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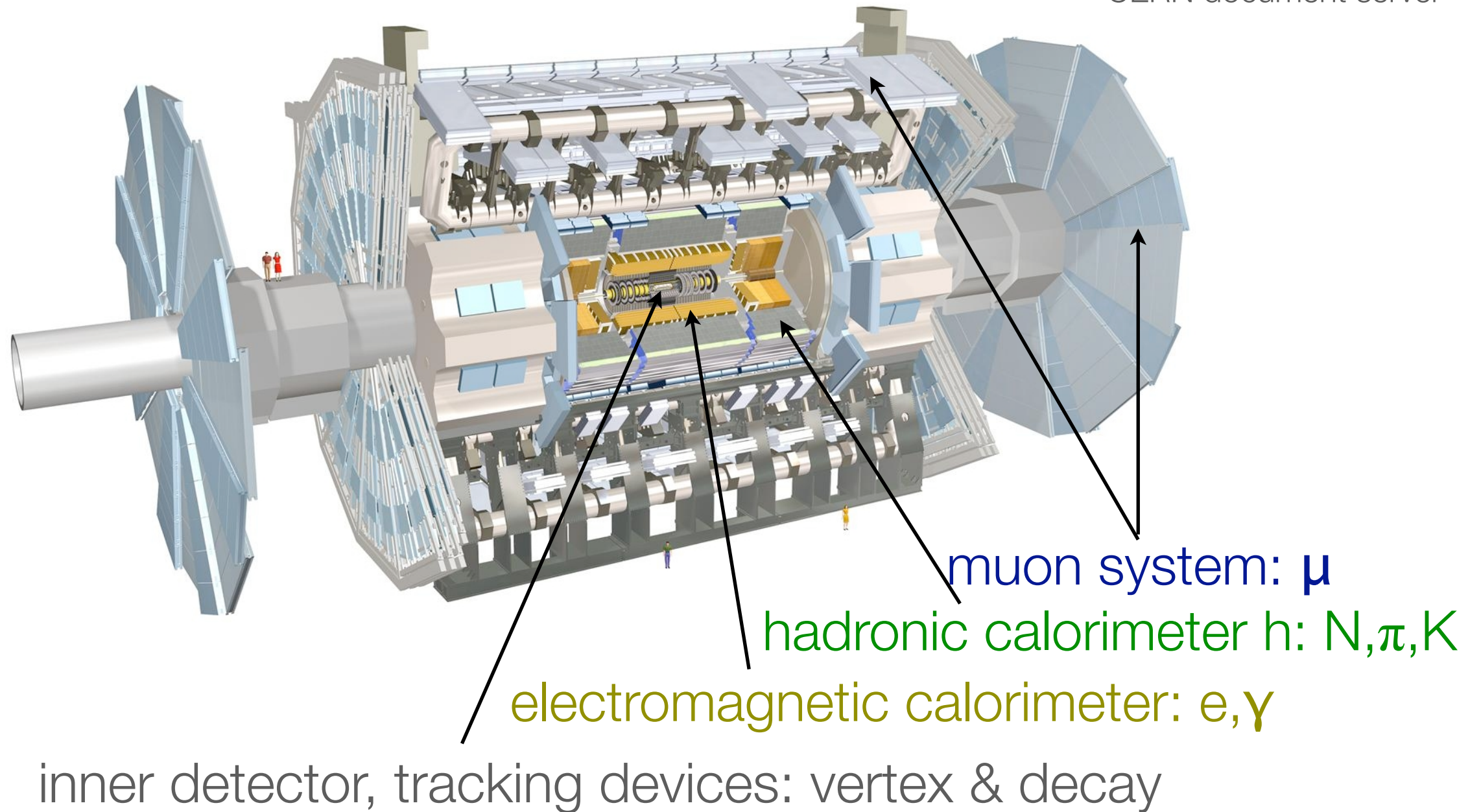
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Activities at Experimentelle Physik IV, TU Dortmund

- Within the ATLAS collaboration
- Main activities so far:
 - ATLAS pixel detector, sensor, modules, commissioning
 - Analysis preparation, top quark physics, SUSY (stop)
- Within the COBRA collaboration
 - Search for neutrinoless double beta decay, Majorana neutrinos, LFV

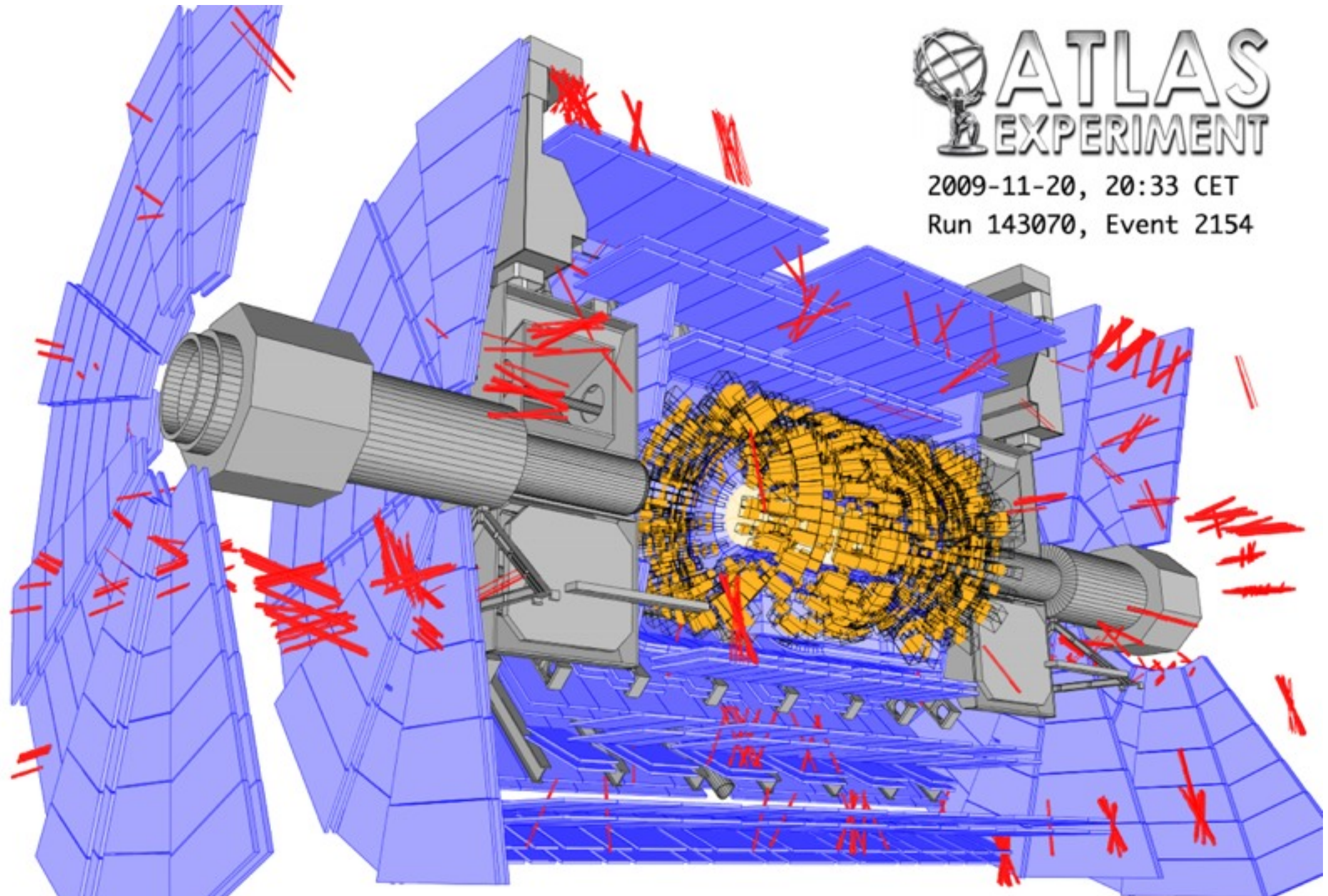
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<http://atlas.web.cern.ch/Atlas/public/EVTDISPLAY/events.html>



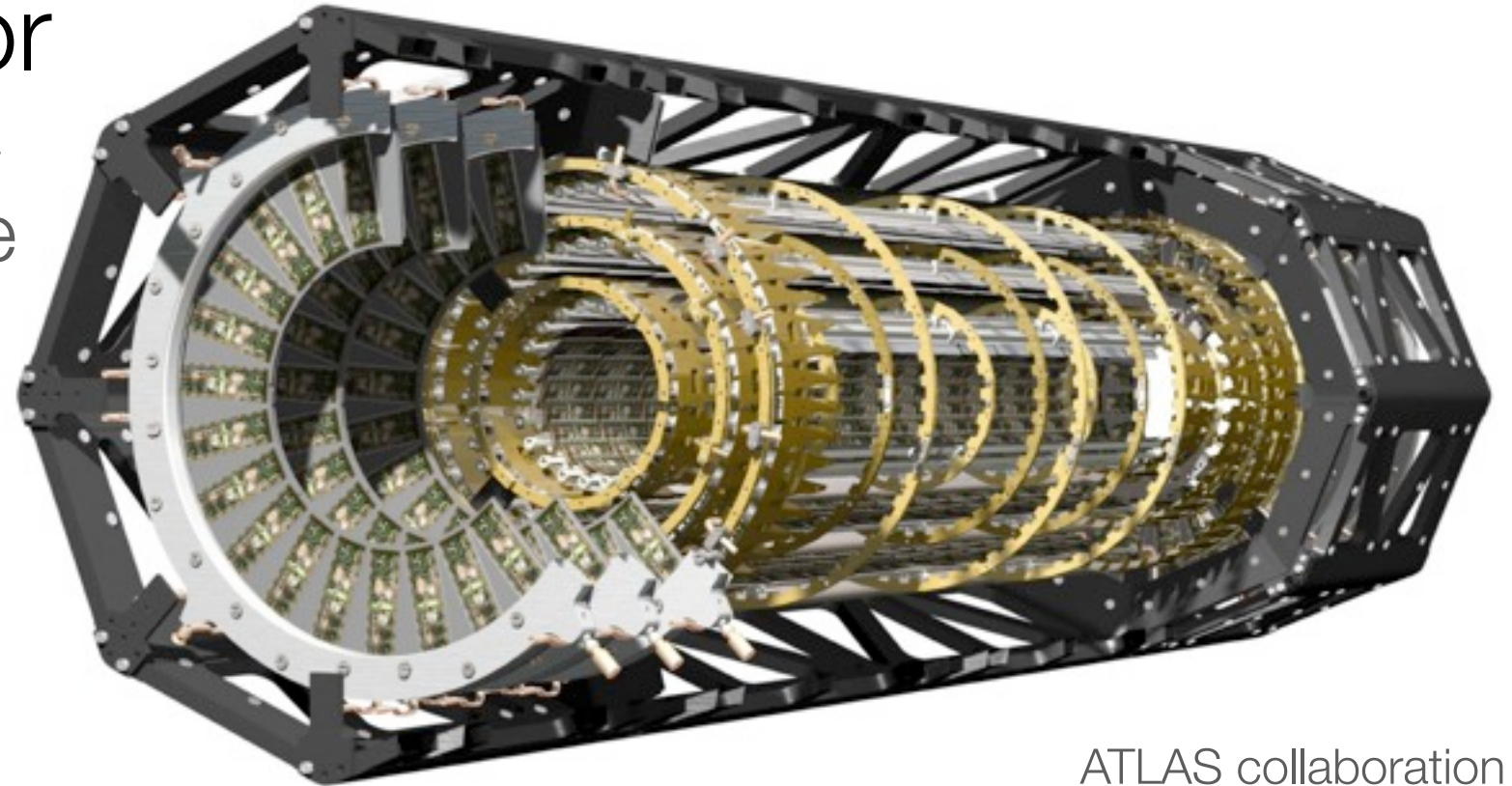
ATLAS
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First Beam Splash Event 2009

ATLAS Pixel Detector

as tracking & vertex device

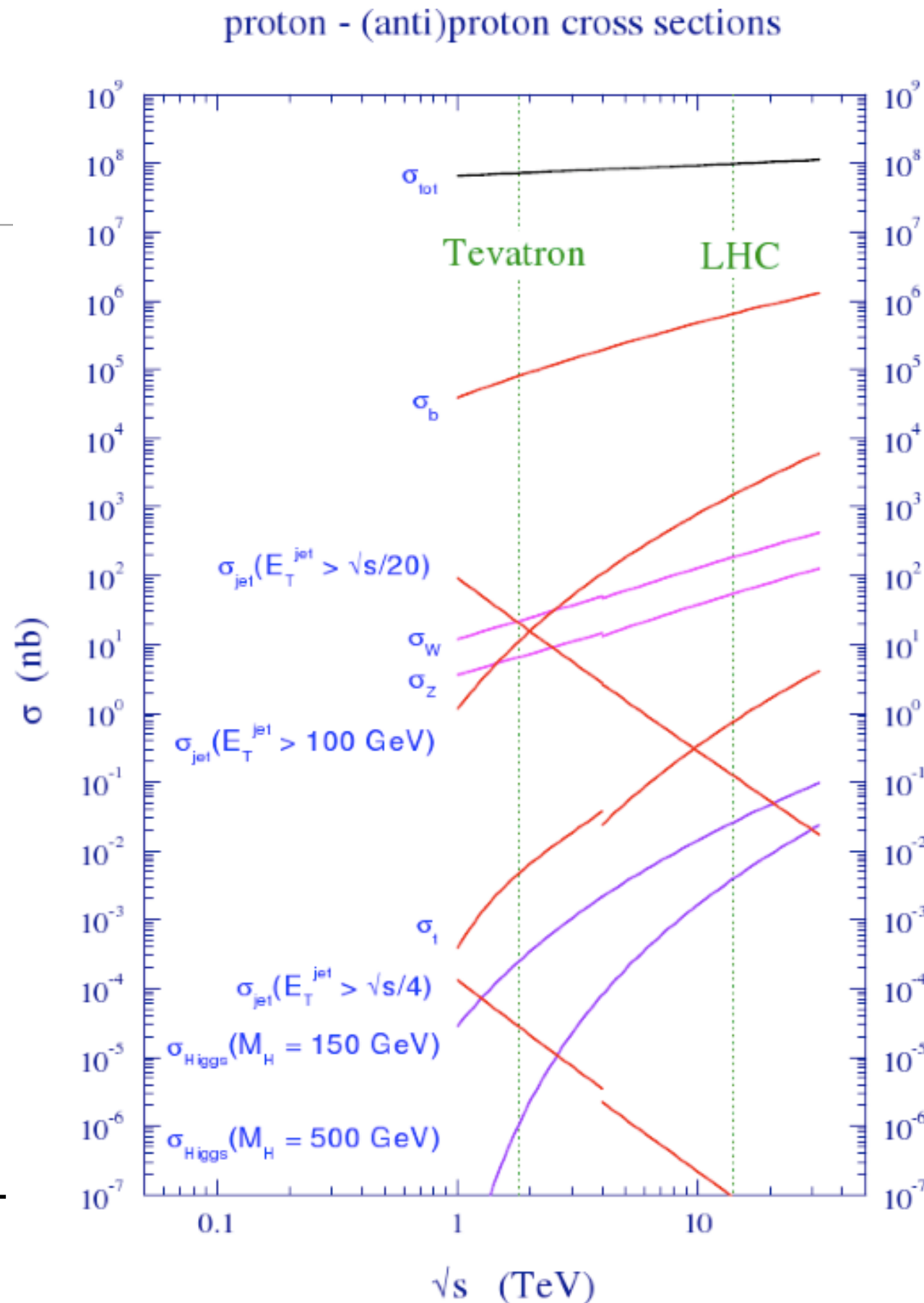


- barrel and disc geometry
pseudo-rapidity $|\eta| < 2.5$
- pixels of $50\text{ }\mu\text{m} \times 400\text{ }\mu\text{m}$
80 million read-out channels
- vertex resolution $< 20\text{ }\mu\text{m}$
- vertex and secondary vertex resolution capabilities to determine production vertices in high luminosity environment
and to determine decay vertices of long-lived (ps) particles,
e.g. taus, b-hadrons, new physics e.g. in case of long-lived scalar tops

ATLAS collaboration
The ATLAS Experiment at the
CERN Large Hadron Collider
JINST 3 S08003 (2008)

Physics

production cross sections at hadron colliders



center of mass collision energy

S. Catani, Aspects of QCD,
from the Tevatron to the LHC
arXiv:hep-ph/0005233

expected event rate
(per second)

@ $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
(@ $1 \text{ nb}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$)

standard model
physics

top quark

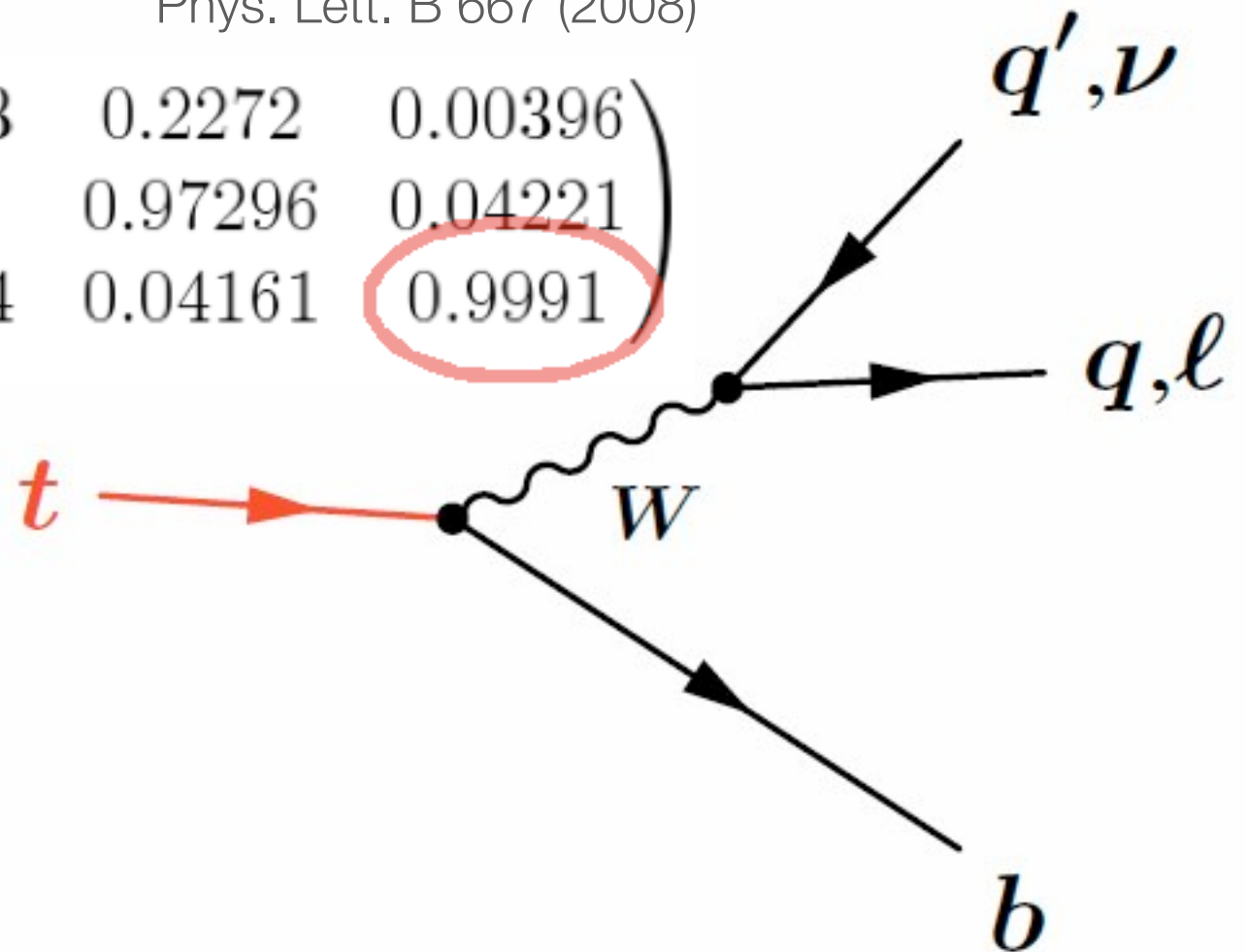
new particles

Decay Length Method

Decay of Top Quarks

PDG, Review of Particle Physics
Phys. Lett. B 667 (2008)

$$\begin{pmatrix} |V_{ud}| & |V_{us}| & |V_{ub}| \\ |V_{cd}| & |V_{cs}| & |V_{cb}| \\ |V_{td}| & |V_{ts}| & |V_{tb}| \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.97383 & 0.2272 & 0.00396 \\ 0.2271 & 0.97296 & 0.04221 \\ 0.00814 & 0.04161 & 0.9991 \end{pmatrix}$$



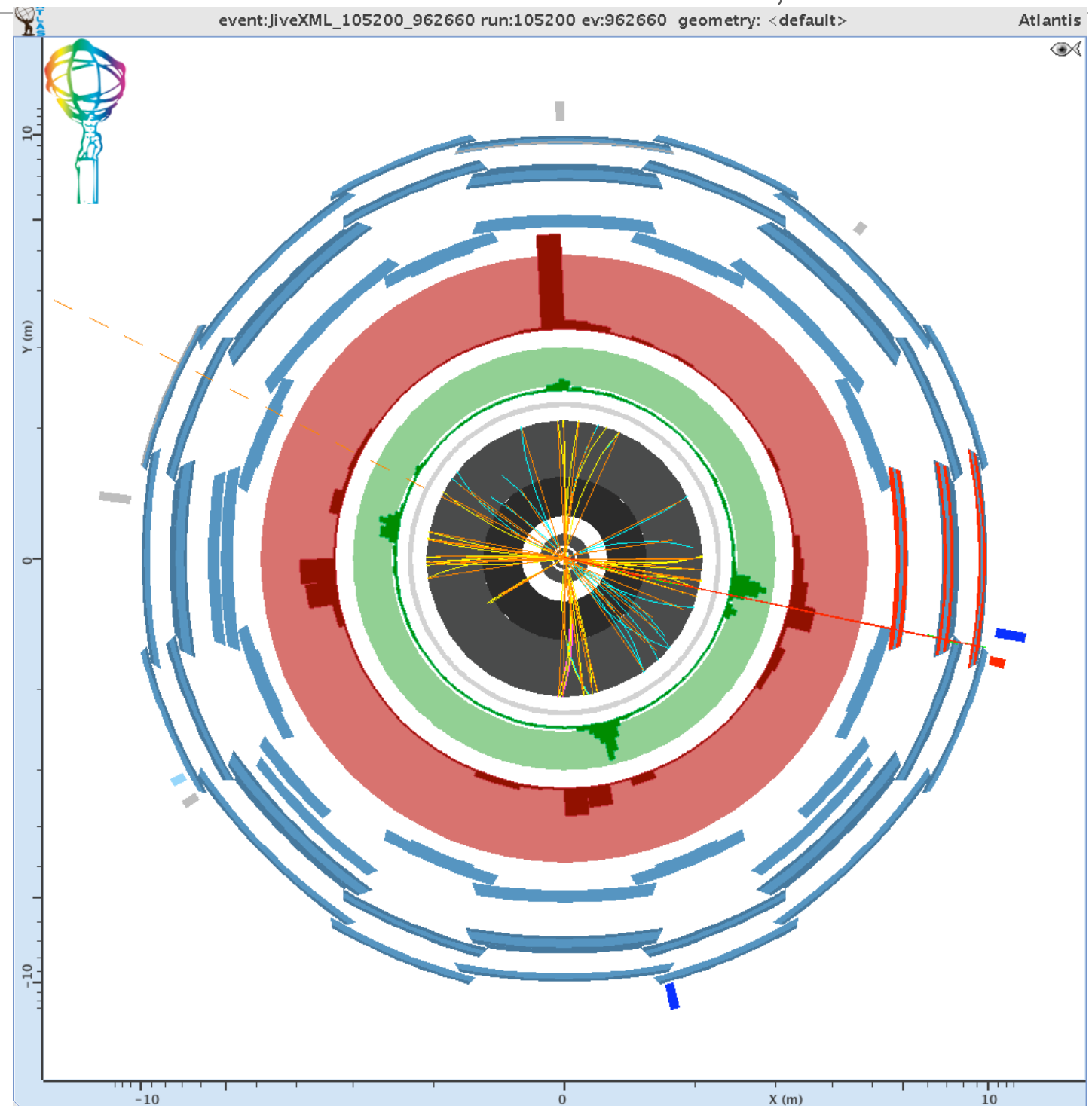
W delivers either quark- or lepton pairs

b quark is a characteristics of the top quark decay

Detection & Identification of Top Quarks

M. Bunse, TU Dortmund

- e.g. in the so-called 1-lepton channel
 $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow \mu\nu bjjb$
- signature:
 - 4 jets (2j+2b)
 - + 1 myon
 - + missing energy



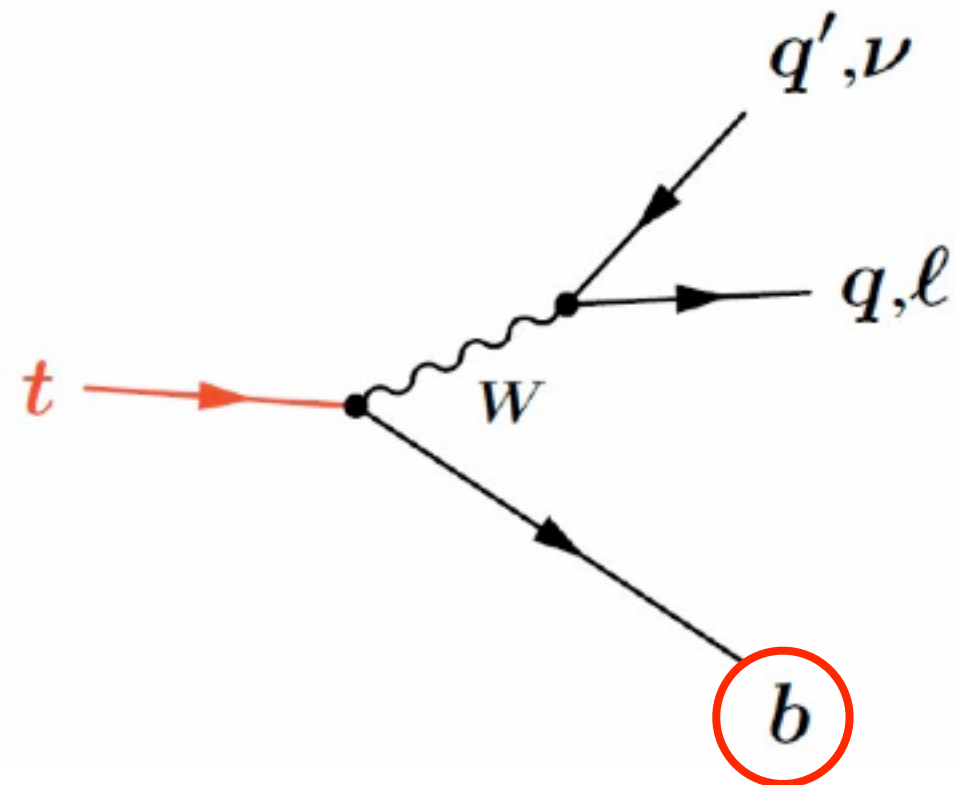
Decay Length Method applied to top quark decays

- b hadron receives boost due to mass (energy) of the top quark

$$\gamma_b \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_t^2 + m_b^2 - m_W^2}{m_b m_t}$$

- Life time and decay length of b hadron will receive dilatation

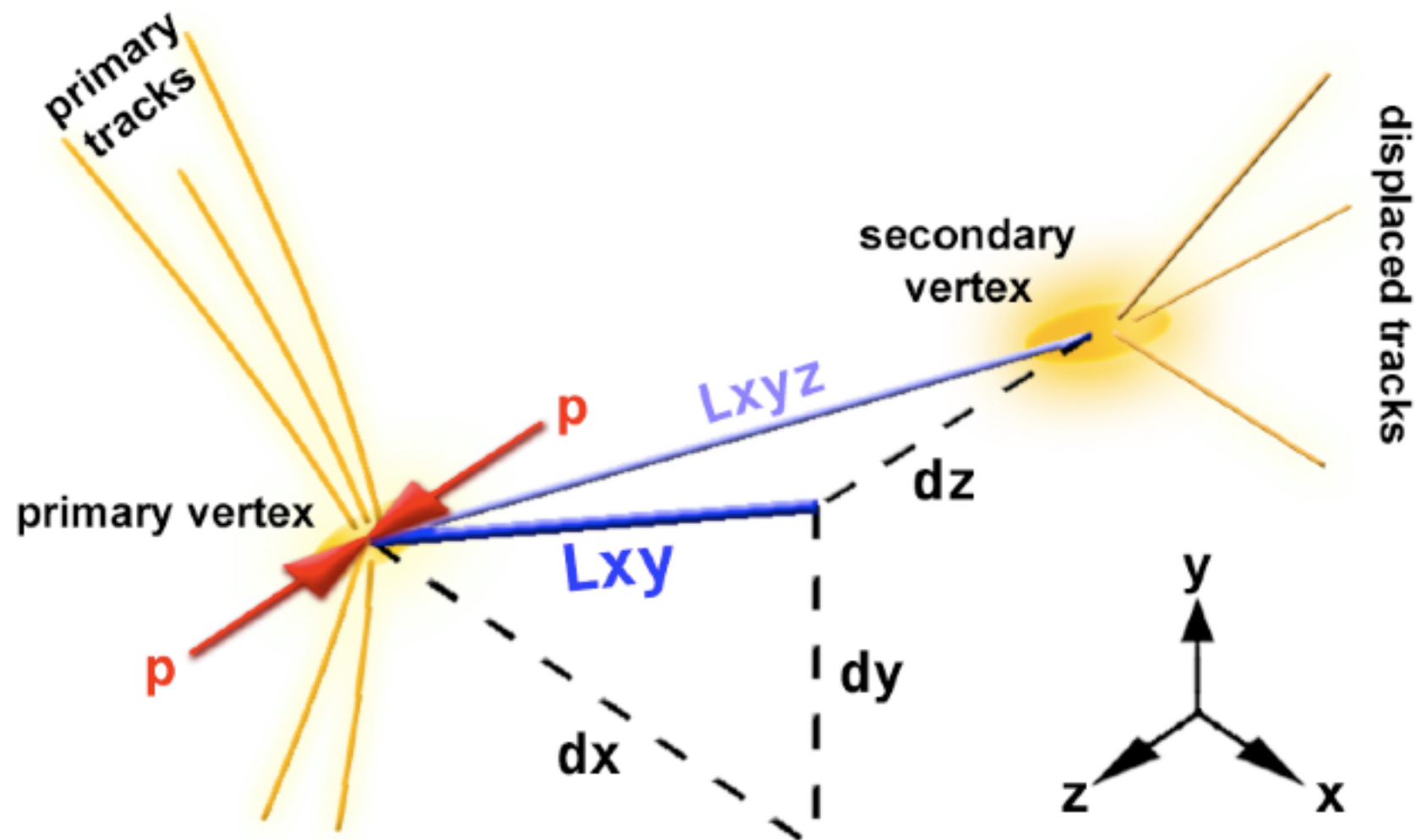
$$L_b = c\tau_b\beta_b\gamma_b$$



C. S. Hill, J. R. Incandela, J. M. Lamb: Method for measurement of the top quark mass using the mean decay length of b hadrons in $t\bar{t}$ events
Phys. Rev. D 71 (2005) 054029

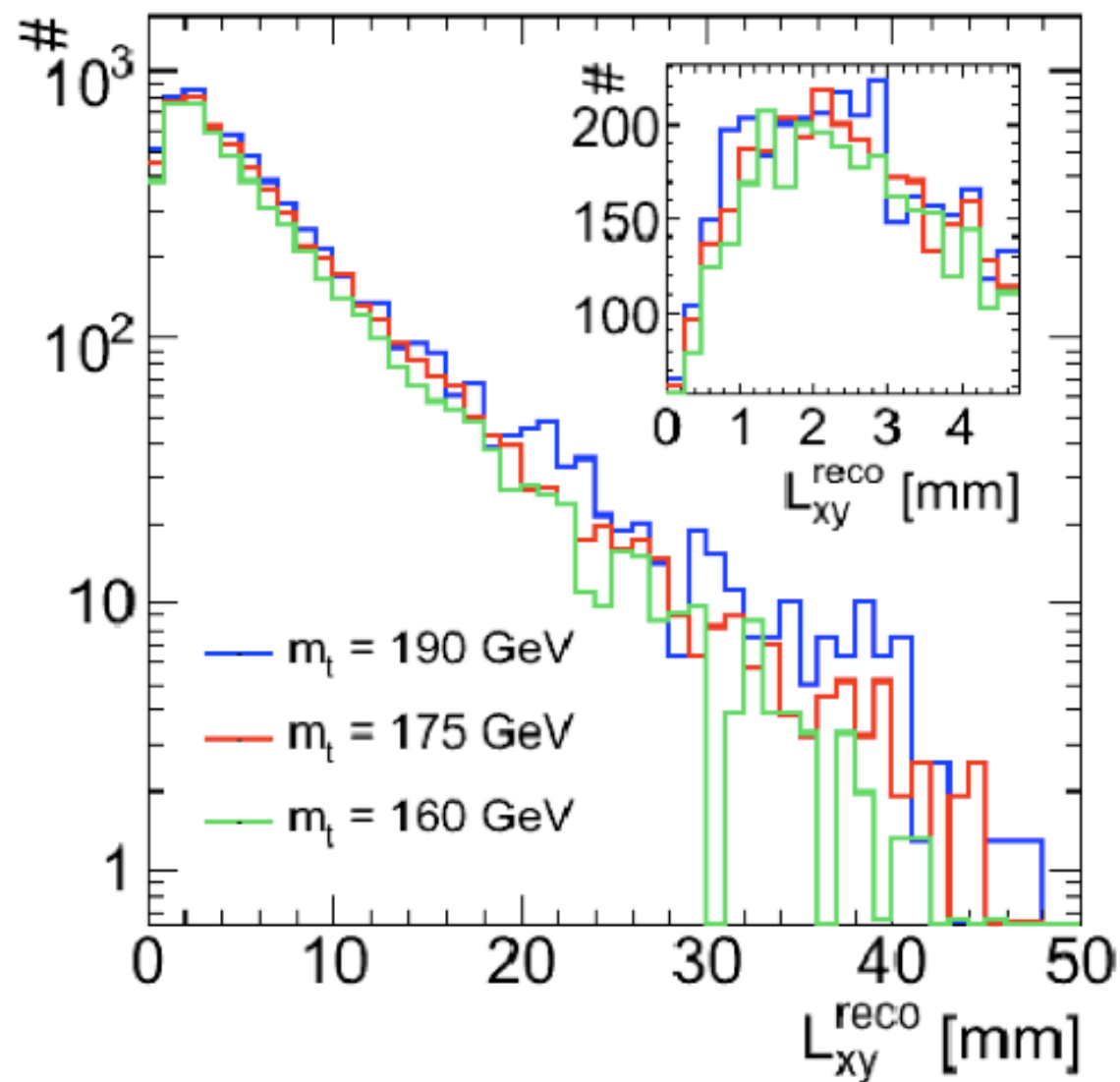
Experimental Observal: Measurement of the (transverse) Decay Length

J. Walbersloh, TU Dortmund

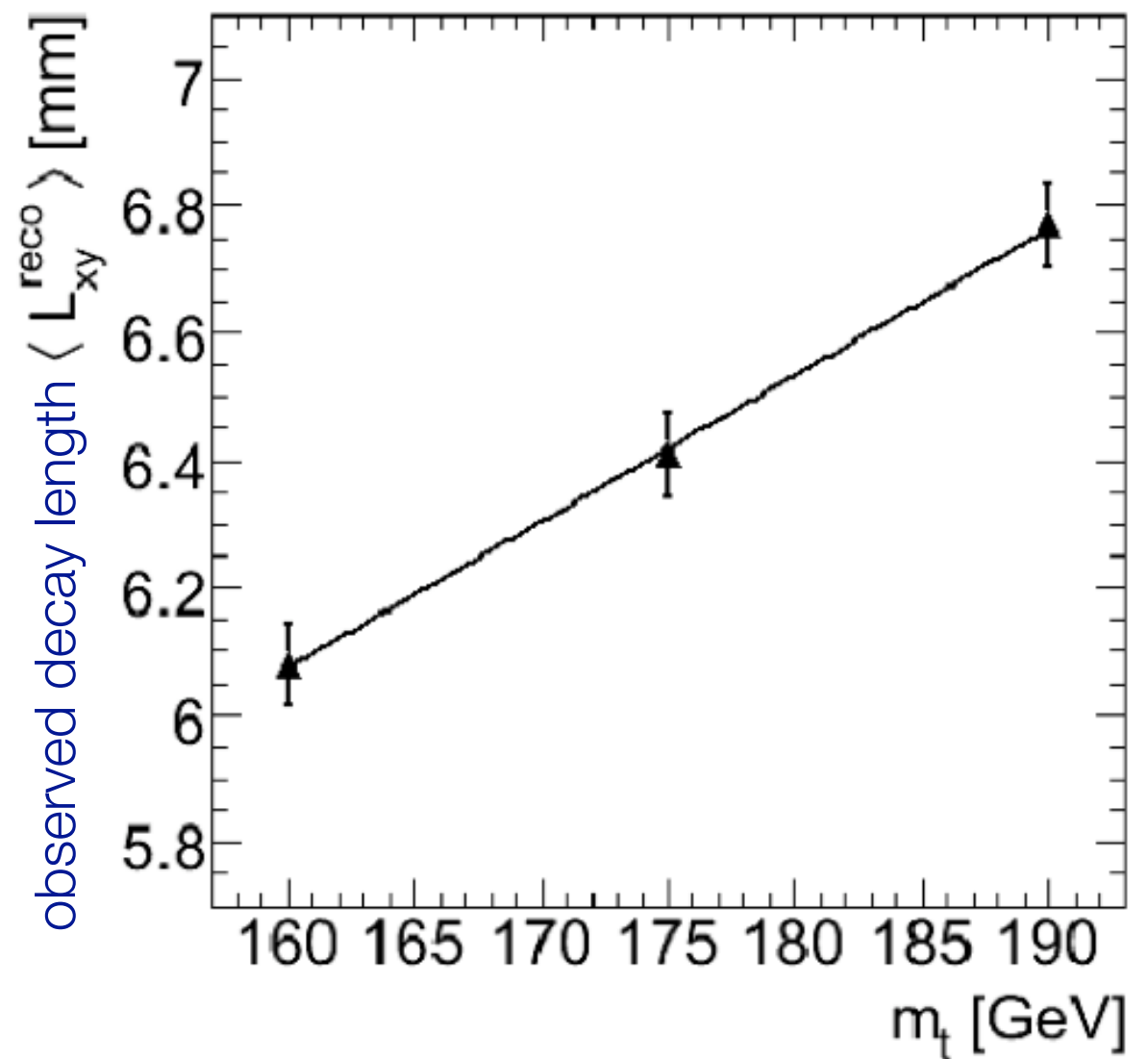


Mass Estimator for Top Quarks

J. Walbersloh, PhD Thesis TU Dortmund (2009)



distribution of b decay lengths
emerging from top quarks



assumed mass of the top quark

Summary of Mass Determination Methods

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TEVEWWG/top 2009/03
CDF Note 9717
DØ Note 5899
March 2009

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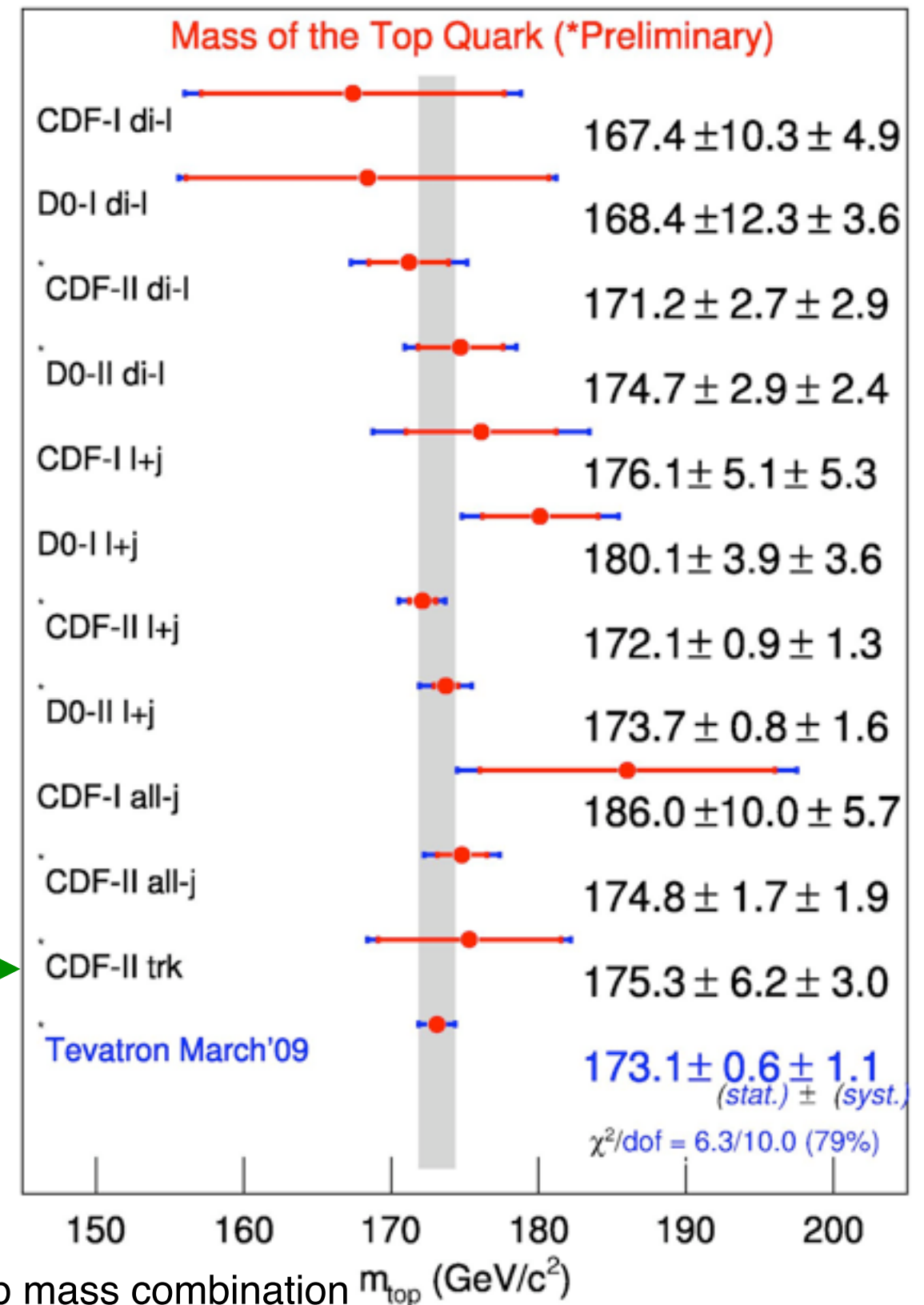
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decay length method @ CDF/Tevatron →

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arXiv:0903.2503

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- expect large mass splitting between $\tilde{t}_1$ and $\tilde{t}_2$ due to large L-R mass mixing
- flavour diagonal decay channels are suppressed or forbidden
- stop quark $\tilde{t}_1$ decays CKM suppressed via flavour changing neutral current loop decay into charm and lightest neutralino

(Hiller et al.: arXiv:0910.2124v1, arXiv:0802.0916v1)

$$\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow c\tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

$$\Gamma \approx \frac{m_{\tilde{t}_1} Y^2}{4\pi} \left(\frac{\Delta m}{m_{\tilde{t}_1}} \right)^2$$

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \approx \mathcal{O}(1 \dots 10 \text{ ps})$$

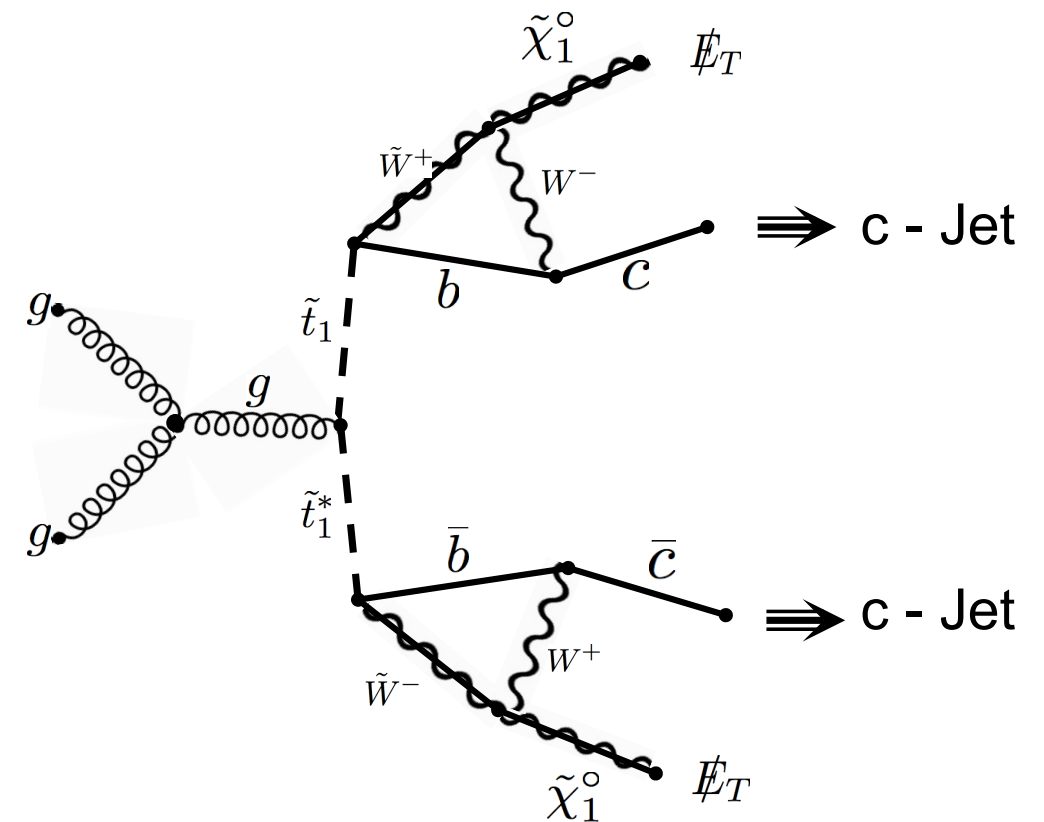
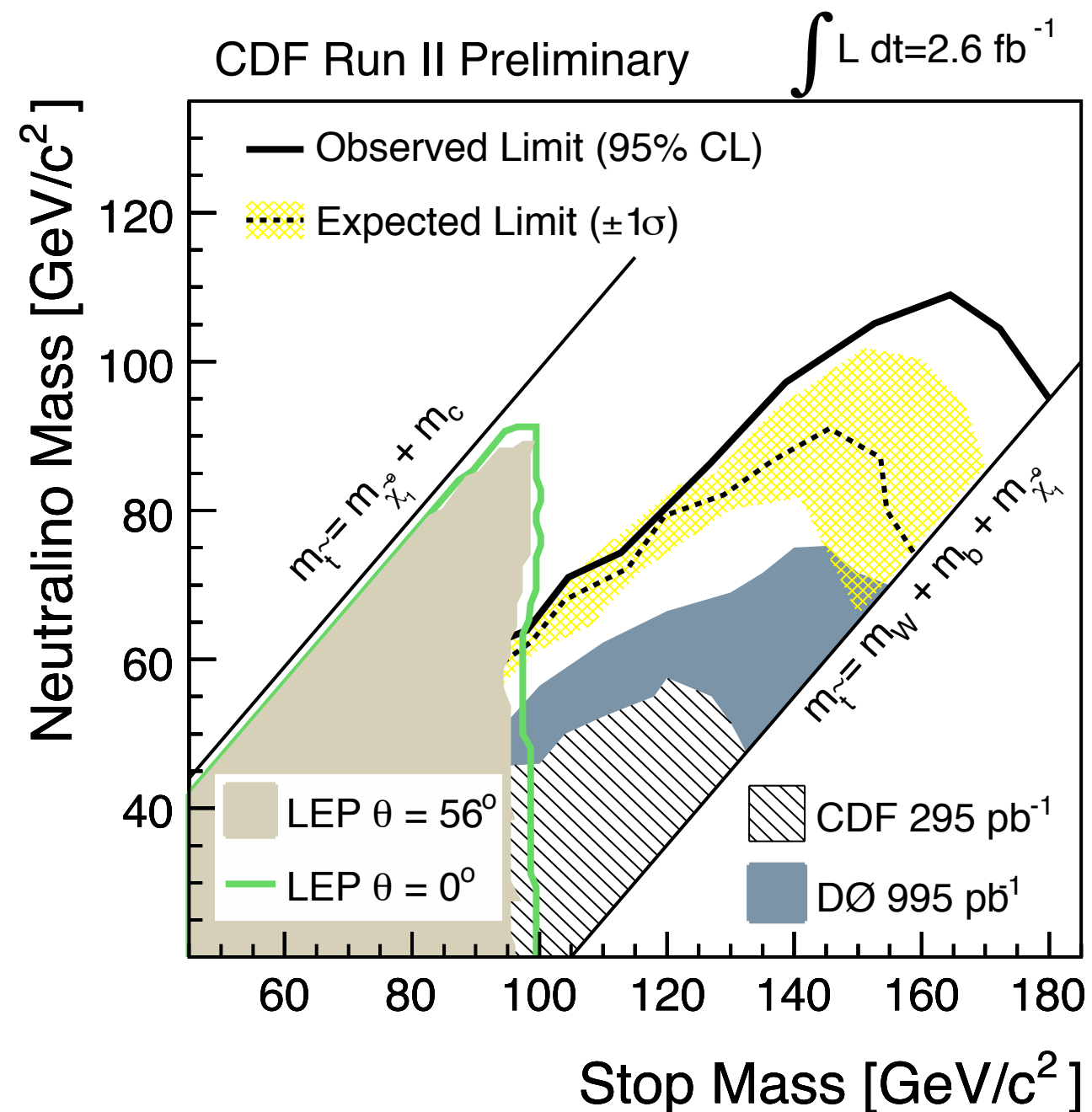
$$\Delta m = m_{\tilde{t}_1} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} \leq 5 \dots 10 \text{ GeV} \quad m_{\tilde{t}_1} \approx m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} \approx 100 \text{ GeV}$$

$$Y \approx \mathcal{O}(10^{-5})$$

Experimental Status for Light Scalar Tops

Relation between neutralino and stop masses

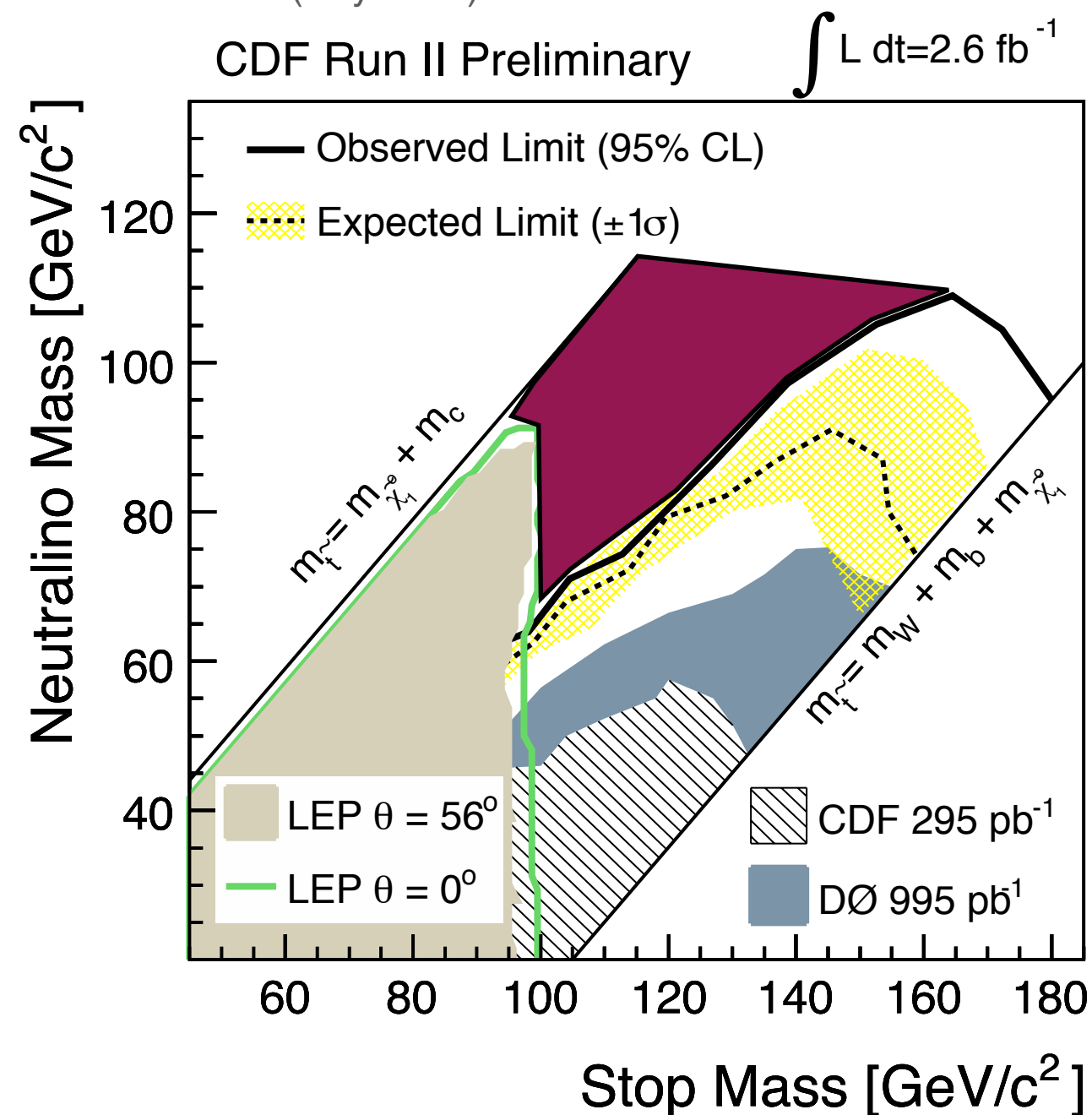
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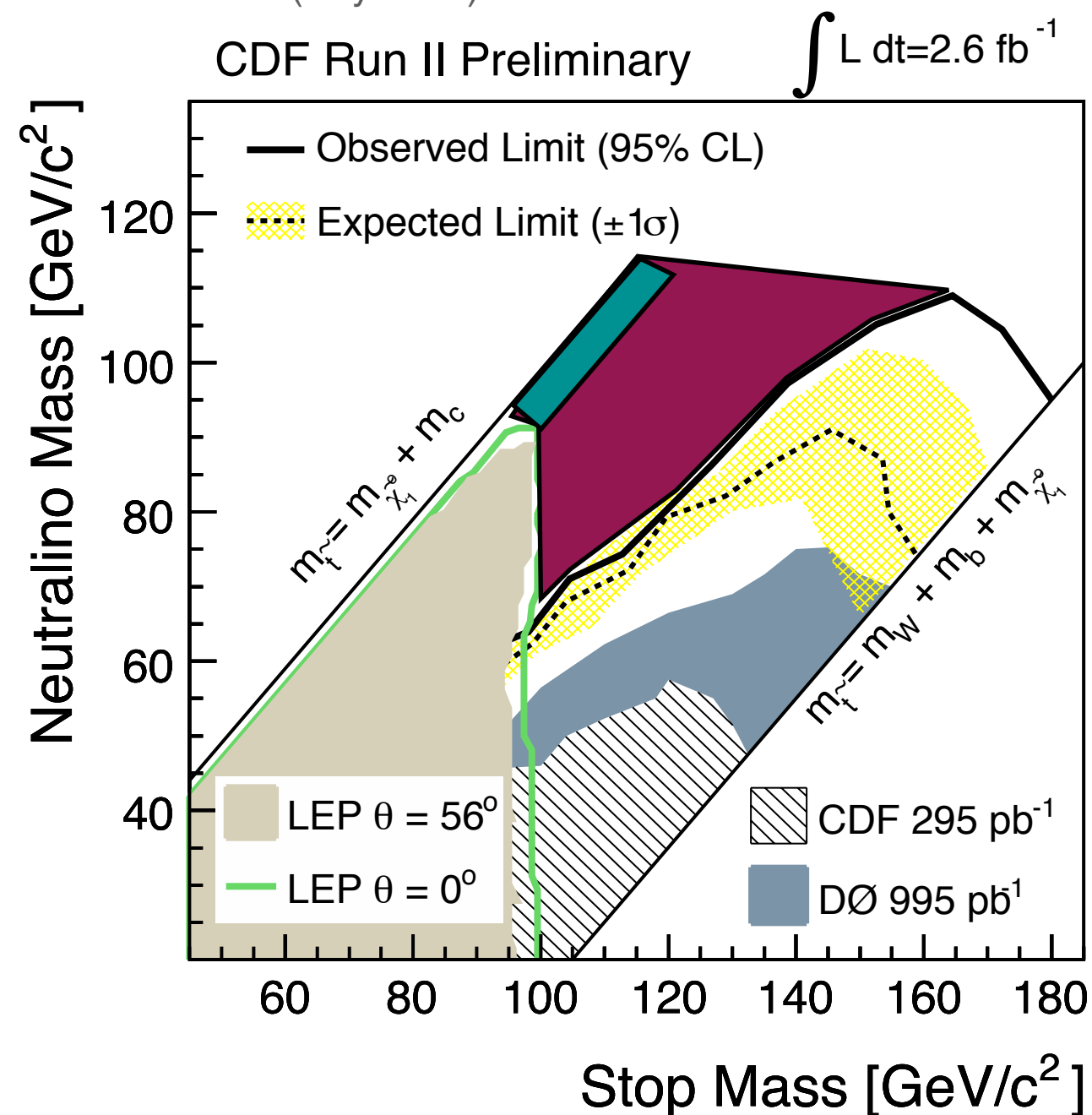
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Long-lived Stops & Minimal Flavour Violation SUSY

G. Hiller, Y. Nir: Measuring Flavour Mixing with Minimal Flavour Violation at the LHC, arXiv:0802.0916 [hep-ph]

G. Hiller, JS Kim, H. Sedello: Collider Signatures of Minimal Flavour Mixing from Stop Decay Length Measurements, arXiv:0910.2124 [hep-ph]

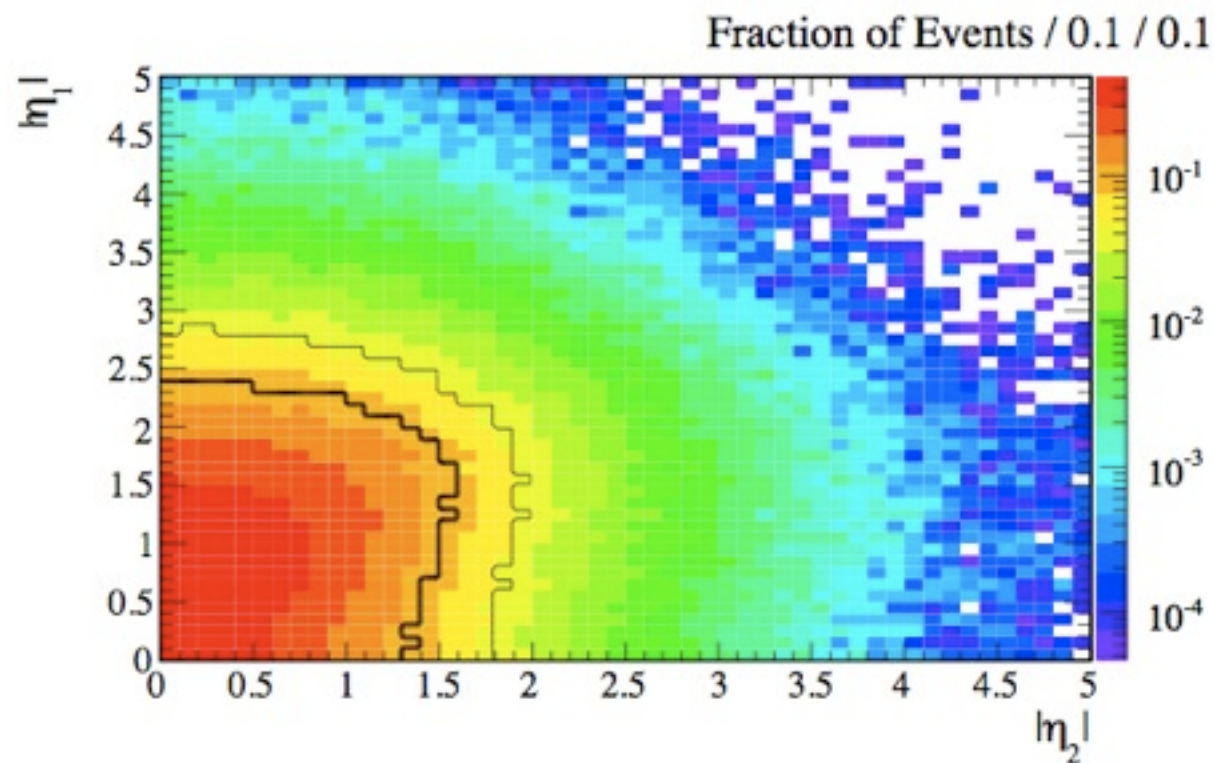


FIG. 2: The pseudo-rapidity distribution of the two stops at the LHC in processes Eq. (4) for $m_{\tilde{t}} = 100$ GeV and $m_{\tilde{g}} = 500$ GeV. In all shown events both stops satisfy $\gamma\beta > 1$. The thick (thin) contour contains 80% (90%) of the events shown.

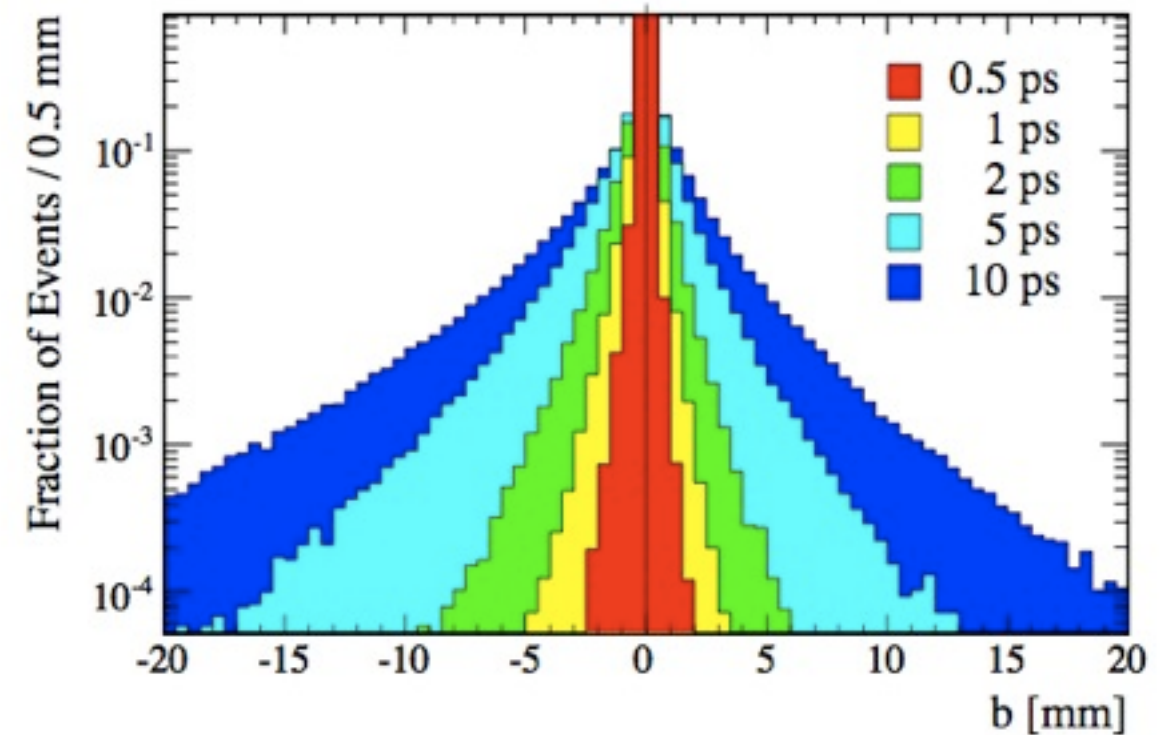
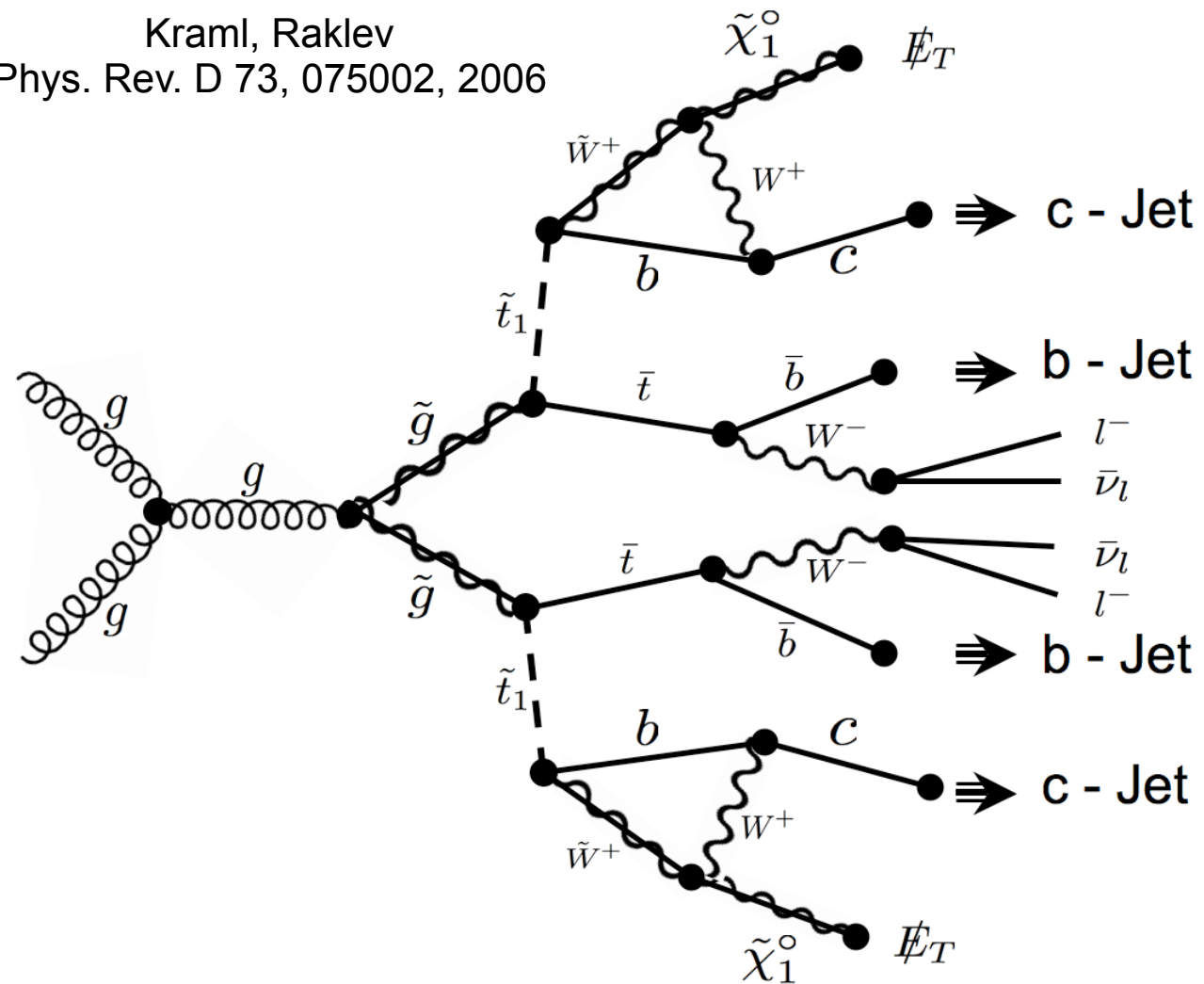


FIG. 4: The distribution of impact parameters b_i in mm at the LHC in processes Eq. (4) for different stop lifetimes. The curves with $b_i > 0$ (< 0) refer to the stop in each event with larger (smaller) charm p_T .

Potential Experimental Signature: Light Stops Associated with Same Sign Leptons

Kraml, Raklev
Phys. Rev. D 73, 075002, 2006



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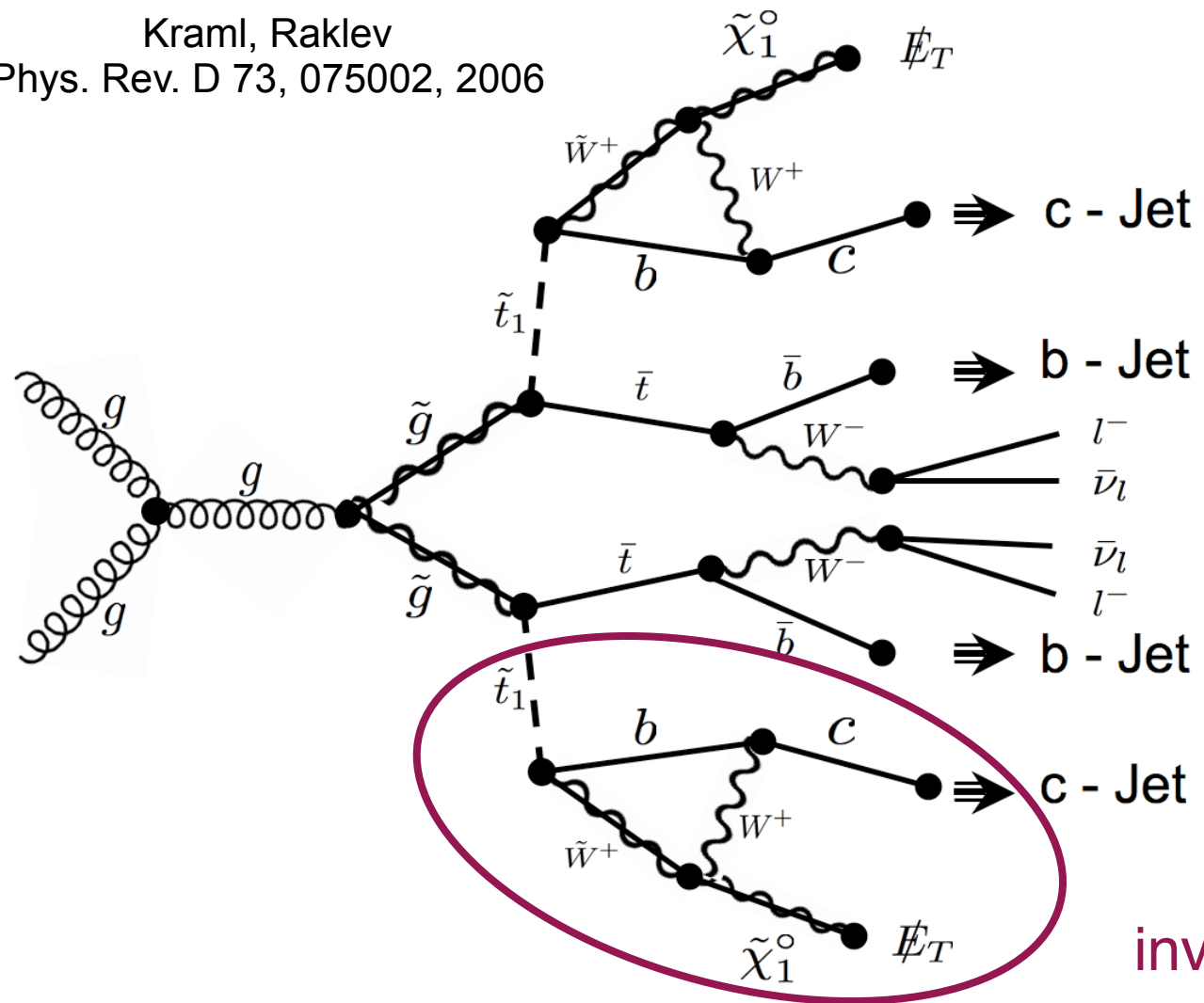
4 different final states:
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investigated challenge:
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of decay length of stop quarks $\sim O(\text{ps})$

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handle on stop lifetime, gluino masses and $\tilde{t}_1 - c - \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ -coupling

background: $t\bar{t}$, single top, W/Z + Jets, WW, WZ, ZZ, QCD, SUSY, ...

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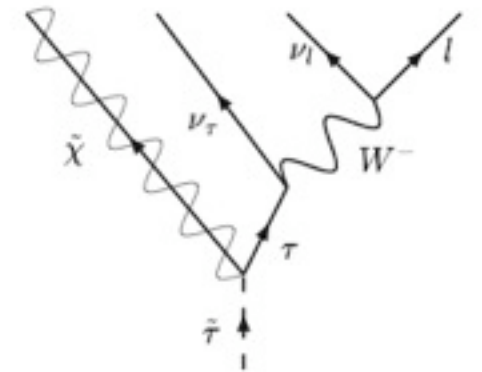
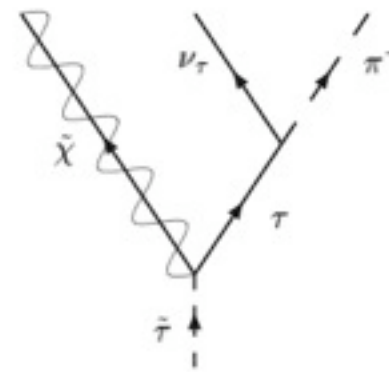
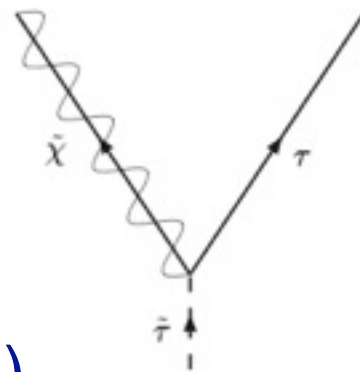


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$$(\text{LFV } \phi_{\text{NLSP}} = N_1 \tilde{e} + \sqrt{1 - N_1^2} \tilde{\tau})$$



if lifetime measurement is possible, fraction N_1 of selectron in NLSP could be determined

Long life stau in the minimal supersymmetric standard model
 T. Jittoh, J. Sato, T. Shimomura and M. Yamanaka,
 arXiv:hep-ph/0512197v2, May 2006

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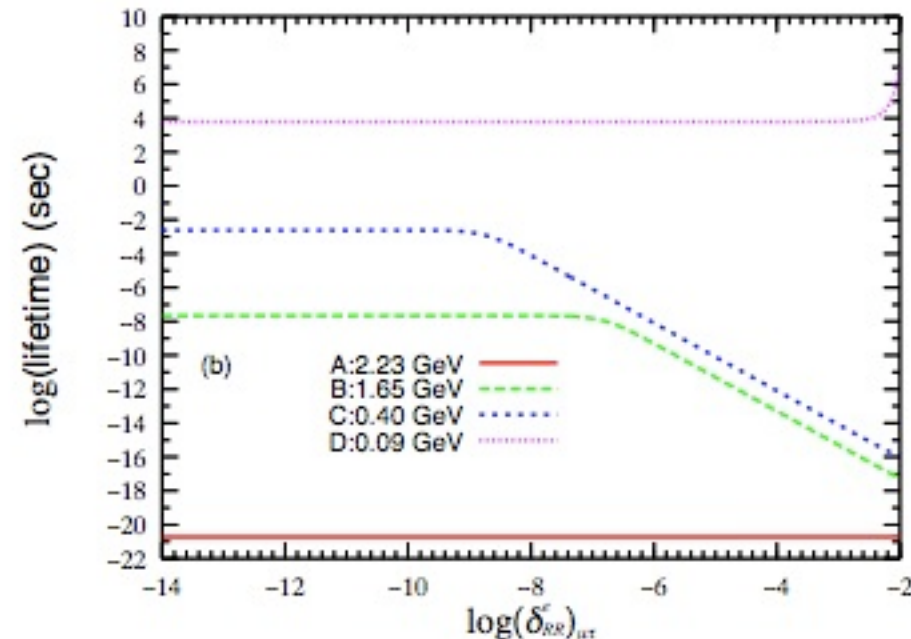
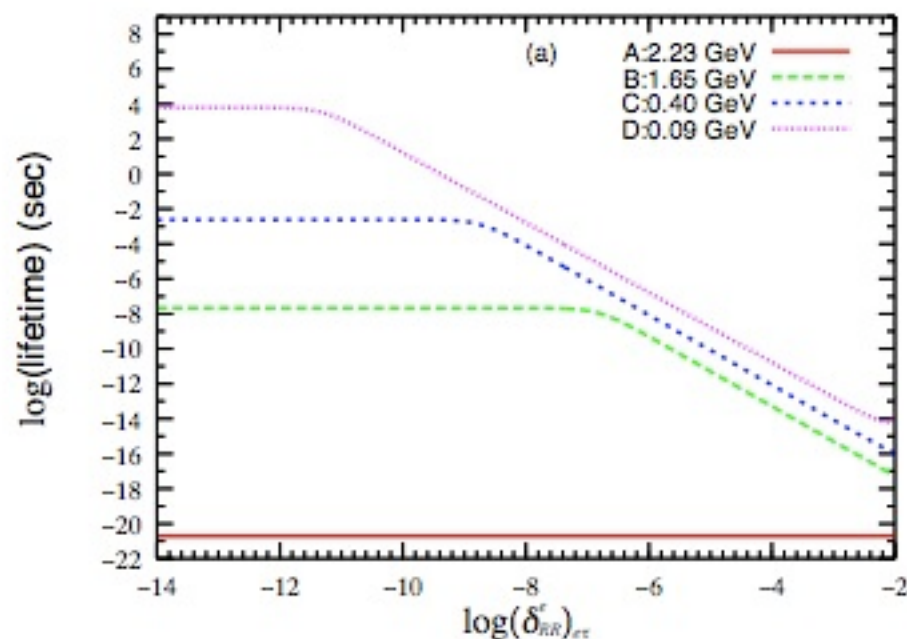
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estimation of stau life times:

Long-Lived Slepton in the Coannihilation Region and Measurement of Lepton Flavour Violation at LHC
S Kaneko, J Sato, T Shimomura, O Vives and M Yamanaka
Journal of Physics: Conference Series **171** (2009) 012092

Table 1. Table of the mass difference and the lightest slepton, neutralino masses. m_0 , A_0 and $\tan\beta$ are fixed to 260 GeV, 600 GeV and 30, respectively. The values of neutralino abundance and a_μ are shown for the reference.

No.	δm (GeV)	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$ (GeV)	$m_{\tilde{l}_1}$ (GeV)	$\Omega_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} h^2$	$a_\mu (\times 10^{-10})$
A	2.227	323.1549	325.3817	0.110	10.32
B	1.650	325.5601	326.2147	0.102	10.25
C	0.407	327.6294	328.0365	0.085	10.09
D	0.092	328.4060	328.4981	0.081	10.06

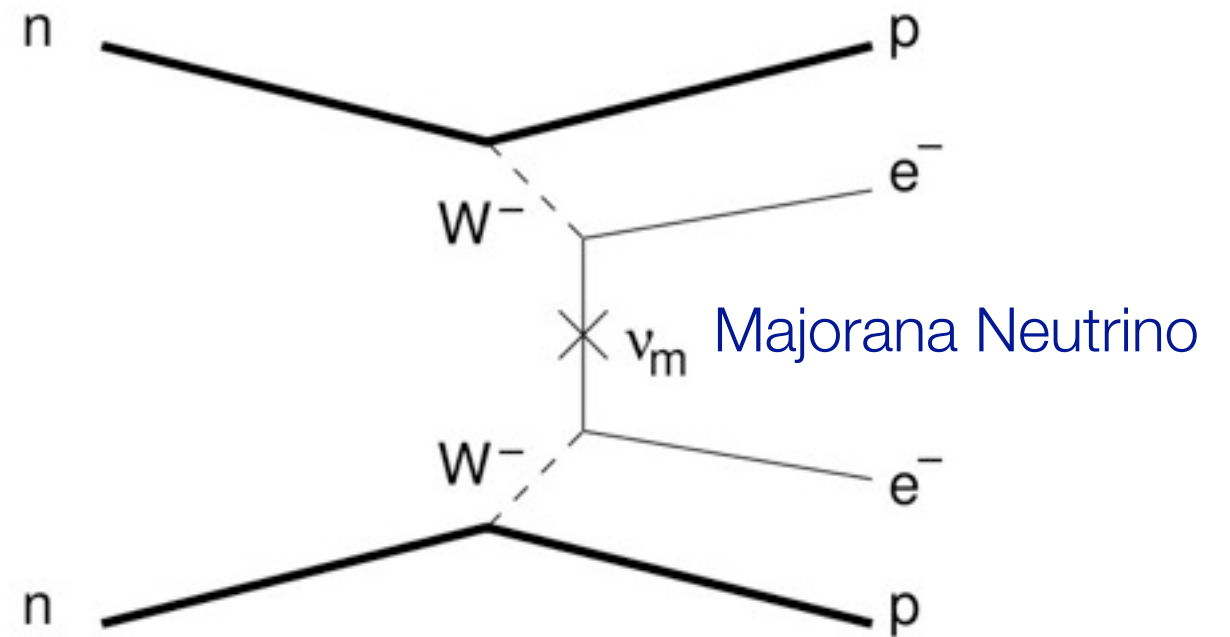
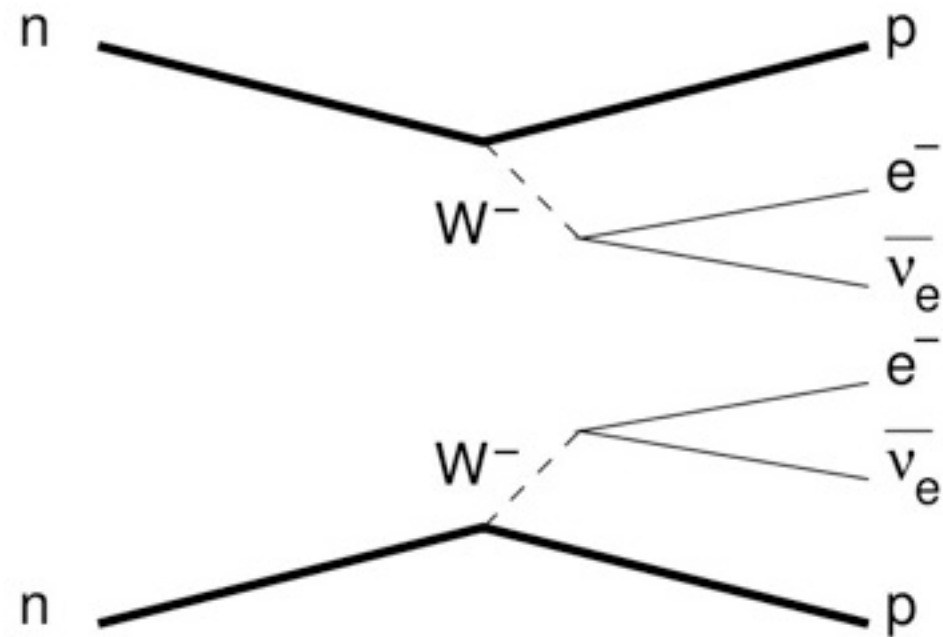


Summary & Conclusion

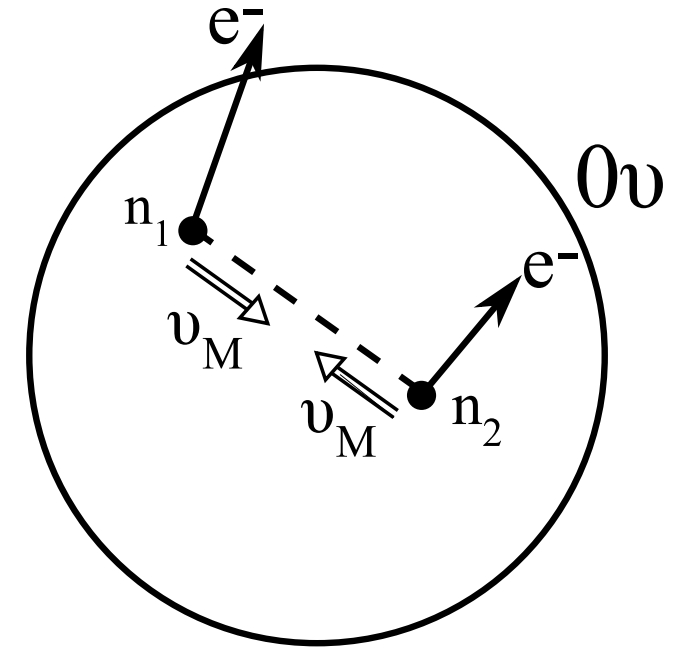
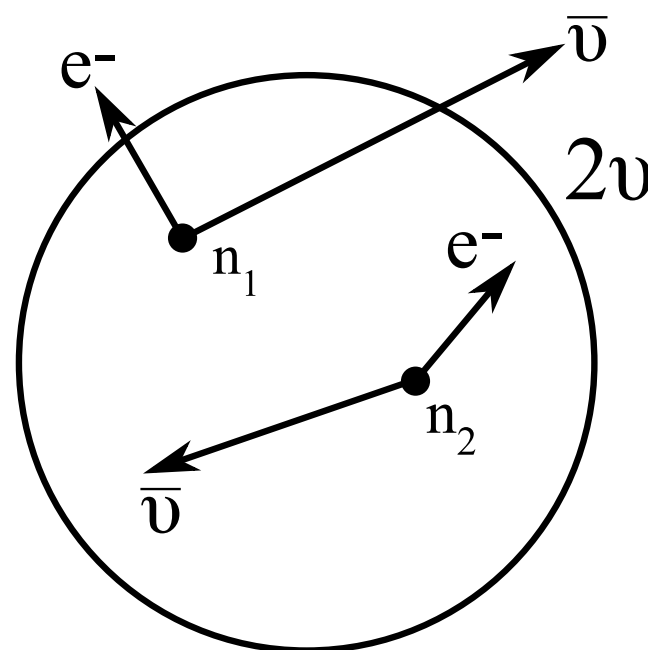
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Activities

Lepton Flavour Violation and Majorana Neutrinos

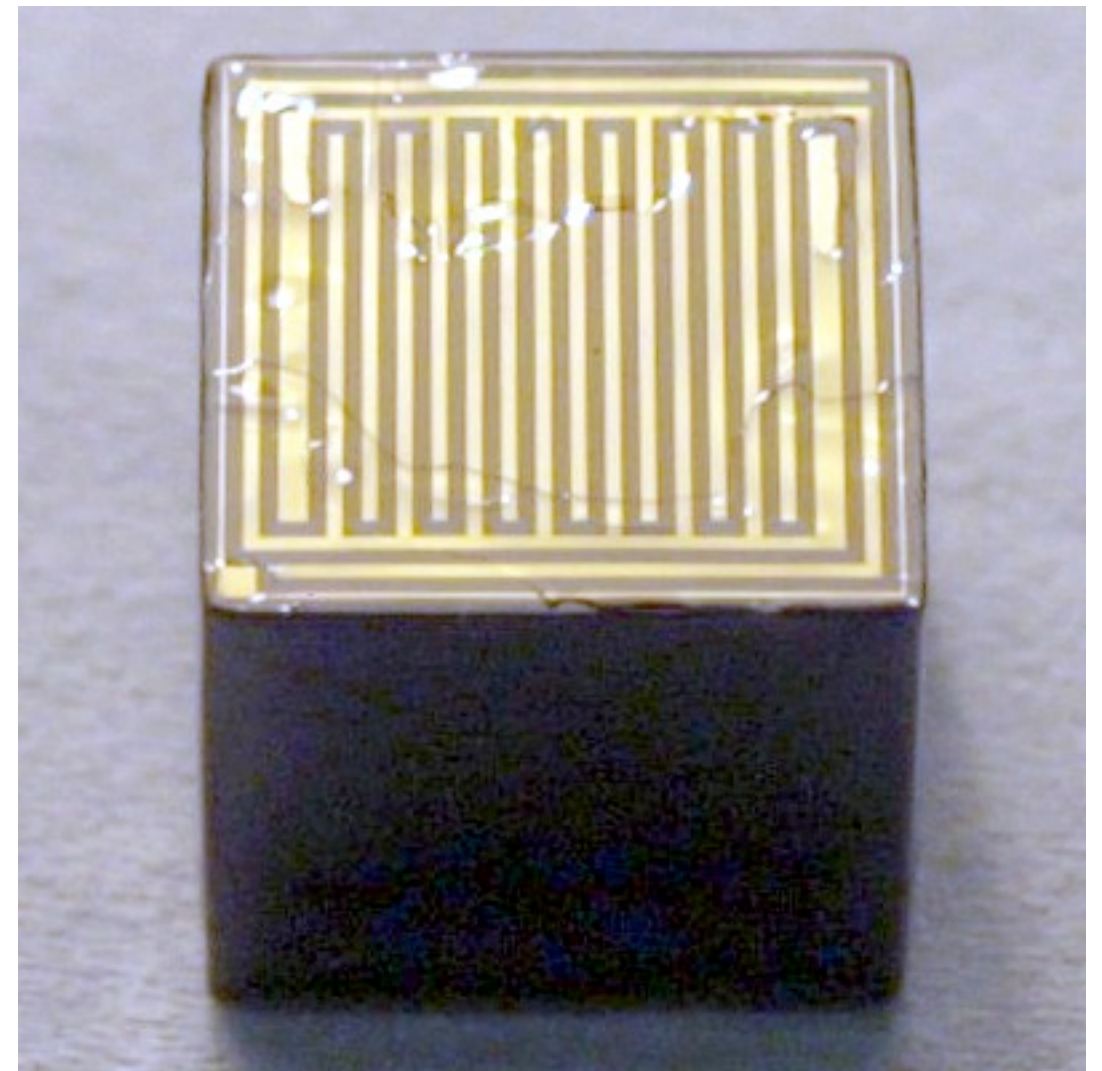


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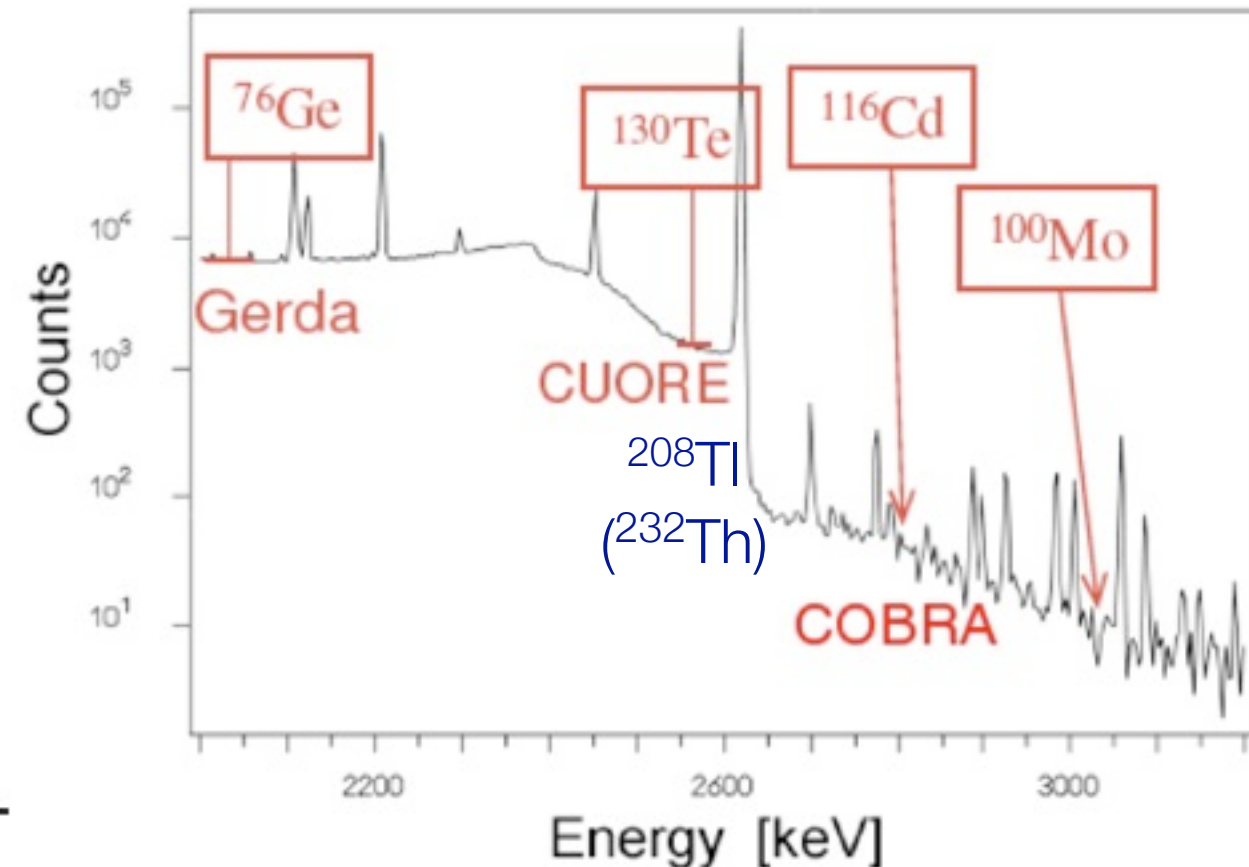
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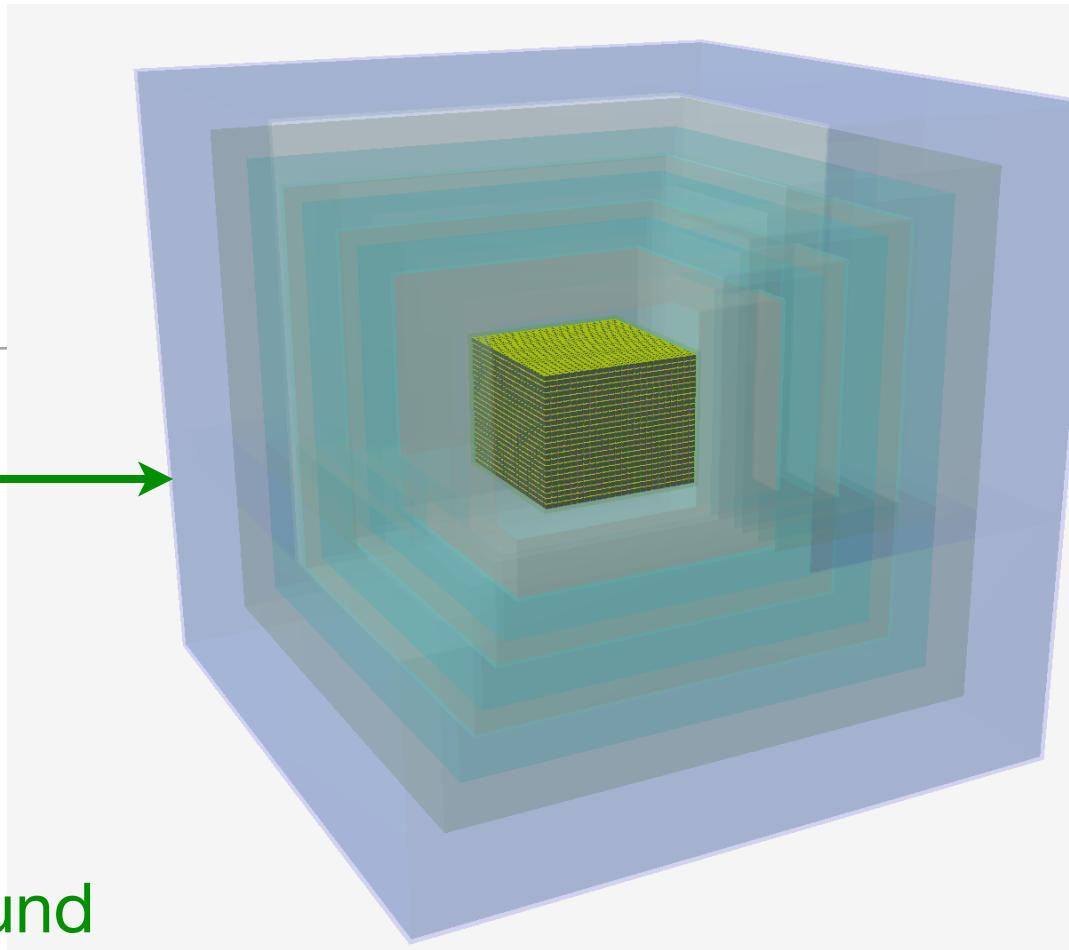
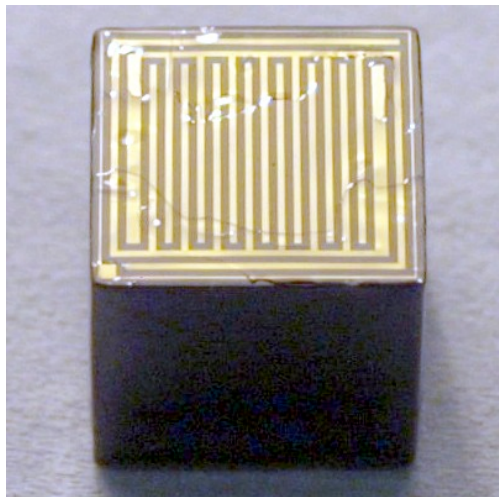


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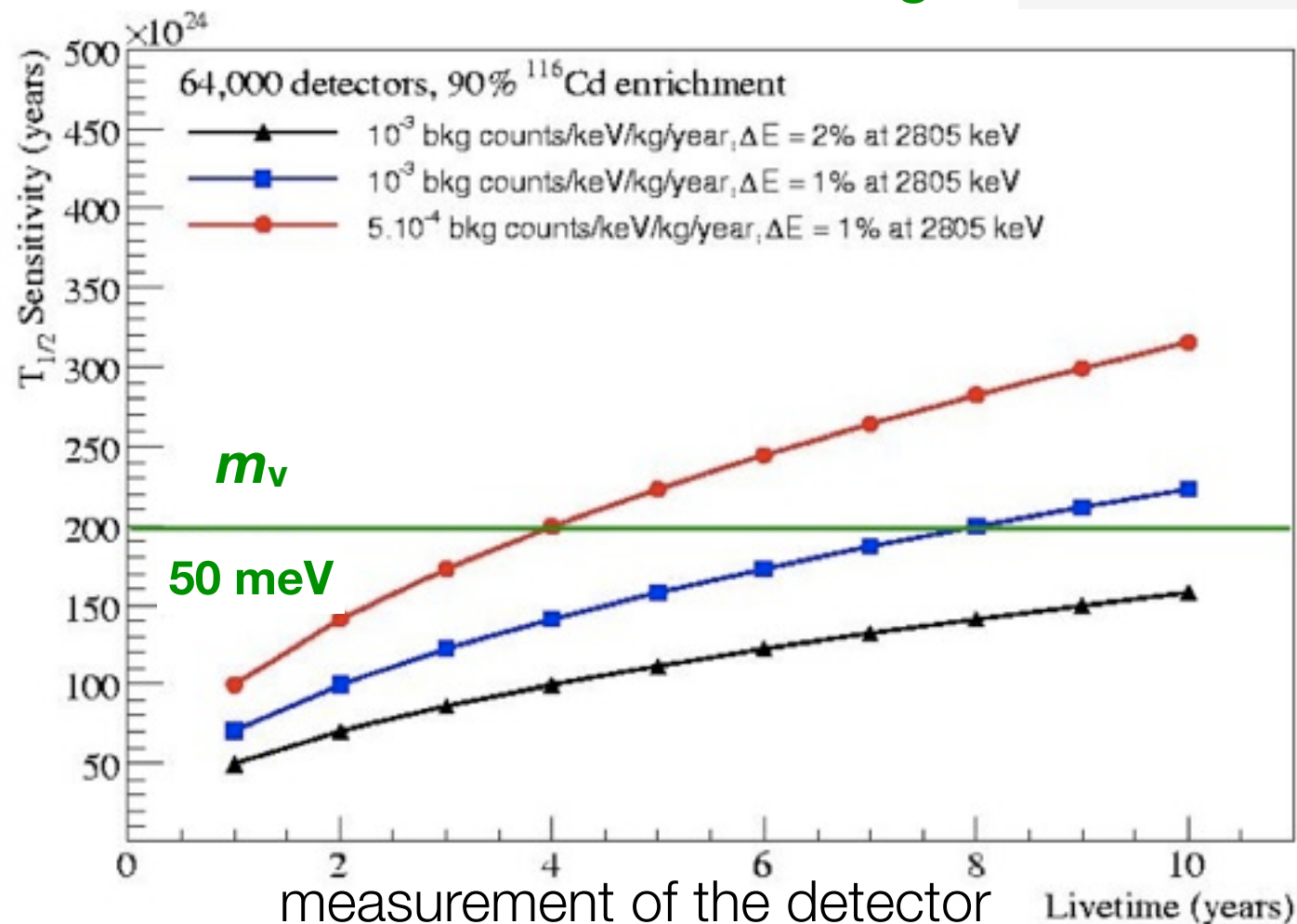
Proposal: Large Scale



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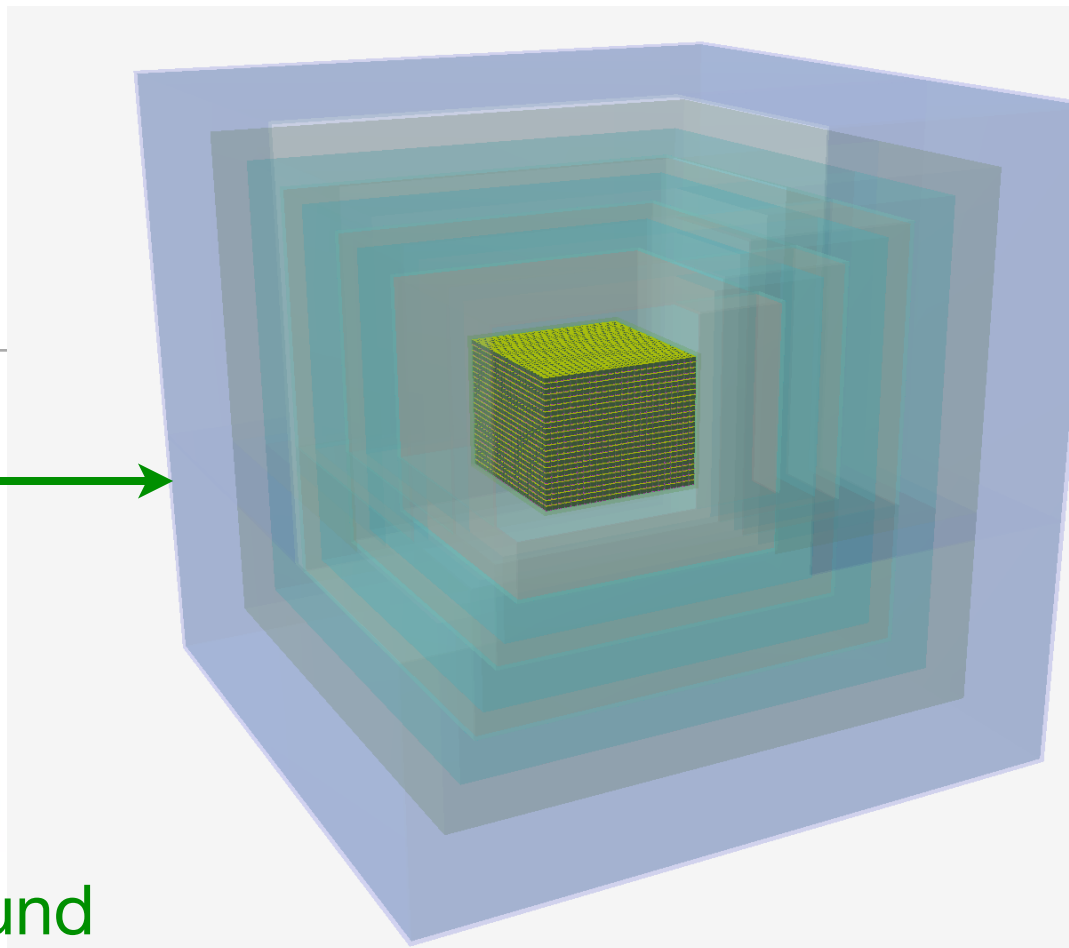
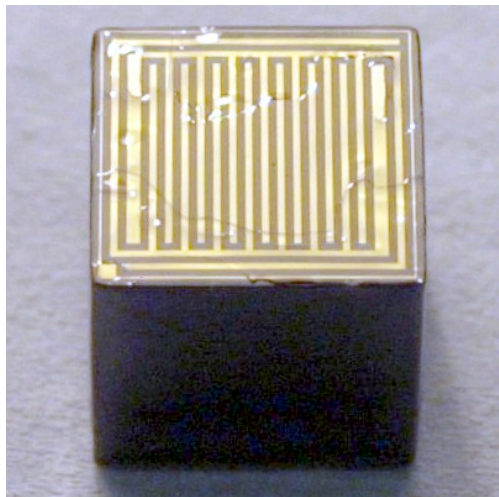
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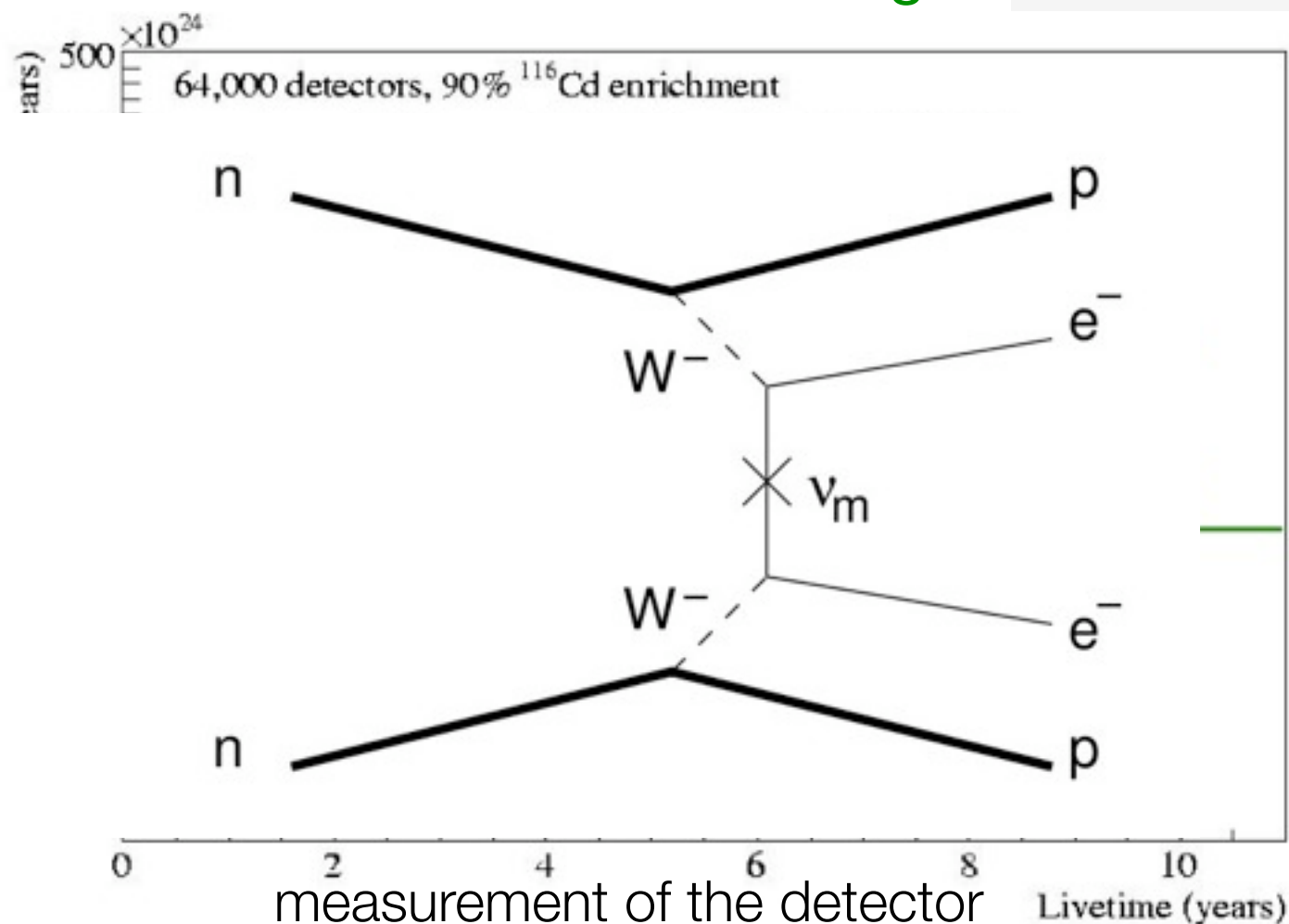
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... or R-parity violating effects...

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