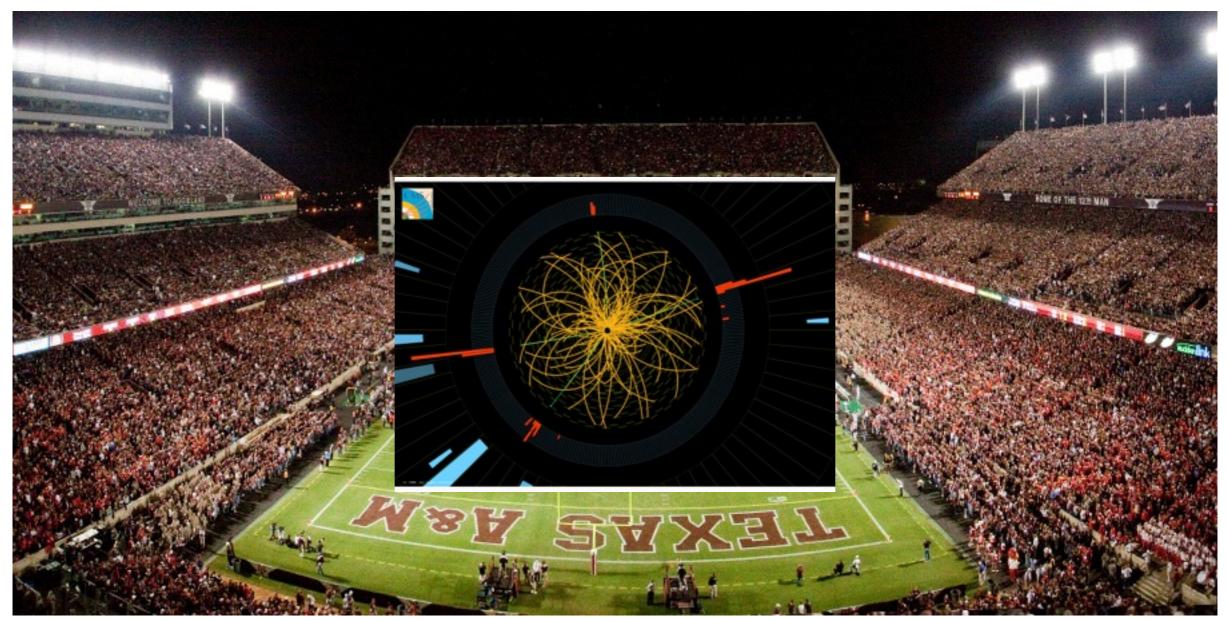
# CMS Virtual Visit: Texas A&M University

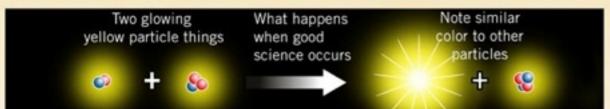


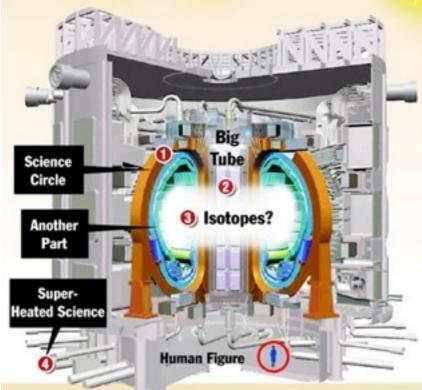
#### **Post-doctoral fellow:** Dr. Rishi Patel

# MACHINE

#### Onion Science Thursday Giant Machine Creates Science

The Onion explains the inner workings of the complex, expensive science thing.





#### A Science Machine The expensive device will test and execute more science than ever before

1 Scientists make sure machine's On/Off button switched to On

2 Parts of the machine begin to move, at first slowly, and then rapidly

- 3 A lot of science begins to generate
- 4 Many things light up and sounds of thunder happen
- 5 Science ends

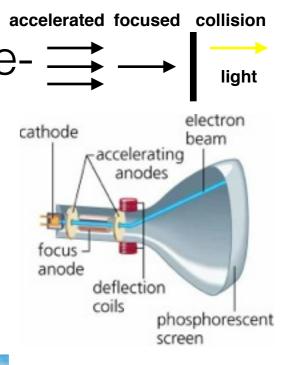
#### Not so Mystical:

Everyone has a mini household particle accelerator : TV



#### A bigger version:

The Alps collide protons p p Large Hadron Collider

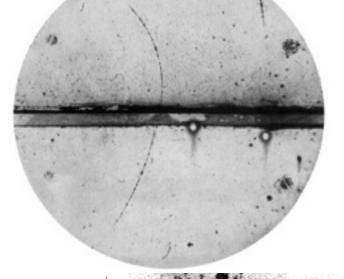


The **CMS** detector functions as sets of TV screens where particles flood every set

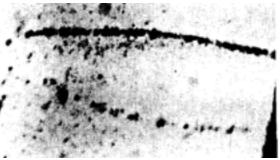
## What's been on Particle TV?

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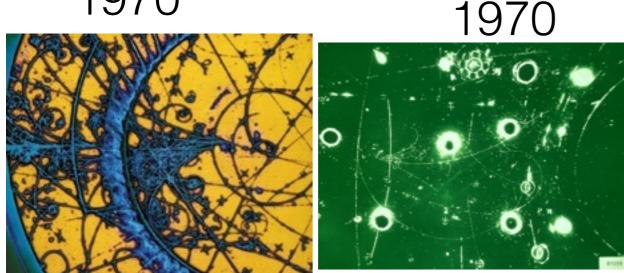
1932 Discovery of anti-matter



1932 Discovery of Muon

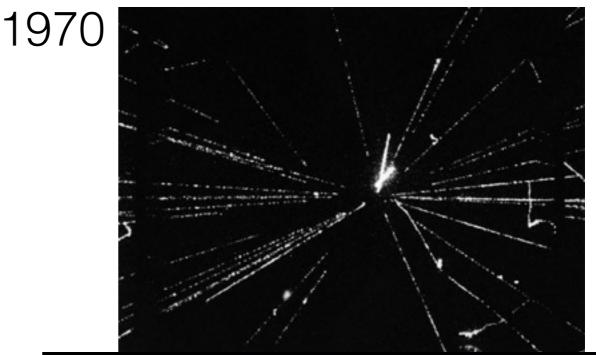


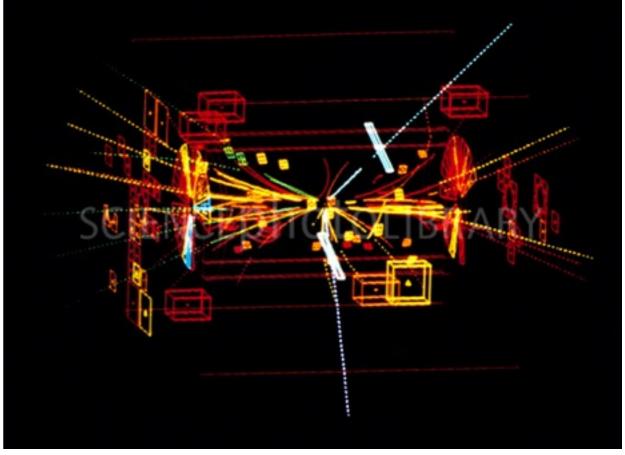
1970



Evidence of neutrinos in "weak interactions"

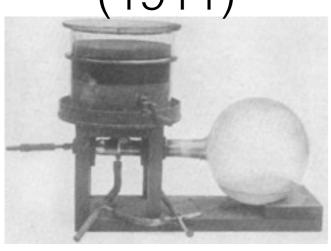
#### proton colliding with an anti-proton



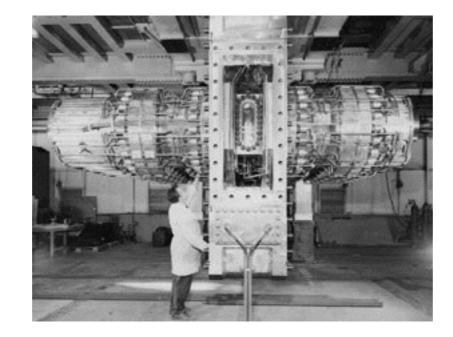


#### 1983: Discovery of Z-boson

#### cloud chamber (1911)



#### bubble chamber(1969)



Super Proton Synchrotron 1976



#### UA2 Experiment: 1982

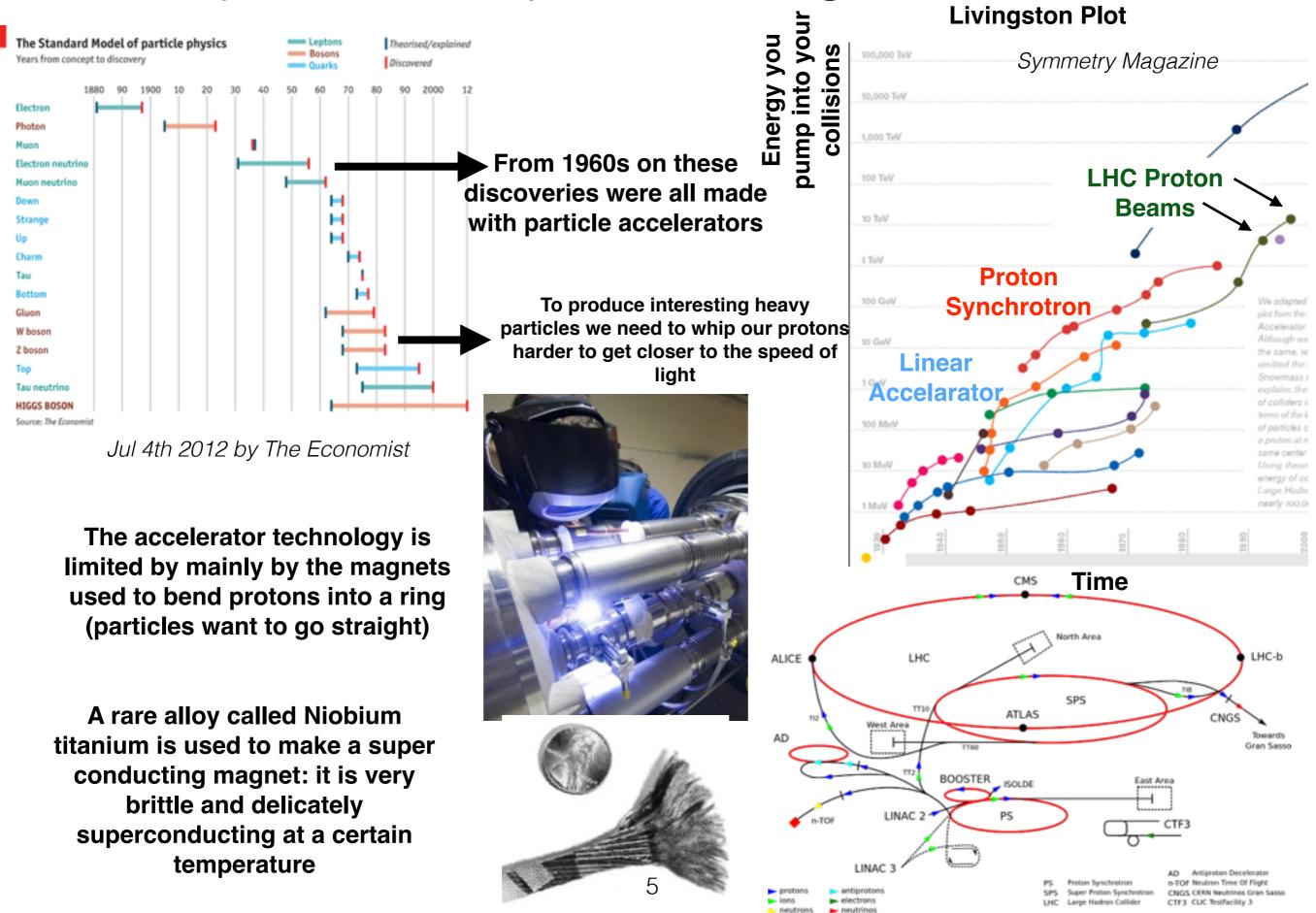
stream spark chamber (1962)



Alternating Gradient Synchrotron (1960)



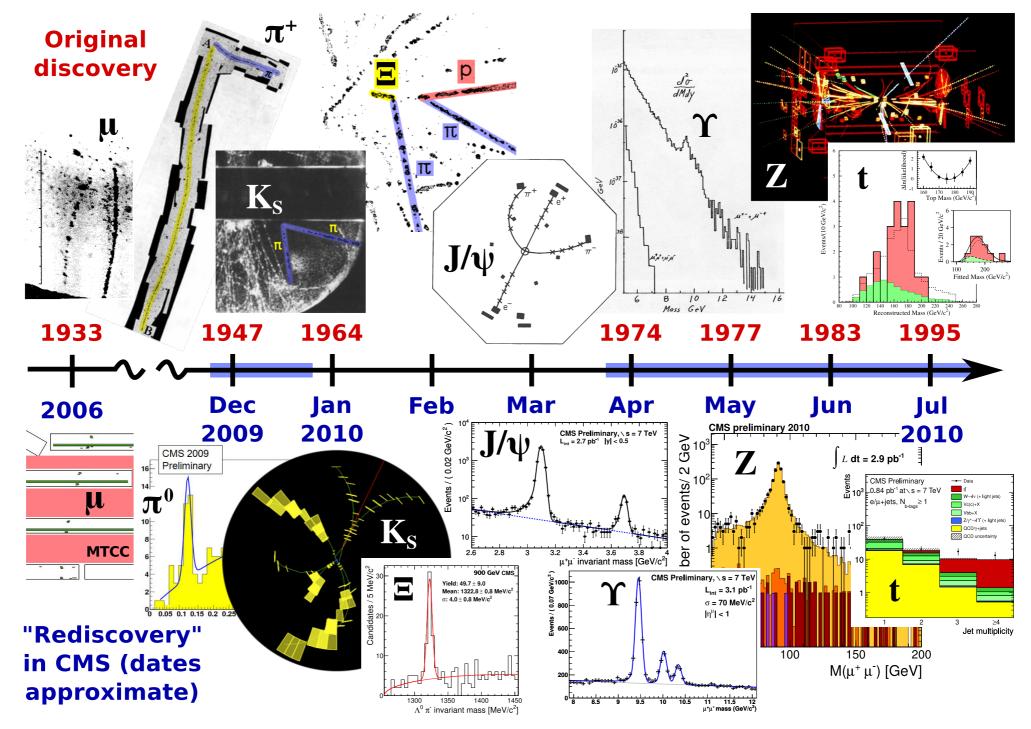
### Why do our Experiments get BIGGER?



#### Rediscovering the Standard Model

Jim Pivarski 16/44





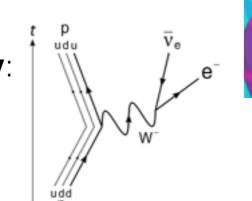
### Mini-Big Bang Matter locks away energy:

#### **Fundamental Physics Goal:**

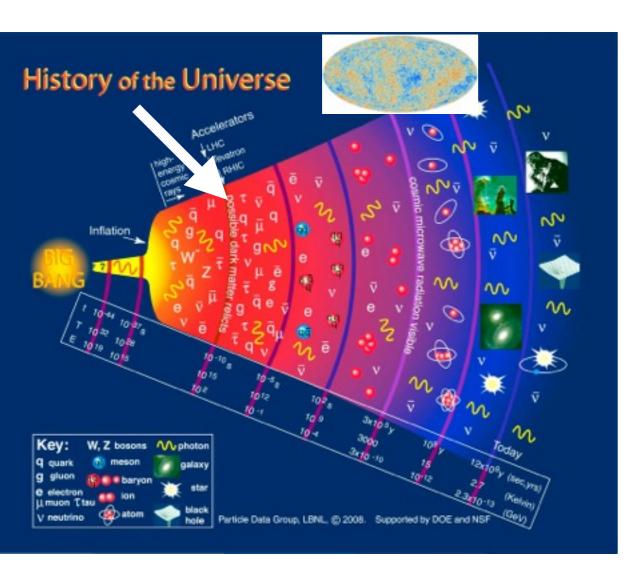
What are the most basic exchanges of energy?

**Radioactive decay** 

Particle Picture: Like a football play: The football is energy







Some mass disappears?

#### THE BIG BANG

From all the above particle plays we want to figure out the rules of the game

#### What we know:

Standard Model: All of the particles and energy exchanges we have seen so far

#### What we don't know:

Are there missing particles and missing interactions?

What gives the universe its structure?

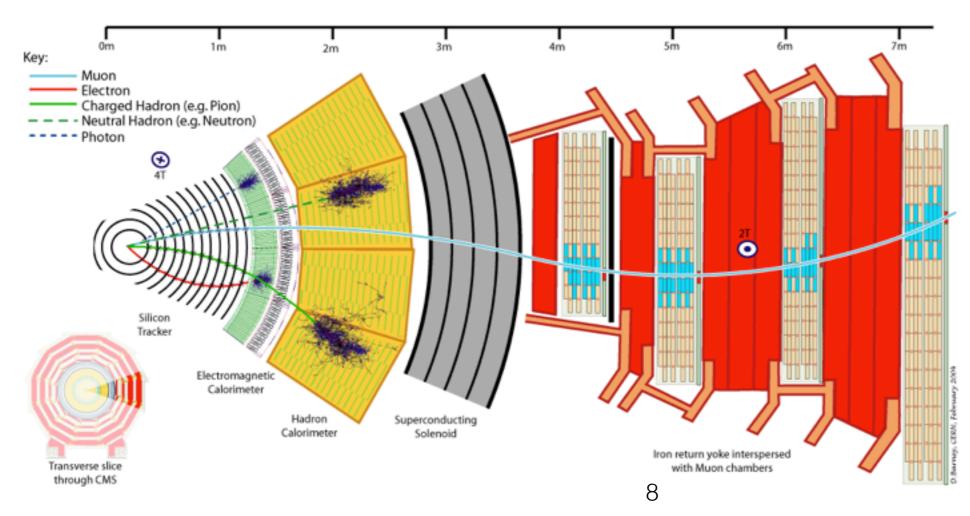
#### **CMS: High Speed digital Camera**

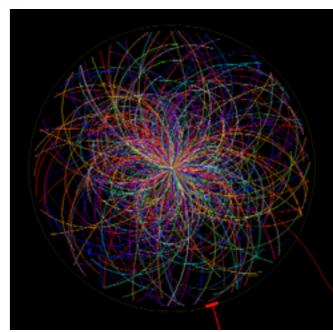




Mini big bang is a messy picture and the LHC produces **600 million collisions** each second (in one second have **TERAbytes of data**)

Very Fast Measurements within Electronics: **Trigger system** throws away all the bad or uninteresting pictures.



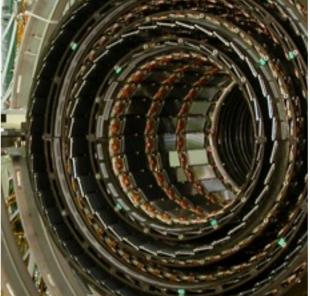


The first 8TeV collision that set a world record

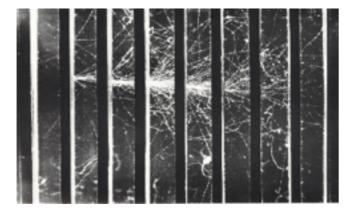
Physicists then carefully look at the remainder of millions of good pictures, and very carefully separate them

### CMS: Swim with the particles through the detector

Particles swim through an ocean of Silicon sensors (62 Million!) Charged particles leave footprints



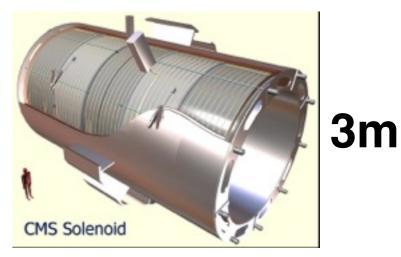
Particles of light and electricity get stuck and shred into a bouquet of light and electricity



Heavy particles get shredded into light ones







only one particle sees the outer part of the detector: muon





### 1m

#### **2m**

**3m** 

Oft)

Higgs Field and Aggie Football Think of mass as resistance to acceleration: inertia F=ma **Massive particles Massless** particles in a Higgs Field get to the end zone quick Now there is resistance defensive line: This resistance is mass, the runner has to dodge and it slows the runner down slowing his average speed 10

#### CERN WILL NOT END THE WORLD Some Facts:

- The creation of a black hole results from crushing a lot of mass into a small space (Crush the Earth into 3mm) Not easy!
- Particle Collisions happen in the universe all the time:
  - High energy particles produced in the sun slam into the moon at collision energies much larger than anything we could create on Earth and a black hole has not swallowed the moon!

### My Advice: Don't buy black hole insurance CERN BRINGS THE WORLD TOGETHER

#### Robert Wilson (1st Directory of Fermilab):

"It only has to do with the respect with which we regard one another, the dignity of men, our love of culture. . . . It has to do with are we good painters, good sculptors, great poets? I mean all the things we really venerate in our country and are patriotic about. . . . It has nothing to do directly with defending our country except to make it worth defending."

