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Forward Physics Topics from RHIC to the LHC

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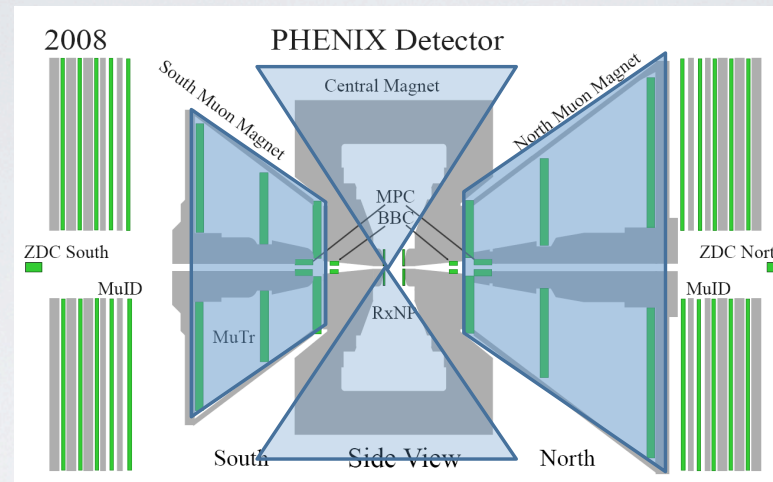
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TOPICS

- Forward Detectors
- Event Characterization
- Luminosity Determination
- Inclusive forward particle production
- Spin Dependent Asymmetries @ RHIC
- Coherence in EM processes
- Central Exclusive Production at the Higgs scale

PHENIX COVERAGE



forward:

BBC ($3.0 < |\eta| < 3.9$)

(charged)

MPC, ZDC

(calorimeters, neutral)

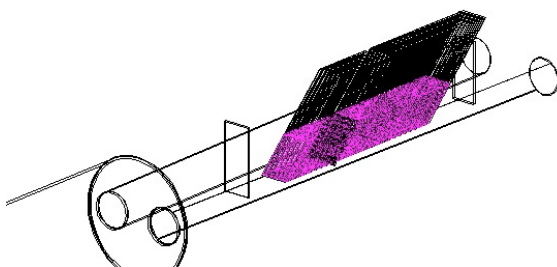
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Central arm : $0 < |\eta| < 0.35$ e-pair

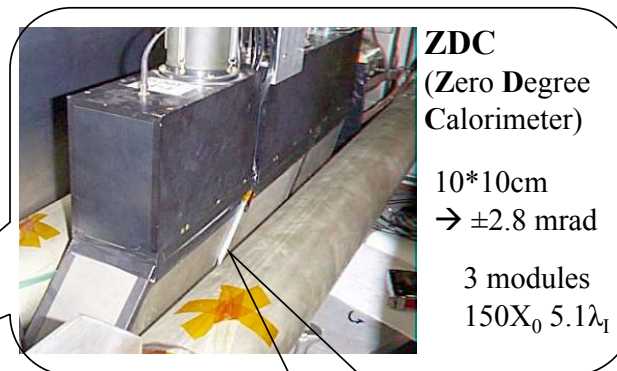
Muon arm : $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.4$ μ -pair

PHENIX Zero Degree Calorimeter

Measures large x_F neutrons
Large acceptance for “spectator neutrons”
in Heavy Ion collisions
Shower max. detector for asymmetries



- Scintillator strip layer (SMD) used to measure p_t of neutrons and azimuthal angle
- no coordinate readout for photons

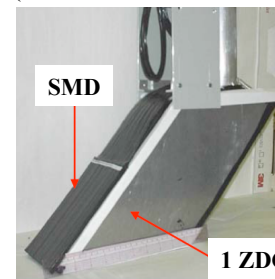


ZDC
(Zero Degree Calorimeter)

10*10cm
→ ± 2.8 mrad

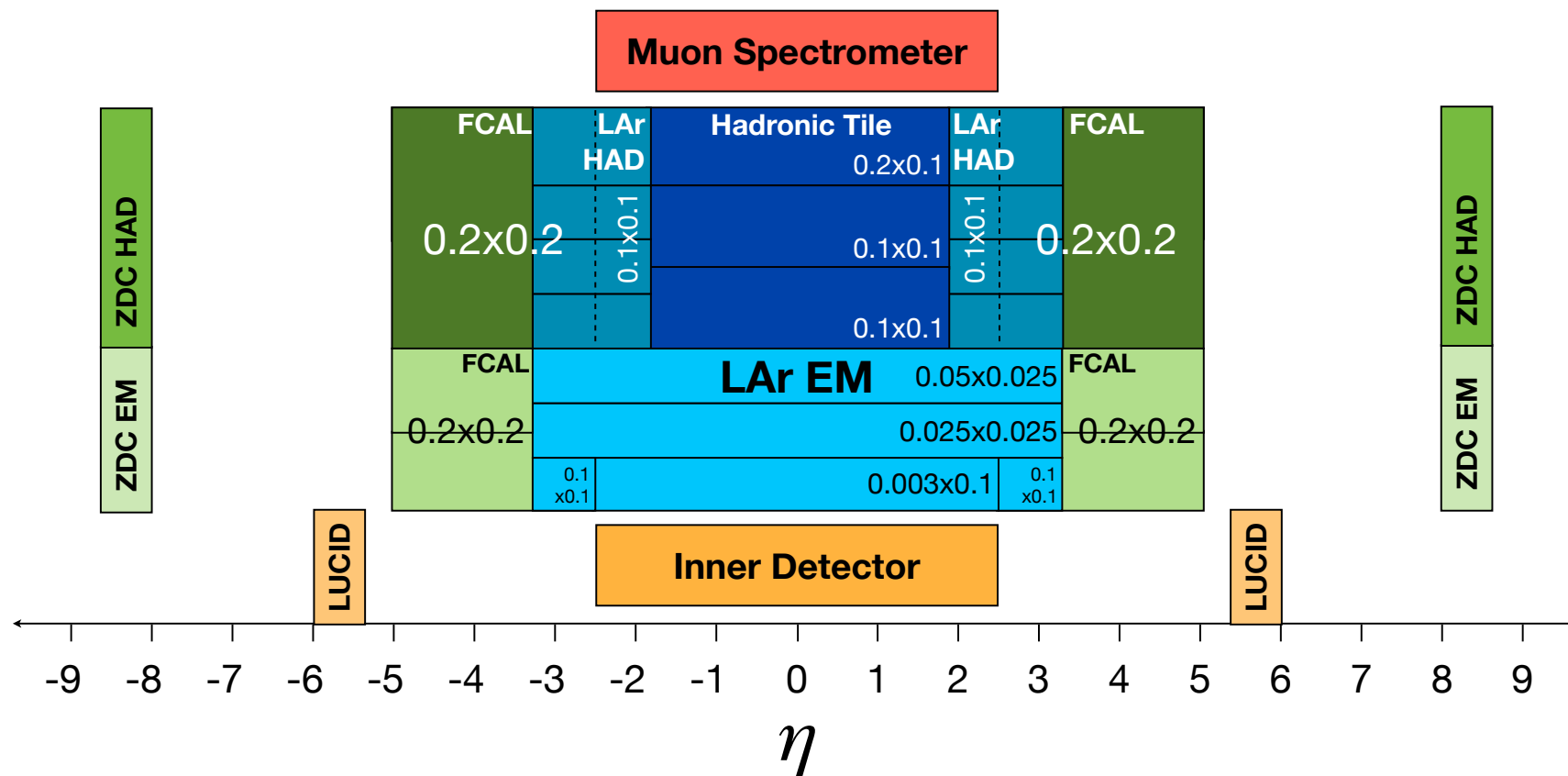
3 modules
 $150X_0$ $5.1\lambda_t$

SMD
(Shower Max Detector)



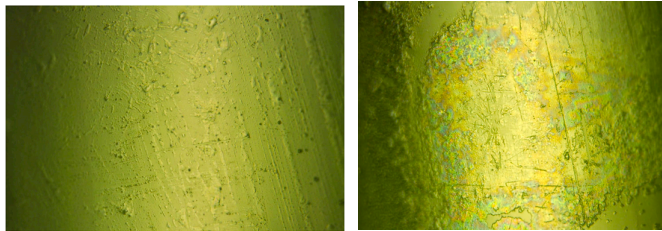
Neutron position can be determined by centroid method $\sigma = 1$ cm).

ATLAS coverage

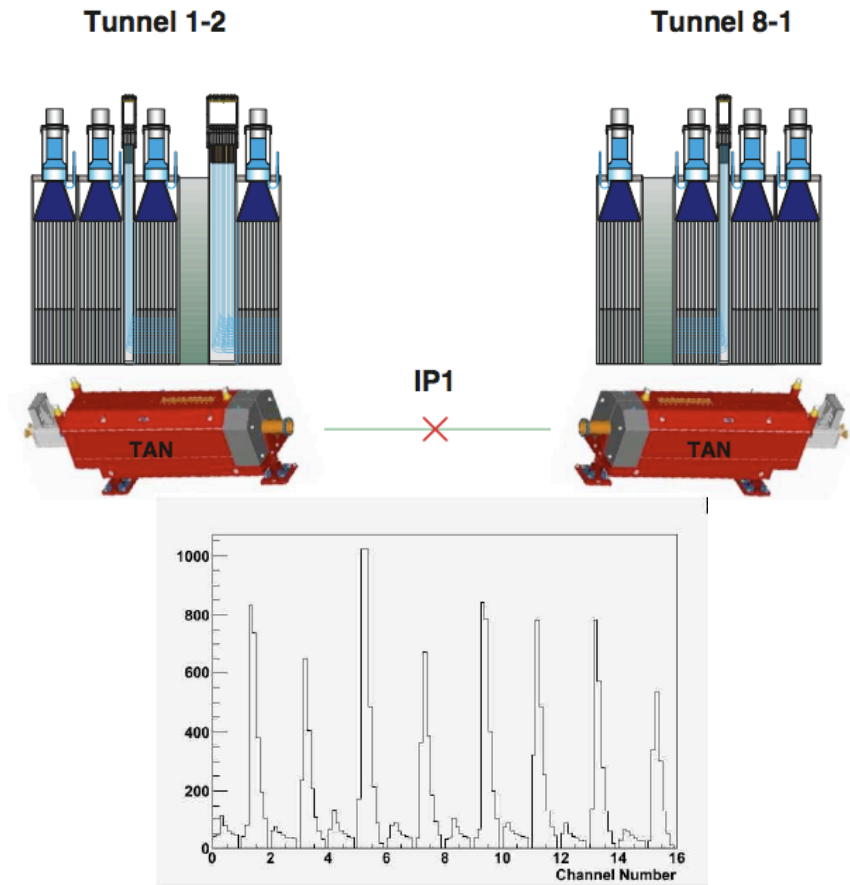


ATLAS ZDC fully integrated in TDAQ May '09

- measures high energy gamma and neutral hadrons
- hottest detector at the LHC
- unique in fine grained shower pos'n measurement \rightarrow direct photon, π^0

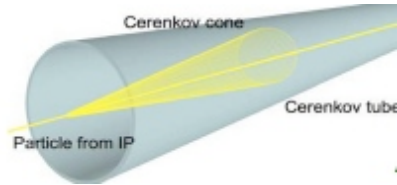


pre- and post-irradiated fibers to
28 Gigrad



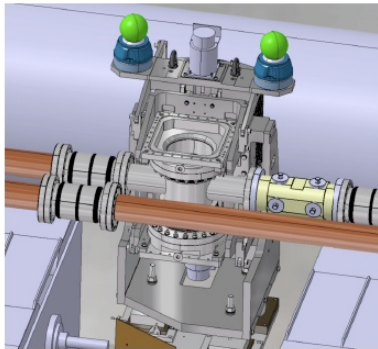
8 PMT * 7 time slices in ATLAS L1calo

ATLAS Forward Detector Suite



**LUCID : ATLAS Luminosity using
Čerenkov Integrating Detector**

$5.5 < |\eta| < 6.0$



ALFA: tracker to measure absolute Luminosity for pp by elastic scattering in CNI region to ~3%.

+ Minimum Bias Trigger scintillators (MBTS)

+ Beam Conditions Monitor (BCM)

All used in conjunction with ZDC to measure and monitor Luminosity

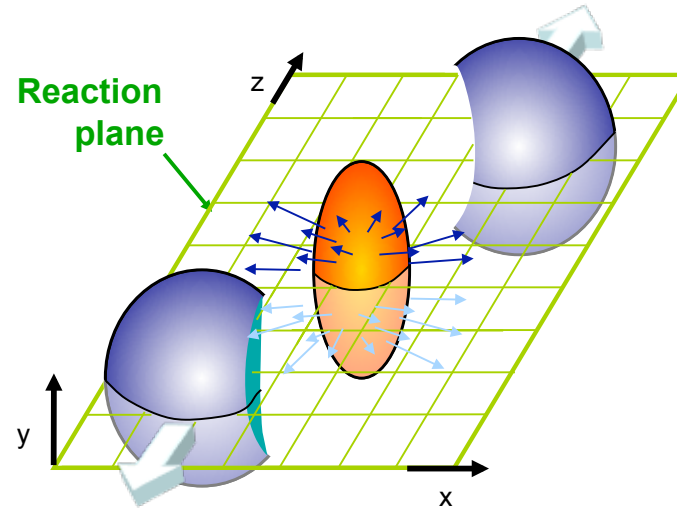
Event Characterization in HI and pp

- Directed flow in distribution of forward neutrons in Heavy ion collisions defines reaction plane

- $L(b)$ vs. b known a priori

$$\frac{\int_0^b b' db'}{\int_0^\infty b' db'} \Leftrightarrow \% \text{Centrality}$$

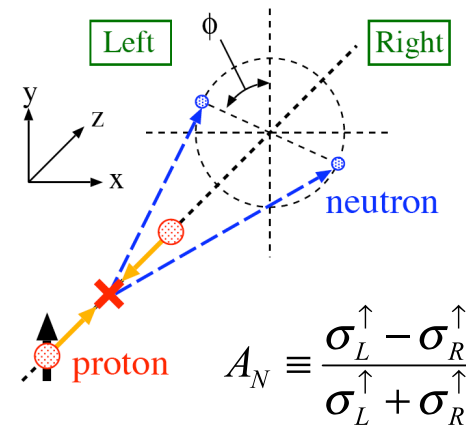
- ZDC neutron multiplicity determines b



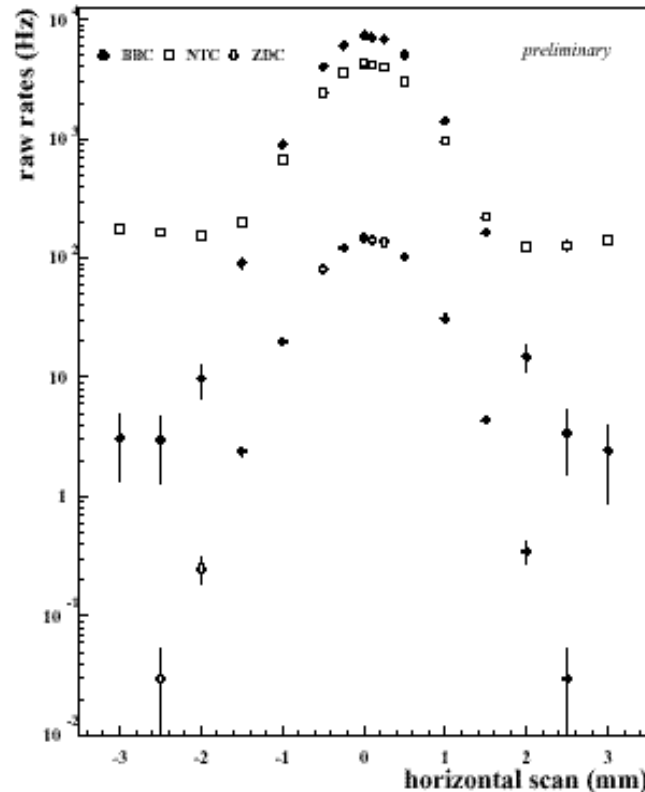
in polarized p beam running at PHENIX

spin orientation given by $\sim 8\%$ spin

dependent asymmetry in n distribution



Luminosity determination from beam scans: more forward->higher quality



machine based luminosity

$$L = \frac{3f_{rev}\gamma}{2} \frac{N_b N^2}{\epsilon\beta^*}$$

$$N_b = 56; N = 1 \times 10^9;$$

$$\epsilon = 15 \text{ to } 40 \mu\text{m};$$

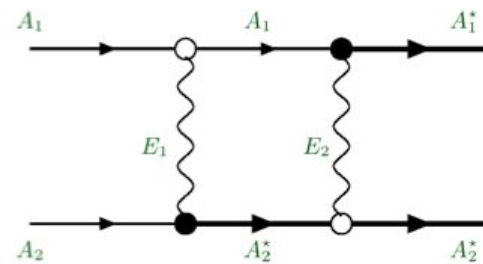
$$\beta^* = 1-10\text{m}$$

horizontal scan determines beam size
(lower curve is ZDC)

Absolute Luminosity from physics cross section

A.Baltz & SNW

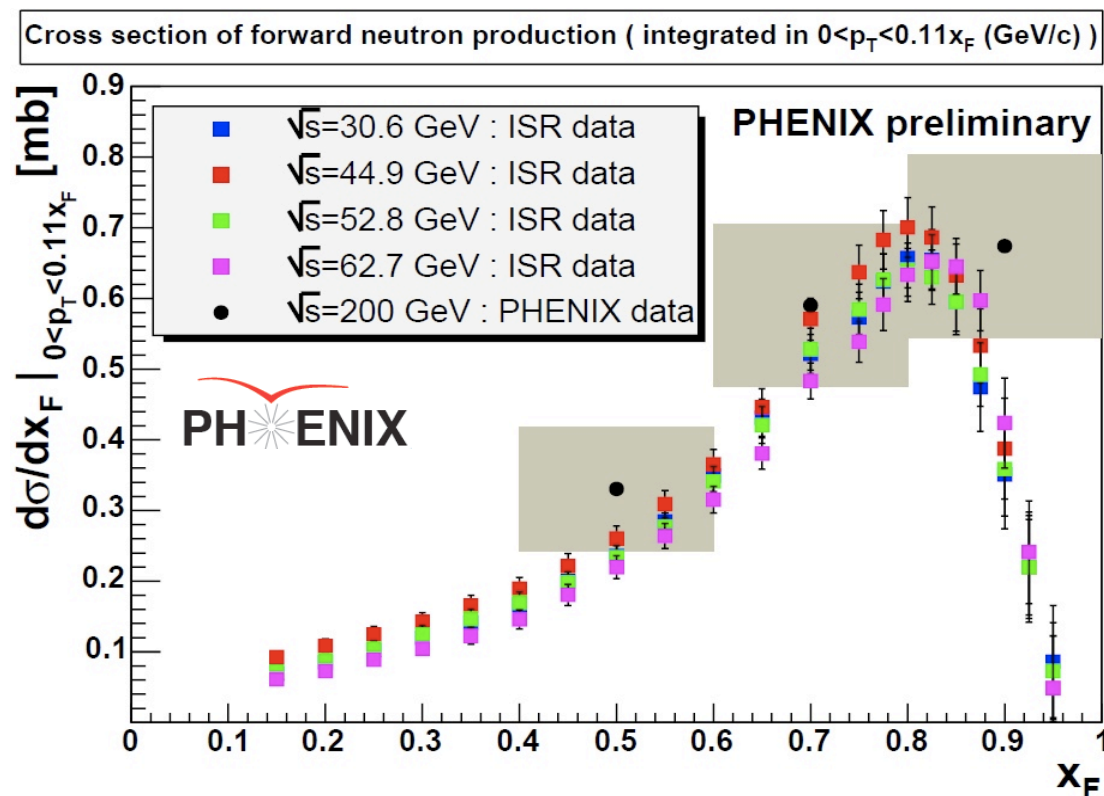
$\sigma(\text{ZDC}) = 10.3\text{b}$ $\rightarrow dL/L \sim 5\%$ w. 4 hrs. of data. Same calculated for LHC.



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Inclusive neutron production in PHENIX



p_T acceptance
assumes ISR result

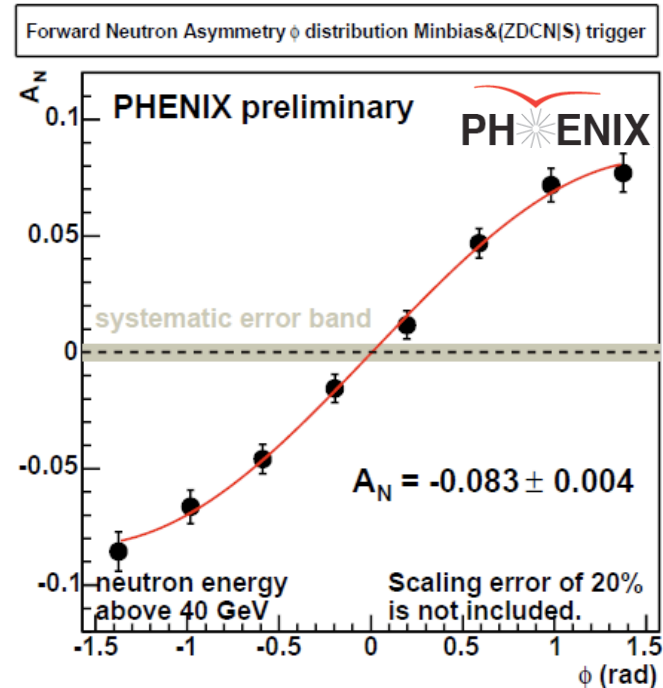
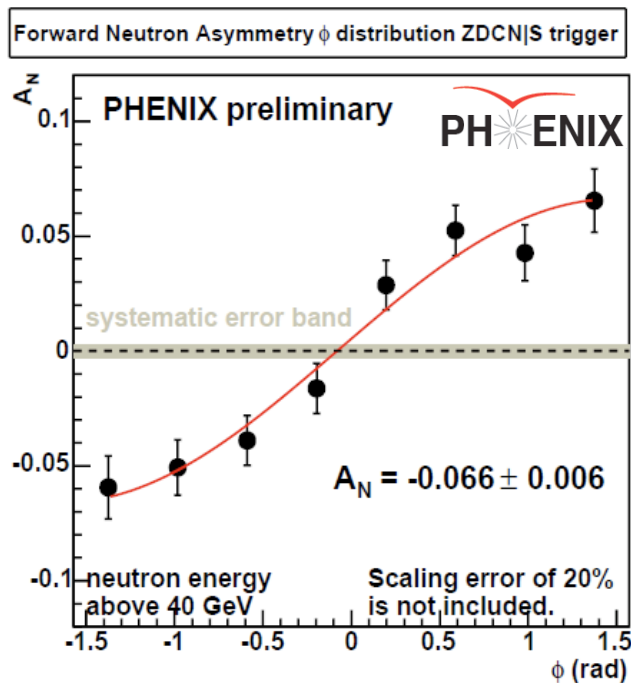
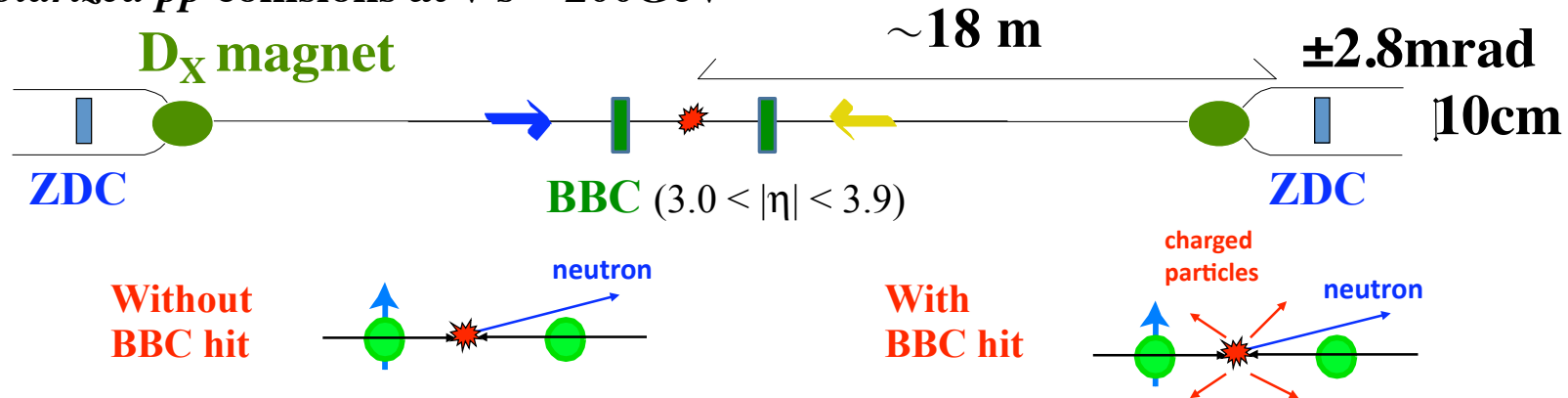
Integrated p_T area :
 $0 < p_T < 0.11 x_F$ GeV/c
at each x_F point.

Cross section consistent with the ISR data; No evidence for violation of x_F scaling at higher energy.

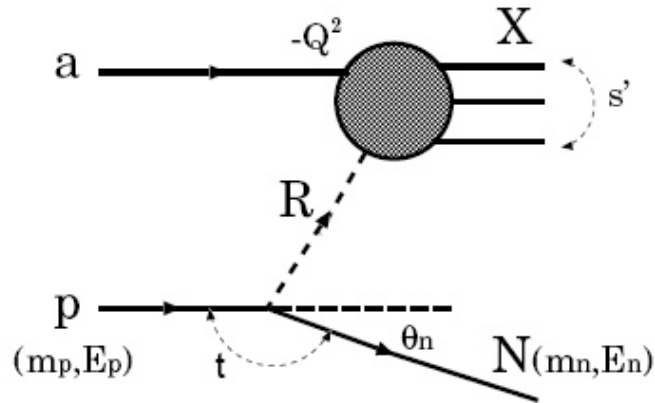
→ Leading neutrons at RHIC energy are also described by the OPE model.

Leading neutron A_N in PHENIX

Polarized pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200\text{GeV}$



Future measurement : A_N measurements at various \sqrt{s}

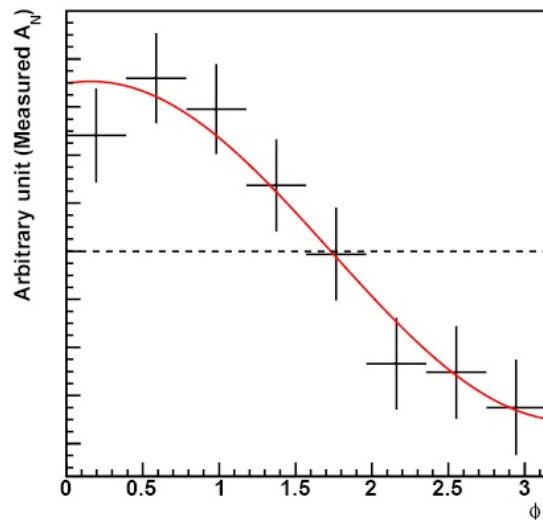


$$x_F = p_L / p_{L(max)} = E_n \cos \theta_n / E_p \sim E_n / E_p$$

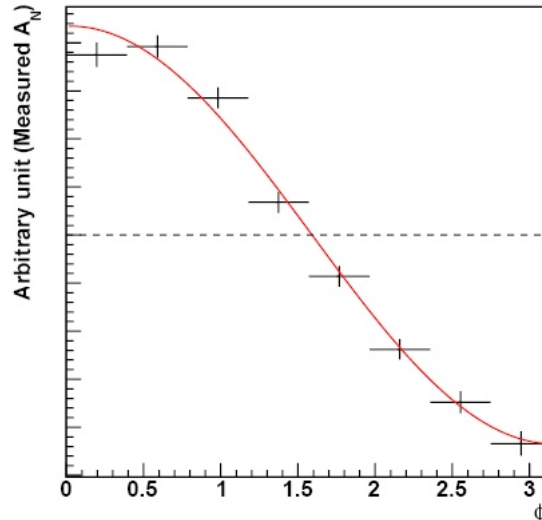
$$p_T = E_n \sin \theta_n \sim x_F E_p \theta_n$$

- p_T is approximately proportional to the incident proton energy. \rightarrow **p_T -dependent A_N**
- We have measured finite asymmetries at $\sqrt{s}=62, 410$ and 500 GeV
- We already measured significant A_N in all.

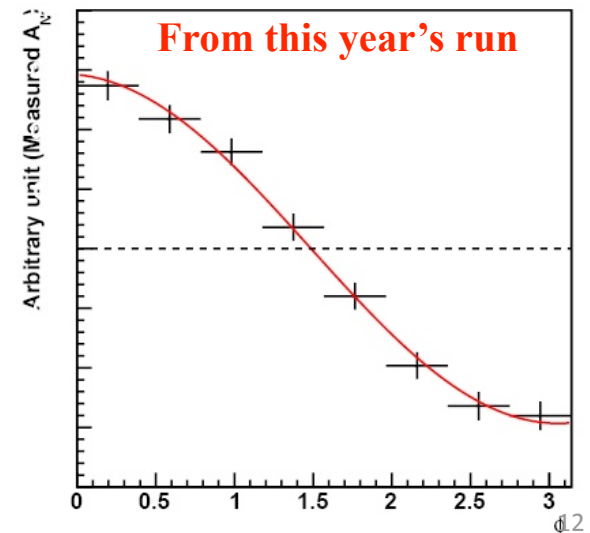
$\sqrt{s} = 62$ GeV



$\sqrt{s} = 410$ GeV

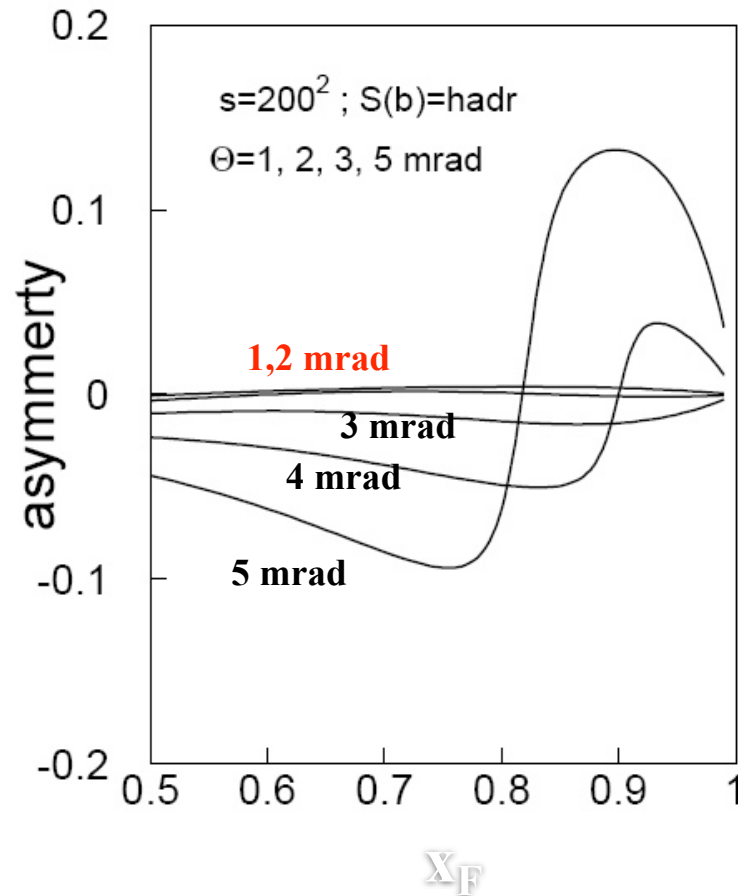


$\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV



Compare to calculated Asymmetry

B.Z. Kopeliovich, I.K. Potashnikov, I. Schmidt and J.Soffer
arXiv:0807.1449

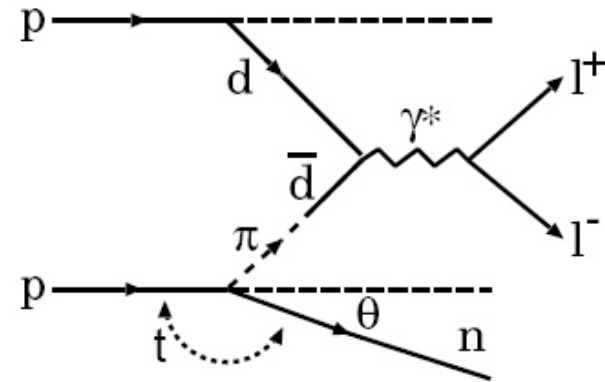


- Asymmetry calculated with one pion exchange model.
- calculated asymmetry is smaller than observed.
 - PHENIX kinematic region :
 $x_F=0.6-0.8$, and $\theta < 2 \text{ mrad}$.
 - possibly due to other reggeon exchanges. (*e.g.* a_1 exchange)
 - testable with neutron p_t dist.

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_t^2} \vec{\eta} \rightarrow \frac{1}{(p_t^2 + m_\pi^2)^2}$$

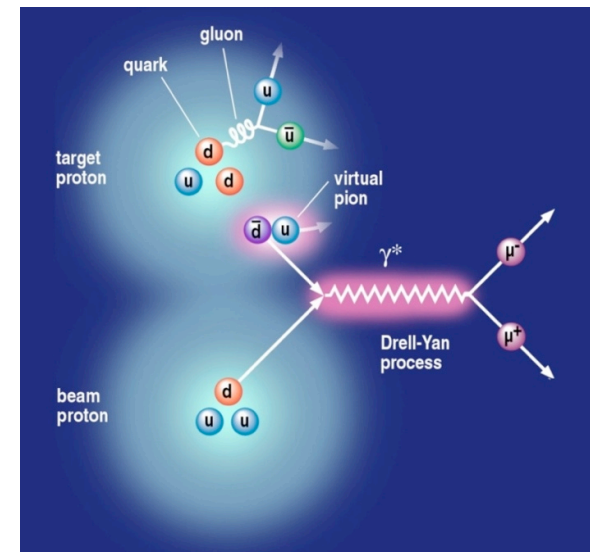
Potential Uses of neutron tagging in ATLAS and PHENIX

neutron tag selects pion component in the proton and hence \bar{d}
 application in 2009 PHENIX pp data on $W^{+/-}$ at $\sqrt{s} = 500\text{GeV}$
 ATLAS , PHENIX Drell-Yan



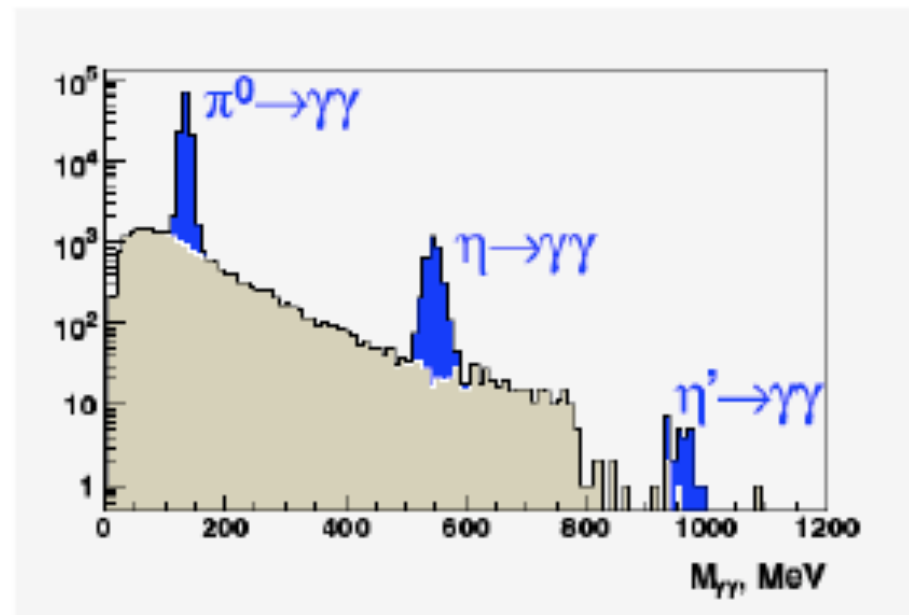
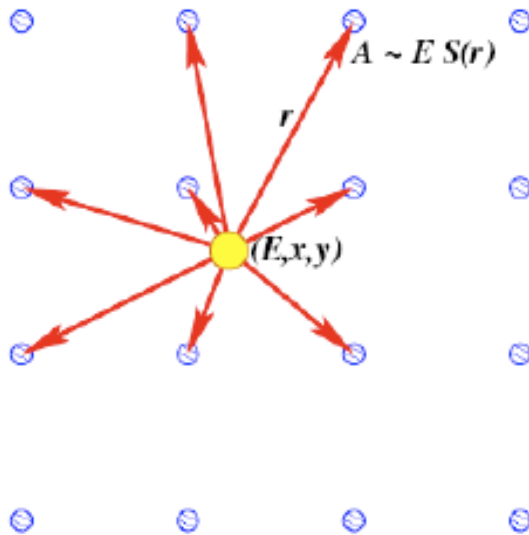
$pp \rightarrow n+n+X$ potential measurement of $\pi^+\pi^-$ scattering at high energy

Used throughout in EM interactions of heavy ions.
 Significant fraction of cross sections include a second (soft) photon exchange which produces a beam energy neutron at 0 degrees.
 This is needed for triggering.



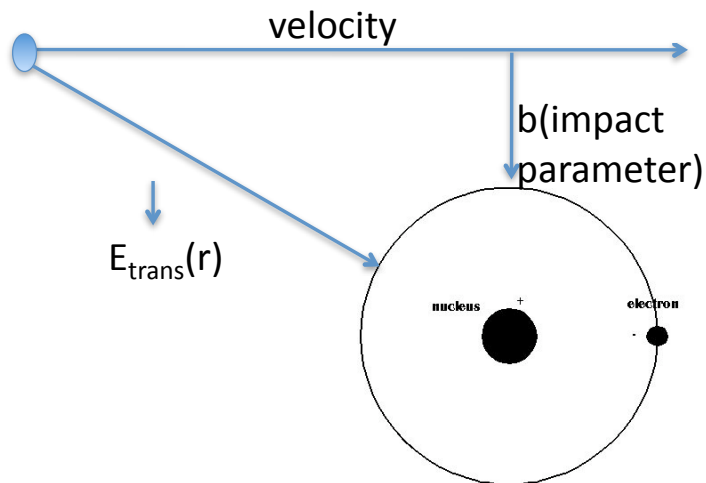
Other forward inclusive Production

- ATLAS ZDC granularity opens possibility to measure Lambda, Gamma, pi0, etc. at large x_F



EM Production: The Equivalent Photon Approximation

“On the theory of Collisions between Atoms and electrically Charged particles” E.Fermi translated by M.Gallinaro and SNW



$$E_{trans} = \frac{q \times b}{(b^2 + v^2 t^2)^{3/2}}$$

⇒ A “field of light” with intensity a_n^2 at frequency n/T

Expand in harmonics:

$$E_{trans} = \sum a_n^2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n \times t}{T}\right)$$

For resonant excitation all a_n ineffective except at resonant frequency.

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Cross sections

Equivalent field of light is calculated for each impact parameter.

But Impact parameter unmeasurable (i.e. $\sim 10^{-10}$ meters)

-> calculate an equivalent radius

$$\pi\rho^2 = 2\pi \int b \times P(b) \times db = \sigma$$

-> cross section (σ)

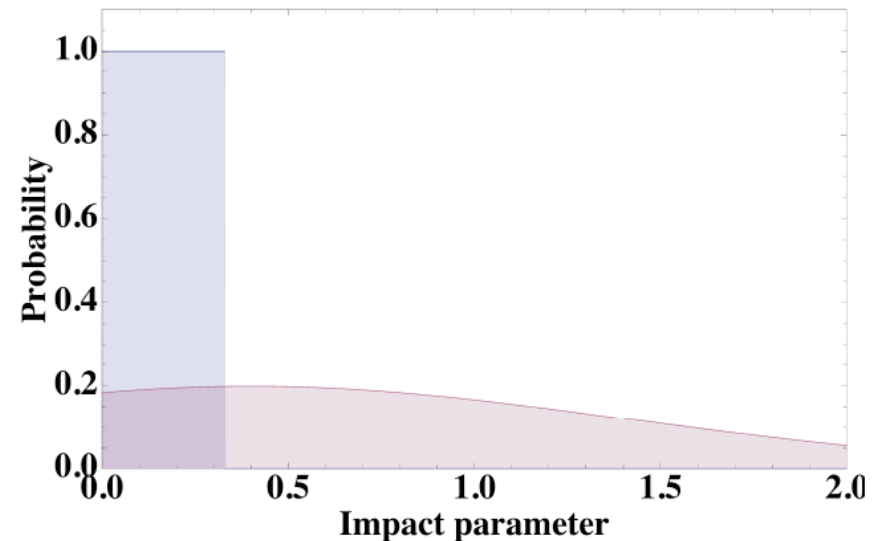
Units:

1 barn = 10^{-24} cm²

1 barn/atom -> ~ 1
interaction for typical
target

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P(b) and equivalent cross section



Examples:

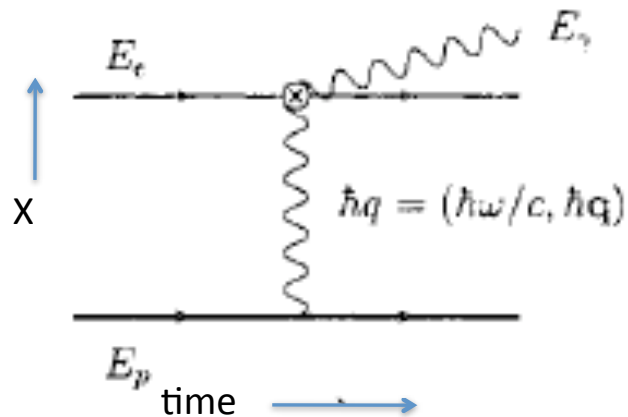
Gold+Gold -> e⁺e⁻+Gold+Gold = 33,000 barns

Proton-proton Interaction ~ 0.1 barns

Diffractive Higgs@LHC = 10^{-14} barn
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Other Applications of Equivalent Photon Approximation(1)

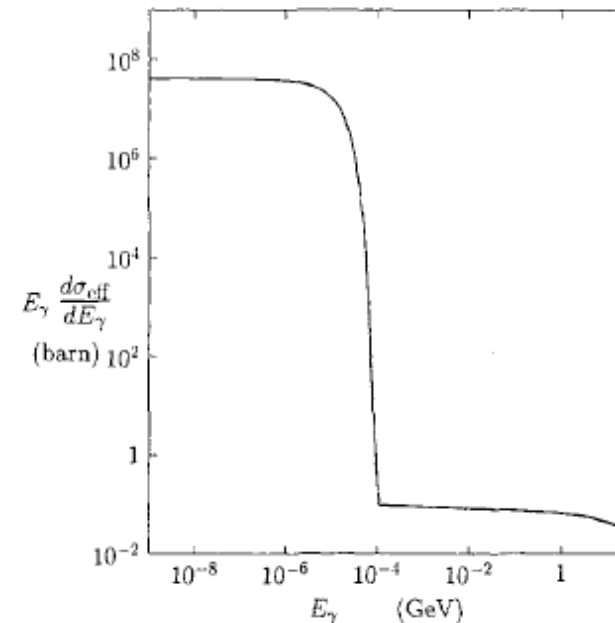
- N.Bohr (1914), C. von Weizsacker and E.Williams(1934, generalization to ultrarelativistic case)
- **The power of coherence:** beamstrahlung in electron-proton colliders(V.Serbo et al. 1996). Coherent radiation off $\sim 10^9$ proton bunch ($l \sim 1\text{cm}$)



$$E_\gamma \leq 2 \frac{\gamma_{\text{Lorentz}}^2 \hbar c}{l_{\text{bunch}} \pi}$$

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Coherence condition:



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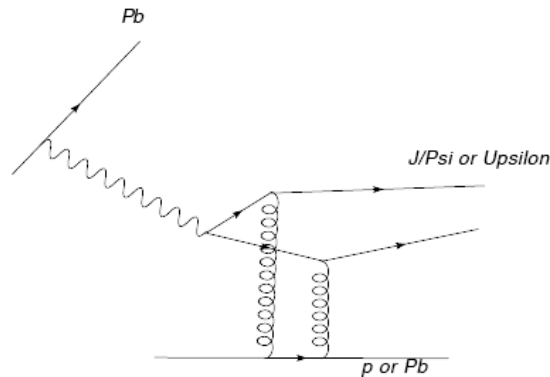
EPA(2)

- The effect of coherence is significant in collisions with composite targets
 - **Single photon process** $\rightarrow (Z_{\text{nucleus}} * q_e)^2$
 - **Two photon** $\rightarrow (Z_{\text{nucleus}} * q_e)^4$
- The price of coherence is the limit on momentum transfer,
 $\Delta q < hc / (2\pi R_{\text{nucleus}})$ or $\lambda > \text{target size}$
- In high energy (colliding) beams the minimum Δq is boosted by $2\gamma_{\text{beam}}^2$, where γ = Lorentz factor
 \rightarrow **@LHC (2.75 TeraVolt/nucleon, Pb beam):**

28 MeV \rightarrow 400 TeV

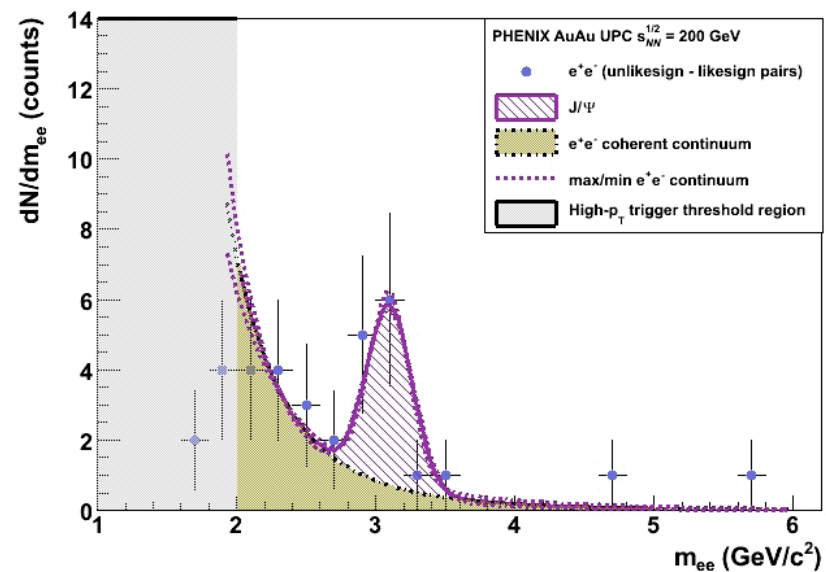
EPA(3): Vector meson photoproduction

- measures gluon distribution in proton or nucleus



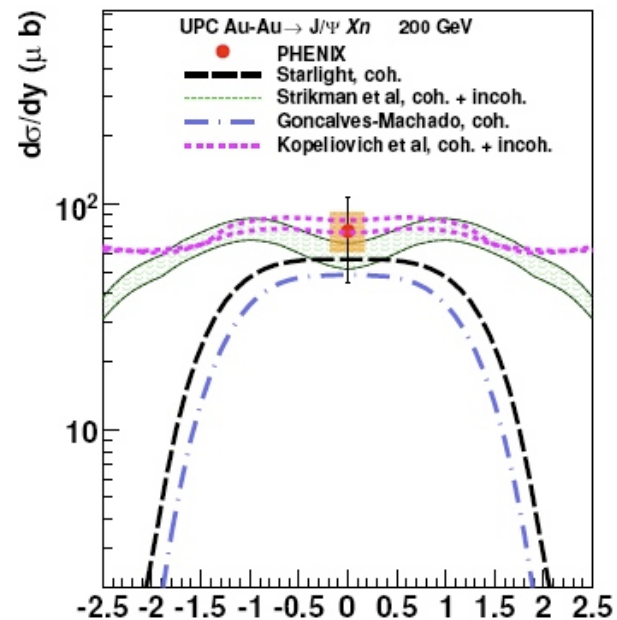
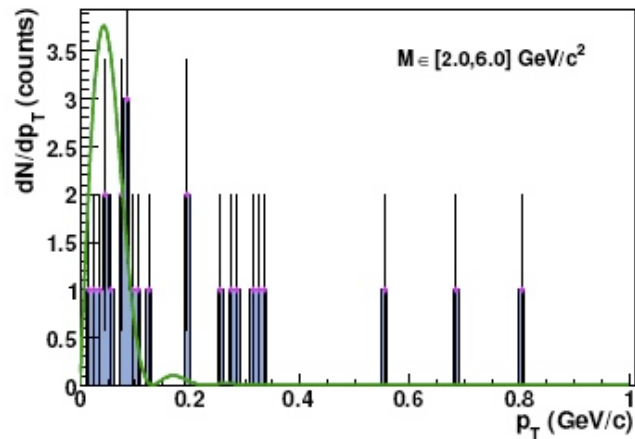
- **PHENIX low statistics run:**
 - Quasi-elastic J/Psi + high mass $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$ continuum
- **ATLAS will also measure Upsilon with high statistics**
- **trigger $\rightarrow ee + \text{gap} + \text{ZDC}$**

“Central Exclusive Production”



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Comparison to models including incoherent part

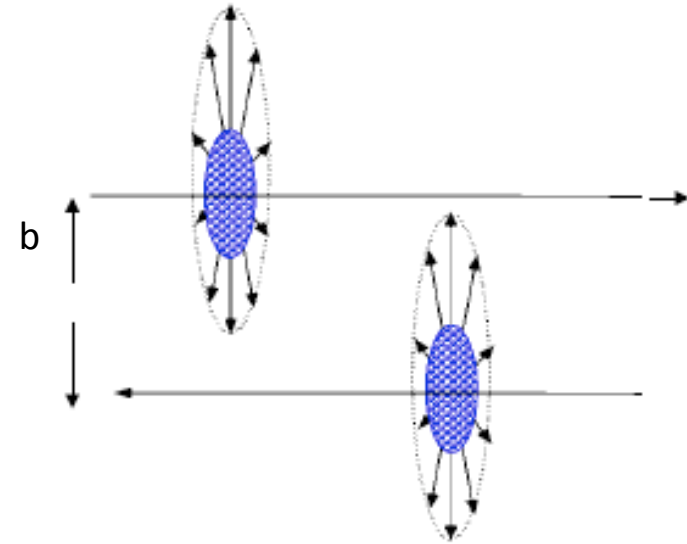
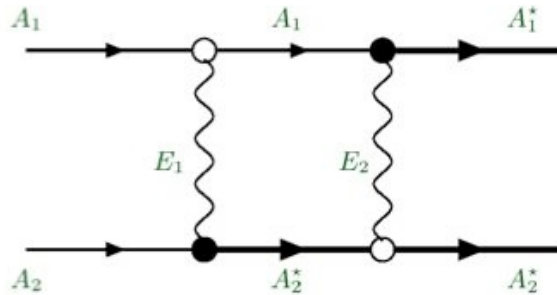
PHENIX Run 7 data will increase statistics by 3

could implement recoil neutron cut to select incoherent

extension to forward muons interesting

EPA(4)-mechanisms of beam loss at the LHC

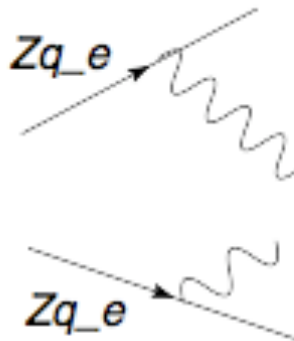
- **Mutual Coulomb Dissociation(A. Baltz, SNW)**



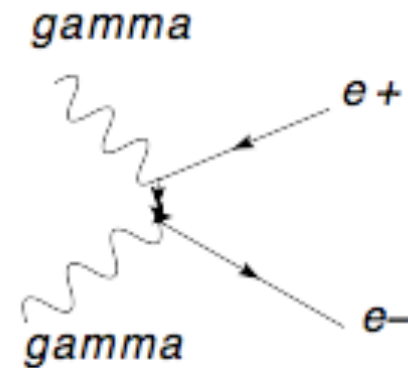
- **Coherent Pair Production (various)**

“inverse positron annihilation”
(Breit-Wheeler)

(“photon flux”)²



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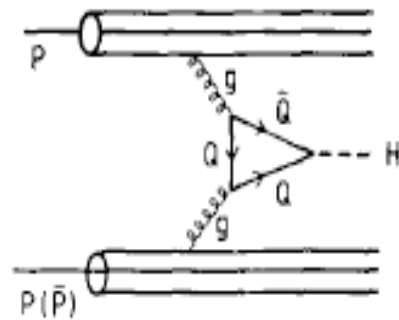


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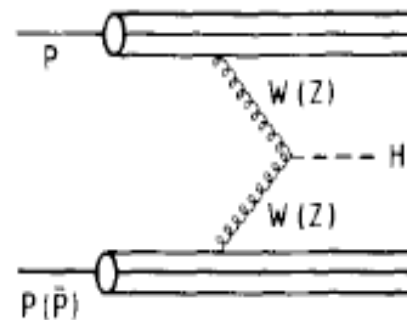
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EPA(5)-Equivalent W Approximation

- Dominant Higgs production if $M_H \geq 300$ GeV (Dawson):



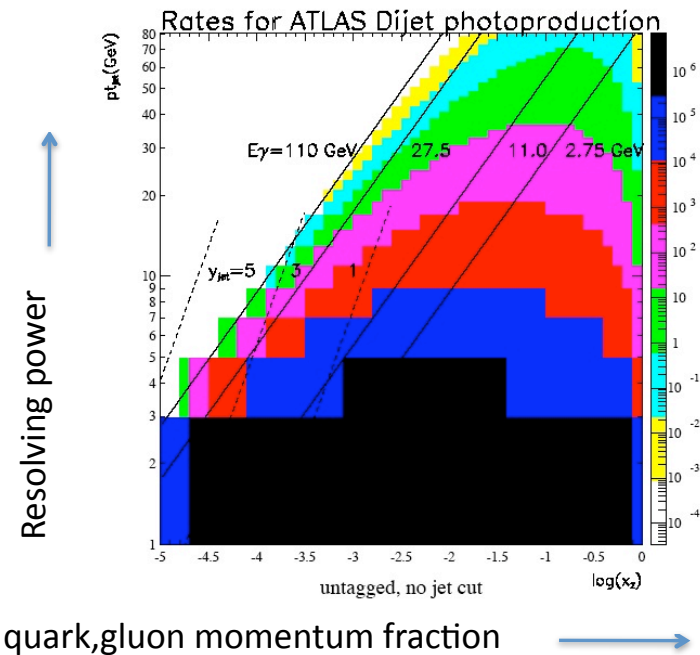
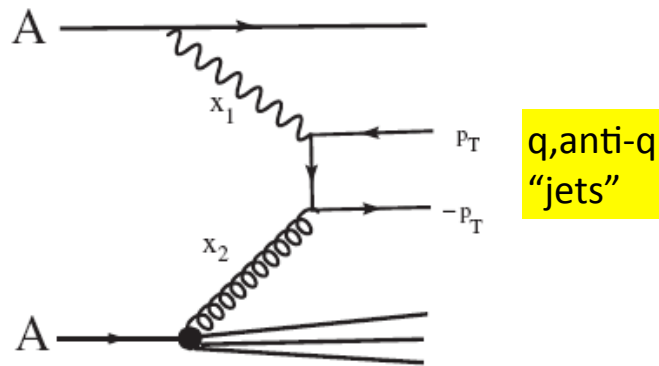
“gluon-gluon fusion”



“ β -decay amplitude”

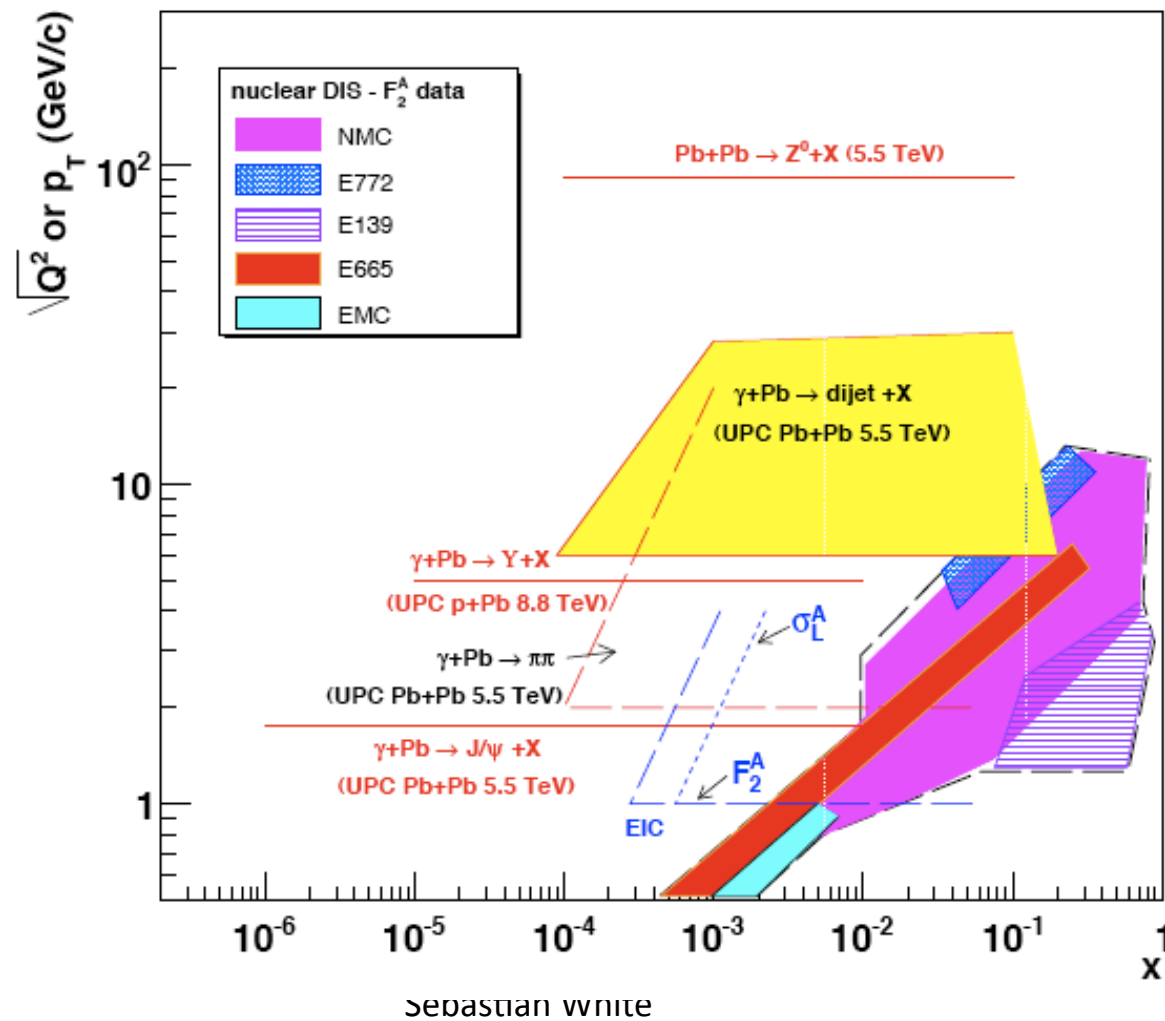
EPA(6): Measuring the structure of Protons and Nuclei

- “Probing Small x parton densities in Ultraperipheral AA and pA collisions”(Strikman, Vogt, SNW)



Structure \Leftrightarrow Distribution of partons(=quarks, gluons) inside proton- similar to EPA

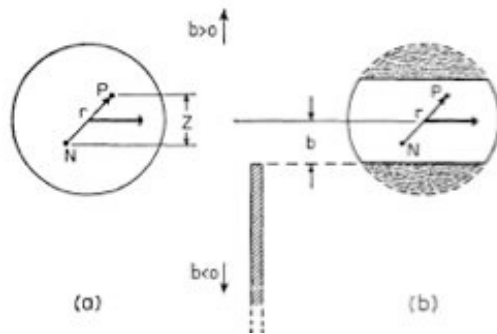
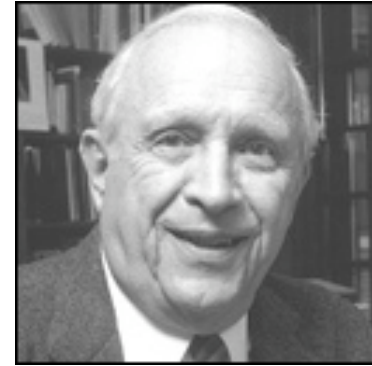
Coverage with UPC in ATLAS



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Inelastic Diffraction

- Glauber (1955)- deuteron “free dissociation”
- Feinberg & Pomeranchuk('56)



Collisionless excitation to unbound n, p

$$d = \sum c_n \Psi_n, \Psi_n = \text{Scattering basis states}$$

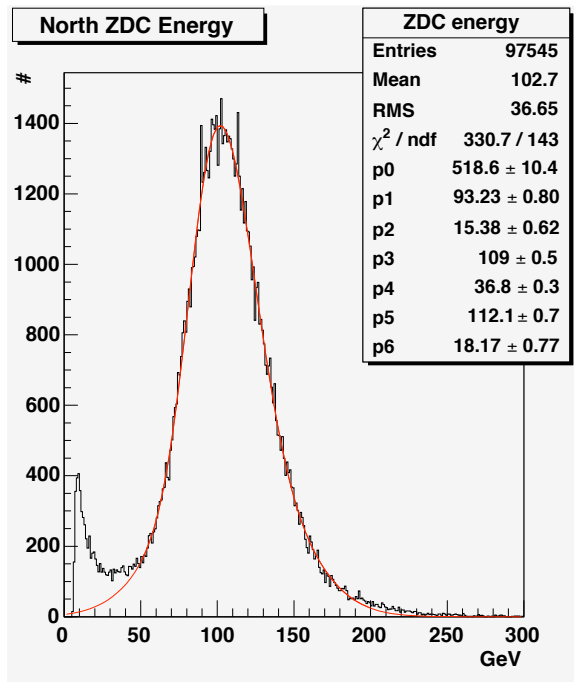
Calculated as a correction to deuteron stripping

- Measured in PHENIX
- **“Diffraction Dissociation-50 Years Later”-SNW**

PHENIX Measurement of deuteron Dissociation

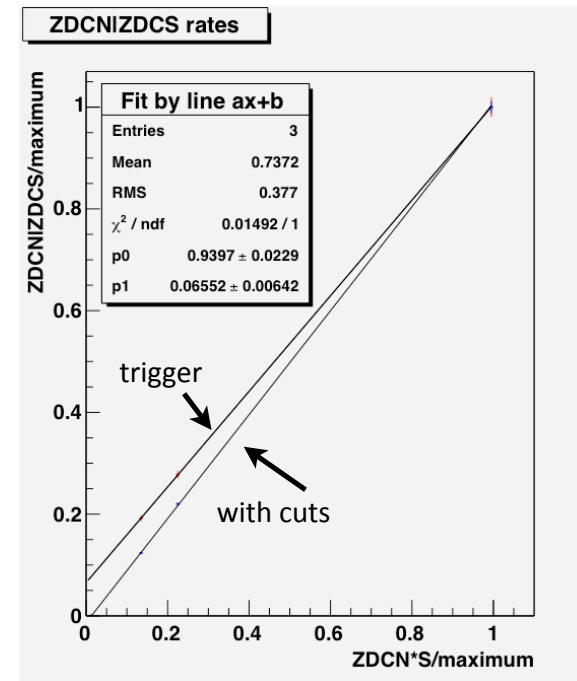
At RHIC energies electromagnetic dissociation becomes significant part of $d+Au \rightarrow n+p+Au$

since both calculable \rightarrow basis for luminosity of PHENIX dAu data



neutron energy in $d+Au \rightarrow n+p+Au$
(6% tail from inelastic)

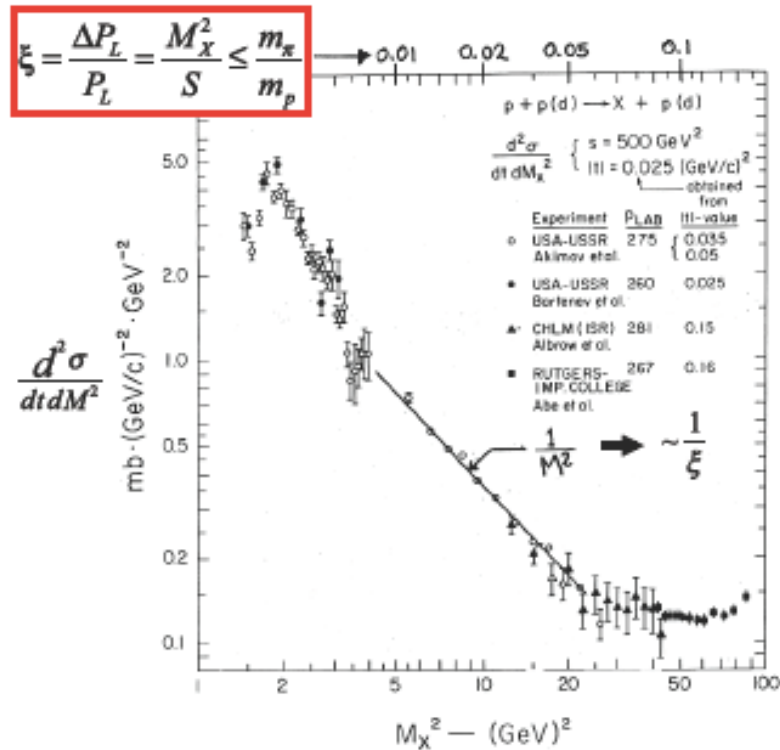
signal



Luminosity @ constant current

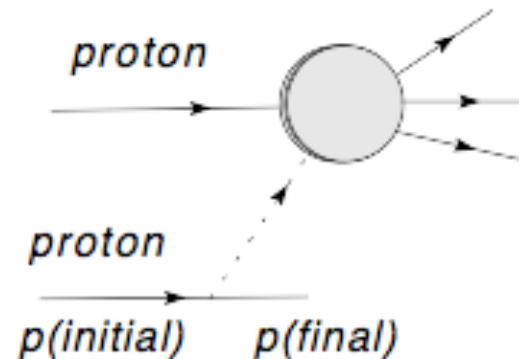
Proton diffraction dissociation

- Large coherence peak for $\lambda > R_{\text{proton}}$



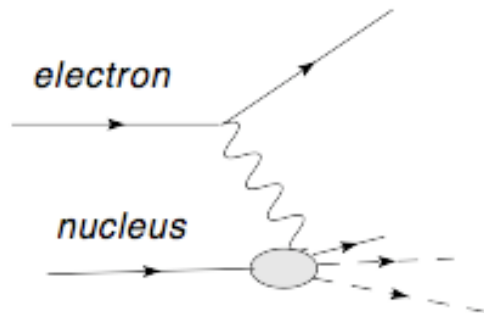
K.Goulios('83)

- Observed for p, π, K , high energy γ 's and nuclei
- $\sigma \sim A^{1/3} \rightarrow$ peripheral interaction
- Responsible for K_L regeneration in particle physics

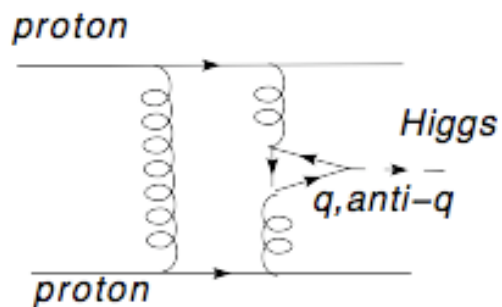


Diffraction(e-nucleus analogy)

- **Diffractive electroproduction**

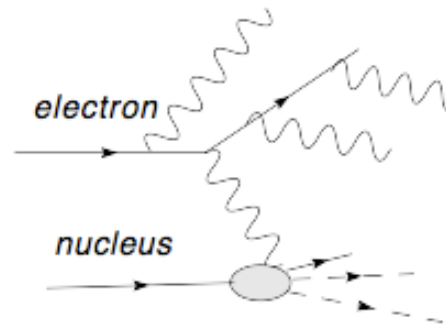


Diffractive Higgs production

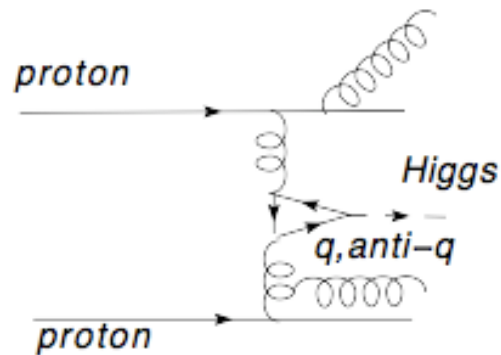


“color screening”

non-diffractive



non-diffractive



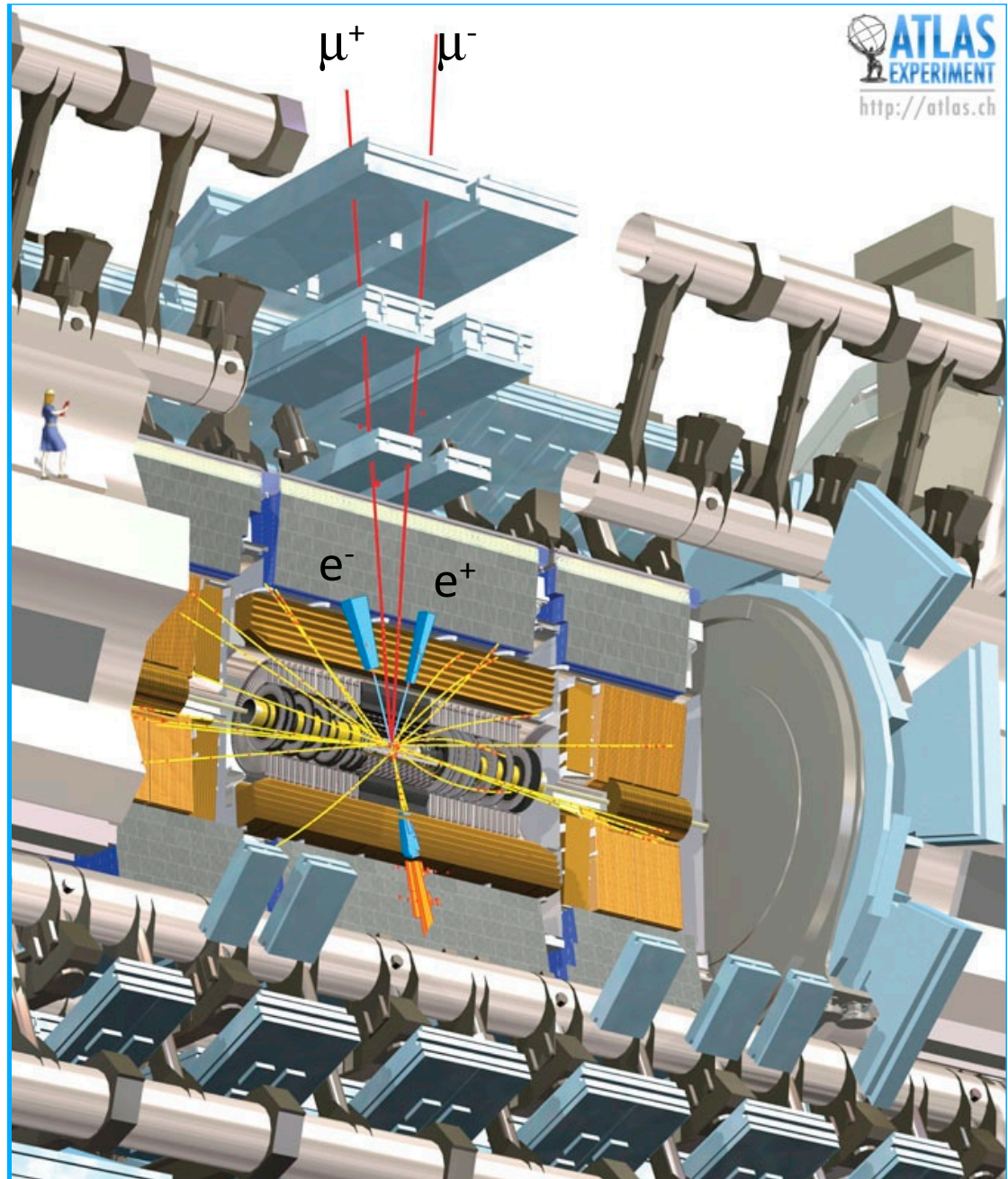
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The ATLAS detector

- dimensions $\sim 1/2$ Notre Dame de Paris
- weight \sim Eiffel tower
- A 100 MegaPixel detector with 40MHz frame rate
 - (~ 1 million CD's/10sec)
- 80% of pixels in first ~ 30 cm.
- Trigger filters data in real time(1GHz \rightarrow 200Hz)
 - Data reduced to ~ 7 km high stack of CD's/year

Higgs \rightarrow $Z^0 Z^0 + \dots$
 $Z^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-, \mu^+ \mu^-$



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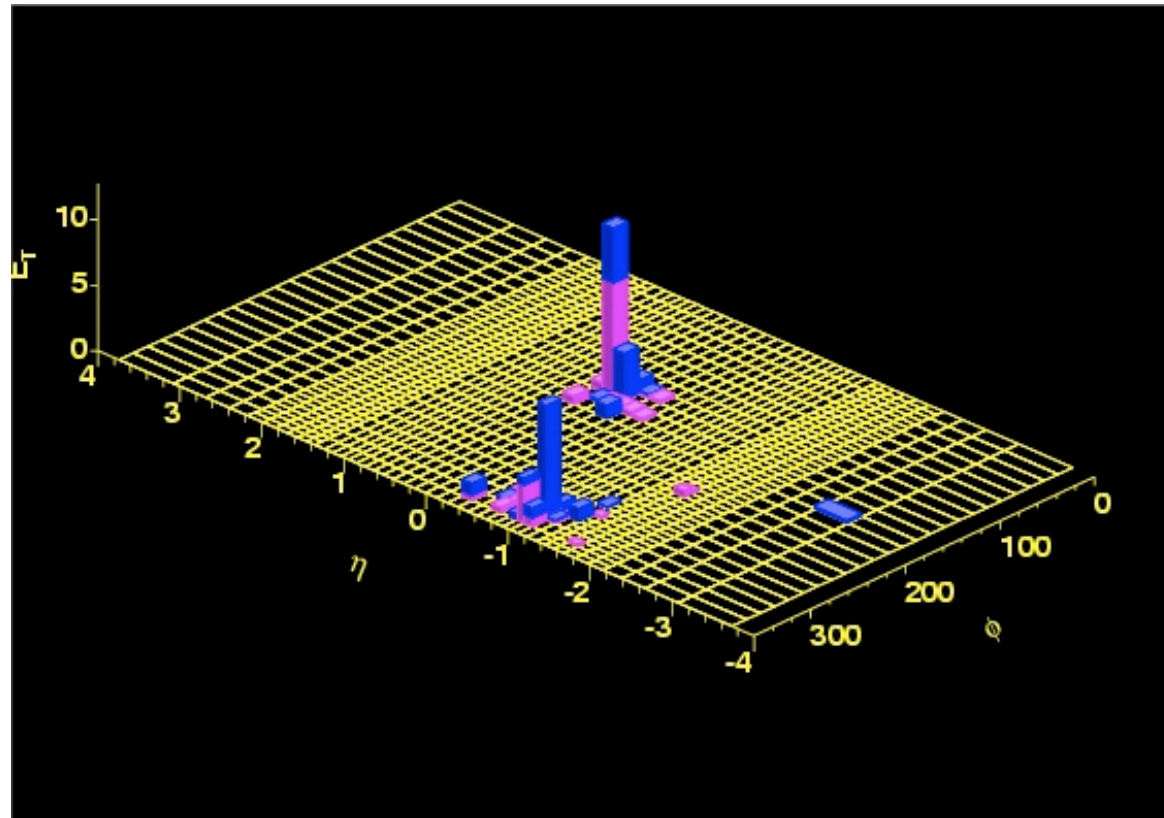
ATLAS FP :A Search for New Physics Using Forward Proton Detectors



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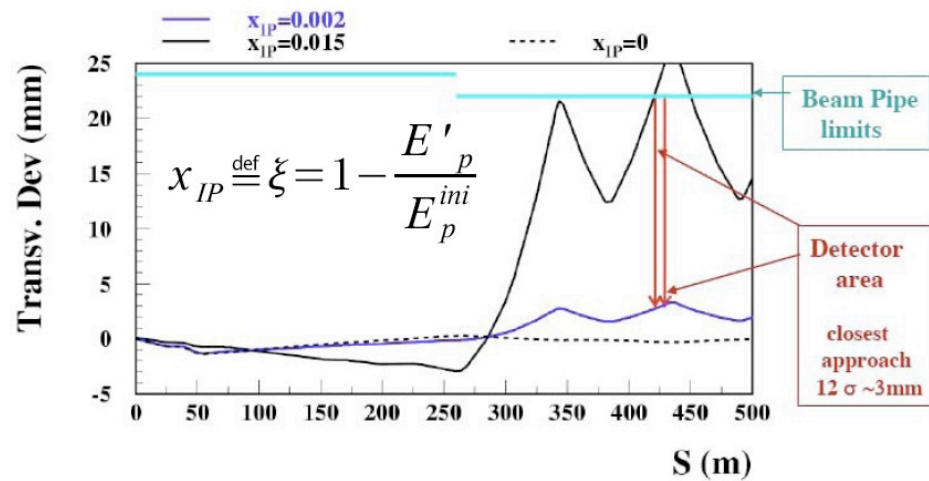
$pp \rightarrow p + \text{JetJet} + p$

Supports exclusive H^0 prediction of Khoze, Martin & Ryskin

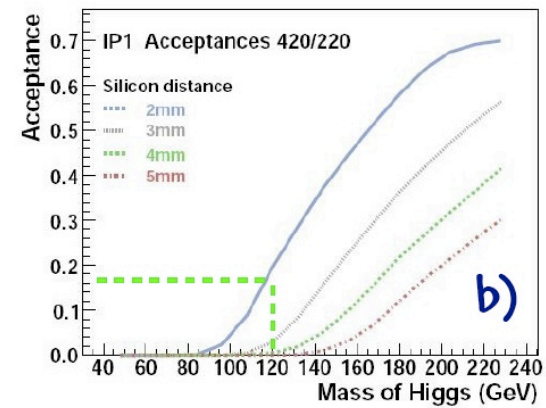
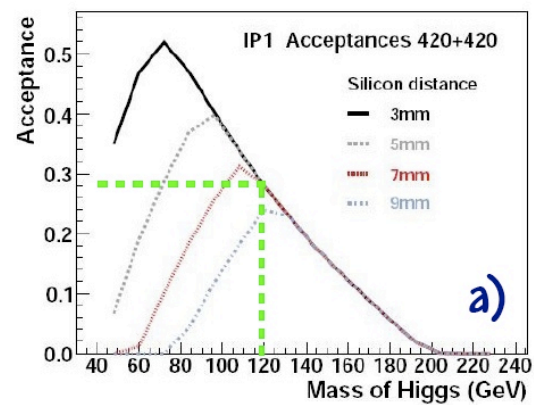


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Acceptance for Higgs: a) 420+420 b) 420+220



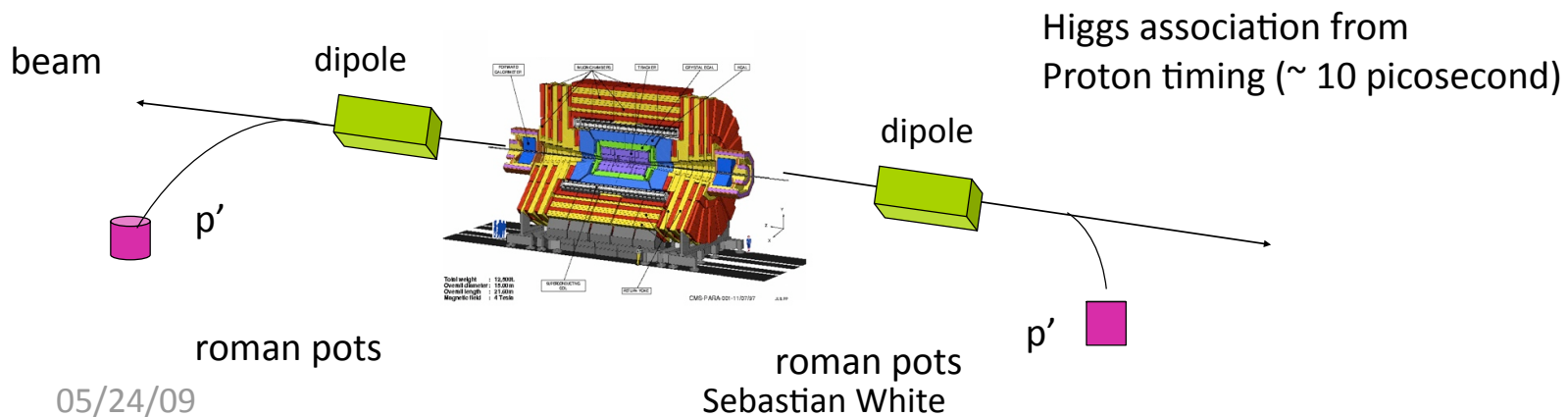
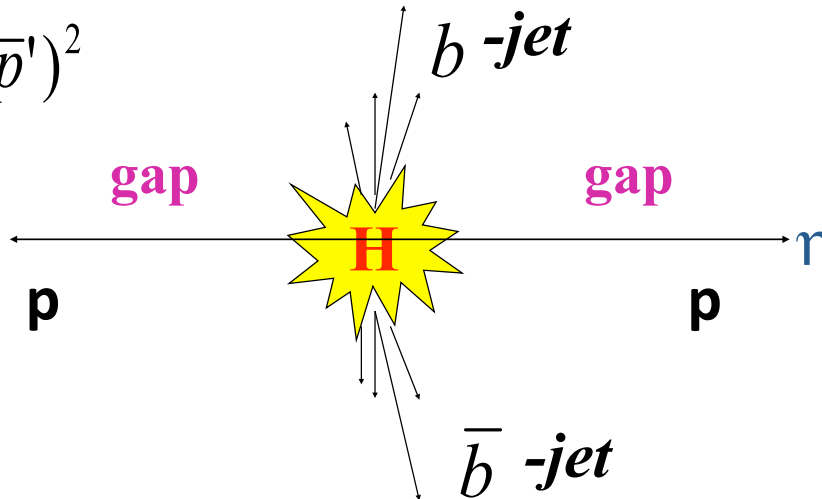
Central Exclusive Higgs Production

Central Exclusive Higgs production $pp \rightarrow p H p$: $>3 \text{ fb (SM)}$
 $\sim 10\text{-}100 \text{ fb (MSSM)}$

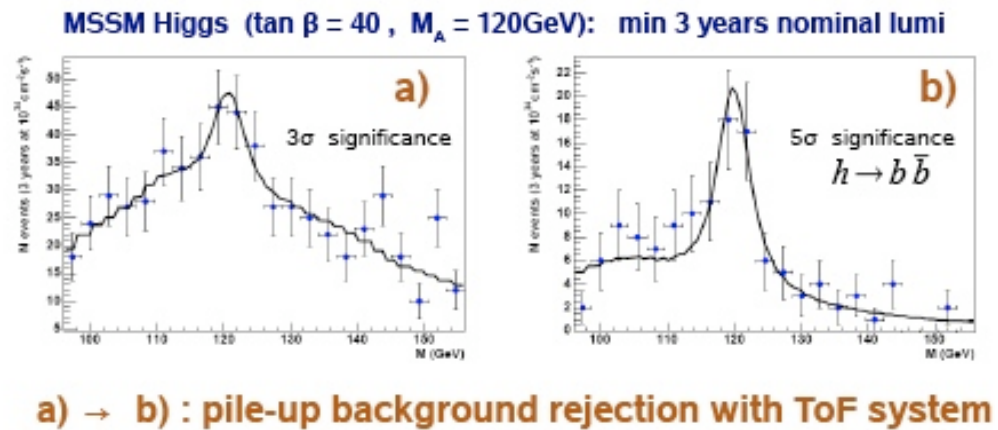
$$M_H^2 = (p + \bar{p} - p' - \bar{p}')^2$$

$$\Delta M = O(1.0 - 2.0) \text{ GeV}$$

Background suppressed
By 0^+ selection rule



High Rate (20 MHz) Very Fast timing (10 Picosecond) critical to the success of CEP Higgs measurement (see e.g. Cox and Pilkington)



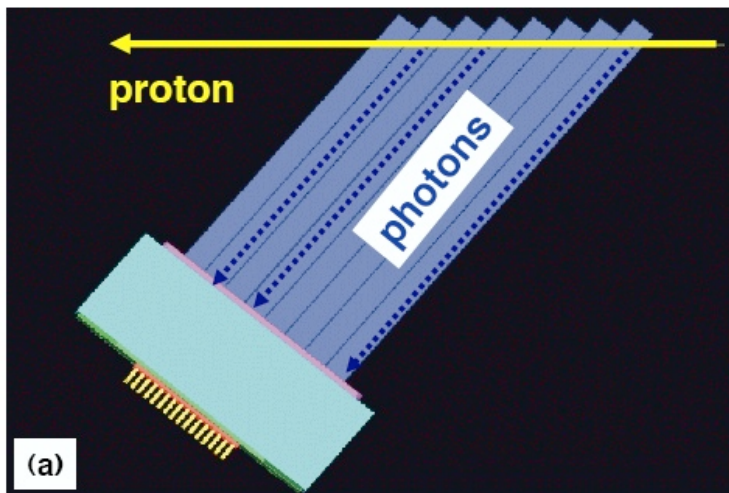
Fast Timing Principles developed in FP420

- Particles pass through Cerenkov radiator -> prompt light pulse (unlike scintillator)
- Photons are nearly along particle path for gas radiator: $\tan\theta_c \sim \sqrt{n^2-1}$ so very small transit spread
- Light peaked in UV- $N(\lambda) \sim (1-1/(n^2(\lambda)))/\lambda^2$
- For simple thin quartz radiator $\sigma_t^2 = \sigma_{\text{RADIATOR}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{PMT}}^2 \sim 1.7 \cdot \ell(\text{cms.}) + 25/\ell$ picosec so optimum at length $\sim 1-2$ cms

Quartz Radiator

Better suited for pixels

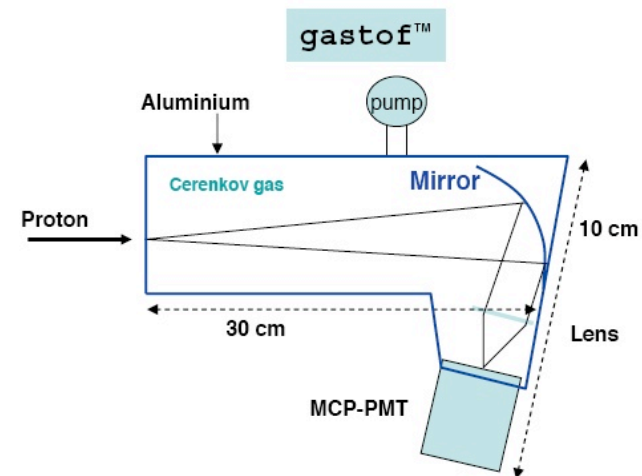
Achieved $\sigma_t = 40$ psec/bar with
PHOTONIS Planacon PMT

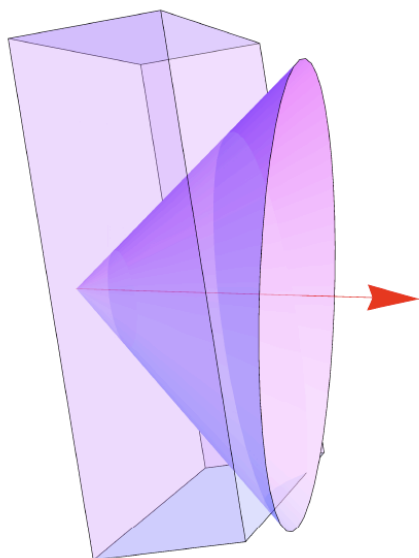


Gas Radiator

Better for light spread and collection
bad for segmentation

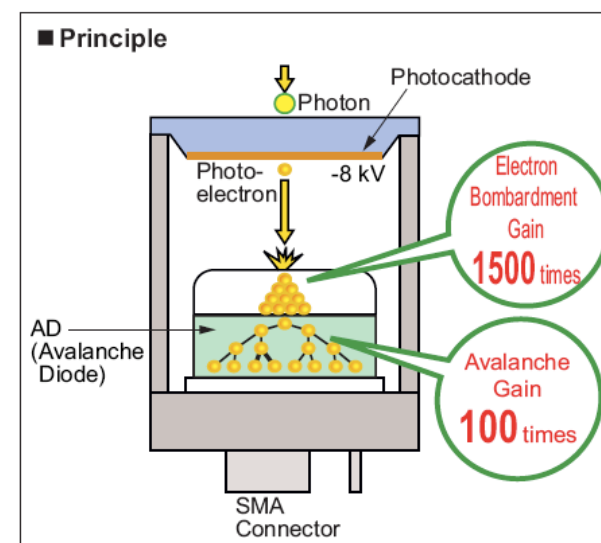
Achieved $\sigma_t = 13$ psec with
Hamamatsu R3809U MCP-PMT





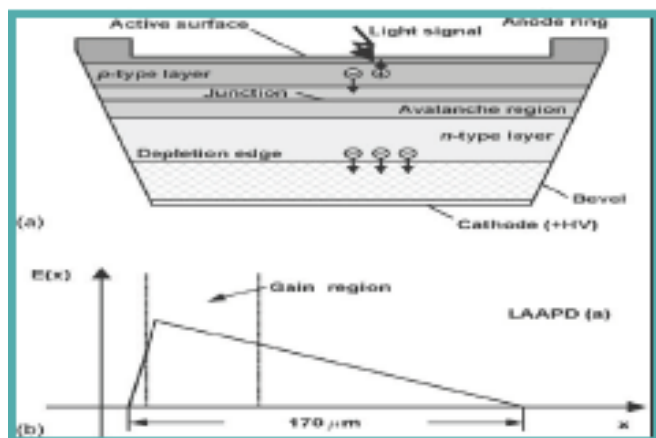
Cerenkov Radiation cone

Cerenkov
or
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option

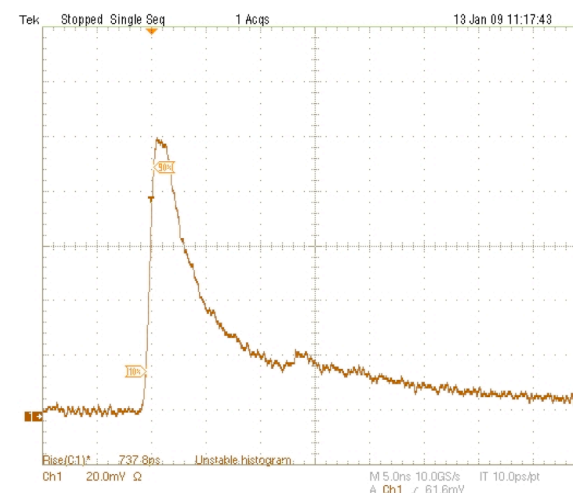


Pre-production Hybrid photodetector

“A 10 picosecond time of flight detector using APD’s”, SNW et al.



Deep diffused avalanche photodiode



650 picosecond risetime (β 's)

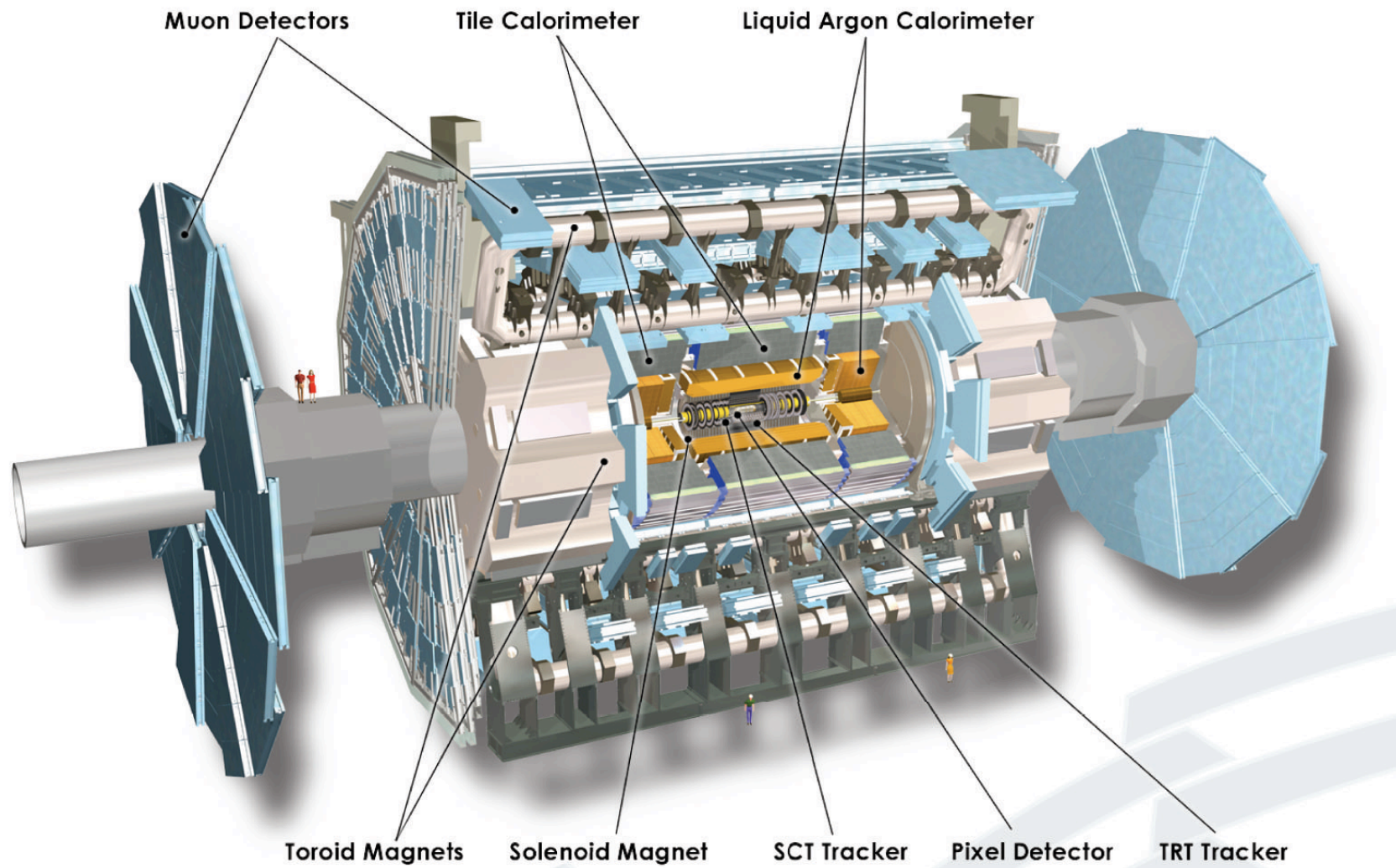
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Summary

- Forward detectors with capabilities beyond those of RHIC and Tevatron experiments have been built and commissioned for the LHC- despite the very difficult challenges imposed by radiation, rates and momentum compaction
- forward detectors increasingly important for new physics

the ATLAS detector



Handling antimatter(Sony Pictures)

