

# Radiation Damage and Its Consequences



CAS 2014

September 11<sup>th</sup> 2014

*M. Brugger, CERN EN/STI & R2E Project*

**!!! Many Thanks To All People Involved in related Activities !!!**



# BEER

THE REASON  
I WAKE UP  
EVERY  
AFTERNOON





# Why Should You Care?

@ ... **Accelerators Generate Radiation!!!**

@ Radiation (can) impacts:

@ People

@ Materials, accelerator components,  
electronics,...

@ Operation

In this sense:

@ Radiation (more and more!!!) determines the way  
how we have to design **installations, accelerator  
components & plan for shutdowns, ...**

## What is Radiation?

- ④ Radiation refers to “**energy transported through space**” by particles, photons, electromagnetic waves...
- ④ Energy is then **deposited into matter** and provokes microscopic and macroscopic changes in its structure, chemical and physical properties -> **Impact/Damage**
- ④ *Biological effects of radiation on humans, as well as how we treat radioactive waste are part of **Radioprotection** and are not part of this talk!*
- ④ Here **we will focus on challenges we face everyday with radiation in the design, operation and optimization of accelerators and their components**



# Overview

- ④ **Why do you (or should you) care about Radiation Damage?**
- ④ **Quantities of concern**
- ④ **Radiation Environment**
- ④ **Radiation Effects & Failure/Damage Consequences**
- ④ **Mitigation Measures**
- ④ **Along the way: a few things you should remember**



**DON'T PANIC**

©2004 BUENA VISTA PICTURES DISTRIBUTION

**RADIATION DAMAGE**

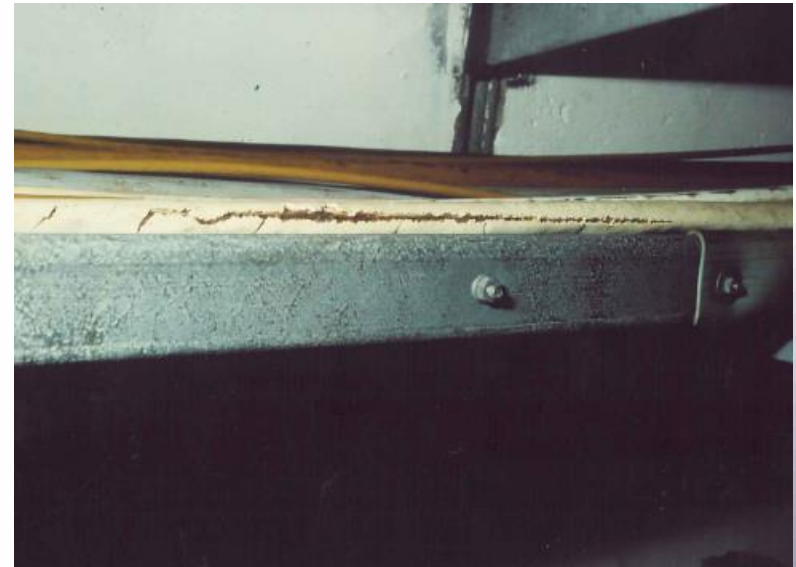
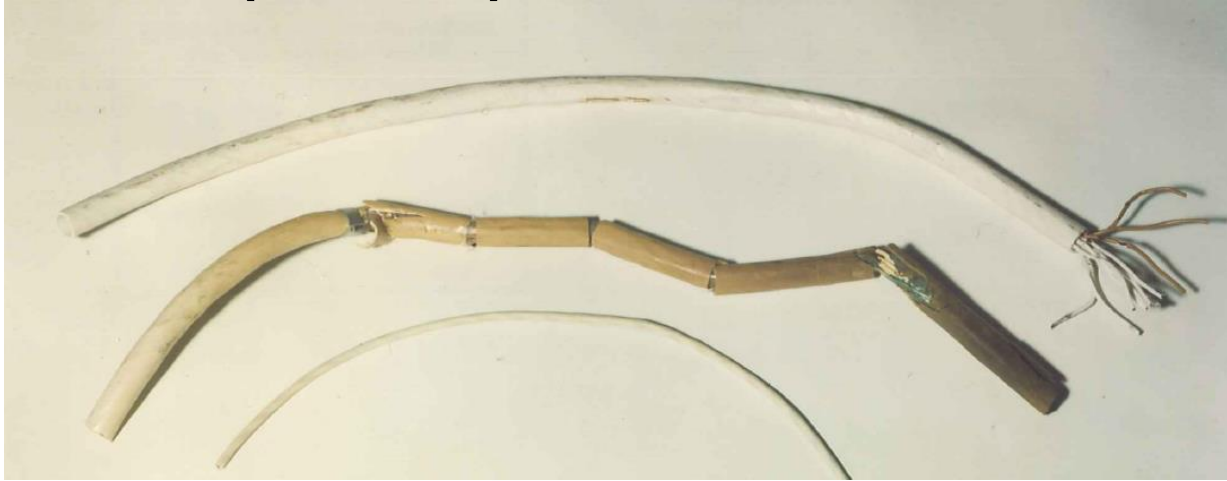
DON'T LEAVE EARTH WITHOUT IT  
NOW PLAYING!

©2005 Touchstone Pictures. All Rights Reserved.



# Why do we care

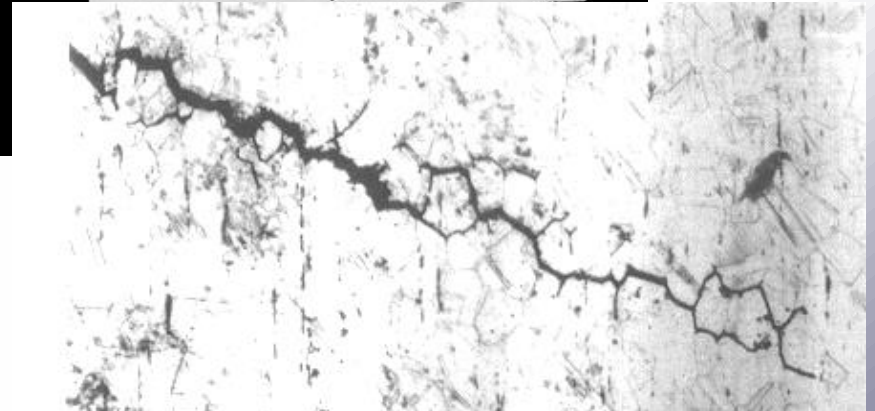
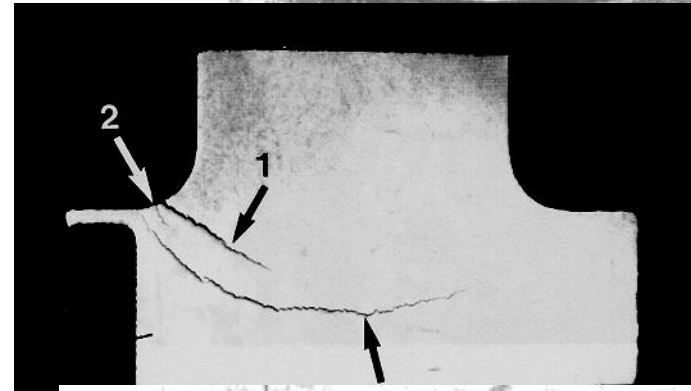
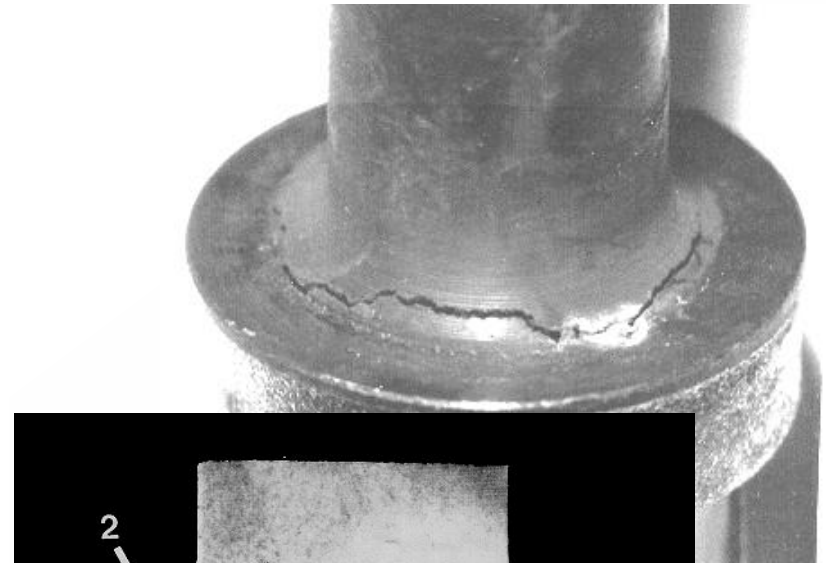
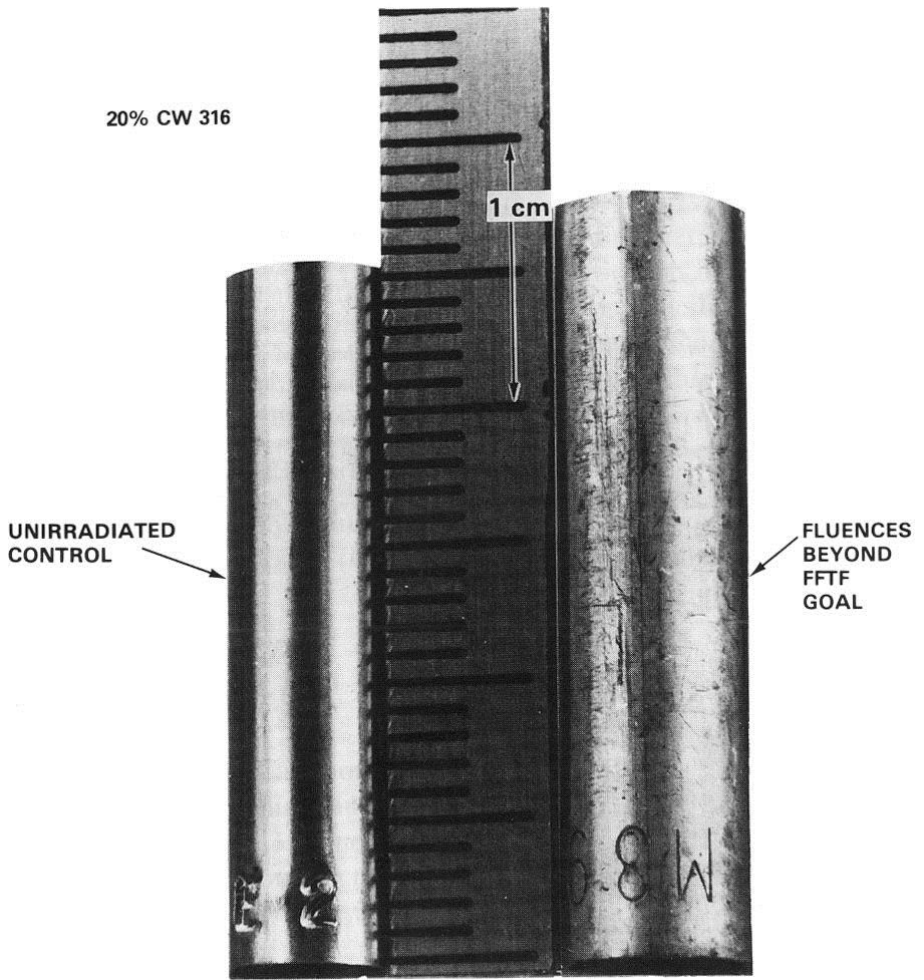
## MATERIALS (Cables):





# Why do we care

## MATERIALS (Metals):



# The LHC Challenge

LHC is a proton-proton (or ion/ion) collider

- 2 proton beams at 7 TeV of  $3 \times 10^{14}$  p<sup>+</sup> each
- Stored for 10-20 hours in collision
- Total stored energy of **0.7 GJ**  
Sufficient to melt **1 ton of Cu**
- ~5000 superconducting magnets

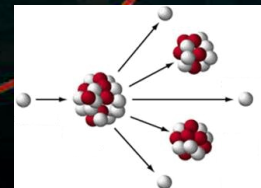


Destroyer



□ Tiny fractions (few mJ) of the stored beam suffice to **quench a superconducting LHC magnet** or even to **destroy parts of the accelerators.**

□ Single particles can impact essential electronics and **stop operation**







# Beam Induced Damage

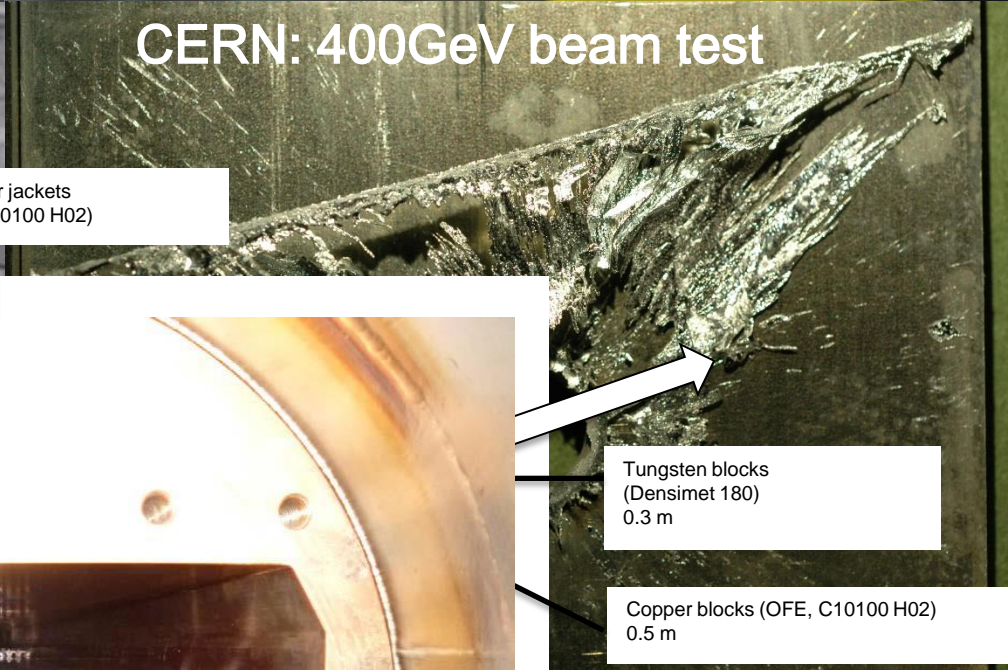
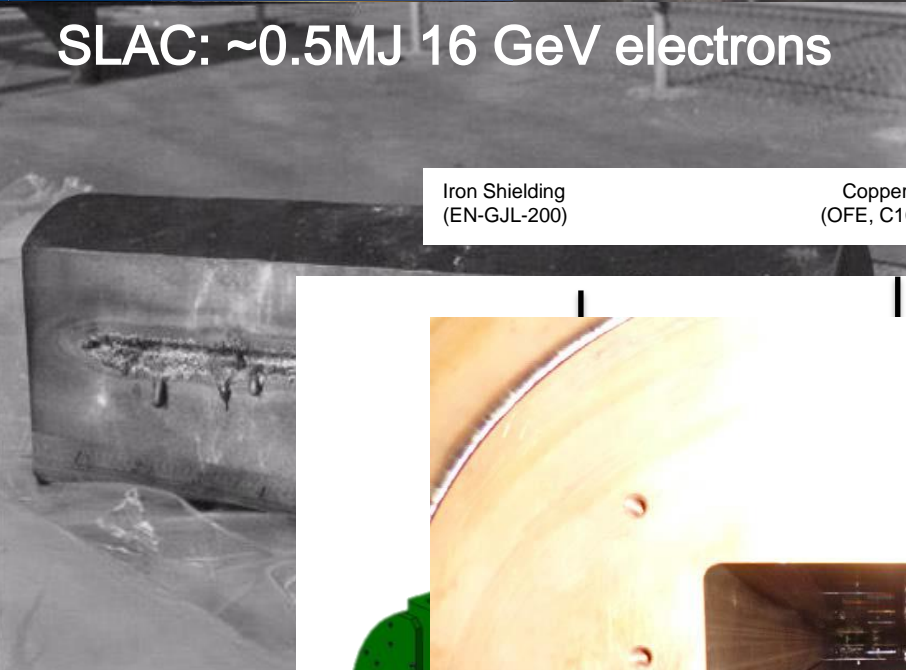


SLAC: ~0.5MJ 16 GeV electrons

CERN: 400GeV beam test

Iron Shielding  
(EN-GJL-200)

Copper jackets  
(OFE, C10100 H02)

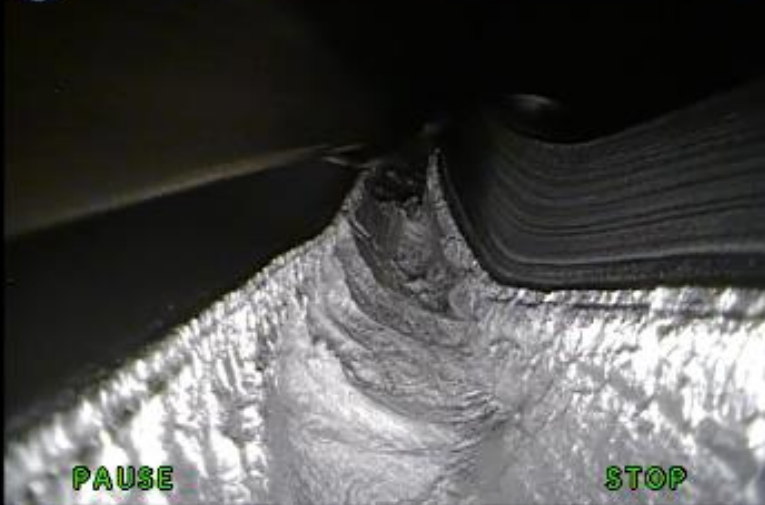


Tungsten blocks  
(Densimet 180)  
0.3 m

Copper blocks (OFE, C10100 H02)  
0.5 m



13:36 08/07/2014

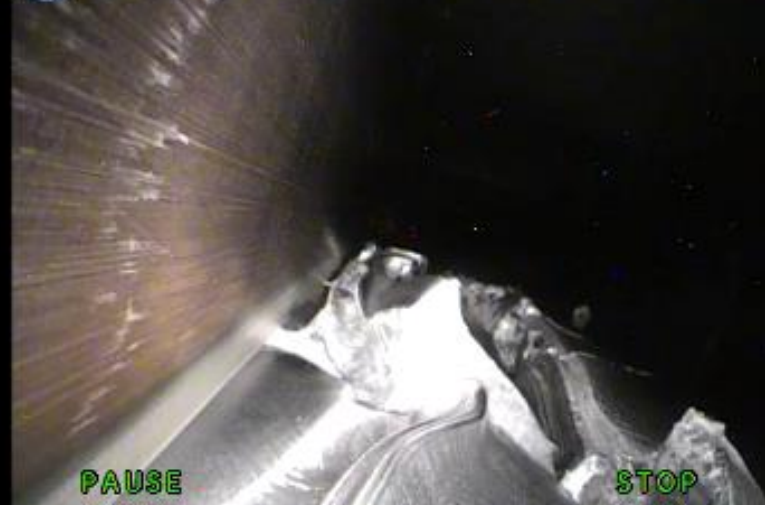


PAUSE

STOP



13:35 08/07/2014



PAUSE

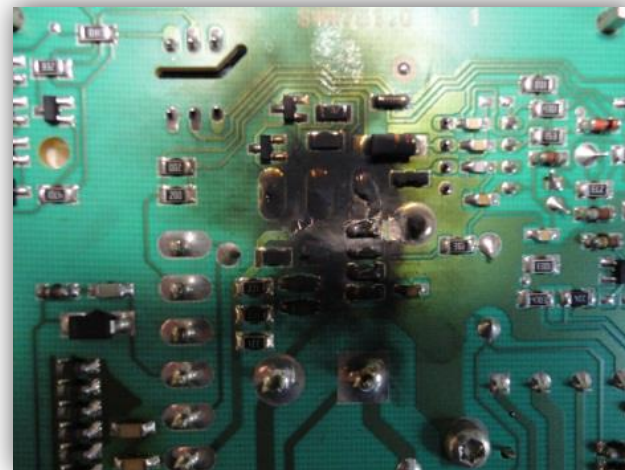
STOP



## Vacuum system PLC (LHC\_UJ76)

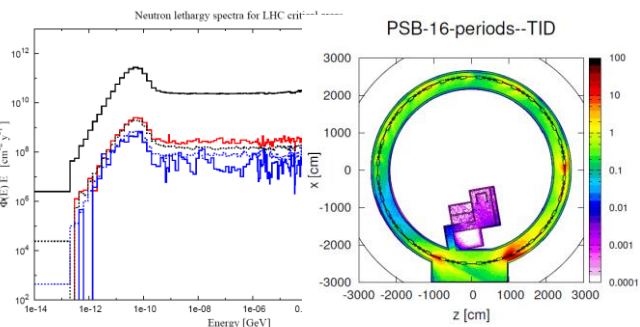


P. Supply 24VDC 5A



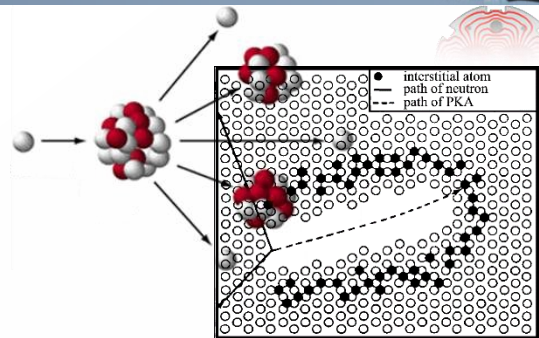
- @ Beam Intercepting Devices  
(Collimators, Scrapers, Dumps, etc.)
- @ Magnets (Insulators, etc.)
- @ Other beam-line elements
- @ Cables and optical Fibres
- @ Electronics (components & systems)
- @ Super-Conducting  
magnets/links/cavities/etc.
- @ ...
- @ All exposed parts at varying radiation levels

# What Do We Need?



## Calculations

**Materials & Components**



**Radiation Environment**

**Radiation Effects & Physics**

**Sound & Save Design**

**Monitoring**

**Models**

**Radiation Tests & Facilities**

**Mitigation Measures**

**EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE**

*Procedures, Access, Time*

*Shielding, Alternatives, Space, ...*



# Radiation & Quantities of Concern

There are several physical mechanisms which can result in damage to the target material. They are related to:

- ① **Ionizing energy losses/heating**, mostly connected to the electronic **stopping power**
- ② **Non ionizing energy losses (NIEL)**, mostly due to energy transfer to **atomic nuclei**. They can typically result in displacement damage to the crystalline/metallic structure of the target material
- ③ **Gas production**, mostly due to protons, deuterons, tritons,  $^3\text{He}$  and alphas **stopping in the target**. They can be beam particles ranging out in the target (low energy beams), or secondary particles produced by nuclear interactions in the target itself

# What is Radiation

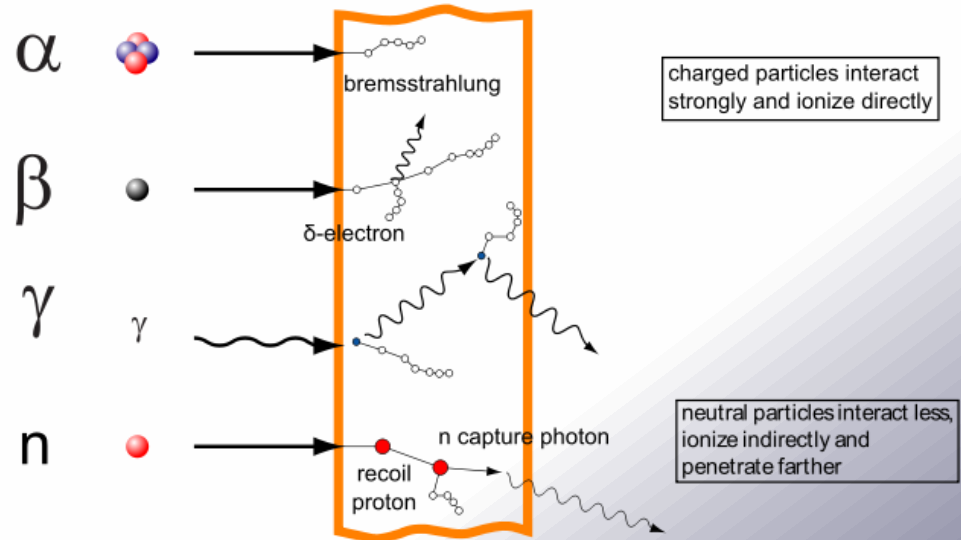
## Ionizing Radiation:

- Ⓢ Particles whose energy is sufficient to ionize atoms or molecules (> few eV)
  - Ⓢ Alfas, hadrons, cosmic rays...
  - Ⓢ Neutrons (nuclear reactions: capture, fission...)
  - Ⓢ Electromagnetic waves (Photons), with sufficiently low wavelength
  - Ⓢ ...

## Non-Ionizing Radiation:

- Ⓢ Microwaves
- Ⓢ RF
- Ⓢ ...

Interaction of ionizing radiation with matter







## Physics about what damaging/ionizing radiation is:

- ⊙ The strength of **chemical bonds** is **~2-5 eV**
- ⊙ Radiation where the particles have an energy (or better can **transfer energy**) high enough to break chemical bonds well enough to leave them permanently broken
- ⊙ I.e. **particle energy > 5 eV or so may be ionizing**  
(since a single bond break is seldom stable)
- ⊙ But the **exact limit depends on a lot of factors**
- ⊙ *Thinking about it: laser irradiation in the visible range is thus clearly not ionizing – even though if the intensity is high enough, it can sure damage a material*

## Directly ionizing radiation:

- ⊙ **fast charged particles** (e.g., electrons, protons, alpha particles), which **deliver their energy to matter directly**, through many small Coulomb-force interactions along the particle's track

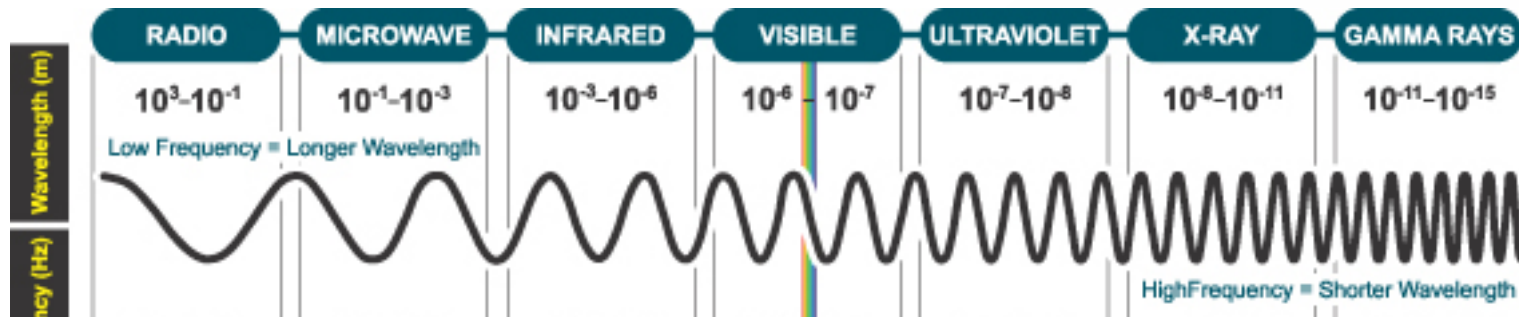
## Indirectly ionizing radiation:

- ⊙ **X- or  $\gamma$ -ray photons or neutrons** (i.e., uncharged particles), which **first transfer their energy to charged particles in the matter** through which they pass in a relatively few large interactions, or cause nuclear reactions
- ⊙ the **resulting fast charged particles then deliver the energy** in matter
- ⊙ the deposition of energy in matter by indirectly ionizing radiation is thus a **two-step process**
  - ⊙ photon  $\rightarrow$  electron; neutron  $\rightarrow$  proton or recoiling nuclei

# Radiation Source

## One Example – Gamma Radiation (Photons) :

- Electromagnetic waves, whose quantum is the photon
- The electromagnetic spectrum as a function of photon energy:



- Upper Ultraviolet, X-ray and gamma radiation are ionizing**
- Terminology note:
  - X-rays photons come by definition from transitions in atoms
  - Gamma photons come by definition from nuclei
  - Synchrotron radiation comes from bremsstrahlung in high-energy accelerators and overlaps X-ray energies



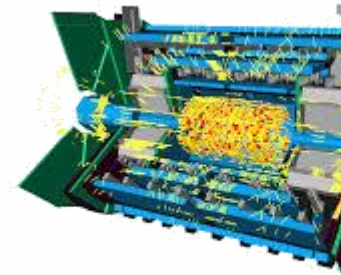
## ☉ Direct beam Losses

- ☉ collimators and collimator like objects  
injection, extraction, dump
- ☉ levels usually scale with beam intensity & energy



## ☉ Beam/Beam, Beam/Target Collisions

- ☉ around experimental areas
- ☉ scale with luminosity/p.o.t. & energy



## ☉ Beam-Residual-Gas

- ☉ circular machines: all areas along the ring
- ☉ scales with intensity, residual gas density & energy

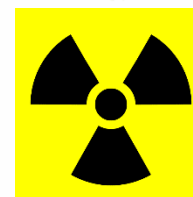


## ☉ Synchrotron radiation (lepton machines)

## ☉ RF (e.g, during conditioning)

## ☉ Radiation sources

(irradiators, calibration, tomography, etc.)



**Exposure is the process when a material is exposed to some kind of radiation**

- ② Measures for the amount of exposure
  - ② **Dose**: amount of energy deposited by radiation per mass  
[units of Energy/mass  $1\text{Gy} = 1\text{J/kg}$ ,  $1\text{Gy} = 100\text{rad}$ ]
  - ② **Dose rate**: Dose delivered in a given time  
[units of Energy/(mass x time), Gy/s, Gy/h, Gy/y]
  - ② **Fluence**: amount of energetic particle per unit area  
[units of particles/area i.e.  $1/\text{area}$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-2}$ ,  $\text{m}^{-2}$ ]
  - ② **Flux**: Fluence delivered in a given time  
[units of particles/(area x time) i.e.  $1/(\text{area} \times \text{time})$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ , ...]
- ② **Activity**: amount of radiation produced by a radioactive sample

# Damage & Dose Terminology

## ☉ Some central damage terminology:

### ☉ **Radiation damage:**

- ☉ any kind of damage to a material produced by radiation

### ☉ **Defects:**

- ☉ atoms that deviate from the order in a crystal or amorphous material

### ☉ **Radiation damage to electronics:**

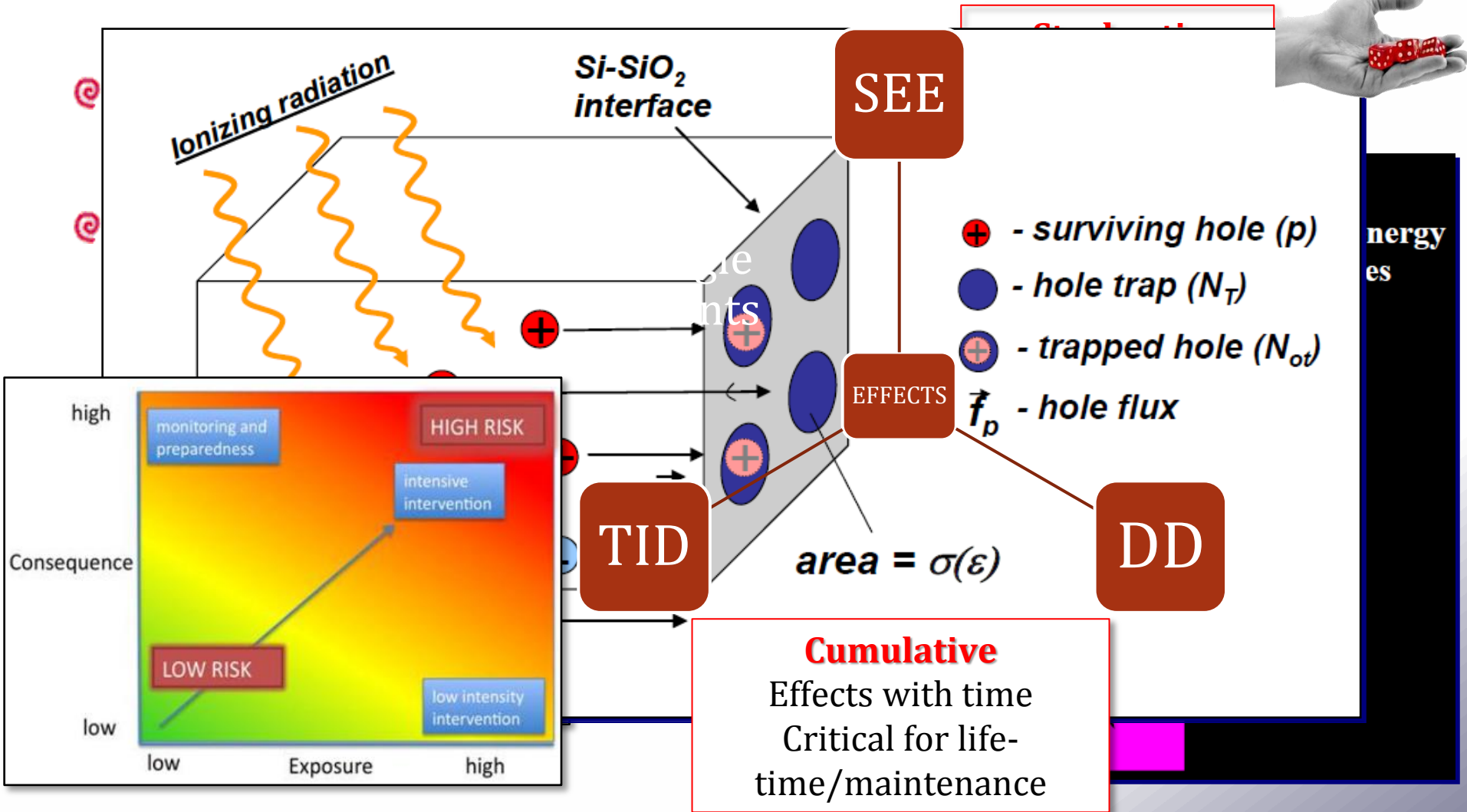
- ☉ Radiation impacting the functioning of electronic devices (cumulative or stochastic nature)

- ☉ **Not all radiation damage is linked to defects:** e.g, amorphization of a material into a stable phase

- ☉ **Defects produced by irradiation have sometimes beneficial properties.** In this case it is misleading to call it damage



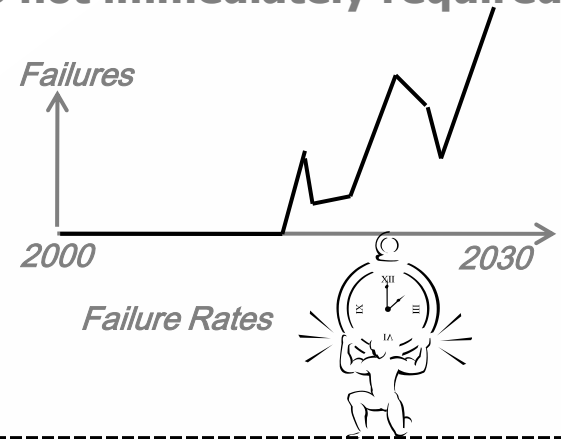
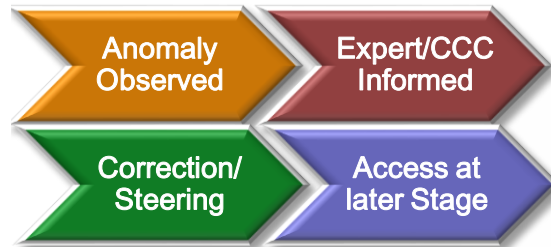
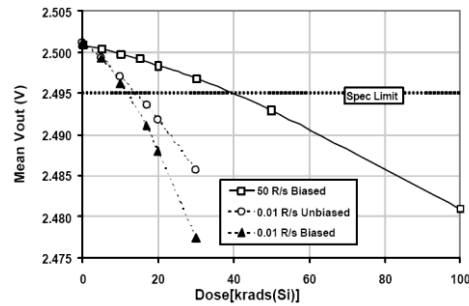
## ④ Total Ionizing Dose (TID):



## ↗ TID + Displacement Damage

- ☺ Devices get slowly out of tolerance (final failure can often be anticipated; access not immediately required)
- ☺ No 'early' failures (due to radiation)

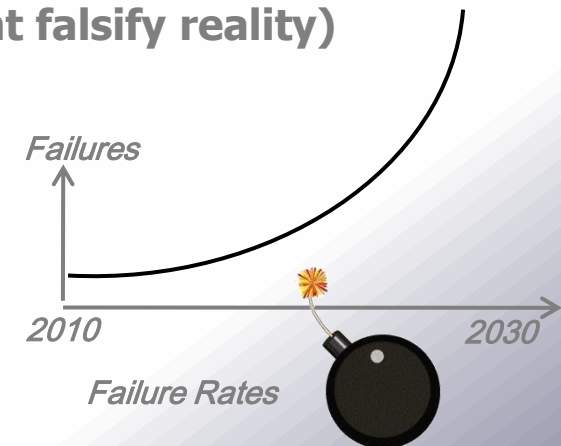
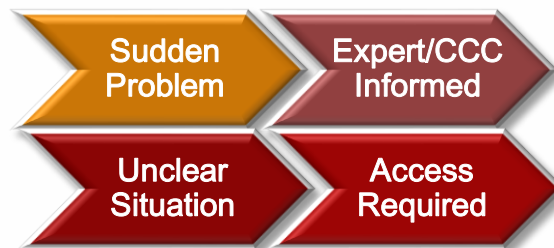
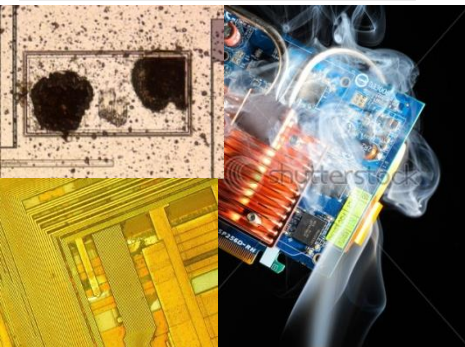
### Possible Scenario:



## ↗ Single Event Effects

- ☹ Failures will appear and rapidly increase in frequency (destructive failures possible; access often required)
- ☹ 'Early Operation' problem (observation might falsify reality)

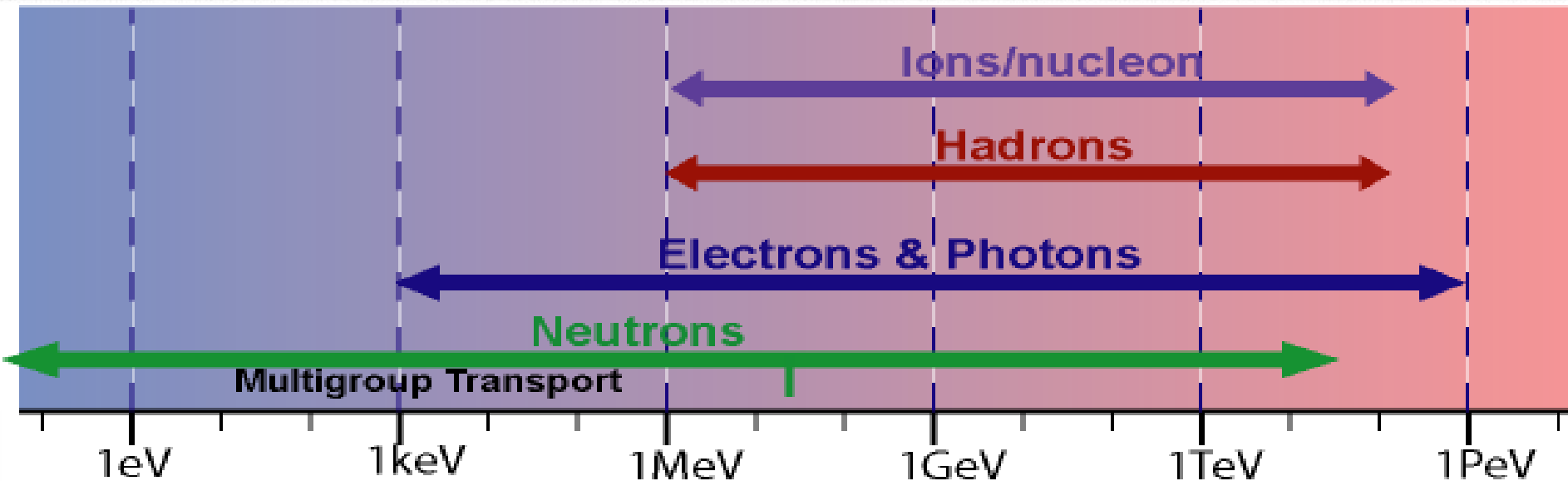
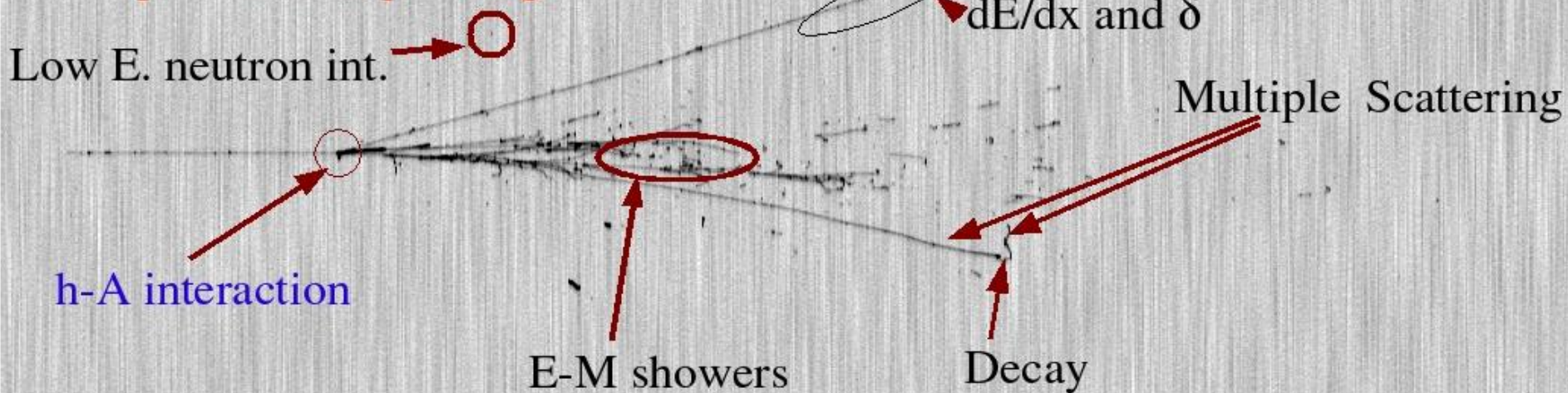
### Possible Scenario:



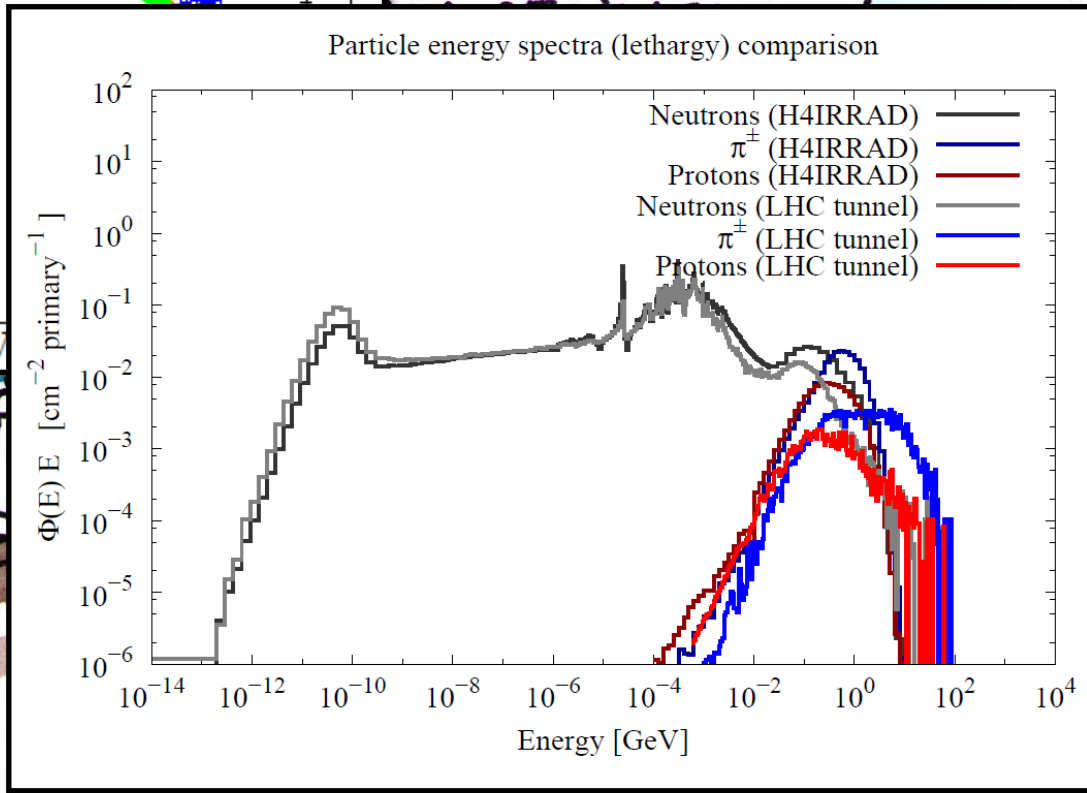
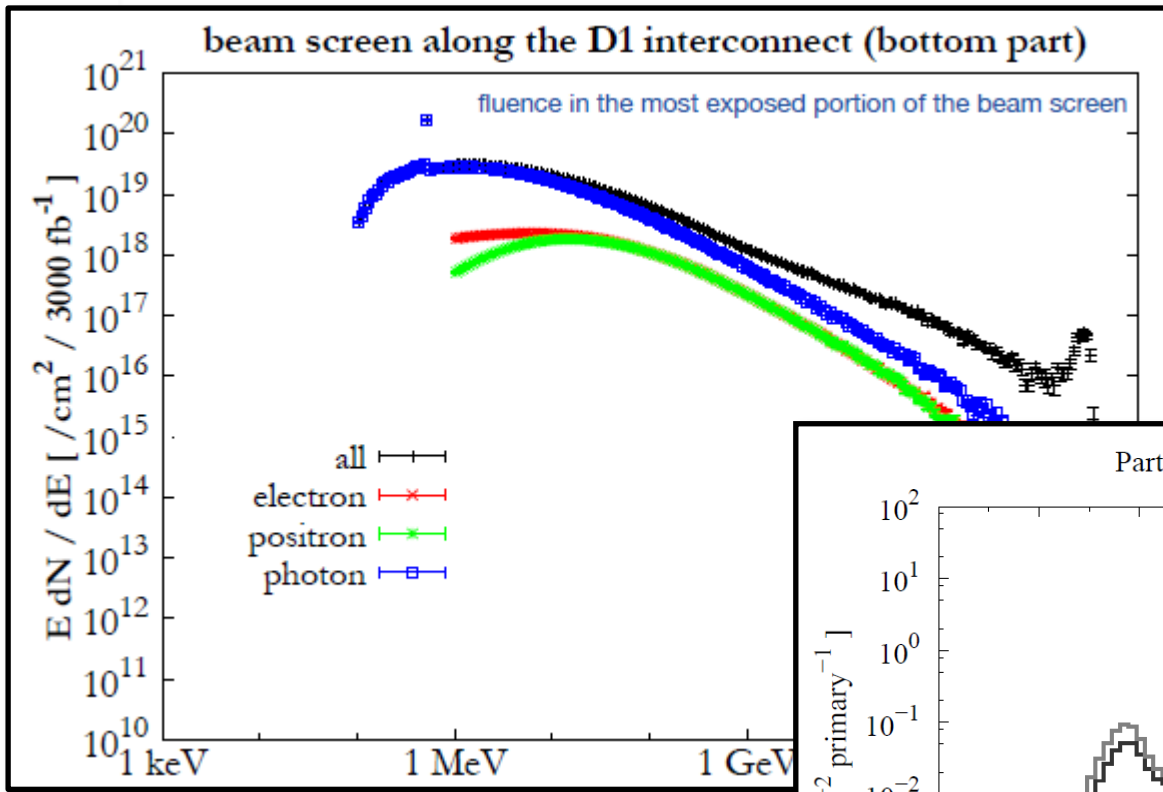
# Radiation Environment



## 6 GeV proton in Liquid Argon

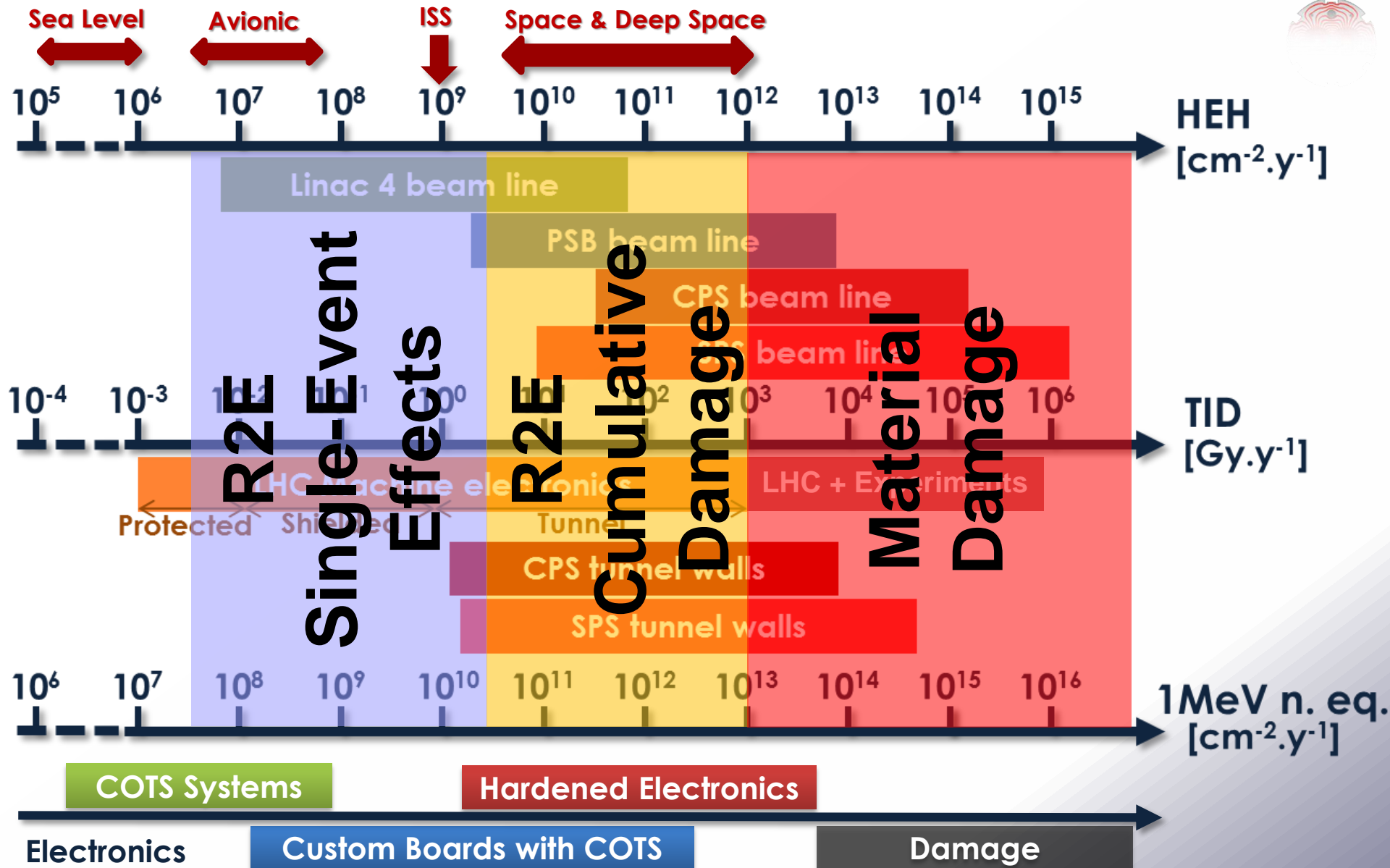


# Radiation Environment

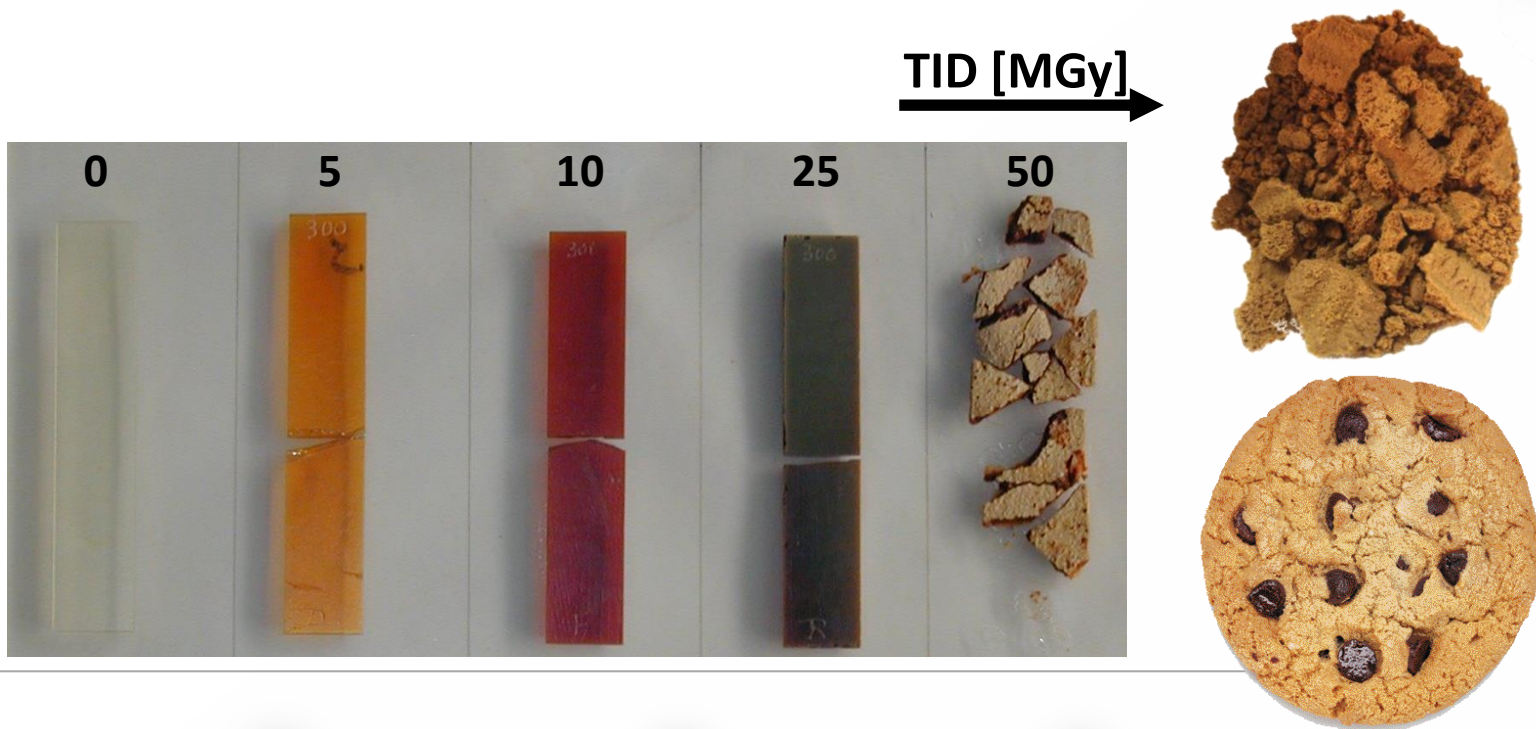




# CERN Radiation Levels







100 Gy



0.1 MGy



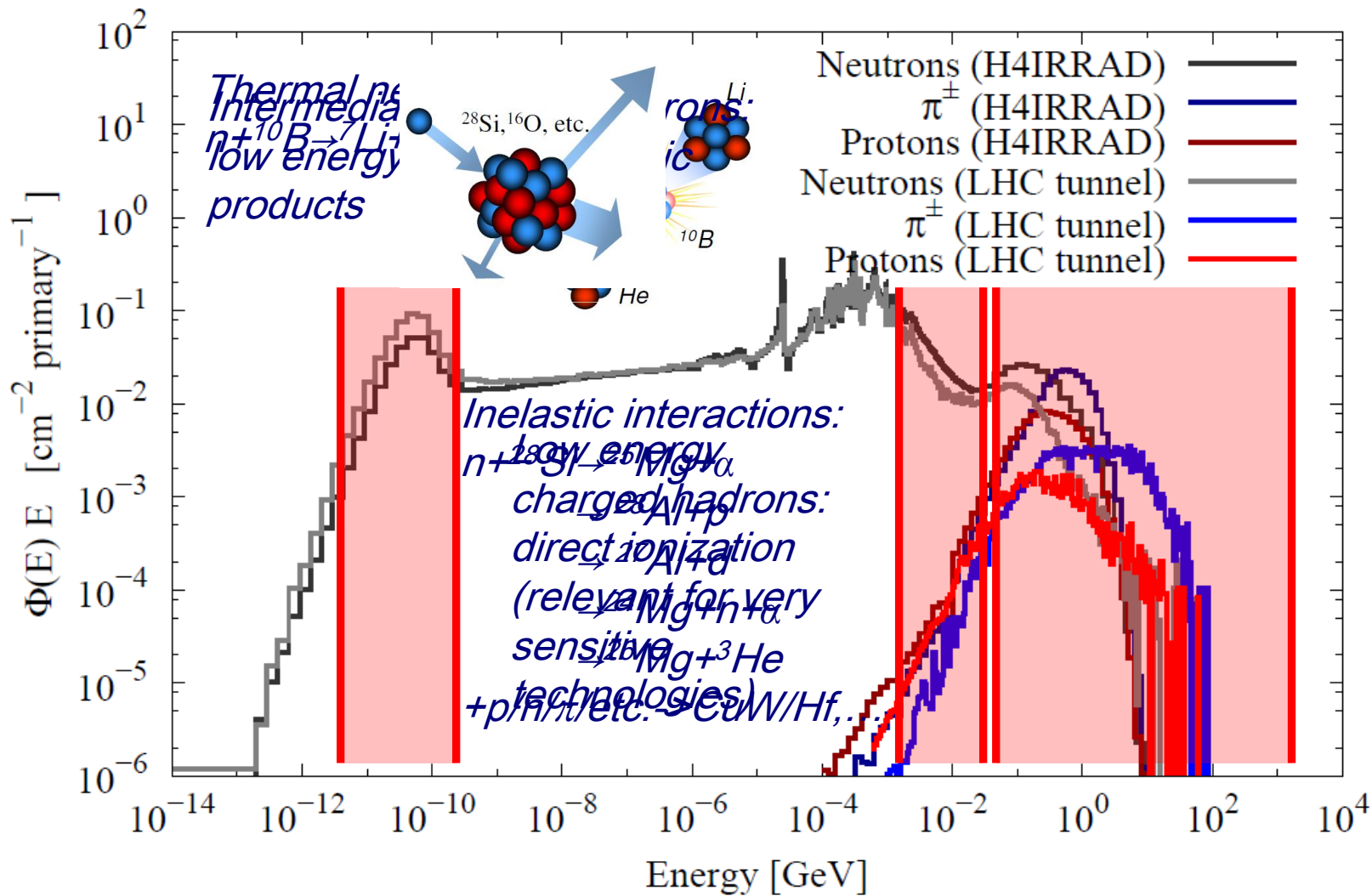
1 MGy



used as passive dosimeters

Cylinders of alanine/polymer mixture (~ 4 cm length)

Particle energy spectra (lethargy) comparison



# Damage & Consequences

## @ Energy deposition

- @ Heating

- @ Shock-waves

- @ Charge creation/collection

## @ Displacement

- @ Creation of **interstitials** through fragments

- @ Creation of **radicals**

- @ **Transmutation**

- @ **Gas** production

- @ **Activation**



# Displacement Damage

pico-seconds

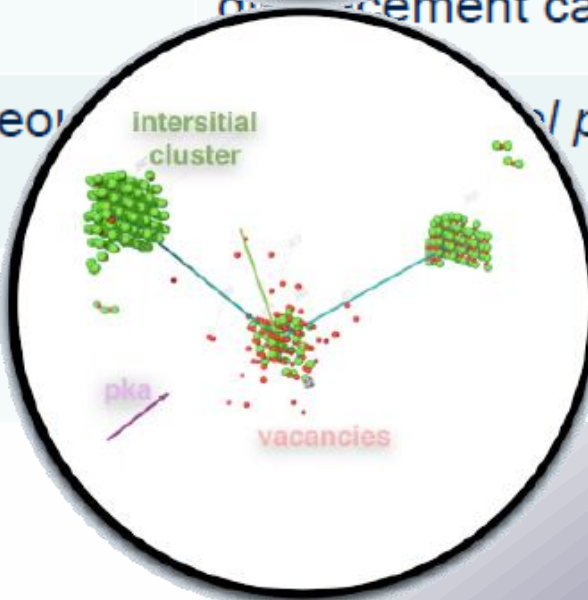
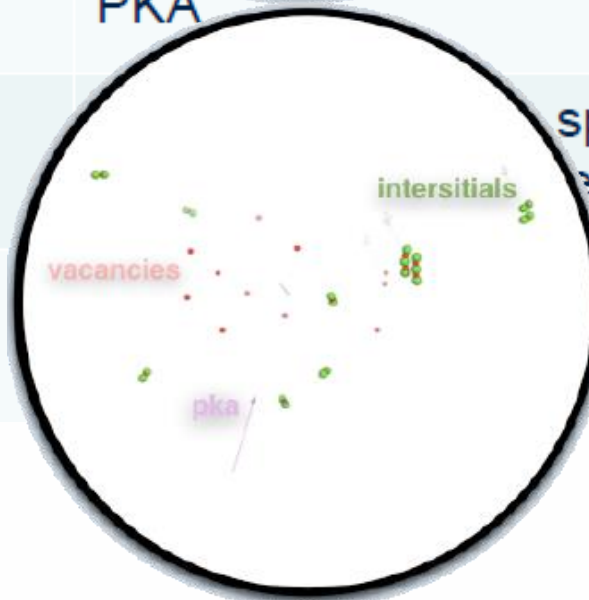
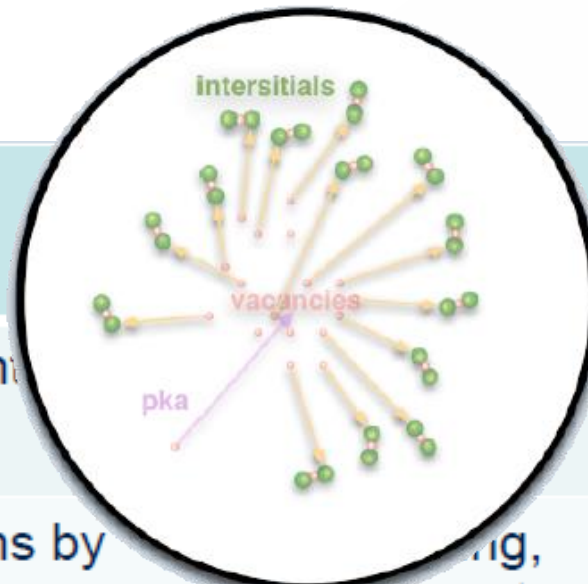
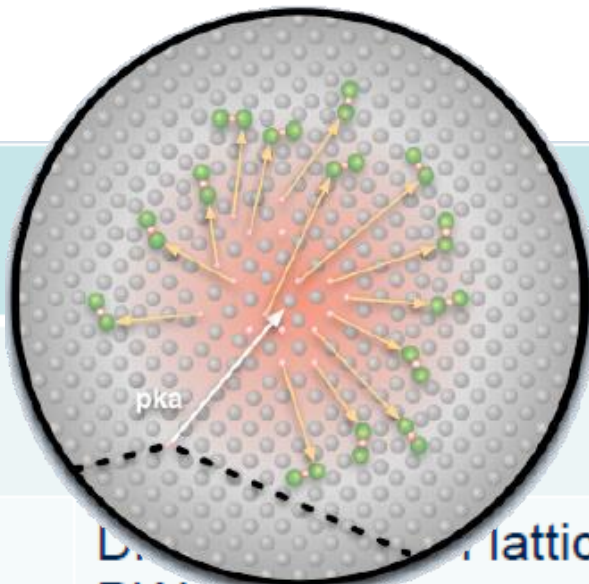
Time (s)

$10^{-18}$

$10^{-13}$

nano-seconds

$>10^{-8}$



incident

on atom

D. PKA ... lattice atoms by ...

... displacement cascade

spontaneous ...

... pairs

defects

ing



# DD – is it Natural?

**Cascades in our life  
(people: skating-ring)**



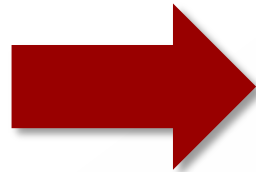
**Cascades in our life  
(animals)**



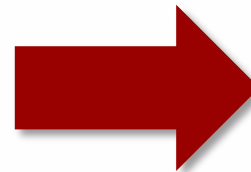
**Cascade under applied stress**

# Mechanical Parameters

- @ Strong
- @ Ductile
- @ High thermal conductivity
- @ Stable
- @ Safe

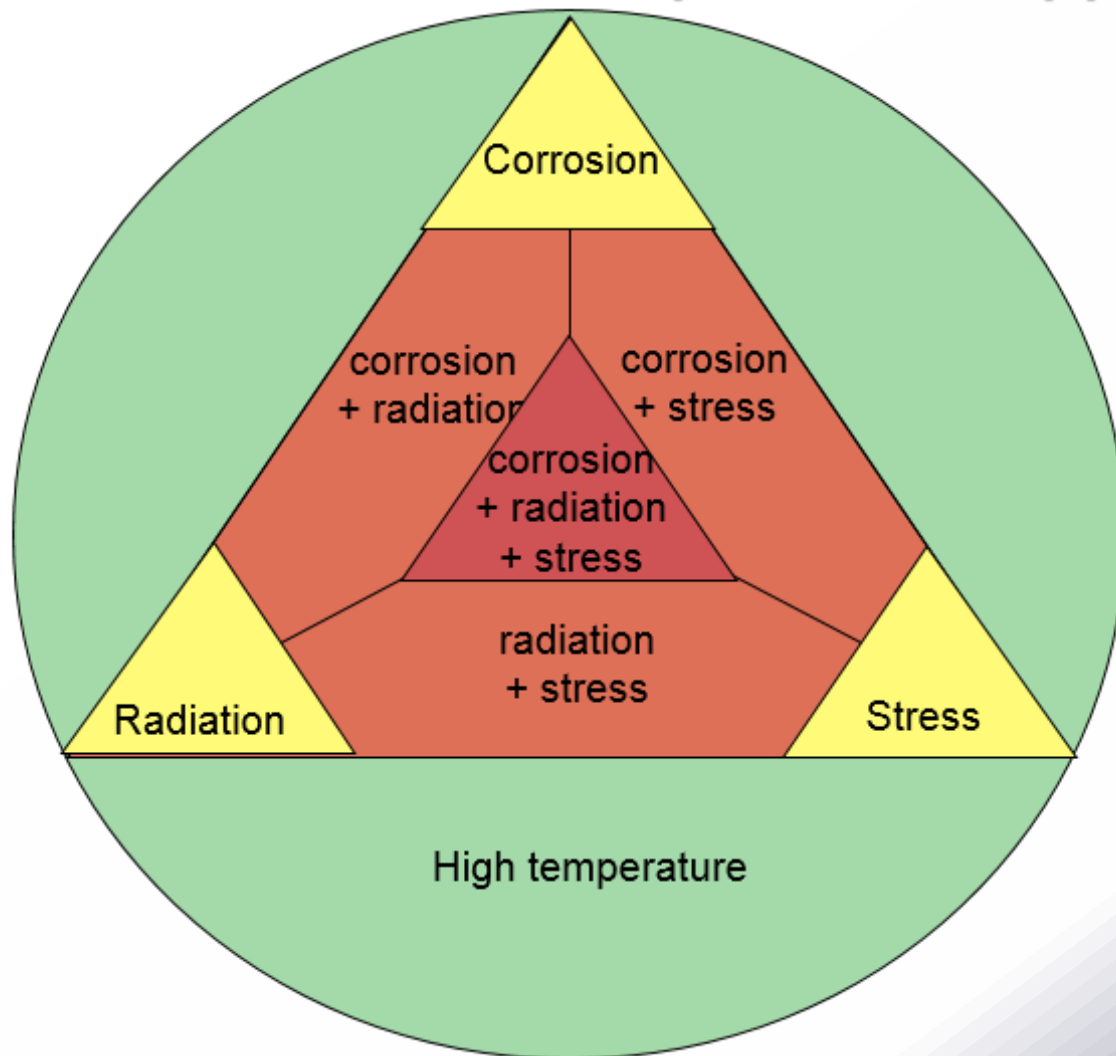


- @ Weak
- @ Brittle
- @ Low thermal conductivity
- @ Unstable
- @ Dangerous





**Radiation effects and consequences have to be seen in the full context of the particular application!**





# Material Examples

## Plastics

- @ cable insulations, structural lamps, electrical cubicles..
- @ **Plastics are organic materials**
- @ They are derived from petroleum or natural materials (resins, etc.)
- @ Contain Carbon

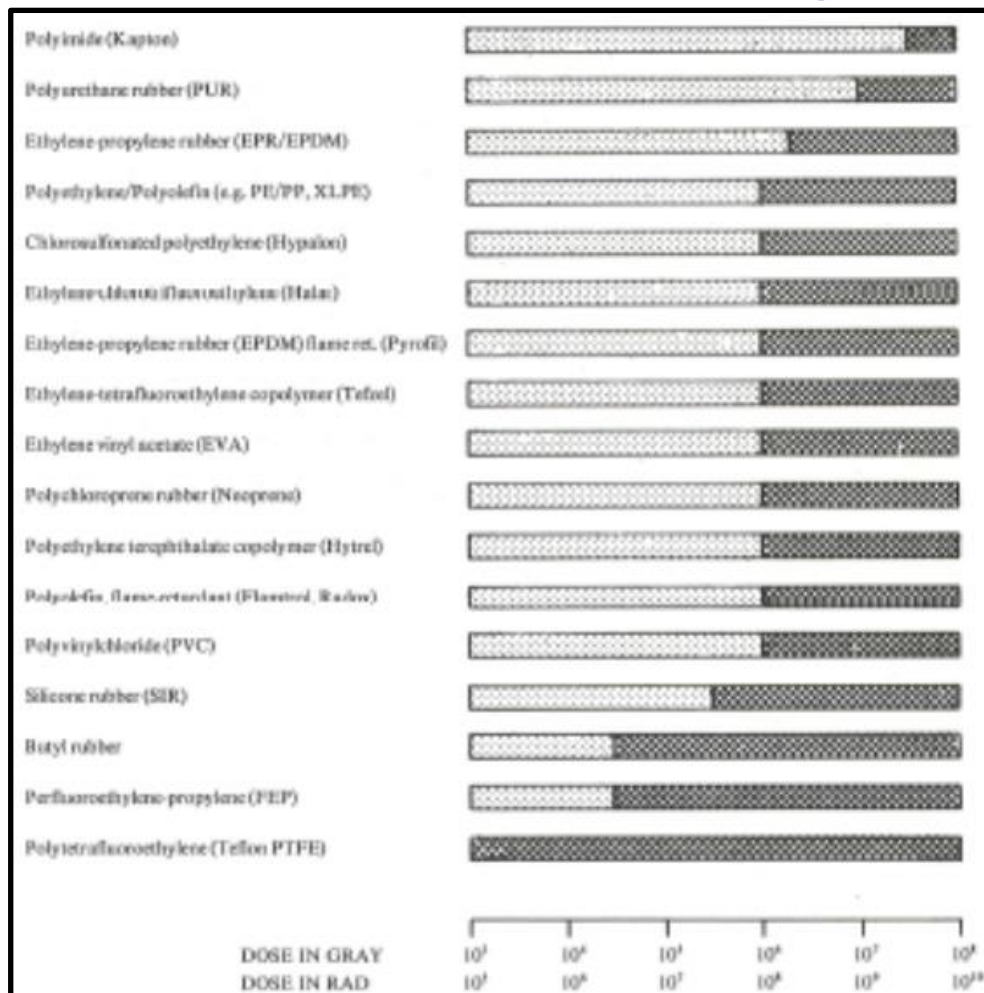
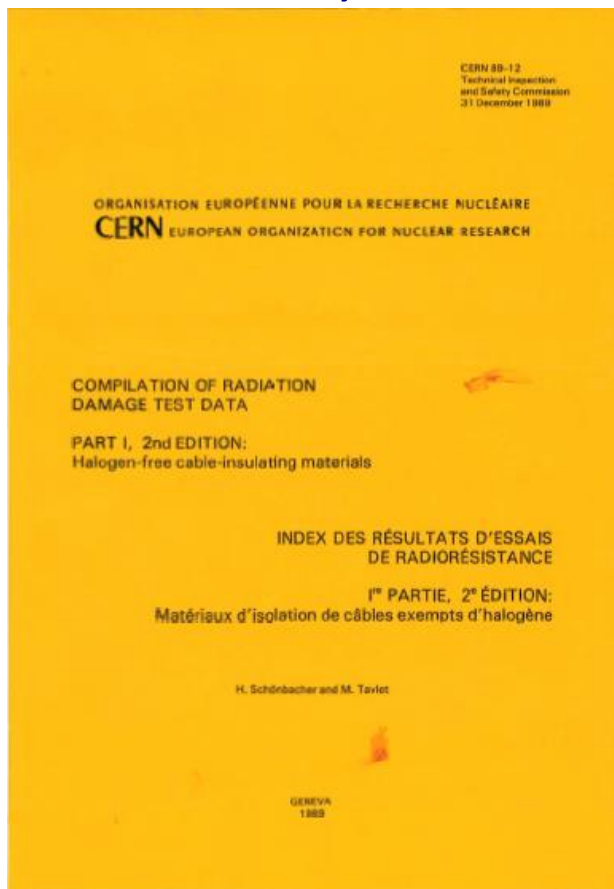
## Effect of radiation:

- @ **Degradation of mechanical properties first** (e.g. reduced elongation)
- @ **Degradation of electrical properties**



## Plastics

@ useful information in CERN's Yellow books (e.g. CERN 82-10, or 89-12)



# Material Examples

## Halogens

⊗ Most electronegative elements:  
easily gain an electron

⊗ **chemically active!**

⊗ For this reason, in sufficient quantities they can be  
extremely dangerous

⊗ Chlorine is the most common on earth

⊗ becomes aggressive and attacks metallic surfaces

⊗ Fluorine even glass!!!

The image shows a periodic table of elements. The halogens (Group 17) are highlighted in a red box. The elements included are Fluorine (F), Chlorine (Cl), Bromine (Br), Iodine (I), and Astatine (At). The table also shows other groups and periods, with Lanthanides and Actinides listed at the bottom.

**What's also needed: -> Moisture**

⊗ Leaking magnet cooling circuits, water valves, etc.

⊗ Infiltration from the tunnel ceiling



# Material Examples

## Two "Famous" Examples

9 May 1985: suspended ceiling at Uster indoor swimming pool collapsed



9 June 2001, a nine-year-old swimming pool in Steenwijk, The Netherlands -> same thing



## @ & at Accelerators:





# Material Examples

## PVC as a bad example

⊙ PVC = Polyvinyl Chloride

⊙ Usually one worries about 'burning' them:

### Health and safety

[edit]

PVC is a useful material **because of its inertness and this inertness is the basis of its low toxicity:** "There is little evidence that PVC powder itself causes any significant medical problems."<sup>[7]</sup> The main health and safety issues with PVC are associated with "VCM", its carcinogenic precursor, the products of its incineration (dioxins under some circumstances), and the additives mixed with PVC, which include heavy metals and potential **endocrine disruptors**. "Fear of litigation ... have all but eliminated fundamental research into VCM polymerization."<sup>[7]</sup>

Probably the greatest impact of PVC on health and safety have been highly positive. It has revolutionized the safe handling of sewage and, being affordable, its use is widespread outside of developed countries.<sup>[7]</sup>

⊙ PVC and Halogens are **NOT** allowed in confined space, tunnels etc.

⊙ **AND with radiation:** Dehydrochlorination is the major mechanism of PVC degradation by X and  $\gamma$ -rays

⊙ **Cl<sup>-</sup> ions react with water droplets and create a very corrosive environment**

# Material Examples

## Halogens

- ⊙ **Water droplets charged with Cl<sup>-</sup> ions** can fall onto accelerator components, generating stress corrosion cracking in unprotected stainless steel components
- ⊙ Few droplets, maybe a single one, are enough to generate corrosion and failure
- ⊙ **Once corrosion is there it cannot be passivated anymore!!!**



# Material Examples

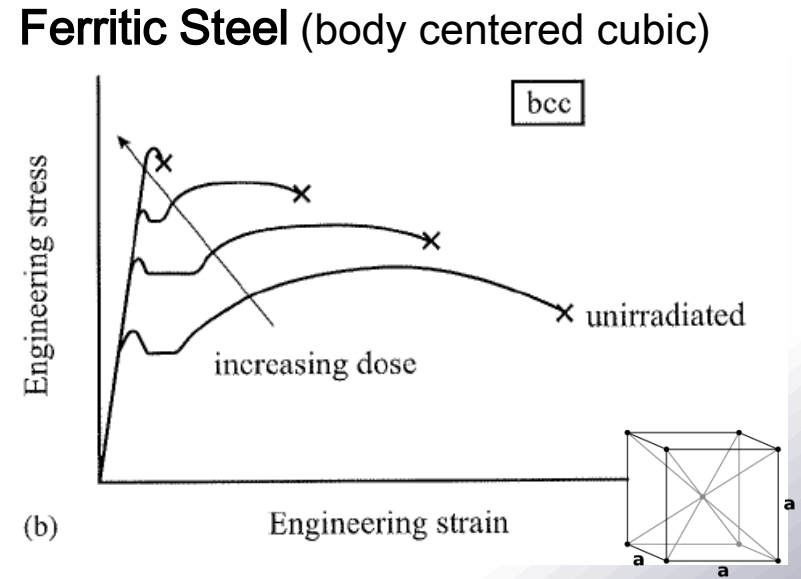
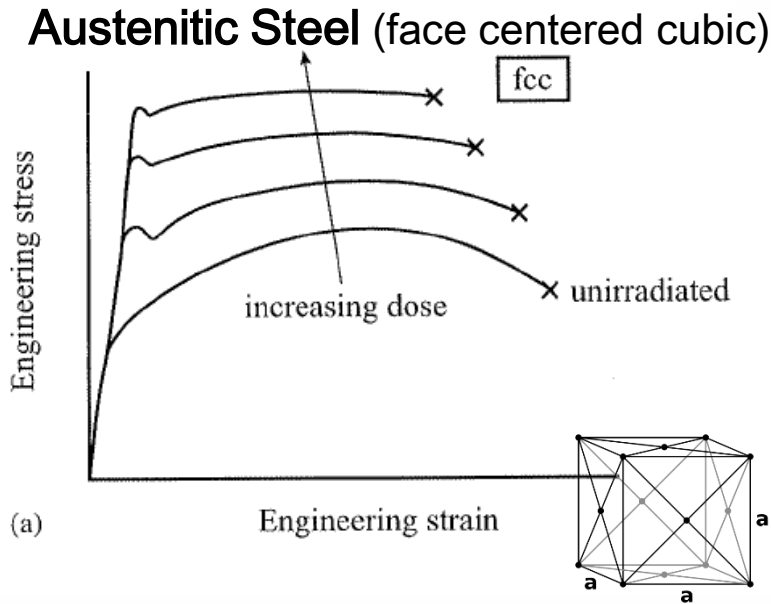
## Metals (studies driven by reactor applications)

- ⊙ Mechanical (macroscopic) effects, are ultimately caused by formation of **defects in the lattice structure**
- ⊙ Defects are : voids, gas bubbles, dislocations...
- ⊙ **Temperature** has an effect:
  - ⊙ **Annealing** increases the mobility of defects
    - ⊙ Often positive impact by reconstructing the lattice
    - ⊙ BUT sometimes accelerates defects  
(especially if the material is subject to high stresses)
- ⊙ **Hardness**: resistance of a material to permanent (plastic) deformation under an given load curve
- ⊙ **Brittleness**: property of materials that break before showing any visible deformation

# Material Examples

## Metals

⊙ **Radiation modifies the stress/strain curve:** yield strength is increased slightly enlarging the elastic region, but ductility is reduced.



⊙ **The material becomes more fragile...**



# Material Examples

**Water** (two effects are important):

## Ⓢ Generation of Tritium

Ⓢ Radiation produces tritium by different mechanisms



Ⓢ long half life (12.33 years), thus in high radiation applications, water cooling has to be avoided!

## Ⓢ Radiolysis

Ⓢ deposited energy breaks the water molecule

Ⓢ  $H_2$  is flammable, may provoke explosion

Ⓢ  $O_2$  (or  $O_3$ ) may attack metallic surfaces

Ⓢ Water cooling circuits in high radiation areas have to include strict control of  $O_2$  and  $H_2$  concentration

## Air

- @ Particle beams (or radiation showers) might travel in air
- @ Their **interaction of the radiation with the atmosphere** generates  $O_3$
- @  **$O_3$  accelerates corrosion!!!**
- @ **Enclosed areas with humidity can pose problems**
- @ In highly radioactive areas, humidity has to be kept as low as possible
- @ **Ventilation has to be designed accordingly**

## Optical Fibres

- ④ Optic fibers under irradiation tend to become opaque
  - ④ -> **radiation induced attenuation (RIA)**
- ④ The effect is reduced by limited presence of P in the fiber
- ④ **Special radiation tolerant or even 'hard' fibres exist**
- ④ The main effect is an increased attenuation factor, which may or may not affect the transmission of data (e.g, PSK)
- ④ When planning radiation testing of a fiber, it is important to analyse the type of signal to be passed on the fiber, to address the problem properly and measure the degradation of the relevant characteristic

# Materials to be avoided

## A few examples:

- @ PMMA (Plexiglas) < 50 kGy
- @ Butyle based Caoutchoucs < 30 kGy
- @ Perfluoro-ethylène-propylène (FEP) < 30 kGy
- @ Acetal Resins (POM) (Delrin) < 10 kGy
- @ PTFE (Teflon) < 1 kGy

Others as mentioned before

- @ PVC
- @ P based fibres



# Radiation Damage To Electronics (R2E)

*“Failures of electronics caused by radiation are not necessarily a problem!”*



*“It’s their total number and impact on machine operation and system lifetimes!”*

- ⊙ Usually numerous **systems** affected  
(powering, control, cooling, monitoring, etc.)
- ⊙ Several can be critical for **beam operation**
- ⊙ Some to be located in “**high-radiation**” areas

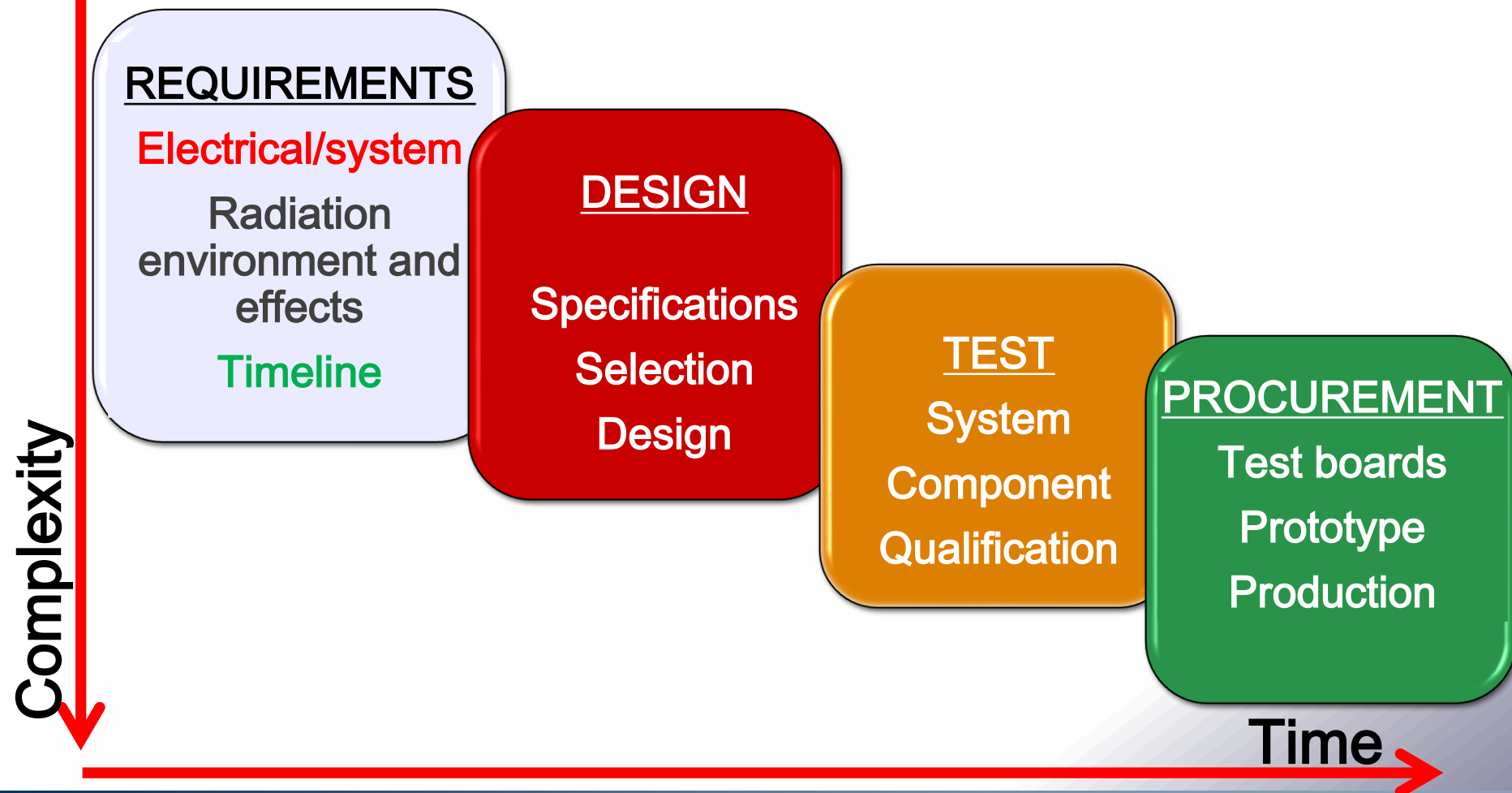
## A few (simple) numbers on the example of the LHC

- ⊙ ~20 different **exposed system**
- ⊙ From a few to a **few thousand units** each
- ⊙ number of parts per (per system)  
range **from a few to a few hundred**

$$N_{failures} = \int \phi(x)\sigma(x)dx \times N_{devices} \sim \Phi(x > X)\sigma \times N_{devices}$$

- ⊙ **Reliability = low number of failures/short down-times!**

- ⊗ Radiation tests is a phase of a new development
- ⊗ Rad constraints to be considered from day-0





## SEE: Power-Converter (LHC\_RR)



⇒ Premature Beam Dump  
& LHC Downtime

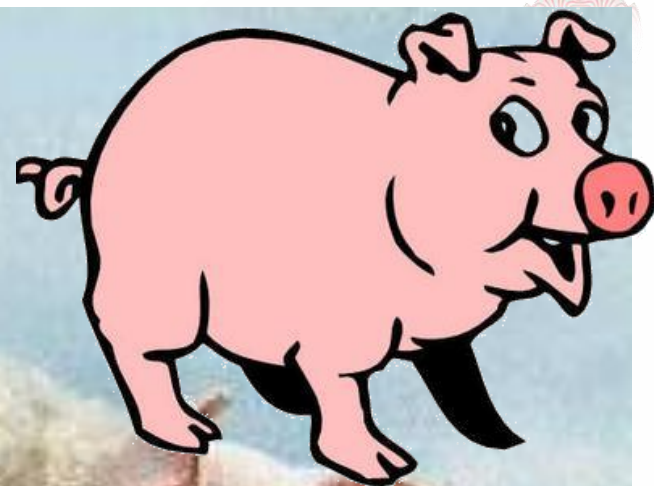
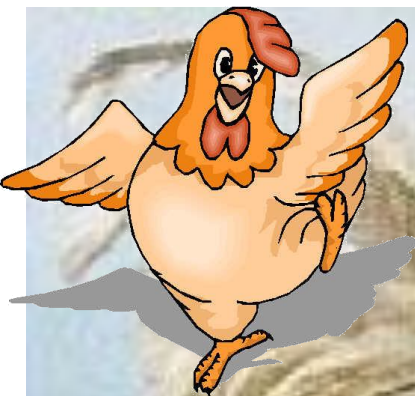
RELOCATION

SHIELDING

# Mitigation Measures

RAD-TOL DESIGN  
& TESTING

~~CIVIL  
ENGINEERING~~



**Certainty: it's not 'easy'...**



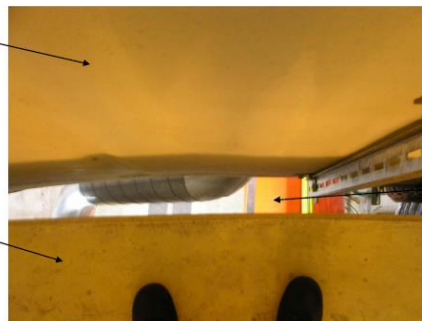




Point 2



PX24 wall

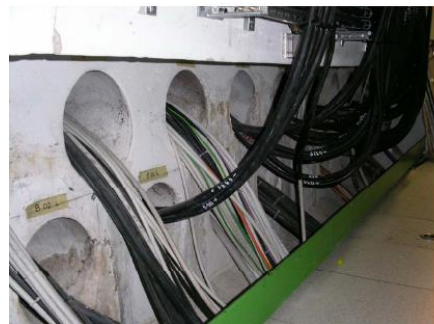


beamline shield

inner triplet



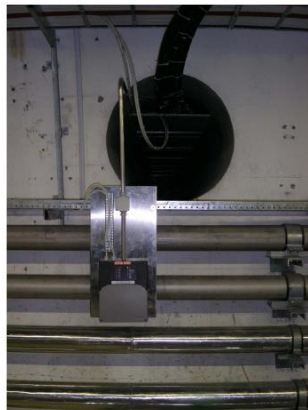
Point 3



Point 5



Point 6

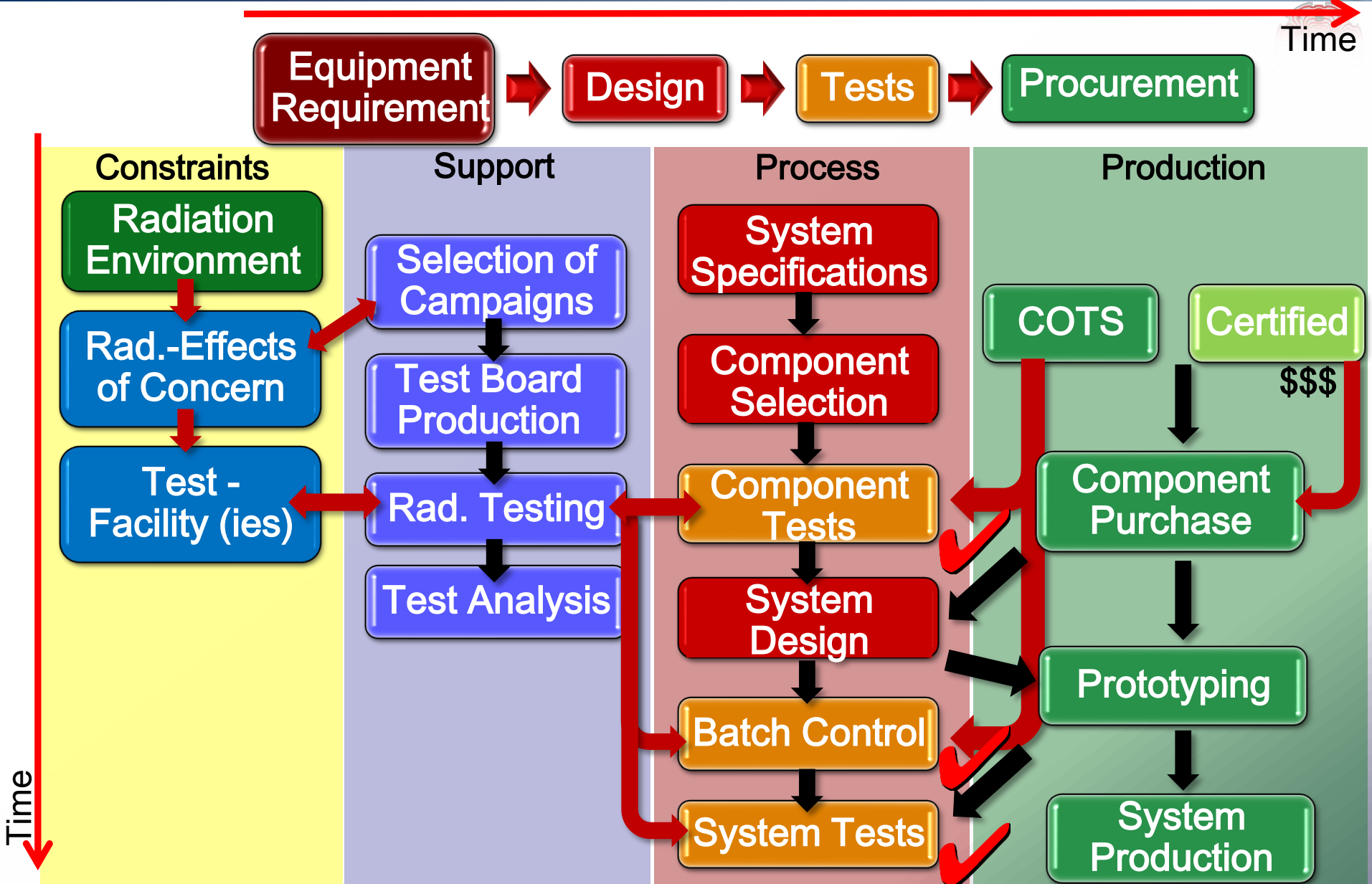


Point 7





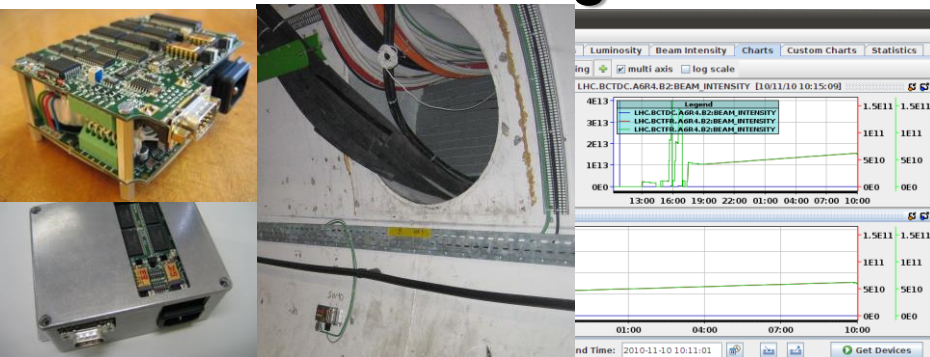
# A (Rough) Map to Rad-Tol



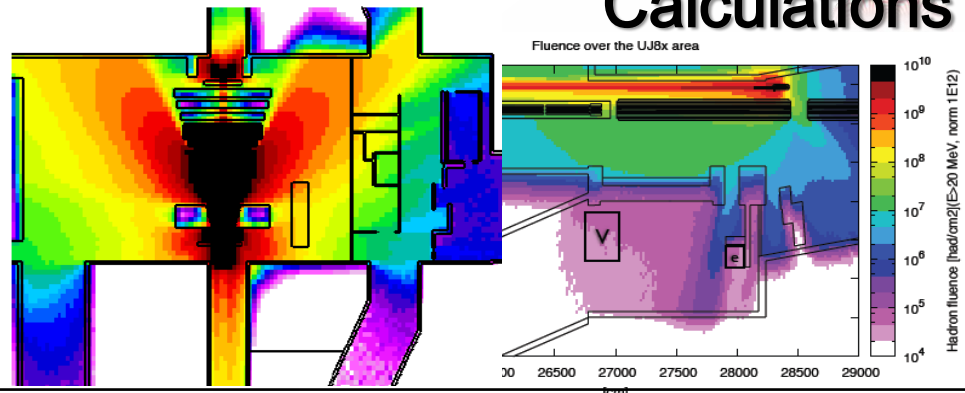
Time ↓

Time →

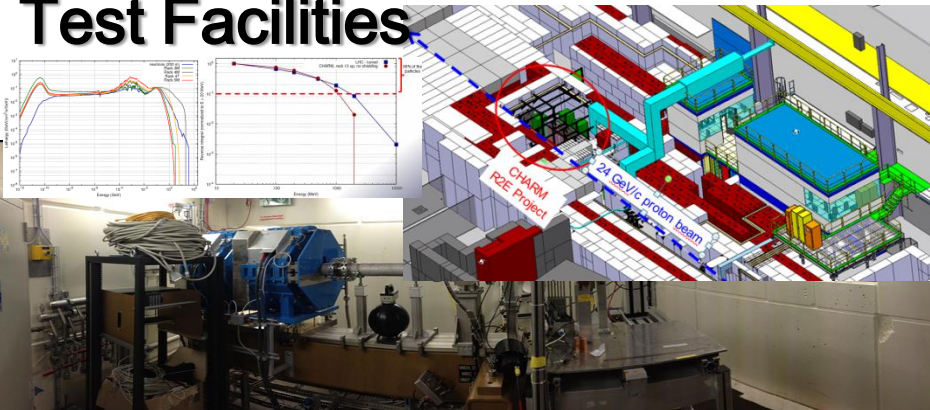
## Radiation Monitoring



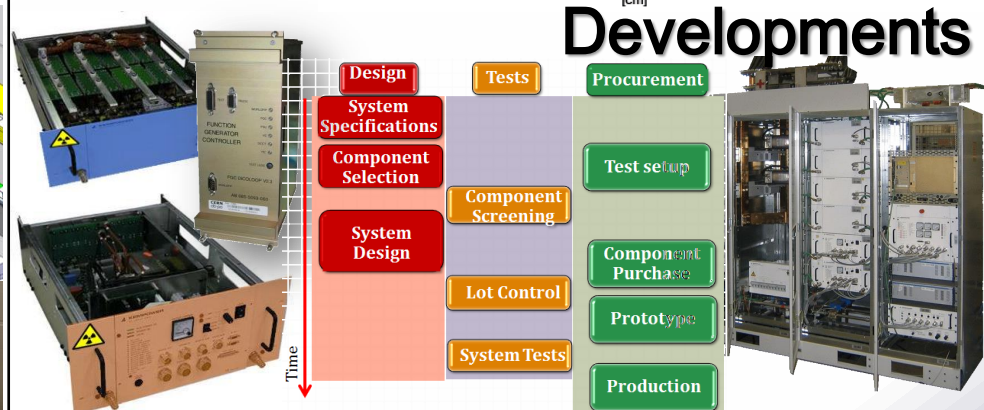
## Calculations



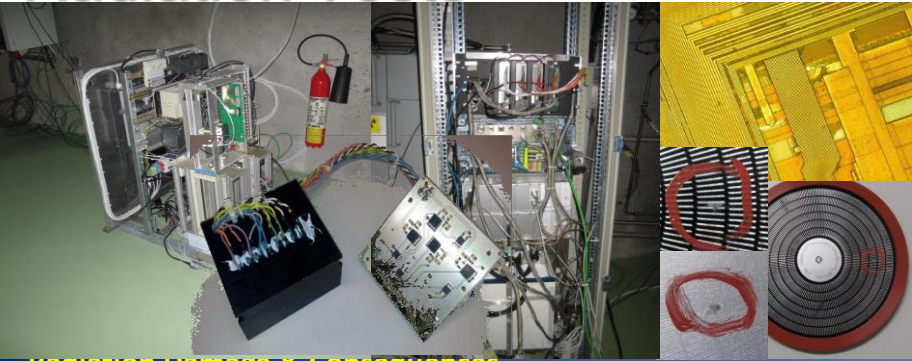
## Test Facilities



## Developments



## Radiation Tests

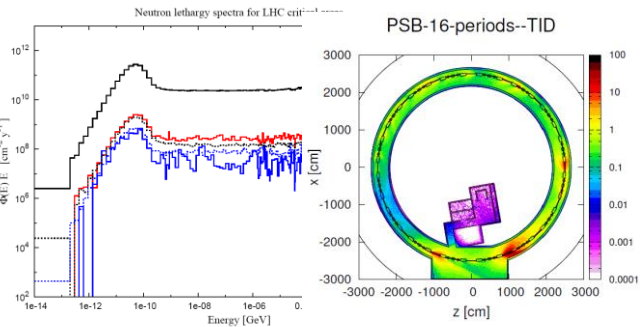


## Production & Implementation



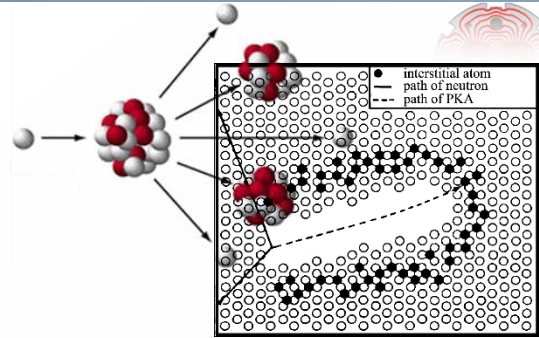


# Do We've All We Need?



## Calculations

Materials & Components



Radiation Environment

Radiation Effects & Physics

Sound & Save Design

Monitoring

Models

Radiation Tests & Facilities

Mitigation Measures

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

Procedures, Access, Time

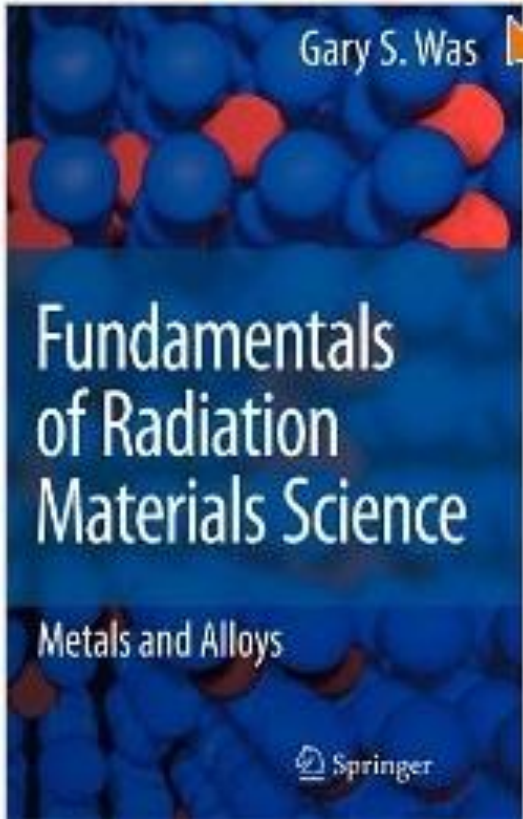
Shielding, Alternatives, Space - - -

# Conclusions

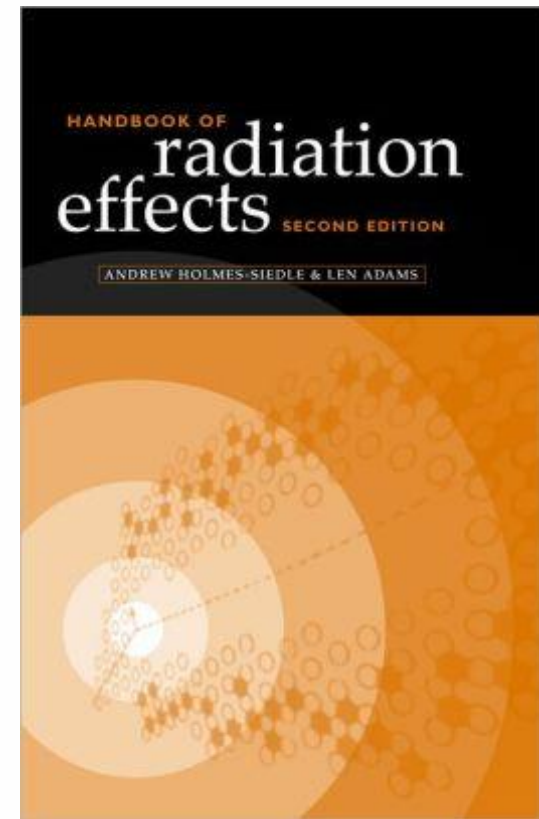
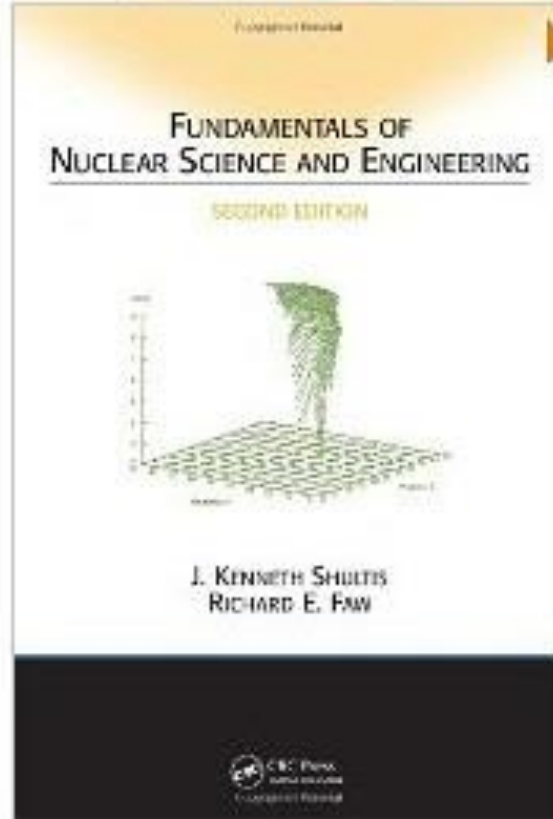
- Ⓢ **Radiation provokes a lot of undesired effect**
  - Ⓢ You cannot avoid them!!!
  - Ⓢ The only rule is to anticipate damage
  - Ⓢ ALARA is the magic word: and not only involves preparation of interventions, but also:
    - Ⓢ selection of materials, components, designs
    - Ⓢ mitigation measures
  
- Ⓢ **Think first & carefully of what you use where!**
  - Ⓢ Ask yourself the question:
    - Ⓢ is it really worth to do what I am doing?
    - Ⓢ and in the way I am going to do it?



Click to **LOOK INSIDE!**



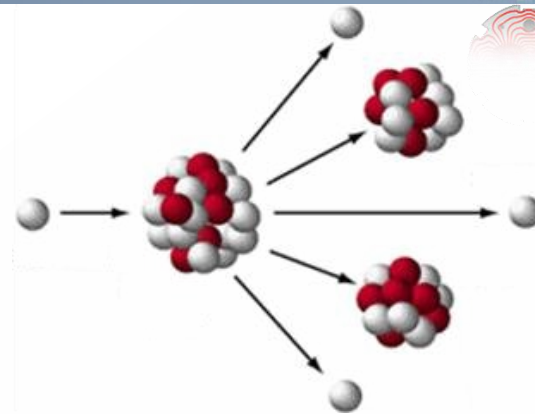
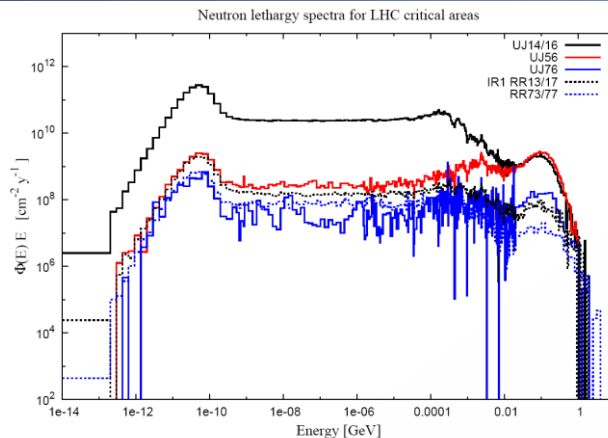
Click to **LOOK INSIDE!**



# Questions?



# BACKUP

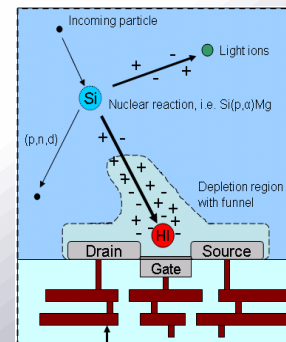


**ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS**

**RADIATION ENVIRONMENT**

**PHYSICS MODELS**

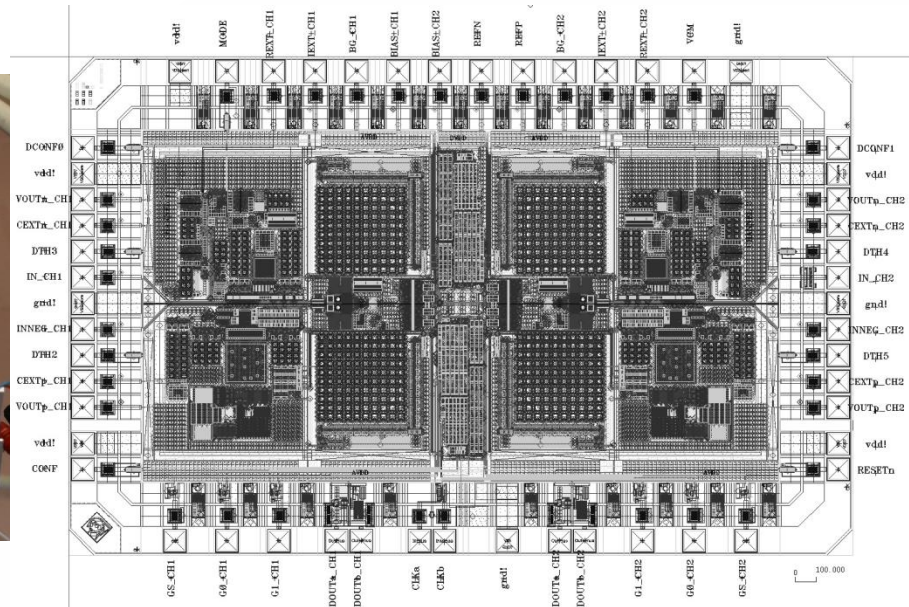
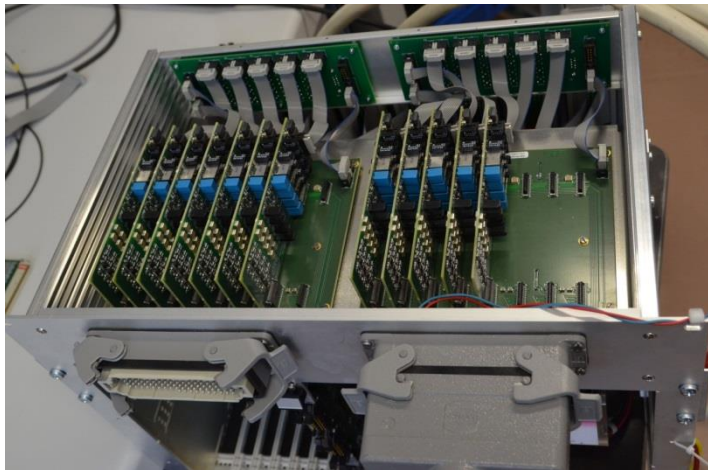
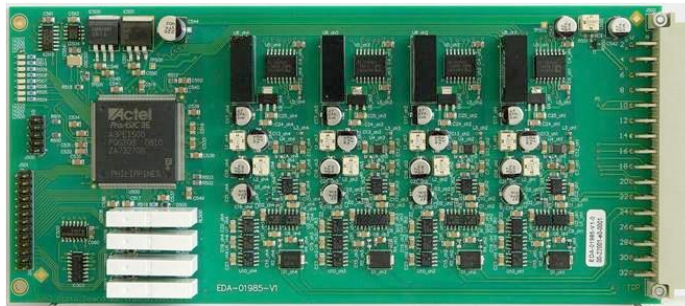
**RADIATION EFFECTS ANALYSIS TESTS MITIGATION**









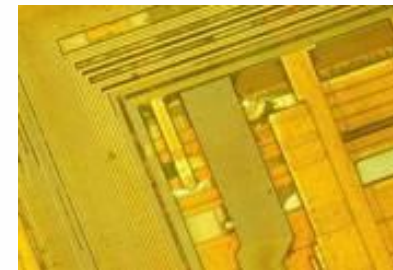


... often based on **COTS**

(for delay, financial and availability reason)

... individual failure mechanisms to be considered

- ❑ A Complex Programmable Logic Controller (CPLD) was tested using **60 MeV protons**
- ❑ **No SEEs** were **observed** for the **three devices** tested before these started failing due to total ionizing dose effects (cumulative) after 120 Gy.
- ❑ The component was then exposed to high energy particle radiation at an **LHC-environment**. **Permanent destruction** of the part occurred in the **early stage** of the test.
- ❑ Importance of **testing** in the actual **operation environment** (not always feasible in a systematic way) and of being able to **model/predict** the **error rate** (energy dependence knowledge, for example)

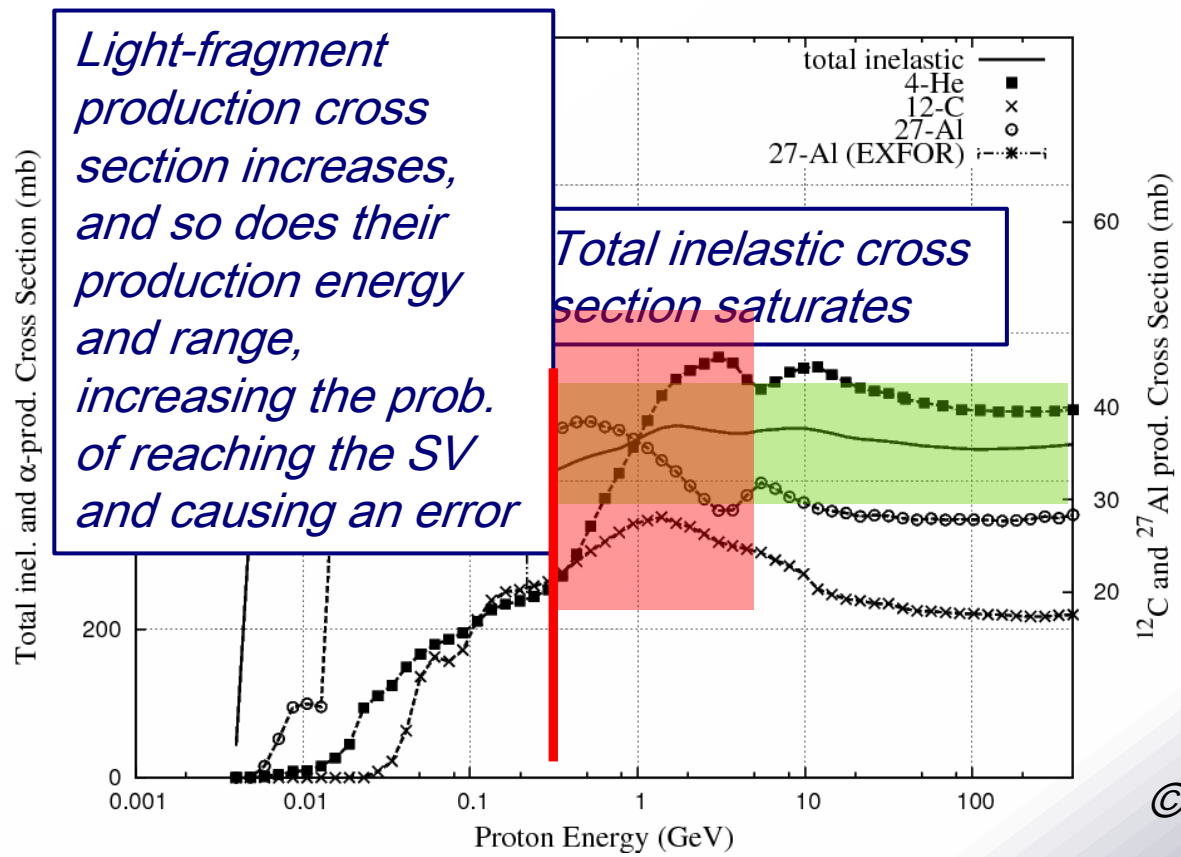


# Energy Dependence



Above ~100 MeV, the total hadron-Silicon inelastic cross section is saturated, however:

- more light, long-ranged fragments are produced
- and they are produced with larger energies (and therefore ranges)

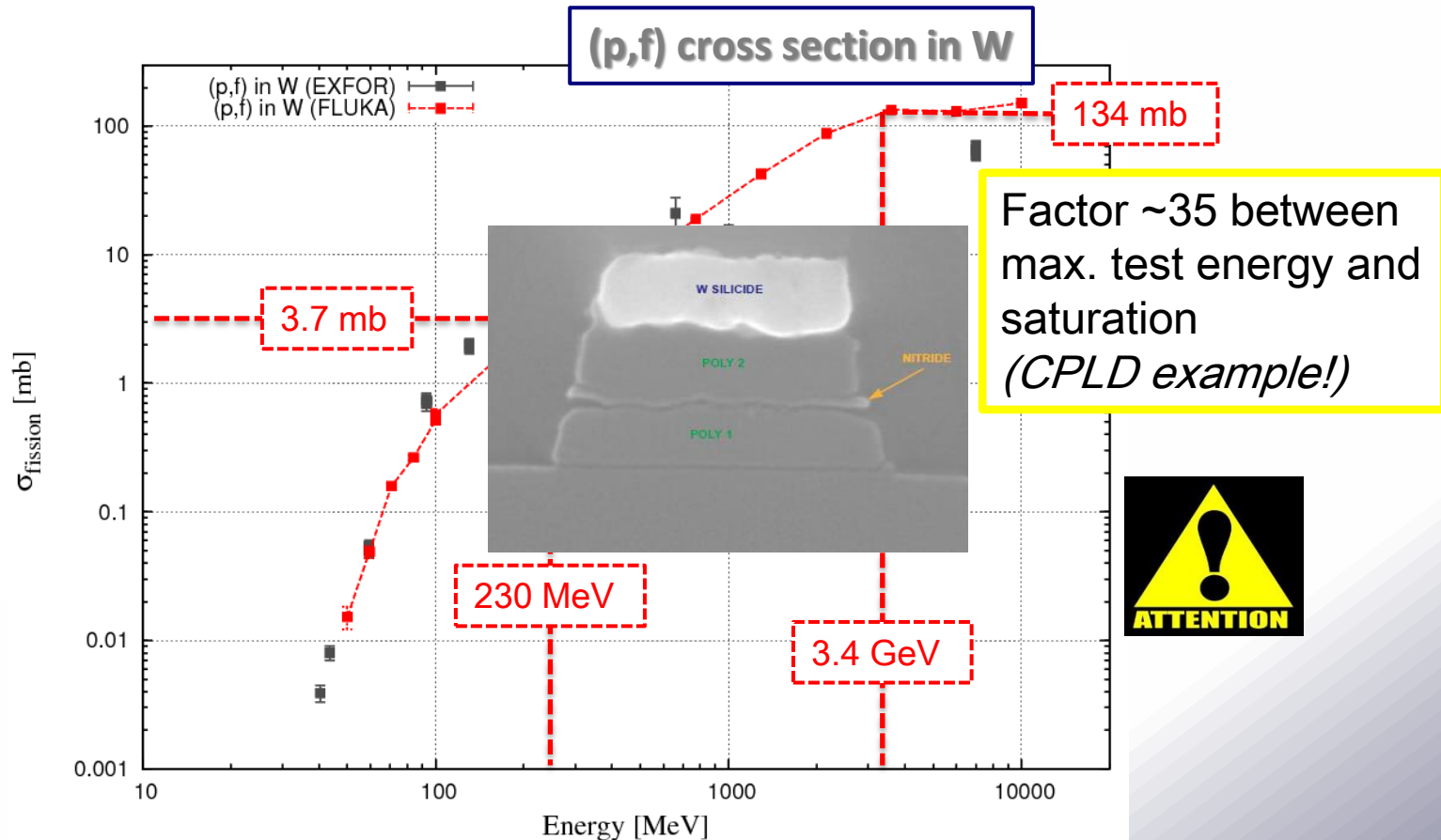


© R. G. Alia

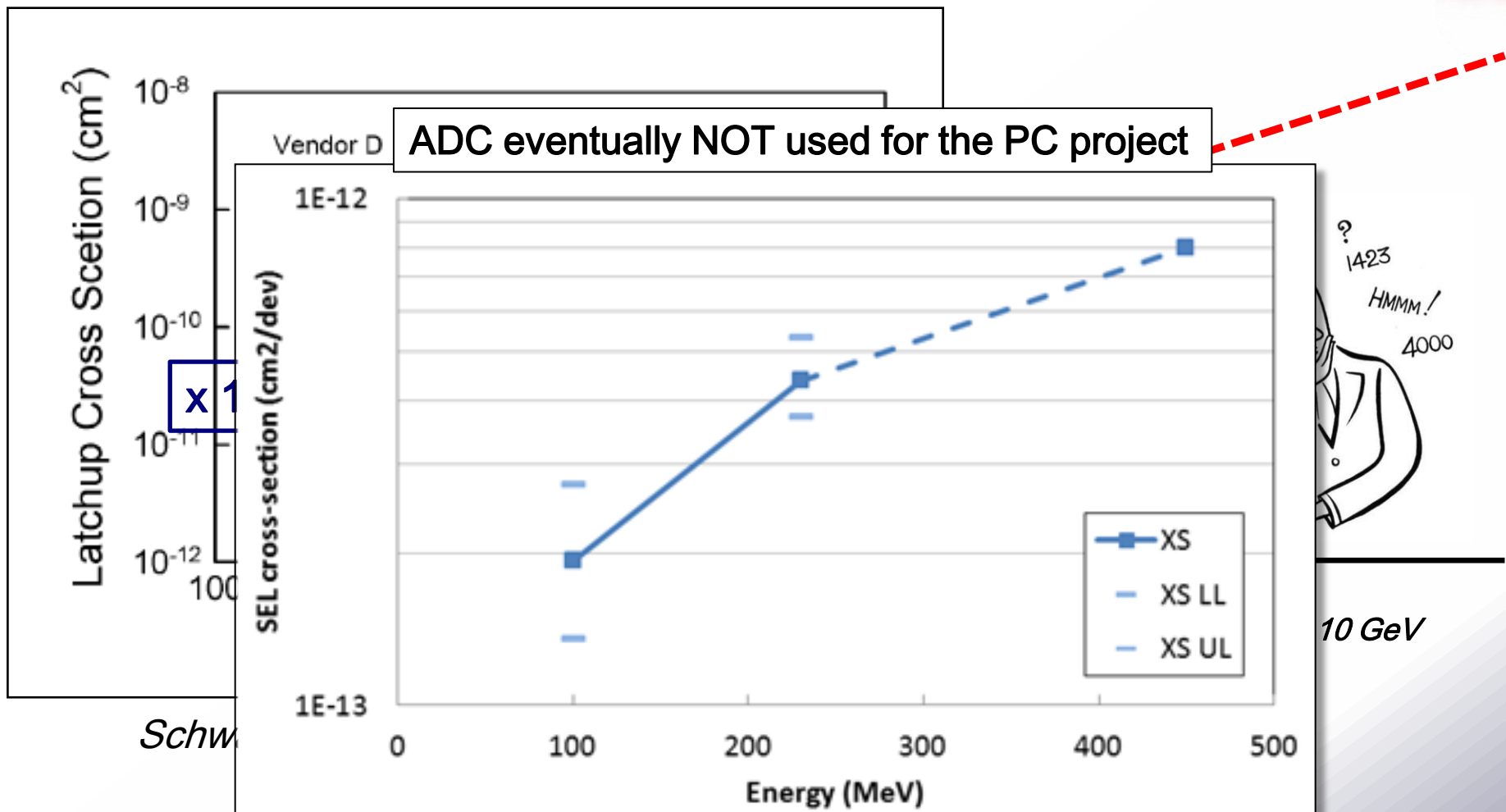


# SEL & Fission: Energy Dependence

- ⊙ **High-Z materials** (namely **tungsten**) are often used in the interconnection layers of the memories, **near the sensitive volumes**
- ⊙ Energetic hadrons can induce **fission** in these materials, producing very **high-LET fragments** that can **dominate the SEE cross section**



# SEL: Energy Dependence

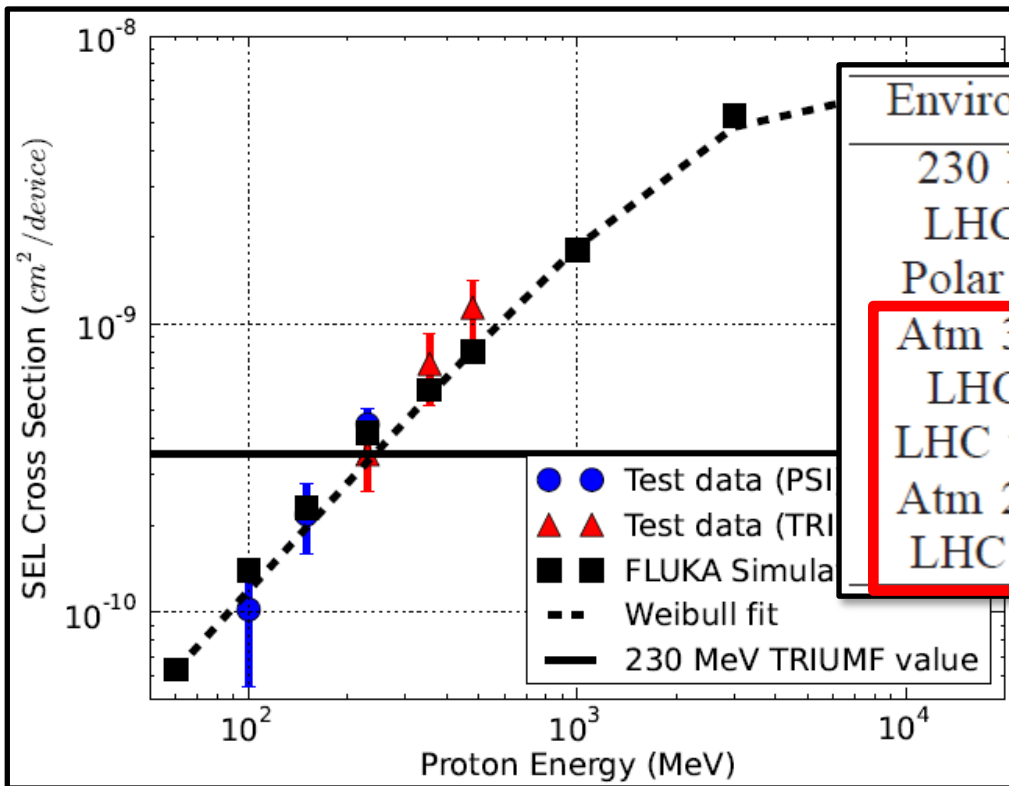


*R. Garcia-Alia (IES & CERN Thesis 2012-2014)*

# SEL: Energy Dependence

- ⊙ Important possible dependency for high-energies
- ⊙ Strong impact on various radiation environments

Compared to 100MeV



Environment	Case I	Case II	Case III
230 MeV	1.8	2.8	<b>3.4 (1.0)</b>
LHC HS	0.7	0.8	0.9
Polar Orbit	0.9	1.6	2.5
Atm 375 m	1.0	2.1	<b>3.3 (1.0)</b>
LHC LS	1.3	<b>5.2 (1.9)</b>	<b>9.7 (2.8)</b>
LHC tunnel	1.5	<b>9.6 (3.4)</b>	<b>20 (5.8)</b>
Atm 20 km	1.2	<b>10 (3.6)</b>	<b>23 (6.7)</b>
LHC Exp.	1.6	<b>18 (6.3)</b>	<b>40 (12)</b>

↑  
No W

↑  
W from  
rev. Eng.

↑  
Full layer  
of W

# Why do we (at CERN) care about SEEs?

- ❑ **Commercial components** used in systems operating **in or near the LHC-tunnel**  
(power converters, cryogenics, QPS system...)



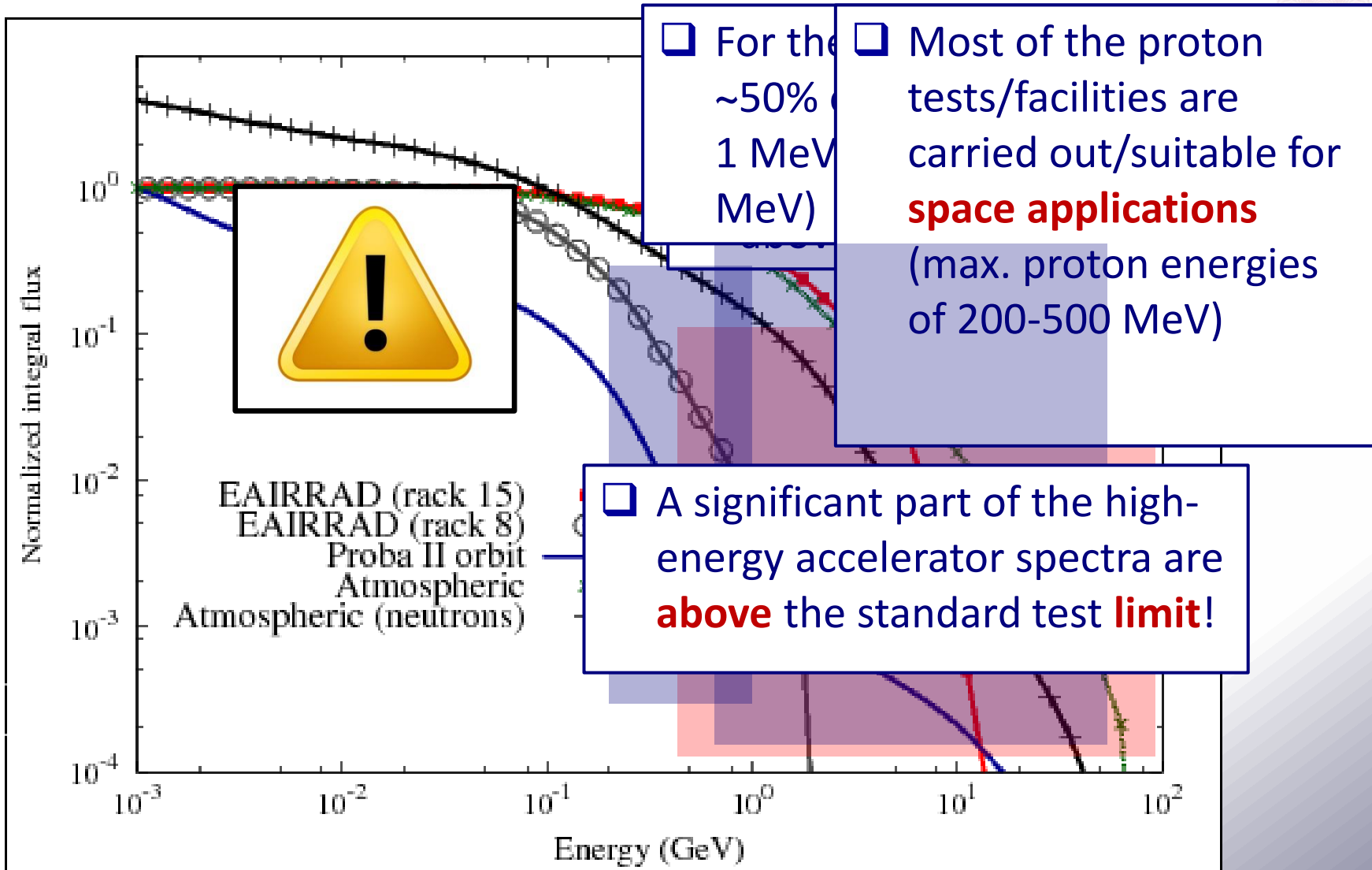
- ❑ **Intense radiation fields** at the locations of operation



- ❑ **SEEs, TID and DD** in components and systems **affect the operation of the accelerator** (beam dump, etc.)
- ❑ Need to **test, monitor, mitigate** and **predict** (R2E project).







## Hard Failure

An error induced by faulty device operation. DATA is lost AND data/function is lost and can no longer operate at that location.

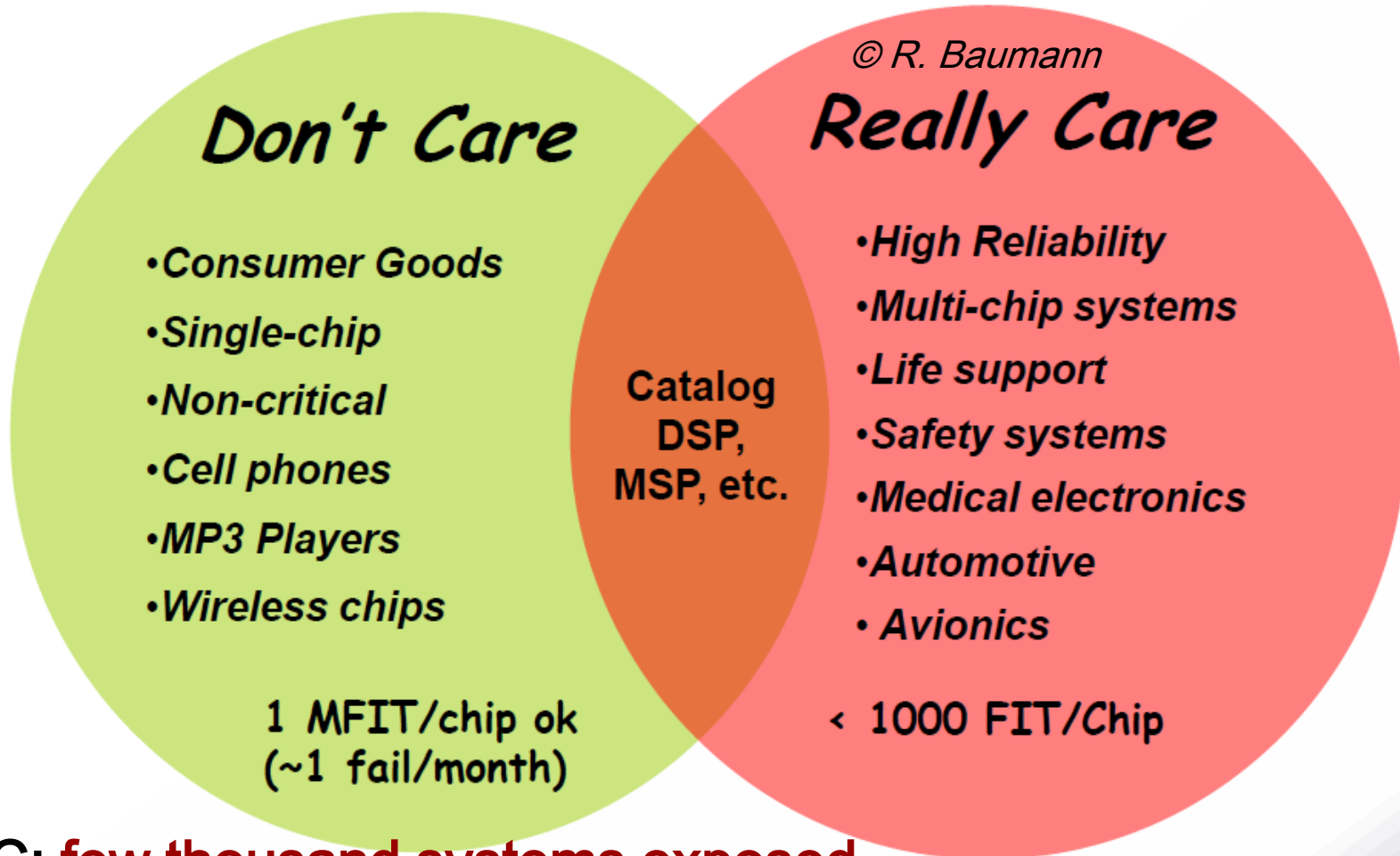
## Soft Failure

An event corrupting only the DATA stored in a device. The device itself is not damaged and functionality is restored when new data is written.

$$1 \text{ FIT} = \frac{1 \text{ failure}}{10^9 \text{ dev} - \text{hrs.}}$$

*1 FIT is 1 failure in 114,155 years!*

*or 100,000 FIT is ~ 1 failure/year*



**LHC: few thousand systems exposed**

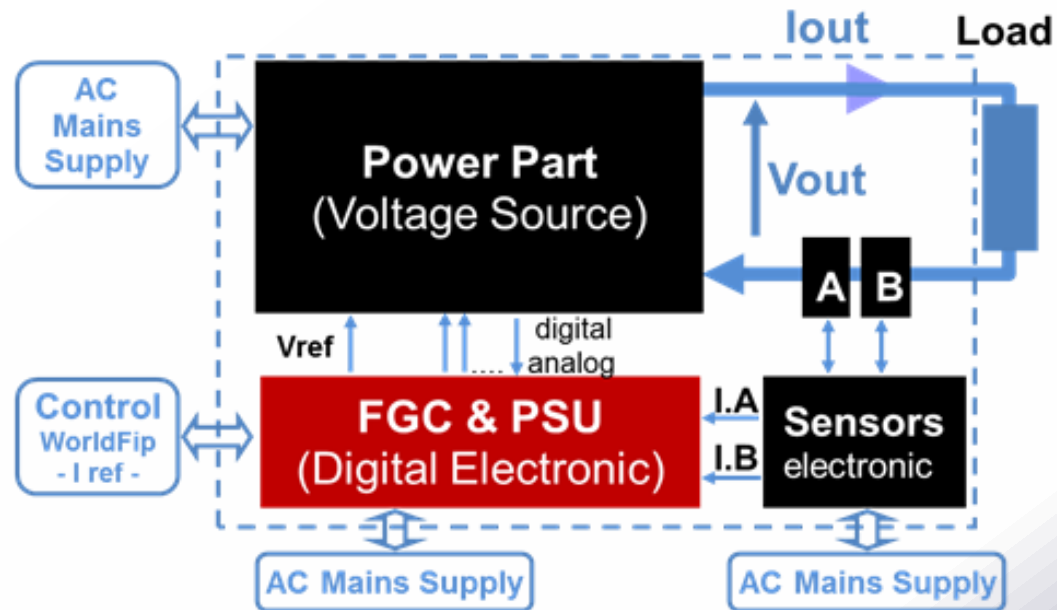
**Aim: less than one radiation induced failure per operational week**

**Reliability in FIT: -> aiming for about 1 FIT/SYSTEM!**

**Per Chip? (better don't do it)**

## ❑ Driving the magnets in the accelerator

- ❑ Partly high-precision requirements
- ❑ Large number of internal components (high power, low voltage, control, etc.)
- ❑ Very high number of exposed units





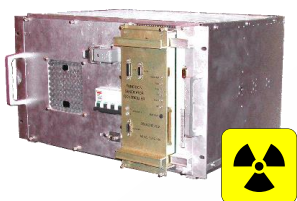
- ❑ **Minimize the number of converter types:**
  - ❑ Only the LHC60A-08V was specified for a radioactive environment !
  - ❑ 3 other converter types are part now of the radioactive sensitive areas!

LHC120A-10V  
4-Quadrant  
300 Units

LHC600A-10V  
4-Quadrant  
400 Units

LHC4..6kA-08V  
1-Quadrant  
200 Units

LHC60A-08V  
4-Quadrant  
752 Units



Units : Quantity in all machine (UA, RR, UJ, tunnel)



© Y. Thurel

September 11<sup>th</sup> 2014

LHC60A-08V



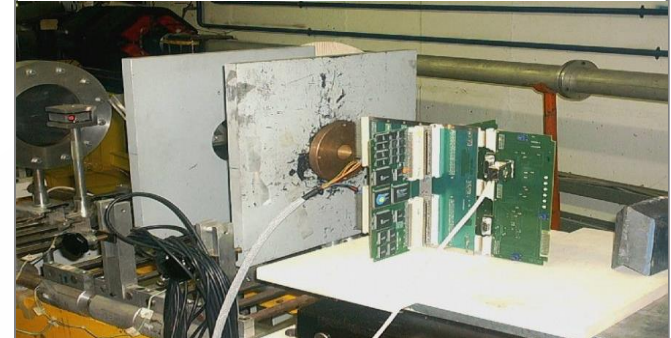
FGC



PSUs



*LOUVAIN (2003 - FGCs)*



*60 MeV proton components tests*

*PROSPERO (2009 - FGCs)*



*1 MeV neutron displacement damage tests*

*CNGS (2008..2009 - FGCs, 60A, PSUs)*



*LHC-Environnement System Test*



**Issue: present FGC2 is susceptible to radiation induced failure**



**FGC2**



**Converter**

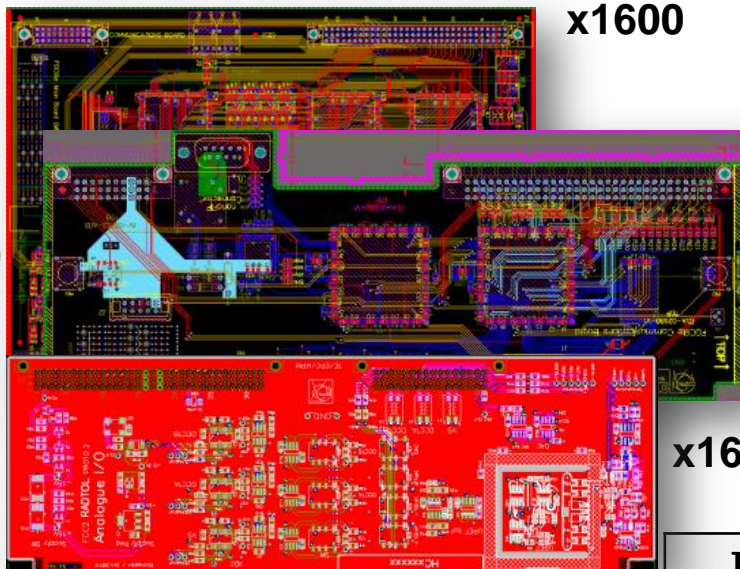


**Location**

**Consequence: >2015 – significant loss of LHC availability**

- Actions:**
1. New hardware controller “FGClite”:  
     -> **optimized for radiation**
  2. New control principle: regulation loop in gateway

**New Radiation-Tolerant design optimized for high availability !!!**



x3900



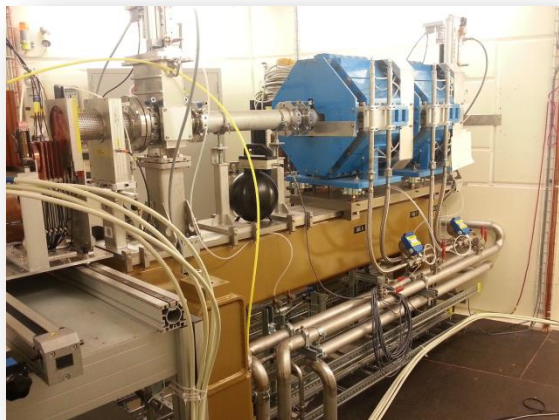
x1600

	Semiconductor			
	Board 1	Board 2	Board 3	Board 4
Diodes	8	13	59	6
LED		6		3
Quartz	1	2	2	1
Opto			4	
Transistor	7	20	27	
IC	22	5	26	30
Total	38	46	118	40

**0.5M semiconductors/2.3M components**

**New testing infrastructure to qualify components under radiation**  
Real-time SEE & TID tests, & multiple components

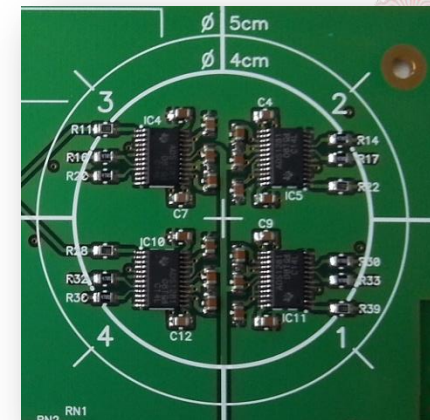




PSI Test Area



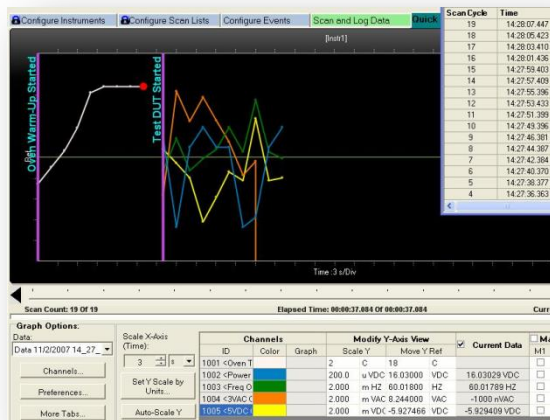
Cards Under Test



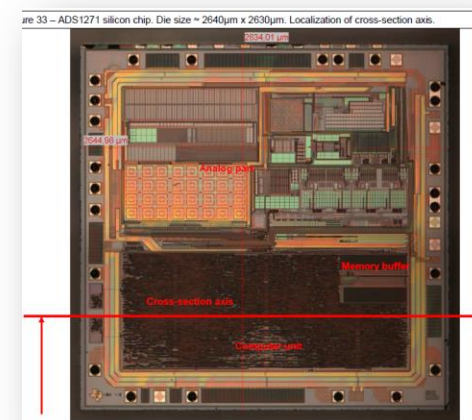
Irradiated Components



Tester Control Electronics



Tester Control Software

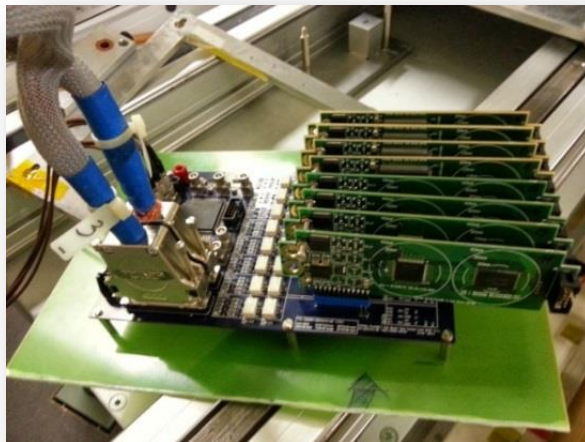


Effect Analysis

-> S. Uznanski: NSREC Talk: (SEE, Devices and ICs) D--4



Prototype

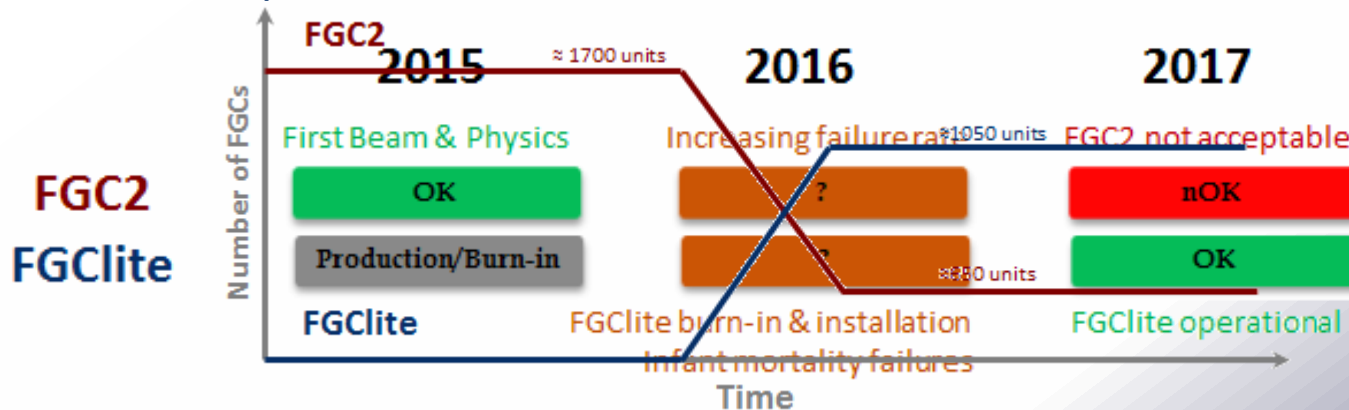


FPGA Type Tester

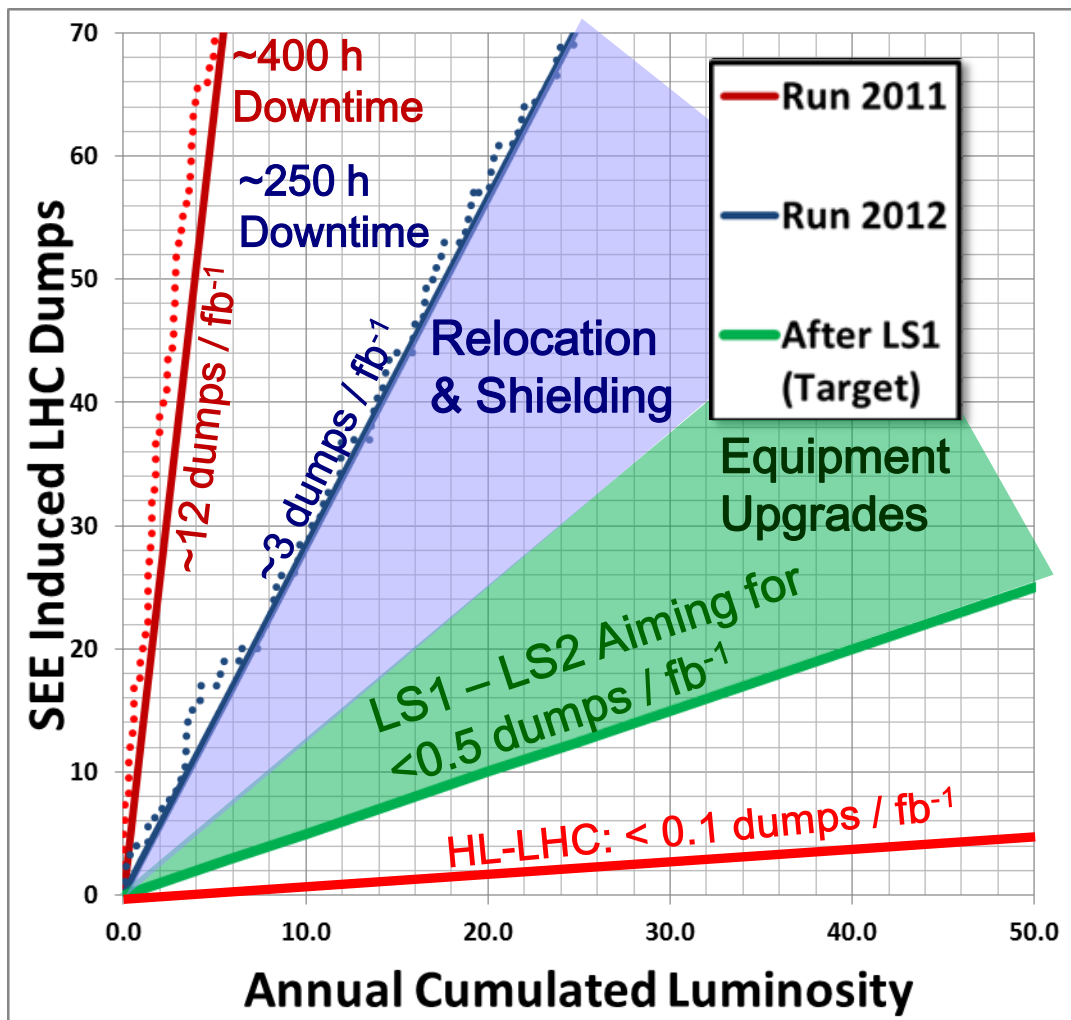


ADC Type Tester

- Ⓢ 2013 – hardware design, prototype available & component type testing
- Ⓢ Q3/2014 – 10 fully validated FGClite proof-of-concept modules
- Ⓢ Q3/2014 – start of component batch testing using CHARM (PS East Area)
- Ⓢ Q2/2015 – Series production



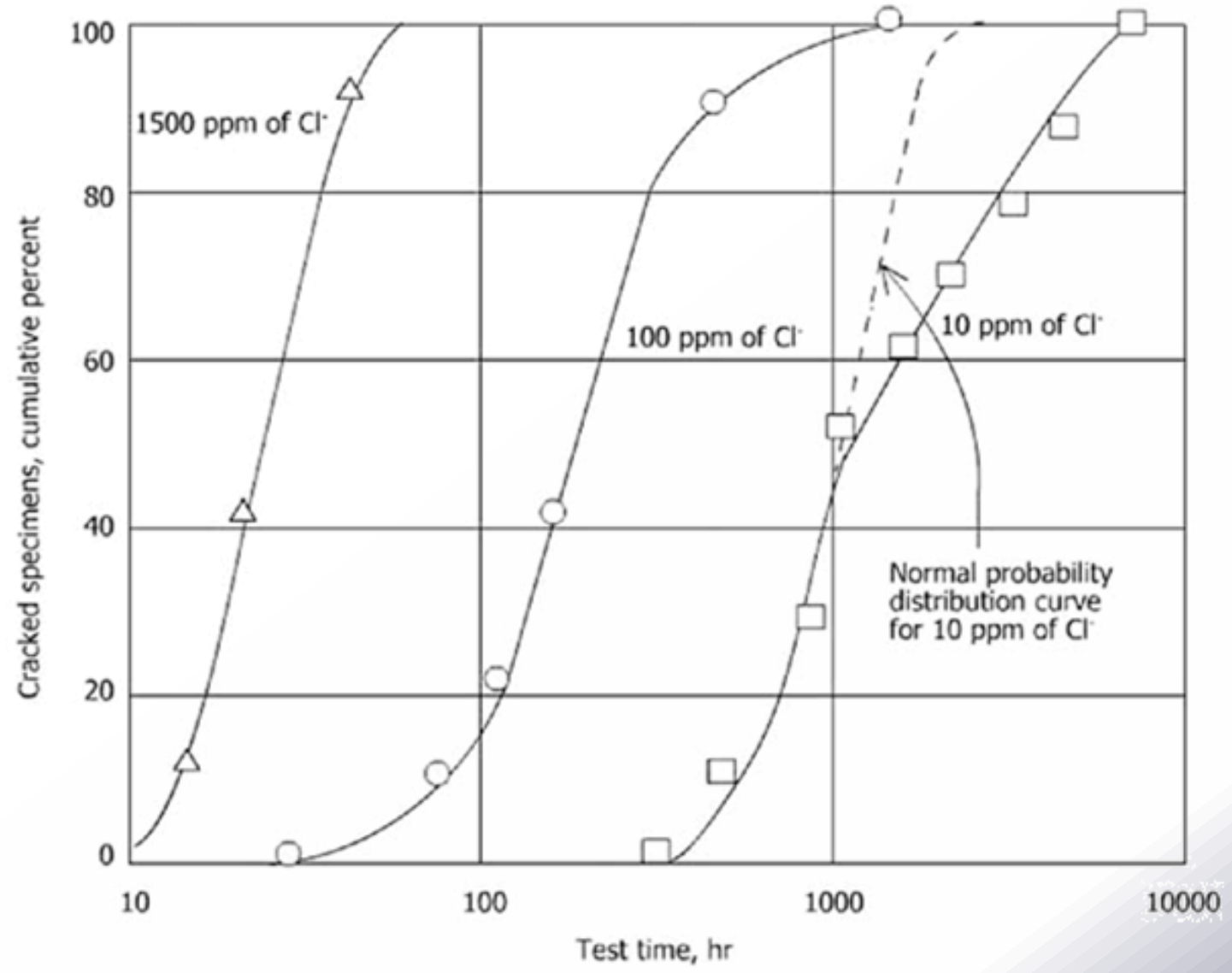
## R2E SEE Failure Analysis



- ⊙ **2008-2011**
- ⊙ Analyze and mitigate all safety relevant cases and limit global impact
- ⊙ **2011-2012**
- ⊙ Focus on long downtimes and shielding
- ⊙ **LS1 (2013/2014)**
- ⊙ Final relocation and shielding
- ⊙ **LS1-LS2 (2015-2018)**
- ⊙ Tunnel equipment and power converters
- ⊙ **-> LS3-HL-LHC**
- ⊙ Tunnel Equipment (**Injectors + LHC**) + RRs



# Chlorine - Corrosion



Ahmad Zaki, Principles of Corrosion Engineering and Corrosion Control, Elsevier