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**WINDOWS ON THE UNIVERSE**

**2023**

**Novel perspectives in radiation detectors for present and future high energy physics experiments**

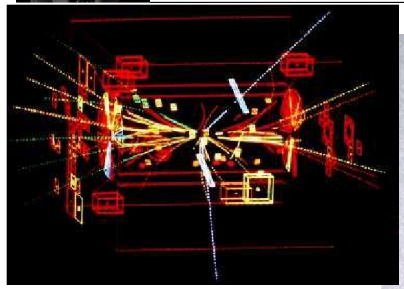
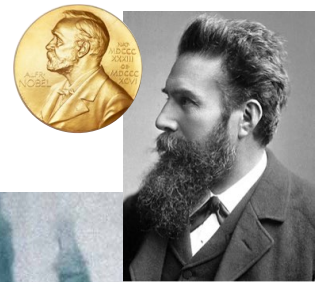
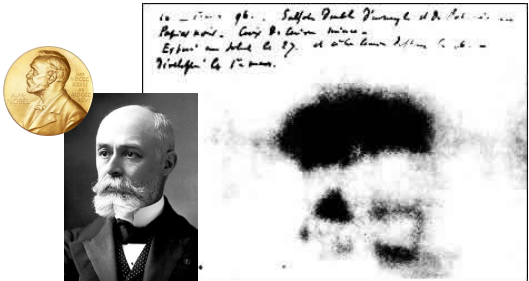


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# Nobel Prizes: Detection Methods

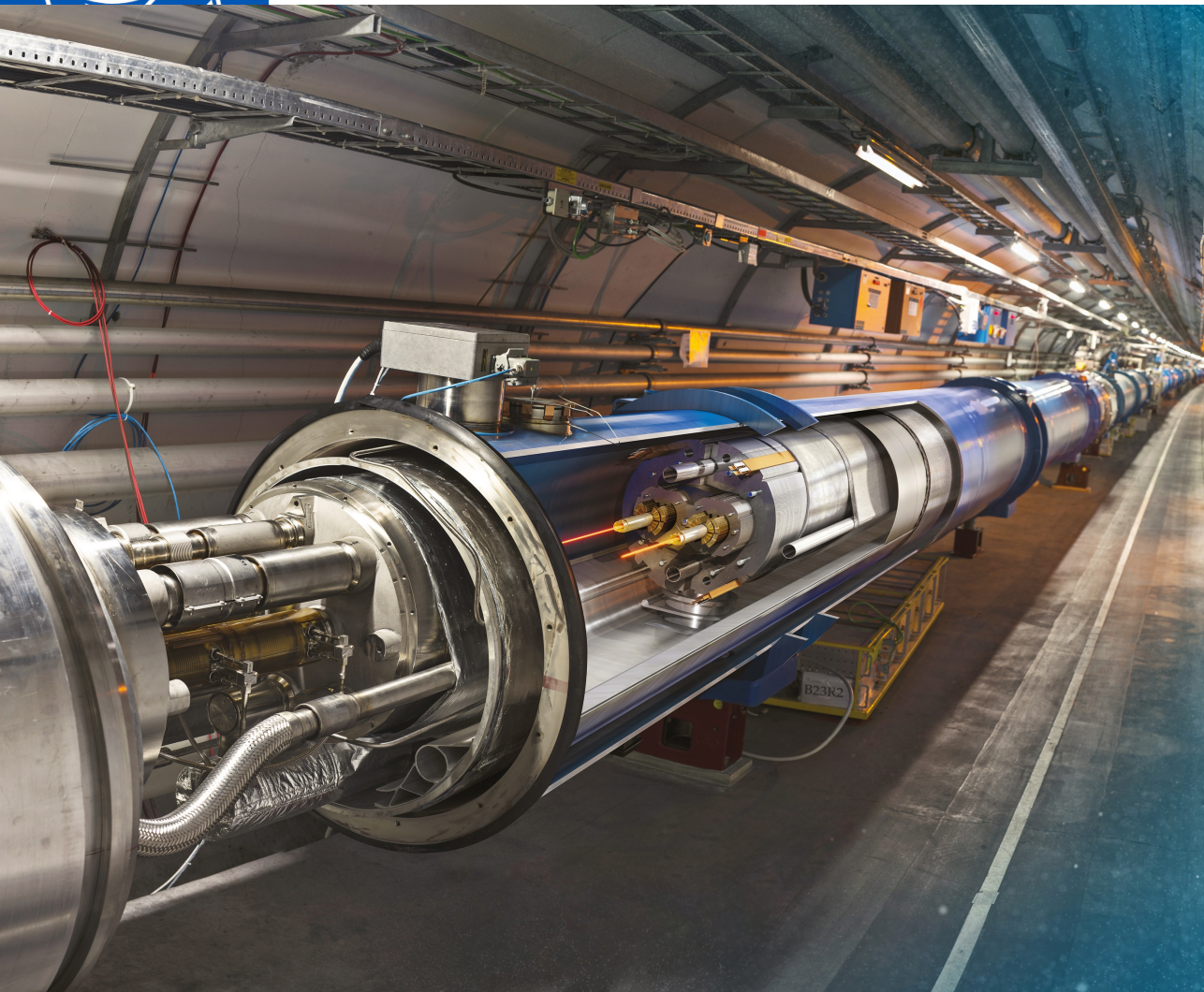


- 1927: cloud chamber (C.T.R. Wilson)
- 1948: advanced cloud chamber (P.M.S. Blackett)
- 1950: nuclear emulsion (C.F. Powell)
- 1954: coincidence method (W. Bothe)
- 1958: Cherenkov effect (P.A. Cherenkov)
- 1960: bubble chamber (D.A. Glaser)
- 1992: multiwire proportional chamber (G. Charpak)
- 2009: CCD sensor (W.S. Boyle, G.E. Smith)





# The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



- 27 km in circumference
- About 100 m underground
- Superconducting magnets steer the particles around the ring
- Particles are accelerated to close to the speed of light
- Collision energy (13) 14TeV





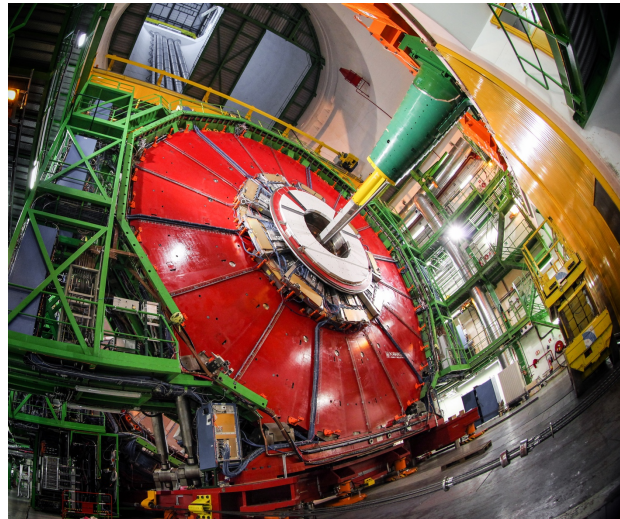
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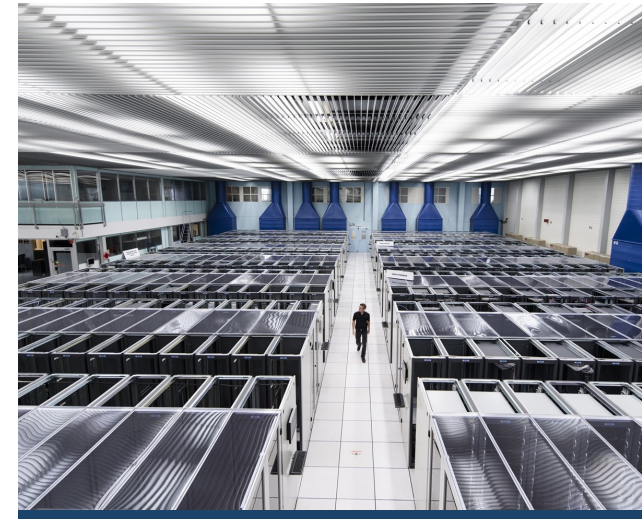
- We build the largest machines to study the smallest particles in the universe
- We develop technology to advance the limits of what is possible



ACCELERATORS



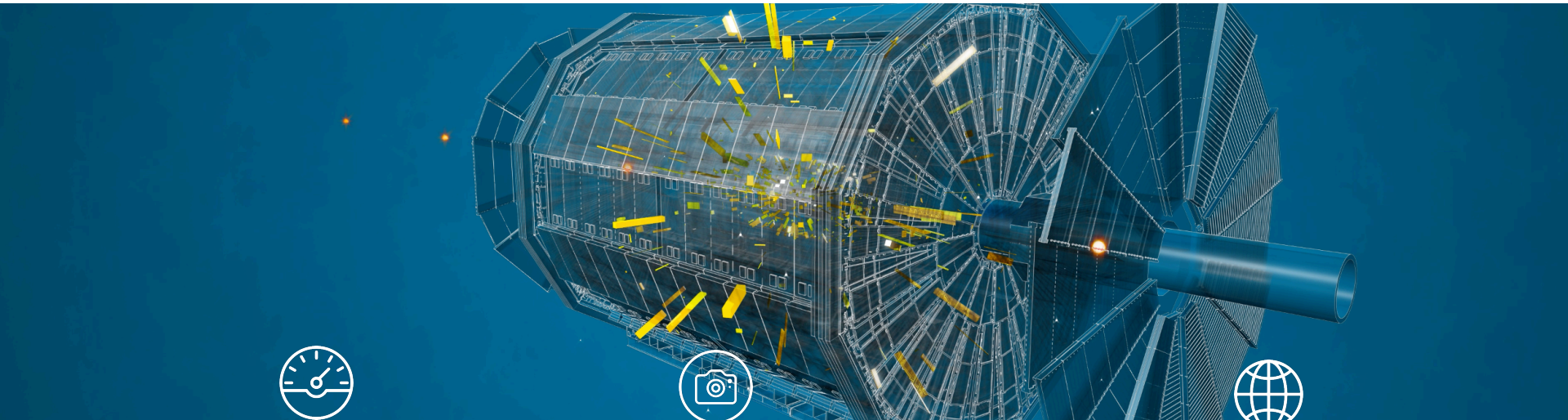
DETECTORS



COMPUTING



# The LHC detectors are analogous to 3D cameras



The detectors measure the energy, direction and charge of new particles formed.

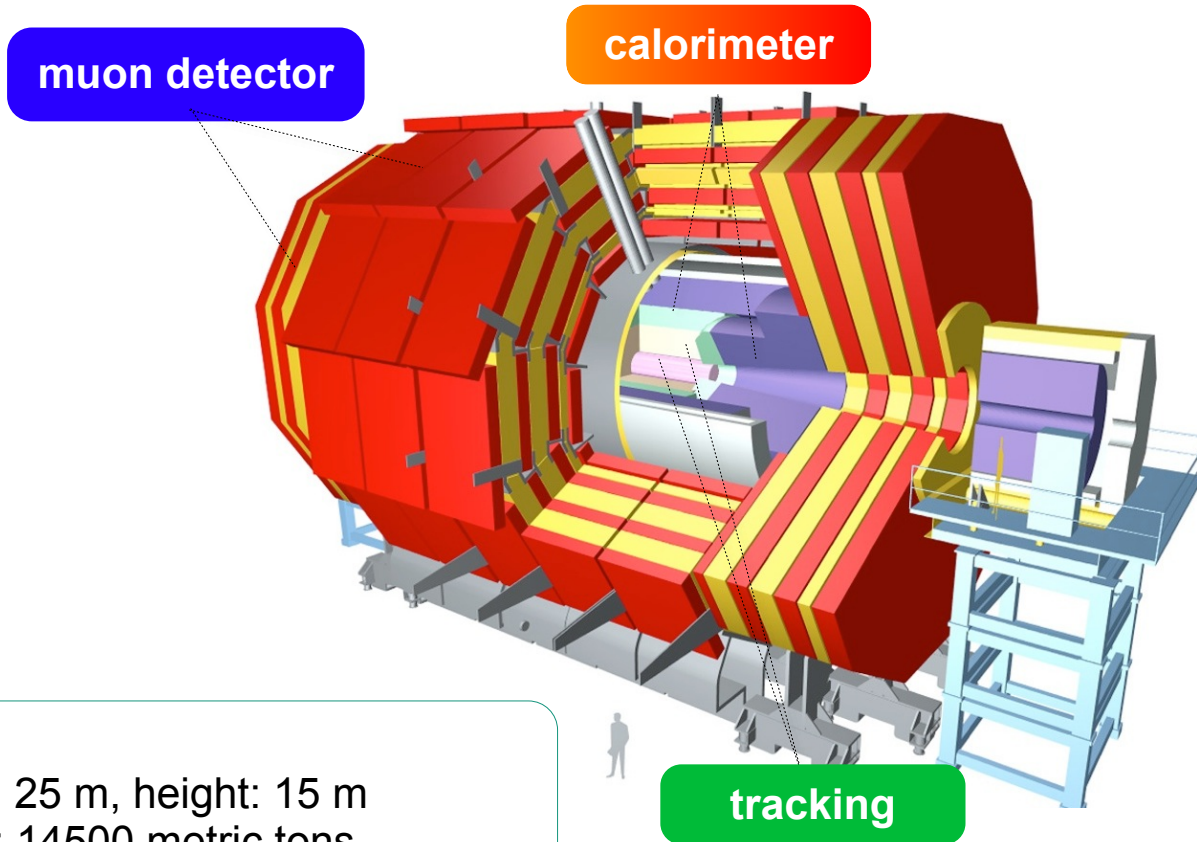
They take 40 million pictures a second. Only 1000 are recorded and stored.

The LHC detectors have been built by international collaborations covering all regions of the Globe.



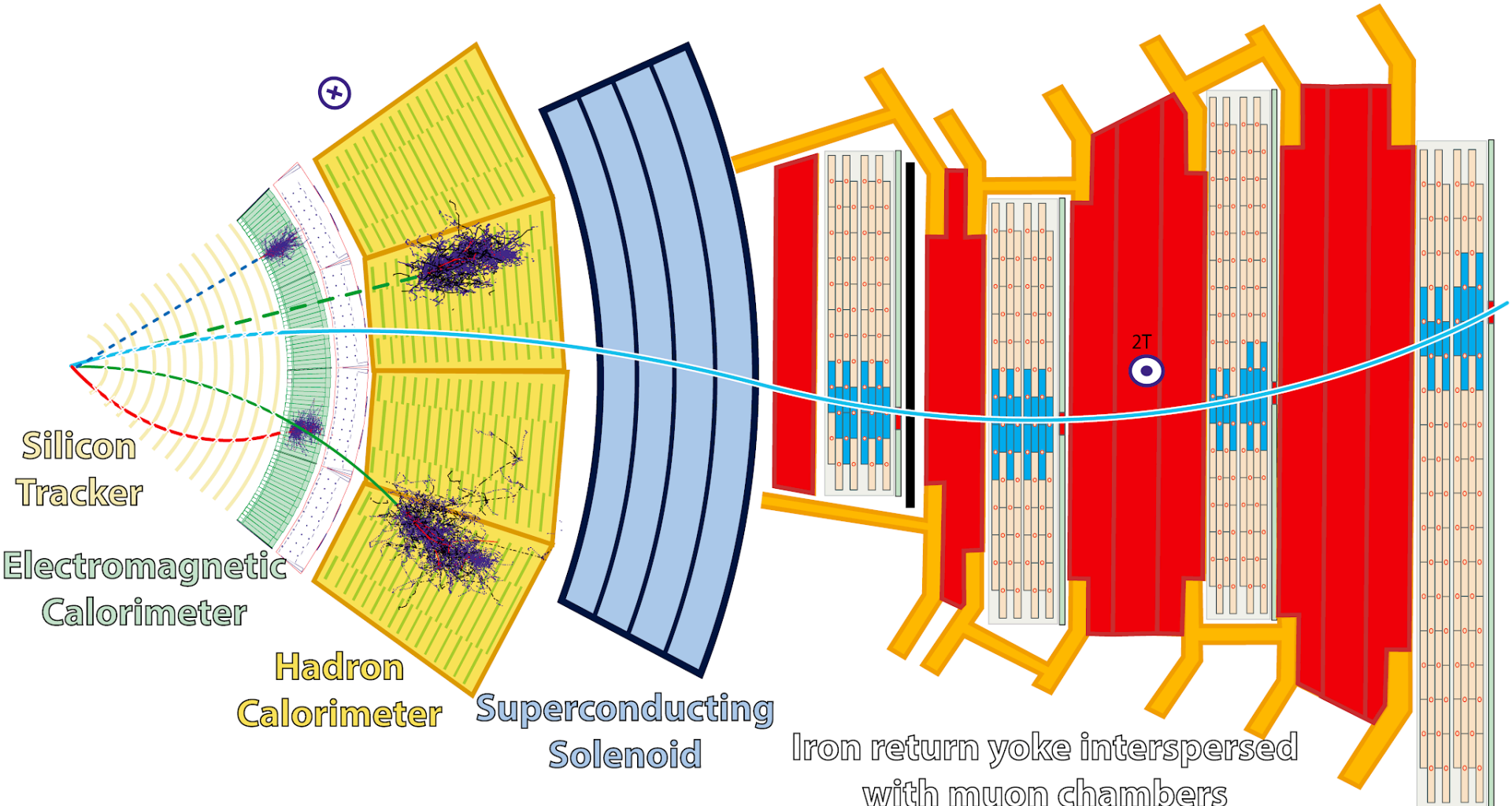


# Compact Muon Solenoid



## CMS facts:

- \* Length: 25 m, height: 15 m
- \* Weight: 14500 metric tons
- \* 150 million electronics channels

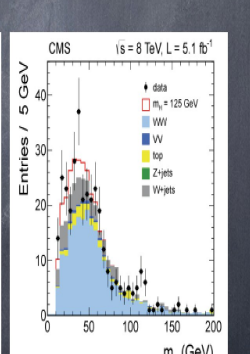
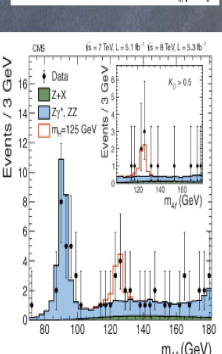
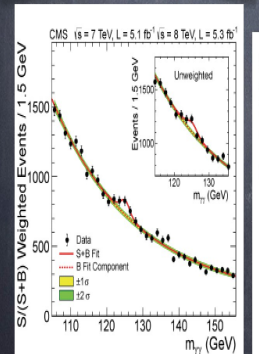
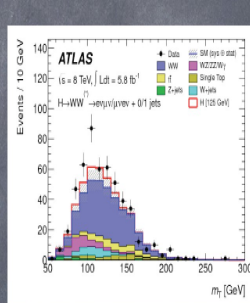
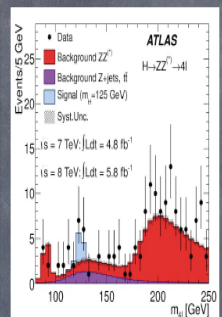
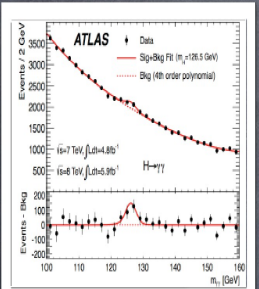
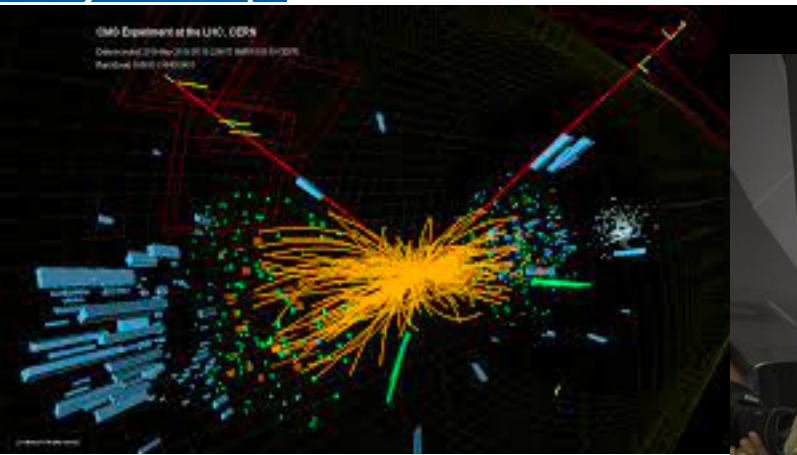


- Muon**                      **— Electron**                      **— Charged hadron (e.g. pion)**
- - - Neutral hadron (e.g. neutron)**                      **- - - Photon**





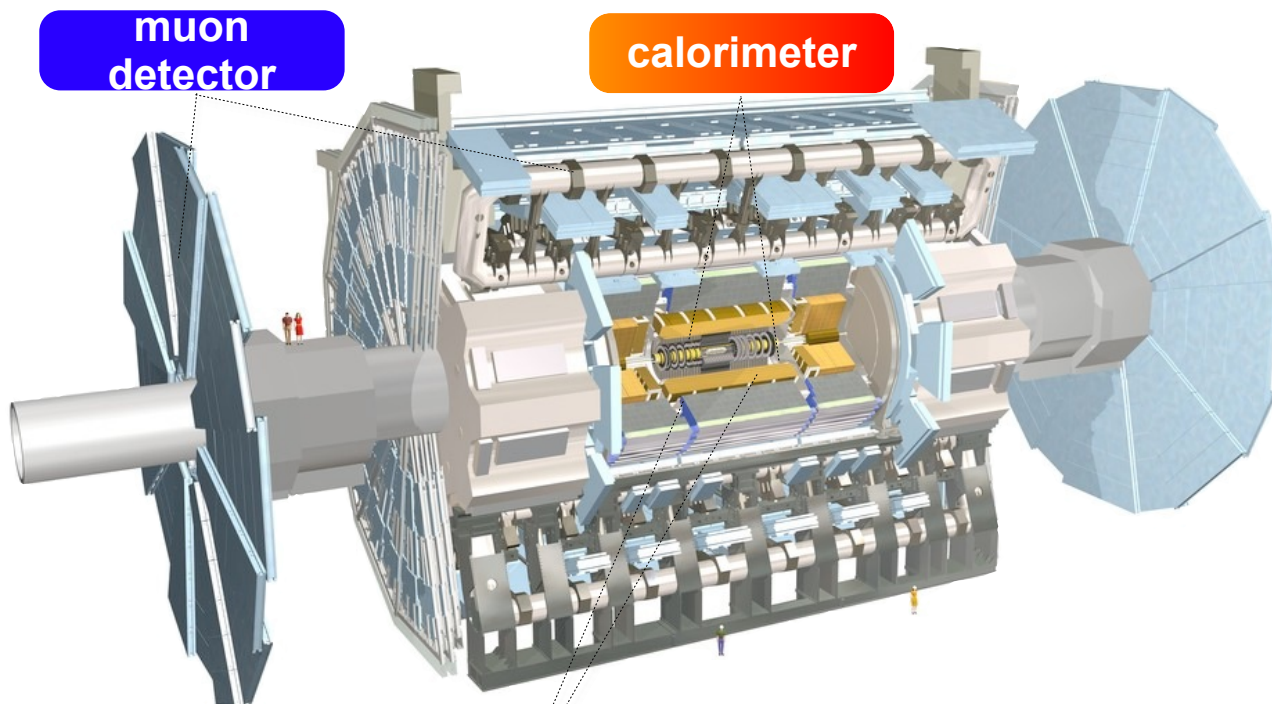
# Nobel Prize 2013







# ATLAS Experiment



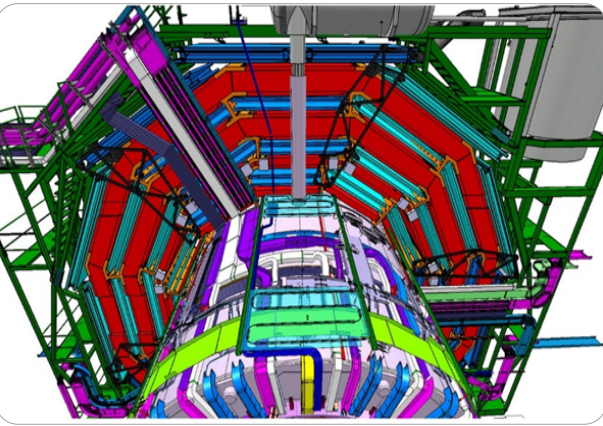
## ATLAS facts:

- \* Length: 45 m, height: 25 m
- \* Weight: 7000 metric tons
- \* 150 million electronics channels

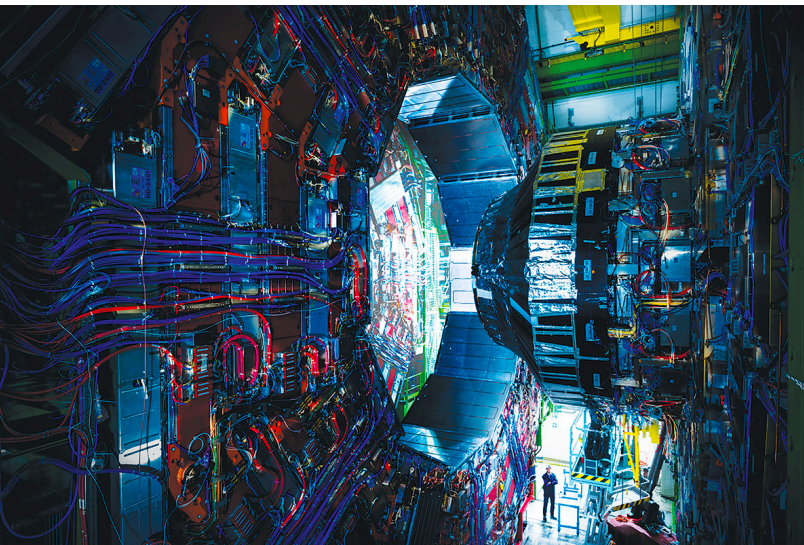
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# Compact integration



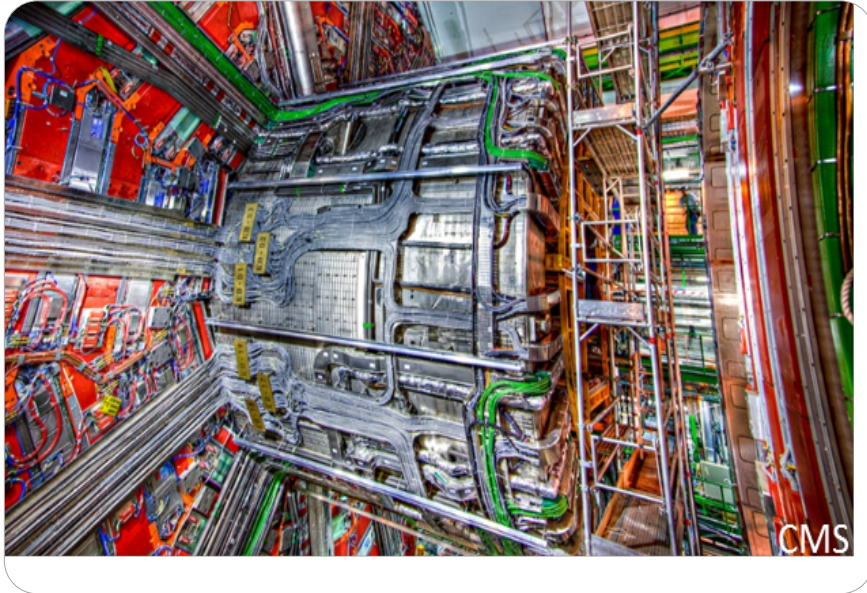
Applicable to complex, confined and/or harsh environments, where multiple aspects and diverse technologies need an holistic design approach in order to be integrated into one system.



- History of multifunctional design of systems incorporating a broad range of technologies in small volumes:
  - **Ultra-compact integration of complex systems**
- Functional analysis capabilities to facilitate holistic design approach across large systems:
  - **Optimise ratio between core and auxiliaries services**



# Compact integration



Experiments running around and outside the LHC are extremely complex and large structures

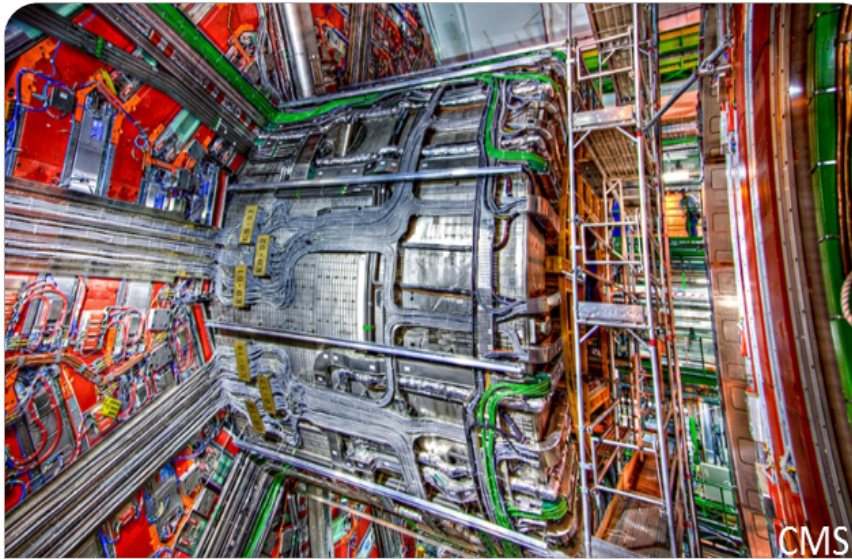
Main challenge is to maximize the volume dedicated to the detector itself  
 minimizing the volume for auxiliaries services  
 integration of technologies is key.

- Integrate several tons of materials for the detectors in confined area with their own specific constraints:
  - Cooling systems (from ambient down to  $-35^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
  - Power cables (total FE electronics power in CMS 1MWatt)
  - Front-end and readout electronics ( voltage supply, voltage operation, power consumption)
  - Optical fibres (same length for every single fibre for timing)
  
- Integrate detector control systems and detector safety systems
- Coordination on sub-detectors from institutes all around the world





# Compact integration



Front end and readout electronics integration,

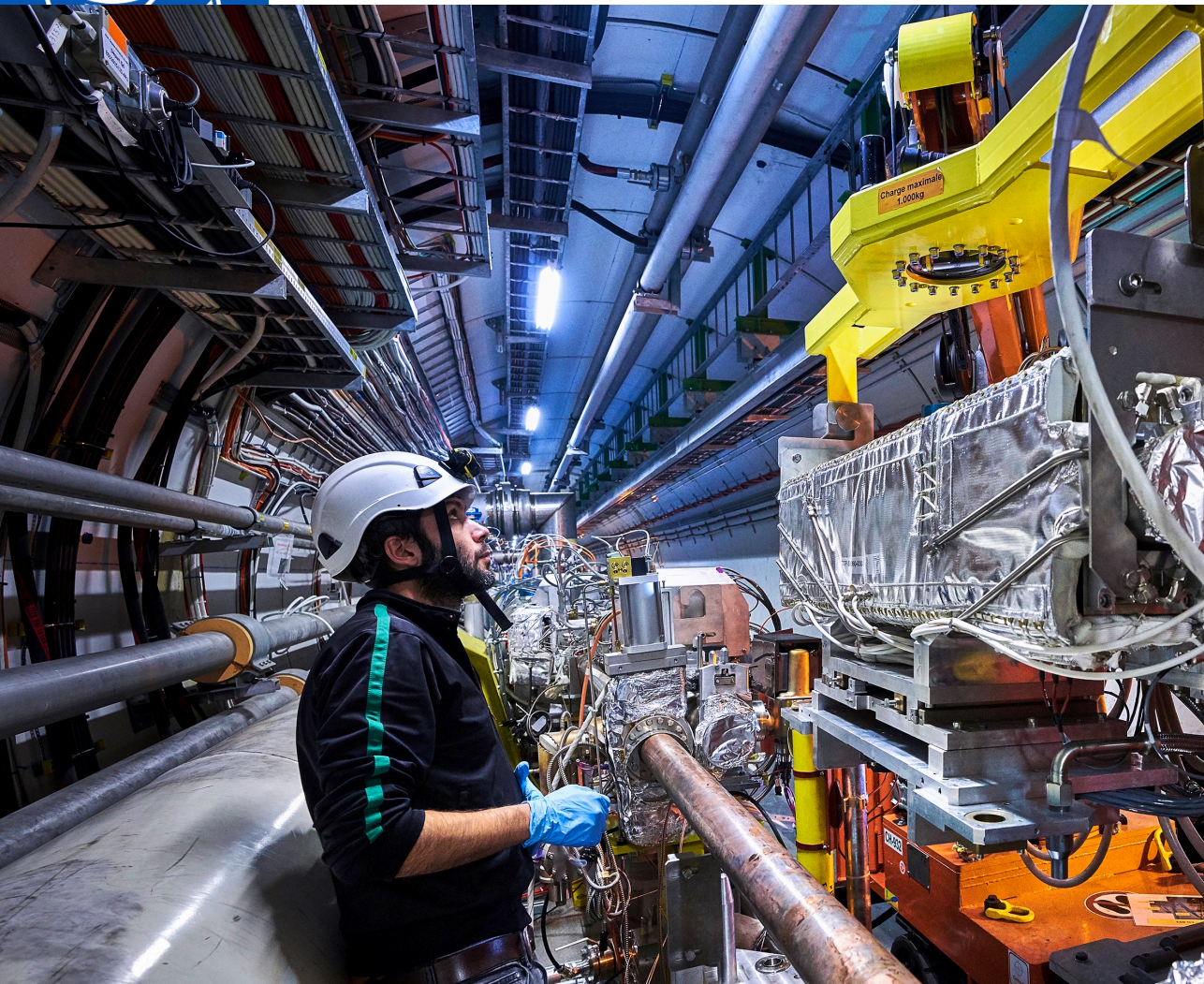
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## Upgrade to the High-Luminosity LHC is under way

- The HL-LHC will use new technologies to provide 10 times more collisions than the LHC.
- It will provide greater precision and discovery potential.
- It will start operating in



# Gaseous Detectors @ CMS, ALICE, LHCb Upgrades

Experiment / Timescale	Application Domain	Gas Detector Technology	Total detector size / Single module size	Operation Characteristics / Performance	Special Requirements / Remarks
ALICE TPC UPGRADE  CERN LS2	Heavy-Ion Physics (Tracking + dE/dx)	4-GEM / TPC	Total area: ~ 32 m <sup>2</sup>  Single unit detect: up to 0.3m <sup>2</sup>	Max.rate:100 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> Spatial res.: ~300μm Time res.: ~ 100 ns dE/dx: 11 % Rad. Hard.: 50 mC/cm <sup>2</sup>	- 50 kHz Pb-Pb rate; - Continues TPC readout - Low IBF and good energy resolution
CMS MUON UPGRADE GE11  CERN LS2	Hadron Collider (Tracking/Triggering)	3-GEM	Total area: ~ 50 m <sup>2</sup>  Single unit detect: 0.3-0.4m <sup>2</sup>	Max. rate: 5 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> Spatial res.: 0.6 – 1.2mm Time res.: ~ 7 ns Rad. Hard.: ~ 0.18 C/cm <sup>2</sup>	Redundant tracking and triggering, improved pt resolution in trigger
CMS MUON UPGRADE GE21  CERN L3	Hadron Collider (Tracking/Triggering)	3-GEM	Total area: ~ 105 m <sup>2</sup>  Single unit detect: 0.3-0.4m <sup>2</sup>	Max. rate: 1.5 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> Spatial res.: 1.4 – 3.0mm Time res.: ~ 7 ns Rad. Hard.: ~ 0.09 C/cm <sup>2</sup>	Redundant tracking and triggering, displaced muon triggering
CMS MUON UPGRADE ME0  CERN L3	Hadron Collider (Tracking/Triggering)	3-GEM	Total area: ~ 65 m <sup>2</sup>  Single unit detect: 0.3m <sup>2</sup>	Max. rate:150 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> Spatial res.: 0.6 – 1.3mm Time res.: ~ 7 ns Rad. Hard.: ~ 7.9 C/cm <sup>2</sup>	Extension of the Muon System in pseudorapidity, installation behind HGCAL
CMS MUON UPGRADE RE3.1, RE 4.1 2023-24 (CERN L3)	Hadron Collider (Tracking/Triggering)	iRPC	Total area: ~ 140 m <sup>2</sup>  Single unit detect: 2m <sup>2</sup>	Max.rate: 2kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> Spatial res.: ~1-2cm Time res.: ~ 1 ns Rad. Hard.: 1 C/cm <sup>2</sup>	Redundant tracking and triggering
LHCb MUON UPGRADE  CERN LS4	Hadron Collider (triggering)	μ-RWELL	Total area: ~ 90 m <sup>2</sup> Single unit detector: From 0,4x0,3 m <sup>2</sup> To 0,8x0,3 m <sup>2</sup>	Max.rate:900 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> Spatial res.: ~ cm Time res.: ~ 3 ns Rad. Hard.: ~ 2 C/cm <sup>2</sup>	About 600 detectors



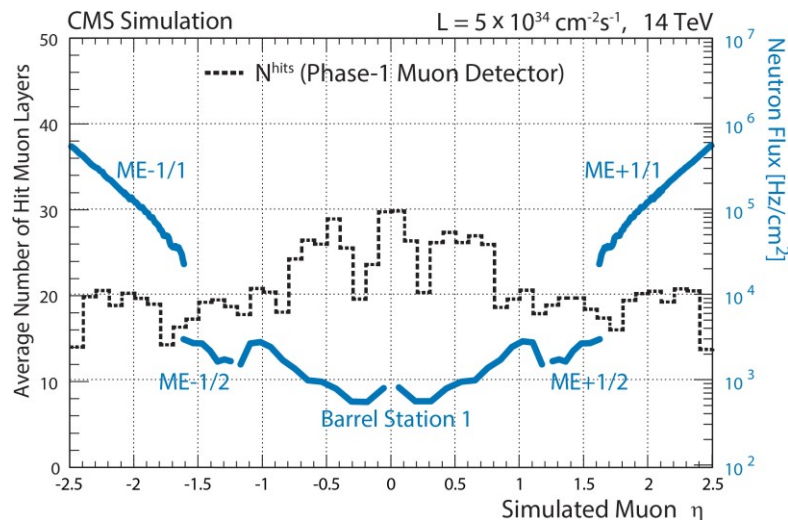
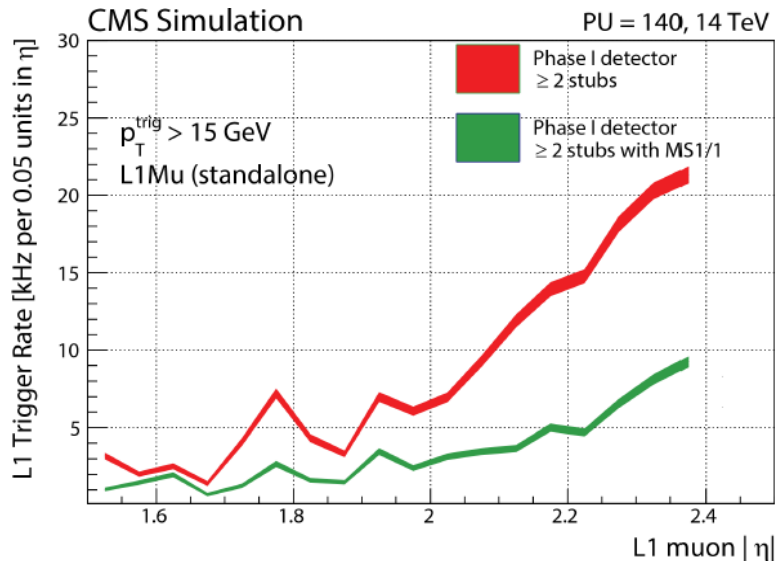


# Challenges: HL-LHC



Maintain standalone trigger and reconstruction, mitigation of efficiency loss due to aging of the current detectors can be met if:

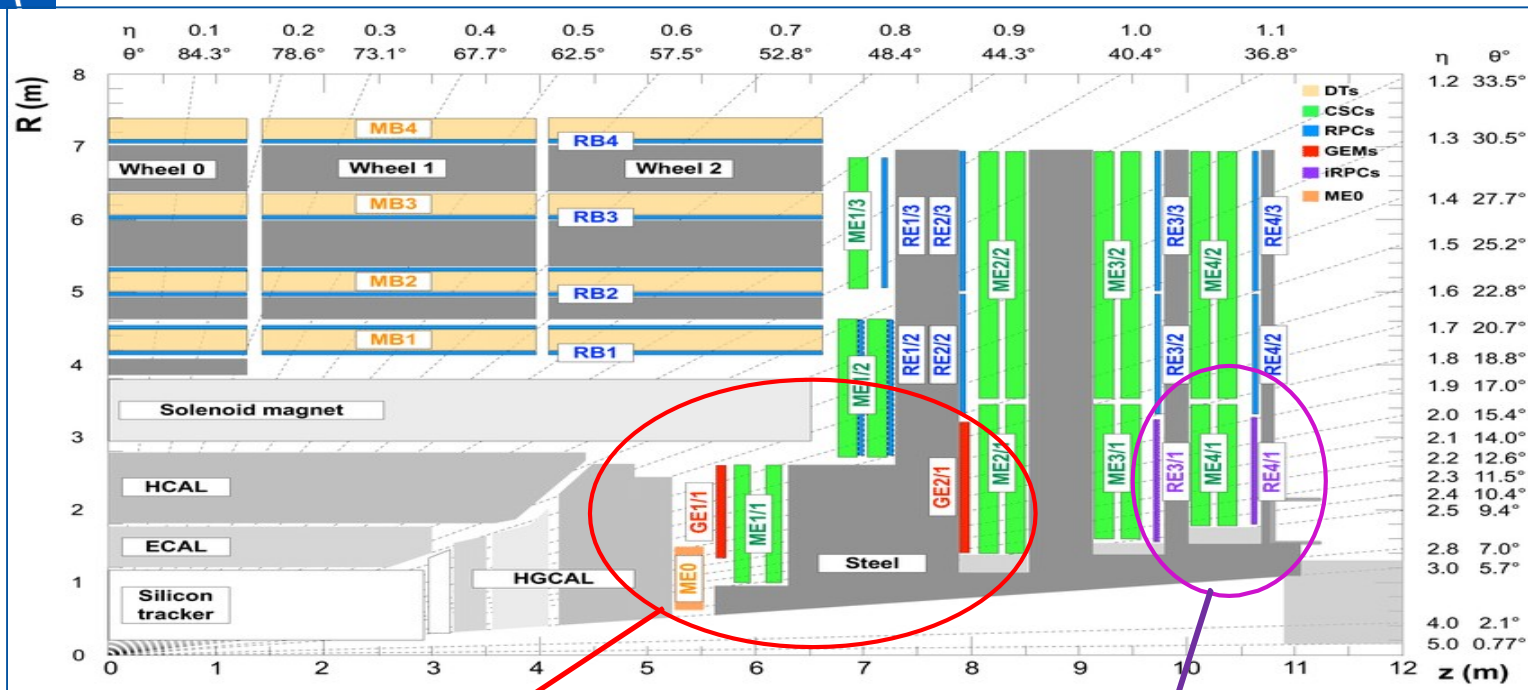
- the number of hits recorded is sufficiently large
- spatial accuracy and the time resolution are very good.
- good momentum measurement for the rejection of unwanted soft muons, mis-measured as high  $p_t$  muons  $\rightarrow$  prevent increase in  $p_t$  threshold



# CMS Muon Spectrometer after LS3



A cross-section of the CMS experiment after the Phase II upgrades



The GEM upgrade: three new stations GE1/1, GE2/1 and ME0 based on the triple-GEM technology

The RPC upgrade: two new stations RE3/1 and RE4/1 based on the improved-RPC technology



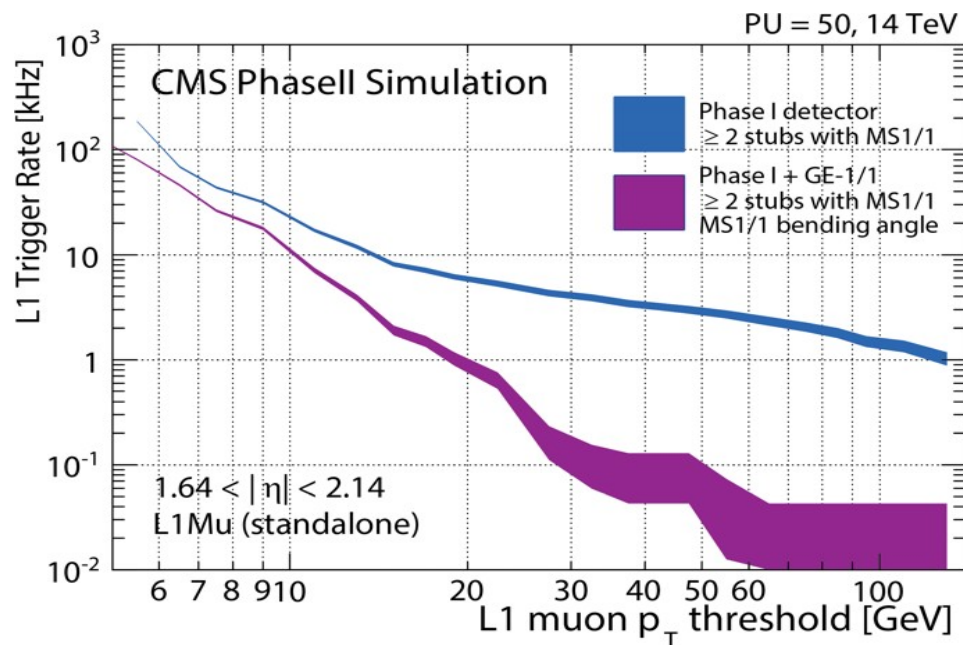
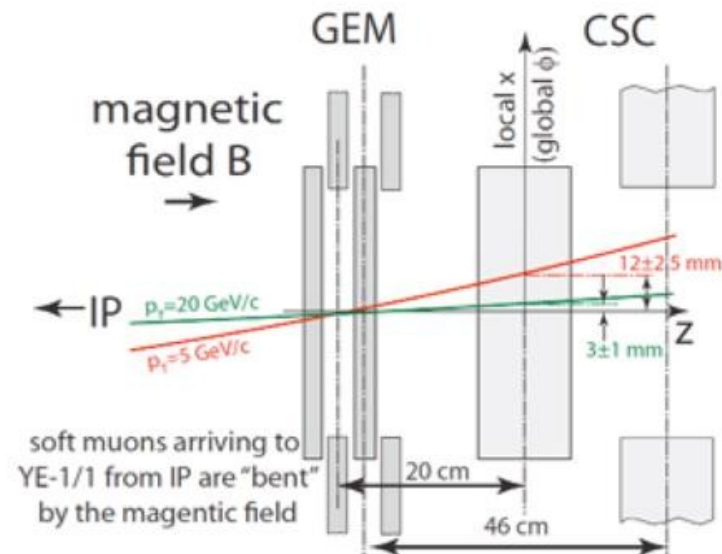


# How GEMs will help

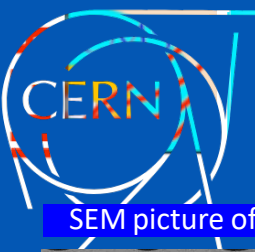


Till LS2, forward trigger for  $|\eta| > 1.6$  relies entirely on the CSC system (ME1/1) **strong B field**

GEM detector in front of CSC can measure muon bending angle in magnetic field and add redundancy



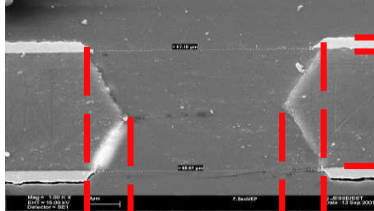
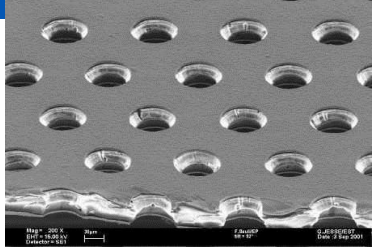
maintain 15 GeV online threshold, keep < 5 kHz rate, high efficiency



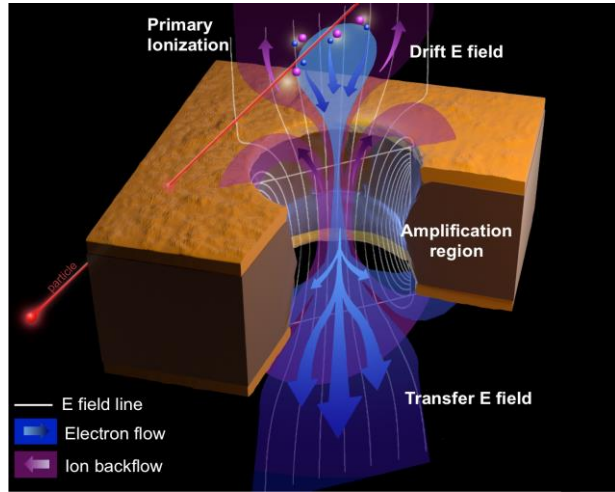
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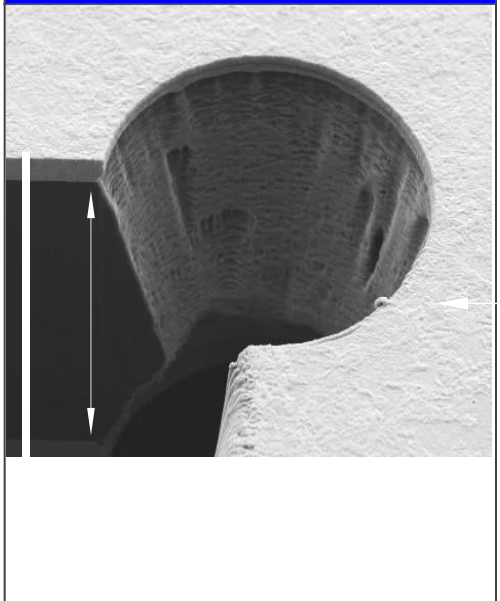
SEM picture of a GEM



5  $\mu\text{m}$   
50  $\mu\text{m}$   
55  $\mu\text{m}$   
70  $\mu\text{m}$

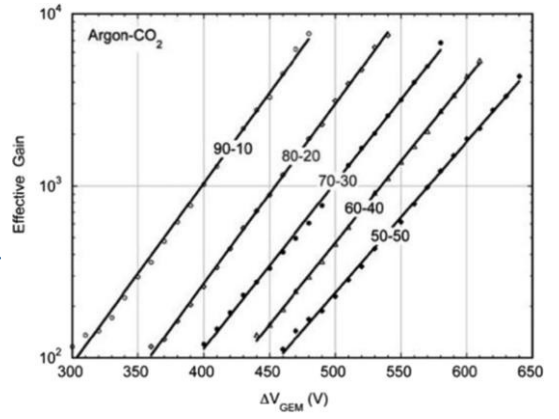


SEM picture of a GEM hole



Electrons entering the GEM holes will accelerate in the intense electric field ( $\sim 80 \text{ kV/cm}$ ) and provoke the ionization of gas molecules, giving rise to an electron avalanche

Multiplication: 1 e<sup>-</sup> input to > 1000e<sup>-</sup> output (as a function of gas and HV)



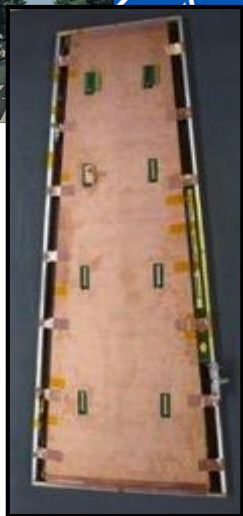




# Masters of GEM

CERN's Printed Circuit Workshop





GE1/1-I

2010



GE1/1-II

2011



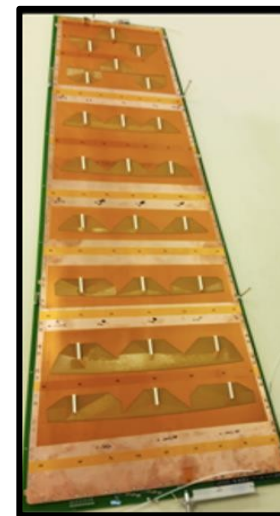
GE1/1-III

2012



GE1/1-IV

2013



GE1/1-V

2014

R&D phase

Toward production phase

## GE1/1-I

- > first 1m-class GEM detector ever built
- > single-mask technology
- > 99x(22-45) cm<sup>2</sup>
- > 1024 readout channels
- > gap config. 3/2/2/2
- > use of spacer grid and glue

## GE1/1-II

- > Optimization of the electric field configuration
- > single-mask technology
- > 99x(22-45) cm<sup>2</sup>
- > 3072 readout channels
- > gap config. 3/1/2/1
- > use of spacer grid and glue

## GE1/1-III

- > first use of the self-stretching technique
- > single-mask technology
- > No spacers but glue on the external frame
- > Stretching against the external frame

## GE1/1-IV

- > Finalization of the stretching technique
- > Introduction of the pull-out
- > No glue/no spacers
- > **Assembly time reduced from 1 week to 2h!!!**

## GE1/1-V

- > GE1/1 final layout
- > Modules used to design the QA/QC setup
- > **Modules distributed to the production sites for assembly and QA/QC training**

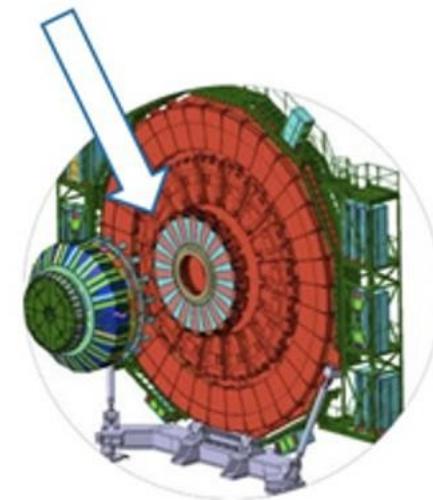
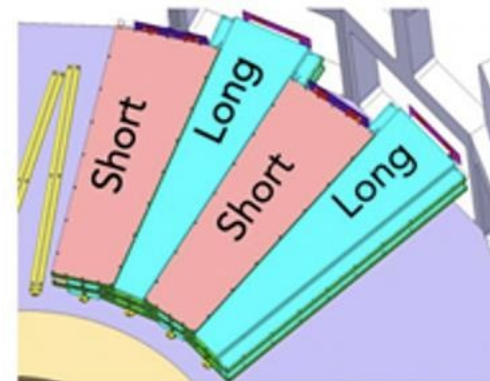




# Chamber story



GE1/1-VI



2015

2016

2017-2018-2019

TDR

Slice test installation

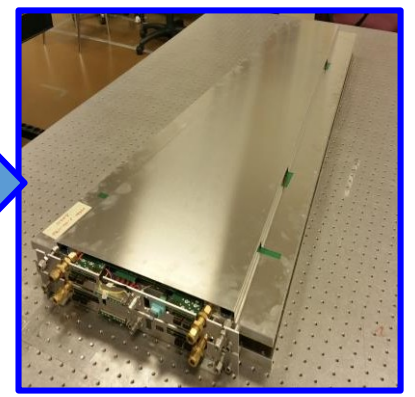
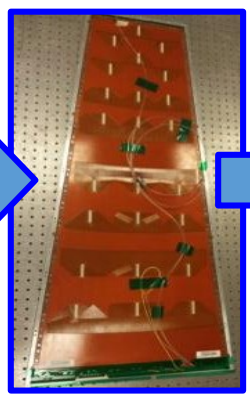
Production phase

GE1/1-VI

- > Latest detector design
- Optimization
- > Final dimensions for maximum acceptance (Long/Short) chamber



# Mass Production & QA/QC







# The Plan: General Organization



## → Distribution of the production in various sites:

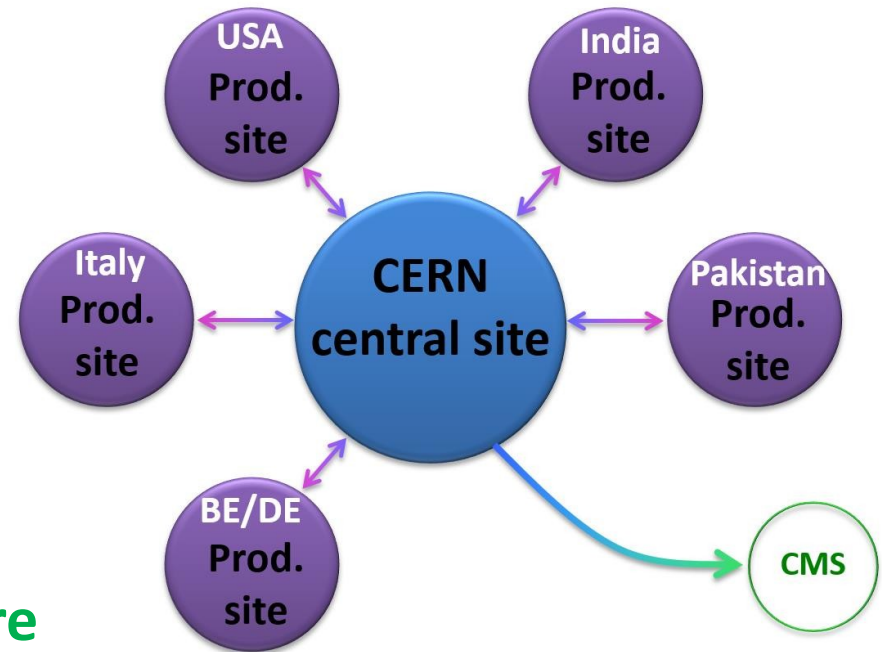
- Share the effort with CMS - GEM institutes
- Generate a large community of GEM experts

- Equip production sites with infrastructure, tooling and knowledge for GE2/1 and ME0 productions

## → 2-years training program

- Using same procedure
- Using equivalent infrastructure

- All Quality Control deliverables validated by the production community





# Knowledge transfer

## GEM Foils Production

- **Mecaro (KR)** (new producer investigated between 2017 and 2019 – approved in Jan. 2020), GE2/1 GEM Foils (M2, M3, M6 and M7 types)
- Organized an in-depth internal review with KCMS representatives, Mecaro engineers, project management and Rui directly at the Korean factory

- Excellent experience with the Korean teams from Mecaro and Korea-CMS
- Large team of experts, almost a constant presence at the factory for the foil validation
- In-depth inspection and test of all foils in Korea before shipping to CERN for additional cross-check measurements





# GEM (GE1/1) Production Coordination



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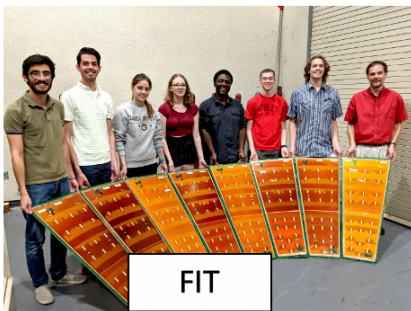
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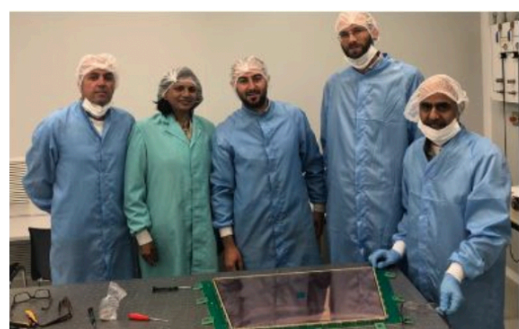
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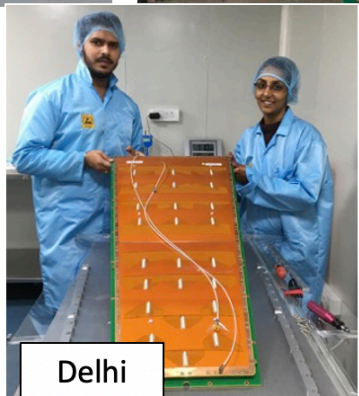
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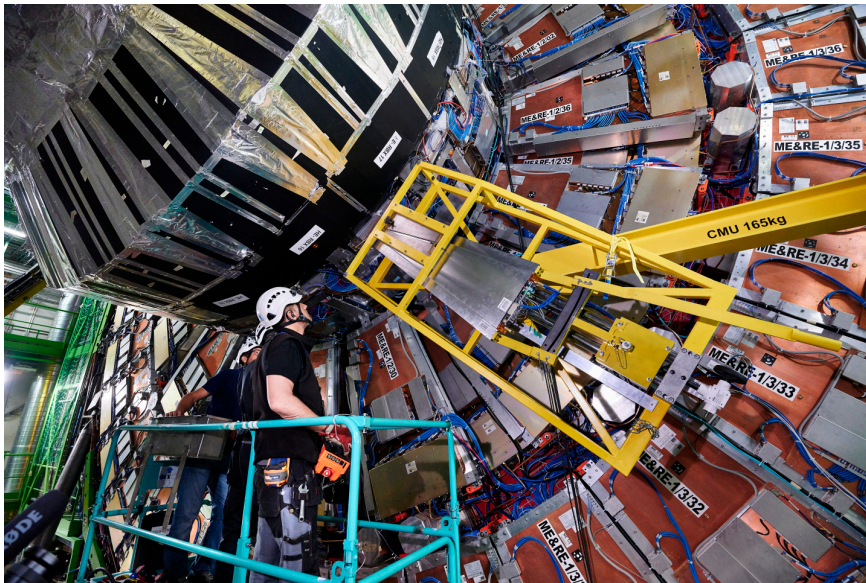
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# Technical Coordination & Detector Integration

## GE-1/1 SCs installation in negative end-cap

- ✓ Installation of all 36 super-chambers for the first end-cap completed in Oct. 2019
- Multiple installation windows from July 2019 to October 2019



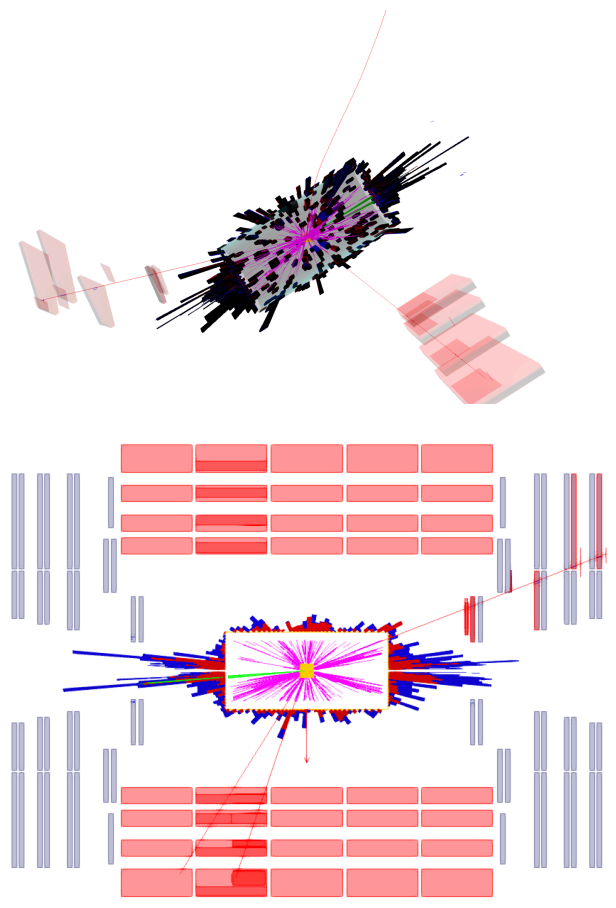
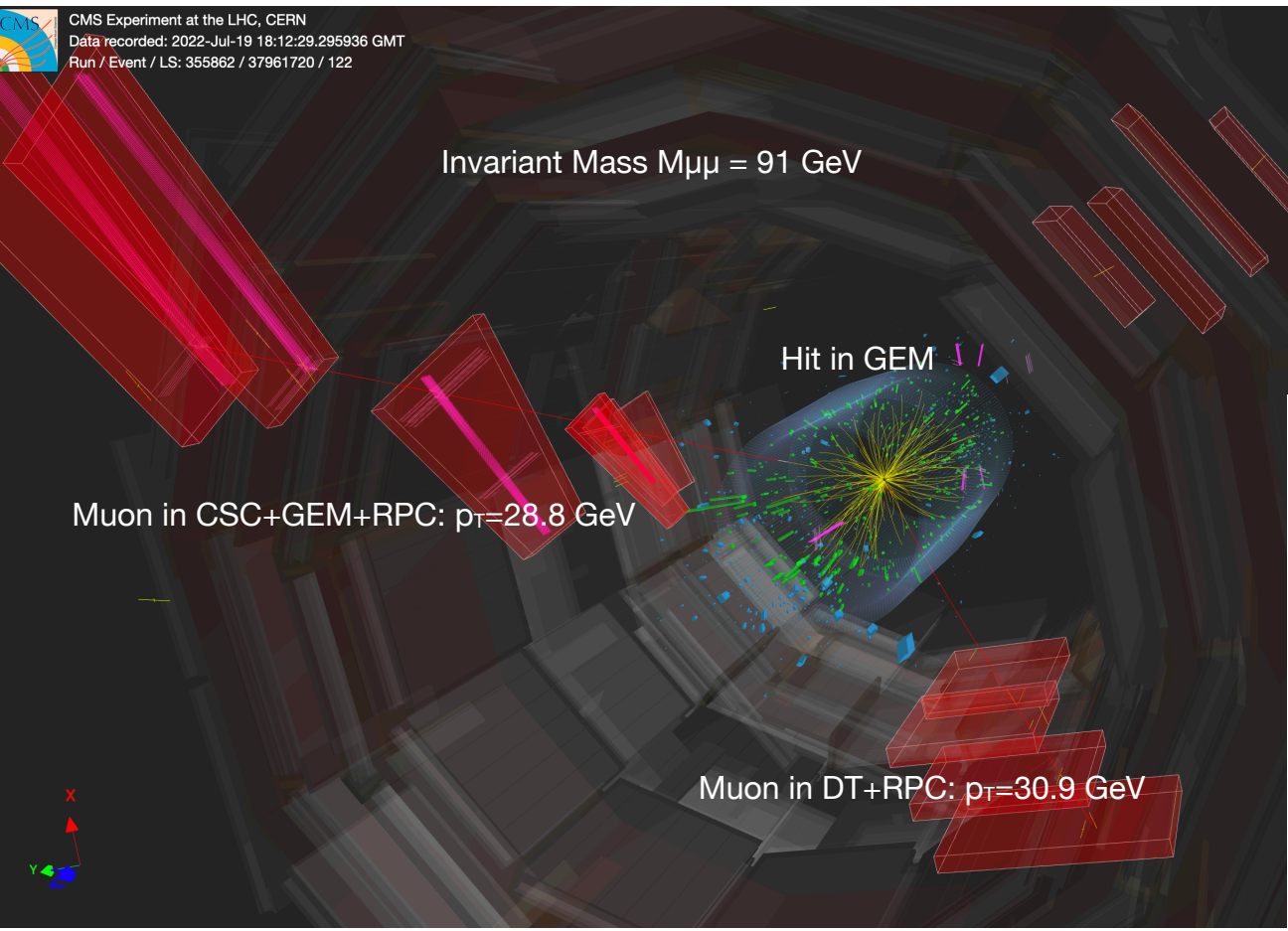
## GE-1/1 SCs installation in the positive end-cap

- ✓ Installation of all 36 super-chambers for the second end-cap completed in Sept. 2020
- Installation and commissioning phase delayed to the COVID-19 lockdown





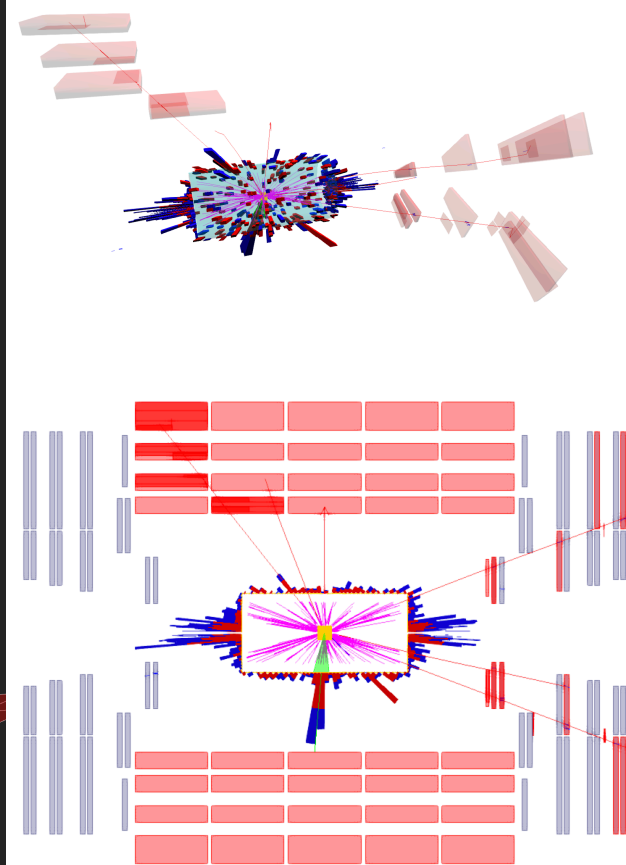
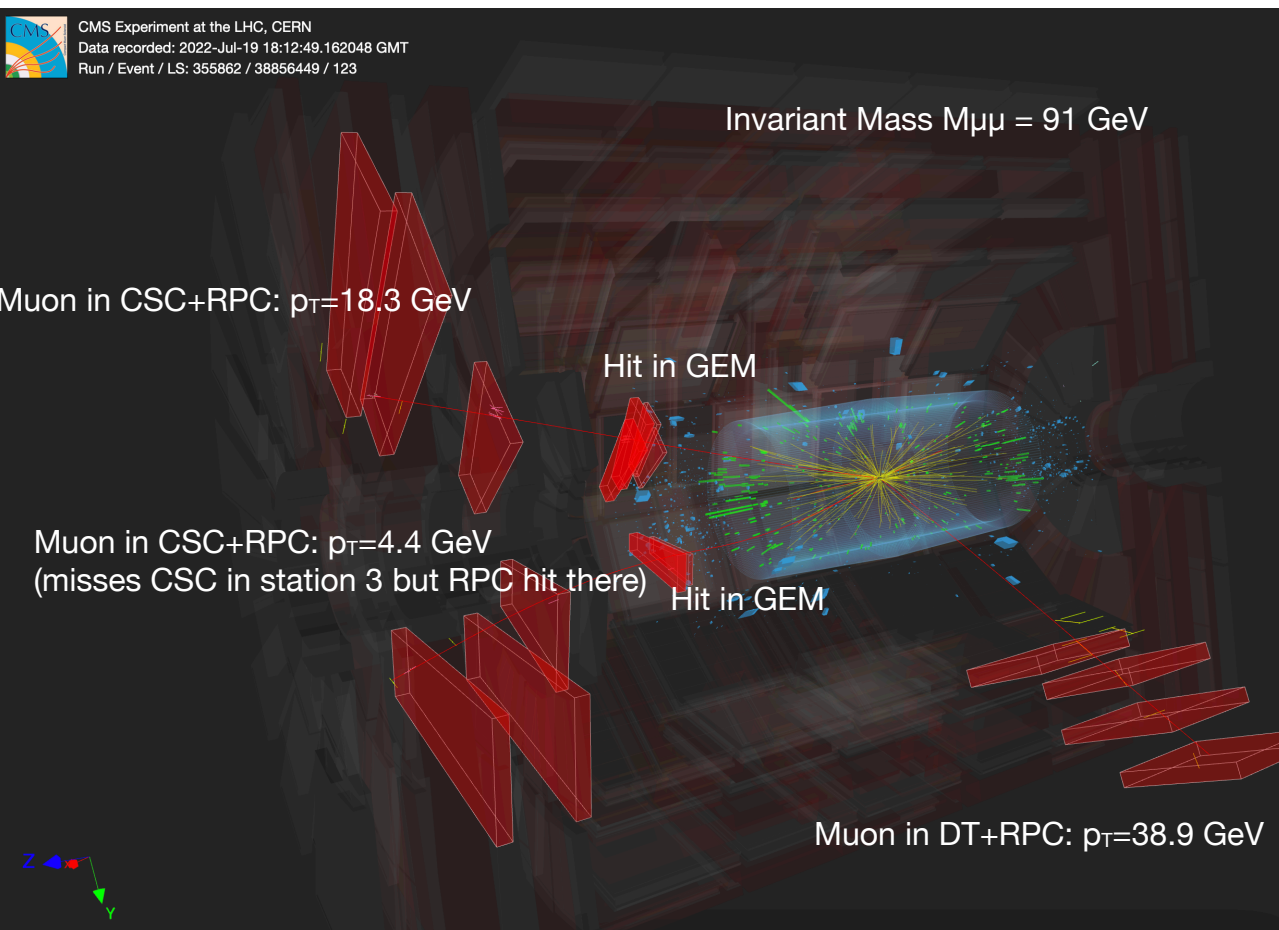
# CMS Event with muons in all muon subdetectors





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CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN  
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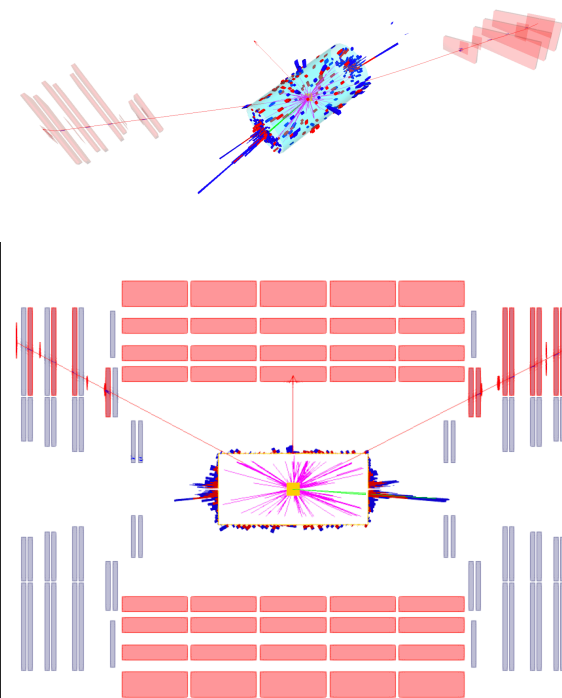
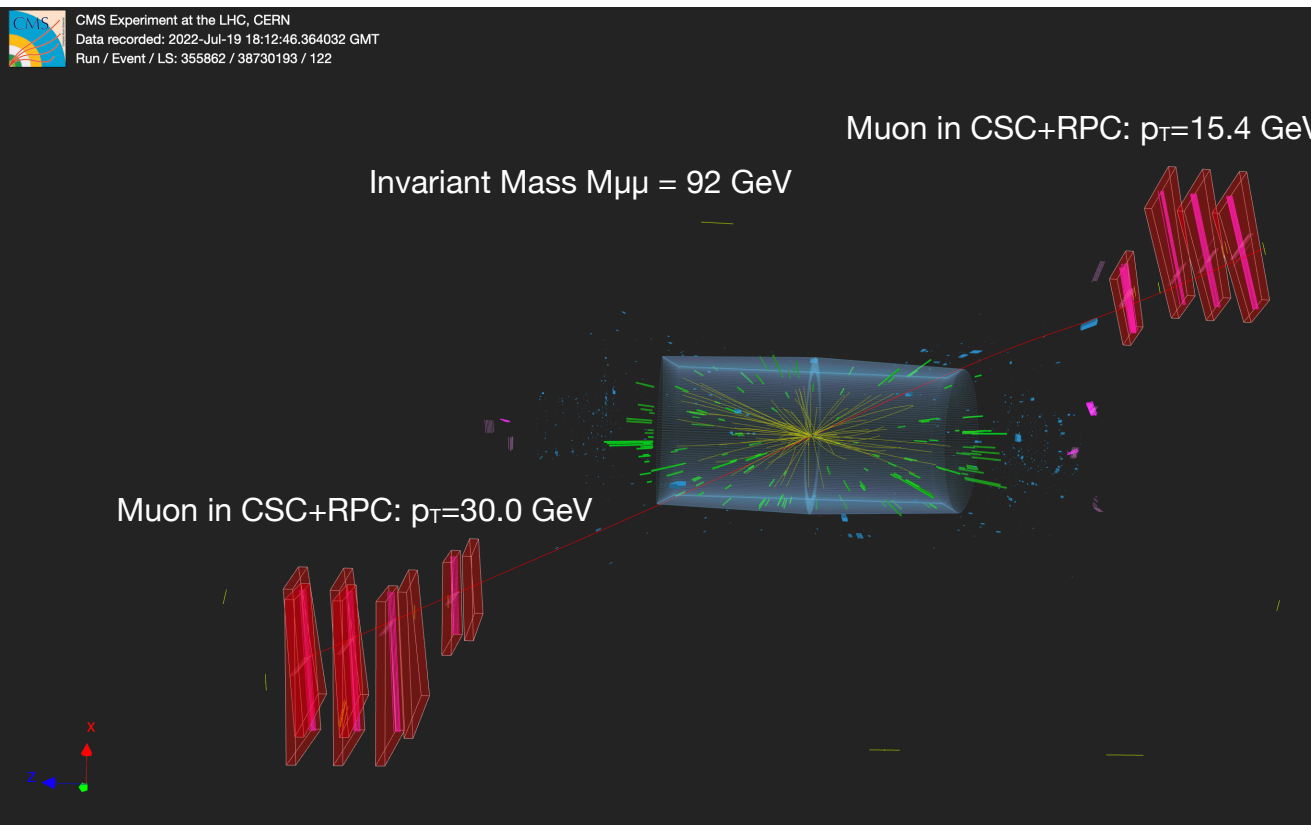


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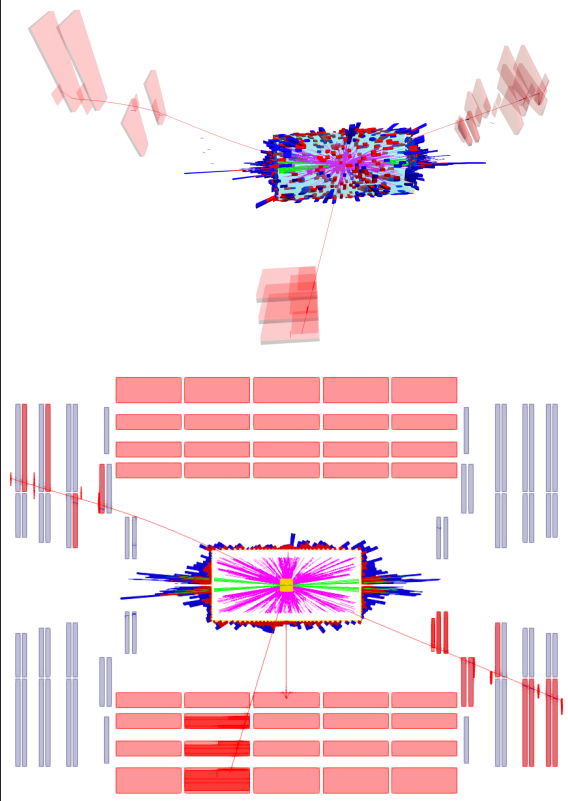
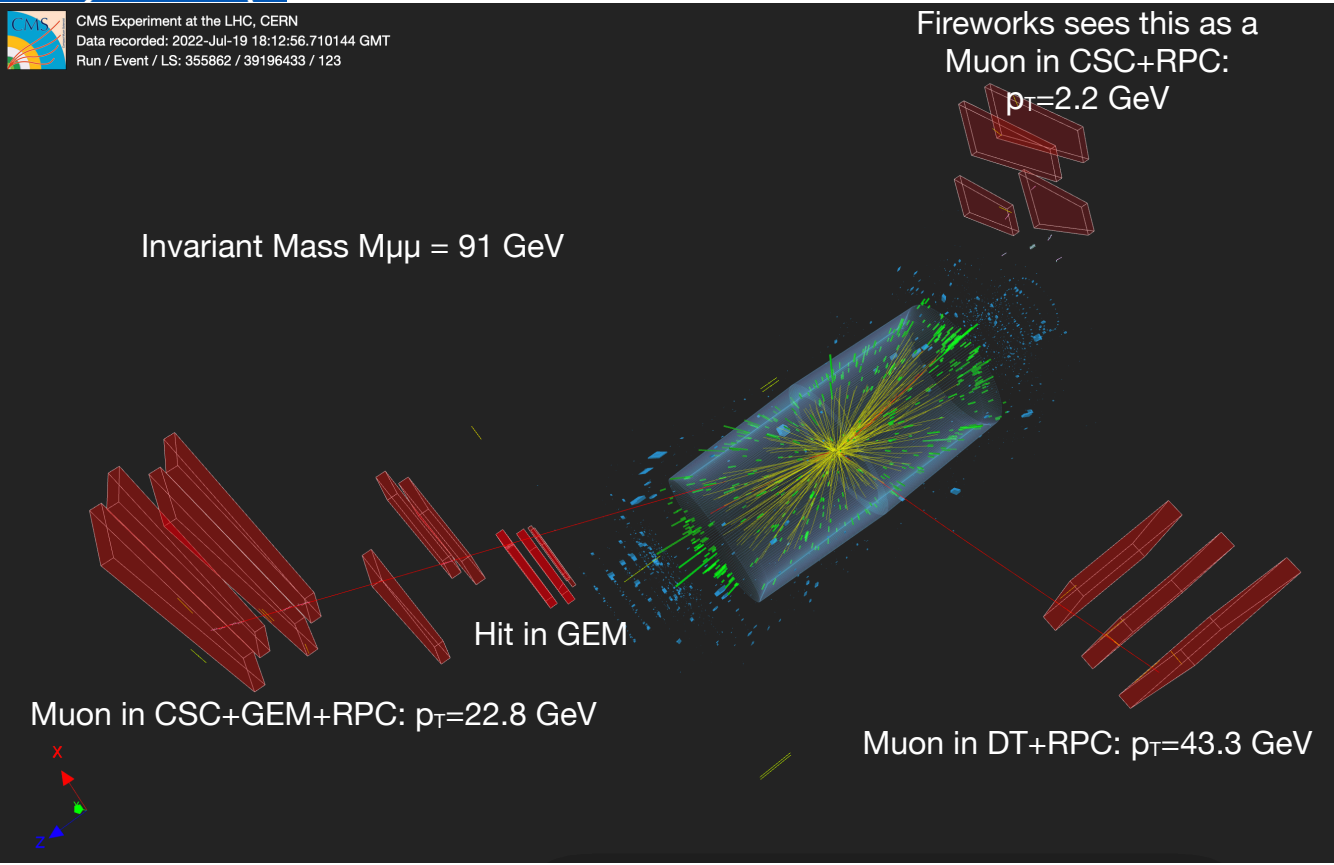
Muon in CSC+RPC:  $p_T=15.4$  GeV  
Invariant Mass  $M_{\mu\mu} = 92$  GeV

Muon in CSC+RPC:  $p_T=30.0$  GeV



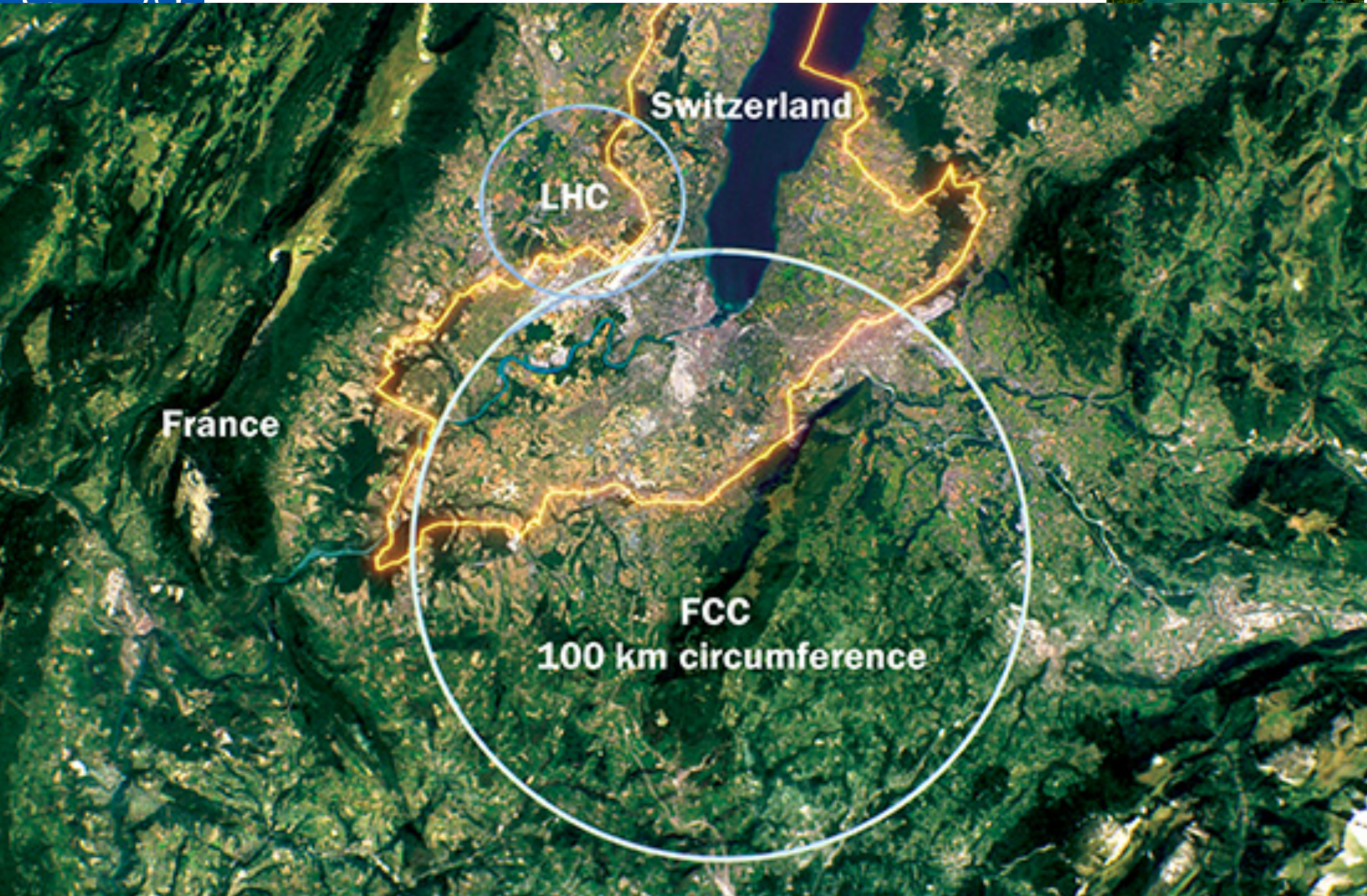


# CMS Event with muons in all muon subdetectors





# FCC Feasibility Study (FS) 2021-2025





# Gaseous Tracking / Muon Detection @ Future Colliders:

## Drift Chamber $\rightarrow$ TPC $\rightarrow$ RPC $\rightarrow$ Micro-Pattern Gas Detectors

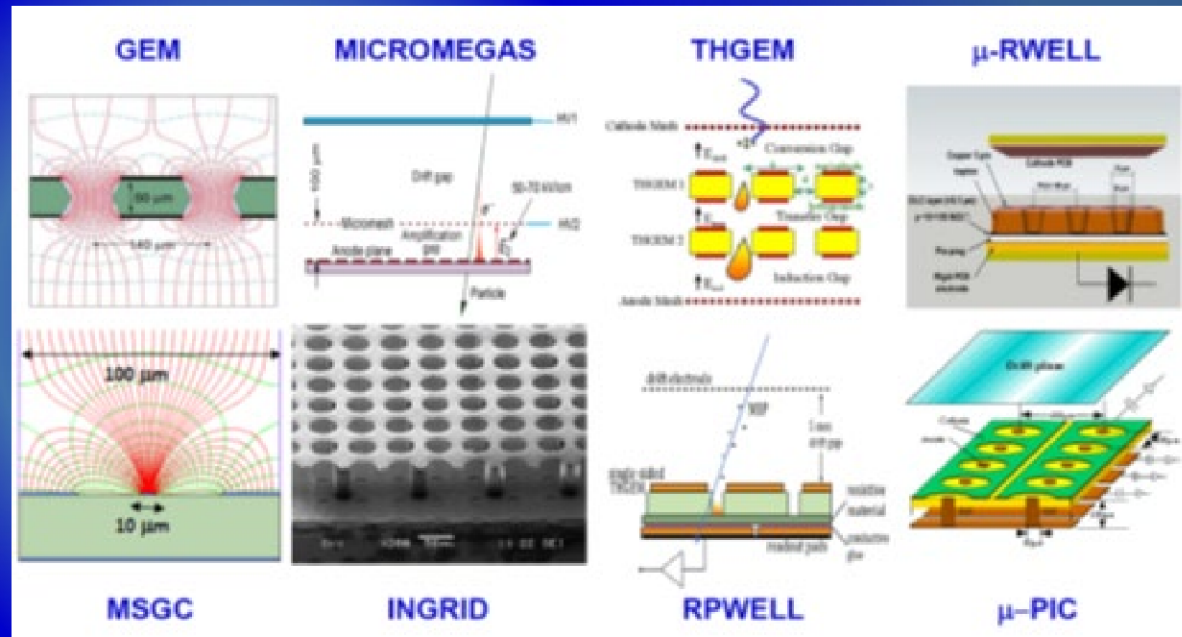
Primary choice for large-area coverage with low material-budget (+ dE/dx measurement)

1990's: Industrial advances in photolithography has favoured the invention of novel micro-structured gas amplification devices (MSGC, GEM, Micromegas, ...)

- ✓ Scaling up MPGD detectors, while preserving the typical properties of small prototypes, allowed their use in the LHC upgrades  
 $\rightarrow$  Many emerged from the R&D studies within the CERN-RD51 Collaboration

- ✓ Successful accomplishment of LHC upgrades will help to disseminate MPGD technologies even wider

**RD51 extension (2019-2023):**  
**arXiv: 1806.09955**



HL-LHC Upgrades: Tracking (ALICE TPC/GEM); Muon Systems: RPC, CSC, MDT, TGC, GEM, Micromegas;

Future Hadron Colliders: FCC-hh Muon System (MPGD - OK, particle rates are comparable with HL-LHC)

Future Lepton Colliders: Tracking (FCC-ee / CepC - Drift Chambers; ILC / CePC - TPC with MPGD readout)

Calorimetry (ILC, CepC - RPC or MPGD), Muon Systems (many gas det. are OK)

Future Electron-Ion Collider: Tracking (GEM,  $\mu$ WELL; TPC/MPGD), RICH (THGEM), TRD (GEM)





# What are the challenges met for LHC?



Design of high performance, high resolution and extreme radiation tolerant detectors

Extremely radiation tolerant detector technology

~10gray / year

Long term integration complex and large size heterogeneous detector systems in harsh environments

Magnetic field tolerant detector technology

4T

Operational frequency resulting from particle collisions every 25nsec

40MHz

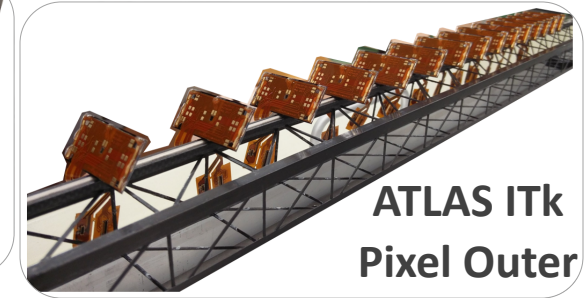
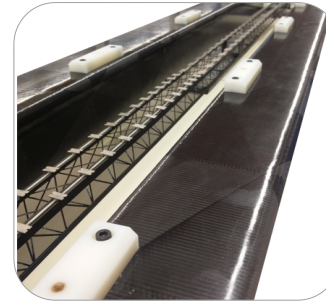
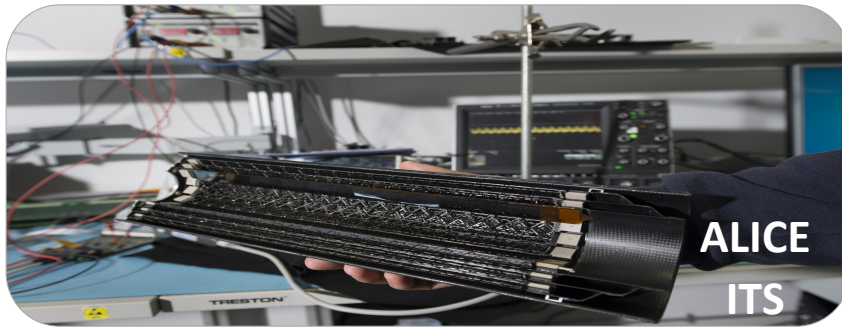
Broad range of assembly, testing and qualifying capabilities, required to develop and commission new detector systems.

Number of sensors in the LHC

150 M



# Designing stable carbon fibre structures



Expertise in the design, manufacture, installation and integration of stable, lightweight support structures based on Carbon Fibre Composite Materials,

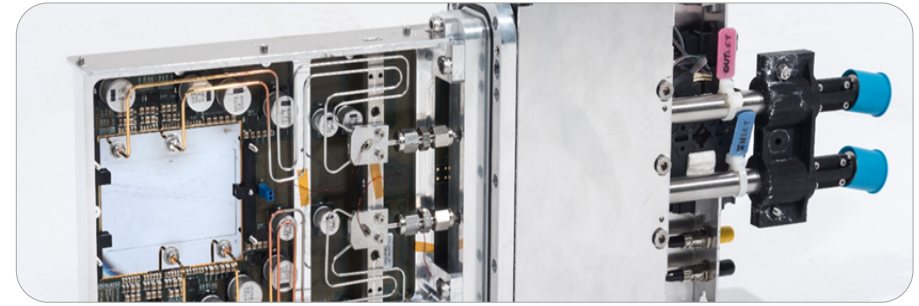
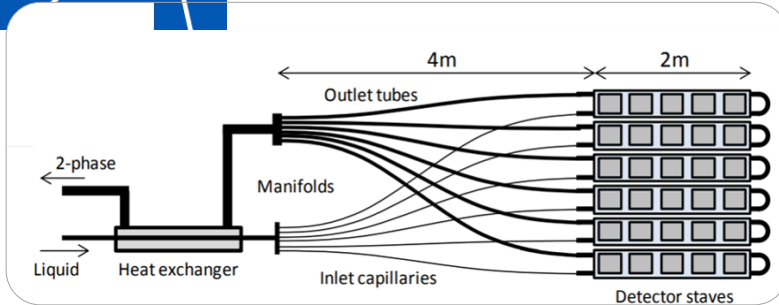
Required to provide long lasting structural integrity and stability to the detectors while being exposed to high radiation and magnetic fields.

Expertise and know-how in:

- Filament winding, hand layup and resin transfer moulding.
- Material characterisation.
- Sensor integration for structural health monitoring.
- Integration of electronics components.
- Design and integration of advanced thermal-management solutions (e.g. micro-cooling plates).
- Fittings – Welding, soldering, gluing.



# Thermal management using silicon microchannels



The volumetric power density of a LHC Pixel detector is approximately  $100 \text{ W/dm}^3$  - comparable to the most demanding high power electronics applications. To provide stable and precisely controlled thermal management, CERN experts have developed know-how in the design and manufacture of ultra-thin microchannel cooling plates.

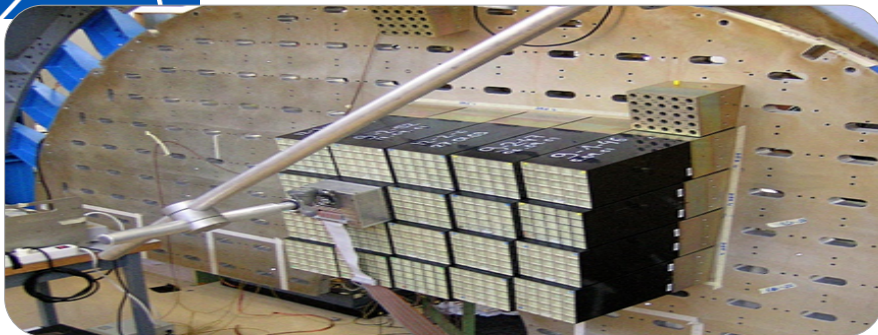
- Proven technology - already adopted in two experiments at CERN
- Cooling up to  $100\text{s W/cm}^2$  depending on design
- Down to  $150\mu\text{m}$  silicon
- Suitable for single or two-phase refrigerants
- No mismatch in coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE) between integrated circuits
- Significant expertise in the integration of micro-scale components, surface preparation, and bonding techniques
- Ongoing R&D on new microfabrication techniques

Cooling of integrated circuits, particularly where stable thermal management is needed, for example...

- Laboratory coolers
- Manufacturing of specialised components
- Data centres
- Know-how on designs for high power density cooling:
  - ➔ **Increase performance and protect electronic equipment from thermal damage**
- Ultra-compact, integrated cold plate/heat exchanger:
  - ➔ **Reduce space requirements**
- Know-how on interconnection of multiple devices:
  - ➔ **Large cooling surfaces possible ( $>300\text{mm}$ )**



# Designing scintillator based detectors



Scintillators are applied in high-energy physics to measure the energy of particles that are produced in particle physics experiments. Therefore, CERN

developed highly specialized expertise and infrastructure for research and development of inorganic scintillation technologies for novel ionizing radiation detectors.

- Characterization of scintillation materials and detectors: thermalized benches for characterization of transmission, emission light yield and timing properties, single photon counting and coincidence time measurements, spectrophoto- and fluorimetry, streak camera, pulsed X-rays and irradiation facilities
- Monte Carlo simulation, including ray tracing of light transport and collection
- Nanocrystals, metamaterials and nanophotonics

- Particle physics
- Medical imaging – radiology and nuclear imaging
- Radiation protection
- Industrial applications - non-destructive testing
- Complete and versatile scintillator research infrastructure

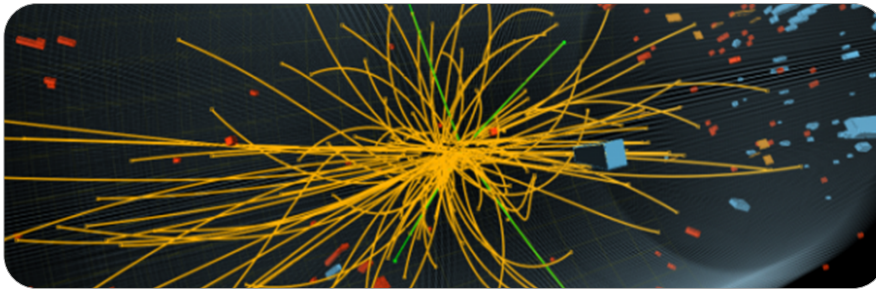
→ **Characterisation of components and full detector chain**

- Simulation of complex detector systems  
→ **Cost-efficient optimization**
- Broad knowledge in detector materials  
→ **Adaptable to many fields of application**



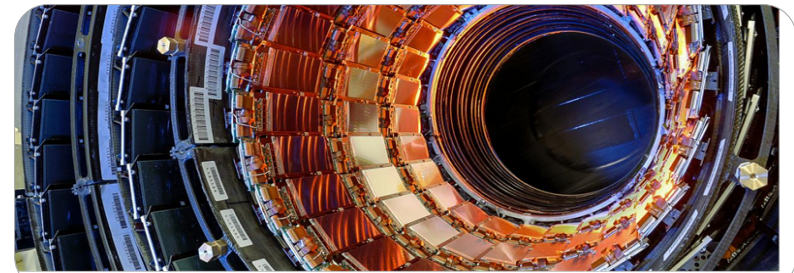


# High resolution silicon detectors



The LHC equipment is exposed to high levels of radiation. Therefore, CERN has developed unique expertise in design and integration of high performance and extreme radiation tolerant ASICs. Broad range of testing and qualifying capability for radiation hardness of ASICs. Pushing the limits of mixed-mode circuit design for large detector systems.

- Design of hybrid pixel detectors (Medipix family chips)
- Design of monolithic detectors (ALPIDE, MALTA)
- Design and integration in complex systems including Front-End electronics, mechanical structure and cooling devices



- Medical imaging
- Hadron-therapy beam monitoring
- X rays imaging
- Non-destructive testing
- Particle track reconstruction for Aerospace
- Colour Xray imaging

→ Detect various components

- High resolution, able to count single photons

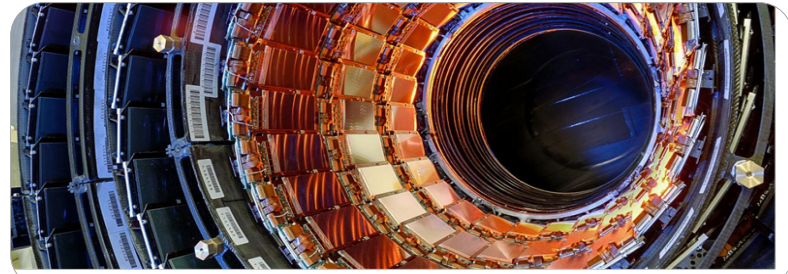
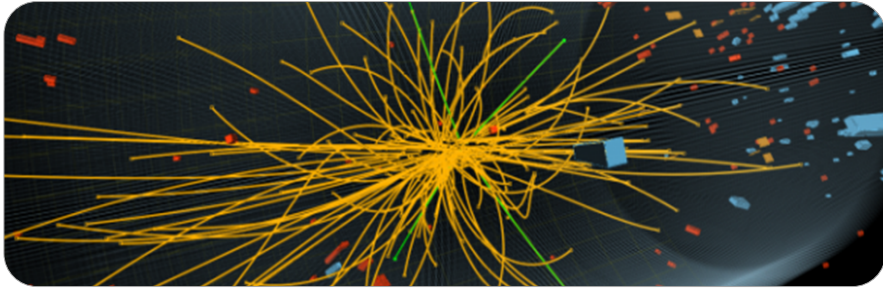
→ Designed for particle tracking

- Can be used on wide range of detection devices

→ Very broad applicability



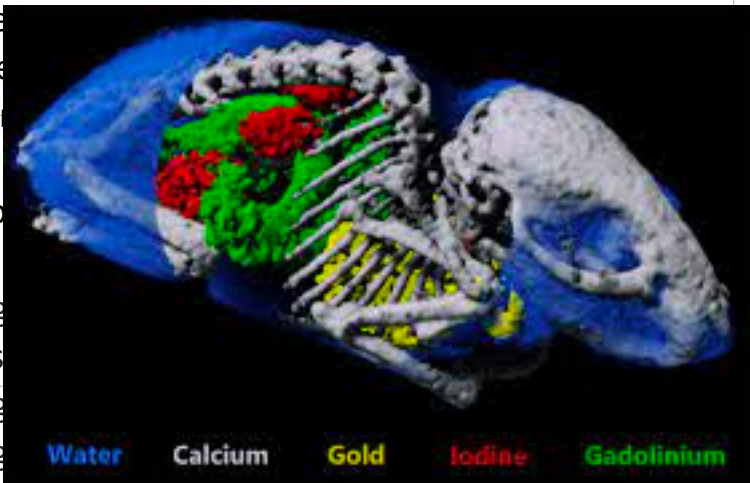
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- Design chips
- Design
- Design



Front-End electronics, mechanical structure and cooling devices

- Medical imaging



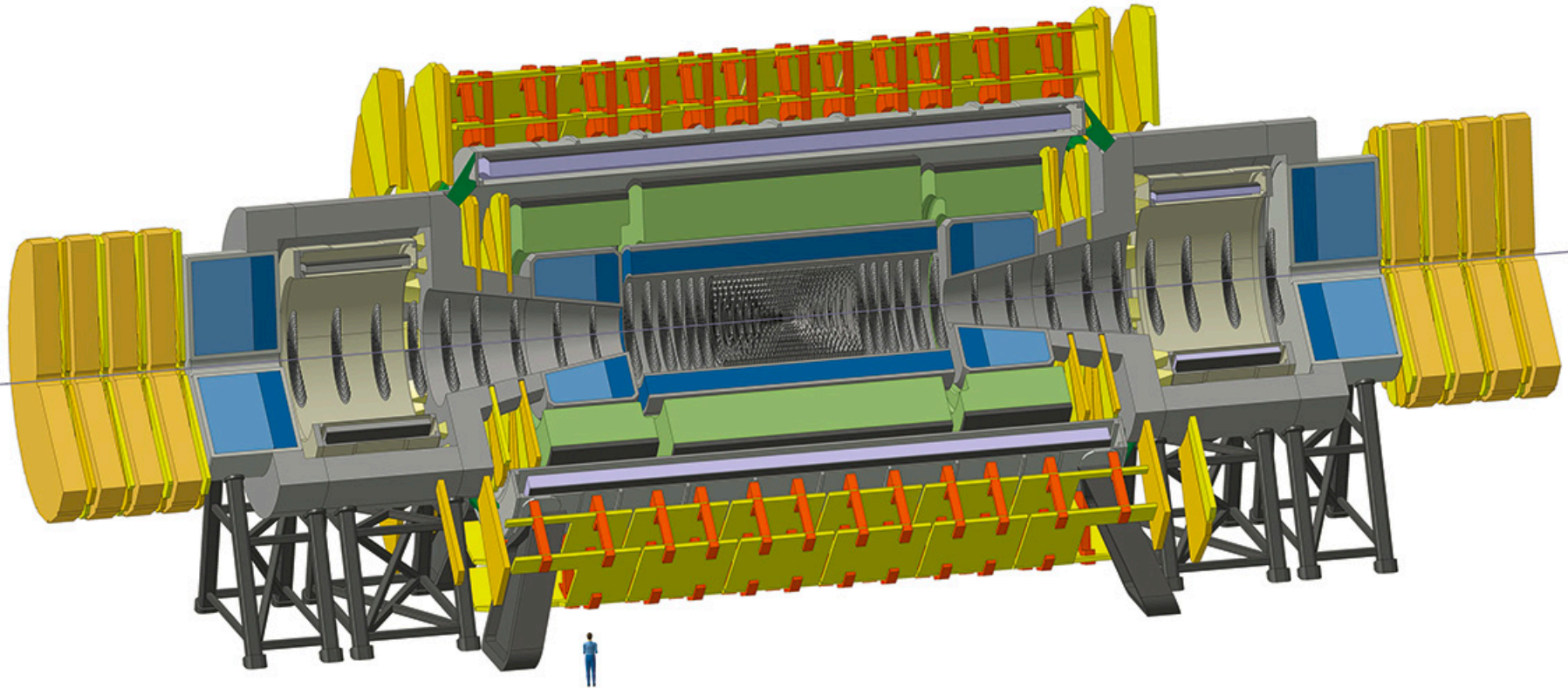
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A pileup of 1000 proton–proton collisions per bunch-crossing, highly boosted objects and radiation levels up to  $10^{18}$  hadrons per  $\text{cm}^2$  are just some of the challenges in extracting physics from a next-generation hadron collider to follow the LHC.



The layout of the FCC-hh reference detector, with a diameter of 20 m and length of 50 m, comparable to the dimensions of the ATLAS detector but much heavier. The central detector houses the tracking, electromagnetic calorimetry and hadron calorimetry inside a 4 T solenoid with a free bore diameter of 10 m (purple). The forward parts are displaced by 10 m from the interaction point, with two forward magnet coils (solenoids shown) providing the required bending power. The muon system is placed outside the magnet coils

Source: CERN Yellow Reports Monographs CERN-2022-002

# Towards Large Area in Fast Timing GASEOUS DETECTORS

## Multi-Gap Resistive Plate Chambers (MRPC):

- ✓ ALICE TOF detector (160m<sup>2</sup>) achieved time res. ~ 60 ps
- ✓ New studies with MRPC with 20 gas gaps using a low-resistivity 400 μm-thick glass → down to 20 ps time resolution

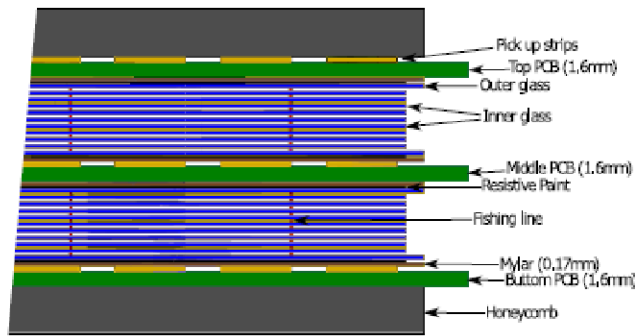
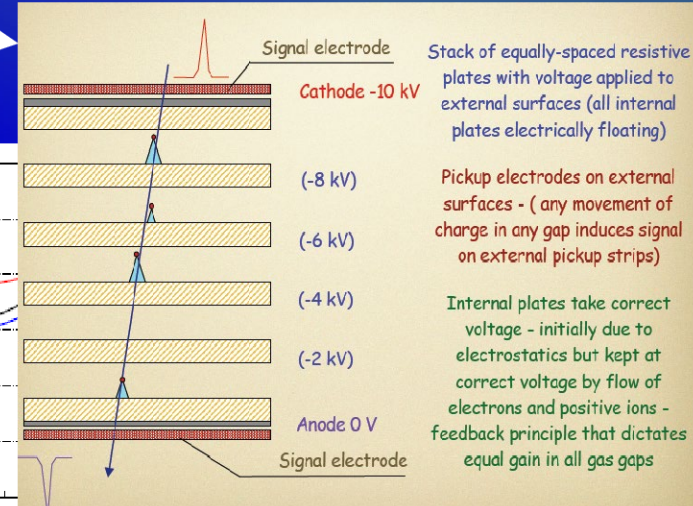
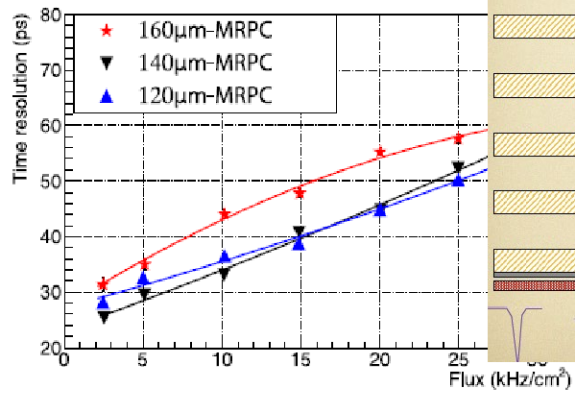


Fig. 1. Cross section of the double stack 20-gap MRPC.

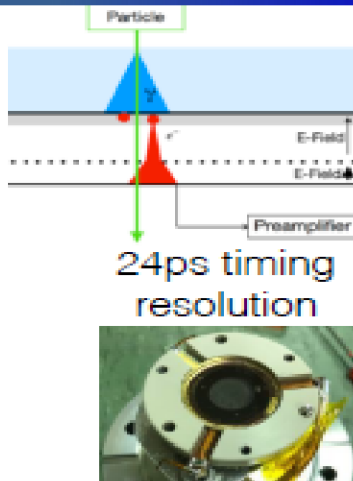


## Gaseous Detectors: Micromegas with Timing (RD51 Picosec Collaboration)

$\sigma \sim 25$  ps timing resolution (per track)

Cherenkov radiator + Photocathode + Micromegas

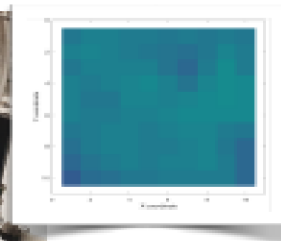
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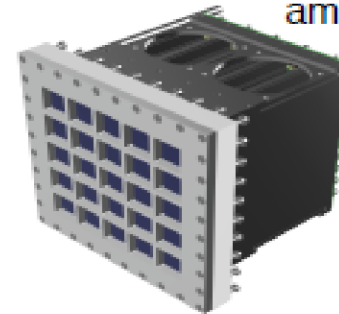
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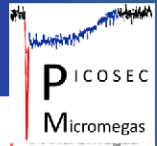
10x10 module  
□ 1 cm



Planarity  
< 10μm



Custom pre-amp cards

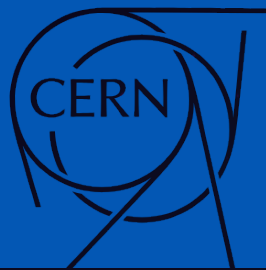


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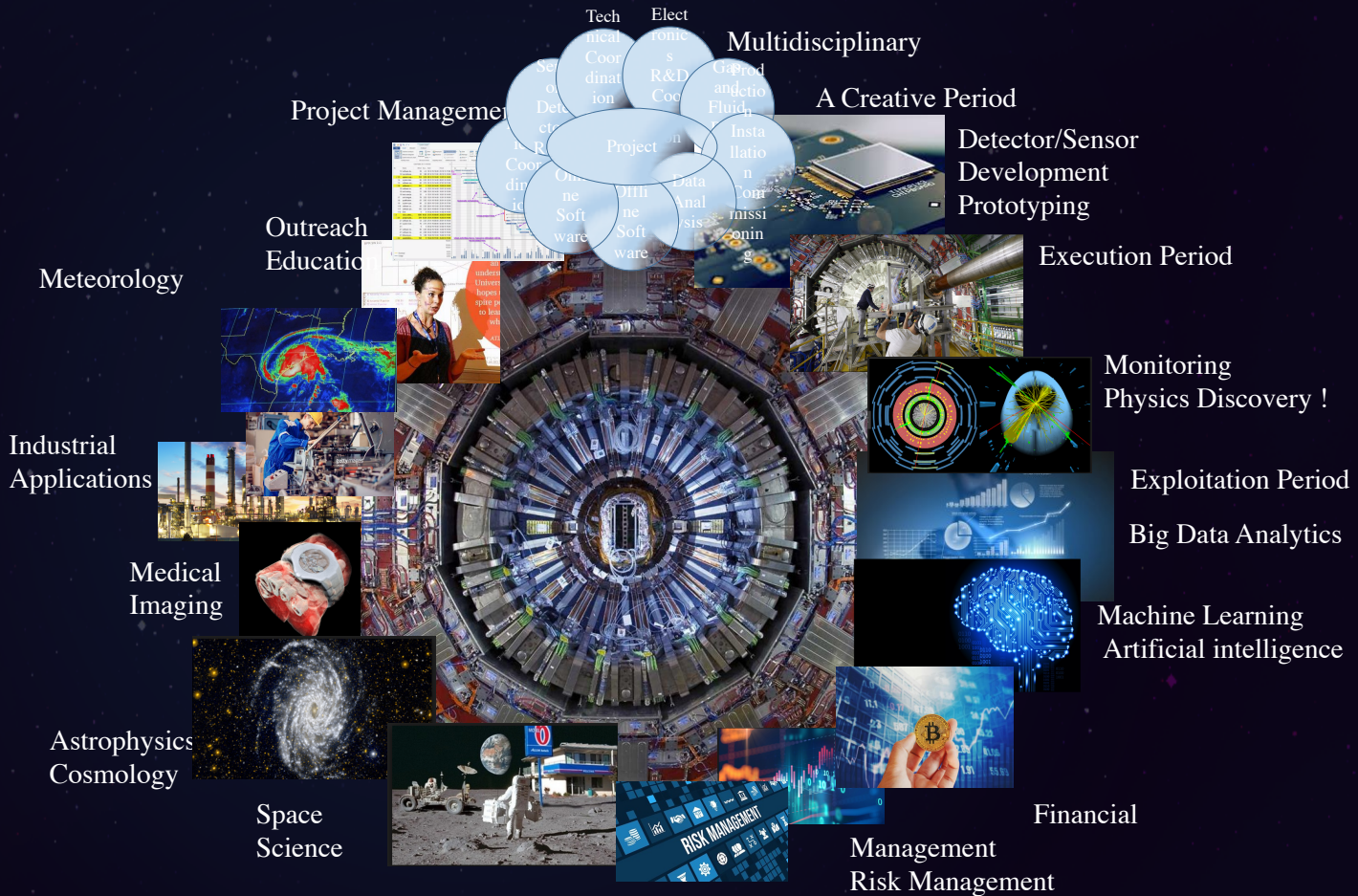


# Gaseous Tracking Systems @ Future Colliders

Experiment / Timescale	Application Domain	Gas Detector Technology	Total detector size / Single module size	Operation Characteristics / Performance	Special Requirements/ Remarks
<b>ILC TPC DETECTOR:</b>  STARTt: > 2035	e+e- Collider Tracking + dE/dx	MM, GEM (pads) InGrid (pixels)	Total area: ~ 20 m <sup>2</sup>  Single unit detect: ~ 400 cm <sup>2</sup> (pads) ~ 130 cm <sup>2</sup> (pixels)	<b>Max. rate:</b> < 1 kHz <b>Spatial res.:</b> <150μm <b>Time res.:</b> ~ 15 ns <b>dE/dx:</b> 5 %	Si + TPC Momentum resolution :  dp/p < 9*10 <sup>-5</sup> 1/GeV Power-pulsing
<b>CEPC TPC DETECTOR</b>  START: > 2030	e+e- Collider Tracking + dE/dx	MM, GEM (pads) InGrid (pixels)	Total area: ~ 2x10 m <sup>2</sup>  Single unit detect: up to 0.04 m <sup>2</sup>	<b>Max.rate:</b> >100 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> <b>Spatial res.:</b> ~100μm <b>Time res.:</b> ~ 100 ns <b>dE/dx:</b> <5%	- Higgs run - Z pole run - Continues readout - Low IBF and dE/dx
<b>FCC-ee and/or CEPC IDEA CENTRAL TRACKER</b> START: >2030	e+e- Collider Tracking/ Triggering	He based Drift Chamber	Total volume: 50 m <sup>3</sup>  Single unit detect: (12 m <sup>2</sup> X 4 m)	<b>Max. rate:</b> < 25 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> <b>Spatial res.:</b> <100 μm <b>Time res.:</b> 1 ns <b>Rad. Hard.:</b> NA	Particle separation with cluster counting at 2% level
<b>SUPER-CHARM TAU FACTORY</b>  START: > 2025	e+e- Collider Main Tracker	Drift Chamber	Total volume: ~ 3.6 m <sup>3</sup>	<b>Max. rate:</b> 1 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> <b>Spatial res.:</b> ~100 μm <b>Time res.:</b> ~ 100 ns <b>Rad. Hard.:</b> ~ 1 C/cm	
<b>SUPER-CHARM TAU FACTORY</b>  START: > 2025	e+e- Collider Inner Tracker	Inner Tracker / (cylindrical μRWELL, or TPC / MPDG read.	Total area: ~ 2 - 4 m <sup>2</sup>  Single unit detect: 0.5 m <sup>2</sup>	<b>Max. rate:</b> 50-100 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> <b>Spatial res.:</b> ~<100 μm <b>Time res.:</b> ~ 5 -10 ns <b>Rad. Hard.:</b> ~ 0.1-1 C/cm <sup>2</sup>	Challenging mechanics & mat. budget < 1% X0
<b>ELECTRON-ION COLLIDER (EIC)</b>  START: > 2025	Electron-Ion Collider Tracking	Barrel: cylindrical MM, μRWELL  Endcap: GEM, MM, μRWELL	Total area: ~ 25 m <sup>2</sup>	Luminosity (e-p): 10 <sup>33</sup> <b>Spatial res.:</b> ~ 50- 100 um <b>Max. rate:</b> ~ kHz/cm <sup>2</sup>	Barrel technical challenges: low mass, large area Endcap: moderate technical challenges



# And the cycle continues....



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