

# Experimental methods in particle physics

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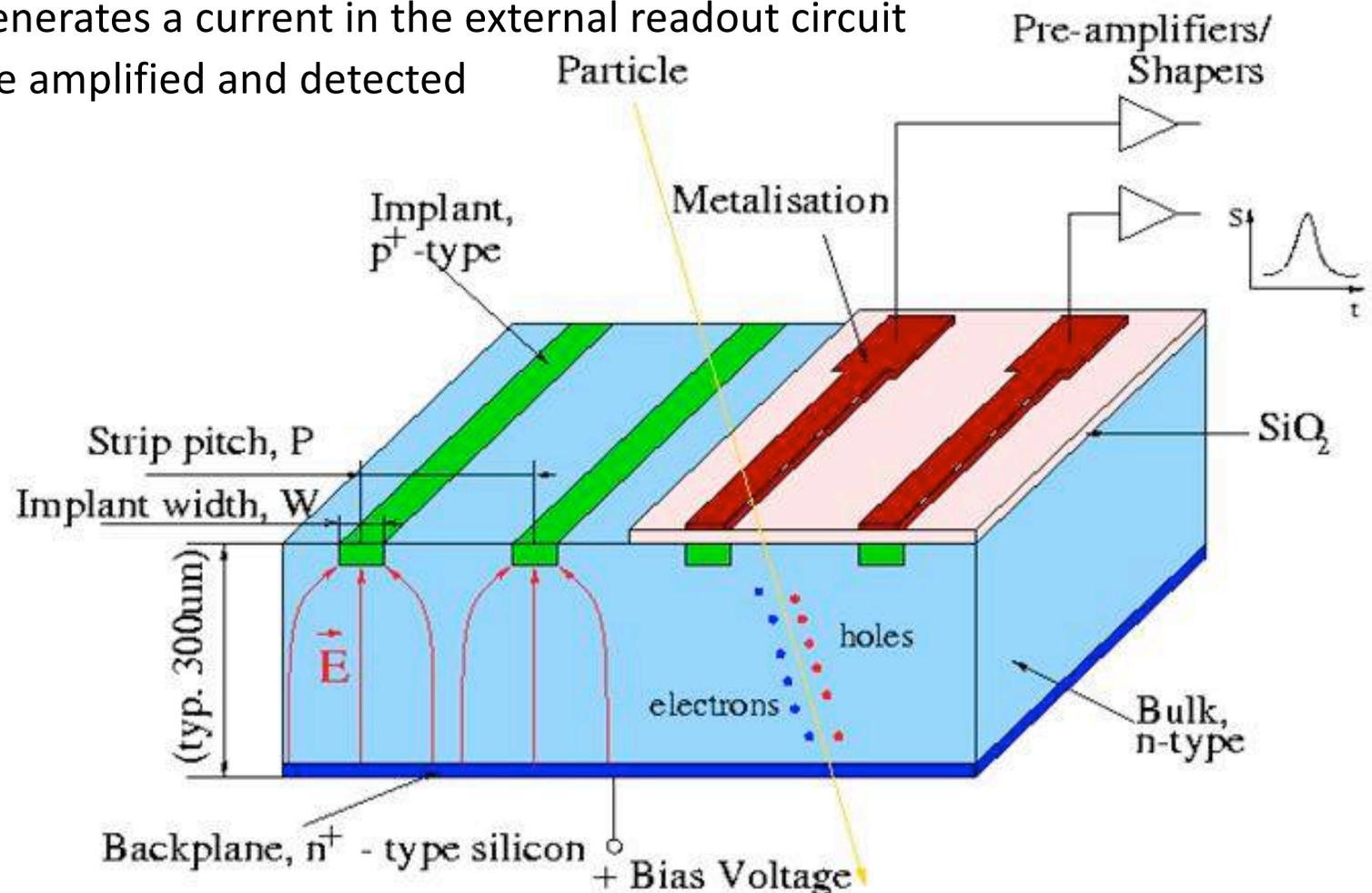
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<http://atomfizika.elte.hu/rfkm/rfkm2019.html>

# Semi-conductor (silicon) detectors

- Principle of ionization chamber
- Reverse bias  $\rightarrow$  wide depletion zone
- Incoming charged particle creates electron - hole pairs
- Charge carriers move in the electrical field
- This movement generates a current in the external readout circuit
- The current can be amplified and detected

- Typical doping:
- $p^+$ :  $10^{15} / \text{cm}^3$
- $n$ :  $10^{12} / \text{cm}^3$



# Energy required for creation of an electron-hole pair

Ionization Energy > Band Gap

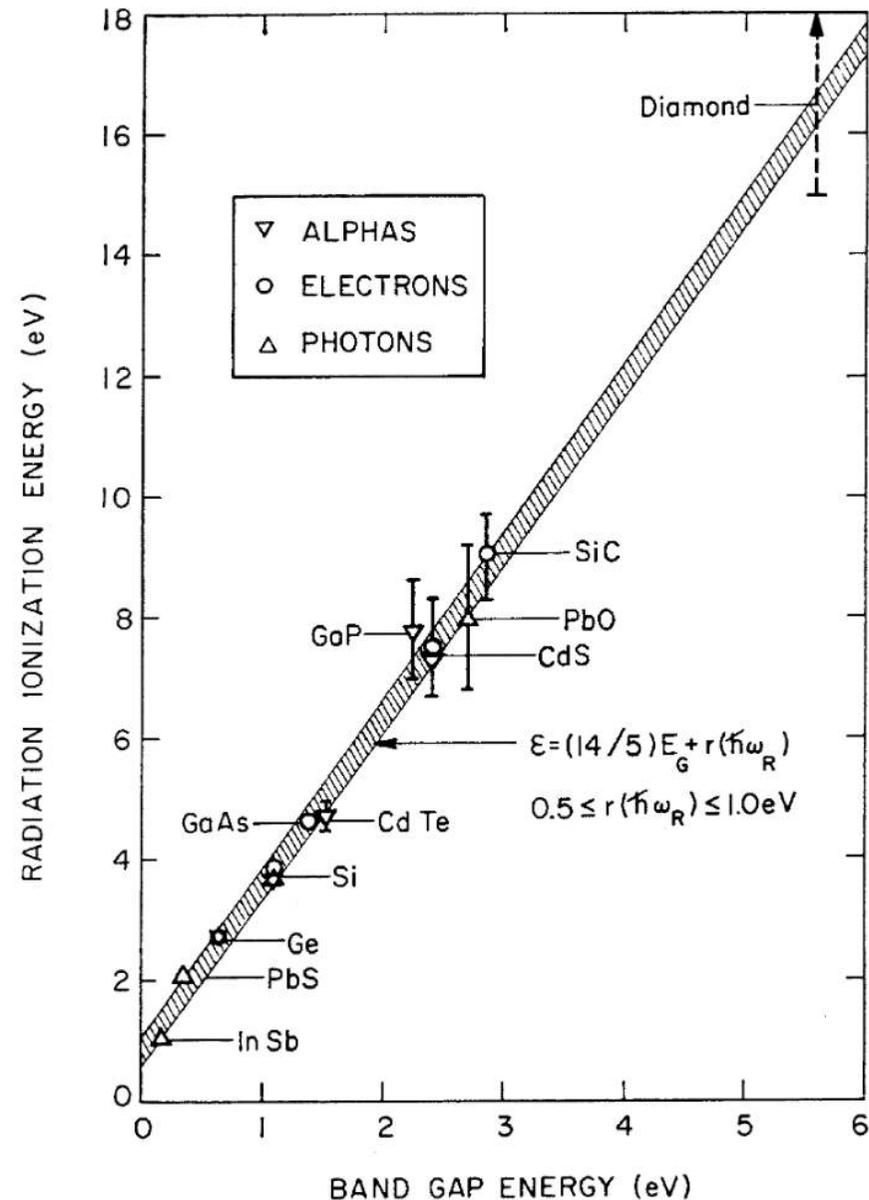
Formation of e-h pairs requires both

- 1) Conservation of energy
- 2) Conservation of momentum

→ additional energy excites phonons

$$\epsilon_i = C_1 + C_2 * E_g$$

Independent of material and type of radiation



# Spatial resolution

★ Threshold readout (one strip signal):

→ position:  $x = \text{strip position}$

→ resolution:  $\sigma_x \approx \frac{p}{\sqrt{12}}$

$p$  ... distance between strips  
(readout pitch)

$x$  ... position of particle track

★ charge center of gravity (signal on two strips):

→ position:

$$x = x_1 + \frac{h_1^2}{h_1 + h_2} (x_2 - x_1) = \frac{h_1 x_1 + h_2 x_2}{h_1 + h_2}$$

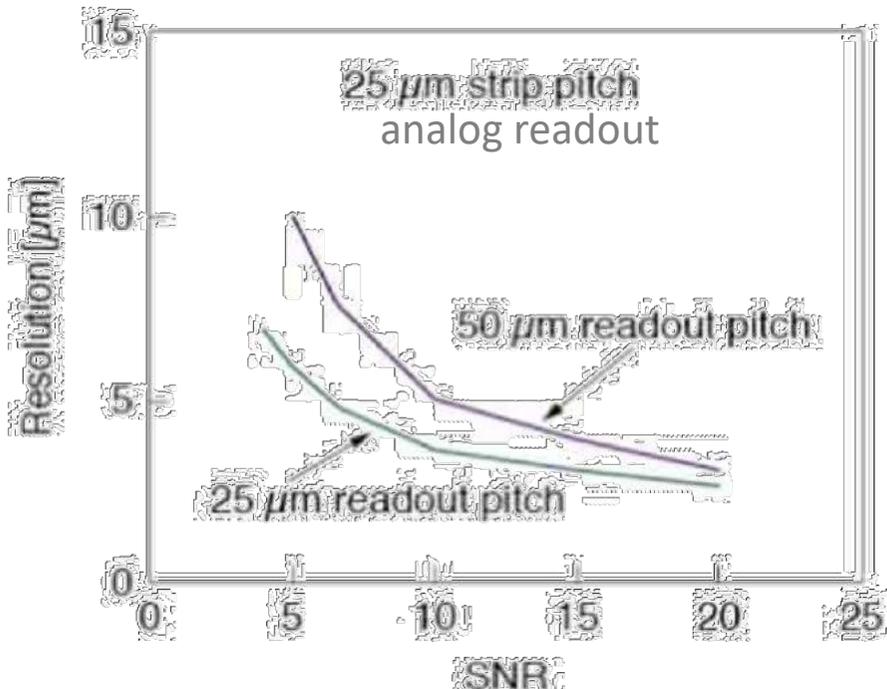
→ resolution:

$$\sigma_x \propto \frac{p}{SNR}$$

$x_1, x_2$  ... position of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> strip

$h_1, h_2$  ... signal on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> strip

$SNR$  ... signal to noise ratio



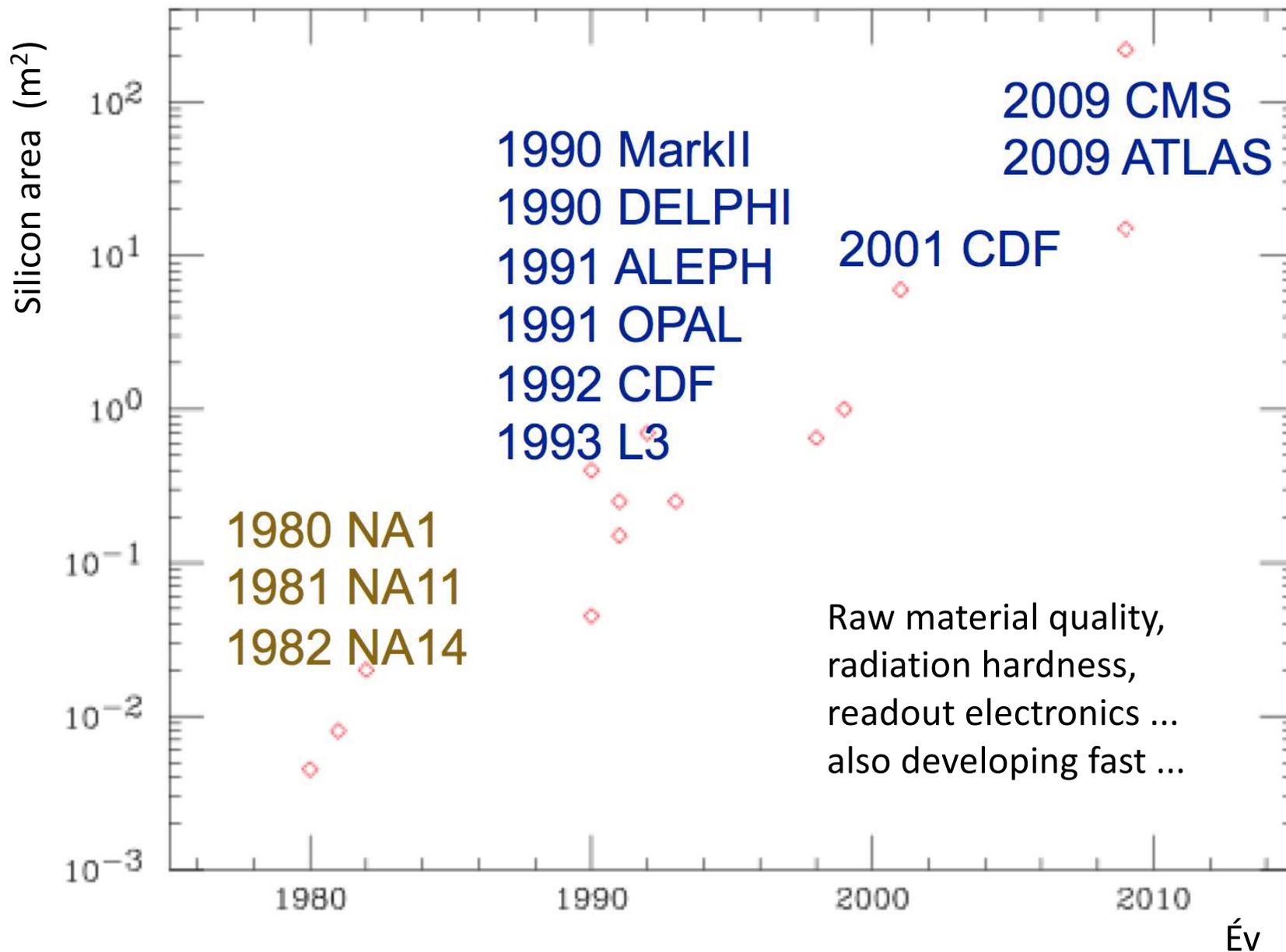
Example of a detector with strip pitch of 25 μm and analogue readout. The position resolution is plotted as a function of the SNR.

Bottom curve: every strip is connected to the readout electronics

Top curve: every 2<sup>nd</sup> strip is connected, one intermediate strip

To benefit from intermediate strips large SNR is required!

# Development of Silicon Detectors



# Development of Silicon Detectors: the beginning

## ■ J. Kemmer 1979

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### FABRICATION OF LOW NOISE SILICON RADIATION DETECTORS BY THE PLANAR PROCESS

J KEMMER

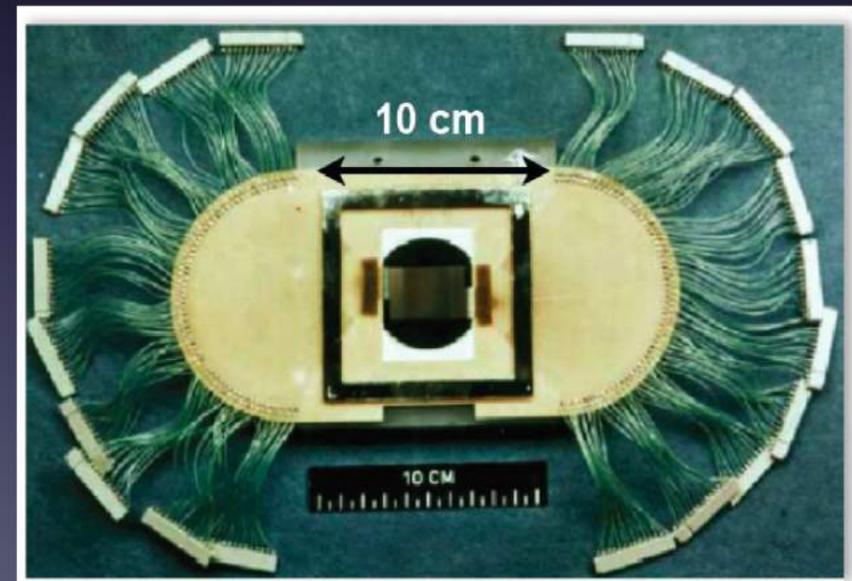
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*Dedicated to Prof Dr H-J Born on the occasion of his 70th birthday*

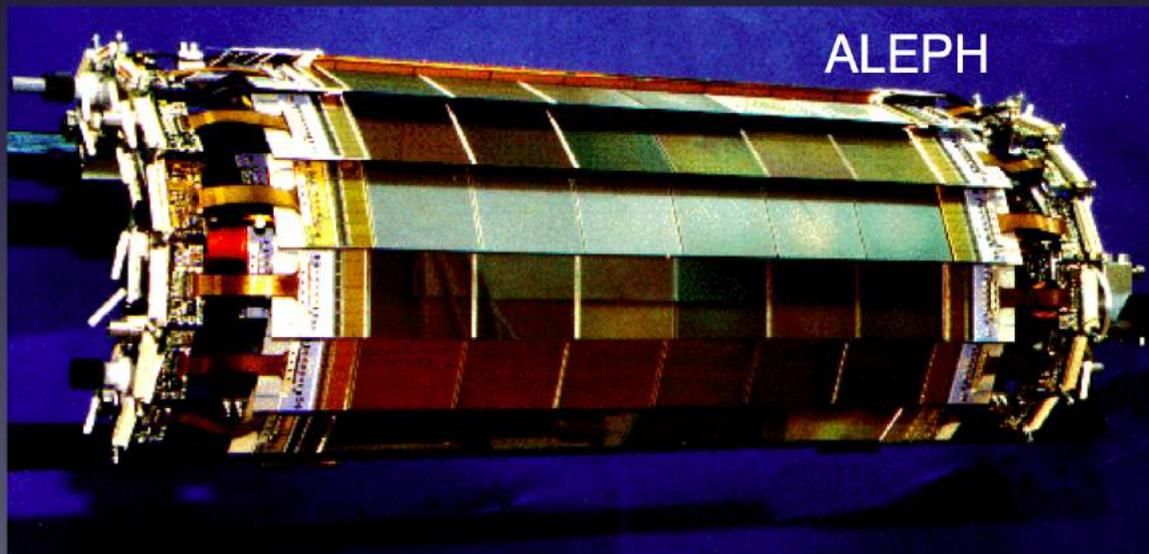
By applying the well known techniques of the planar process oxide passivation, photo engraving and ion implantation, Si pn-junction detectors were fabricated with leakage currents of less than  $1 \text{ nA cm}^{-2}/100 \mu\text{m}$  at room temperature. Best values for the energy resolution were 10.0 keV for the 5.486 MeV alphas of  $^{241}\text{Am}$  at 22°C using  $5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^2$  detector chips

- NA11 at CERN 1983
  - First use of a position-sensitive silicon detector in HEP experiment
  - Measurement of charm quark lifetimes
  - 1200 diode strips on  $24 \times 36 \text{ mm}^2$
  - 250-500  $\mu\text{m}$  thick bulk material
  - 4.5  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution



# Development of Silicon Detectors: LEP@CERN and SLC@SLAC

- **LEP and SLC 1990s**
  - Readout ASICs at end of ladders
  - Minimize mass inside tracking volume
  - Minimize mass between interaction point and detectors
  - Minimize the distance between interaction point and the detectors
- Enabled measurement of b-quark lifetimes and b-tagging



## ALEPH

- 2 silicon layers, 40cm long, inner radius 6.3cm, outer radius 11cm
- 300  $\mu\text{m}$  silicon wafers giving thickness of only  $0.015X_0$
- $S/N(r-\phi) = 28:1$
- $S/N(z) = 17:1$
- $r-\phi = 12 \mu\text{m}; z = 14 \mu\text{m}$

# Development of Silicon Detectors: Tevatron@FNAL

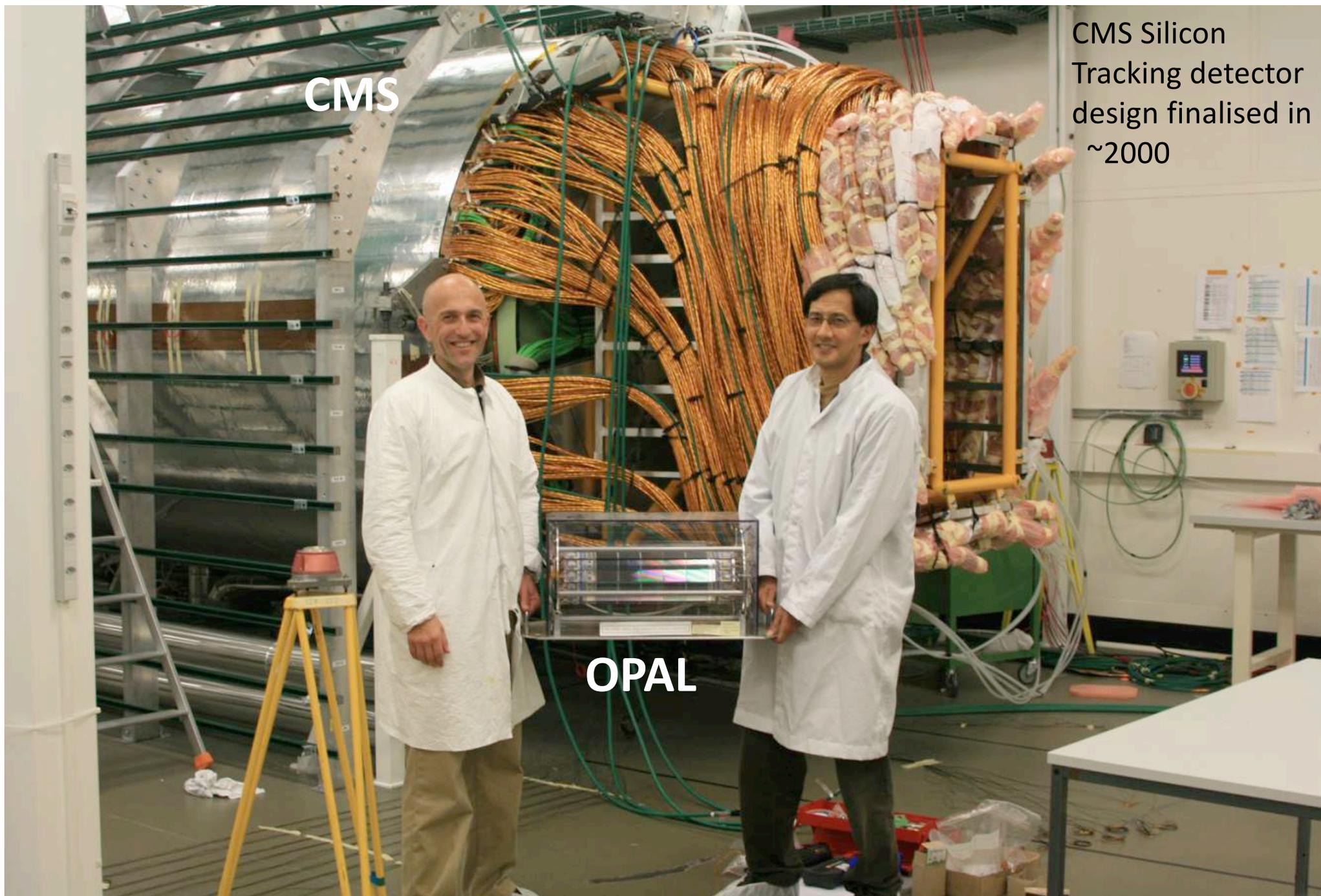
From 1990s

- CDF pioneered the silicon vertex detector in the hadron collider environment and pioneered the silicon vertex trigger separating *b*-hadrons
- Emphasis shifted to tracking and vertexing allowing precision measurements in very complex environment
- Cover large area with many silicon layers
- Detector modules including ASIC's and services INSIDE the tracking volume

CDF's first Silicon Vertex Detector at the Smithsonian Museum, Washington



# Development of Silicon Detectors: from LEP to LHC



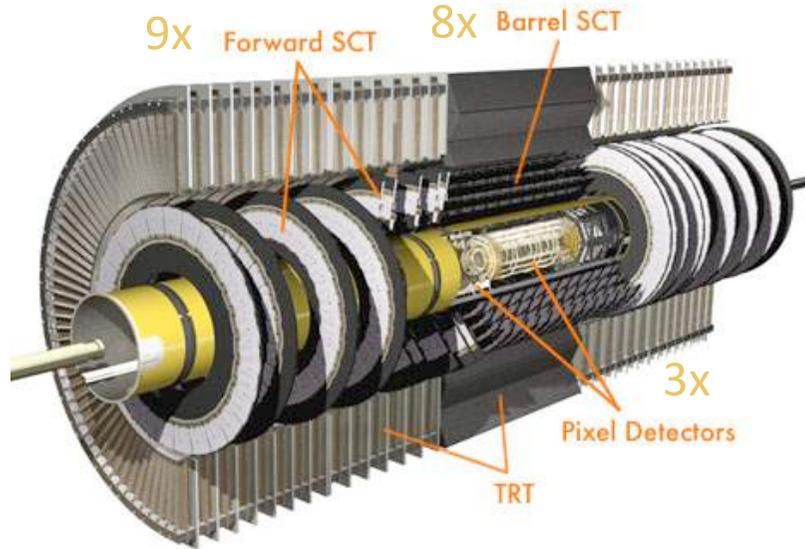
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CMS Silicon  
Tracking detector  
design finalised in  
~2000

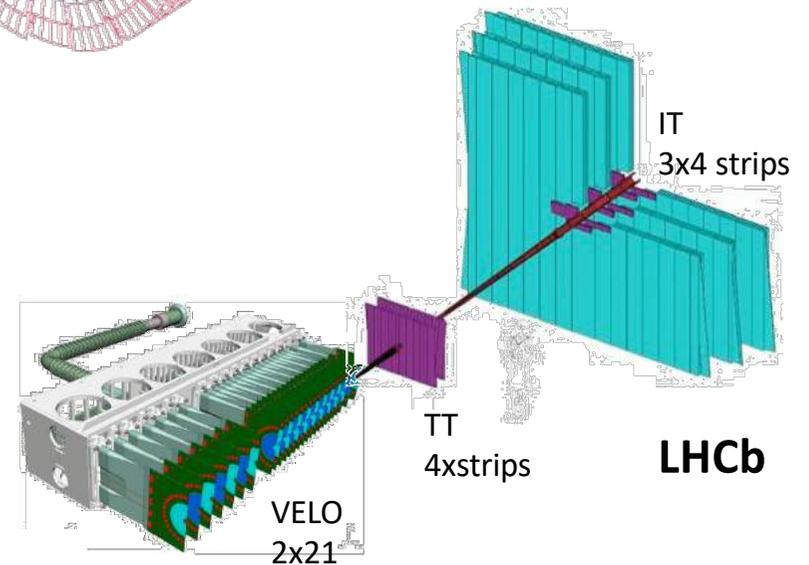
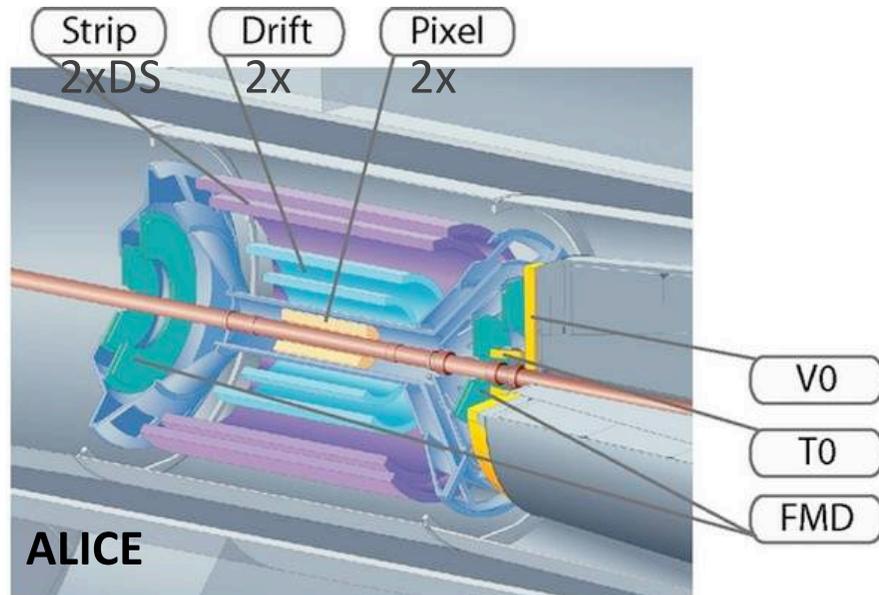
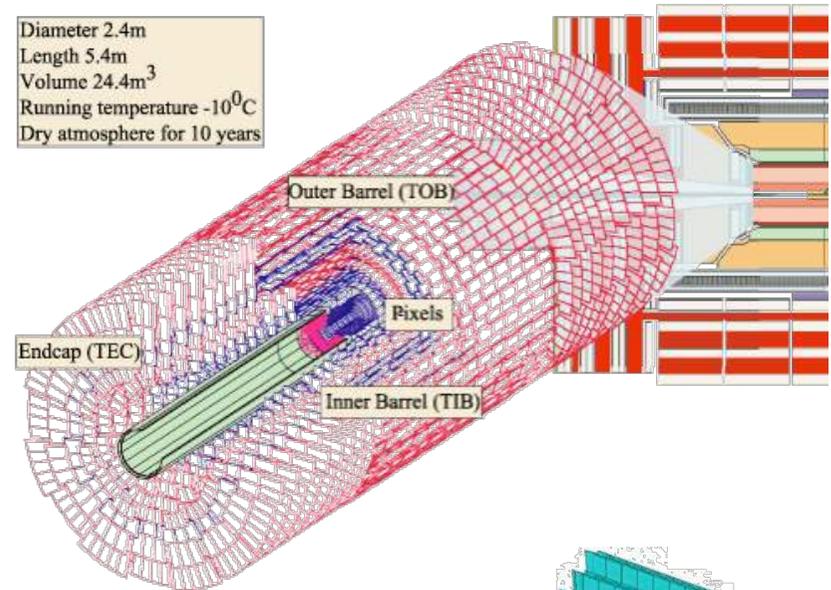
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# Development of Silicon Detectors: LHC

**ATLAS:** 61 m<sup>2</sup> Si strips, 6M channels  
80M pixel channels



**CMS** 205 m<sup>2</sup> Si strips, 9.3M channels  
1 m<sup>2</sup> Si pixels, 66M channels



# LHCb experiment

- Study of matter – anti-matter asymmetry
  - Big bang created same amount of matter and anti-matter
  - Why matter dominates in the universe? Where did the anti-matter go?
- Small differences in the properties of matter and anti-matter (e.g. different decay probabilities) could explain
- Study the decay of hadrons containing b-quark or anti-b-quarks

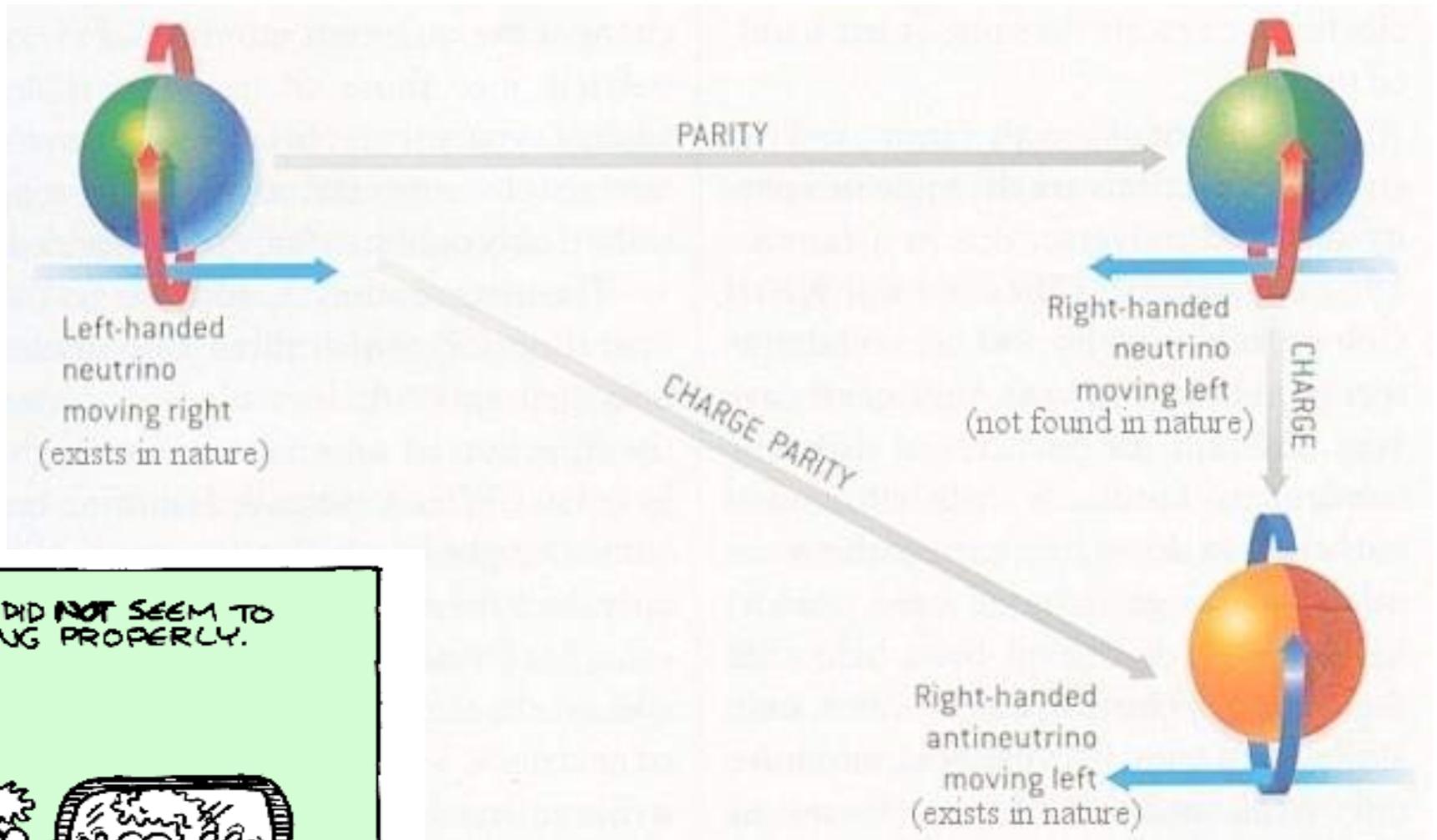


## **b (beauty, bottom) quark**

- 1973 Kobayashi and Maskawa: suggest b quark to explain CP violation (2008 Nobel Prize)
- 1977 Lederman et al. (E288 experiment)
- $Q = -1/3$
- High mass:  $m = 4.2 \text{ GeV} / c^2$
- Decays via weak interaction (small CKM  $V_{ub}$ ,  $V_{cb}$  values)
- Lifetime:  $10^{-12} \text{ s}$
- b-tagging (secondary vertex)

CP violation: charge conjugation \* parity (reflection in space) not a conserved quantum number (symmetry) in the weak interaction → matter – anti-matter asymmetry

# Detour: discovery of parity and CP violation



$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p},$$

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{L}) = (-\mathbf{r}) \times (-\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{L}.$$

# CKM matrix

- W boson coupling to left-handed quarks:

$$\frac{-g}{\sqrt{2}}(\overline{u}_L, \overline{c}_L, \overline{t}_L)\gamma^\mu W_\mu^+ V_{\text{CKM}} \begin{pmatrix} d_L \\ s_L \\ b_L \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.}$$

- CKM (Cabibbo – Kobayashi – Maskawa) matrix

$$V_{\text{CKM}} \equiv V_L^u V_L^{d\dagger} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Unitary
- Can be parametrised with 3 mixing angles ( $\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23} : 0 - \pi/2$ ) and a CP-violating phase ( $\delta$ ):

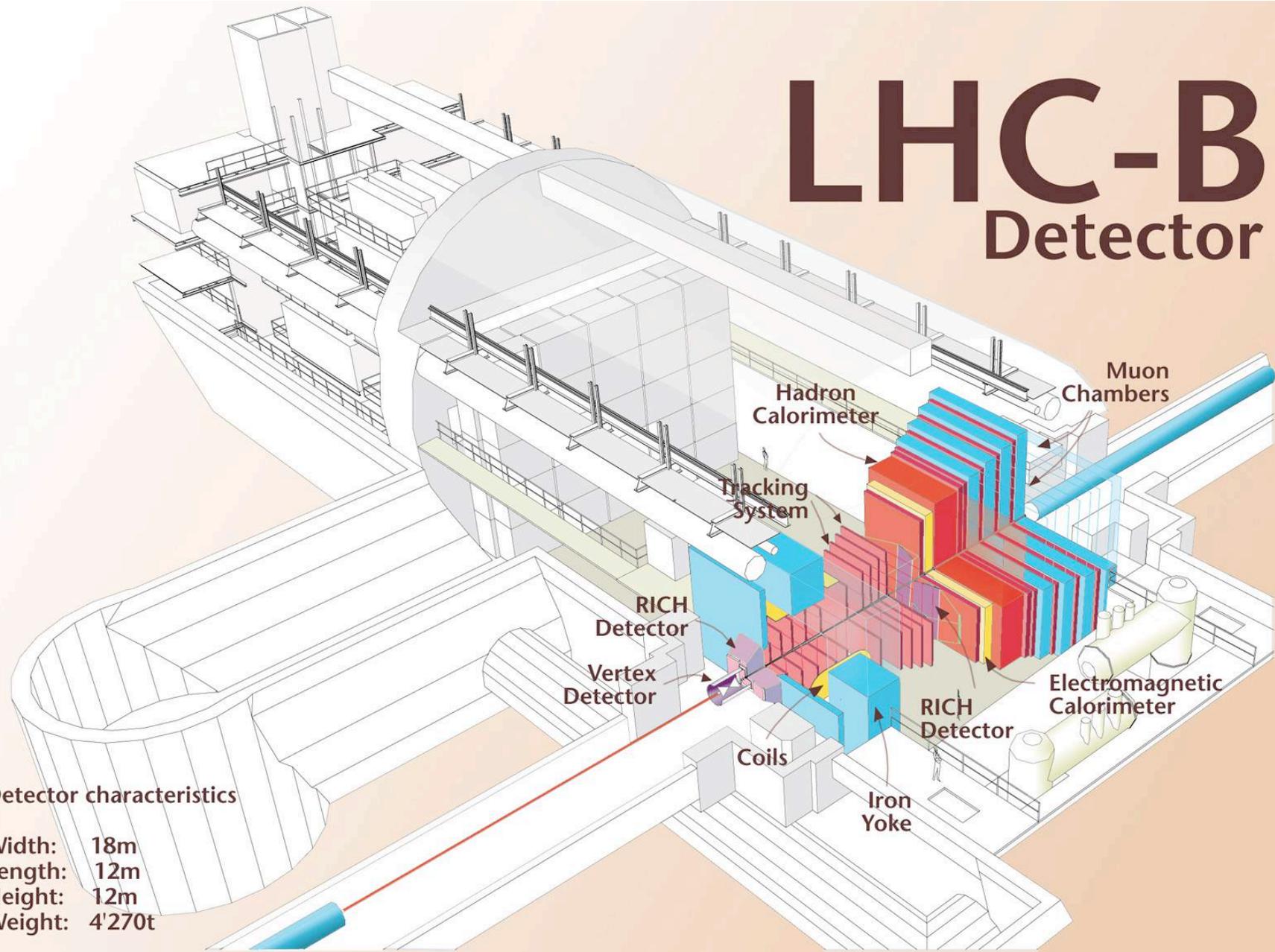
$$V_{\text{CKM}} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ -s_{12}c_{23} - c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & -c_{12}s_{23} - s_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}, \quad c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$$

- $\delta$  responsible for all CP-violating phenomena in the SM

# Back to LHCb

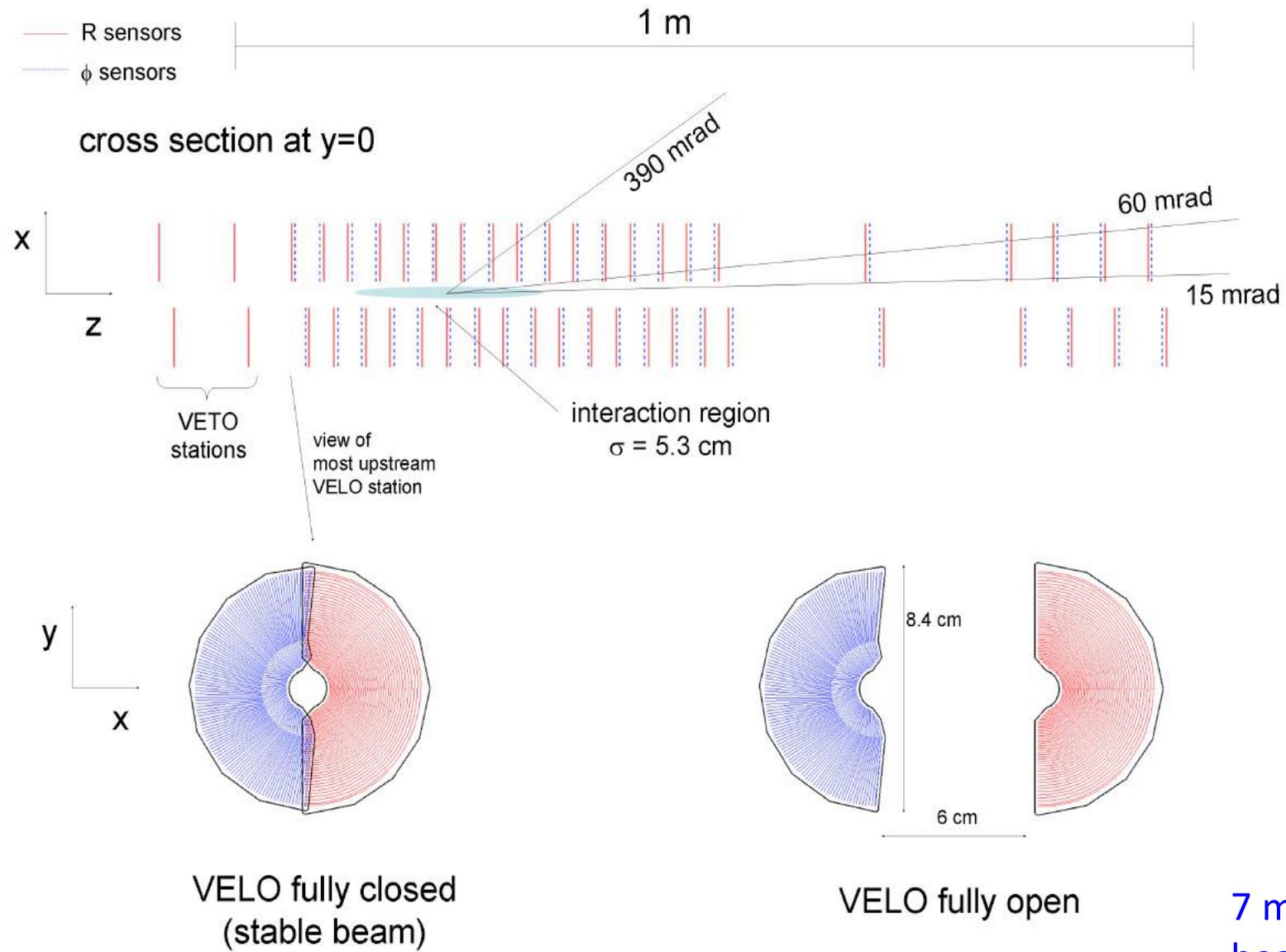
## LHC-B Detector



### Detector characteristics

Width: 18m  
Length: 12m  
Height: 12m  
Weight: 4'270t

# LHCb VELO vertex detector

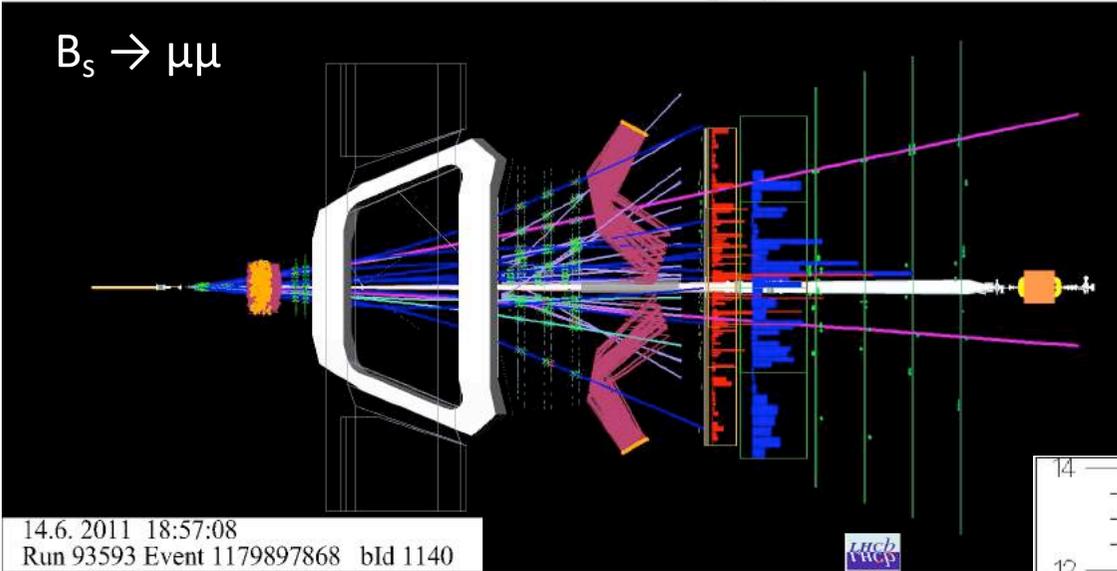


7 mm from beam line when closed

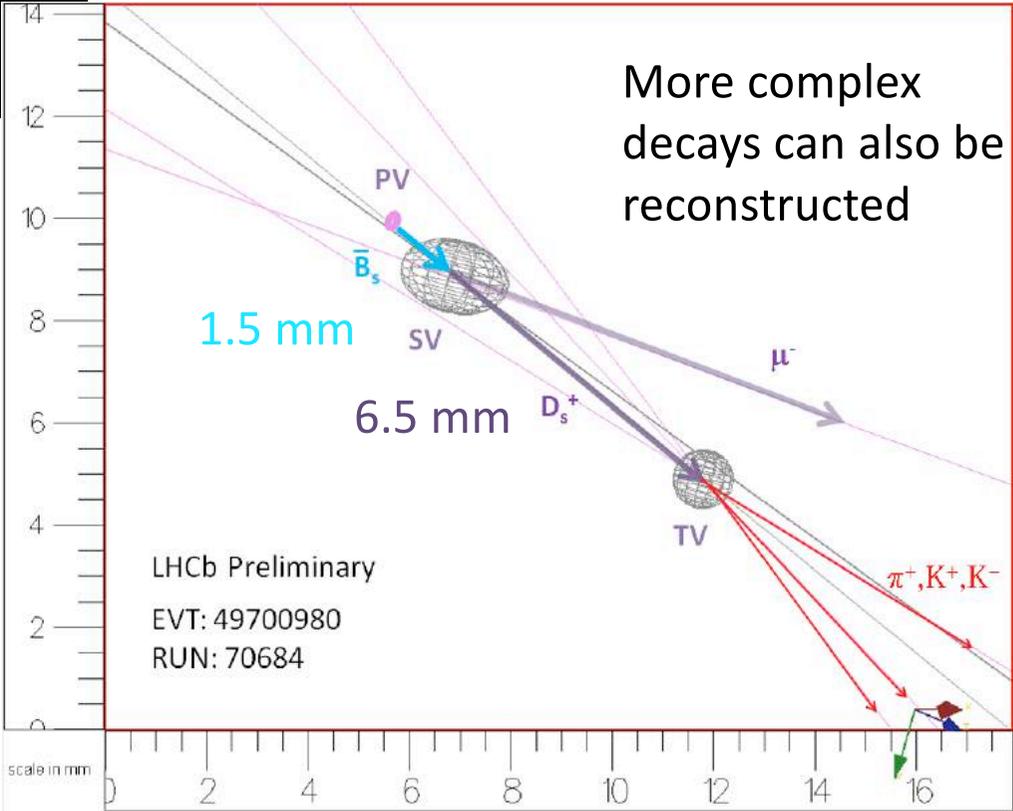
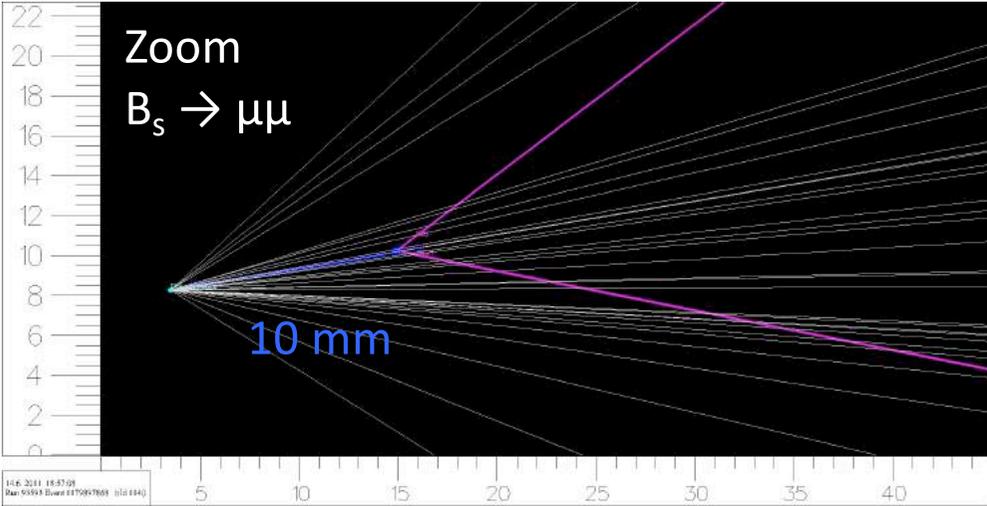
Collider experiment with levelled-luminosity

# Secondary vertices

LHCb Event Display

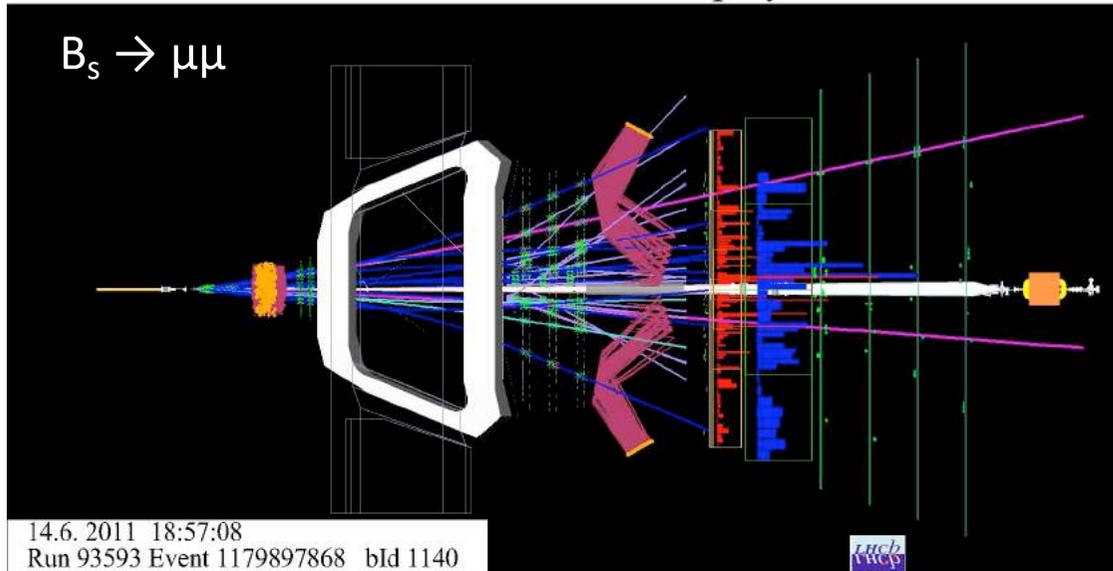


- B hadron lifetime  $\sim 10^{-12}$  s
- Decay length =  $\beta\gamma c\tau$   
 $\sim p/m \cdot 300 \mu\text{m}$
- First detector layer a few cm from collision point

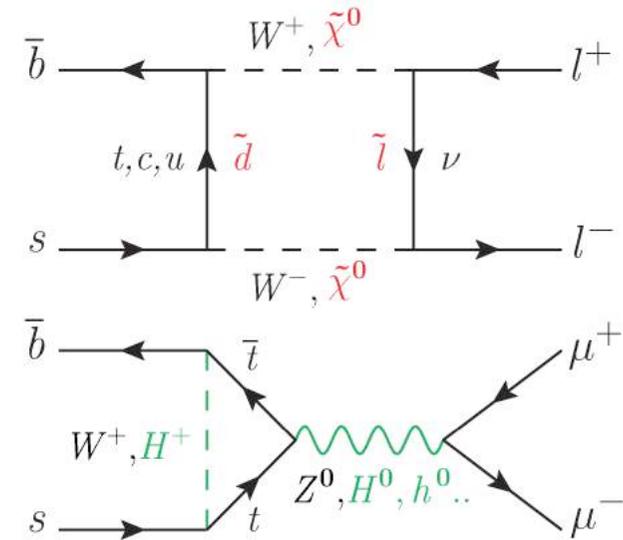


# Why interested in $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ?

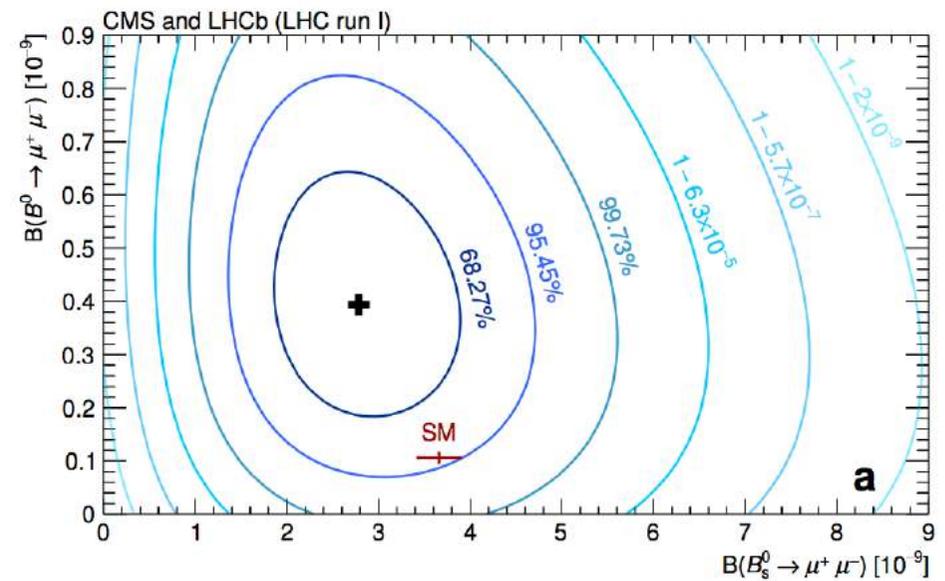
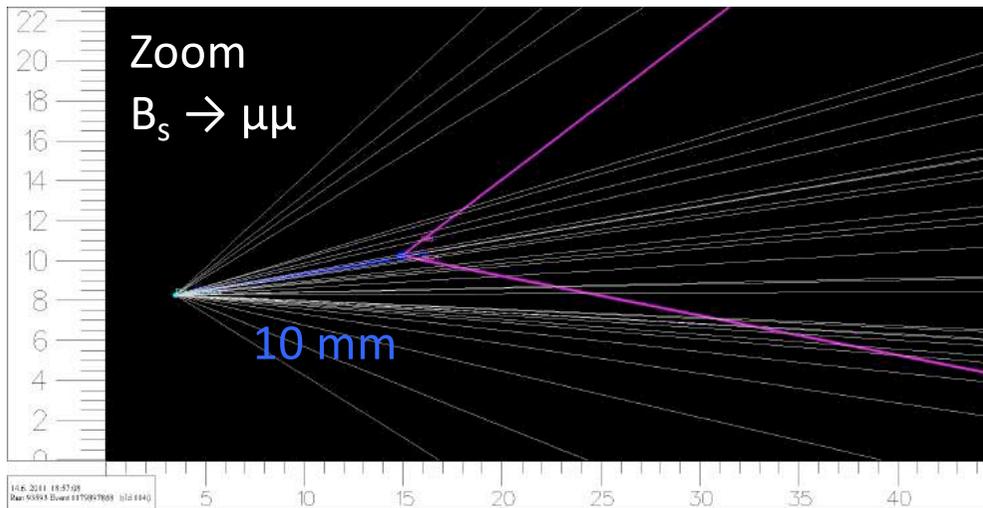
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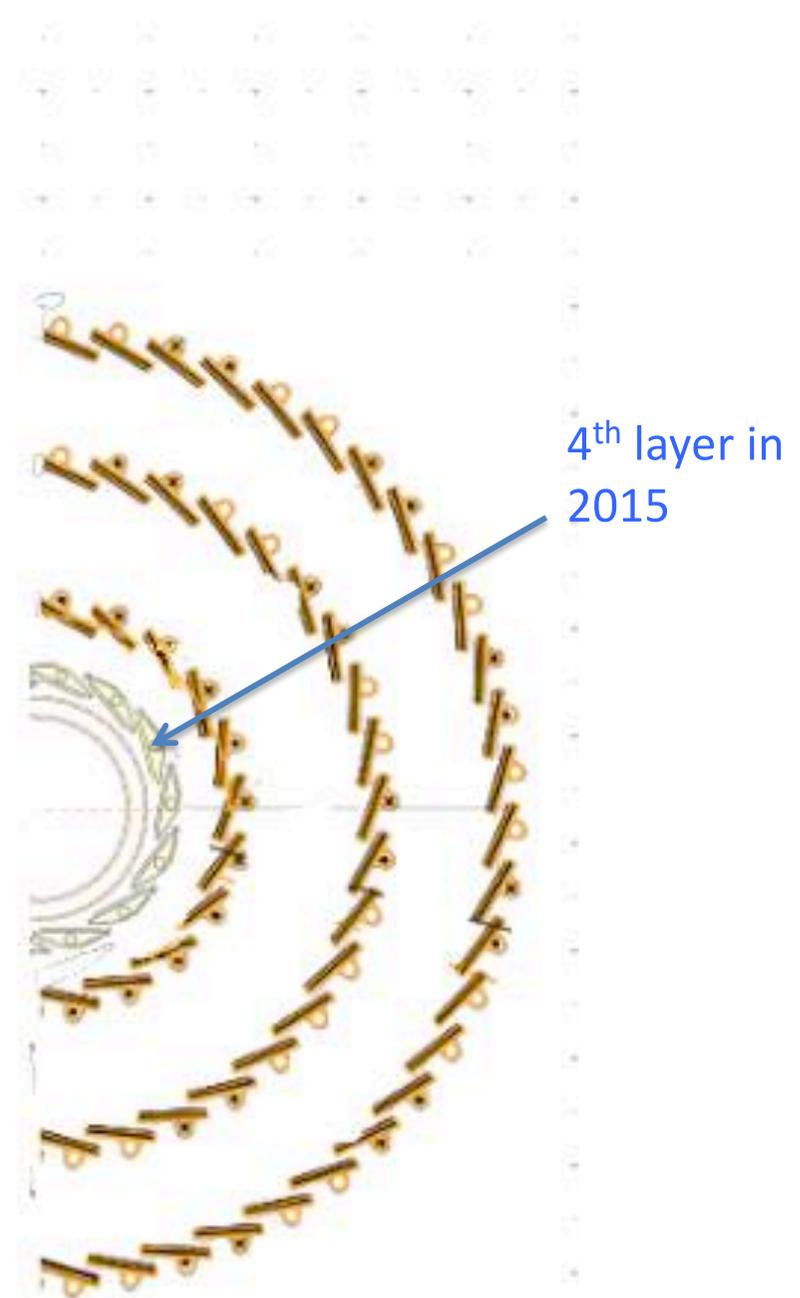
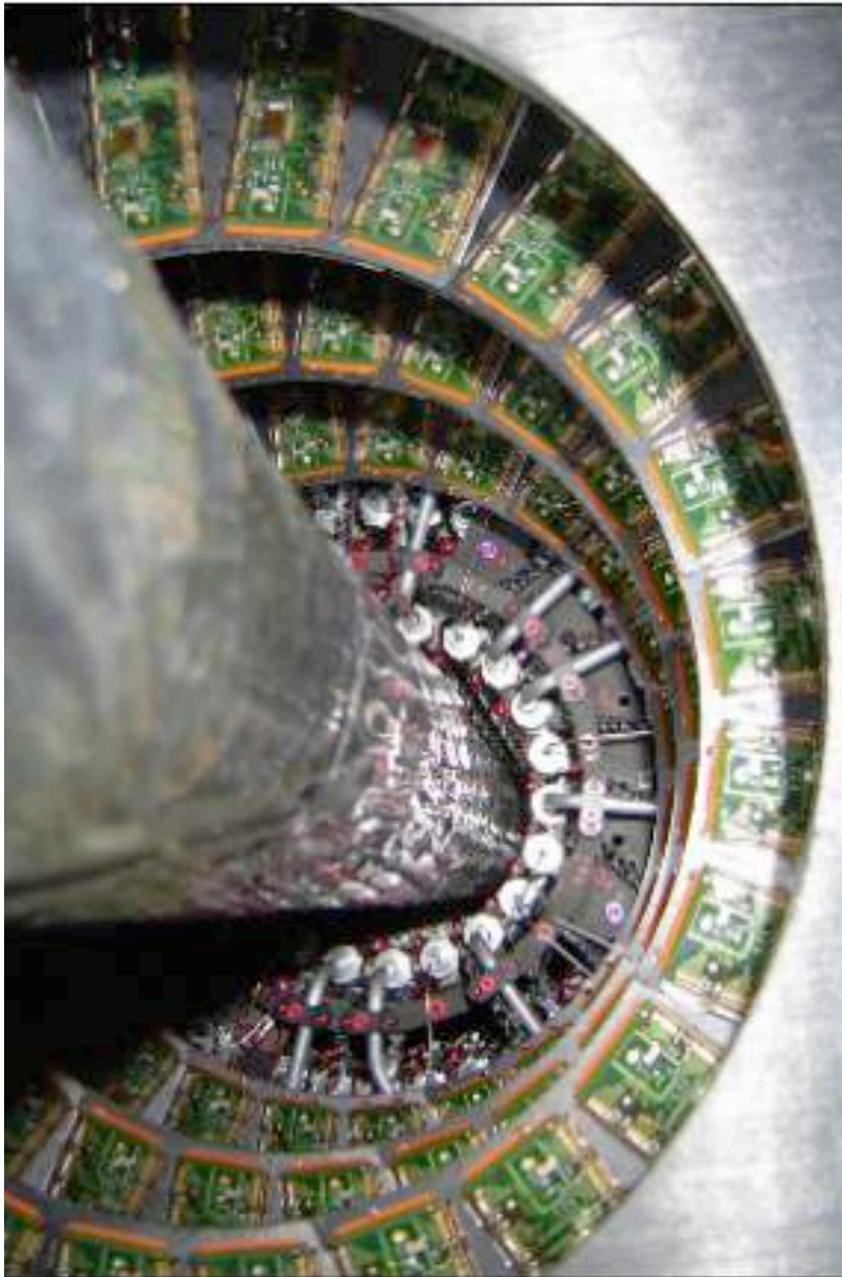
- Possible contribution from New Physics



- Discovery or limit on new models

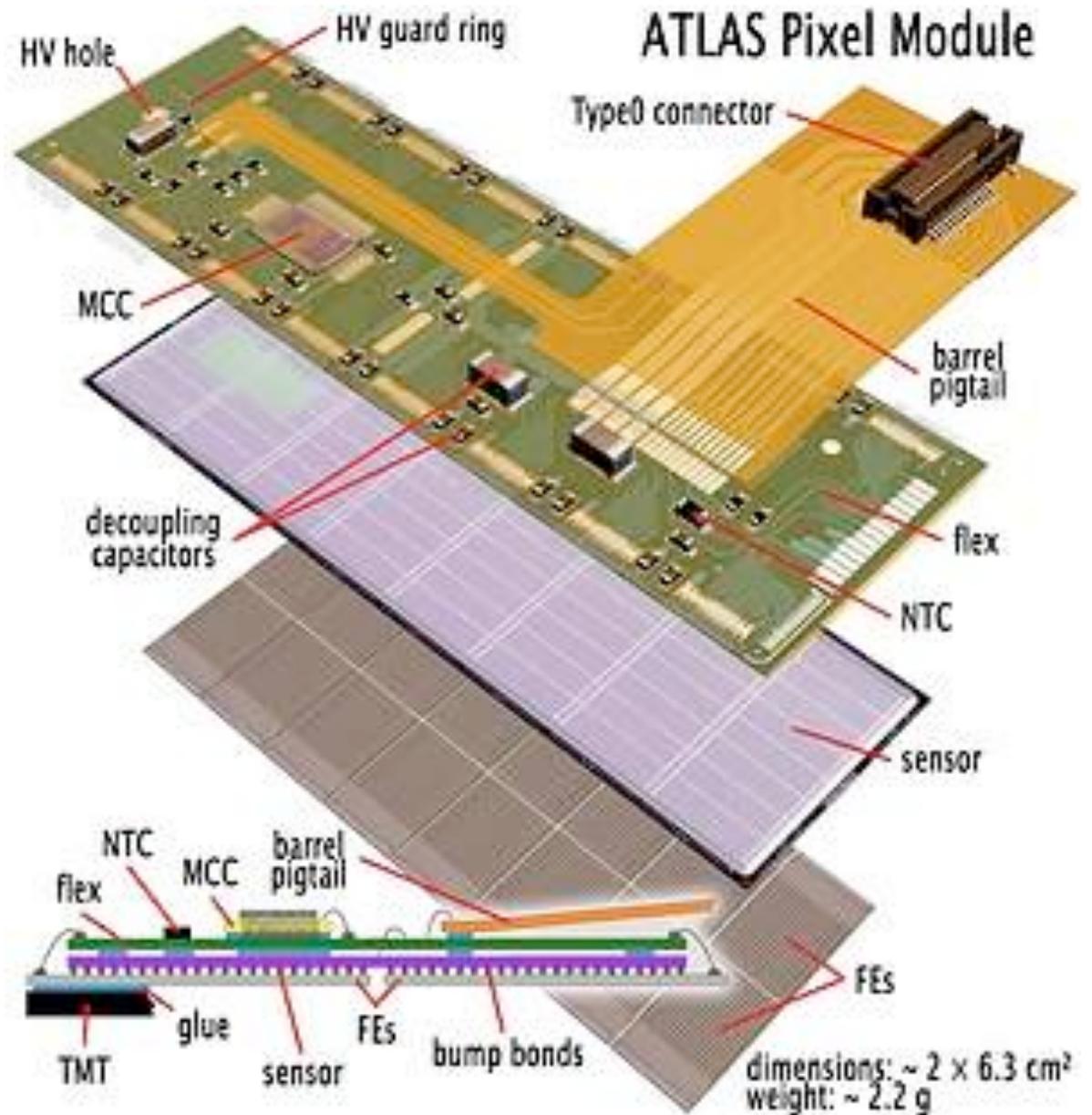


# ATLAS Pixel detektor

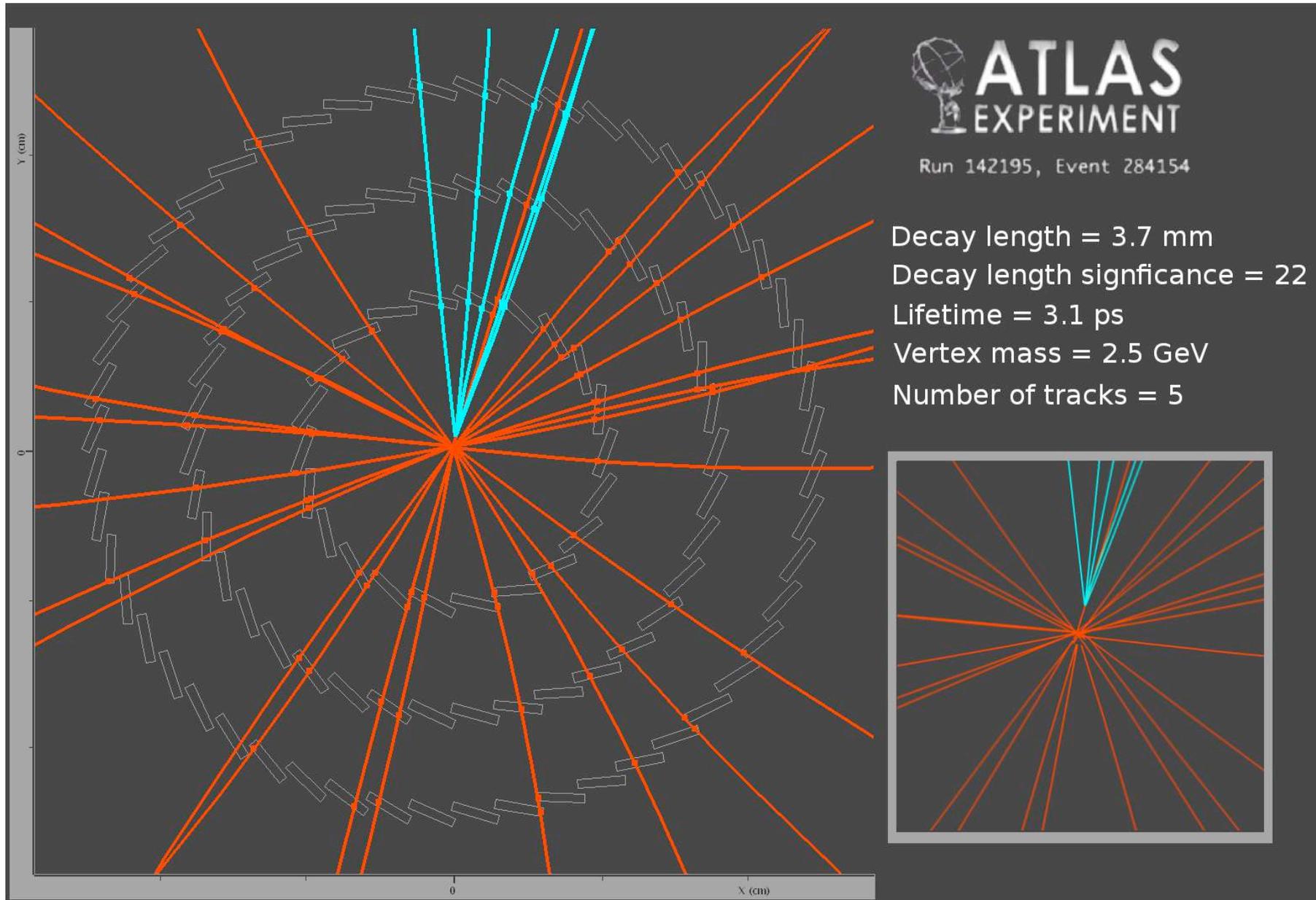


# ATLAS Pixel detector

- Module size: 16.4mm × 60.4mm
- Weight: 2.2 g
- 1744 module
- Each module:
  - 47000 pixels
  - 16 "front-end" chips
    - 2880 channels / chips
    - Signal gain
    - Digitized on positive trigger signal
    - Sends a signal to the MCC
  - Module control chip (MCC)
    - Serialization
    - Sends signal to the DAQ system
    - Generates control signals for front-end chips
  - High-density circuit (flex)
  - Pigtail and connector
    - Power supply
    - I / O

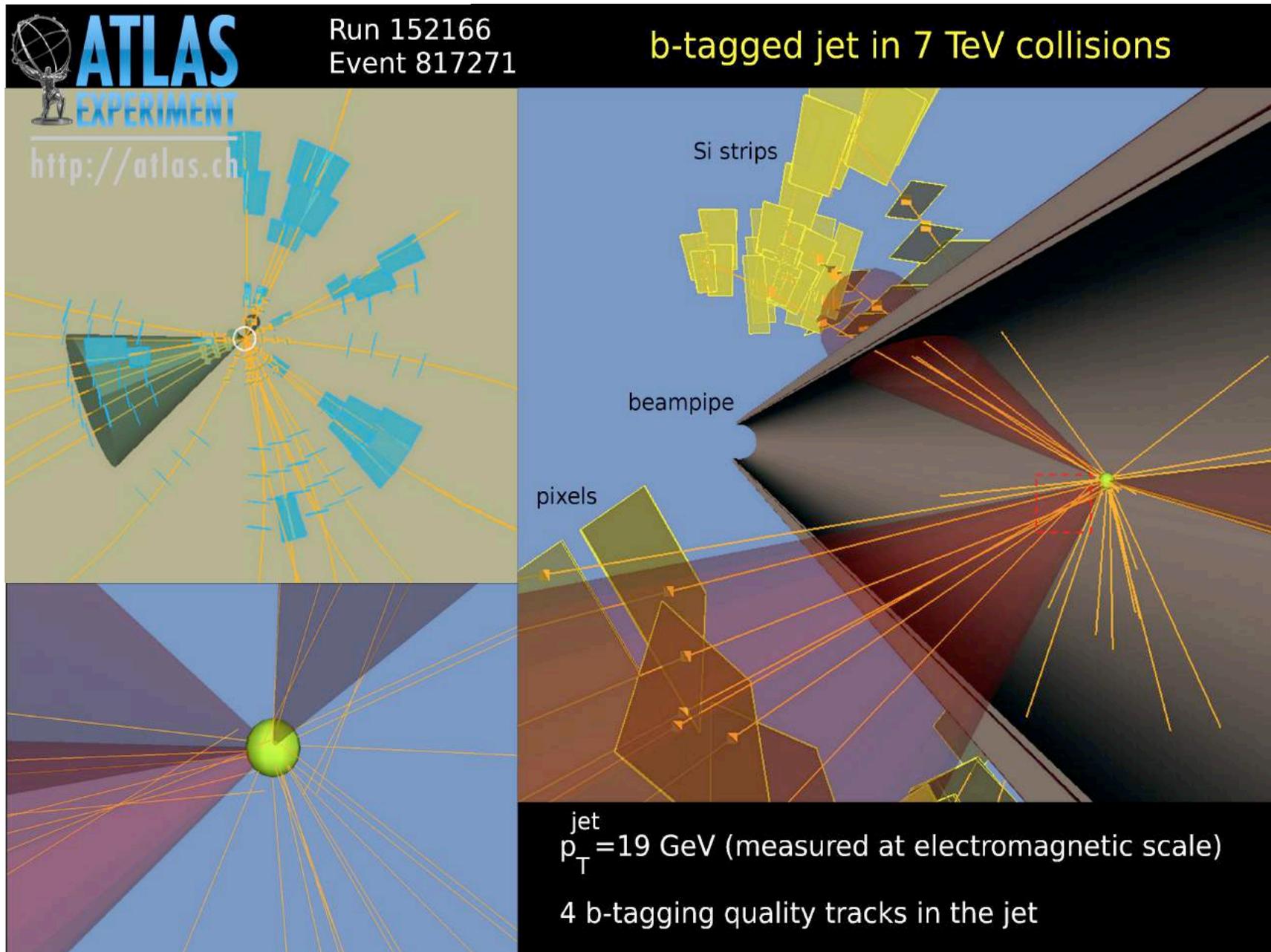


# b-jet tagging

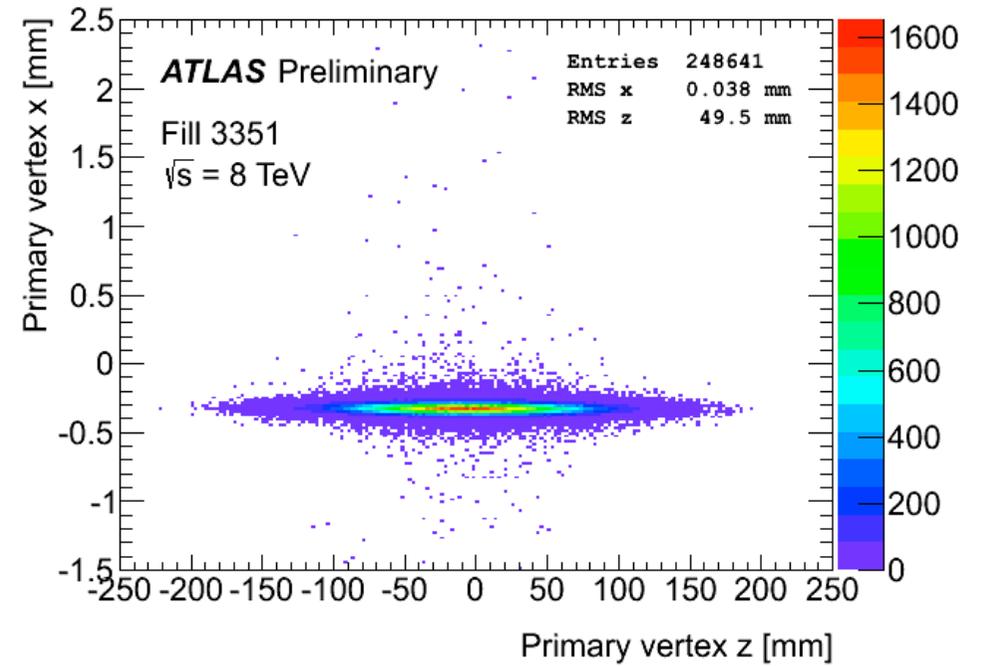
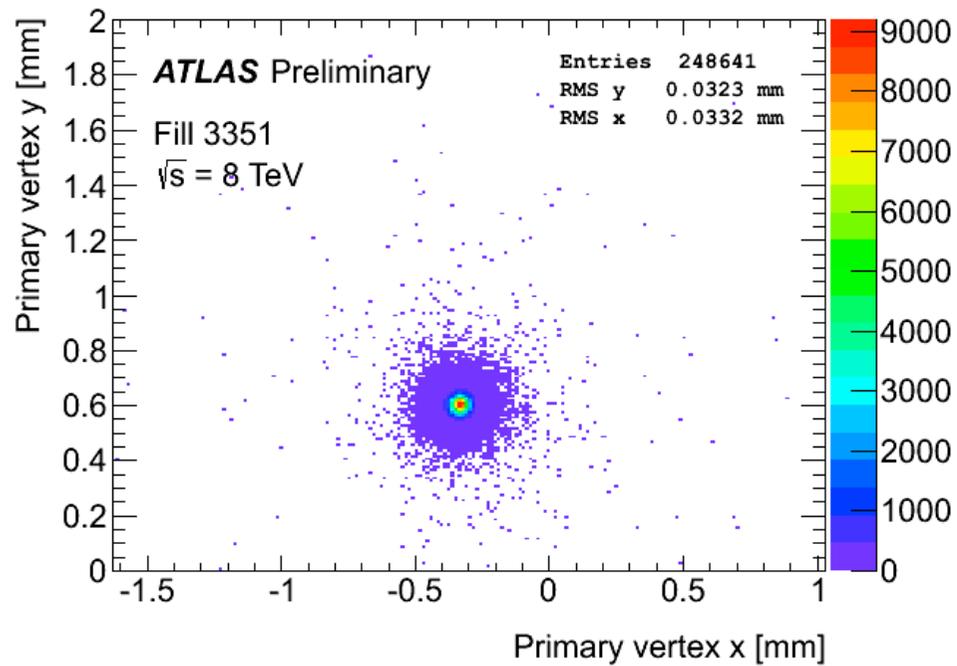
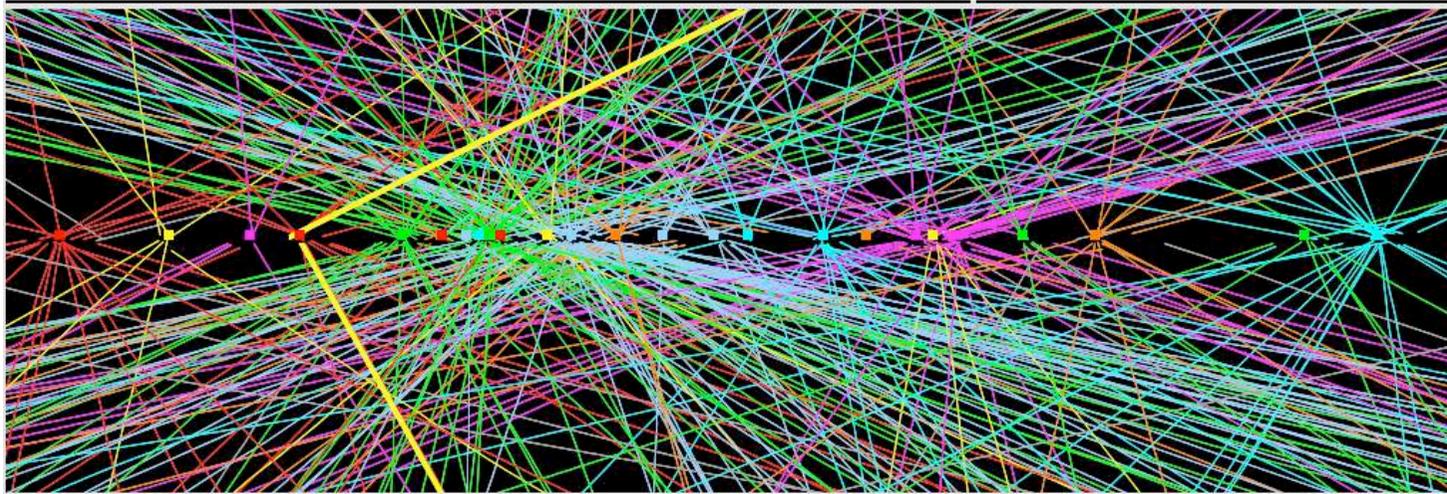


Event display of a b-jet candidate event. Only tracks in the barrel region with  $p_T > 500$  MeV are displayed. The detector elements shown are the three barrel layers of the Pixel detector.

# b-jet tagging



# LHC beam spot size



# Semi-conductor or gaseous ionisation detector?

Ionization chambers can be made with any medium that allows charge collection to a pair of electrodes

The medium can be: Gas, Liquid, **Solid**

	gas	liquid	solid
<b>density</b>	low	moderate	high
<b>atomic number Z</b>	low	moderate	moderate
<b>ionization energy <math>\epsilon_i</math></b>	moderate	moderate	low
<b>signal speed</b>	moderate	moderate	fast

Desirable properties:

Low ionization energy

Gas  $\sim 30$  eV

Solid  $\sim 3-4$  eV

—————→ Increased charge yield  $dq/dE$

Superior resolution

$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{E/\epsilon_i}} \sim \sqrt{\epsilon_i}$$

High field in detection volume ———→

Fast response

Gas  $\sim 10$  ns –  $10$   $\mu$ s

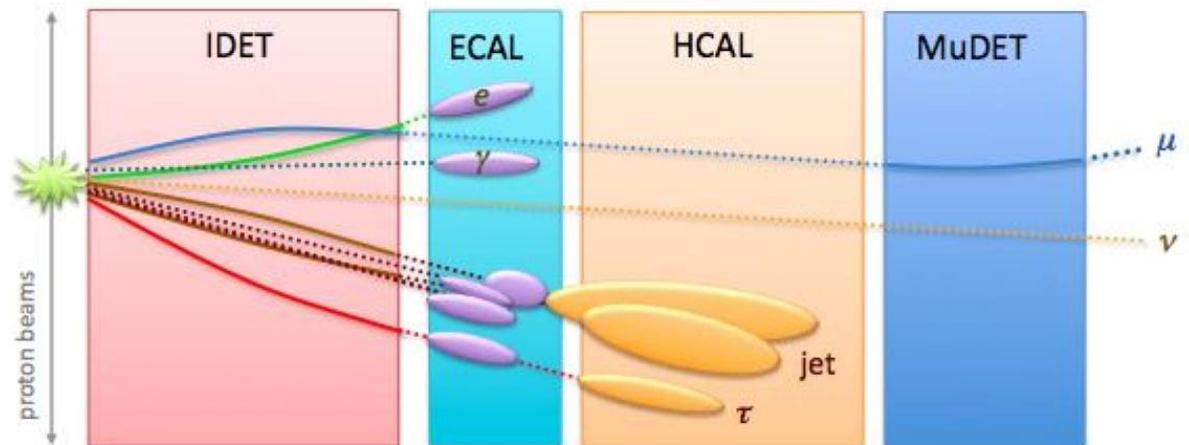
Solid  $< 20$  ns

Improved charge collection efficiency



# Event reconstruction

- Calibration (e.g. energy calibration of calorimeters)
- Determination of detector element positioning (alignment)
- Reconstruction of data from individual detectors
  - Track finding
    - Finding the path of charged particles in the detector
  - Calorimeter cluster finding
    - Finding energy deposits by charged and neutral particles
- Combined reconstruction
  - Electron / photon identification
  - Muon identification
  - Tau identification
  - Jet reconstruction
  - Missing energy



# Beyond the Standard Model

Standard Model complete with Higgs boson and describes well collider experiments  
 A number of open questions point beyond it and need a more fundamental theory

Higgs mass stabilisation?  
(Hierarchy problem)

Neutrino masses?

Matter – antimatter asymmetry?

Coupling unification?

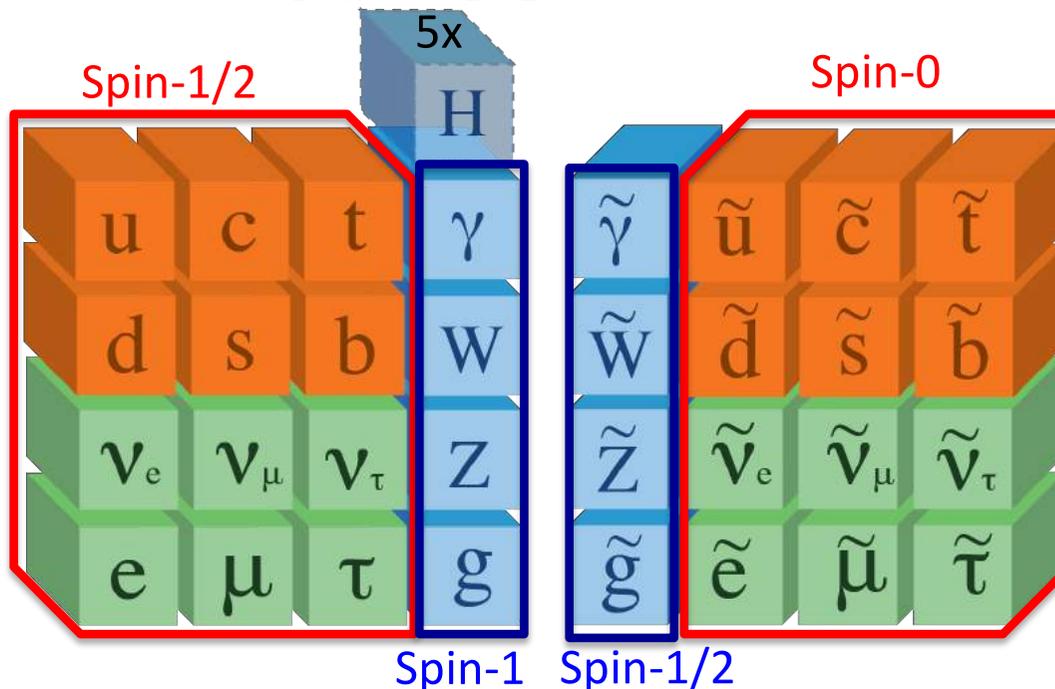
Gravity + gauge interactions

Dark matter?  
Dark energy?

Component	Percentage
Dark Energy	68.3%
Dark Matter	26.8%
Ordinary Matter	4.9%

# Supersymmetry (SUSY)

- Most general symmetry of space-time
- Symmetry between the constituent (fermionic) and the mediator (bosonic) particles
- Predicts a new, heavy partner for each particle: Particle  $\leftrightarrow$  partner, anti-particle  $\leftrightarrow$  anti-partner,  $X_L, X_R \leftrightarrow X_1, X_2$

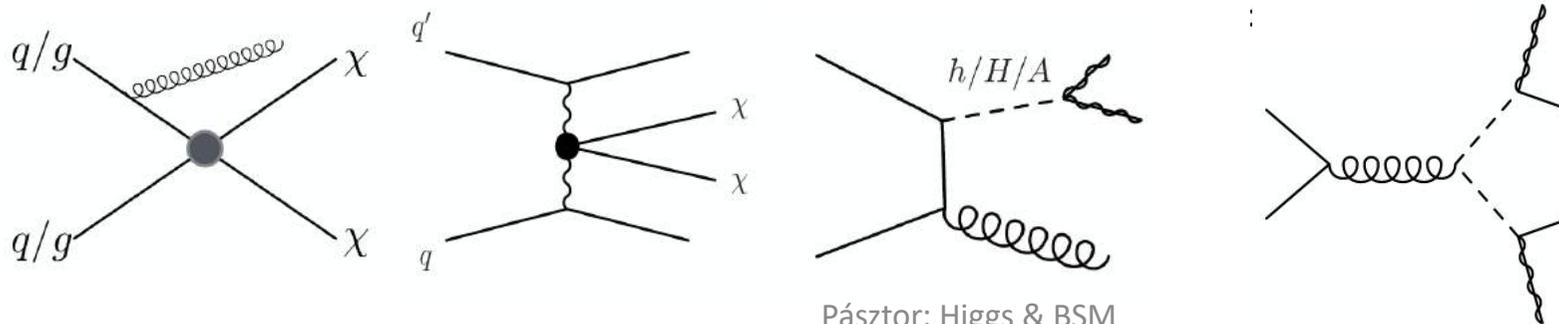
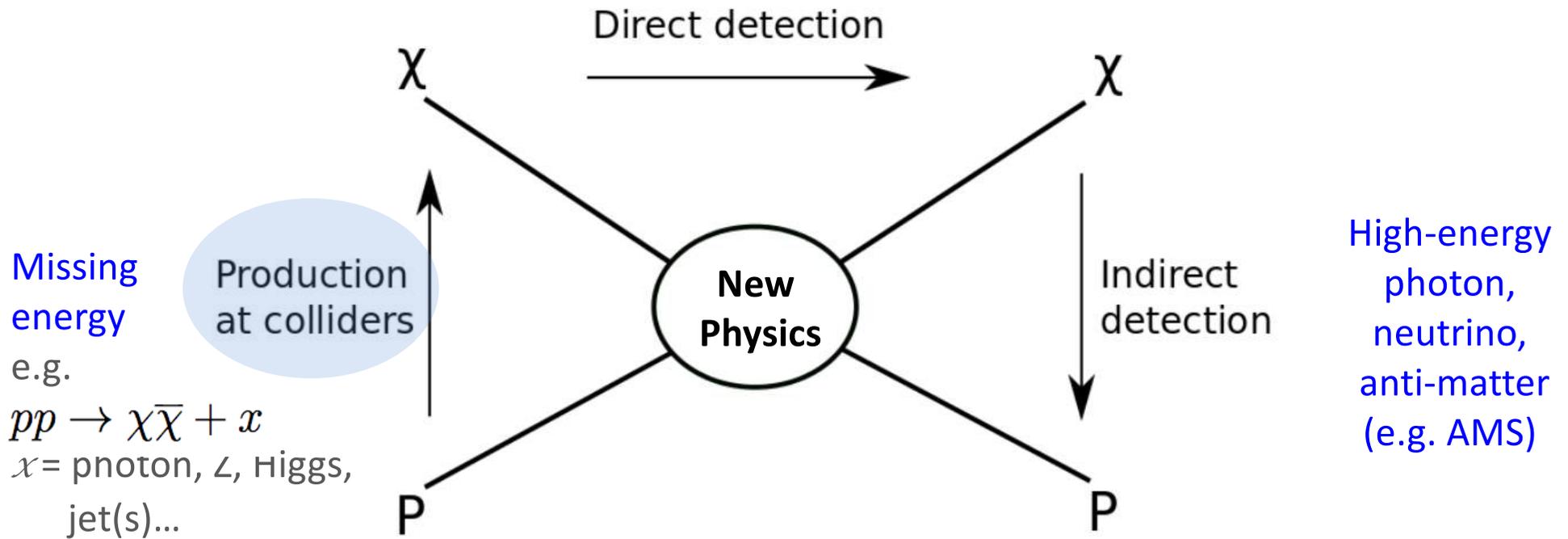


- The lightest supersymmetric particle, if electrically neutral, is a good dark matter candidate
- The coupling constant of EM, weak and strong interactions meet with good precision at high energy ( $\sim 10^{16}$  GeV) in the presence of SUSY, thanks to the contribution of many new particle
- SUSY can protect the Higgs mass from vacuum fluctuations up to Planck scale

# How to search for dark matter?

Nuclear recoil

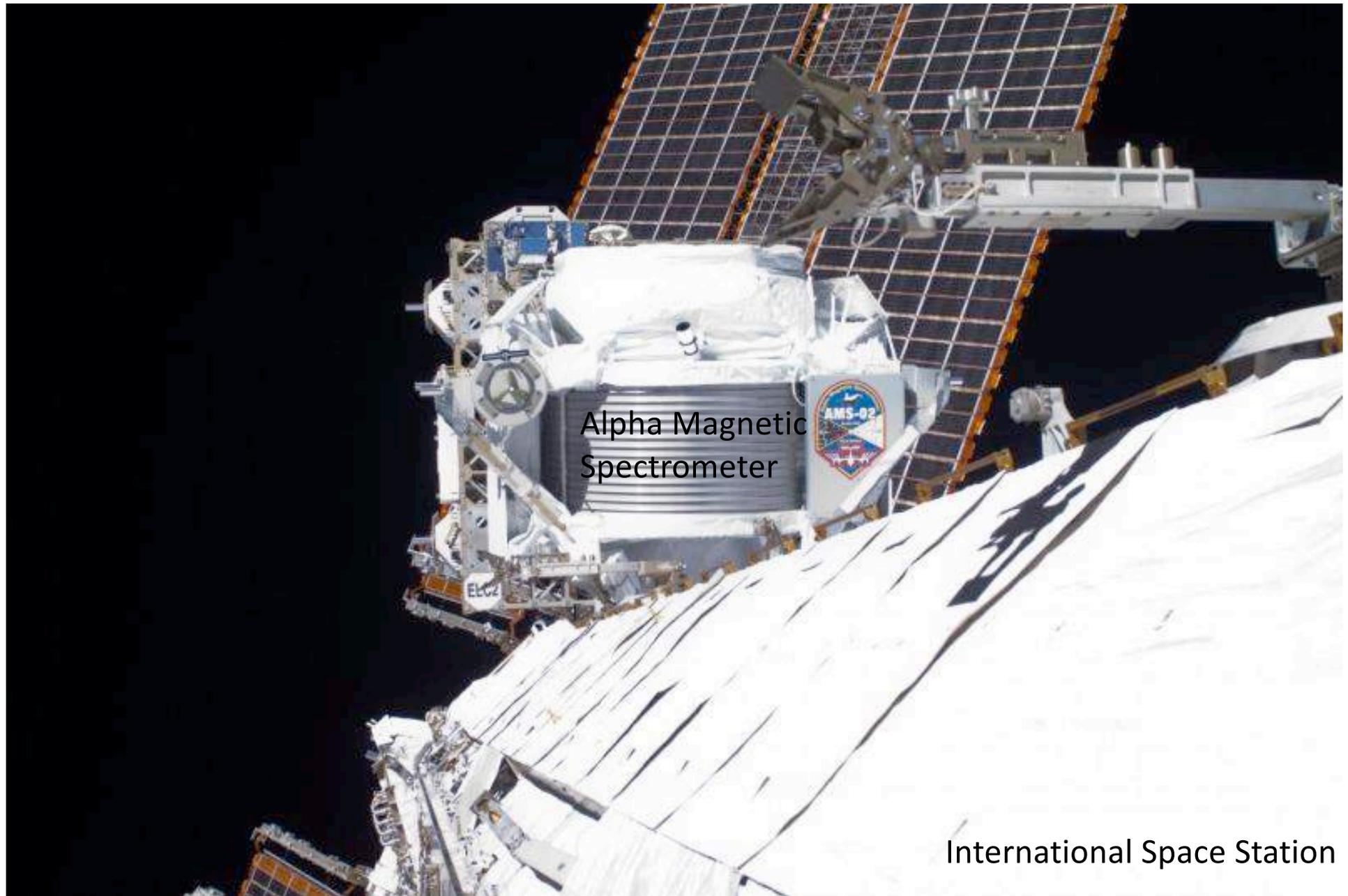
Measurement with ionization, scintillation,... detectors  
(pl. DAMA, CDMS,...)



# AMS on the helmet of an astronaut



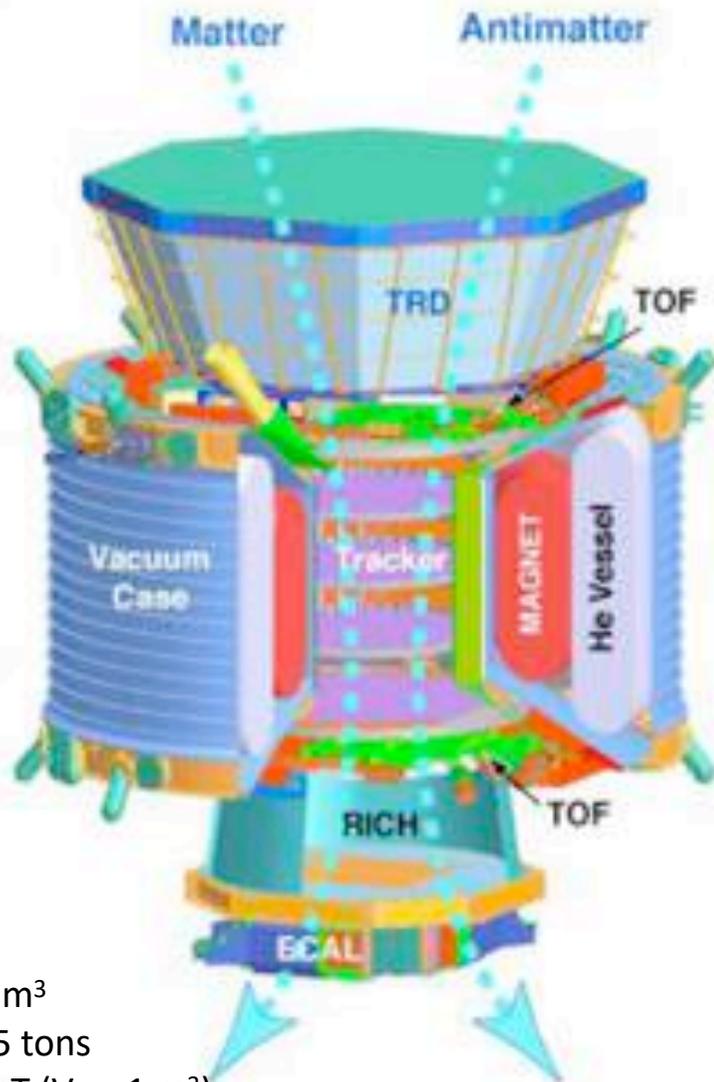
# AMS on the ISS



# Az AMS experiment

## AMS: A TeV Magnetic Spectrometer in Space

2 star tracker + GPS system:  
precise position measurement



Data Signature of Various Particles in Each Detector

0.3 TeV	$e^-$	P	Fe	$e^+$	$\bar{P}$	$\bar{He}$
TRD						
TOF						
Tracker + Magnet						
RICH						
ECAL						
Physics example	Cosmic Ray Physics Strangelets			Dark matter		Antimatter

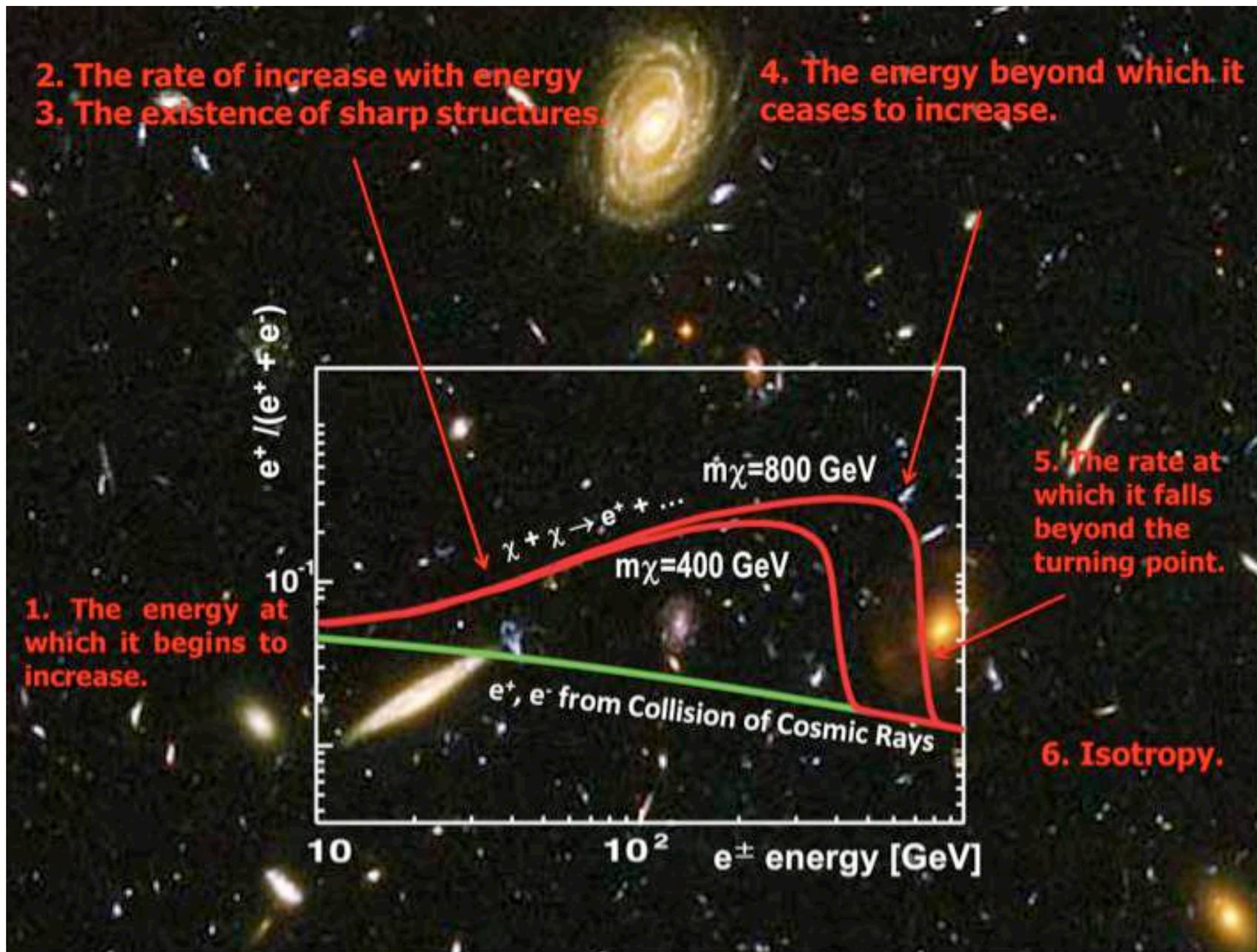
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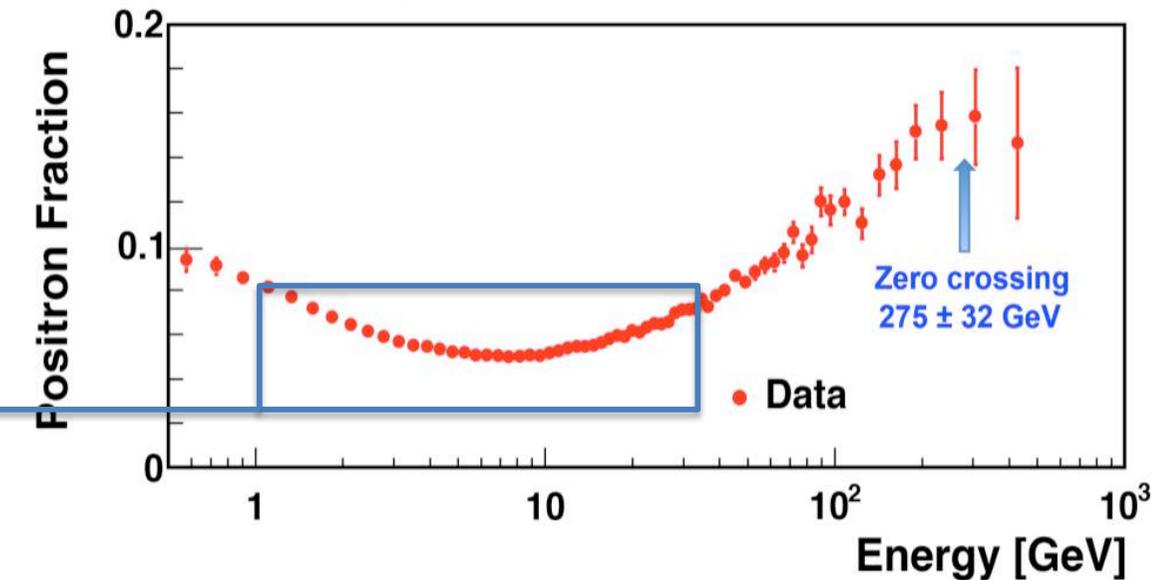
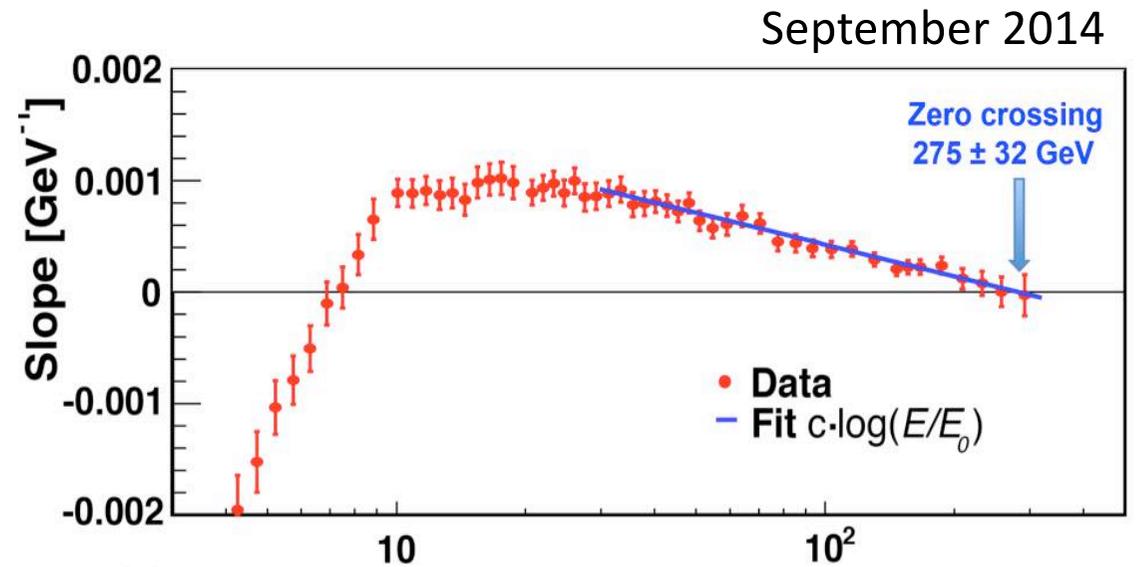
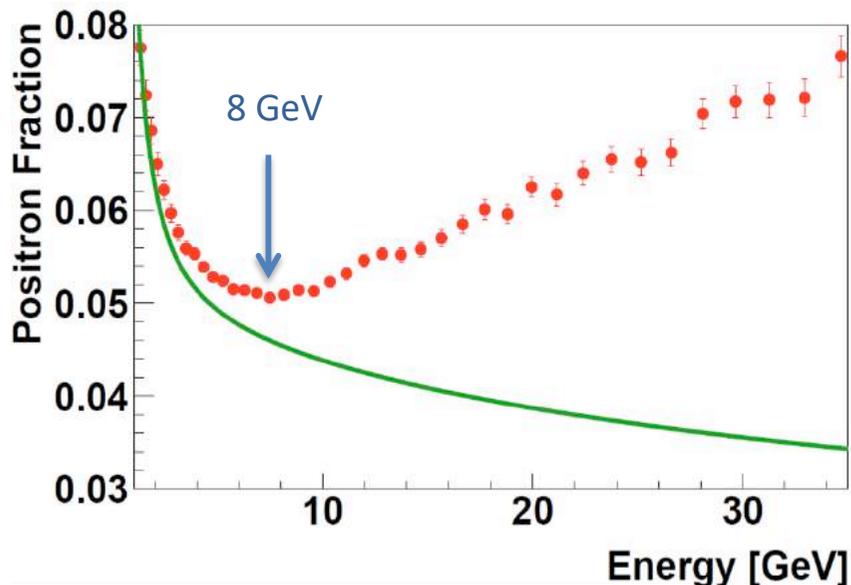
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# AMS dark matter search

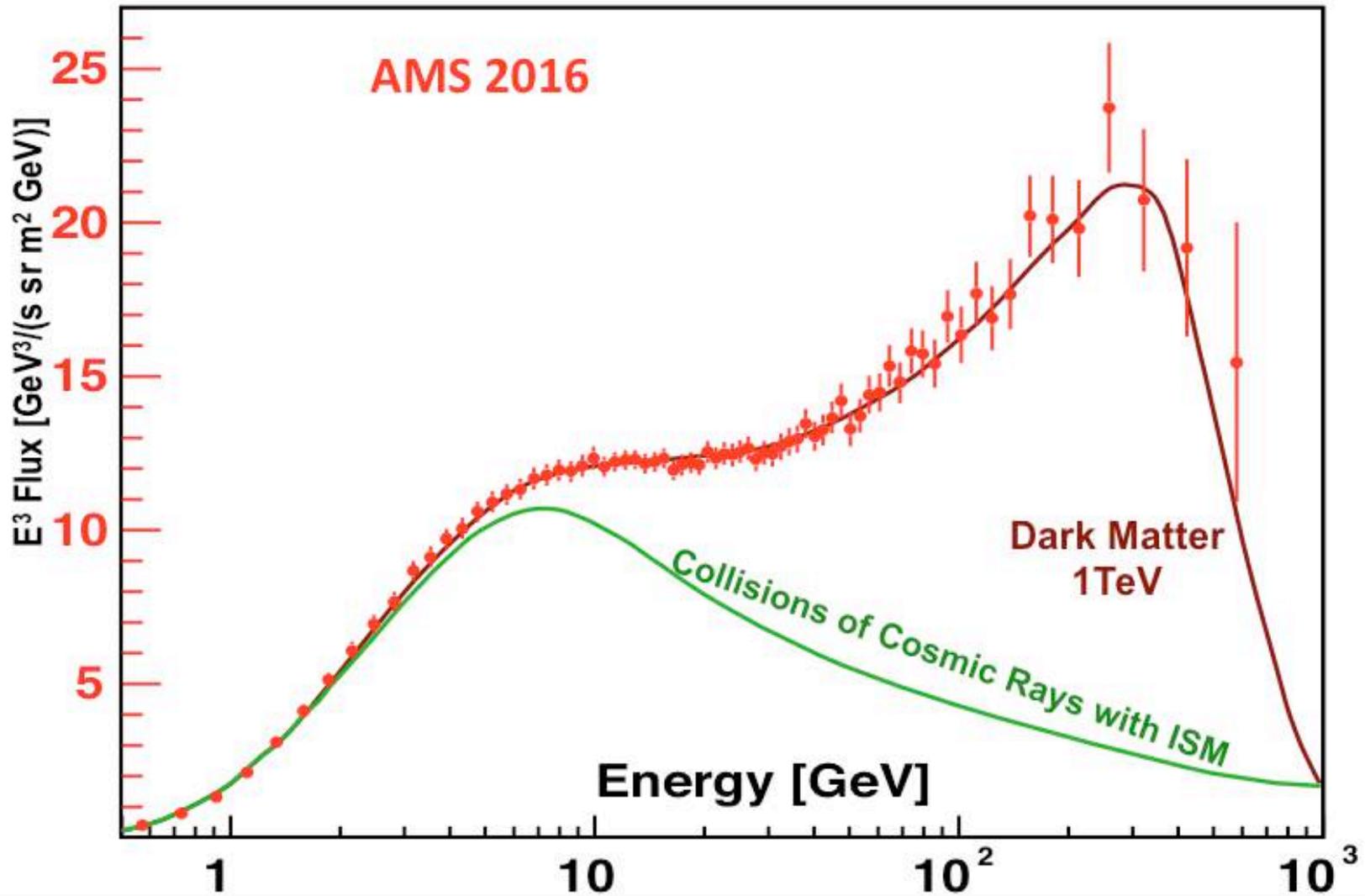


# AMS: dark matter search

- Discovering a new phenomenon?
- Consistent with the annihilation of neutralinos of mass  $m = 1$  TeV
- Positrons from astrophysical sources (e.g. pulsars)?
- Need new measurements (slope of drop ...,? Anti-proton quotient)



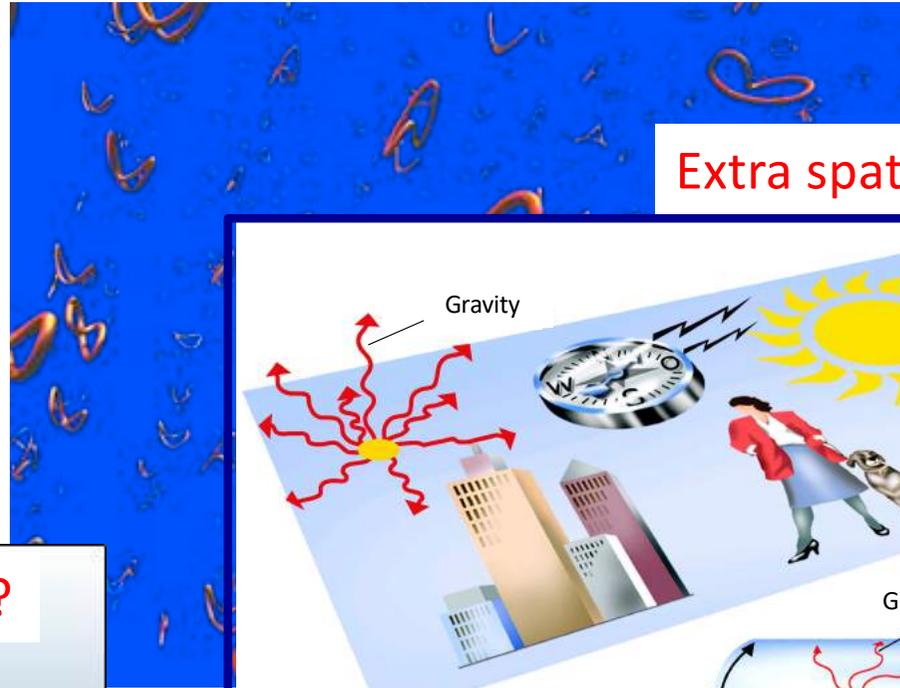
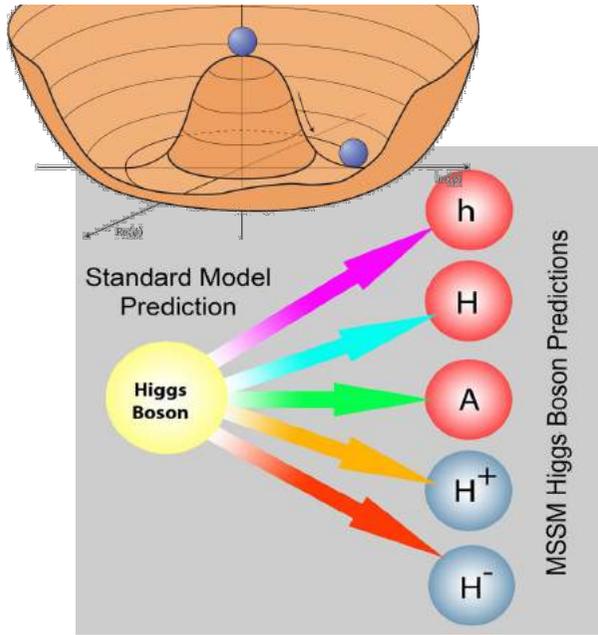
# AMS 2016 update



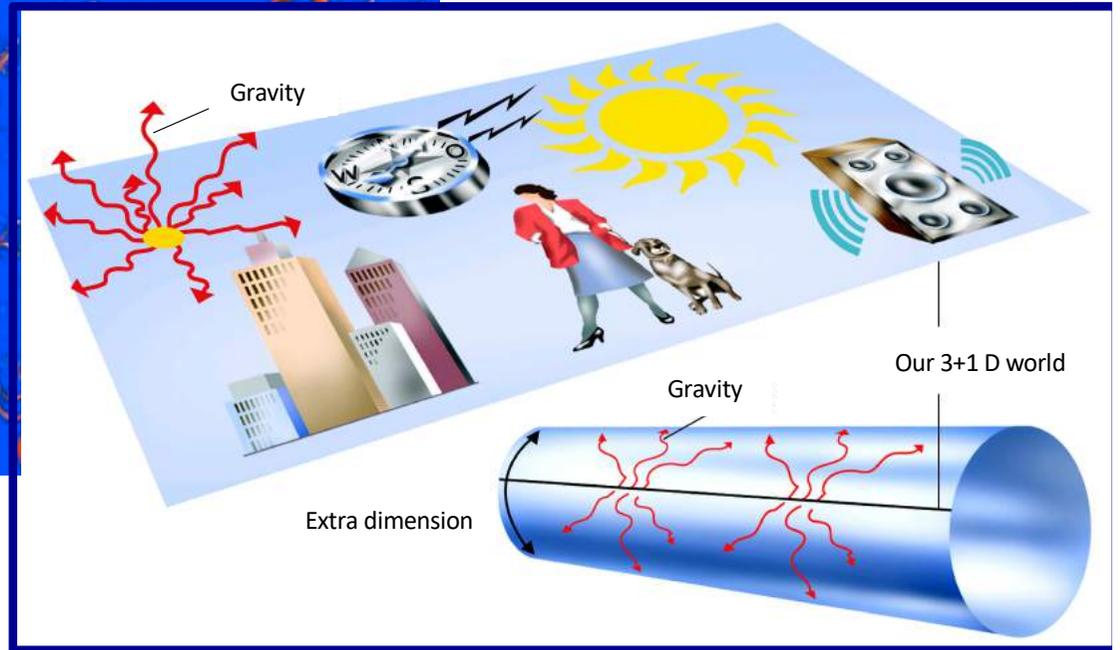
Still more data needed to understand source of the shape...  
New Physics or astrophysical phenomena (e.g. pulsars) ?

# More Higgs particles?

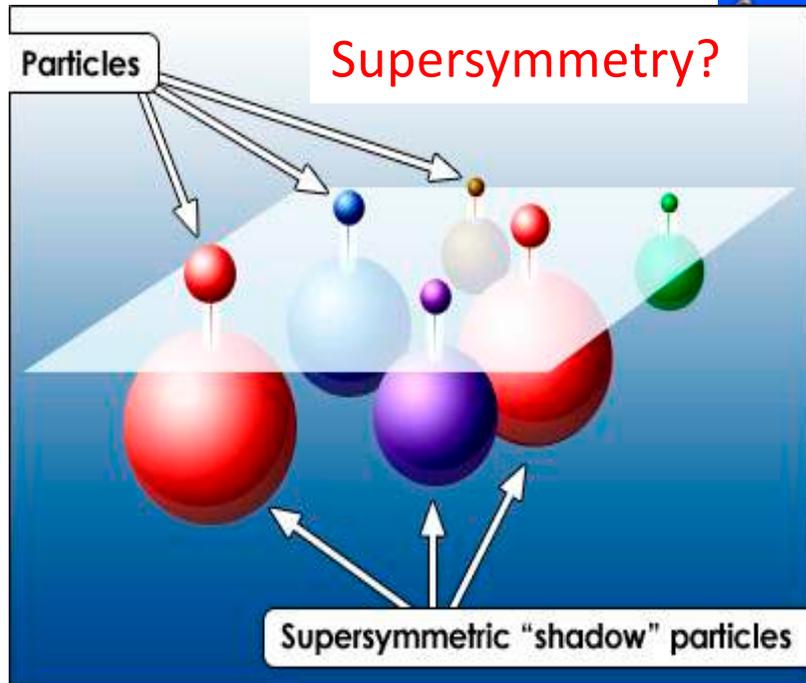
# What brings the future



Extra spatial dimensions?



New interactions? Unexpected surprises?



# Homework #10

- A photomultiplier have 14 dynodes and are operated at a total operation voltage of 2000 V, with an amplification factor of 4. Calculate the signal height in Volts for one input electron if the total time of travel is 5 ns and the resistance is 50  $\Omega$ .
- A photomultiplier tube with 25% quantum efficiency detects light from an organic scintillator with a density of 1.15 g cm<sup>-3</sup> and  $4 \times 10^3$  photons being emitted per MeV of particle energy loss. Only 5% of scintillation photons reach the PMT due to losses in the scintillator and light guide. How thick scintillator layer is required to detect minimum ionizing particles with an efficiency of at least 99%?
- A detector has an efficiency of 95% and a fake rate, i.e. how many times there is a signal without any incoming particle, of 1%. Calculate the efficiency and fake rate of a stack of three such identical detector layers if a signal is defined as (a) a logical OR of the three detector layers; (b) a logical AND of 2 or more layers.
- Derive the formula for the spatial resolution  $\sigma$  (defined as the RMS of the residuals between the measurement and the actual point of impact) in the case of threshold (also called digital) readout of a Silicon detector with a pitch size  $p$ :  $\sigma = p/\sqrt{12}$ .
- How can dark matter be observed by particle physics experiments?