



# The virtuous circle of knowledge and innovation



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# We develop technologies in three key areas



ACCELERATORS



DETECTORS



COMPUTING

# Session 1

# Advanced Particle Accelerators

# Powering Progress

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# Particle Accelerators

## Probing the infinitely small

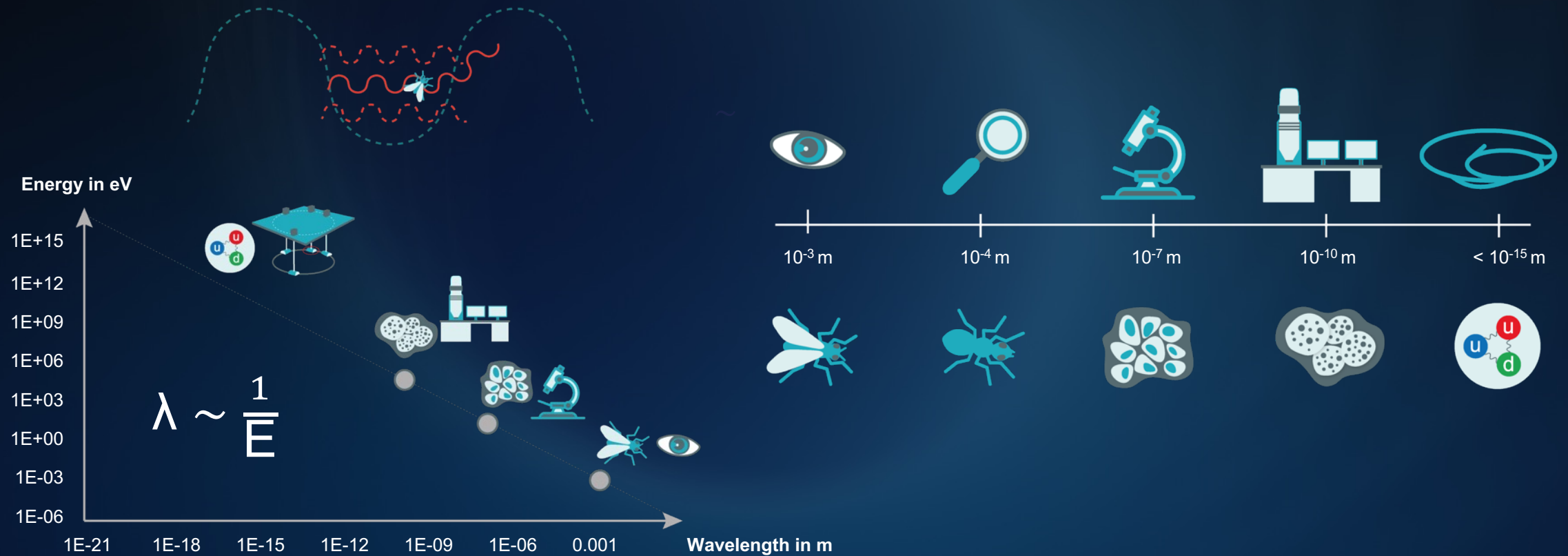
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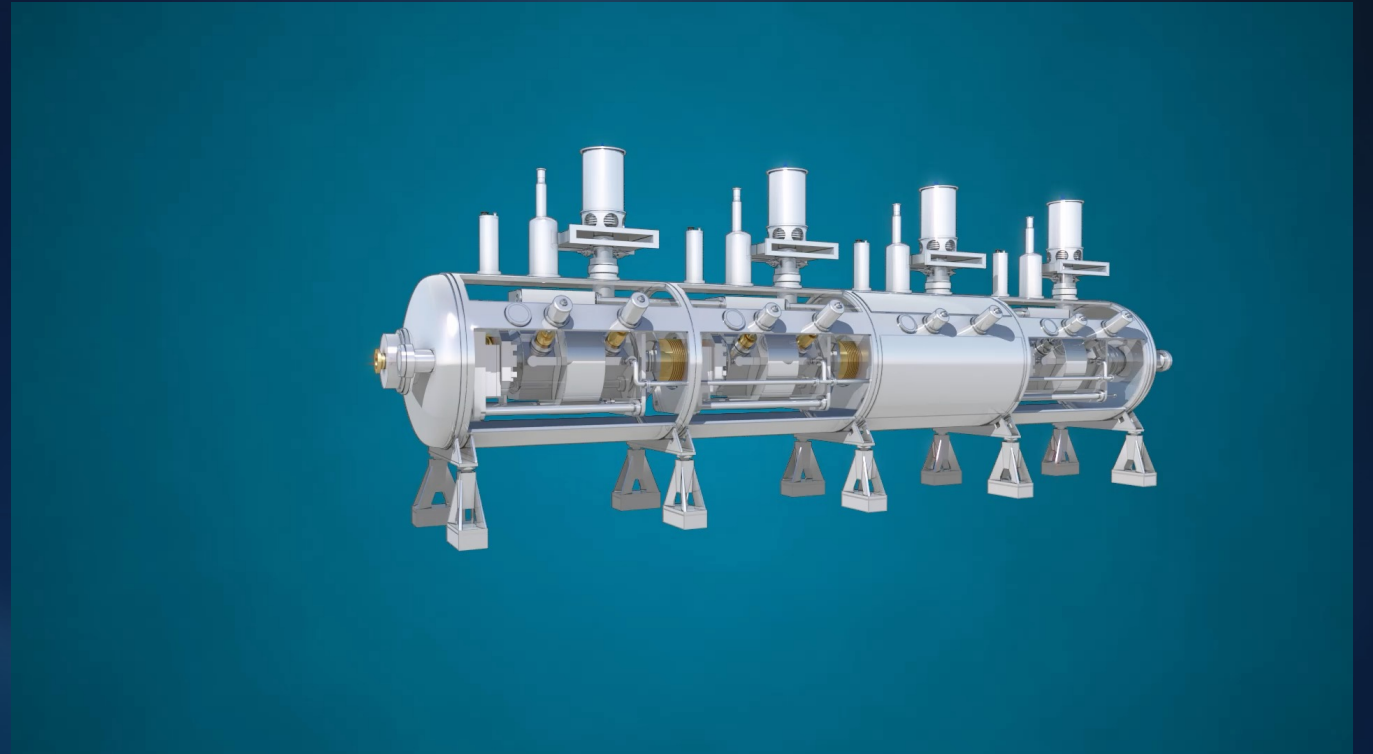
# Energy and wavelength



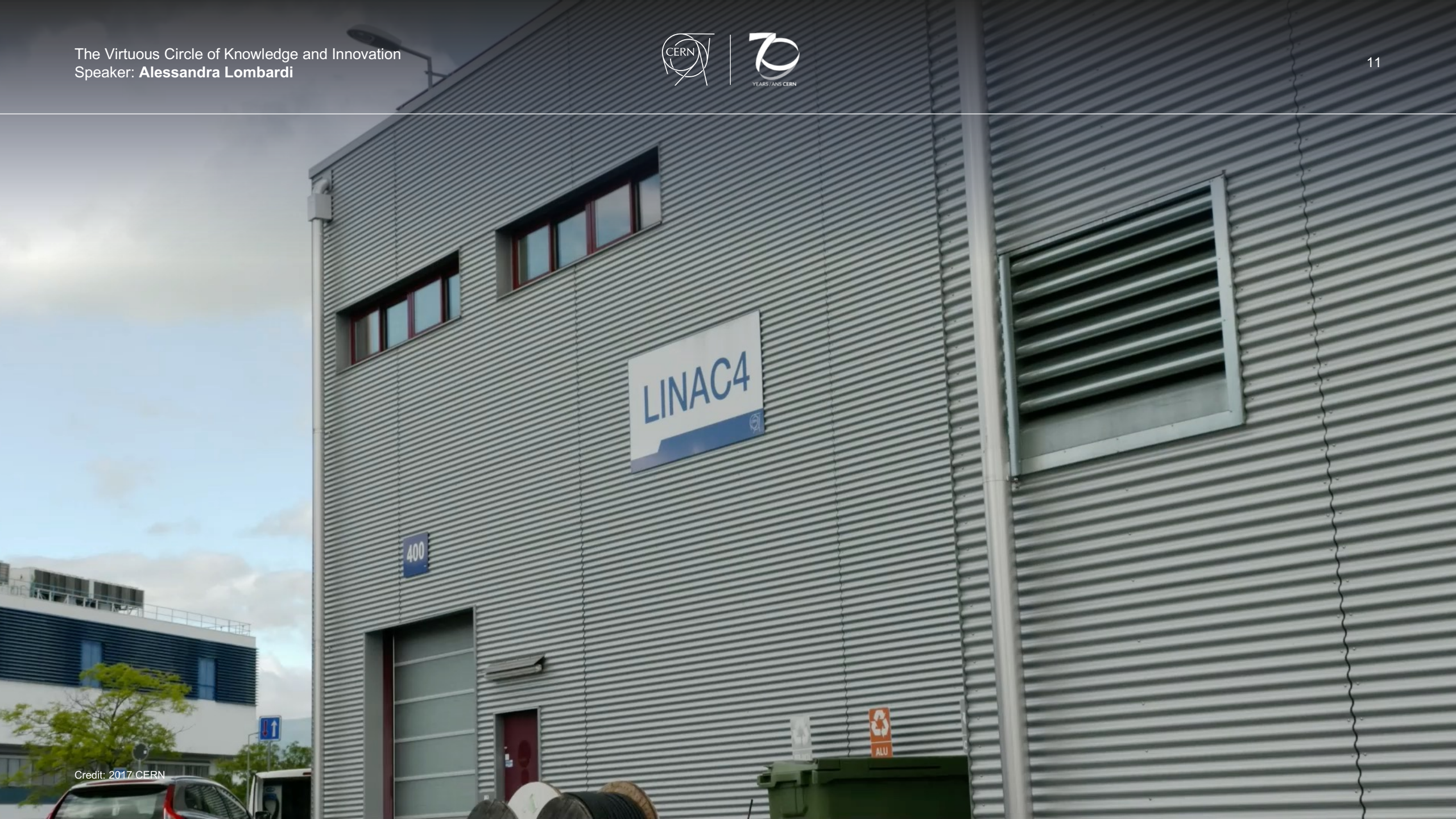


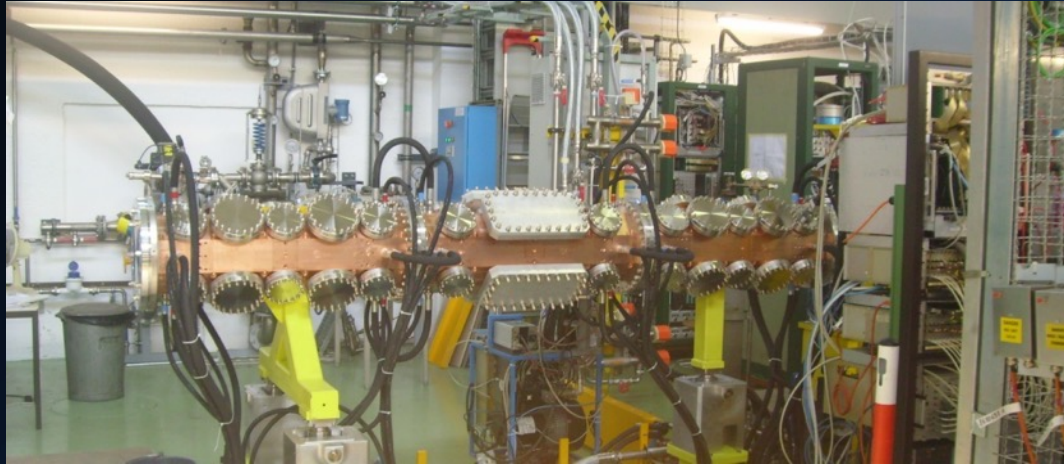


# Accelerators challenges and key technologies

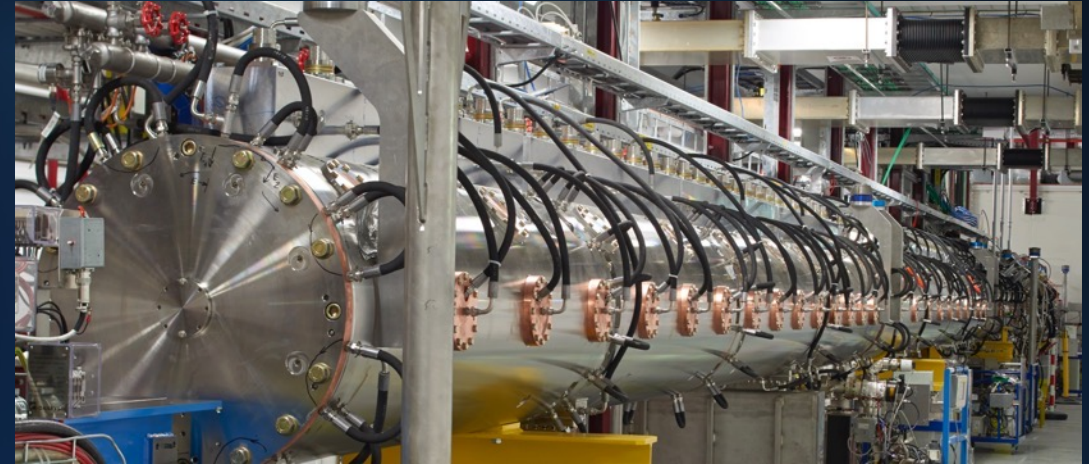


# Challenges for future Accelerators





Radio Frequency Quadrupole



Drift Tube Linac

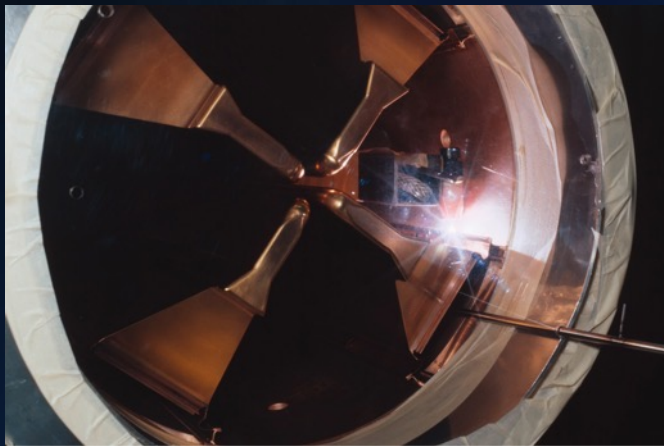


Cell-coupled DTL



PI-mode Structure

# Path towards industrialisation



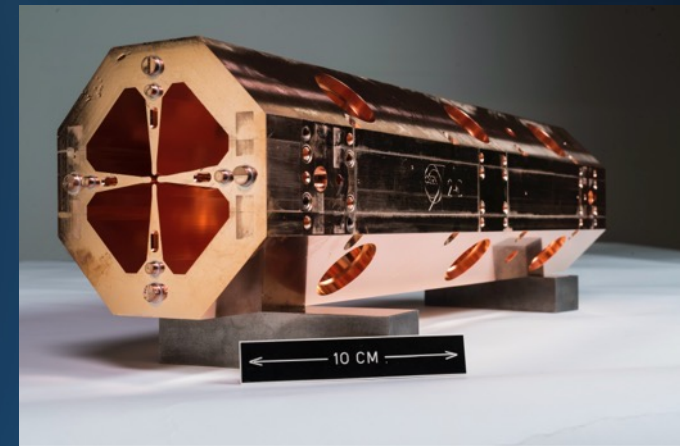
## 1990 – LINAC2 RFQ2

200 MHz  
0.5 MeV /m  
Weight : 900kg/m  
Ext. diametre : ~45 cm  
Beam current: 200 mA



## 2007 – LINAC4 RFQ

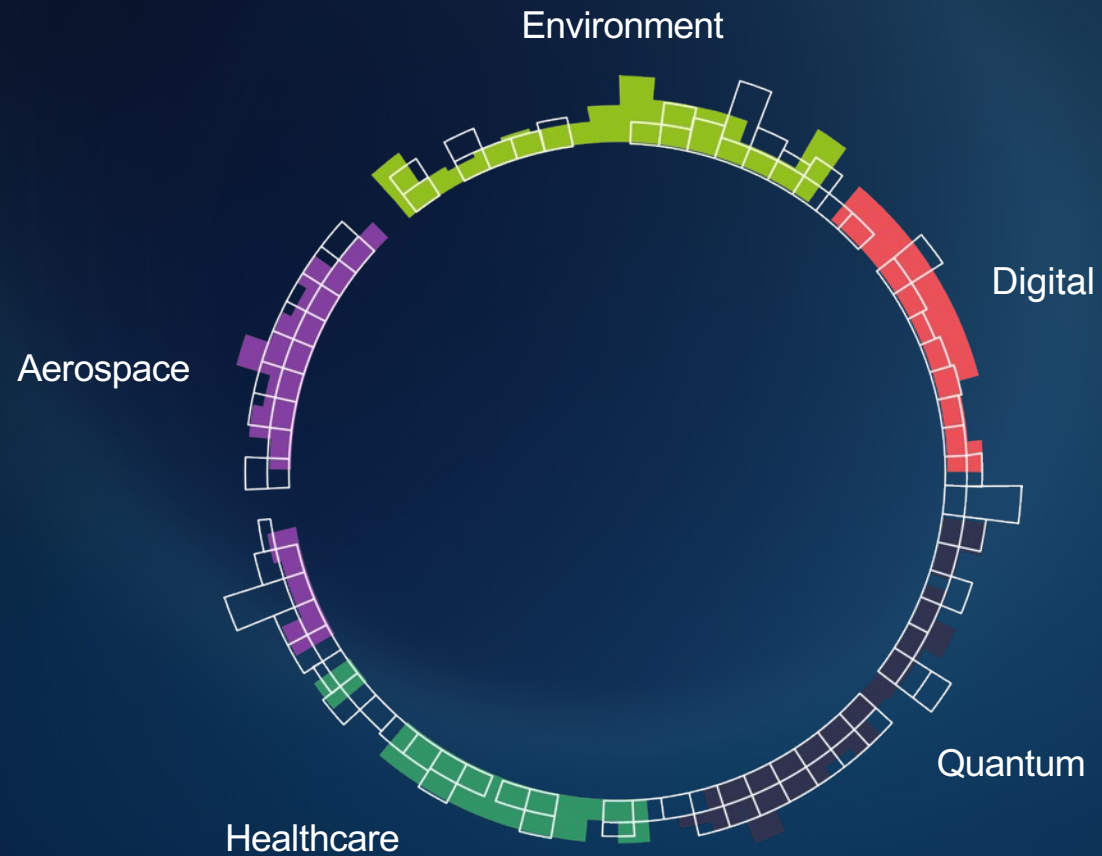
352 MHz  
1MeV/m  
Weight : 400kg/m  
Ext. diametre : 29 cm  
Beam current : 80 mA



## 2014 – HF RFQ

750MHz  
2.5MeV/m  
Weight : 100 kg/m  
Ext. diametre : 13 cm  
Beam current : 0.1 mA

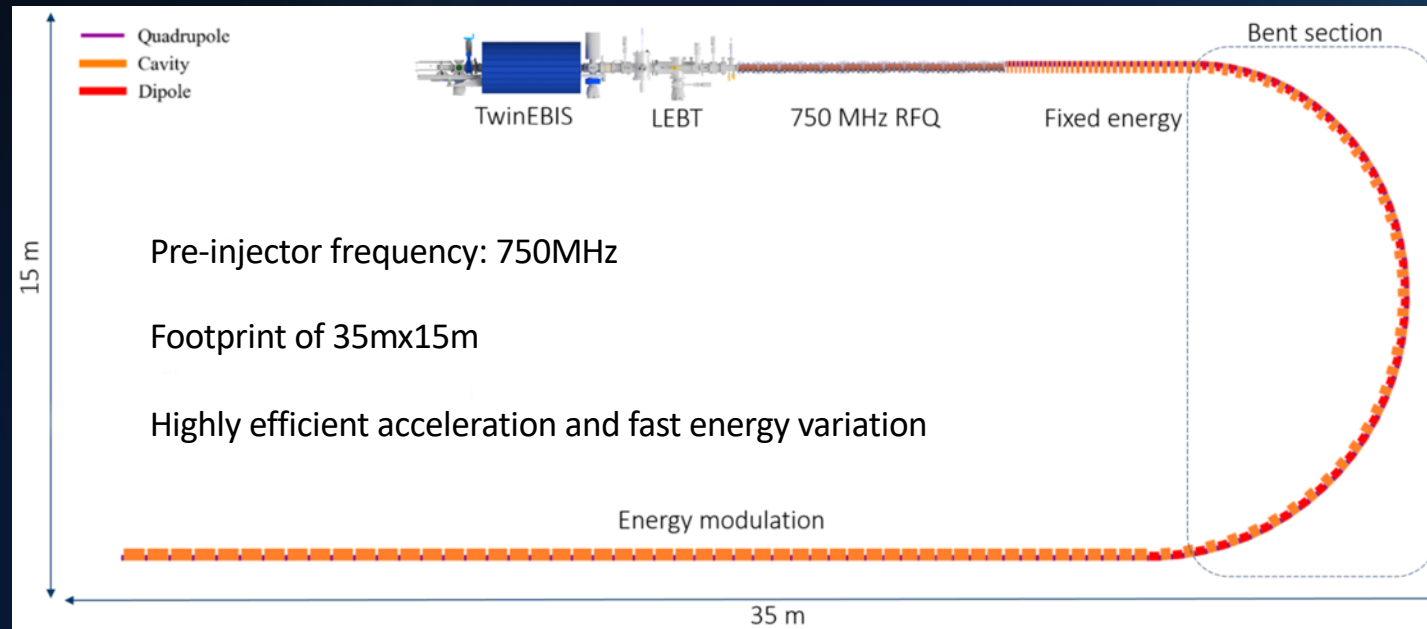
# Application of low-energy accelerators



# NEXT challenge: accelerate Carbon in a LINAC

## Bent LINAC

Interlaced cavity-dipole scheme

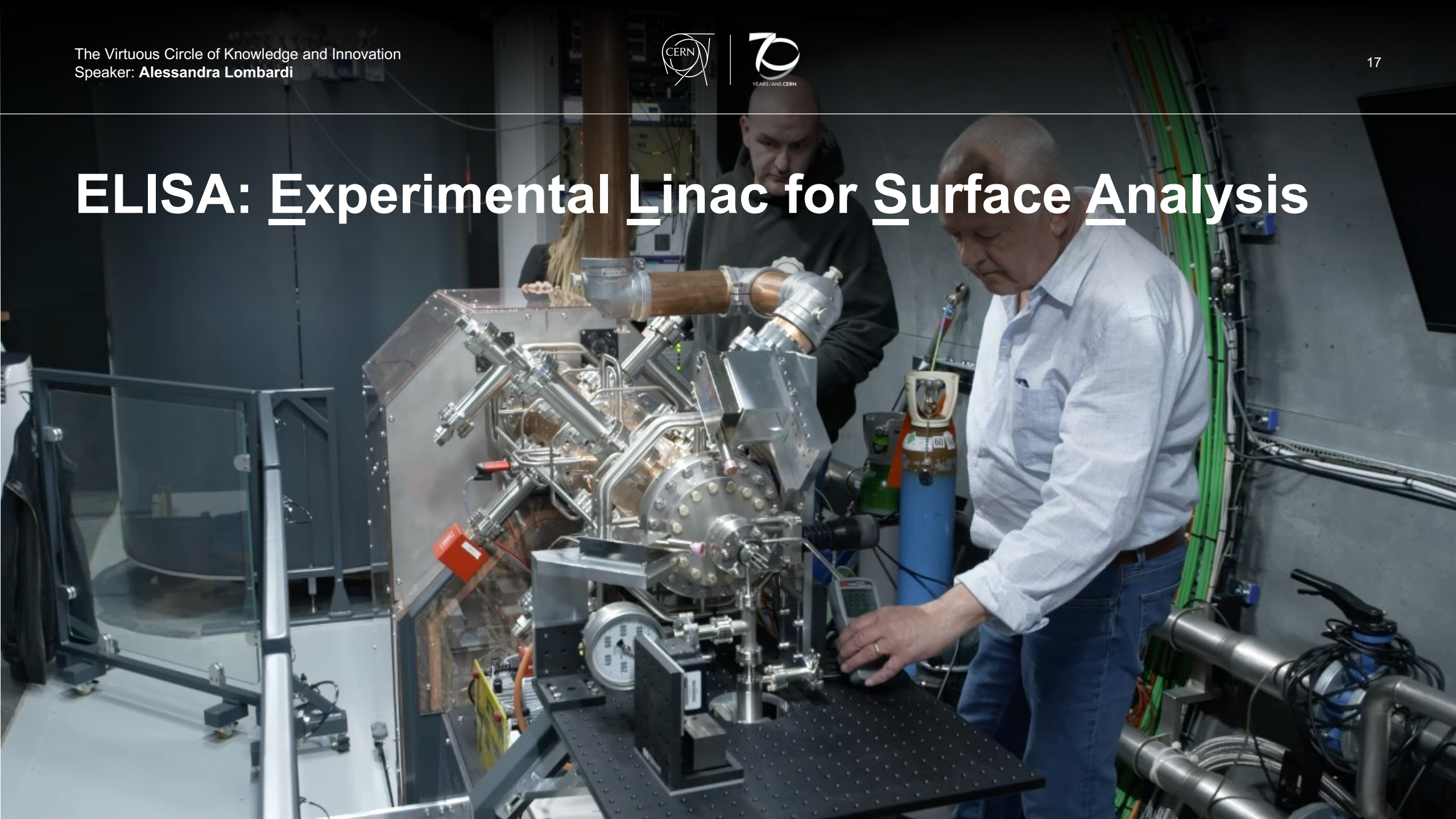


# MACHINA: accelerating art diagnostics





# ELISA: Experimental Linac for Surface AnalIsis



# Superconductivity

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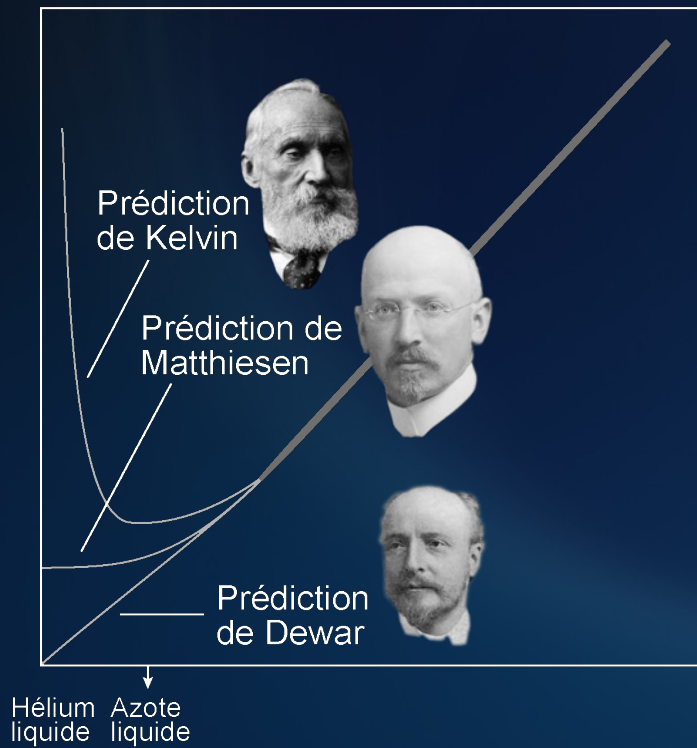
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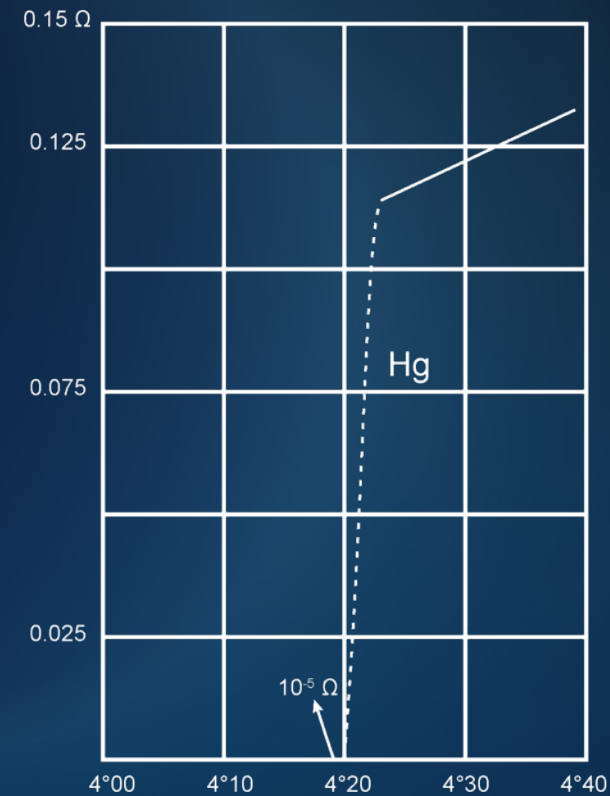


# The cold war

Predictions of the XIX century

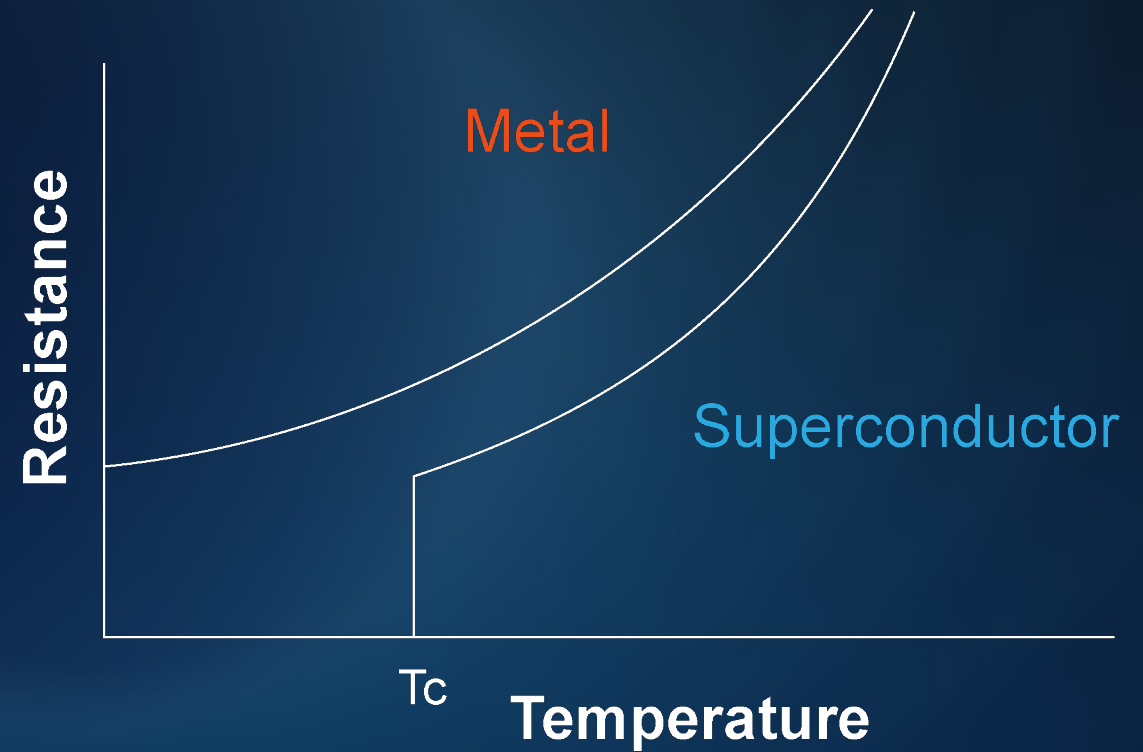


Onnes, 1911, original plot



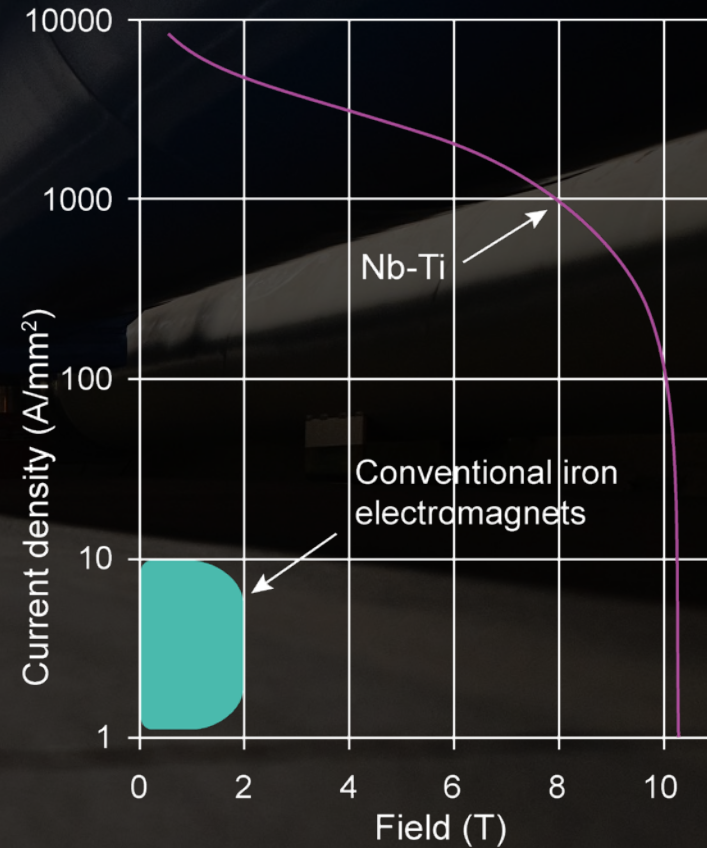
**4.2 K = - 268.95°C**  
**Liquid helium**

# Superconductivity

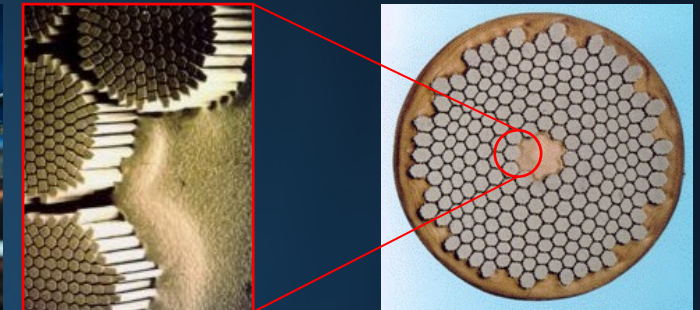
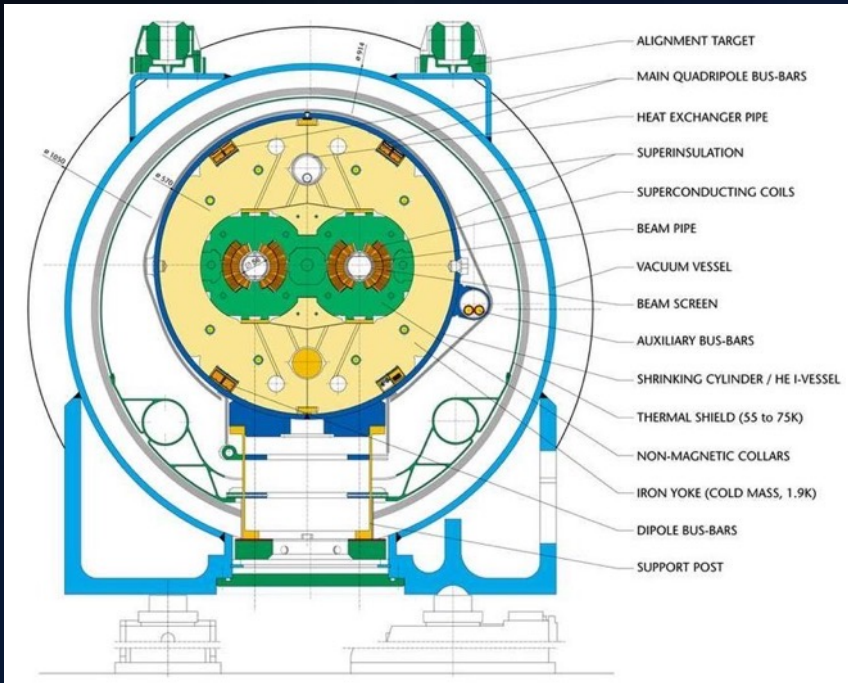


# Superconductivity for Colliders

- Abolished Ohm's Law
  - No power consumption (although refrigeration power)
  - High current density
- Consequences
  - Energy savings
  - Smaller, lighter magnets
  - High magnetic fields feasible →
  - new research possibilities

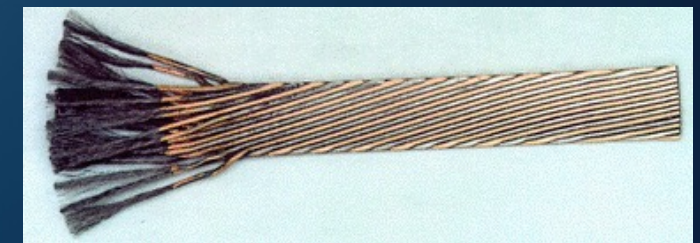


# The Large Hadron Collider Magnets



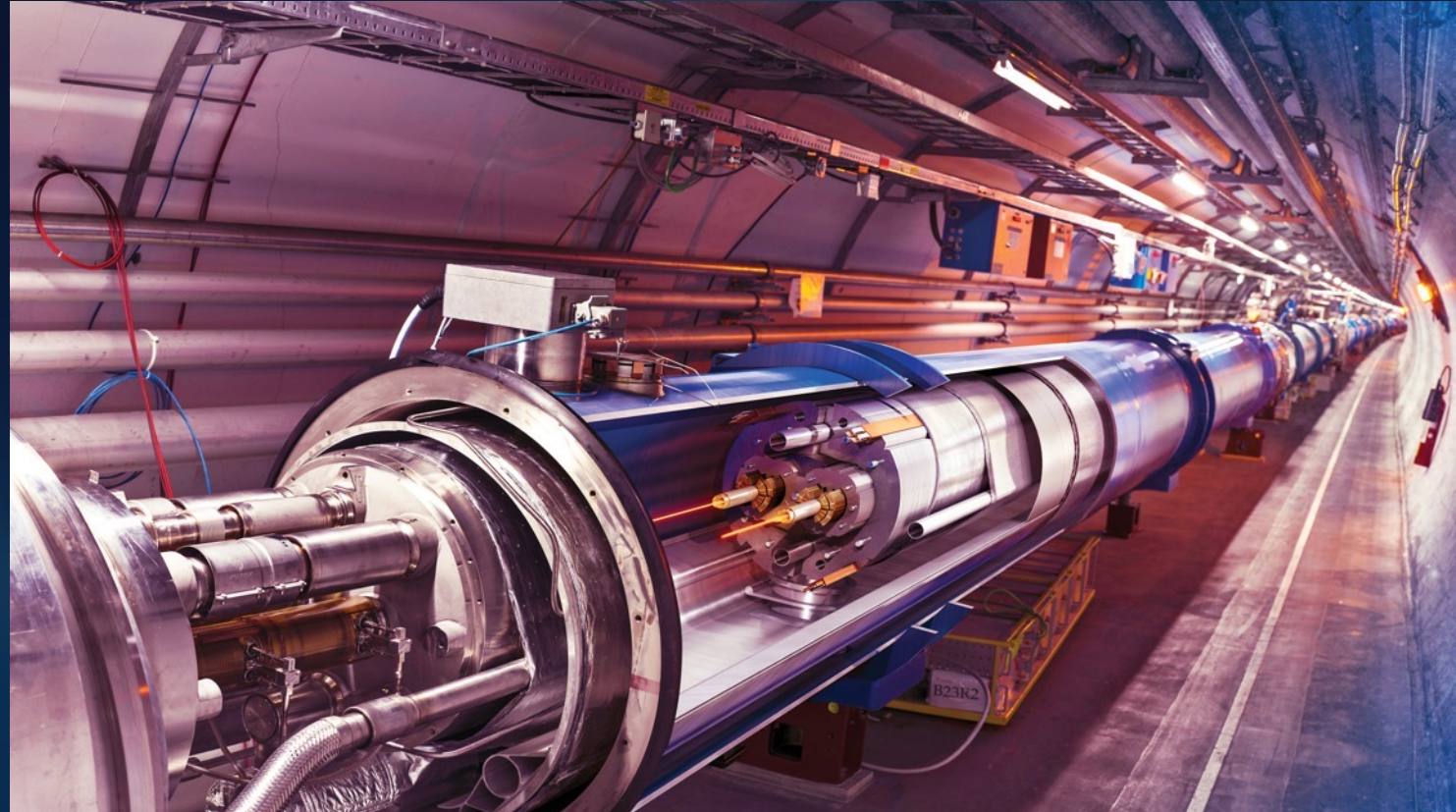
$I_c(5T, 4.2 K) \sim 1000 A$

LHC Nb-Ti Cable



$I_c(10T, 1.9 K) \sim 13000 A$

# Giant dipole electromagnets - 15 m long - 30 tons



# Superconductivity in the LHC

~ 10000 superconducting magnets

~ 1.5 Million Ampere

30 tons of superfluid helium

superfluid helium at 1.9 K (- 271.3 °C)

1200 tons/7600 km of Nb-Ti cables



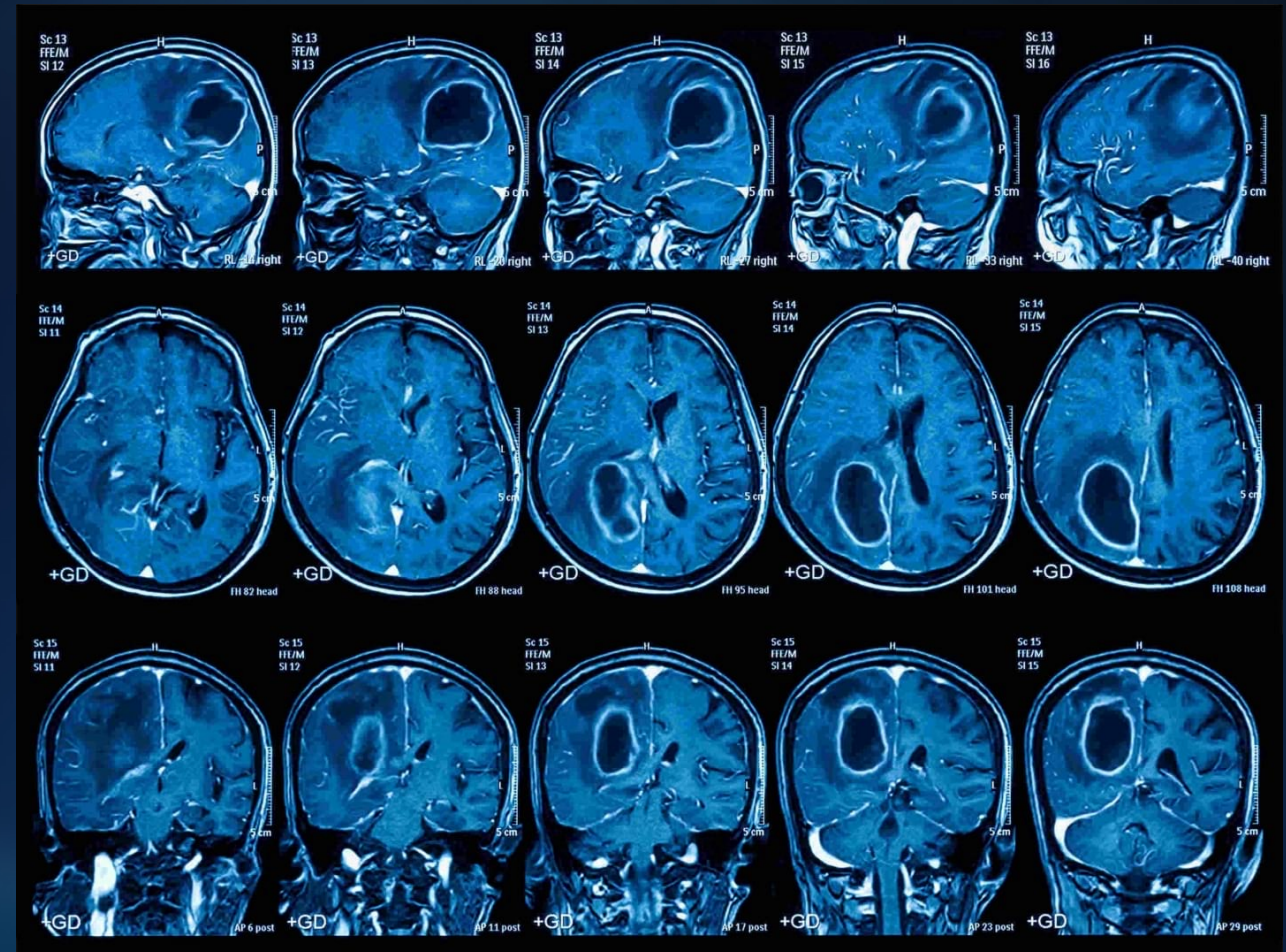


# MRI Magnets

Superconducting magnets in MRI:  
Non-invasive 3D anatomical imaging

MRI industry consumes ~4000 tons of Nb-Ti annually

Over 50,000 MRI scanners worldwide



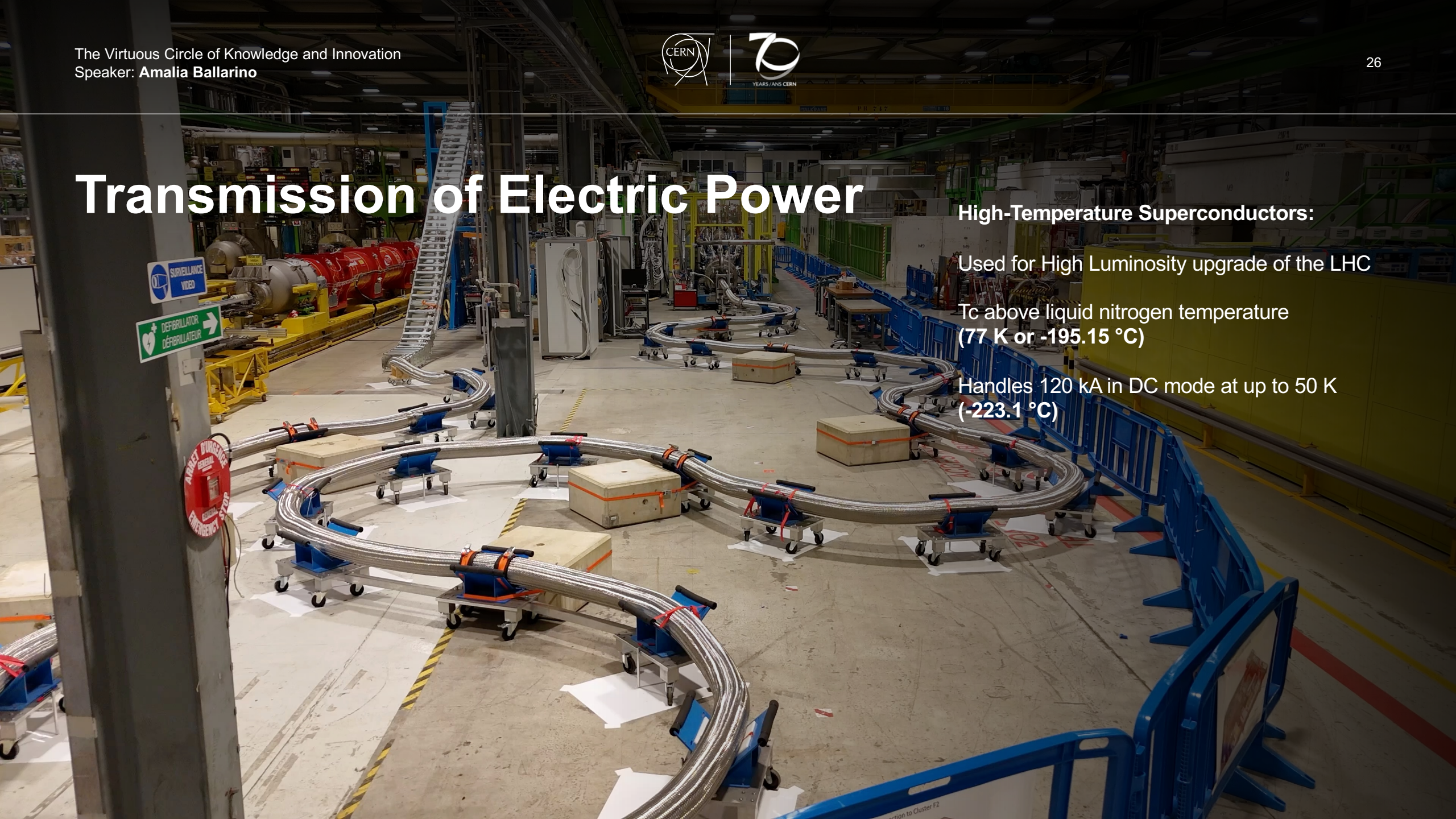
# Transmission of Electric Power

High-Temperature Superconductors:

Used for High Luminosity upgrade of the LHC

$T_c$  above liquid nitrogen temperature  
(77 K or  $-195.15\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )

Handles 120 kA in DC mode at up to 50 K  
( $-223.1\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )



# Superconducting Technology for future low-emission aeroplanes



# Superconductivity – “accelerated” developments in Power Applications

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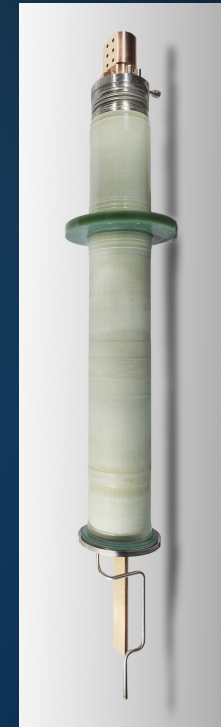
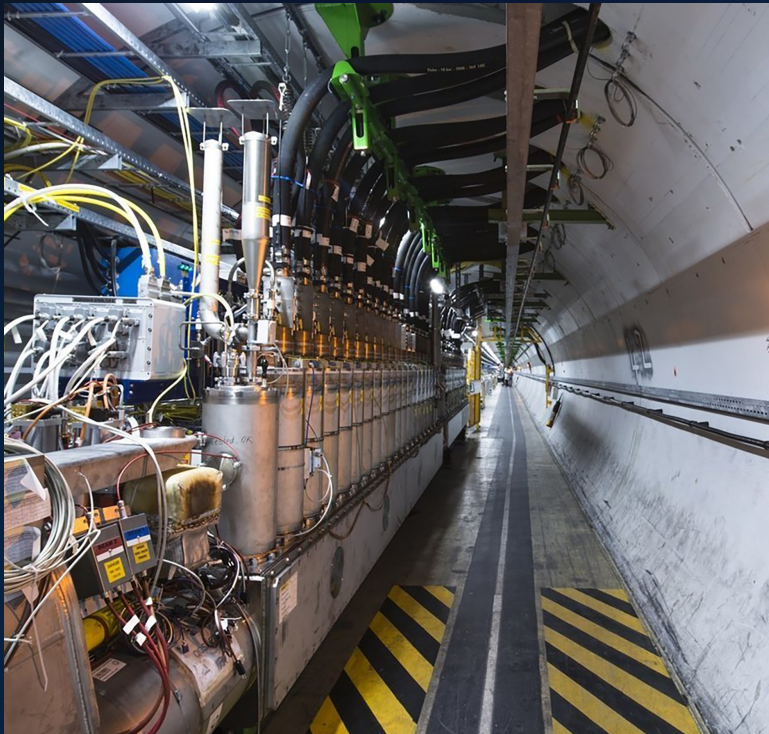
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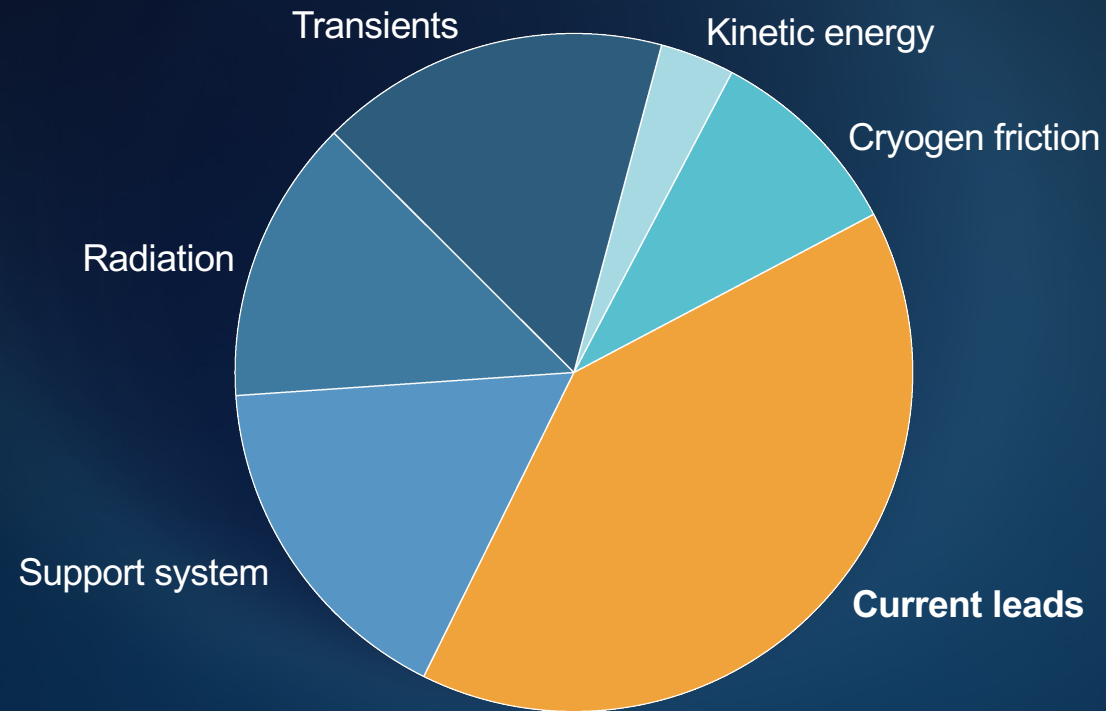




# Current leads from the LHC to Fusion And other applications



# Heat loads – (in rotating machines)



**Current leads are the major heat loads!**

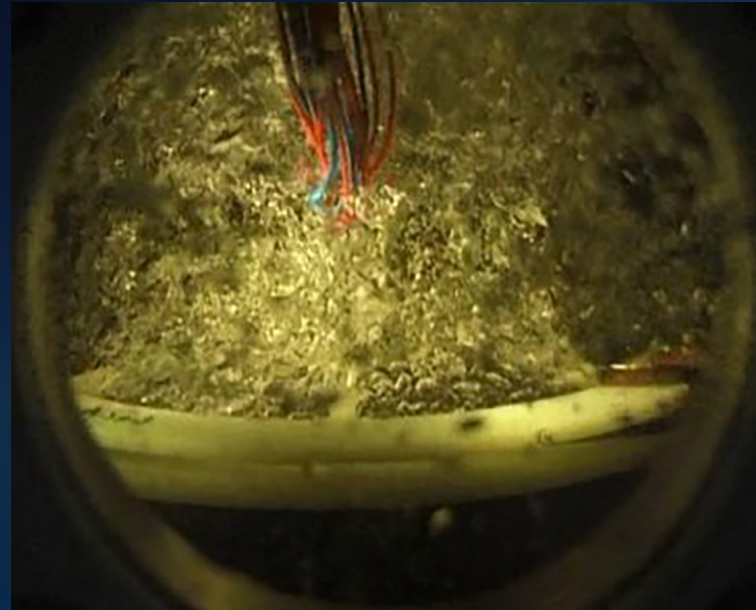




# Fault current limiters



Stadtwerke Augsburg,  
Siemens

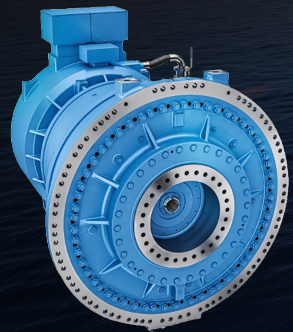
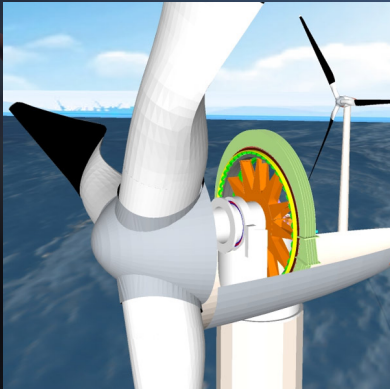


AmSC 2G-wire tested at Siemens

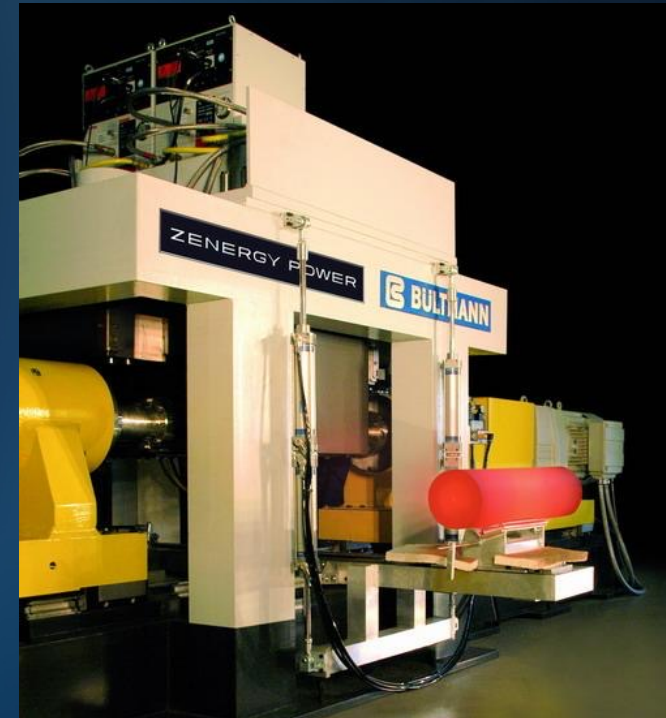


AmSC, Nexans, Siemens

# Windpower Generators



# Magnetic Billet Heaters

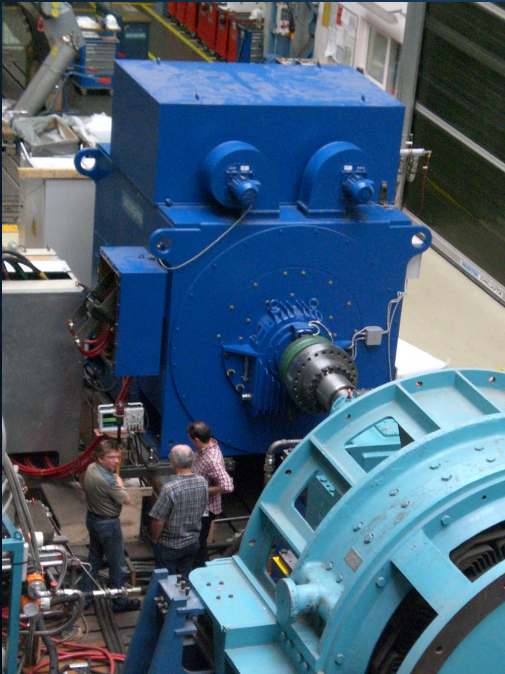


Zenergy, Bültmann

# Transformer



# Electric ships



Siemens



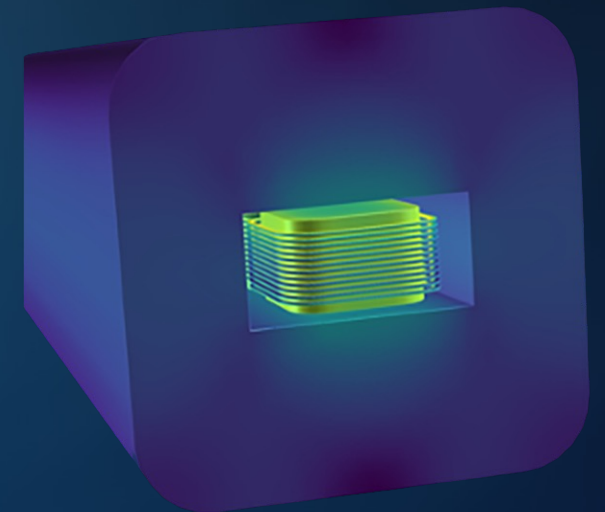
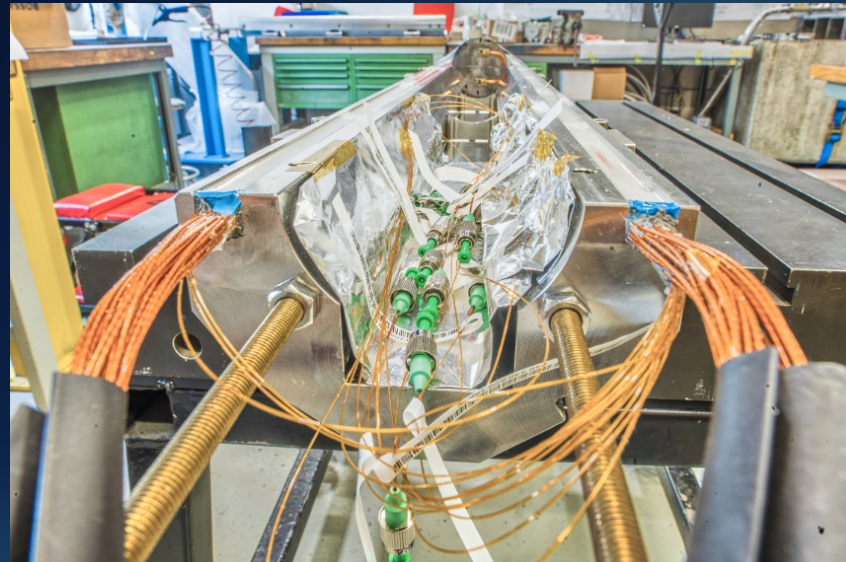
# ETruck



# Levitation & Transportation



# The SHiP experiment





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# Session 2

# Particle Detectors

# Sensing the Invisible

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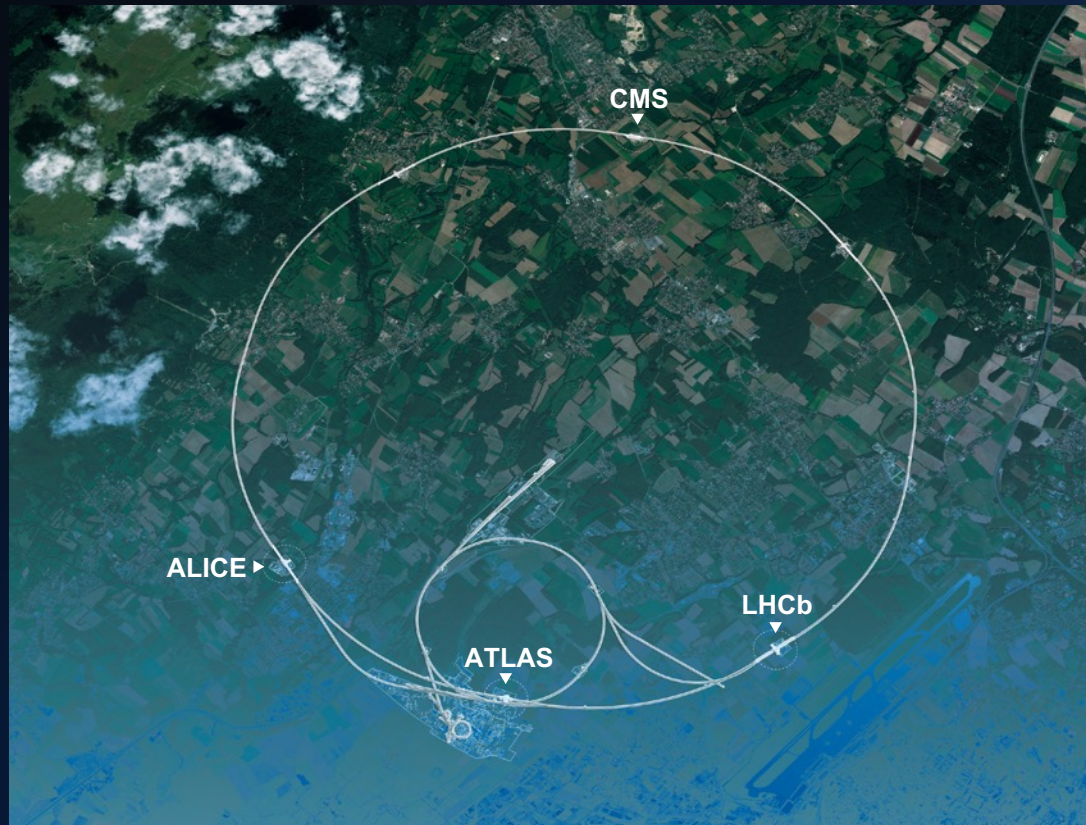
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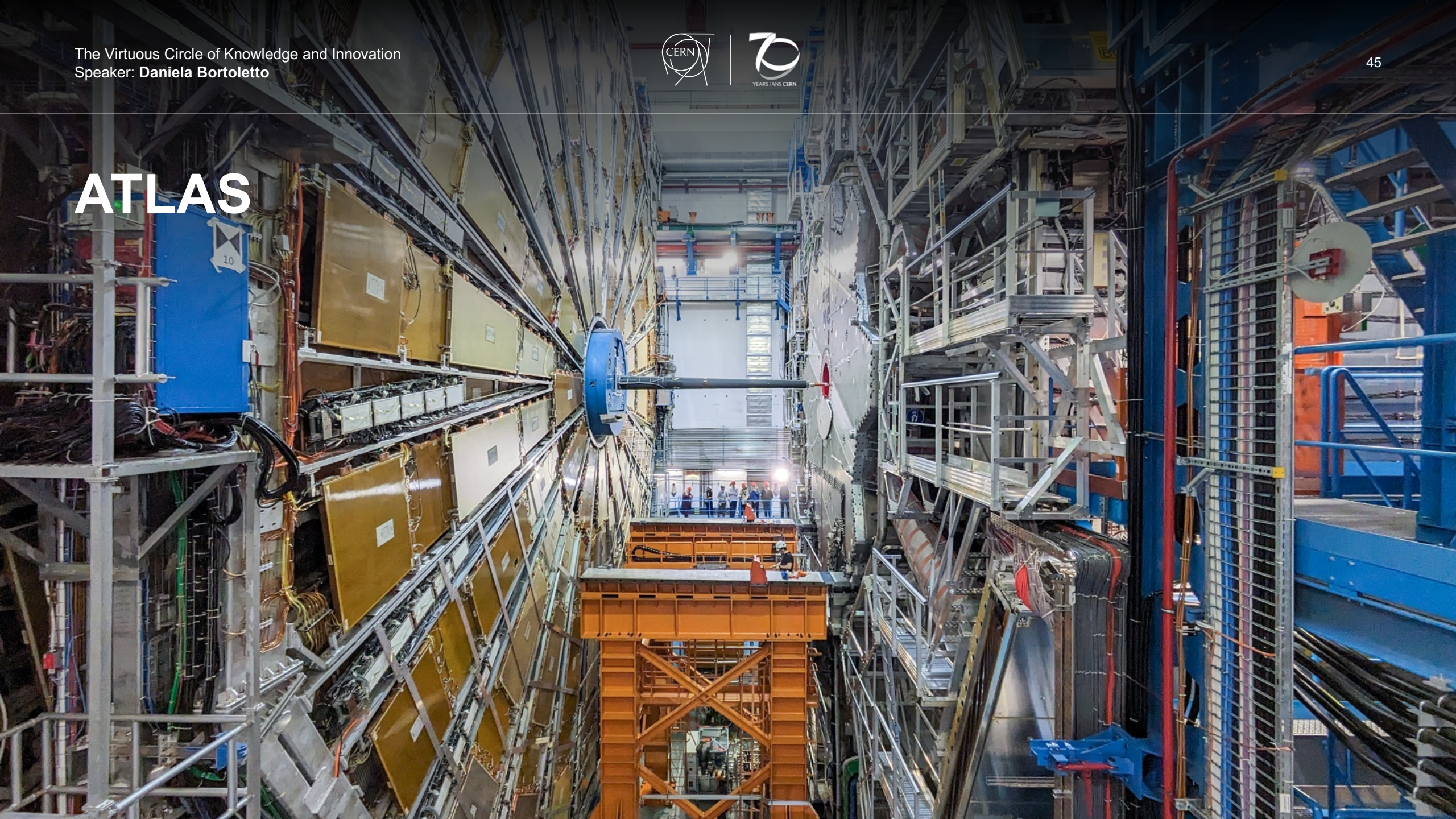
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CMS

ALICE

LHCb

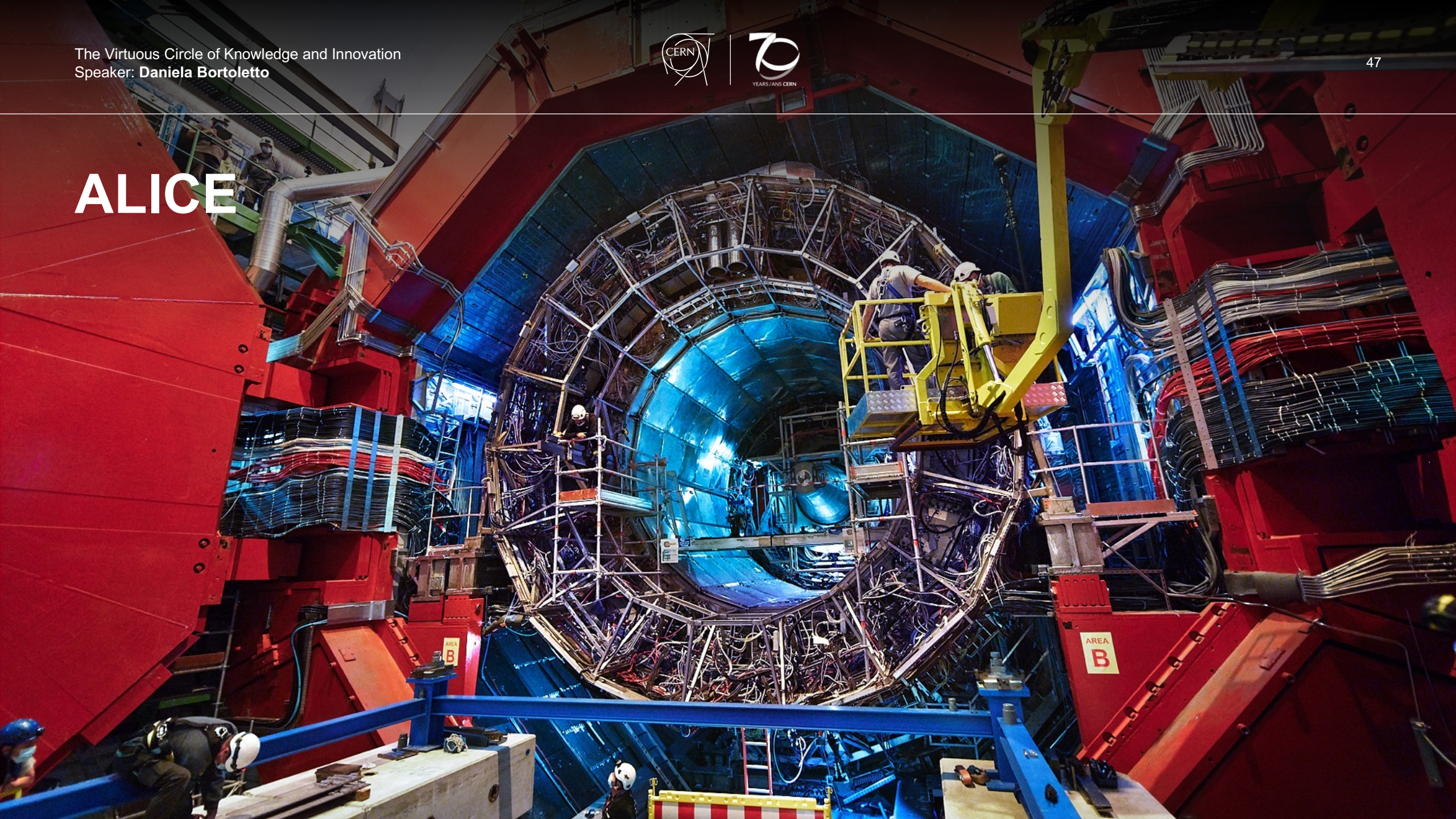
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# ALICE



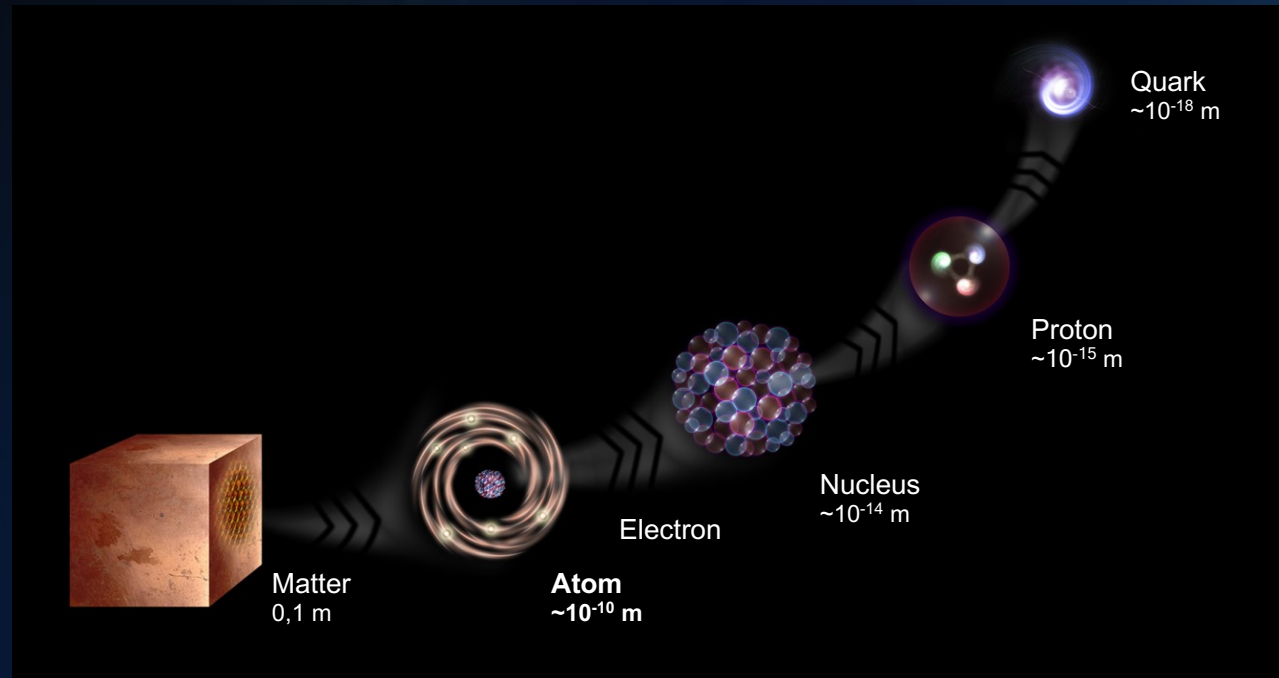
# LHCb





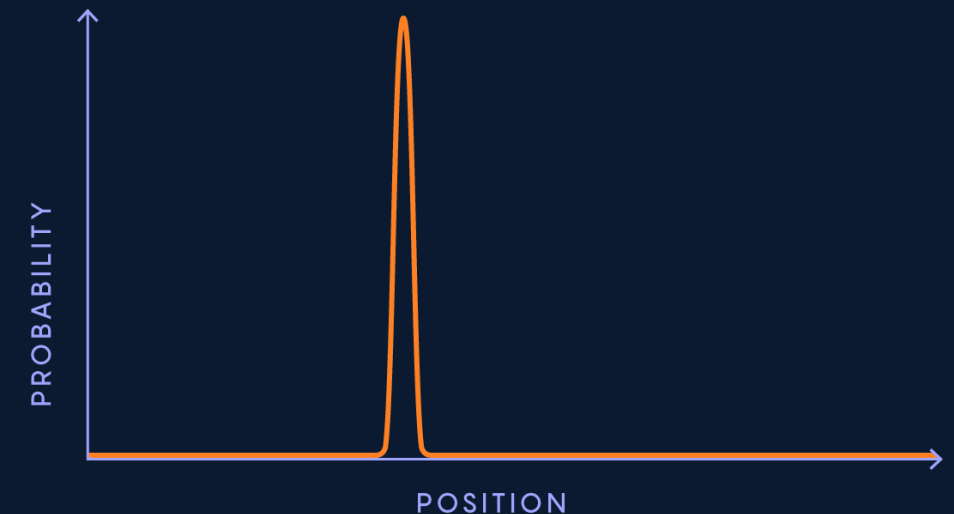
# Elementary Particles

Subatomic particles that are not composed by other particles



a quantum excitation of a field

Wave Function: **Collapsed**



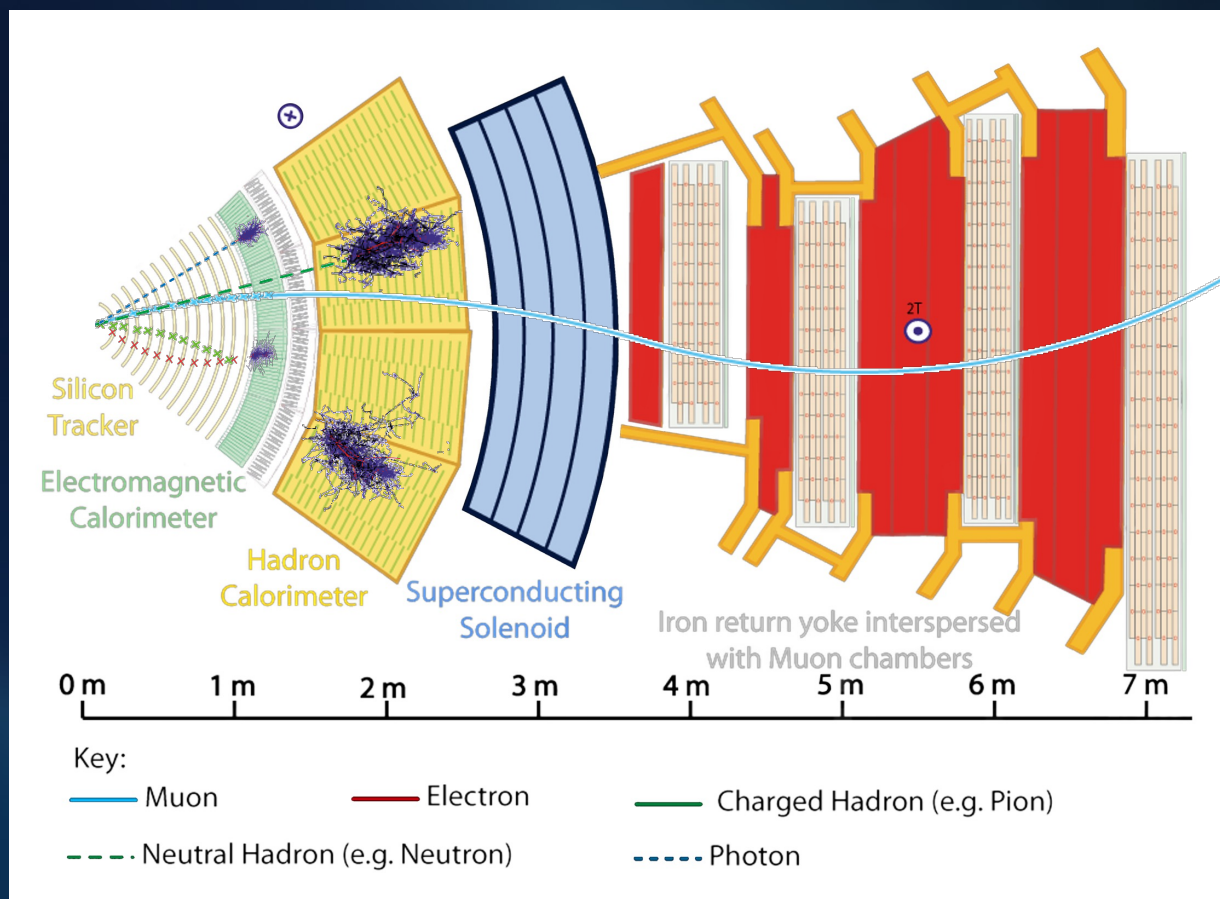
Elementary particles: quarks and electrons  $< 10^{-18}$  m = 0.000000000000000001

# How do we “see” particles?

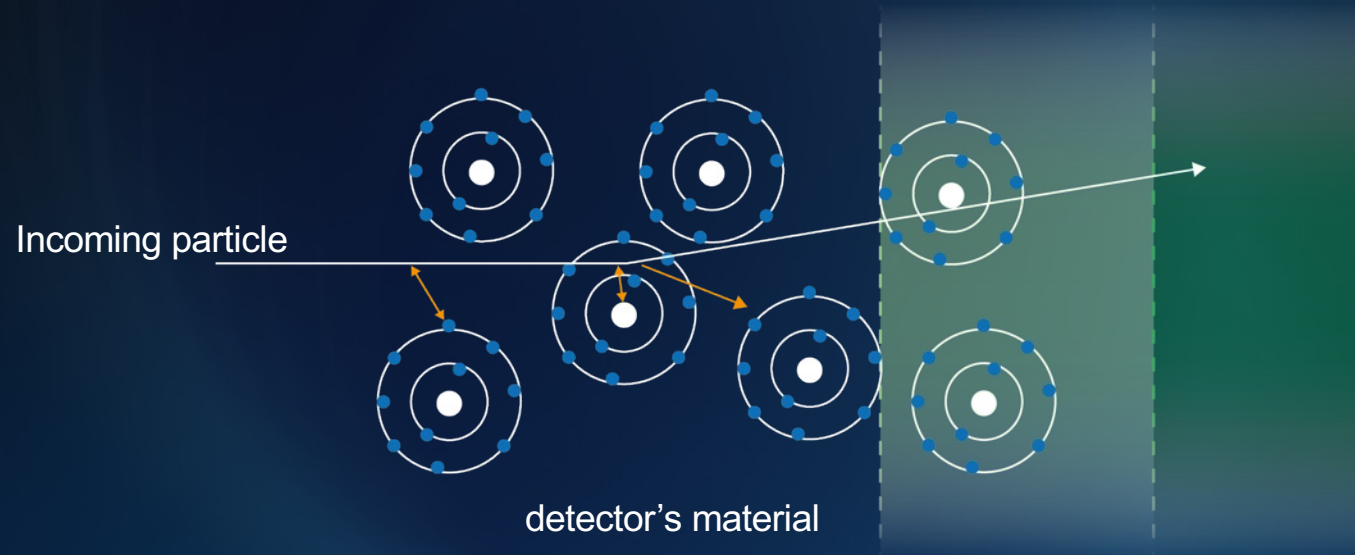
“footprint” often in the form of a charge signal or light

“stable particles”  
(decay length > few cm)

electrons, muons, protons,  
neutrons, pions, kaons



# Interaction of particles with the detector



Interaction with the atomic electrons  
atoms are excited or ionized

Interaction with the atomic nucleus  
Bremsstrahlung photons

If particle's velocity  $>$  velocity of light  
in the medium Cherenkov Radiation

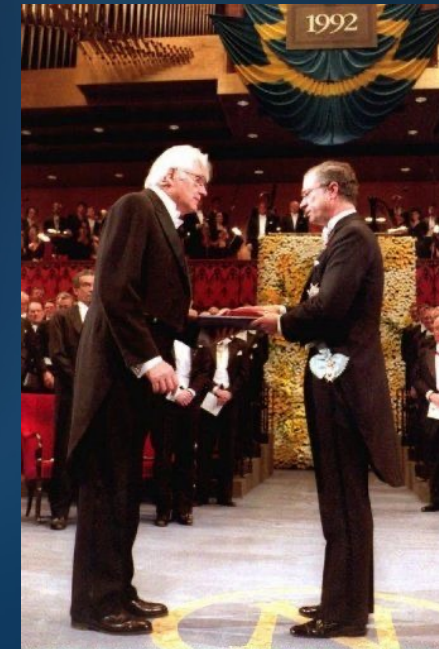
When particle crosses the boundary  
between two media Transition radiation

# Georges Charpak: Revolutionizing particle detection

from “visual detectors” to “electronic detectors”



1971-1972 – Large-size Multiwire Proportional Chamber



1992 Nobel award ceremony

# Multiwire Proportional Chambers: a transformative innovation

Medical imaging and healthcare

Security and inspection

Material science and archaeology

Environmental monitoring

Industrial applications



# The silicon revolution and discoveries

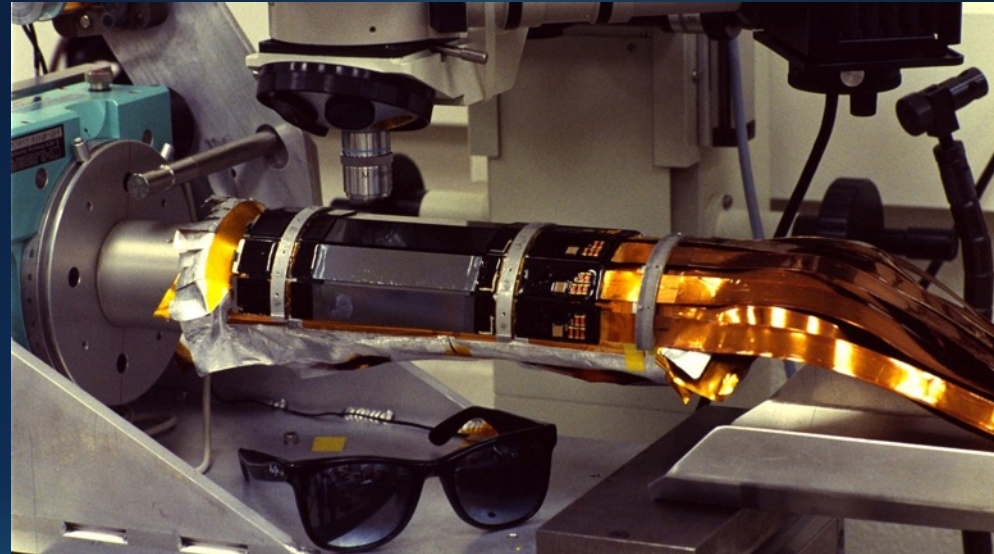
1980 - search for particles with charm and beauty quarks (decay length  $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$ )

Silicon technology for microelectronics



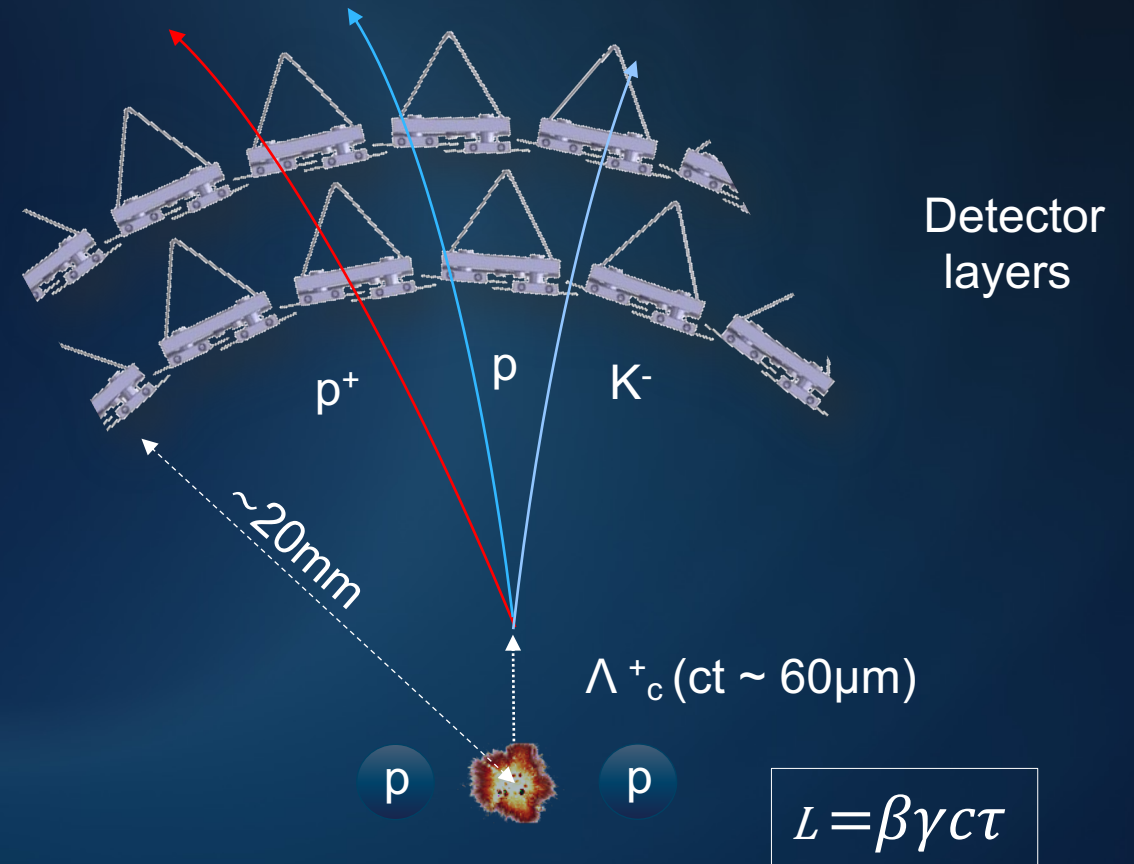
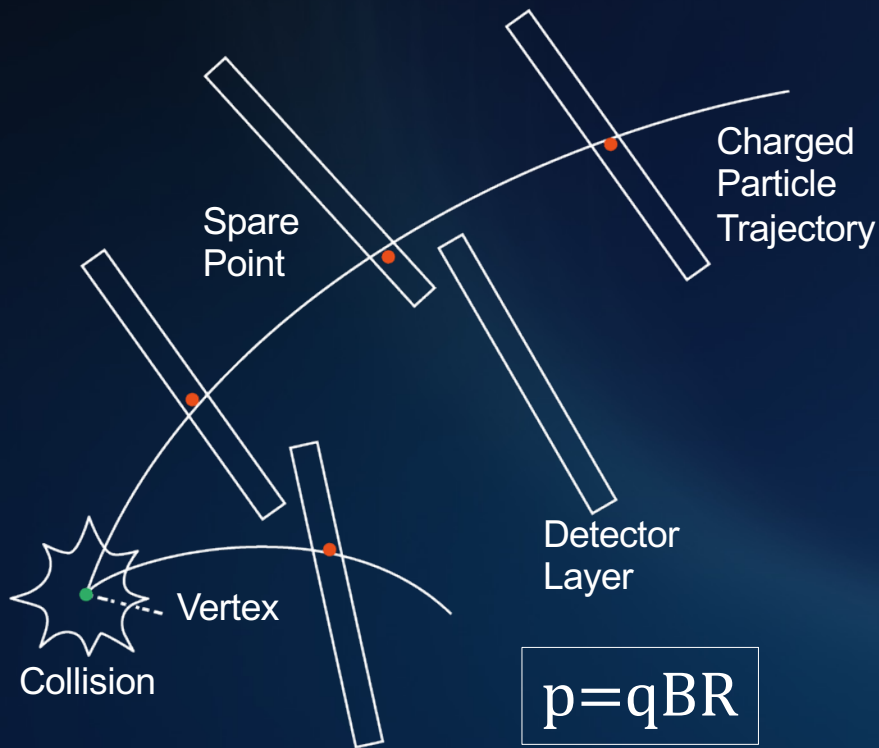
**Kemmer 1979, KETEK**  
from electronics to detector fabrication

NA11- NA32: measurements of Lifetimes of particles containing c-quarks  
MARK II: measurement of charm, tau, and b-lifetime



# Silicon trackers at the heart of all LHC experiments

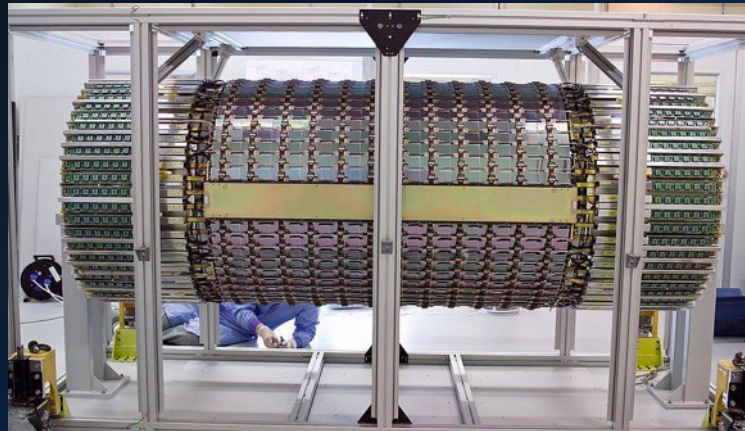
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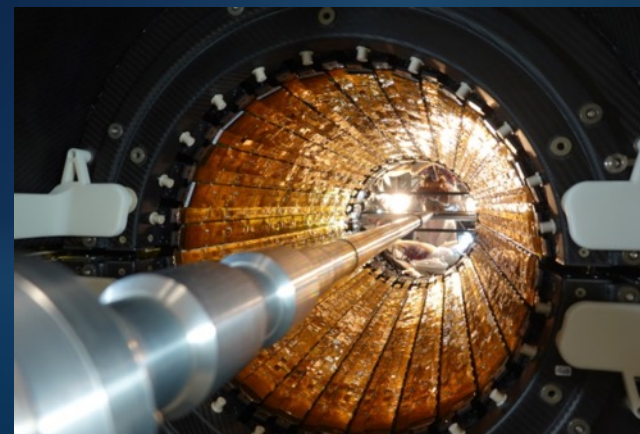
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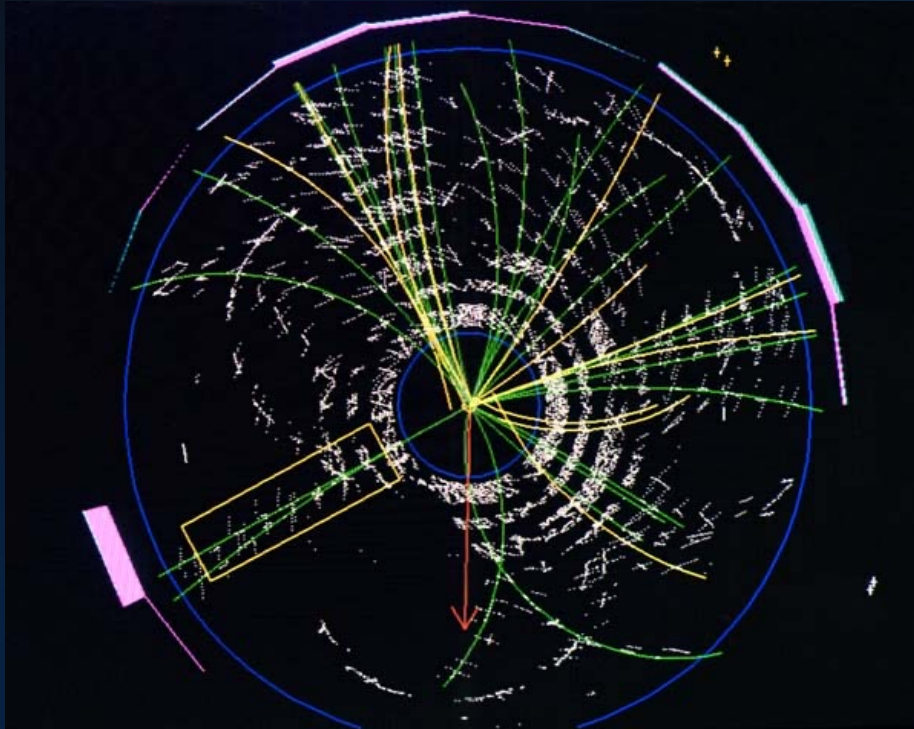


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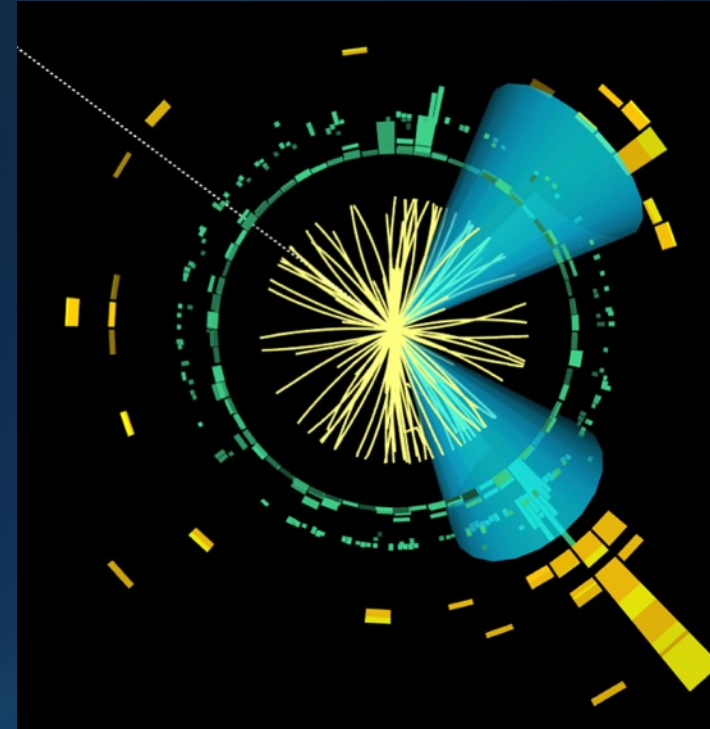




# Silicon detectors discovery enablers

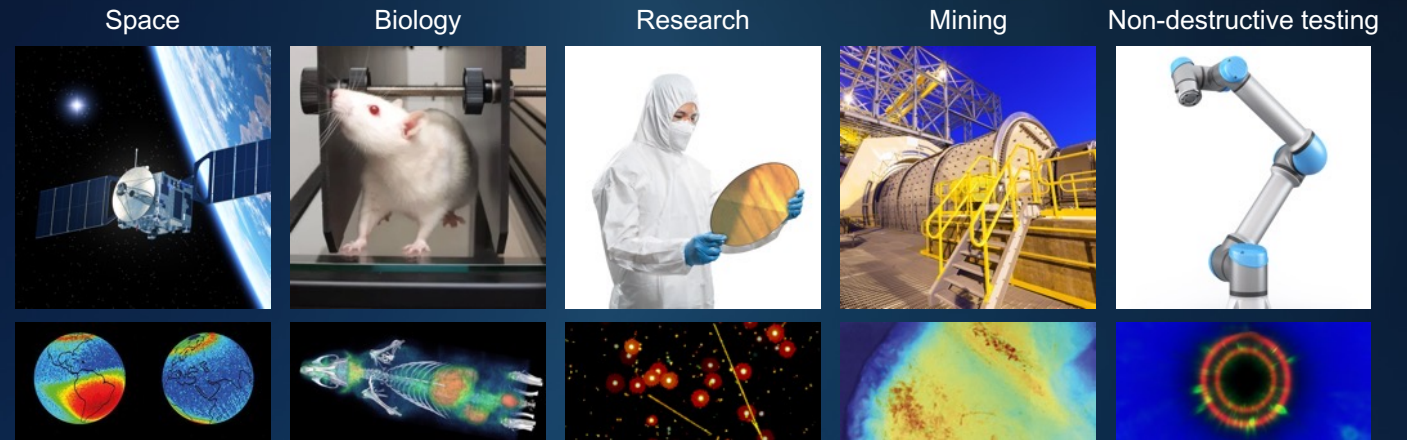
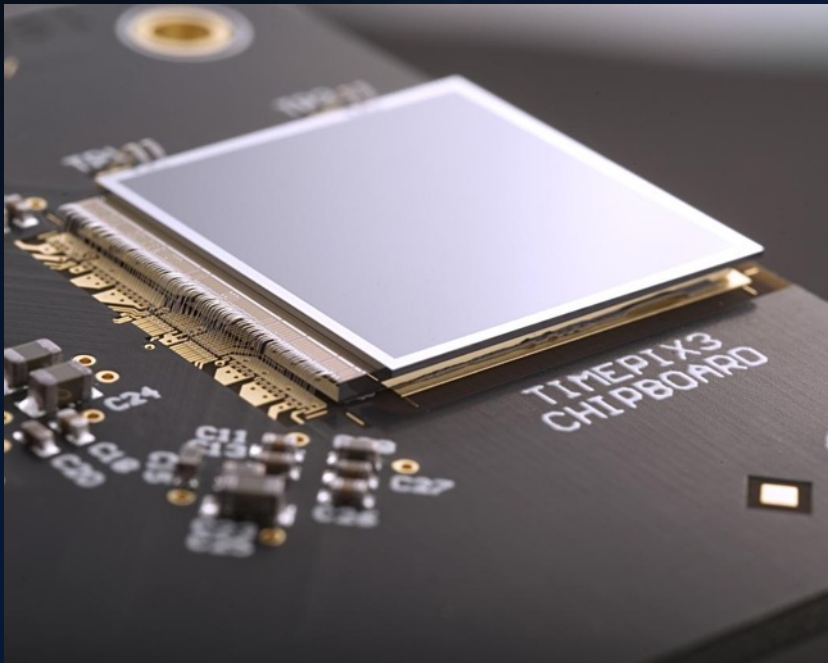


1995 - Top quark ( $t \rightarrow Wb$ ) discovery  
**Tevatron**



2018 - Discovery of  $H \rightarrow bb$  at the LHC

# From particle physics to technology and back



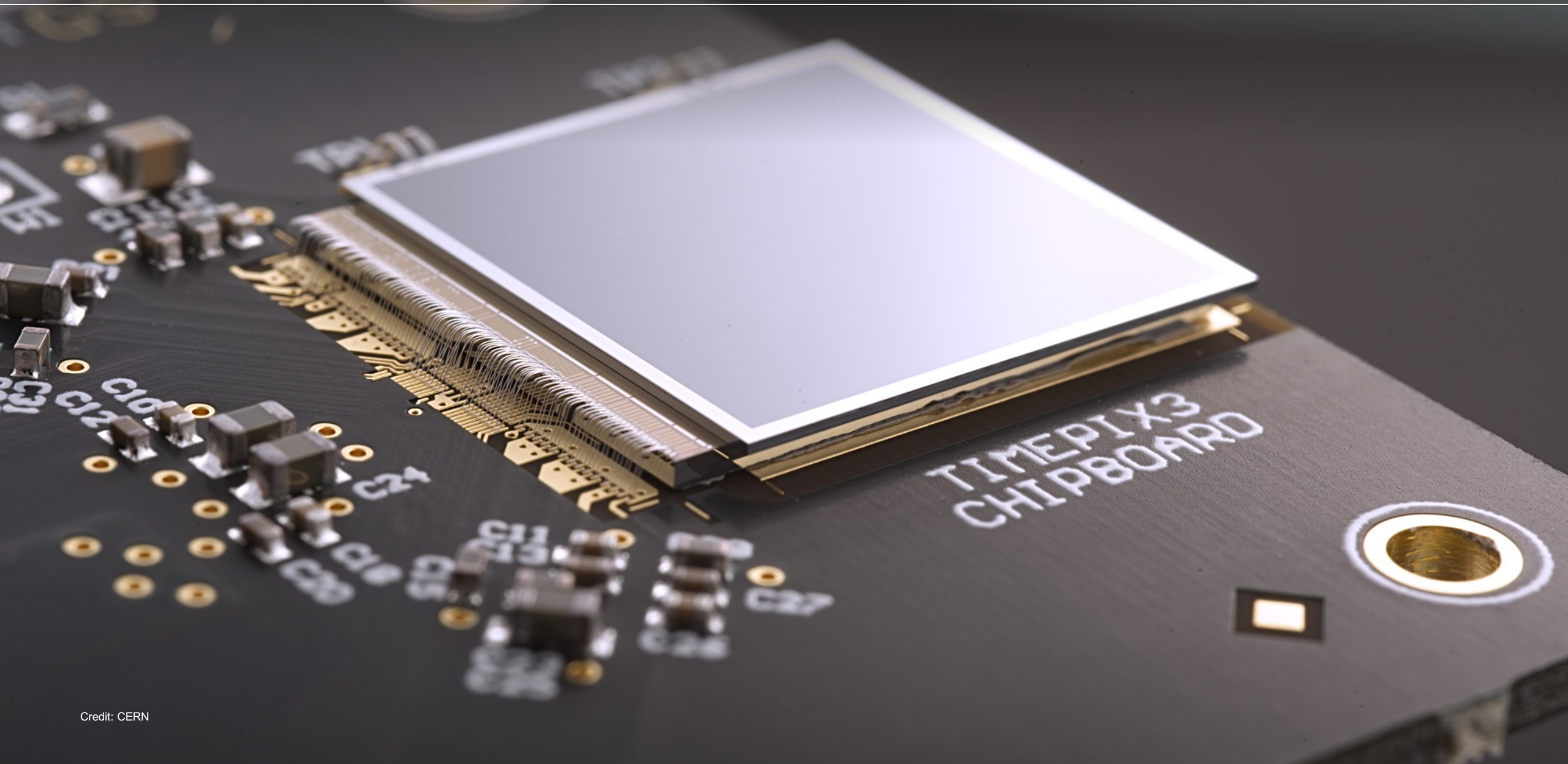
# Advanced particle accelerators and their surprising applications to society

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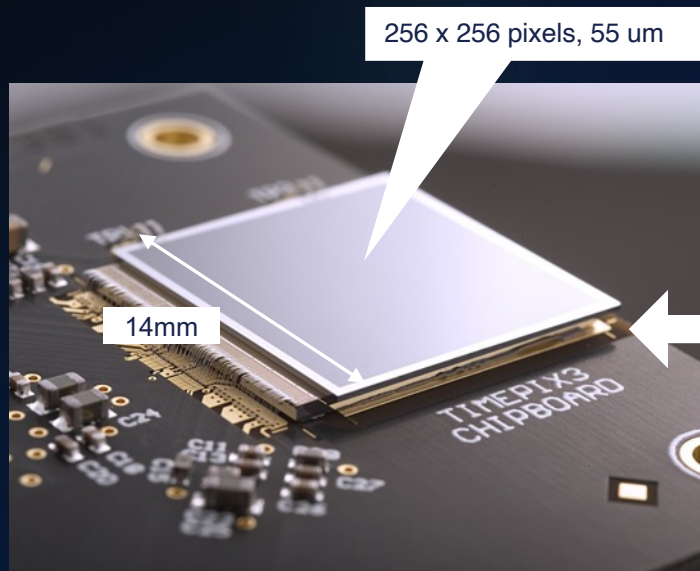
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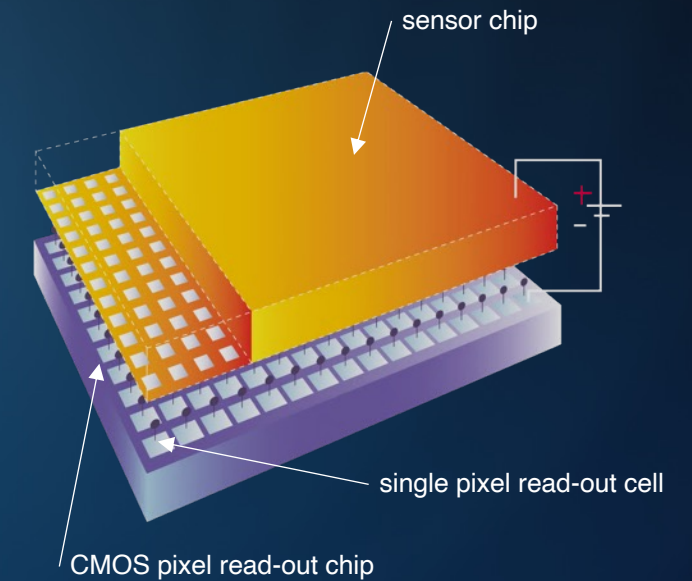
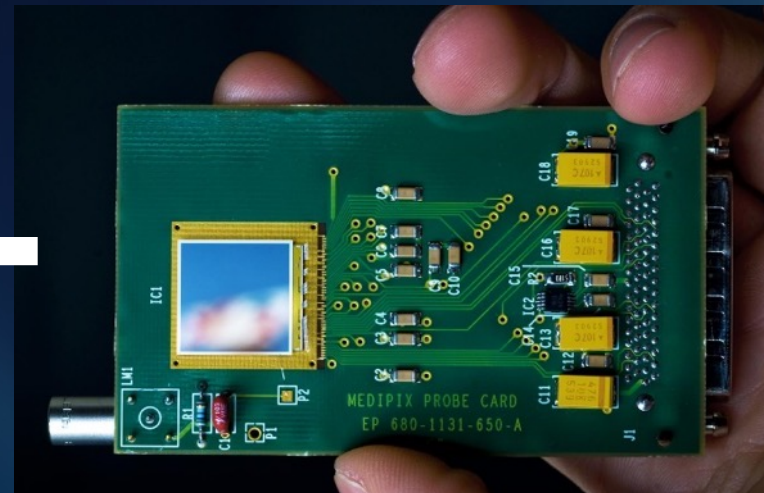




# Each ionizing particle is visible!

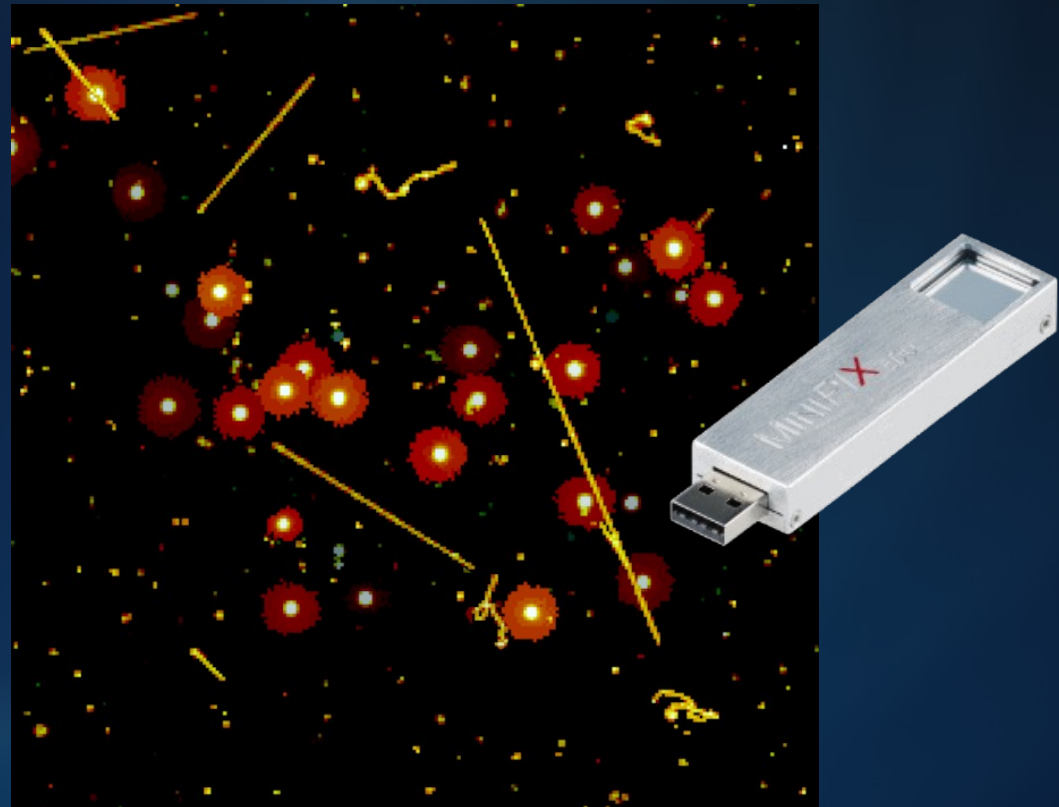


Read-out ASIC chip Timepix3



# On-line visualization of ionizing radiation

- **Each particle** type observed as **typical pattern**
- Each pixel records digitally:
  - The deposited energy
  - the number of hits or time of first interaction.



Natural radiation background in the office

# MiniPIX EDU in classrooms

MiniPIX EDU for Education, physics teaching and basic radiation experiments.



# The face mask test

Use MiniPIX detector



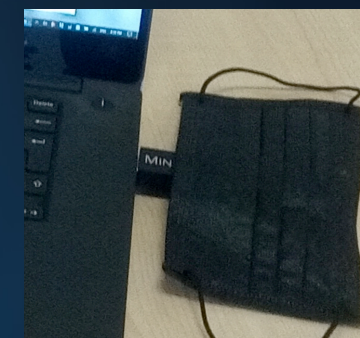
1. Measure unused mask



2. Use it for 5 min



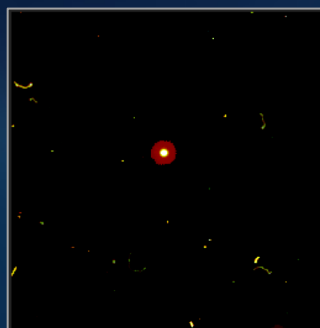
3. Measure used mask



## Why?

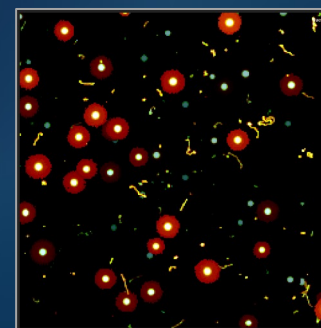
- Radon decay products are ionized
- They stick to dust and aerosols
- Mask filters them out greatly
- **Exhaled air is filtered in lungs!**

Unused mask



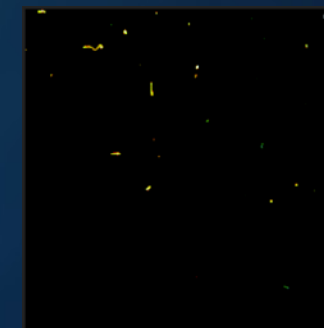
Just very small activity observed

Used mask



Huge increase

Exhaling only



Low activity: Rest stays in lungs !!!



# Technology applications

Space



Biology



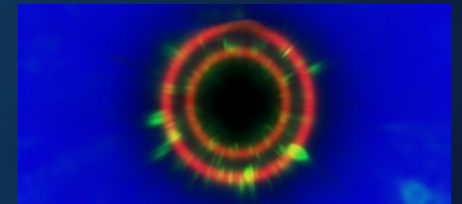
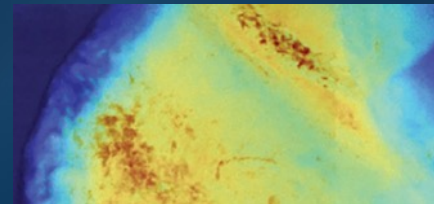
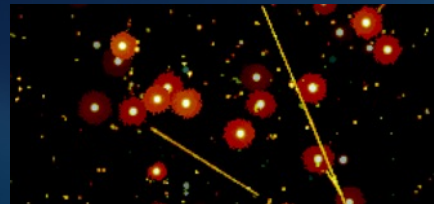
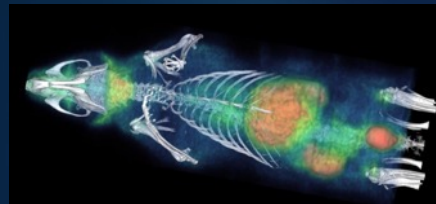
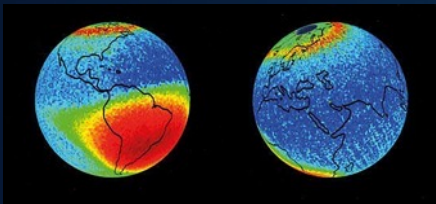
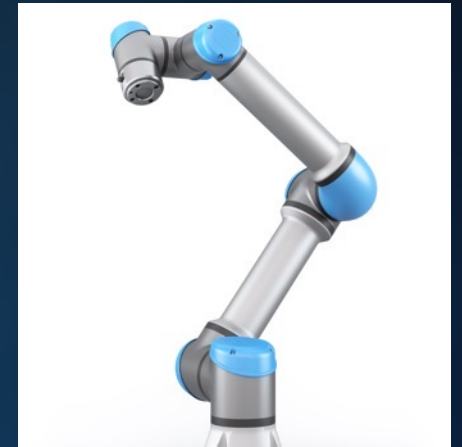
Research



Mining

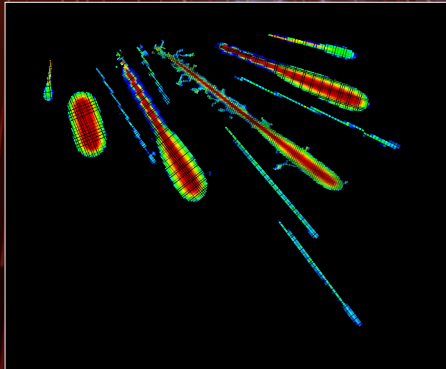


Non-destructive testing





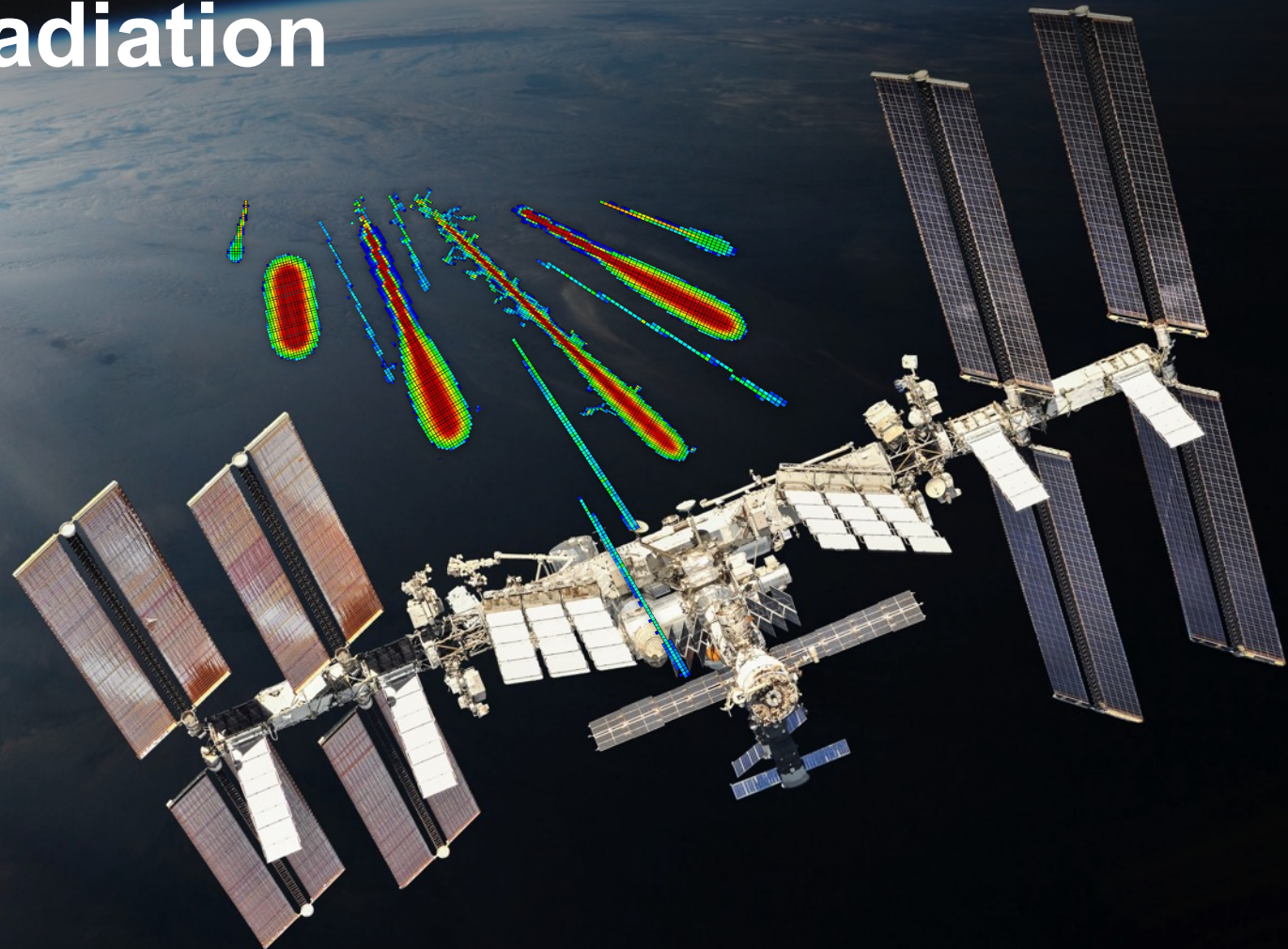
# Cosmic radiation presents a risk to biological and electronic systems



Timepix detector visualizes and recognizes each particle of cosmic radiation



# Monitor Space Radiation



# Radiation detection on Earth



Drones equipped with Minipix Timepix 3 Compton cameras

# Radiation detection on Earth




# Medical X-ray Imaging

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Technology & Innovation, Siemens Healthineers





## 7th Workshop on Medical Applications of Spectroscopic X-ray Detectors

15–18 Apr 2024  
CERN  
Europe/Zurich timezone





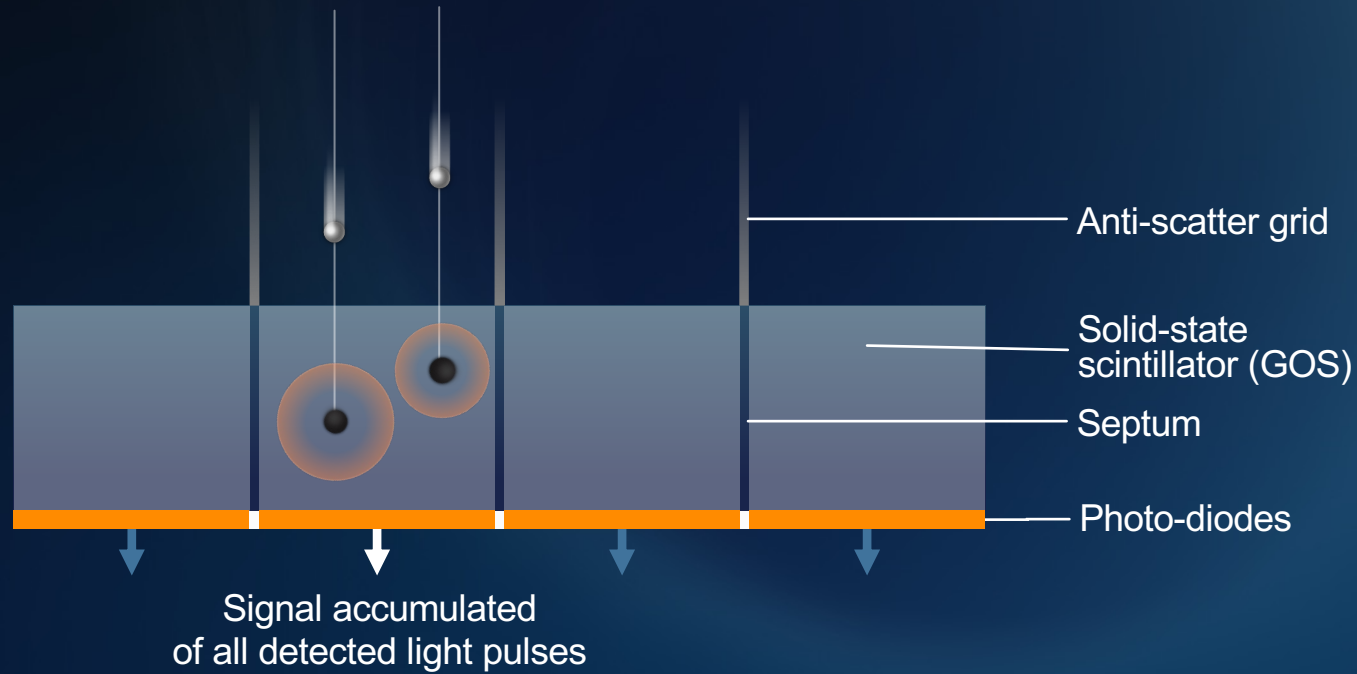


"I am convinced, that institutions like CERN play an important role for continuous innovations in medical imaging.

Communities like the Medipix Collaboration and the SpecXray Workshop are essential instruments of our society, connecting and affirming researchers in academia and industry during the maturation and commercialization processes of disruptive detector technologies for medicine."

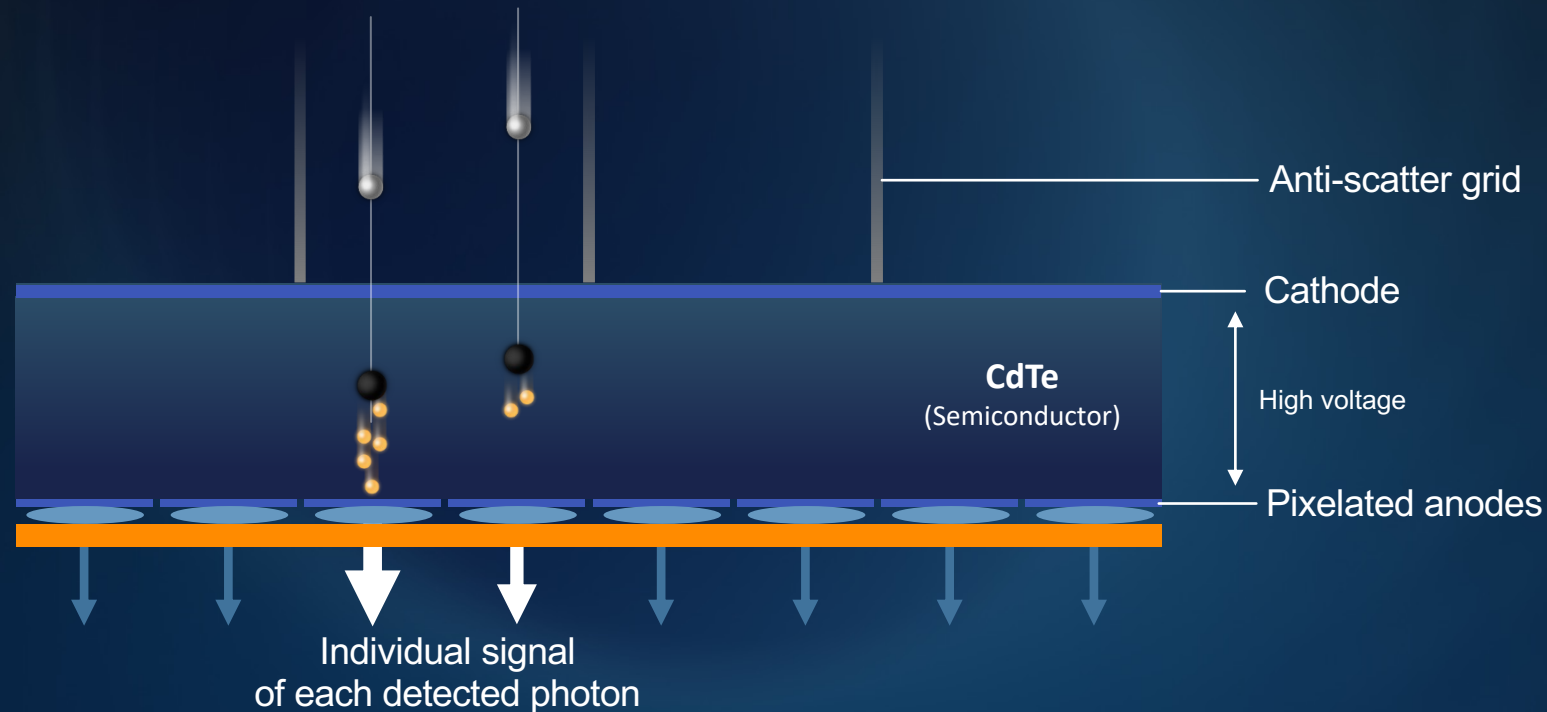
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# Established Technology: Energy-integrating detectors



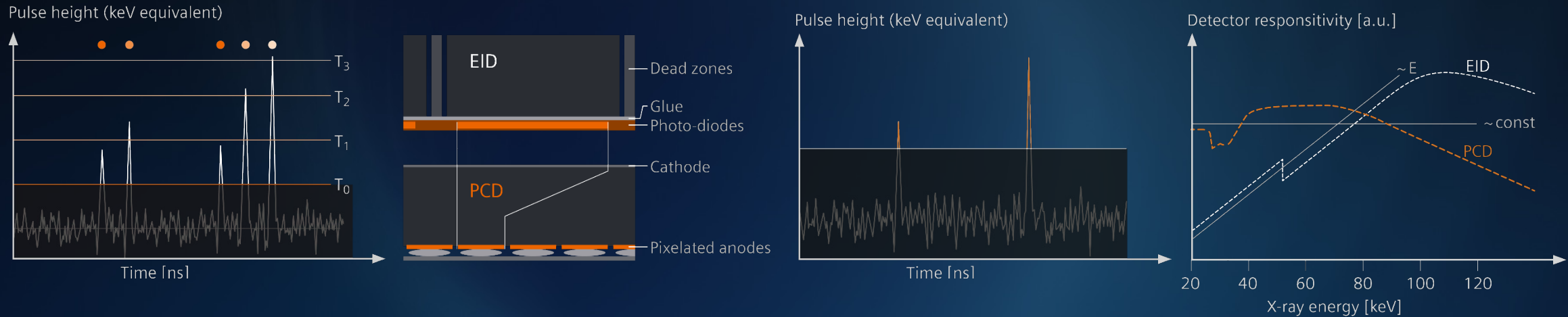
**Two-step** conversion: X-rays → light → electric current

# Disruptive Technology: Photon-counting detectors



**Single-step** direct conversion: X-rays → electric current

# Benefits of photon-counting detectors



**Intrinsic spectral sensitivity**



**Smaller detector pixels**



**Elimination of electronic noise**

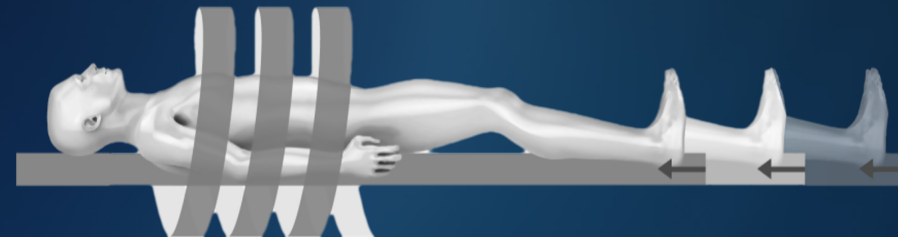


**Equal energy contribution**

# Computed Tomography plays a central role in medical diagnostics

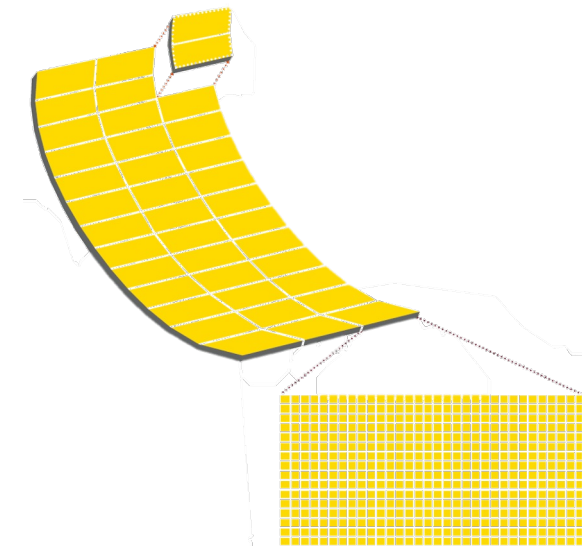
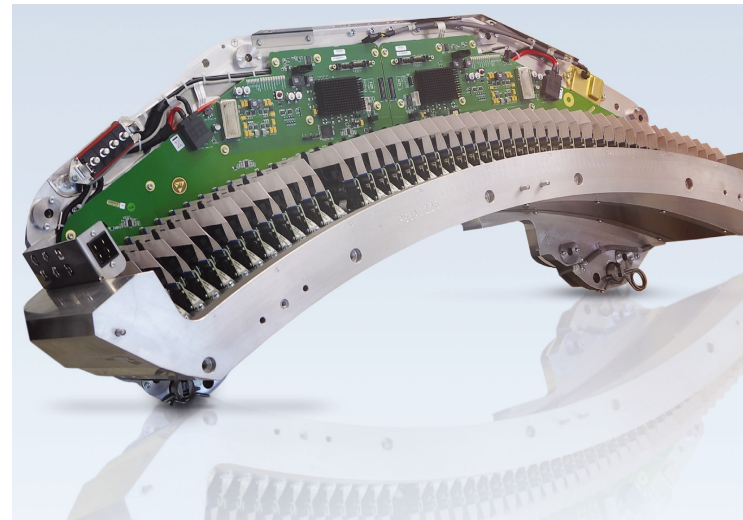
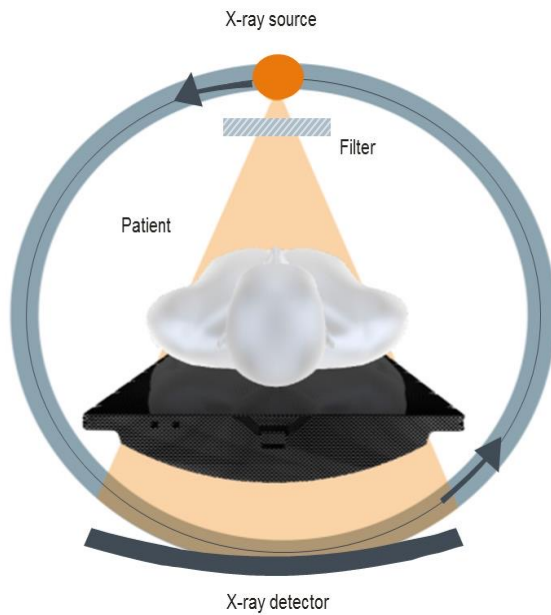


**Primary Diagnostic Touchpoint**  
**Supports Interventions**  
**Follow-up after Treatment**



- Morphological imaging within seconds
- Functional information by spectral X-ray techniques

# X-ray tube and detector are core components of CT scanners



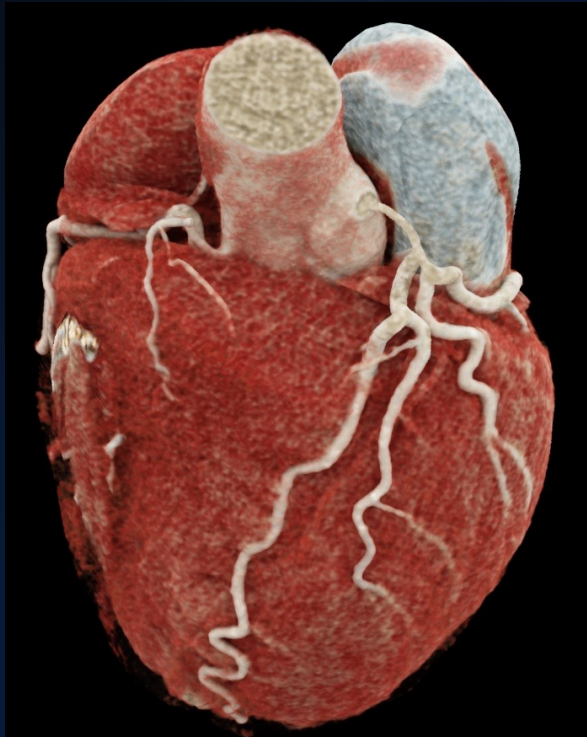
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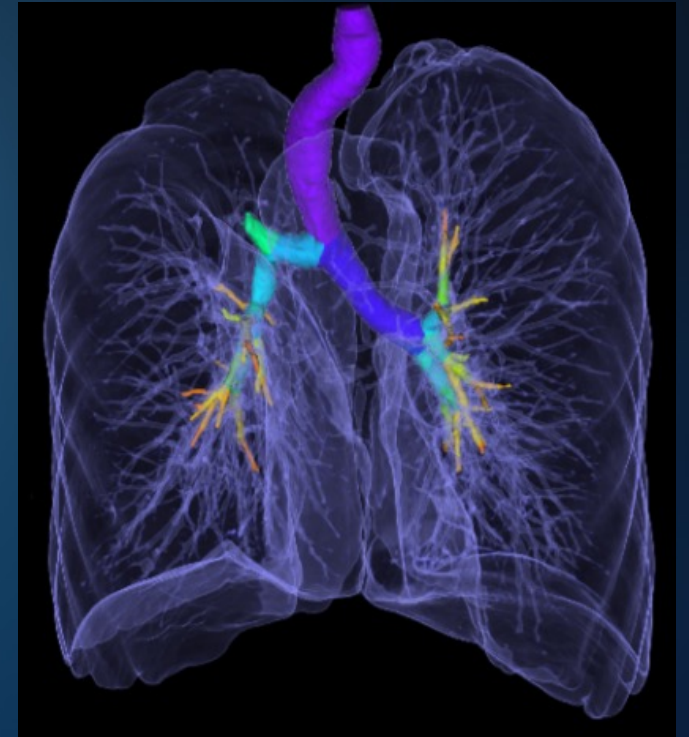
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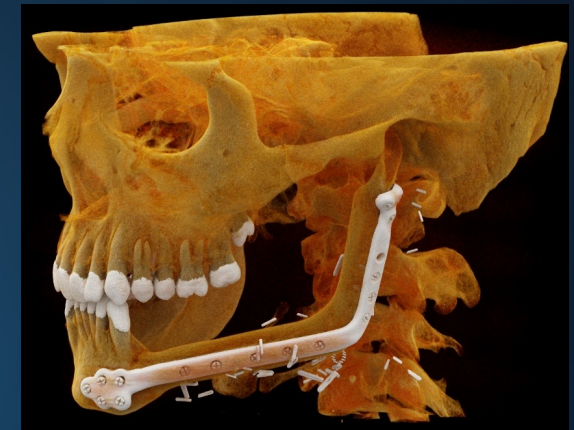




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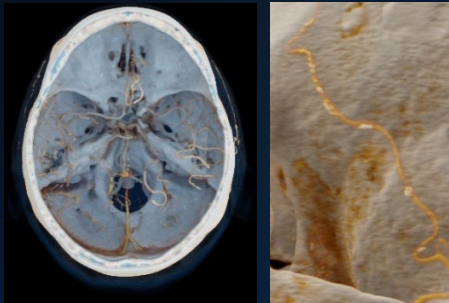


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Started in academia with scientific collaborations, and entered clinical routine

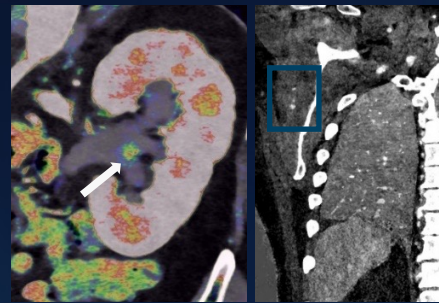
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Make the unseen visible  
and impact patient management



## Oncology

Aim for new standards  
in cancer treatment



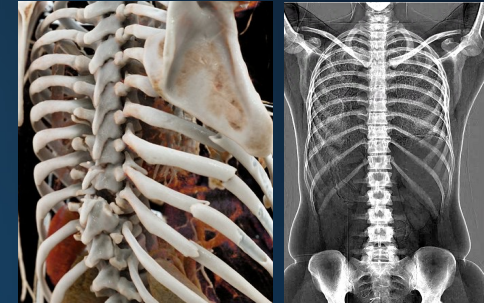
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More details with ultra-high resolution



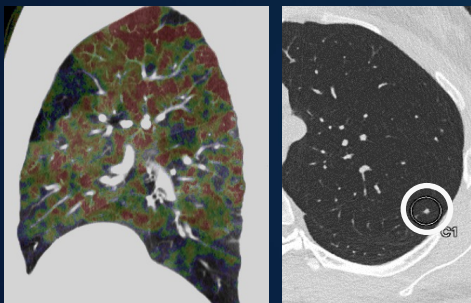
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Aim for new standards  
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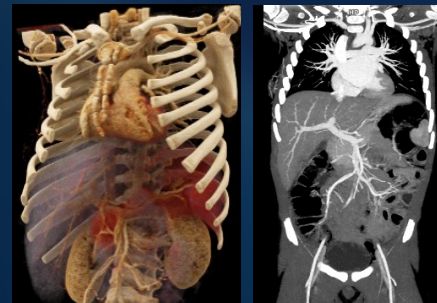
## Pulmonology

- Functional evaluation of lung diseases  
at high level of detail



## Pediatrics

Dose efficiency and spectral  
information for small patients



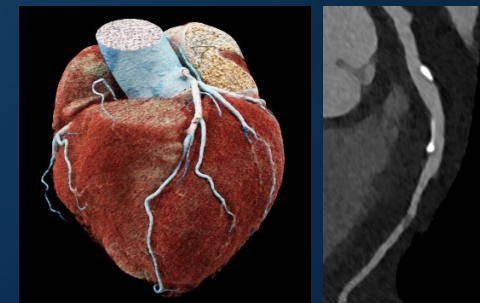
## Vascular

- High contrast at low dose



## Cardiology

Inform treatment planning  
with confidence



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Neurology

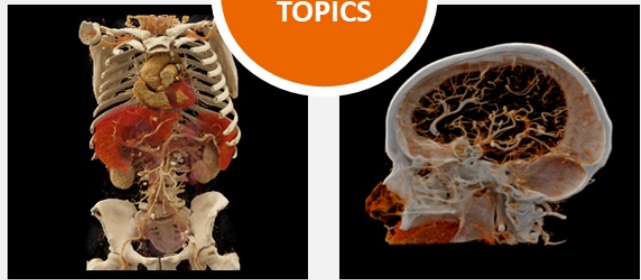
Oncology

Musculoskeletal

Emergency



**FOCUS TOPICS**



- Ultra high resolution
- Intrinsic spectral separation
- Ultra-low dose (radiation & contrast)

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More details with ultra-high resolution

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**Radiology** REVIEWS AND COMMENTARY • REVIEW

## Photon-counting CT in Thoracic Imaging: Early Clinical Evidence and Incorporation Into Clinical Practice

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Photon-counting CT (PCCT) is an emerging advanced CT technology that differs from conventional CT in its ability to directly convert incident x-ray photon energies into electrical signals. The detector design also permits substantial improvements in spatial resolution and radiation dose efficiency and allows for concurrent high-pitch and high-temporal-resolution multienergy imaging. This review summarizes (a) key differences in PCCT image acquisition and image reconstruction compared with conventional CT; (b) early evidence for the clinical benefit of PCCT for high-spatial-resolution diagnostic tasks in thoracic imaging, such as assessment of airway and parenchymal diseases, as well as benefits of high-pitch and multienergy scanning; (c) anticipated radiation dose reduction, depending on the diagnostic task, and increased utility for routine low-dose thoracic CT imaging; (d) adaptations for thoracic imaging in children; (e) potential for further quantitation of thoracic diseases; and (f) limitations and trade-offs. Moreover, important points for conducting and interpreting clinical studies examining the benefit of PCCT relative to conventional CT and integration of PCCT systems into multidisciplinary, multispecialty radiology practices are discussed.

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**MAYO CLINIC**

ology  
treatment planning  
confidence

# We develop technologies in three key areas



ACCELERATORS



DETECTORS



COMPUTING

# Session 3

# The Quantum Revolution

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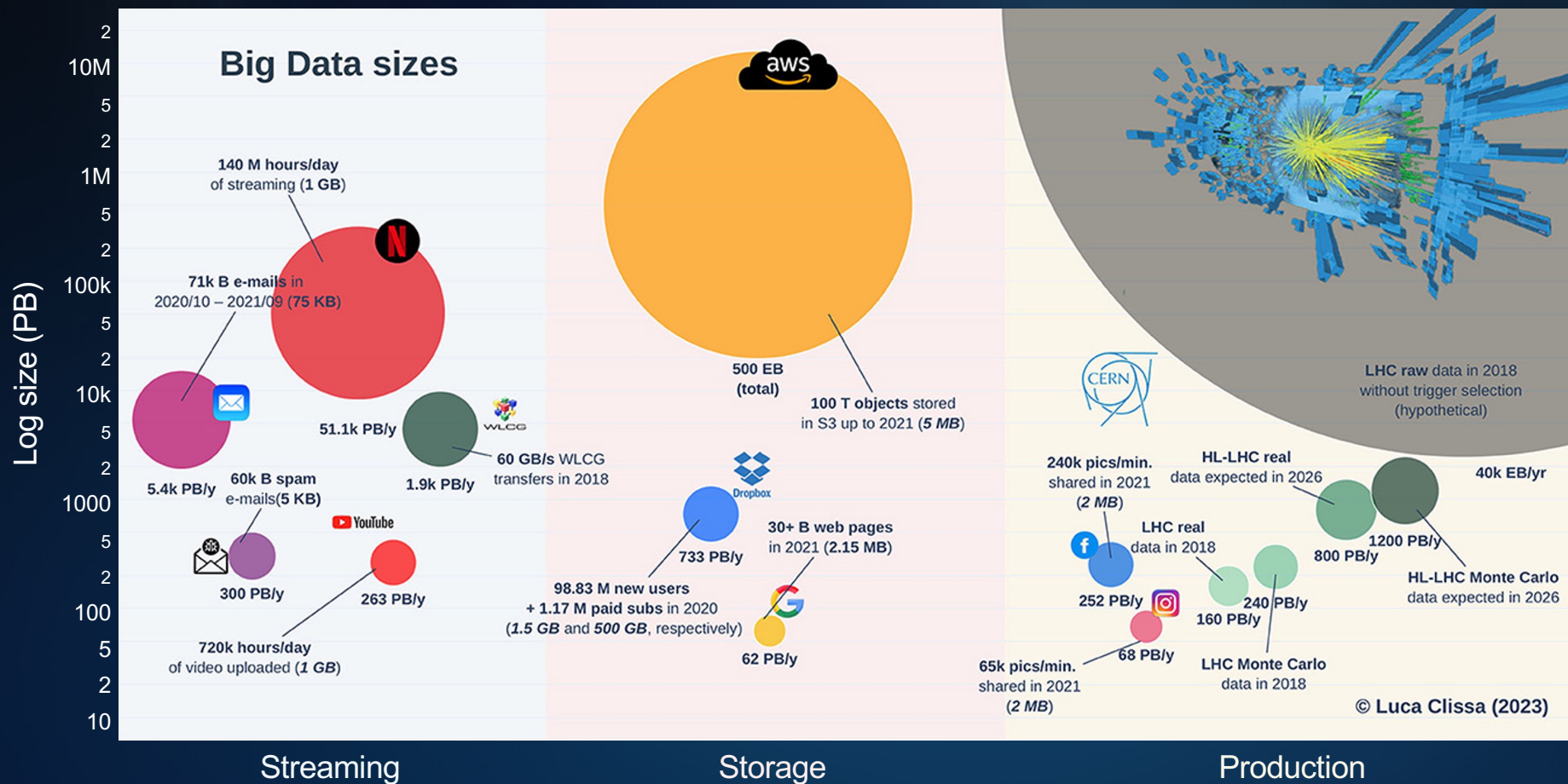
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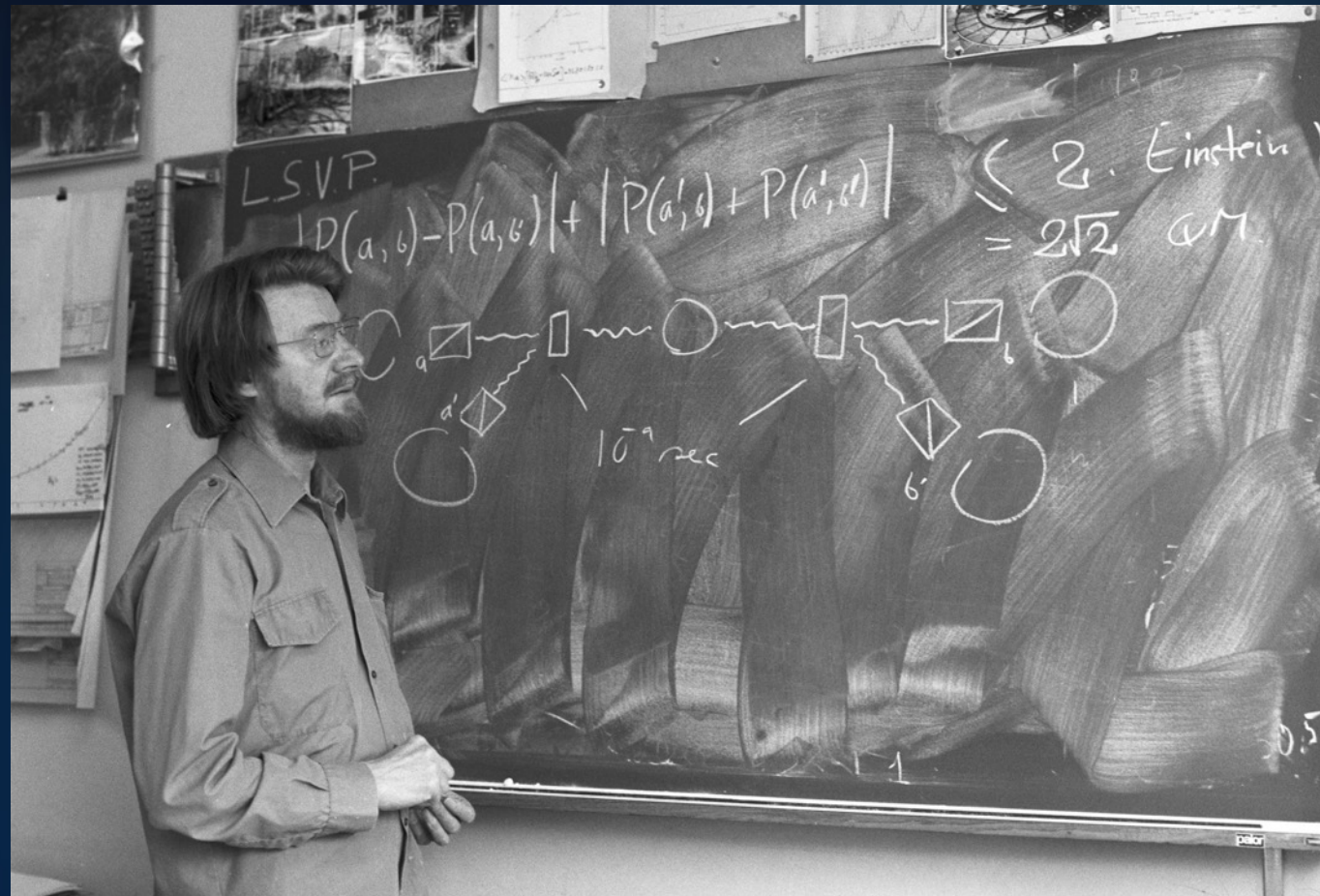


# Big Data



A comprehensive survey of data production, storage, and streaming in science and industry

# Bell inequalities





# From Bell inequalities theorem to the Quantum Revolution

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# First Encounter



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## MAGIC MOMENTS

J.S. BELL and R.A. BERGLMANN<sup>1</sup>

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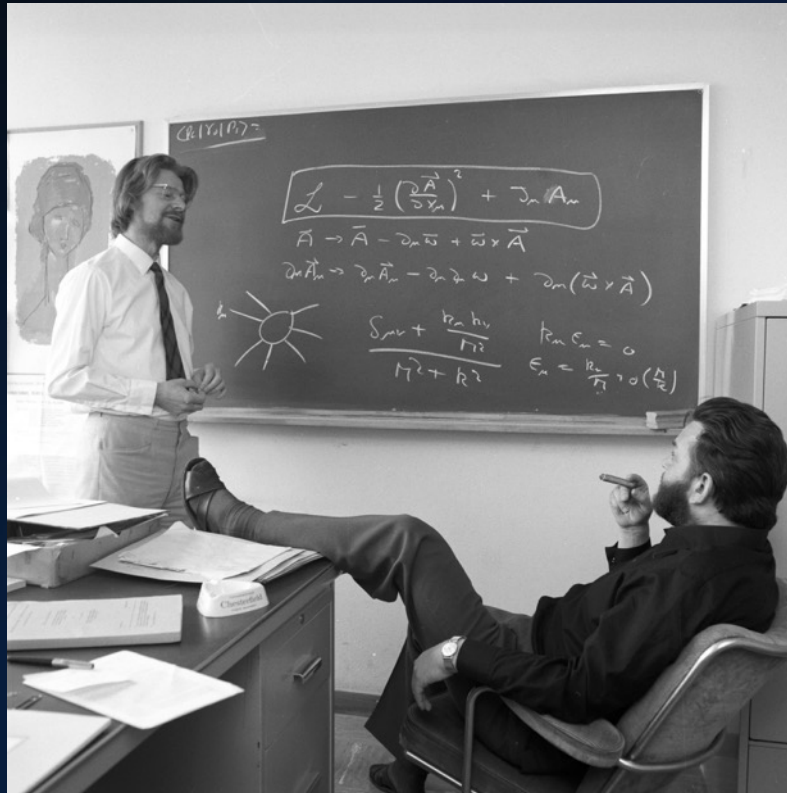
The moment method of Shifman, Vainshtein and Zakharov, for calculating bound-state energies in QCD, is tested in the context of potential models. For simple power-law potentials of low degree a refined version of the method works surprisingly well. The cruder version actually used by Shifman, Vainshtein and Zakharov for charmonium works less well, and the composite potentials usually envisaged for charmonium are less accurately dealt with than simple power potentials. We conjecture then that the magnitude of their confinement parameter  $\phi$  has been substantially underestimated by those authors.

# Tea Tasting

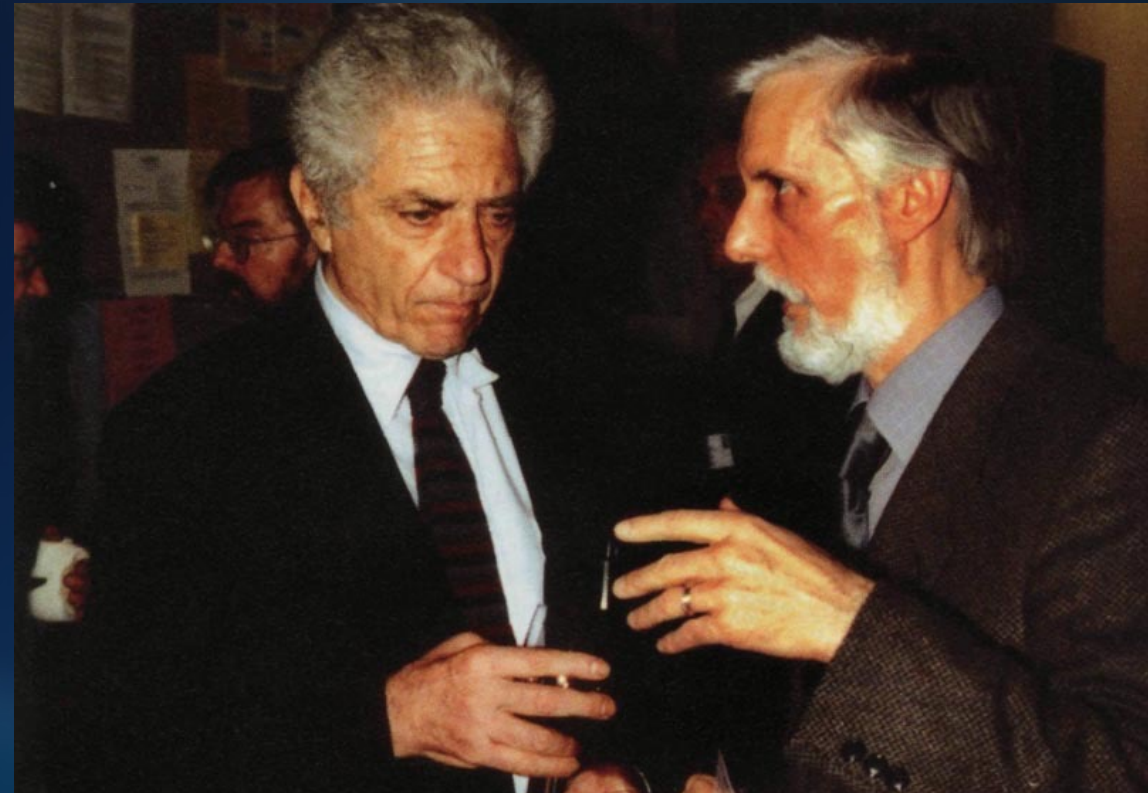


Reinhold & John

# John Bell – Particle Physicist

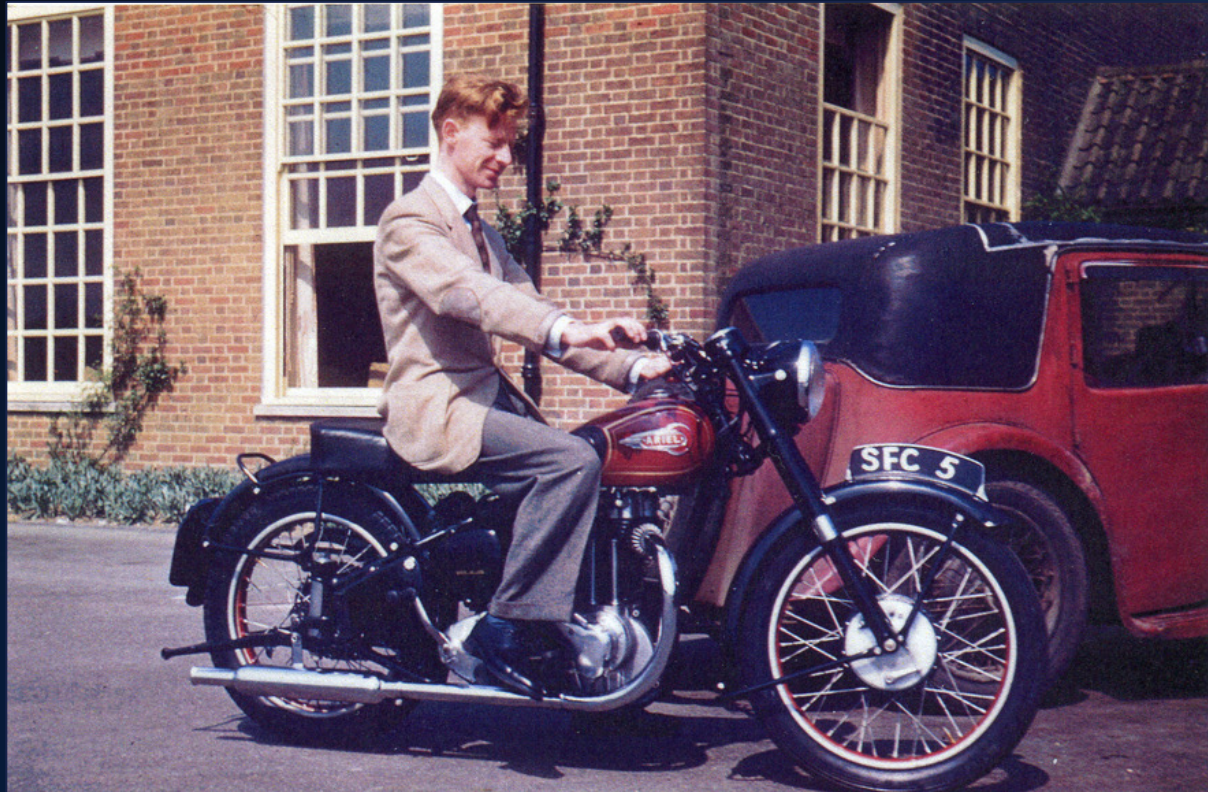


With Martinus Veltman



Bertlmann with Jack Steinberger

# John Bell – Accelerator Physicist



In 1950s at Harwell



# John Bell – Accelerator Physicist

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## ELECTRON COOLING IN STORAGE RINGS

J. S. BELL and M. BELL  
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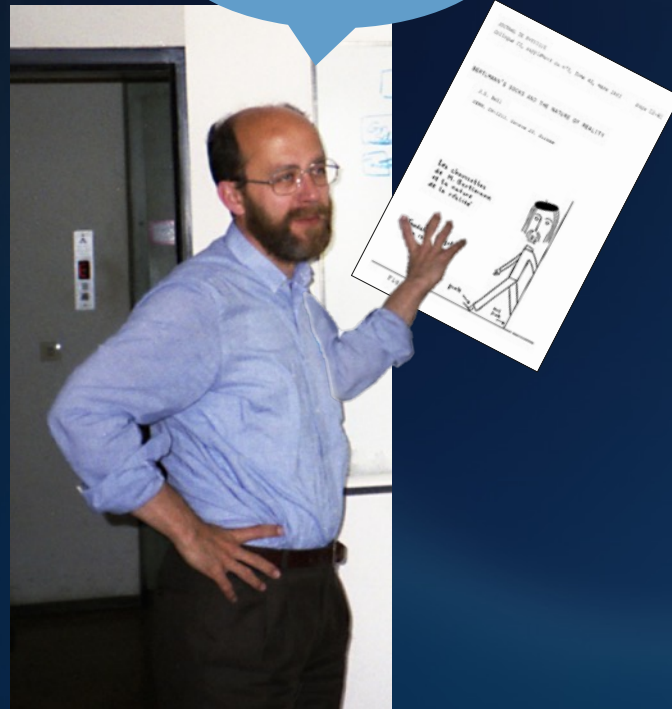
It is found that the effect of “flattening” of the electron velocity distribution is to increase the rate of cooling of small betatron oscillations by a factor of 2.4, and not by a factor of 4 as often quoted. This is when the cooler magnetic field is ignored. When it is allowed for, in the usual way, the cooling rate involves a divergent integral whose regulation depends on the details of particular cases.



With his wife Mary Bell

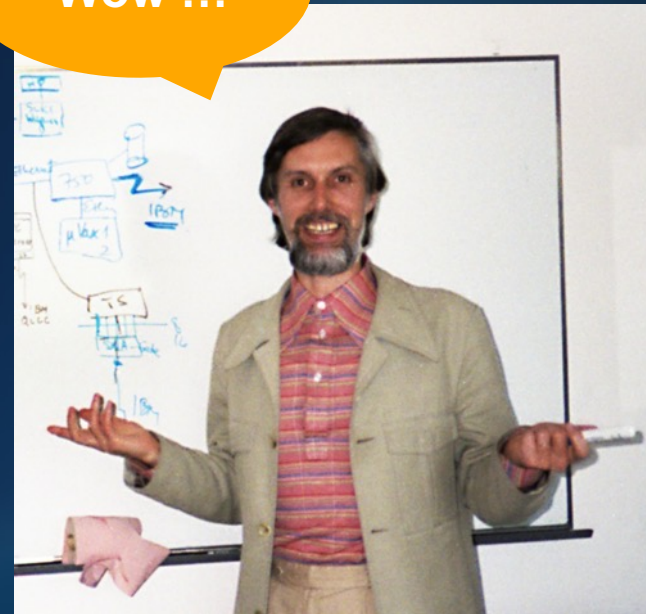
# Surprise

Reinhold  
look ...



Gerhard Ecker

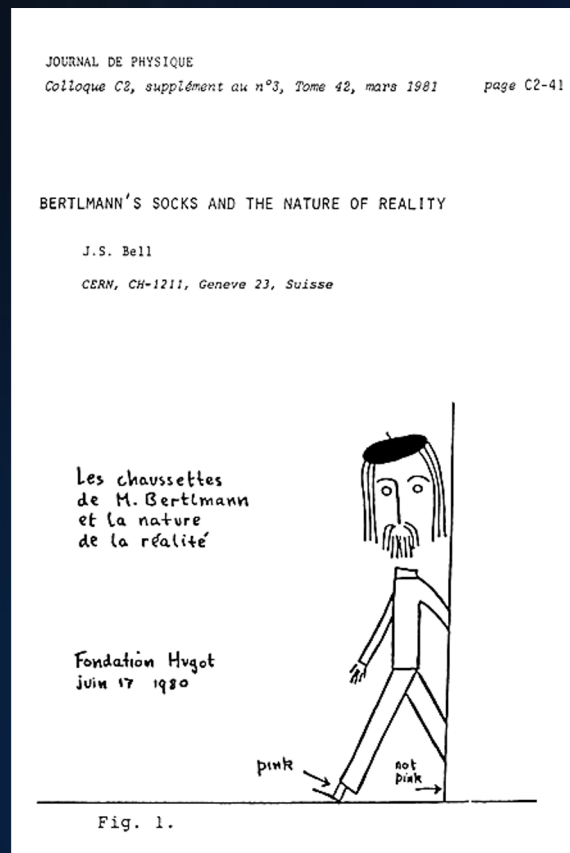
Wow !!!



Reinhold A. Bertlmann

Out of the Blue,  
Vienna Summer 1980

# Bertlmann's Socks



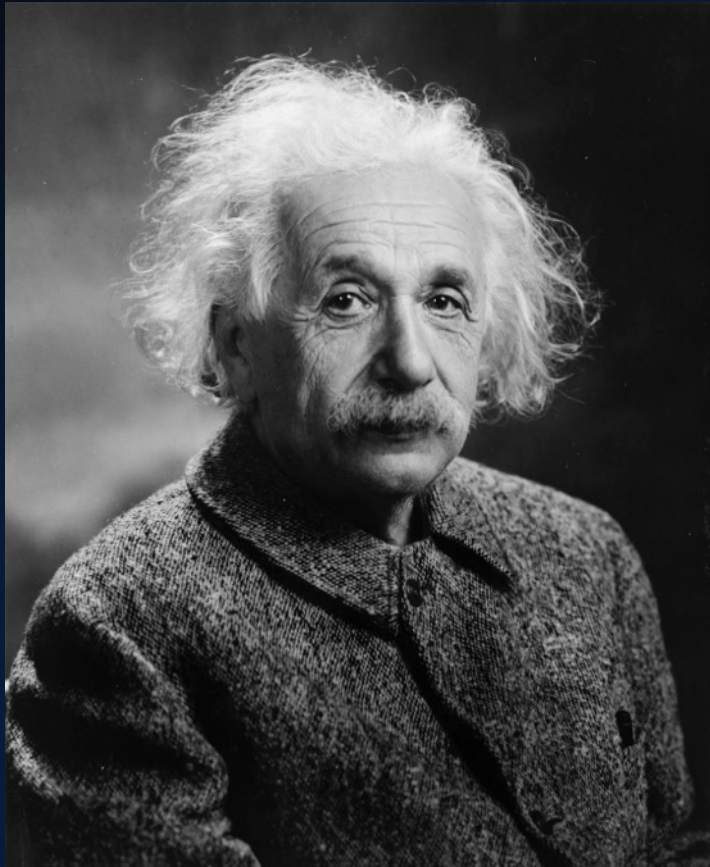
“Dr. Bertlmann likes to wear two socks of different colours. Which colour he will have on a given foot on a given day is quite unpredictable. But when you see that the first sock is pink you can be already sure that the second sock will not be pink.”

“Observation of the first, and experience of Bertlmann, gives immediate information about the second.”

“And is not the EPR business just the same?...”

**No !!**

# Einstein vs Bohr





# Quantum physics

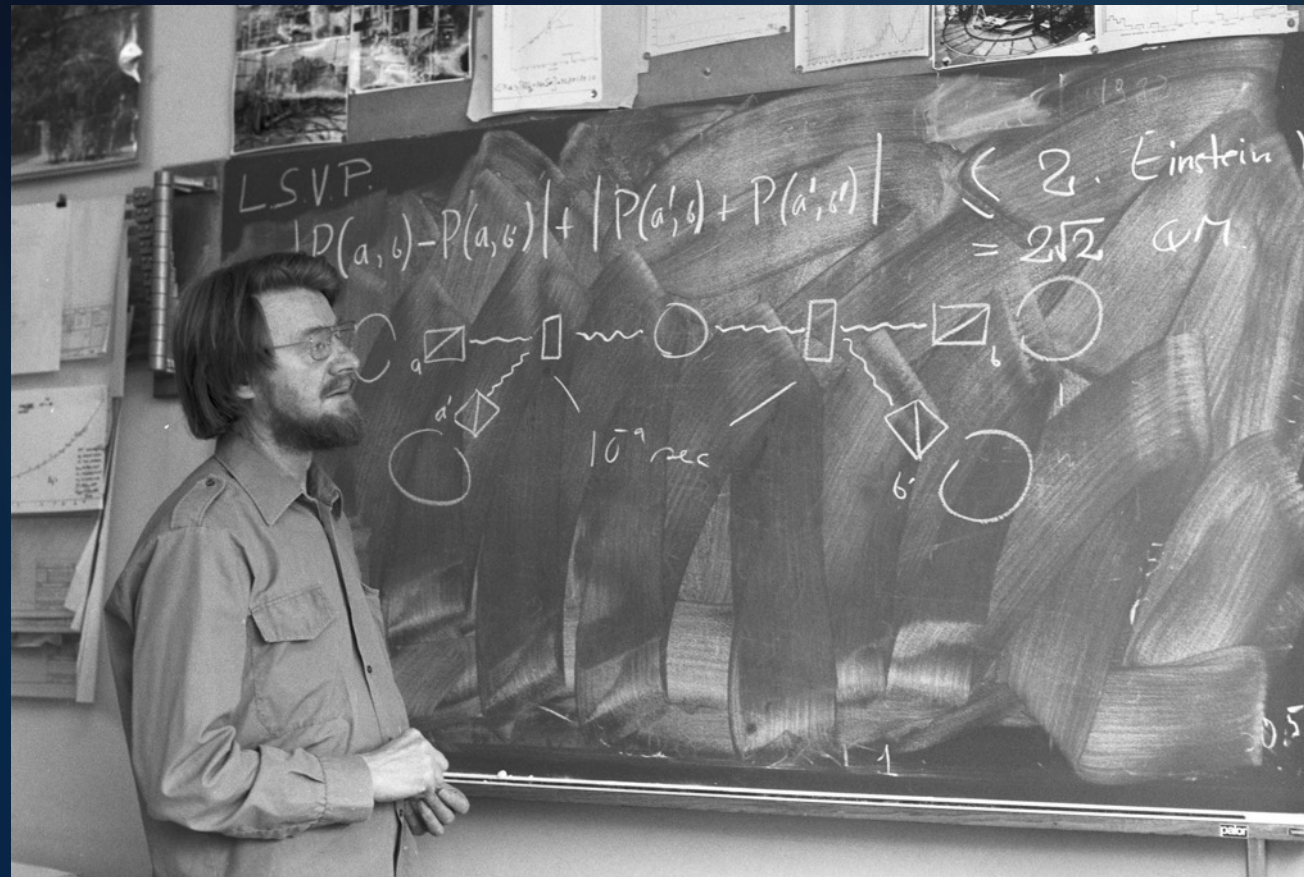


**Classic world (human experience)**  
Continuous behaviour

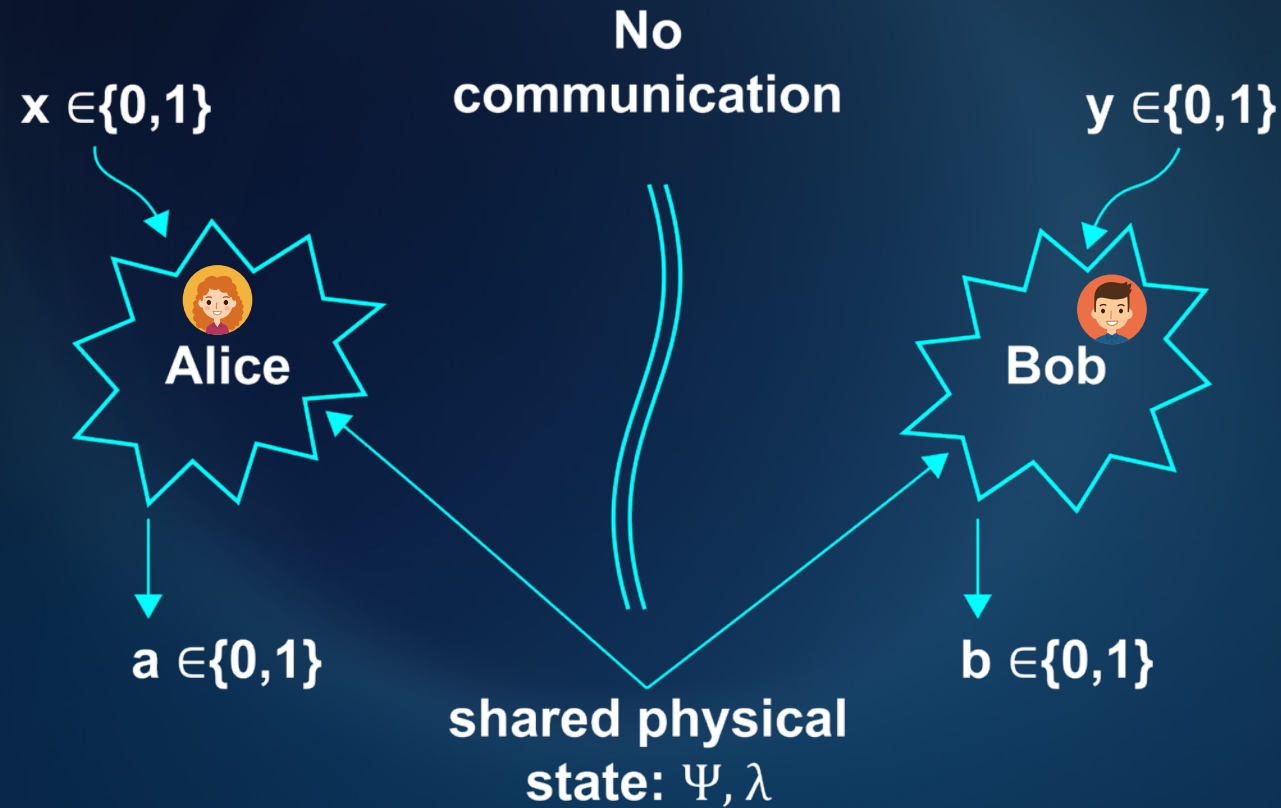


**Quantum world (micro)**  
Quantum particles – wave like

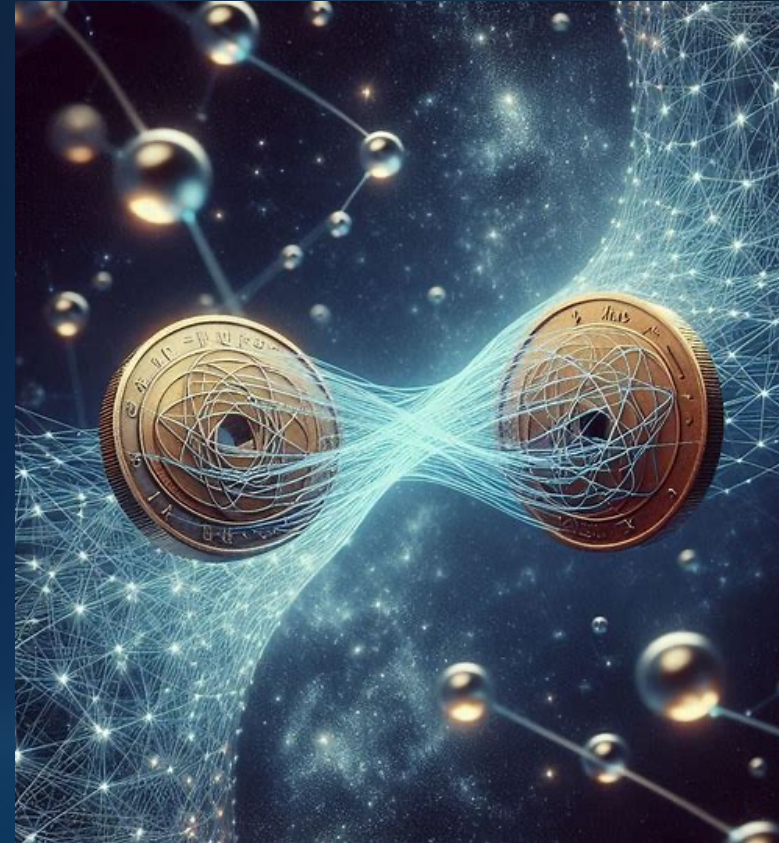
# Bell's theorem



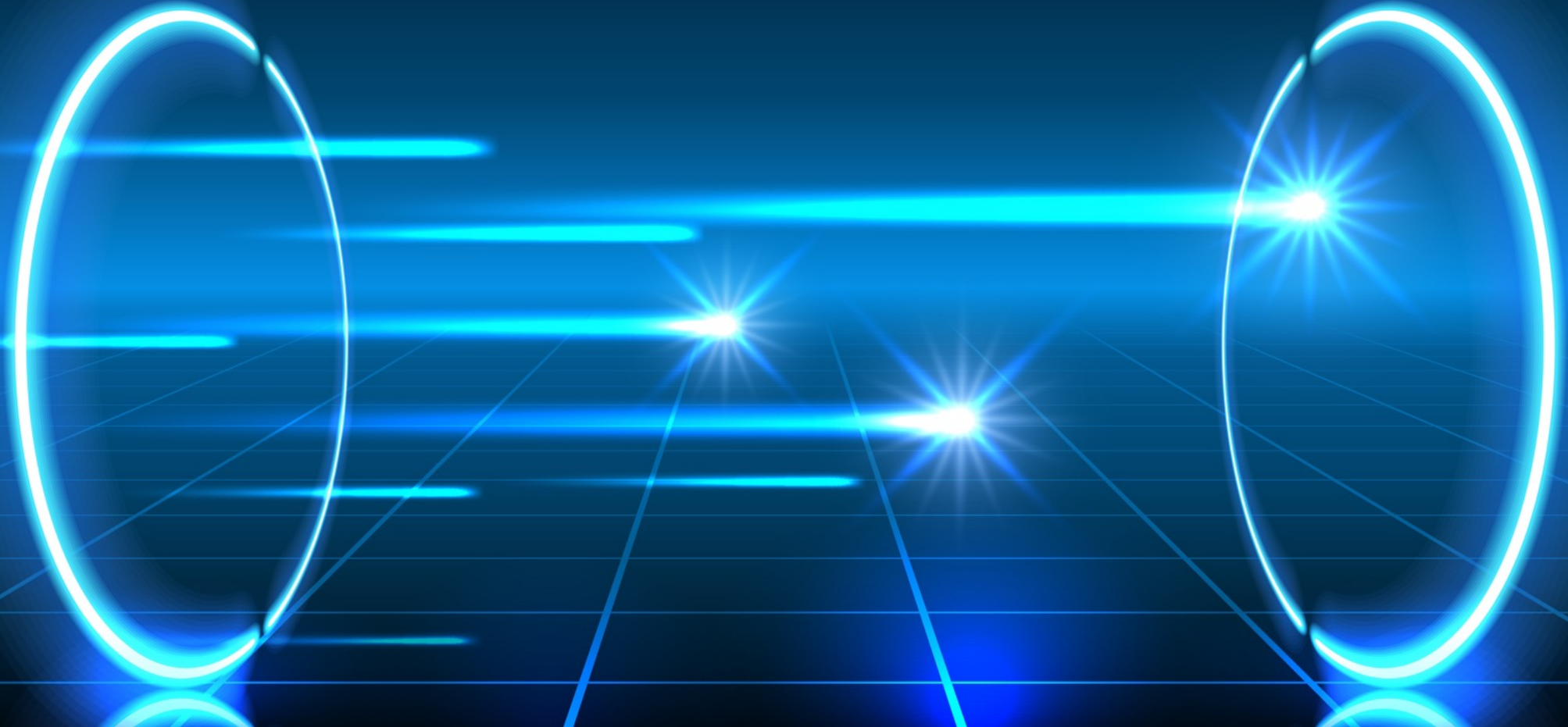
# Bell locality



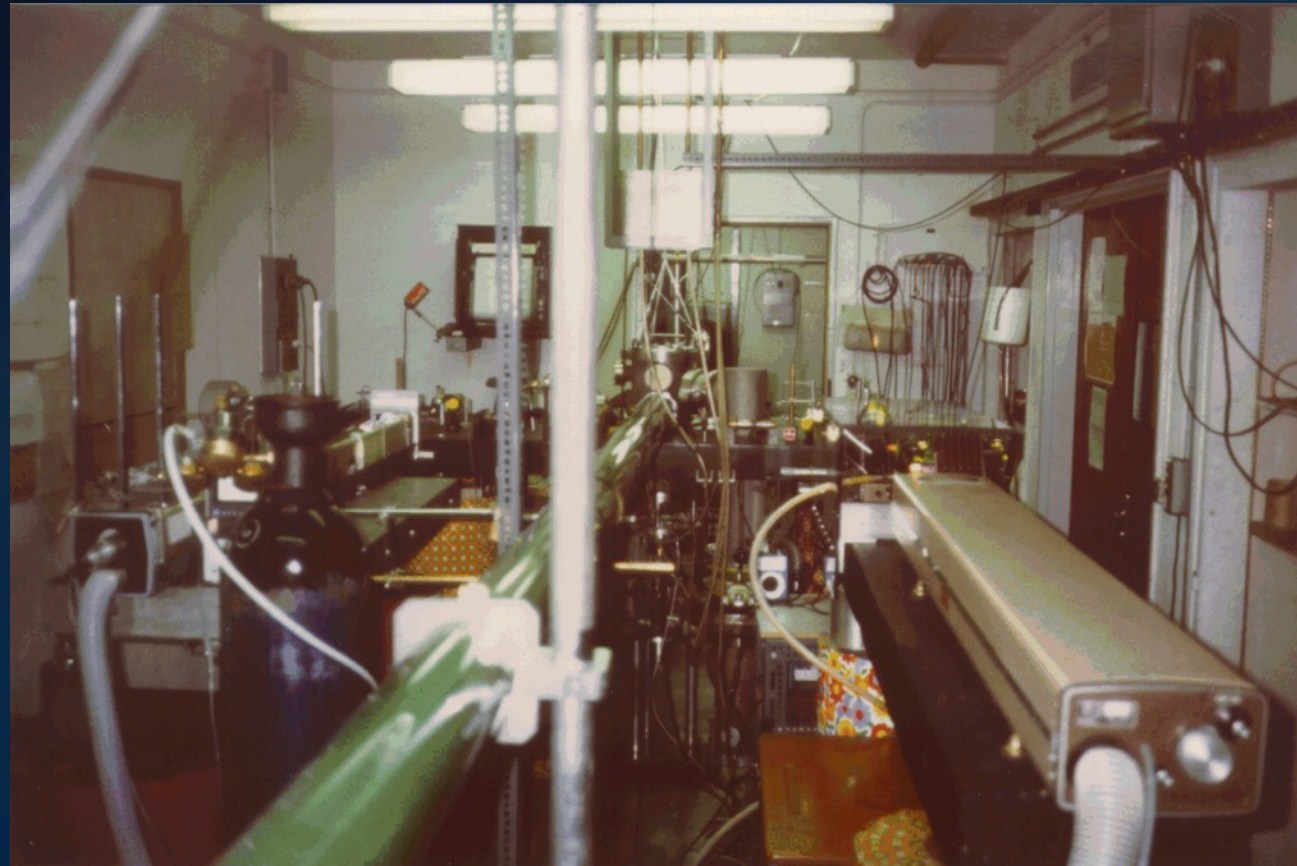
# Entanglement



# Quantum teleportation



# The curiosity lab



Aspect's 1982 experiment

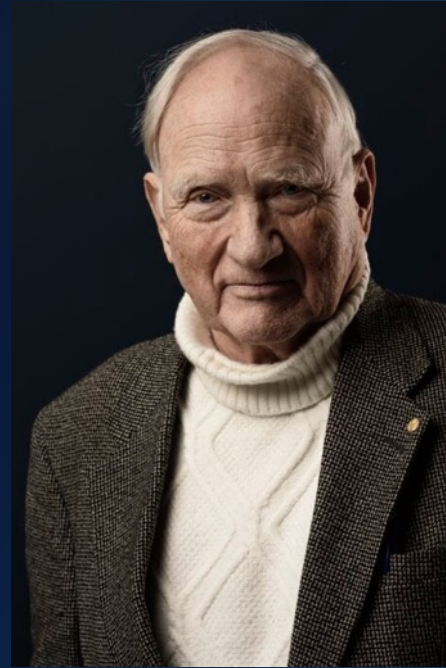
# From Bell's thought experiment to Aspect's lab



Alain Aspect developed this experiment, using a new way of exciting the atoms so they emitted entangled photons at a higher rate. He could also switch between different settings, so the system would not contain any advance information that could affect the results.



Alain Aspect



John F. Clauser



Anton Zeilinger

The Nobel Prize in Physics 2022 was awarded jointly to Alain Aspect, John F. Clauser and Anton Zeilinger  
"for experiments with entangled photons, establishing the **violation of Bell inequalities**  
and **pioneering quantum information science**"



# The real-world lab: Geneva 1997

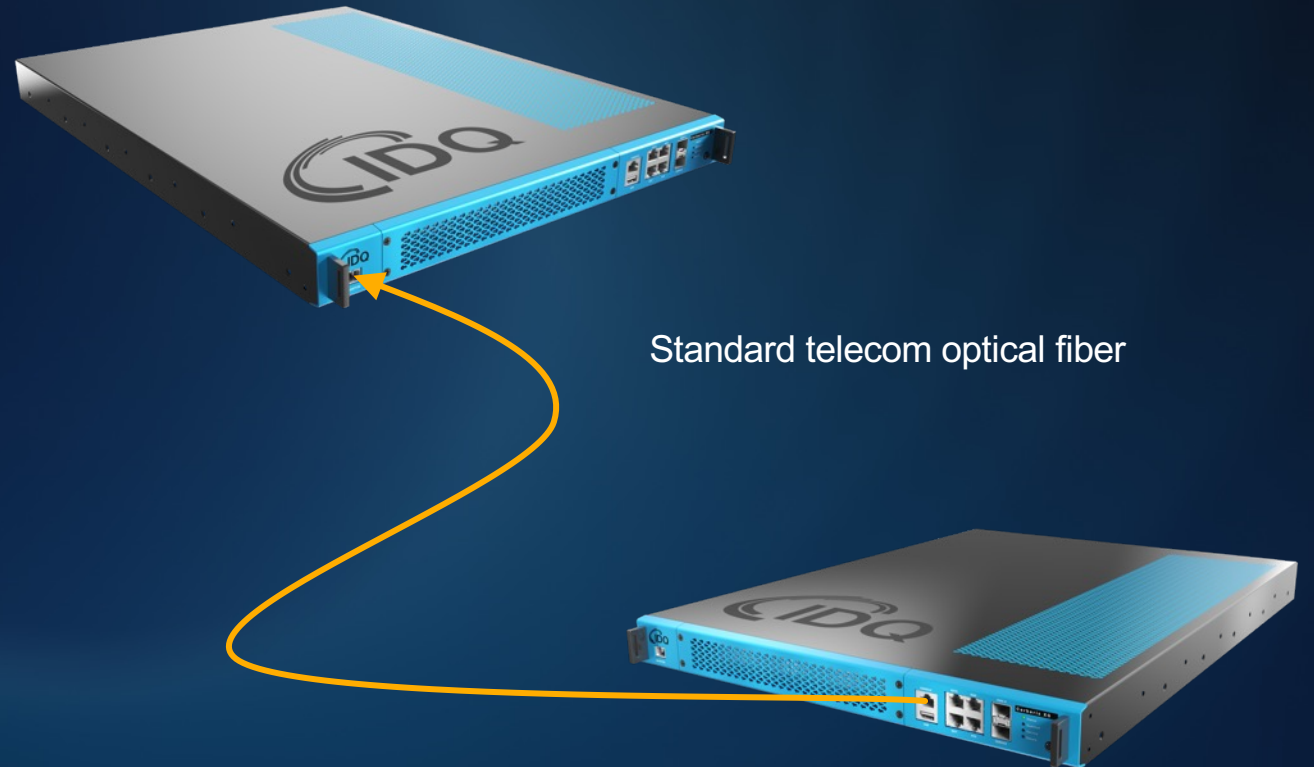
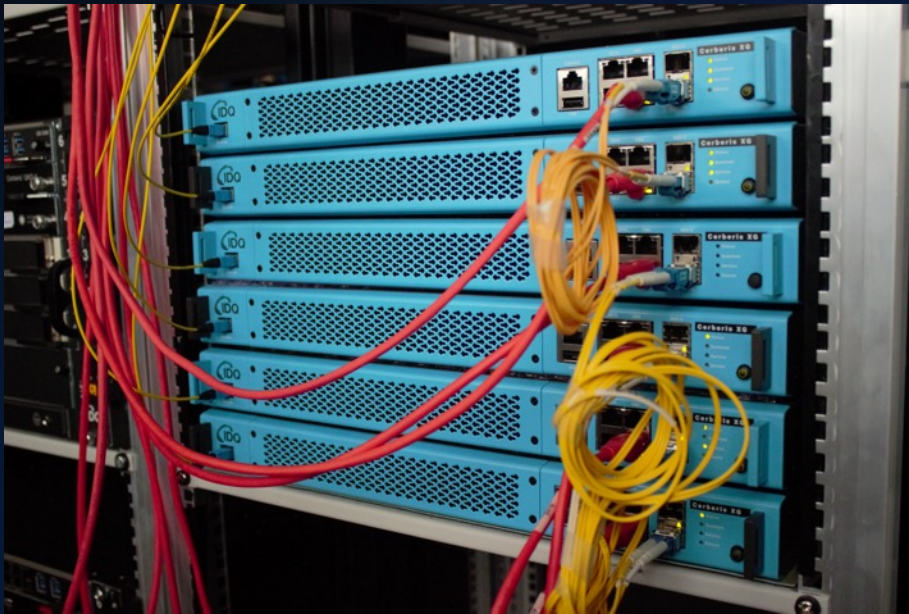
Violation of Bell inequality over 10 km



# Visit by Mary Bell during the experiment



# Quantum Key Distribution



# Sample of QKD networks



Geneva-Lausanne



Poland

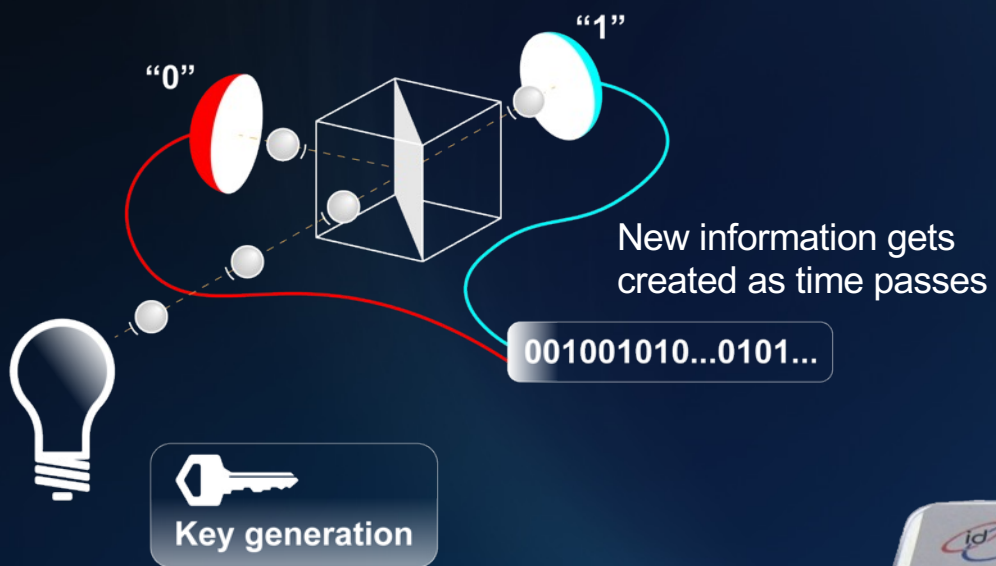


South-Korea



EU Quantum  
Communication Infrastructure

# Quantum Random number generator



First mass application  
of Q technologies



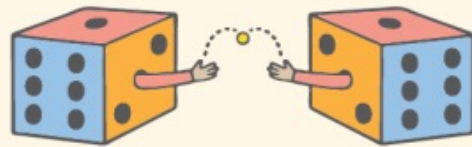
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# Application of superconducting single-photon detectors to... Rockets: Ariane 6

- First space launcher using Opto-Pyrotechnics
- Main advantages:
  - immunity to electromagnetic interference,
  - simpler handling, shorter integration times,
  - mass, volume and cost reductions
- Reduced design-to-build lead times
- Enhanced safety and reliability
- First flight in 2024





Nicolas Gisin

# Quantum Chance

Nonlocality,  
Teleportation and Other  
Quantum Marvels

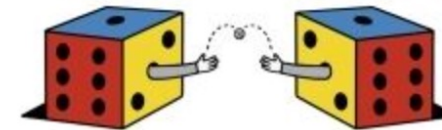
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## L'IMPENSABLE HASARD

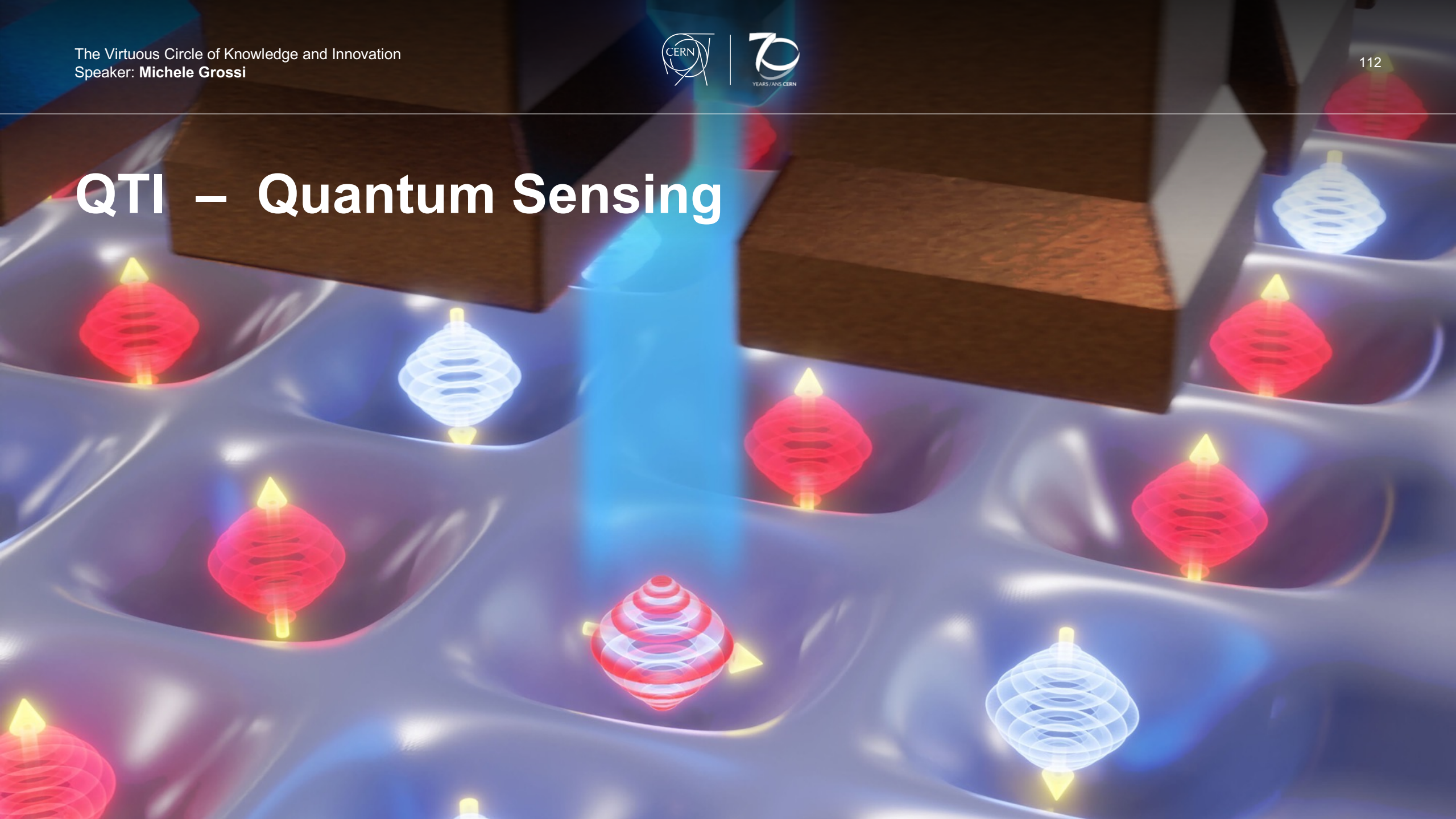
NON-LOCALITÉ, TÉLÉPORTATION  
ET AUTRES MERVEILLES QUANTIQUES



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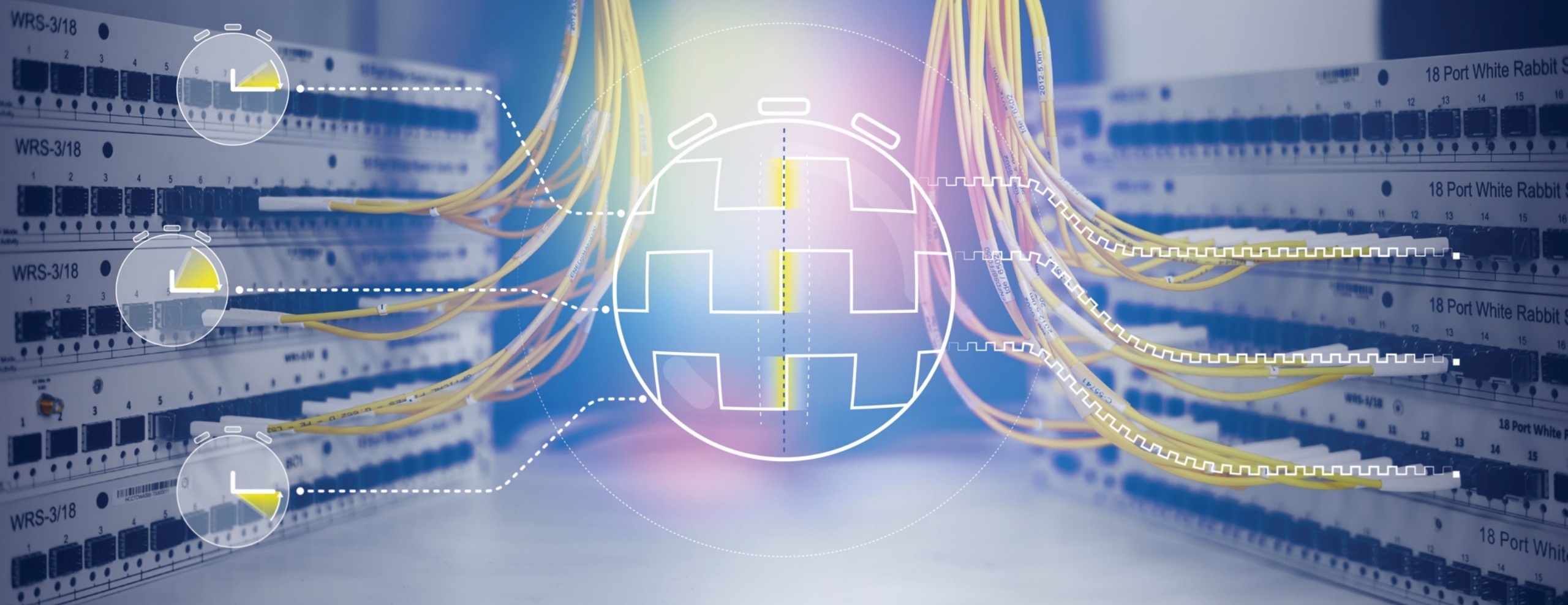
  
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# QTI – Quantum Sensing

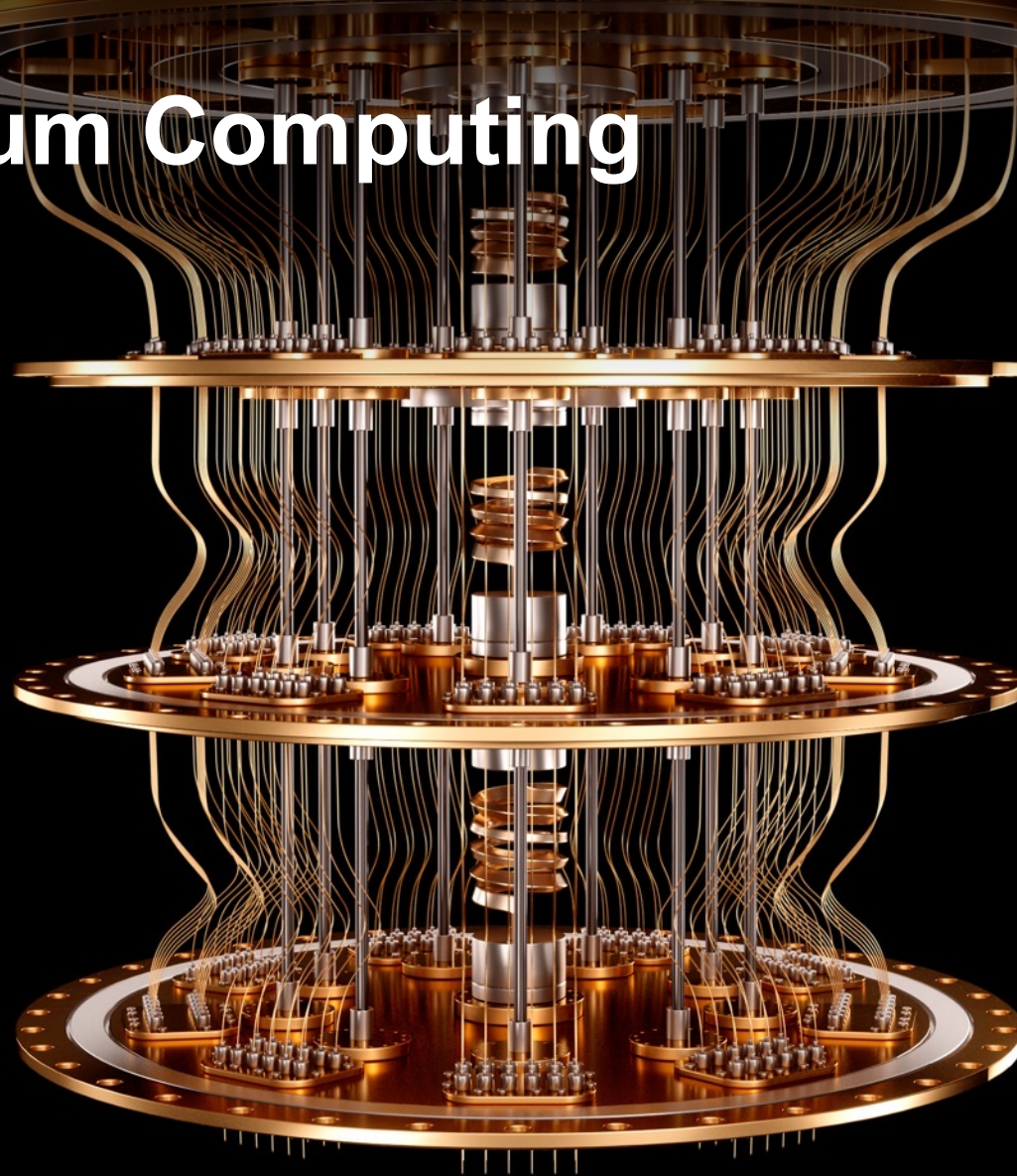
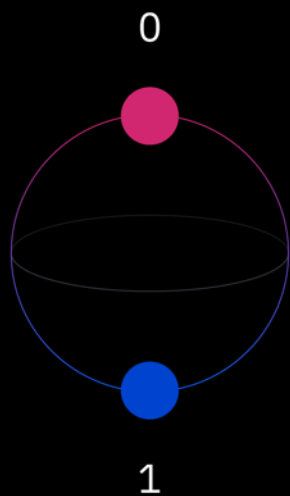




# QTI – Quantum Communication



# QTI – Quantum Computing





# John's Confession



# The Virtuous Circle of Knowledge and Innovation

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Daniela Bortoletto, Nicolas Gisin, Michele Grossi,  
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7 March

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innovation**  
18 April

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human endeavour**  
As part of the Cineglobe festival  
19 May

**The case of the (still)  
mysterious Universe**  
6 June

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machines for new  
knowledge**  
4 July

