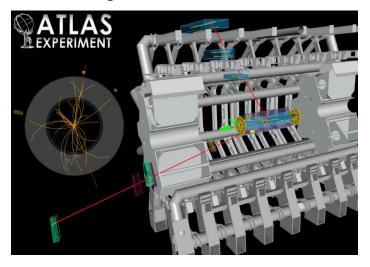
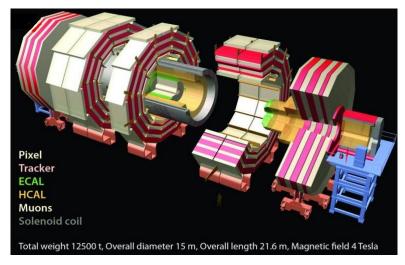


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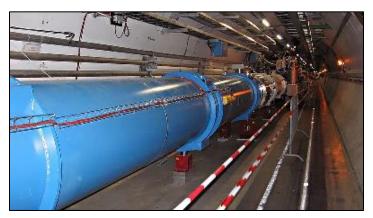




The LHC and New Physics

It's a time of exciting new discoveries in particle physics!

At CERN, the LHC and its experiments are underway.



The ATLAS and CMS detectors have been taking data. The first job was to confirm how the data corresponds to our understanding we call the **Standard Model**.



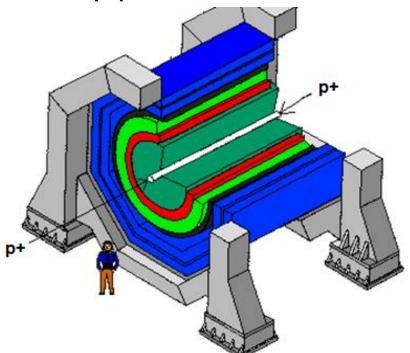
Generic Detector Design

Cylinders wrapped around the beam pipe

From inner to outer . . .

Tracking Electromagnetic calorimeter Hadronic calorimeter Magnet*

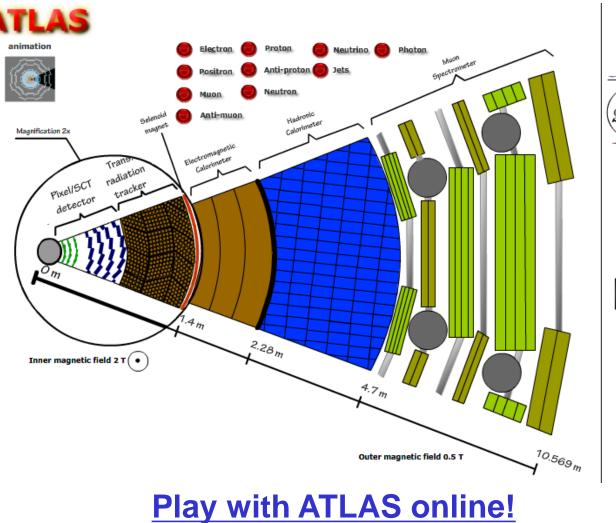
Muon chamber



*Location of magnet depends on specific detector design.



ATLAS Detector



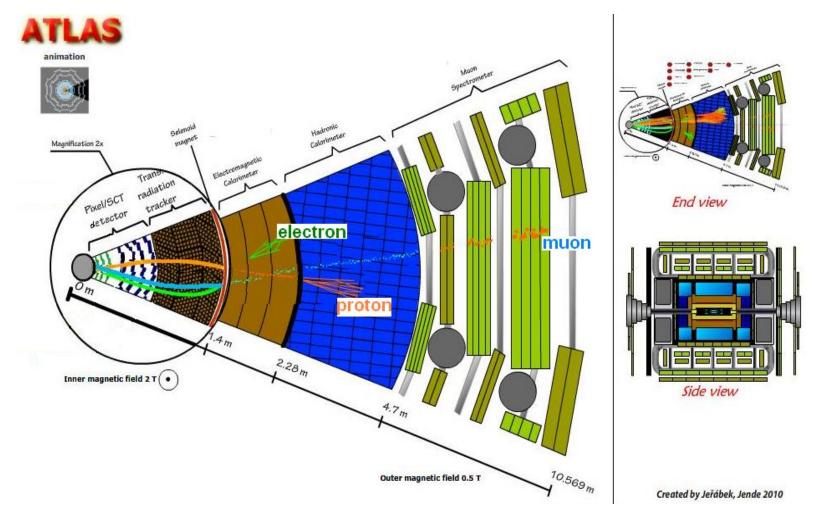
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Side view

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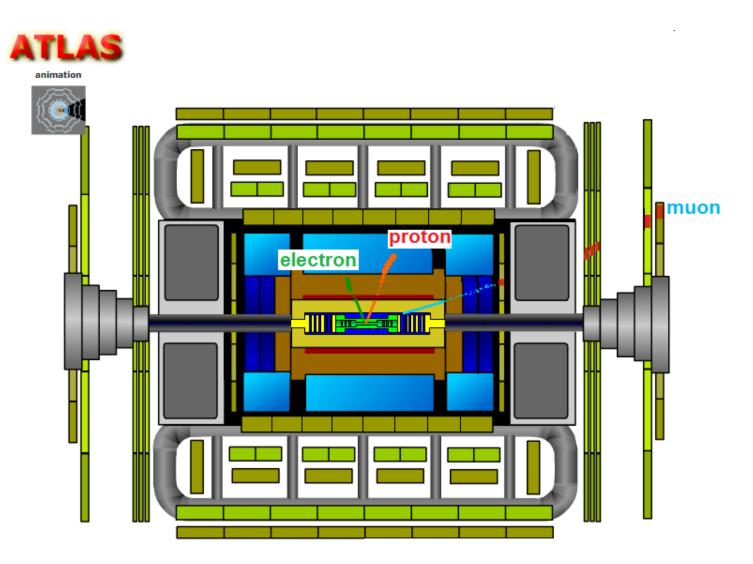


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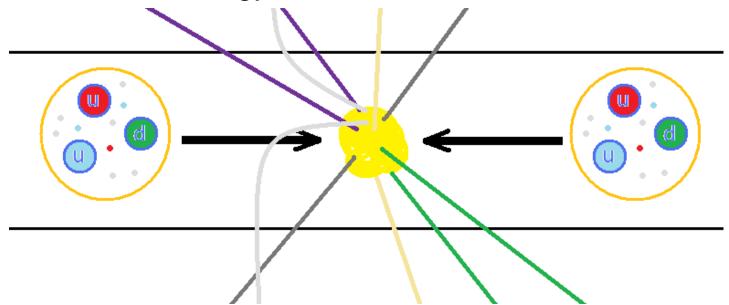




Proton Interactions

If each beam proton has energy 4 TeV....

- •The total collision energy is $2 \times 4 \text{ TeV} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.
- •But each particle inside a proton shares only a portion.
- •So a newly created particle's mass *must be* smaller than the total energy.



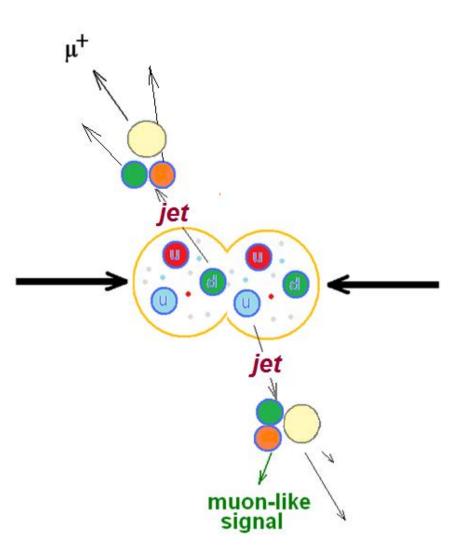


Particle Decays

Often, quarks are scattered in collisions.

As they separate, the binding energy between them converts to sprays of new particles called jets. Also, lower energy electrons and muons can emerge.

They are not what we are looking for.





W and Z Particles

We are looking for the mediators of the *weak interaction:* •electrically charged *W* + *boson,* •the negative *W* - *boson,* •the neutral *Z boson*.

Unlike electromagnetic forces carried over long distances by massless photons, the weak force is carried by massive particles which restricts interactions to very tiny distances.

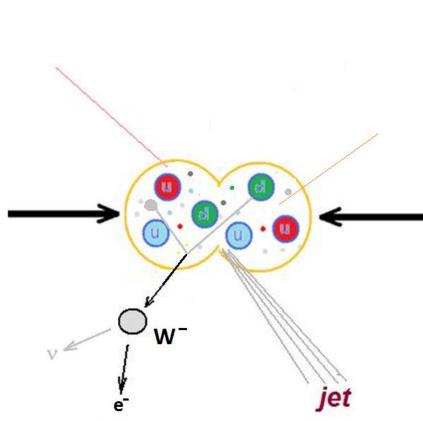


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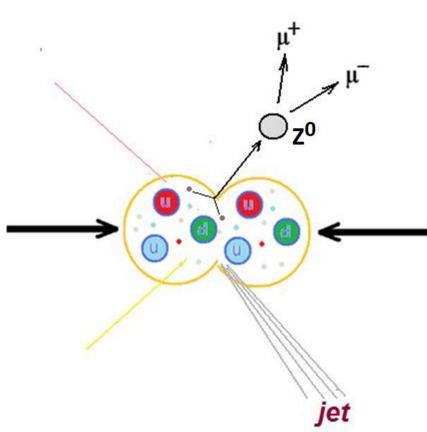


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Because bosons only travel a tiny distance before decaying, ATLAS and CMS do not "see" them directly.

We *can* detect :

- electrons
- muons
- photons

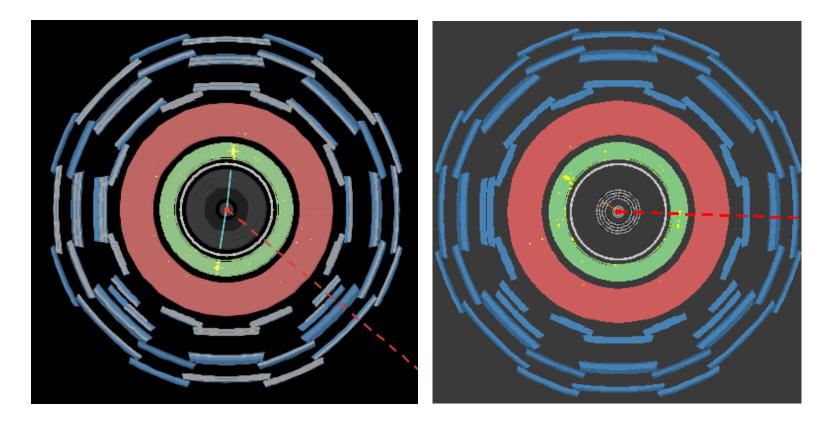


We can infer: • neutrinos from "missing energy"



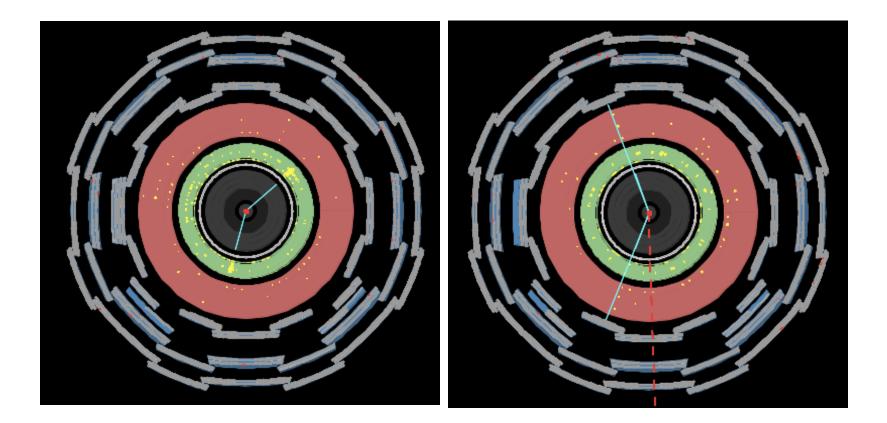
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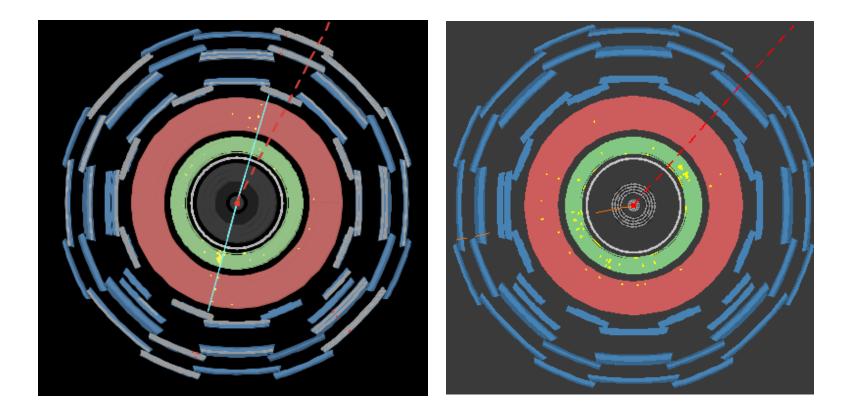
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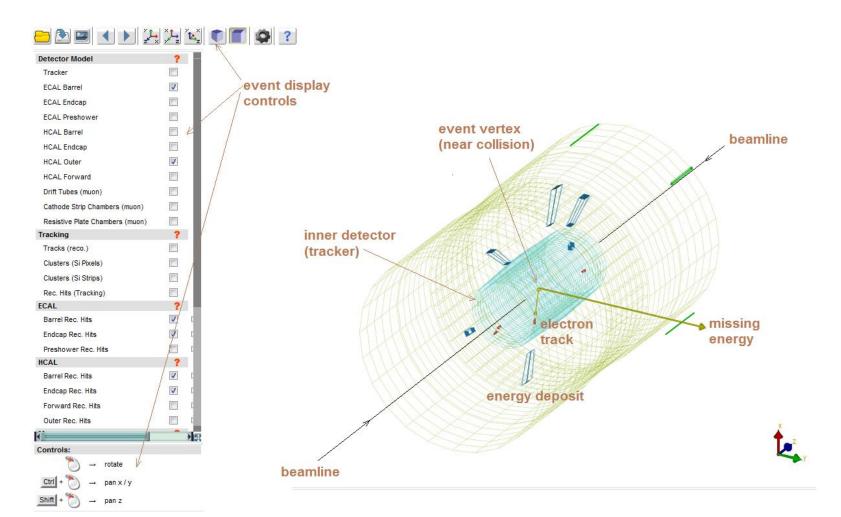




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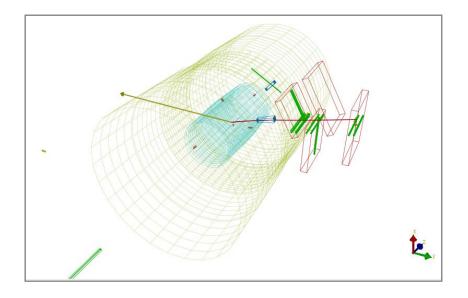
CMS Event Display

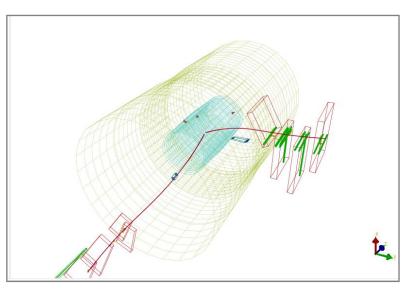




Use new data from the LHC in iSpy to test performance of CMS:

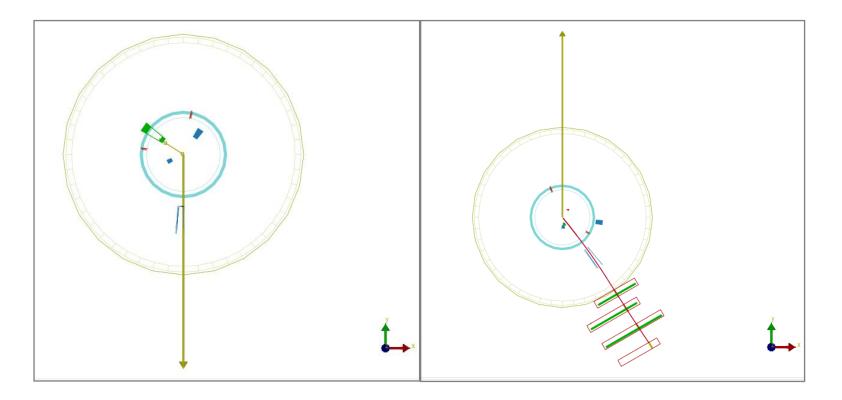
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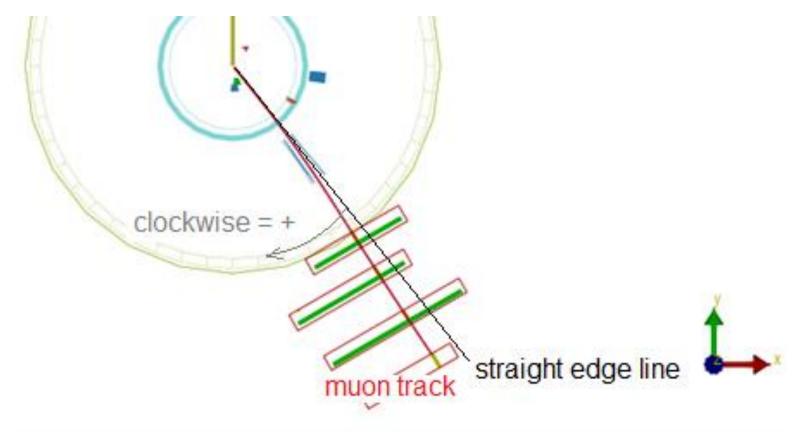


• Can we calculate the e/μ ratio?





• Can we calculate a W+/W- ratio for CMS?





Make an ATLAS team and a CMS team. Practice events.

Find good Z and W candidates...and more.

Which events will be included in the mass plot? Which will give us W+/W-?

Report! Rapport! Rejoice! Relax!