

The $L\leftrightarrow C$ spin project

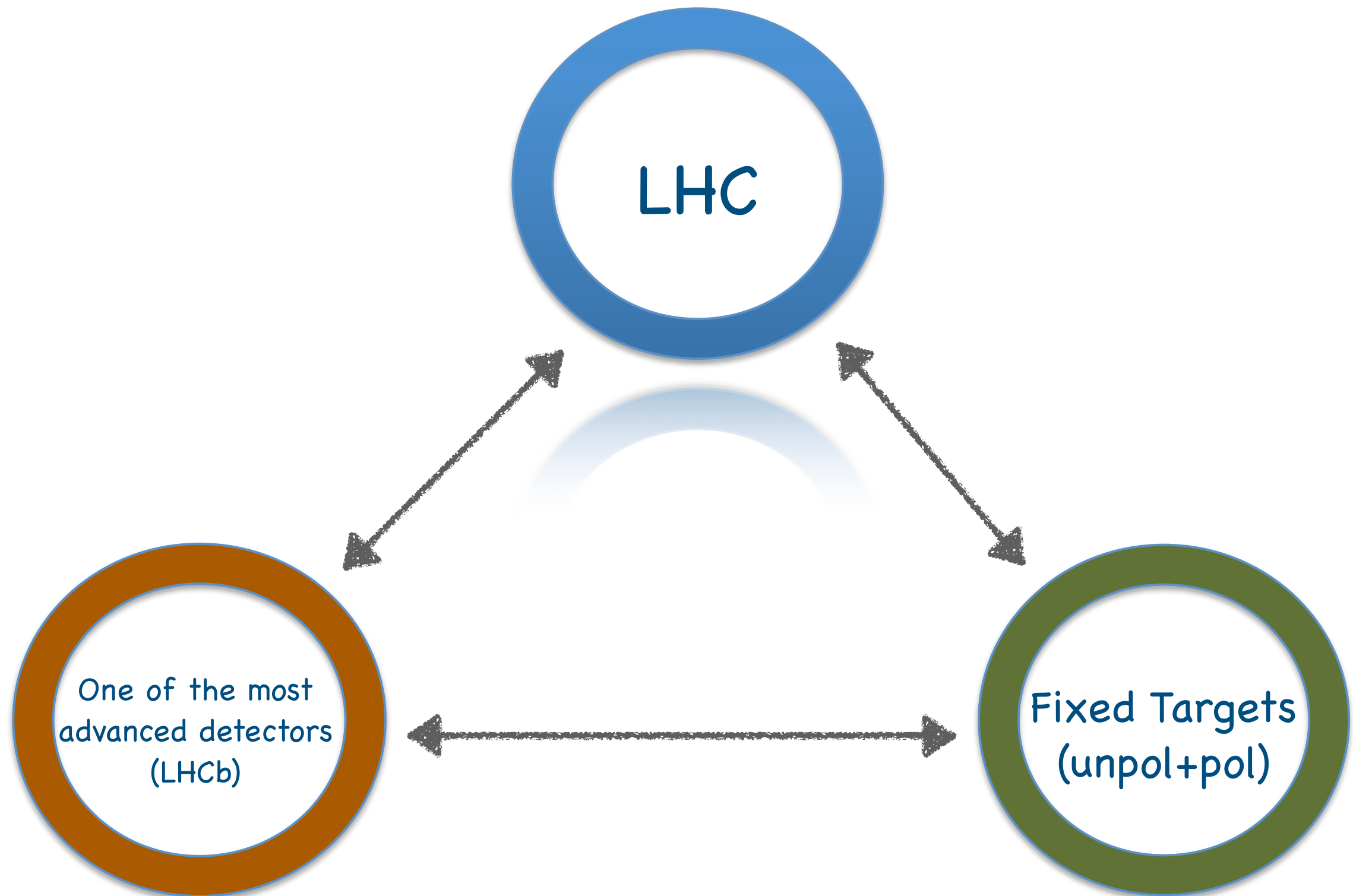
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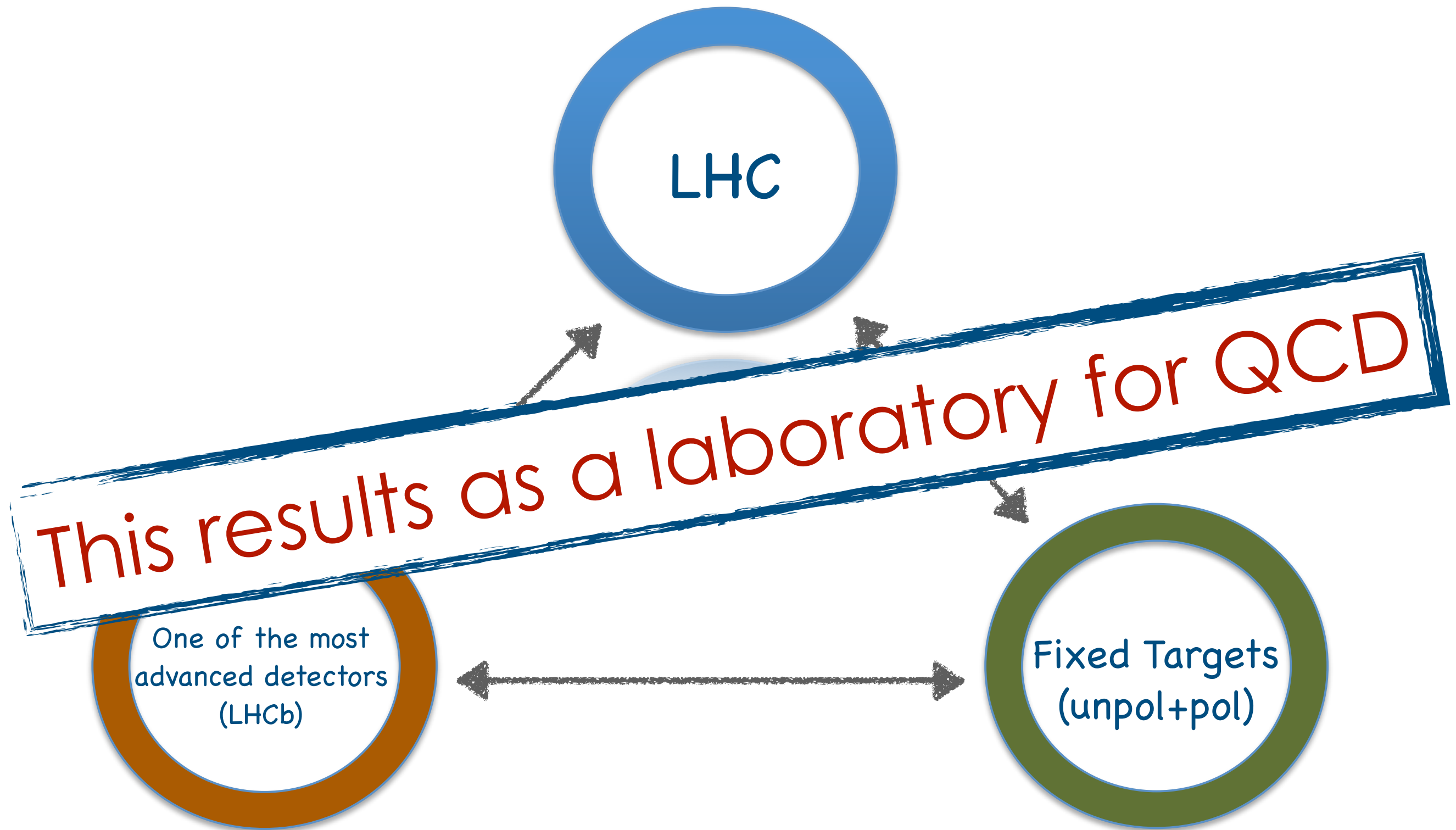
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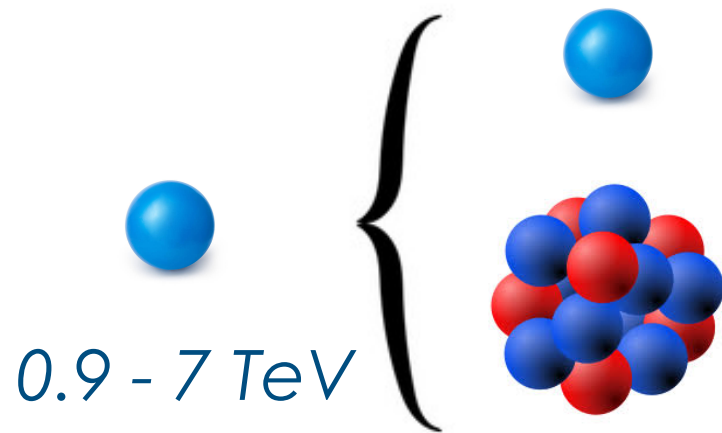
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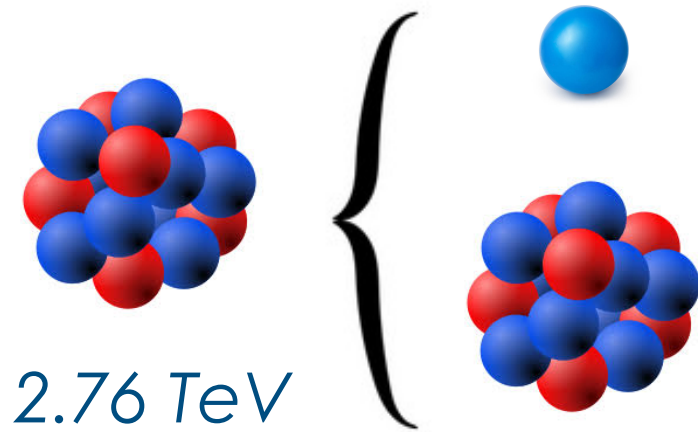


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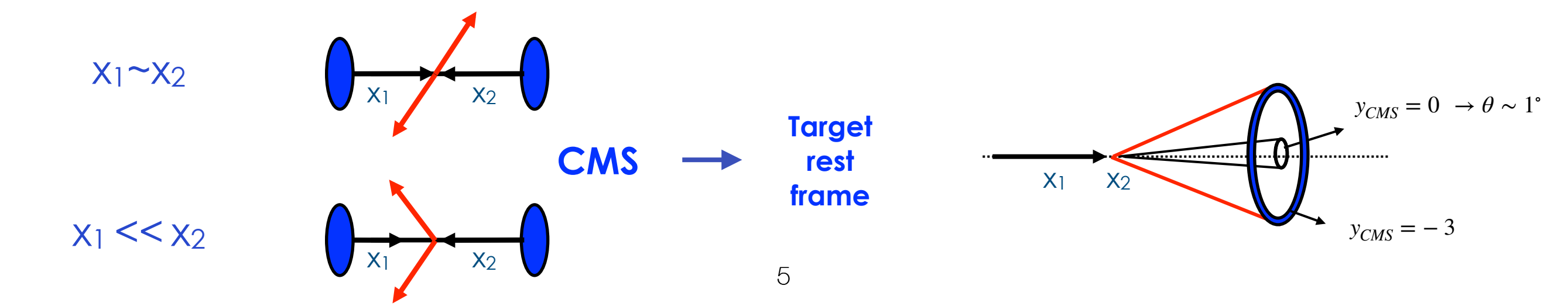
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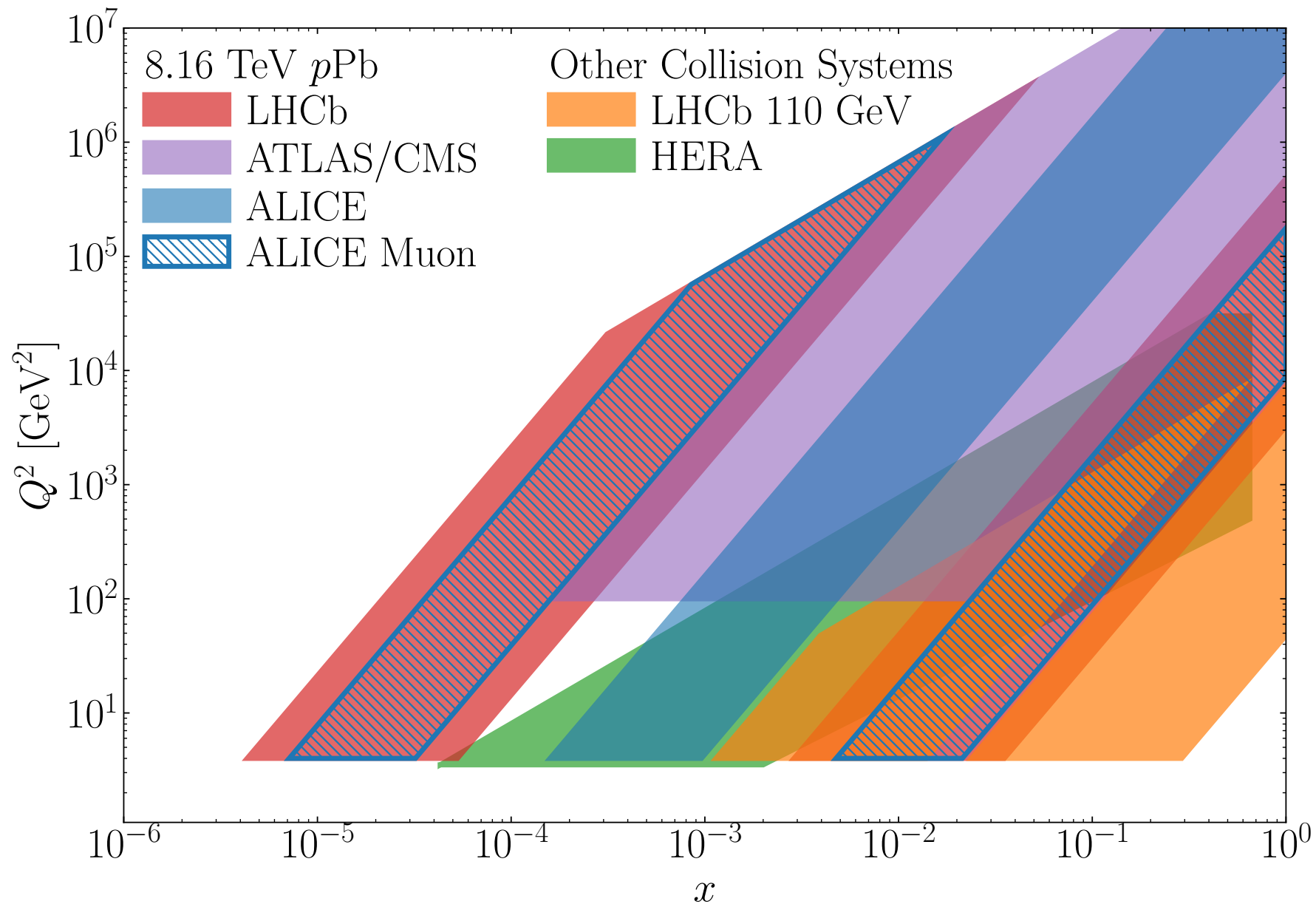
$$\gamma = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2m_p} \sim 60 \rightarrow$$

access to large x_2 physics ($x_F < 0$)



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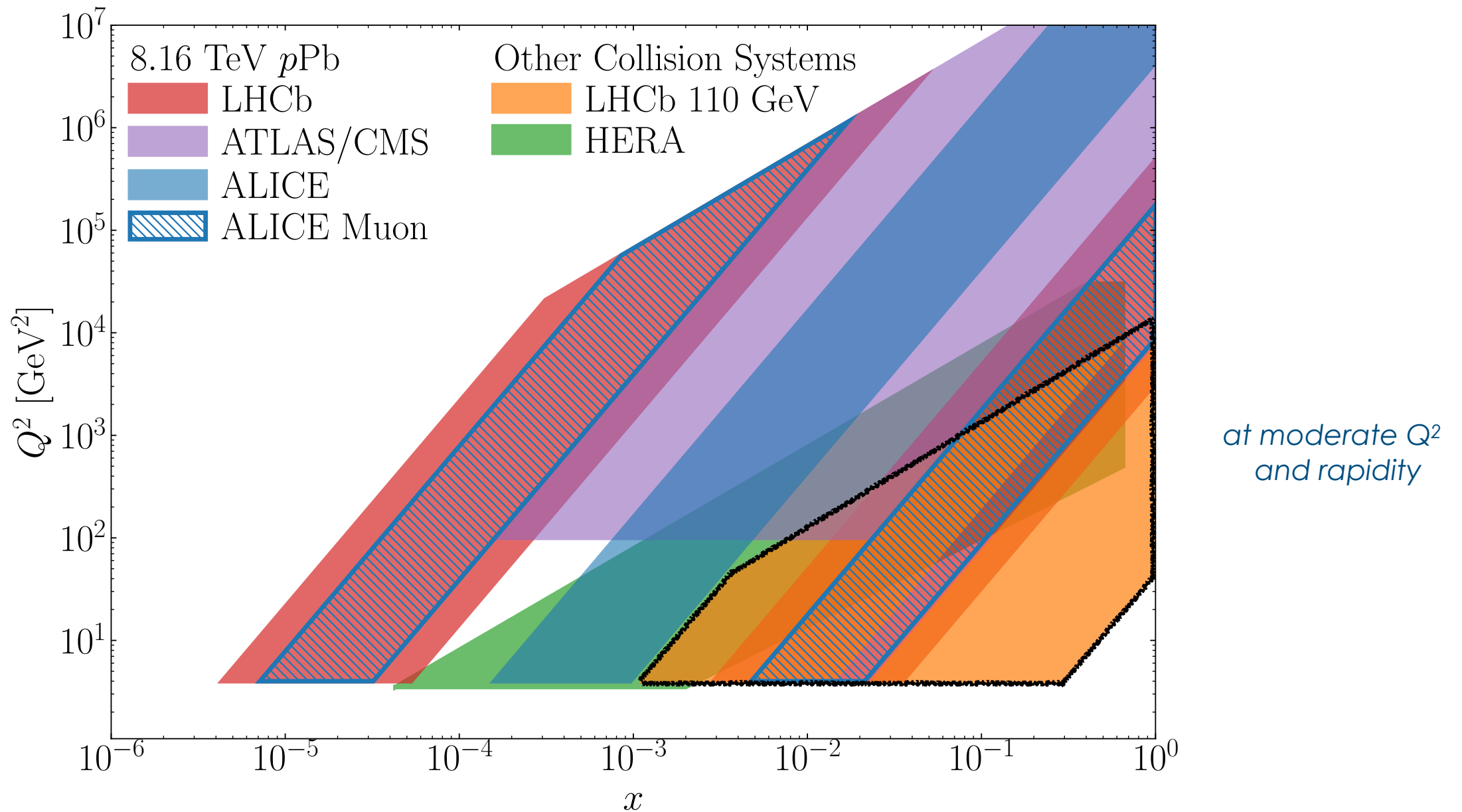
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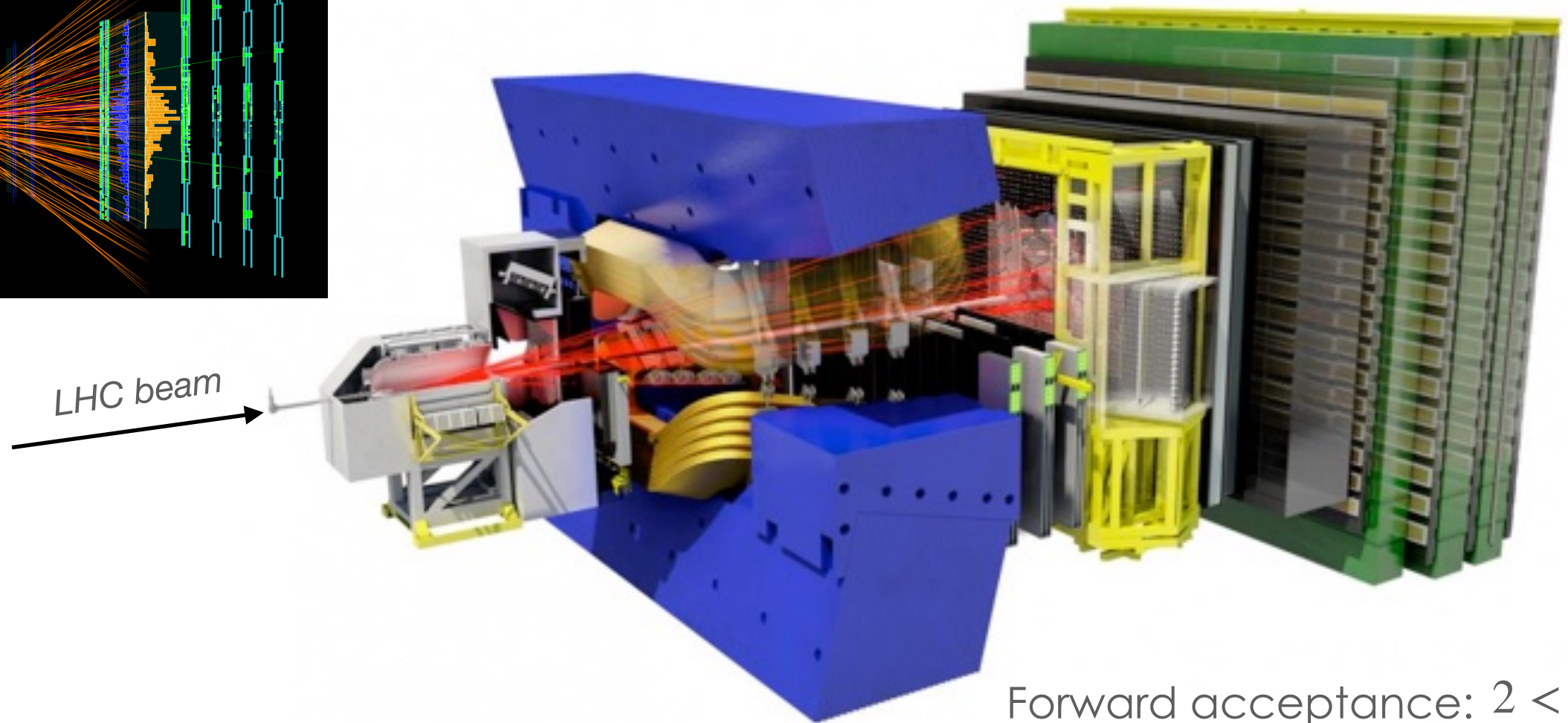
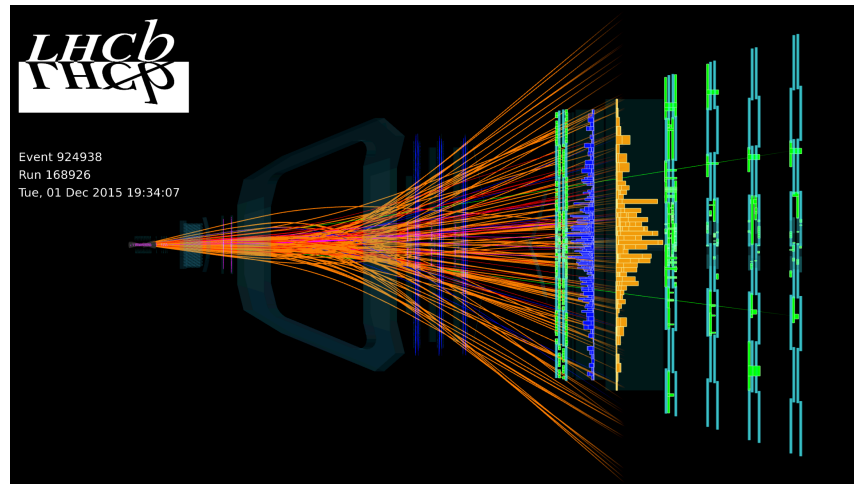
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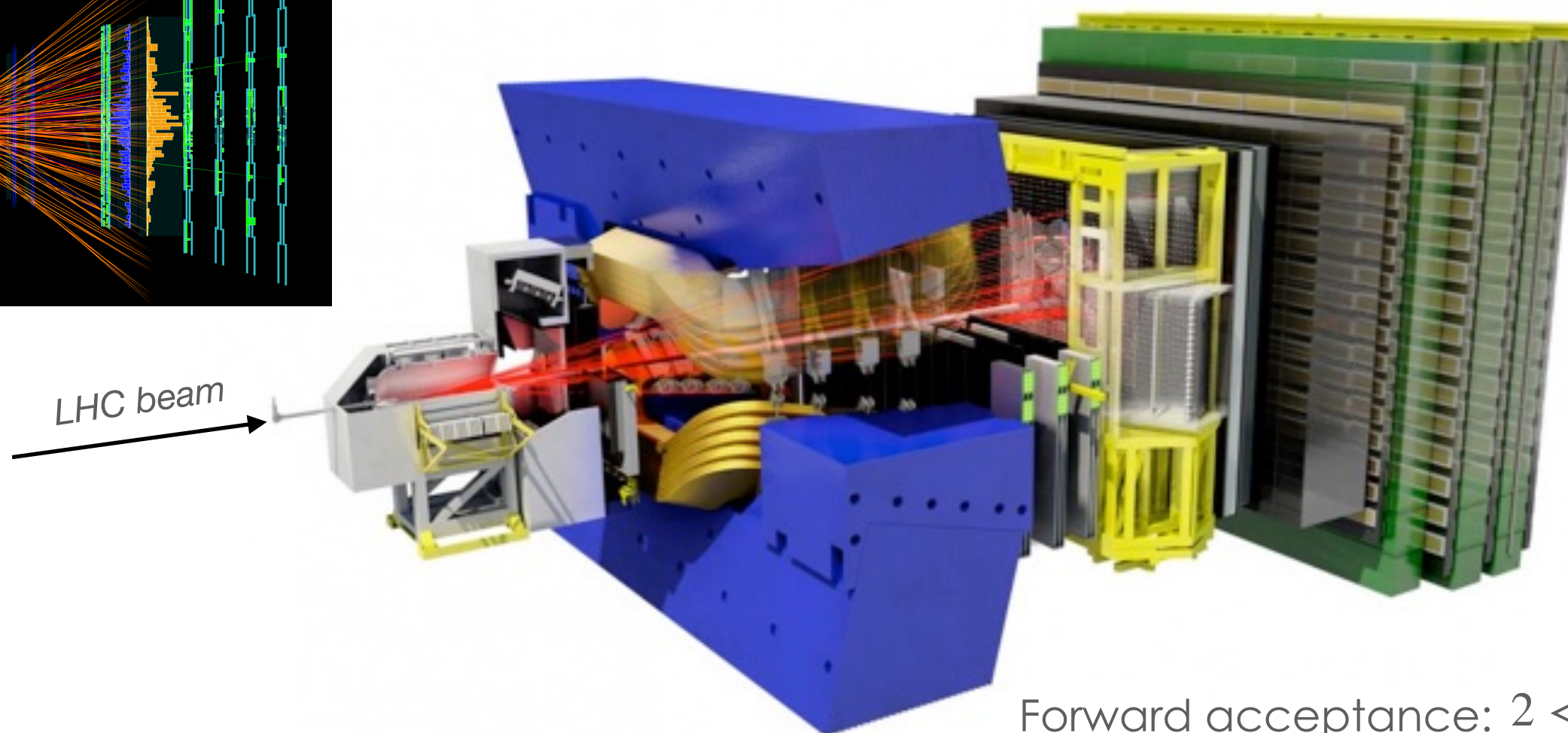
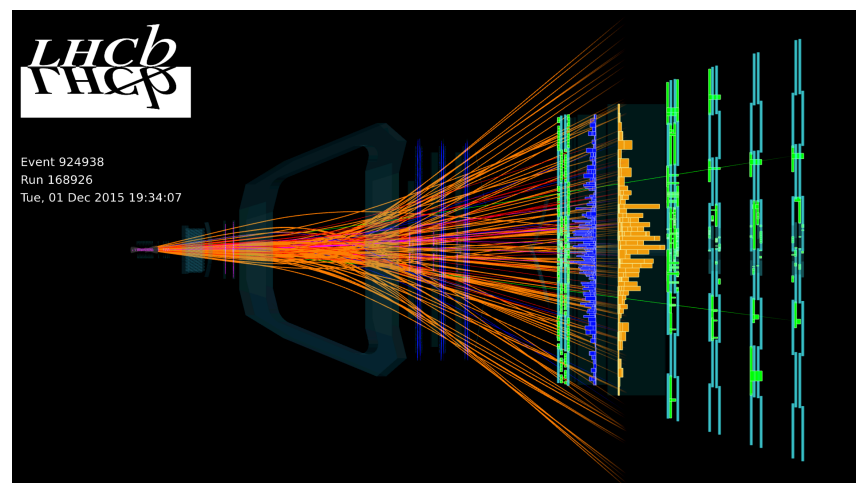
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LHCb upgrade 2019-2020

- * Collision rate at 40 MHz
- * Pile-up factor $\mu \approx 5$
- * Remove L0 triggers (software trigger)
- * Read out the full detector at 40 MHz
- * Replace the entire tracking system

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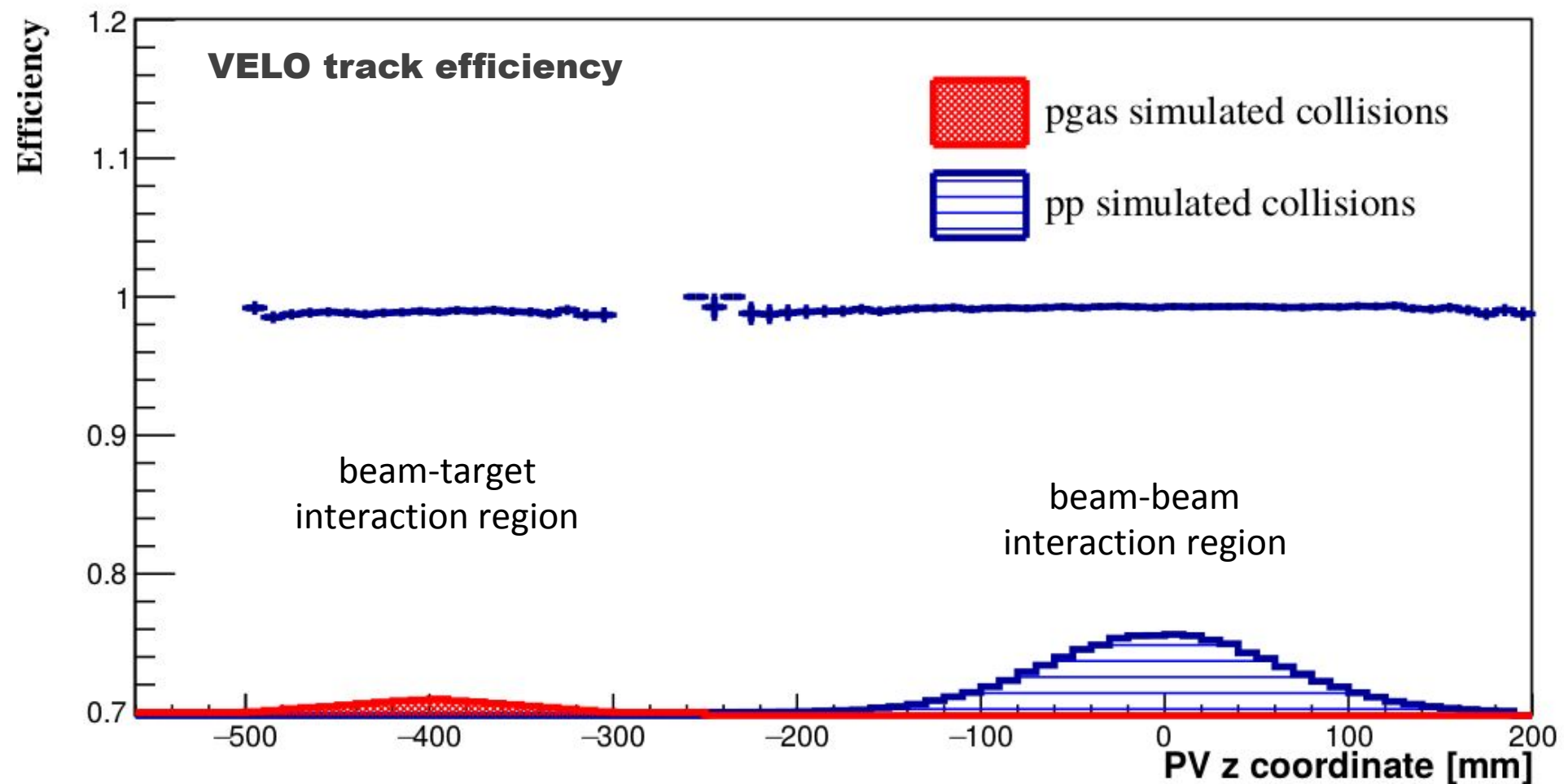
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LHCb is the only experiment able to run both in collider and in fixed-target mode ... simultaneously!

Simultaneous run for p-gas @ 115 GeV and pp @ 14 TeV



The two systems don't interfere each other and the reconstruction efficiencies stay unchanged

The DAQ data flow increases of 1.3% only

Why

- Advance our understanding of the large- x gluon, antiquark and heavy quark content in nucleons and nuclei
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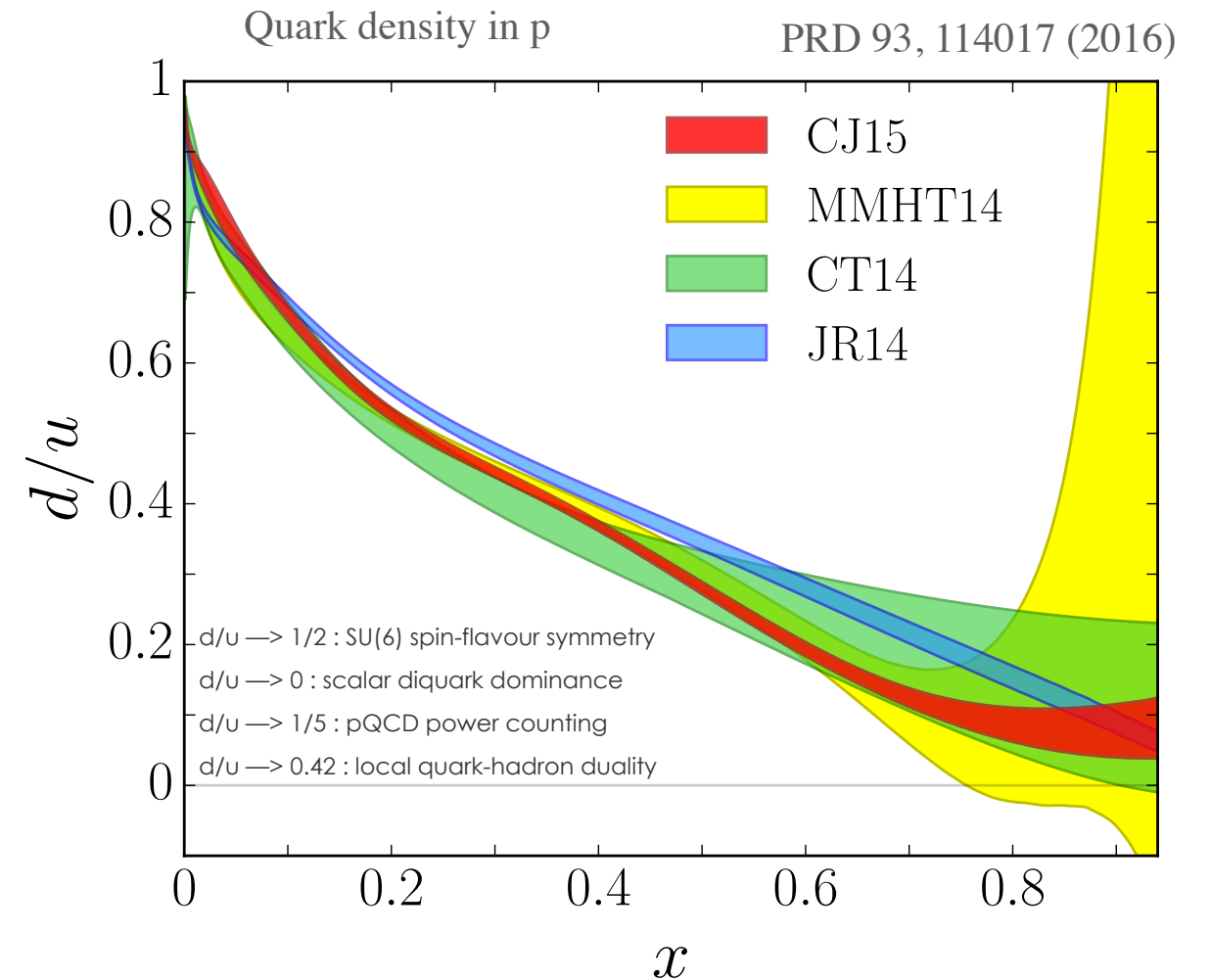
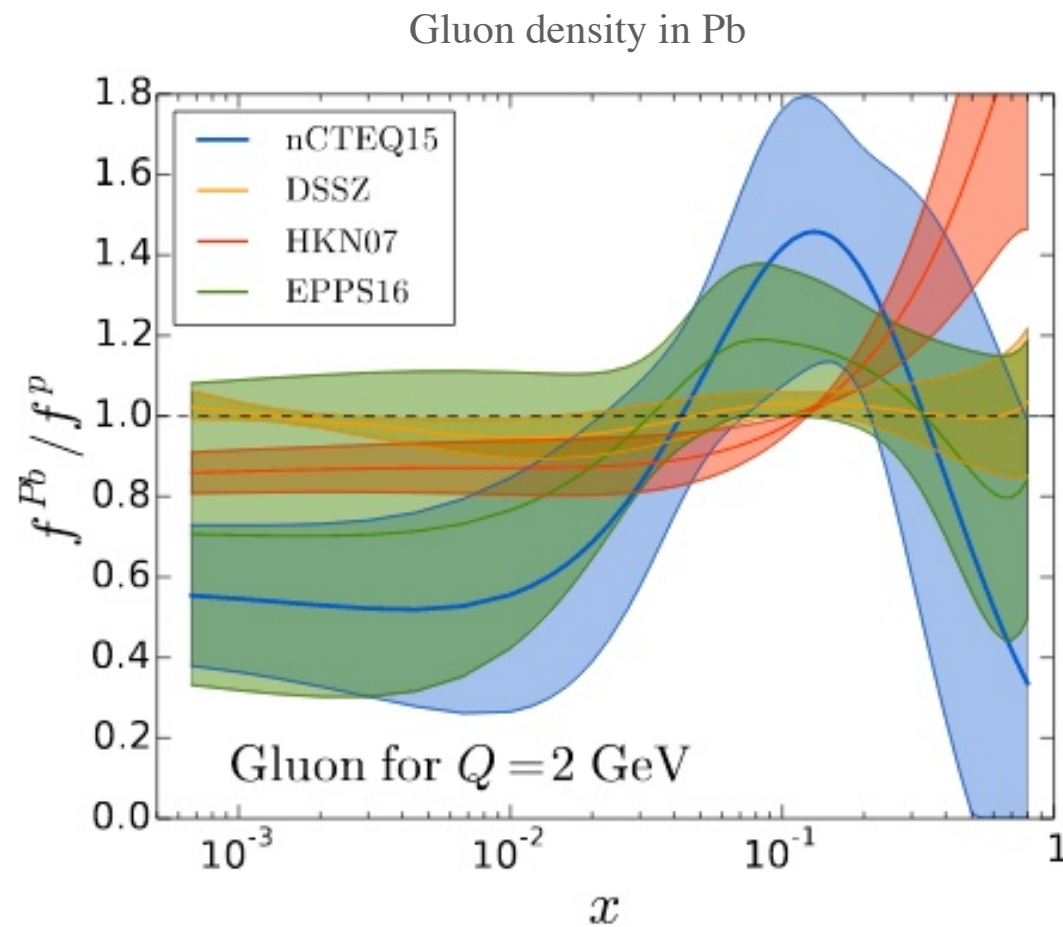
- Unique and large kinematic coverage
- High luminosity and high resolution detectors → rare probes
- Proton or Heavy-Ion Beam
- Large variety of atomic gas targets: $H_2, D_2, He, N_2, O_2, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe$
- Polarised targets: $H^\uparrow, D^\uparrow$
- Marginal impact on LHC beam and mainstream physics at current experiments

(for H: $1/e_{\text{lifetime}} > 2000$ days)

PDF world



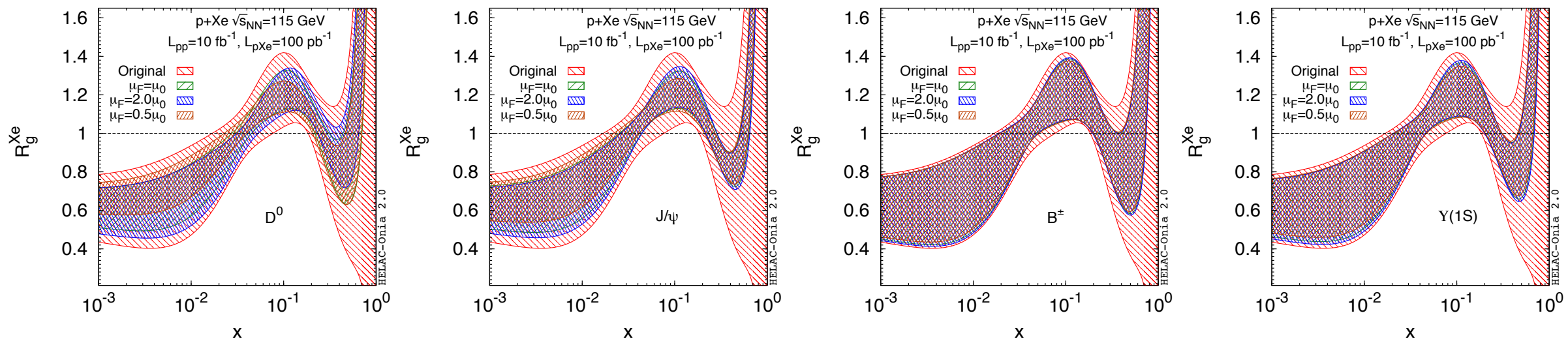
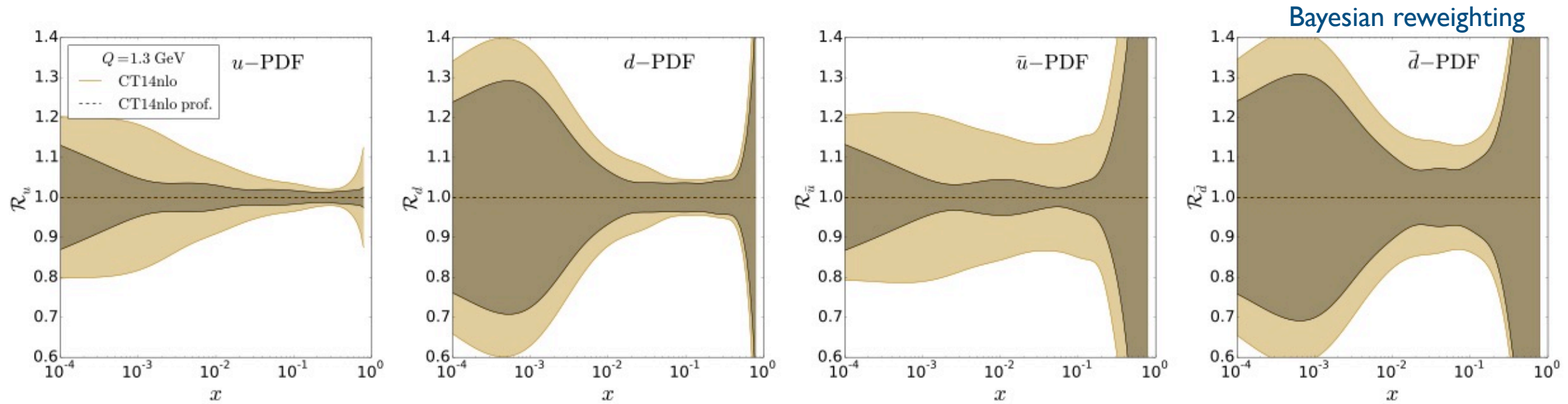
High-x physics



- Reduce the uncertainties on PDFs goes beyond the “simple” knowledge. Among others, it is a crucial ingredient for HEP measurements (even FCC) and predictions of physics processes BSM (e.g. heavy partners of the gauge bosons)
- Cosmic Ray Physics (e.g. to reduce the uncertainties on the prompt atmospheric neutrino flux)
- More insight into EMC effect

High-x physics

arXiv:1807.00603



Unique constraints on gluon nPDFs at high-x and low scales

Substantial improvement of the uncertainties

Cosmic Rays and DM

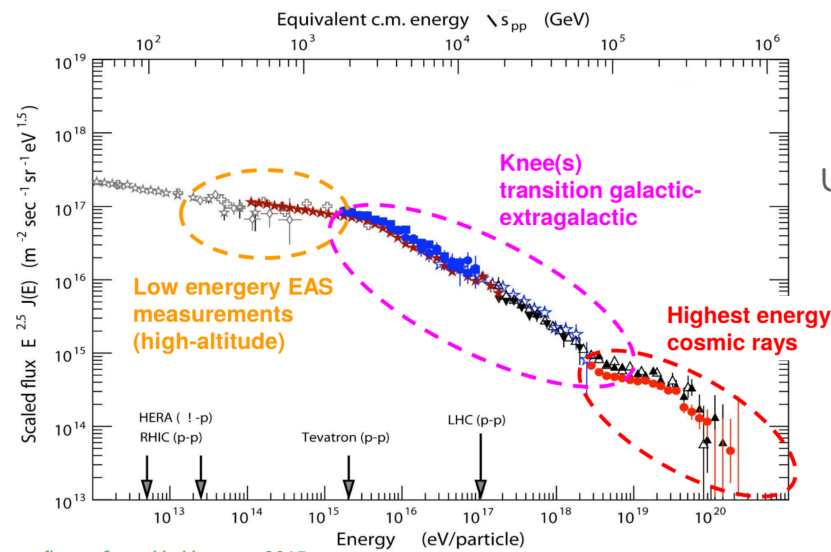
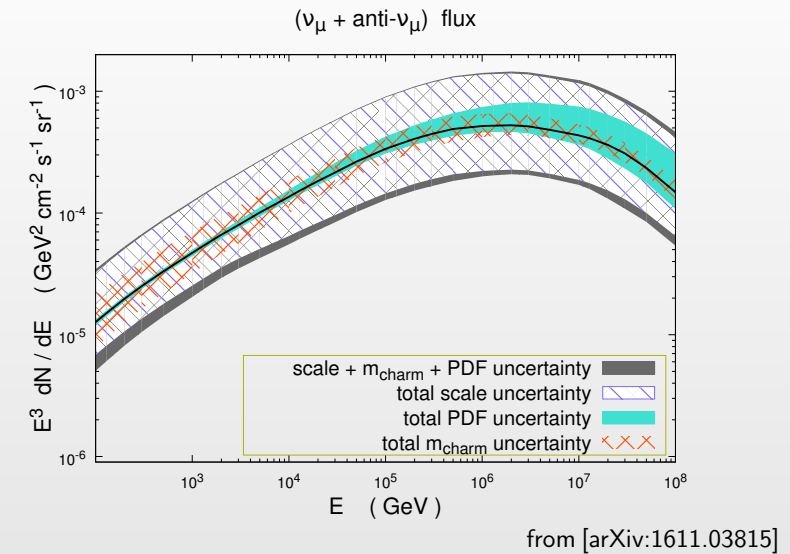


figure from H. Haungs, 2015

pHe, pO, pN
unique opportunities

PROSA prompt ($\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$) flux:
QCD scale, mass and PDF uncertainties

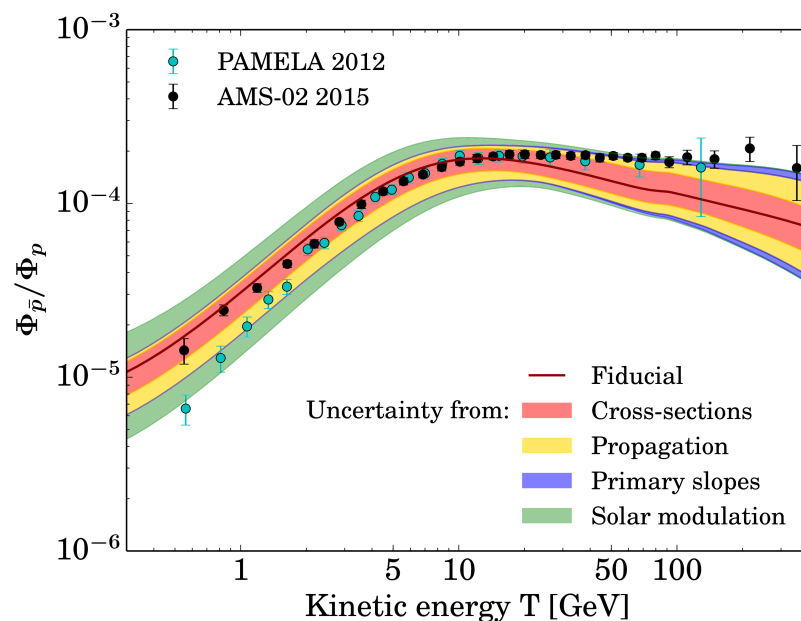


from [arXiv:1611.03815]

UHE CR composition (strongly model dependent) is still very uncertain! Solving the **composition problem** would be important to understand the CR production mechanisms

Big uncertainties from PDF

Antiproton issue: **Dark Matter** annihilation (primary), scatter on interstellar matter (secondary)



$$\sigma = \underbrace{\sigma_p^0}_{\text{measure + scaling}} + \underbrace{\sigma_p^\Lambda}_{\text{ignored}} + \underbrace{\sigma_n^0}_{= \sigma_p^0 \text{ assumed}} + \underbrace{\sigma^{\text{Hep, pHe, HeHe}}}_{\text{MC or simple scaling factors}}$$

Crucial inputs from LHCb data (FT)

- (n)PDF on nuclei present in interstellar medium
- validation of the theory used to describe HF hadroproduction
- cold and hot nuclear matter effects (in pA and AA collisions)

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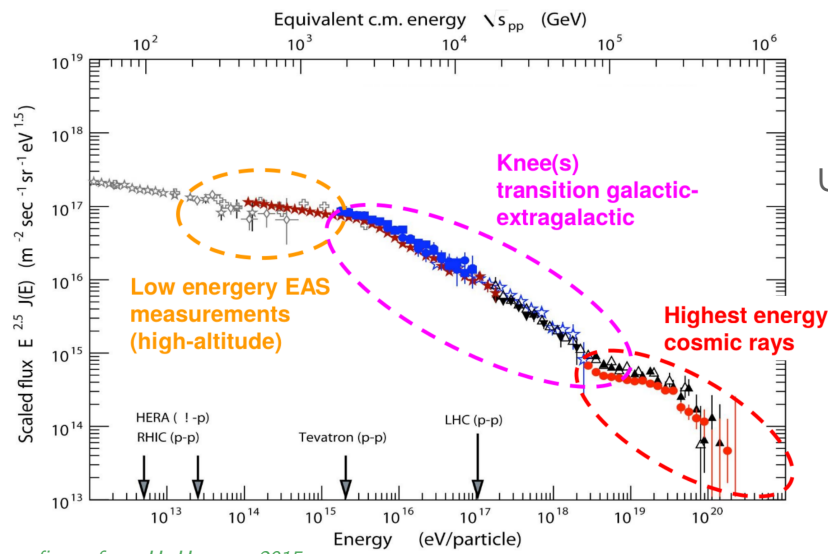
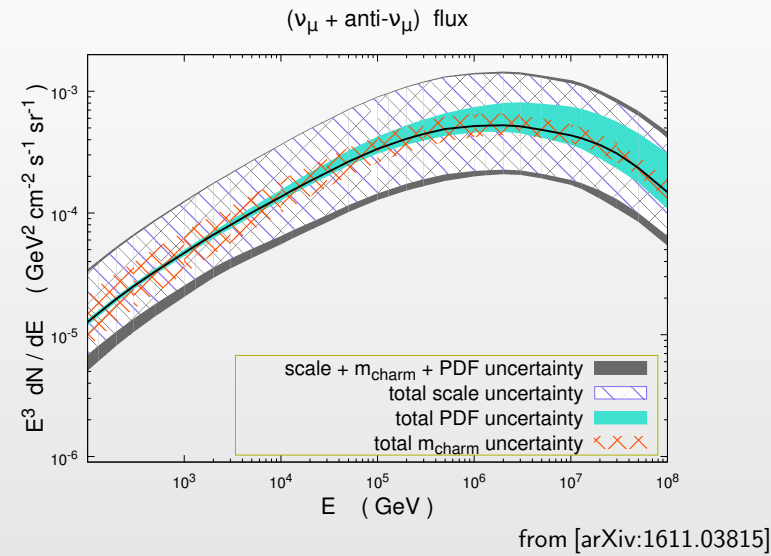


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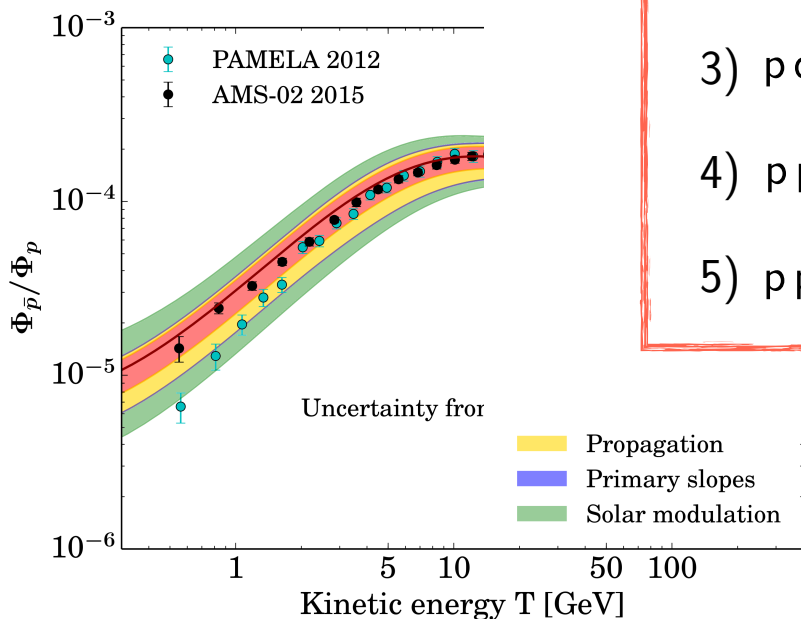
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Rid uncertainties from PDF

Antiproton issue: **Dark A** scatter on interstellar m



- Wishlist for fixed target measurements at LHCb from the CR community
- 1) pHe $\rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}, \bar{\Sigma}$ from existing run
 - 2) pp (H₂) $\rightarrow \bar{p}$ to test scaling violation in forward hemisphere
 - 3) pd $\rightarrow \bar{p}$ to test isospin effects
 - 4) pp, pHe $\rightarrow \bar{d}, \bar{H}e$ to determine coalescence momentum
 - 5) pp, pHe $\rightarrow \pi, K$ to model positron source term

pHe, HeHe
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Cb data (FT)

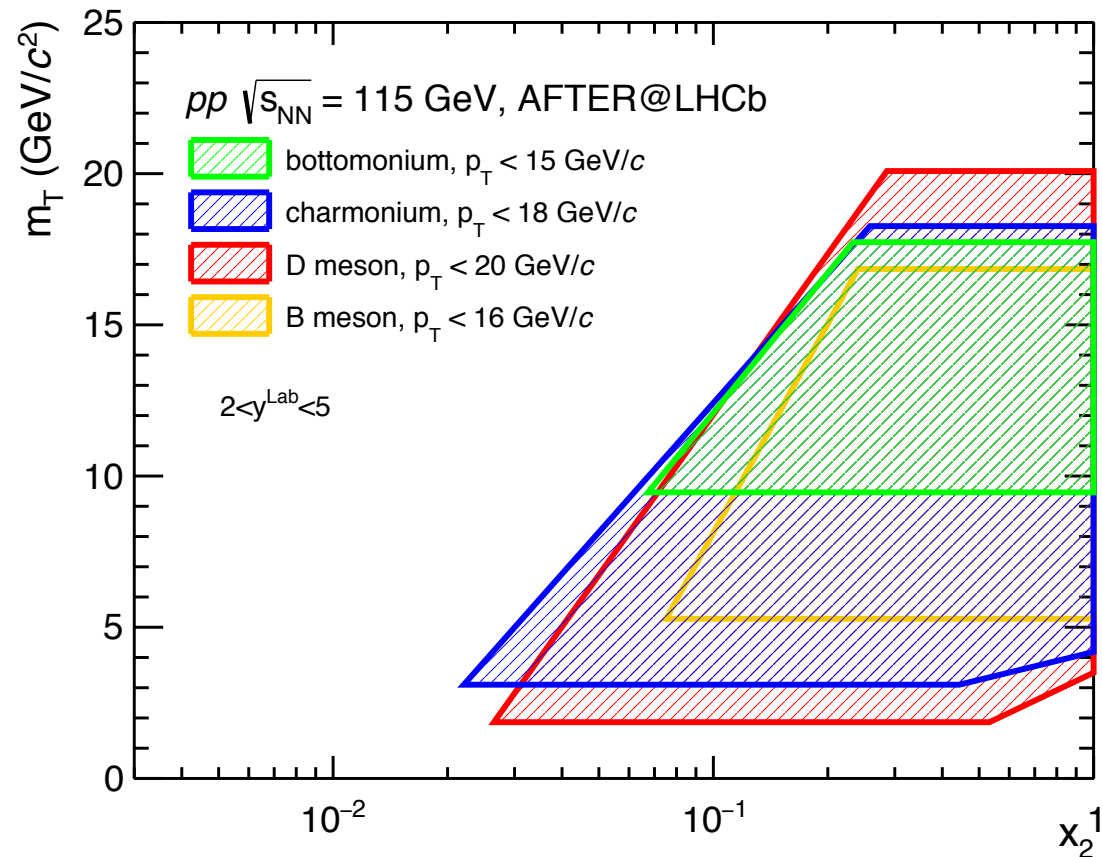
interstellar medium

variation of the theory used to describe HF hadroproduction
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Heavy Flavour

- Complementary D and B-physics done at high energies

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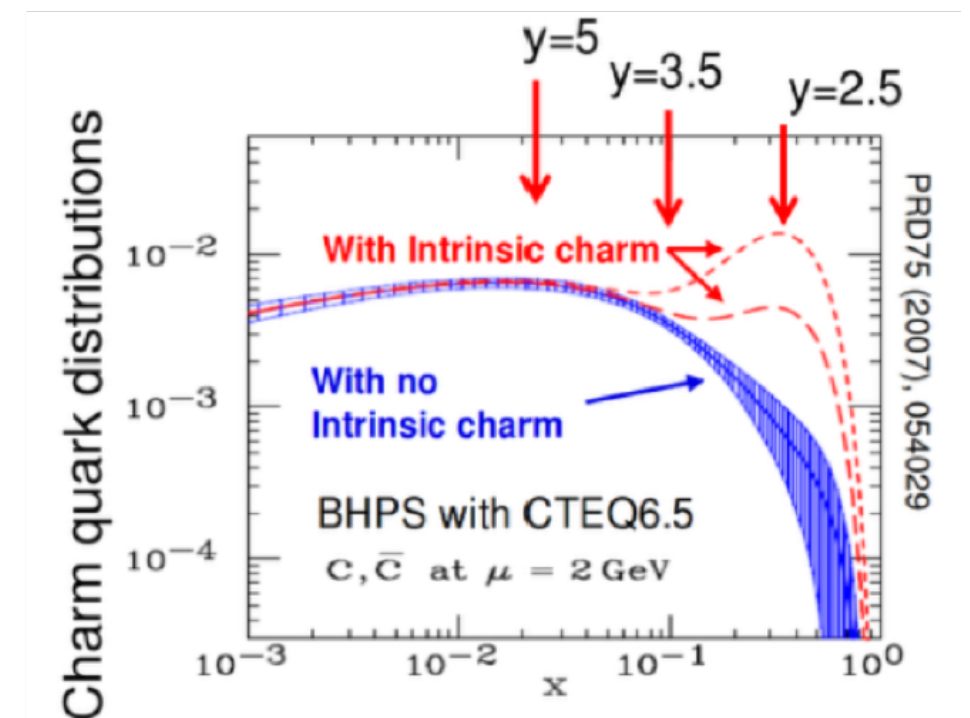


- Wide kinematical range
- Unique possibility to probe HF channels with the:
 - same spectrometer
 - same beam
 - at $\sqrt{s} = 115 \text{ GeV}$ and $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$

- Intrinsic heavy-quark:

-non-perturbative intrinsic charm
(already hints from LHCb-FT PRL 122, 132002 (2019))

-5-quark Fock state ($uudQQ$) of the proton at high- x



Statistics in full synergy mode (1 yr data taking)

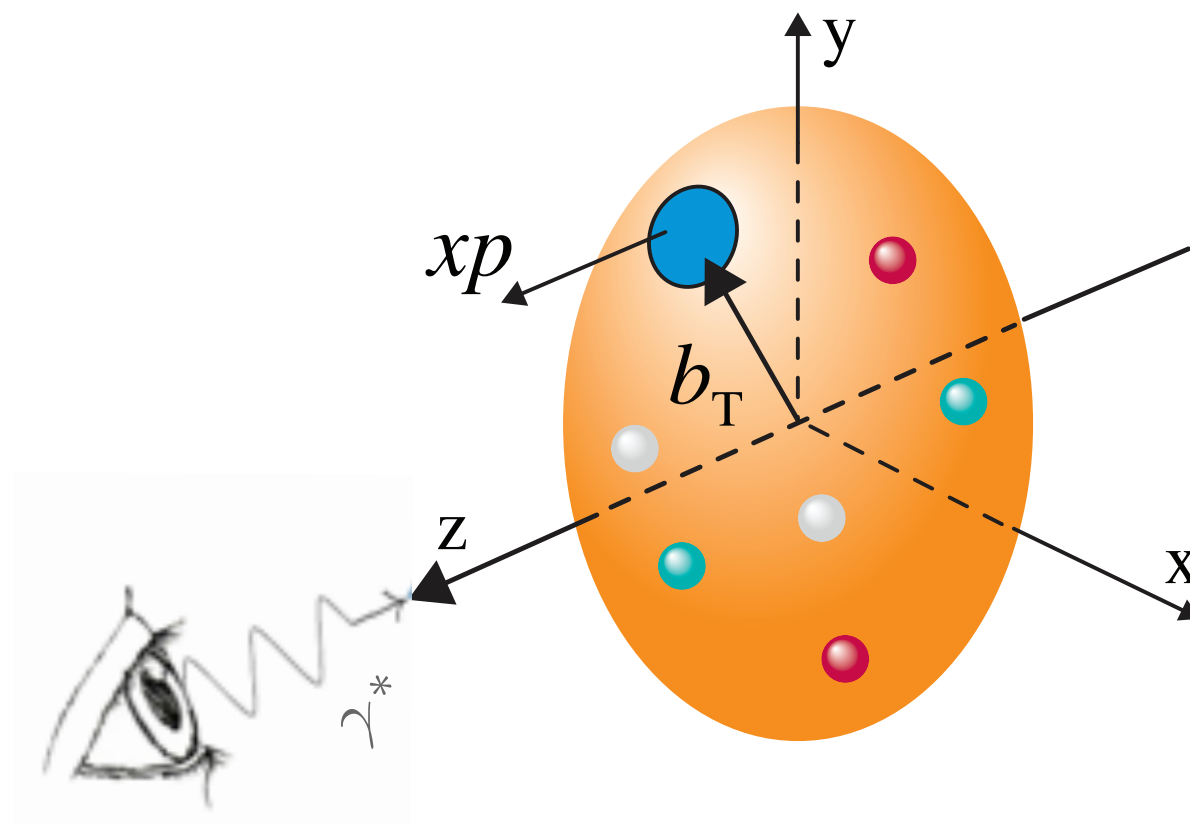
LHCb-PUB-2018-015

Storage cell assumptions	gas type	gas flow (s ⁻¹)	peak density (cm ⁻³)	areal density (cm ⁻²)	time per year (s)	int. lum. (pb ⁻¹)
Unpolarised gas	He	1.1×10^{16}	10^{12}	10^{13}	3×10^3	0.1
	Ne	3.4×10^{15}	10^{12}	10^{13}	3×10^3	0.1
	Ar	2.4×10^{15}	10^{12}	10^{13}	2.5×10^6	80
	Kr	8.5×10^{14}	5×10^{11}	5×10^{12}	1.7×10^6	25
	Xe	6.8×10^{14}	5×10^{11}	5×10^{12}	1.7×10^6	25
	H ₂	1.1×10^{16}	10^{12}	10^{13}	5×10^6	150
	D ₂	7.8×10^{15}	10^{12}	10^{13}	3×10^5	10
	O ₂	2.7×10^{15}	10^{12}	10^{13}	3×10^3	0.1
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example pAr @115 GeV

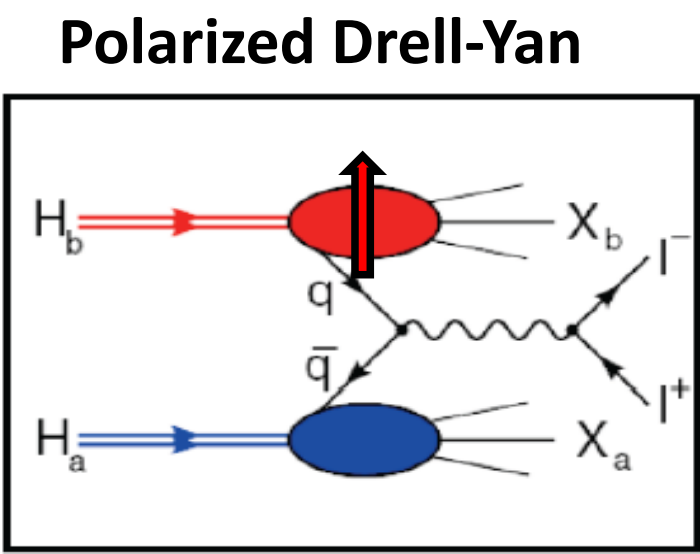
Int. Lumi.		80/pb
Sys.error of J/Ψ xsection		~3%
J/Ψ yield		28 M
D^0 yield		280 M
Λ_c yield		2.8 M
Ψ' yield		280 k
$\Upsilon(1S)$ yield		24 k
$DY \mu^+ \mu^-$ yield		24 k

Deep in the hadronic structure



Accessing the quark TMDs

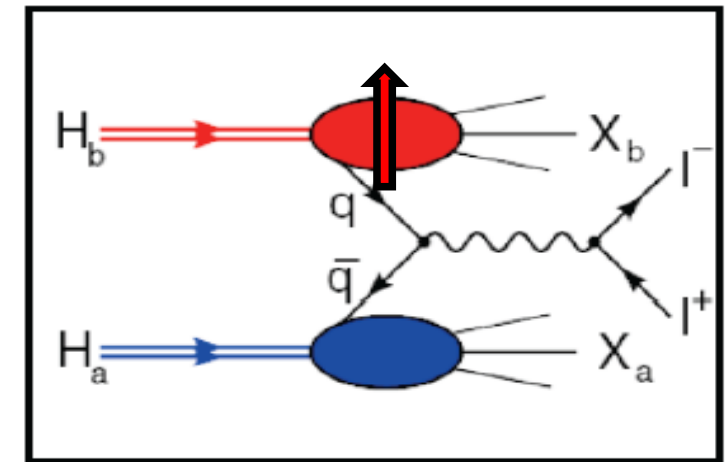
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Polarized Drell-Yan



Sensitive to quark TMDs up to high $x_2^\uparrow$ through TSSAs

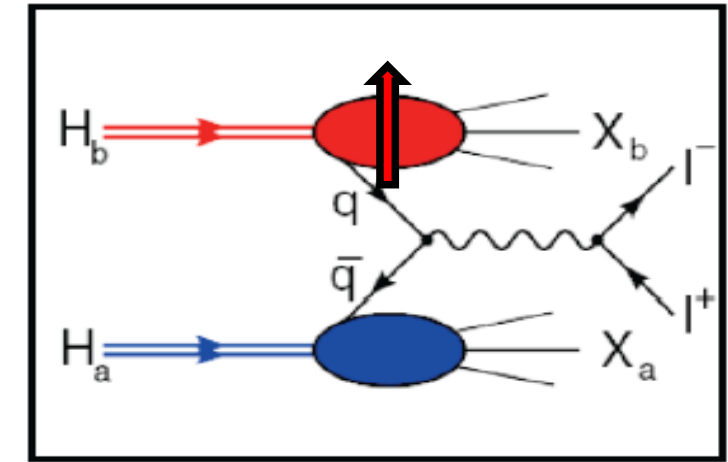
$$A_{UT}^{\sin\phi_S} \sim \frac{f_1^q \otimes f_{1T}^{\perp q}}{f_1^q \otimes f_1^q} \quad A_{UT}^{\sin(2\phi+\phi_S)} \sim \frac{h_1^{\perp q} \otimes h_{1T}^{\perp q}}{f_1^q \otimes f_1^q} \quad A_{UT}^{\sin(2\phi-\phi_S)} \sim \frac{h_1^{\perp q} \otimes h_1^q}{f_1^q \otimes f_1^q}$$

(ϕ : azimuthal orientation of lepton pair in dilepton CM)

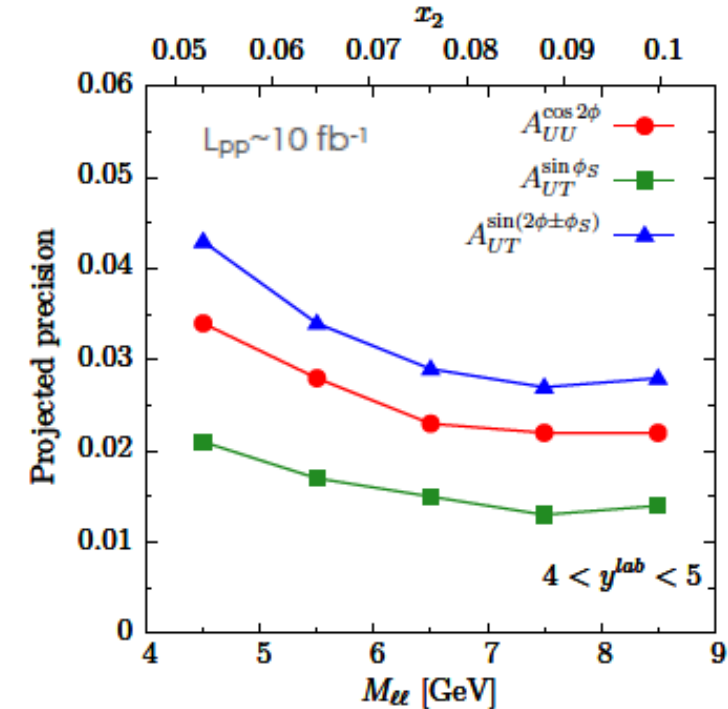
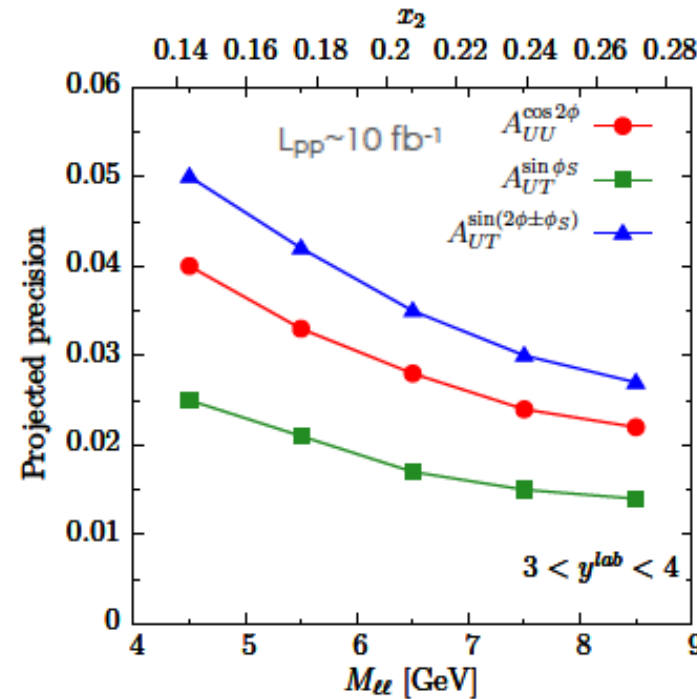
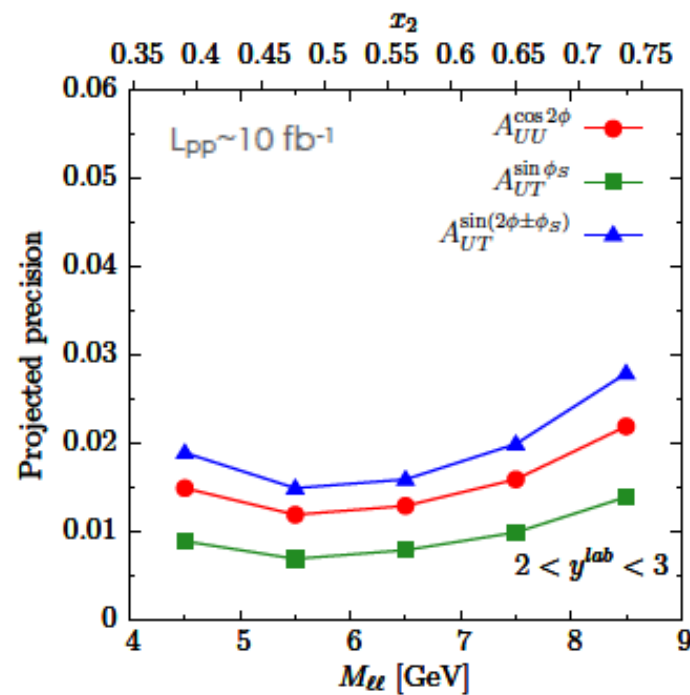
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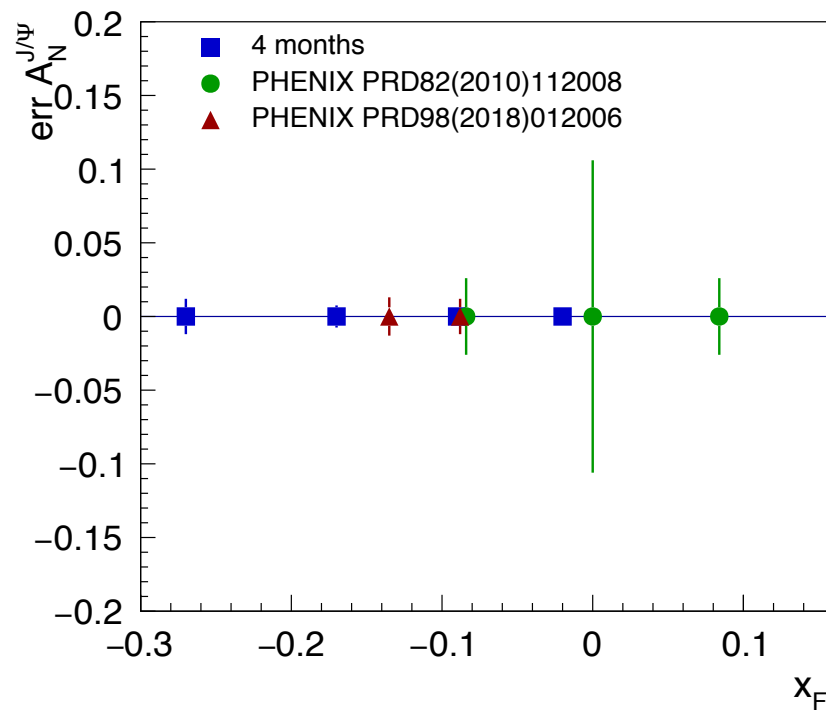
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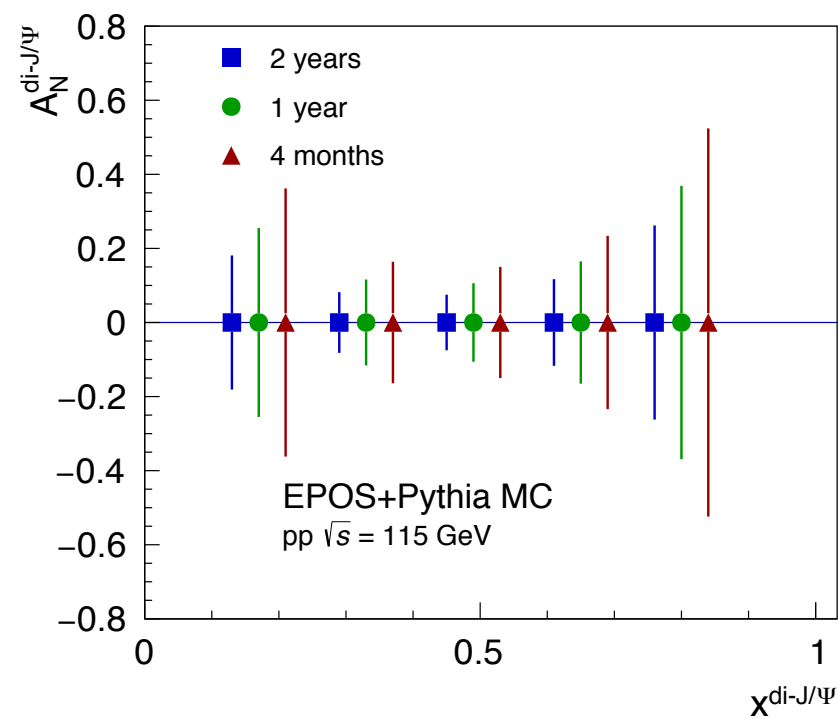
High precision achievable for observables connected to (i.e.) the transversity, the Boer-Mulders function, the pretzelosity and the Sivers TMDs

... heavy quark sector

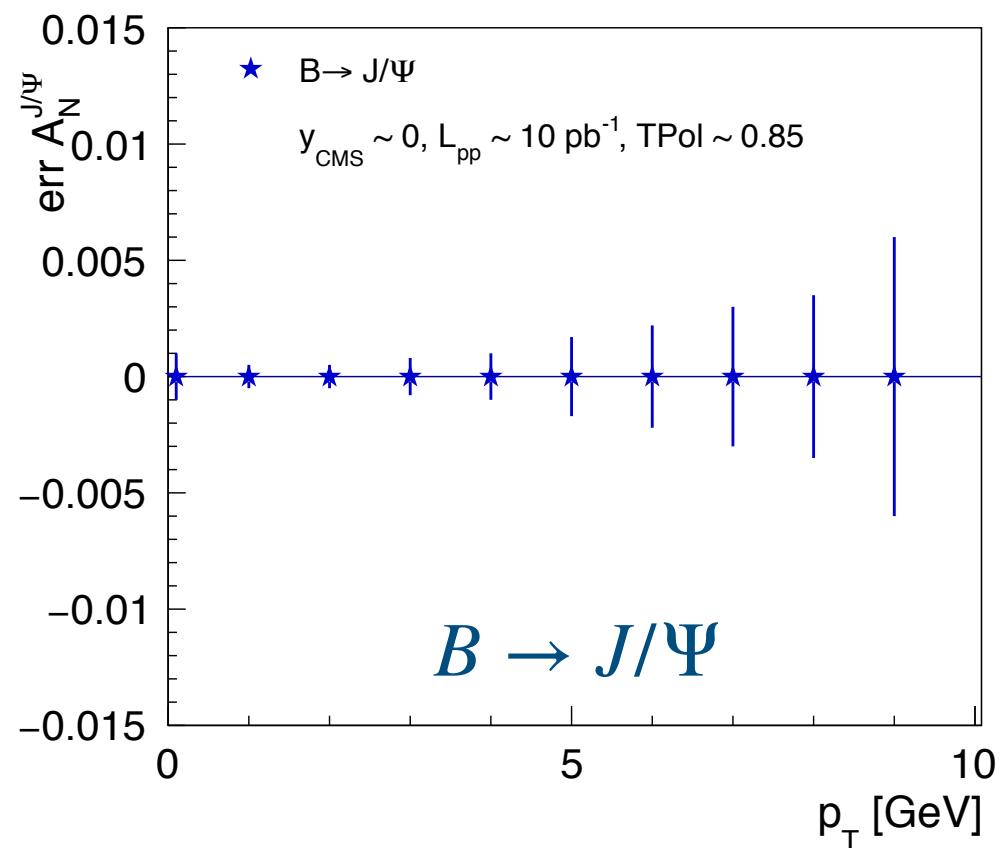
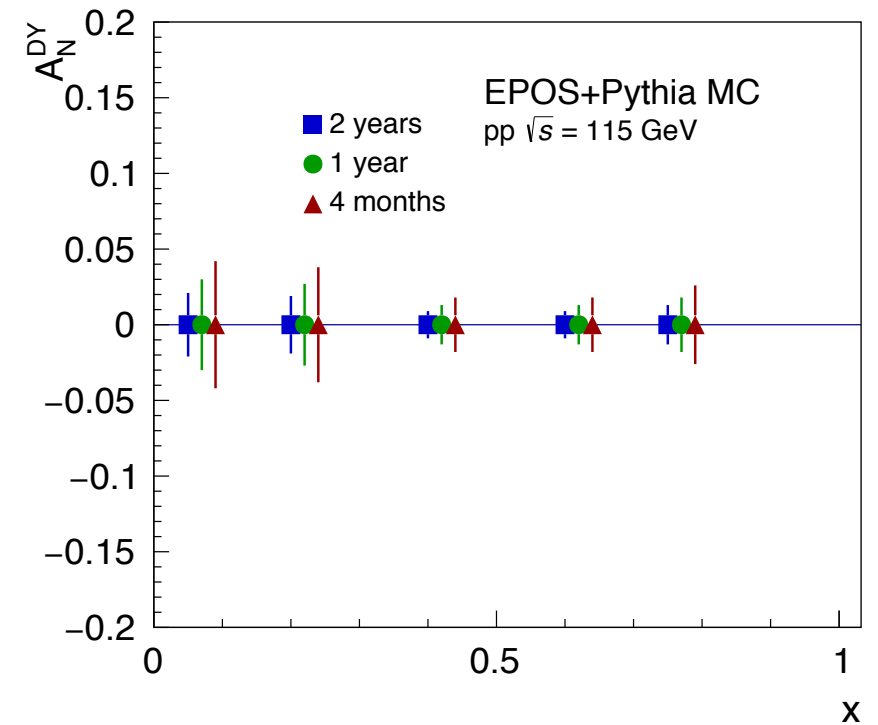
J/Ψ



$di - J/\Psi$



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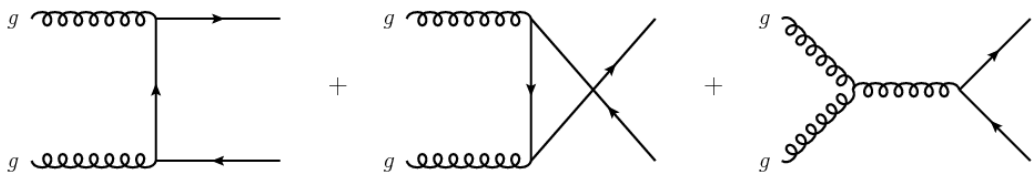


Such measurement would open a new era
of precision measurements in spin physics
using heavy-quark probes

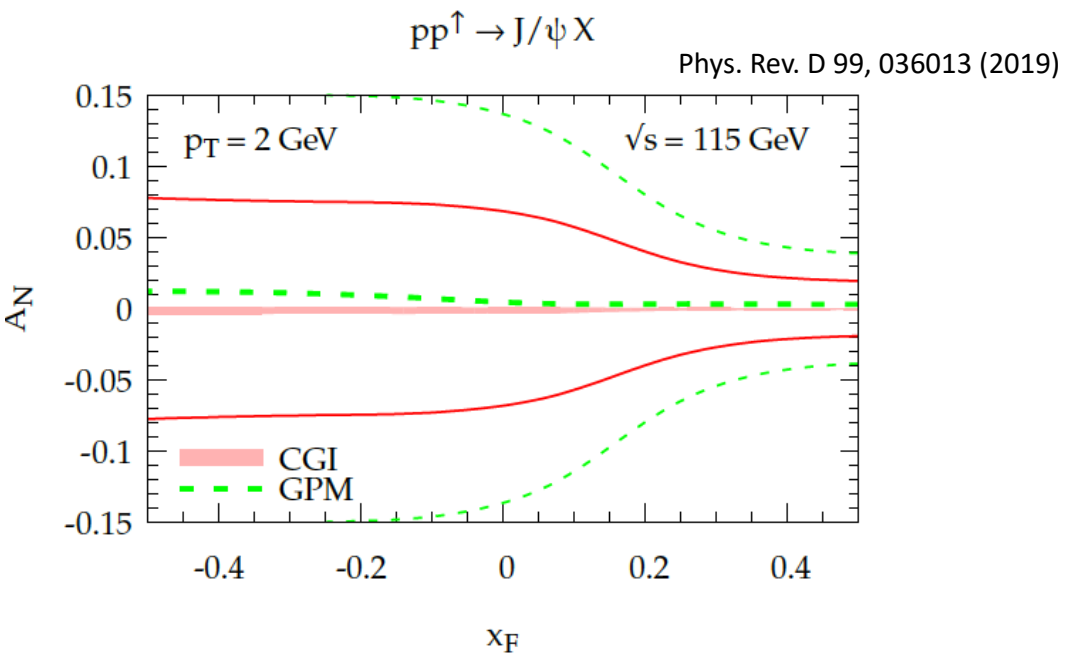
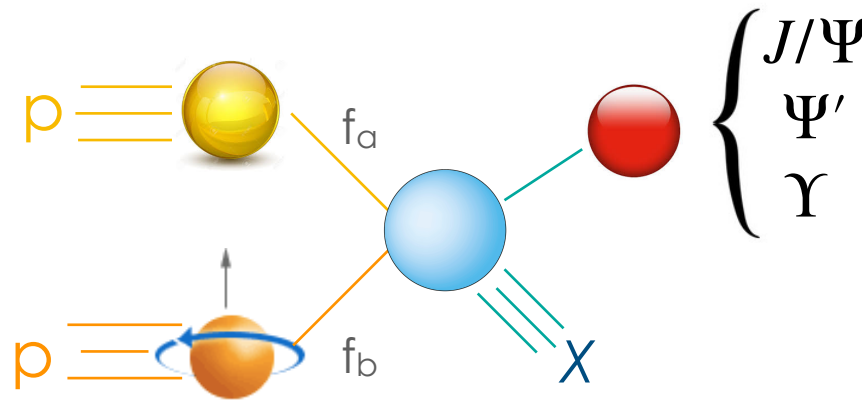
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In high-energy hadron collisions
Heavy Quarks are dominantly
produced through gg interactions:



The most efficient way to access
the gluon dynamics inside the
proton at LHC is to measure Heavy
Flavour observables



LHCb can measure nearly all quarkonia states (including C-even) with high precision!
The expected yields are much larger than previous fixed-target experiments.
Heavy mesons are unique observables, poorly accessible from other hadron-hadron experiments
 [unique channels: pseudoscalar quarkonia (η , η_c , $\eta_c(2S)$, $\chi_{c,b}$), Y , J/Ψ , Ψ' , $di\text{-}J/\Psi$, $Y(1,2,3S)$, D , B -mesons, DY ($\mu^+\mu^-$)]

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unpolarized gluon TMD

Weizsacker-Williams (WW) gluon distributions

dipole (DP) gluon distributions

[D. Boer: [arXiv:1611.06089](#)]

	DIS	DY	SIDIS	$pA \rightarrow \gamma \text{ jet } X$	$ep \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$ $ep \rightarrow e' j_1 j_2 X$	$pp \rightarrow \eta_{c,b} X$ $pp \rightarrow H X$	$pp \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma X$ $pp \rightarrow \Upsilon \gamma X$
$f_1^g^{[+,+]}$ (WW)	×	×	×	×	✓	✓	✓
$f_1^g^{[+,-]}$ (DP)	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	×

linearly polarized gluon TMD

	$pp \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X$	$pA \rightarrow \gamma^* \text{ jet } X$	$ep \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$ $ep \rightarrow e' j_1 j_2 X$	$pp \rightarrow \eta_{c,b} X$ $pp \rightarrow H X$	$pp \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma X$ $pp \rightarrow \Upsilon \gamma X$
$h_1^{\perp g [+,+]}$ (WW)	✓	×	✓	✓	✓
$h_1^{\perp g [+, -]}$ (DP)	×	✓	×	×	×

TMDs
(Sivers)

[D. Boer: [arXiv:1611.06089](#), D. Boer et al. HEPJ 08 2016 001]

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$f_{1T}^{\perp g [+,+]}$ (WW)	×	×	×	×	✓	✓
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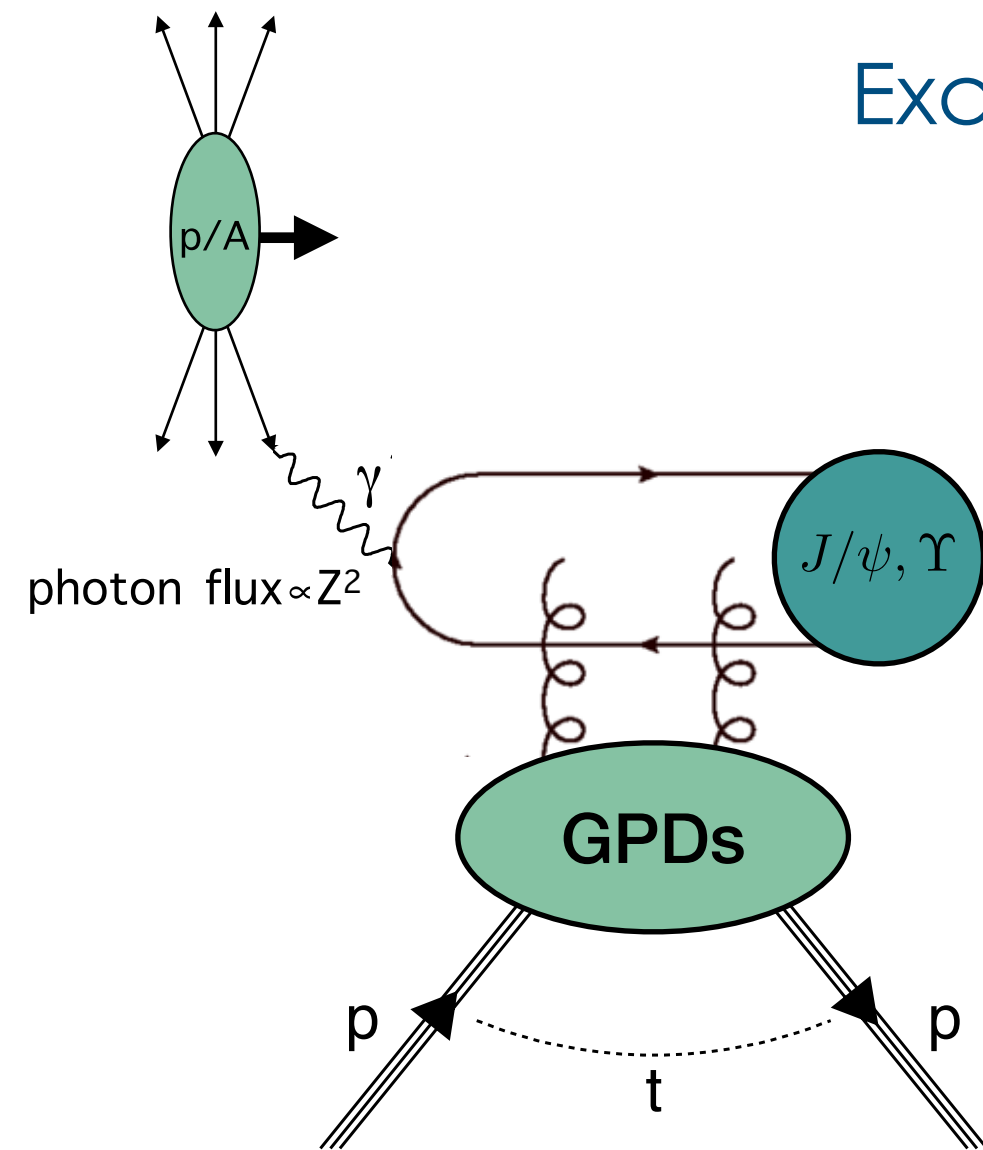
$f_{1T}^{\perp g [+,+]}$ (Weizsacker-Williams type or “f-type”) → antisymmetric colour structures

$f_{1T}^{\perp g [+, -]}$ (Dipole s type or “d-type”) → symmetric colour structures

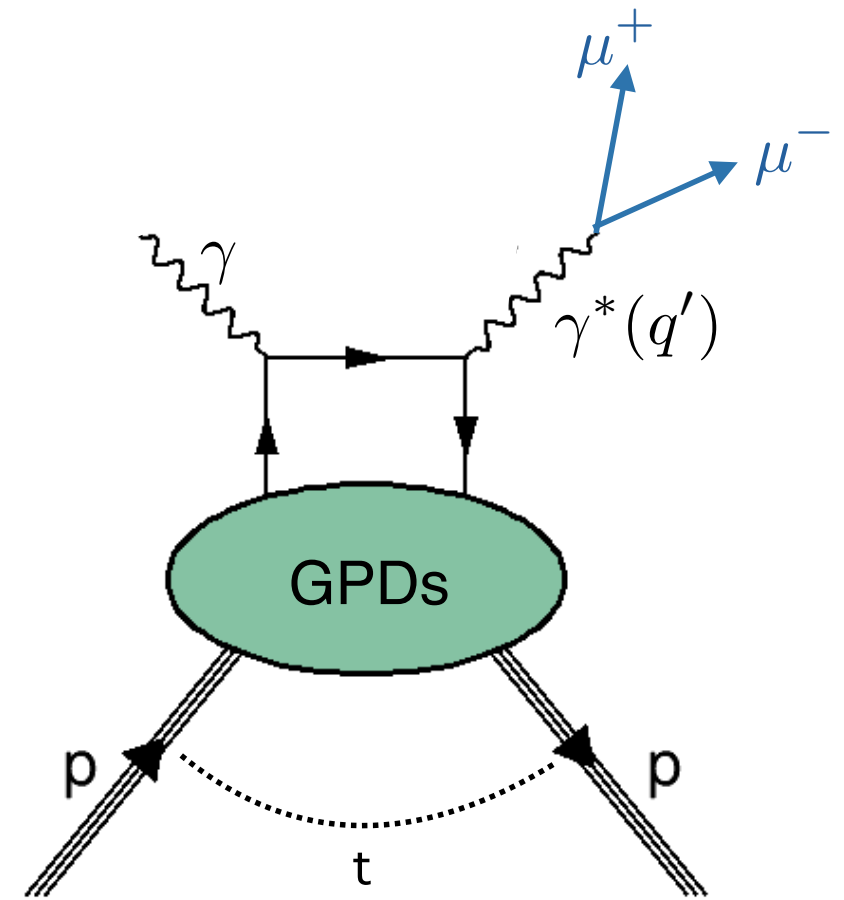
Sign change:
Universality of QCD
(indication from COMPASS and RHIC)

- Can be measured at the Electron Ion-Collider (EIC)
- Can be measured at FT-LHCb

Exclusive physics via UPC



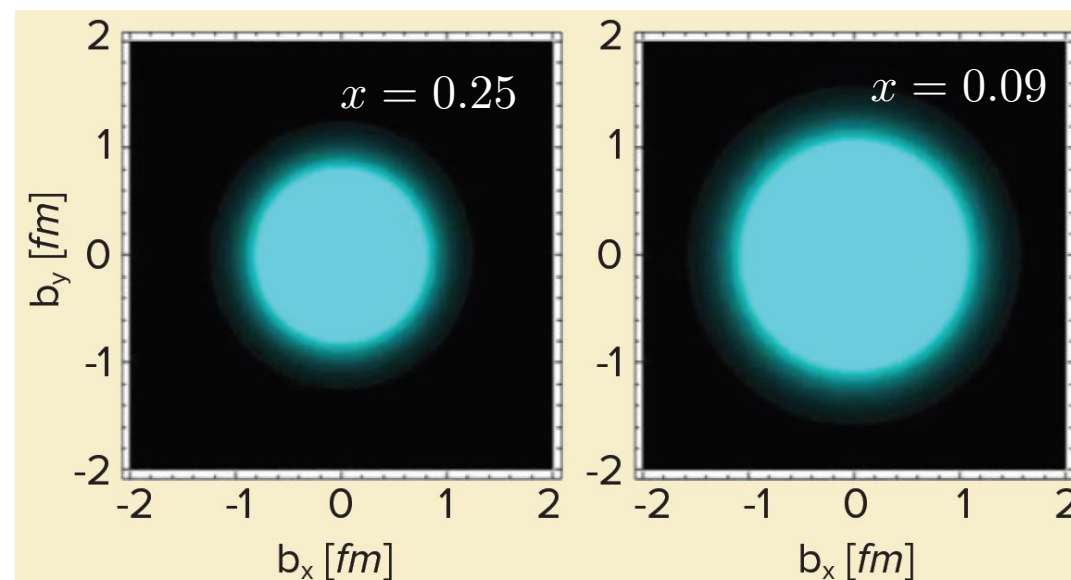
Exclusive meson production



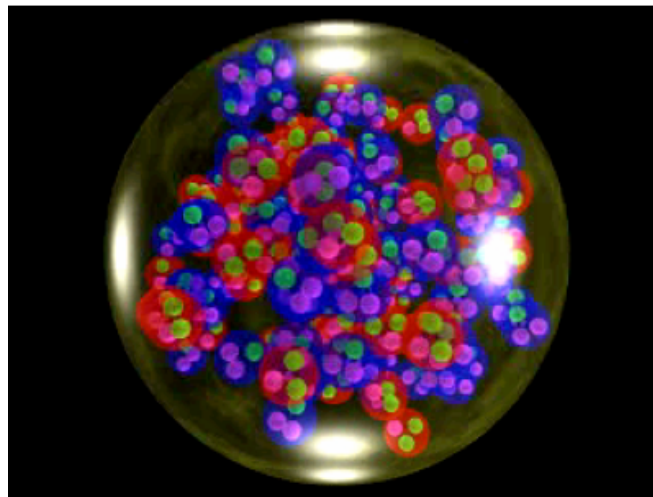
Timelike Compton scattering

2015 Long Range Plan for Nuclear Science

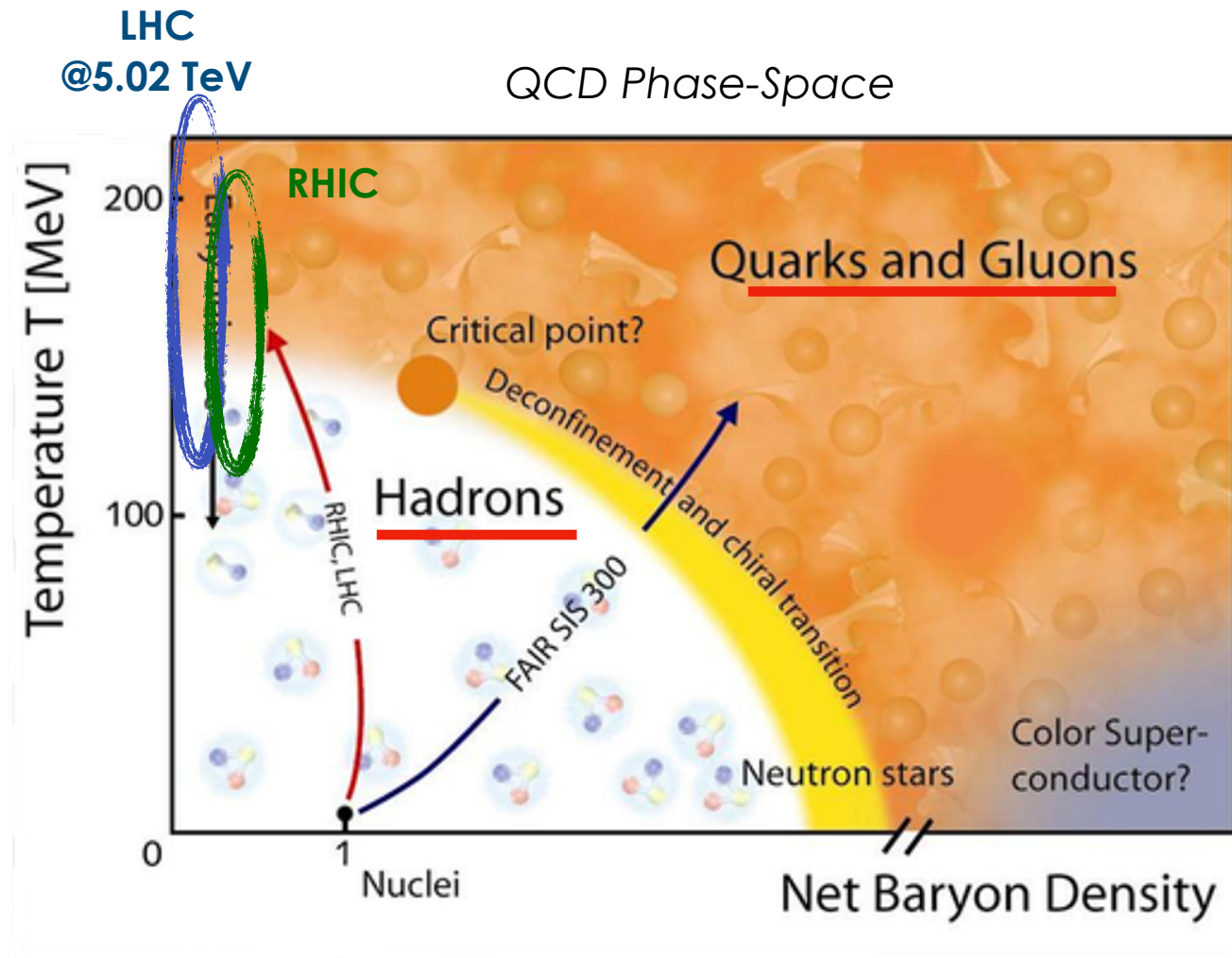
One of the objectives:
3D pictures in coordinate (impact
parameter) space



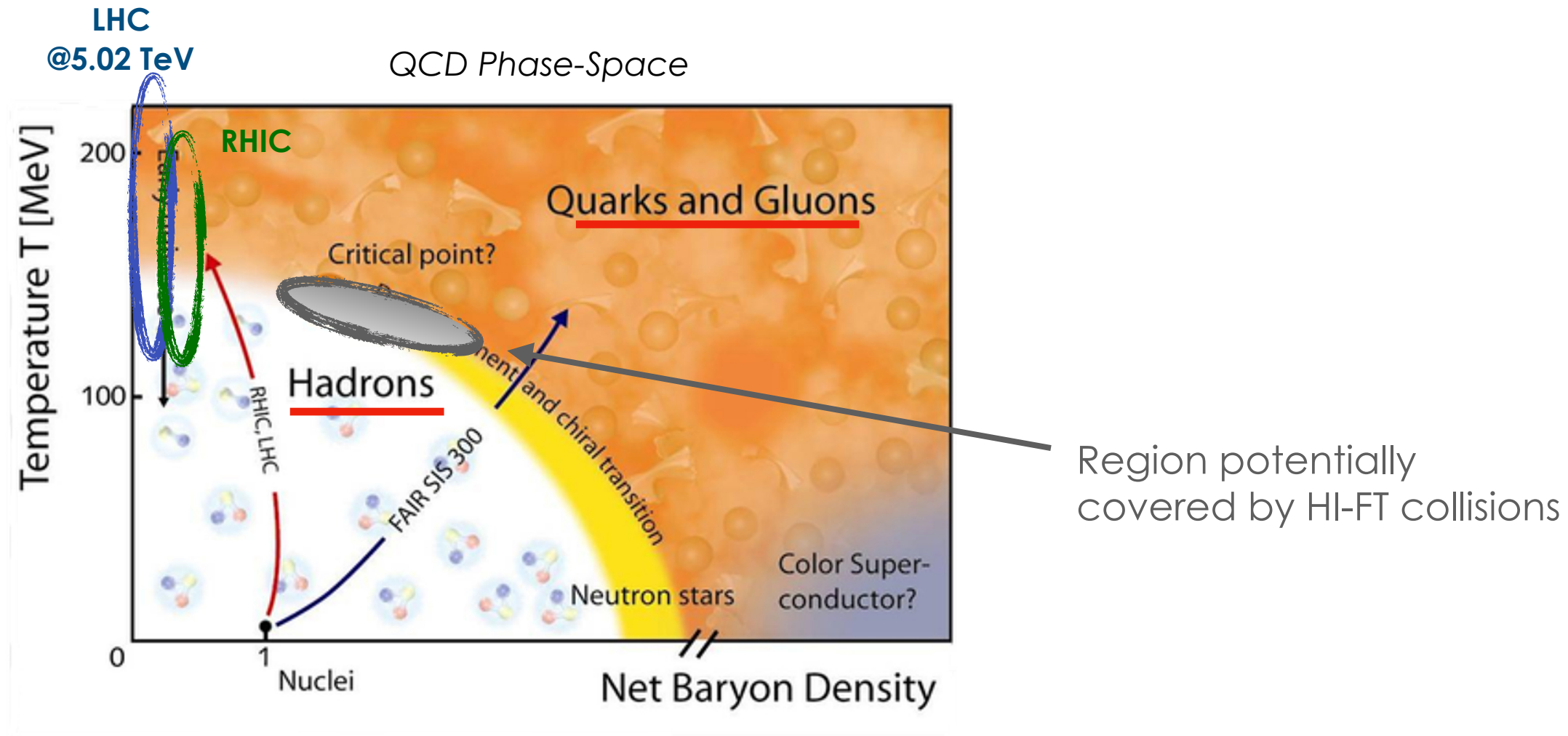
Heavy-Ion world



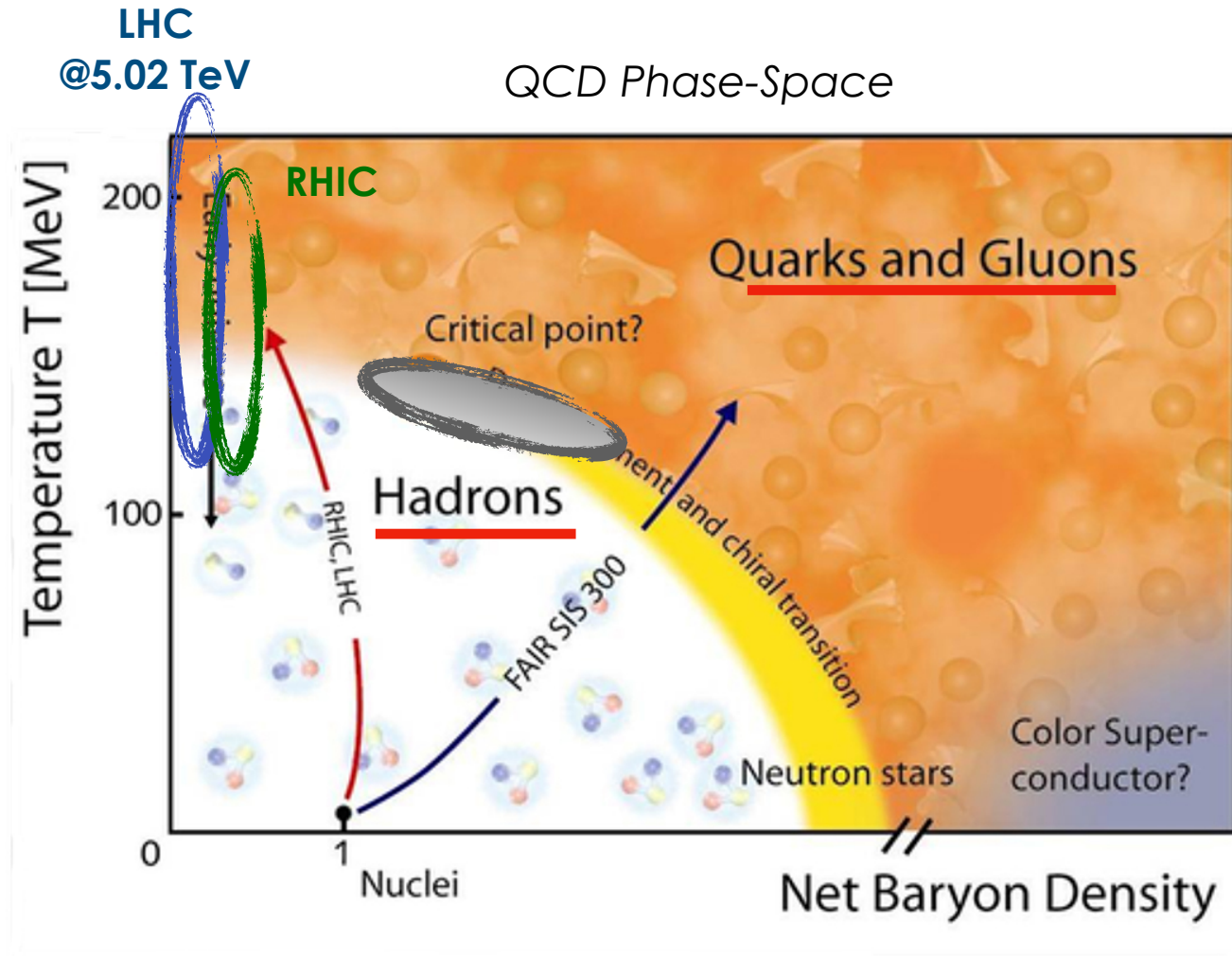
Heavy-Ion collision: QGP and phase transition



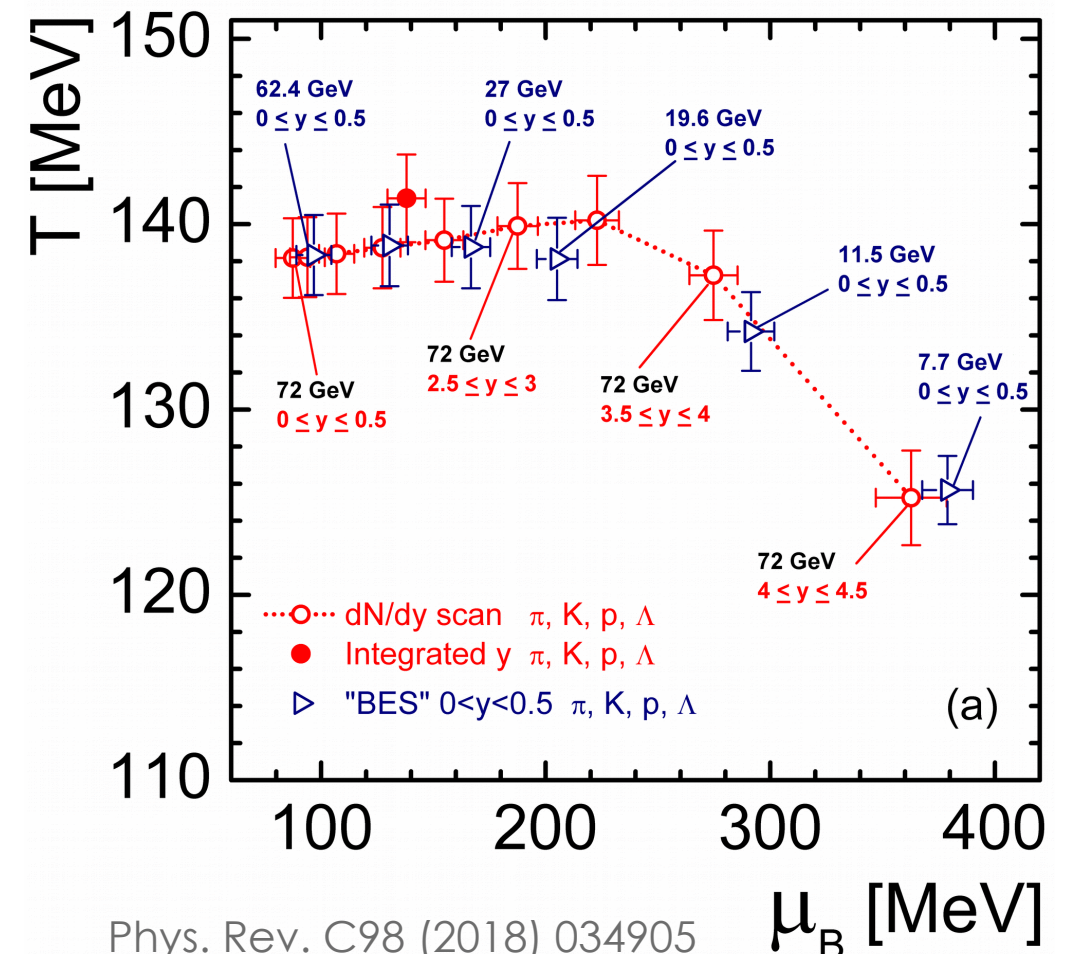
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how to scan the phase space

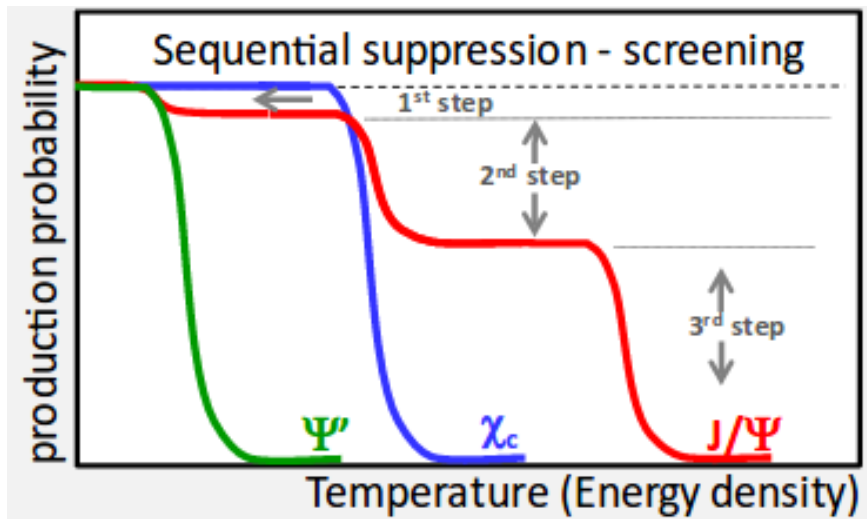


3 experimental degrees of freedom: rapidity scan, different colliding systems, centrality dependence

Rapidity scan at 72 GeV with FT@LHC can complement the RHIC beam energy scan from 62.4 GeV down to 7.7 GeV (at $y_{\text{cms}} \sim 0$)

Color screening and sequential suppression

- Color Screening in hot nuclear matter prevents formation of $c\bar{c}$ bound states

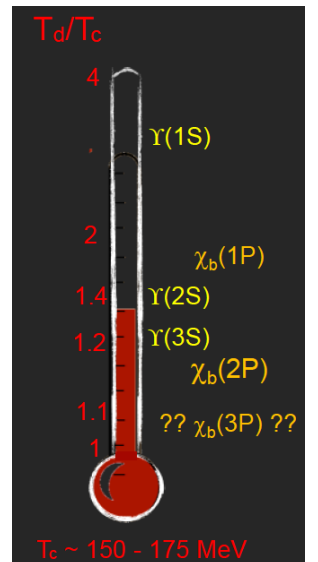


$c\bar{c}$ bound states: J/ψ , χ_c , ψ' , ... different binding energy, different dissociation temperature



sequential suppression pattern

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Dissociation temperature from lattice QCD (+hydro)

- QGP tomography

Probing:

- the longitudinal extension of the hot medium (high rapidities)
- the colliding systems of different sizes
- the centrality dependence
- with and w/o HF probes

Temperature dependence of the shear viscosity to entropy density ratio (η/s) by measuring the rapidity dependence of the anisotropic flow



3D+1 viscous hydrodynamic calculations

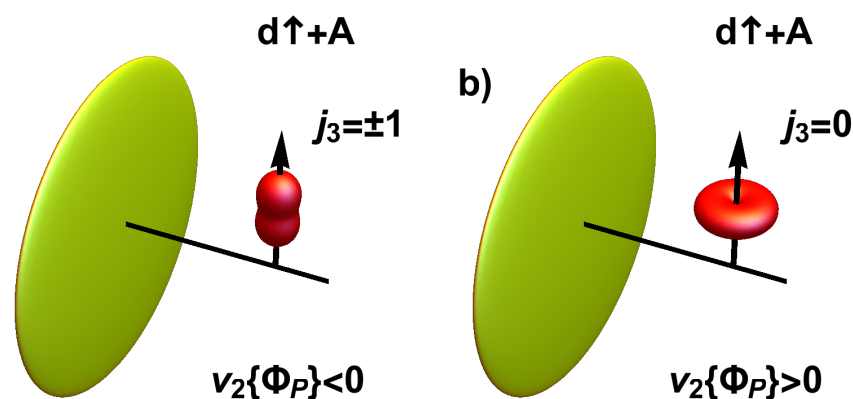
Elliptic flow in ultra-relativistic collisions with polarised deuterons

arXiv:1906.09045, 2001.10260

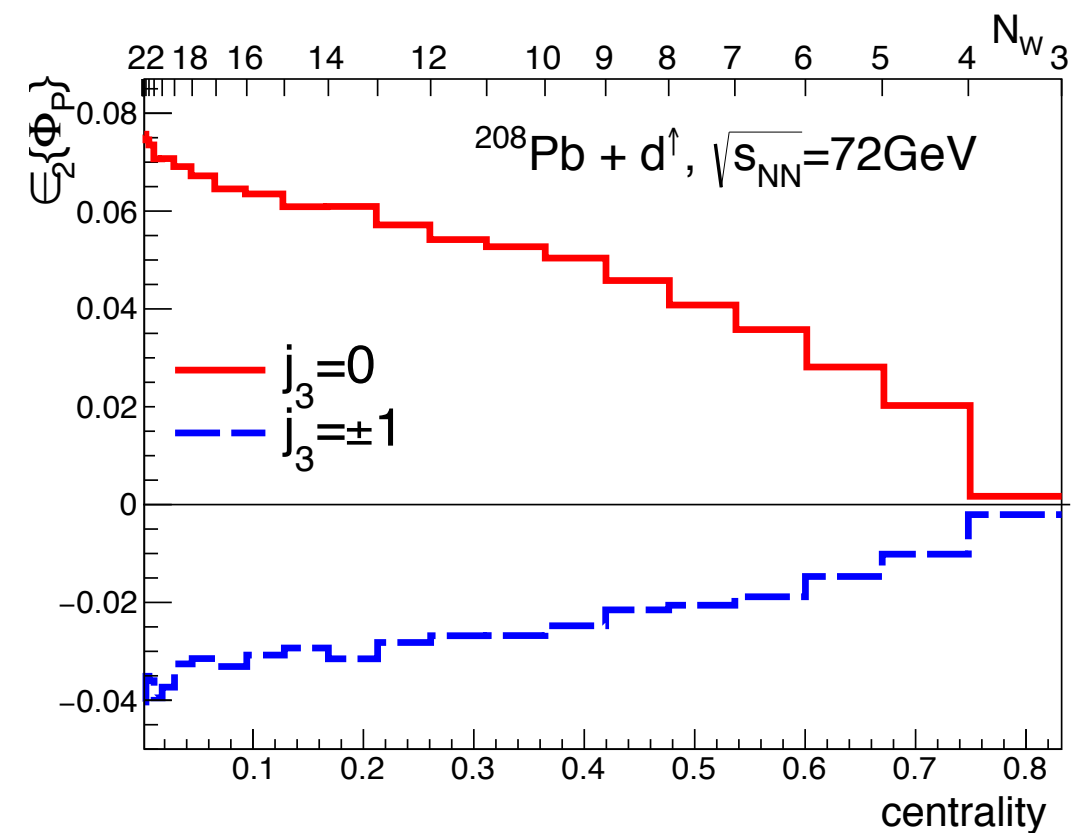
Ridge and flow measurements, connected to collectivity phenomena, are among the most interesting results achieved in the last years in the QGP physics.

We can put this in connection with spin clarifying the nature of dynamics in small systems

its experimental confirmation would prove the presence of the shape-flow transmutation mechanism, typical of hydrodynamic expansion, or rescattering in the later stages of the fireball evolution



ultra-relativistic d+A collision, where the deuteron is polarised along the axis Φ_P perpendicular to the beam



Ellipticities of the fireball

A polarised target at LHC can easily provide Pb $D^\uparrow$ collisions

This is going to happen at



Phase I
unpolarised target

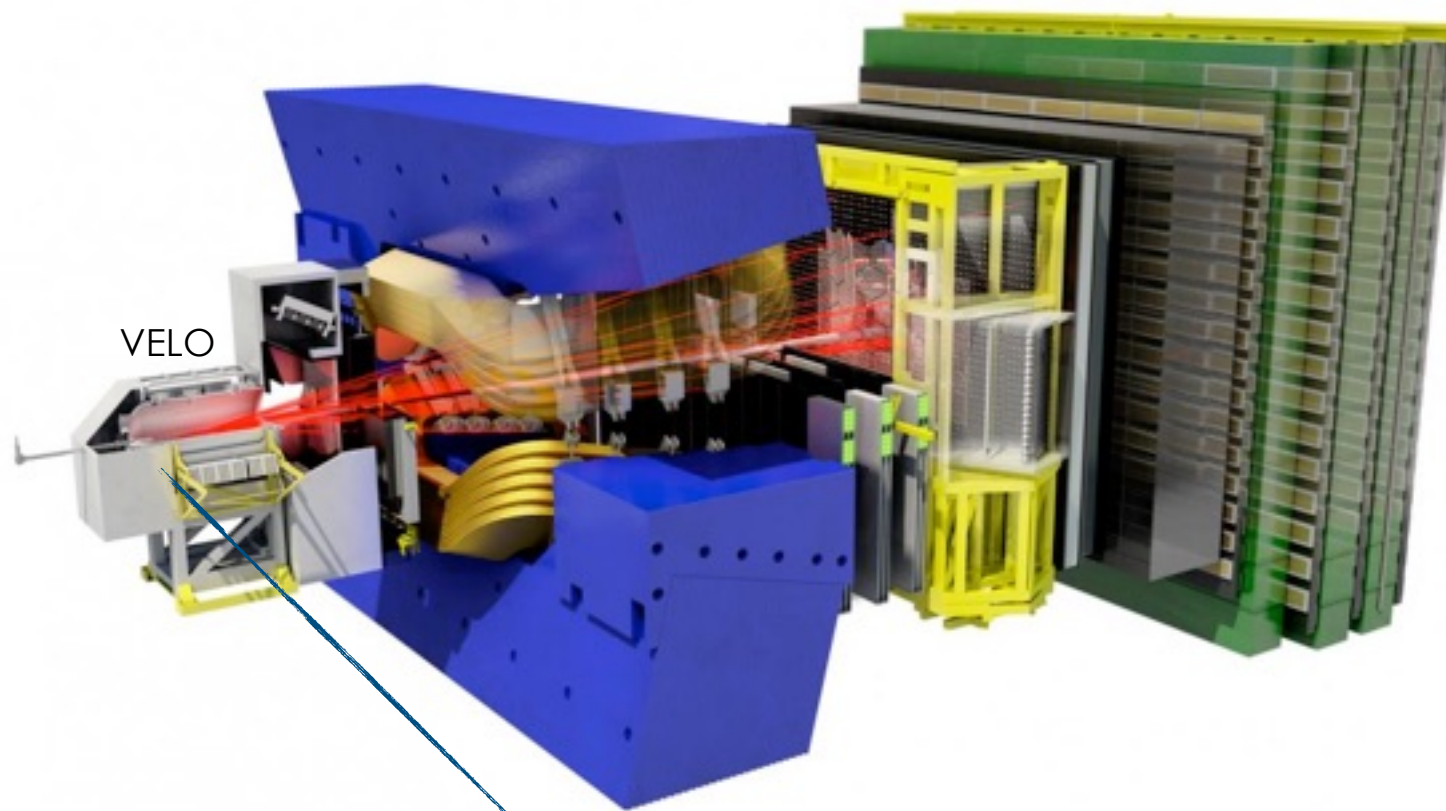
Phase II
transversely
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Now!

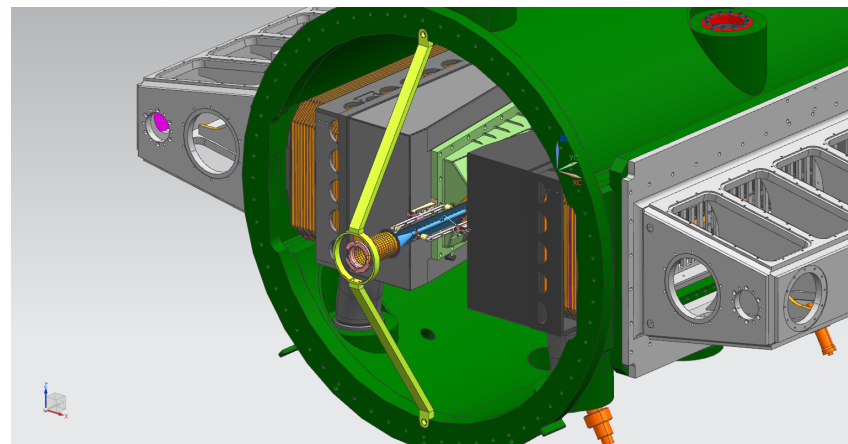


We aim at installing it in
the LHC LS3 (2025-...)

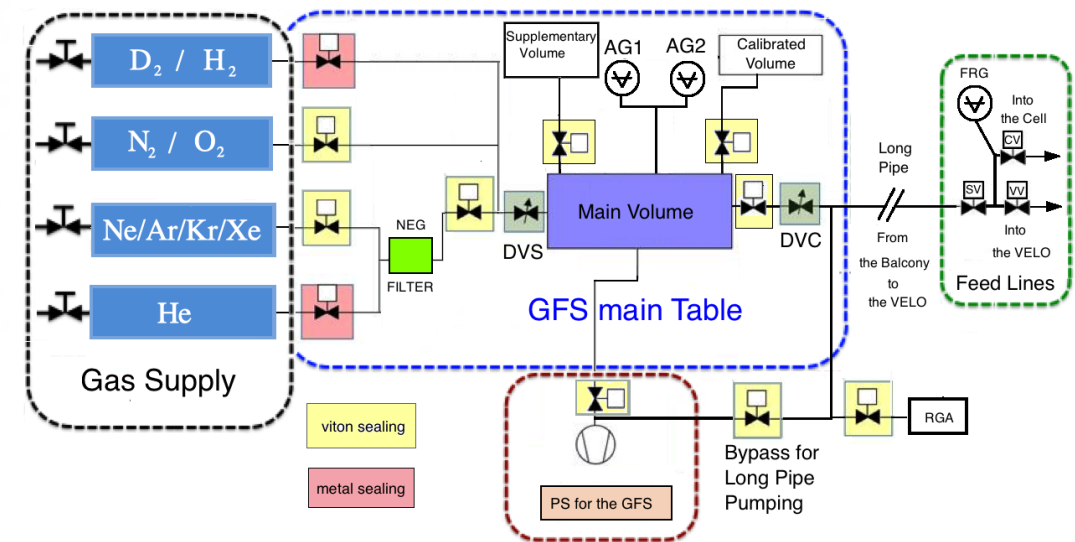
Installation in August 2020
Data taking during LHC Run3 2022-2024



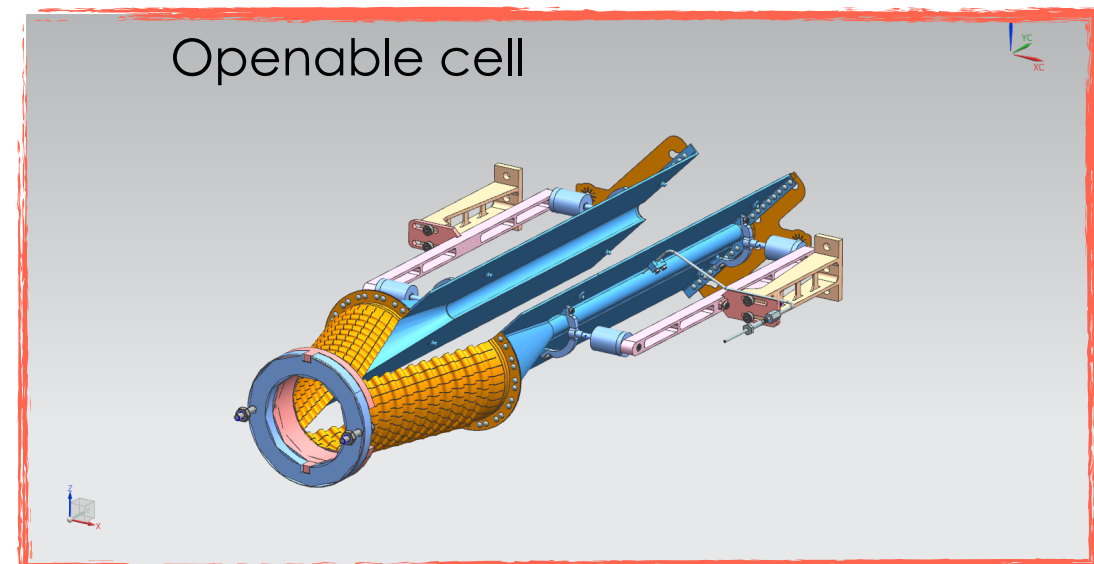
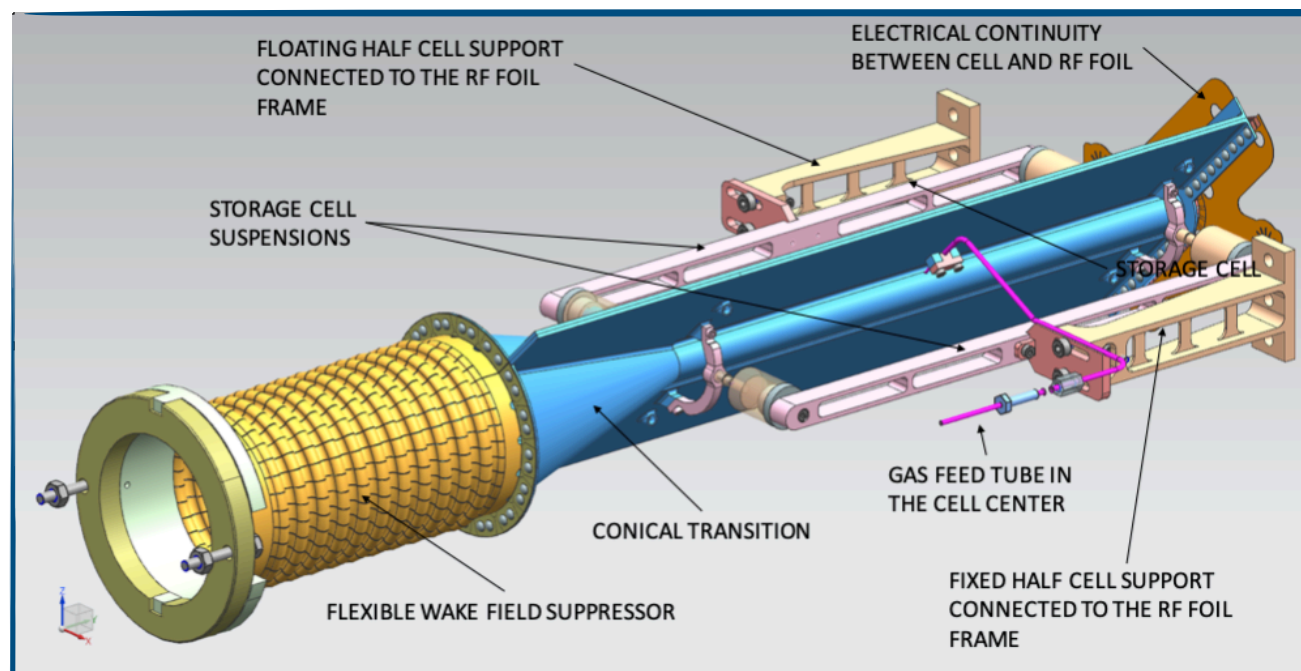
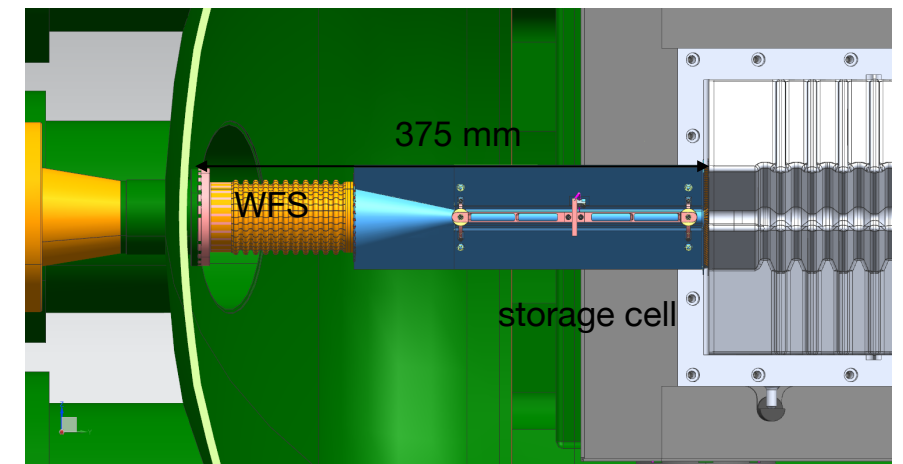
It is the only object into the LHC primary vacuum

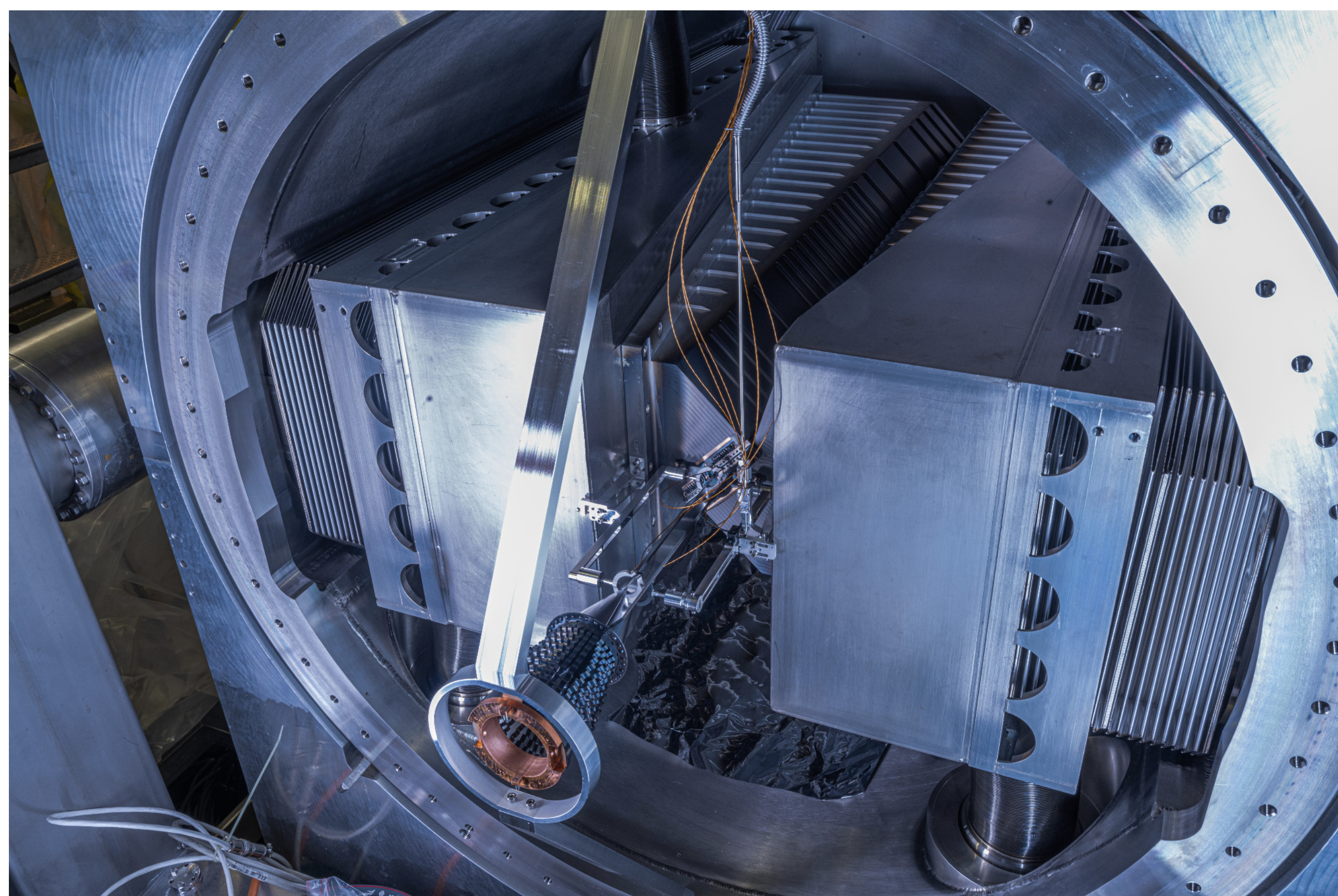


Gas Feed System



Internal side view





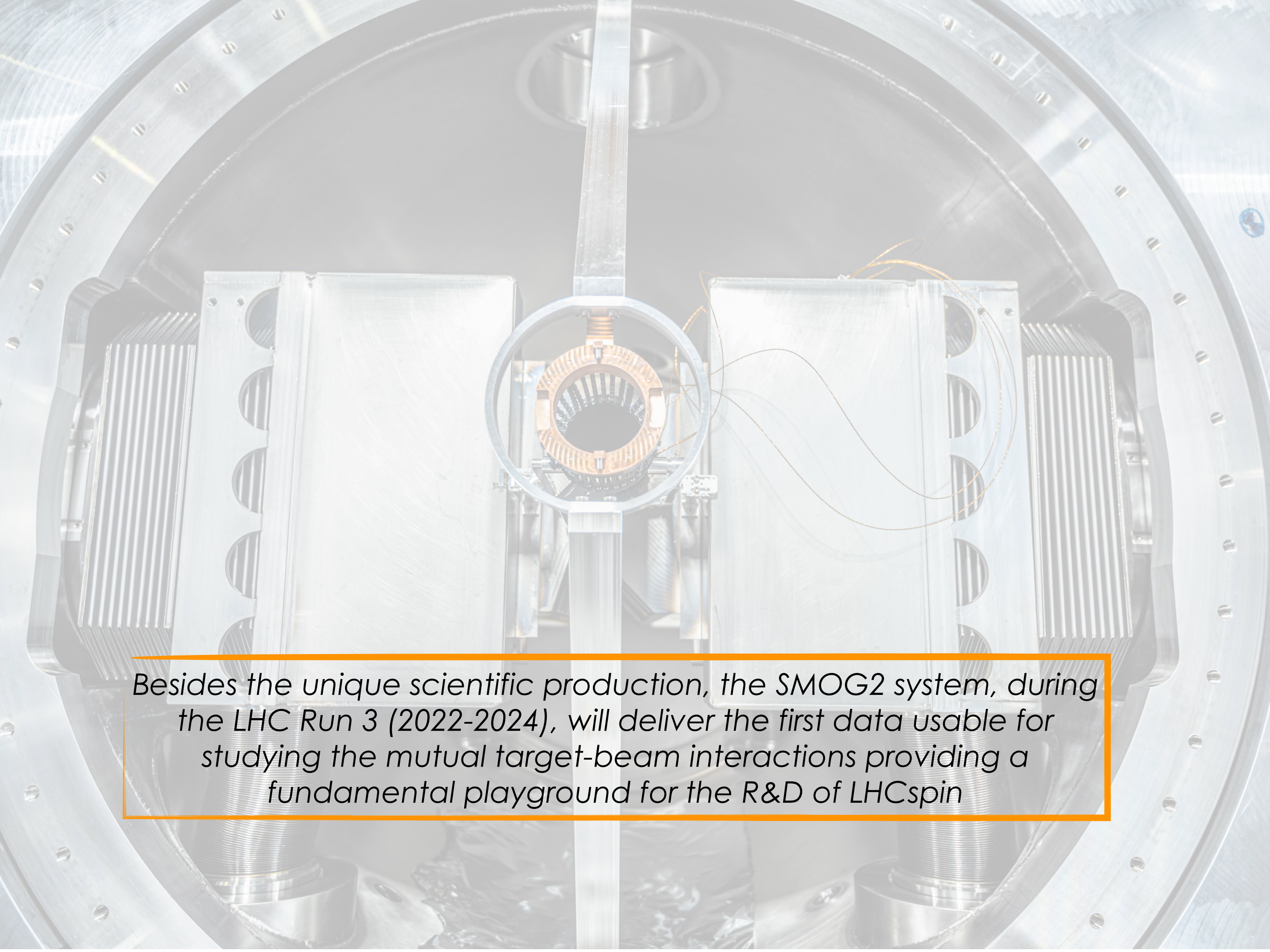
The storage cell ... the only object in the LHC primary vacuum



During the installation



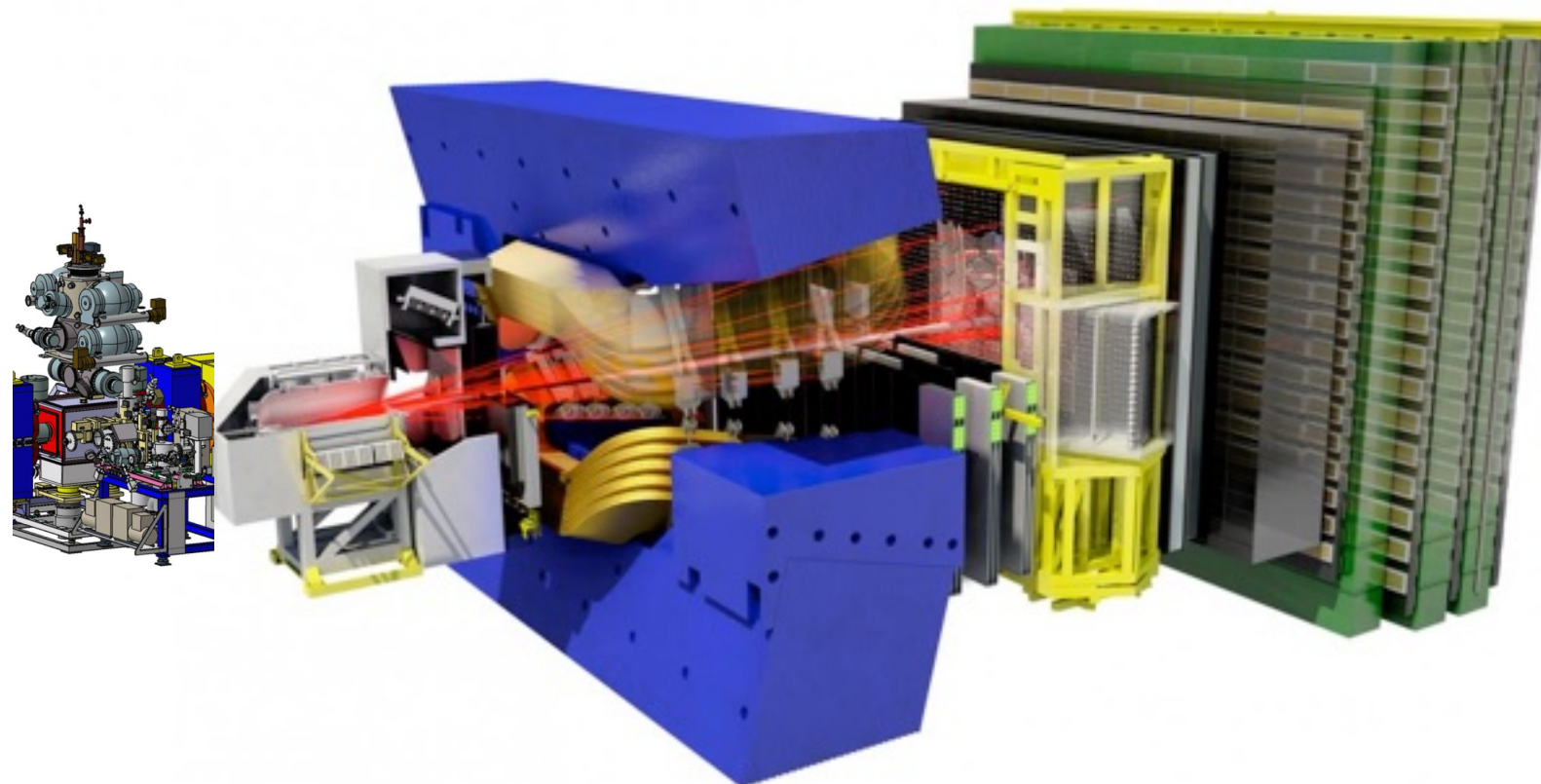
The Gas Feed System that will be completed and installed in 2021



Besides the unique scientific production, the SMOG2 system, during the LHC Run 3 (2022-2024), will deliver the first data usable for studying the mutual target-beam interactions providing a fundamental playground for the R&D of LHCspin



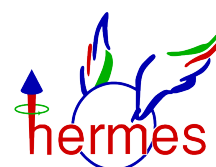
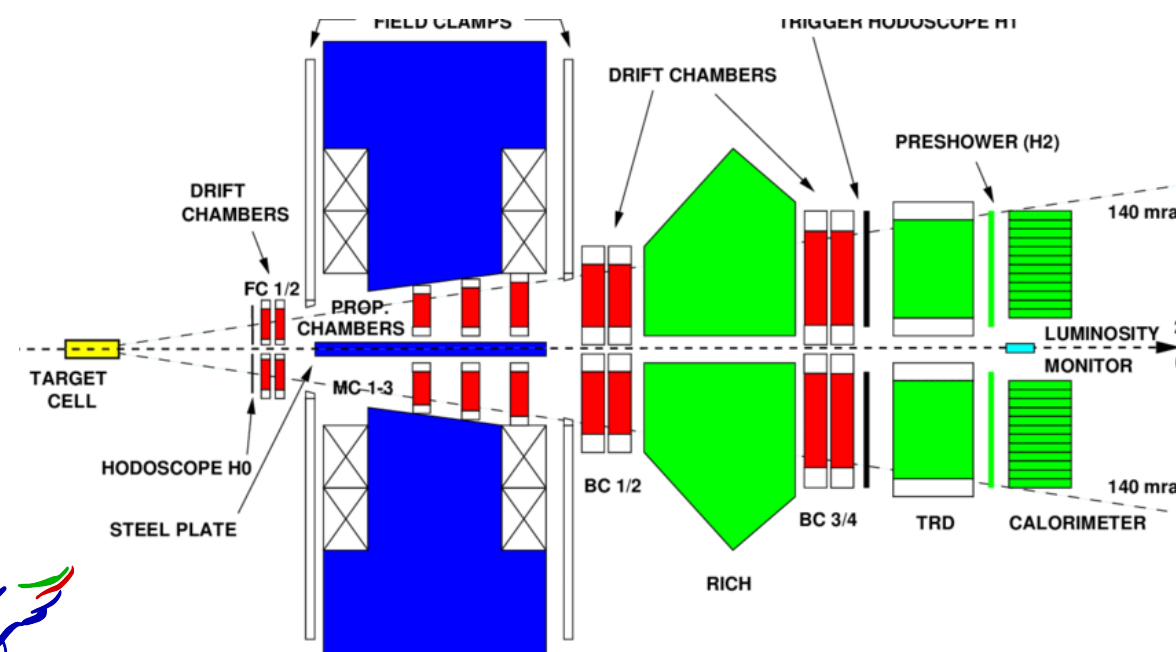
Polarised target



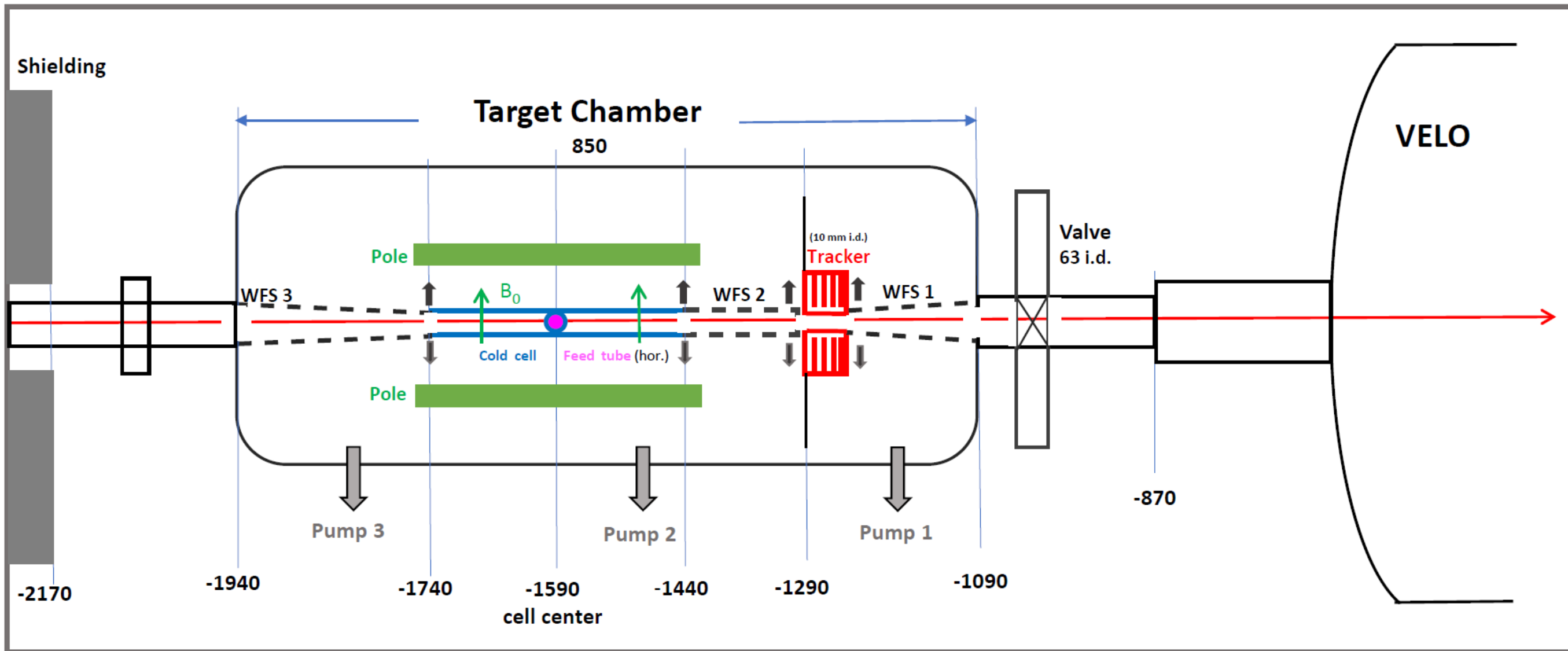
The technique proposed is well consolidated

Design follows the successful HERMES Polarised Gas Target which ran at HERA 1996 – 2005, and the follow-up PAX target operational at COSY (FZ Jülich)

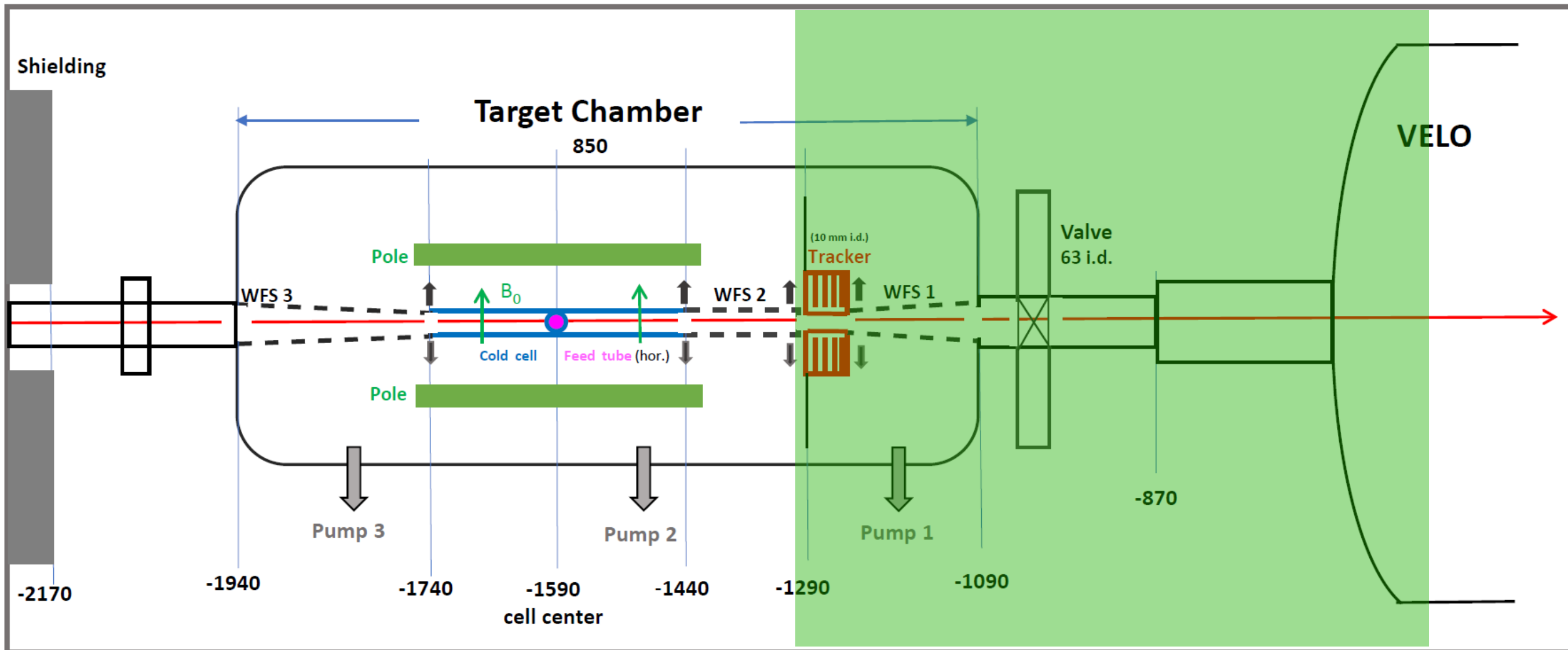
However the R&D is complex and needs several innovative developments



Polarised Gas Target (PGT) topology – a schematic view



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Another option is to cut all this part and put the PGT closer to the VELO tracker

PGT: R&D schematic status

- Storage cell drawing: ADVANCED

- Aperture studies: FINALIZED

At HL-LHC-25ns, LHCspin can reach $L = 8.3 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

- Electron clouds: FINALIZED

- Coating: IN PROGRESS

- Impedance and beam stability: ADVANCED

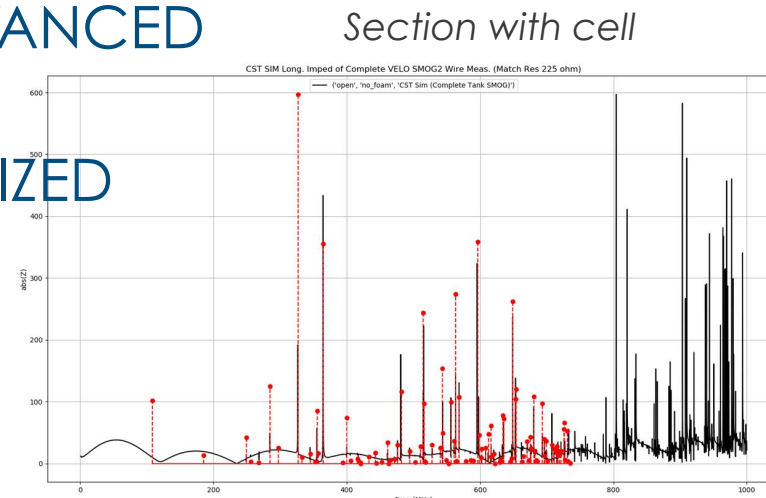
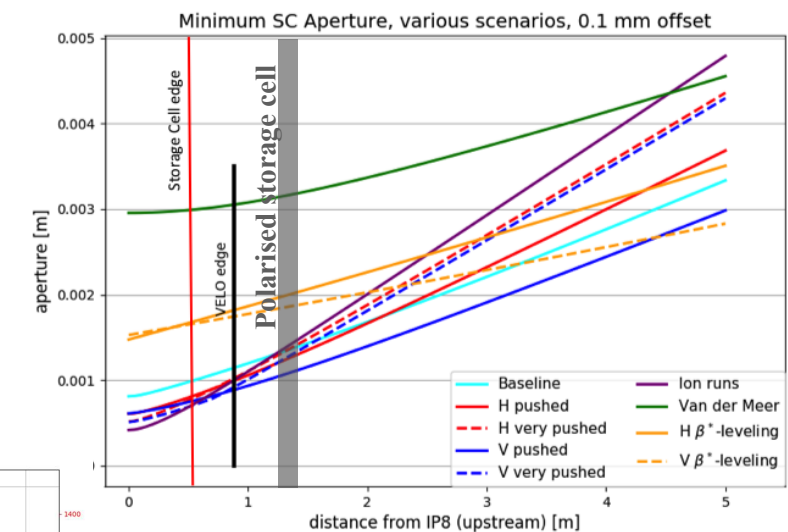
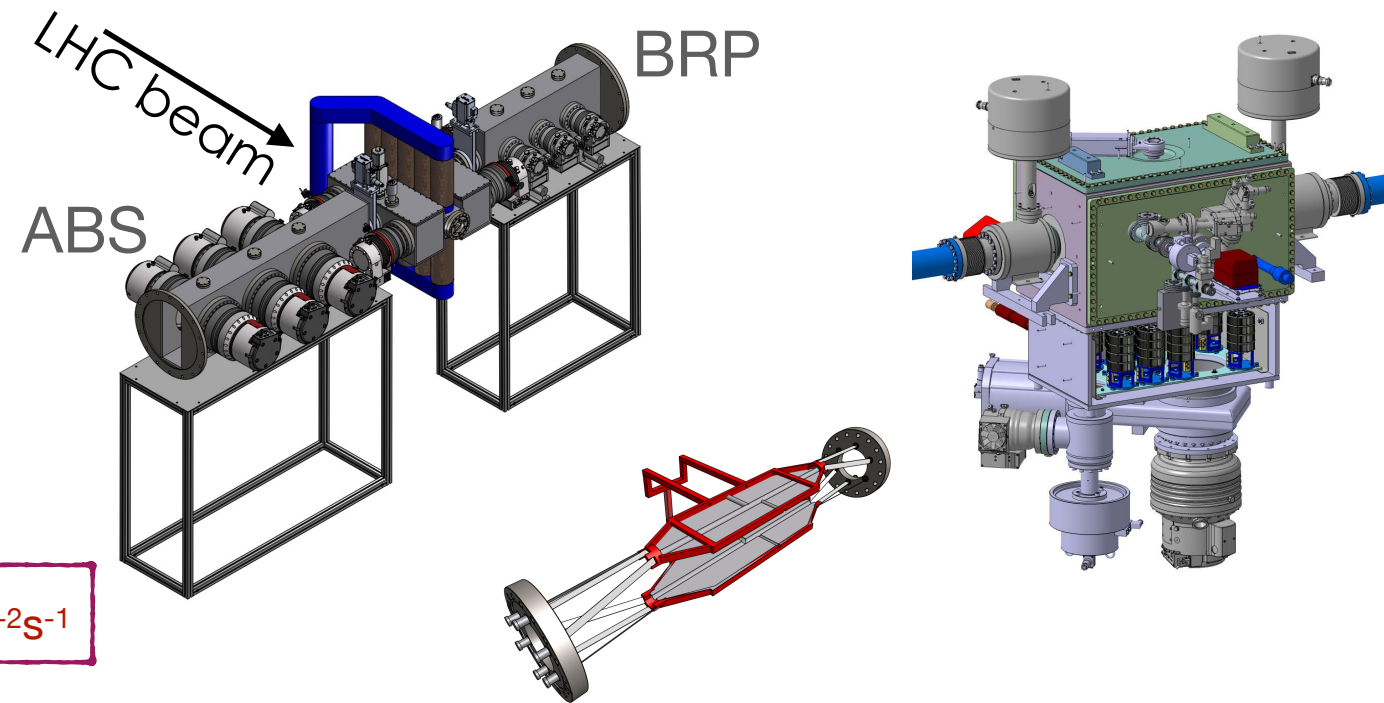
- Beam Induced Depolarization: FINALIZED

- Transverse Magnet: IN PROGRESS

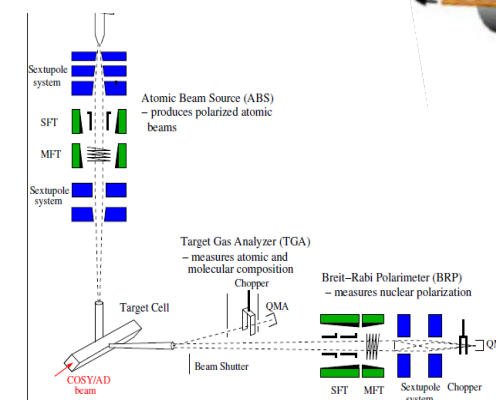
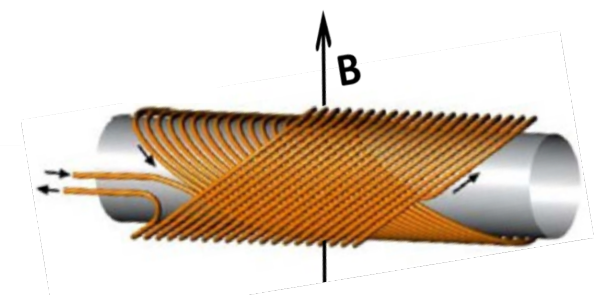
- Compact ABS+BRP: IN PROGRESS

- Additional tracker: TO BE STARTED

At the moment common efforts on the R&D from CERN, INFN-Frascati, Ferrara, Erlangen, Julich, PNPI



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Conclusions



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Fixed target collisions at the LHC represent a unique possibility for a *laboratory for QCD and astroparticle* in unexplored kinematic regions ... in a realistic time schedule