

# Outline

## ■ Relativistic Kinematics

- ▶ (4-momentum)<sup>2</sup> invariance, invariant mass
- ▶ Hypothesis testing, production thresholds
- ▶ Cross-sections, flux and luminosity, accelerators
- ▶ Particle lifetime, decay length, width

## ■ Classification of particles

- ▶ Fermions and bosons
- ▶ Leptons, hadrons, quarks
- ▶ Mesons, baryons

## ■ Quark Model

- ▶ Meson and baryon multiplets
- ▶ Isospin, strangeness, c, b, t quarks

## ■ Particle Interactions

- ▶ Colour charge, QCD, gluons, fragmentation, running couplings
- ▶ Strong and weak decays, conservation rules
- ▶ Virtual particles and range of forces
- ▶ Parity, charge conjugation, CP
- ▶ Weak decays of quarks
- ▶ Charmonium and upsilon systems

## ■ Electroweak Interactions

- ▶ Charged and neutral currents
- ▶ W, Z, LEP experiments
- ▶ Higgs and the future

## ■ LHC Experiments

## ■ Future - introduction to accelerator physics

Today

- [Lecture 20 \(4 slides/page\)](#) Weak neutral currents (Z) and experiments
  - Perkins, p317-318;
  - Griffiths, pp. 72-74;

Previous  
lecture

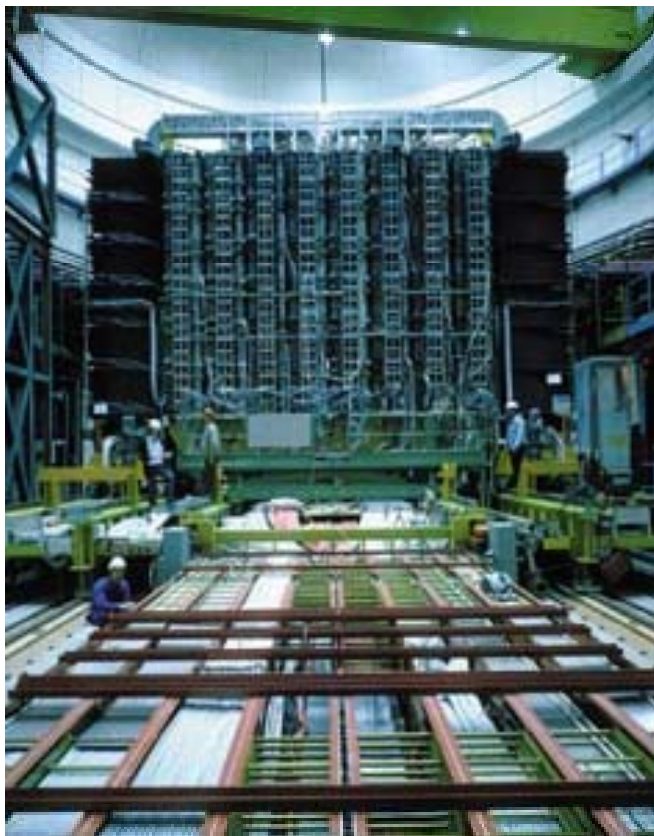
- [Lecture 19 \(4 slides/page\)](#) Electroweak interaction
  - Perkins, pp. 208; 316-317
  - Griffiths, pp. 74-79;

# Weak Interaction

- Universal: acts on **all** quarks and **all** leptons
- Characterised by **long lifetimes** and **small cross-sections**
- At low energies, WI overwhelmed by SI and EM
  - ▶ Can be observed when SI and EM forbidden, or by very precise measurements
- Often involve neutrinos, e.g.  $n \rightarrow pe^-\bar{\nu}_e$
- Charged current WI change quark flavour
  - ▶ Observed **change in hadron flavour**  $D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 \pi^+$   
 $(c\bar{d}) \rightarrow (s\bar{d})(u\bar{d})$
- Can **violate parity** and **charge conjugation invariance**
  - ▶ At much lower level, also violates T and the combined symmetry of CP

# W/Z discoveries at CERN: 1983

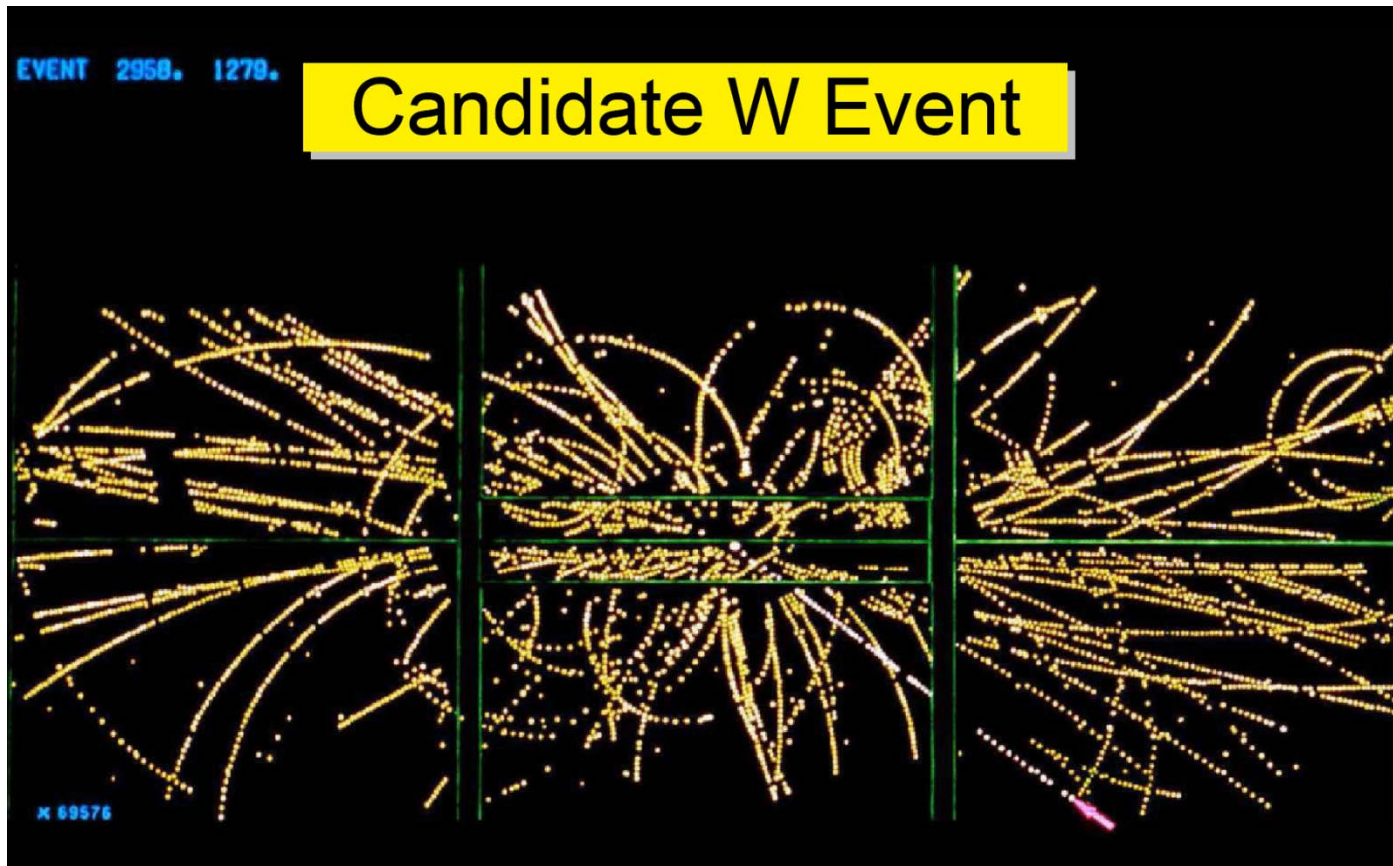
UA1 Experiment



UA2 Experiment



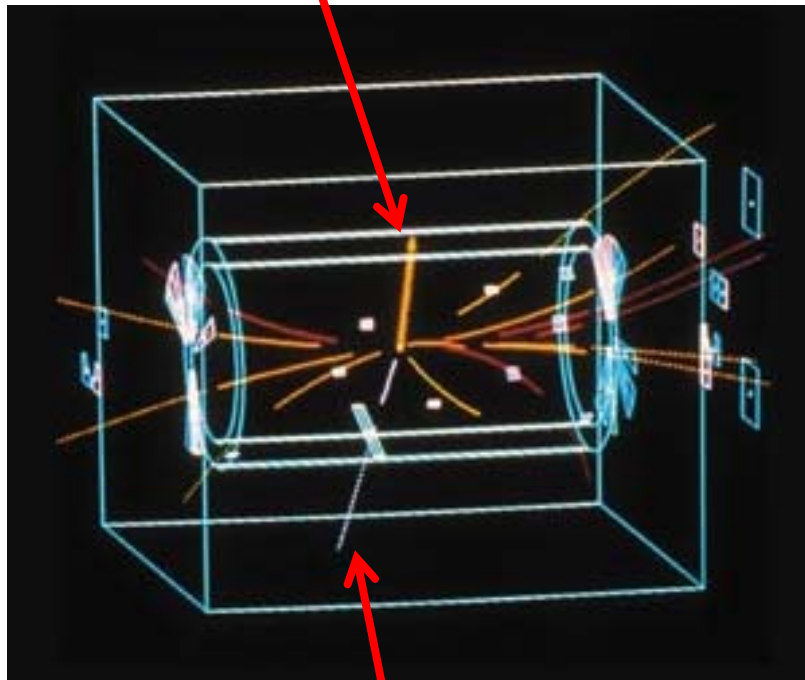
# UA1 event display (with hits)



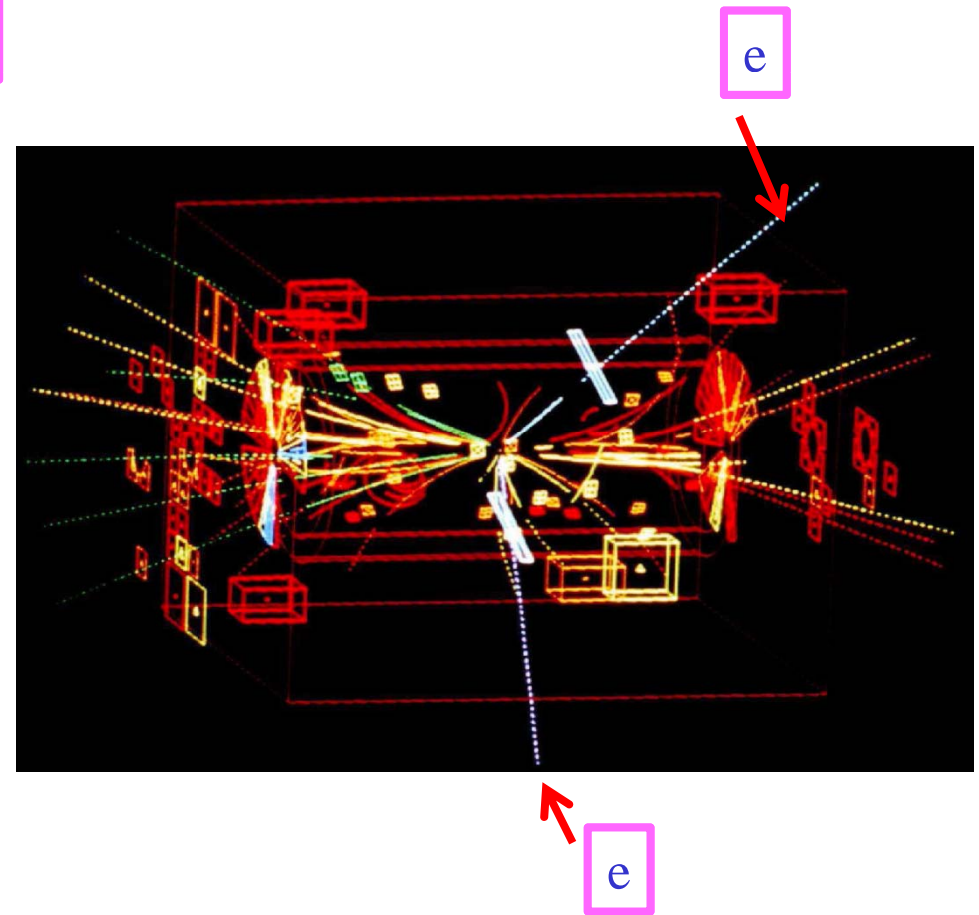
# UA1 W and Z events (leptonic decays)

UA1:  $W \rightarrow e\nu$

“missing” energy (from vector sum)



UA1:  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$



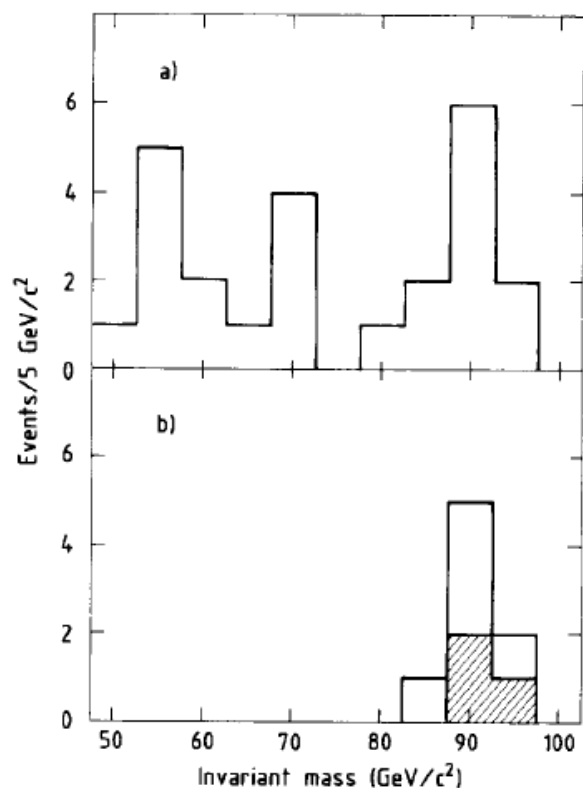


# Early results...

UA2: Physics Letters B

Volume 129, Issues 1-2, 15 Sep.1983

EVIDENCE FOR  $Z^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$  AT THE CERN  $\bar{p}p$  COLLIDER



UA1: Physics Letters B

Volume 122, Issues 1, 24 Feb. 1983

EXPERIMENTAL OBSERVATION OF ISOLATED LARGE TRANSVERSE ENERGY ELECTRONS  
WITH ASSOCIATED MISSING ENERGY AT  $\sqrt{s} = 540$  GeV  
EVENTS WITHOUT JETS

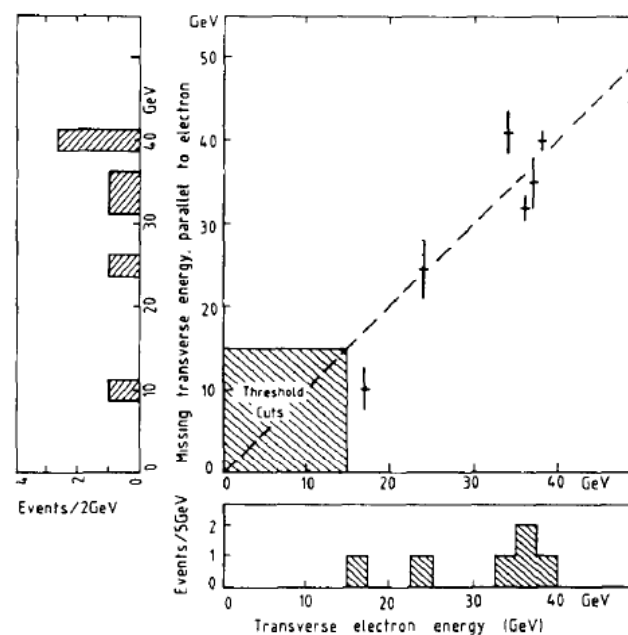
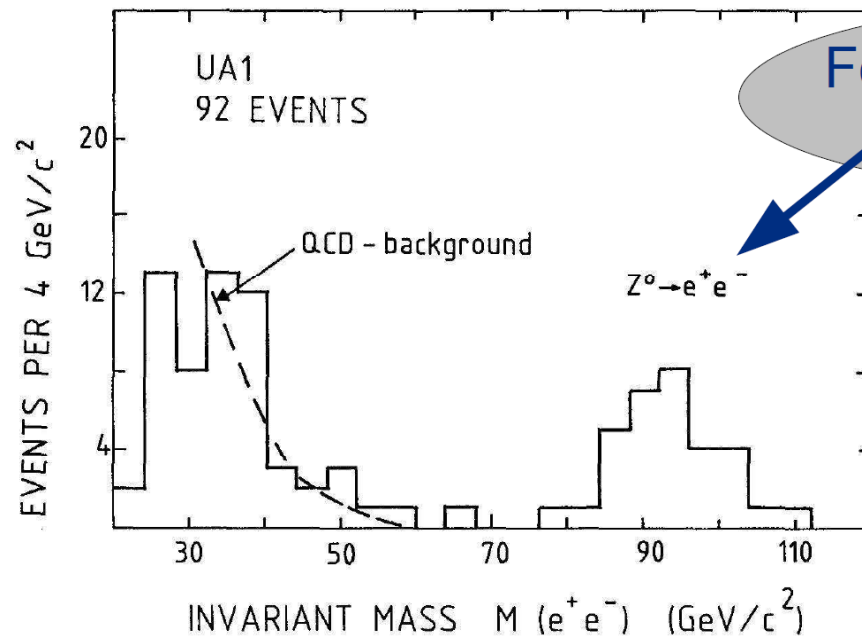


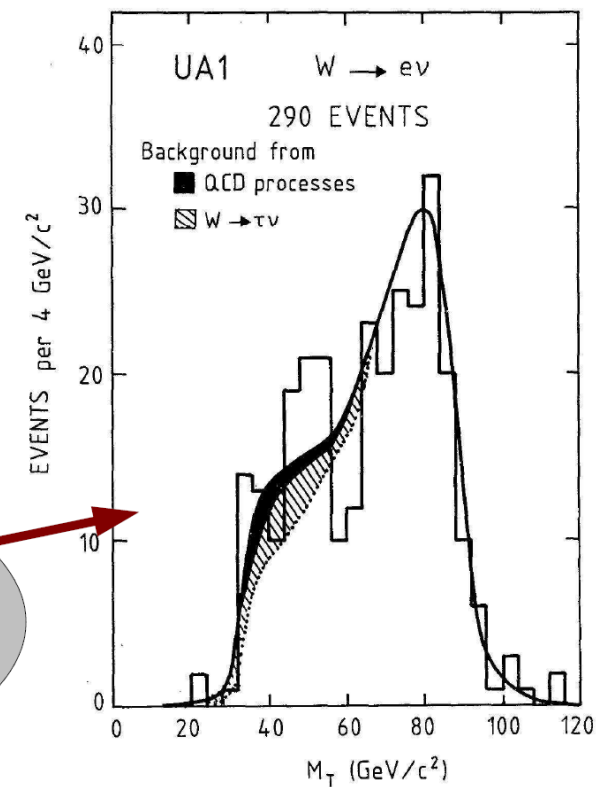
Fig. 8. The missing transverse energy component parallel to the electron, plotted versus the transverse electron energy for the final six electron events without jets (5 gondolas, 1 bouchon). All the events in the gondolas appear well above the threshold cuts used in the searches.

# Later data



For Z, invariant mass of  $e^+e^-$  should be  $M_Z$

For W, have to infer  $\nu$  momentum from overall momentum balance – and cannot measure component along beam axis at all



# LEP: 1989-2001

■ Precise measurements  $\sqrt{s} \sim m_Z$

▶ No. neutrinos

▶ Couplings, mixing angles

■  $f\bar{f}$  physics above  $m_Z$

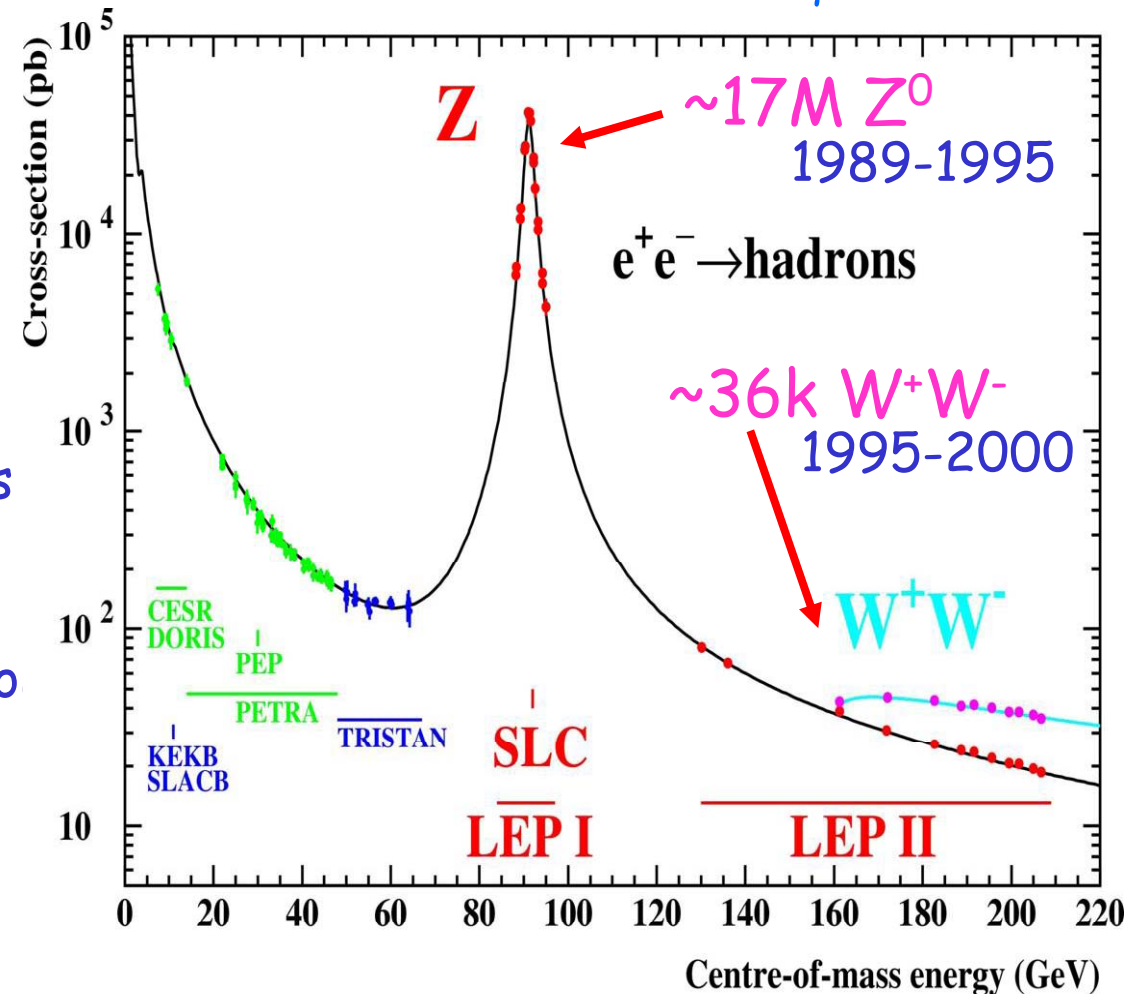
■  $W^+W^-$  production, properties

■ Neutral boson pair production

■ SM interpretations of data:

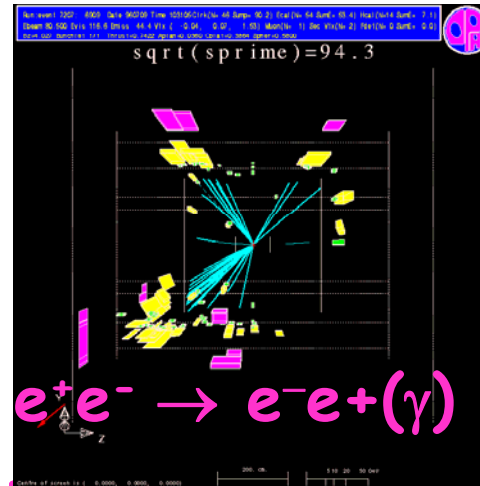
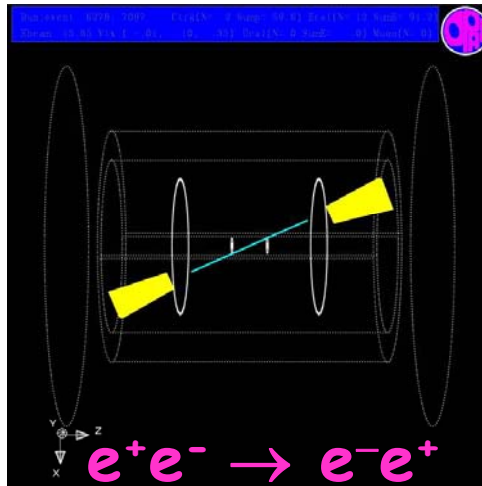
▶ Higgs mass

Data corrected for  $\gamma$  radiation

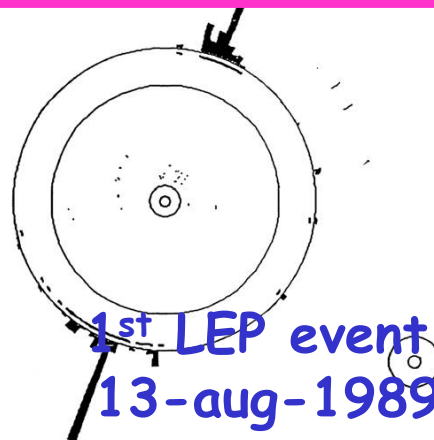
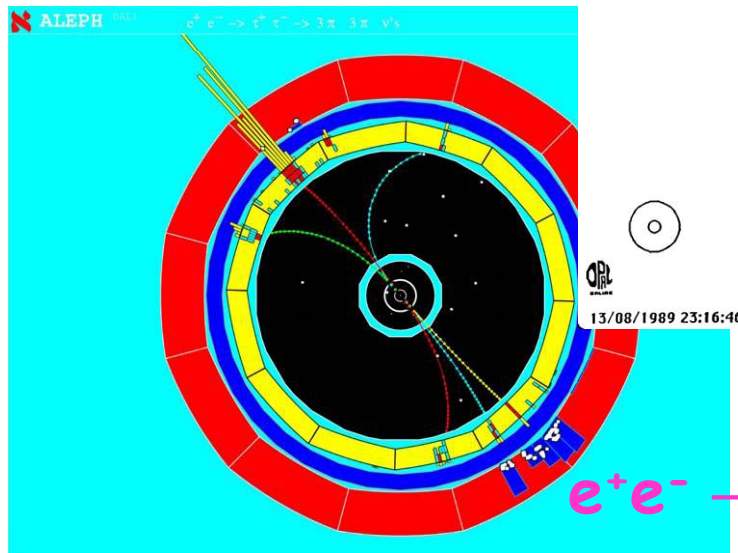
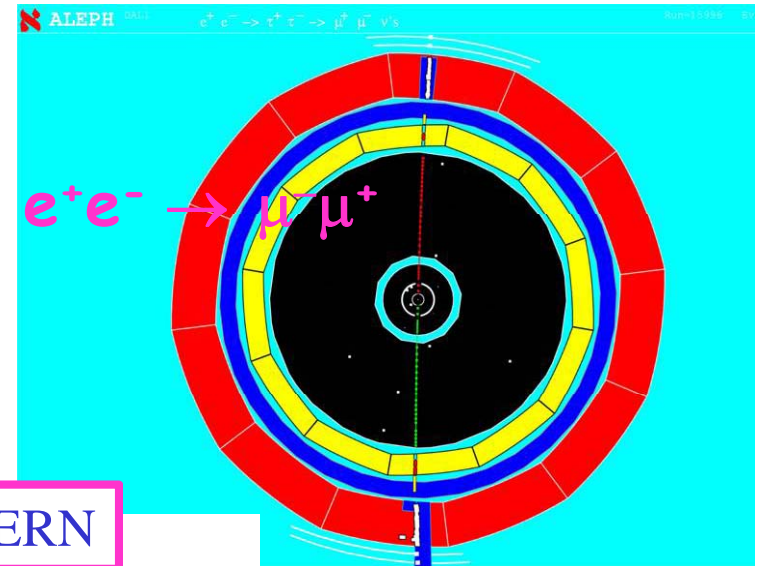




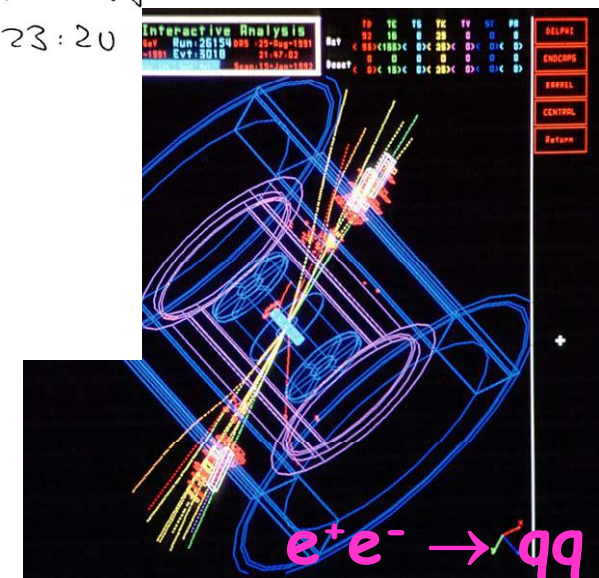
# Example LEP (e+e- collider) events



Z<sup>0</sup> events from LEP1 at CERN

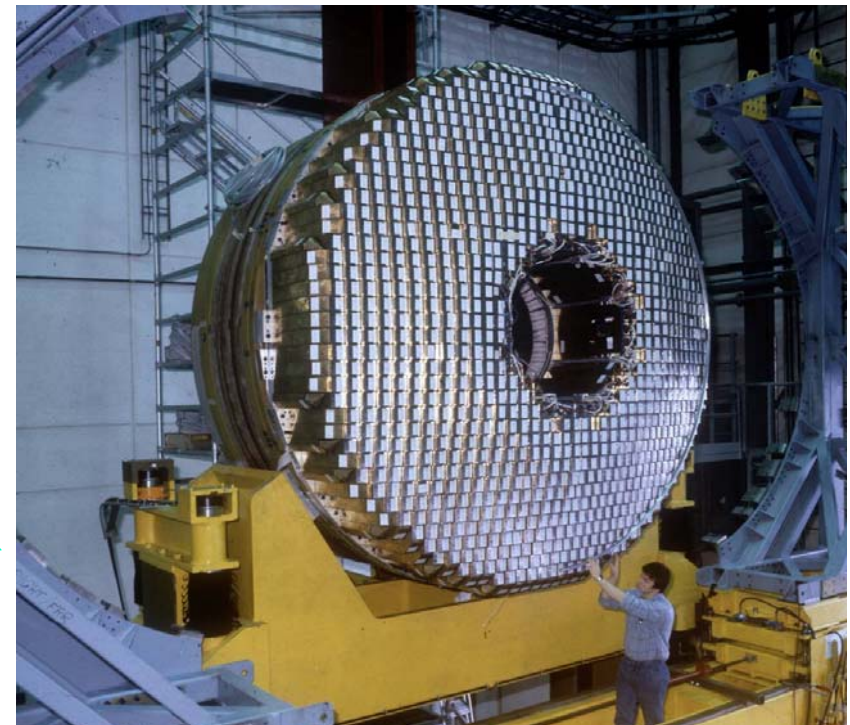
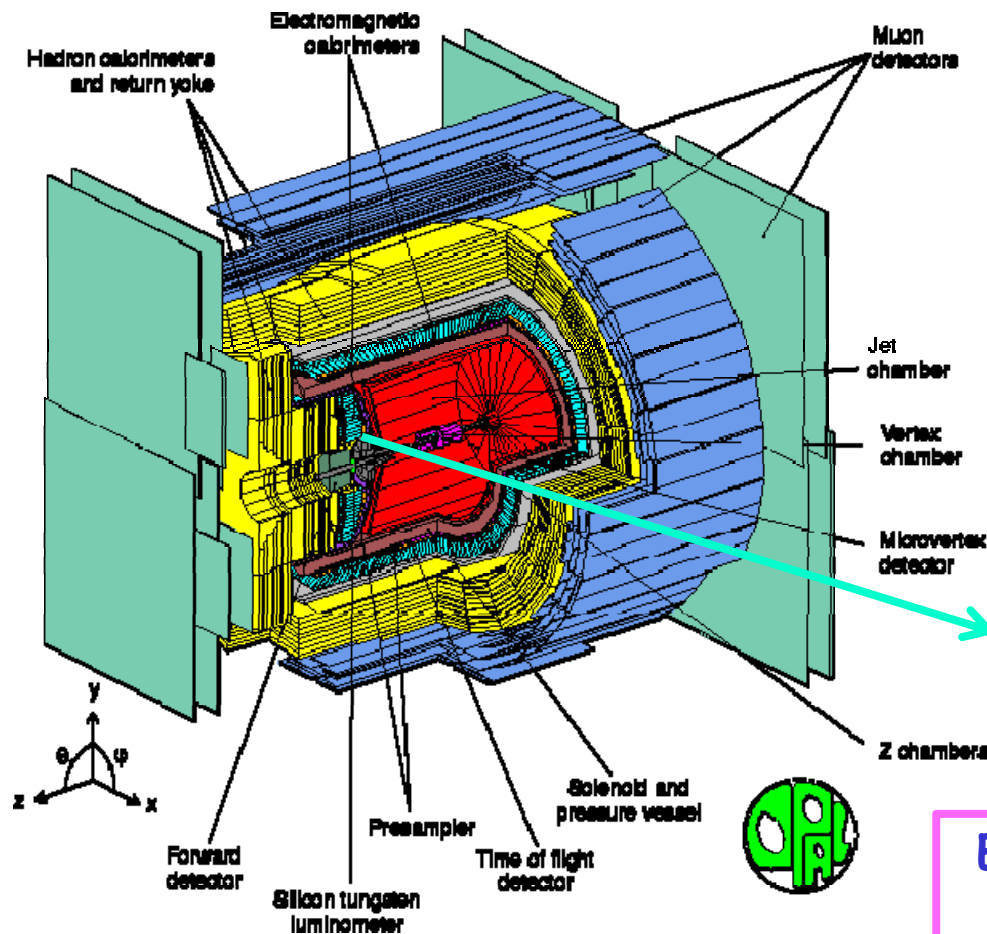


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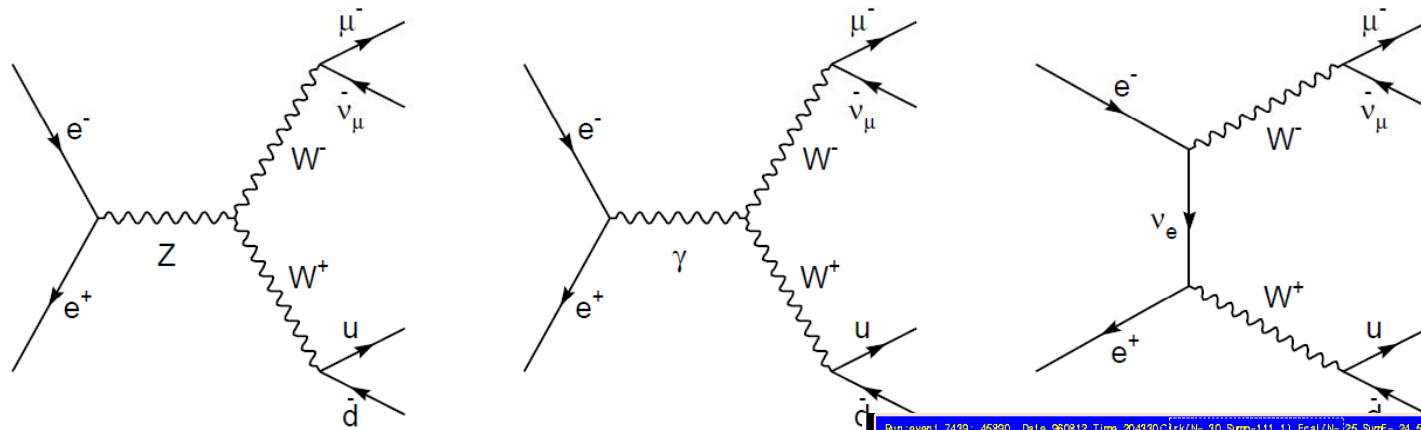
# Anatomy of $e^+e^-$ collider experiment

- Typical cylindrical construction
- Minimise dead areas, hermetic design
- Multiple measuring techniques, optimised for different particle species

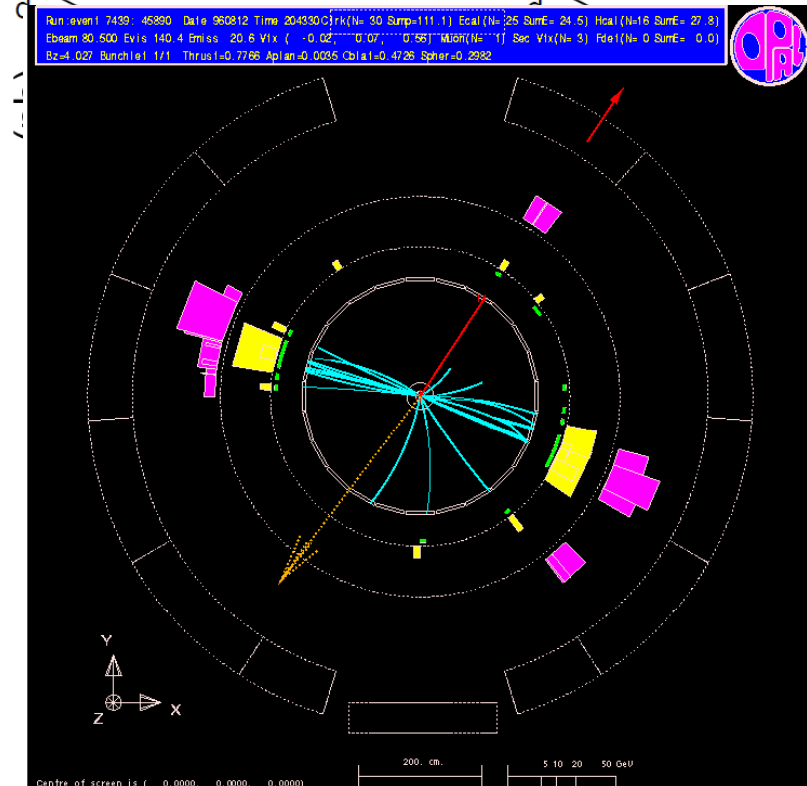


Electromagnetic calorimeter "endcap"  
1132 lead glass blocks  
Front face  $\sim 10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$   
Weight  $\sim 25 \text{ kg/block}$

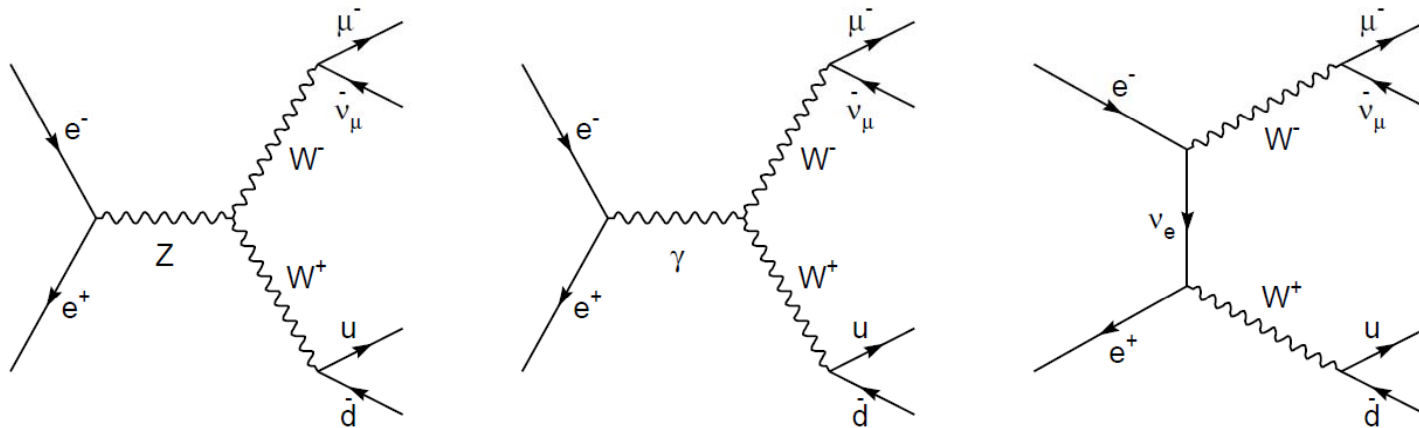
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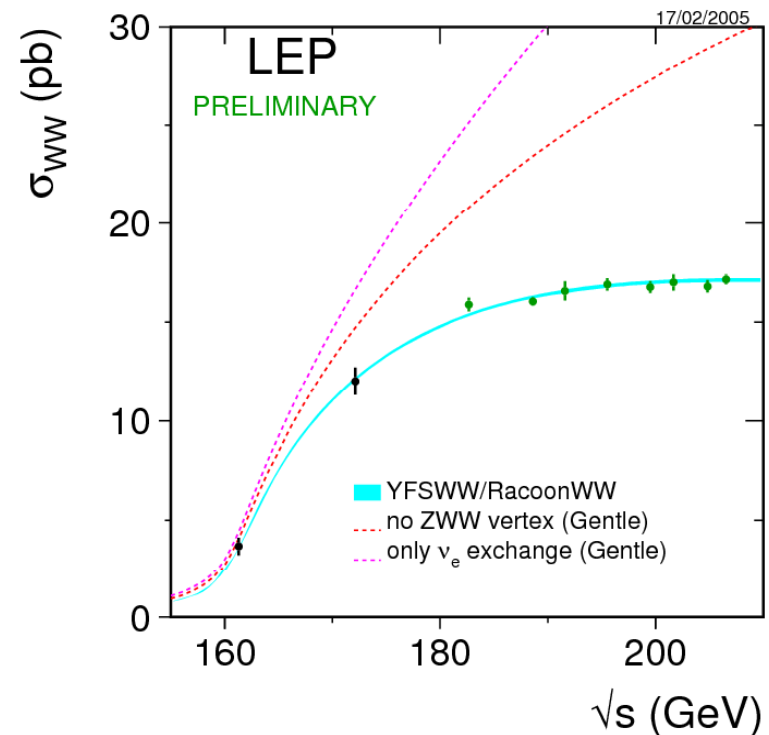
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# Earth Tides

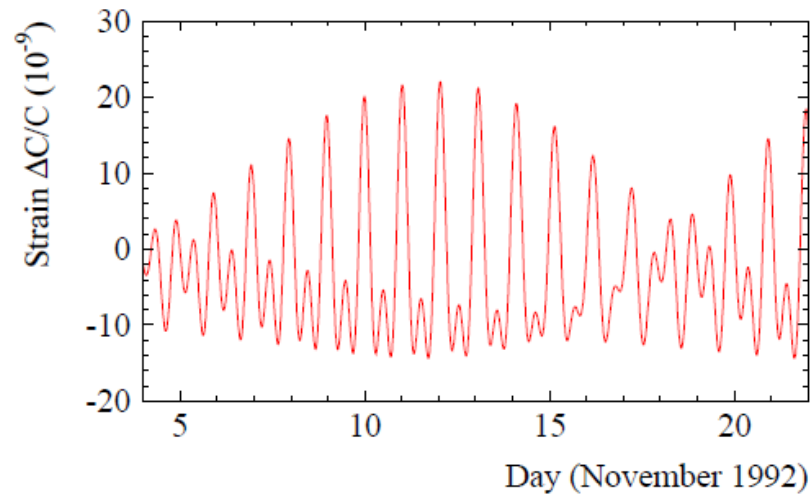
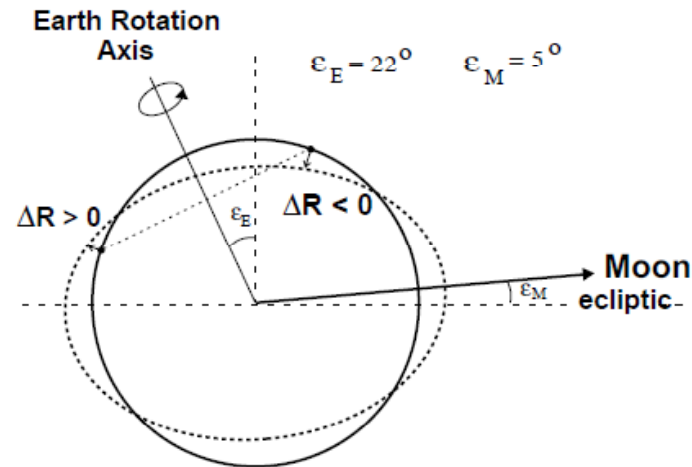
Tide bulge of a celestial body  
of mass  $M$  at a distance  $d$  :

$$\Delta R \sim \frac{M}{2d^3}(3\cos^2\theta - 1)$$

$\theta$  = angle(vertical,the celestial body)

Earth tides :

- The Moon contributes 2/3,  
the Sun 1/3.
- NO 12 hour symmetry  
(direction of Earth rotation axis).
- Not resonance-driven  
(unlike Sea tides !).
- Accurate predictions.

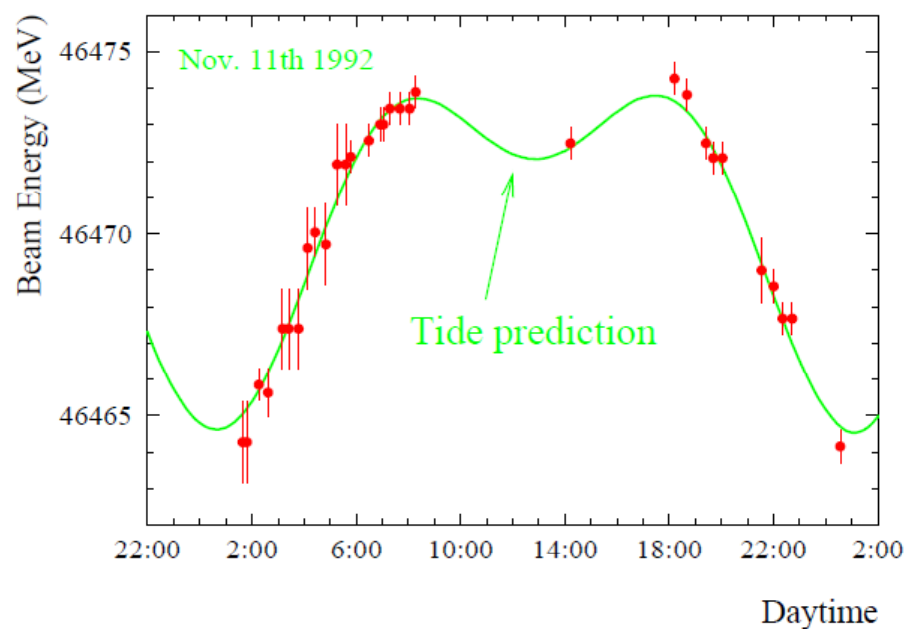




# Moonrise over LEP



Fall of 1992 : The historic tide experiment !



The total strain is  $4 \times 10^{-8}$  ( $\Delta C = 1 \text{ mm}$ )



# Success in the Press !

## Moon Found Behind Particle-Accelerator Puzzle

By MALCOLM W. BRIDGEMAN

For more than a year, physicists at the largest particle accelerator in the world, CERN, have been puzzled by the fact that the energy of the particles circulating in the Large Electron-Positron collider, LEP, seems to vary slightly with the phases of the moon.

Now, scientists at CERN have found the answer: the moon's gravitational pull on the Earth's crust causes minute deformations in the Earth's crust, which in turn affect the energy of the particles circulating in LEP.

## In Physics, the Moon Factor

GENEVA (IHT) — Scientists at the European Laboratory for Particle Physics will have to consult the phase of the moon in future before calibrating instruments on the Large Electron-Positron collider outside Geneva.

Long puzzled by variations in the energy of the circulating beam made up of hundreds of millions of subatomic particles, physicists have now discovered that these correspond exactly to minute deformations in the Earth's crust caused by lunar attraction. Over the 27 kilometre circumference of the collider, the Earth's crust is deformed by up to 10 centimetres.

## Change to Yarn's life

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## Physicists look to the moon for atomic answers

Dans le grand accélérateur européen de particules, les mesures de l'énergie des particules sont parfois affectées par la lune.

## La lune trouble le CERN

L'énergie des particules circulant dans l'anneau du LEP se modifie en fonction des phases lunaires.

## Comment la lune a trompé le CERN : les physiciens expliquent


Les scientifiques ont enfin trouvé l'origine d'une imprécision qui entachait leurs expériences : des « marées terrestres » provoquées par la lune.

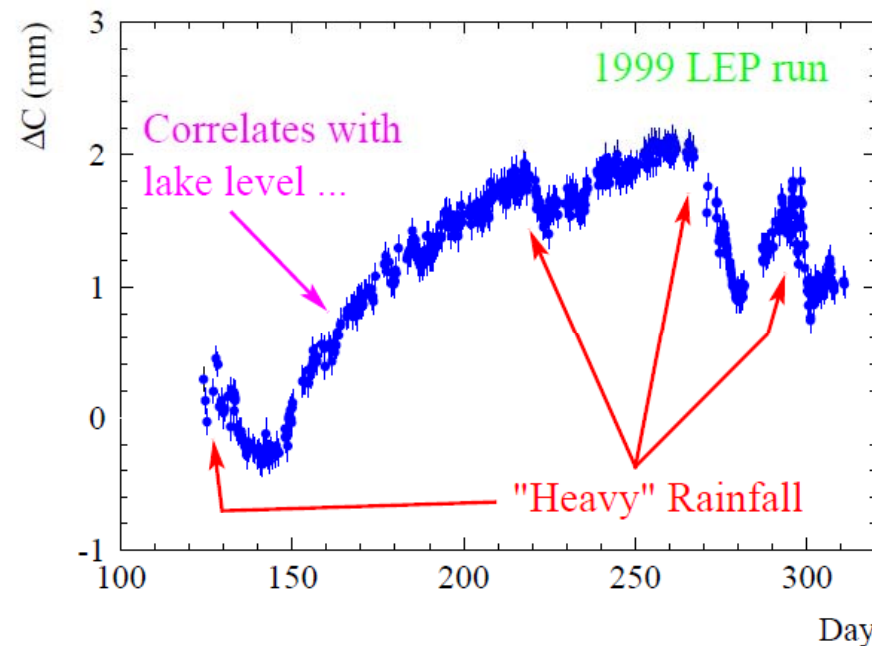
# Underground Water

**1993** : Unexpected energy “drifts” over a few weeks were traced to **cyclic circumference changes of  $\sim 2$  mm/year**.

Driving “forces” :

- Underground water
- ➔ Rainfall
- Lake levels
- Other ?

  
Circumference change measured with the radial beam position.

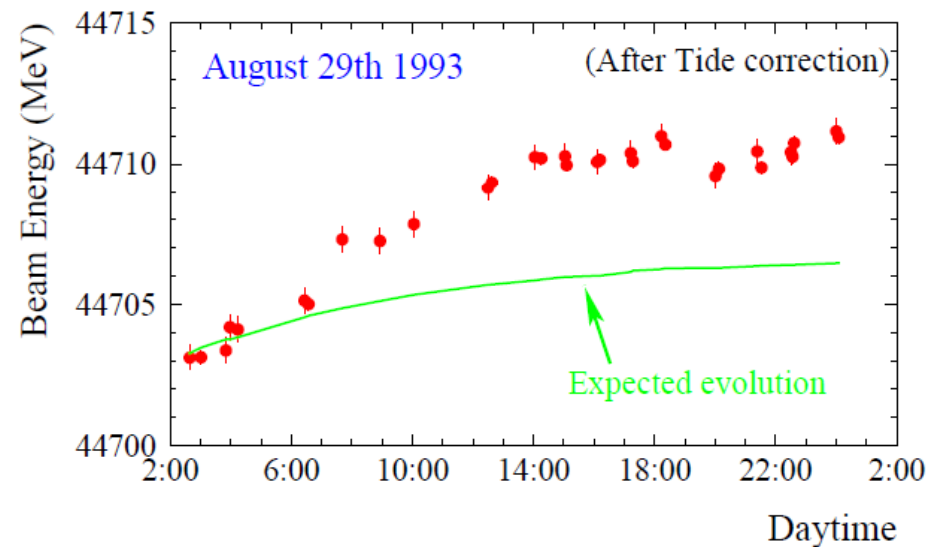


# The Crack in the Model

Spring of 1994 : the beam energy model seemed to explain all observed sources of energy fluctuations...

EX CEPT :

An unexplained energy increase of 5 MeV was observed in ONE experiment.



It will remain unexplained for two years...

# The Field Ghost

Summer 1995 : the first field measurements inside ring dipoles.

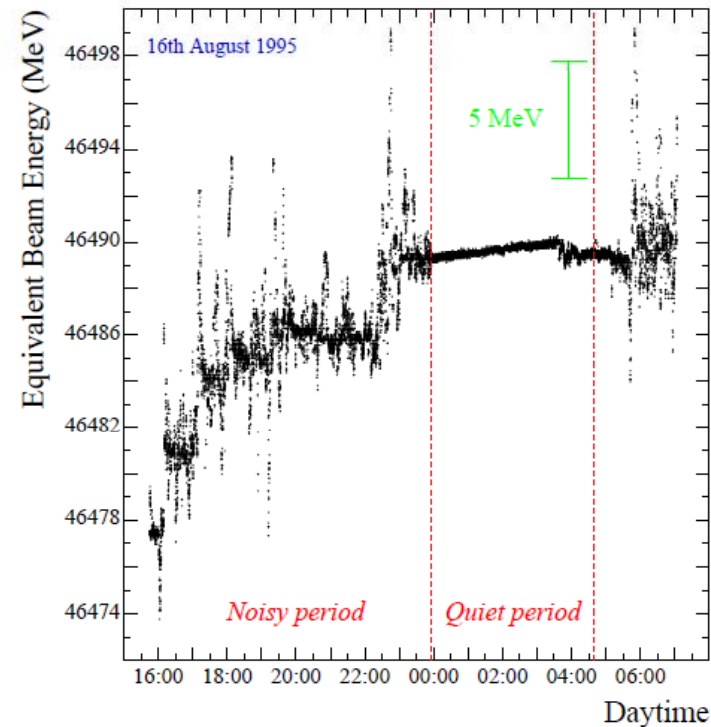
The data showed (unexpected) :

- Short term fluctuations
- Long term increase (hysteresis)
- ➔ Energy increase of  $\sim 5$  MeV over a LEP fill !
- Quiet periods in the night !



**Human activity !**

But which one ??



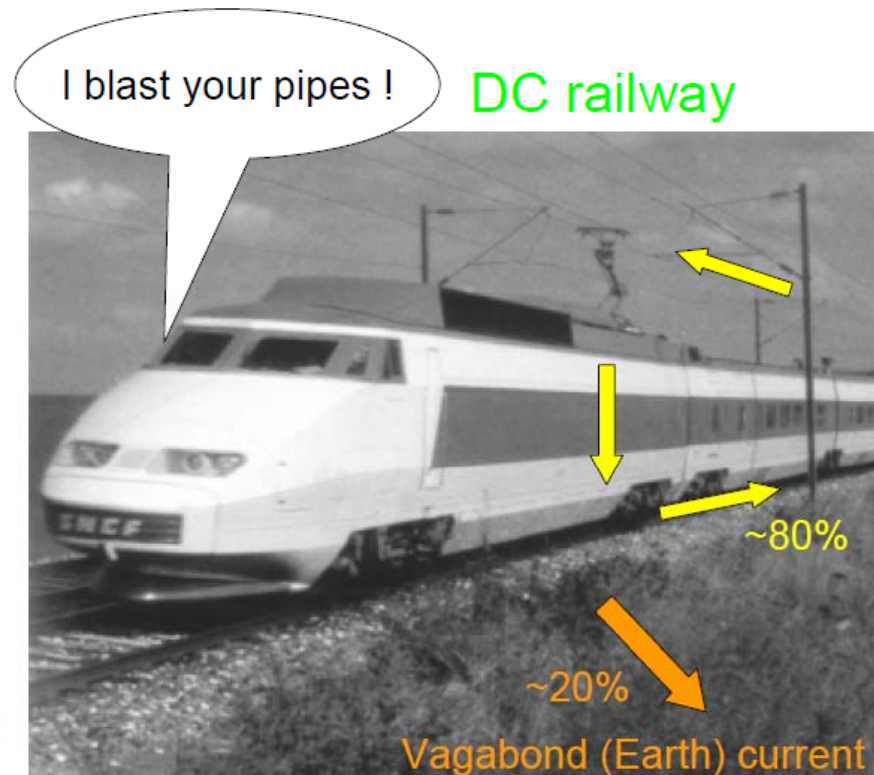
# Pipebusters

The explanation was given by the Swiss electricity company EOS...

**Vagabond currents  
from  
trains and subways**



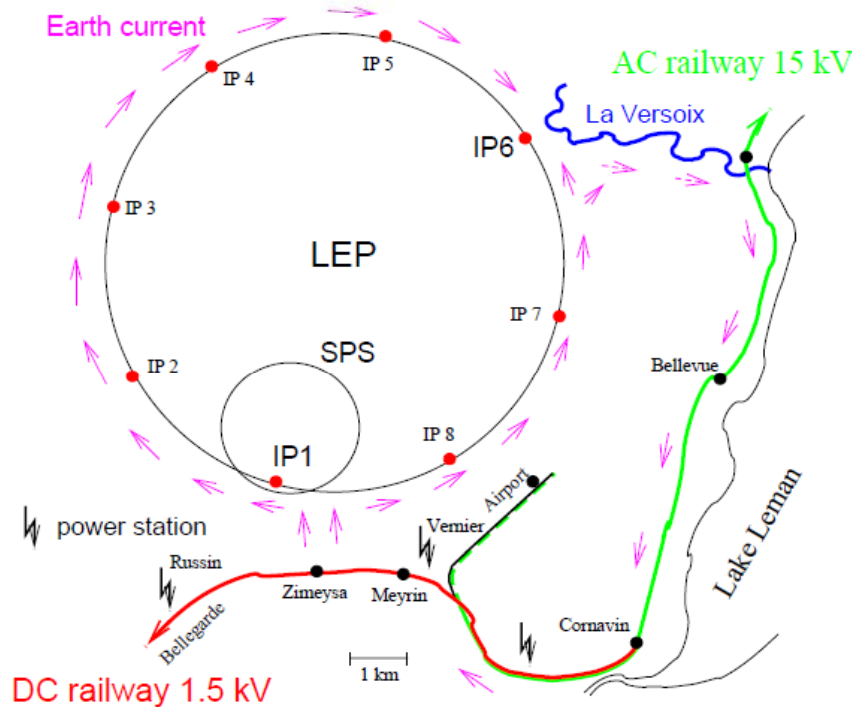
Source of electrical noise  
and corrosion  
(first discussed in ...189 8 !)



# Vagabonding Currents

LEP is affected by the French DC railway line Geneva-Bellegarde

➔ A DC current of 1 A is flowing on the LEP vacuum chamber.



Entrance/exit points :

- Injection lines (Point 1)
- Point 6 (Versoix river)



# TGV for Paris

November 1995 : Measurements of

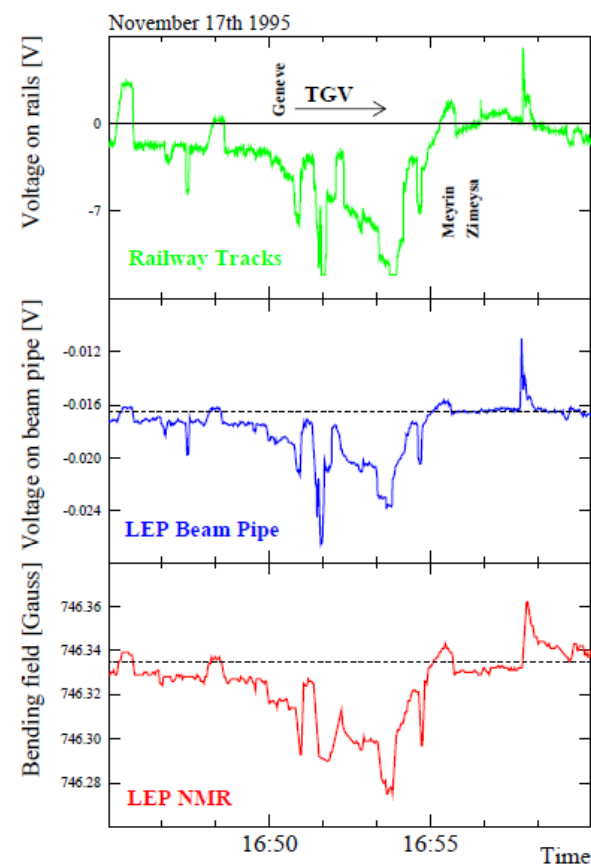
- The current on the railway tracks
- The current on the vacuum chamber
- The dipole field in a magnet

**correlate perfectly !**

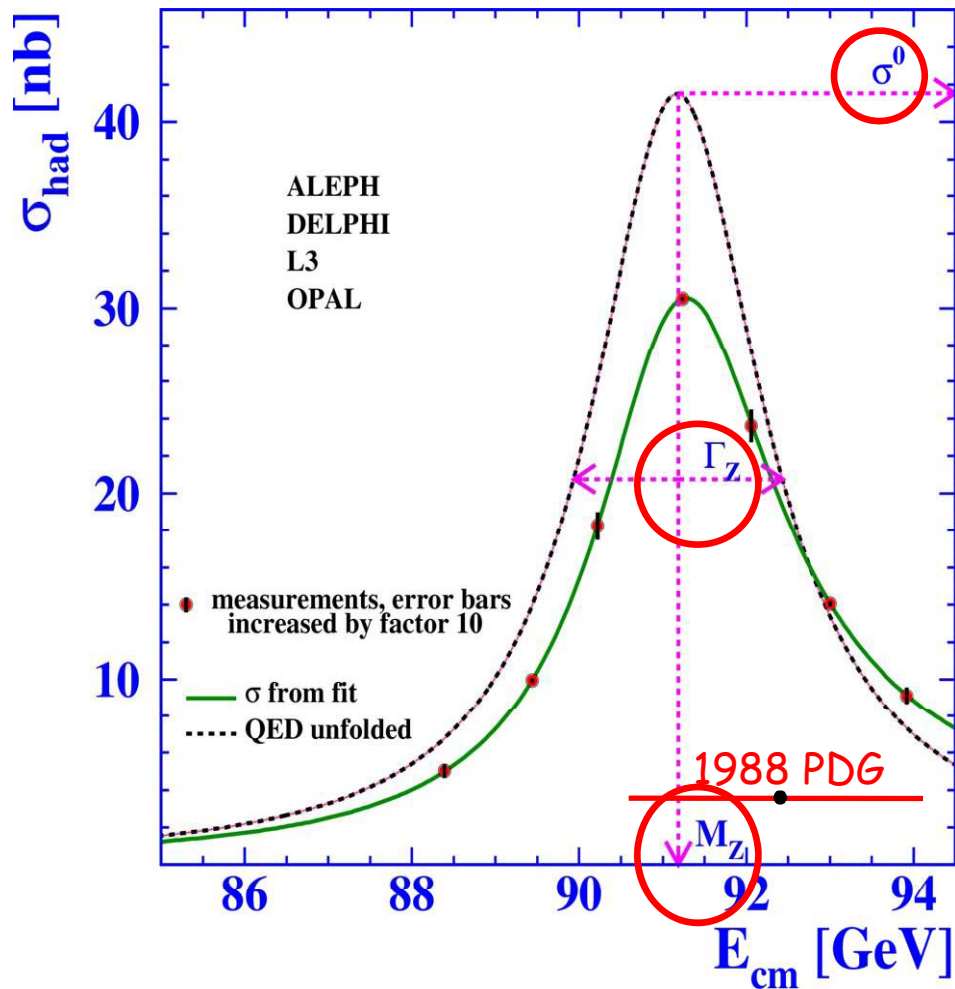
Because energy calibrations were usually performed :

- At the end of fills (saturation)
- During nights (no trains !)

**we “missed” the trains  
for many years !**

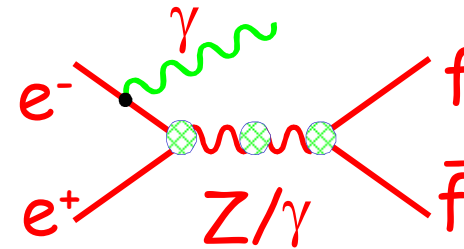


# LEP Lineshape: 1989+...final results



■ 3 parameters:  $m_Z$ ,  $\Gamma_Z$ ,  $\sigma_{\text{had}}^0$

■ Observe



■ ...EW radiative corrections

absorbed in effective couplings

■ Deconvolve to Born cross-section

■ Obtain

$$m_Z = 91,187.5 \pm 2.1 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_Z = 2,495.2 \pm 2.3 \text{ MeV}$$

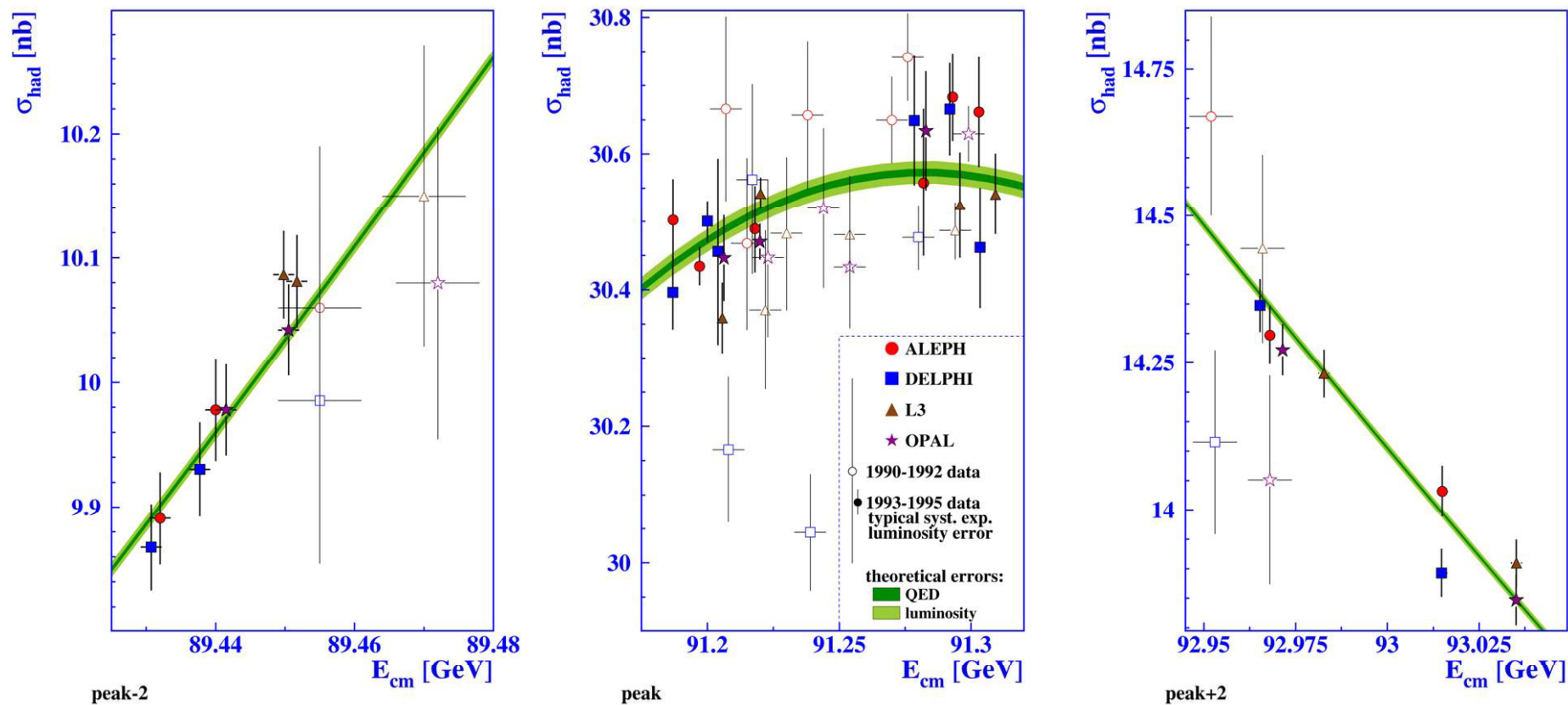
$$\sigma_{\text{had}}^0 = 41.540 \pm 0.037 \text{ nb}$$

Combined measurements, LepI sample

Final LEPI "Z<sup>0</sup> lineshape" measurements

See Physics Reports, Vol. 427, Nos. 5-6, May 2006

# Details of LepI Cross-Section Data



All 4 LEP experiments and  
years of LepI

# No. of Neutrino Generations

- “Invisible width”,  $\Gamma_{\text{inv}} = \Gamma_Z - \Gamma_{\text{had}} - 3 \Gamma_\ell$
- No. of generations =  $\Gamma_{\text{inv}} / \Gamma_v^{\text{SM}}$     SM:  $\Gamma_v^{\text{SM}} = \frac{G_F m_Z^3}{6\pi\sqrt{2}} (g_{v,v}^2 + g_{a,v}^2) \approx 166 \text{ MeV}$   
 ▶ Measure  $\Gamma_{\text{inv}}$

- Direct: measure  $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}\gamma)$  soft  $\gamma$  + nothing else...challenging!

- Indirect: measure  $m_Z, \Gamma_Z, R_\ell, \sigma_{\text{had}}^\circ$      $\sigma_{\text{had}}^\circ \equiv \frac{12\pi\Gamma_e\Gamma_{\text{had}}}{(m_Z\Gamma_Z)^2}$

$$\Gamma_{\text{inv}} / \Gamma_v^{\text{SM}} = \left( \frac{12\pi}{m_Z^2 \sigma_{\text{had}}^\circ} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - R_\ell - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{N_\nu = 2.9841 \pm 0.0083} \quad \text{for } m_\nu \leq \frac{1}{2}m_Z \sim 45 \text{ GeV}$$

- For  $N_\nu = 3$ , width from new Z decay modes =  $-2.7 \pm 1.6 \text{ MeV}$
- Still room for heavy or sterile neutrinos

# Helicity for massive fermions

- W couples preferentially to LH fermions (RH anti-fermions)

$$\frac{W - RH \text{ fermion}}{W - LH \text{ fermion}} = \left( \frac{m_{\text{fermion}}}{E_{\text{fermion}}} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{\gamma_{\text{fermion}}^2}$$

- "Wrong" helicity states strongly suppressed
- Suppression greater for lighter fermions (of a given energy)
- Example: charged pion decay

# Calculation of helicity suppression

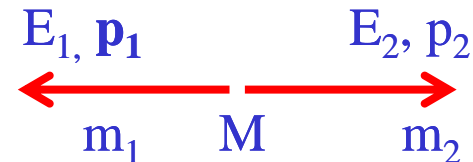
■  $\pi^+$  decays to particles 1, 2

■  $E_1 + E_2 = M$

■  $|p_1| = |p_2|$

■ Use  $E^2 = p^2 + m^2$ , solve for  $E_1$ , find

▶  $E_1 = (M^2 + m_1^2 - m_2^2) / 2M$



■ Consider particle 1 as either  $\mu^+$  or  $e^+$ , particle 2 as  $\nu_\mu, \nu_e$

■ Masses ( $\text{MeV}/c^2$ ) :  $\pi^+ = 139.6$ ,  $\mu^+ = 105.7$ ,  $e^+ = 0.511$

Particle 1	Energy (MeV)	Lorentz $\gamma$
$\mu$	109.8	1.039
$e$	69.8	139.6

■ Relative suppression =  $(\gamma_\mu / \gamma_e)^2 = 18000$  (expt.  $\sim 10^{-4}$ )