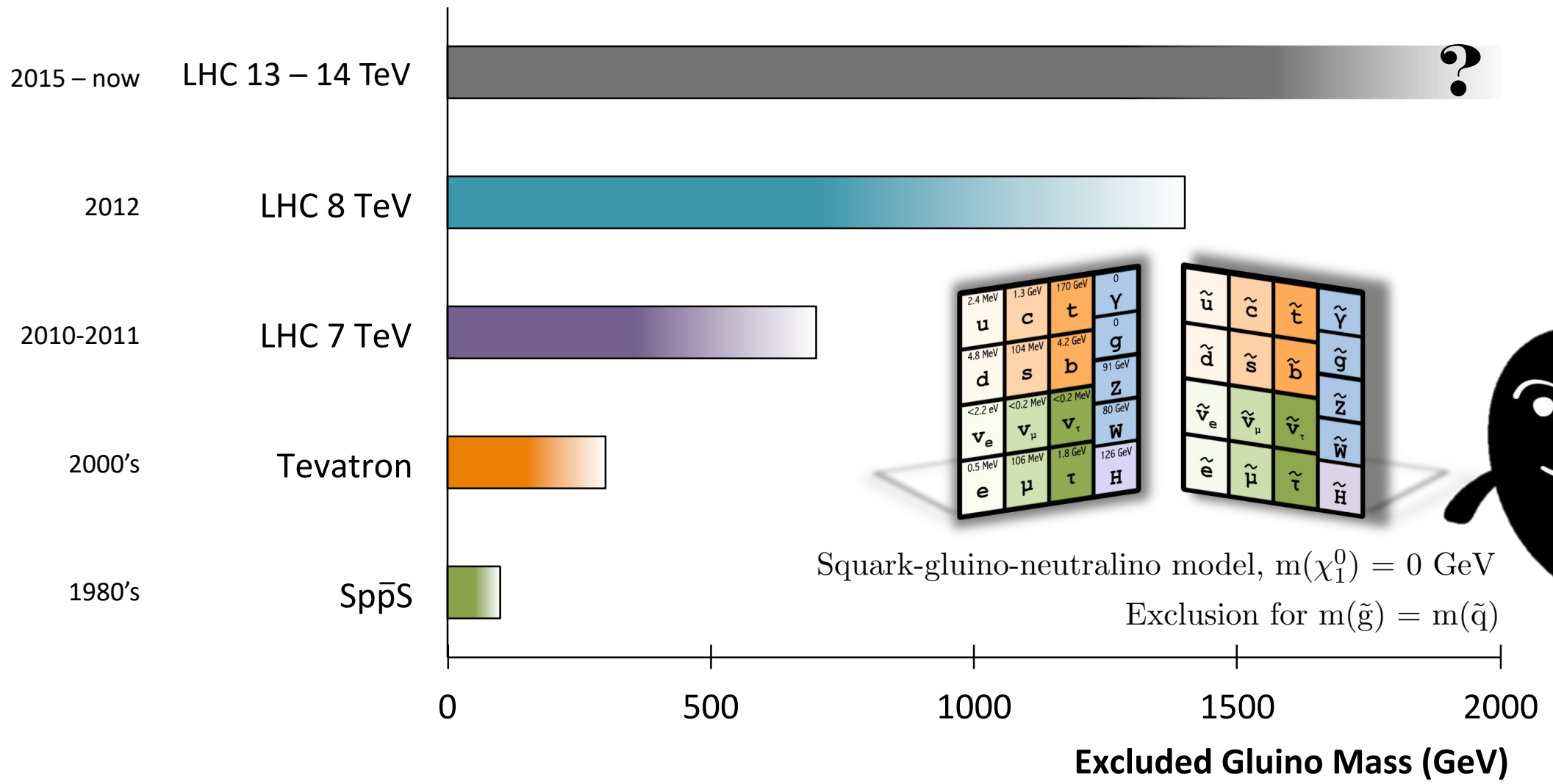
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OR DARK MATTER
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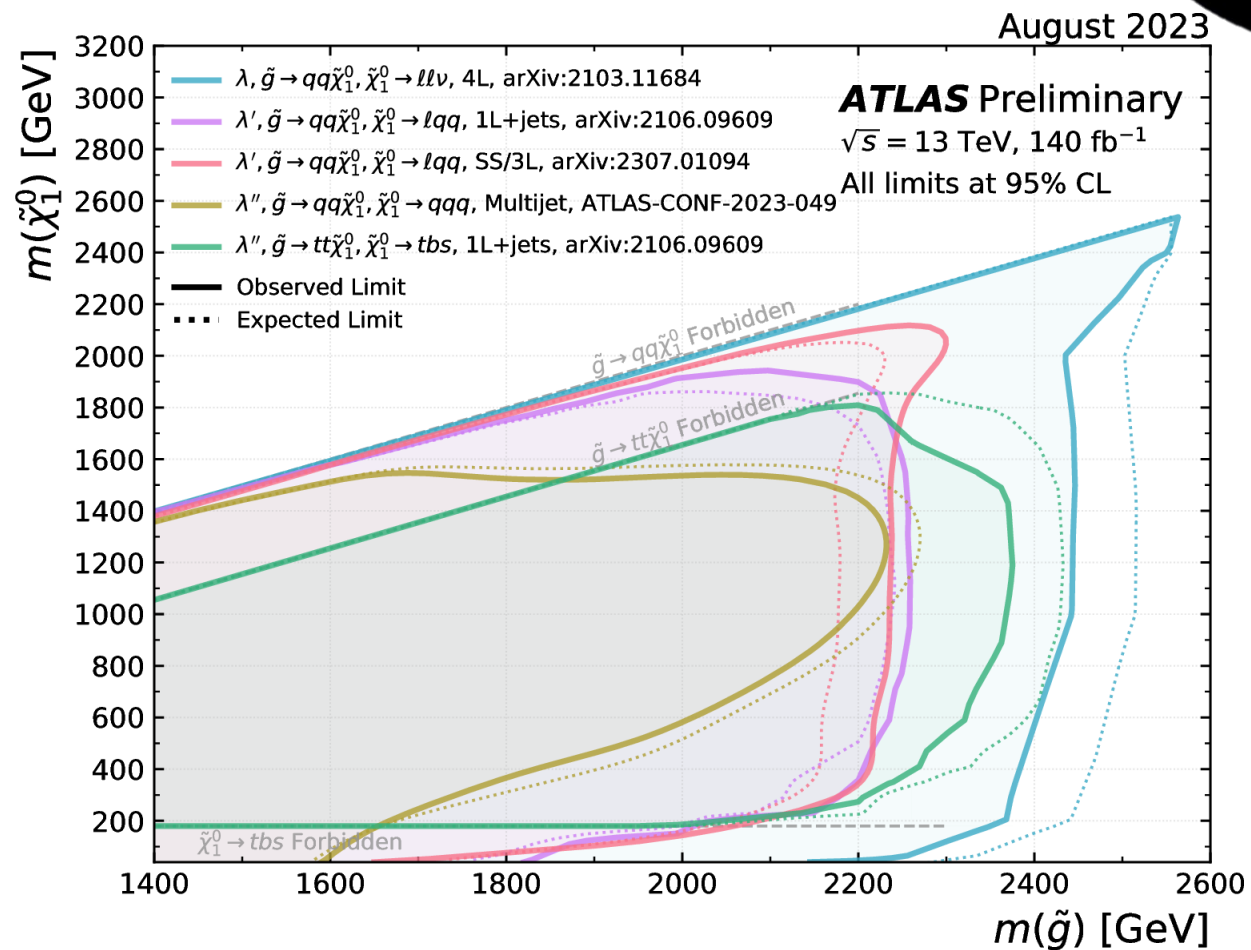
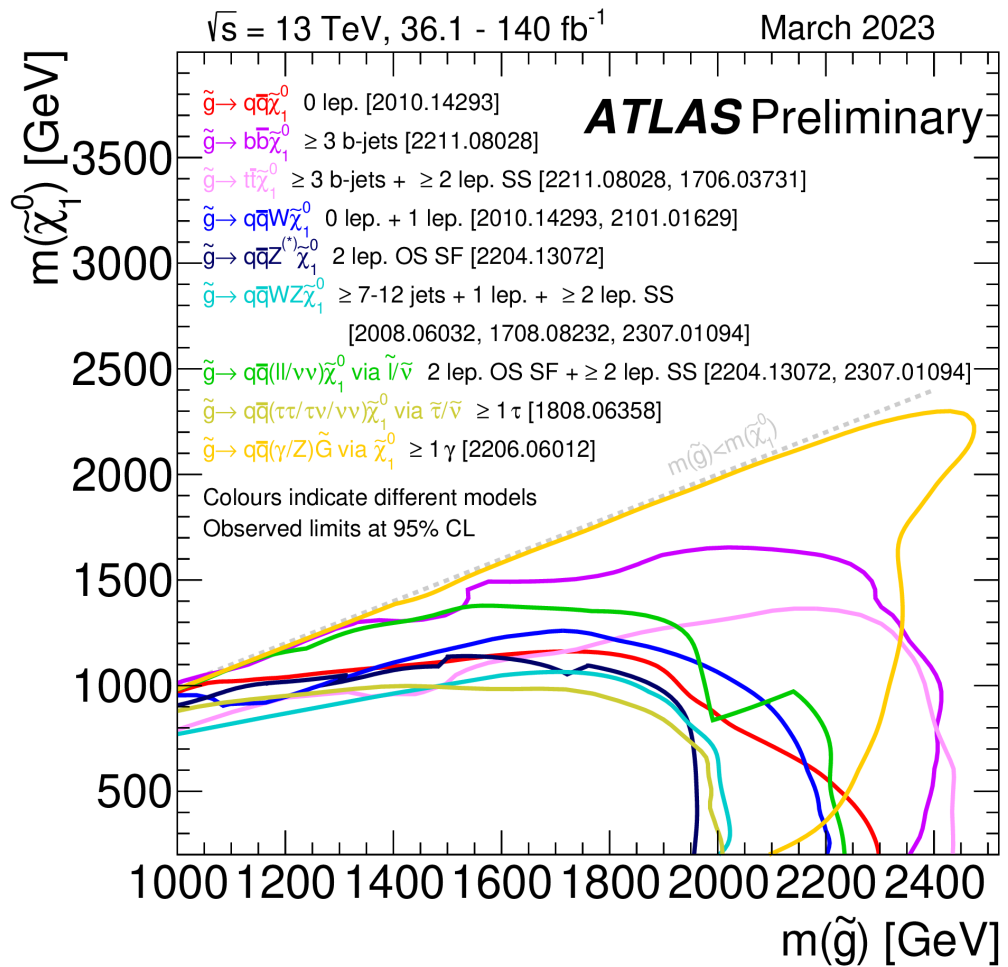


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$\tilde{\nu}_e$	$\tilde{\nu}_\mu$	$\tilde{\nu}_\tau$	Z
0.5 MeV	106 MeV	1.8 GeV	80 GeV
e	$\tilde{\mu}$	$\tilde{\tau}$	W
			126 GeV
			H

Squark-gluino-neutralino model, $m(\chi_1^0) = 0$ GeV
 Exclusion for $m(\tilde{g}) = m(\tilde{q})$



SUSY SEARCHES: A PLETHORA OF RESULTS



MANY OTHER SEARCHES...

ATLAS Long-lived Particle Searches* - 95% CL Exclusion

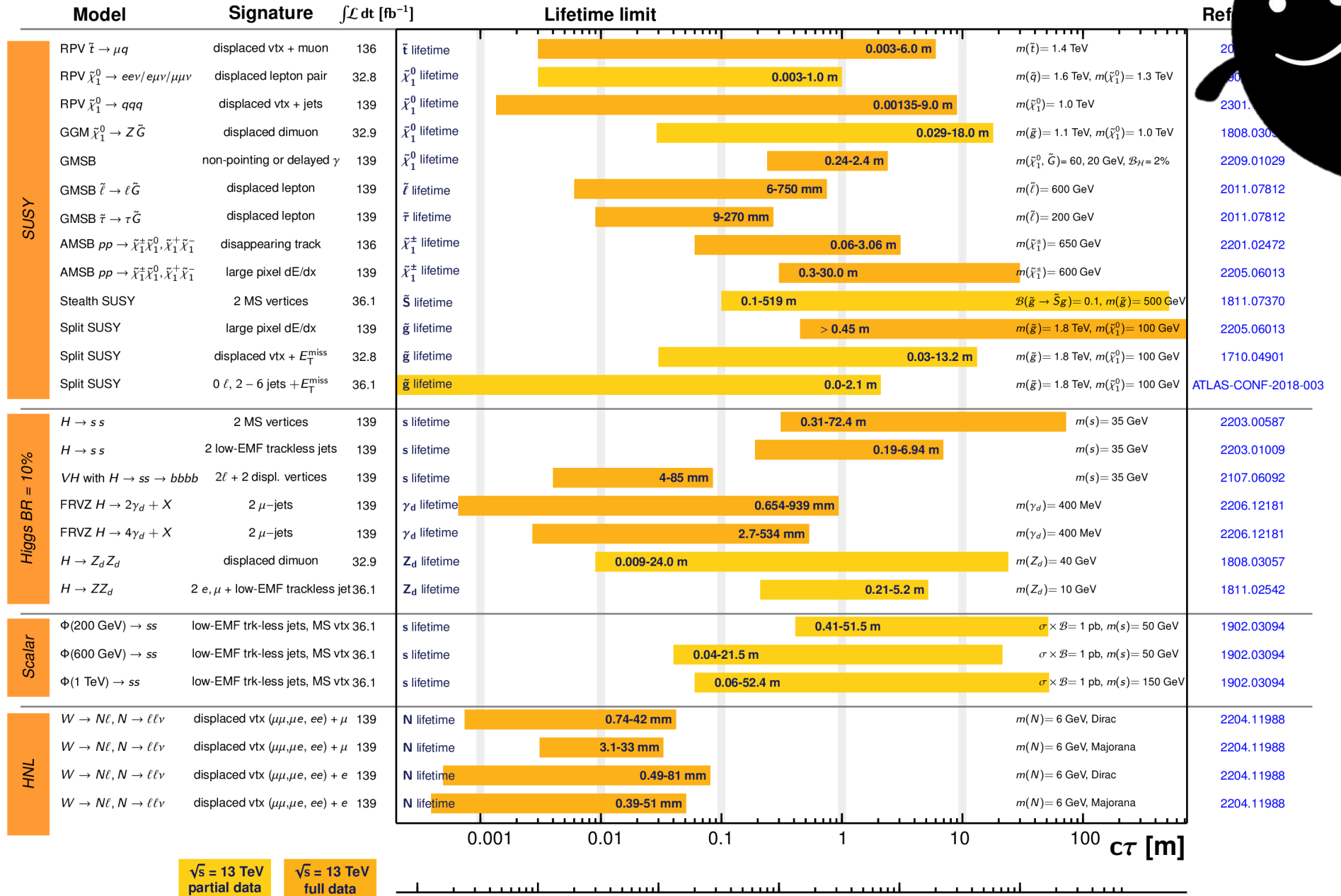
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$$\int \mathcal{L} dt = (32.8 - 139) \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

ATLAS Preliminary

$$\sqrt{s}$$

Ref



$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
partial data

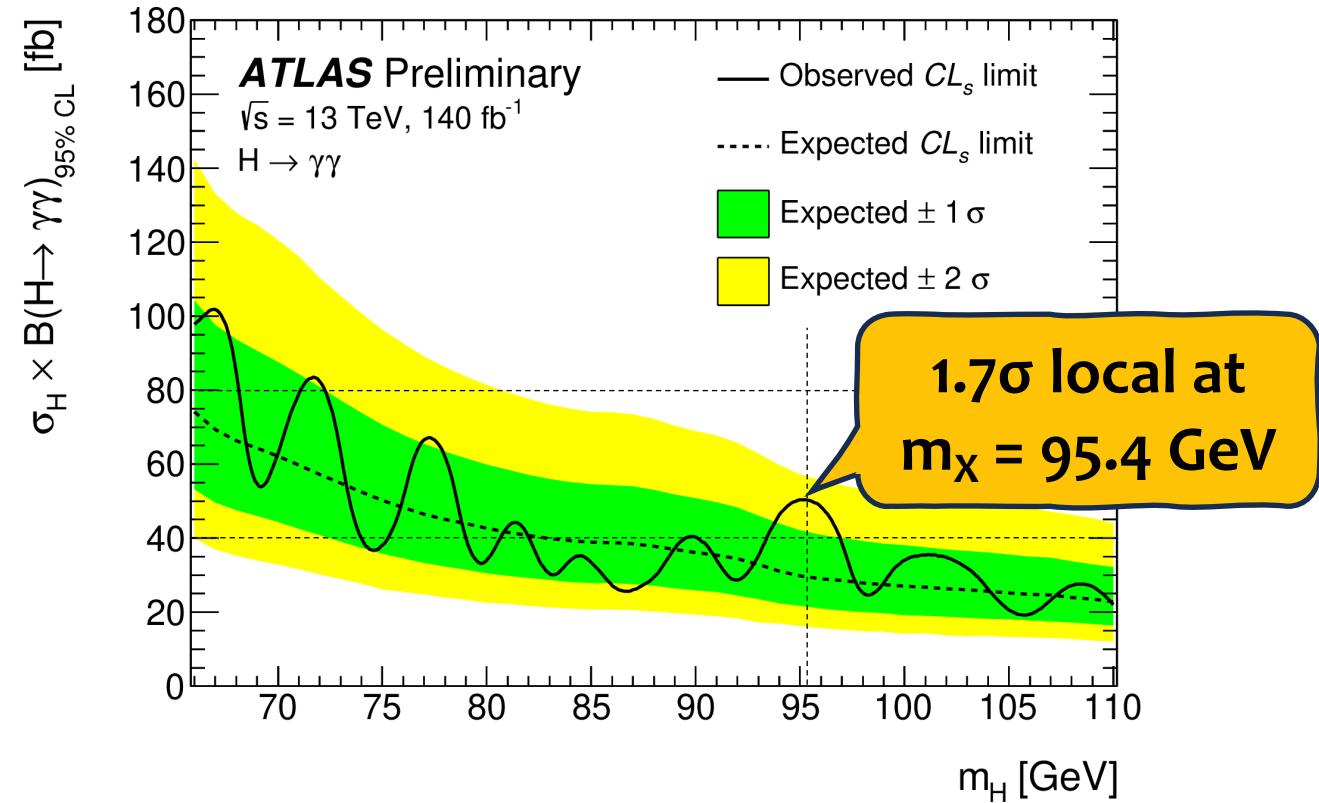
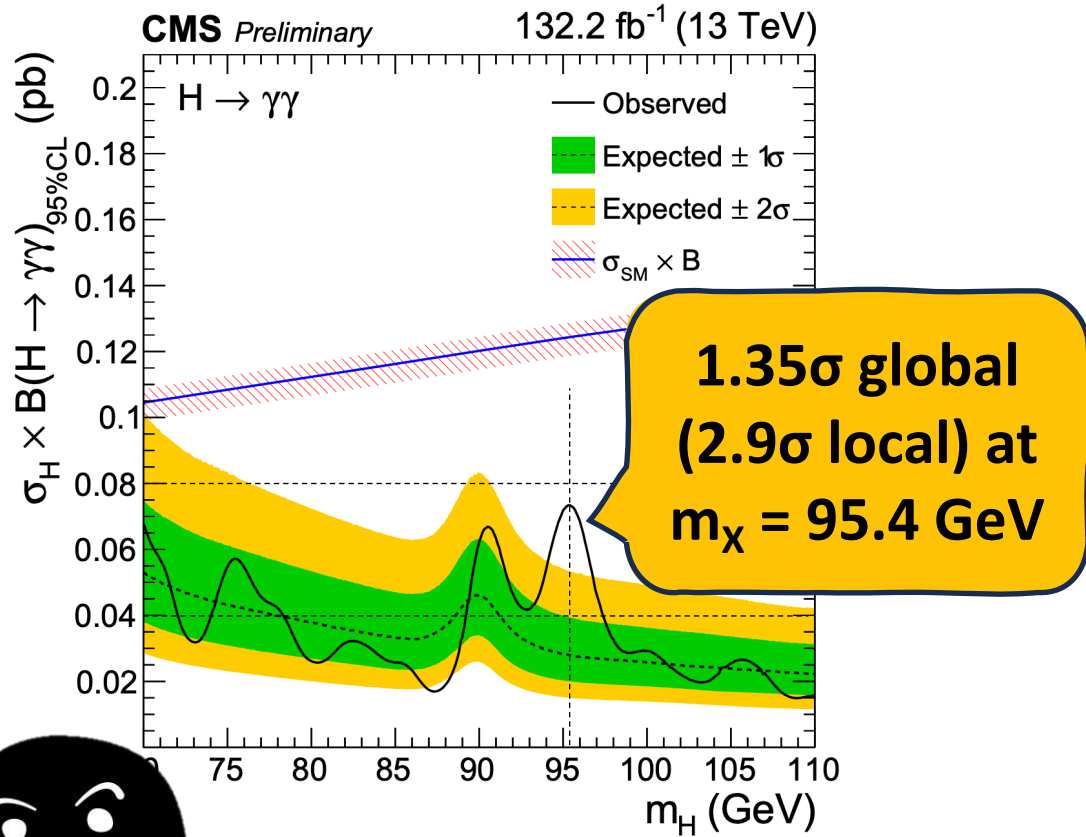
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full data

*Only a selection of the available lifetime limits is shown.

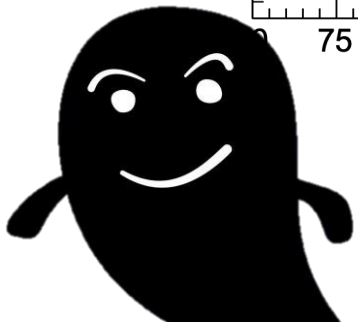
TANTALISING RESULTS

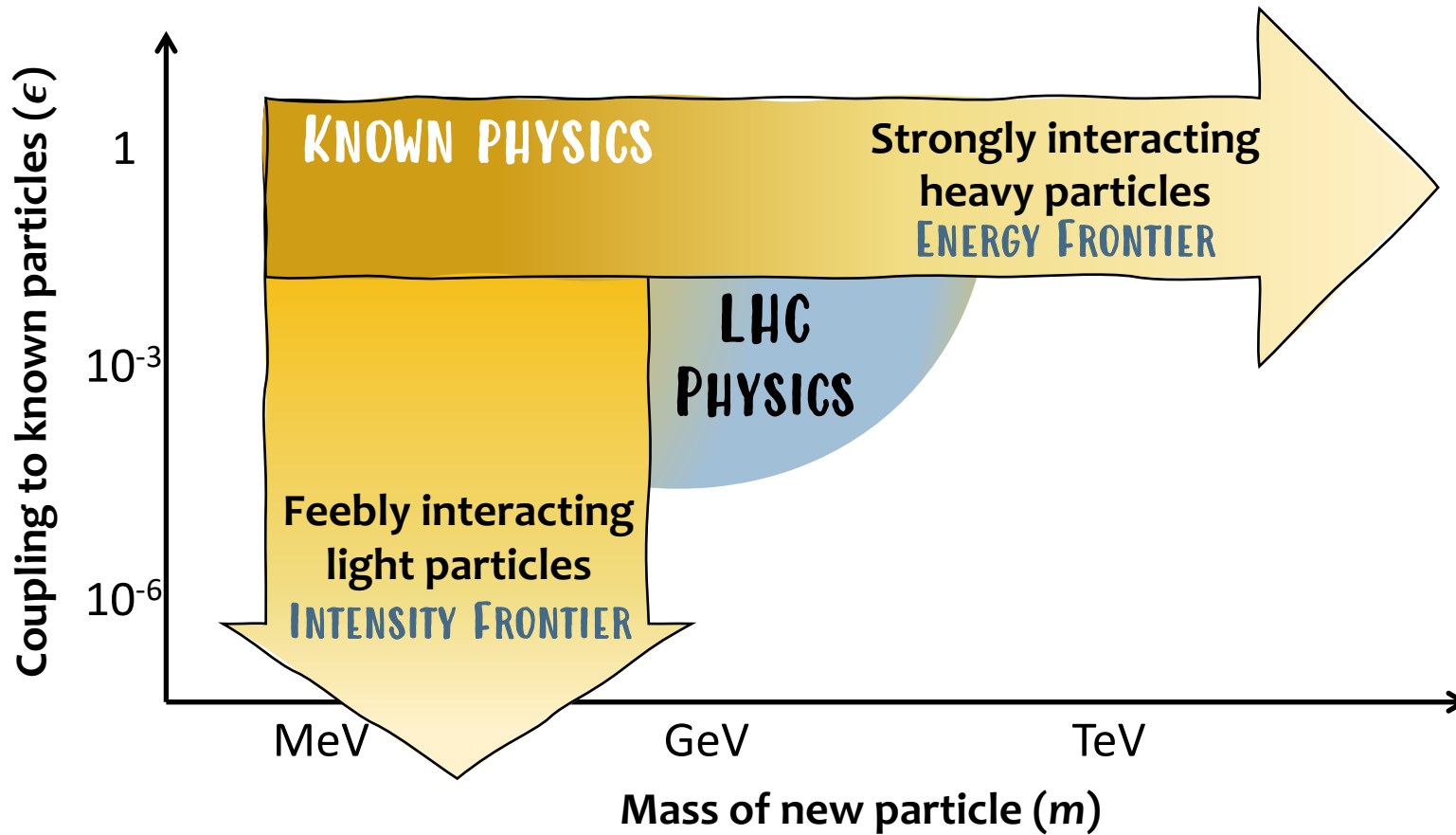
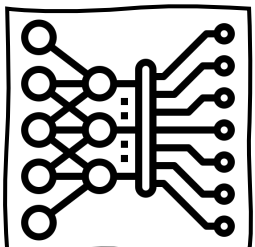
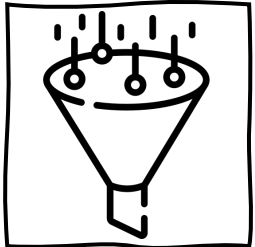
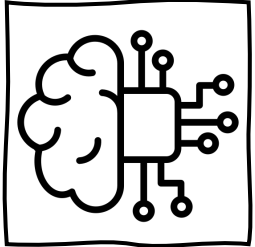
Few *tiny* excesses in data
some even consistent between experiments

For example, in Higgs-like di-photon signatures

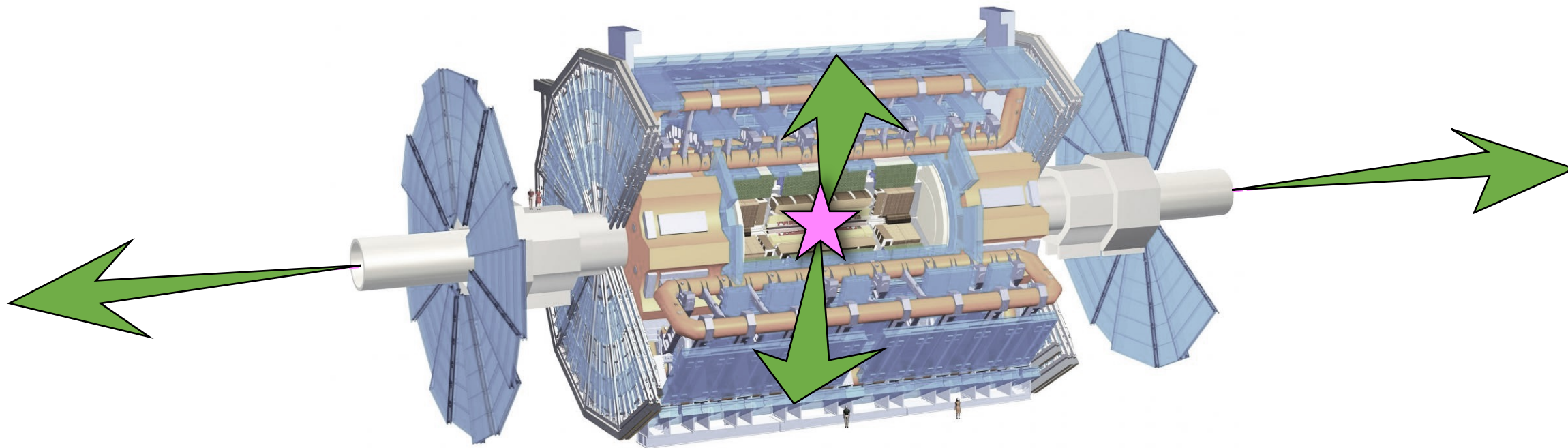


Only more data will tell if only stat fluctuation, or something exciting!
(remember: early Run2 750 GeV di-photon saga)

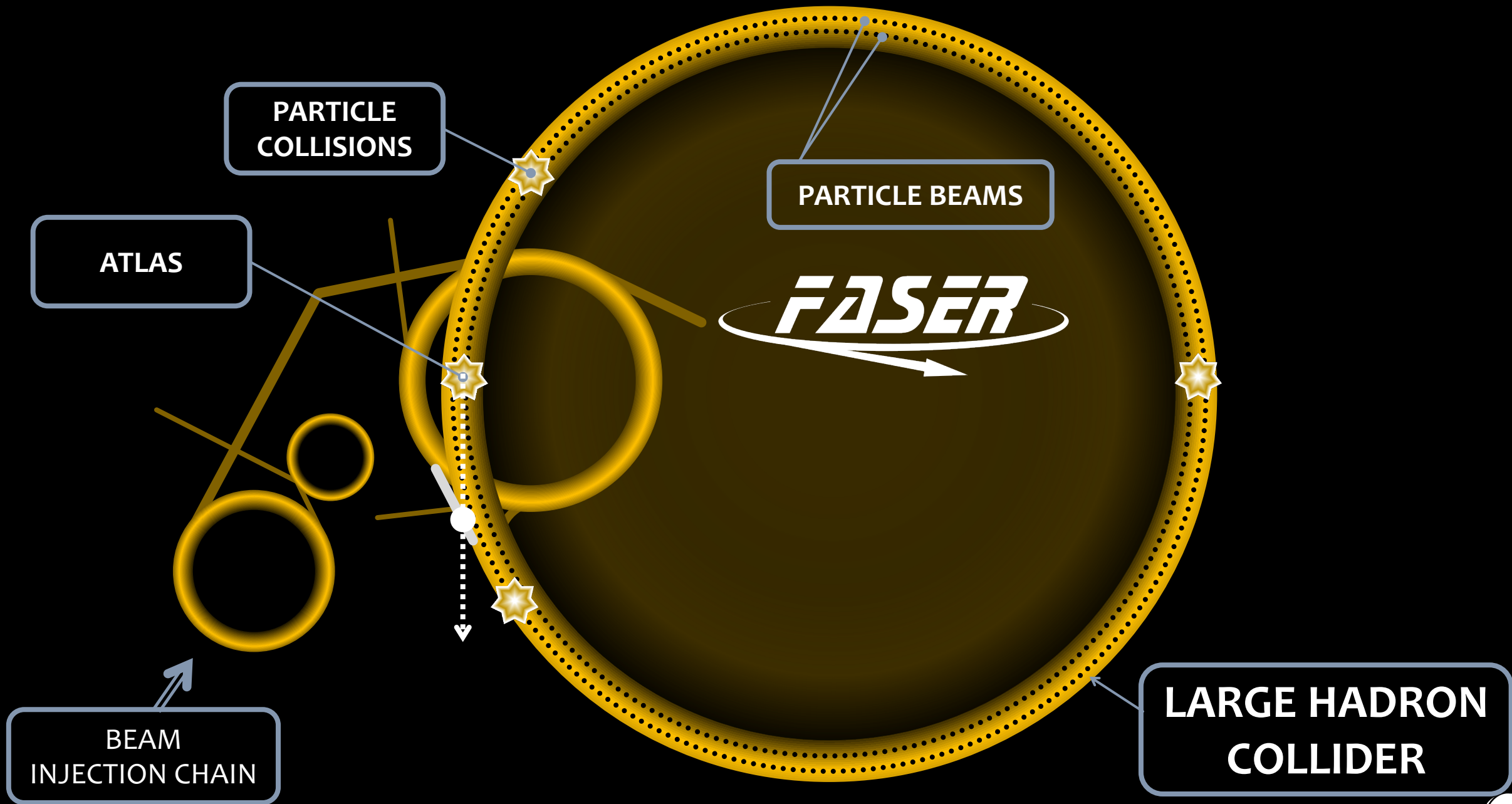




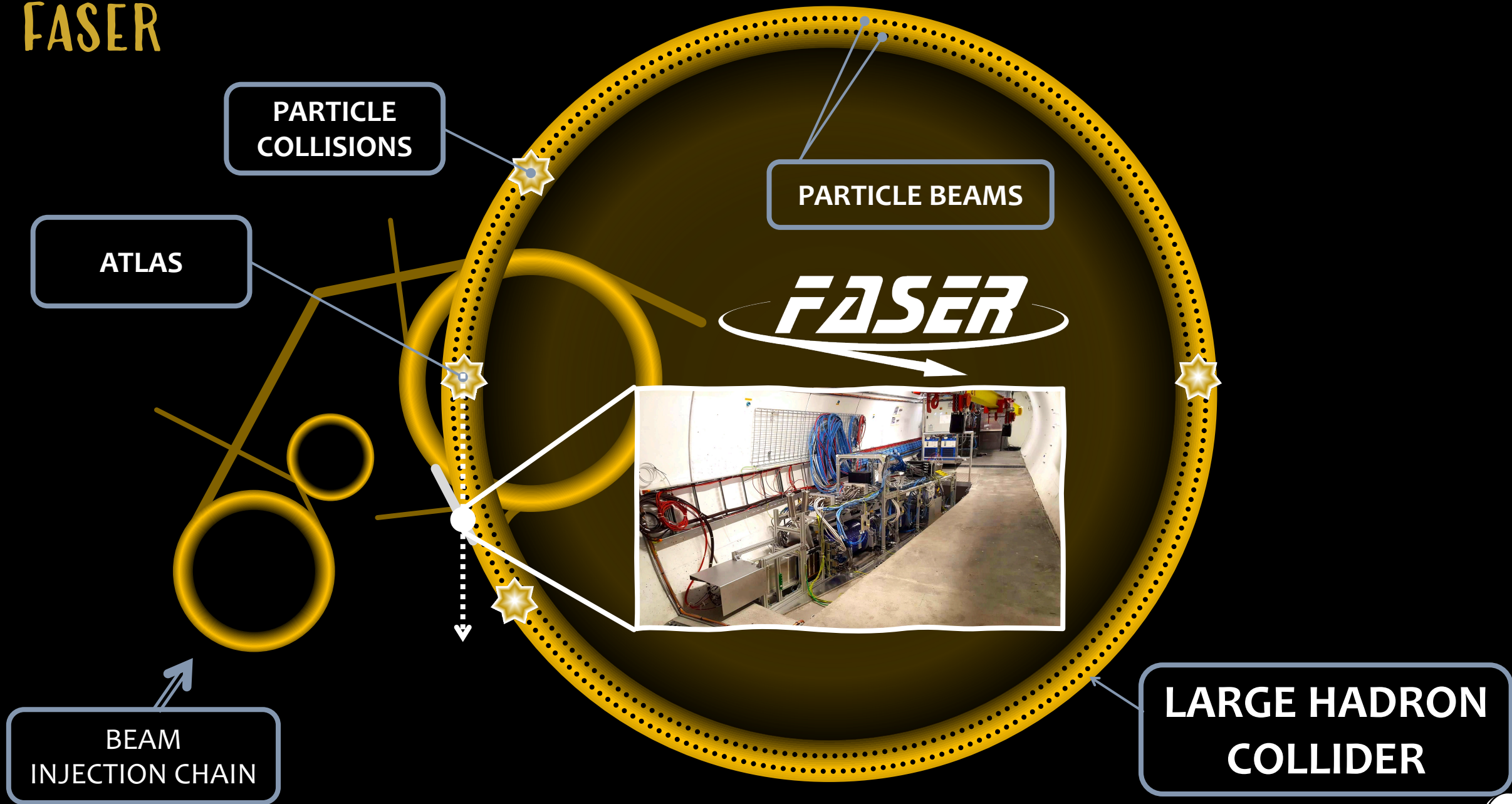
- 🎯 Improve instrumentation / diversify experimental methods
- 🎯 Get more data
- 🎯 Look at higher energies



VERY FORWARD EXPERIMENTS AT THE LHC



FASER



FASER

PARTICLE COLLISIONS

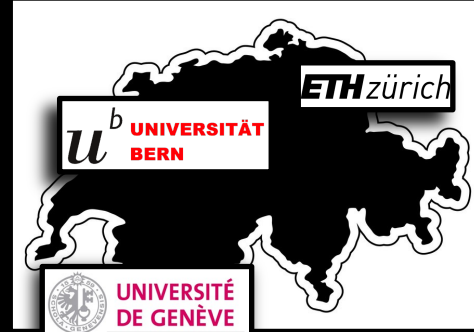
PARTICLE BEAMS

ATLAS

FASER

BEAM INJECTION CHAIN

LARGE HADRON COLLIDER





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ATTENTION
TENSION
DANGER



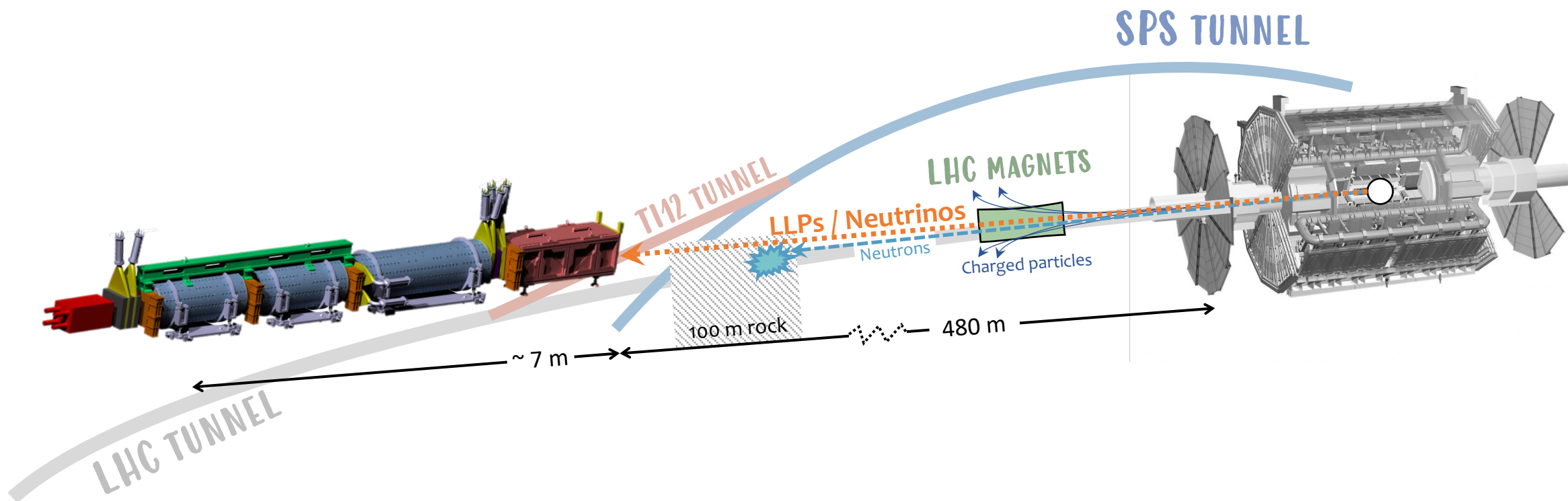
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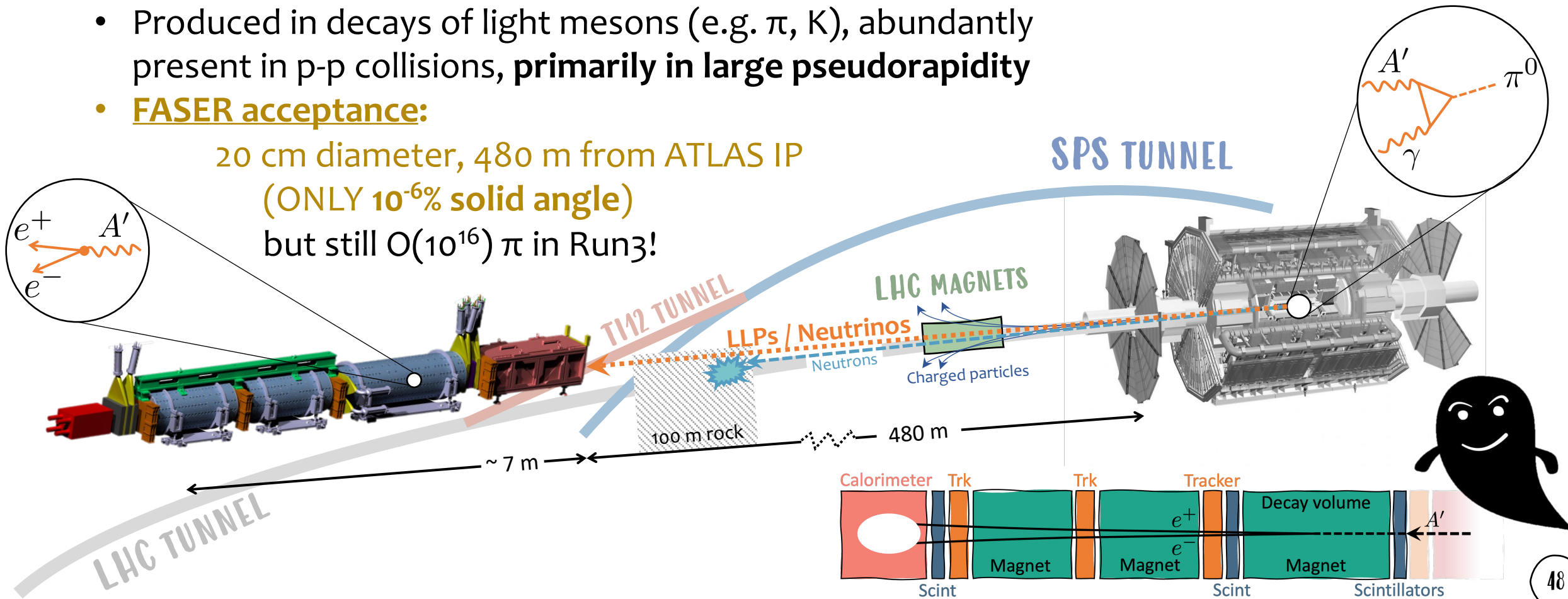
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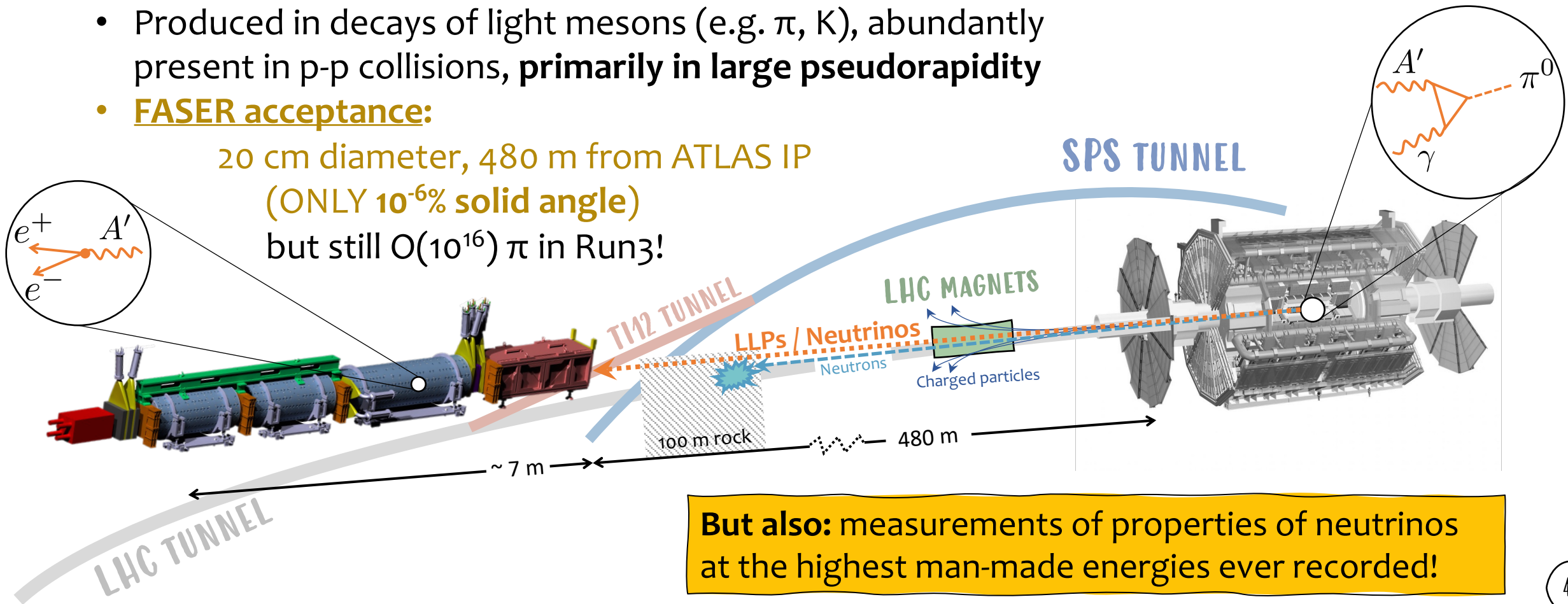
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But also: measurements of properties of neutrinos at the highest man-made energies ever recorded!



FEEBLY INTERACTING PARTICLES (FIPs)



- Due to interacting feebly, they are linked to a “hidden sector”
- Couplings between SM and hidden sector result from “portal” operators
- Large number of specific models; can be simplified to the following:

SM
Higgs h

$h \text{ ----- } (\mu S + \lambda S^2) H^\dagger H \text{ ----- } S$

Dark
Higgs S

New scalar: **Dark Higgs**; couplings to SM μ, λ

SM
EM A

$A \rightsquigarrow -\frac{\epsilon}{2 \cos \theta_W} F'_{\mu\nu} F_Y^{\mu\nu} \rightsquigarrow A_D$

Dark
EM A_D

New vector: **Dark photon**; coupling to SM $\propto \epsilon Q$

SM
 2γ or $2f$

$2\gamma \text{ --- } \frac{\alpha}{f_\alpha} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$
 $2f \text{ ---- } \frac{\partial_\mu \alpha}{f_\alpha} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi$

ALP
 α

New pseudo-scalar: **ALP**; coupling to SM suppressed
(Axion Like Particle)

SM
LH ν

$\nu \text{ --- } y_N h L \psi_D \text{ --- } N$

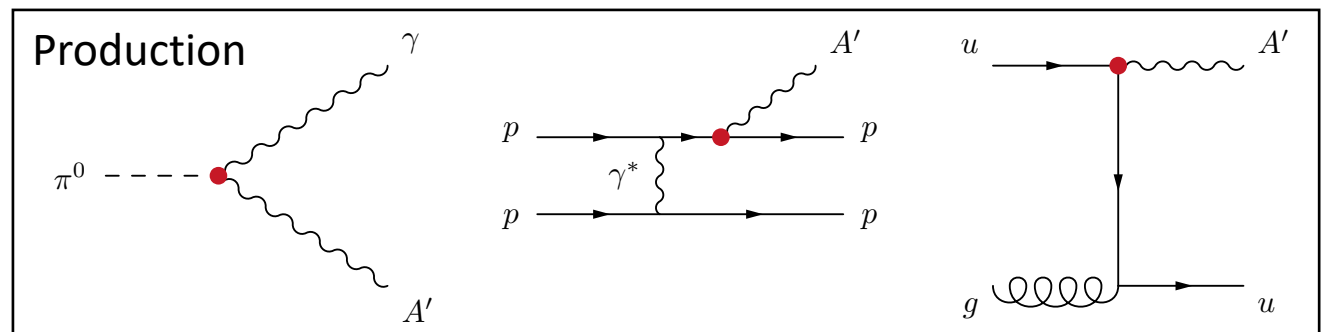
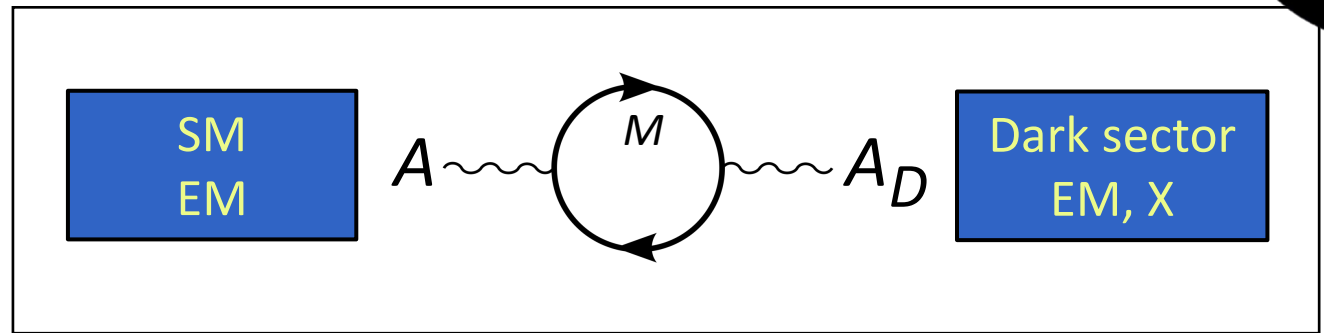
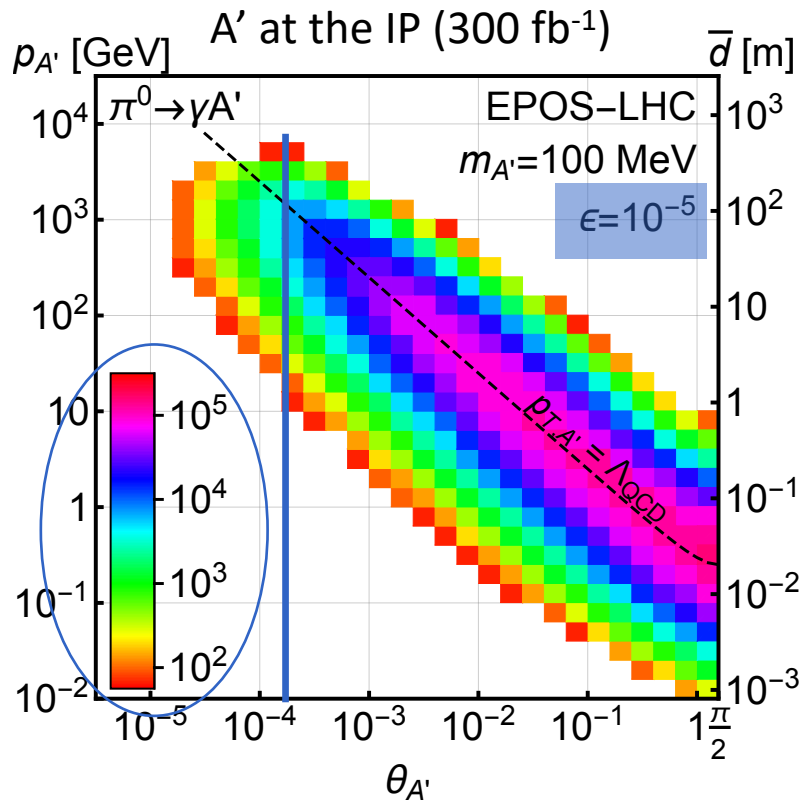
HNL
 N

New fermion: **HNL**; coupling to LH SM and $h \propto y_N$
(Heavy Neutral Lepton)

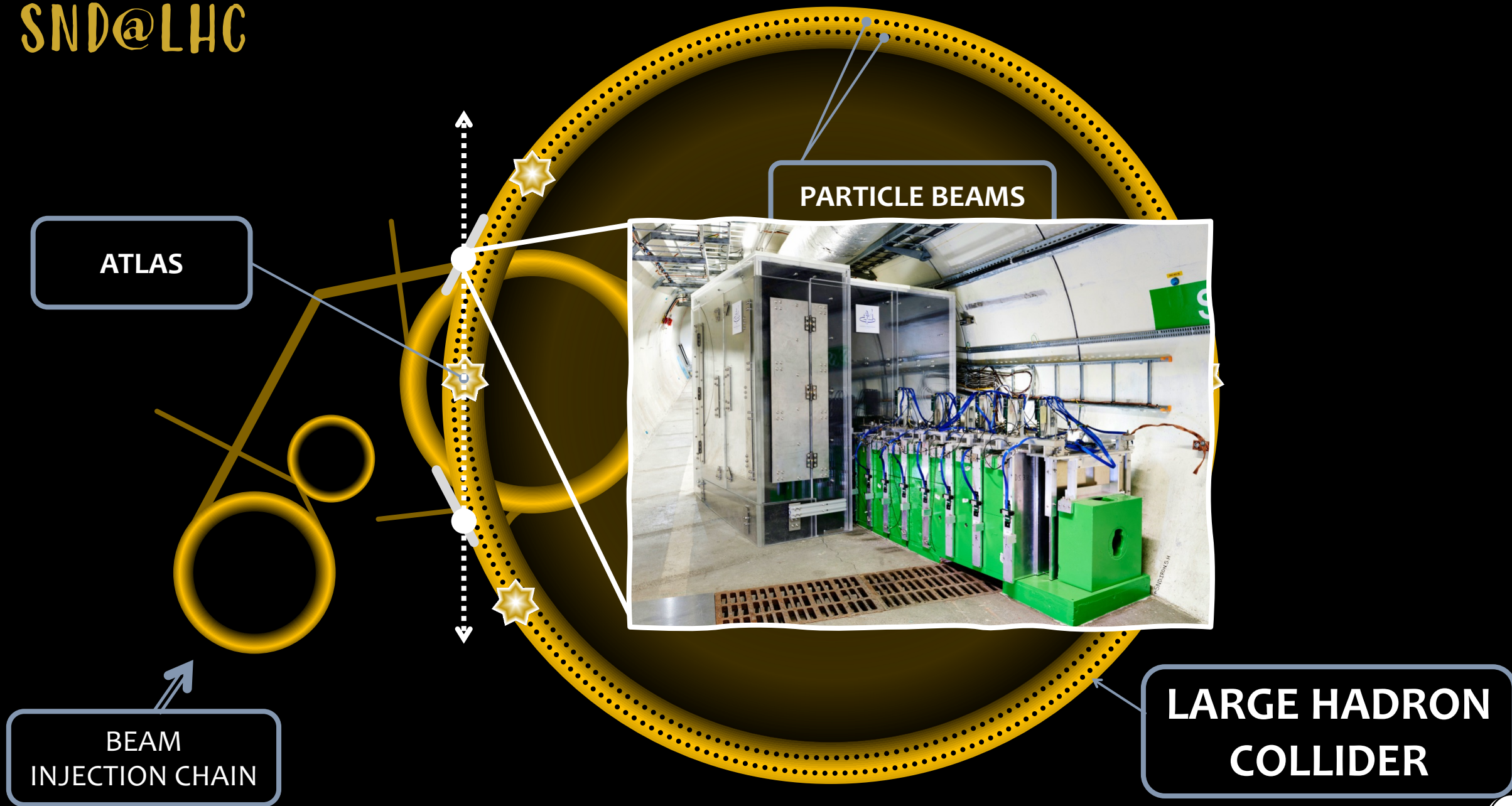
- The masses of the new particles can span several orders of magnitude

An example physics case: Dark Photon A'

- New **massive** gauge boson in a dark sector with dark matter candidate X
- Spin 1, **couples weakly to SM fermions** (ϵQ_f coupling, small ϵ) through mixing with the photon
 - Will be searched for via its **decay to an electron-positron pair**
- For $m_{A'}=100$ MeV, $\epsilon \sim 10^{-5}$ and $E \sim \text{TeV}$, can travel long distance before decay



SND@LHC



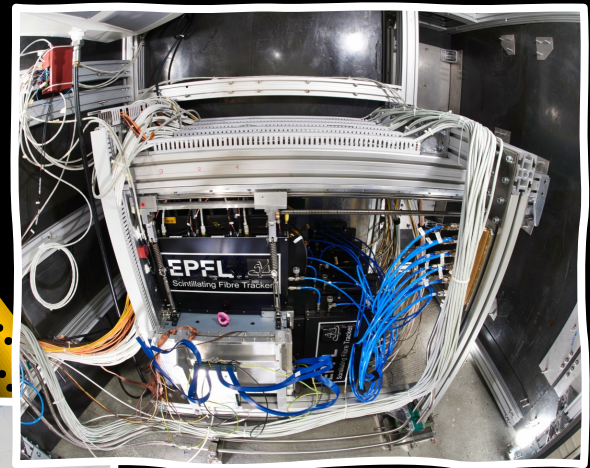
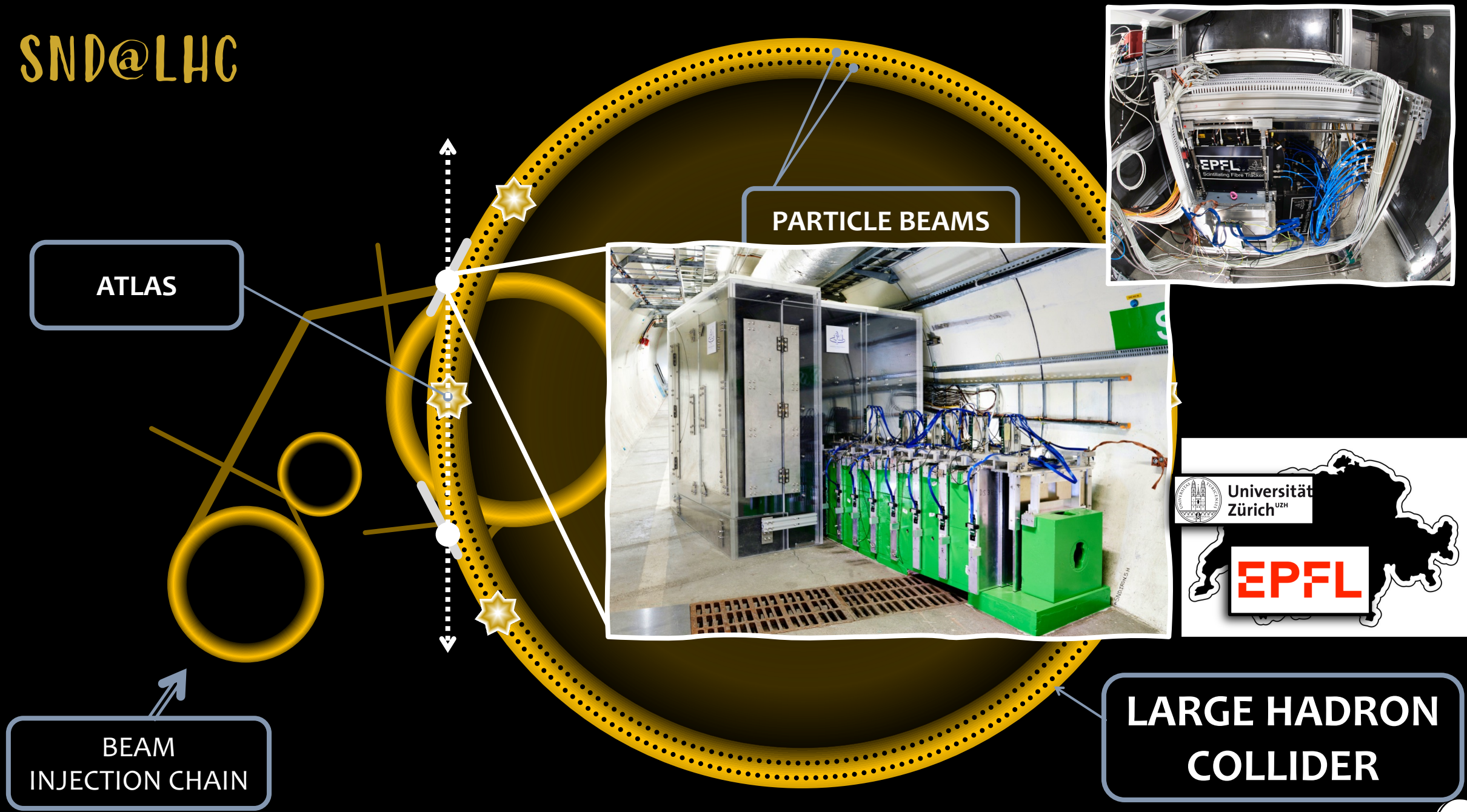
ATLAS

PARTICLE BEAMS

BEAM
INJECTION CHAIN

LARGE HADRON
COLLIDER

SND@LHC



BEAM INJECTION CHAIN

PARTICLE BEAMS

ATLAS

LARGE HADRON COLLIDER

HIGHLIGHTS FROM RECENT RESULTS

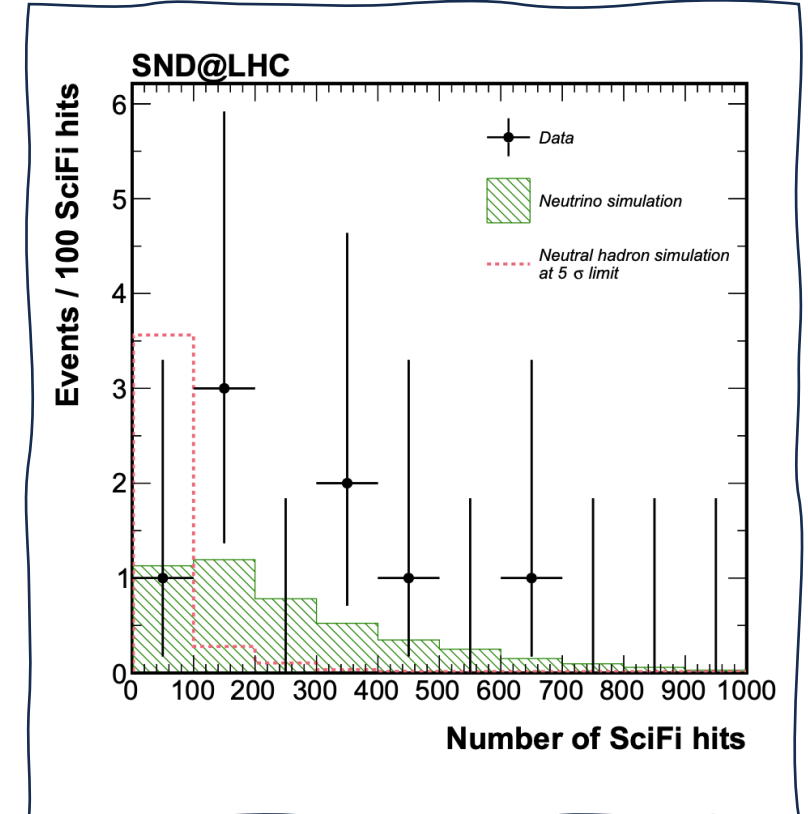
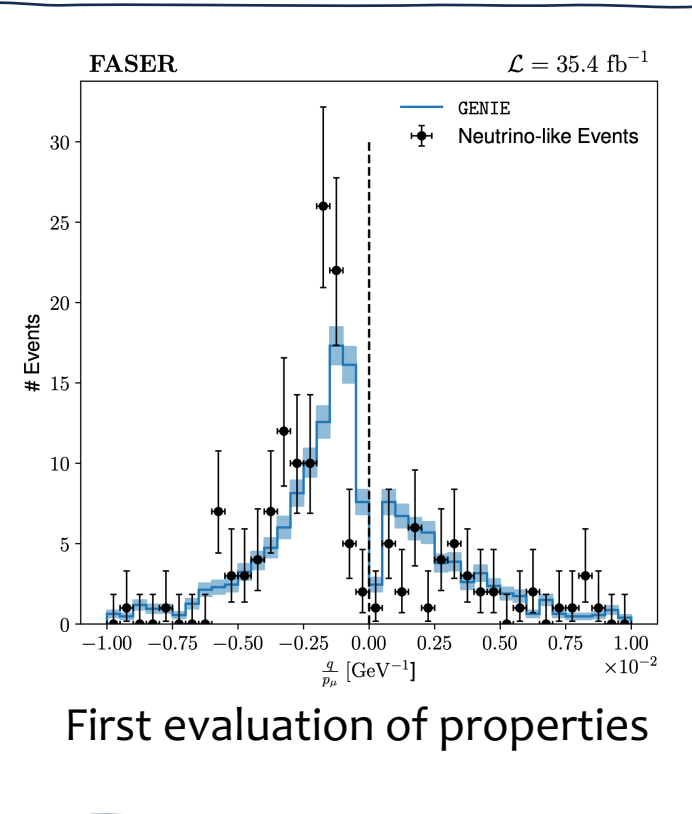
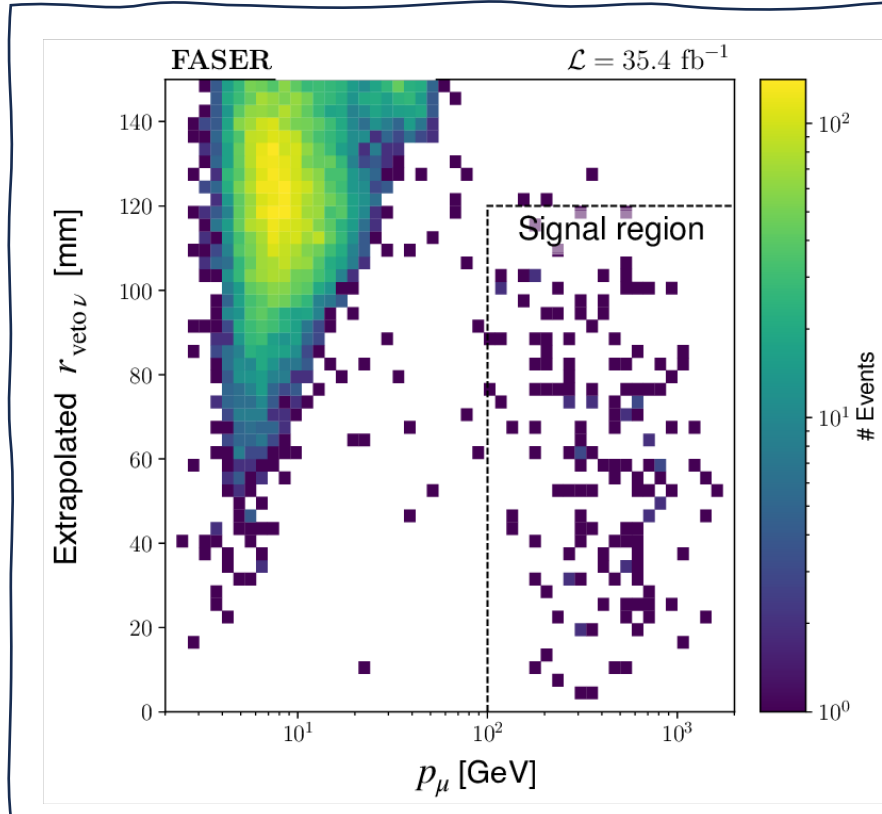
FIRST DIRECT DETECTION OF COLLIDER NEUTRINOS



153 events $\Rightarrow \gg 5\sigma$ significance
Background ~ 0.2 events



8 events $\Rightarrow > 5\sigma$ significance
Background < 0.1 events



Emulsion detector data

Candidates available, including ν_e events

Discovery of ν_e established using emulsion data

[CERN-FASER-CONF-2023-002](#)

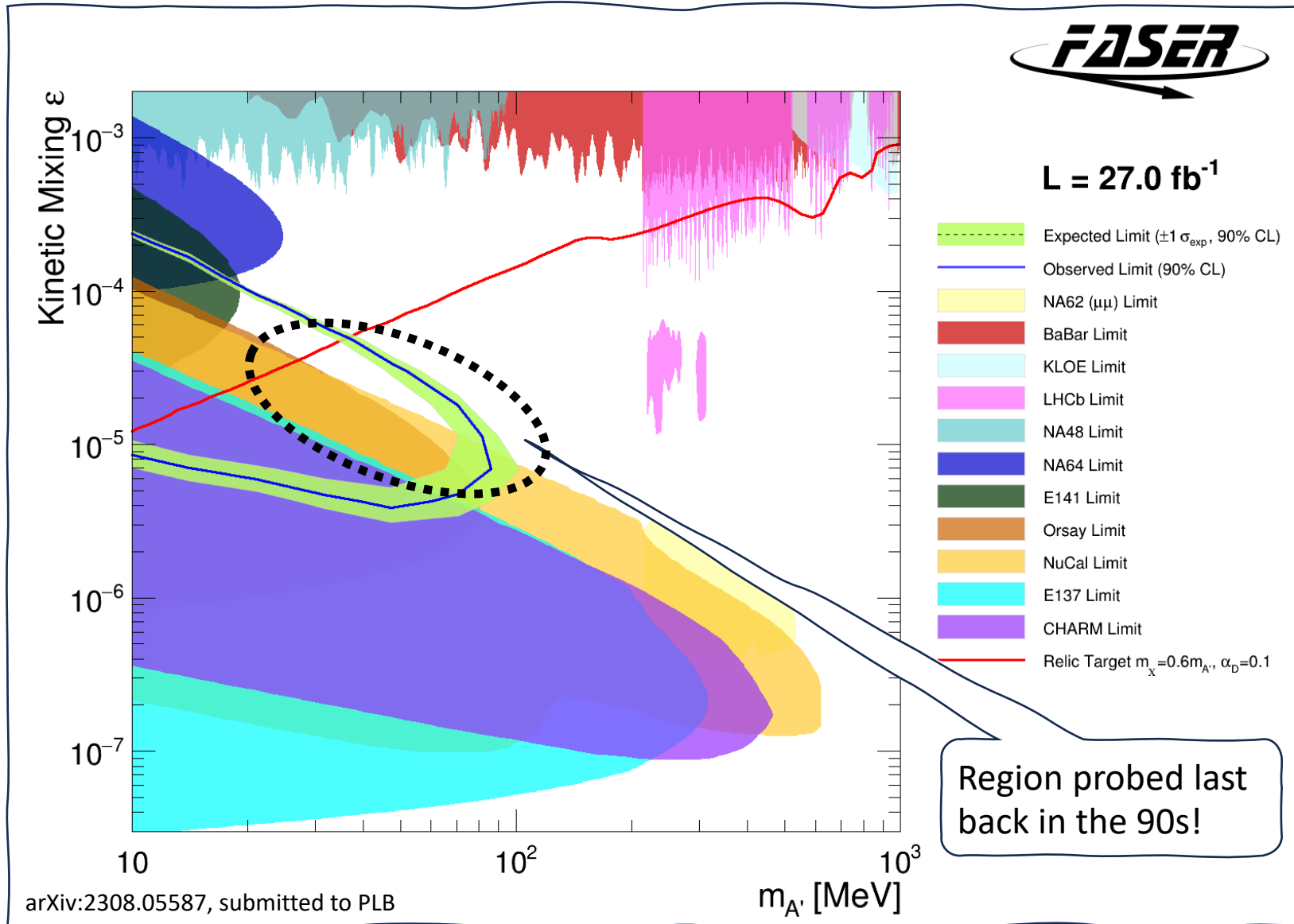
This specific event:

- A very clean high-energy ν_e candidate
- Energy of electron ~ 1.5 TeV

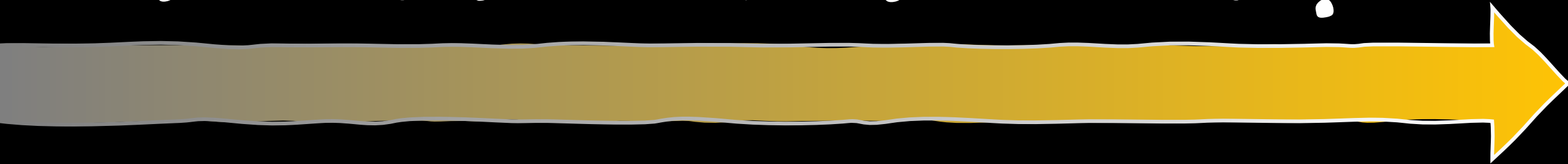


100 μm

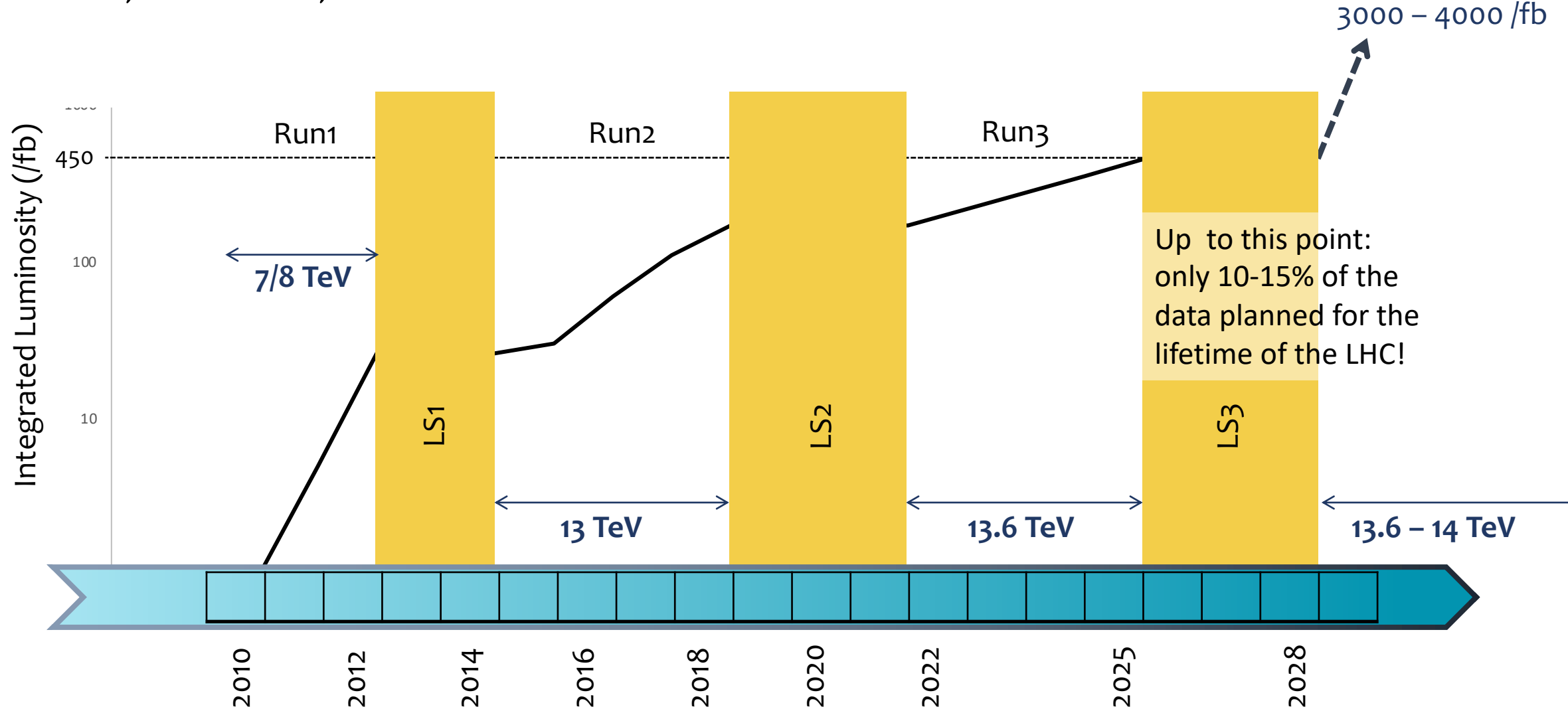
SEARCHES FOR DARK PHOTONS



WHAT'S BEYOND LHC RUN3 ?



RUN1, RUN2, RUN3 AND BEYOND



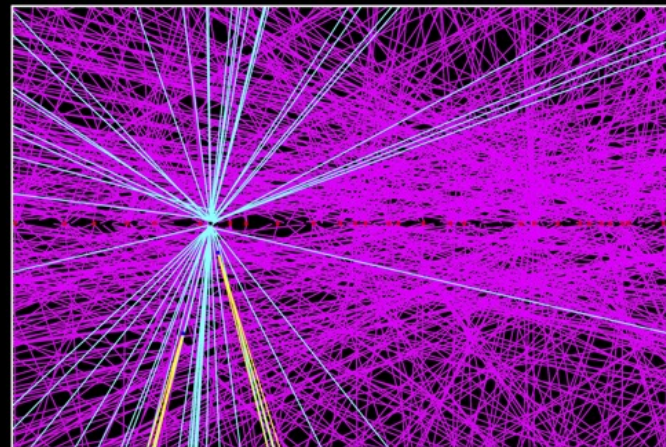
Required HL-LHC detector upgrades

Unprecedented challenges :

- amounts of radiation ($\sim 2 \times 10^{16}$ n_{eq}/cm²)
- data rates (> 5 GHz p-p collisions)
- data volume (~ 350 PB of RAW data / year)

Development of :

- radiation hard detectors
- fast electronics
- new detection methods, e.g. use of timing
- new software & computing approaches



12 000 tracks in
the tracker acceptance!

NEW (FORWARD) PROJECTS IN THE HORIZON

Aligned with the recommendations of recent community studies

The full physics potential of the LHC and the HL- LHC [...] should be exploited.

1st recommendation of the 2020 European Strategy Update



A diverse programme that is complementary to the energy frontier is an essential part of the European particle physics Strategy. Experiments in such diverse areas that offer potential high-impact particle physics programmes at laboratories in Europe should be supported, as well as participation in such experiments in other regions of the world

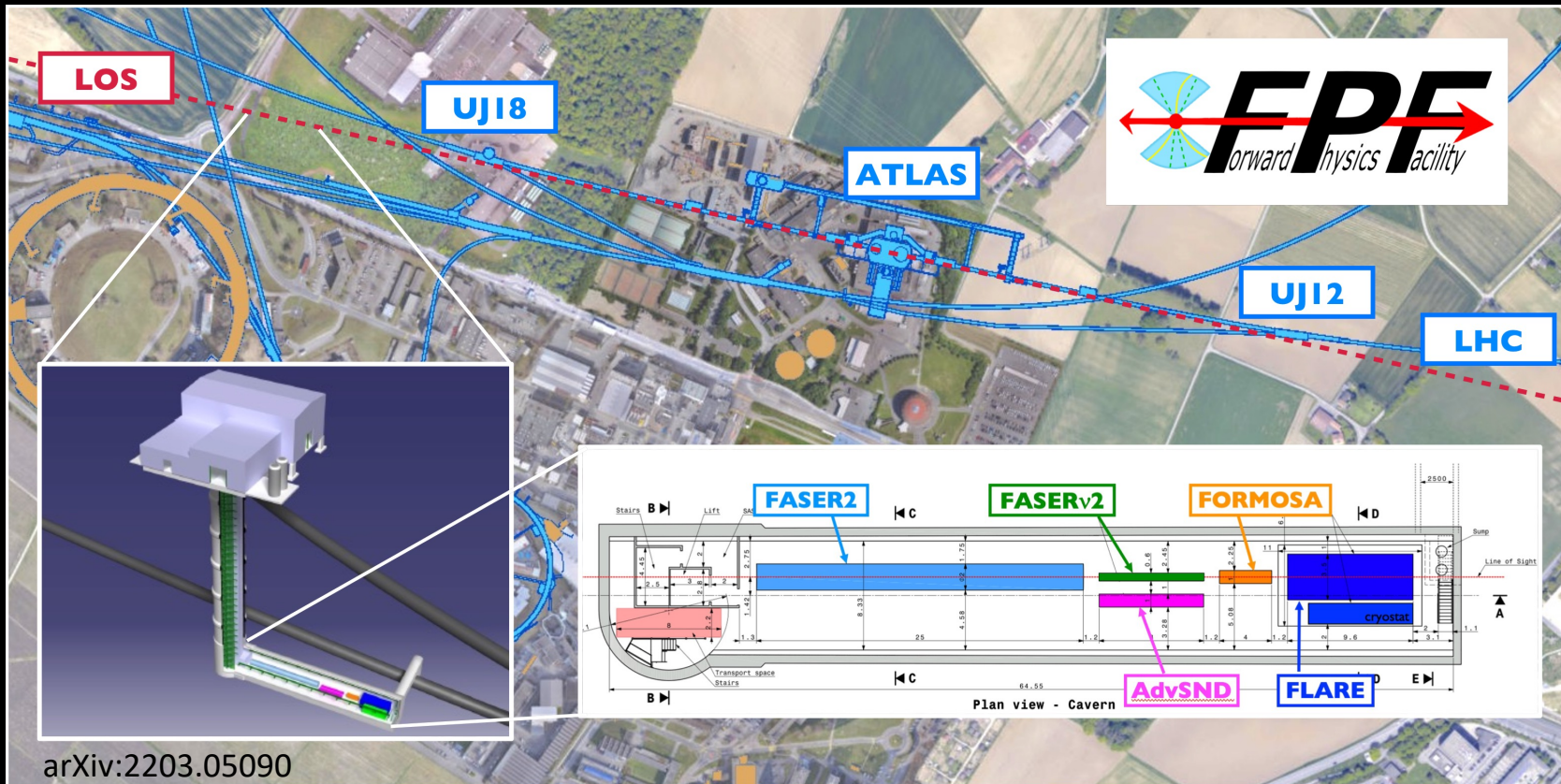
Recommendation of the 2020 European Strategy Update

Our highest immediate priority accelerator and project is the HL-LHC, [...] including the construction of auxiliary experiments that extend the reach of HL-LHC in kinematic regions uncovered by the detector upgrades.

Snowmass 2021 Energy Frontier Report

A TEASER FOR THE PROPOSED FORWARD PHYSICS FACILITY

The rich physics program in the far-forward region strongly motivates creating a dedicated Forward Physics Facility to house far-forward experiments for the HL-LHC era from 2028-2040s



LoI expected by around the beginning of 2024

More: [Submitted to P5](#) just in April 2023

[LoI for SNOWMASS-2021](#)

[arXiv:2203.05090](#)

[FPF – Kickoff workshop](#)

[FPF – 5th workshop](#)

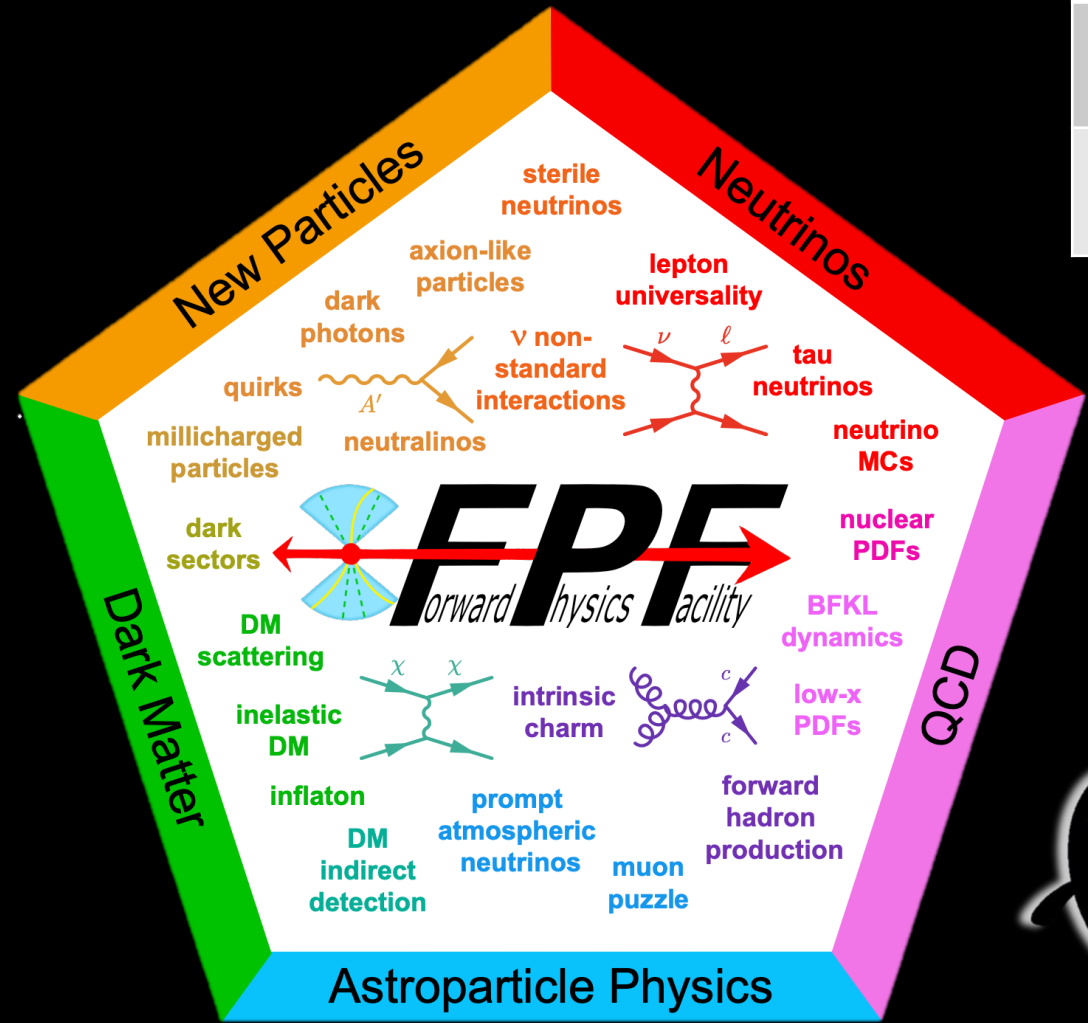
[FPF – 6th workshop just last week!](#)

arXiv:2203.05090

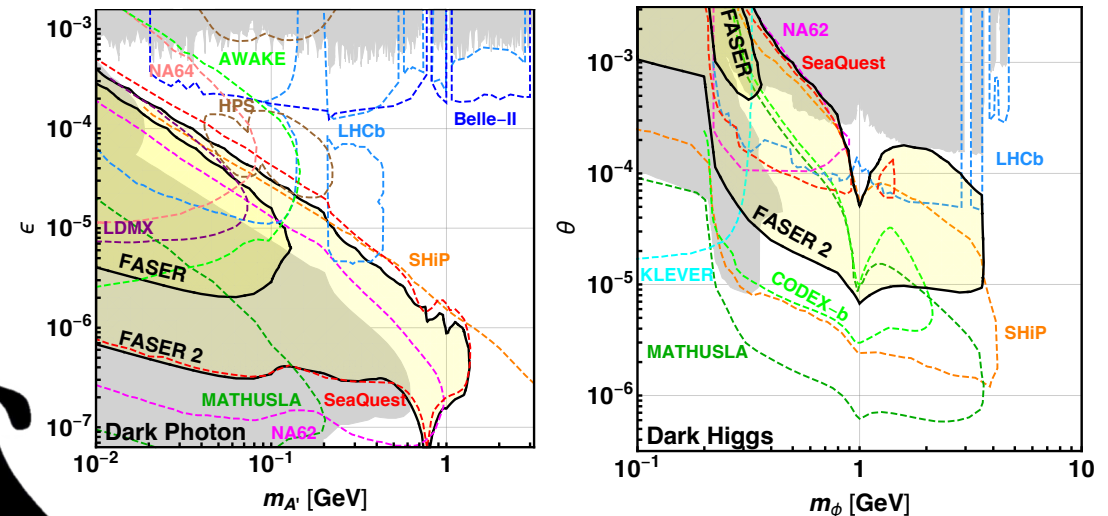
THE PHYSICS PROGRAMME OF **FPF**

	Available lumi	Mass of ν detector	ν_e	ν_μ	ν_τ
# interacting in FASERν	150 / fb	1 tn Tungsten	~ 1000	~ 20000	~ 10
# interacting in FASERν2	3000 / fb	10 tn Tungsten	$\sim 10^5$	$\sim 10^6$	$\sim 10^4$

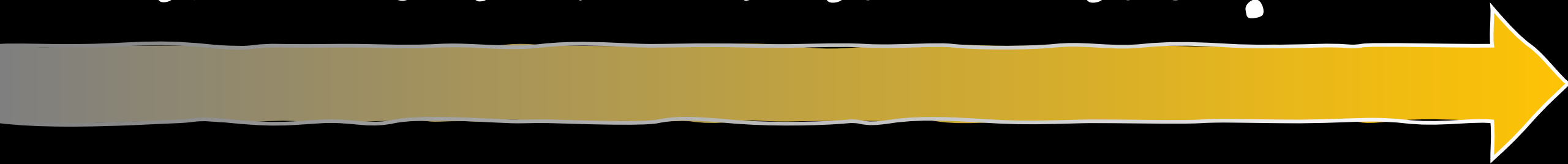
Unprecedented numbers of detectable neutrinos, at energy ranges where there is **currently no available data!**

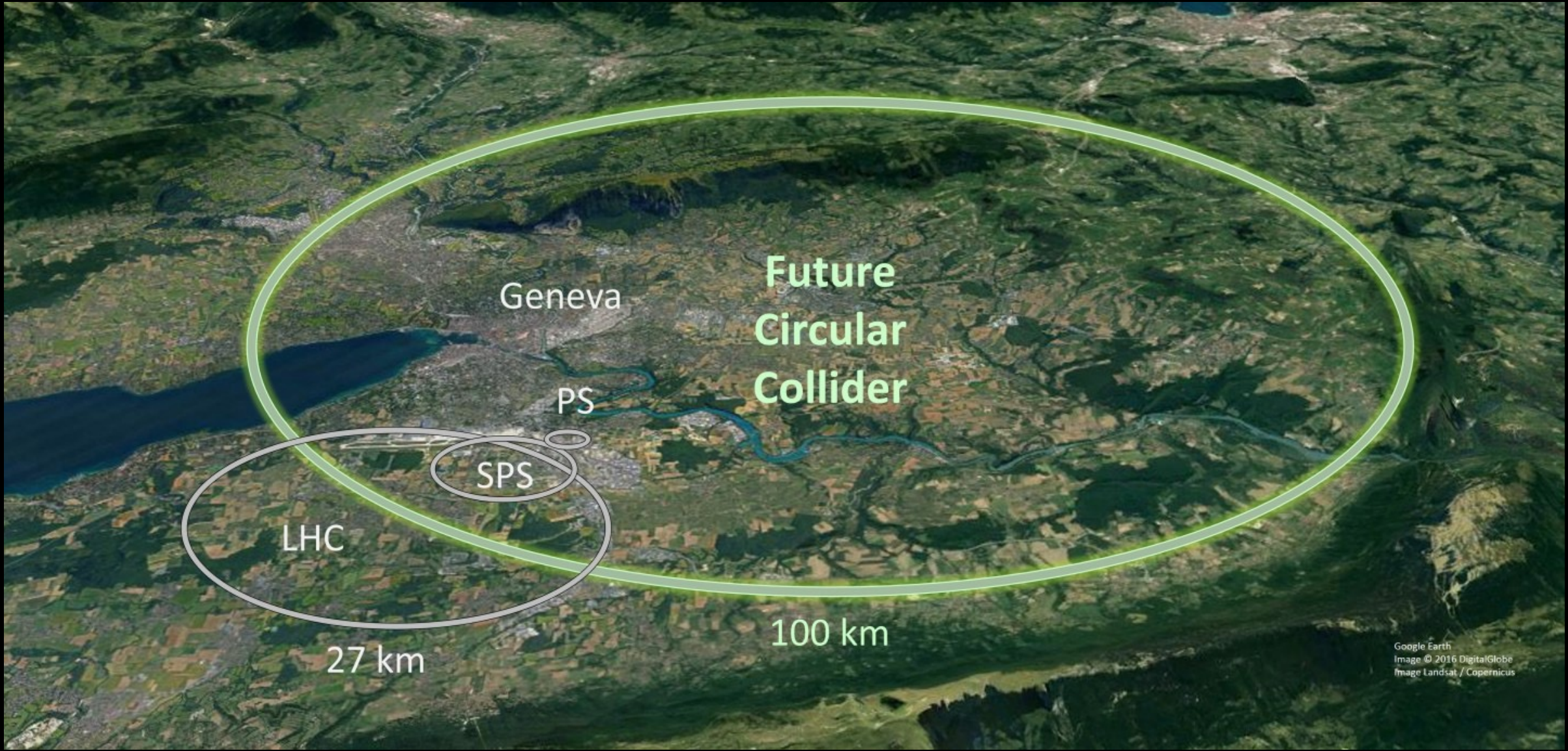


Increased BSM physics case **beyond** just increased luminosity



WHAT'S BEYOND HL-LHC?





Geneva

Future
Circular
Collider

PS

SPS

LHC

27 km

100 km

Google Earth
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THE FCC PROJECT

2020 EUROPEAN STRATEGY UPDATE



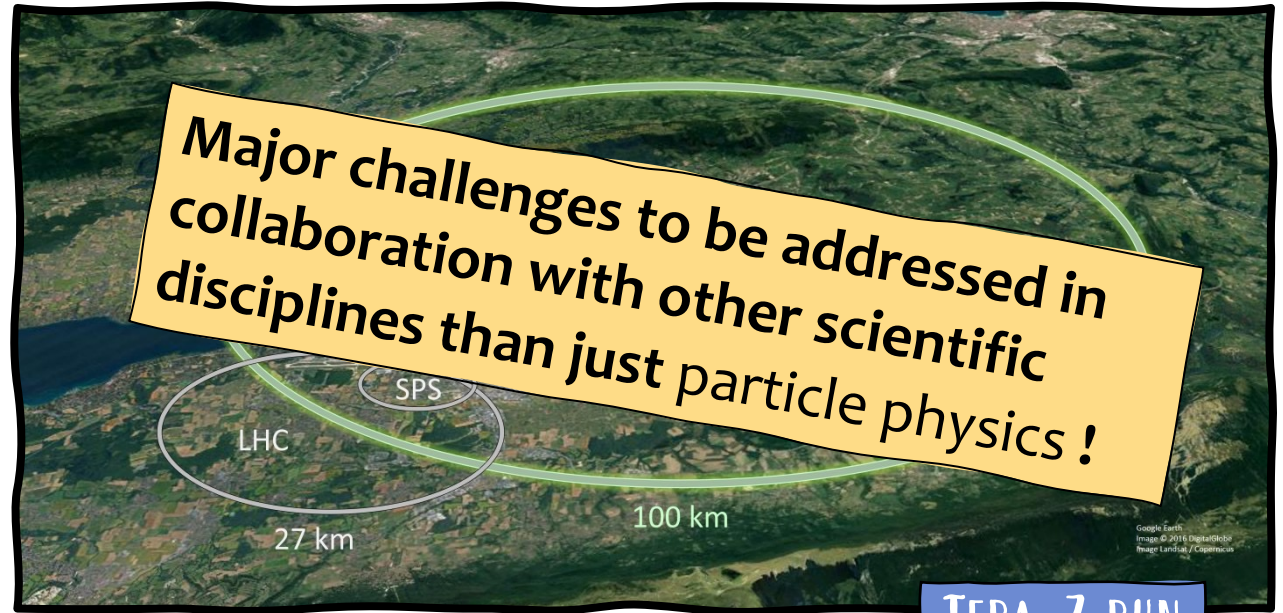
An **electron-positron Higgs factory** is **the highest-priority next collider**. For the longer term, the European particle physics community has the ambition to operate a proton-proton collider at the highest achievable energy.

<https://europeanstrategy.cern/european-strategy-for-particle-physics>



Aims at pushing both **energy** and **intensity frontiers** of particle colliders

- Conceptual design report (2020)
- Technical and financial feasibility study due for next EU strategy update (2027)

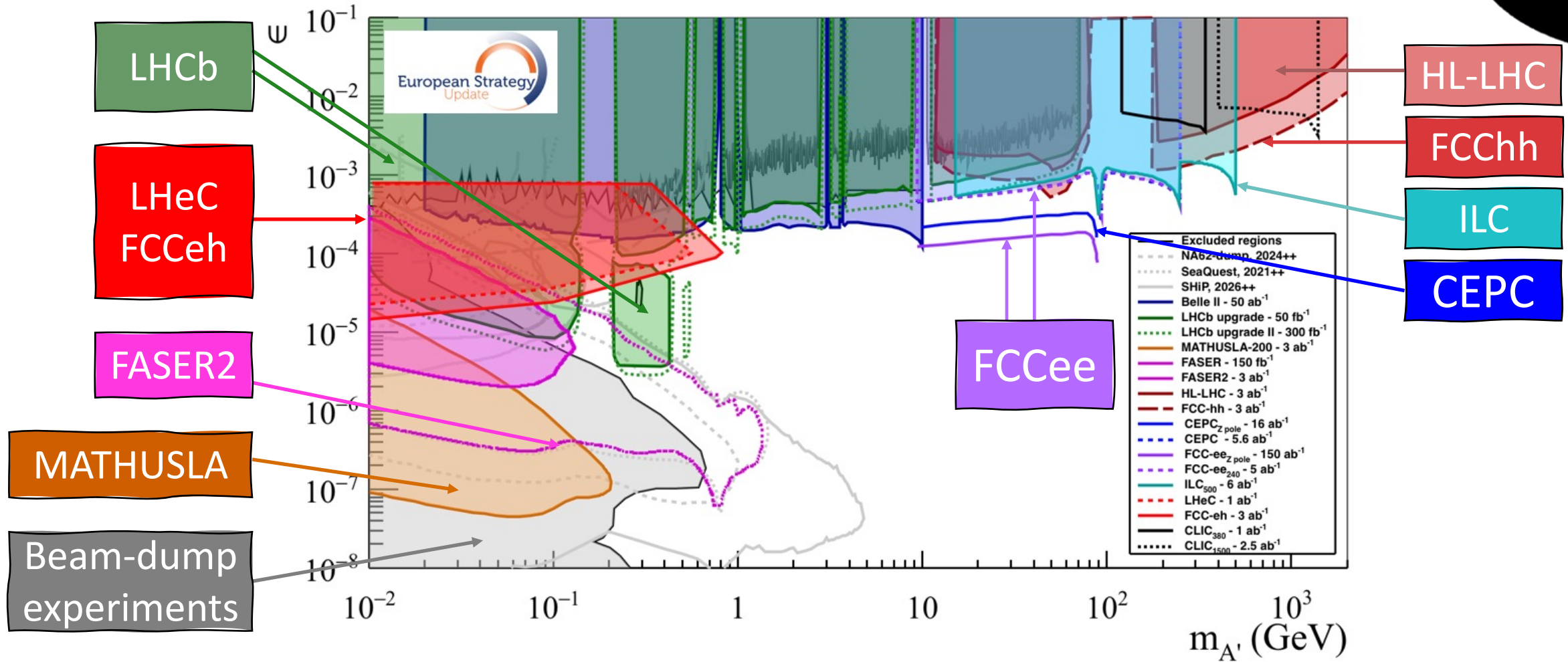


TERA-Z RUN

Stage	Collisions	CME	L (ab ⁻¹)	N events
FCC-ee	e ⁺ e ⁻	90 GeV (Z-pole)	150	5x10 ¹² Z
		160 GeV (WW)	10	10 ⁸ WW
		240 GeV (HZ)	5	10 ⁶ HZ
		365 GeV (tt)	1.5	10 ⁶ tt
FCC-hh	pp	100 TeV	30	2x10 ¹⁰ H 3x10 ⁷ HH
FCC-eh	ep	3.5 TeV		

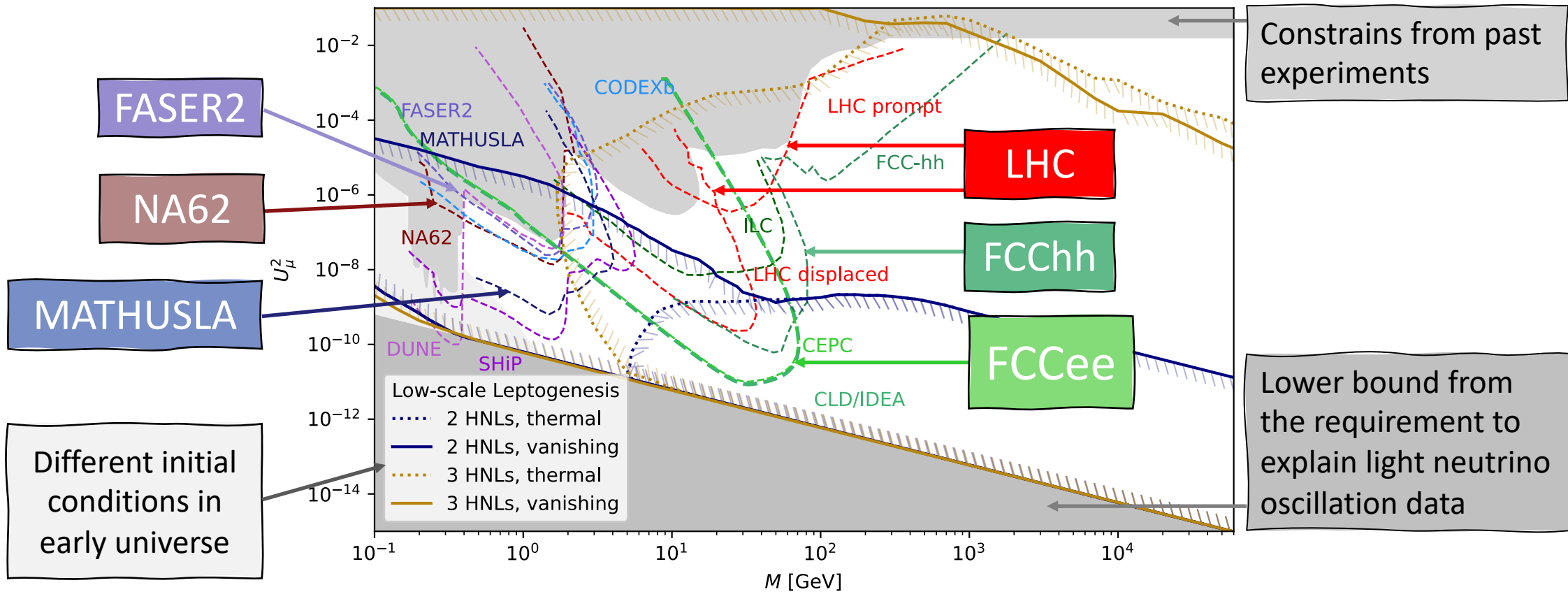
Runs with heavy ions not included

VECTOR PORTAL – REACH FOR DARK PHOTONS

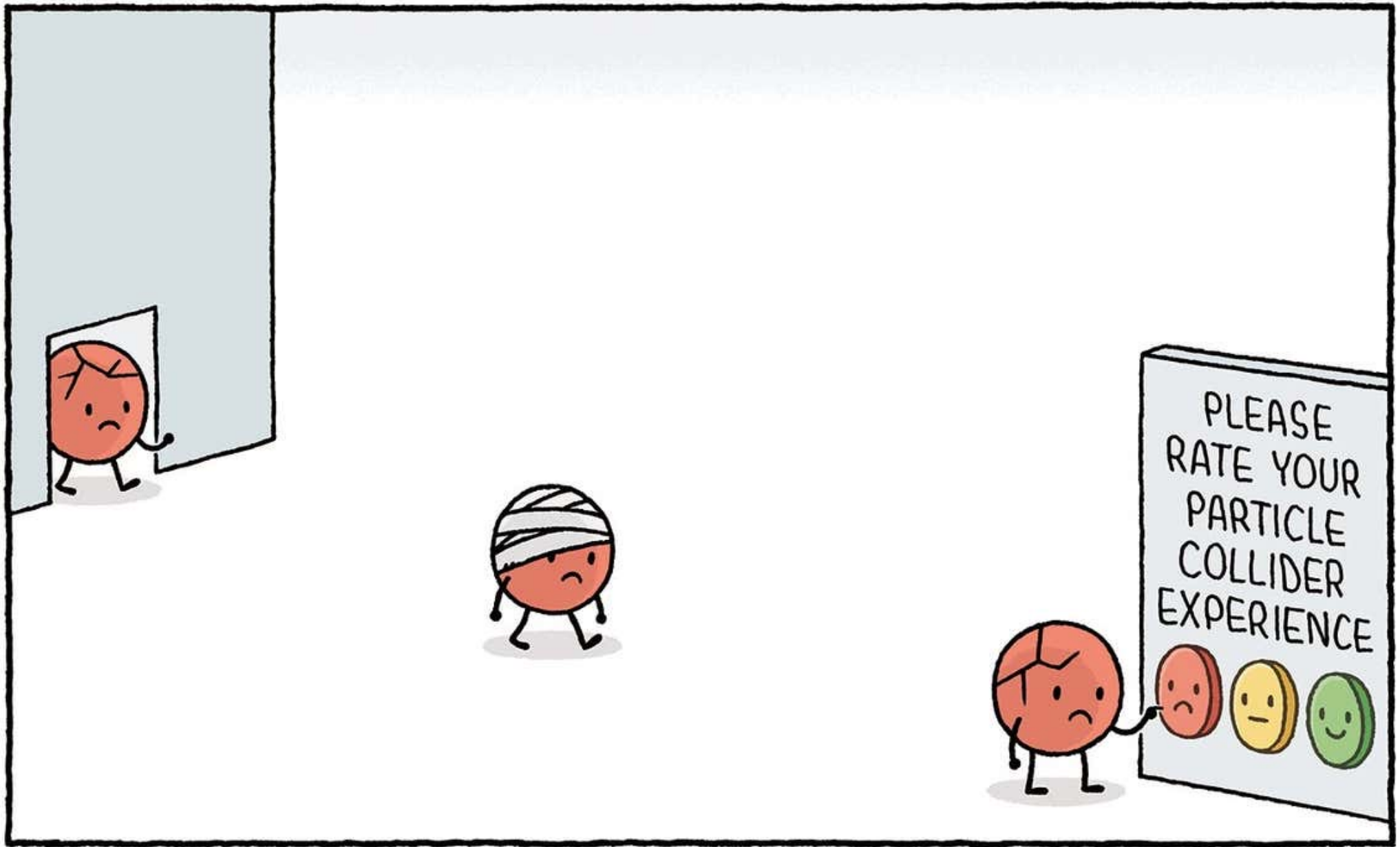


Complementarity of collider and other accelerator experiments

REACH FOR HNLS IN FUTURE EXPERIMENTS



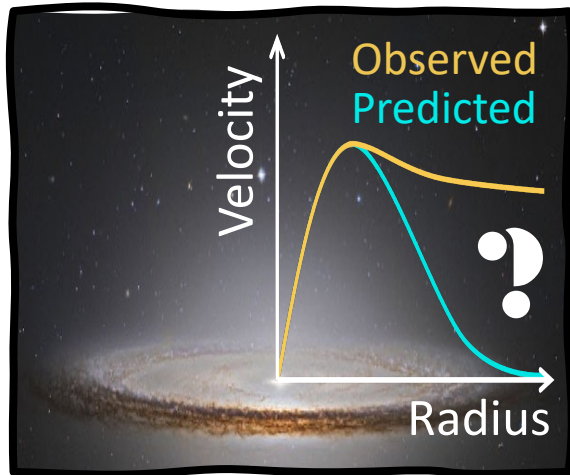
FCC-ee running at the Z-pole has the potential to exclude the region of masses and couplings down to the see-saw limit



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Extras

THE LANDSCAPE OF NEW PARTICLES @ COLLIDERS



- Simple mechanism for DM evolution: “freeze out”

