

CRYSTAL CHANNELING STUDIES AT MODERN ACCELERATOR FACILITIES

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AARP @ Beams Channeling
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Outlook

- Channeling in bent crystals
 - Hadron beam collimation and extraction
 - Spin precession
 - Electron and positron beam extraction
- Channeling radiation of electrons and positrons
 - Intense X- and γ -beam sources
 - Positron source for future electron positron colliders
- Strong Crystalline Field
 - Ultra-compact detectors for the energy and the intensity frontiers
- Summary and Conclusions

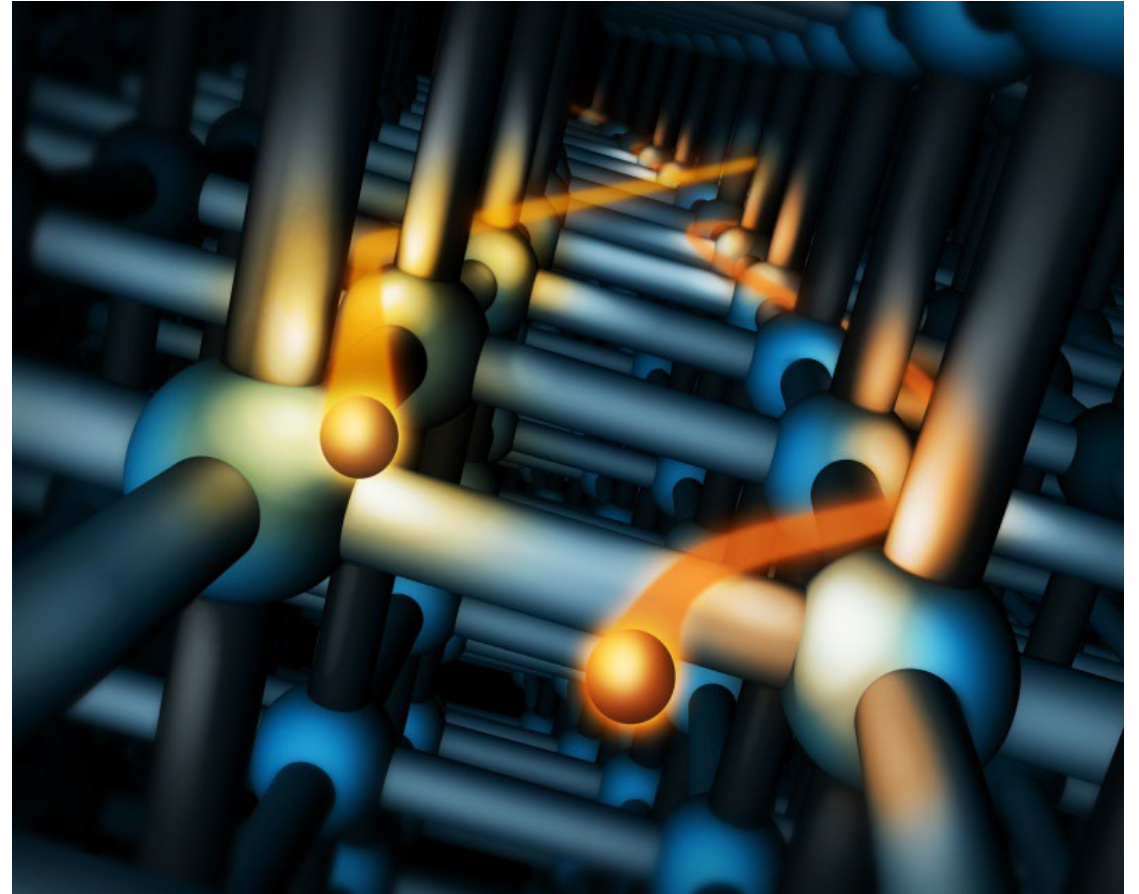


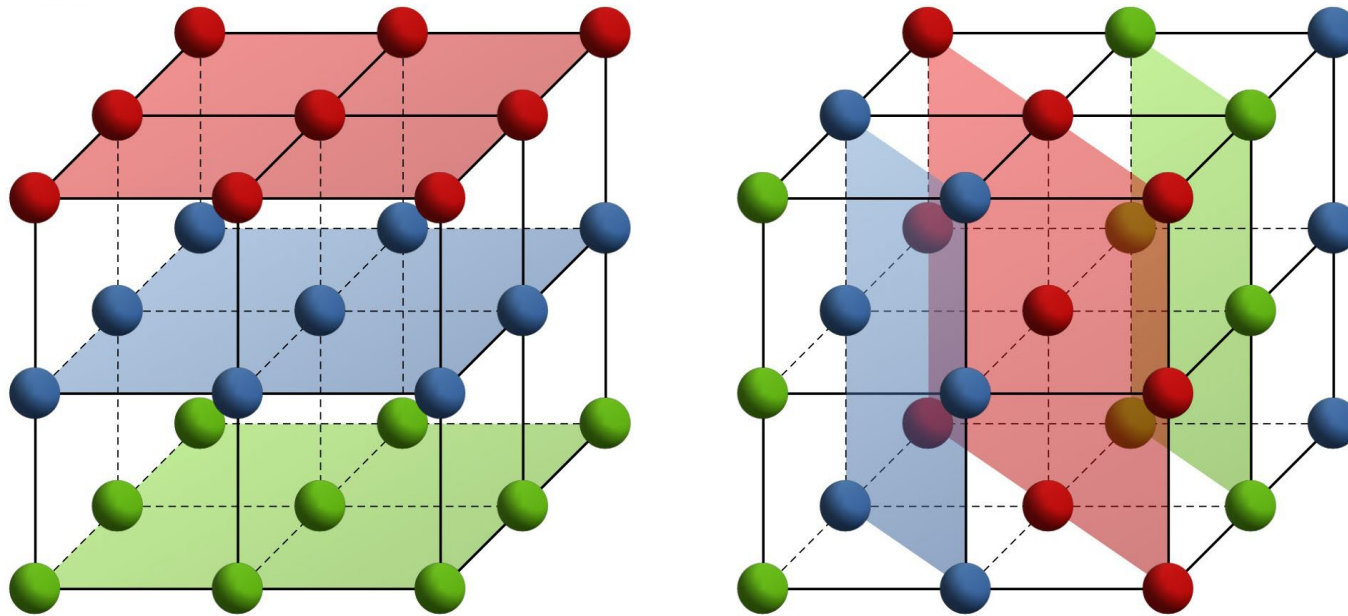
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INTRODUCTION

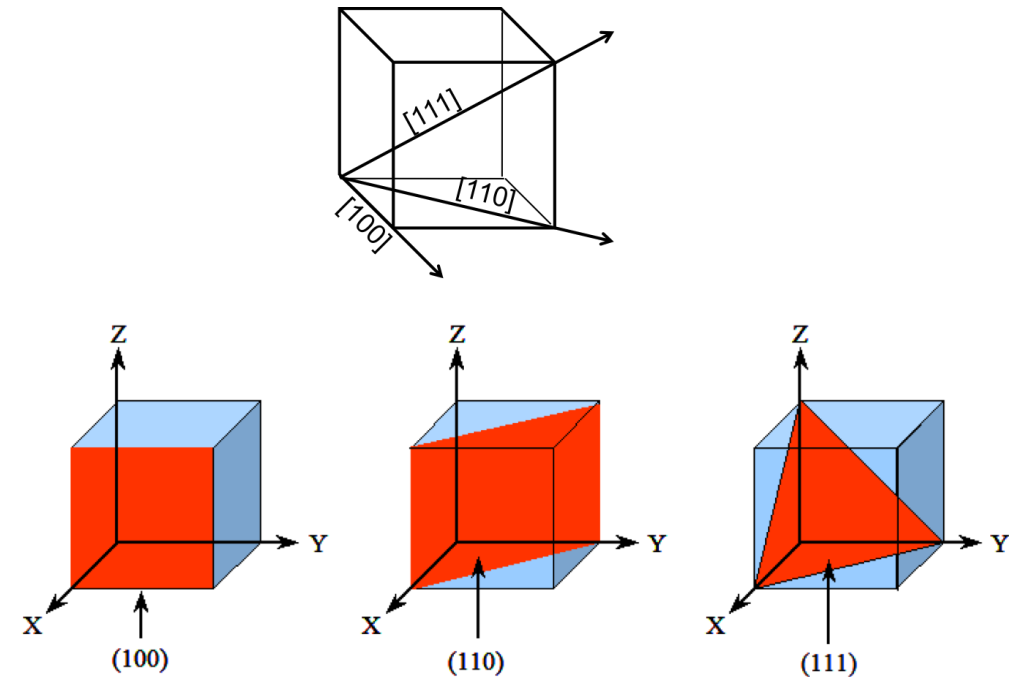
Coherent interactions of charged particle beams in oriented crystals

Crystalline solids

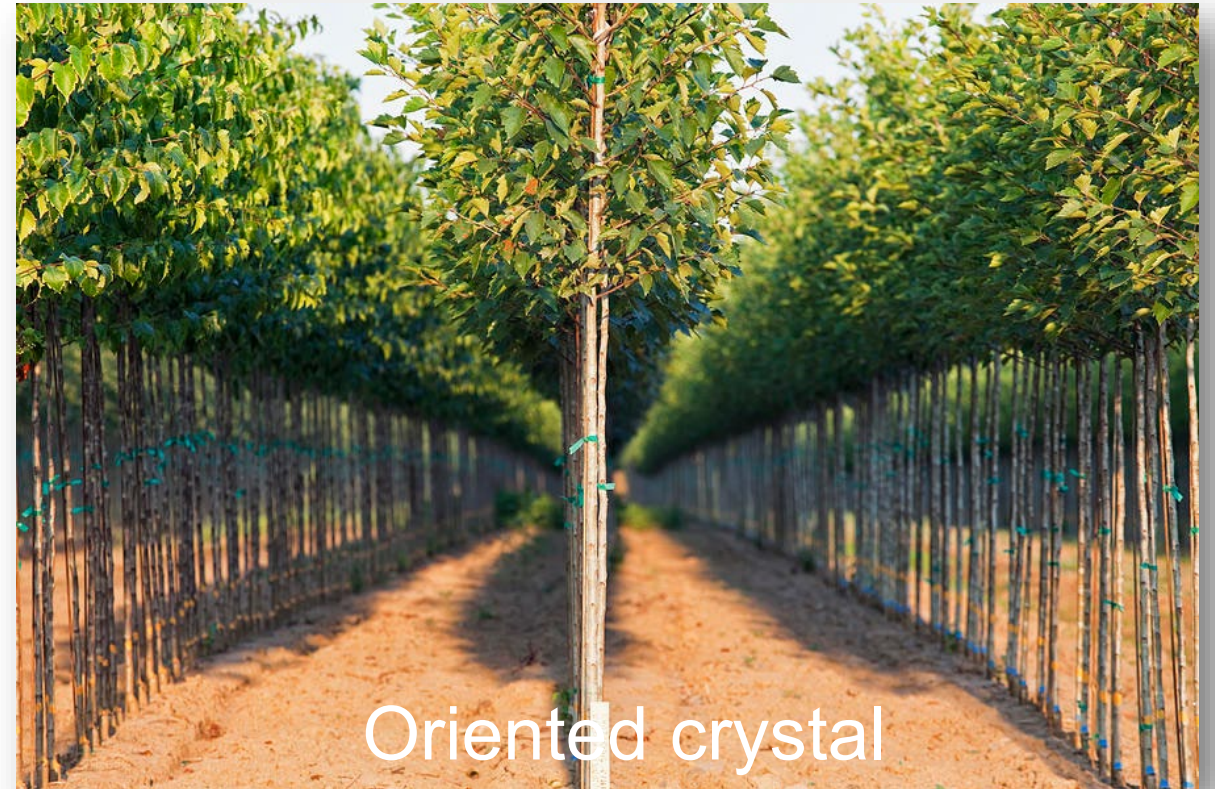
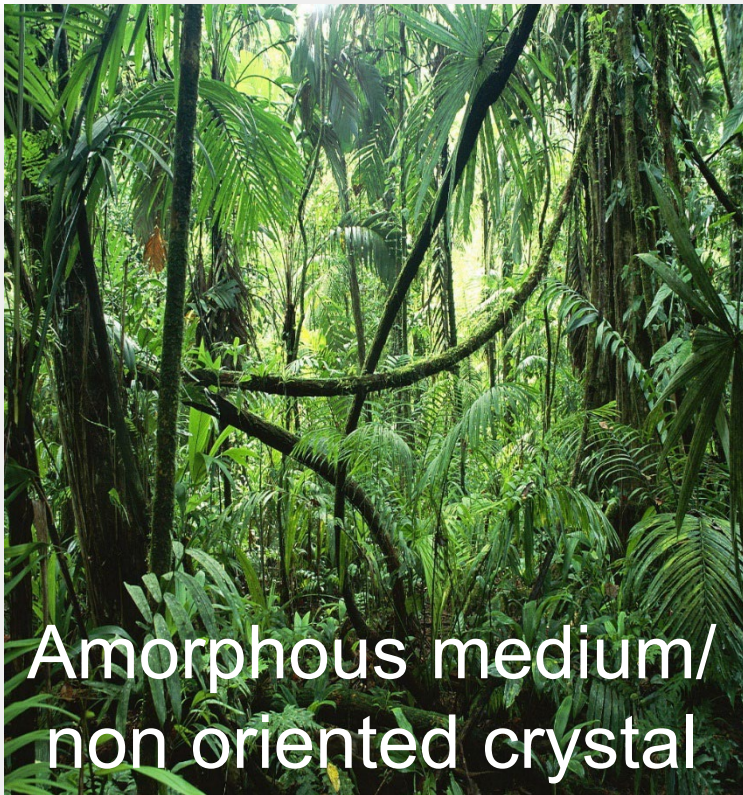
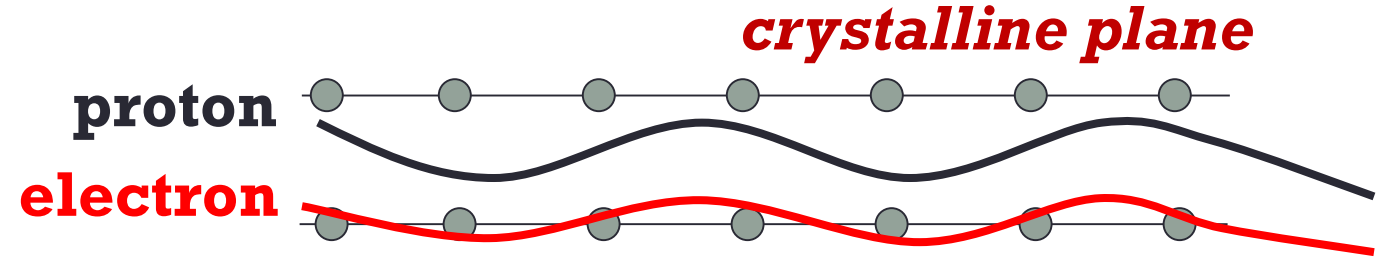
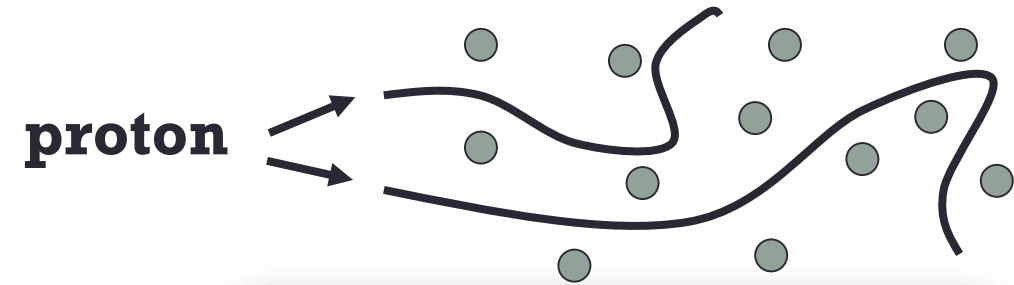
A crystal is a solid structure consisting of atoms, molecules or ions having a geometrically regular arrangement, which is repeated indefinitely in the three spatial dimensions, called the **crystal lattice**.



Simmetry: Axes and planes



Channeling



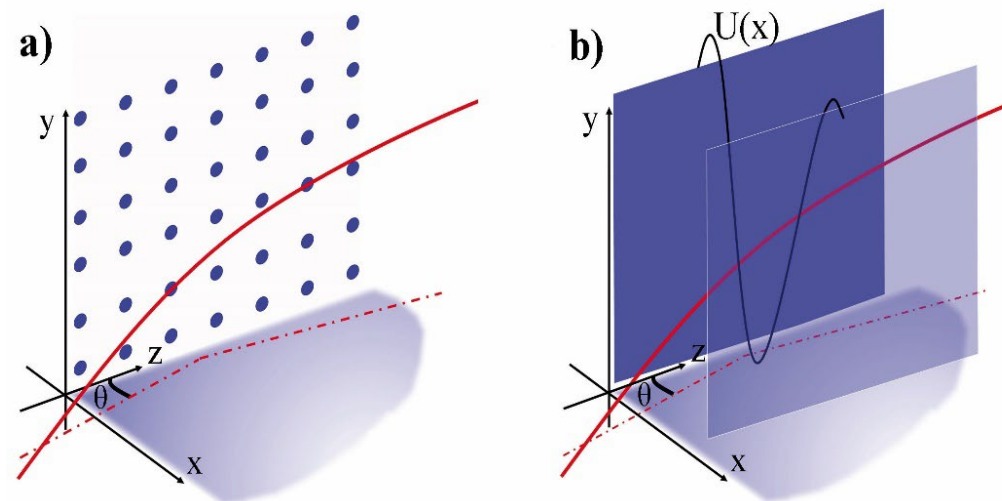
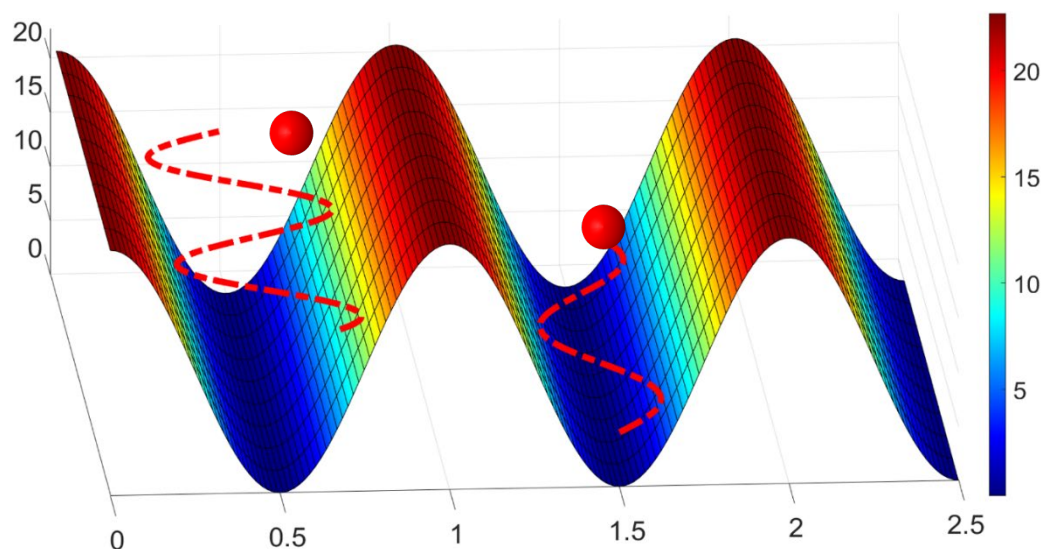
Planar Channeling and Continuous Average Potential

$$U_{pl}(x) = Nd_p \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} V(x, y, z) dy dz$$

where

$$V_{TF}(r) = \frac{Z_i Z e^2}{r} \Phi\left(\frac{r}{a_{TF}}\right)$$

is the particle-atom screened Coulomb potential



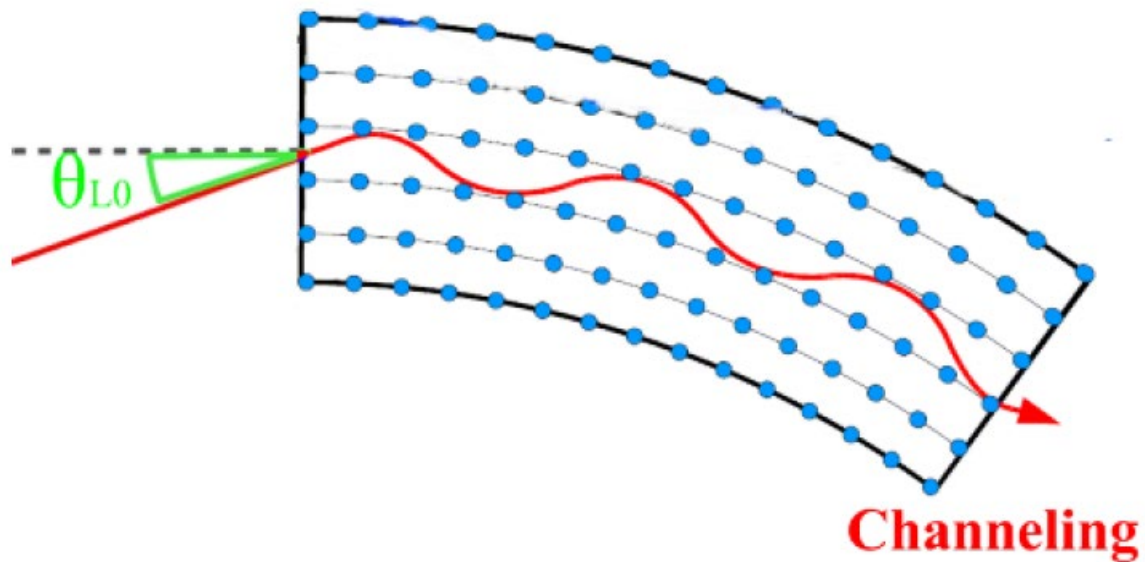
Critical angle for channeling:

$$\theta_c = \sqrt{\frac{2U_0}{pv}}$$

← max of $U(x)$
← momentum*velocity

**$U_0 = 22.7$ eV for Si (110)
 $\theta_c \approx 200$ μ rad at $E \sim 1$ GeV
 $\theta_c \approx 2$ μ rad at $E \sim 7$ TeV**

Channeling in a bent crystal



E. Tsyganov, 1976

Channeling of a charged particle beam in a bent crystal results in steering of its trajectory



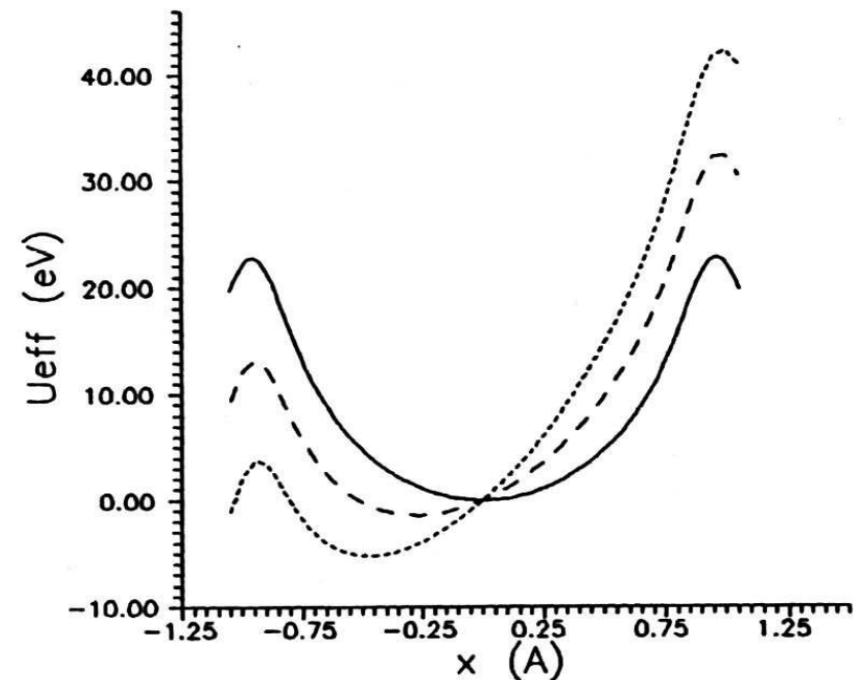
Bent crystals can be used in particle accelerators as elements for collimation or extraction

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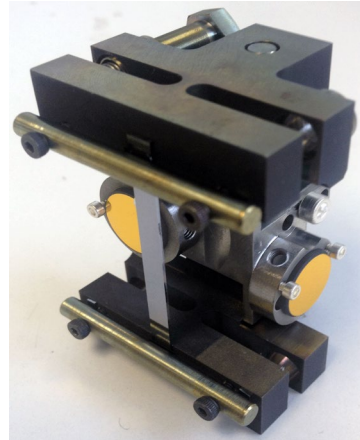
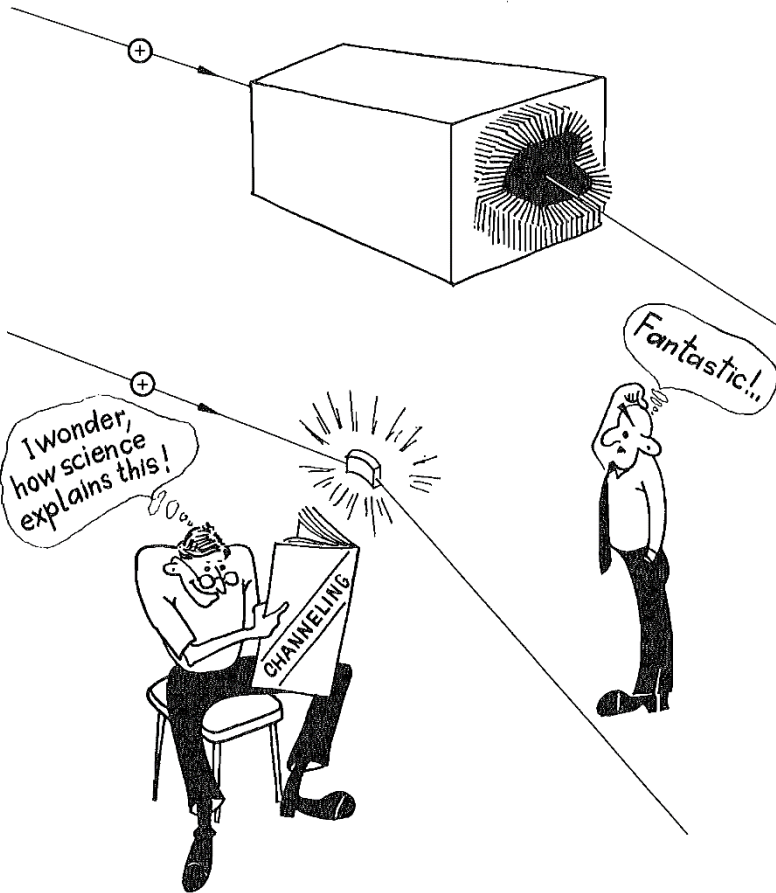
- Bending the crystal lattice planes is equivalent to adding a centrifugal force
 - Curvature radius R
- Particles can be trapped in channeling and bent!
- Like in a **magnetic** field



$$U_{eff}(x) = U(x) + \frac{pv}{R}x$$



Bent crystals to steer ultrarelativistic particle beams



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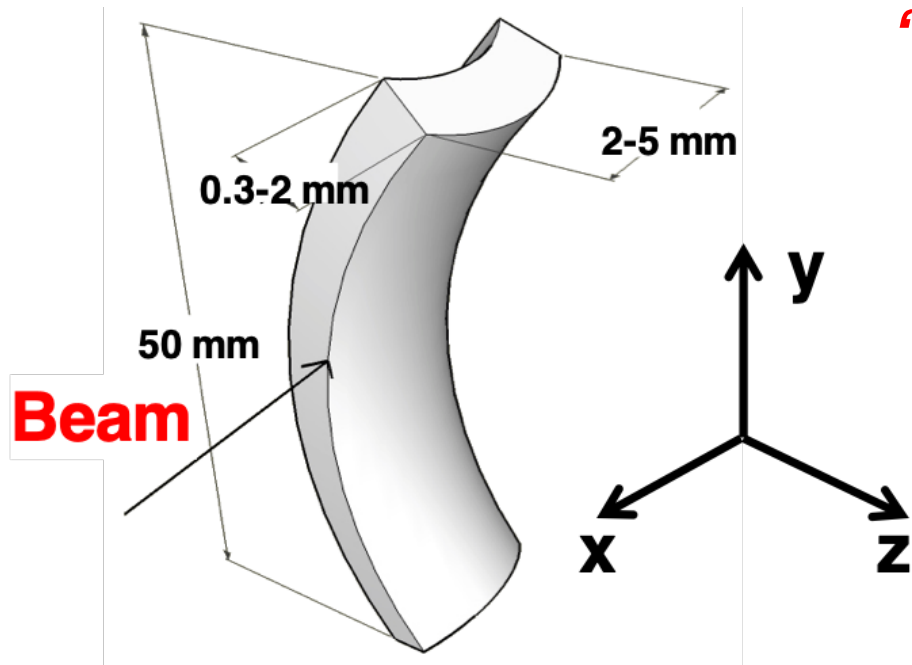
8.3 Tesla supermagnet – 15 m long

Bent Si crystal – 4 mm long

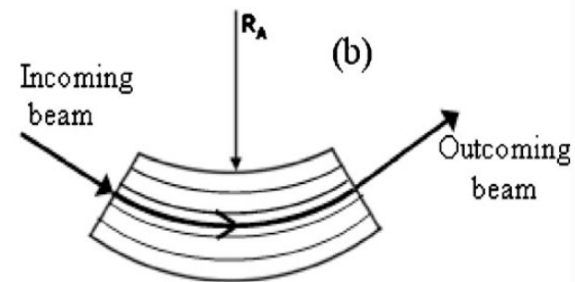
A 50 μrad at 6.5 TeV is equivalent to a 300 T dipole magnet bending!!!

Elective applications in crystal assisted beam collimation and extraction

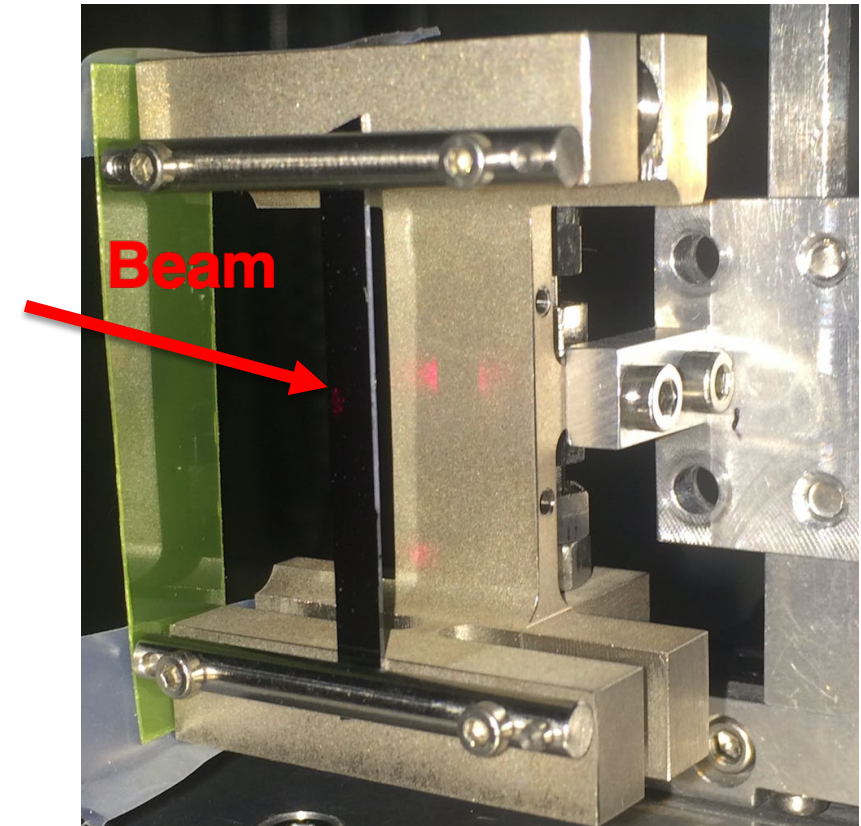
A bent crystal



“strip-like” crystal



Also

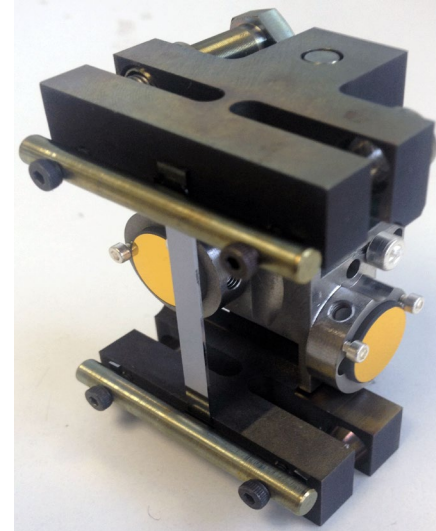
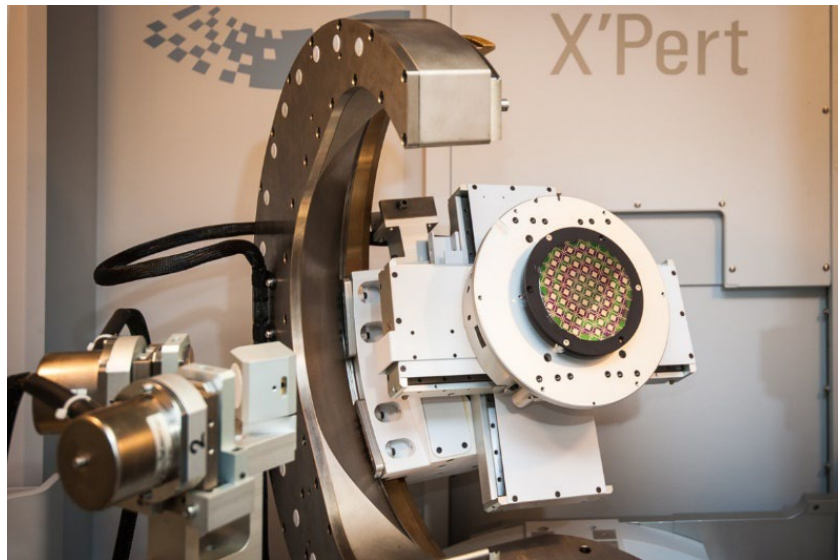


- Primary curvature imparted by a mechanical (Ti or Al) holder
- Secondary curvature (**anti-clastic** reaction) useful for beam steering

Bent Crystal Manufacturing and Characterization @Ferrara lab

Silicon or germanium bent crystals made by revisiting micro and nanoelectronics techniques.

- Photolithographic techniques
- Anisotropic chemical attacks
- Mechanical processes (owner)



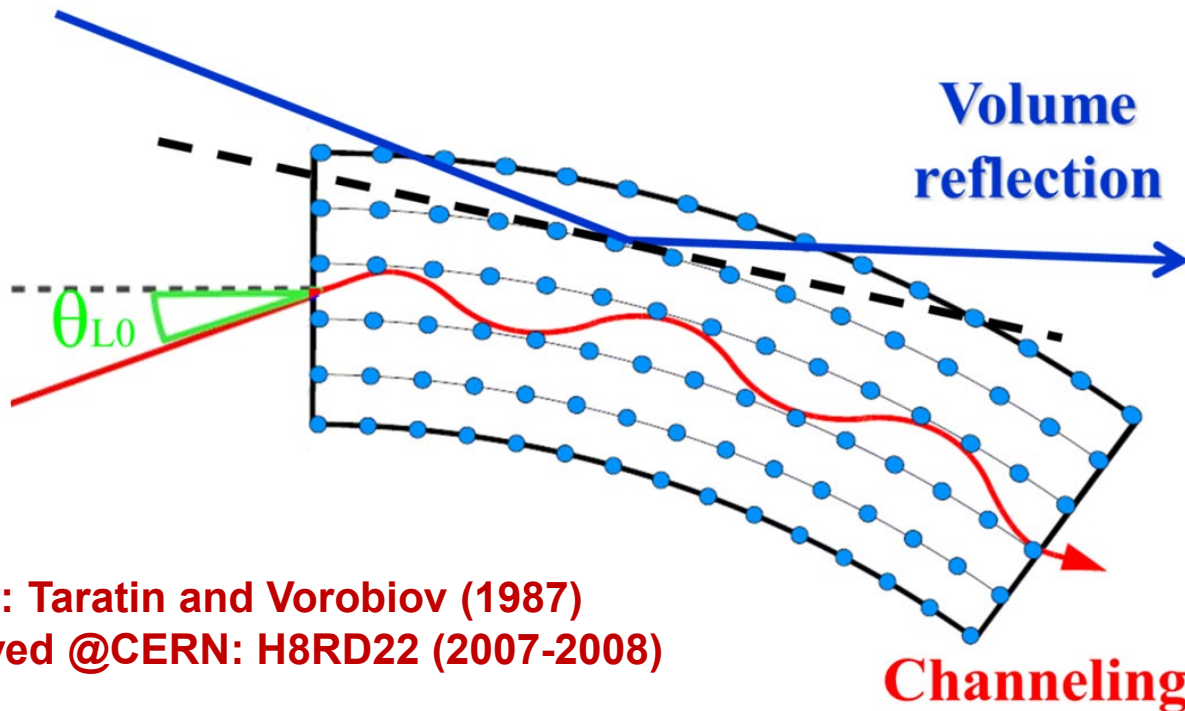
Optical Interferometry: profile analysis of the physical surface of the sample with vertical precision ~ 1 nm



X-ray Diffraction: direct observation of the crystal planes by means of a high resolution diffractometer

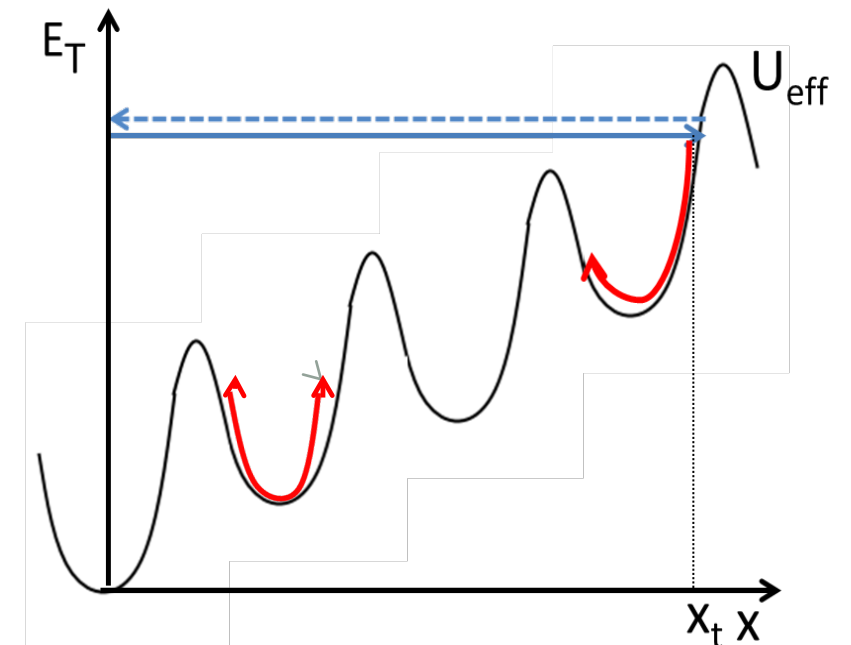
Volume Reflection in a bent crystal

- If crystal is bent, over-barrier particles can be deflected in a direction opposite to crystal bending;
- Angular acceptance equal to the crystal bending angle;
- Deflection angle of the order of the critical angle.



Theory: Taratin and Vorobiov (1987)
Observed @CERN: H8RD22 (2007-2008)

$$U_{eff}(x) = U(x) + \frac{pv}{R}x$$





Coherent interactions in a bent crystal

H8RD22 collaboration

W. Scandale et al, PRL 98, 154801 (2007)

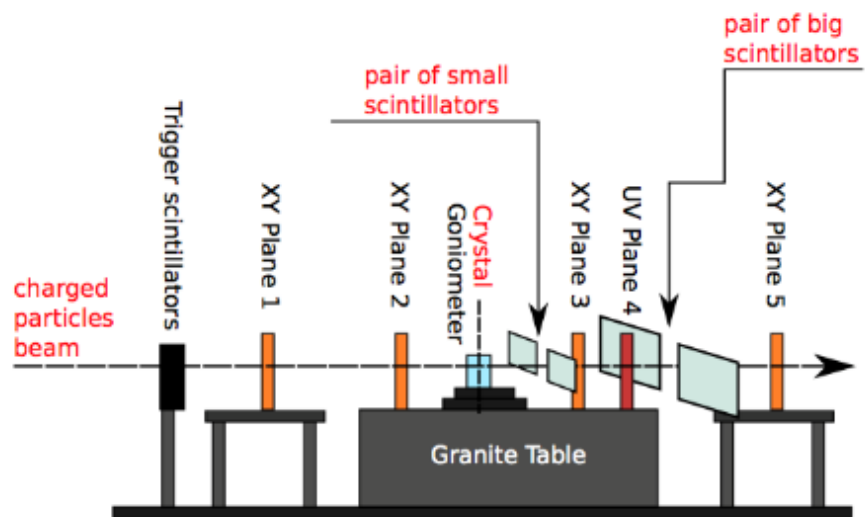
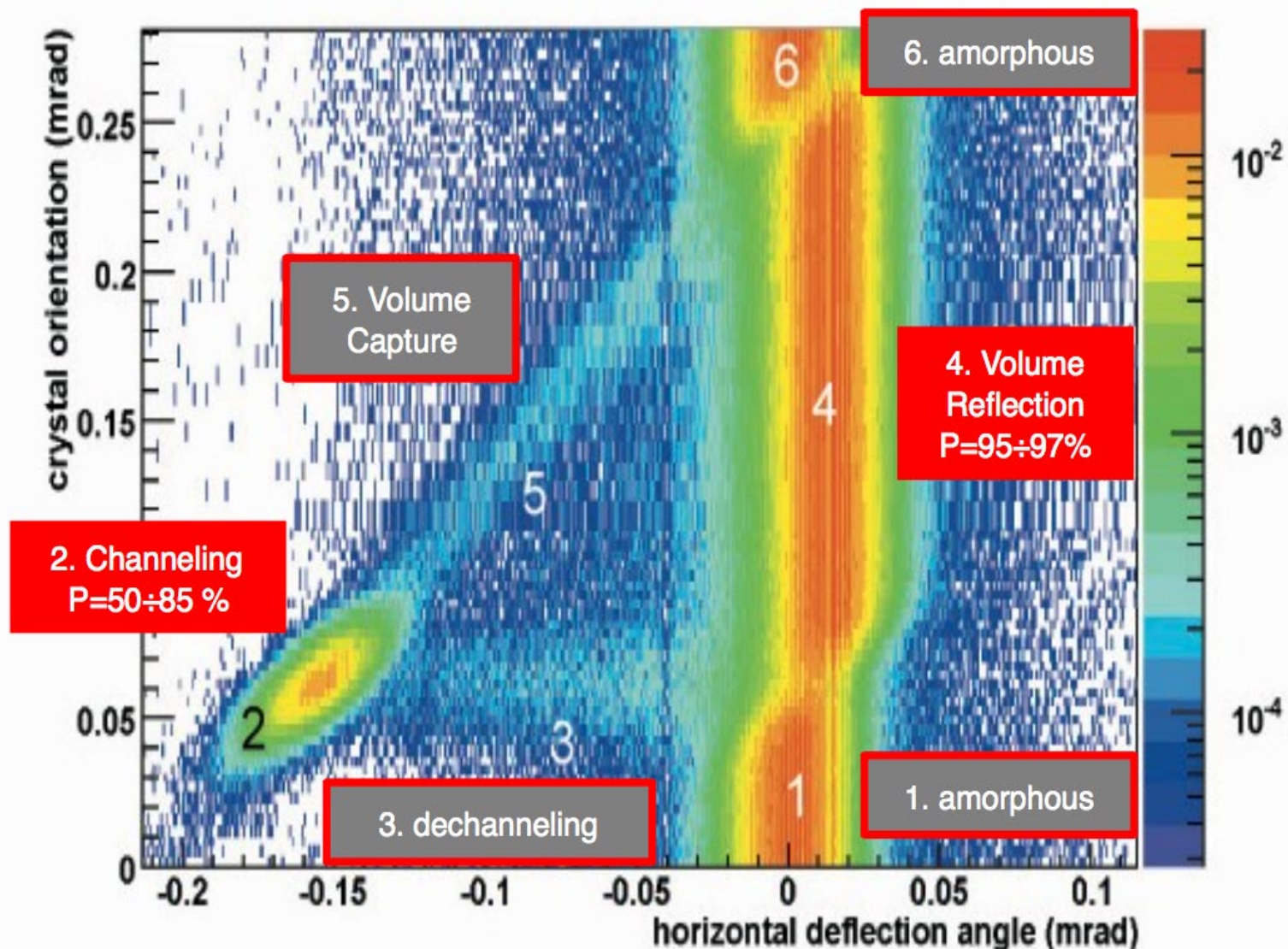


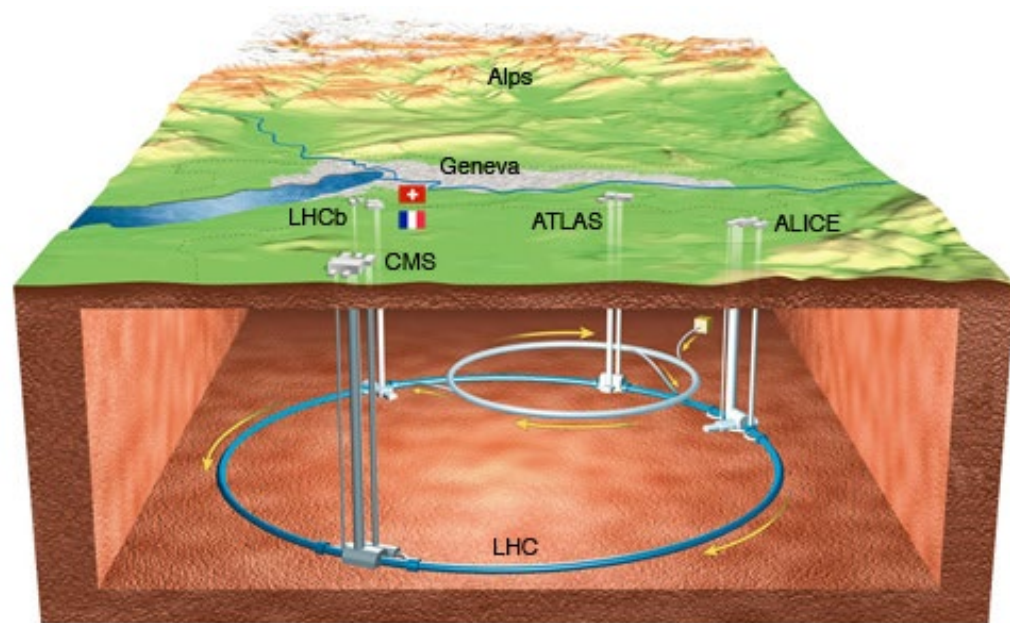
FIG. 1: Experimental layout in the H8 beam line.

- **400 GeV** protons at North Area H8
- **Low** divergence beam (\sim critical angle)
- Good goniometer
- **High quality crystals**

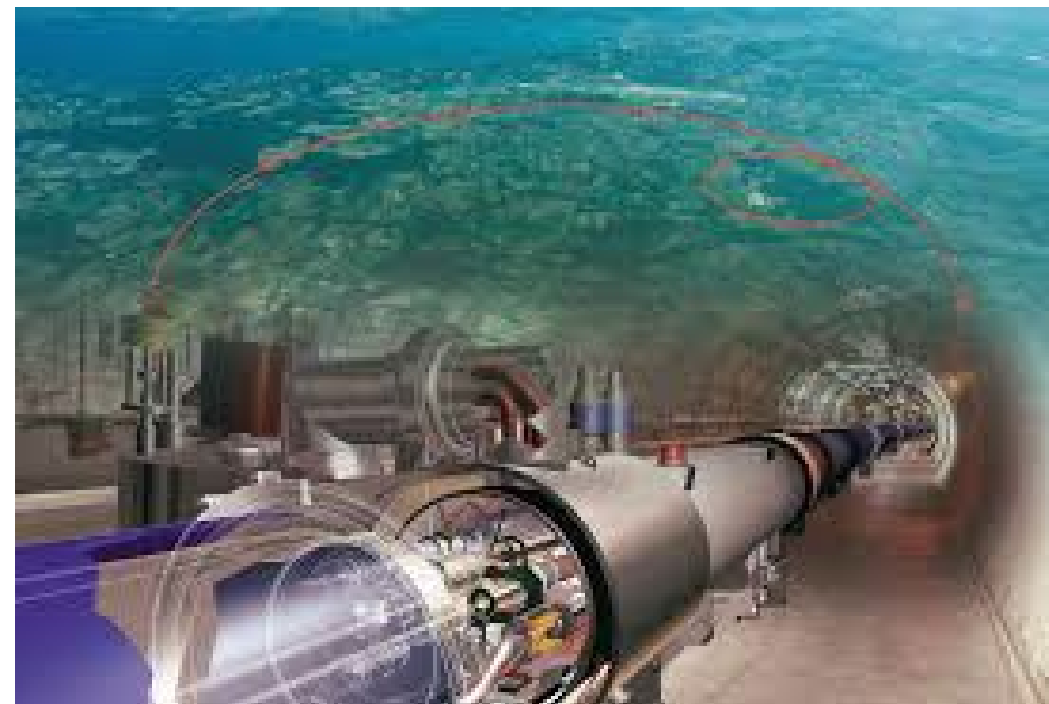




Bent crystals to steer the LHC multi-TeV hadron beam

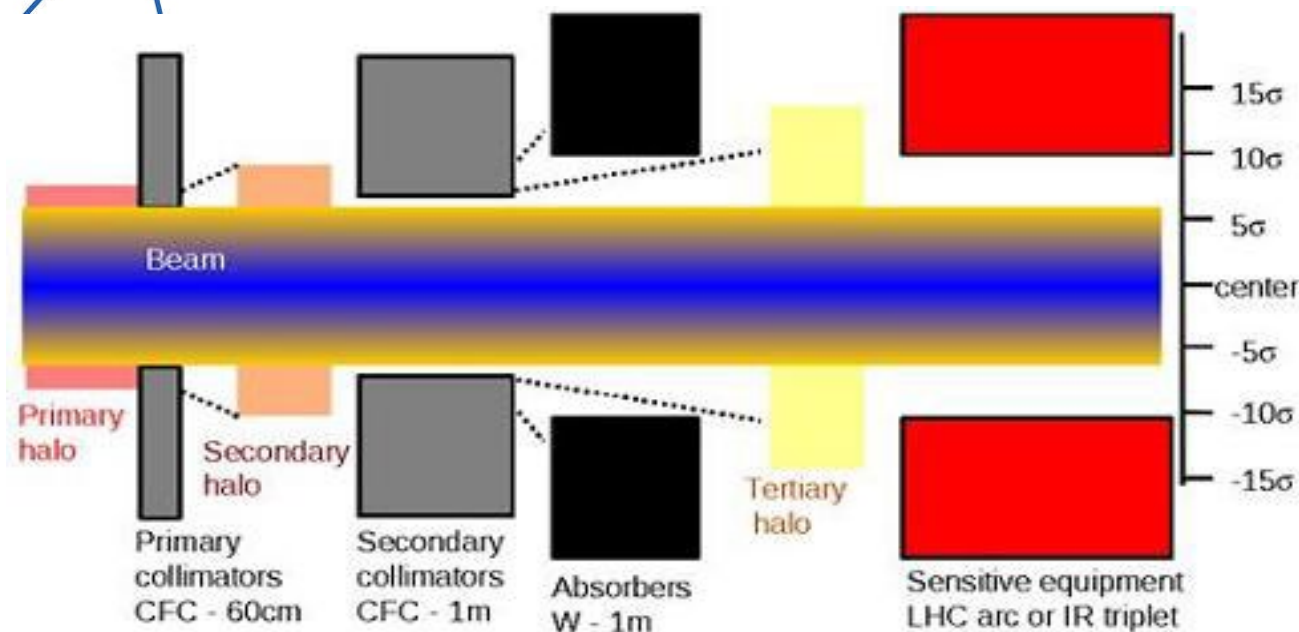


The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) is the world's largest and highest-energy particle collider and the largest machine in the world. It lies in a tunnel 27 kilometres in circumference and as deep as 175 metres beneath the France–Switzerland border near Geneva. It reached 6.8 TeV per beam in 2022 (13.6 TeV total collision energy, the present world record).

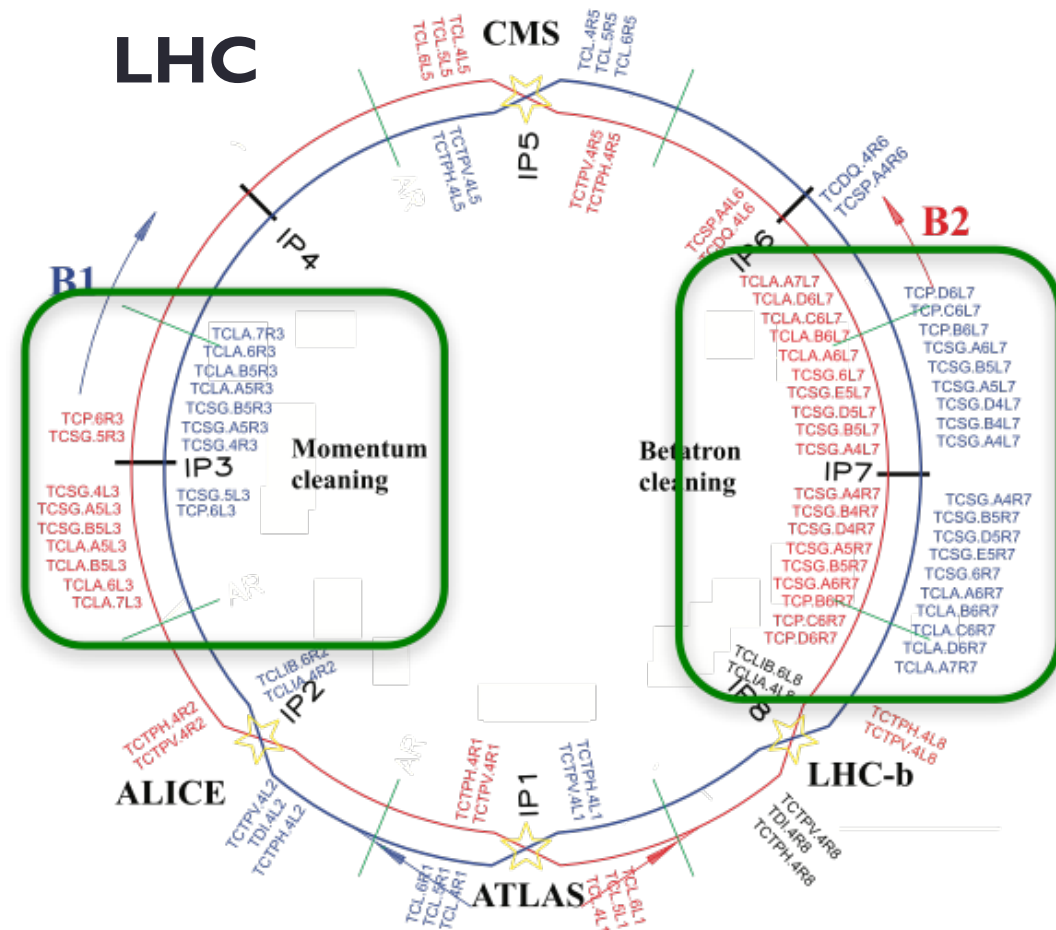




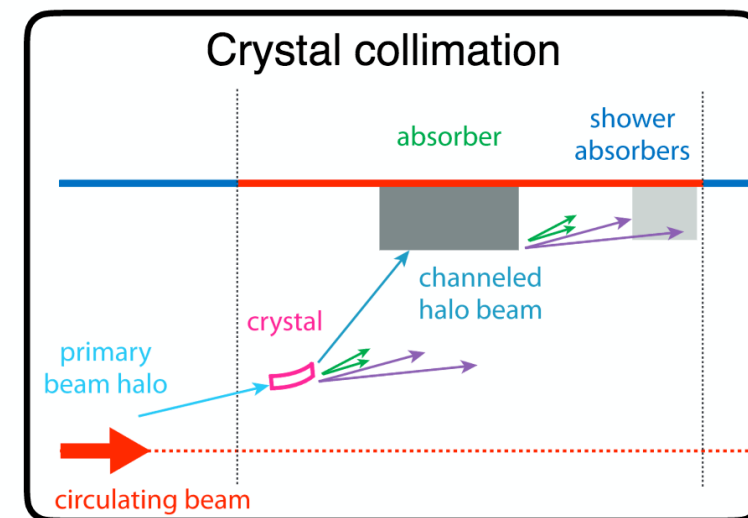
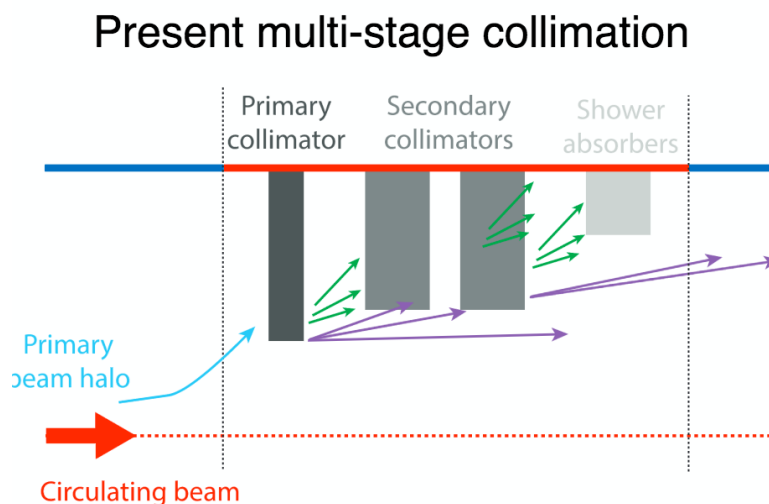
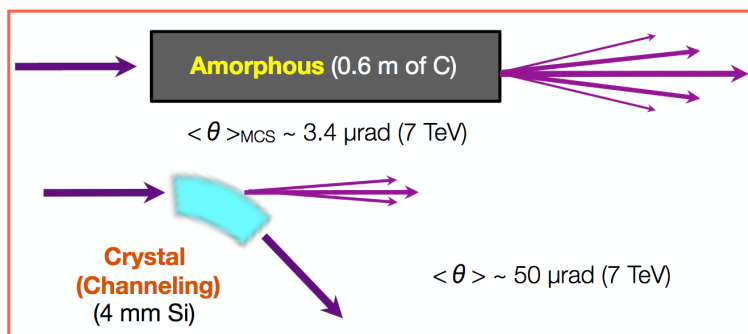
Standard LHC collimation scheme



- The **collimation system** protects magnets and experiments by removing the **beam halo** particles
- Big chunks of material very close to the circulating beam: **electromagnetic impedance**
- **Limitation to increase currents (High Luminosity - LHC, especially for lead ion)**



Crystal collimation at LHC



Losses on a single absorber, reduction of machine impedance, higher currents

A possible scheme for upgraded collimation at HL-LHC

- Reduction of losses in **cold** regions (i.e. protect magnets from **quenching**)
- Present **collimation system already at its limit for ions:**

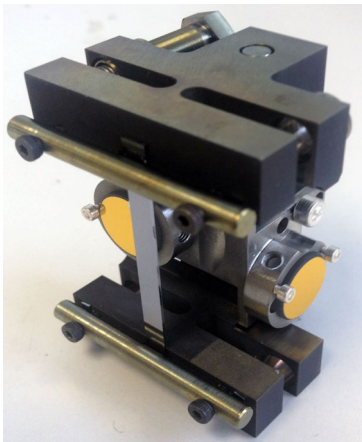
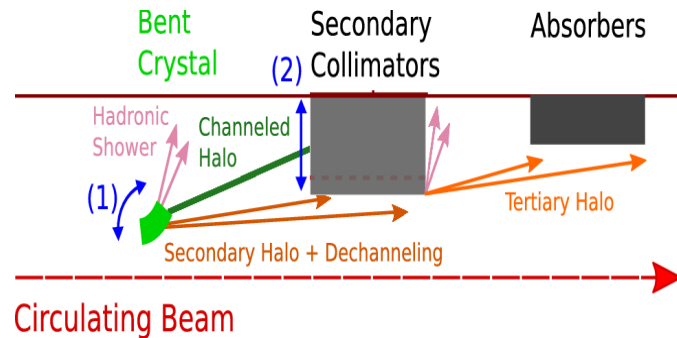
fragmentation of heavy-ion beams in secondary particles of small divergence and Z/A slightly different from the primary beam -> difficult to intercept by the collimation system and can produce significant heat-load in the superconducting magnets.

Since **2009**, ten years of experimental investigation carried on by **UA9 collaboration @SPS & @LHC** together with the **LHC Collimation group**.

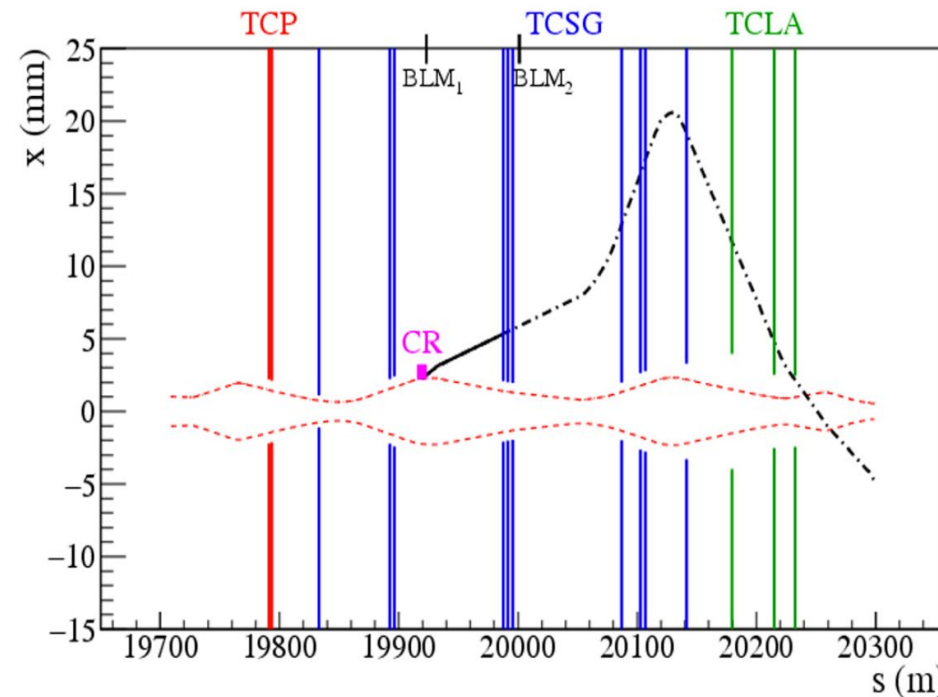
Crystal channeling with 6.5 TeV protons @LHC

First successful test with **6.5 TeV protons** in Nov 2015!

W. Scandale et al., Phys.Lett. B758 (2016) 129-133



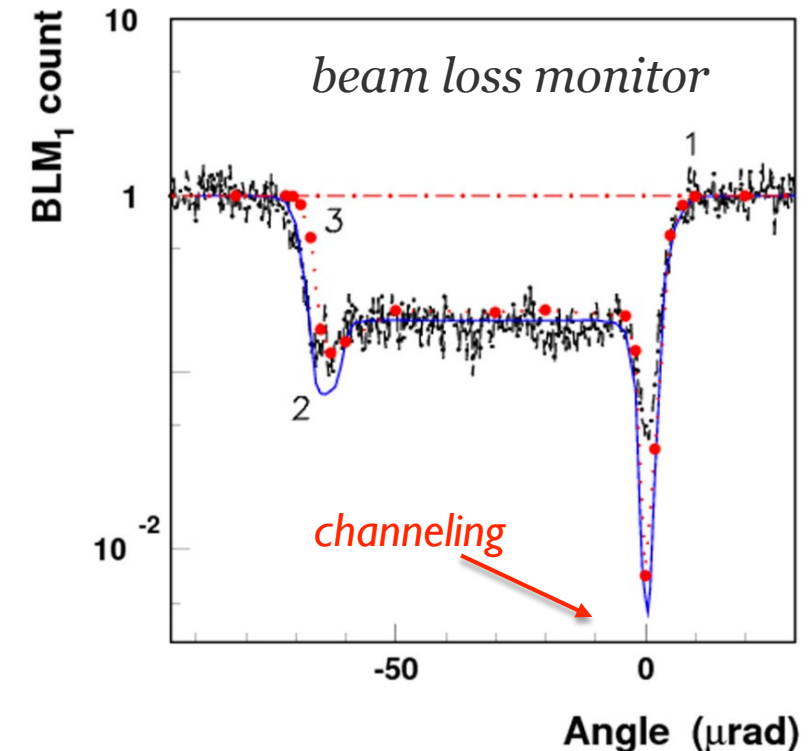
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Beam trajectory in LHC
~50 μ rad deflection

<https://cds.cern.ch/journal/CERNBulletin/2015/49/News%20Articles/2105080?ln=en>
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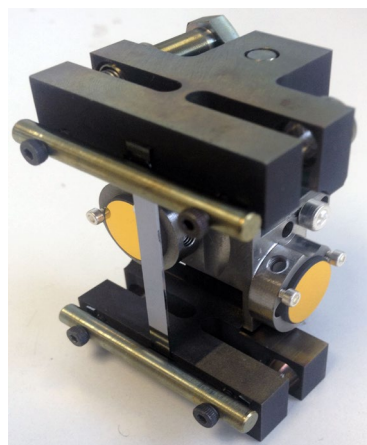
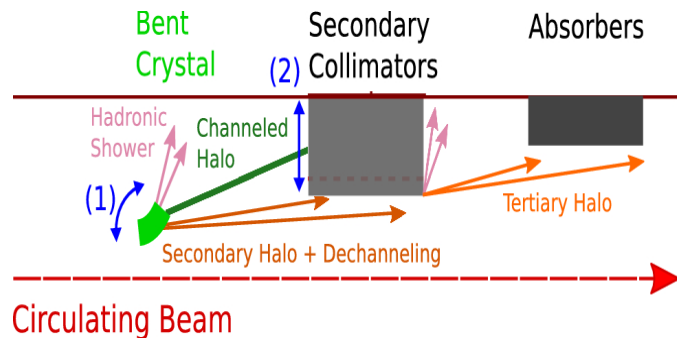
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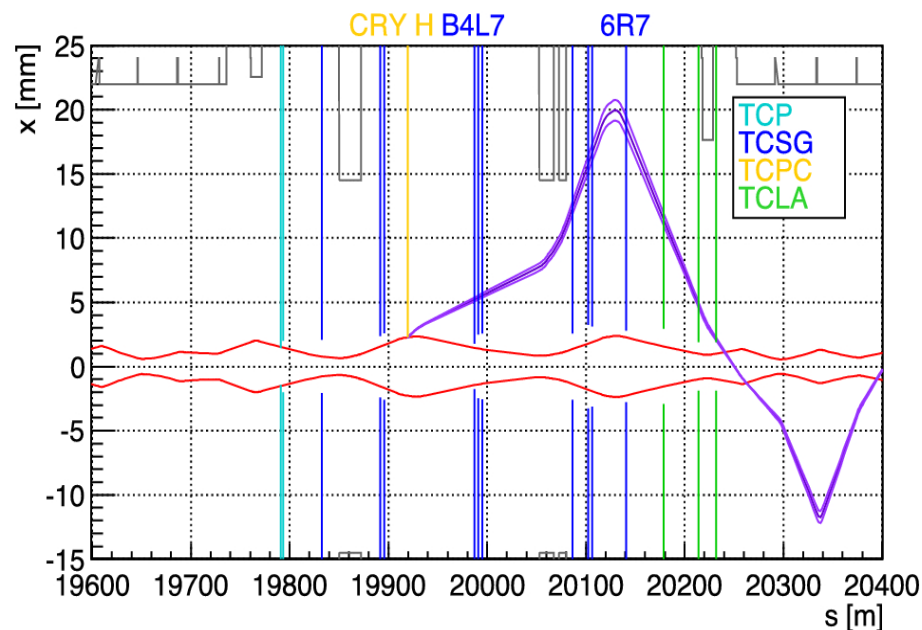
Piezo-goniometer (CERN/EN-STI)
Strip Si crystal (INFN)

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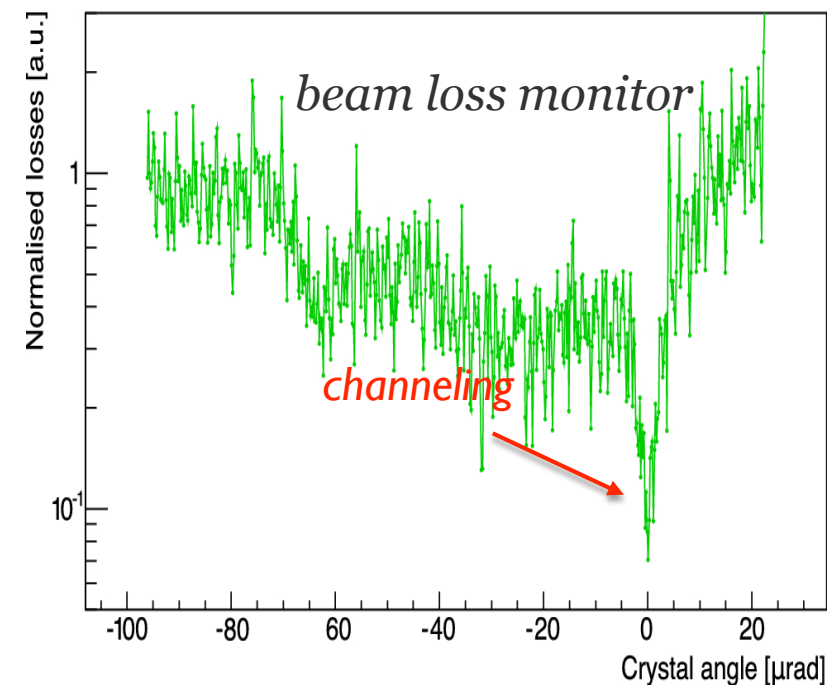


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Good perspectives for HI-LUMI ion beam collimation!

S. Redaelli et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 81, 142 (2021)



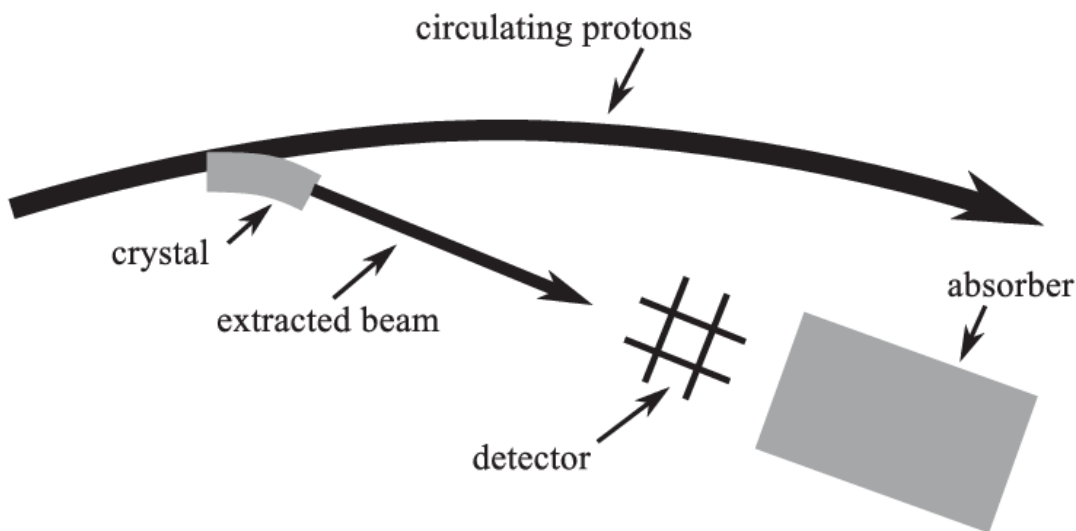
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Extraction of the multi-TeV LHC beam for fixed target experiments

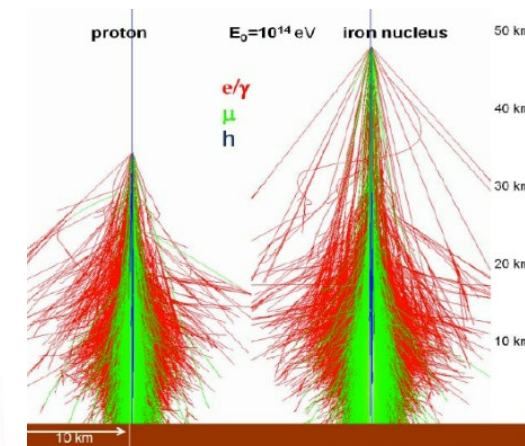
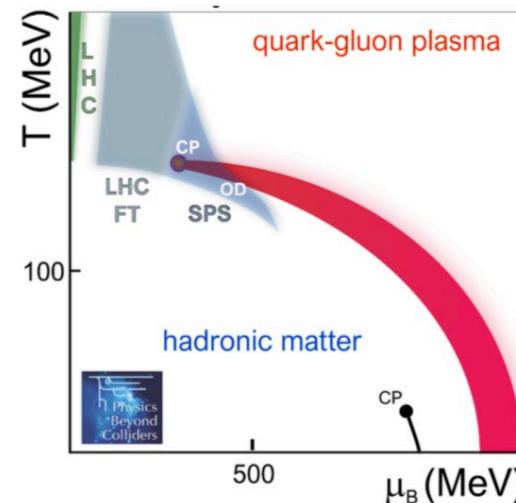
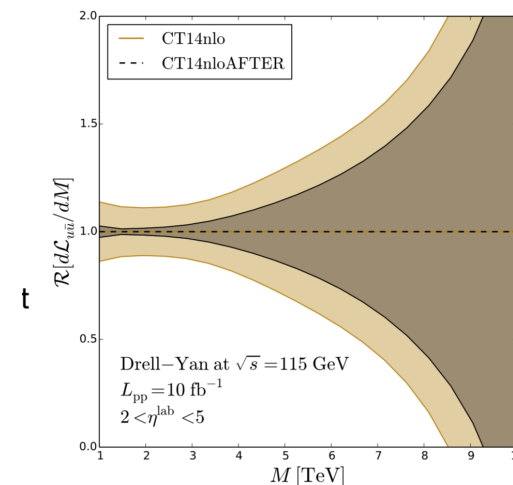
Motivation: to address open questions in the domain of proton and neutron spins, Quark Gluon Plasma and what is the nature of cosmic rays?

.. at the highest energy ever reached in the fixed-target experiments!



The challenge: from collimation to extraction...

R&D co-financed by the ERC CoG CRYSBREAM (PI G. Cavoto – Roma)



C. Hadjidakis, et al, A Fixed-Target Programme at the LHC: Physics Case and Projected

Performances for Heavy-Ion, Hadron, Spin and Astroparticle Studies - <https://arxiv.org/abs/1807.00603>

An upgraded **internal gas target** is another competitive solution to for fixed target physics (already operational in LHC-b, **SMOG**)

Future developments for crystals (from the Physics Beyond Colliders WGs)

Search of Magnetic and Electric Dipole Moments in short living particles

- Fundamental particles have non-zero magnetic dipole moments (MDM), e.g. the electron

$$\mu_e = -g_S \mu_B \frac{S}{\hbar}$$

- While composite particles, such as hadrons, have MDM stemming from their constituents, e.g.

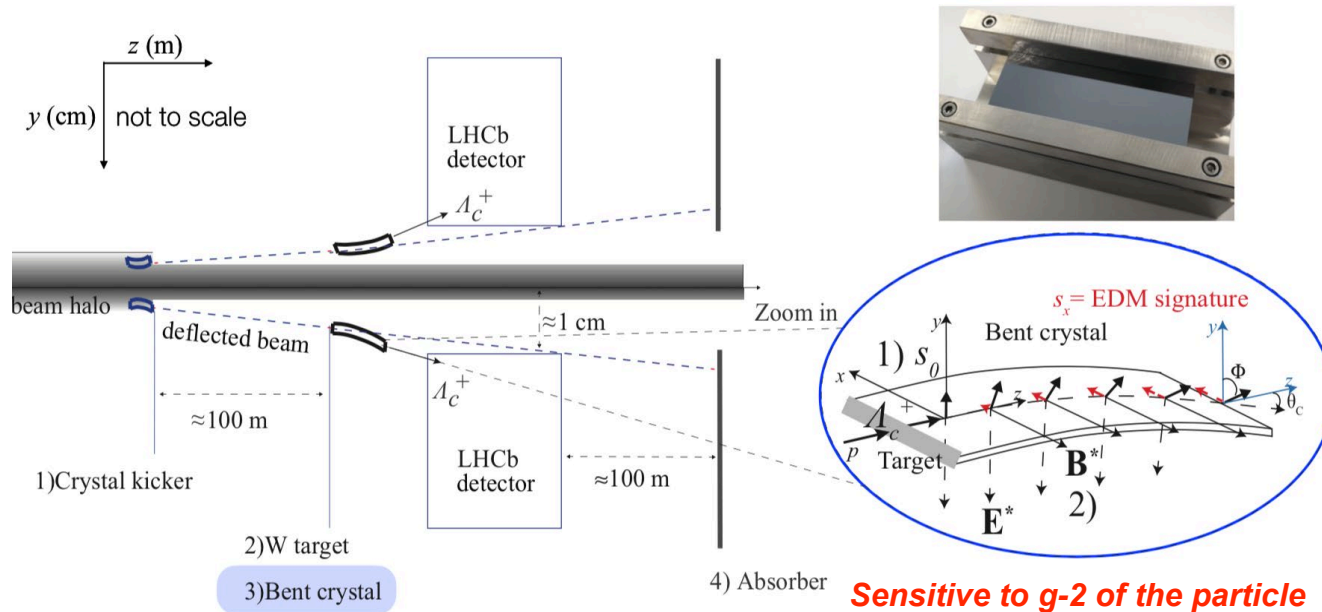
proton	2.793	in units of $\mu_N = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_p}$
neutron	-1.913	

- No experimental evidence of electric dipole moment (EDM) of any fundamental particles**
- Limited experimental data for **MDM/EDM** of unstable particles, such as τ , Λ_c^+
- Permanent EDM \rightarrow P, T and CP violation (assuming CPT);
- Standard Model CP violation \rightarrow very tiny EDM (e.g. for quarks $< 10^{-31}$ e cm)
- Observation of EDM in fundamental particles is a direct evidence of physics Beyond Standard Model!**

Measuring baryons MDM & EDM @LHC

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(see SPSC-EOI-012 and Eur. Phys. J. C (2017) 77:181)

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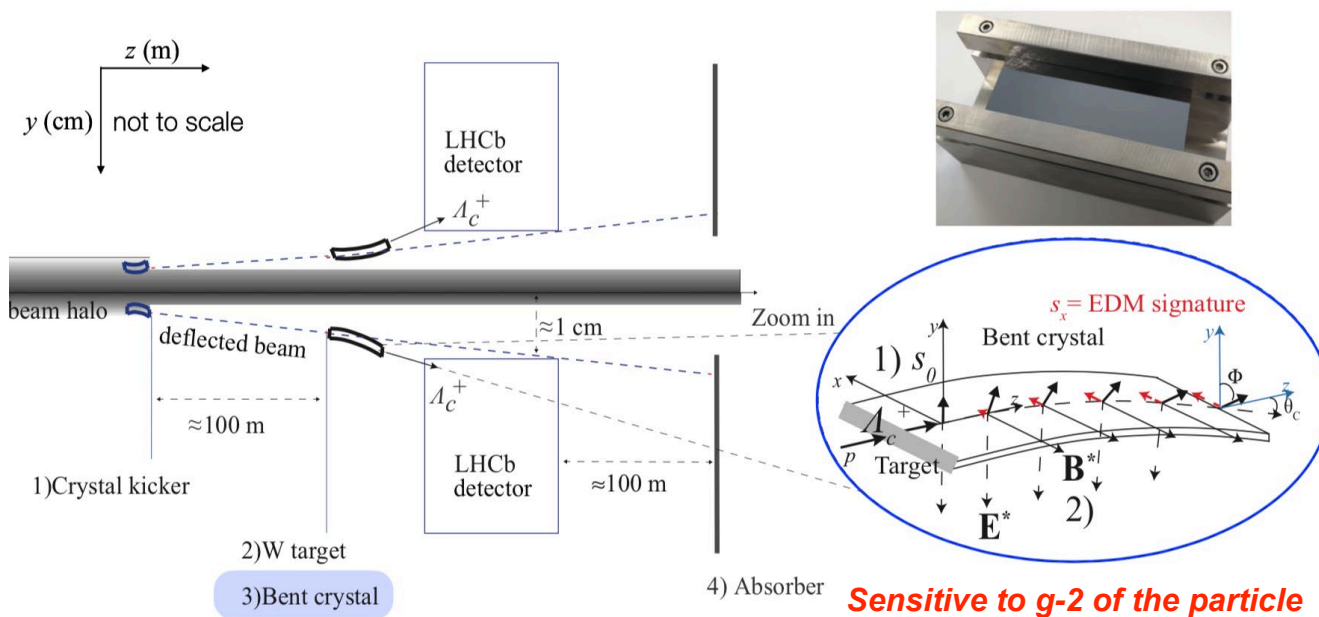
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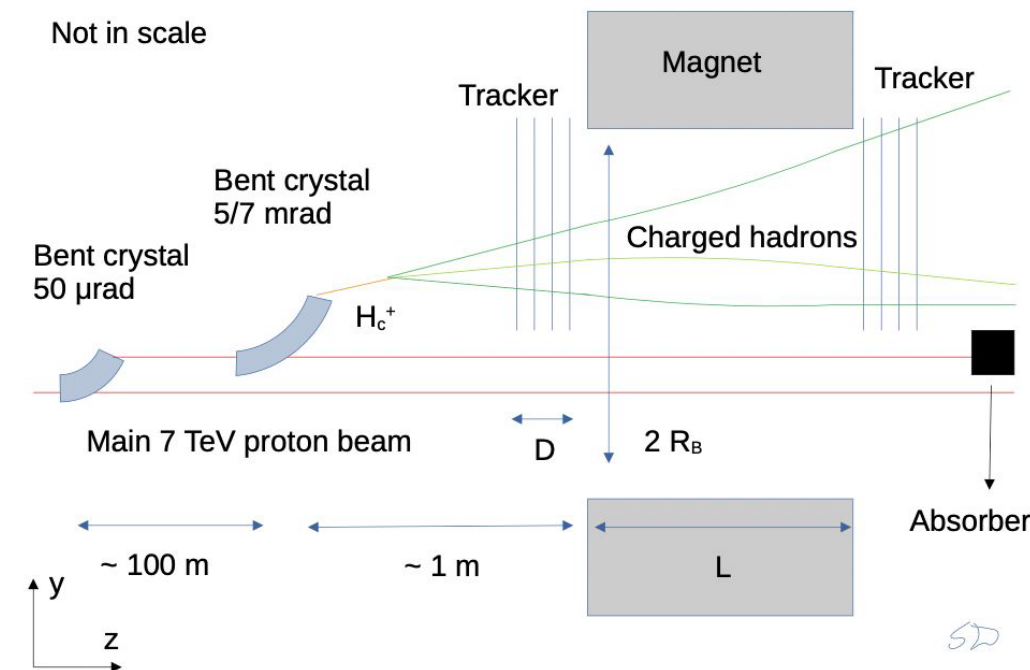
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New experiment @IR3

Before a possible test @LHCb detector, a proof-of-principle demonstration in a different LHC point is required @Interaction Region 3 in LHC (IR3).

Not in scale



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Studies extended also to tau-lepton!



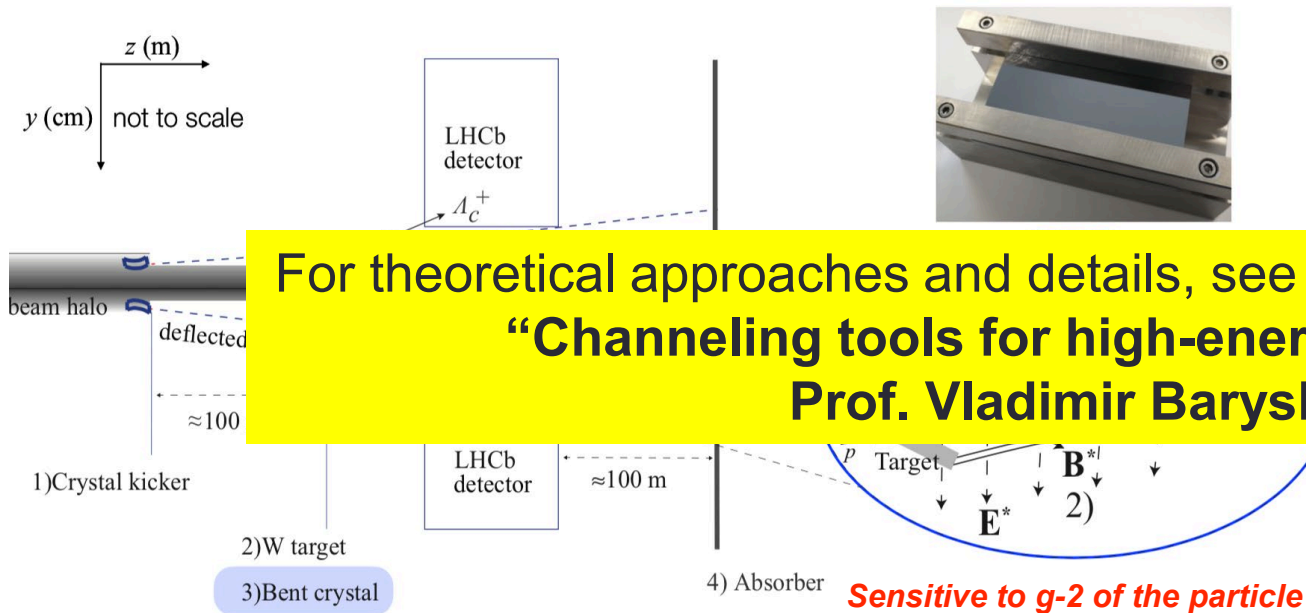
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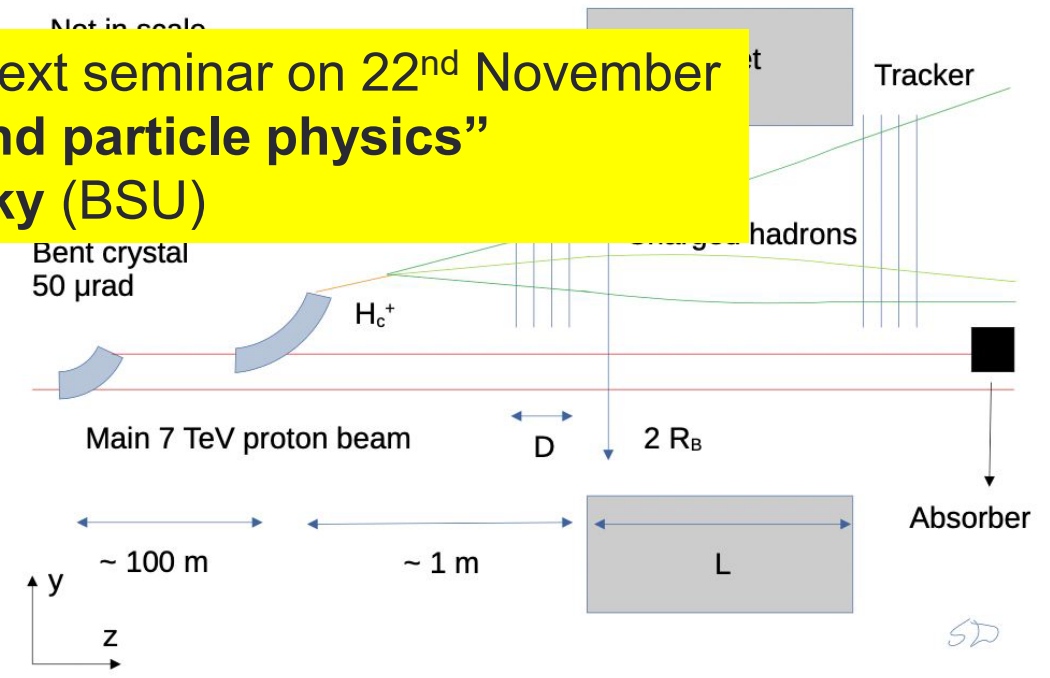
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For theoretical approaches and details, see the next seminar on 22nd November “Channeling tools for high-energy and particle physics” Prof. Vladimir Baryshevsky (BSU)

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N.Neri, https://indico.cern.ch/event/755856/contributions/3260539/attachments/1779601/2895655/Neri_PBCJan19.pdf

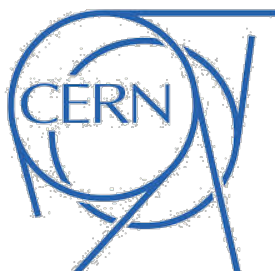
Experiments in a wide range of energies



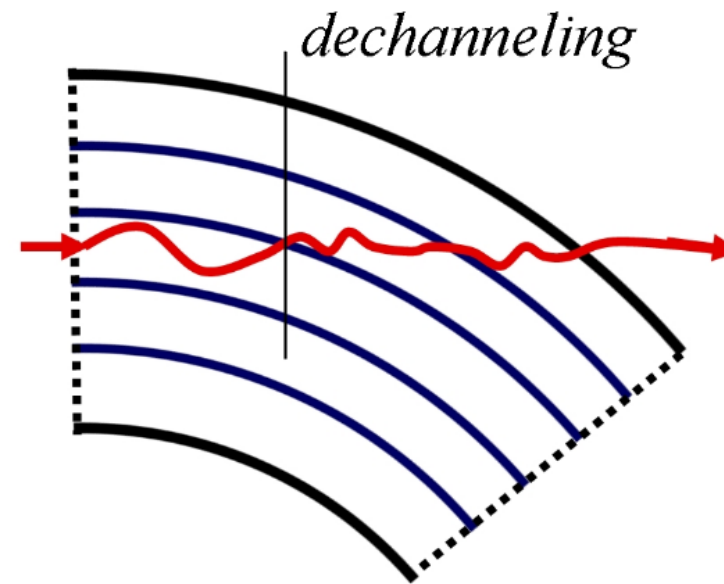
sub-GeV
10-15 μm thick crystals



3-20 GeV
60 μm thick crystal



100 GeV - 1 TeV
 $\sim\text{mm}$ thick crystals



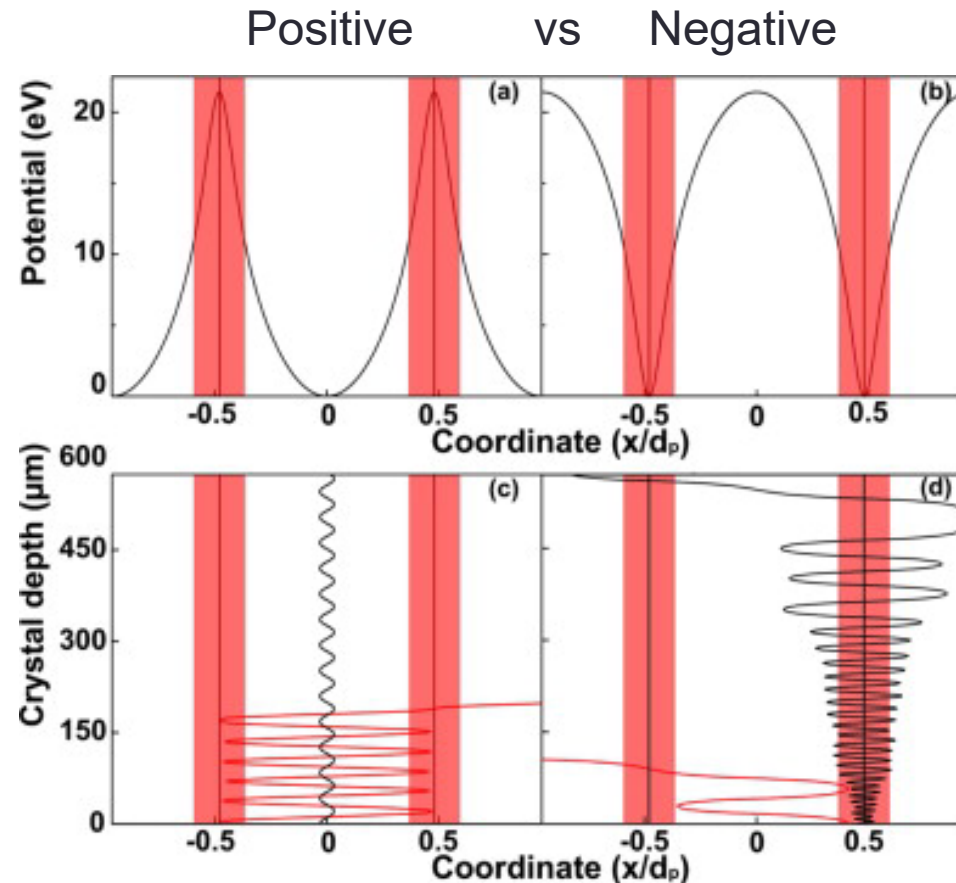
Dechanneling length increase with particle energy



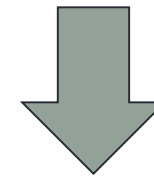
Crystal thickness should be optimized for different E

Crystal R&D and experimental tests co-financed in the last 10 years by the INFN CSN5

Dechanneling: positive vs. negative



Channeled negative particles are dechanneled faster than positive ones due to higher probability to suffer nuclear incoherent scattering



Ultra thin bent crystals are required for efficient deflection of electrons

Steering of sub-GeV and GeV electron trajectories through channeling in bent crystals was not possible before due to the lack of thin-enough bent crystals -> extraction from accelerators

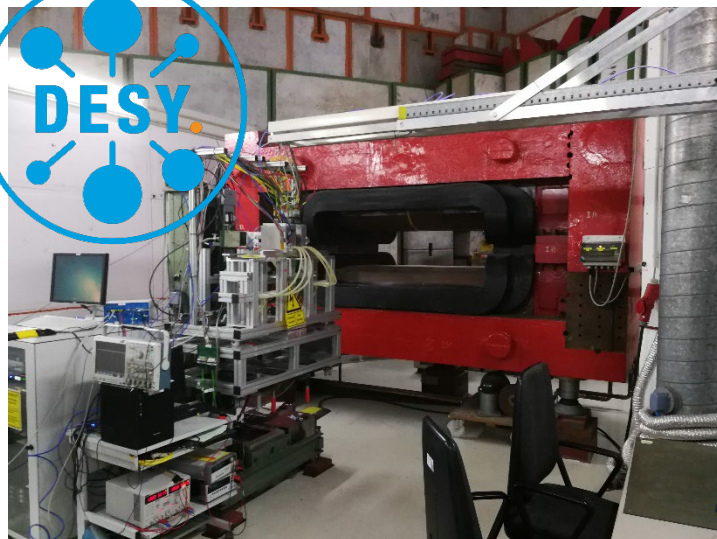
Test facilities



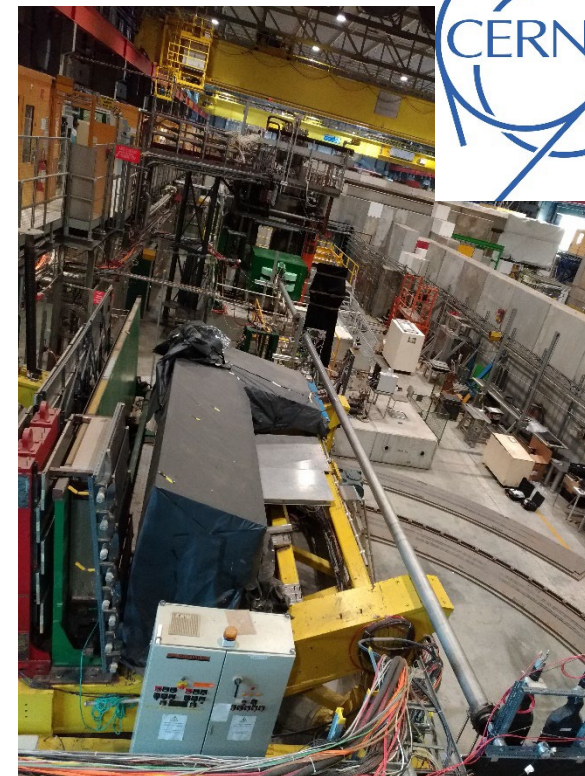
e^- @ multi-GeV
SLAC (Stanford, USA)



e^- @ subGeV
MAMI (Mainz, Germany)



e^\pm @ 6 GeV
DESY (Hamburg, Germany)



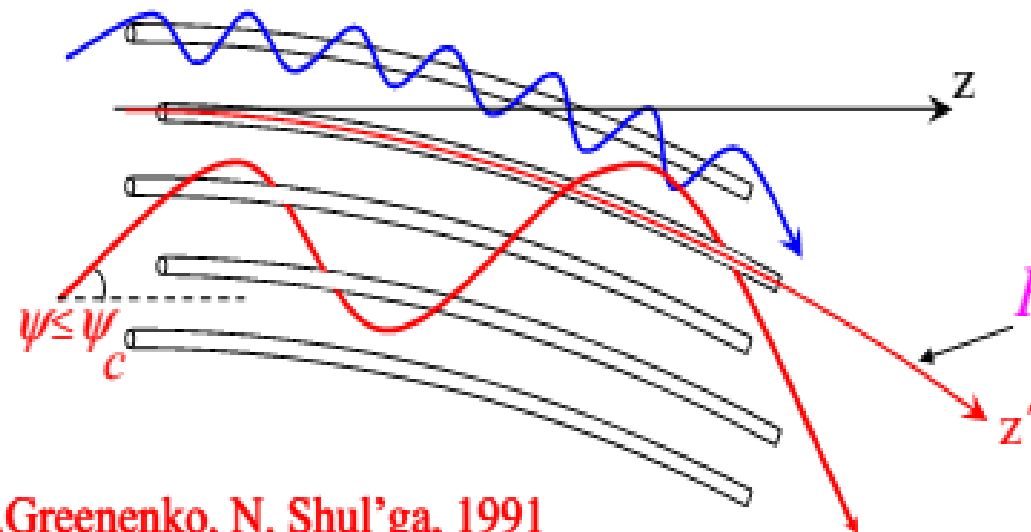
p, e^\pm, π^\pm @ (1-400) GeV
CERN EA&NA
(Geneve, Switzerland)

**CSN5 ICE-RAD, CHANEL,
AXIAL & ELIOT
(Ferrara, LNL, Milano
Bicocca)**

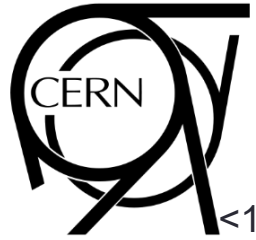
Axial Channeling

- Stochastic Deflection proposed by A.A. Greenenko and N.F. Shul'ga in 1991 [Pis'ma Zh. Eksp. Teor. Fiz. 54 (1991) 520]
- Experimentally observed by H8-RD22/UA9 collaboration at CERN in 2008 for protons and in 2009 for π^- -mesons

In case of axial alignment, most of the particles are deflected through multiple scattering by atomic strings (**Stochastic Deflection**) rather than by axial channeling (or **hyperchanneling**)

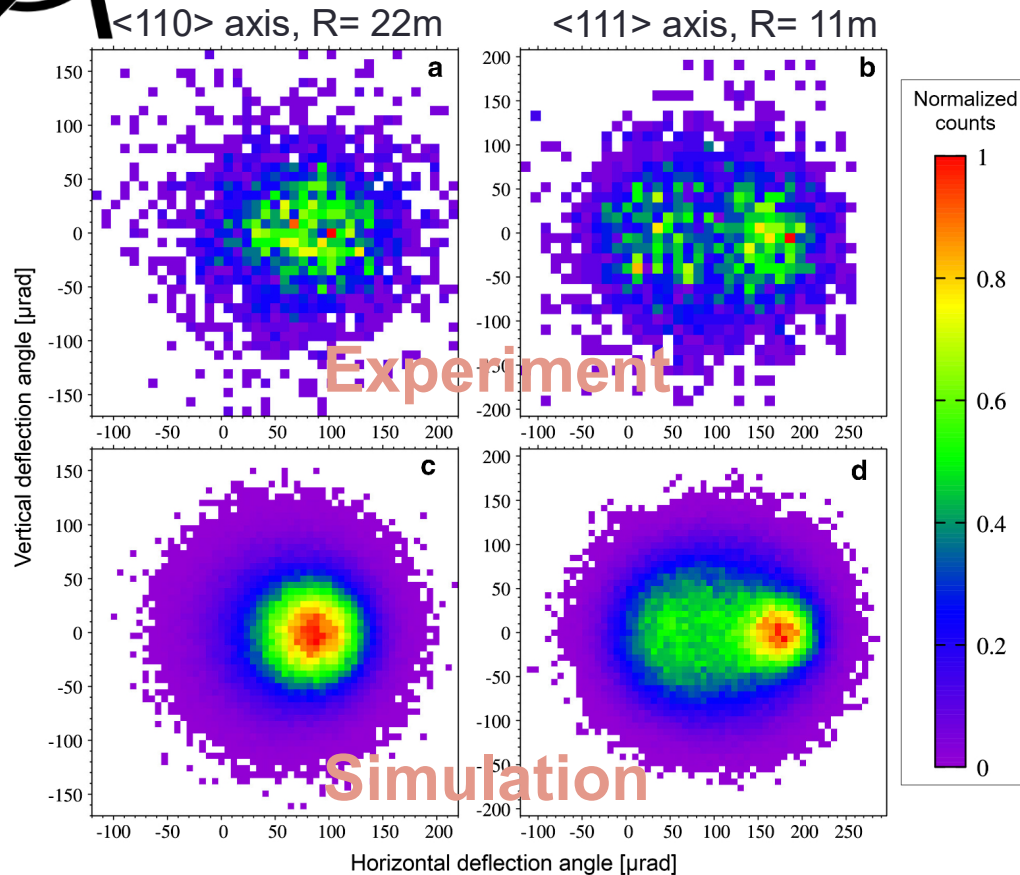


A.Greenenko, N. Shul'ga, 1991

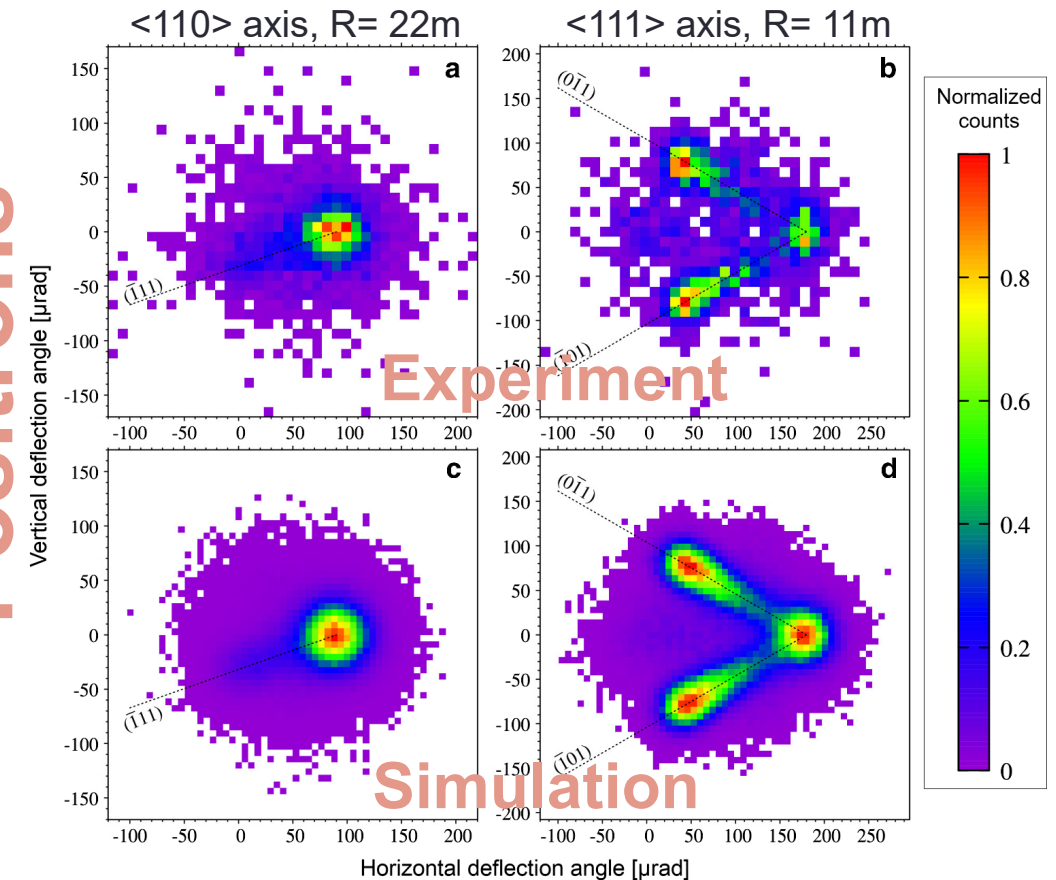


Recent results with 120 GeV electrons & positrons

Electrons



Positrons



L. Bandiera, I. V. Kyryllin,... N. F. Shul'ga,... et al. Eur. Phys. J. C 81 (2021) 238

Deflection of more than 90% of the electron beam. Since planar deflection could be highly inefficient to steer TeV negative beams, axial deflection could be really a good option.

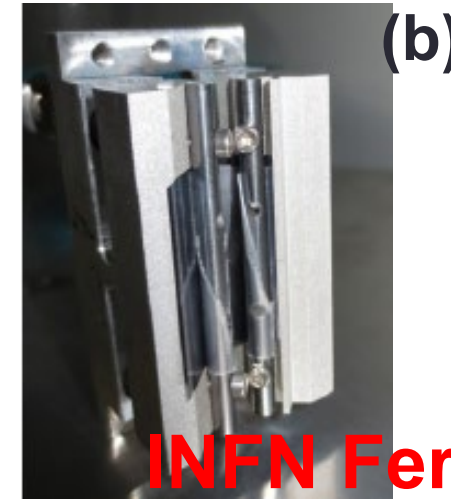
Fabrication and characterization of crystals to manipulated sub-GeV and GeV electrons



Realization of tens micron Si membranes (a) and their bending (b):

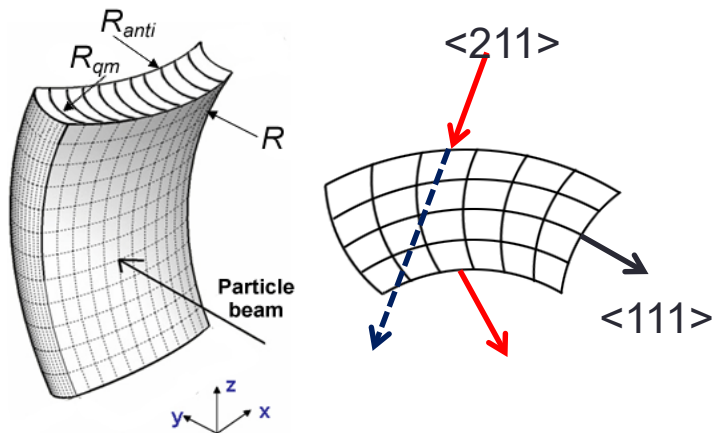
- determine the **dechannelling length** and deflection capability
- study **channeling radiation** in the **sub-GeV energy range**

G. Germogli et al. NIM B 355 (2015) 81–85

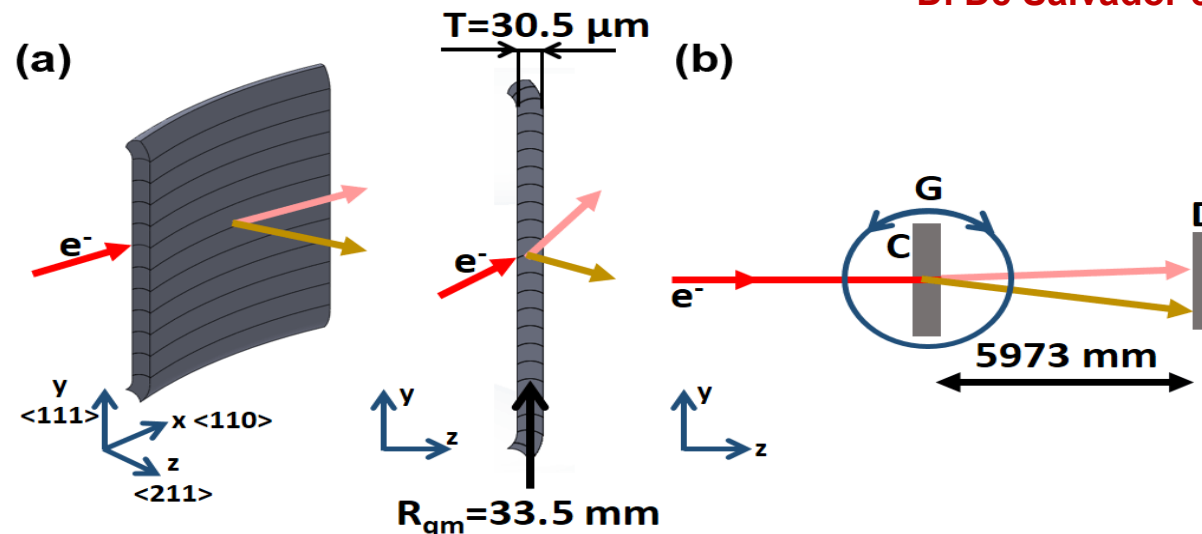


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D. De Salvador et al 2018 JINST 13 C04006



Quasimosaic effect
(Ivanov et al., 2005)

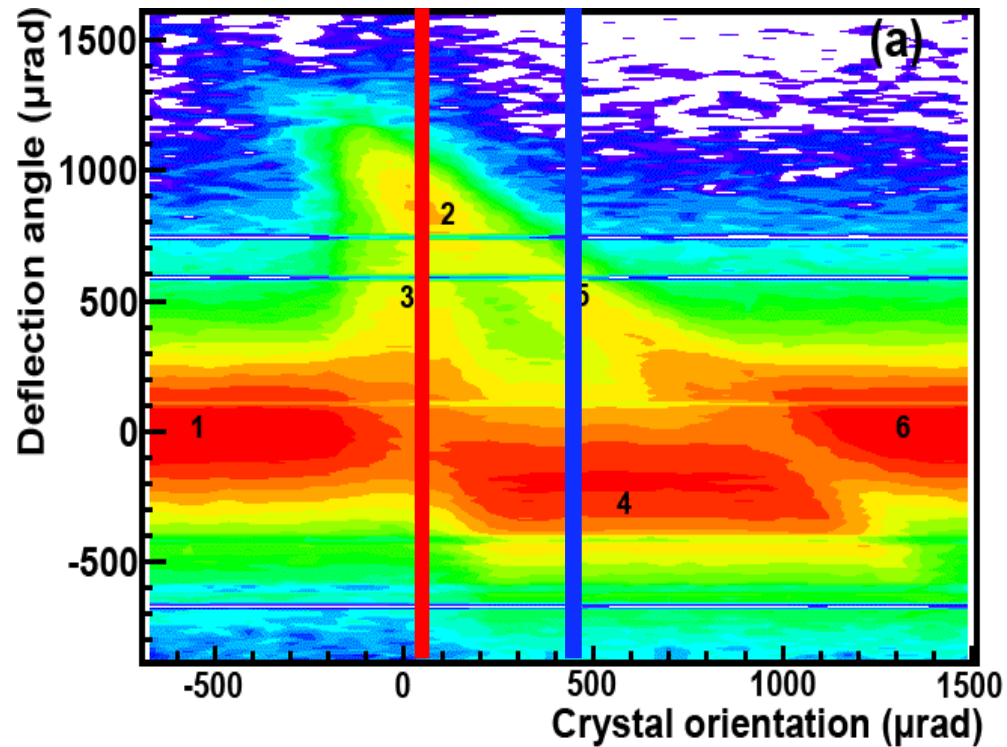


Experiments with
0.855 GeV electrons
at the MAMI B line

D.Lietti et al. Rev. Sci. Instrum. 86, 045102 (2015)

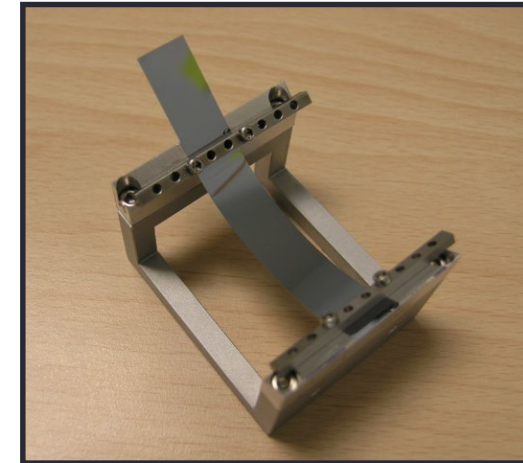
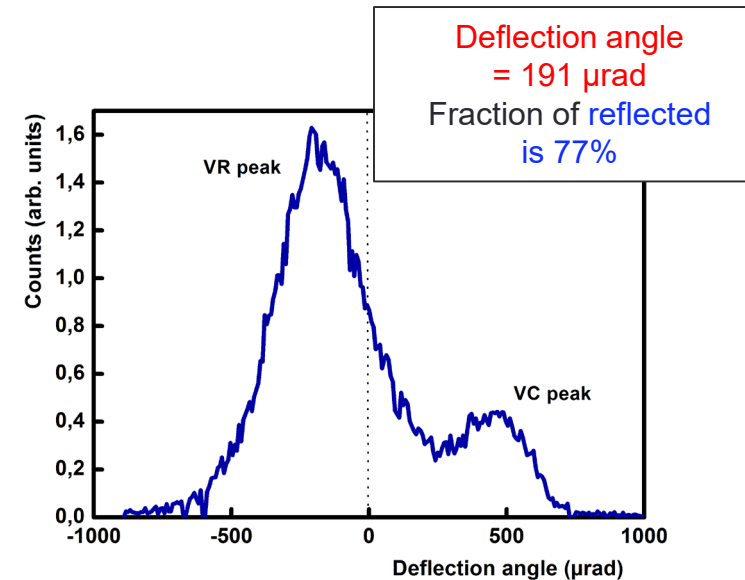
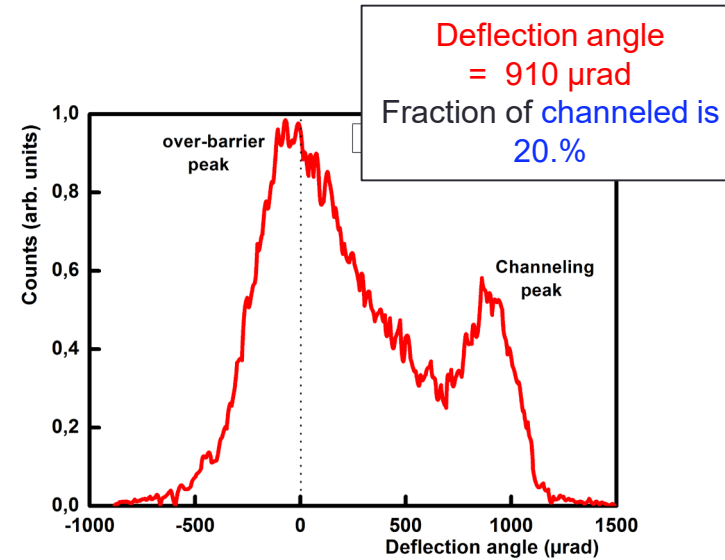


Experimental results on beam steering

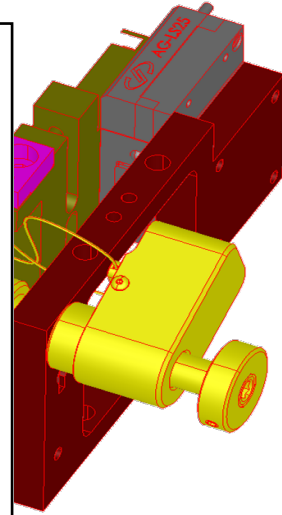


First observation of sub-GeV particle beam deflection in a bent crystal !

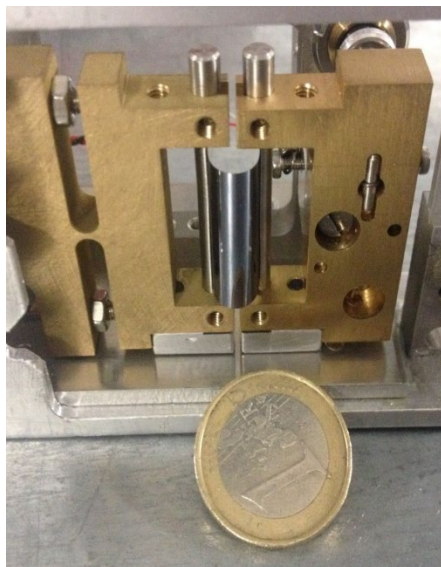
A. Mazzolari et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 112 (2014) 135503



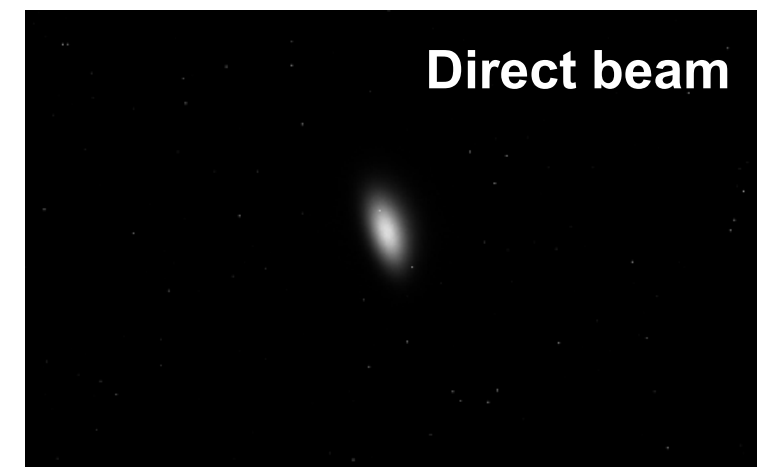
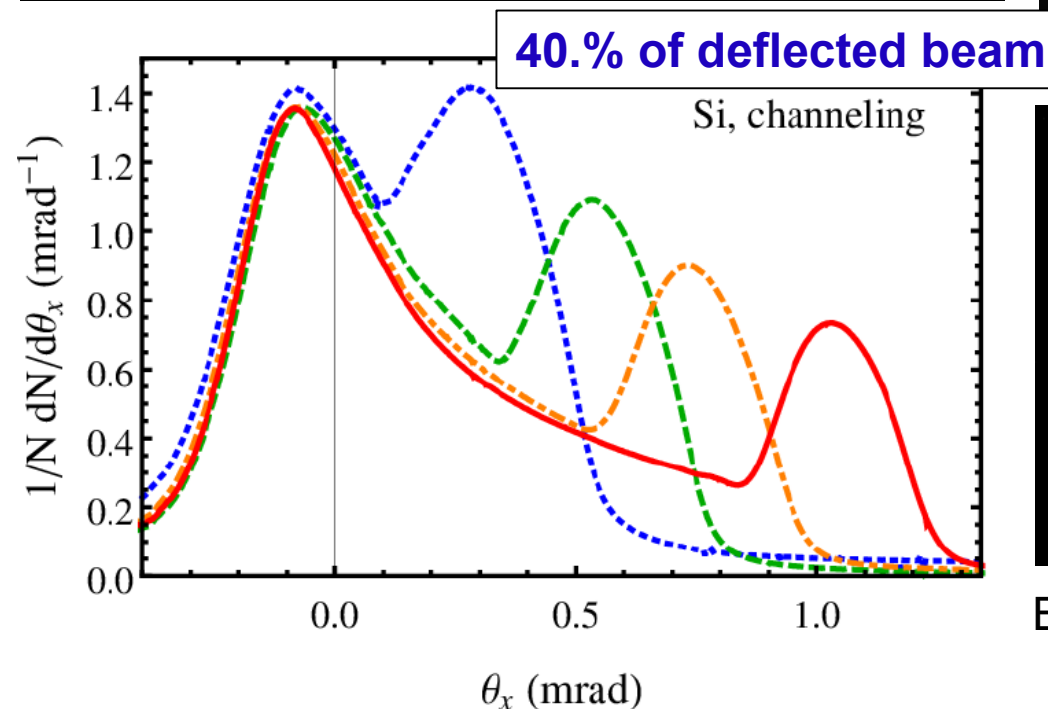
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(111) Bent planes
900 μrad deflection angle



Results with bent crystals: deflection



Si and Ge crystals:
15 μm thick
 bent planes (111)

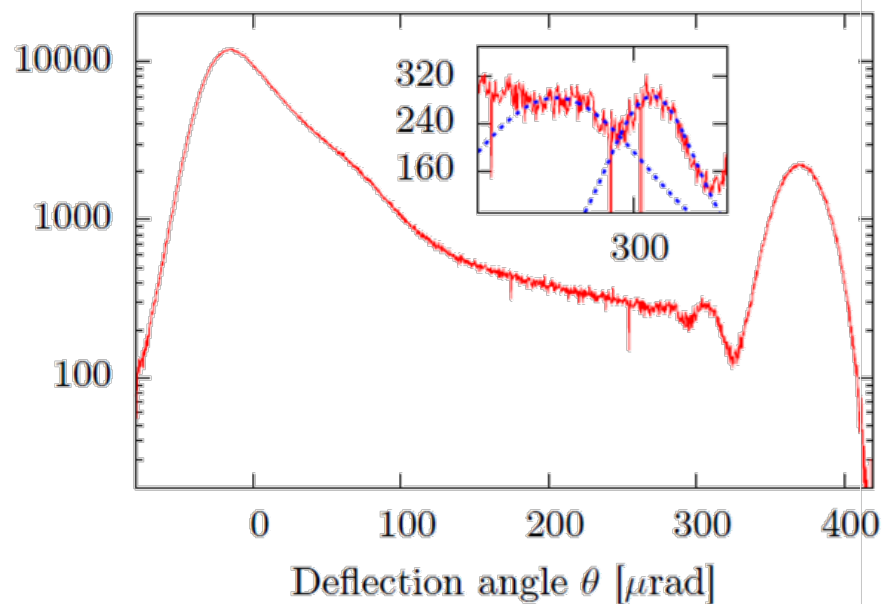


Beam angular divergence: **21.4 μrad**

Channeling experiments @SLAC (Stanford, US)



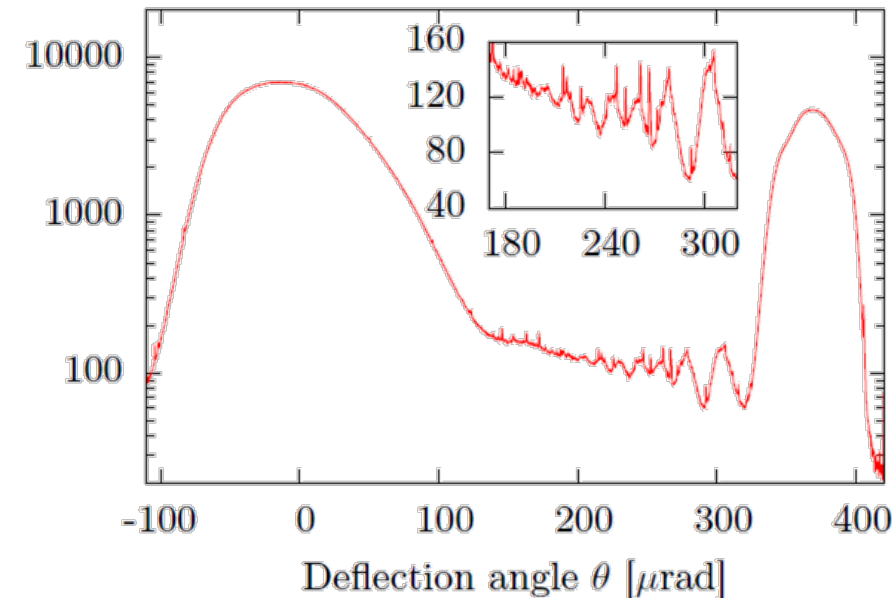
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SLAC E-212 Collaboration

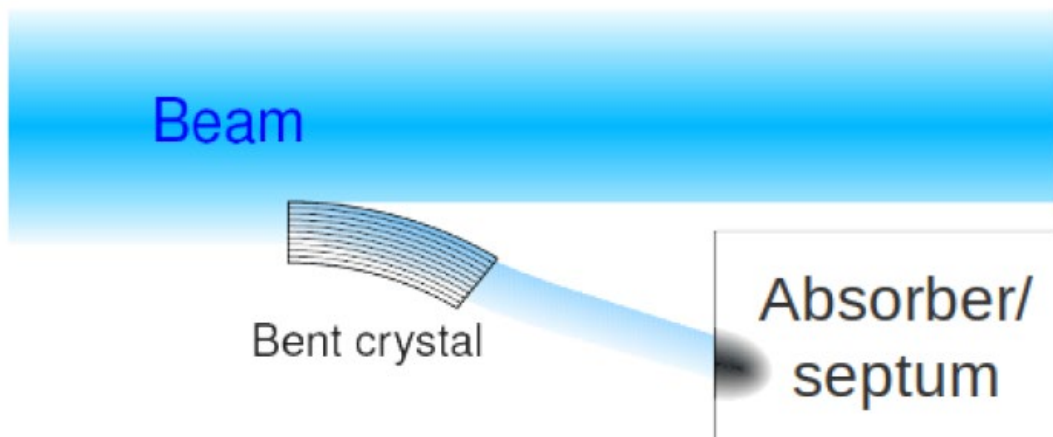
(Aarhus University, SLAC, California Polytechnic State University and INFN Ferrara)

Phys. Rev. Lett. 119 (2017) 024801



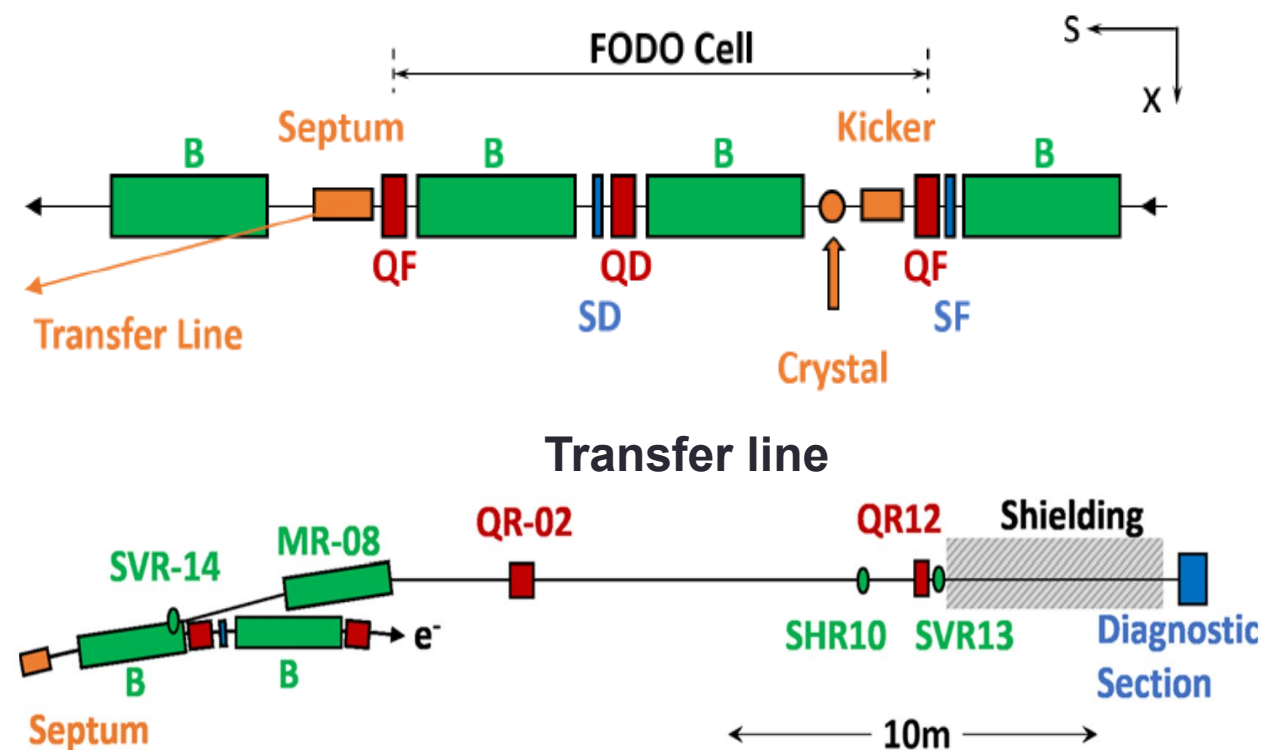
Crystal-based Extraction of 6 GeV Electrons from the DESY-II Booster Synchrotron

A. Sytov et al. Eur. Phys. J. C 82, 197 (2022).



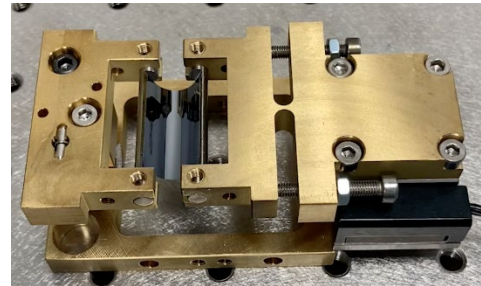
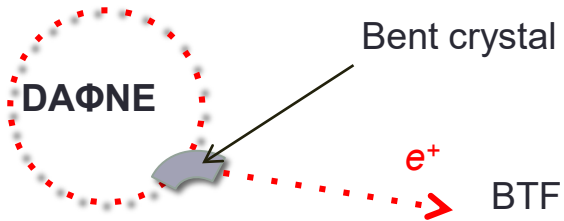
Motivation:

- ❑ Provide **multi-GeV electron beams in a parasitic mode**, allowing to supply fixed-target experiments by intense **high-quality monoenergetic electron beams**.
- ❑ Electron crystal-based extraction may provide an access to **unique experimental conditions for ultra-high energy** fixed-target experiments including searches for New Physics Beyond Standard Model in **future Colliders**.

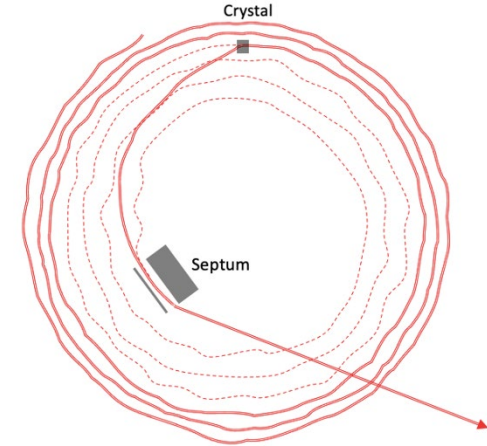


(CSN5 Young Researcher Grant 2020-2022 - P.I.: Dr. M. Garattini)

R&D study to extract a high-quality e^+ (or e^-) beam from one of the DAΦNE rings
The idea is to use coherent processes in a bent crystal to steer the positron beam



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Target spill parameters:

- Energy spread: $\Delta p/p < 10^{-3}$
- Emittance: $\varepsilon < 10^{-6}$ rad·m
- **Length: $\Delta t \sim$ ms**

VS

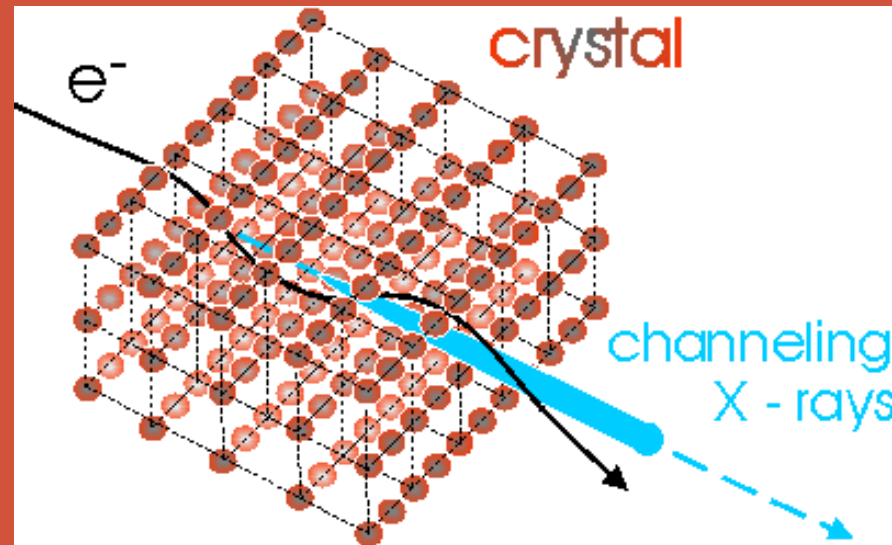
Current BTF spill parameters:

- Energy spread: $\Delta p/p < 0.5 \times 10^{-2}$
- Emittance: $\varepsilon < 10^{-5}$ rad·m
- **Length: $\Delta t \sim 300$ ns**

Preliminary simulation studies @DAΦNE, without changing the layout of the rings (but only the currents), show that with a **crystal deflection of 1 mrad** it is possible to obtain
pulses of 0.1 ms (damping ring) and up to 0.4 ms (main ring)

Immediate application:

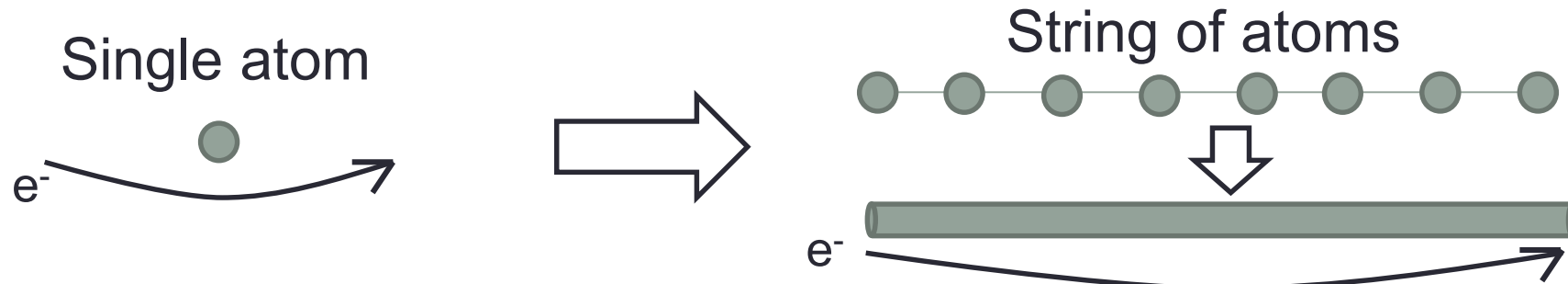
With the **SHERPA beam**, **PADME** (“Positron Annihilation into Dark Matter Experiment”) could increase the **statistics by a factor $\sim 10^4$** and its **sensitivity by a factor $\sim 10^2$** , largely extending the discovery potential



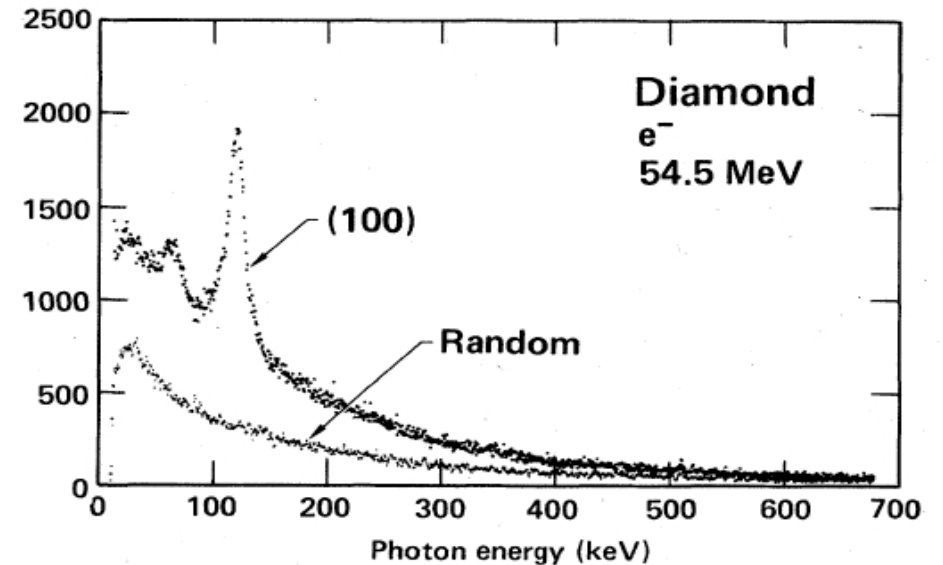
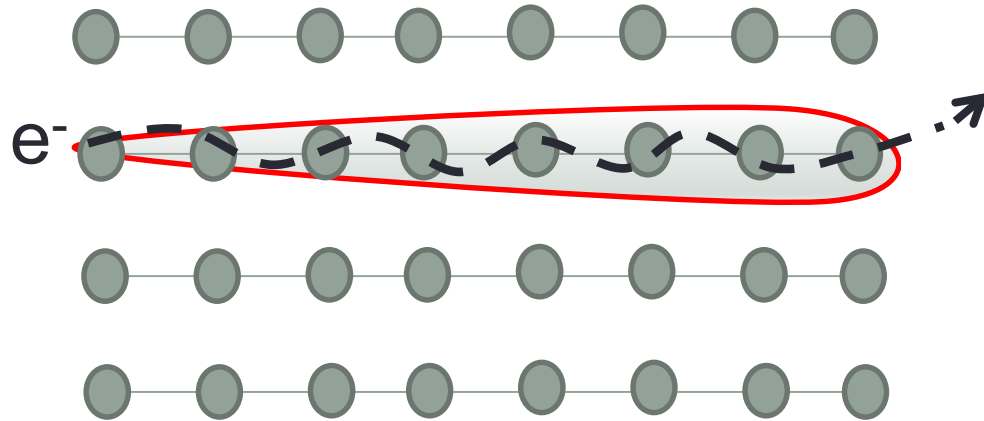
CHANNELING RADIATION...

- Intense X and gamma beam sources
- Positron source for future electron positron colliders

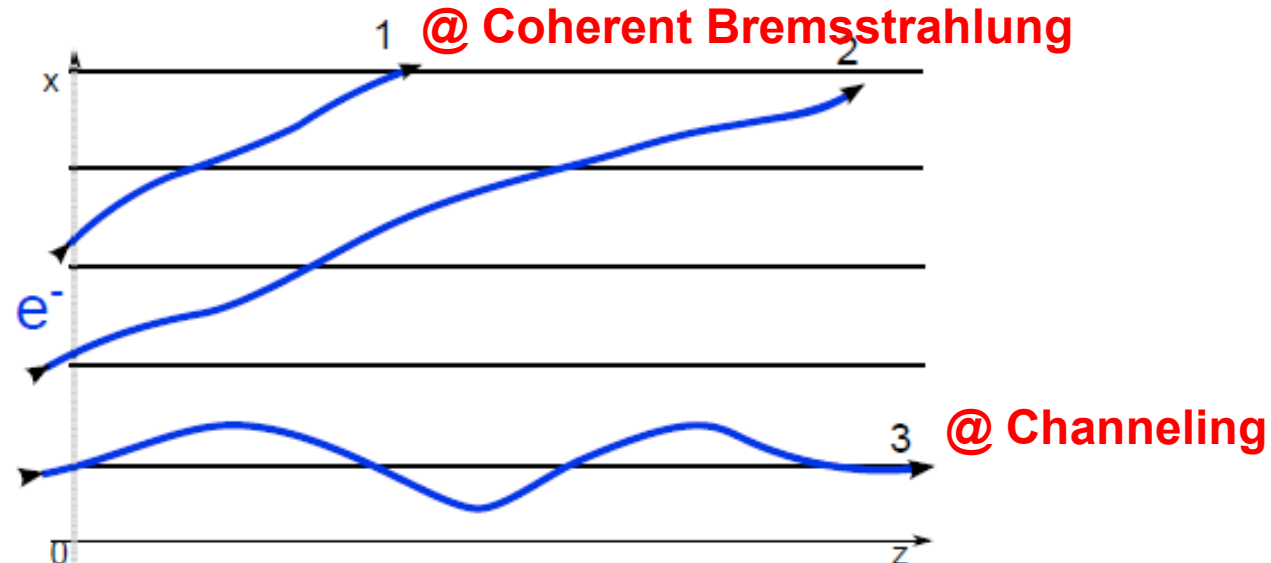
Enhancement of bremsstrahlung in aligned crystals



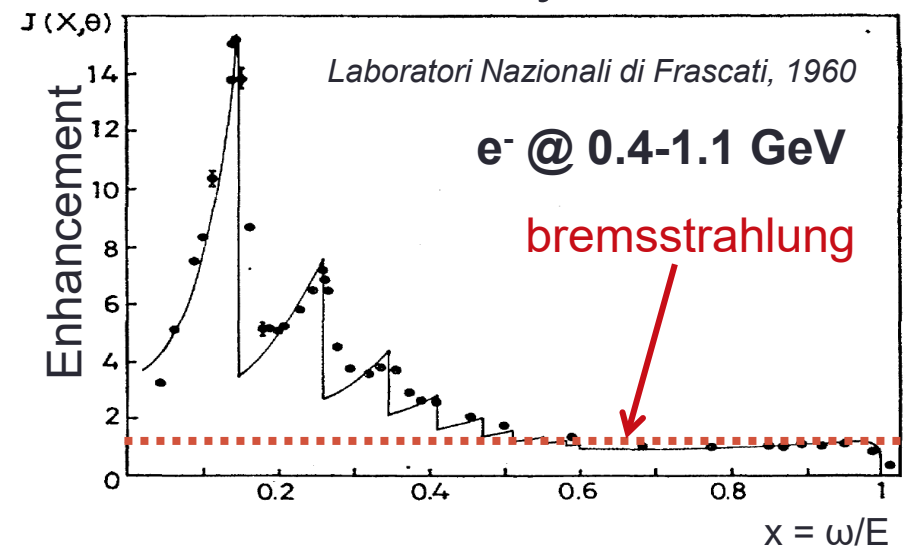
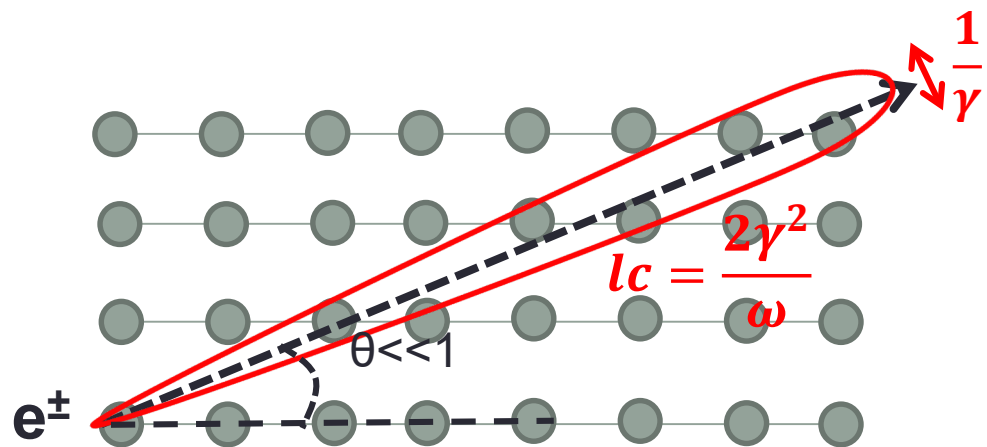
Channeling Radiation (1976, Kumakhov)



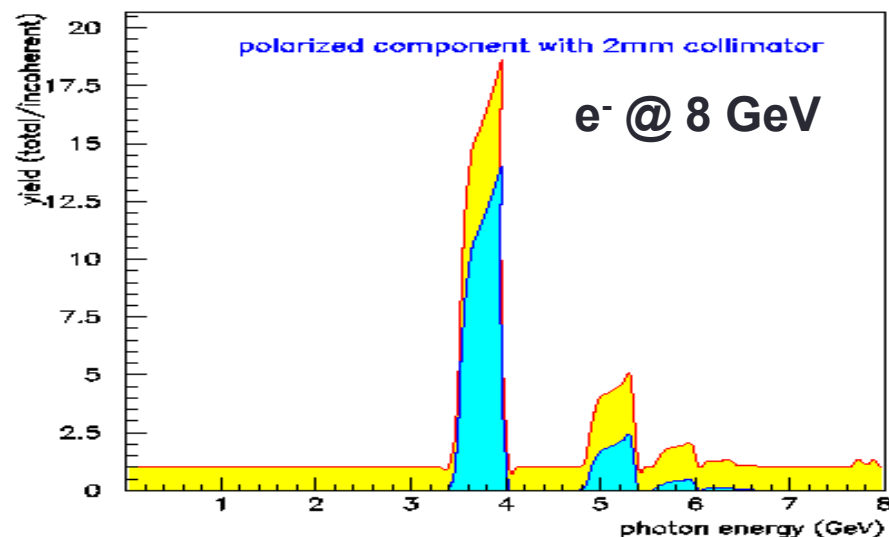
... and in nearly aligned crystals



Coherent Bremsstrahlung (1950s) Ter-Mikaelian, Ferretti, Dyson-Uberall



Gamma-ray Coherent Bremsstrahlung sources with GeV electrons



Intense and monochromatic gamma source
Linearly polarized photons

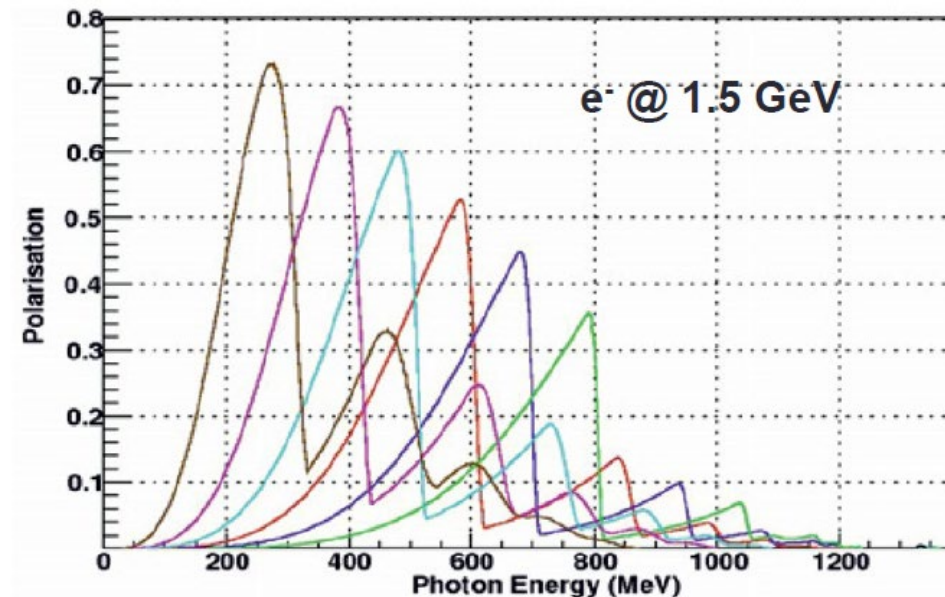
usually exploited
for photonuclear researches

MAMI – Germany

JLAB – USA

MAXLAB – Sweden

ELSA - Germany



Degree of linear photon polarization achievable @MAMI in different diamond orientation

JLAB example: underlying symmetry of the quark degrees of freedom in the nucleon, the nature of the parity exchange between the incident photon and the target nucleon.

Study of radiation emitted by sub-GeV and multi-GeV electrons and positrons in bent crystals

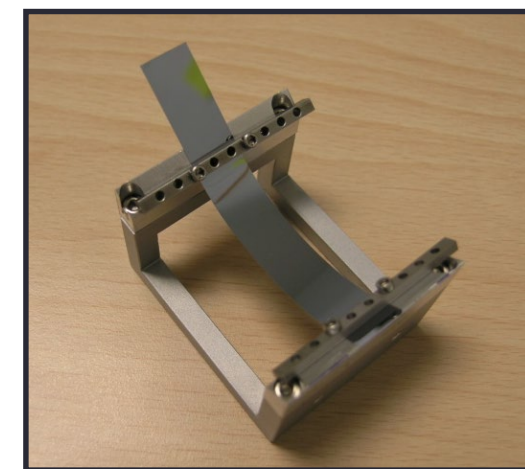
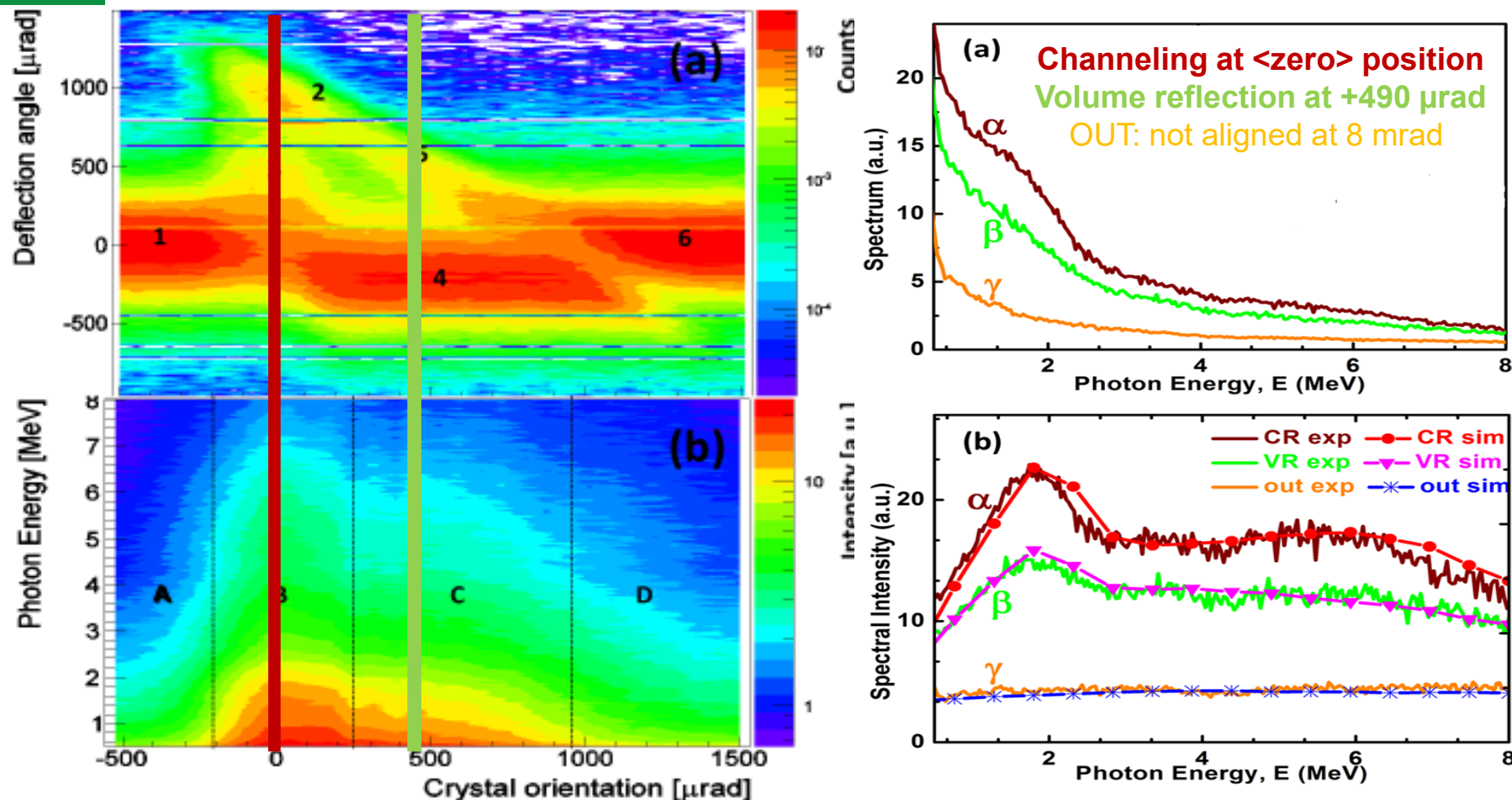


- A lot of attention is devoted to channeling effects of **electrons around GeV** :
 - Interest for alternatives x-ray sources
 - Relatively large availability of accelerators
- Study of the influence of the curvature on Channeling Radiation. This experimental knowledge may be exploited to **determine with more accuracy the Channeling Radiation contribution to crystalline undulators**
- Radiative losses during **extraction from electron and positrons accelerators**



Studies co-financed by the CSN5 (ICE-RAD, CHANEL, AXIAL & ELIOT) and EU H2020 MSCA RISE projects PEARL (2014-19) & N-LIGHT (2020-ongoing)

Experimental results on radiation emission



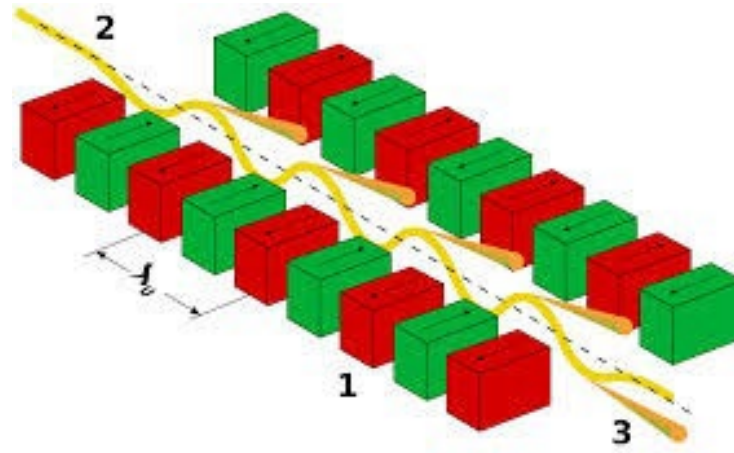
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Volume Reflection and Channeling peak @1.8 MeV and in total a larger acceptance for enhancement than for straight crystals

Conversion of poor emittance e^- beams to γ -beams – base element for crystalline undulators

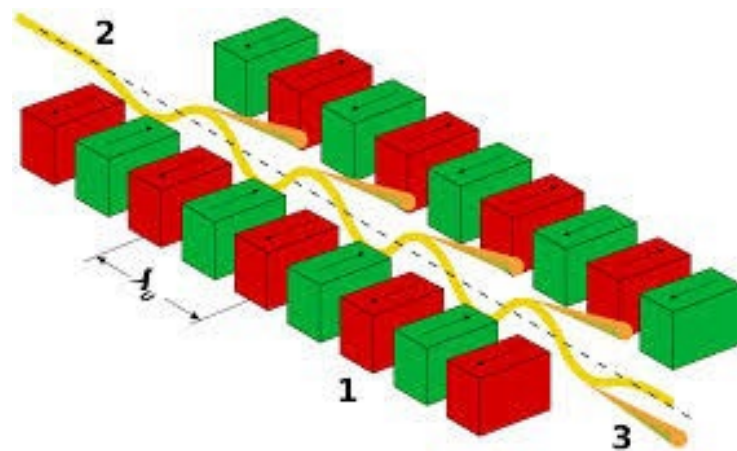
Crystalline undulator as an intense X- and γ -ray source

Classical scheme:
magnetic undulator in
a free electron laser
keV X-rays
 $\lambda_u \sim \text{cm}$

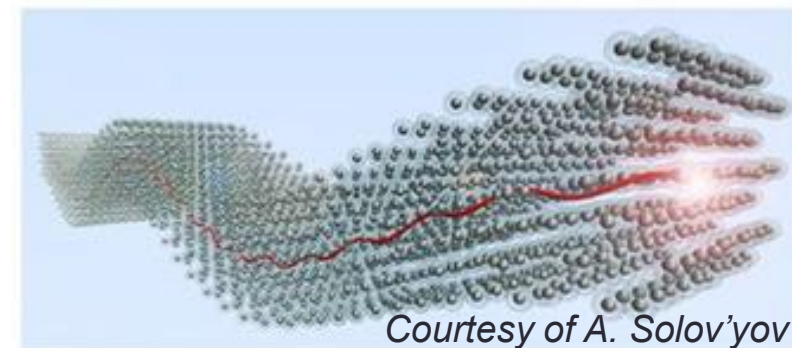
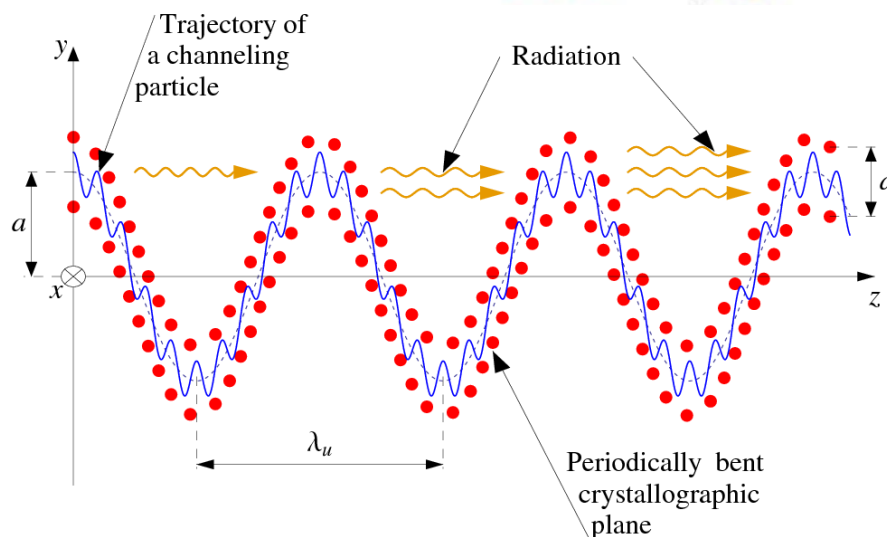


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Innovative scheme:
Crystalline undulator \rightarrow
Hard X-rays and gamma rays
 $\lambda_u < \text{mm}$



Courtesy of A. Solov'ov

Artistic view of a Crystalline Undulator based Light Source

Theo: V.V. Kaplin, S.V. Plotnikov, and S.A. Vorobiev, Zh. Tekh. Fiz. 50, 1079-1081 (1980). V.G. Baryshevsky, I.Ya. Dubovskaya, and A.O. Grubich, Phys. Lett., 77A, 61-64 (1980). Korol, Solov'ov, Greiner, J.Phys.G, v.24, L45 (1998)
1st exp: S. Bellucci, et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 90 (2003) 034801

$d = 1 \dots 2 \text{ \AA}$ – the interplanar spacing
 $a = (10 \dots 50)d$ – the amplitude of bending
 $\lambda_u = (10^4 \dots 10^5)a$ – the period of bending

$$d \ll a \ll \lambda$$

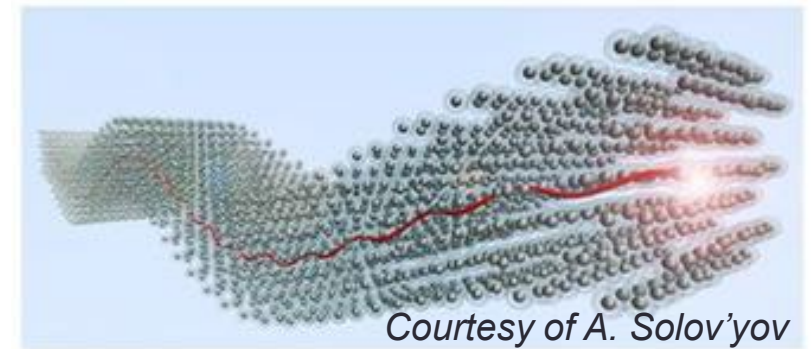
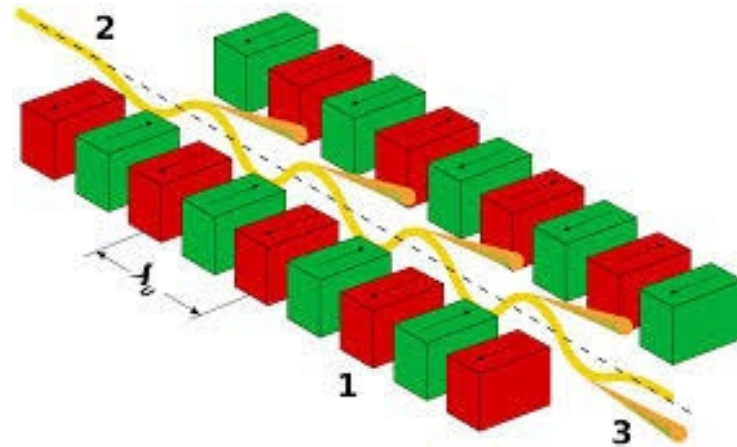
Magnetic undulator:
 $\lambda_u \sim 1 \text{ cm}$, $\hbar\omega \sim 10 \text{ keV}$

Crystalline undulator:
 $\lambda_u \sim 10 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$, $\hbar\omega \sim 0.1 \dots 10 \text{ MeV}$

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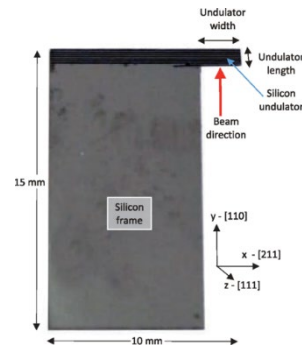
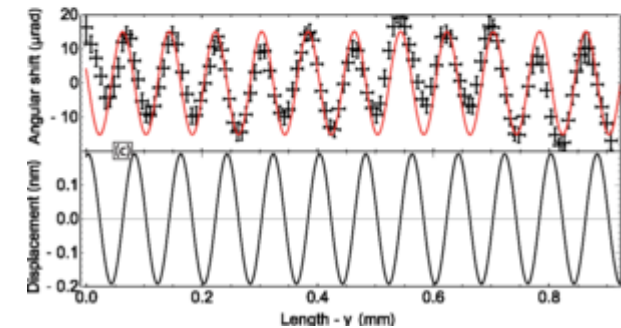
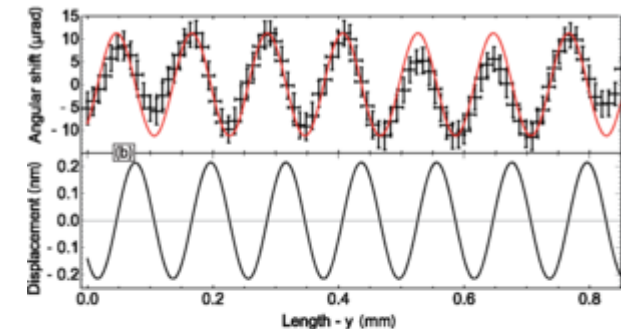
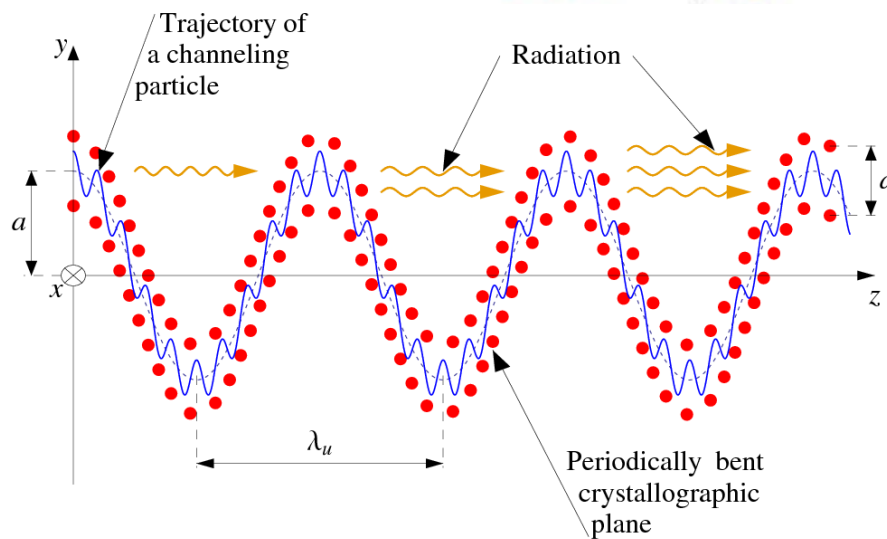
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Crystalline undulators made by mechanical processes @INFN Ferrara

Innovative scheme:
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Hard X-rays and gamma rays
 $\lambda_u < \text{mm}$



Application in basic science, medical physics and industries.

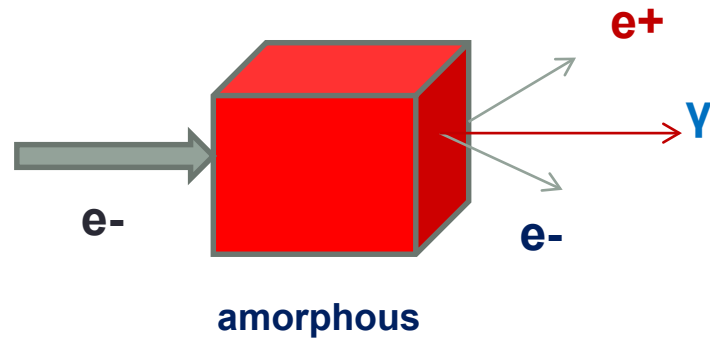
An operating CU could produce highly monochromatic X- and γ -ray beams *R. Camattari et al., PRAB 22 (2019) 044701*

CRYSTAL BASED POSITRON SOURCES FOR FUTURE ELECTRON POSITRON COLLIDERS

Hybrid crystal based positron source for future colliders

UNPOLARIZED POSITRON SOURCES

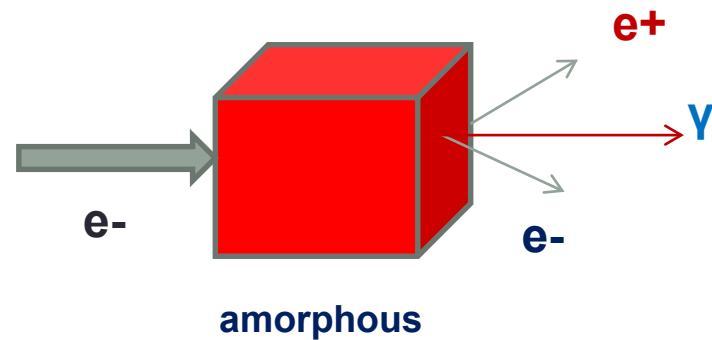
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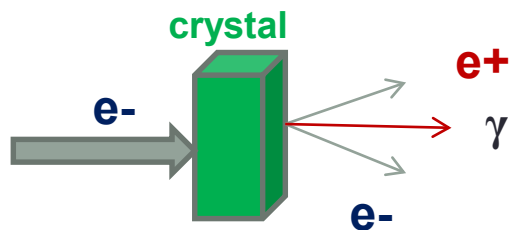
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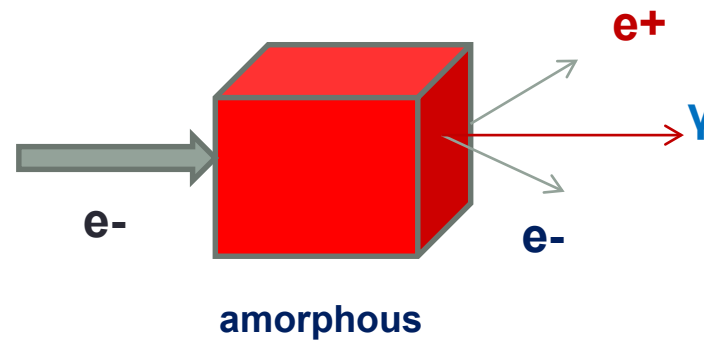


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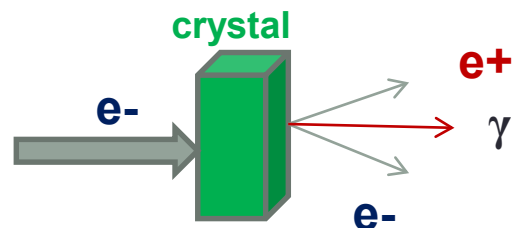
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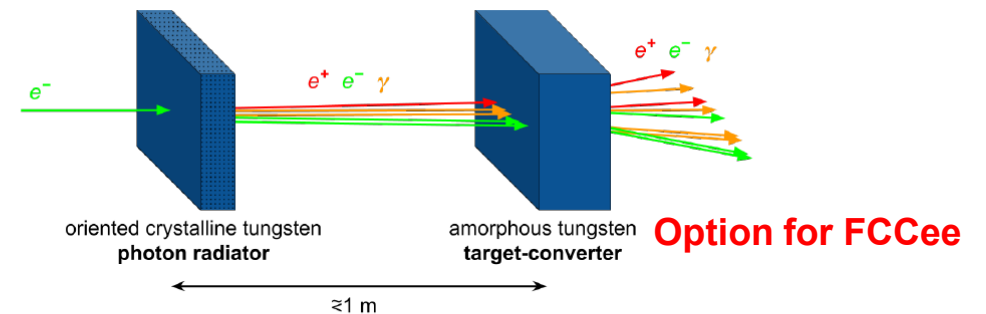


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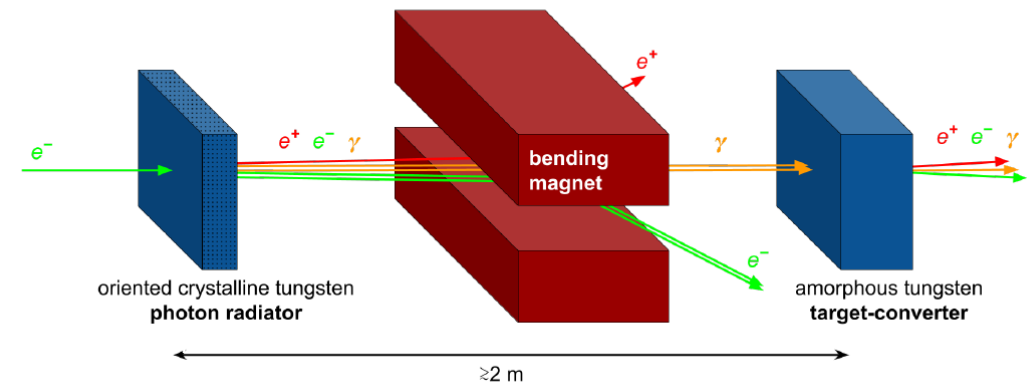


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3. Hybrid crystal based positron source



Ideal for linear colliders or LEMMA



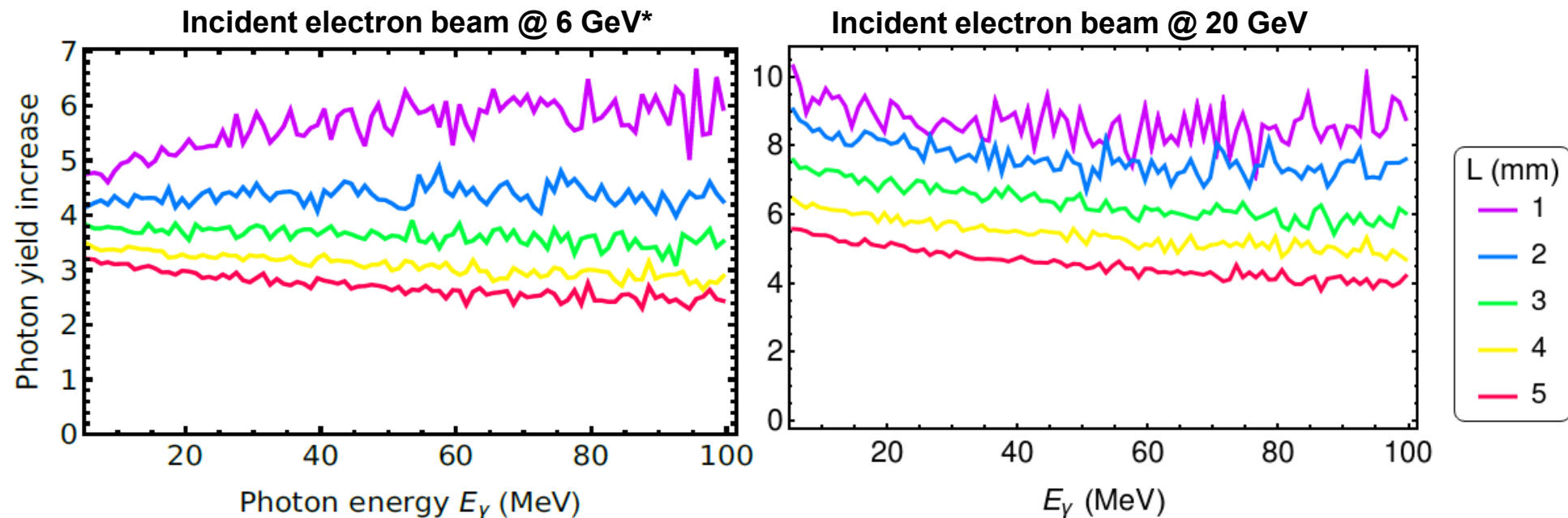
Idea of R. Chehab, V. Strakhovenko and A. Variola, NIM B 266 (2008) 3868

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The main concern for all positron sources is not only the yield but also the energy deposition and the associated PEDD (Peak Energy Deposition Density)

Main advantages of the hybrid source:

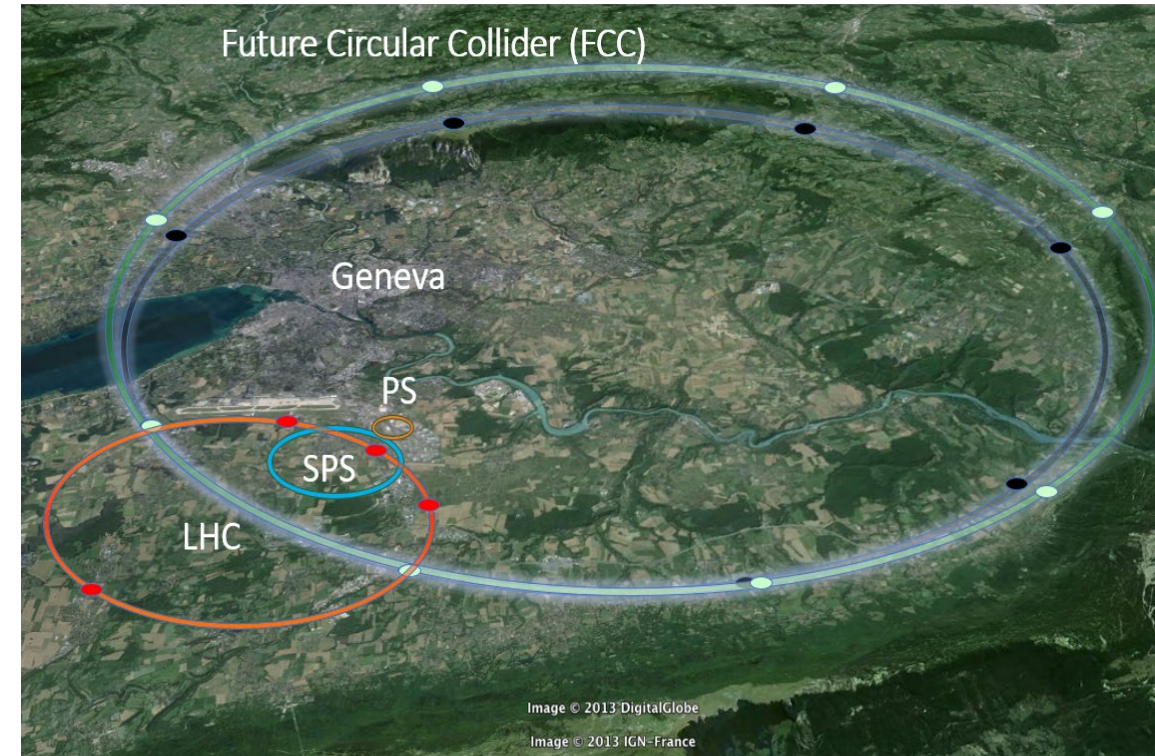
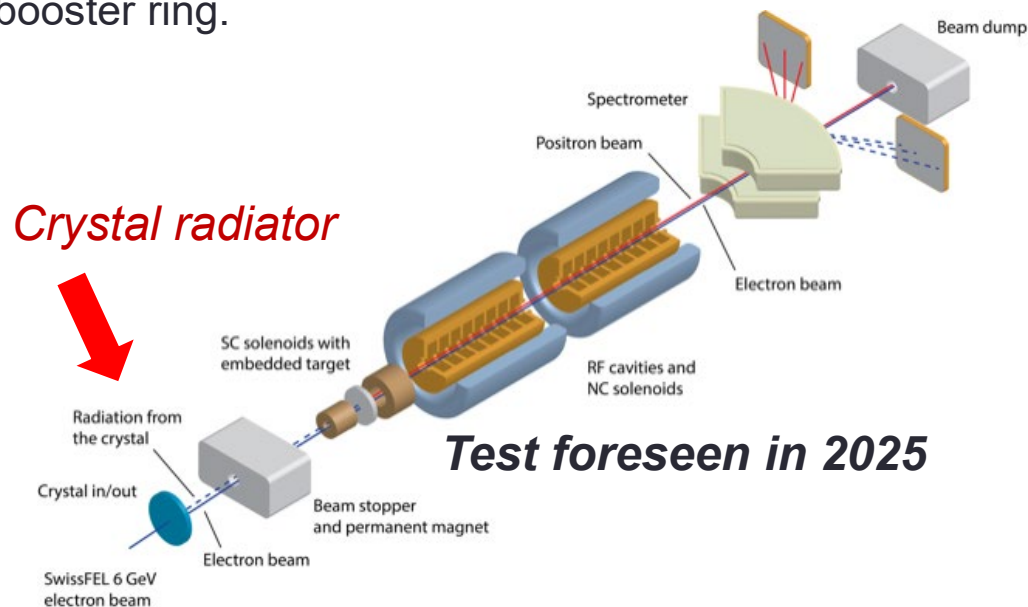
- **Enhancement of photon generation in crystals in channeling conditions** → enhancement of pair production in the converter target (Axial potential of a high-Z crystal, e.g., W, provides highest enhancement).
- **High rate of soft photons** → creation of soft e^+ easily captured in matching systems
- **Decrease of the PEDD in the converter target**



***L. Bandiera et al., Eur. Phys. J. C (2022) 82:699**

FCCEe Positron Source

- A positron **bunch intensity of 2.1×10^{10} particles** is required at the injection into a pre-booster ring allowing for a **positron yield of 0.5 Ne+/Ne-**. These constraints about intensity and emittance results in a strong heat load, with constraints in the reliability of the targets.
- **The positron source could be inserted at the injection (6 GeV).** As an alternative option for the FCC-ee injector, a **20 GeV linac is proposed** to provide the direct injection into the booster ring.

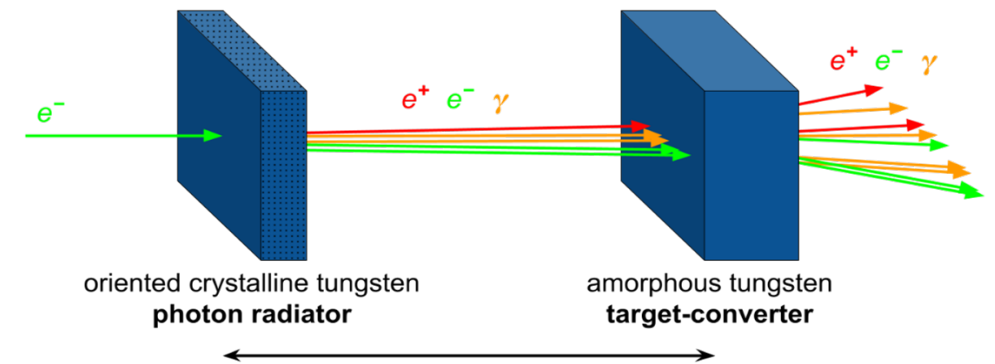


Project in CHART on the FCCEe Injection System:
 Collaboration between PSI and CERN with external partners:
 CNRS-IJCLab (Orsay), INFN-LNF (Frascati), SuperKEKB
 (interested in the P3 project) – *observer, INFN-Ferrara – radiation from crystals*

Hybrid source - preliminary optimization for FCCee

GEANT4 simulation with the inclusion of radiation in oriented crystals* validated with an experimental test at DESY with a 5.6 e-beam interacting with a 2.24 mm long W crystal within the CSN5 STORM project.

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e+ For more details, see the next seminar of **Prof. Robert Chehab (IJCLab Orsay)**

configuration	tgt. PEDD $\left[\frac{\text{GeV}}{e^- * \text{mm}^3} \right]$	e+ rate [e+/e-]	e+ beam size [mm]	e+ beam divergence [mrad]	e+ mean energy [MeV]
conventional, 17.6 mm W am	0.038	13.7	0.67	25.915	48.7
hybrid, 2mm W cry + 1 m distance + 11.6 mm W am	0.008	15.1	1.24	26.841	45.6
hybrid, 2mm W cry + 2 m distance + 11.6 mm W am	0.004	14.9	1.55	29.208	46.1
hybrid, 2mm W cry + 0.6 m distance + 11.6 mm W am	0.013	15.1	1.05	27.392	46.2

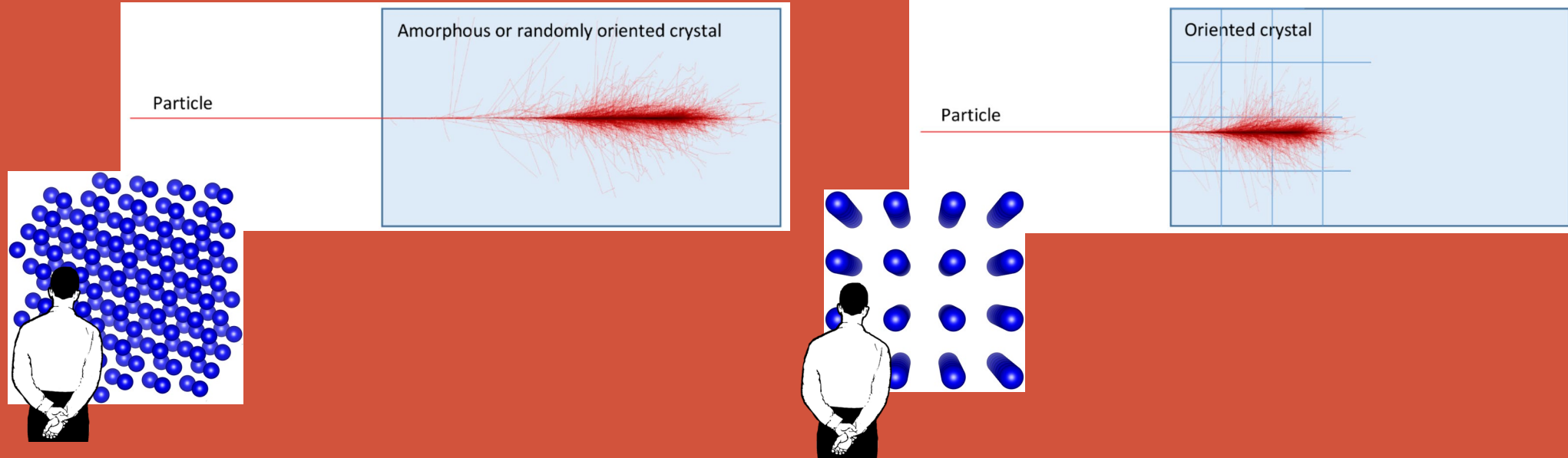
Comparable e+ rate at the target exit, but much less PEDD in the converter target!

We are also conducting irradiation tests at MAMI to measure the resistance of the targets (Co-financed by CSN1 RD-MUCOL)

Sept 2022: 3 years MoU between INFN-Ferrara and CNRS-IJCLab

*Synergy with the H2020 MSCA IF Global TRILLION of A. Sytov

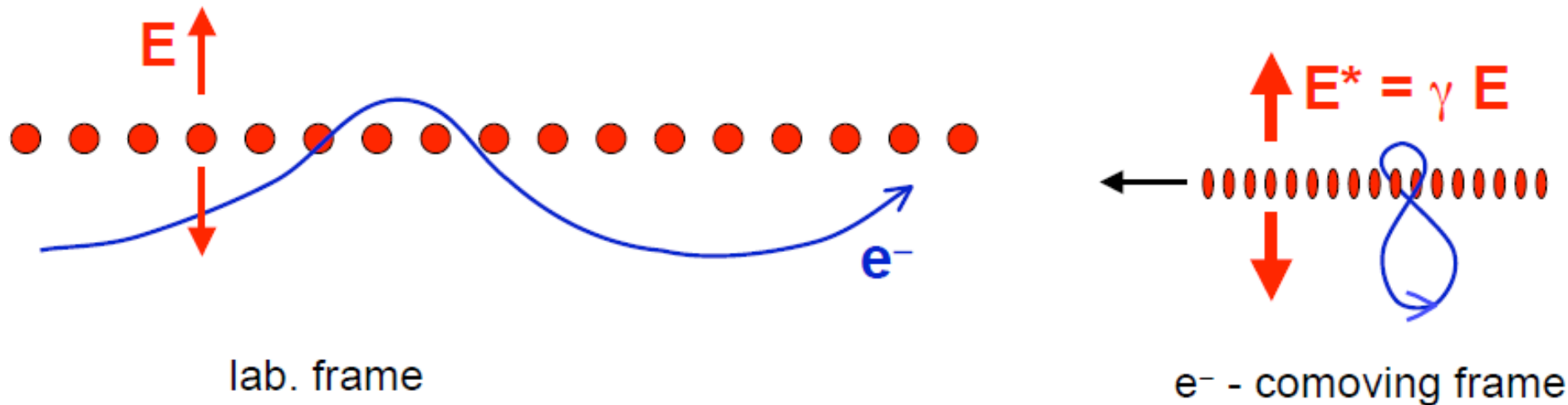
**Work done by M. Soldani and A. Sytov under the supervision of I. Chaikovska (IJCLab)



STRONG CRYSTALLINE FIELD

- Ultra-compact detectors for the energy and the intensity frontiers
- The NA62 & KLEVER experiment @CERN

Strong field in oriented crystals



In the comoving frame, the **Lorentz contracted Electric field** can be computed as:

$$E^* = \gamma E \quad \text{Being the Axial field of high-Z crystals } E \approx 10^{11} \text{ V/cm}$$

At beam energies > 10 GeV, E^* can reach the **Critical Schwinger QED field**:

$$E_0 = m^2 c^3 / e \hbar \simeq 1.3 \times 10^{16} \text{ V/cm}$$

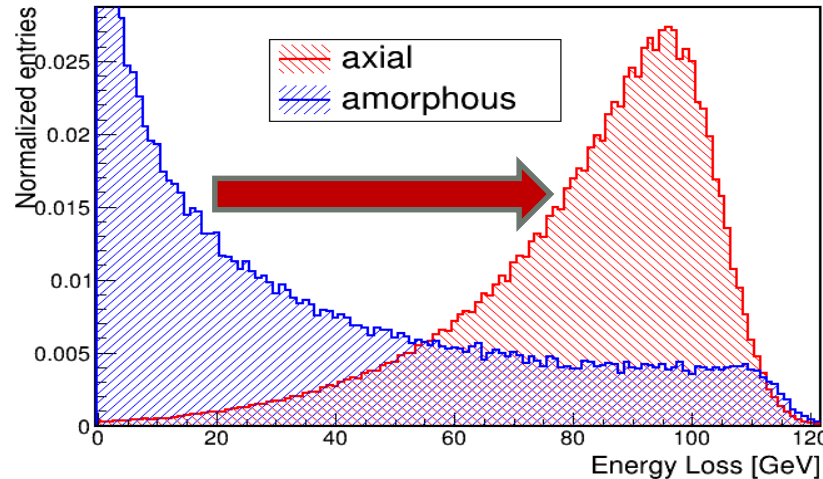
above which electrodynamics becomes non linear

Radiation and pair production in axial alignment

Strong field regime

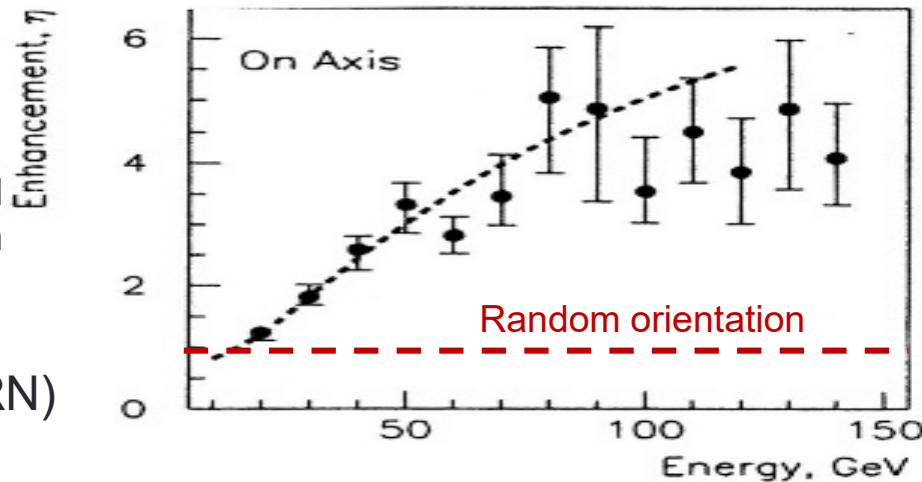
$$E^* \geq E_0$$

Radiative energy loss spectrum of 120-GeV e^- aligned with the $\langle 110 \rangle$ axis of a 2.8 mm long Ge crystal



- ❖ *Radiation length reduction*
 - ❖ X_0 decreases with initial energy increase.
- ❖ *Angular range:*
 - ❖ few mrad up to 1° of misalignment between particle direction and crystal axes;
 - ❖ Does **NOT** depend on particle energy.

Enhancement of pair production in a W crystal axially oriented – compared to random orientation
Vs. photon energy
(NA43 exp. @CERN)



Strong increase in the energy radiated by the electrons and in the pair production probability by high-energy photons!

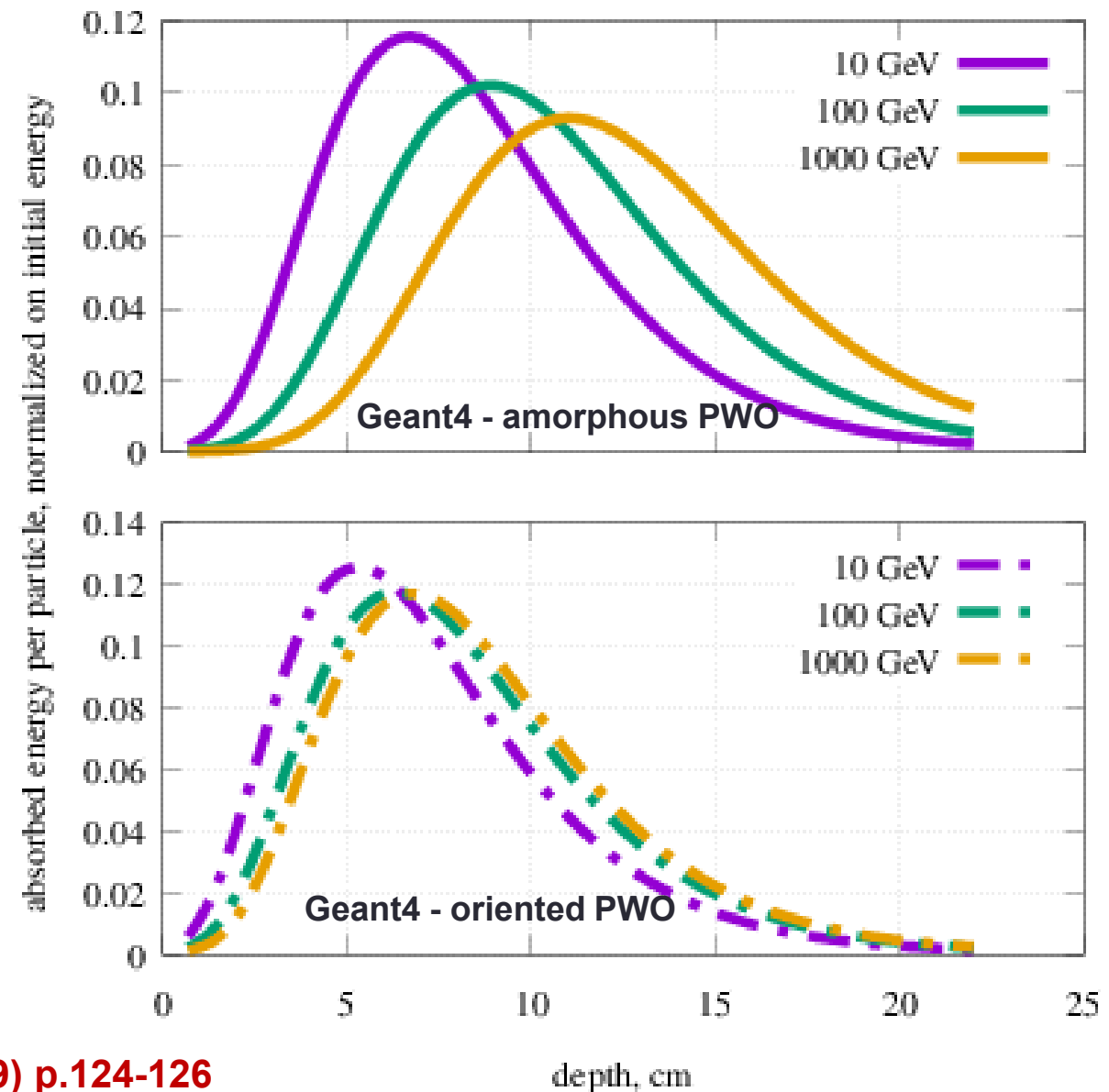
..e.m. shower acceleration

electromagnetic shower is way more compact

or equivalently

effective radiation length X_0 is much shorter

The modern electromagnetic calorimeters are designed for experiments at energies of hundreds of GeV/TeV and these enhancement effects are expected to be quite important in this energy range.

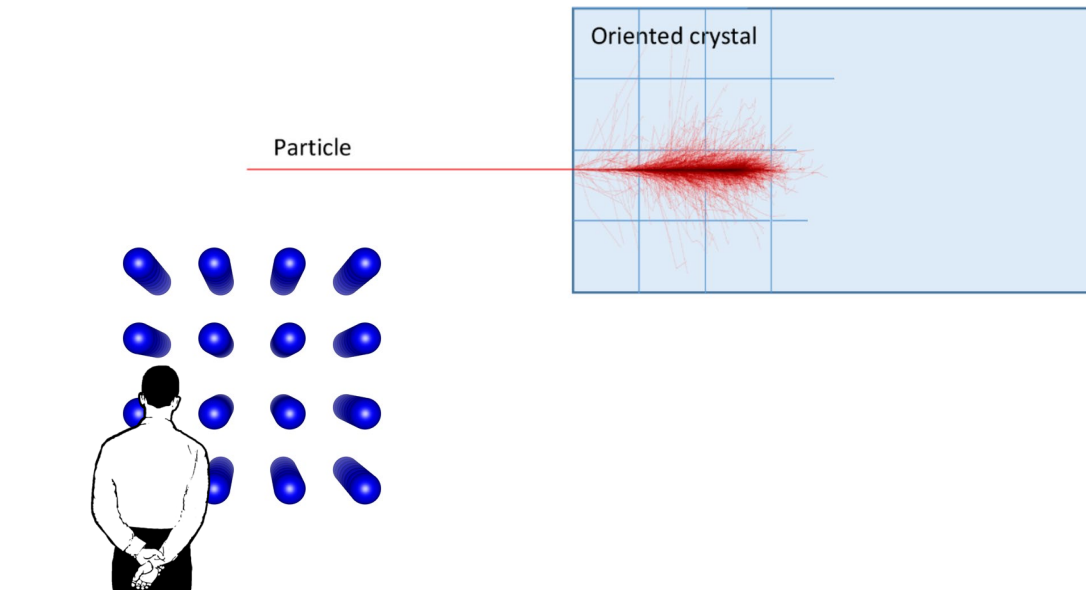
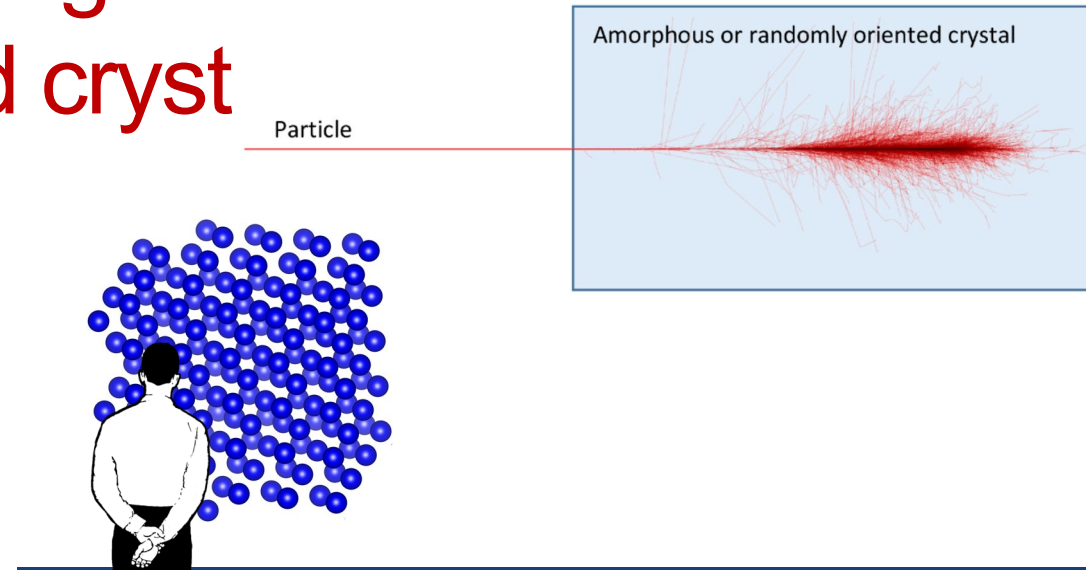


What happen if the electromagnetic calorimeter is made of oriented cryst

➤ Using oriented scintillator crystal one may containing e.m. showers initiated by particles with energies even above 100 GeV in a reduced volume/weight;

➤ **Cost reduction!!!**

➤ **Interesting application in particle and astroparticle physics!!!!**

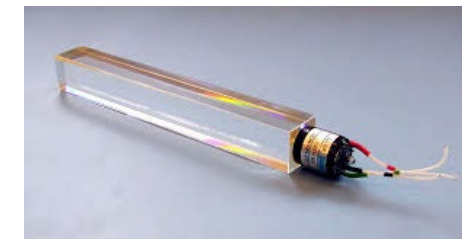
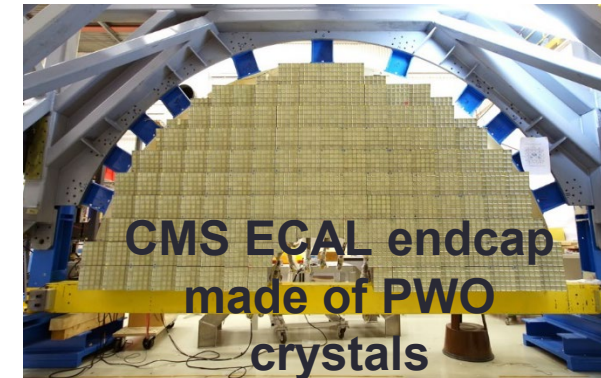
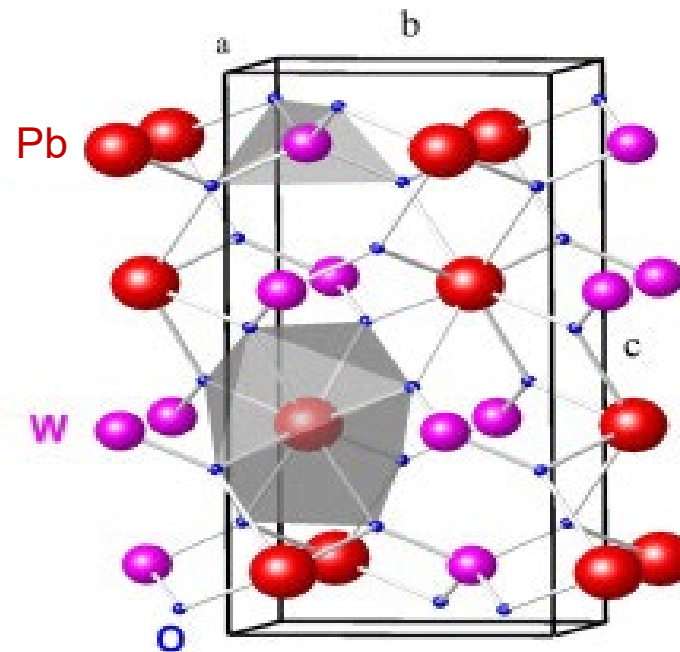


Lead tungstate (PbWO_4) – a high-Z crystal scintillator

- scintillator, with well-peaked light emission in the **blue**
- optically transparent
- exploited by the CMS ECal \rightarrow well known
- **high density, high Z ($X_0 = 0.89$ cm)**
- **radiation hard**
- **cheap fabrication into big samples and with good crystalline quality** (mosaicity around 0.1 mrad vs. \sim mrad of strong field)

Axial potential

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interatomic pitch	5.456 Å	12.020 Å
U_0	~ 700 eV	~ 500 eV
$\gamma E = E_0$	$\sim 25-30$ GeV	

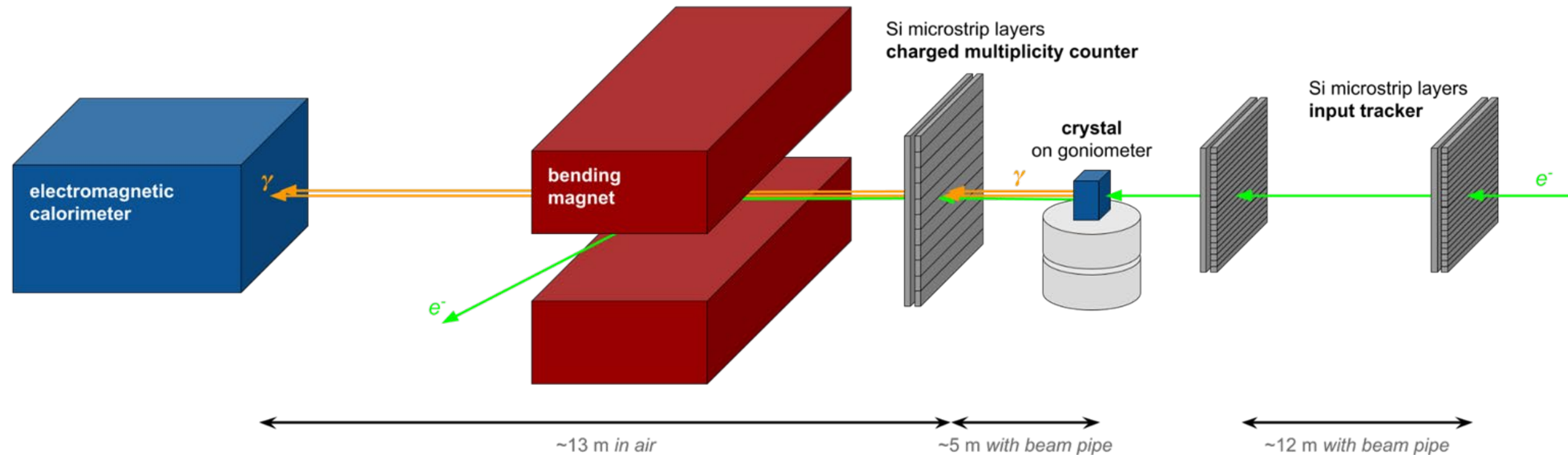


Different PWO samples investigated

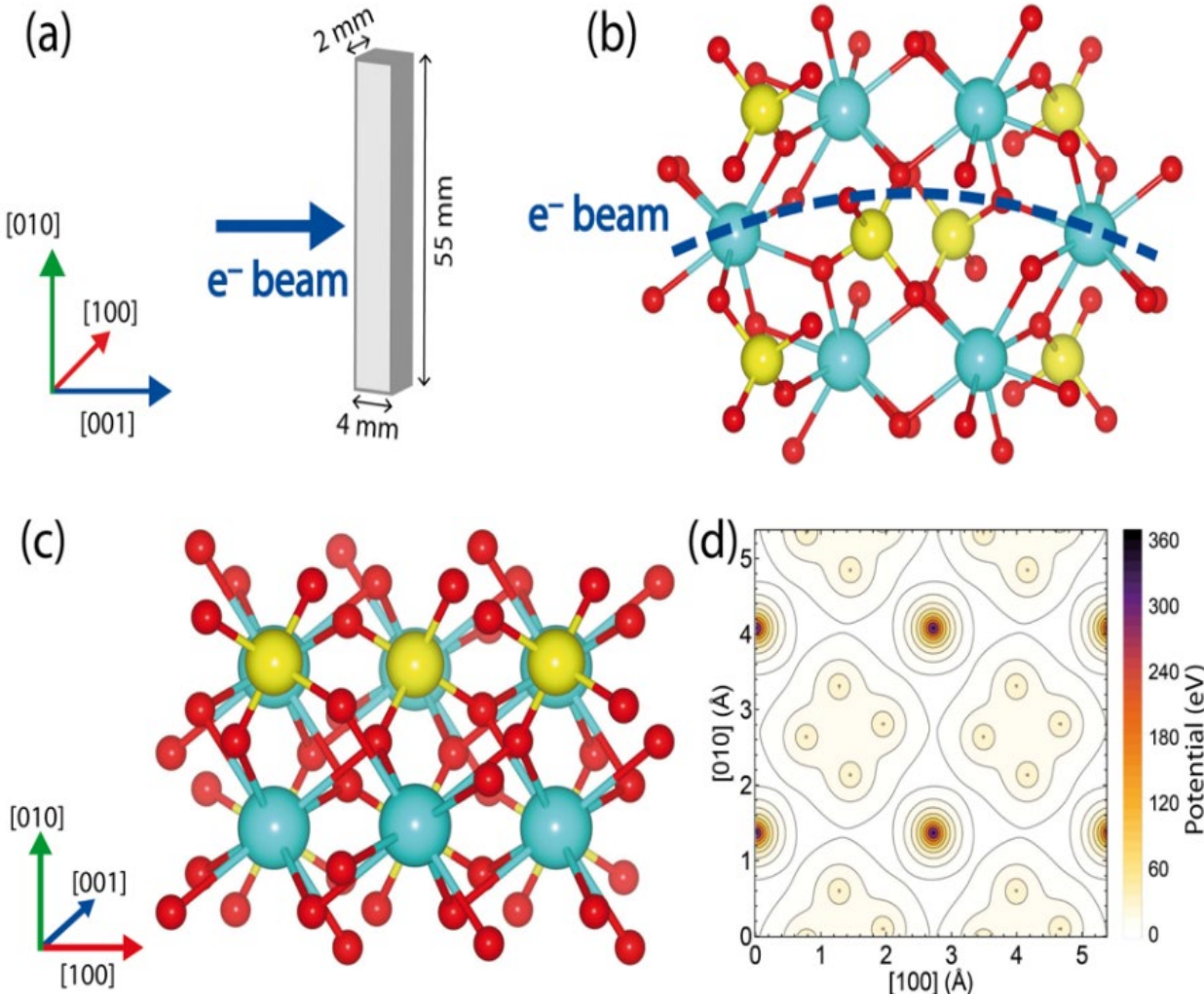
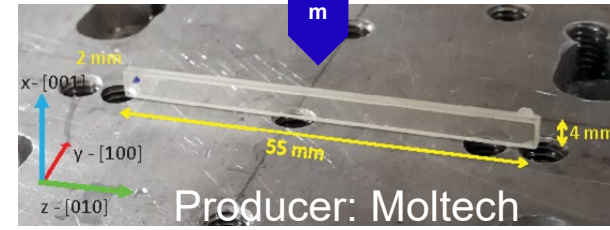
N.B. Within ELIOT and STORM experiments, several scintillator (PWO, BGO, CsI, YAG) and a Cerenkov (PbF2) crystals has been tested. All the tests demonstrated an increase in the electromagnetic processes even at sub-GeV energies (experiment at MAMI in Germany)

Status of the investigation

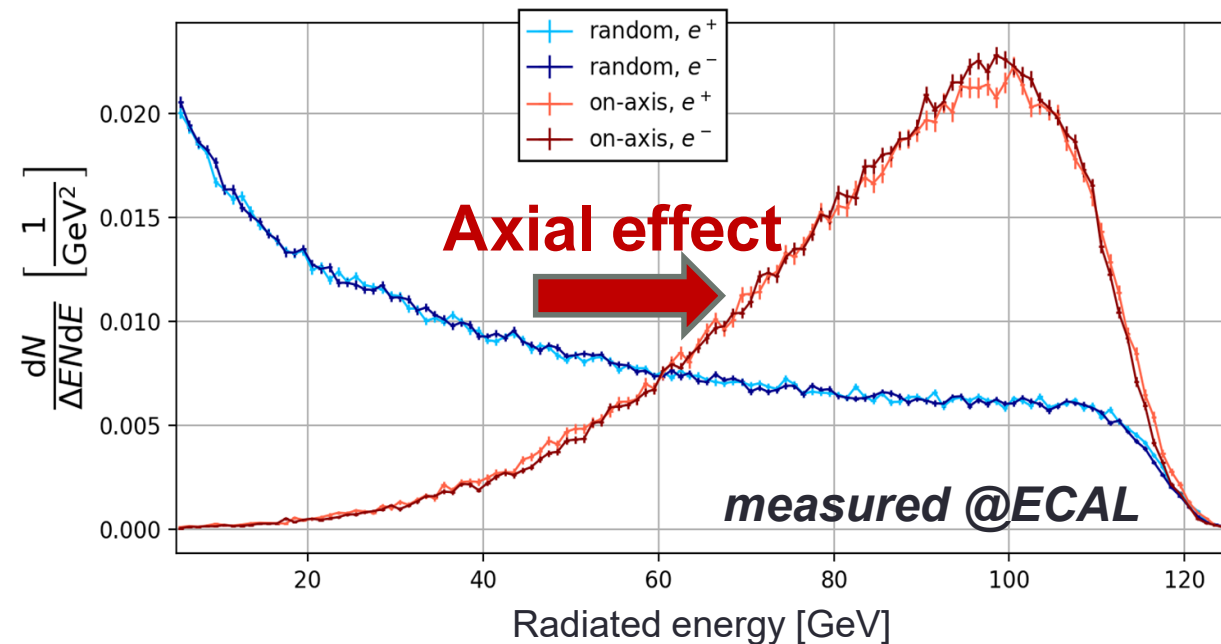
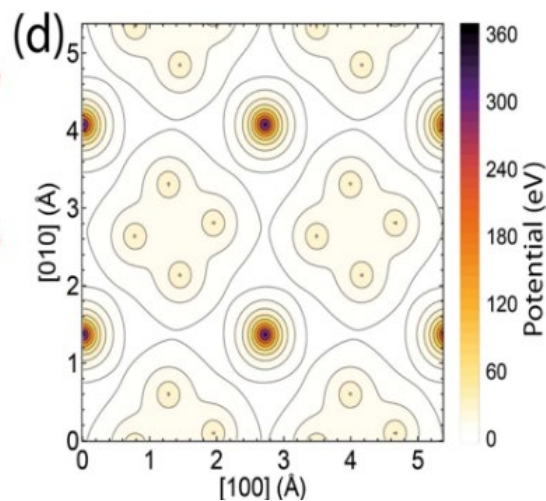
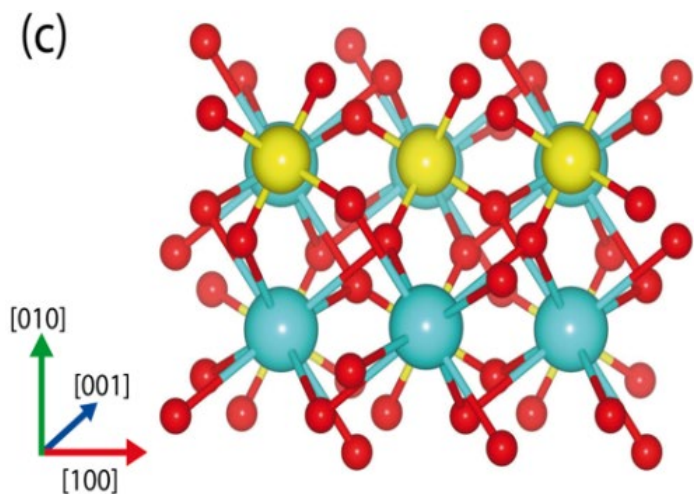
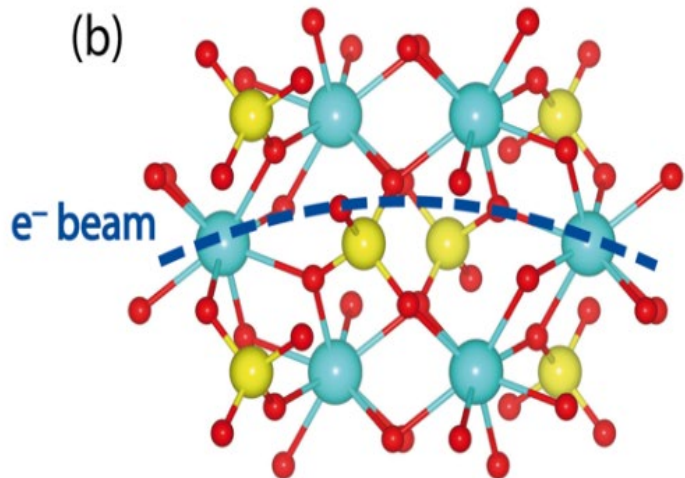
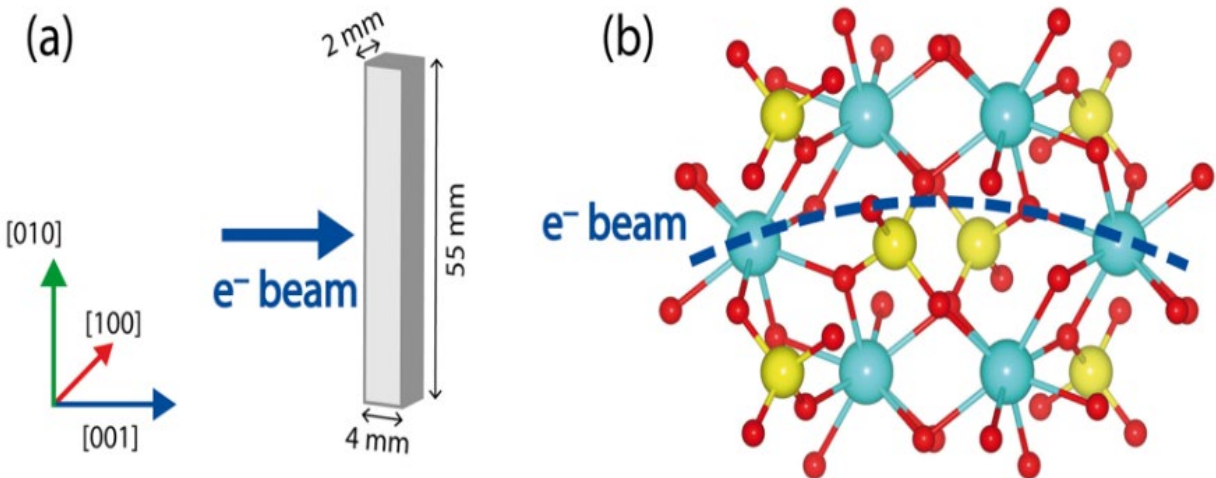
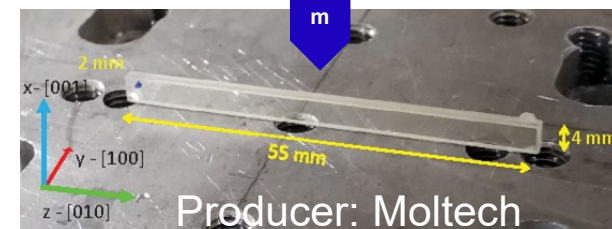
Different tests with **electron and positron beams**, in particular at
CERN H4/H2 lines e^+ & e^- at **120 GeV/c**
PWO in full Strong Field regime



First test with a $0.45 X_0$ PWO crystal



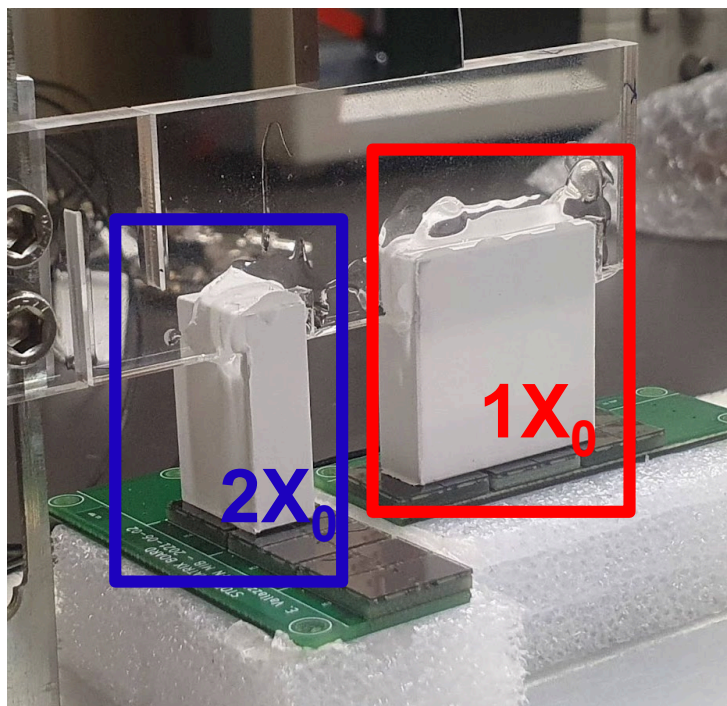
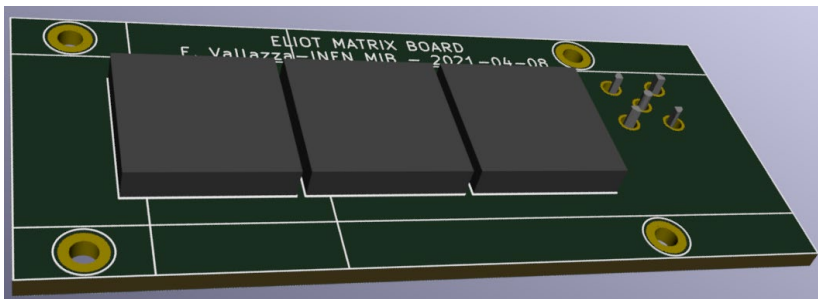
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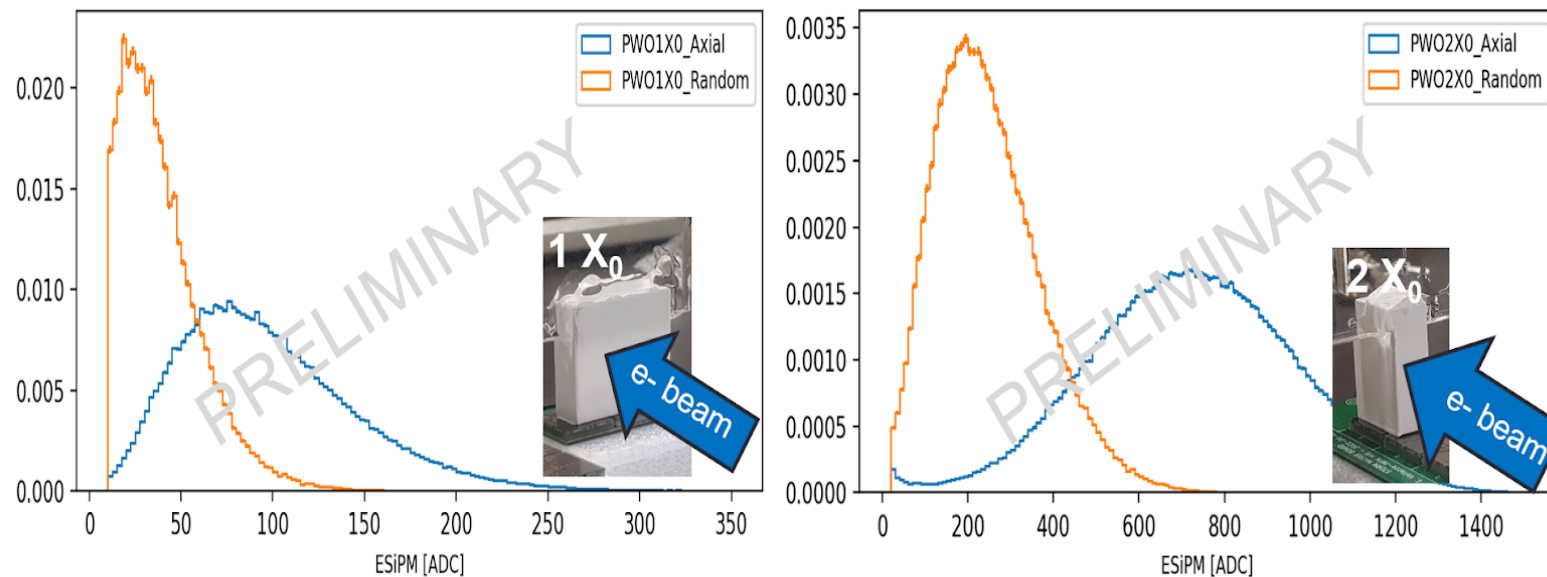
random spectra: standard Bremsstrahlung (Bethe-Heitler) \neq
 on-axis spectra: enhancement in high-energy component
 (peaked @ ~100 GeV)

STORM
experiment

Results with single crystals: Light yield



Scintillation light enhancement in axially oriented crystals



axial / random ratio ≈ 2.5

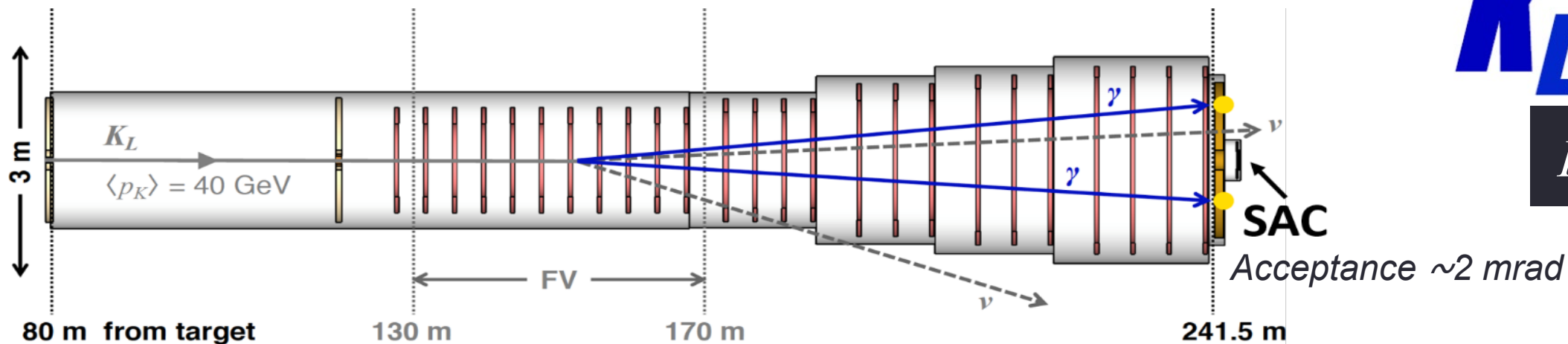
axial / random ratio ≈ 3

e^- at 120 GeV/c interacting with PWO crystals

Good agreement with preliminary simulation with modified Geant4

Elective application: the KLEVER Small Angle Calorimeter

KLEVER is a proposed experiment in North Area @CERN as successor of NA62 in the same experimental area



KLEVER

$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$$

from K^+ (charged – NA62 experiment) to K_L (neutral) → new challenges

High-performance e.m. calorimeter is required for the reconstruction of the π^0 coming from $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$, while any extra photons must be vetoed with very high efficiency!

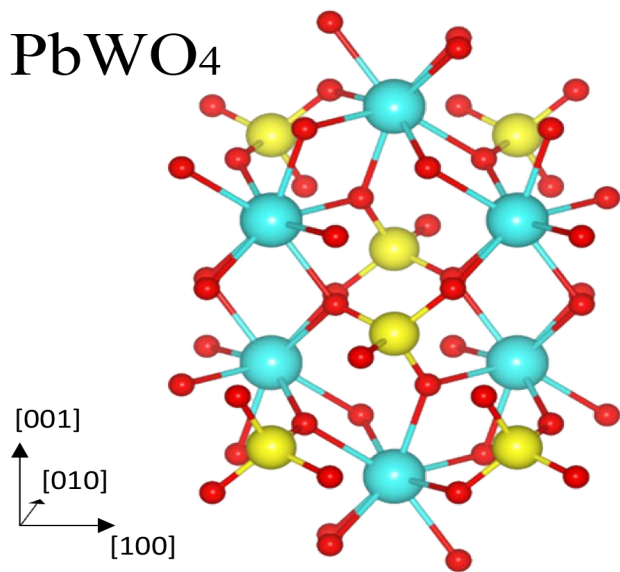
This performance must be attained while maintaining insensitivity to more than 500 MHz of neutral hadrons in the beam

An ultra-compact Small Angle Calorimeter for KLEVER

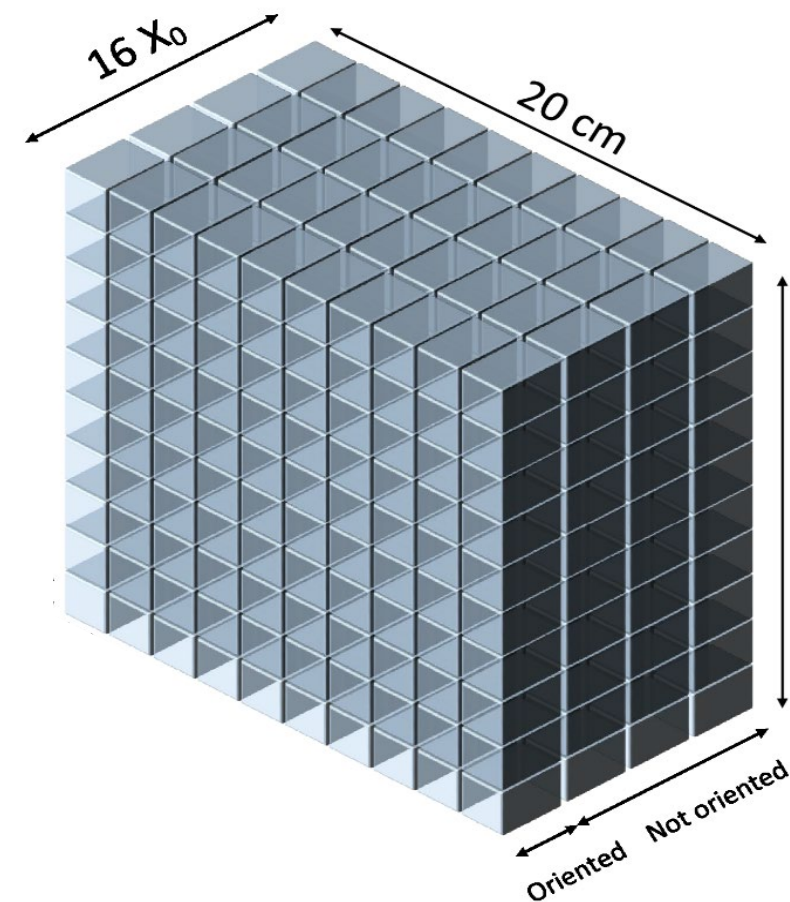
Requirements:

- Smallest X_0/λ_{int} possible in order to provide maximum transparency to beam hadrons while maintaining high photon-conversion efficiency - > **high-Z oriented crystals with reduced X_0**
- Excellent time resolution -> **Cerenkov readout**

PbWO₄

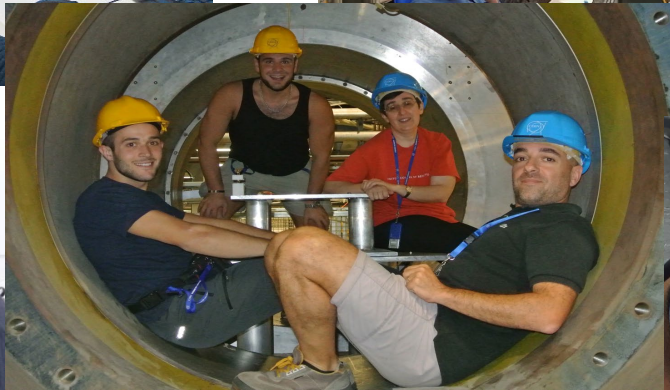


POSSIBLE KLEVER SAC DESIGN



Transverse and longitudinal segmentation for a better n/γ discrimination

INFN Ferrara team and collaborators on Crystal Channeling



Main external collaborations
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ESRF, Kharkiv, INP Minsk, IJCL Orsay

INFN and University of Ferrara

INFN Legnaro Lab and University of Padua

INFN of Milan Bicocca and Insubria University

INFN and University of Milan

INFN and Sapienza University of Rome

INFN Frascati Lab

Summary and Conclusions

We introduced briefly...

- Channeling of charged particle beams in bent crystals with application in the CERN LHC collimation, in experiments on spin precession for search of physics Beyond Standard Model and in beam extraction from electron and positron accelerators
- Channeling radiation with application in intense beam and positron sources
- Strong crystalline field and the possibility to realize ultra-compact calorimeters with interesting application in fixed-target experiments at CERN (NA62&KLEVER)
- In conclusion, **crystal channeling is a tool for a lot of application in high-energy physics and we are confident that new adventures and surprises await us in this exciting research field!**

THANK YOU FOR THE ATTENTION!
