

A photograph of a particle accelerator tunnel, likely the Large Hadron Collider (LHC). The image shows a long, curved tunnel with a series of blue superconducting magnets lining the walls. The lighting is dim, with some overhead lights visible. The perspective is from within the tunnel, looking down its length.

# Physics at the Terascale

A brief and incomplete overview

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# Outline

„The Standard model is (almost ) complete and so is particle physics – there´s (almost) nothing left to do...“ \*

## Part 1: The Standard Model and why it is far from complete

„Detectors at colliders look alike each other so much – why should I work on novel detectors at all?“ \*

## Part 2: Better Detectors

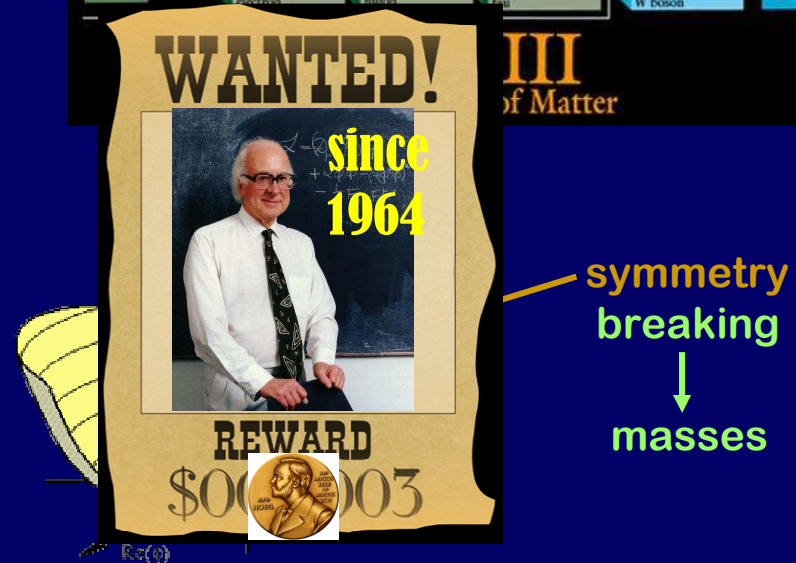
„The LHC will be the last machine – any new collider will be too monstrous“ \*

## Part 3: Future Colliders

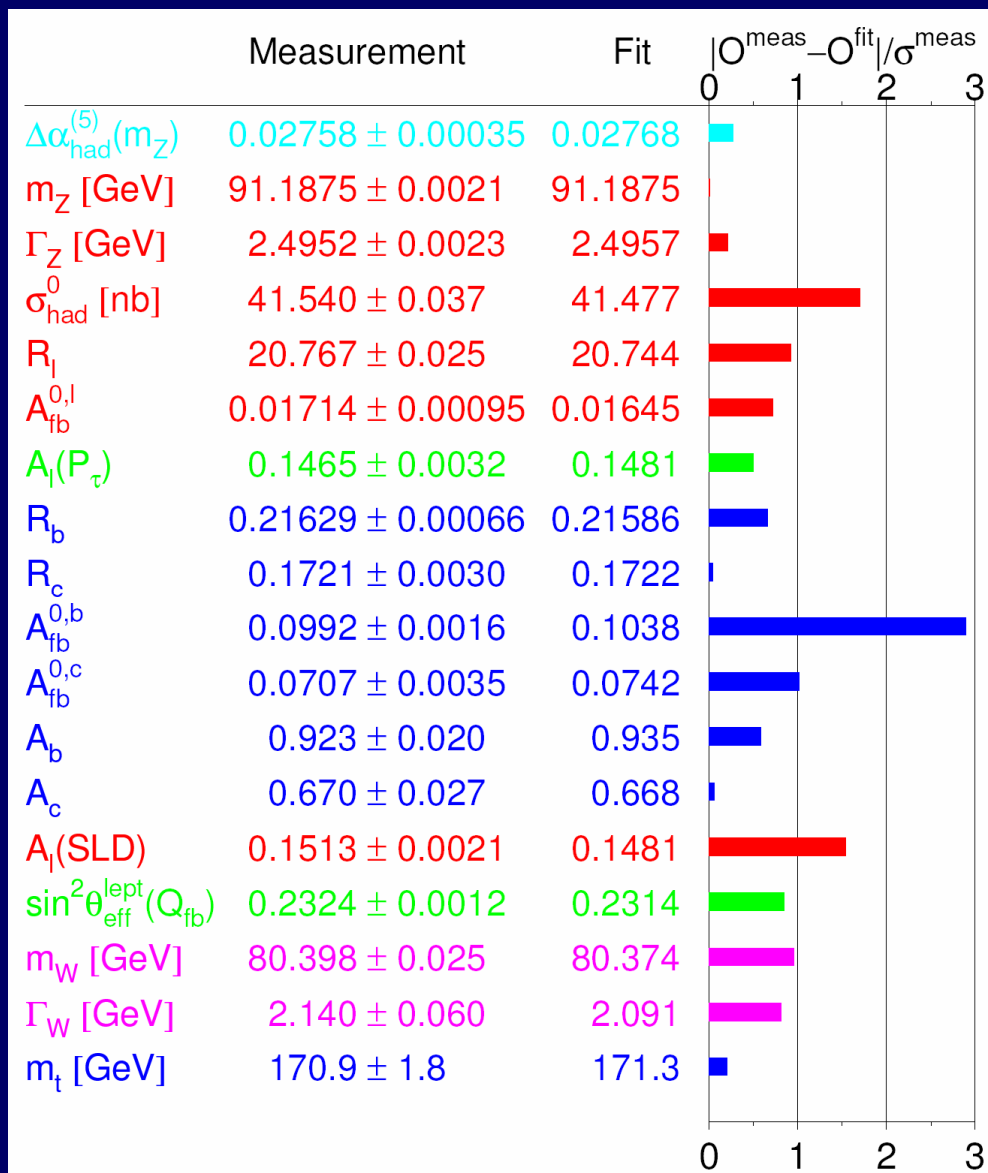
\* commonly heard prejudices and convictions...

# Part 1: The Standard-Model and why it is incomplete

- 3 families of matter particles (fermions)
  - quarks
  - leptons
- 3 Forces (gauge bosons)
  - U(1): electromagnetism
  - SU(2): weak force
  - SU(3): strong force
- Relativistic Quantum Field Theory – Action from Gauge Principle
- 1 Higgs boson (scalar)

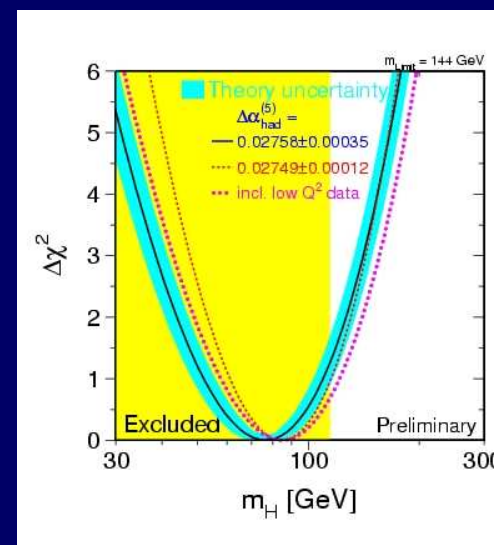


# Experimental consistency...



This is only the essence of several hundreds of independent and precise (often % or better) measurement (LEP, Tevatron, SLC, HERA, ...)

They test the model at the level of quantum corrections



## But fundamental puzzles...

- Electro-weak symmetry breaking: Higgs or no Higgs?
- If Higgs, why is it so light??
- Three different forces without a common origin???
- What is the dark matter made of, if it exists ????
- Three flavours without a common origin ?????
- A stable proton ????? and  $Q(p) = Q(e^+)$  ??????
- Why is there only matter in our world
  - where has the antimatter gone ????????

 guaranteed    good chance    maybe, maybe not

to find answers at the Terascale: Energy 1 TeV = 1 Teraelectronvolt

# The standard beyond the standard: Supersymmetry

- **Electroweak symmetry breaking: Higgs or no Higgs?**

- **If Higgs, why so light??**

could be excluded by LHC in 2010...

- **Three different sectors without a common origin???**

- **What is the matter made of, if it exists ????**

- **The hidden in SUSY breaking sector common origin ?????**

- **A standard model and  $Q(p) = Q(e^+) ??????$**

- **Why is there CP violation in our world  
- why is the antimatter gone ????????**

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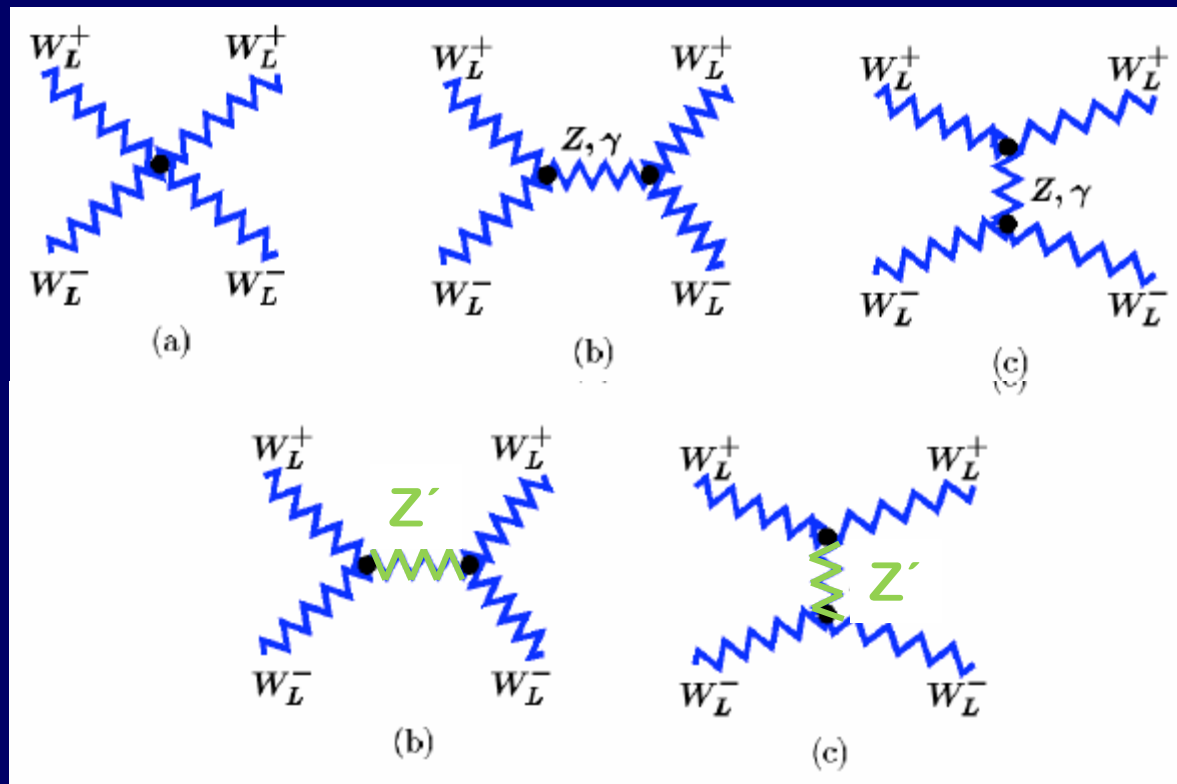
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# A non-standard beyond standard (one out of many...)

- EWSB: no Higgs

eg. Chivukula et al, hep-ph/0607124  
A three site Higgsless model

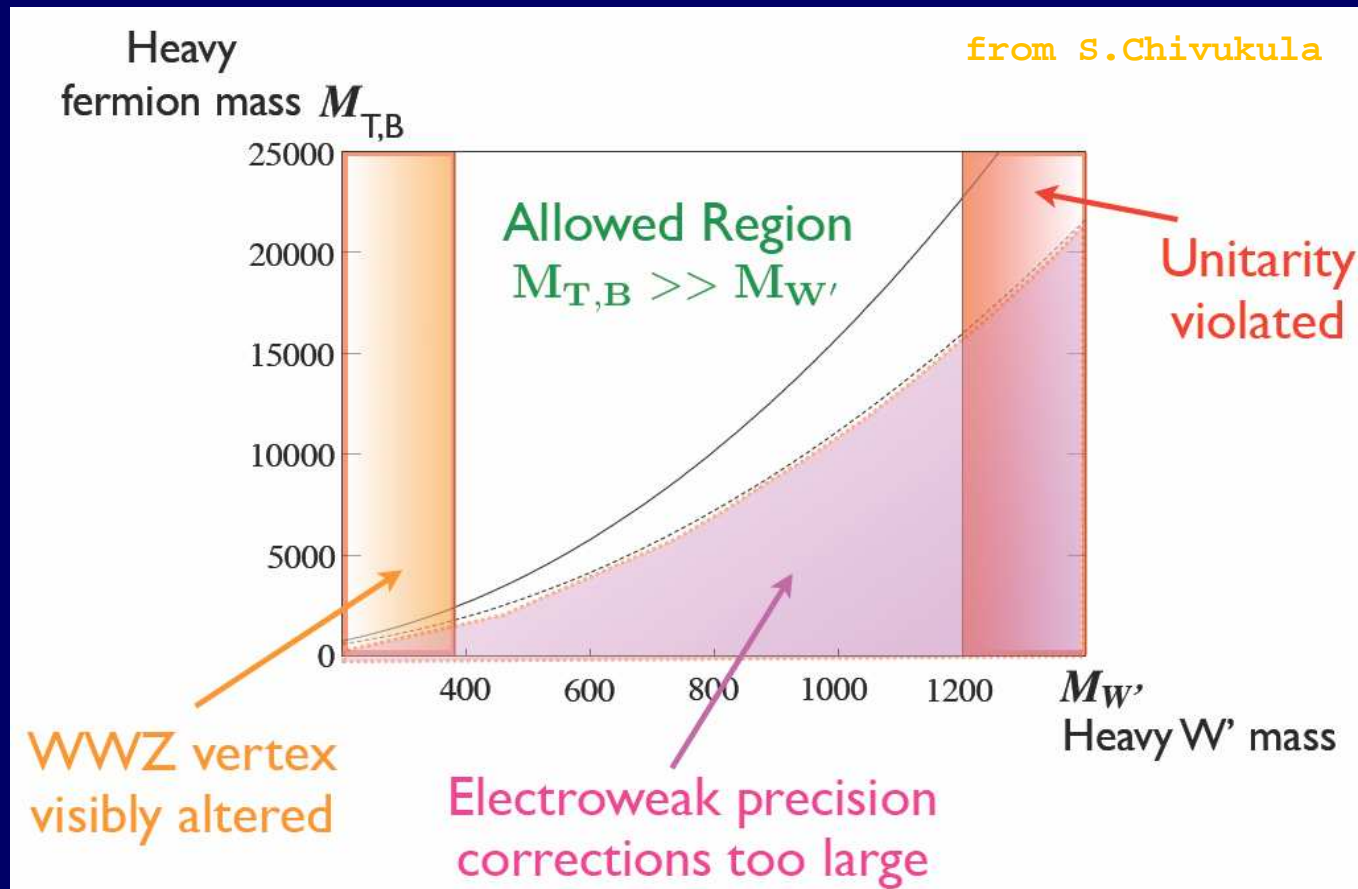
(Very) Schematically:



$\rightarrow \infty$   
 $\rightarrow$  finite up to  
 $\rightarrow$  finite  
 $\sim 0(10 \text{ TeV})$   
 if  $M_{Z'} \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}$



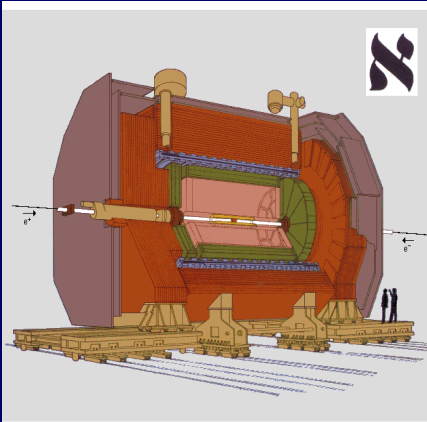
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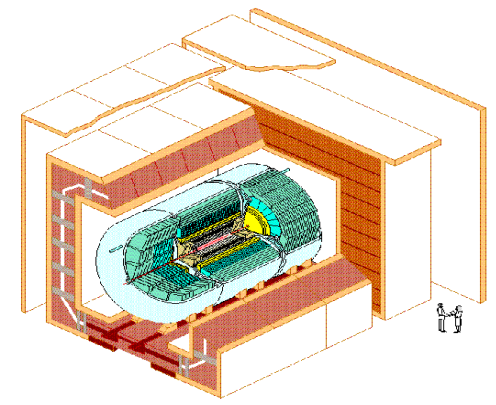
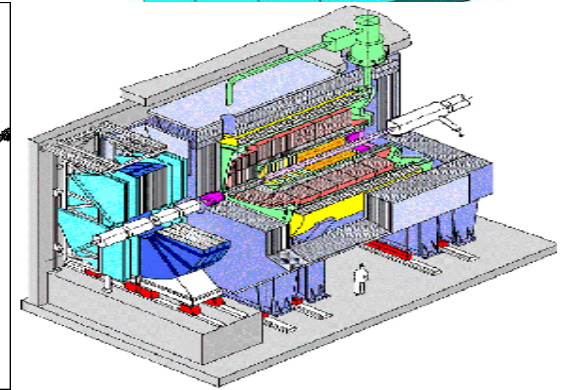
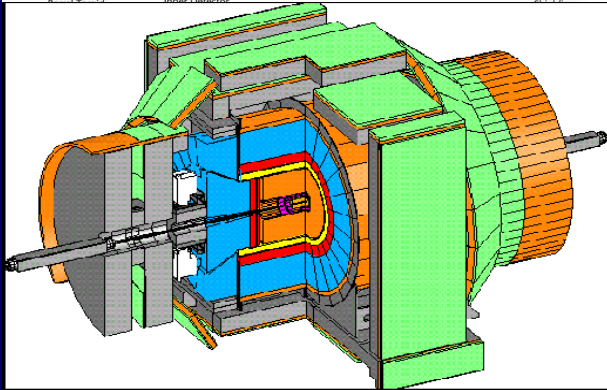
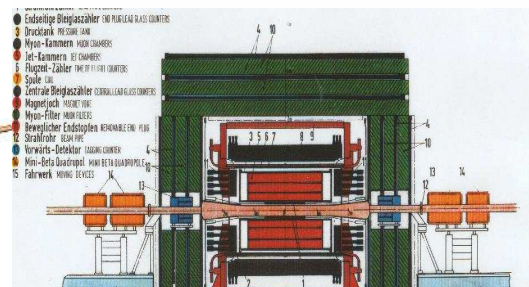
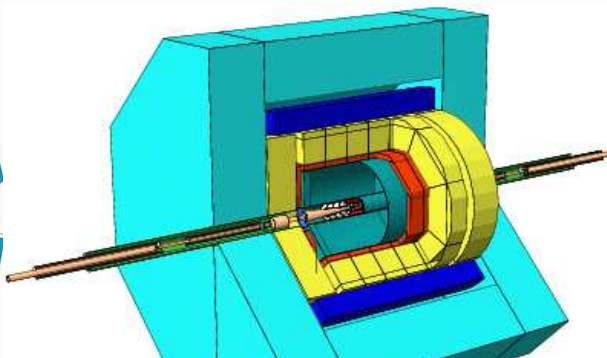
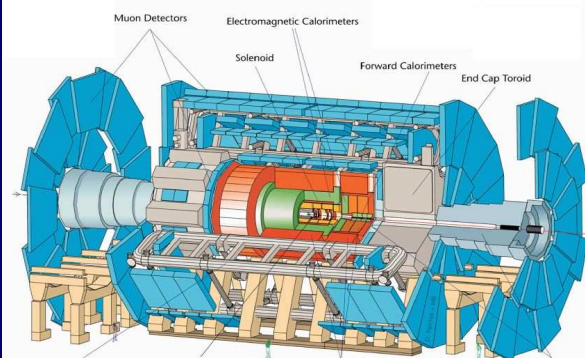
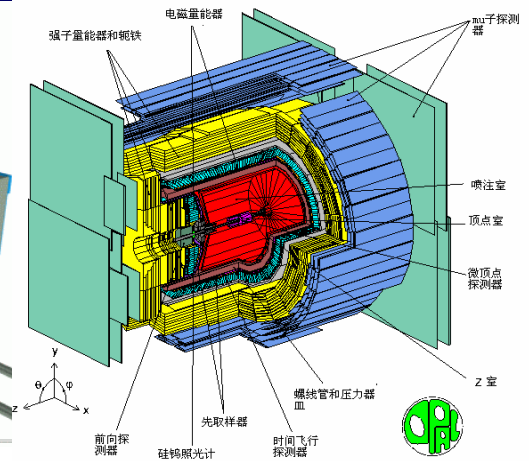
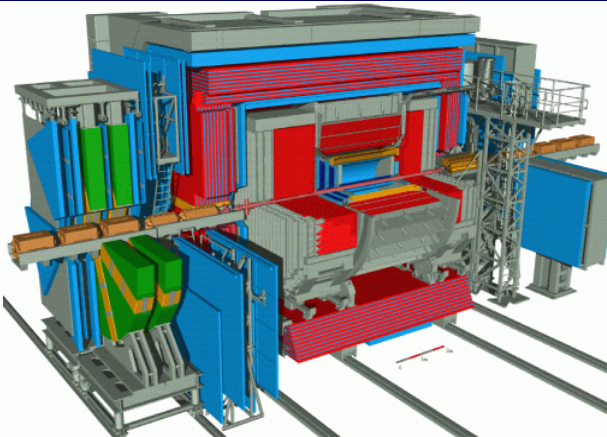
- fermiophobic  $Z'$ ,  $W'$  can be seen at LHC, but may need longer
- ILC can do precise tests of couplings (triple gauge couplings)
- ultra-heavy fermions are beyond LHC/ILC reach



# Part 2: Advancing detectors



- Vertex Detector
- Inner Tracking Chamber
- Time Projection Chamber
- Electromagnetic Calorimeter
- Superconducting Magnet Coil
- Hadron Calorimeter
- Muon Chambers
- Luminosity Monitors



DØ Detector

## Part 2: Advancing detectors

Progress in high-energy physics is not only driven by higher energies and higher collision rates but also by progress in detector physics

- collider environment (backgrounds, radiation, collision rates)
- measurement precision (resolution, efficiencies)

**Next steps:**

**Improving the LHC detectors:**

+ lots of impact on other fields (medical imaging, photon science, ...)

**Radiation hardness**

**Better and faster triggers**

**Specialized detectors – depending on physics...**

**New detectors for Lepton Colliders and precision experiments (sth rather different...)**

## Different Detector Challenges

### Charged particle tracking goals (momentum resolution):

LHC (ATLAS):  $\Delta p/p = 0.4 p$  [TeV]

ILC (LDC):  $\Delta p/p = 0.05 p$  [TeV]

factor 10

### Calorimetry (jet energy resolution):

LHC (ATLAS)  $\Delta E/E = 50\%/\sqrt{E[\text{GeV}]} + 3\%$

ILC (LDC)  $\Delta E/E = 30\%/\sqrt{E[\text{GeV}]} + 1\%$

factor 2-3

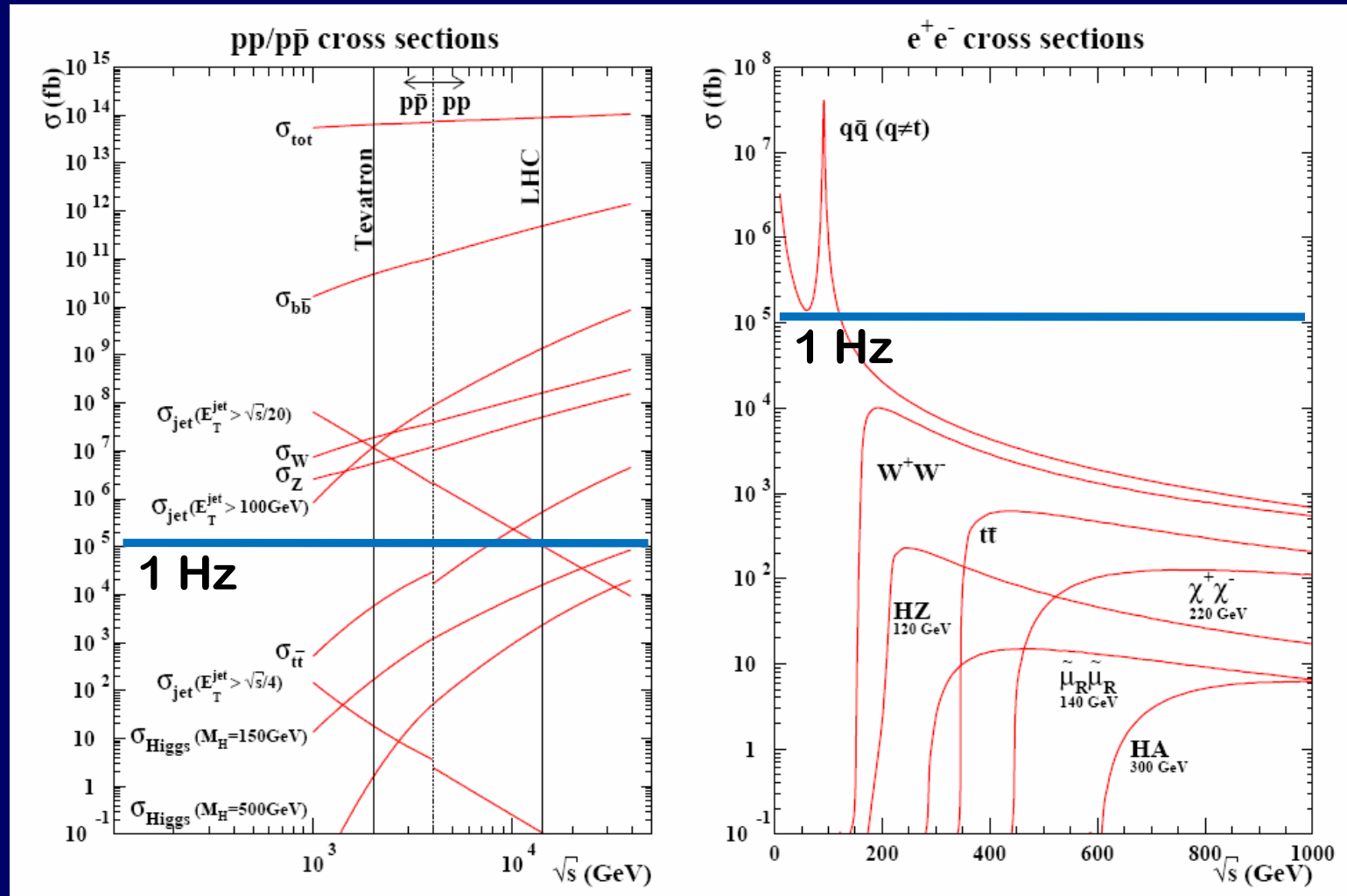
### Radiation levels:

LHC (1st pixel layer)  $\sim 10^{14}$  /cm<sup>2</sup> a)

ILC (1st pixel layer)  $\sim 10^{10}$  /cm<sup>2</sup> a)

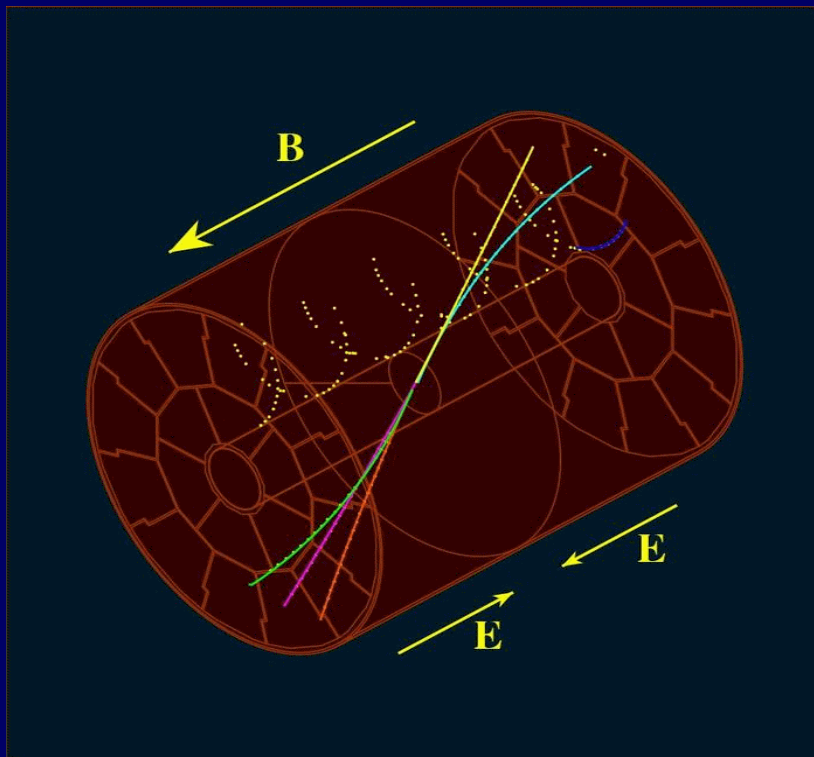
# Different Detector Challenges

## Event rates



## New detectors for ILC: an example

TPC – elegant principle for charged particle tracking with  
~ no material



invented by D.Nygren (Berkeley)

**Challenges:**

**Minimize material in endplate**

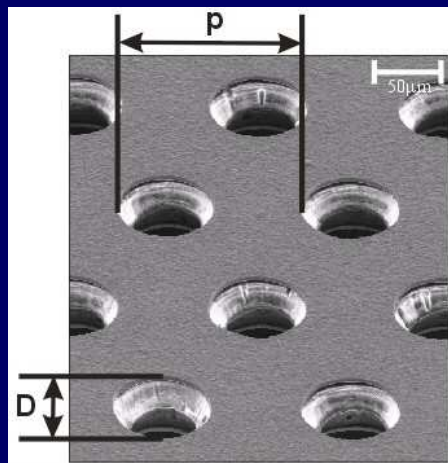
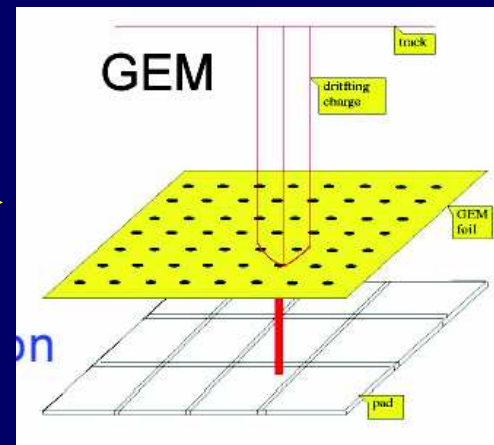
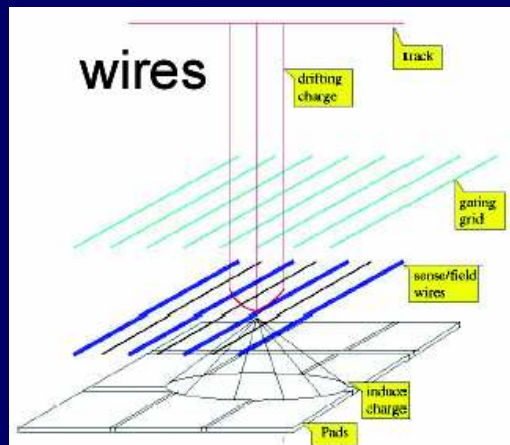
**Maximize spatial resolution**

**Maximize robustness  
+ redundancy**



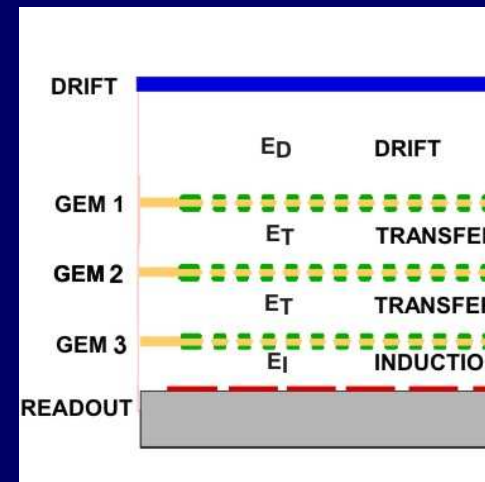
# New detectors for ILC: an example

Use Micro Pattern Gas Detectors (GEMs, MicroMegas) for gas amplification and micro-pads (pixelized electronics)



GEM foil

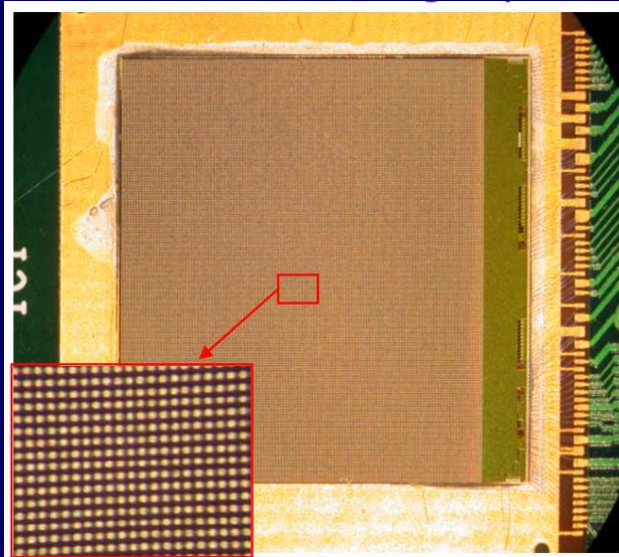
invented by F. Sauli (CERN)



setup

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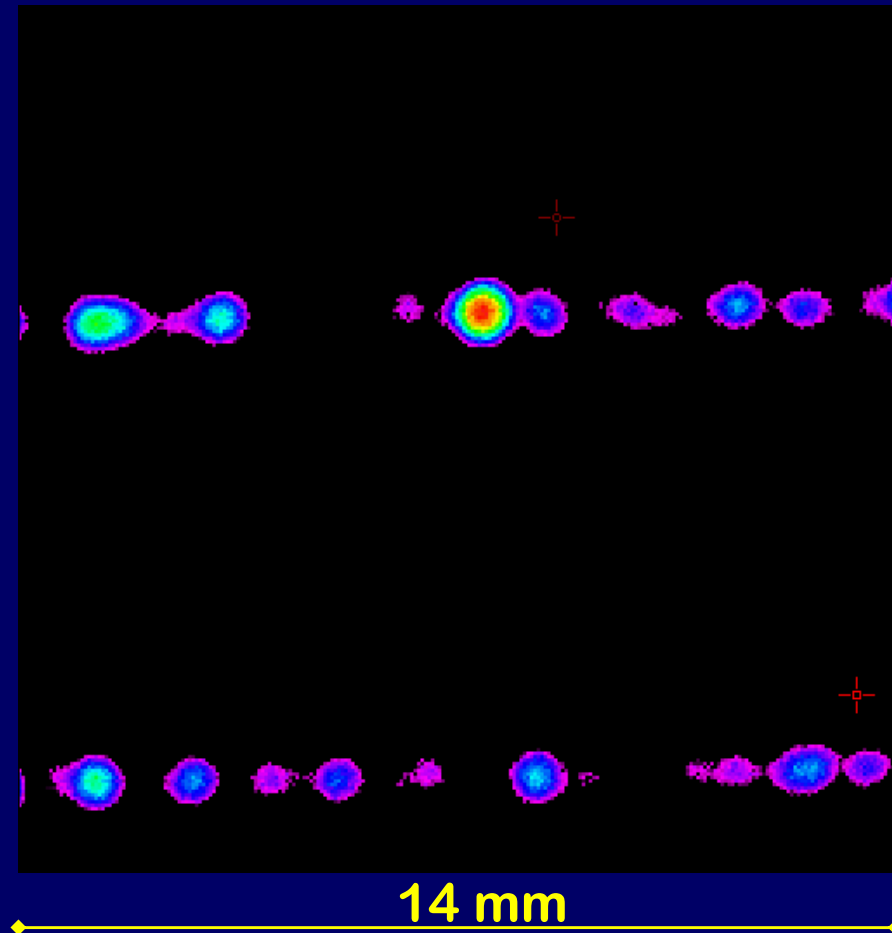
Timepix-Chip



55  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel pitch

Achieved point resolution  
of  $<20 \mu\text{m}$  (for 0 drift length)

first tracks at DESY test beam  
looks like “digital bubble chamber”





## Part 3: Future Colliders

Prof. K.H. Althoff (Bonn) (in my 2<sup>nd</sup> semester exp. physics lecture)  
„Whenever a significant increase in energy was needed,  
a **new idea** had to come along to make it possible“

Wait for the LHC??

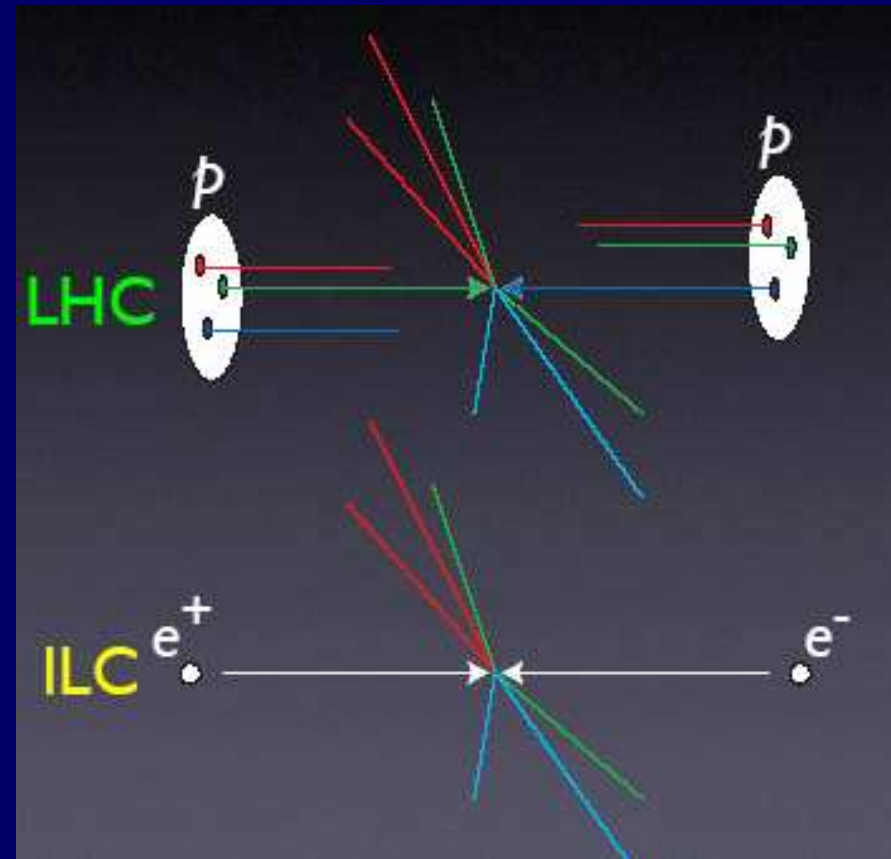
Sure – but accelerator projects have very long lead times  
(e.g. LHC planning started in 1984)

The future:

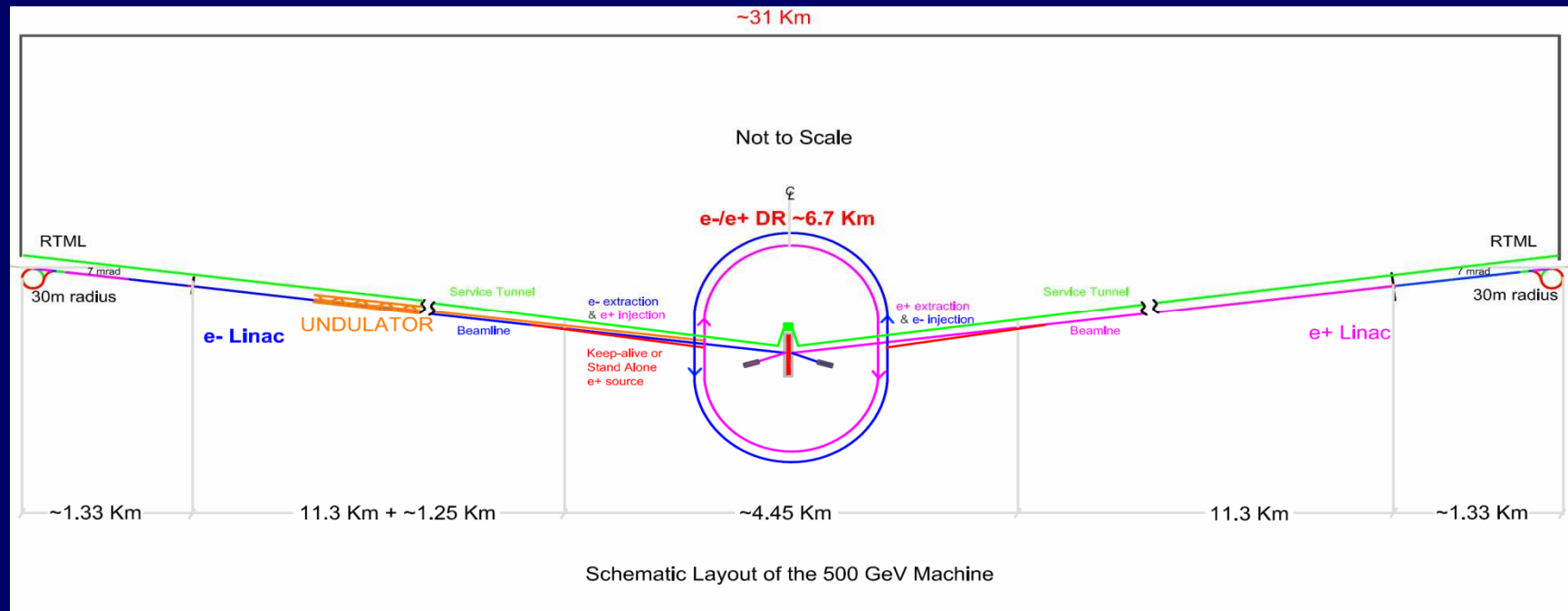
- The immediate future: ILC
- Ideas for bright young kids – new accelerating principles

# The International Linear Collider ILC

- elementary particles
- well-defined
  - energy,
  - spin
- uses full CM energy
- produces particles democratically (ew. interaction)
- can mostly fully reconstruct events

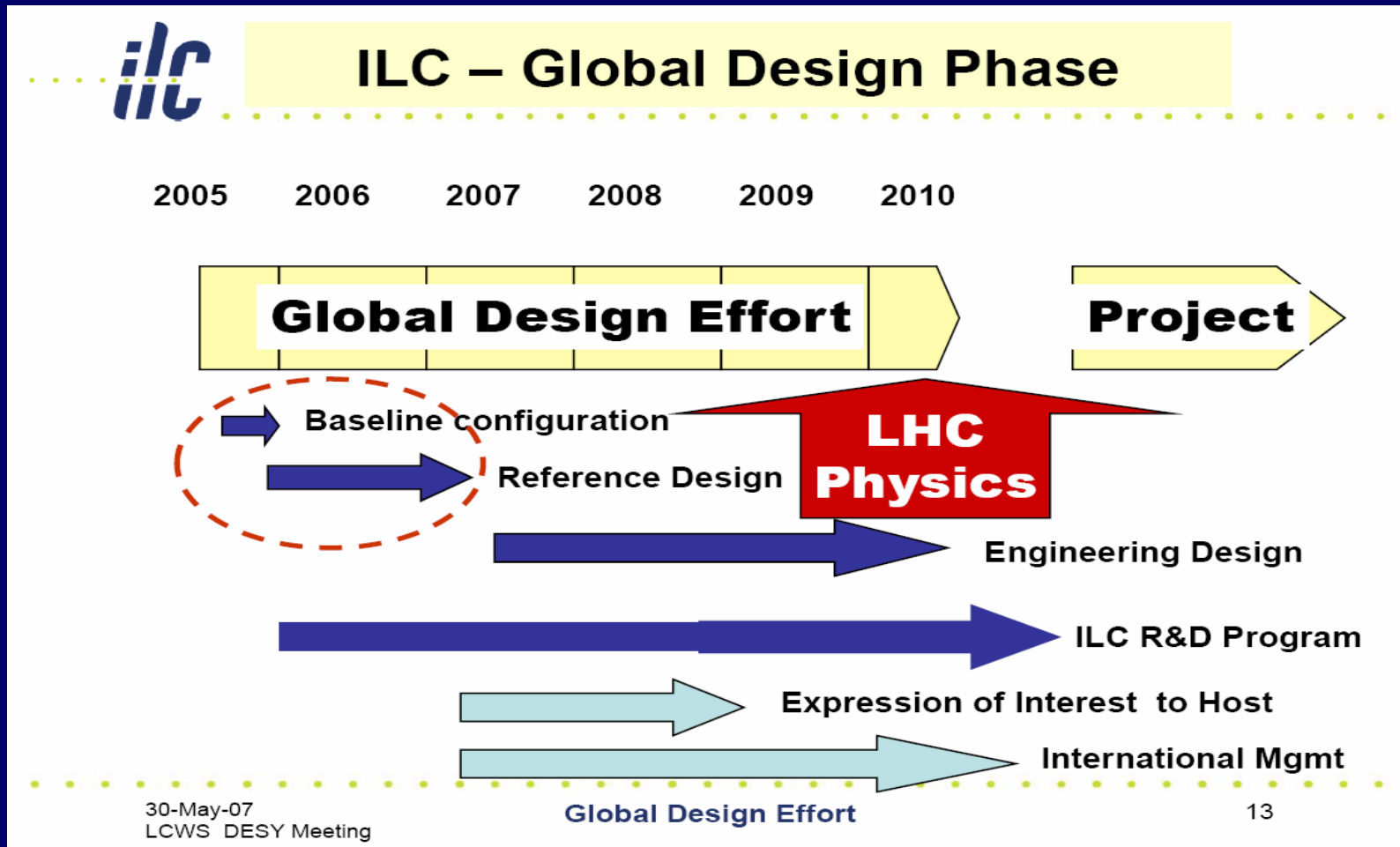


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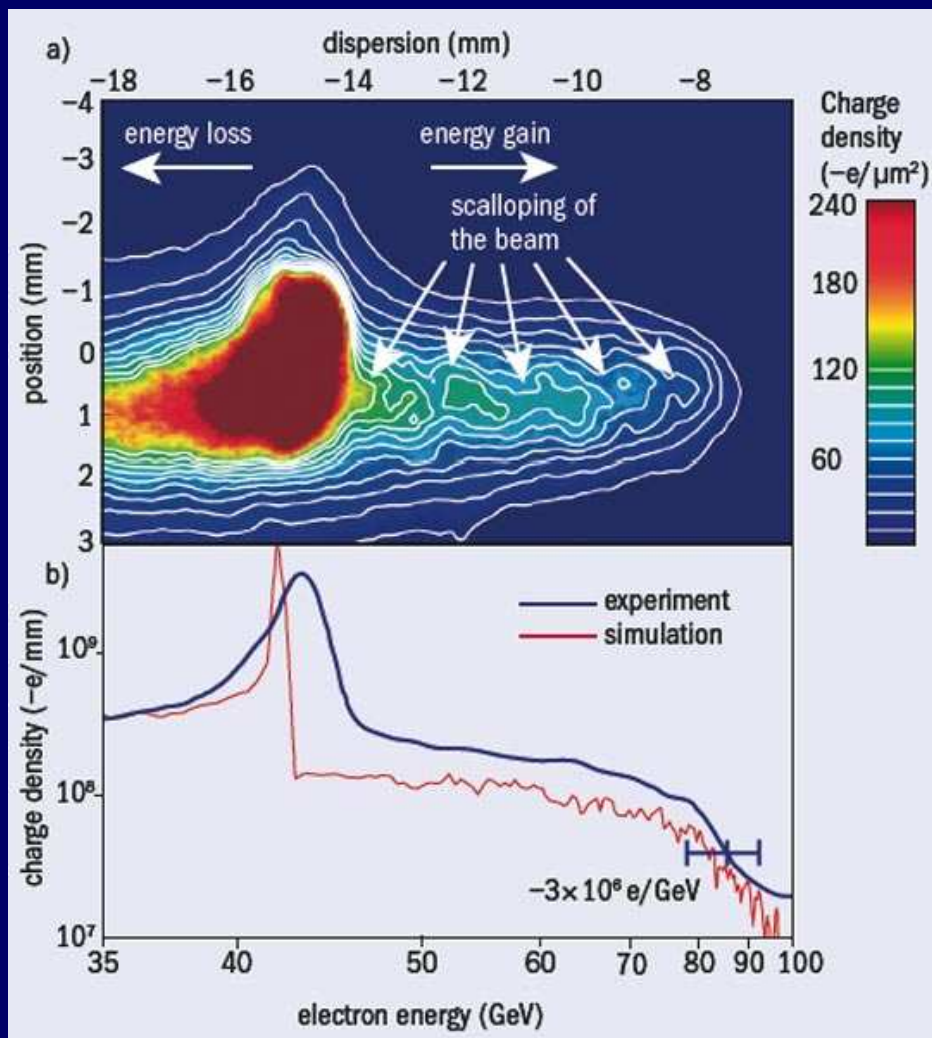
- The „one shot“ problem:** in a linear machine, particles only have one chance to collide
- each accelerating structure (resonator) can be used only once (need a high gradient)
  - make the beams as small (nm!) as possible to make sure that a collision happens!

# The International Linear Collider: a real plan



needs to be „ready to be built“ when LHC data give us enough motivation to do so

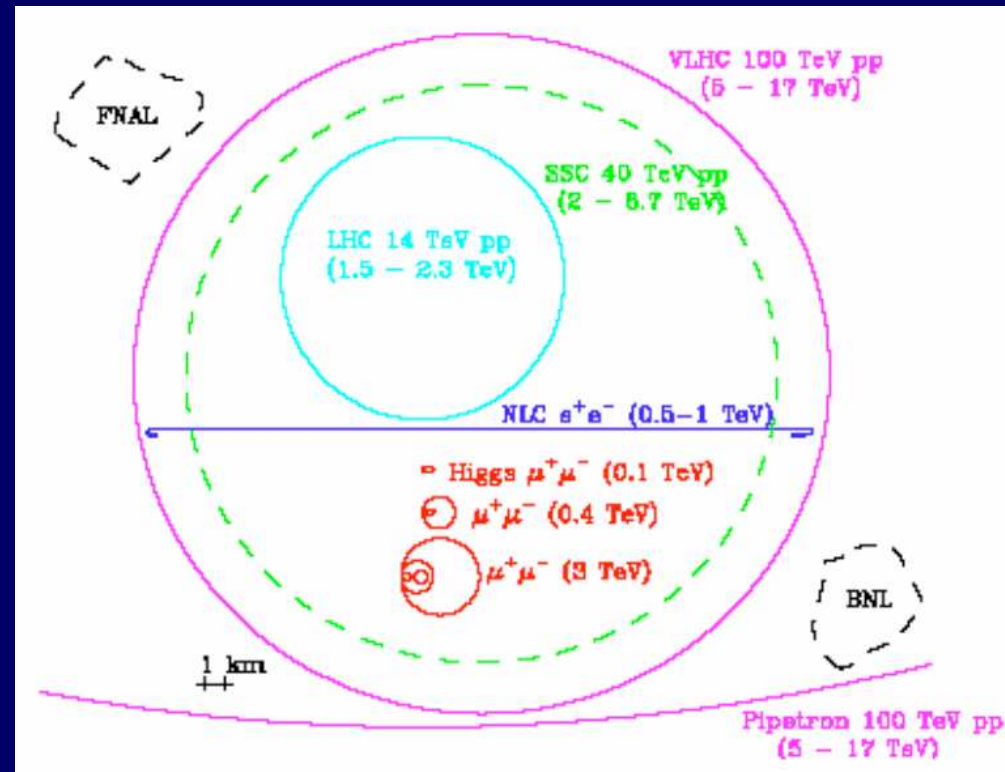
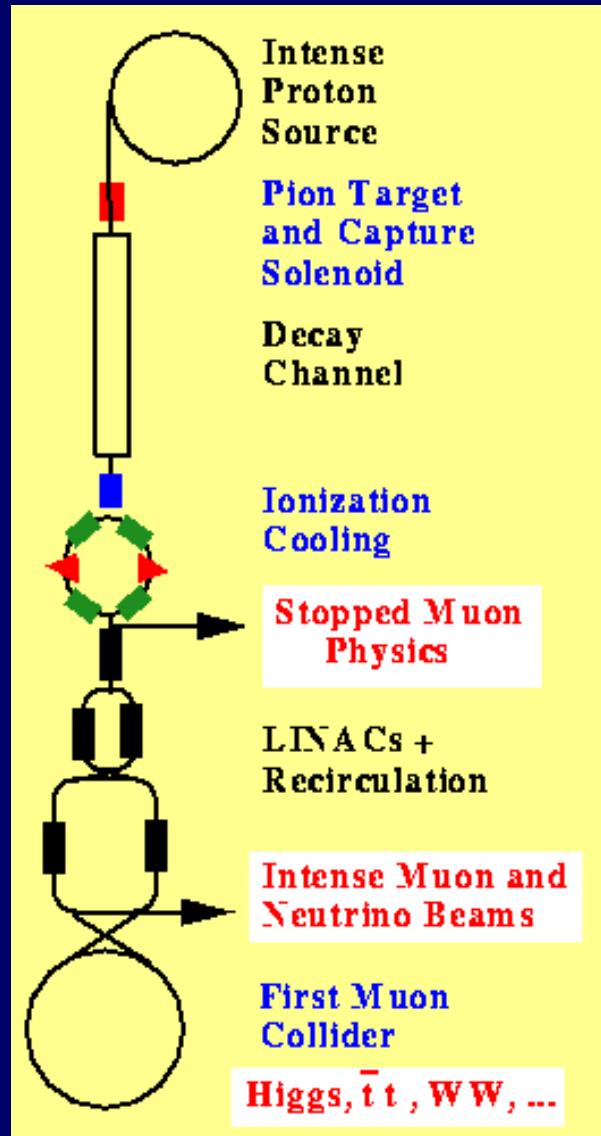
## Beyond the ILC: Plasma wakefield acceleration?



use a pre-accelerated beam through gaseous Lithium to produce a plasma which through electromagnetic interaction with the head of the beam can produce an accelerating electric field

SLAC: achieved energy increase of (tiny part) of the particle bunch of 40 GeV on 85 cm

# Colliding heavy but pointlike particles: Muon collider



challenge (far from being met):  
 provide enough muons in sufficiently  
 small phase space sufficiently fast  
 (i.e. before they decay)  
 „muon cooling“

## Upshot

Particle physics at highest energies is as fascinating as it could be  
There fundamental, well-posed questions awaiting answers  
at the Terascale

The future is not set

I'd like to see Supersymmetry – but „no Higgs, no SUSY“ will be  
at least as interesting...

Sharpening the experimental tools is a must

- Detector R&D for LHC upgrade, ILC and beyond

I would not bet that LHC and ILC will be the last (colliding)  
machines... - room for fantasy