

How large is a Proton?

Puzzle around a
“shrinking”
particle

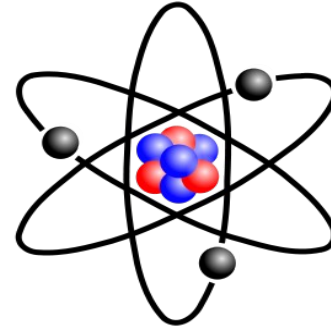
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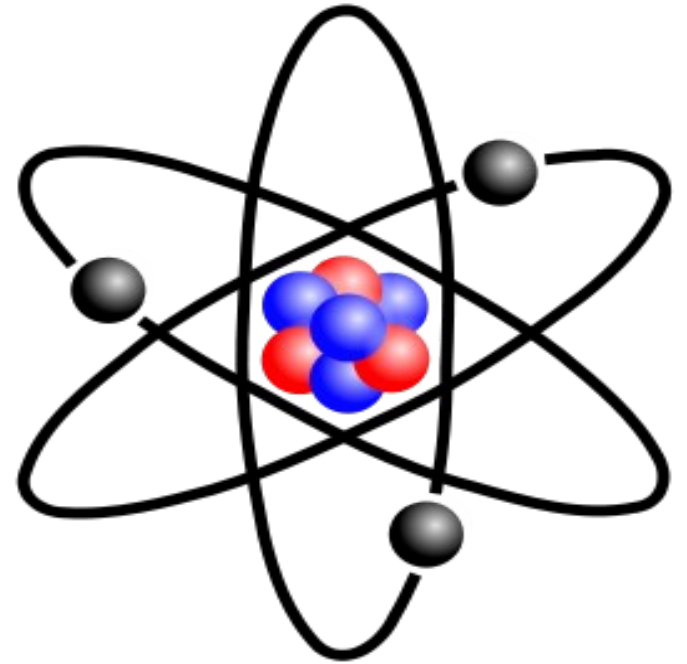
Today

- Atoms
- Protons, Electrons
- Accelerators
- Particles: Muons
- Laser
- and (no) answer to the question:
 “How large is the proton?”
- Have fun!



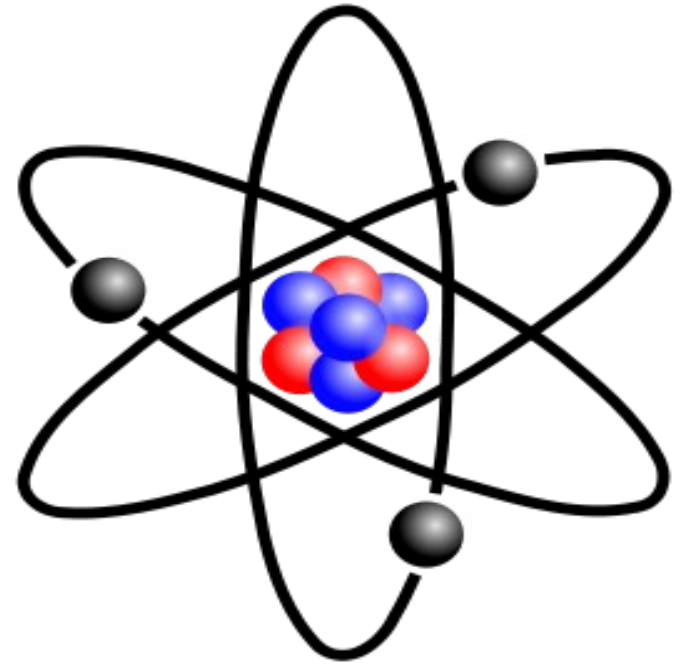
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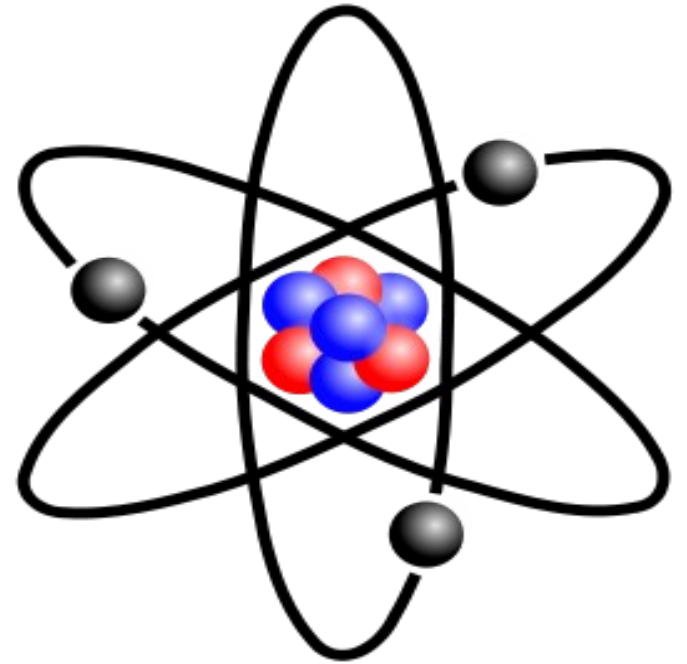
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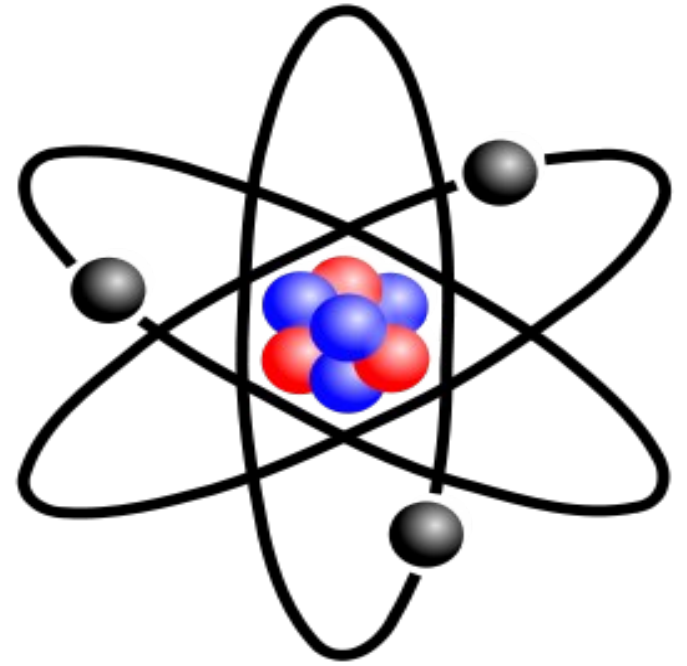
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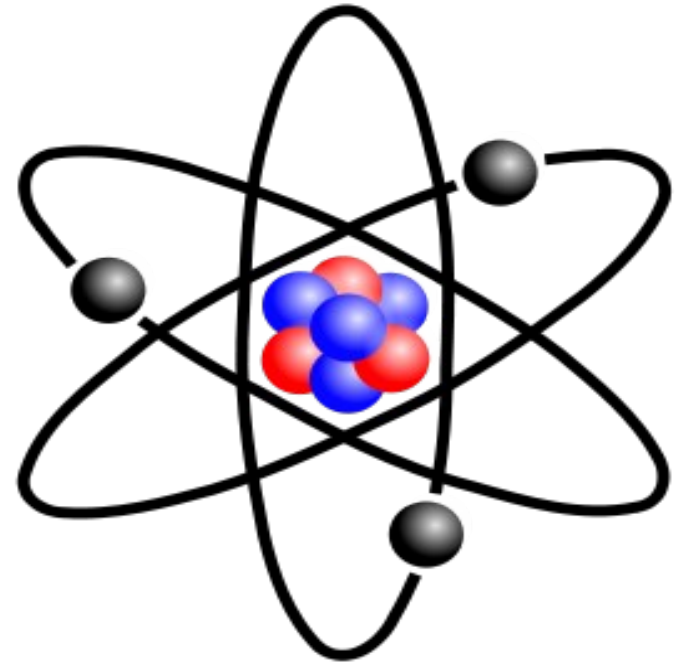
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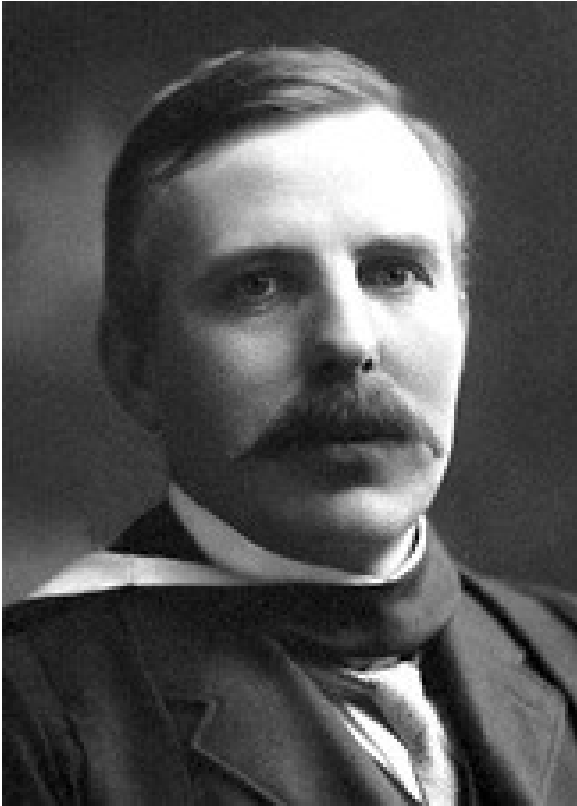


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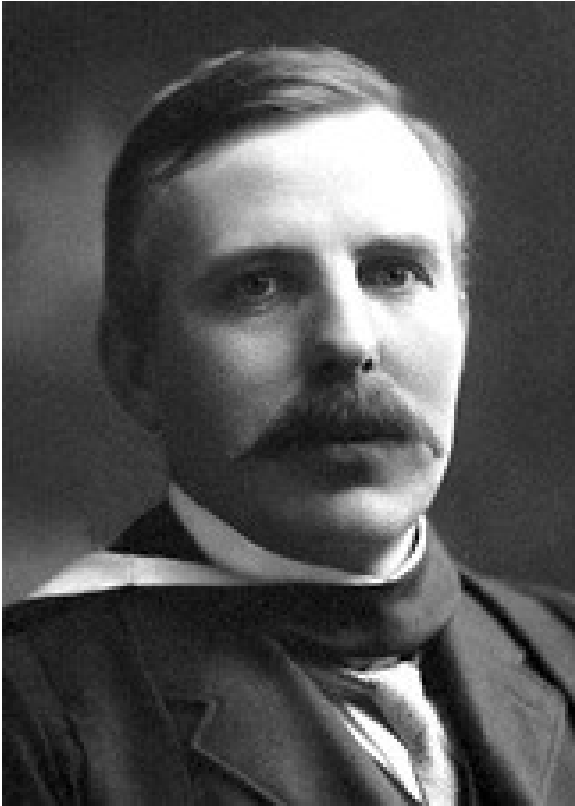


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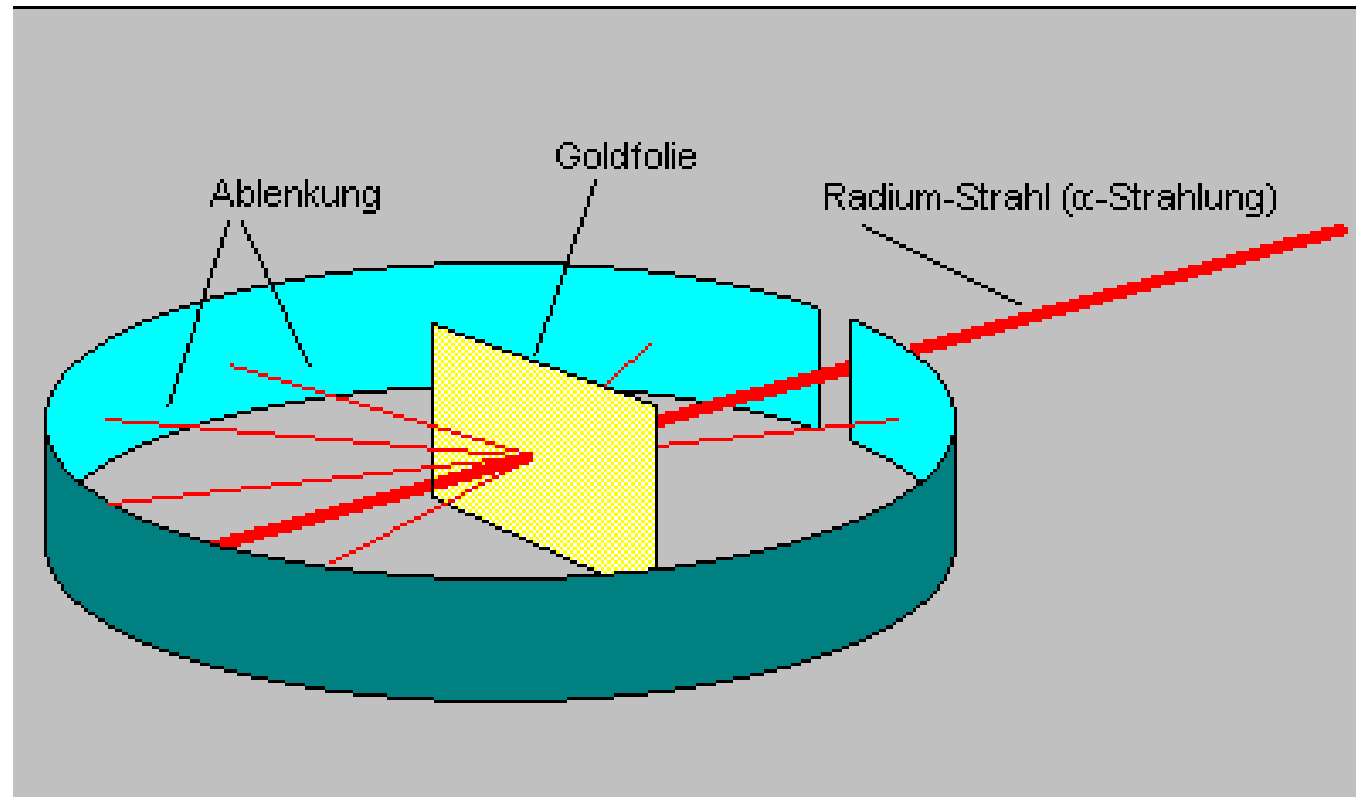
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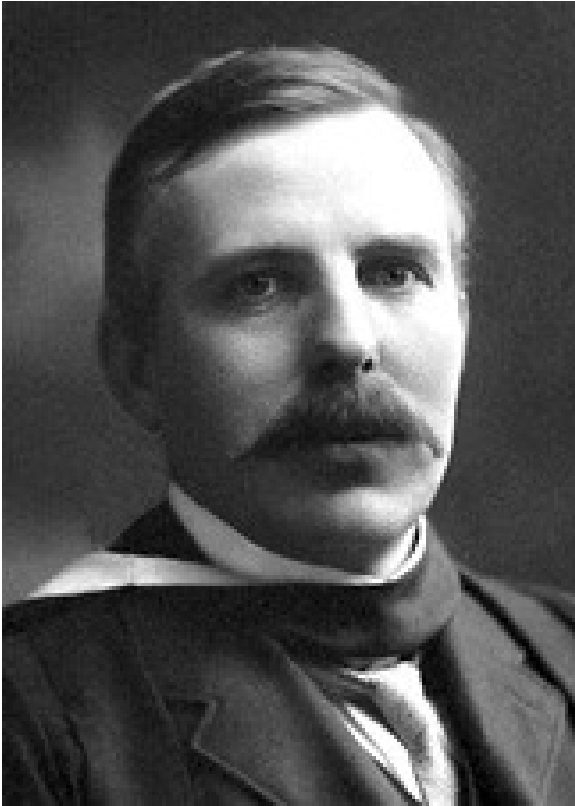
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Rutherford shoots **alpha particles** onto a thin gold foil

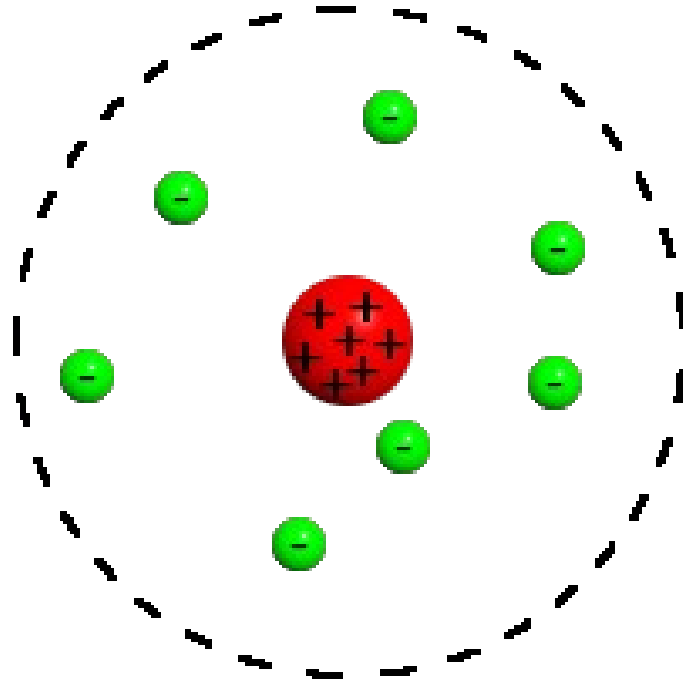


Most alpha particles pass the thin gold foil unaffected.
A few are however deflected at large angles.

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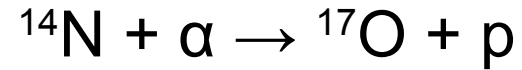
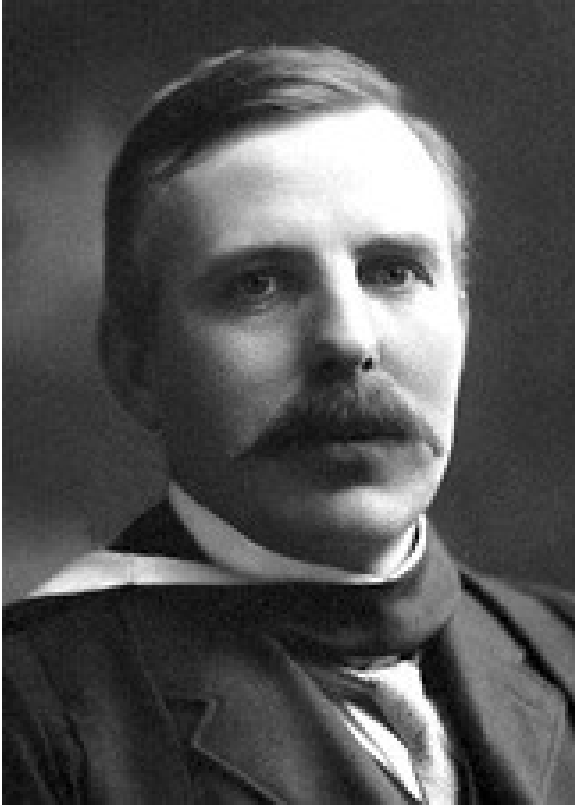


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The Atom is a
very small, heavy, positively charged **Nucleus**
orbited by negatively charged **Electrons**

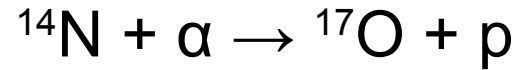
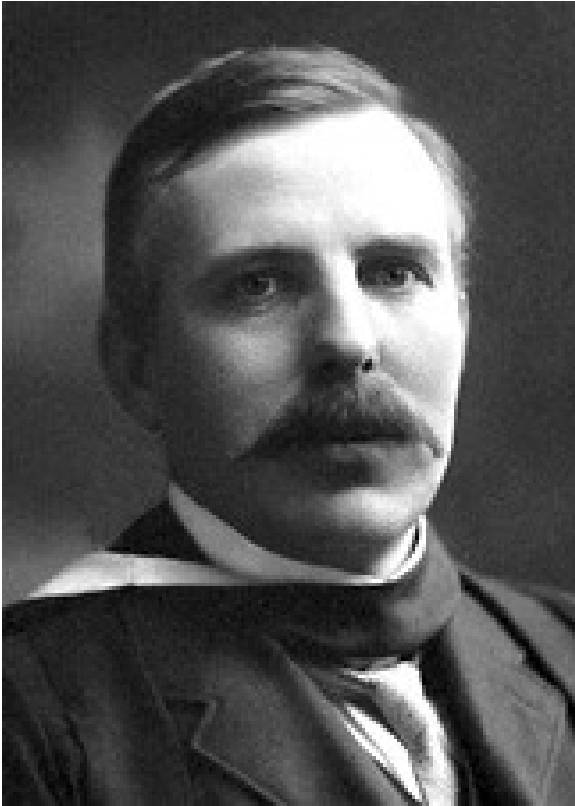
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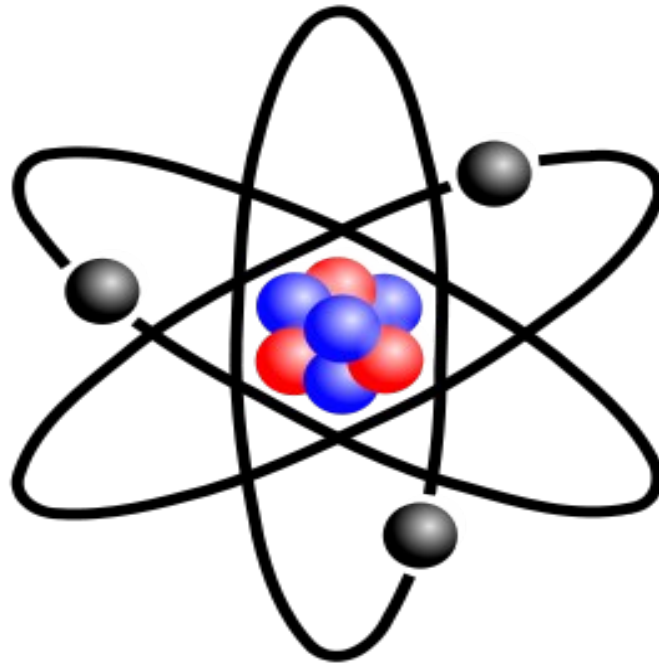
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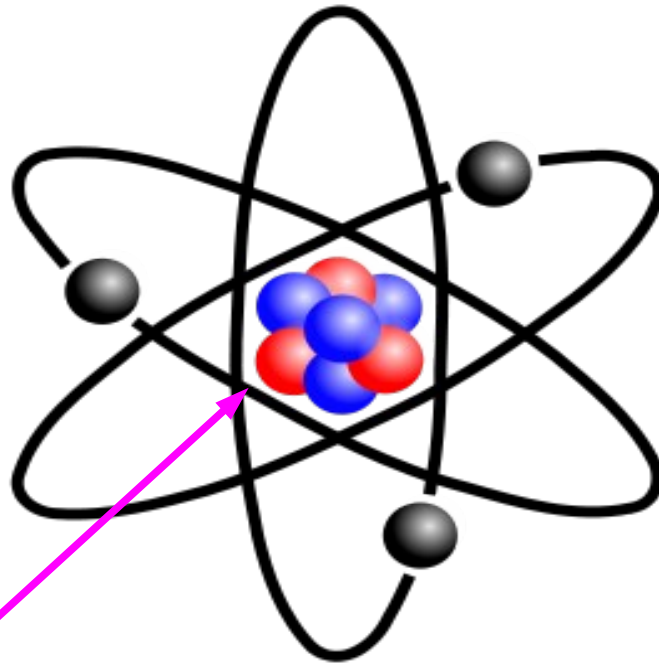
101 years of the proton !!!



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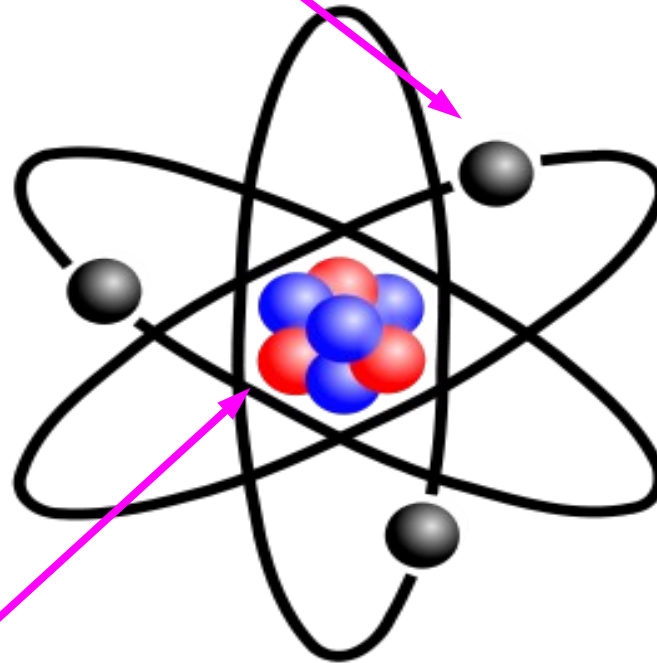


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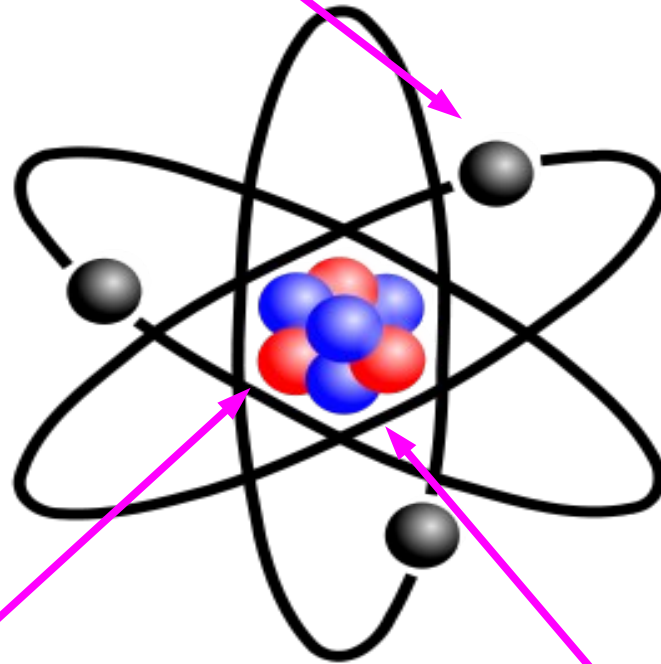


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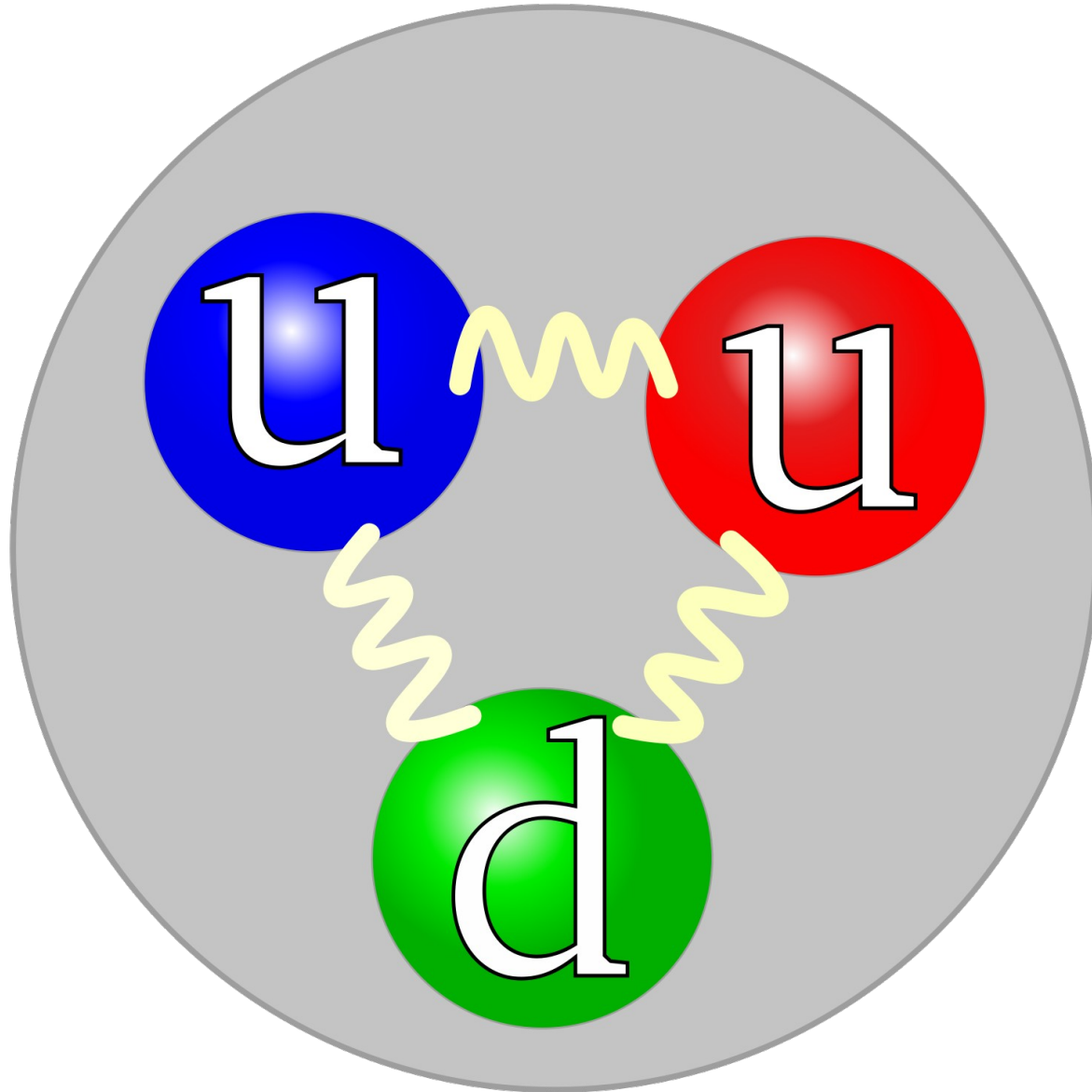


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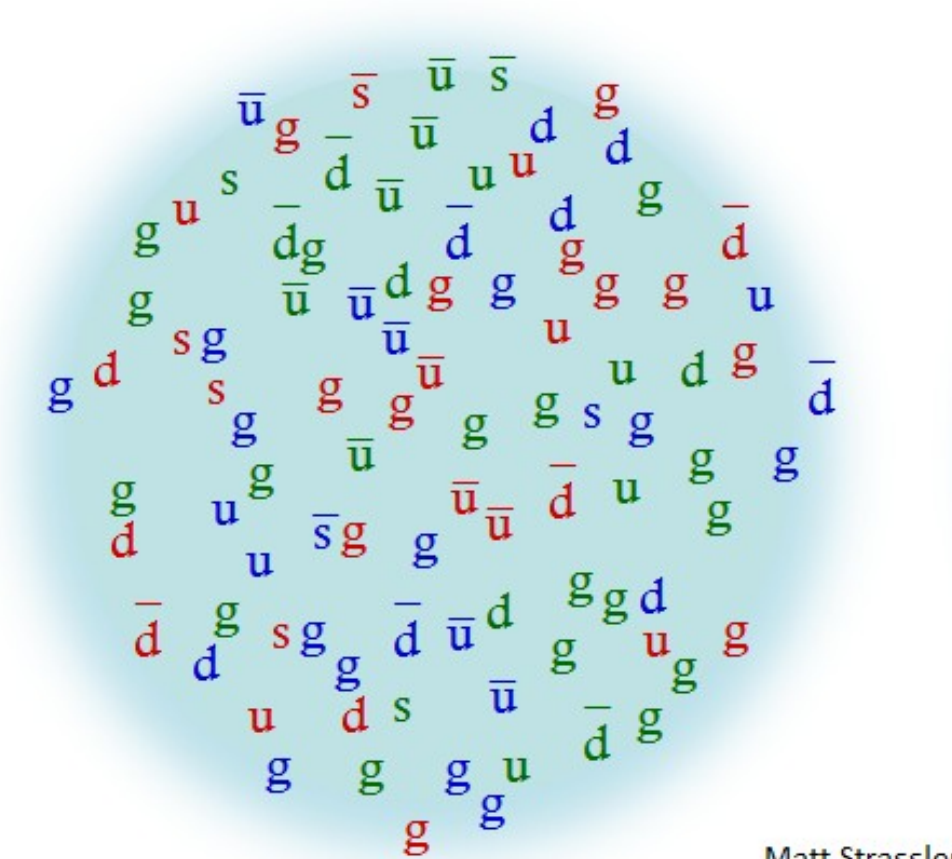
Neutron: James Chadwick
(1932)

Proton – 3 Quarks



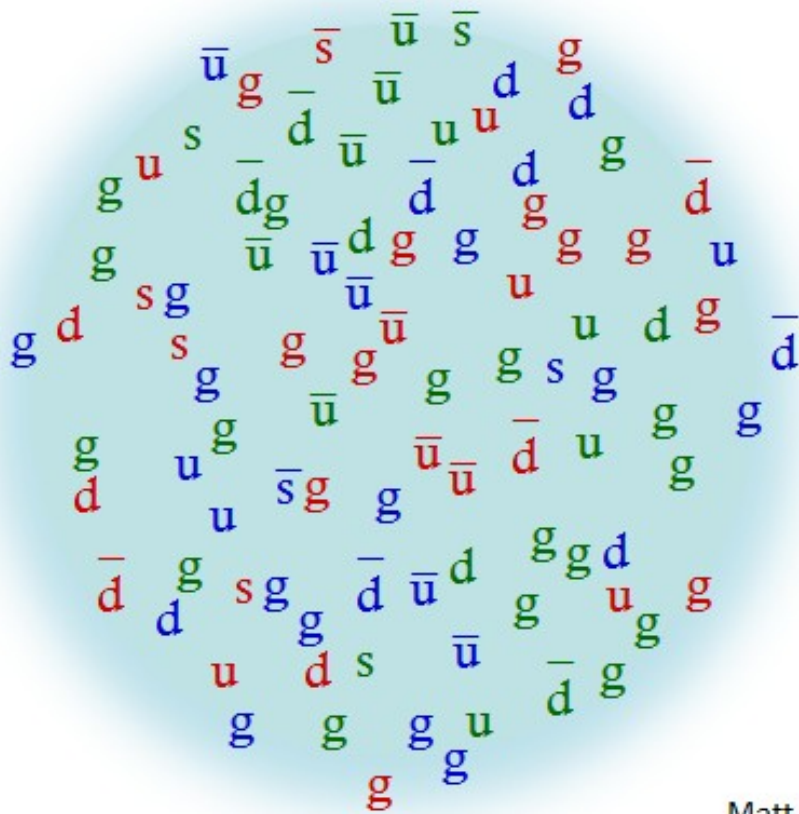
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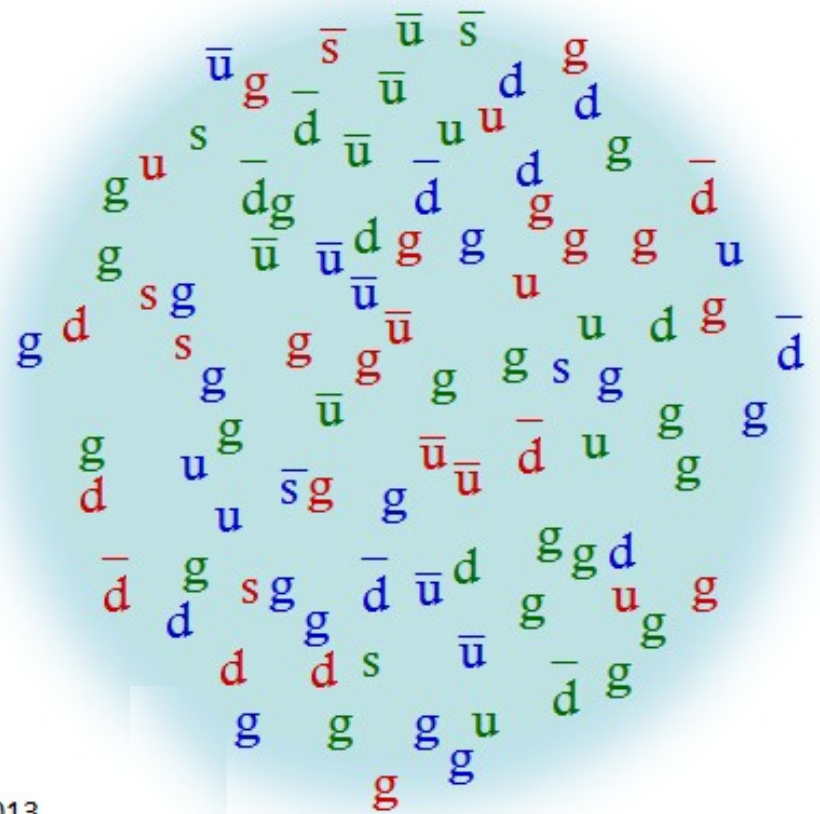


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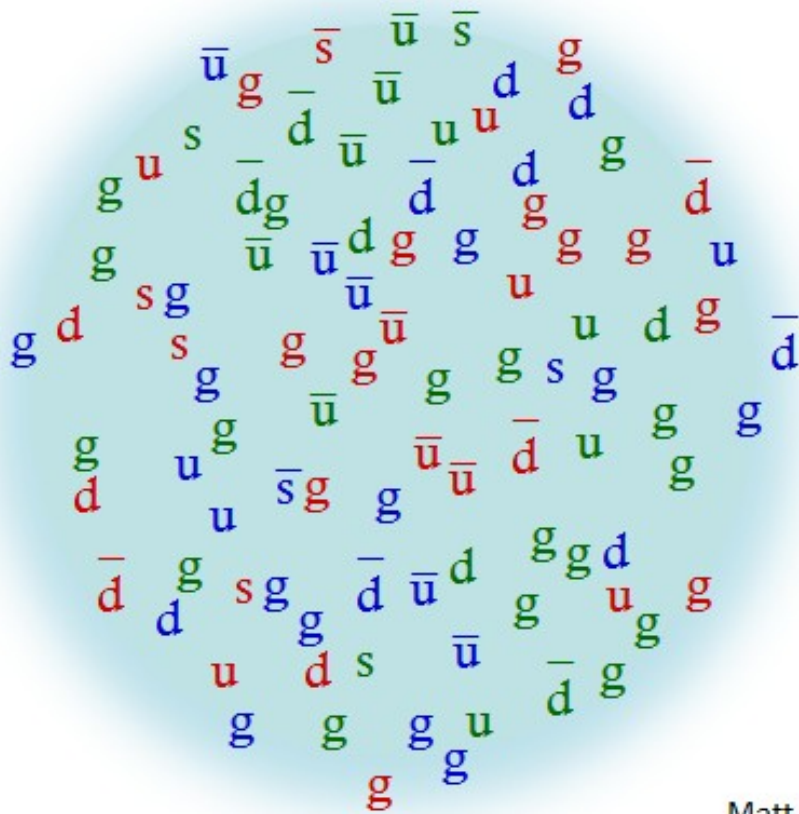


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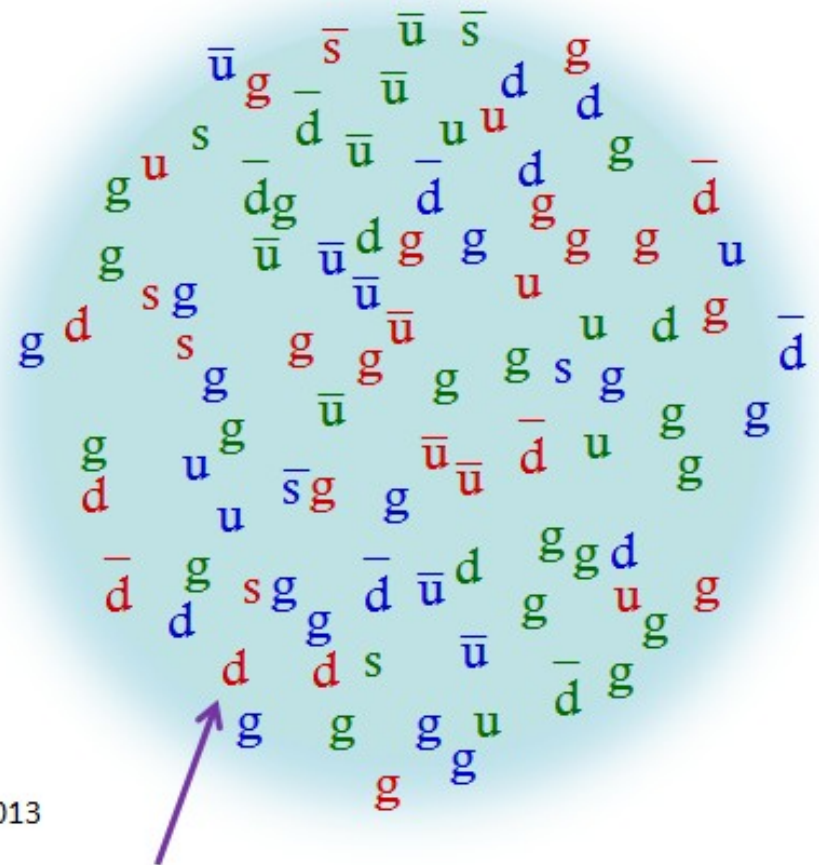


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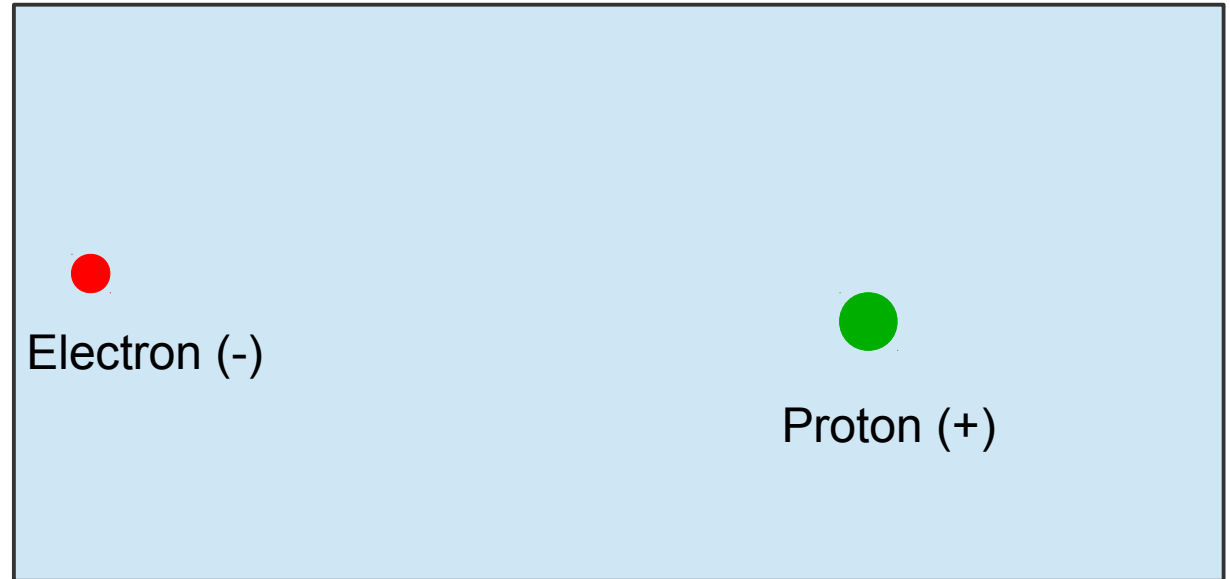


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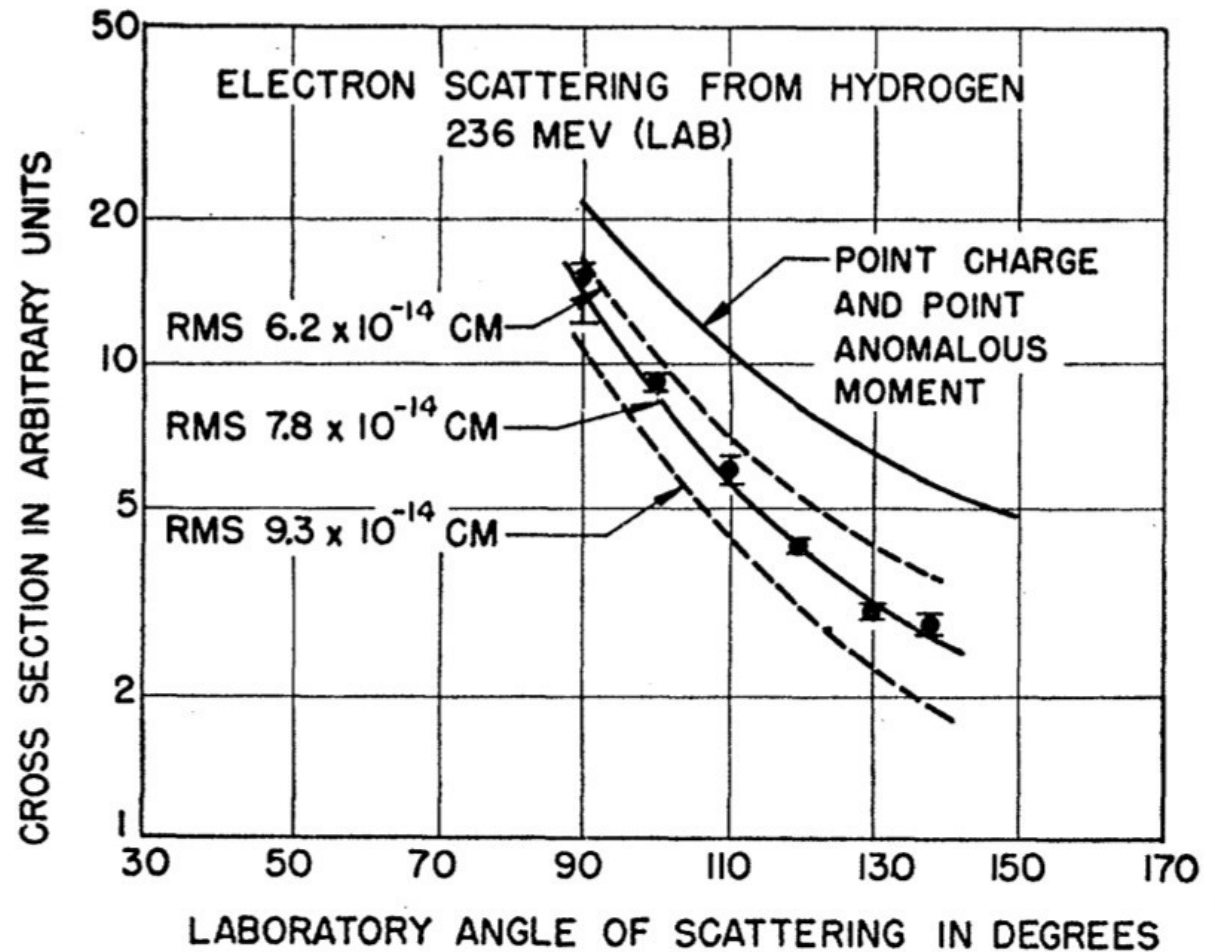
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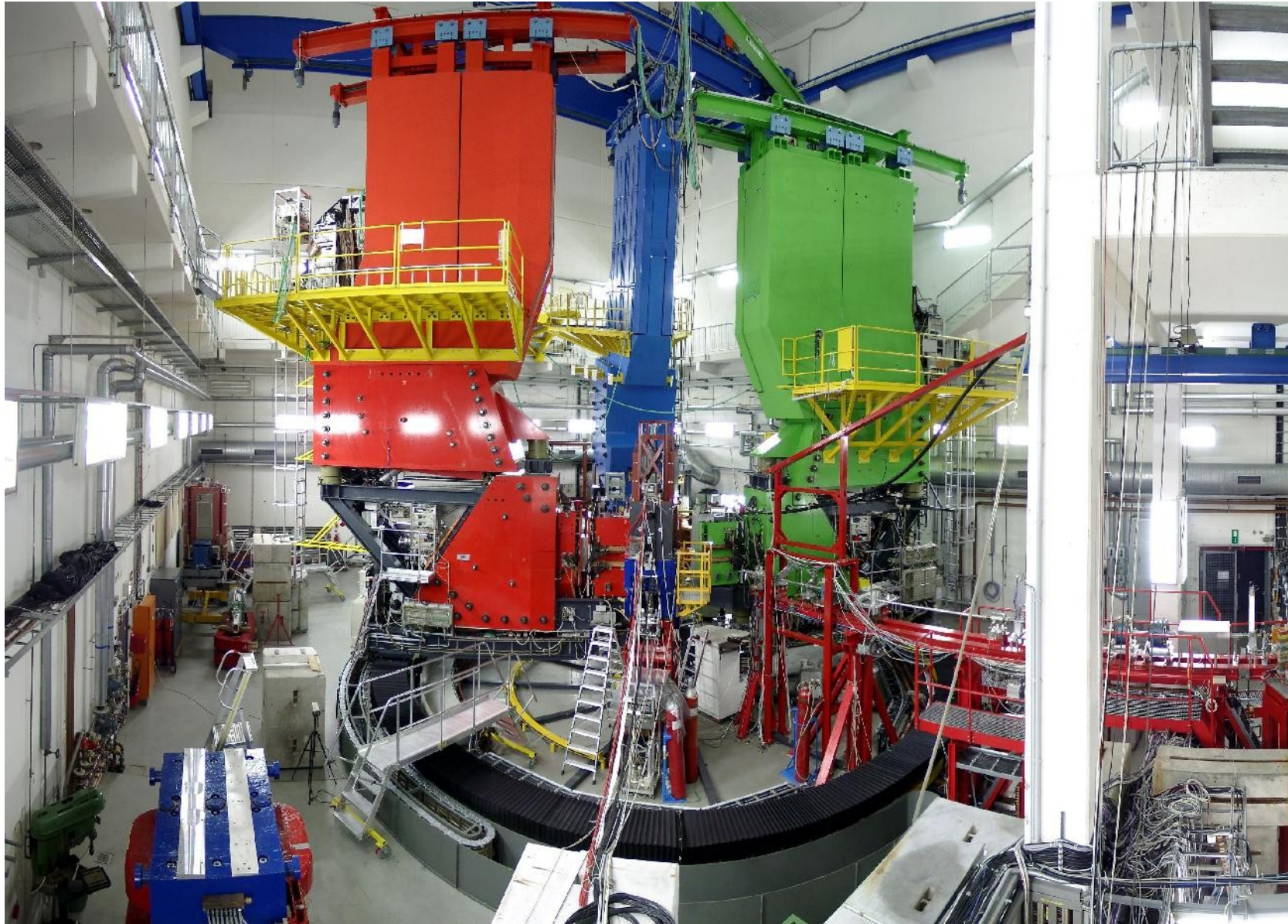


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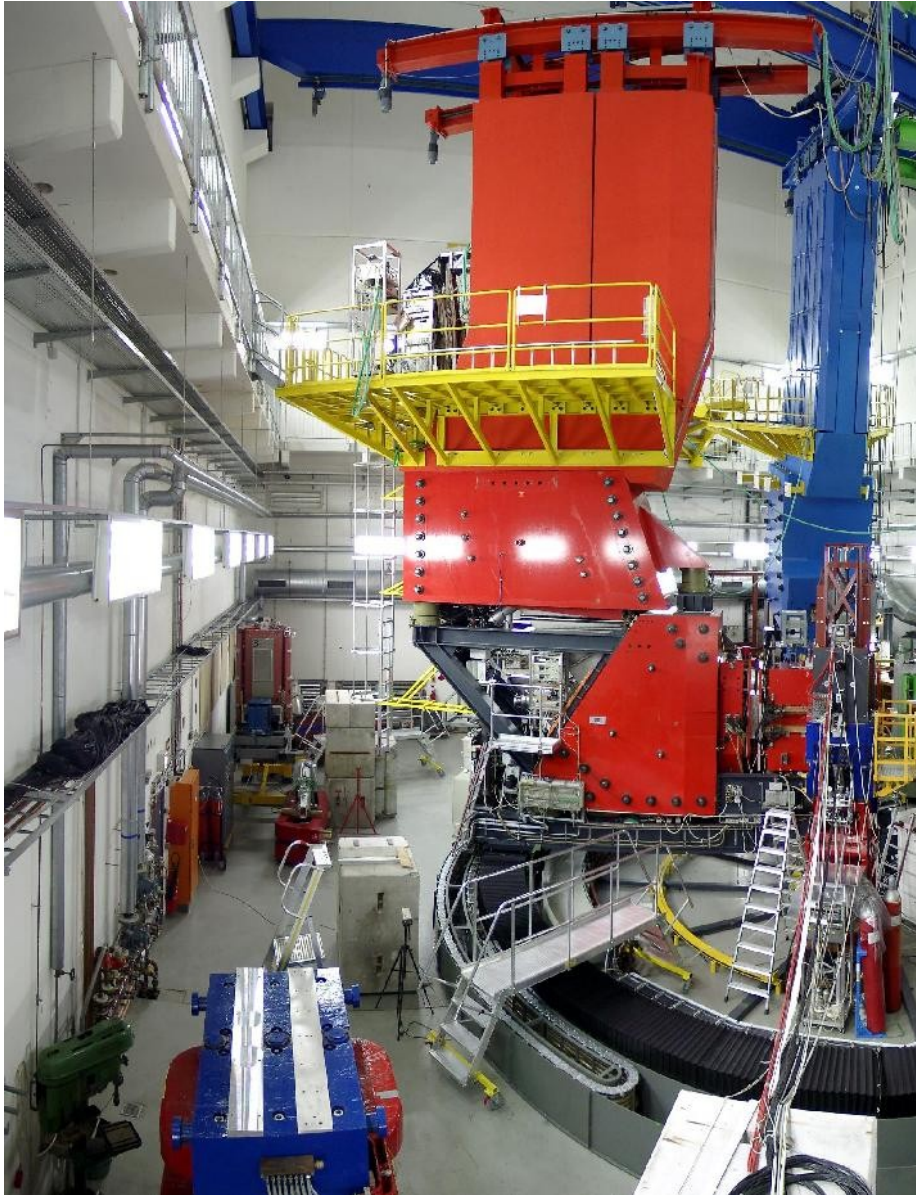


The Proton has a diameter of $0.7 \cdot 10^{-13}$ cm

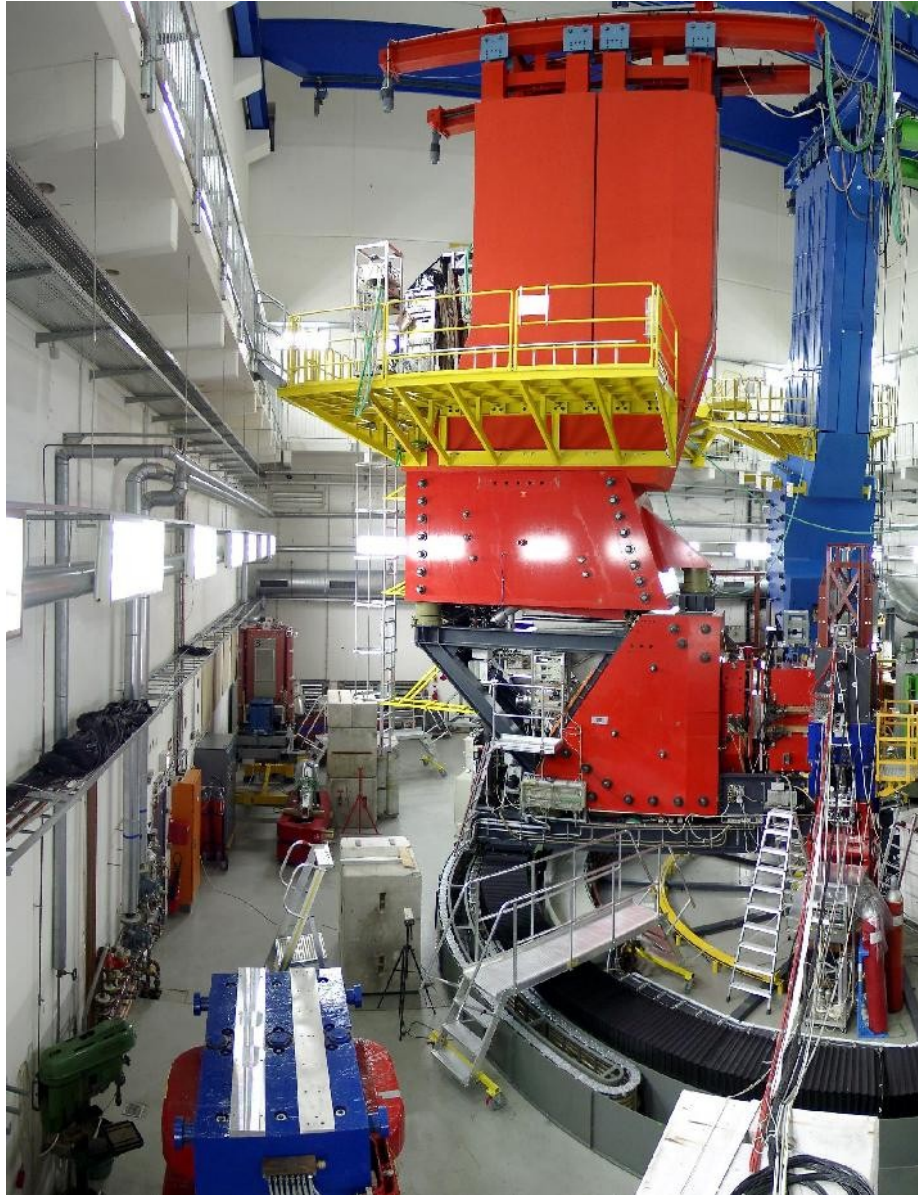
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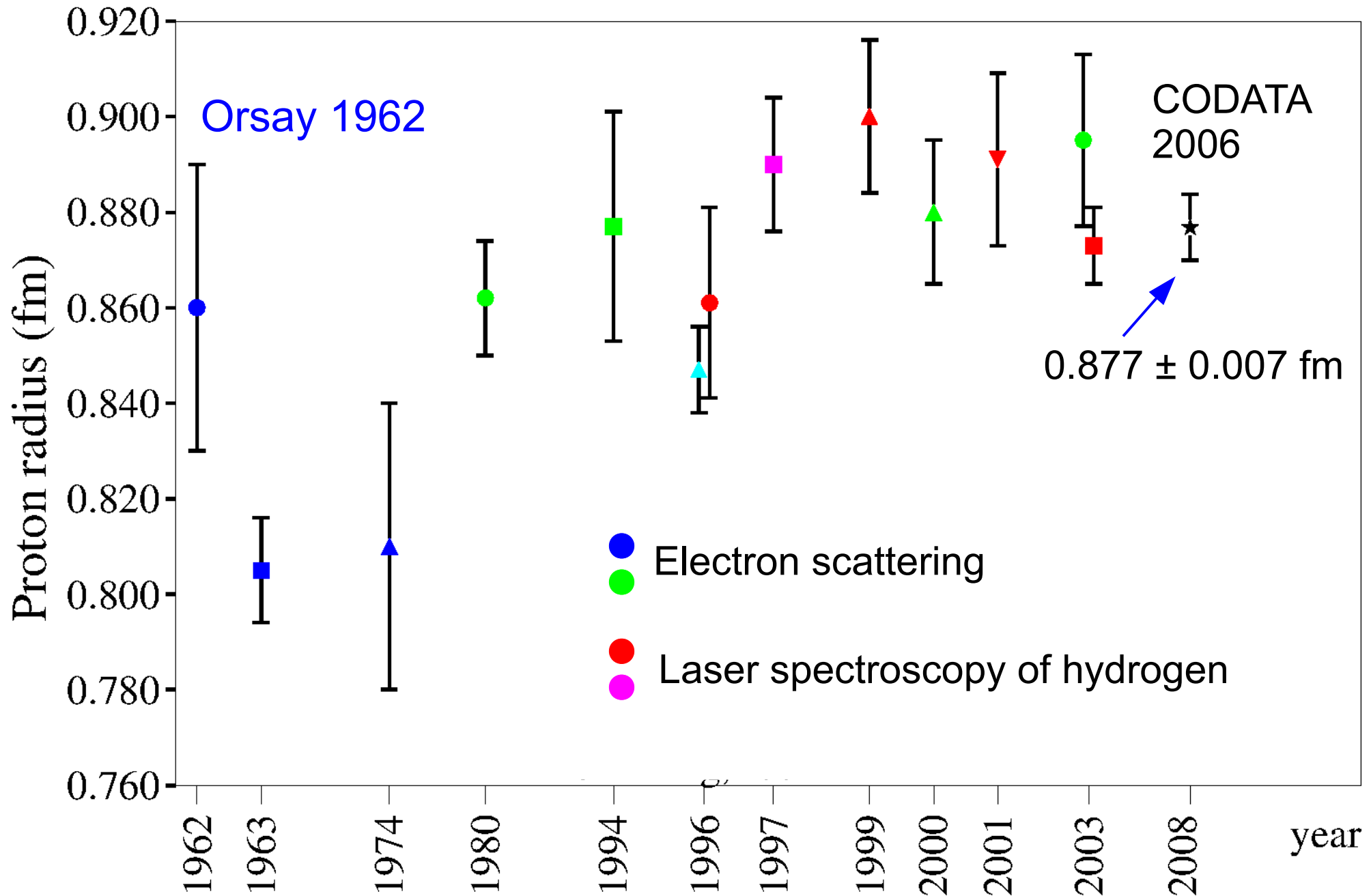
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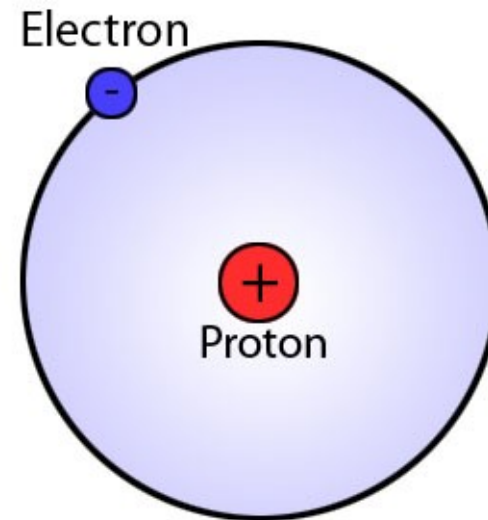


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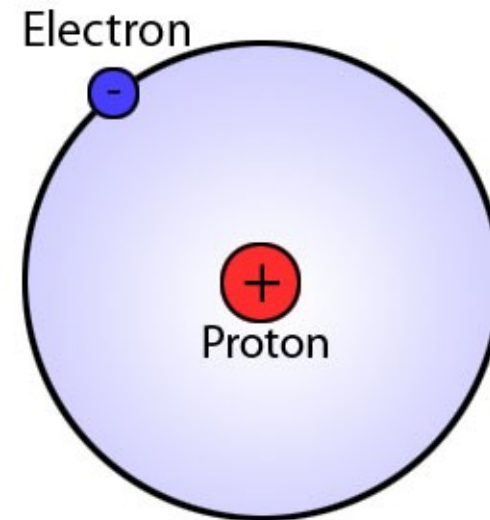
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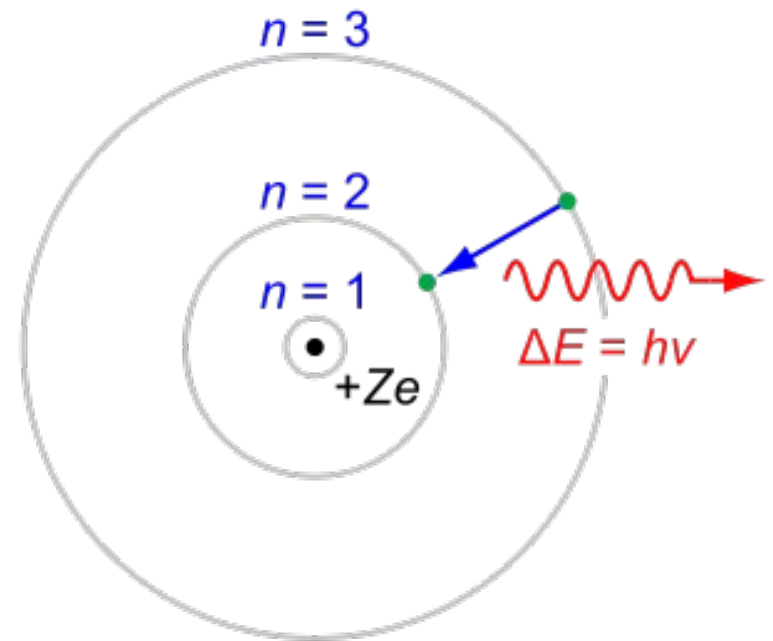


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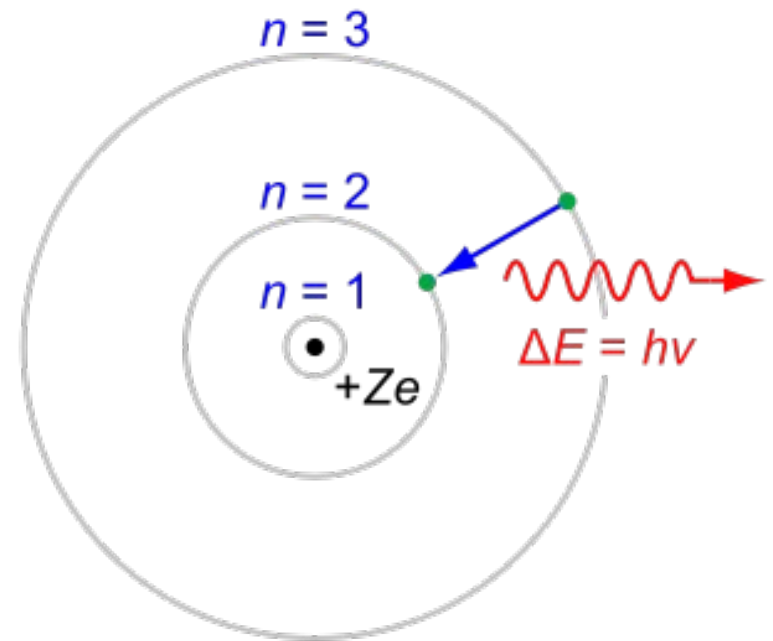


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- Discrete orbits
- “Quantum leaps”

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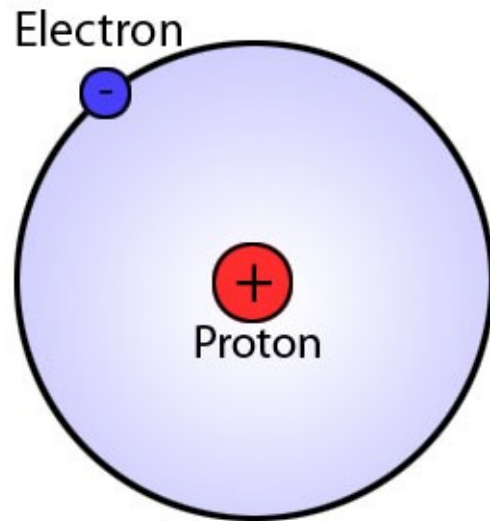


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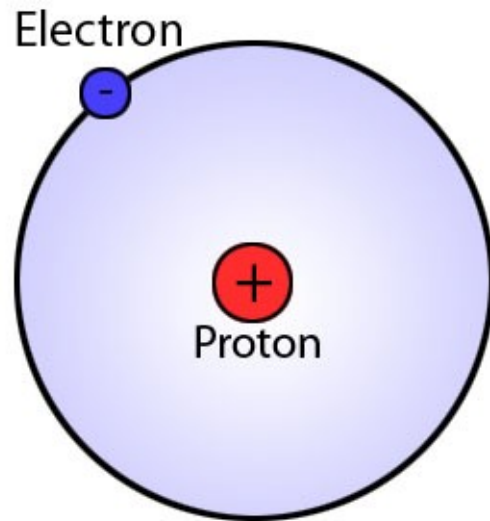
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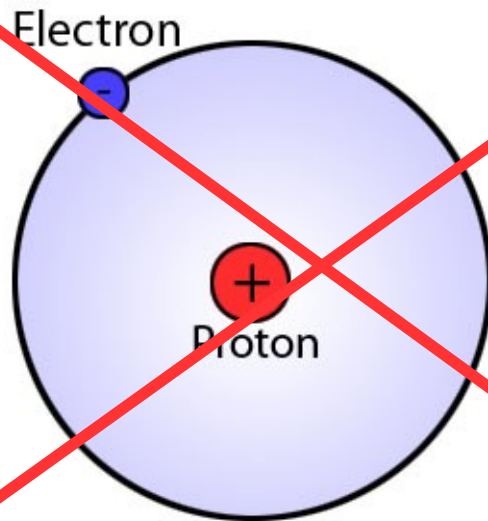
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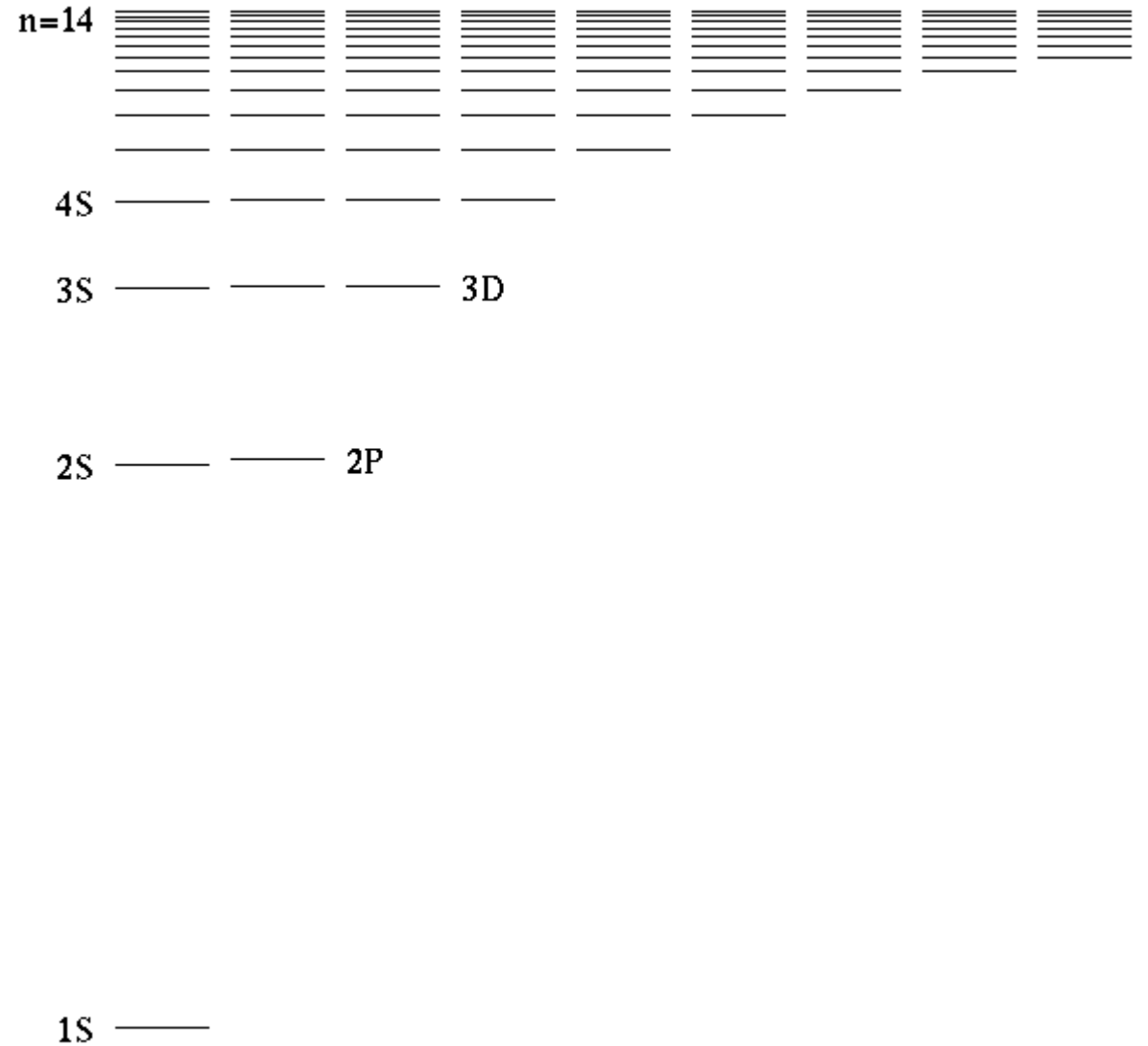
Atom is NO Planetary System.

→ **Quantum mechanics**

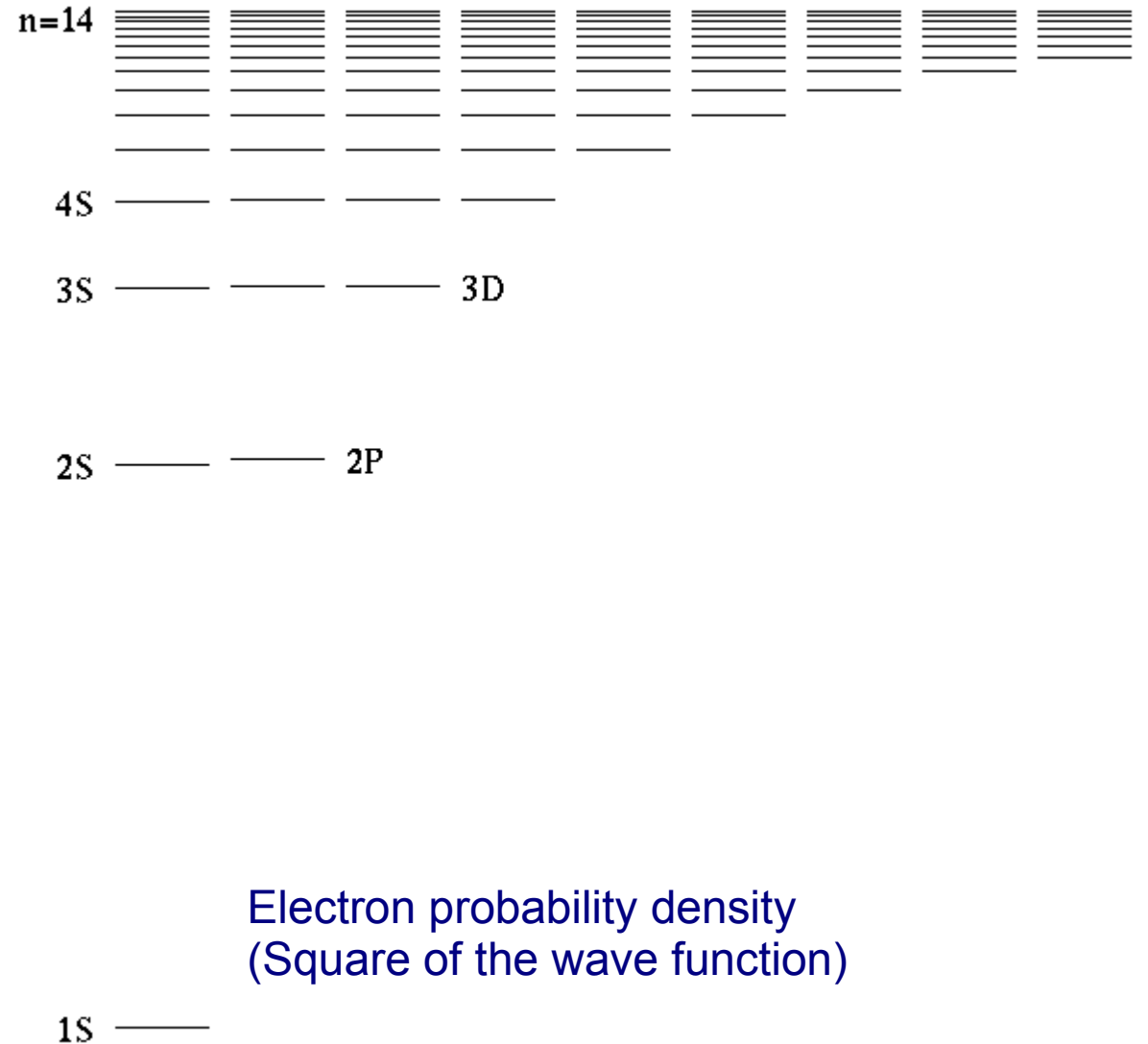
→ **Wave functions**

→ **Probabilities**

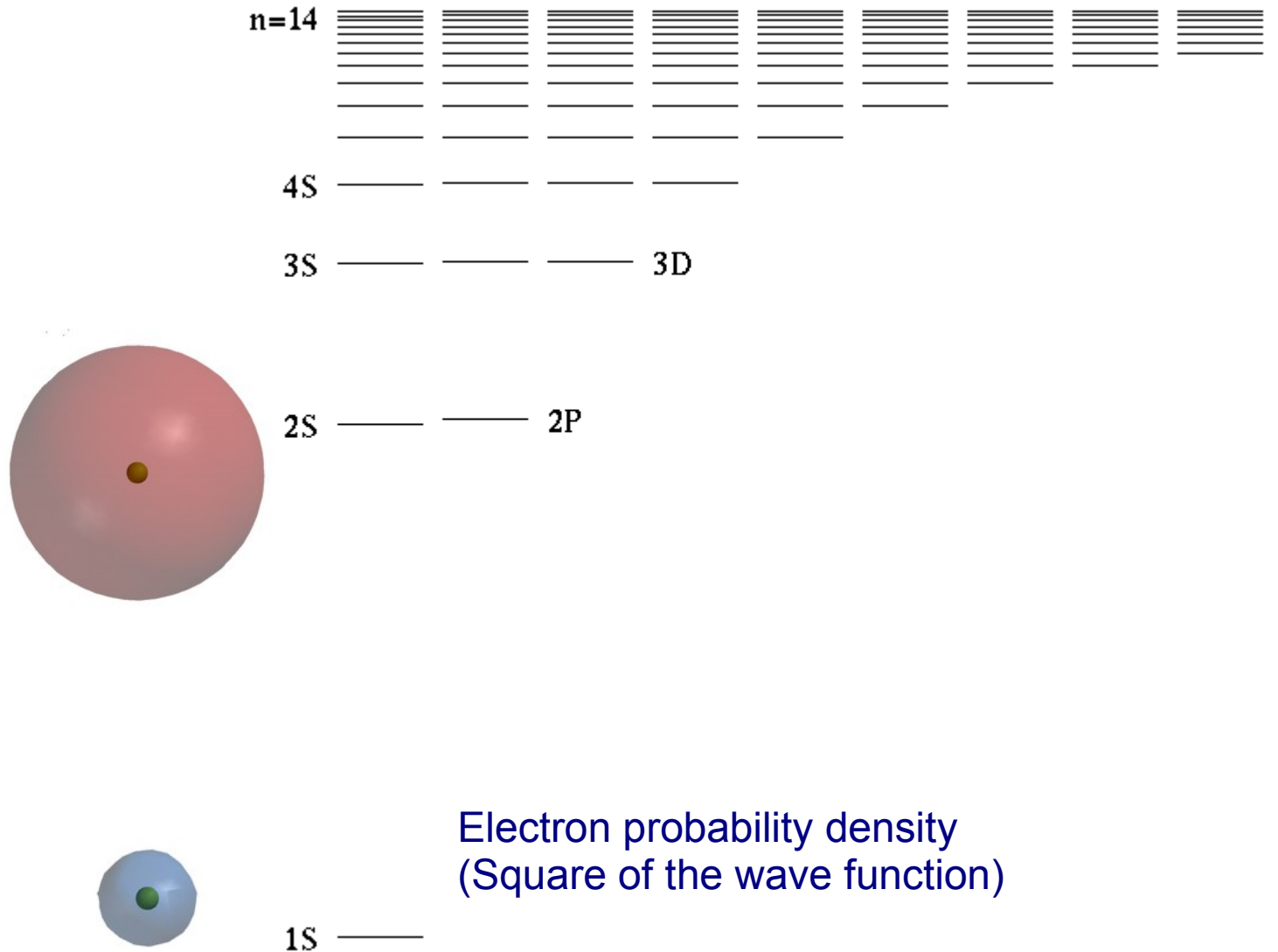
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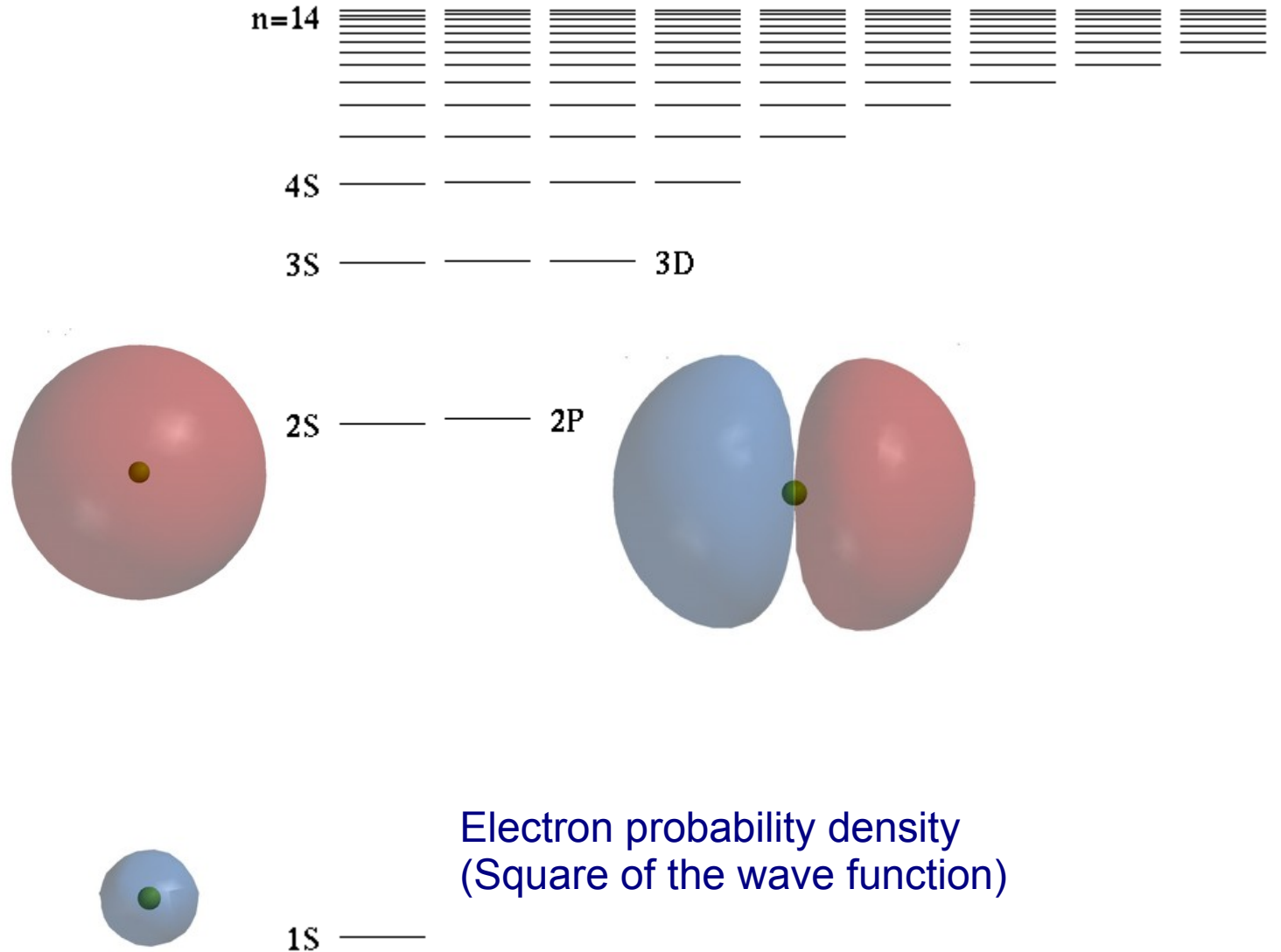
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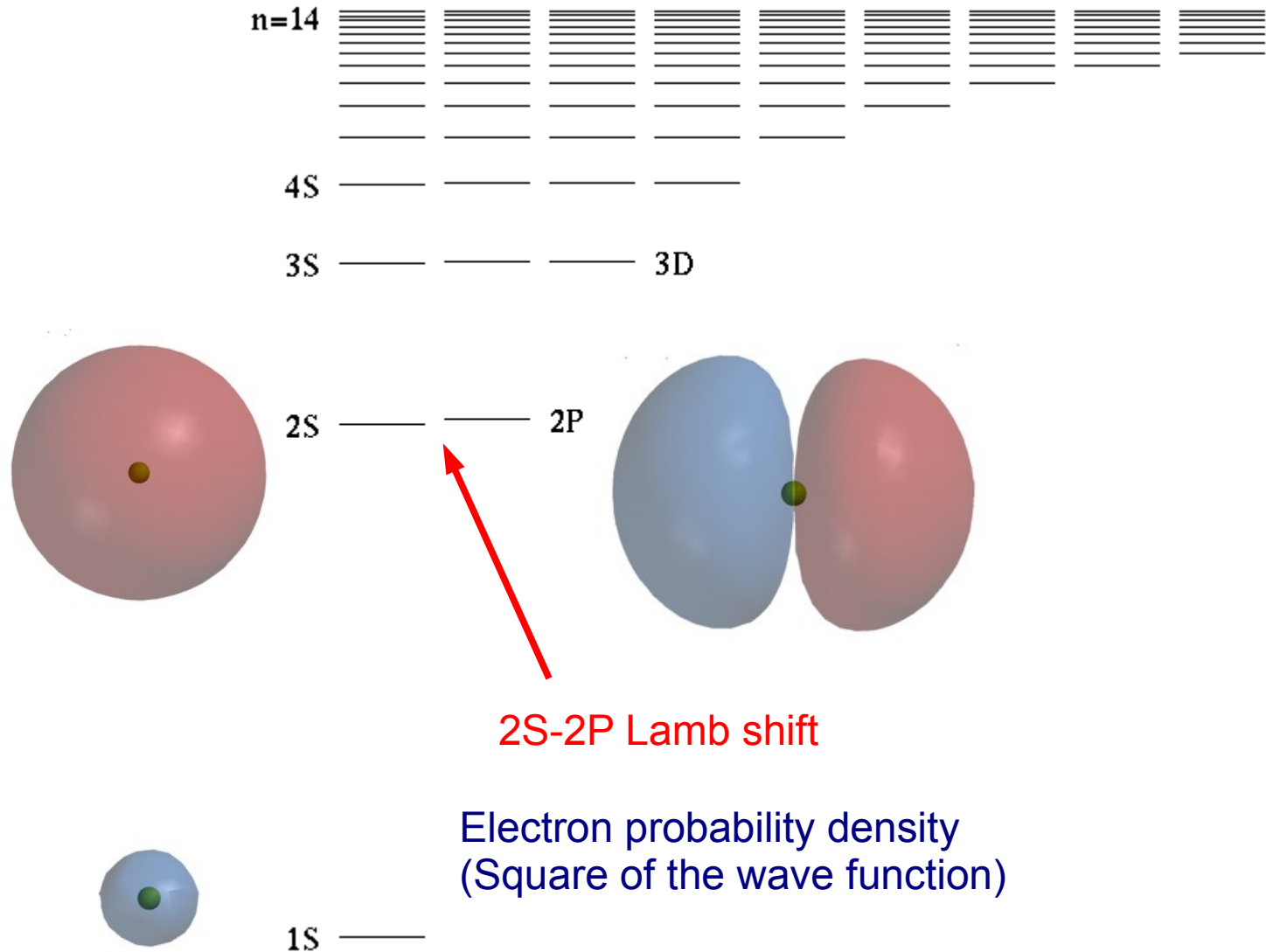
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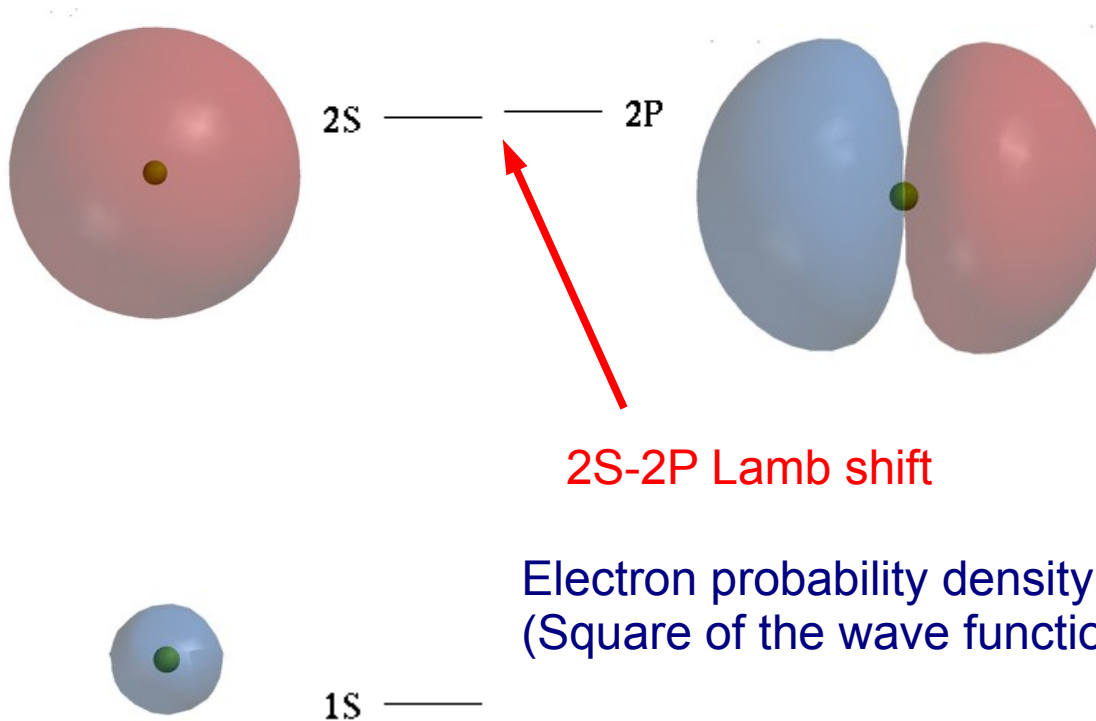
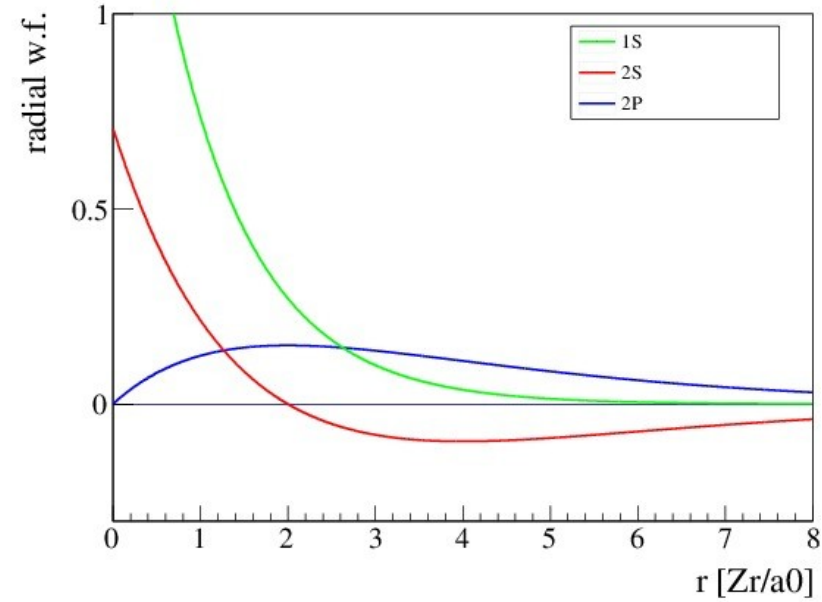
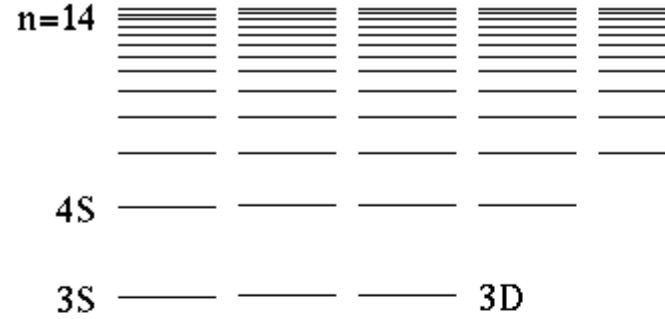
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2S-2P Lamb shift

Electron probability density
(Square of the wave function)

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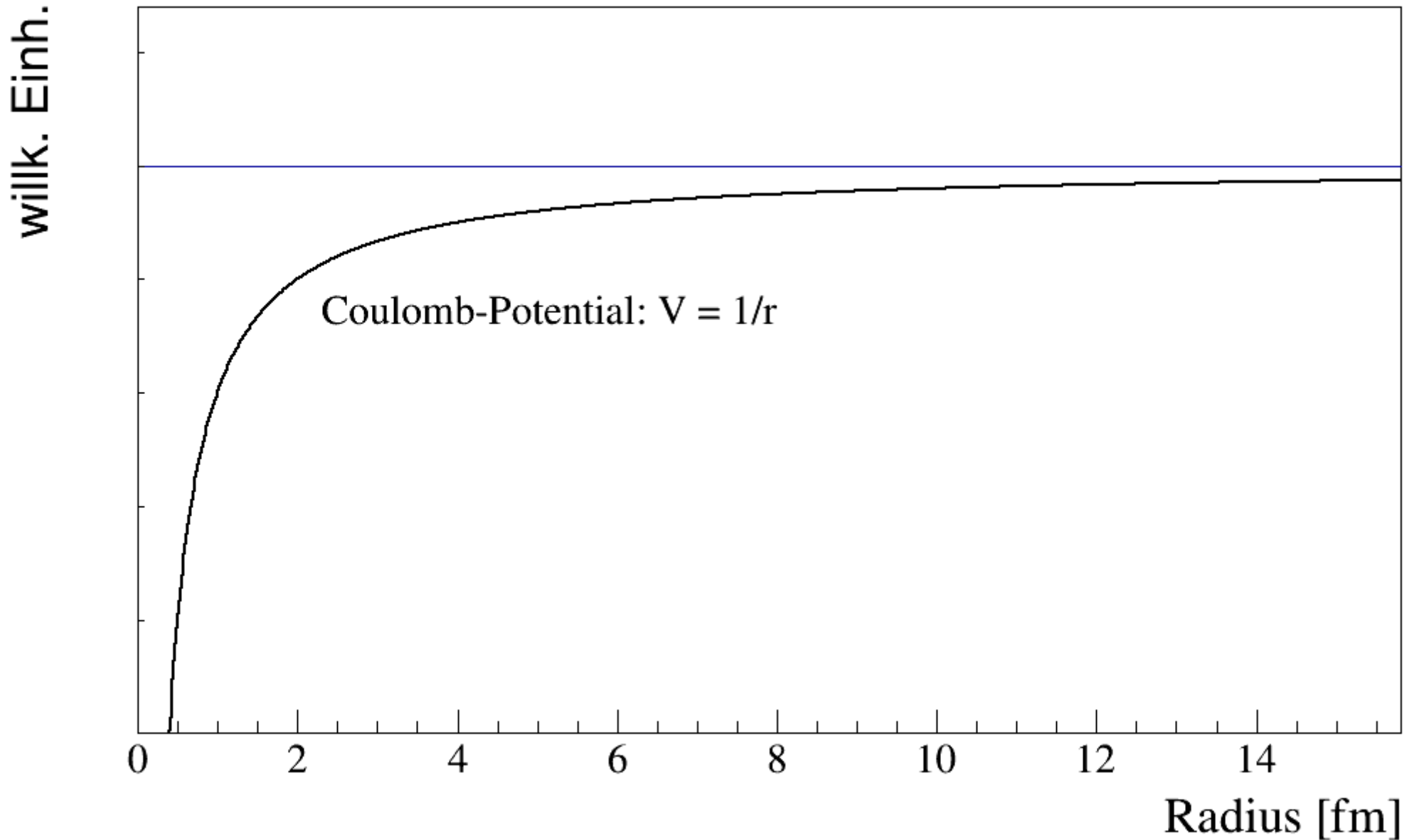
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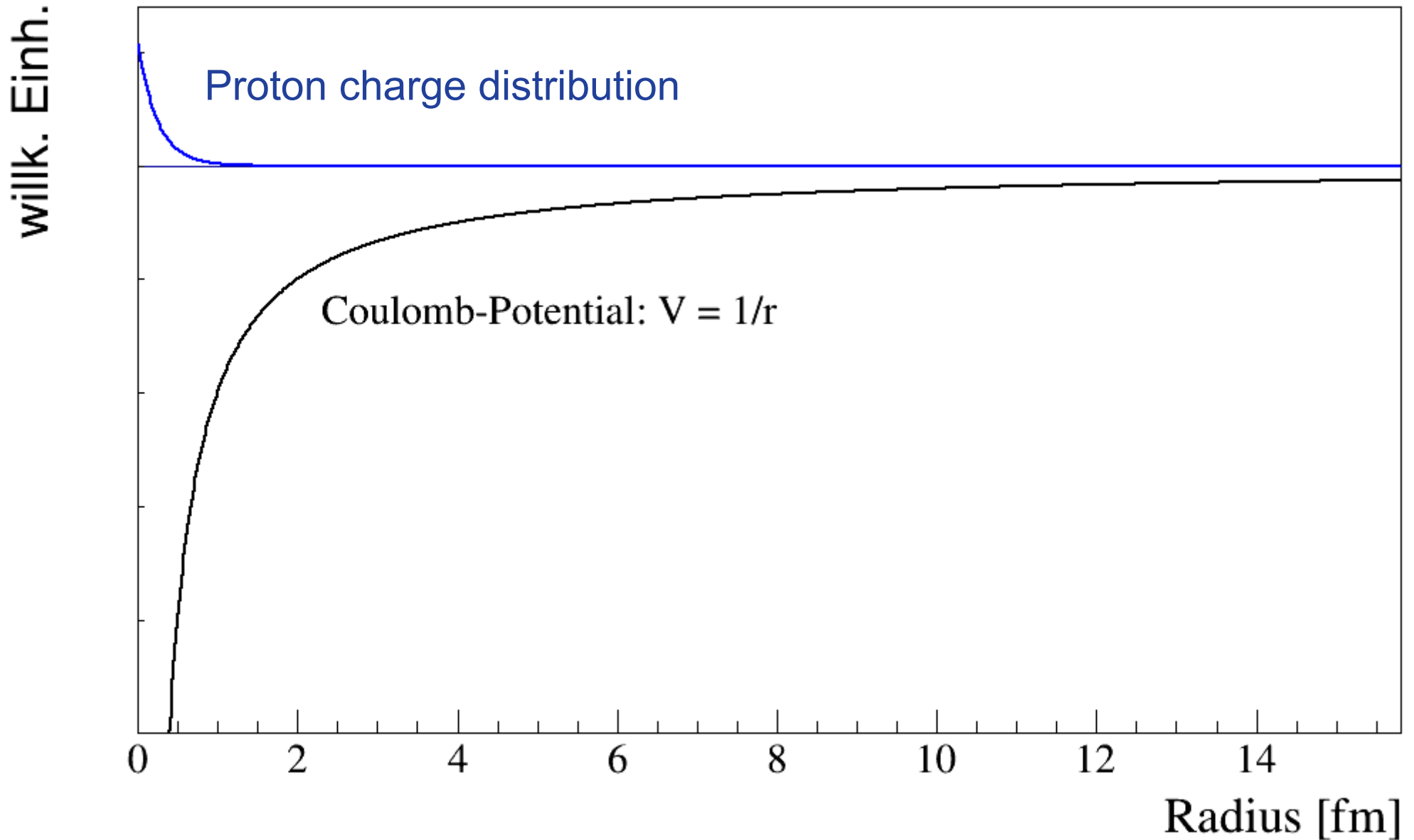
→ Development of

Quantum electrodynamics(QED)

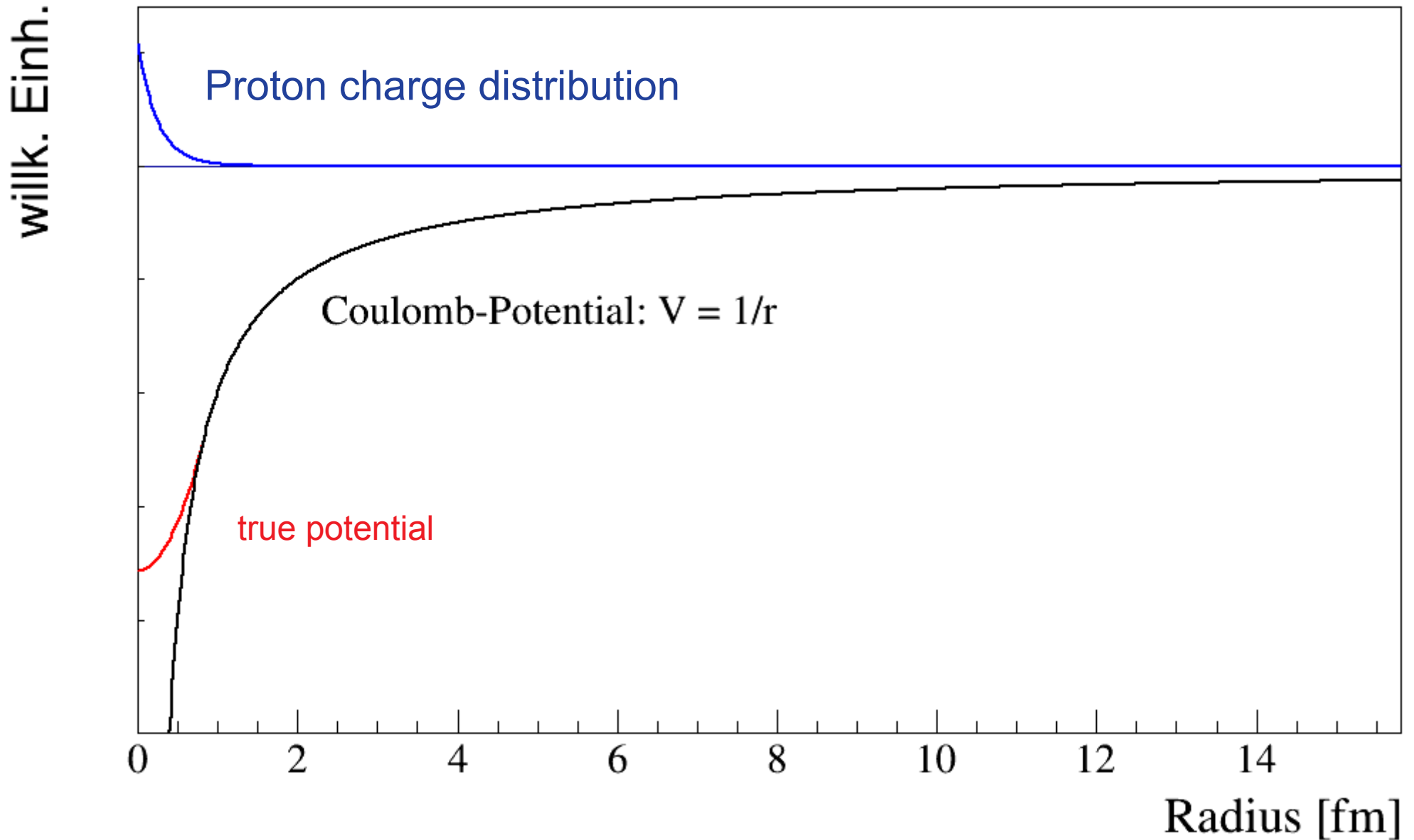
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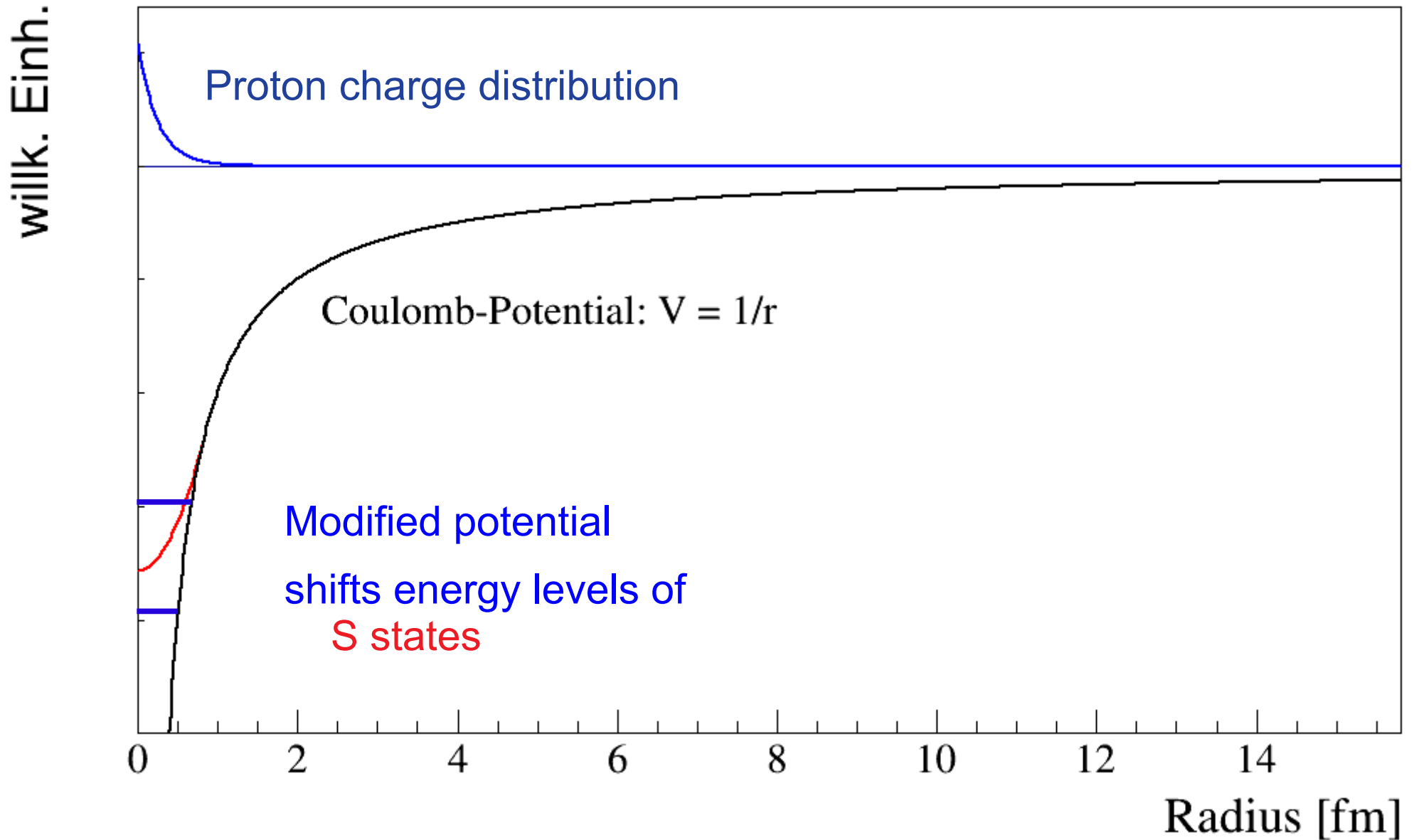
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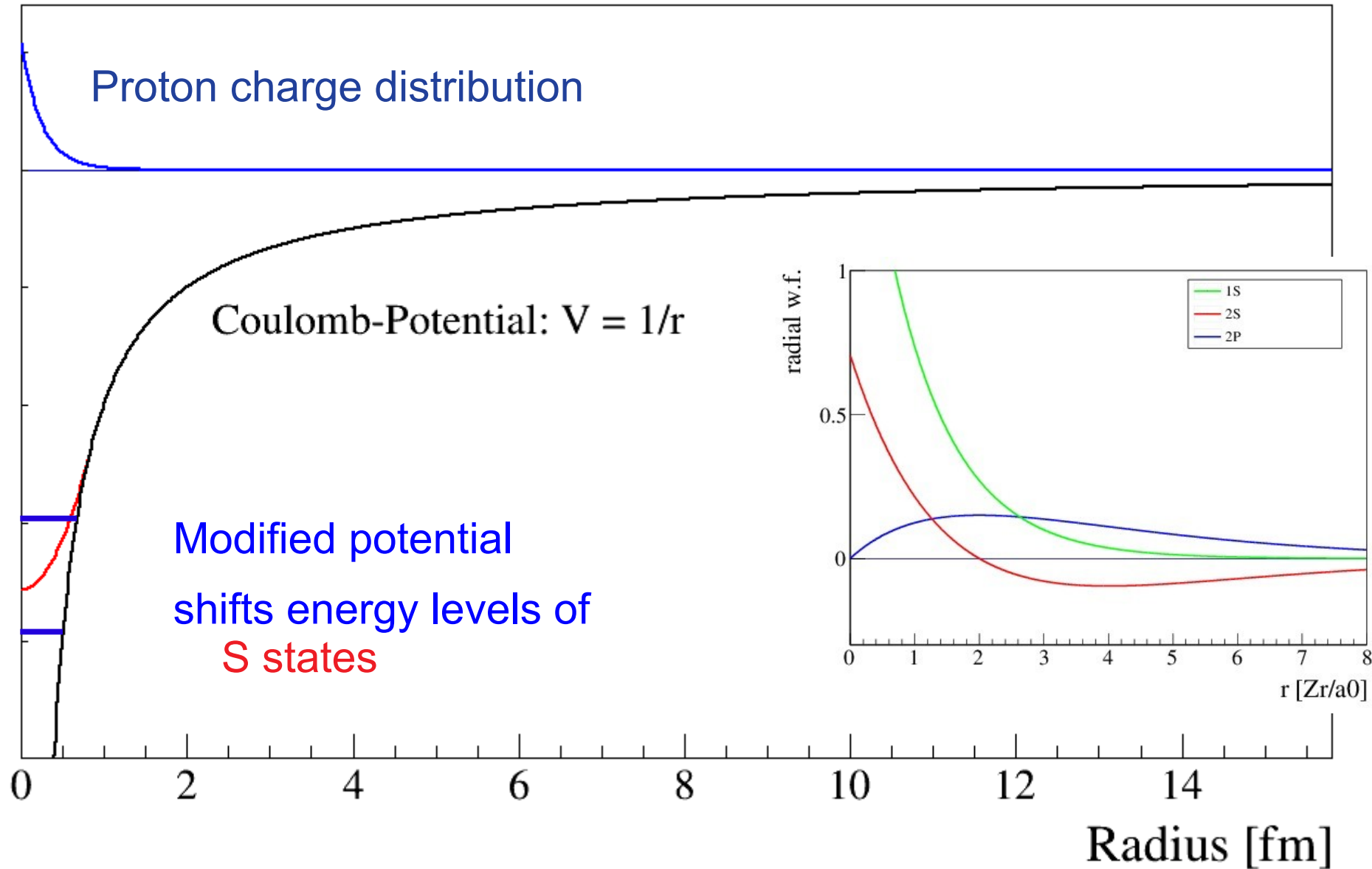


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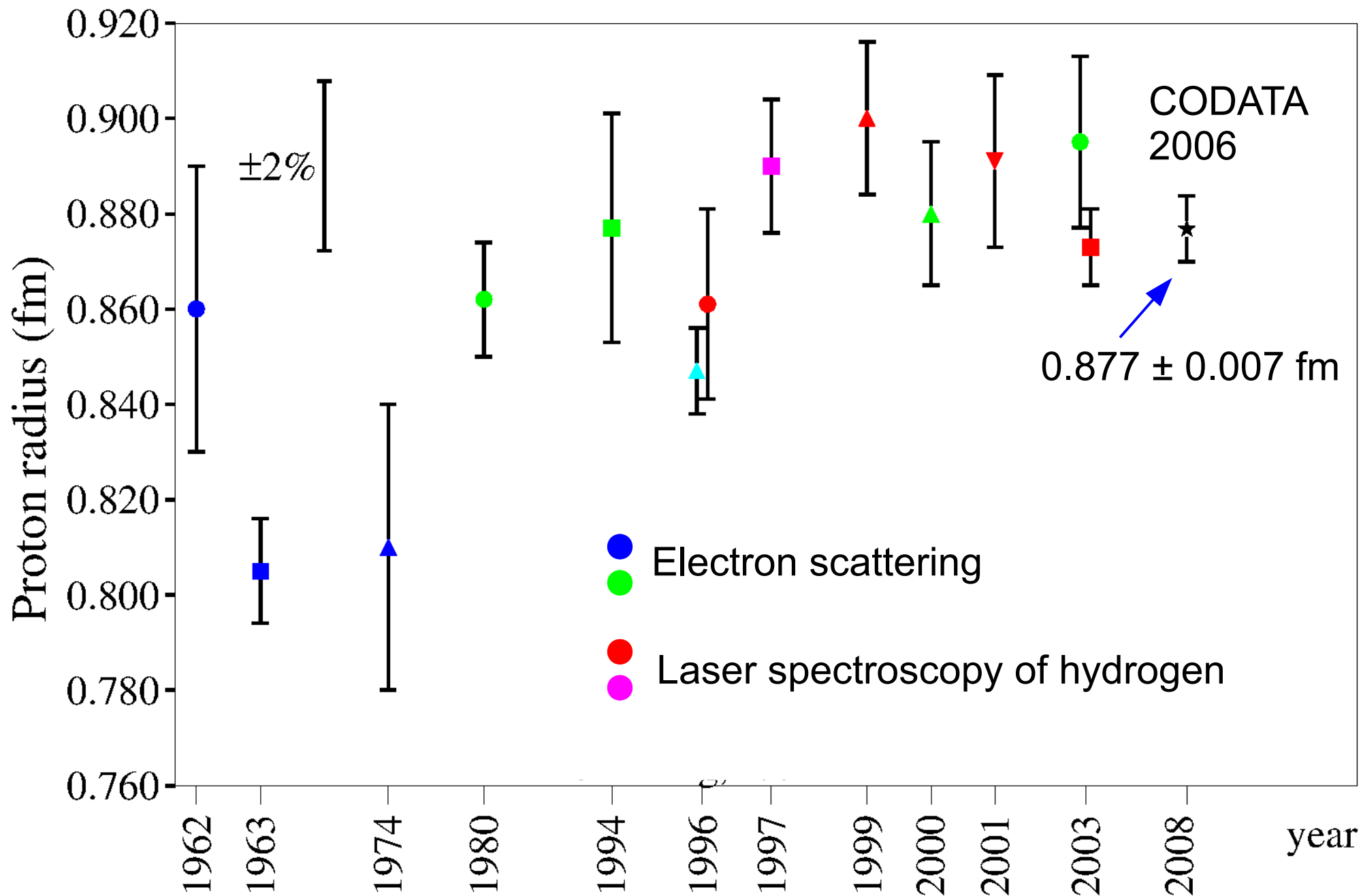


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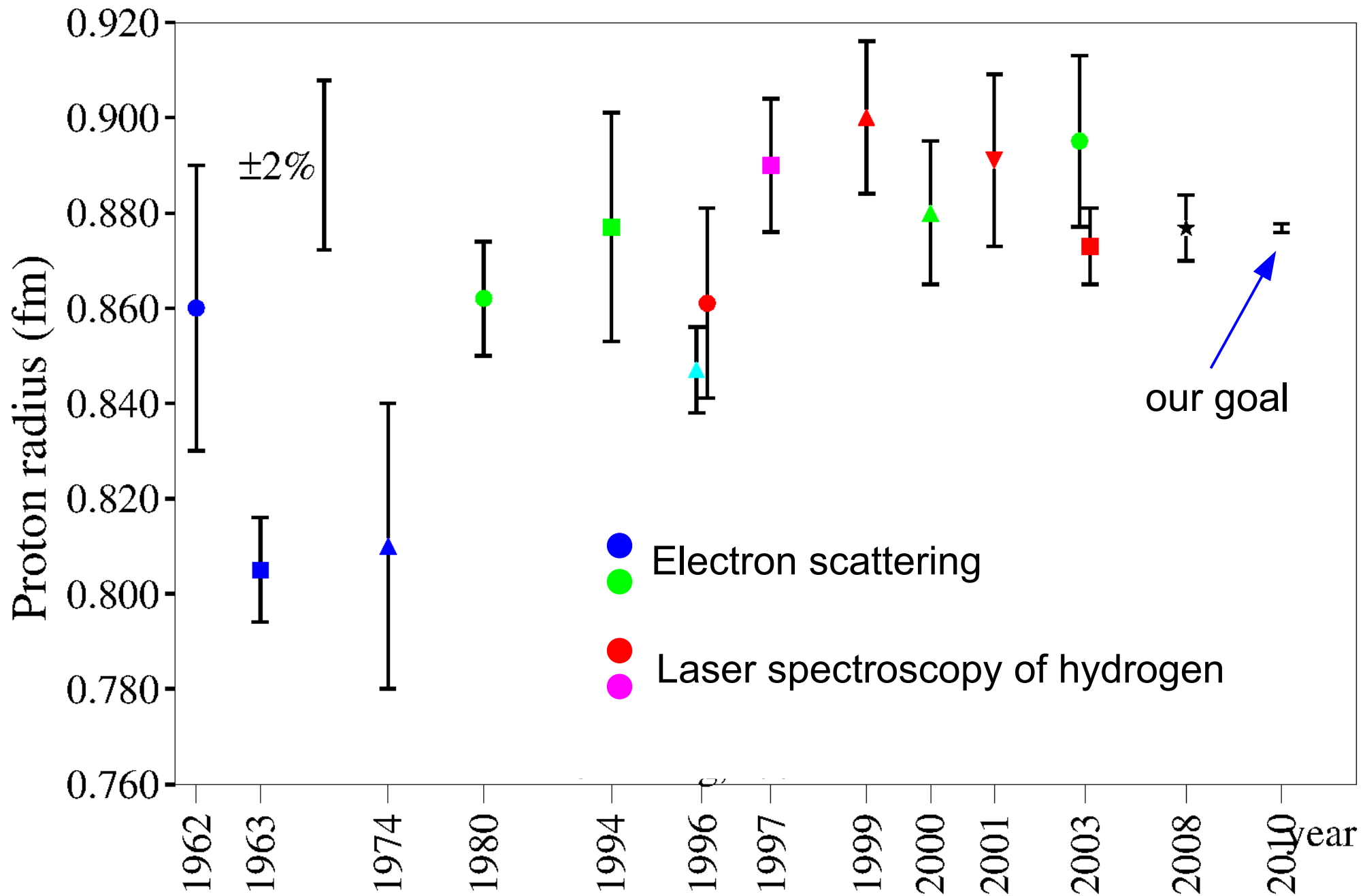
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Proposal for an experiment at PSI

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Proposal 1998:

Measure the

Lamb shift

in

muonic hydrogen

Goal:

10 time more precise

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A proton, orbited by a **negative muon**.

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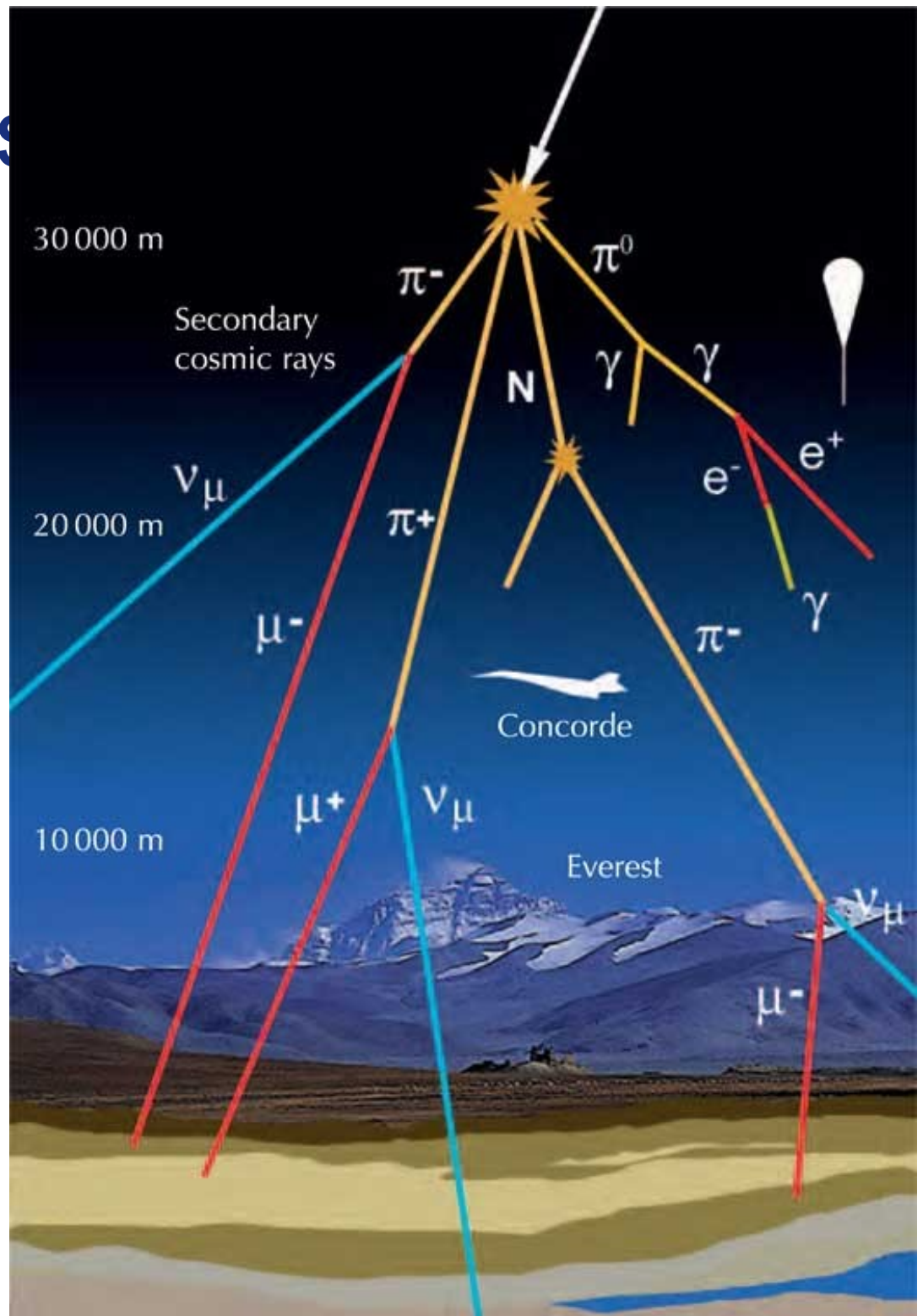


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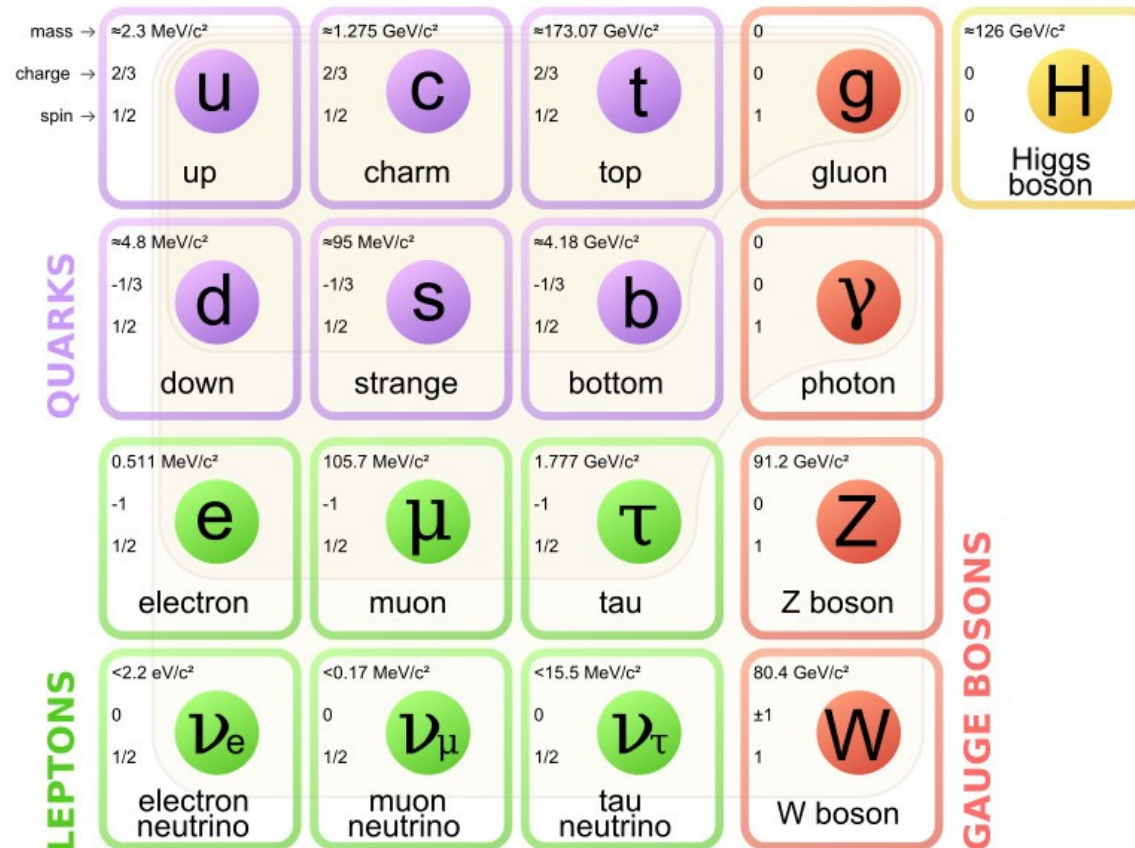
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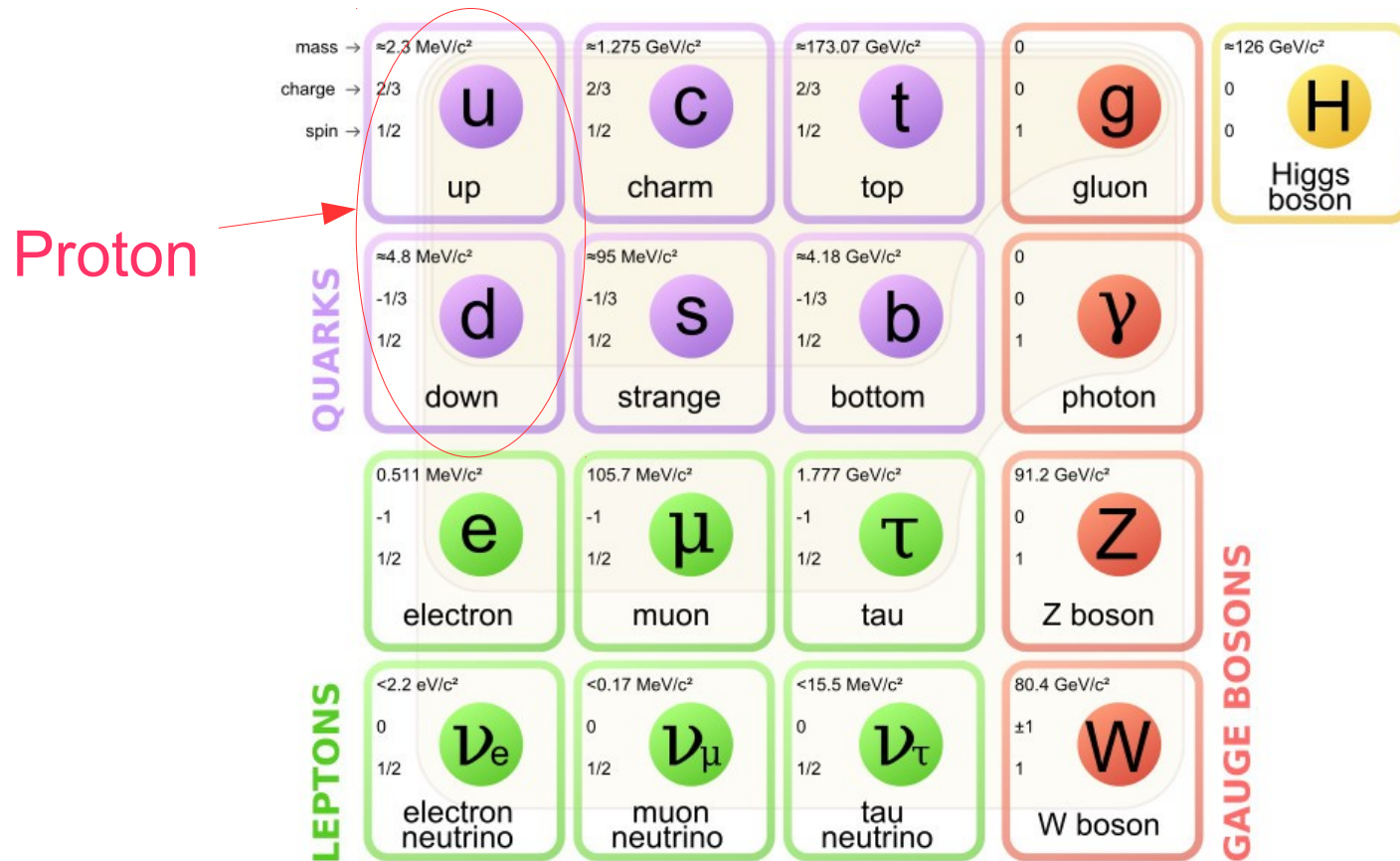
The muon and its place in the world

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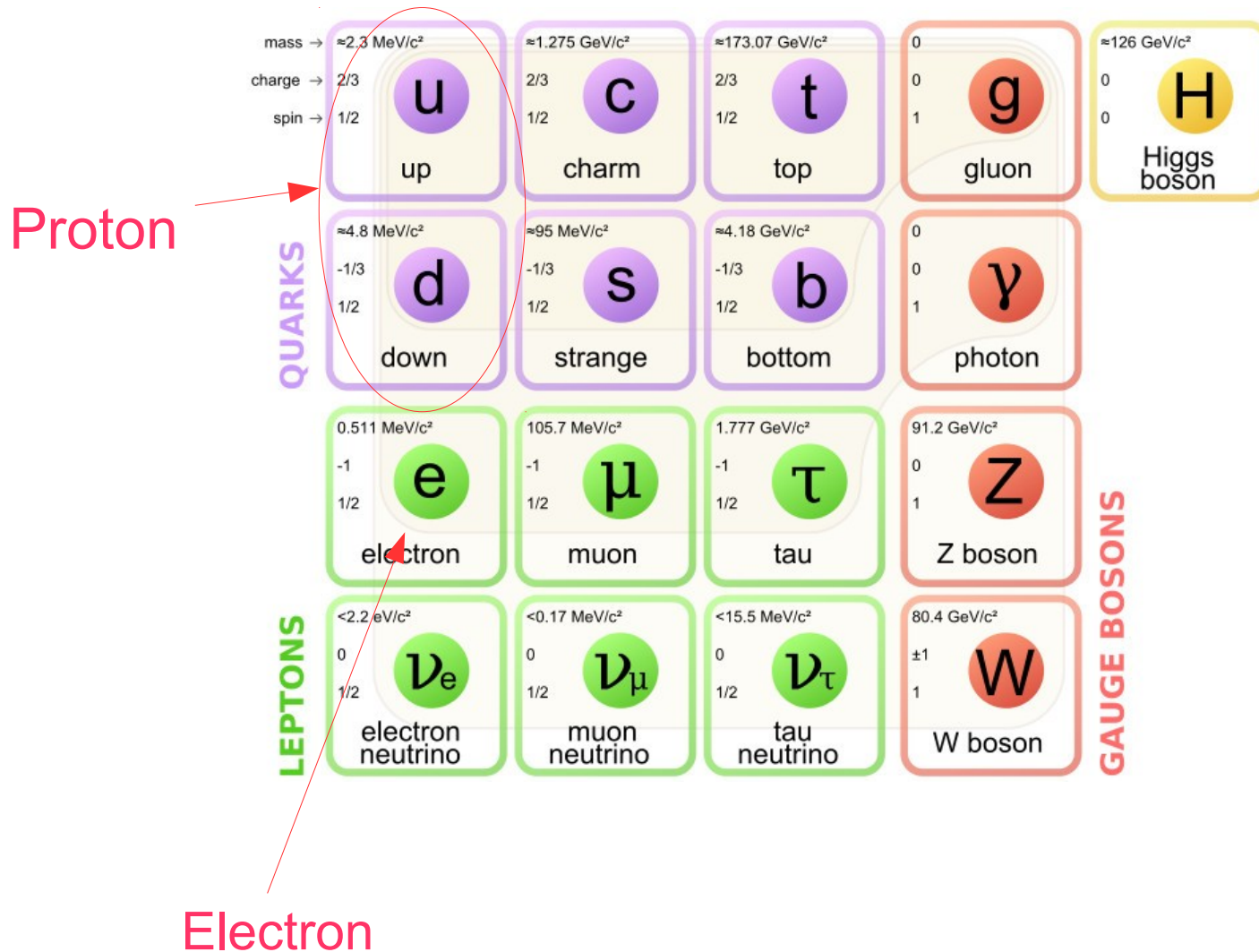
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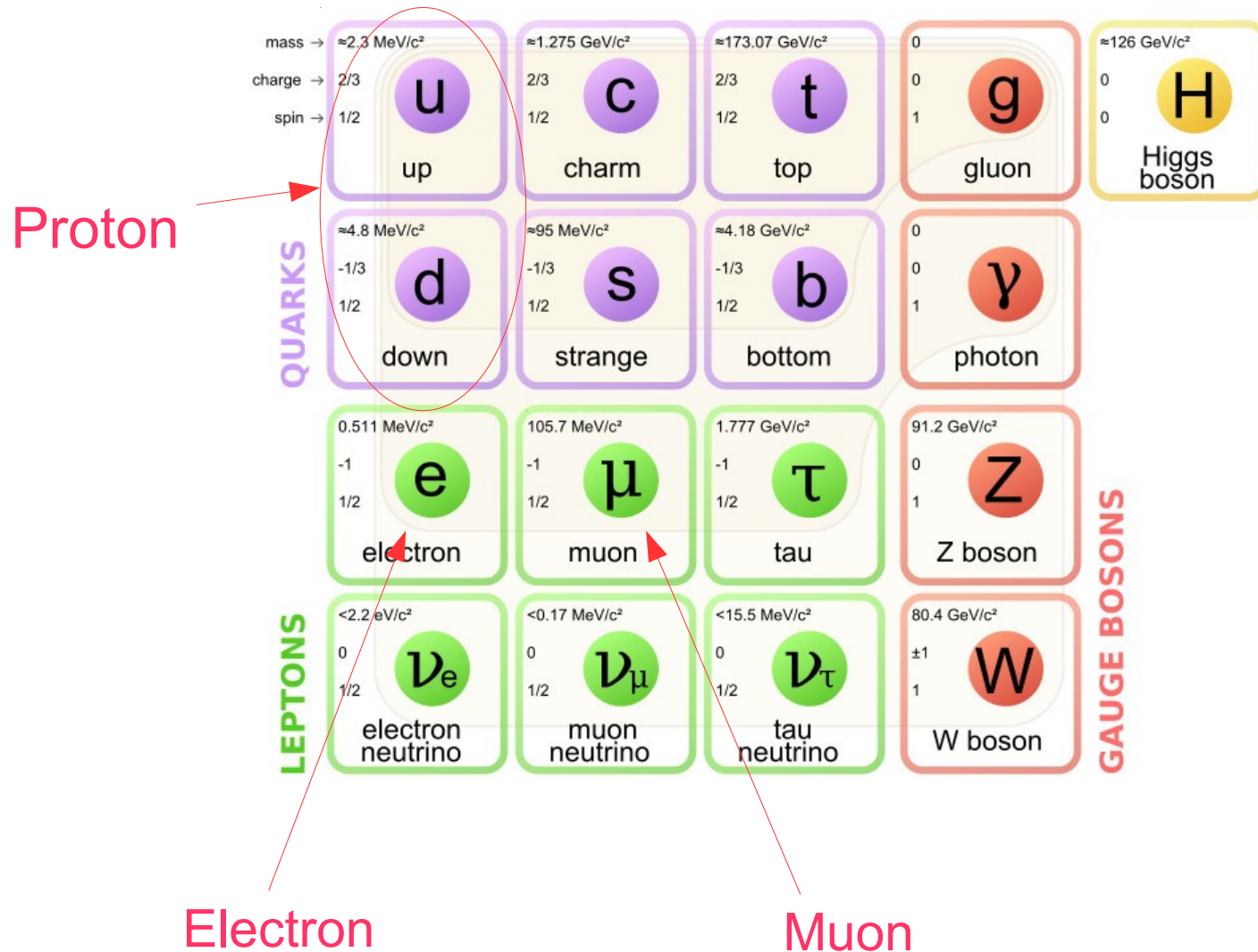
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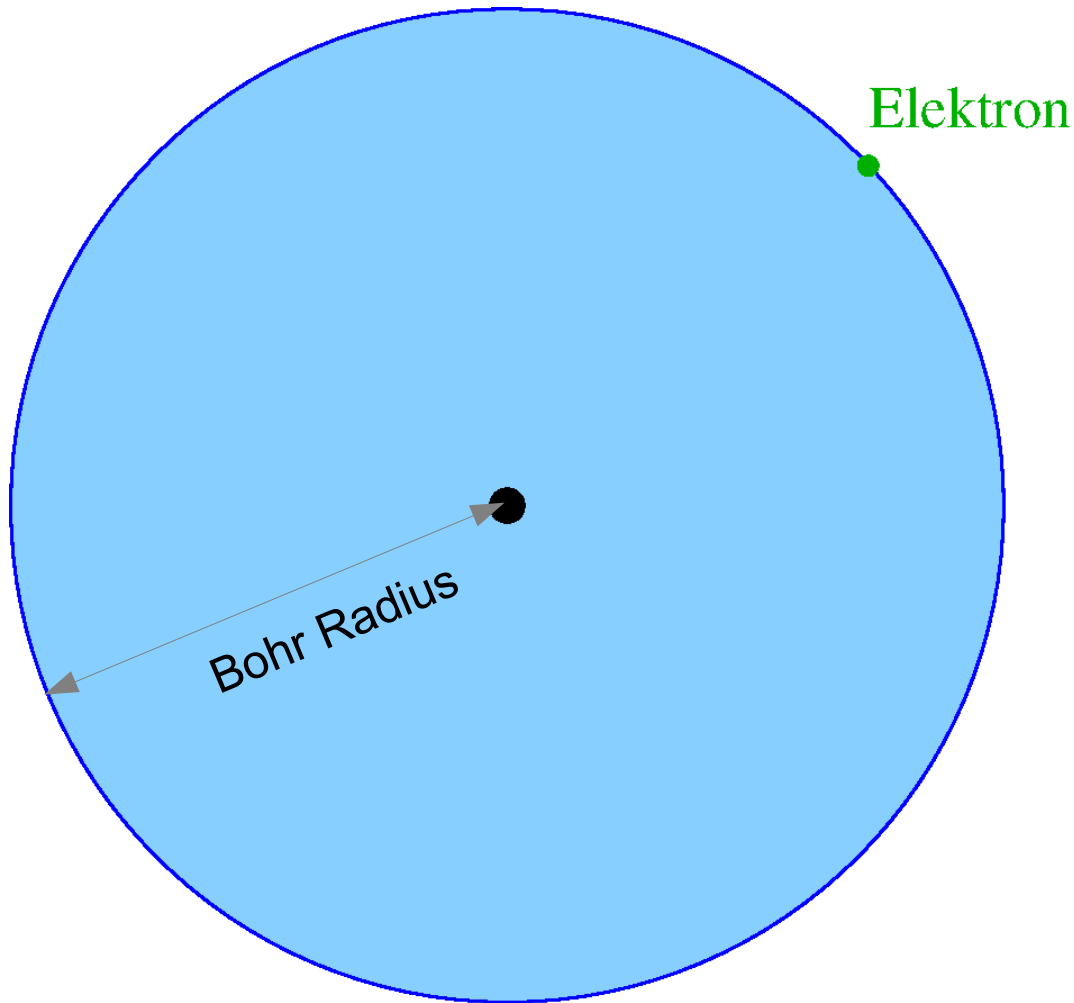
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Normal and muonic hydrogen

normal hydrogen:

Proton + Electron



muonic hydrogen:

Proton + Muon

Mass = **200** * Electron mass

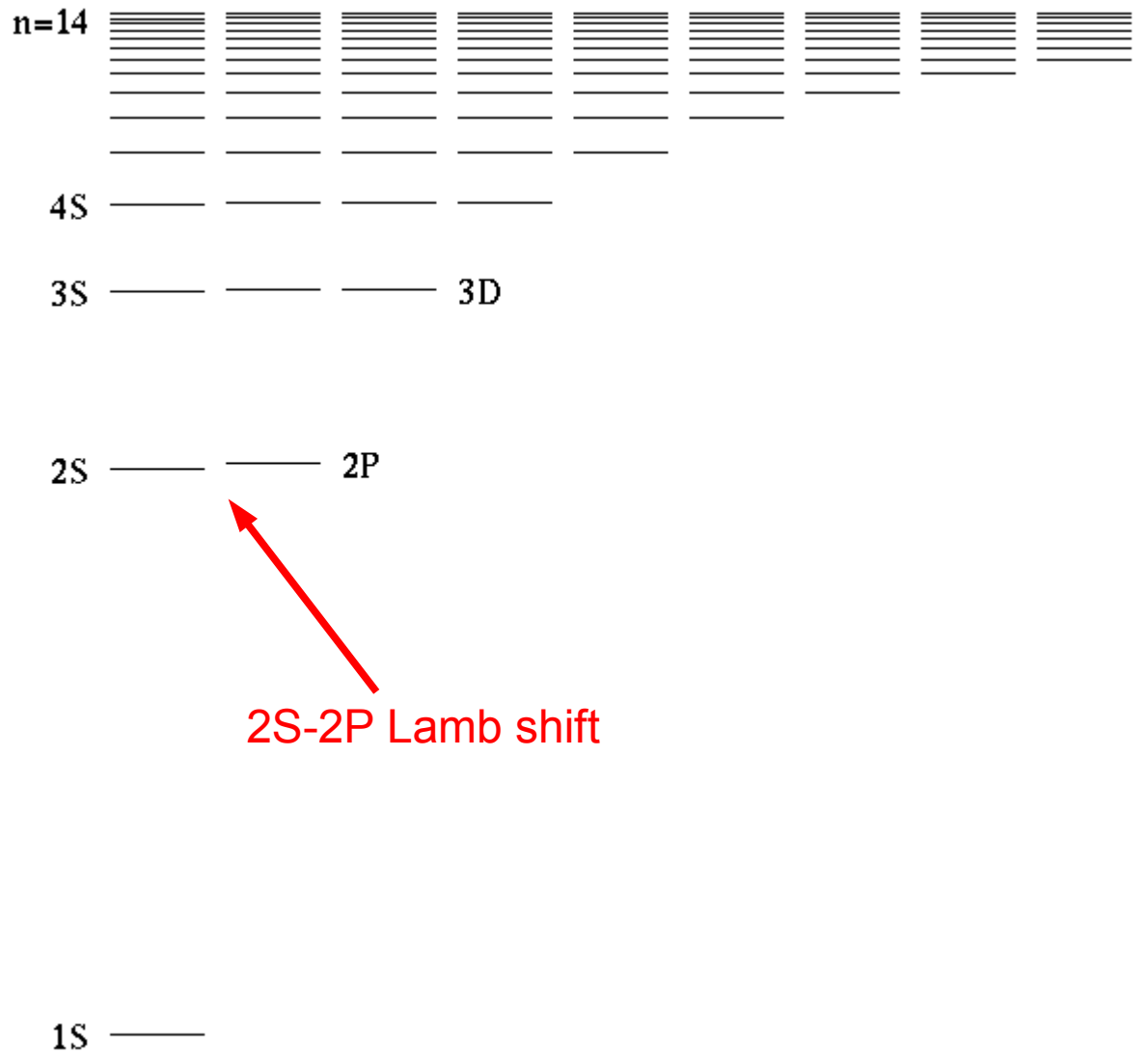
Bohr Radius = **1/200** of hydrogen

200³ = 10 Million
times more sensitive

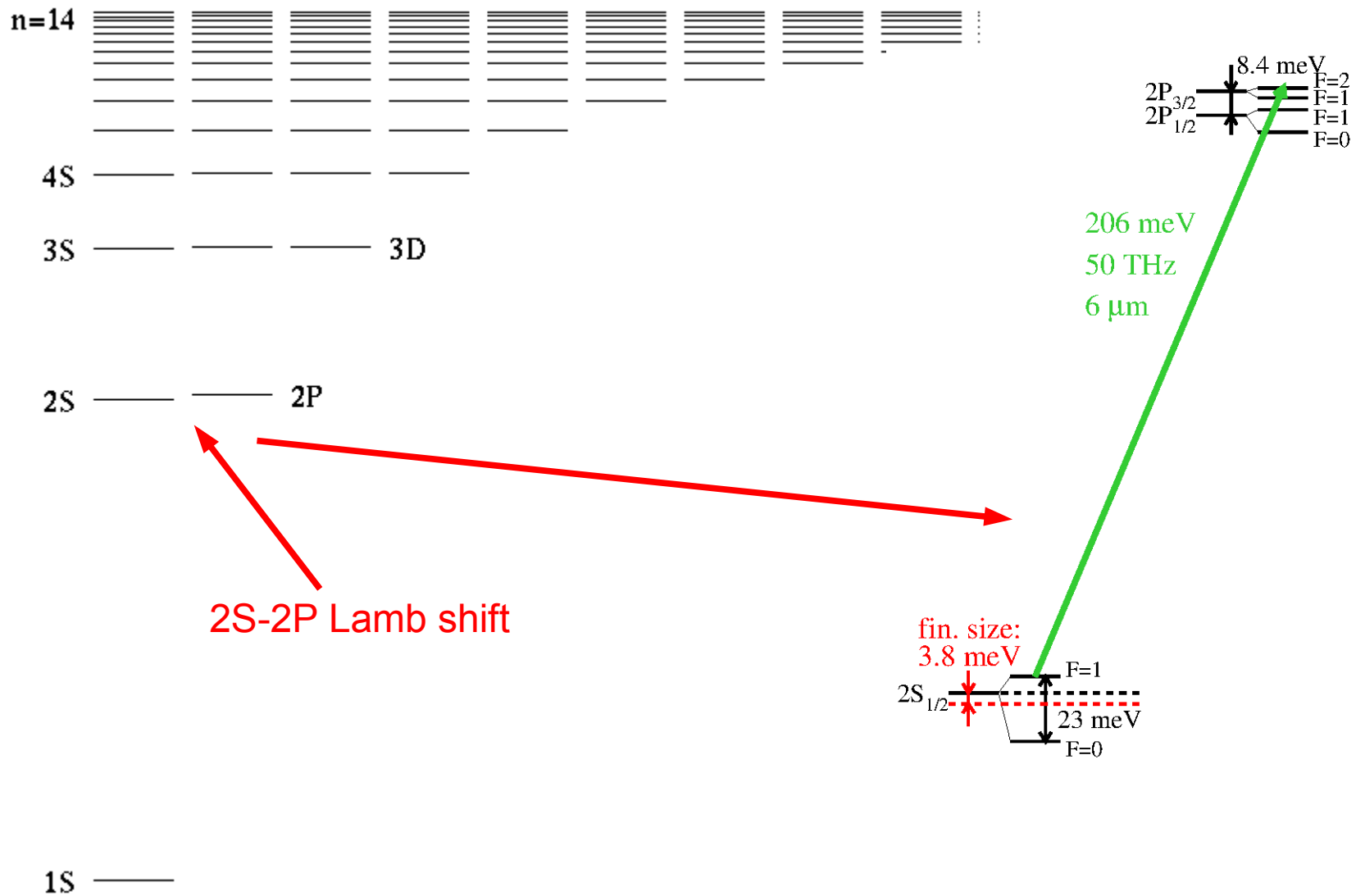
To the size of the proton



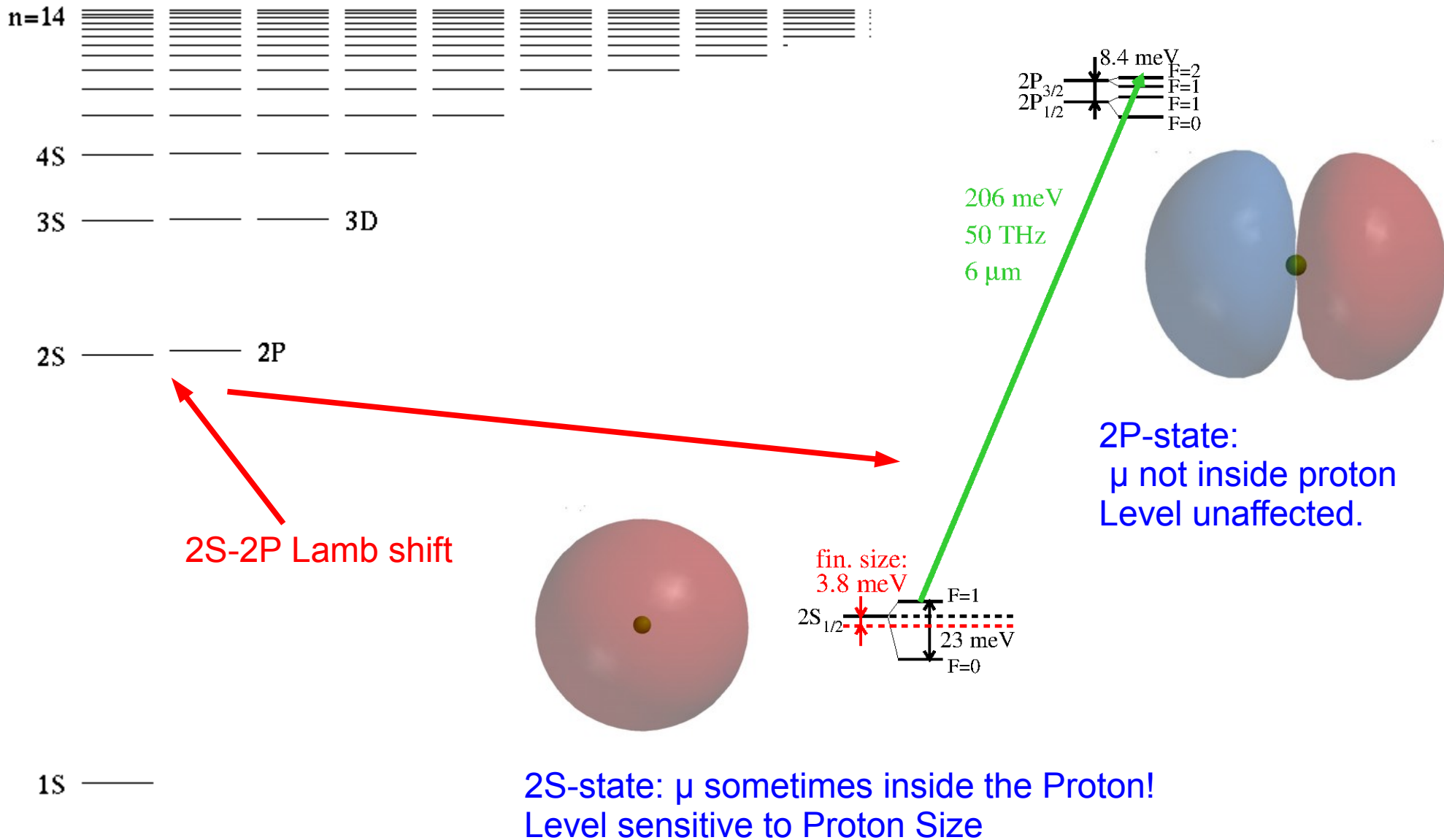
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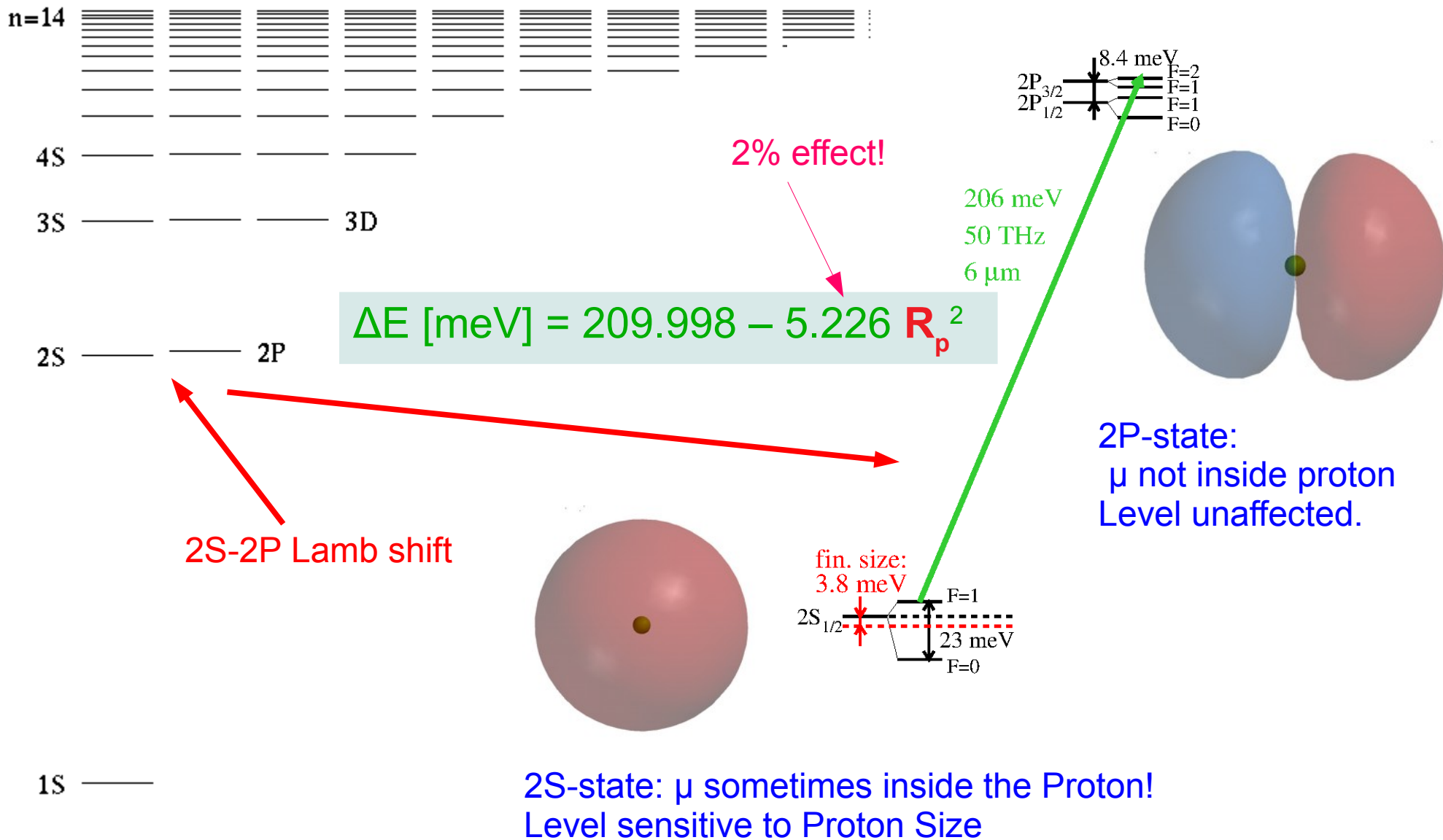
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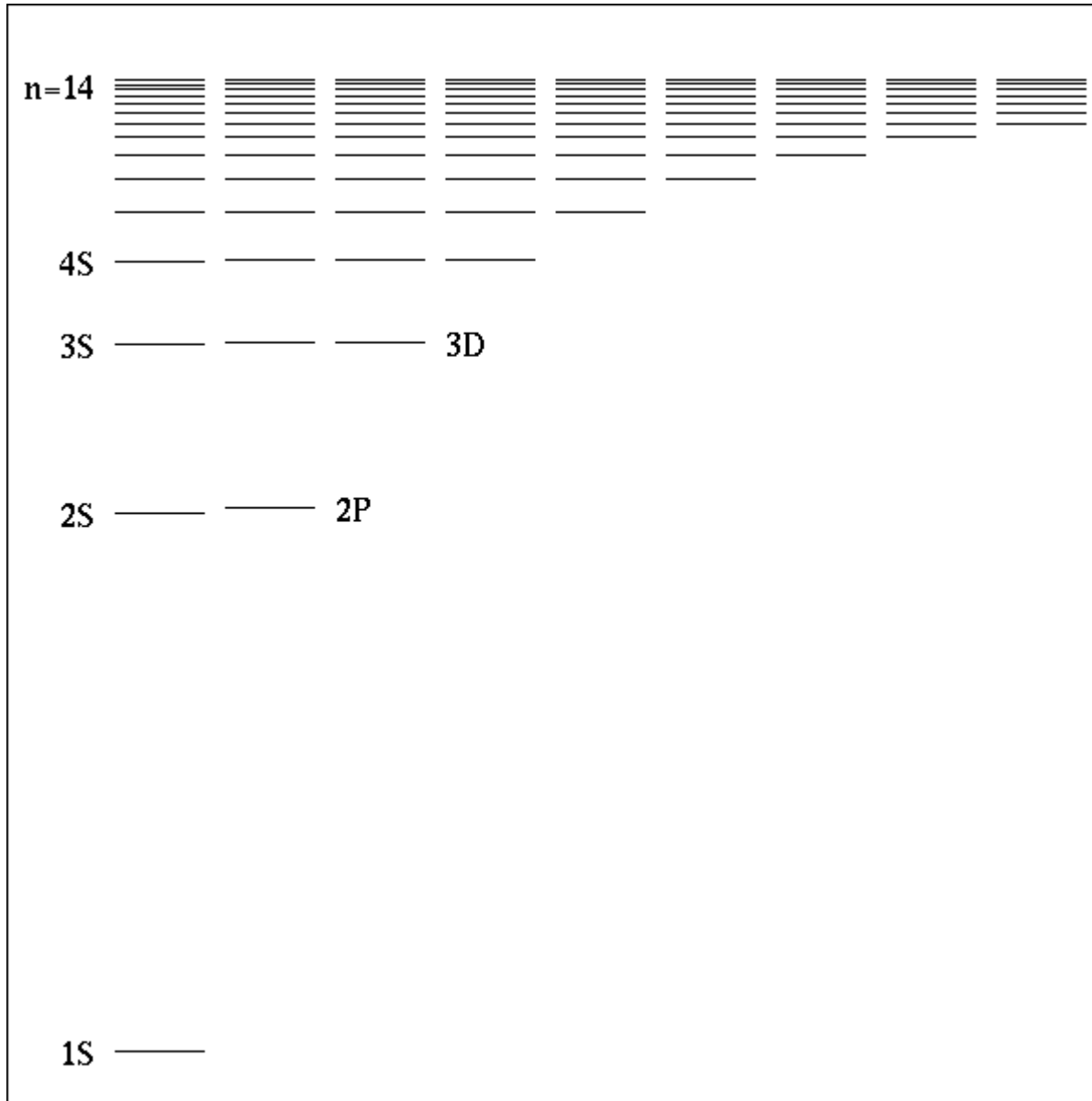
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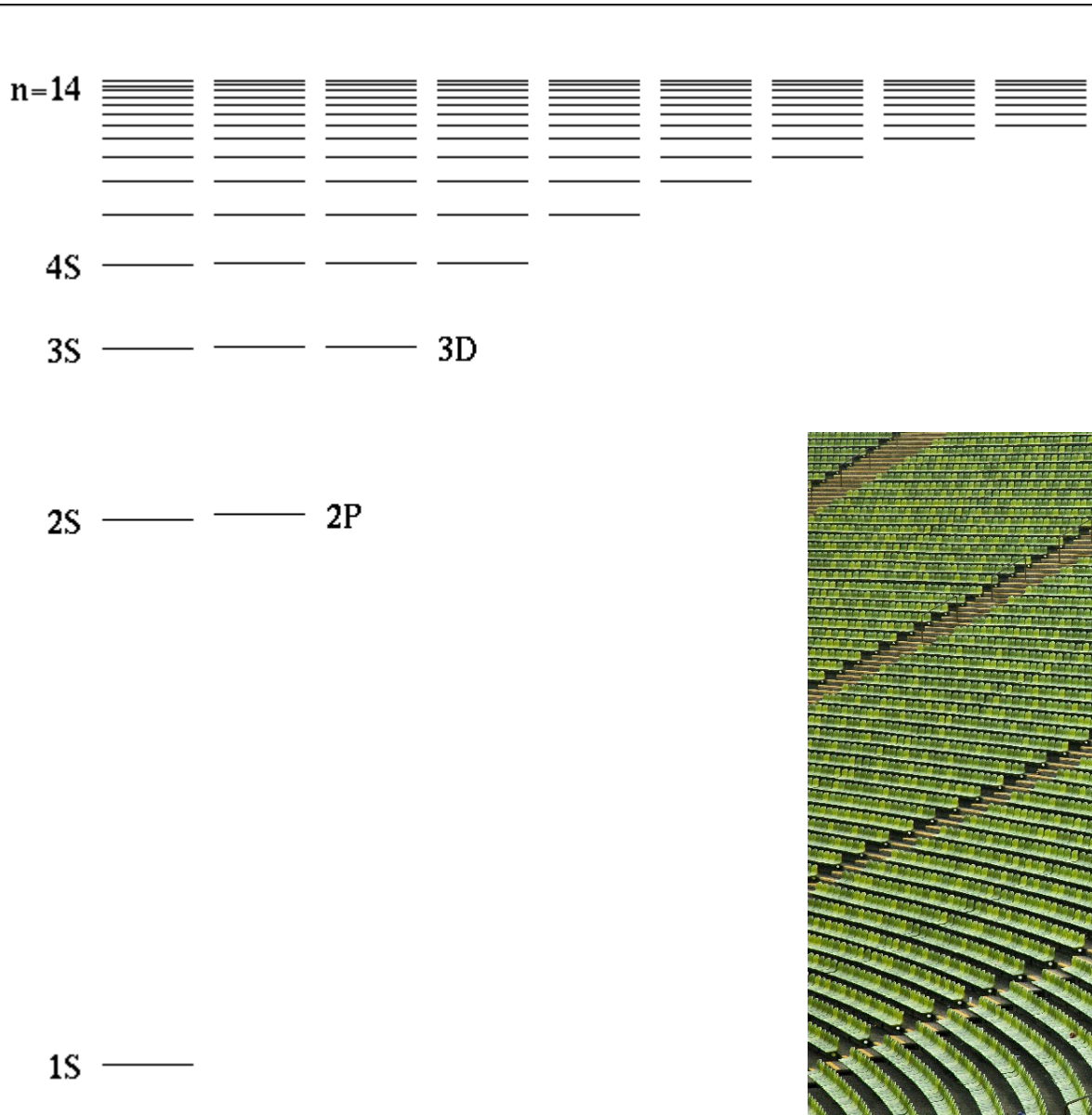


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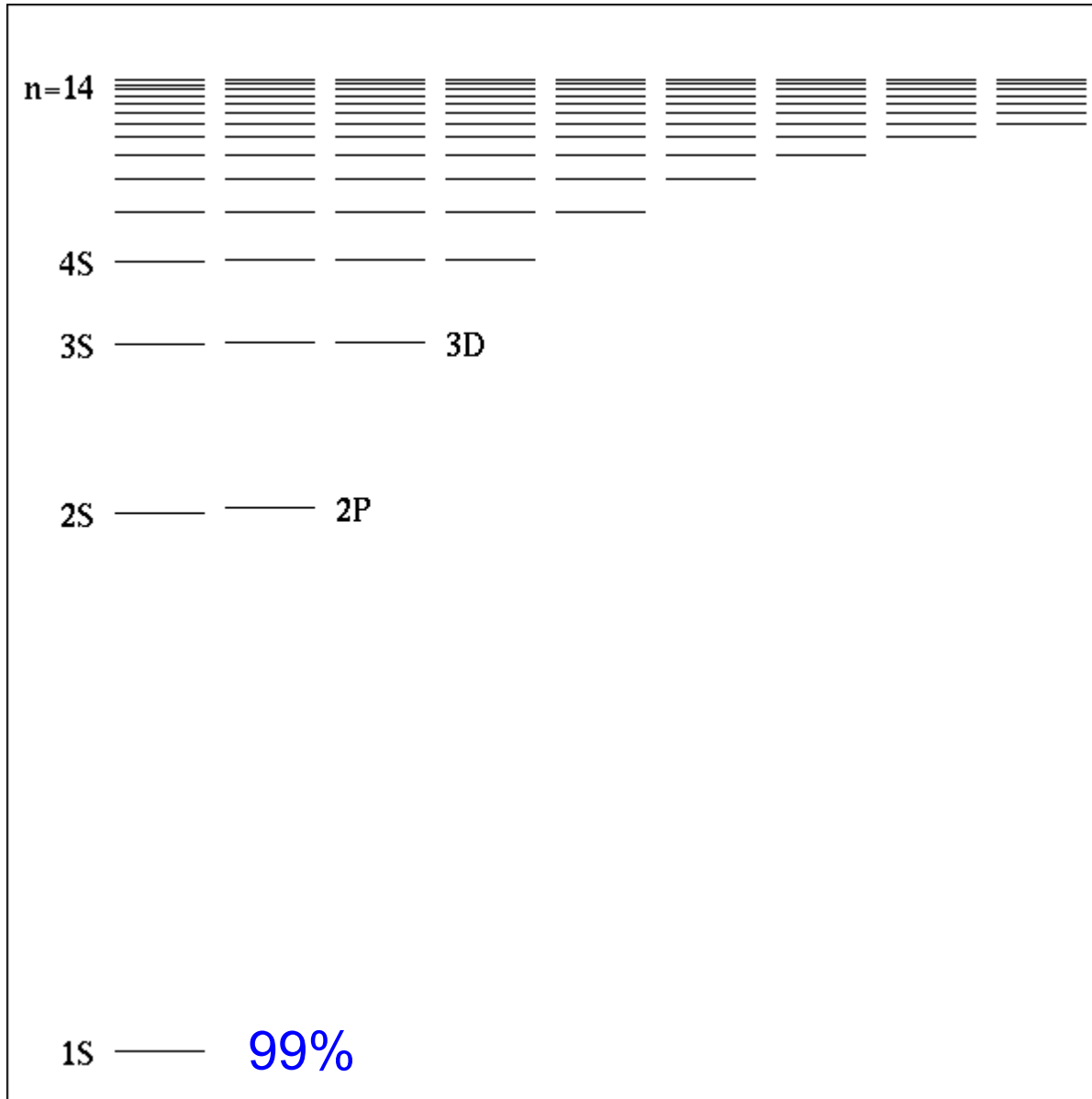
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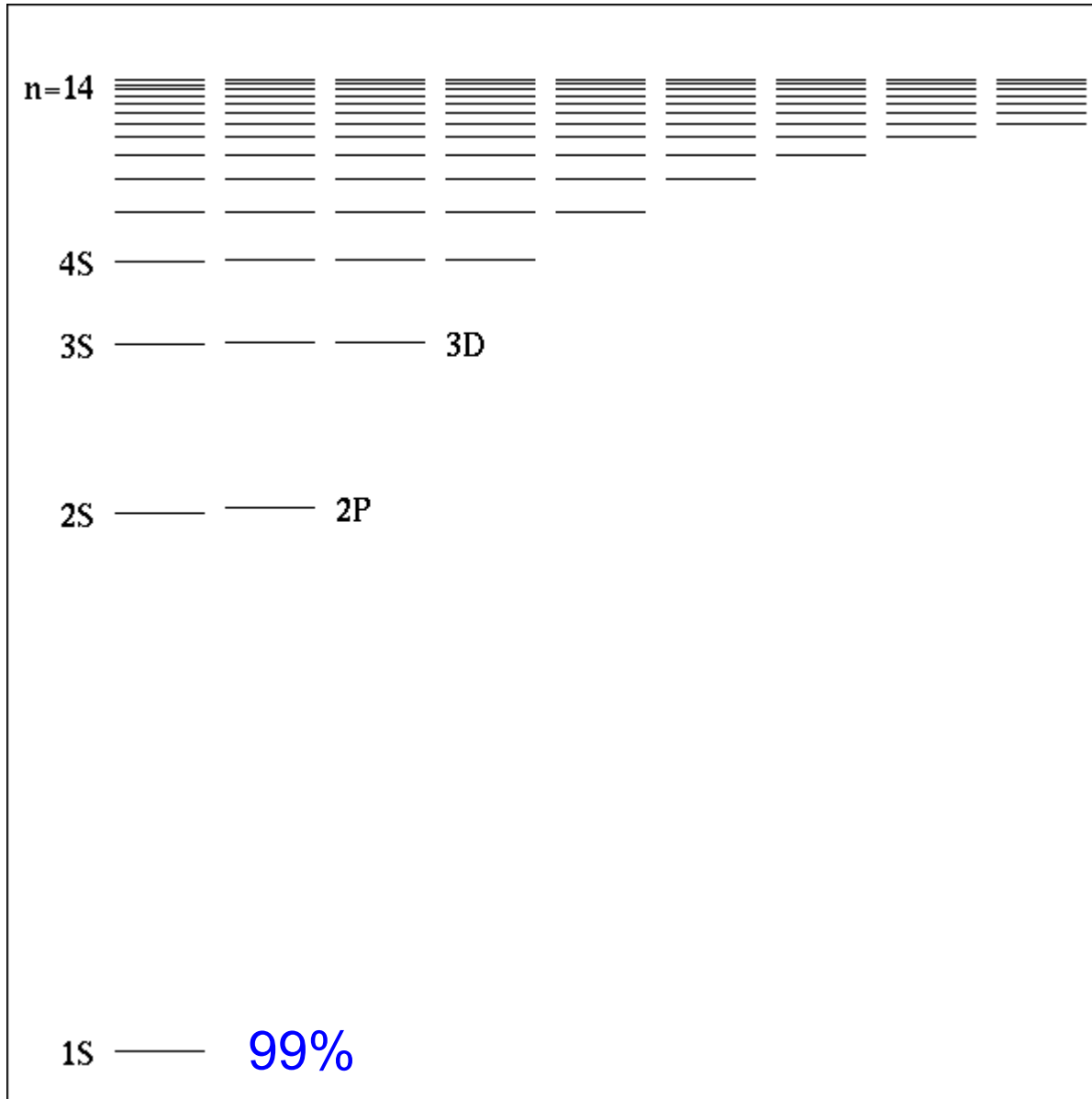
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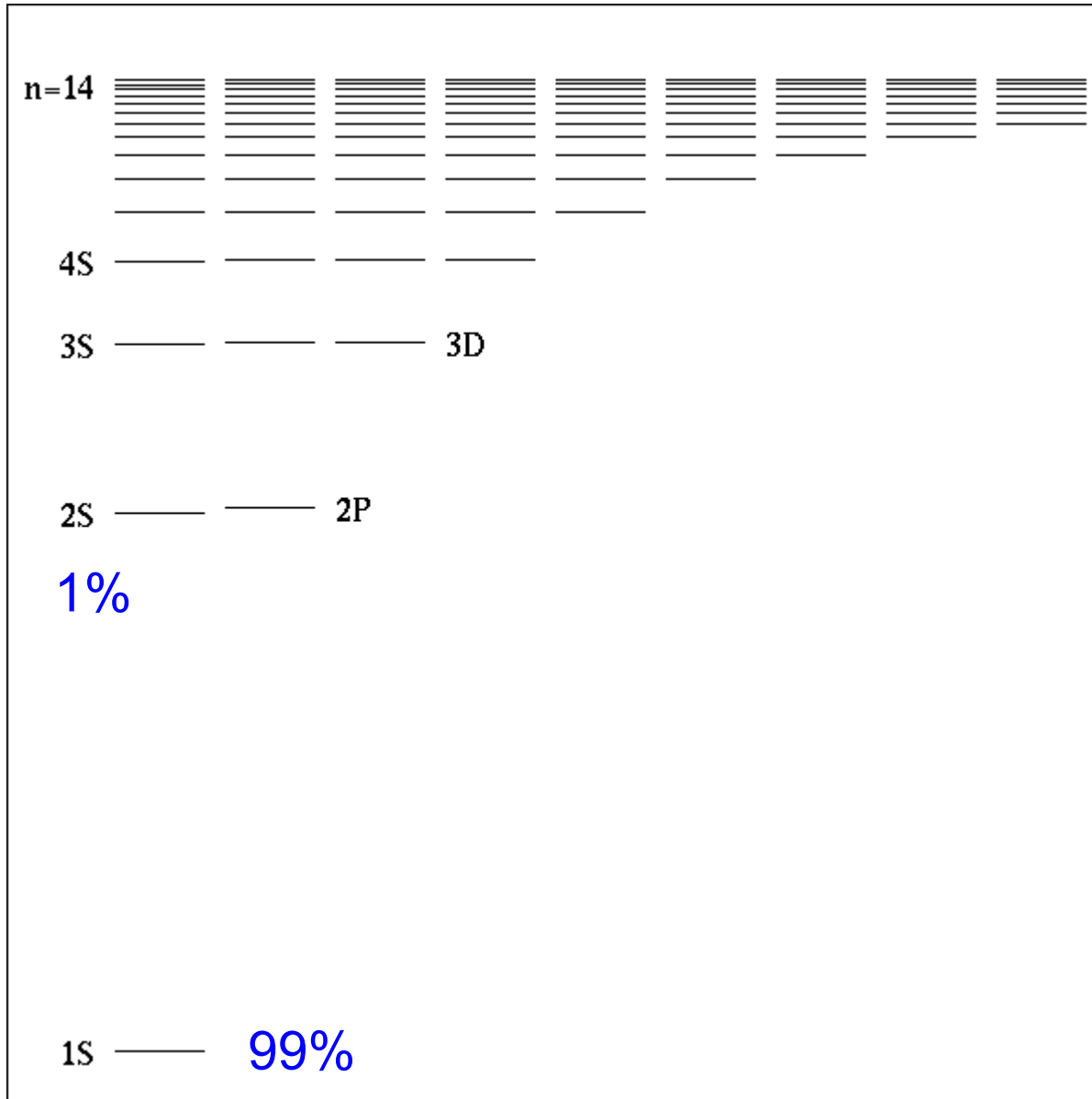
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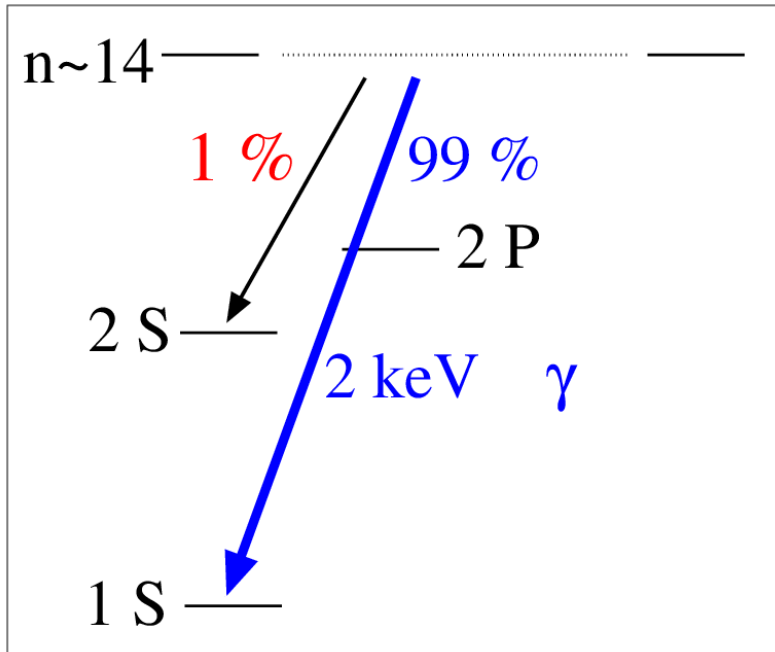
* Muons stop in H₂

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* 1% end in long-lived 2S state

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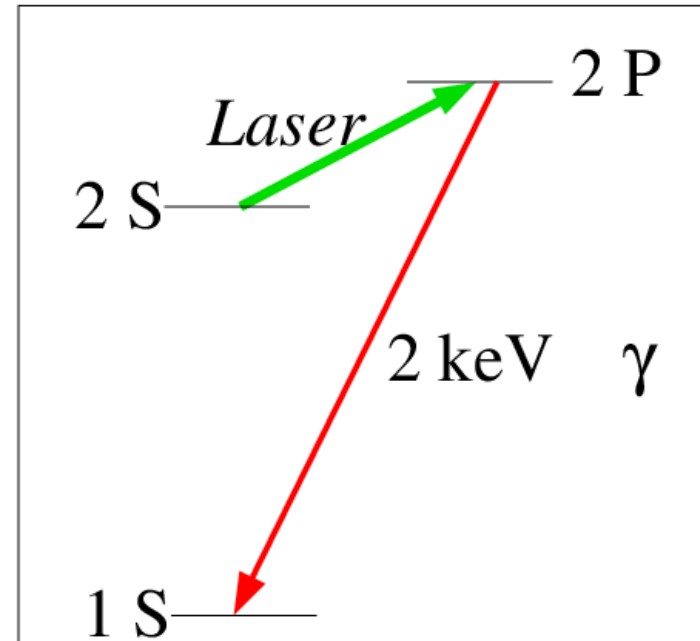
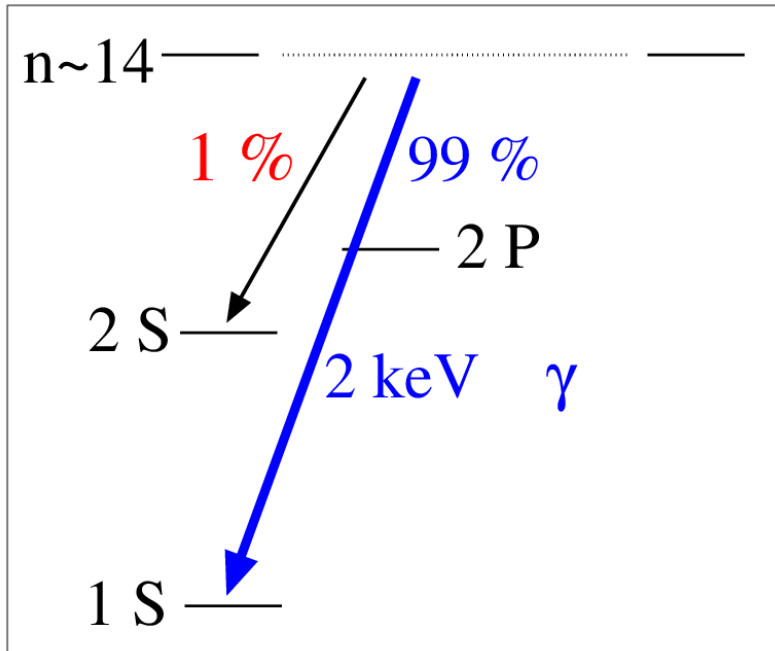


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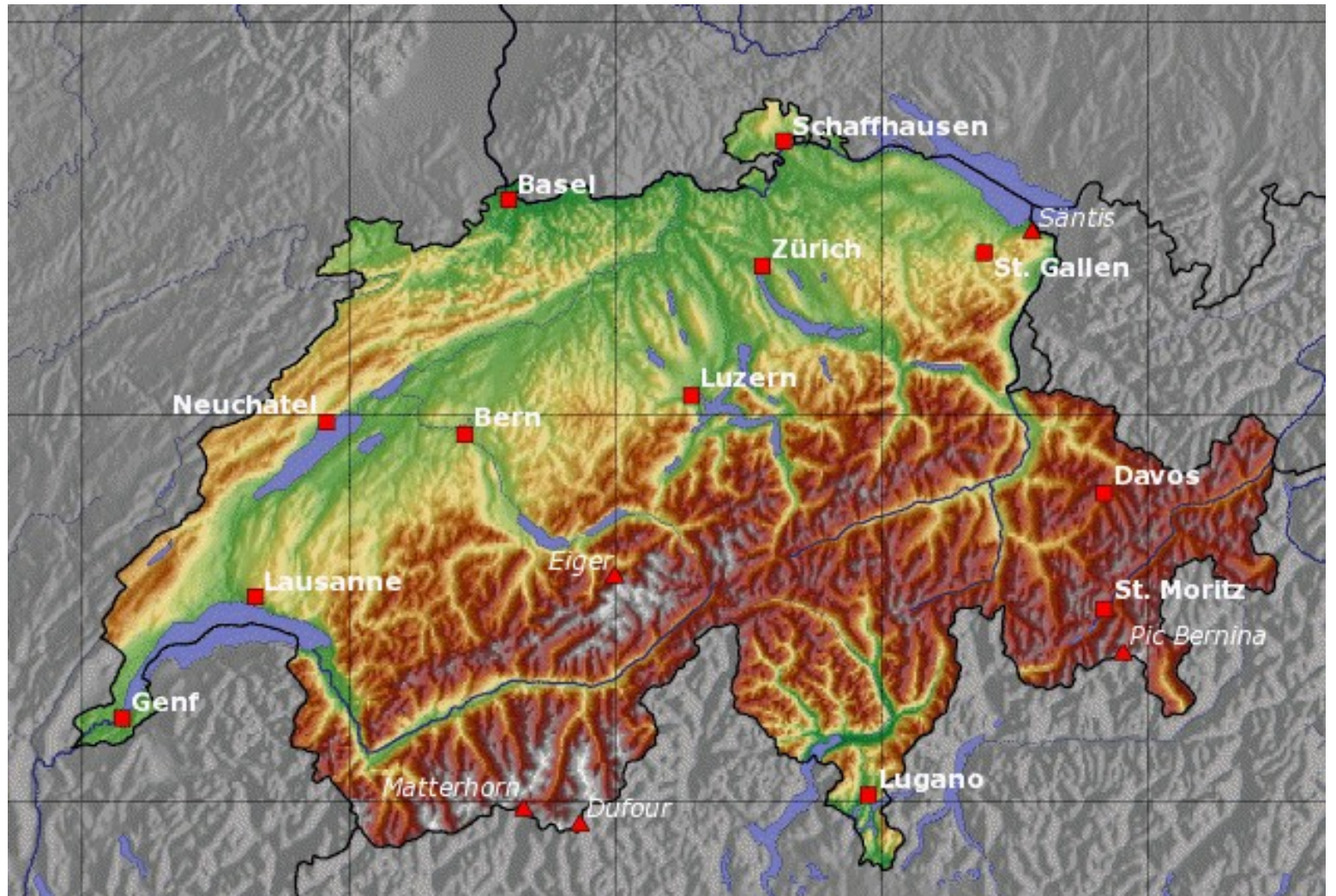
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“delayed” ($t \sim 1 \mu\text{s}$):

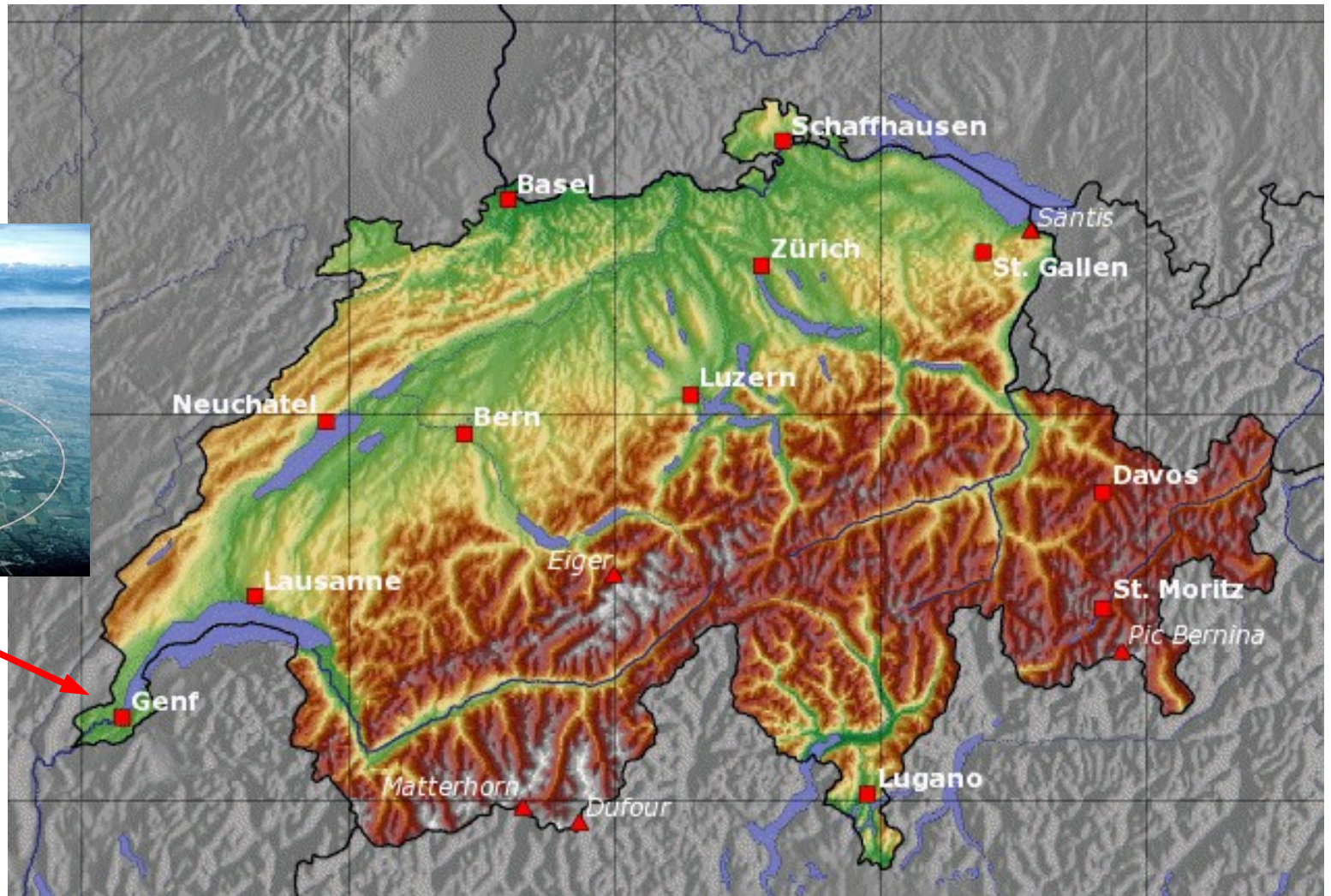
- * 1% of the Muons in $2S$ state
- * Laser on resonance ($\lambda=6 \mu\text{m}$)
- * $2S \rightarrow 2P \rightarrow 1S$

→ “delayed” X-ray photons

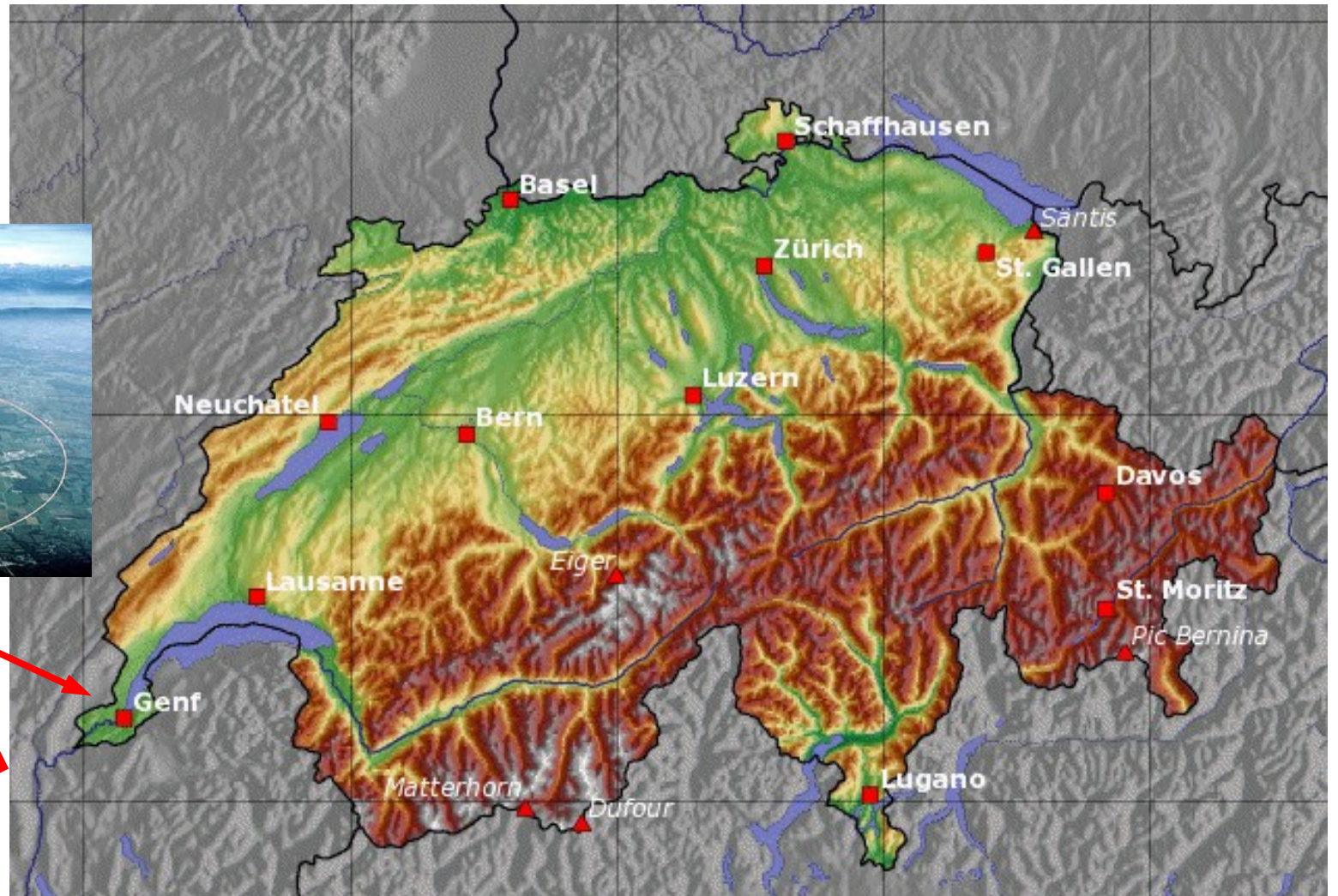
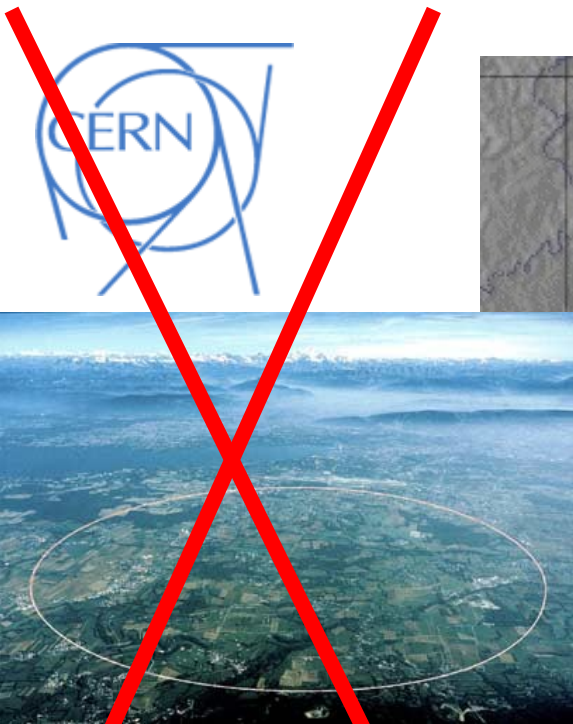
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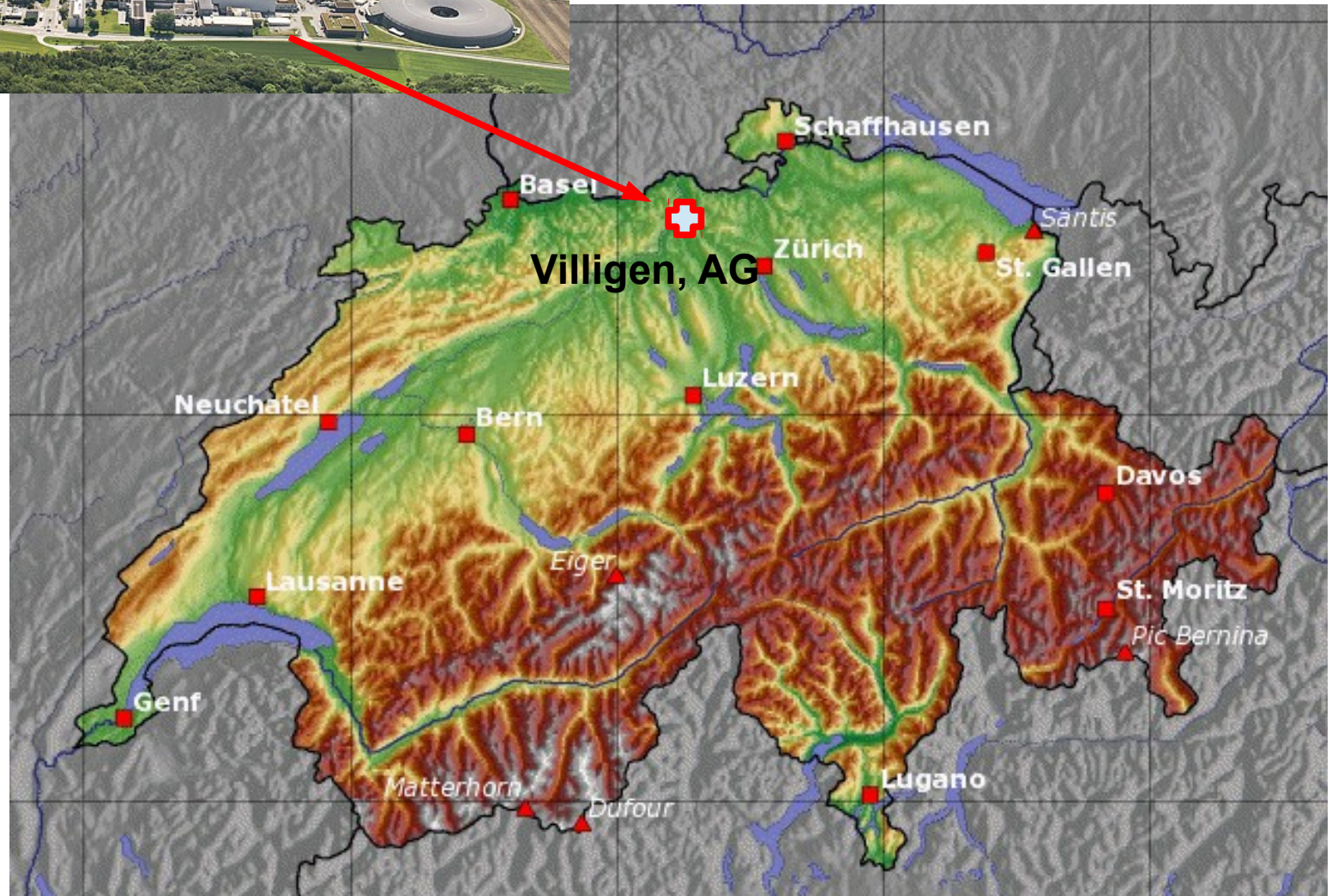
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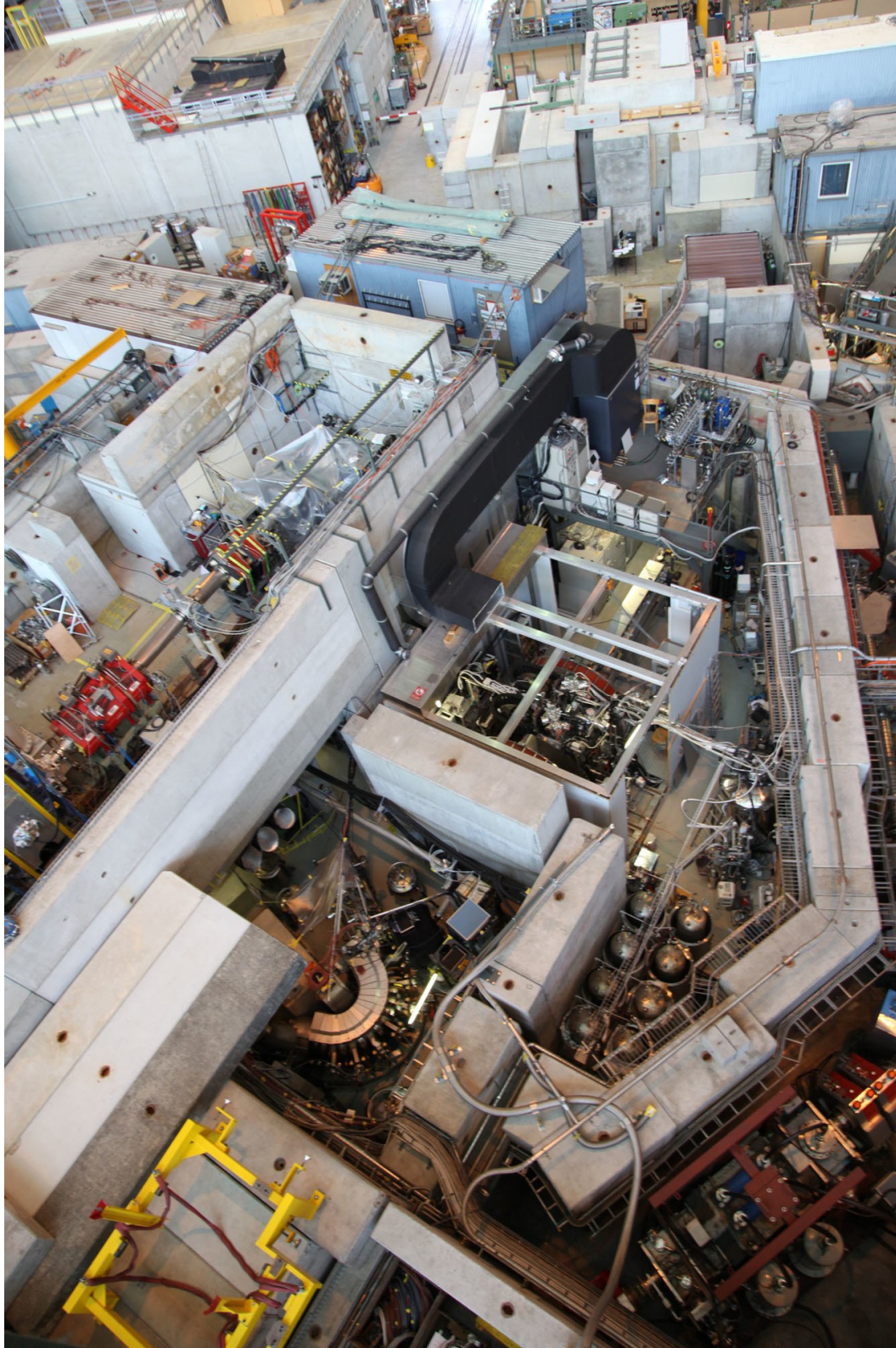


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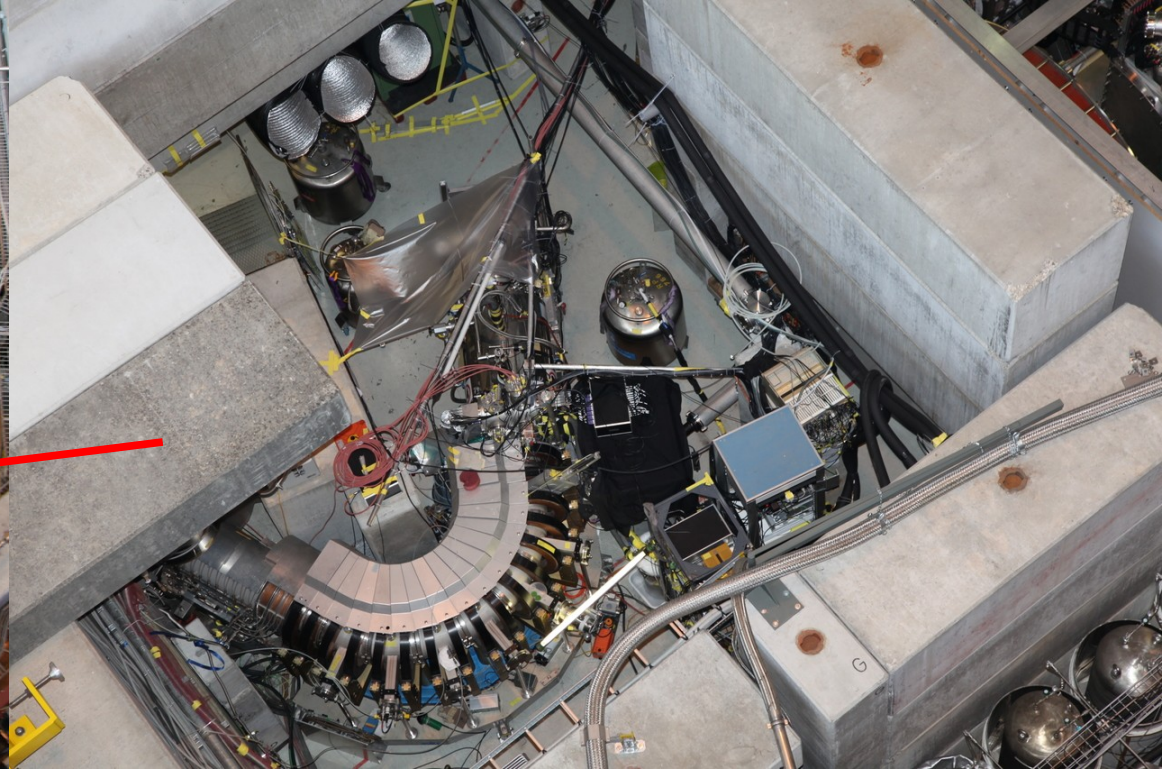
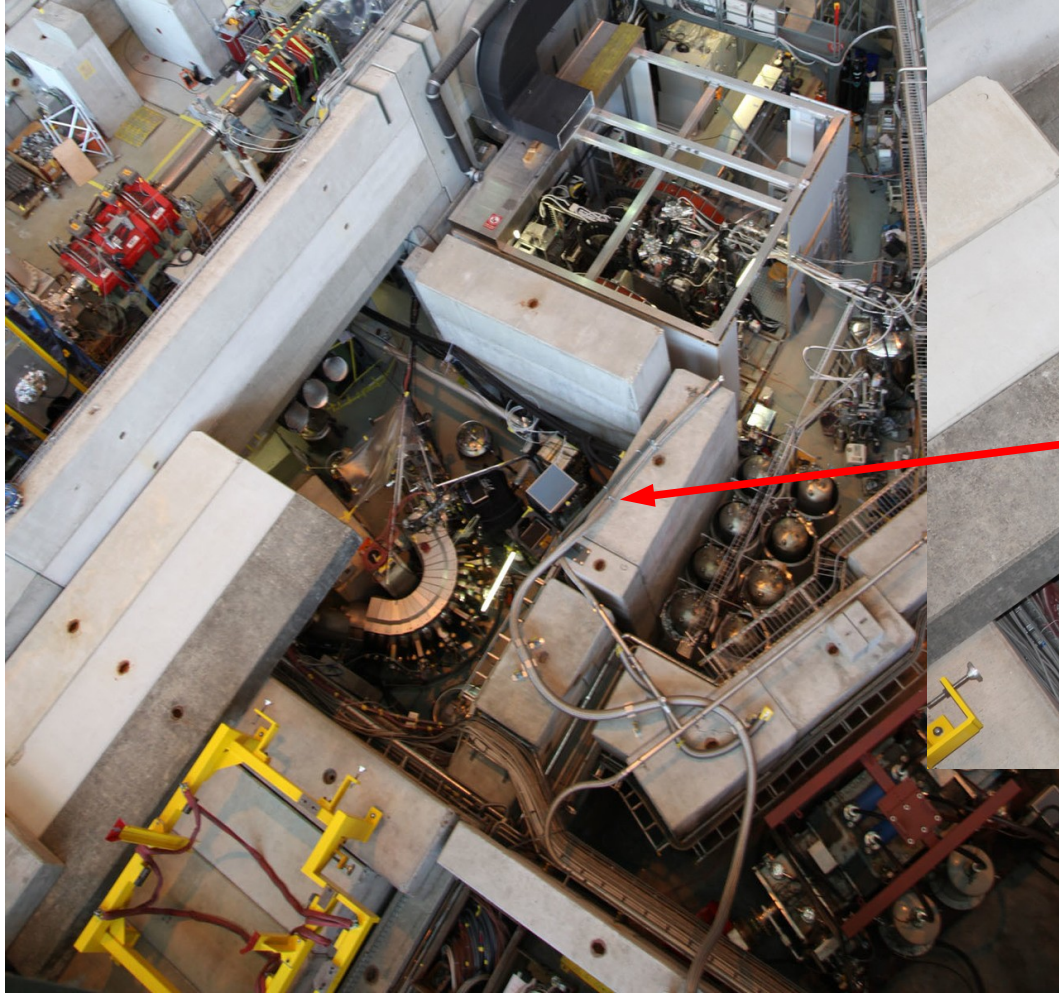
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Beam Area πE5



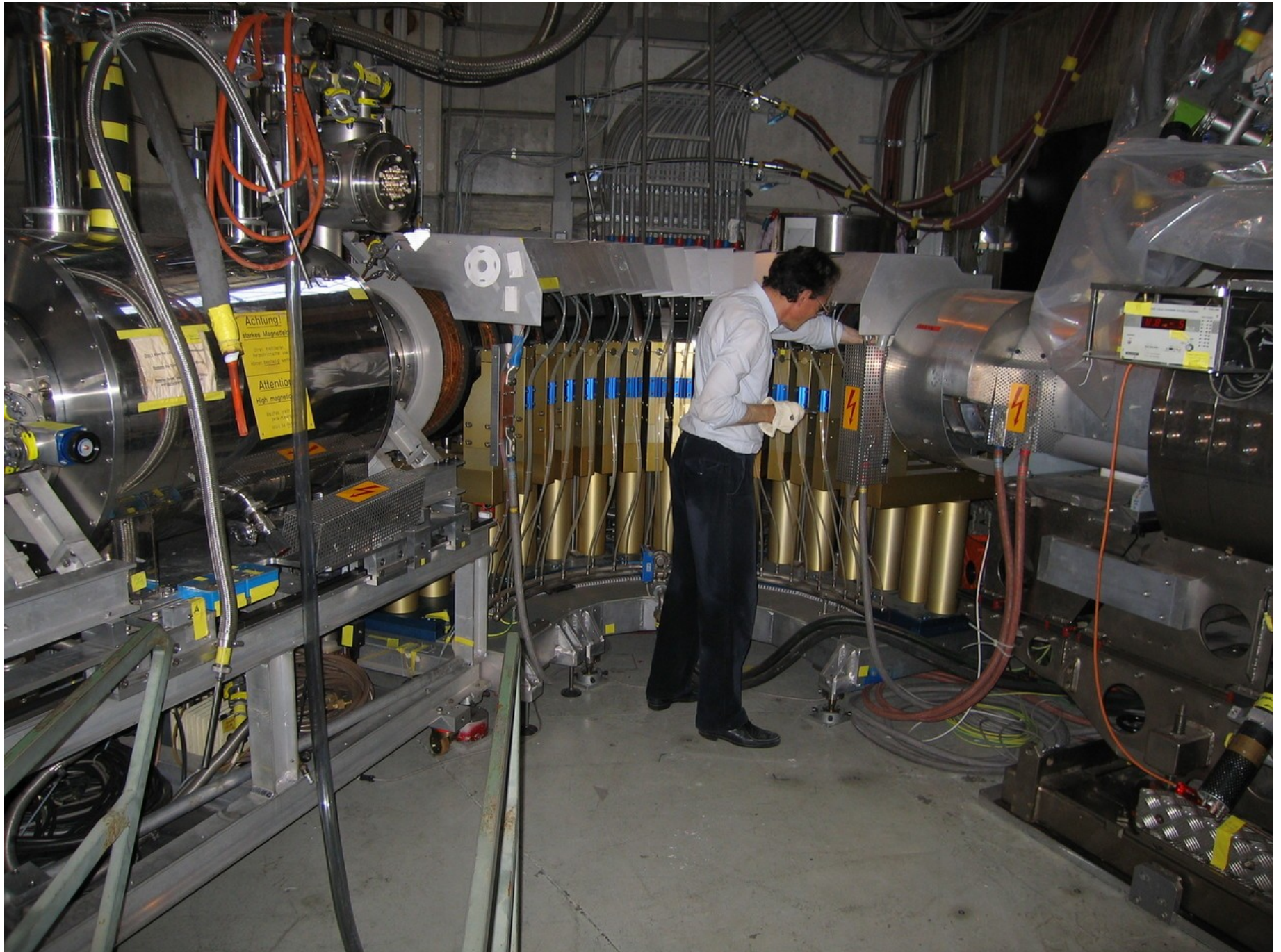
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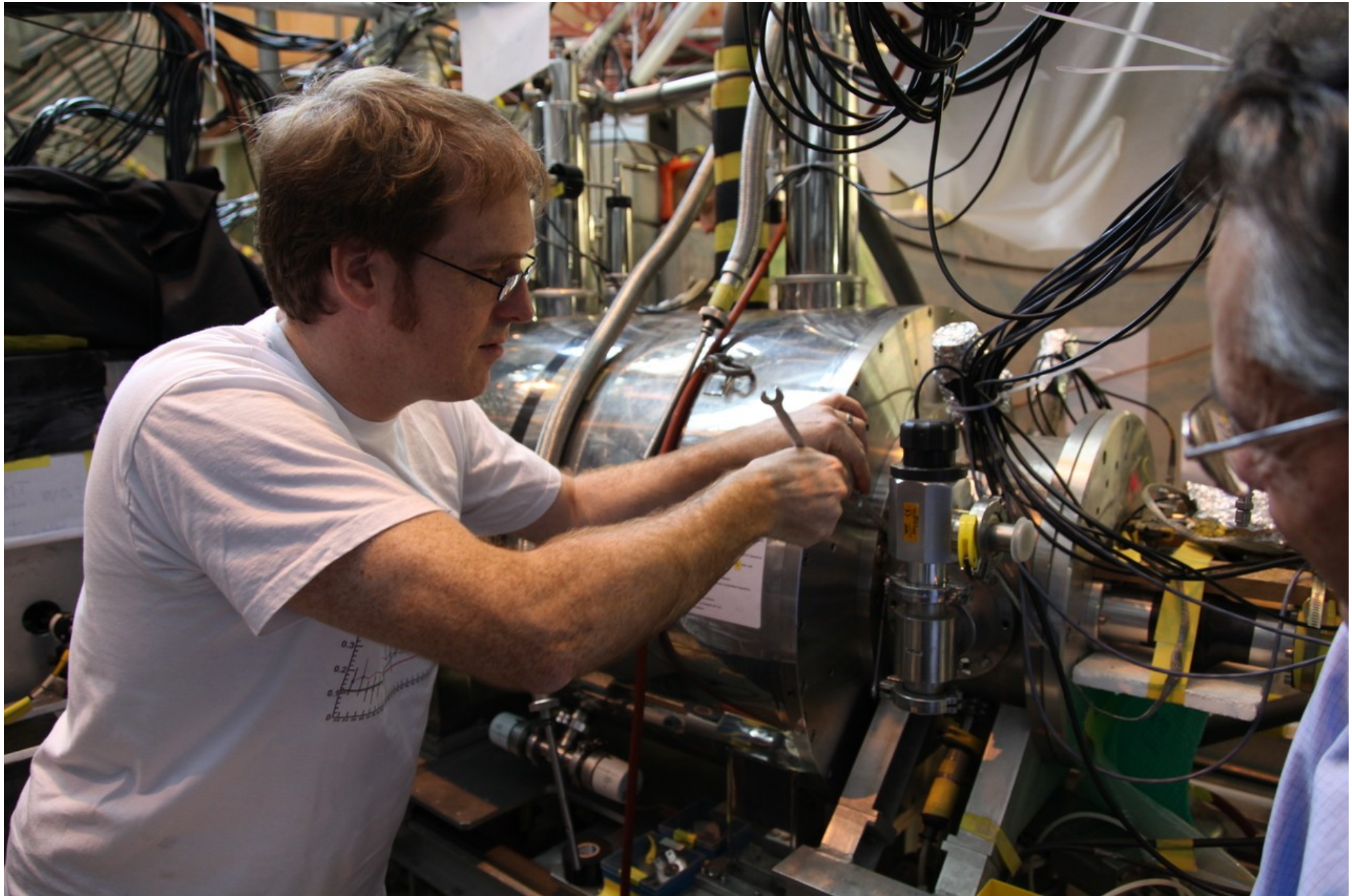
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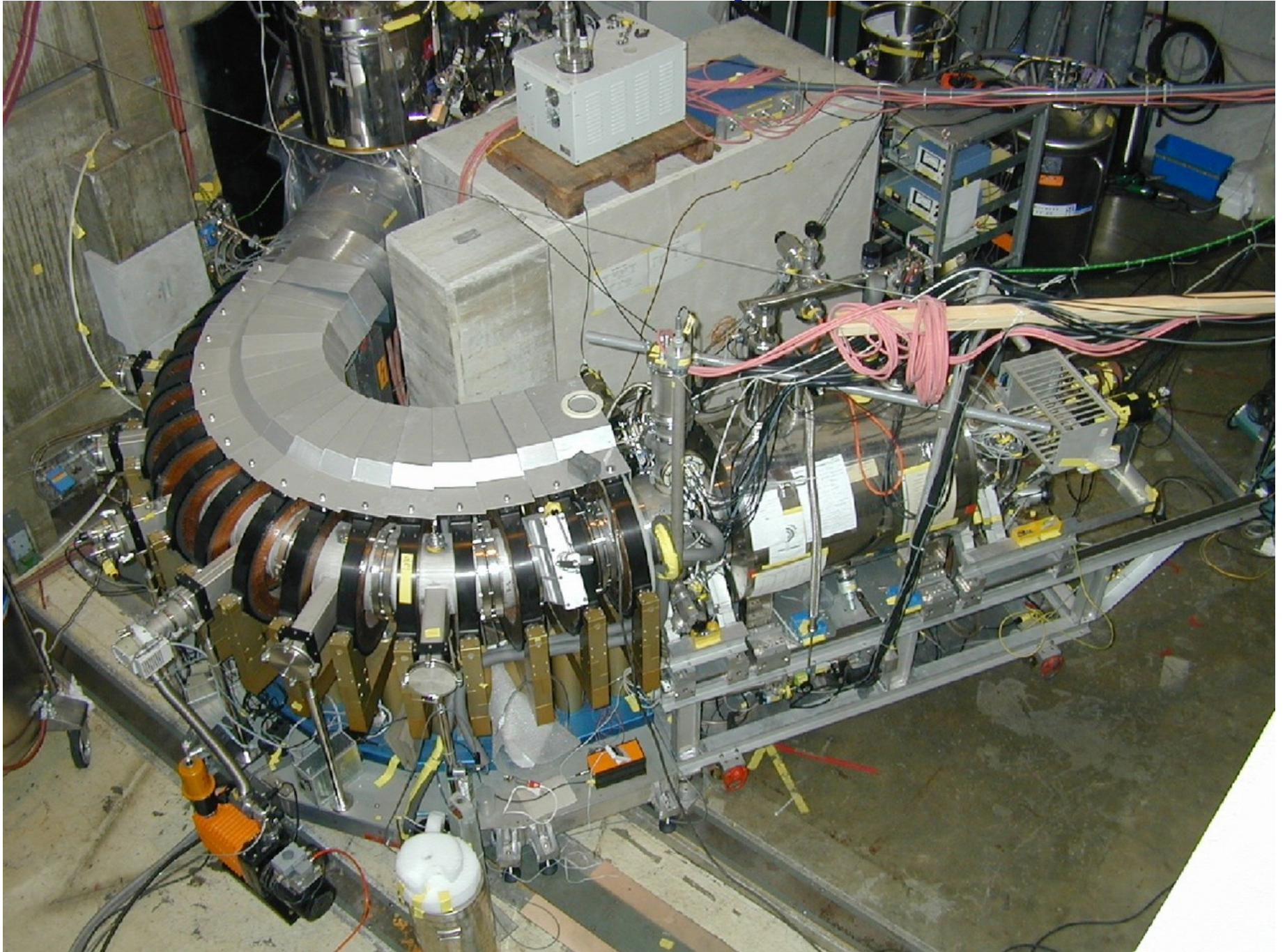
Our Muon Beam inside $\pi E5$



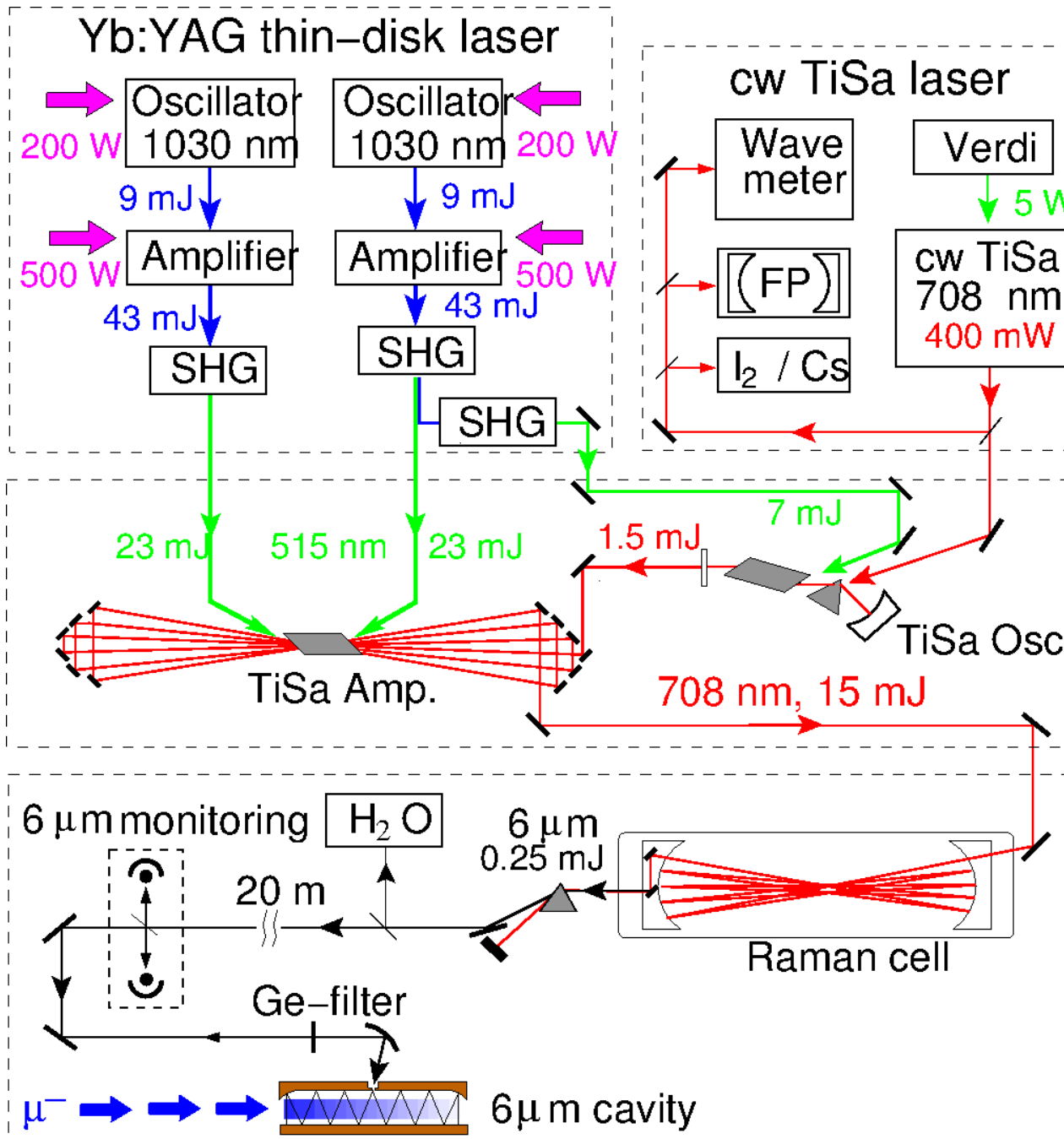
Getting ready....



Muon Beam Setup inside $\pi E5$



The Laser System



Yb:YAG Thin-Disk laser
→ quick response to μ

Frequency doubling (SHG)
→ green light to pump
Ti:sapphire crystals

Ti:sapphire cw laser
→ controls laser wavelength

Ti:sapphire oscillator/amplifier
→ large pulse energy (15 mJ)

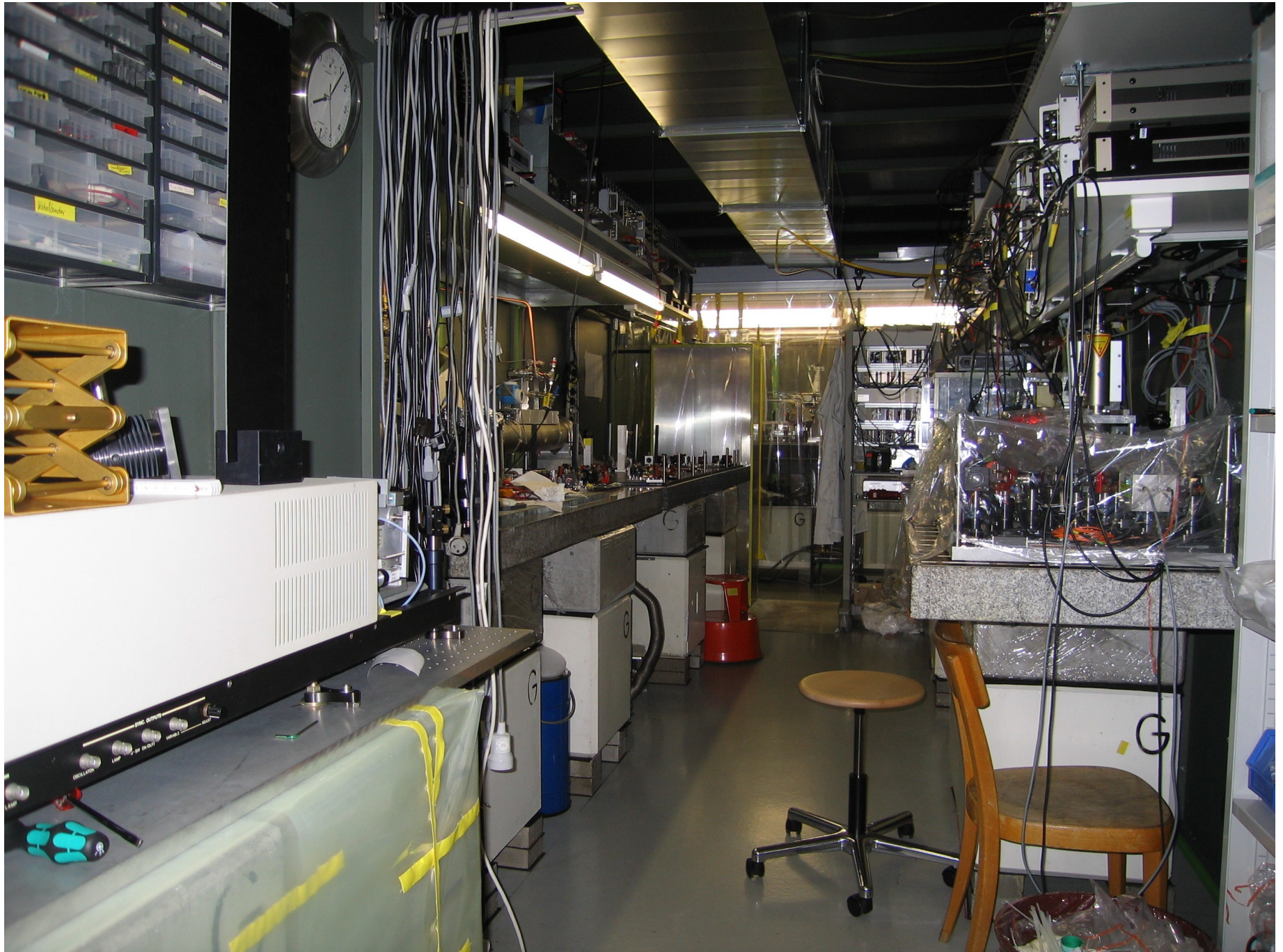
Raman cell
→ 3fold wavelength change
→ 6 μ m

Target Cavity
→ Mirror system surrounds
muon stop volume

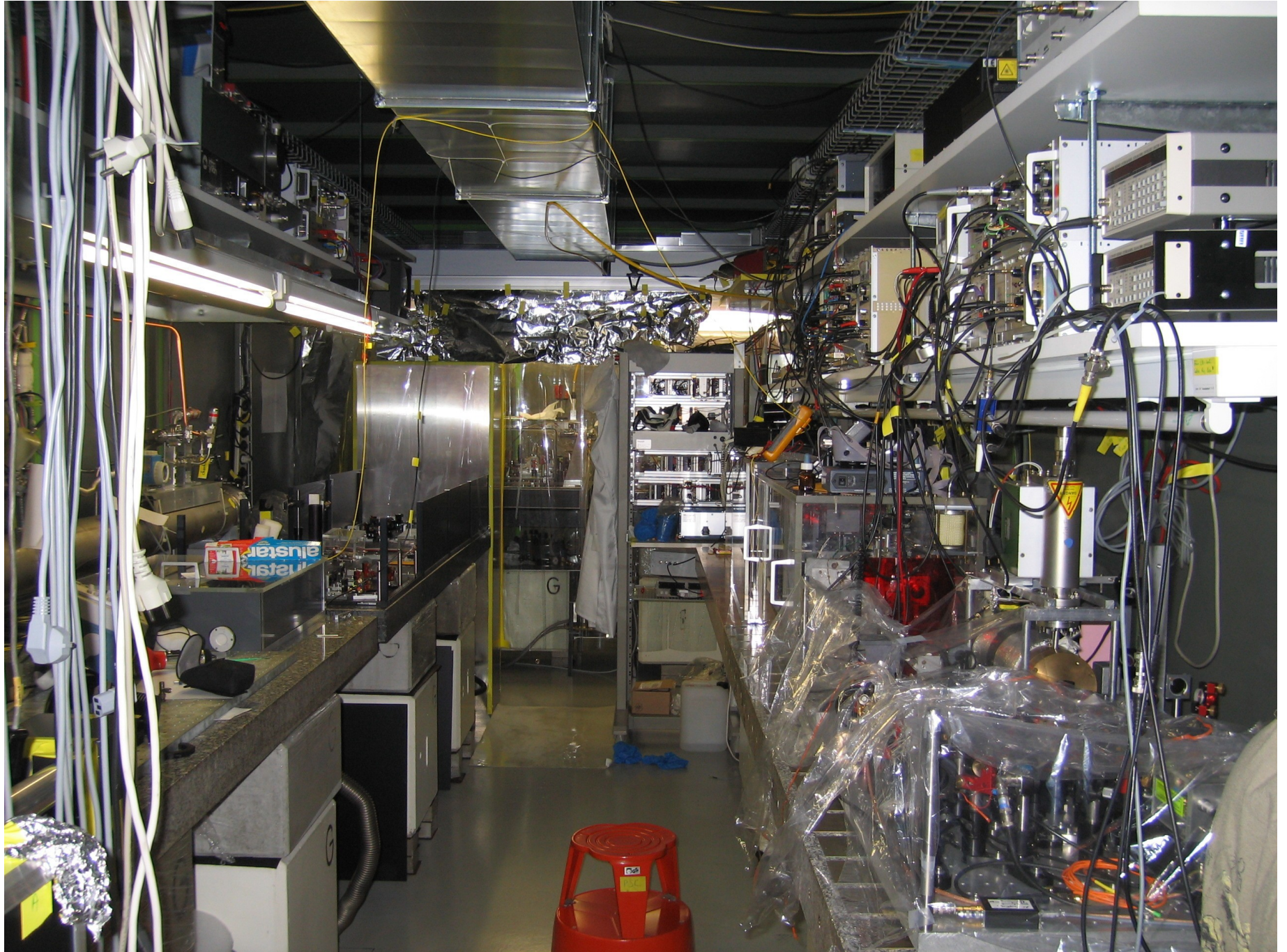
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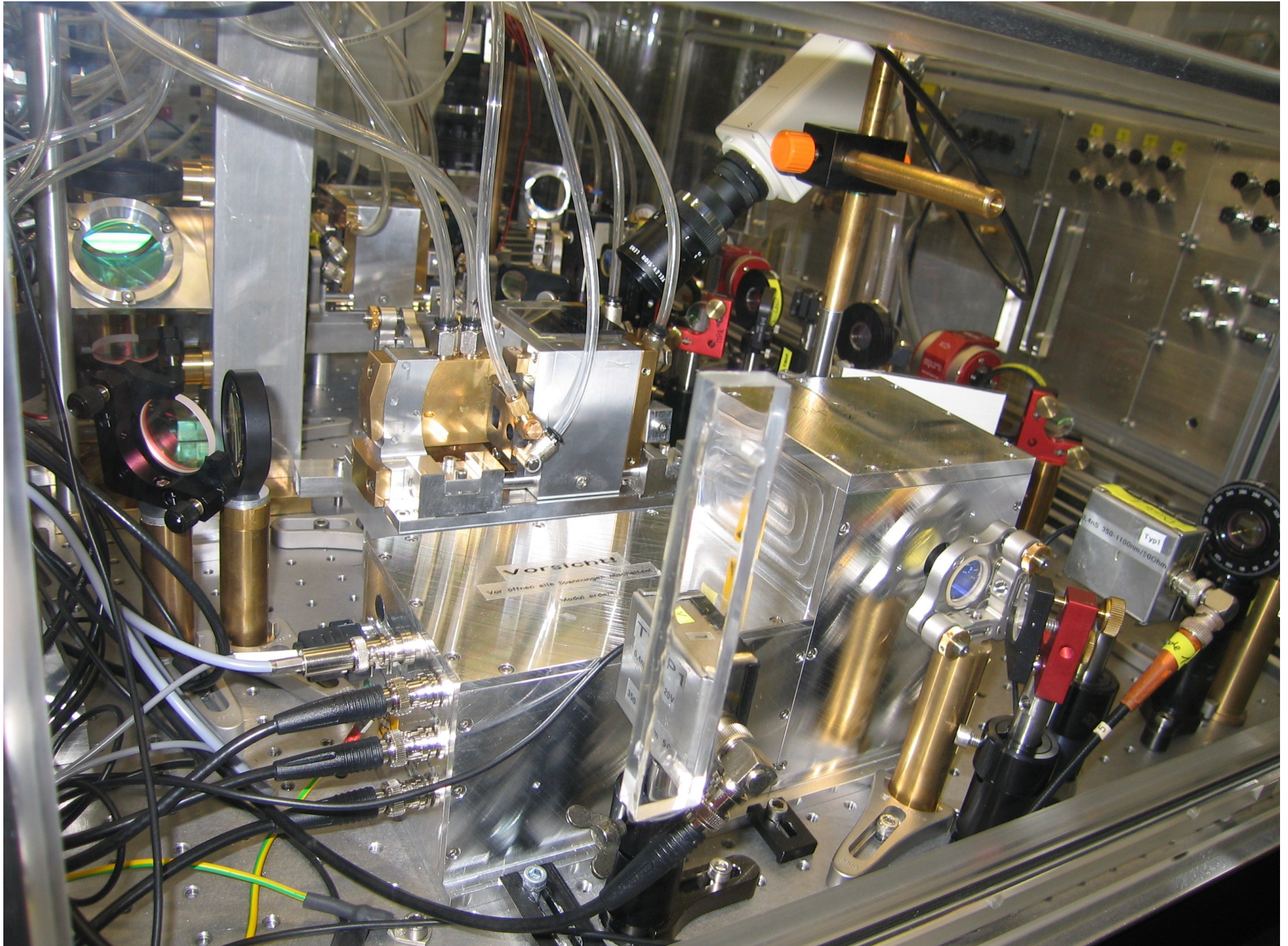
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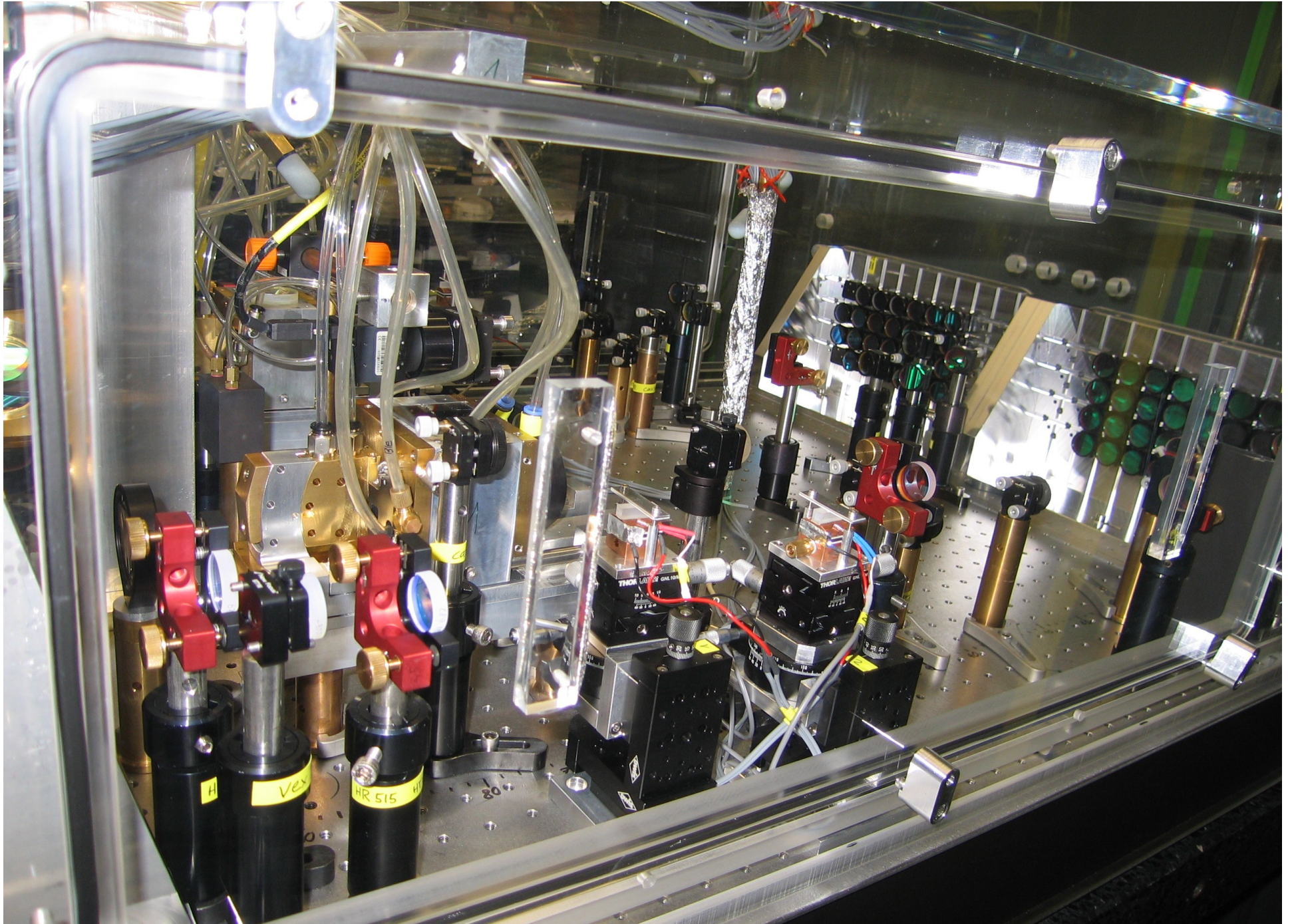
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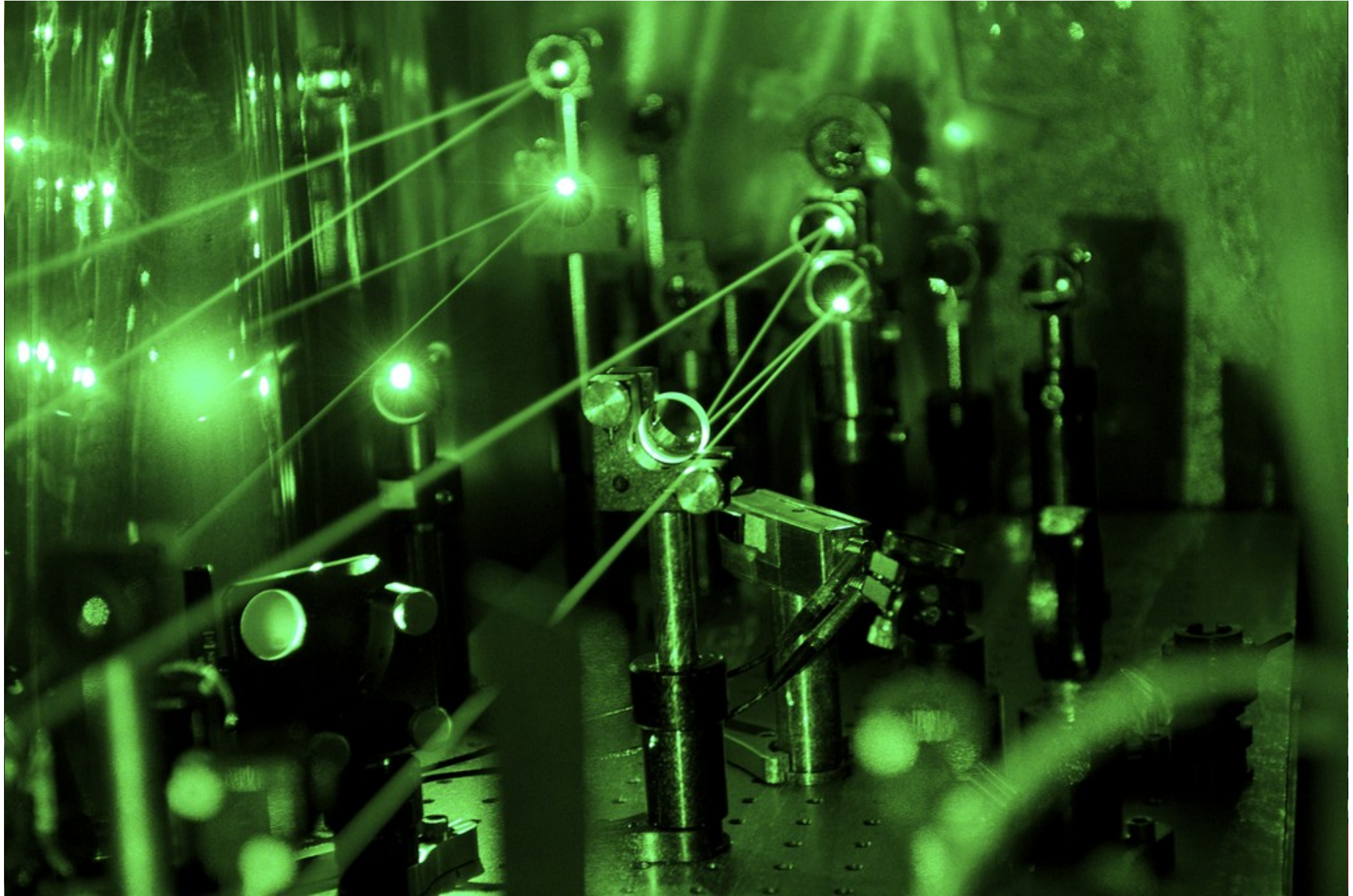
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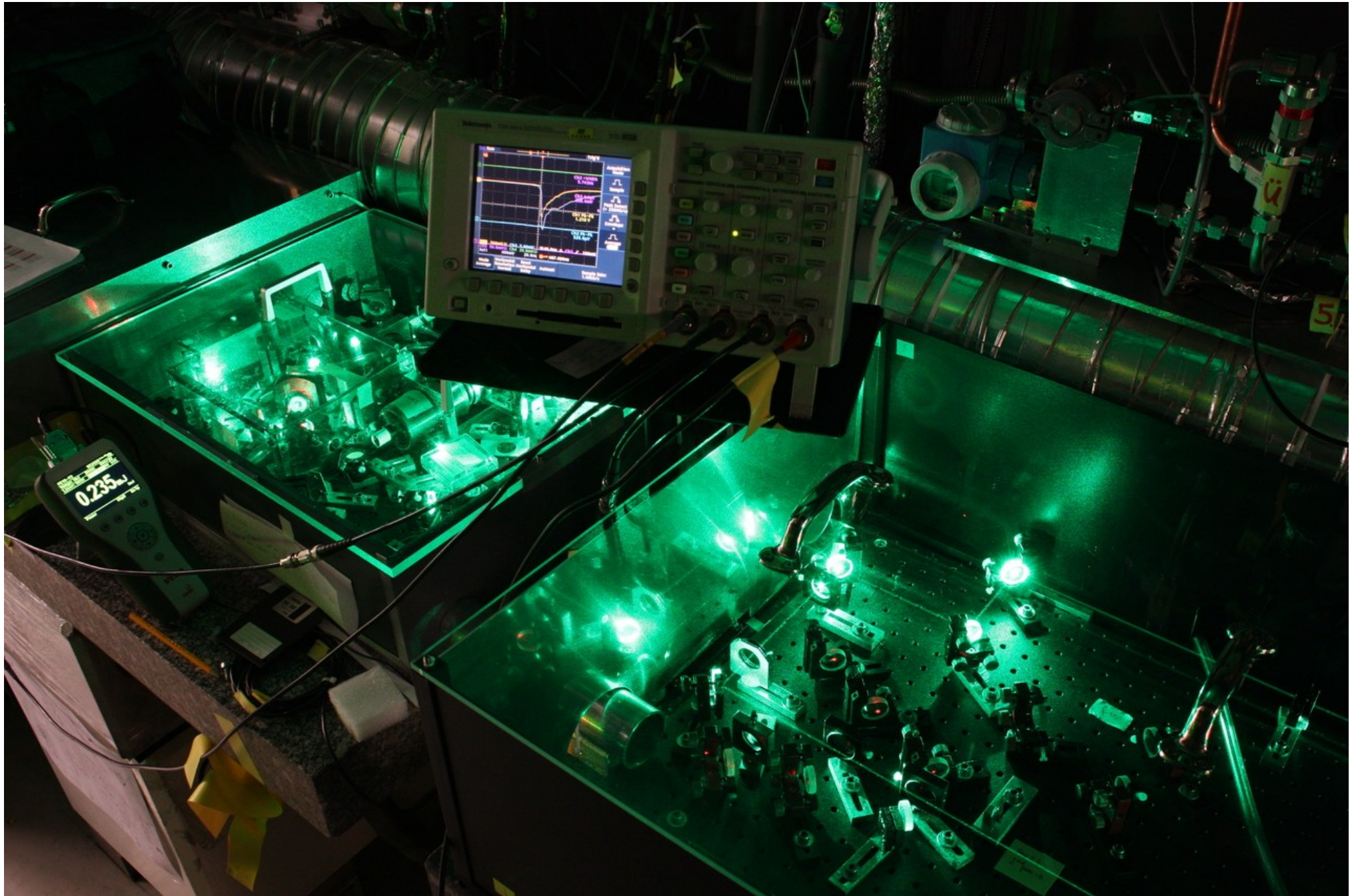
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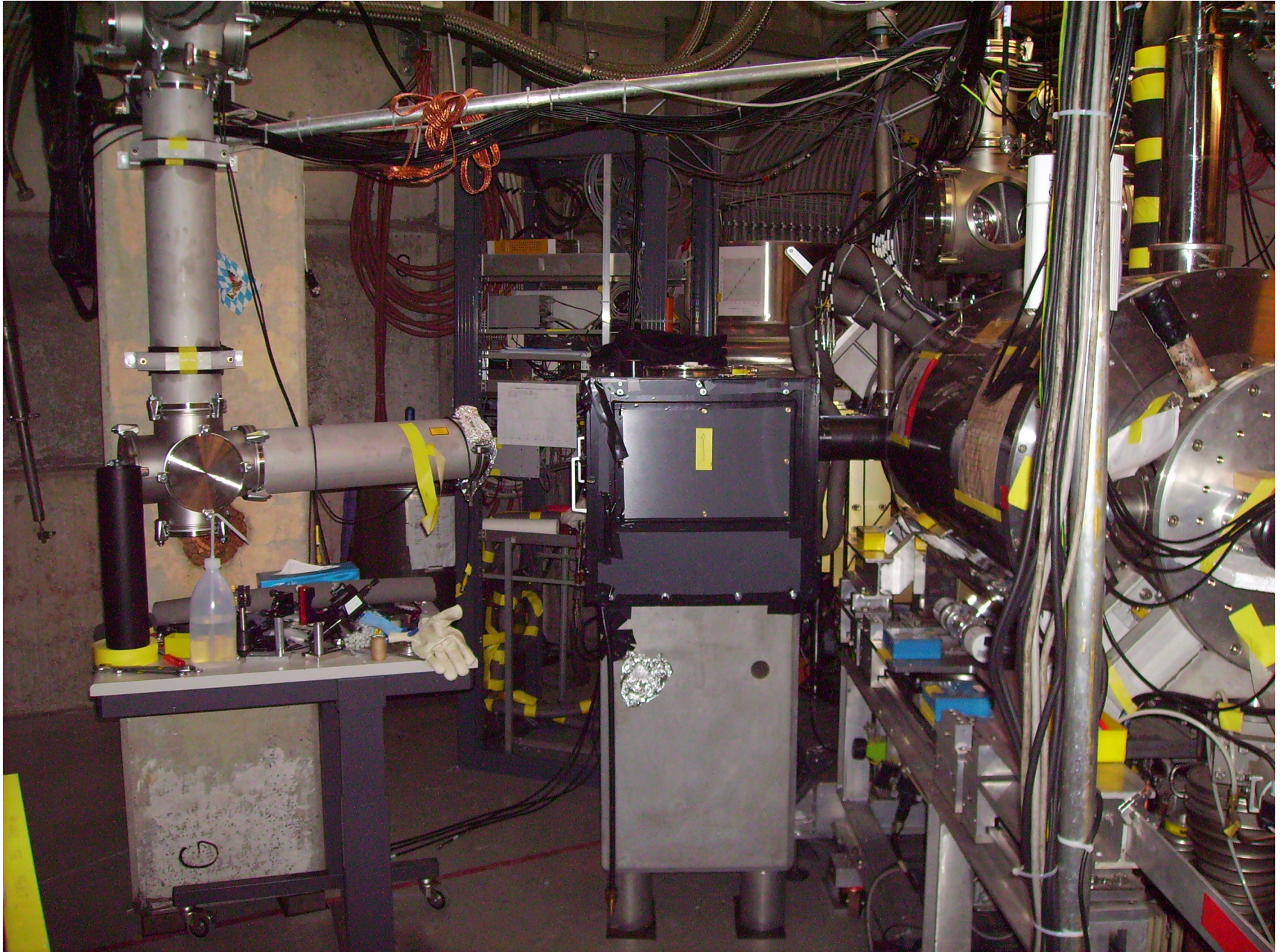
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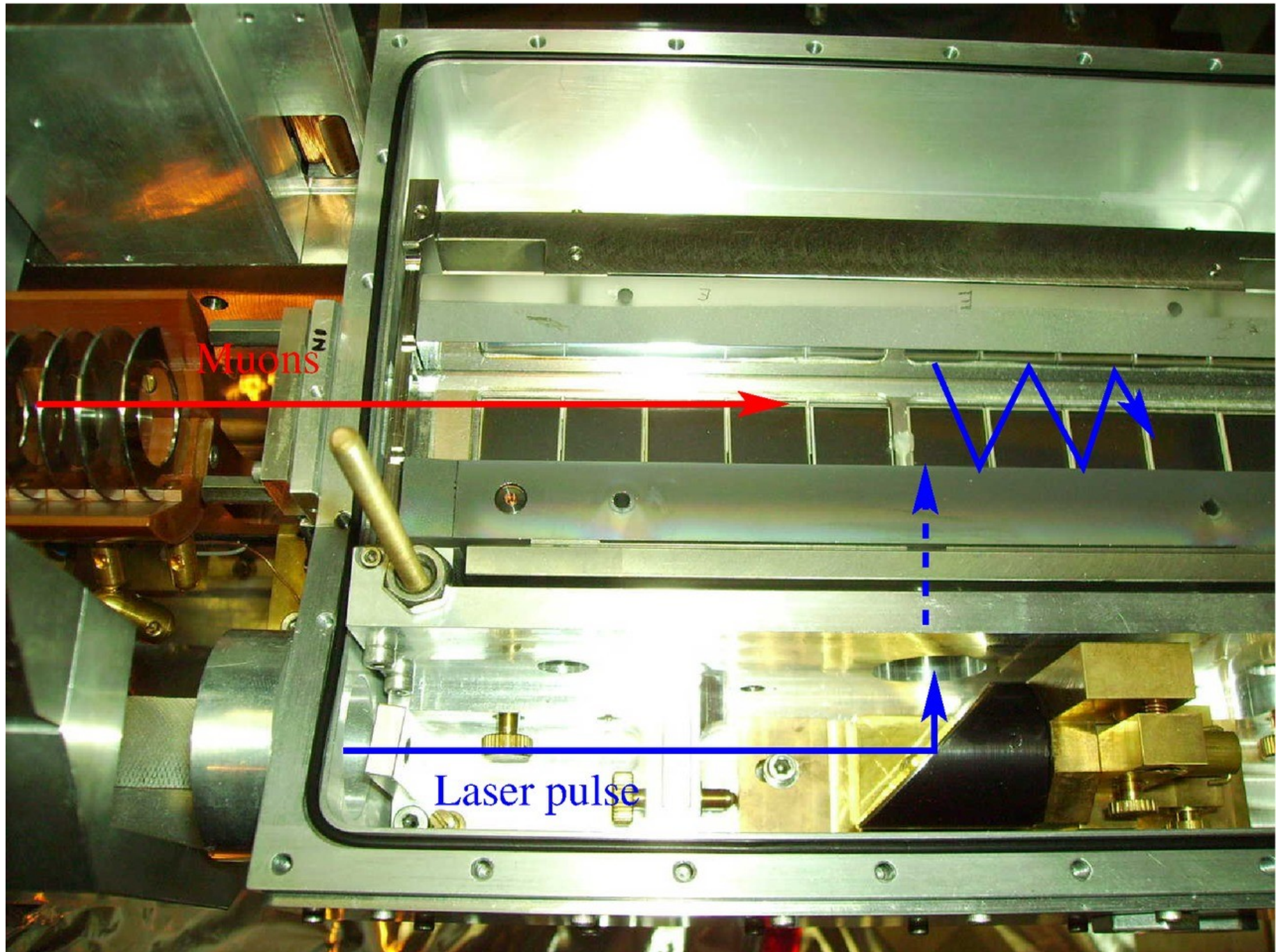
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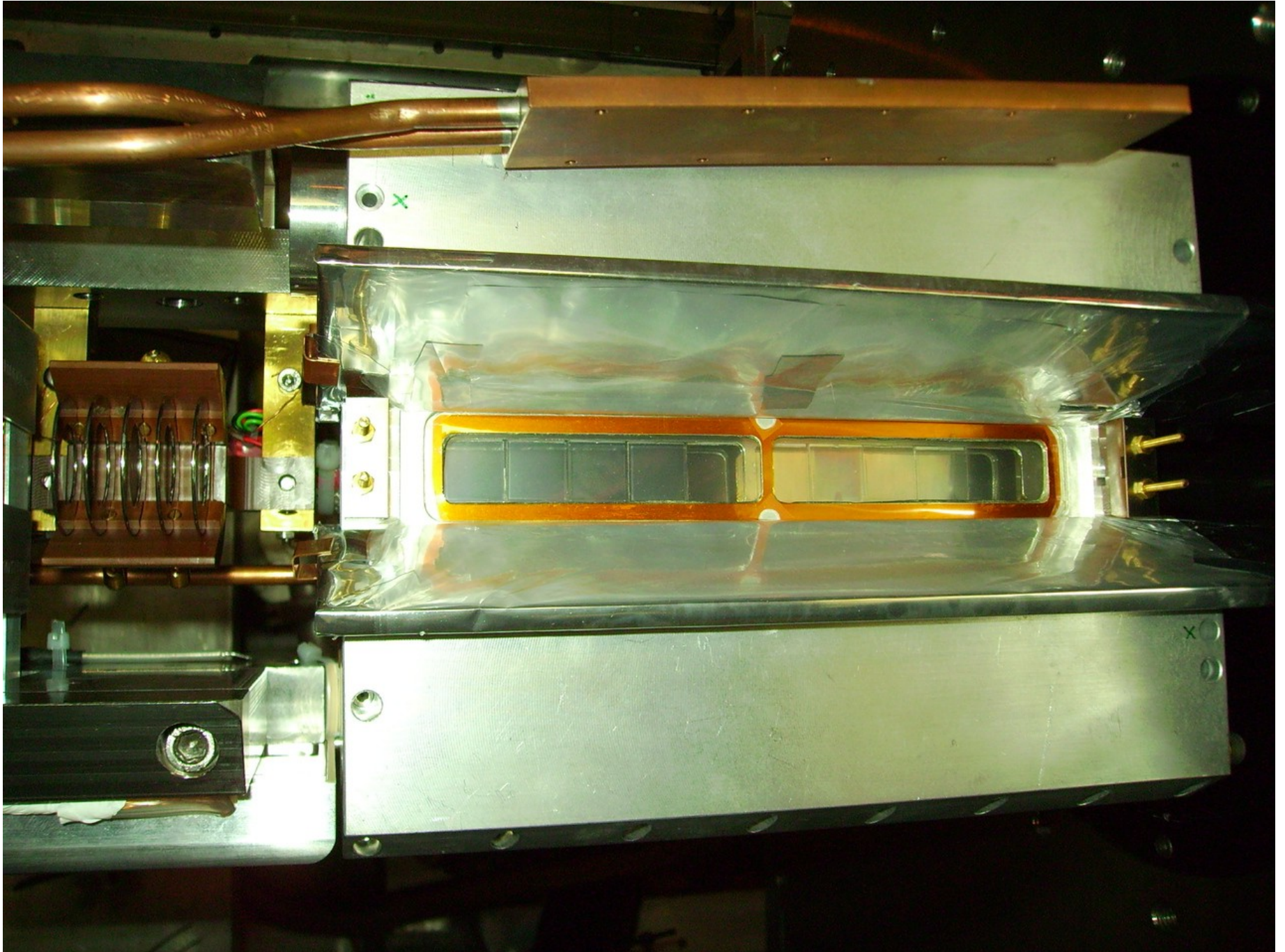
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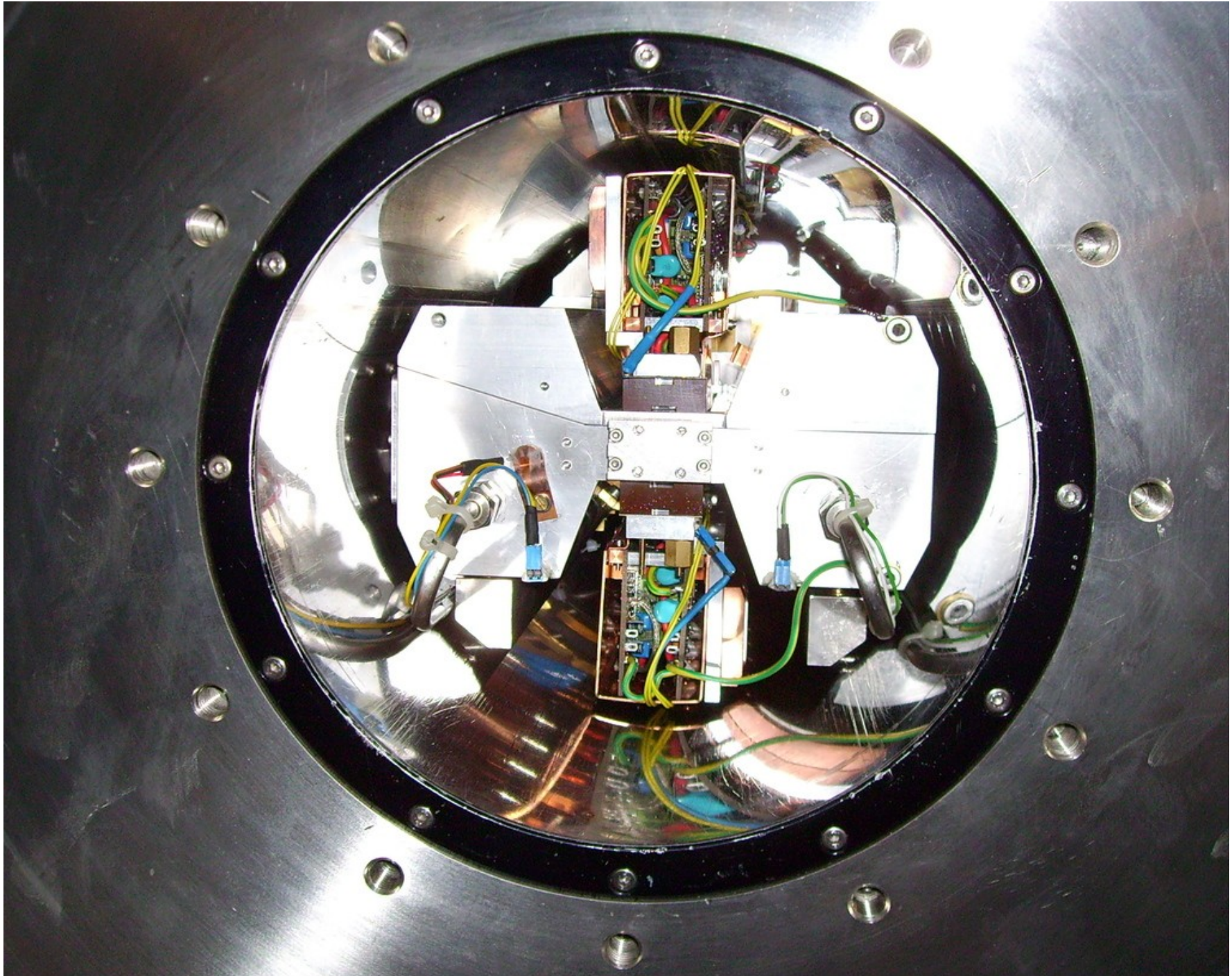
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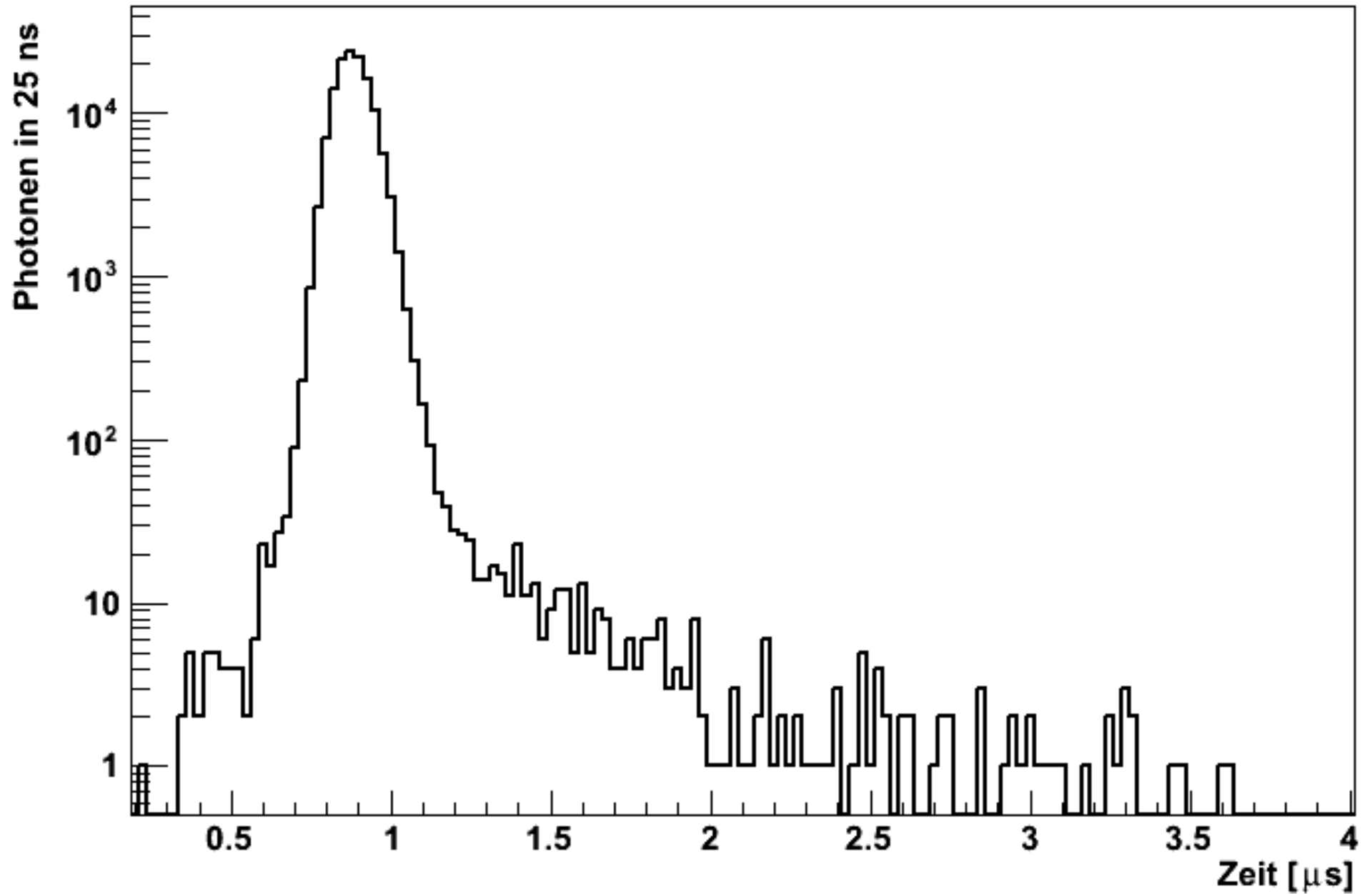


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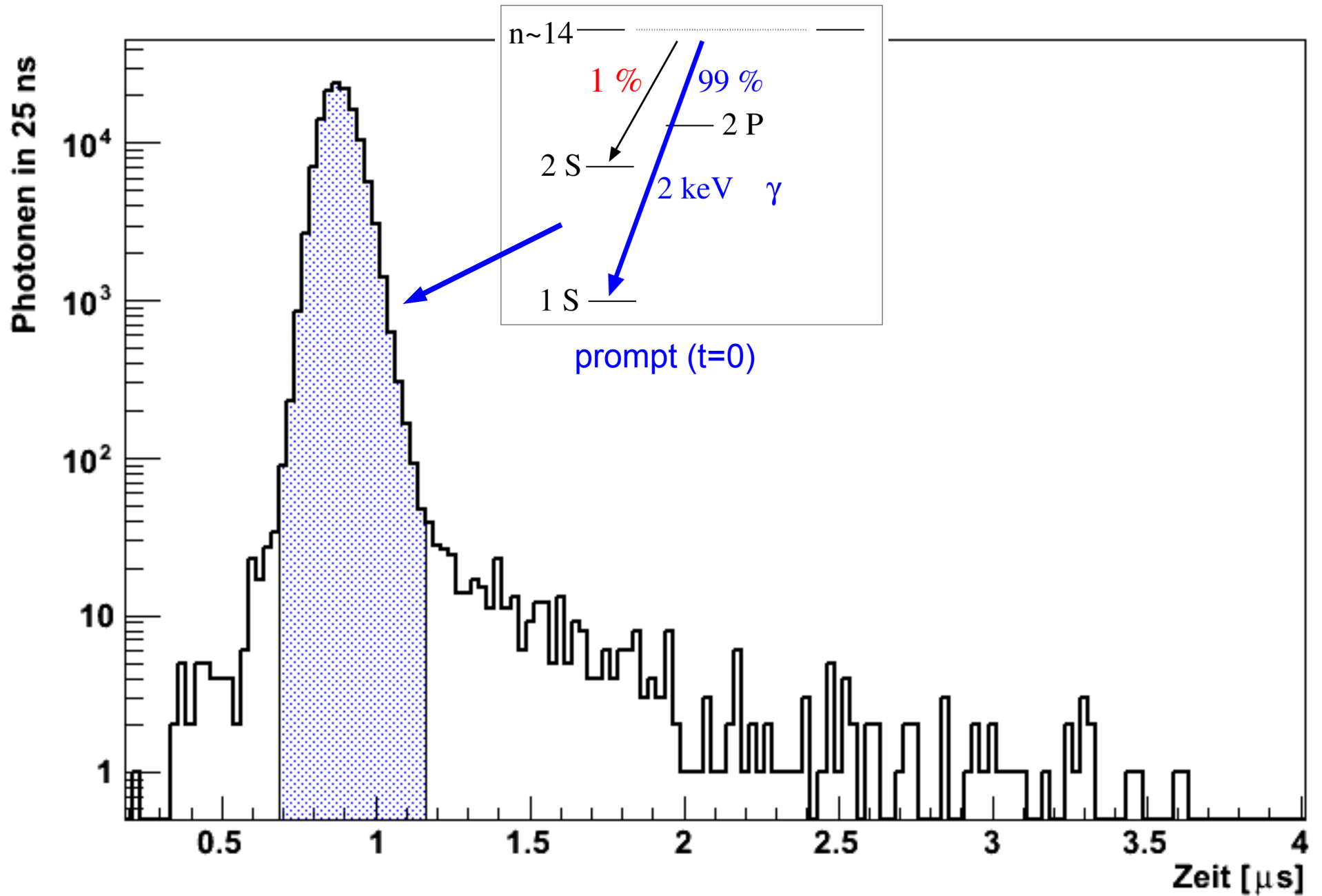
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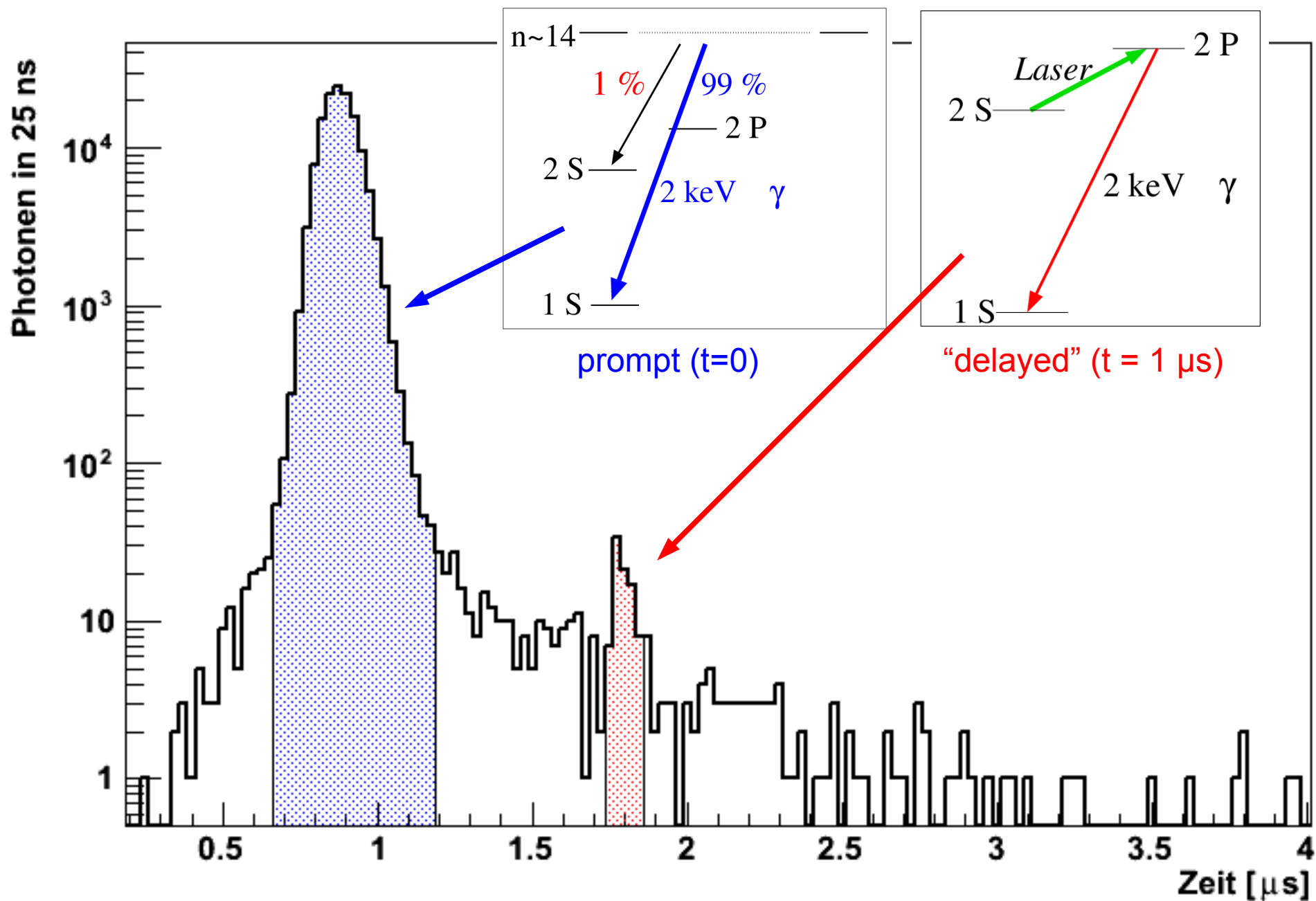


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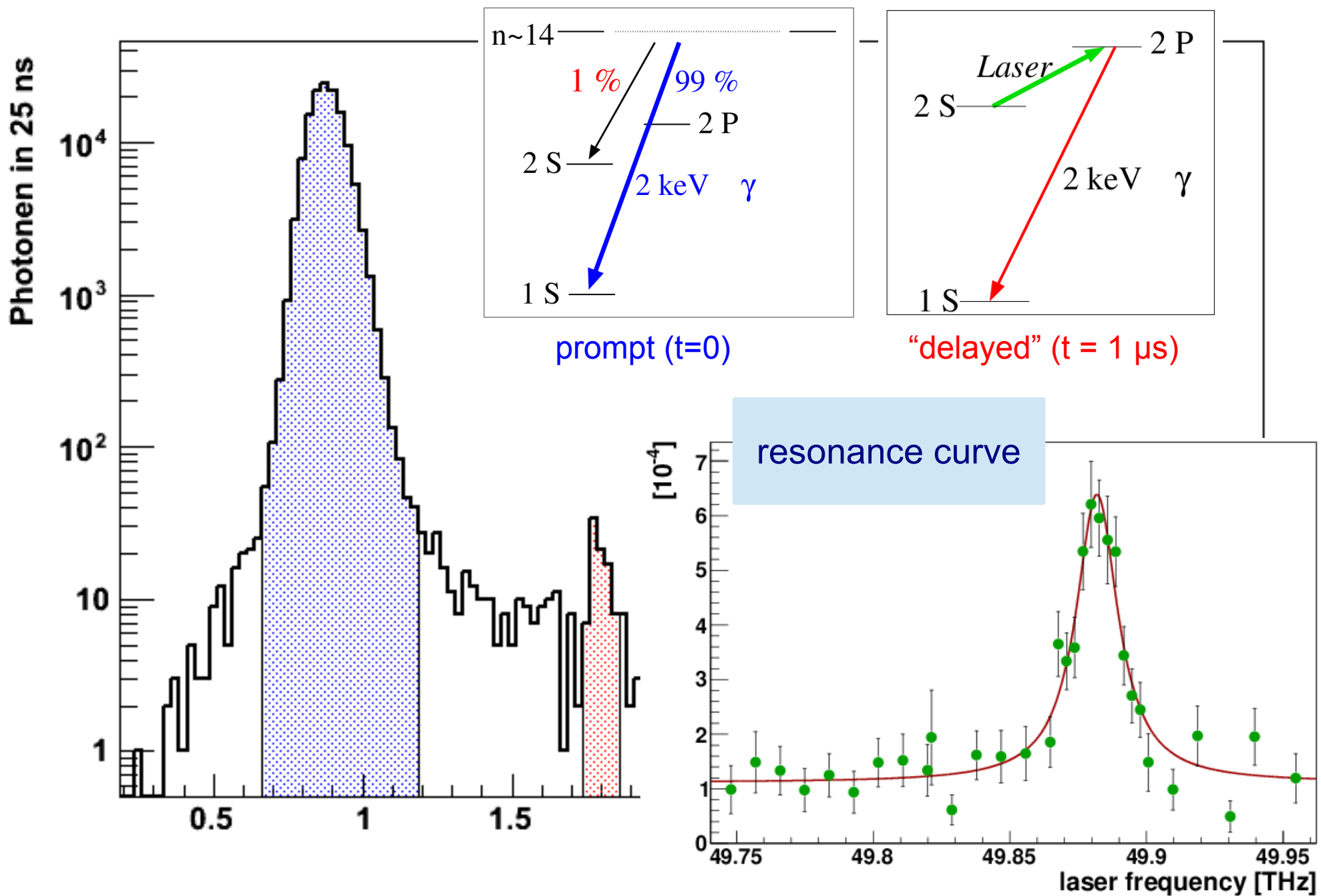
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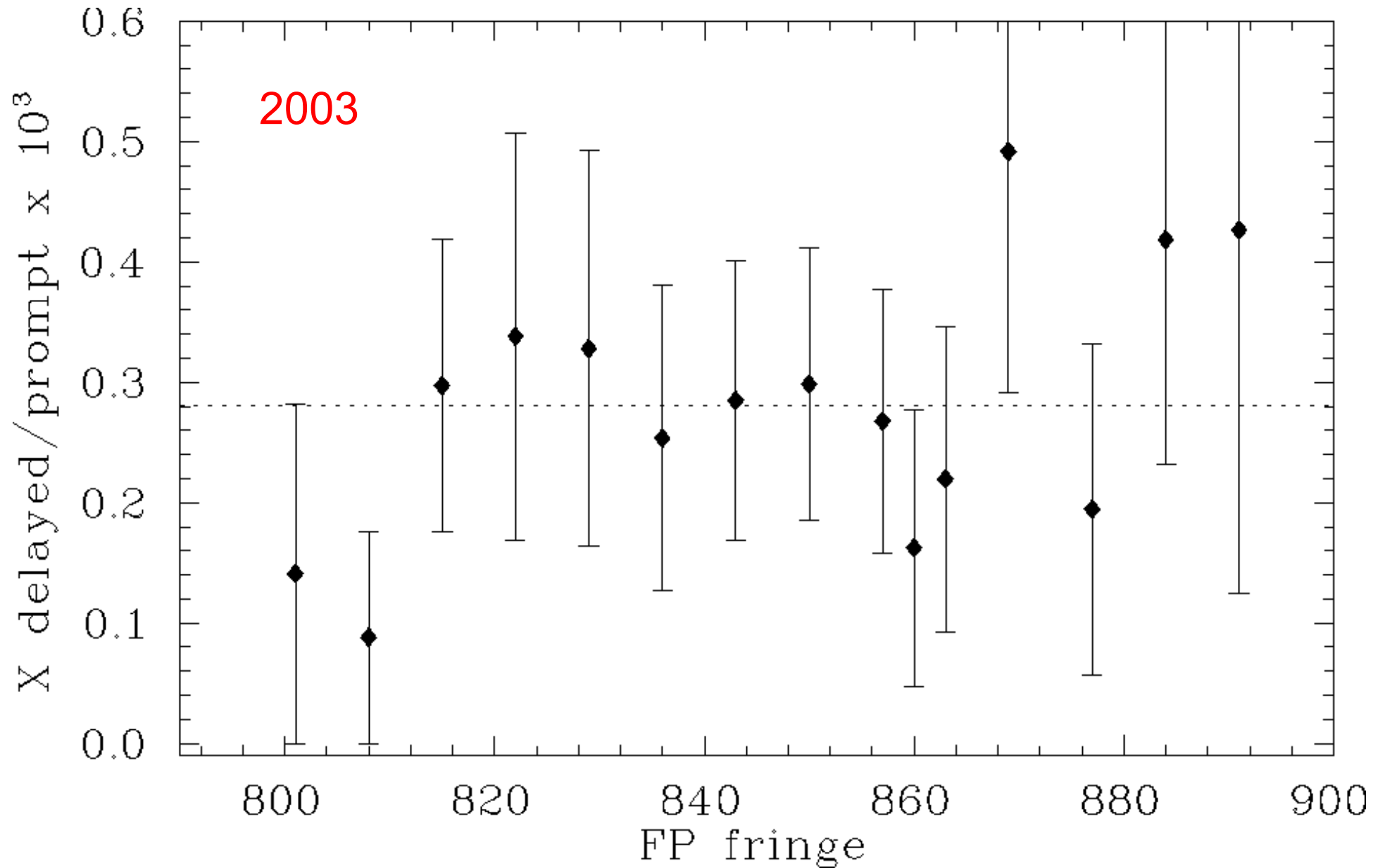
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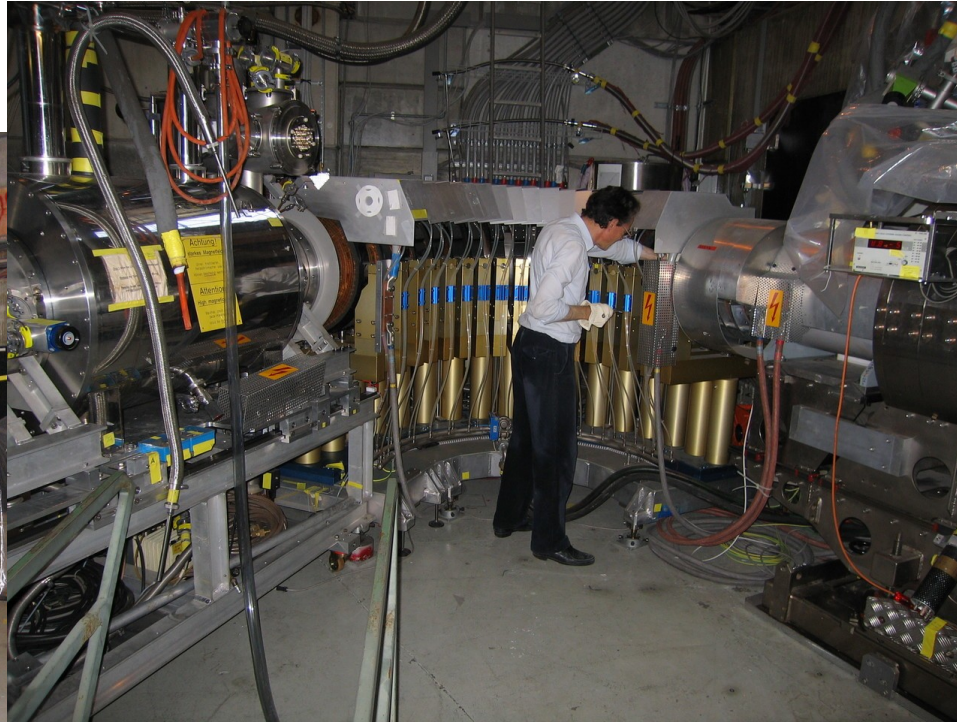
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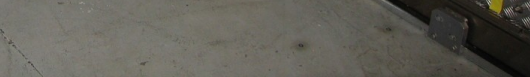
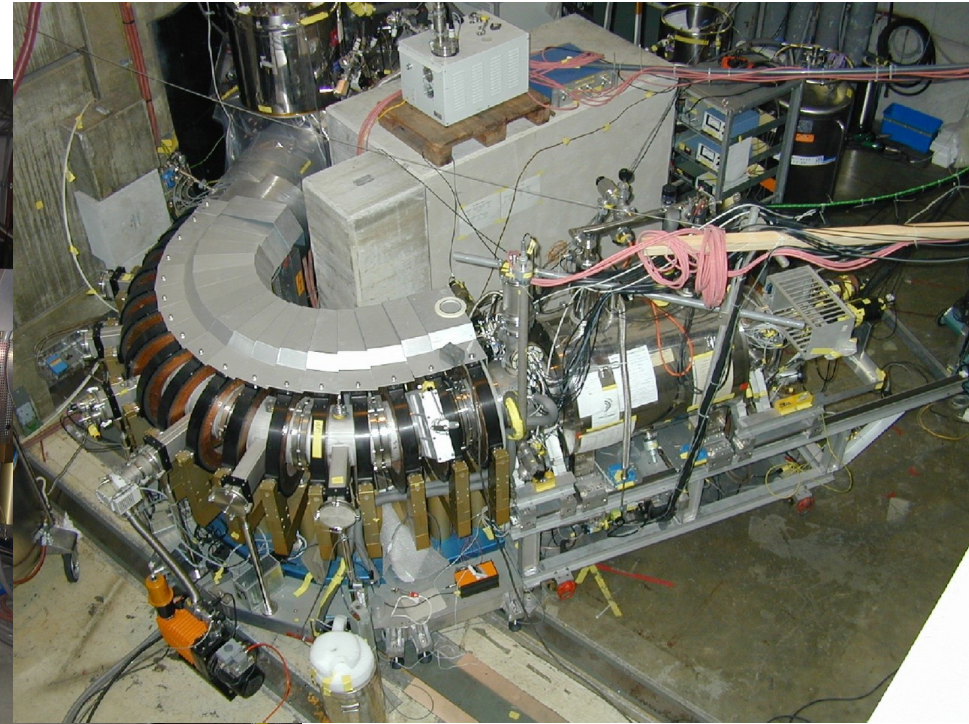
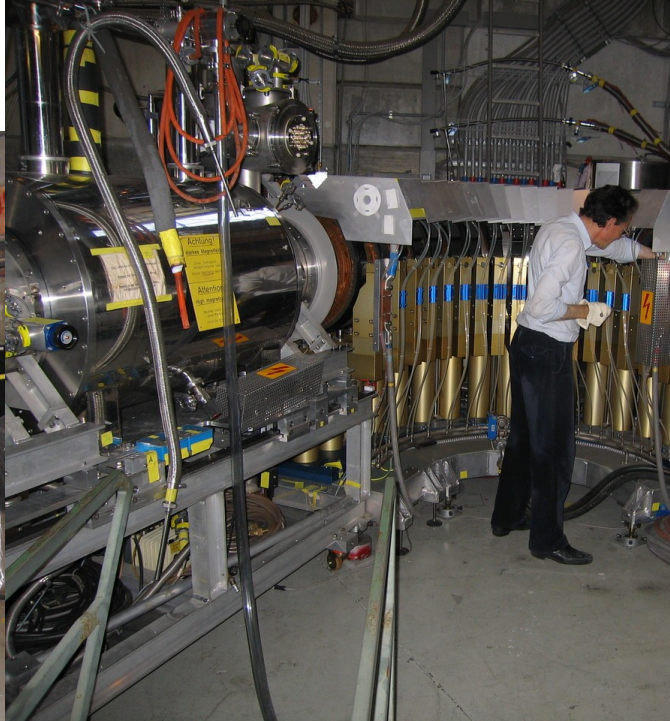
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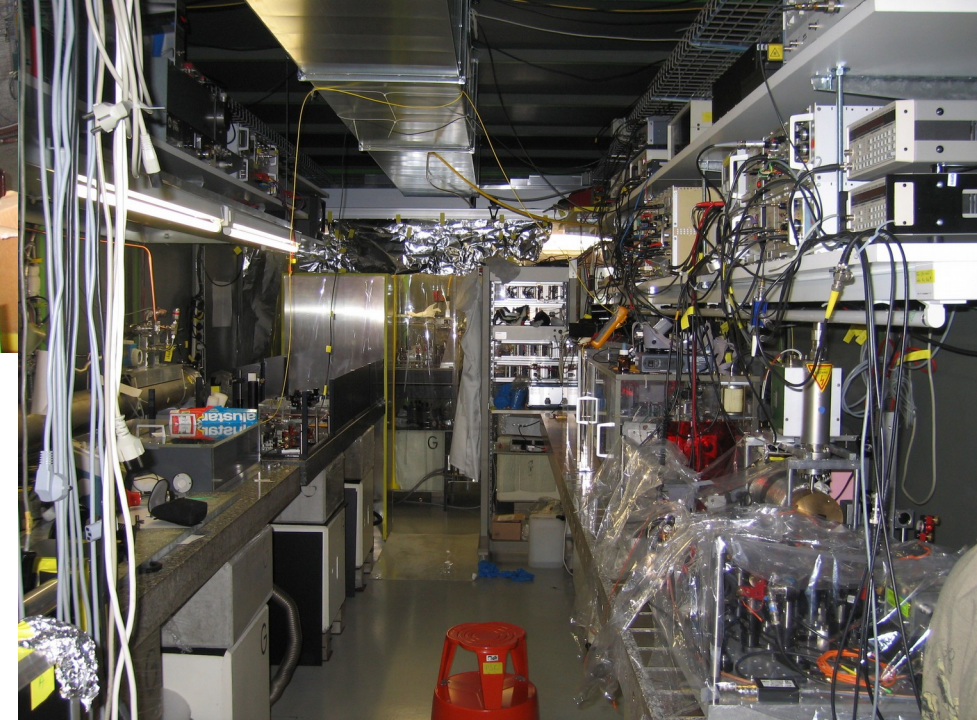
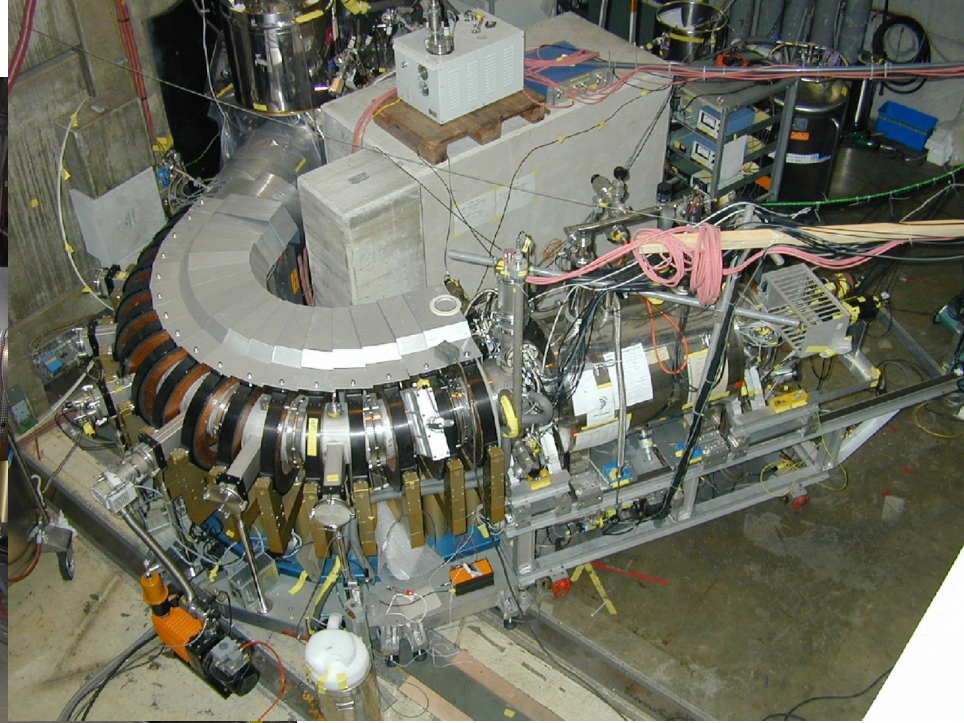
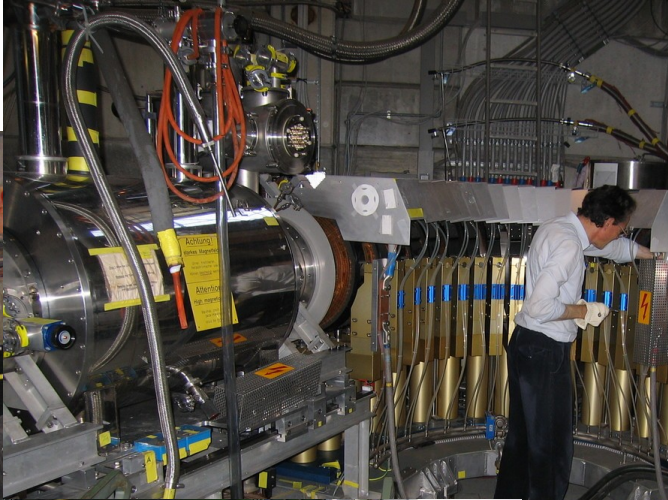
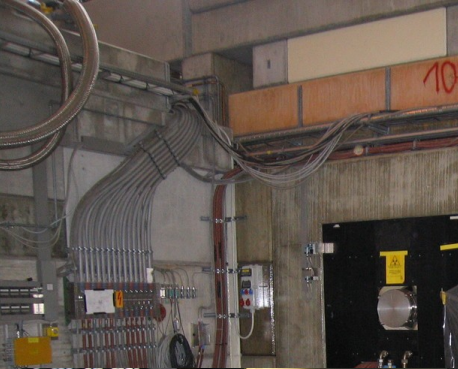
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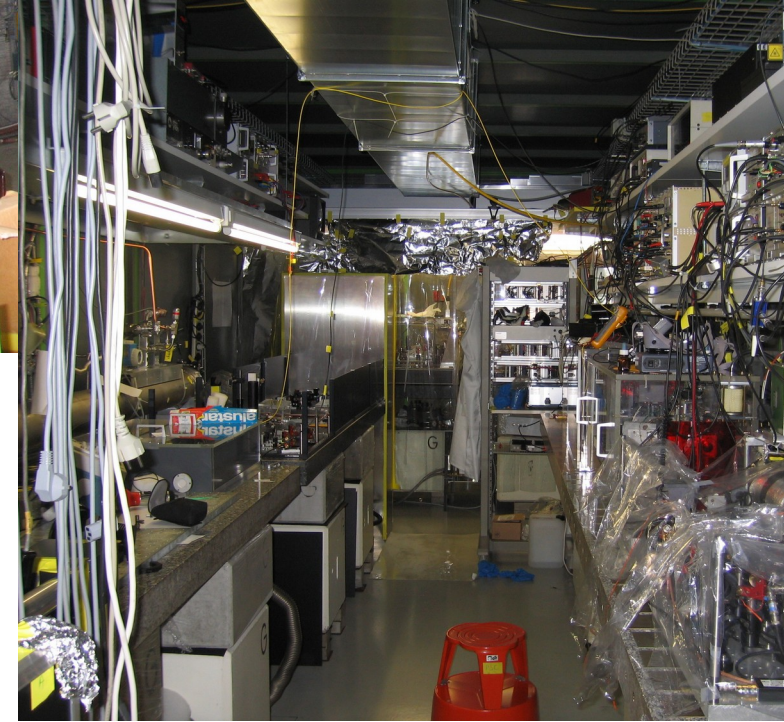
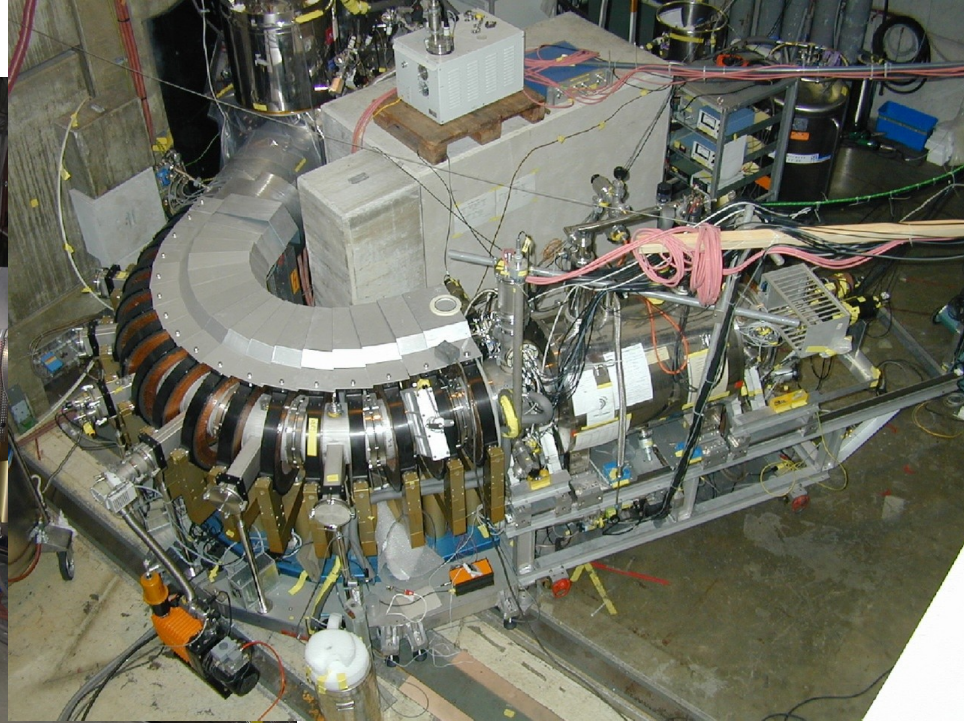
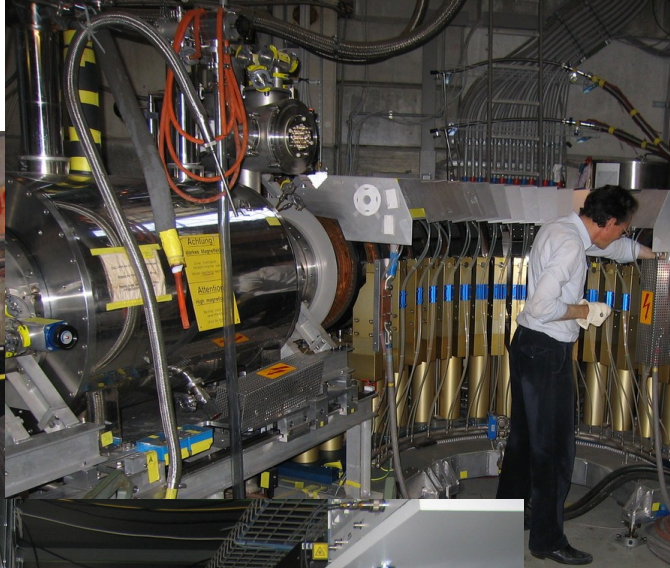
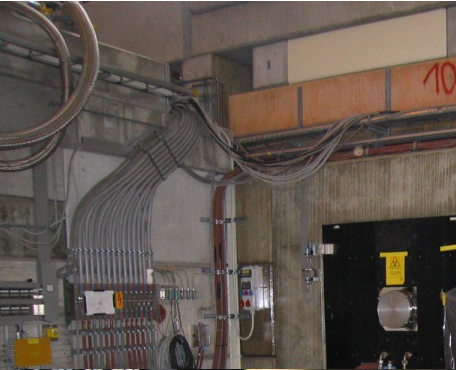
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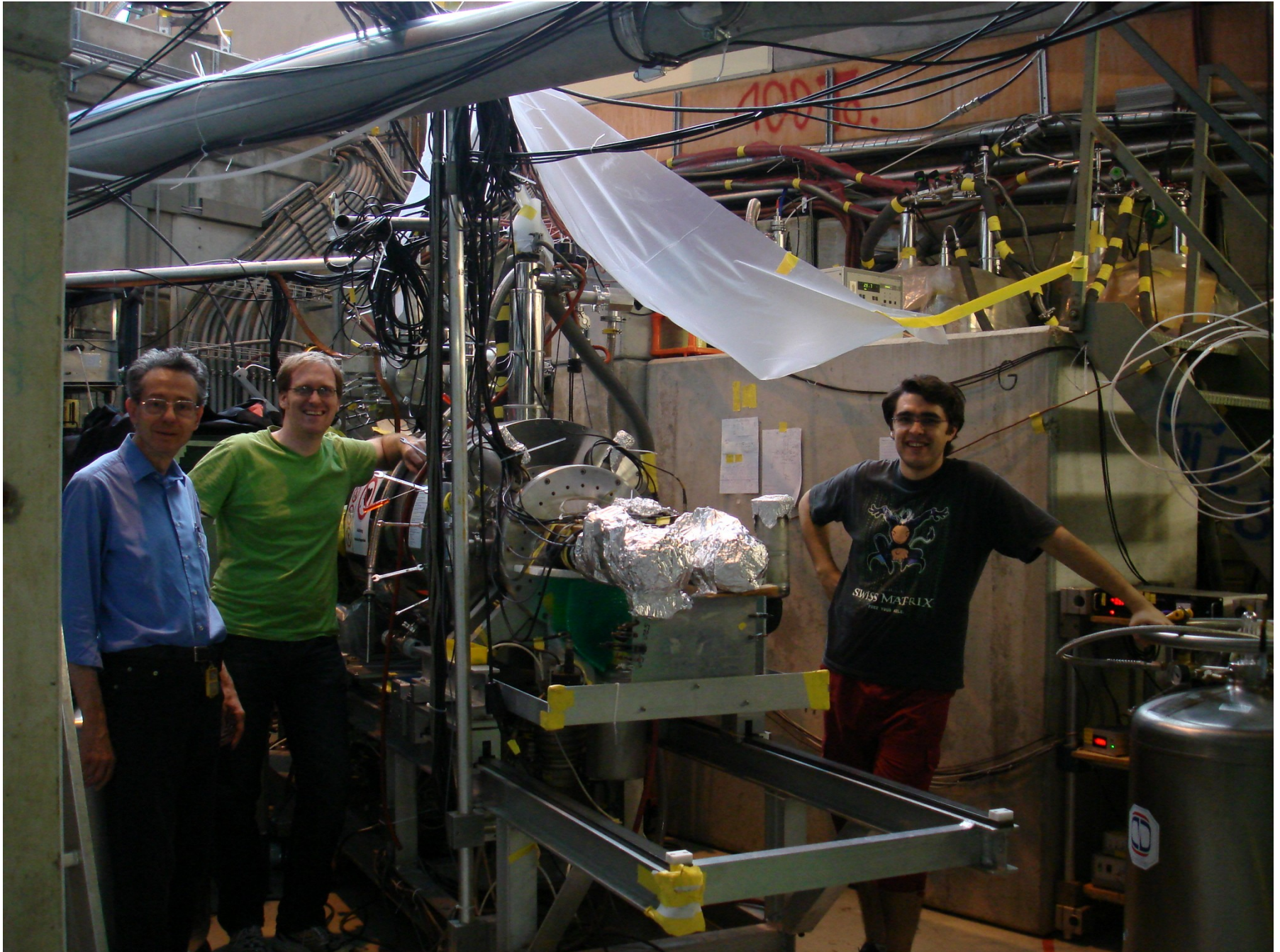
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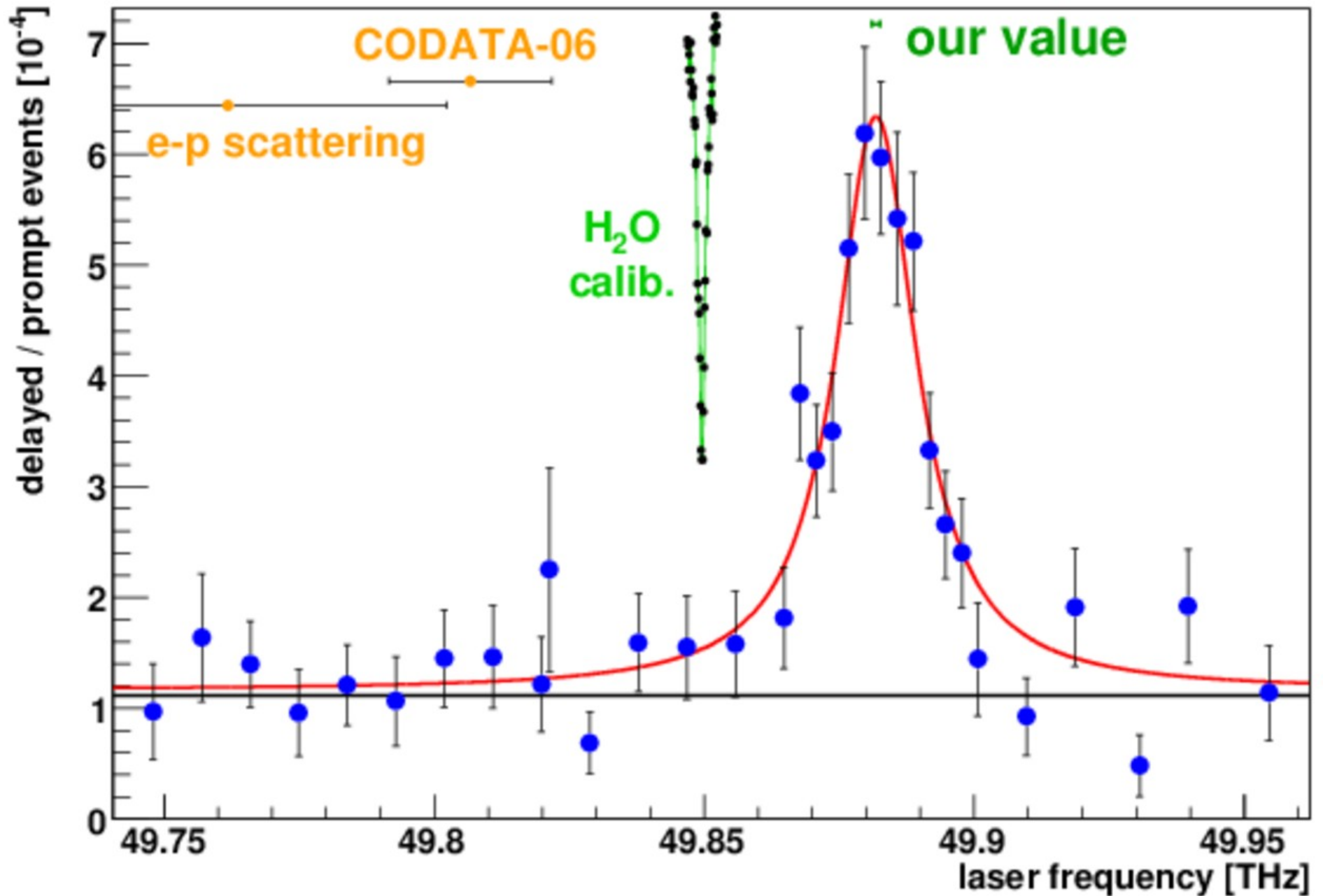
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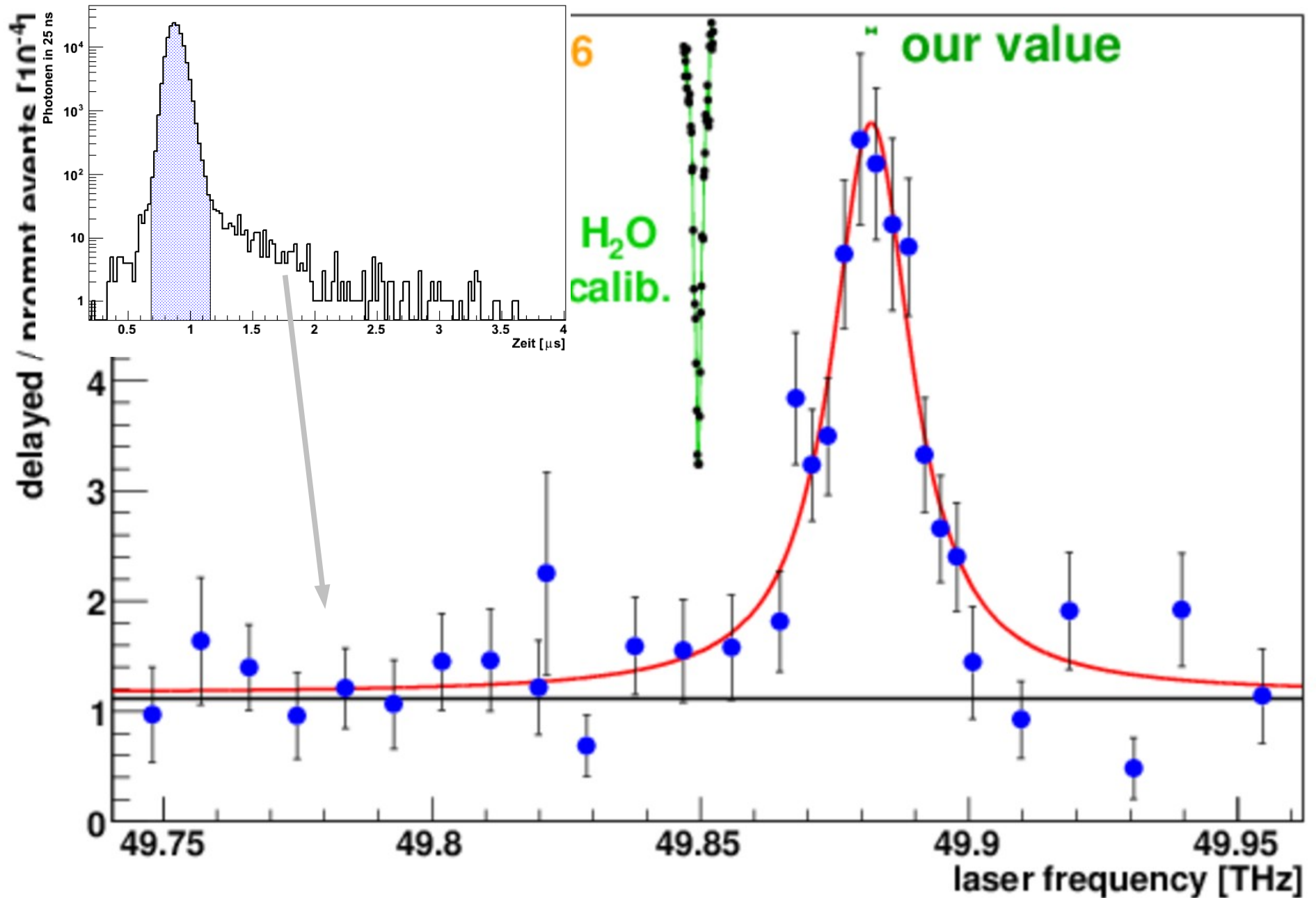
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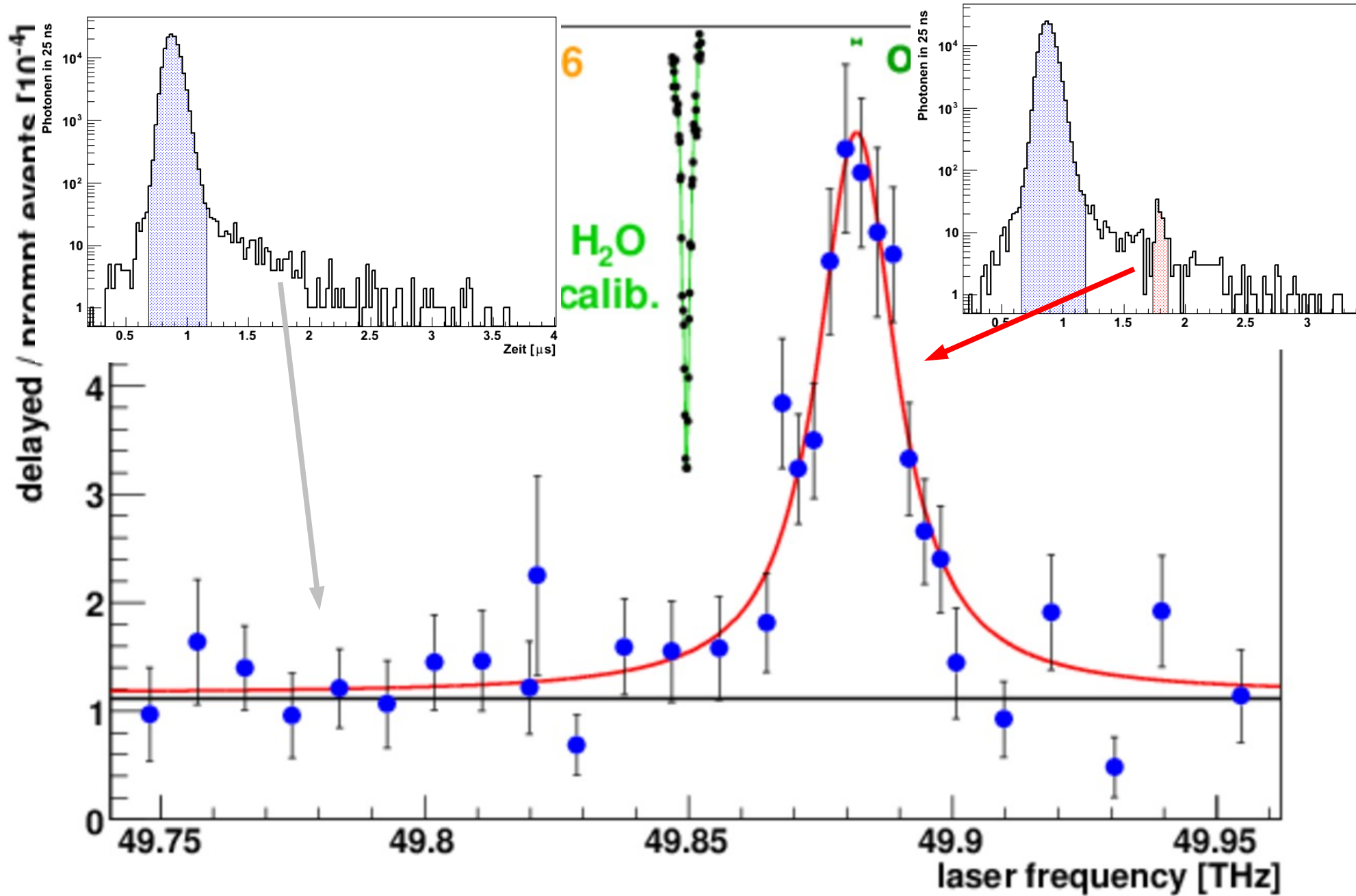
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Yeah!



To the Resonance!



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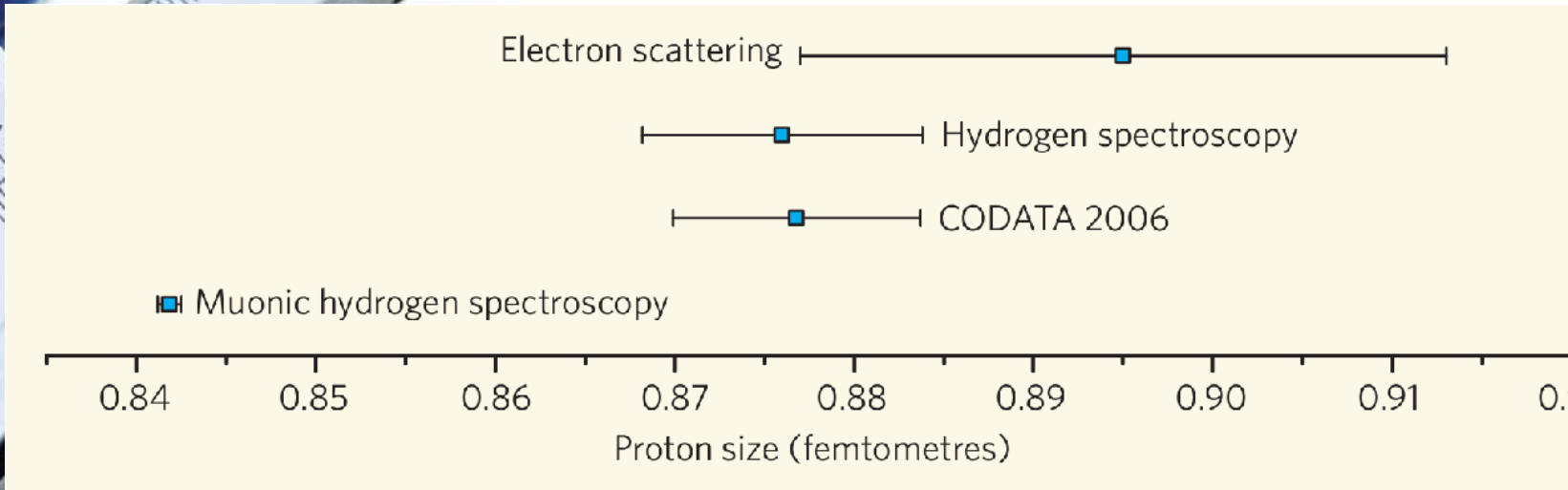
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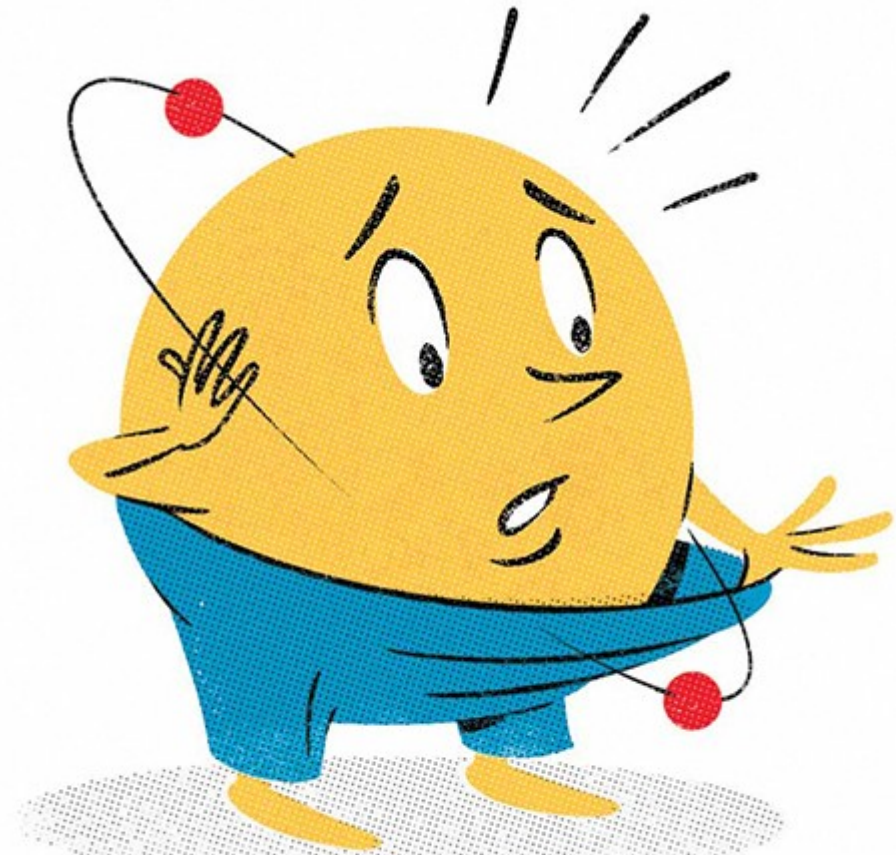
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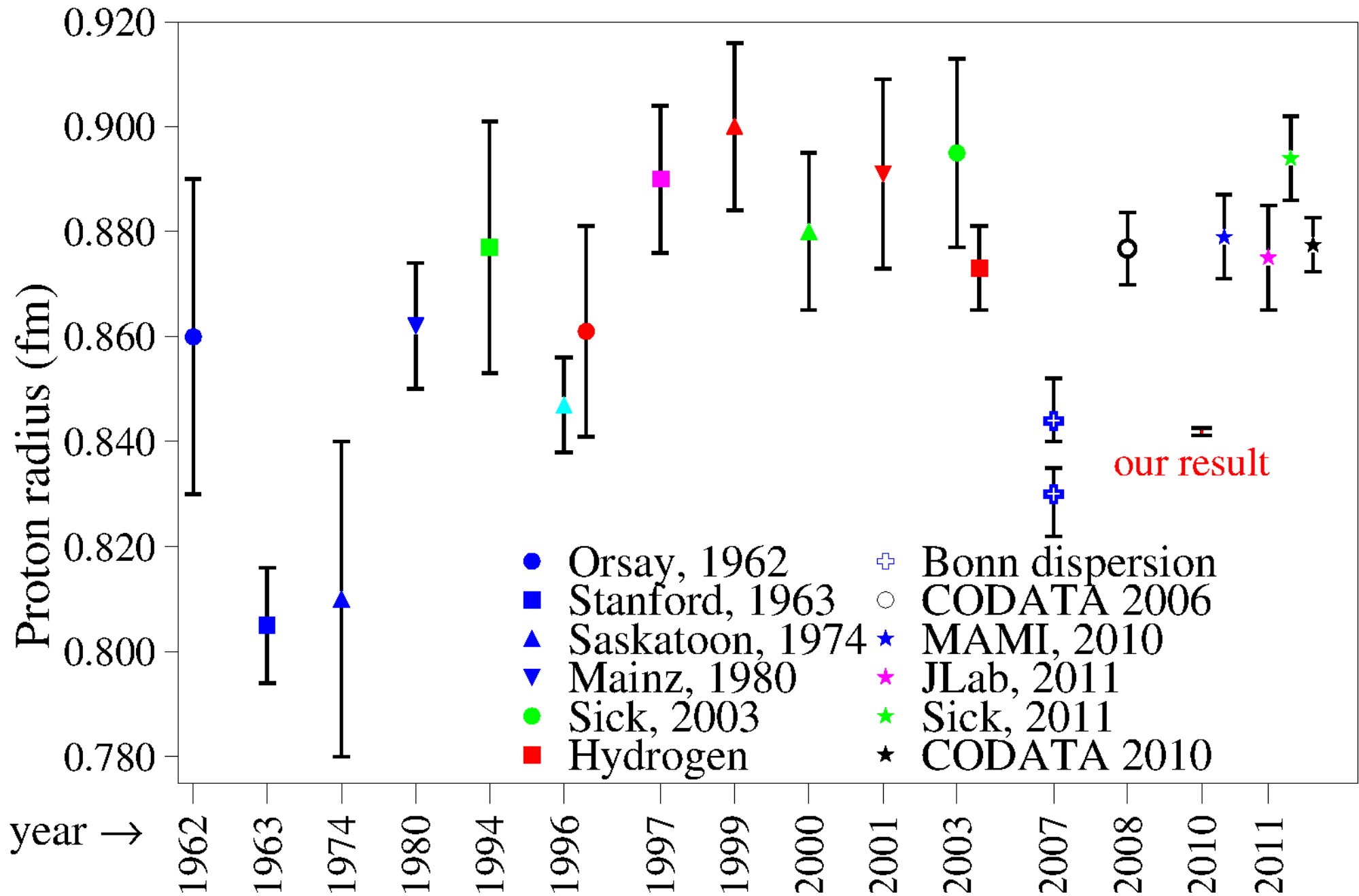
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electronic hydrogen: 0.88 fm

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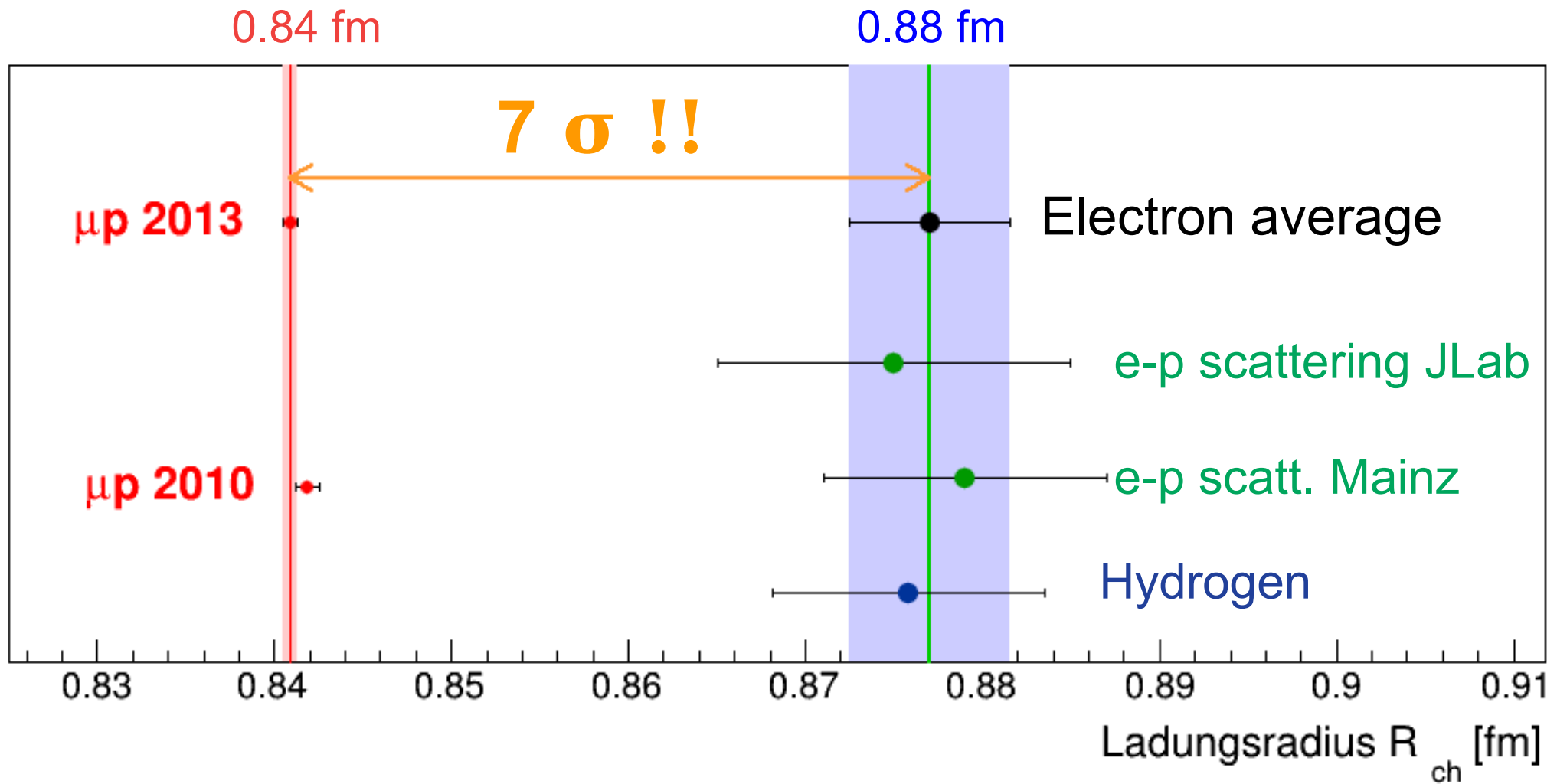
4% difference!

Measurement error? ← but who is wrong?

Theory error?

New Physics?

Das "Proton Radius Puzzle"



muonic hydrogen:	0.8409 ± 0.0004 fm	20x more precise!
electronic hydrogen:	0.876 ± 0.008 fm	
electron scattering:	0.879 ± 0.008 fm	

Workshop: The “Proton Radius Puzzle”



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Follow-up conferences

* **Mainz 2014**

* **Trento 2016**

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Attempts to Explain

Measurement problem

Muonic hydrogen

or

Hydrogen AND Electron scattering

Theory Errorr

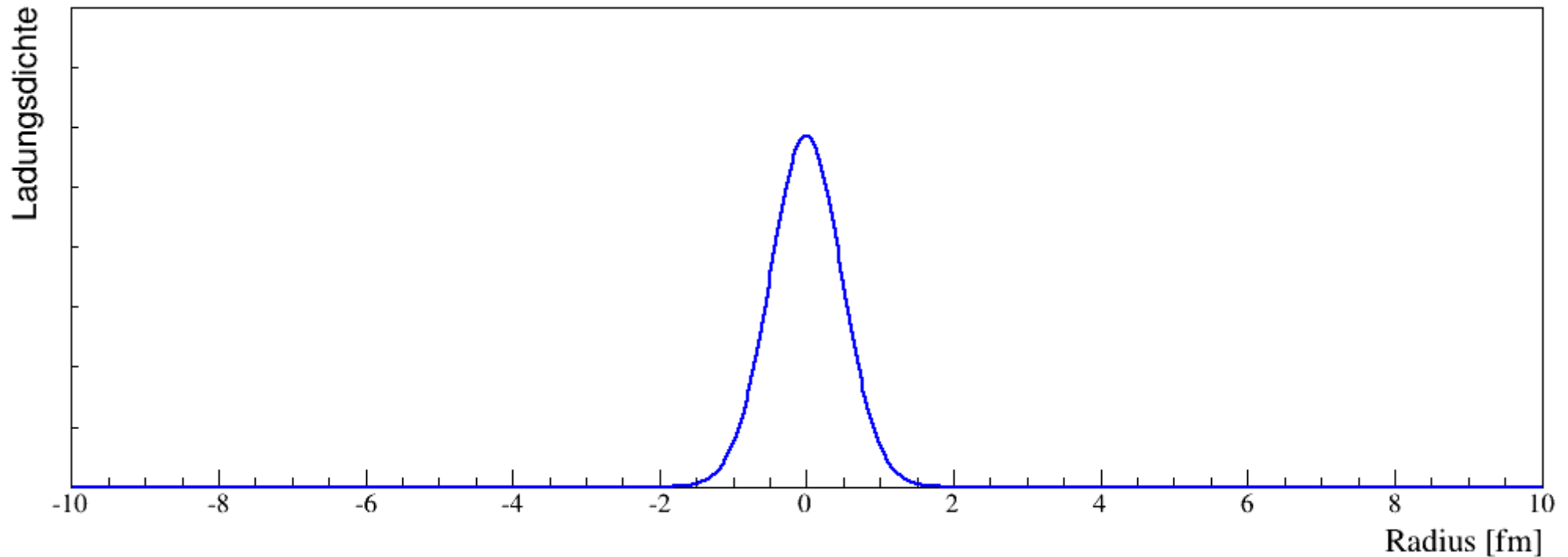
$$\Delta E = 209.998 - 5.226 R_p^2$$

Error in Standard Model of Particle Physics

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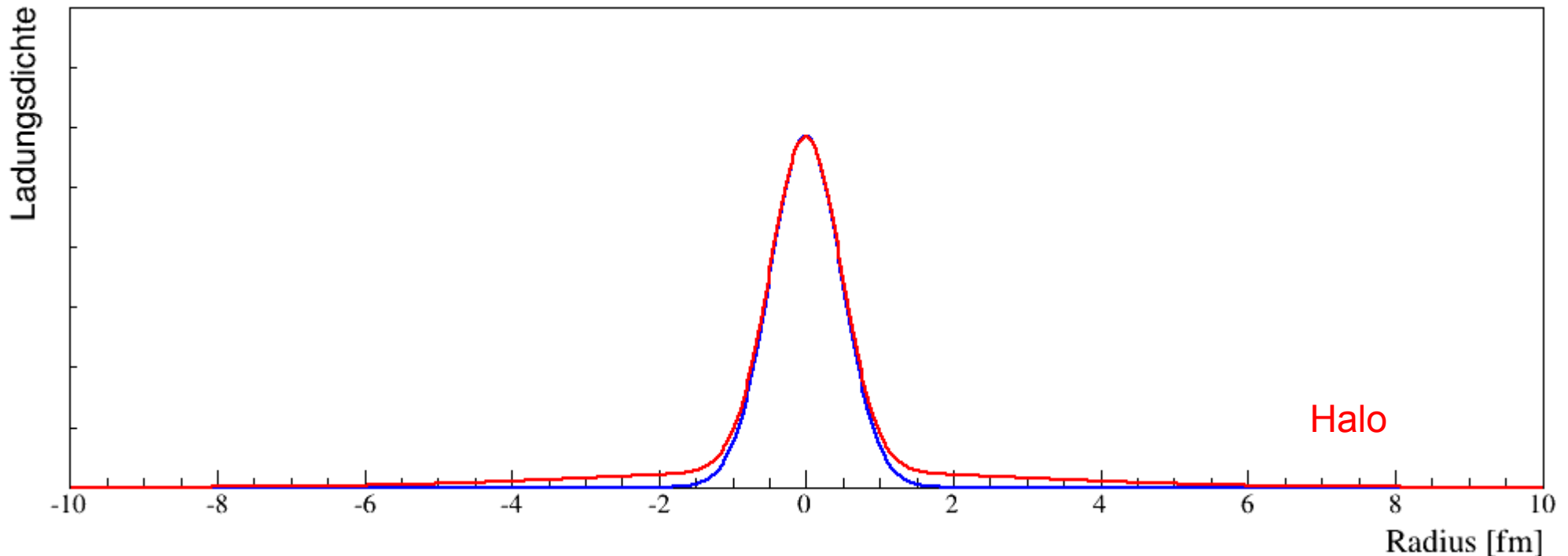
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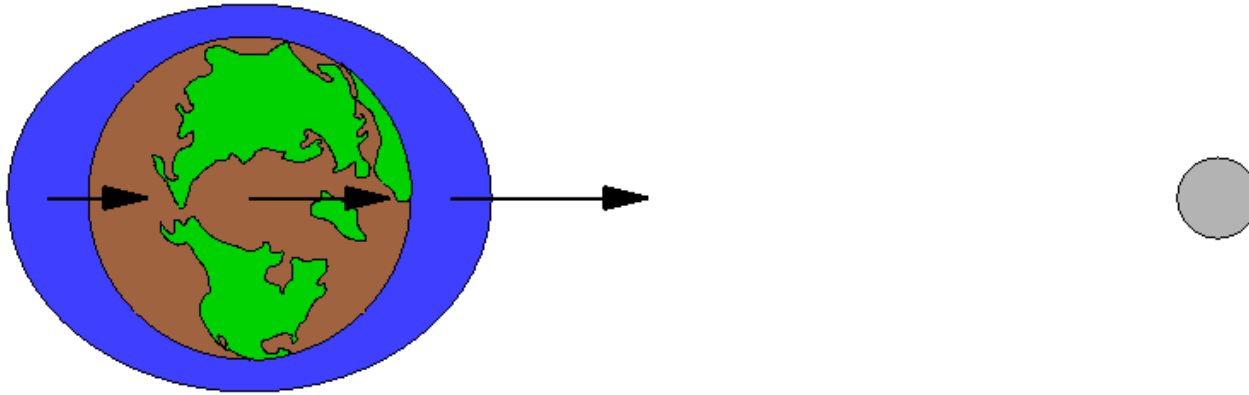


Such a **long-range halo** would explain the discrepancy!
Is however in disagreement with scattering measurements of halo.

3^{rd} Zemach moment: 37 fm^3 vs. $2.7 \pm 0.1 \text{ fm}^3$

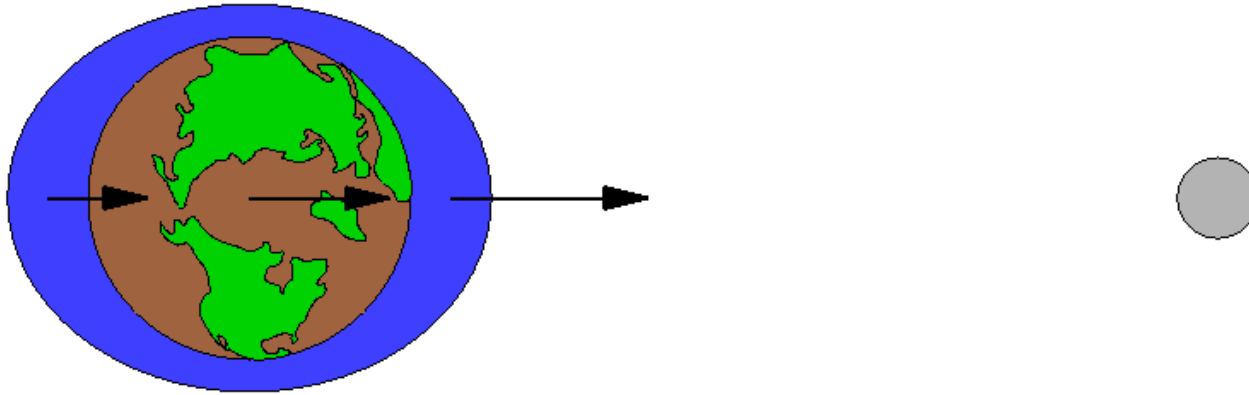
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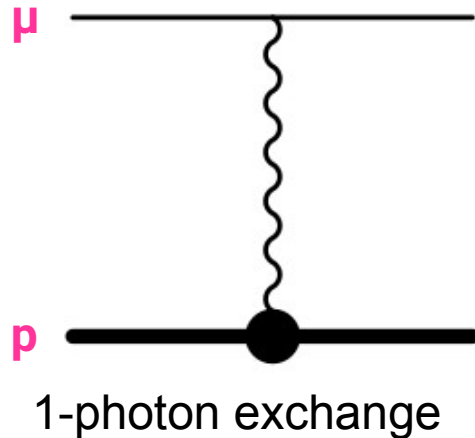


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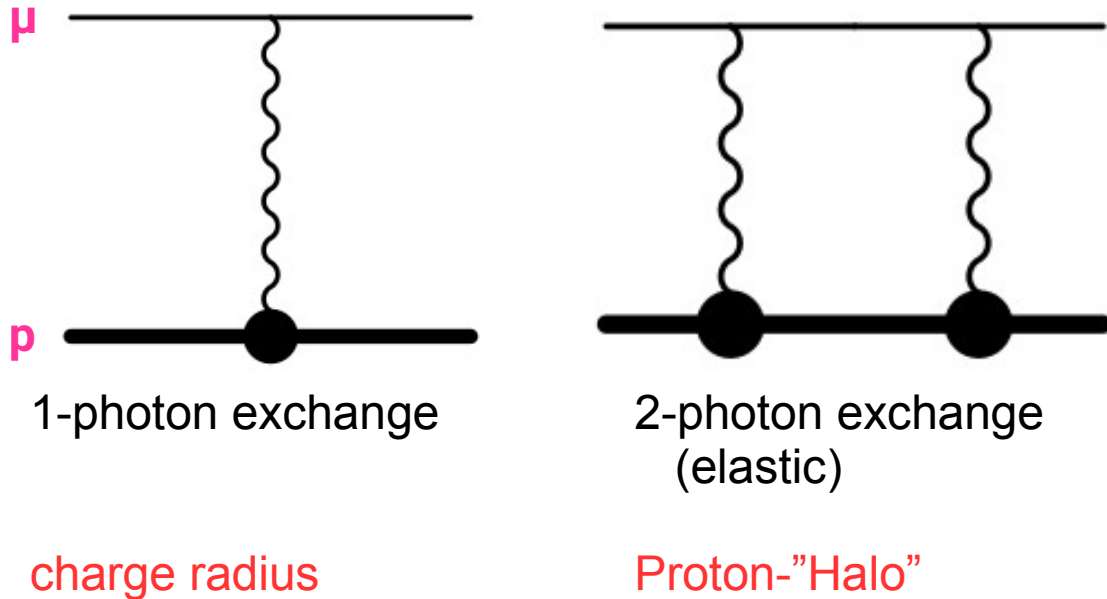
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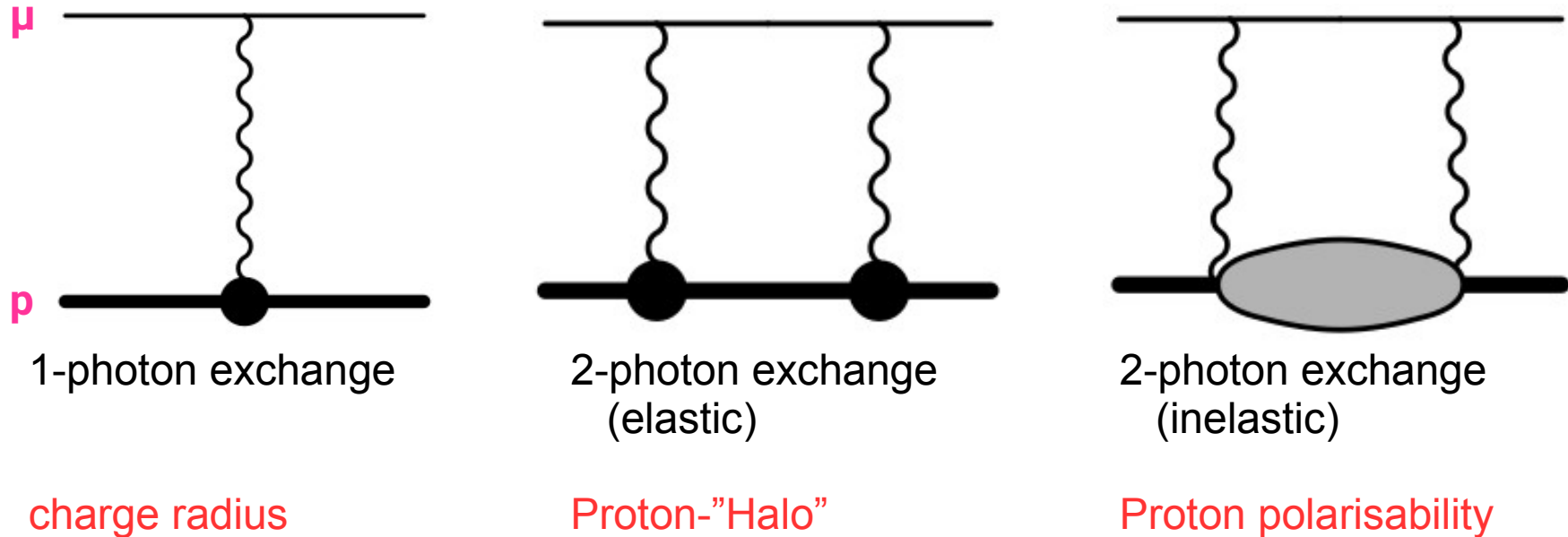


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A new particle!

mass →	$\approx 2.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 1.275 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$\approx 173.07 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	$\approx 126 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
charge →	$2/3$	$2/3$	$2/3$	0	0
spin →	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	1	0
	u up	c charm	t top	g gluon	H Higgs boson
QUARKS	$\approx 4.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 95 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 4.18 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	
	$-1/3$	$-1/3$	$-1/3$	0	
	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	1	
	d down	s strange	b bottom	γ photon	
	$0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$105.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$1.777 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$91.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	
	-1	-1	-1	0	
	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	1	
	e electron	μ muon	τ tau	Z Z boson	
LEPTONS	$< 2.2 \text{ eV}/c^2$	$< 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$< 15.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$80.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	
	0	0	0	± 1	
	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	1	
	ν_e electron neutrino	ν_μ muon neutrino	ν_τ tau neutrino	W W boson	
				GAUGE BOSONS	

Gravity!

Dark Matter?

Dark Energy?

Baryon asymmetry!

Strong CP-Problem!

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A new particle!

Physics beyond the Standard Model

could in principle be responsible for the discrepancy.

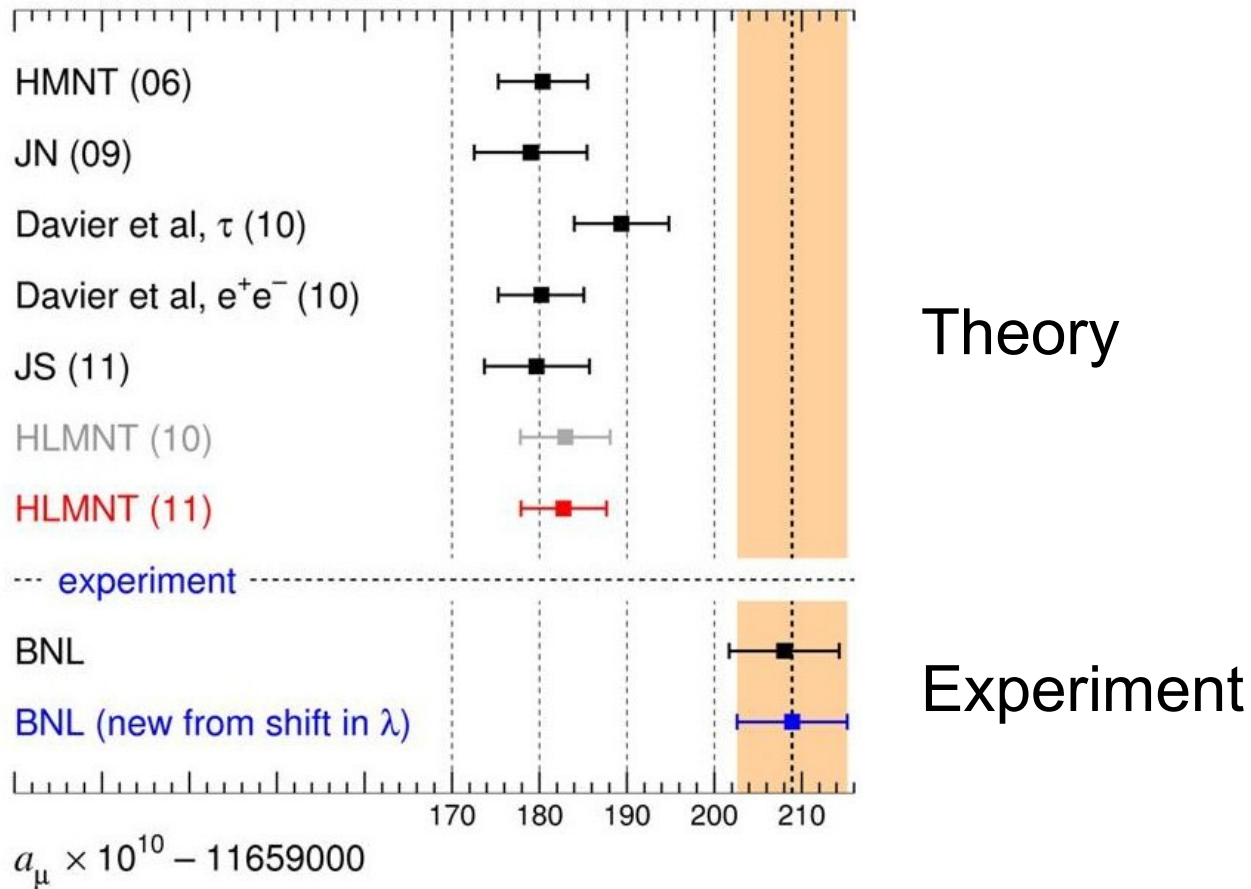
This would be a **new particle**, creating a **new force**!

New particle must fit into the constraints from many
Precision measurements!

Difficult.....

Two problems with muons!

Anomalous magnetic moment of the muon ($g-2$)



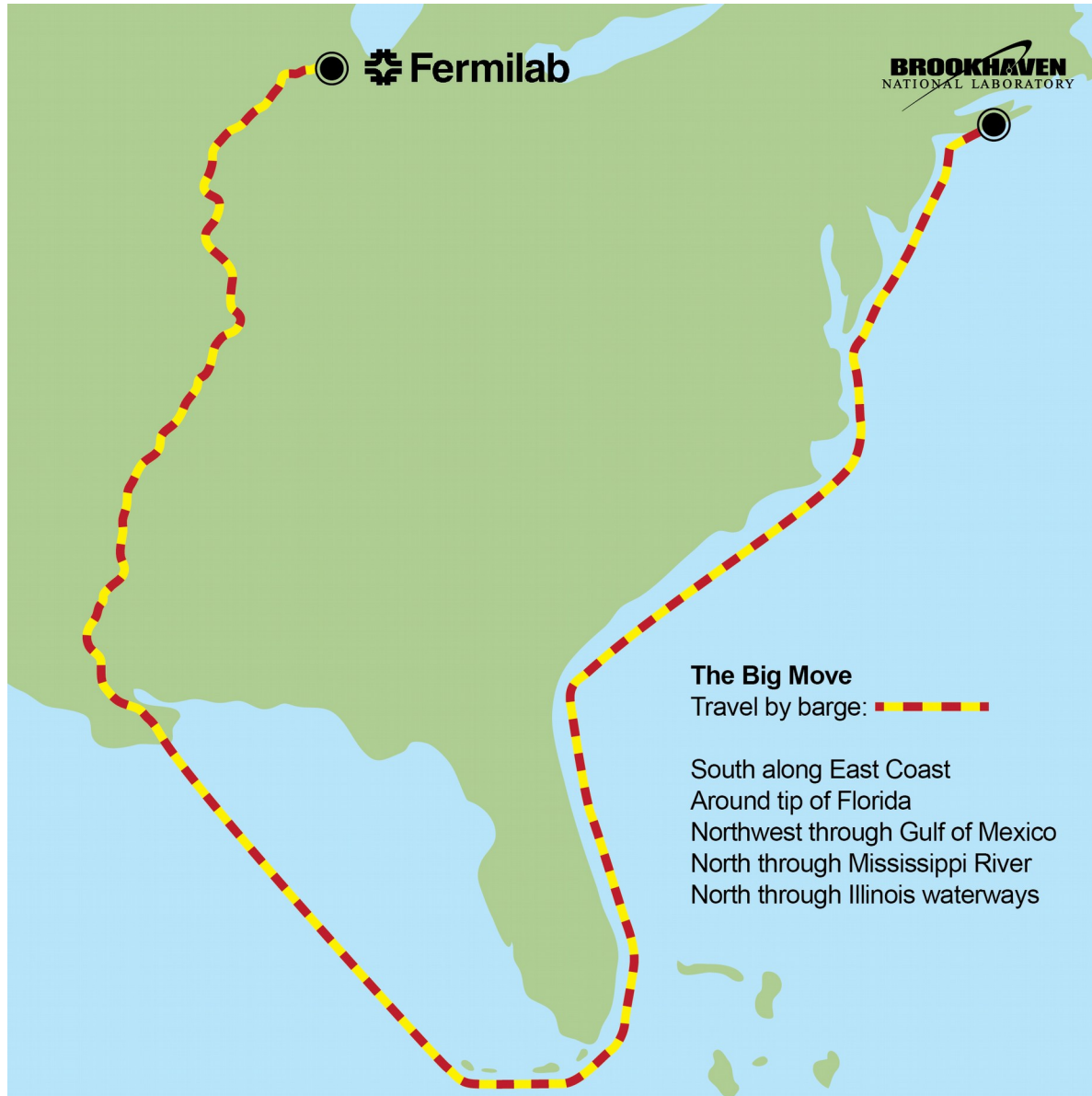
For 10 years now: 3.6 σ discrepancy to Standard Model

The new muon g-2 experiment



move: summer 2013
data taking: since 2017

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For example: **Muonic Deuterium, etc.**
Normal hydrogen
Electron scattering
Muon scattering

The “old” measurements

Electrons

CODATA-2014

0.83

0.84

0.85

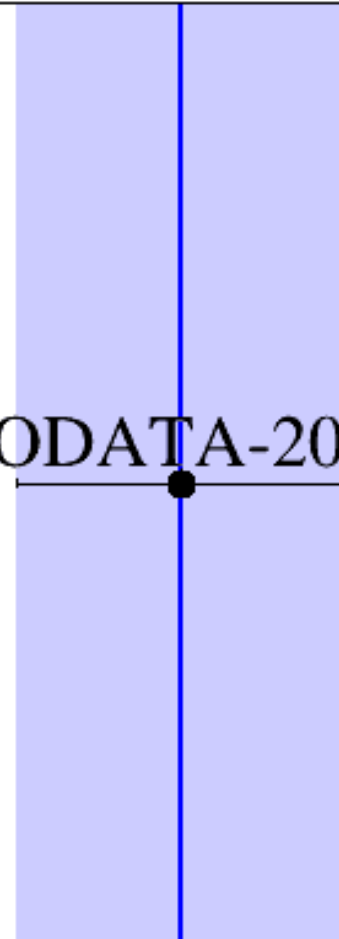
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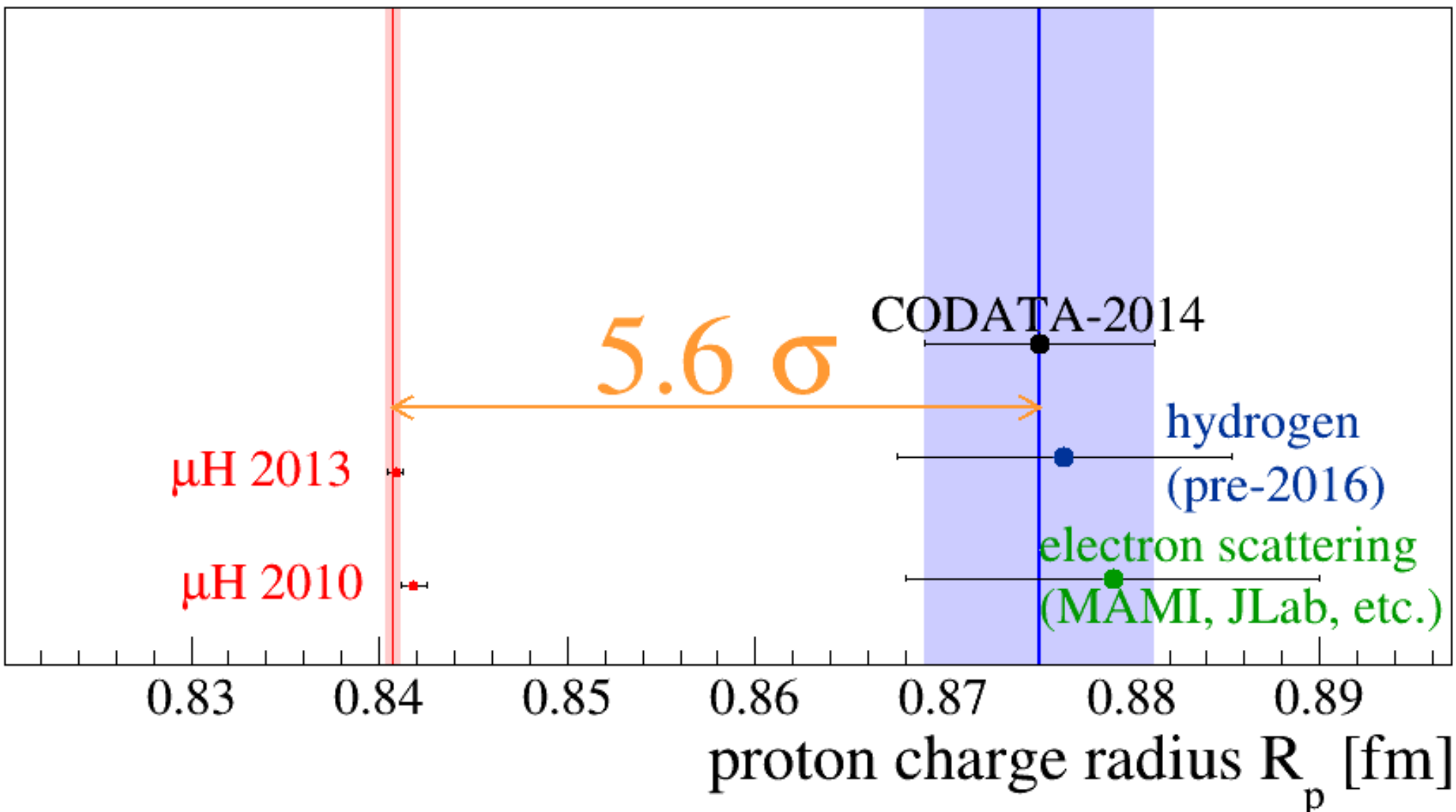
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The “Proton Radius Puzzle”

Muons

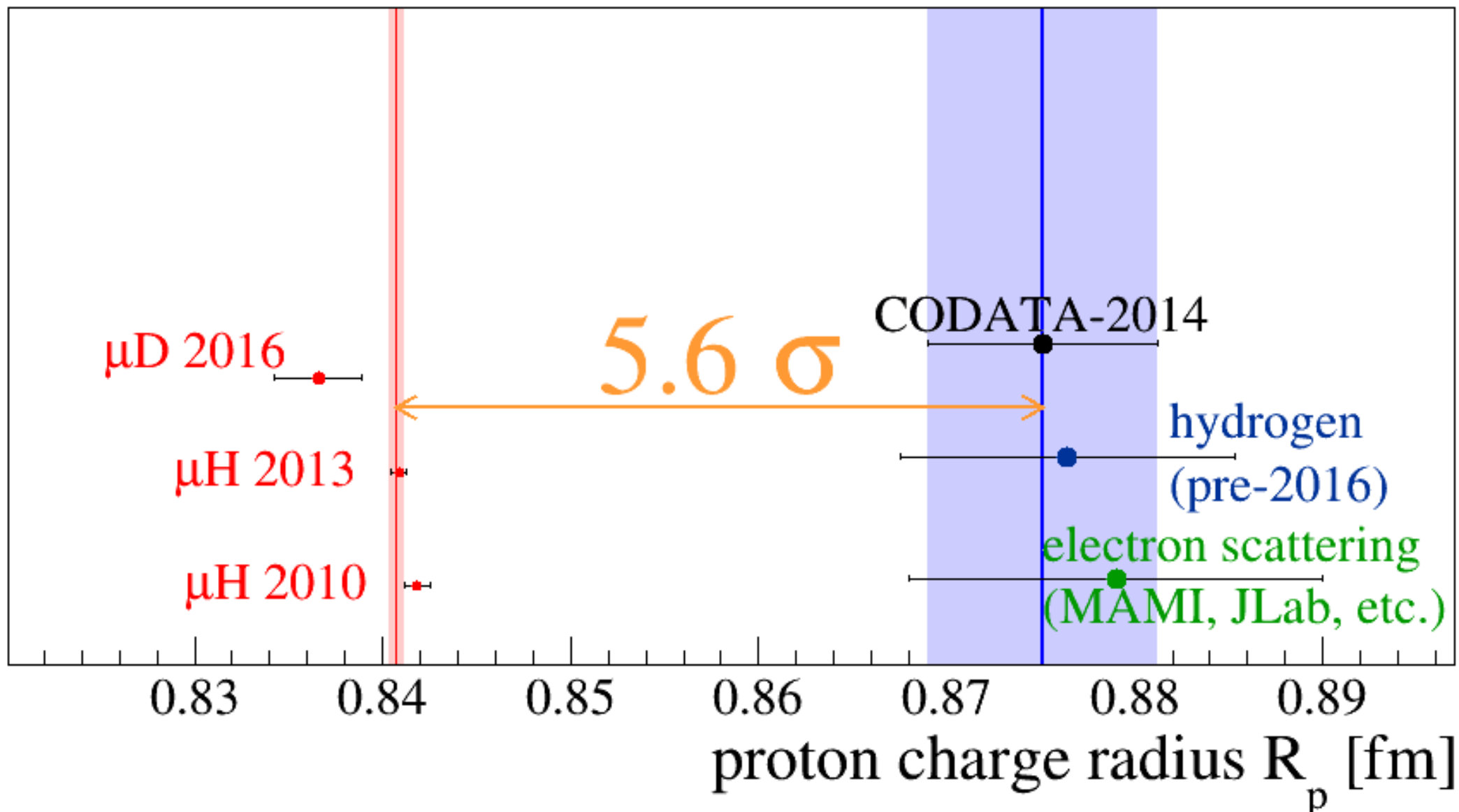
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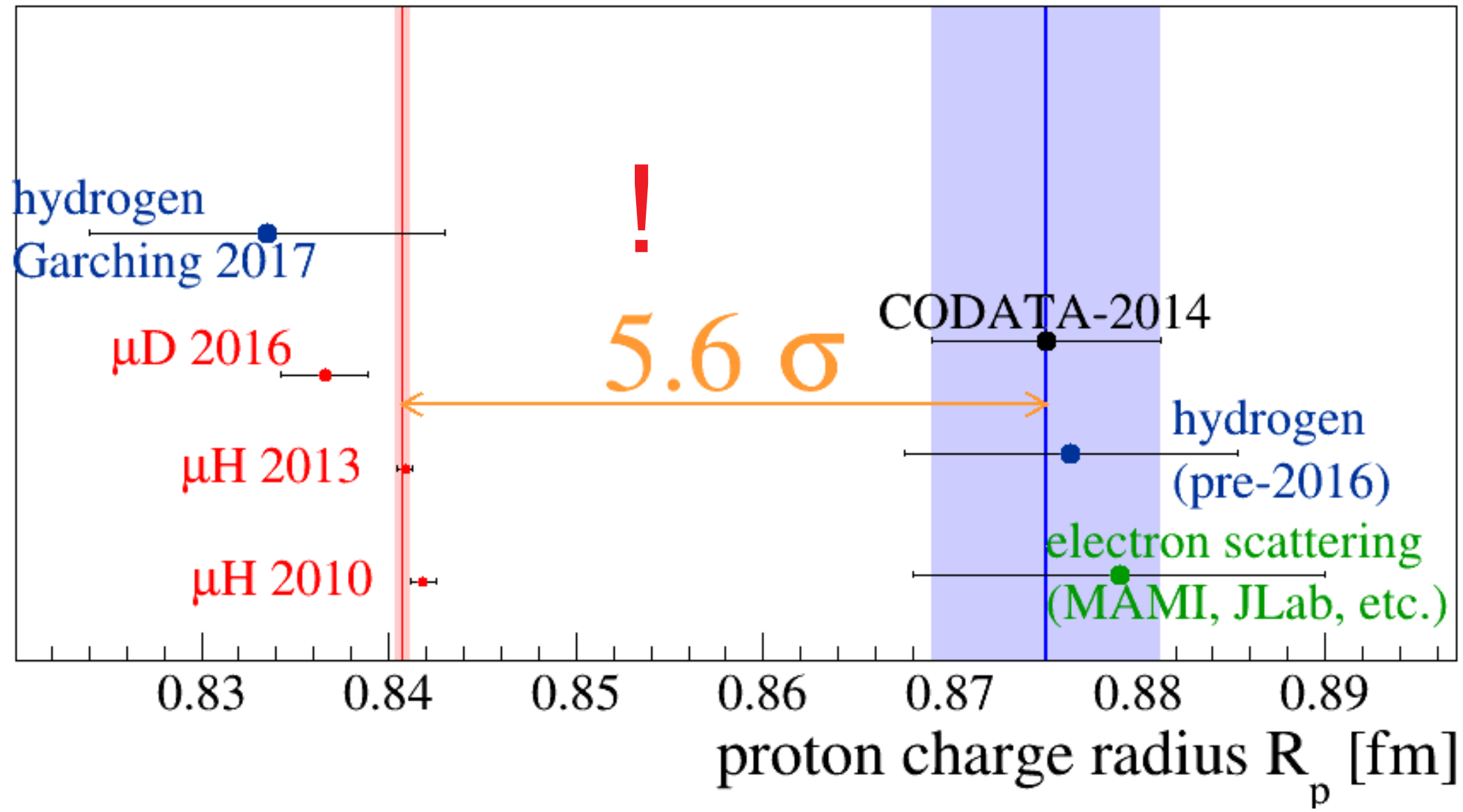
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New Measurements

Muons

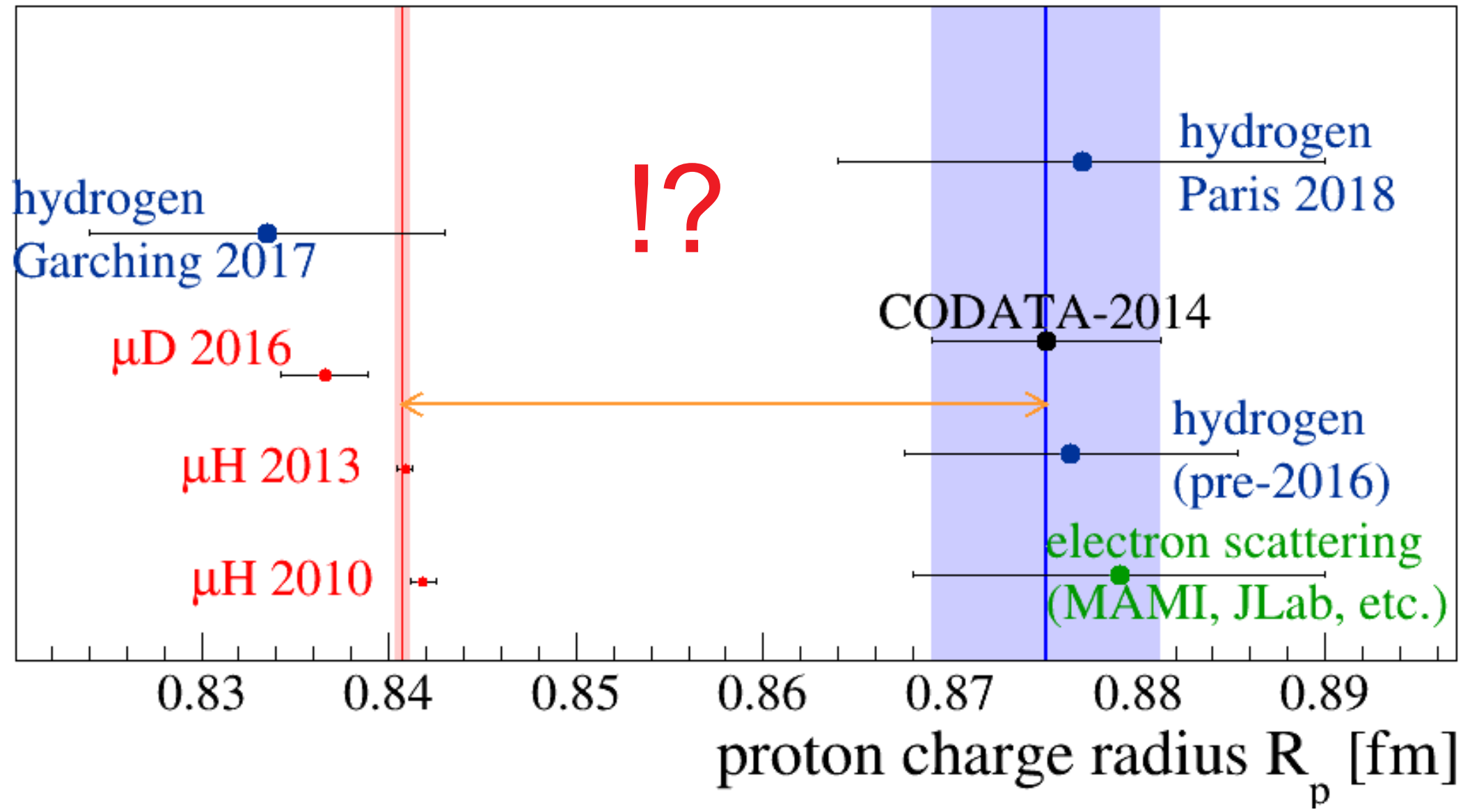
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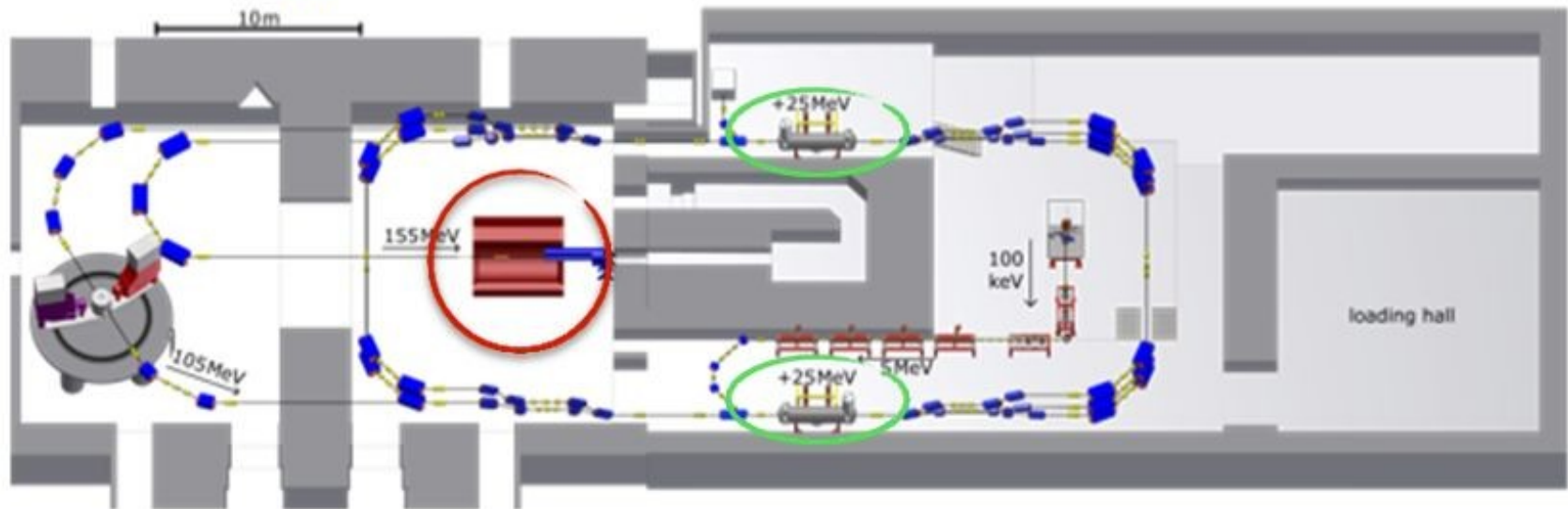


New Mainz electron accelerator **MESA**

Kurt Aulenbacher

MESA — “Mainz Energy-Recovering Superconducting Accelerator

Beam energy: 105 MeV / 155 MeV Current: 1–2 mA



Being built on **Campus of JGU Mainz**

Cluster of Excellence **PRISMA**, since 27.9. also **PRISMA+ !!!**

(2x 7 years of funding)

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Jan Bernauer & RP, 2014





Proton Size Investigators thank you for your attention

