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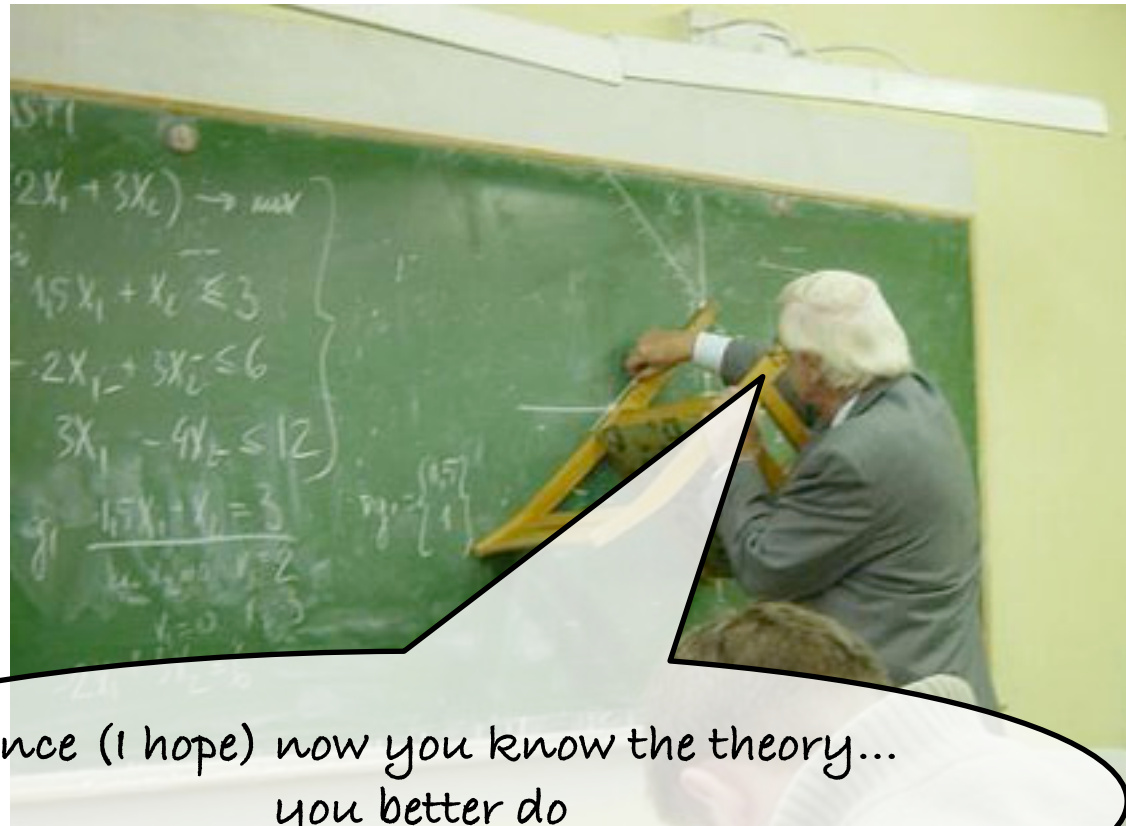
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Since (I hope) now you know the theory...
you better do
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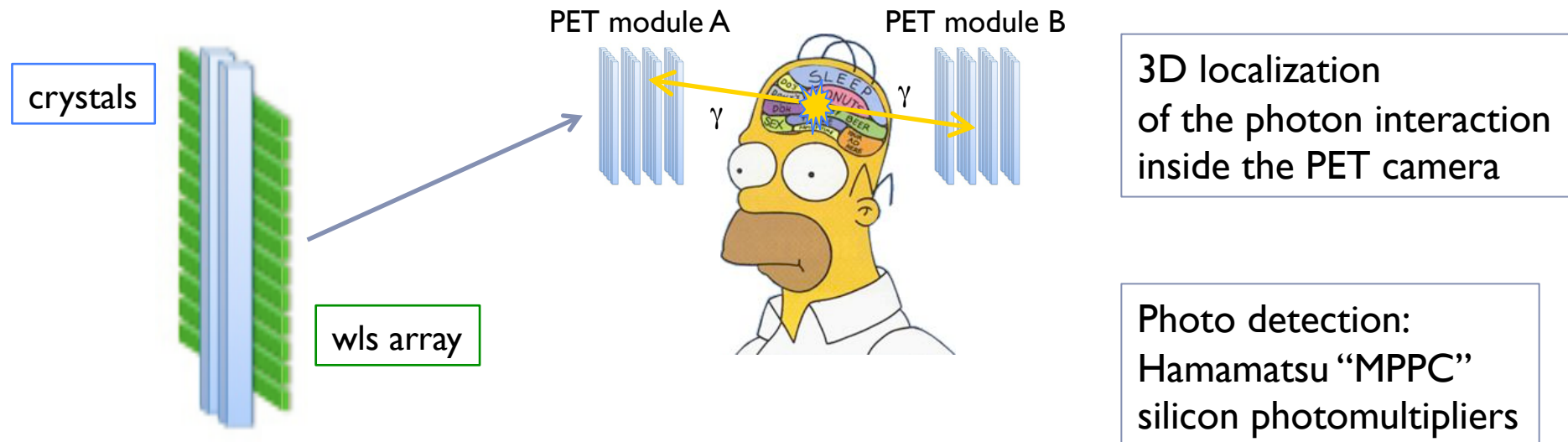
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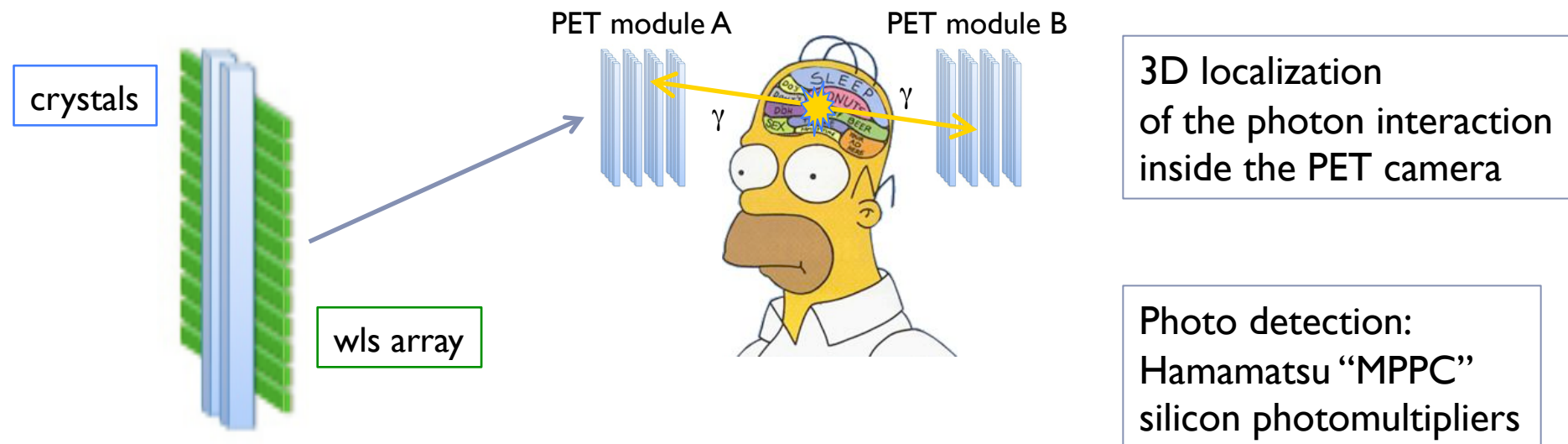
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- ✧ 3D localization of the photon inside the module → one can deal with the Compton events
- ✧ Lattice structure of the module → sensitivity and resolution can be independently increased

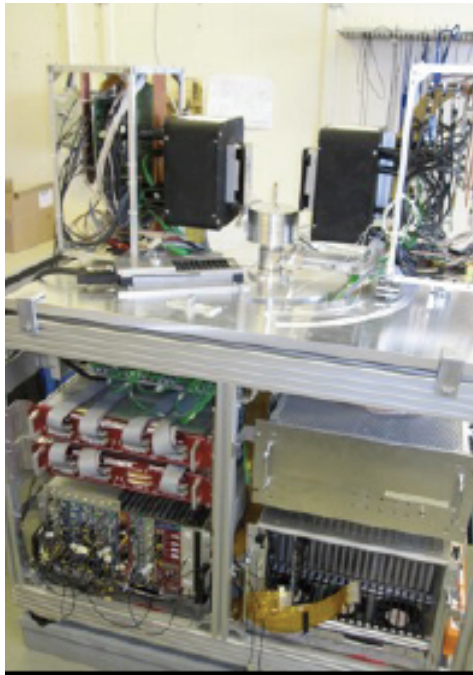
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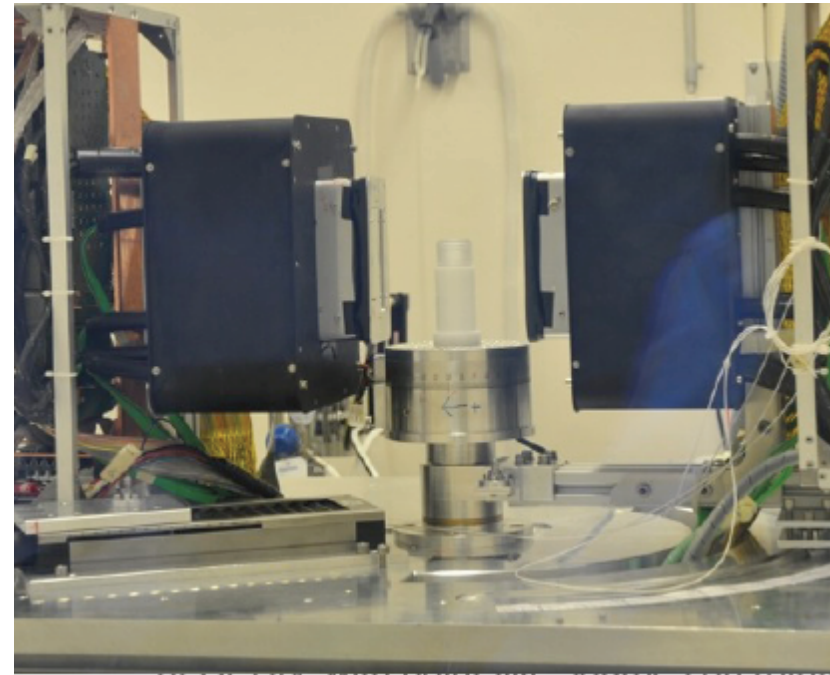
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Characterization of
the two-module demonstrator:
temperature monitoring, event displayer, analysis software,
energy calibration



Phantom tests
in April (@ ETH) and July (@ AAA) 2010
(*Ruben Verheyden* from Ljubljana)



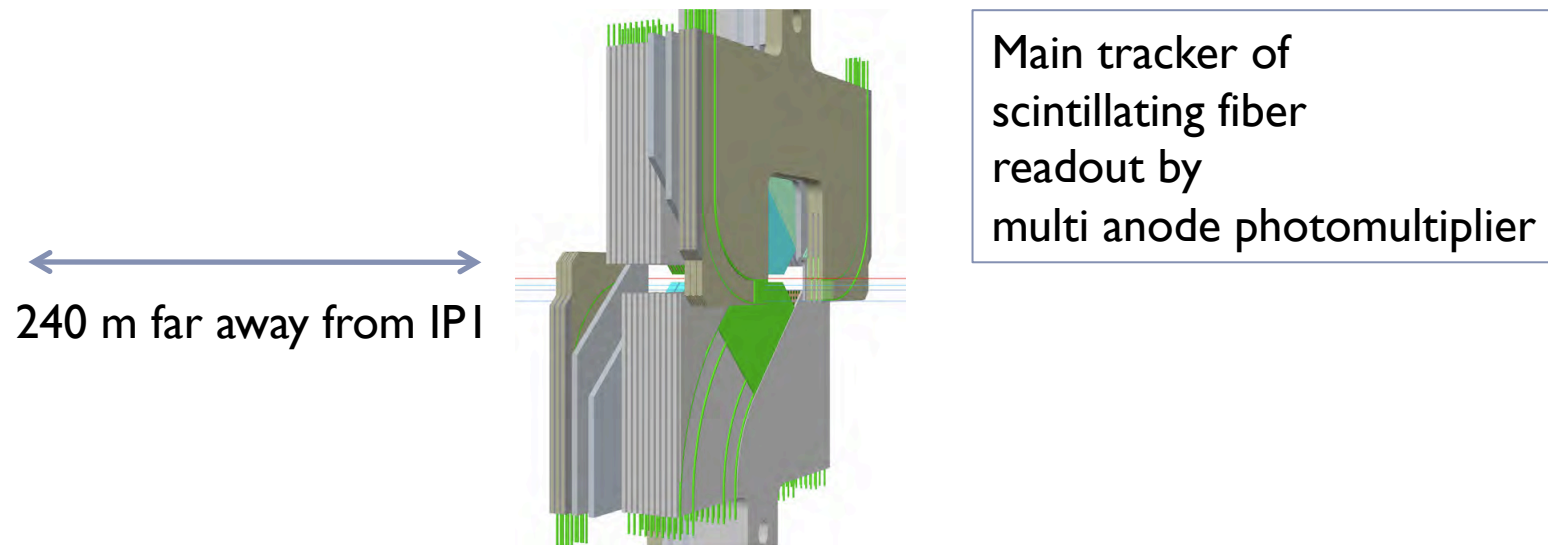
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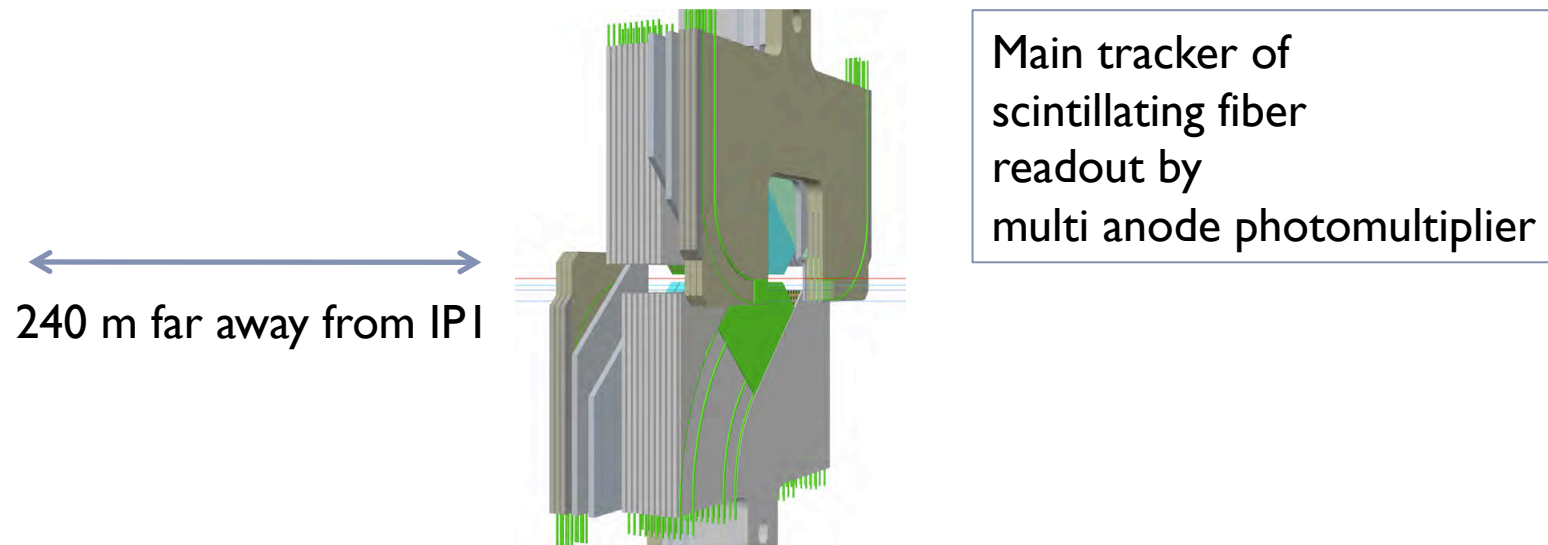
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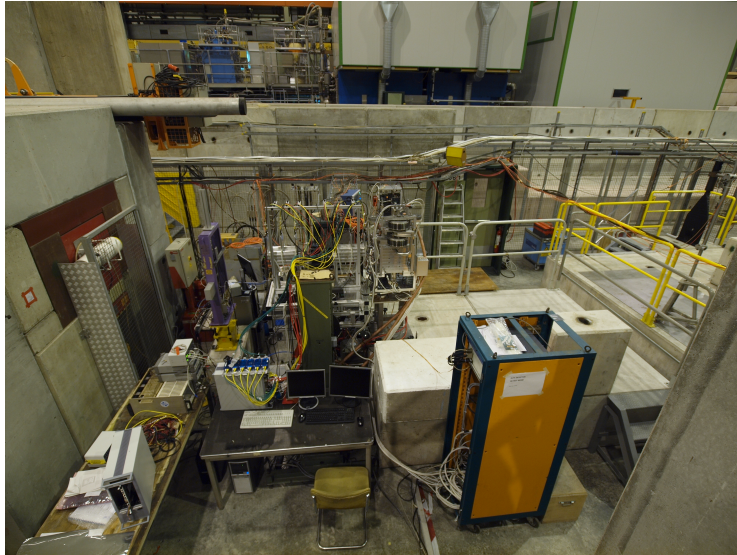
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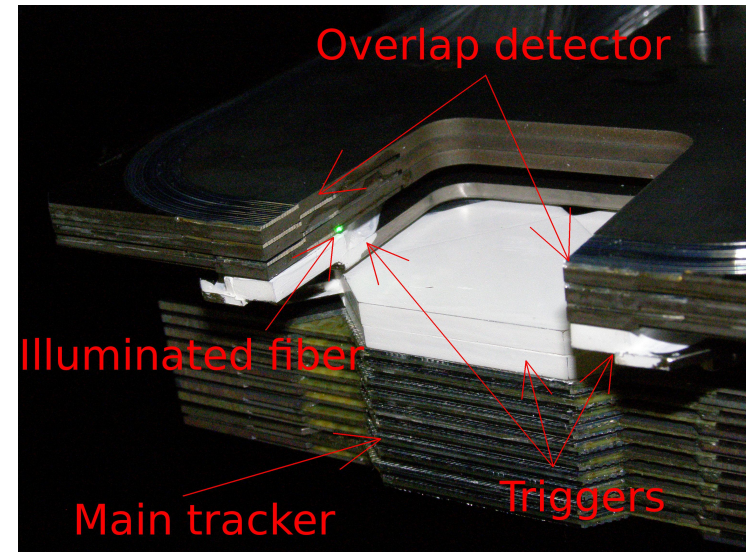
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Test beam in 2009 and 2010 at CERN



Mapping of the Overlap Detector



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Training



❑ **Language:**

- ✧ French courses up to the *IV level* at CERN

❑ **Programming:**

- ✧ LabView *II level* at CERN
- ✧ C++ *Hands-On Introduction and Object Oriented and Generic Programming* at CERN

❑ **MC-PAD Trainings:**

- ✧ *Readout Electronics* at 1st Meeting in Krakow
- ✧ *General and poster presentations* at CERN
- ✧ *Geant4 Simulation and ROOT Analysis of a Si Beam Telescope* at 2nd Meeting in Hamburg

❑ **Lectures at CERN:**

- ✧ *The use of Radiation Detectors in Medicine: Radiation Detectors for Morphological Imaging*
- ✧ *1st EIROforum School on Instrumentation*
- ✧ Several courses for *Summer Students* and various seminars and lectures

❑ **Supervising student for the ATLAS-ALFA collaboration**

Publications and Presentations



☐ Publications

- ✧ Several proceeding publications for the AX-PET collaboration
- ✧ *Demonstration of an Axial PET concept for brain and small animal imaging*, proceedings for Vienna Conference of Instrumentation 2010 (<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2010.07.017>)
- ✧ *Determination ATLAS-ALFA Overlap Detectors mapping*, report for the ATLAS-ALFA collaboration

☐ Presentations

- Group collaboration meetings

- ✧ **15 July 09:** 13th AX-PET Collaboration Meeting at CERN
- ✧ **30 Sept – 3 Oct 09:** 14th AX-PET Collaboration Meeting in Catania
- ✧ **24 Nov 09:** 15th AX-PET Collaboration Meeting at CERN
- ✧ **5 Feb 10:** 16th AX-PET Collaboration Meeting at CERN

- Conferences

- ✧ **15 – 20 Feb:** 12th Vienna Conference of Instrumentation, talk *Demonstration of an Axial PET concept for brain and small animal imaging*

- MC meetings

- ✧ **17 – 19 Sep:** 1st MC-PAD Network Training on Readout Electronics in Krakow, poster *Concept for an AX-PET Demonstrator*
- ✧ **1 – 2 July:** MC Conference 2010 - Satellite event of ESOF2010, poster *Demonstrating the AX-PET concept for a brain novel imaging*

Milestone/Deliverable



- ❑ **MI (m6): X-HPD characterization in lab**
 - ✧ Collaboration with the industrial partner *Photonis*: because of economical difficulties the company has terminated the complete photomultiplier activity...
- ❑ **M2 (m22): Scintillating fiber tracker prototype with silicon photomultiplier readout**
 - ✧ On the way:
 - 2 scintillating fiber plates from the ATLAS-ALFA experiment
 - 5 silicon photomultiplier arrays already delivered by Hamamatsu

- ❑ **DI (m12): Test results of X-HPD lab test**
 - ✧ See above
- ❑ **D2 (m18): Characterization of PET based camera**
 - ✧ Accomplished
- ❑ **D3 (m24): Scintillating fiber characterization results**
 - ✧ On the way

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