

Particle Detectors

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- ◆ **History of Instrumentation ↔ History of Particle Physics**
- ◆ **The 'Real' World of Particles**
- ◆ **Interaction of Particles with Matter**
- ◆ **Tracking Detectors, Calorimeters, Particle Identification**
- ◆ **Detector Systems**

Particle Detectors

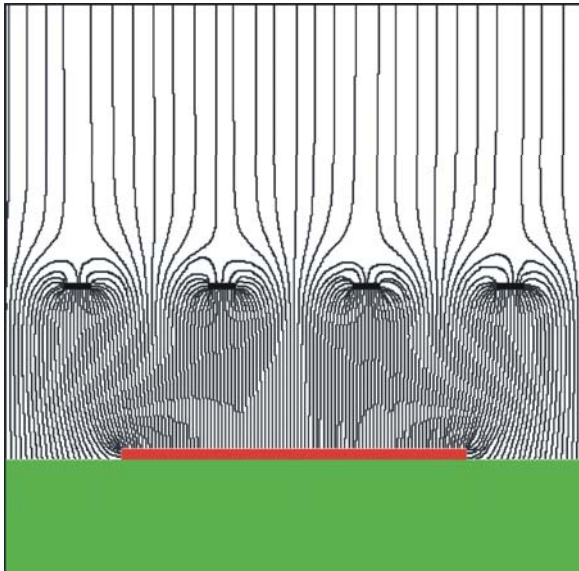
Detector-Physics: Precise knowledge of the processes leading to signals in particle detectors is necessary.

The detectors are nowadays working close to the limits of theoretically achievable measurement accuracy – even in large systems.

Due to available computing power, detectors can be simulated to within 5-10% of reality, based on the fundamental microphysics processes (atomic and nuclear crosssections).

Particle Detector Simulation

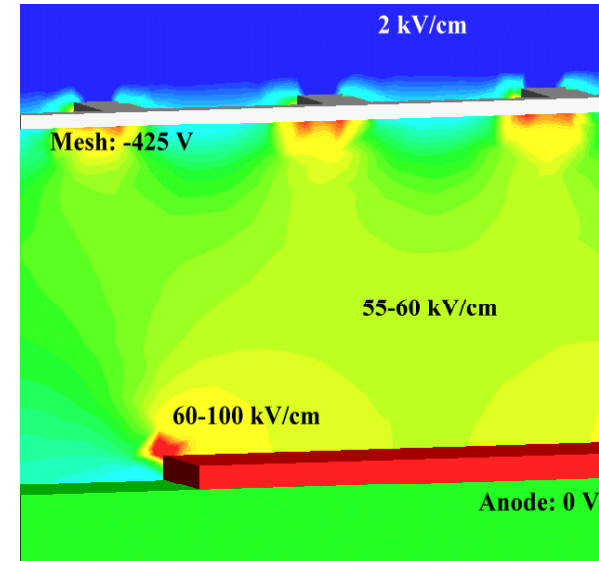
Electric Fields in a Micromega Detector



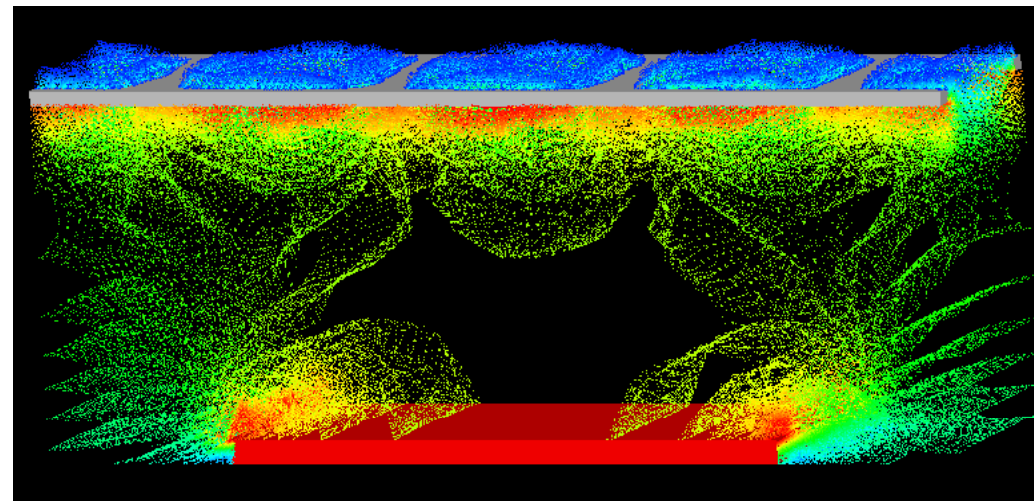
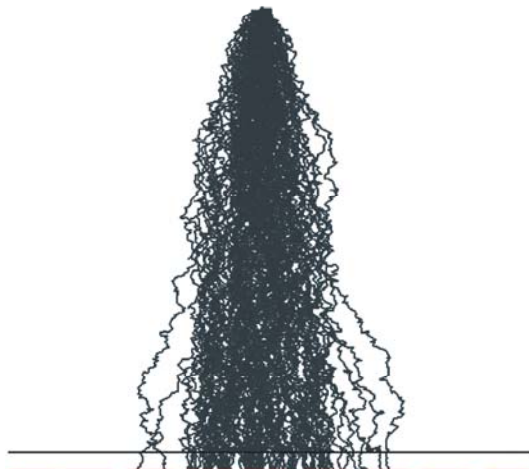
Very accurate simulations of particle detectors are possible due to availability of Finite Element simulation programs and computing power.

Follow every single electron by applying first principle laws of physics.

Electric Fields in a Micromega Detector



Electrons avalanche multiplication

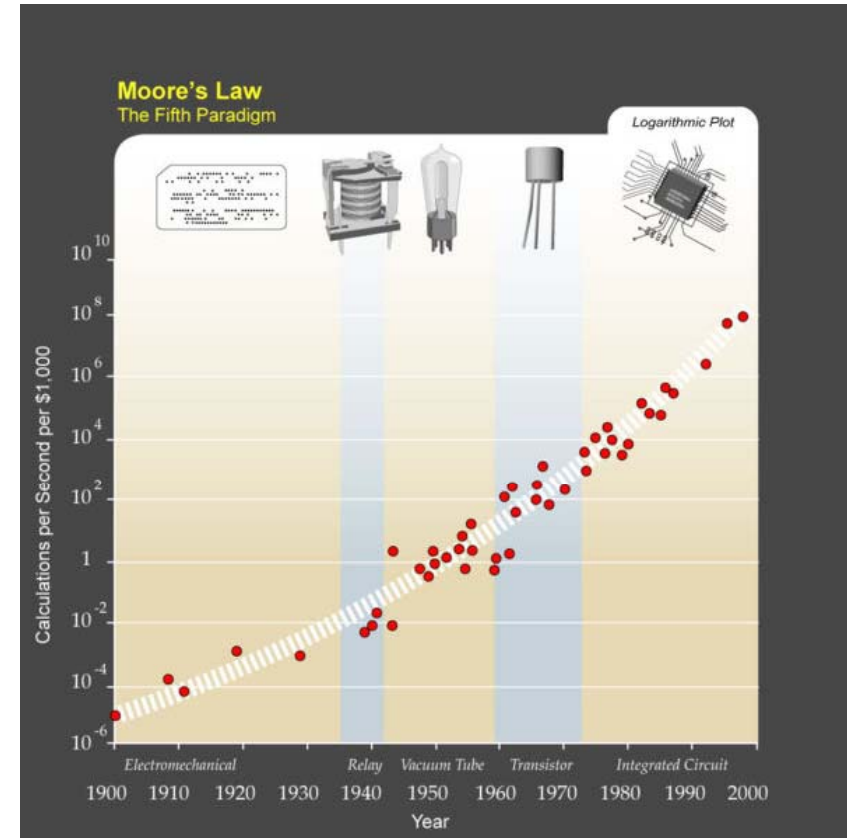


Particle Detector Simulation

I) C. Moore's Law:
Computing power doubles 18 months.

II) W. Riegler's Law:
The use of brain for solving a problem
is inversely proportional to the available
computing power.

→ I) + II) = ...



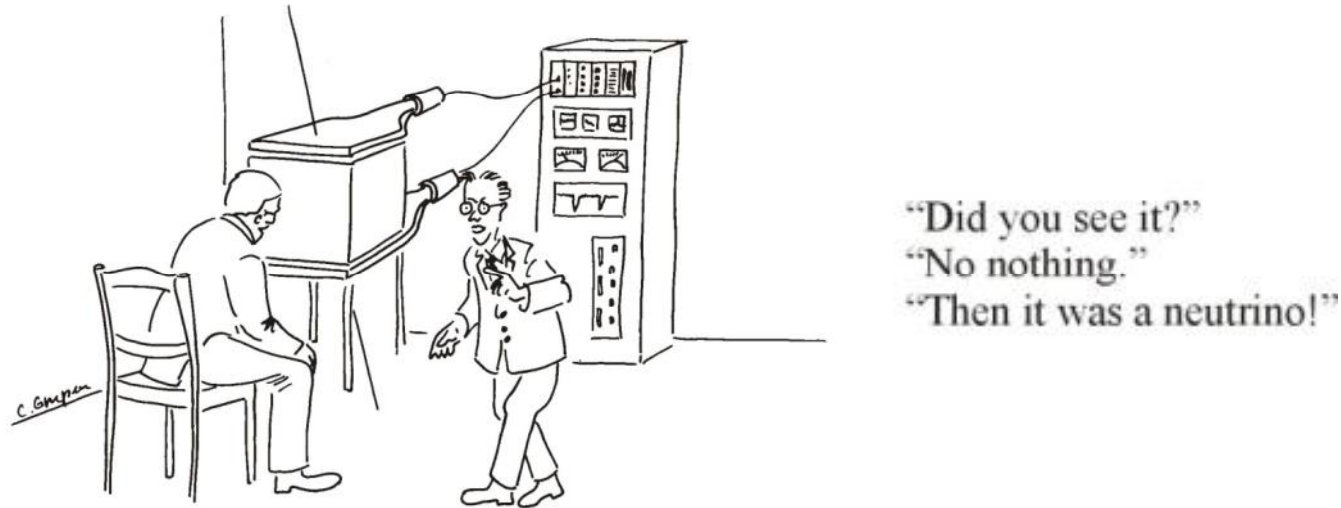
Knowing the basics of particle detectors is essential ...

Interaction of Particles with Matter

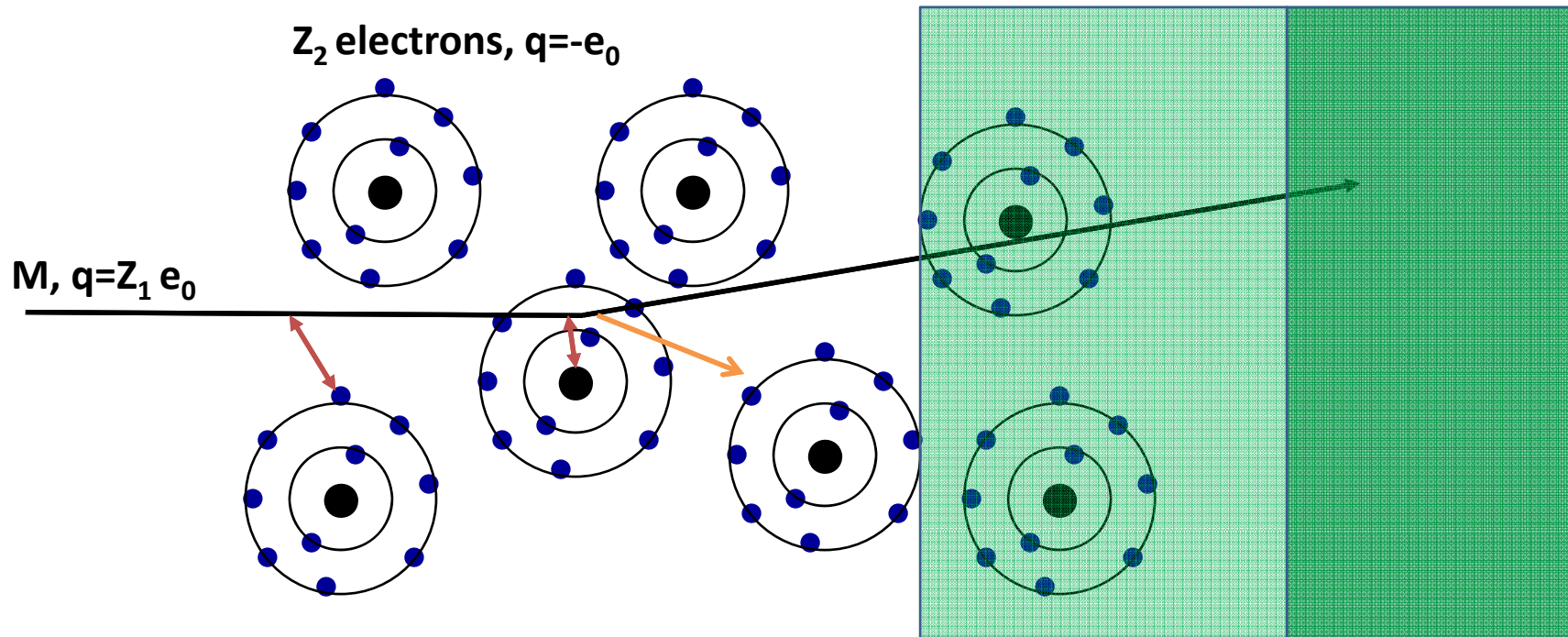
Any device that is to detect a particle must interact with it in some way → almost ...

In many experiments neutrinos are measured by missing transverse momentum.

E.g. e^+e^- collider. $P_{\text{tot}}=0$,
If the Σp_i of all collision products is $\neq 0$ → neutrino escaped.



Electromagnetic Interaction of Particles with Matter

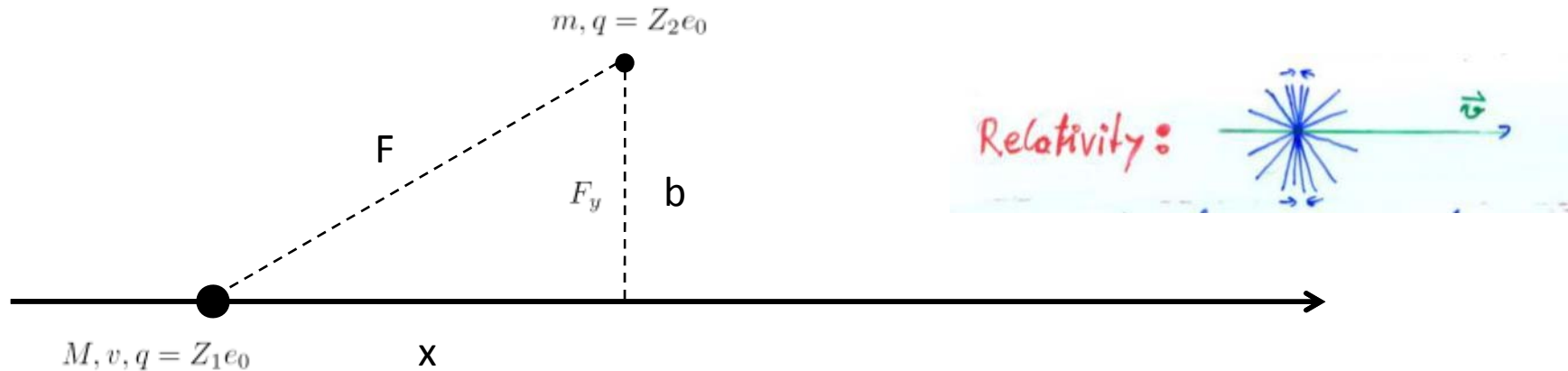


Interaction with the atomic electrons. The incoming particle loses energy and the atoms are excited or ionized.

Interaction with the atomic nucleus. The particle is deflected (scattered) causing multiple scattering of the particle in the material. During this scattering a Bremsstrahlung photon can be emitted.

In case the particle's velocity is larger than the velocity of light in the medium, the resulting EM shockwave manifests itself as Cherenkov Radiation. When the particle crosses the boundary between two media, there is a probability of the order of 1% to produce and X ray photon, called Transition radiation.

Interaction of Particles with Matter



While the charged particle is passing another charged particle, the Coulomb Force is acting, resulting in momentum transfer

$$F_y = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e_0^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (b^2 + v^2 t^2)} \frac{b}{\sqrt{b^2 + v^2 t^2}} \quad \Delta p = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_y(t) dt = \frac{2Z_1 Z_2 e_0^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 v b}$$

The relativistic form of the transverse electric field doesn't change the momentum transfer. The transverse field is stronger, but the time of action is shorter

$$F_y = \frac{\gamma Z_1 Z_2 e_0^2 b}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (b^2 + \gamma^2 v^2 t^2)^{3/2}} \quad \Delta p = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_y(t) dt = \frac{2Z_1 Z_2 e_0^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 v b}$$

The transferred energy is then

$$\Delta E = \frac{(\Delta p)^2}{2m} = \frac{Z_2^2}{m} \frac{2Z_1^2 e_0^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 v^2 b^2}$$

$$\Delta E(\text{electrons}) = Z_2 \frac{1}{m_e} \frac{2Z_1^2 e_0^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 v^2 b^2} \quad \Delta E(\text{nucleus}) = \frac{Z_2^2}{2Z_2 m_p} \frac{2Z_1^2 e_0^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 v^2 b^2} \quad \frac{\Delta E(\text{electrons})}{\Delta E(\text{nucleus})} = \frac{2m_p}{m_e} \approx 4000$$

→ The incoming particle transfer energy only (mostly) to the atomic electrons !

Interaction of Particles with Matter

Target material: mass A, Z_2 , density ρ [g/cm³], Avogadro number N_A

A gramm $\rightarrow N_A$ Atoms:

Number of atoms/cm³

$$n_a = N_A \rho / A \quad [1/\text{cm}^3]$$

Number of electrons/cm³

$$n_e = N_A \rho Z_2 / A \quad [1/\text{cm}^3]$$

$$\Delta E(\text{electrons}) = \frac{2Z_2 Z_1^2 m_e c^2}{\beta^2 b^2} \frac{e_0^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0 m_e c^2)^2} = \frac{2Z_2 Z_1^2 m_e c^2}{\beta^2 b^2} r_e^2$$



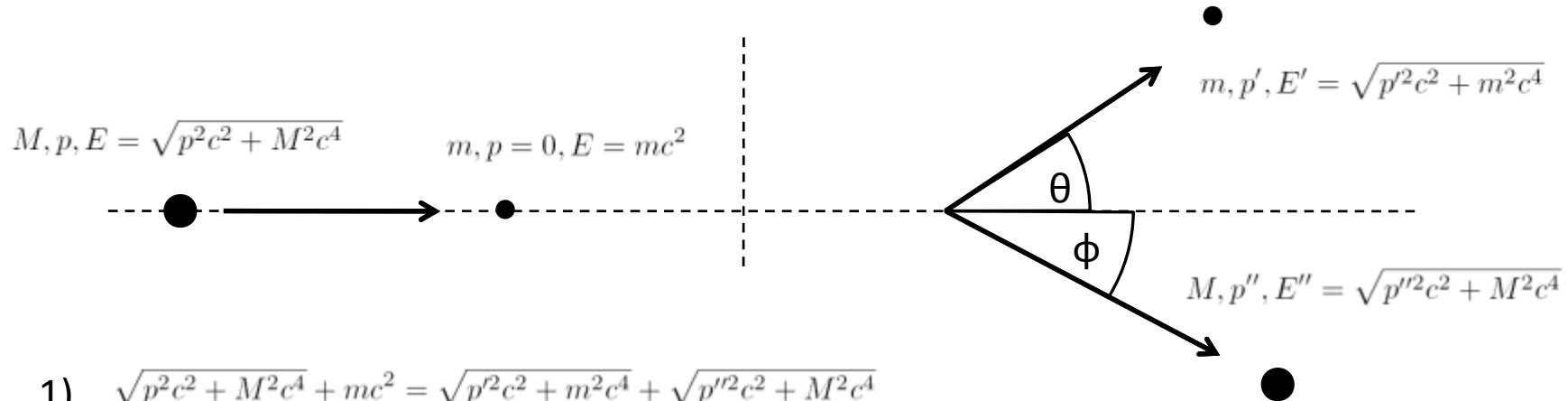
$$dE = - \int_{b_{\min}}^{b_{\max}} n_e \Delta E dx 2\pi b db = - \frac{4\pi Z_2 Z_1^2 m_e c^2 r_e^2}{\beta^2} \frac{N_A \rho}{A} \int_{b_{\min}}^{b_{\max}} \frac{db}{b}$$

With $\Delta E(b) \rightarrow db/b = -1/2 dE/E \rightarrow E_{\max} = \Delta E(b_{\min}) \quad E_{\min} = \Delta E(b_{\max})$

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = -2\pi r_e^2 m_e^2 c^2 \frac{Z_1^2}{\beta^2} \frac{N_A Z_2 \rho}{A} \int_{E_{\min}}^{E_{\max}} \frac{dE}{E} = -2\pi r_e^2 m_e^2 c^2 \frac{Z_1^2}{\beta^2} \frac{N_A Z_2 \rho}{A} \ln \frac{E_{\max}}{E_{\min}}$$

$E_{\min} \approx I$ (Ionization Energy)

Relativistic Collision Kinematics, E_{\max}



$$1) \quad \sqrt{p^2 c^2 + M^2 c^4} + mc^2 = \sqrt{p'^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4} + \sqrt{p''^2 c^2 + M^2 c^4}$$

$$2) \quad \begin{aligned} p &= p' \cos \theta + p'' \cos \phi & p''^2 &= p'^2 + p^2 - 2pp' \cos \theta \\ 0 &= p' \sin \theta + p'' \sin \phi \end{aligned}$$

$$1+2) \quad E^{k'} = \sqrt{p'^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4} - mc^2 = \frac{2mc^2 p^2 c^2 \cos^2 \theta}{\left[mc^2 + \sqrt{p^2 c^2 + M^2 c^4} \right]^2 - p^2 c^2 \cos^2 \theta}$$

$$E_{\max}^{k'} = \frac{2mc^2 p^2 c^2}{(m^2 + M^2)c^4 + 2m\sqrt{p^2 c^2 + M^2 c^4}} = 2mc^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 F \quad F = \left(1 + \frac{2m}{M} \sqrt{1 + \beta^2 \gamma^2} + \frac{m^2}{M^2} \right)^{-1}$$

Classical Scattering on Free Electrons

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dE}{dx} = -2\pi r_e^2 m_e c^2 \frac{Z_1^2}{\beta^2} N_A \frac{Z}{A} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 F}{I}$$

This formula is up to a factor 2 and the density effect identical to the precise QM derivation →

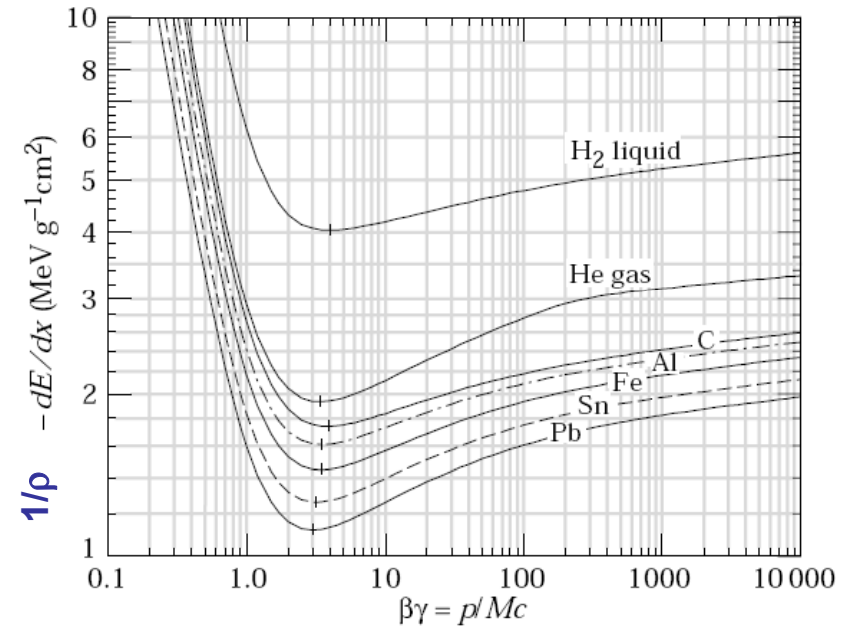
Bethe Bloch Formula

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dE}{dx} = \underline{-4\pi r_e^2 m_e c^2} \frac{Z_1^2}{\beta^2} N_A \frac{Z}{A} \left[\ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 F}{I} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$

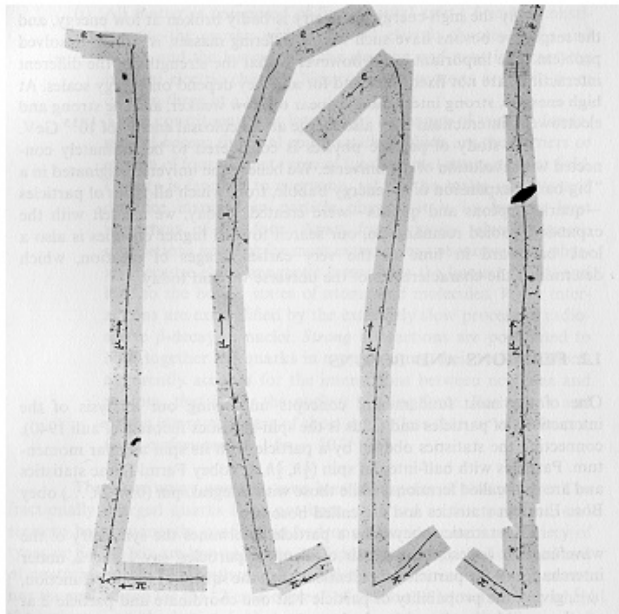
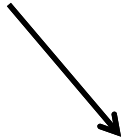
Electron Spin

$$\delta(\beta\gamma) = \ln h\omega_p/I + \ln \beta\gamma - \frac{1}{2}$$

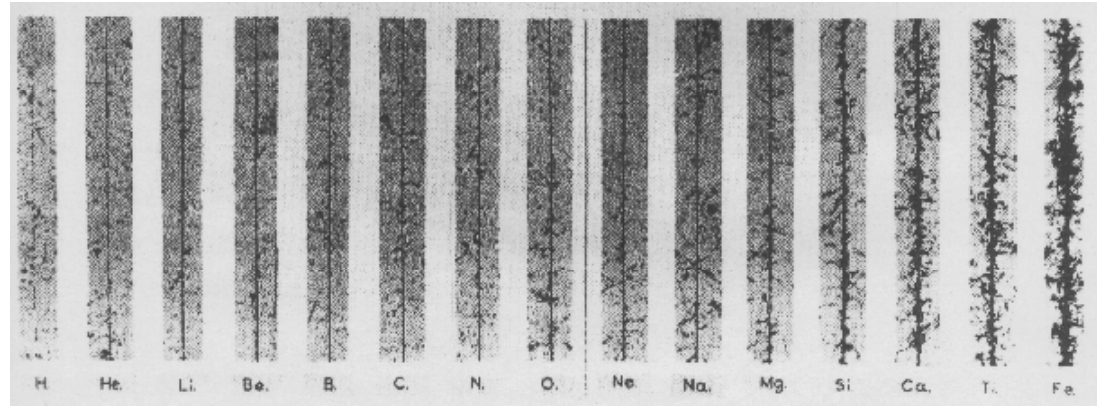
Density effect. Medium is polarized
Which reduces the log. rise.



Small energy loss
→ Fast Particle

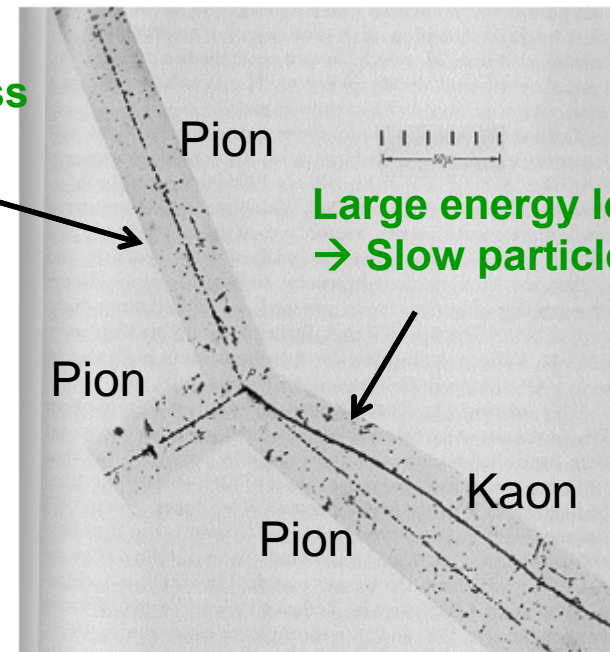


Discovery of muon and pion



Cosmic rays: $dE/dx \propto Z^2$

Small energy loss
→ Fast particle



Large energy loss
→ Slow particle



Bethe Bloch Formula

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dE}{dx} = -4\pi r_e^2 m_e c^2 \frac{Z_1^2}{\beta^2} N_A \frac{Z}{A} \left[\ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 F}{I} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$

Für $Z > 1$, $I \approx 16Z^{0.9} \text{ eV}$

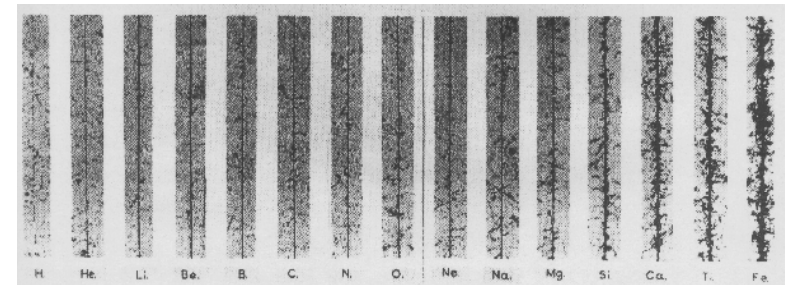
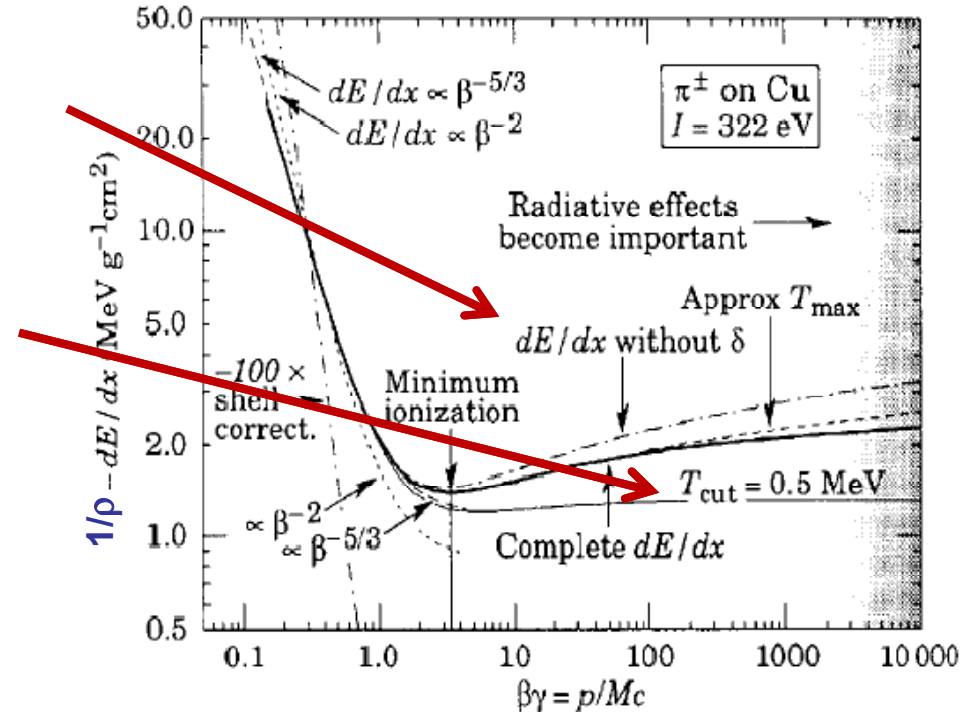
For Large $\beta\gamma$ the medium is being polarized by the strong transverse fields, which reduces the rise of the energy loss \rightarrow density effect

At large Energy Transfers (delta electrons) the liberated electrons can leave the material. In reality, E_{\max} must be replaced by E_{cut} and the energy loss reaches a plateau (Fermi plateau).

Characteristics of the energy loss as a function of the particle velocity ($\beta\gamma$)

The specific Energy Loss $1/\rho \text{ dE/dx}$

- firsts decreases as $1/\beta^2$
- increases with $\ln \gamma$ for $\beta = 1$
- is \approx independent of M ($M \gg m_e$)
- is proportional to Z_1^2 of the incoming particle.
- is \approx independent of the material ($Z/A \approx \text{const}$)
- shows a plateau at large $\beta\gamma$ ($\gg 100$)
- $dE/dx \approx 1-2 \times \rho \text{ [g/cm}^3\text{] MeV/cm}$



Bethe Bloch Formula

Bethe Bloch Formula, a few Numbers:

For $Z \approx 0.5 A$

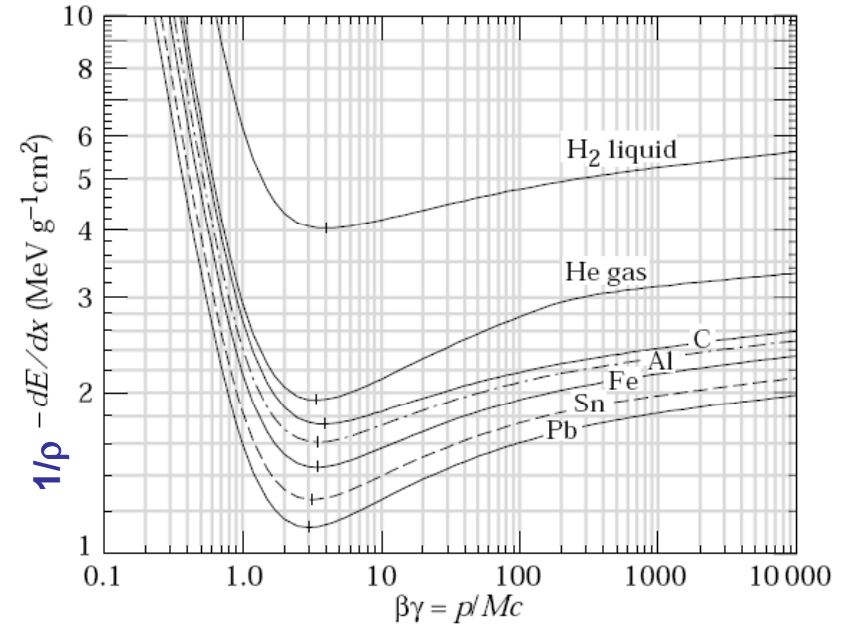
$1/\rho \, dE/dx \approx 1.4 \text{ MeV cm}^2/\text{g}$ for $\beta\gamma \approx 3$

Example :

Iron: Thickness = 100 cm; $\rho = 7.87 \text{ g/cm}^3$

$dE \approx 1.4 * 100 * 7.87 = 1102 \text{ MeV}$

→ A 1 GeV Muon can traverse 1m of Iron



This number must be multiplied with ρ [g/cm^3] of the Material → dE/dx [MeV/cm]

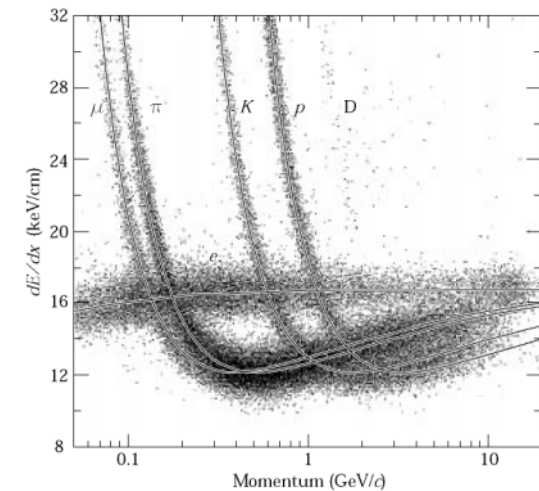
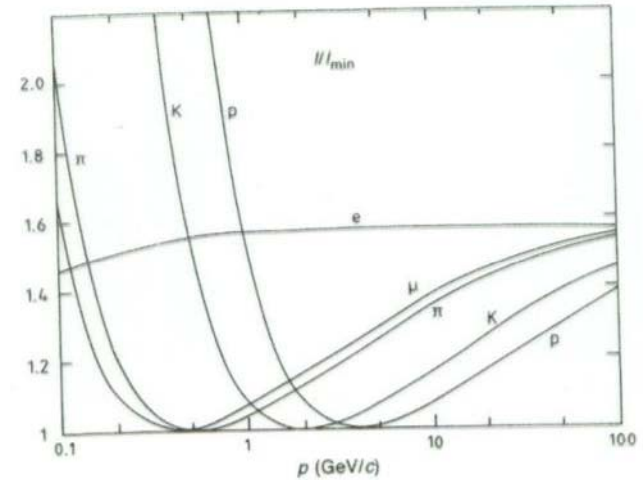
Energy Loss as a Function of the Momentum

Energy loss depends on the particle velocity and is \approx independent of the particle's mass M .

The energy loss as a function of particle Momentum $P = Mc\beta\gamma$ IS however depending on the particle's mass

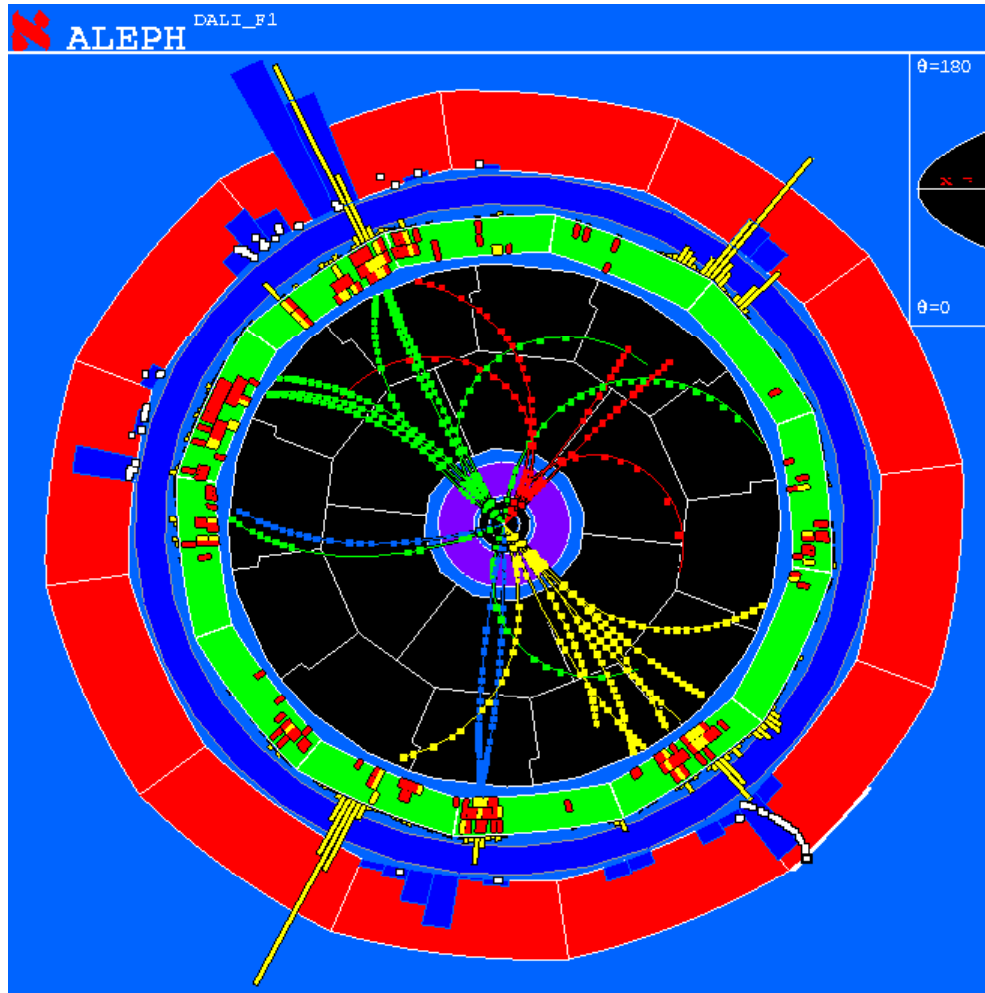
By measuring the particle momentum (deflection in the magnetic field) and measurement of the energy loss one can measure the particle mass

→ Particle Identification !



$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dE}{dx} = -4\pi r_e^2 m_e c^2 Z_1^2 \frac{p^2 + M^2 c^2}{p^2} N_A \frac{Z}{A} \left[\ln \frac{2m_e c^2 F}{I} \frac{p^2}{M^2 c^2} - \frac{p^2}{p^2 + M^2 c^2} \right]$$

Energy Loss as a Function of the Momentum



Measure momentum by curvature of the particle track.

Find dE/dx by measuring the deposited charge along the track.

→ Particle ID

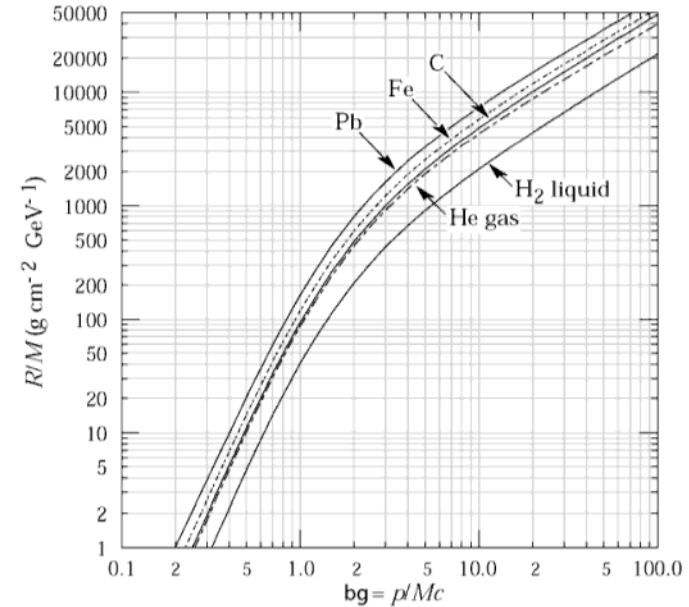
Range of Particles in Matter

Particle of mass M and kinetic Energy E_0 enters matter and loses energy until it comes to rest at distance R .

$$R(E_0) = \int_{E_0}^0 \frac{-1}{dE/dx} dE$$

$$R(\beta_0 \gamma_0) = \frac{Mc^2}{\rho} \frac{1}{Z_1^2} \frac{A}{Z} f(\beta_0 \gamma_0)$$

$$\frac{\rho}{Mc^2} R(\beta_0 \gamma_0) = \frac{1}{Z_1^2} \frac{A}{Z} f(\beta_0 \gamma_0) \quad \approx \text{Independent of the material}$$

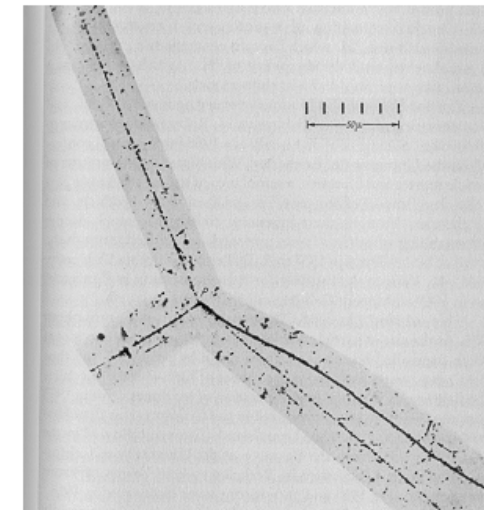
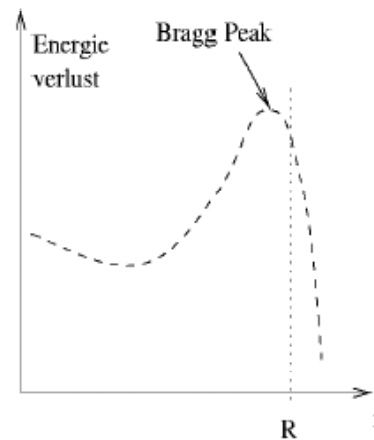


Bragg Peak:

For $\beta\gamma > 3$ the energy loss is \approx constant (Fermi Plateau)

If the energy of the particle falls below $\beta\gamma = 3$ the energy loss rises as $1/\beta^2$

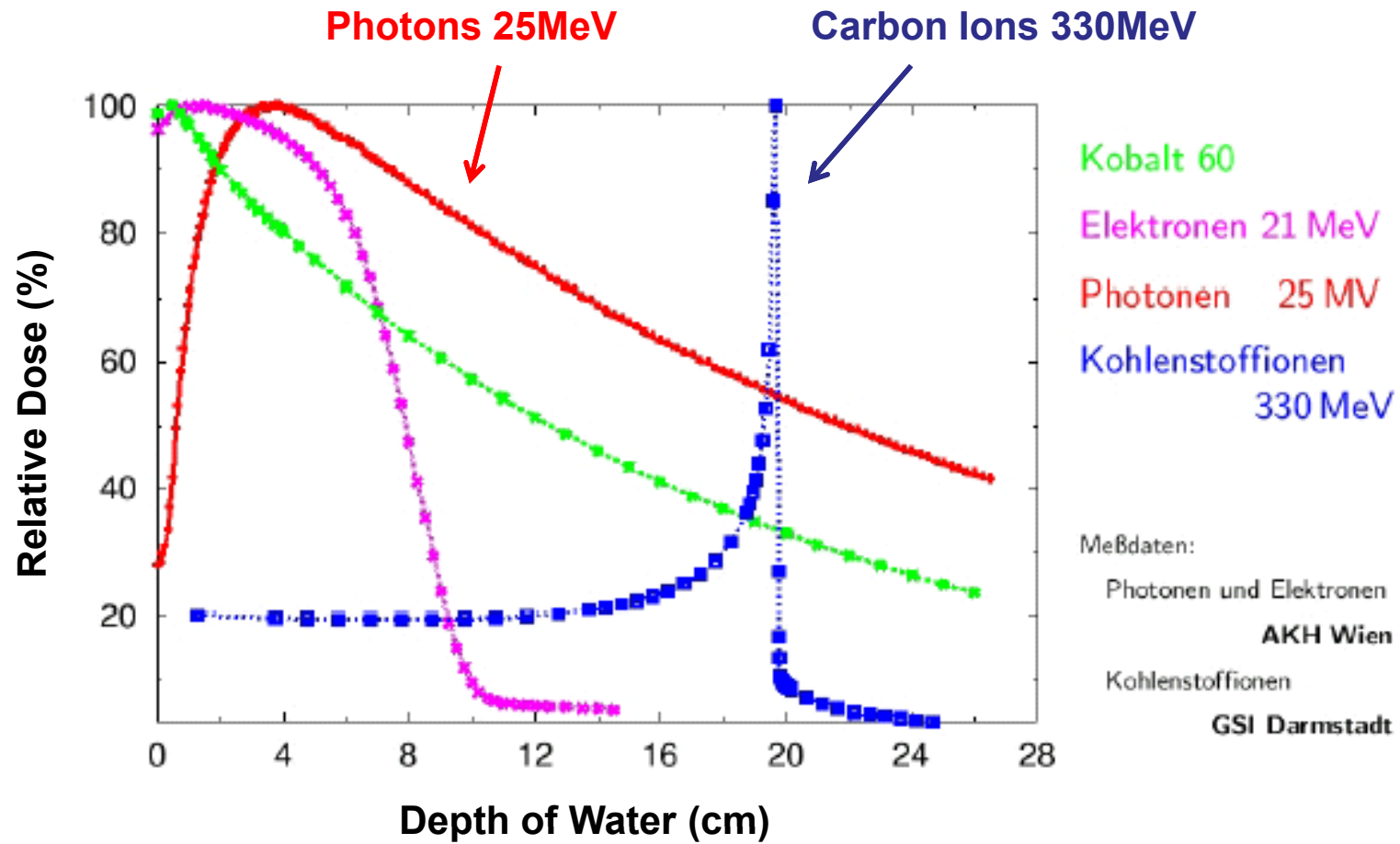
Towards the end of the track the energy loss is largest \rightarrow Cancer Therapy.



Range of Particles in Matter

Average Range:

Towards the end of the track the energy loss is largest → Bragg Peak → Cancer Therapy



Search for Hidden Chambers in the Pyramids

The structure of the Second Pyramid of Giza is determined by cosmic-ray absorption.

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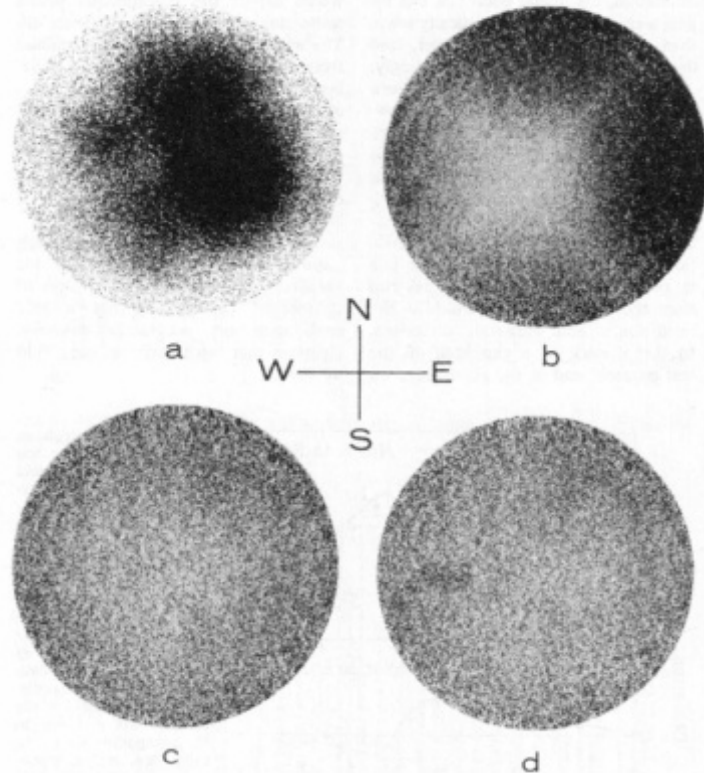
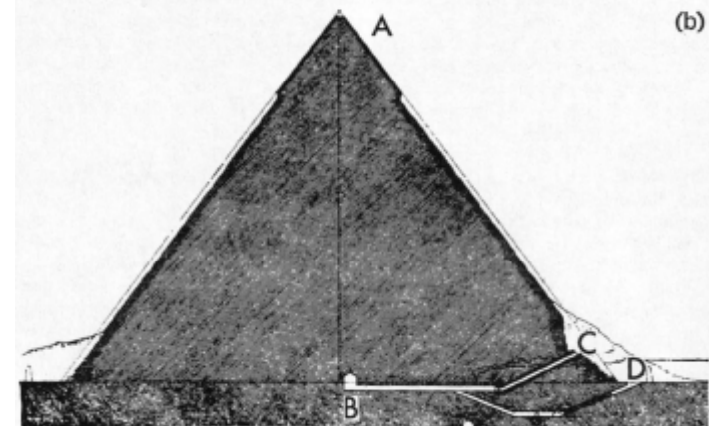
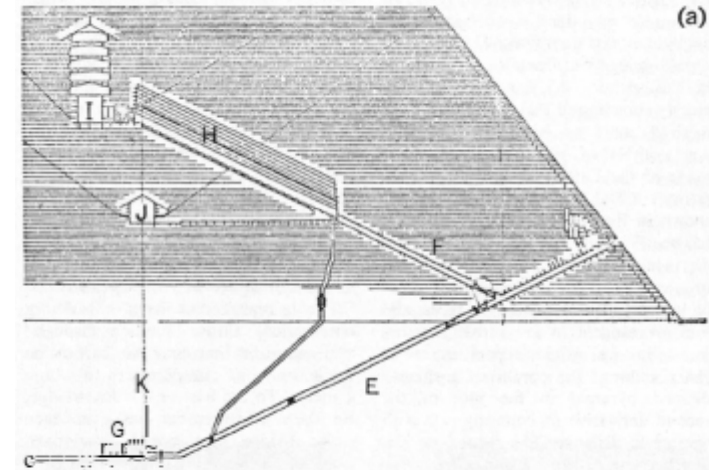


Fig. 13. Scatter plots showing the three stages in the combined analytic and visual analysis of the data and a plot with a simulated chamber, (a) Simulated "x-ray photograph" of uncorrected data. (b) Data corrected for the geometrical acceptance of the apparatus. (c) Data corrected for pyramid structure as well as geometrical acceptance. (d) Same as (c) but with simulated chamber, as in Fig. 12.

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Fig. 2 (bottom right). Cross sections of (a) the Great Pyramid of Cheops and (b) the Pyramid of Chephren, showing the known chambers: (A) Smooth limestone cap, (B) the Belzoni Chamber, (C) Belzoni's entrance, (D) Howard-Vyse's entrance, (E) descending passageway, (F) ascending passageway, (G) underground chamber, (H) Grand Gallery, (I) King's Chamber, (J) Queen's Chamber, (K) center line of the pyramid.

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Luis Alvarez used the attenuation of muons to look for chambers in the Second Giza Pyramid → Muon Tomography

He proved that there are no chambers present.

Intermezzo: Crosssection

Crosssection σ : Material with Atomic Mass A and density ρ contains n Atoms/cm³

$$n[\text{cm}^{-3}] = \frac{N_A[\text{mol}^{-1}] \rho[\text{g}/\text{cm}^3]}{A[\text{g}/\text{mol}]} \quad N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

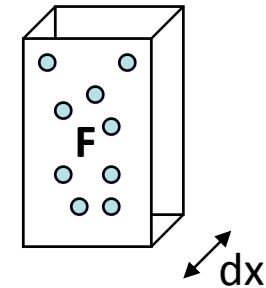
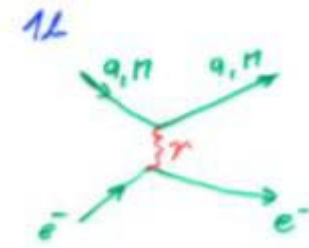
E.g. Atom (Sphere) with Radius R : Atomic Crosssection $\sigma = R^2\pi$

A volume with surface F and thickness dx contains $N=nFdx$ Atoms.

The total 'surface' of atoms in this volume is $N \sigma$.

The relative area is $p = N \sigma / F = N_A \rho \sigma / A dx =$

Probability that an incoming particle hits an atom in dx .



What is the probability P that a particle hits an atom between distance x and $x+dx$?

P = probability that the particle does NOT hit an atom in the $m=x/dx$ material layers and that the particle DOES hit an atom in the m^{th} layer

$$P(x)dx = (1-p)^m p \approx e^{-m} p = \exp\left(-\frac{N_A \rho \sigma}{A} x\right) \frac{N_A \rho \sigma}{A} dx = \frac{1}{\lambda} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\lambda}\right) dx \quad \lambda = \frac{A}{N_A \rho \sigma}$$

Mean free path $= \int_0^{\infty} x P(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{\lambda} e^{-\frac{x}{\lambda}} dx = \lambda$

Average number of collisions/cm $= \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{N_A \rho \sigma}{A}$

Intermezzo: Differential Crosssection



Differential Crosssection: $\frac{d\sigma(E, E')}{dE'}$

→ Crosssection for an incoming particle of energy E to lose an energy between E' and $E'+dE'$

Total Crosssection: $\sigma(E) = \int \frac{d\sigma(E, E')}{dE'} dE'$

Probability $P(E)$ that an incoming particle of Energy E loses an energy between E' and $E'+dE'$ in a collision:

$$P(E, E')dE' = \frac{1}{\sigma(E)} \frac{d\sigma(E, E')}{dE'} dE'$$

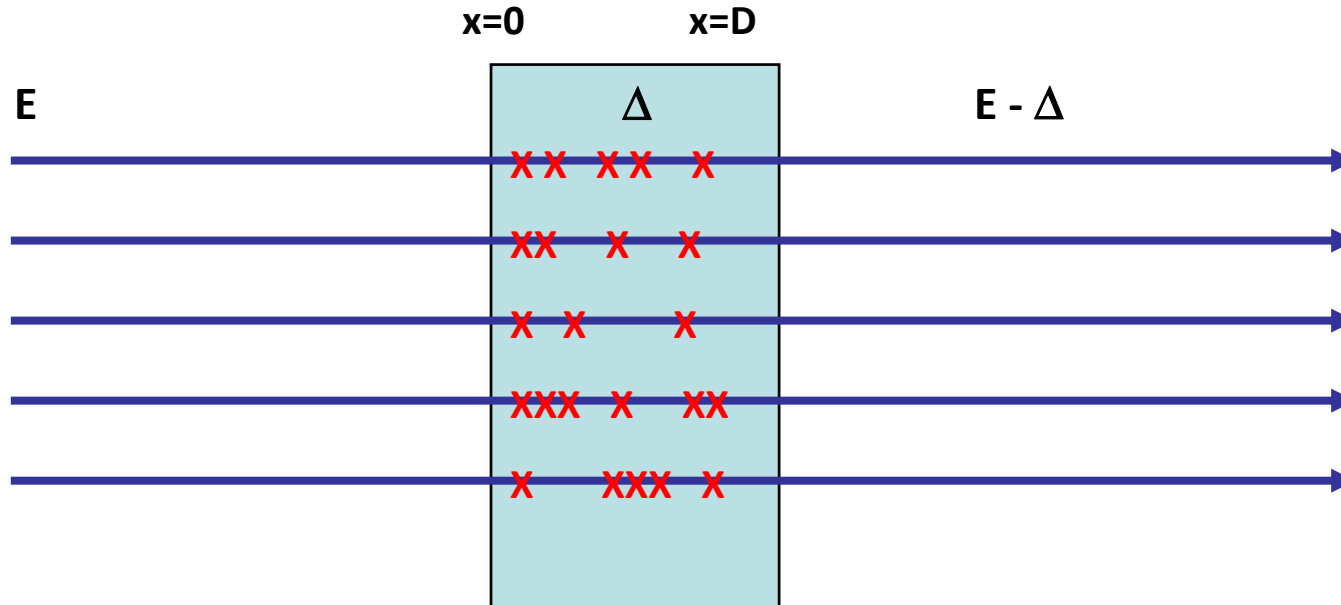
Average number of collisions/cm causing an energy loss between E' and $E'+dE'$ $= \frac{N_A \rho}{A} \frac{d\sigma(E, E')}{dE'}$

Average energy loss/cm: $\frac{dE}{dx} = -\frac{N_A \rho}{A} \int E' \frac{d\sigma(E, E')}{dE'} dE'$

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Fluctuation of Energy Loss

Up to now we have calculated the average energy loss. The energy loss is however a statistical process and will therefore fluctuate from event to event.



$P(\Delta) = ?$ Probability that a particle loses an energy Δ when traversing a material of thickness D

We have seen earlier that the probability of an interaction occurring between distance x and $x+dx$ is exponentially distributed

$$P(x)dx = \frac{1}{\lambda} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\lambda}\right) dx \quad \lambda = \frac{A}{N_A \rho \sigma}$$

Probability for n Interactions in D

We first calculate the probability to find n interactions in D, knowing that the probability to find a distance x between two interactions is $P(x)dx = 1/\lambda \exp(-x/\lambda) dx$ with $\lambda = A/N_A\rho\sigma$

Probability to have no interaction between 0 und D:

$$P(x > D) = \int_D^\infty P(x_1)dx_1 = e^{-\frac{D}{\lambda}}$$

Probability to have one interaction at x_1 and no other interaction:

$$P(x_1, x_2 > D) = \int_D^\infty P(x_1)P(x_2 - x_1)dx_2 = \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\frac{D}{\lambda}}$$

Probability to have one interaction independently of x_1 :

$$\int_0^D P(x_1, x_2 > D) = \frac{D}{\lambda} e^{-\frac{D}{\lambda}}$$

Probability to have the first interaction at x_1 , the second at x_2 the n^{th} at x_n and no other interaction:

$$P(x_1, x_2 \dots x_n > D) = \int_D^\infty P(x_1)P(x_2 - x_1) \dots P(x_n - x_{n-1})dx_n = \frac{1}{\lambda^n} e^{-\frac{D}{\lambda}}$$

Probability for n interactions independently of $x_1, x_2 \dots x_n$

$$\int_0^D \int_0^{x_{n-1}} \int_0^{x_{n-1}} \dots \int_0^{x_1} P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > D) dx_1 \dots dx_{n-1} = \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{D}{\lambda}\right)^n e^{-\frac{D}{\lambda}}$$

Probability for n Interactions in D

For an interaction with a mean free path of λ , the probability for n interactions on a distance D is given by

$$P(n) = \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{D}{\lambda} \right)^n e^{-\frac{D}{\lambda}} = \frac{\bar{n}^n}{n!} e^{-\bar{n}} \quad \bar{n} = \frac{D}{\lambda} \quad \lambda = \frac{A}{N_A \rho \sigma}$$

→ Poisson Distribution !

If the distance between interactions is exponentially distributed with an mean free path of λ → the number of interactions on a distance D is Poisson distributed with an average of $\bar{n}=D/\lambda$.

How do we find the energy loss distribution ?

If $f(E)$ is the probability to lose the energy E' in an interaction, the probability $p(E)$ to lose an energy E over the distance D ?

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dE}$$

$$p(E) = P(1)f(E) + P(2) \int_0^E f(E-E')f(E')dE' + P(3) \int_0^E \int_0^{E'} f(E-E'-E'')f(E'')f(E')dE''dE' + \dots$$

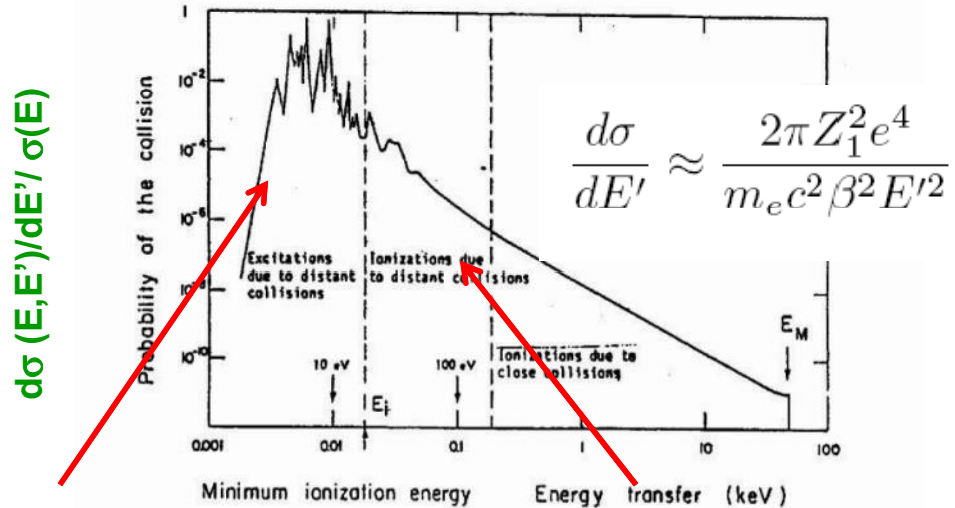
$$F(s) = \mathcal{L}[f(E)] = \int_0^\infty f(E)e^{-sE}dE$$

$$\mathcal{L}[p(E)] = P(1)F(s) + P(2)F(s)^2 + P(3)F(s)^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(n)F(s)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\bar{n}^n F^n}{n!} e^{-\bar{n}} = e^{\bar{n}(F(s)-1)} - 1 \approx e^{\bar{n}(F(s)-1)}$$

$$p(E) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{\bar{n}(F(s)-1)} \right] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\sigma-i\infty}^{\sigma+i\infty} e^{\bar{n}(F(s)-1)+sE} ds$$

Fluctuations of the Energy Loss

Probability $f(E)$ for losing energy between E' and $E'+dE'$ in a single interaction is given by the differential cross section $d\sigma(E, E')/dE' / \sigma(E)$ which is given by the Rutherford cross section at large energy transfers



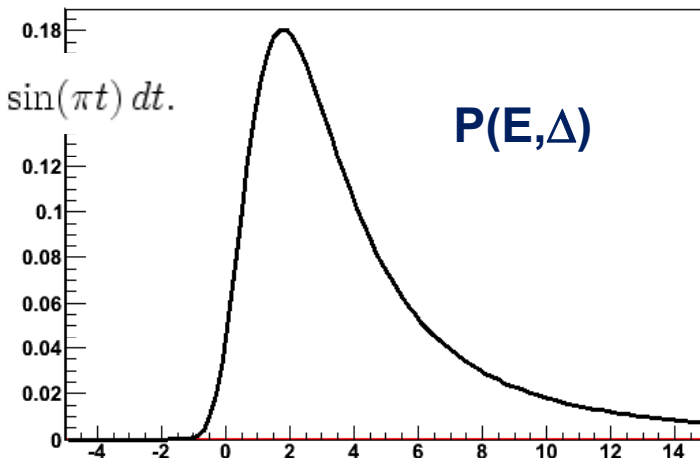
Excitation and ionization

Scattering on free electrons

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \exp(s \log s + xs) ds = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \exp(-t \log t - xt) \sin(\pi t) dt.$$

$$x = \frac{E}{\bar{n}\epsilon} + C_\gamma - 1 - \ln \bar{n} \qquad \bar{n} = \frac{N_A \rho Z_2 k D}{A \epsilon}$$

$$\ln \epsilon = \ln \frac{I^2}{E_{max}} + 2\beta^2$$



Landau Distribution

Landau Distribution

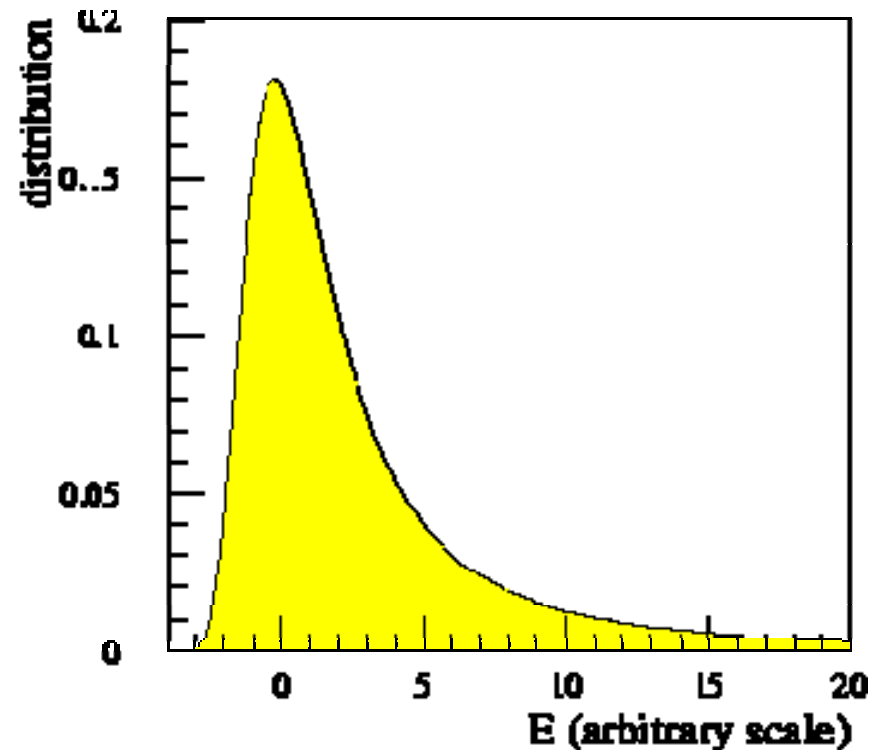
$P(\Delta)$: Probability for energy loss Δ in matter of thickness D .

Landau distribution is very asymmetric.

Average and most probable energy loss must be distinguished !

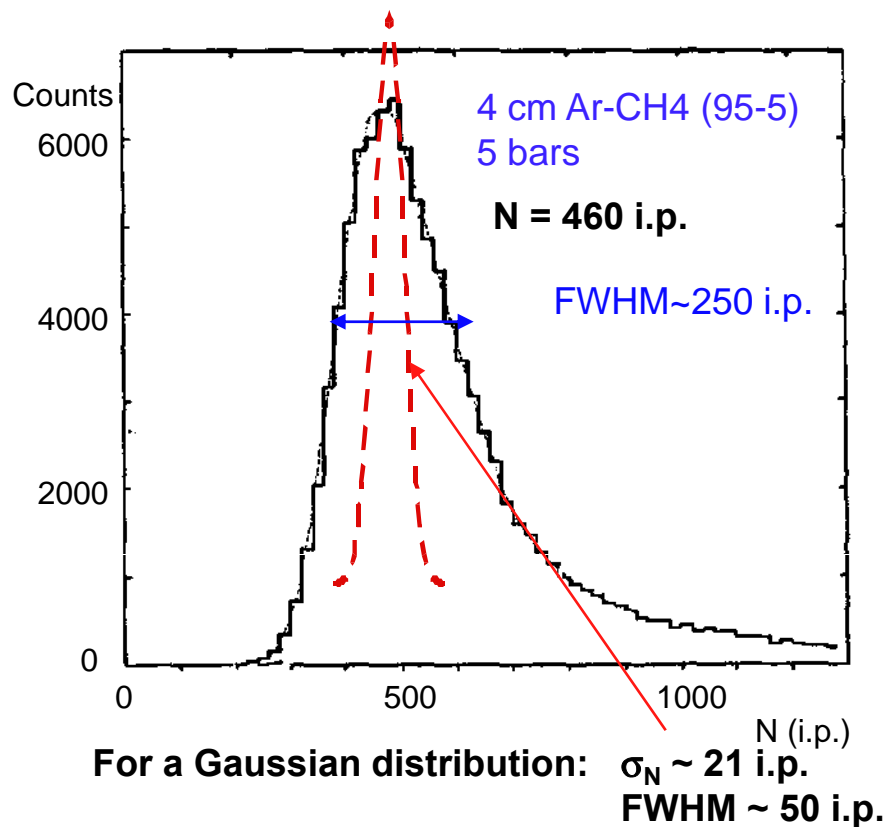
Measured Energy Loss is usually smaller than the real energy loss:

3 GeV Pion: $E'_{\max} = 450\text{MeV} \rightarrow$ A 450 MeV Electron usually leaves the detector.



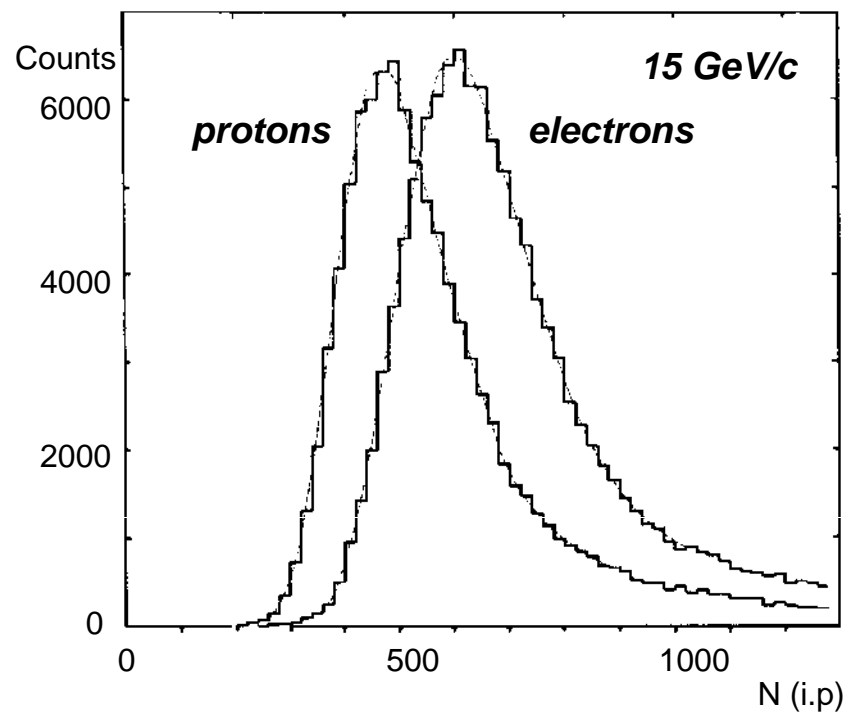
Landau Distribution

LANDAU DISTRIBUTION OF ENERGY LOSS:



PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

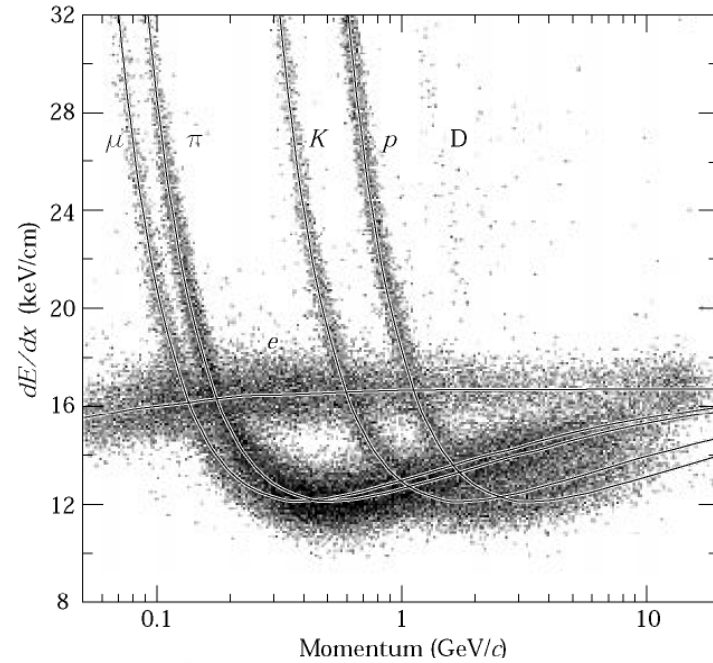
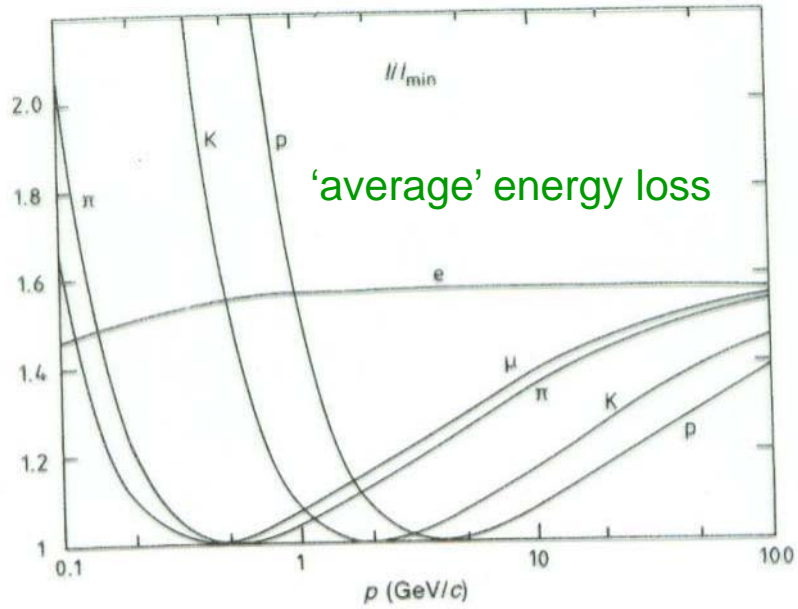
Requires statistical analysis of hundreds of samples



I. Lehraus et al, Phys. Scripta 23(1981)727

Particle Identification

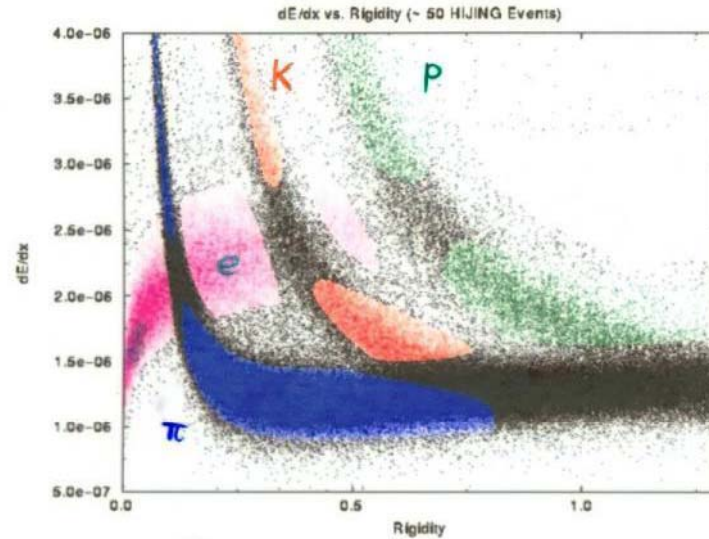
Measured energy loss



BLUE => PIONS RED => KAONS GREEN => PROTONS MAGENTA => ELECTRONS BLACK => NO ID POSSIBLE

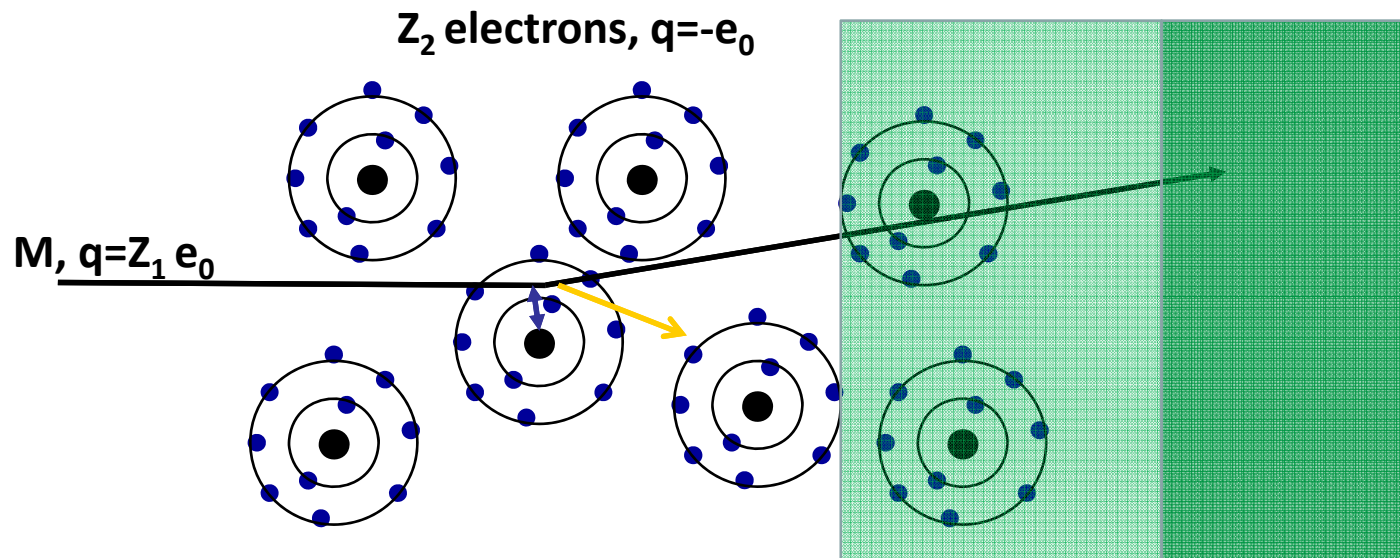
In certain momentum ranges, particles can be identified by measuring the energy loss.

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Bremsstrahlung

A charged particle of mass M and charge $q=Z_1e$ is deflected by a nucleus of charge Ze which is partially 'shielded' by the electrons. During this deflection the charge is 'accelerated' and it therefore radiated \rightarrow Bremsstrahlung.



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Bremsstrahlung, Classical



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{2Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 p \cdot v} \right)^2 \frac{1}{(2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2})^4} \quad p = M v \gamma$$

"Rutherford Scattering"

Written in Terms of Momentum Transfer $Q^2 = 2p^2(1 - \cos\theta)$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ} = 8\pi \left(\frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \beta c} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{Q^2}$$



→ From Maxwell's Eq (Jackson)

$$\lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{dI}{d\omega} \sim \frac{2}{3\pi} \frac{Z_1^2 e^2}{M^2 c^3} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} Q^2 \text{, Radiated Energy between } \omega, \omega + d\omega$$

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{N_A g}{A} \cdot \int_0^{Q_{max}} \int_{Q_{min}} d\omega \int dQ \frac{dI}{d\omega} \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{dQ} \quad , \quad \omega_{max} = \frac{E}{\hbar}$$

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{N_A g}{A} \cdot \frac{16}{3} d \cdot Z^2 \cdot \left(\frac{Z_1^2 e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 M c^2} \right)^2 \cdot E \cdot \ln \frac{Q_{max}}{Q_{min}}$$

$$d = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar c} \sim \frac{1}{137}$$

A charged particle of mass M and charge $q=Z_1e$ is deflected by a nucleus of Charge Ze .

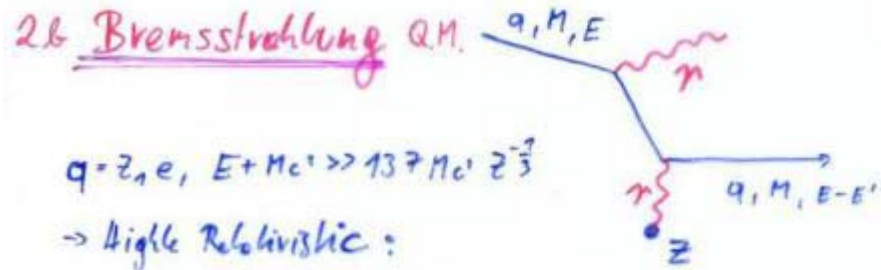
Because of the acceleration the particle radiated EM waves → energy loss.

Coulomb-Scattering (Rutherford Scattering) describes the deflection of the particle.

Maxwell's Equations describe the radiated energy for a given momentum transfer.

→ dE/dx

Bremsstrahlung, QM



$$\frac{d\sigma(E, E')}{dE'} = 4 Z^2 z_1^4 \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{Mc^2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{E'} \right) F(E, E')$$

$$F(E, E') = \left[1 + \left(1 - \frac{E'}{E + Mc^2} \right)^2 - \frac{2}{3} \left(1 - \frac{E'}{E + Mc^2} \right) \right] \ln 183 z_1^{-2} + \frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{E'}{E + Mc^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = - \frac{N_A \rho}{A} \int_0^E E' \frac{d\sigma}{dE'} dE' \approx 4 Z^2 z_1^4 \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{Mc^2} \right)^2 E \left[\ln 183 z_1^{-2} + \frac{1}{18} \right]$$

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = - \frac{N_A \rho}{A} 4 Z^2 z_1^4 \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{Mc^2} \right)^2 E \ln(183 z_1^{-2})$$

$$E(x) = E_0 e^{-\frac{x}{X_0}} \quad X_0 = \frac{A}{4 Z^2 N_A \rho z_1^4 \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{Mc^2} \right)^2 \ln 183 z_1^{-2}}$$

X_0 ... Radiation length

Proportional to Z^2/A of the Material.

Proportional to Z_1^4 of the incoming particle.

Proportional to ρ of the material.

Proportional $1/M^2$ of the incoming particle.

Proportional to the Energy of the Incoming particle \rightarrow

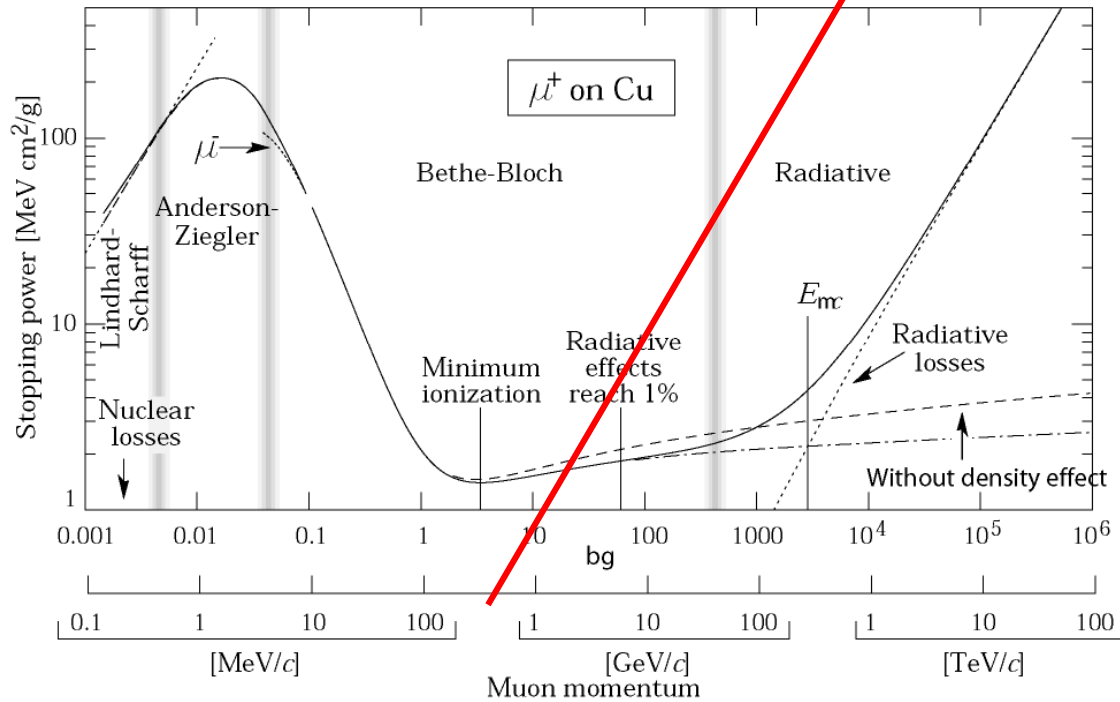
$E(x) = \text{Exp}(-x/X_0)$ – ‘Radiation Length’

$$X_0 \propto M^2 A / (\rho Z_1^4 Z^2)$$

X_0 : Distance where the Energy E_0 of the incoming particle decreases $E_0 \text{Exp}(-1) = 0.37 E_0$.

Critical Energy

such as copper to about 1% accuracy for energies between about 6 MeV and 6 GeV



Electron Momentum 5 50 500 MeV/c

Critical Energy: If dE/dx (Ionization) = dE/dx (Bremsstrahlung)

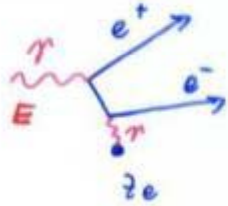
Myon in Copper: $p \approx 400\text{GeV}$

Electron in Copper: $p \approx 20\text{MeV}$

For the muon, the second lightest particle after the electron, the critical energy is at 400GeV.

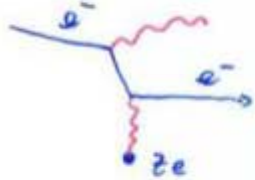
The EM Bremsstrahlung is therefore only relevant for electrons at energies of past and present detectors.

Pair Production, QM



$$\gamma + \text{Nucl.} \rightarrow e^+ + e^- + \text{Nucl.}$$

The Diagram is very similar to Bremsstrahlung



$$e^- + \text{Nucl.} \rightarrow \gamma + e^- + \text{Nucl.}$$

*Crossing Symmetry: bring particle to the other side and make it the anti-particle + 'some' correction ...

$$\frac{d\sigma(E, E')}{dE'} = 4\pi Z^2 v_0^2 \frac{1}{E} \cdot G(E, E') \quad E \gg 137 m_e c^2 Z^{-1/3}$$

$$G(E, E') = \left[\left(\frac{E'+m_e c^2}{E} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{E'+m_e c^2}{E} \right)^2 + \frac{2}{3} \frac{E'+m_e c^2}{E} \left(1 - \frac{E'+m_e c^2}{E} \right) \ln \frac{E}{E'+m_e c^2} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{E'+m_e c^2}{E} \left(1 - \frac{E'+m_e c^2}{E} \right) \right]$$

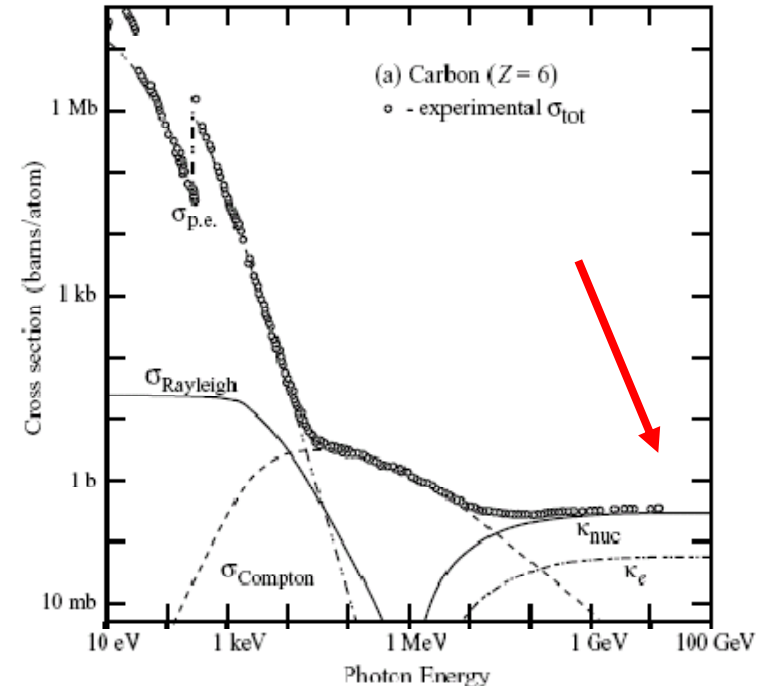
$$\sigma = \int_0^{E-2m_e c^2} \frac{d\sigma}{dE'} dE' = 4\pi Z^2 v_0^2 \cdot \frac{7}{3} \ln 183 Z^{-1/3}$$

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{x}{\lambda}} \quad \lambda = \frac{A}{9 N_A \sigma} = \frac{9}{7} X_0$$

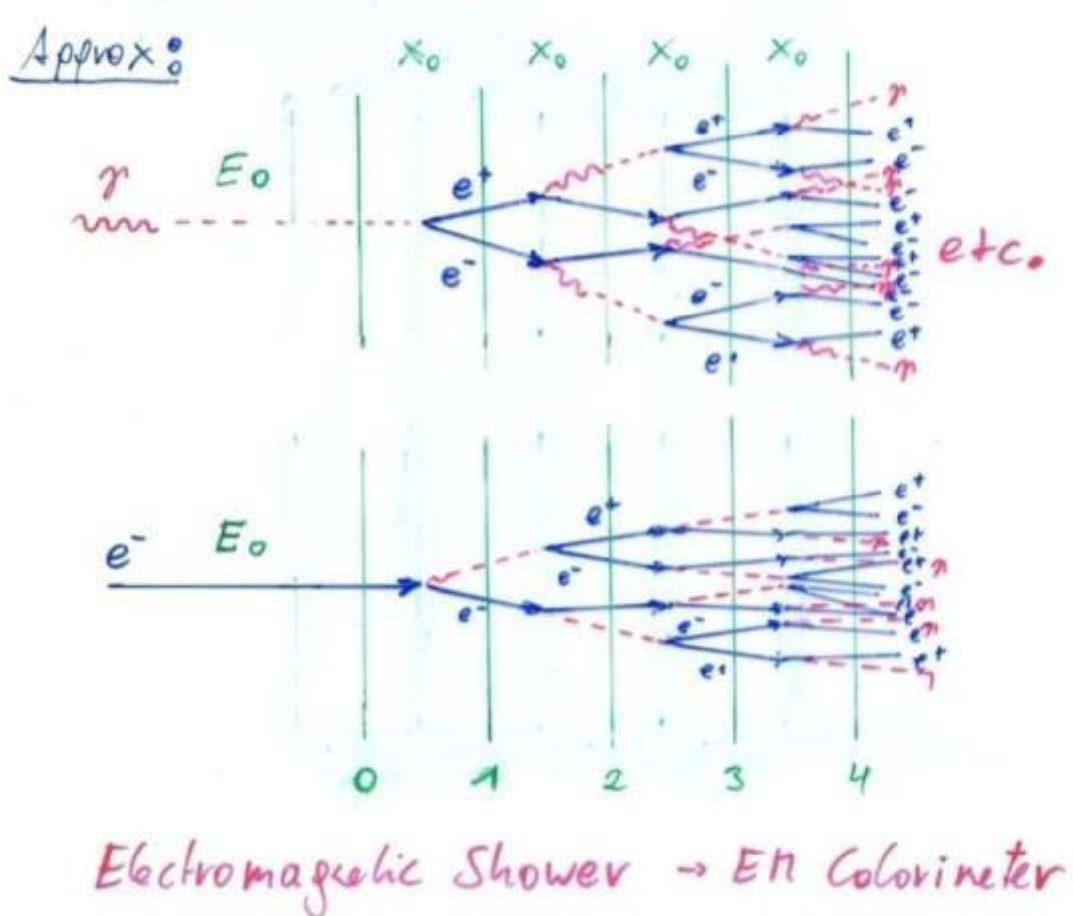
↳ Probability that Photon converts to $e^+ e^-$ after a distance x .

For $E_\gamma \gg m_e c^2 = 0.5 \text{ MeV}$: $\lambda = 9/7 X_0$

Average distance a high energy photon has to travel before it converts into an $e^+ e^-$ pair is equal to 9/7 of the distance that a high energy electron has to travel before reducing its energy from E_0 to $E_0 \cdot \text{Exp}(-1)$ by photon radiation.



Bremsstrahlung + Pair Production \rightarrow EM Shower



Multiple Scattering

Statistical (quite complex) analysis of multiple collisions gives:

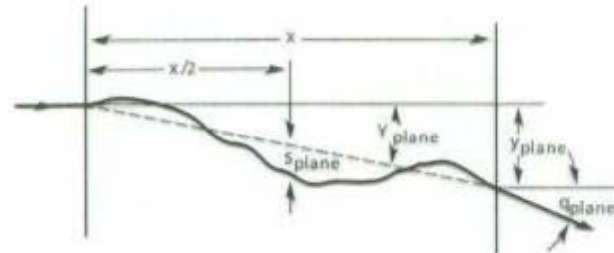
Probability that a particle is deflected by an angle θ after travelling a distance x in the material is given by a Gaussian distribution with sigma of:

$$\Theta_0 = \frac{0.0136}{\beta c p [\text{GeV}/c]} Z_1 \sqrt{\frac{x}{X_0}}$$

X_0 ... Radiation length of the material

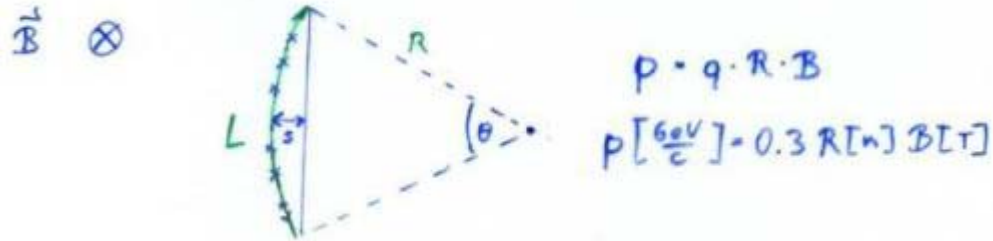
Z_1 ... Charge of the particle

p ... Momentum of the particle



Multiple Scattering

Magnetic Spectrometer: A charged particle describes a circle in a magnetic field:



$$L = R \cdot \theta$$

$$S = R \left(1 - \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \sim R \frac{\theta^2}{8} = \frac{L^2}{8R} \rightarrow R = \frac{L^2}{8S}$$

$$\Delta p = 0.3 B \Delta R = 0.3 B \frac{L^2}{8S^2} \Delta S$$

$$\Delta S = \frac{\sigma_x}{\sqrt{N}} \quad \sigma_x \dots \text{point resolution, } N \dots \text{Measurement Points}$$

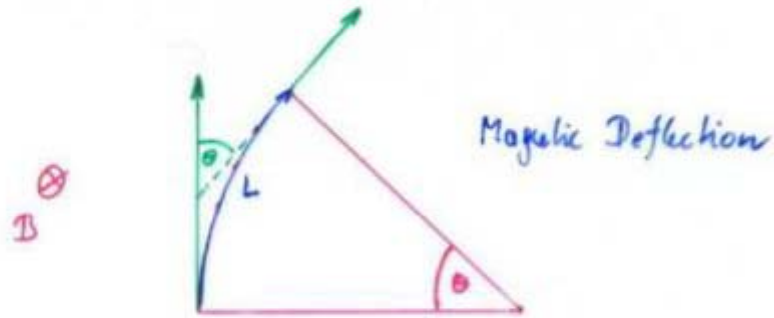
$$\frac{\Delta p}{p} = \frac{\Delta S}{S} = \frac{\sigma_x [\text{m}]}{\sqrt{N}} \cdot \frac{3.3 \cdot 8 p \left[\frac{\text{GeV}}{c} \right]}{B [\text{T}] \cdot L^2 [\text{m}^2]}$$

E.g: $p = 10 \frac{\text{GeV}}{c}$, $B = 1 \text{T}$, $L = 1 \text{m}$, $\sigma_x = 200 \mu\text{m}$, $N = 25$

$$\frac{\Delta p}{p} = 0.01 \rightarrow 1\%$$

Limit \rightarrow Multiple Scattering

Multiple Scattering



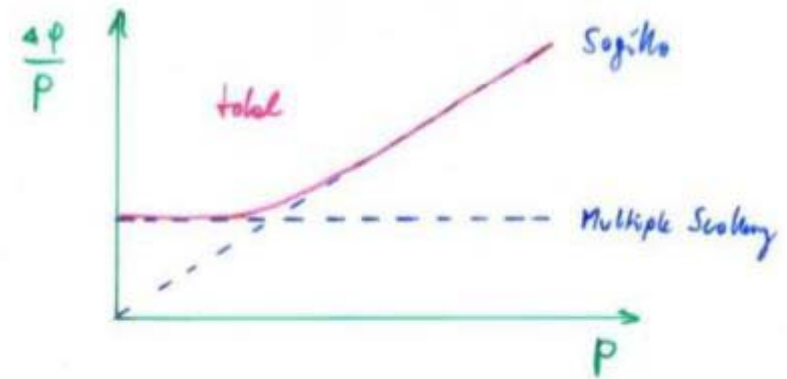
$$p \left[\frac{\text{GeV}}{c} \right] = 0.3 R [\text{m}] B [\text{T}]$$

$$\theta = \frac{L}{R} = \frac{L}{p} \cdot 0.3 B$$

$$\frac{\Delta p}{p} = \frac{\Delta \theta}{\theta} = \frac{\theta_0}{\theta} \approx \frac{0.05}{3 B [\text{T}] L [\text{m}]} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{L}{x_0}}$$

→ Independent of p

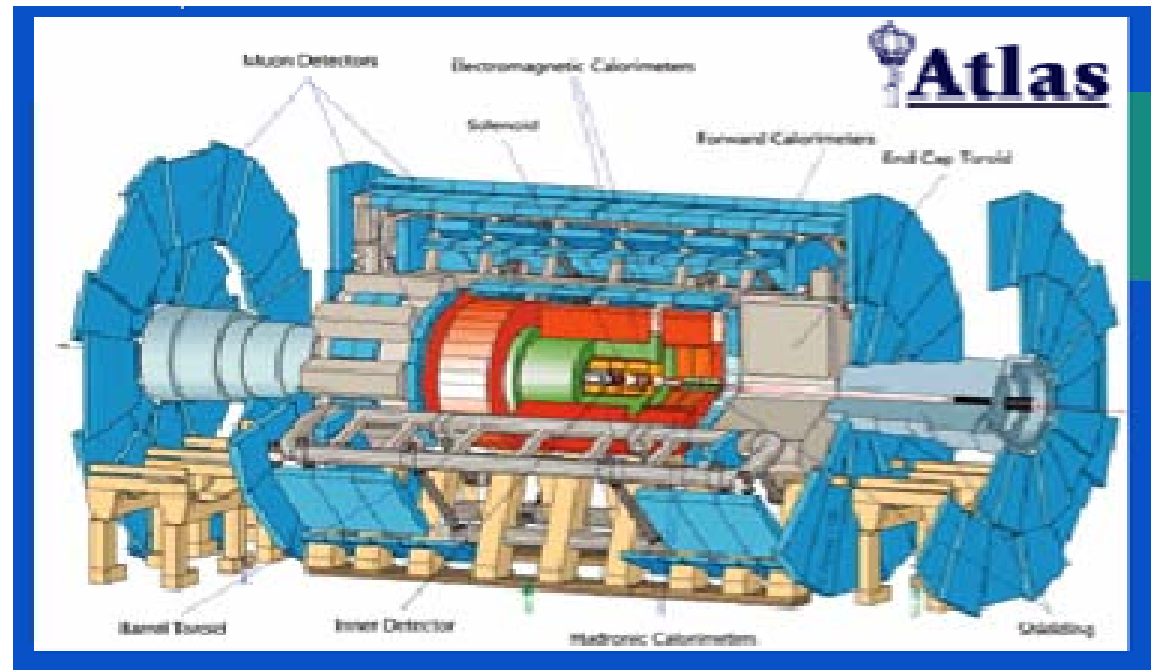
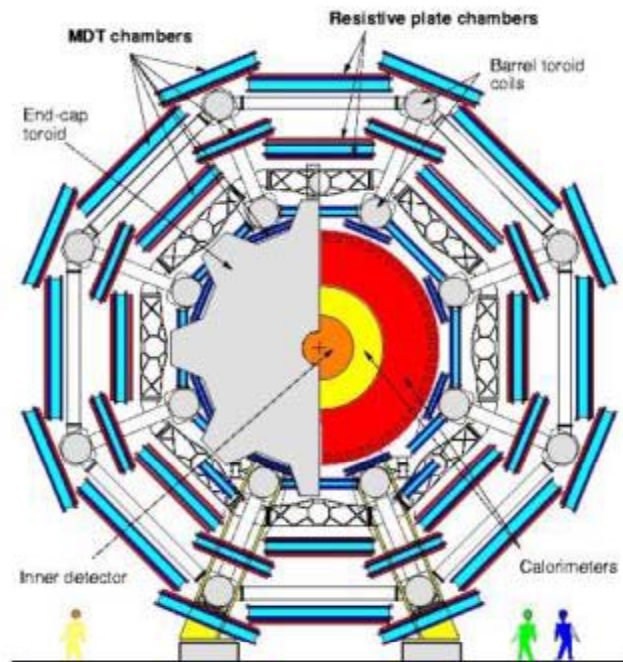
$$\frac{\Delta p}{p} \Big|_{\text{tot}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\Delta p}{p} \Big|_{\text{Sag}} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta p}{p} \Big|_{\text{ms}} \right)^2}$$



Multiple Scattering

ATLAS Muon Spectrometer:
N=3, $\sigma=50\mu\text{m}$, P=1TeV,
L=5m, B=0.4T

$\Delta p/p \sim 8\%$ for the most energetic muons at LHC



Cherenkov Radiation

If we describe the passage of a charged particle through material of dielectric permittivity ϵ_1 (using Maxwell's equations) the differential energy cross-section is >0 if the velocity of the particle is larger than the velocity of light in the medium is

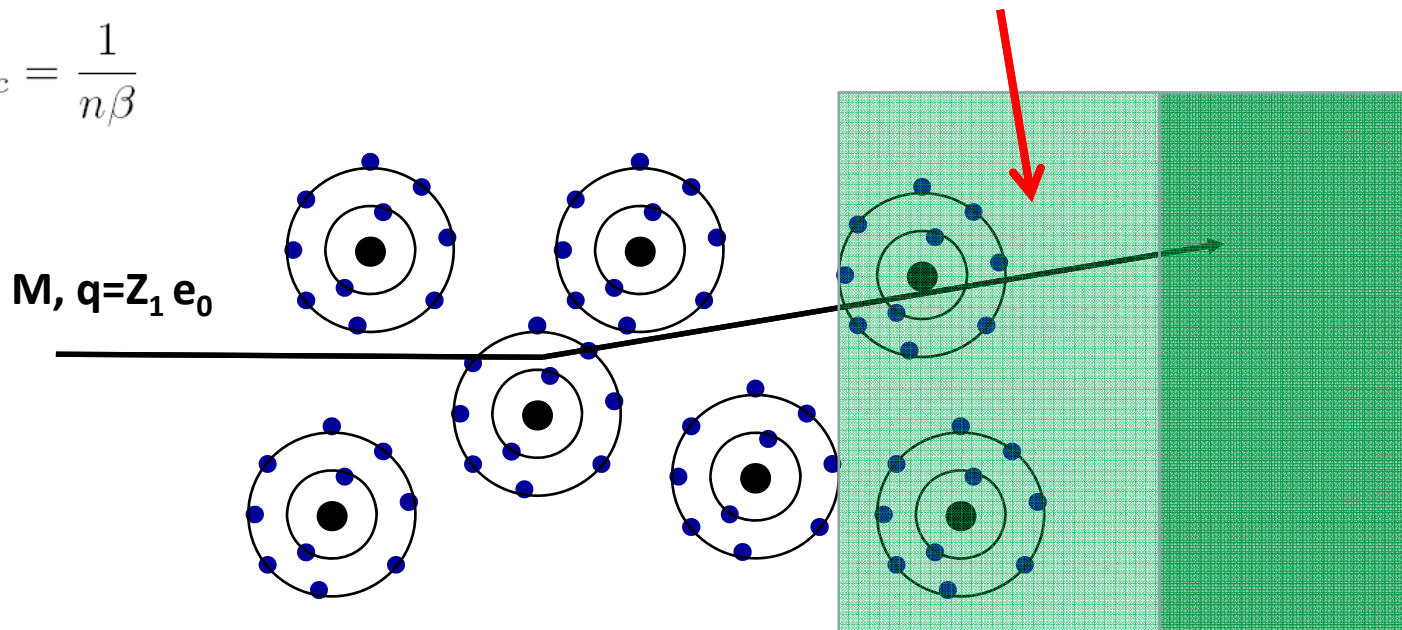
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta^2 \pi} \frac{A}{N_{Ap} Z_2 \hbar c} \left(\beta^2 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1} \right) \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{N_{Ap} Z_2}{A} \frac{d\sigma}{d\omega} \frac{d\omega}{dE} = \frac{\alpha}{c} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2 n^2} \right) \quad n = \sqrt{\epsilon_1} \quad E = \hbar\omega$$

$$\frac{dE}{dx d\omega} \frac{1}{\hbar} = \frac{\alpha}{c} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2 n^2} \right) \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{dN}{dx d\lambda} = \frac{2\pi\alpha}{\lambda^2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2 n^2} \right) \quad \omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda}$$

N is the number of Cherenkov Photons emitted per cm of material. The expression is in addition proportional to Z_1^2 of the incoming particle.

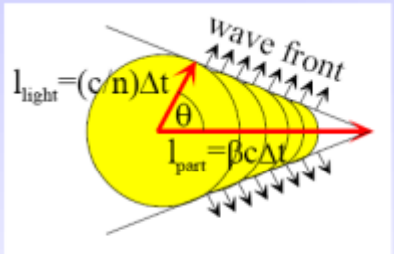
The radiation is emitted at the characteristic angle Θ_c , that is related to the refractive index n and the particle velocity by

$$\cos \Theta_c = \frac{1}{n\beta}$$



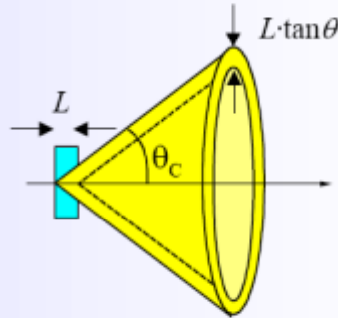
Cherenkov Radiation

with velocity $\beta \geq \beta_{thr} = \frac{1}{n}$ n : refractive index



$$\cos \theta_C = \frac{1}{n\beta}$$

with $n = n(\lambda) \geq 1$



■ $\beta_{thr} = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow \theta_C \approx 0$ Cherenkov threshold

■ $\theta_{max} = \arccos \frac{1}{n}$ 'saturated' angle ($\beta=1$)

If the velocity of a charged particle is larger than the velocity of light in the medium $v > \frac{c}{n}$ (n ... refractive index of material) it emits 'Cherenkov' radiation at a characteristic angle of $\cos \theta_C = \frac{1}{n\beta}$ ($\beta = \frac{v}{c}$)

$$\frac{dN}{dx} \sim 2\pi d z^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2 n^2}\right) \frac{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1}{\lambda_2 \cdot \lambda_1}$$

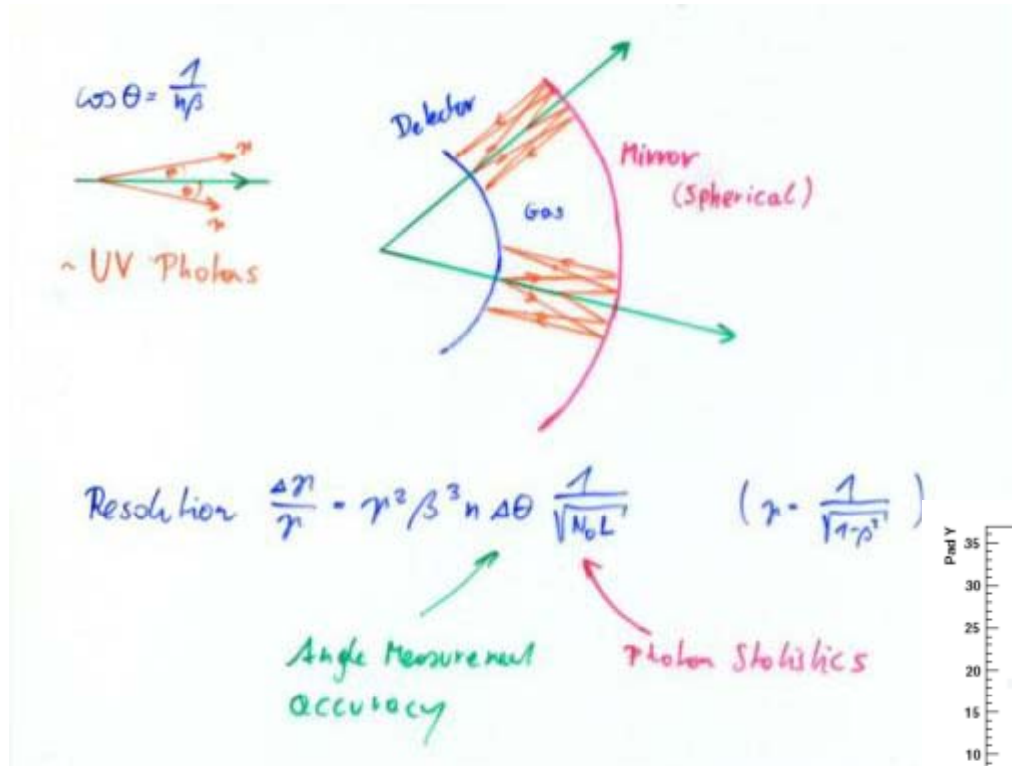
= Number of emitted photons/length with λ between λ_1 and λ_2

with $\lambda_1 = 400\text{nm}$ $\lambda_2 = 700\text{nm}$

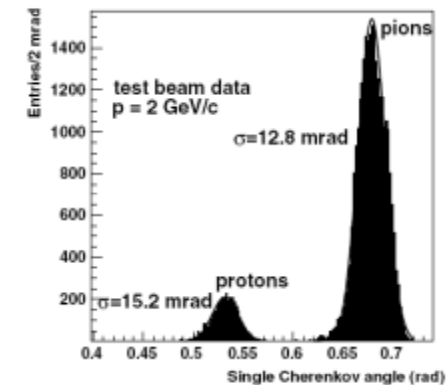
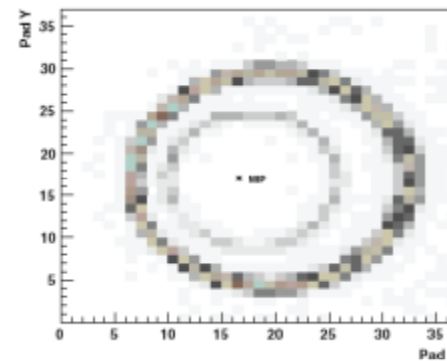
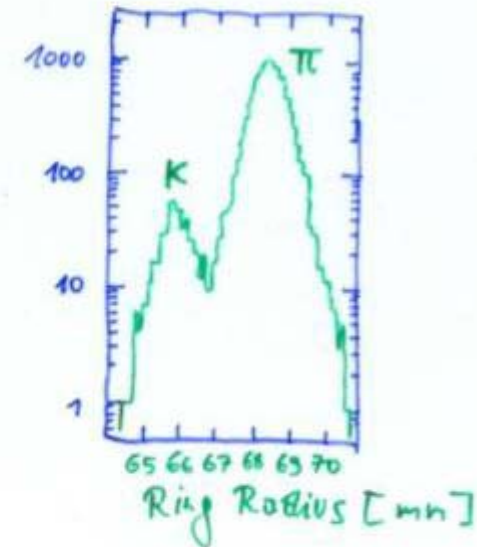
$$\frac{dN}{dx} = 490 \left(1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2 n^2}\right) \left[\frac{1}{\text{cm}}\right]$$

Material	$n-1$	β threshold	γ threshold
solid Sodium	3.22	0.24	1.029
lead glass	0.67	0.60	1.25
water	0.33	0.75	1.52
Silica aerogel	0.025-0.075	0.93-0.976	2.7 - 4.6
air	$2.93 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.9997	41.2
He	$3.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.99997	123

Ring Imaging Cherenkov Detector (RICH)



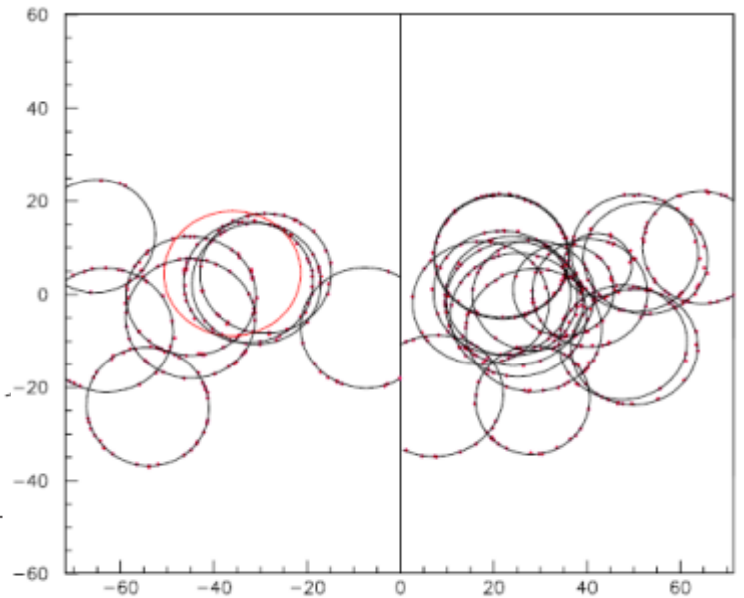
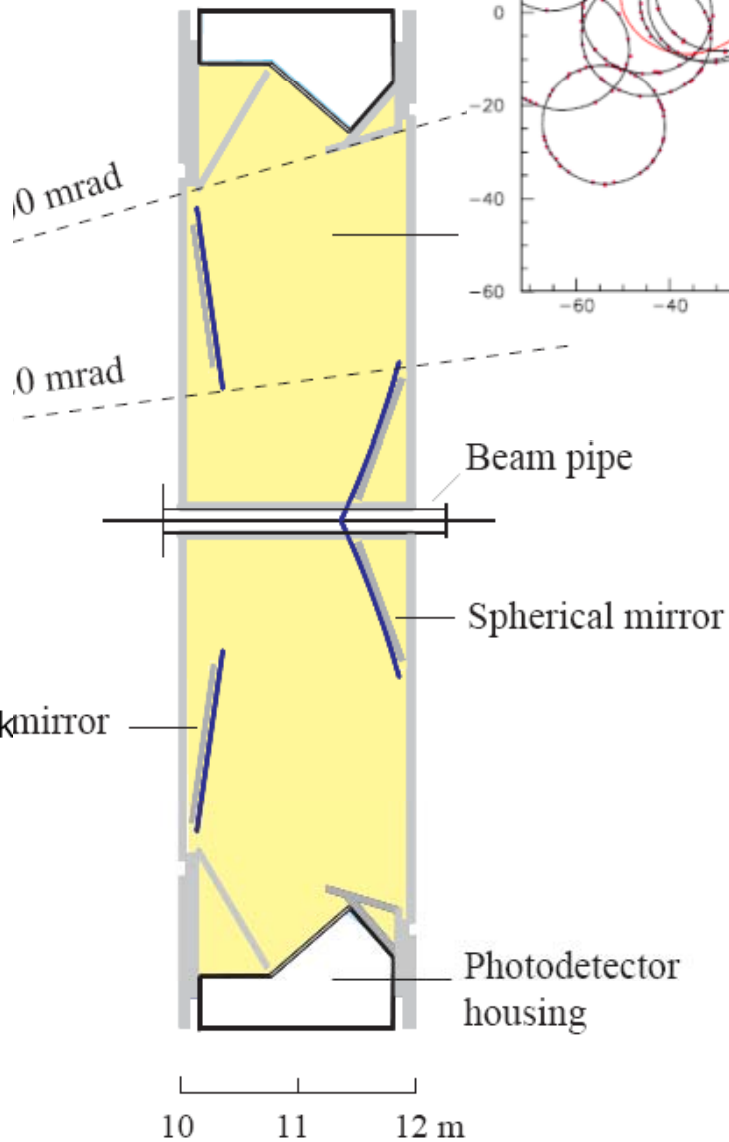
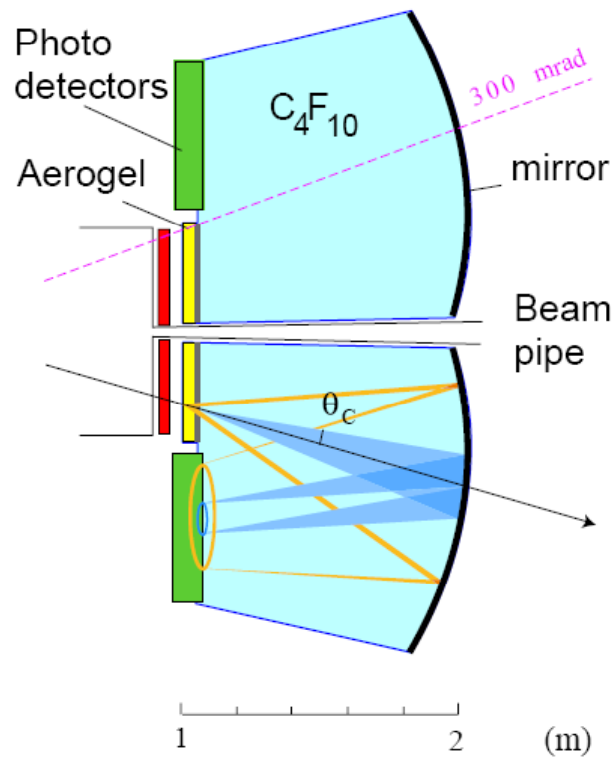
200 $\frac{\text{GeV}}{c}$ K, π



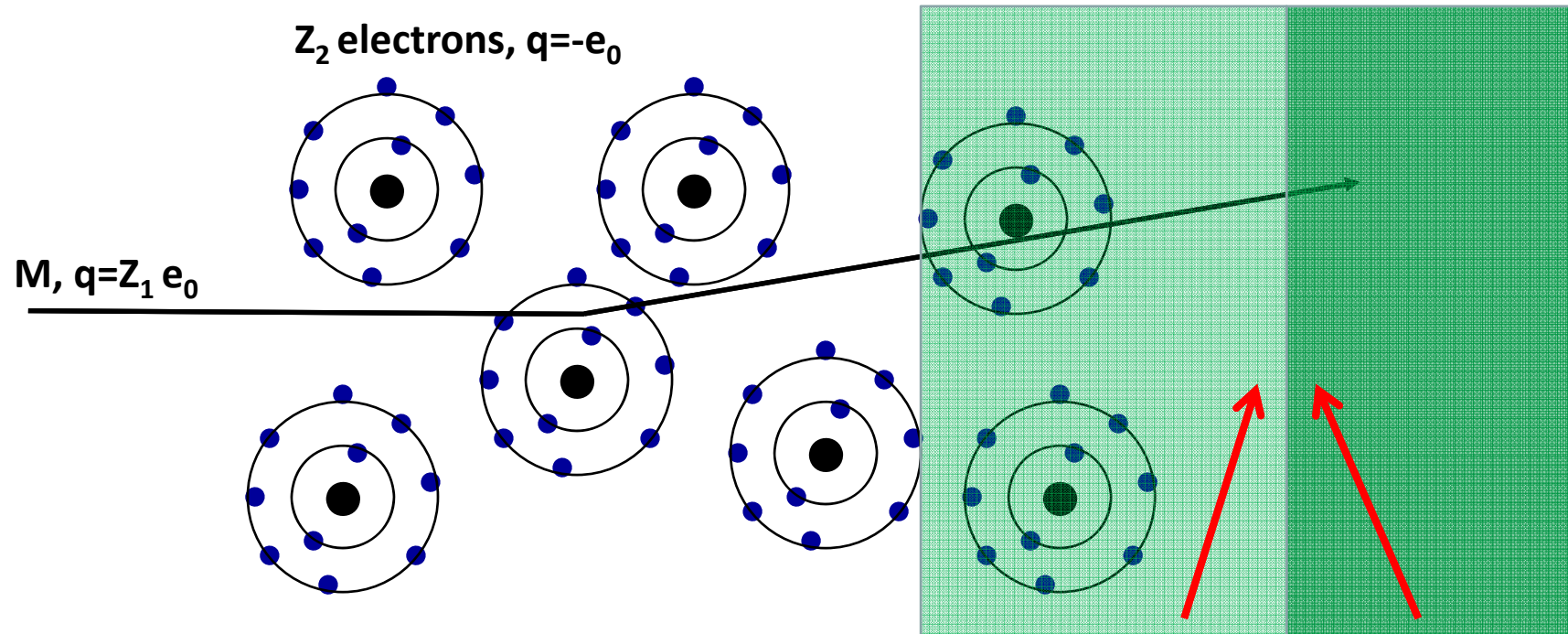
There are only 'a few' photons per event → one needs highly sensitive photon detectors to measure the rings !

medium	n	θ_{\max} (deg.)	N_{ph} ($\text{eV}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$)
air*	1.000283	1.36	0.208
isobutane*	1.00127	2.89	0.941
water	1.33	41.2	160.8
quartz	1.46	46.7	196.4

LHCb RICH



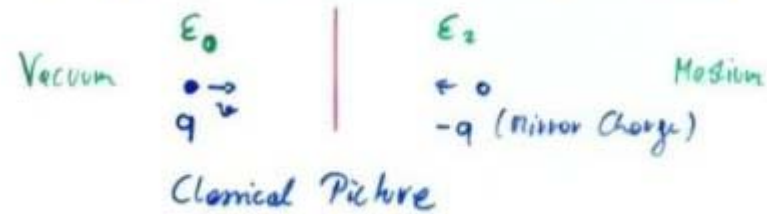
Transition Radiation



When the particle crosses the boundary between two media, there is a probability of the order of 1% to produce an X-ray photon, called Transition radiation.

Transition Radiation

Radiation (\sim keV) emitted by ultra-relativistic particles when they traverse the boarder of 2 Materials of different Dielectric Permittivity (ϵ_1, ϵ_2)



$$q = Z_1 e$$

$$I = \frac{1}{3} d Z_1^2 (\hbar \omega_p) \gamma \dots \text{Radiated Energy per Transition}$$

$\hbar \omega_p \dots$ plasma Frequency of the Medium
 $\dots \sim 20 \text{ eV for Styrene}$

About half the Energy is radiated between

$$0.1 \hbar \omega_p \gamma < \hbar \omega < \hbar \omega_p \gamma$$

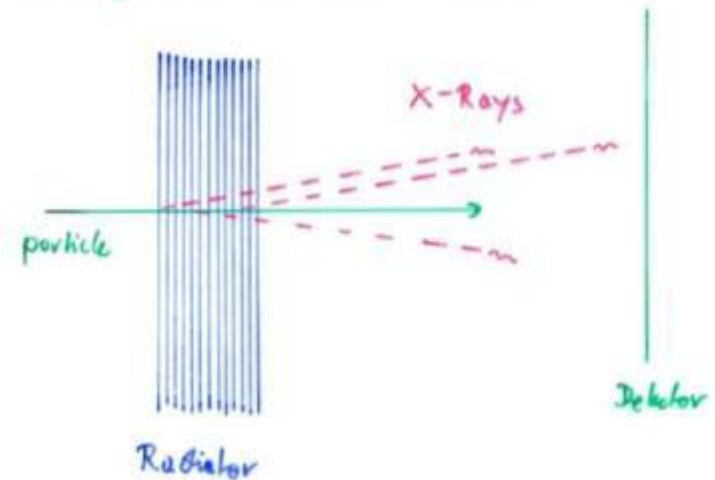
E.g. $\gamma = 1000$ 2-20 keV X-Rays

$$N_\gamma \sim \frac{2}{3} d Z_1^2 \sim 5 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot Z_1^2$$

γ - Dependence from hardening rather than N_γ

$$\text{Emission Angle} \sim \frac{1}{\gamma}$$

The Number of Photons can be increased by placing many foils of Material.



Electromagnetic Interaction of Particles with Matter

Ionization and Excitation:

Charged particles traversing material are exciting and ionizing the atoms.

The average energy loss of the incoming particle by this process is to a good approximation described by the Bethe Bloch formula.

The energy loss fluctuation is well approximated by the Landau distribution.

Multiple Scattering and Bremsstrahlung:

The incoming particles are scattering off the atomic nuclei which are partially shielded by the atomic electrons.

Measuring the particle momentum by deflection of the particle trajectory in the magnetic field, this scattering imposes a lower limit on the momentum resolution of the spectrometer.

The deflection of the particle on the nucleus results in an acceleration that causes emission of Bremsstrahlungs-Photons. These photons in turn produced e^+e^- pairs in the vicinity of the nucleus, which causes an EM cascade. This effect depends on the 2nd power of the particle mass, so it is only relevant for electrons.

Electromagnetic Interaction of Particles with Matter

Cherenkov Radiation:

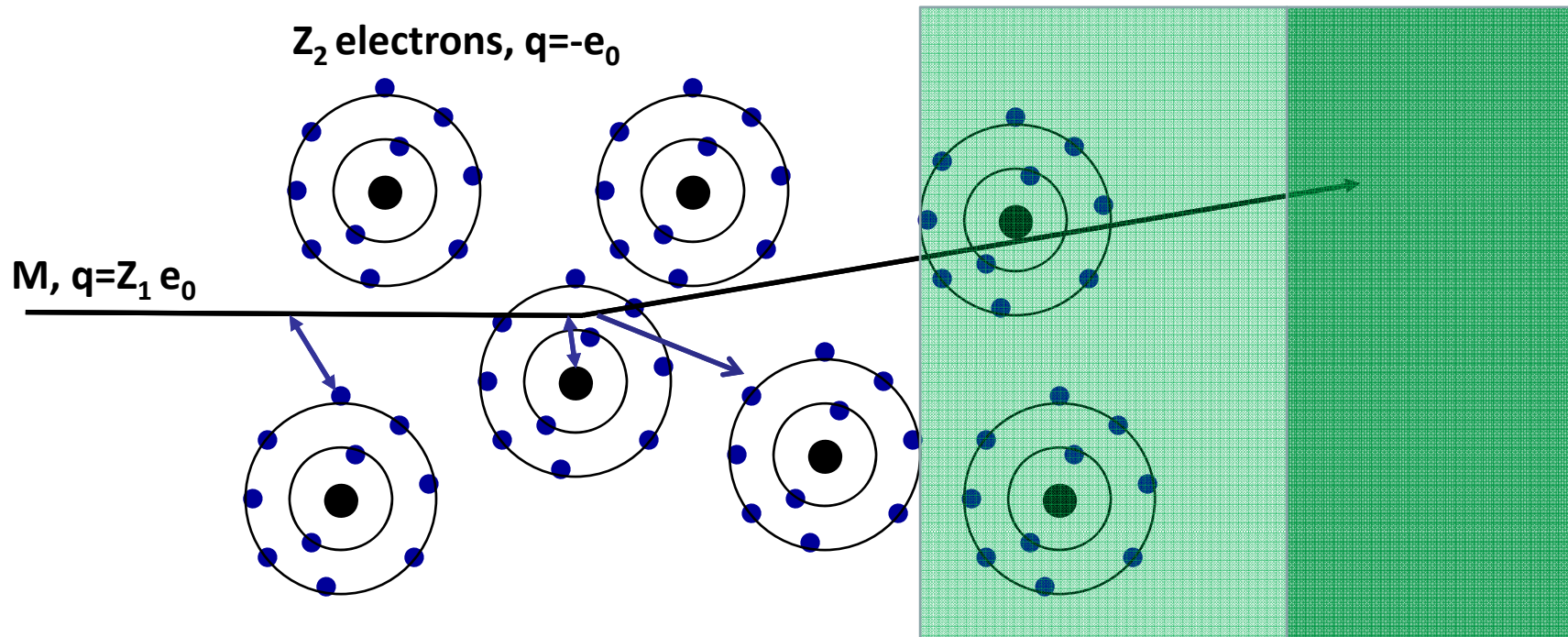
If a particle propagates in a material with a velocity larger than the speed of light in this material, Cherenkov radiation is emitted at a characteristic angle that depends on the particle velocity and the refractive index of the material.

Transition Radiation:

If a charged particle is crossing the boundary between two materials of different dielectric permittivity, there is a certain probability for emission of an X-ray photon.

→ The strong interaction of an incoming particle with matter is a process which is important for Hadron calorimetry and will be discussed later.

Electromagnetic Interaction of Particles with Matter



Now that we know all the Interactions we can talk about Detectors !

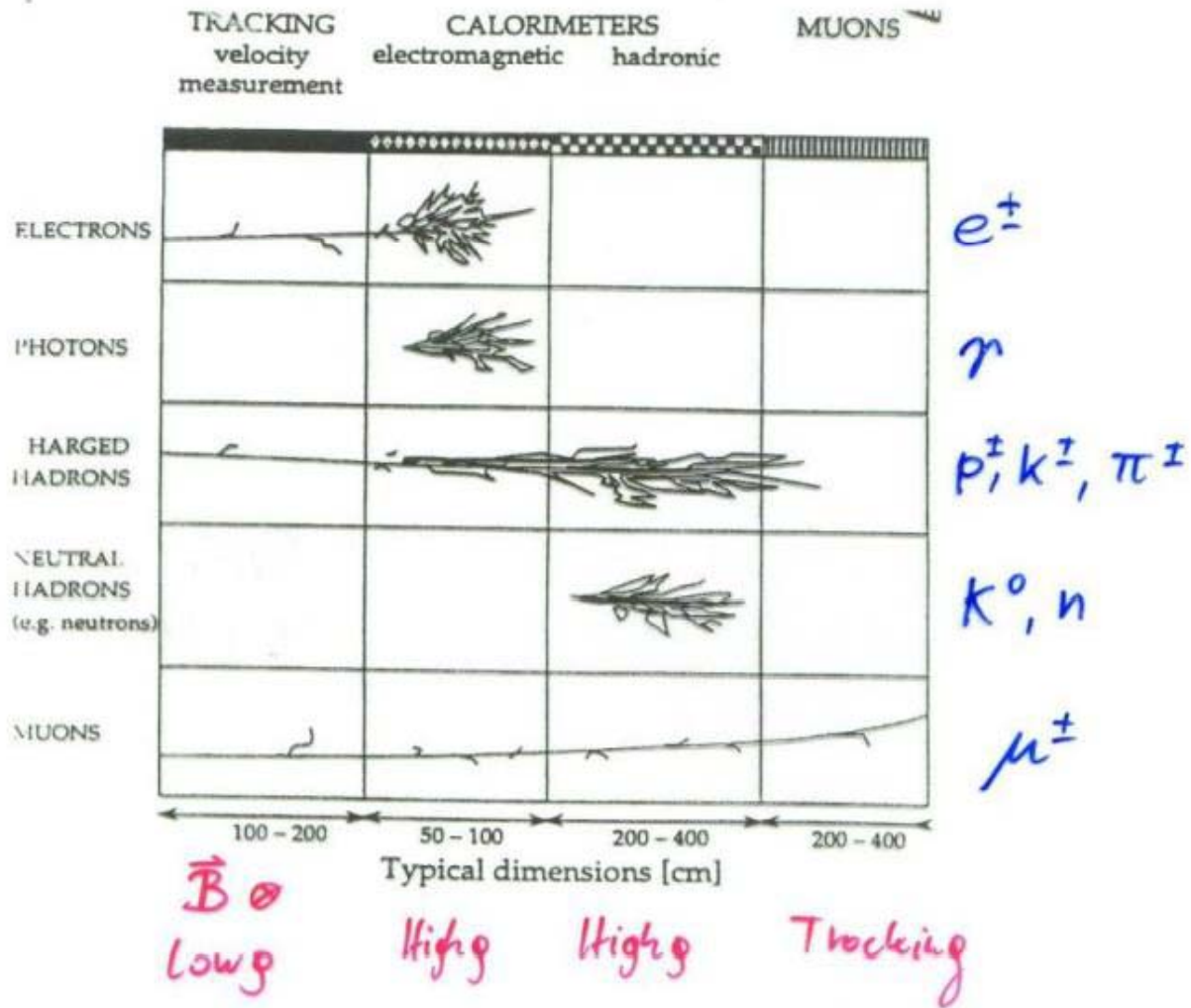
Interaction with the atomic electrons. The incoming particle loses energy and the atoms are excited or ionized.

Interaction with the atomic nucleus. The particle is deflected (scattered) causing multiple scattering of the particle in the material. During this scattering a Bremsstrahlung photon can be emitted.

In case the particle's velocity is larger than the velocity of light in the medium, the resulting EM shockwave manifests itself as Cherenkov Radiation. When the particle crosses the boundary between two media, there is a probability of the order of 1% to produce and X ray photon, called Transition radiation.

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Detectors based on registration of ionization: Tracking in Gas and Solid State Detectors

Charged particles leave a trail of ions (and excited atoms) along their path: Electron-Ion pairs in gases and liquids, electron hole pairs in solids.

The photons emitted by the excited atoms can be detected with photon detectors like photomultipliers or semiconductor photon detectors.

The produced charges can be registered → Position measurement → Tracking Detectors.

Cloud Chamber: Charges create drops → photography.

Bubble Chamber: Charges create bubbles → photography.

Emulsion: Charges 'blackened' the film.

Gas and Solid State Detectors: Moving Charges (electric fields) induce electronic signals on metallic electrodes that can be read by dedicated electronics.

→In solid state detectors the charge created by the incoming particle is sufficient.

→In gas detectors (e.g. wire chamber) the charges are internally multiplied in order to provide a measurable signal.

Principle of signal induction by moving charges:

A point charge q at a distance z_0

Above a grounded metal plate 'induces' a surface charge.

The total induced charge on the surface is $-q$.

Different positions of the charge result in different charge distributions.
The total induced charge stays $-q$.

The electric field of the charge must be calculated with the boundary condition that the potential $\phi=0$ at $z=0$.

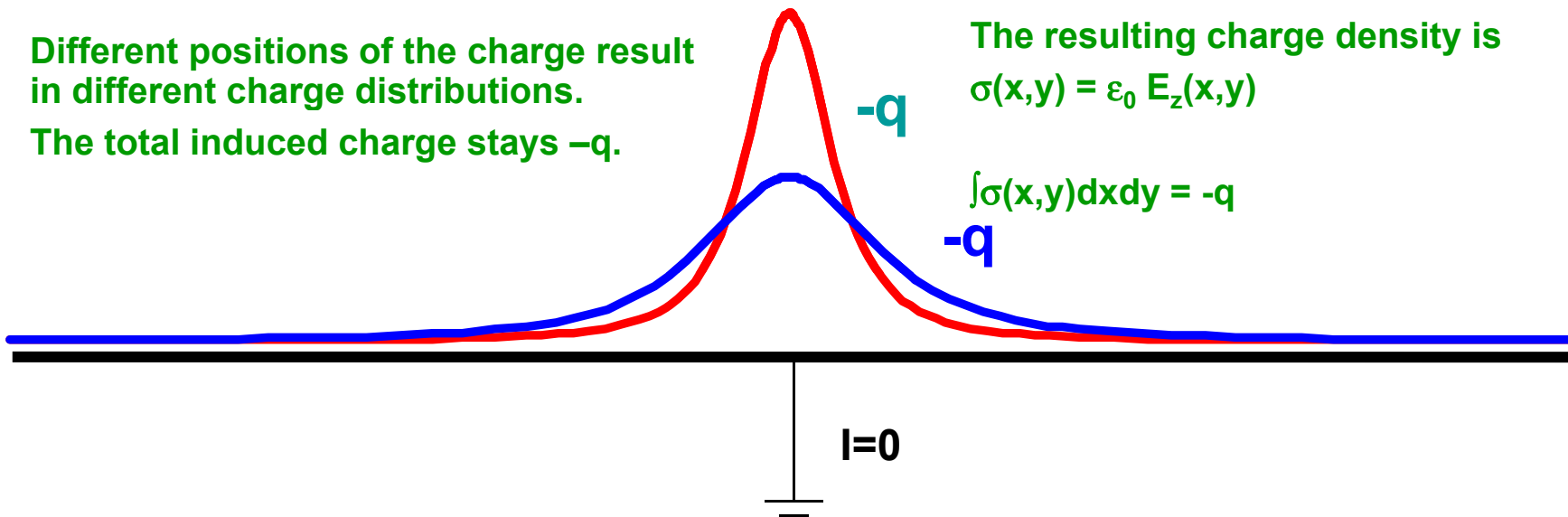
For this specific geometry the method of images can be used. A point charge $-q$ at distance $-z_0$ satisfies the boundary condition \rightarrow electric field.



q



q



The resulting charge density is $\sigma(x,y) = \epsilon_0 E_z(x,y)$

$$\int \sigma(x,y) dx dy = -q$$

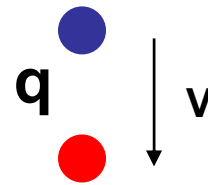
$$E_z(x,y) = -\frac{qz_0}{2\pi\epsilon_0(x^2 + y^2 + z_0^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$E_x = E_y = 0$$

$$Q_{ind} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma(x,y) dx dy = -q$$

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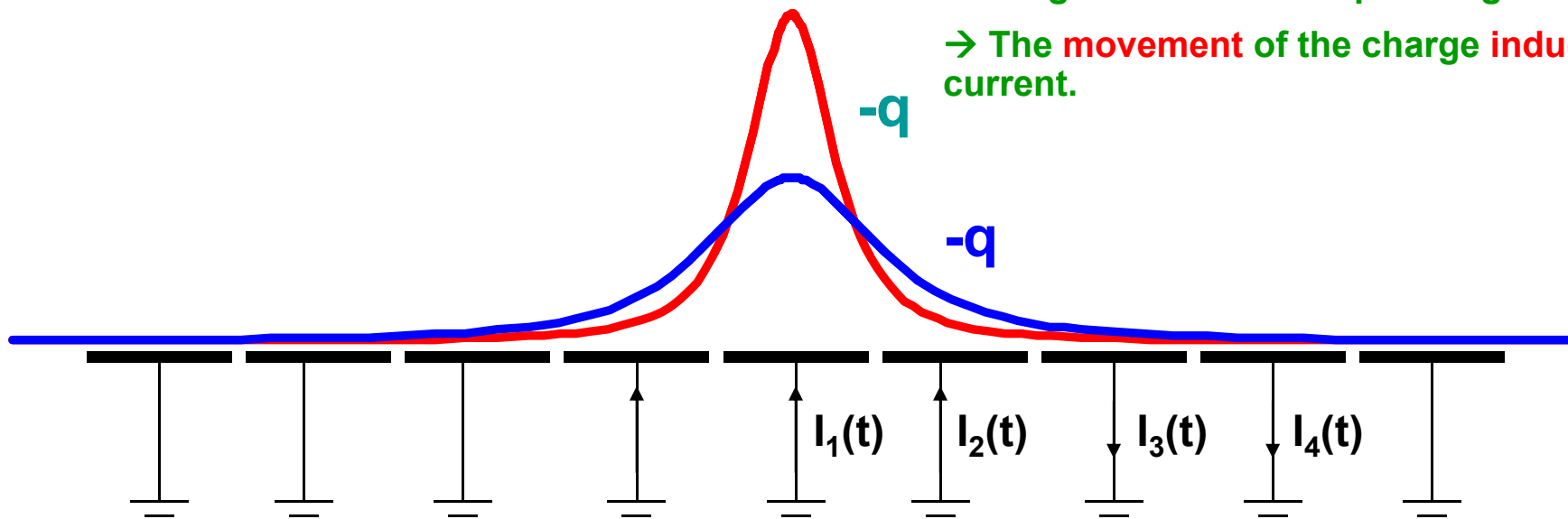
If we segment the grounded metal plate and if we ground the individual strips the charge density doesn't change.



The charge induced on the individual strips is now depending on the position z_0 of the charge.

If the charge is moving there are currents flowing between the strips and ground.

→ The **movement** of the charge **induces** a current.

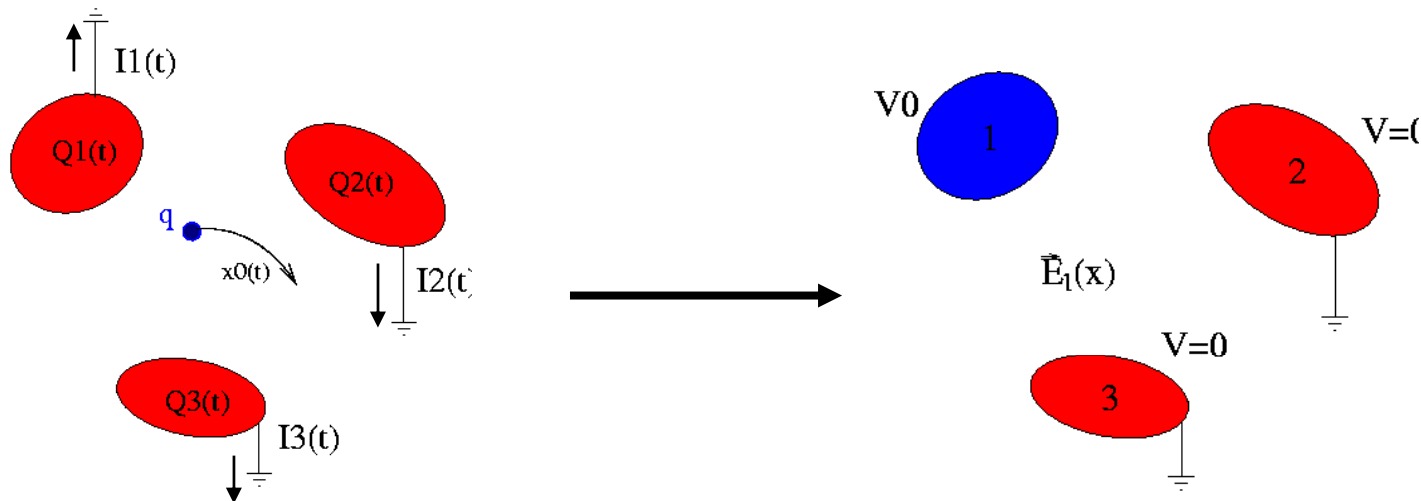


$$Q_1(z_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-w/2}^{w/2} \sigma_a(x, y) dx dy = -\frac{2q}{\pi} \arctan\left(\frac{w}{2z_0}\right)$$

$$z_0(t) = z_1 - v \cdot t$$

$$I_1(t) = \frac{d}{dt} Q_1[z_0(t)] = \frac{\partial Q[z_0(t)]}{\partial z_0} \frac{dz_0(t)}{dt} = \frac{4qw}{\pi[4z_0(t)^2 + w^2]} v$$

In order to calculate the signals the Poisson equation must be calculated for all different positions of the charge $q \rightarrow$ difficult task.



Theorem (1) (Reciprocity theorem, Ramotheorem):

The current induced on a grounded electrode (n) by the movement of a charge q along a trajectory $x(t)$ can be calculated the following way:

One removes the charge q and brings electrode (n) to potential V_0 while keeping all the other electrodes at ground potential.

This defined an electric field $E_n(x)$ ('Weighting field' of electrode n).

The induced current is then

$$I_n(t) = -\frac{q}{V_0} E_n[\vec{x}(t)] \frac{d\vec{x}(t)}{dt} = -\frac{q}{V_0} E_n[\vec{x}(t)] \vec{v}(t)$$

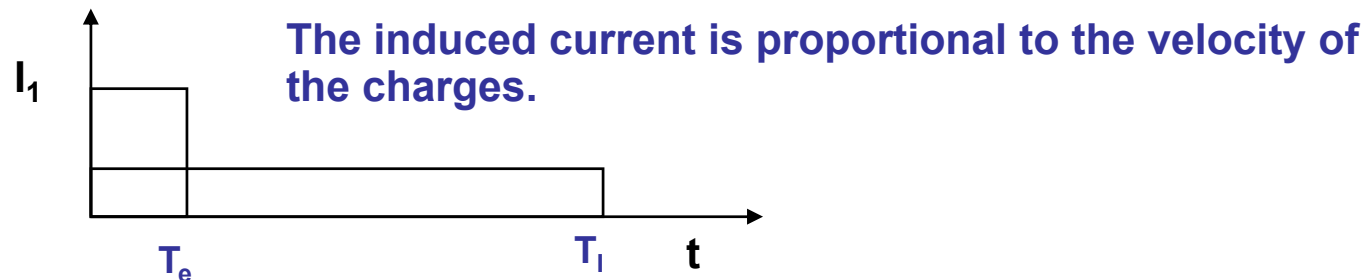
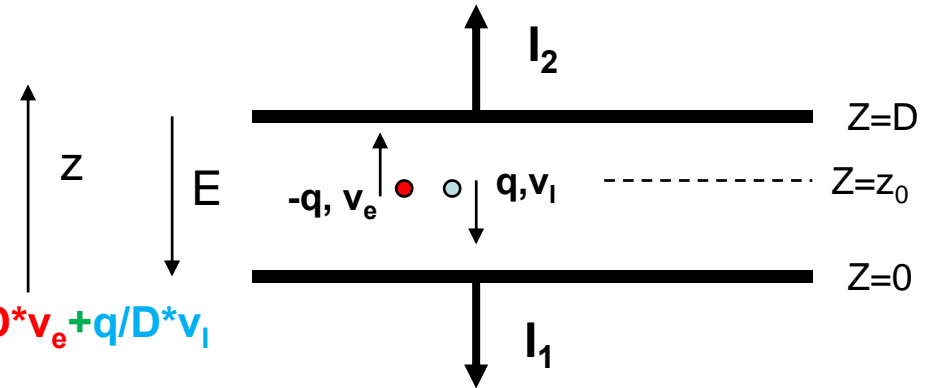
Example: Elektron-Ion pair in gas

$$E_1 = V_0/D$$

$$E_2 = -V_0/D$$

$$I_1 = -(-q)/V_0 * (V_0/D) * v_e - q/V_0 (V_0/D) (-v_i) = q/D * v_e + q/D * v_i$$

$$I_2 = -I_1$$



$$Q_1^{\text{tot}} = \int I_1 dt = q/D * v_e T_e + q/D * v_i T_i$$

$$= q/D * v_e * (D-z_0)/v_e + q/D * v_i * z_0/v_i$$

$$= q(D-z_0)/D + qz_0/D =$$

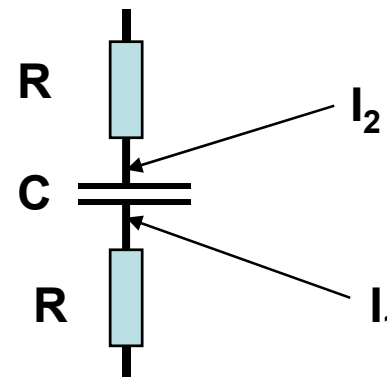
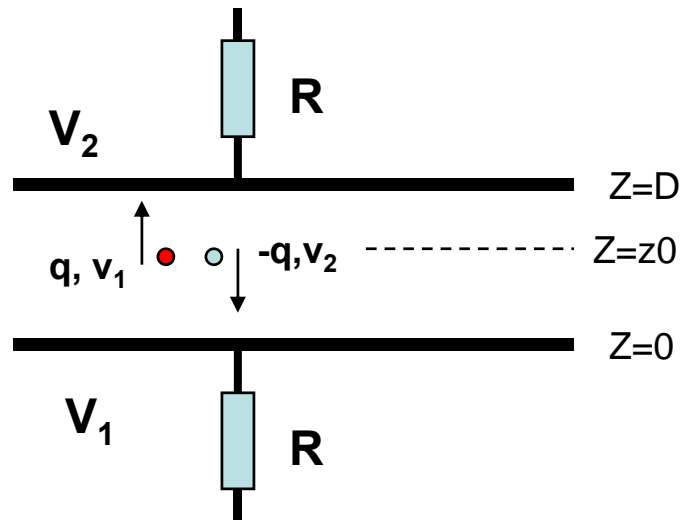
$$q_e + q_i = q$$

The induced charge depends on the position from where the charge starts moving.

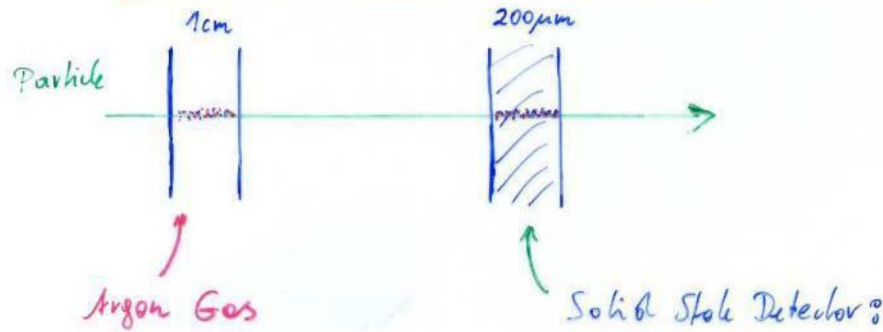
The total induced charge on a specific electrode, once all the charges have arrived at the electrodes, is equal to the charge that has arrived at this specific electrode.

Theorem (2):

In case the electrodes are not grounded but connected by arbitrary active or passive elements one first calculates the currents induced on the grounded electrodes and places them as ideal current sources on the equivalent circuit of the electrodes.



Gas Detectors, Solid State Detectors



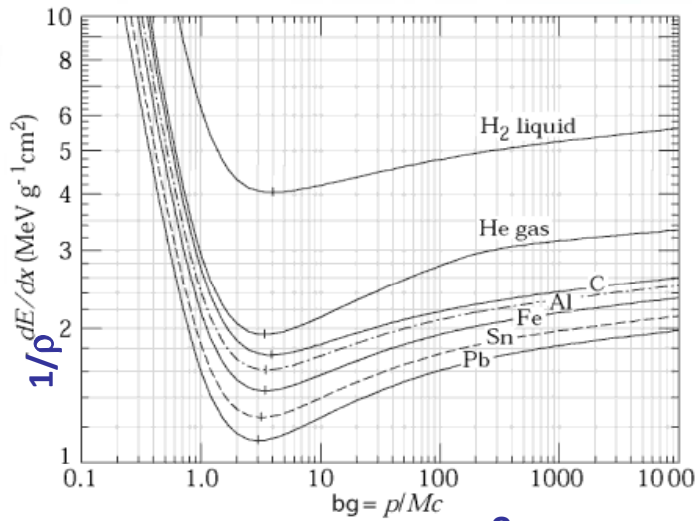
$$\left. \frac{dE}{dx} \right|_{\text{min}} = 1.519 \cdot 1.396 \cdot 10^{-2} \frac{\text{MeV}}{\text{cm}}$$

$$I = 26 \text{ eV} \rightarrow \sim 80 e^- / \text{cm}$$

$$\left. \frac{dE}{dx} \right|_{\text{min}} = 1.371 \cdot 5.32 \frac{\text{MeV}}{\text{cm}}$$

$$I = 2.9 \text{ eV}$$

$$2.5 \times 10^6 \text{ e/h pairs/cm}$$



The induced signals are readout out by dedicated electronics.

The noise of an amplifier determines whether the signal can be registered. **Signal/Noise $\gg 1$**

The noise is characterized by the 'Equivalent Noise Charge (ENC)' = Charge signal at the input that produced an output signal equal to the noise.

ENC of very good amplifiers can be as low as 50e-, typical numbers are $\sim 1000e^-$.

In order to register a signal, the registered charge must be $q \gg \text{ENC}$ i.e. typically $q \gg 1000e^-$.

Gas Detector: $q=80e^- / \text{cm} \rightarrow$ too small.

Solid state detectors have 1000x more density and factor 5-10 less ionization energy.
 \rightarrow Primary charge is 10^4 - 10^5 times larger than is gases.

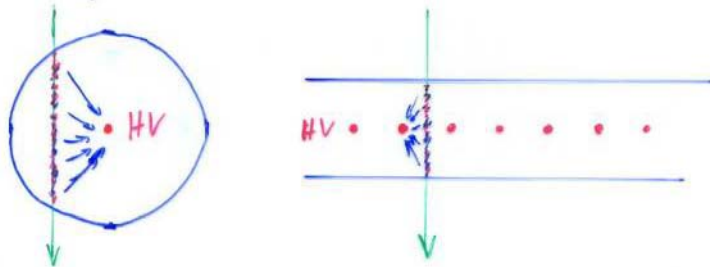
Gas detectors need internal amplification in order to be sensitive to single particle tracks.

Without internal amplification they can only be used for a large number of particles that arrive at the same time (ionization chamber).

Wire Chamber

Since the Ionization density in Gases is small, the signals induced by the movement of the few e^- , I^+ is small.

→ Multiplication



Electrons are Drifting towards the Wires
(Wires on positive HV)

Close to the wire the field is $\sim \frac{1}{r}$

→ Multiplication → electron Avalanche

Gain $\sim 10^3 - 10^6$

→ Single Electron Sensitivity

By using thin wires, the electric fields close to the wires are very strong (e.g. 100-300kV/cm).

In these large electric fields, the electrons gain enough energy to ionize the gas themselves → Avalanche → a primary electron produces 10^3-10^6 electrons → measurable signal.