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# Phenomenology@LIP

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# What is particle physics phenomenology?

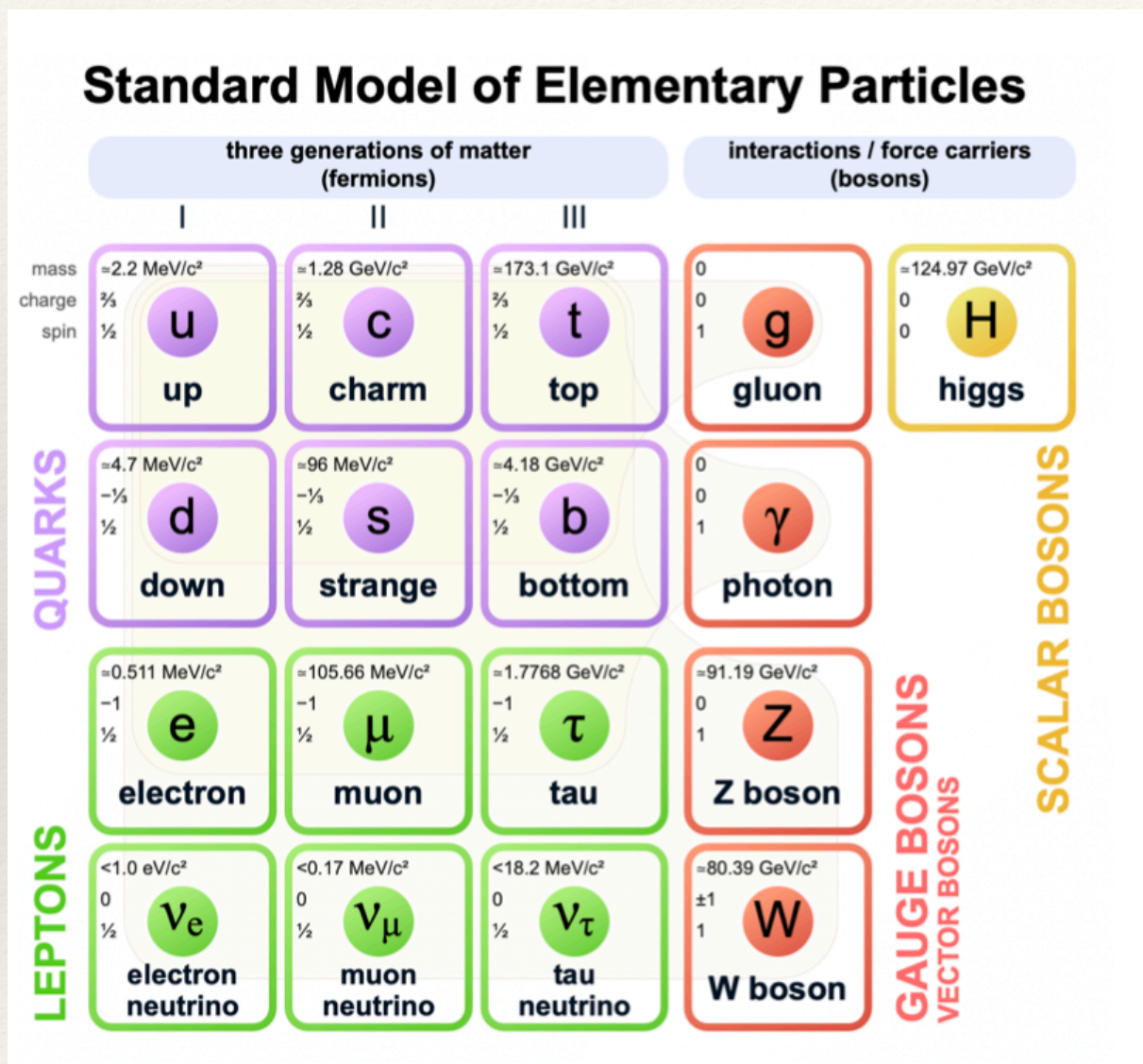
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- *What are the fundamental constituents which comprise the Universe?*
- *How do they interact?*
- *What holds them together?*



# The Standard Model of Particle Physics

- Our current best answer to these questions lies in the Standard Model of Particle Physics



- The building blocks of matter: **6 quarks** and **6 leptons** (fermions - spin  $1/2$ ) organized in three families
- The **mediators** of the fundamental **electromagnetic**, **weak** and **strong interactions** (bosons - spin 1)
- Local gauge invariance symmetry** of the fundamental interactions dictates how the matter particles interact with each other via **gauge bosons exchange**

- The **Higgs mechanism** completes the **Standard Model**: predicts the masses for the electroweak gauge bosons and the existence of an elementary **spin 0** scalar particle the **Higgs Boson**



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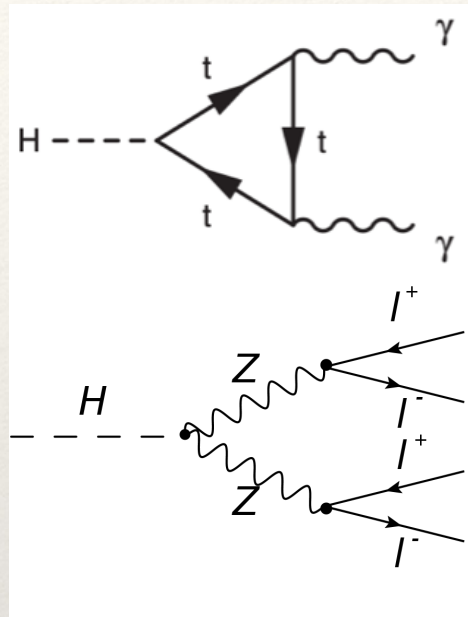
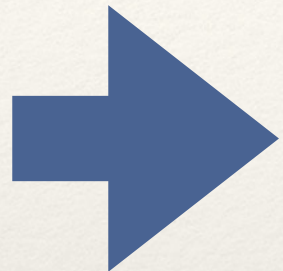
- Special relativity
- Relativistic Quantum Mechanics
- Quantum Field Theory



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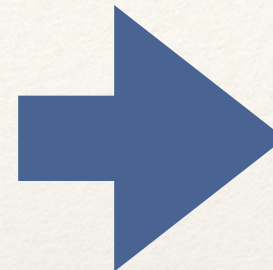
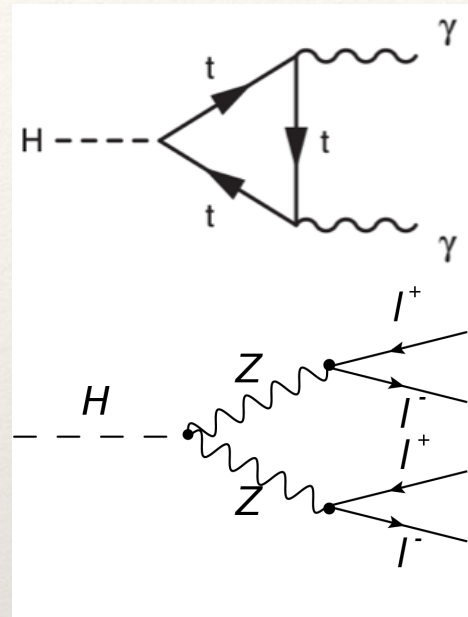
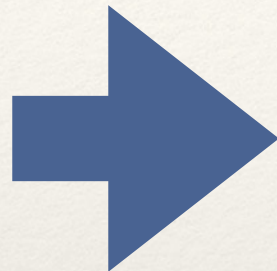




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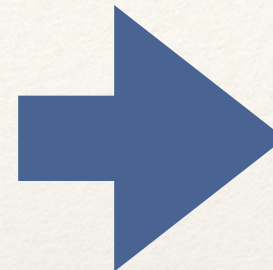
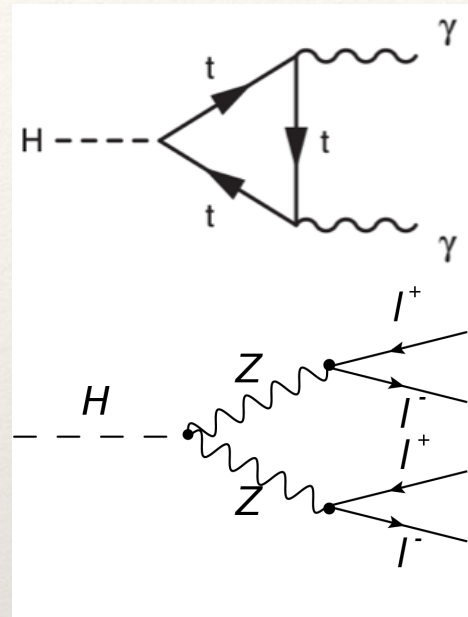
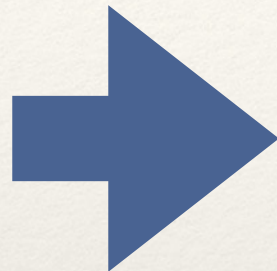
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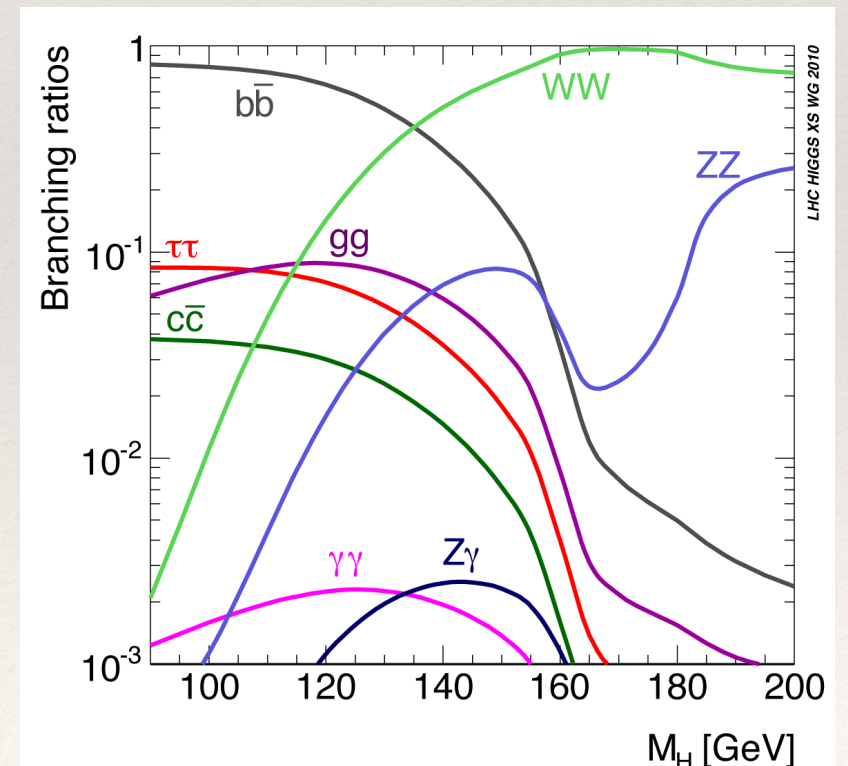
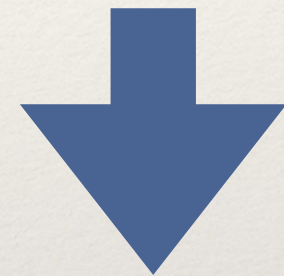
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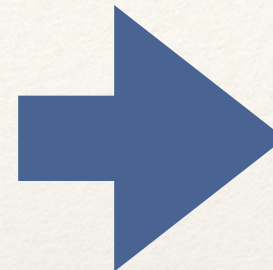
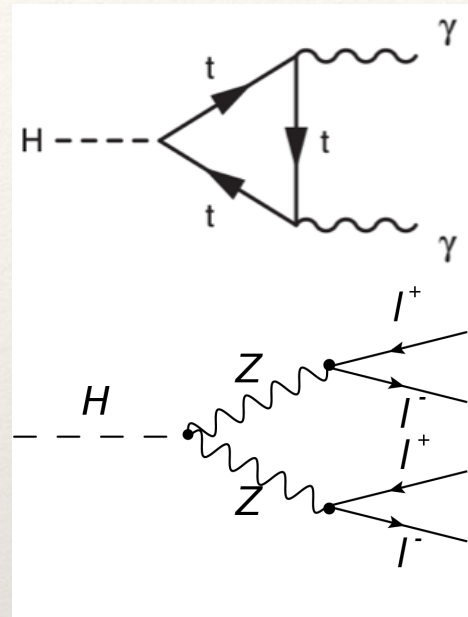
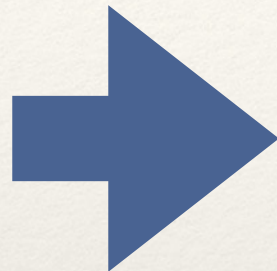
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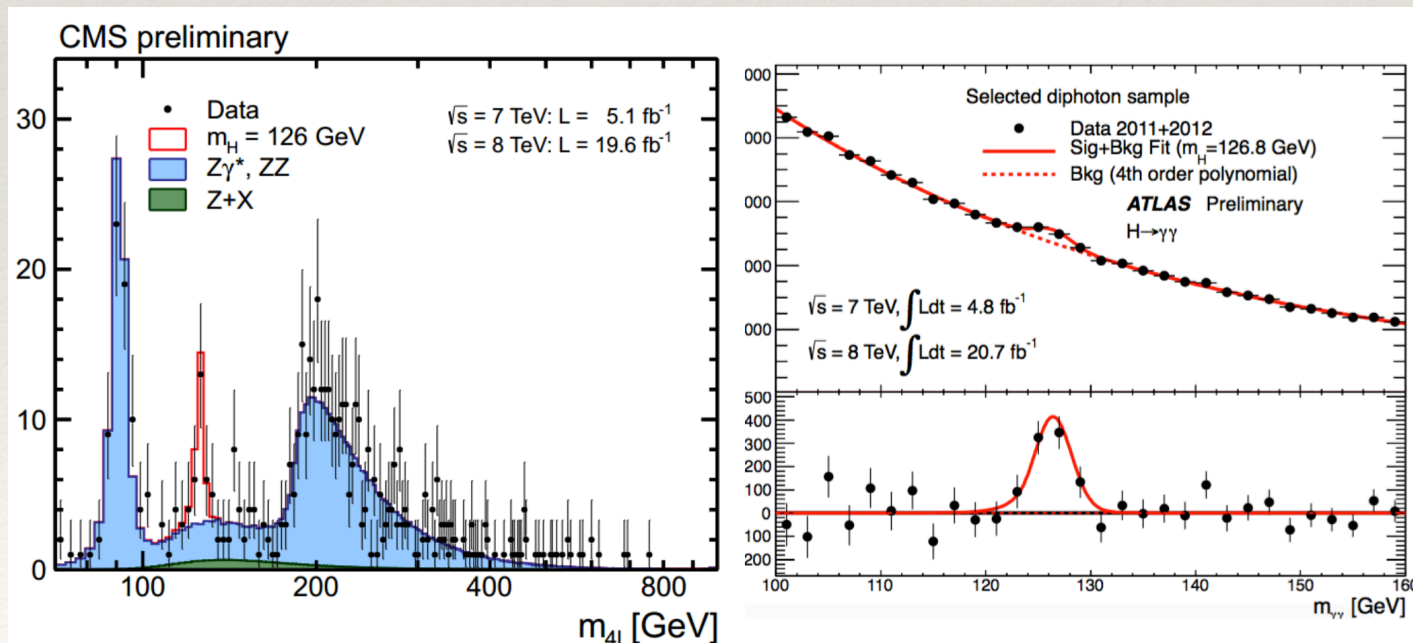
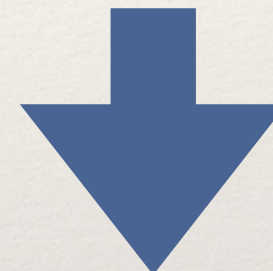
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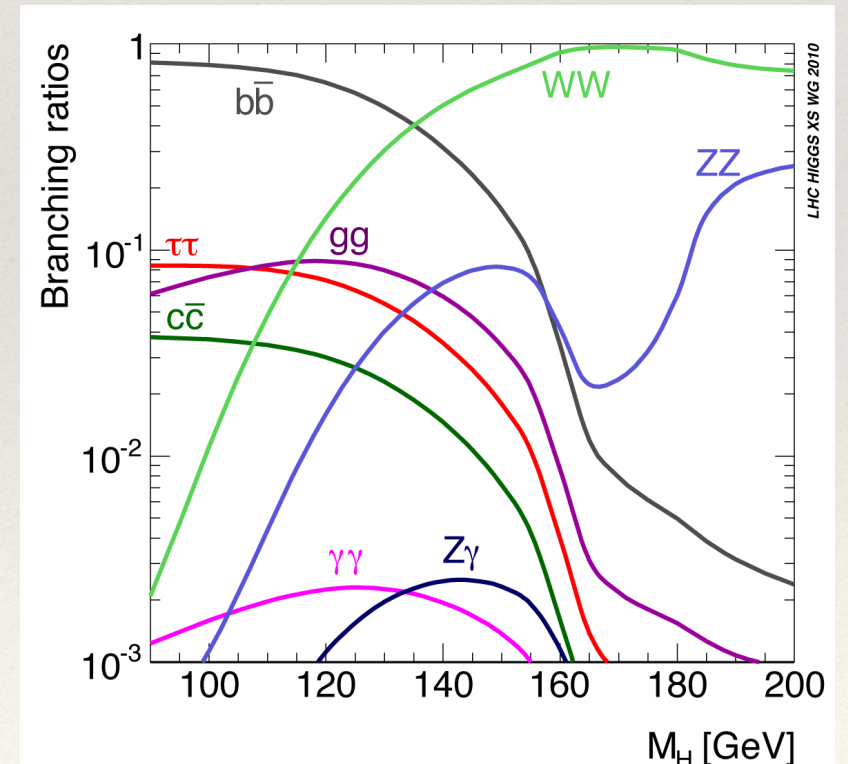
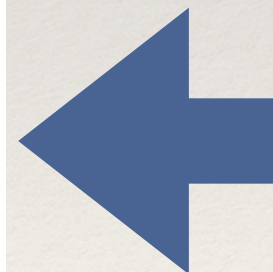
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**Higgs discovery plot in ZZ  
(CMS experiment at the LHC)**

**Higgs discovery plot in  $\gamma\gamma$   
(ATLAS experiment at the LHC)**



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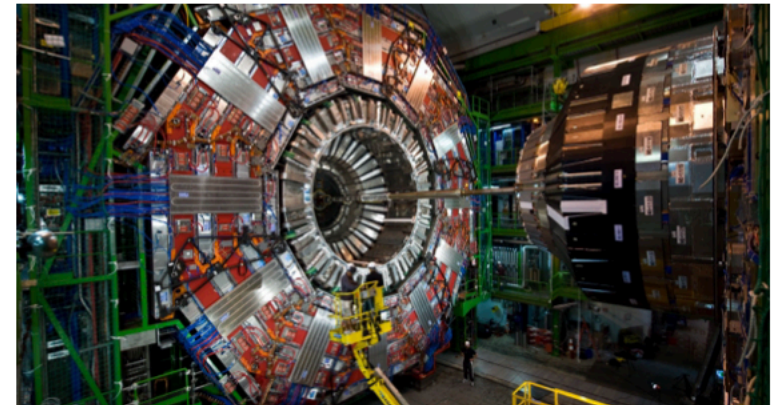
- SM/BSM :: observables for new Physics searches at colliders [Minho/Coimbra]
- QCD precision and automation [Lisboa]
- Quark Gluon Plasma [mostly its characterisation with jets] :: theory :: Monte Carlo simulation :: observables
- in all the above Machine Learning techniques are increasingly being used
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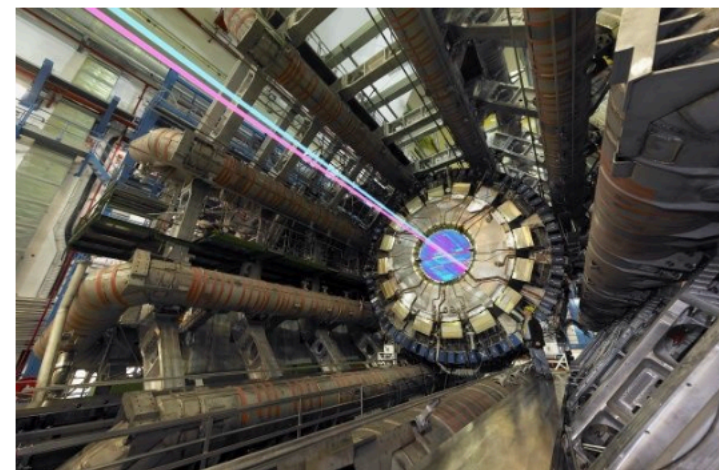
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*LHC tunnel length = 27 km*



*CMS detector*



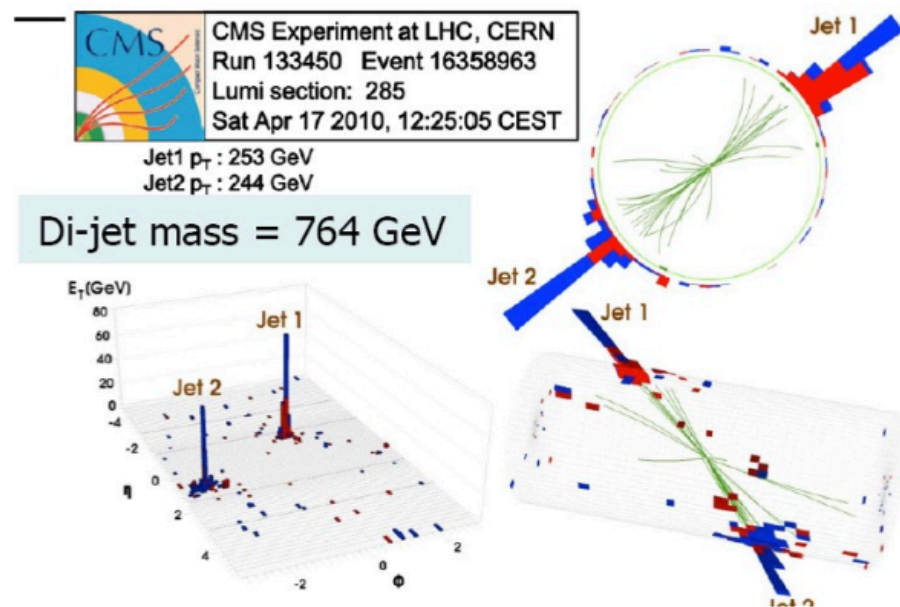
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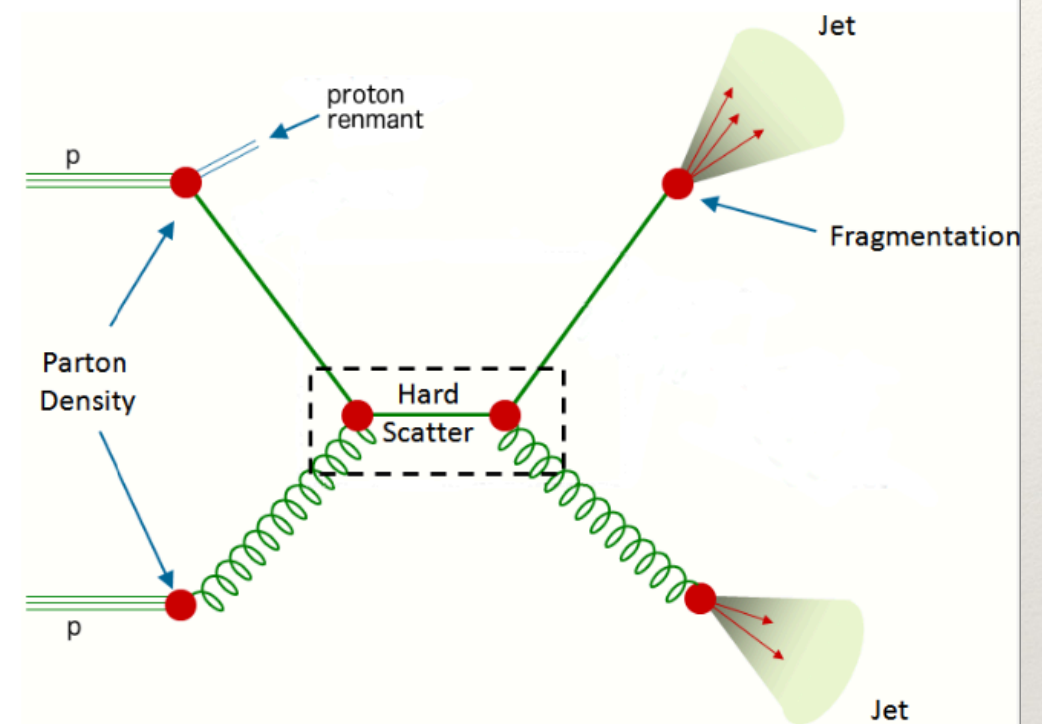


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## 2-jet event recorded by the CMS detector



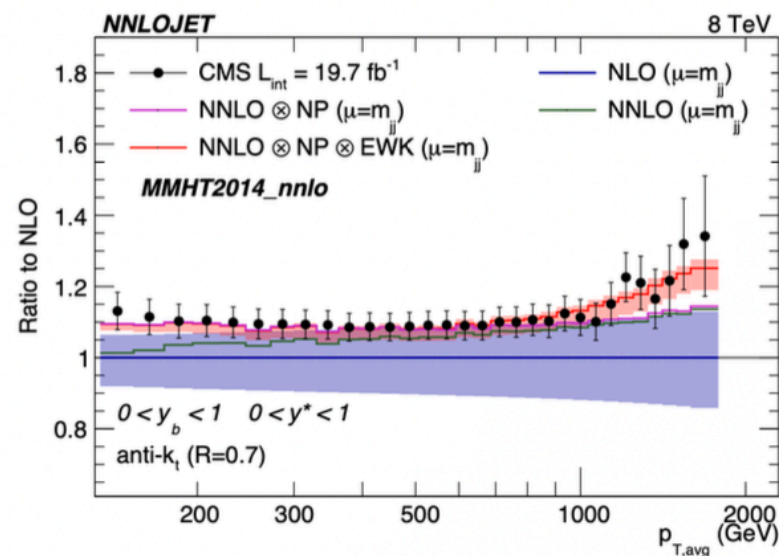
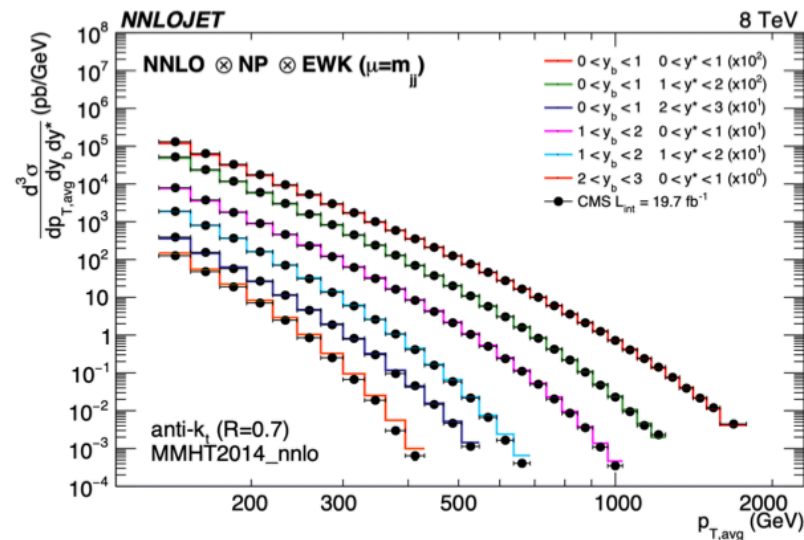
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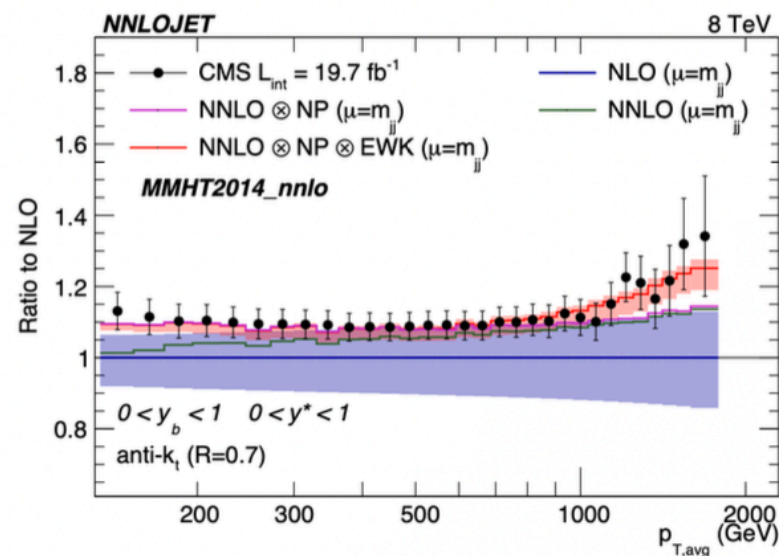
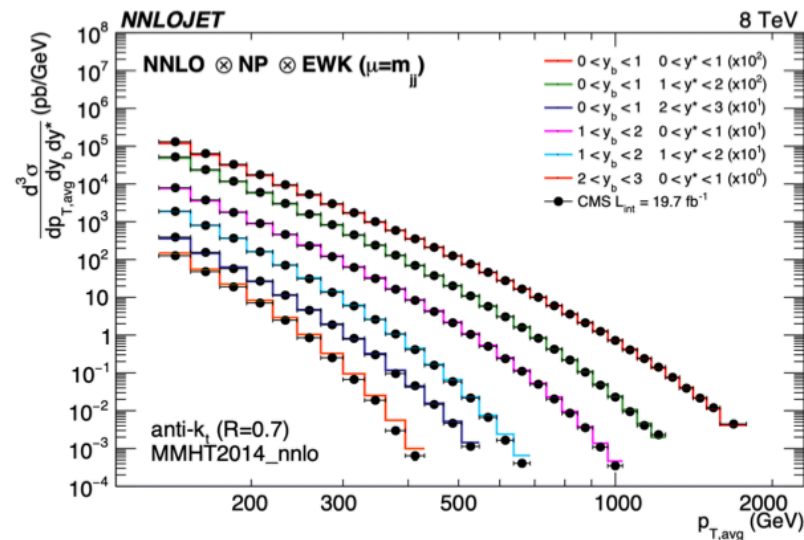
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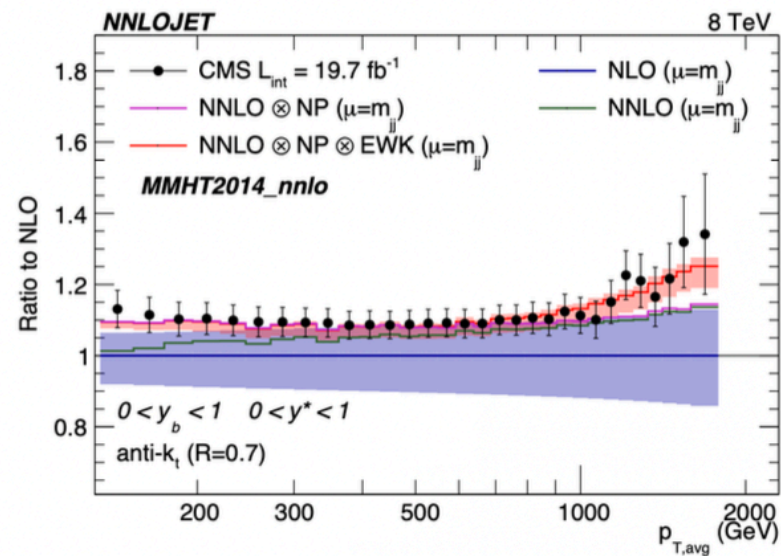
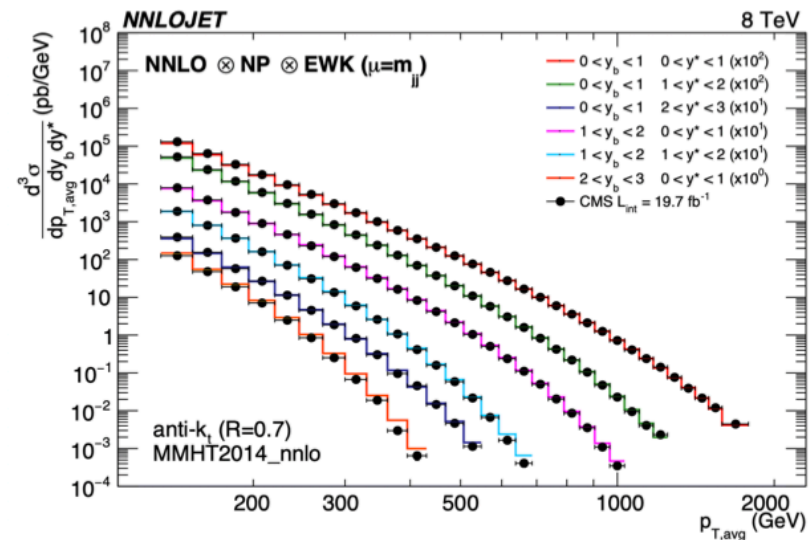
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- NNLOJET: ongoing development of a Parton-level generator to compute cross sections and related observables in the Standard Model for the LHC through NNLO accuracy in the QCD perturbative expansion

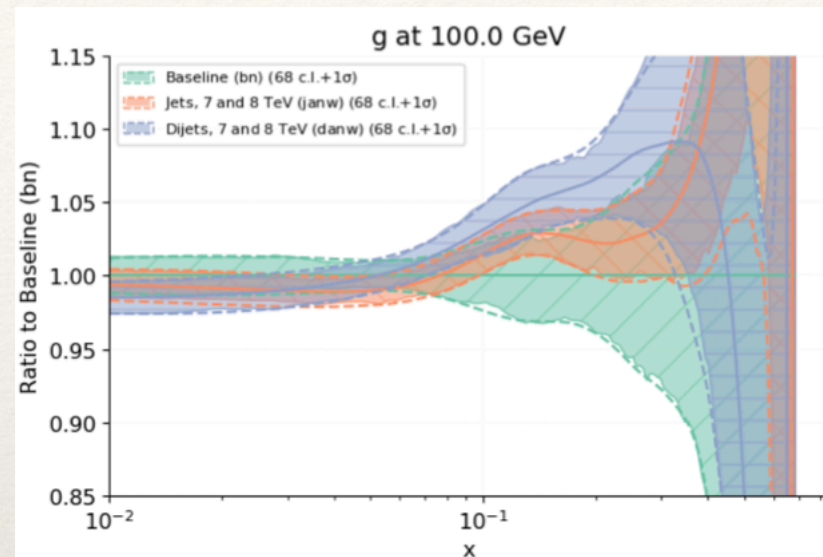


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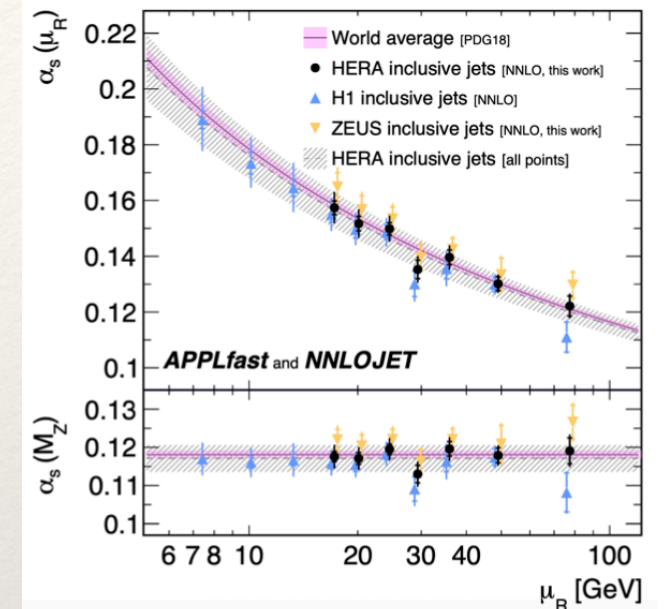
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## Phenomenological applications of jet data and QCD theory



Phenomenology of NNLO jet production at the LHC and its impact on parton distributions *Eur.Phys.J.C* **80** (2020) 8, 797

## Jet data shrinks gluon-PDF uncertainties



$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1178 (15)_{\text{exp}} (21)_{\text{th}}.$$

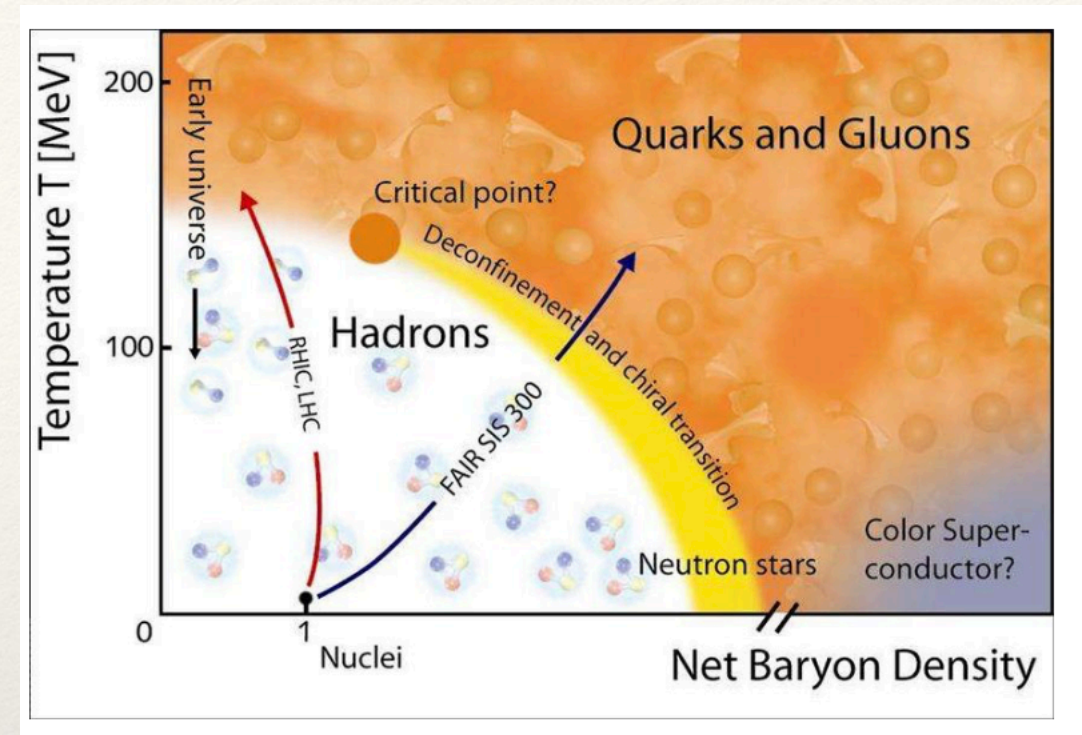
Calculations for deep inelastic scattering using fast interpolation grid techniques at NNLO in QCD and the extraction of  $\alpha_s$  from HERA data *Eur.Phys.J.C* **79** (2019) 10, 845

Jet data probes the strong coupling constant behaviour at high-energies



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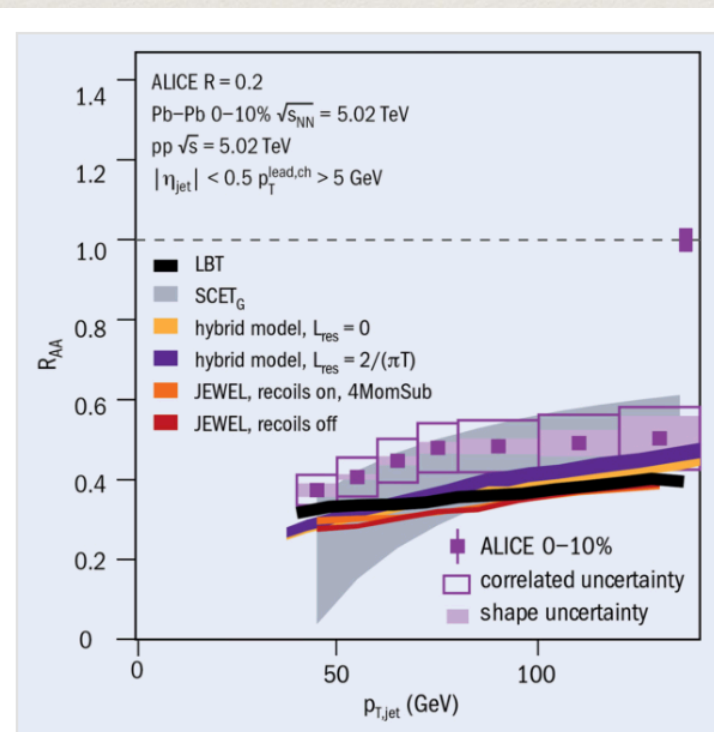
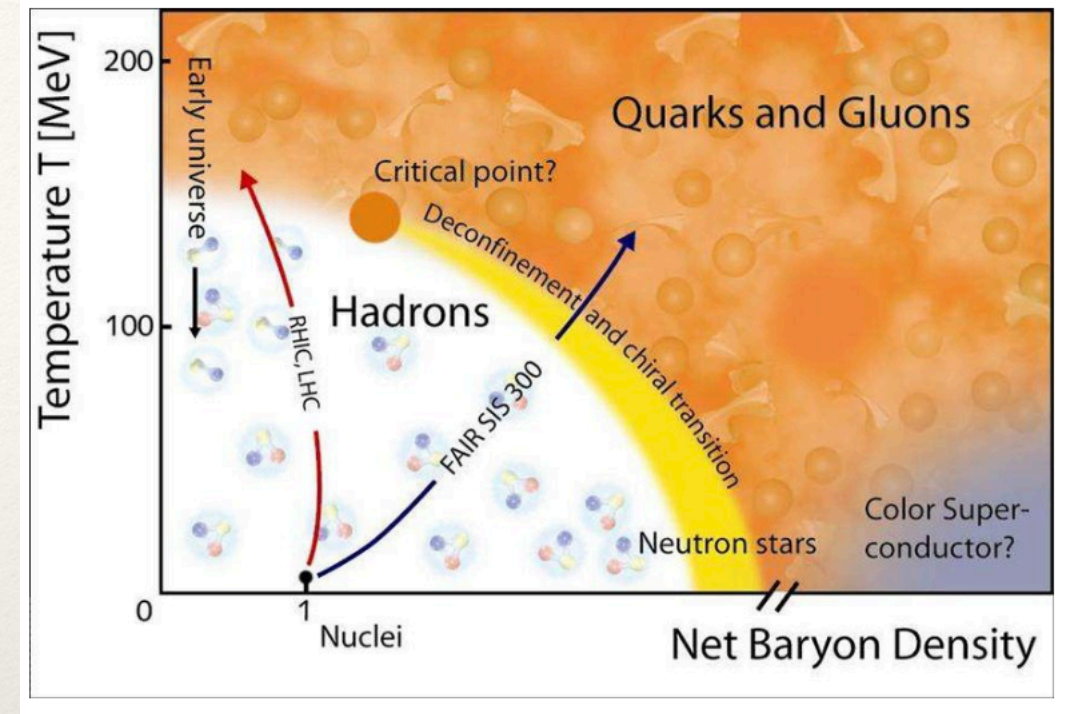




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**Fig. 1.** The ratio of jet yields in Pb-Pb collisions relative to pp collisions (appropriately scaled) compared to four theoretical predictions. Credit: CERN

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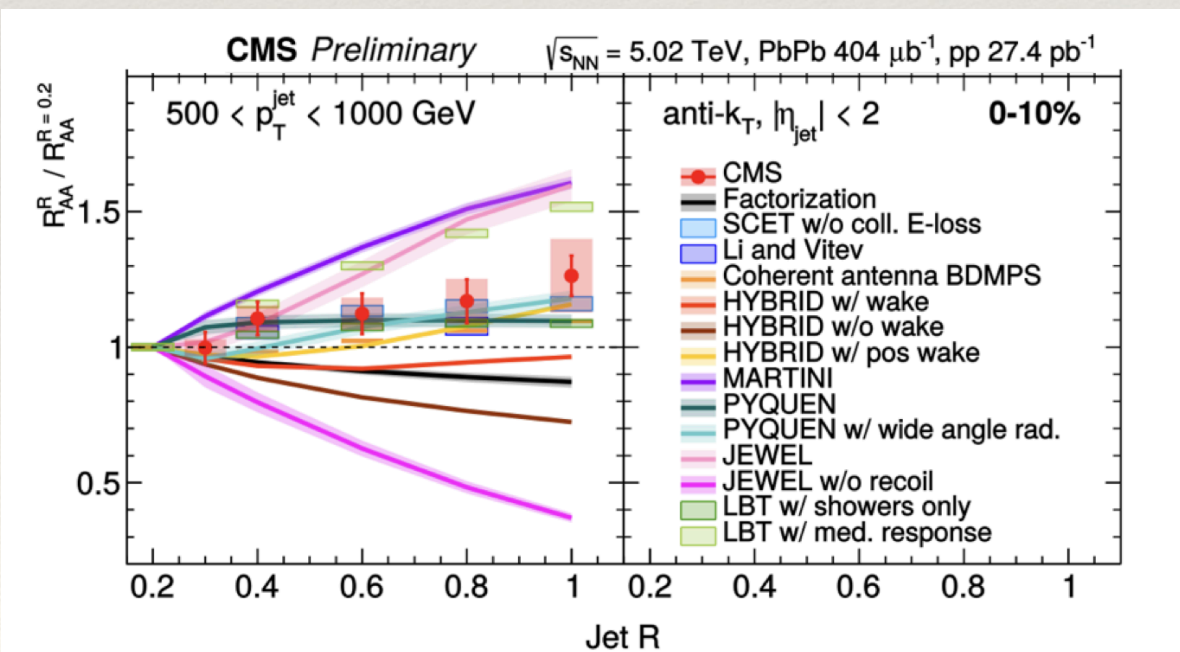
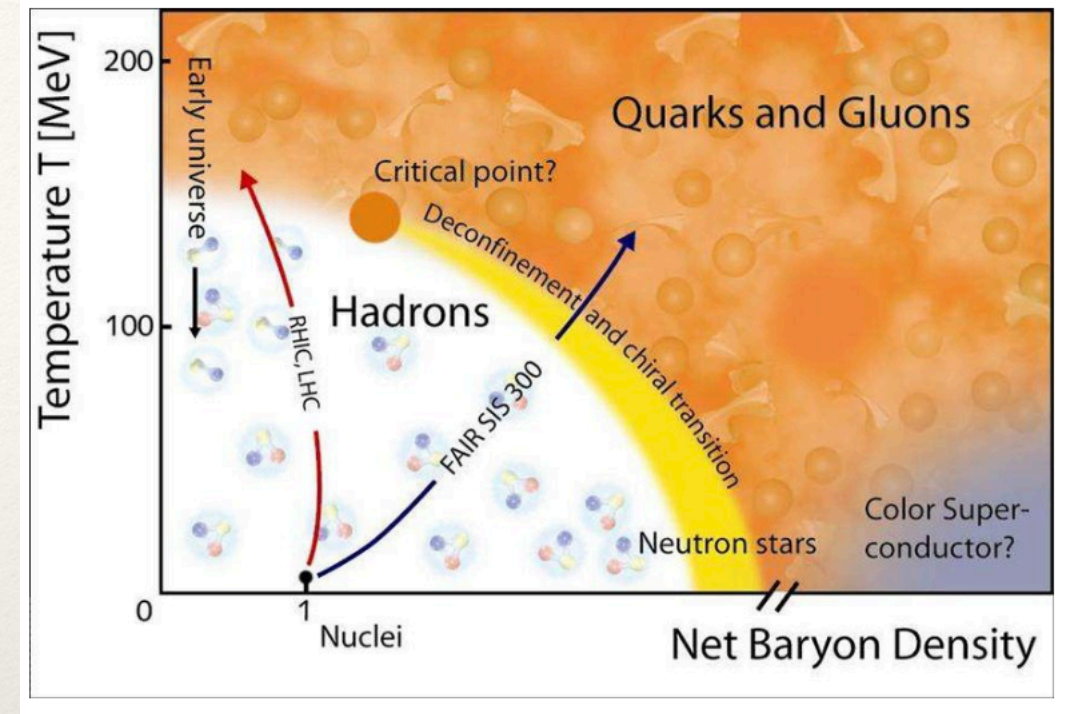
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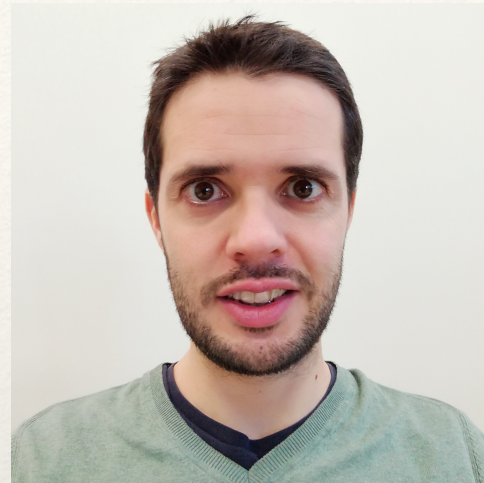


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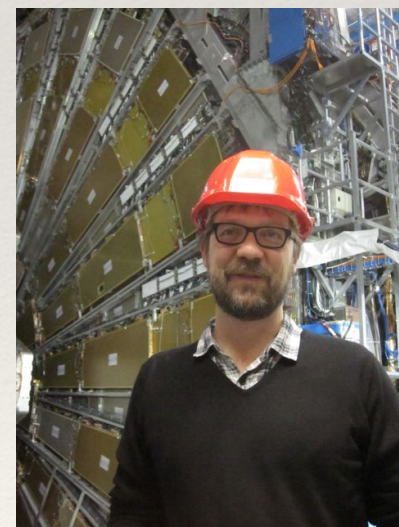
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Jet Physics, QGP





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- 2018 - Mariana Araujo: “Quarkonium production studies at LHC energies: towards the understanding of bound-state formation by the strong force”
- 2021 - André Cordeiro: “Jetography in heavy ion collisions”
- 2021 - João Gonçalves: “Disentangling and Quantifying Jet-Quenching With Generative Deep Learning”
- 2021 - João Silva: “Towards a Yoctosecond imaging tool of the quark gluon plasma”
- 2018 - Guilherme Guedes: “Collider and astrophysical constraints to little Higgs models”



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- 2021 - João Lopes: "Looking for (de)coherence effects in the Quark-Gluon Plasma"
- 2021 - Nuno Madureira: "Jet substructure tools to identify hadronization timescales"
- 2021 - João Humberto Gomes: "Deep Learning in QCD Jets"
- 2021 - Francisco Barreiro: "Geometrical aspects of Jet Quenching in small systems"
- 2021 - Tomás Cabrito: "The soft-hard antenna spectrum in presence of a QGP"
- 2022 - Lénea Luís: "Deciphering Jet Quenching effects through a Quantile Ratio"
- 2021 - Manuel Mariano: "Sensitivity of jet substructure observables to jet quenching in collisions of light nuclei"

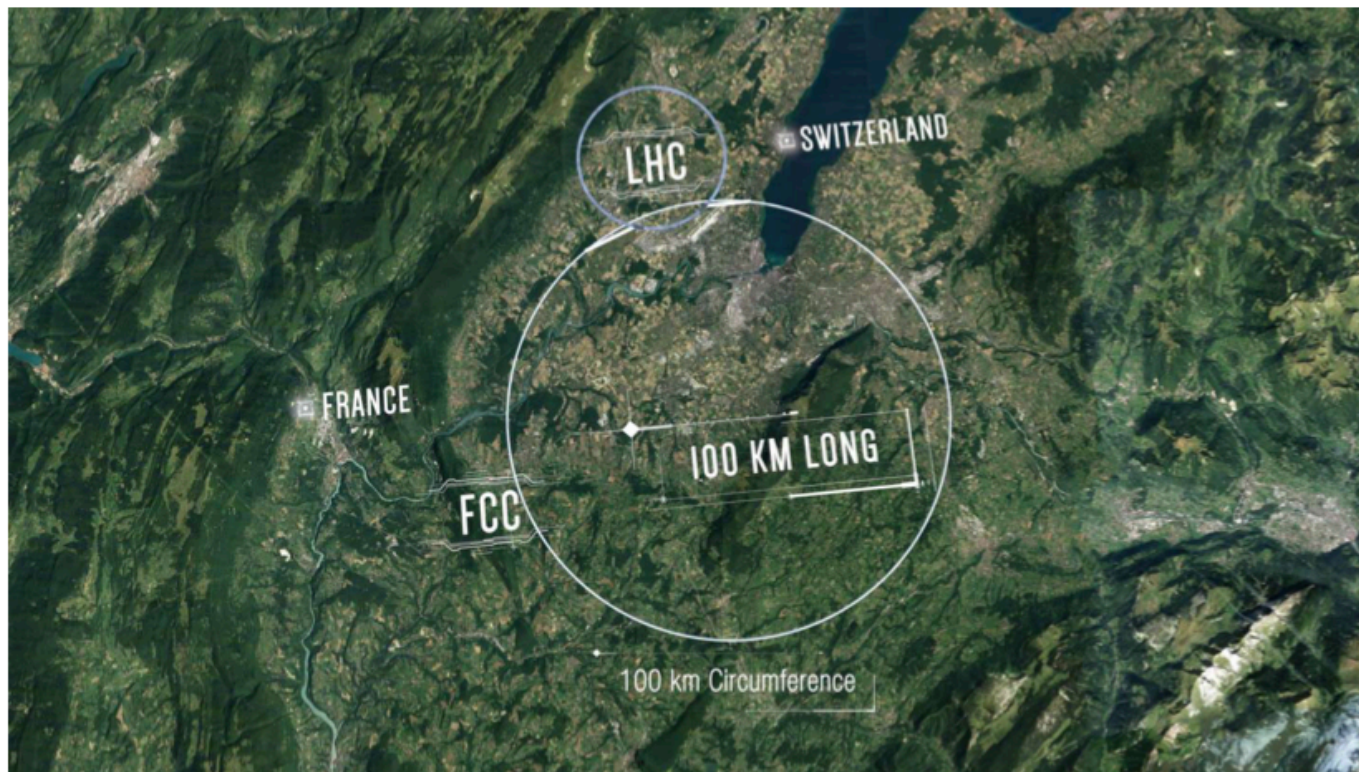


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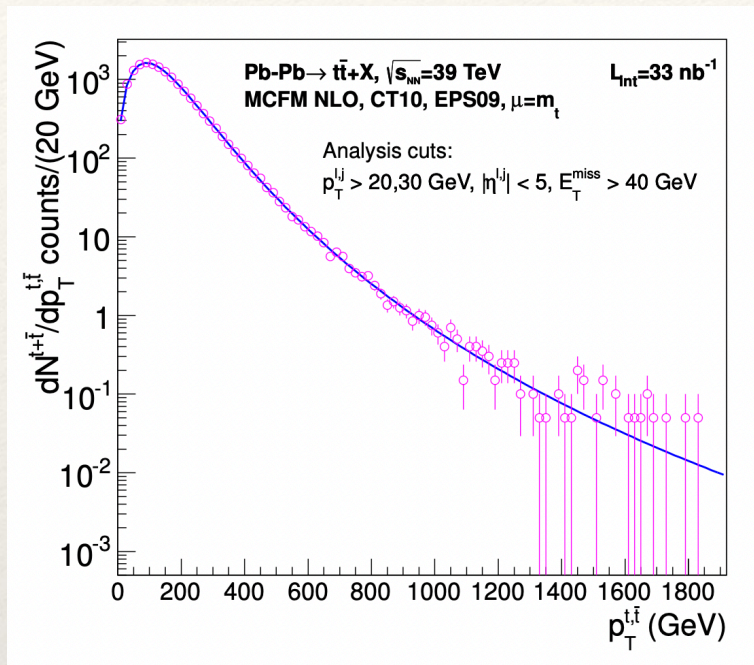
# The Future Circular Collider project FCC

- Proposal by CERN for a future collider after the LHC
- A 100km long circumference ring to accelerate particles to higher energies than ever achieved before

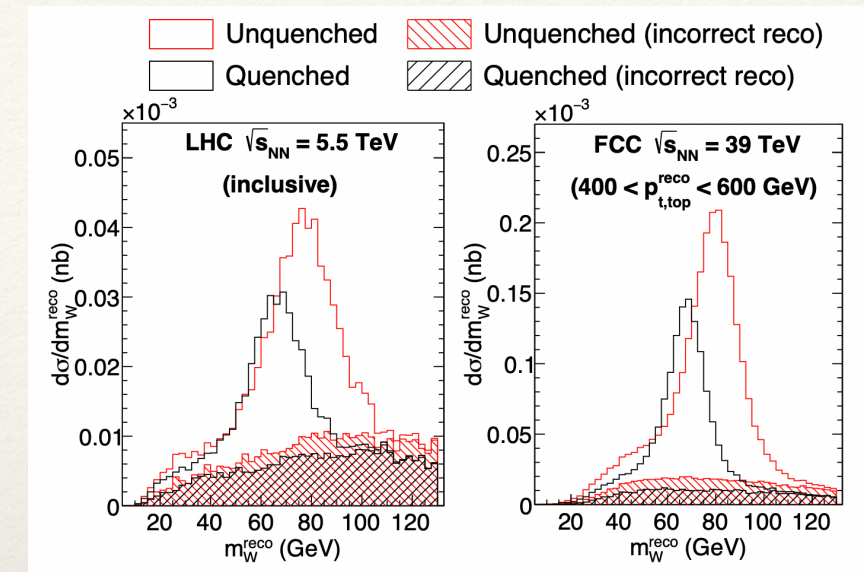




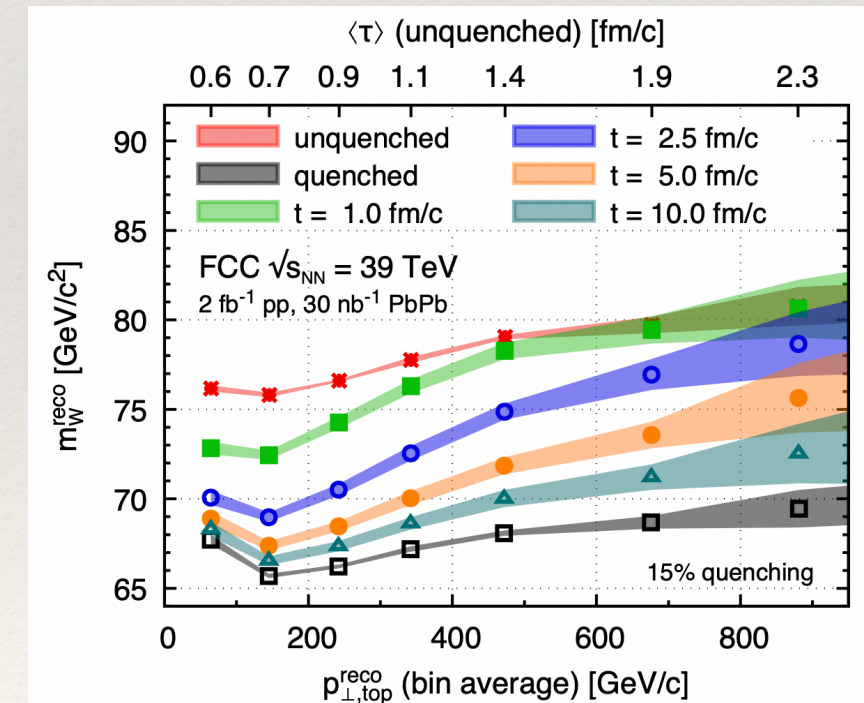
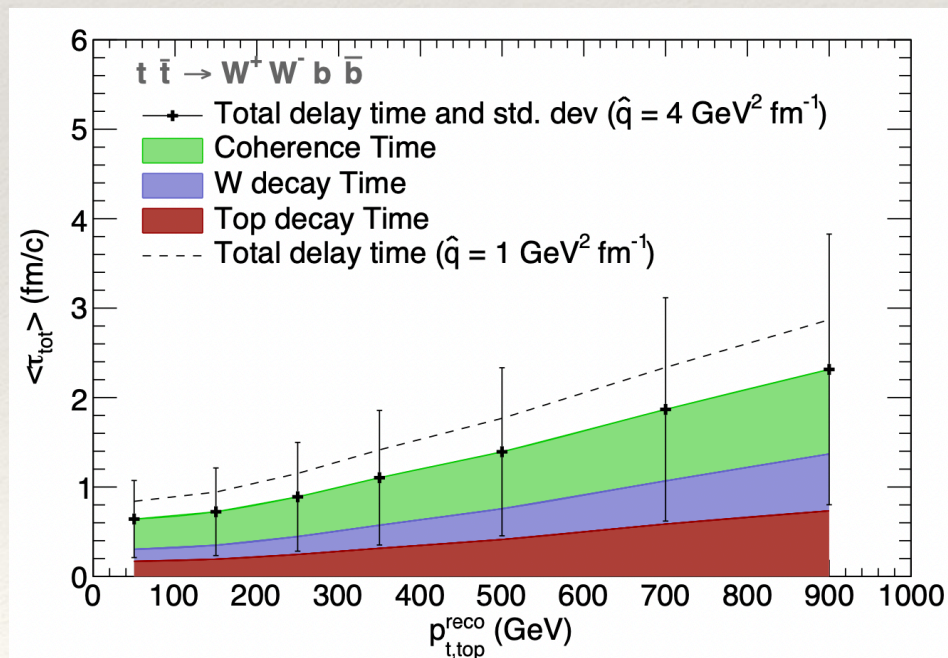
# Physics of the quark-gluon plasma at the Future Circular Collider



- Large rate for top quark-pair production at the FCC
- $p_{t,top}$  proxy for total delay time for hadronic W decay products start interacting with the medium



- Reconstructed  $M_W$  distribution sensitive to quenching effects
- Boosted top quarks give access to the time profile evolution of the quark-gluon plasma



Probing the time structure of the quark-gluon plasma with top quarks

Liliana Apolinário,<sup>1,2</sup> José Guilherme Milhano,<sup>1,2,3</sup> Gavin P. Salam,<sup>3,\*</sup> and Carlos A. Salgado<sup>4</sup>