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# High Energy Particle Physics at the University of Tennessee

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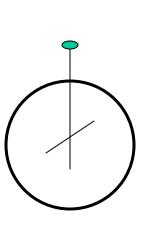


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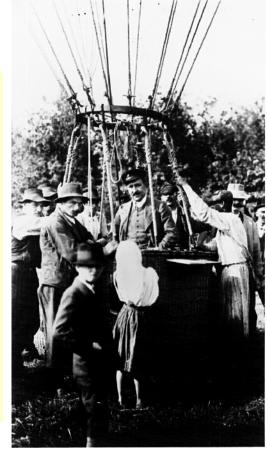
- Cosmic Rays Particle Physics: The Beginnings
  - •1785 Coulomb notices that a charged body left in air gradually loses its charge.
  - •1905 Rutherford concludes radioactivity in the earth is responsible.
  - •1912 Victor Hess reaches 5350 m altitude in a hydrogen filled balloon and shows conclusively that the rate of discharge increases significantly with height. He concludes that there is an extraterrestrial source of radiation.

(receives Nobel prize 1936)

Electrometer:



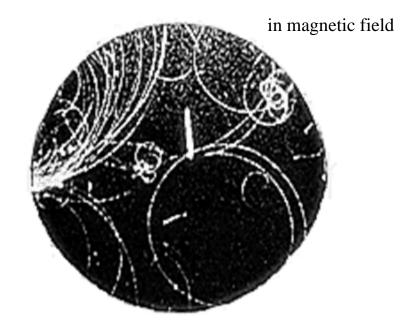




#### • Cloud Chamber as Particle Detectors



Chamber filled with supersaturated vapor (water)

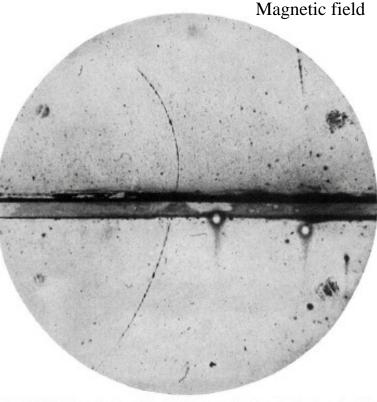


Expand and illuminate to take photograph



• The positive electron - First Discovery of Anti-Particles

1932 C.D.Anderson (Caltech)



6 mm of lead

FIG. 1. A 63 million volt positron  $(H_P = 2, 1 \times 10^4 \text{ gauss-cm})$  passing through a 6 mm lead plate and emerging as a 23 million volt positron  $(H_P = 7.5 \times 10^4 \text{ gauss-cm})$ . The length of this latter path is at least ten times greater than the possible length of a proton path of this curvature.

Fits into theory: P.A.M Dirac

relativistic wave equation for electrons predicts the existence of particles with charge opposite to electrons but same mass.

→ Equation is invariant under C-parity transformation (fundamental symmetry) C  $e^- = e^+$ 

→ Other important symmetry is parity P:  $P\vec{r} = -\vec{r}$ 

How does it get produced ?

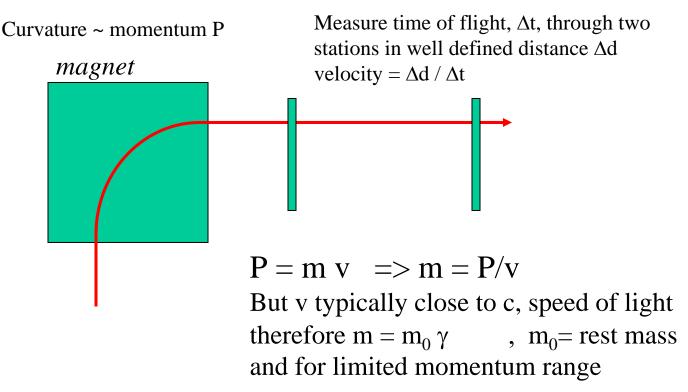
#### • Particle detection

#### Detection of elementary particles is based on their interaction with matter.

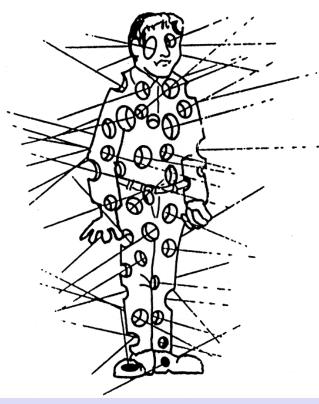
1937 Neddermeyer, Anderson find a heavy particle, but not as heavy as the proton in cosmic rays → the muon

→ check the energy loss of the particle in a metal plate and its momentum (curvature) in magnetic field

Another idea of resolving a particles mass:

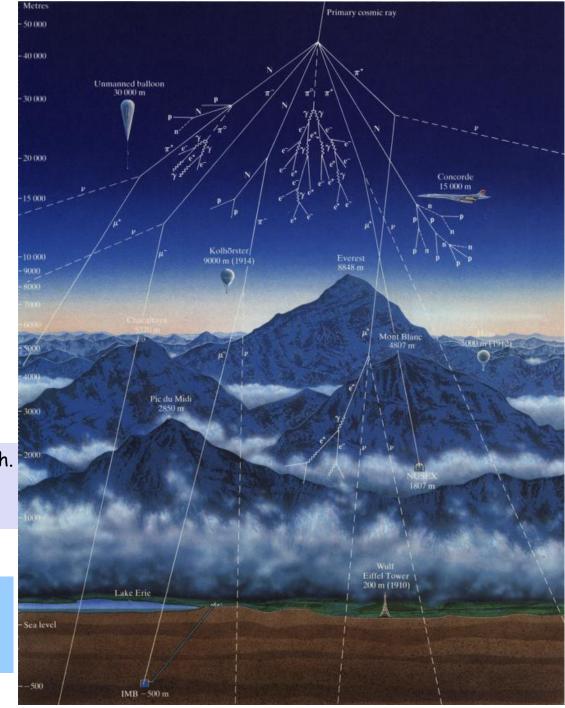


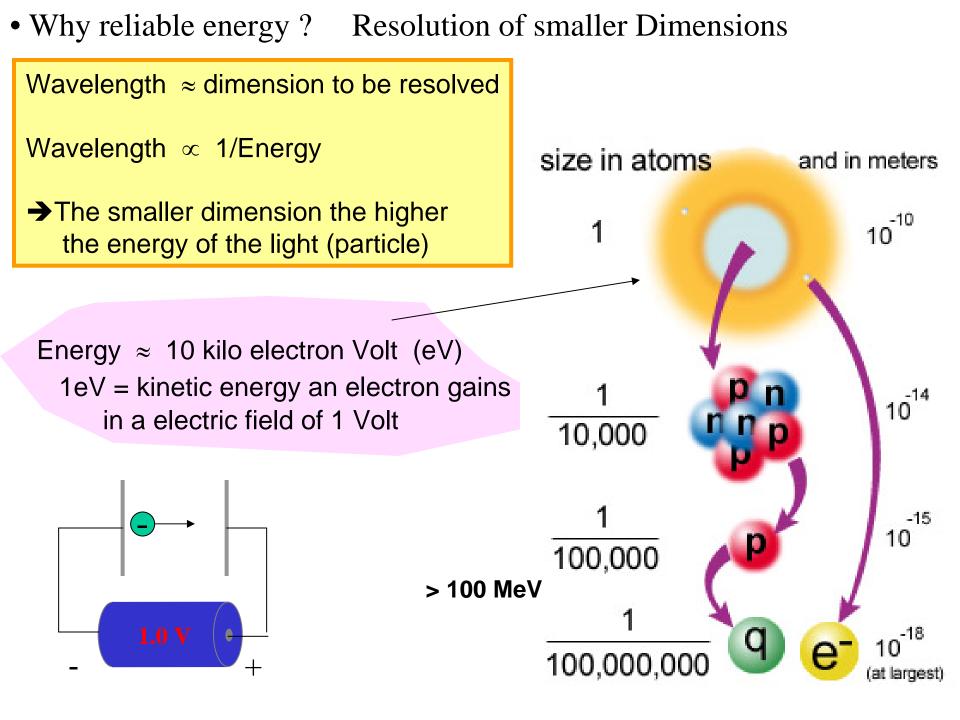
• Cosmic ray laboratory



Cosmic Rays continually bombard the Earth. In fact, a large amount of cosmic rays will pass through a person every hour!

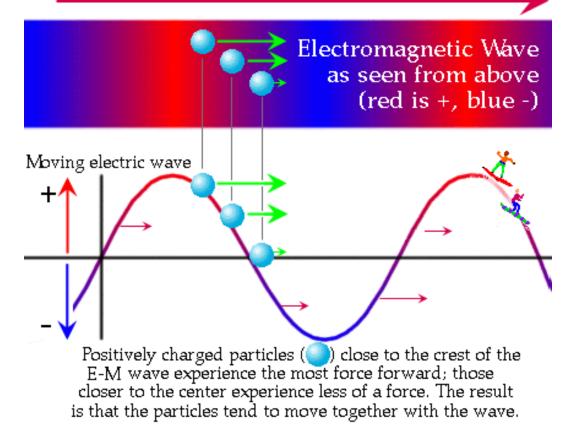
Cosmic rays are very energetic, but not sufficiently reliable and their rates are low !





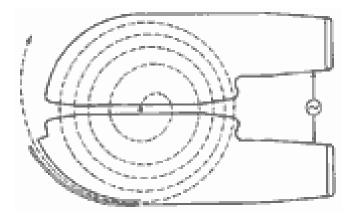
Electromagnetic wave is traveling, pushing particles along with it

#### • Accelerators



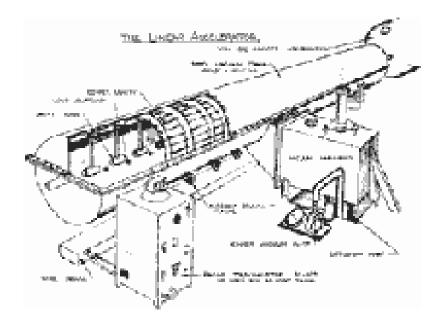
Synchrocyclotron: let particles run in a circle within a magnetic field and give them kicks with the electrical field at the same place in the right moment

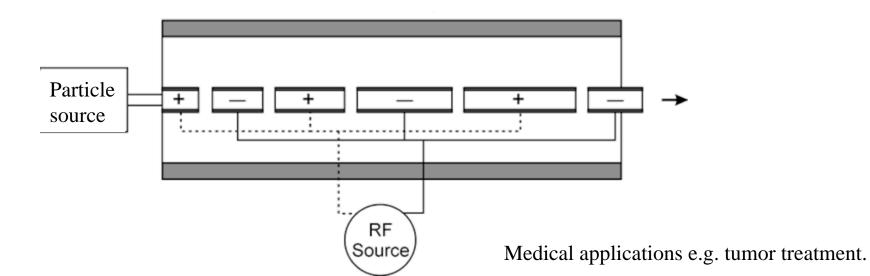
But: Synchrotron Radiation  $\rightarrow$  Beam Energy Loss  $\propto E^4$ 



#### • Linear Accelerators







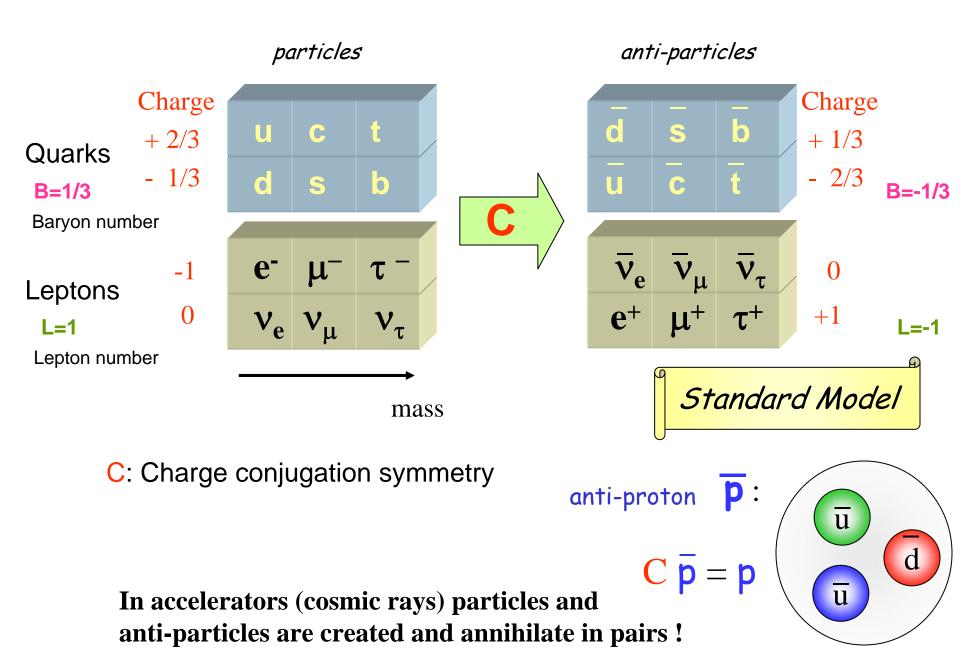
• Stanford Linear Accelerator Center



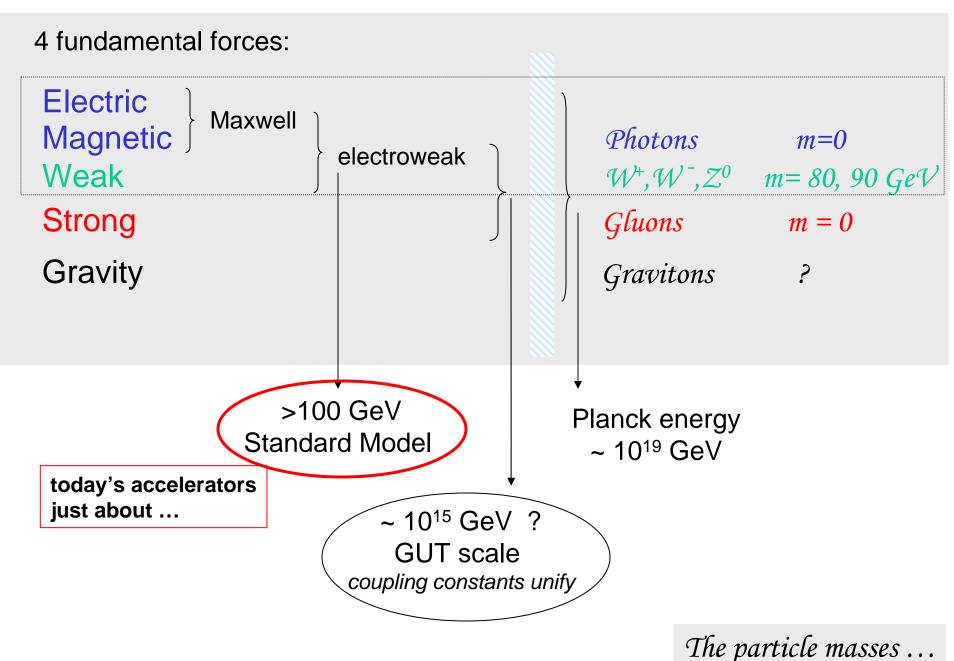
- Stanford Palo Alto
- 2 mile long accelerator (can be seen from moon)
- Final energy of 45 GeV for electrons/positrons
- Used to fill PeP II B-factory to measure CP violation

• What have we learned  $\rightarrow$  Standard Model

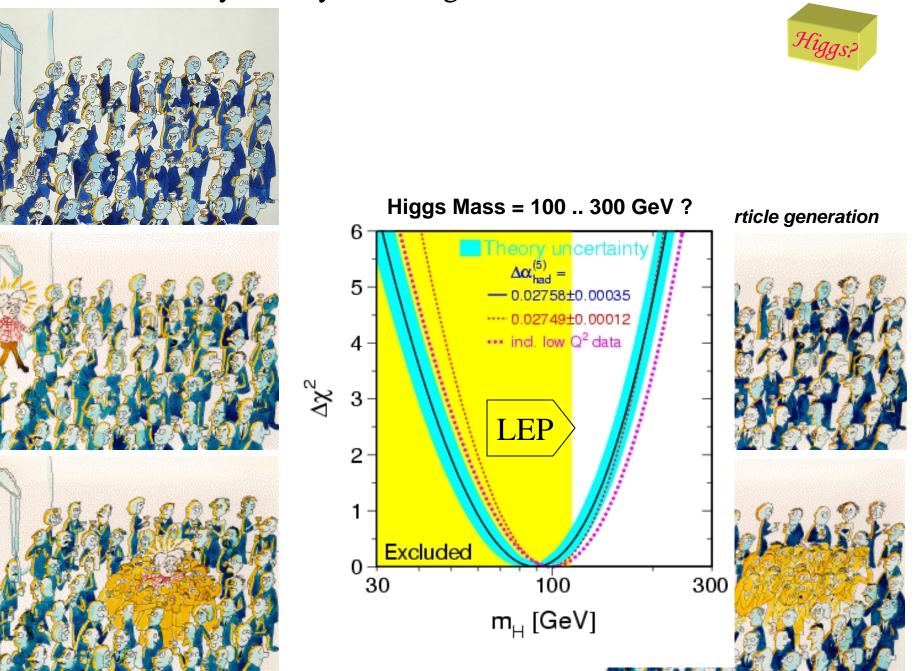
fundamental?



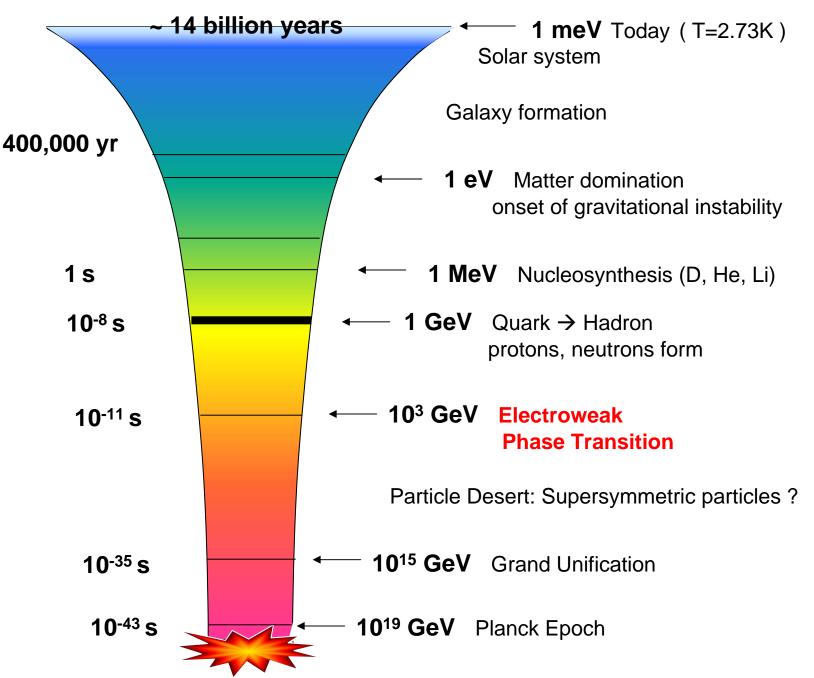
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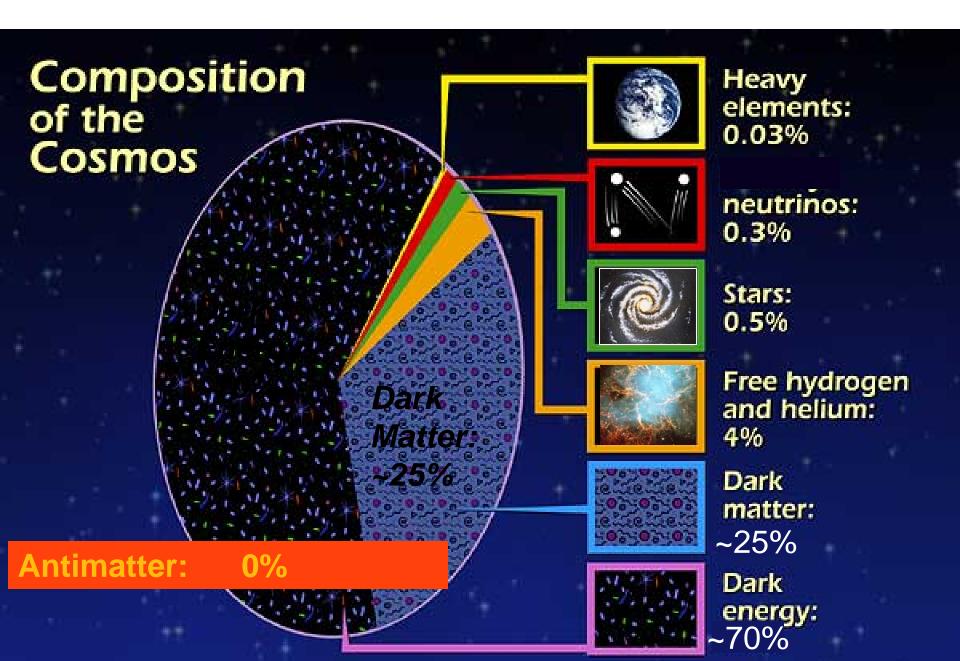
• Standard Model Symmetry Breaking ?



• Evolution of the Universe ?



• Energy Budget of the Universe



# The Standard Model in 2006

The *Standard Model* is not complete; there are still many unanswered questions, such as:

- Why can't the Standard Model predict a particle's mass ?
- Are quarks and leptons actually fundamental ?
- Why are there exactly three generations of quarks and leptons?
- Why do we observe matter and almost no anti-matter in the Universe ?
- What is this "dark matter" ?
- How does gravity fit into all of this?



**LHC** is the tool for a fundamental breakthrough



Spices

Leptons

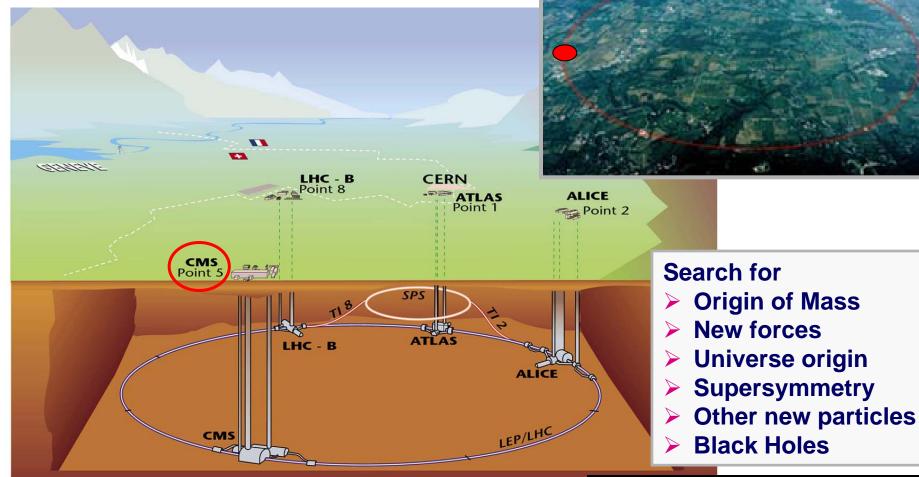
Reality Stew Collect

quarto

## • The LHC Project

• Proton-proton collider (14 TeV energy)

- 27 km in circumference, 50-175m deep
- between Jura mountains (France) and Lake Geneva (Switzerland)





# First beams fall 2007 !

# • The LHC

> 2808 proton bunches/ring
> ~10<sup>11</sup> protons/bunch
> Beam current: 584 mA

 > Collision every 25 ns
 > Beam stays for 10 hours after fill (30min energy ramp)



**Accelerator tunnel** 



Energy stored/beam: 360 MJ

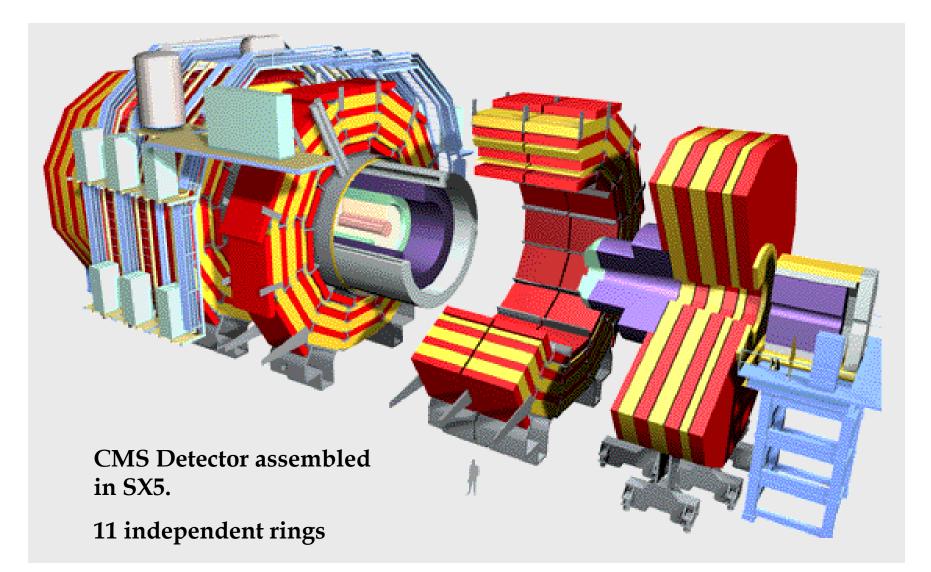
Superconducting magnets: 1232 dipole magnets (bending) ~500 quadrupole magnets (focus)

Energy stored in magnets: 700GJ

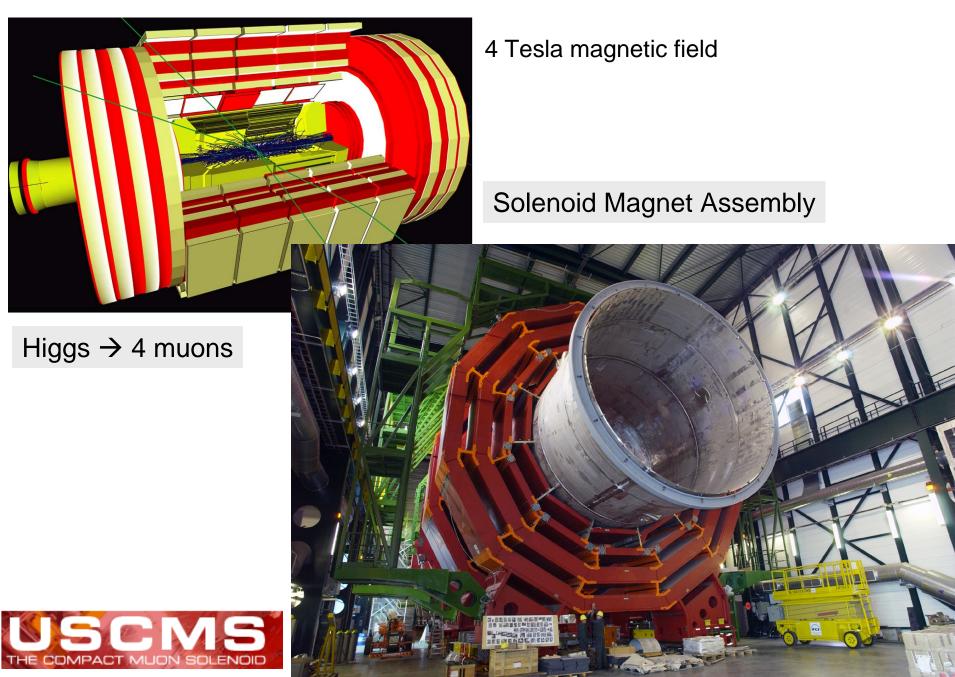
→ Particle losses fatal !

superconducting dipole magnet

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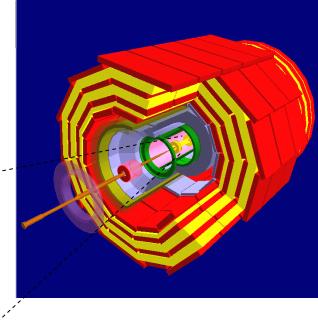


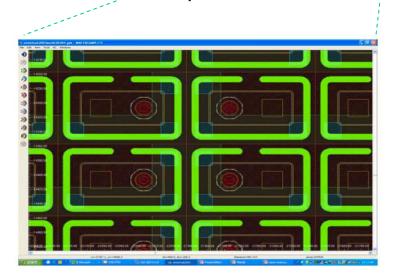
# • The CMS Pixel Detector

- 3-d tracking with about 66 million channels
- Barrel layers at radii = 4.3cm, 7.2cm and 11.0cm
- Pixel cell size = 100 µm x 150 µm

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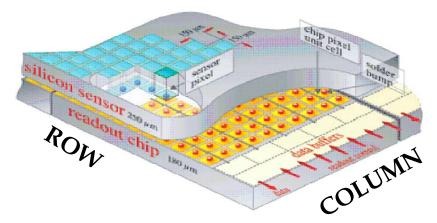
~15k front-end chips and ~1m<sup>2</sup> of silicon



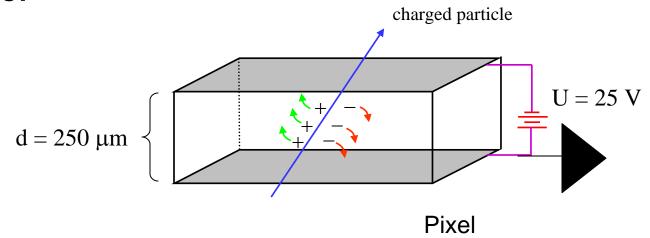


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Sensors are bump-bonded to the readout chips

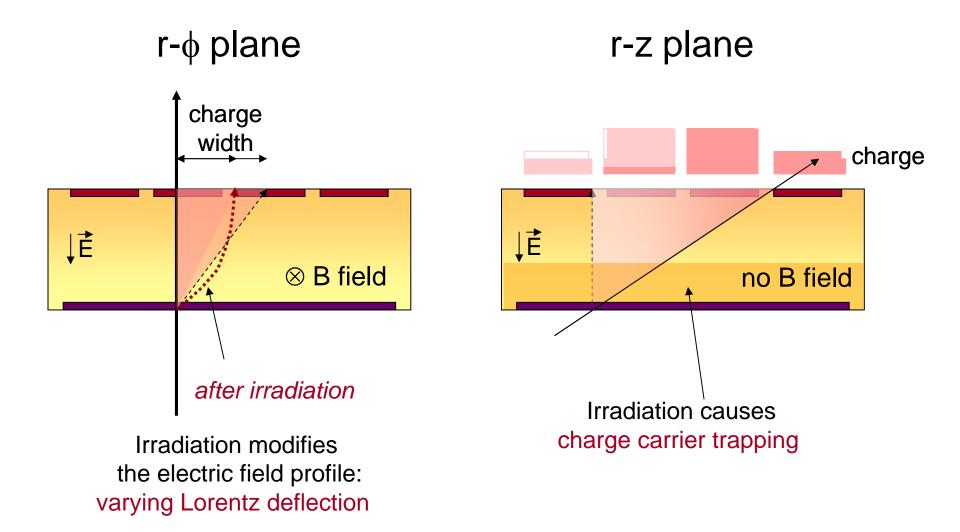


Silicon Detector



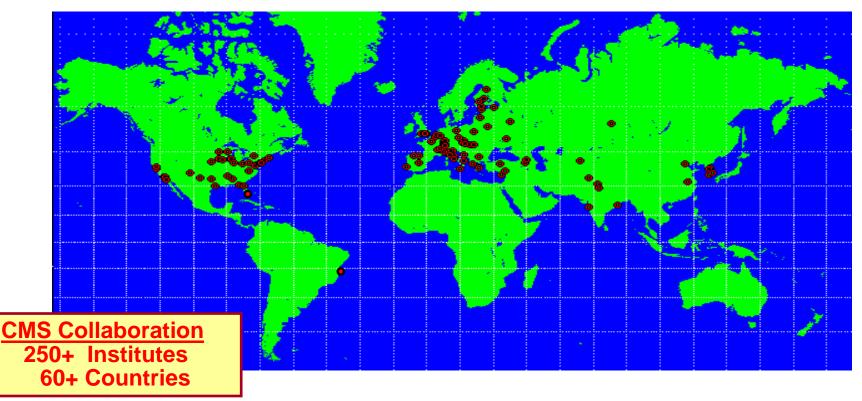
- Charged particle creates free electrons and holes in silicon while passing (deposits small fraction of its energy)
   → For minimum-ionizing particle ~ 20,000 electrons
- Silicon pixel (strip) detector works like a semi-conductor diode in reverse bias with large depletion zone (no free charges)
   → very large electric field E ~ 10<sup>5</sup>V/m pulls charges
   → very short collection time (few ns)

• The CMS Pixel Detector - Radiation Effects

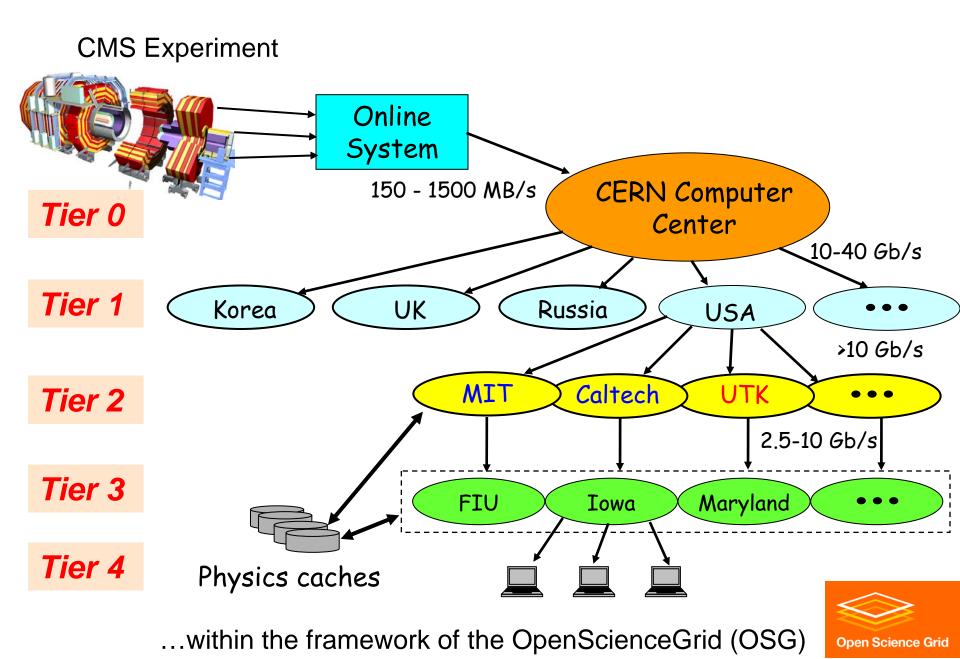


# • The LHC Computing

- 1 billion proton-proton collision events per second in detector
- 100 events of interest/second recorded permanently (trigger/filter)
- ➔ 1 GByte/second
  - + Raw data, processed data, simulated events
- → 15 PetaBytes/ year (= 15 M GBytes/year = 20 M CDs)
- → computing power equivalent: ~ 100,000 standard PC processors.
- ... needs global distribution of people & resources



## • The LHC Global Data GRID (2007+)



# • Conclusion

- High Energy Particle Physics (HEP) has answered many fundamental questions.
- In the energy regime below 100 GeV the picture appears complete
- but beyond this energy HEP opened many new questions
- LHC is the machine for a fundamental breakthroughs
- HEP is a challenging environment with many new technology developments to prepare for discoveries

#### We are involved in

- CP violation & Search for New Physics at BaBar, SLAC
- Readout and commissioning of pixel detector for CMS/LHC
- Beam radiation protection for the pixel detector at CMS
- Future radiation hard pixel detector development with PSI Switzerland
- GRID computing center at UT; R&D with UT's Computer Science Dpt.
- Search for new particles and interactions beyond the Standard Model