

# Publication patterns in HEP computing

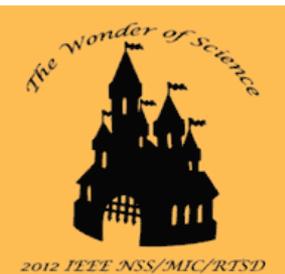
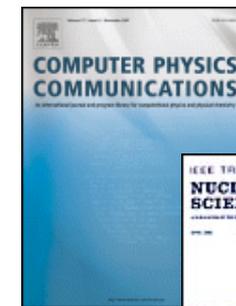
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**Anaheim, CA**



# Analysis topics

## ● General tools

- Geant4
- ROOT

## ● HEP experiments

- LEP
  - ALEPH, DELPHI, L3, OPAL
- CDF
- BaBar
- LHC
  - ALICE, ATLAS, CMS, LHCb, TOTEM

## ● Grid computing

- LCG

- What they publish
- How much
- Where
- Citations
- Technology vs physics
- Software vs hardware
- Software/DAQ-trigger

**Representative  
Not exhaustive**

*No time to report all the results*

# Data sources

## ● Thomson-Reuters: ISI Web of Knowledge

- CERN subscription: since 1970, conference database not included
- Search by keywords, collaboration name

## ● Journal web sites

- IEEE TNS
- NIM, Comp. Phys. Comm. (*Elsevier*)
- JINST (*IOP/SISSA*)
- Full-text searches

## ● CERN databases

- CERN Document System
- Greybook

## ● Years: 1982-2011 (*LEP*), 1992-2011 (*BaBar*, *LHC*)

- Reproducible sample for citation analysis

## ● Publication analysis extended to 30 September 2012

# Data sample

## ● Contamination

- Non-pertinent entries in the data sample

## ● Omission

- Pertinent papers are not included in the data sample

## ⇒ Cross-checks

- WoS/CDS, WoS/publishers' web sites

## ● WoS inconsistencies and errors

- Total number of citations includes Conference database
- Proceedings papers: false classifications and omissions
- ⇒ Manually corrected whenever possible

## ● Automated analysis (whenever possible)

## ● Manual evaluation: abstracts and full-text papers

- Some degree of **subjectivity**

# Geant 4

S. Agostinelli et al.

## **Geant4: a simulation toolkit**

NIM A, vol. 506, no. 3, pp. 250-303, 2003

**3301 citations**

*(20 October 2012)*

Most cited CERN publication in WoS

*(excluding Rev. Part. Properties)*

J. Allison et al.

## **Geant4 Developments and Applications**

IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci., vol. 53, no. 1, pp. 270-278, 2006

**665 citations**

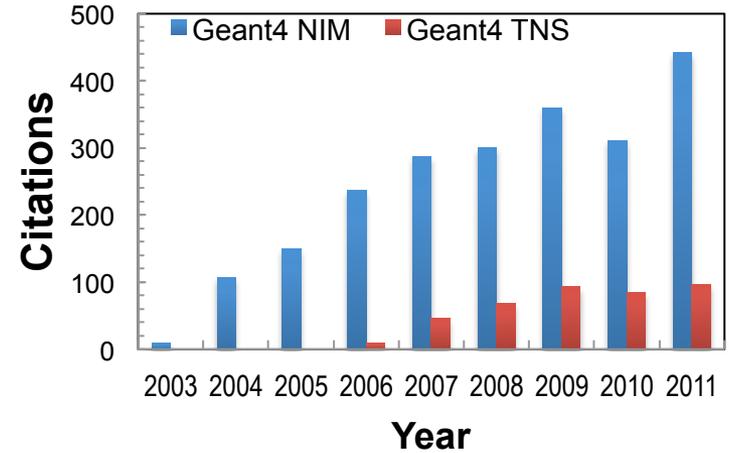
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*Many papers cite the NIM paper, but they omit citing the TNS one, even though both are indicated in <http://cern.ch/geant4>*

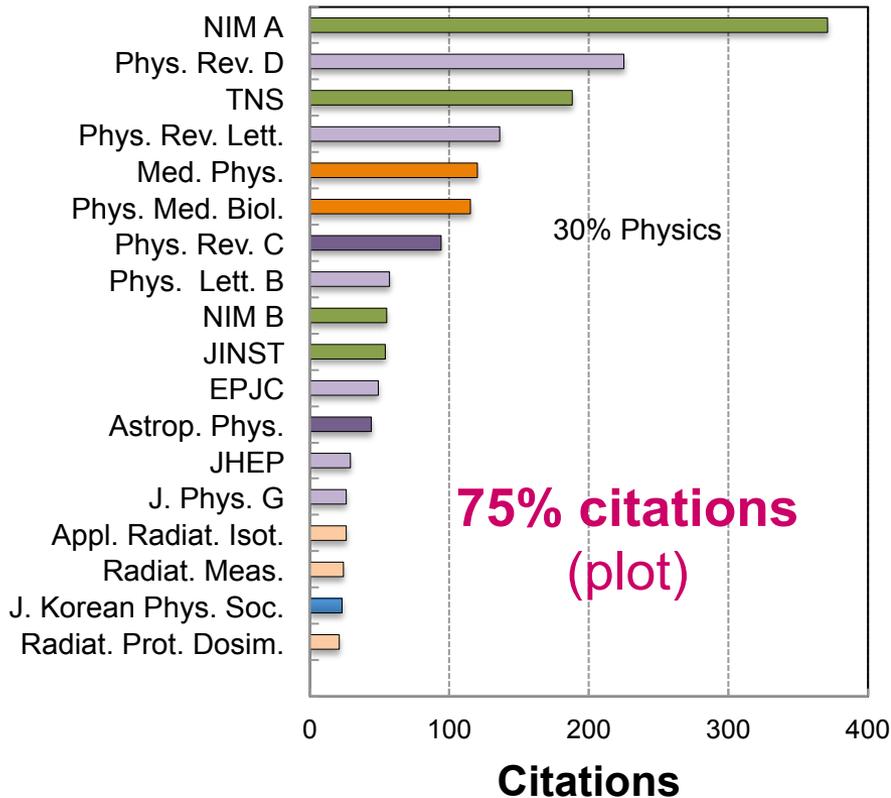
*Many papers that use Geant4 do not cite either reference*

# Geant 4

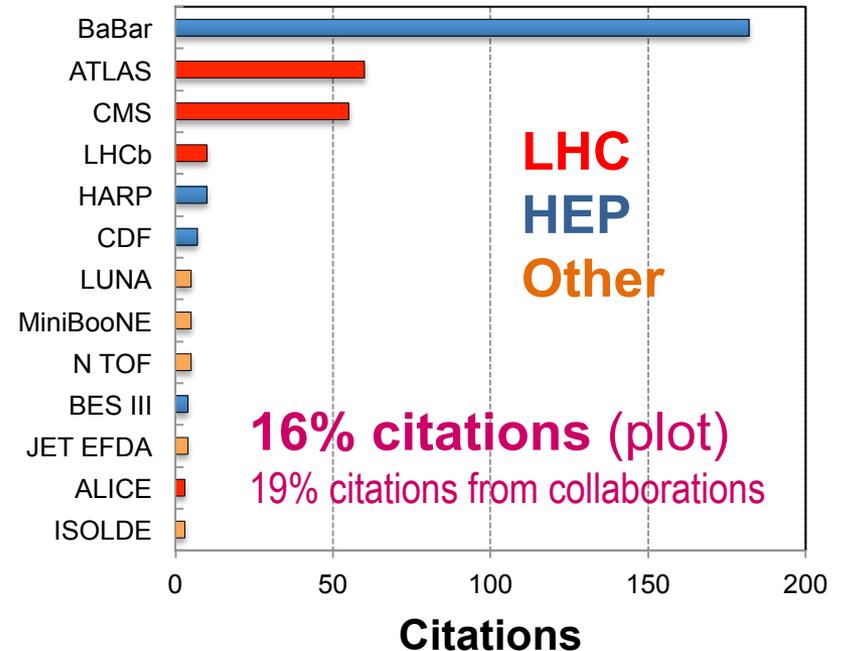
Born from LHC experimental requirements  
**Multidisciplinary** sources of citations



## Geant4 NIM: Citing Journals

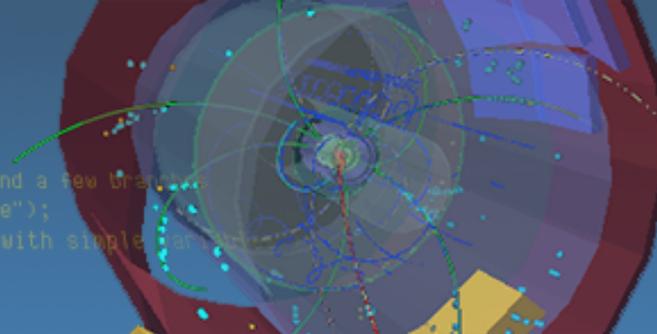


## G4 NIM: Citing Collaborations



# ROOT

```
//create the file, the Tree and a few branches
TFile f("tree1.root","recreate");
TTree t1("t1","a simple Tree with simple branches");
t1.Branch("px",&px,"px/F");
t1.Branch("py",&py,"py/F");
```



R. Brun and F. Rademakers

**ROOT - An object oriented data analysis framework**

NIM A, vol. 389, no. 1-2, pp. 81-86, 1997

**584 citations**

*(20 October 2012)*

AIHENP Workshop **proceedings paper**

I. Antcheva et al.

**ROOT - A C++ framework for petabyte data storage,  
statistical analysis and visualization**

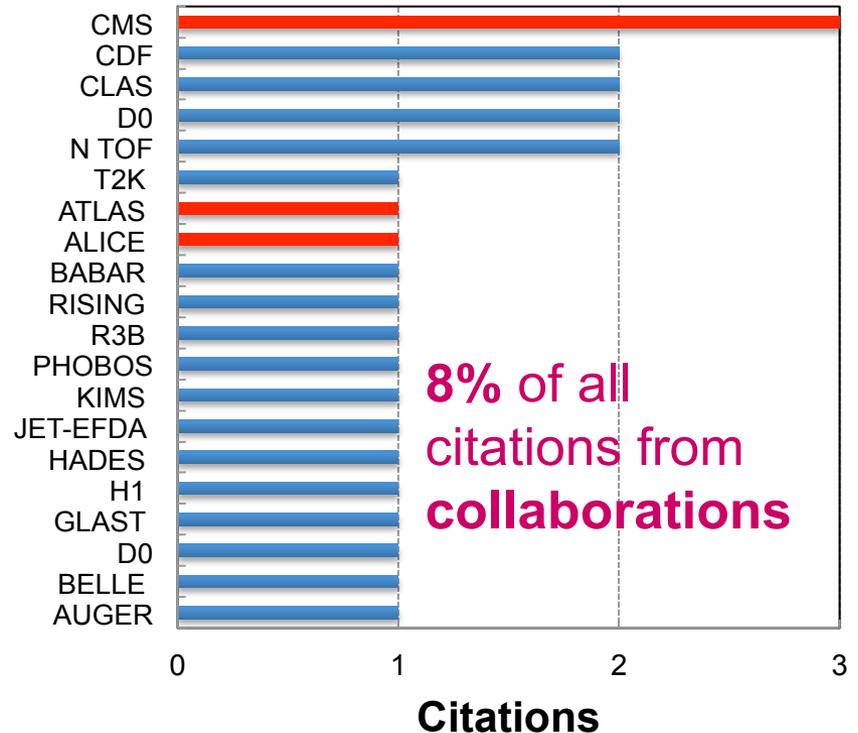
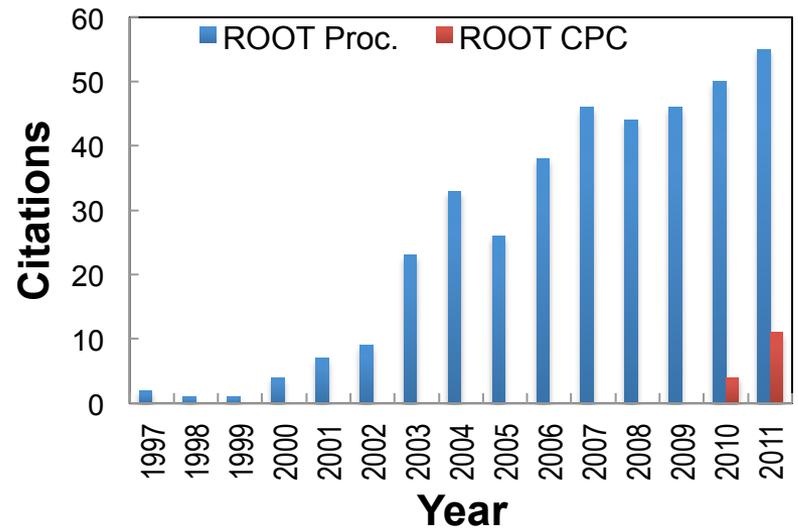
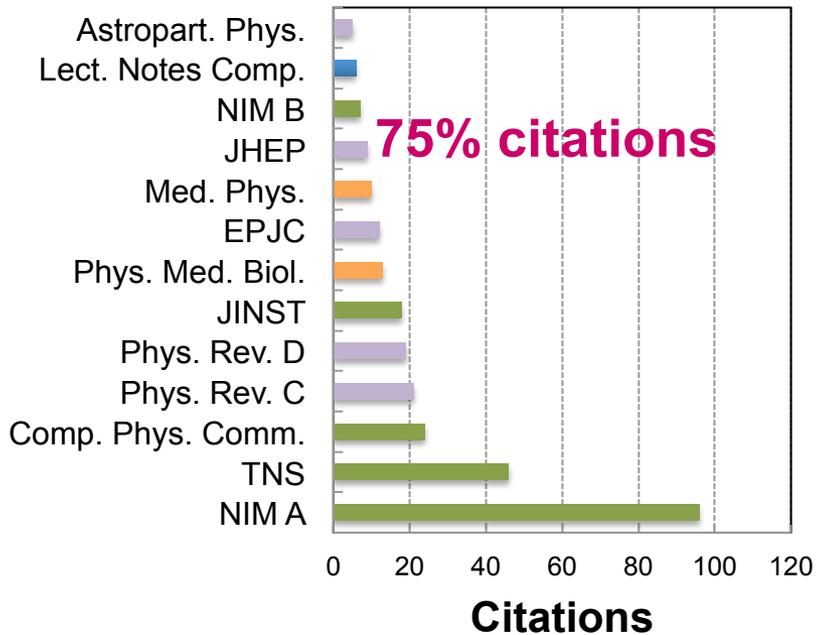
Comp. Phys Comm., vol. 180, no. 12, pp. 2499-2512, 2009

**32 citations**

*(20 October 2012)*



## ROOT Proc.: Citing Journals



| Field of citing journals |          |        |
|--------------------------|----------|--------|
|                          | Geant4 % | ROOT % |
| Technology               | 30.3     | 49.6   |
| Physics                  | 29.9     | 18.2   |
| BioMedical               | 13.9     | 6.0    |

# HEP experiments

Start of run

CDF: 1985/1988  
LEP: 1989  
BaBar: 1999  
LHC: 2008

## LEP

- ALEPH
- DELPHI
- L3
- OPAL

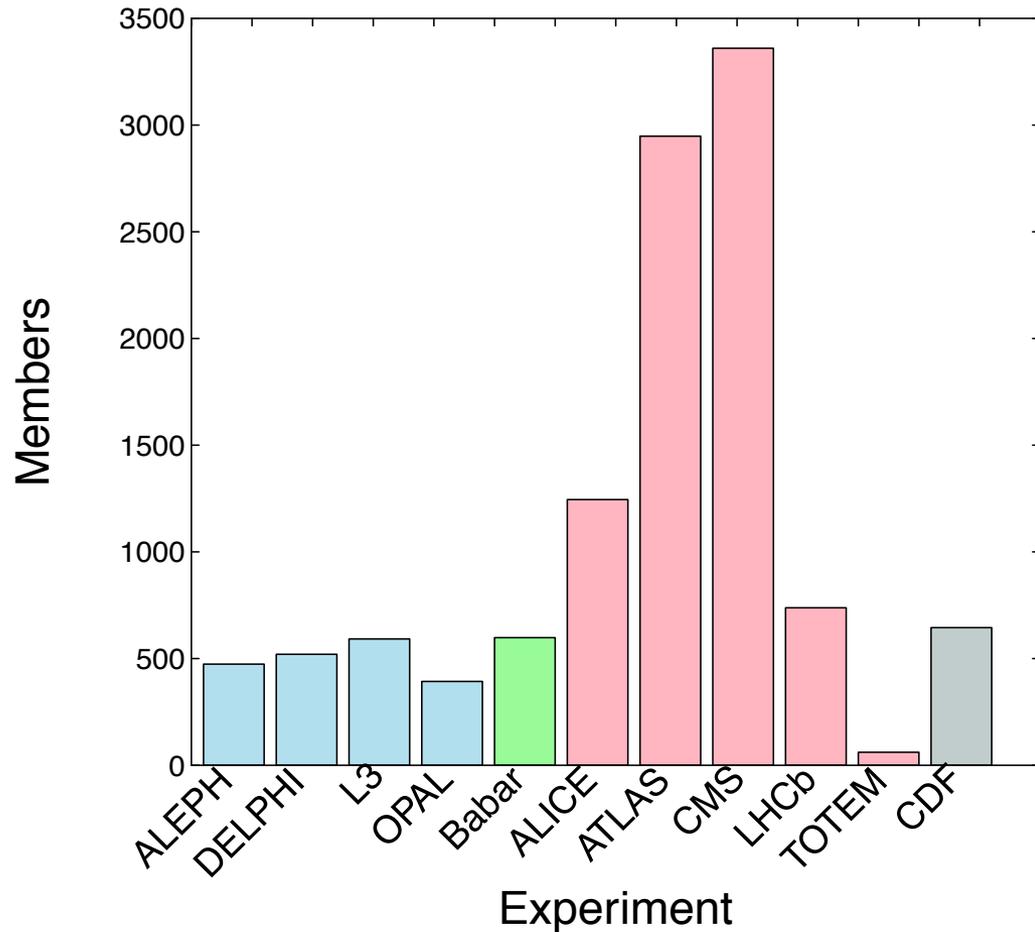
## CDF

BaBar

## LHC

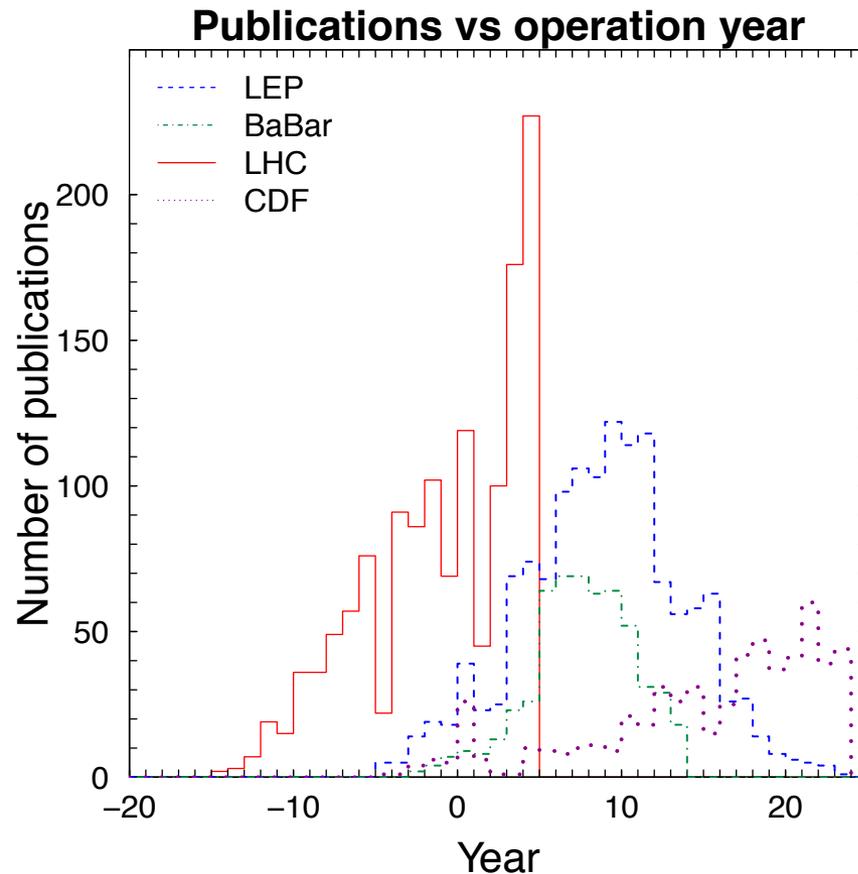
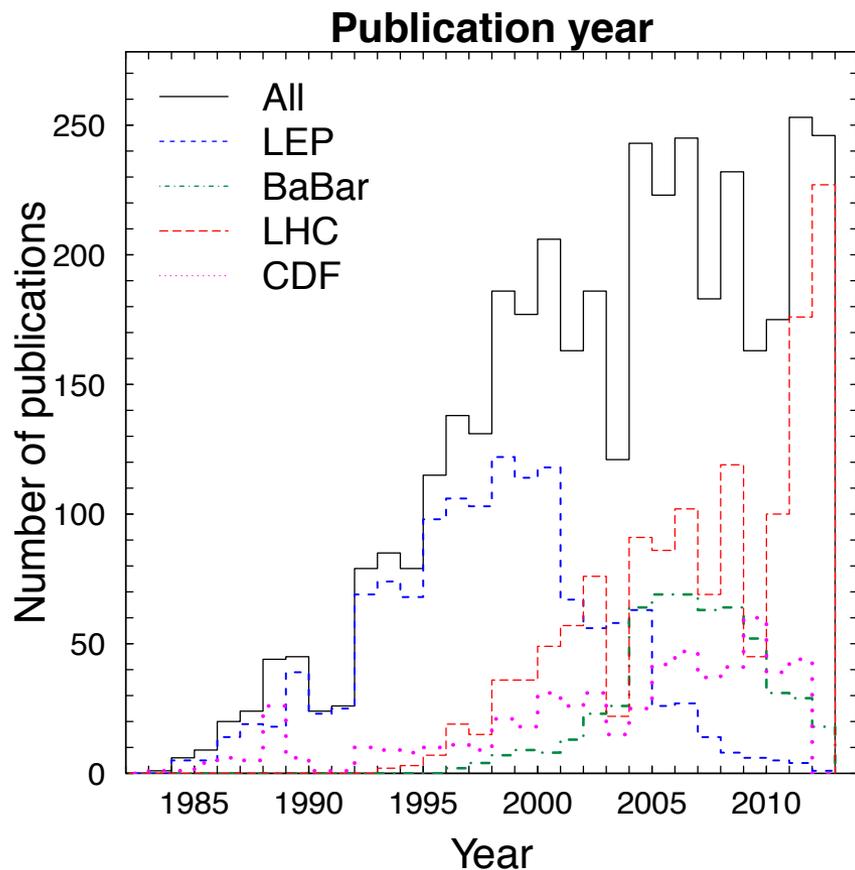
- ALICE
- ATLAS
- CMS
- LHCb
- TOTEM

## Collaboration members



# Time distribution

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Publication year

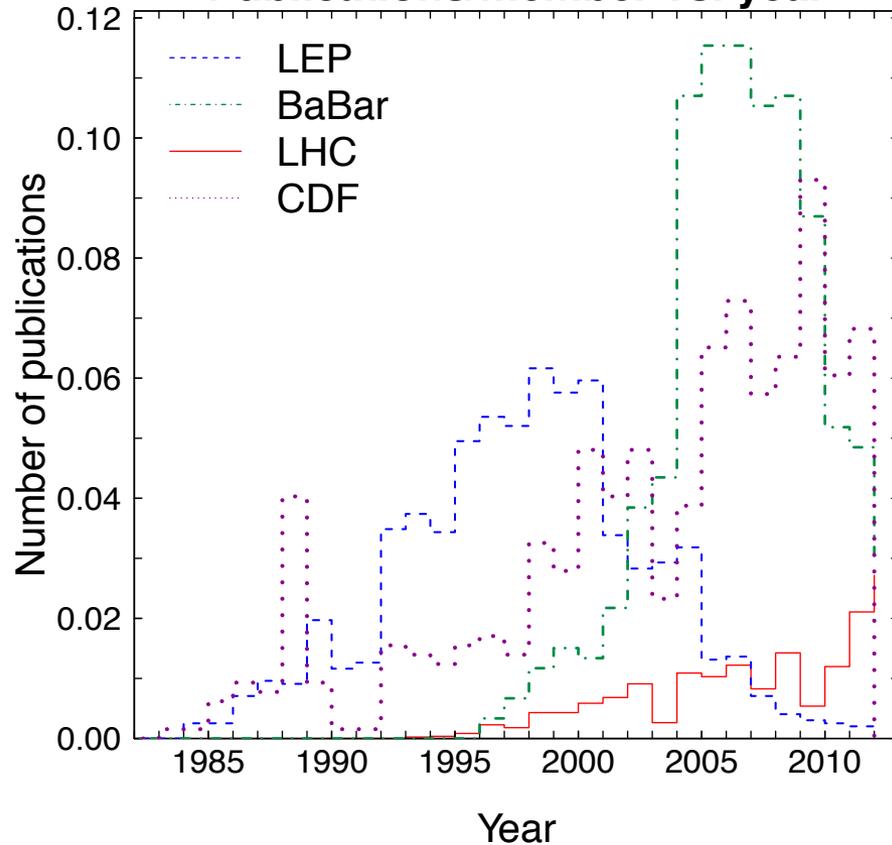
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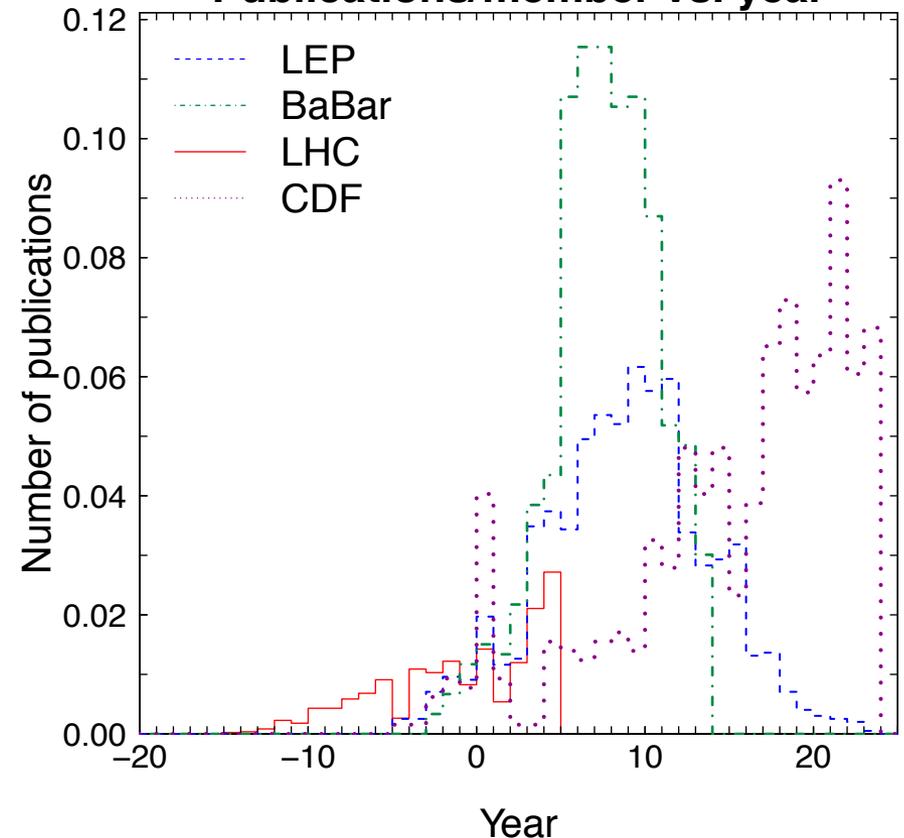
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Publications/member vs. year



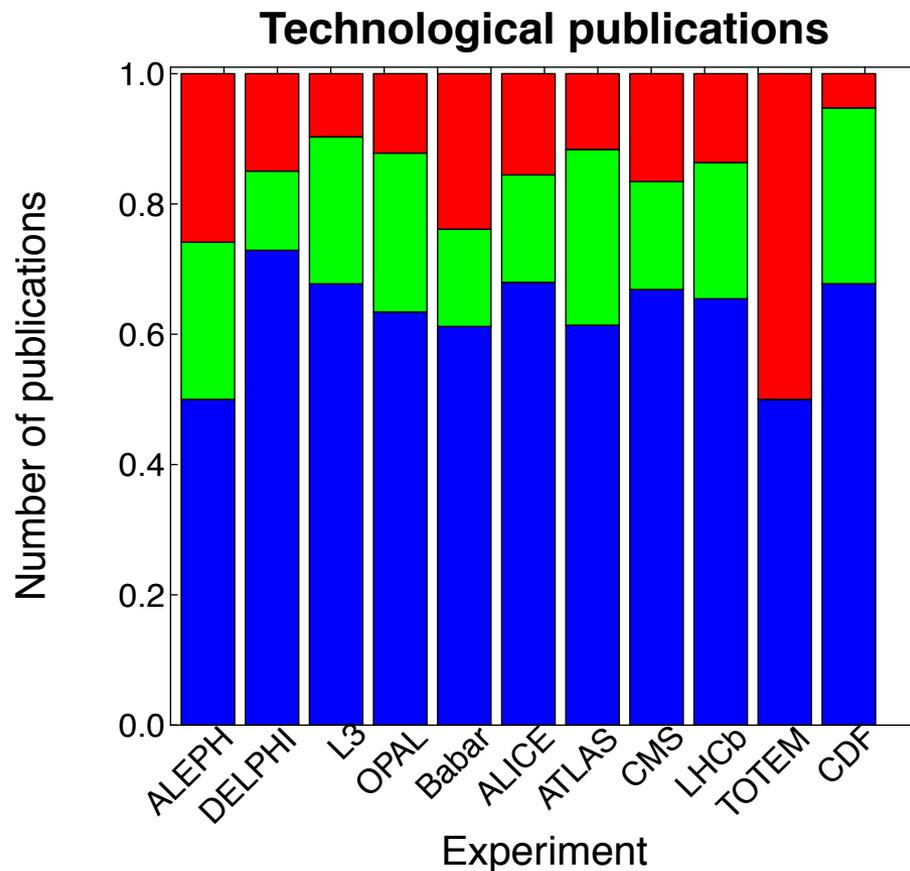
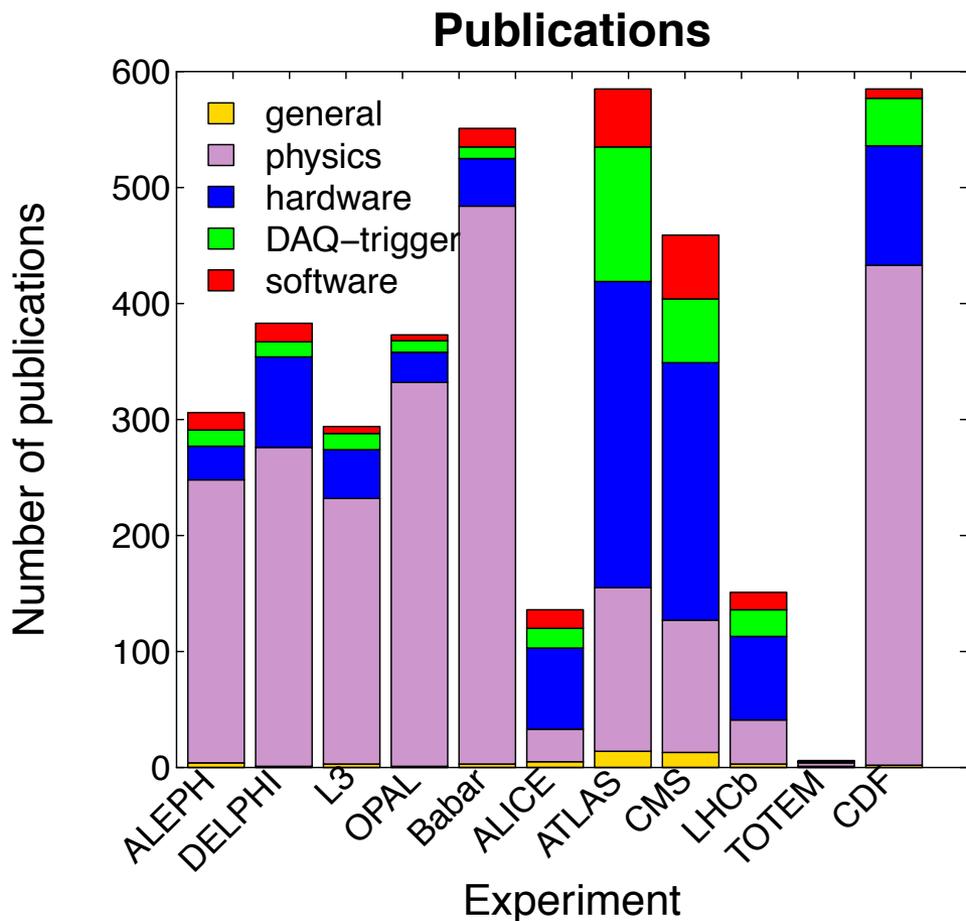
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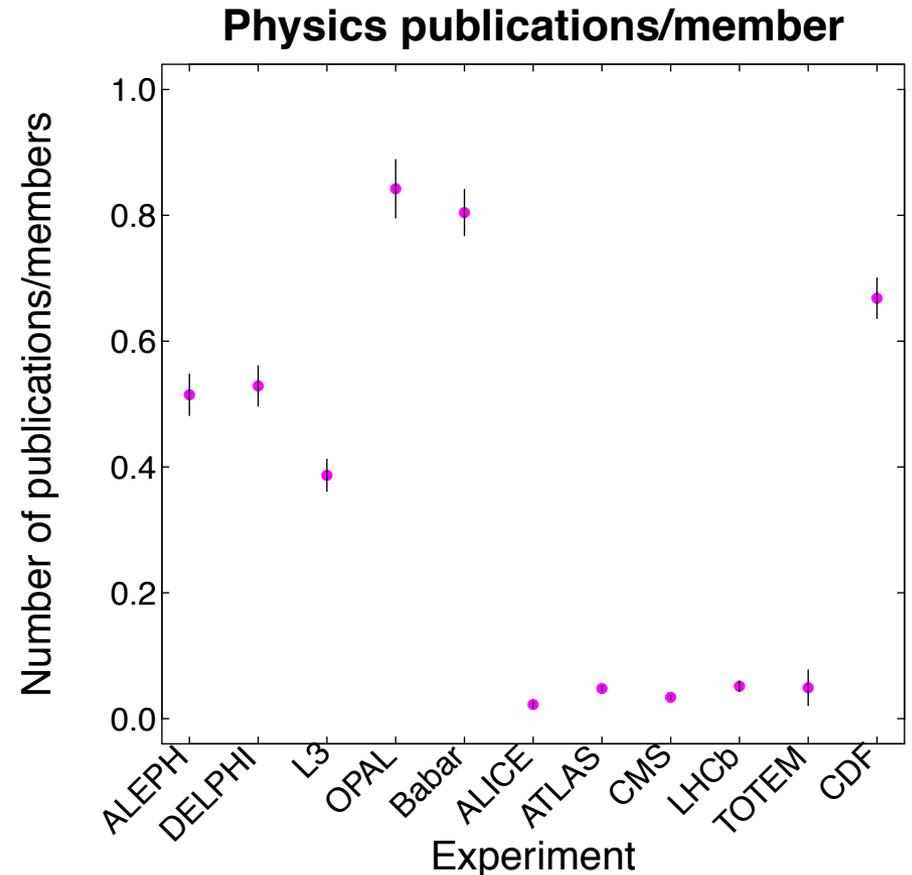
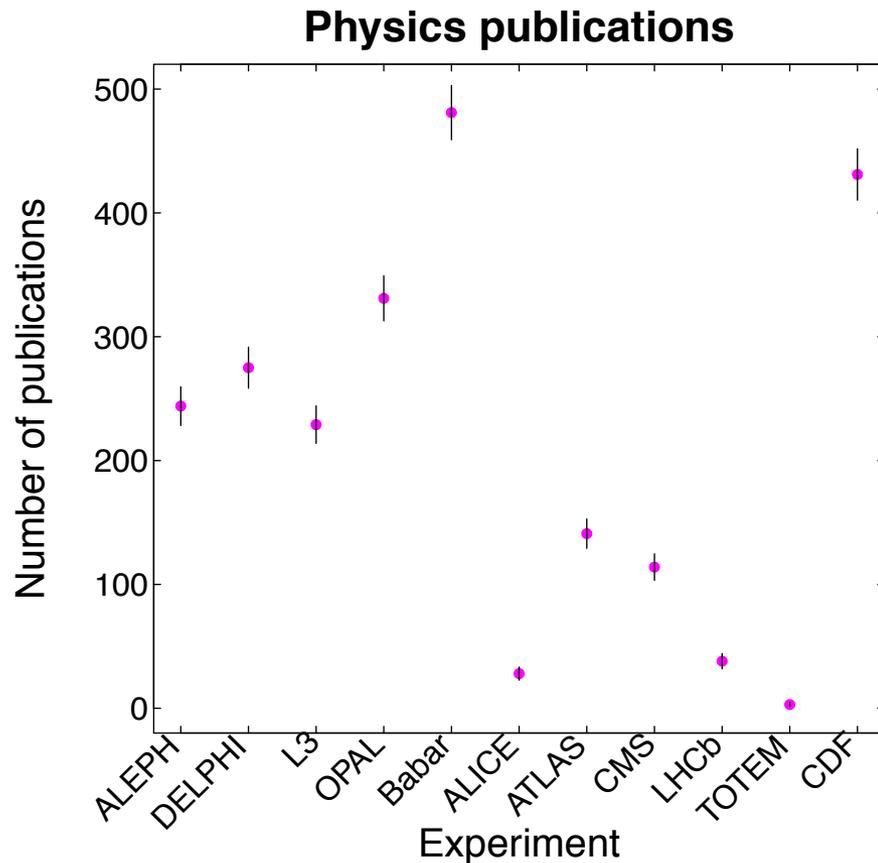
Same as previous slide, rescaled by the number of experiment members

# Publications

Share of hardware, software and DAQ-trigger publications



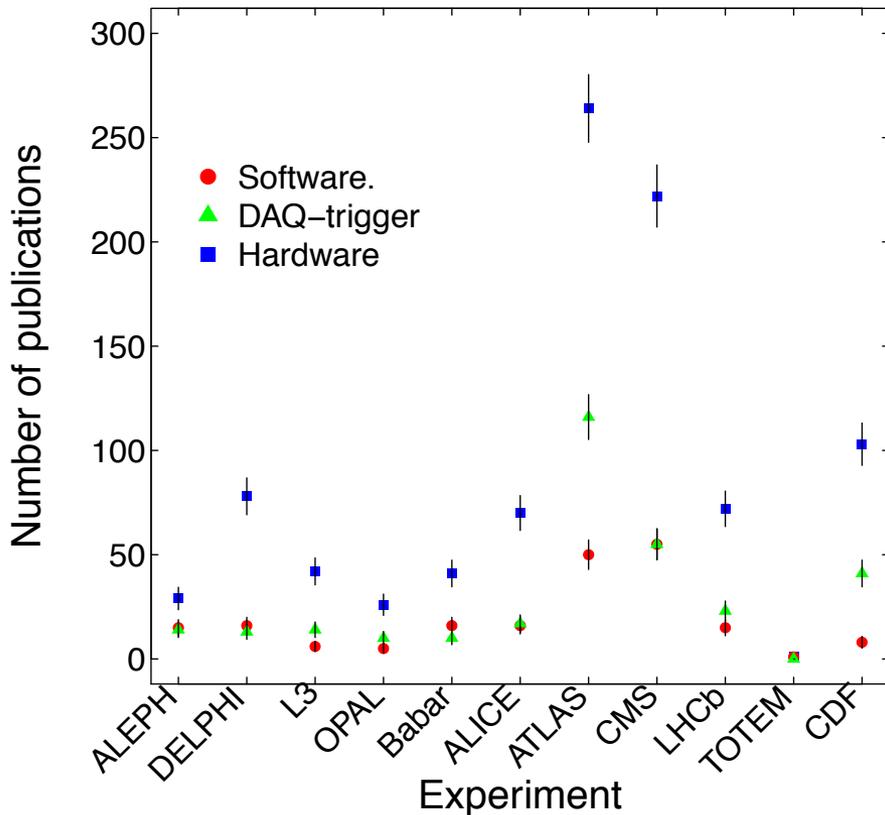
# Physics publications



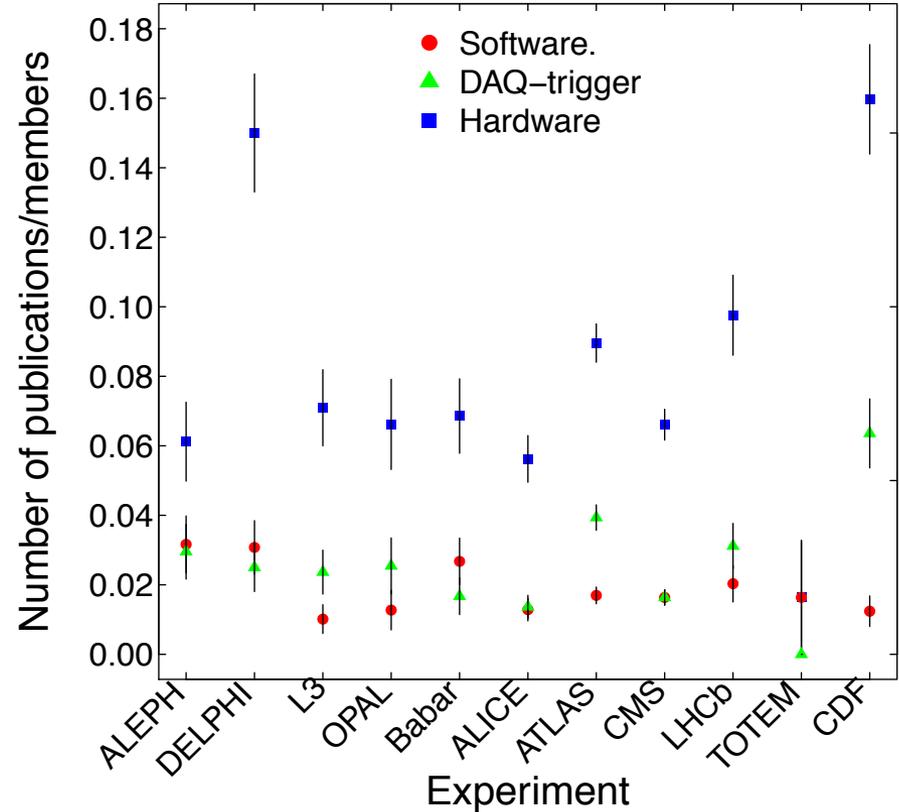
**LEP experiments** completed their life-cycle  
**LHC experiments:** at an early stage of their physics production

# Technological publications

## Technological publications



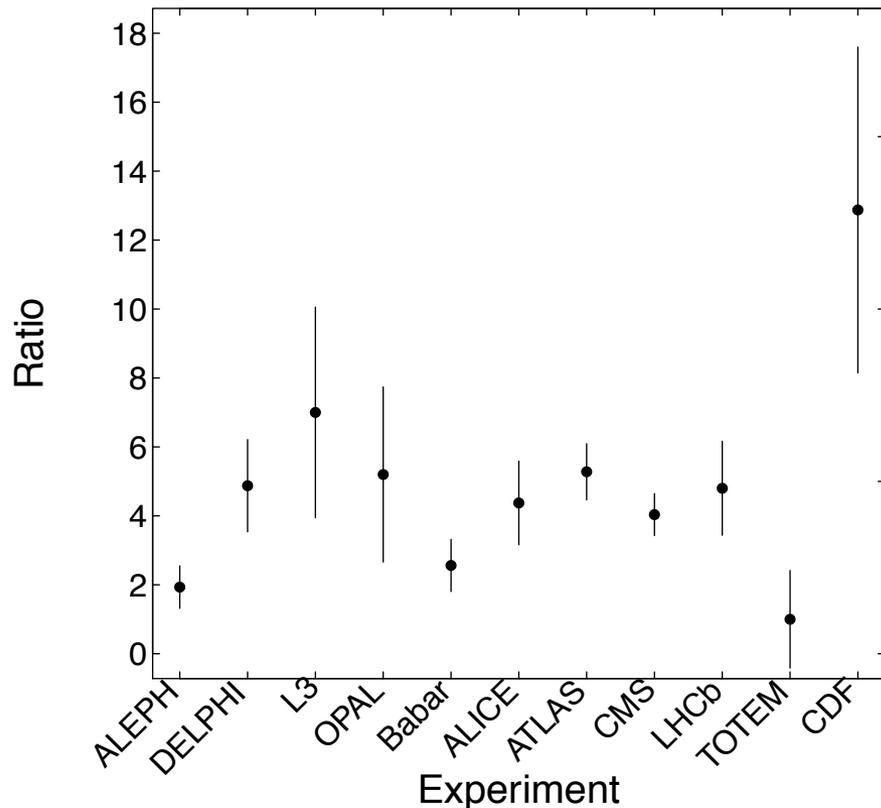
## Technological publications/member



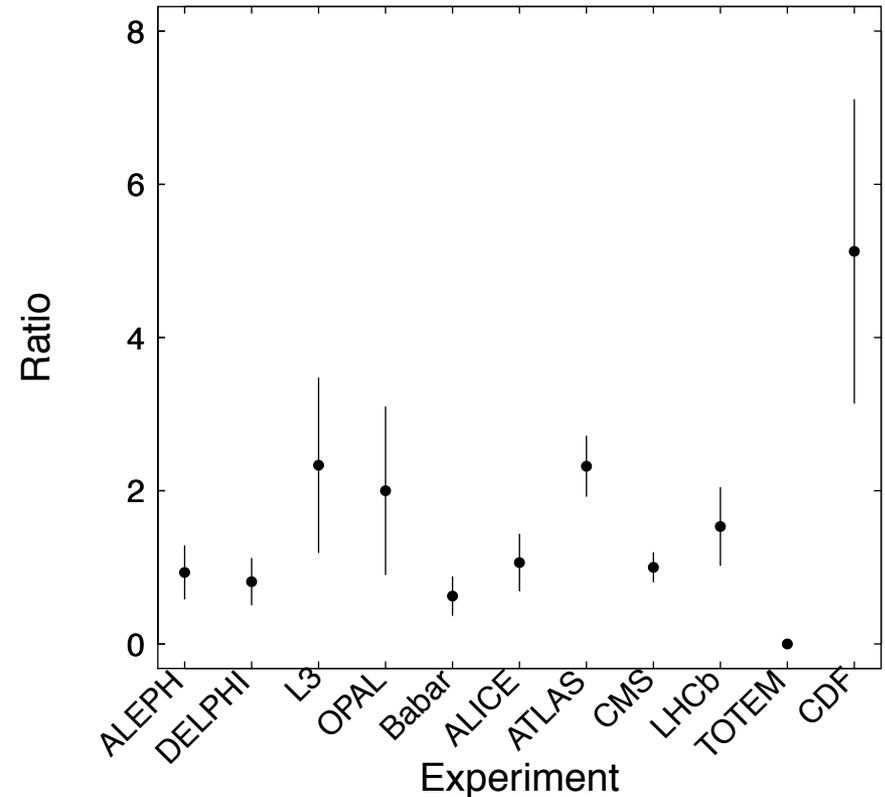
Roughly constant trends, once the number of publications is normalized to the number of collaborators

# Software vs. hardware

Hardware/software publications

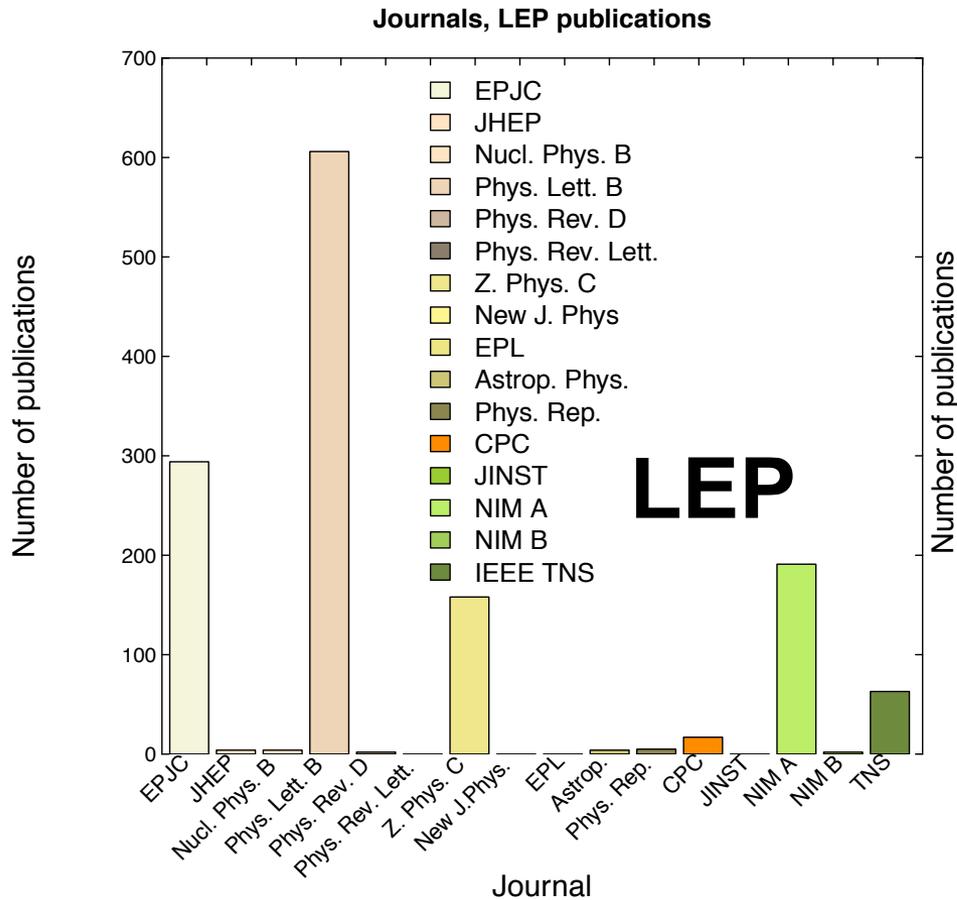


DAQ-trigger/software publications

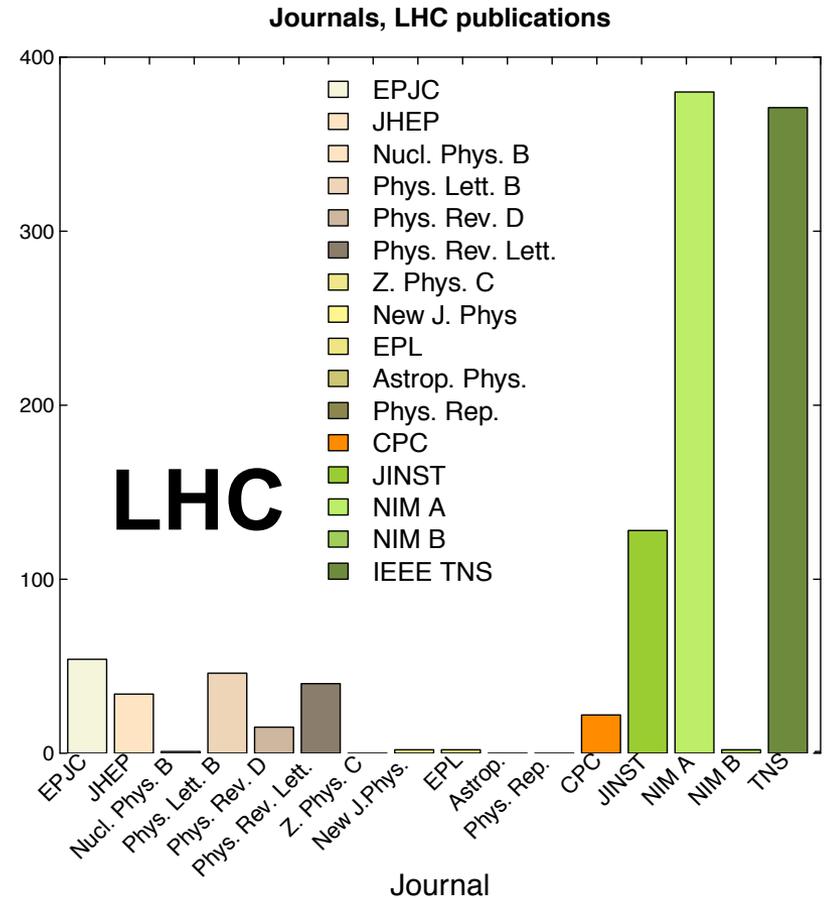


Hardware publications: approximately 4 times more than software  
DAQ-trigger publications: approximately 1.3 times more than software

# Journals: LEP and LHC



Dominated by physics publications



Still dominated by technological publications

# Citations

The most cited papers are often the general reference papers about the detector published by each experiment

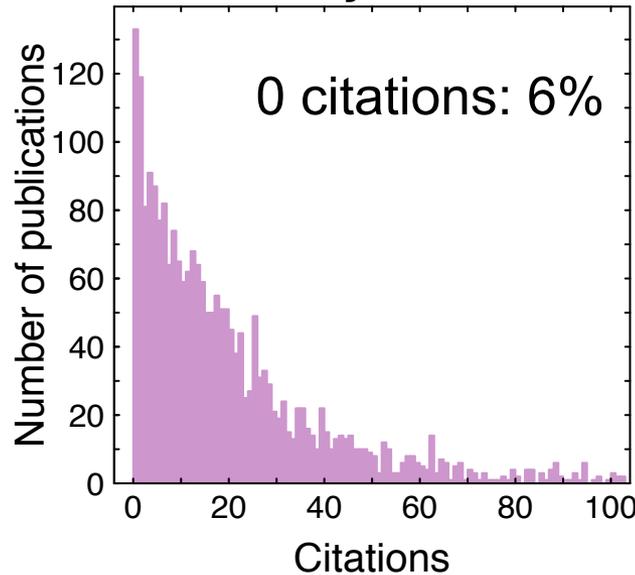
## Citations of the most cited paper

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| <b>ALEPH:</b>  | <b>340</b> |
| <b>DELPHI:</b> | <b>309</b> |
| <b>L3:</b>     | <b>509</b> |
| <b>OPAL:</b>   | <b>473</b> |
| <b>BaBar:</b>  | <b>859</b> |
| <b>ALICE:</b>  | <b>116</b> |
| <b>CMS:</b>    | <b>129</b> |
| <b>LHCb:</b>   | <b>101</b> |
| <b>TOTEM:</b>  | <b>35</b>  |

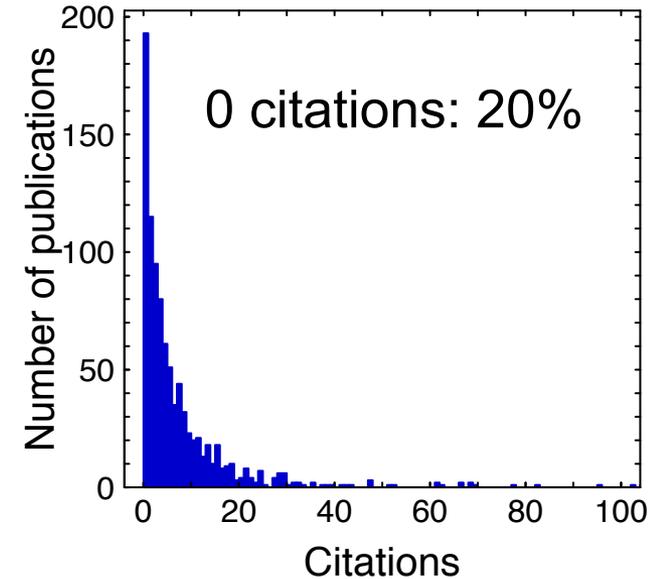
**ATLAS:** ATLAS pixel detector electronics and sensors: **185**

Maria Grazia Pia, *INFN Genova*

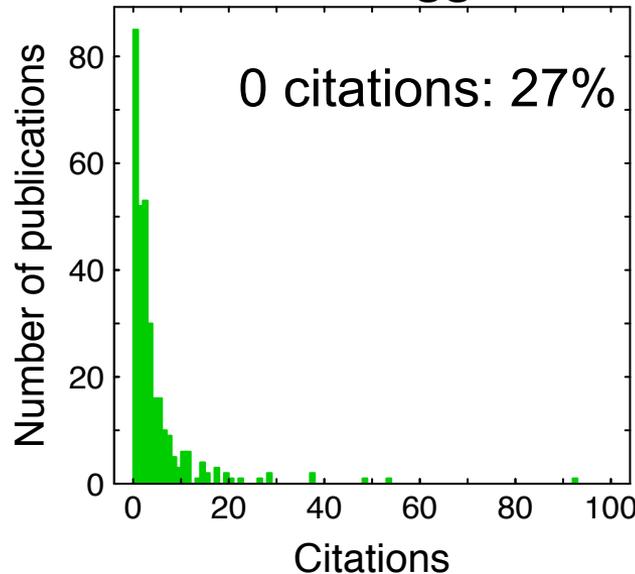
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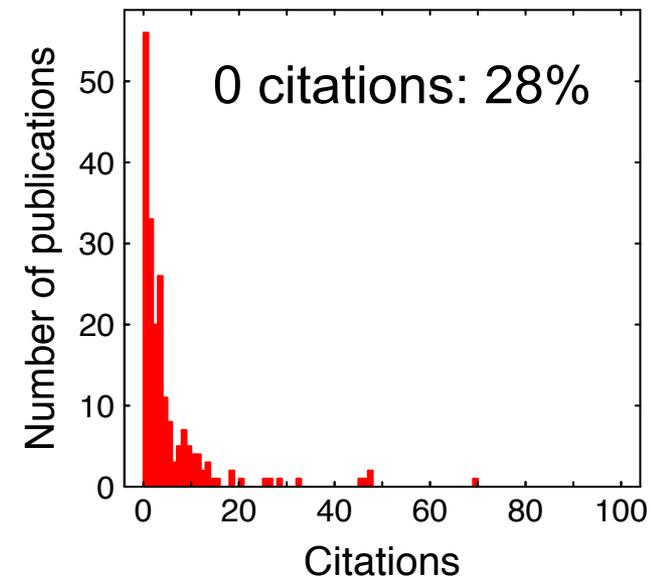
## Hardware



## DAQ-Trigger



## Software



# References

Physics papers cite more references than technological papers

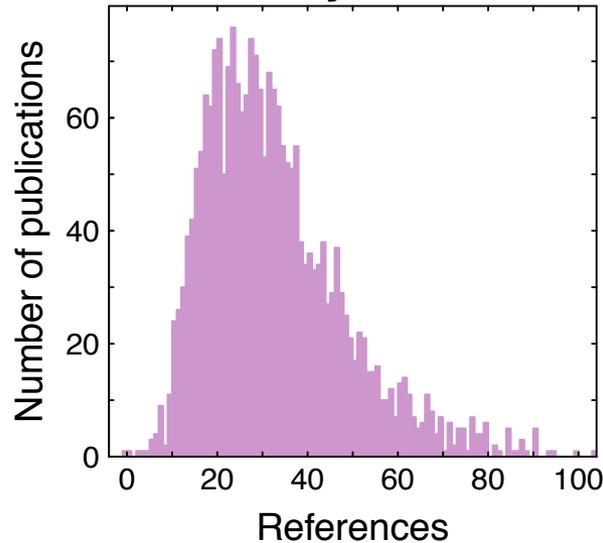
More references



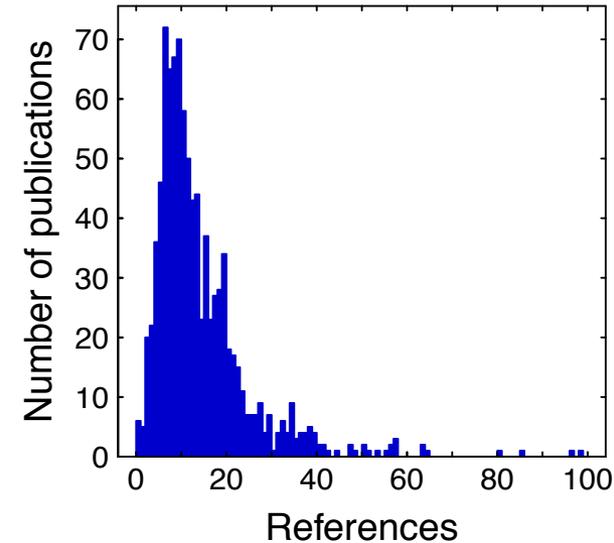
more citations

Bibliographical entries in software papers are often **web sites**

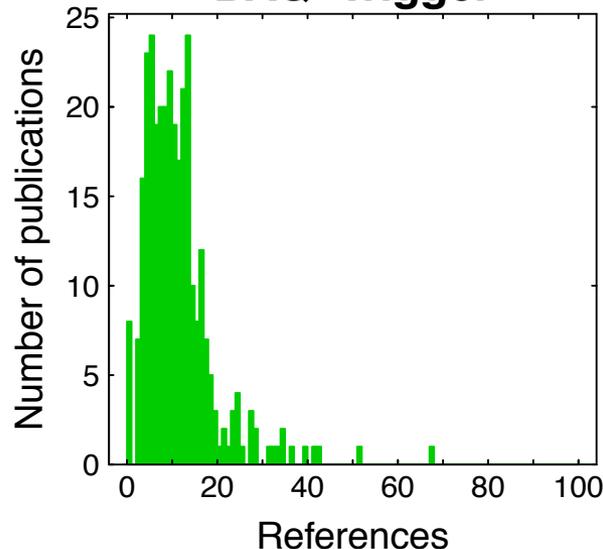
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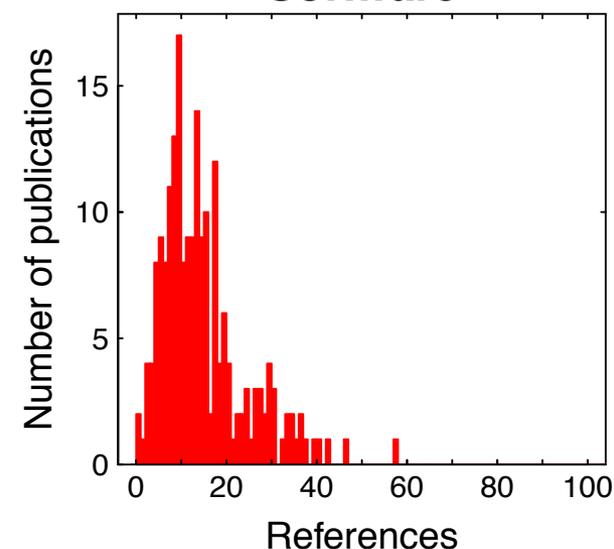
### Hardware



### DAQ-Trigger

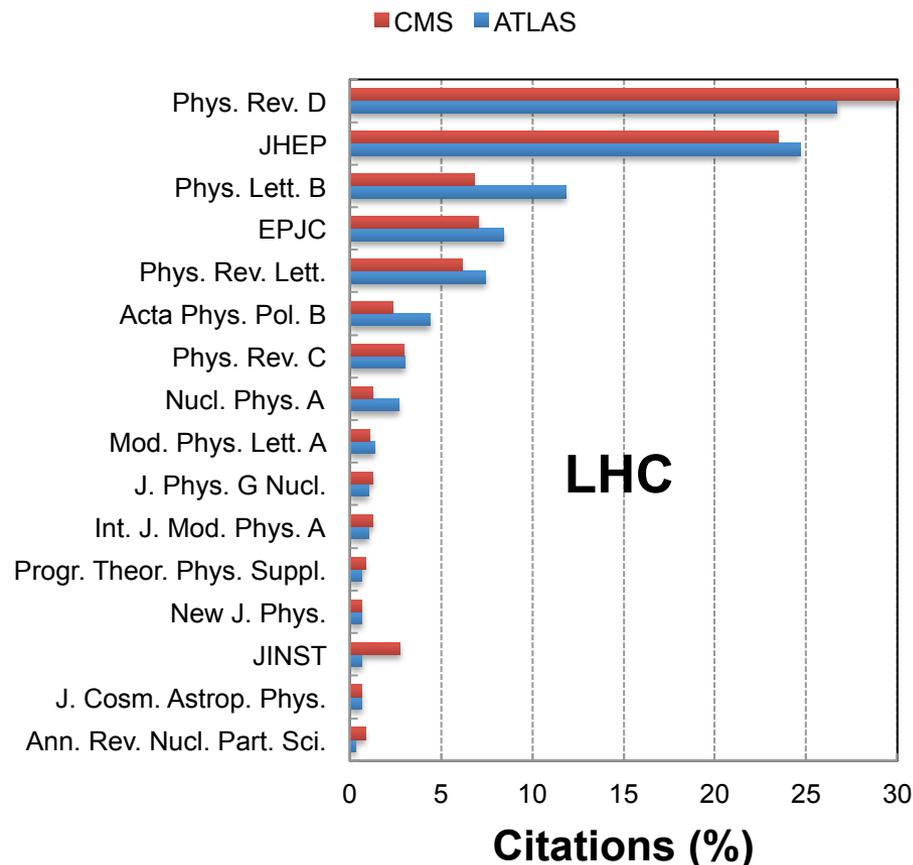
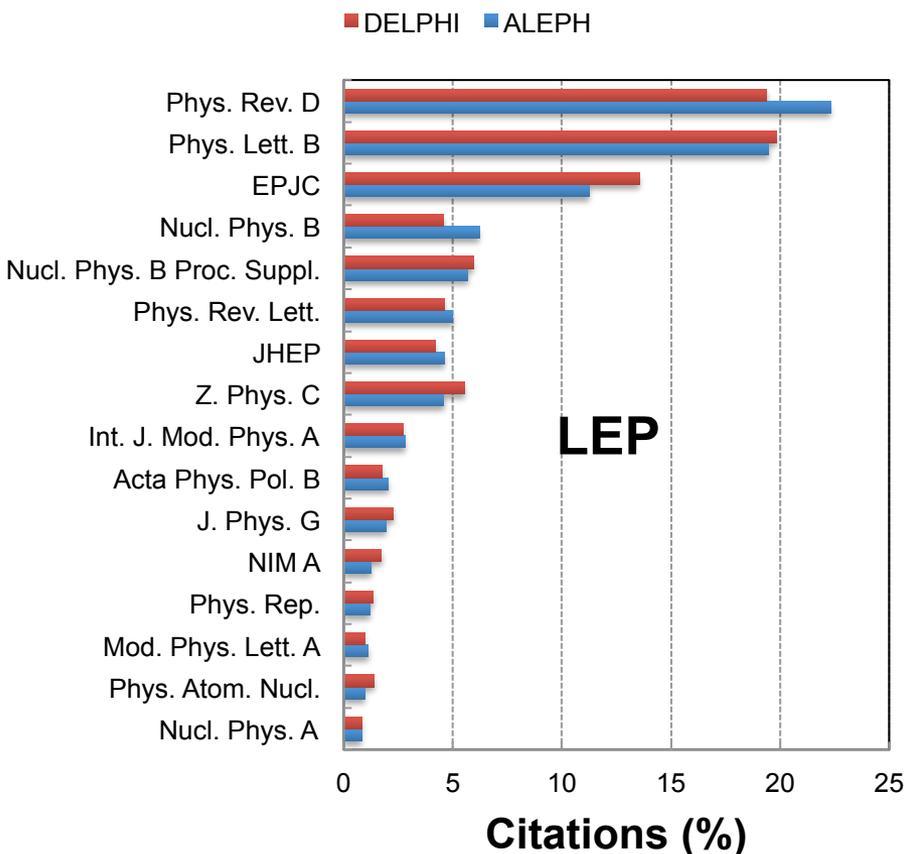


### Software



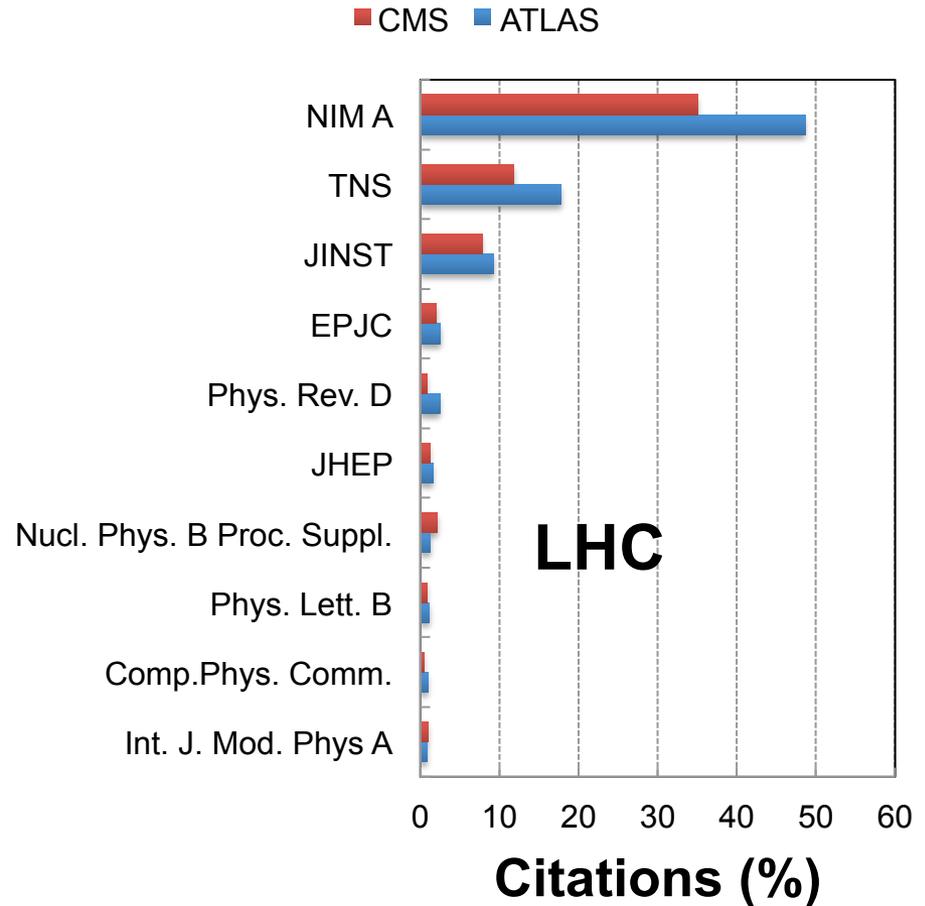
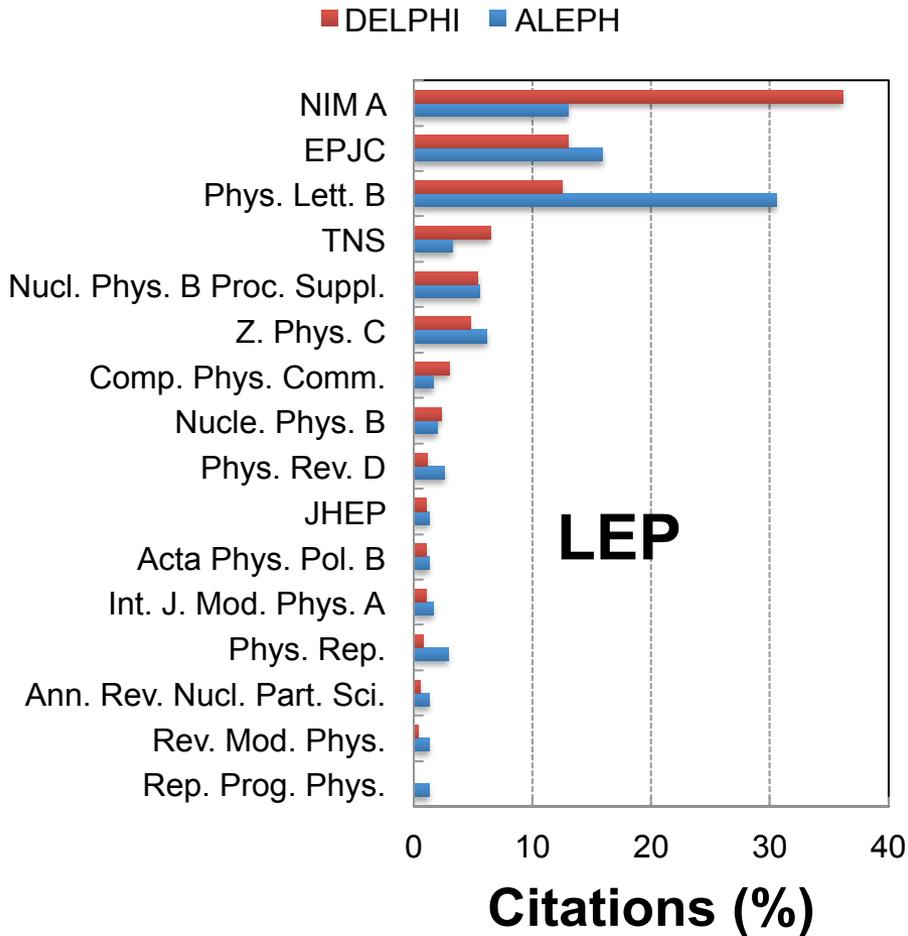
# Sources of citations of physics papers

Samples in plots account for >90% of citations



Citations to HEP physics papers mostly come from journals specialized in HEP and a few related fields (astroparticle and nuclear physics)

# Sources of citations of technological papers

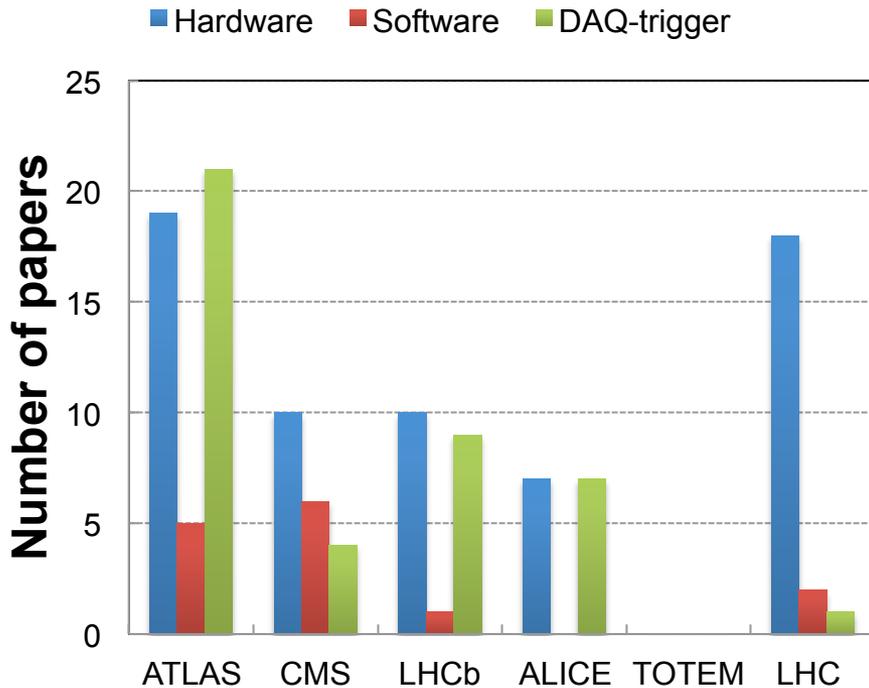


Citations from HEP physics and technology journals

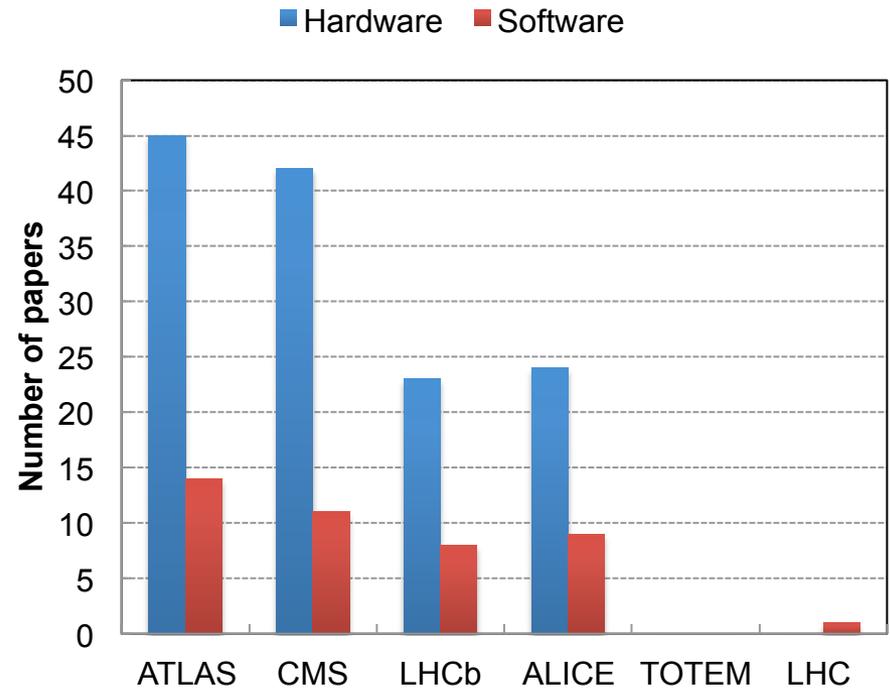
# 2008-2011

More refined analysis of technological papers published since the start of LHC run

### TNS 2008-2011

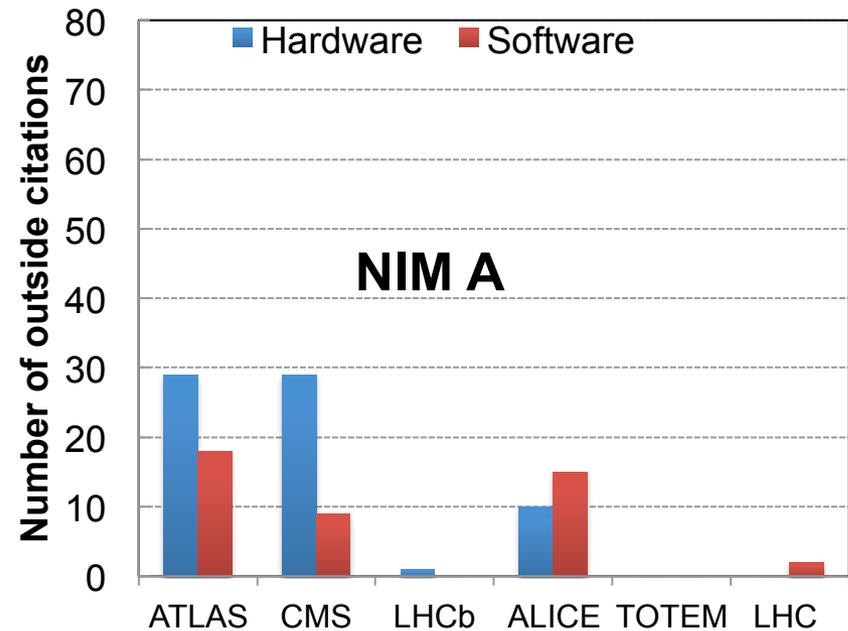
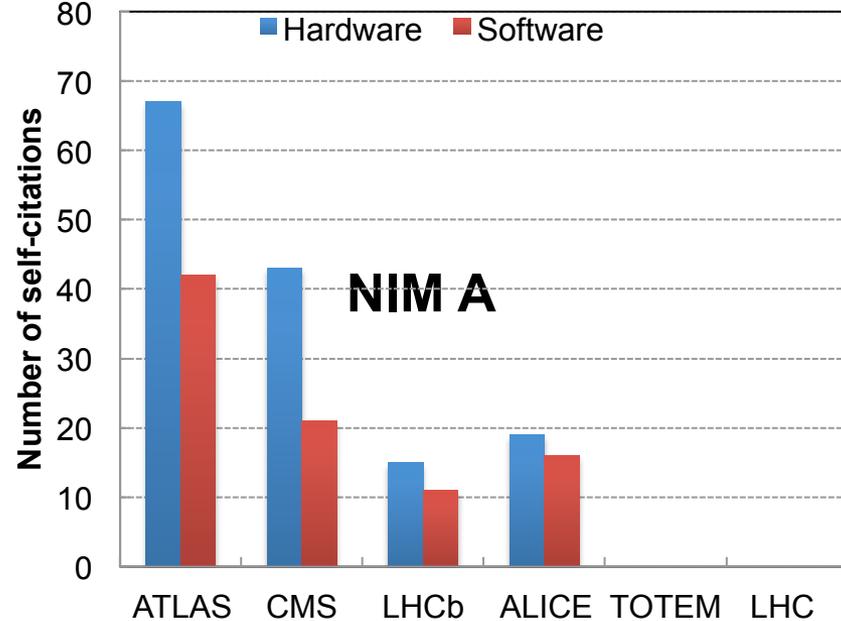
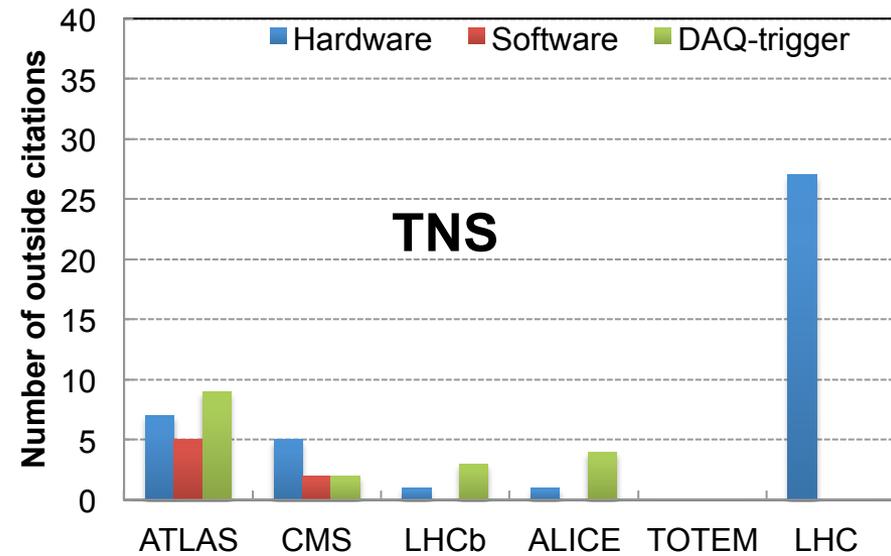
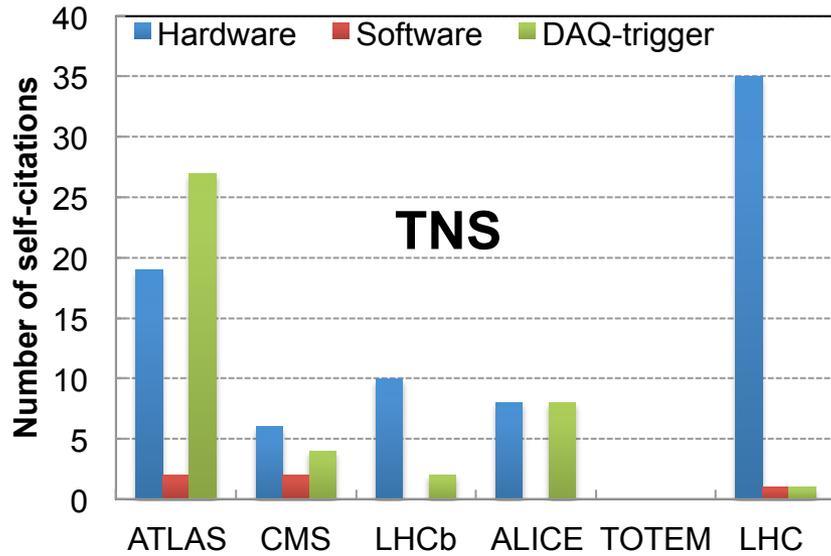


### NIM 2008-2011



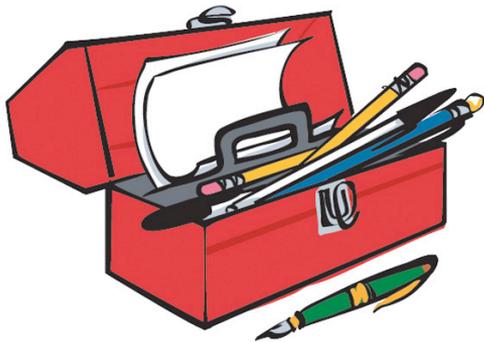
# Self-citations

# Outside citations



# Conclusions

- Software is largely **underrepresented** in HEP scholarly literature w.r.t. hardware
- **Publication patterns** appear similar in the LEP and LHC era
- **Citation patterns** are different for publications by HEP experiments and about general software tools



## Publish!

## ...and don't forget to cite