



Experimental Particle Physics PHYS6011  
Putting it all together  
Lecture 4

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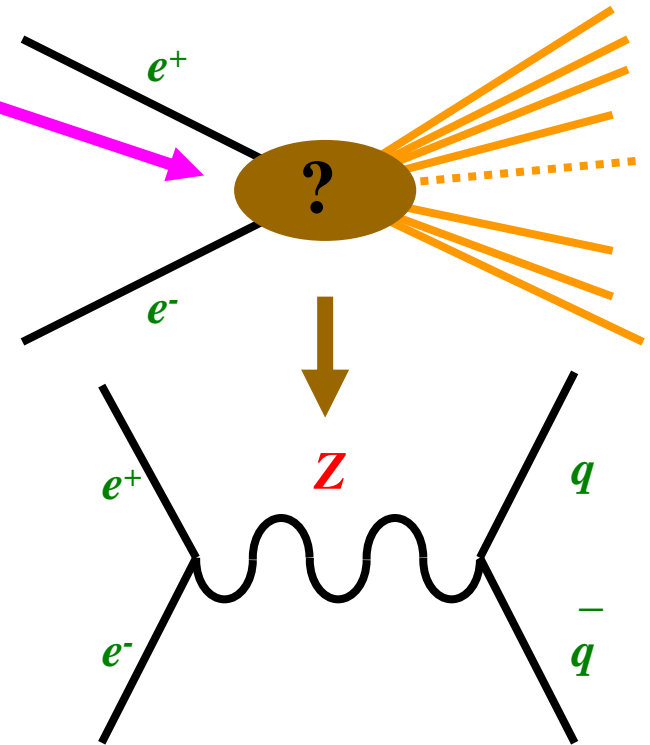
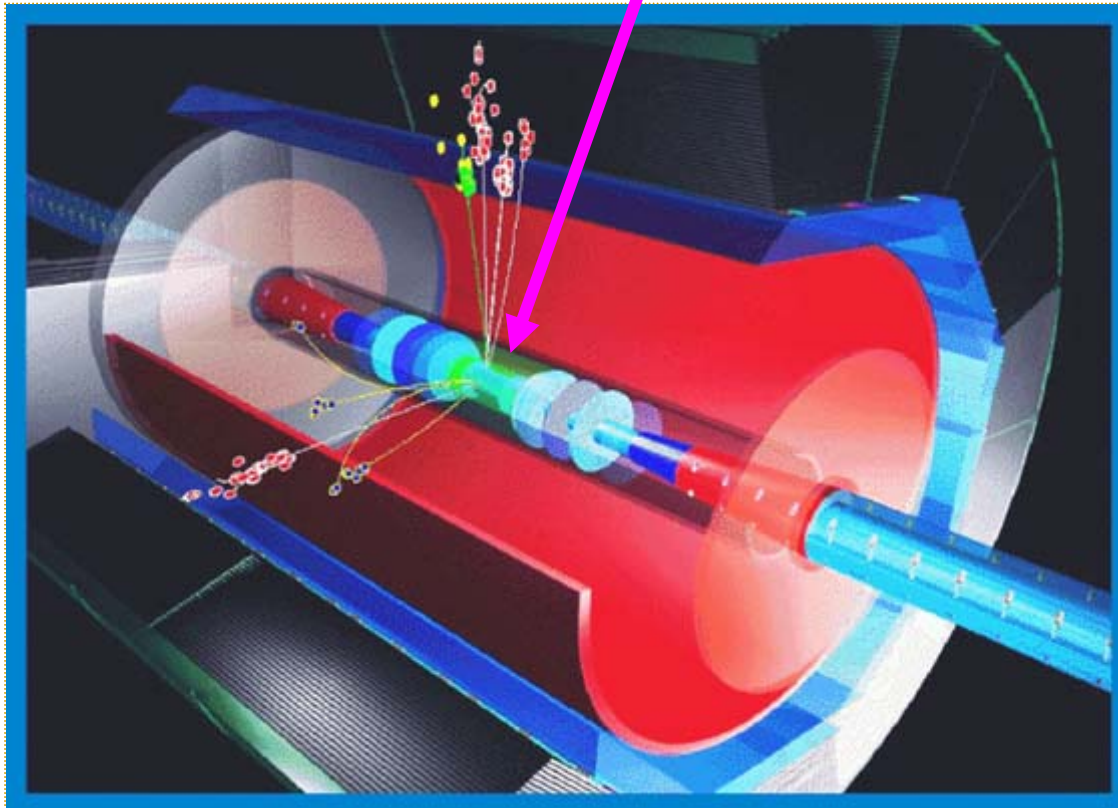
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# Collider Experiments

- So far:
  - Accelerators and colliders
  - Particle interactions
  - Types of detectors
- *Combine them to do physics...*
- Example: CDF at the Tevatron
  1. Proton-antiproton collisions
  2. Fermilab and the Tevatron
  3. CDF and DØ
  4. Identifying particles
  5. Identifying physics processes
    - Top production
    - Higgs Production

# Reconstructing Collisions

What happened here?



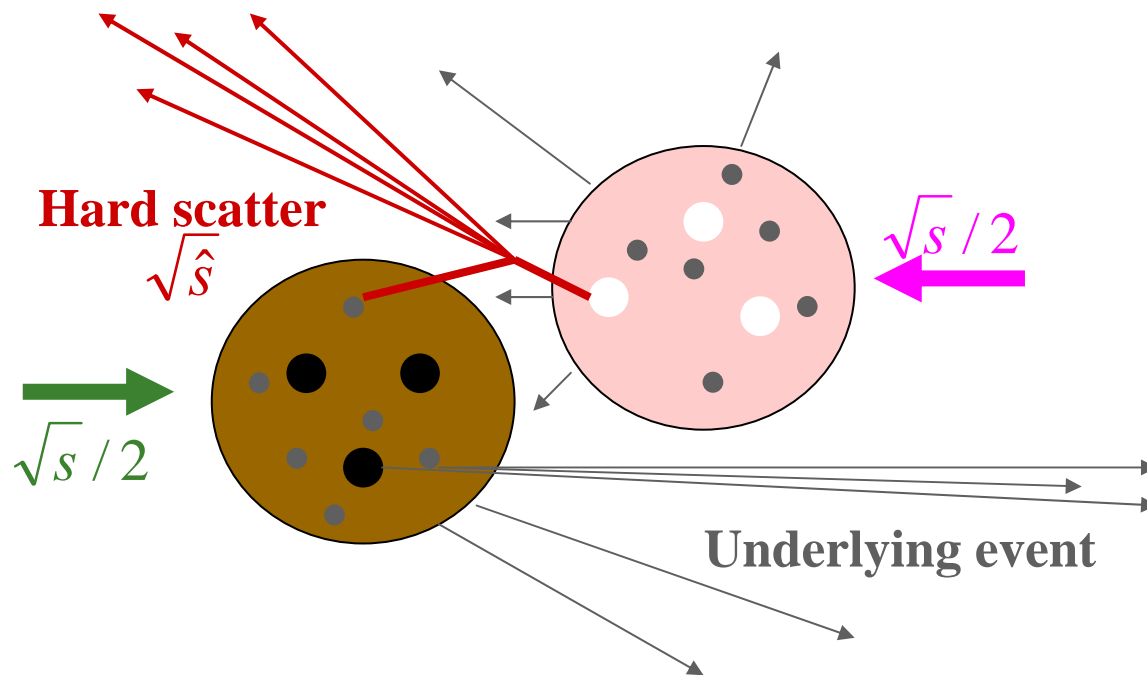
or something more exotic.....

- **extract maximum information outgoing particles**

# Proton-Antiproton Collisions

- Protons are composite objects: **valence & sea quarks;**  
**gluons**
- Really *parton-parton* collisions

- **Underlying event:**
  - Most lost at low angles
  - Some in detector
- $p_z$  unknown
- Extra detector hits
- Initial partons unknown
- Huge total cross section  
(10s of mb)

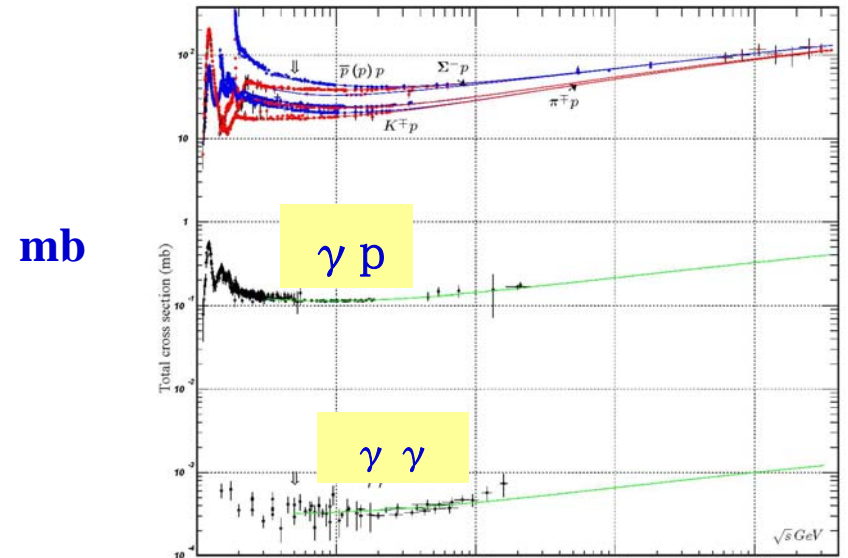
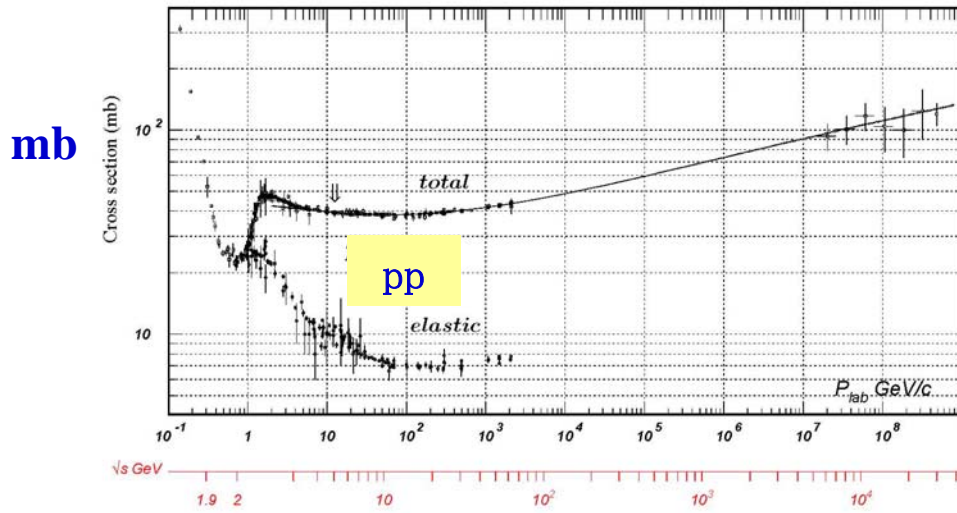
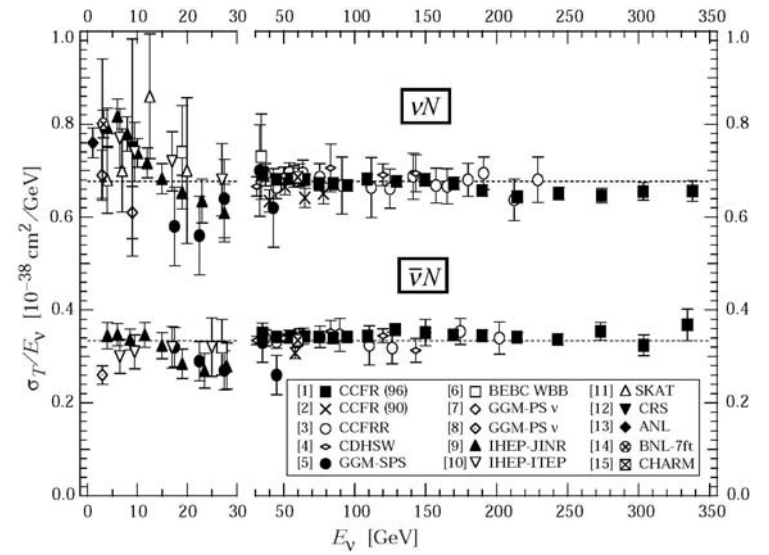
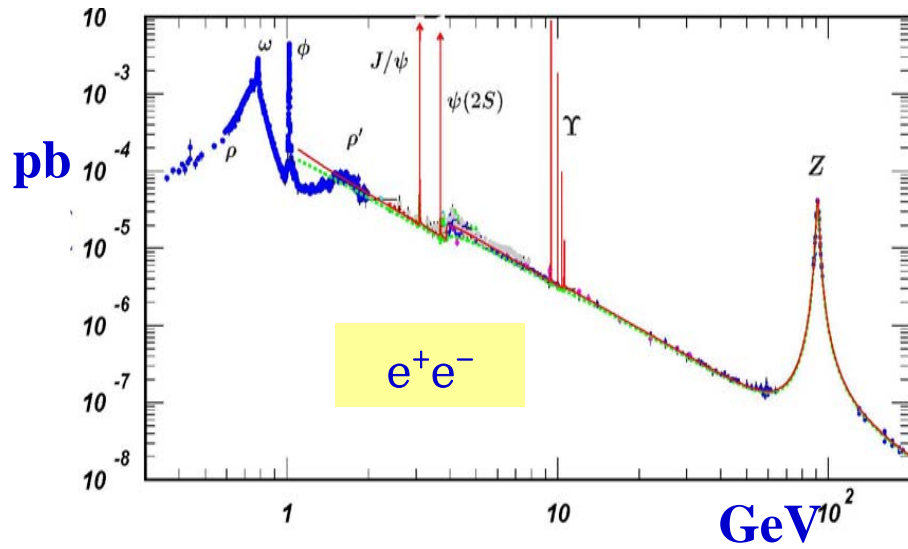


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# Cross-Sections

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$$1 \text{ fb} = 10^{-39} \text{ cm}^2$$



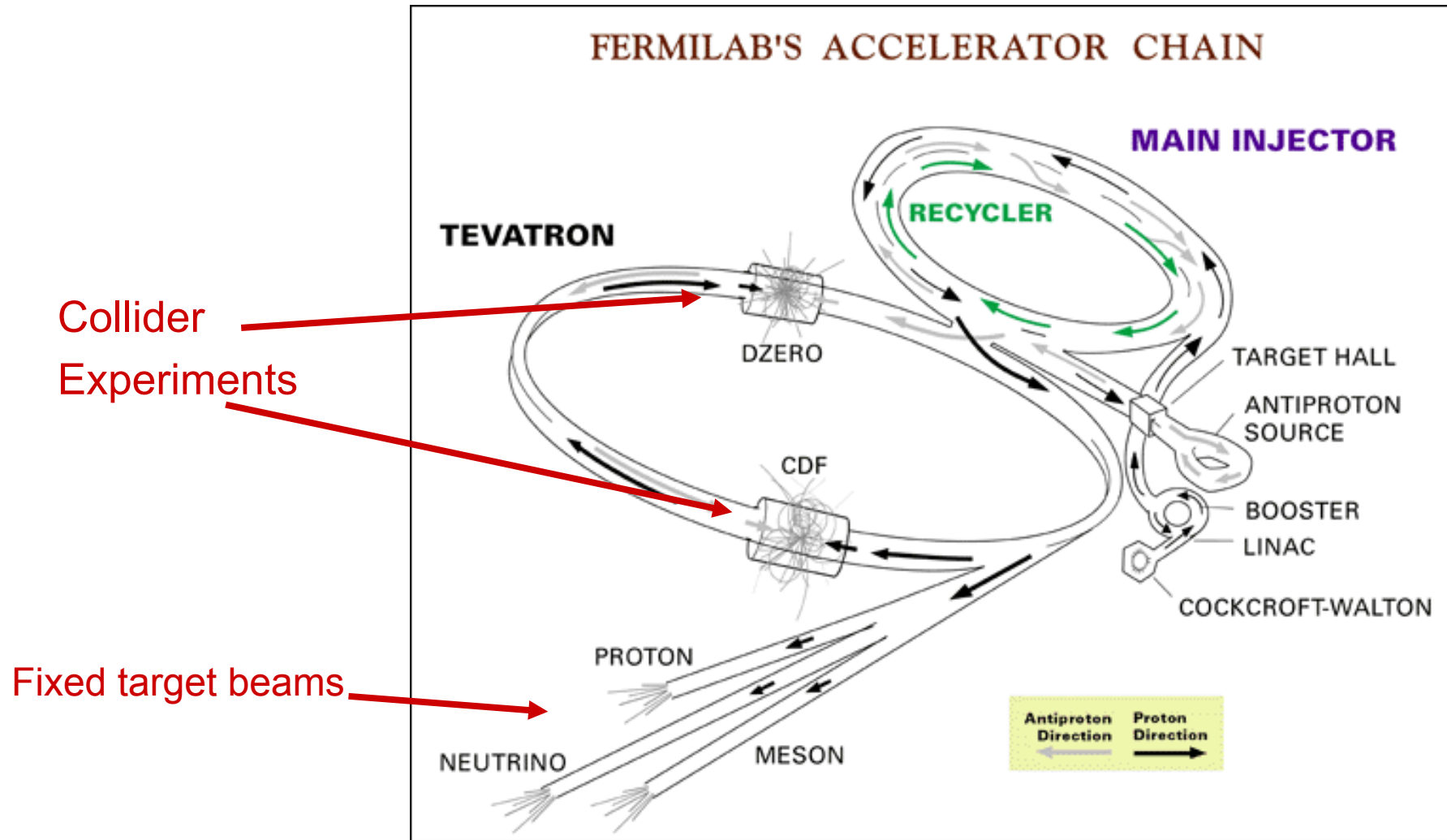
# Fermilab

- 30 miles west of Chicago
- 10 square miles
- Started operating in 1972
  
- Major discoveries
  - 1977 Bottom quark
  - 1995 Top quark
  - 1999 Direct CP Violation
  - 2000 Tau Neutrino





# Fermilab Accelerators



# The Tevatron Run II

- Upgraded for 2001
- $\sqrt{s} = 1.96 \text{ TeV}$
- proton-antiproton collisions

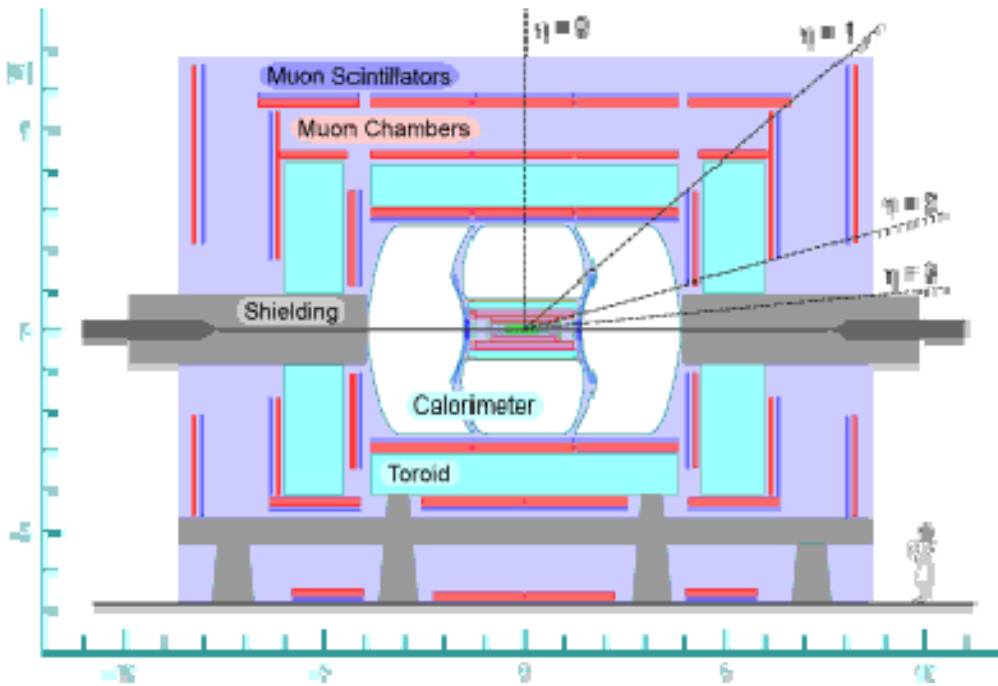


- 396 ns bunch crossing
- $L \sim 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ 
  - *3 interactions per crossing*
- 4-8  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  by 2009

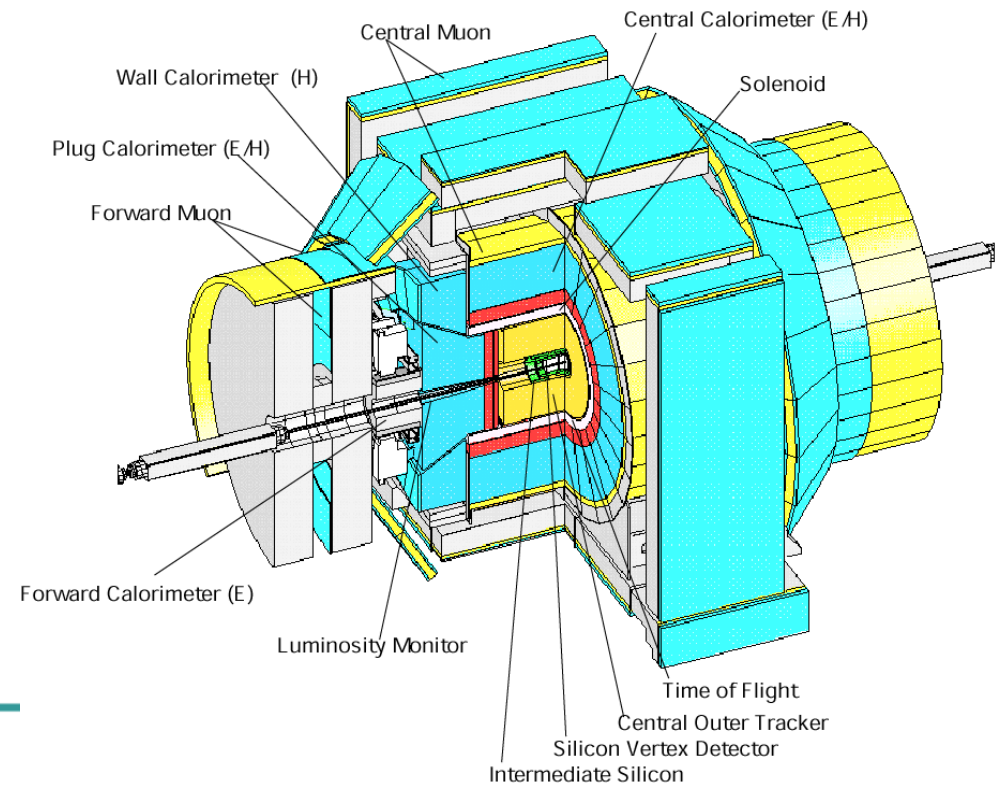


# The Experiments

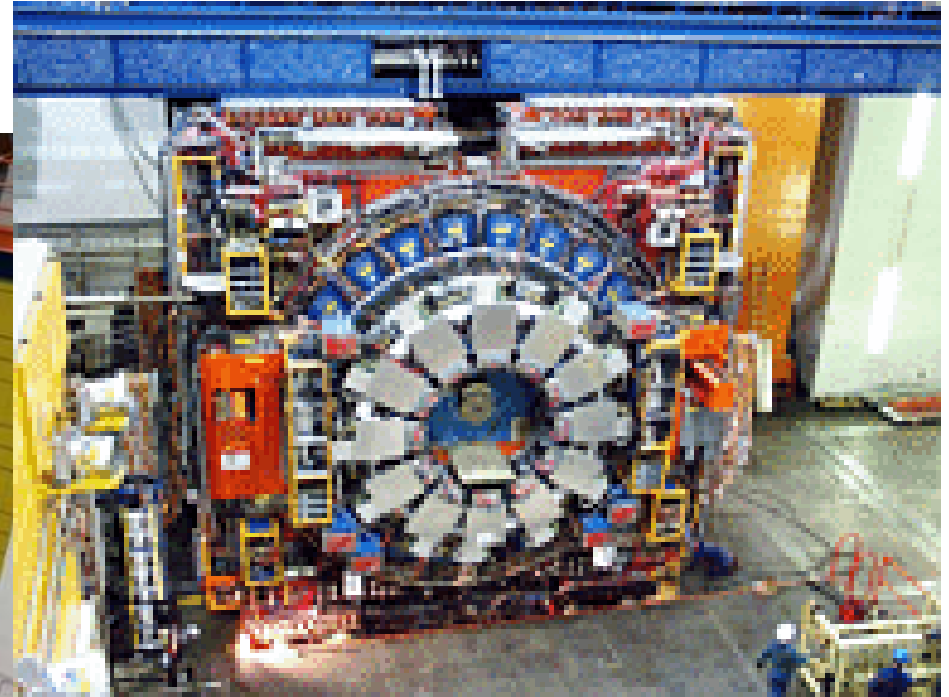
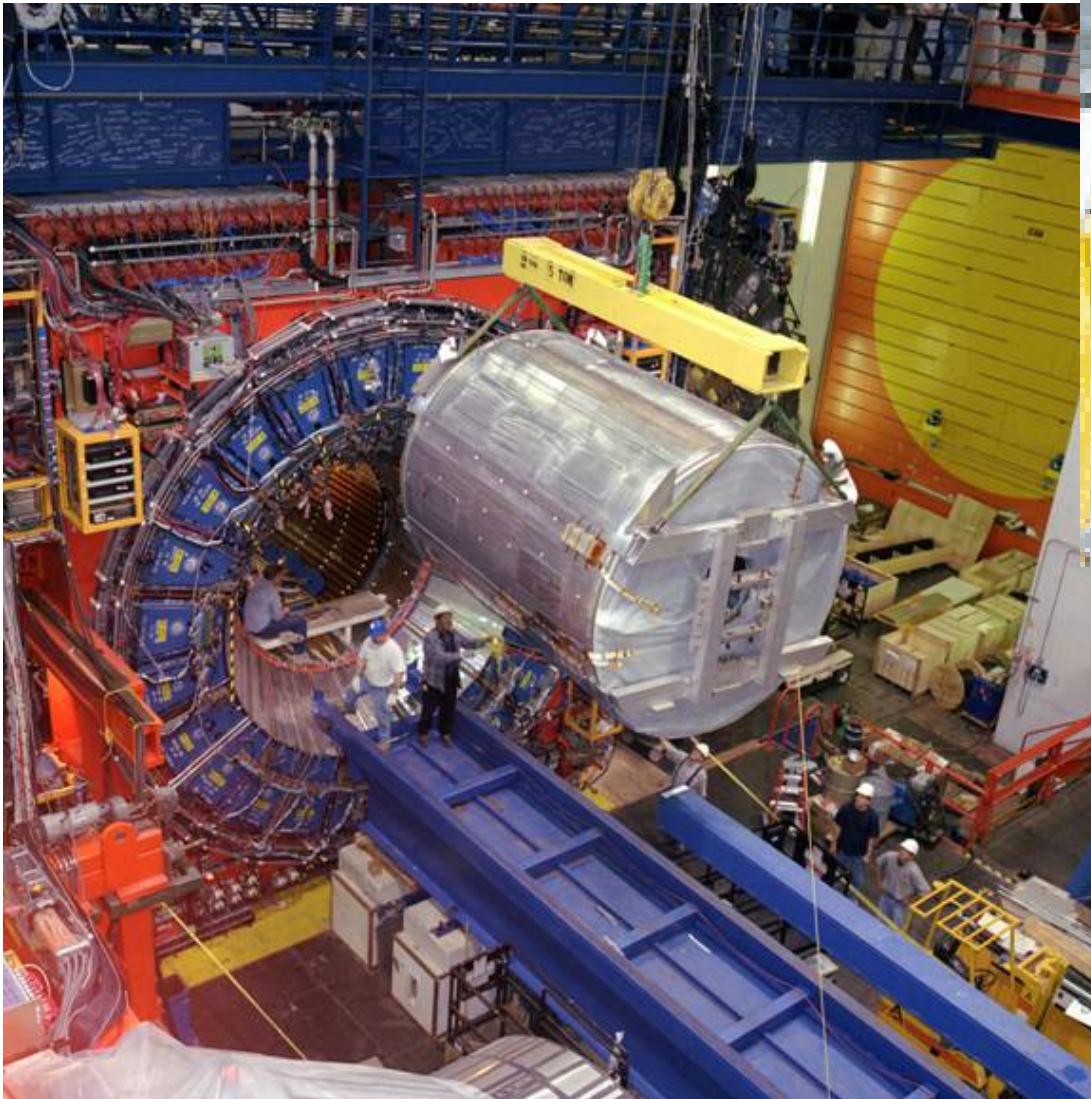
DØ - optimised for calorimetry



CDF - optimised for tracking



# CDF



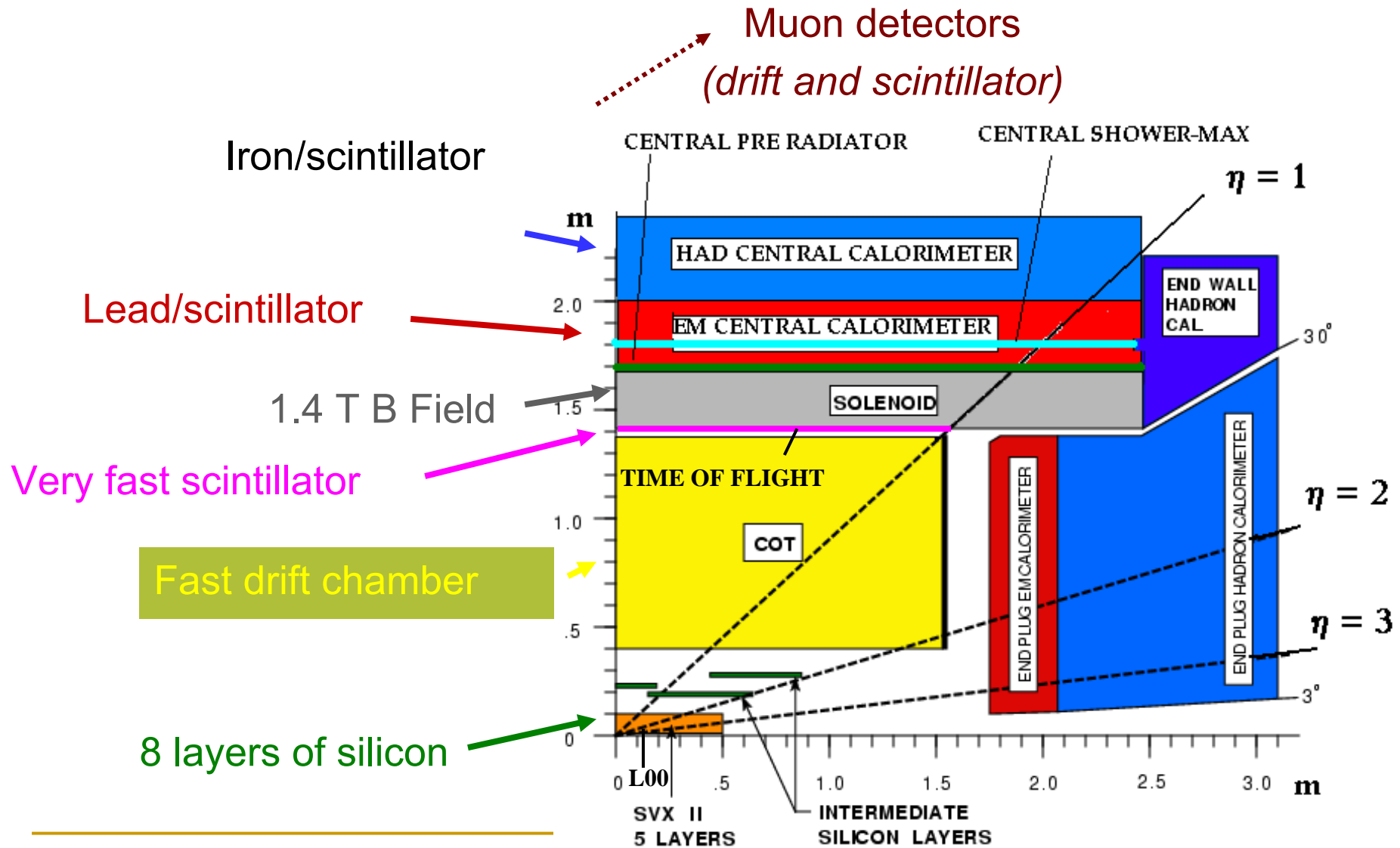
- 2001 Upgrade
  - Higher luminosity
  - Newer technology

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# CDF Components



# Trigger and DAQ

A million channels at 2.5 MHz

## DAQ

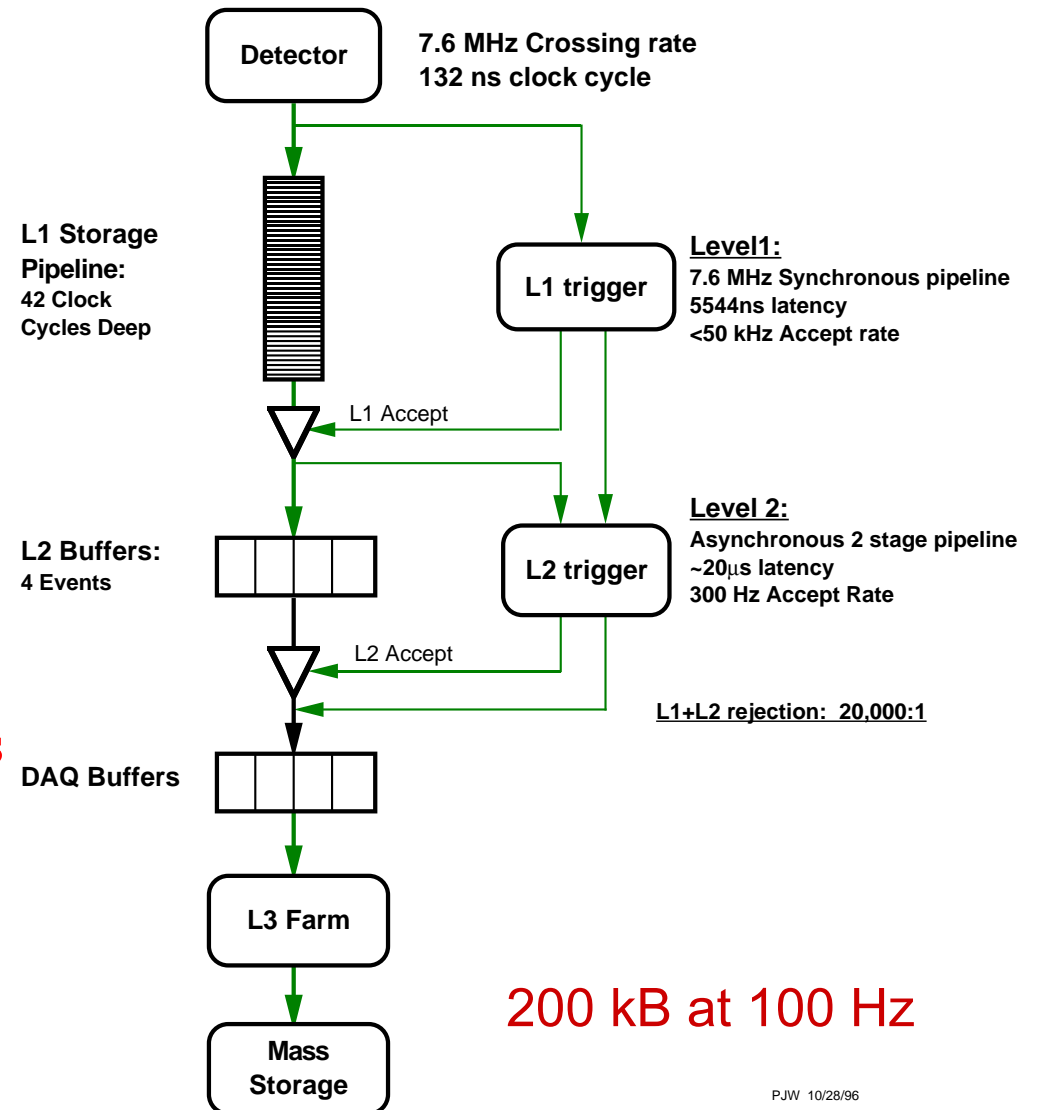
- Data acquisition
- Processing
- Storage

## Keywords:

- Pipeline
- Latency
- Buffer
- Trigger Rate

## Trigger Inputs:

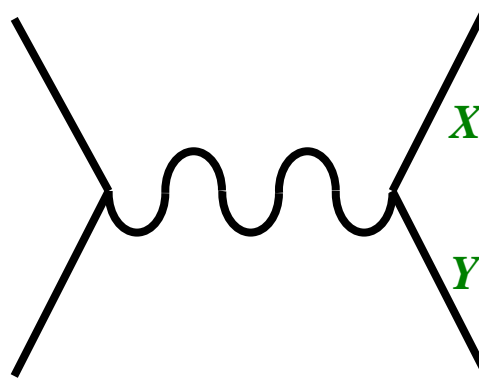
- Number of tracks
- Energy Clusters
- Particle Type



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# Feynman Level

- Hard process with final state X and Y



Directly observe X and Y if:

If not:

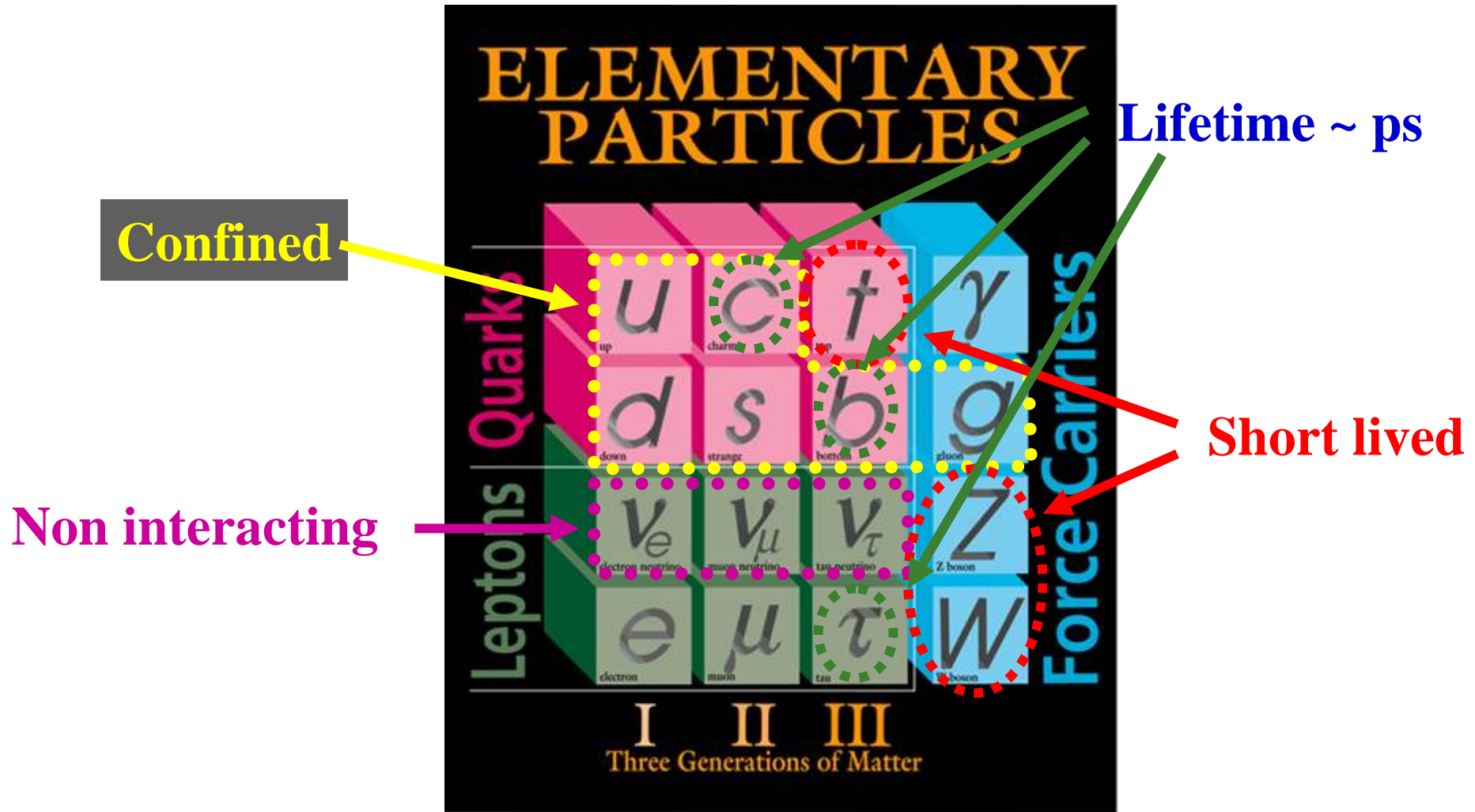
Long-lived (> picosecond)  $\longrightarrow$  Reconstruct from decay products

Interact with detectors  $\longrightarrow$  Reconstructed from “missing”  $p_T$

Not confined (e.g. not a quark)  $\longrightarrow$  Produce jets



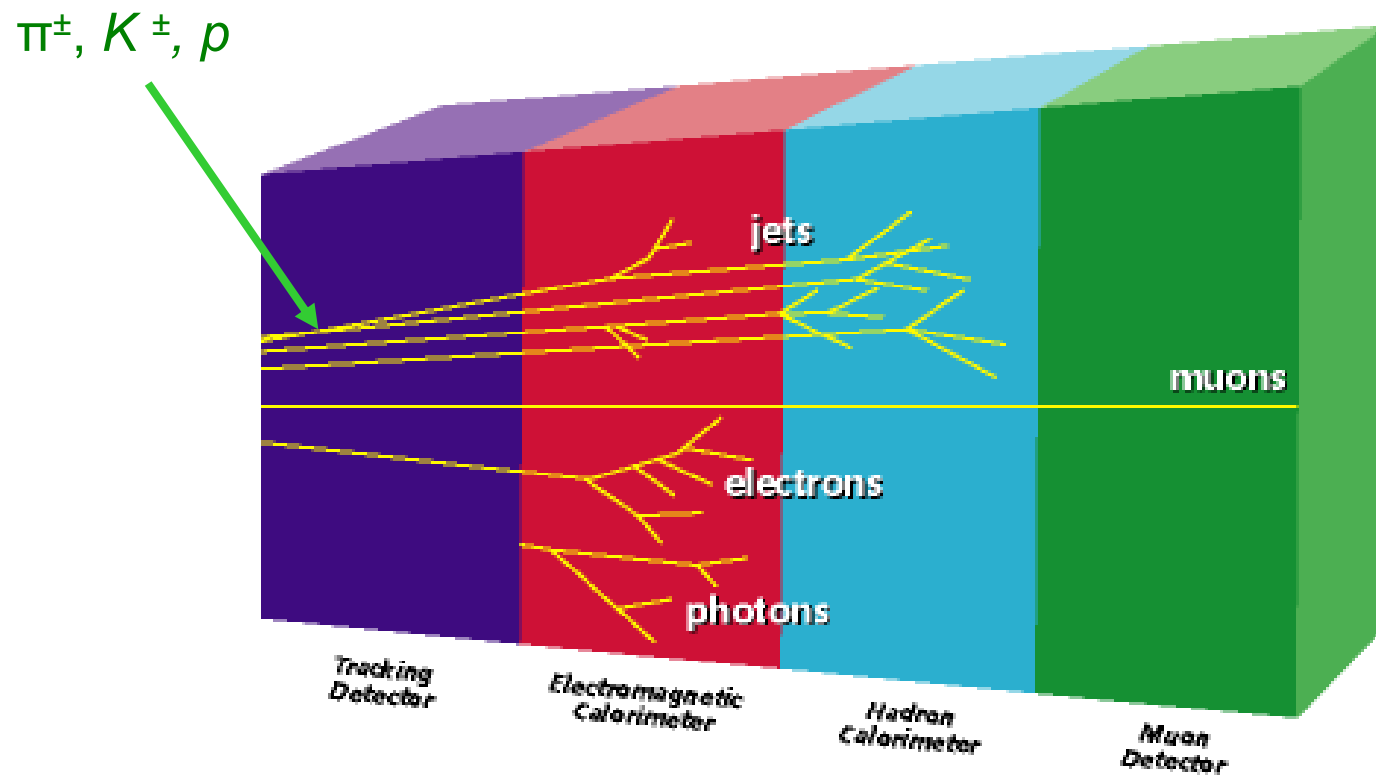
# Standard Model Particles





# Particles Signatures

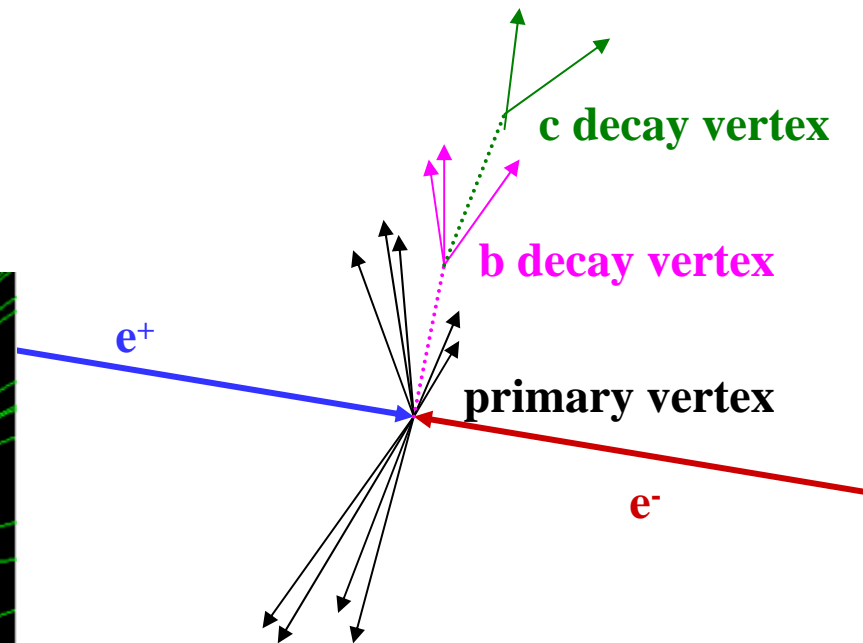
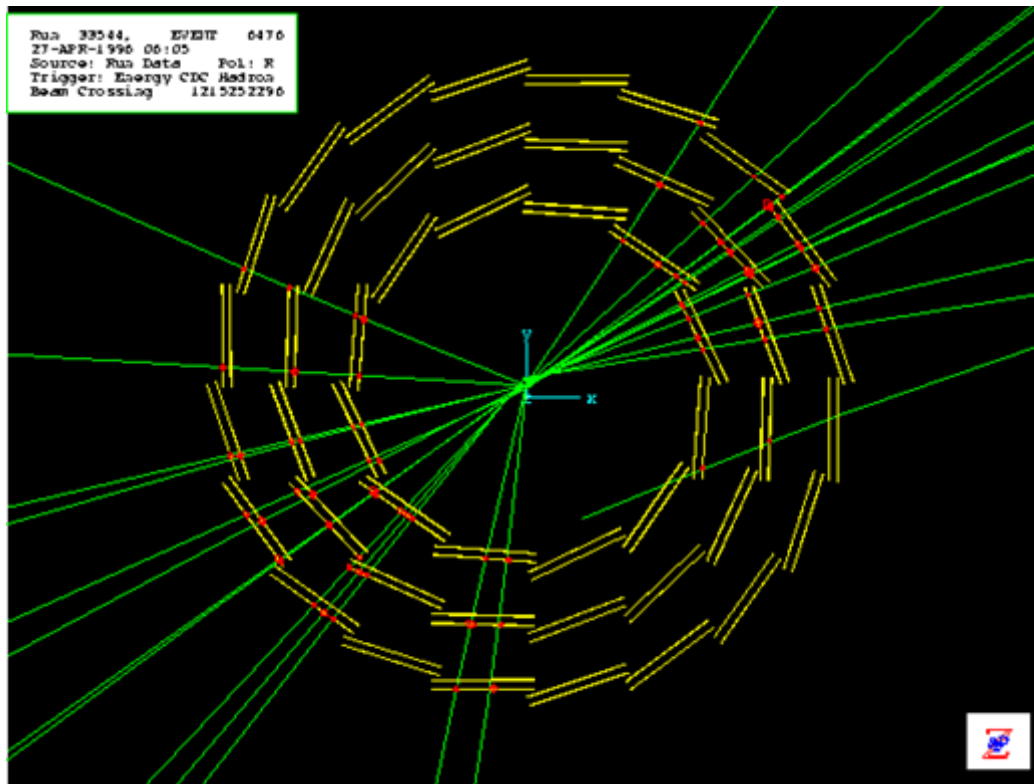
- Electron, photons, muons and jets



- Tau lepton ID depends on decay mode

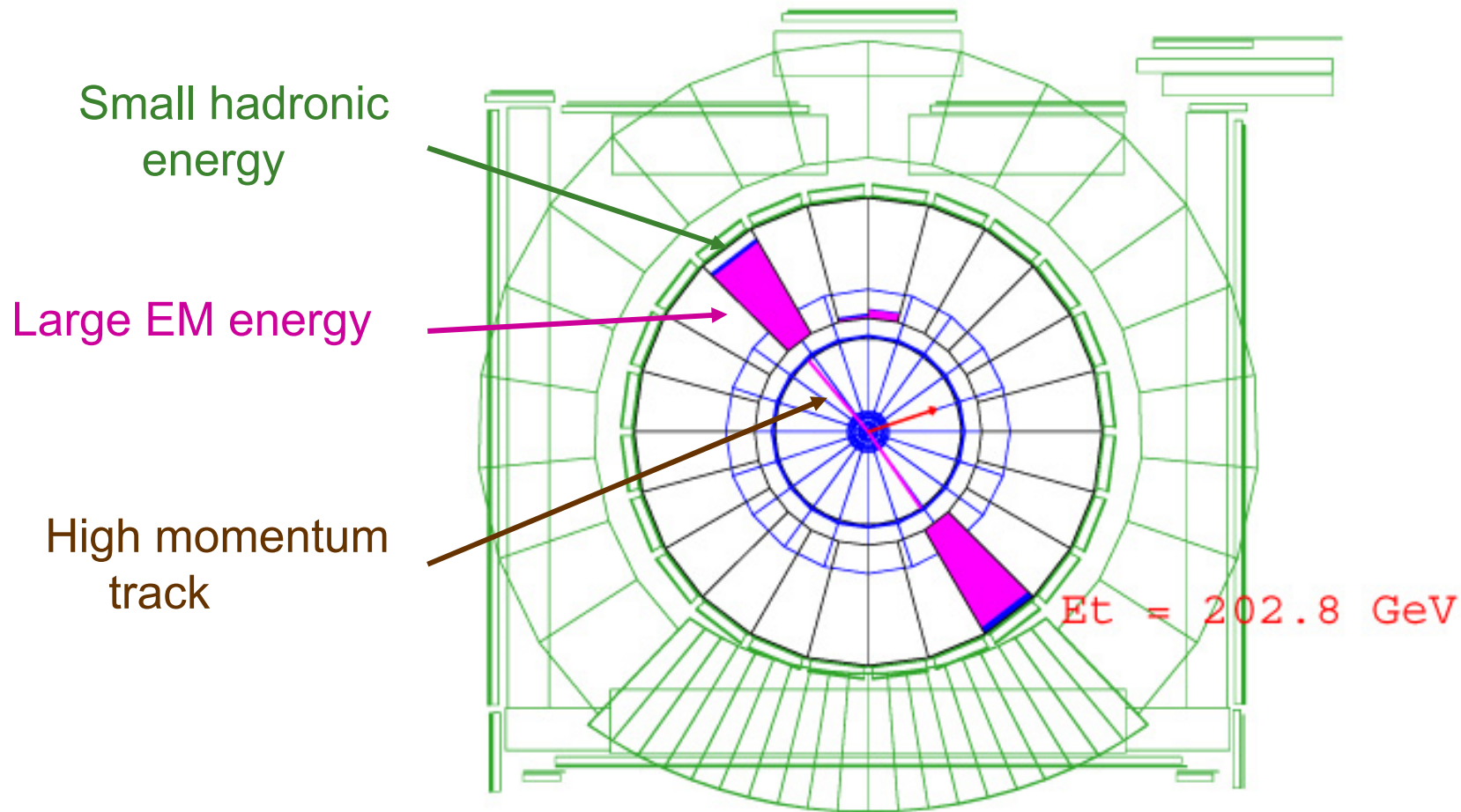
# Vertex Tagging

- *b*-quark, *c*-quark,  $\tau$ -lepton will travel a few mm then decay



- Precise tracking shows “displaced vertices”
- Easiest for *b* hadrons

# Signatures: Two Electron Event

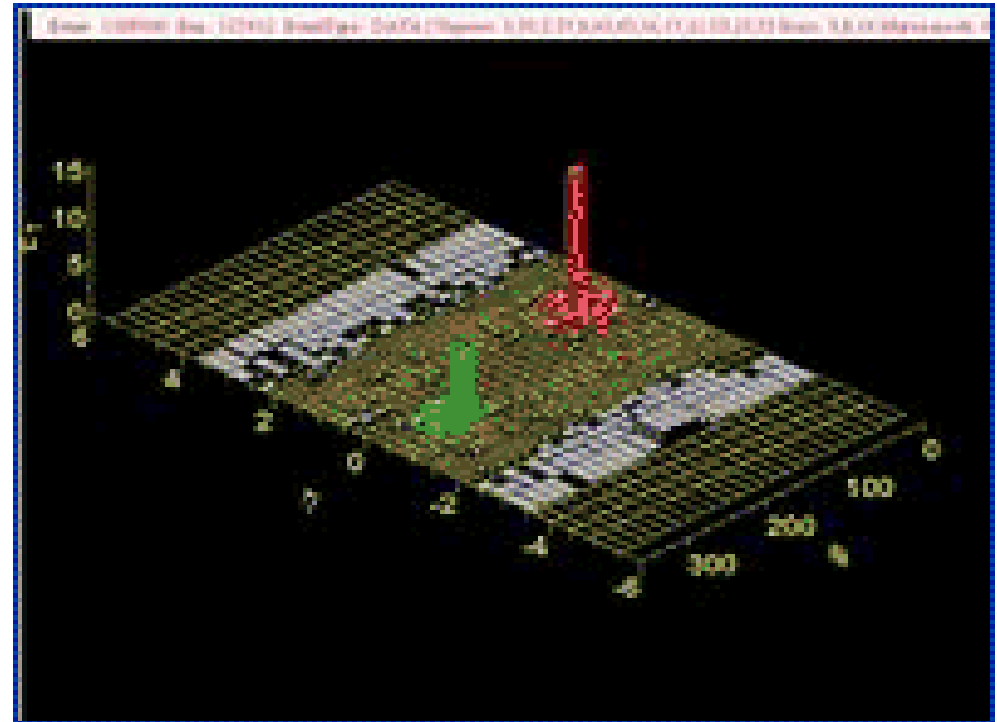
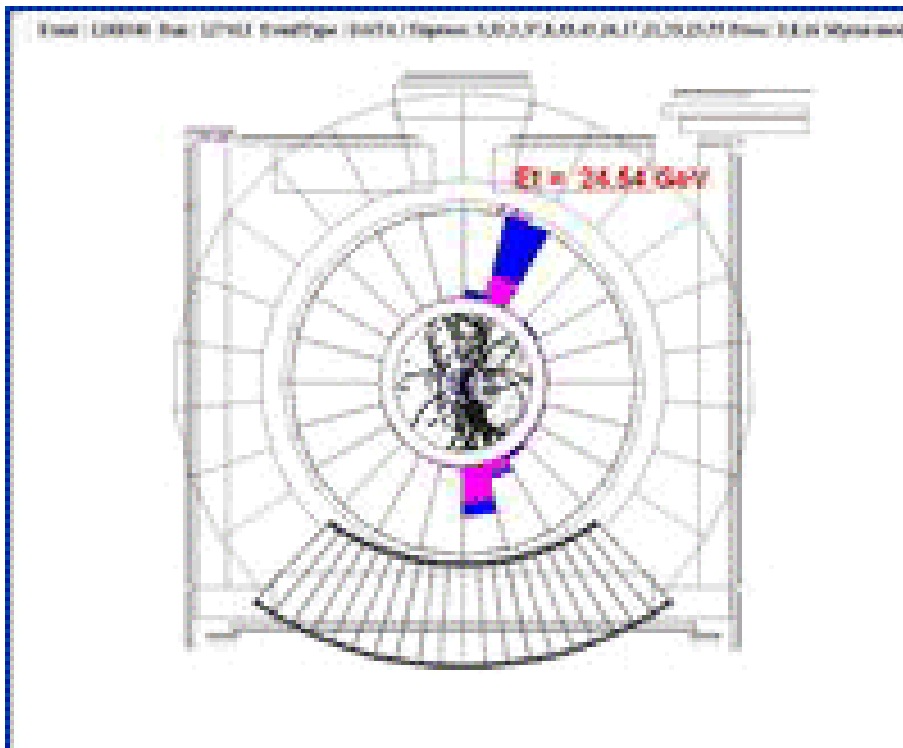


- Tracks and energies below a threshold not shown!

# Signatures: Dijet + Missing Energy Trigger

## ■ Two jets

- energy in EM and hadron
- many tracks



Alternate view of calorimeter

- $p_T$  not balanced
  - *undetected particles*

# Finding Top Quarks

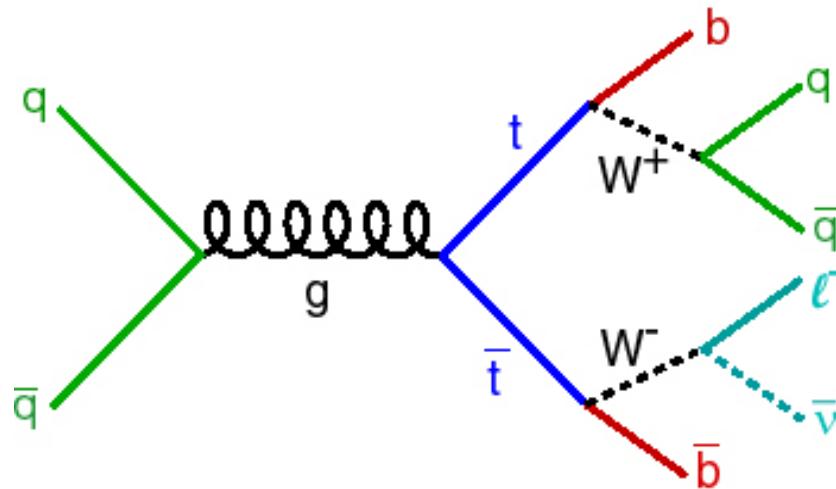
- Top quark discovered at CDF and DØ in 1995
- Need to identify top pair production:

$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$$

$$\text{Br}(t \rightarrow bW^+) \approx 100\%$$

$$\text{Br}(W \rightarrow qq) \approx 70\%$$

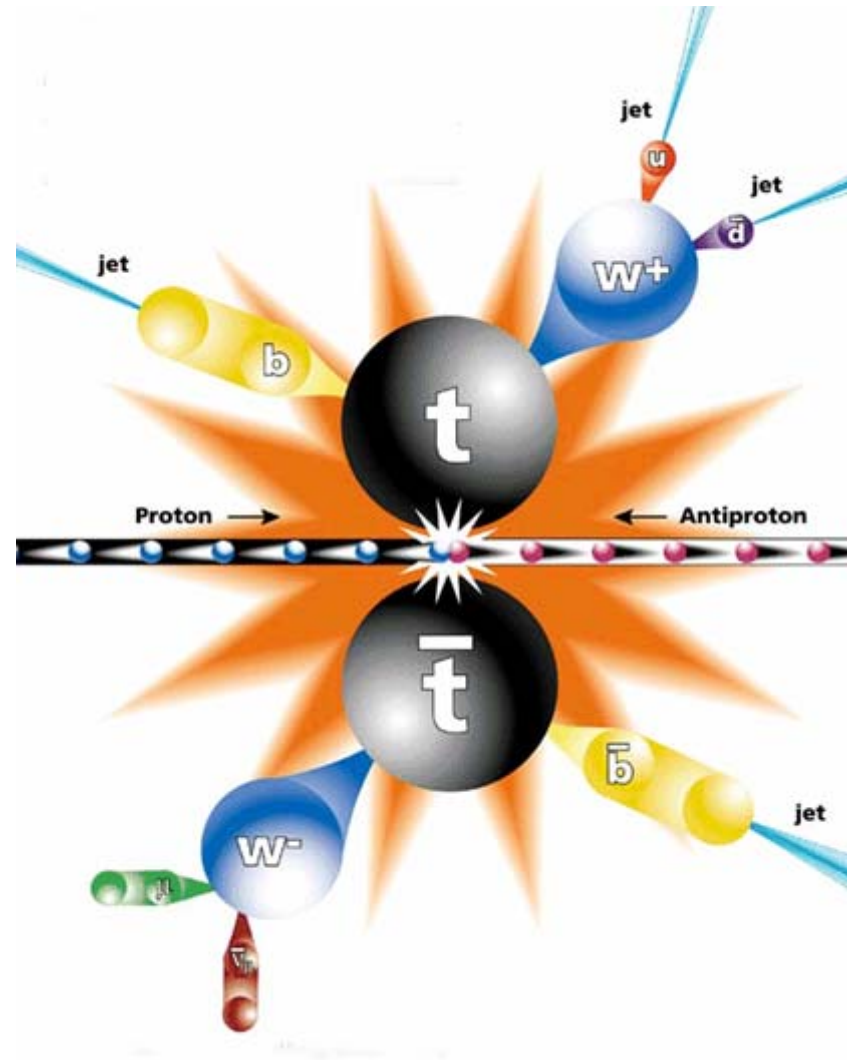
$$\text{Br}(W \rightarrow l\nu) \approx 10\% \text{ per lepton}$$



- Semileptonic channel
    - $l$  is electron or muon
    - easy to identify
    - only one neutrino
    - $q$  is a “light jet” from a u,d,s quark.
- NB may be higher order effects*

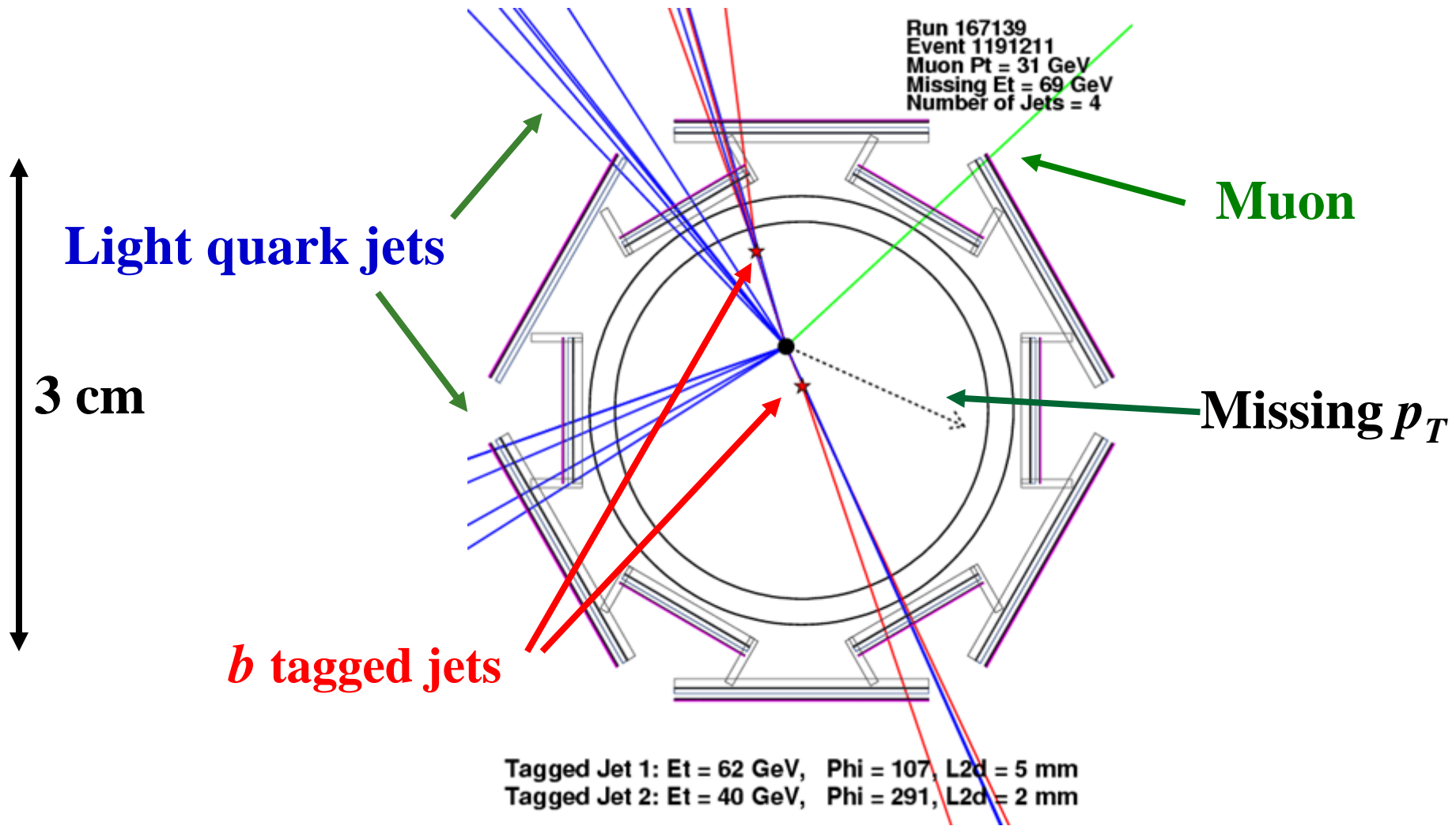
# Top Pair Production

- Electron or muon 20% of the time
- Signature:
  - 2 light quark jets
  - 2 bottom jets
  - One electron or muon
  - Missing transverse momentum (because of the neutrino)
- Extras:
  - Underlying event
  - Higher order processes
  - Multiple interactions





# Top Event



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Next Time...

# **Finding the Higgs and writing your first paper**