

# **Collider Physics at Fermilab**

**Accelerators**

**Detectors**

**MSU's involvement**

**W and top quark production**

# Particle Accelerators

**First, radioactive sources, then cosmic rays - both difficult, rare, and uncontrolled as “beams”**

- Rather, rely on electromagnetism to accelerate charged particles and to bend them where they are to go...

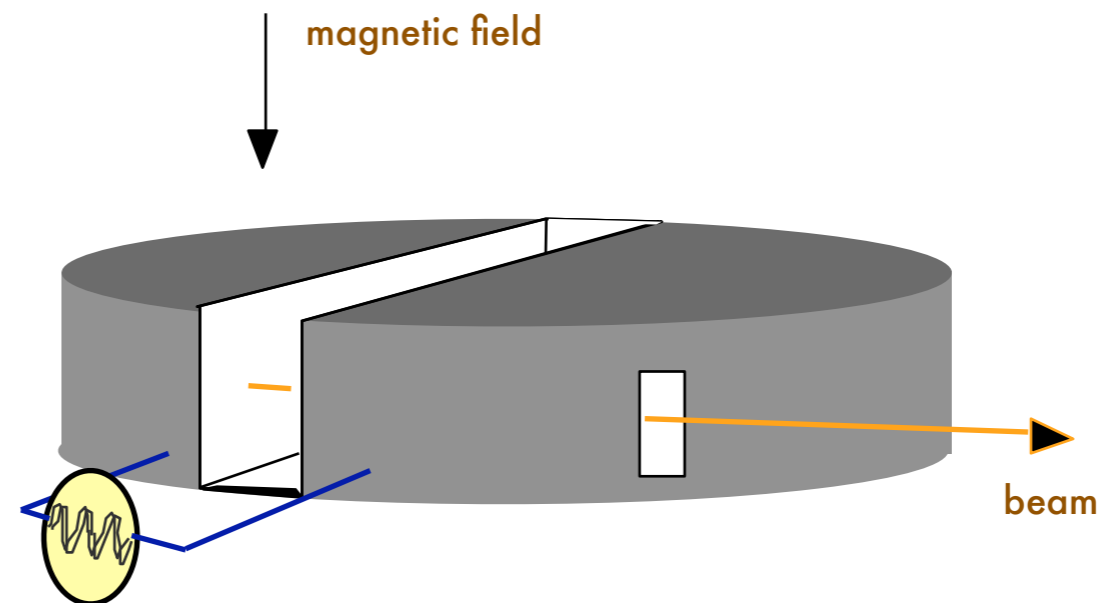
*electric fields accelerate*

*magnetic fields bend*

a television set is a little particle accelerator

- Artificial beams were first produced in the late 1940's in the form of cyclotrons

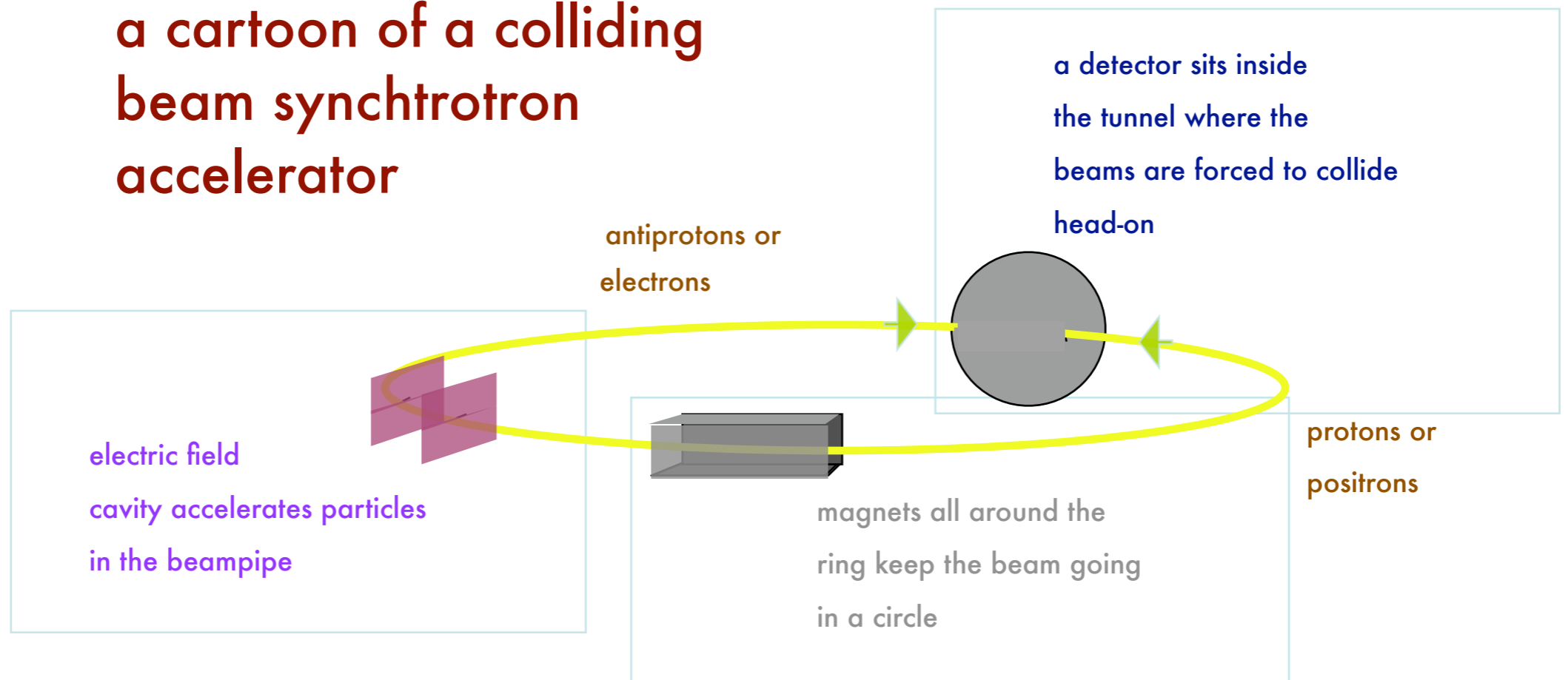
now, these accelerators are used  
for nuclear physics research



The best example in the world is the National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory here on campus

- Higher energies and particle fluxes required a different approach, the synchrotron  
*much higher energies are possible*

## a cartoon of a colliding beam synchrotron accelerator



## what is Fermilab?

it's many things to me...

***it's a dedicated scientific community***

made up of:

- 1200 physicists, engineers, and staff
- >1000 faculty, post docs, and students
- from > 80 US & ~20 foreign institutions

***it's an amazing scientific instrument***

consisting of:

- A time machine
- A particle accelerator for antirotating beams of protons and antiprotons
- hand-made vehicles to explore the current and the very early universe
- A source of high energy/intensity beams of kaons and neutrinos

***it's a beautiful single-purpose DOE national lab***

located at:

- real space: 60 mi west of Chicago



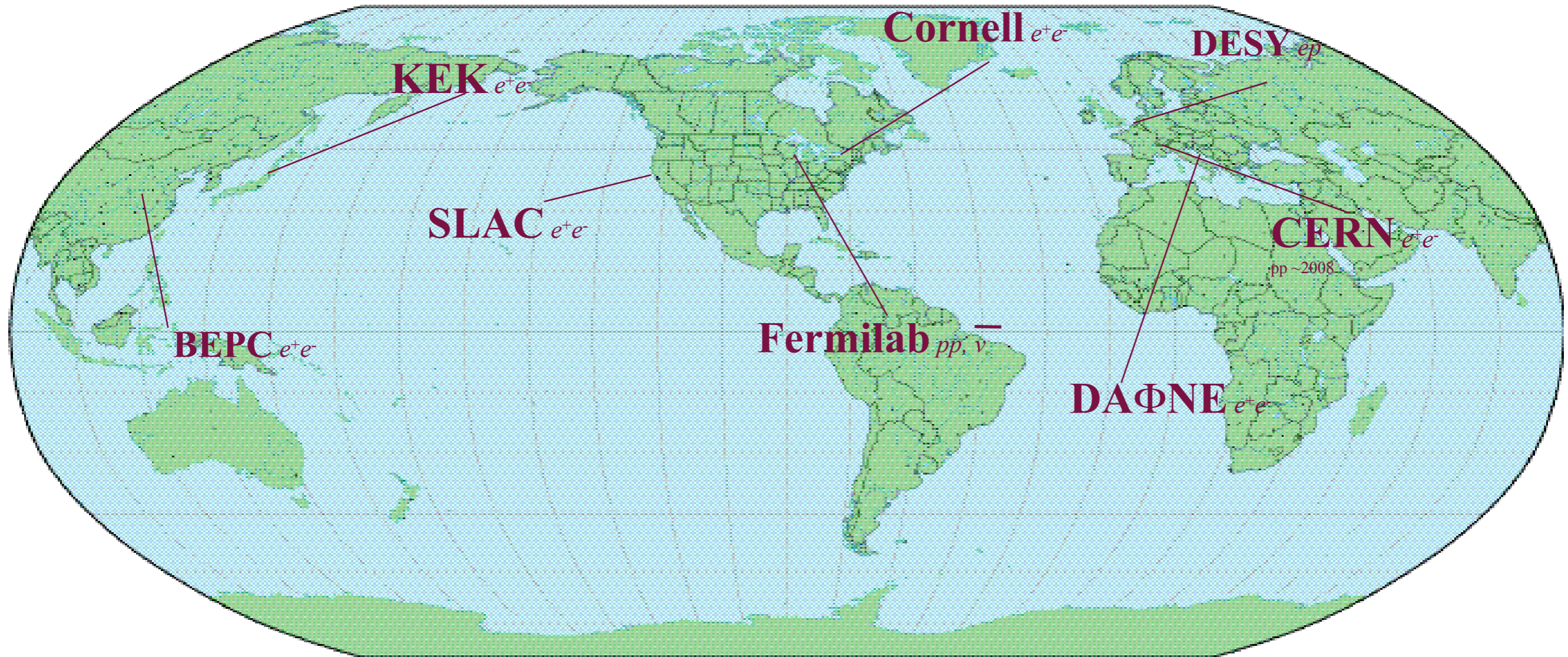
**a truly inspiring place to work**



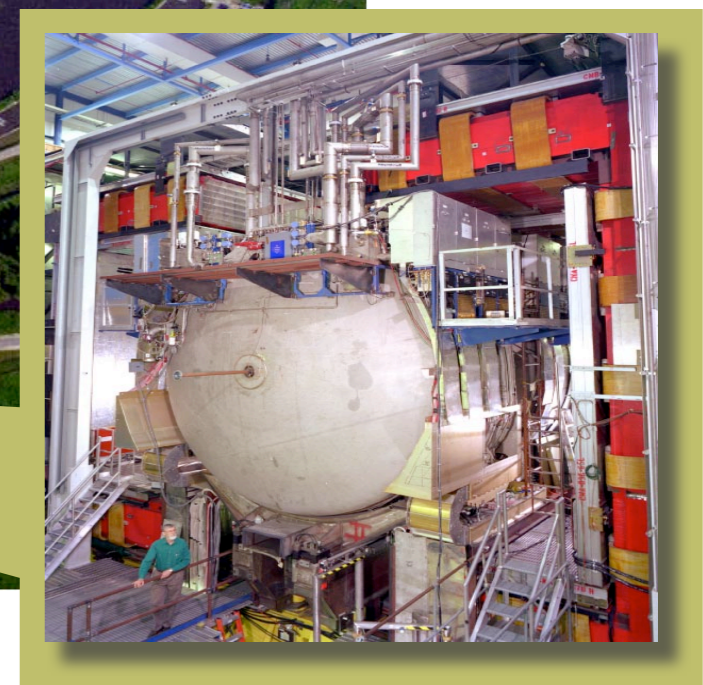
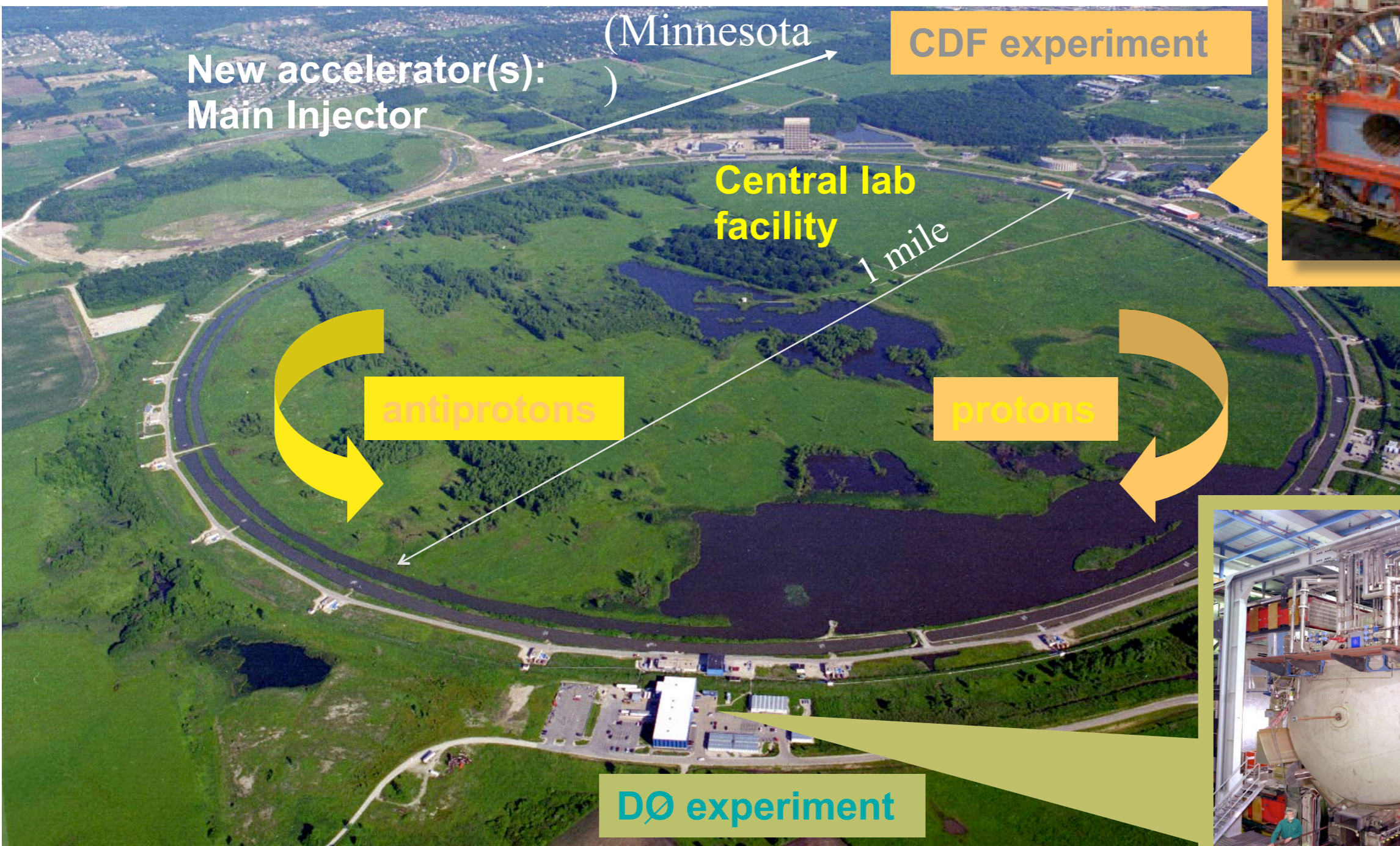
Wilson Hall

designed by the first director, Robert Wilson

# HEP labs around the world, today.



# Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory

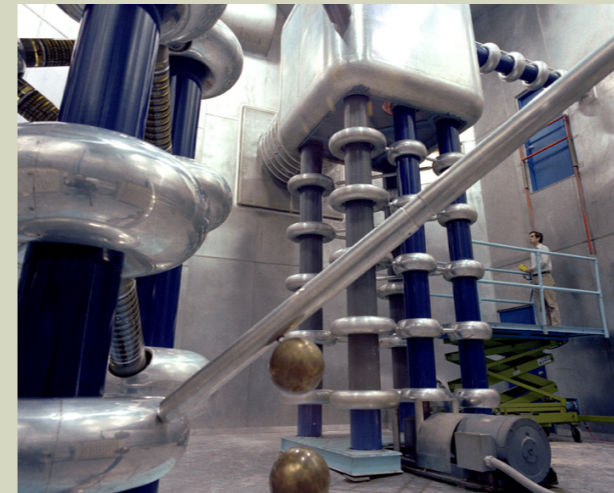


# fermilab's back yard



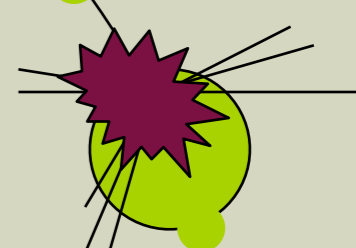
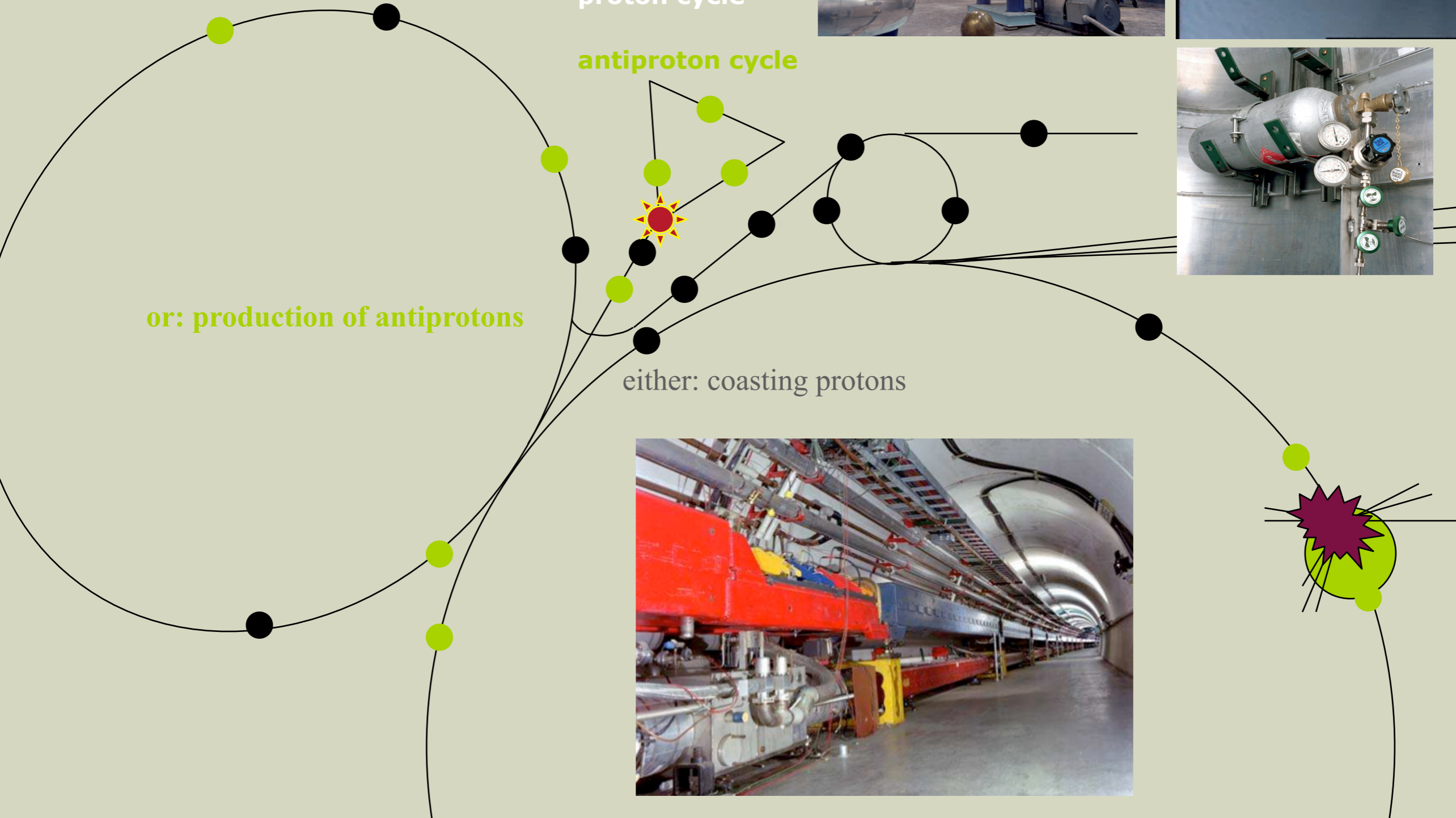


# Accelerator Complex - the time machine



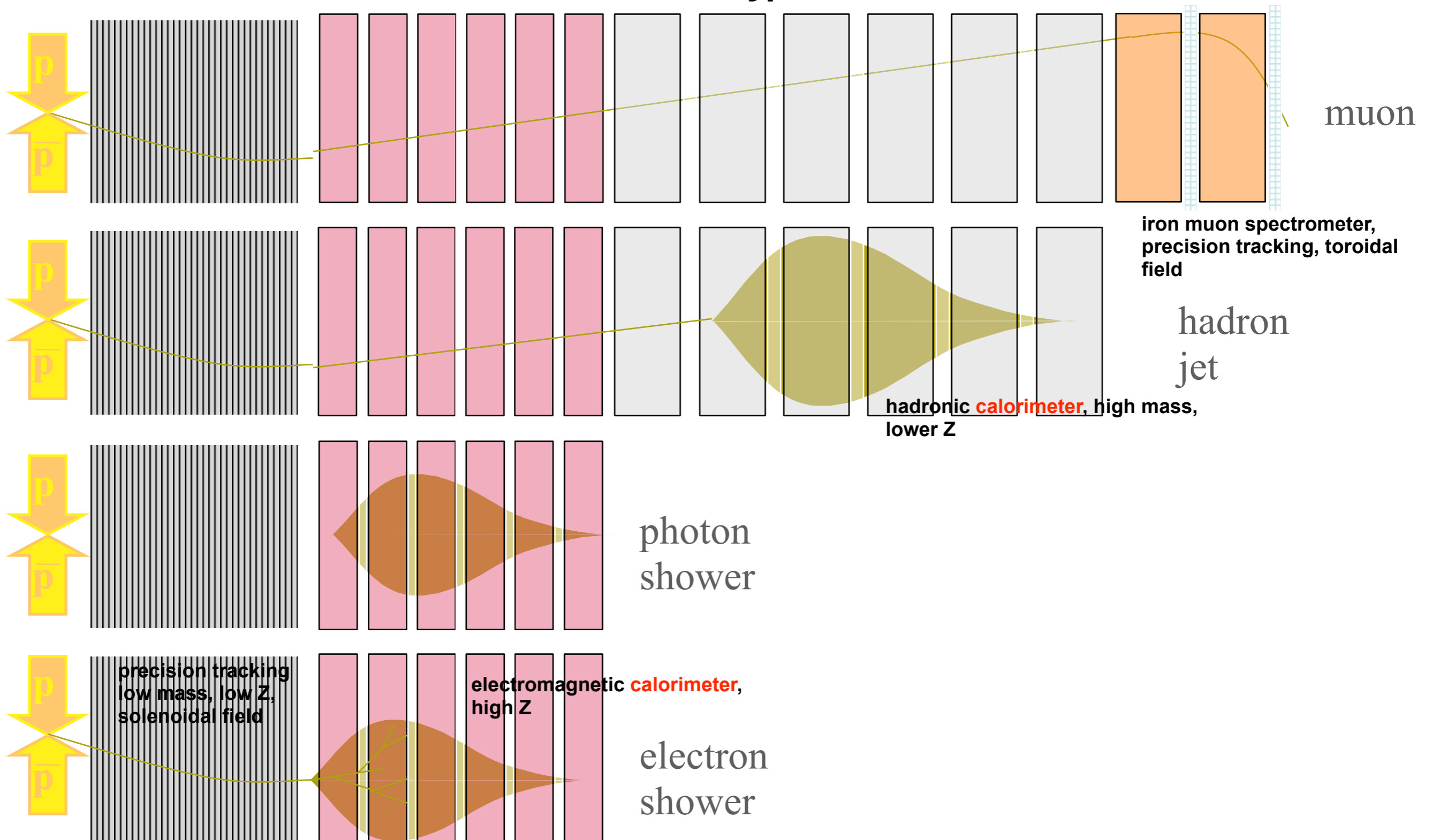
proton cycle

antiproton cycle



# how do we detect particles?

– by the electromagnetic and strong interaction fingerprints that they leave behind in a sandwich of detector types:



# Generic colliding beam detector—the vehicles

## Muon tracking

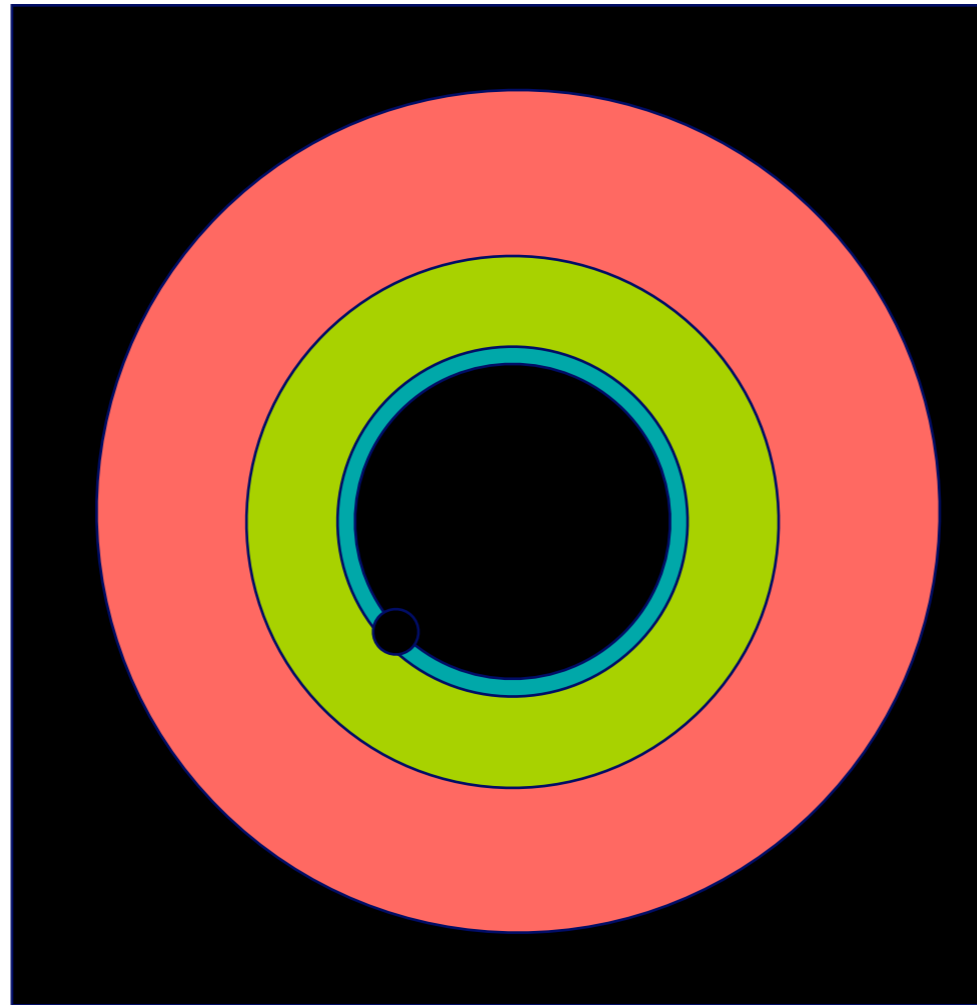
*Toroidal field*

*Iron shield*

## Charged particle tracking

*Solenoidal field*

*Silicon strips & disks*



## Hadronic calorimetry

*Protons, neutrons, pions, etc.*

## Electromagnetic calorimetry

*electrons and photons*

# The DØ Collaboration, est. 1984:

75 institutions, from 18 countries, 650 Ph.D.'s



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Cal. State U., Fresno  
Lawrence Berkeley Nat. Lab.  
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Northwestern U.  
IN Indiana U.  
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## The DØ Collaboration



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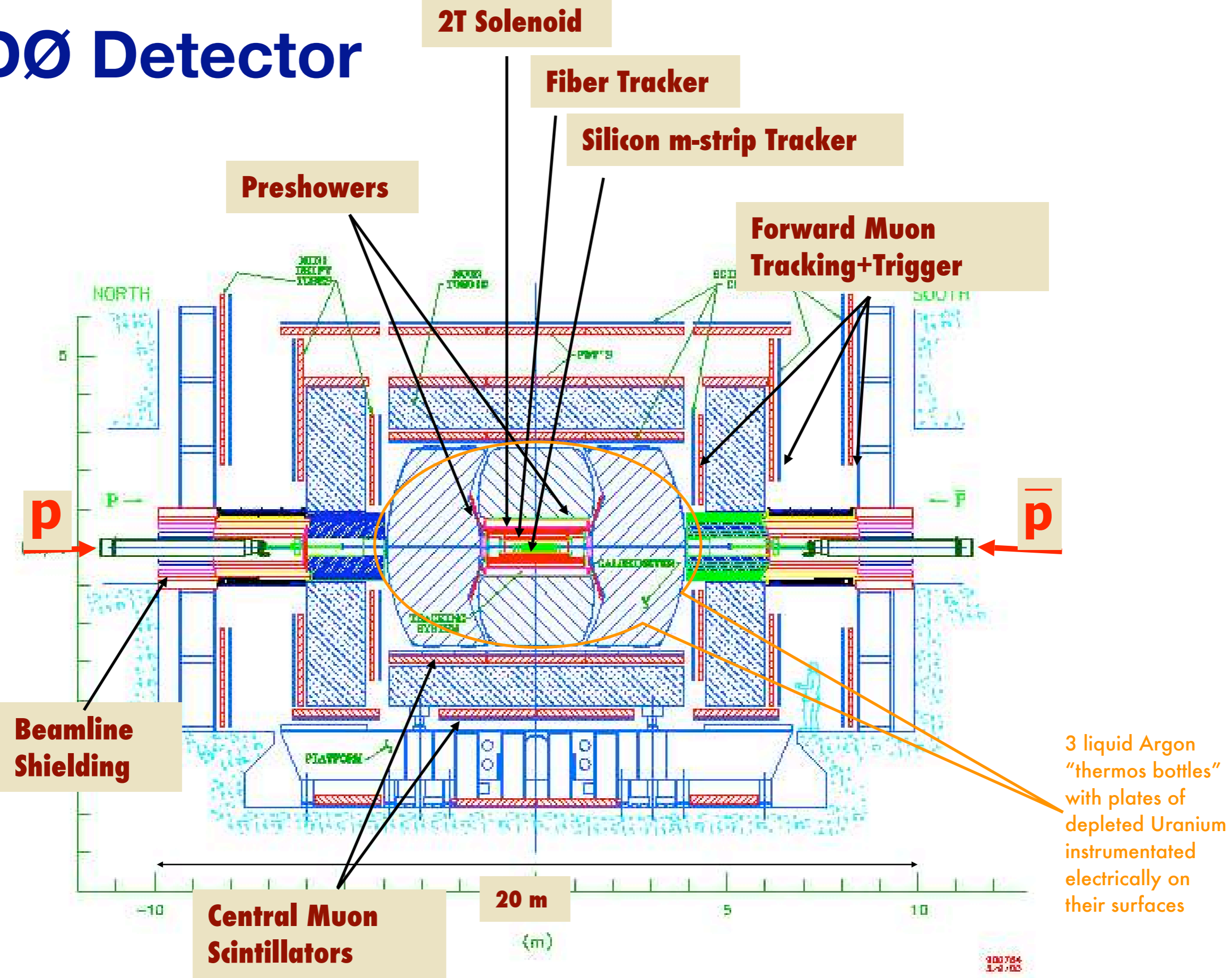


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Imperial College, London  
U. of Manchester



HCIP, Hochiminh City

# The DØ Detector



an arbitrary HEP detector:

Fiber Tracker: FNAL, Ecuador, Northern Illinois, Notre Dame, Michigan, Nebraska, Rochester, Stony Brook, BNL, Rice

Si Tracker: FNAL, NIKHEV, Marseille, Mexico, Fresno, Riverside, UIC, Kansas, Kansas State, Oklahoma, Washington

preshower: BNL, Stony Brook, UM

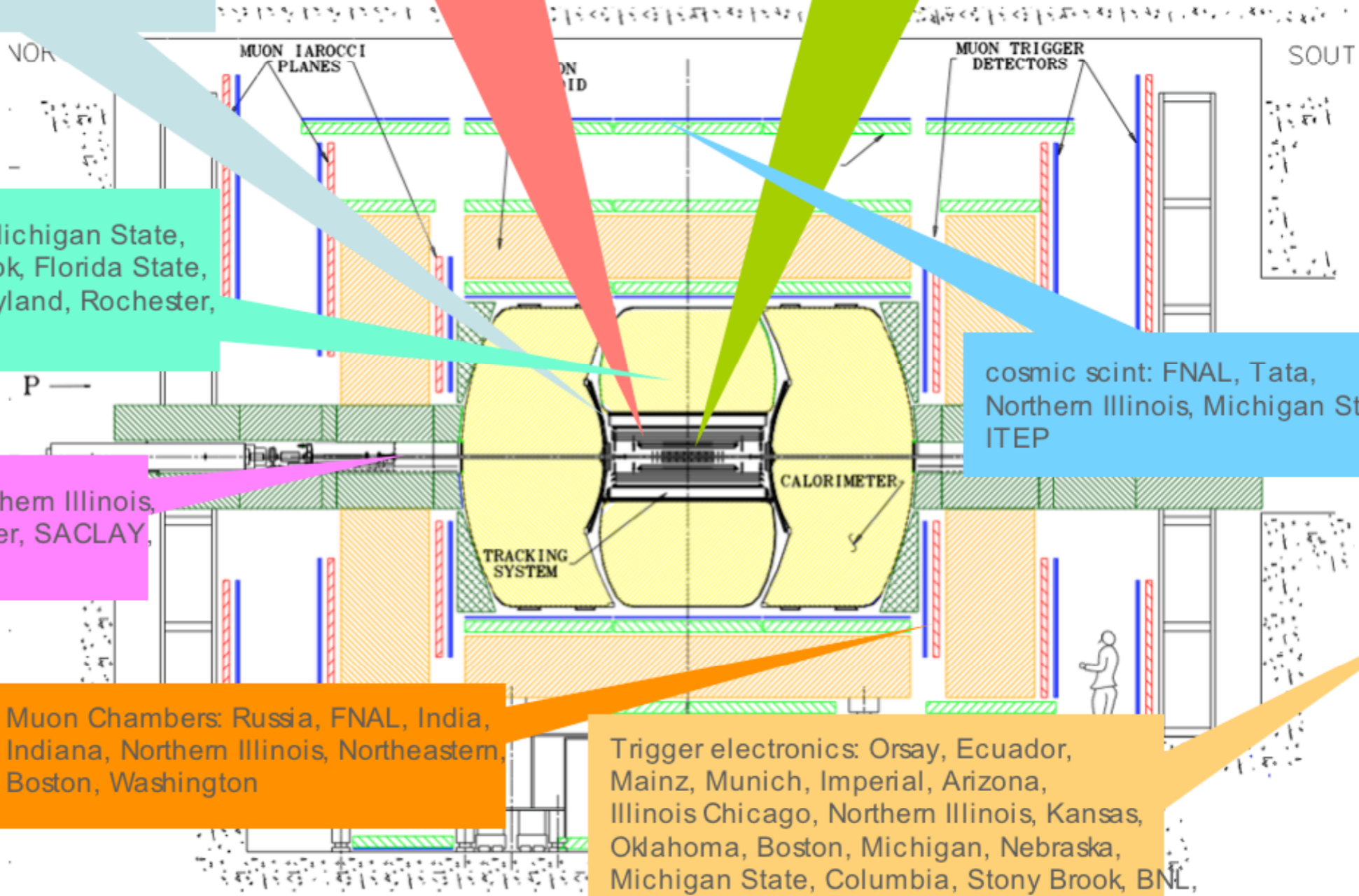
Calorimeter: FNAL, Michigan State, LBL, BNL, Stony Brook, Florida State, Northern Illinois, Maryland, Rochester, Louisiana Tech

cosmic scint: FNAL, Tata, Northern Illinois, Michigan State, ITEP

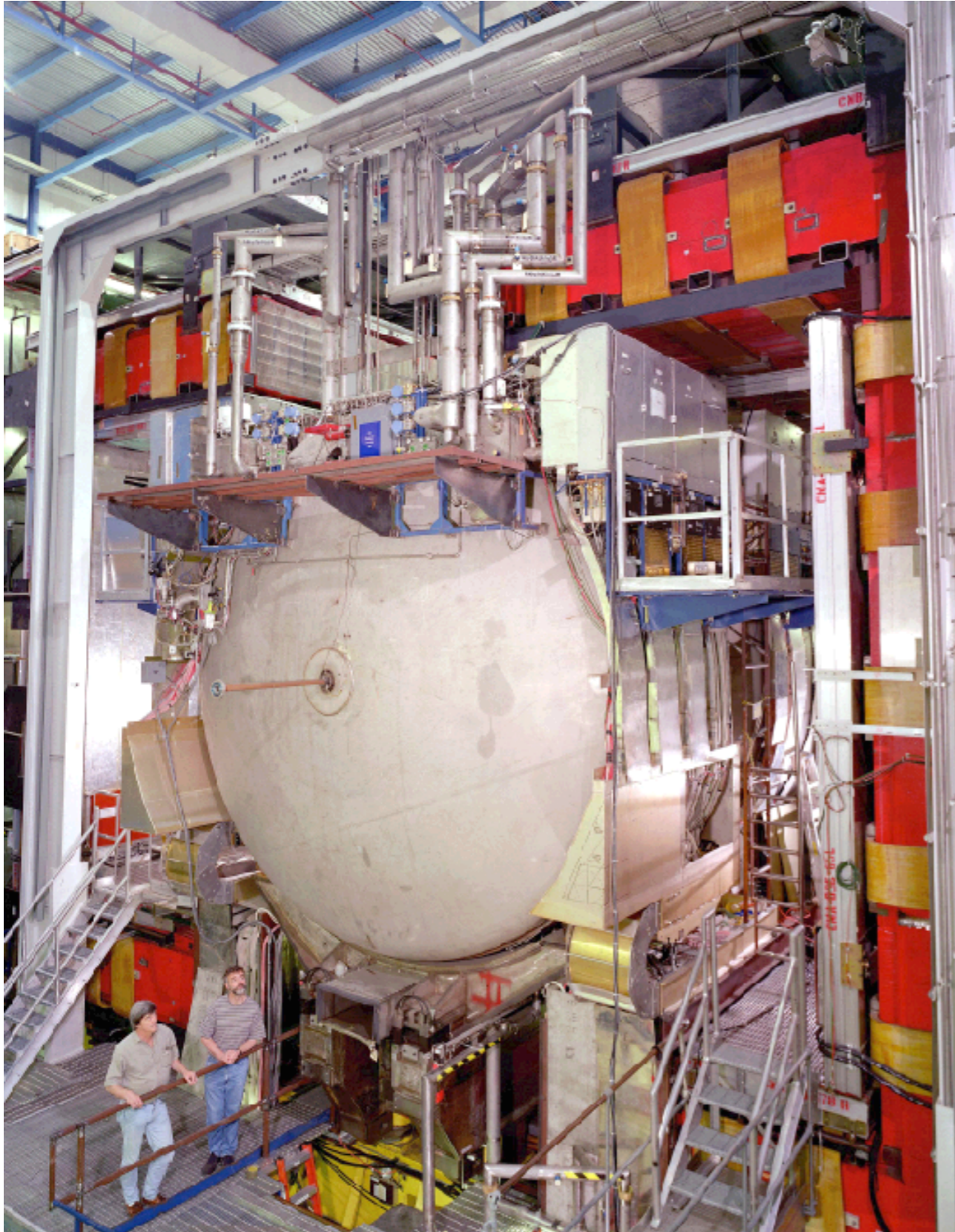
FPD: Brazil, Arlington, Northern Illinois, Czechoslovakia, Manchester, SACLAY, Los Andes

Muon Chambers: Russia, FNAL, India, Indiana, Northern Illinois, Northeastern, Boston, Washington

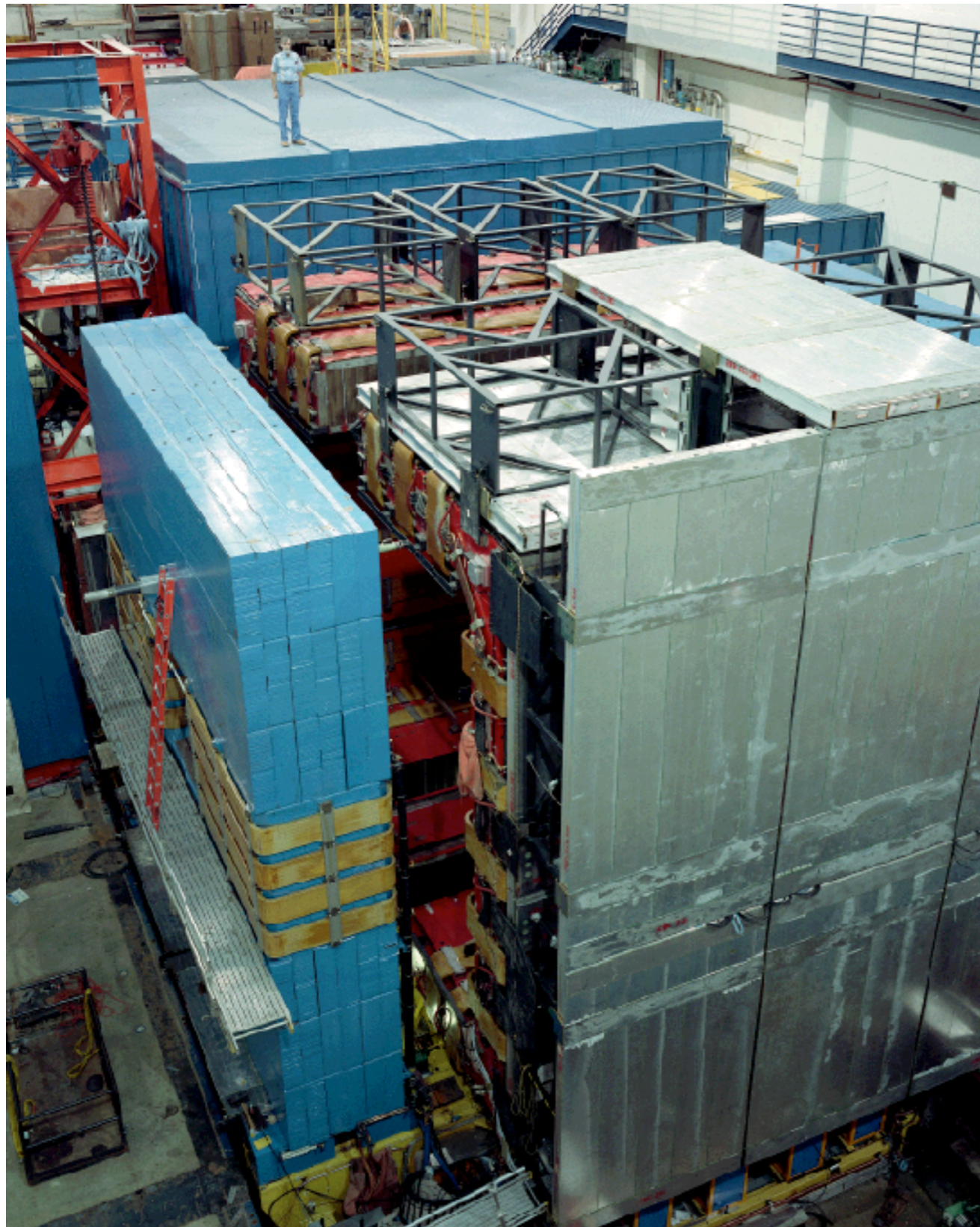
Trigger electronics: Orsay, Ecuador, Mainz, Munich, Imperial, Arizona, Illinois Chicago, Northern Illinois, Kansas, Oklahoma, Boston, Michigan, Nebraska, Michigan State, Columbia, Stony Brook, BNL, Brown, Virginia, Wisconsin, Michigan State



...inside



# the DØ detector

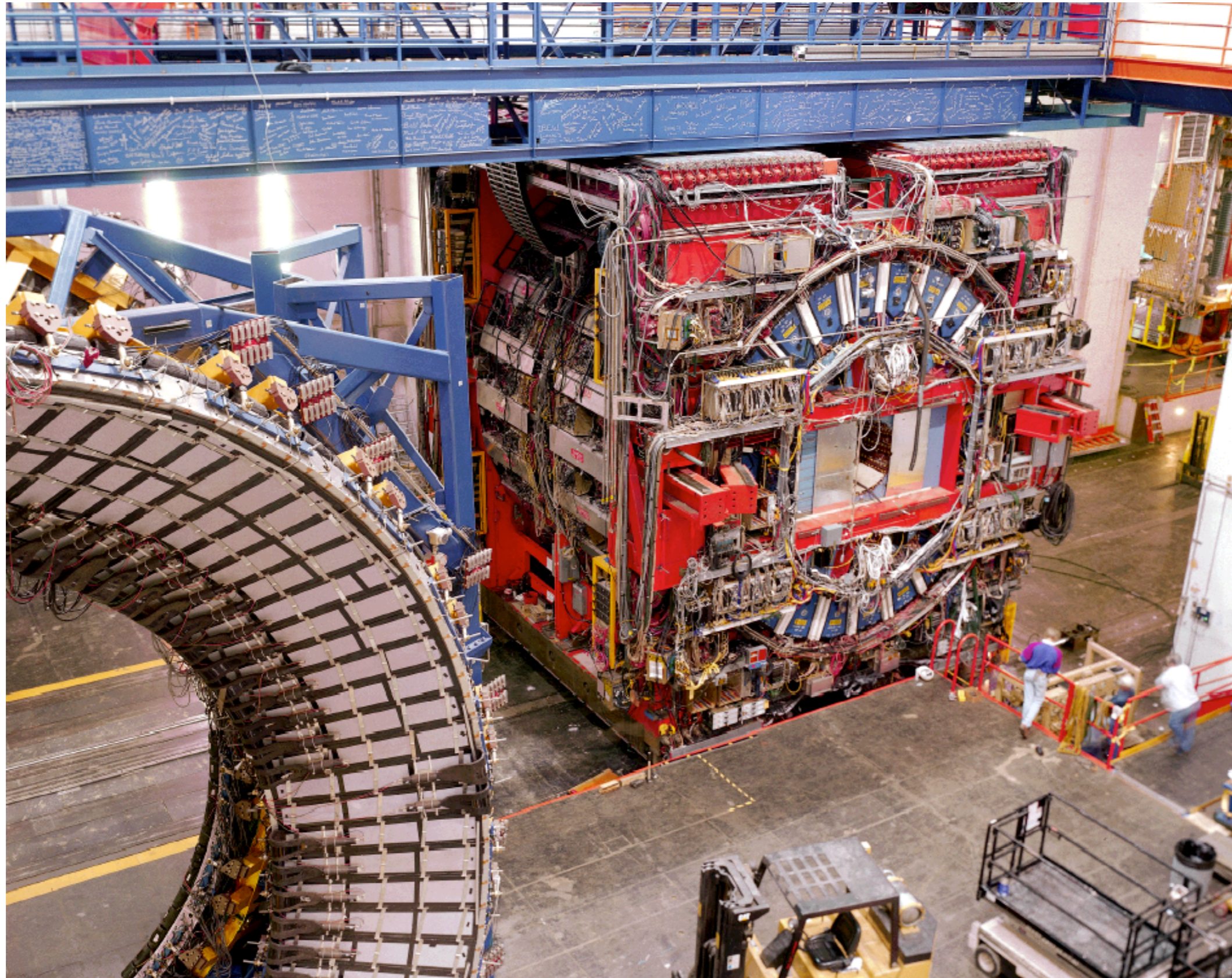








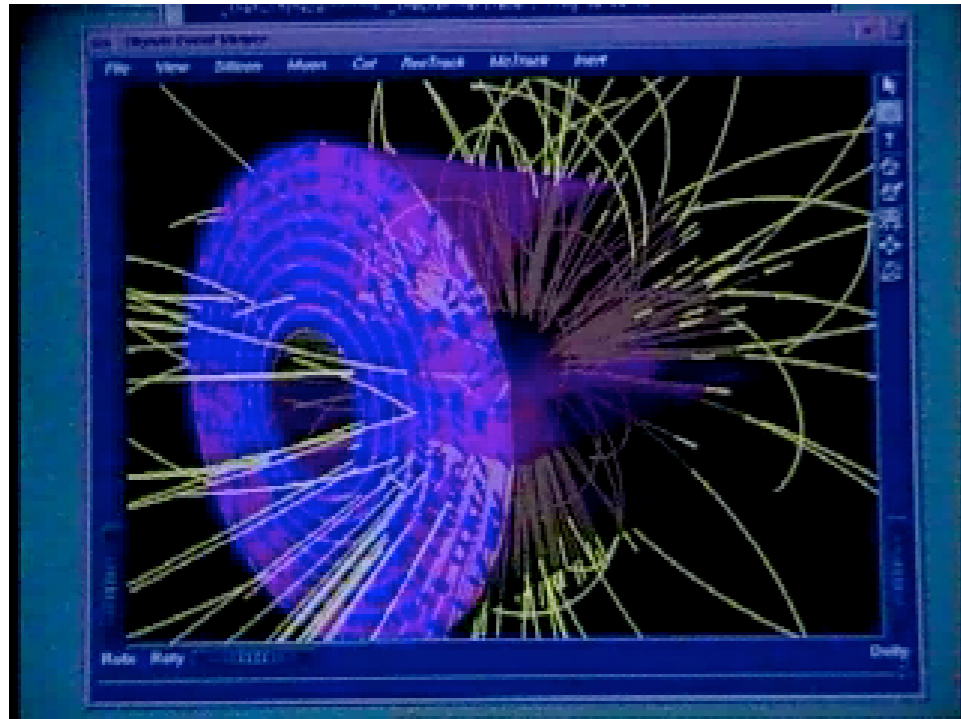
# the other detector...CDF



# accelerator delivers, detector reads, computers analyze:

Every 396 ns... $396 \times 10^{-9}$  s

- the proton & anti proton beams are brought close together inside the detectors  
*there, the actual interaction rate is 7.5MHz,  $7.5 \times 10^6$  interactions per second  
each event record is ~250kB, so this would be a rate of 1.9TB/s - impossible*



*The experiment is outfitted with near-real time electronics, designed and produced here in our group*

- which analyzes what's happening in each collision  
*reading the information from ~500,000 electronic channels*
- picks out those events which appear to match (much debated) physics priorities  
*and processes 6kHz of these potentially interesting data to a series of dedicated, home-built processors (again, designed and built at MSU)*
- Eventually, the information is reduced, combined, filtered to an output stream of 50Hz, at 250kB per event

*These data are then processed on a dedicated computer farm of ~500 linux Pentium processors of the ~2GHz class*

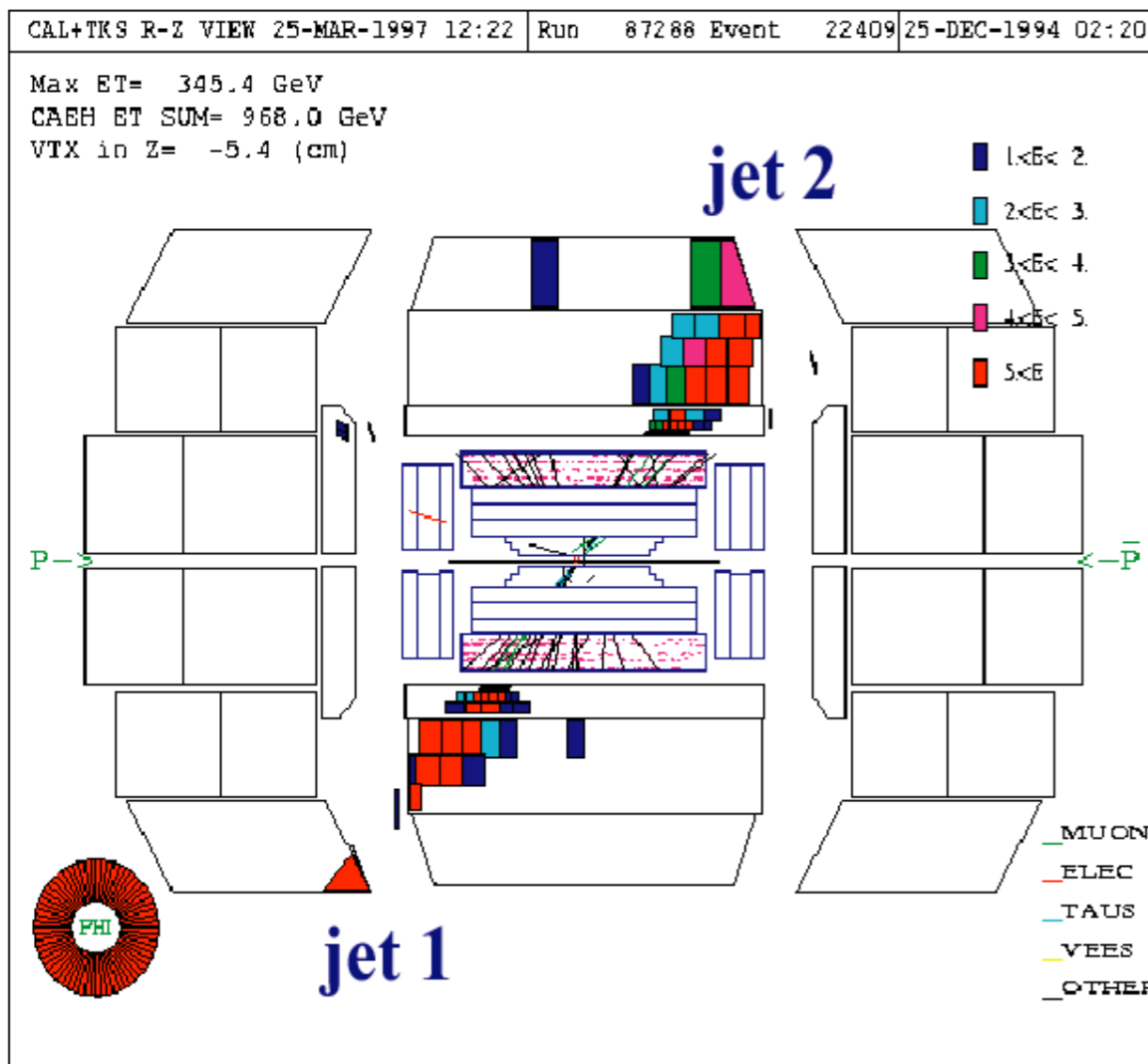
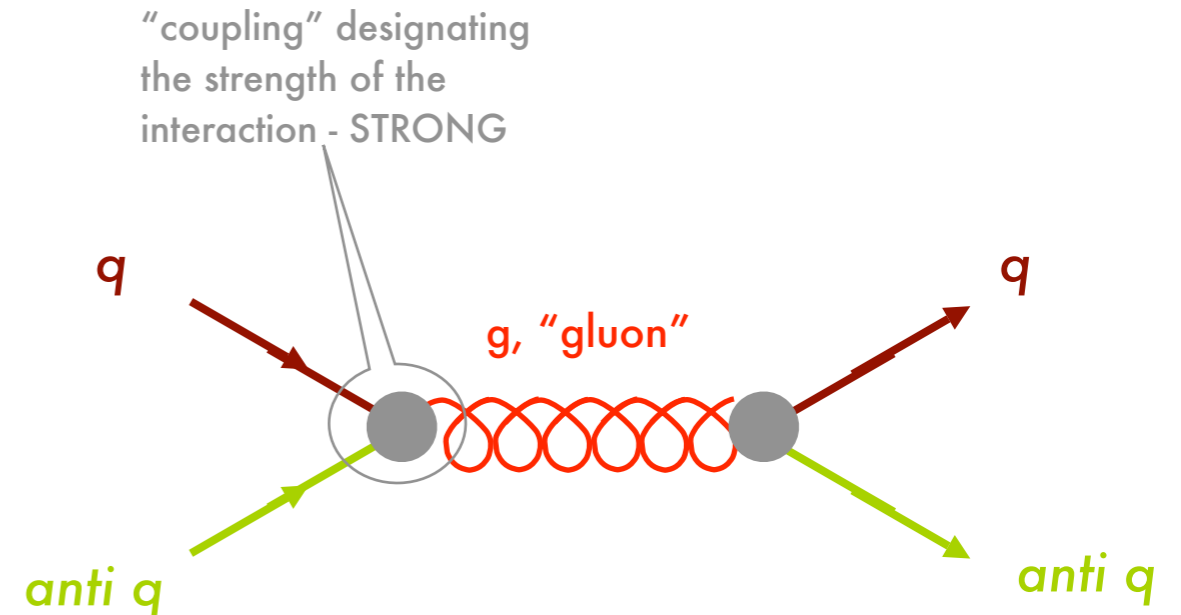
*The overall data load of the experiment will be in the 5-8 PB (petabyte  $10^{15}$  B... information*

- in CD's: the height of ~100 Sears Towers
- processed and analyzed at institutions on 4 continents in a ~2000 processor computational grid

# most violent elementary particle collision produced on earth

## Rutherford Scattering of one quark in the proton off of another quark from the antiproton

with the exchange of a "gluon" a photon-like particle that transmits only the STRONG force.



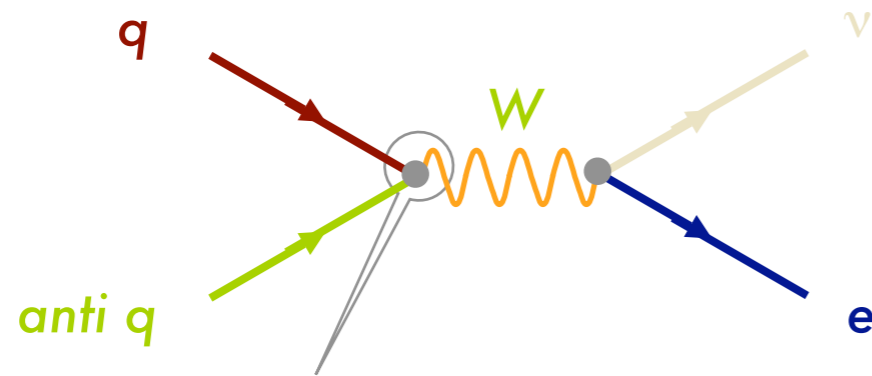
It required that the quarks annihilated within  $10^{-19}$  m of one another or 1/10,000 the size of a proton

The energetics of this event is consistent with interactions in the early universe  $\sim 10^{-20}$  s after the big bang

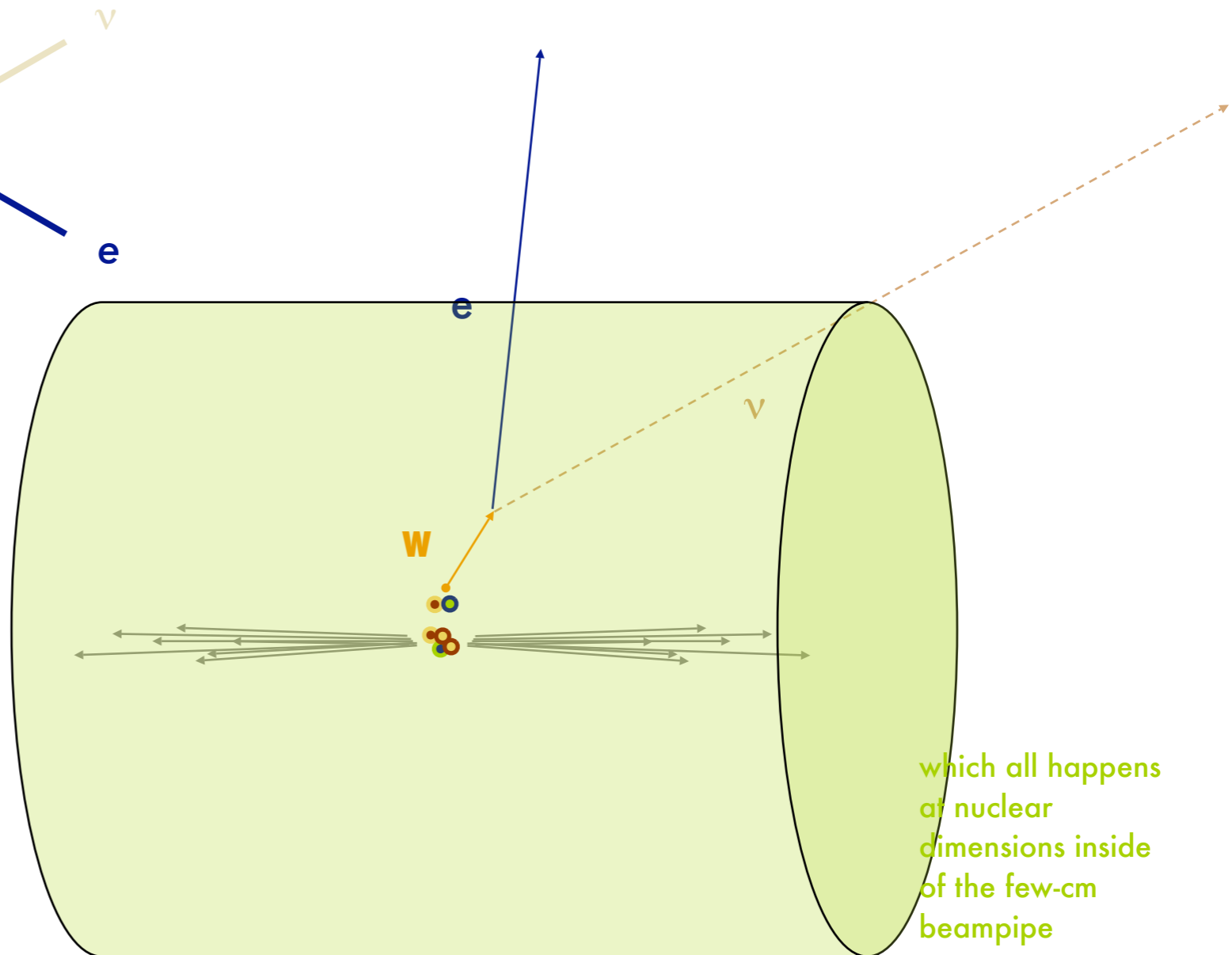
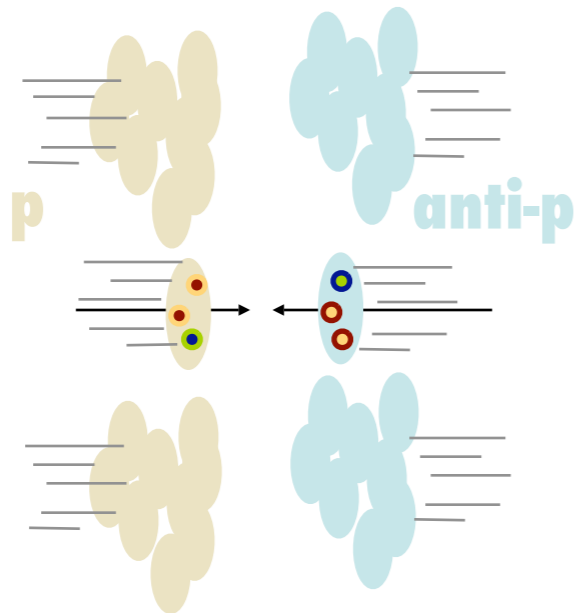
# 2 events: W boson production & detection

**p + anti p** → **W** + uninteresting stuff

with **W** → **e + ν**



"coupling" designating the strength of the interaction - WEAK



which all happens at nuclear dimensions inside of the few-cm beampipe

most go by without interacting

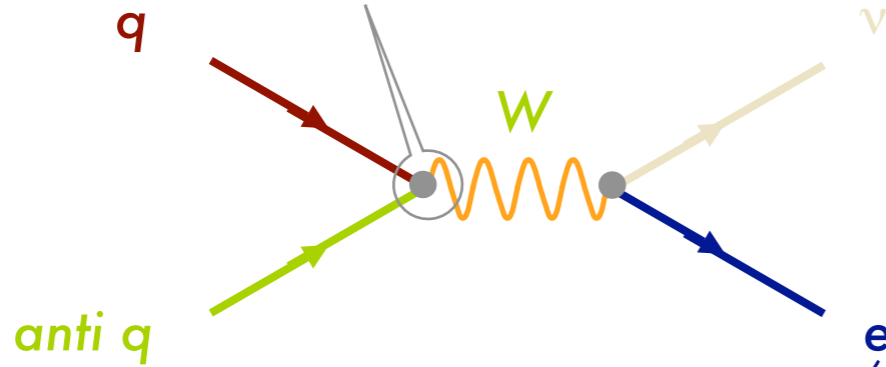
occasionally, a quark from the p and a quark from the anti-p are at particularly large momentum and annihilate, head-on with one another...

The other quarks interact, but with much lower initial momenta

every few hundred nanoseconds -  $10^{12}$  or so protons and antiprotons encounter one another

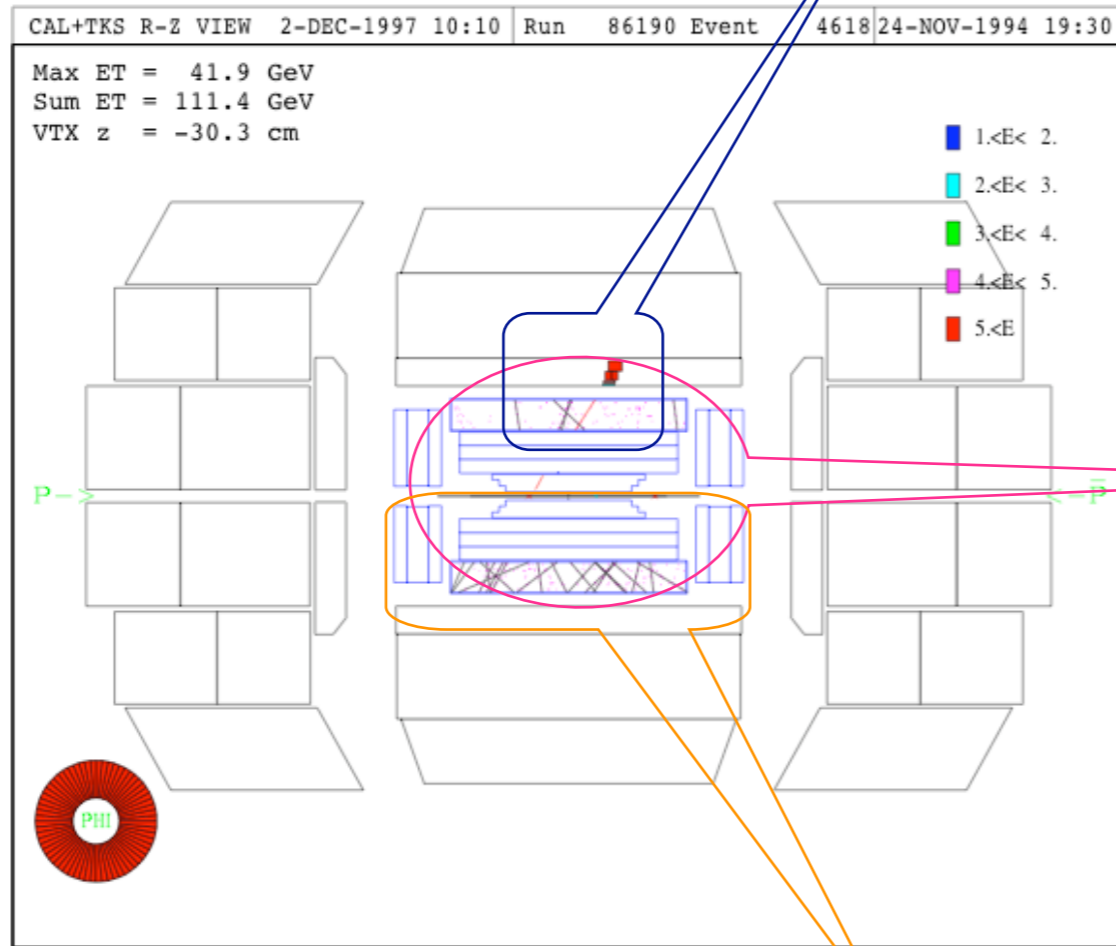
# what the detector “sees”

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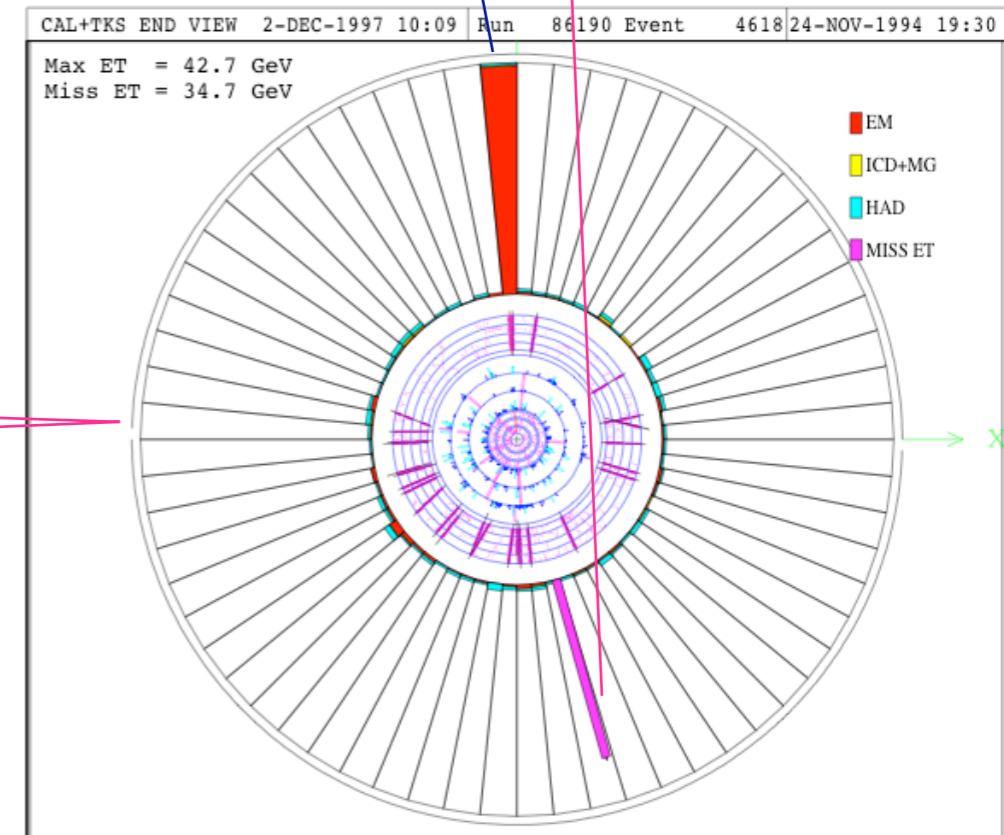


the computer’s calculation of the balancing momentum - presumed to be the neutrino’s momentum

the length of this bar is proportional to the amount of energy deposited...it’s a measured quantity

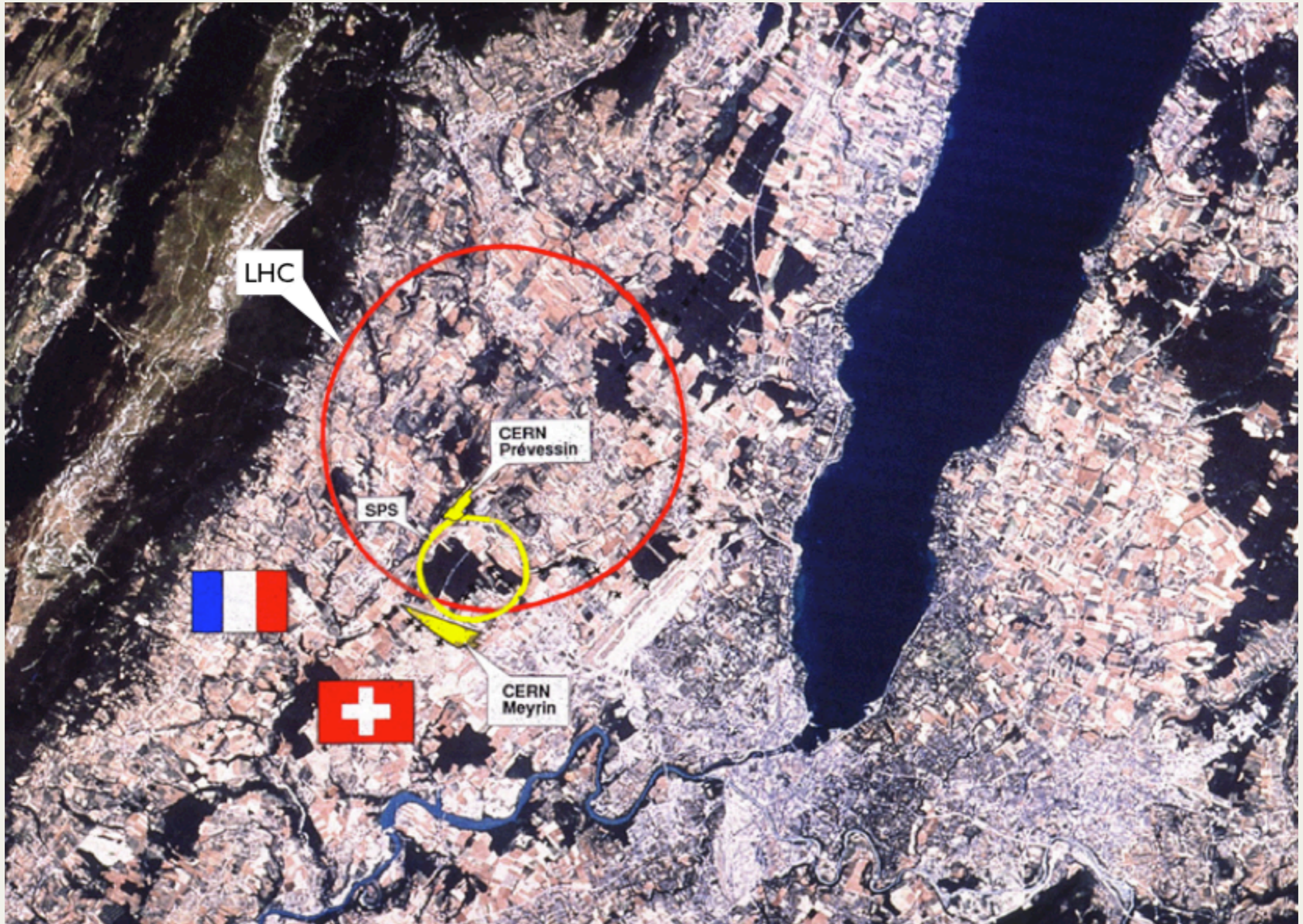


side view



end view

nothing counterbalancing momentum on the other side...suggest the missing neutrino

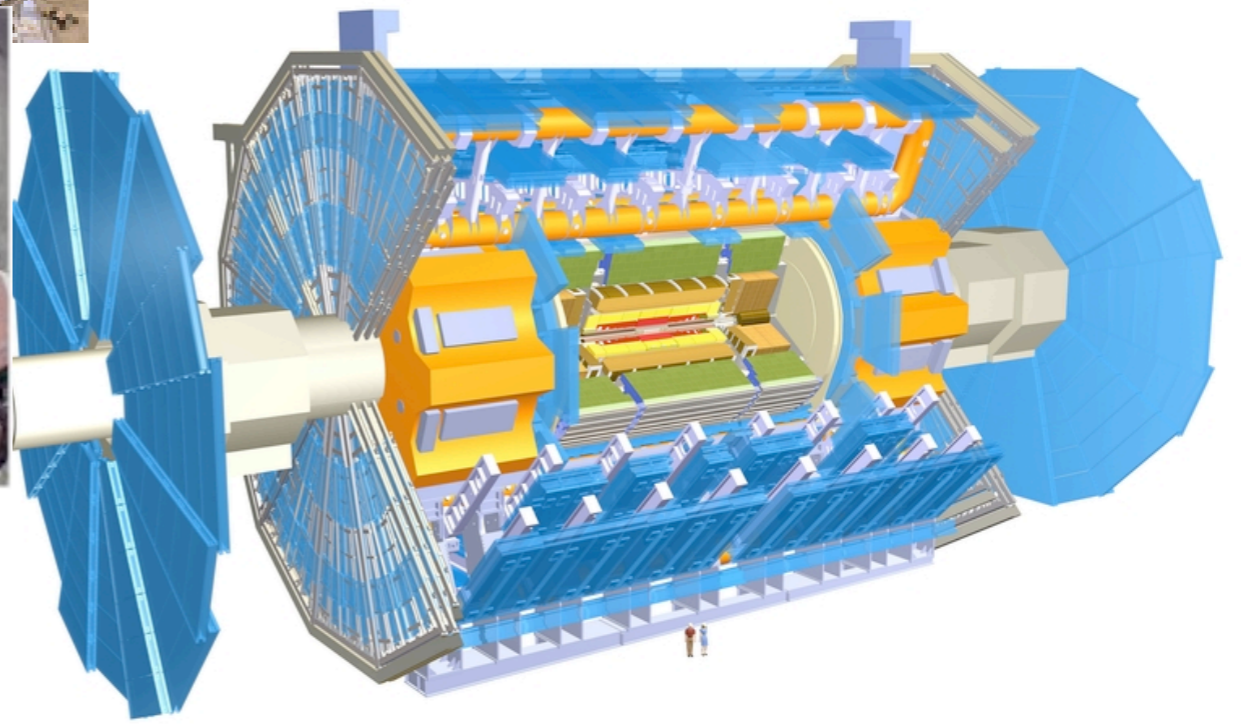
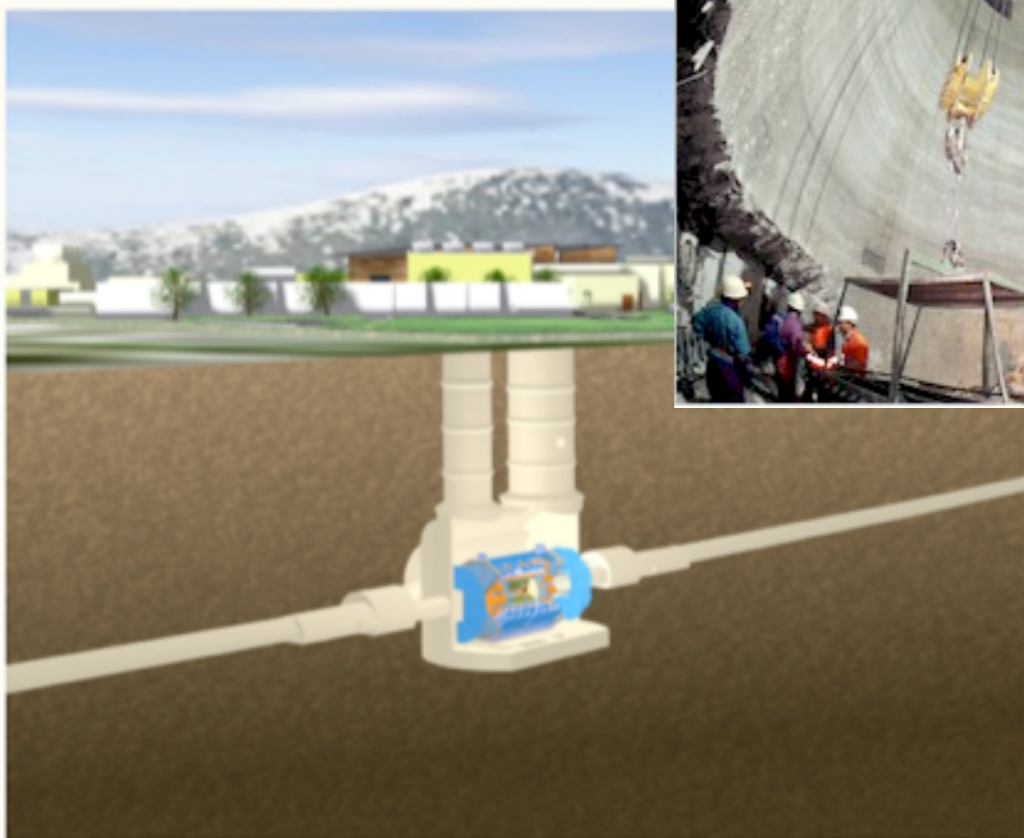
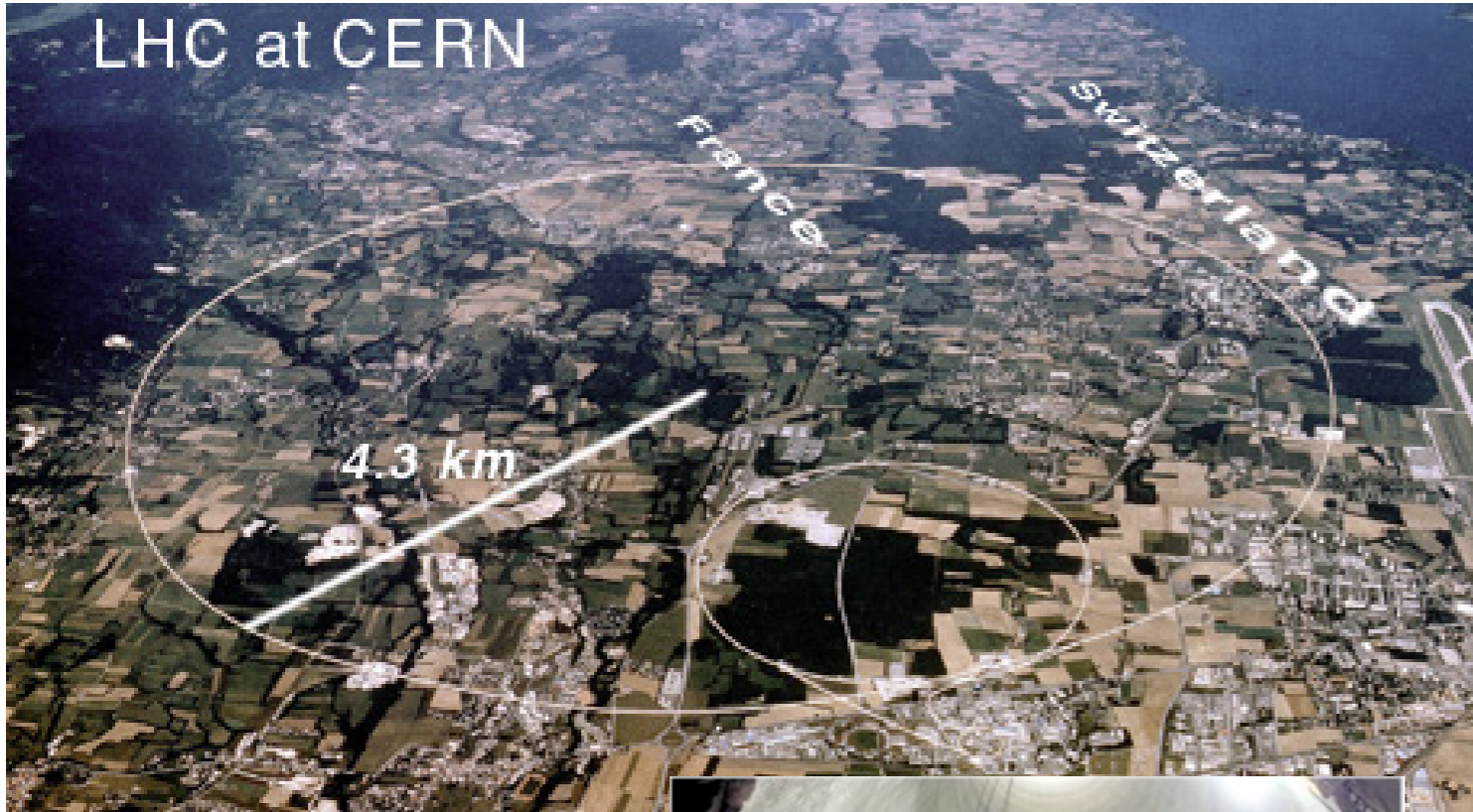




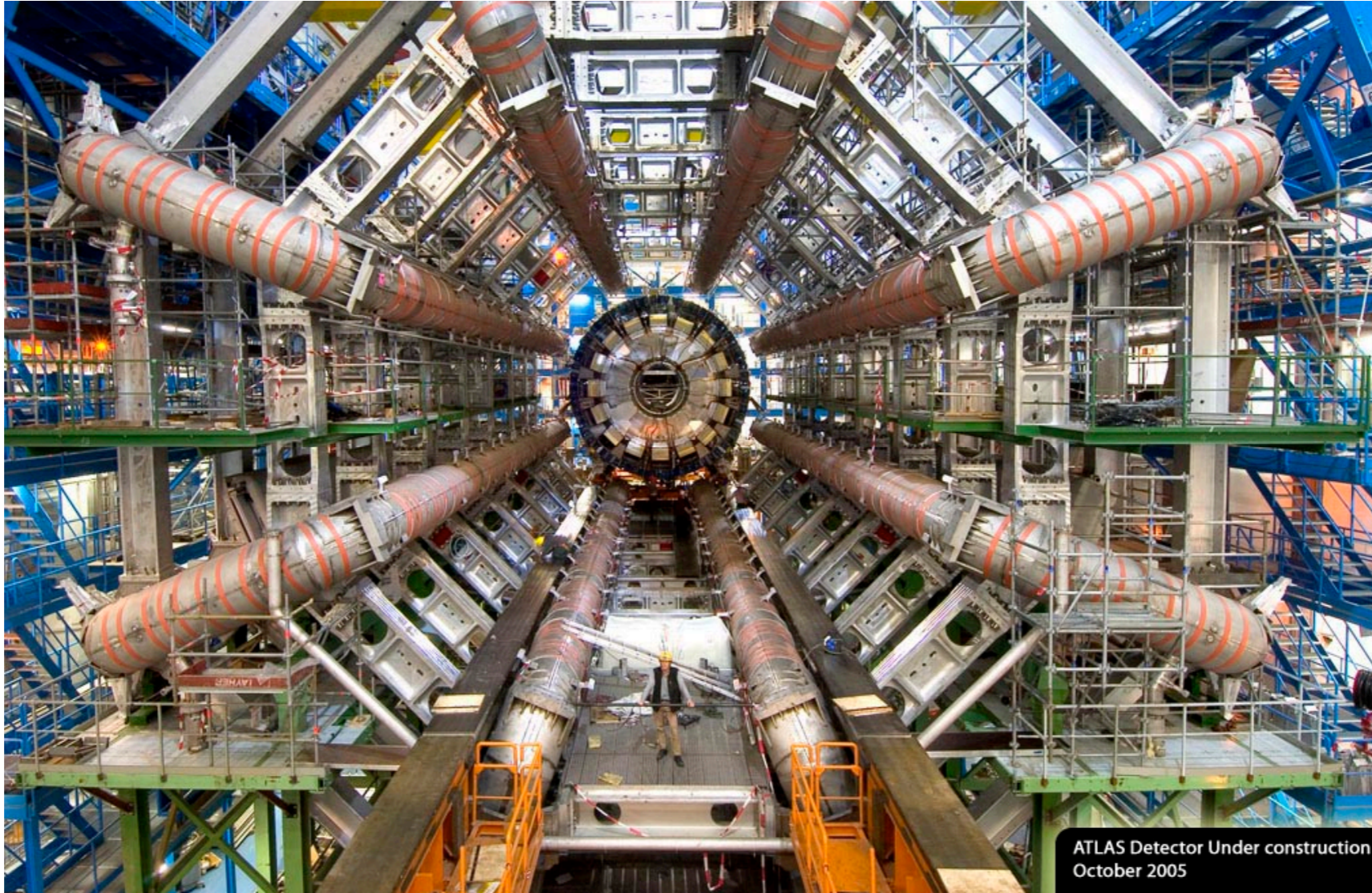
# The next generation is in Europe...~2008

## The "Atlas Experiment"

LHC at CERN

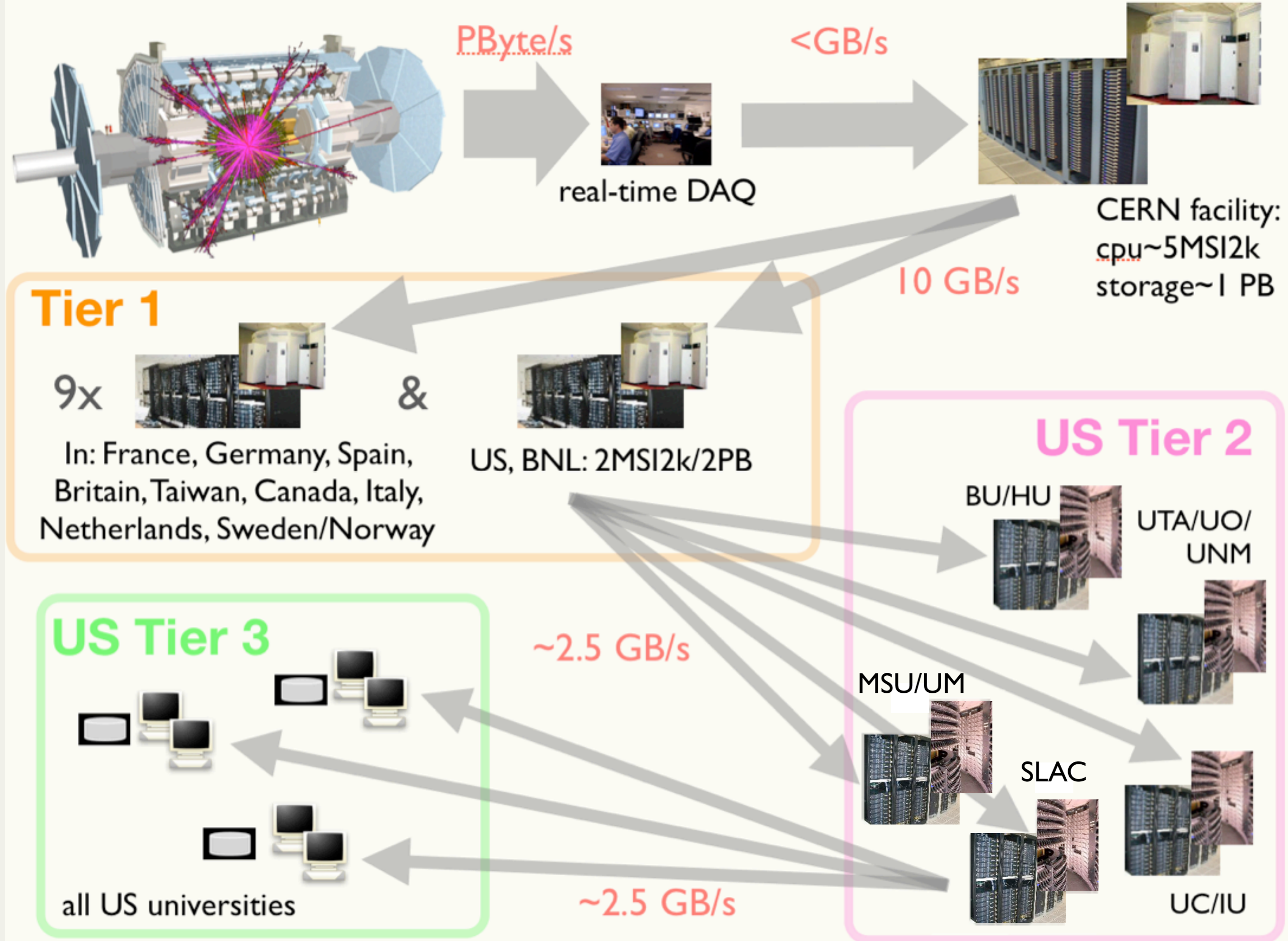


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|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| <i>Diameter</i>                      | <b>25 m</b>      |
| <i>Barrel toroid length</i>          | <b>26 m</b>      |
| <i>End-cap end-wall chamber span</i> | <b>46 m</b>      |
| <i>Overall weight</i>                | <b>7000 Tons</b> |

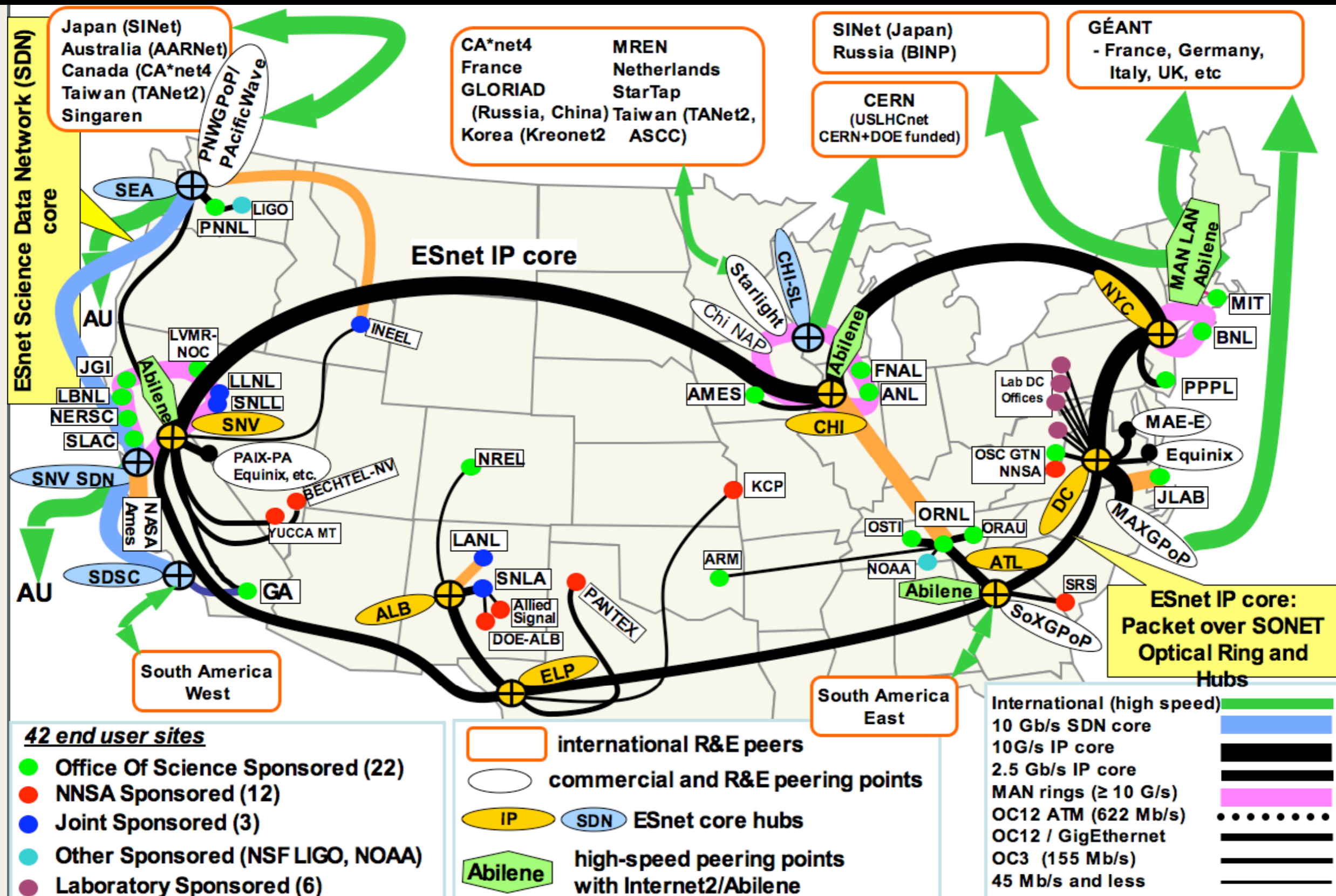


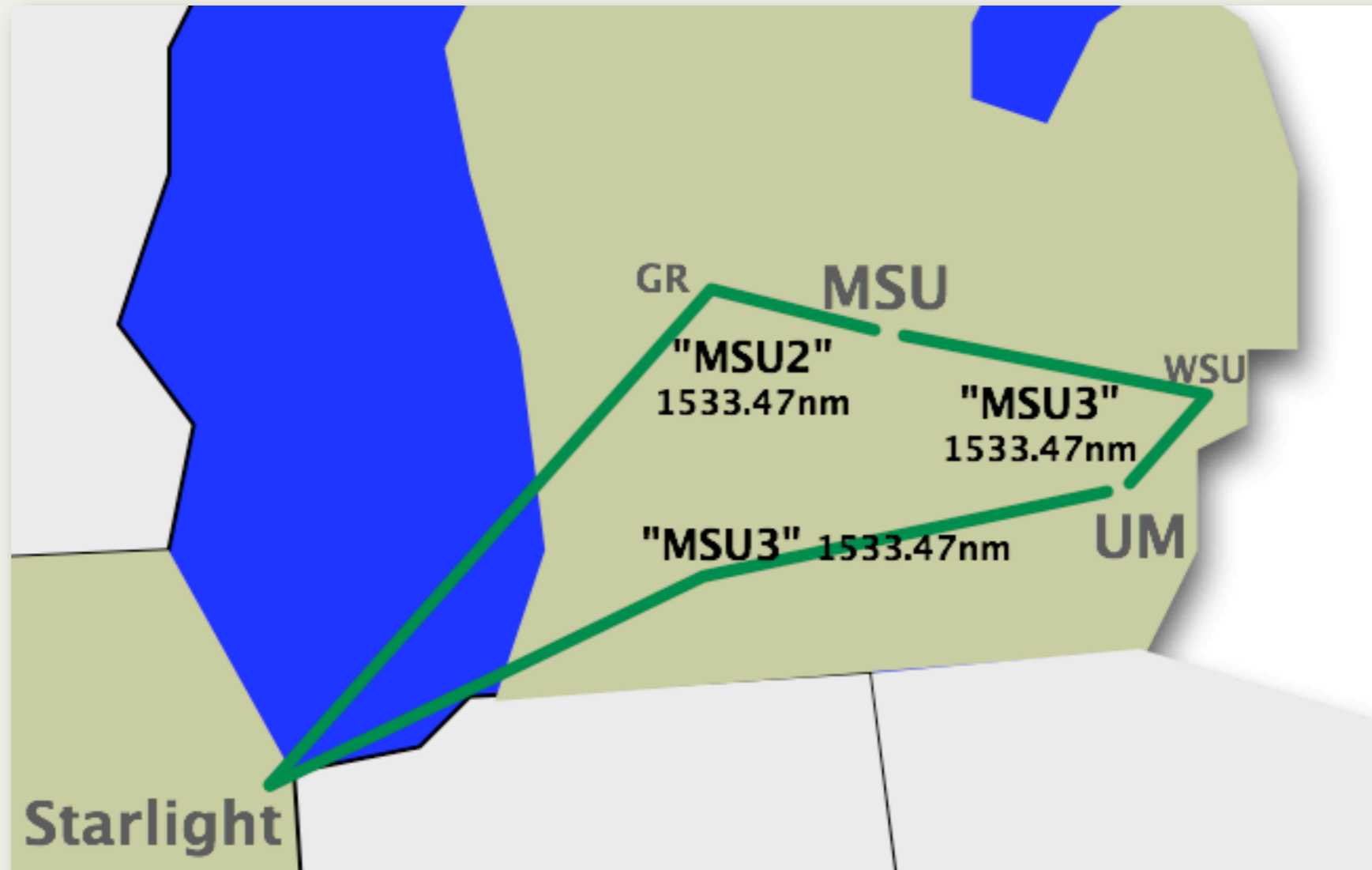
ATLAS Detector Under construction  
October 2005





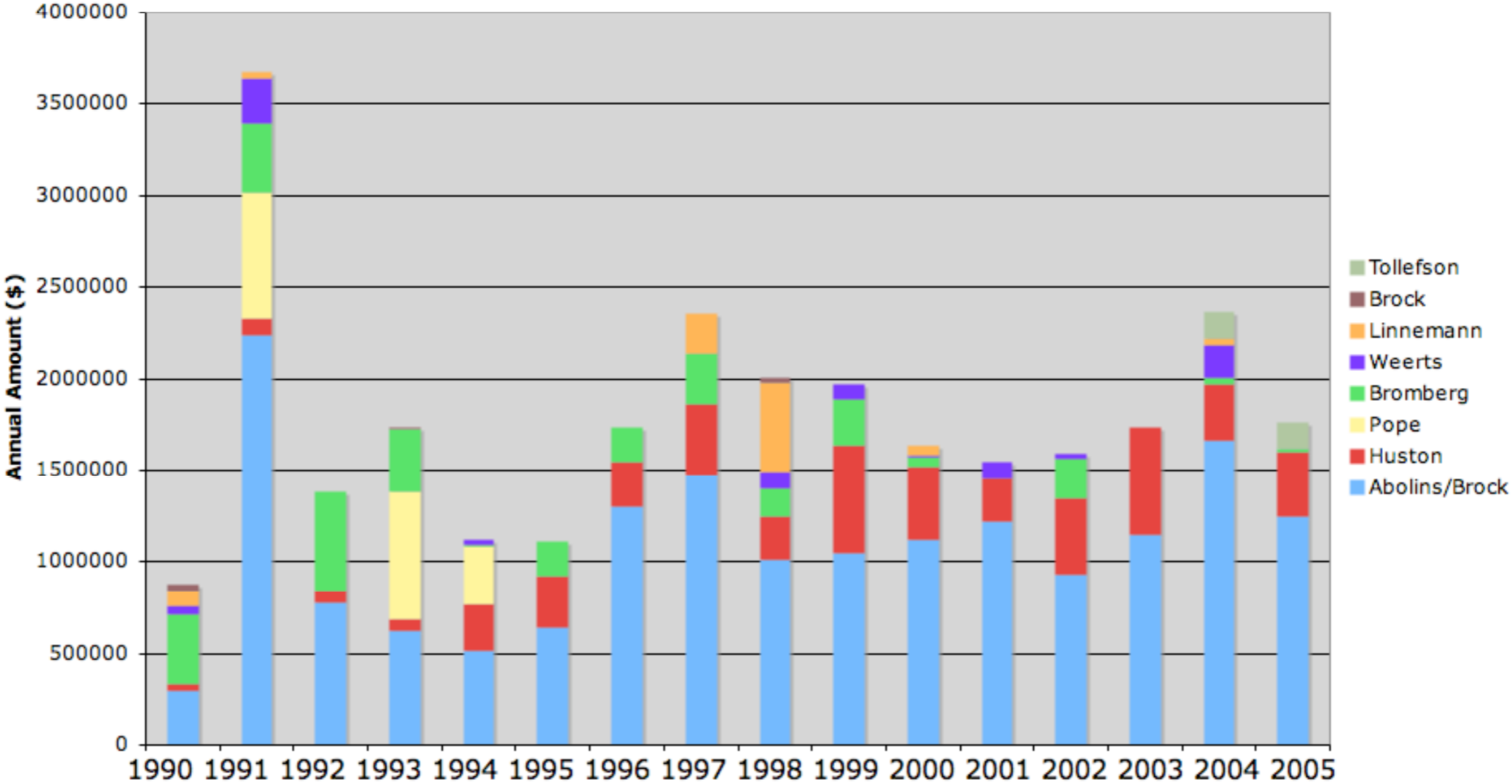
# how do data move around?





unique 10Gbps connectivity among the 3 Michigan “research universities”

### Federal Funds - HEP-E



**This'll keep us busy here at MSU for 20 years.**

- better known as “retirement”