

# Lecture 2: Introduction to Collider Physics

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# Past and Current High Energy Colliders

- **TEVATRON:**  $p\bar{p}$  collider, 1987-2011

Circumference: 6.28 km

Collision energy:  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96 \text{ TeV}$

Luminosity:  $\mathcal{L} \sim 4.3 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Detectors: CDF, DØ

- **LEP:**  $e^+e^-$  collider, 1989-2000

Circumference: 26.66 km

Collision energy:  $\sqrt{s} = 91 - 209 \text{ GeV}$

Luminosity:  $\mathcal{L} \sim (2 - 10) \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Detectors: ALEPH, DELPHI, OPAL, L3

- **LHC:**  $pp$  ( $p\text{Pb}$ ,  $\text{PbPb}$ ) collider, 2009-

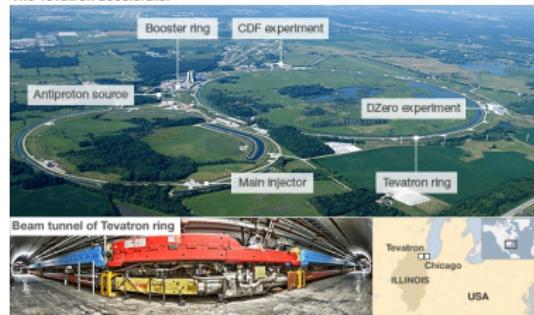
Circumference: 26.66 km

Collision energy:  $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8, 13, 14 \text{ TeV}$

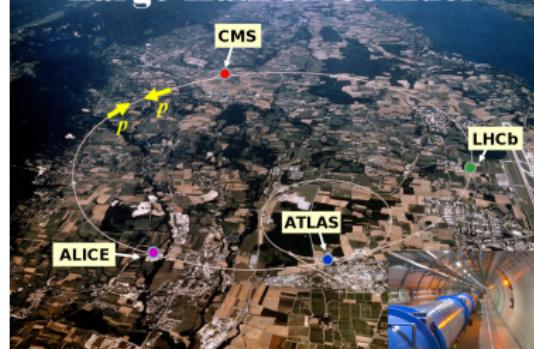
Luminosity:  $\mathcal{L} \sim (1 - 5) \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Detectors: ATLAS, CMS, ALICE, LHCb

The Tevatron accelerator



**Large Hadron Collider**



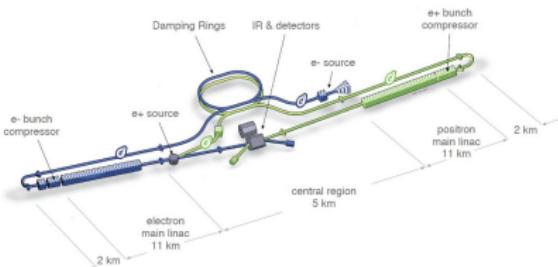
# Future Projects

- **ILC:** International Linear Collider

$e^+e^-$  collider,  $\sqrt{s} = 250 \text{ GeV} - 1 \text{ TeV}$

$$\mathcal{L} \sim 1.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Detectors: SiD, ILD



- **CEPC:** Circular Electron-Positron Collider (China)

$e^+e^-$  collider,  $\sqrt{s} \sim 240 - 250 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} \sim 1.8 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- **SPPC:** Super Proton-Proton Collider (China)

$pp$  collider,  $\sqrt{s} \sim 50 - 70 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} \sim 2.15 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

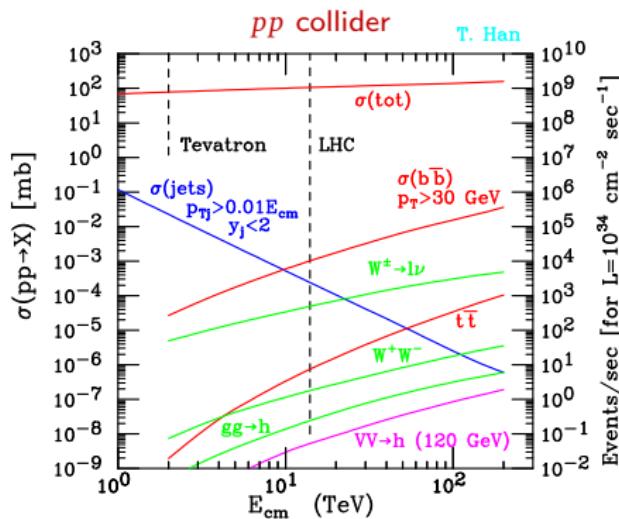
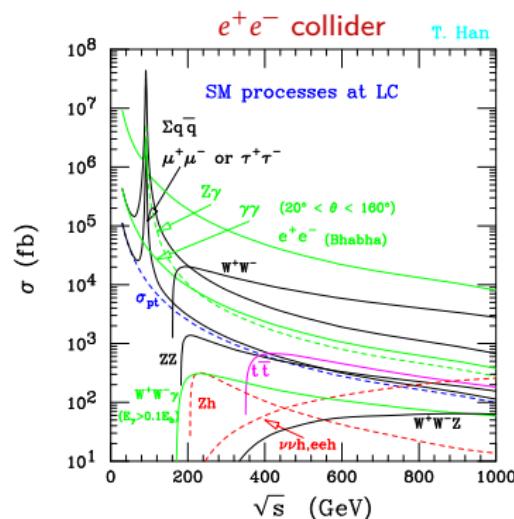
- **FCC:** Future Circular Collider (CERN)

- **FCC-ee:**  $e^+e^-$  collider,  $\sqrt{s} \sim 90 - 350 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} \sim 5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- **FCC-hh:**  $pp$  collider,  $\sqrt{s} \sim 100 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} \sim 5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- **CLIC:** Compact Linear Collider,  $\sqrt{s} \sim 1 - 3 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} \sim 6 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

# Particle Production



[Han, arXiv:hep-ph/0508097]

- Units for **cross section**  $\sigma$ :  $10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2 = 1 \text{ b} = 10^{12} \text{ pb} = 10^{15} \text{ fb} = 10^{18} \text{ ab}$
- Units for **instantaneous luminosity**  $\mathcal{L}$ :  $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \simeq 315 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ year}^{-1}$
- Integrated luminosity**  $\int \mathcal{L}(t) dt$  indicates the data amount
- For a process with a cross section  $\sigma$ , **event number**  $N = \sigma \int \mathcal{L}(t) dt$

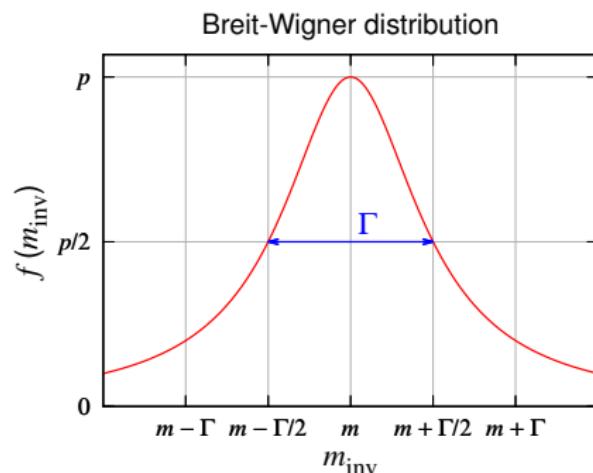
# Particle Decay

- Particle **decay** is a **Poisson process**
- In the rest frame, the probability that a particle survives for time  $t$  before decaying is given by an exponential distribution:

$$P(t) = e^{-t/\tau} = e^{-\Gamma t},$$

where  $\tau$  is the mean **lifetime**

- $\Gamma \equiv 1/\tau$  is called the **decay width**
- The mass of an unstable particle can be reconstructed by the total invariant mass of its products  $m_{\text{inv}}$ , which obeys a **Breit–Wigner distribution**



$$f(m_{\text{inv}}) = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(m_{\text{inv}} - m)^2 + \Gamma^2/4}$$

The central value  $m$  is conventionally called the **mass** of the parent particle

# Partial Decay Width and Scattering Cross Section

- The probability that a decay mode  $j$  happens in a decay event is called the **branching ratio**  $\text{BR}(j)$ , while  $\Gamma_j = \Gamma \cdot \text{BR}(j)$  is called the **partial width**

Normalization condition:  $\sum_j \text{BR}(j) = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \sum_j \Gamma_j = 1$ , i.e.,  $\Gamma = \sum_j \Gamma_j$

- The partial width for an  $n$ -body decay mode  $j$ :

$$\Gamma_j = \frac{1}{2m} \int \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i} (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p^\mu - \sum_i p_i^\mu) |\mathcal{M}_j|^2$$

- The cross section for a  $2 \rightarrow n$  scattering process with initial states  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$ :

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2E_{\mathcal{A}} 2E_{\mathcal{B}} |\mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{A}} - \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{B}}|} \int \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i} (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p_{\mathcal{A}}^\mu + p_{\mathcal{B}}^\mu - \sum_i p_i^\mu) |\mathcal{M}|^2$$

- The 4-dimensional **delta function** respects the 4-momentum conservation
- The **invariant amplitude**  $\mathcal{M}$  is determined by the underlying physics model

# Parton Distribution Functions

Cross section for a **hadron scattering** process  $h_1 h_2 \rightarrow X$ :

$$\sigma(h_1 h_2 \rightarrow X) = \sum_{ij} \int dx_1 dx_2 f_{i/h_1}(x_1, \mu_F^2) f_{j/h_2}(x_2, \mu_F^2) \hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow X}(x_1 x_2 s, \mu_F^2),$$

- $\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow X}$ : cross section for a parton scattering process  $ij \rightarrow X$
- $f_{i/h}(x, \mu_F^2)$ : **parton distribution function (PDF)** for a parton  $i$  emerging from a hadron  $h$  with  $x \equiv p_i^\mu / p_h^\mu$  at a factorization scale  $\mu_F$
- 4-momentum conservation:

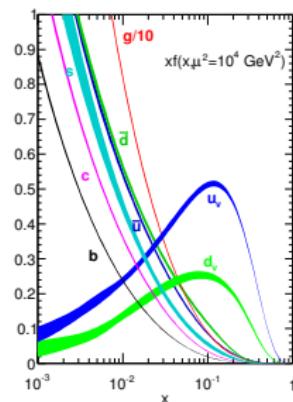
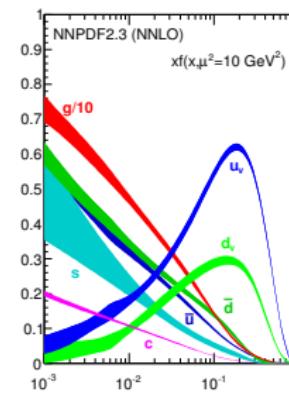
$$\int_0^1 dx \sum_i x f_{i/p}(x, \mu_F^2) = 1$$

$$i = g, d, u, s, c, b, \bar{d}, \bar{u}, \bar{s}, \bar{c}, \bar{b}$$

- Valence quarks in a proton are  $uud$ :

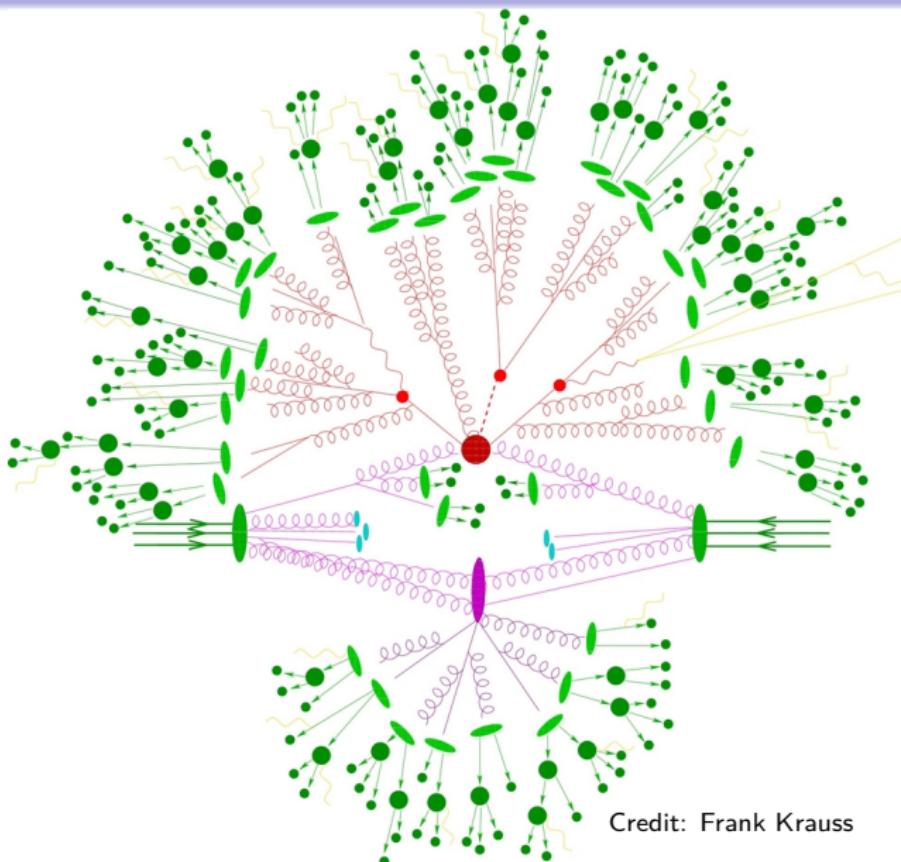
$$\int_0^1 dx [f_{u/p}(x, \mu_F^2) - f_{\bar{u}/p}(x, \mu_F^2)] = 2$$

$$\int_0^1 dx [f_{d/p}(x, \mu_F^2) - f_{\bar{d}/p}(x, \mu_F^2)] = 1$$



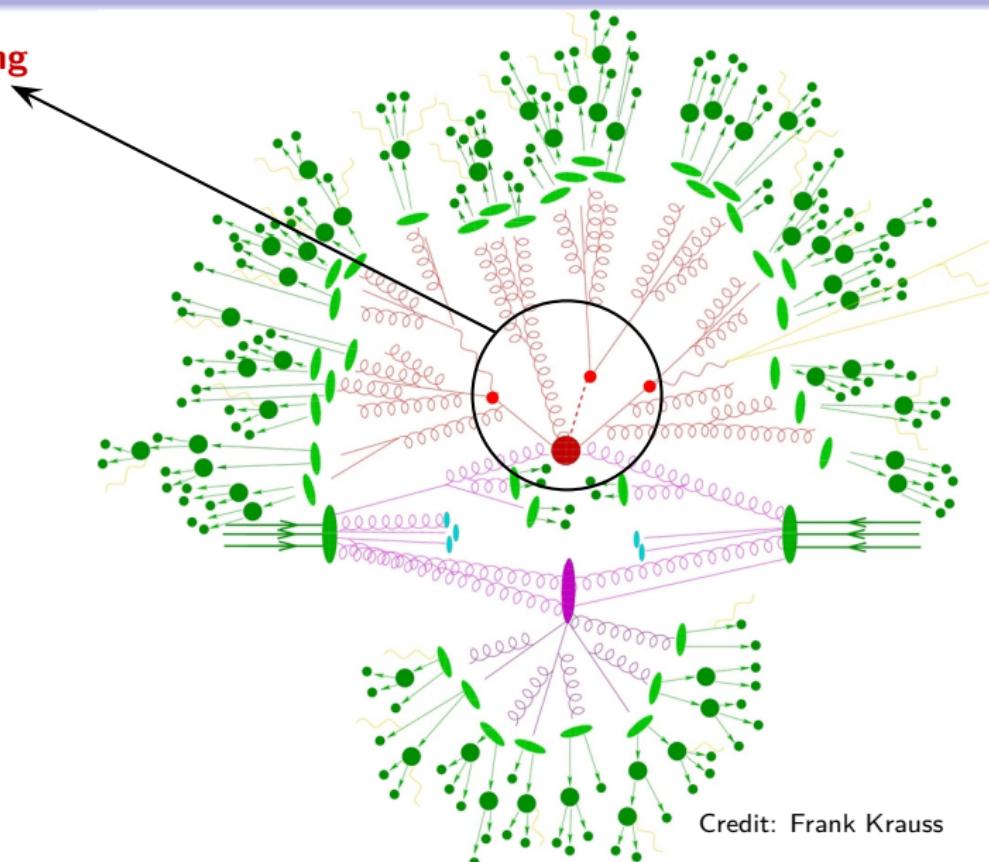
PDFs for proton [PDG 2014]

# Typical Event



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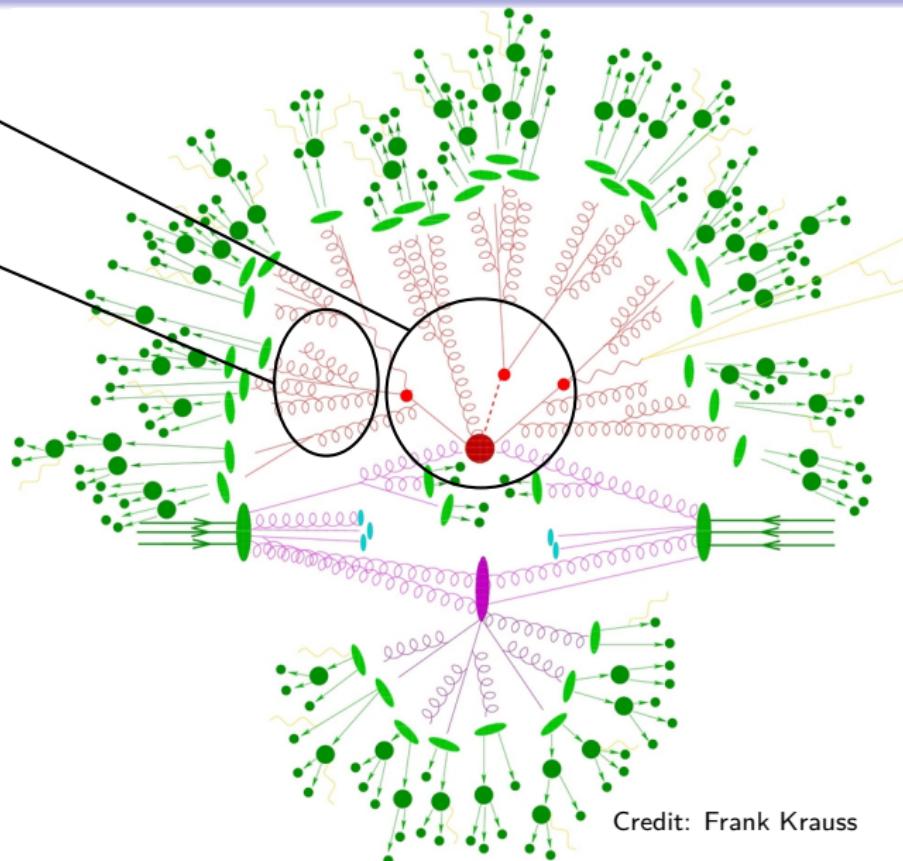
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# Typical Event

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Parton shower



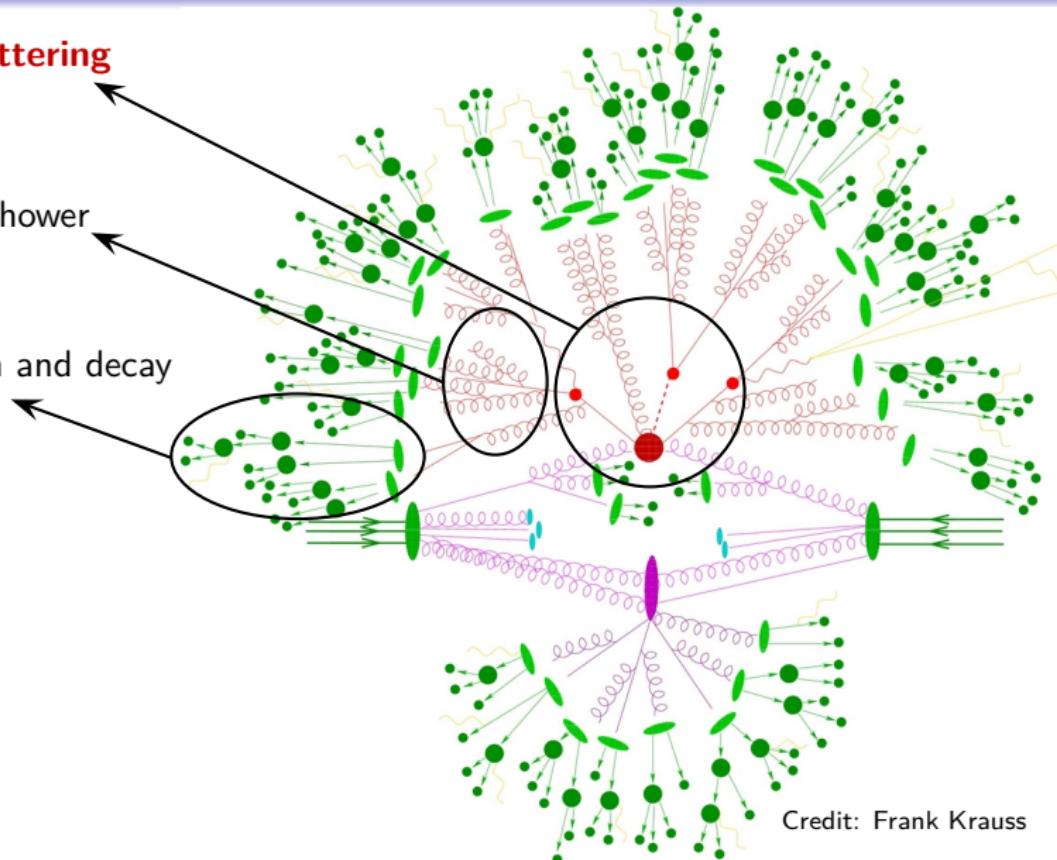
Credit: Frank Krauss

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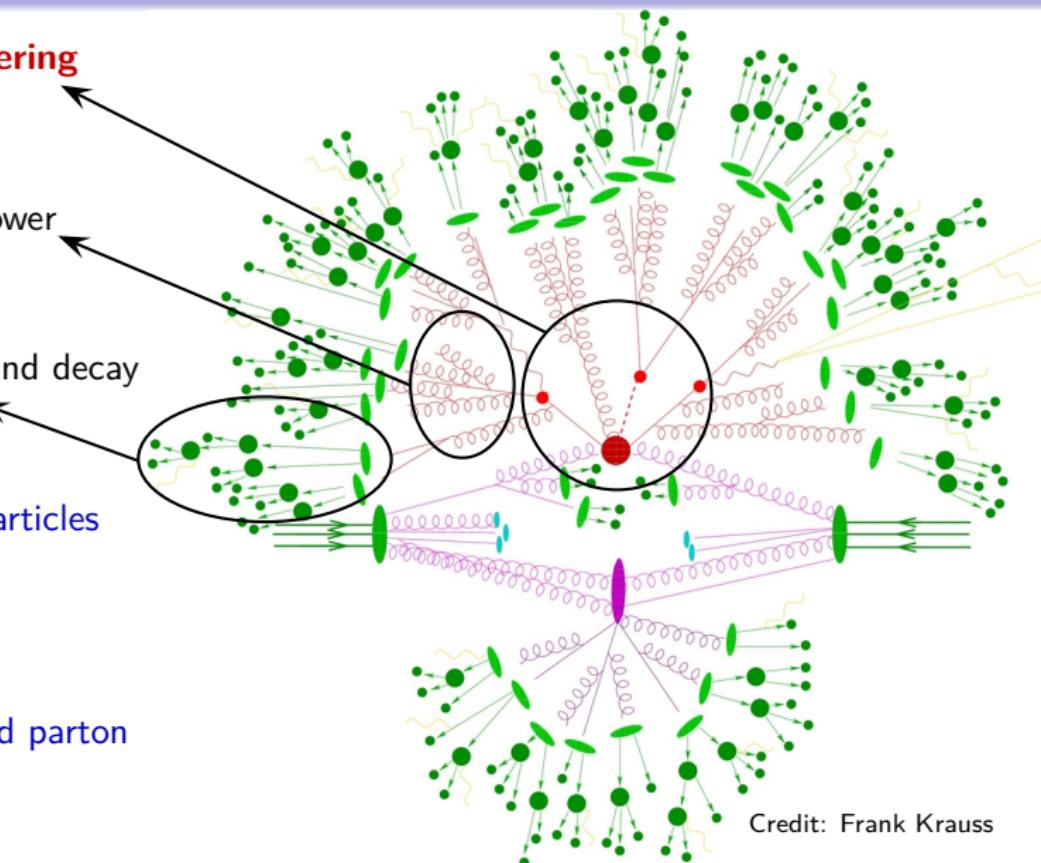
Parton shower

Hadronization and decay

Collimated particles

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Jet

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Mimic to a hard parton



Credit: Frank Krauss

# Typical Event

Hard scattering

Parton shower

Hadronization and decay

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Underlying event

Credit: Frank Krauss

# Elementary Particles

## Elementary Particles in the Standard Model (SM)

- Three families of fermions

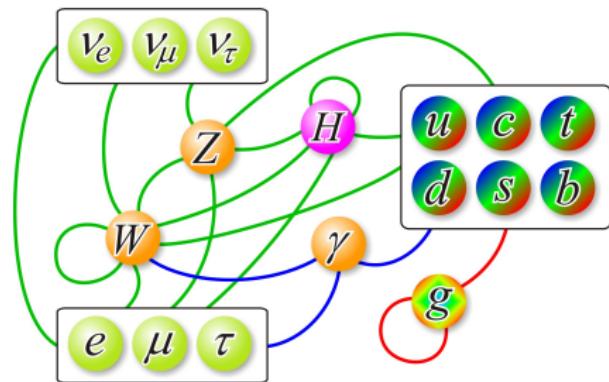
- Charged leptons: electron ( $e$ ), muon ( $\mu$ ), tau ( $\tau$ )
- Neutrinos: electron neutrino ( $\nu_e$ ), muon neutrino ( $\nu_\mu$ ), tau neutrino ( $\nu_\tau$ )
- Up-type quarks: up quark ( $u$ ), charm quark ( $c$ ), top quark ( $t$ )
- Down-type quarks: down quark ( $d$ ), strange quark ( $s$ ), bottom quark ( $b$ )

- Gauge bosons

- Electroweak: photon ( $\gamma$ ),  $W^\pm$ ,  $Z^0$
- Strong: gluons ( $g$ )

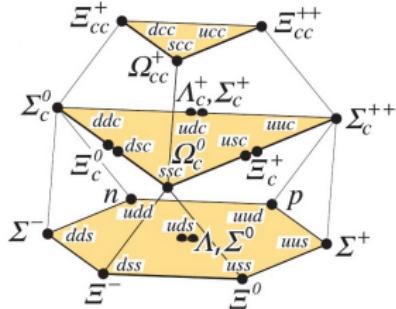
- Scalar boson: Higgs boson ( $H^0$ )

Interactions in the Standard Model:  
**strong interaction**  
**electromagnetic (EM) interaction**  
**weak interaction**

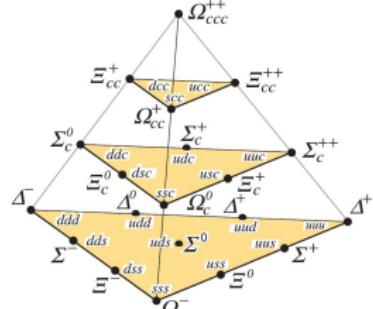


## Composite Particles

- **Nuclei:** composed of nucleons ( $p$  and  $n$ )  
E.g., nuclei of D, T,  ${}^3\text{He}$ , and  ${}^4\text{He}$
  - **Hadrons:** strongly interacting bound states composed of valence quarks
    - **Mesons:** composed of a quark and an antiquark  
E.g.,  $\pi^+(u\bar{d})$ ,  $\pi^-(d\bar{u})$ ,  $\pi^0[(u\bar{u} - d\bar{d})/\sqrt{2}]$
    - **Baryons:** composed of three quarks  
E.g., proton  $p(uud)$ , neutron  $n(udd)$ ,  $\Lambda^0(uds)$

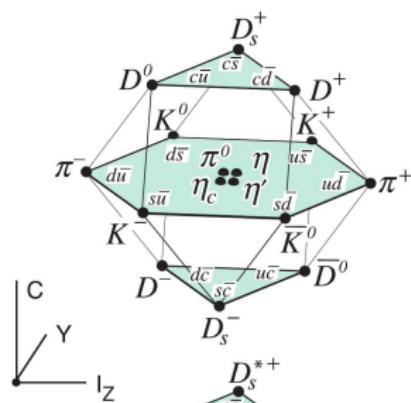


## Spin-1/2 baryon 20-plet



## Spin-3/2 baryon 20-plet

## Pseudoscalar meson 16-plet

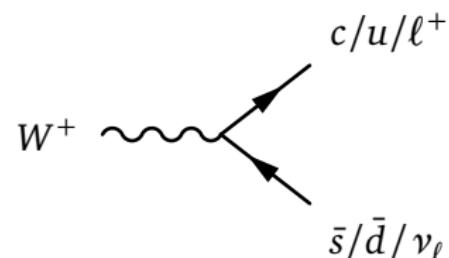


## Vector meson 16-plet

# Typical Decay Processes in the SM

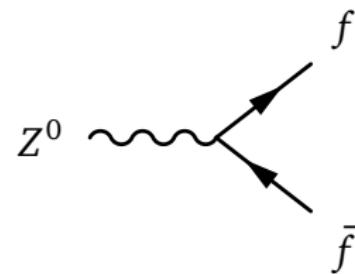
①  **$W^\pm$  gauge boson**,  $m = 80.4$  GeV,  $\Gamma = 2.1$  GeV

- **Weak decay**  $W^+ \rightarrow c\bar{s}/u\bar{d}$ , BR = 67.4%
- **Weak decay**  $W^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau$ , BR = 11.4%
- **Weak decay**  $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e$ , BR = 10.7%
- **Weak decay**  $W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$ , BR = 10.6%



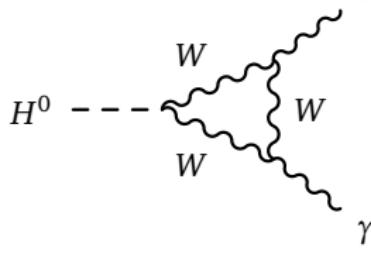
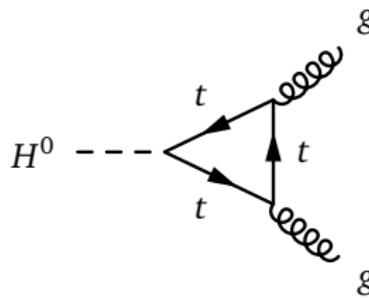
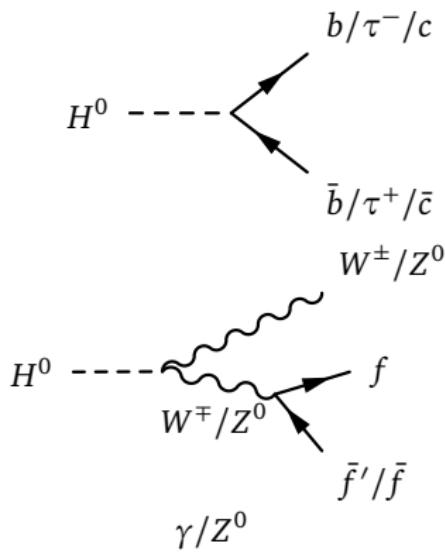
②  **$Z^0$  gauge boson**,  $m = 91.2$  GeV,  $\Gamma = 2.5$  GeV

- **Weak decay**  $Z^0 \rightarrow u\bar{u}/d\bar{d}/c\bar{c}/s\bar{s}/b\bar{b}$ , BR = 69.9%
- **Weak decay**  $Z^0 \rightarrow \nu_e \bar{\nu}_e / \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_\mu / \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\tau$ , BR = 20%
- **Weak decay**  $Z^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ , BR = 3.37%
- **Weak decay**  $Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ , BR = 3.37%
- **Weak decay**  $Z^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ , BR = 3.36%



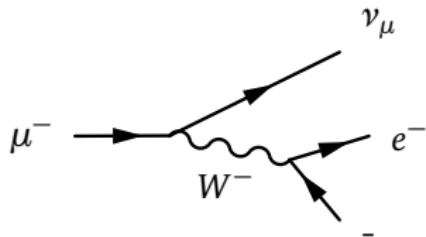
### ③ Higgs boson $H^0$ , $m = 125$ GeV, expected $\Gamma = 4$ MeV

- $H^0 \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ , expected BR = 58%
- $H^0 \rightarrow W^\pm W^{\mp*} (\rightarrow f\bar{f}')$ , expected BR = 21%
- $H^0 \rightarrow gg$ , expected BR = 8.2%
- $H^0 \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ , expected BR = 6.3%
- $H^0 \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ , expected BR = 2.9%
- $H^0 \rightarrow Z^0 Z^{0*} (\rightarrow f\bar{f})$ , expected BR = 2.6%
- $H^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ , expected BR = 0.23%
- $H^0 \rightarrow Z^0\gamma$ , expected BR = 0.15%



④ **Muon  $\mu^\pm$** ,  $m = 105.66 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $\tau = 2.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}$

- Weak decay  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu$ , BR  $\simeq 100\%$



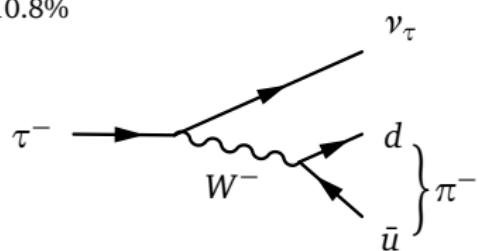
⑤ **Tau  $\tau^\pm$** ,  $m = 1.777 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\tau = 2.9 \times 10^{-13} \text{ s}$

- Weak decay  $\tau^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons} + \nu_\tau$ , BR = 64.8%

- $\text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^-\pi^0\nu_\tau) = 25.5\%$ ,  $\text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^-\nu_\tau) = 10.8\%$

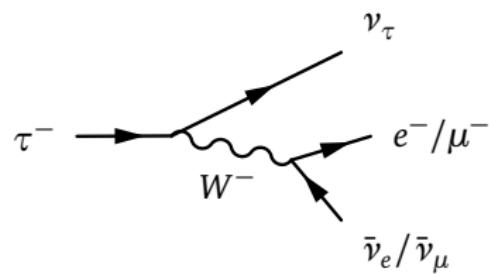
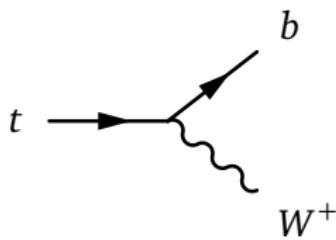
- Weak decay  $\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\tau$ , BR = 17.8%

- Weak decay  $\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu \nu_\tau$ , BR = 17.4%



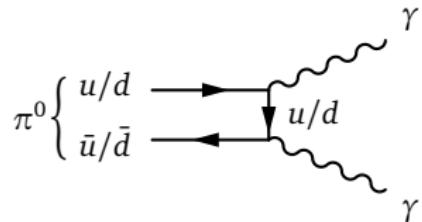
⑥ **Top quark  $t$** ,  $m = 173 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\Gamma = 1.4 \text{ GeV}$

- Weak decay  $t \rightarrow b W^+$ , BR  $\simeq 100\%$



- 7  **$\pi^0$  meson**  $[(u\bar{u} - d\bar{d})/\sqrt{2}]$ ,  
 $m = 135.0 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $\tau = 8.5 \times 10^{-17} \text{ s}$

- **EM decay**  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ , BR = 98.8%
- **EM decay**  $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$ , BR = 1.2%

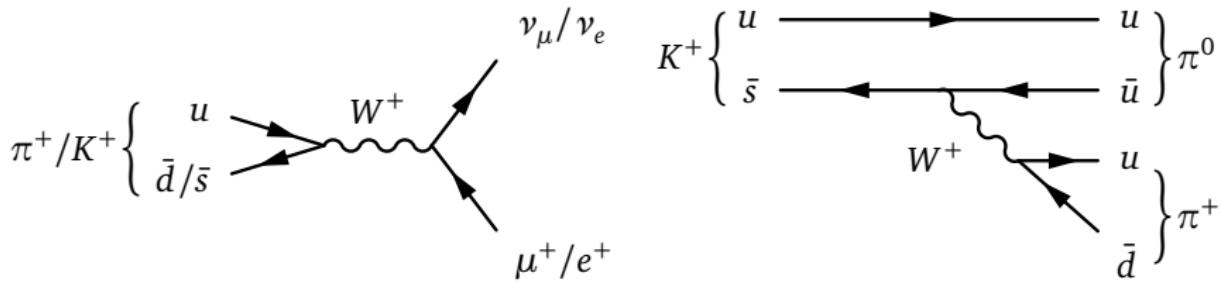


- 8  **$\pi^\pm$  meson**  $[\pi^+(u\bar{d}), \pi^-(d\bar{u})]$ ,  $m = 139.6 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $\tau = 2.6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ s}$

- **Weak decay**  $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$ , BR = 99.9877%
- **Weak decay**  $\pi^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e$ , BR = 0.0123%

- 9  **$K^\pm$  meson**  $[K^+(u\bar{s}), K^-(s\bar{u})]$ ,  $m = 493.7 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $\tau = 1.2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ s}$

- **Weak decay**  $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$ , BR = 63.6%
- **Weak decay**  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ , BR = 20.7%



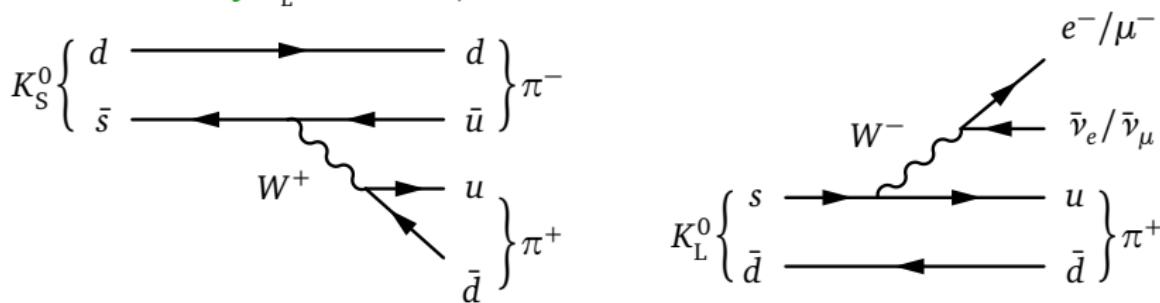
The  $\bar{K}^0(s\bar{d})$  meson is the antiparticle of  $K^0(d\bar{s})$ , with the same mass 497.6 MeV. Under the CP transformation,  $K^0 \leftrightarrow -\bar{K}^0$ , so they can be mixed into two CP eigenstates: **CP-even state**  $K_S^0 = (K^0 - \bar{K}^0)/\sqrt{2}$  and **CP-odd state**  $K_L^0 = (K^0 + \bar{K}^0)/\sqrt{2}$ . The CP conservation in weak interactions allows  $K_S^0$  decaying into  $\pi^+\pi^-$  and  $\pi^0\pi^0$ , but forbids  $K_L^0$  decaying into  $\pi^+\pi^-$  or  $\pi^0\pi^0$ , resulting in a short lifetime for  $K_S^0$  and a long lifetime for  $K_L^0$ .

⑩  $K_S^0$  meson,  $CP = +$ ,  $m = 497.6$  MeV,  $\tau = 9.0 \times 10^{-11}$  s

- Weak decay  $K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ , BR = 69.2%
- Weak decay  $K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$ , BR = 30.7%

⑪  $K_L^0$  meson,  $CP = -$ ,  $m = 497.6$  MeV,  $\tau = 5.1 \times 10^{-8}$  s

- Weak decay  $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu_e/\pi^\pm \mu^\mp \nu_\mu$ , BR = 67.6%
- Weak decay  $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0/\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ , BR = 32.1%

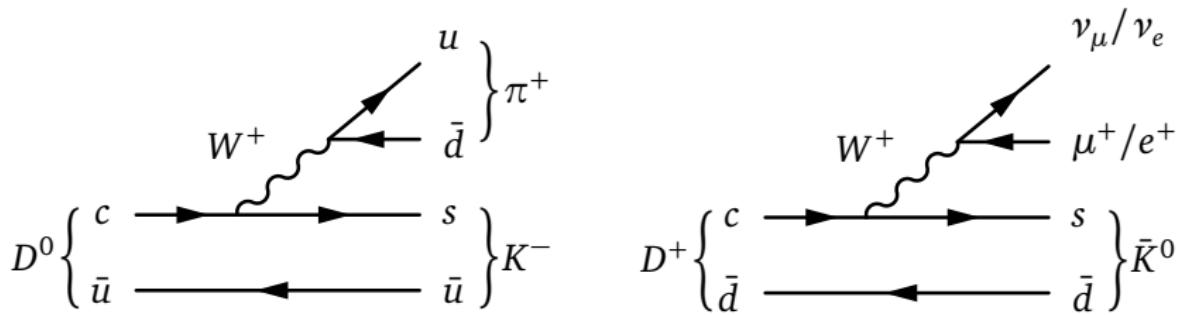


⑫  **$D^0$  meson** ( $c\bar{u}$ ),  $m = 1.865$  GeV,  $\tau = 4.1 \times 10^{-13}$  s

- **Weak decay**  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 54.7\%$
- **Weak decay**  $D^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0/K^0 + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 47\%$
- **Weak decay**  $D^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^*(892)^- + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 15\%$

⑬  **$D^\pm$  meson** [ $D^+(c\bar{d})$ ,  $D^-(d\bar{c})$ ],  $m = 1.870$  GeV,  $\tau = 1.0 \times 10^{-12}$  s

- **Weak decay**  $D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0/K^0 + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 61\%$
- **Weak decay**  $D^+ \rightarrow K^- + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 25.7\%$
- **Weak decay**  $D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^*(892)^0 + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 23\%$
- **Weak decay**  $D^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 17.6\%$

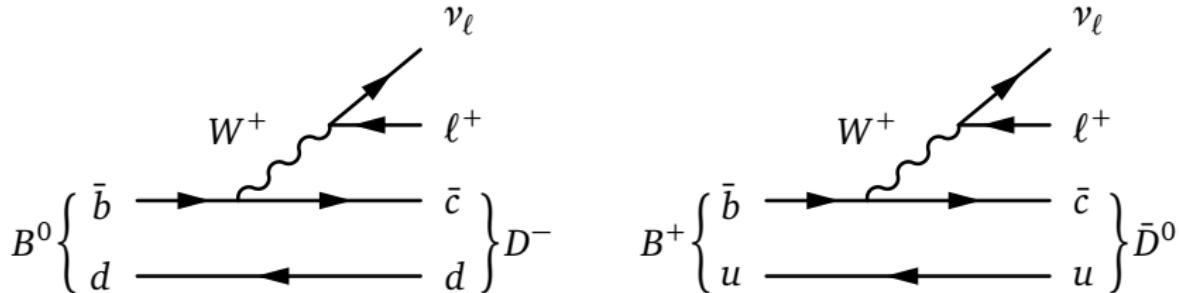


⑭  **$B^0$  meson** ( $d\bar{b}$ ),  $m = 5.280$  GeV,  $\tau = 1.5 \times 10^{-12}$  s

- **Weak decay**  $B^0 \rightarrow K^\pm + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 78\%$
- **Weak decay**  $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 X$ , BR  $\simeq 47.4\%$
- **Weak decay**  $B^0 \rightarrow D^- X$ , BR  $\simeq 36.9\%$
- **Weak decay**  $B^0 \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 10.33\%$

⑮  **$B^\pm$  meson** [ $B^+(u\bar{b})$ ,  $B^-(b\bar{u})$ ],  $m = 5.279$  GeV,  $\tau = 1.6 \times 10^{-12}$  s

- **Weak decay**  $B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 X$ , BR  $\simeq 79\%$
- **Weak decay**  $B^0 \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell + \text{anything}$ , BR  $\simeq 10.99\%$
- **Weak decay**  $B^+ \rightarrow D^- X$ , BR  $\simeq 9.9\%$
- **Weak decay**  $B^+ \rightarrow D^0 X$ , BR  $\simeq 8.6\%$



⑯  **$\rho(770)$  meson**  $[(u\bar{u} - d\bar{d})/\sqrt{2}]$ ,  $m = 775$  MeV,  $\Gamma = 149$  MeV

- **Strong decay**  $\rho \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- / \pi^0 \pi^0$ , BR  $\simeq 100\%$

⑰  **$J/\psi(1S)$  meson** ( $c\bar{c}$ ),  $m = 3.097$  GeV,  $\Gamma = 92.9$  keV

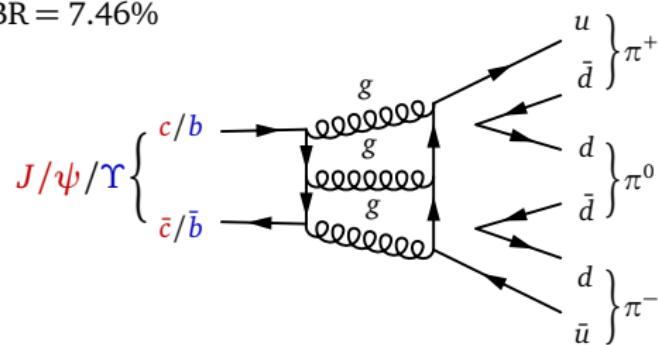
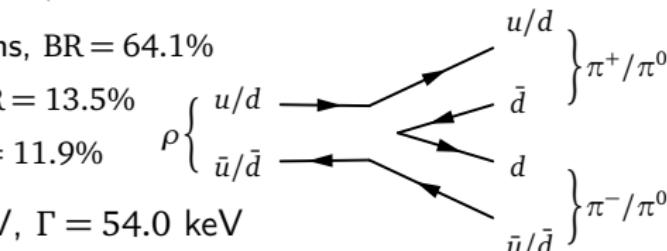
- **Strong decay**  $J/\psi \rightarrow ggg \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ , BR = 64.1%
- **EM decay**  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ , BR = 13.5%
- **EM decay**  $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+ e^- / \mu^+ \mu^-$ , BR = 11.9%

⑱  **$\Upsilon(1S)$  meson** ( $b\bar{b}$ ),  $m = 9.460$  GeV,  $\Gamma = 54.0$  keV

- **Strong decay**  $\Upsilon \rightarrow ggg \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ , BR = 81.7%
- **EM decay**  $\Upsilon \rightarrow e^+ e^- / \mu^+ \mu^- / \tau^+ \tau^-$ , BR = 7.46%

The **Okubo-Zweig-Iizuka (OZI) rule**:

any strong decay will be suppressed if, through only the removal of internal gluon lines, its diagram can be separated into two disconnected parts: one containing all initial state particles and one containing all final state particles.



⑯ **Neutron  $n$**  ( $udd$ ),  $m = 939.6$  MeV,  $\tau = 880$  s

- Weak decay  $n \rightarrow pe^-\bar{\nu}_e$ , BR  $\simeq 100\%$

㉐  **$\Lambda^0$  baryon** ( $uds$ ),  $m = 1.116$  GeV,  $\tau = 2.6 \times 10^{-10}$  s

- Weak decay  $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow p\pi^-$ , BR = 63.9%
- Weak decay  $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow n\pi^0$ , BR = 35.8%

㉑  **$\Sigma^+$  baryon** ( $uus$ ),  $m = 1.189$  GeV,  $\tau = 8.0 \times 10^{-11}$  s

- Weak decay  $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0$ , BR = 51.6%
- Weak decay  $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+$ , BR = 48.3%

㉒  **$\Sigma^-$  baryon** ( $dds$ ),  $m = 1.197$  GeV,  $\tau = 1.5 \times 10^{-10}$  s

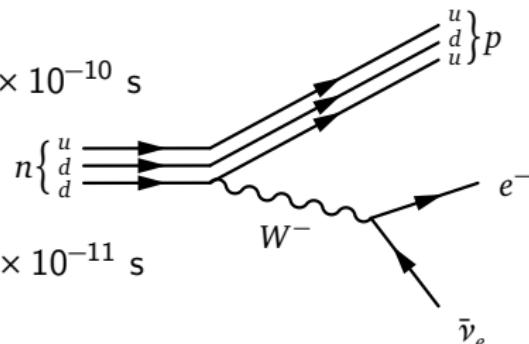
- Weak decay  $\Sigma^- \rightarrow n\pi^-$ , BR = 99.85%

㉓  **$\Sigma^0$  baryon** ( $uds$ ),  $m = 1.193$  GeV,  $\tau = 7.4 \times 10^{-20}$  s

- EM decay  $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda^0\gamma$ , BR  $\simeq 100\%$

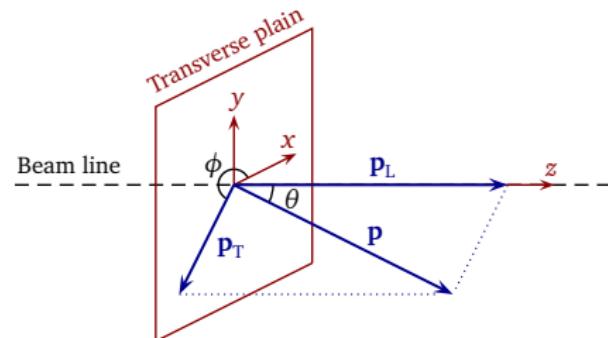
㉔  **$\Delta^0(1232)$  baryon** ( $udd$ ),  $m = 1.232$  GeV,  $\Gamma = 117$  MeV

- Strong decay  $\Delta^0 \rightarrow n\pi^0/p\pi^-$ , BR = 99.4%



# Coordinate System in the Laboratory Frame

- The 3-momentum of a particle,  $\mathbf{p}$ , can be decomposed into a component  $p_L$ , which is parallel to the beam line and a transverse component  $\mathbf{p}_T$
- The  $\mathbf{p}$  direction can be described by a polar angle  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  and an azimuth angle  $\phi \in [0, 2\pi)$
- The pseudorapidity  $\eta \in (-\infty, \infty)$  is commonly used instead of  $\theta$



$$\eta \equiv -\ln\left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2}\right), \quad \theta = 2 \tan^{-1} e^{-\eta}, \quad -\eta = -\ln\left(\tan \frac{\pi - \theta}{2}\right)$$

$\eta$	0	0.5	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	4	5	10
$\theta$	90°	62.5°	40.4°	25.2°	15.4°	9.4°	5.7°	2.1°	0.77°	0.005°

- The 4-momentum of an on-shell particle can be described by  $\{m, p_T, \eta, \phi\}$
- Particles with higher  $p_T$  are more likely related to hard scattering, so  $p_T$ , rather than the energy  $E$ , is generally used for **sorting** particles or jets

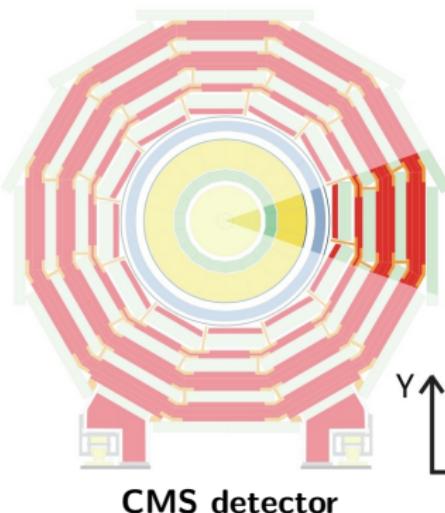
# Particle Stability

Mean **decay length** of a relativistic unstable particle:

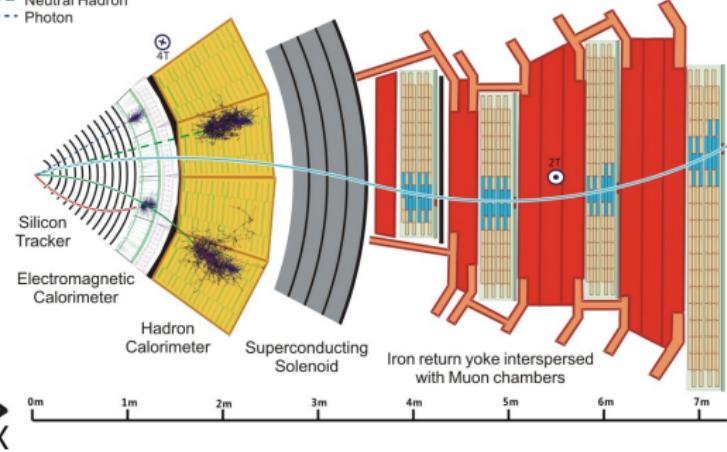
$$d = \beta\gamma\tau \simeq \gamma \left( \frac{\tau}{10^{-12} \text{ s}} \right) 300 \text{ } \mu\text{m}, \quad \gamma = \frac{E}{m} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}$$

- **Stable particles:**  $p$ ,  $e^\pm$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\nu_e$ ,  $\nu_\mu$ ,  $\nu_\tau$ , dark matter particle
- **Quasi-stable particles** ( $\tau \gtrsim 10^{-10}$  s):  $\mu^\pm$ ,  $\pi^\pm$ ,  $K^\pm$ ,  $n$ ,  $\Lambda^0$ ,  $K_L^0$ , etc.  
These particles may travel into outer layer detectors
- **Particles with**  $\tau \simeq 10^{-13} - 10^{-10}$  s:  $\tau^\pm$ ,  $K_S^0$ ,  $D^0$ ,  $D^\pm$ ,  $B^0$ ,  $B^\pm$ , etc.  
These particles may travel a distinguishable distance ( $\gtrsim 100 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$ ) before decaying, resulting in a displaced secondary vertex
- **Short-lived resonances** ( $\tau \lesssim 10^{-13}$  s):  $W^\pm$ ,  $Z^0$ ,  $t$ ,  $H^0$ ,  $\pi^0$ ,  $\rho^0$ ,  $\rho^\pm$ , etc.  
These particles will decay instantaneously and can only be reconstructed from their decay products

# Particle Detectors at Colliders

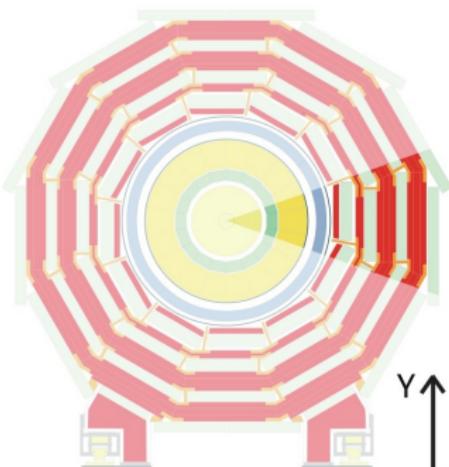


- Muon
- Electron
- Charged Hadron
- Neutral Hadron
- Photon



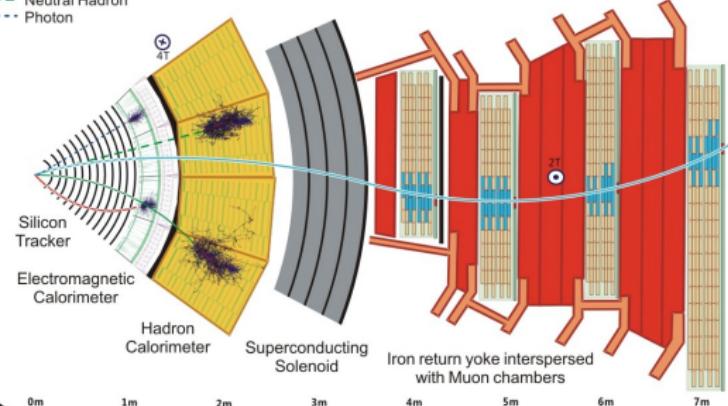
	$\gamma$	$e^\pm$	$\mu^\pm$	Charged hadrons	Neutral hadrons	$\nu$ , DM
Tracker, $ \eta  \lesssim 2.5$	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
ECAL, $ \eta  \lesssim 3$	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗
HCAL, $ \eta  \lesssim 5$	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Muon detectors, $ \eta  \lesssim 2.4$	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗

# Particle Detectors at Colliders



CMS detector

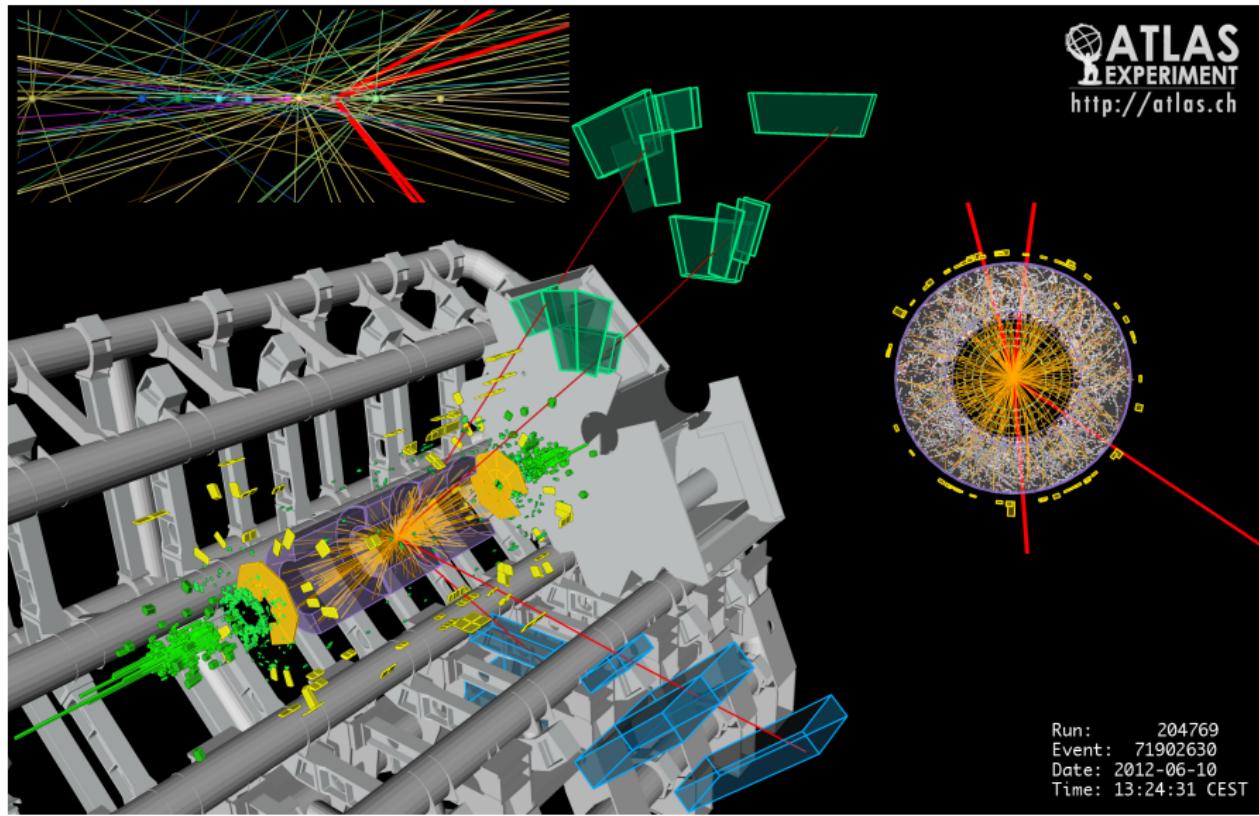
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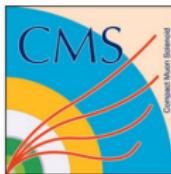
	$\gamma$	$e^\pm$	$\mu^\pm$	Charged hadrons	Neutral hadrons	$\nu$ , DM
Tracker, $ \eta  \lesssim 2.5$	✗	✓	✓	✓		✗
ECAL, $ \eta  \lesssim 3$	✗	✗	✓	✓		✗
HCAL, $ \eta  \lesssim 5$	✗	✗	✗	✗		✗
Muon detectors, $ \eta  \lesssim 2.4$	✗	✗	✓	✗		✗

Missing  
energy  
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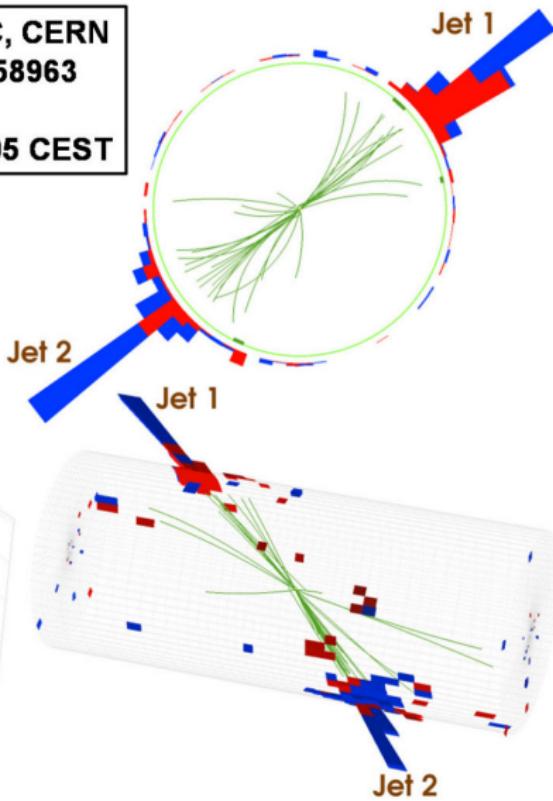
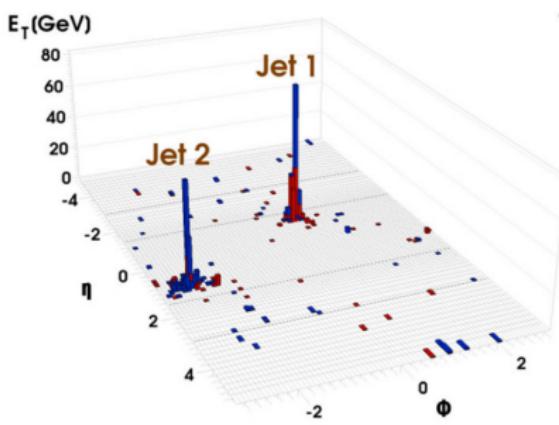
# A Candidate Event for $H^0 \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\mu^+\mu^-$



# A Dijet Event

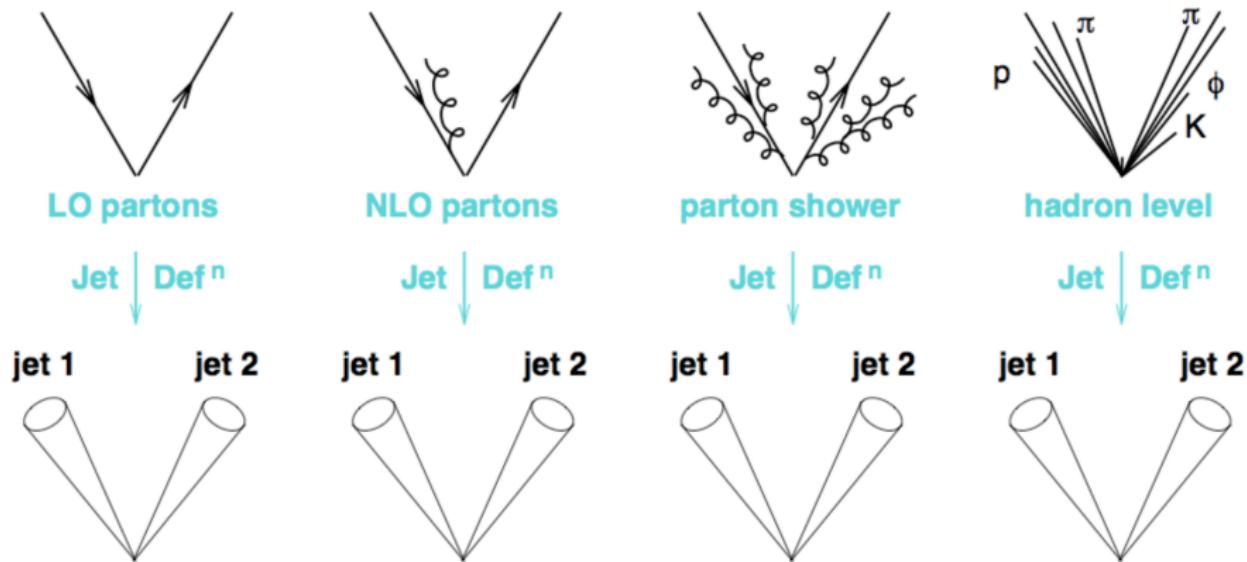


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**Sat Apr 17 2010, 12:25:05 CEST**



# Partons and Jets

A **jet** is a collimated bunch of particles (mainly hadrons) flying roughly in the same direction, probably originated from a **parton** produced in hard scattering



[From M. Cacciari's talk (2013)]

# Jet Clustering Algorithms

An observable is **infrared and collinear (IRC) safe** if it remains **unchanged** in the limit of a **collinear splitting** or an **infinitely soft** emission

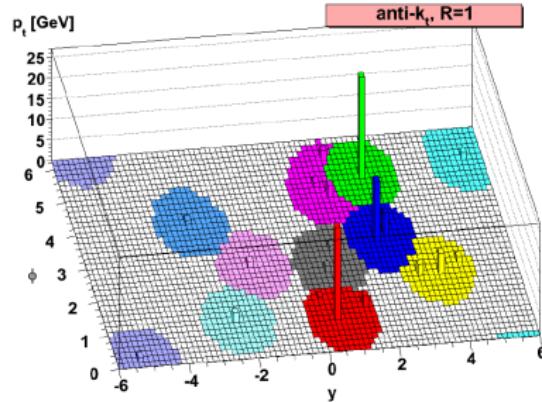
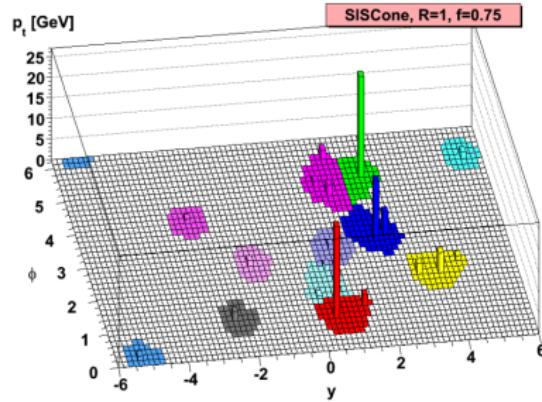
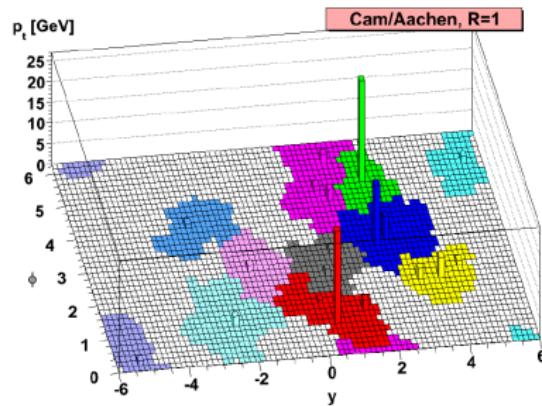
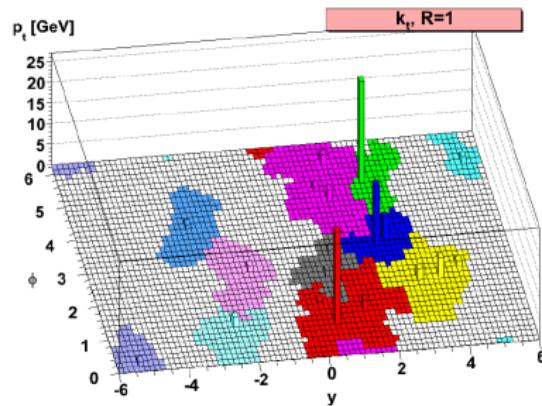
- **Cone algorithms:** find coarse regions of energy flow

Combine particles  $i$  and  $j$  when  $\Delta R_{ij} = \sqrt{(\eta_i - \eta_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2} < R$ , and find stable cones with a radius  $R$

- **Cone algorithms with seeds:** find only some of the stable cones; **IRC unsafe**
- **SISCone algorithm:** seedless; find all stable cones; **IRC safe**
- **Sequential recombination algorithms:** starting from closest particles

Distance  $d_{ij} = \min(k_{T,i}^{2p}, k_{T,j}^{2p}) \left( \frac{\Delta R_{ij}}{R} \right)^2$  for transverse momenta  $k_{T,i}$  and  $k_{T,j}$

- **$k_T$  algorithm:**  $p = 1$ ; starting from soft particles; **IRC safe**
- **Cambridge-Aachen algorithm:**  $p = 0$ ; starting from close directions; **IRC safe**
- **Anti- $k_T$  algorithm:**  $p = -1$ ; starting from hard particles; **IRC safe**

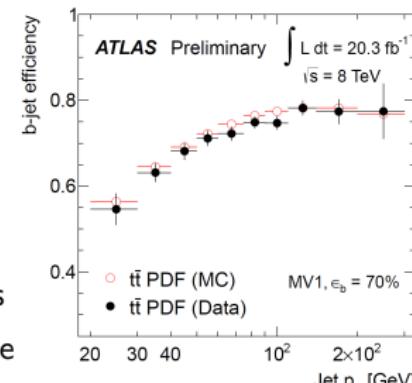


[Cacciari, Salam, Soyez, arXiv:0802.1189, JHEP]

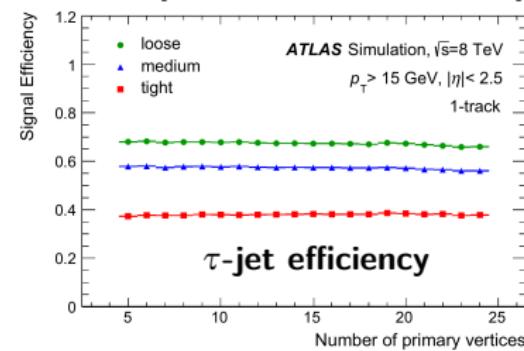
# b-jets and $\tau$ -jets

Jets originated from ***b* quarks** and **tau leptons** can be distinguished from jets originated from **light quarks and gluons** via tagging techniques using various discriminating variables

- ***b*-jets**: tagging efficiency  $\sim 70\%$ 
  - $B$  mesons (e.g.,  $B^0$ ,  $B^\pm$ ) result in displaced vertices
  - Numbers of soft electrons and soft muons are more than other jets
- **$\tau$ -jets** from hadronically decaying taus
  - 1-prong modes (BR = 50%):
    - 1 charged meson in the decay products, medium tagging efficiency  $\sim 60\%$
  - 3-prong modes (BR = 15%):
    - 3 charged mesons in the decay products, medium tagging efficiency  $\sim 40\%$

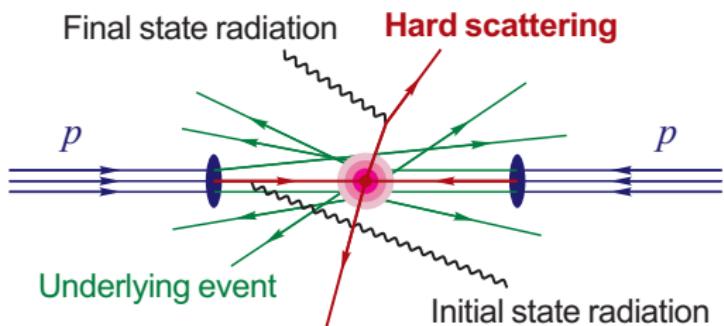


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# Monte Carlo Simulation



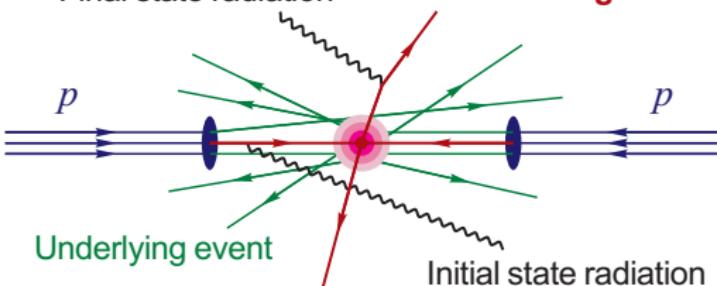
# Monte Carlo Simulation

Partical physics model

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Final state radiation

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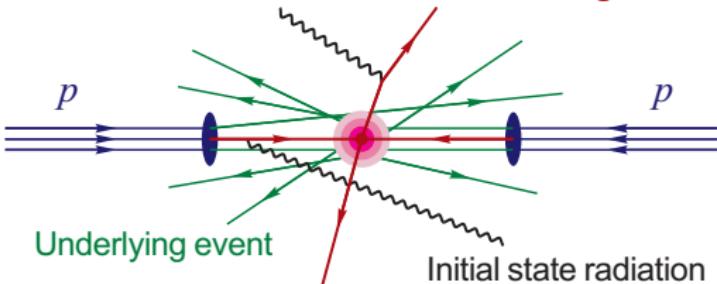
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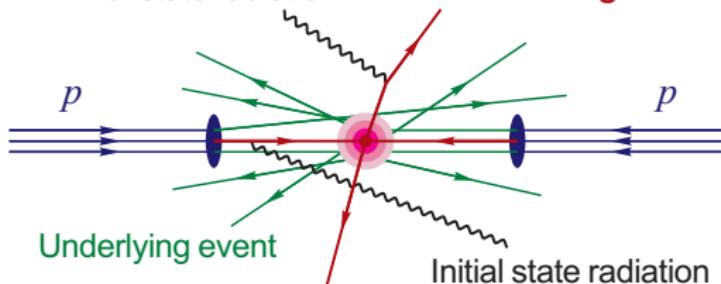
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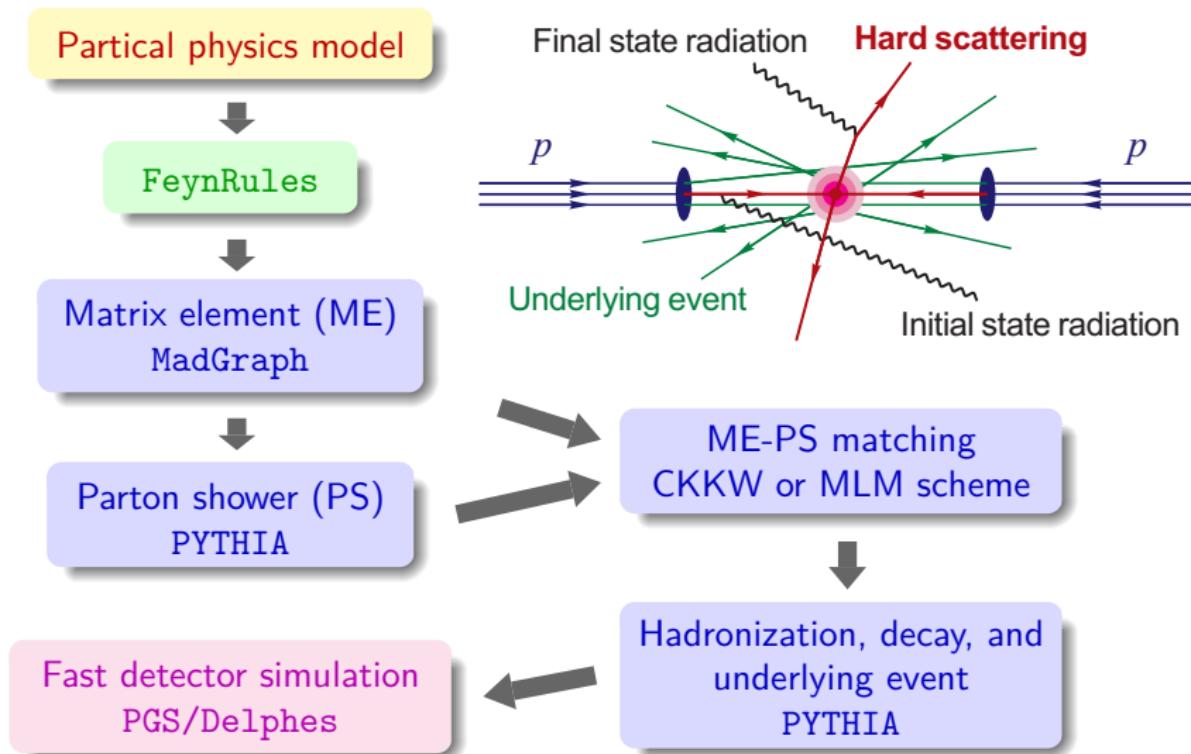
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ME-PS matching  
CKKW or MLM scheme

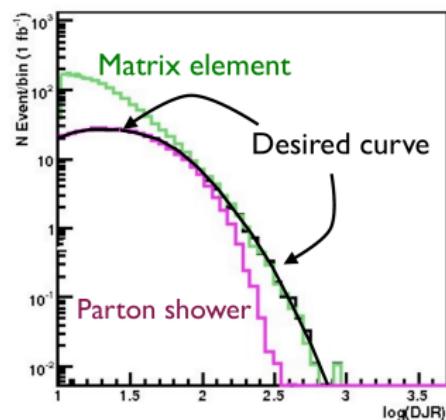
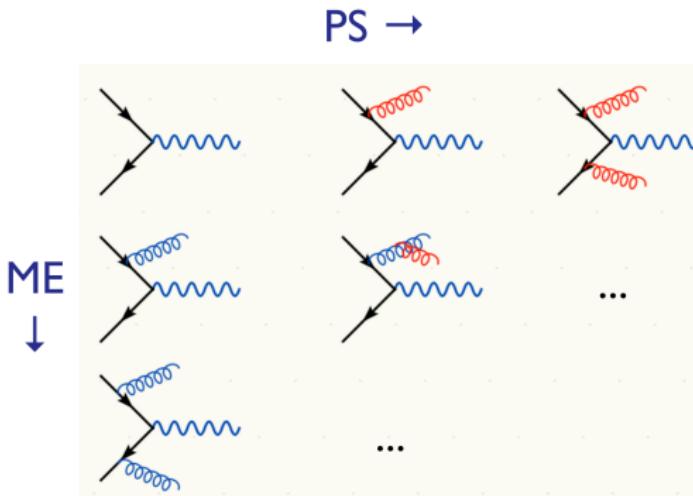
Hadronization, decay, and  
underlying event  
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# Monte Carlo Simulation



# ME-PS Matching

- **Matrix element:** fixed order calculation for hard scattering diagrams  
Valid when partons are **hard and well separated**
- **Parton shower:** process-independent calculation based on QCD  
Valid when partons are **soft and/or collinear**
- **ME-PS Matching:** avoids double counting to yield correct distributions



[From J. Alwall's talk]

# Kinematic Variables

Although the same final states may come from various processes, we can use many **kinematic variables**, each of which catches a particular feature, to discriminate among different processes in data analyses

**① Invariant mass**  $m_{\text{inv}} \equiv \sqrt{(p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_i)^2}$

$m_{\text{inv}}$  is commonly used to reconstruct the mass of an unstable particle from its decay products

**② Recoil mass**  $m_{\text{rec}}$  at  $e^+e^-$  colliders

- For a process  $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow 1 + 2 + \dots + n$ , the recoil mass of Particle 1 is constructed by  $m_{1,\text{rec}} \equiv \sqrt{[p_{e^+} + p_{e^-} - (p_2 + \dots + p_n)]^2}$

- For mass measurement of a particle at  $e^+e^-$  colliders, we can utilize not only its decay products, but also the associated produced particles

**③ Missing transverse energy**  $\cancel{E}_T \equiv |\cancel{p}_T|$ ,  $\cancel{p}_T \equiv -\sum_i \cancel{p}_T^i$

$\cancel{E}_T$  is genuinely induced by **neutrinos** or **DM particles**, but may also be a result of imperfect detection of visible particles

④ **Scalar sum of  $p_T$  of all jets**  $H_T \equiv \sum_i p_T^{j_i}$

$H_T$  characterizes the energy scale of jets from hard scattering

⑤ **Effective mass**  $m_{\text{eff}} \equiv \cancel{E}_T + H_T$

$m_{\text{eff}}$  characterizes the energy scale of hard scattering processes that involve both jets and genuine  $\cancel{E}_T$  sources, e.g., supersymmetric particle production

⑥ **Transverse mass**  $m_T$  for **semi-invisible decays**

🌳 For a 2-body decay process  $P \rightarrow v + i$  with a visible product  $v$  and an invisible product  $i$  (e.g.,  $W \rightarrow \ell \nu_\ell$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ ), define

$$m_T \equiv \sqrt{m_v^2 + m_i^2 + 2(E_T^v E_T^i - \mathbf{p}_T^v \cdot \mathbf{p}_T^i)} \quad \text{with} \quad E_T^{v,i} \equiv \sqrt{m_{v,i}^2 + |\mathbf{p}_T^{v,i}|^2}$$

and  $\mathbf{p}_T^i = \mathbf{p}_T$ , and thus  $m_T$  will be bounded by  $m_p$ :  $m_T \leq m_p$

🌳 In practice,  $m_v$  is often small, while  $m_i$  is usually either zero or unknown; thus a commonly used  $m_T$  definition is  $m_T = \sqrt{2(p_T^v \cancel{E}_T - \mathbf{p}_T^v \cdot \cancel{\mathbf{p}}_T)}$

🌳 For a 3-body decay process with only one invisible particle, the transverse momenta of the two visible particles should be firstly combined, and then  $m_T$  will be well-defined

## 7 “Transverse mass” $m_{T2}$ for double semi-invisible decays

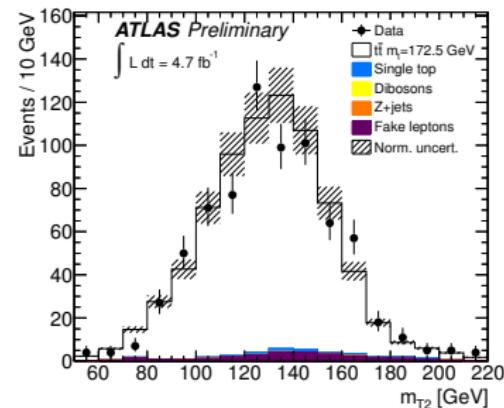
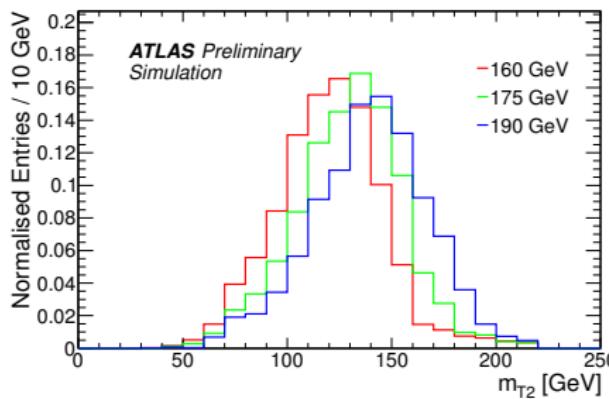
For decays of a particle-antiparticle pair  $P\bar{P} \rightarrow \nu_1\nu_2 i\bar{i}$  with two visible products  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  and two invisible products  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ , define

$$m_{T2}(\mu_i) = \min_{\mathbf{p}_T^1 + \mathbf{p}_T^2 = \mathbf{p}_T} \left\{ \max \left[ m_T(\mathbf{p}_T^{\nu_1}, \mathbf{p}_T^1; m_{\nu_1}, \mu_i), m_T(\mathbf{p}_T^{\nu_2}, \mathbf{p}_T^2; m_{\nu_2}, \mu_i) \right] \right\},$$

where  $\mu_i$  is a trial mass for  $i$  and can be set to 0 under some circumstances

$m_{T2}$  is the minimization of the larger  $m_T$  over all possible partitions

If  $\mu_i$  is equal to the true mass of  $i$ ,  $m_{T2}$  will be bounded by  $m_P$ :  $m_{T2} \leq m_P$



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# Homework

- ① Draw one or two more Feynman diagrams for decay modes of every hadron listed in Pages 15–19
- ② Show that the  $\pi^+\pi^-$  and  $\pi^0\pi^0$  systems have  $CP = +$ , and explain how the CP conservation affects the lifetimes of the  $K_S^0$  and  $K_L^0$  mesons, as mentioned in Page 15
- ③ Explain how the OZI rule significantly reduces the widths of the  $J/\Psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  mesons, whose decay modes listed in Page 18
- ④ Proof that the pseudorapidity  $\eta$  defined in Page 20 is the relativistic limit of the rapidity  $y \equiv \tanh^{-1}(p_L/E)$
- ⑤ Express every component of the 4-momentum of an on-shell particle,  $p^\mu = (p^0, p^1, p^2, p^3)$ , as a function of  $\{m, p_T, \eta, \phi\}$  defined in Page 20
- ⑥ Proof the statement  $m_T \leq m_P$  in Page 32