



MASTERCLASS

Experimental method in High Energy Physics



HOW DO WE CREATE PARTICLES?

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Better ideas?

CIRCULAR ACCELERATORS



But how do you force particles on a circular trajectory?



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What happens in reality:

- straight passages to accelerate
- curved passages to redirect

Do you know any example of circular accelerators?





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Did you know that Japan consists of about **14000** islands?

If you are looking for chopsticks in Japan, you should ask for "**Hashi**"

Naruhito, Japan's Emperor



Currently Japan is in the Reiwa era, which means "**Beautiful armony**"

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WHAT DO WE ACTUALLY SEE?

Imagine a car crash:

wreckage is flying around and stops somewhere
→ the car's velocity can be deduced

by the wreckage distance to the cars and their color



HOW DO WE SEE PARTICLES?

Build a detector around the collision point

We don't see the particles literally You need to reconstruct them from many small information pieces















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- additionally, the vertex can be deduced



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 $v = \frac{p}{m}$ heavier particles are slower!







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WHAT'S NEXT?



Why is not enough to just find one event?statistical fluctuations

 \rightarrow every measurement contains

uncertainties and errors

→ the more individual measurements the smaller the overall uncertainty

Let's have a look to some events!

Final energy & momentum Sum?

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

Current energy & momentum

Time (nanoseconds)

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PARTICLE DECAY: FEW RULES



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