

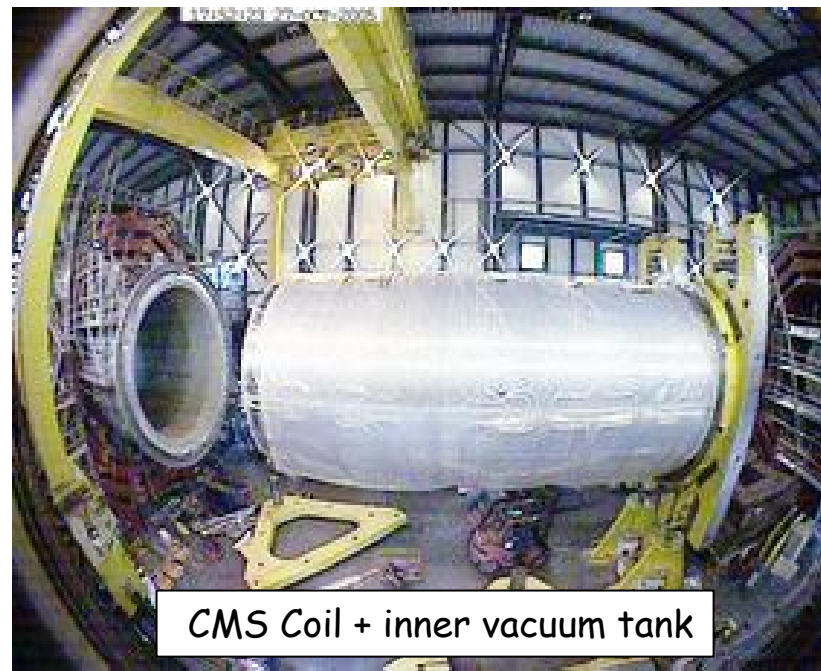
The Road to Measurements and Discoveries at the LHC

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LHC physics

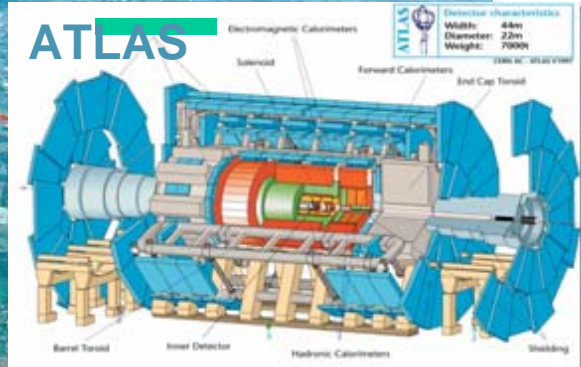
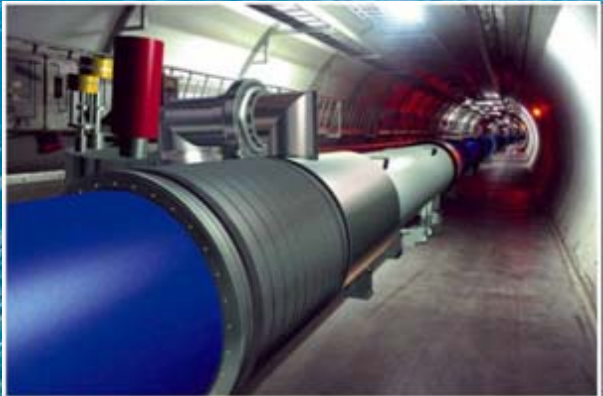


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- The LHC and the experiments
- Short Overview the Physics Program at the LHC
 - Standard Model Physics
 - The Higgs particle
 - Supersymmetry
 - Large extra dimensions & Black holes
 - Heavy Ion Physics
- Summary

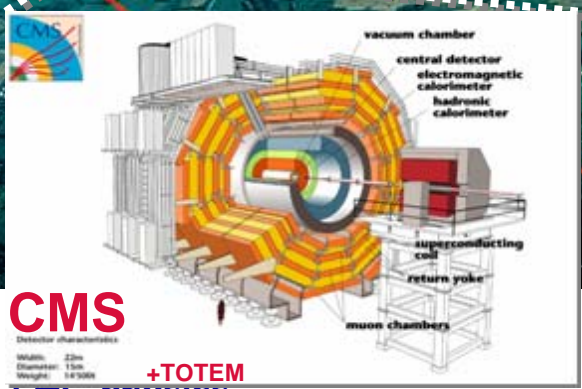
pp, B-Physics,
CP Violation

LHC : 27 km long
100m underground



General Purpose,
pp, heavy ions

Heavy ions, pp



CMS
+TOTEM
LHC physics

The LHC Machine and Experiments

proton-proton collisions
at 14 TeV CoM Energy

25 ns bunch spacing \Rightarrow 2835
bunches with 10^{11} p/bunch

First years lumi

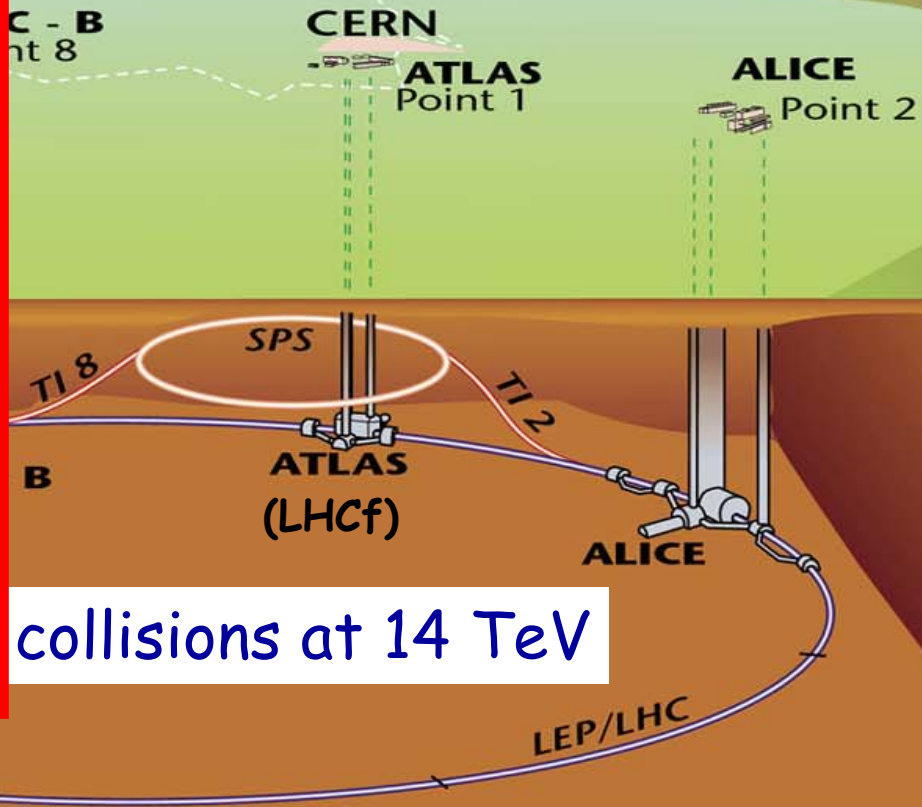
$\sim 2 \cdot 10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \Rightarrow 20 \text{ fb}^{-1} / \text{year}$

Design Luminosity:

$10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \Rightarrow 100 \text{ fb}^{-1} / \text{year}$

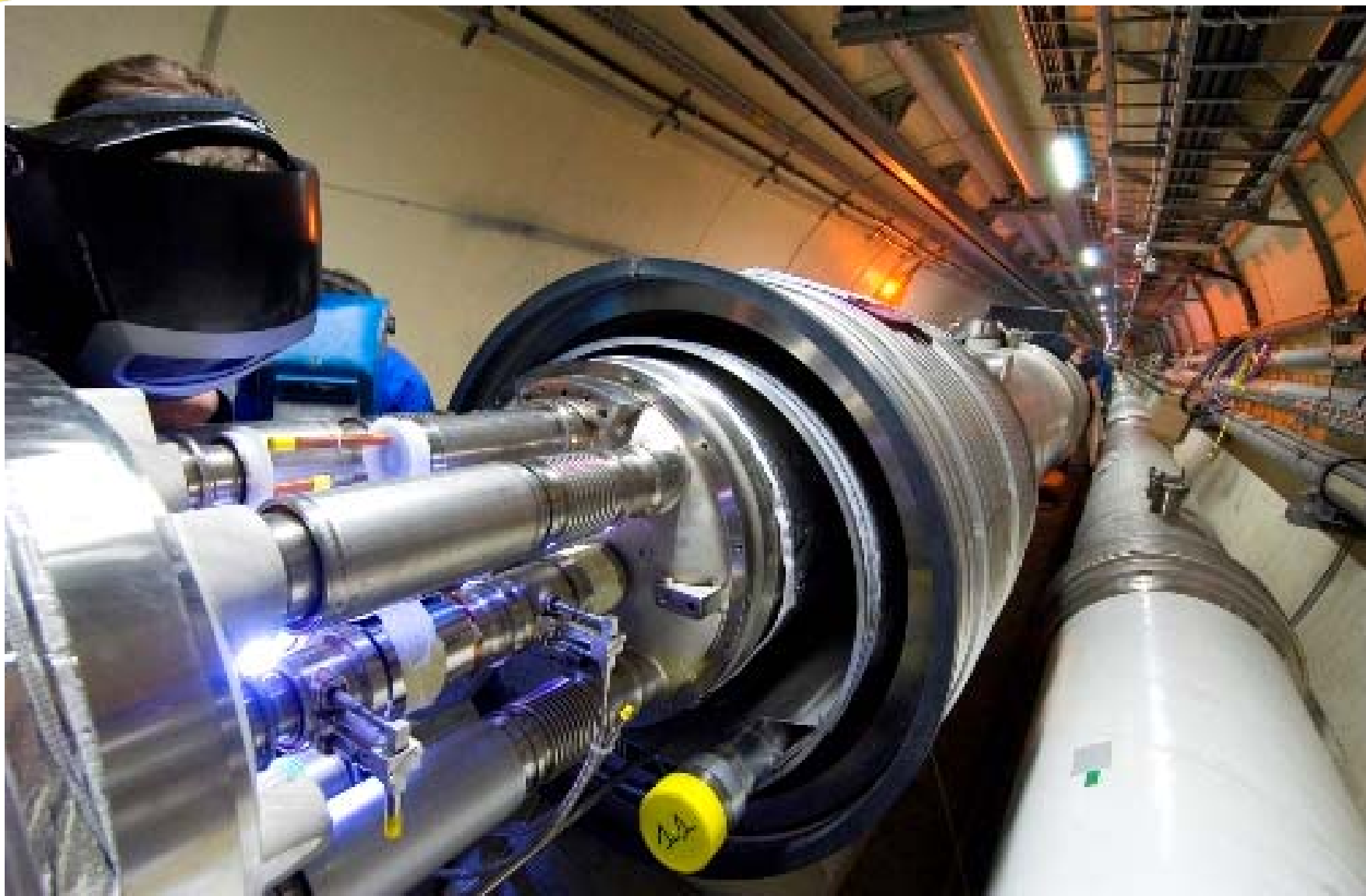
Stored energy/beam: 350 MJ

The LHC will be a very
challenging machine



collisions at 14 TeV

The LHC is Coming!

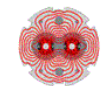




The LHC Progress & Schedule



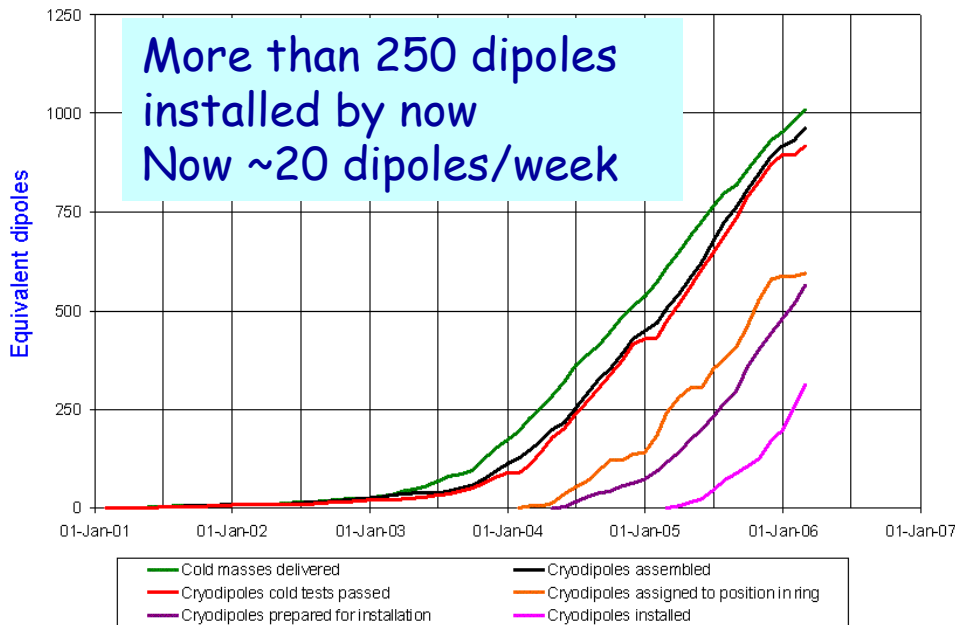
Crucial part: 1232 superconducting dipoles
Can follow progress on the LHC dashboard
<http://lhc-new-homepage.web.cern.ch/lhc-new-homepage/>



LHC Progress Dashboard



Cryodipole overview



The LHC Schedule^(*)

- LHC will be closed and set up for beam on **1 July 2007**
- First beam in machine: **August 2007**
LHC commissioning will take time!
- First collisions expected in **October/November 2007**
Followed by a short pilot run $O(10) \text{ pb}^{-1} ?$
- **First physics run in 2008**
one to a few $\text{fb}^{-1} ?$
- **Physics run in 2009 +...**
 $10\text{-}20 \text{ fb}^{-1}/\text{year} \Rightarrow 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}/\text{year}$

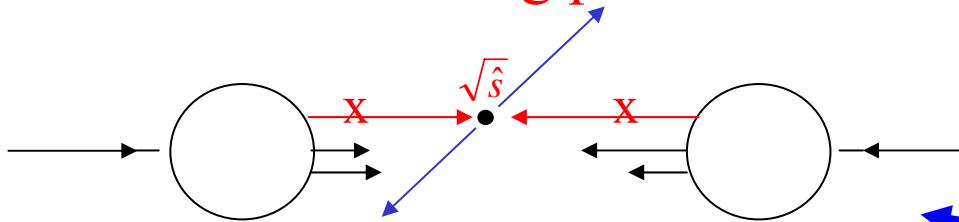
(*) eg. M. Lamont et al, April 2005.
Achtung! Lumi estimates are mine, not from the machine

Update expected in **June-July 2006**

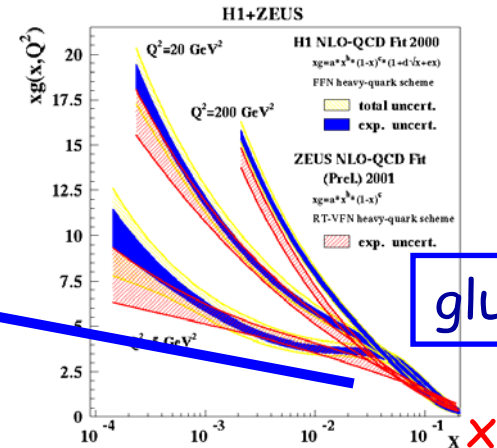
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Proton-proton collisions

Monochromatic proton beam can be seen as **beam of quarks and gluons** with a wide band of energy. Occasionally **hard scattering (“head on”)** between constituents of incoming protons occurs.



$p \equiv$ momentum of incoming protons = 7 TeV



Interactions at small distance \rightarrow large momentum transfer \rightarrow massive particles and/or particles at large angle are produced.

These are interesting physics events but they are **rare**.



$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow W) \approx 150 \text{ nb} \approx 10^{-6} \sigma_{\text{tot}}(pp)$$

Need:

- High Energy
- Many collisions

High luminosity

E.g. $1 \text{ pb}^{-1}/\text{hour} \Rightarrow$
 $150\,000 \text{ pp} \rightarrow W / \text{h}$
 (1 barn = 10^{-24} cm^2)

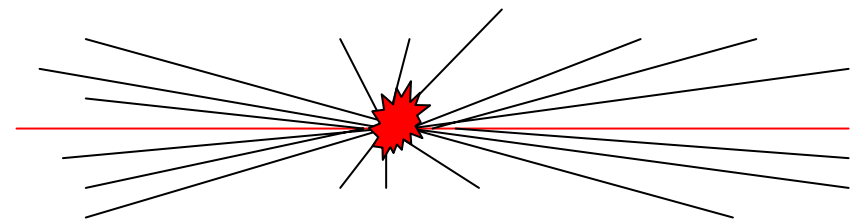
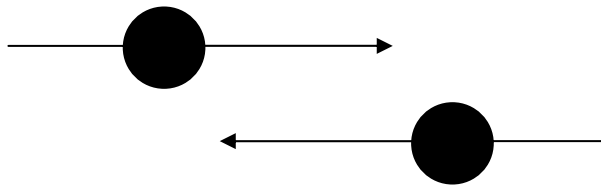
Proton-proton collisions

Most interactions due to collisions at large distance between incoming protons where protons interact as “ a whole ”

→ small momentum transfer ($\Delta p \approx \hbar / \Delta x$)

→ particles in final state have **large longitudinal momentum but small**

→ **transverse momentum** (scattering at large angle is small)



$\langle p_T \rangle \approx 500 \text{ MeV}$ of charged particles in final state

Most energy escapes down the beam pipe.

Cross section
 $\sim 100 \text{ mb}$
Huge!!

These are called **minimum-bias events** (“ soft “ events) \Rightarrow background !!

On average 4-20 min bias events per bunch crossing at the LHC!!

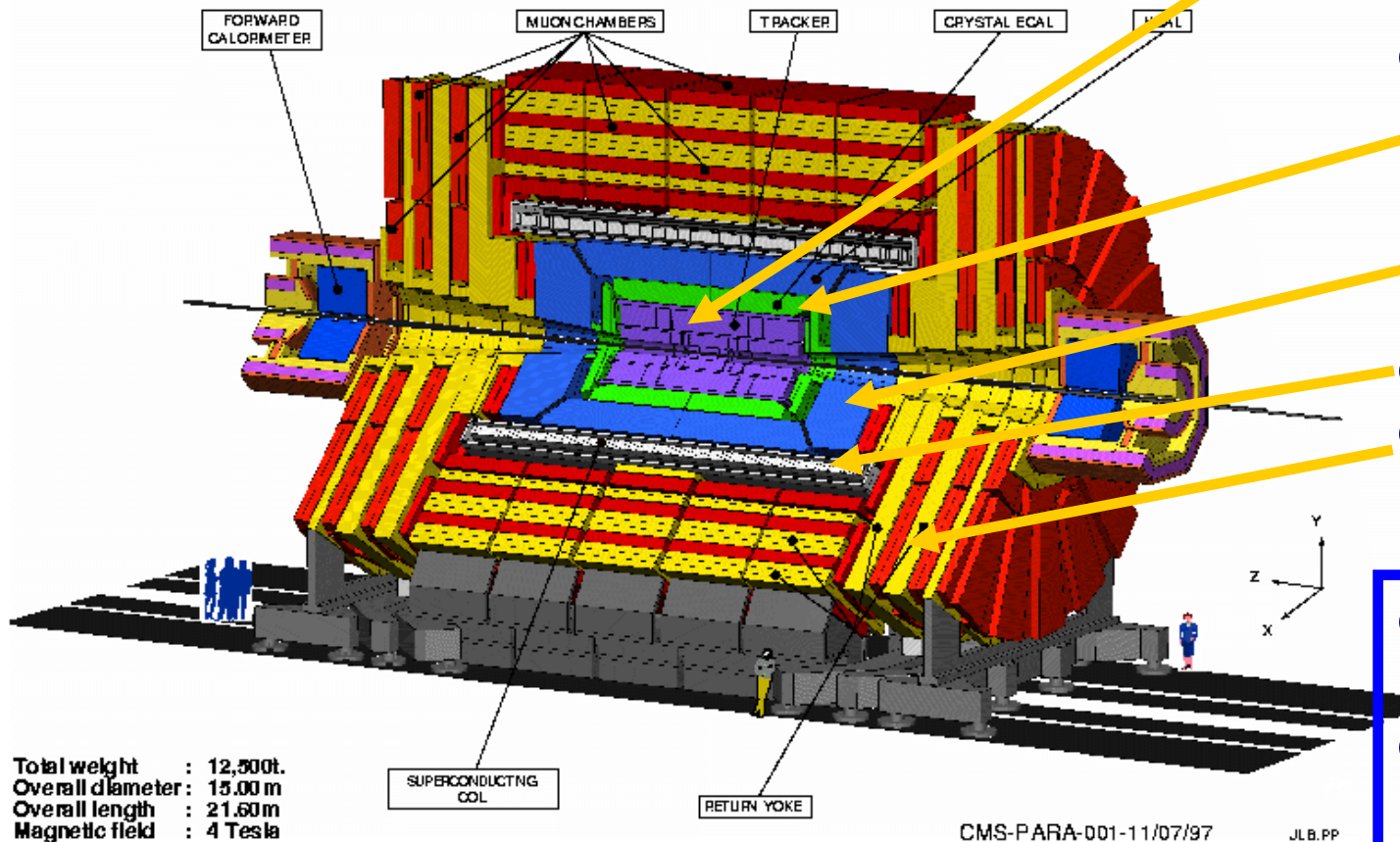
- Discover or exclude the Higgs in the mass region up to 1 TeV. Measure Higgs properties
- Discover Supersymmetric particles (if exist) up to 2-3 TeV
- Discover Extra space dimensions, if these are on the TeV scale, and black holes?
- Search other new phenomena (e.g. strong EWSB, new gauge bosons, Little Higgs model, Split Supersymmetry)
- Study CP violation in the B sector
- Precision measurements of m_{top} , m_W , anomalous couplings...
- Heavy ion collisions and search for quark gluon plasma
- QCD and diffractive (forward) physics in a new regime

Either at least one Higgs is found with mass below 1 TeV, or new phenomena (strong EWSB?) set on in the TeV region

The CMS experiment



~2300 people/~150 institutes



- o Tracking
 - o Silicon pixels
 - o Silicon strips
- o Calorimeters
 - o PbWO4 crystals for Electro-magn.
 - o Scintillator/steel for hadronic part
- o 4T solenoid
- o Instrumented iron for muon detection

- o In total about 98 000 000 channels
- o Size of 1 event 1 000 000 Bytes
- o Readout to disk 100 events/sec

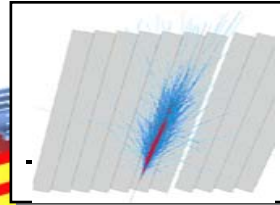
A Huge Enterprise !

SUPERCONDUCTING COIL

Total weight : 12,500 t
 Overall diameter : 15 m
 Overall length : 21.6 m
 Magnetic field : 4 Tesla

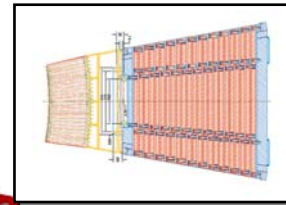
CALORIMETERS

ECAL Scintillating $PbWO_4$ Crystals



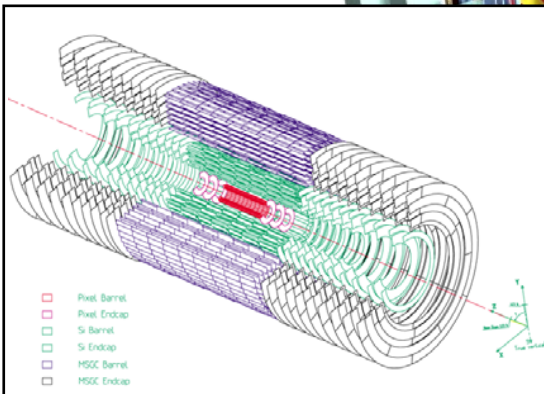
HCAL Plastic scintillator

copper sandwich



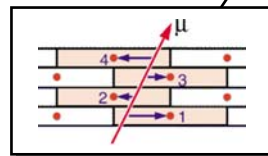
IRON YOKE

TRACKERS

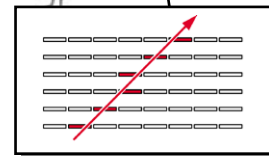


Silicon Microstrips
 Pixels

MUON BARREL

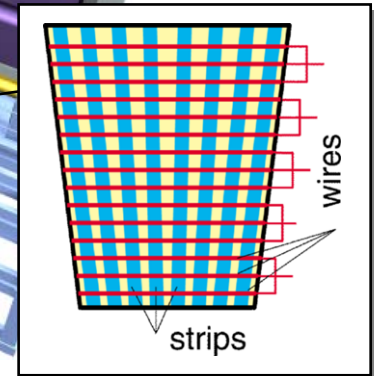


Drift Tube Chambers (DT)



Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC)

MUON ENDCAPS



Cathode Strip Chambers (CSC)
 Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC)

2701 scientists & engineers

176 institutions

37 countries

TRIGGER & DATA ACQUISITION

Austria, CERN, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Korea, Poland, Portugal, Switzerland, UK, USA

TRACKER

Austria, Belgium, CERN, Finland, France, New Zealand, Germany, Italy, Japan*, Switzerland, UK, USA

CRYSTAL ECAL

Belarus, CERN, China, Croatia, Cyprus, France, Ireland, Italy, Japan*, Portugal, Russia, Serbia, Switzerland, UK, USA

PRESHOWER

Armenia, Belarus, CERN, Greece, India, Russia, Taipei, Uzbekistan

RETURN YOKE

Barrel: Czech Rep., Estonia, Germany, Greece, Russia
Endcap: Japan*, USA, Brazil

SUPERCONDUCTING MAGNET

All countries in CMS contribute to Magnet financing in particular: Finland, France, Italy, Japan*, Korea, Switzerland, USA

FEET
Pakistan, China

FORWARD CALORIMETER

Hungary, Iran, Russia, Turkey, USA

HCAL

Barrel: Bulgaria, India, Spain*, USA
Endcap: Belarus, Bulgaria, Russia, Ukraine
HO: India

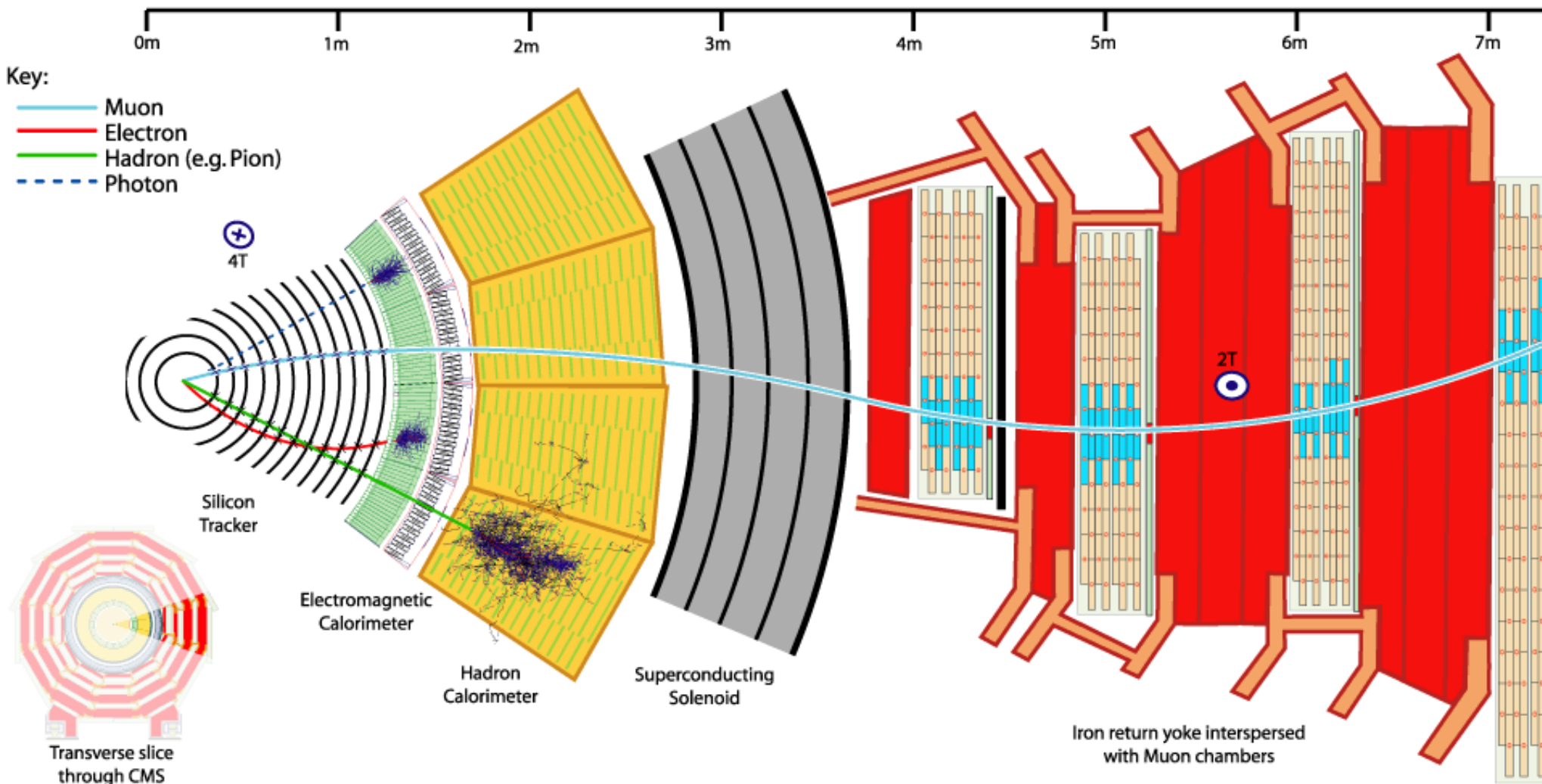
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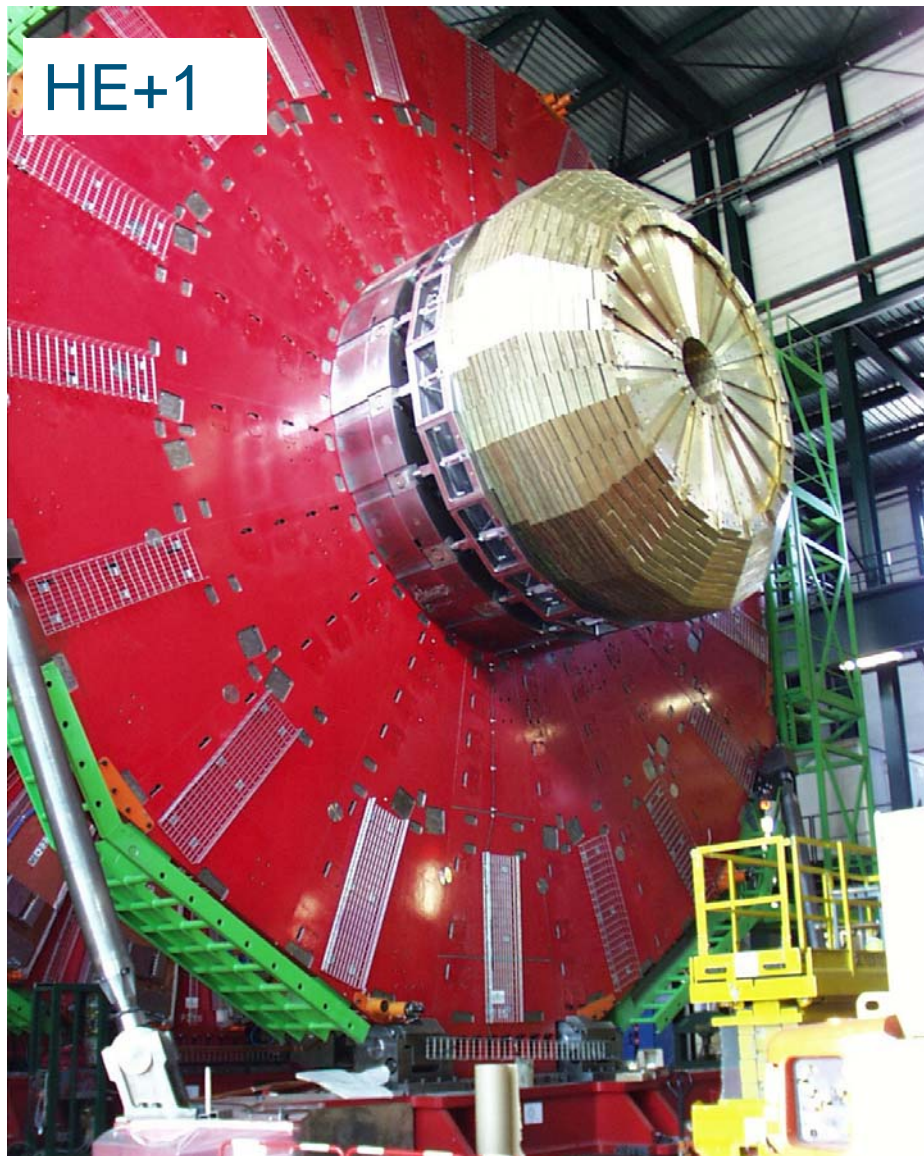
Barrel: Austria, Bulgaria, CERN, China, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Spain,
Endcap: Belarus, Bulgaria, China, Korea, Pakistan, Russia, USA

* Only through industrial contracts

Total weight : 12500 T
Overall diameter : 15.0 m
Overall length : 21.5 m
Magnetic field : 4 Tesla

See <http://cmsdoc.cern.ch/peopleCMS.shtml>





LHC physics



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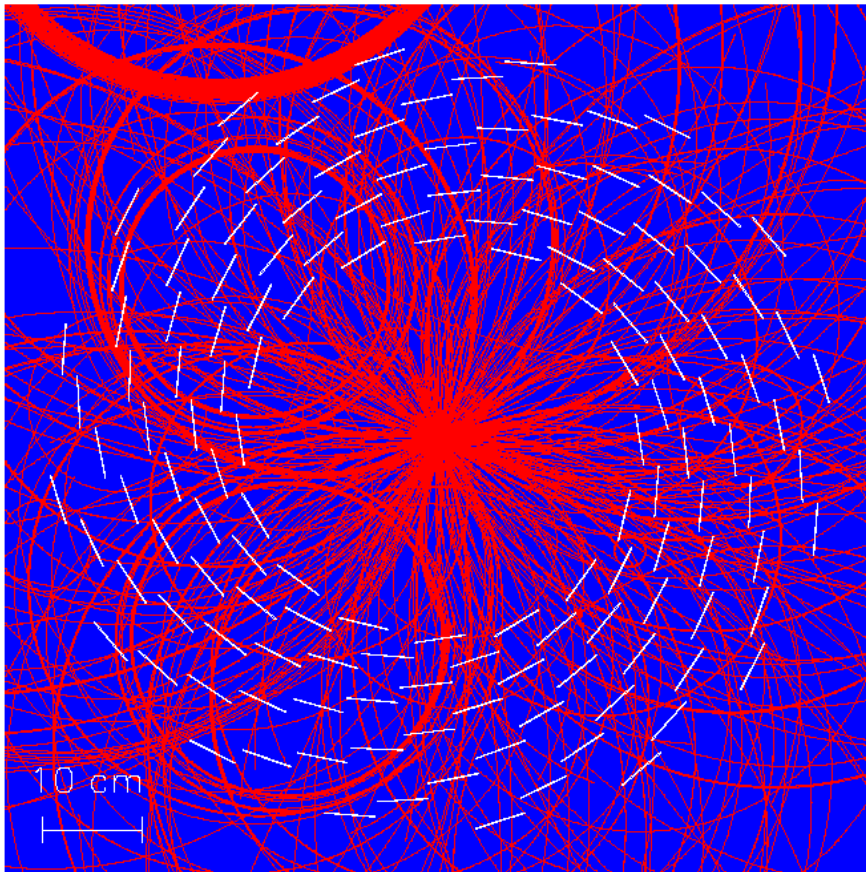
MB stations installed in YB+2,



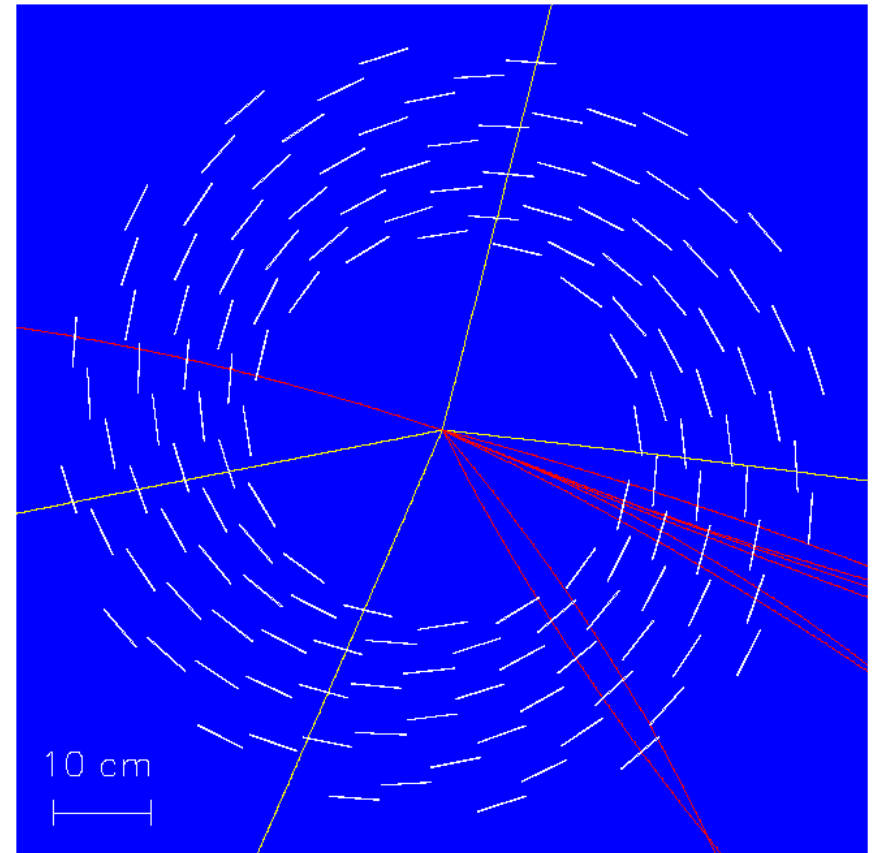
How to find the interesting signals

This event contains $pp \rightarrow H+X$, with $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu\mu$

$\hookrightarrow X \sim 100$ charged particles



All tracks shown



Only tracks with transverse momentum > 2 GeV shown

Per year, the LHC will provide $\sim 10^{16}$ pp collisions (few/ 25 nanoseconds)

An observation of ~ 10 events could be a discovery of new physics.



One has to find these 10 events among 10^{16} non-interesting ones!!

Searching for a needle in a hay stack?

- typical needle: 5 mm^3
- typical haystack: 50 m^3



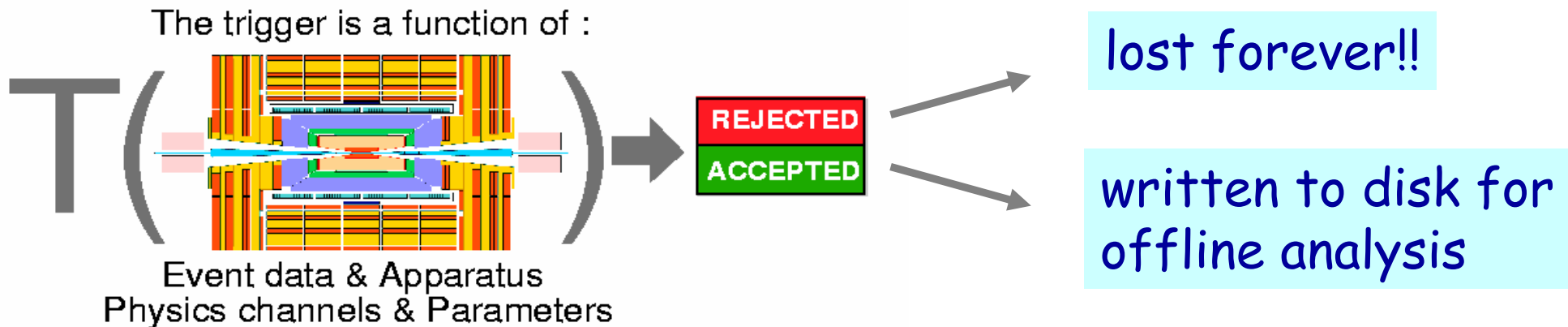
needle : haystack = $1 : 10^{10}$



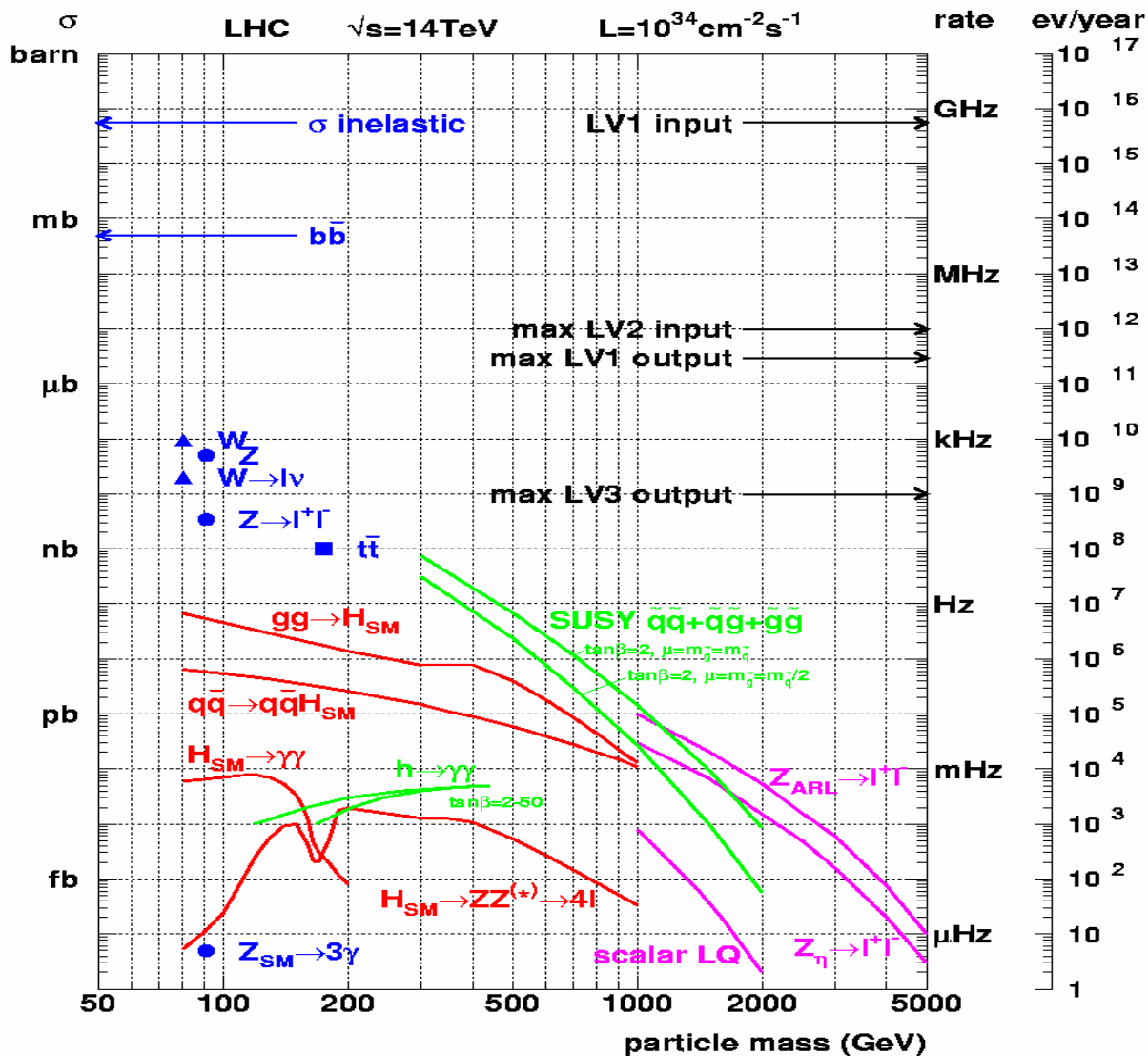
Looking for new physics at the LHC is like looking for a needle in 100000 haystacks ...

Event filtering: the trigger system

Collision rate is 40 MHz Event size ~ 1 Mbyte
2007 technology (and budget) allows only to write 100 Hz
of events to tape \rightarrow need a factor $\sim 10^7$ online filtering!!



The event trigger is one of the biggest challenges at the LHC
 \Rightarrow Based on hard scattering signatures: jets, leptons, photons, missing E_t ,...



“Well known”
 processes, don't need
 to keep all of them ...

New Physics!!
 This we want to keep!!

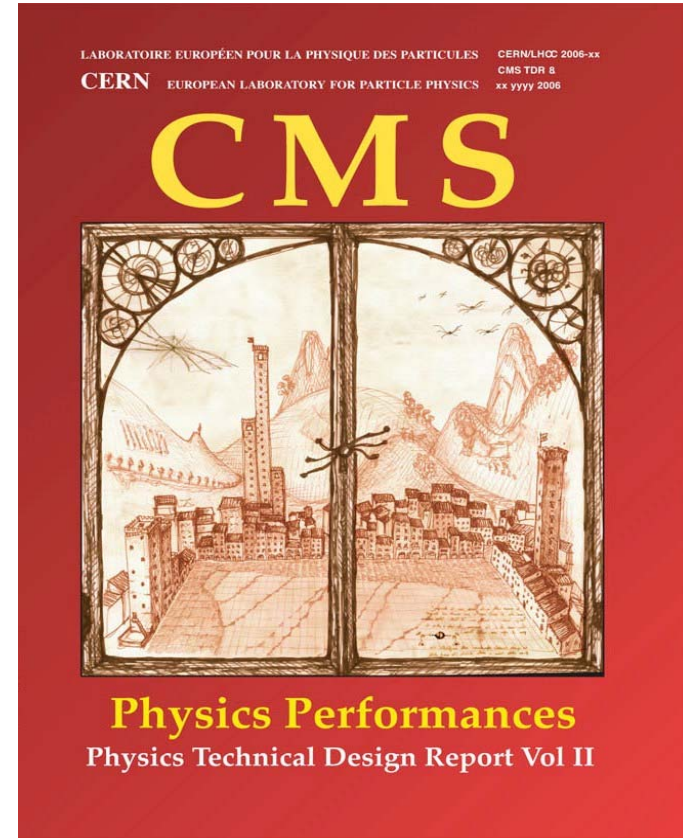
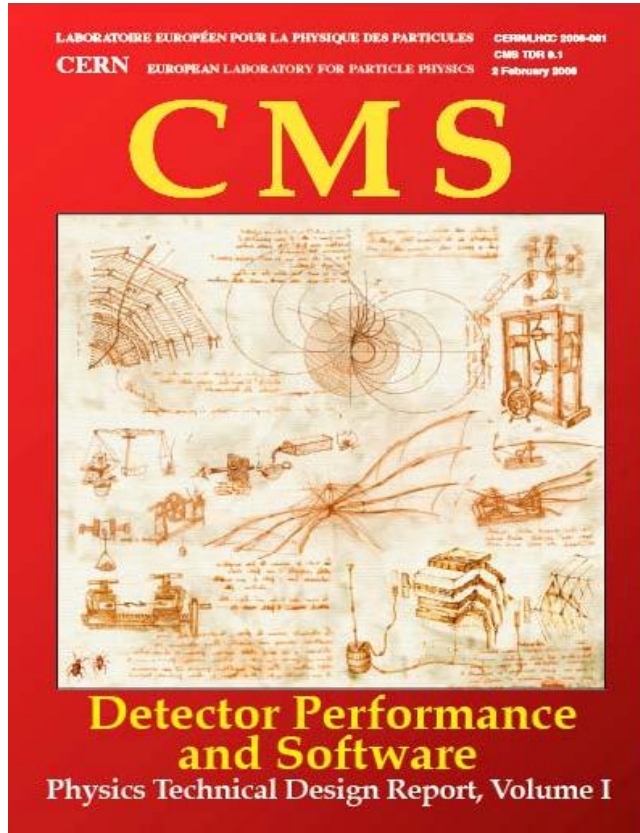
Process	Events/s	Events/year	Other machines
$W \rightarrow e\nu$	15	10^8	10^4 LEP / 10^7 Tev
$Z \rightarrow ee$	1.5	10^7	10^7 LEP
$t\bar{t}$	0.8	10^7	10^4 Tevatron
$b\bar{b}$	10^5	10^{12}	10^8 Belle/BaBar
$\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ ($m=1$ TeV)	0.001	10^4	—
H ($m=0.8$ TeV)	0.001	10^4	—
QCD jets $p_T > 200$ GeV	10^2	10^9	10^7

Huge event rates:
($10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)

The LHC will be a W-factory, a Z-factory, a top factory, a Higgs factory etc..

Precision physics will be limited by systematics

New Analysis Developments from CMS



<http://cmsdoc.cern.ch/cms/cpt/tdr/>

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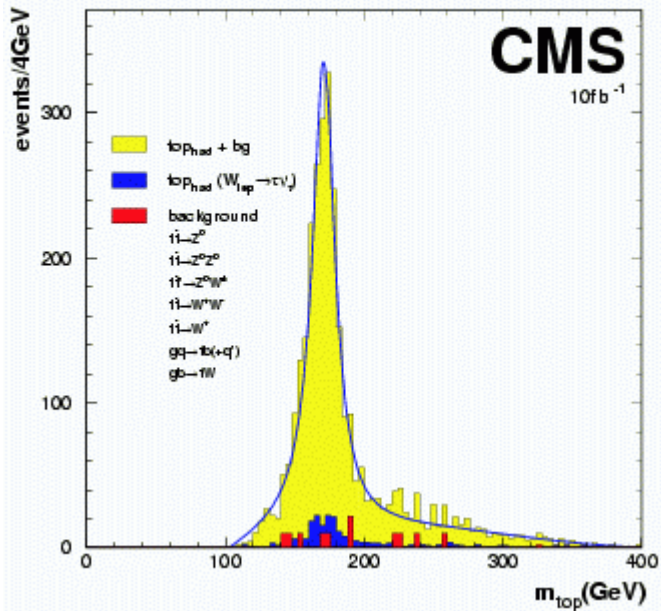
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1. Standard Model

Precision measurements of Standard Model processes and parameters

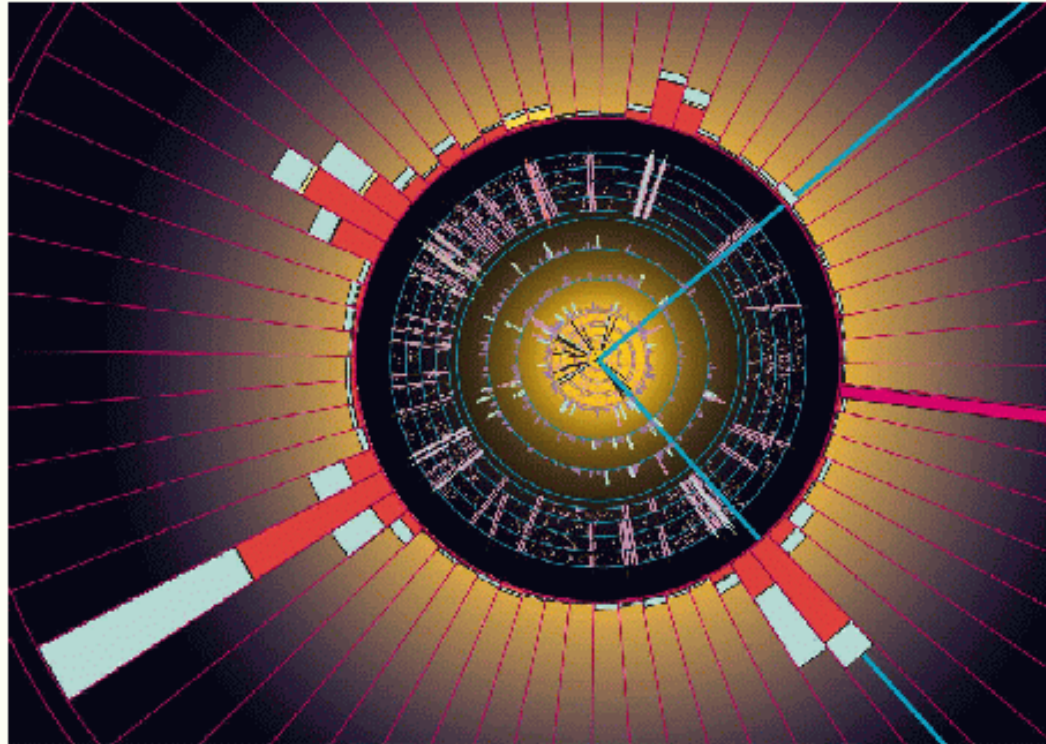
Reconstructed top mass distribution:



- Physics of the top quark
- Electroweak physics
- Quantum Chromo Dynamics
- Physics of the b-quark
- Forward physics

Recent Steps

The Last Quark



Fermilab/USDOE

1994
Top mass
 $174 \pm 5 \text{ GeV}$

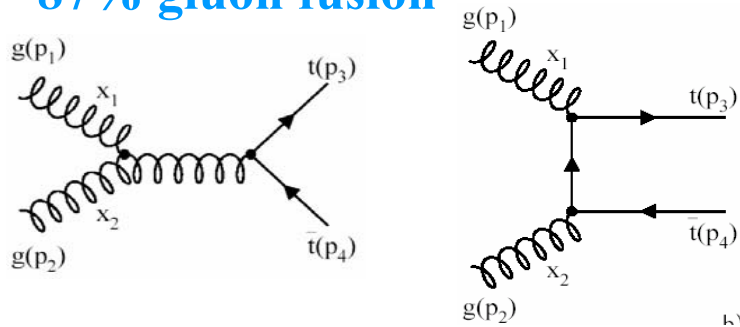
i.e. this quark
is as heavy as
a gold nucleus

Top Quark discovered at Fermilab

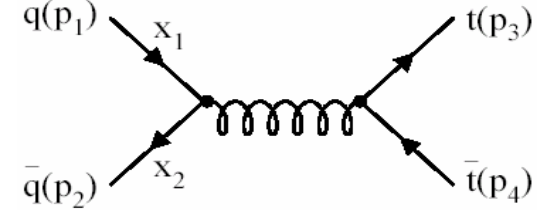
**All 3 families in the
SM are now complete**

- $t\bar{t}$ production**

87% gluon fusion



13% quark annihilation



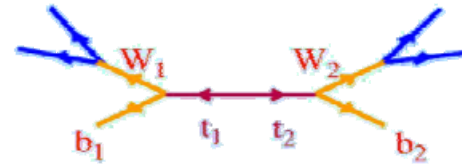
Inverse ratio of production mechanism as compared to Tevatron

- Approximately one $t\bar{t}$ -pair per second at $10^{33}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$**

LHC is a top factory!

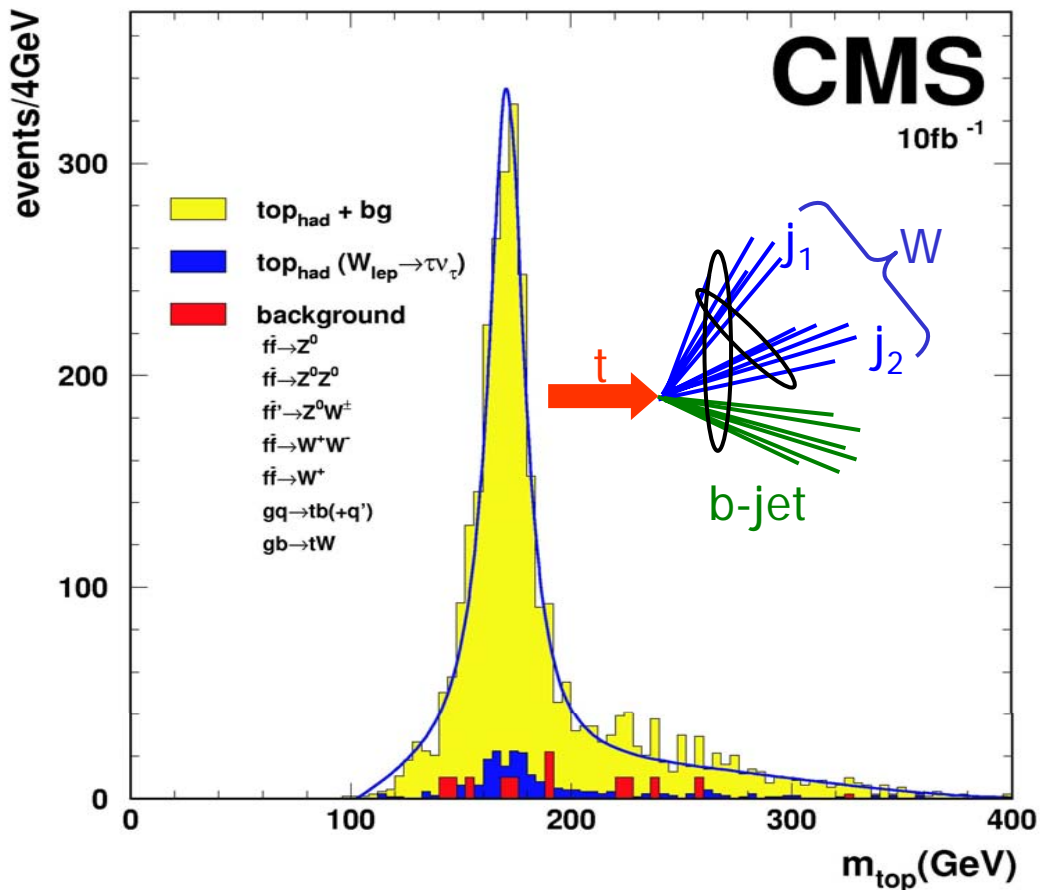
- Top decay: $\approx 100\% t \rightarrow bW$**
- Study top mass, couplings etc.**
- Other rare SM decays:**
 - CKM suppressed $t \rightarrow sW, dW$: $10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$ level**
 - $t \rightarrow bWZ$: $O(10^{-6})$**

difficult, but since $m_t \approx m_b + m_W + m_Z$ sensitive to m_t



Top Quark Mass Measurements

- „easiest“ channel $tt \rightarrow bb \, qq \, lv$ (semi-leptonic)



- 3.5 million semileptonic events corresponding to 10 fb⁻¹
- CMS analysis with hard cuts: 0.14% of the events kept (!!!)

⇒ Error on $m_t \approx \pm 1$ GeV

statistical error 250 MeV
 largest sys. errors:
 p_T spectrum 400 MeV
 b-jet energy scale ?

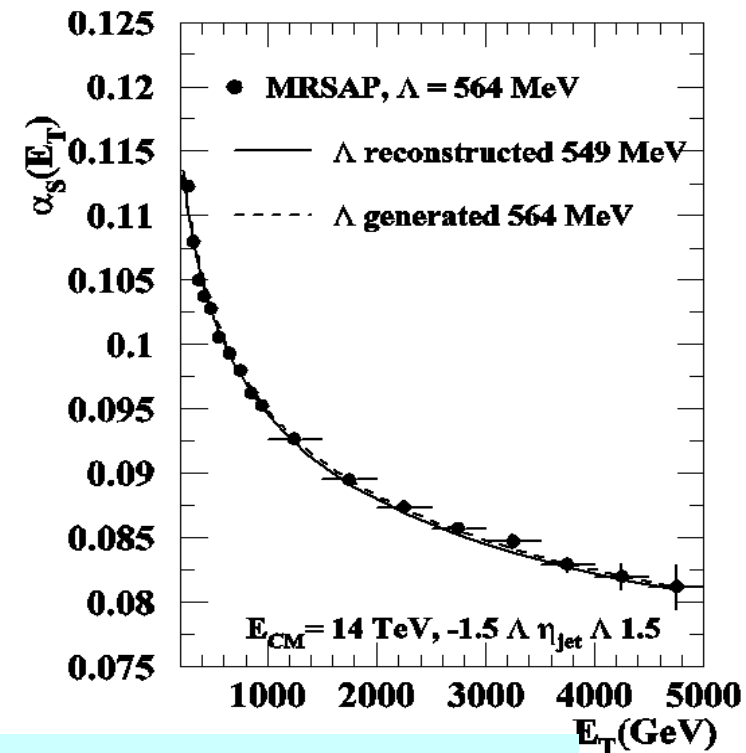
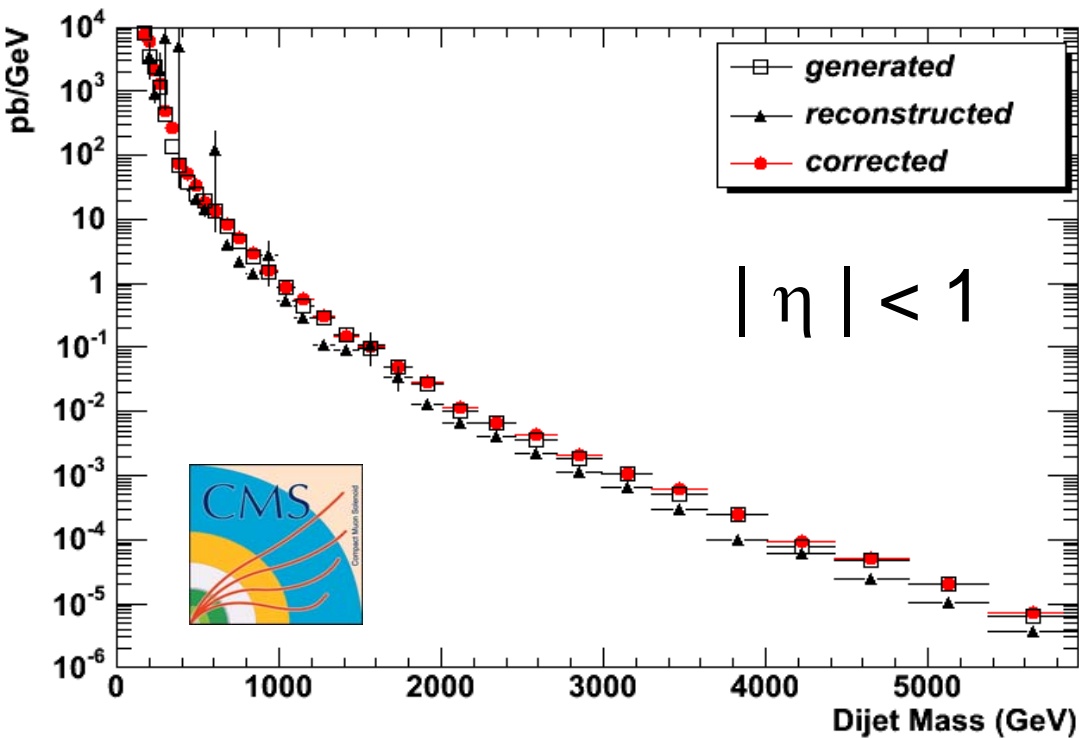
Measurements at 1 fb⁻¹

- initial mass determination
- total & diff. cross sections

- Measure jet E_T spectrum, rate varies over 11 orders of magnitude
- Test QCD at the multi-TeV scale

Running of the strong Coupling constant α_s

Example: di-jet mass rate in central detector

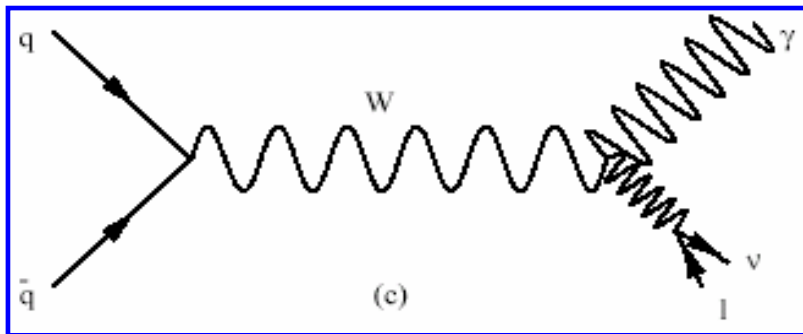


2004 Nobel Prize in Physics

Triple Gauge Boson Couplings

Test CP conserving anomalous couplings at the $WW\gamma$ vertex
 $\Delta\kappa$ and λ

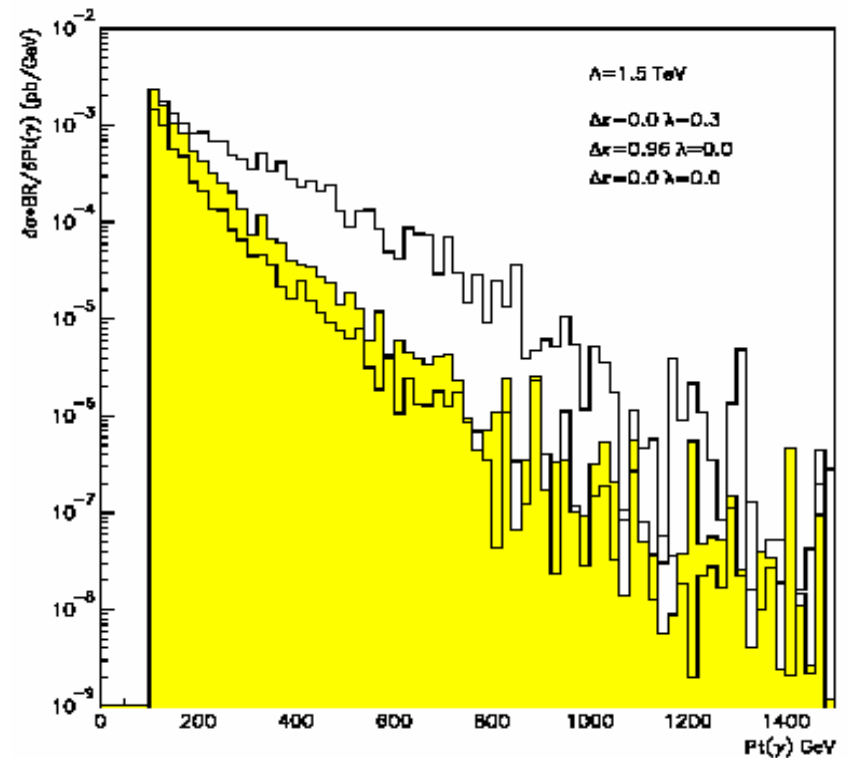
Sensitivity:
 p_T spectrum SM couplings
 vs current limits at 1.5 TeV



Method:

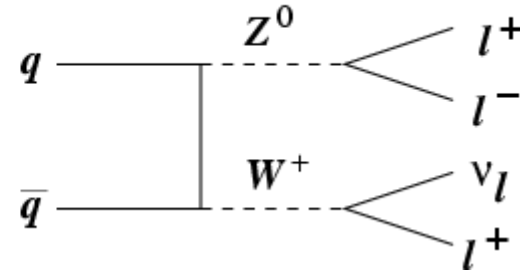
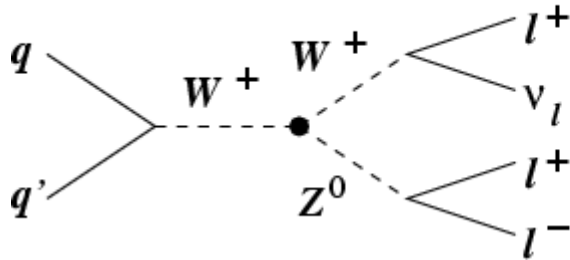
- $W\gamma$ final states
 - $W \rightarrow e\nu$ and $\mu\nu$
 - p_T spectrum of photon

 - Further WWZ vertex
 - $WZ \rightarrow 3$ lepton final state
- \Rightarrow Zagreb Croatia**



The process $pp \rightarrow WZ \rightarrow 3l + \text{neutrino}$

(First full simulation performed at IRB, to be published in CMS PTDR)

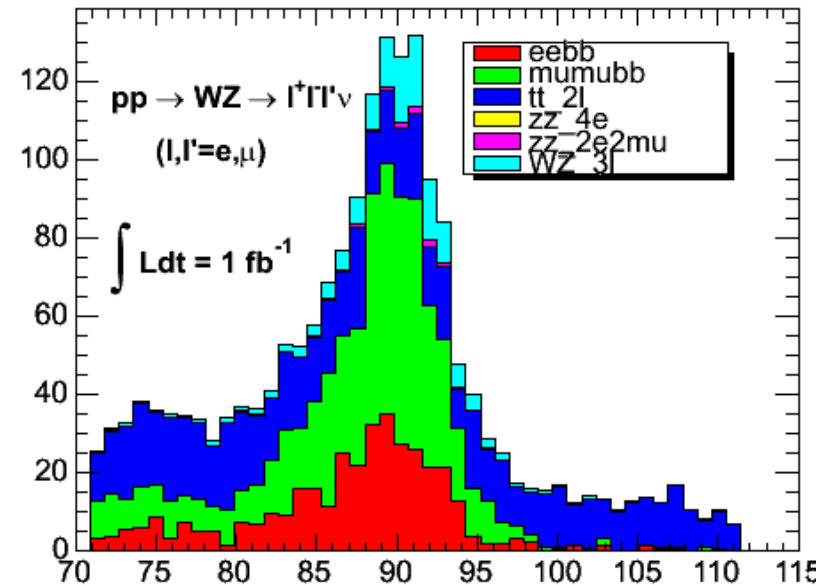


All events with

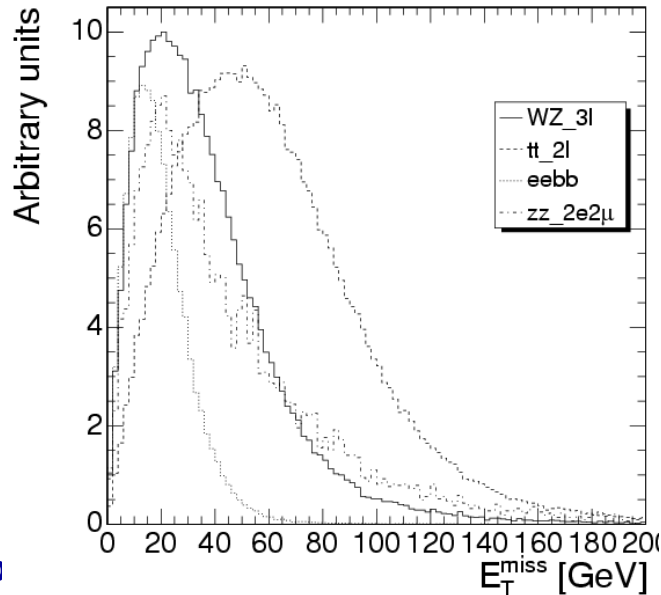
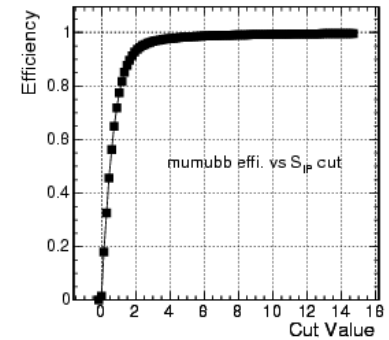
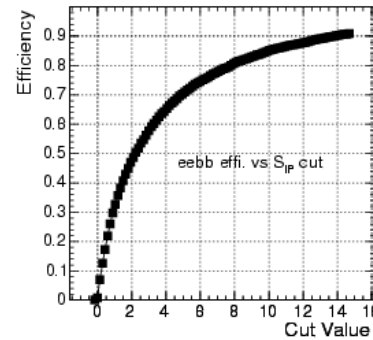
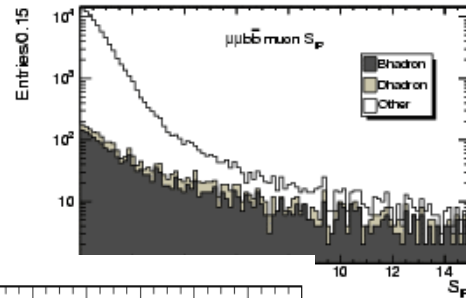
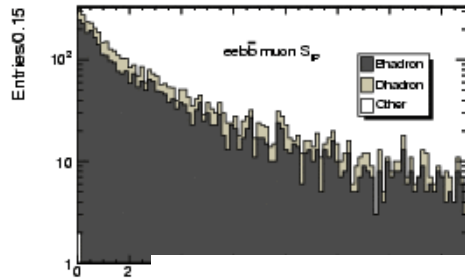
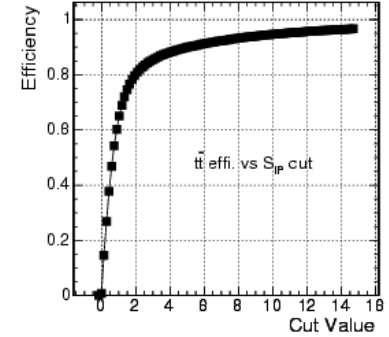
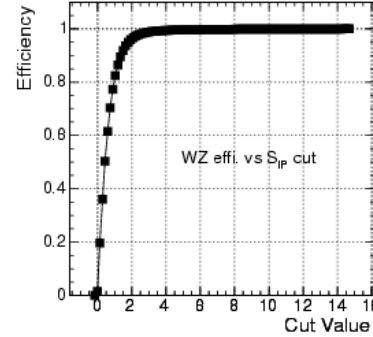
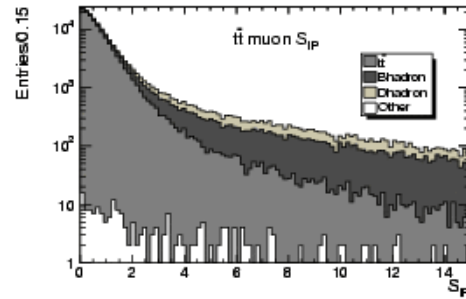
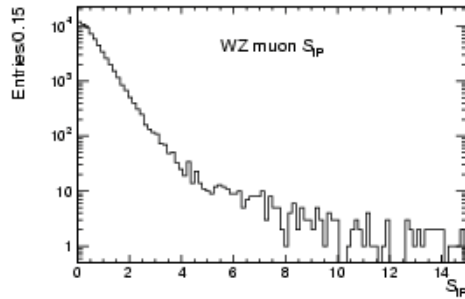
- s-channel contribution dominant
- Sensitive to TGC

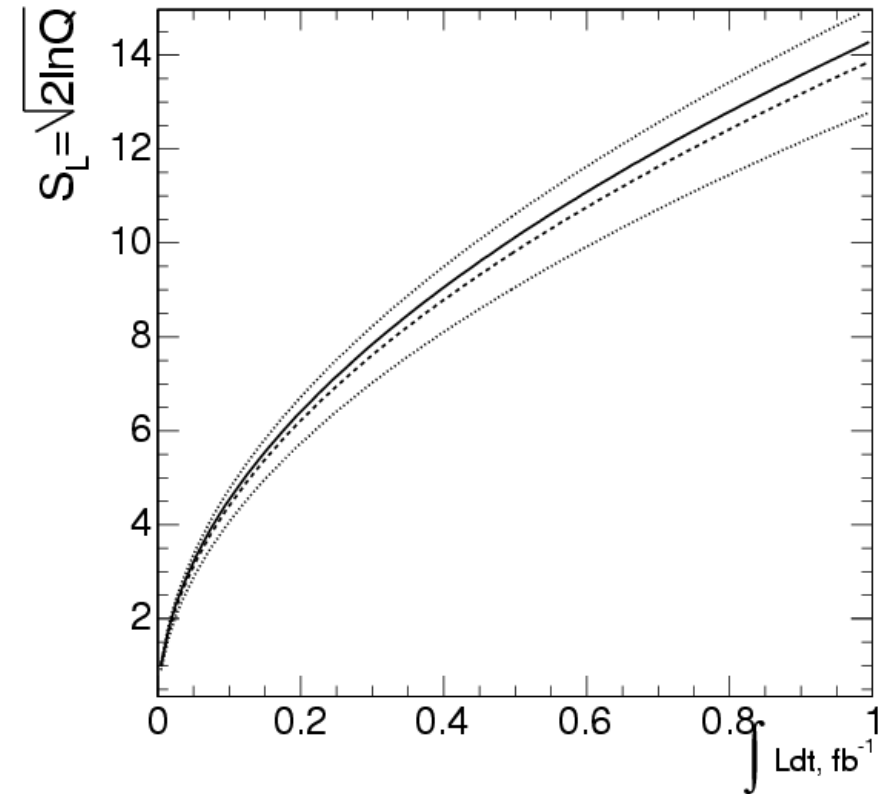
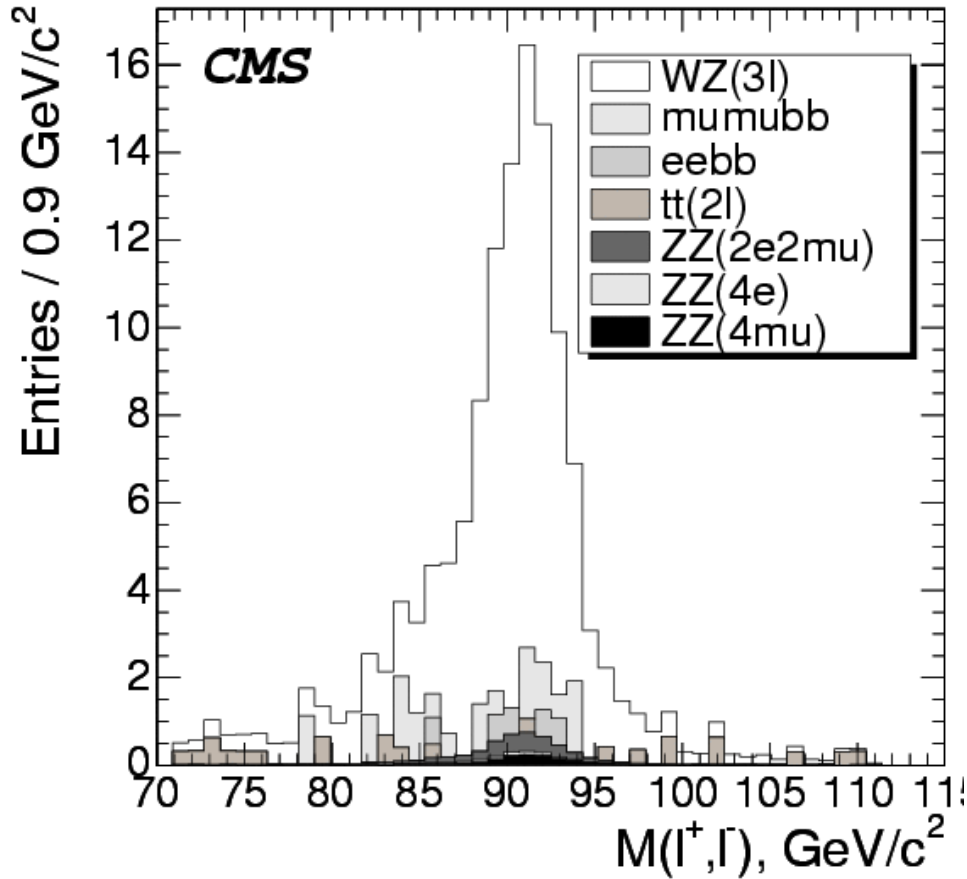
Excellent channel to

- Measure SM TGC
- Look for anomalous GC
- Can be seen early at the LHC



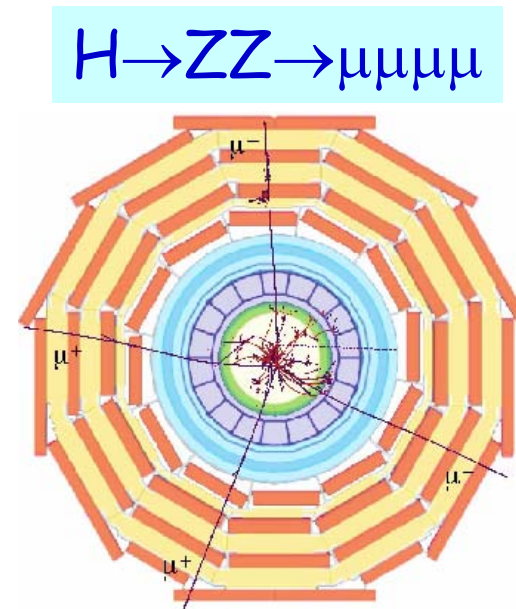
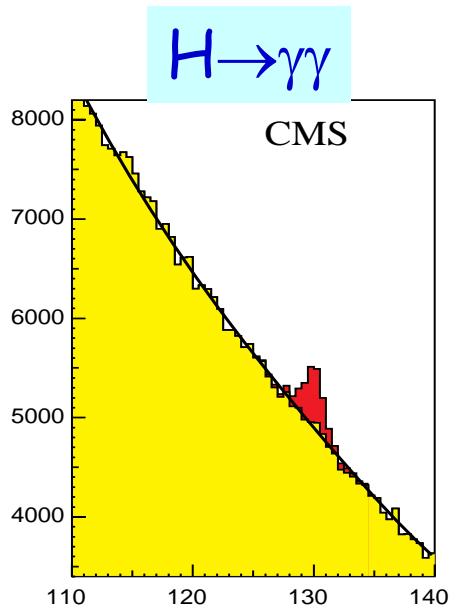
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2. Higgs Physics

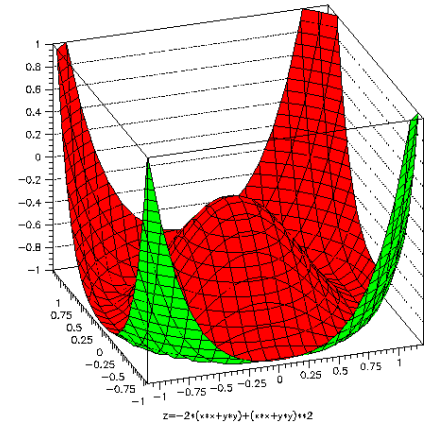
- ⇒ What is the origin of Electro-weak Symmetry Breaking?
- ⇒ If Higgs field at least one new scalar particle should exist: The Higgs
One of the main missions of CMS: discover the Higgs for $m_H < 1 \text{ TeV}$



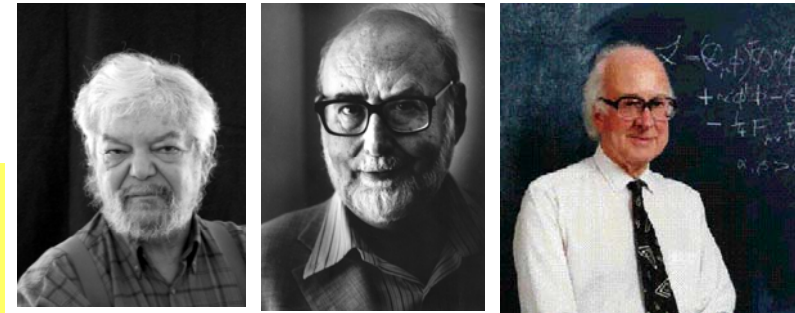
1964 Higgs, Englert and Brout propose to add a complex scalar field to the Lagrangian

$$\phi = \phi_1 + i\phi_2$$

$$\mathcal{L} = (\partial^\mu \phi^\dagger)(\partial_\mu \phi) - \mu^2 |\phi|^2 - \lambda |\phi|^4$$



Expect at least one new scalar particle:
The (Brout-Englert-) Higgs particle



- SM Higgs (LEP)
 - $M_H > 114.1 \text{ GeV}$ @95% CL
- MSSM neutral Higgs bosons (LEP)
 - $M_h, M_A > 92.9, 93.3 \text{ GeV}$ @95% CL
 - $M_{H^\pm} > 89.6 \text{ GeV}$ @95% CL for $\text{BR}(M_{H^\pm} \rightarrow \tau\nu) = 1$
 - $M_{H^\pm} > 78.6 \text{ GeV}$ @95% CL for any BR
- Electroweak fits to all high Q^2 measurements give:
 - $M_H = 98^{+52}_{-36} \text{ GeV}$ (old top mass)
 - $M_H < 186 \text{ GeV}$ @ 95% CL (new top mass)
- Tevatron searches → negative so far

Probably the most wanted particle in HEP
Discover ... or prove that it does not exist

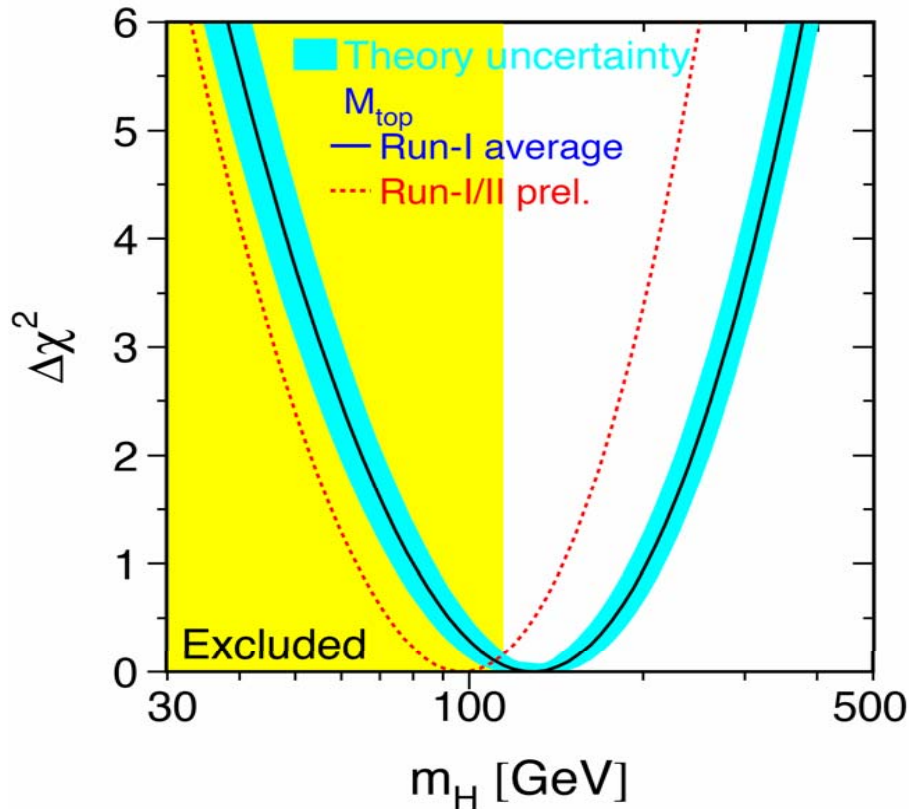
Experiment

Indirect constraints from precision EW data :

$M_H < 260$ GeV at 95 %CL (2004)

$M_H < 186$ GeV with Run-I/II prelim. (2005)

Direct limit from LEP2: $M_H > 114.4$ GeV

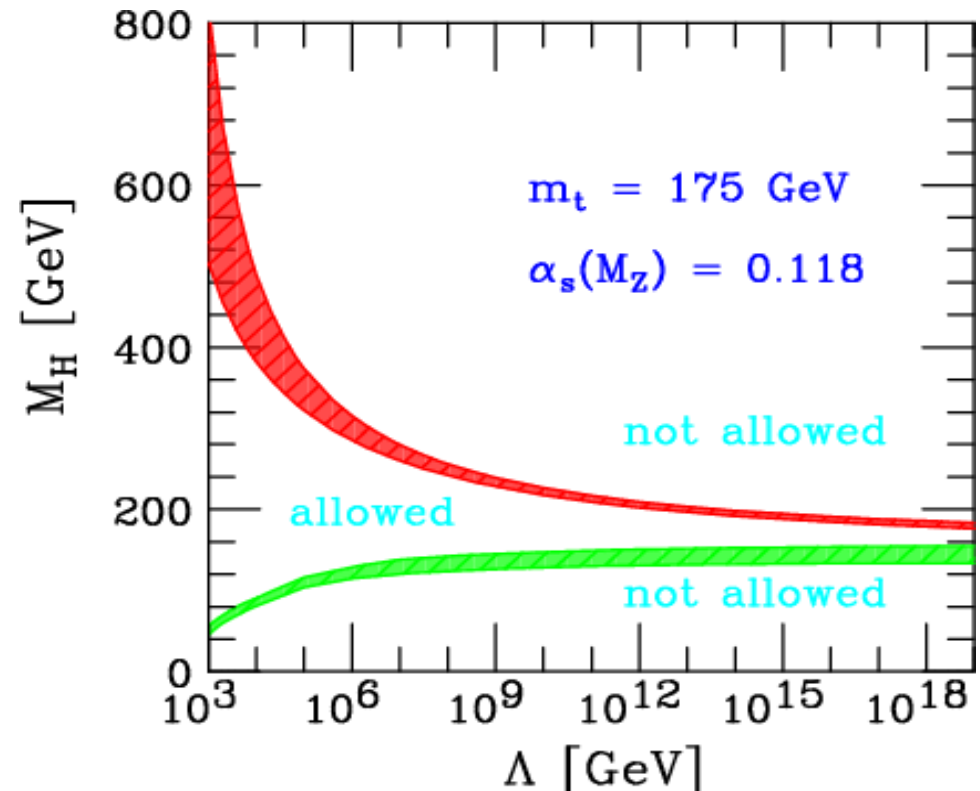


SM theory

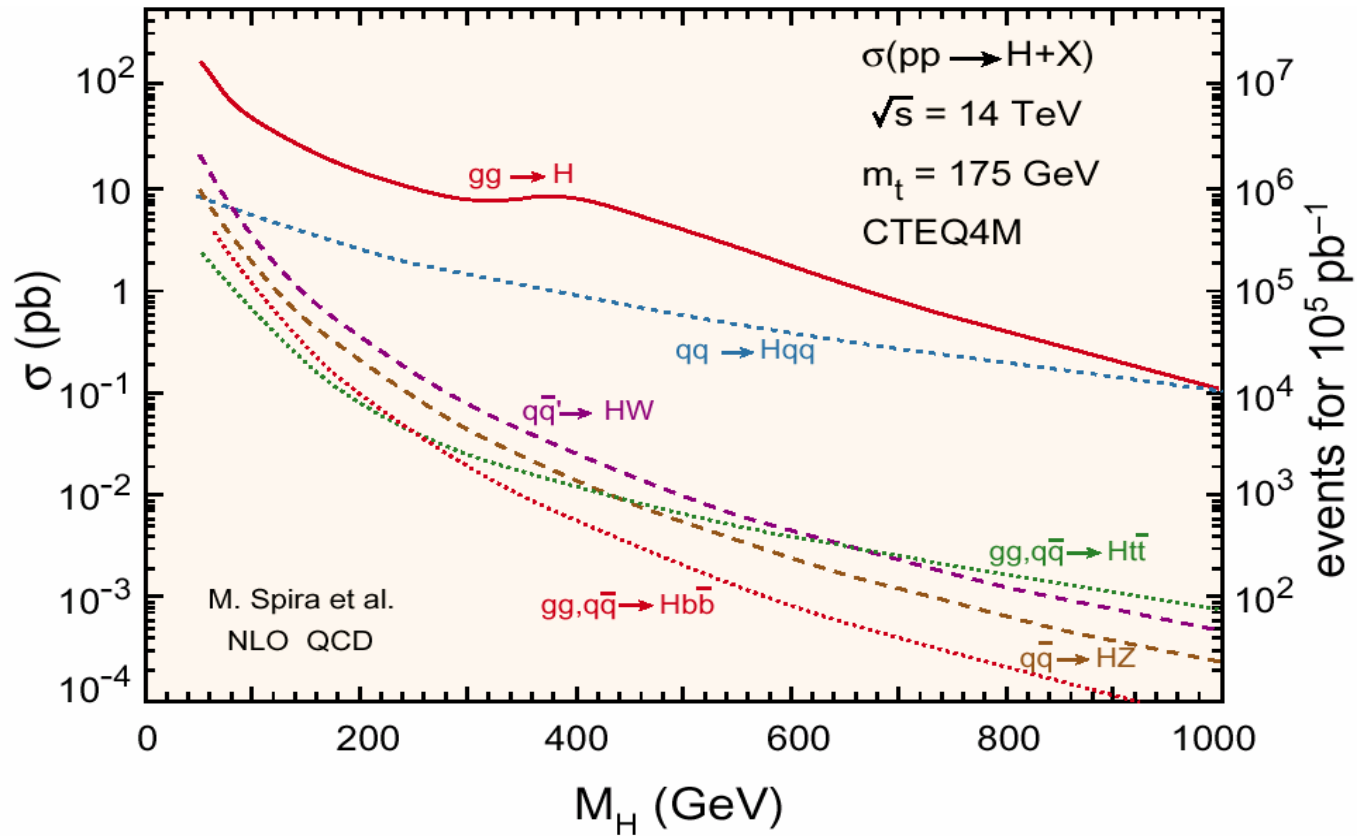
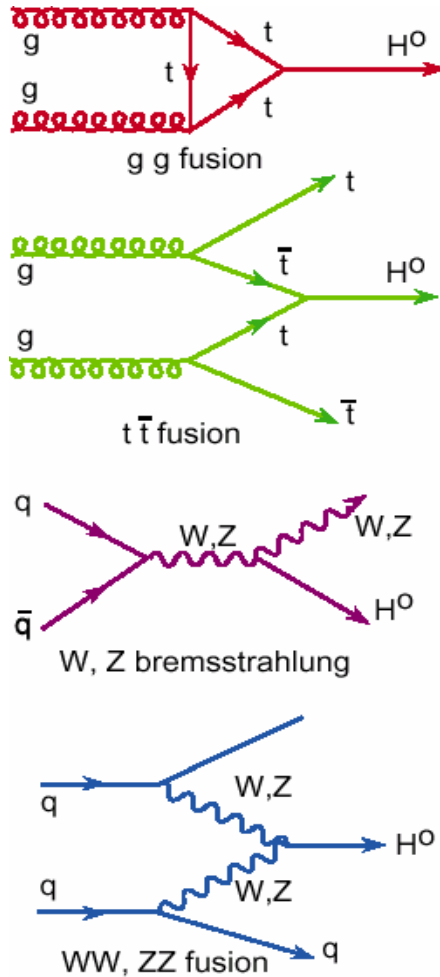
The triviality (upper) bound and vacuum stability (lower) bound as function of the cut-off scale Λ

“triviality” :

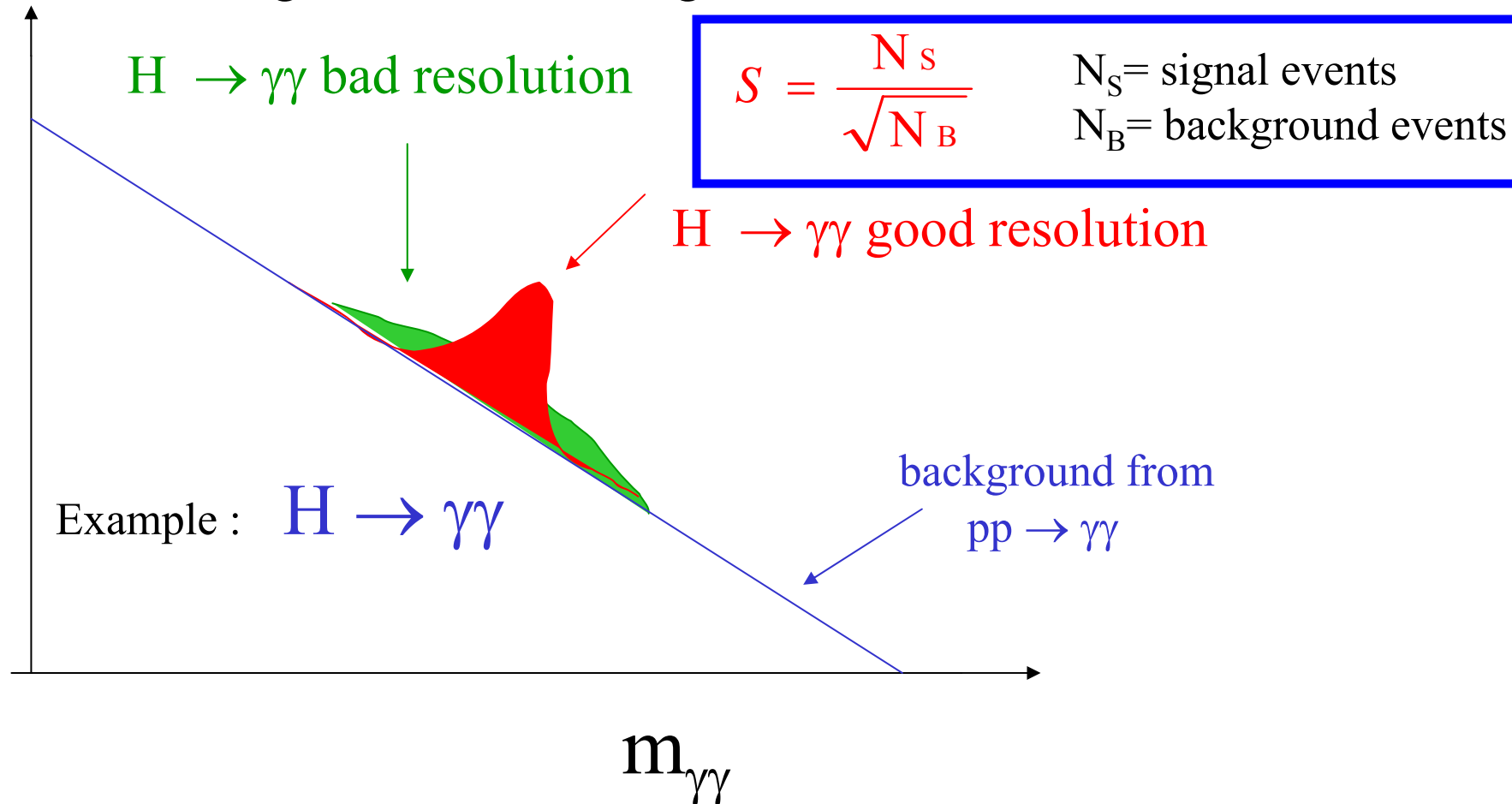
Higgs self-coupling remains finite



Production mechanisms & cross section



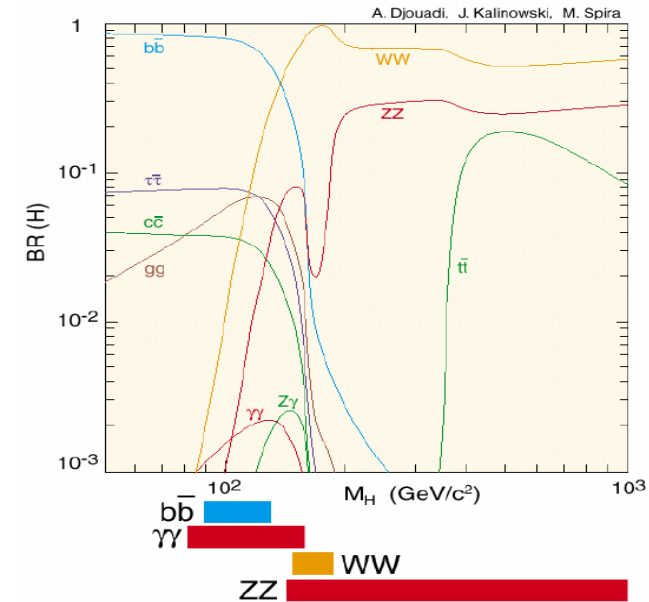
- **Excellent energy resolution** of EM calorimeters for e/γ and of the tracking devices for μ in order to extract a signal over the backgrounds.



Low mass $M_H \lesssim 200$ GeV

M. pieri

Production	Inclusive	VBF	WH/ZH	$t\bar{t}H$
DECAY				
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	YES	YES	YES	YES
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$			YES	YES
$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$		YES		
$H \rightarrow WW^*$	YES	YES	YES	
$H \rightarrow ZZ^*, Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-, \ell=e,\mu$	YES			
$H \rightarrow Z\gamma, Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-, \ell=e,\mu$	very low σ			



Intermediate mass
($200 \text{ GeV} \lesssim M_H \lesssim 700 \text{ GeV}$)

inclusive $H \rightarrow WW$
inclusive $H \rightarrow ZZ$

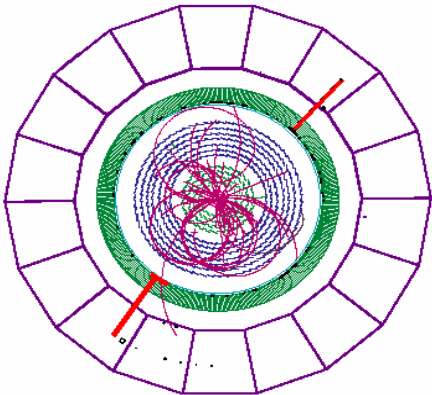
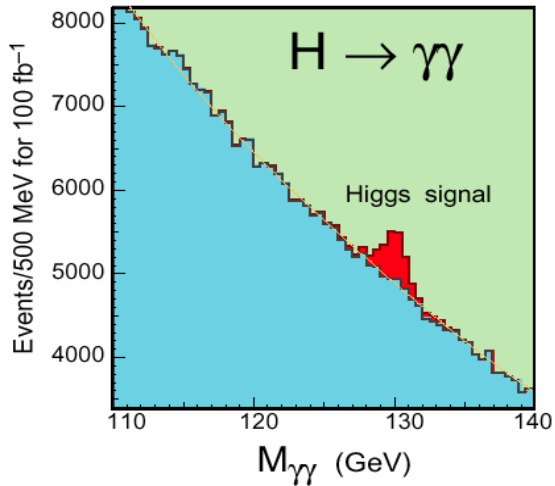
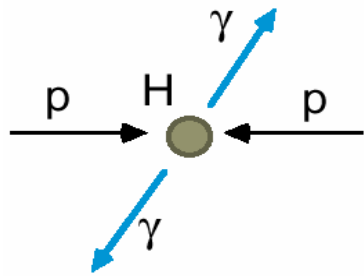
High mass ($M_H \gtrsim 700 \text{ GeV}$)

VBF $qqH \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \ell\ell\nu\nu$
VBF $qqH \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell\nu jj$

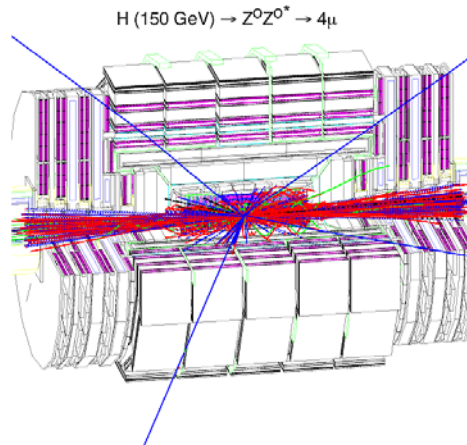
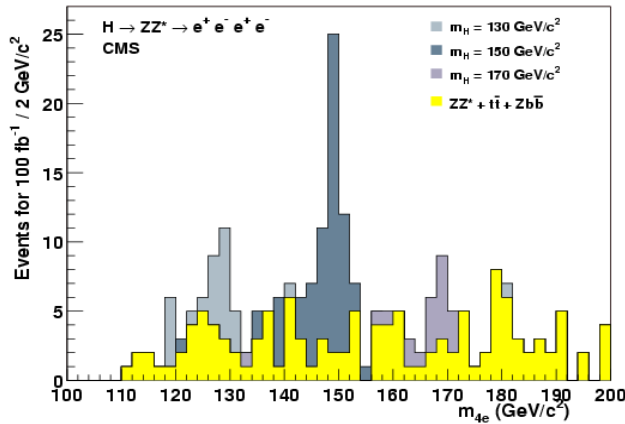
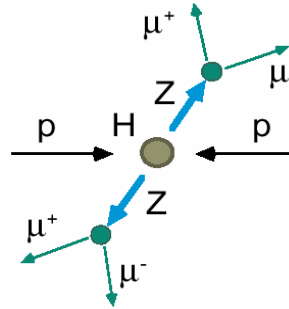
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ are the only channels with a very good mass resolution $\sim 1\%$

Examples

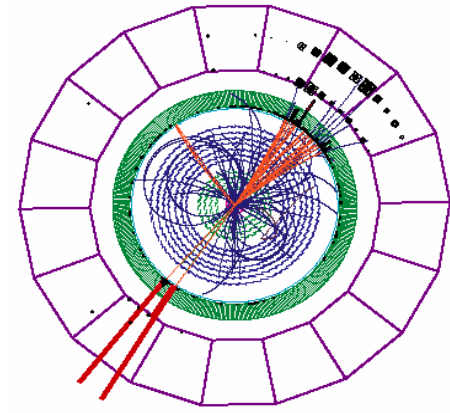
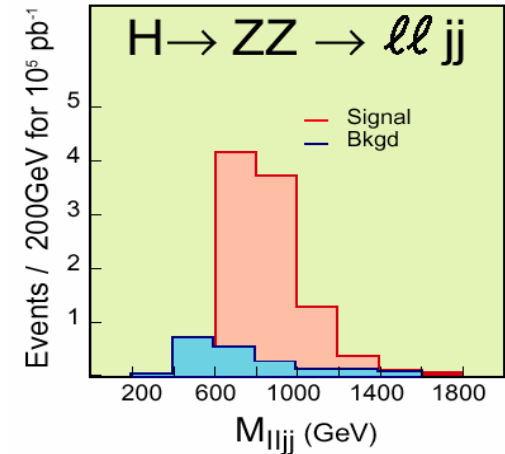
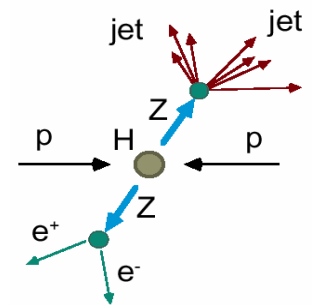
Low $M_H < 140 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



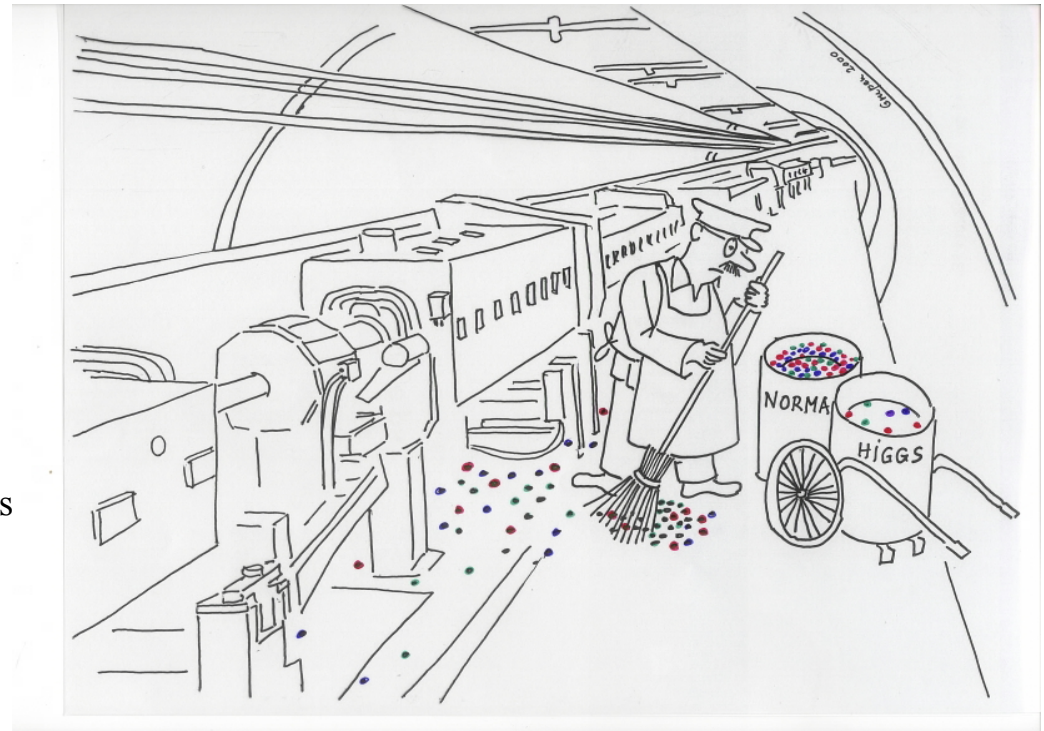
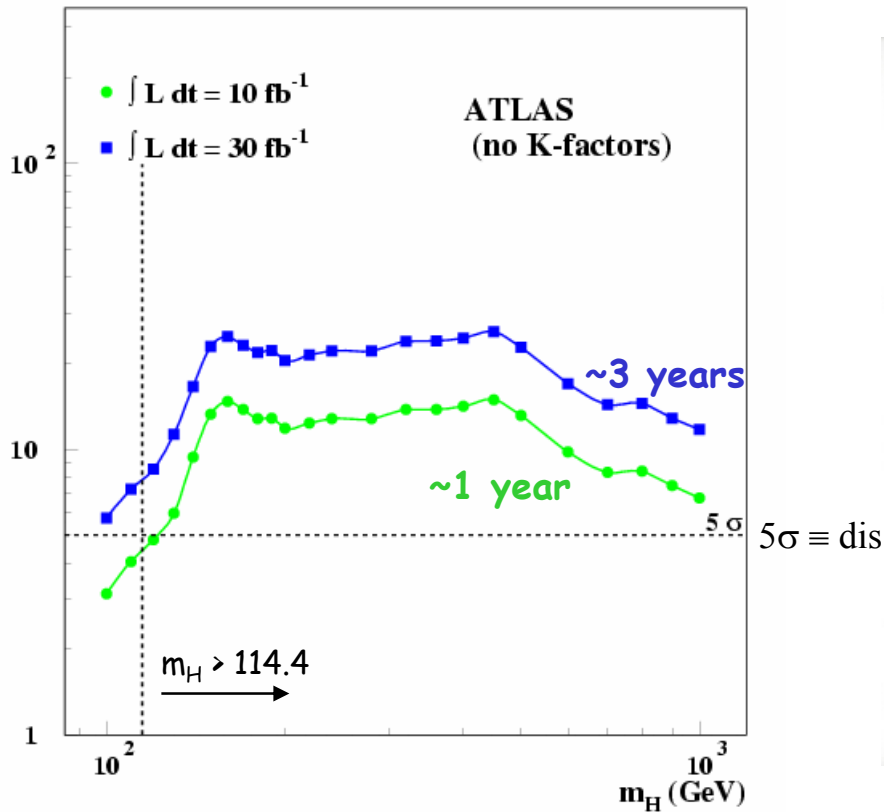
Medium $130 < M_H < 500 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



High $M_H > \sim 500 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



Signal significance



- Higgs can be discovered over full allowed mass range in 1 year of good LHC operation
→ final word about SM Higgs mechanism by 2009 or so
- However: it will take time to understand and calibrate ATLAS and CMS ...
- In most difficult region $m_H < 130 \text{ GeV}$ ≥ 3 different channels observable → robustness

What can the LHC do?

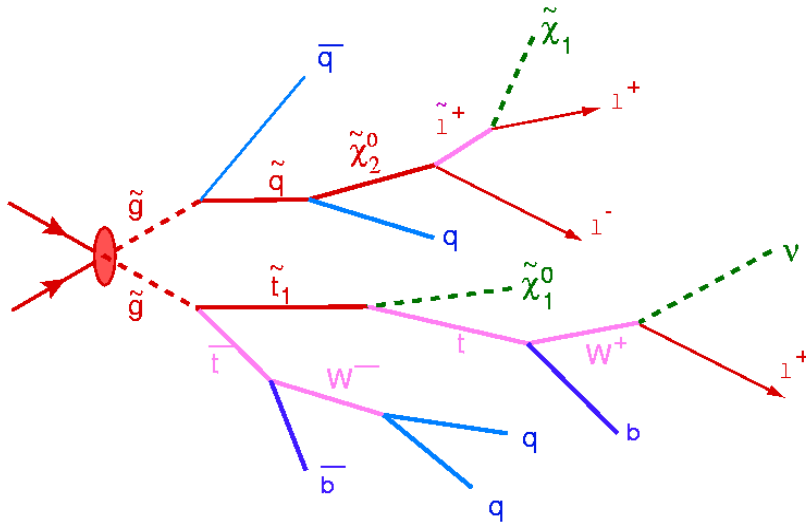
- LHC will discover the SM Higgs in the full region up to 1 TeV or exclude its existence. If no Higgs, other new phenomena in the WW should be observed around 1 TeV
- The LHC will measure with full luminosity (100 fb^{-1})
 - The Higgs mass with 0.1-1% precision
 - The Higgs width, for $m_H > 200 \text{ GeV}$, with $\sim 5-8\%$ precision
 - Cross sections \times branching ratios with 5-20% precision
 - Ratios of couplings with 10-30% precision
 - Absolute couplings only with additional assumptions
 - Spin information in the ZZ channel for $m_H > 200 \text{ GeV}$
 - CP information from exclusive central production:
 $pp \rightarrow pHp$

.. \Rightarrow will get a pretty good picture of the Higgs @ LHC
More detailed information at an ILC

3. Beyond the SM

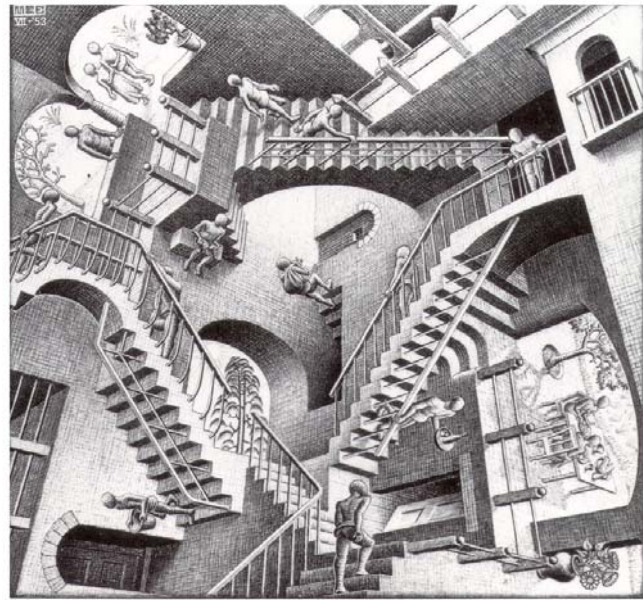
New physics expected around the TeV scale \Rightarrow
 Stabelize Higgs mass, Hierarchy problem, Unification of gauge couplings, CDM, ...

Supersymmetry



- 3 isolated leptons
 - + 2 b-jets
 - + 4 jets
 - + E_t^{miss}
- LEP physics

Extra dimensions



+ ...

Is the Standard Model the Ultimate Theory?

- The Standard Model agrees with all data so far (to 10^{-3}) but
- it tells us **how** but not **why** (contains 19 parameters!)
 - 3 flavour families? Mass spectra? Hierarchy?
 - it can get **unstable** if extrapolated to very high energies
 - Needs fine tuning of parameters to level of 10^{-30} !
 - it has no connection with gravity
 - no unification of the forces at high energy

Most popular extensions these days (2002)

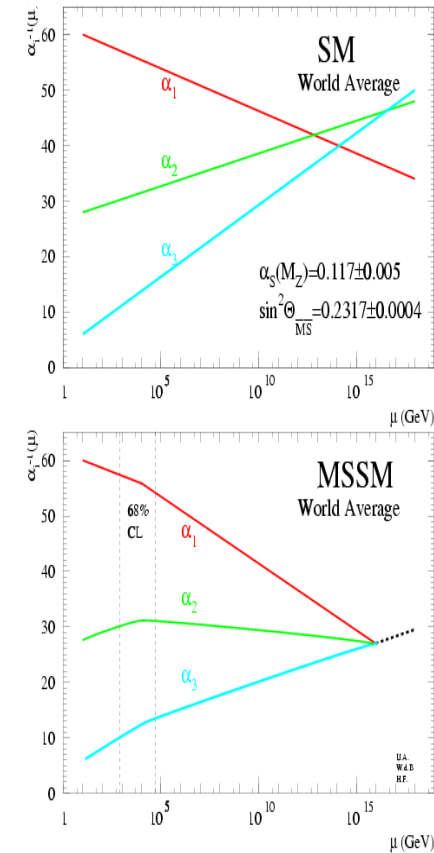
If a Higgs field exists:

- **Supersymmetry**
- **Extra space dimensions**

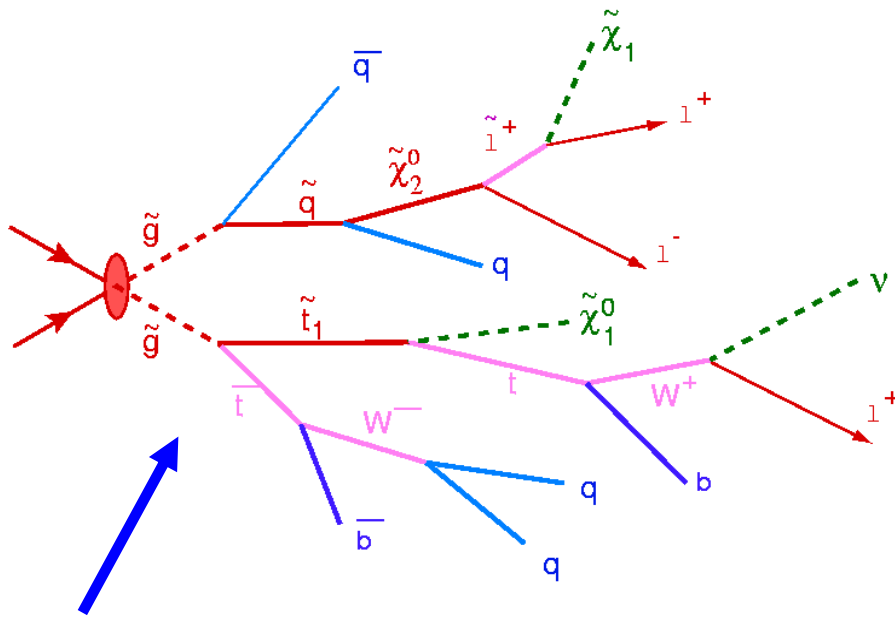
If there is no Higgs below ~ 700 GeV

- **Strong electroweak symmetry breaking around 1 TeV** (technicolor, strong WW scattering)

Other ideas: more gauge bosons/quark & lepton substructure



⇒ Lots of new particles (**squarks, sleptons, ...**) predicted with masses in the range from 10's of GeV's up to several TeV range

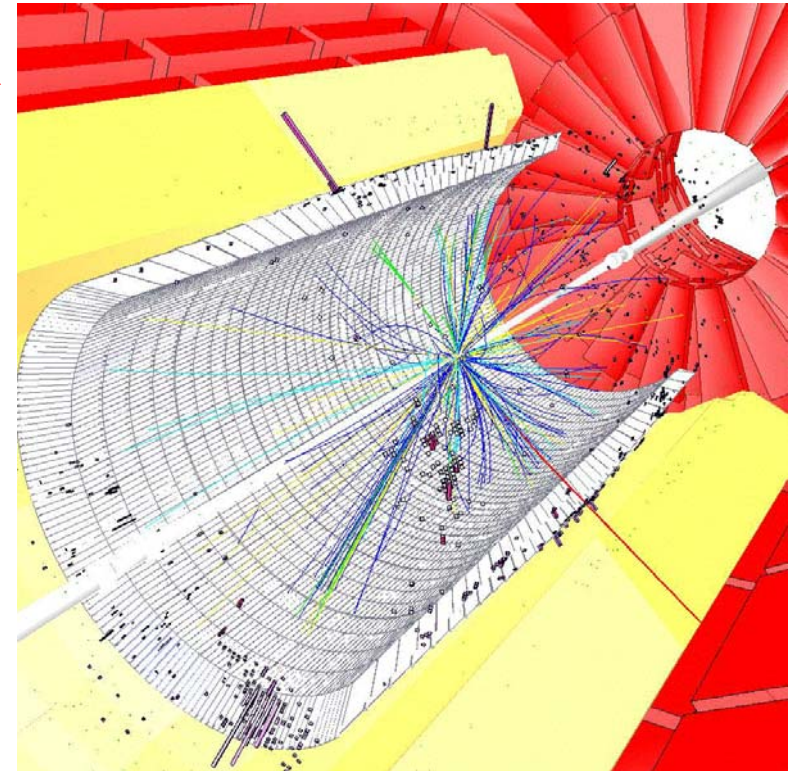
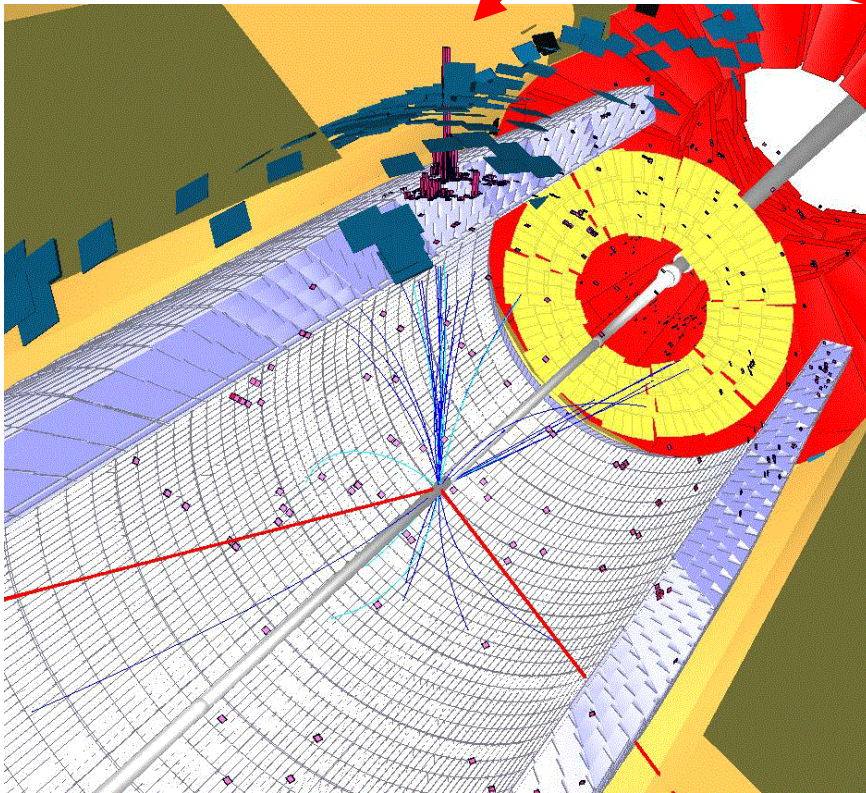


3 isolated leptons
 + 2 b-jets
 + 4 jets
 + E_t^{miss}

FERMIONS	SUSY PARTNER (SCALARS)
LEPTONS	
e	Selectron \tilde{e}
μ	Smuon $\tilde{\mu}$
τ	Stau $\tilde{\tau}$
ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ	Sneutrinos $\tilde{\nu}_e, \tilde{\nu}_\mu, \tilde{\nu}_\tau$
QUARKS	
u, c, t	Squarks $\tilde{u}, \tilde{c}, \tilde{t}$
d, s, b	$\tilde{d}, \tilde{s}, \tilde{b}$
GAUGE PARTICLES (BOSONS)	SUSY PARTNER (FERMIONS)
W^\pm, H^\pm	Charginos $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_2^\pm$
$\gamma, Z^0, h^0, H^0, A^0$	Neutralinos $\tilde{\chi}_1^0, \tilde{\chi}_2^0, \tilde{\chi}_3^0, \tilde{\chi}_4^0$
g_i	Gluginos \tilde{g}_i
Graviton G	Gravitino \tilde{G}

Lightest SUSY particle stable: dark matter candidate ?

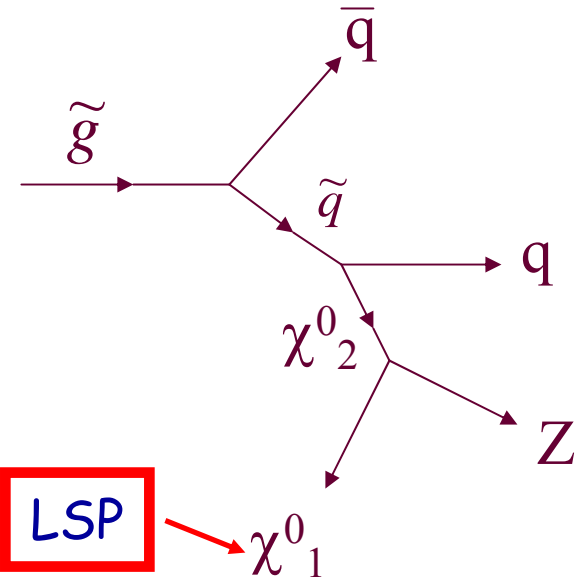
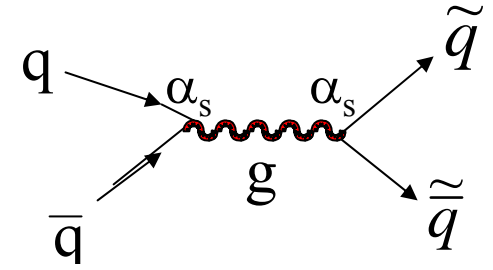
SUSY events (LM4 point: leptons,
missing E_T)



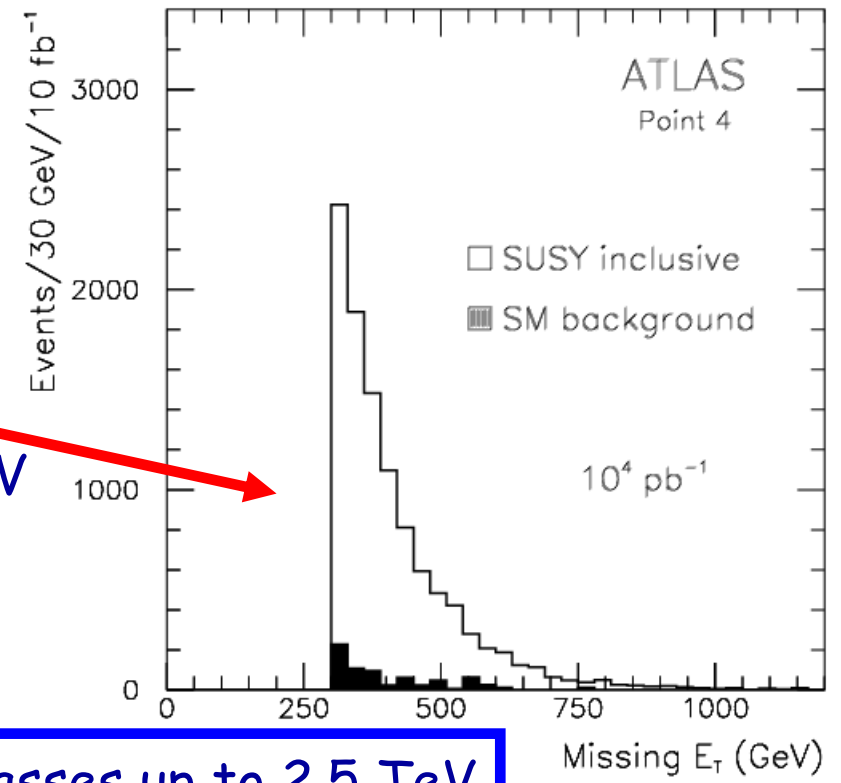
Samples of "standard sets" of events now
automatically produced for each new release

Squarks and gluinos are produced via strong processes:
!Large cross sections!

Complicated decay chains: many jets and missing energy from the lightest stable SUSY particle (LSP)



E.G. 900 GeV
squarks
 $E_{\tau}^{\text{miss}} > 300 \text{ GeV}$
+ 4 jets



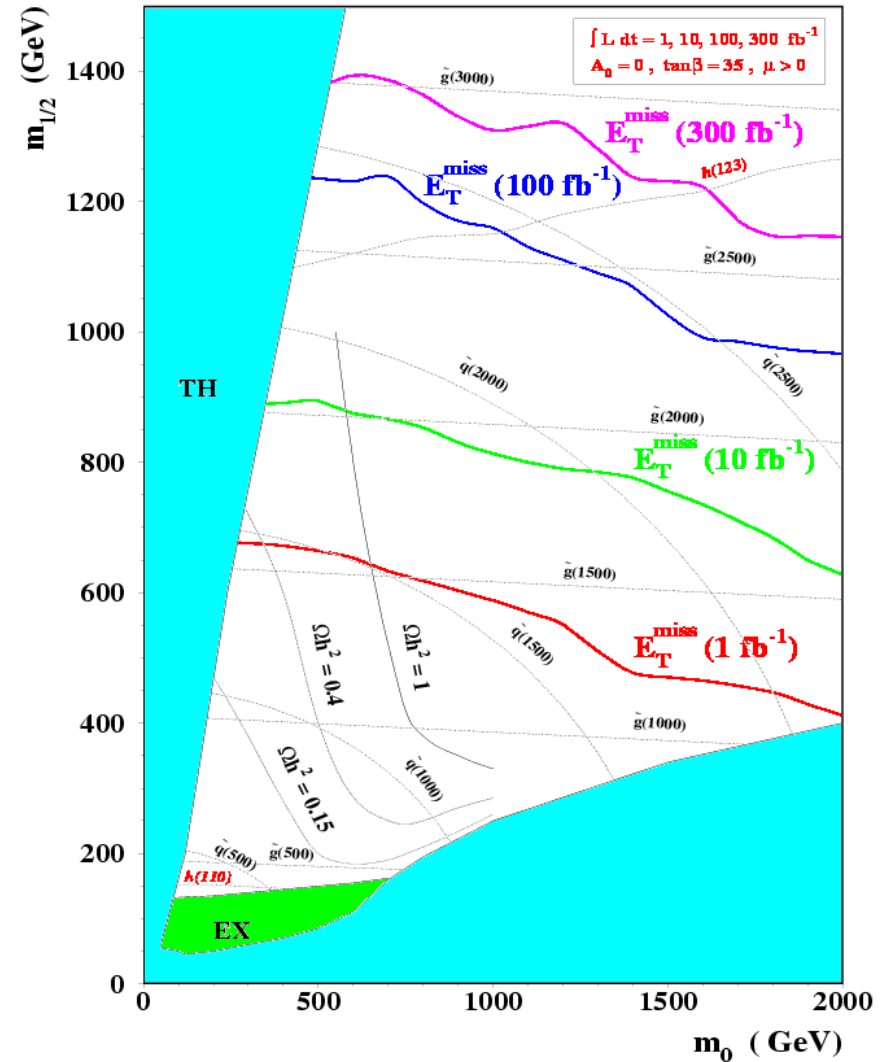
Discover/exclude squarks and gluinos for masses up to 2.5 TeV

LHC = a SUSY factory

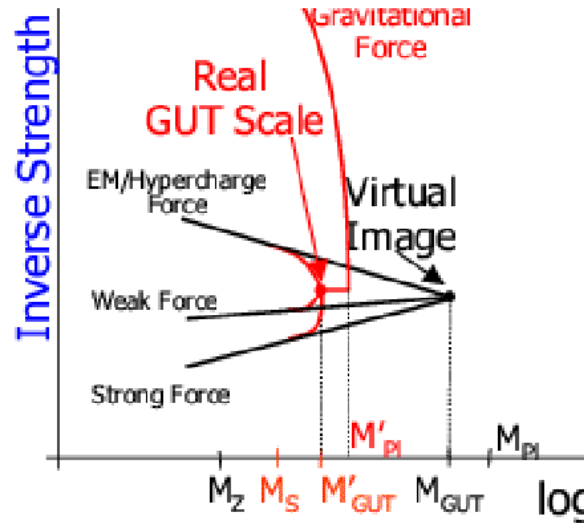
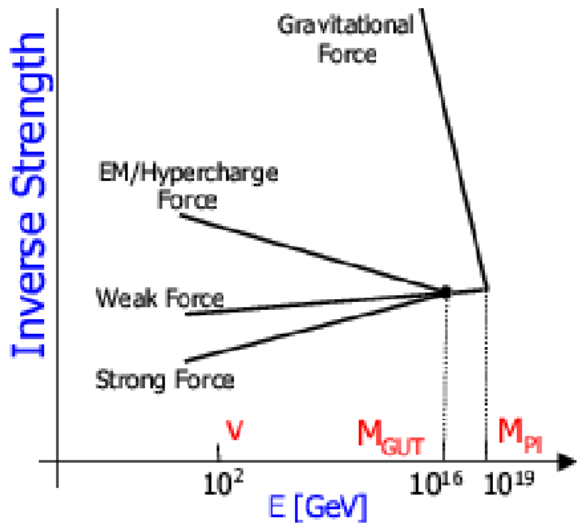
$M_{sp}(\text{GeV})$	$\sigma(\text{pb})$	Evts/yr
500	100	$10^6 - 10^7$
1000	1	$10^4 - 10^5$
2000	0.01	$10^2 - 10^3$

Universal gaugino mass at GUT scale

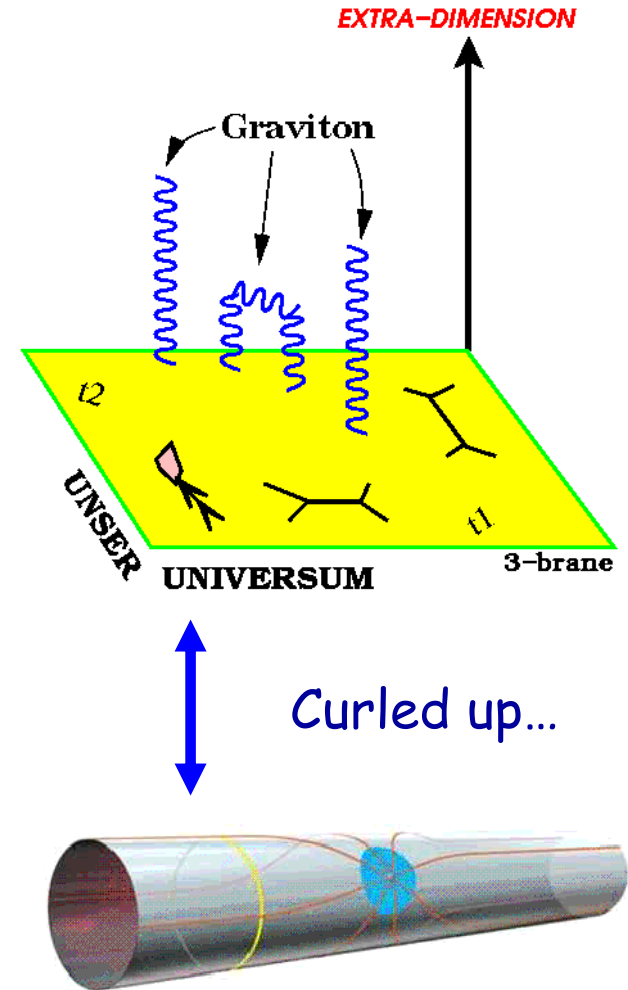
Universal scalar mass at GUT scale



Assume that gravity can propagate in extra dimensions of size R
 Newton's law changes from $F \sim 1/R^2 \rightarrow 1/R^{n+2}$
 Gravity gets stronger
 Effective Planck Scale: $M_S^{n+2} \sim M_{pl}^2 / (R)^n$



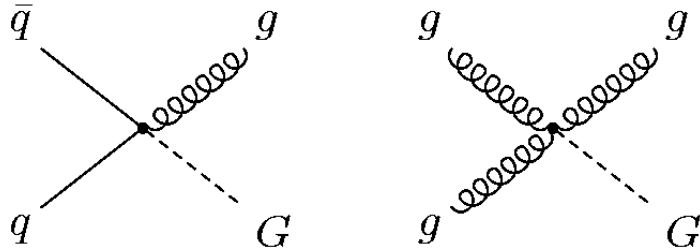
$\Rightarrow M_S$ could be of $O(1)$ TeV



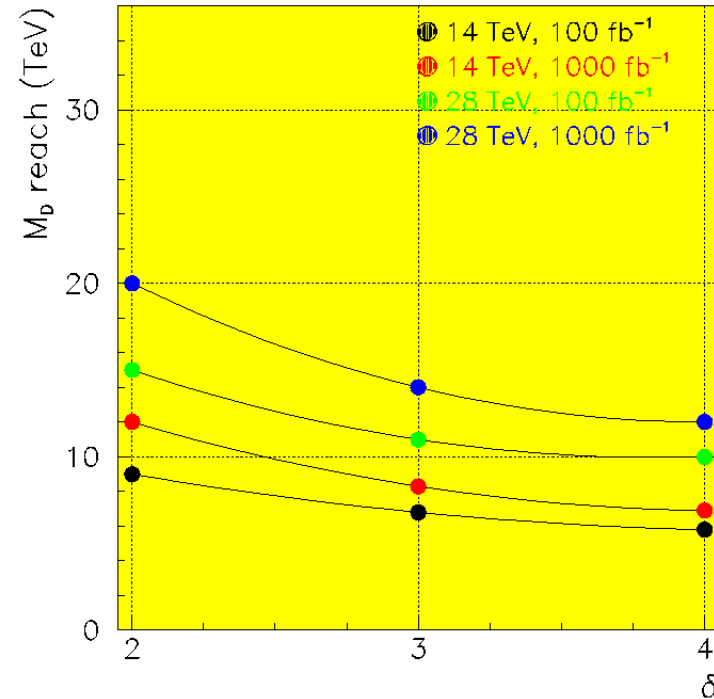
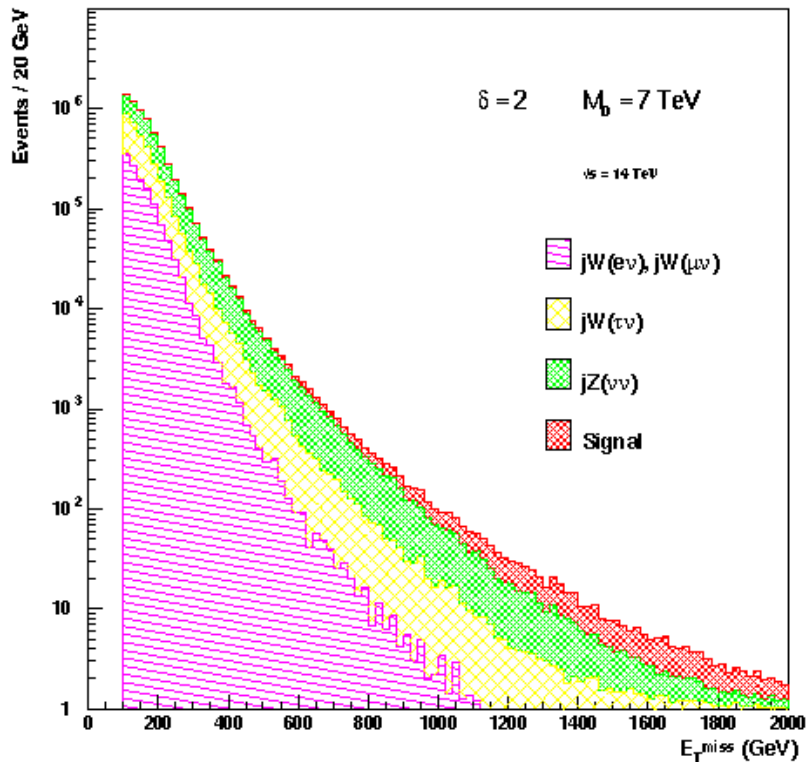
Many different models...

Planck scale \sim TeV range

Graviton production!
Graviton escapes detection



Signal: single jet + large missing ET



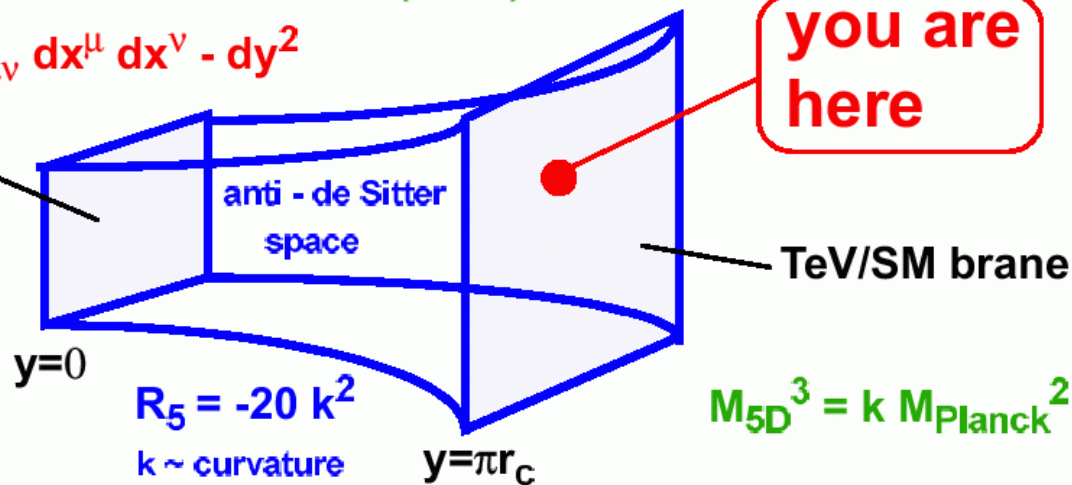
Other ED models lead to other signals (e.g. heavy resonances)

Curved Space: RS Extra Dimensions

Randall, Sundrum, PRL 83, 3370 (1999)

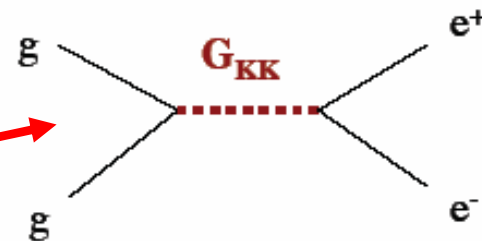
$$ds^2 = e^{-2k|y|} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dy^2$$

Planck brane

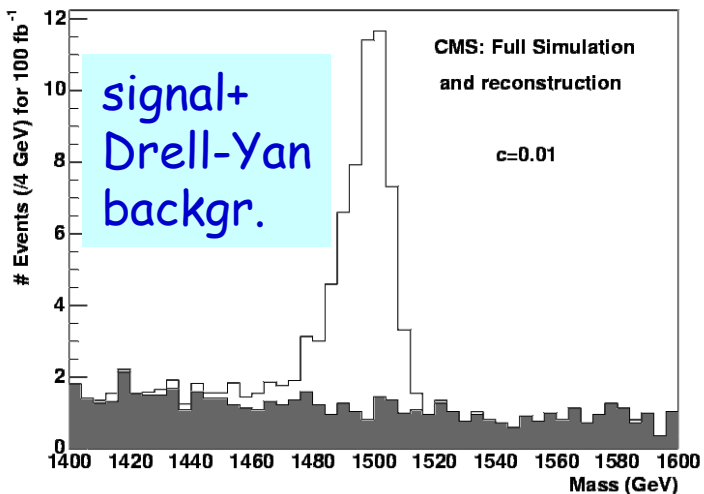


Study the channel $pp \rightarrow \text{Graviton} \rightarrow e^+e^-$

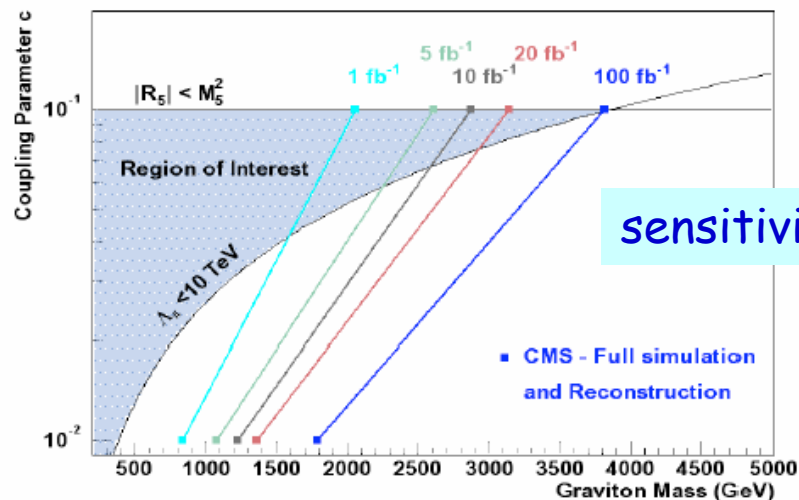
phenomenology



Randall Sundrum Graviton: $G \rightarrow ee$

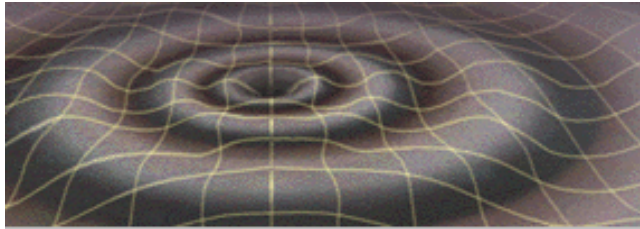


Discovery Limit of Randall-Sundrum Graviton: $G \rightarrow ee$



A bit of fun: Black Holes in General Relativity

Black Holes are a direct prediction of Einstein's general theory on relativity (though never quite accepted by Einstein)



Schwarzschild Radius:

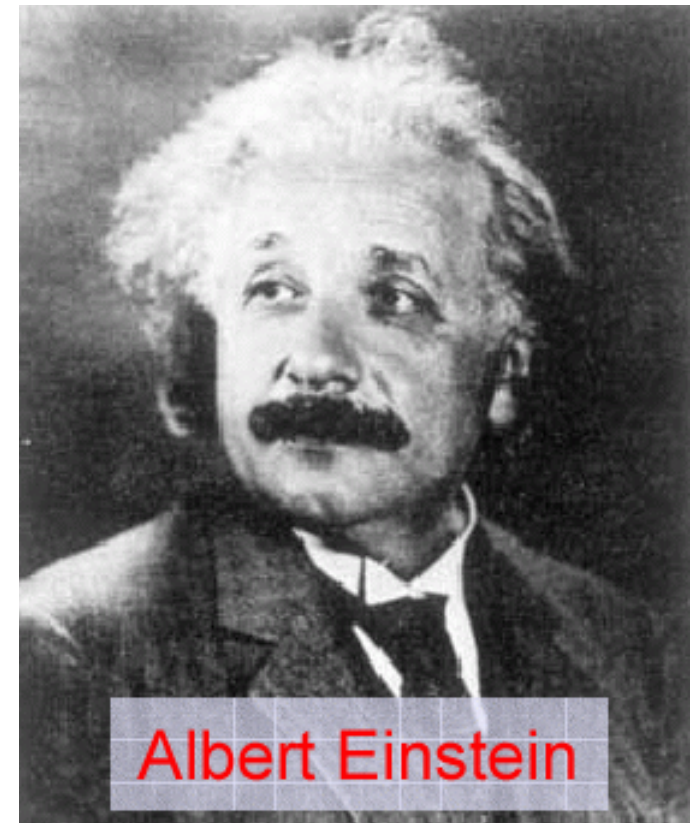
within which nothing escapes gravitational force
If the radius of an object is less than R_s a black hole is formed

$$R_s \equiv 2MG/c^2$$

with $G = 1/(M_{\text{Planck}})^2$

Smallest scale: Planck Length (10^{-35} m)

Need to squeeze 10^{19} GeV in such small area!!



Albert Einstein

No chance to produce a black hole in the lab if gravity remains weak

What if Planck Scale in TeV Range?

Schwarzschild radius

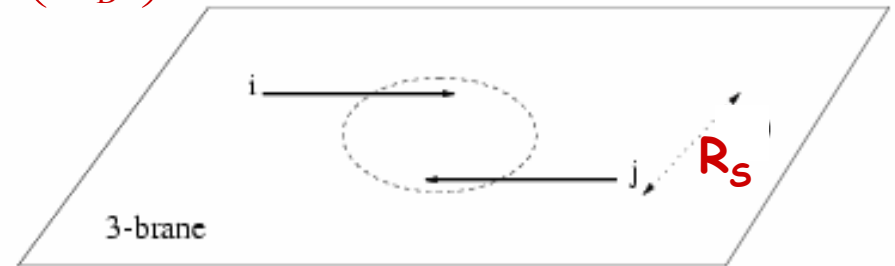
4-dim., $M_{\text{gravity}} = M_{\text{Planck}}$ $R_S \sim \frac{2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{c^2}$

4 + n-dim., $M_{\text{gravity}} = M_D \sim \text{TeV}$ $R_S \sim \frac{1}{M_D} \left(\frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{M_D} \right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$

$R_S \rightarrow \ll 10^{-35} \text{ m}$

$R_S \rightarrow \sim 10^{-19} \text{ m}$

Since M_D is low, tiny black holes of $M_{\text{BH}} \sim \text{TeV}$ can be produced if partons ij with $\sqrt{s_{ij}} = M_{\text{BH}}$ pass at a distance smaller than R_S



- Large partonic cross-section: $\sigma(ij \rightarrow \text{BH}) \sim \pi R_S^2$
- $\sigma(pp \rightarrow \text{BH})$ is in the range of 1 nb - 1 fb

e.g. For $M_D \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ and $n=3$, produce 1 event/second at the LHC

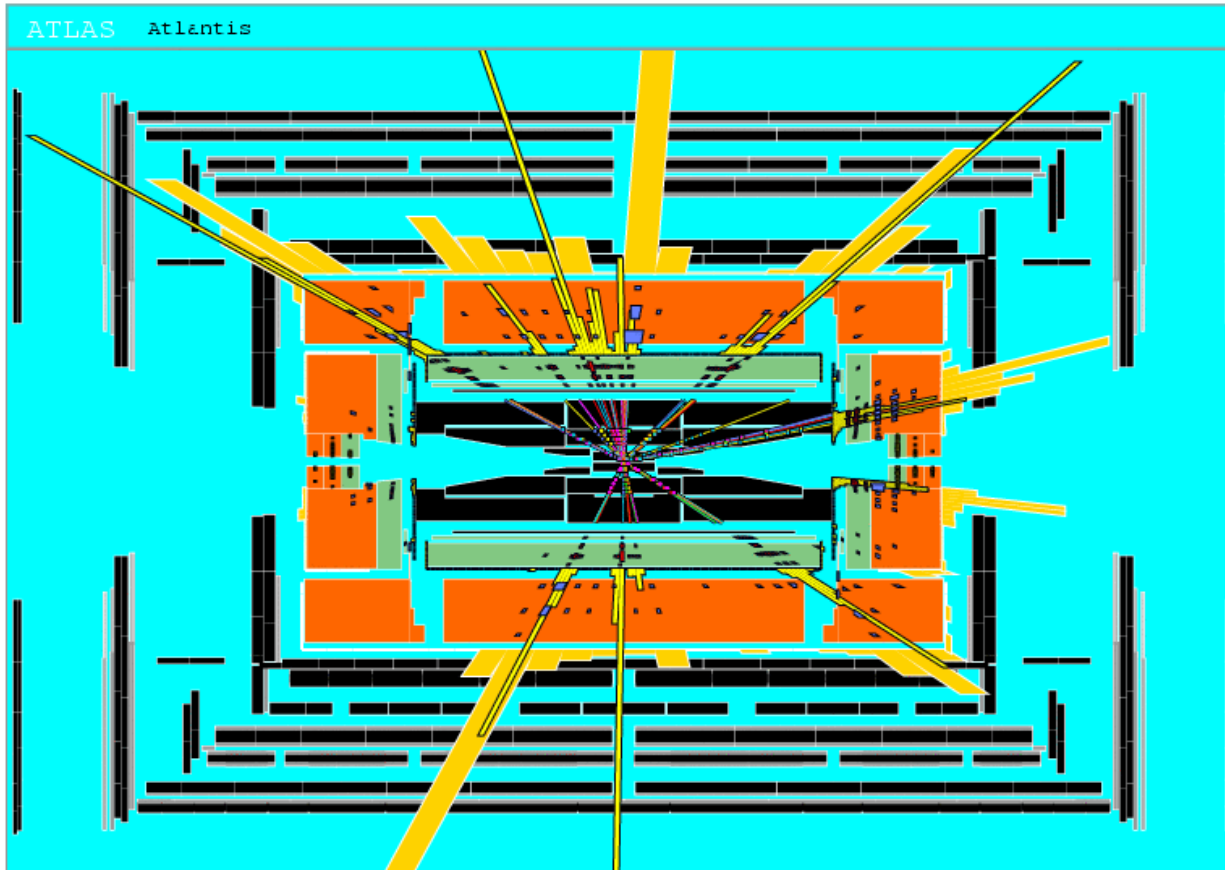
- Black holes decay immediately by Hawking radiation (democratic evaporation):
 - large multiplicity
 - small missing E
 - jets/leptons ~ 5

expected signature (quite spectacular ...)

Black Holes production

If the Planck scale is in \sim TeV region: can expect Black Hole production

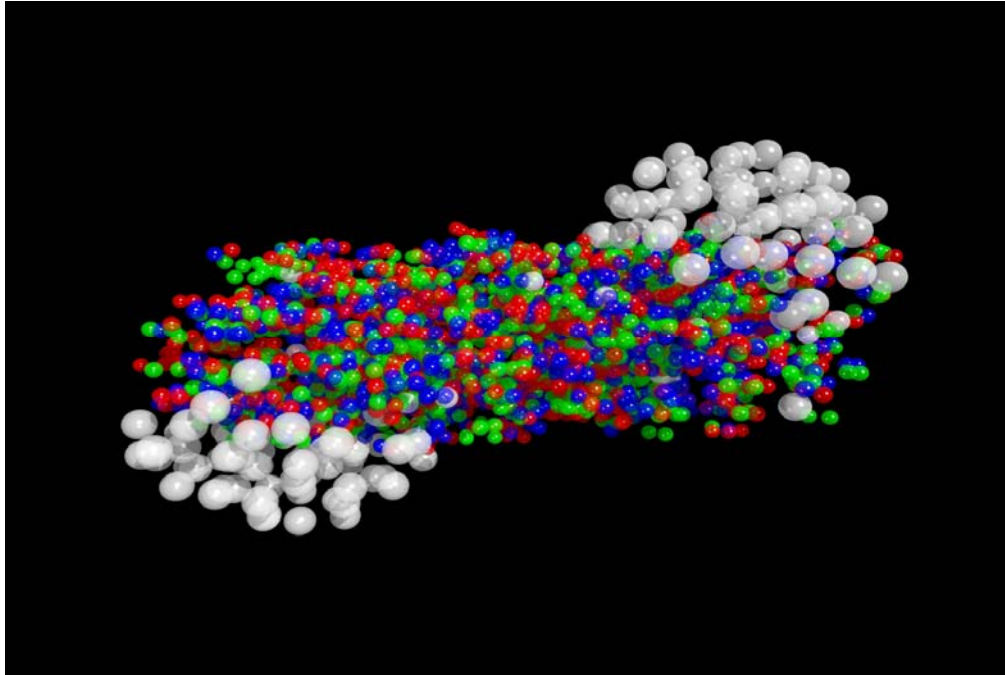
Simulation of a black hole event with $M_{\text{BH}} \sim 8$ TeV in ATLAS $M_{\text{D}} \sim 1$ TeV
 $n=6$



\sim Spherical events
Many high energy jets
leptons, photons etc.

Ecological comment:
BH's will decay within
 10^{-27} secs or so

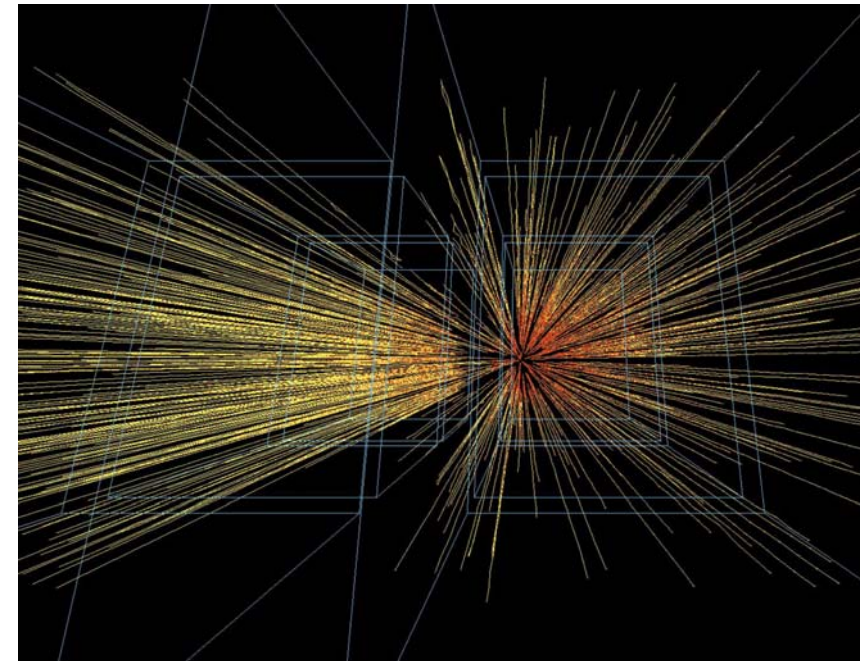
Detectors, electronics
(and rest of the world)
are safe!!



Search for a new state of matter: **quark gluon plasma**

At LHC: ALICE & CMS (& ATLAS?)

10000-50000 particles

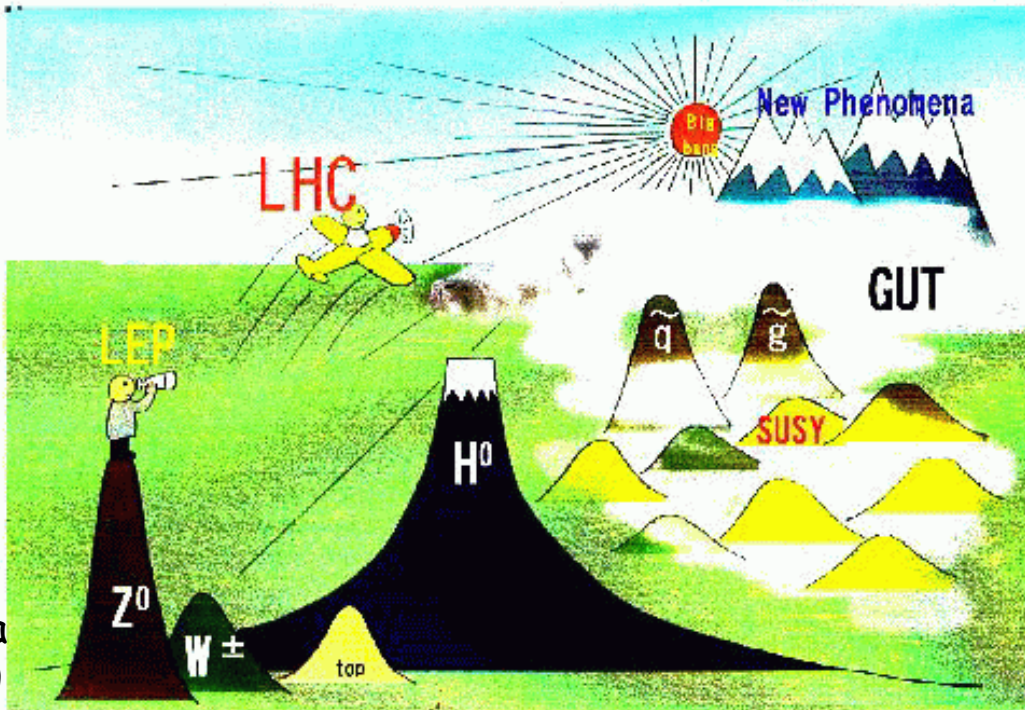


Some evidence from CERN fixed target and RHIC experiments (J/ ψ suppression, strangeness production, low mass e^+e^- pairs...)

Exciting times ahead!

The LHC is expected to bring us over the mountains in the land of new phenomena.

With its data we expect to understand better **why** Nature is the way it is



We look forward to the startup in **2007**