

Accelerators and Cosmic Ray Physics

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Contents:

Just a few highlights

Some history

Proton-proton and p-nuclei collisions

Now at LHC

Very far from complete!

History of the interaction of High Energy Physics and Cosmic Ray communities



Why me?

- 1) Post-doc at CERN 50 years ago. **ISR = Intersecting Storage Rings** started 1971 (1st pp collider)
Equivalent Fixed Target energy $26 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow 2000 \text{ GeV}$ « Into the realm of cosmic rays »
Small Angle Spectrometer – measured charged hadron spectra all $x_F = p_z/p_{\text{beam}}$
Feynman scaling & Hypothesis of Limiting Fragmentation
~ 1990 SPS [Cygnus X3]
- 2) **Fermilab – CDF. AUGER**'s early days, Fermilab study and Technical Design Report (FT looking in)
- 3) ISVHECRI 2010 at Fermilab : Accelerator Data for Cosmic Ray Physics – unexplored phase space
- 4). Tevatron (**CDF**) > LHC (**CMS**) > LHC (**FHS** = Forward Hadron Spectrometer)? 2024??

Topics – too vast a field for one talk

The cosmic ray spectrum

Hadron production – generalities – focus on very forward region

Fixed target experiments : SPS – FNAL – CERN

Hadron and ion collider experiments : ISR – SppS – Tevatron – RHIC – LHC

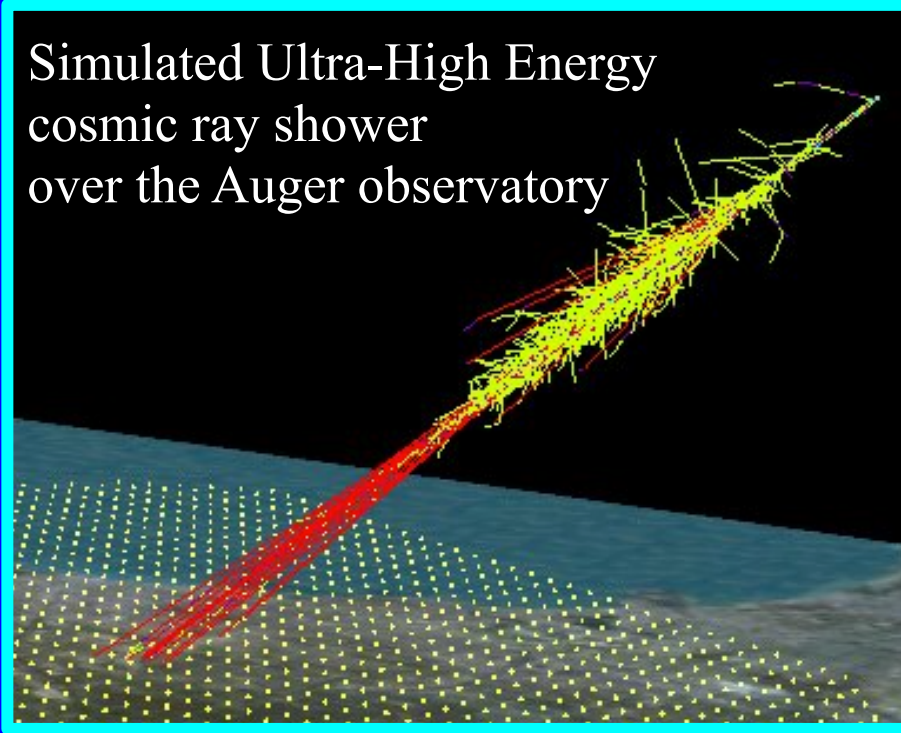
Future at LHC : AFTER (A Fixed Target Experiment at LHC) – FHS? –

Far future? : FCC = Future CERN Collider (pp & Pb+Pb & p-O and O-O ...)?

Conclusions

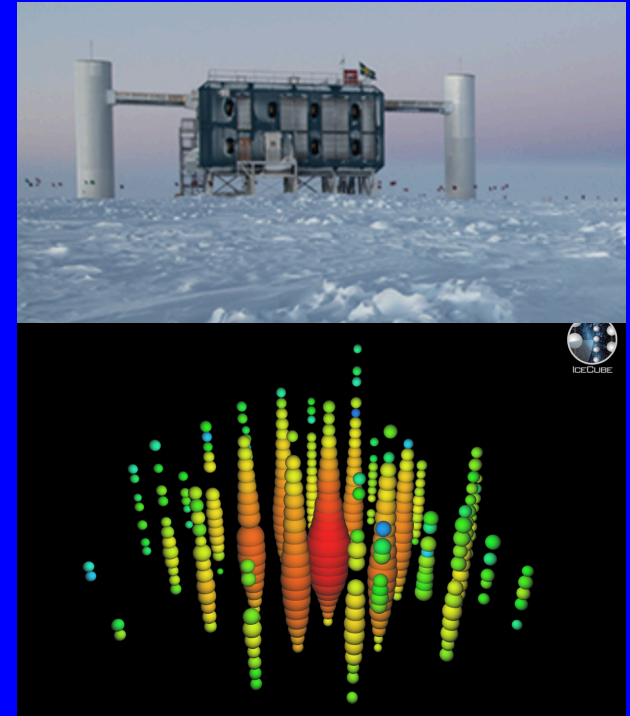
Studying the cosmos with ultra-high energy particles

Simulated Ultra-High Energy cosmic ray shower over the Auger observatory



Water Cherenkov tanks ~ 1 km spacing
+ Giant eyes looking at light flashes on dark nights

A particle shower in Antarctic ice, 1 km^3
ICECUBE started by a 1100 TeV neutrino



Simulating showers and ν rely on particle production cross sections that are not well known

Showers in atmosphere

Light emitted

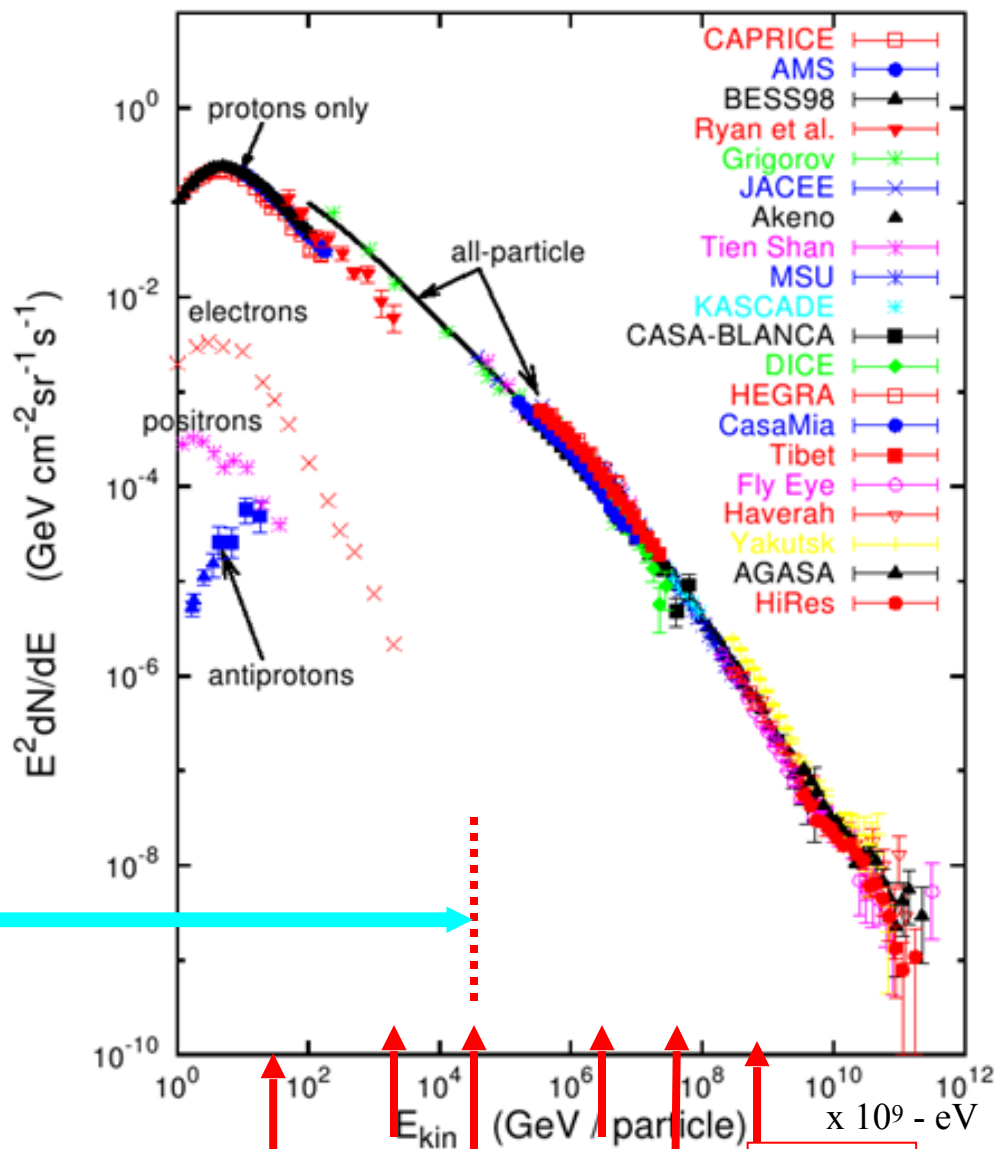
Numbers and distributions of particles

Neutrinos not included – need to know

Limit of measured
Forward spectra
 $x = 0.05 - 0.95$

2006

Energies and rates of the cosmic-ray particles



PS/AGS

ISR

TeV

FCC100

LHC13

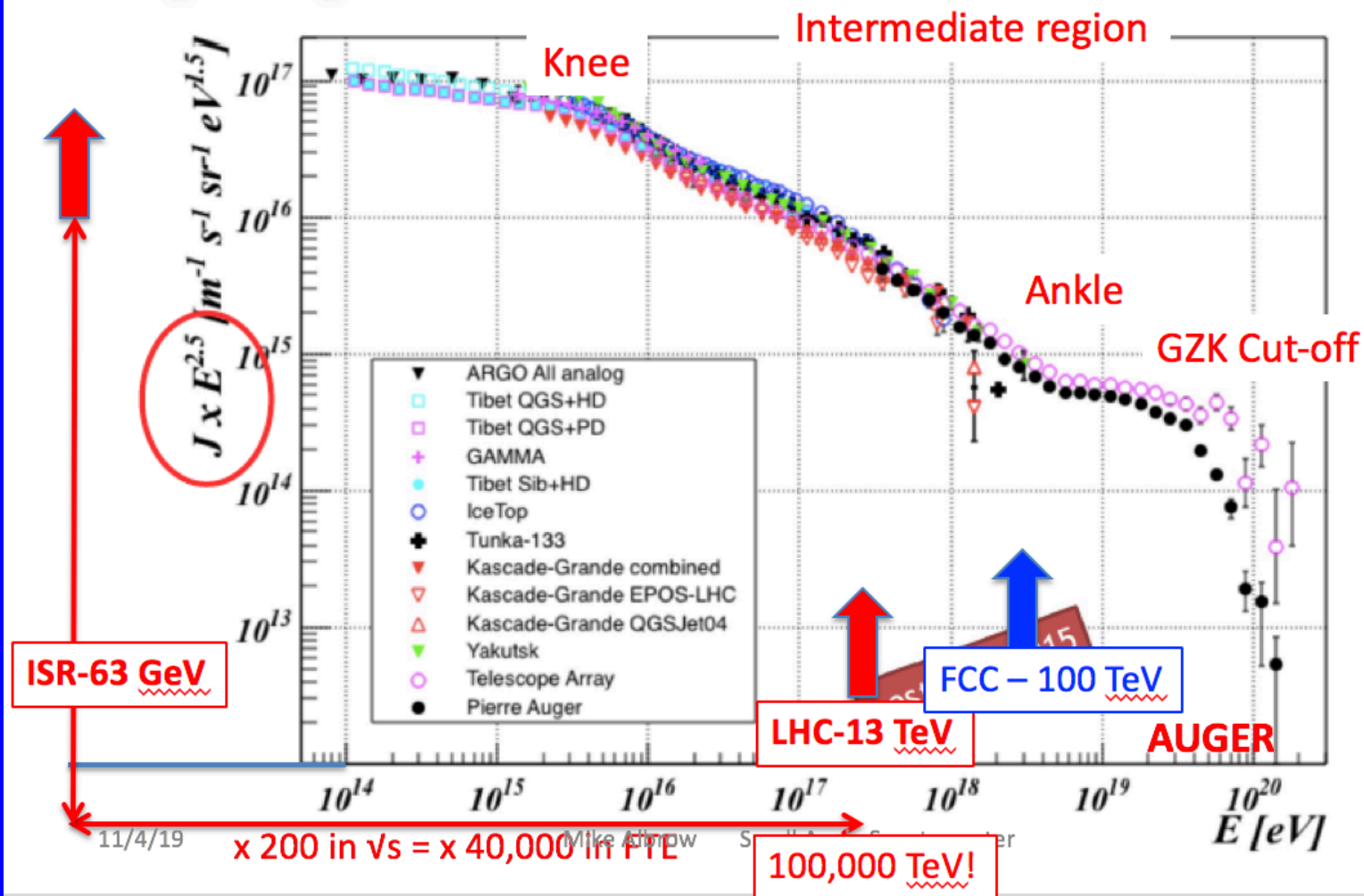
RHIC200

– June 28th 2010

COSMIC RAY SHOWERS: ASTROPHYSICS CONNECTION

Spectrum of high energy Cosmic Rays $\phi(E) \times E^{2.5}$

All particle spectrum



1940s – 1950s

Post-war support in USA for research accelerators

1946: Rad Lab at Berkeley (now LBL) 184-inch cyclotron

1947: Charged pions discovered in cosmic rays (next slide)

Associated Universities Army Camp Upton → Brookhaven National Lab.
UNESCO originated CERN 1952. 600 MeV in 1957 (synchrocyclotron)

Strong focusing principle invented →

AGS at Brookhaven (30 GeV), PS at CERN (28 GeV)

Cf. NIMROD in UK 7 GeV

1950 – From C.F. Powell's Nobel lecture (discovery of the pion)

Coming out of space and incident on the high atmosphere, there is a thin rain of charged particles known as the primary cosmic radiation. As a result of investigations extending over more than 30 years, we now know the nature of the incoming particles, and some, at least, of the most important physical processes which occur as a result of their passage through the atmosphere.

... concluding:

with their fixed and eternal atoms. At the present time a number of widely divergent hypotheses, none of which is generally accepted, have been advanced to account for the origin of the cosmic radiation. It will indeed be of great interest if the contemporary studies of the primary radiation lead us - as the Thomsons suggested, and as present tendencies seem to indicate - to the study of some of the most fundamental problems in the evolution of the cosmos.

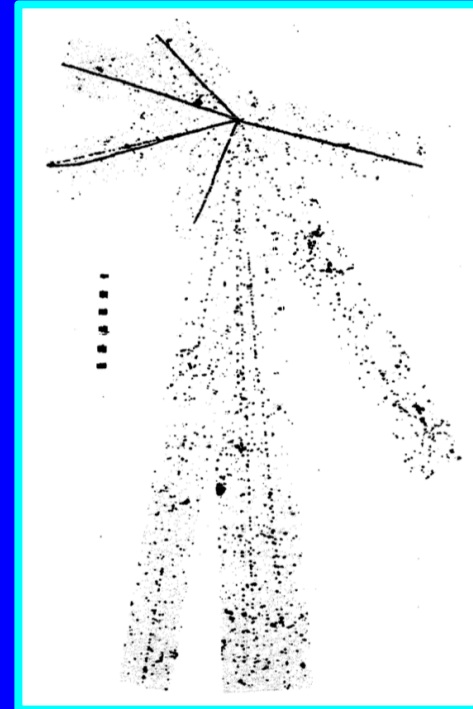
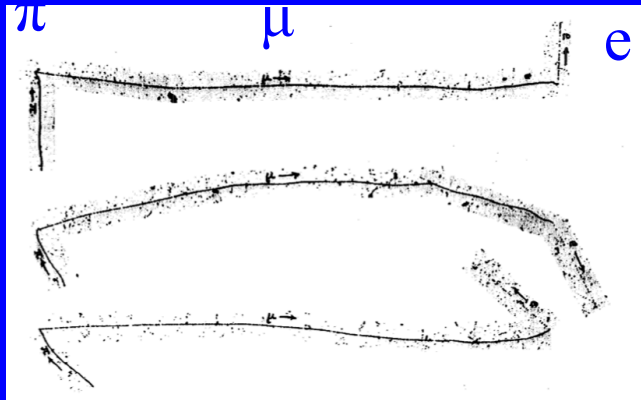
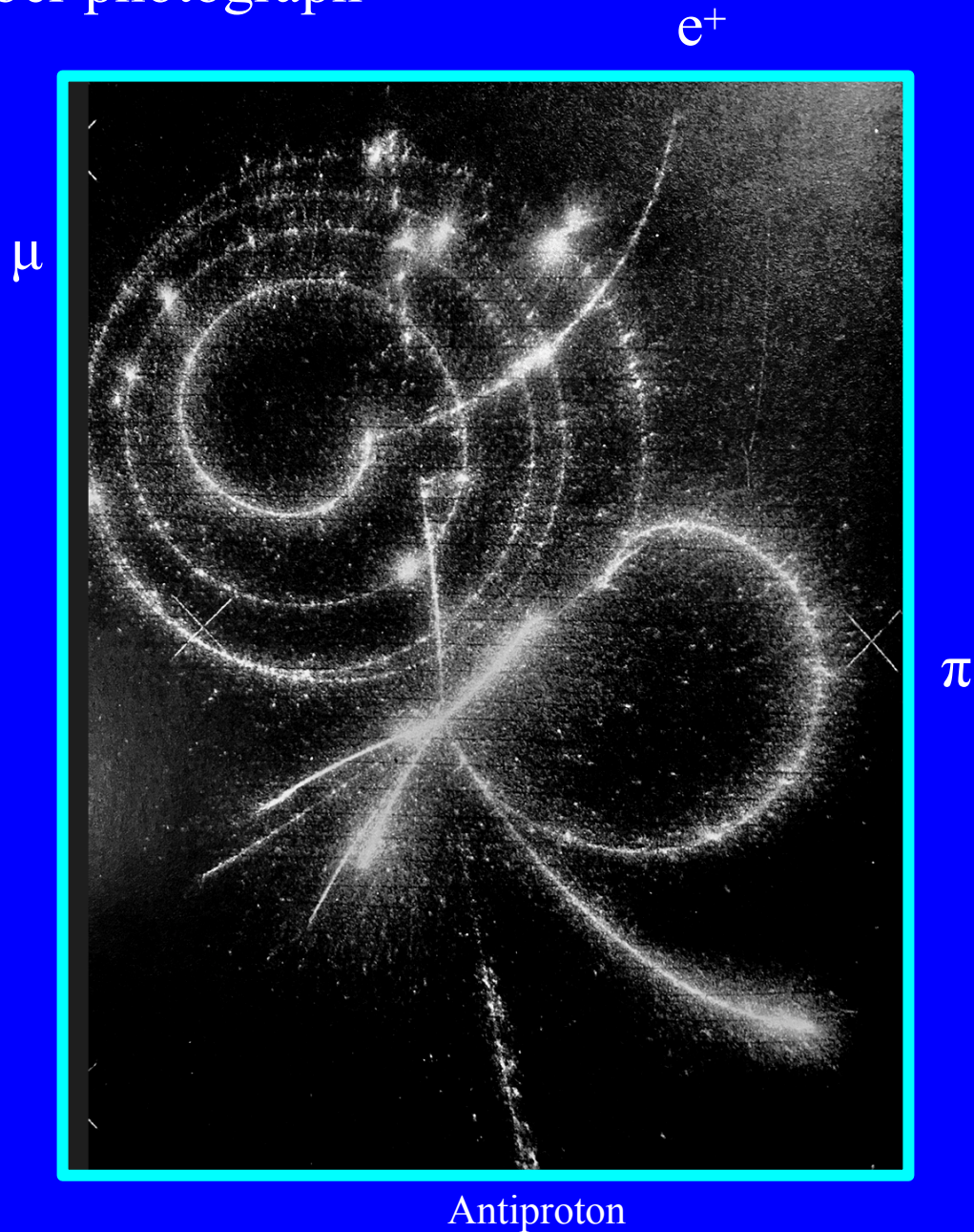


Fig. 4. A disintegration caused by a fast neutron of the cosmic radiation. The «thin tracks» of the fast-moving shower particles can be distinguished. Most of these are due to π -particles. A γ -ray, produced by the decay of a neutral π -meson, gives rise to a pair of electrons near the «star».



Examples of $\pi - \mu - e$ decays
in photographic emulsion

Streamer chamber photograph



Antiproton

1959

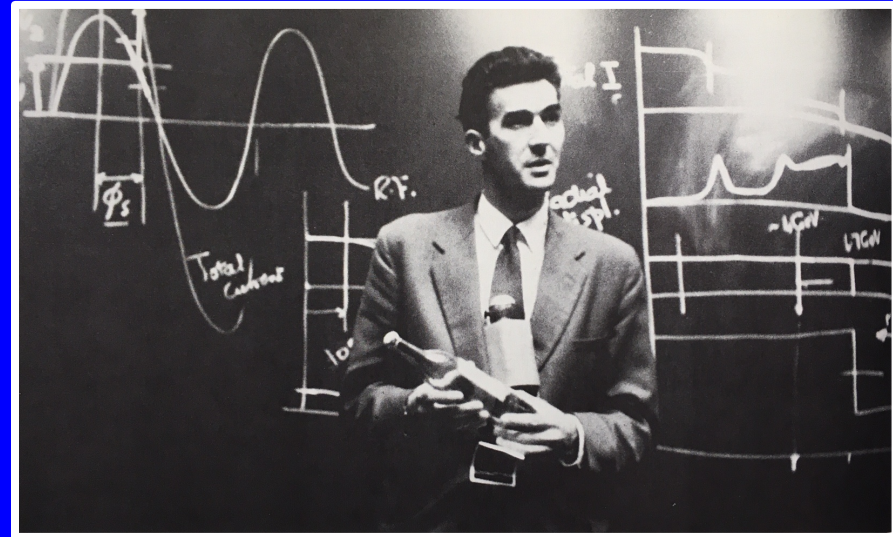
Where were we then? Accelerators first steps to the cosmos

CERN's PS = Proton Synchrotron achieves 24 GeV proton beam on November 24th beating Dubna's record of 10 GeV.



Detectors: two scintillation counters!

John Adams announcing world record in Auditorium
Bottle has polaroid of scope trace to send to Dubna



Soon - July 1960 Brookhaven AGS \rightarrow 33 BeV (GeV)

1969

Where were we then, 10 years later?

Highest energy accelerators:

CERN's Proton Synchrotron PS

Brookhaven's Alternating Gradient Synchrotron AGS

And in 1967 U70 at Serpukhov, Protvino, Russia

Proton beams on targets > beams of π -mesons, K-mesons, etc.
Proliferation of strongly interacting particles (hadrons)

Gell-Mann gets Nobel Prize for symmetries, quarks

Bjorken had just derived scaling relations

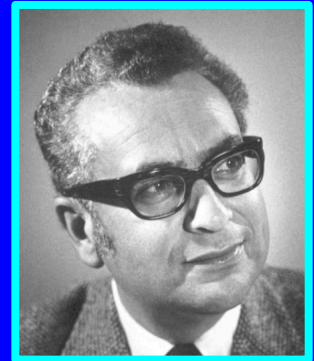
Electron hard scattering at SLAC(Stanford) finds scaling

Feynman proposes pointlike parton model \rightarrow scaling

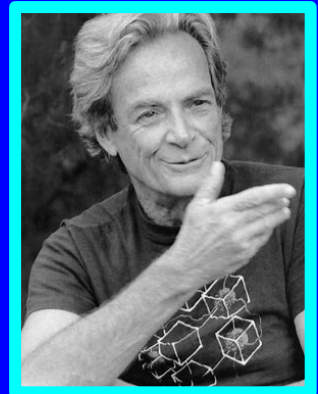
Feynman scaling : hadron spectra functions p_T & $x_F = p_z/p_{\text{beam}}$

Later: Partons known as quarks and the gluons that bind them

Theory of strong force **Quantum Chromodynamics QCD**



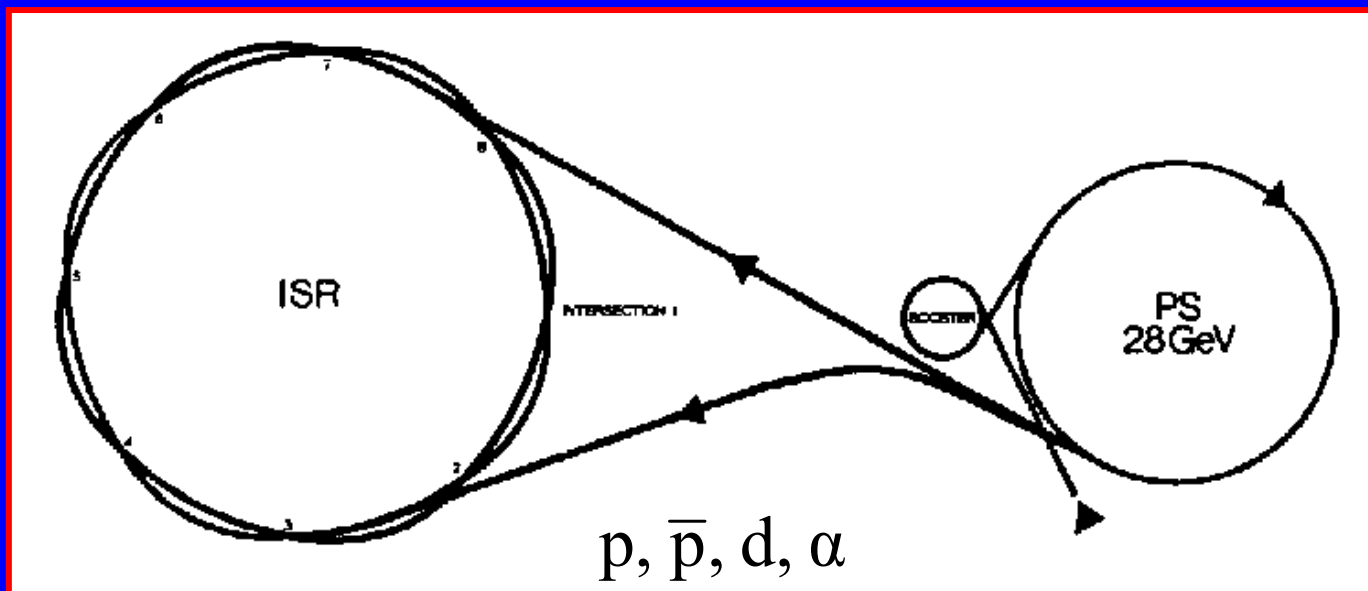
GM:1929-2019



F: 1918-1988

ISR

Intersecting Storage Rings at CERN
1971, first colliding proton beams - 1982



Eventually 60 amp proton beams!!



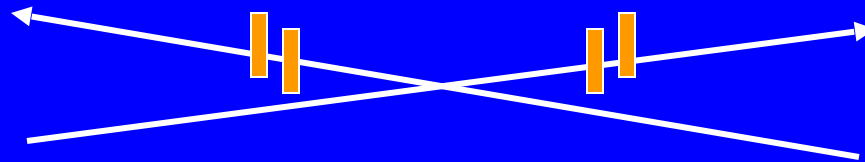
Centre of Mass Energy = 63 GeV

Centre of Mass Energy = 7.4 GeV

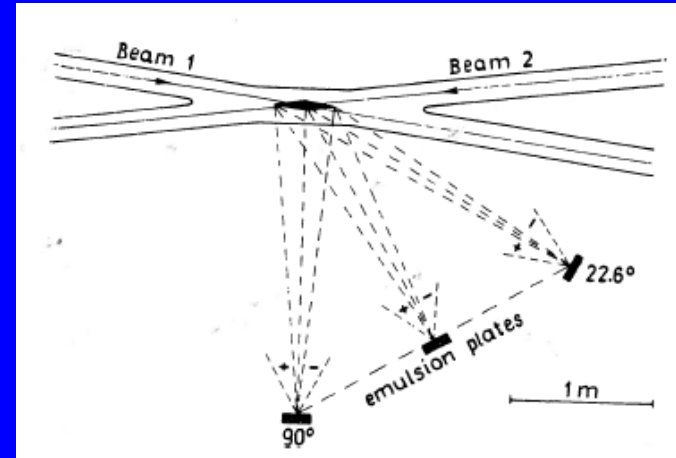
Equivalent to beam of 2110 GeV + fixed p target
“Into the realm of cosmic rays!”

Free quarks? W-boson? What surprises to come?

First collisions ... no detectors installed! ... put in 4 scintillation counters!
 Saw ‘scope traces due to collisions (timing!)

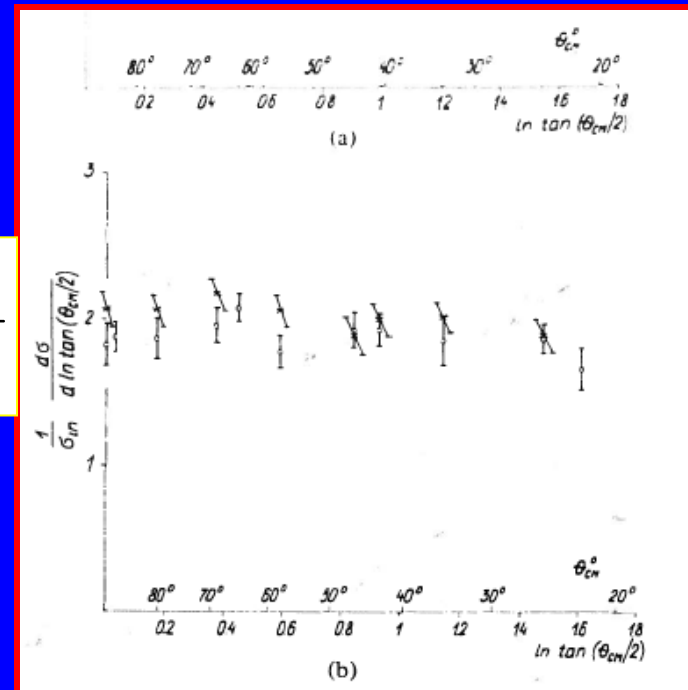


Experiment R101, First at ISR (1971) Emulsions on a toy train set! ISR



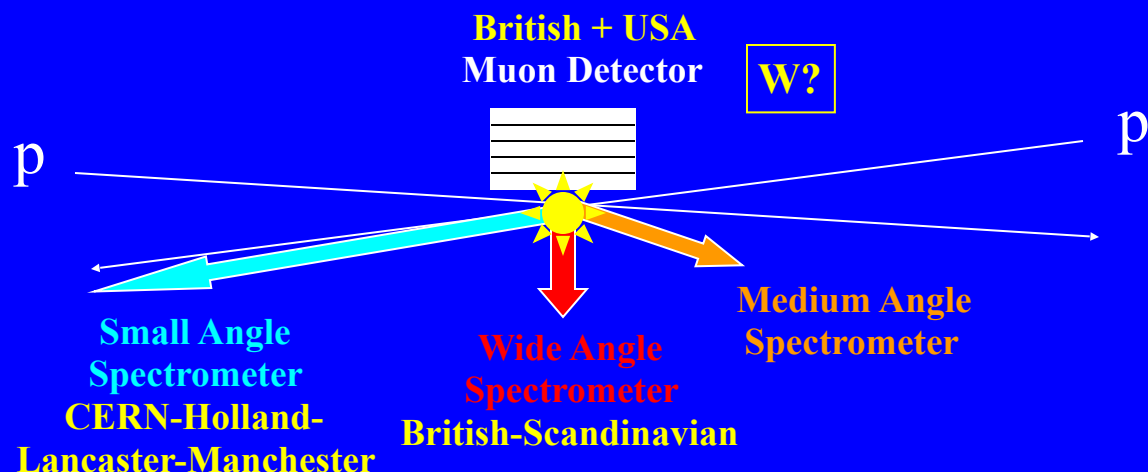
2009 - 38 years later
First paper on LHC physics:
Also angular distribution of charged particles

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_{inel}} \frac{d\sigma}{d\eta}$$



$$\eta = -\log \tan (\theta / 2)$$

Intersection I-2:



Single particle inclusive spectrometers:

Muon Detector: Looking for $W(\sim 3\text{-}4 \text{ GeV!})$... missed J/ψ (several did!)

Wide Angle Spectrometer: co-discovered high p_T (quark & gluon scattering)

Small Angle Spectrometer:
Feynman scaling of forward production tested &
discovered high mass diffraction - Masses $\sim 12 \text{ GeV} > N^* (2 \text{ GeV})$

Why is accelerator data important for VHECR?

If energy of a showering cosmic ray is totally contained in the atmosphere, it is a **homogeneous calorimeter**. But ν 's disappear!
E.g. in Auger: total fluorescence light $f(\Sigma\text{-path lengths charged particles})$

... $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^- \rightarrow$ many e 's in shower (Cherenkov)

Number muons (*from π, K, c, b -decay*) measured at some depth.

Lateral (and some longitudinal) profiles measured.

$E(\text{primary})$ and $A(=1, >1)(\text{primary})$ inferred

Many simulation models **KASCADE, HPDM, VENUS, SIBYLL, QGSJET** ...

What we think we expect about VHE interactions,
far extrapolation over accelerator data.

PS \rightarrow ISR \rightarrow SppS/Tevatron \rightarrow LHC
New physics came in at each step!

But most inelastic collisions have many outgoing particles!

What to do? 10 particles \rightarrow 40 variables, with just 4 E-p constraints.

No 36-dimensional graph paper! Hard to measure all!

The ISR dilemma!

A solution: Just measure 1
and ignore the rest.

$$p + p \rightarrow \pi^+ + \text{"anything"}(X)$$

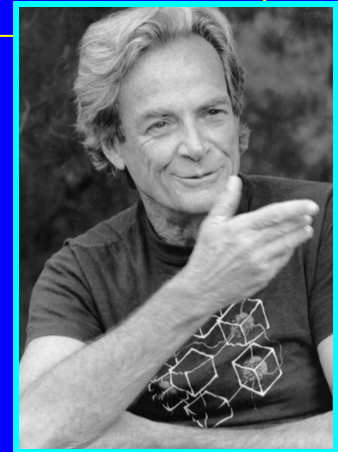
$$\sigma = \sigma_{inv}(s, p_T, x_F) \xrightarrow{s \rightarrow \infty} f(p_T, x_F)$$

Single particle inclusive:

$$\text{Feynman } x_F = \frac{p_z}{p_{beam}}$$

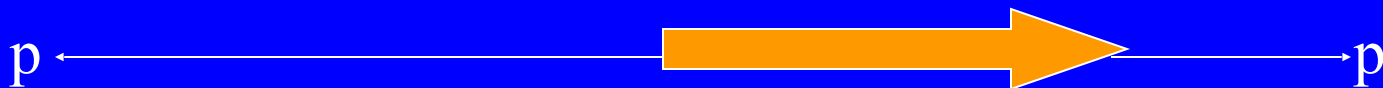
$$\text{Longitudinal Rapidity } y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right)$$

*Feynman scaling hypothesis
(pre-parton model)*



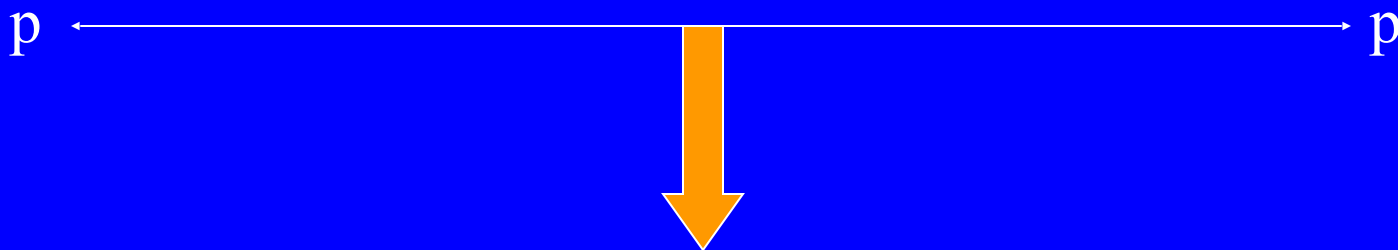
Primary focus shifted – ISR a ‘transitional machine’:

< 1971



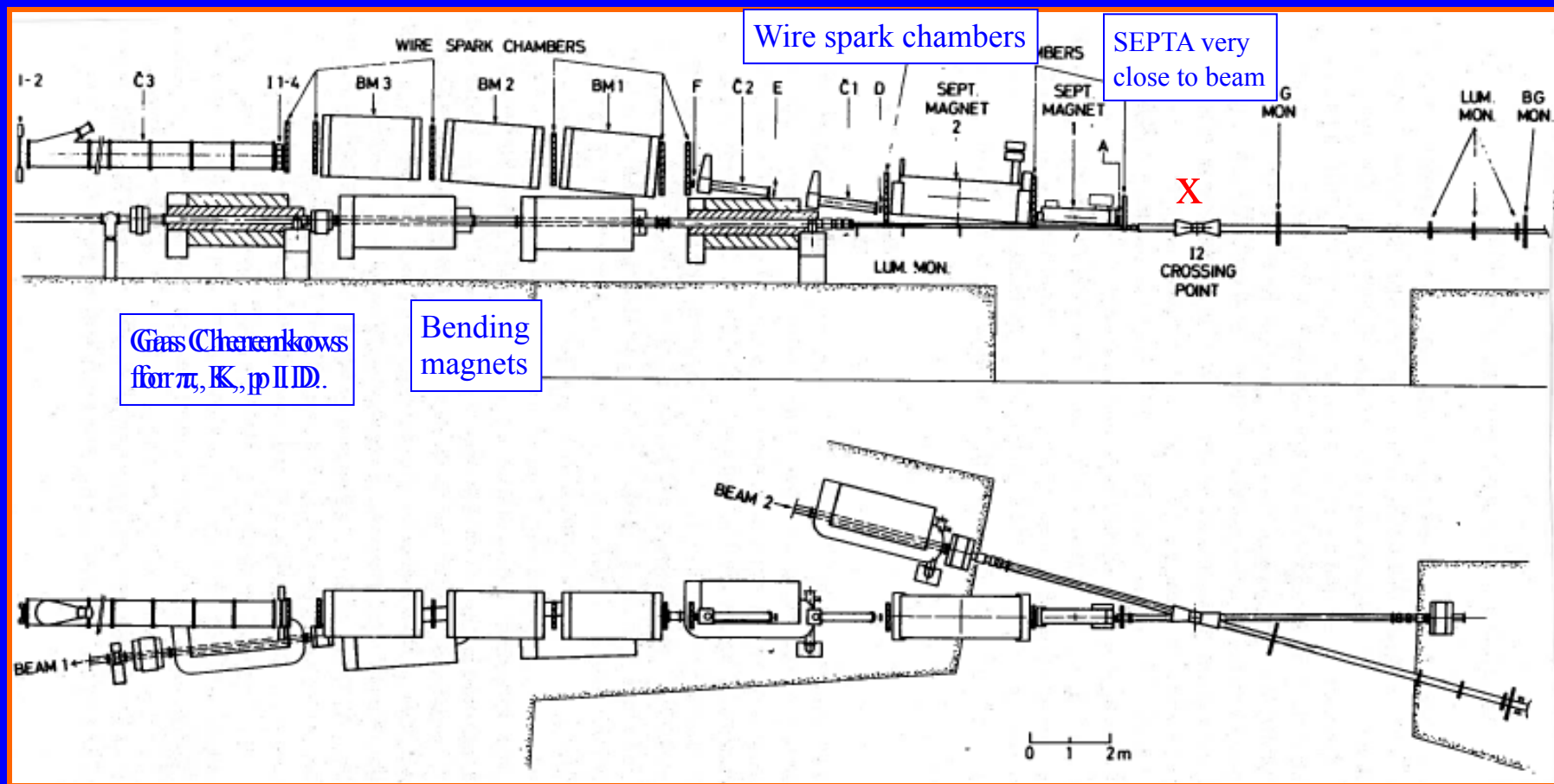
Low transverse momenta
large distance (~ 1 fermi : fm = 10^{-13} cm)
Strong interaction difficult to calculate - models

> 1976



High transverse momenta
small distances (\ll fm)
QCD calculations work (‘perturbative’)

$\pi^+, \pi^-, K^+, K^-, p, \bar{p}$ spectra, low p_T , $x_F = 0.1 - 1.0$, $\sqrt{s} = 23 - 63$ GeV



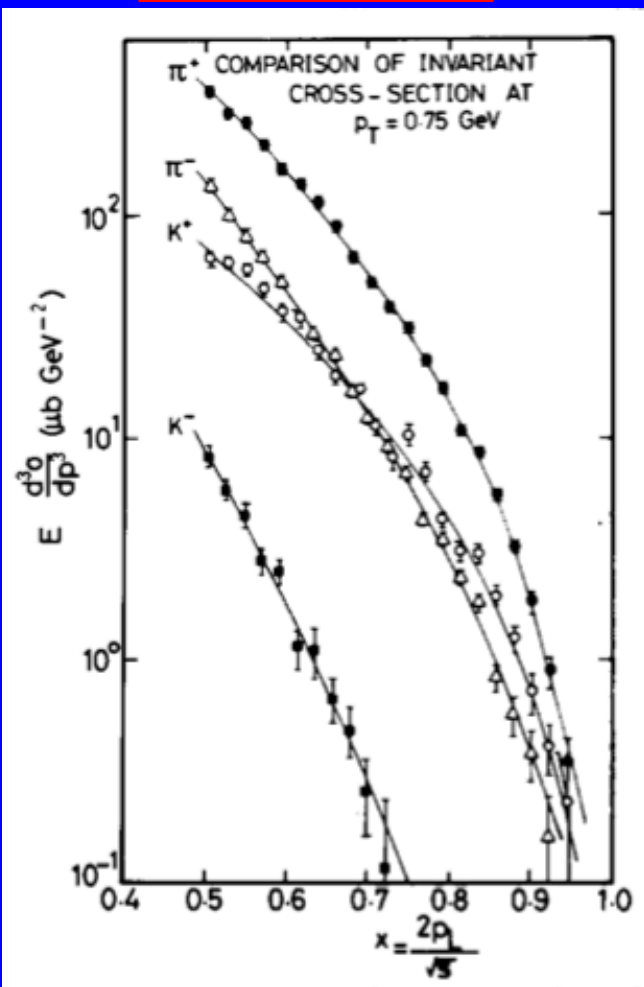
All elements moveable to cover range of angles

ISR: CHLM

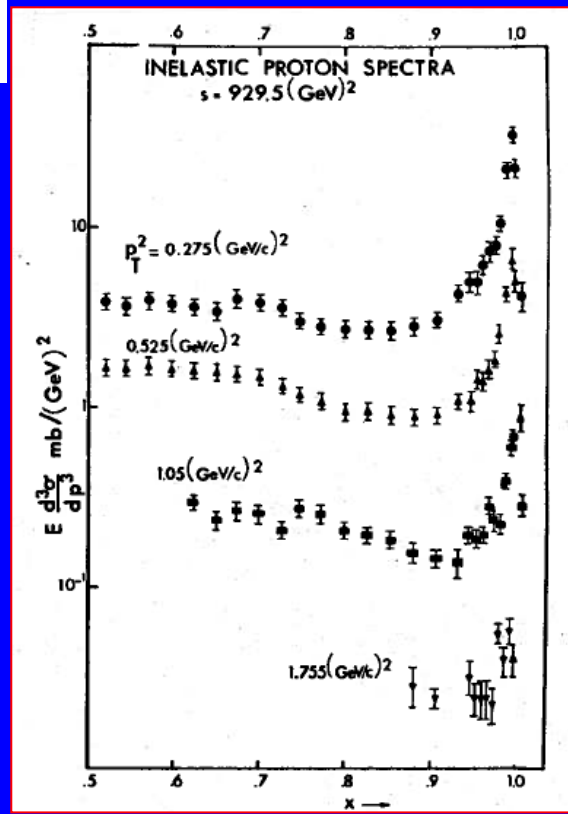
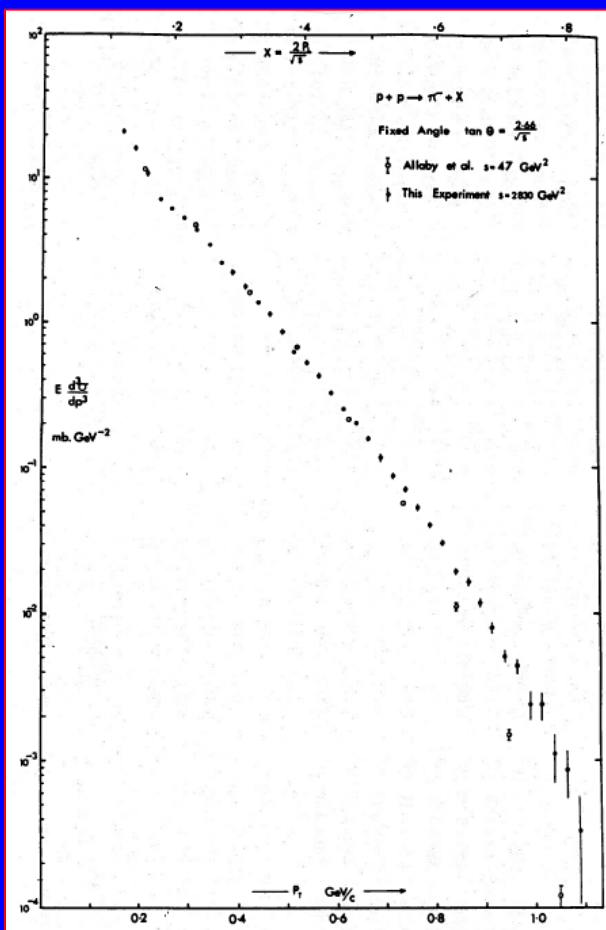
Feynman-x distributions
 Fixed small $p_T = 0.75 \text{ GeV}/c$ scale

Leading proton, scaling peak $x_F > 0.9$,
Discovery of high mass diffraction
 High-x peak ‘scales’ \rightarrow high masses

π^+ scale K^+ rise



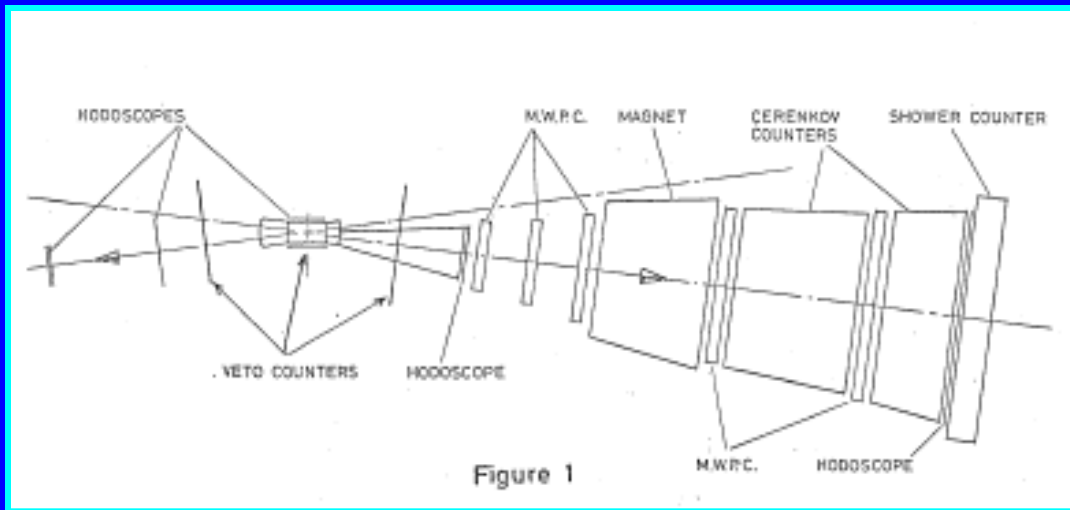
Fixed small angle
 $x_F = 0.1$ $x_F = 0.8$



Feynman $x_F = p_z/p_{\text{BEAM}}$

$\frac{M^2}{s} < \sim 0.05 \Rightarrow M < \sim 0.22\sqrt{s}$
 $M \sim 1.5 \text{ GeV @ PS} \Rightarrow M \sim 14 \text{ GeV @ ISR}$

Do the CR models fit this data well?

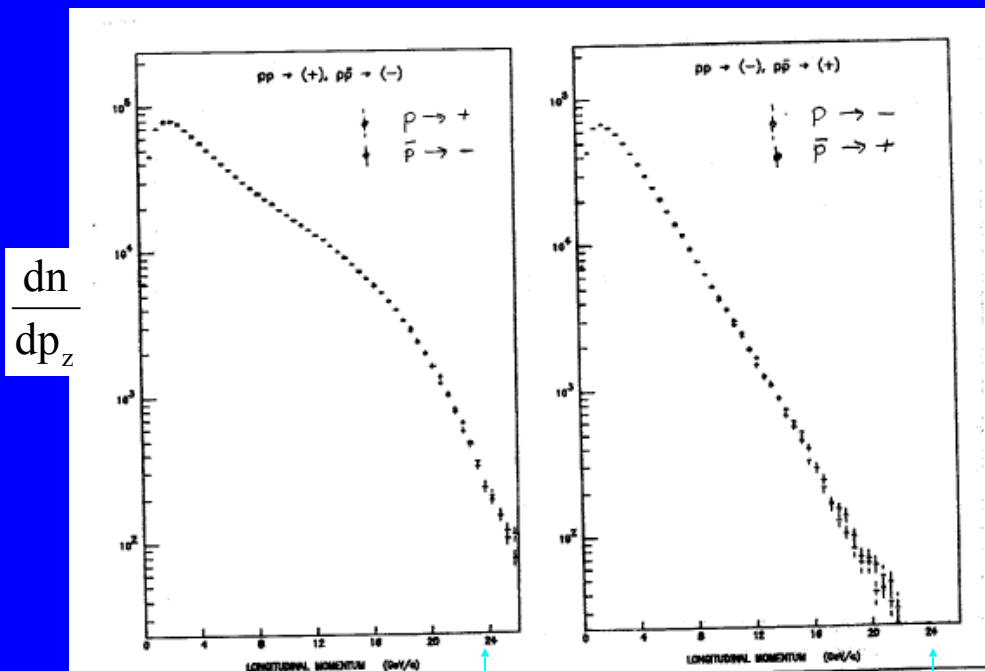


pp and $p\bar{p}$ collisions; $\sqrt{s} = 53 \text{ GeV}$

$p \rightarrow h^+ \quad p \rightarrow h^-$
 $\bar{p} \rightarrow h^- \quad \bar{p} \rightarrow h^+$

Particle momenta and identities (Cherenkov)

Similarly p_T distributions to $2 \text{ GeV}/c$



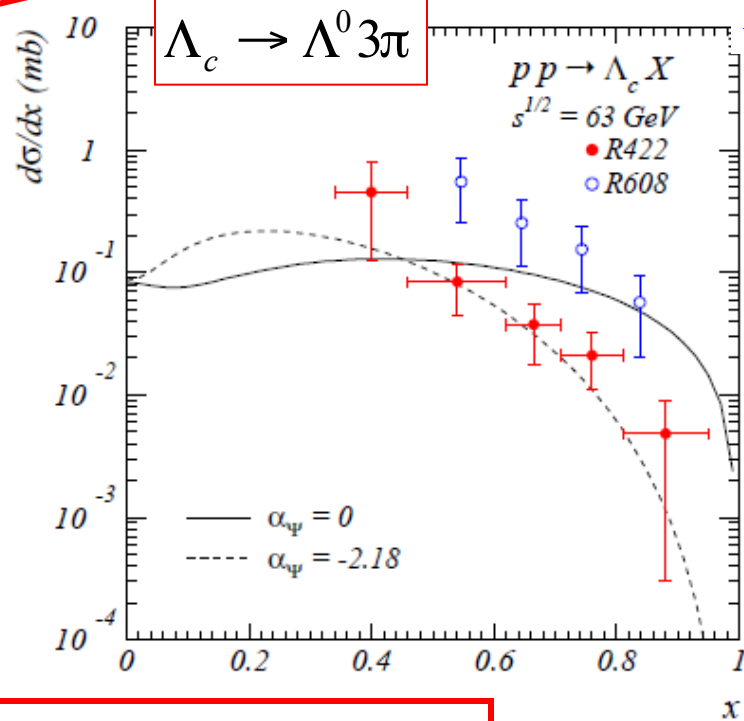
Baryon fragmentation does not care about identity of opposite side baryon.
L-R Factorization & C-conjugation.

$p_z = 24 \text{ GeV}/c$

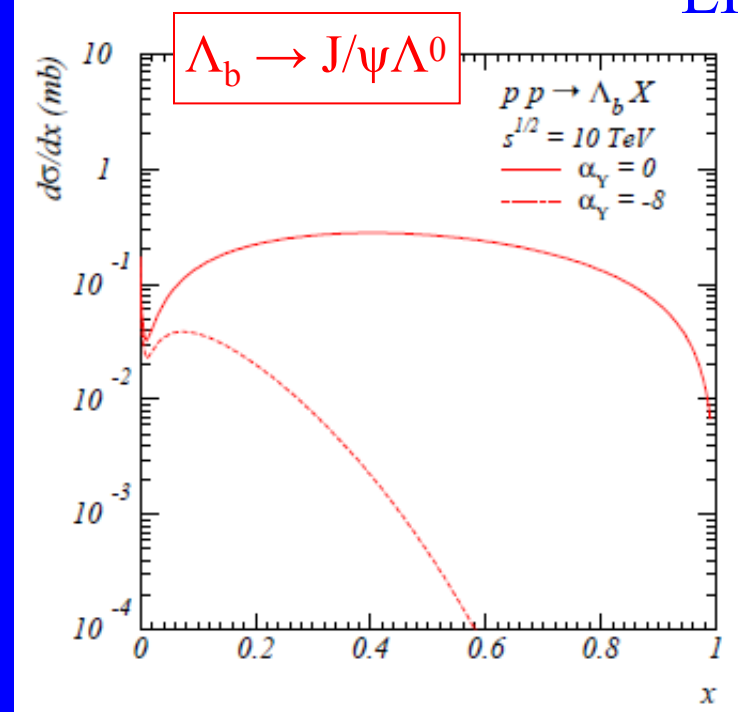
Accelerator $p_z = 24 \text{ GeV}/c$

CHARM!

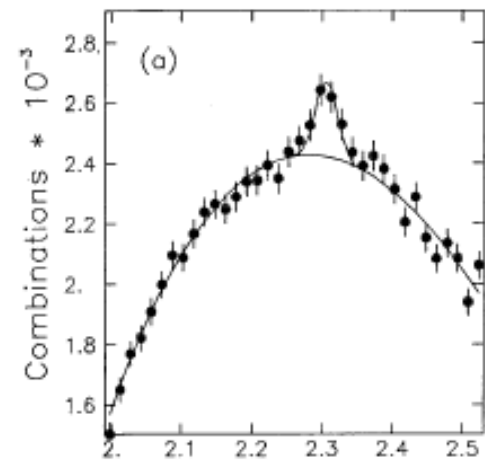
ISR



LHC



Predictions!



$$\Lambda_c^+(2286) \rightarrow \Lambda^0 \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- (2.6\%)$$

R608 (ISR) P.Chauvat et al
 PL B199 (1987) 304

Leading charm, beauty?
 → muons! neutrinos!

SPS & FNAL

Fixed Target Experiments

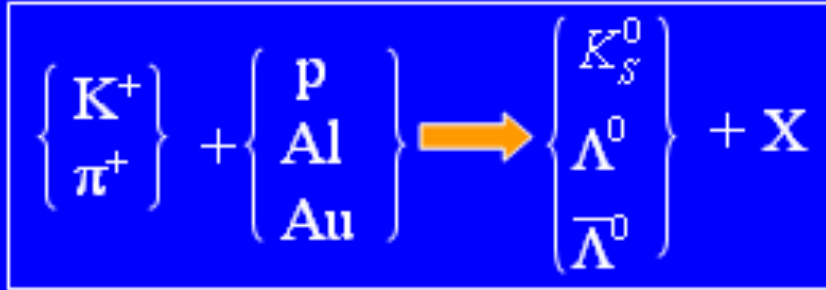
SPS = Super Proton Synchrotron – to 900 GeV protons at CERN
FNAL = Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory IL, USA

NA22 European Hybrid Spectrometer Bubble chamber + tracker FT

250 GeV/c $K^+ \pi^+$ beams on H, Al & Au nuclei (foils in BC)

$-1 < x_F < 0.1$, cf FRITIOF (quark/parton model)

Z.Phys.C55:373-382,1992

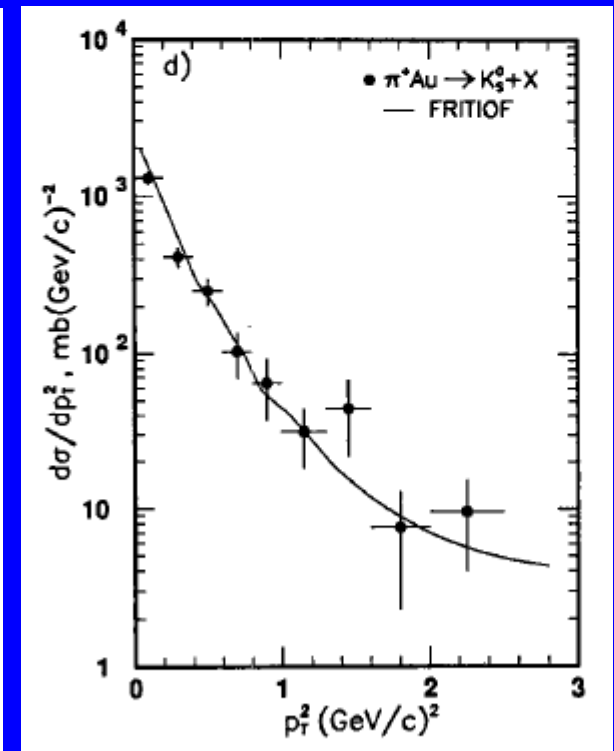
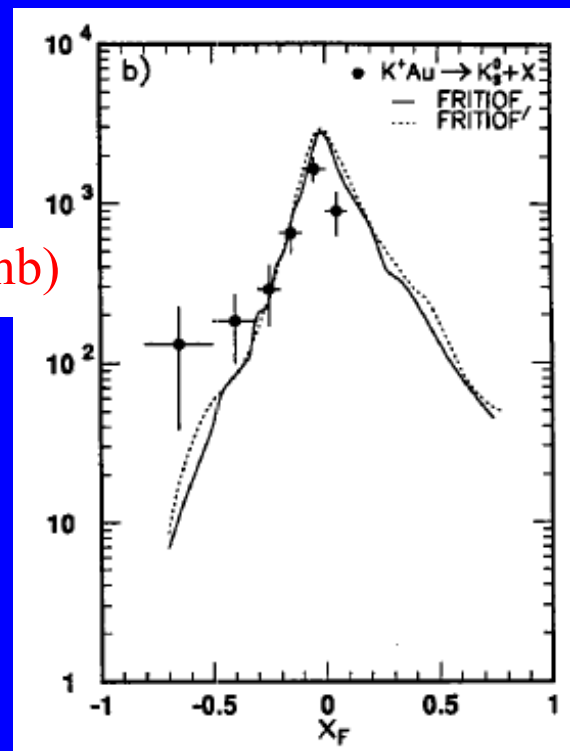
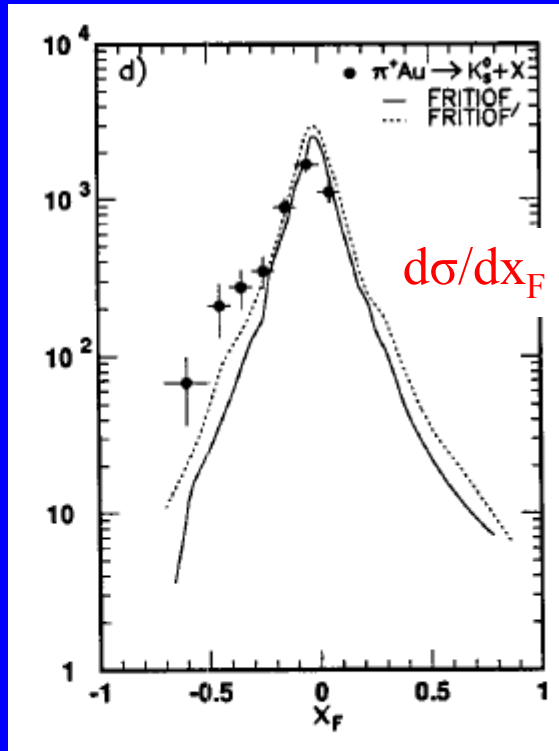


$$\sigma \sim A^{0.9}$$

Λ in target+central region

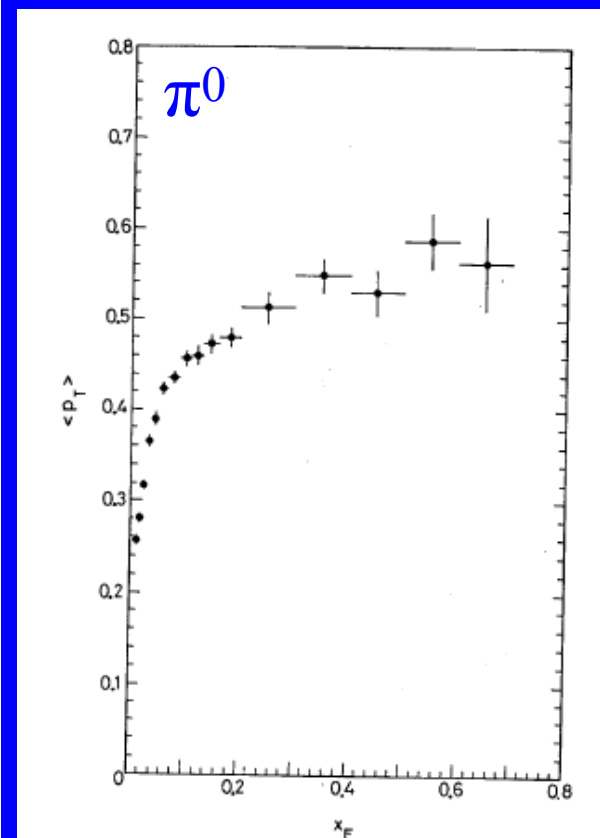
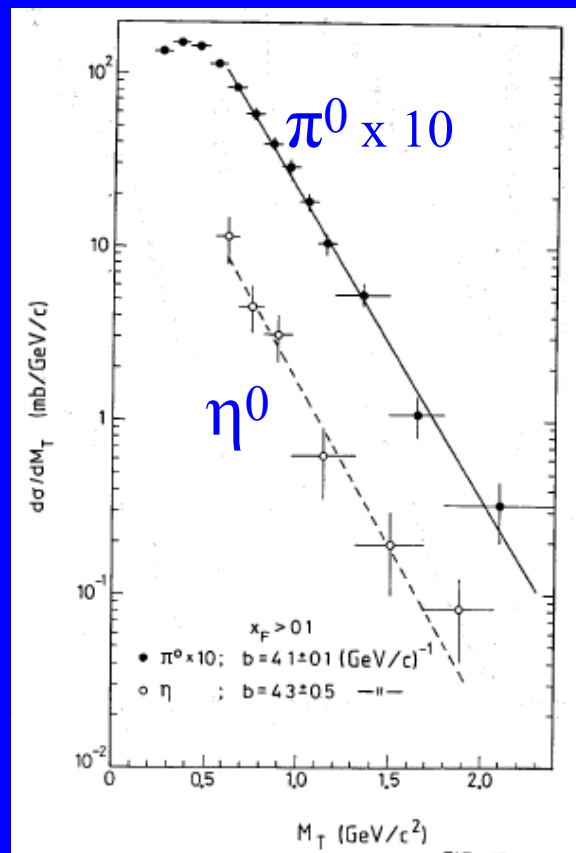
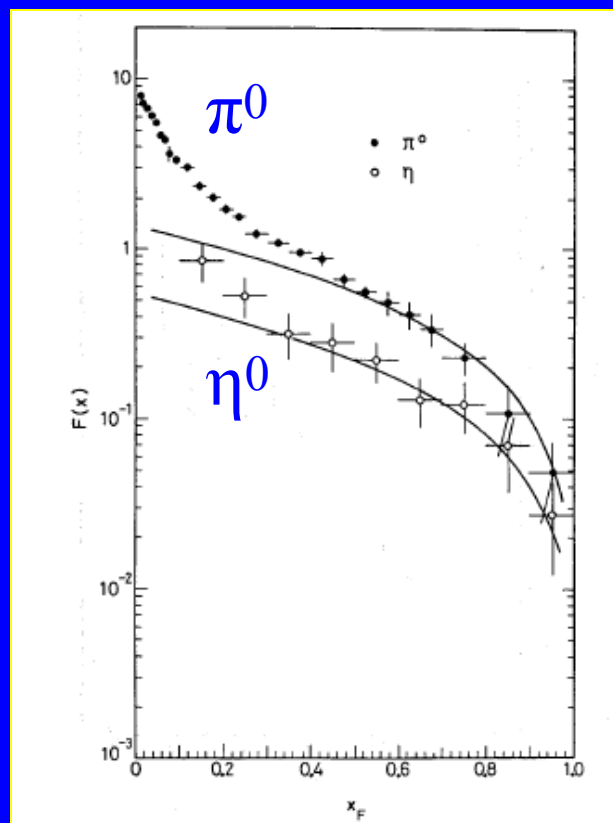
Strangeness prodn. preferentially
in central collisions

FRITIOF "reasonable" agreement?



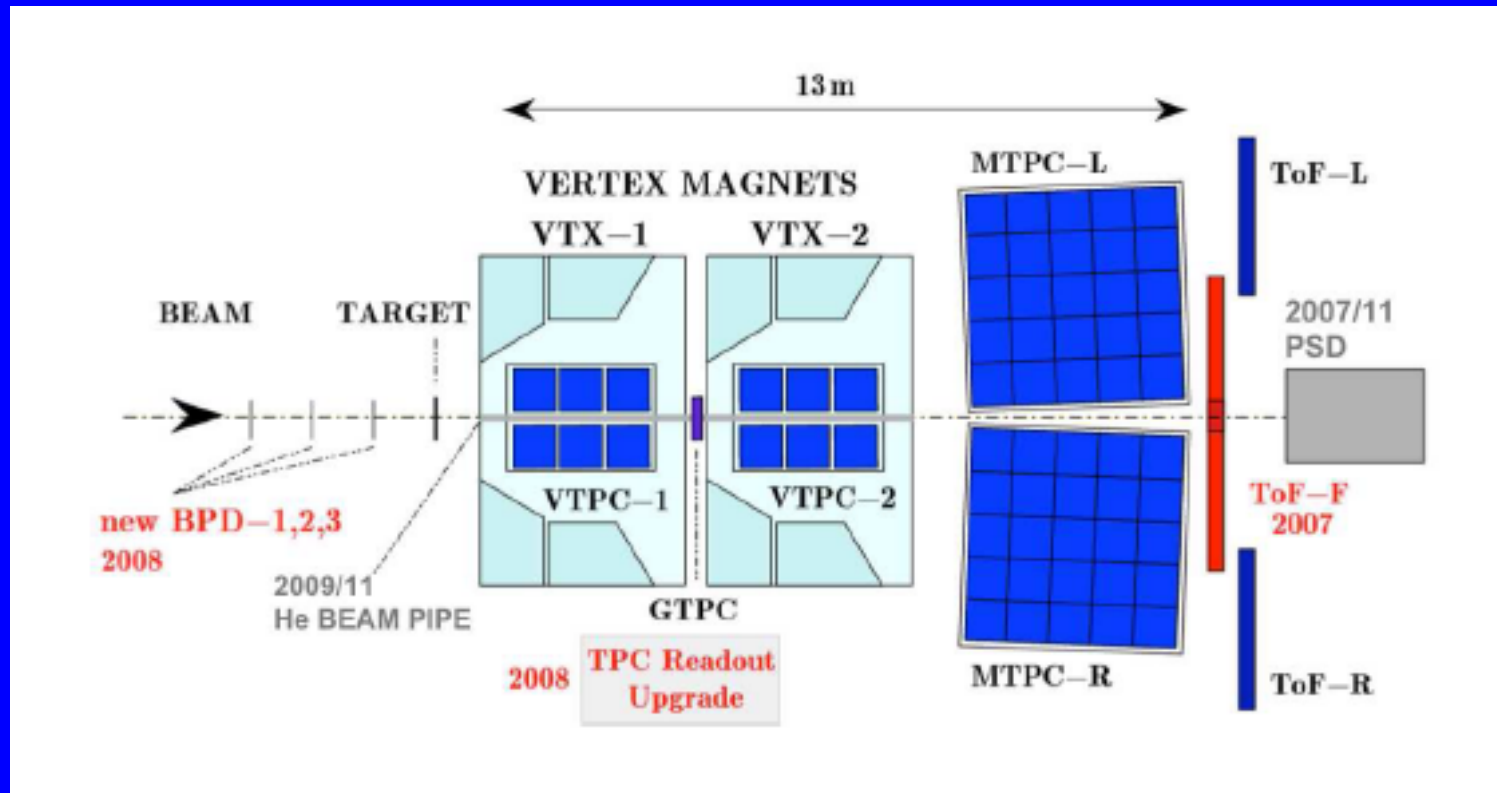
$\pi^- + p \rightarrow \pi^0, \eta^0 + X$ at 360 GeV/c Studied also vs. n(charged) etc.
 $\pi^0 / \eta^0 = 2.9 \pm 0.5$

π^0 and η^0 same slope in transverse mass: $M_T = \sqrt{m^2 + p_T^2}$

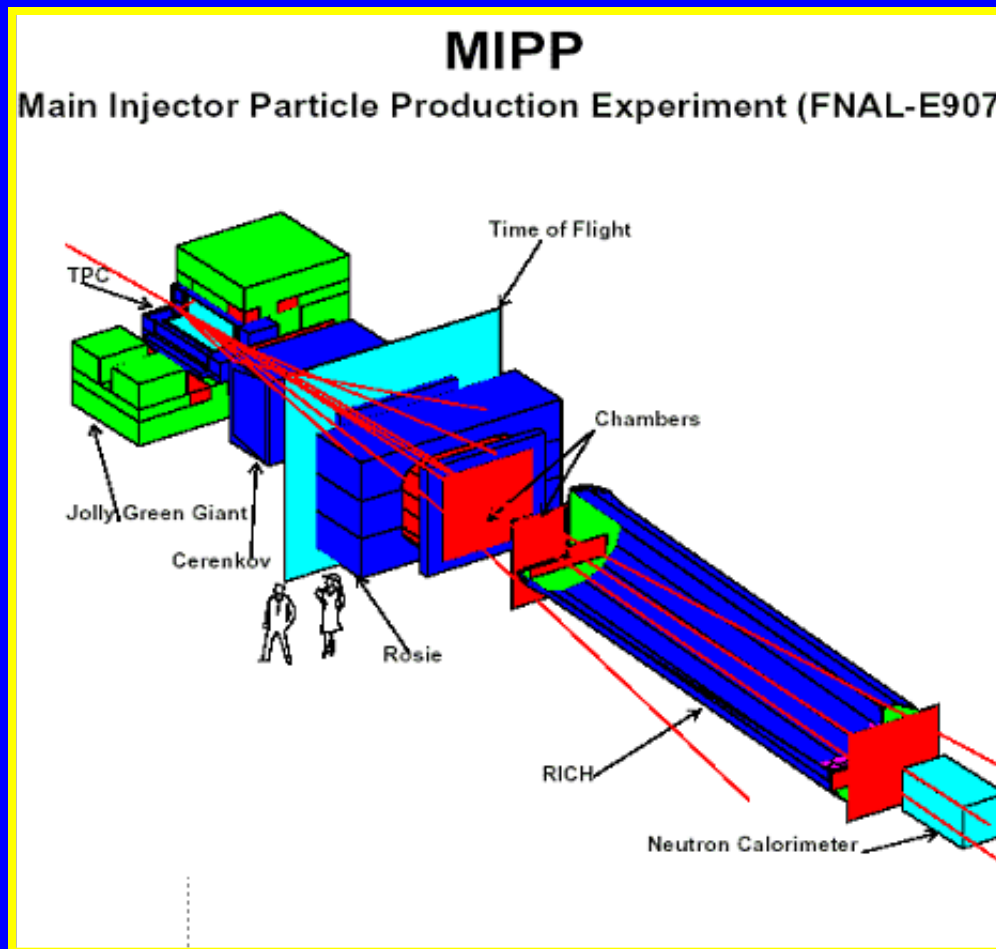


$30 \text{ GeV}/c \text{ p} + \text{C} \rightarrow \pi, \text{K}, \text{p}$

Hadron production measurements for cosmic ray
and neutrino experiments e.g. T2K



Primary 120 GeV/c Proton beam and Secondary beams of π^\pm K^\pm p^\pm 5, 20, 35, 60, 85 GeV/c to measure particle production cross sections of various nuclei span H, Be, C, Al, Bi, U thin targets and exact NuMI target.



TPC-dE/dx,
ToF,
differential Cherenkov
and RICH technologies.

SppS Collider Proton-antiproton

Van der Meer invented stochastic cooling of antiprotons
Made possible proton-antiproton collisions in SPS → 540 GeV
(900 GeV for very brief periods)

→ Discovery of W and Z bosons, carriers of weak force

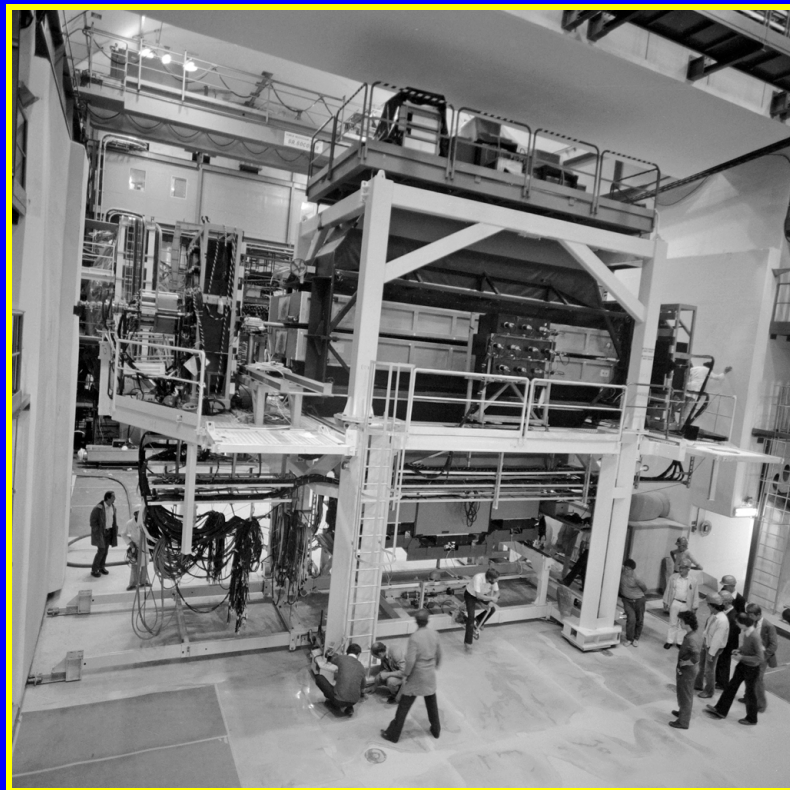
UA5: A general study of proton-antiproton physics at $\sqrt{s}=546$ GeV

Physics Reports 154 (1987) p.247

$\sqrt{s} = 200 - 900$ GeV



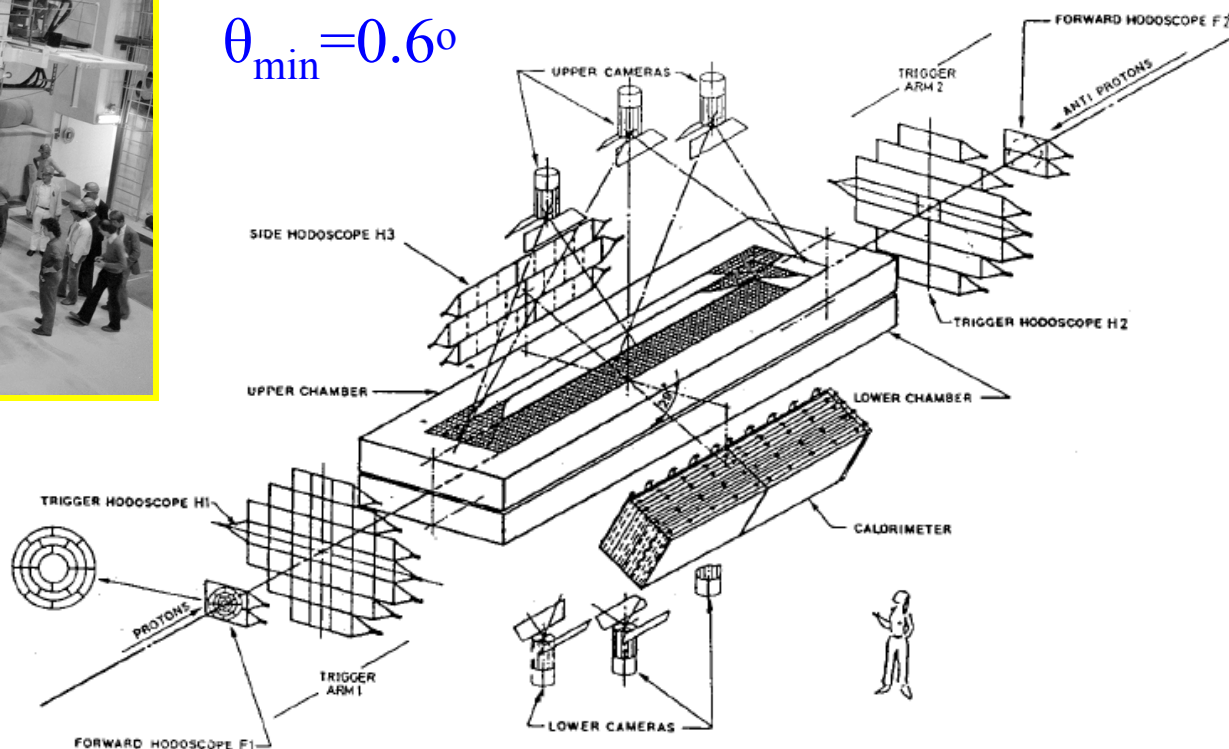
Ramping up & down



6m long streamer chamber
triggered with hodoscopes
& Pb-glass for γ -showers

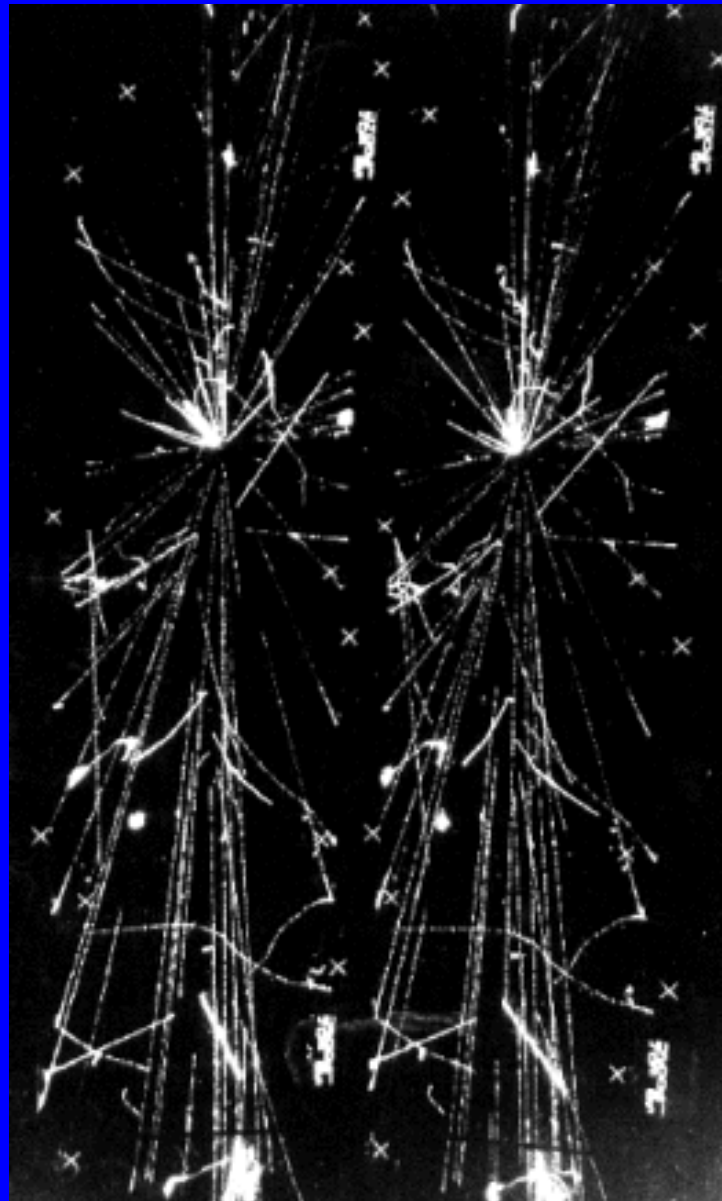
— SCHEMATIC LAYOUT OF THE STREAMER CHAMBER SYSTEM —

$\theta_{\min} = 0.6^\circ$



Stereo pair:

500 kiloVolts for
10 nanoseconds

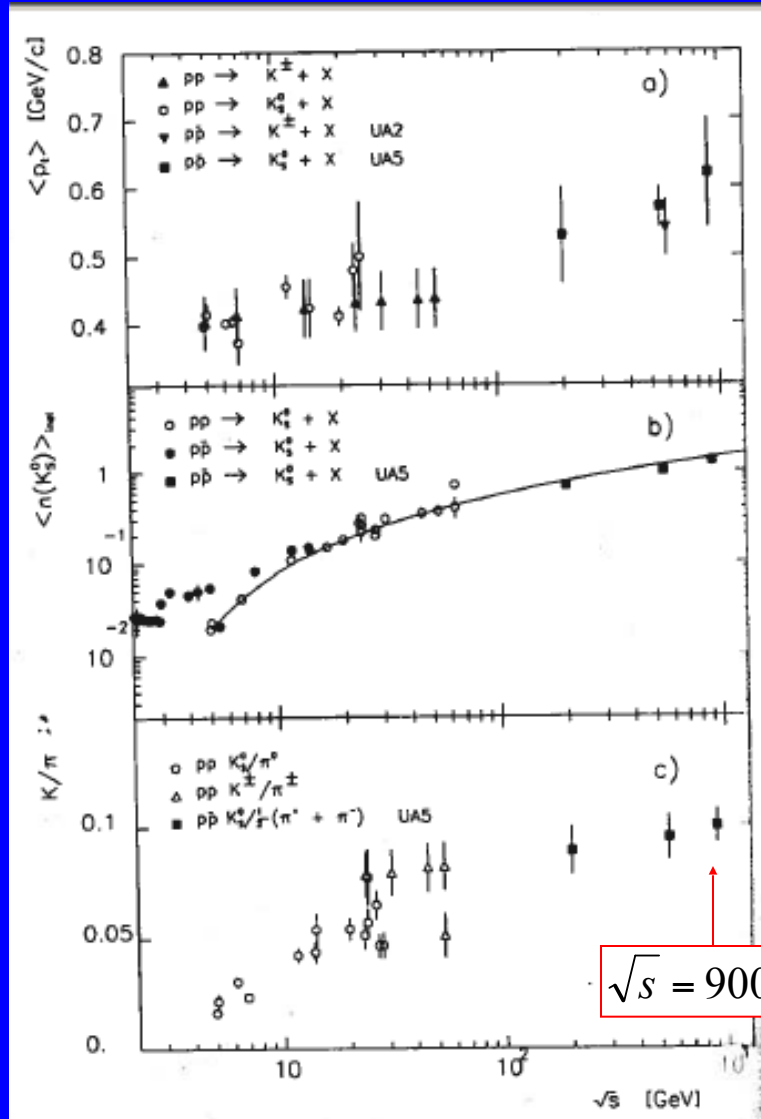


proton

antiproton

UA5: General properties of 6000 collisions photographed

First look at the « collider » regime – before UA1 & W,Z



$$\langle p_T \rangle, \langle n_K \rangle, \frac{K}{\pi}$$

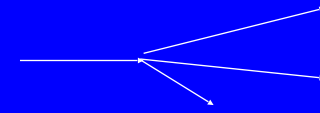
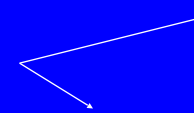
all rising with
 $\sqrt{s} \rightarrow 900 \text{ GeV}$

Data at $\sqrt{s} = 200, 546, 900 \text{ GeV}$
 Compared with DPM, FRITIOF, PYTHIA

$$K^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$$

$$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$$

$\sqrt{s} = 900 \text{ GeV}$



UA5: Photon measurements.

Not direct, mostly $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ but more. If from $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $\eta/\pi^0 \sim 20\%$
(FNAL FT & ISR (forward) found even higher, $\eta/\pi^0 \sim 45\%$)

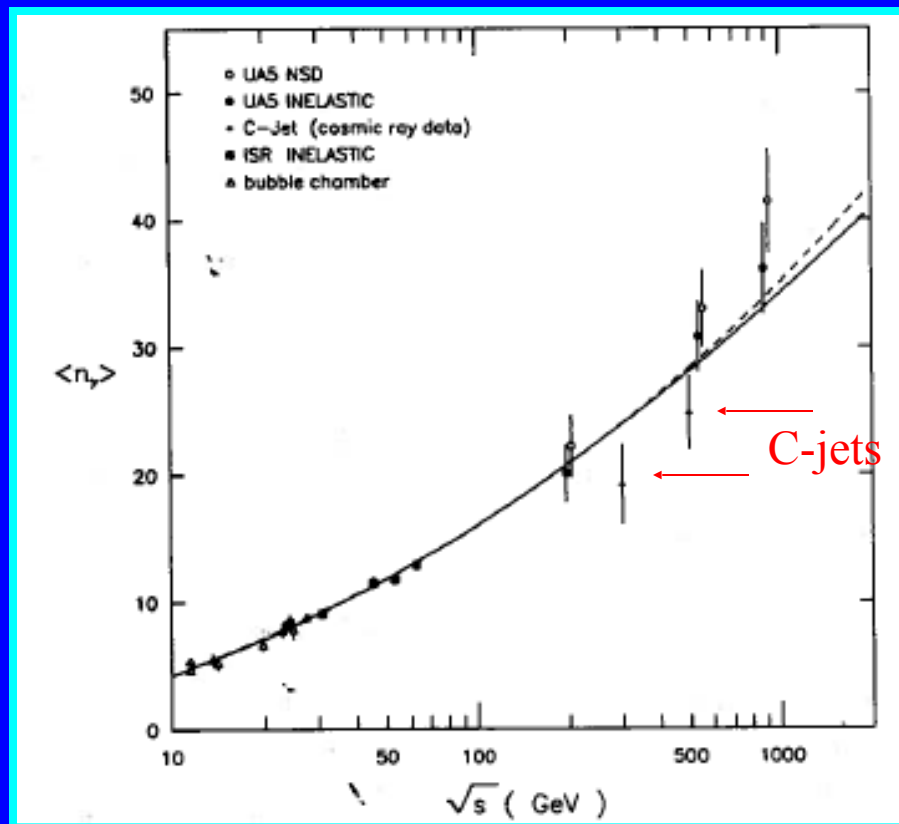
Photon conversions in vacuum pipe and Pb-glass plate in streamer chamber

C-jet cosmic ray data:

N.Arata et al., Nucl.Phys.B211 (1983) 189

Find $n(\gamma)$ tracks $n(\pi^{+-})$,
& no sign of “Centauros”

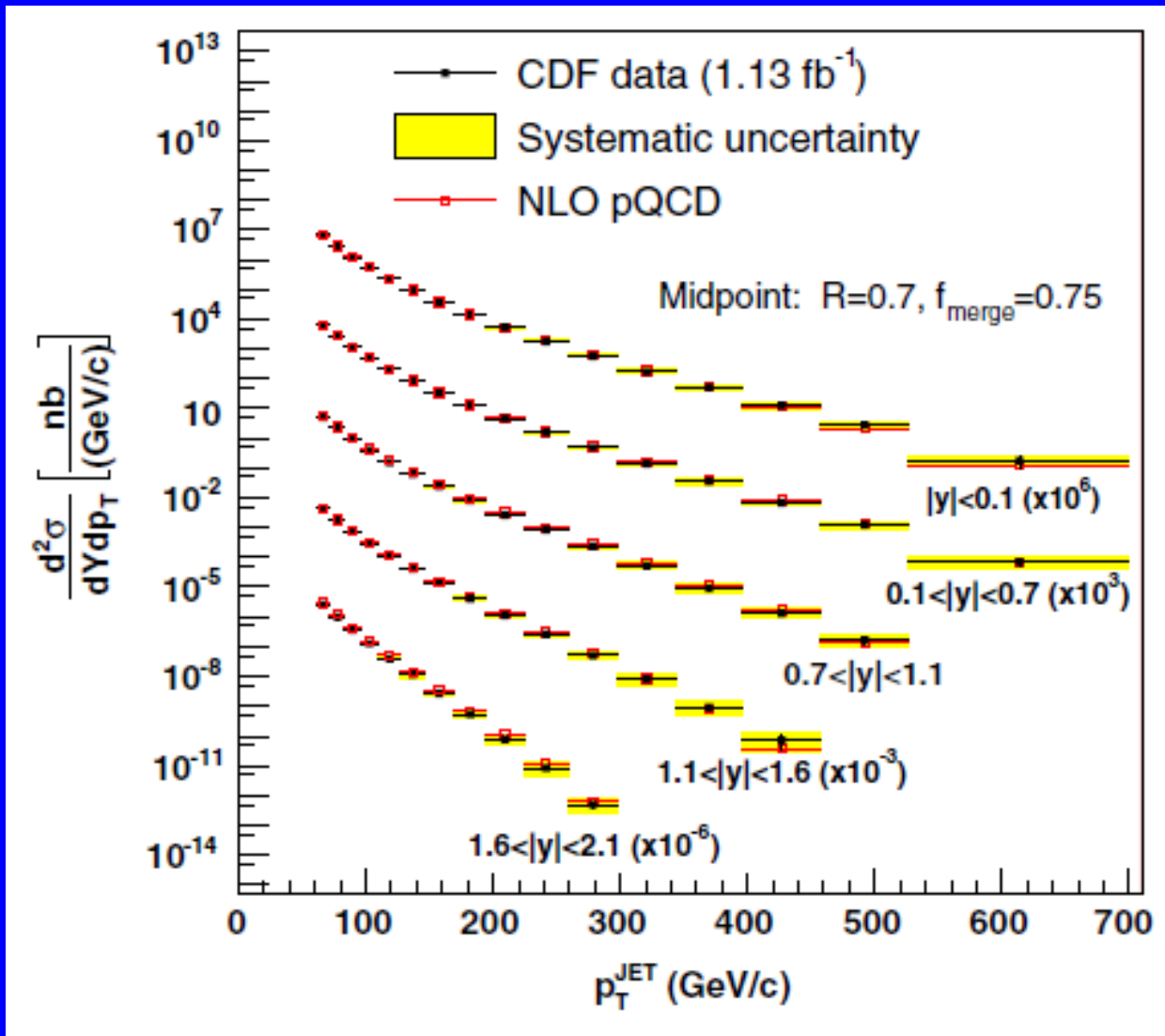
- Claims of extreme neutral
or charged particle content



Tevatron proton-antiproton Collider at Fermilab. $\sqrt{s} = 1800, 1960 \text{ GeV}$ (+300, 630)

Discovered **top quark** – heaviest known fundamental particle

Perturbative QCD + phenomenology (eg PYTHIA tuned) amazingly good



$\sigma(t\bar{t})$ agrees with QCD prediction at 15% level, etc etc

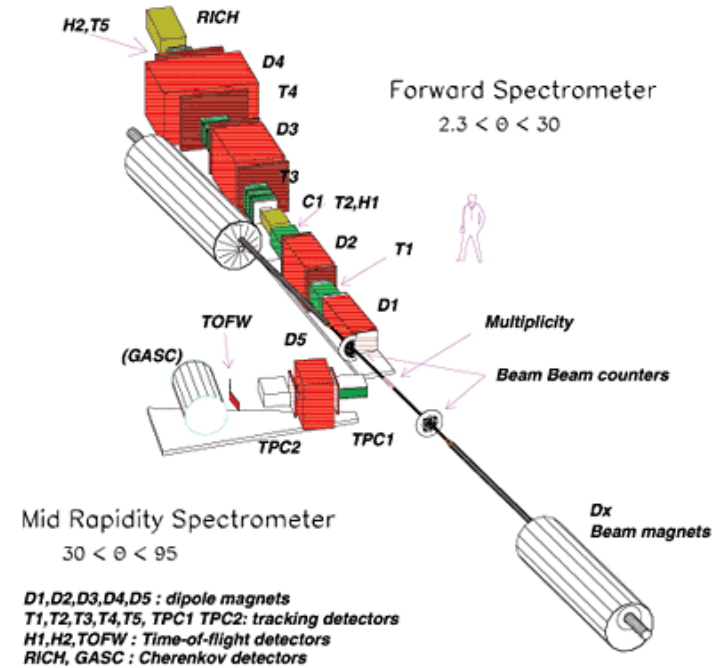
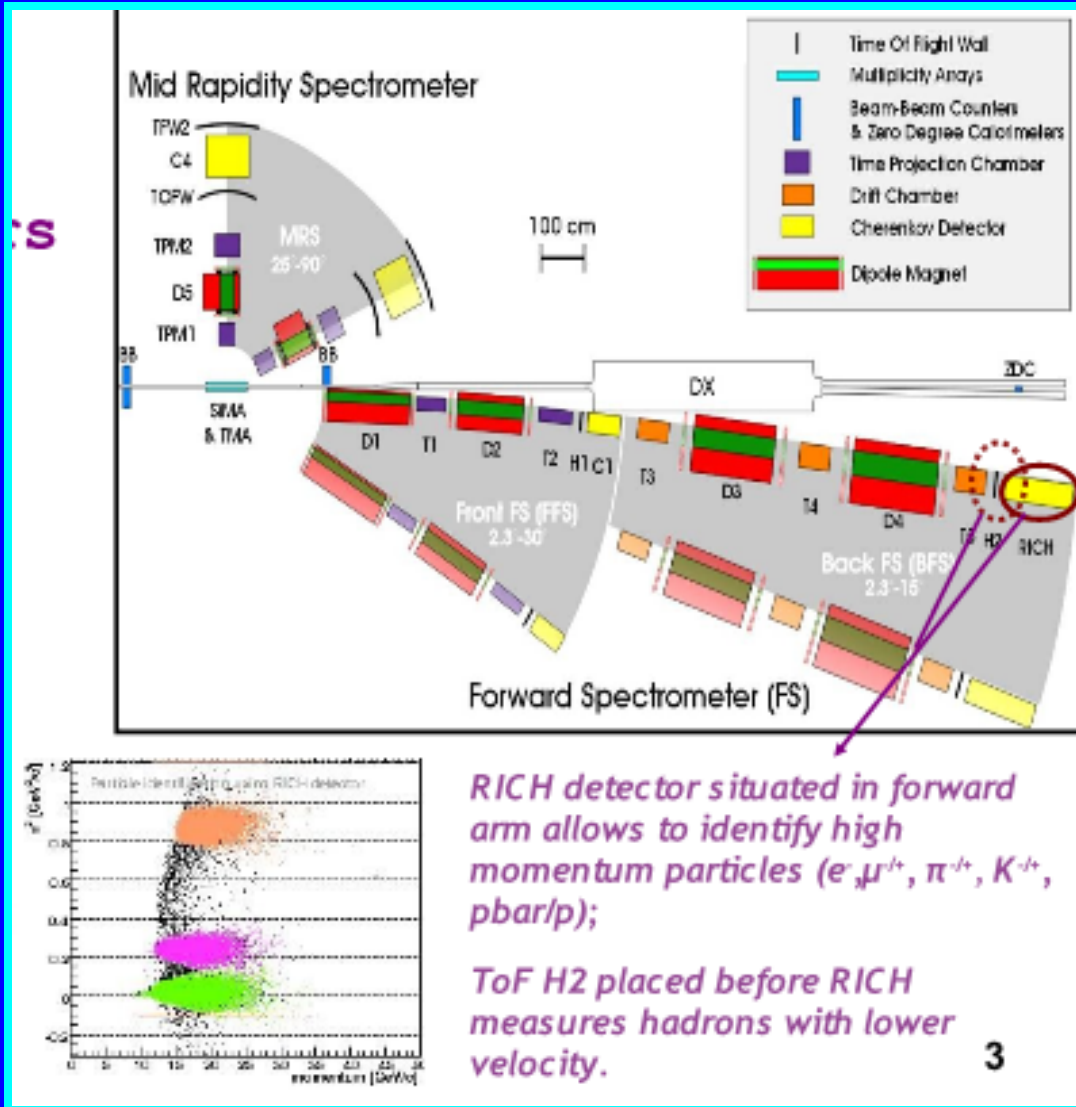
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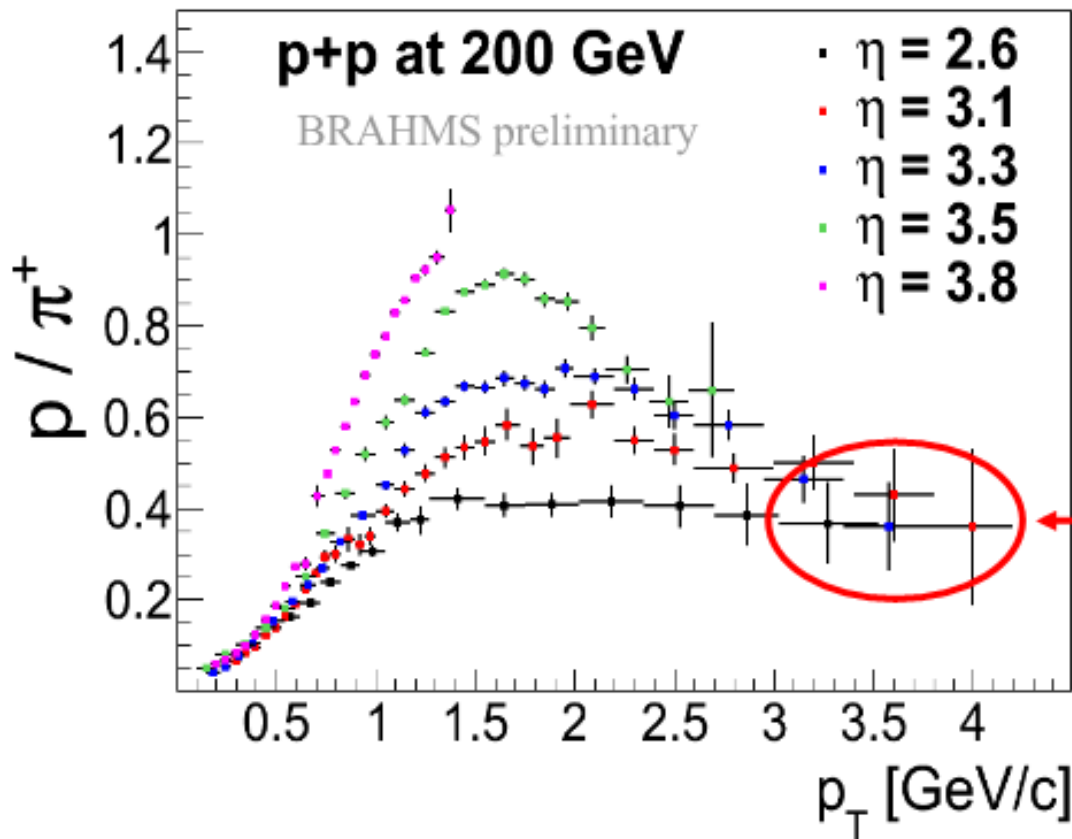
RHIC

Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider

Brookhaven on Long Island

$p + p$ at $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$ & $A + A$ collisions



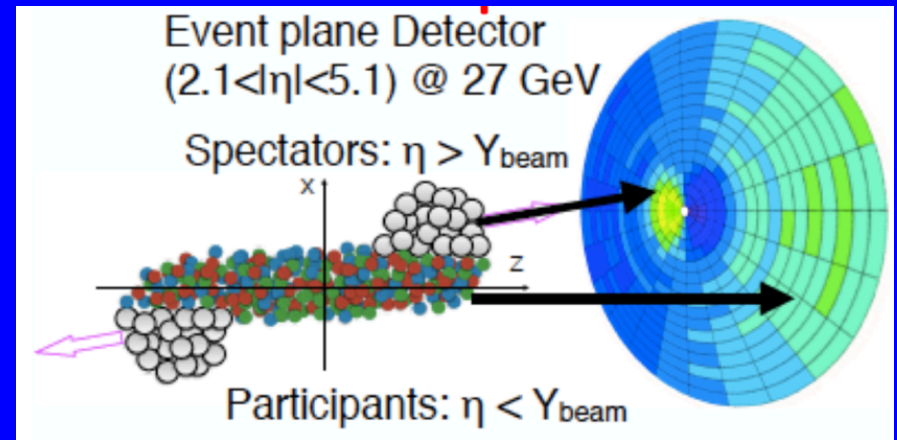
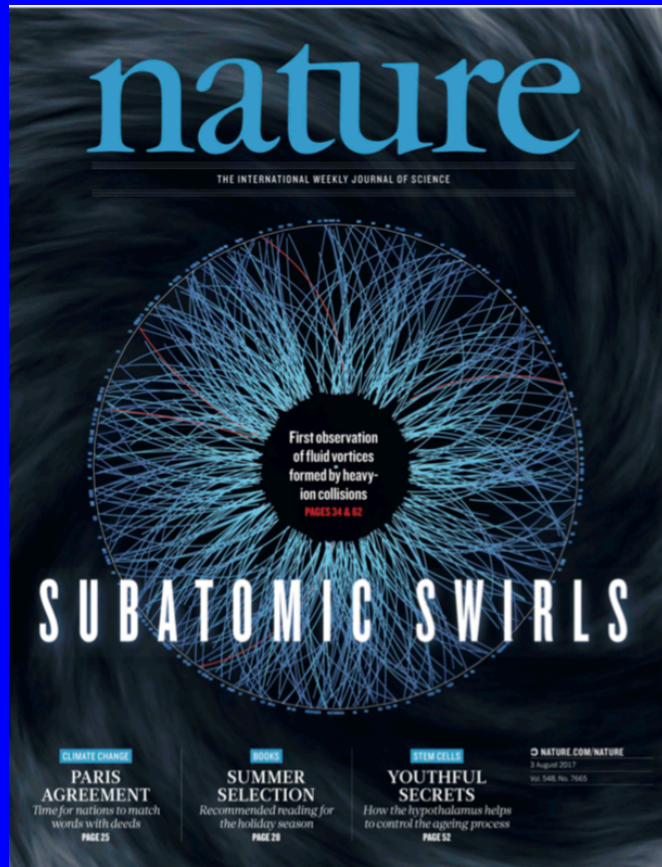


Strong rapidity dependence
at intermediate p_T

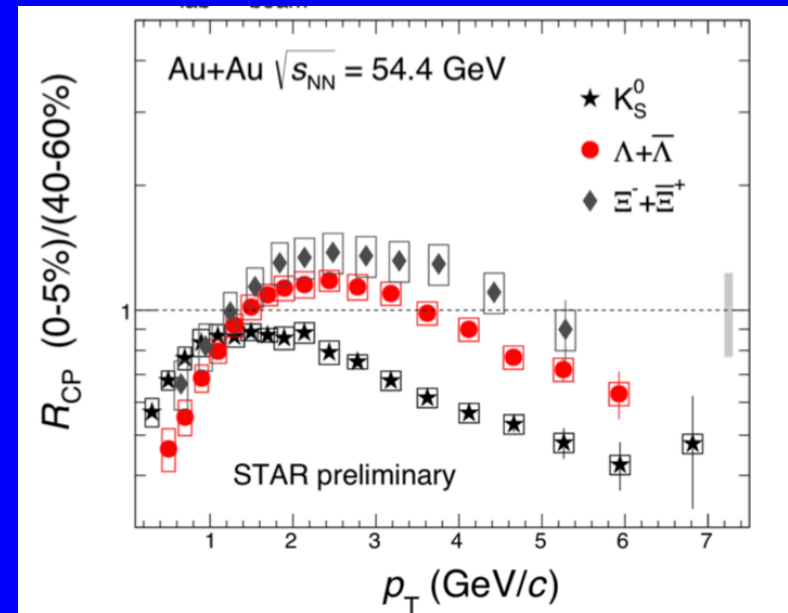
At high p_T ratios seem to
converge to common value
of $\sim 0.4 \rightarrow$ consistent with
pQCD predictions

P.Staszczel

STAR Experiment at RHIC (Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider at BNL)



Ratio of Central:Peripheral R_{CP}



LHC

Large Hadron Collider

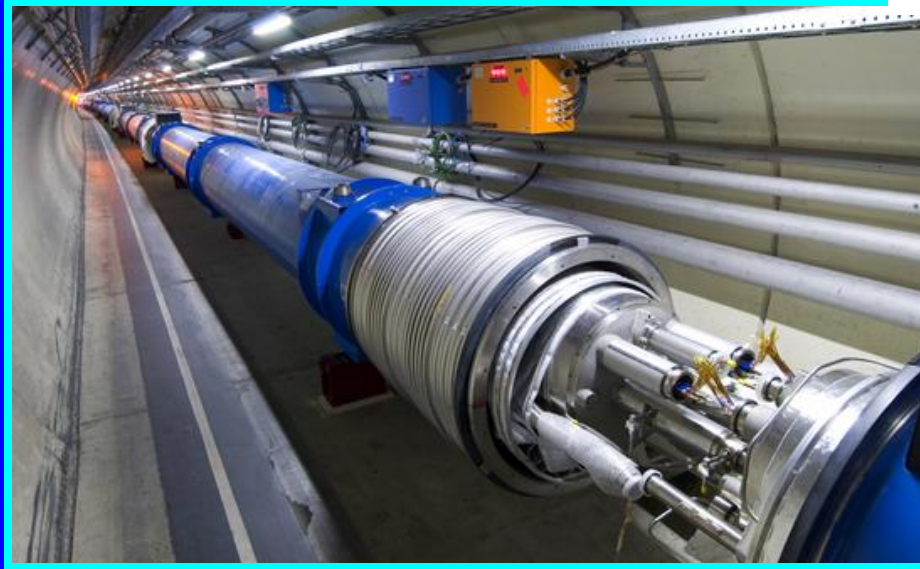
At CERN, Geneva

Next run p-O and O-O (= N-N) collisions at LHC
Planned for next Run 3 – want also in Run 4 2025 +

7 TeV = 7000 GeV \longrightarrow \longleftarrow 7 TeV = 7000 GeV
Now 6.5 + 6.5 TeV

$\equiv 10^8 \text{ GeV} = 10^{17} \text{ eV}$

cf. cosmic cut off $\approx 10^{20} \text{ eV}$



ALICE

ATLAS

CMS

LHCb

LHCf

TOTEM

Beautiful detectors, but central region.

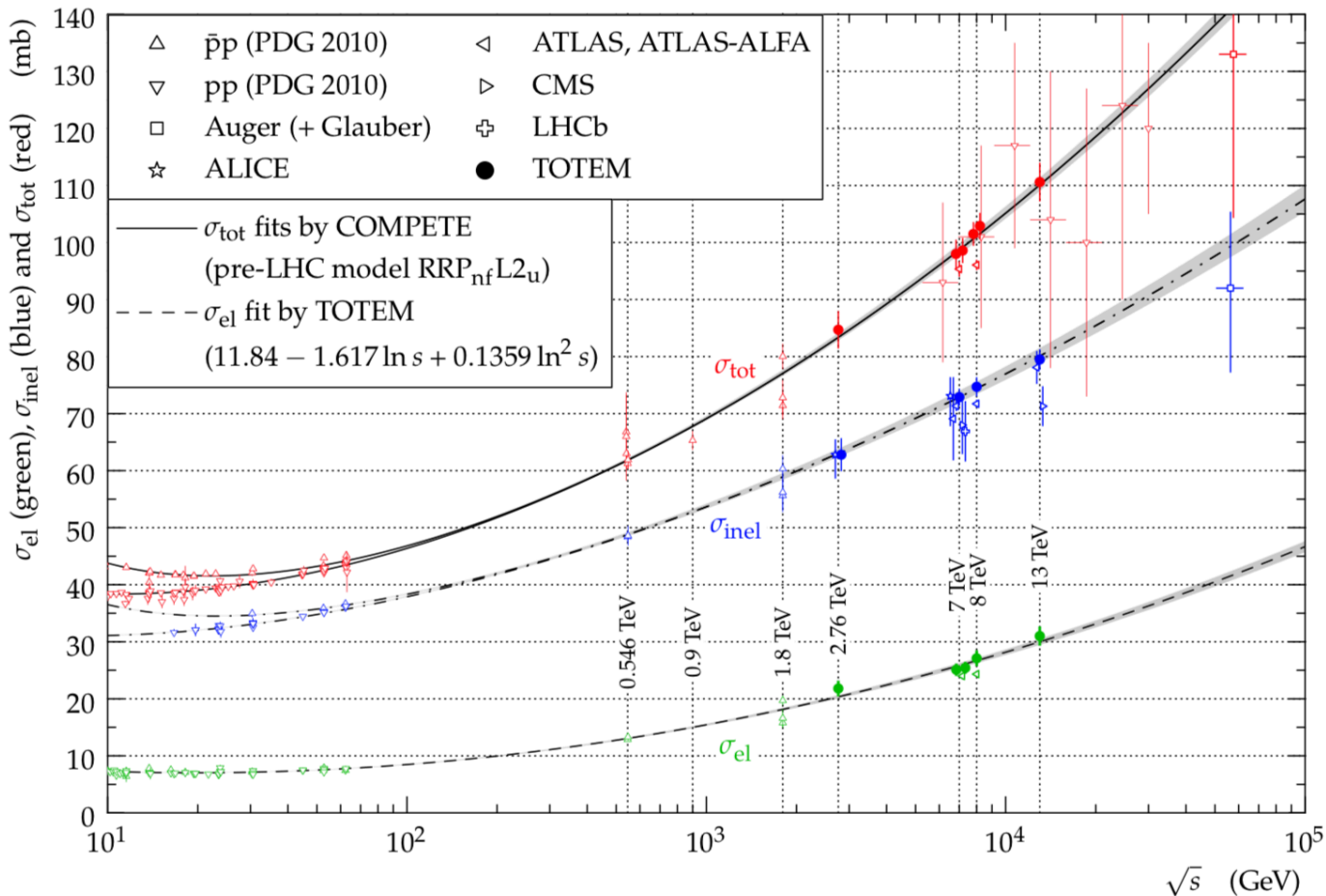
Comments on more forward \rightarrow

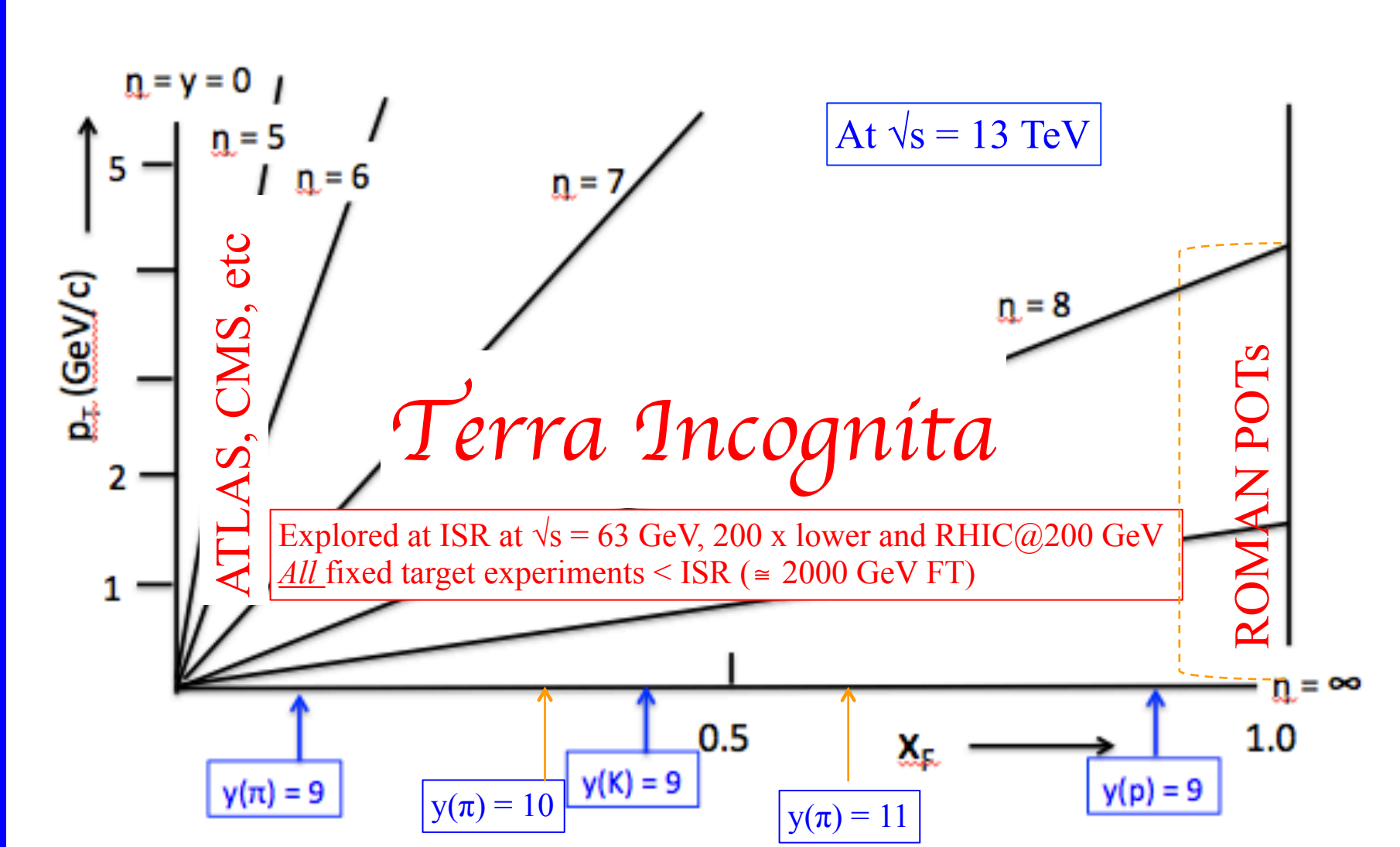
Zero-degree calorimeter for neutral particles

Small far detectors for scattered protons

First measurement of elastic, inelastic and total cross-section at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV by TOTEM and overview of cross-section data at LHC energies

arXiv:1712.06153v2 [hep-ex]

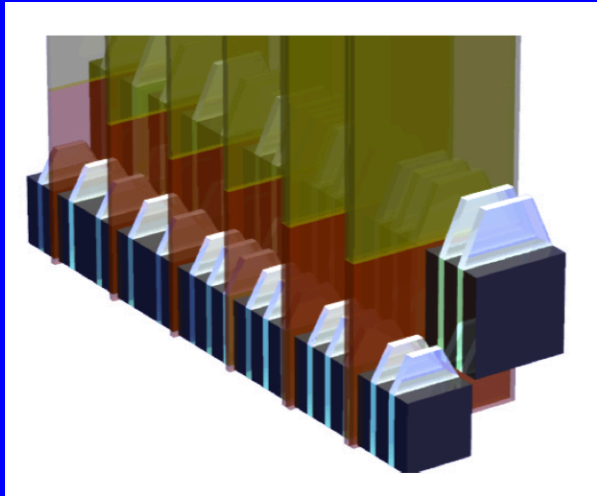




$$y_{\text{BEAM}} = \ln(\sqrt{s}/m_p) = 9.54$$

ZDC & LHCf measure neutrals ($n + K_L^0$, $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$) at $\theta \sim 0^\circ$.

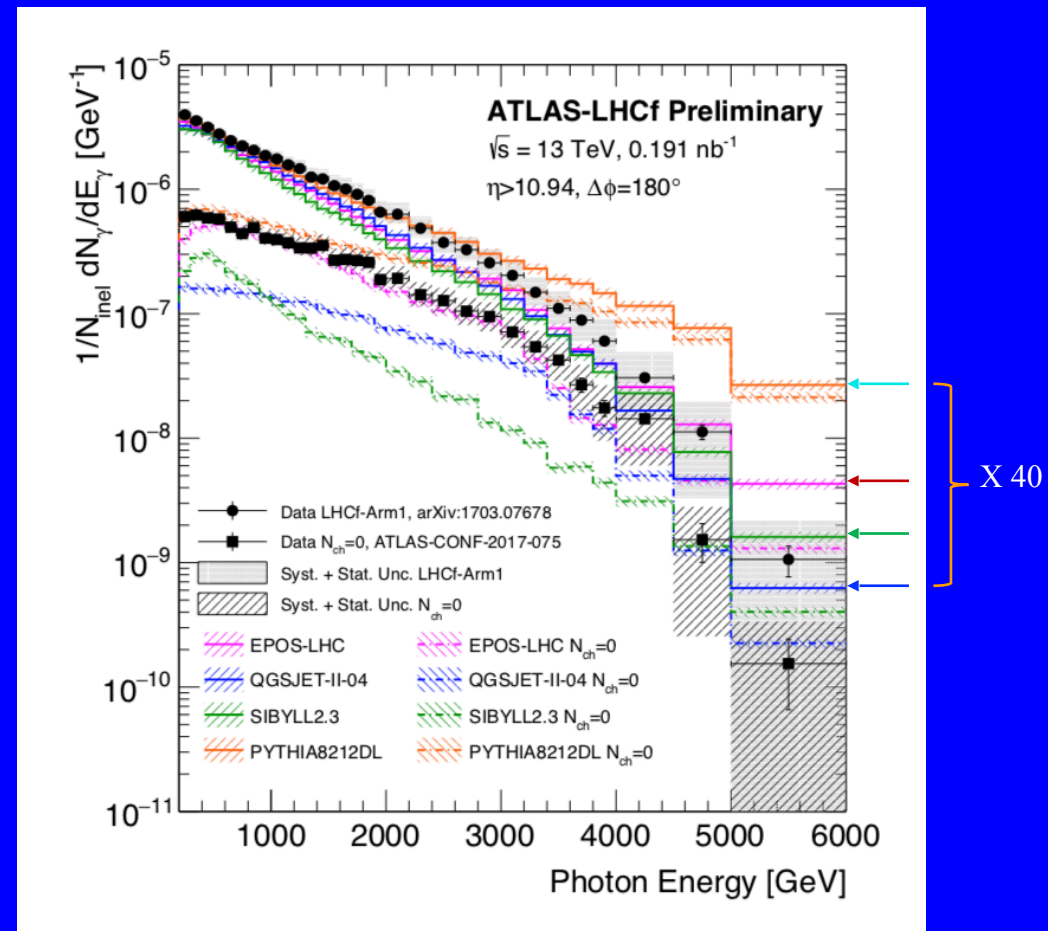
LHCf is a small 0° calorimeter measuring photon-like and n-like showers
 Only $1.6 \lambda_I$ and 4 cm in size, $\sigma(E)/E \sim 40\%$ for neutrons.
 Low-PU, High β^* runs



Arm 1: 2cm x 2cm & 4cm x 4cm
 Arm 2: 2.5 x 2.5 & 3.2 x 3.2 cm

Common data with ATLAS for some
 Low-PU runs: diffractive events

ZDC in CMS
 $7 \lambda_I$ and 8cm x 10 cm
 Expect $\sigma(E)/E \sim 15\%$ at 3 TeV



Photon energy (mostly from π^0)

DPMJET prediction

Very uncertain! Illustration only

Spectra generated by /DPMJET-MARS
With 10^6 pp events, $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV
(N.Mokhov and O.Fornieri)

In 1 second, with 2808 bunches,
Have 30×10^6 bunch crossings and
 $30 \times 10^6 \times \mu$ (= interactions/X) events.

Notes:

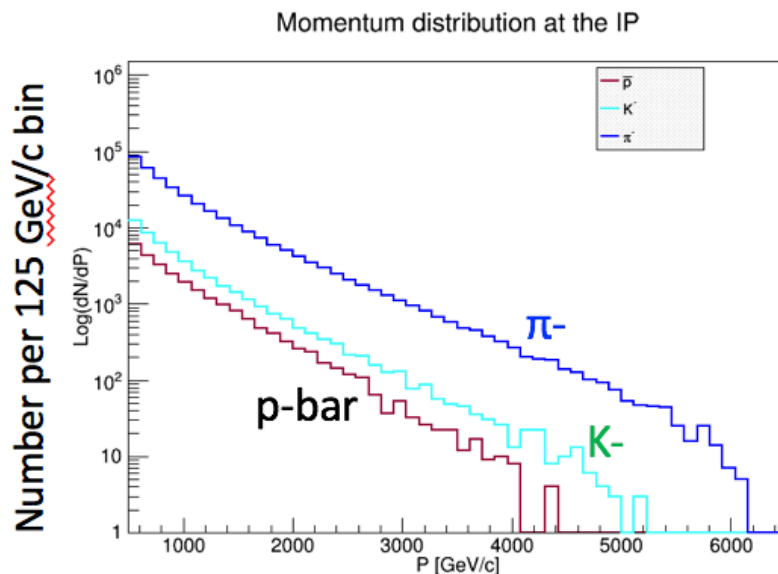
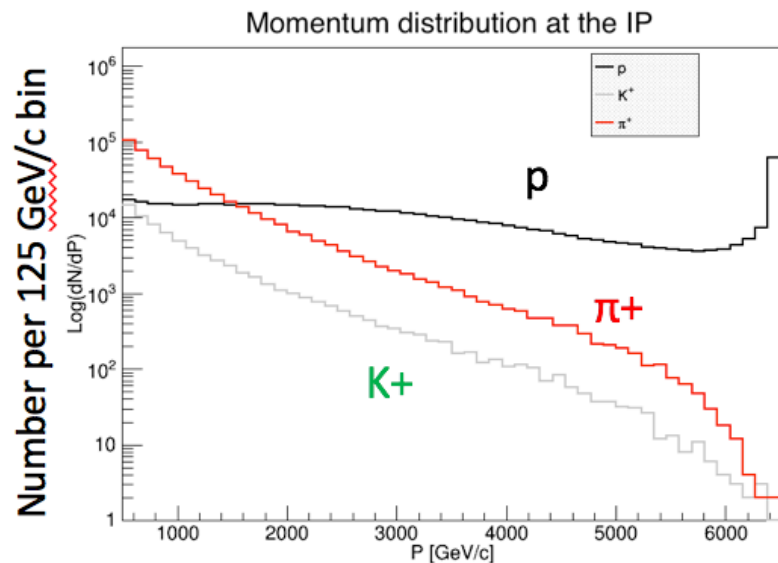
At 0.5 TeV (\sim central)

$\pi^+ = \pi^-$ & $K^+ \equiv K^-$ & $K/\pi \sim 10\%$

p 's $> \pi^+$ above 1.5 TeV and flattish;
High x_F peak from diffraction

$K^-(s\text{-u}\bar{u})$ steeper than $K^+(u\text{-s}\bar{u})$
 $\pi^-(d\text{-u}\bar{u})$ steeper than $\pi^+(u\text{-d}\bar{u})$

Antiprotons $< K^-$ but only by a factor ~ 0.5
Anti-deuterons/tritons/He³ to measure too



$\sim 100 \times \text{Acc/bin/sec if } \mu \sim 3$

Neutrons not = protons, K^0 not = $K^{+/-}$

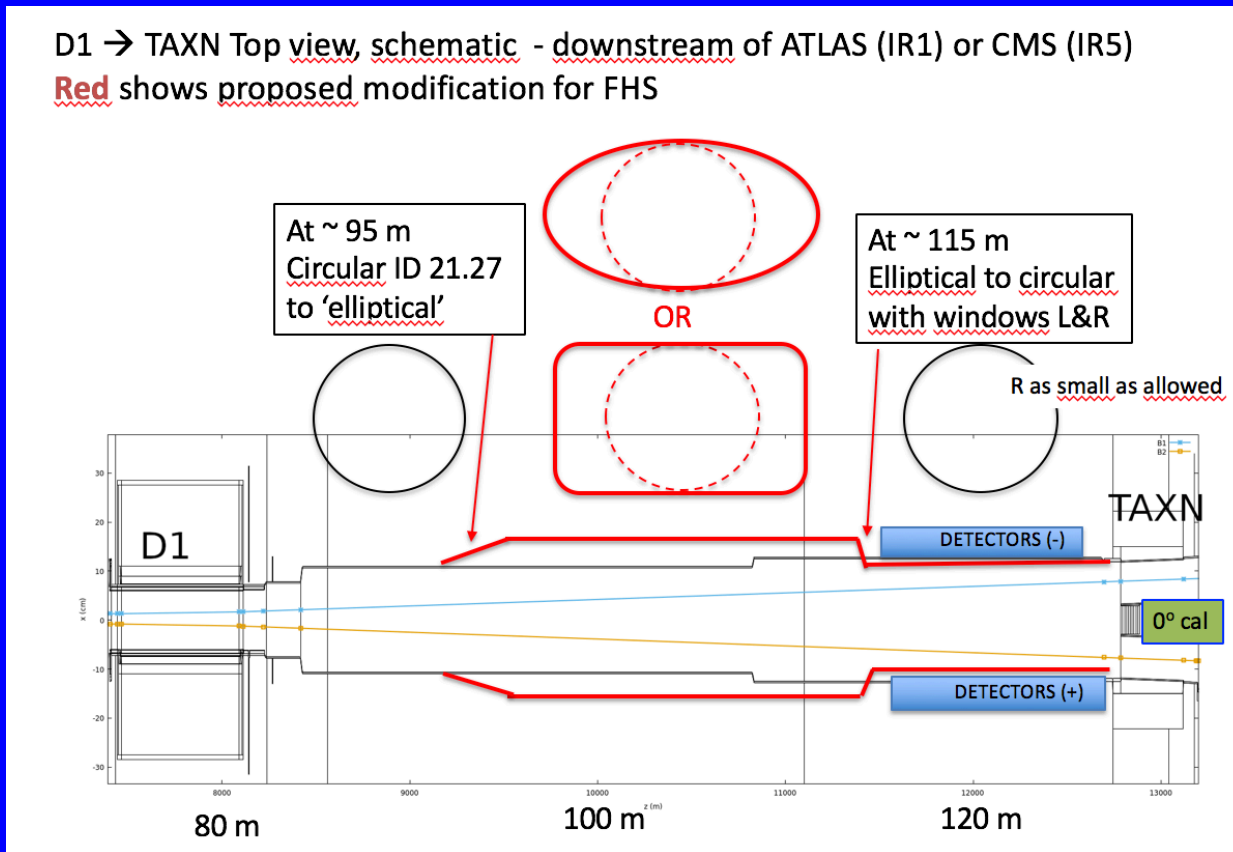
FORWARD HADRON SPECTROMETER FHS for LHC – to come?

Precise measurements of multi-TeV identified charged particle spectra

In principle: e , μ , π , K , $D^0(K+\pi^-)$, $p, pbar$, Λ/\Lambdabar , $d, dbar$, $t, tbar$...

When? First weeks of Run 4 2025? pp but want p-O and O-O also for CR

CERN Workshop April 16+17 2020 – Collaboration to form – contact me!



Tracking – TRD ($\pi/K/p$) – Targets+minitracking – calorimeter - muons

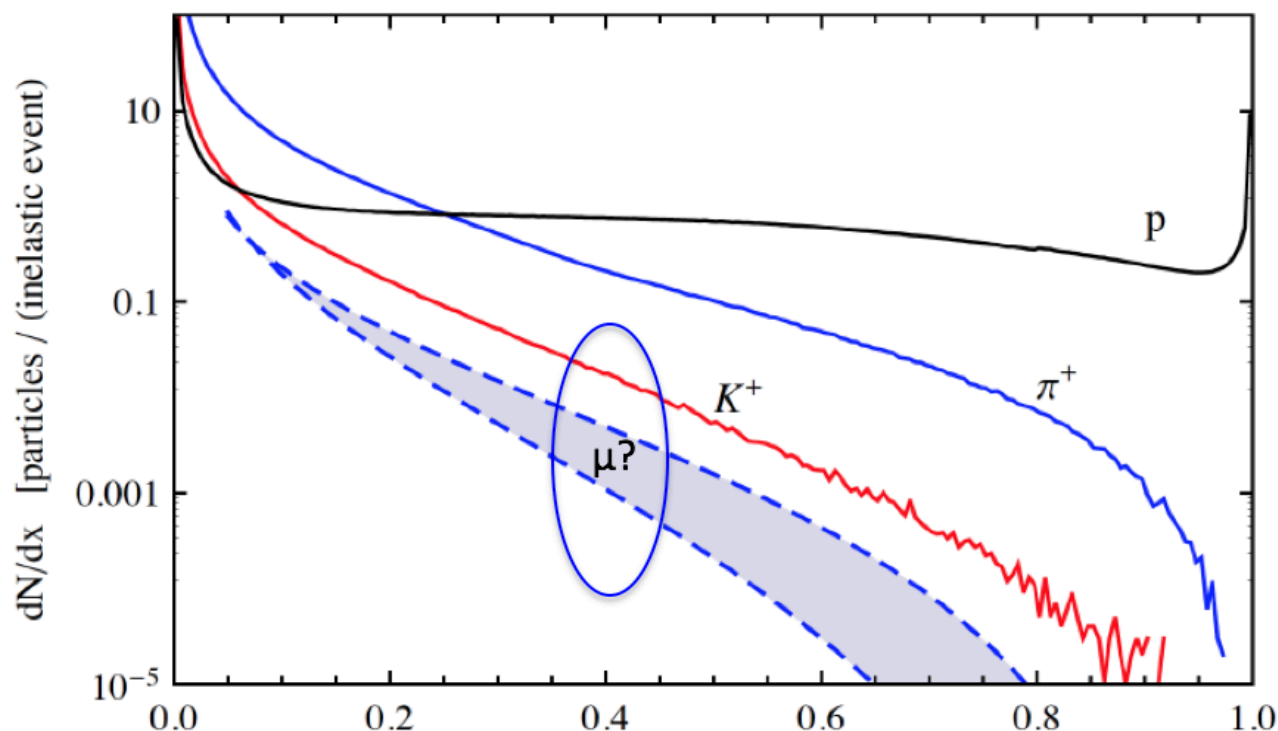
Charm and beauty hadrons only measured at LHC in central region.

Some models, e.g. Stan Brodsky “intrinsic heavy flavor” have enhanced forward Q production

-- Massive Quarks in sea carry high momentum for same rapidity (At $p_T = 0$ $x_F = m \cdot e^y / \sqrt{s}$)

$c, b \rightarrow \mu$ gives excess prompt μ at large x_F .

In $\Delta x = 0.1$ at $x = 0.4$ about 10^{-3} per inelastic event. At PU = 1 have 30 million X/sec : $\sim 10^4 \mu/s$!



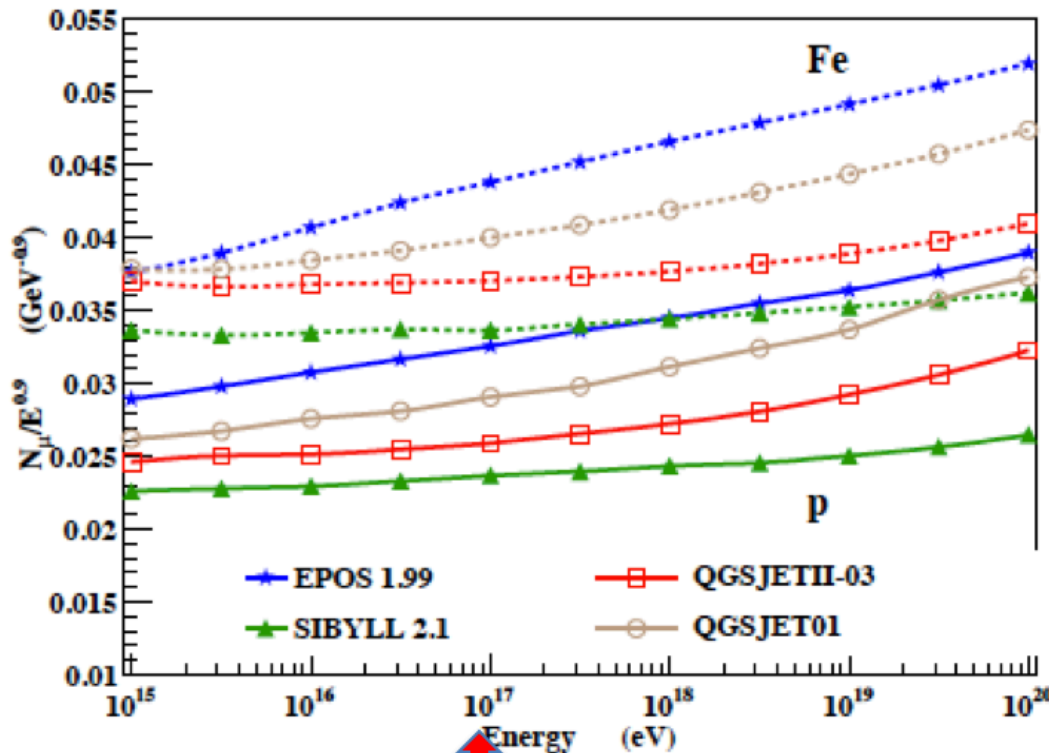
Muons from charm decay
(from exotic model) $x = 2 E / \sqrt{s}$

May reconstruct $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$
Also measure very forward μ

Example of spread in Cosmic ray shower simulations
 # muons on ground / $E^{0.9}$ (to flatten curves) vs E .
 p- Air (solid) and Fe- air (dashed)

Muon production

From FPWG_YELLOW_REPORT : CERN/LHCC 2013-021



These are on air not pp.

LHC has run p-Pb and Pb-p
 And p-O and O-O are planned.
 Requested by
 heavy ion groups (ALICE et al).

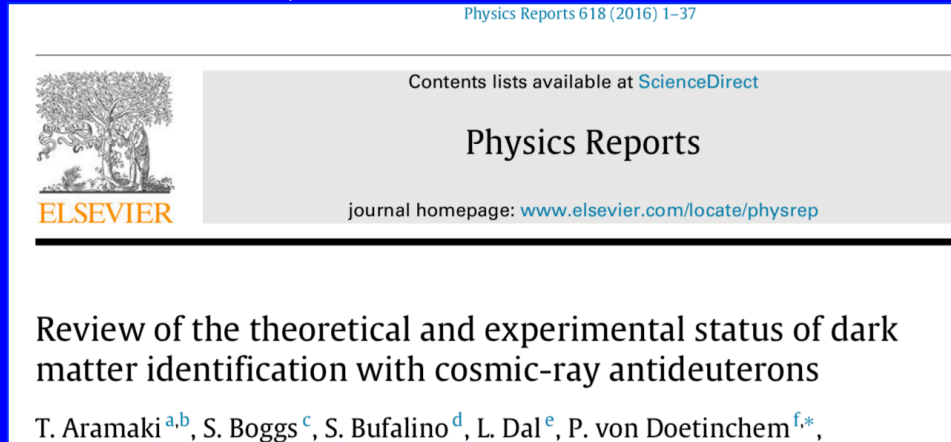
Big spread even assuming no
 surprises, e.g. high forward
 heavy flavor production
 (Brodsky)

Equivalent FT energy of $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV
 $E_{\text{eq}} = s/2m_p$

Production of antinuclei at LHC.

Possible signals of dark matter annihilation in galactic center in γ -rays

Central region: $|y| < 0.5$ at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ pp.



ALICE has central LHC data
Need to measure forward too

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Production of deuterons, tritons, ^3He nuclei, and their antinuclei in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 0.9, 2.76$, and 7 TeV

A Very Forward Hadron Spectrometer for the LHC and Cosmic Ray Physics

arXiv:1811.02047v1

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Charged hadron production in hadron-hadron collisions with longitudinal momentum fraction Feynman- x , x_F , between 0.1 and 0.9 has not been measured above $\sqrt{s} = 63$ GeV at the CERN Intersecting Storage Rings. I discuss a way to measure this at the Large Hadron Collider at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, which is 40,000 times higher in equivalent fixed target energy, and important for understanding cosmic ray showers.

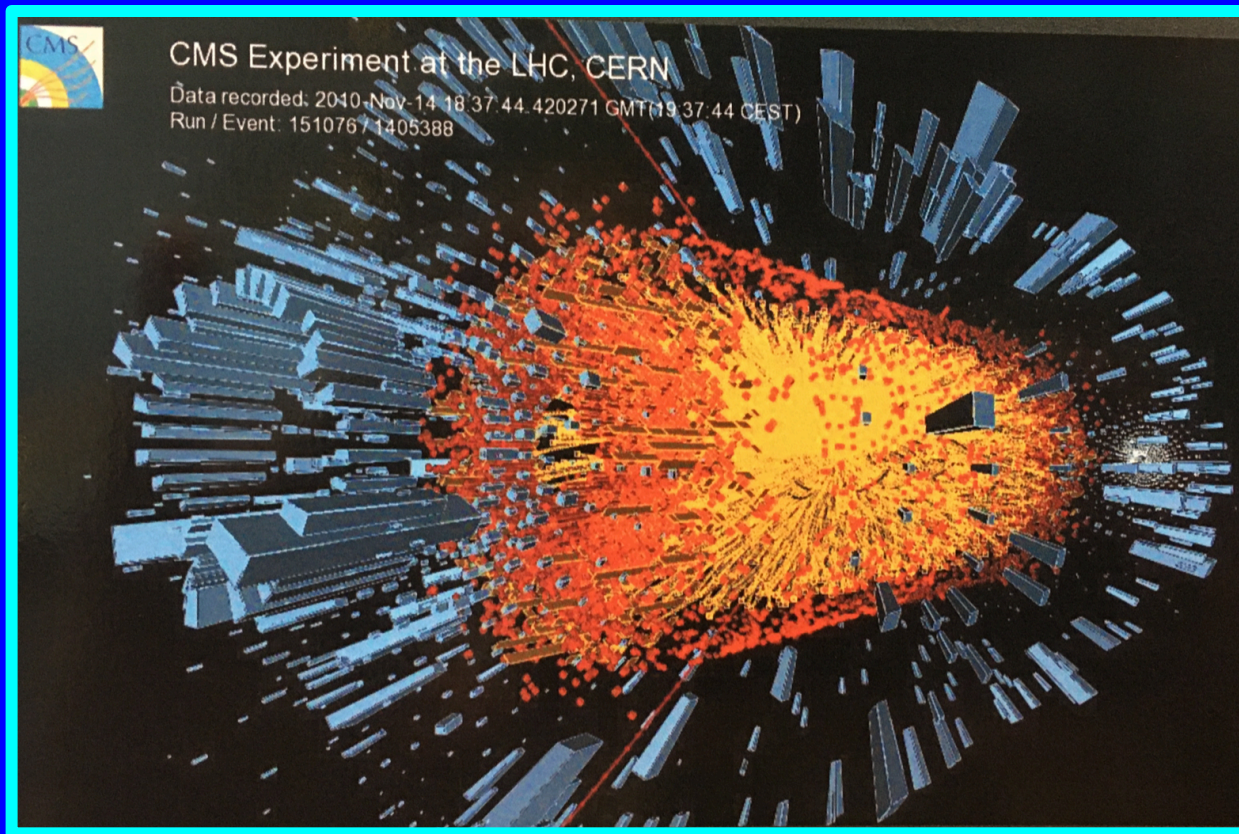
2nd World Summit: Exploring the Dark Side of the Universe

25-29 June, 2018

University of Antilles, Pointe-À-Pitre, Guadeloupe, France

Brief note – please contact me albrow@fnal.gov

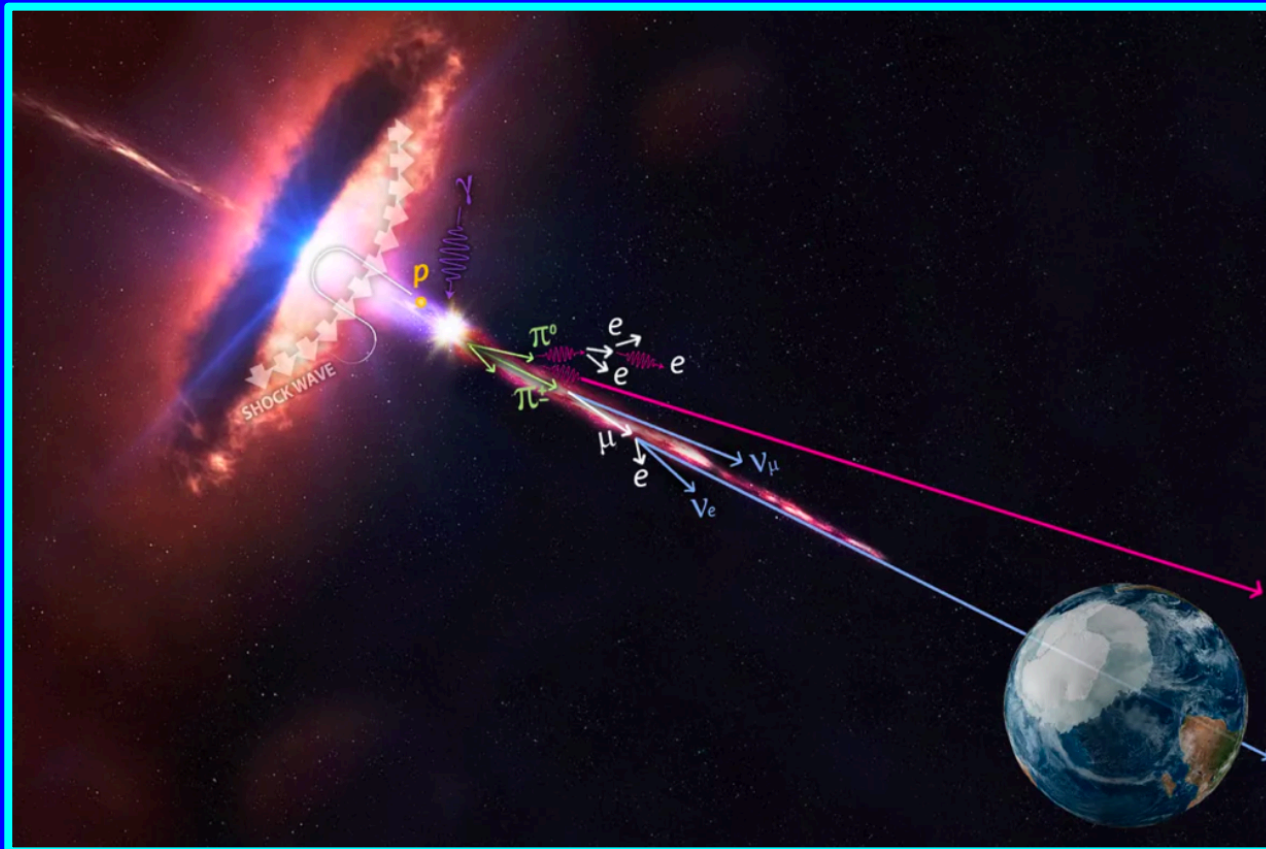
At CERN's Large Hadron Collider (LHC) –
Lead-Lead (Pb+Pb) nuclei colliding!
ALICE is dedicated experiment, but here is a collision in CMS



We need proton-oxygen pO and oxygen-oxygen OO too!
Planned for next run – but want in Run 4 too!

Neutrinos ν_e ν_μ ν_τ from violent cosmic events

Sources: $\pi - \mu - \tau - c - b - W - Z - ? - ?$



Produced in p-p, p-A, A-A collisions at ultra-high energies
and cascading down through LHC region

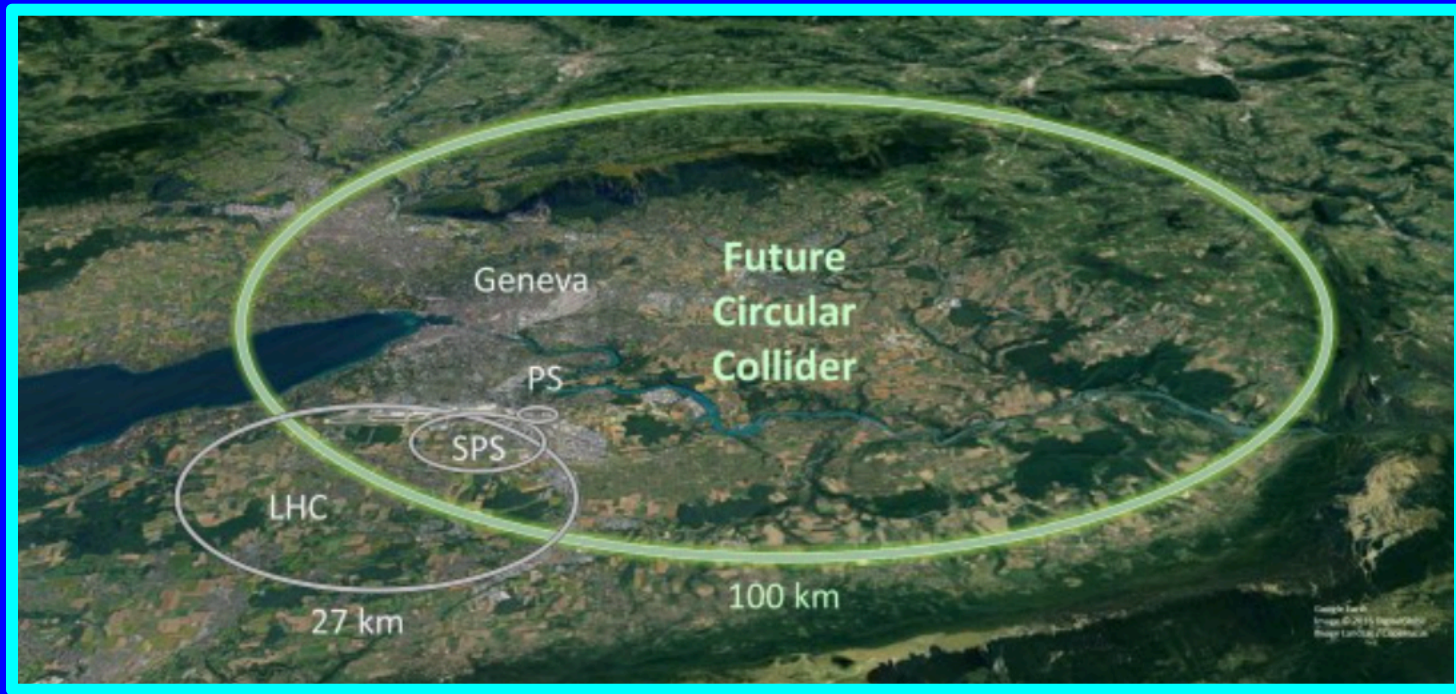
CERN's Future? Future Circular Collider

(Name will have to change when it exists!)

$e^+ e^-$ collisions - > Higgs boson with high precision
(as LEP did for Z-boson)

100 TeV total energy pp collisions 7x LHC

+ Heavy ion collisions – as in cosmic ray showers



Conclusion:

Cosmic ray physics and ‘multimessenger astronomy’ need data from accelerator experiments to do best science.

Vast amounts of accelerator – experiment data but either

- (a) At much lower energies, or
- (b) In the central region (large angles), or
- (c) n (not precise), π^0 at 0° or quasi-elastic or elastic protons

We can do better – mutually beneficial!

Thank you