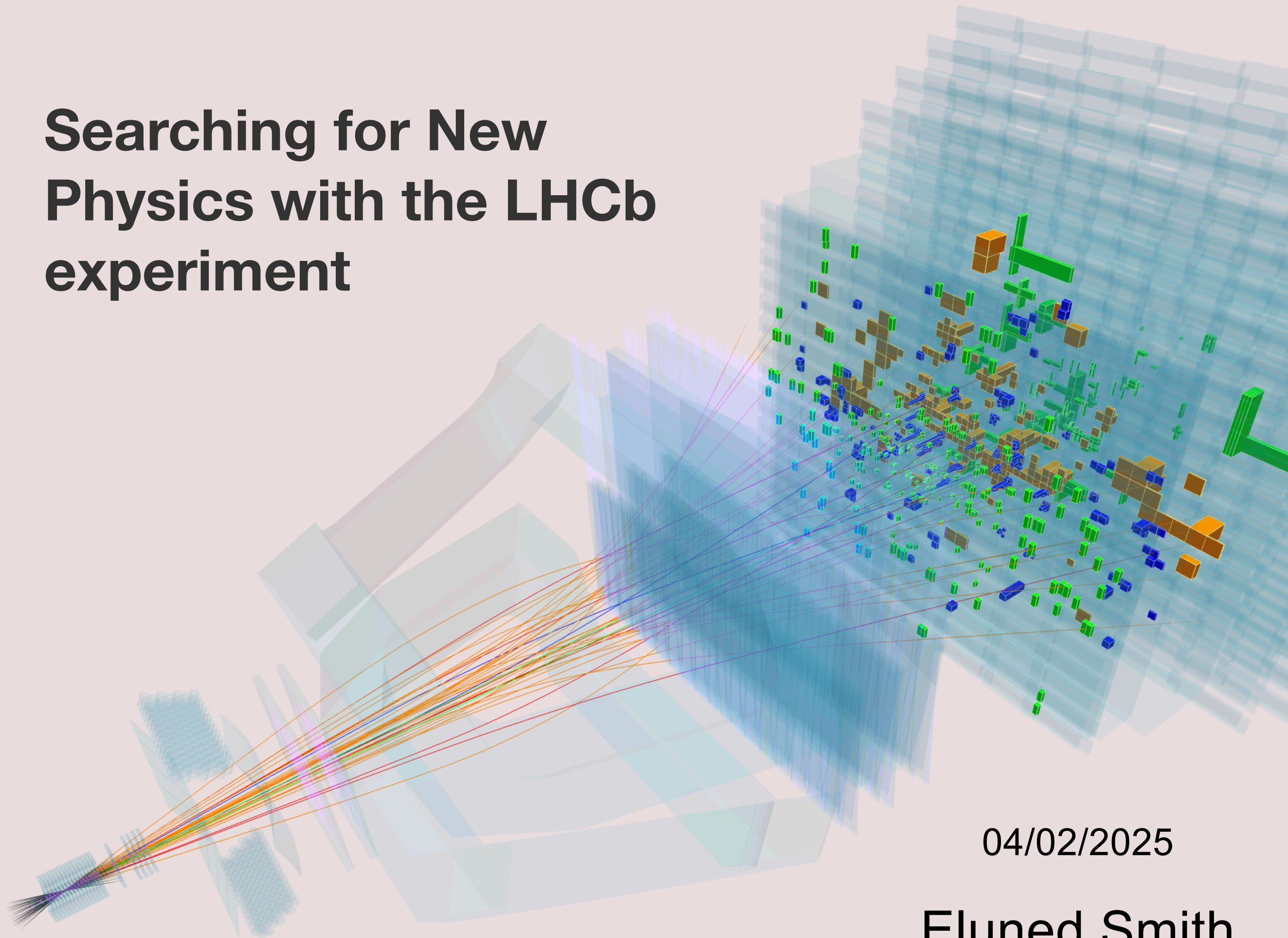


# Searching for New Physics with the LHCb experiment



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# The team :)

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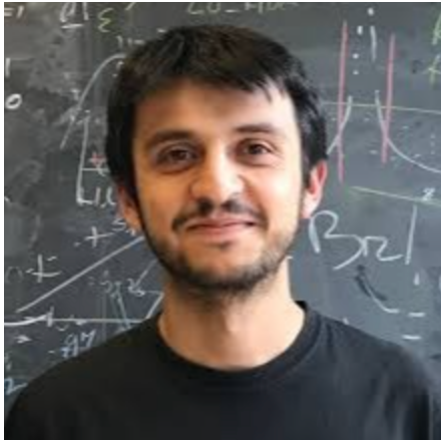
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Michele



Anja



Katya



Julian



Sebastian

Martin (just graduated)



+ Con who is starting with us as a PhD in September

+ 1 or 2 other students

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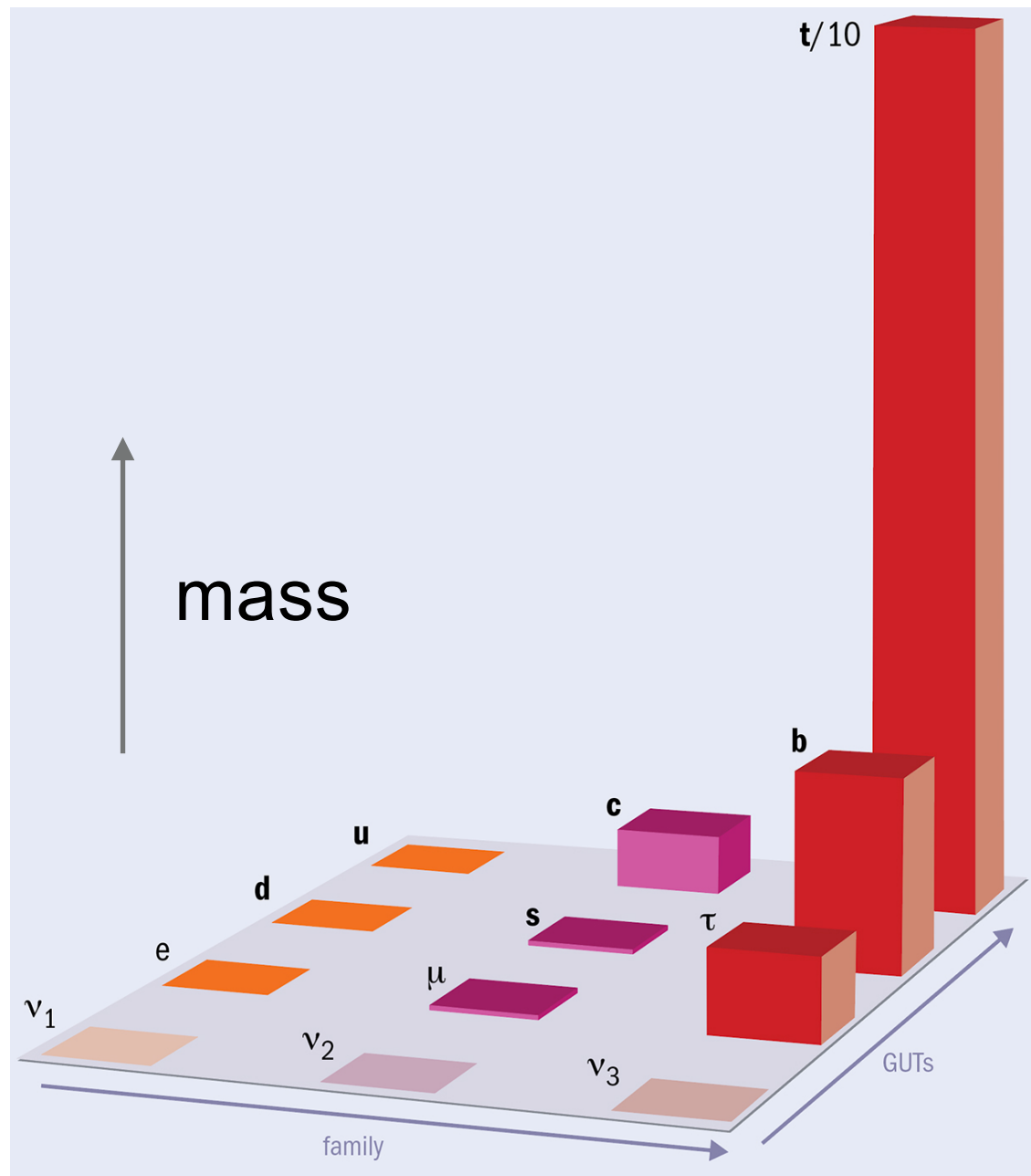
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# Beauty quarks and new particles

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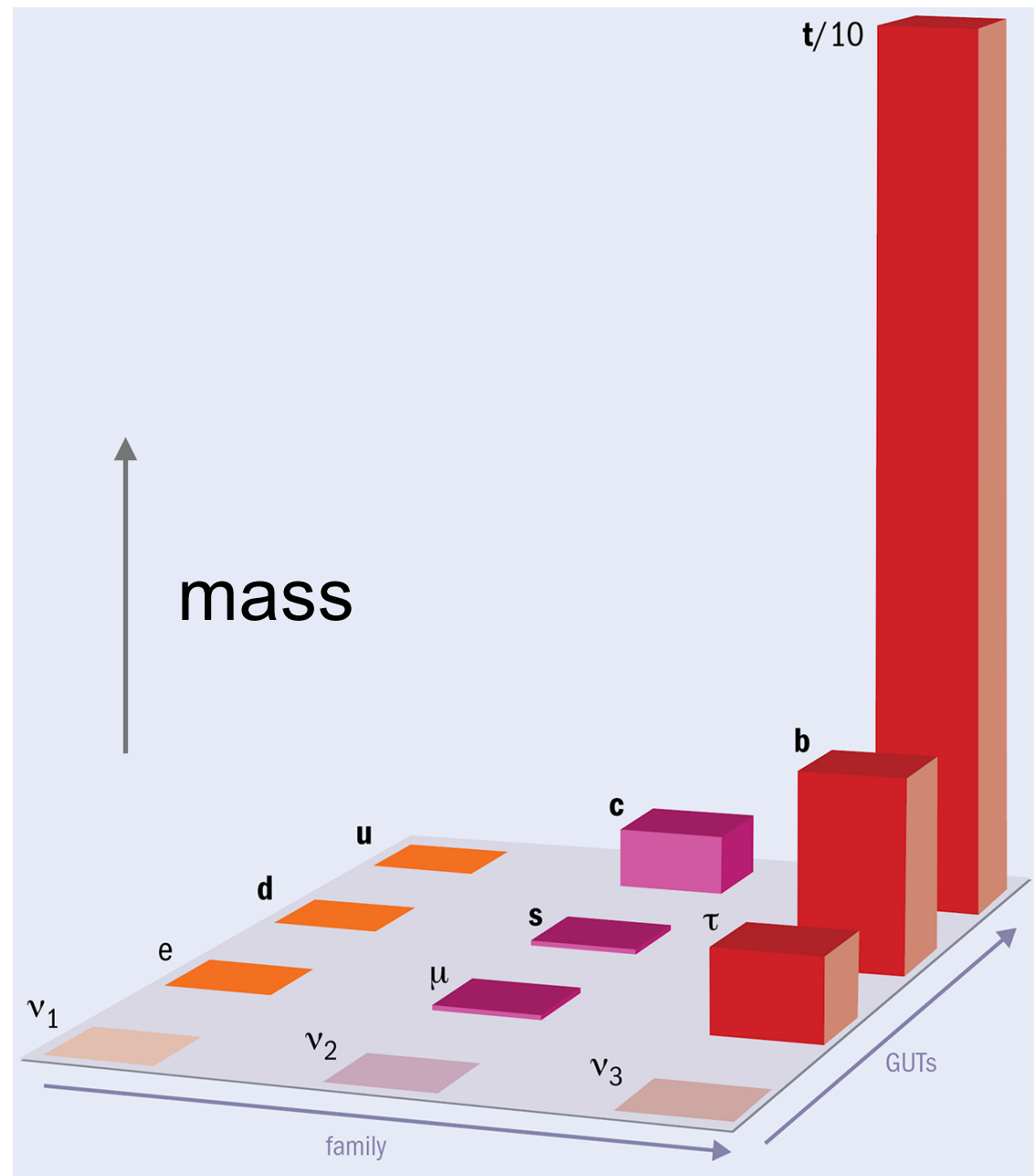


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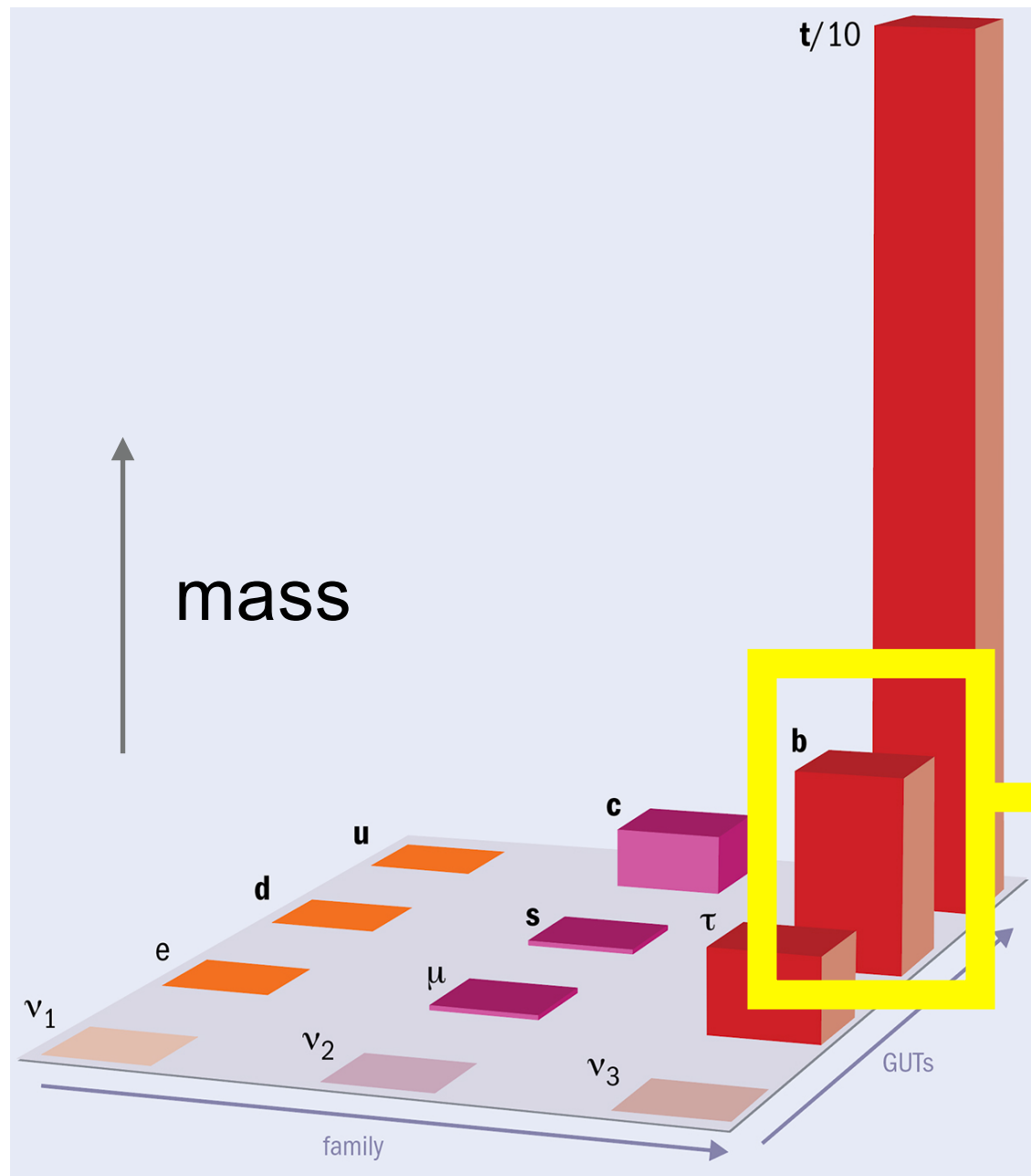
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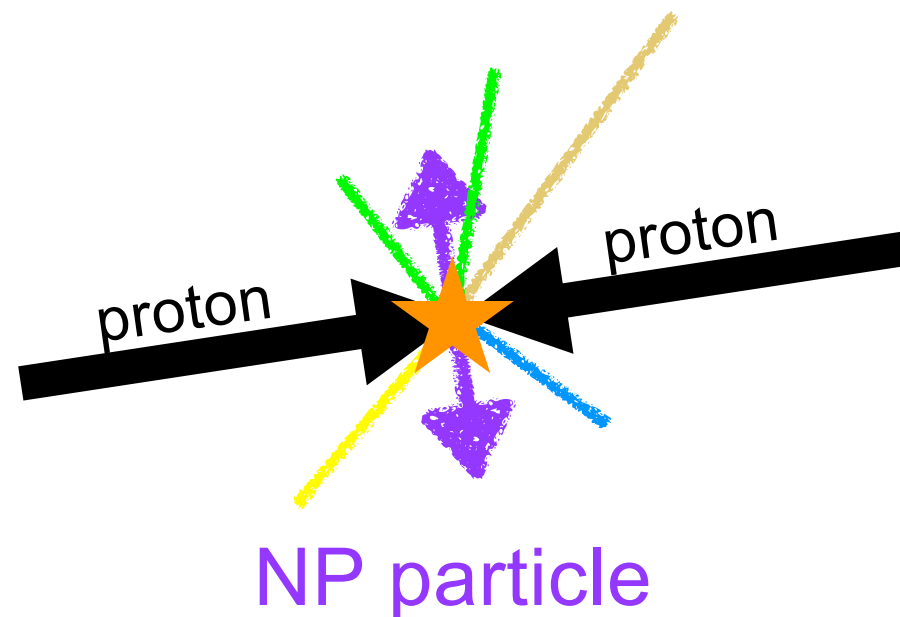
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Heaviest stable quark (beauty quark) can help answer these questions

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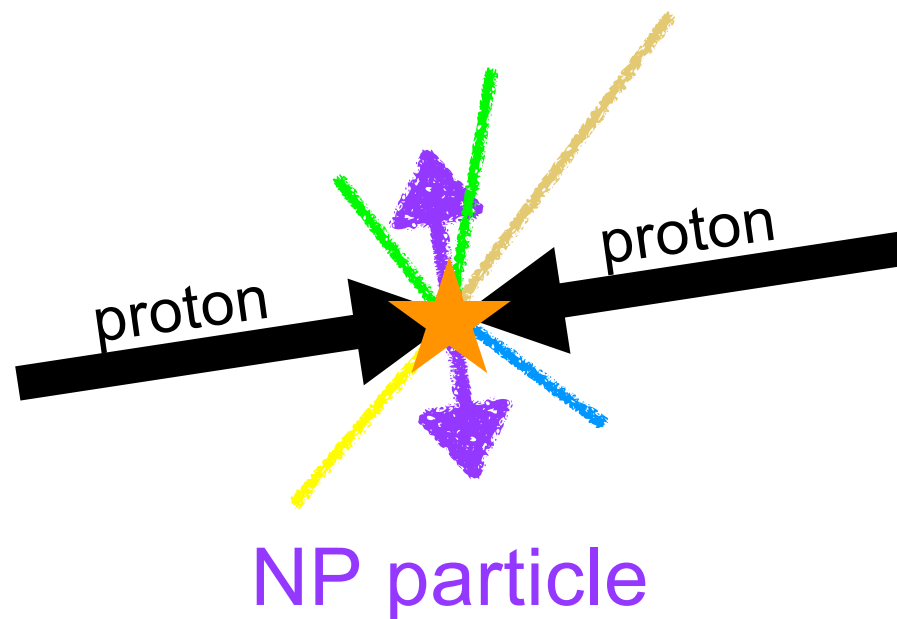


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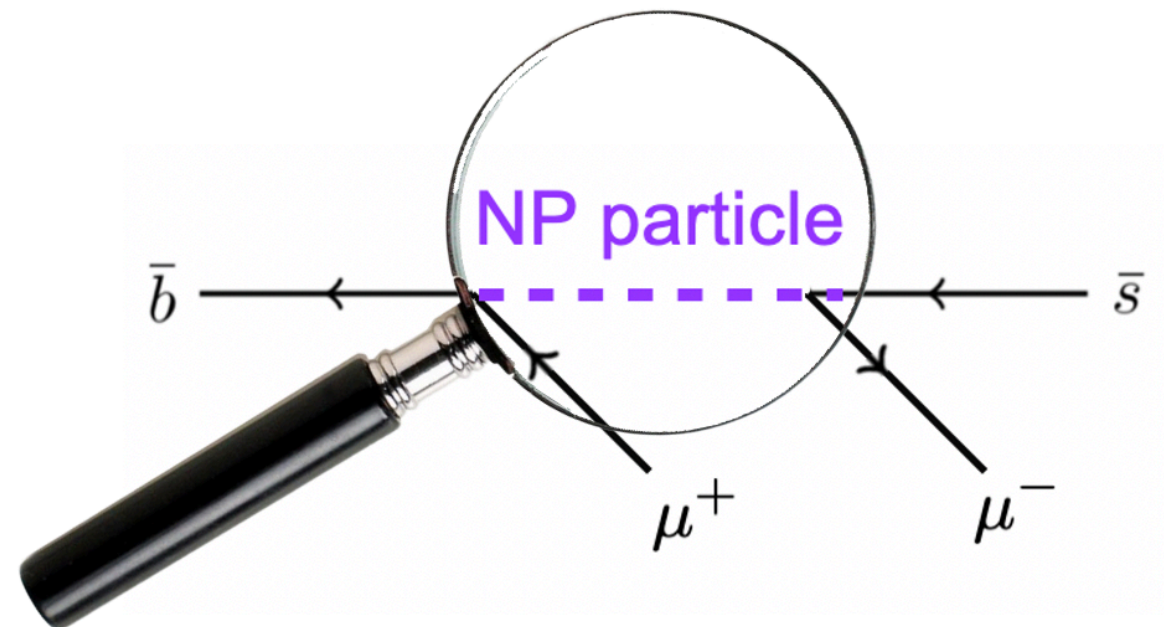
## Indirect searches

Heisenberg's uncertainty principle

$$\Delta E \Delta t > \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

$mc^2 \gg E$  if  $\Delta t$  small

$m \sim \mathcal{O}(100 \text{ TeV})$  JHEP 1411 (2014) 121





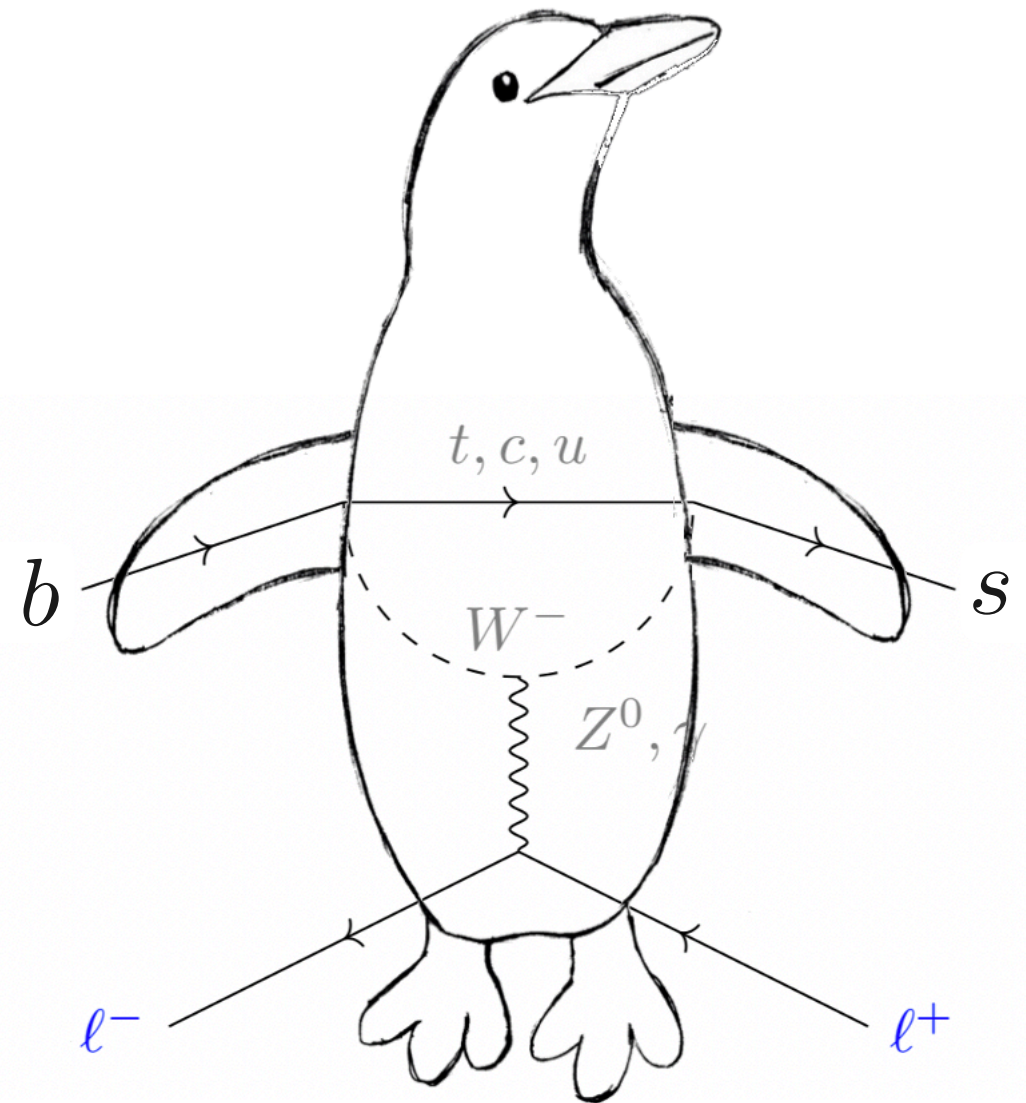
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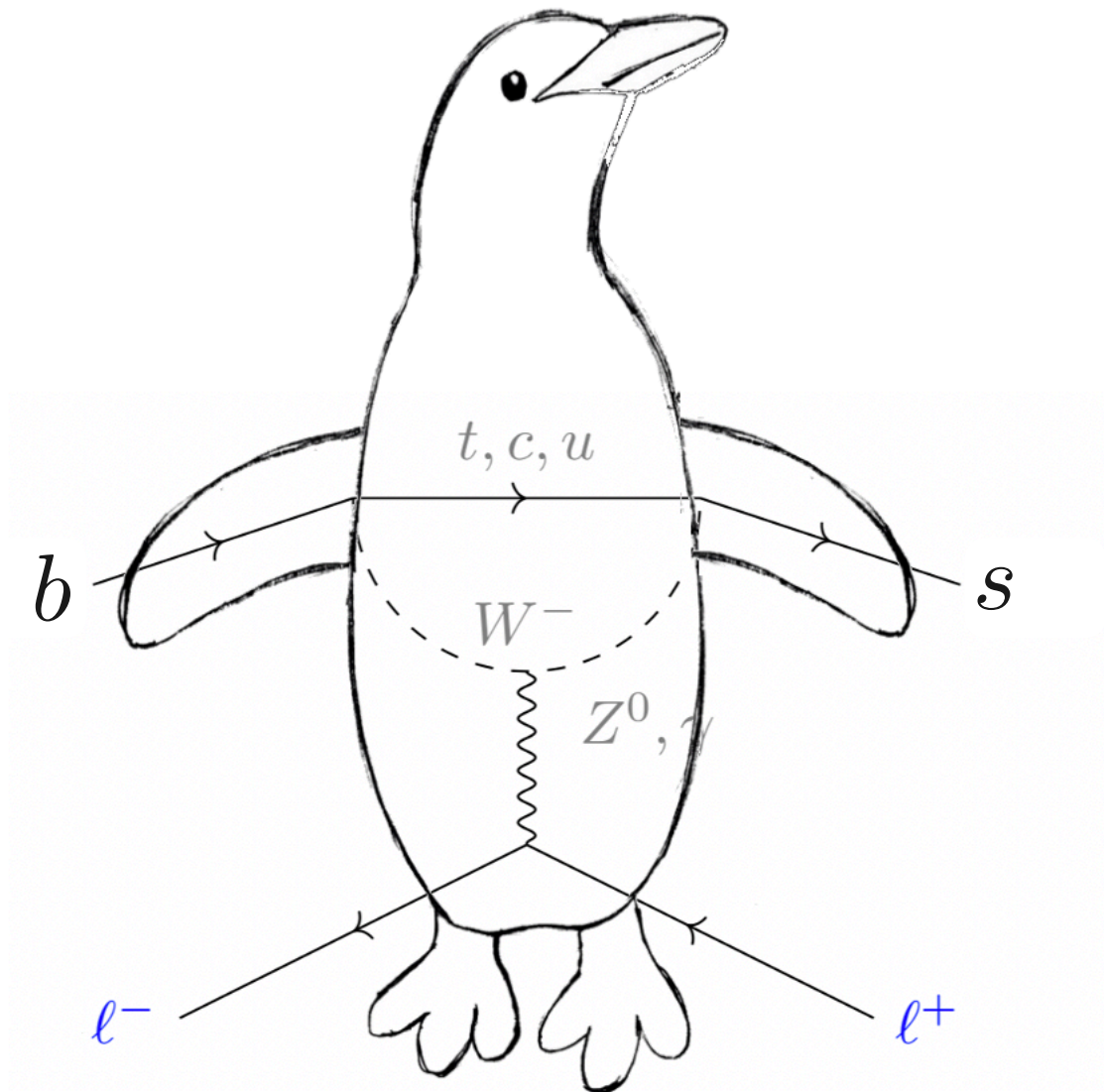
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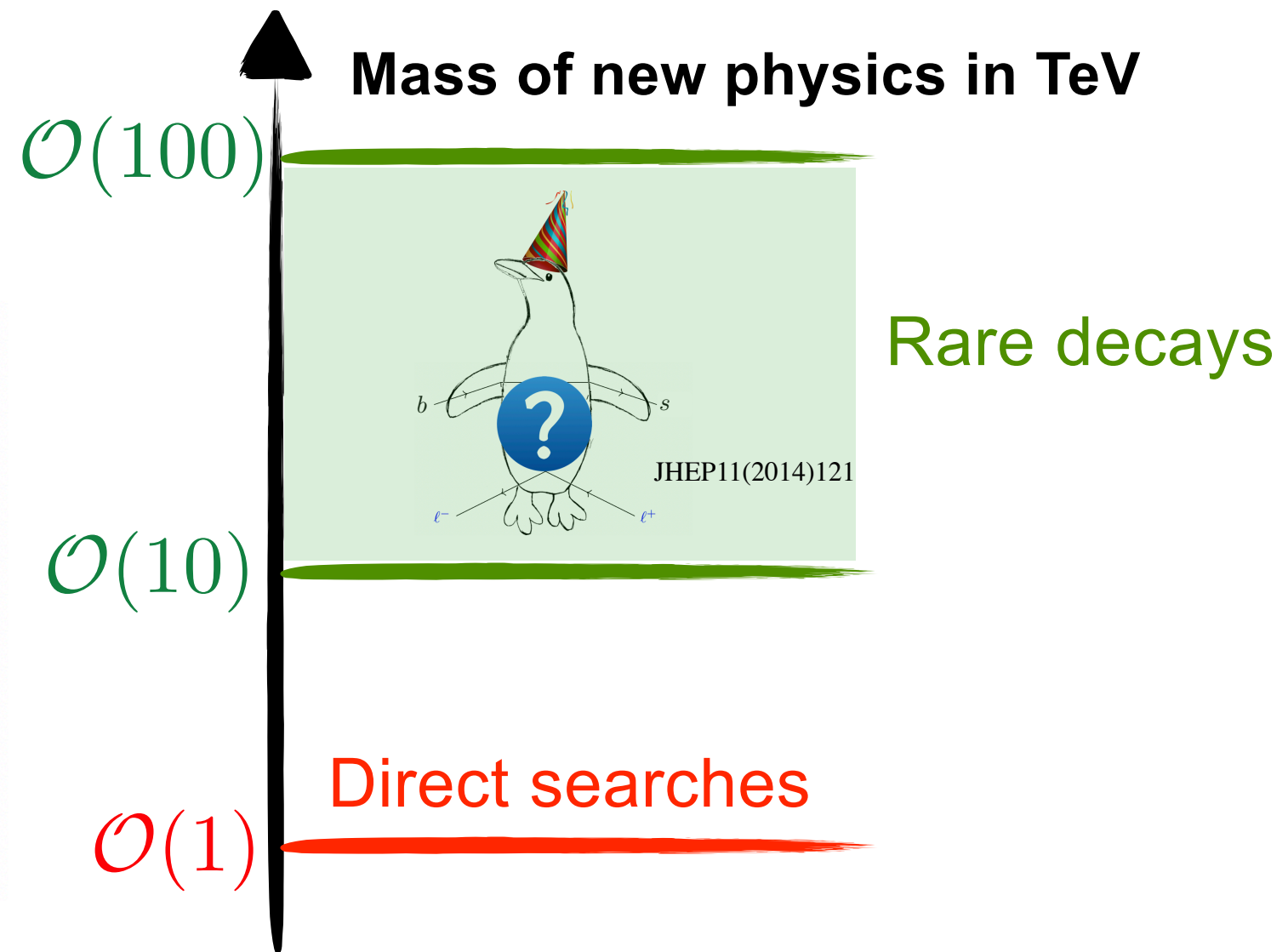
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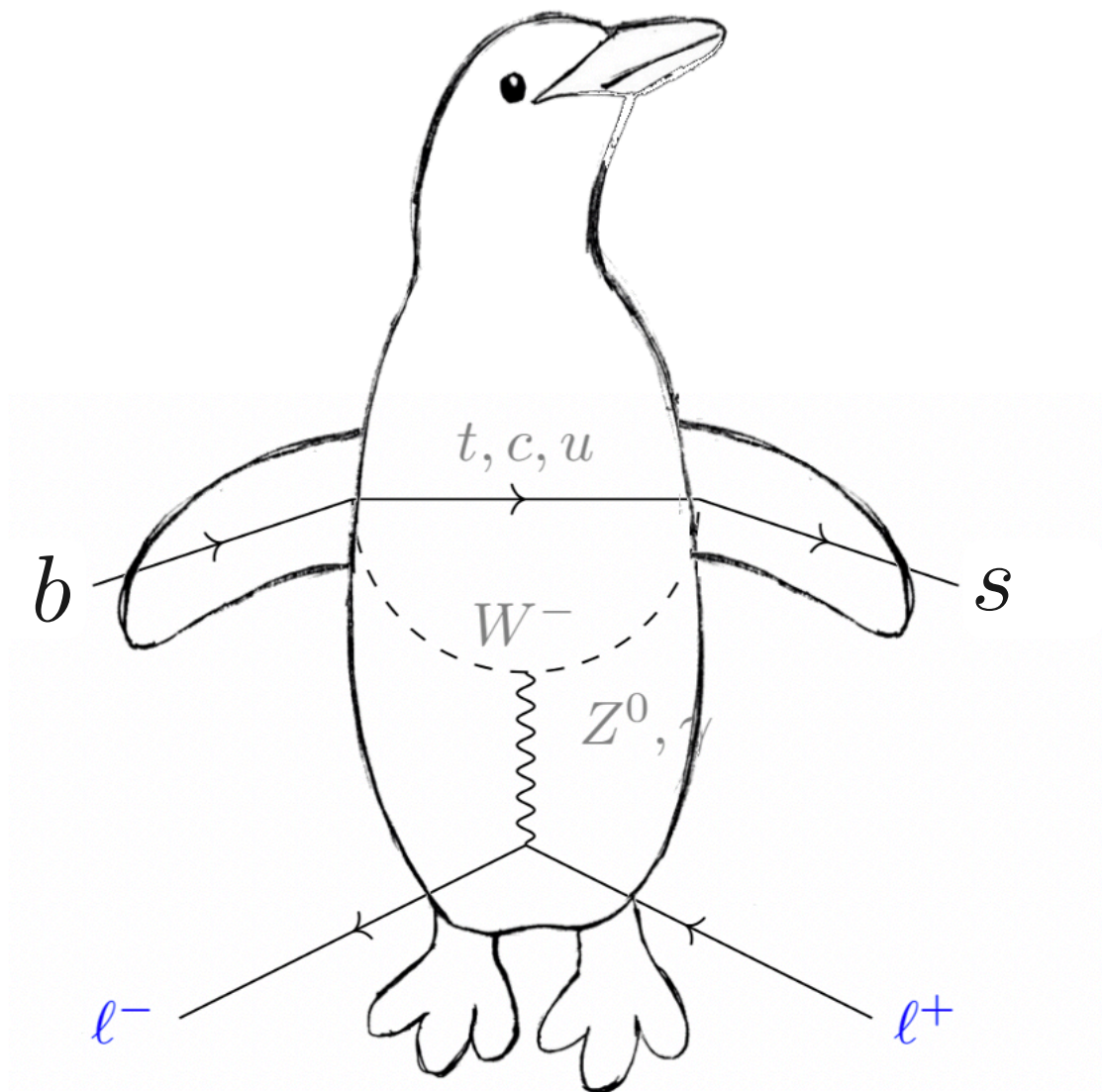
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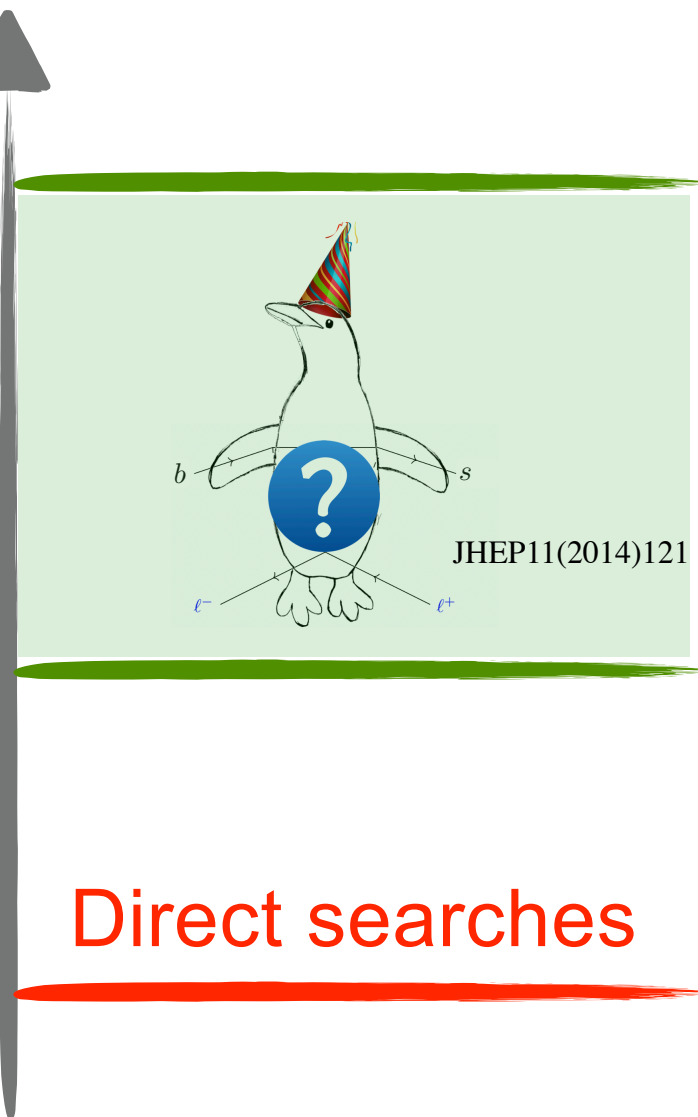
Mass of NP in TeV

$\mathcal{O}(100)$

$\mathcal{O}(10)$

$\mathcal{O}(1)$

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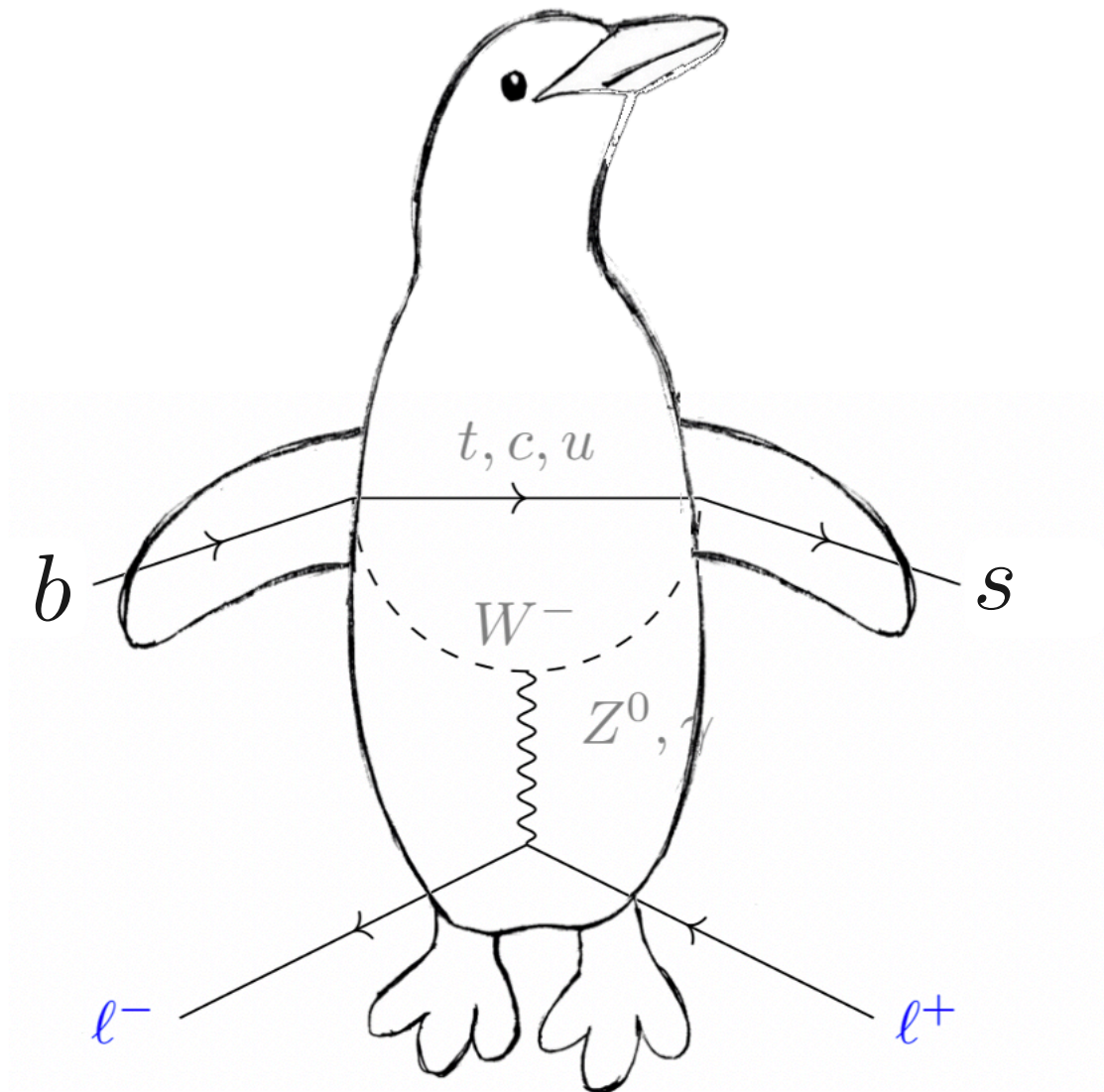
*Collide at bigger energies (e.g. FCC-hh ~2070)*

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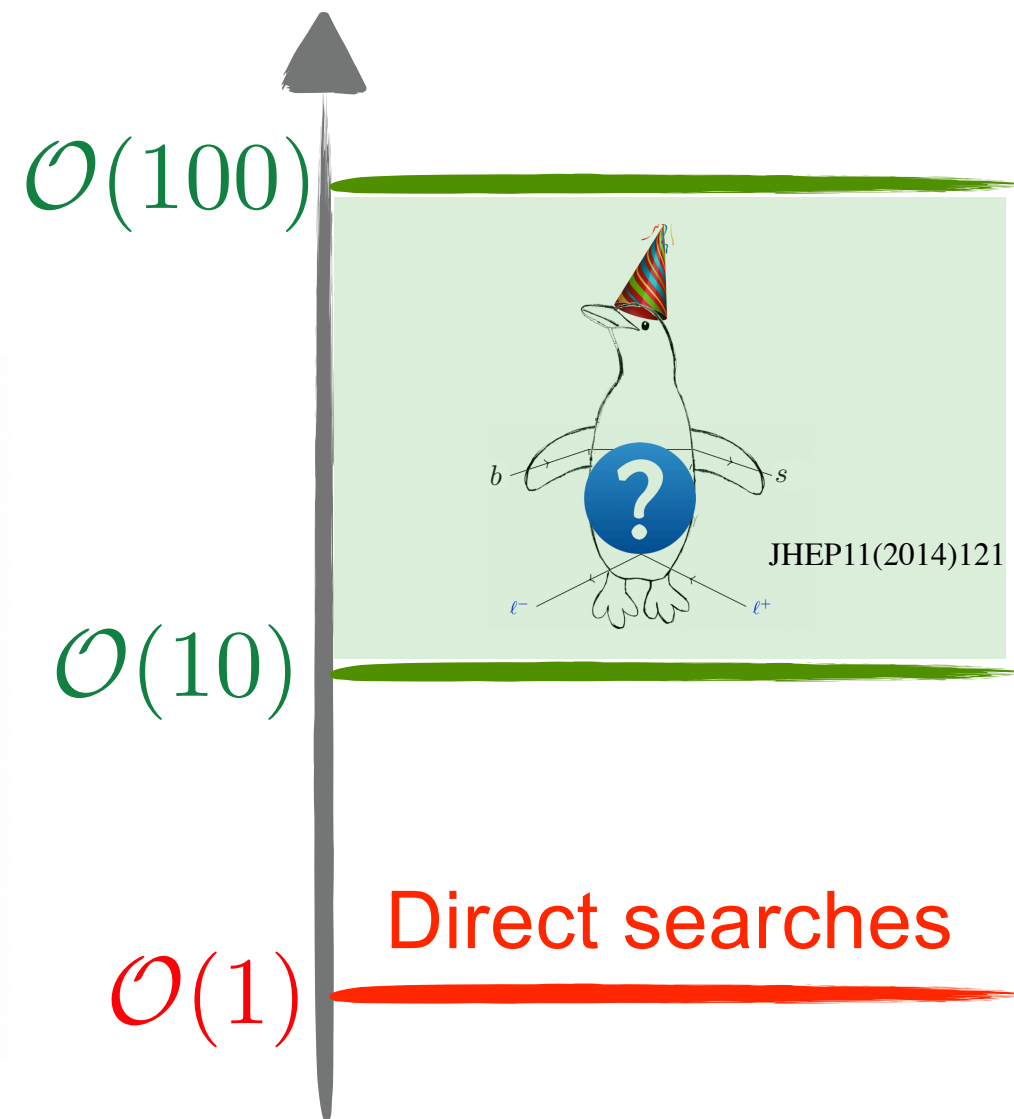


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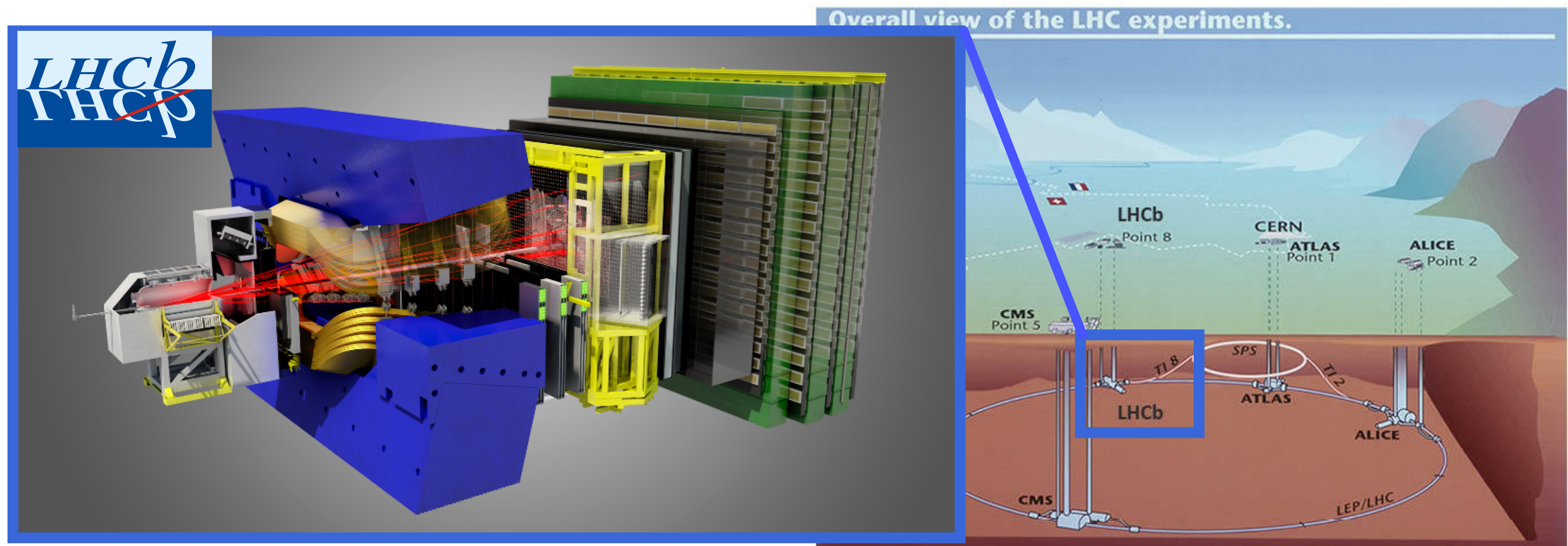


↑  
*Collect more  
data/measure  
more decays  
(now)*

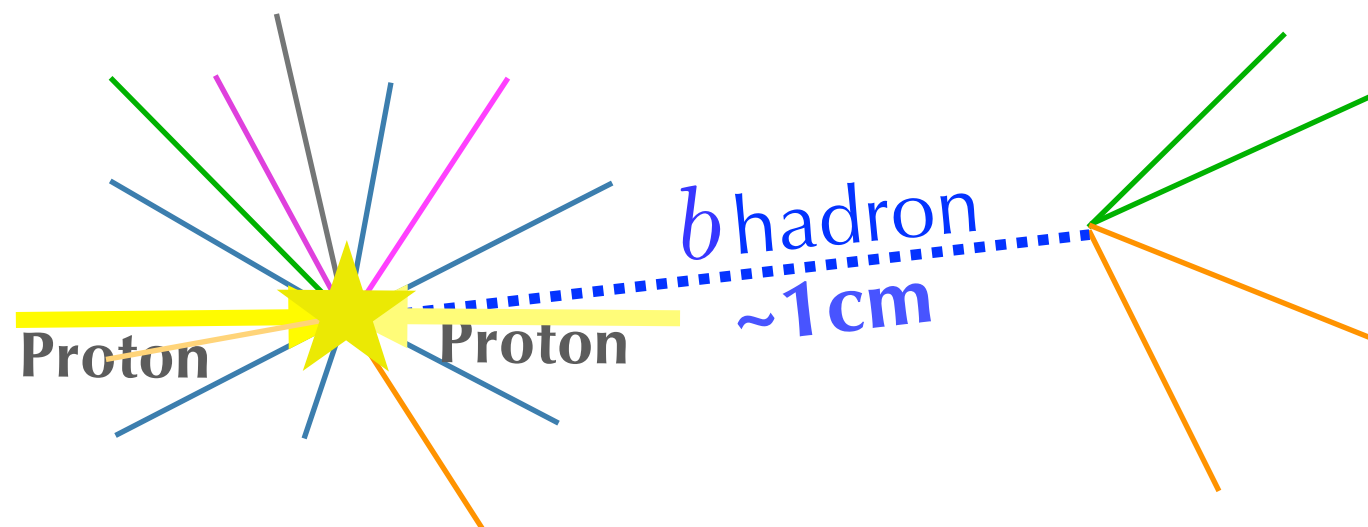
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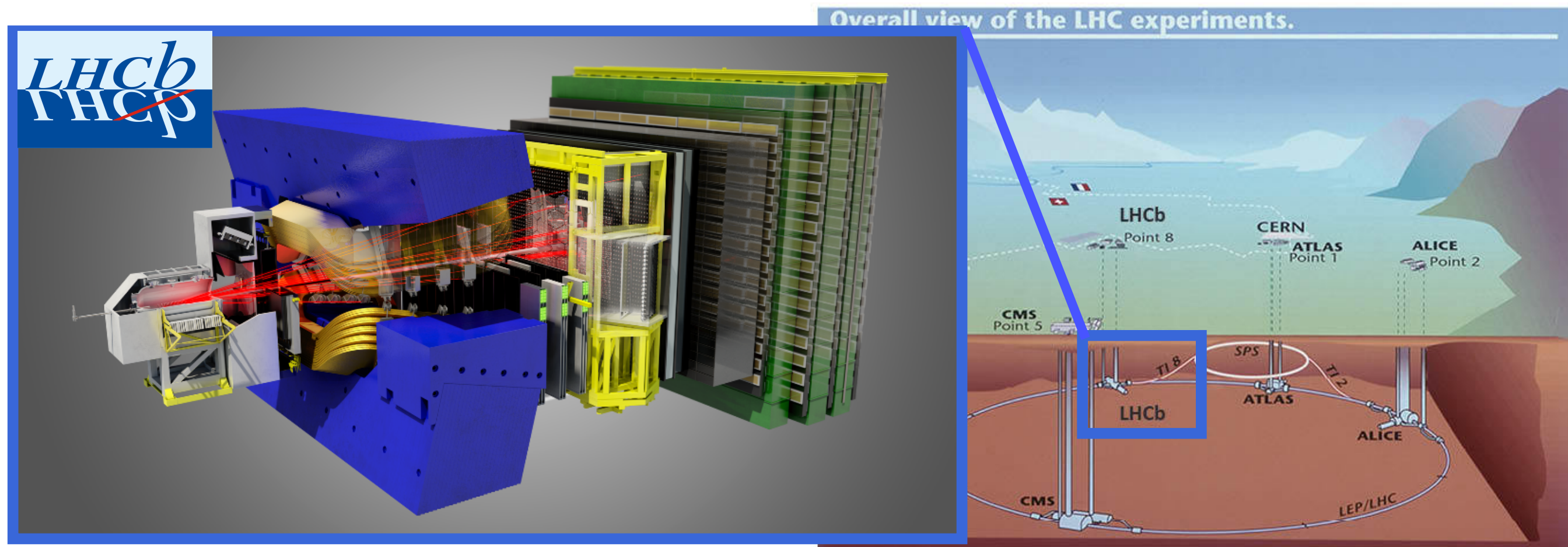


The original precision-measurement experiment: specialises in heavy quark decays:





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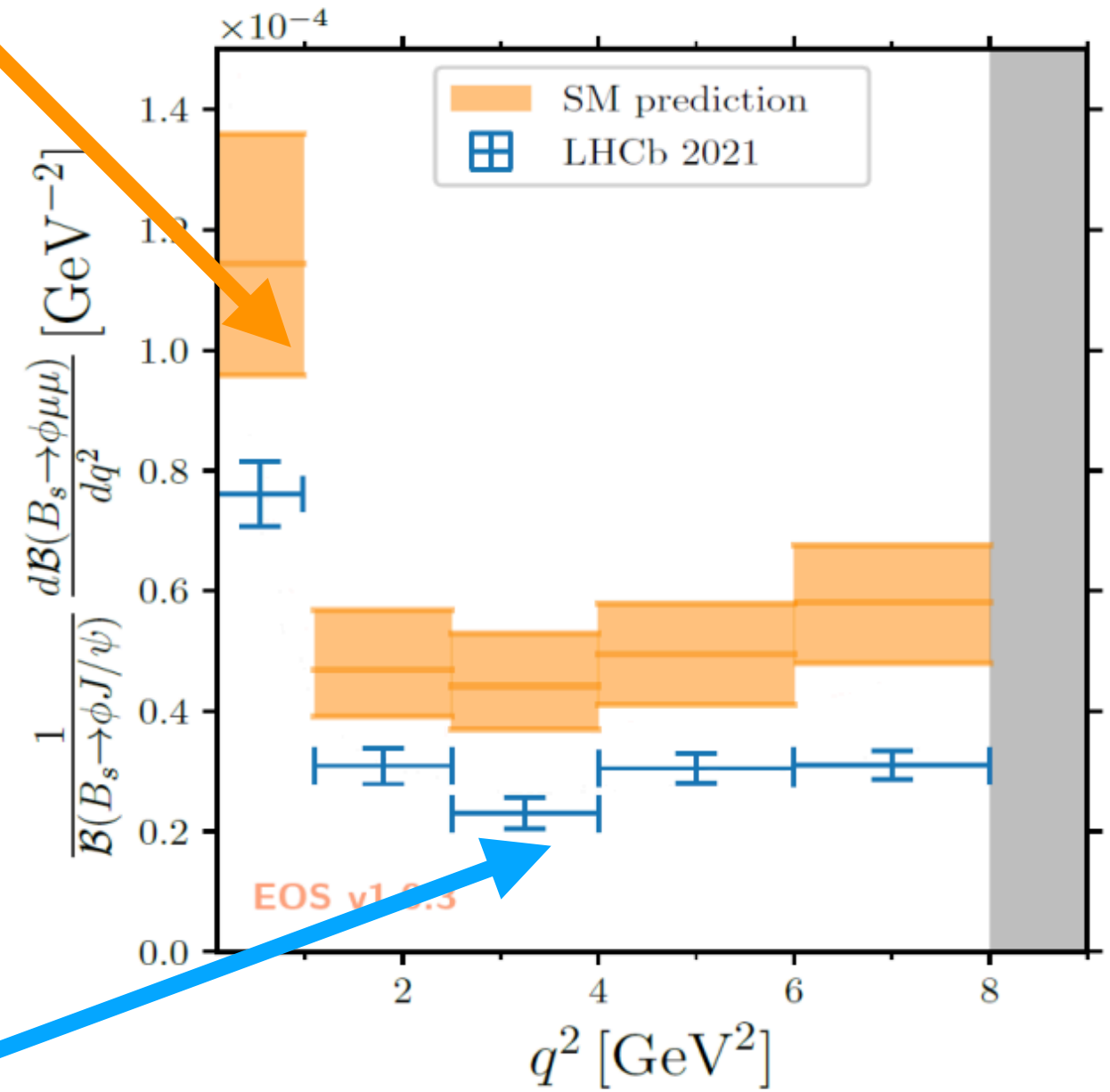
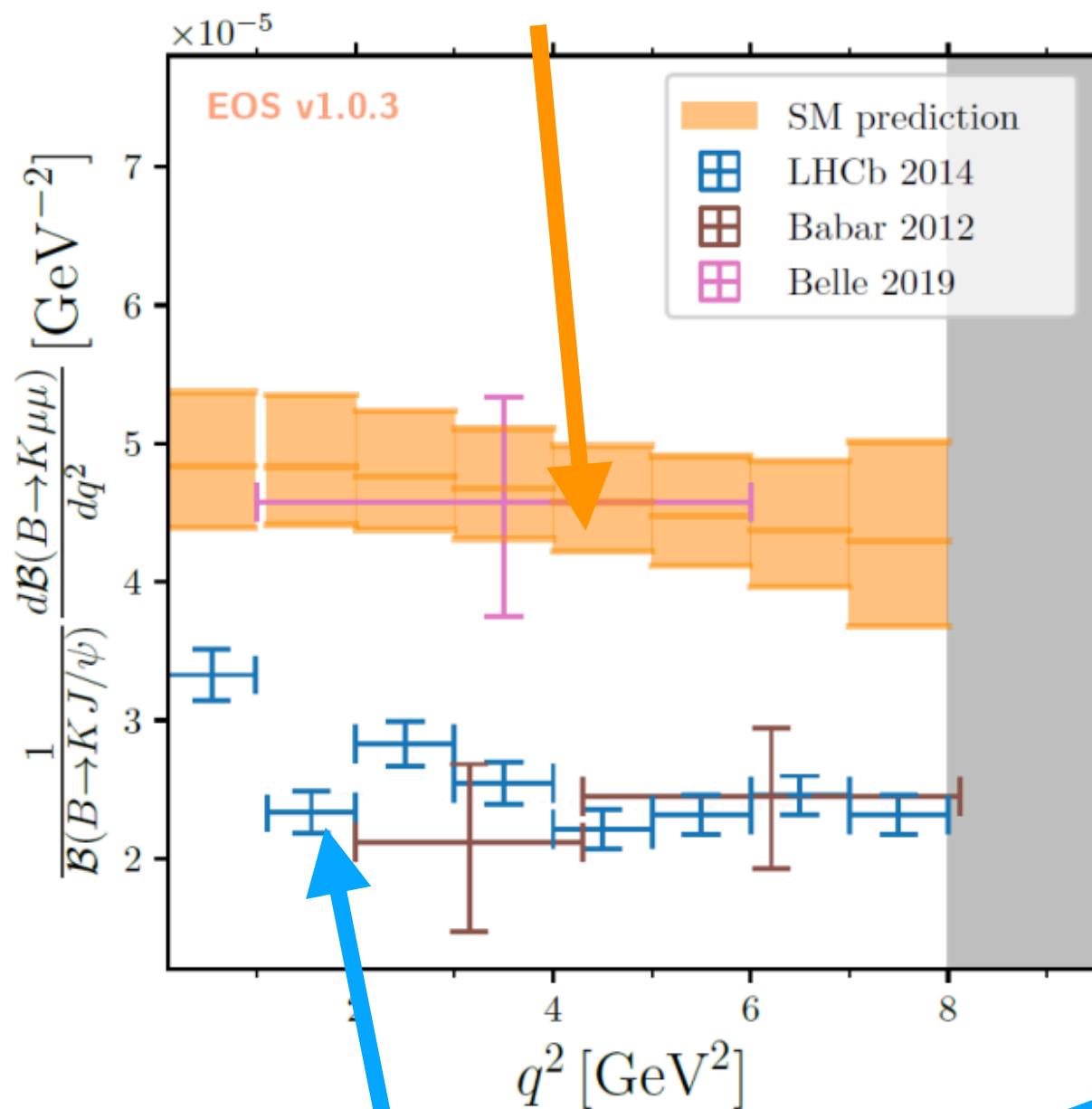
- World leading measurements of CP-violation
- Discovered over 70 new hadrons including new states of matter
- Observed significant deviations from SM in rare penguin decays

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Latest SM predictions (Lattice QCD)



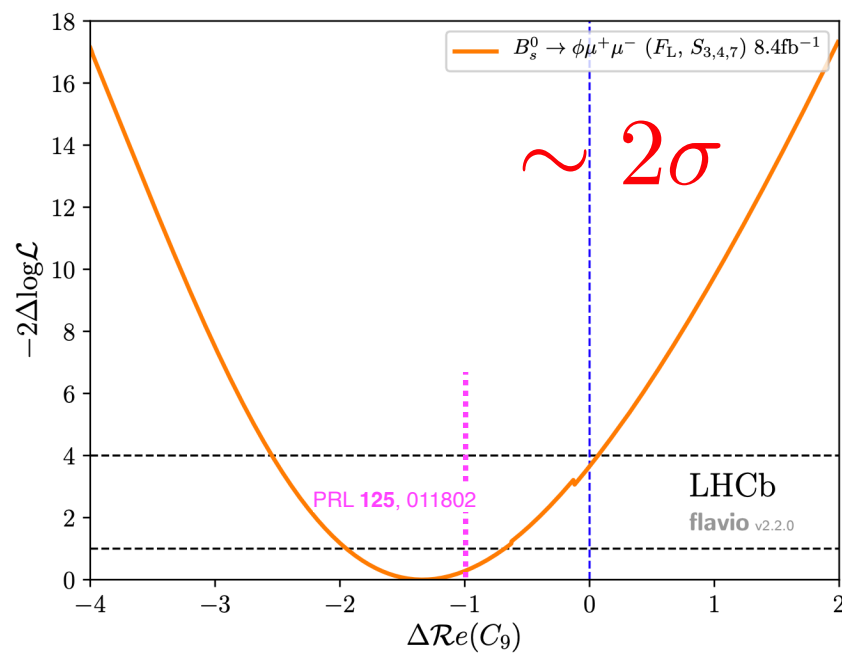
What we measure

And their angular distributions aren't as we expect

$$B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \mu^-$$

$$\Delta \mathcal{R}e(\mathcal{C}_9) = -1.3^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$$

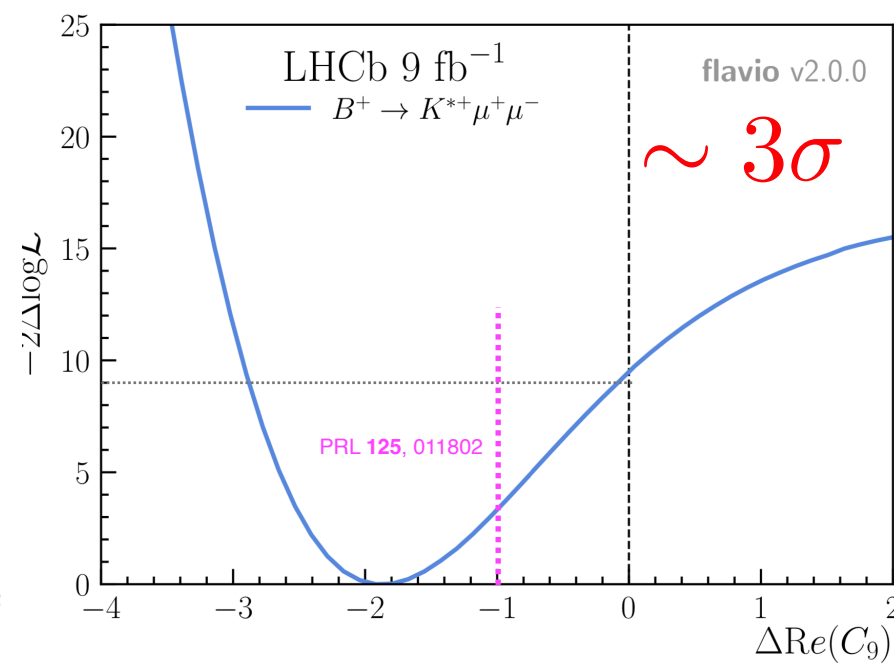
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$$B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+} \mu^+ \mu^-$$

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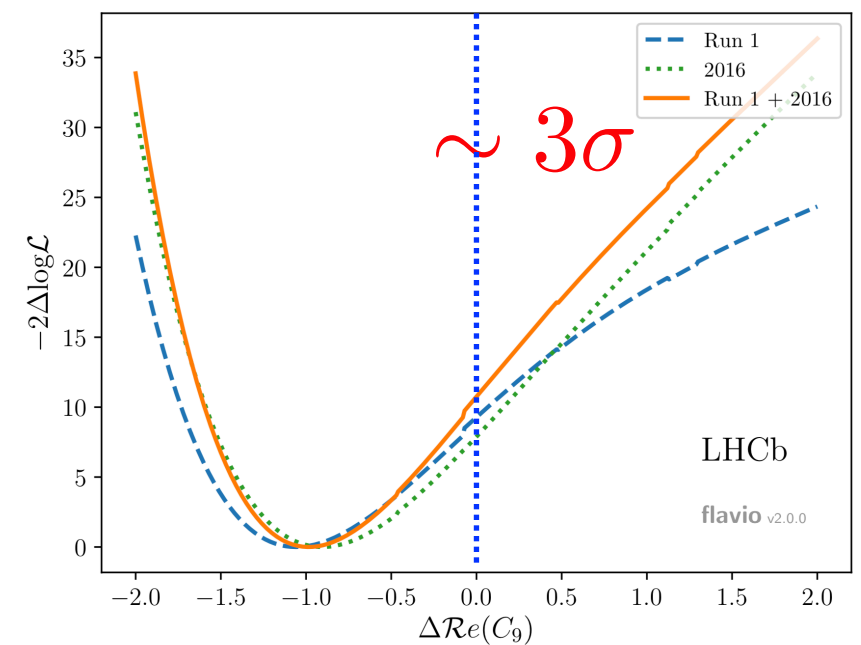
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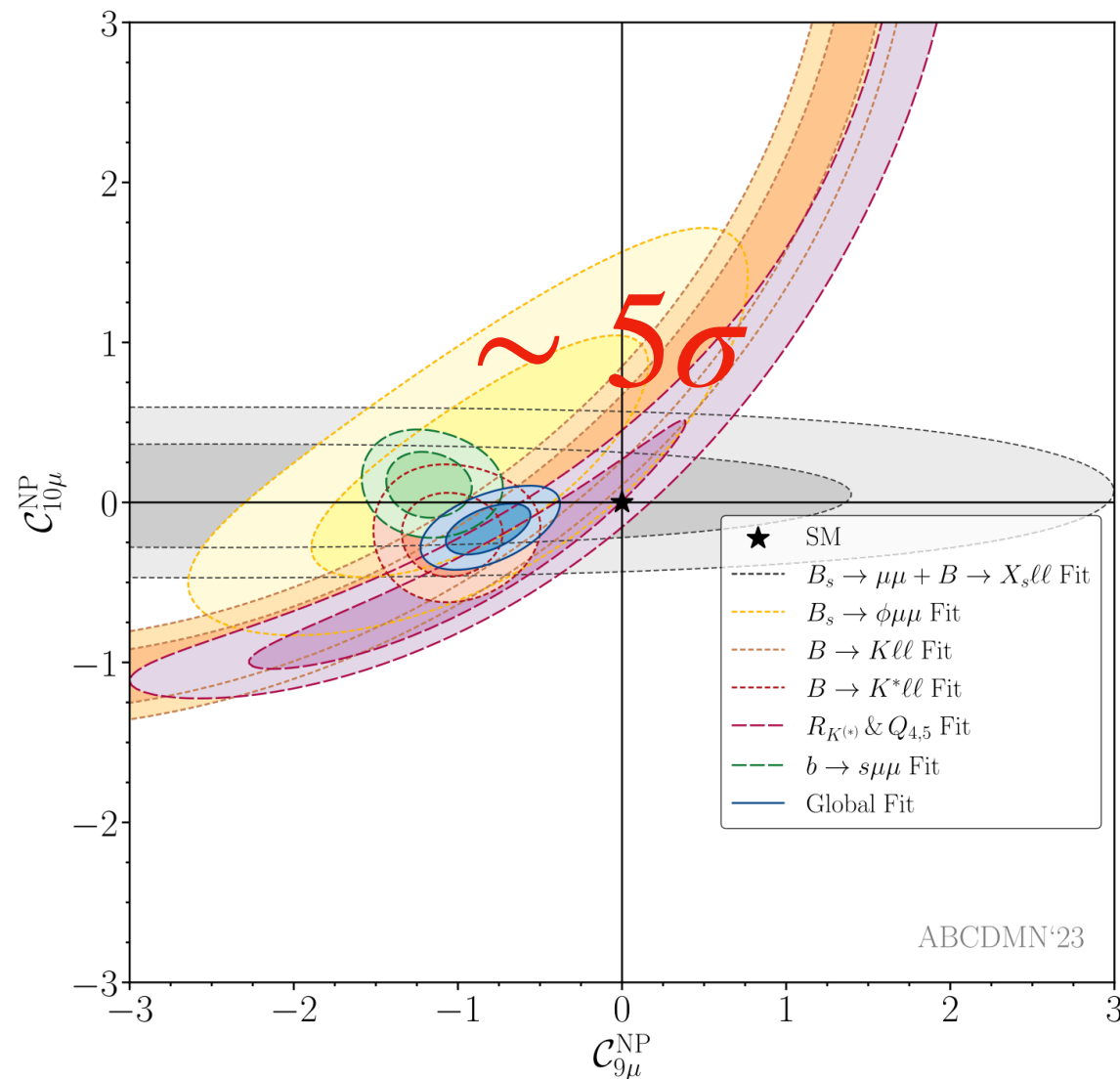
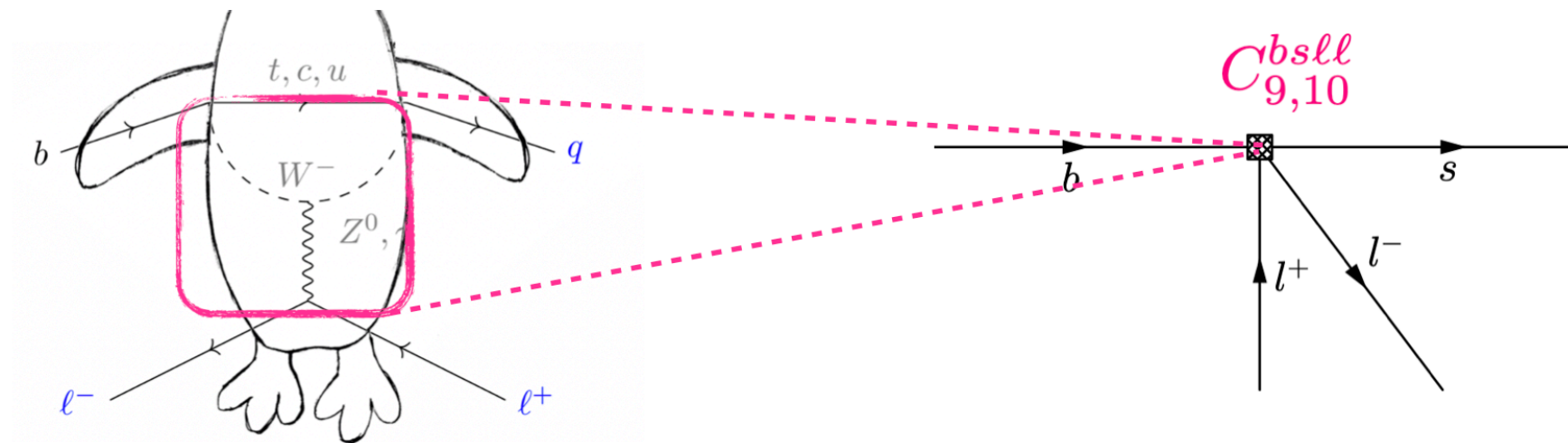
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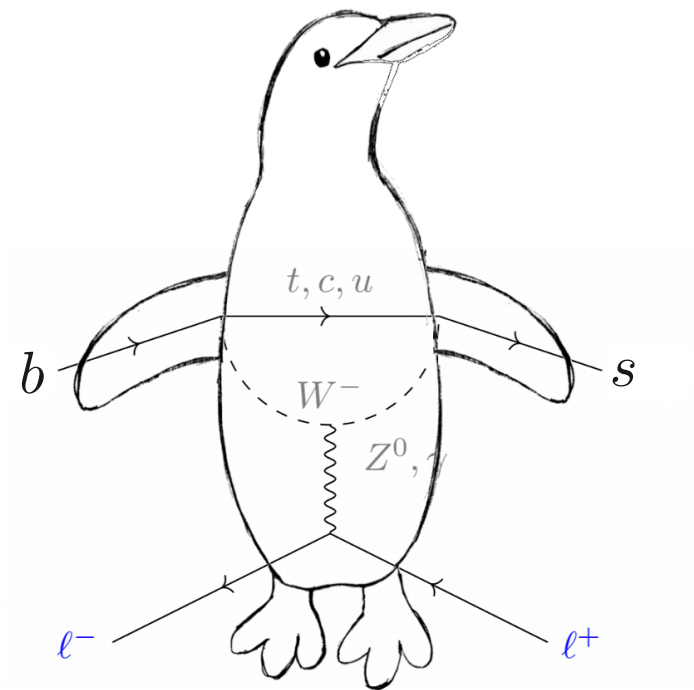
# Global fit to underlying effective couplings



- Results across all observables consistent
- Overall deviation from SM at the 3-5  $\sigma$  level - but sig. depends on theory assumptions

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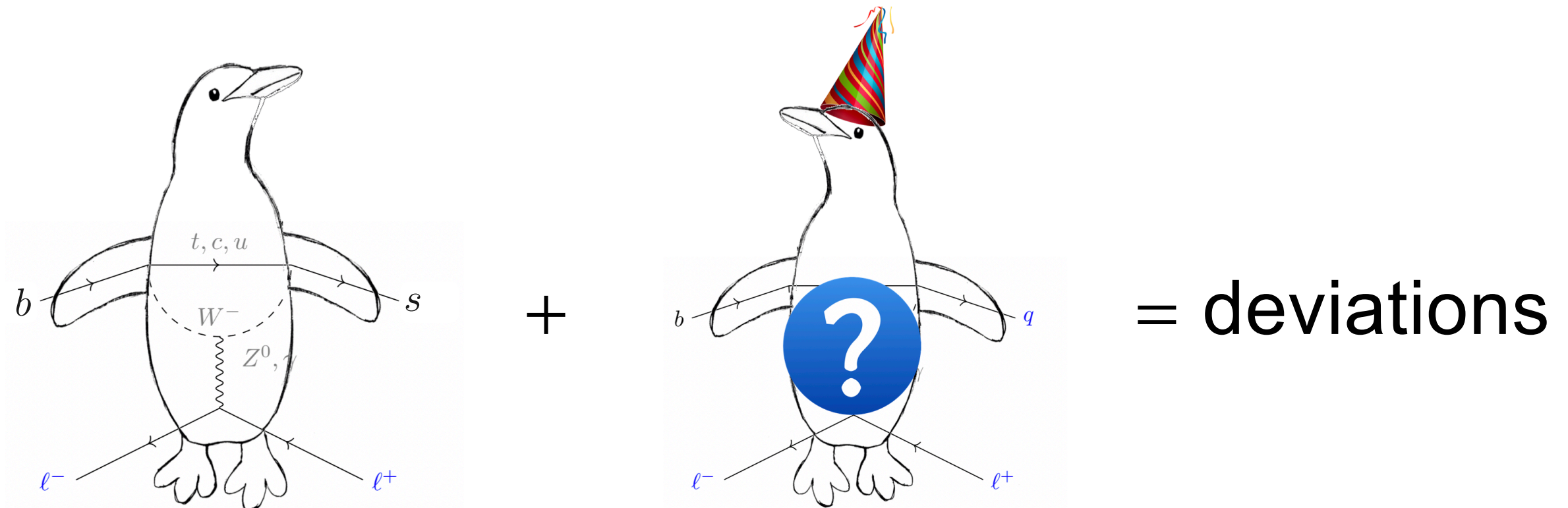
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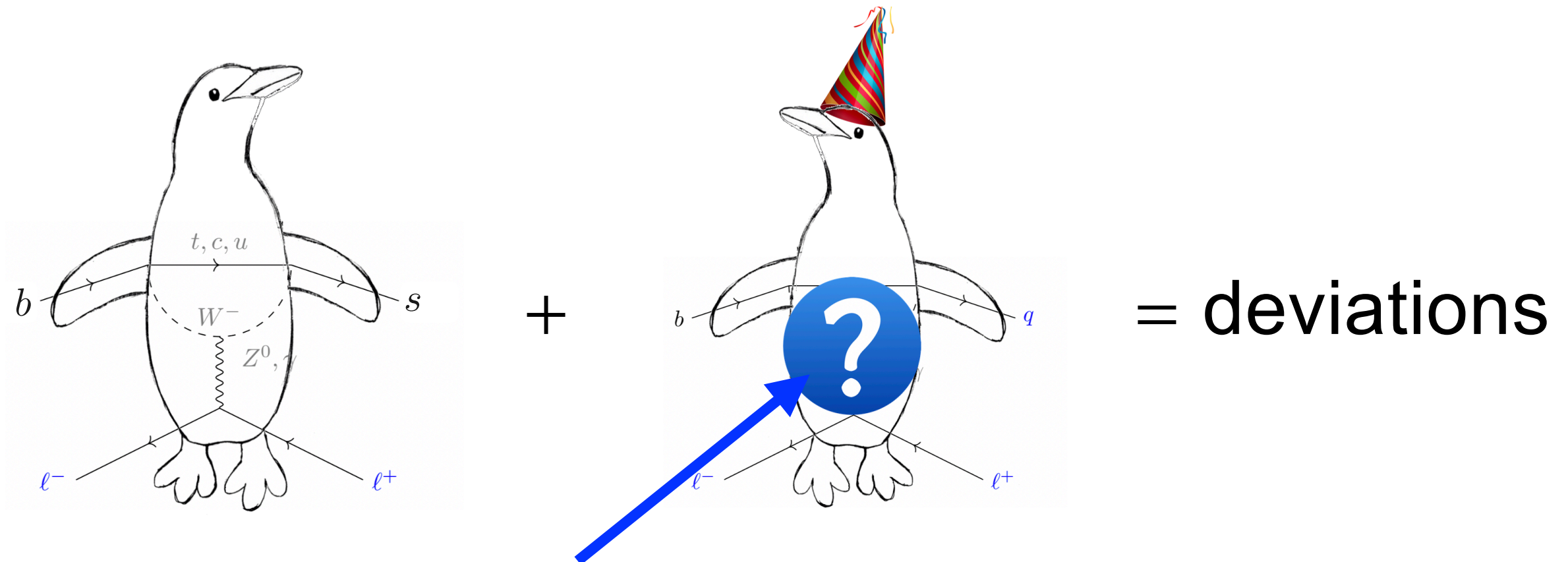
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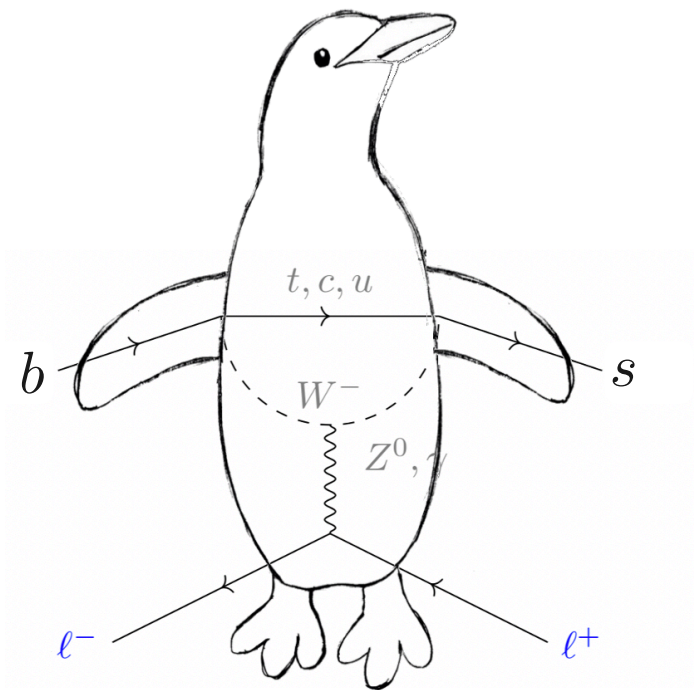
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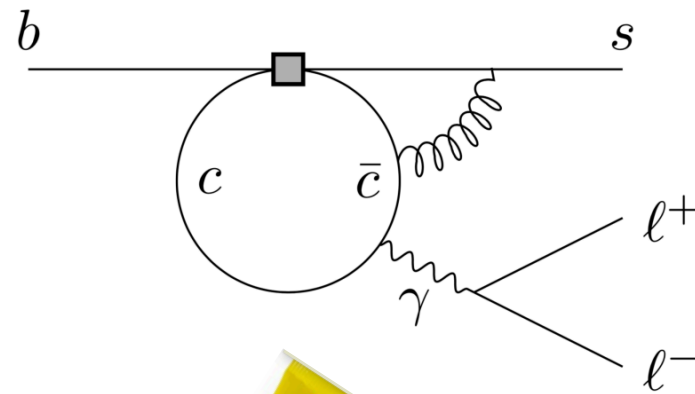
CP violating? Leptoquark? = PhD projects

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Option 2 - misunderstood QCD processes



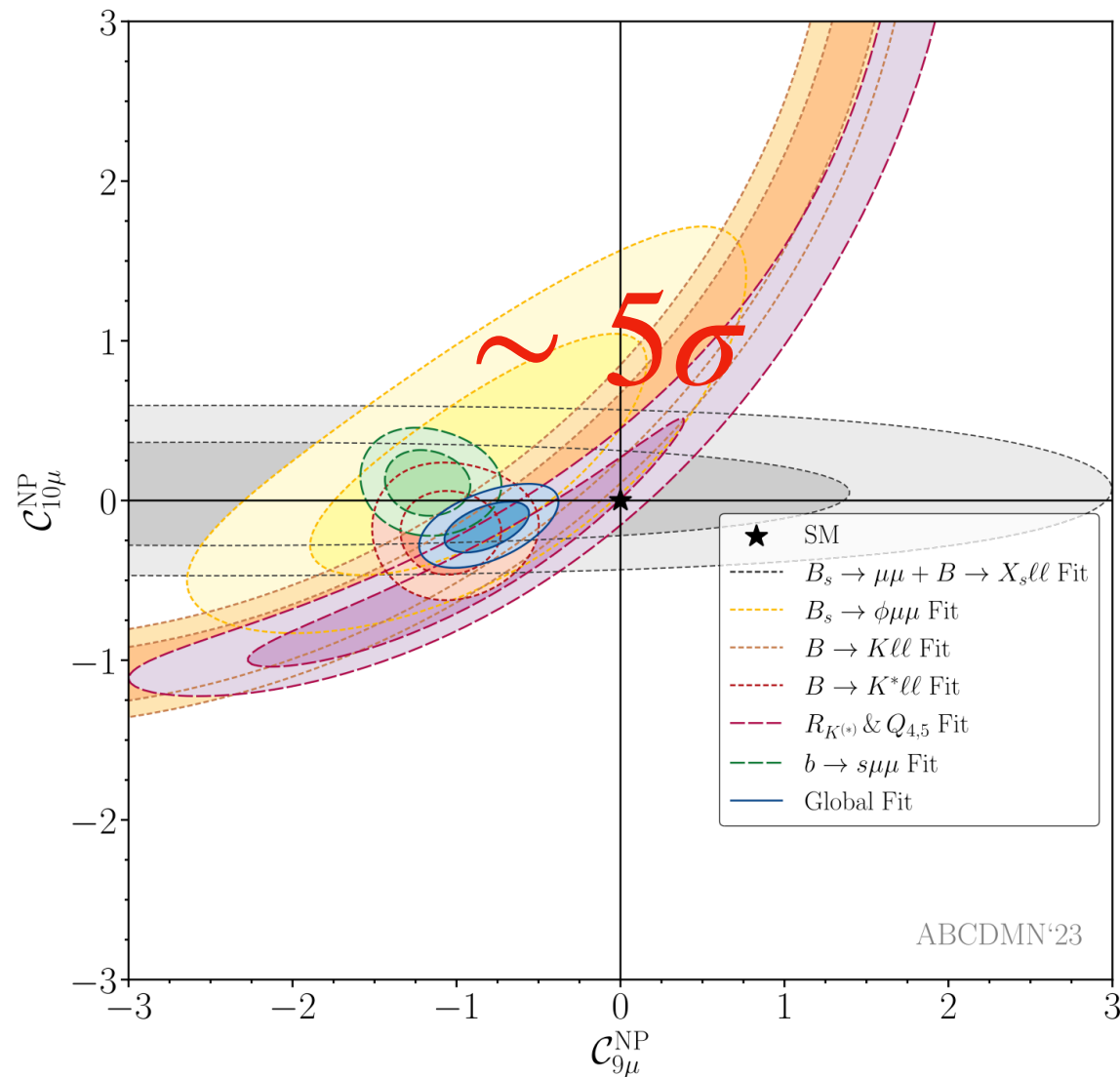
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# PhD Projects



Perform 5 (for 6!) dimensional fits in order to **fully analyse** the final states of electroweak penguin decays

Use the results to understand whether these deviations are due to heavy new physics !!

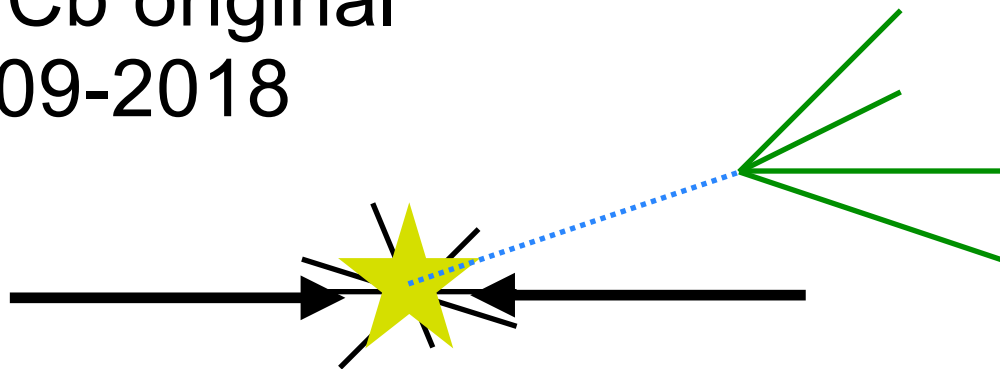
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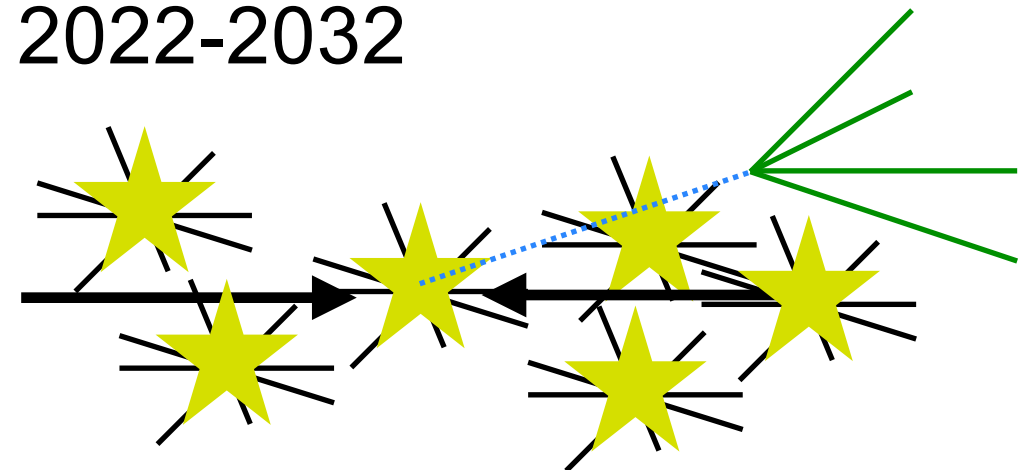
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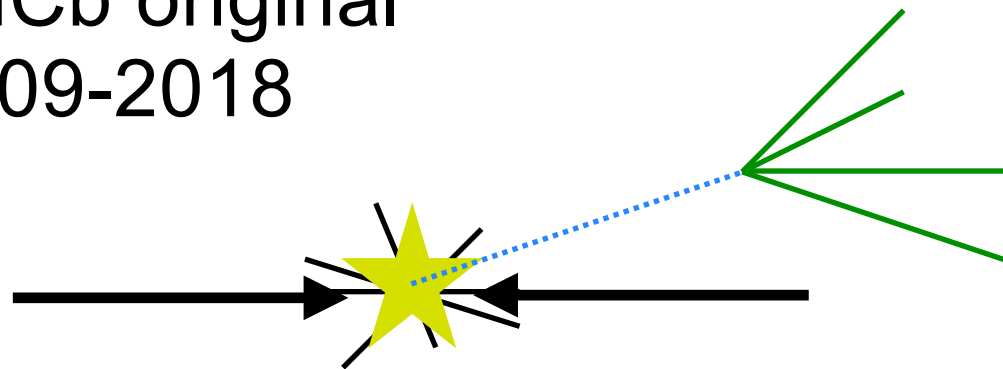
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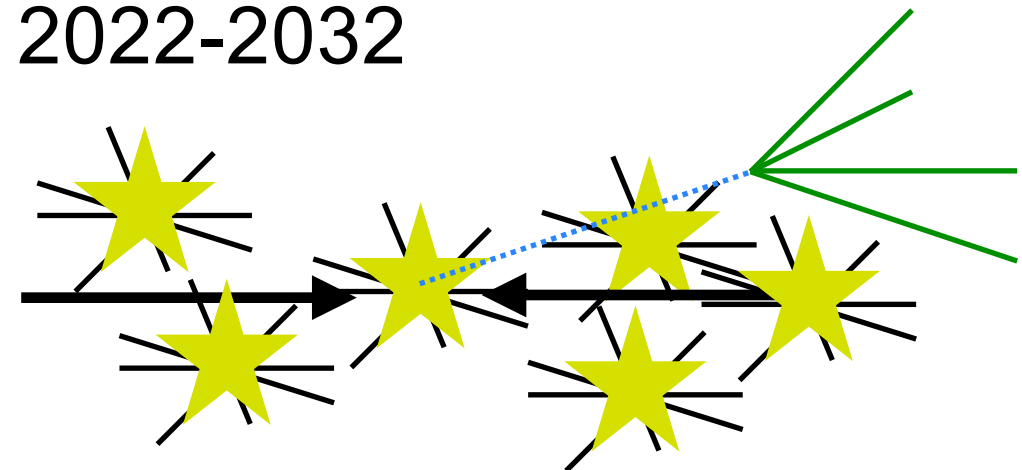
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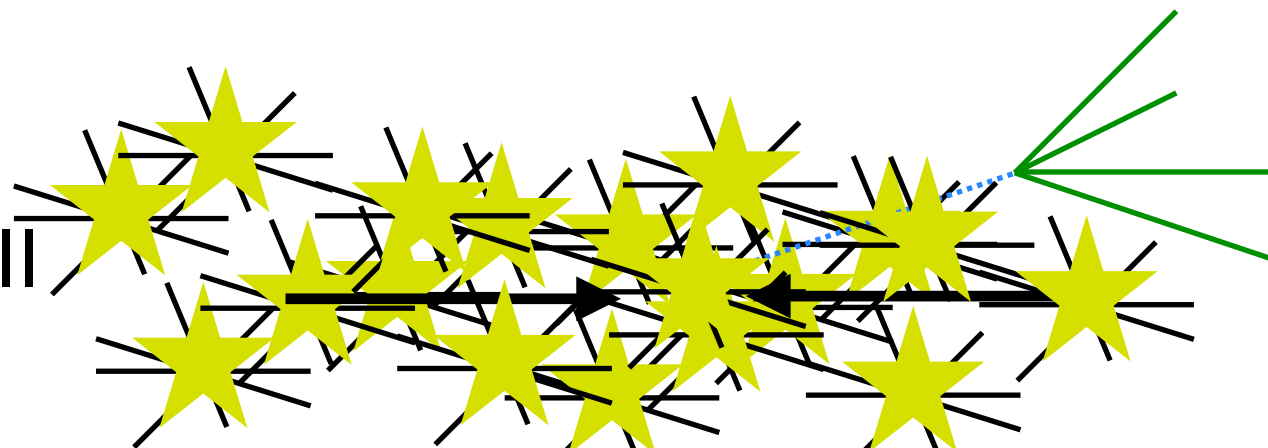
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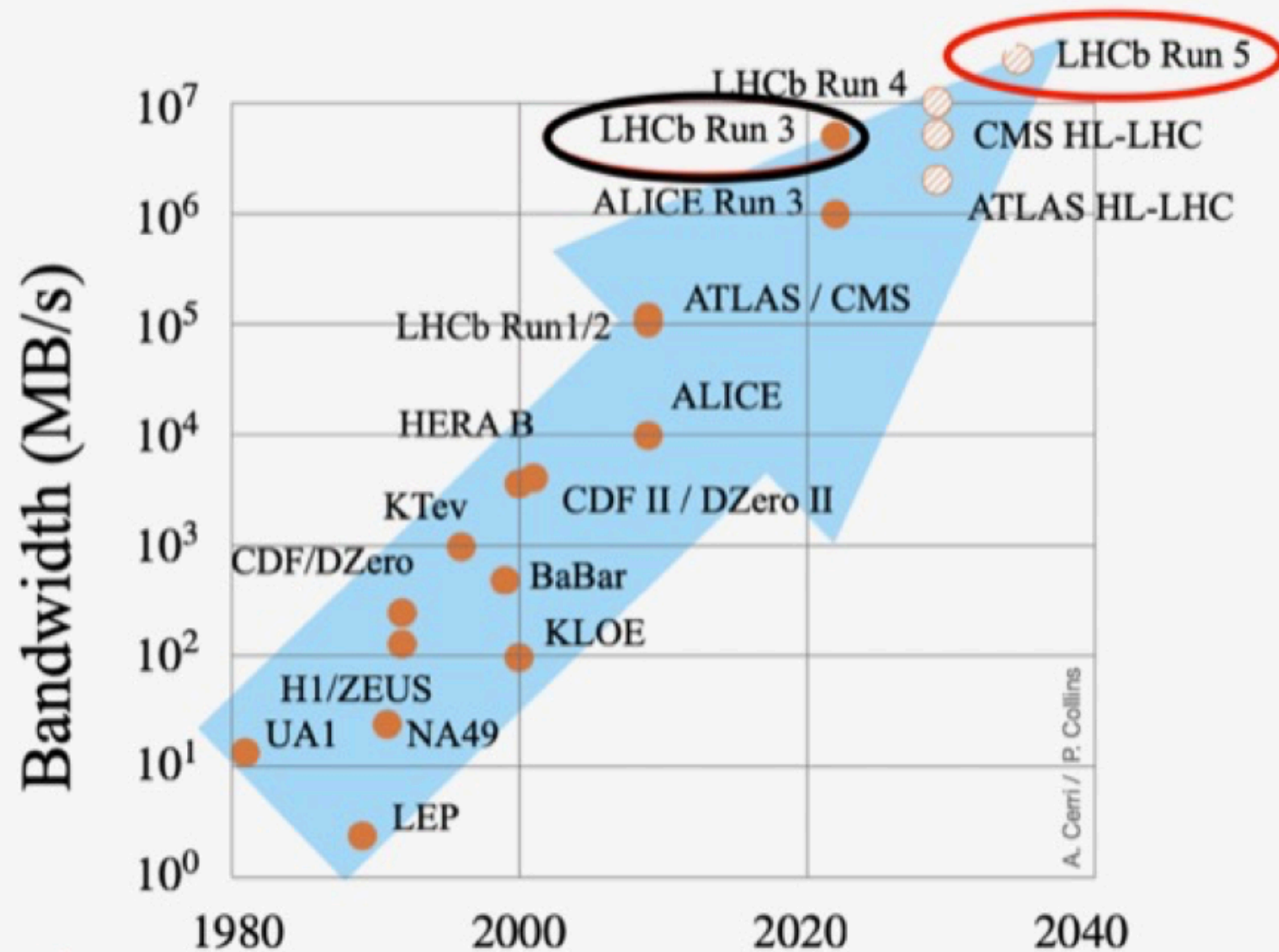


~40 pp collisions per bunch-crossing

+ ~30 million bunch crossings a second!

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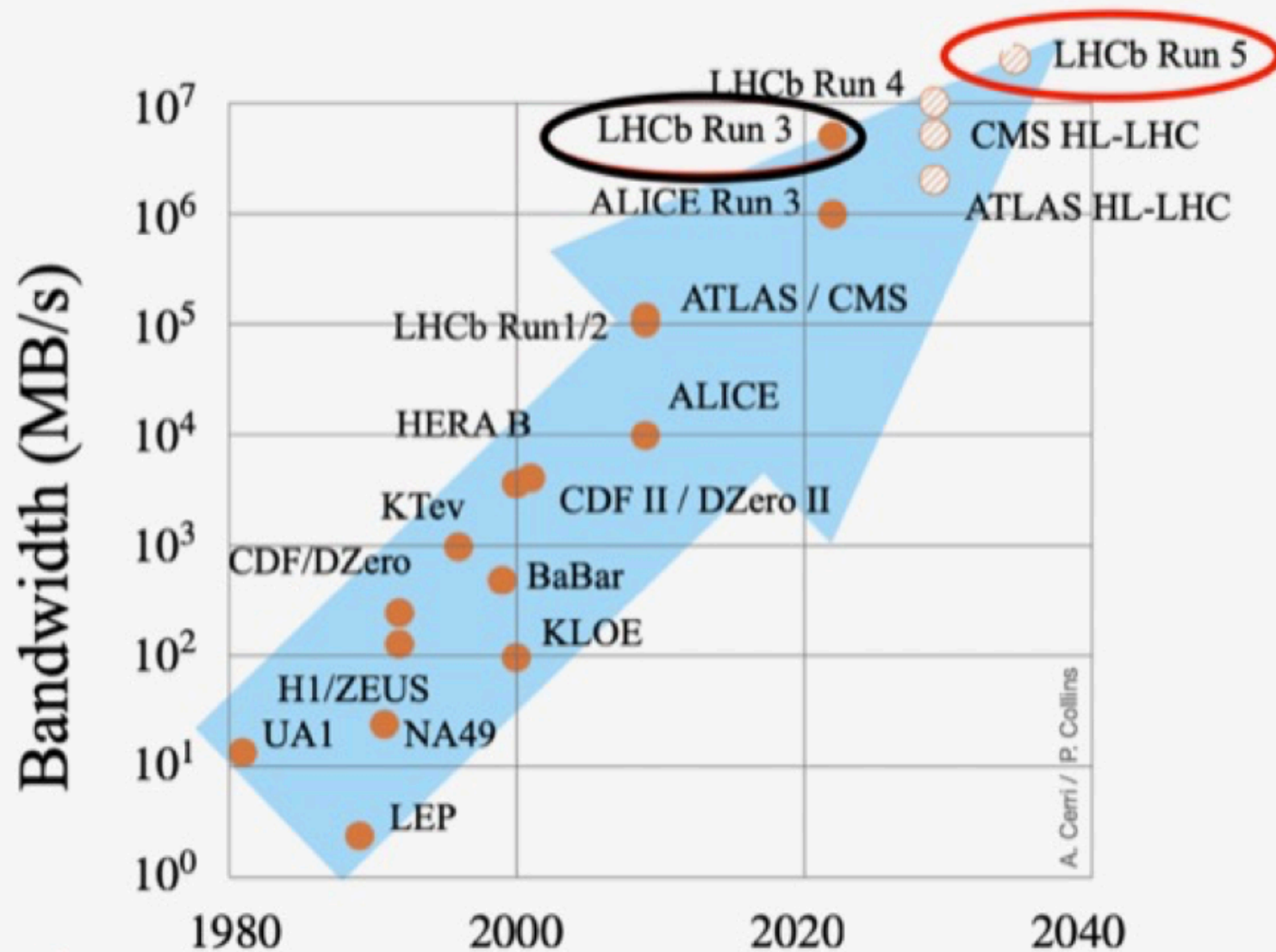
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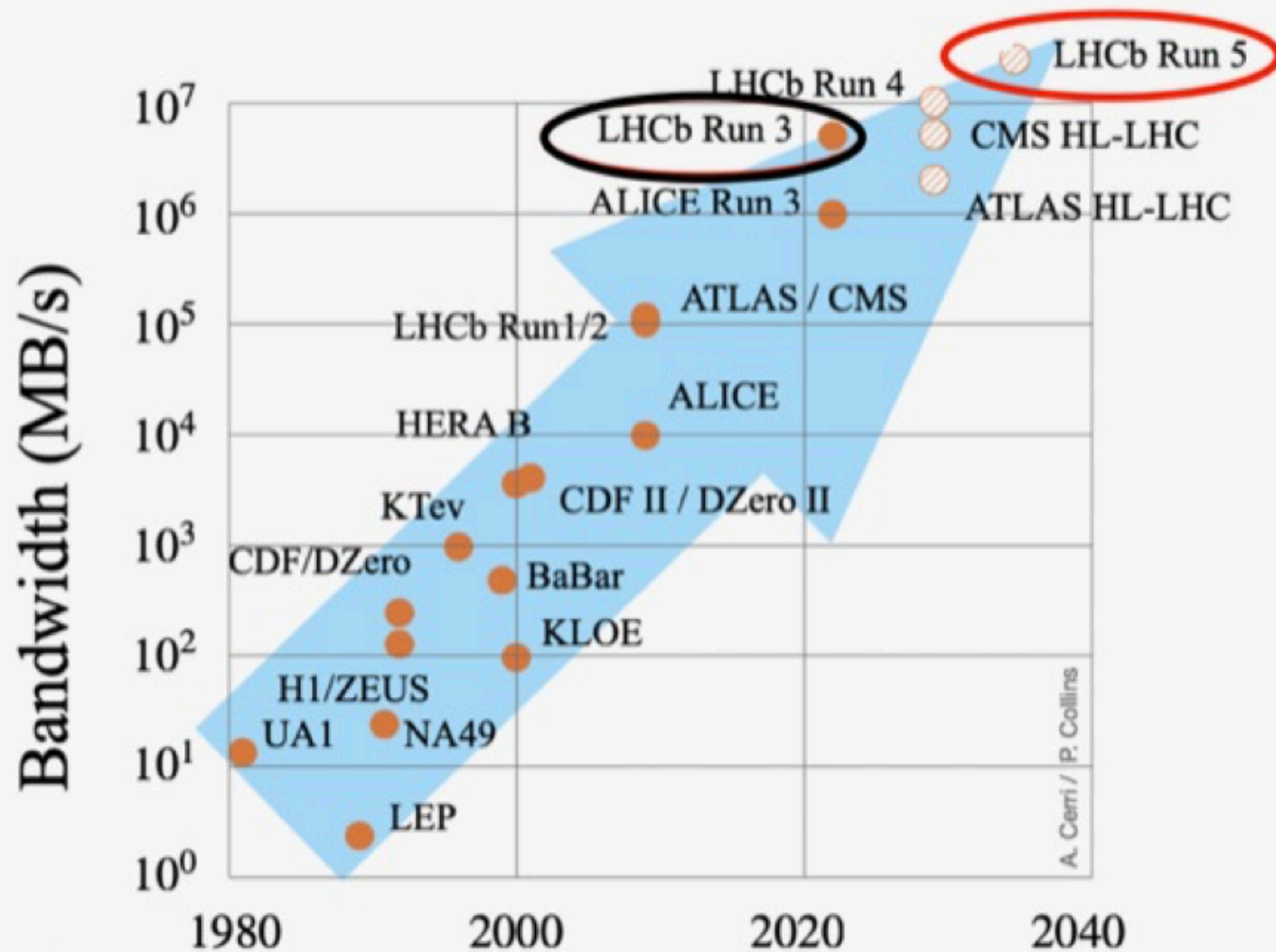


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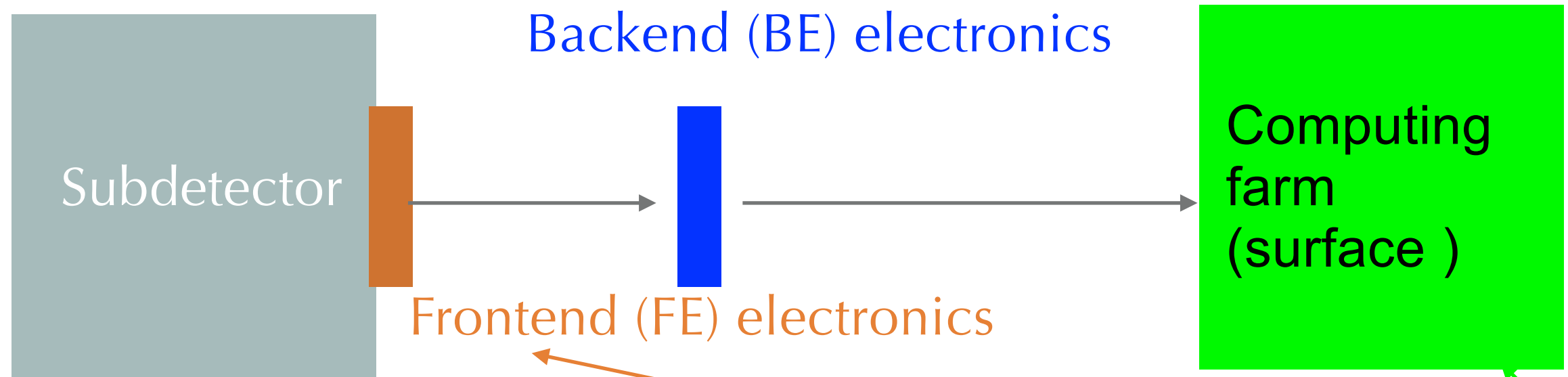


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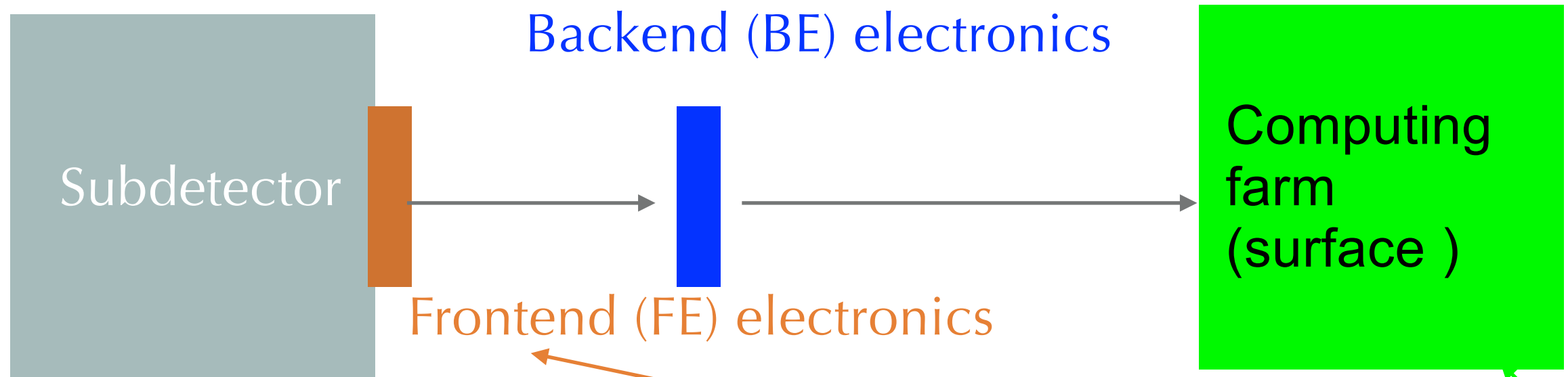
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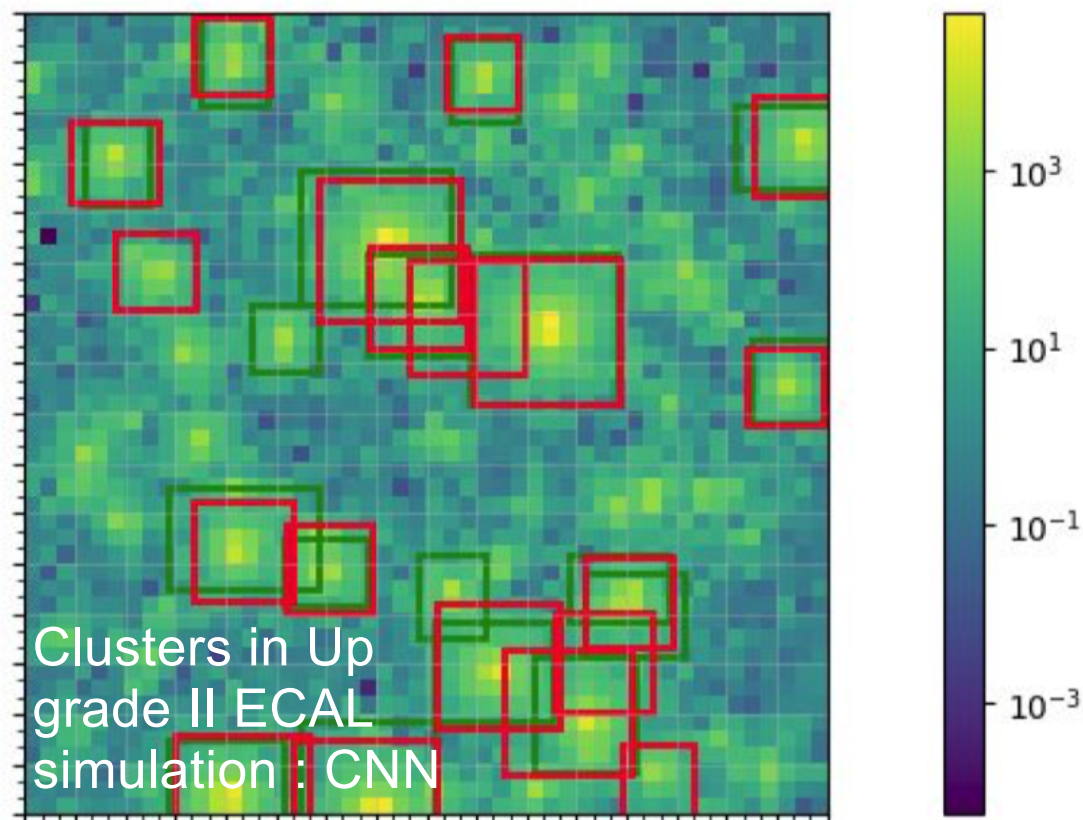
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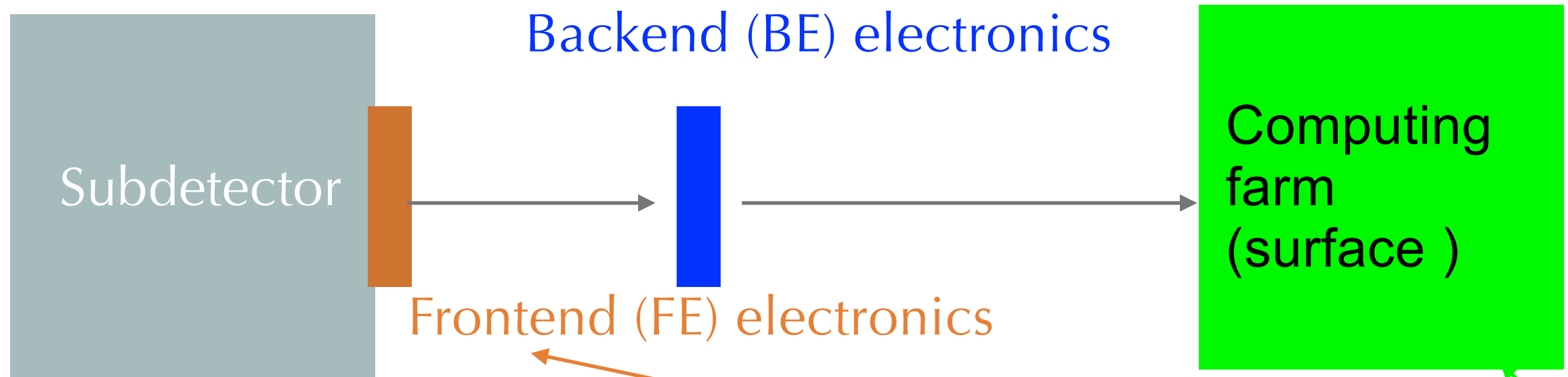


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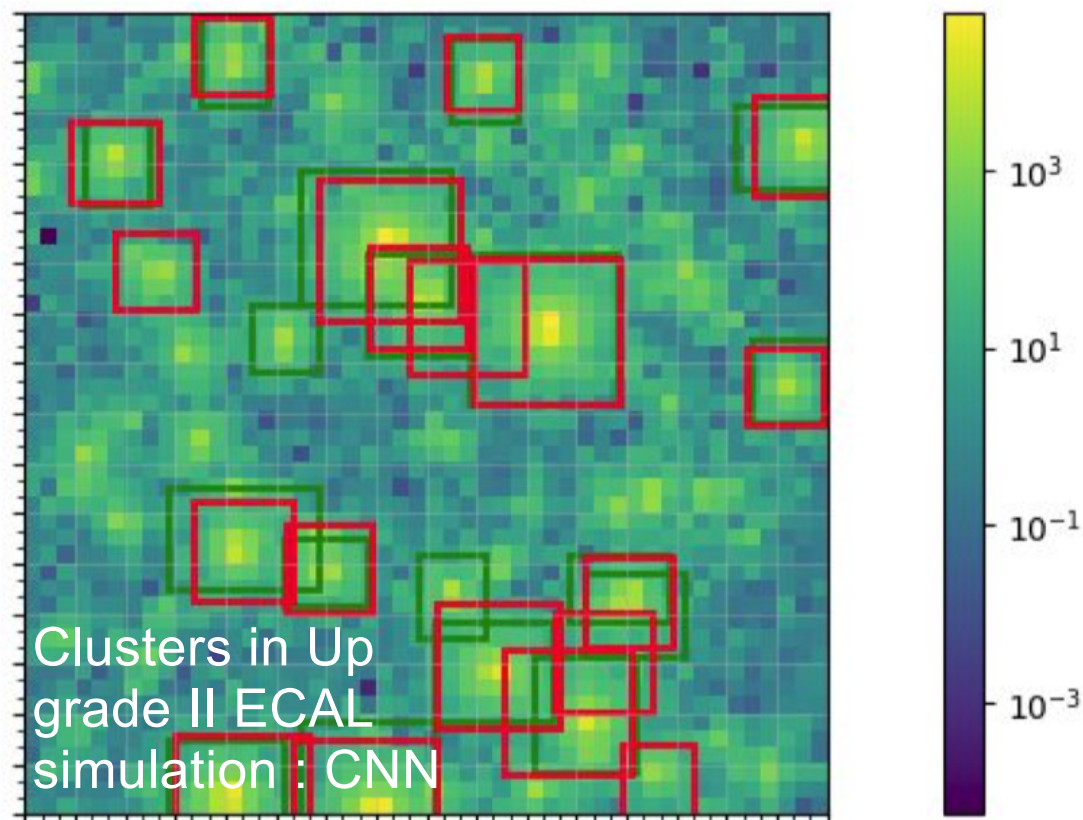


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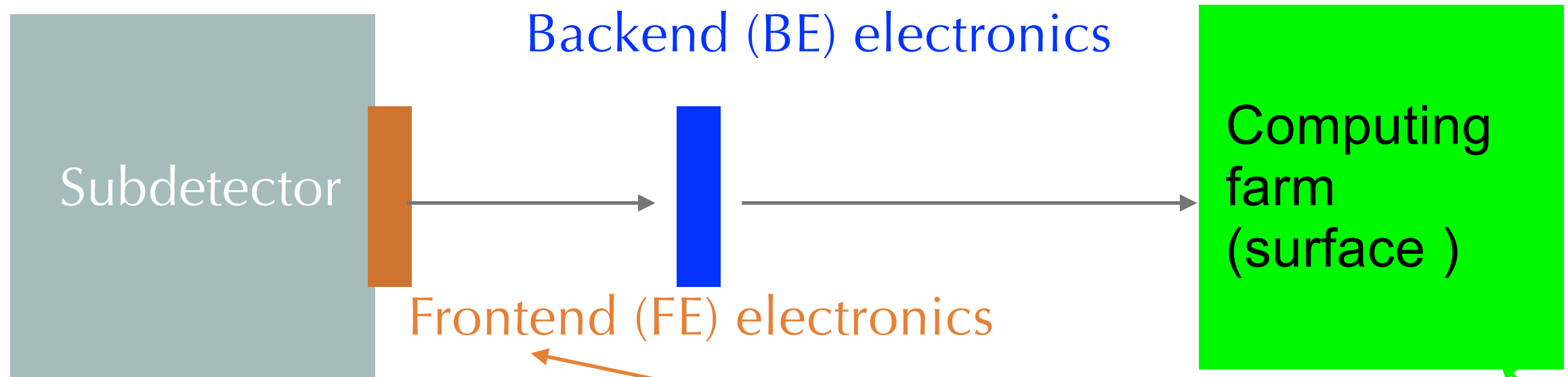


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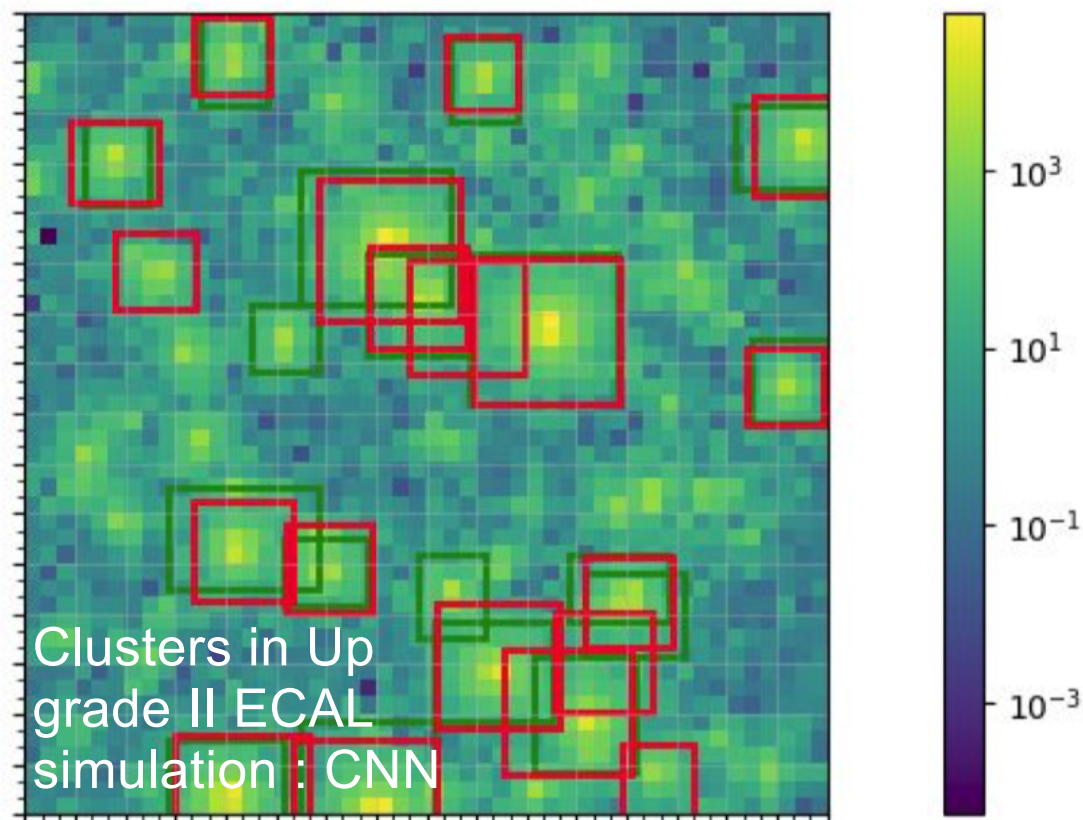
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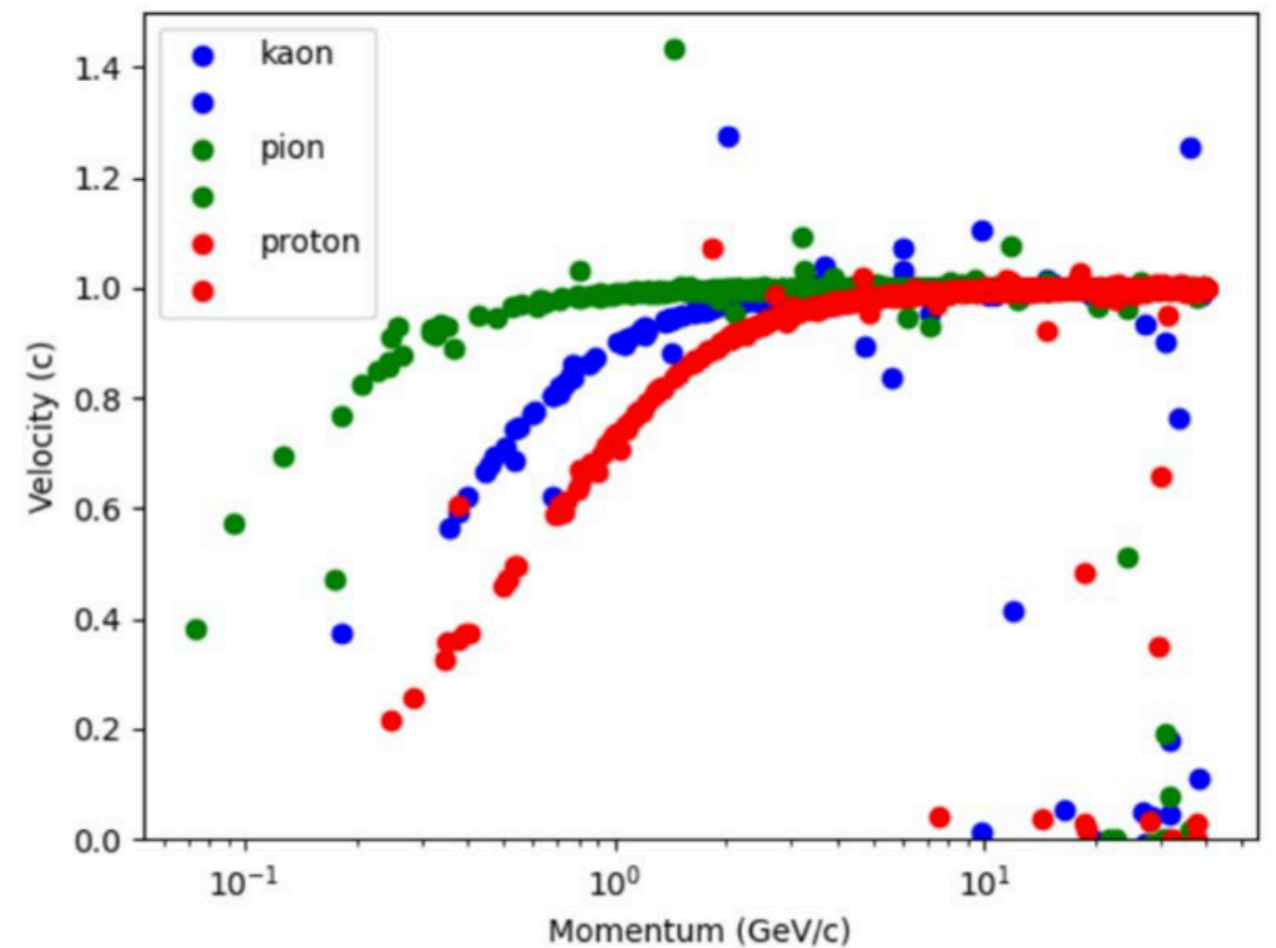
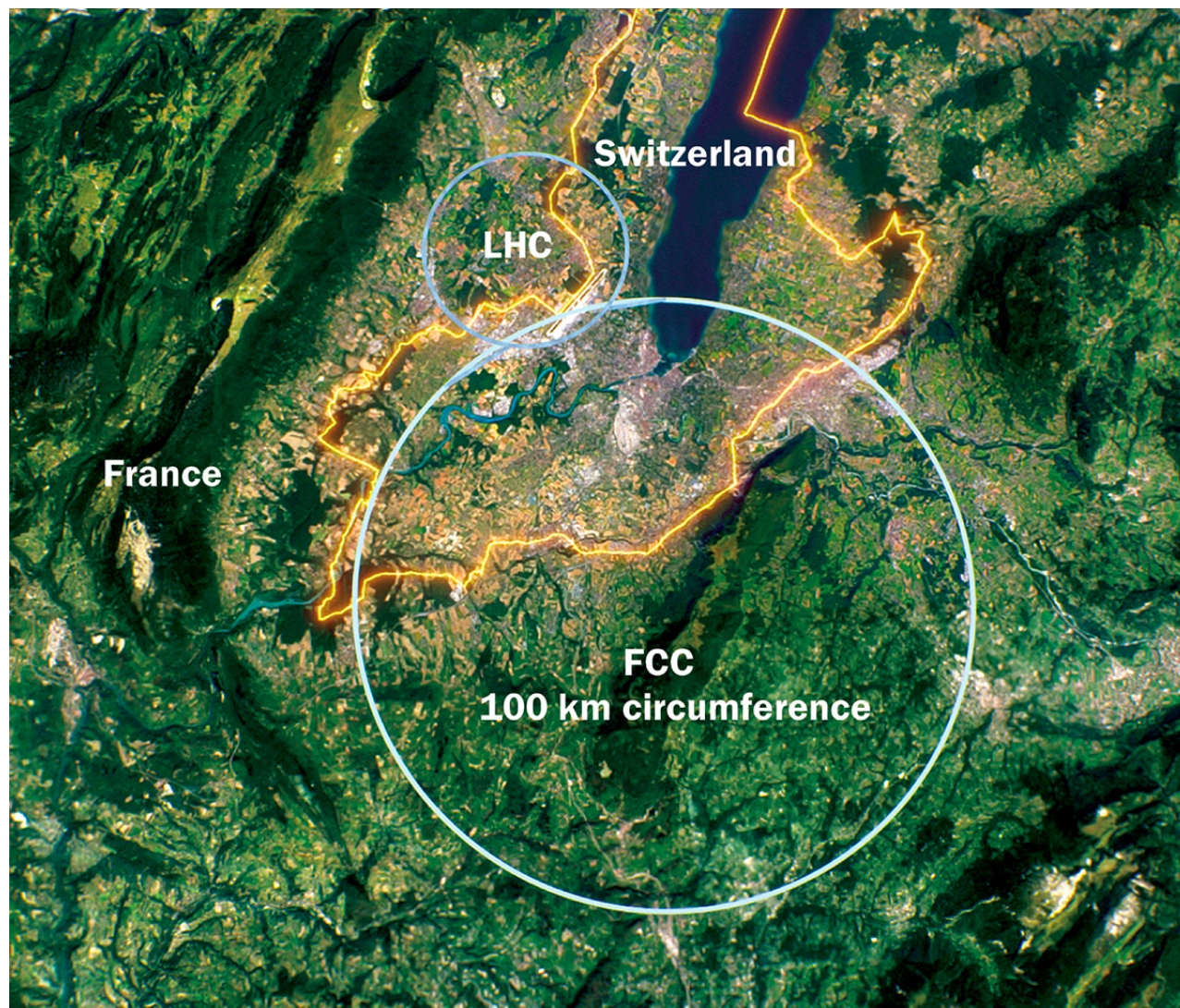
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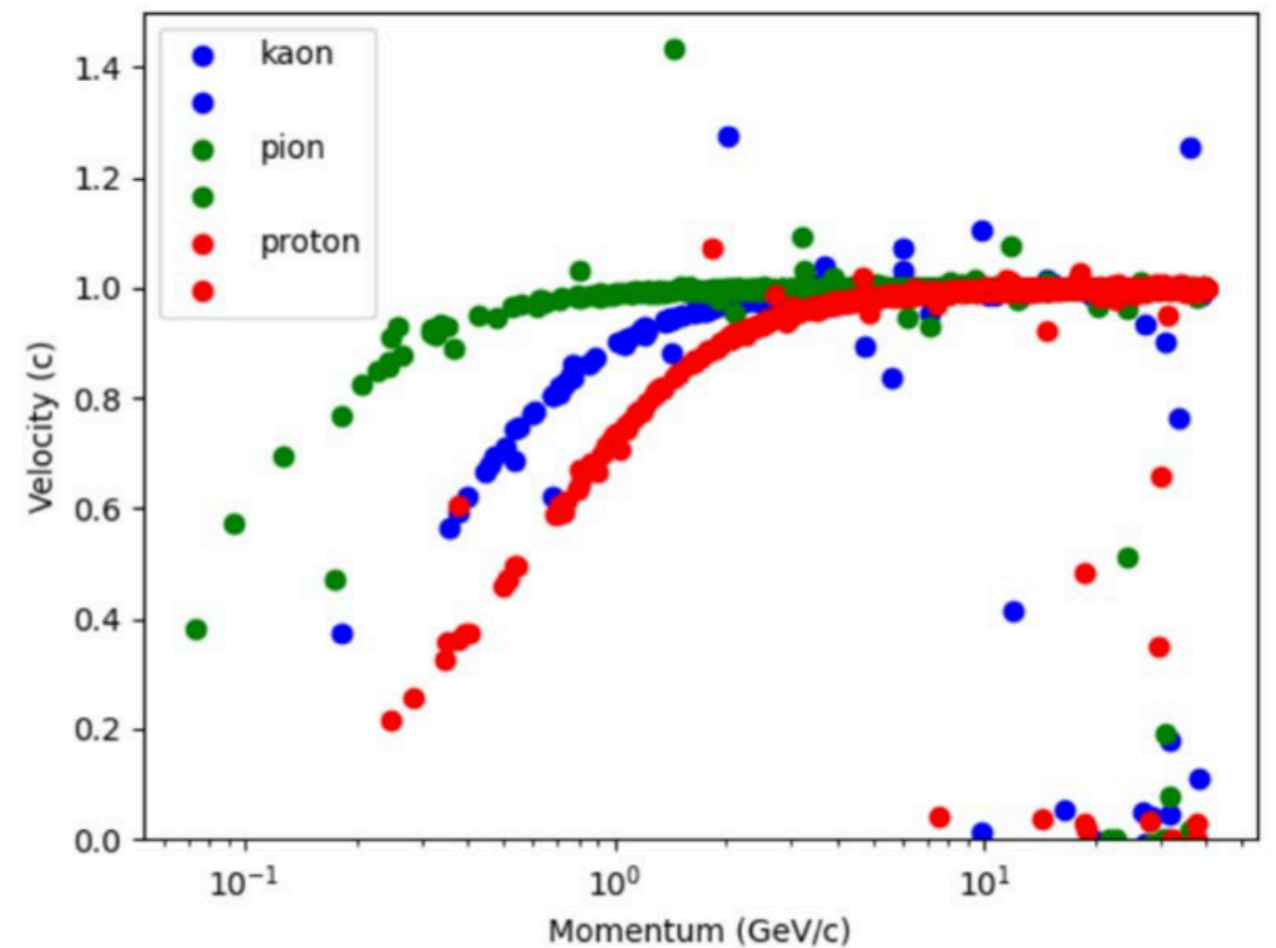
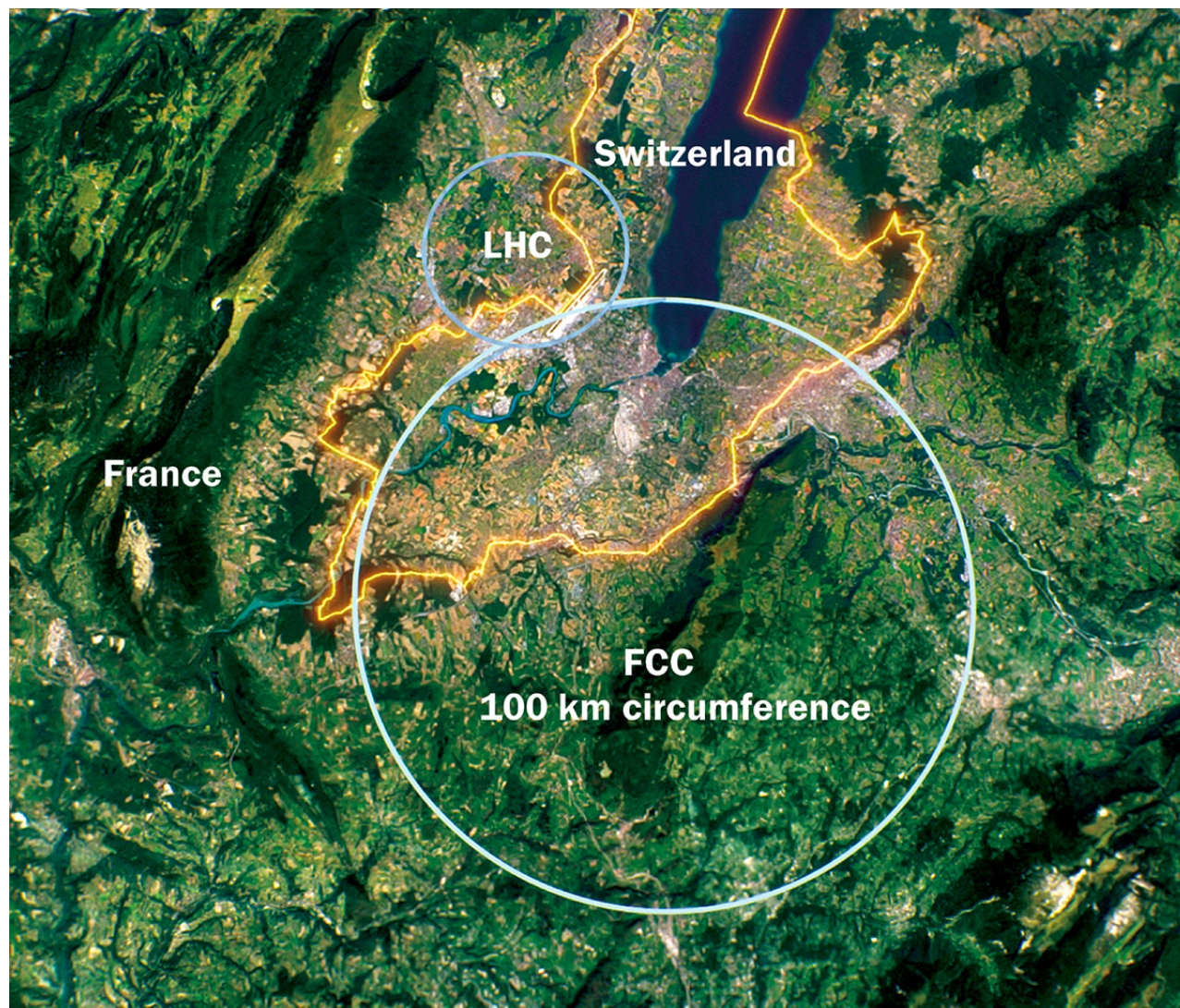




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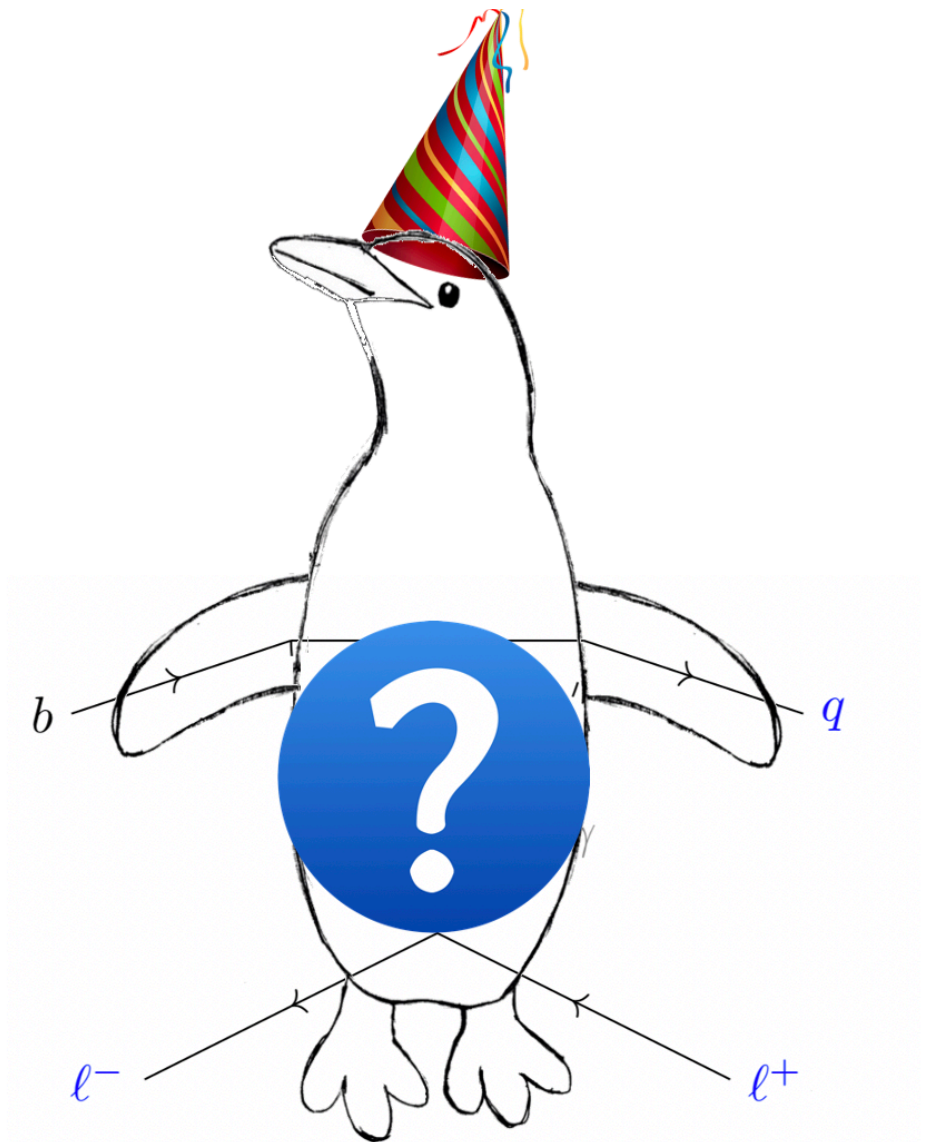
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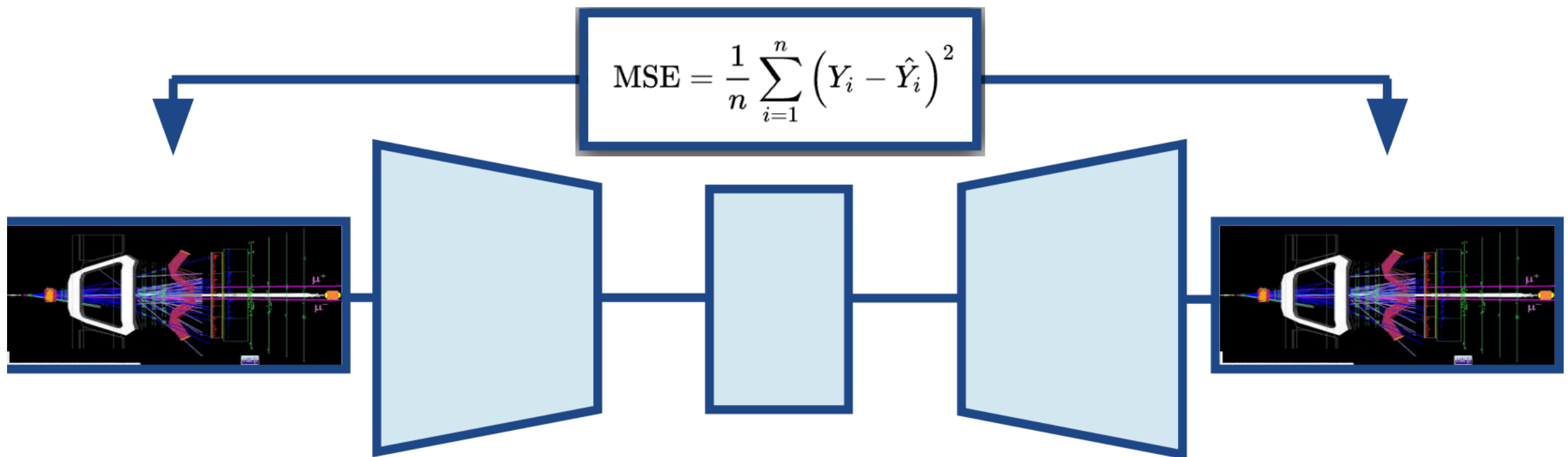
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# Machine-learning on FPGAs

- *Encode* input in smaller dimensional space  $1024 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 1024$  [\*more details\*](#)
- *Minimize* mean squared error during the autoencoder training to find an optimal configuration of the network weights
- In the past I developed an AE with **80ns** latency [\*Nature Machine Intelligence\*](#)



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The performance is checked with reco vs original pulse shape on a 100 GeV sample (that was not used for training) → perfect reconstruction of the full pulse shape from 4 floats

**Note** this using test beam simulation, so no pile up; studies with smaller number of samples ongoing

