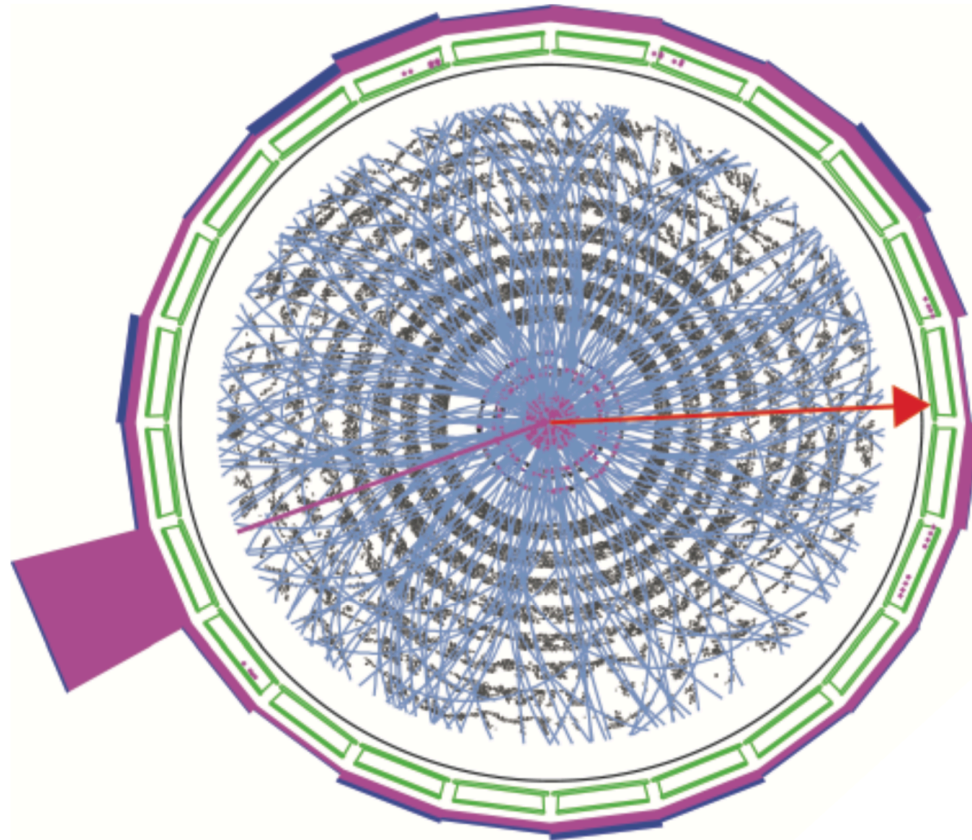


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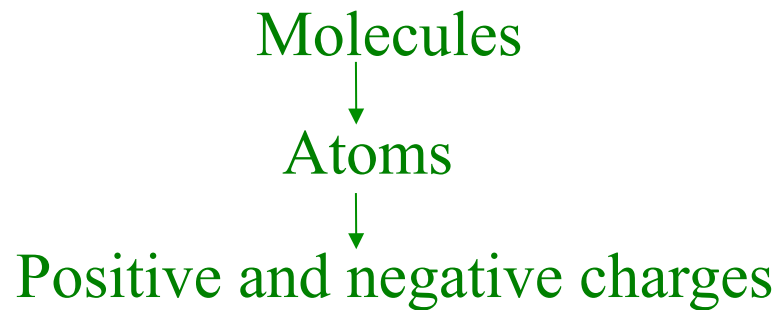


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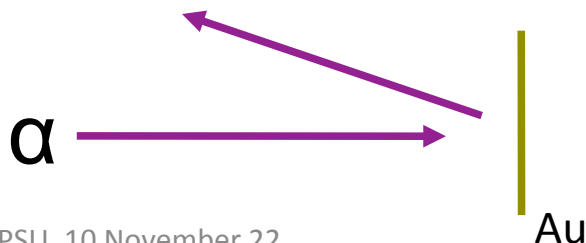
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# Origin of Particle Physics

- Search for the constituents of matter has been one of the central themes of physics
- Aristotle's “elements” → earth, air, fire & water
- Chemists understood that molecules were the units carrying chemical properties of materials

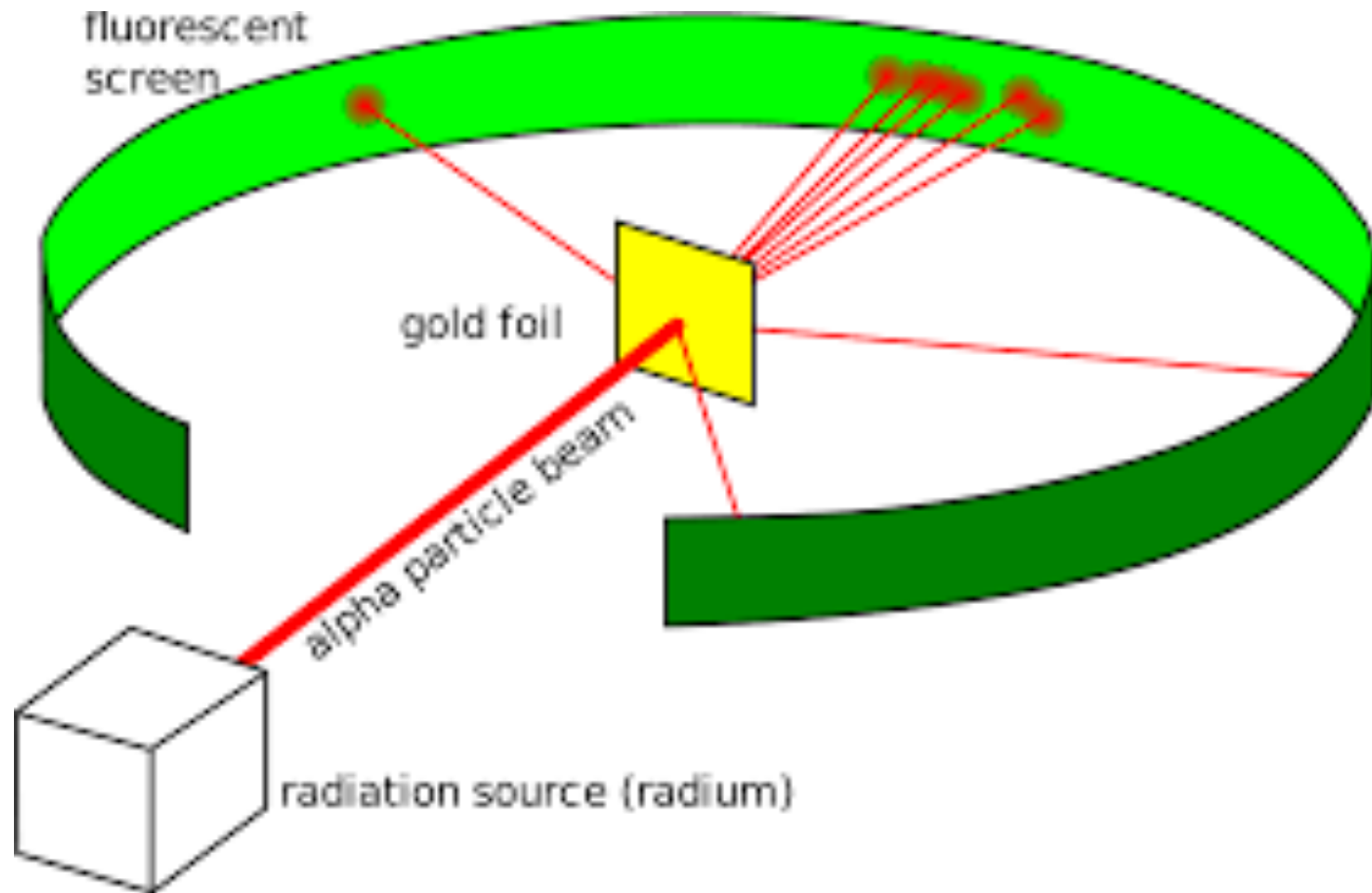


- Ernest Rutherford: scattering of probe particles off matter as a means of investigating substructure



Scattering at large angle  
due to small, heavy  
charged core: **atomic nucleus**

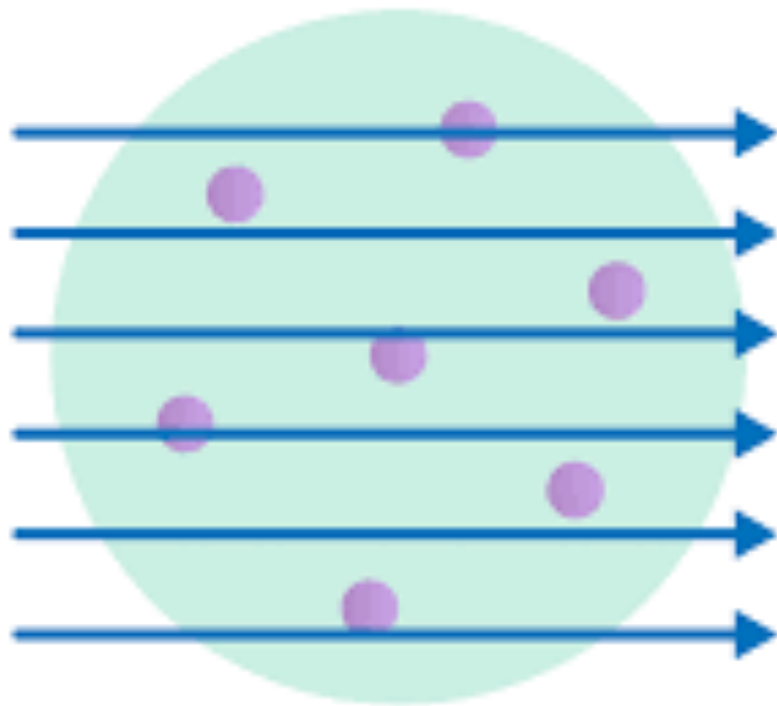
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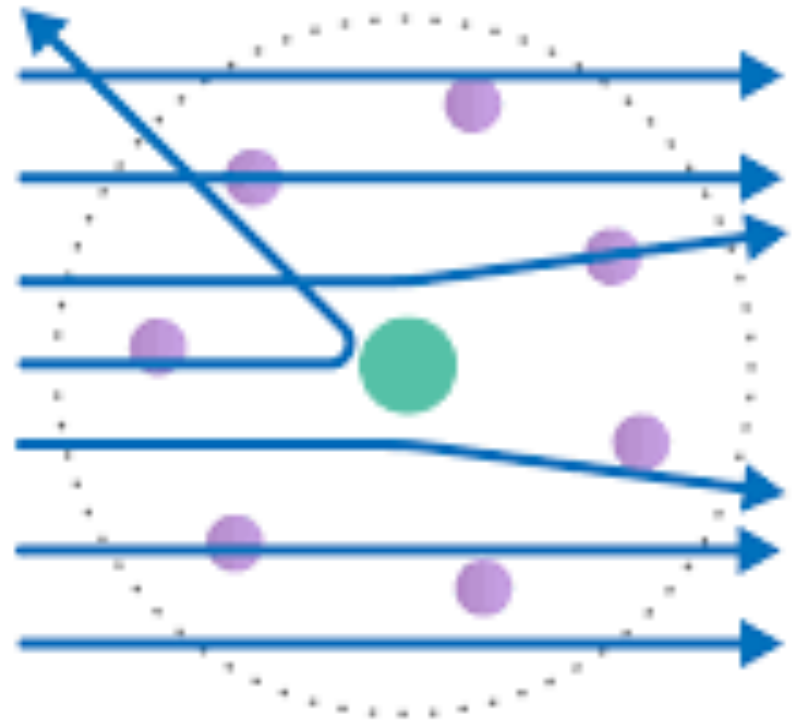
Rutherford's scattering experiment of 1911

# Origin of Particle Physics

THOMSON MODEL



RUTHERFORD MODEL



# From Atoms to Quarks

- Technique of scattering exploited repeatedly with beams of higher energy to probe smaller distances

$$\Delta r \sim \hbar c / \Delta E$$

r

Energy

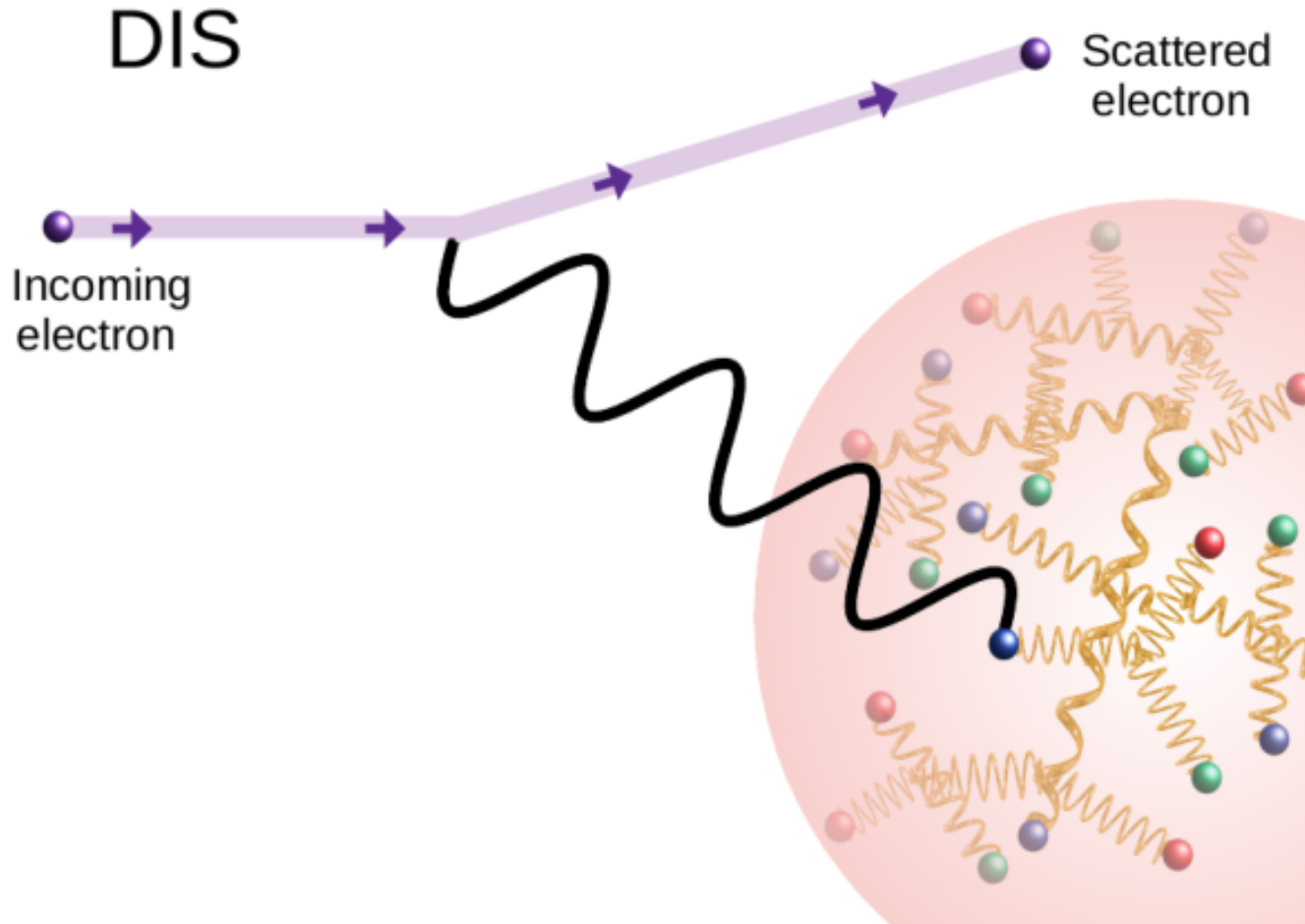
Atom	$10^{-10}$ m	10 electron-Volts (eV)
↓		
Nucleus	$10^{-15}$ m	$10^6$ eV (MeV)
↓		
Proton, neutron	$10^{-18}$ m	1000 MeV (GeV)
↓		
'partons'	$<10^{-18}$ m	$>$ GeV

- Scattering of electrons at high energy (early 1970's at Stanford Linear Accelerator Center) provided evidence of nucleon constituents: **quarks**
- Many particles explained as different combinations of few quarks

# Pauli, Heisenberg and Fermi



# From Atoms to Quarks

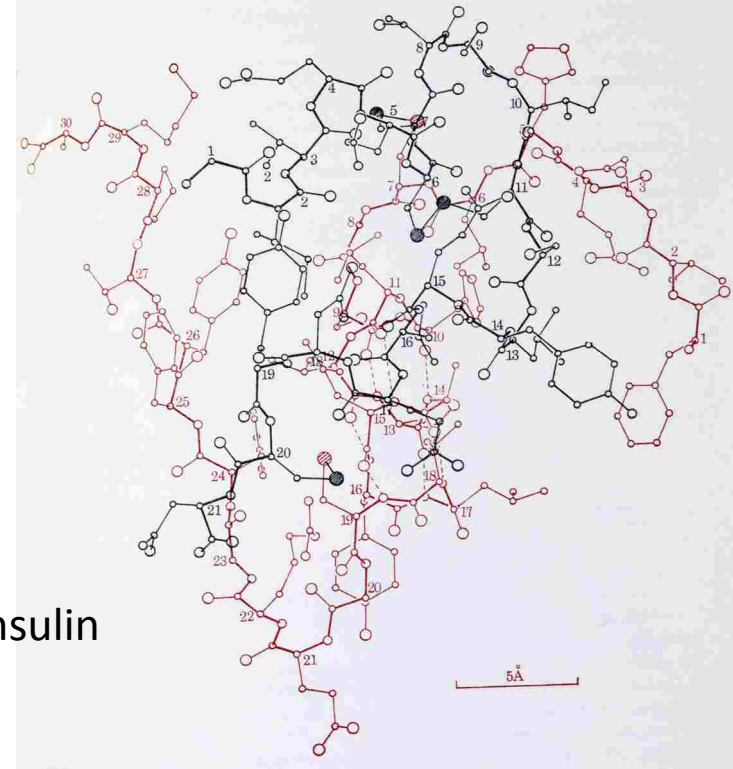
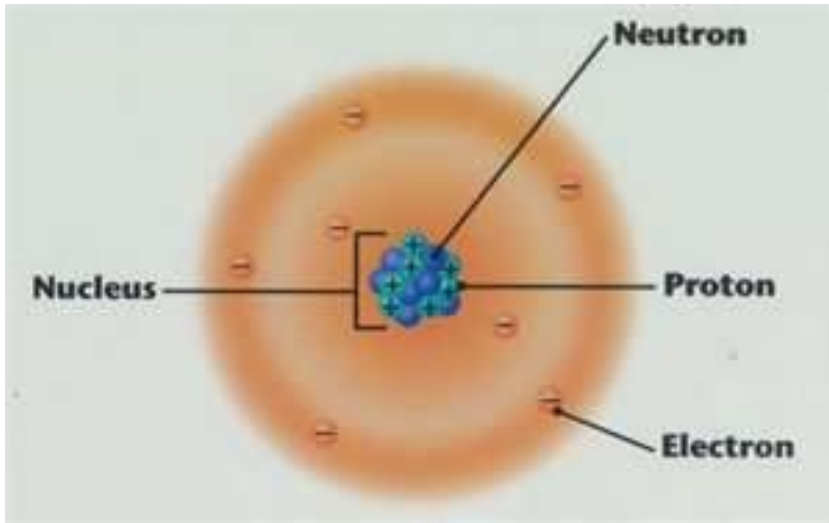


DIS = Deep Inelastic Scattering



# 20<sup>th</sup> Century Built on Quantum Mechanics

- The scientific advances of the 20<sup>th</sup> century have transformed our lifestyle
- **Impact of Quantum Mechanics**
  - All electronics devices, computers and communication
  - Nuclear power
  - Atomic and molecular manipulation of materials for chemical and biological applications



Molecule of Insulin

# Foundations of 20<sup>th</sup> Century Physics

- Quantum Mechanics
- Special Relativity
- Combination of these fundamental principles –  
Relativistic Quantum Theory

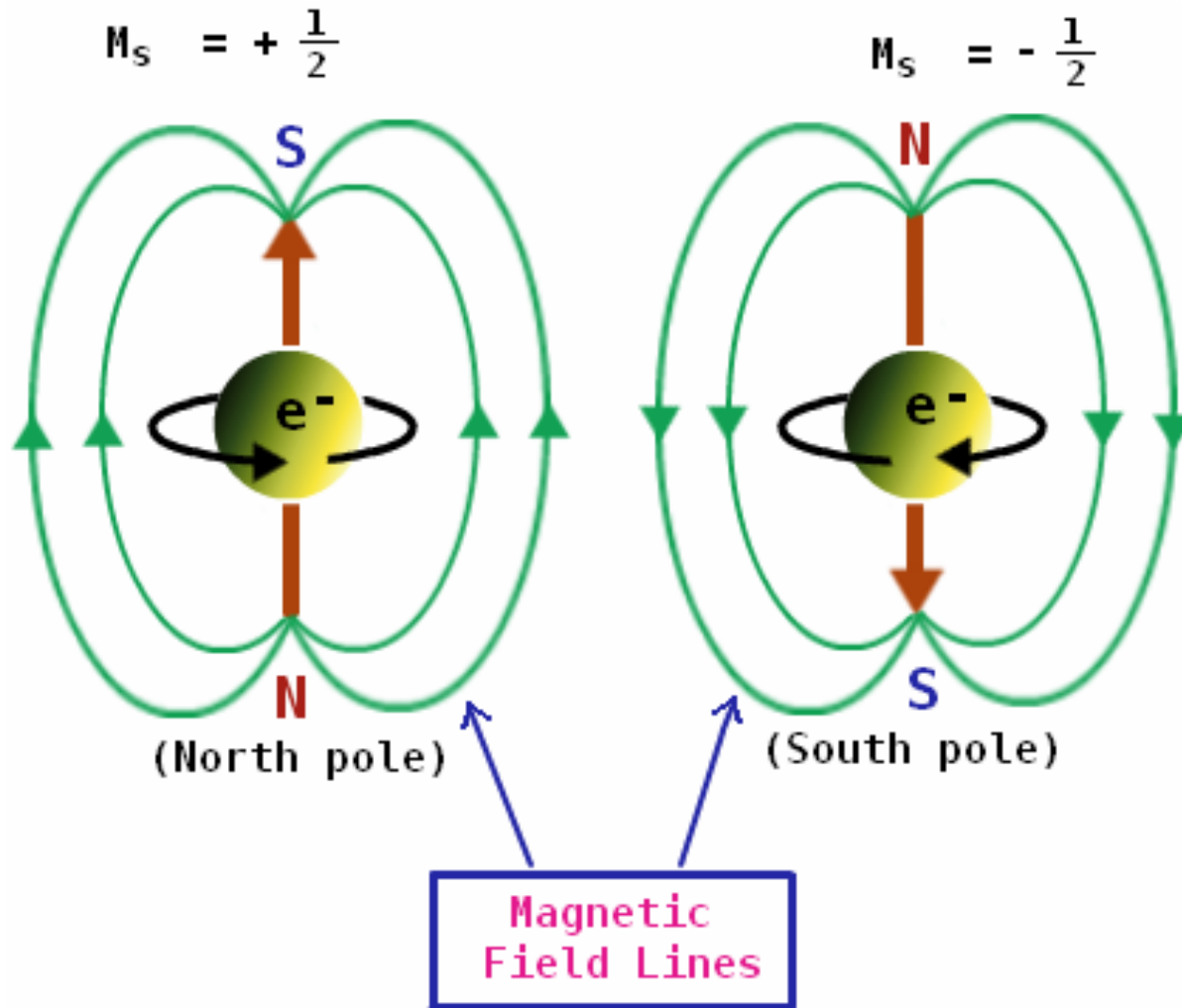
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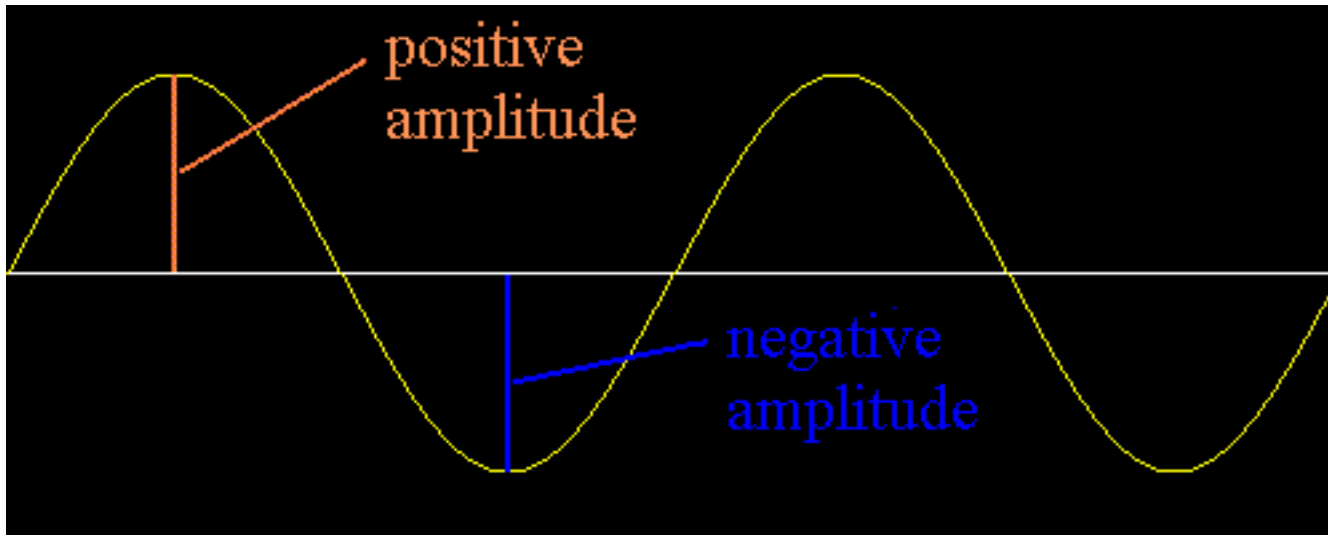
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  - Initiated by Paul Dirac

# Fundamental Properties of Electrons



# Effect of Complete Rotation

- **Quantum Mechanics + Special Relativity =>** Dirac and others showed mathematically that electron can be the type of particle that becomes negative of itself under a complete rotation



# Identical Particles are Indistinguishable

- Bose solved a major puzzle in quantum mechanics by proving that particles of the same type are indistinguishable



Satyendra Nath Bose in 1920's



# Towards a Fundamental Theory of Matter

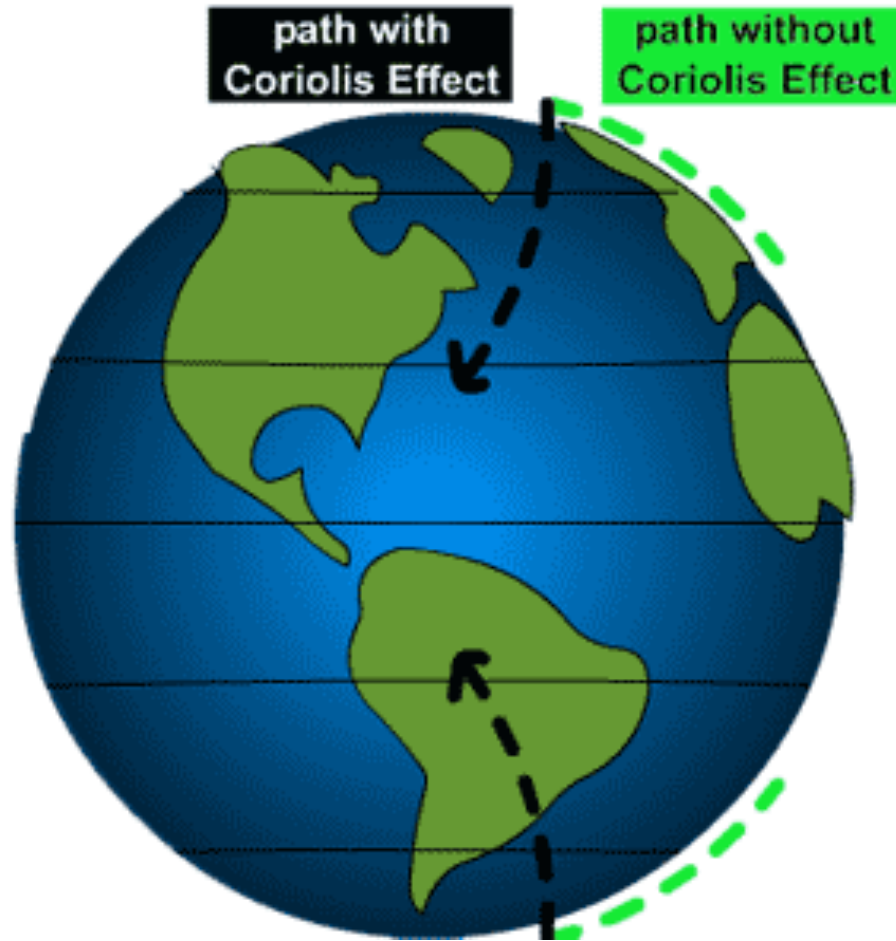


Interchange between two electrons  $\Leftrightarrow$  rotate one by 360 deg.

# Why Matter Occupies Volume

- $\psi(e_1, e_2) = -\psi(e_2, e_1)$
- But if two electrons occupied the same spot in space
- $\psi(e_1, e_2) = \psi(e_2, e_1)$
- Wave that both equal to itself and equal to negative of itself must be ZERO
- Pauli Exclusion Principle – identical particles like electrons, protons, neutrons cannot be at the same point in space at the same time
- This is a fundamental explanation for why matter is made up of fermions and why matter occupies volume

# How to Predict Fundamental Forces



“fictitious” forces observed in accelerating frame of reference

# Manifestation of Coriolis Force



Hurricanes appear to rotate in Earth's frame of reference

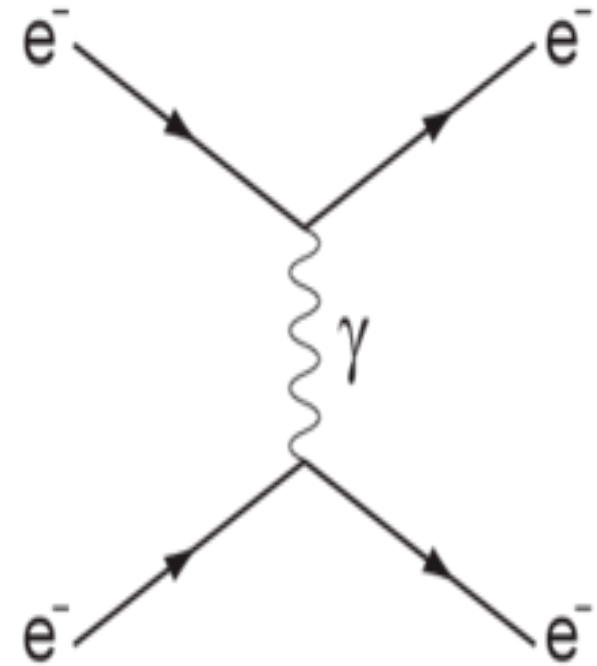
# Quantum Mechanics force $\leftrightarrow$ particle exchange



# Feynman Diagram: Force by Particle Exchange



Richard Feynman



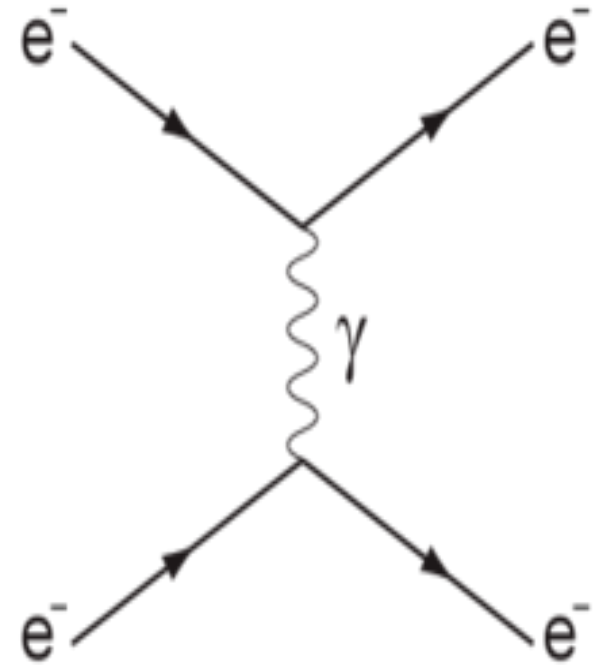
Electromagnetic force between two electrons mediated by “photon” exchange

# Feynman Diagram: Force by Particle Exchange

The most precisely tested theory, ever:

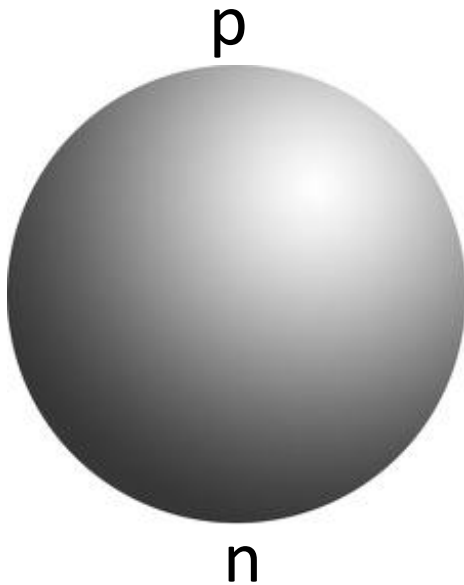
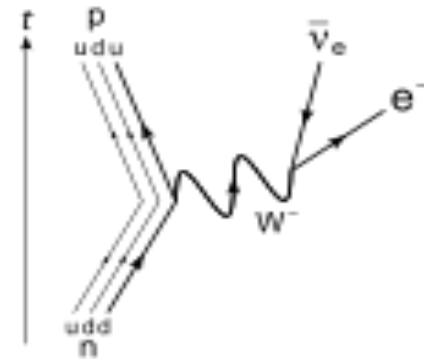
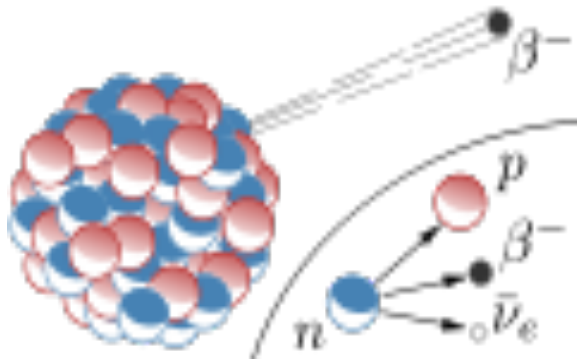
The quantum theory of the electric and magnetic forces, radio waves, light and X-rays:

Measured and predicted magnetic moment of an electron agree within 0.3 parts per trillion accuracy

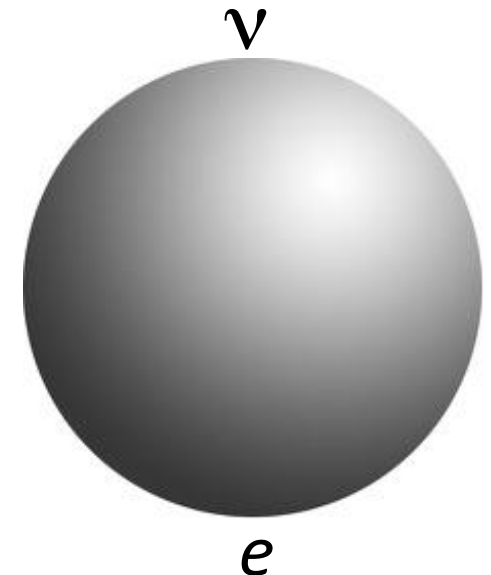


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# Weak Nuclear Decay

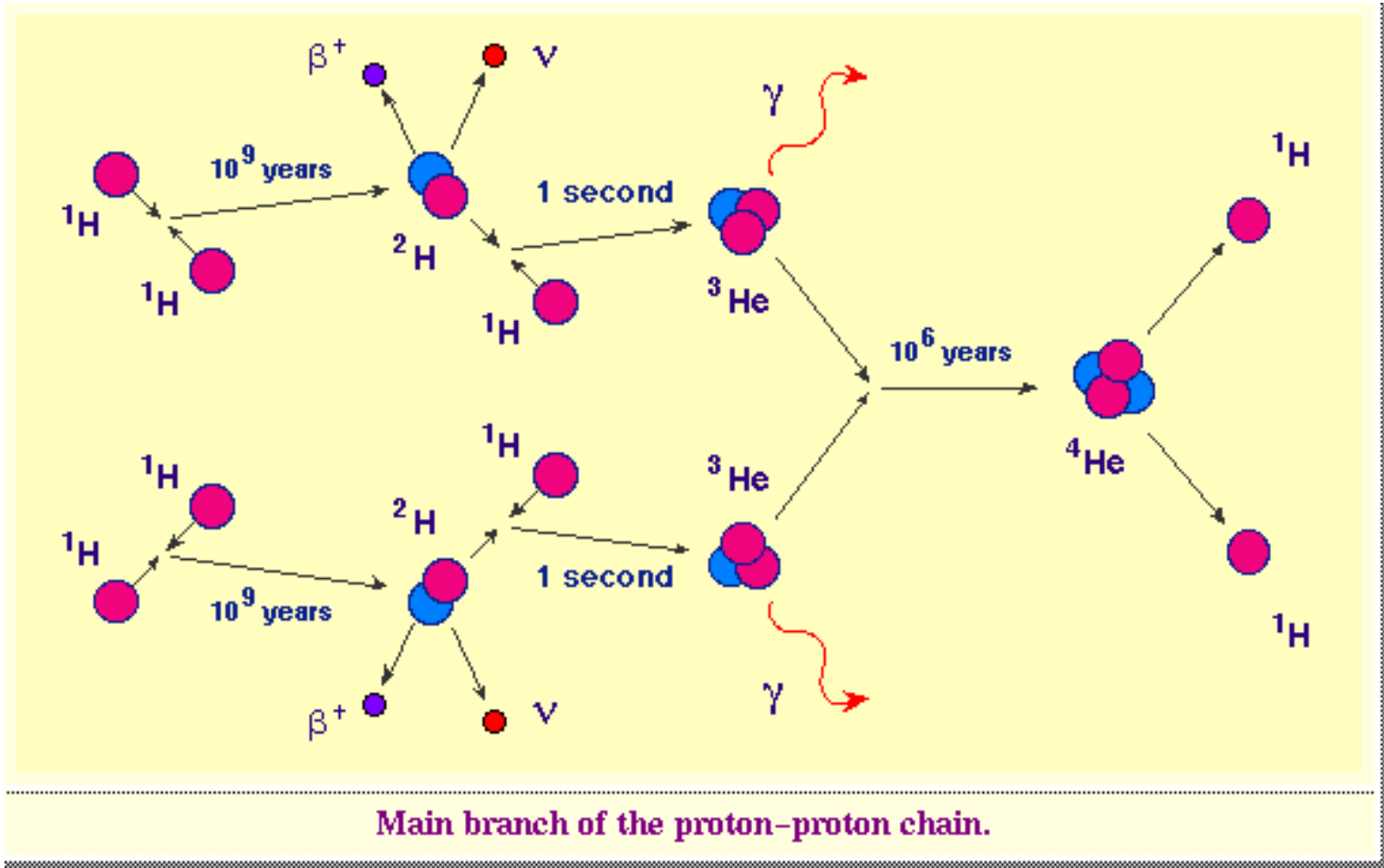


The force causing this interaction is described by particles making transitions on a “mathematical sphere”



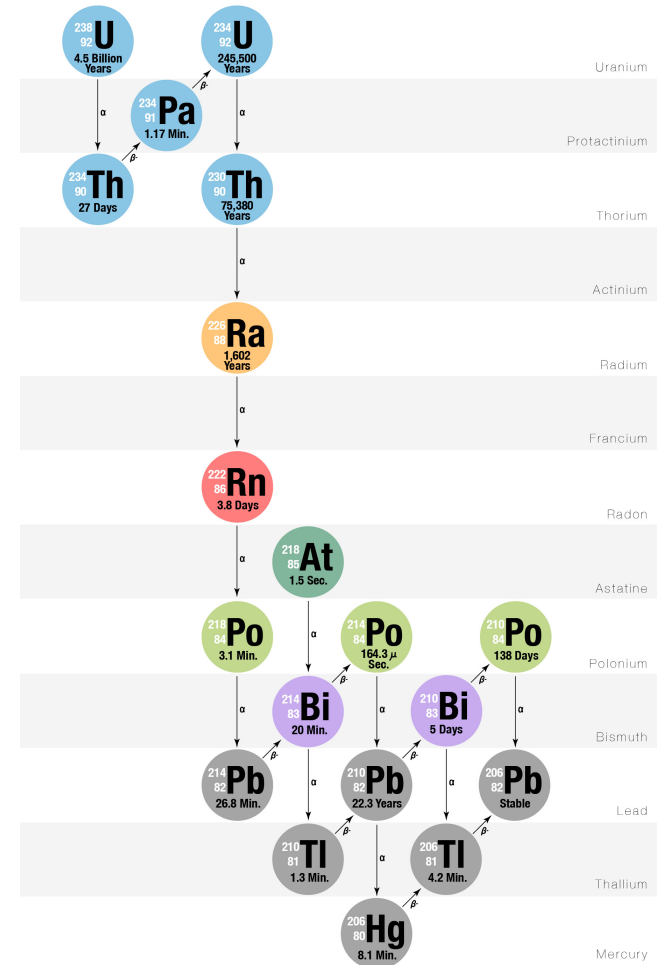
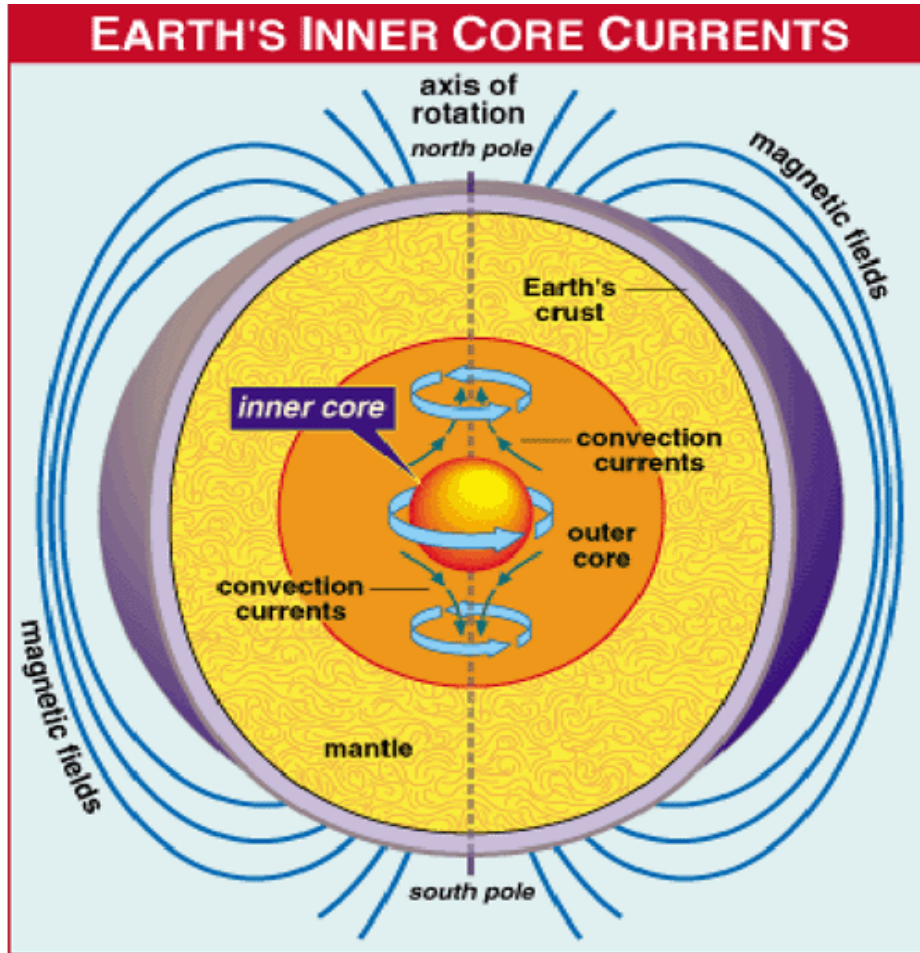


# Nuclear Fusion in Sun's Core



Crucial role of W boson in hydrogen  $\rightarrow$  helium fusion in Sun's core

# What Keeps the Earth's Core Molten?



Crucial role of W boson in keeping Earth core molten and generate protective magnetic shield against harmful solar radiation

# Success and Problem of Force Theory

- **Success:** correct mathematical description of all properties of electromagnetic force and the weak nuclear force
- **Another prediction:** force-mediating particles must be massless
- **Correct prediction for photon** – mediator particle of electric and magnetic forces and all electromagnetic waves: radio, light, microwave, x-rays described by massless photons
- **Problem:** for the weak nuclear force causing nuclear beta-decay, the mediator particle, “W boson” is very heavy
- **Question:** How can we preserve the original theory and simultaneously impart mass to the W boson?

# How does the W boson Acquire Mass?

- Fill all of space with “Higgs” field
- Particles propagating through “empty space” actually propagating through Higgs field
- Interaction of particles with Higgs field slows down the particle  $\Leftrightarrow$  imparting the property of mass to it

# Light versus Heavy Particles – like moving through water



Streamlined

⇒ Moves fast through water

⇒ analogous to light particle

Not streamlined

⇒ Moves slowly through water

⇒ analogous to heavy particle



# How did we confirm the existence of the Higgs?

- Create ripples in the Higgs field



Ripples  $\leftrightarrow$  Higgs boson

# A Century of Particle Physics

- Success # 1: discovery of 6 quarks and 6 leptons
- 12 fundamental fermions: matter particles (and their antimatter counterparts) derived by combining quantum mechanics and special relativity

## Quarks

$$\begin{array}{lll} u < 1 \text{ GeV} & c \sim 1.5 \text{ GeV} & t \sim 175 \text{ GeV} \\ d < 1 \text{ GeV} & s < 1 \text{ GeV} & b \sim 4.5 \text{ GeV} \end{array}$$

But the intriguing pattern  
of mass values is not explained  
– just blamed on  
Higgs boson interactions

## Leptons

$$\begin{array}{lll} \nu_e < 1 \text{ eV} & \nu_\mu < 0.17 \text{ MeV} & \nu_\tau < 24 \text{ MeV} \\ e & 0.5 \text{ MeV} & \mu & 106 \text{ MeV} & \tau & 1.8 \text{ GeV} \end{array}$$

# A Century of Particle Physics

- Success # 2: principle of gauge invariance for *predicting* the nature of fundamental forces
  - matter particles (quarks and leptons) transform in *curved* internal spaces
  - The equations of motion predict terms that describe particle interactions with force fields

Gauge sector

$$L = i\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu D_\mu\psi - \frac{1}{2}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$$





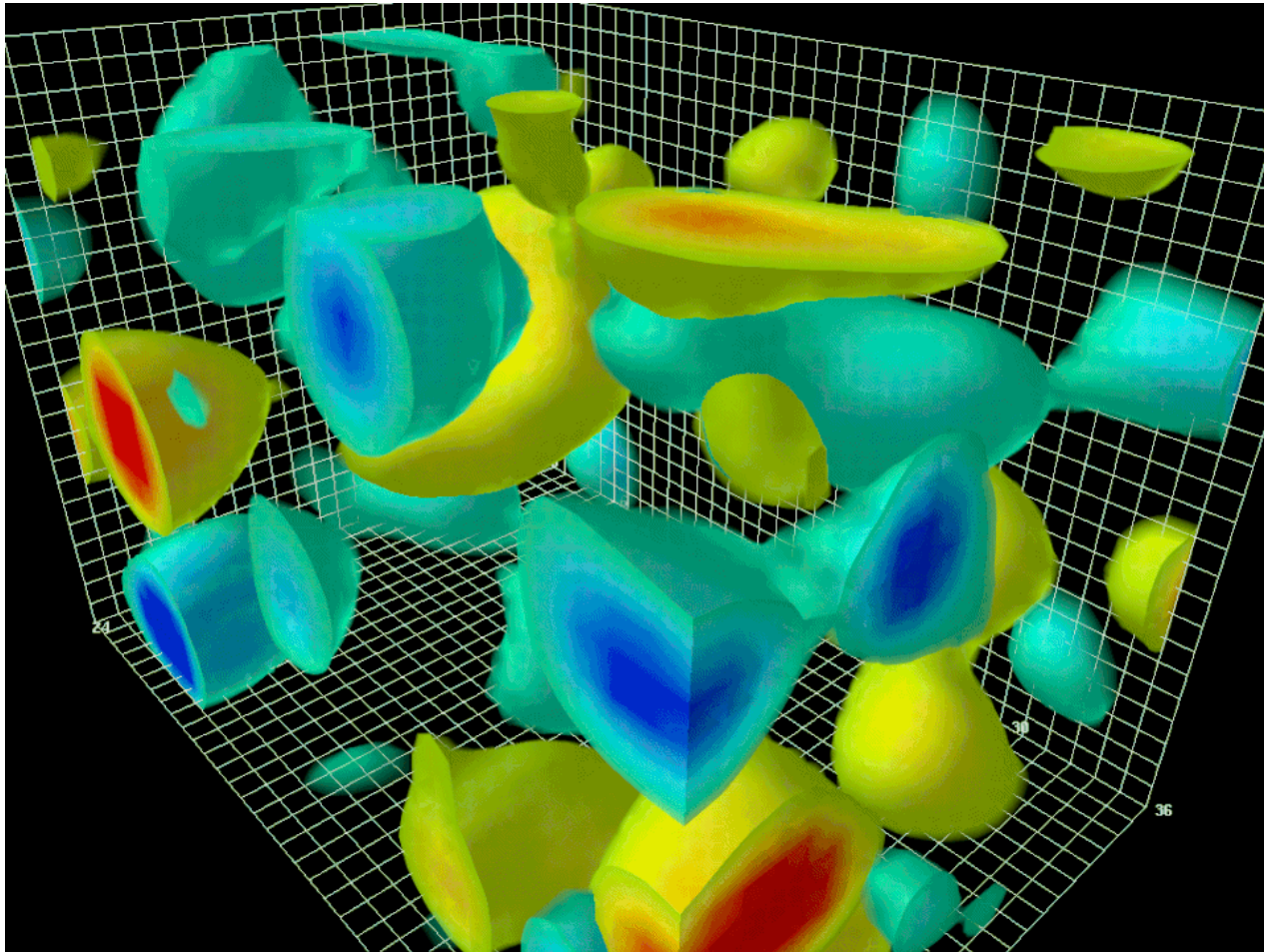
# The Vacuum is a Quantum Foam

# Implication of Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle

$$\Delta E \sim h / \Delta t$$

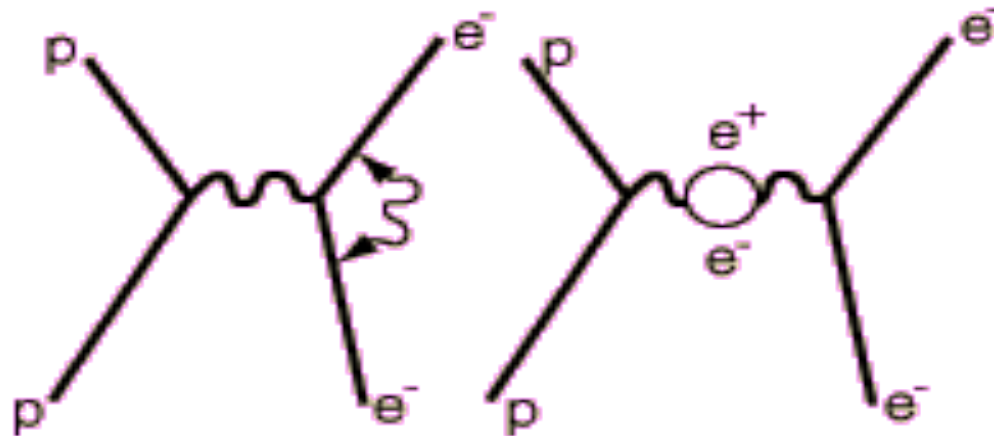
- Nature can “borrow” energy of amount  $\Delta E$  for a short time  $\Delta t$
- The shorter the time period of this “energy loan”, the larger the amount of the loaned energy that is available
- Therefore the vacuum is a bubbling foam with high-energy particles popping up and disappearing

# The Vacuum as a Quantum Foam

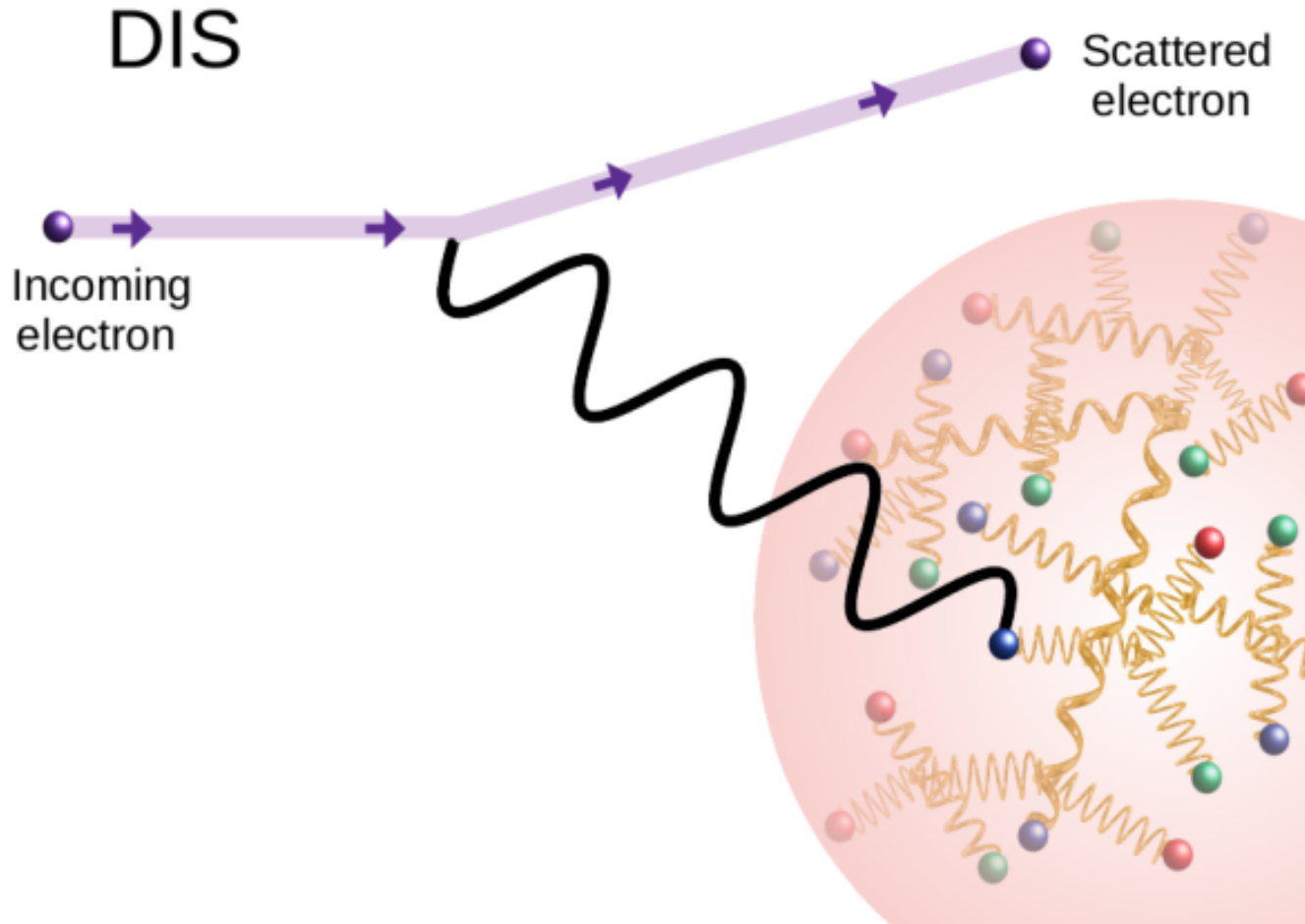


# Detecting New Physics through Precision Measurements

- Willis Lamb (Nobel Prize 1955) measured the difference between energies of  $^2S_{1/2}$  and  $^2P_{1/2}$  states of hydrogen atom
  - Observed one part per million difference in their energies
  - States should have the same energy in the absence of vacuum fluctuations
- Harbinger of vacuum fluctuations to be calculated by Feynman diagrams containing quantum fluctuations
  - Modern quantum field theory of electrodynamics followed (Nobel Prize 1965 for Schwinger, Feynman & Tomonaga)

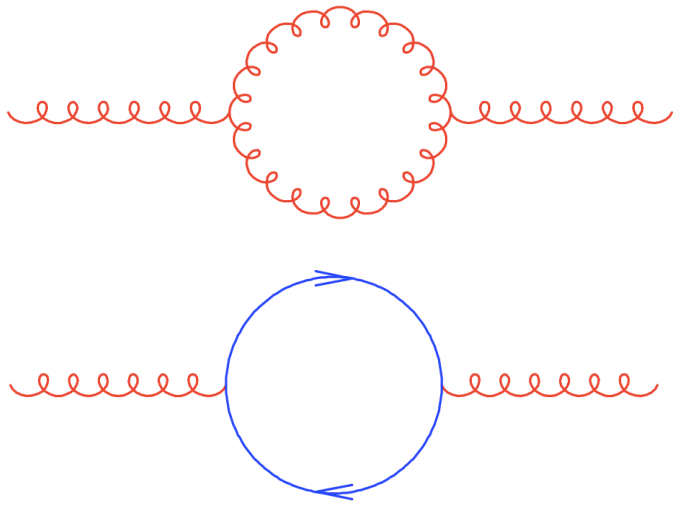


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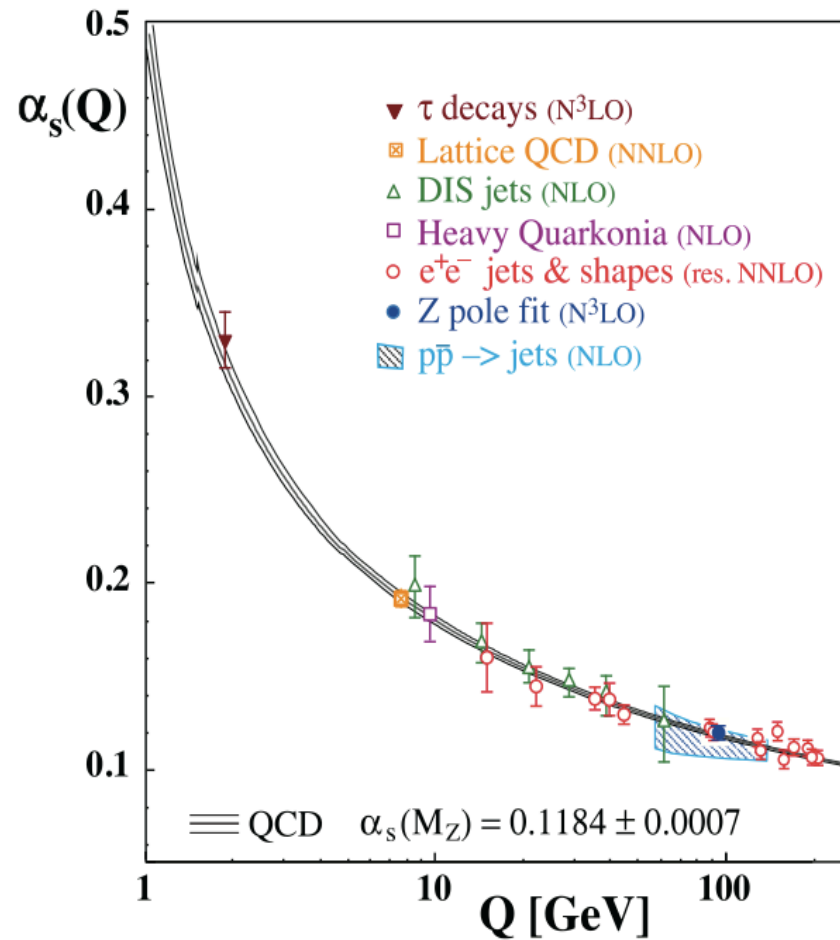


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# Test of Quantum Fluctuations at High Energy

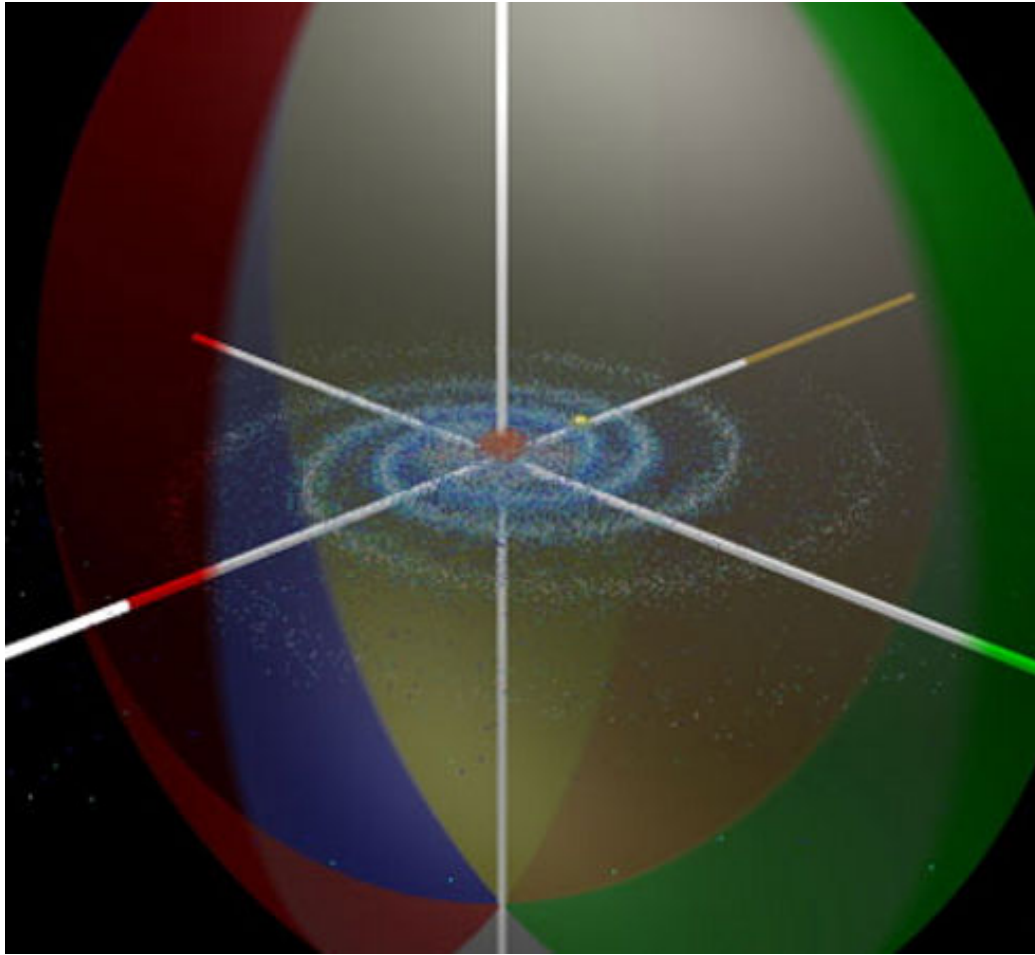


Changing strength of the strong force with energy has been confirmed experimentally



# Dark Matter, Galaxy Formation and the Quantum Foam

# Halo of Invisible Dark Matter around Galaxies

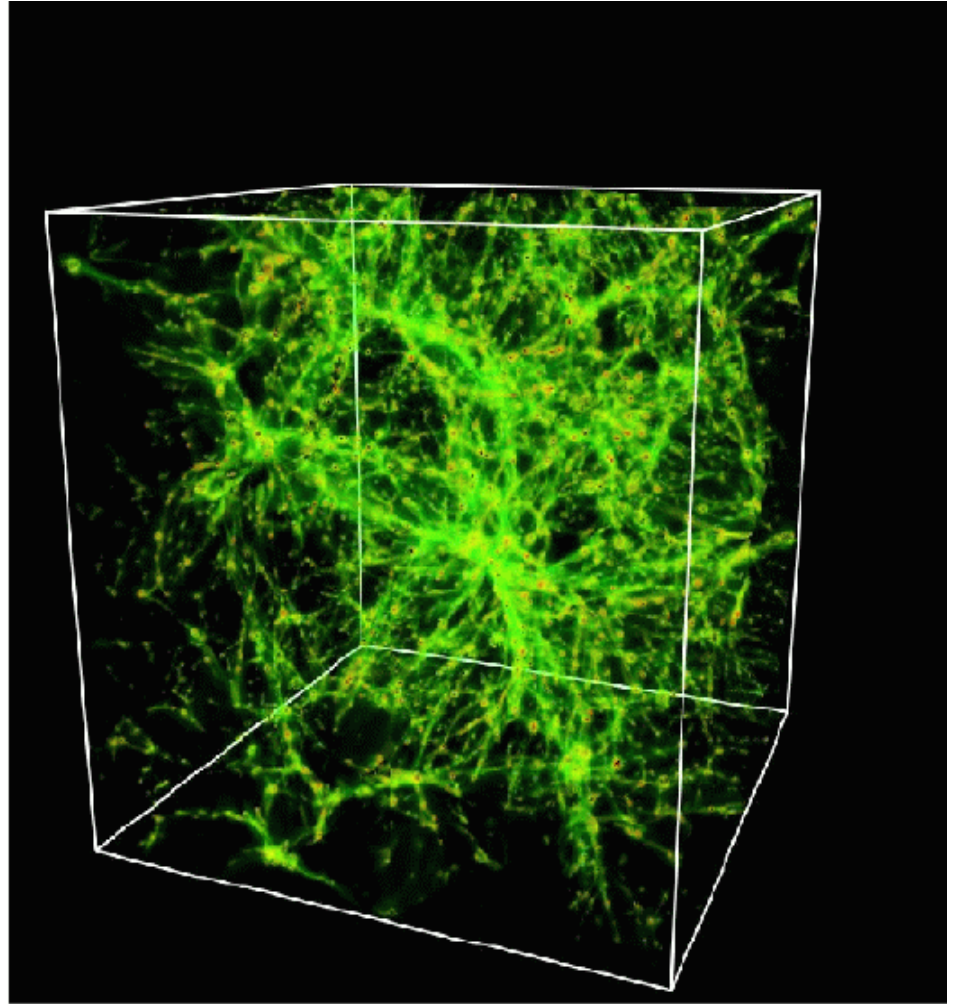


Four times as much dark matter as visible matter

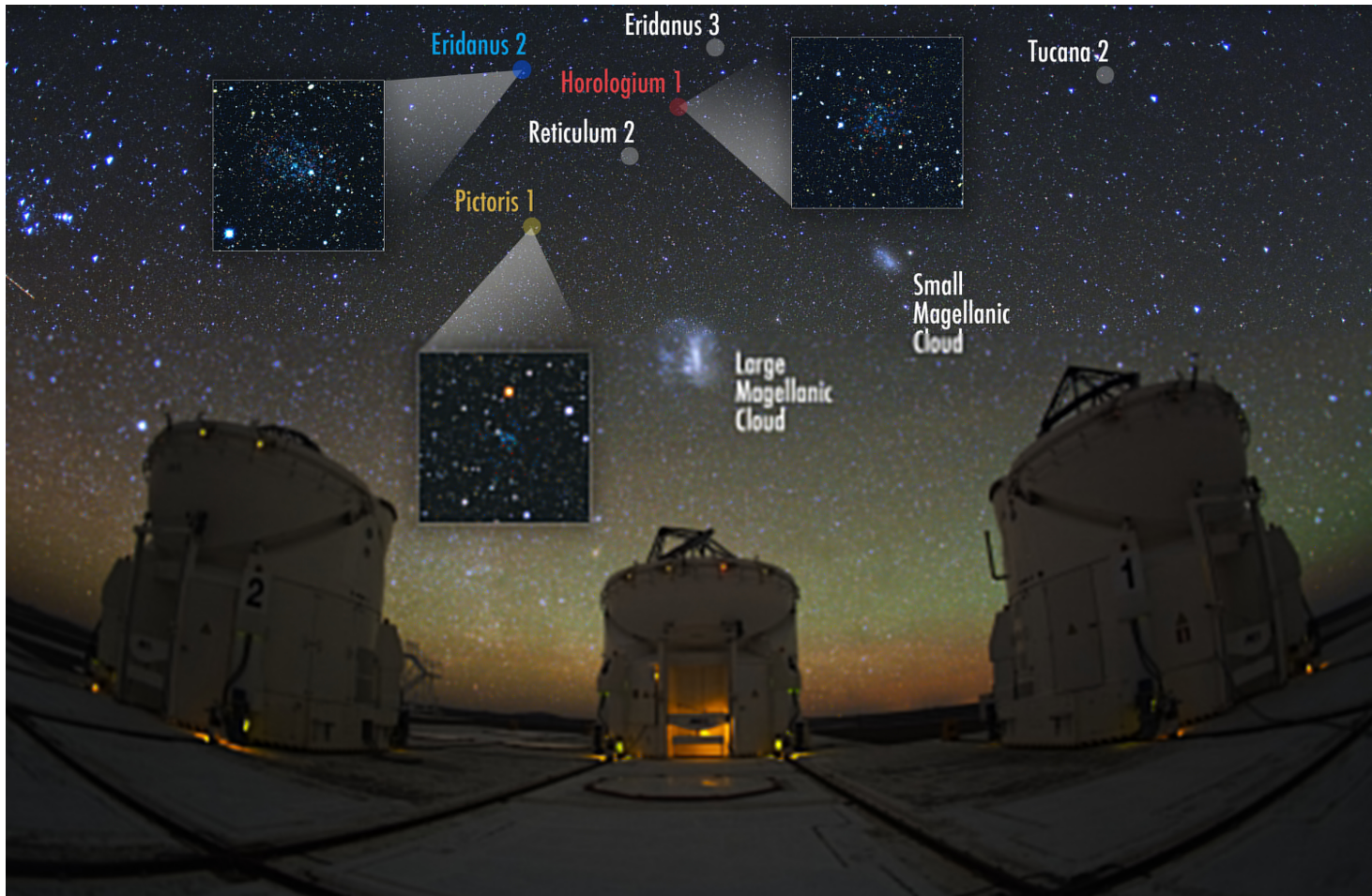


# Mapping out the Dark Matter

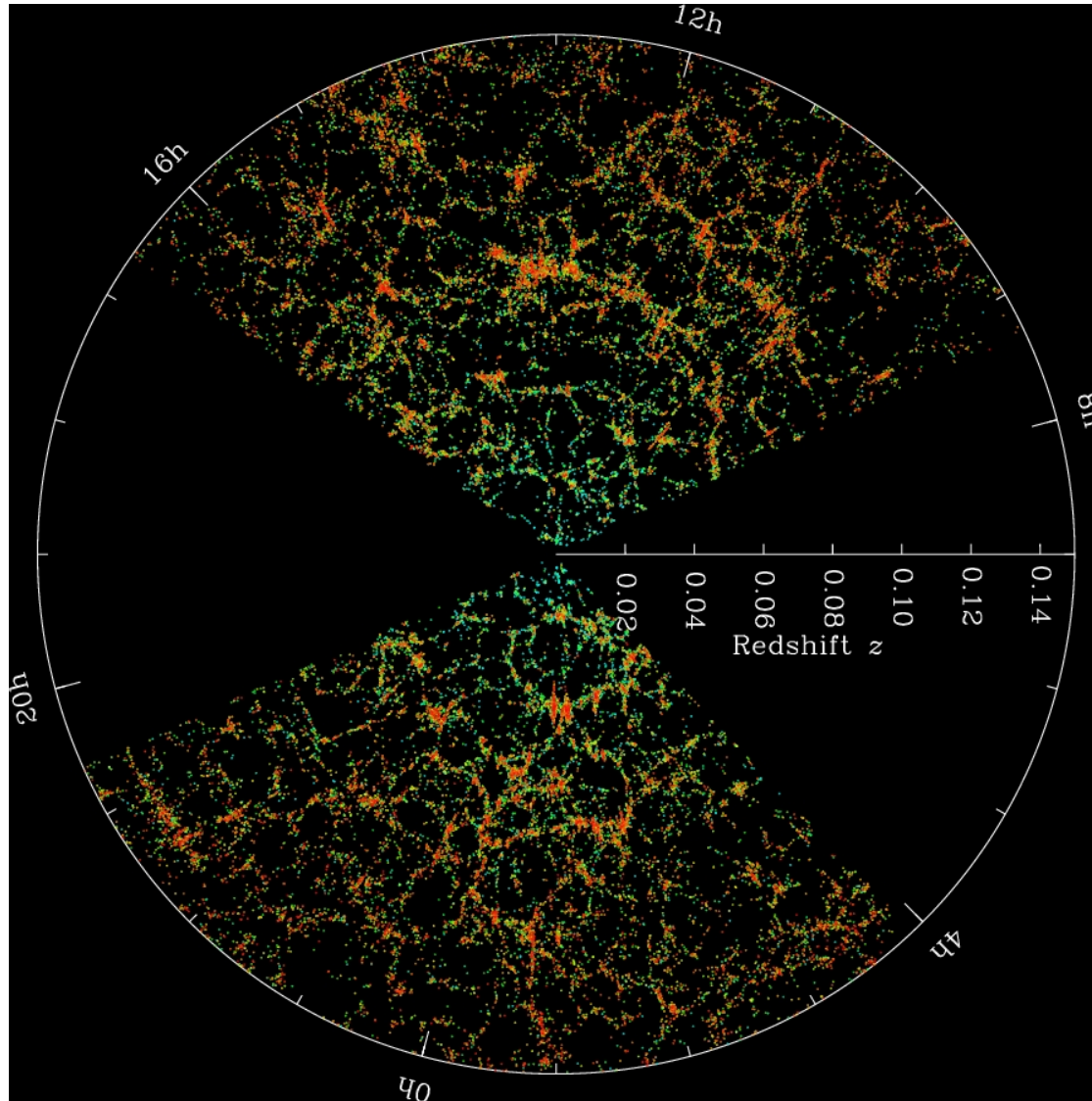
- *A lot* of dark matter is required to hold galaxies together
- It cannot all be made of protons
- It must be neutral, stable, heavy
- It must be some new form of matter – new fundamental particles



# Newly Discovered Dark Matter Galaxies



# 3D Distribution of Galaxies

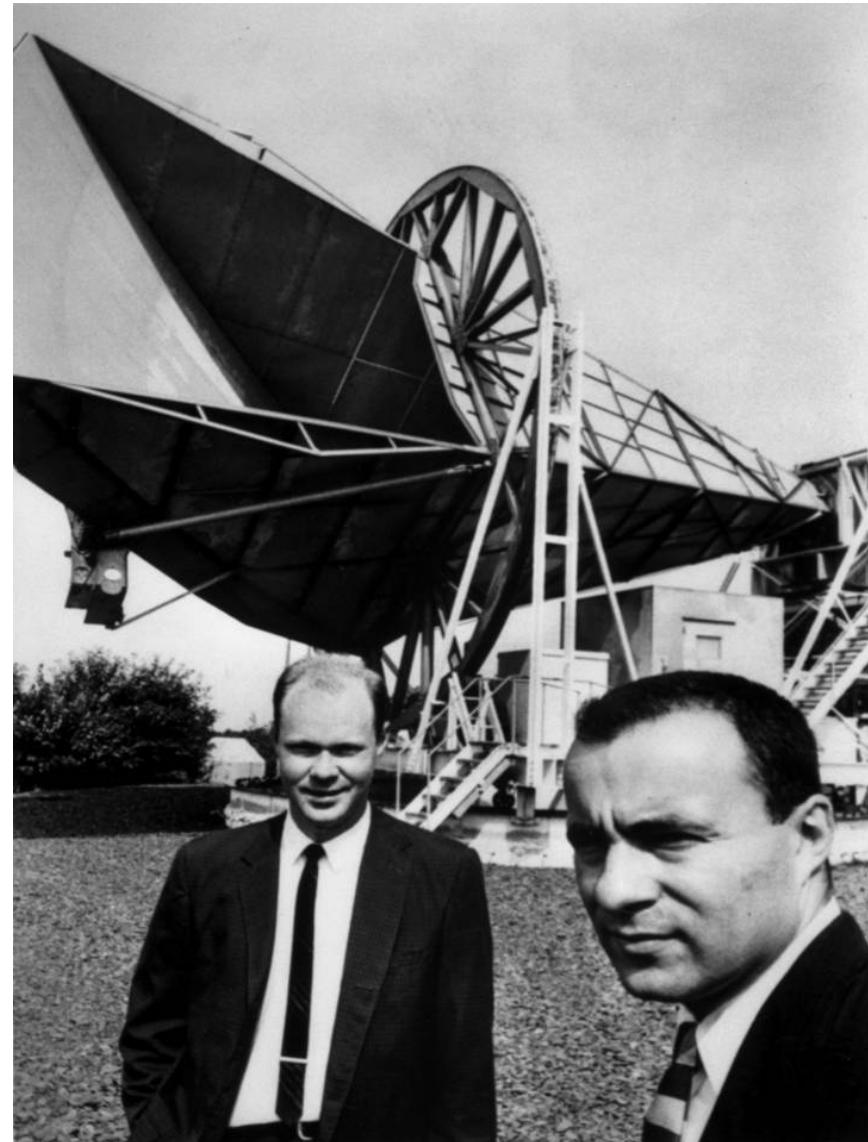


# Cosmic Microwave Background

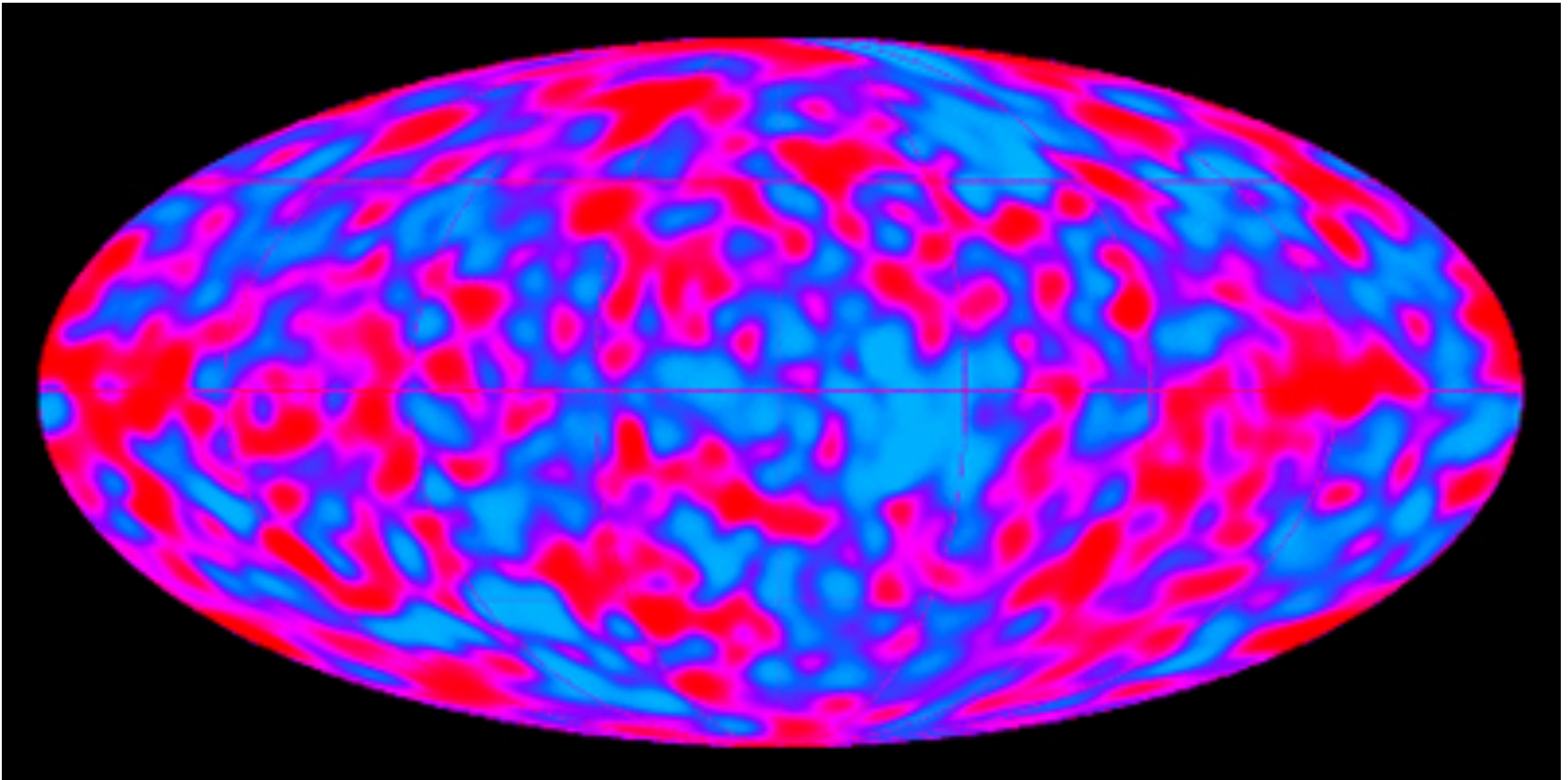
Penzias and Wilson (Bell Labs) discovered in 1964 a constant microwave radiation coming uniformly from all points in the sky

This radiation was emitted at the beginning of the Universe

Nobel-prize winning discovery

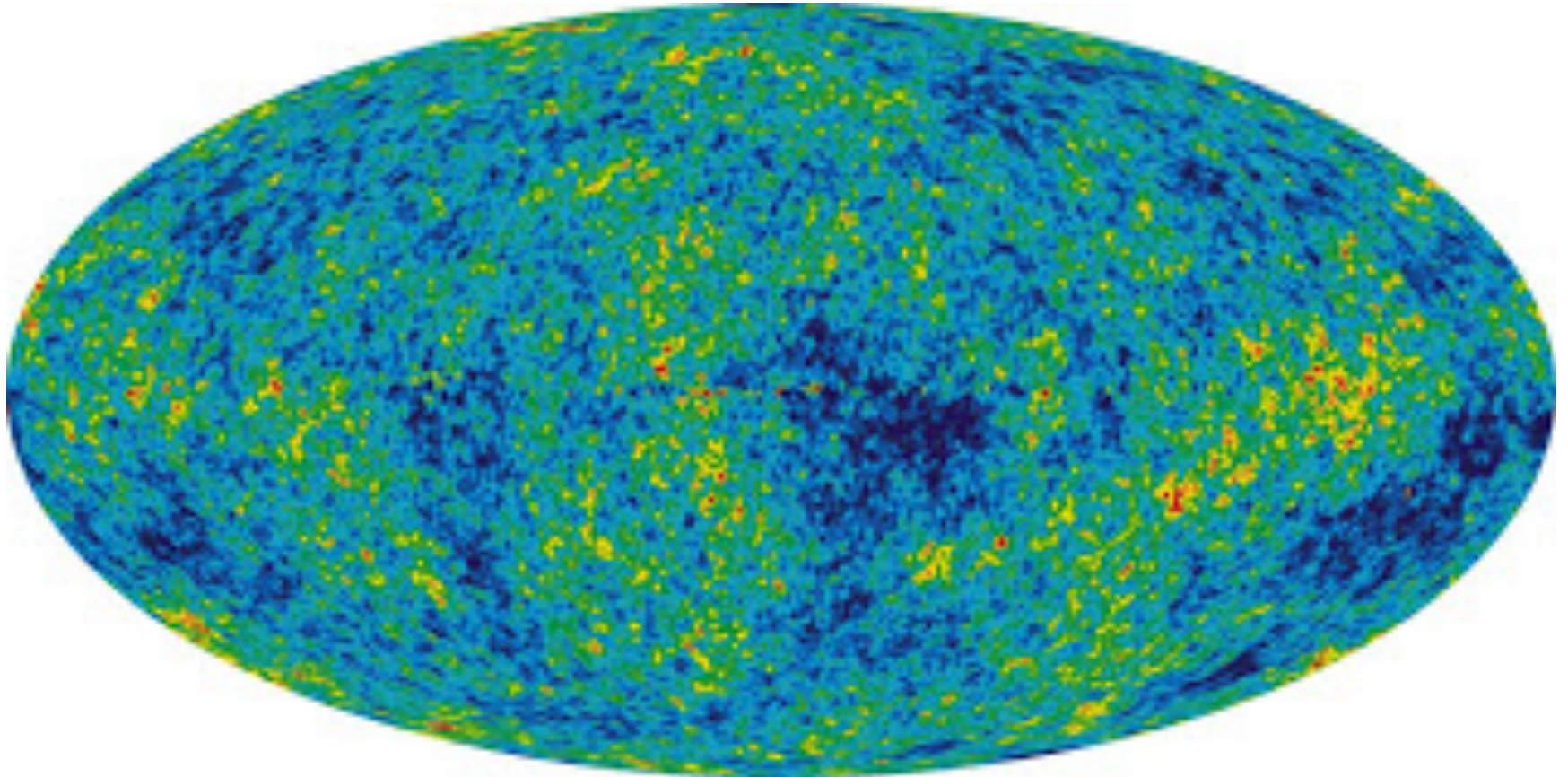


# Cosmic Microwave Background Fluctuations



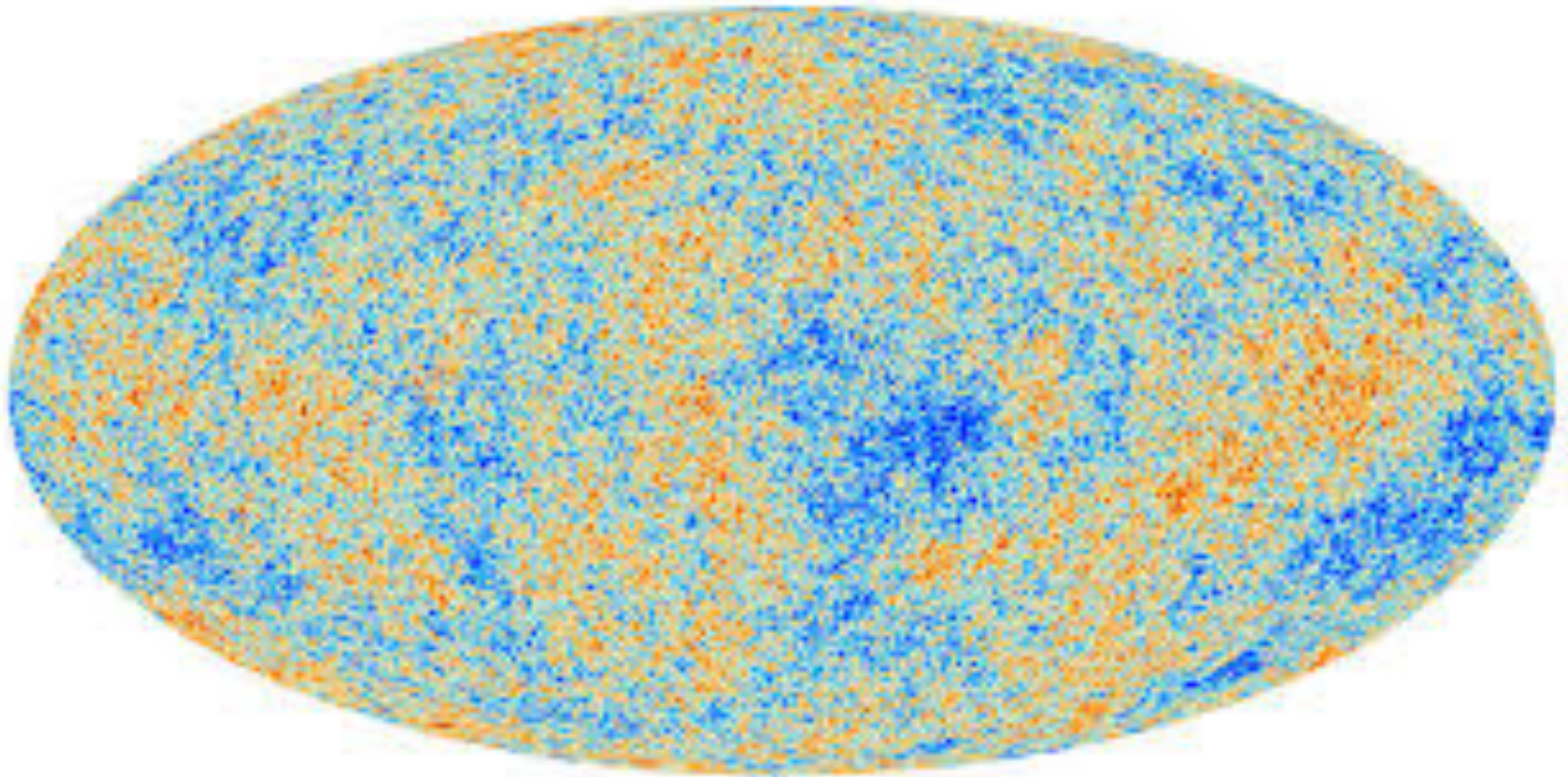
Full sky measurement of variation of microwave radiation  
0.001% variation with direction in sky, measured by COBE satellite  
(Nobel-prize winning discovery)

# Cosmic Microwave Background Fluctuations



Full sky measurement of variation of radiation  
Improved direction precision measured by WMAP satellite

# Cosmic Microwave Background Fluctuations



Full sky measurement of variation of radiation

Further improved direction precision measured by PLANCK satellite

# Origin of Galaxies Requires Dark Matter

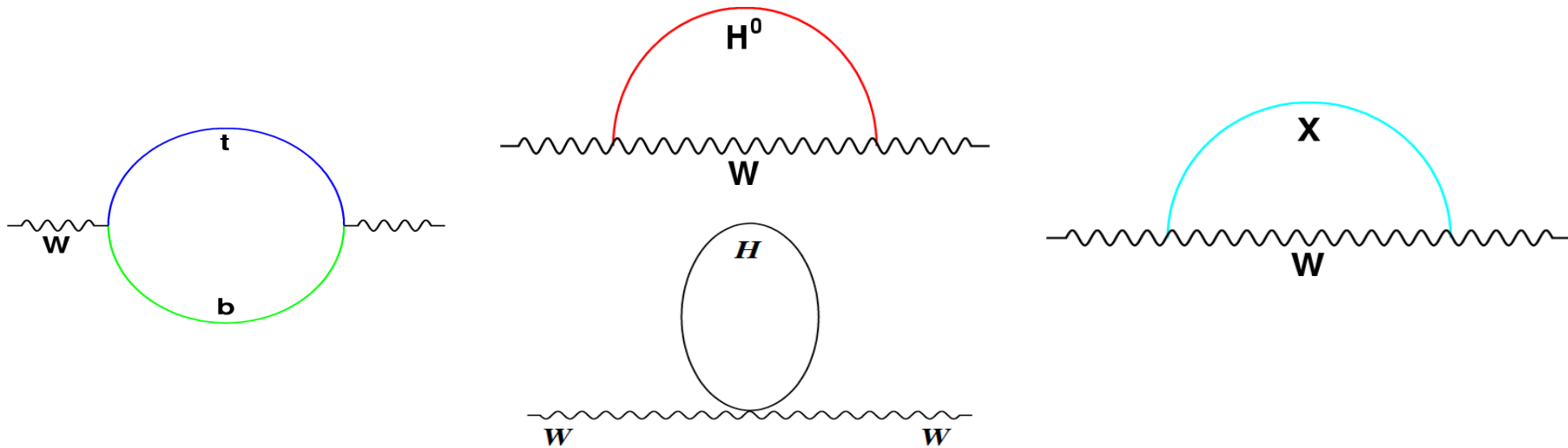
- Quantum fluctuations at the Big Bang cause density variations
  - We are seeing the imprint of these density variations on the earliest light
- Density variations seeded the accretion of dark matter
- Dark matter accretion causes accretion of visible matter
  - Leading to galaxies we see today



# The Vacuum Quantum Foam and the W boson Mass

# Motivation for Precision Measurement of W boson Mass

- Quantum fluctuations due to top quark and Higgs boson and (potentially) undiscovered particles



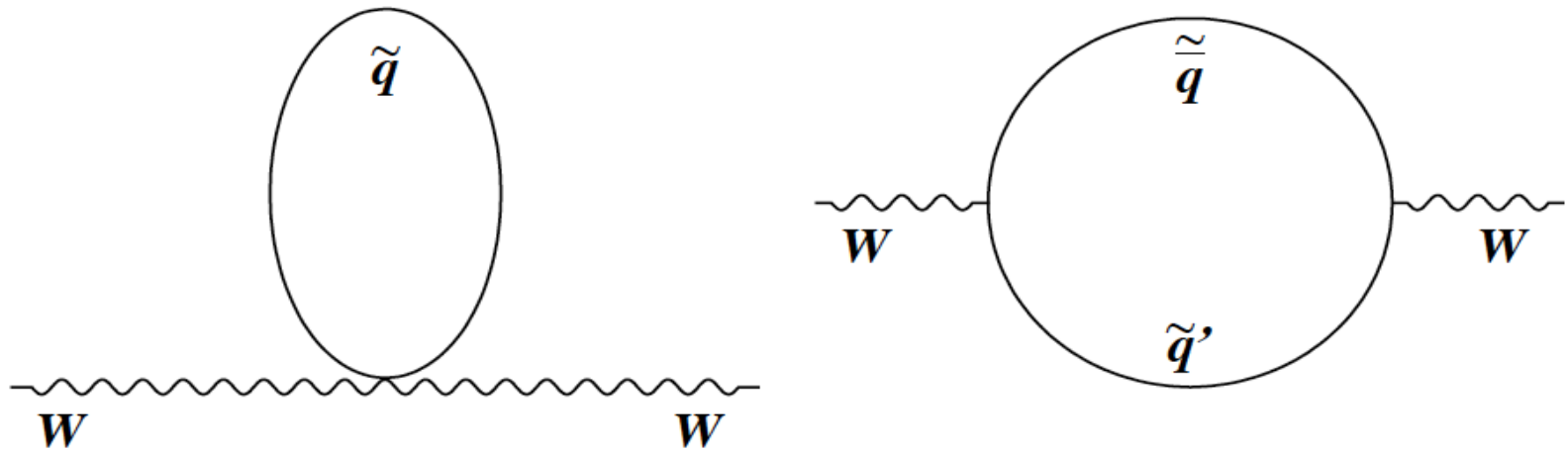
Standard Model calculation of the quantum fluctuations:

- Since we know top quark and Higgs boson masses, comparing measured and calculated values of W boson mass tells us about new particles “X” beyond the Standard Model

## Motivation for Precision Measurement of W boson Mass

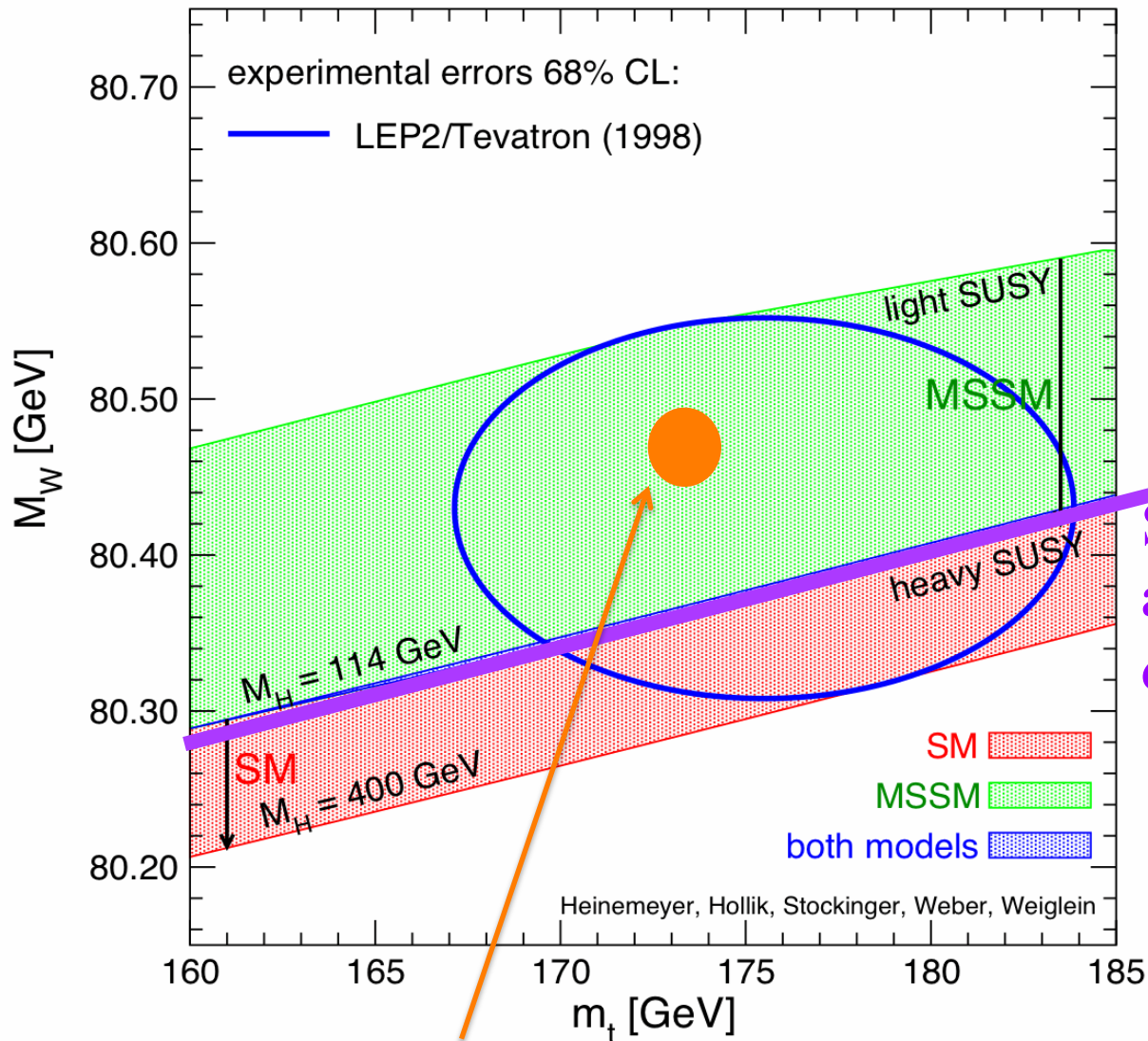
- The mass of the W boson is precisely calculable in Standard Model theory
  - The Higgs boson was the last missing component of the model
- The W boson mass is calculated to accuracy of 0.01%
  - Standard Model expectation
  - $M_W = 80,357 \pm 4_{\text{inputs}} \pm 4_{\text{theory}} \text{ MeV}$
  - A target for comparison to experimental measurement

# Quantum Fluctuations from Supersymmetric Particles



- Quantum fluctuations involving supersymmetric particles contribute to the  $W$  boson mass
- Supersymmetric particle could constitute dark matter

# 2022 Status of $M_W$ vs $M_{top}$

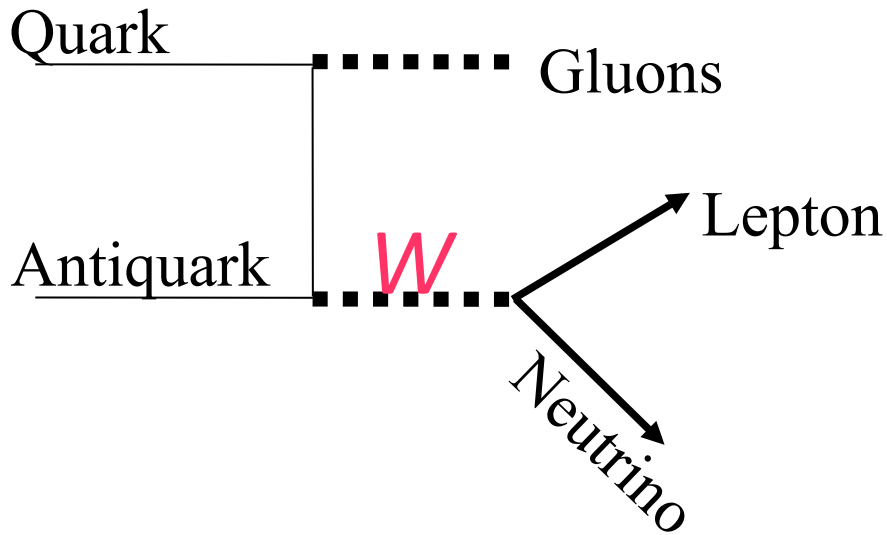


Standard Model  
after 2012 Higgs  
discovery

*Science* **376**, 170 (April 7, 2022); DOI: [10.1126/science.abk1781](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.abk1781)

# How to Measure the W boson Mass to 0.01% accuracy

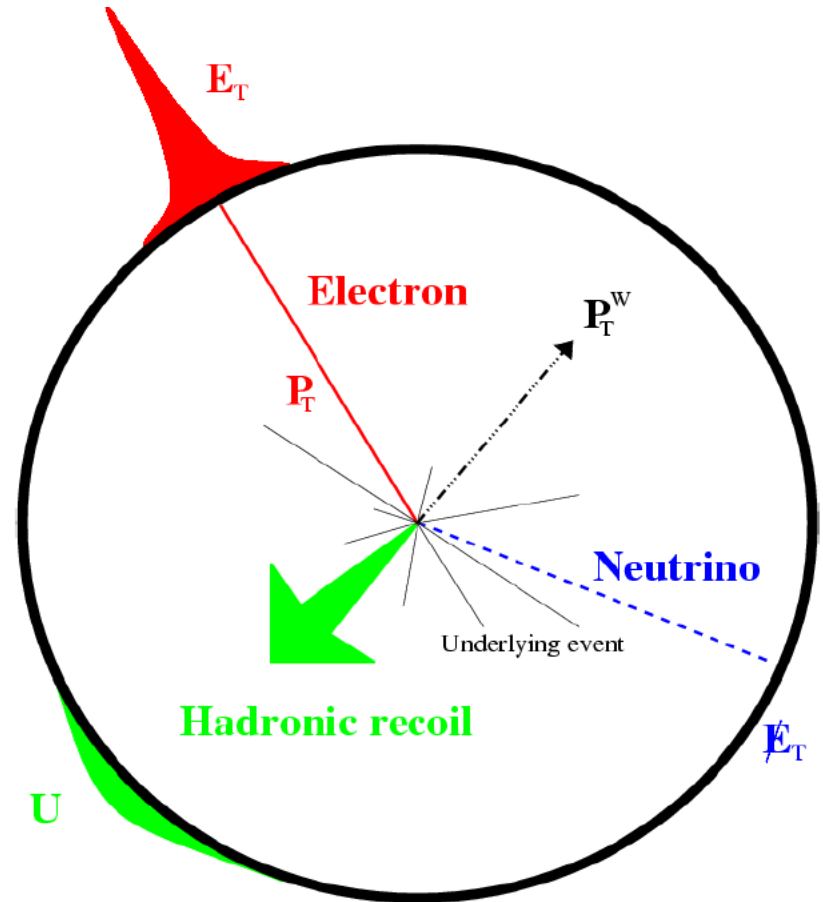
# W Boson Production in Proton-Antiproton Collisions



Quark-antiquark annihilation produces W boson

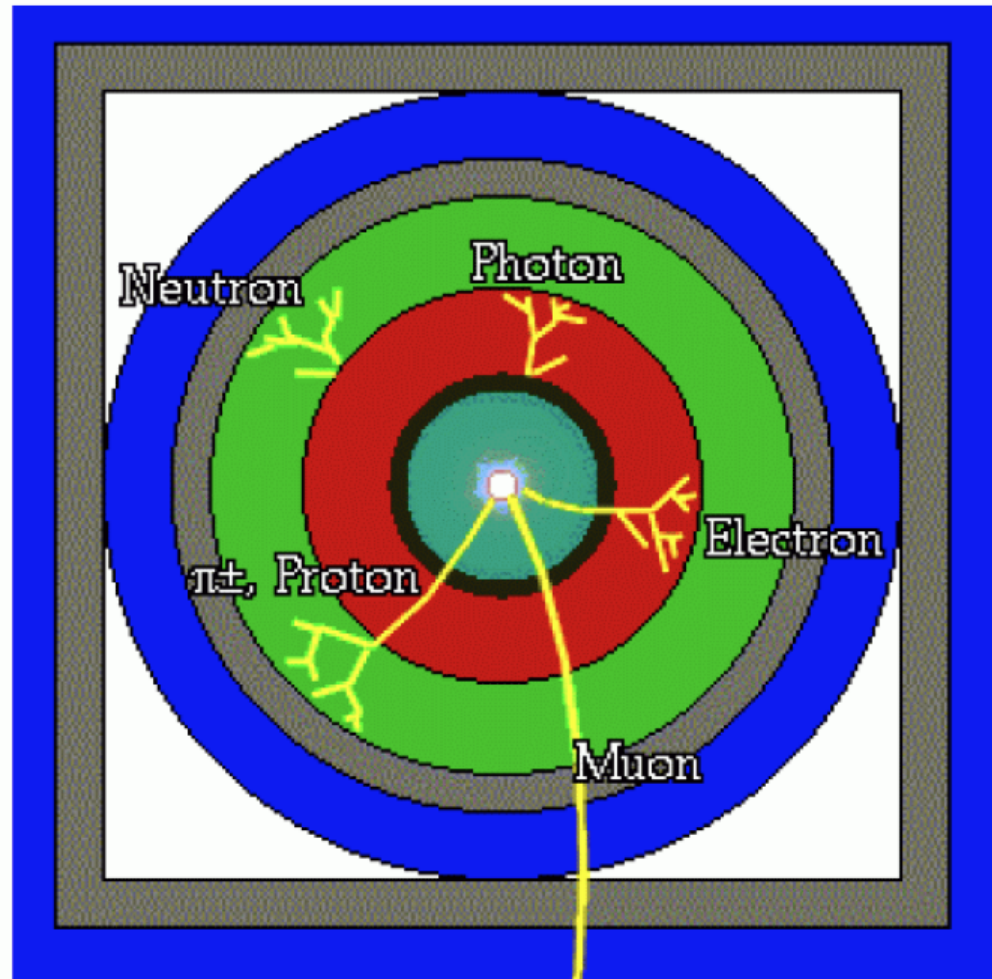
W boson decays to neutrino, accompanied by electron or muon

Lepton (electron or muon) momentum carries most of  $W$  mass information, can be measured precisely (achieved 0.004%)



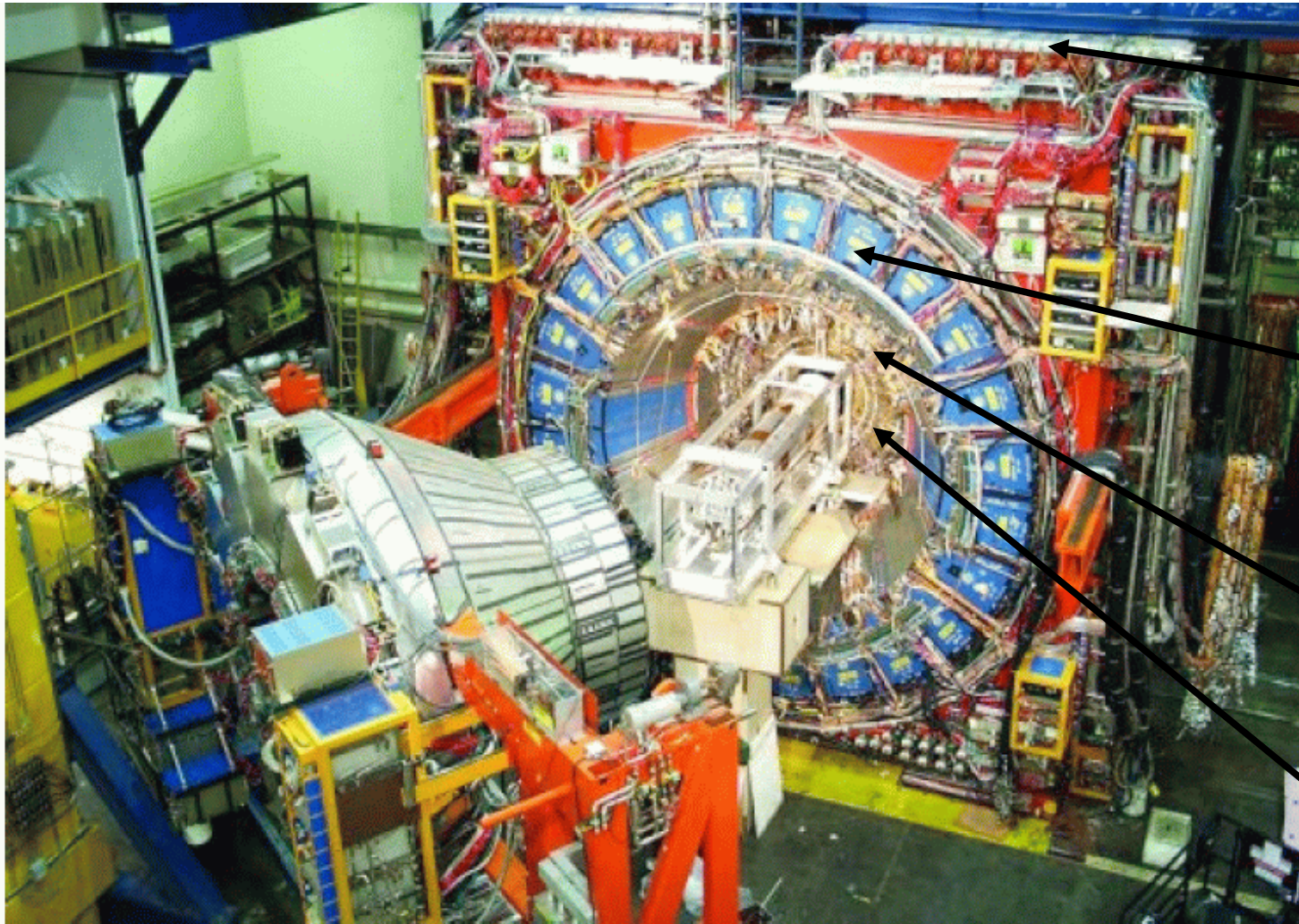
# Particle Detector Design

- Concentric cylinders of different kinds of detector technologies
- Decay products of unstable particles identified





# Collider Detector at Fermilab (CDF)



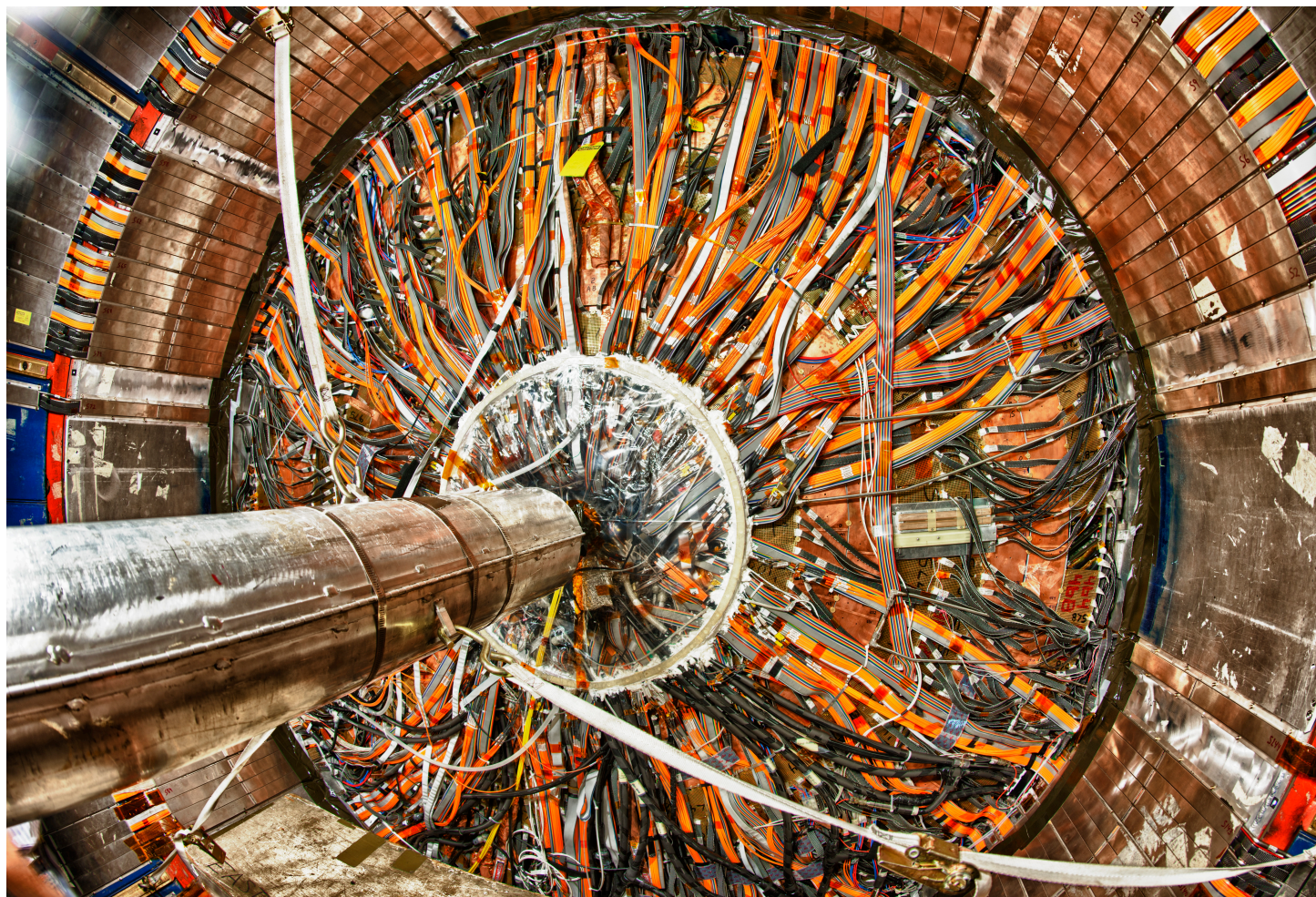
Muon  
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Central EM  
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Drift  
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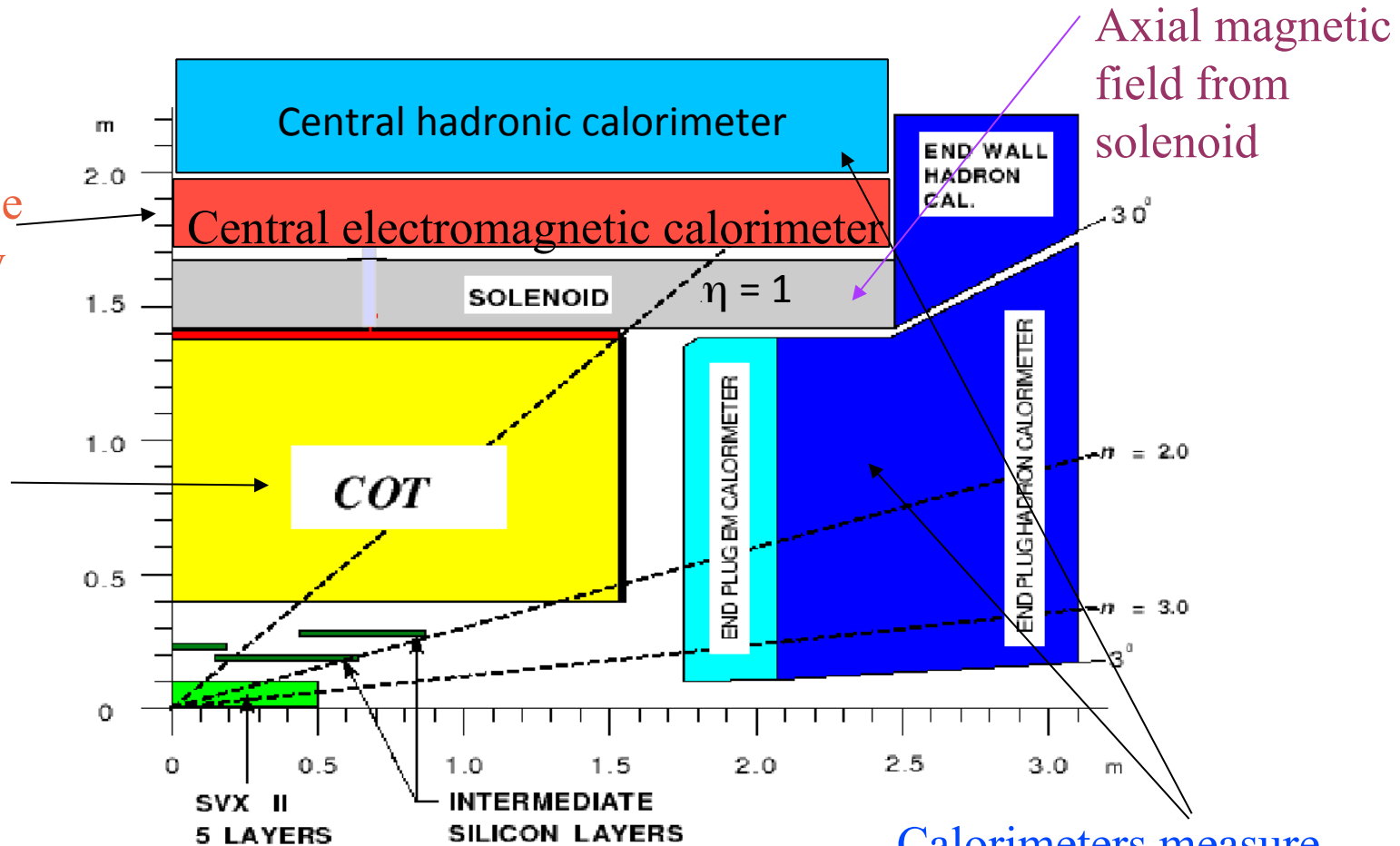
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# Quadrant of Collider Detector at Fermilab (CDF)

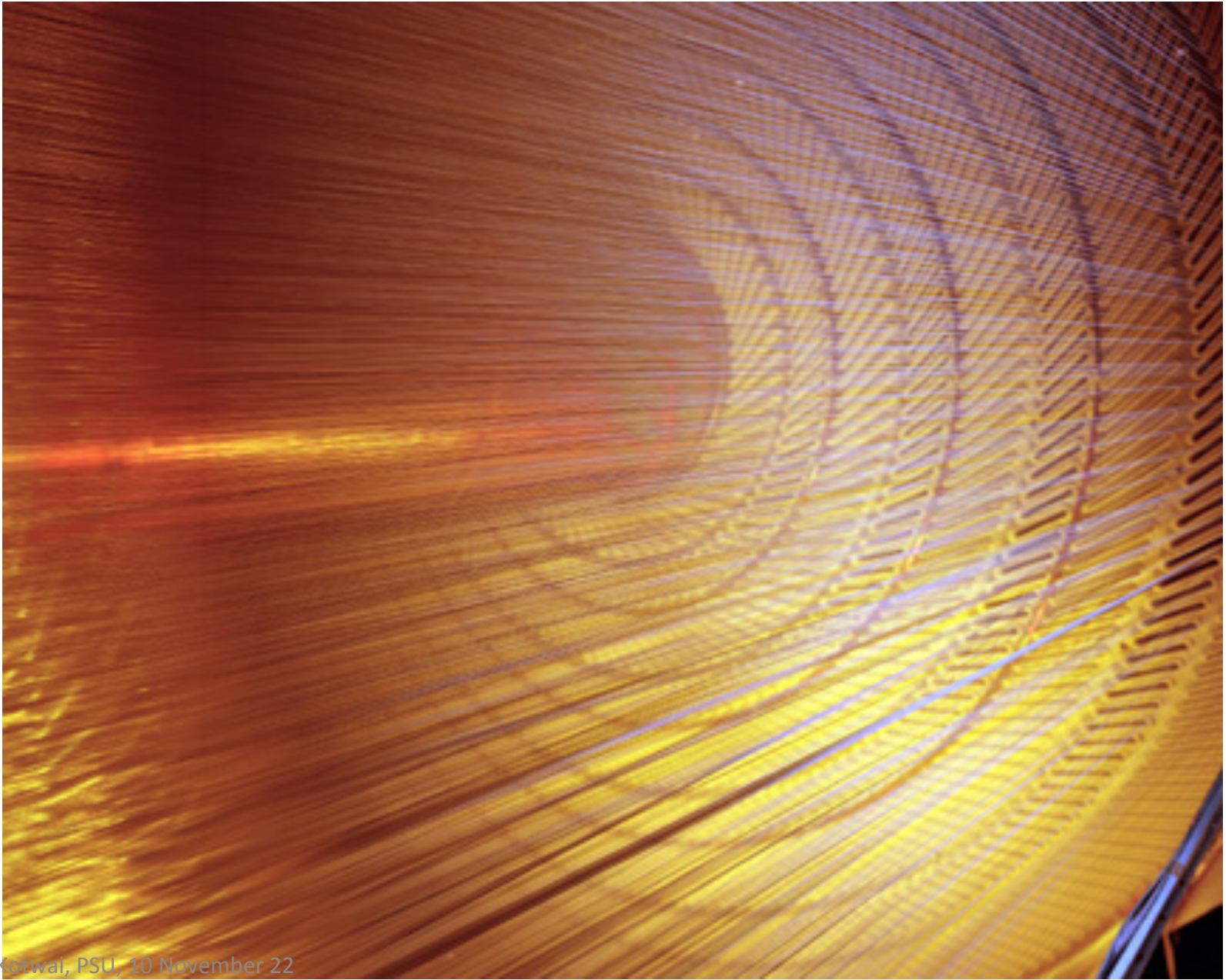
calorimeter provides precise electron energy measurement

drift chamber provides precise particle momentum measurement

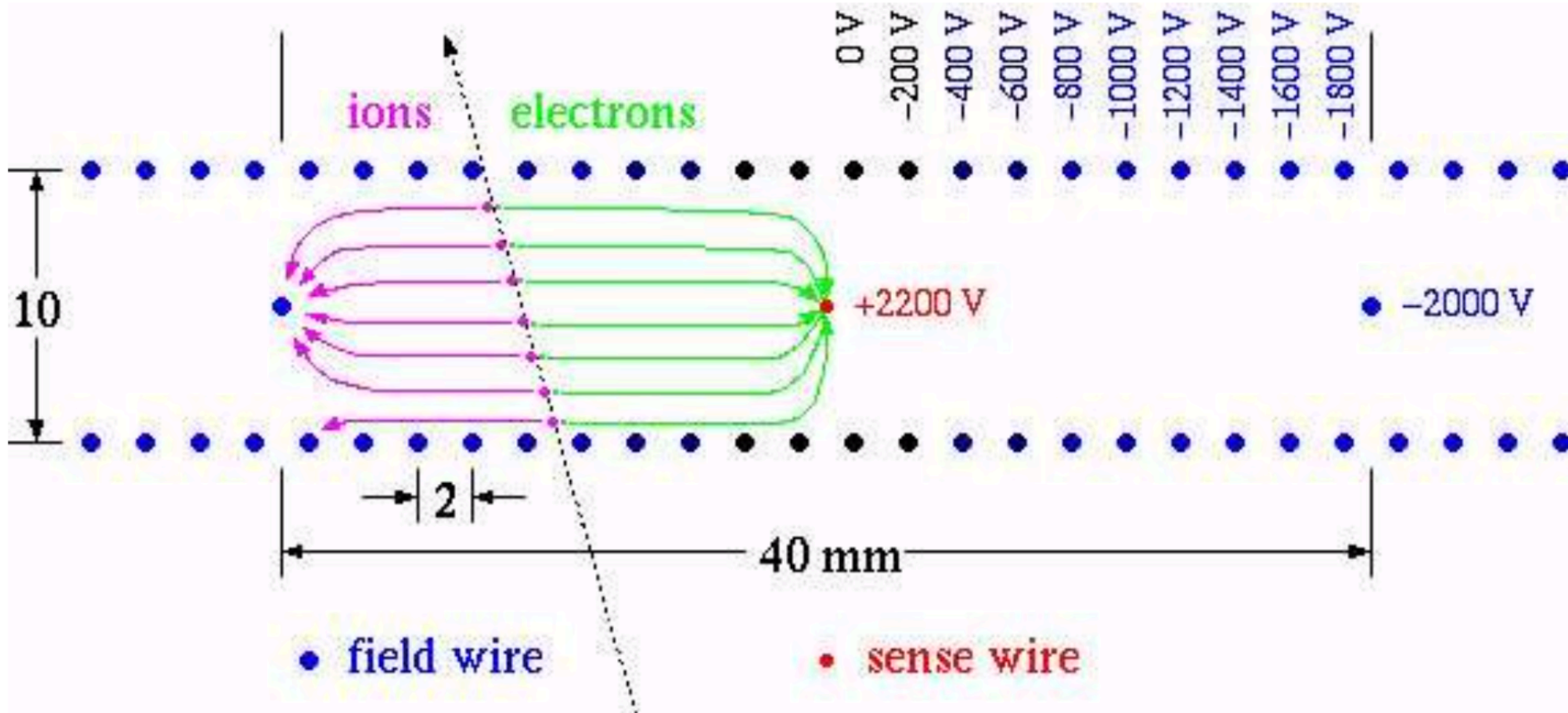


Calorimeters measure all other particles

# CDF Particle Detector – Drift Chamber



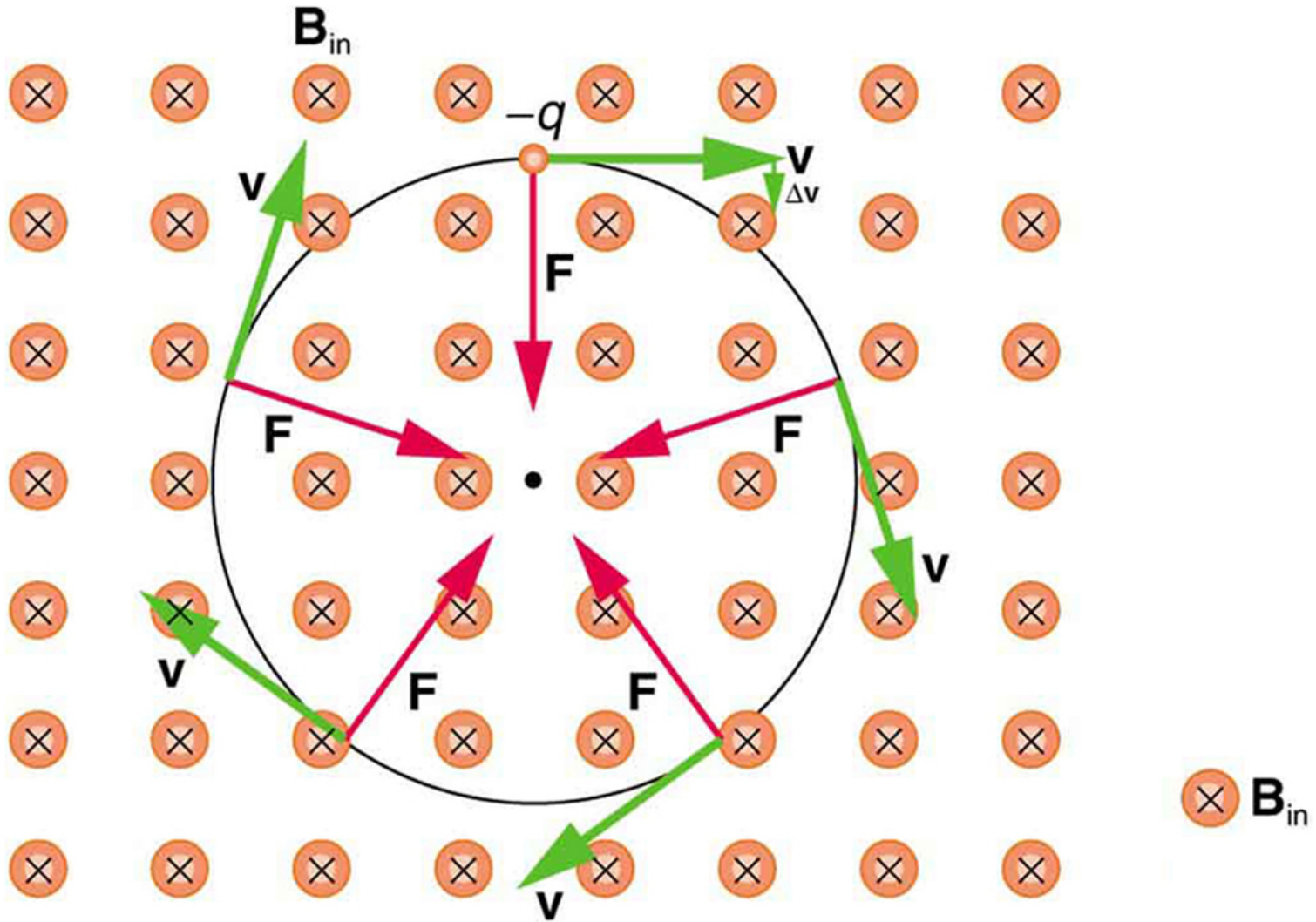
# Drift Chamber Operation



Records the position of the charged particle as it passes near the high-voltage sense wire

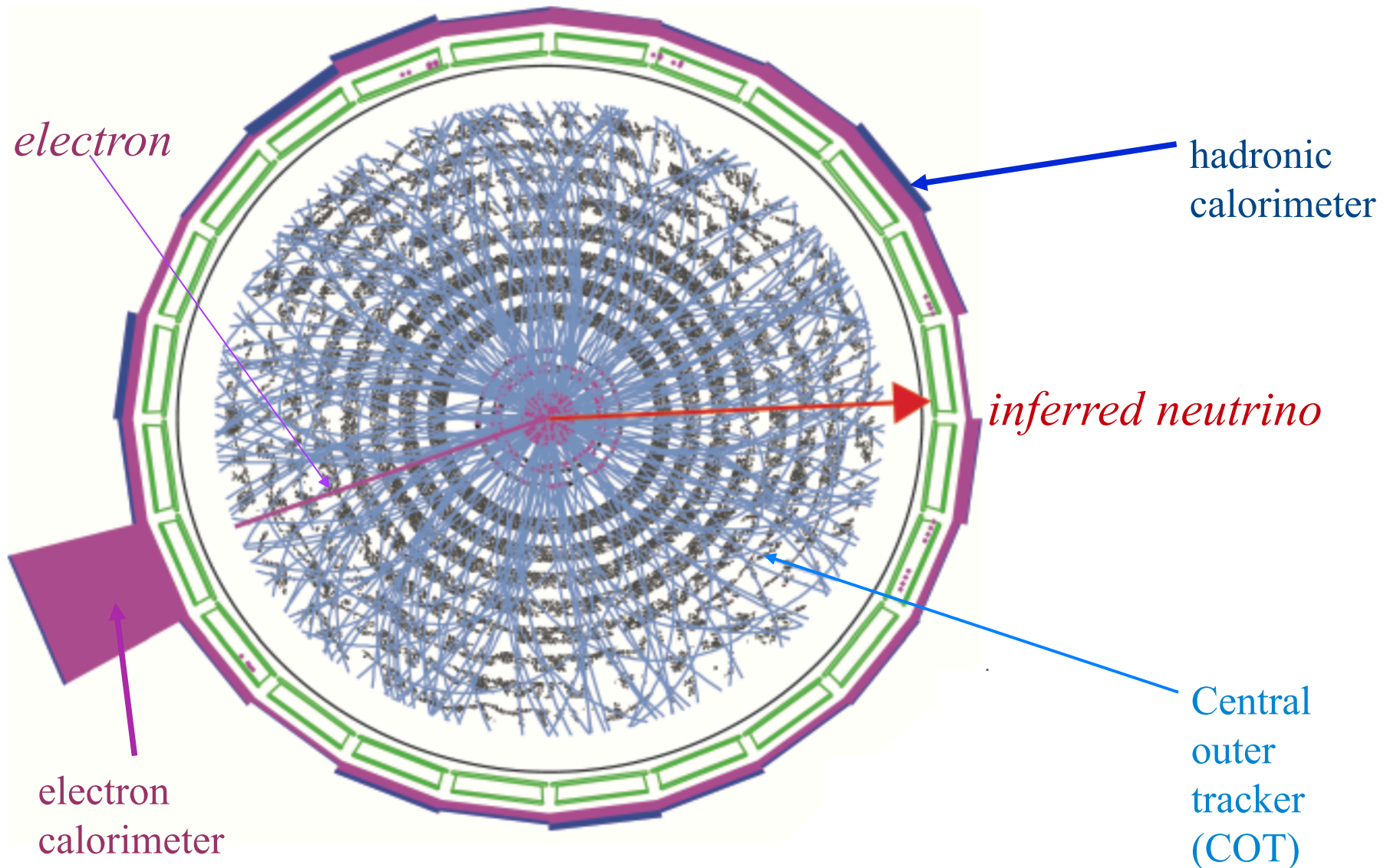
$$\text{drift time} \times \text{drift velocity} = \text{drift distance}$$

# Charged Particle in Magnetic Field



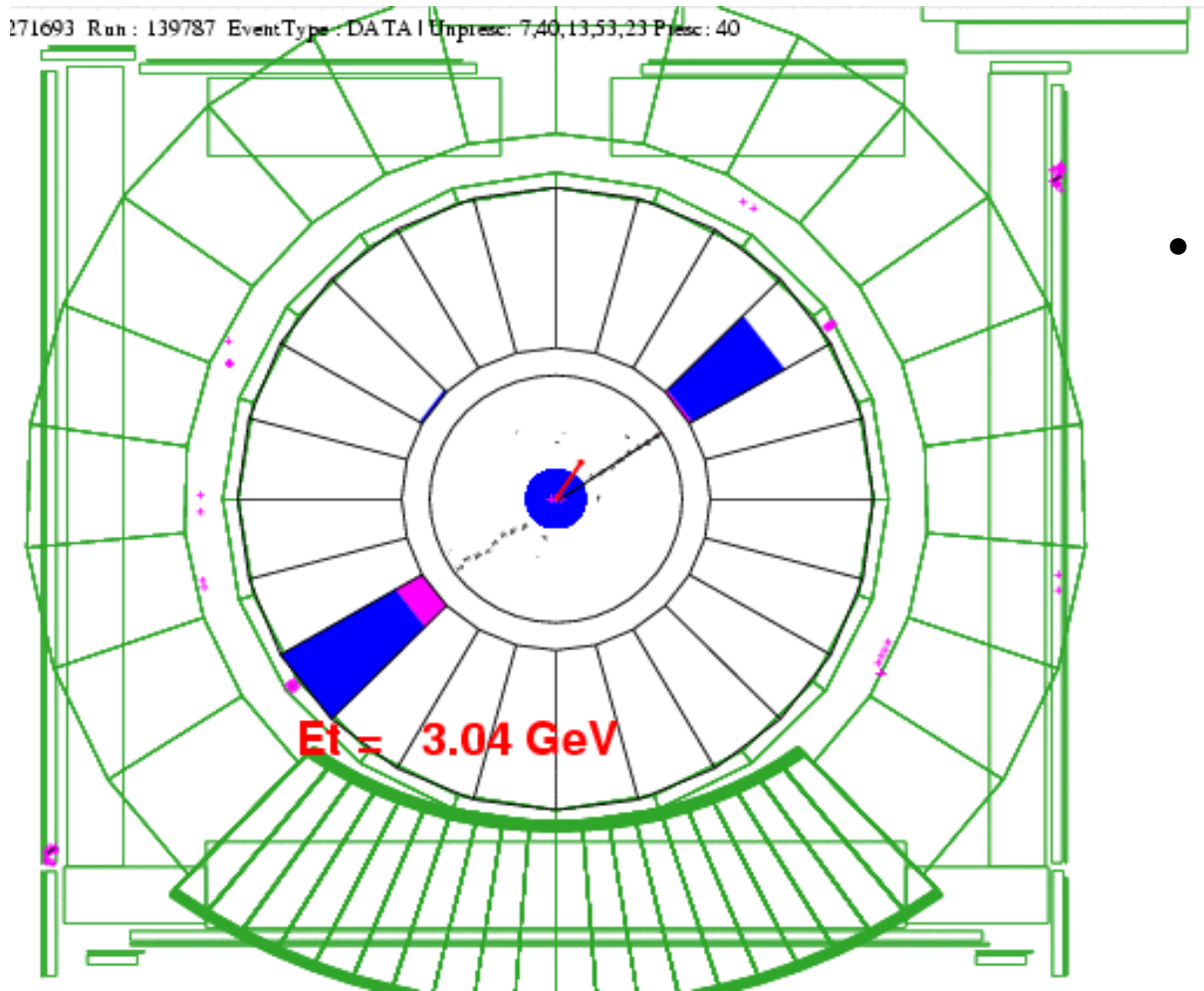
Circular trajectory of a charged particle in a perpendicular magnetic field

# W boson Production Event



# Measurement of Drift Chamber Wire Positions

- Use cosmic rays for wire-by-wire position measurements

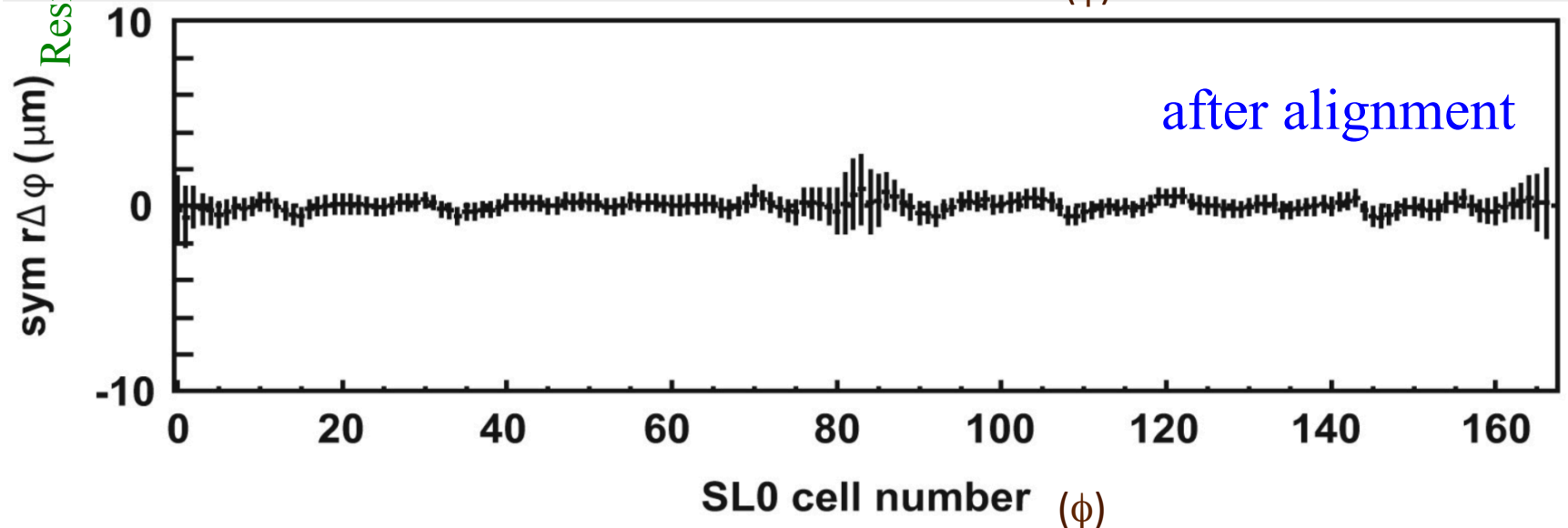
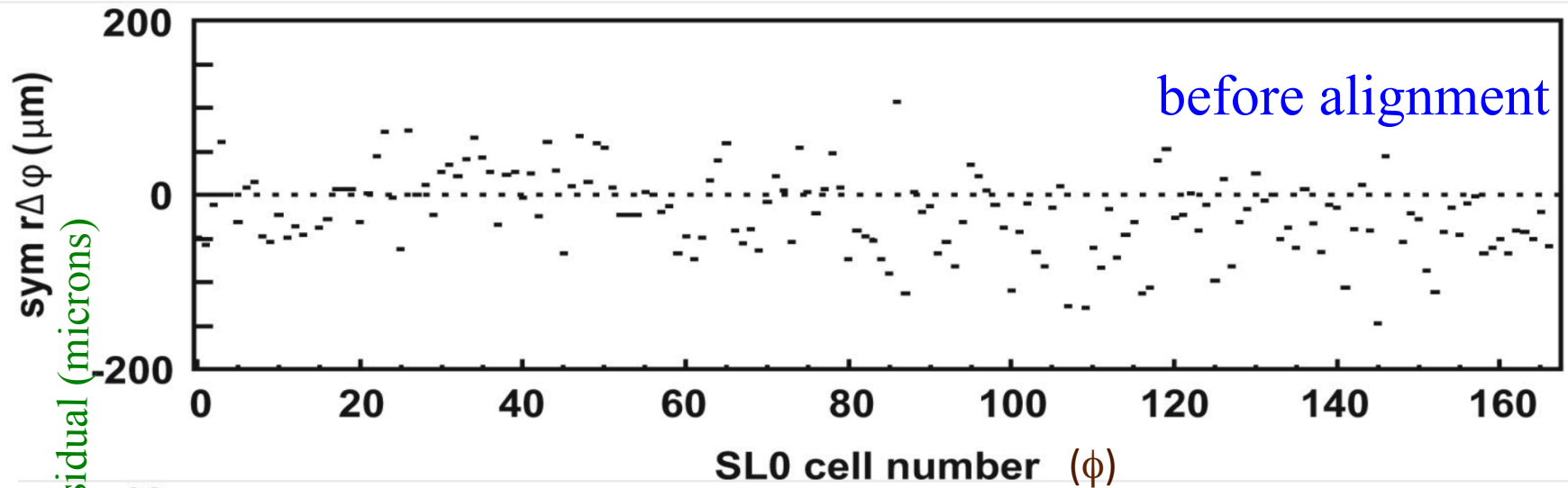


- Fit points on both sides simultaneously to a single helix  
(Ashutosh V. Kotwal ,  
H. Gerberich and C. Hays,  
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# Accuracy of Position Measurements

(Ashutosh V. Kotwal & Chris Hays, *NIMA* 762 (2014) pp 85-99)

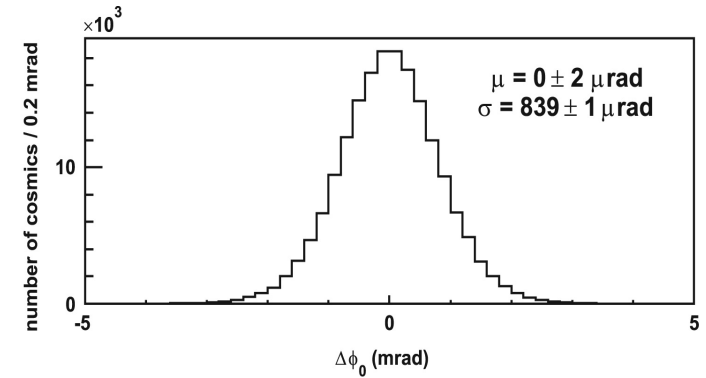
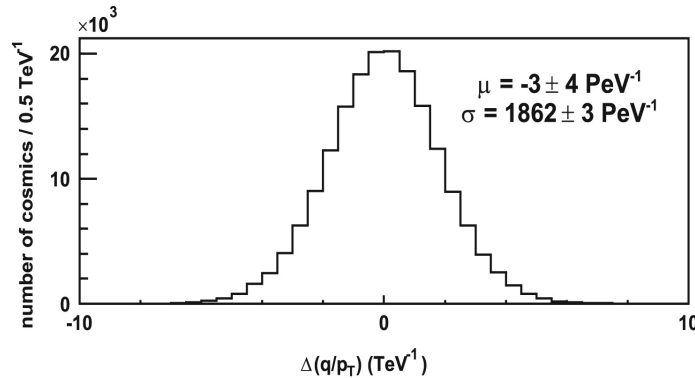


- Final position accuracy of 1  $\mu\text{m}$  (initially 50  $\mu\text{m}$ )

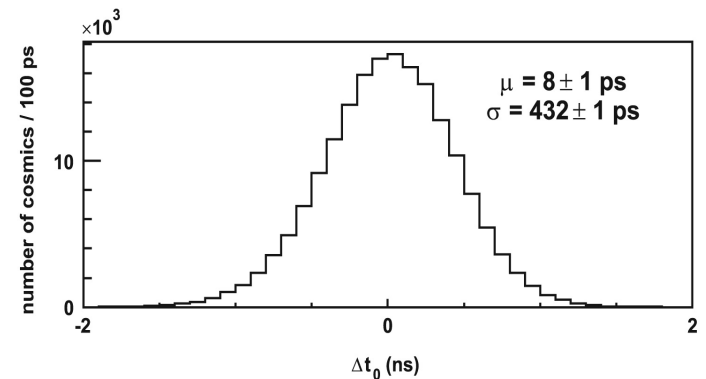
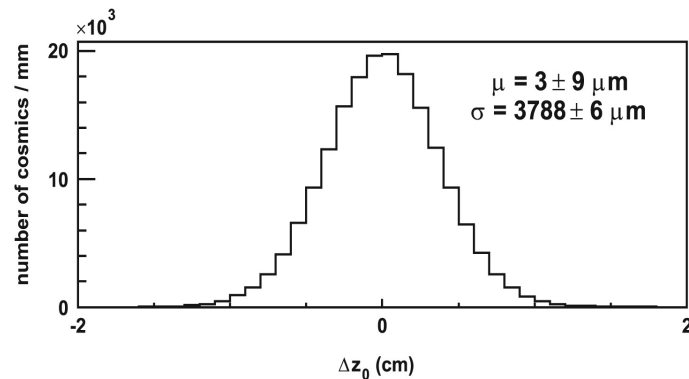
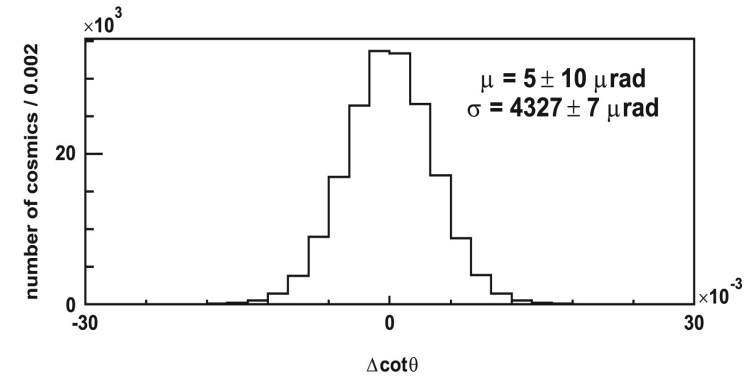
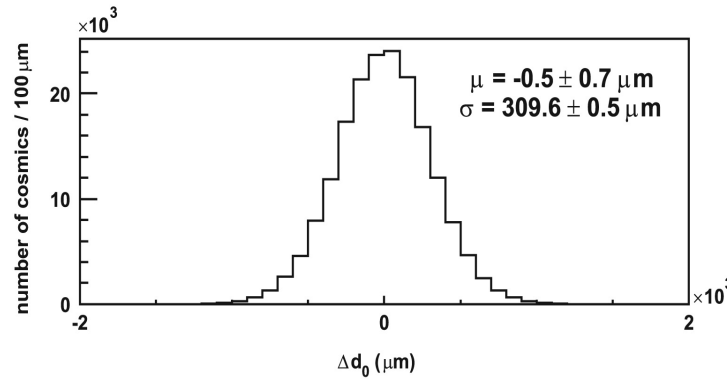
# Consistency of alignment procedure

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Fit separate helices to cosmic ray tracks



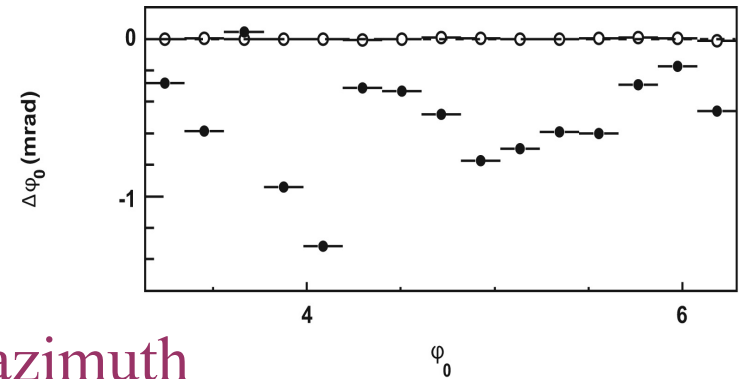
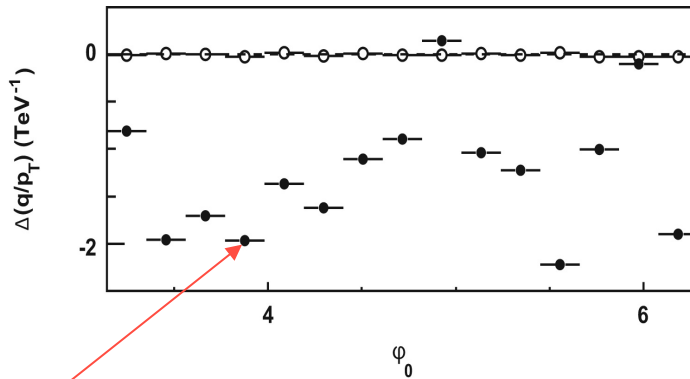
Compare track parameters of the two tracks: a measure of track parameter bias



# Consistency of alignment procedure

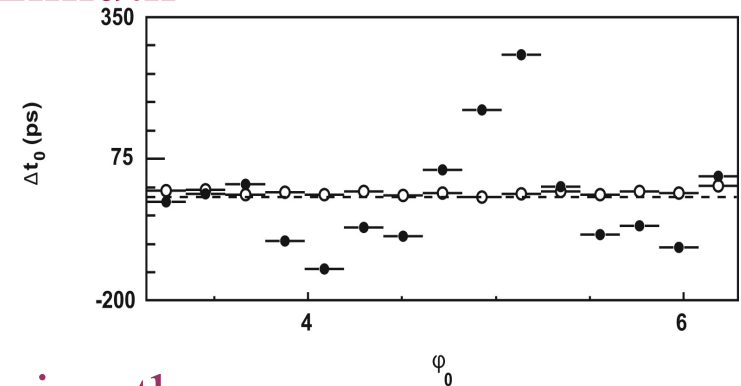
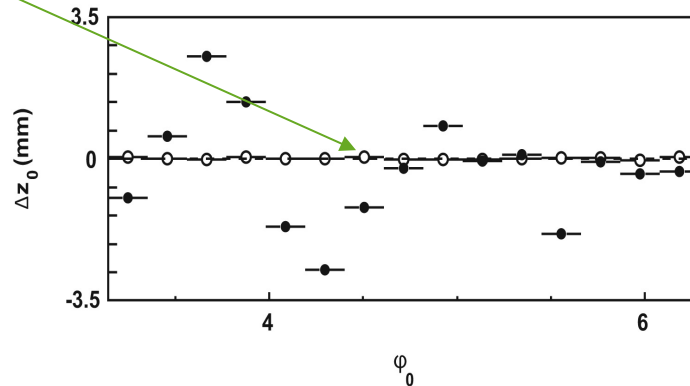
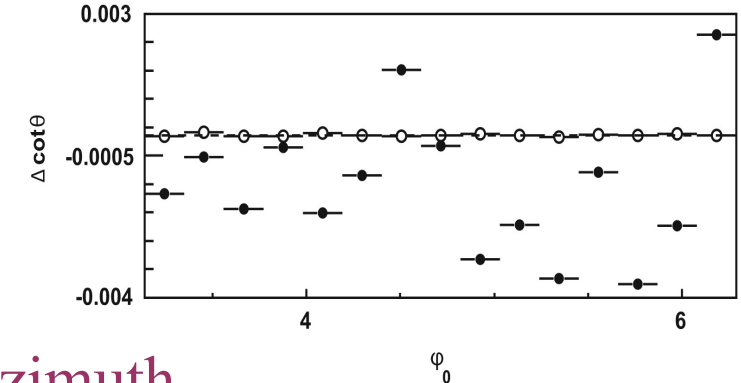
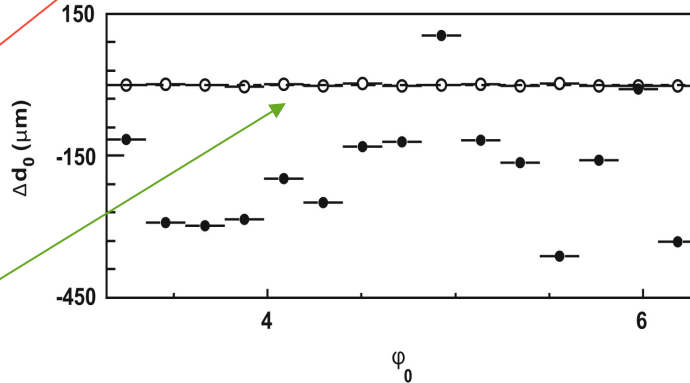
(Ashutosh V. Kotwal & Chris Hays, *NIM A* 762 (2014) pp 85-99)

track parameter  
bias versus  
azimuth



solid = before  
alignment

open = after  
alignment



azimuth

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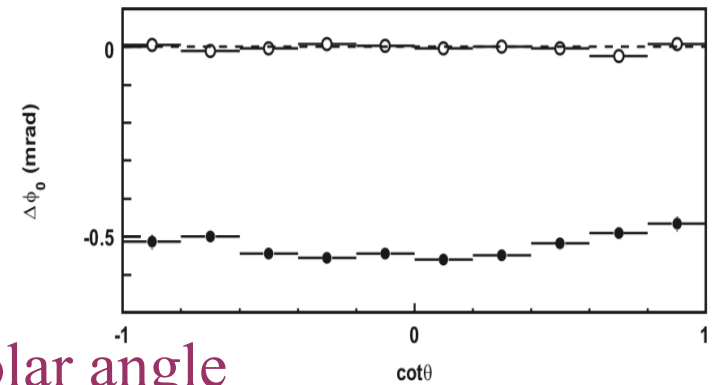
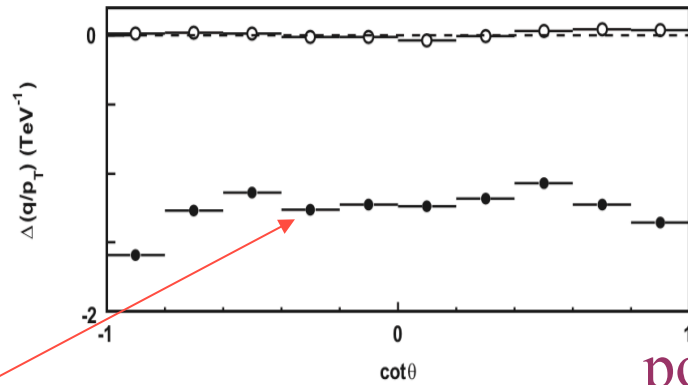
# Consistency check of alignment procedure

(AVK & CH, *NIM A* 762 (2014) pp 85-99)

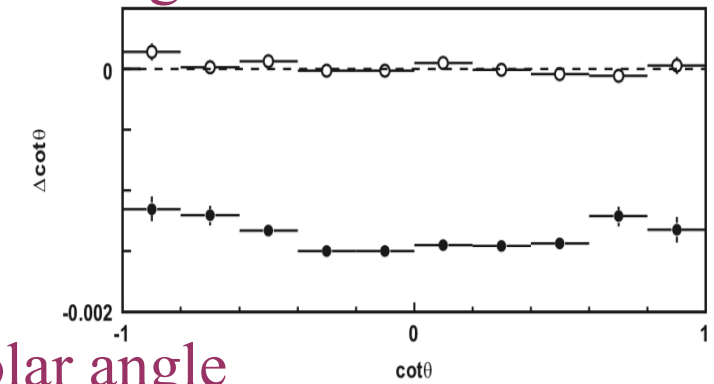
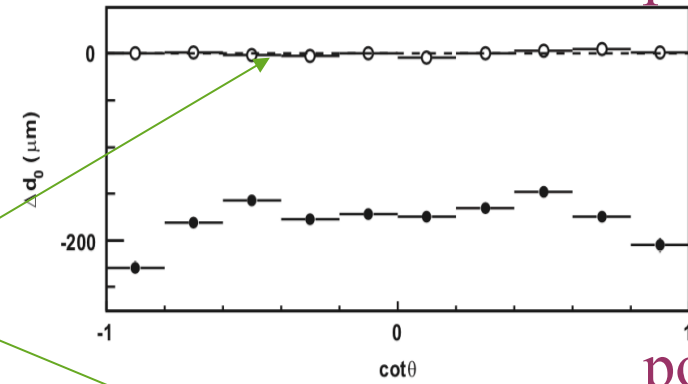
track parameter  
bias versus  
polar angle

solid = before  
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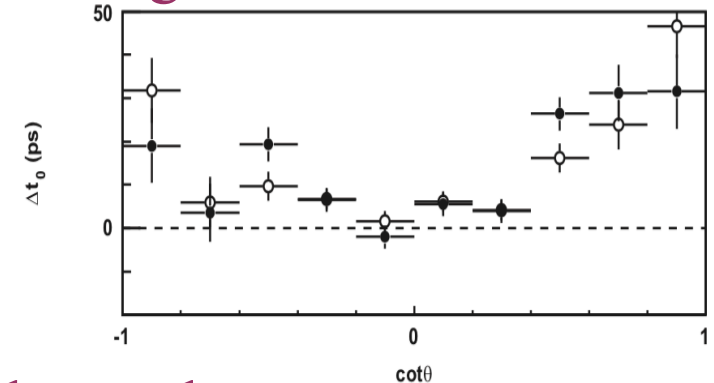
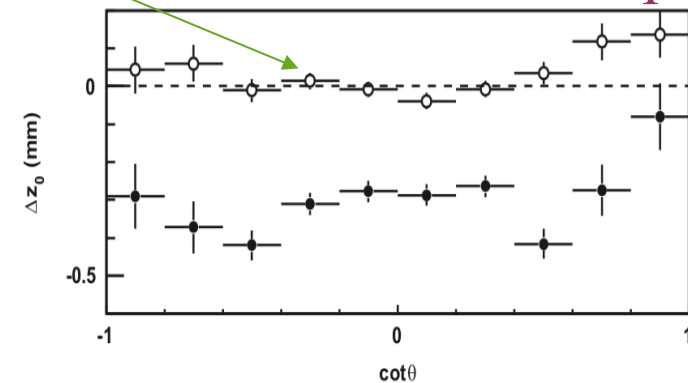
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polar angle

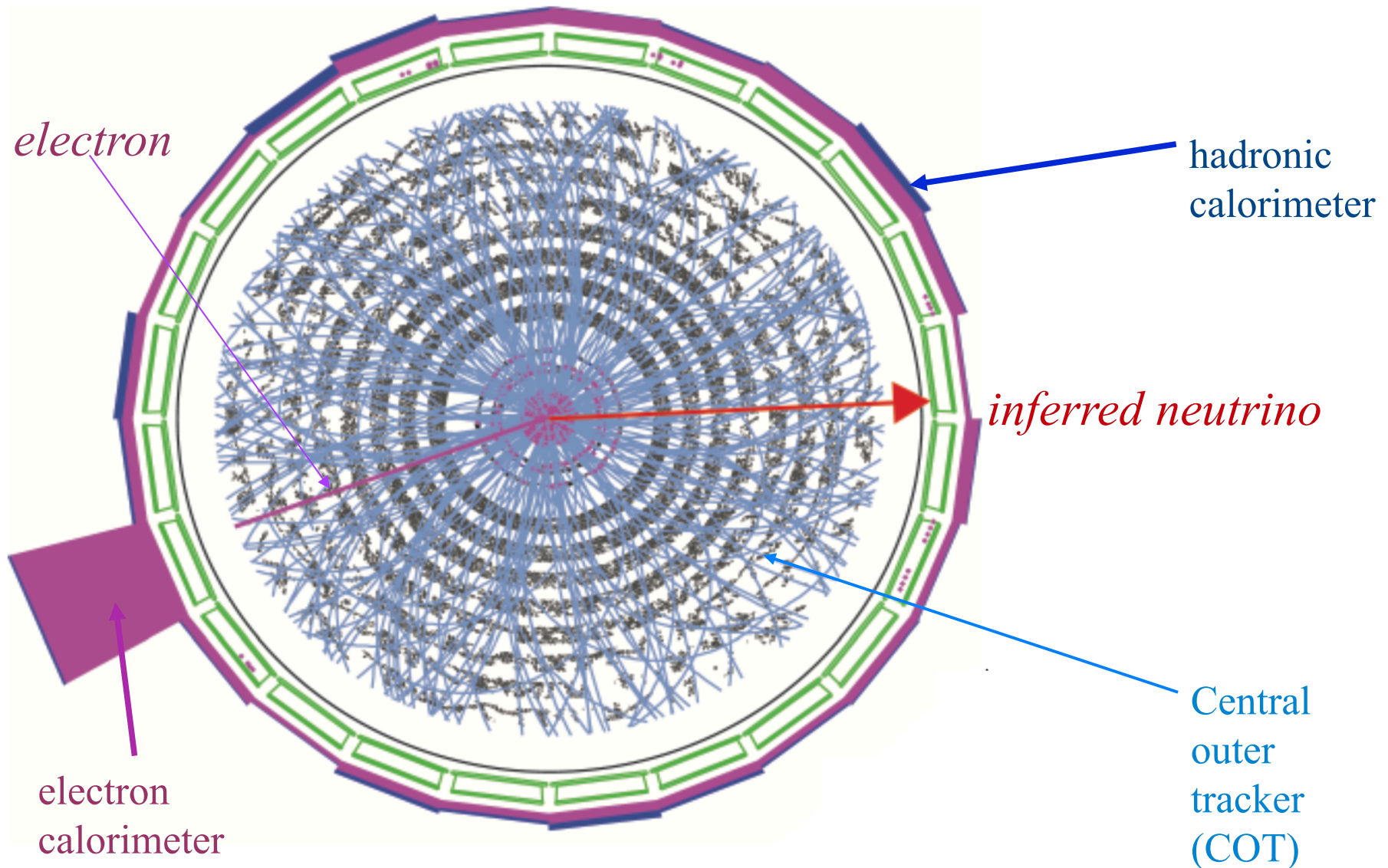


polar angle



polar angle

# W boson Production Event

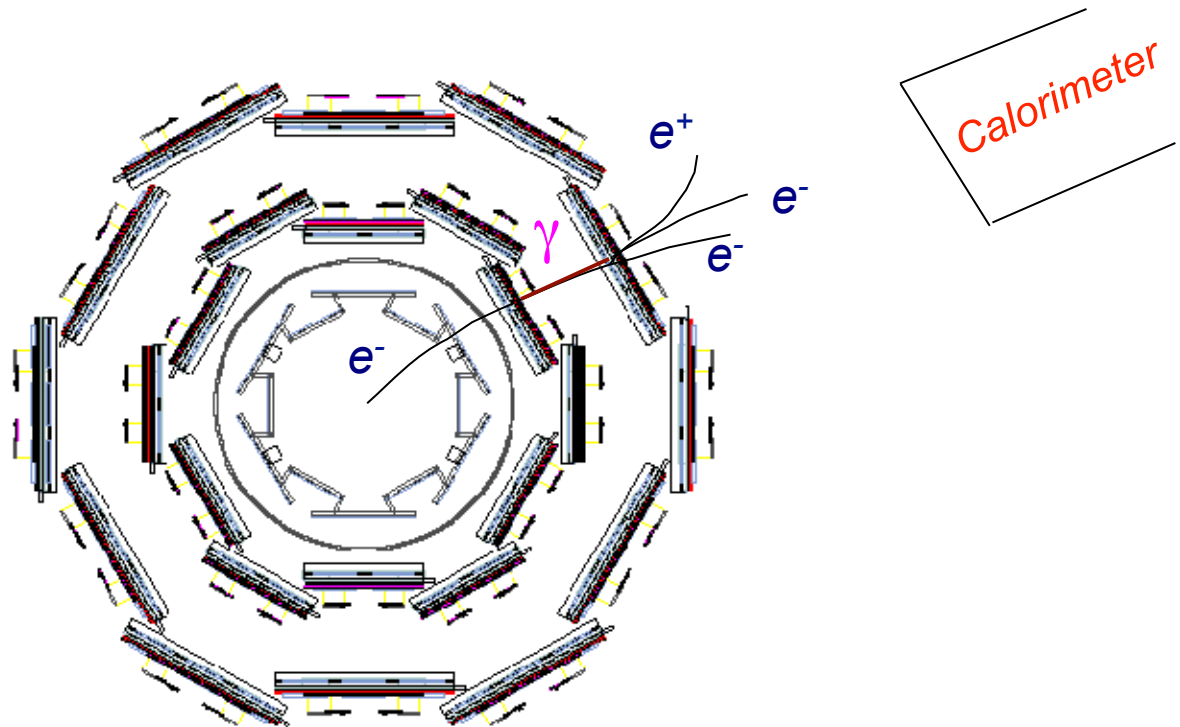


# Custom Monte Carlo Detector Simulation

- A complete detector simulation of all quantities measured in the data
- First-principles simulation of tracking
  - particles propagated through a high-resolution map of material properties
  - At each material interaction, calculate
    - Ionization energy loss according to detailed formulae and Landau distribution
    - Generate bremsstrahlung photons using detailed cross section and spectrum calculations
    - Simulate photon conversion and Compton scattering
    - Propagate bremsstrahlung photons and conversion electrons
    - Simulate multiple Coulomb scattering, including non-Gaussian tail
  - Simulate position measurements and perform full helix fit as with data

# Custom Monte Carlo Detector Simulation

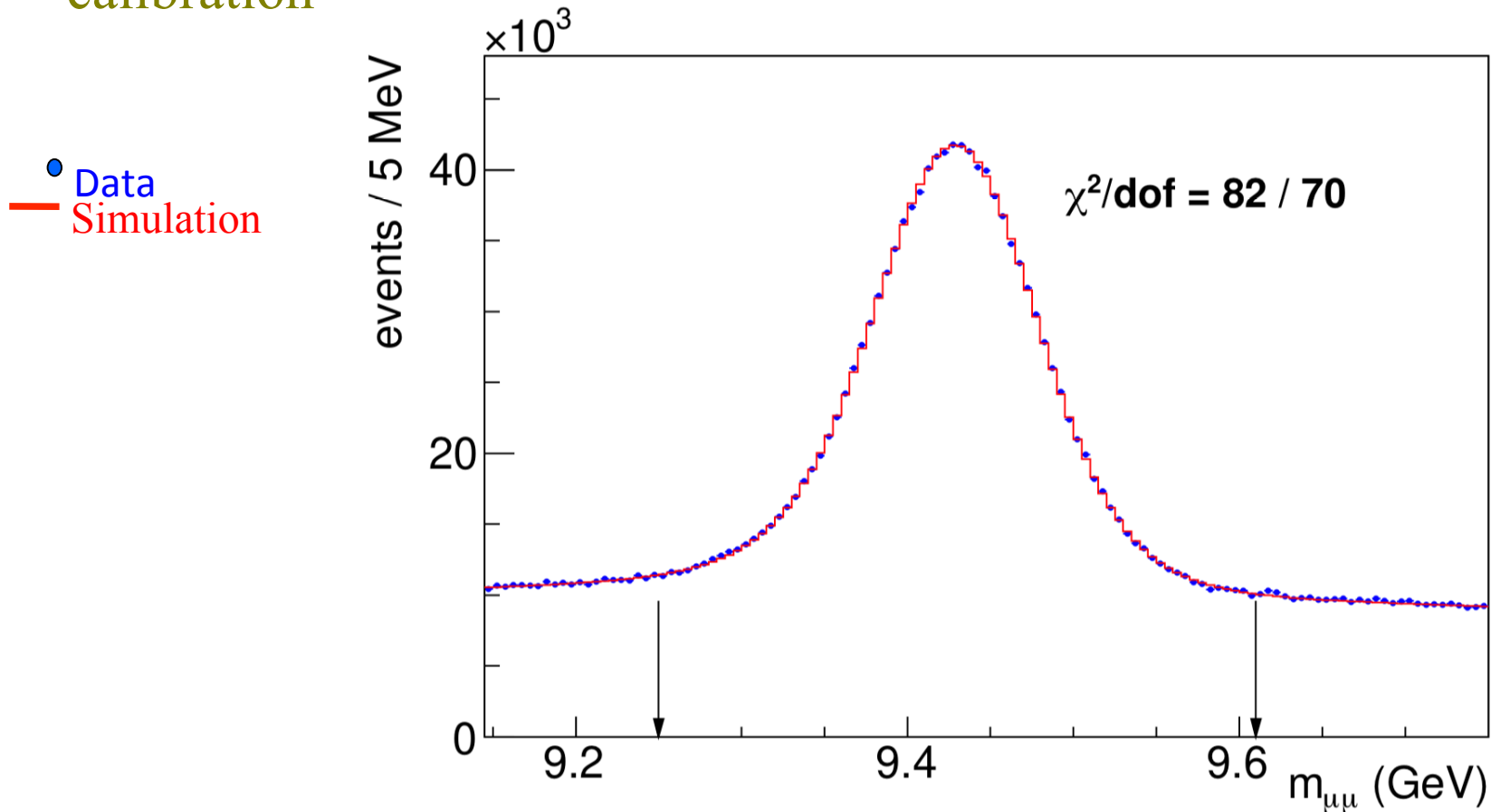
- A complete detector simulation of all quantities measured in the data
- First-principles simulation of tracking
  - particles propagated through a high-resolution 3-D lookup table of material properties for silicon detector and drift chamber



# Momentum Calibration

- Well-known  $\Upsilon$  (Upsilon) particle mass is measured and compared to previously known mass value

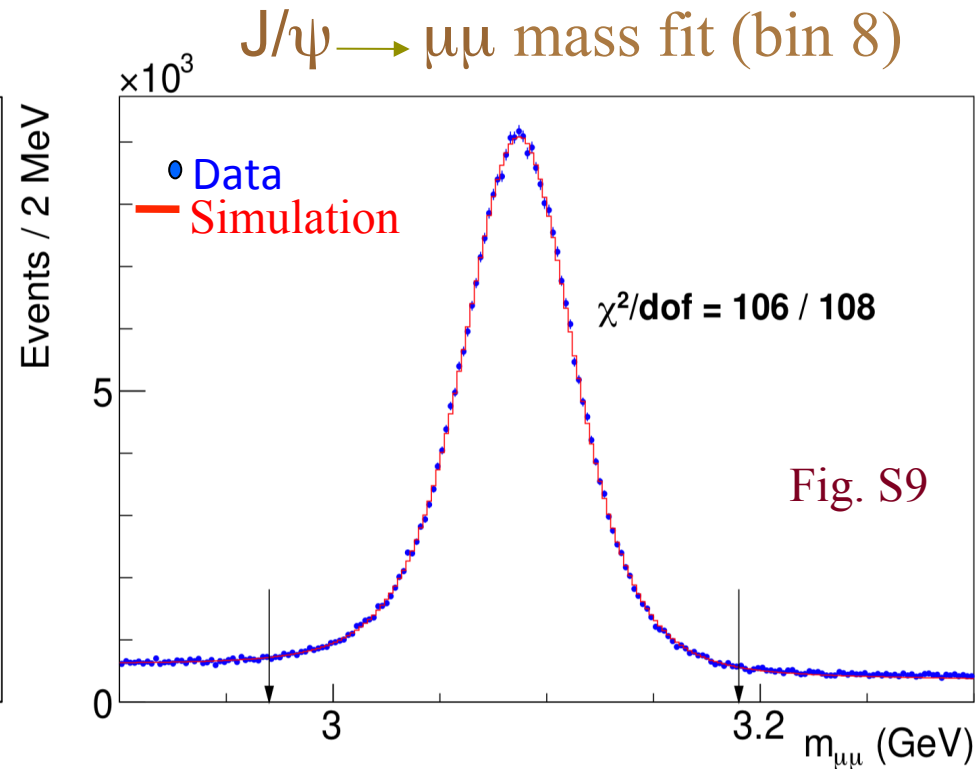
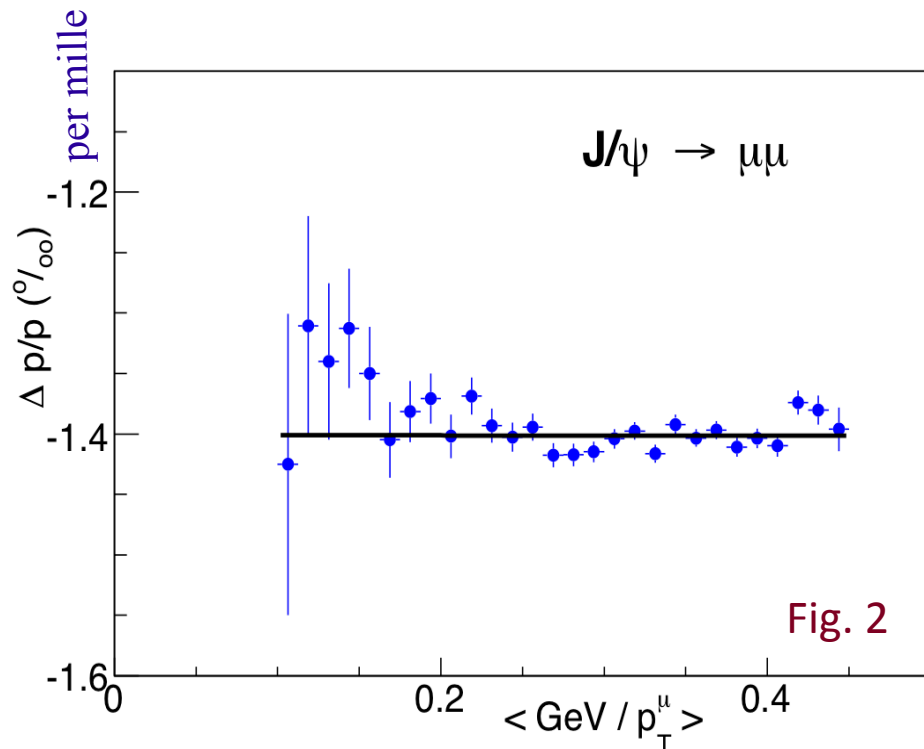
Achieved precision of 25 parts per million on momentum calibration





# Momentum Calibration

- Well-known  $J/\psi$  particle mass is measured and compared to previously known mass value
  - In bins of  $1/p_T(\mu)$  to simultaneously measure and correct for ionization energy loss




# Momentum Calibration Uncertainties

## Systematic uncertainties on momentum (parts per million)

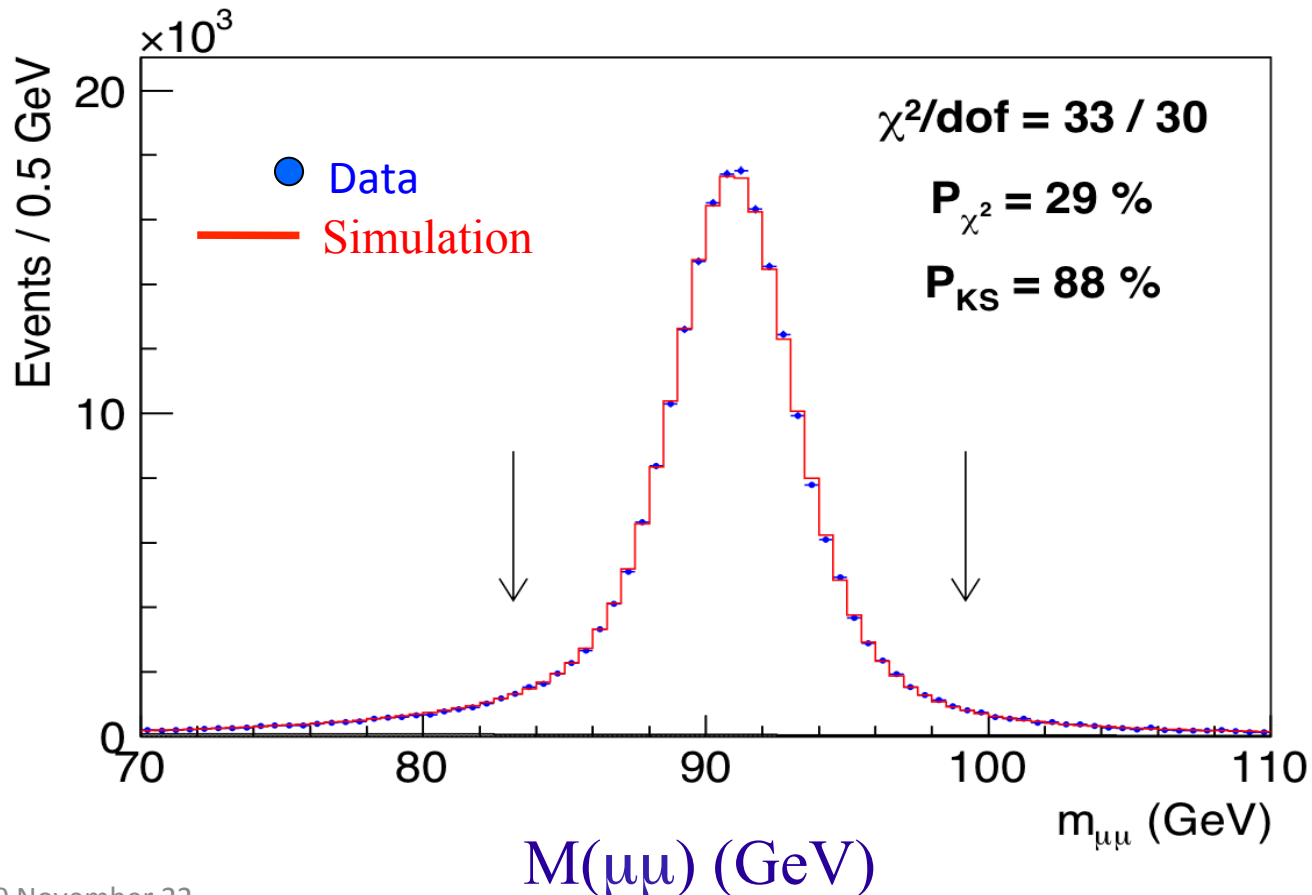
Source	$J/\psi$ (ppm)	$\Upsilon$ (ppm)	Correlation (%)
QED	1	1	100
Magnetic field non-uniformity	13	13	100
Ionizing material correction	11	8	100
Resolution model	10	1	100
Background model	7	6	0
COT alignment correction	4	8	0
Trigger efficiency	18	9	100
Fit range	2	1	100
$\Delta p/p$ step size	2	2	0
World-average mass value	4	27	0
Total systematic	29	34	16 ppm
Statistical NBC (BC)	2	13(10)	0
Total	29	36	16 ppm

Table S2


$$\Delta M_{W,Z} = 2 \text{ MeV}$$

## Proof of Momentum Calibration

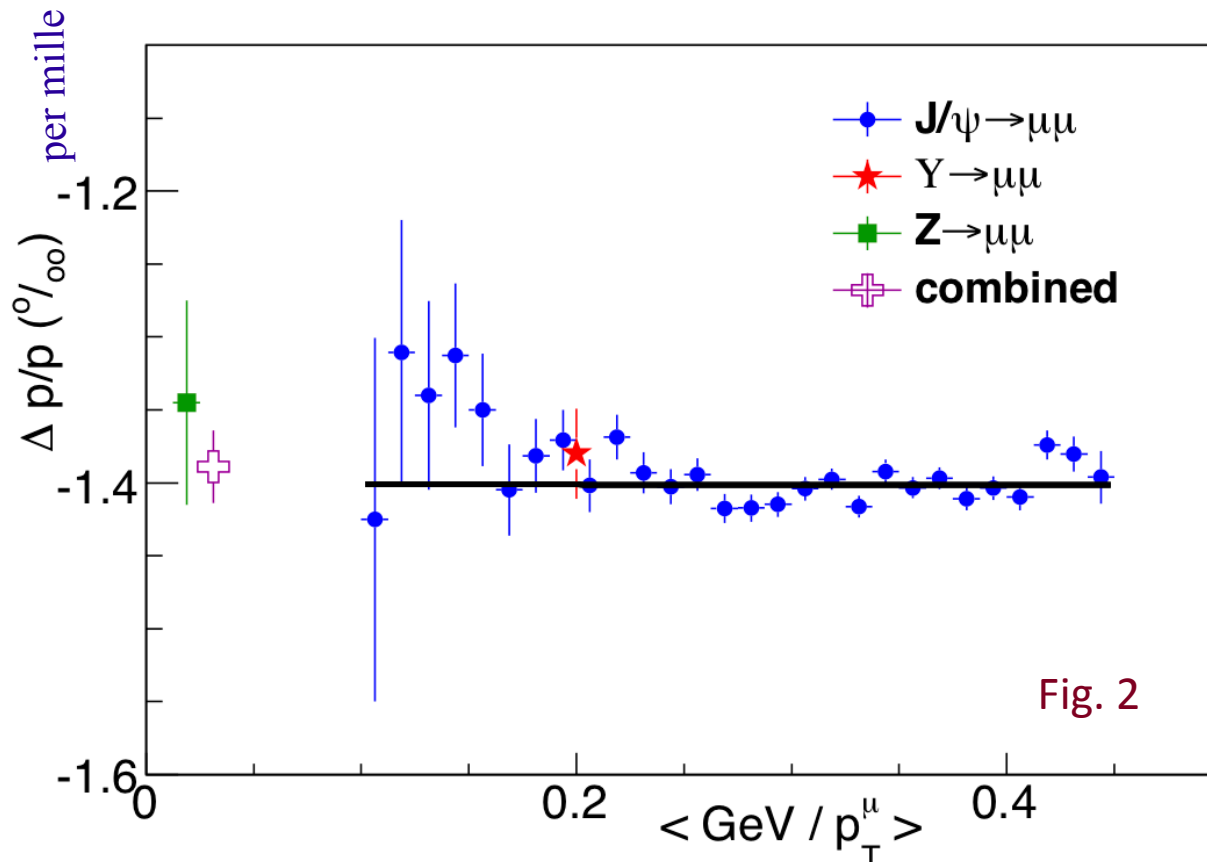
- We measure the Z boson mass and it agrees with previous measurement of 91188 MeV from CERN electron-positron collider
- We measure  $M_Z = 91192.0 \pm 7.5$  MeV



# Momentum Calibration

- Final calibration using the  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  and  $Z$  bosons for calibration
- Combined momentum calibration correction:

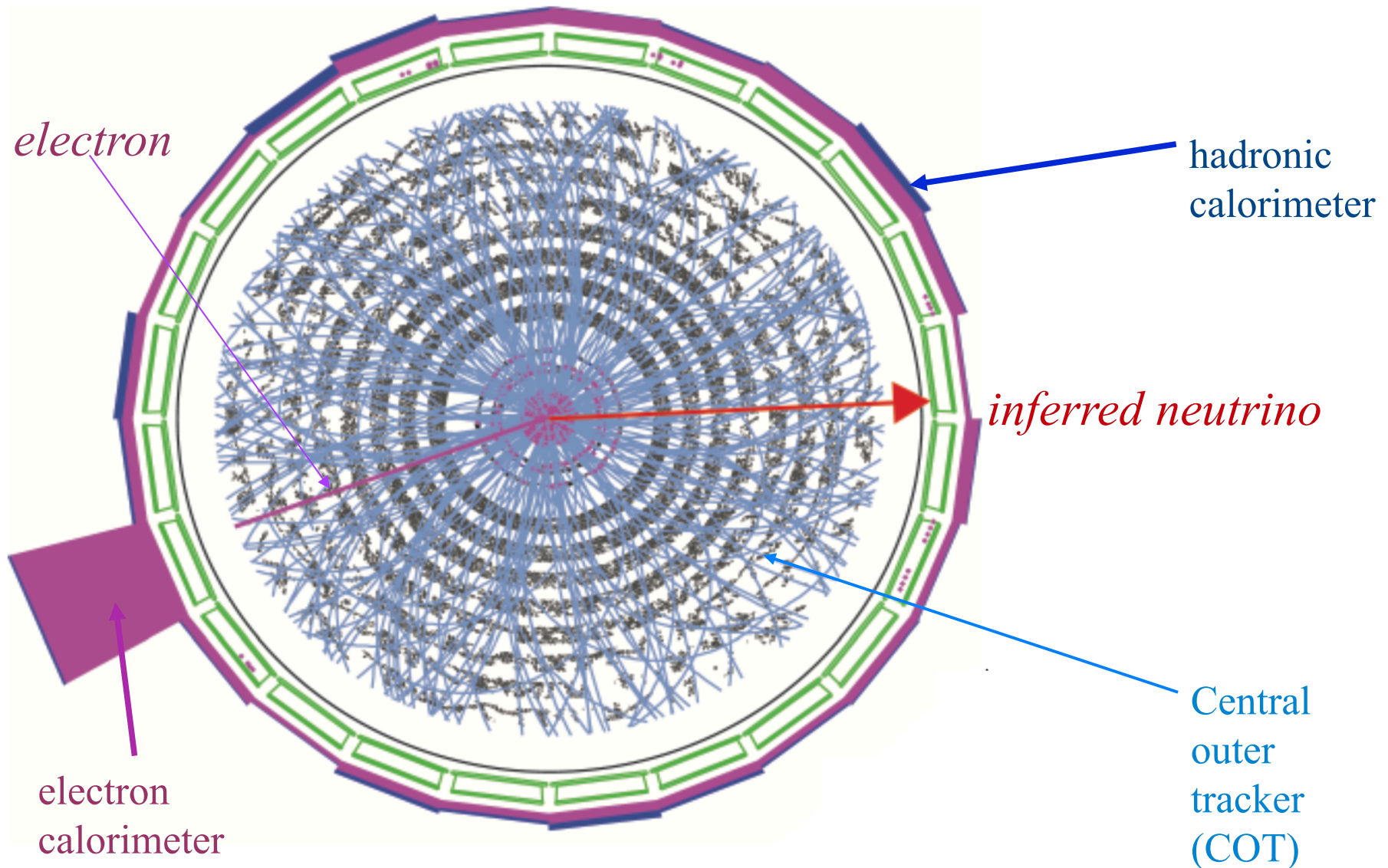
$$\Delta p/p = (-1389 \pm 25) \text{ parts per mille}$$



$$\Delta M_W = 2 \text{ MeV}$$

Fig. 2

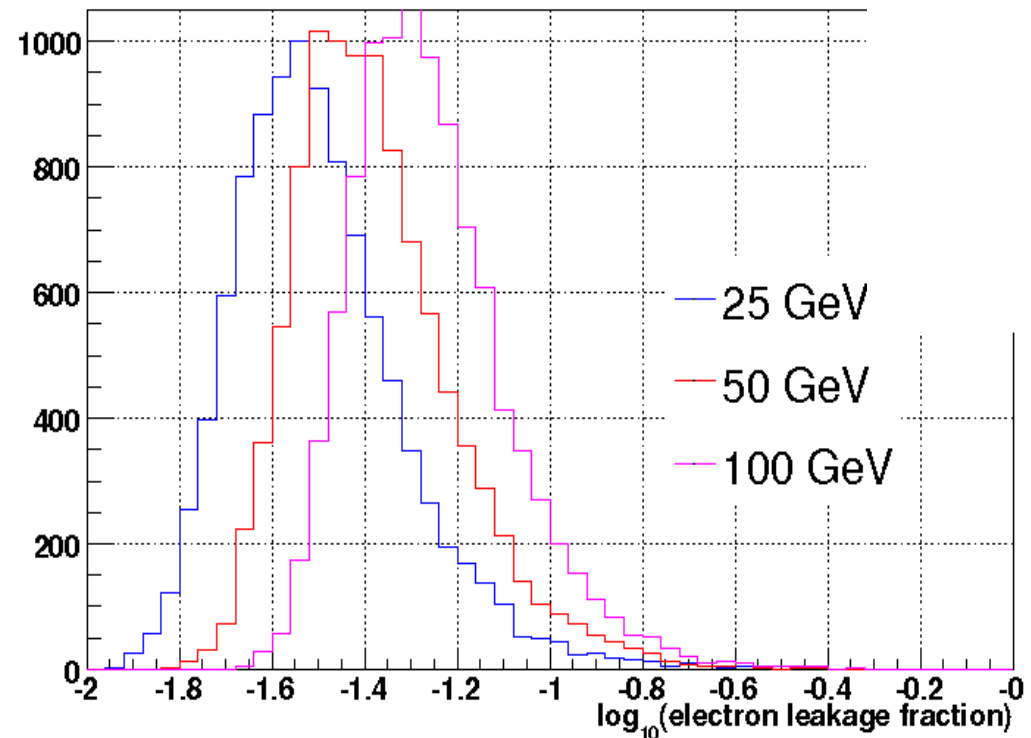
# W boson Production Event



# Calorimeter Simulation for Electrons and Photons

- Energy response calculated using detailed GEANT4 simulation of calorimeter

- Leakage of energy
- Absorption in upstream
- Dependence on incident angle and energy



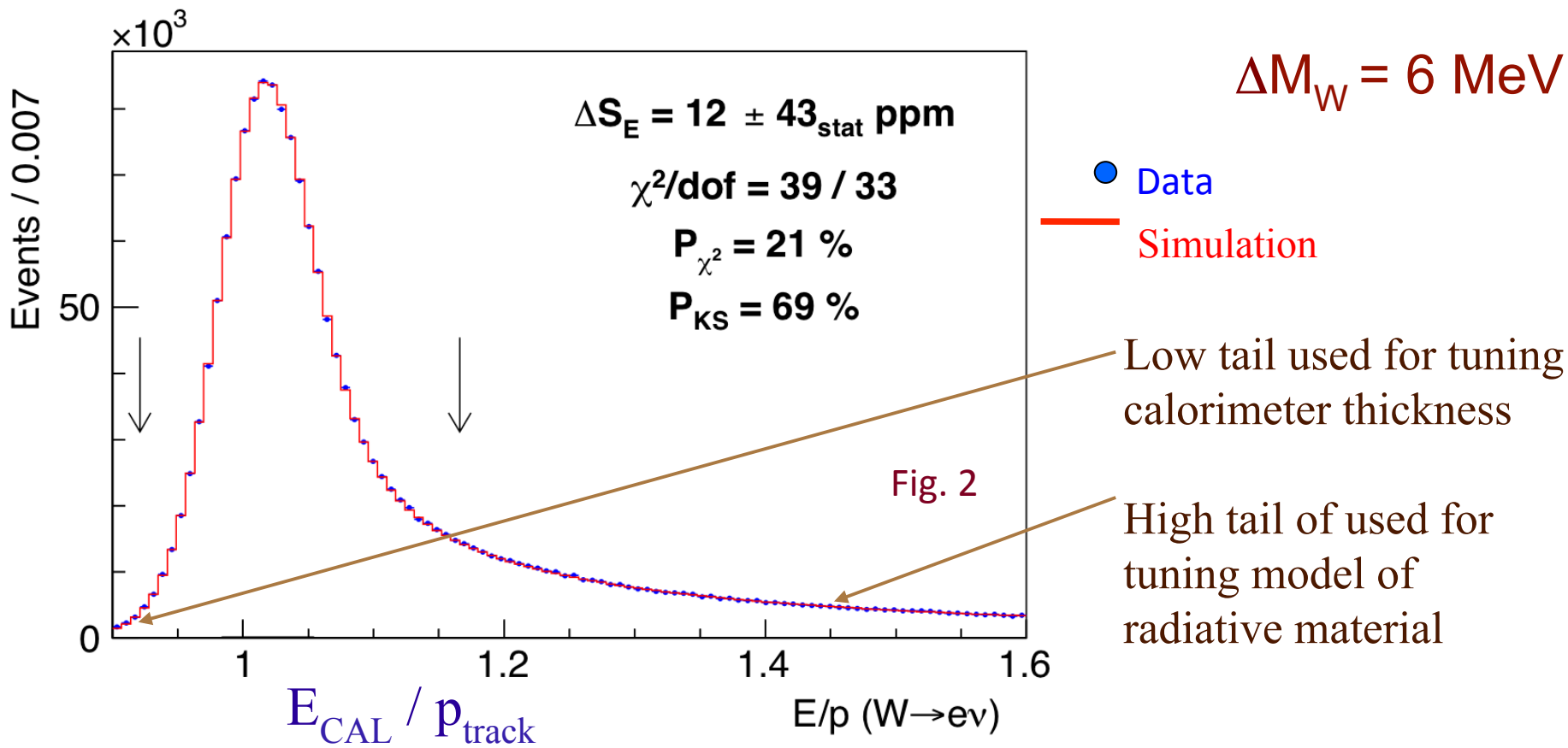
(AVK & CH, *NIM A* 729 (2013) pp 25-35)

- Parameters in the calculation are extracted from data

# Electron and Photon Calorimeter Calibration

- E/p peak from  $W \rightarrow e\nu$  decays provides measurement of calorimeter energy response, with the following uncertainties:

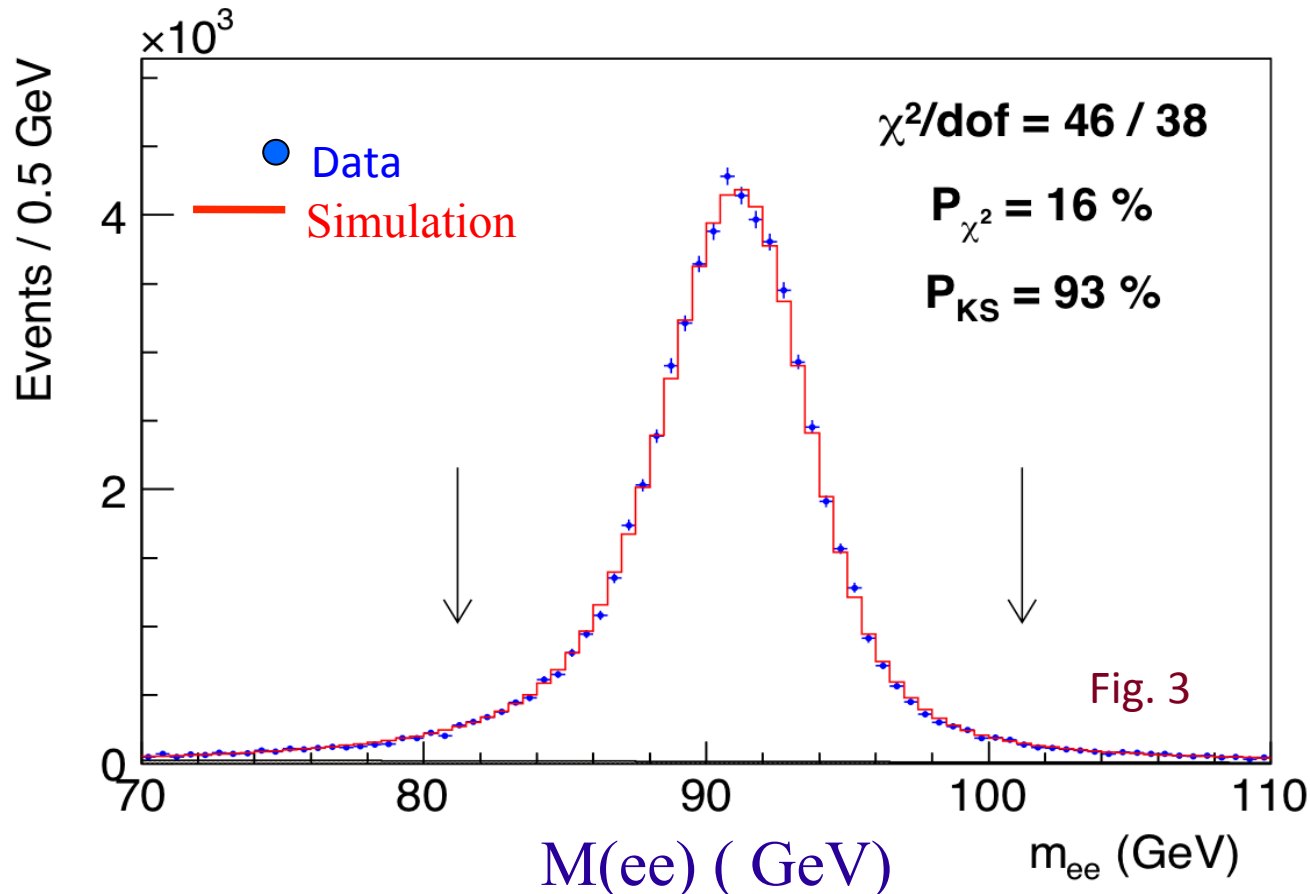
$$\Delta S_E = (43_{\text{stat}} \pm 30_{\text{non-linearity}} \pm 34_{X_0} \pm 45_{\text{Tracker}}) \text{ parts per million}$$



# Proof of Calorimeter Calibration using Z boson mass Measurement

Consistent with previous measurement from CERN (91188 MeV)

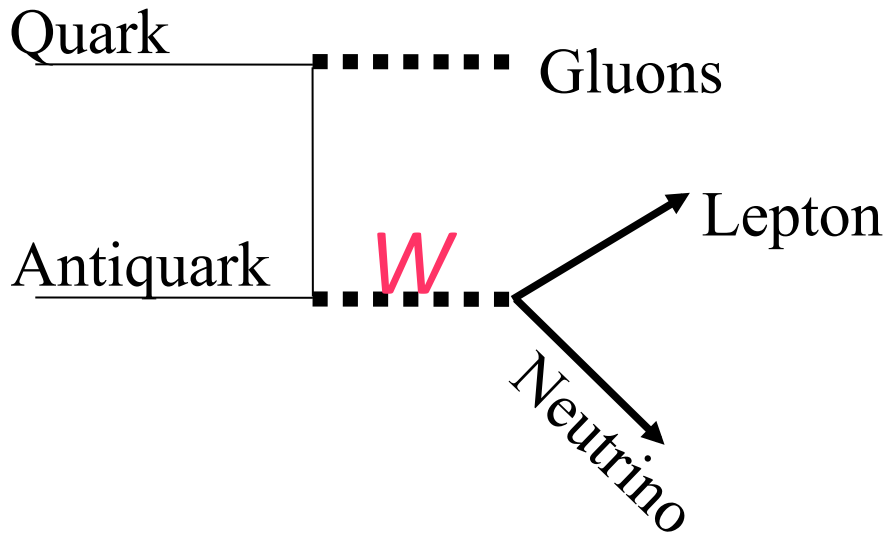
$$M_Z = 91194.3 \pm 13.8_{\text{stat}} \pm 6.5_{\text{calorimeter}} \pm 2.3_{\text{momentum}} \pm 3.1_{\text{QED}} \pm 0.8_{\text{alignment}} \text{ MeV}$$



$$\Delta M_W = 5.8 \text{ MeV}$$



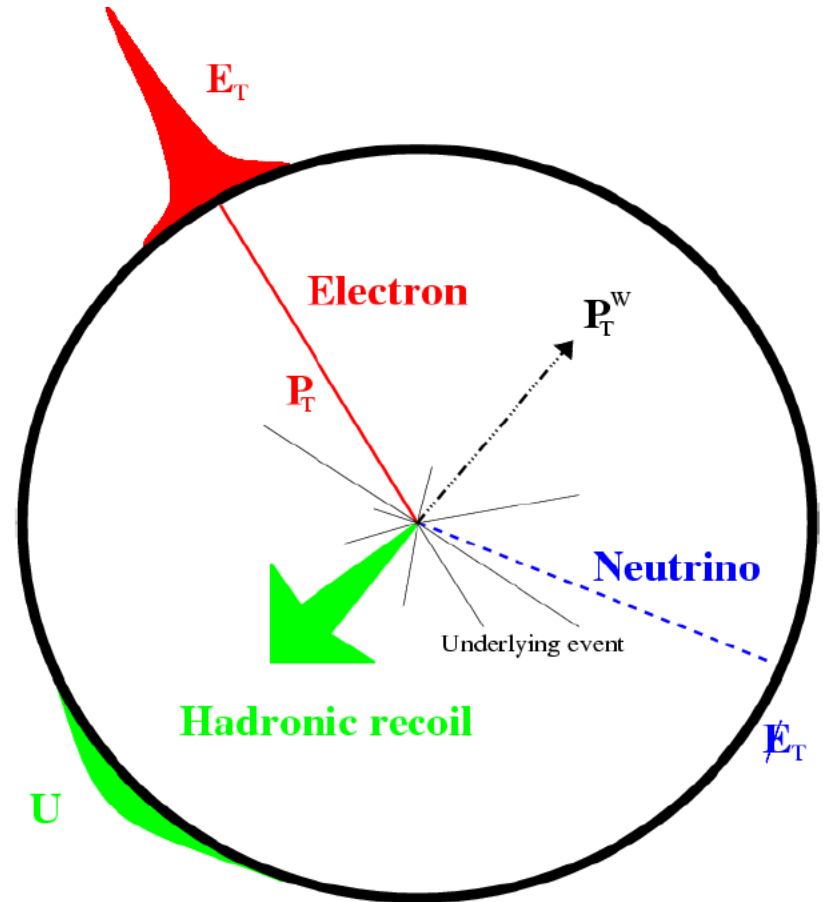
# W Boson Production in Proton-Antiproton Collisions



Quark-antiquark annihilation produces W boson

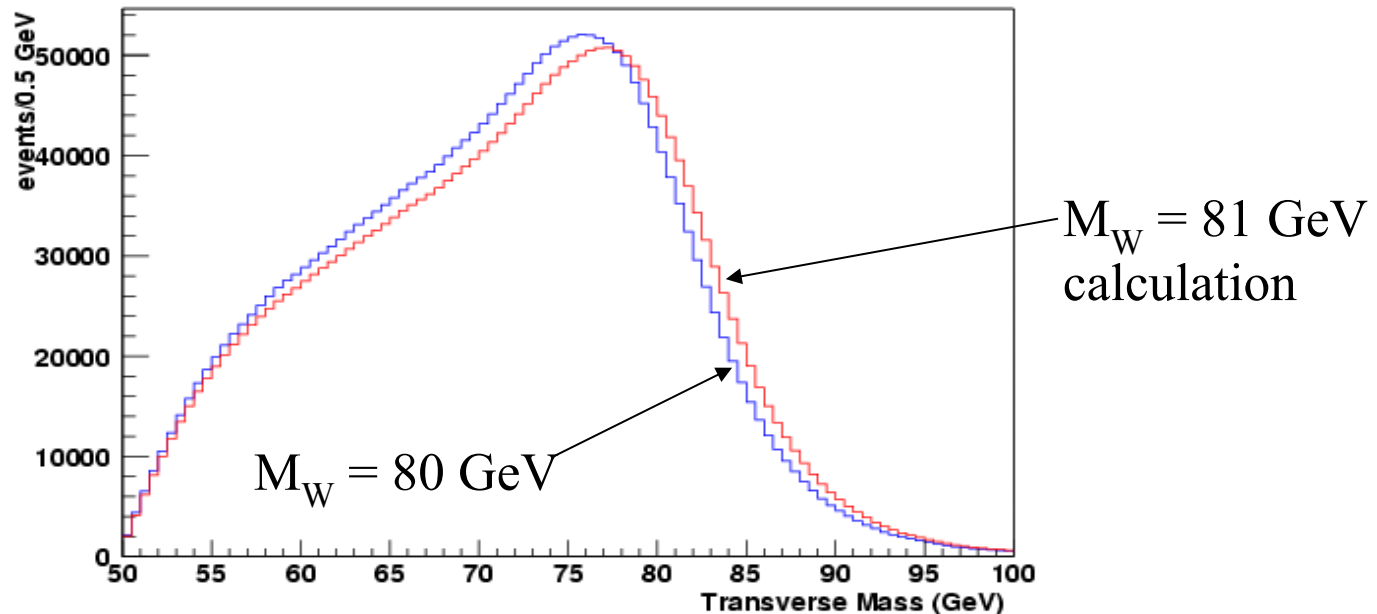
W boson decays to neutrino, accompanied by electron or muon

Lepton (electron or muon) momentum carries most of  $W$  mass information, can be measured precisely (achieved 0.004%)



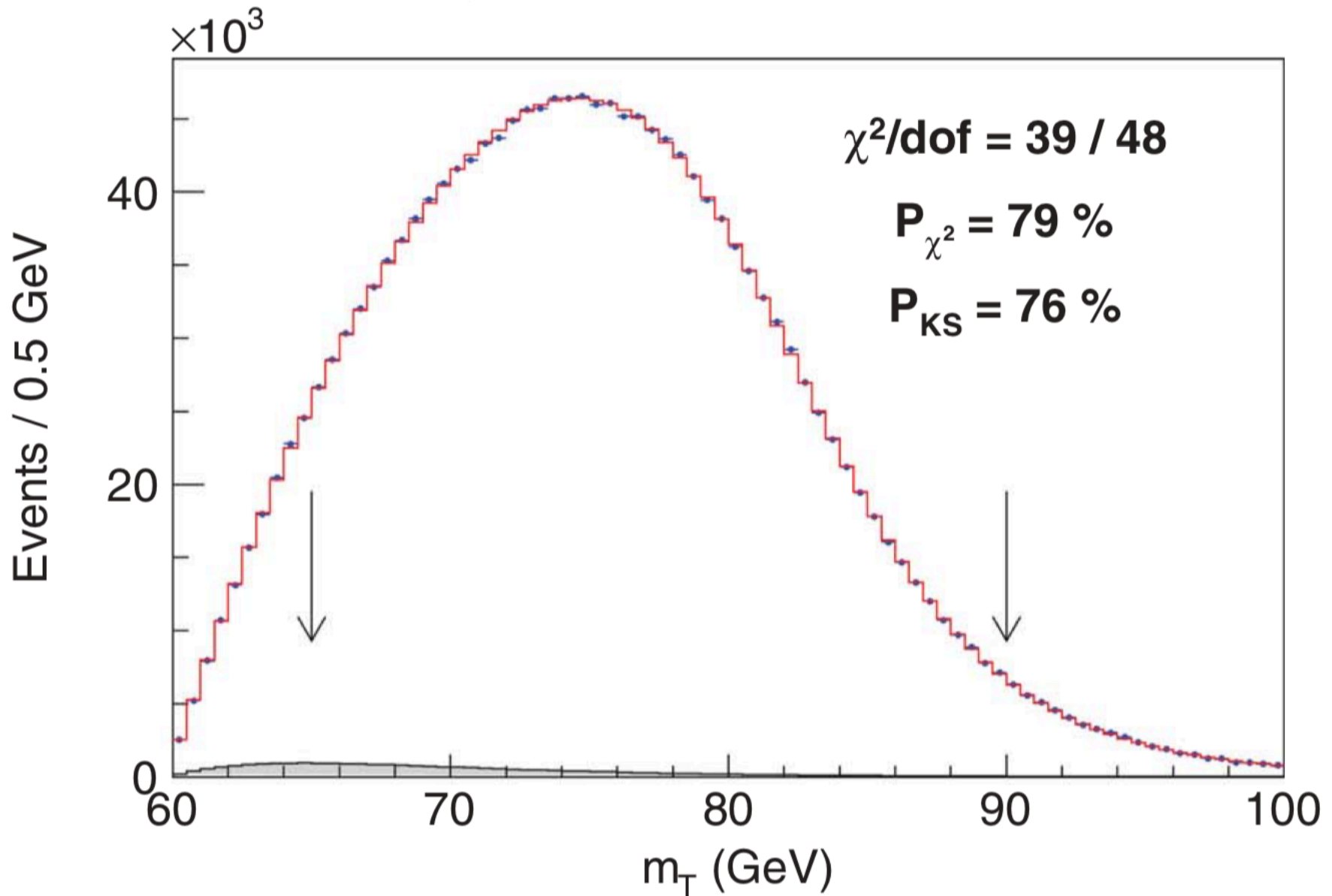
# Matching Calculated and Observed Distributions

- We perform a very accurate calculation of the momentum of the electron or muon emanating from the W boson decay
- We perform a very accurate comparison of this momentum distribution between the observed data and the calculation



- We used advanced statistical methods to quantify this comparison and infer the W boson mass

# Fit to Electron Momentum Distribution from $W$ boson decay



# W Boson Mass Fits

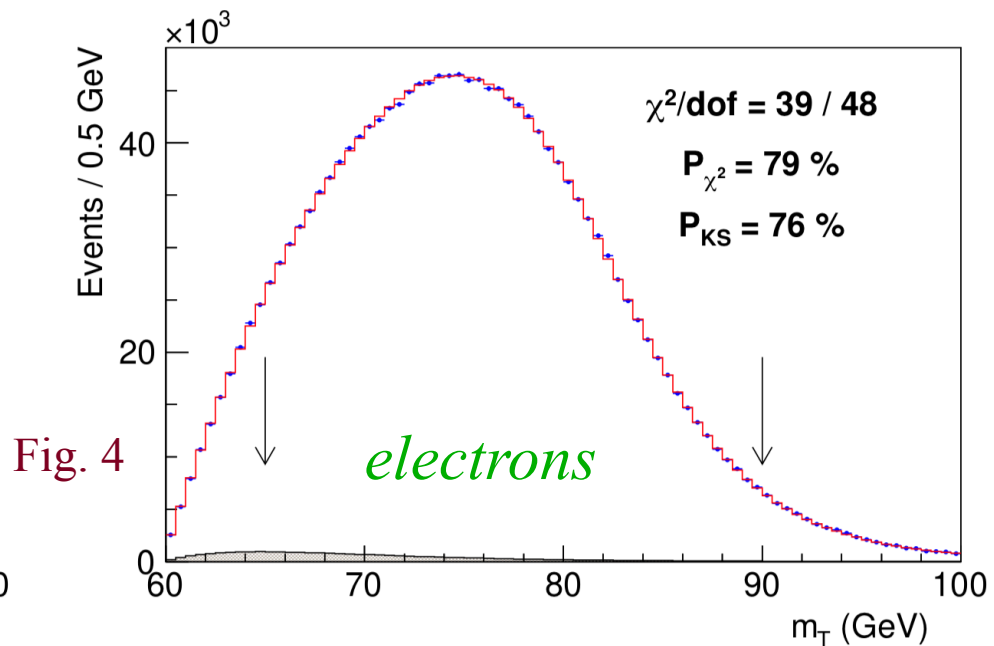
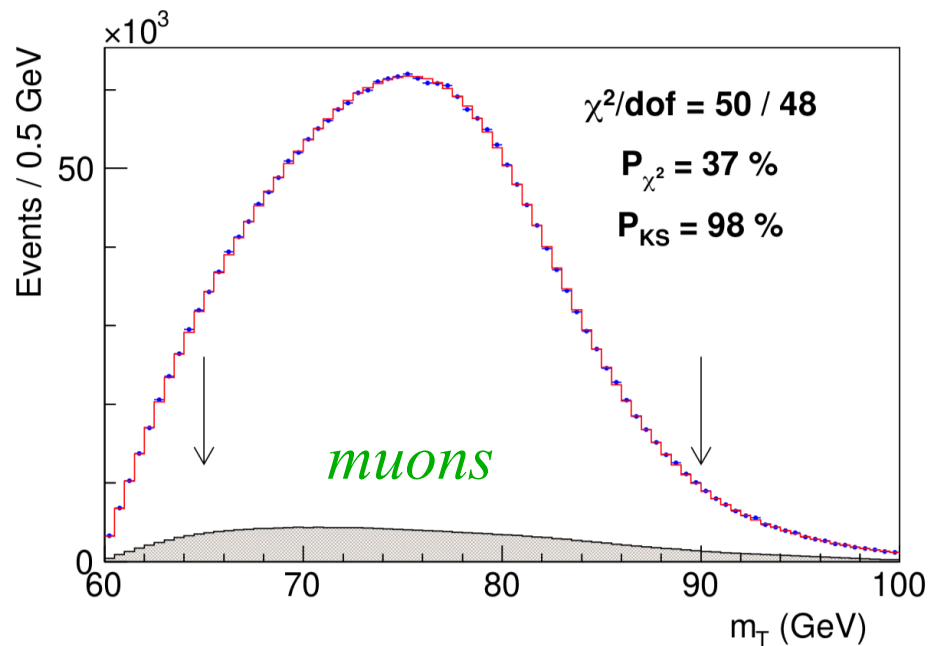


Fig. 4

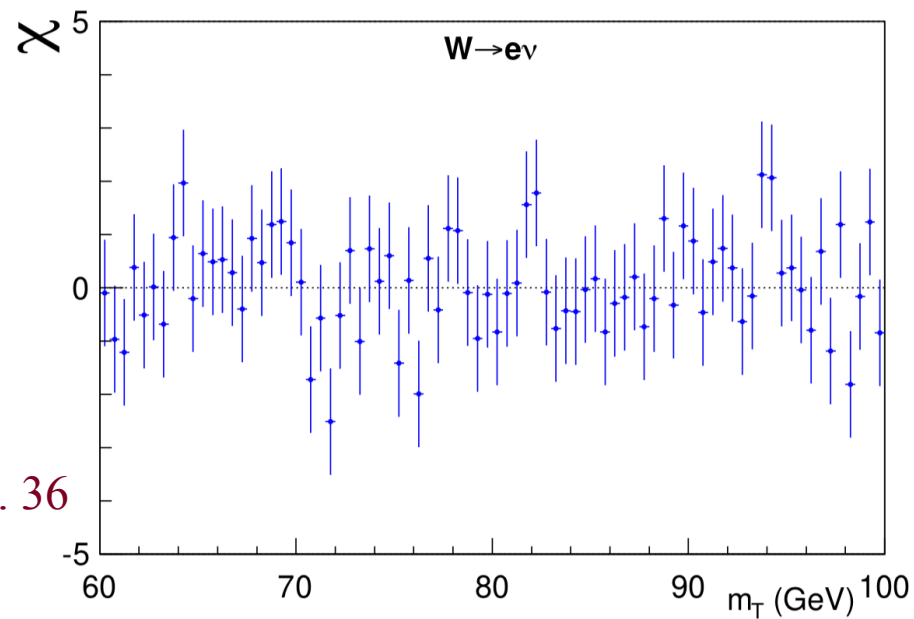
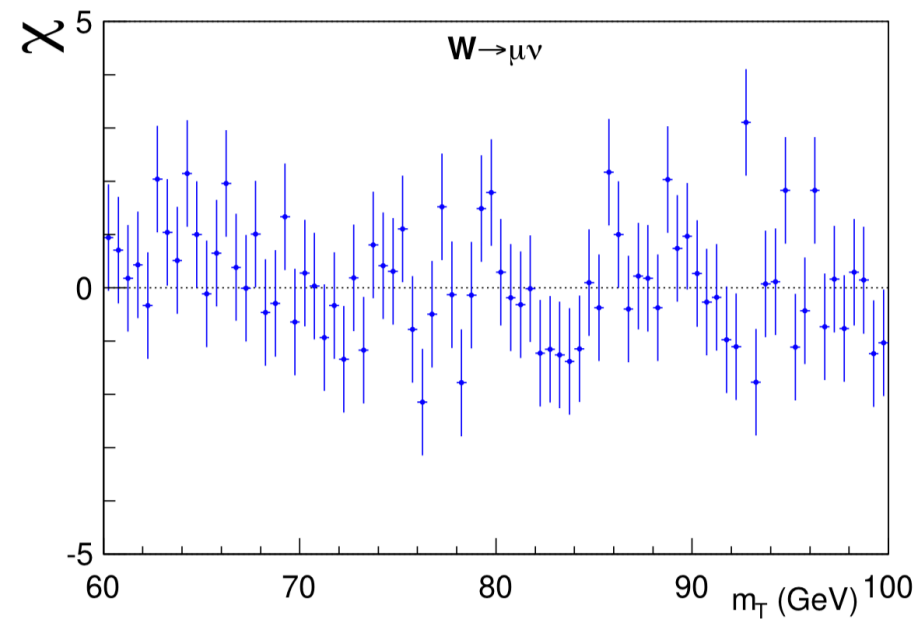


Fig. 36

# Summary of $W$ boson Mass Fits

Distribution	$W$ -boson mass (MeV)	$\chi^2/\text{dof}$
$m_T(e, \nu)$	80 $429.1 \pm 10.3_{\text{stat}} \pm 8.5_{\text{syst}}$	39/48
$p_T^\ell(e)$	80 $411.4 \pm 10.7_{\text{stat}} \pm 11.8_{\text{syst}}$	83/62
$p_T^\nu(e)$	80 $426.3 \pm 14.5_{\text{stat}} \pm 11.7_{\text{syst}}$	69/62
$m_T(\mu, \nu)$	80 $446.1 \pm 9.2_{\text{stat}} \pm 7.3_{\text{syst}}$	50/48
$p_T^\ell(\mu)$	80 $428.2 \pm 9.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 10.3_{\text{syst}}$	82/62
$p_T^\nu(\mu)$	80 $428.9 \pm 13.1_{\text{stat}} \pm 10.9_{\text{syst}}$	63/62
combination	80 $433.5 \pm 6.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 6.9_{\text{syst}}$	7.4/5

Table 1

Consistency between two channels and three kinematic fits

# Combinations of Fit Results

Combination	$m_T$ fit		$p_T^\ell$ fit		$p_T^\nu$ fit		Value (MeV)	$\chi^2/\text{dof}$	Probability (%)
	Electrons	Muons	Electrons	Muons	Electrons	Muons			
$m_T$	✓	✓					80 439.0 ± 9.8	1.2 / 1	28
$p_T^\ell$			✓	✓			80 421.2 ± 11.9	0.9 / 1	36
$p_T^\nu$					✓	✓	80 427.7 ± 13.8	0.0 / 1	91
$m_T$ & $p_T^\ell$	✓	✓	✓	✓			80 435.4 ± 9.5	4.8 / 3	19
$m_T$ & $p_T^\nu$	✓	✓			✓	✓	80 437.9 ± 9.7	2.2 / 3	53
$p_T^\ell$ & $p_T^\nu$			✓	✓	✓	✓	80 424.1 ± 10.1	1.1 / 3	78
Electrons	✓		✓		✓		80 424.6 ± 13.2	3.3 / 2	19
Muons		✓		✓		✓	80 437.9 ± 11.0	3.6 / 2	17
All	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	80 433.5 ± 9.4	7.4 / 5	20

Table S9

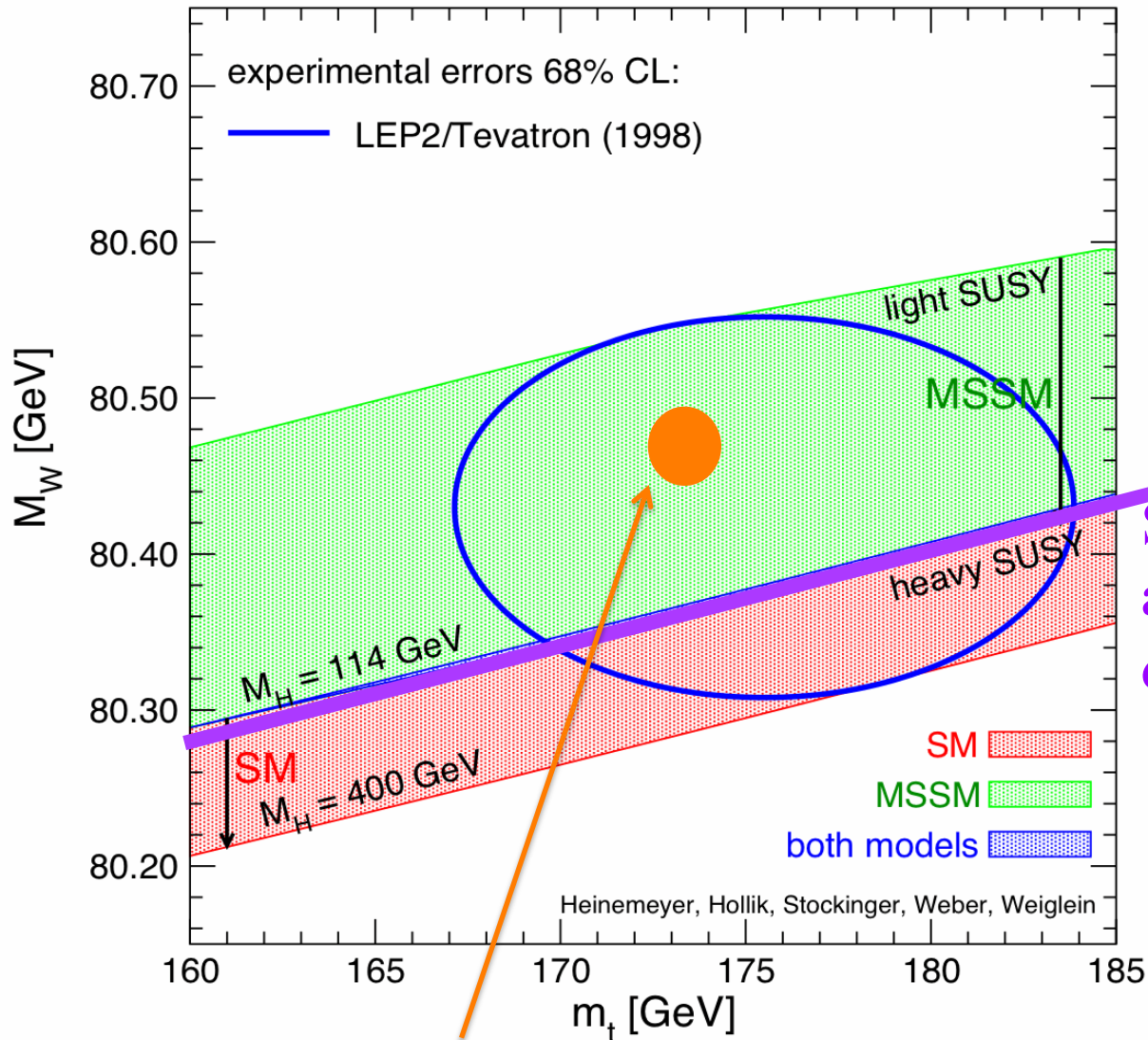
- Combined electrons (3 fits):  $M_W = 80424.6 \pm 13.2$  MeV,  $P(\chi^2) = 19\%$
- Combined muons (3 fits):  $M_W = 80437.9 \pm 11.0$  MeV,  $P(\chi^2) = 17\%$
- All combined (6 fits):  $M_W = 80433.5 \pm 9.4$  MeV,  $P(\chi^2) = 20\%$

# New CDF Result Uncertainties

Source	Uncertainty (MeV)
Lepton energy scale	3.0
Lepton energy resolution	1.2
Recoil energy scale	1.2
Recoil energy resolution	1.8
Lepton efficiency	0.4
Lepton removal	1.2
Backgrounds	3.3
$p_T^Z$ model	1.8
$p_T^W / p_T^Z$ model	1.3
Parton distributions	3.9
QED radiation	2.7
$W$ boson statistics	6.4
Total	9.4

Table 2

# 2022 Status of $M_W$ vs $M_{top}$



Standard Model  
after 2012 Higgs  
discovery

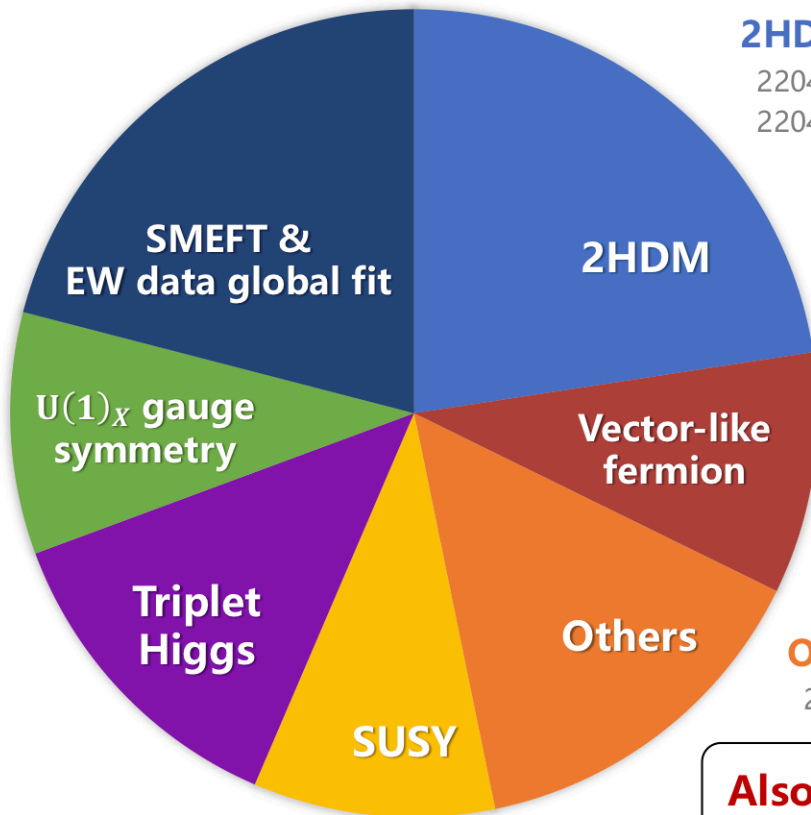
*Science* **376**, 170 (April 7, 2022); DOI: [10.1126/science.abk1781](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.abk1781)



# Epilogue

## CDF W mass

**Total number: 62\***



### 2HDM: 14

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### SMEFT & EW data global fit: 13

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### Triplet Higgs: 8

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### SUSY: 6

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### U(1)<sub>X</sub> gauge symmetry: 6

2204.07100/08067/09487/09024/09585/10156

### Vector-like fermion: 6

2204.07022/07411/08568/09477/09671/05024

### Others: 9 (Non-unitarity, leptoquark, singlet scalar, ...)

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### Also related to

dark matter, neutrino masses/seesaw, flavor violation, muon  $g-2$ , flavor anomalies, gravitational waves, ...

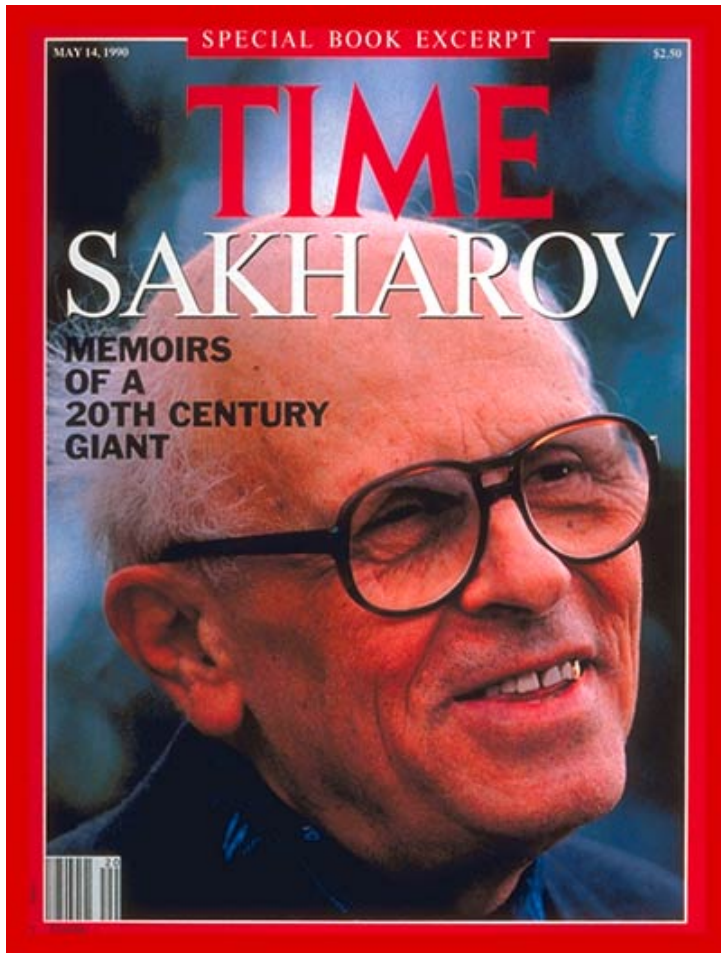
\* Preprints as of April 25th are counted.

The Heavyweight  $W$  boson  
&  
The Mystery of the Missing  
AntiMatter

# Matter-AntiMatter Symmetry

- Laws of nature have been proven to be (almost) exactly identical for matter and antimatter
- There should be equal amounts of matter and antimatter in the Universe
- *Where is the MISSING antimatter?*
- *WE* need an excess of matter over antimatter in order for galaxies, stars, planets and *us* to exist...

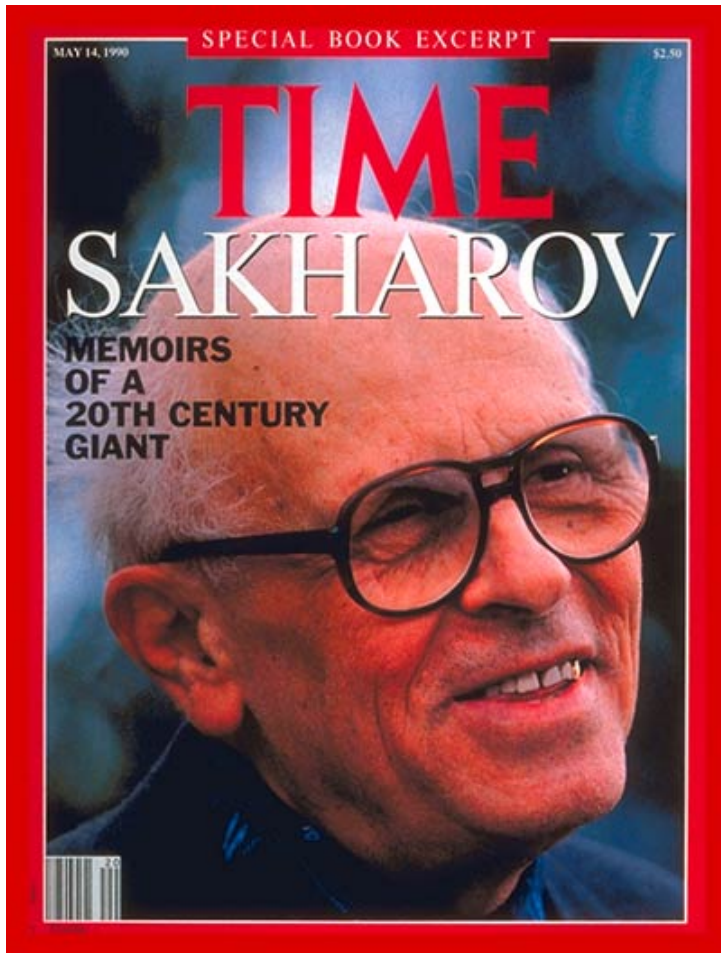
# Sakharov Conditions for Matter Excess



Andrei Sakharov calculated three conditions that must exist in early Universe for creation of matter excess

The Standard Model of Particle Physics satisfies only **ONE** of these conditions

# Sakharov Conditions for Matter Excess



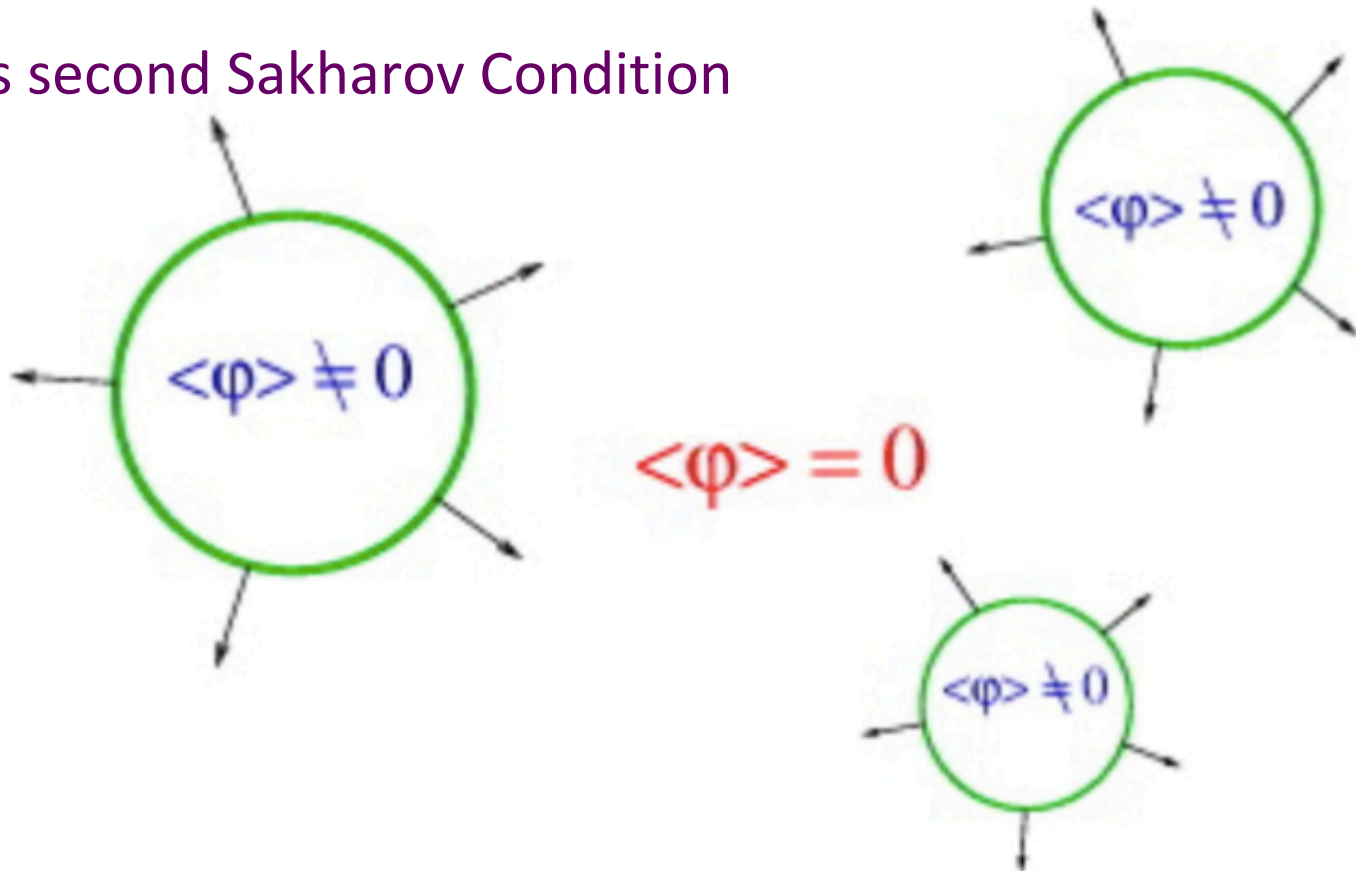
If the Higgs boson had a partner  
i.e. a second Higgs-like particle  
existed...

The second Sakharov condition  
can be satisfied !

# Higgs Condensation after Big Bang aided by Higgs-like Partner

Higgs droplets form and expand, filling the whole Universe

Satisfies second Sakharov Condition



Higgs-like partner's existence increases the W boson mass  
by the observed 0.1%

# Summary

- The  $W$  boson mass is sensitive to new laws of nature through quantum fluctuations
- New measurement is twice as precise as previous measurements
  - $M_W = 80433.5 \pm 9.4 \text{ MeV}$
- Significant difference from Standard Model calculation of  $M_W = 80,357 \pm 6 \text{ MeV}$ 
  - significance of  $7.0\sigma$  ( $>5\sigma$  is considered scientific discovery)
  - The Higgs boson is not the end of the story

Thank you for your attention !

# W Boson Mass Measurements from Different Experiments

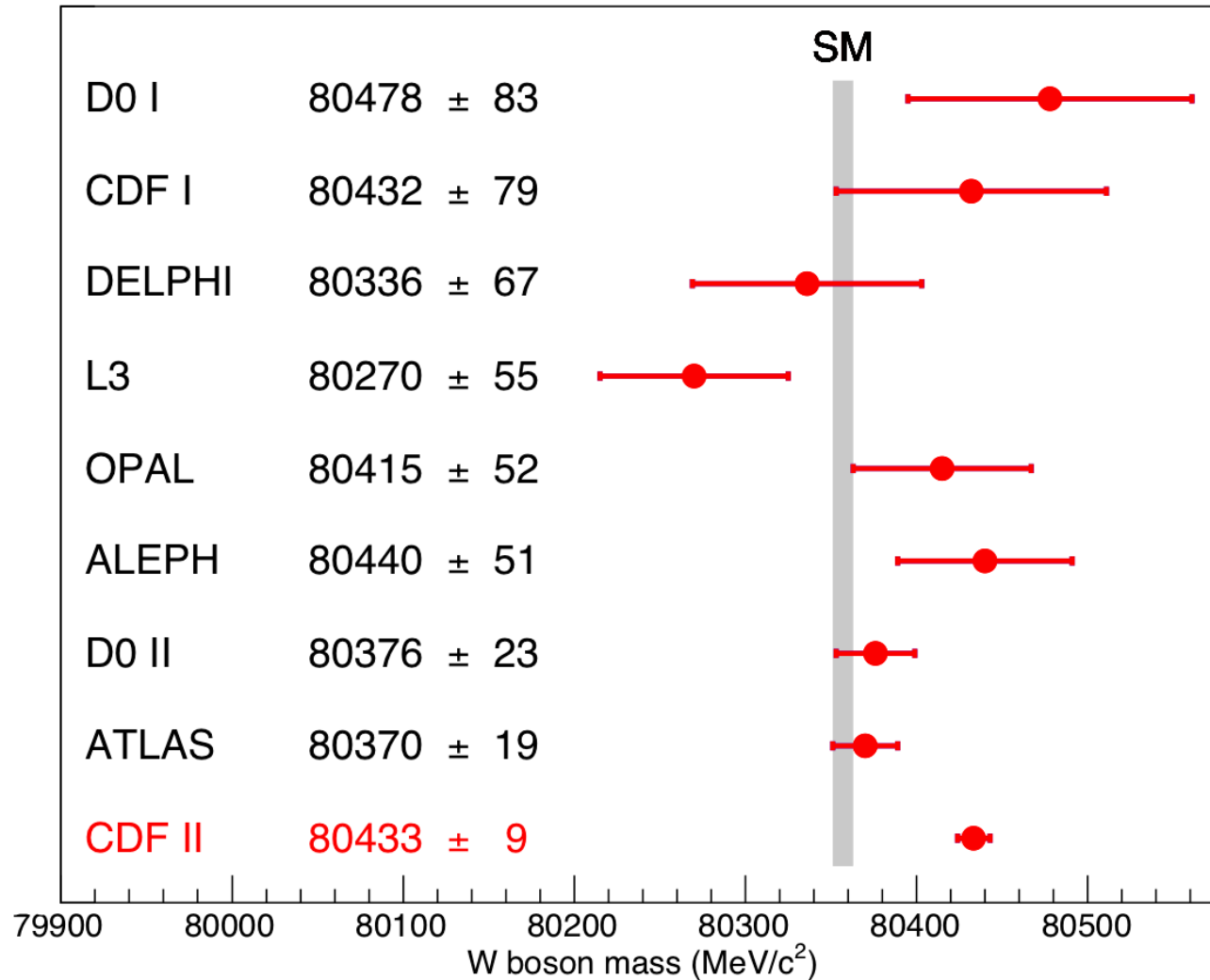


Fig. 5

SM expectation:  $M_W = 80,357 \pm 4_{\text{inputs}} \pm 4_{\text{theory}}$  (PDG 2020)

LHCb measurement :  $M_W = 80,354 \pm 23_{\text{stat}} \pm 10_{\text{exp}} \pm 17_{\text{theory}} \pm 9_{\text{PDF}}$  [JHEP **2022**, 36 (2022)]



