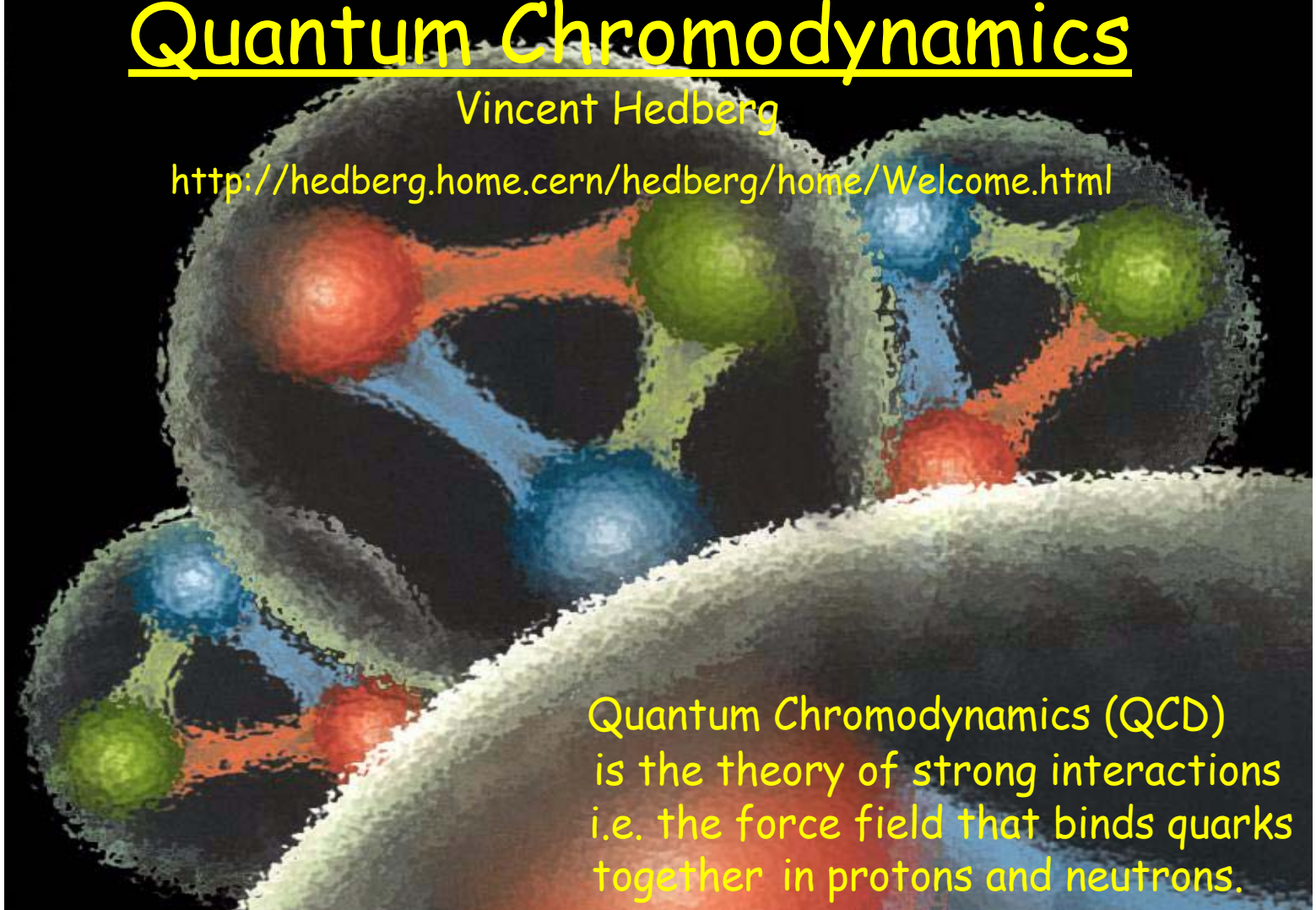


# Quantum Chromodynamics

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Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD) is the theory of strong interactions i.e. the force field that binds quarks together in protons and neutrons.

## Quantum Chromodynamics

- ➔ Interactions are carried out by massless spin-1 particles called gauge bosons.
- In quantum electrodynamics (QED), **gauge bosons** are **photons** and in QCD they are called **gluons**.
- Gauge bosons couple to conserved charges:
  - QED**: Photons couple to **electric charges** ( $Q$ )
  - QCD**: Gluons couple to **colour charges** ( $Y^c$  and  $I_3^c$ ).
- $Y^c$  is called **colour hypercharge**.  
 $I_3^c$  is called **colour isospin charge**.
- The strong interaction acts the same on  $u, d, s, c, b$  and  $t$  quarks because the **strong interaction** is **flavour-independent**.

# Quantum Chromodynamics

- The colour hypercharge ( $Y^c$ ) and colour isospin charge ( $I_3^c$ ) can be used to define **three colour** and **three anti-colour states** that the **quarks** can be in:

	$Y^c$	$I_3^c$		$Y^c$	$I_3^c$
<b>r</b>	<b>1/3</b>	<b>1/2</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{r}}$	<b>-1/3</b>	<b>-1/2</b>
<b>g</b>	<b>1/3</b>	<b>-1/2</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{g}}$	<b>-1/3</b>	<b>1/2</b>
<b>b</b>	<b>-2/3</b>	<b>0</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{b}}$	<b>2/3</b>	<b>0</b>

- All observed states (all **mesons** and **baryons**) have a total **colour charge** that is **zero**. This is called **colour confinement**.
- Zero colour charge means that the hadrons have the following **colour wave-functions**:

$$q\bar{q} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\mathbf{r}\bar{\mathbf{r}} + \mathbf{g}\bar{\mathbf{g}} + \mathbf{b}\bar{\mathbf{b}})$$

$$q_1q_2q_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(r_1g_2b_3 - g_1r_2b_3 + b_1r_2g_3 - b_1g_2r_3 + g_1b_2r_3 - r_1b_2g_3)$$

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- The colour hypercharge ( $Y^c$ ) and colour isospin charge ( $I_3^c$ ) should not be confused with the **flavour hypercharge (Y)** and **flavour isospin ( $I_3$ )** that were introduced in the quark model:

	<b>Q</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b><math>I_3</math></b>		<b>Q</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b><math>I_3</math></b>
<b>d</b>	<b>-1/3</b>	<b>1/3</b>	<b>-1/2</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{d}}$	<b>1/3</b>	<b>-1/3</b>	<b>1/2</b>
<b>u</b>	<b>2/3</b>	<b>1/3</b>	<b>1/2</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{u}}$	<b>-2/3</b>	<b>-1/3</b>	<b>-1/2</b>
<b>s</b>	<b>-1/3</b>	<b>-2/3</b>	<b>0</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{s}}$	<b>1/3</b>	<b>2/3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>c</b>	<b>2/3</b>	<b>4/3</b>	<b>0</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{c}}$	<b>-2/3</b>	<b>-4/3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>b</b>	<b>-1/3</b>	<b>-2/3</b>	<b>0</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{b}}$	<b>1/3</b>	<b>2/3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>t</b>	<b>2/3</b>	<b>4/3</b>	<b>0</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{t}}$	<b>-2/3</b>	<b>-4/3</b>	<b>0</b>

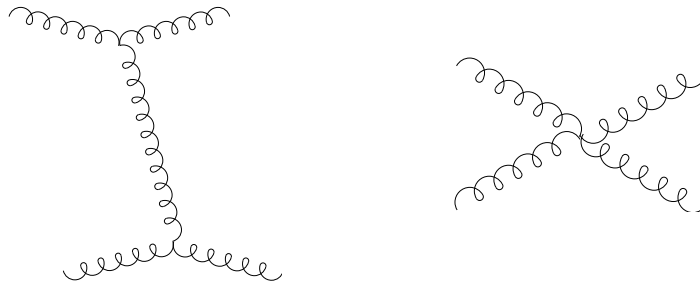
- After introducing colour, the **total wavefunction** of hadrons can now be written as:

$$\Psi_{\text{total}} = \Psi_{\text{space}} \times \Psi_{\text{spin}} \times \Psi_{\text{flavour}} \times \Psi_{\text{colour}}$$



# Quantum Chromodynamics

➔ Gluons can couple to other gluons since they carry colour charge.



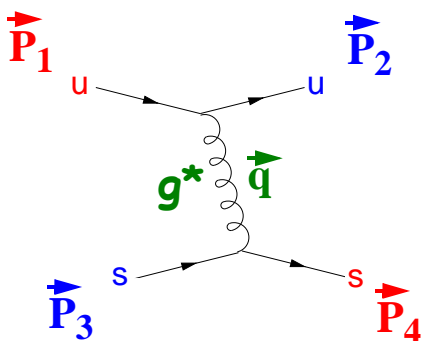
- This means that gluons can in principle bind together to form colourless states.
- These gluon states are called **glueballs**.

➔ Leptons do not carry colour charge and do not interact with quarks or each other via the strong interaction.

# Quantum Chromodynamics

➔ The strong coupling constant

- The **strong couplings constant**  $\alpha_s$  is the analogue in QCD of  $\alpha_{em}$  in QED and it is a measure of the strength of the interaction.
- It is **not** a **true constant** but a "running constant" since it decreases with increasing  $Q^2$ .
- What is  $Q^2$  ?



Assume that the 4-vectors of the interacting quarks are given by  $\vec{P} = (E, \vec{p}) = (E, p_x, p_y, p_z)$

The 4-vector energy-momentum transfer is then

$$Q^2 = -\vec{q} \cdot \vec{q} \quad (\text{i.e. } Q \text{ is the "mass" of the gluon})$$

which can be calculated from the 4-vectors of the quarks

$$\vec{q} = (E_q, \vec{q}) = \vec{P}_1 - \vec{P}_2 = (E_1 - E_2, \vec{P}_1 - \vec{P}_2)$$

# Quantum Chromodynamics

## → The strong coupling constant

In leading order of QCD,

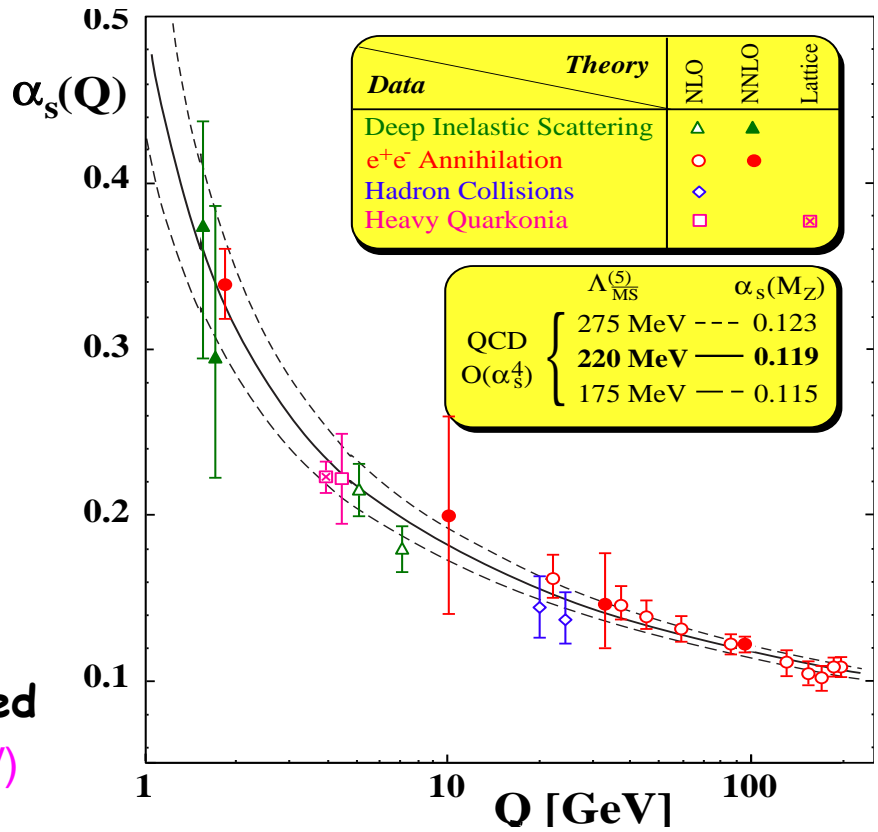
$\alpha_s$  is given by:

$$\alpha_s = \frac{12\pi}{(33 - 2N_f)\ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)}$$

where

$N_f$ : Number of allowed quark flavours

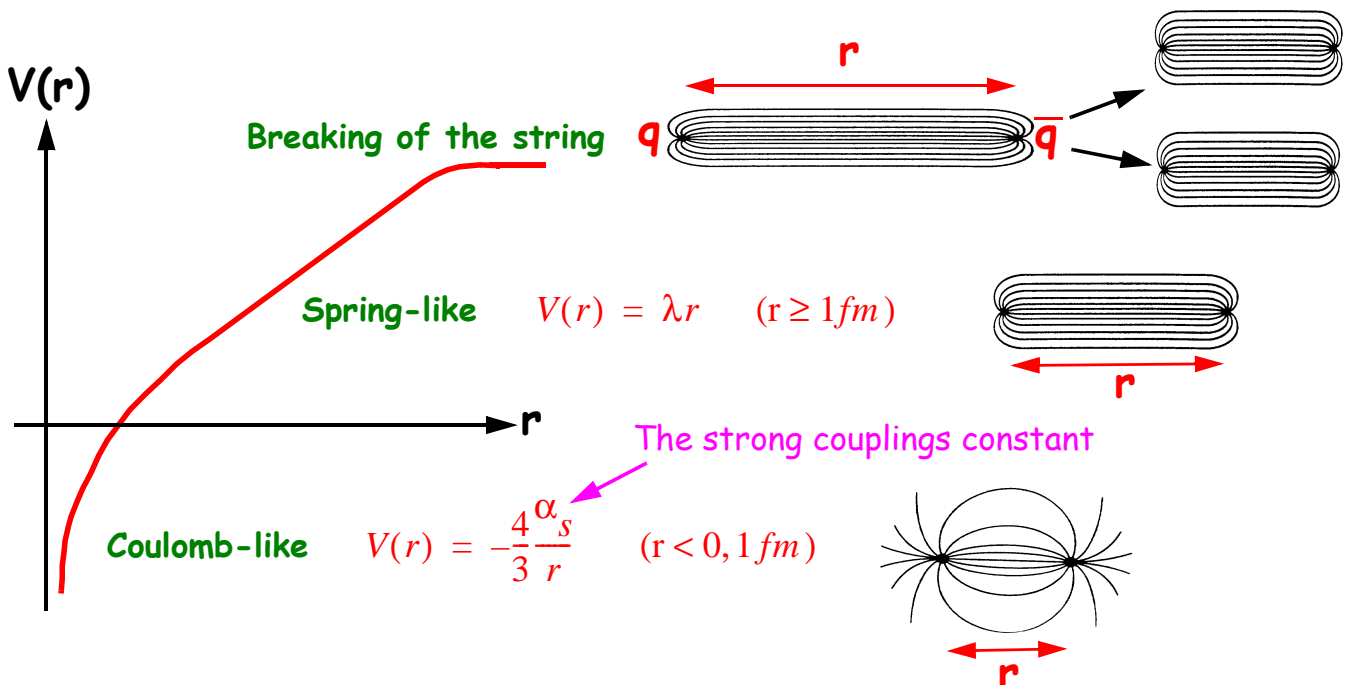
$\Lambda$ : QCD scale parameter that has to be determined experimentally ( $\Lambda \approx 0.2$  GeV)



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## → The quark-antiquark potential (mesons)

- The **quark-antiquark potential** can be described in the following simplified way:



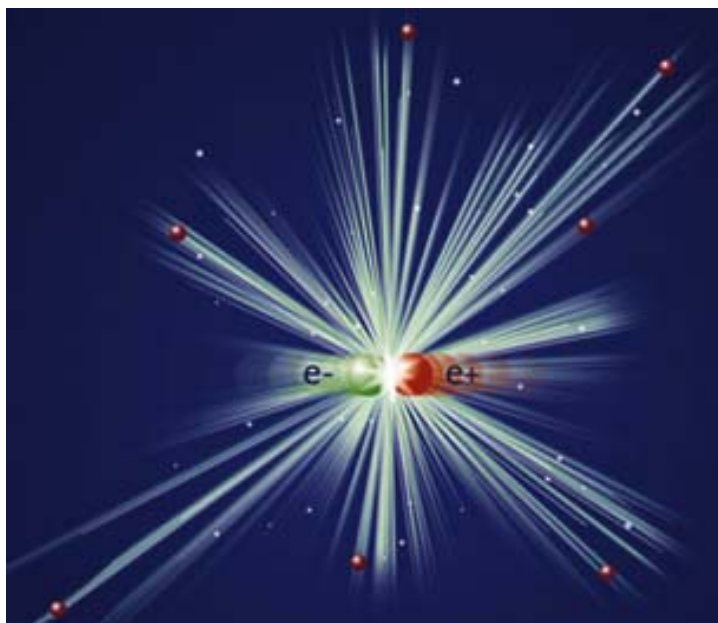
# Quantum Chromodynamics

➔ The principle of asymptotic freedom.

- At **short distances** the strong interaction is **weaker** and at **large distance** the interaction gets **stronger**.
- The combination of a **Coulomb-like potential** at small distances and a **small  $\alpha_s$**  at large  $Q^2$  (i.e. small distances) means that quarks and gluons act as essentially **free particles** and interactions can be described by the lowest order diagrams.
- At **large distances** the strong interaction can, however, only be described by **higher order** diagrams.
- Due to the complexity of the higher-order diagrams, the very process of **confinement cannot be calculated analytically**. Only numerical models can be used !

## Electron-positron collisions

$e^+$  →                      ←  $e^-$



# Electron-positron annihilation

## → The R-value

- At  $e^+e^-$  colliders one has traditionally studied the ratio of the number of events with hadrons to those with muons:

$$R \equiv \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}$$

- The cross section for hadron and muon production would be almost the same if it was not for quark flavours and colours i.e.

$$R = N_c \sum e_q^2$$

where  $N_c$  is the number of colours (=3) and  $e_q$  the charge of the quarks.

# Electron-positron annihilation

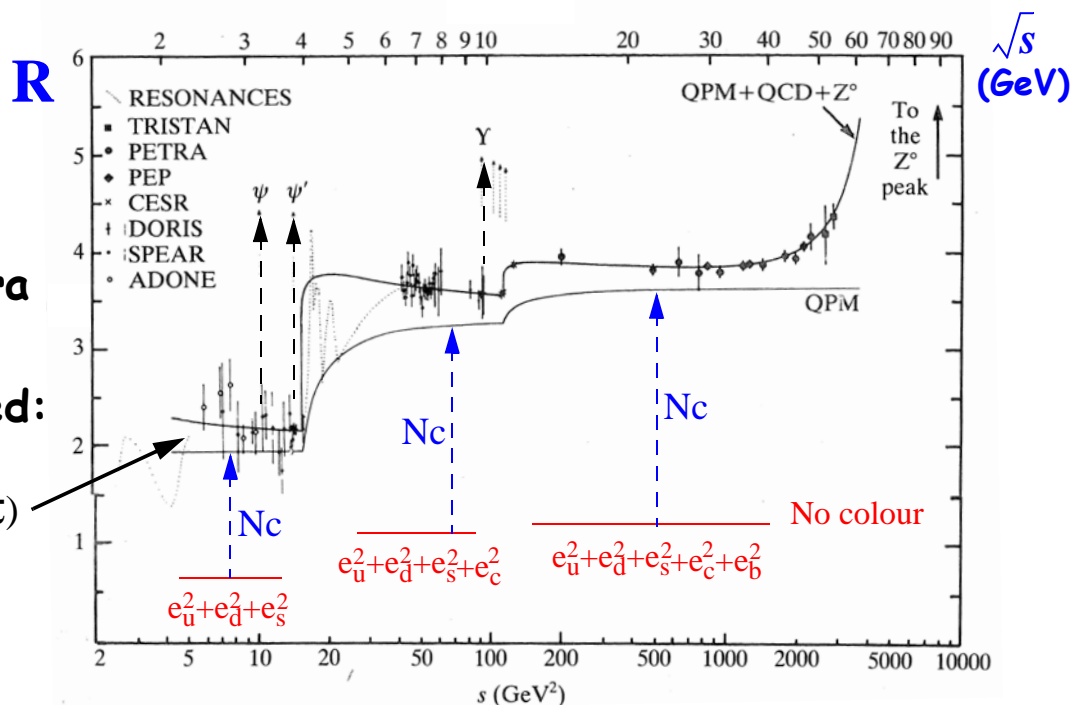
$$R = N_c(e_u^2 + e_d^2 + e_s^2) = 3 \left( (-1/3)^2 + (-1/3)^2 + (2/3)^2 \right) = 2 \quad \text{if } \sqrt{s} < m_\psi$$

$$R = N_c(e_u^2 + e_d^2 + e_s^2 + e_c^2) = 10/3 \quad \text{if } \sqrt{s} < m_\Upsilon$$

$$R = N_c(e_u^2 + e_d^2 + e_s^2 + e_c^2 + e_b^2) = 11/3 \quad \text{if } \sqrt{s} > m_\Upsilon$$

If the radiation of hard gluons is taken into account, an extra factor proportional to  $\alpha_s$  has to be added:

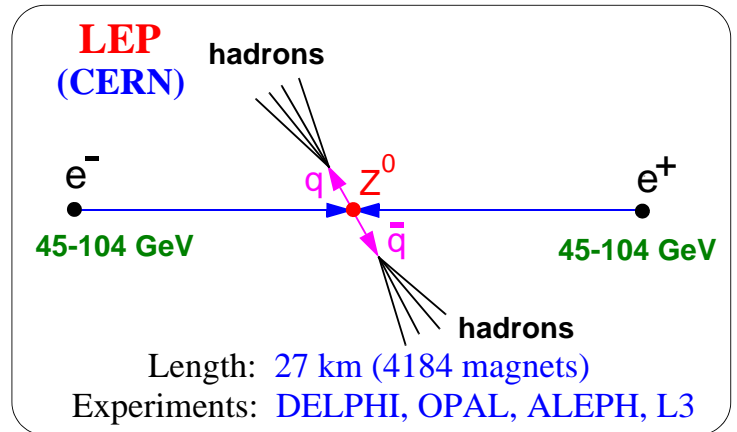
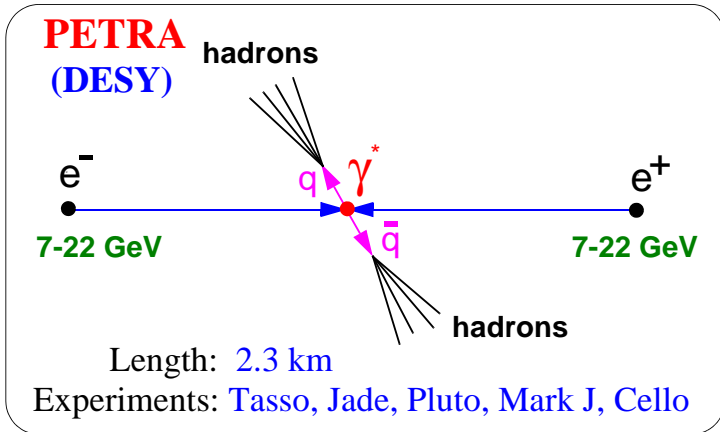
$$R = N_c \sum e_q^2 (1 + \alpha_s(Q^2)/\pi)$$



# Electron-positron annihilation

## ➔ Jets of particles

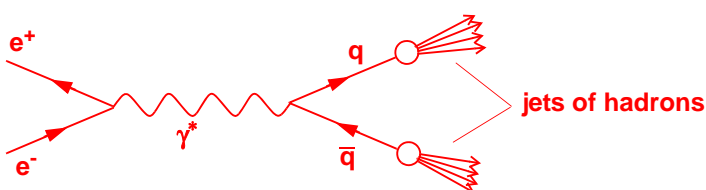
- In the lowest order  $e^+e^-$  annihilation process, a **photon** or a  $Z^0$  is produced which then converts into a **quark-antiquark pair**.
- The quark and the antiquark **fragment** into observable **hadrons**.



# Electron-positron annihilation

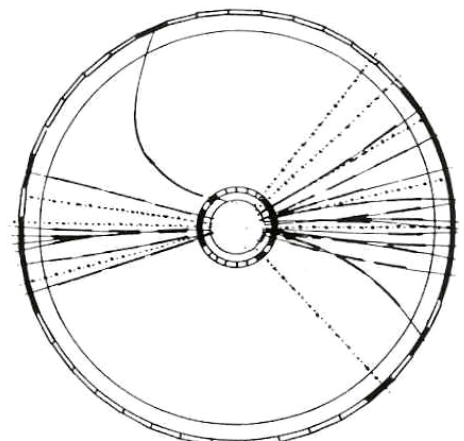
## ➔ Jets of particles

- Since the quark and antiquark momenta are equal and counter-parallel, the hadrons are produced in **two jets of equal energy** going in the **opposite direction**.
- The direction of the jet reflects the direction of the corresponding quark.



$$e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$$

Diagram for two-jet events.



Two-jet event recorded by the Jade experiment at PETRA.



# Electron-positron annihilation

➔ A study of the angular distribution of jets give information about the spin of the quarks.

- The angular distribution of  $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \mu^+ + \mu^-$  is

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta}(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{2Q^2}(1 + \cos^2\theta) \quad \text{where } \theta \text{ is the production angle with respect to the direction of the colliding electrons.}$$

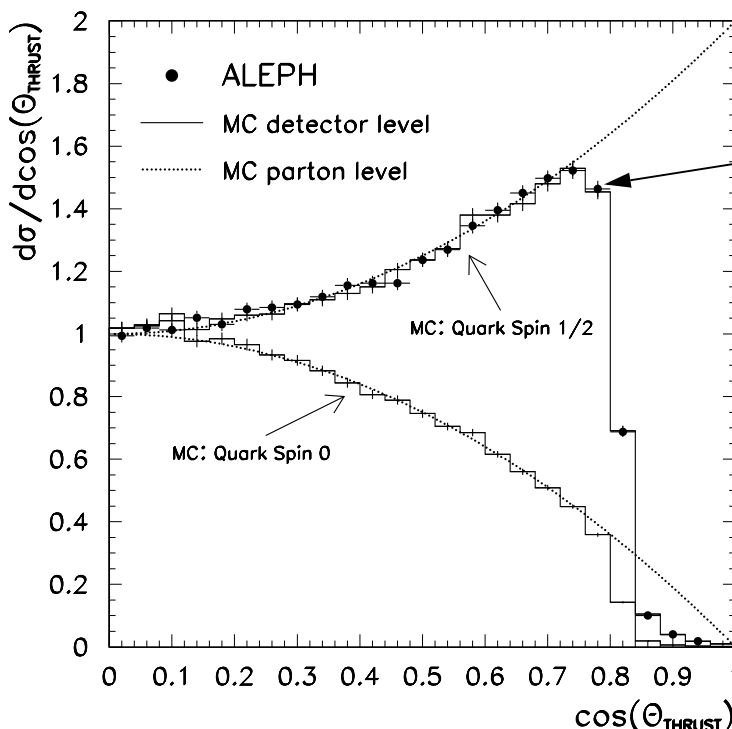
- The angular distribution of  $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow q + \bar{q}$  is

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta}(e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}) = N_c e_q^2 \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{2Q^2}(1 + \cos^2\theta) \quad \text{if the quark spin} = 1/2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta}(e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}) = N_c e_q^2 \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{2Q^2}(1 - \cos^2\theta) \quad \text{if the quark spin} = 0$$

where  $e_q$  is the fractional quark charge and  $N_c$  is the number of colours (=3).

# Electron-positron annihilation



The experimentally measured angular distribution of jets is clearly following  $(1+\cos^2\theta)$ .

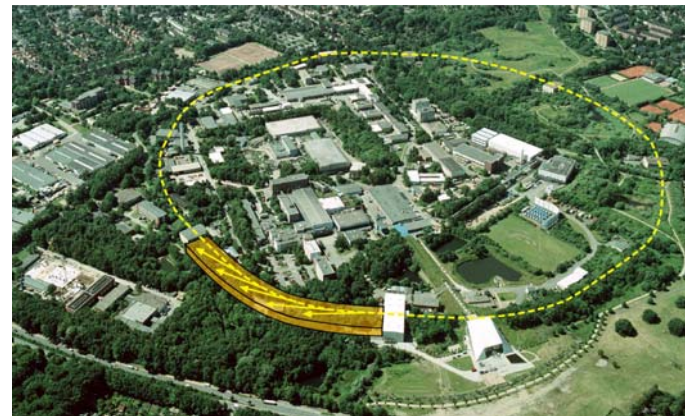
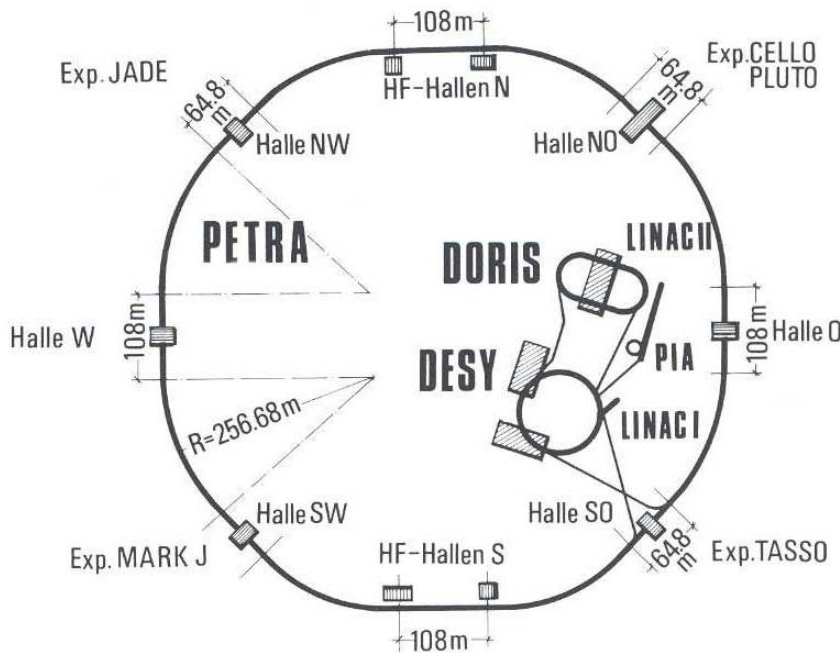
The jets are therefore associated with spin 1/2 particles.

**Quarks have spin = 1/2 !**

The angular distribution of the quark jets in  $e^+e^-$  annihilations, compared with models with spin=0 and 1/2.

# The discovery of the gluon

➔ The accelerator: PETRA at the German laboratory DESY.



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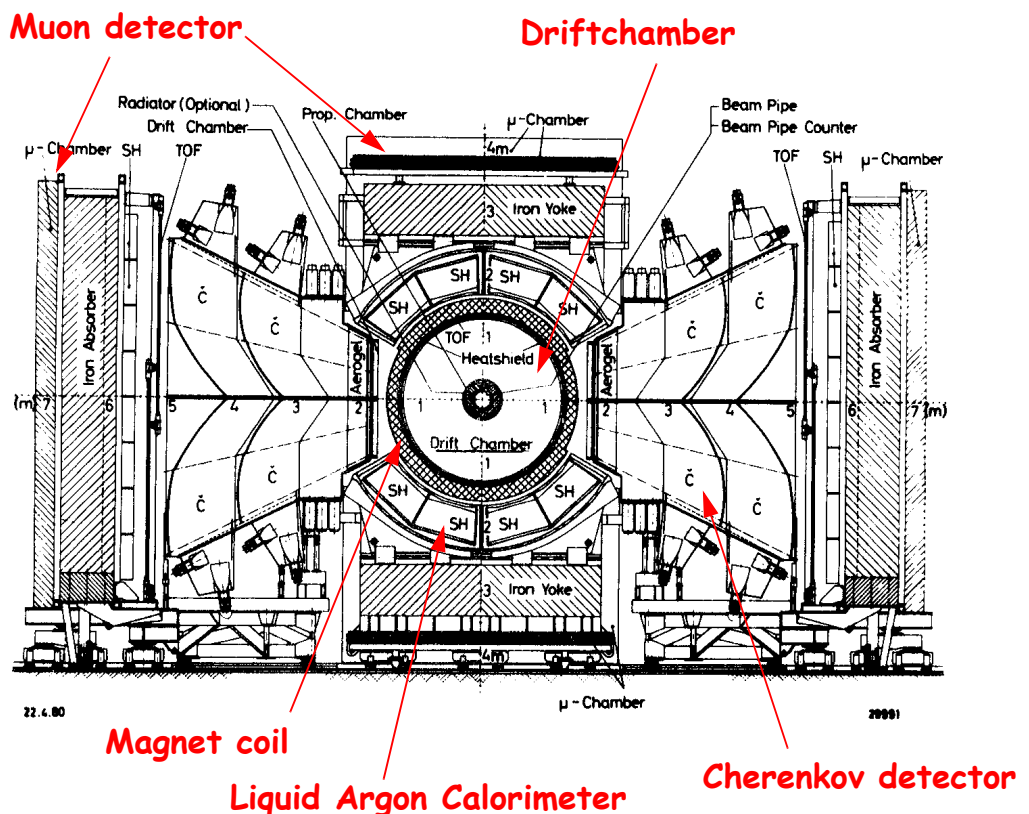
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# The discovery of the gluon

➔ The experiment: TASSO



The central part of the TASSO experiment.



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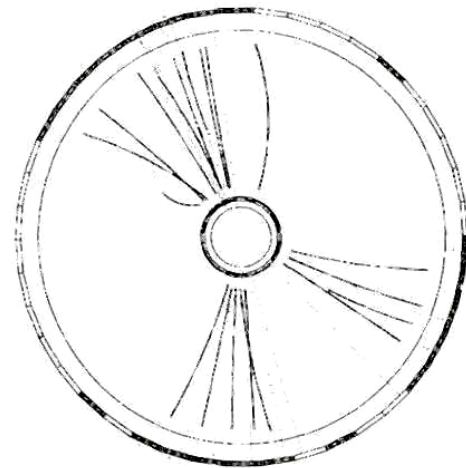
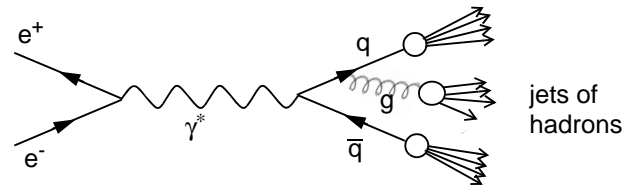
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# The discovery of the gluon

When the PETRA accelerator started up, one began to see **three-jet events** in the experiments. The interpretation was that the quark or antiquark emitted a high-momentum **gluon** that fragmented to a jet.



A Tasso 3-jet event.



A Jade 3-jet event.

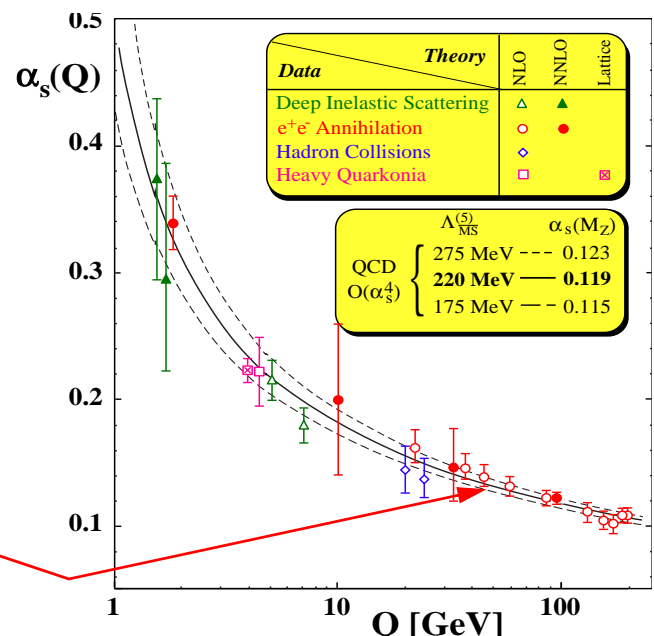
# The discovery of the gluon

- The **probability** for a quark to emit a **gluon** is proportional to  $\alpha_s$  and by comparing the rate of two-jet with three-jet events one can determine  $\alpha_s$ .

$$\alpha_s = \frac{\text{Number of three-jet events}}{\text{Number of two-jet events}}$$

- At PETRA one measured:

$$\alpha_s = 0.15 \pm 0.03 \quad \text{for } \sqrt{s} = 30\text{-}40 \text{ GeV}$$



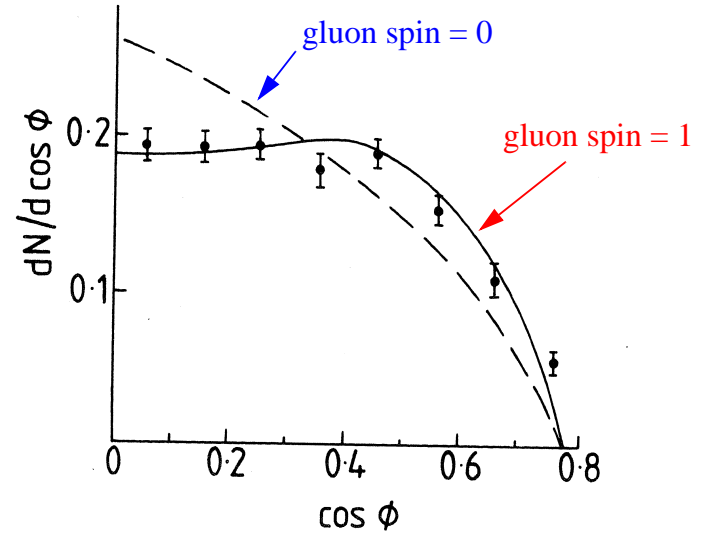
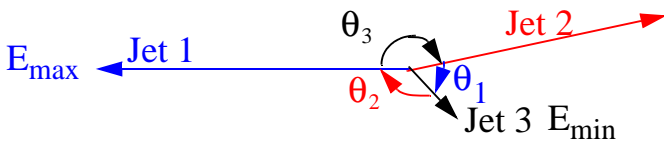
# Electron-positron annihilation

➔ The spin of the gluon.

- It is possible to determine the **spin** of the **gluon** by measuring the angular distribution of jets in three-jet events.
- This is done by measuring:

$$\cos \phi = \frac{\sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_3}{\sin \theta_1}$$

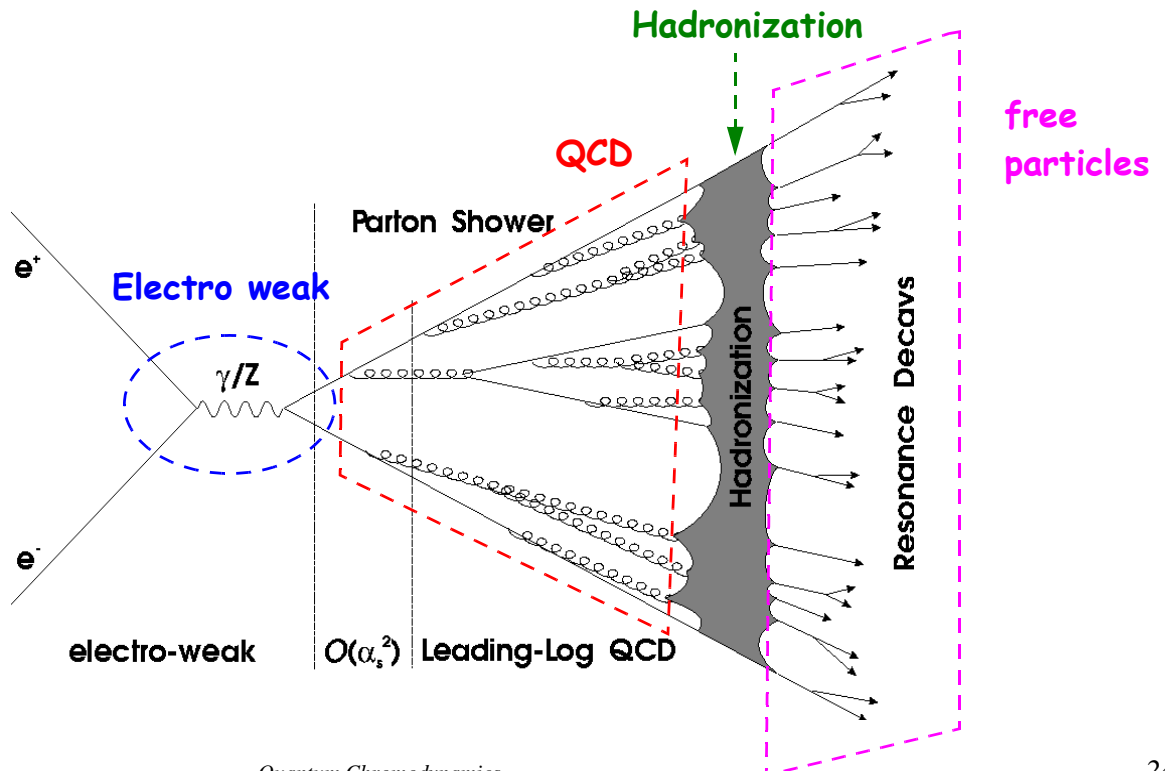
where the angles are defined in the following way.



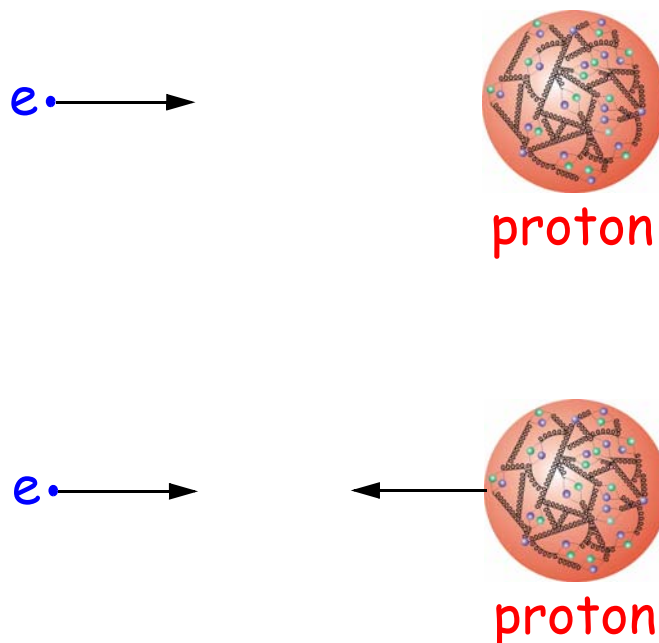
**Conclusion: Gluons have spin = 1 !**

# Electron-positron annihilation

- The process of turning quarks and gluons into hadrons is called **hadronization**



# Electron-proton collisions



## Electron-proton scattering

Electrons are good tools for investigating the properties of hadrons since electrons do not have a substructure. The wavelength of the exchanged photon determines how the proton is being probed.

$\lambda \gg r_p$  Very low electron energies

The scattering is equivalent to that from a "point-like" spin-less object.

$\lambda = r_p$  Low electron energies

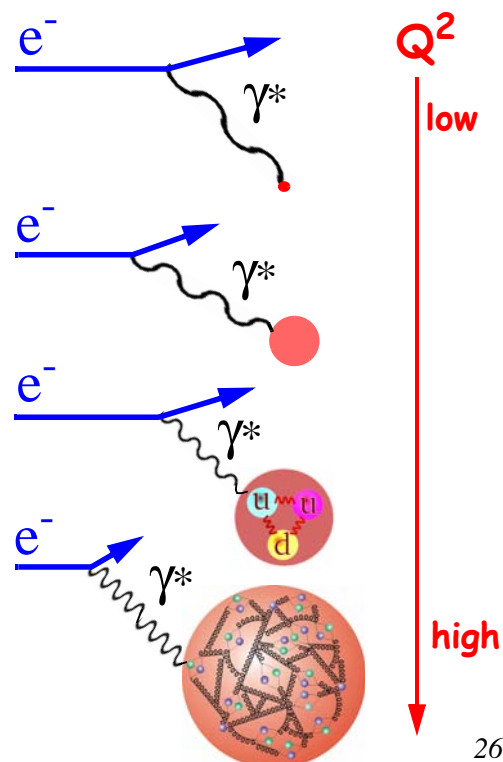
The scattering is equivalent to that from an extended charged object.

$\lambda < r_p$  High electron energies

The wavelength is short enough to make it possible to interact with the valence quarks in the proton.

$\lambda \ll r_p$  Very high electron energies

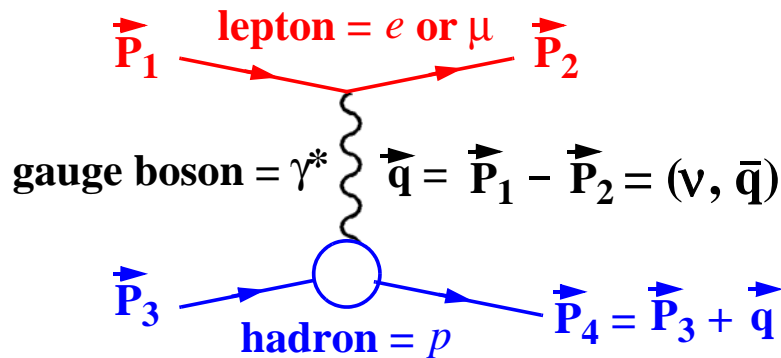
The electron can at these short wavelengths interact with the sea of quarks and gluons.



# Electron-proton scattering

## → Elastic scattering

- **Elastic scattering** means that the same type of particles goes into and comes out of the collision.



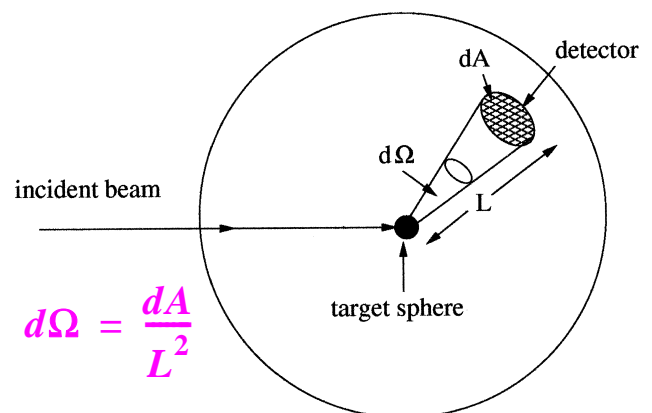
- Elastic electron-proton scattering can be used to measure the **size of the proton**.

# Electron-proton scattering

## → Differential cross section

- The **angular distribution** of the particles emerging from a scattering reaction is given by the differential cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma(\theta, \varphi)}{d\Omega} \text{ where } d\Omega = \sin\theta d\theta d\varphi$$

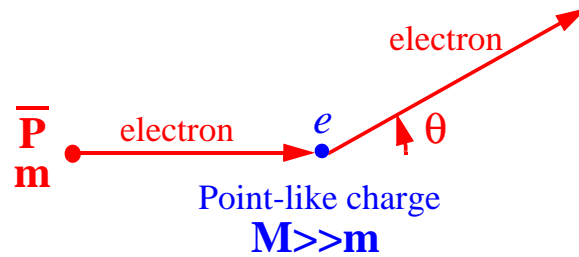


- The **total cross section** of the reaction is obtained by integrating the differential cross section:

$$\sigma = \int \frac{d\sigma(\theta, \varphi)}{d\Omega} d\Omega = \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma(\theta, \varphi)}{d\Omega} \sin\theta d\theta d\varphi$$

# Electron-proton scattering

➔ Elastic scattering on a static point-like charge.



The **Mott scattering formula** describes the angular distribution of a **relativistic electron** of momentum  $p$  which is scattered by a point-like electric charge  $e$ .

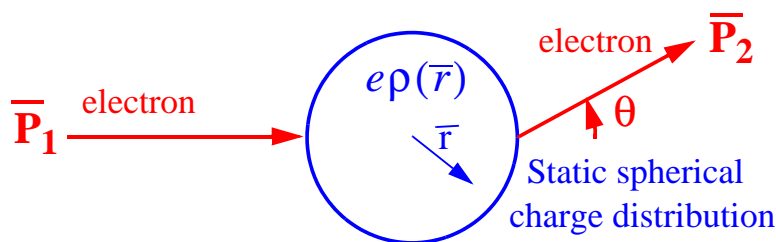
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M = \frac{\alpha^2}{4p^4 \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \left(m^2 + p^2 \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right)$$

The **Rutherford scattering formula** describes the same for a **non-relativistic electron** with a momentum  $p \ll m$ , i.e., it is obtained from the Mott formula by assuming  $p=0$ .

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R = \frac{m^2 \alpha^2}{4p^4 \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \quad \text{where } \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}$$

# Electron-proton scattering

➔ Elastic scattering on an extended charged object.



**Momentum transfer**

$$\vec{q} = \vec{P}_1 - \vec{P}_2$$

$$q^2 = -\vec{q} \cdot \vec{q}$$

- If the electric **charge is not point-like**, but spread out with a spherically symmetric density function ( $e \rightarrow e\rho(r)$ ) that is normalized to one ( $\int \rho(r) d^3\vec{x} = 1$ ) then the Rutherford scattering formula has to be modified by an **electric form factor**  $G_E^2(q^2)$ :

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R G_E^2(q^2) \quad \text{where} \quad \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R = \frac{m^2 \alpha^2}{4p^4 \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}$$

# Electron-proton scattering

- The electric form factor is the **Fourier transform** of the **charge distribution** with respect to the momentum transfer  $\vec{q}$ :

$$G_E(q^2) = \int \rho(r) e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}} d^3\vec{x}$$

- The electric form factor has values between 0 and 1:

**Low momentum transfer:**  $G_E(0) = 1$  for  $q = 0$

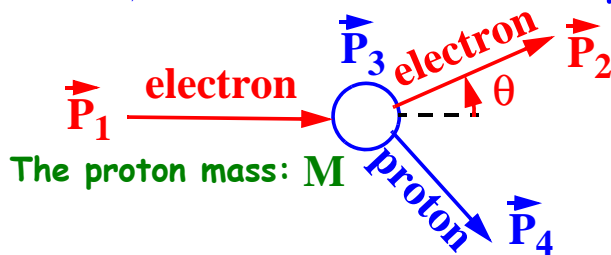
**High momentum transfer:**  $G_E(q^2) \rightarrow 0$  for  $q^2 \rightarrow \infty$

- Measurements of the cross-section can be used to determine the form-factor and hence the charge distribution. The mean **quadratic charge radius** is for example given by:

$$r_E^2 = \int r^2 \rho(r) d^3\vec{x} = -6 \left. \frac{dG_E(q^2)}{dq^2} \right|_{q^2=0}$$

# Electron-proton scattering

## → Elastic electron-proton scattering



4-momentum transfer

$$\vec{q} = \vec{P}_1 - \vec{P}_2$$

$$Q^2 = -\vec{q} \cdot \vec{q}$$

- Scattering of electrons on protons depends not only on the **electric formfactor** ( $G_E$ ) but also on a **magnetic formfactor** ( $G_M$ ) which is associated with the magnetic moment distribution:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_M \times \left( G_1(Q^2) \cos^2 \frac{2\theta}{2} + \frac{Q^2}{2M^2} G_2(Q^2) \sin^2 \frac{2\theta}{2} \right)$$

$$G_1(Q^2) = \frac{G_E^2 + \frac{Q^2}{4M^2} G_M^2}{1 + \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}}$$

$$G_2(Q^2) = G_M^2$$



# Electron-proton scattering

- Measurement of the form factors are conveniently divided up into three regions of  $Q^2$ :

i) low  $Q^2$  ( $Q \ll M$ ):

$G_E$  dominates the cross section and  $r_E$  can be precisely measured:  $r_E = 0.85 \pm 0.02$  fm

ii) Intermediate  $Q^2$  ( $0.02 < Q^2 < 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ ):

Both  $G_E$  and  $G_M$  give sizable contributions and the form factors can be described by the parameterization:

$$G_E(Q^2) \approx \frac{G_M(Q^2)}{\mu_p} \approx \left( \frac{\beta^2}{\beta^2 + Q^2} \right)^2$$

iii) High  $Q^2$  ( $Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ ):

$G_M$  dominates the cross section.

# Electron-proton scattering

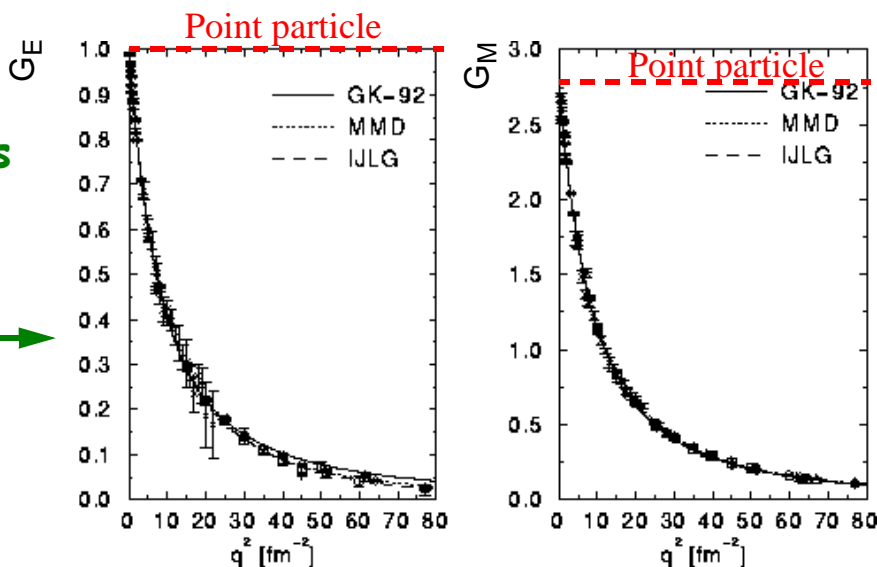
- The form factors are normalized so that

Protons:  $G_E(0) = \text{total charge} = 1$       $G_M(0) = \text{magnetic moment} = \mu_p = +2.79$

Neutrons:  $G_E(0) = \text{total charge} = 0$       $G_M(0) = \text{magnetic moment} = \mu_n = -1.91$

- If the proton is a **point particle** then  $G_E$  and  $G_M$  do not depend on  $Q^2$  and they should be constants with  $G_E=1$  and  $G_M=2.79$ .

Measurements of  $G_E$  and  $G_M$  of the proton gives: →

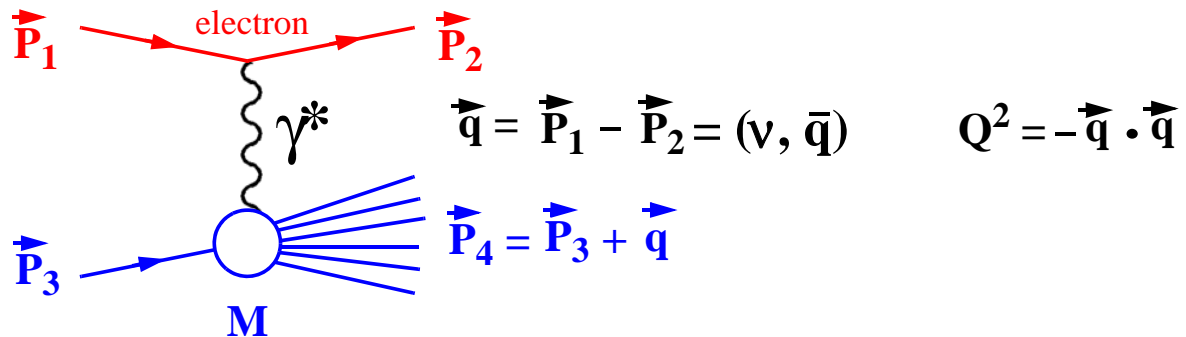


**Conclusion:**  
The proton has an extended charge distribution !

# Electron-proton scattering

## ➔ Inelastic electron-proton scattering

- In inelastic electron-proton scattering, the proton is broken up into new hadrons:



- A new dimensionless variable called the **Bjorken scaling variable** ( $x$ ) is introduced which can take values between 0 and 1:

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu} \quad \text{where } M \text{ is the mass of the proton.}$$

# Electron-proton scattering

- The differential cross section for **inelastic electron-proton scattering** can be written as:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE_2 d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4E_1^2 \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{\nu} F_2(x, Q^2) \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + \frac{2}{M} F_1(x, Q^2) \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right]$$

where two dimensionless **structure functions**  $F_1(x, Q^2)$  and  $F_2(x, Q^2)$  parameterize the photon-proton interaction in the same way a  $G_1(Q^2)$  and  $G_2(Q^2)$  do it in elastic scattering.

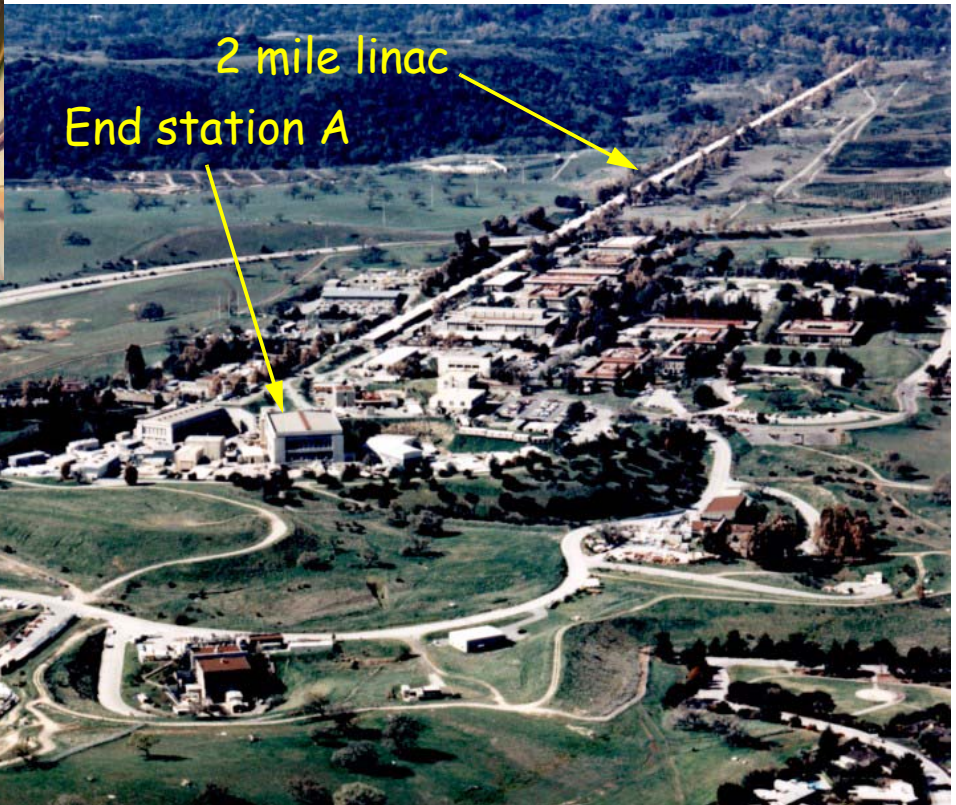
- An important concept is that of **Bjorken scaling** or scale invariance:

$$F_{1,2}(x, Q^2) = F_{1,2}(x) \quad \text{when } Q^2 \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } x \text{ is fixed and finite.}$$

i.e. the structure functions are almost **independent on  $Q^2$**  when  $Q \gg M$ . It is called scaling because structure functions at a given  $x$  remain unchanged if all particle masses, energies and momenta are multiplied by a scale factor.

# Electron-proton scattering

➔ The discovery of quarks at the SLAC 2 mile LINAC



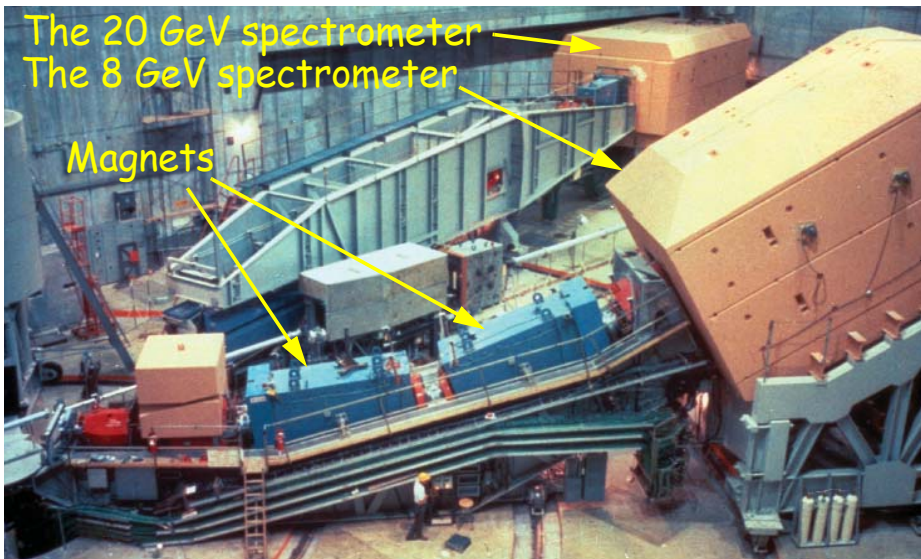
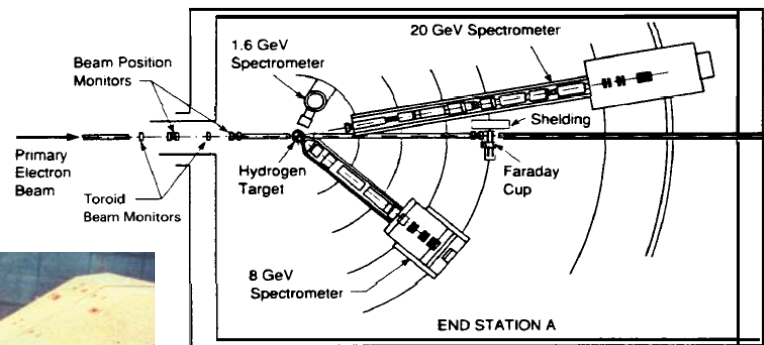
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# Electron-proton scattering

➔ The discovery of quarks

The MIT-SLAC experiment



Inside the shielding here were Cerenkov detectors, scintillators and detectors for  $e/\pi$  separation.

8 GeV electrons were hitting a hydrogen target. The scattered electrons were selected by magnets at different angles and identified by detectors inside the brown shielding.

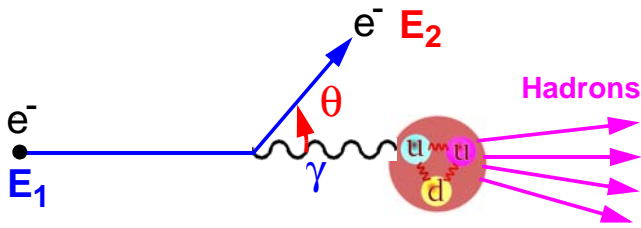
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# Electron-proton scattering

## ➔ The discovery of quarks: The measurements

- It is possible to **calculate  $x$  and  $Q^2$**  from the energies and scattering angle of the electron:

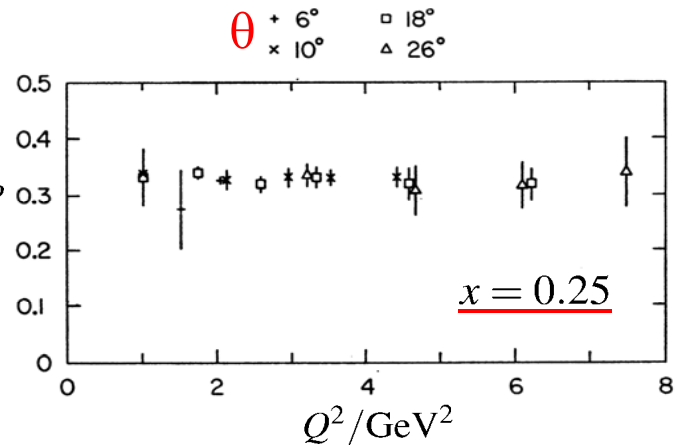


$$Q^2 = 4 \cdot E_1 \cdot E_2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2 \cdot M \cdot (E_1 - E_2)}$$

- From a cross section measurement it is then possible to **extract  $F_2$** .

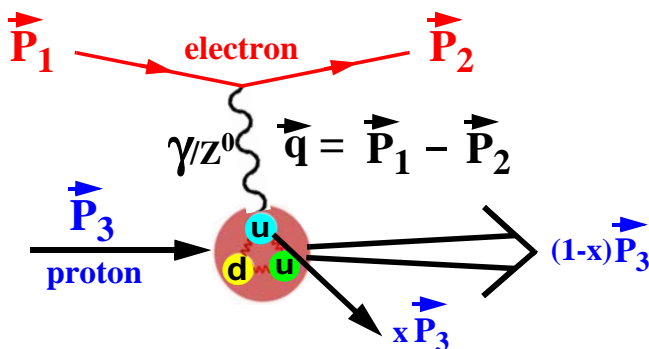
- The result that  $F_2$  does **not depend on  $Q^2$**  was later interpreted as the first evidence for the existence of **quarks**.



# Electron-proton scattering

## ➔ Deep inelastic electron-proton scattering

- The scale invariance is explained in the **parton model** by the scattering on point-like constituents (partons) in the proton.
- These **partons** are identical to the **quarks** that were postulated by the quark model.



$$Q^2 = -\vec{q} \cdot \vec{q} = 4 \cdot E_1 \cdot E_2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2Mv} = \frac{Q^2}{2 \cdot M \cdot (E_1 - E_2)}$$

- The parton model is valid if the proton momentum is sufficiently large so that the **fraction of the proton momentum** carried by the **struck quark** is given by the **Bjorken  $x$** .

# Electron-proton scattering

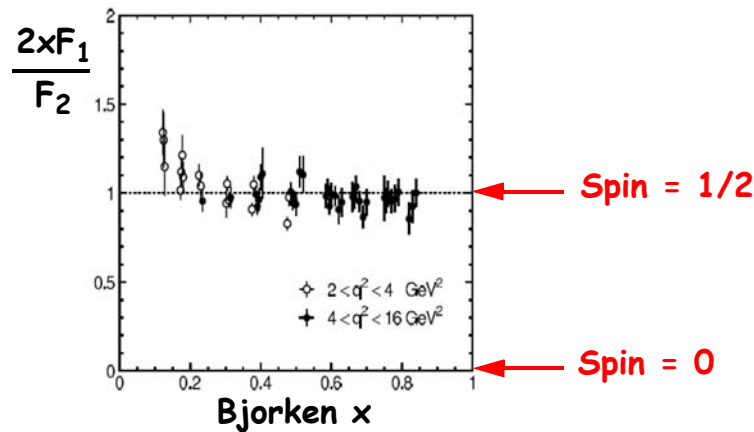
## Deep inelastic electron-proton scattering

- The structure function  $F_1$  depends on the spin of the partons (quarks) in the parton model:

$$F_1(x, Q^2) = 0 \quad (\text{spin-0})$$

The Callan-Gross relation:  $2xF_1(x, Q^2) = F_2(x, Q^2)$  (spin-1/2)

- Measurements shows that the partons have spin 1/2:



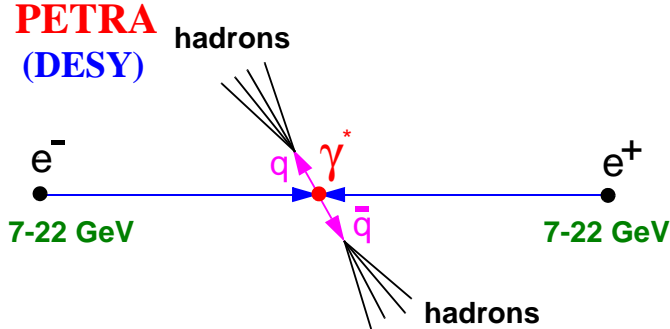
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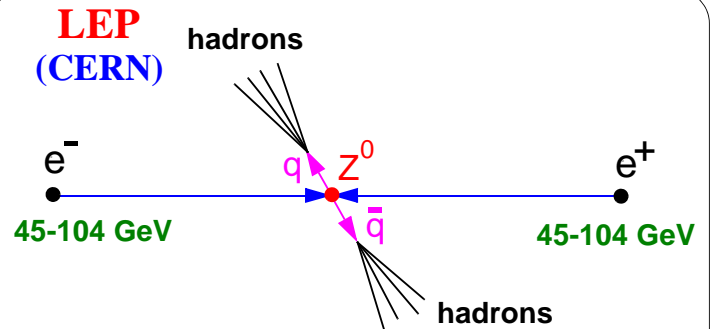
**PETRA**  
(DESY)



Length: 2.3 km

Experiments: Tasso, Jade, Pluto, Mark J, Cello

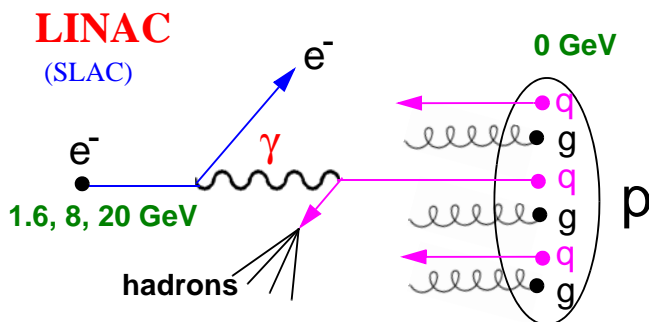
**LEP**  
(CERN)



Length: 27 km (4184 magnets)

Experiments: DELPHI, OPAL, ALEPH, L3

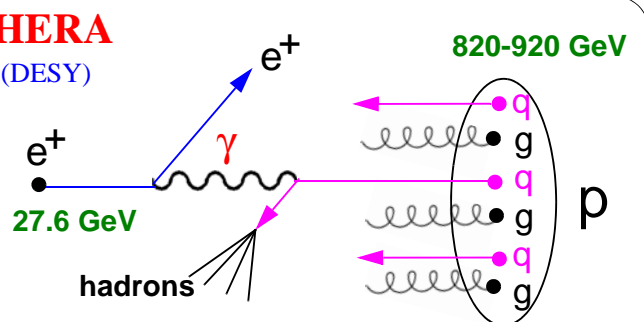
**LINAC**  
(SLAC)



Length: 3 km

Experiments: SLAC-MIT

**HERA**  
(DESY)



Length: 6 km (1650 magnets)

Experiments: H1, ZEUS

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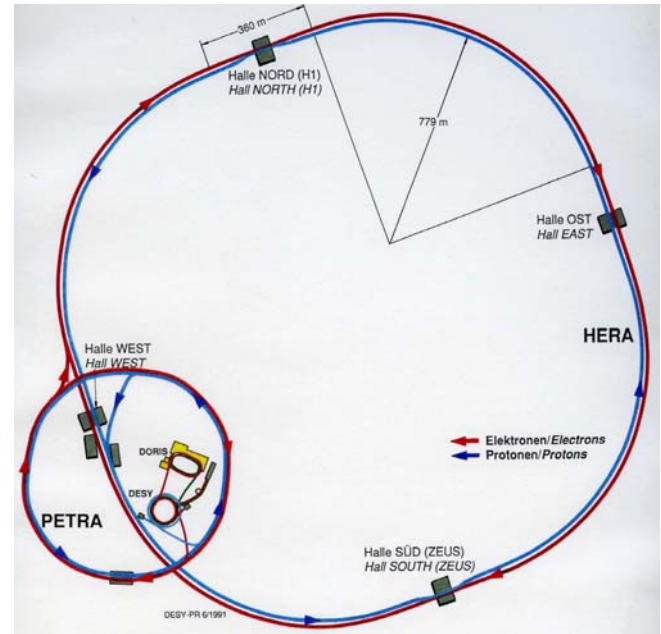
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# Electron-proton scattering

## ➔ The HERA accelerator

- The **HERA accelerator** at the German **DESY** laboratory is the only large electron-proton collider ever built. It used PETRA as a pre-accelerator.

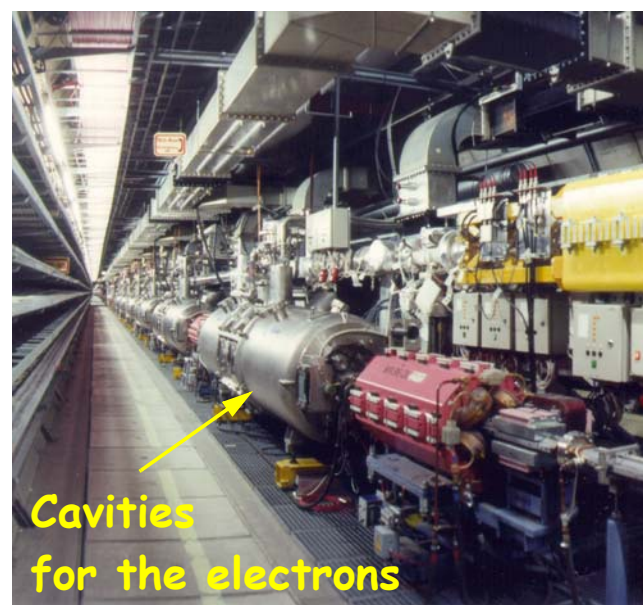
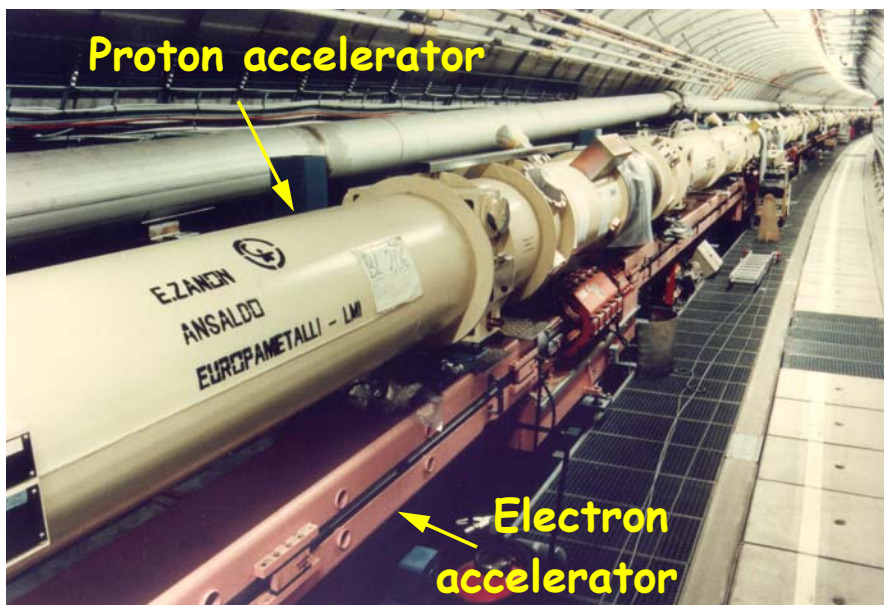


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# Electron-proton scattering

- HERA, which was 6 km long, had a ring of **superconducting magnets** for the **protons** and a ring of **warm magnets** for the **electrons**. The **center-of-mass energy** of the collision of 28 GeV electrons on 920 GeV protons was **320 GeV**. This is equivalent to a fix target accelerator with a 54 TeV electron beam.



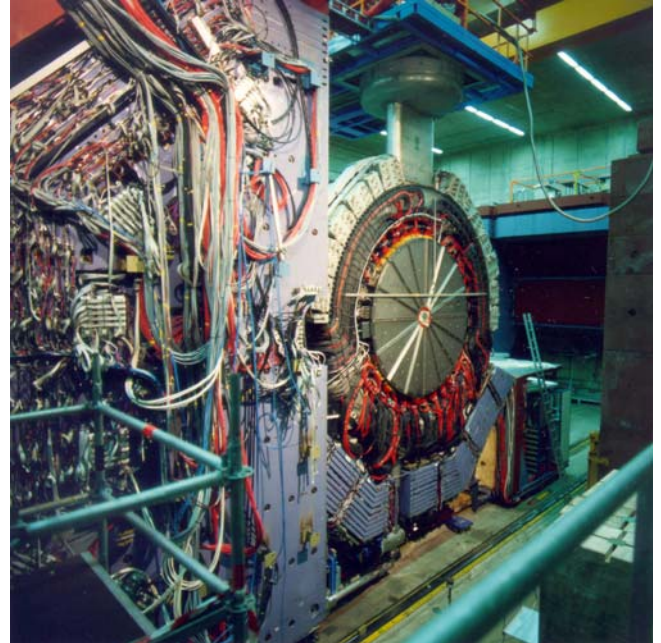
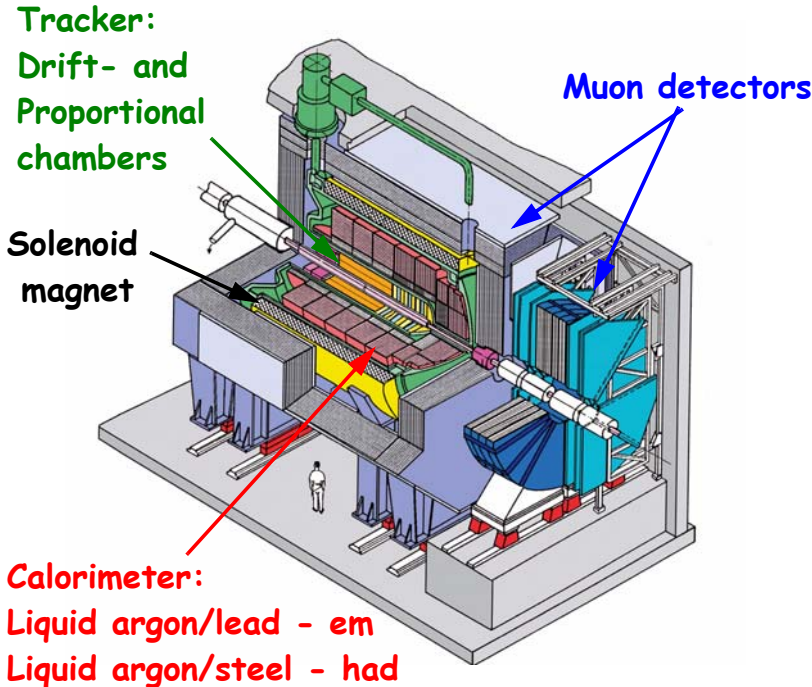
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## → The H1 Experiment

- The events at HERA were boosted in the proton direction due to the large difference in electron and proton beam energies.



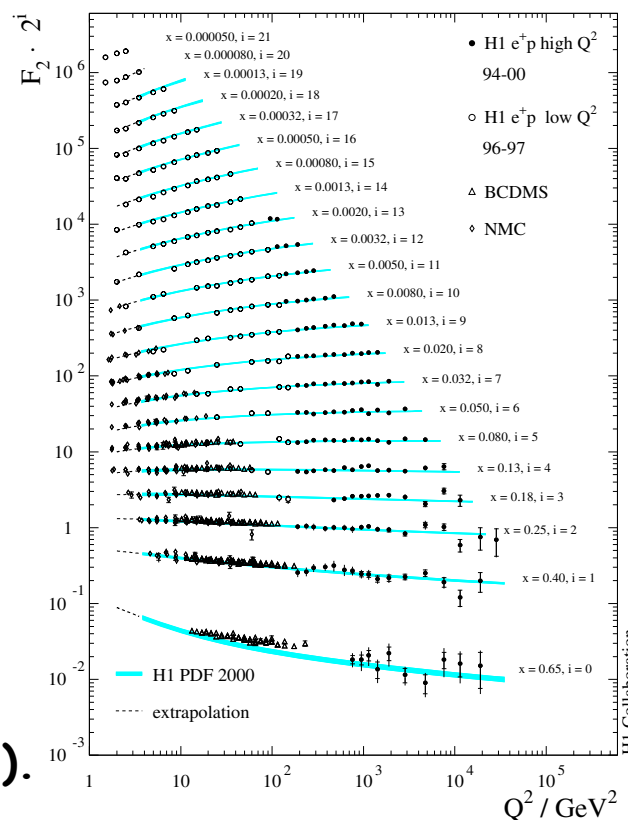
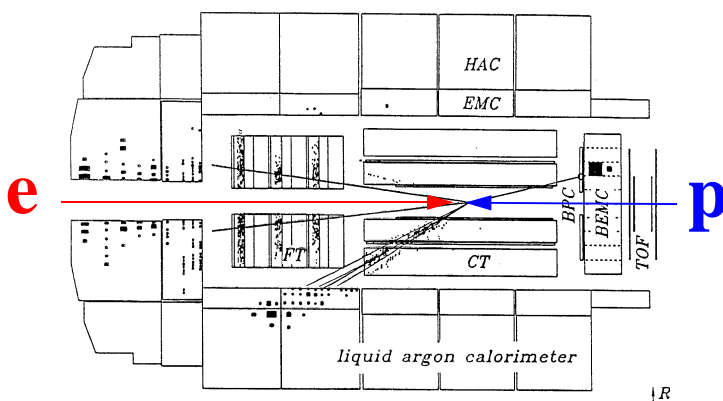
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# Electron-proton scattering

## → Measurement of structure functions



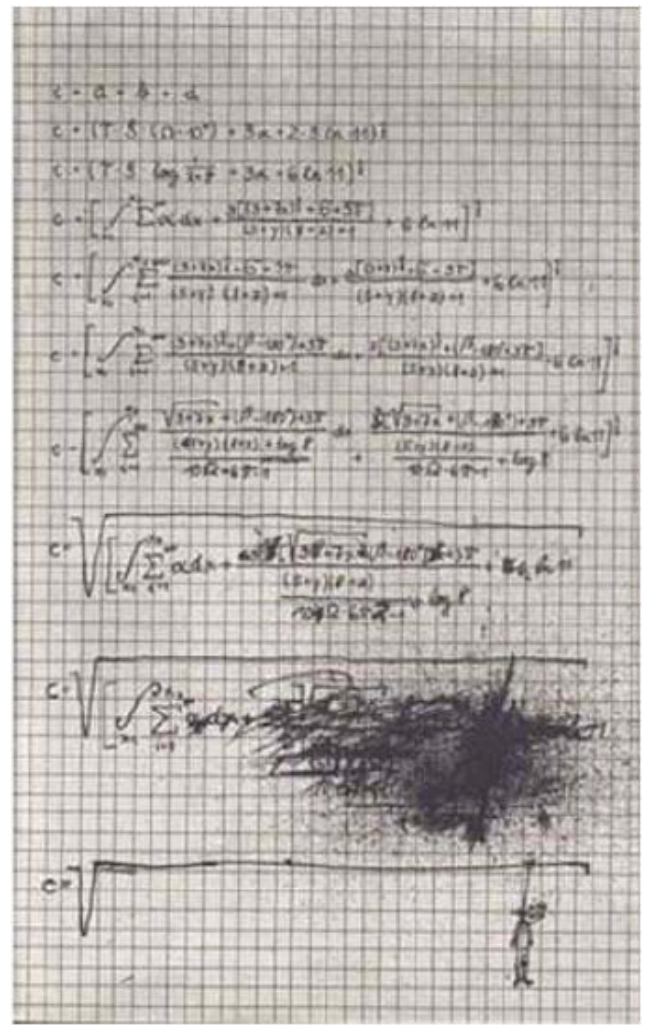
- A measurement of the **cross section** + **the energy and scattering angle** of the electron made it possible to measure  $F_2$ .
- **No quark sub-structure** was observed down to  $10^{-18}$  m (1/1000th of a proton).

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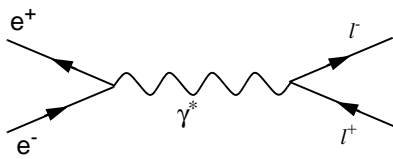
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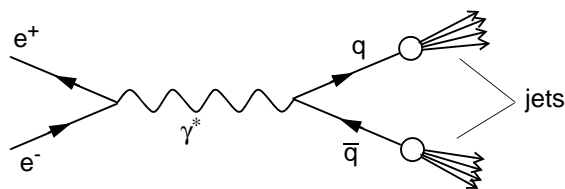
# Summary of scattering formulas



## SUMMARY: Electron-Positron interactions



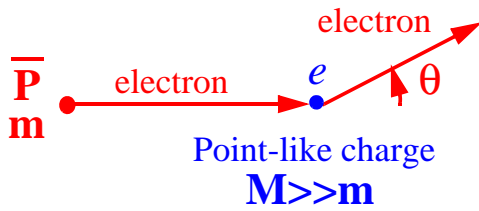
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta}(e^+e^- \rightarrow l^+l^-) = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{2Q^2}(1 + \cos^2\theta)$$



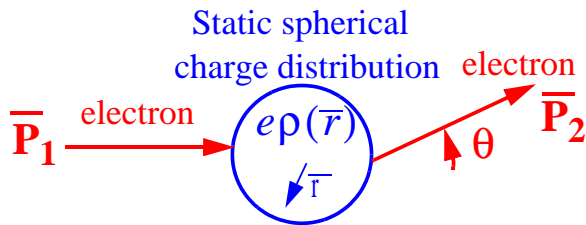
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta}(e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}) = N_c e_q^2 \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{2Q^2}(1 + \cos^2\theta)$$



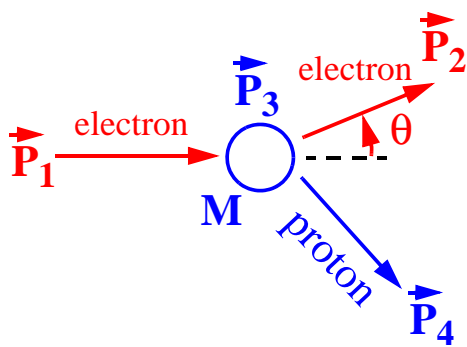
# SUMMARY: Elastic electron-proton scattering



$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M = \frac{\alpha^2}{4p^4 \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \left(m^2 + p^2 \cos^2\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$



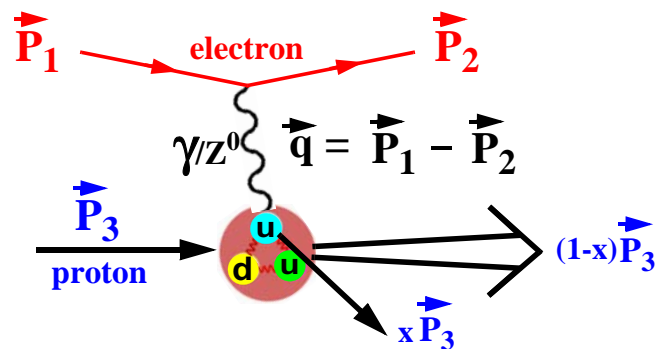
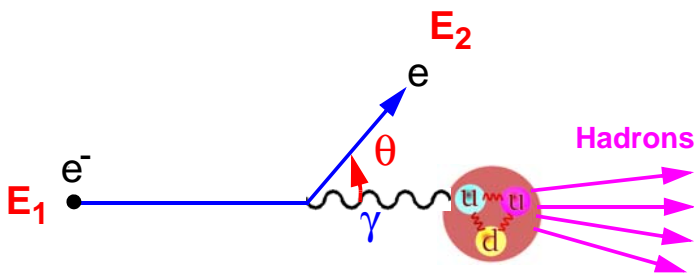
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R G_E^2(q^2)$$



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M \times \left(G_1(Q^2) \cos^2\frac{2\theta}{2} + \frac{Q^2}{2M^2} G_2(Q^2) \sin^2\frac{2\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$G_1(Q^2) = \frac{G_E^2 + \frac{Q^2}{4M^2} G_M^2}{1 + \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}} \quad G_2(Q^2) = G_M^2$$

# SUMMARY: Inelastic electron-proton scattering



$$Q^2 = -\vec{q} \cdot \vec{q}$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2MV} \quad \text{Bjorken - } x$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE_2 d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4E_1^2 \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \cdot \frac{1}{v} \cdot \left[ F_2(x, Q^2) \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + \frac{Q^2}{xM^2} F_1(x, Q^2) \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right]$$