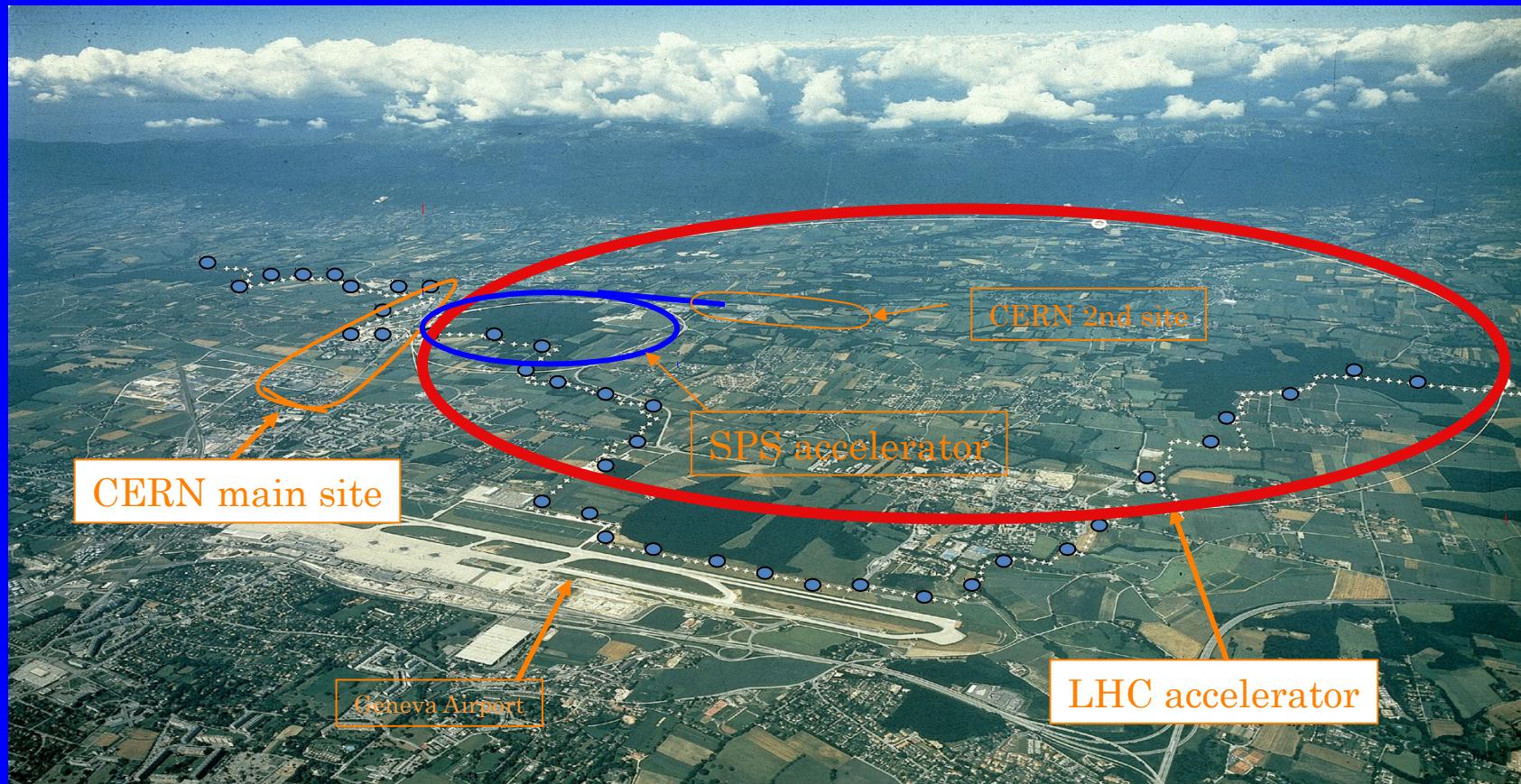




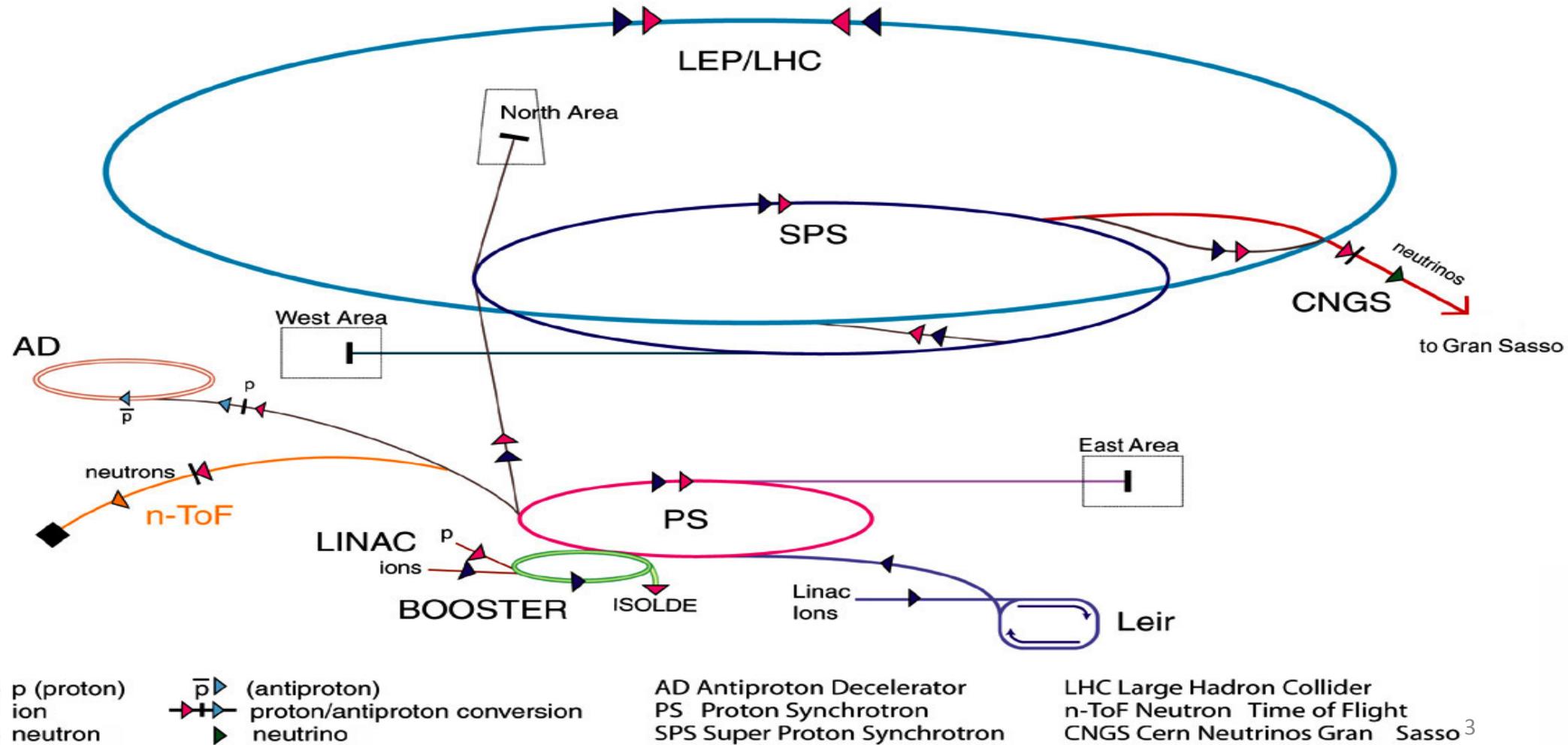
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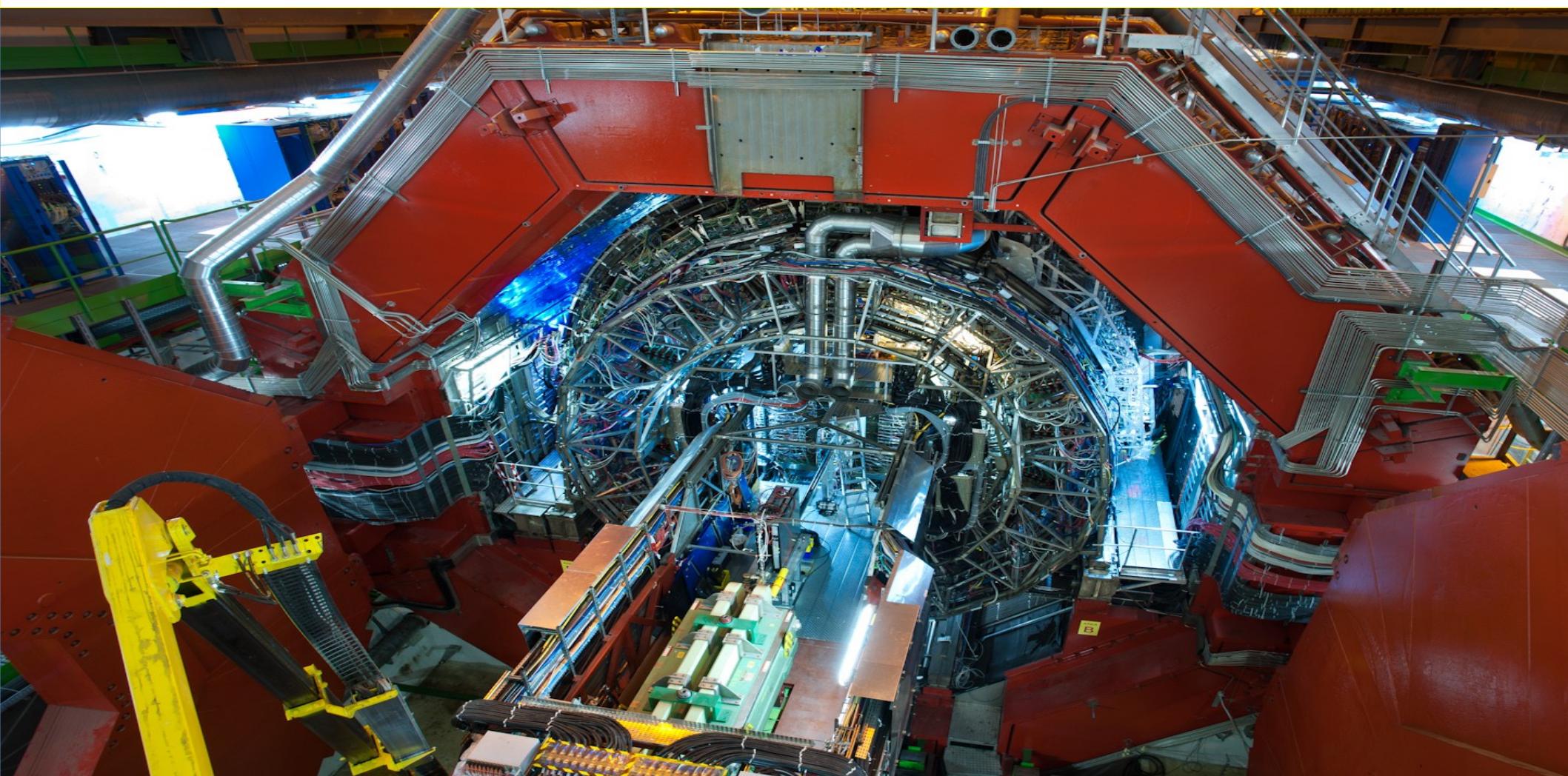
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CERN's mission : to provide accelerators for High Energy Physics (Particle Physics) experiments



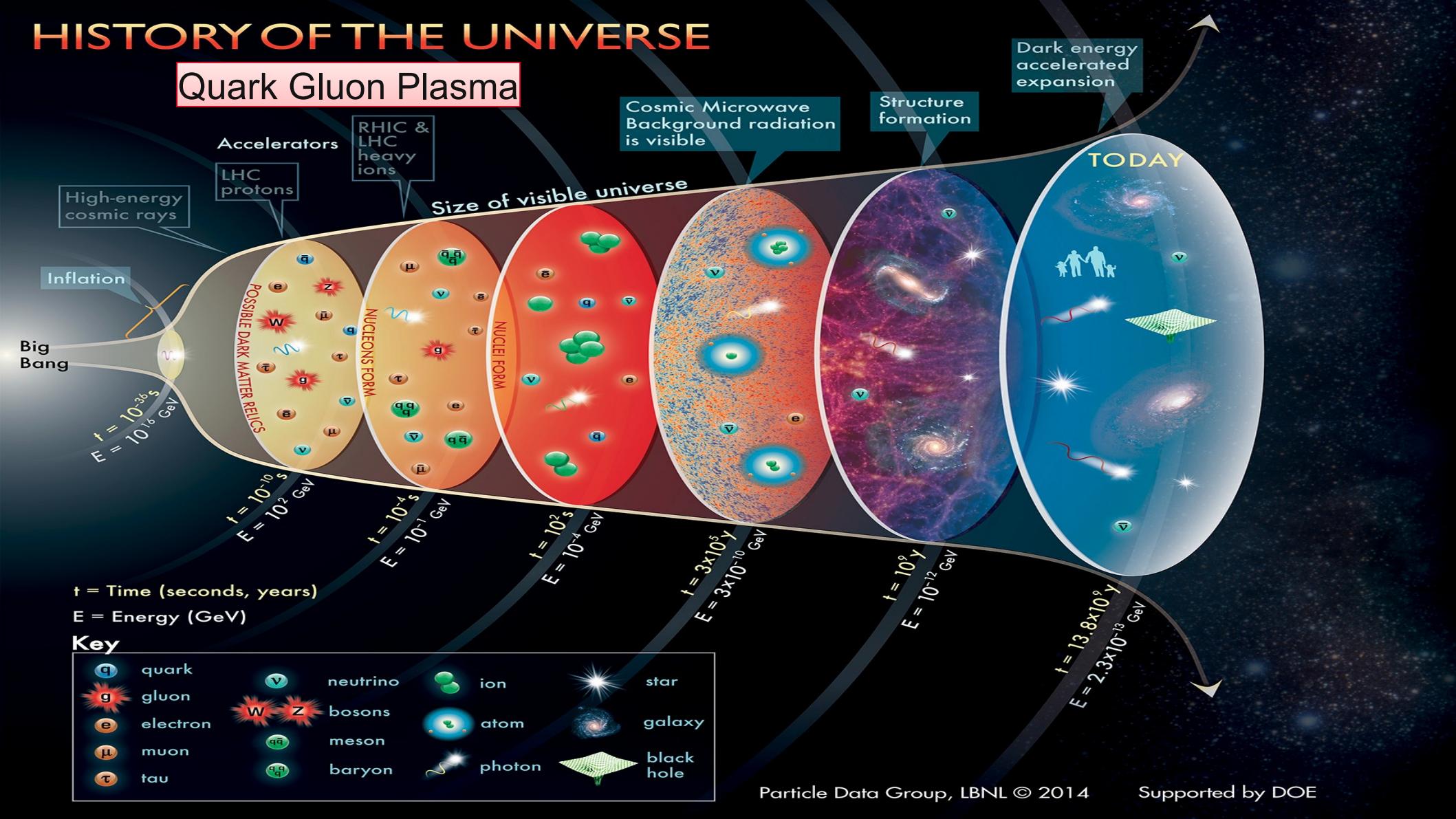
# ALICE : A Large Ion Collider Experiment



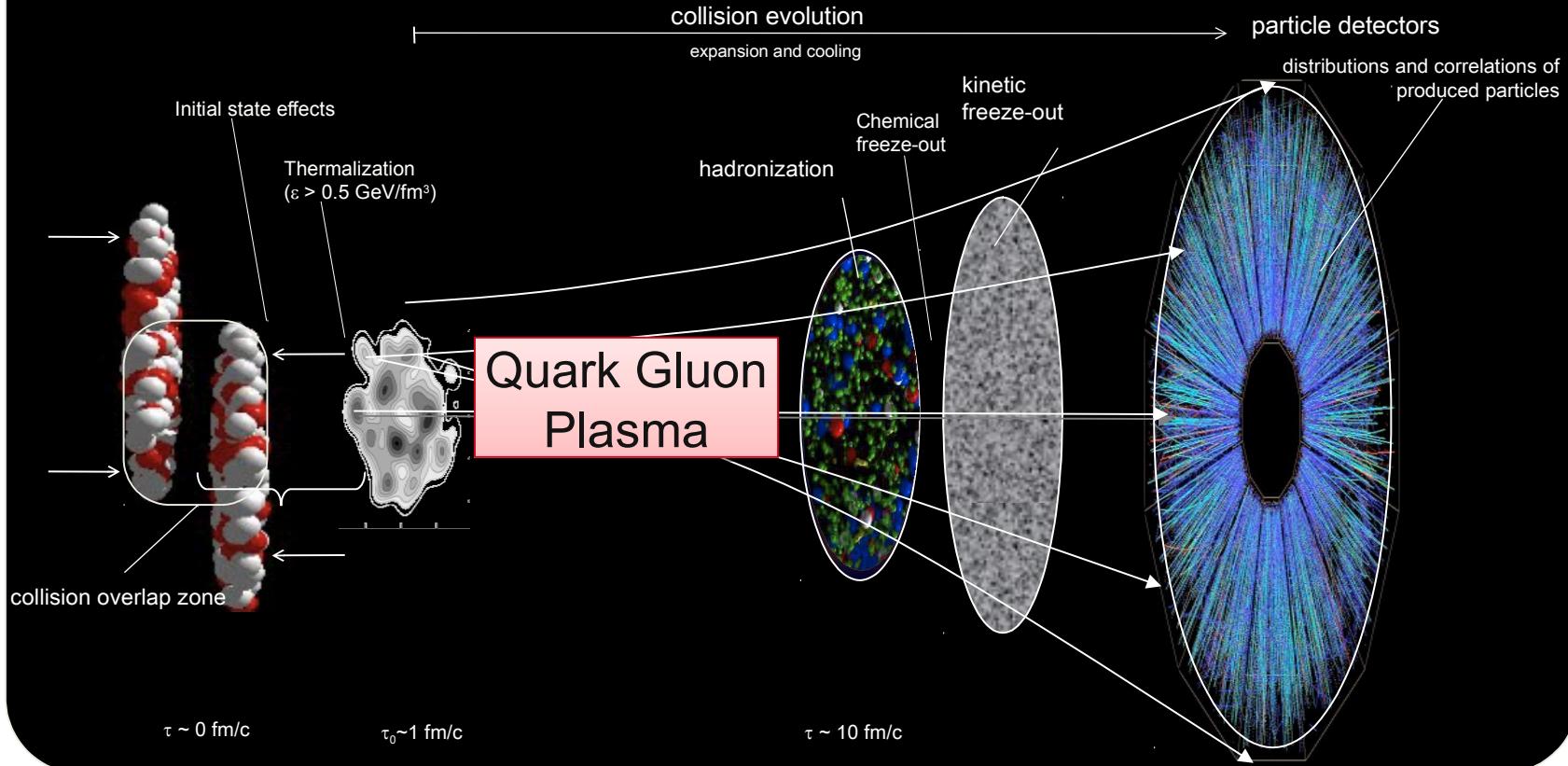
16 m x 16 m x 26 m 10 0000 tons installed 56 m underground (@ point 2 of LHC)

# HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSE

## Quark Gluon Plasma

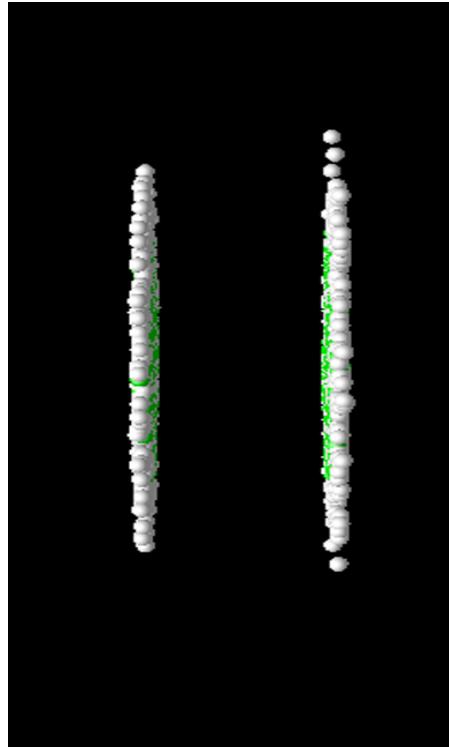


# HEAVY ION COLLISIONS

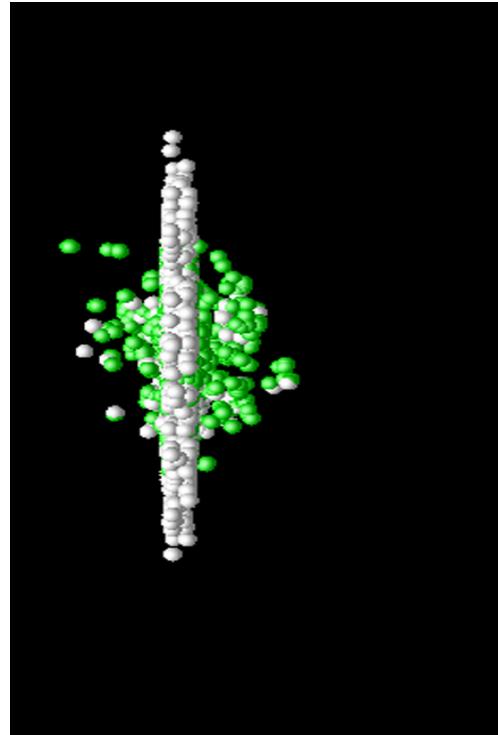


# Le mini Big Bang

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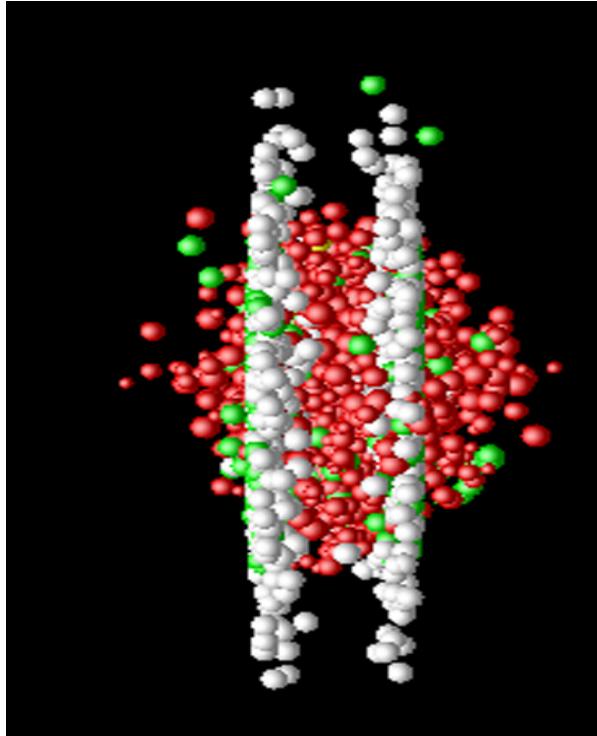


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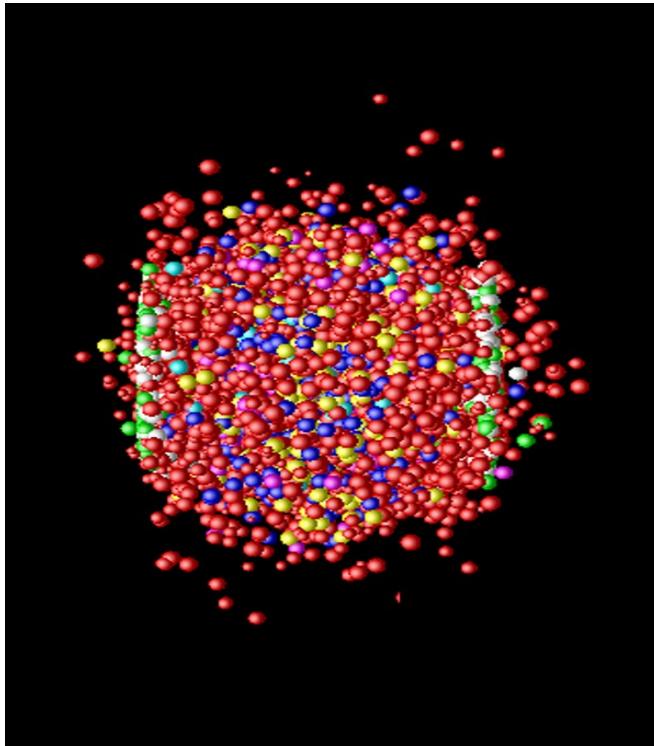
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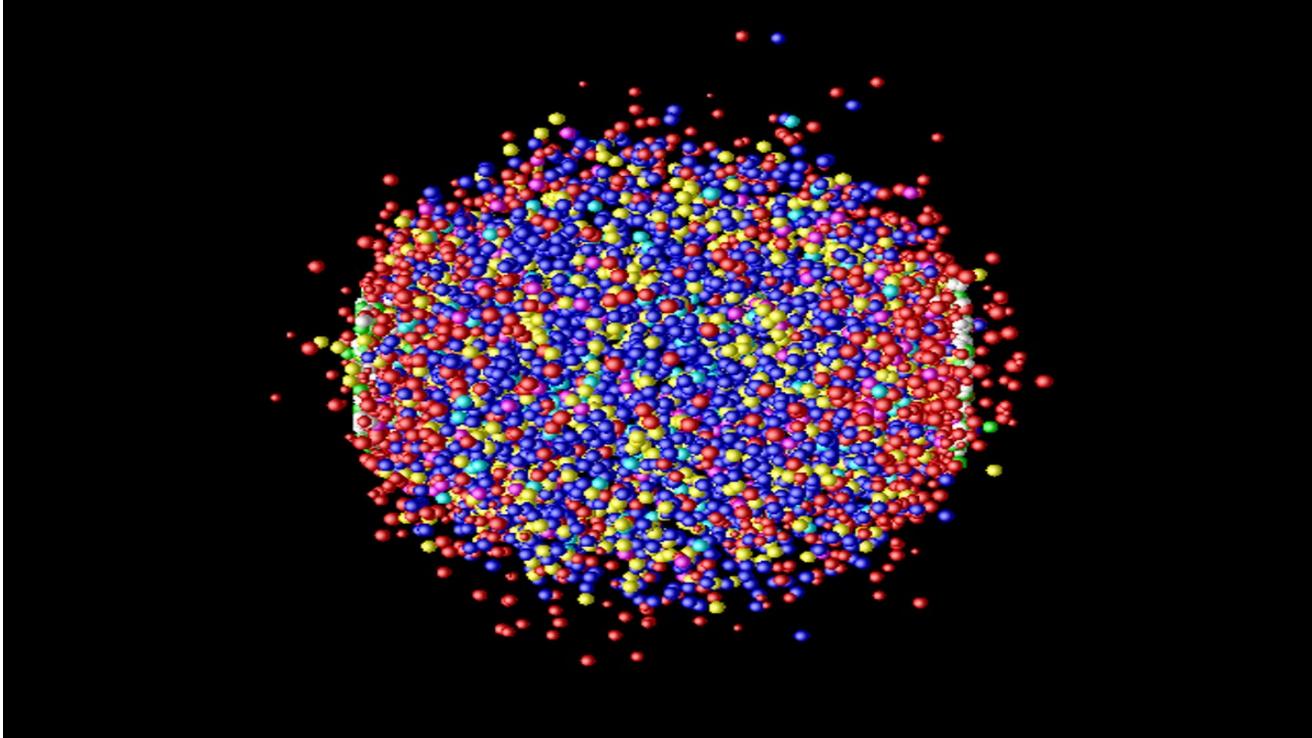
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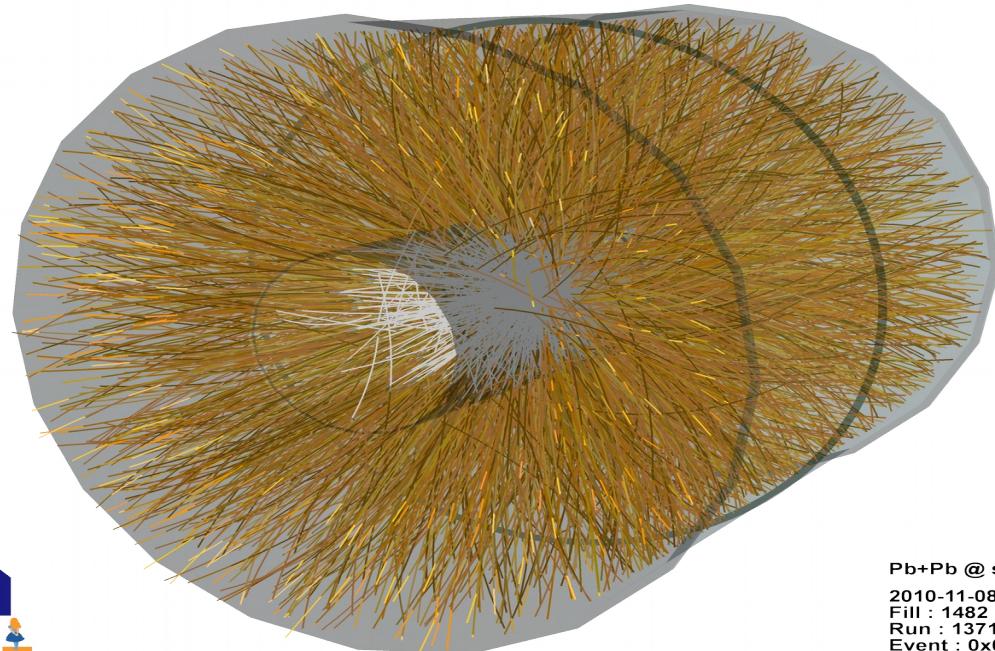
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5. Quarks et gluons condensent pour former des hadrons

# A COLLISION IN ALICE



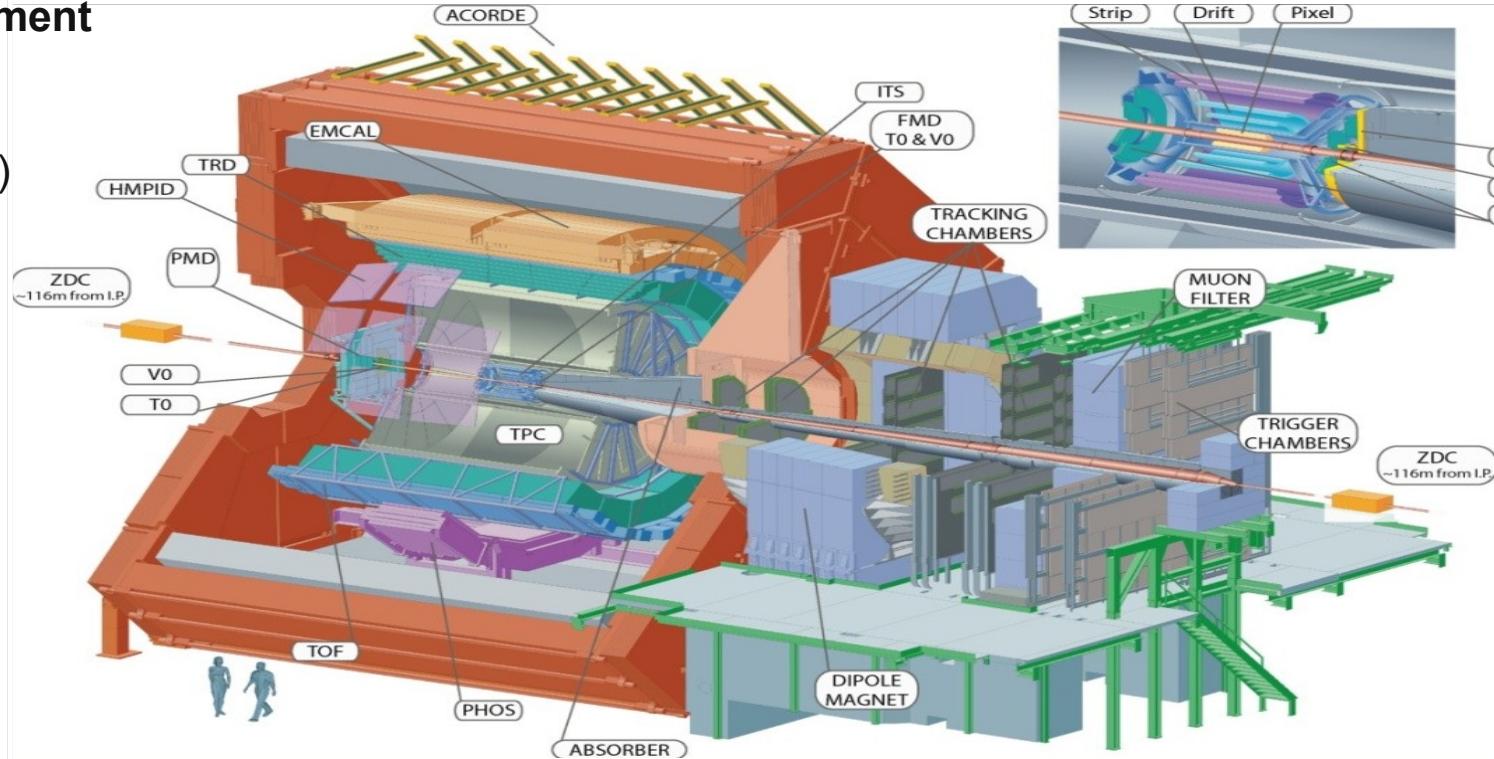
Pb+Pb @  $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$  ATeV  
2010-11-08 11:30:46  
Fill : 1482  
Run : 137124  
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~ 1600 charged particles per rapidity unit in central collisions!

# ALICE

## A Large Ion Collider Experiment

- Particle tracking  
(low momentum)
- Particle Identification (PID)



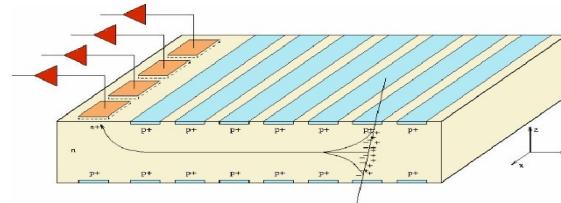
# INNER TRACKING SYSTEM

6 layers of silicon detectors for high track and vertex reconstruction with **high spatial resolution**

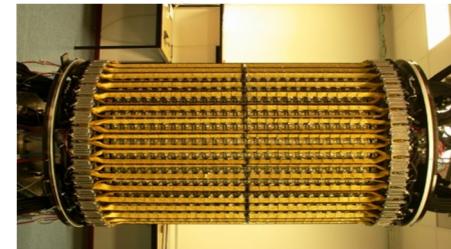
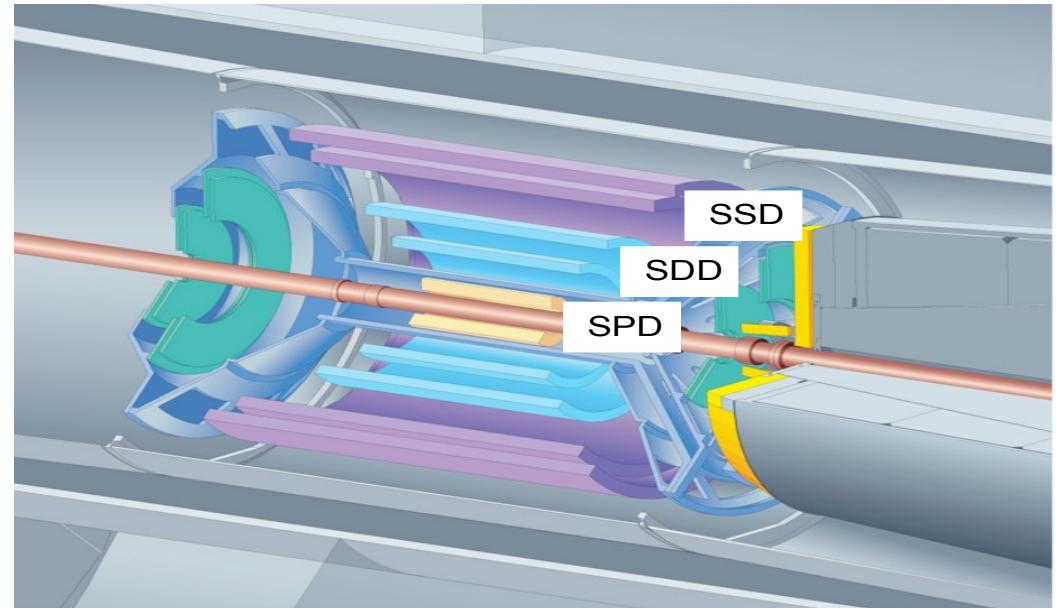
- Silicon Pixel Detector (SPD)



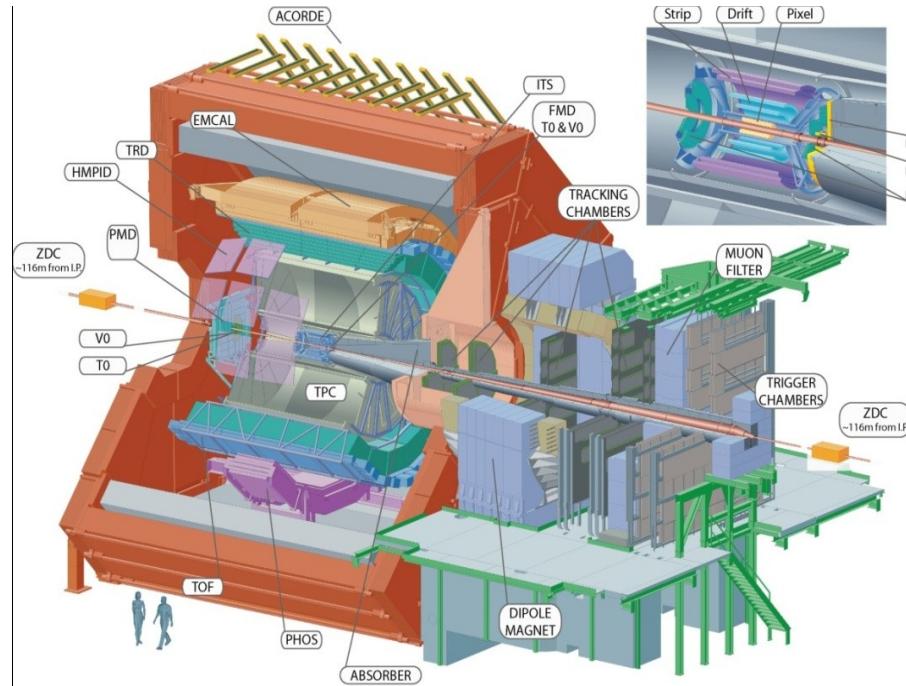
- Silicon Drift Detector (SDD)



- Silicon Strip Detector (SSD)

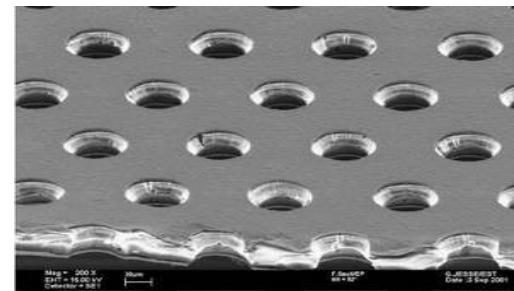
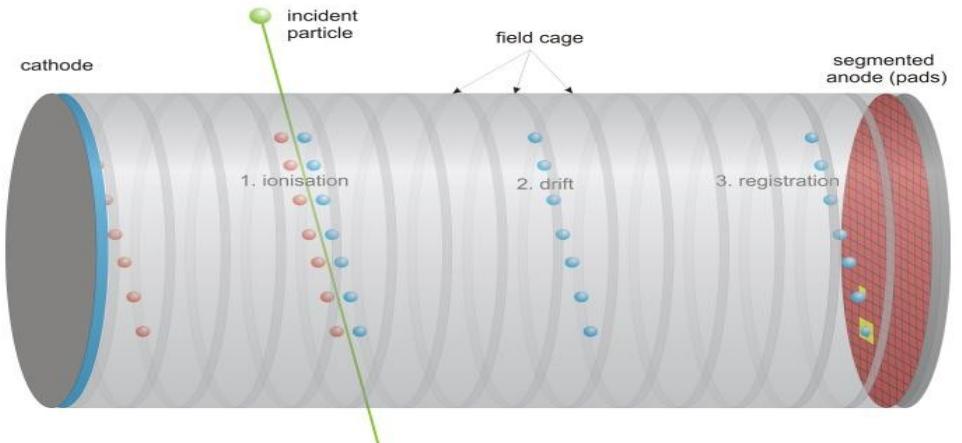
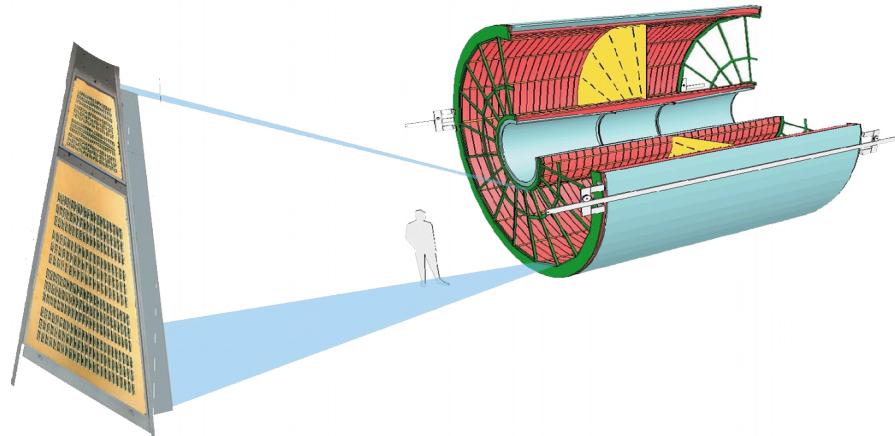


# TIME PROJECTION CHAMBER



- The “heart” of ALICE
  - Tracking
  - Particle identification
- The largest ever built in the world:  $\sim 90 \text{ m}^3$
- Designed to track up to 8000 particles per rapidity unit

# TIME PROJECTION CHAMBER

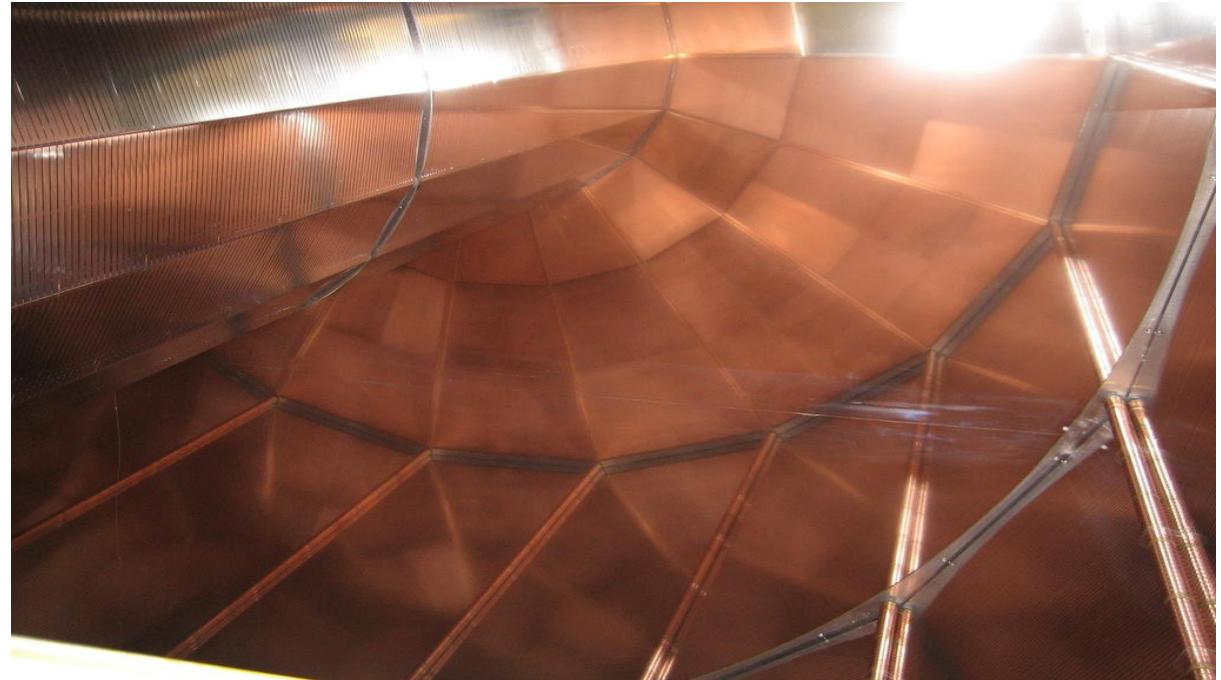


ALICE TPC readout with  
Multi Wire Proportional Chambers  
(Upgrade with GEMs in 2018/19)

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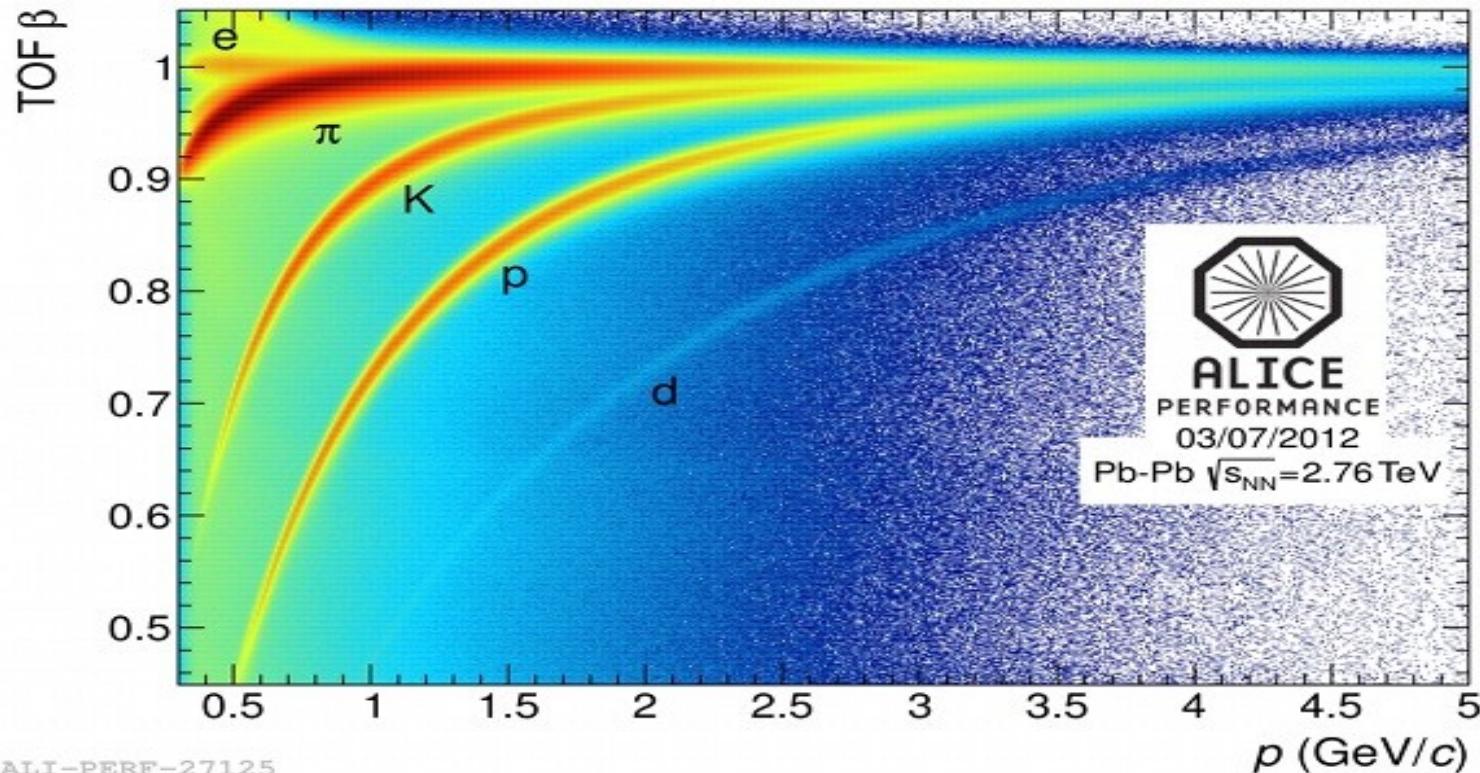
Readout chamber



Field cage, looking at the central electrode

# PID: TIME OF FLIGHT

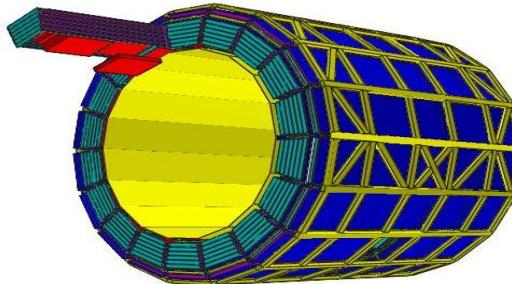
$$\tau \propto 1/\beta$$



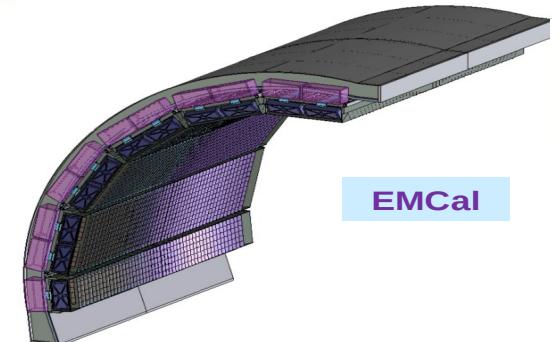
$$p = m_0 \beta \gamma c$$

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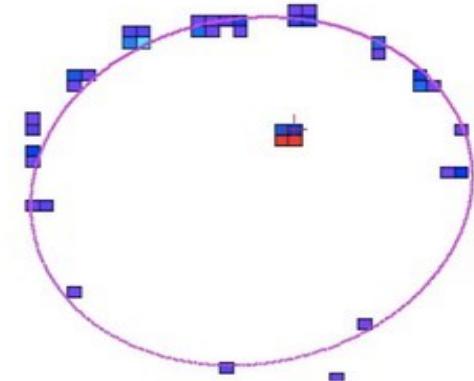
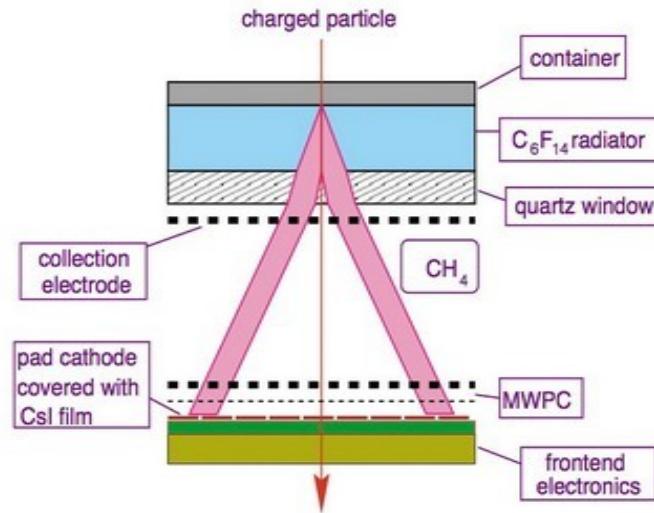
## TRANSITION RADIATION DETECTOR



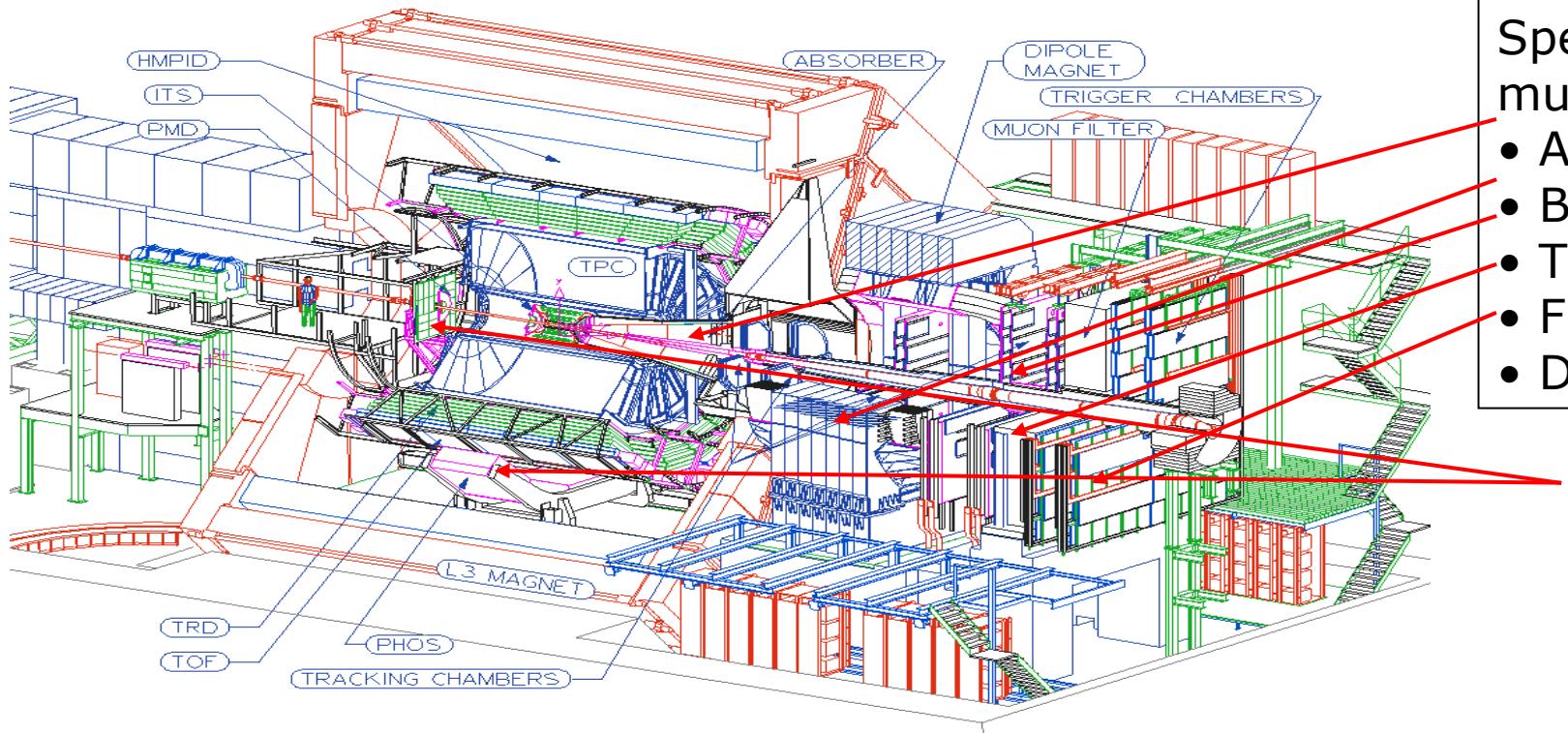
## CALORIMETERS



## CHERENKOV LIGHT DETECTOR



# ... et quelques détecteurs spécialisés



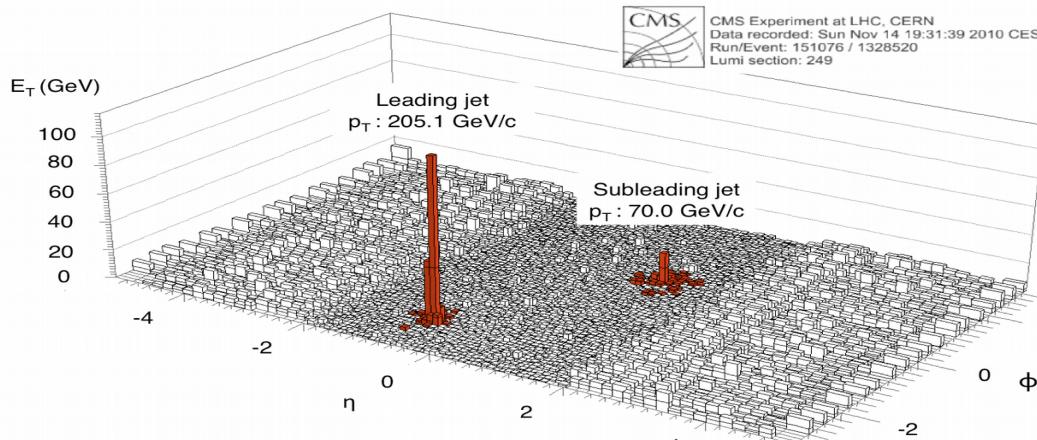
Spectromètre de muons :

- Absorbeur passif
- B dipole
- Trajectographe
- Filtre
- Déclencheur

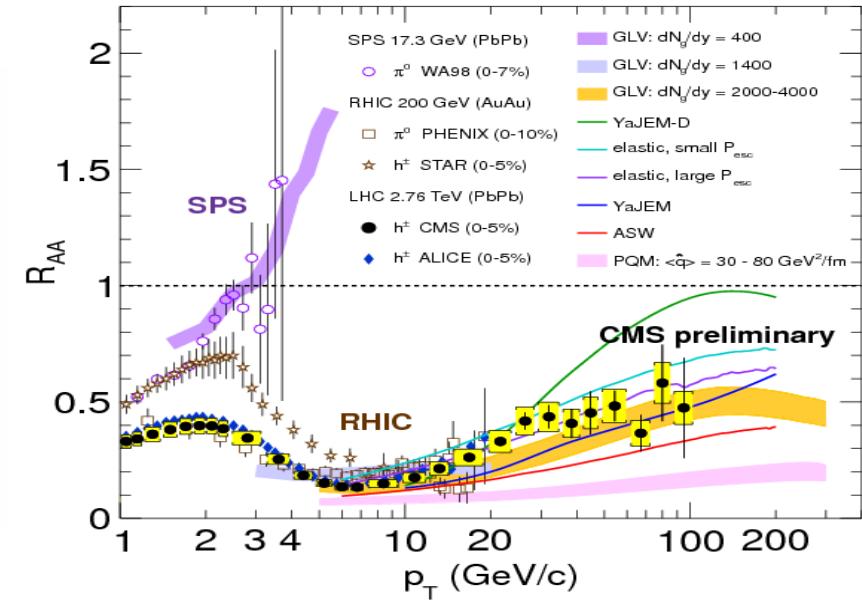
Photons

# JET QUENCHING

CMS, Phys.Rev. C84 (2011) 024906



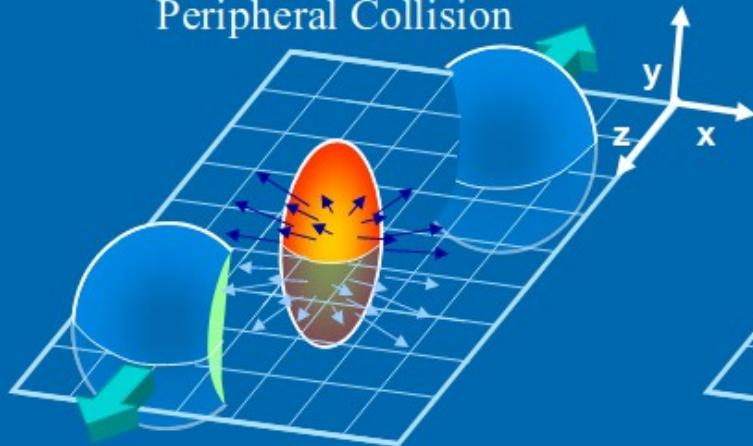
CMS Experiment at LHC, CERN  
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Lumi section: 249



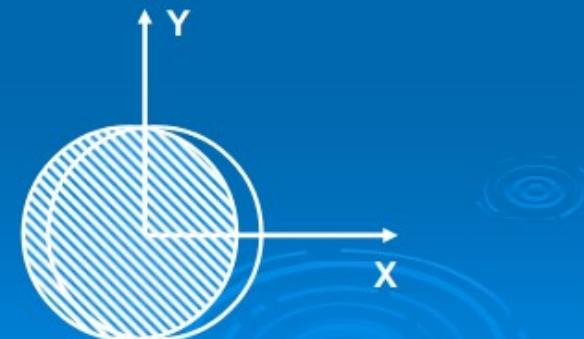
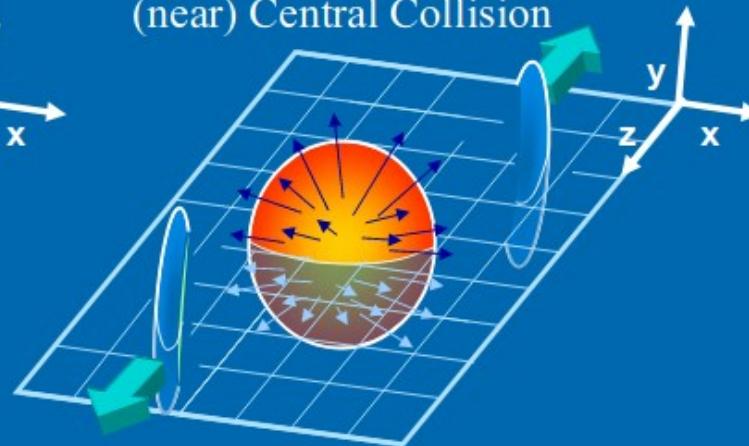
Energy loss of quarks in medium lead to quenching of jets  
and suppression of high  $p_T$  particles

# Centrality Dependence

Peripheral Collision

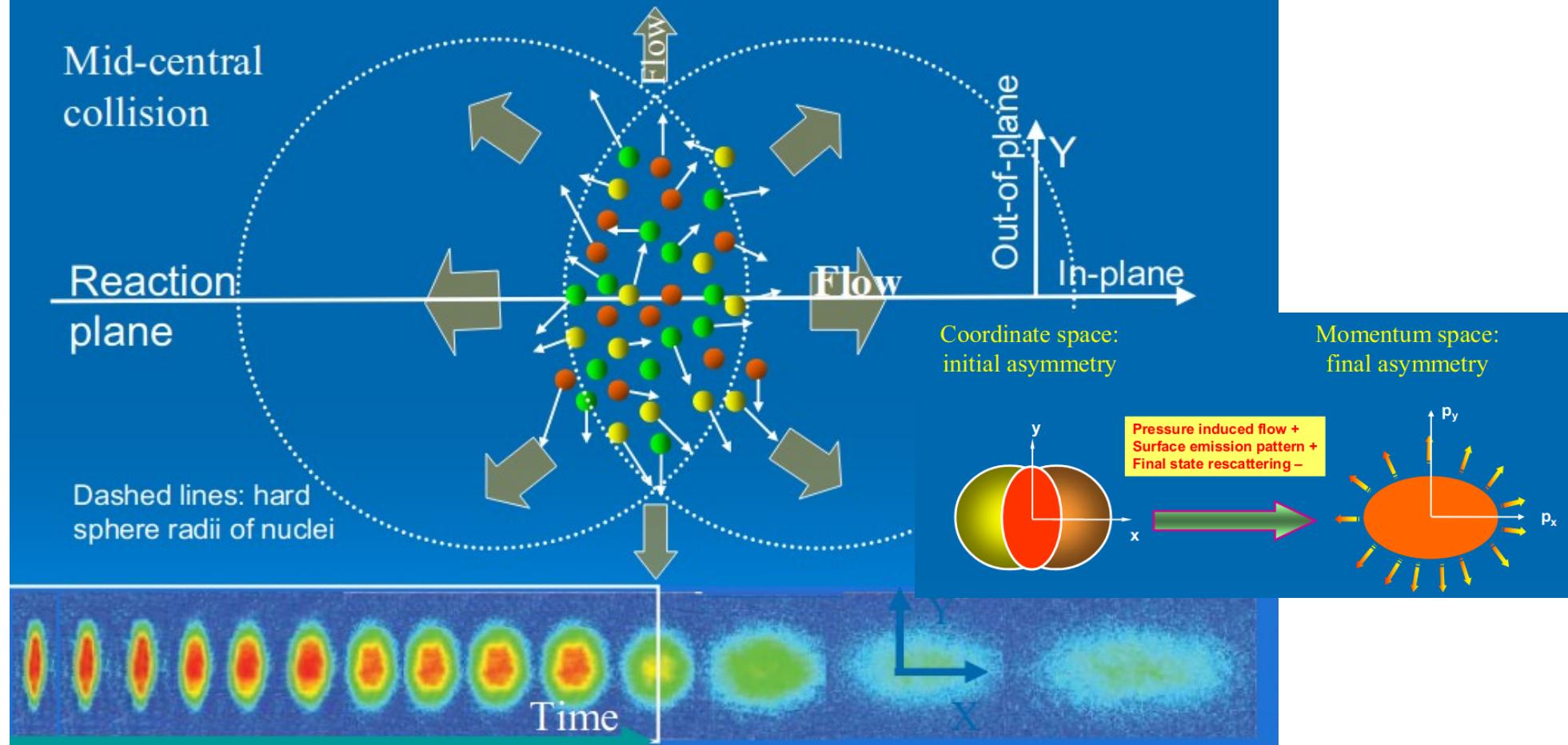


(near) Central Collision



Centrality measured by the **multiplicity** of charged particles

# Collective behavior



# Elliptic Flow

$$\frac{dX}{d\varphi} = \frac{X_0}{2\pi} \left( 1 + 2v_1 \cos(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) + 2v_2 \cos(2(\varphi - \Psi_{RP})) + \dots \right)$$



Elliptic flow coefficient

$$v_2 = \langle \cos(2(\varphi - \Psi_{RP})) \rangle$$

