

# An Introduction to Particle Physics

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## HOW DID OUR UNIVERSE BEGIN?

Some 13.8 billion years ago our entire visible universe was confined in an unimaginably hot, dense point, a billionth the size of a nuclear particle. Since then it has expanded—a lot—fighting gravity all the way.

### Inflation

In far less than a nanosecond a repulsive energy field inflates space to visible size and fills it with a soup of subatomic particles called quarks.

**Age:**  $10^{-32}$  milliseconds  
**Size:** Infinitesimal to golf ball

### Early building blocks

The universe expands, cools. Quarks clump into protons and neutrons, the building blocks of atomic nuclei. Perhaps dark matter forms.

**Age:** .01 milliseconds  
**Size:** 0.1-trillionth present size

### First nuclei

As the universe continues to cool the lightest nuclei, of hydrogen and helium, arise. A thick fog of particles blocks all light.

**Age:** .01 to 200 seconds  
**Size:** 1-billionth present size

### First atoms, first light

As electrons begin orbiting nuclei, creating atoms, the glow from our infant universe is unveiled. This light is as far back as our instruments can see.

**Age:** 380,000 years  
**Size:** .0009 present size

### The "dark ages"

For 300 million years this cosmic background radiation is the only light. Clumps of matter that will become galaxies glow brightest.

**Age:** 380,000 to 300 million years  
**Size:** .0009 to 0.1 present size

### Gravity wins: first stars

Dense gas clouds collapse under their own gravity—and that of dark matter—to eventually form galaxies and stars. Nuclear fusion lights up the stars.

**Age:** 300 million years  
**Size:** 0.1 present size

### Antigravity wins

After being slowed for billions of years by gravity, cosmic expansion accelerates again. The culprit: dark energy. Its nature: unclear.

**Age:** 10 billion years  
**Size:** .77 present size

### Today

The universe continues to expand, becoming ever less dense. As a result, fewer new stars and galaxies are forming.

**Age:** 13.8 billion years  
**Size:** Present size



## HOW WILL IT END?

Which will win in the end, gravity or antigravity? Is the density of matter enough for gravity to halt or even reverse cosmic expansion, leading to a big crunch? It seems unlikely—especially given the power of dark energy. Perhaps the acceleration in expansion caused by dark energy will trigger a big rip that shreds everything, from galaxies to atoms. If not, the universe may expand for hundreds of billions of years, long after all stars have died.



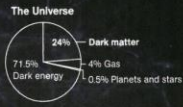
Galaxies ripped apart by rapid expansion

# COSMIC QUESTIONS

In the 20th century the universe became a story—a scientific one. It had always been seen as static and eternal. Then astronomers observed other galaxies flying away from ours, and Einstein's general relativity theory implied space itself was expanding—which meant the universe had once been denser. What had seemed eternal now had a beginning and an end. But what beginning? What end? Those questions are still open.

## WHAT IS OUR UNIVERSE MADE OF?

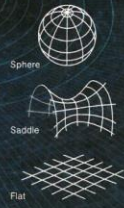
Stars, dust, and gas—the stuff we can discern—make up less than 5 percent of the universe. Their gravity can't account for how galaxies hold together. Scientists figure about 24 percent of the universe is a mysterious dark matter—perhaps exotic particles formed right after inflation. The rest is dark energy; an unknown energy field or property of space that counteracts gravity, providing an explanation for observations that the expansion of space is accelerating.



## WHAT IS THE SHAPE OF OUR UNIVERSE?

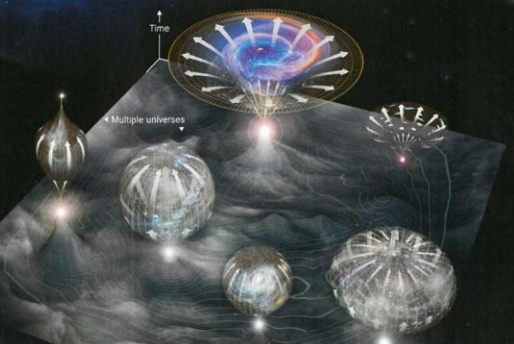
Einstein discovered that a star's gravity curves space around it. But is the whole universe curved? Might space close up on itself like a sphere or curve the other way, opening out like a saddle? By studying cosmic background radiation, scientists have found that the universe is poised between the two: just dense enough with just enough gravity to be almost perfectly flat, at least the part we can see. What lies beyond we can't know.

**The Unknown Beyond**  
What we can't see. The possible shapes are:



## DO WE LIVE IN A MULTIVERSE?

What came before the big bang? Maybe other big bangs. The uncertainty principle holds that even the vacuum of space has quantum energy fluctuations. Inflation theory says our universe exploded from such a fluctuation—a random event that, odds are, had happened many times before. Our cosmos may be one in a sea of others just like ours—or nothing like ours. These other cosmos will very likely remain forever inaccessible to observation, their possibilities limited only by our imagination.

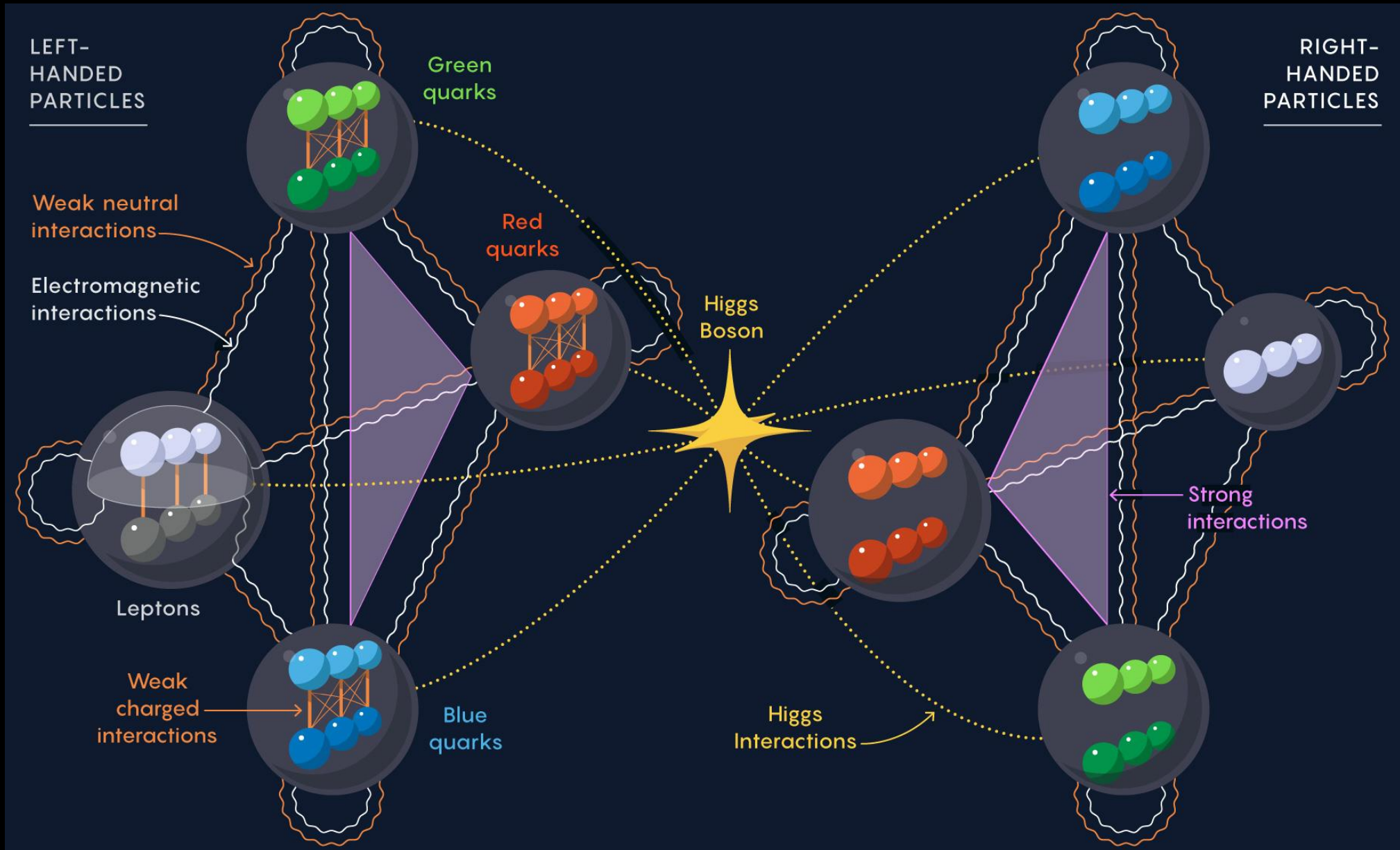


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# Other Standard Model Representations

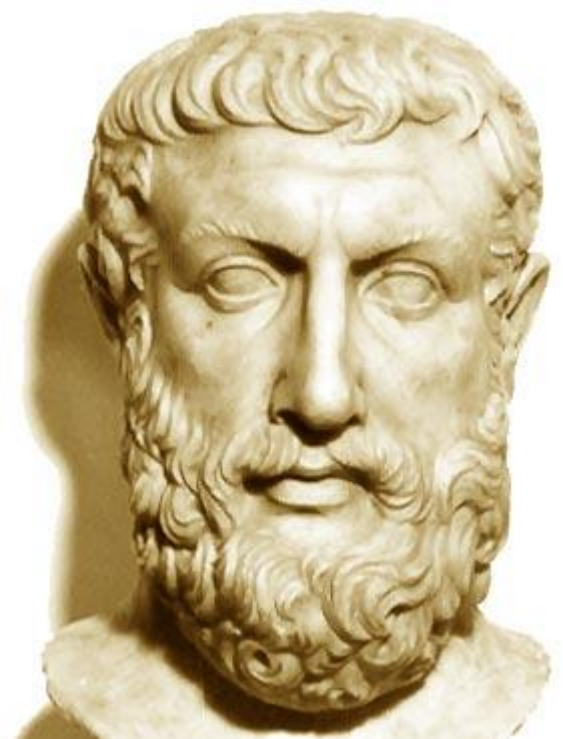


# **A Short History of *Particular* Understandings**

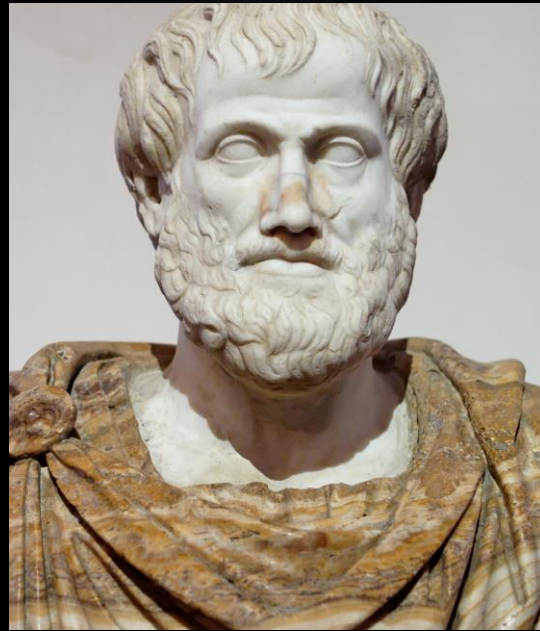
(a whirlwind, ignoring many atomic and radioactive developments)



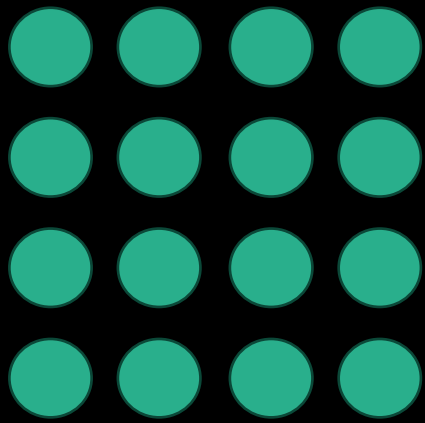
# From Democritus to Newton



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## Democritus (~400 BCE)

- *ατομος* "atomos" = "indivisible"
  - Matter cut through via its empty spots
  - Infinite in number
  - All made of similar material

## Aristotle

- Four elements, "minima"
  - Lower limit on size of particles with properties

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## Newton

- Light as a "corpuscle"
  - Taken from Gassendi



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# The Photon as a Wave

## Renee Descartes (1637)

- Theory of refraction
  - Analogy of sound waves
  - Faster in medium—wrong

## Christiaan Huygens (1678)

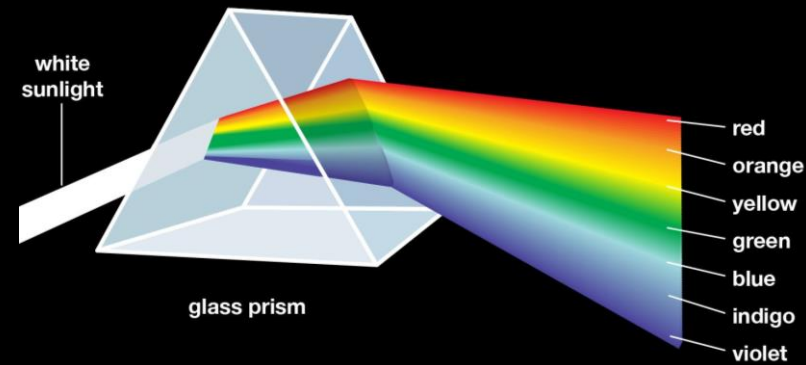
- Mathematical theory
  - "Luminous aether"
  - Predicted interference

## Thomas Young (~1800)

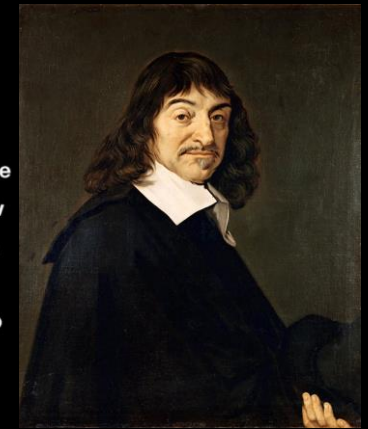
- First diffraction experiments
  - Colors as various wavelengths

## James Clerk Maxwell

- Inspired by Faraday (1846)
  - Plane of polarization rotated when traveling through  $\vec{B}$
- Maxwell's Equations (1873)
  - Govern dynamics of electricity and magnetism
  - First unification of forces



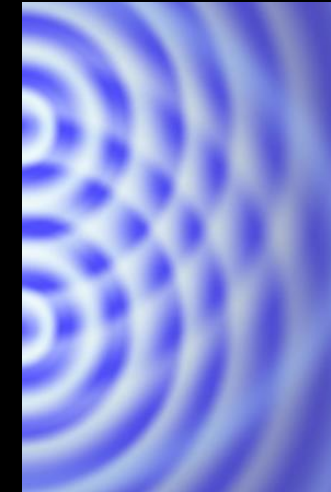
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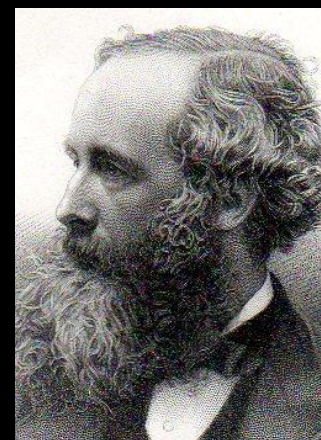
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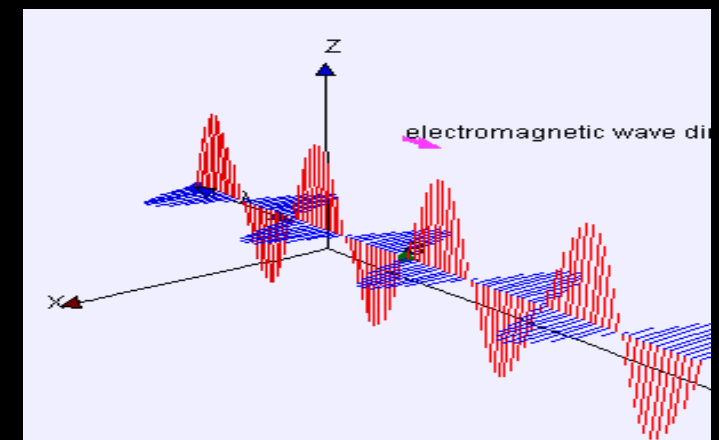
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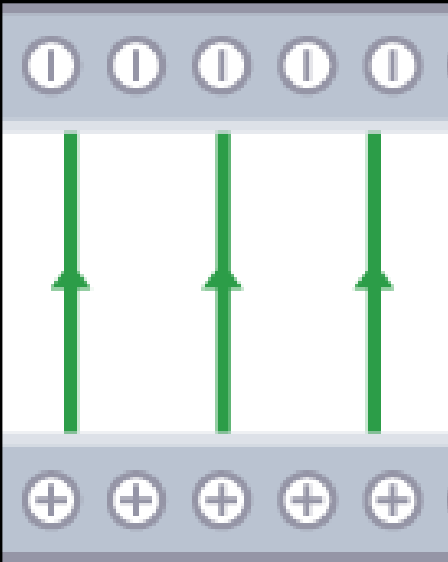
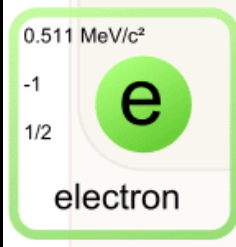
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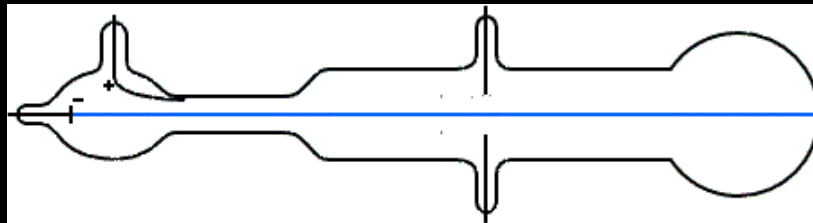
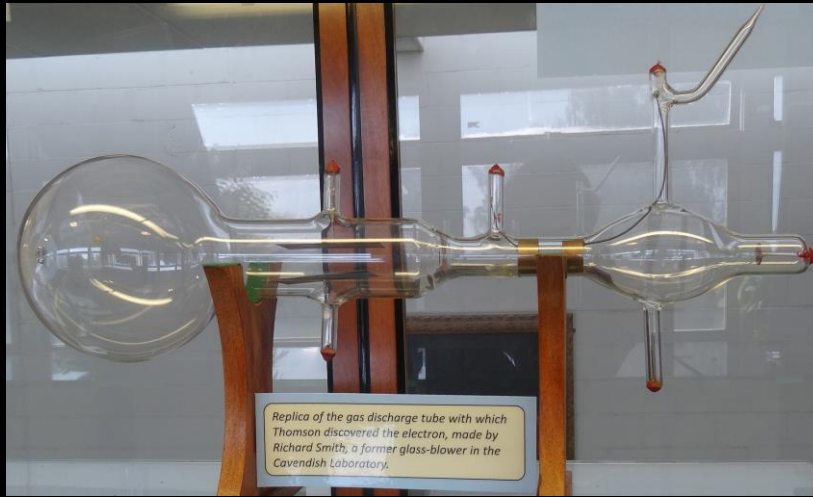
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# The Electron



Electric fields BBC Bitesize



J. J. Thomson (1897)

- Investigated “cathode rays”
    - Deflected in  $\vec{E}$
  - Rays made into beam via slit
    - Passed between Al plates
      - Connected to battery voltage
- $$\vec{F} = q_e \vec{E} = m_e \vec{a}$$
- Deflection!

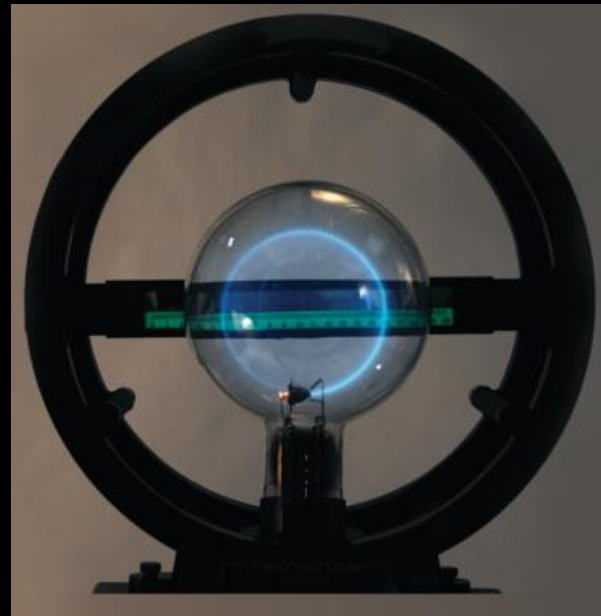
• Charge-to-mass ratio ( $e/m$ )

- Used same apparatus:  $\vec{E}$  &  $\vec{B}$

$$\vec{F} = q_e (\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

- Given curvature  $r$ :

$$\frac{q_e}{m_e} = \frac{|\vec{E}|}{B^2 r} = -1.7882 \times 10^{11} \frac{\text{C}}{\text{kg}}$$

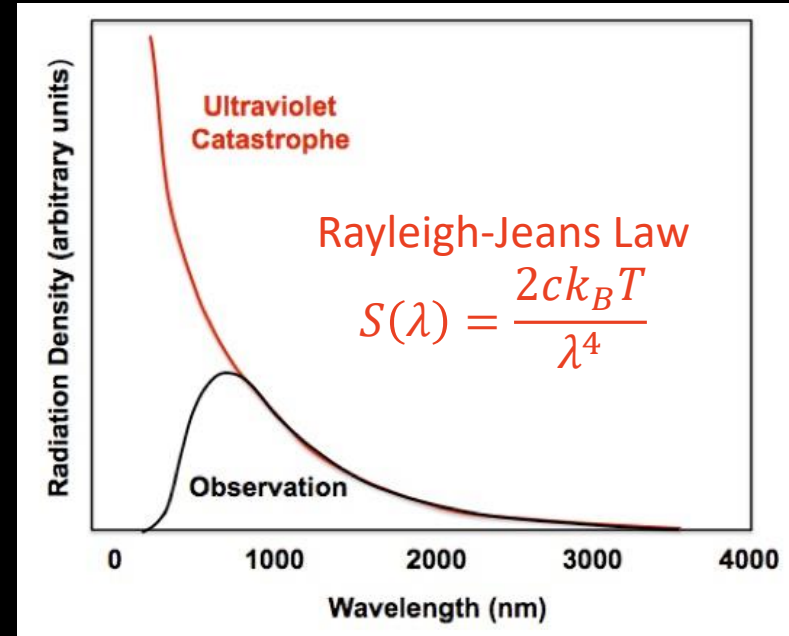


e/m Apparatus | PASCO



# The Planckian Revolution of the “Quanta”

- “Ultraviolet catastrophe” (1900)
  - Black body radiation explanation from [equipartition theorem](#)
  - Jeans law diverges at low  $\lambda$
  - Infinite energy density

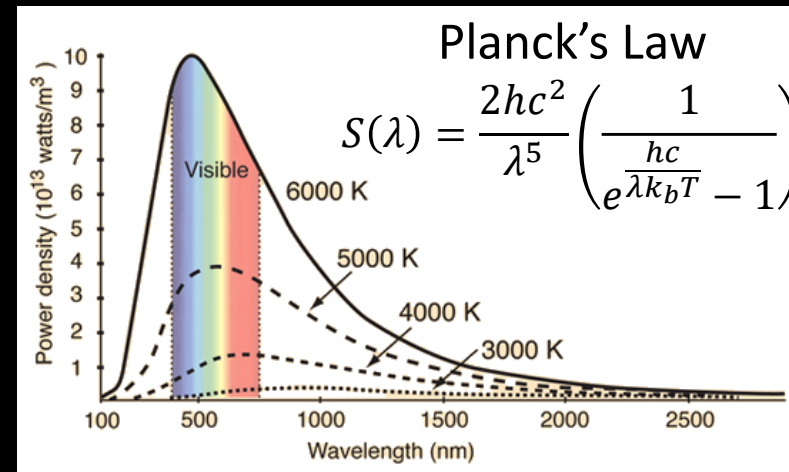


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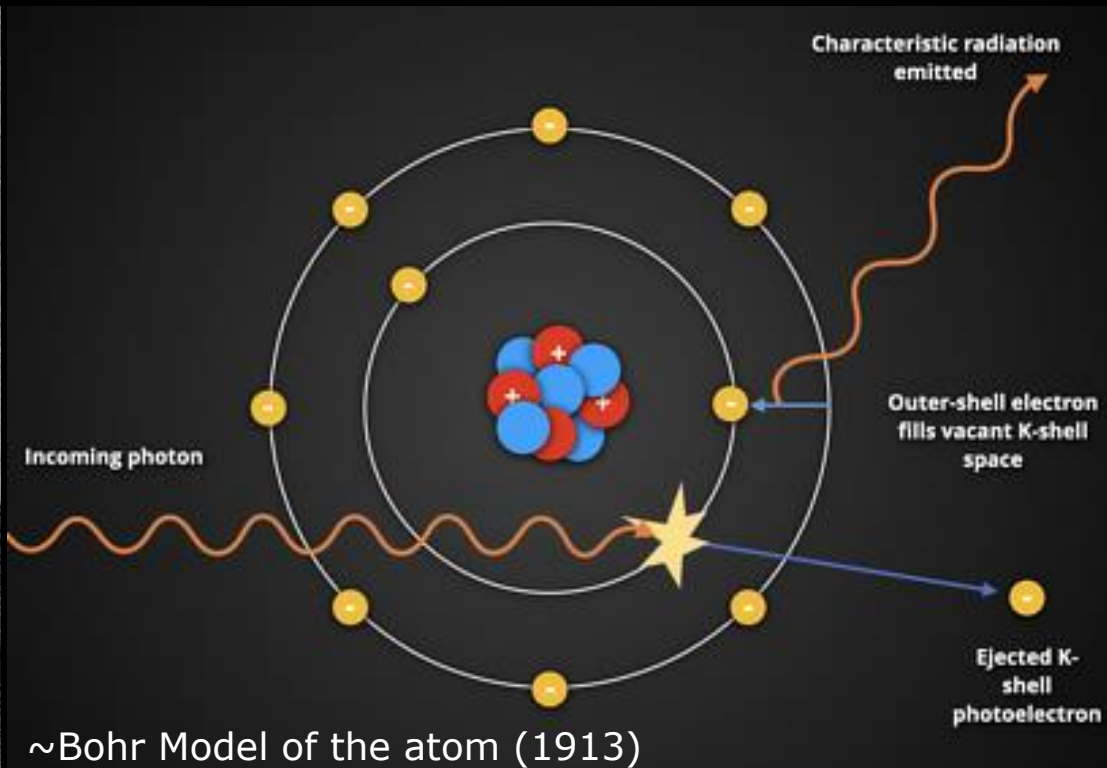
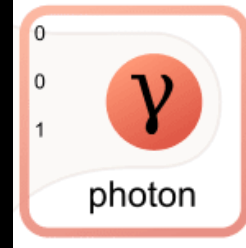
## Max Planck

- Derived correct black body curve
  - Assumed...
    - EM radiation emitted/absorbed as discrete energy *packets*
- $$E_{\text{quanta}} = h\nu = h \frac{c}{\lambda}$$
- Applied to partition function in similar statistical mechanics



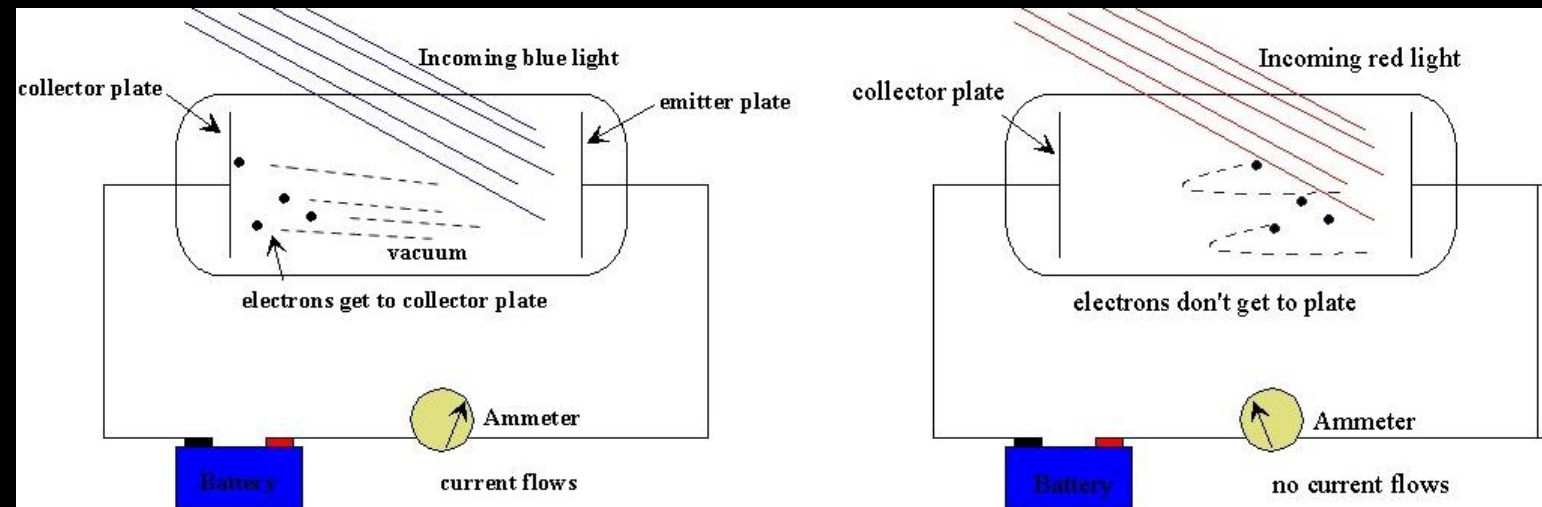
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# The Photon as a Particle



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## Einstein (1905)

- Built on Thomson and Planck's work
- Photons (particles) have characteristic  $E_\gamma$ 
  - Electron (particle) in material has certain "binding energy"
  - Must do *work* to remove from material
- Quantum effect
  - *All* absorbed...
  - ...or *none* at all
  - If  $E_\gamma < W$ , no escape

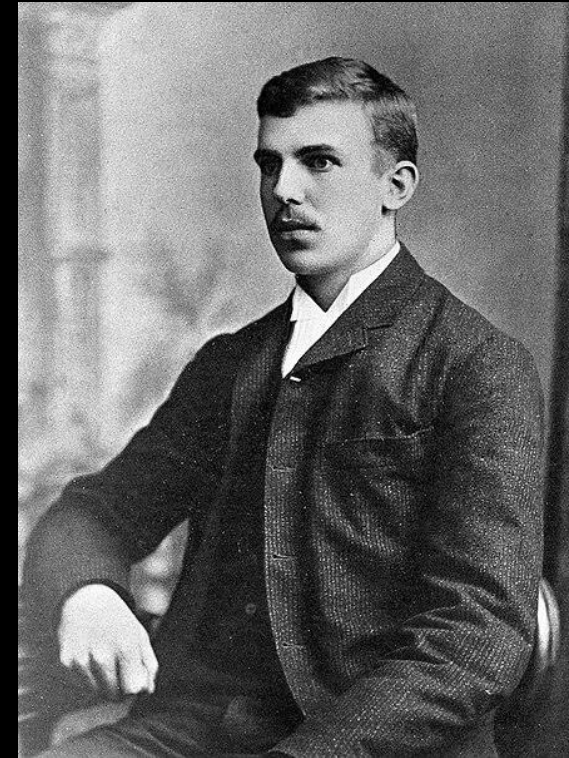
$$K_{max} = h(\nu - \nu_0)$$



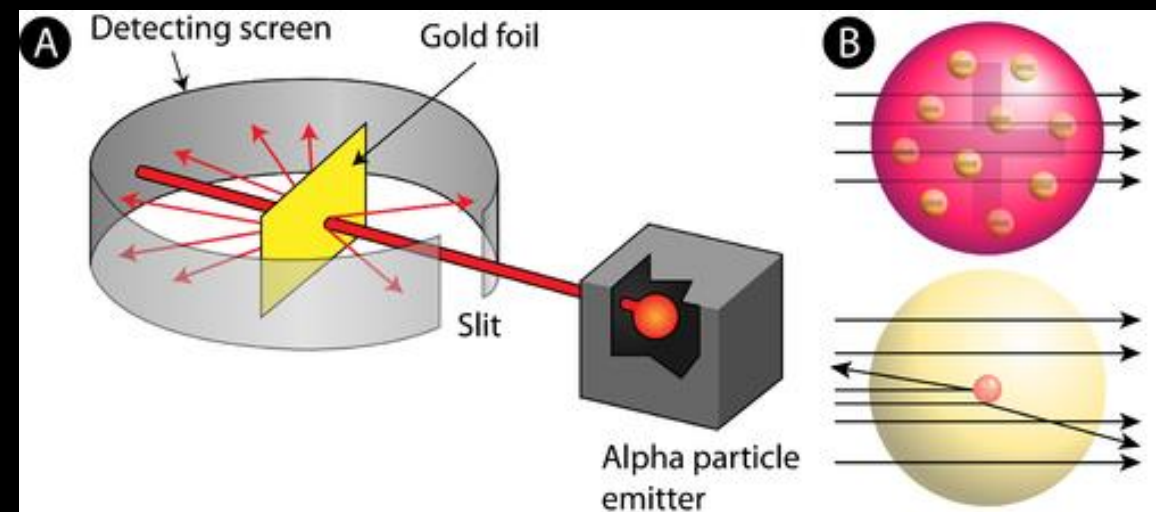
# The Proton

## Ernest Rutherford (1919)

- Renowned for  $\alpha$  particle experiments
  - Discovered atomic nucleus (1911)
    - Alpha particle scattering on Au
- $\alpha$  particles are heavy, don't travel far
  - Activity beyond typical range of  $\alpha$ s in air
    - Scintillation in a detector screen at long range
  - Found interaction occurring on N (enhanced)  
$$^{14}\text{N} + \alpha^{2+} \rightarrow ^{13}\text{C}^- + \alpha^{2+} + p^+ (^1\text{H}^+) \Rightarrow ^{17}\text{O}^+ + p^+ (^1\text{H}^+)$$
- Predicted 3 tracks, **saw 2**
  - 3: Scattering with proton kick out
  - 2: Absorption (and de-excitation)
    - **First nuclear reaction!**
- $\pi\rho\omega\tau\omicron\nu$ —"proton"—"first"
  - "Building block" of all matter
  - $\sim$ Integer multiples of  $^1\text{H}$  mass



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# The Neutron



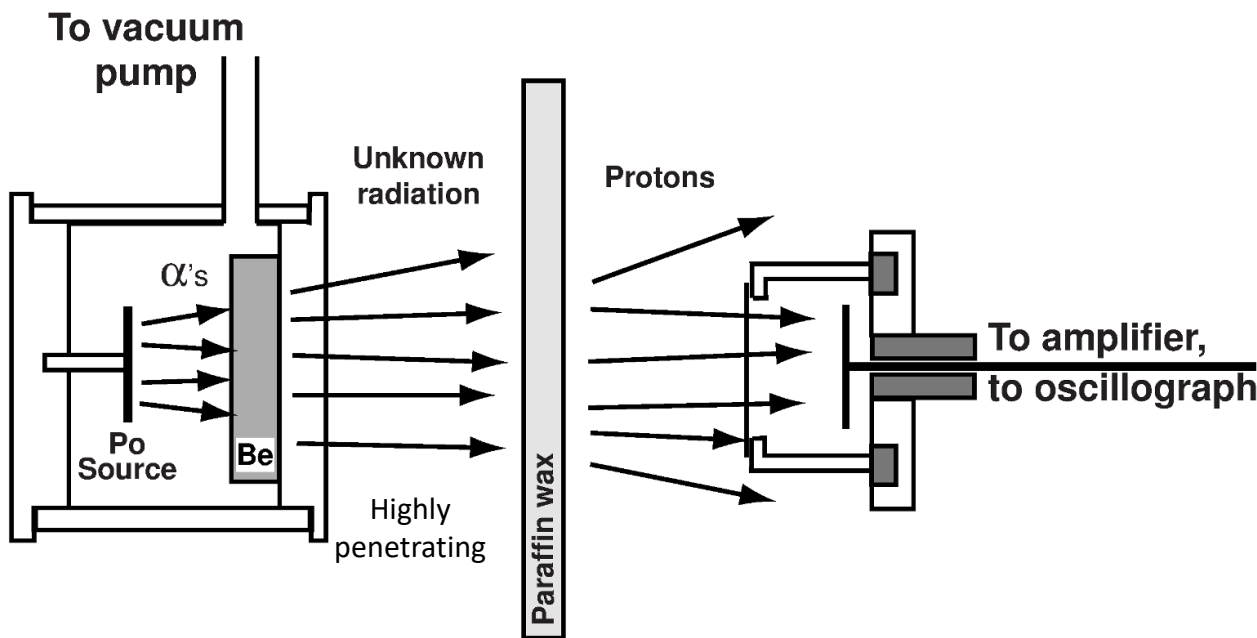
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Irene Joliot-Curie & Frederic Joliot

- Polonium was highly radioactive
  - Marie & Pierre Curie (1898)
 
$$^{210}\text{Po} \rightarrow \alpha + ^{206}\text{Pb}$$
  - Known: an intense unknown radiation could be made via
 
$$\alpha + ^9\text{Be} \rightarrow X$$
  - They saw:
 
$$X + \text{C}_N\text{H}_{N+2} \rightarrow p^+ \text{ (high energy)}$$
  - *They thought*  $X = \gamma$  incorrectly, would have to be too high energy



**James Chadwick (1932)**

- *Predicted:* Rutherford (1920)
  - [Bakerian](#) Lecture at Royal Society
    - Reported  $^3\chi^{2+}$ , assumed  $p^+ + e_n^-$
    - Had to be similar  $m_X \sim m_p$
- Recoil experiments confirmed mass
 
$$^9\text{Be} + \alpha \rightarrow ^{12}\text{C} + n$$



$\approx 0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

1  
 $\frac{1}{2}$

$e^+$

positron

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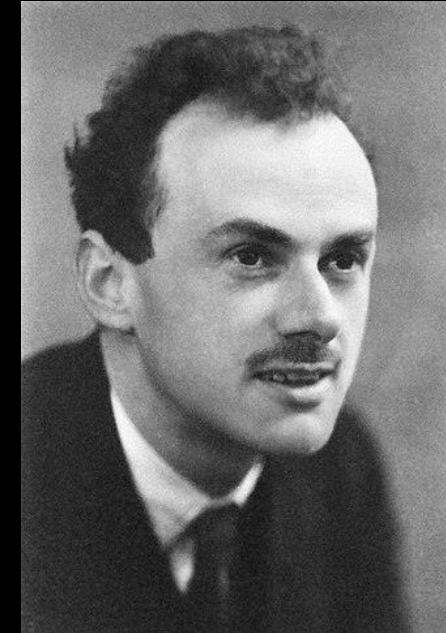
# The Positron & Dirac's Revolution

## Paul Dirac (1928)

- Integrated special relativity & quantum mechanics
- Describes all spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  particles

$$(i\hbar\gamma^\mu\partial_\mu - mc) = 0$$

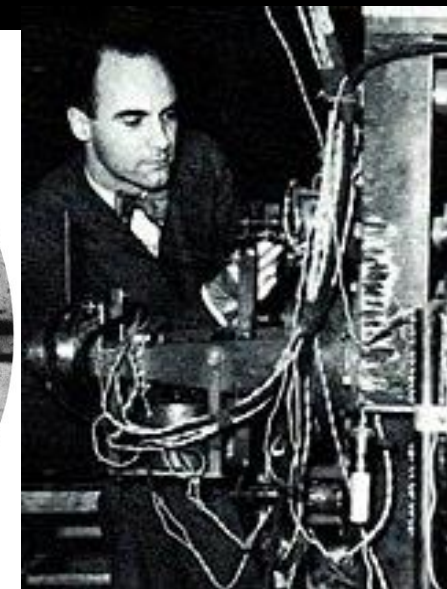
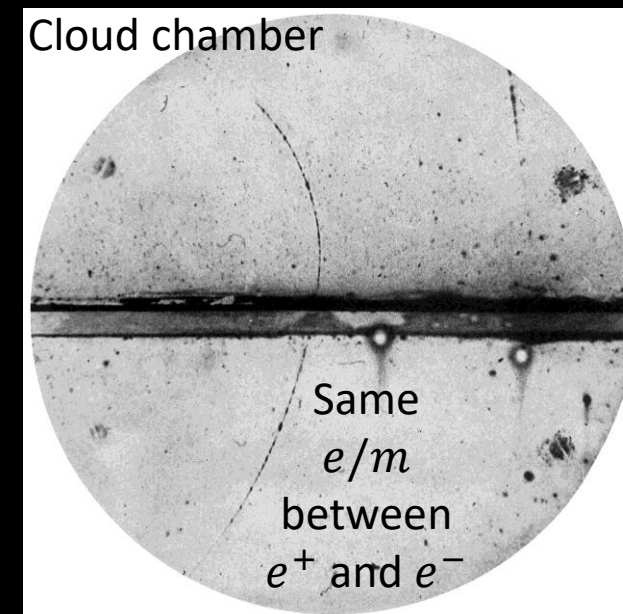
- Built on Pauli's theory of spins, make relativistic
- Requires use of *bispinor* vectors in equation
  - Requires four complex numbers, not only one as in Schrödinger
- Predicted new forms of matter:
  - Negative energy solutions...what do they mean physically?
  - Positive electron—not before seen...could it be the proton?
  - Oppenheimer: emphatically "no", would imply instability of atom



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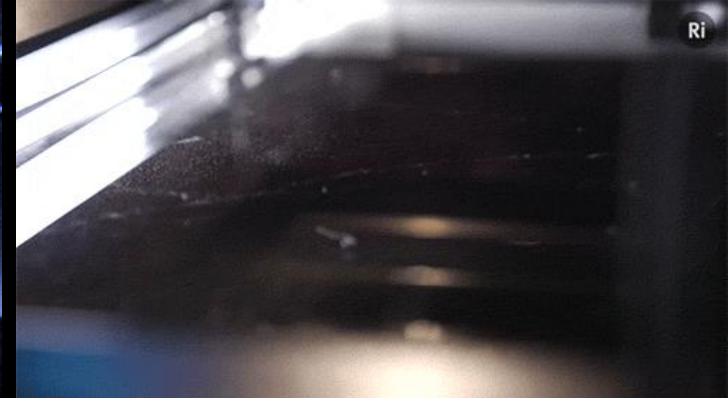
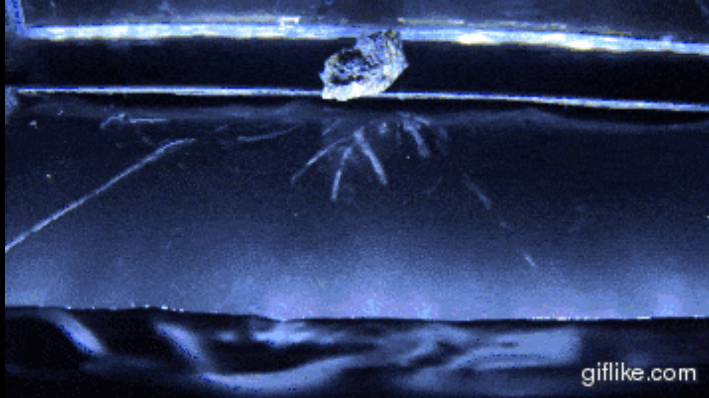
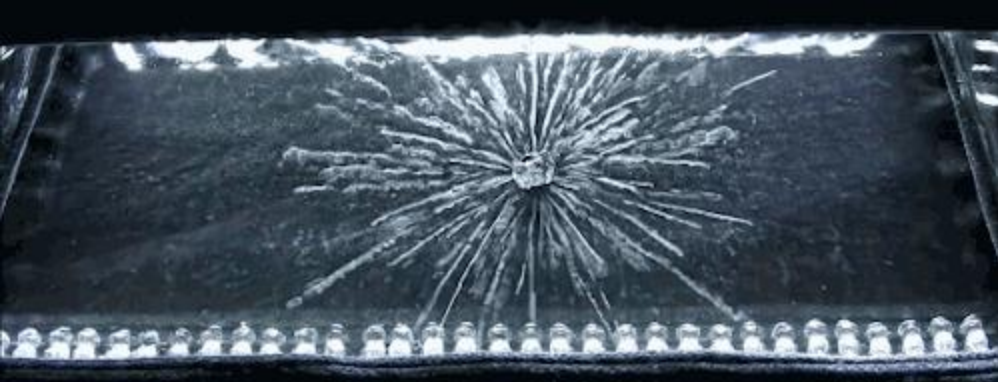
## Carl Anderson (1932)—also discovered $\mu$

- Cosmic rays passing through cloud chamber with lead plate in a magnetic field
- Inspired by Caltech classmate C.-Y. Chao (1929)
  - Initial work was inconclusive and not followed up on
  - Positrons appear in Joliot-Curie photographic plates
  - Completed *annus mirabilis* at Cavendish, but waited to publish
  - "Positron" name taken by suggestion from *Phys. Rev.* editor
- Discovery of "antimatter"



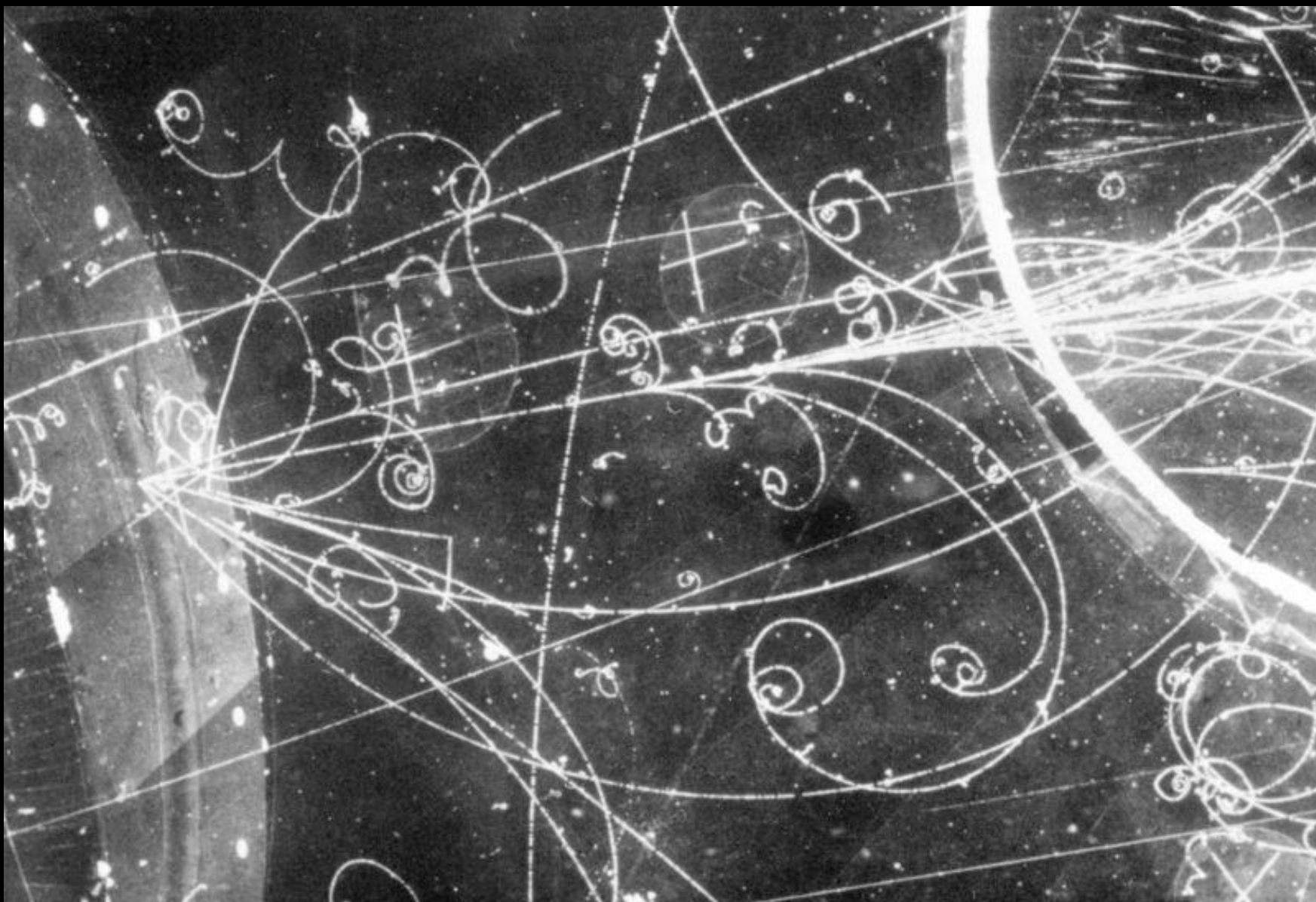
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# The Pion (and Kaon)

Predicted by Hideki Yukawa (1935)

- Carriers of the *strong nuclear force*
    - $m_{\pi} \sim 100 \text{ MeV}/c^2$  from size of nucleus
    - $\mu$  (previously "mu meson") was candidate
- Cecil Powell (1947)

- Method w/ photographic emulsions

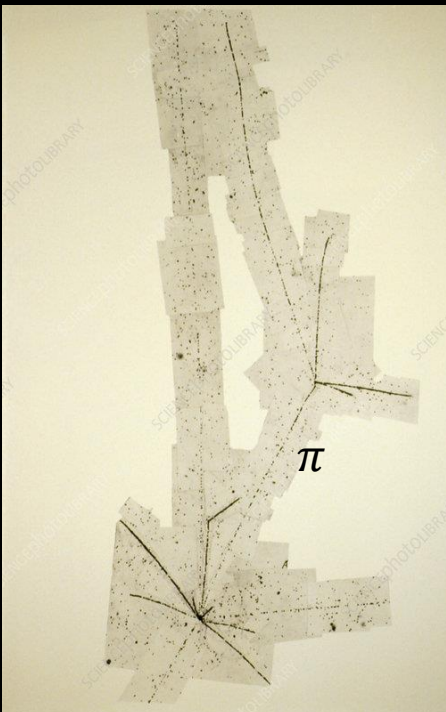
- Fine suspension (colloid) of insoluble light-sensitive crystals in gelatin (Nobel 1950)

- Exposed plates at high-altitude

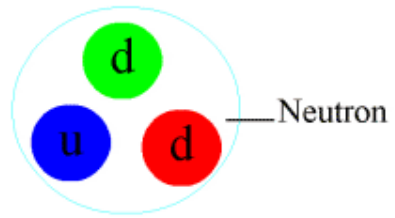
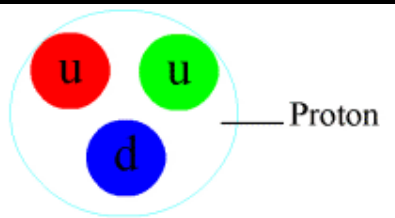
- Must utilize high energy cosmic rays



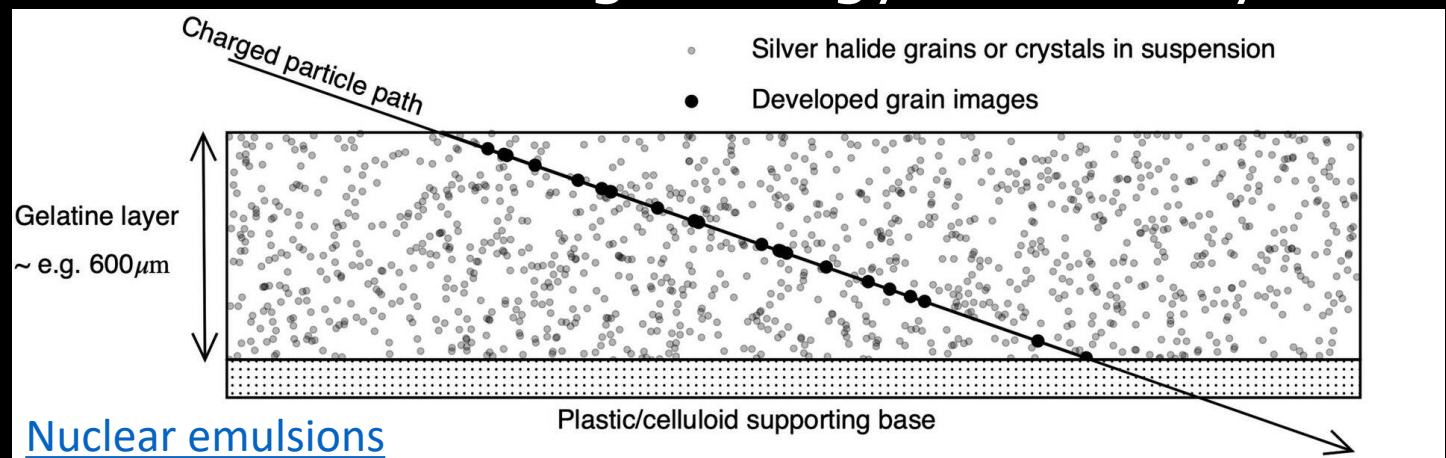
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Emulsion photo of a cosmic ray pion  
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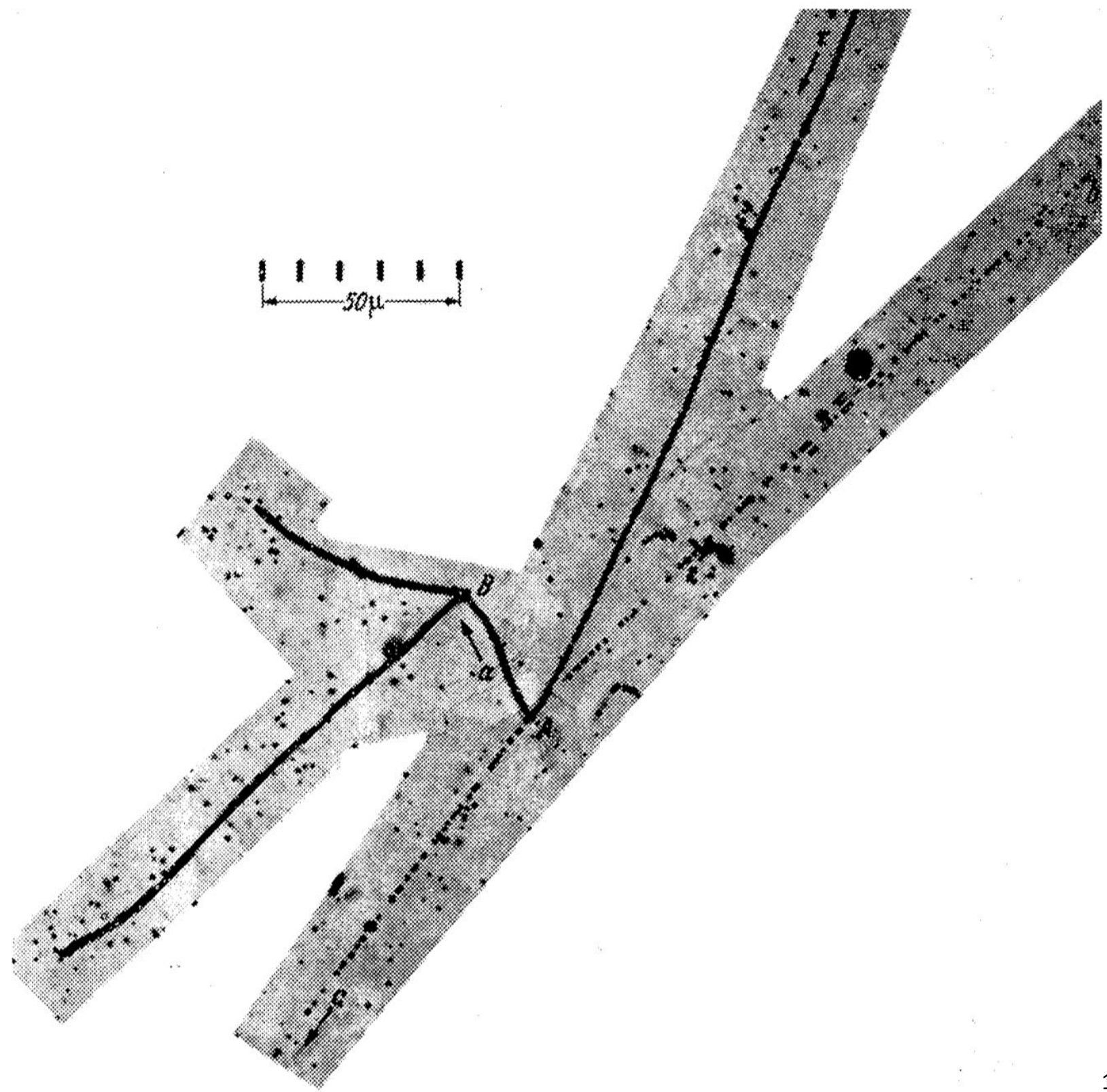


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Nuclear emulsions

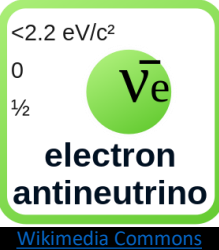






# The Electron Neutrino ( $\nu_e$ )

## The Problem of $\beta$ Decay



### $\beta$ -decay of nuclei

- Instability of  $n$ 
  - Decays to slightly lighter  $p$
- Theorized to be  $\sim 2$ -body
  - Resulted in single value  $E_\beta$

James Chadwick (1914)

- Observed cont. spectrum
  - $\rightarrow E_\beta \subset (0, E_{max})$

Wolfgang Pauli (1930)

- Pred. light neutral particle
  - "Neutron"

Enrico Fermi (1931, 1933)

- "Little neutral one" – neutrino
- Landmark theory of  $\beta$  decay
  - Quantum mechanical
  - "Weak" processes hard to detect

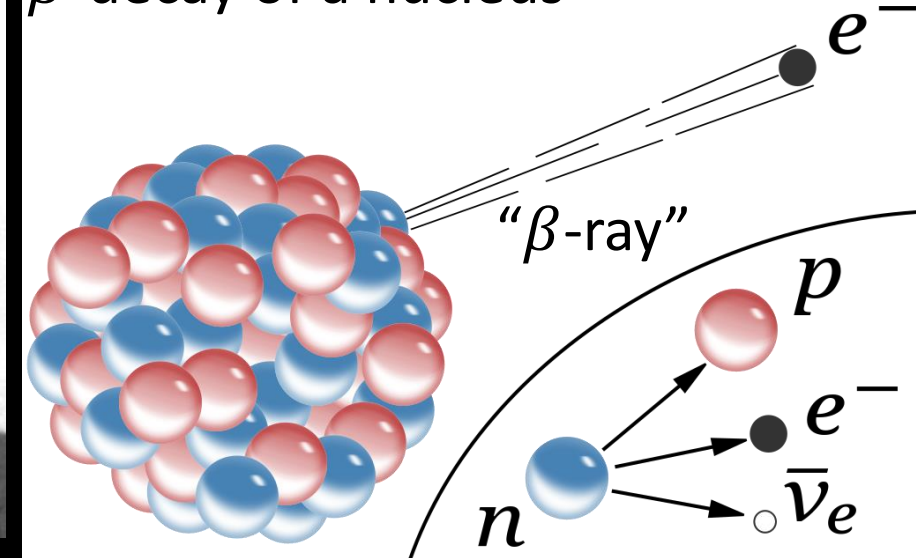


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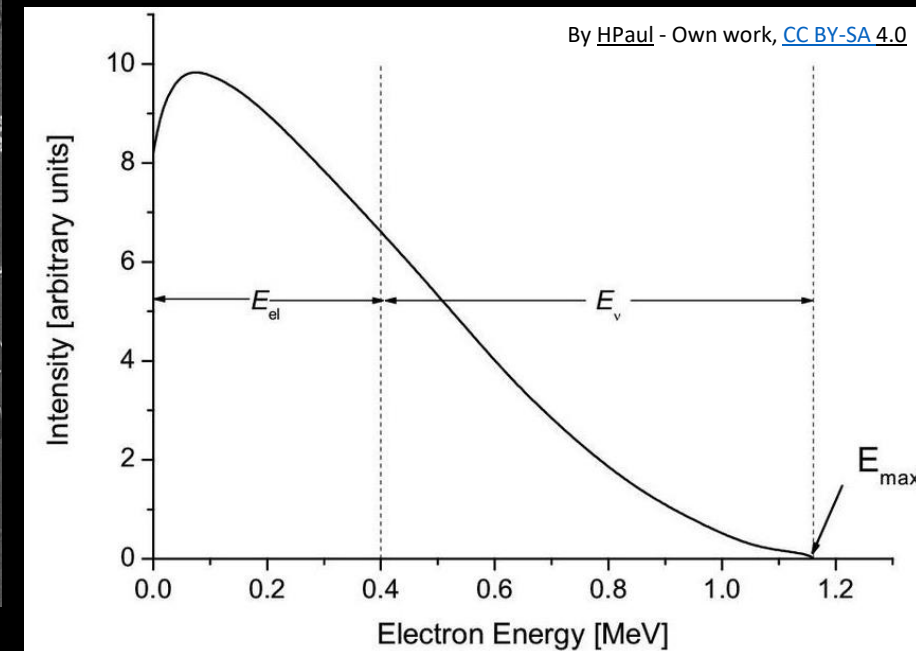


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### $\beta$ -decay of a nucleus



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# The Electron Neutrino ( $\nu_e$ )

## The Cowan & Reines Experiment

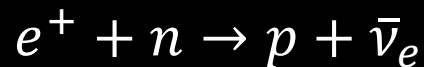
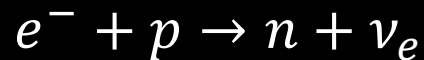


From Fermi, one can begin predicting many possible reactions:

- $\beta$  decay (known)



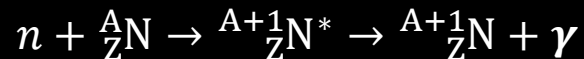
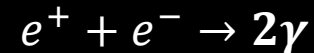
- $\beta$  capture (somewhat known)



- Inverse  $\beta$  decay (prediction)



- The final of these offers tantalizing experimental possibilities
- Coincidence of



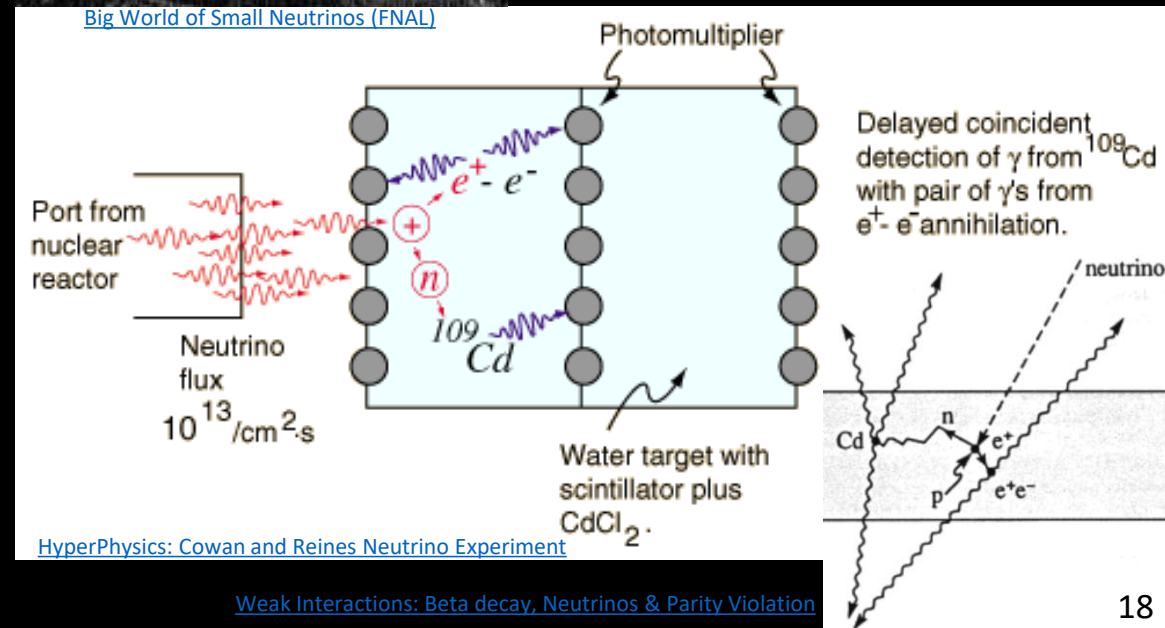
## Cowan and Reines (1956)

- Used Savannah River nuclear plant
- Utilized 110 fast photomultiplier tubes
  - Water detector with dissolved cadmium
- Looked for coincidence of  $2\gamma_F + \gamma_S$ 
  - Within  $5\mu\text{s}$



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Big World of Small Neutrinos (FNAL)

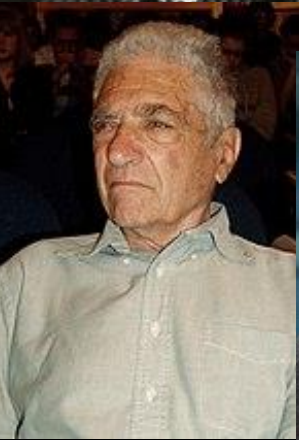


HyperPhysics: Cowan and Reines Neutrino Experiment



# The Muon Neutrino ( $\nu_\mu$ )

Physics (APS) - Discovery of a 2nd Kind of Neutrino  
From Brookhaven National Laboratory



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- Knowing charged pions decay weakly

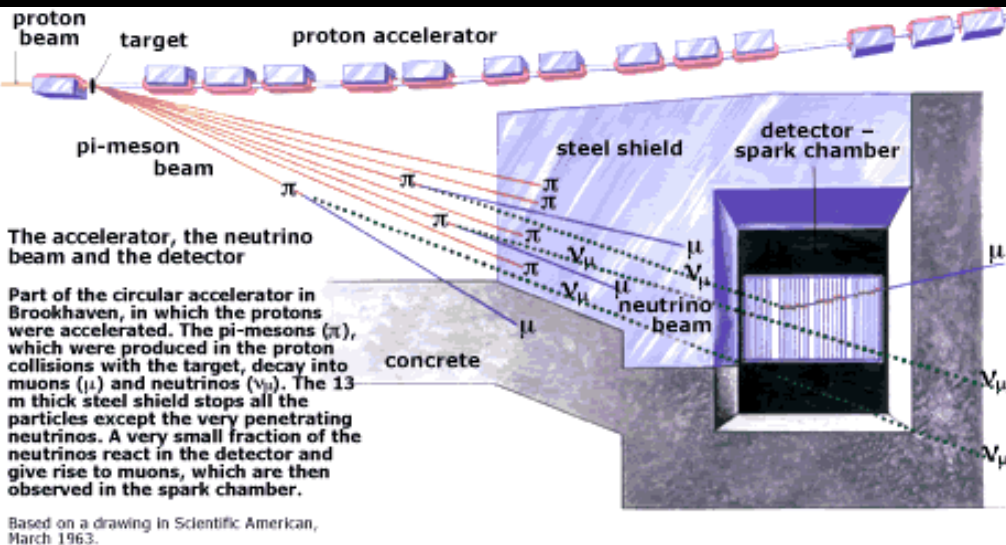
$$\pi^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm + \nu_\mu(\bar{\nu}_\mu)$$

and similarly that muons decay via

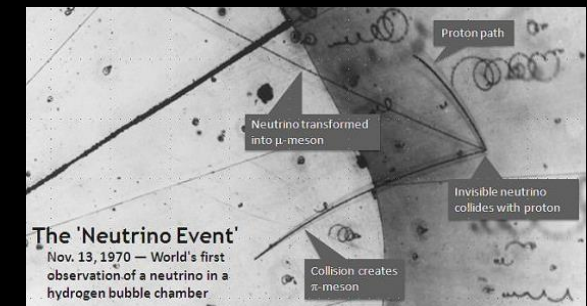
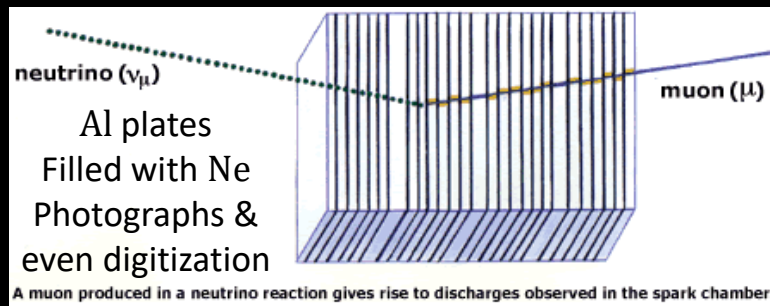
$$\mu^\pm \rightarrow \nu_\mu(\bar{\nu}_\mu) + e^\pm + \nu_e(\bar{\nu}_e)$$

One can conceive of creating a  $\nu$  beam

- Controlling upstream charged particles!
- M. Schwarz, L. Lederman, J. Steinberger
- Created  $\pi^\pm$  beam, impinged steel wall



- Blocked most  $\pi^\pm$  and  $\mu^\pm$
- Decayed quickly, made  $\nu_\mu$  predominately





# The Quarks and Gluons (Partons)

Murray Gell-Mann (1961)

- Three-Quark Model (*a la Finnegan's Wake*)
- The Eightfold Way (*a la Buddha*)
  - $SU(3)$  flavor sym.—only a mathematical tool?
    - Mathematical group theory representation
    - Rotations of "flavor" via vector transformations

$$u \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, d \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, s \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Spin-0 meson octet (later nonet)
- Spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  baryon octet & spin- $\frac{3}{2}$  decuplet
  - Yielded prediction of the  $\Omega^-$  baryon (1962→1964)

Electron scattering at SLAC (1969)

- Showed point-like objects within  $p$ 
  - The proton is not elementary!

Richard Feynman (1969)

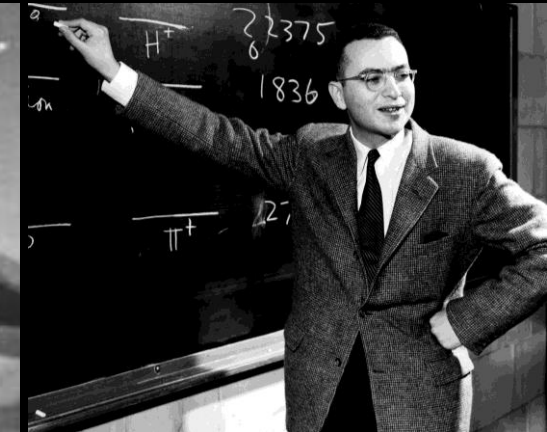
- "Partons" within hadrons ( $p, n, \pi, \dots$ ) *are real*

James Bjorken (1975)

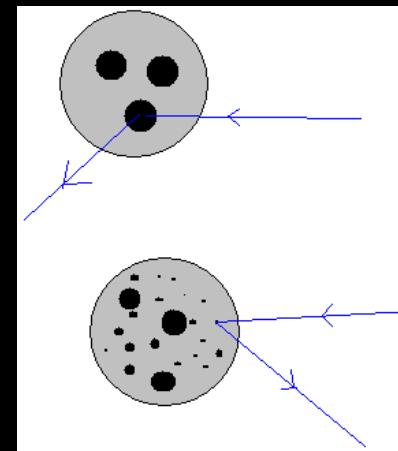
- Partons *are* quarks & gluons
- Explains SLAC electron scattering data



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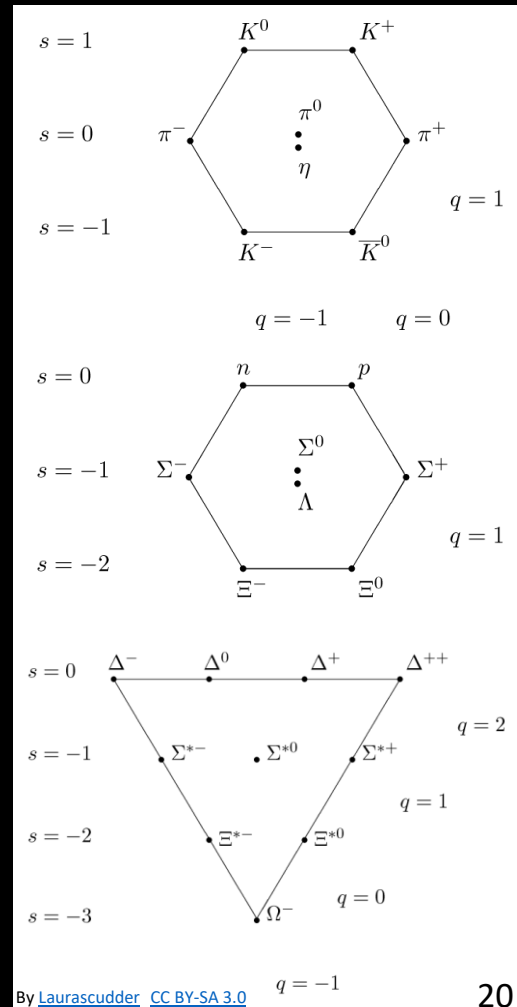
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Bjorken scaling



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# The Quarks and Gluons (Partons)

## Glashow, Iliopoulos, & Maiani (1970)

- GIM mechanism required charm quark
  - Arguments from unitarity beyond Cabibbo
    - Original Cabibbo matrix was only  $4 \times 4$ , needed more!
  - Charm predicted by Glashow and Bjorken (1964)



50 Years of the GIM Mechanism – CERN Courier

H.-J. He, J. Ellis, J. Iliopoulos, S. L. Glashow, V. Riquer & L. Maiani

## Kobayashi & Maskawa (1973)

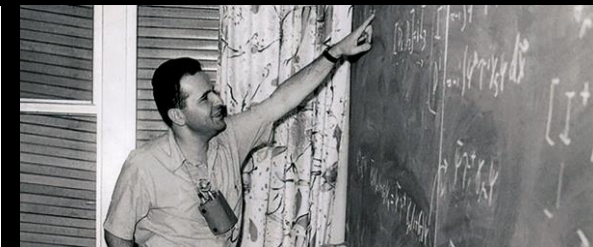
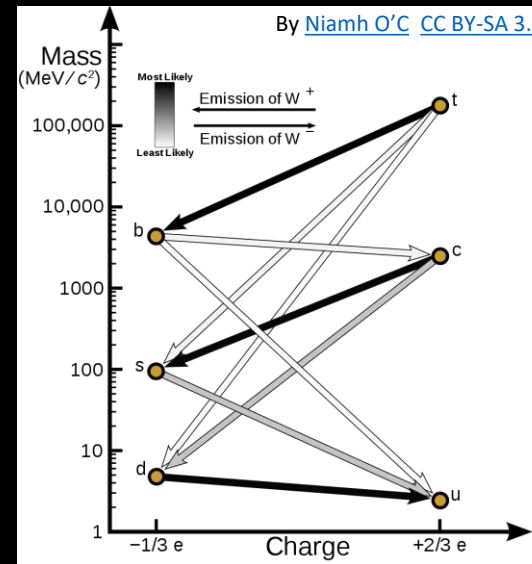
- Two new flavors required
  - Bottom (beauty) & top (truth)
- Quark mixing via weak interactions

$$\begin{bmatrix} (d' & u') \\ (s' & c') \\ (b' & t') \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (d & u) \\ (s & c) \\ (b & t) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Use of Cabibbo angle for rotations (1963)

## Richter (SLAC) and Ting (BNL)

- Discovery of  $J/\psi$  charmed meson
  - “[November Revolution](#)” of 1974



The Cabibbo angle, 60 years later – CERN Courier



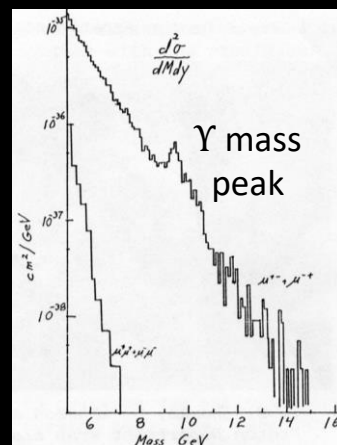
Nobel rewards for work on broken symmetry

## Lederman team at FNAL

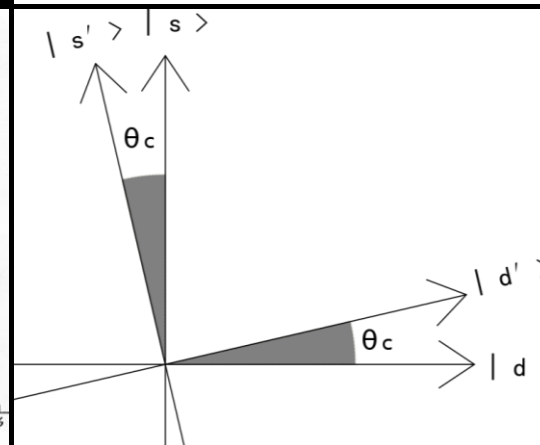
- [Bottom quark from  \$\Upsilon\$  meson](#)
  - Lifetime:  $1.21 \times 10^{-21}$  s

## CDF & DO at FNAL Tevatron

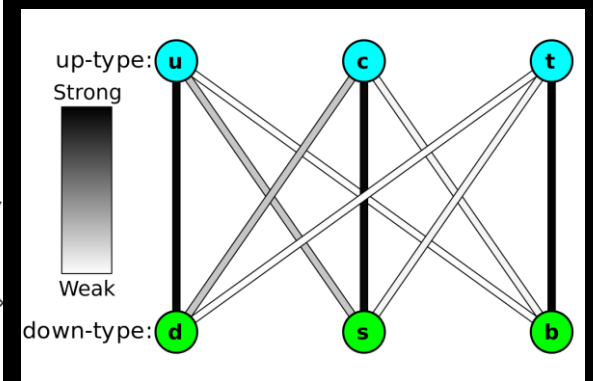
- Top quark (1995)
- DESY three-jet events
- Gluon (1979)



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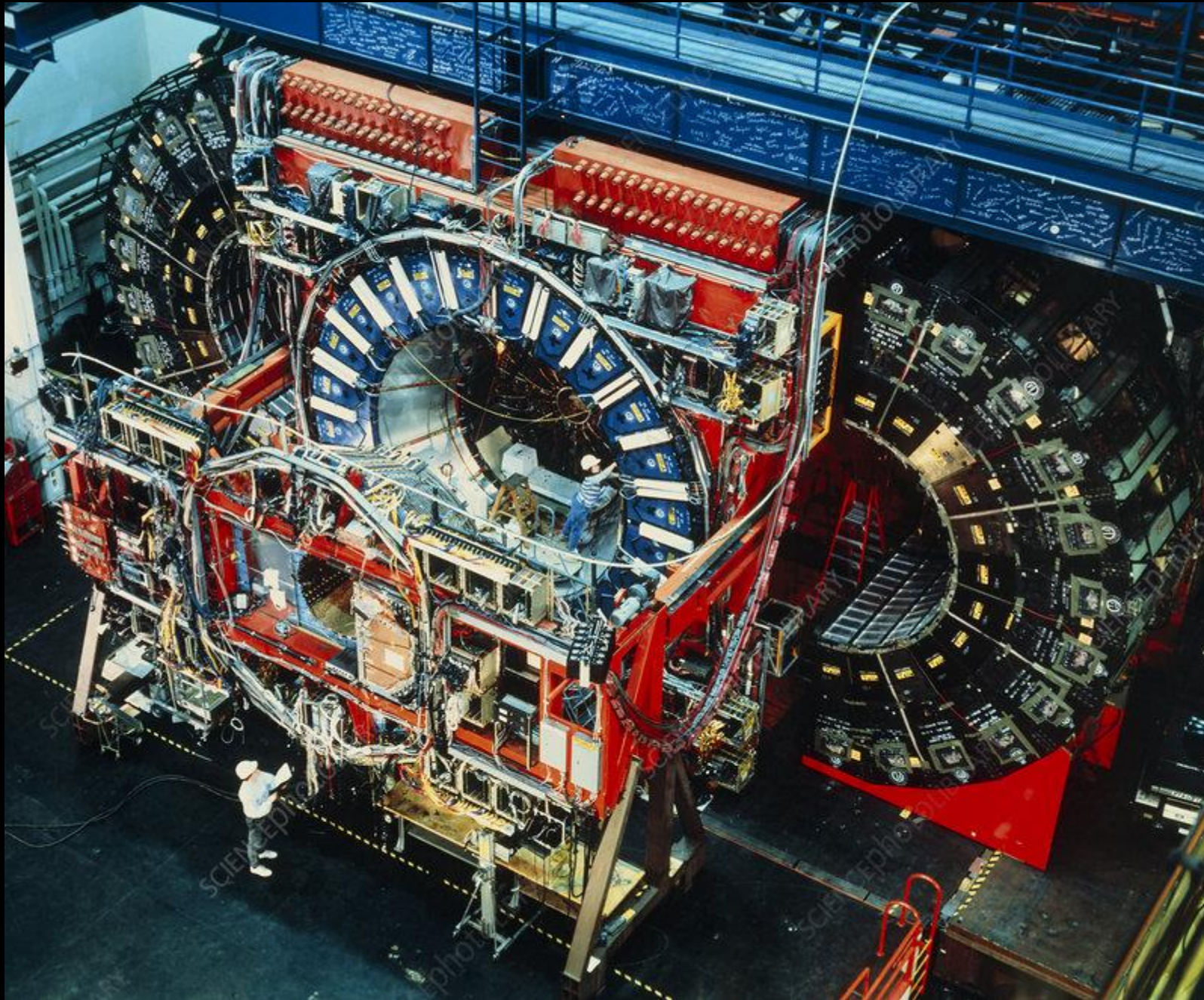


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# Three Generations of Elementary Matter

	mass →	$\approx 2.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 1.275 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$\approx 173.07 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
charge →	$2/3$	$2/3$	$2/3$	$2/3$
spin →	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$
QUARKS		<b>u</b> up	<b>c</b> charm	<b>t</b> top
		$2/3$	$2/3$	$2/3$
		$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$
		<b>d</b> down	<b>s</b> strange	<b>b</b> bottom
		$-1/3$	$-1/3$	$-1/3$
		$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$
LEPTONS		$0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$105.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$1.777 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
		<b>e</b> electron	<b><math>\mu</math></b> muon	<b><math>\tau</math></b> tau
		$-1$	$-1$	$-1$
		$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$
		$< 2.2 \text{ eV}/c^2$	$< 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$< 15.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
		<b><math>\nu_e</math></b> electron neutrino	<b><math>\nu_\mu</math></b> muon neutrino	<b><math>\nu_\tau</math></b> tau neutrino
	$0$	$0$	$0$	
	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	

# Putting it all together...

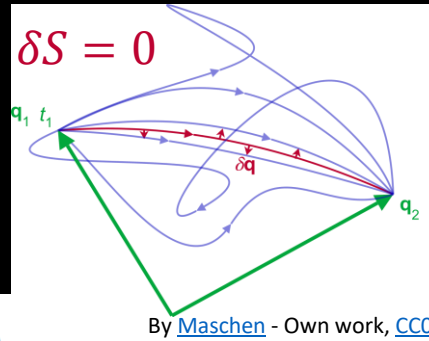
Quantum Field Theory



# Symmetries & Conservation Laws



[Lagrangian Mechanics](#)  
[Hamilton's Principle](#)  
[UCSD: The Physics of Noether's Theorem](#)  
[Lagrangian Classical Field Theory](#)  
[Path Integral Formulation of QM](#)



Consider a transformation in a single coordinate  $q$

- Cont. symmetry:  
 $\varphi: q(t) \rightarrow q(t) + \delta q(t)$   
 where  $q(t)$  is a trajectory

**Examples in classical physics:**

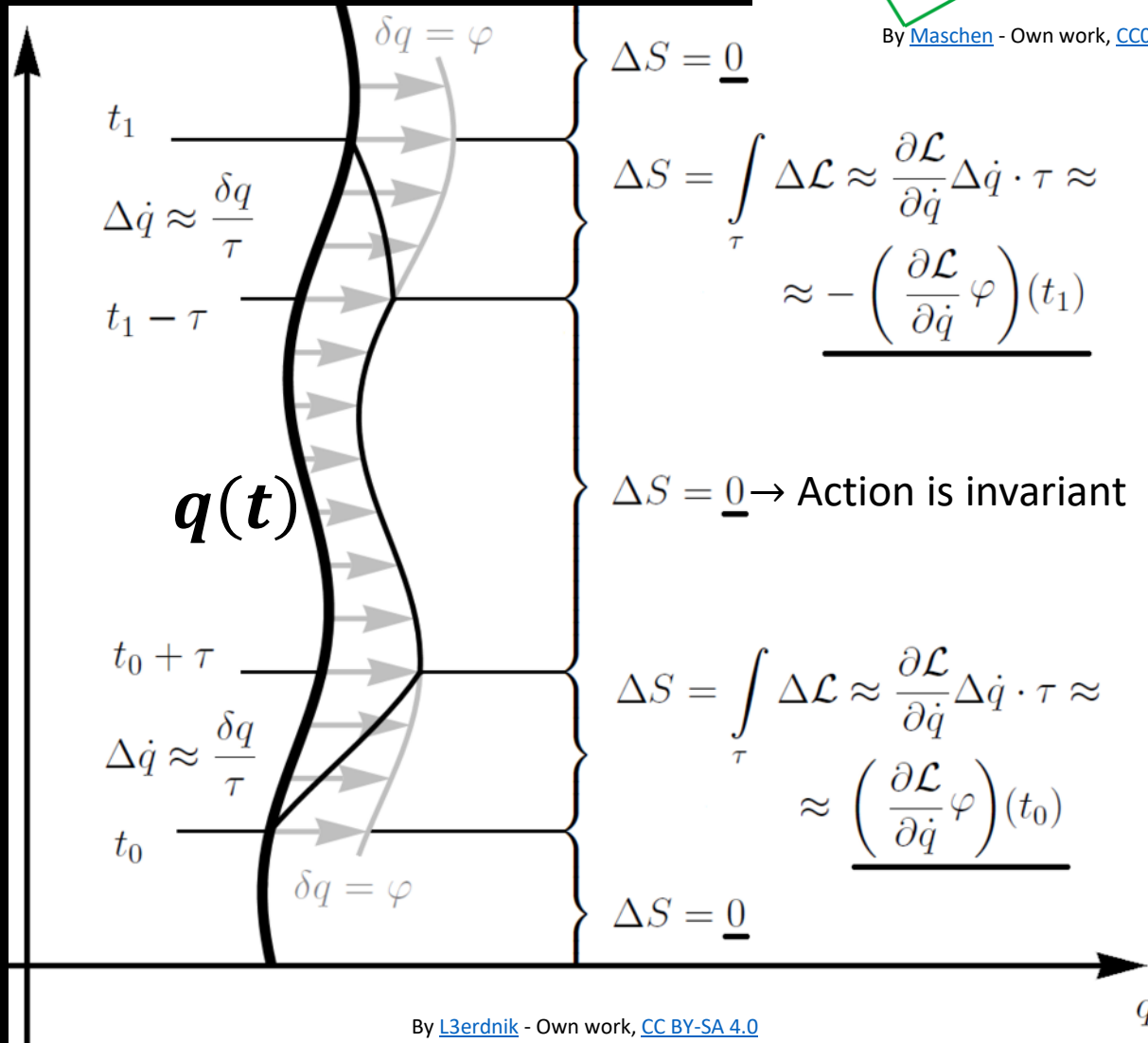
- **If symmetric in time...**
  - Energy conserved!
- **If symmetric in space...**
  - Momentum conserved!
- **Symmetric under rotations...**
  - Ang. momentum conserved!

Used everywhere!

- Classical dynamics
- General relativity
- Quantum field theory

“Noether was the most significant creative mathematical genius thus far produced since the higher education of women began.”

-Albert Einstein, *The New York Times*



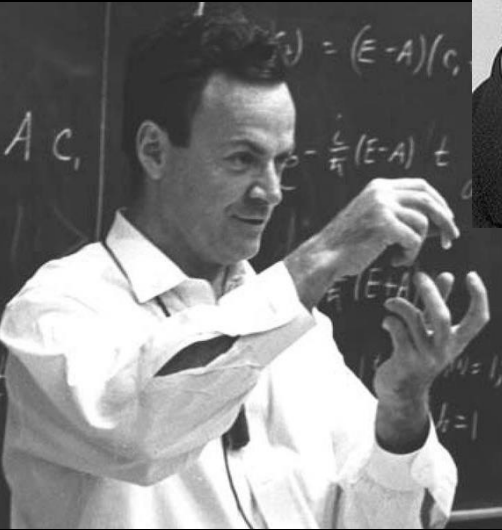
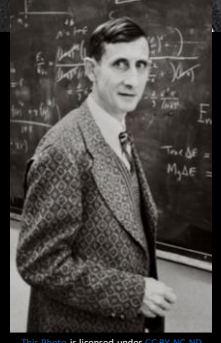
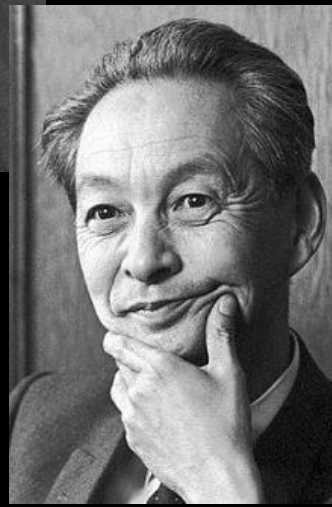
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“If a system has a continuous symmetry property, then there are corresponding quantities whose values are conserved...”

-W. J. Thompson, *Angular Momentum*

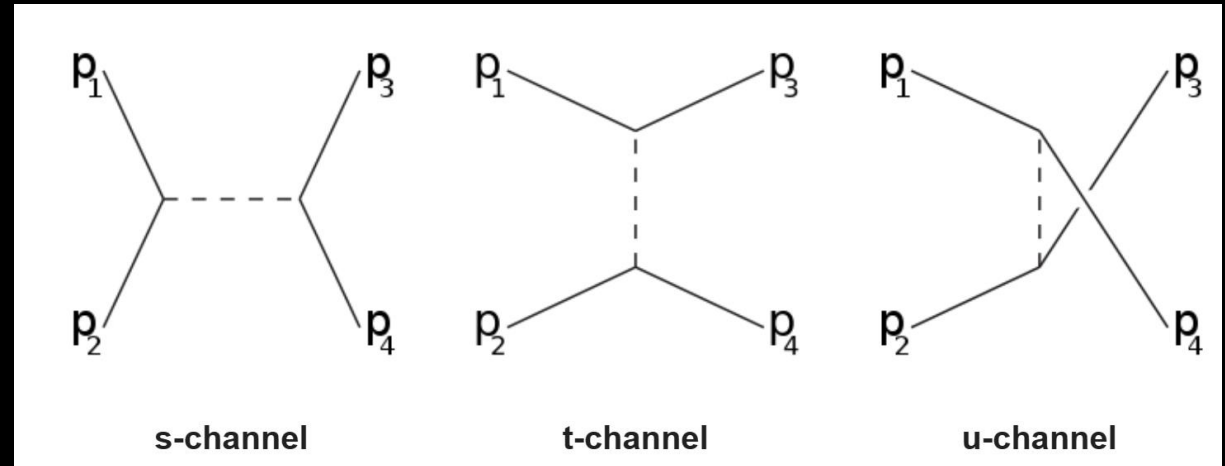
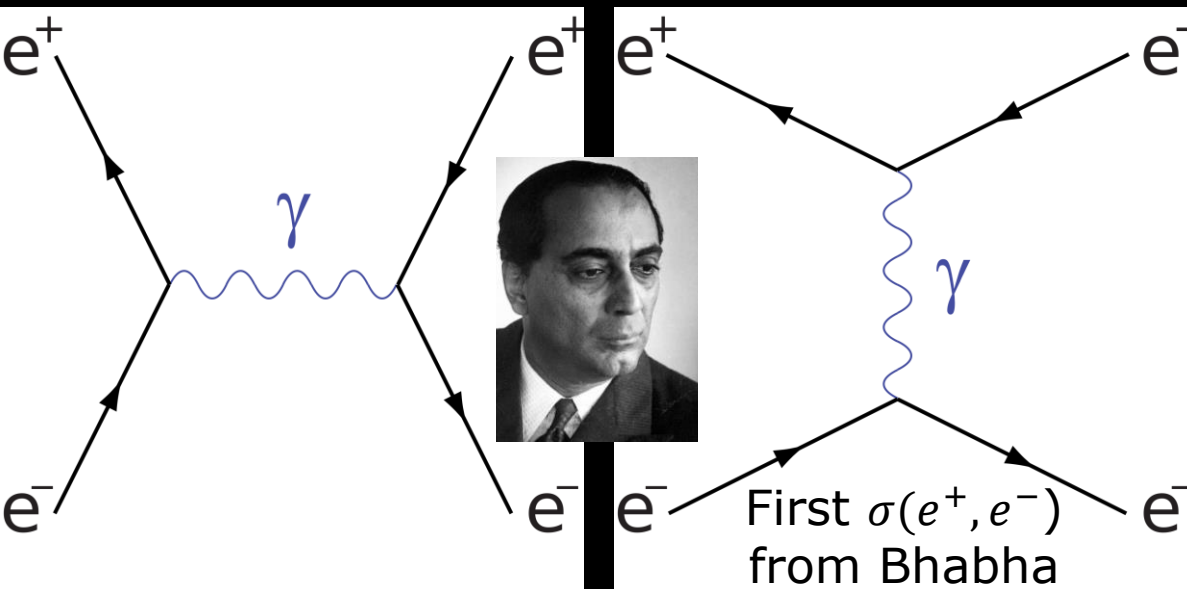
# Quantum Electrodynamics: $U(1)$

- Term due to Dirac
  - Quantization of EM field as harm. osc.
  - Creation and annihilation operators
- First full theory developed by Fermi
  - Worked to 1<sup>st</sup> order, diverged after
  - Bethe: 1<sup>st</sup> ideas of "renormalization"
- Schwinger, Tomanaga, Feynman
  - Feynman's math based on his diagrams
    - Unique, direct view of perturbation theory
    - Approaches were equivalent (Dyson series)
  - Attached physical meanings to infinities
- Template for all other QFTs
  - Conserved electric current



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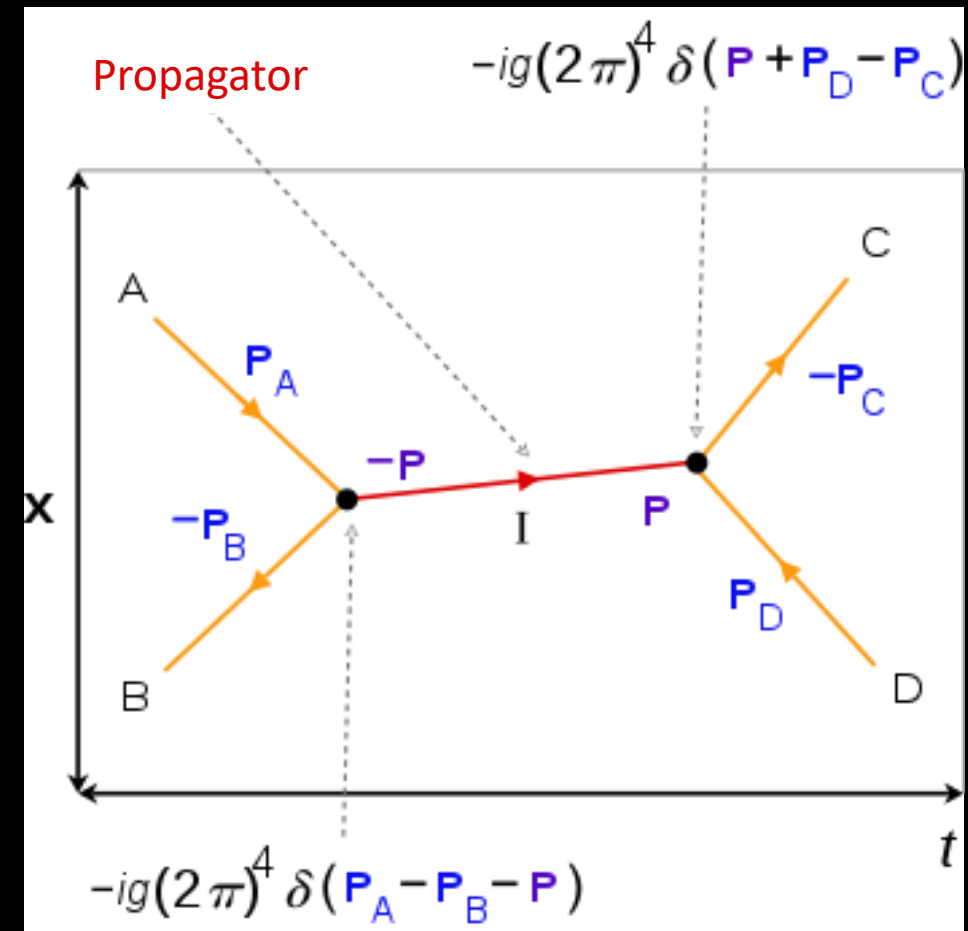
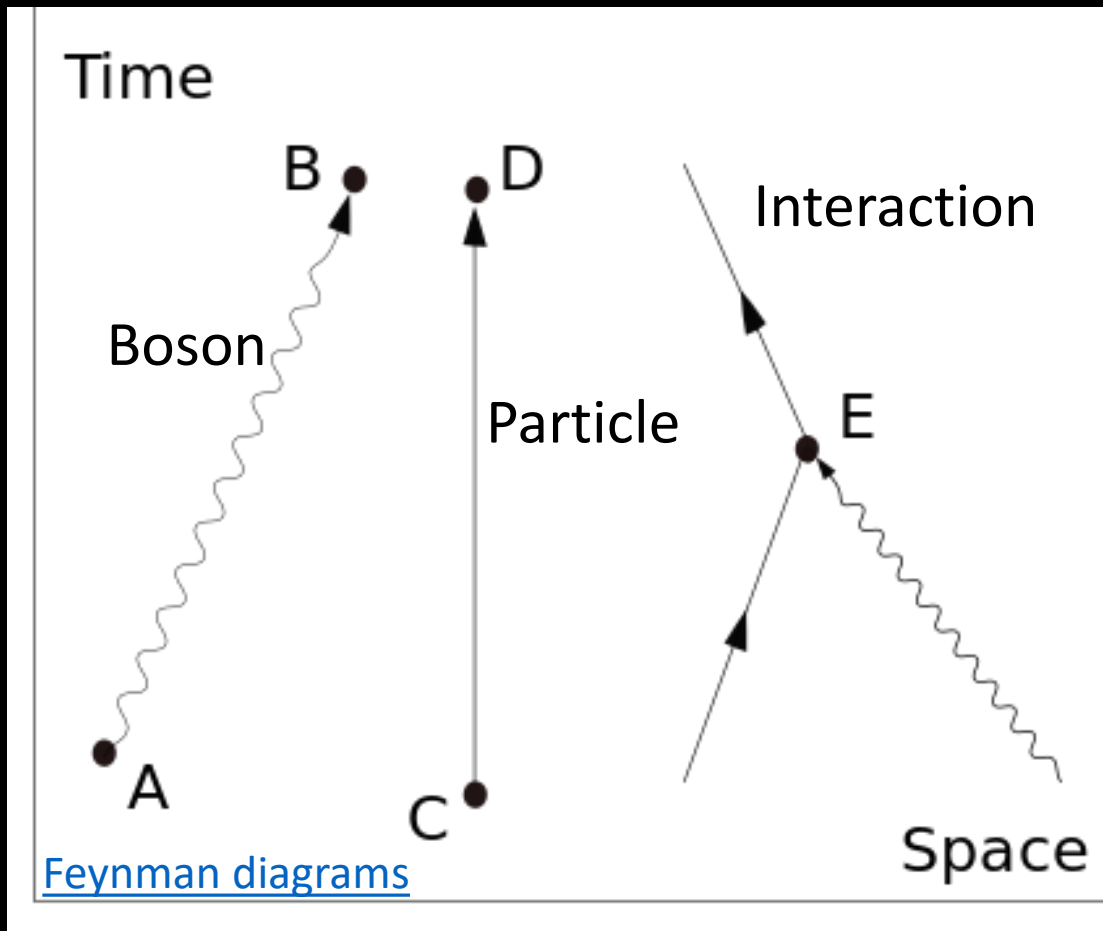
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[Mandelstam variables](#)



# Elements of Feynman Diagrams



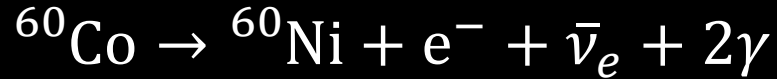
Particle interactions mediated by (virtual gauge) bosons

- Vertex must be "dimension"  $d = 4$  (generally true for all SM)
  - Particles (electrons, positrons in QED) are  $d = \frac{3}{2}$
  - Bosons (photons in QED) are  $d = 1$
  - Summing for interactions:  $d = d_1 + d_2 + d_3 = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2} + 1 = 4 \Leftrightarrow \sim \phi^4$  [theory](#)

# Electroweak Unification: $SU(2) \times U(1)$

Madame C. S. Wu

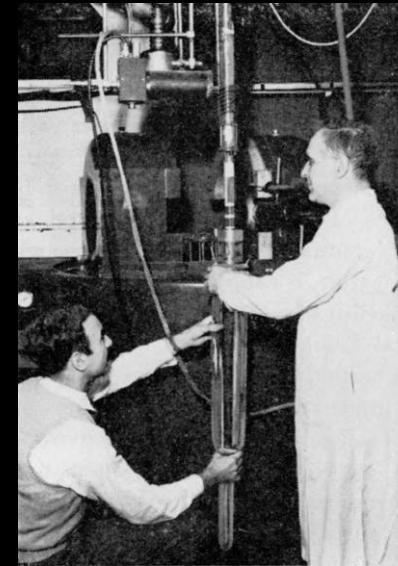
- Studied  $\beta$  decays of  $^{60}\text{Co}$



- Found *preferred* direction for outgoing  $\gamma$ s
  - Unexpected! **Spatial parity is not conserved!**
  - Required a new view of weak & EM interactions *together* with a distinct handedness

Glashow, Salam (1964), Weinberg (1967)

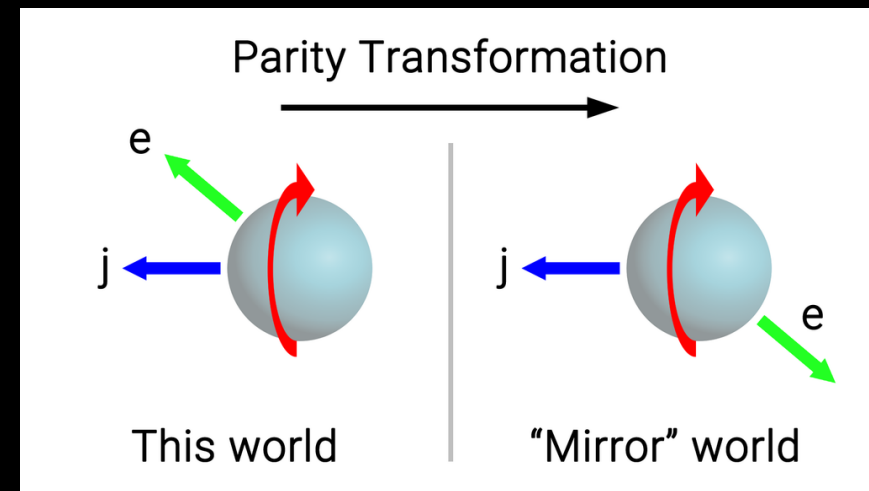
- $Z$  boson predicted, but non-renormalizable
- Predicted massless photon, three massive bosons
- Found symmetries predicting masses of  $W^\pm$  &  $Z$  bosons
  - Claimed was renormalizable
  - Incorporated spontaneous symmetry breaking
  - T'Hooft proved this
- Unified EM and weak interaction:  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ 
  - Conserved weak isospin and weak hypercharge  $Y$



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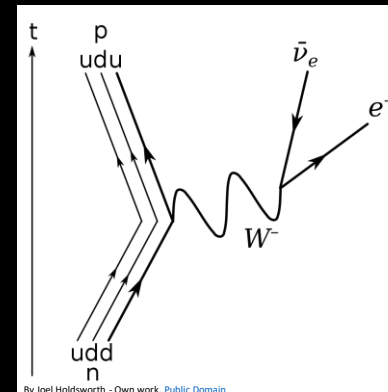
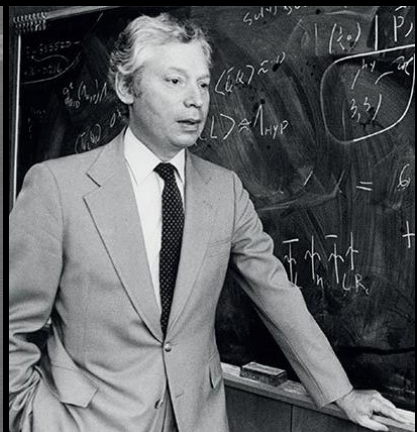
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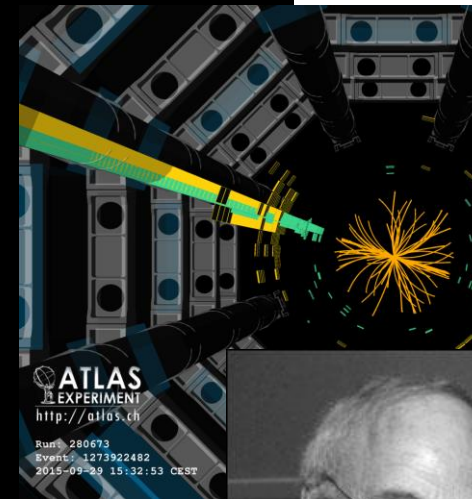
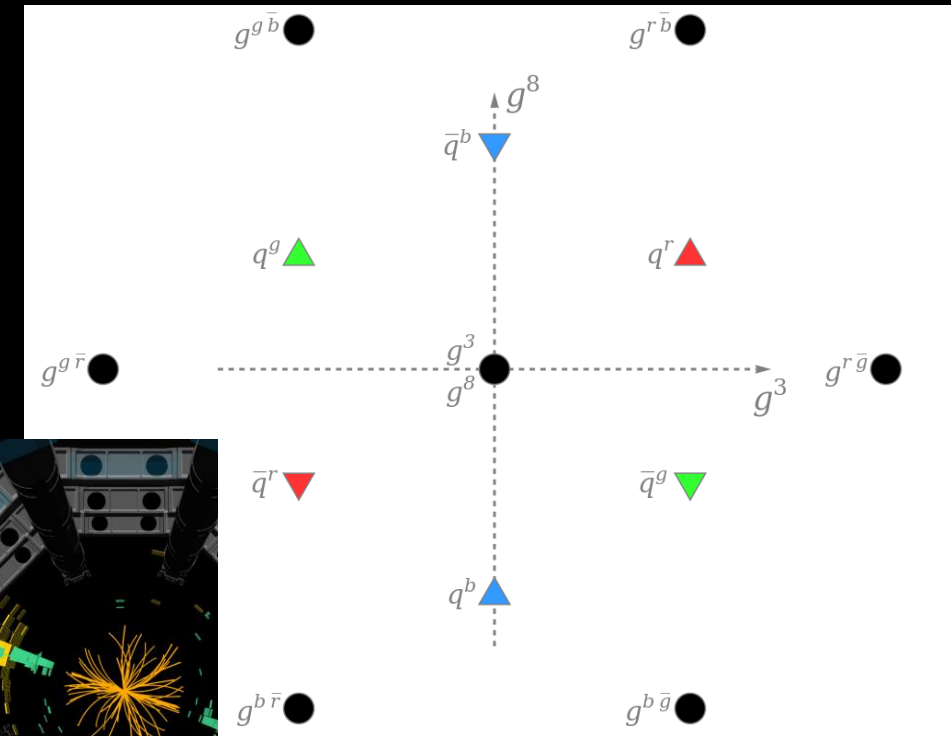
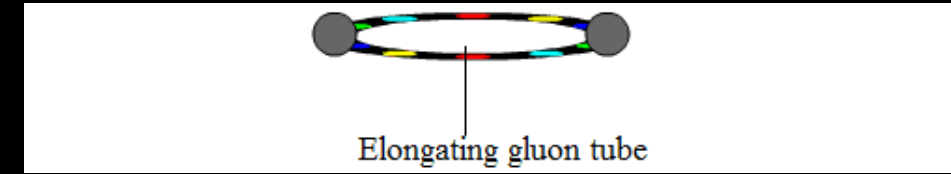
[Electroweak Theory and the  
Origin of the Fundamental  
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# Quantum Chromodynamics: $SU(3)$

Strong (nuclear) interactions (of partons)

- “Strong”: many infinities to deal with...
  - Short distance physics became untenable ([Landau](#))
- Clues: Gell-Mann’s work hadron structure
  - Particles were real, and strongly interacting
- Bjorken’s work lead to new theories
  - “Color” & quark flavor as a conserved charges

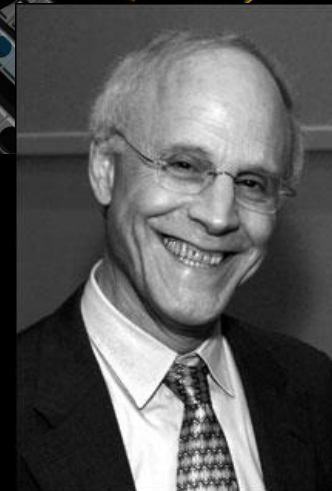


Fritzsh and Leutwyler (1973)

- Color as *source* of the strong field

Gross, Politzer, Wilczek (1973)

- Asymptotic freedom prevented Landau poles
  - Predicted color confinement
  - Can search for hadronization (jet production) in high-energy experiments
    - [Lund string models](#)

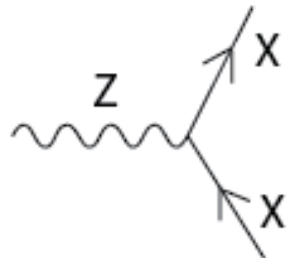


# Altogether Now

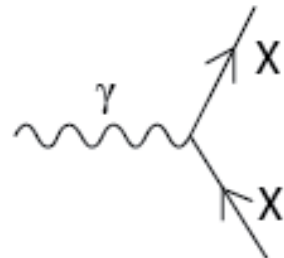
$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{4}B_{\mu\nu}B^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{8}\text{tr}(\mathbf{W}_{\mu\nu}\mathbf{W}^{\mu\nu}) - \frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(\mathbf{G}_{\mu\nu}\mathbf{G}^{\mu\nu}) && \text{(U(1), SU(2) and SU(3) gauge terms)} \\
 & +(\bar{\nu}_L, \bar{e}_L)\tilde{\sigma}^\mu iD_\mu \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix} + \bar{e}_R\sigma^\mu iD_\mu e_R + \bar{\nu}_R\sigma^\mu iD_\mu \nu_R + (\text{h.c.}) && \text{(lepton dynamical term)} \\
 & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{v} \left[ (\bar{\nu}_L, \bar{e}_L)\phi M^e e_R + \bar{e}_R\bar{M}^e\bar{\phi} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix} \right] && \text{(electron, muon, tauon mass term)} \\
 & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{v} \left[ (-\bar{e}_L, \bar{\nu}_L)\phi^* M^\nu \nu_R + \bar{\nu}_R\bar{M}^\nu\phi^T \begin{pmatrix} -e_L \\ \nu_L \end{pmatrix} \right] && \text{(Added Dirac neutrino mass term)} \\
 & +(\bar{u}_L, \bar{d}_L)\tilde{\sigma}^\mu iD_\mu \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix} + \bar{u}_R\sigma^\mu iD_\mu u_R + \bar{d}_R\sigma^\mu iD_\mu d_R + (\text{h.c.}) && \text{(quark dynamical term)} \\
 & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{v} \left[ (\bar{u}_L, \bar{d}_L)\phi M^d d_R + \bar{d}_R\bar{M}^d\bar{\phi} \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix} \right] && \text{(down, strange, bottom mass term)} \\
 & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{v} \left[ (-\bar{d}_L, \bar{u}_L)\phi^* M^u u_R + \bar{u}_R\bar{M}^u\phi^T \begin{pmatrix} -d_L \\ u_L \end{pmatrix} \right] && \text{(up, charmed, top mass term)} \\
 & +\overline{(D_\mu\phi)}D^\mu\phi - m_h^2[\bar{\phi}\phi - v^2/2]^2/2v^2. && \text{(Higgs dynamical and mass term)} \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$



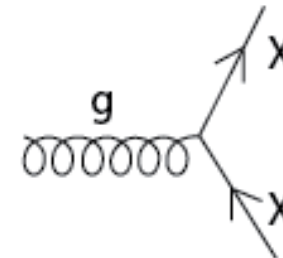
# Standard Model Interactions (Forces Mediated by Gauge Bosons)



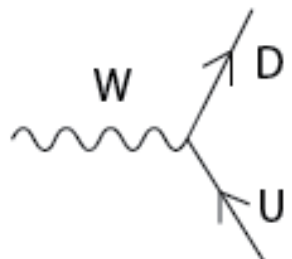
X is any fermion in the Standard Model.



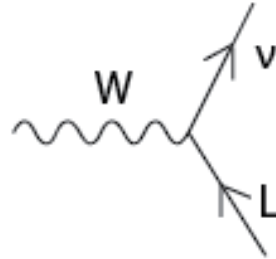
X is electrically charged.



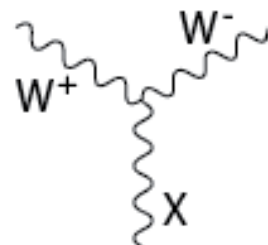
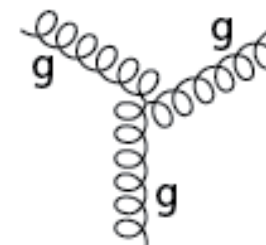
X is any quark.



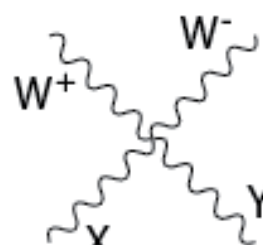
U is a up-type quark;  
D is a down-type quark.



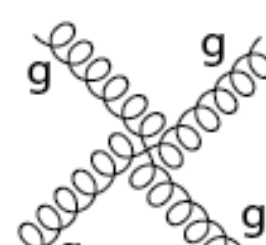
L is a lepton and  $\nu$  is the corresponding neutrino.



X is a photon or Z-boson.



X and Y are any two electroweak bosons such that charge is conserved.

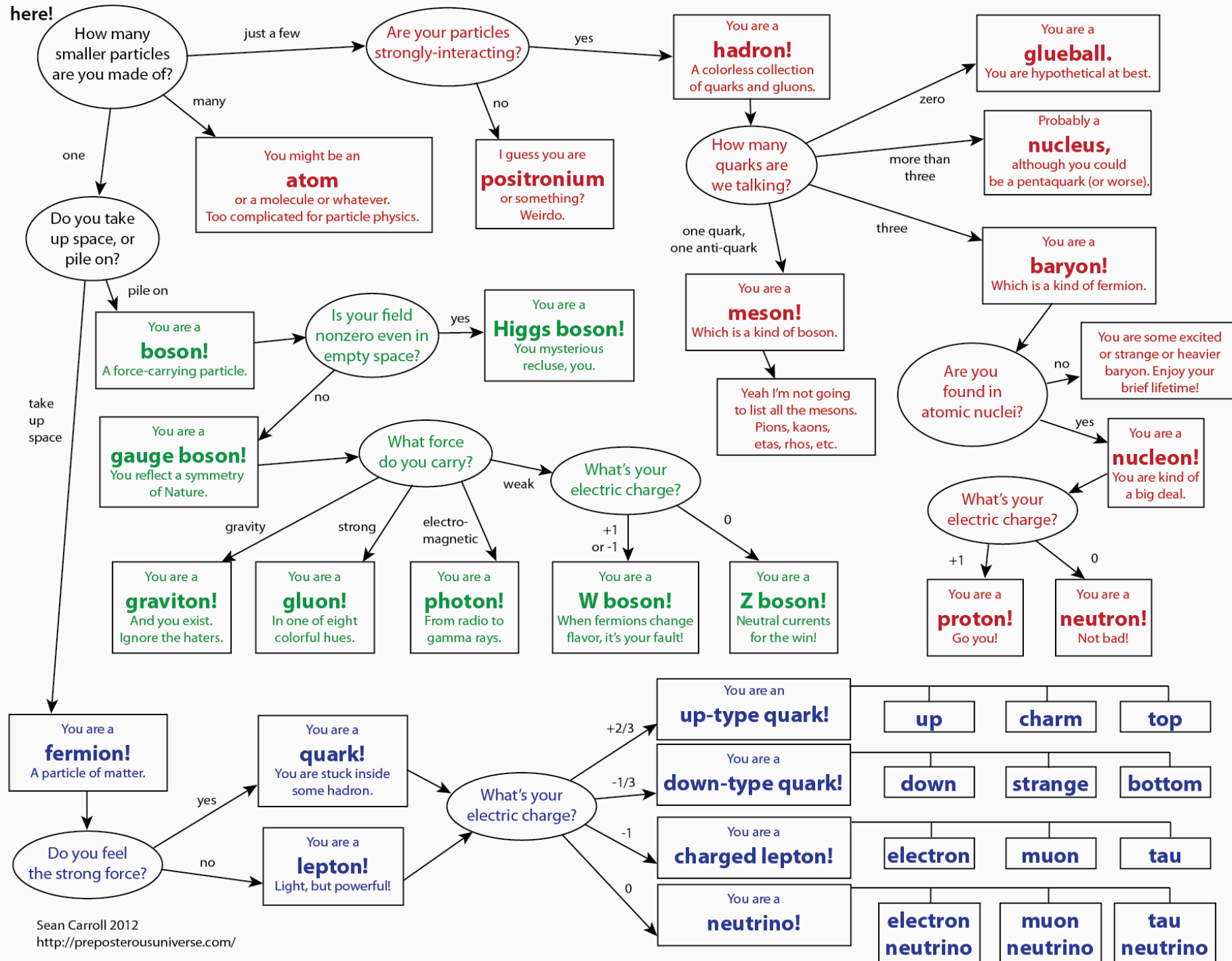


# What Particle Are You?

Color code:  
 elementary fermions  
 elementary bosons  
 composite particles

(Standard Model particles only! Dark matter and other exotica not welcome.)

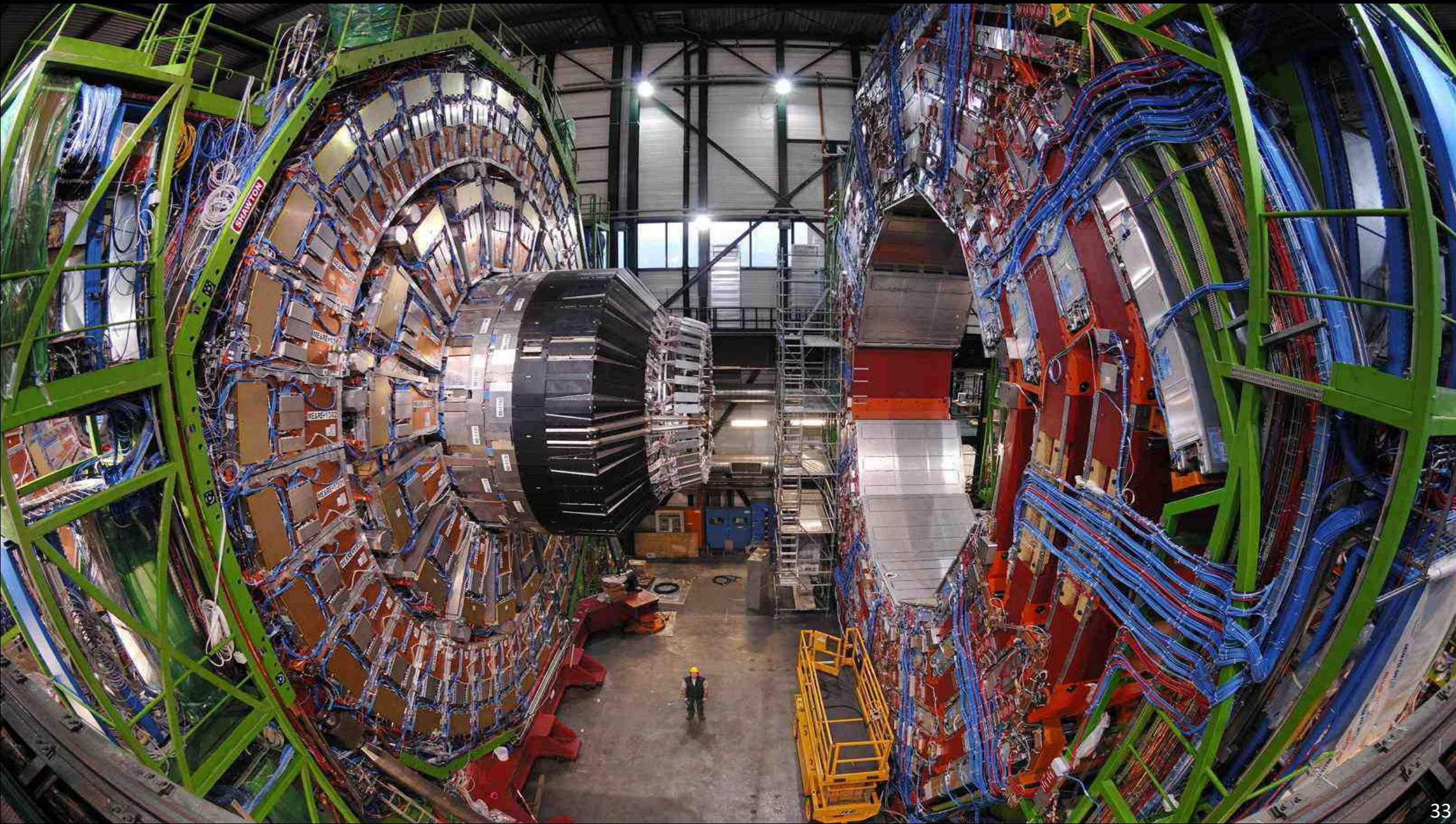
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Sean Carroll 2012  
<http://preposterousuniverse.com/>



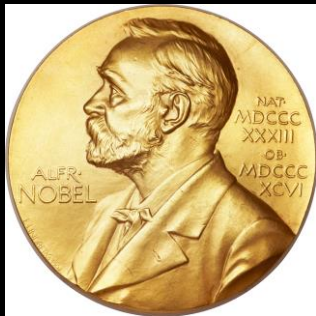
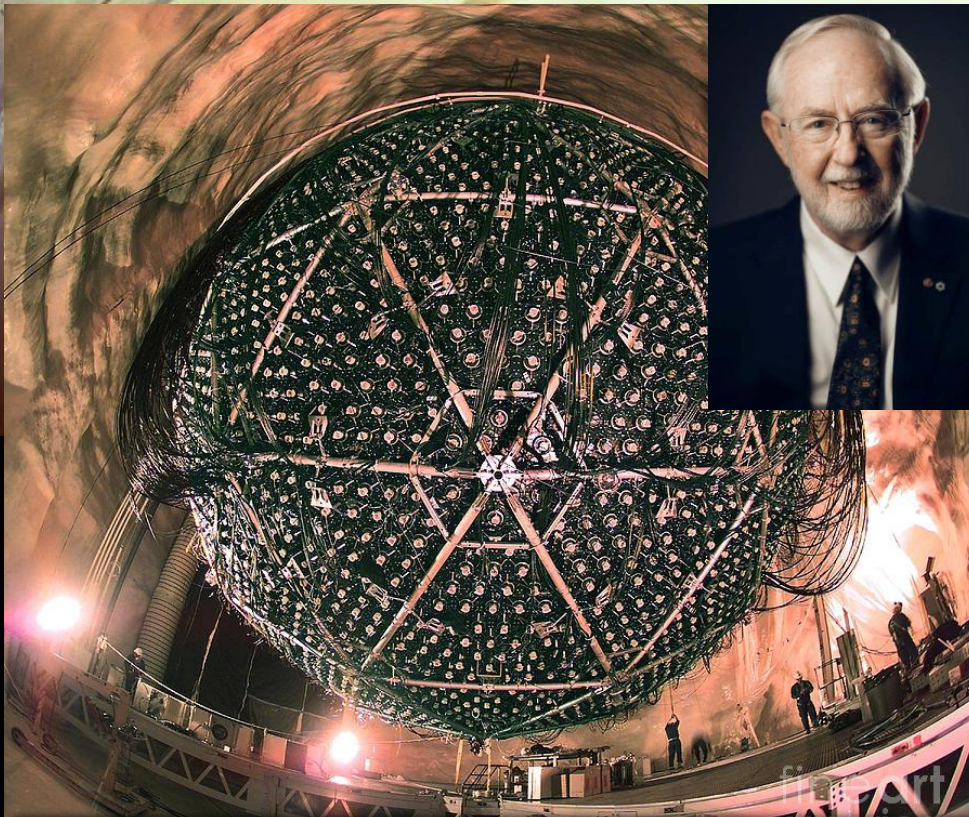
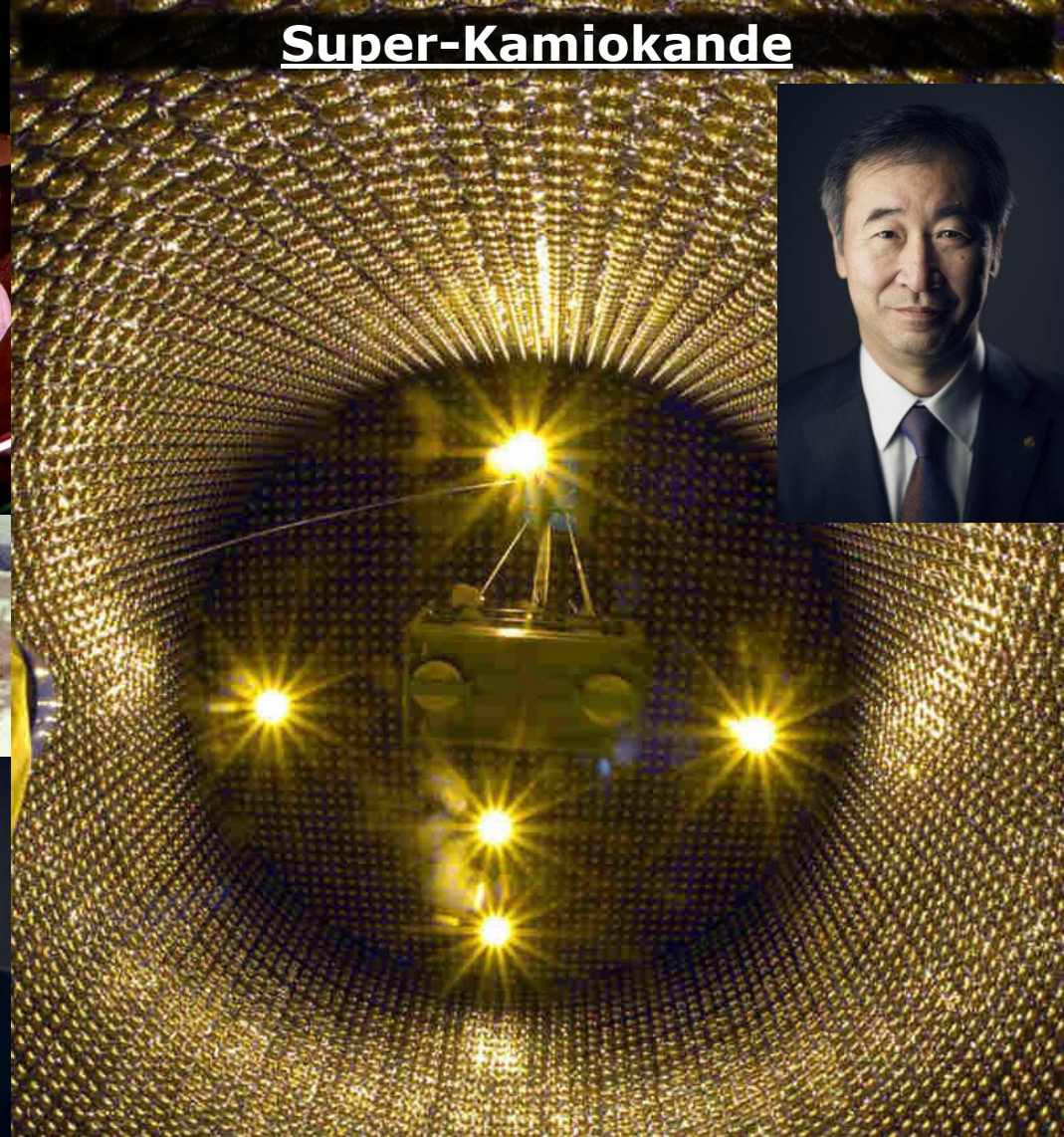
# Still Searching for What's Next





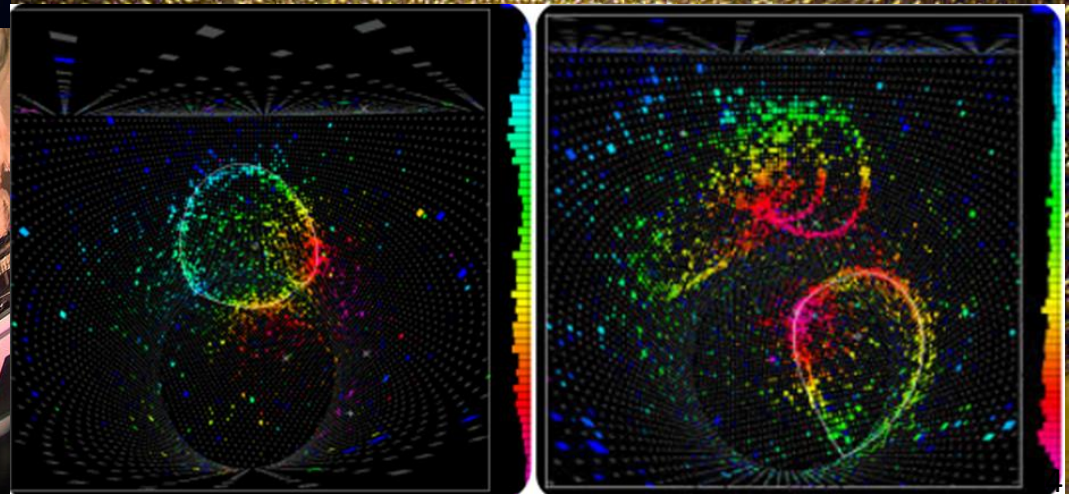
# Neutrino Oscillations

Super-Kamiokande



2002 Nobel Prize in Physics  
2015 Nobel Prize in Physics

**Sudbury Neutrino Observatory**



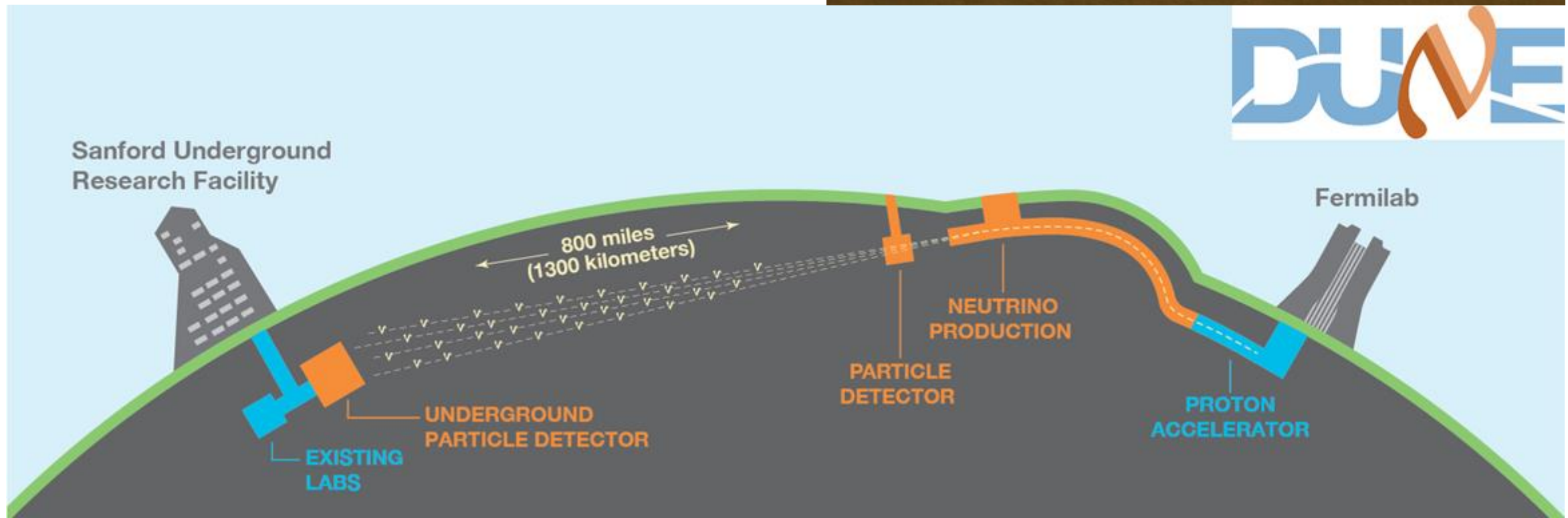
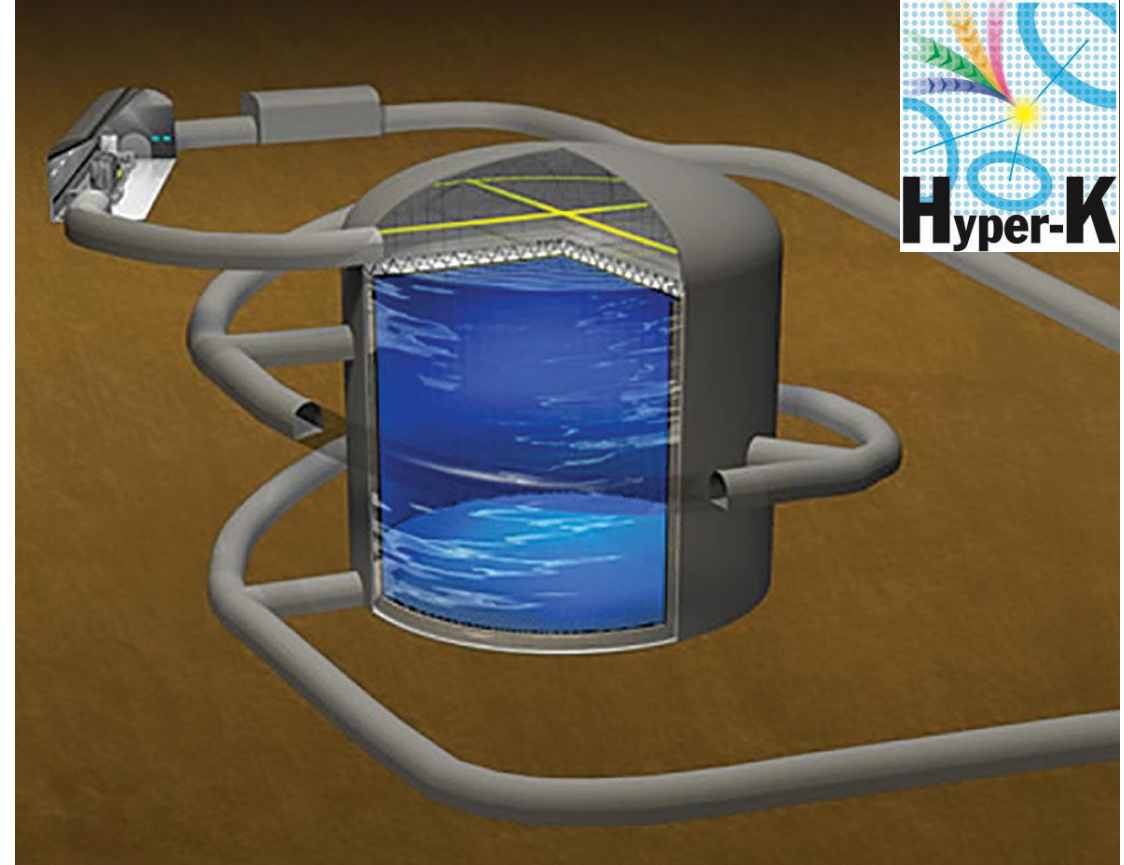


**Thank-you!**

**Questions?**

# Future Experimental $\nu$ Physics

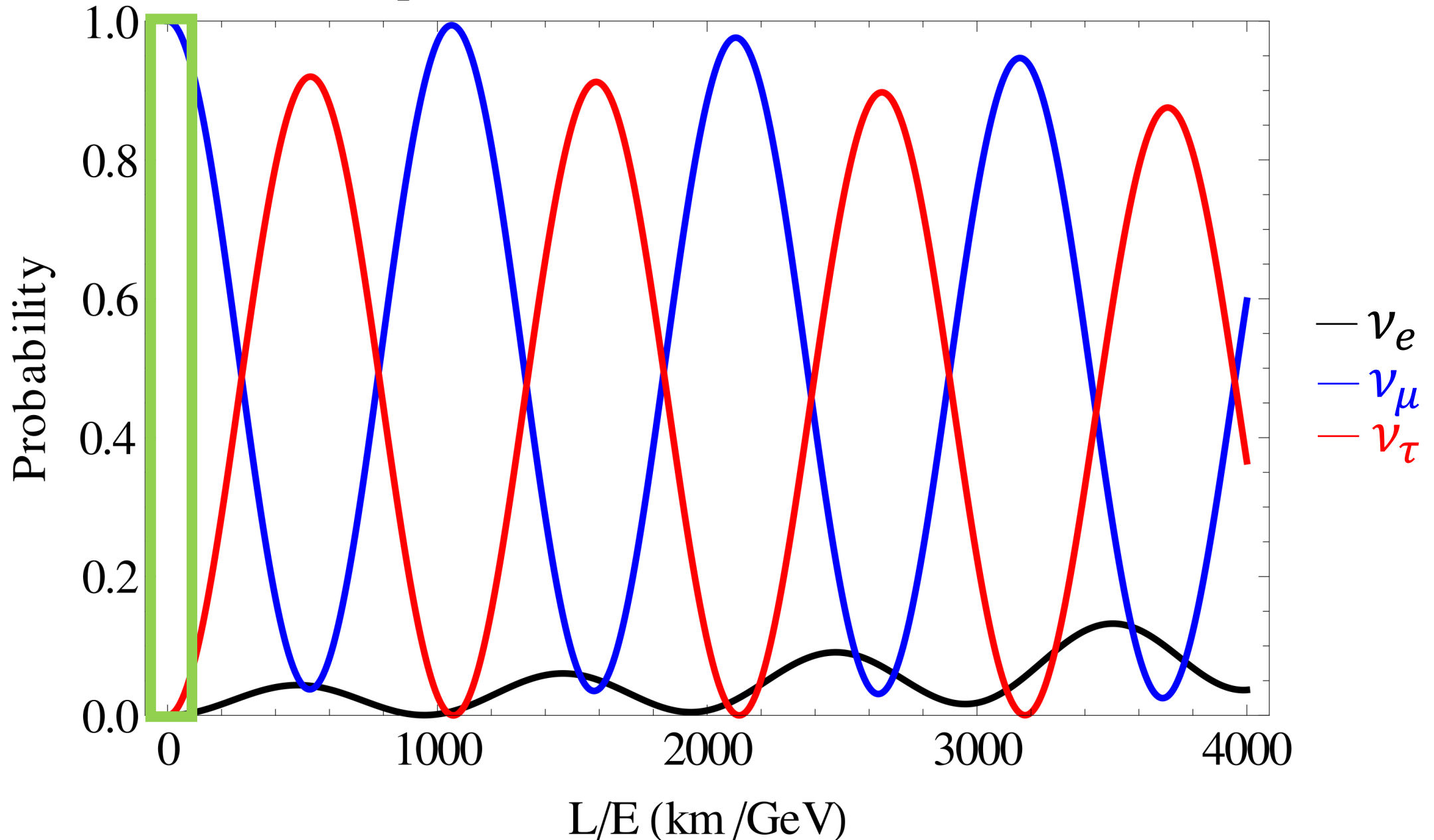
- Goal:
  - Extract  $\nu$  oscillation parameters
- Implications
  - Leptogenesis, cross sections,  $\tau$  production, BSM, Non-Standard Interactions
- Challenges
  - Broadband  $\nu$  spectra
  - Unknown initial  $\nu$  energy





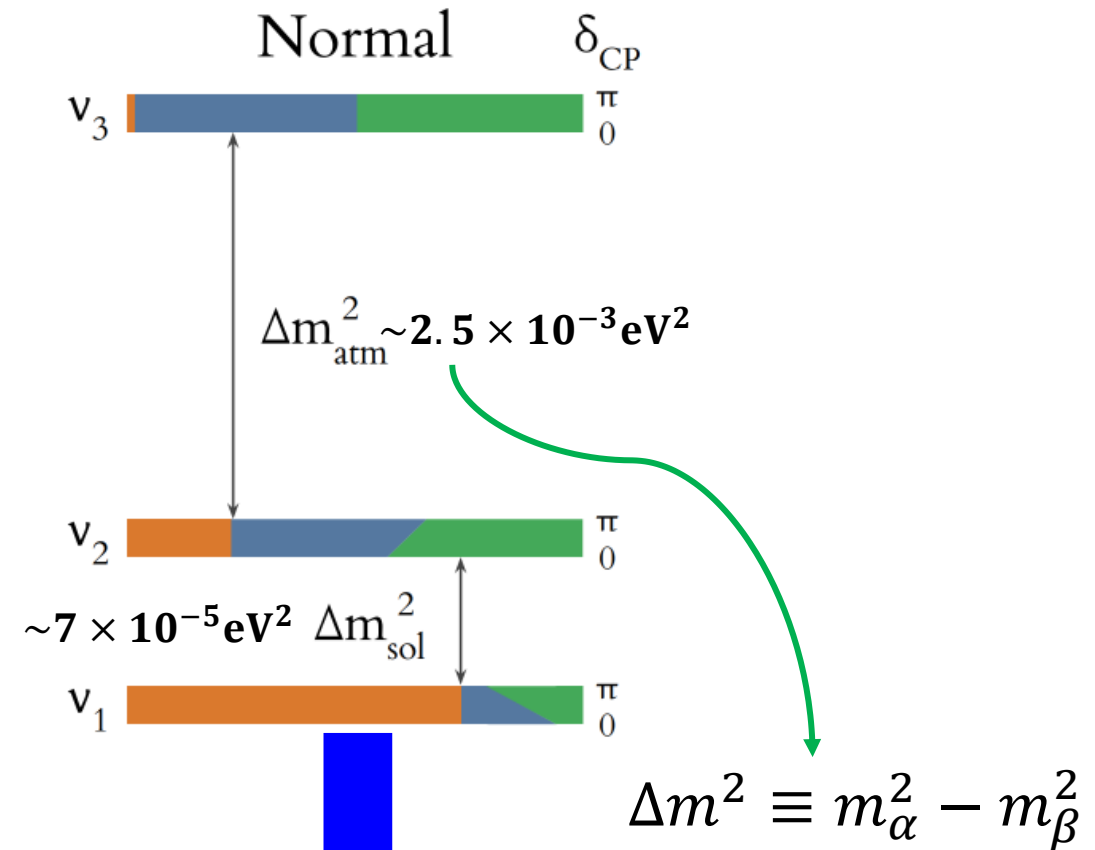
$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(E_{\nu, \text{true}}, L) \approx \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E_{\nu, \text{true}}}\right)$$

Oscillation probabilities for an initial muon neutrino



# Neutrino Oscillations: 3-Flavor Mixing

- Evidence of [oscillations](#) from [solar, atmospheric](#) and many other  $\nu$  experiments
- Massive states are active mixtures of flavor states
  - Three**-flavor model parameterized by the **Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata (PMNS) matrix**



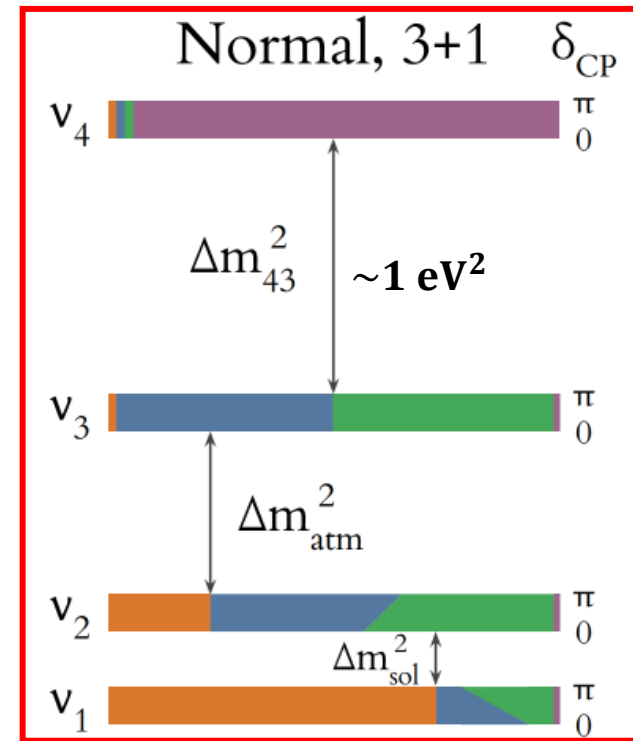
$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{U}_{PMNS} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$



2015 Nobel Prize in Physics

# Neutrino Oscillations: 4-Flavor Mixing

- Massive states are mixtures of flavor states
- **Four**-flavor model parameterized by the **extended 3 + 1 mixing matrix**
- 3 active, 1 sterile
- All  $\nu$  flux is conserved!
- Energy dependent effects
- 4<sup>th</sup>  $\nu_s$  can lead to:
  - Excess  $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_s$  disappearance
  - Excess  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_s$  disappearance
  - Excess  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_s \rightarrow \nu_e$  appearance



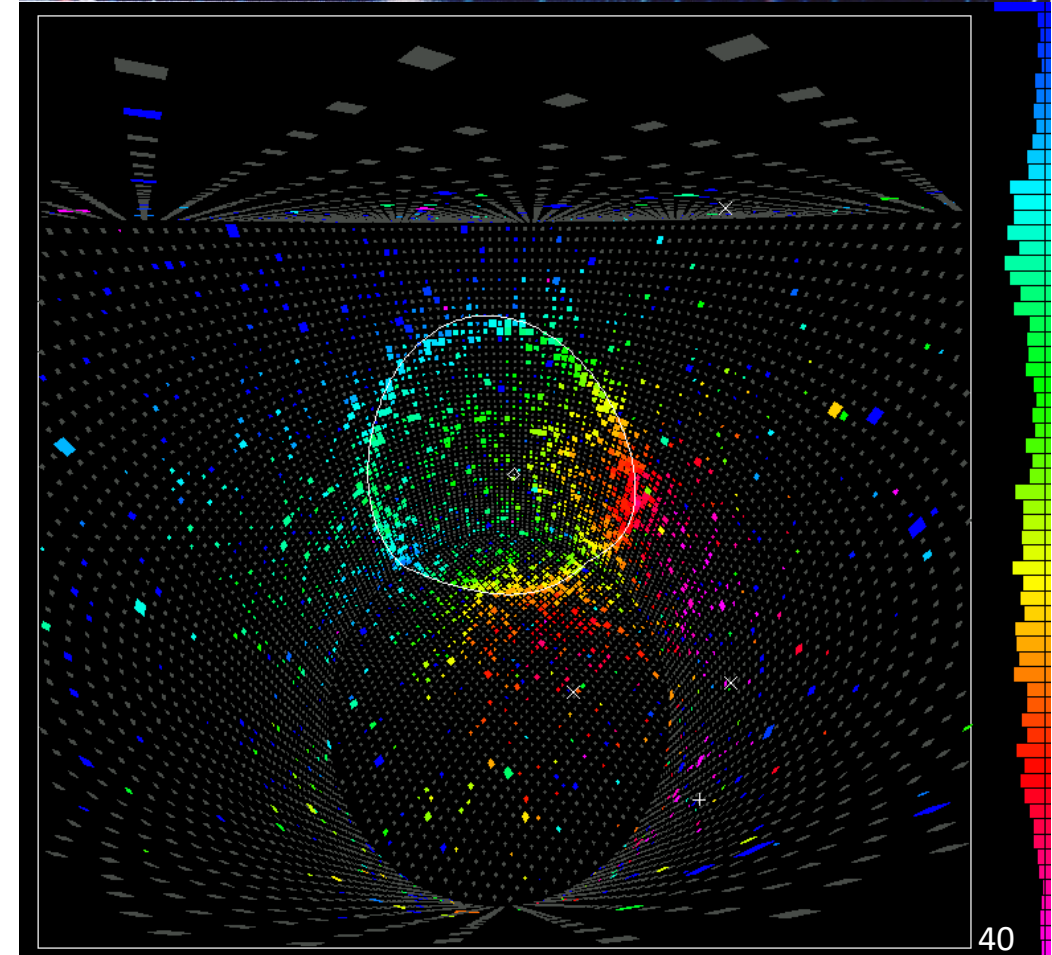
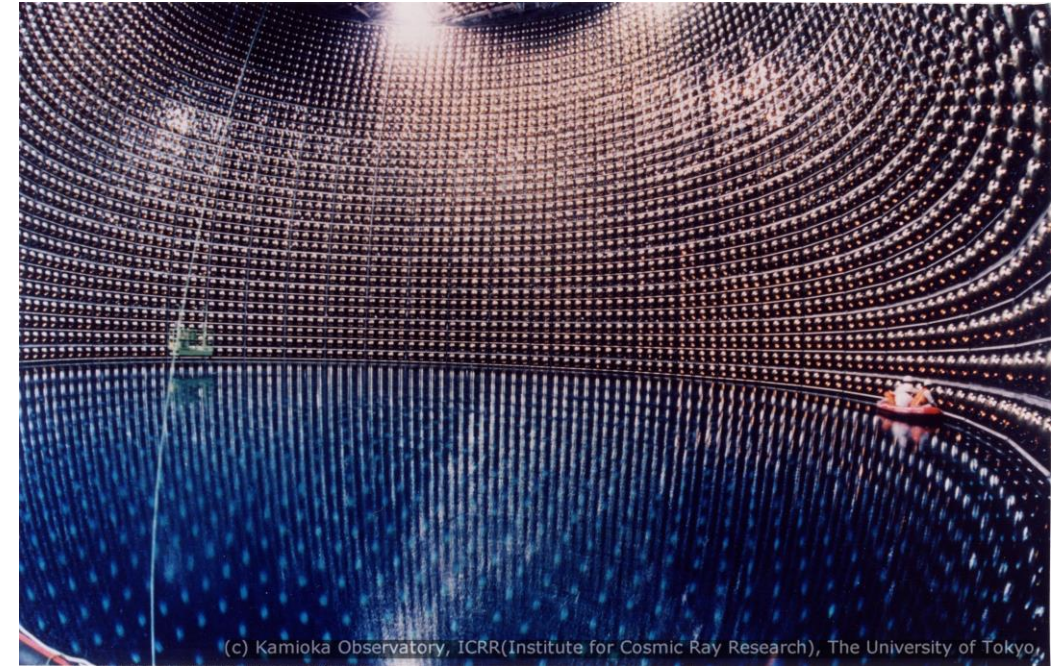
$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \\ \nu_s \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{U}_{\text{BSM PMNS}} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \\ \nu_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(E_{\nu, \text{true}}, L) \approx \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(1.27 \Delta m^2 \frac{L}{E_{\nu, \text{true}}}\right)$$



# Water Cherenkov Detectors

- Super & Hyper-Kamiokande's technology
  - Well understood, battle tested
  - Huge masses, statistics
- Oxygen as main nuclear target
  - "Simple" symmetric nucleus
- Reconstruct particle momenta from Cherenkov rings
  - High proton thresholds
  - Lack of  $\gamma/e$  separation power



# Liquid Argon Time Projection Chambers

- DUNE's technology
- Argon as target
  - Complex nucleus
- Ionization of LAr for track reconstruction
  - Low proton thresholds
  - $dQ/ds \sim dE/ds$  for calorimetry
  - $\gamma/e$  separation power

