

# $\gamma$ – LASER Mode Beam Monitoring & Scintillation Detectors

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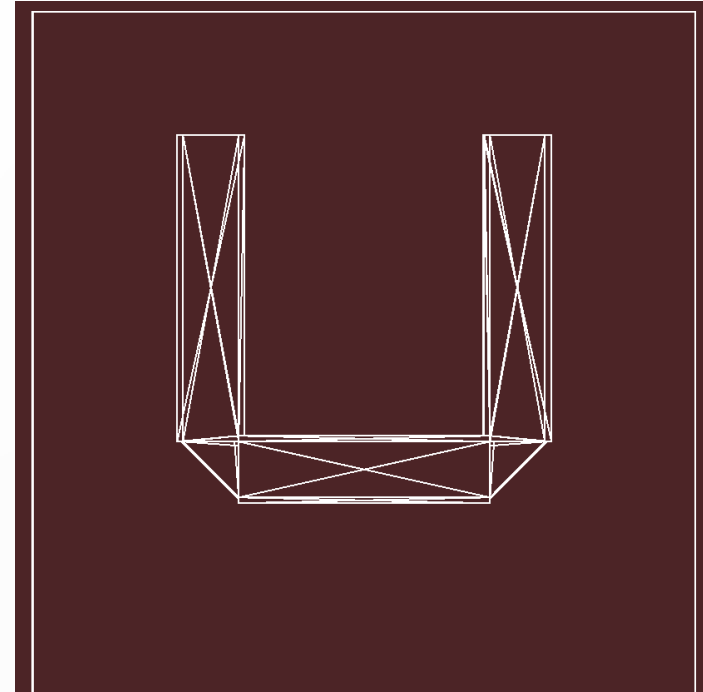
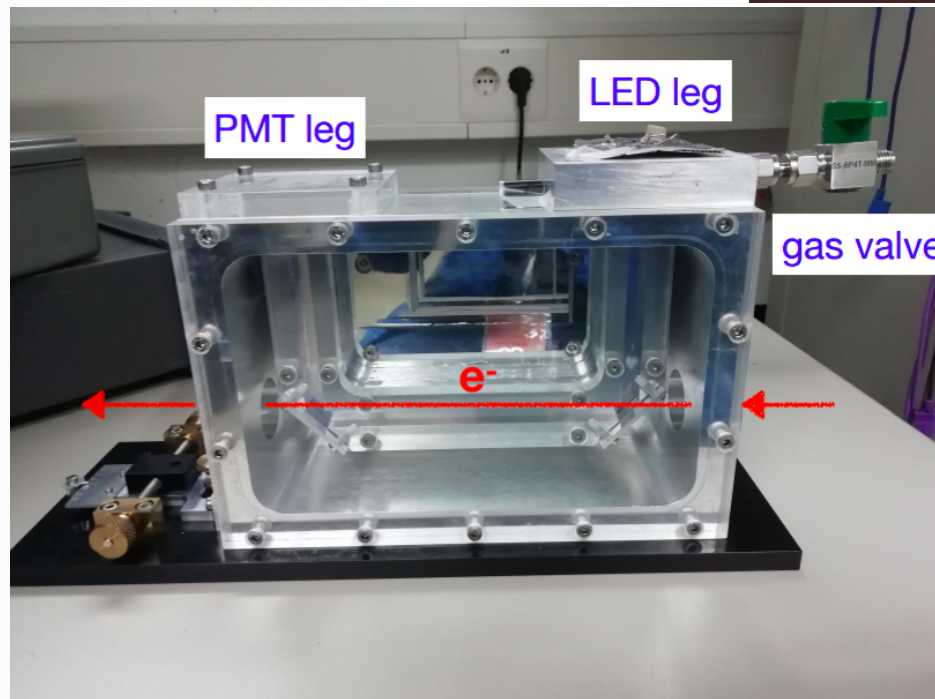
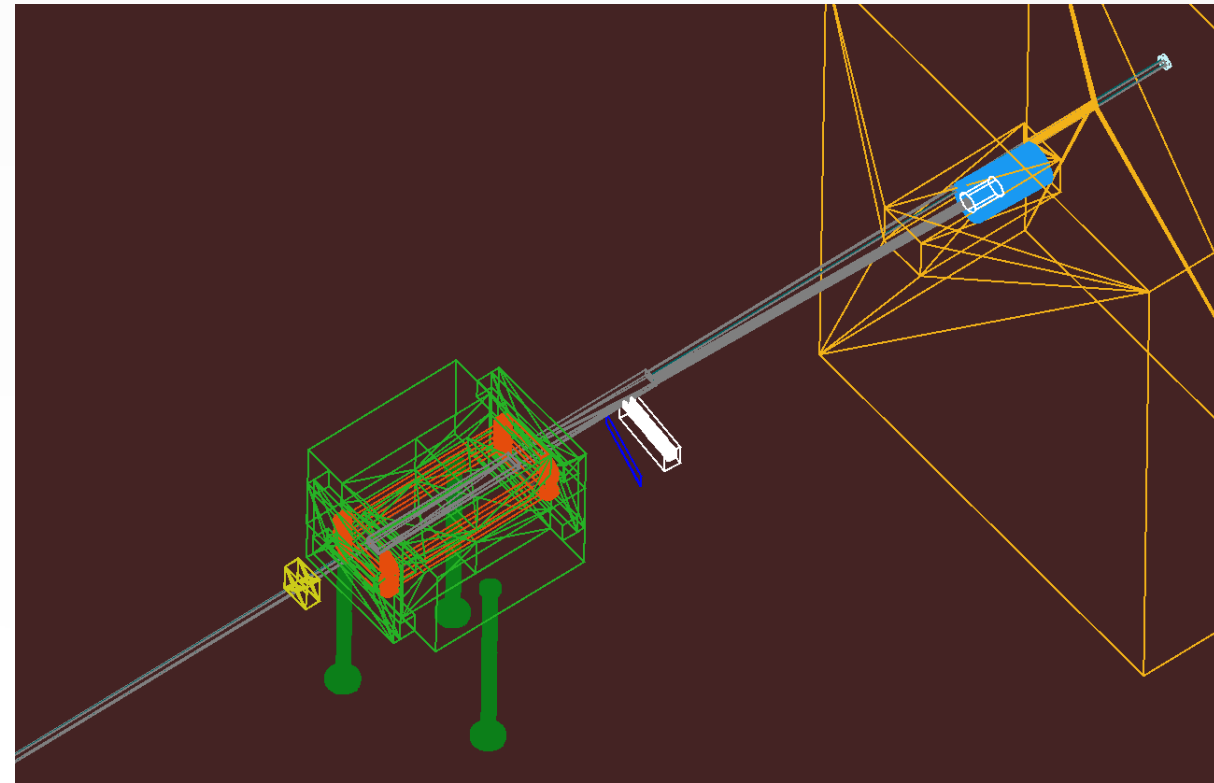
The logo for the LUXE experiment, featuring the word "LUXE" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The letter "X" is stylized with a white starburst or spark-like graphic in the center.

## Scintillator/Cerenkov in GEANT4

Have implemented geometries for an example simple Scintillating screen and more detailed Cerenkov Devices. Instantiated by

`DetectorConstruction::ConstructScintCerenkov()`

Takes key parameters from `LXSetUp.cc`



## Scintillator/Cerenkov in GEANT4

I have set up Cerenkov and Scintillation Physics which can be turned on or off, and collect data for histograms (HistoManager) in SteppingAction.

These processes slow down simulation but should not affect validity of background simulation at IP.

Will push a version with these detectors to lxsim git stash (new branch) with physics/histograms commented out

```
ScintCerenkovPhysics = false;
ScintAngle = 15. *deg;
ScintXpos = -350. *mm;
ScintZpos = DumpMagnetZpos + (1520./2. + 300.) *mm; // defining in relation to
so position of the beam-dump magnet and its length
CerenkovAngle = 5. *deg;
CerenkovXpos = -340. *mm;
CerenkovZpos = DumpMagnetZpos + (1520./2. + 500.) *mm;
ScintX = 500. *mm;
ScintY = 100. *mm;
ScintZ = 1. *mm;
CerenkovWallWidth = 0.15 *mm;
CerenkovBoxThickness = 1. *mm;
CerenkovWindowThickness = 0.3 *mm;
CerenkovchannelX = 9. *mm;
CerenkovchannelY = 9. *mm;
CerenkovchannelZ = 50. *mm;
CerenkovChannels = 50; // will crash if not even!! unfortunately..
CerenkovLegHeight = 50. *mm;
ScintMaterial = "Polystyrene";
CerenkovMetal = "Aluminium";
CerenkovMedium = "ArgonGas";
```

# Scintillator/Cerenkov in GEANT4

These materials take a fair load of memory (compared to the rest of the geometry)

So, given time, I can make a simplified version, if necessary

This was done in lxsim retrieved Sunday. Code has changed since (Dump + magnet rotated 90°) and needs tweaks

```
Start closing geometry.
G4GeometryManager::ReportVoxelStats -- Voxel Statistics

Total memory consumed for geometry optimisation: 405 kByte
Total CPU time elapsed for geometry optimisation: 0.01 seconds

Voxelisation: top CPU users:
Percent    Total CPU    System CPU    Memory    Volume
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100.00      0.01         0.00          96k World
0.00        0.00         0.00          1k logicTAUICContainer
0.00        0.00         0.00         24k logicTypMBMagnetContainer
0.00        0.00         0.00         24k logicTypMBMagnetContainer
0.00        0.00         0.00          0k logicComptonDetContainer
0.00        0.00         0.00          1k logicBPIPEComptonContainer
0.00        0.00         0.00          0k logicDetContainer
0.00        0.00         0.00          0k logicBremsTargetContainer
0.00        0.00         0.00          1k logicGMContainer
0.00        0.00         0.00          0k logicGammaTargetContainer

Voxelisation: top memory users:
Percent    Memory    Heads    Nodes    Pointers    Total CPU    Volume
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63.54      257k      647      2892      9828        0.00 CerenkovWingLogical
23.69       96k      212      1260      2838        0.01 World
5.79        23k       57       286       779         0.00 logicTypMBMagnetContainer
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0.32         1k        7        10        44         0.00 logicGMContainer
0.27         1k        4        13        28         0.00 logicTAUICContainer
0.19         0k        3        9         19         0.00 logicBPIPEComptonContainer
0.15         0k        3        5         20         0.00 logicVCCContainer
0.07         0k        1        3         8         0.00 logicComptonDetContainer
0.07         0k        1        3         8         0.00 logicDetContainer

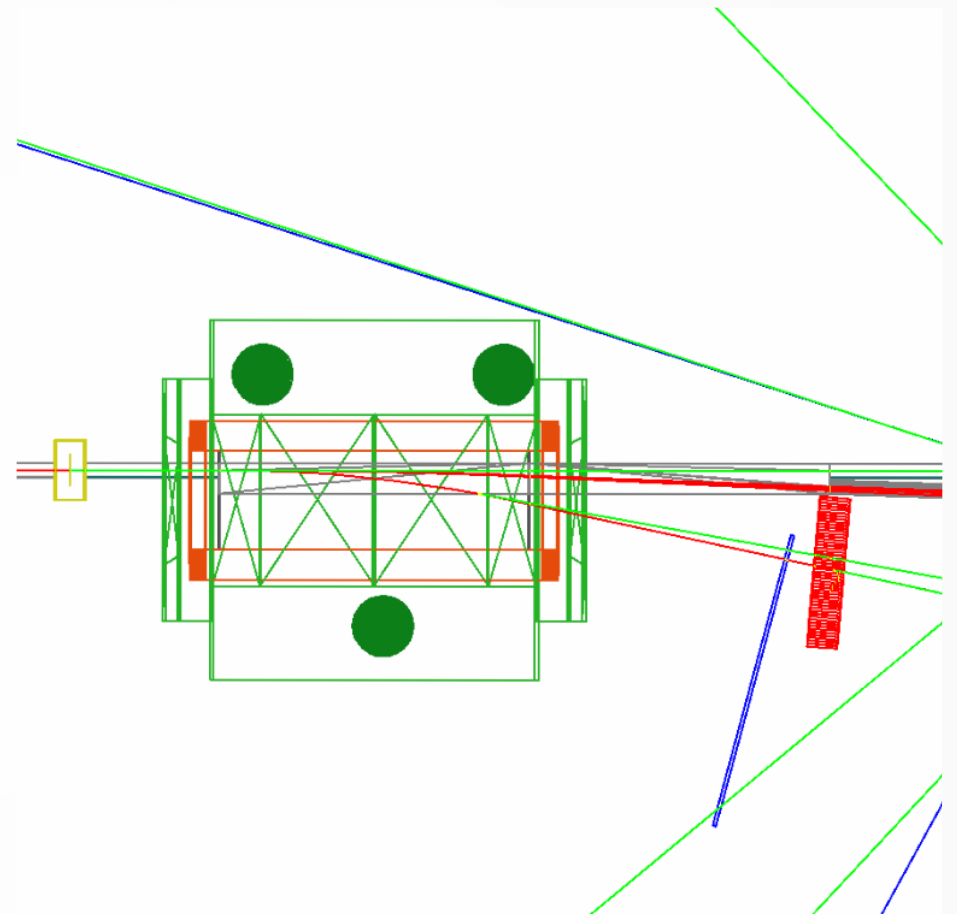
G4WT5 > /run/verbose 2
G4WT5 > /run/setCut 10 um
```

## Implementation

We are implementing a union of the two detectors to measure the e- energy spectrum.

A Cherenkov set-up to measure the high-flux high-energy part of the spectrum, and a scintillator – with some cross-over region – to measure the low-energy (more important!) part of the distribution.

The cross-over region may be constructed as long as desired, as the Scintillating screen will have little effect on the Cherenkov signal.



# Scintillating Material

Plastic-based materials are cheap and flexible in molds.

This material is unfortunately susceptible to radiation damage, in a way that is not well understood.

It's unlikely, given this and the typically lower light output, that a plastic mold will be used.

PROPERTIES	EJ-200	EJ-204	EJ-208	EJ-212
Light Output (% Anthracene)	64	68	60	65
Scintillation Efficiency (photons/1 MeV e <sup>-</sup> )	10,000	10,400	9,200	10,000
Wavelength of Maximum Emission (nm)	425	408	435	423
Light Attenuation Length (cm)	380	160	400	250
Rise Time (ns)	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.9
Decay Time (ns)	2.1	1.8	3.3	2.4
Pulse Width, FWHM (ns)	2.5	2.2	4.2	2.7
No. of H Atoms per cm <sup>3</sup> (x10 <sup>22</sup> )	5.17	5.15	5.17	5.17
No. of C Atoms per cm <sup>3</sup> (x10 <sup>22</sup> )	4.69	4.68	4.69	4.69
No. of Electrons per cm <sup>3</sup> (x10 <sup>23</sup> )	3.33	3.33	3.33	3.33
Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.023	1.023	1.023	1.023
Polymer Base	Polyvinyltoluene			
Refractive Index	1.58			
Softening Point	75°C			
Vapor Pressure	Vacuum-compatible			
Coefficient of Linear Expansion	7.8 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> below 67°C			
Light Output vs. Temperature	At 60°C, L.O. = 95% of that at 20°C No change from 20°C to -60°			
Temperature Range	-20°C to 60°C			

example plastic scintillators from <https://eljentechnology.com/products/plastic-scintillators/ej-200-ej-204-ej-208-ej-212>



# Scintillating Material

Inorganic, crystalline scintillators will typically produce more light per unit energy.

Will also be more sensitive to temperature fluctuations but this should be controllable.

Scintillator	Light yield (photons/keV)	Light ouput(%) of NaI(Tl) bialkali pmt	Temperature coefficient of light output(%/C) 25°C to 50°C	1/e Decay time(ns)	Wavelength of max emission lm(nm)	Refractive index at lm	Thickness to stop 50% of 662 keV photons (cm)	Thermal expansion (/C)x10 <sup>-6</sup>	Density g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Hygroscopic	Comments
LaBr <sub>3</sub> (Ce+Sr)	73	190	0	25	385	-2.0	1.8	8	5.08	yes	Ultimate energy resolution (2.2% @ 662keV)
LaBr <sub>3</sub> (Ce) BrillanCe™ 380	63	165	0	16	380	-1.9	1.8	8	5.08	yes	General purpose, excellent energy resolution
CLLB Cs <sub>2</sub> LiLaBr <sub>6</sub> (Ce)	43	115		180 1080	420	-1.85	2.2	--	4.2	yes	Dual Gamma-Neutron detection, excellent
NaI(Tl)	38	100	-0.3	250	415	1.85	2.5	47.4	3.67	yes	General purpose, good energy resolution
NaI(Tl+Li)	35	100	-0.3	230, 1.1µs 240, 1.4µs	419	1.85	2.5	47.4	3.67	yes	Neutron-Gamma Scintillator
LaCl <sub>3</sub> (Ce) BrillanCe™ 350	49	70-90	0.7*	28	350	-1.9	2.3	11	3.85	yes	General purpose, good energy resolution
CsI(Na)	41	85	-0.05	630	420	1.84	2	54	4.51	yes	High Z, rugged
LYSO Lu <sub>1.8</sub> Y <sub>0.2</sub> SiO <sub>5</sub> (Ce)	33	87	-0.28	36	420	1.81	1.1	--	7.1	no	Bright, high Z, fast, dense, background from <sup>176</sup> Lu activity
CdWO4	12-15	30-50	-0.1	14000	475	-2.3	1	10.2	7.9	no	Low afterglow, for use with photodiodes
CaF2(Eu)	19	50	-0.33	940	435	1.47	2.9	19.5	3.18	no	Low Z, α & β detection

Example inorganic scintillators from <https://www.crystals.saint-gobain.com/products/crystal-scintillation-materials>

## Camera

We can effectively measure the screen from nearly any angle as light emission is isotropic. We can also make use of mirrors to reflect the light toward the camera, as long as the light intensity is high enough for the optical path distance. We therefore have some freedom here. Must study the possible adverse effects of background radiation with simulation.

Scientific Cameras + Lens can be very expensive. Need to understand if we really need such an expensive setup!

One thing we might not need is fast shutter speed with bunch arrival 10 Hz. Will investigate soon..

Exact camera used in AWAKE:  
Andor iStar 340T can cost ~ €50k

acA2000-340km - Basler ace      Alternatively for ~ €1k:

The Basler acA2000-340km Camera Link camera with the CMOSIS CMV2000 CMOS sensor delivers 340 frames per second at 2 MP resolution.





## Summary

Scintillator and Cerenkov Devices instantiated in lxsim GEANT4 branch 'ScintCerenkov'.

Scintillator screen Dimensions/Geometry – Largely figured out

Scintillator screen Material – Working out an optimal choice

Scintillator Supporting structures – Depends on Scintillator material

Optical Path – depends on Calculations/simulation still to be done

Camera – Requires further understanding before advancing

DAQ – Details depend on camera

Extra – Beampipe modifications – To be simulated to determine if this is necessary/useful

# Backup

## Further Reading:

Evidence of deep-blue photon emission at high efficiency  
by common plastic

H. Nakamura, Y. Shirakawa, S. Takahashi and H. Shimizu

<https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1209/0295-5075/95/22001/fulltext/>

Matthew's talk, present on the indico Main meeting page. Wednesday, 15 January 2020

<https://indico.desy.de/indico/event/25104/>

The AWAKE Electron Spectrometer

F. Keeble et al.

<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2649943>

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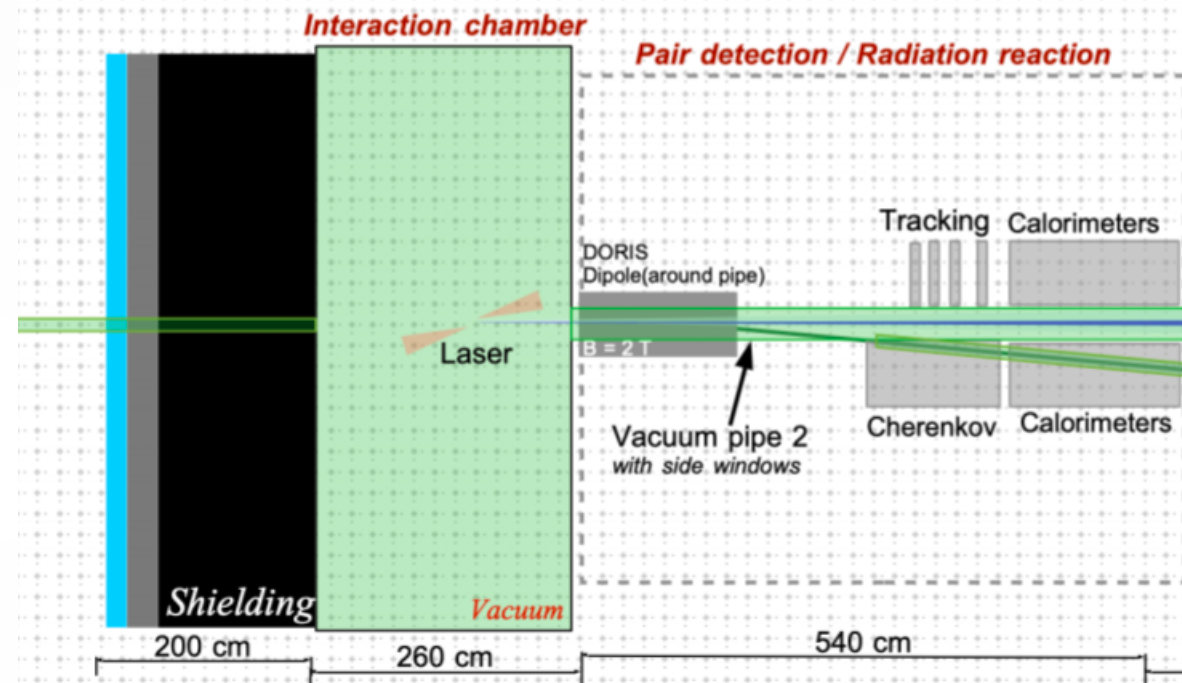
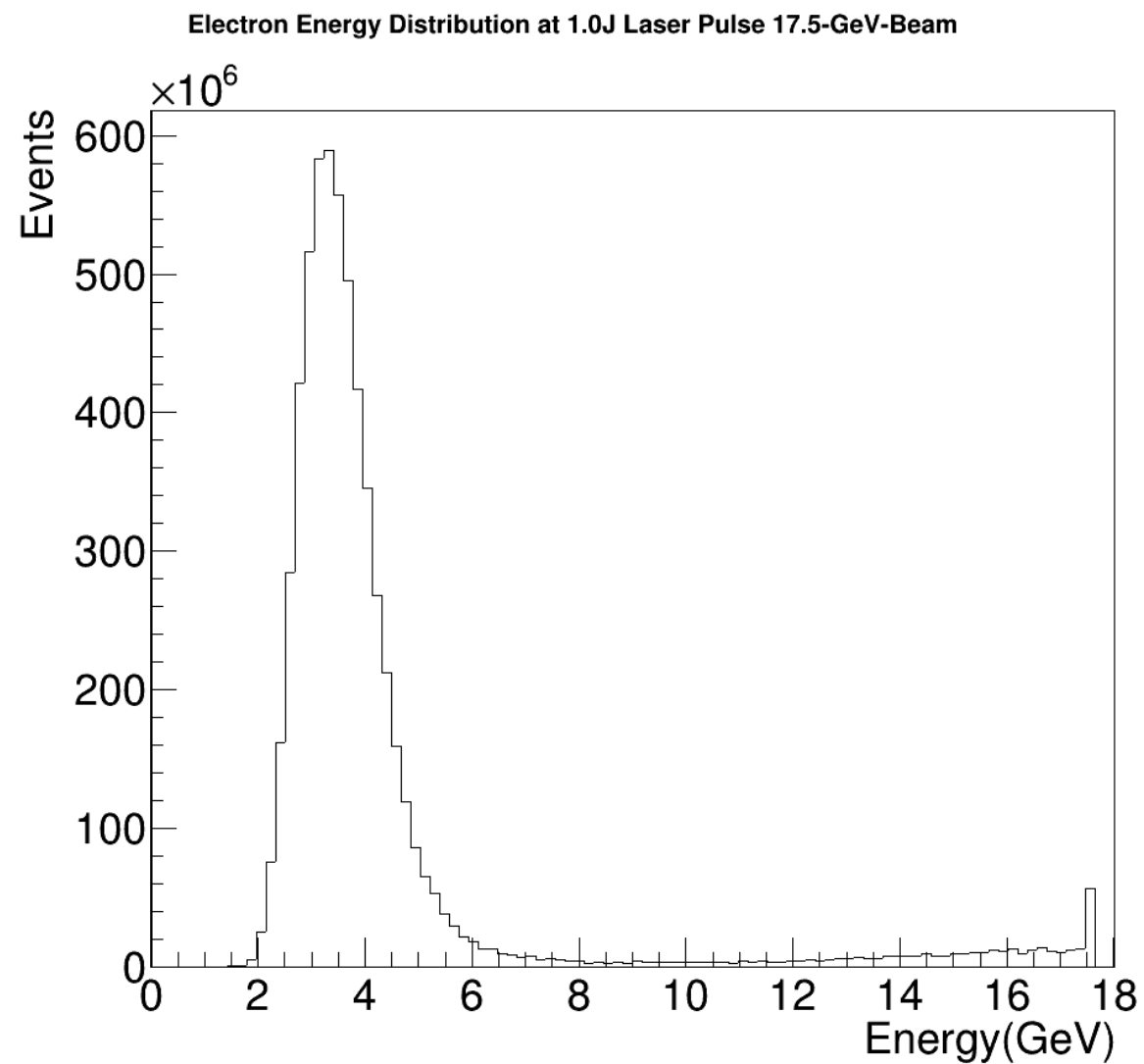
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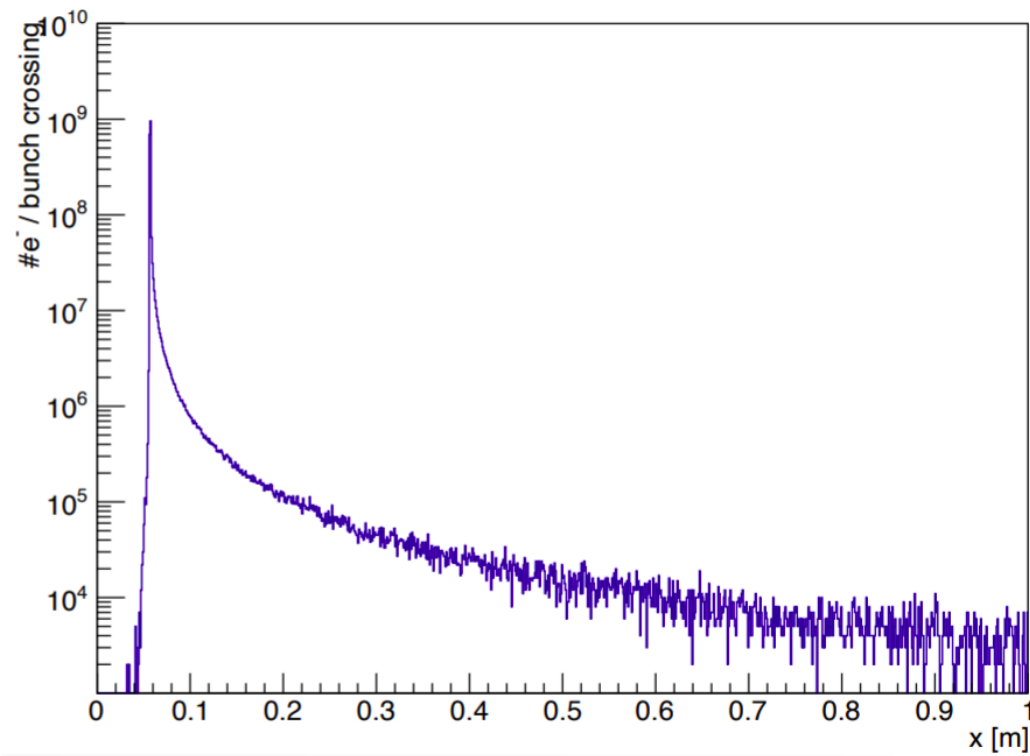
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Example cameras as in AWAKE:

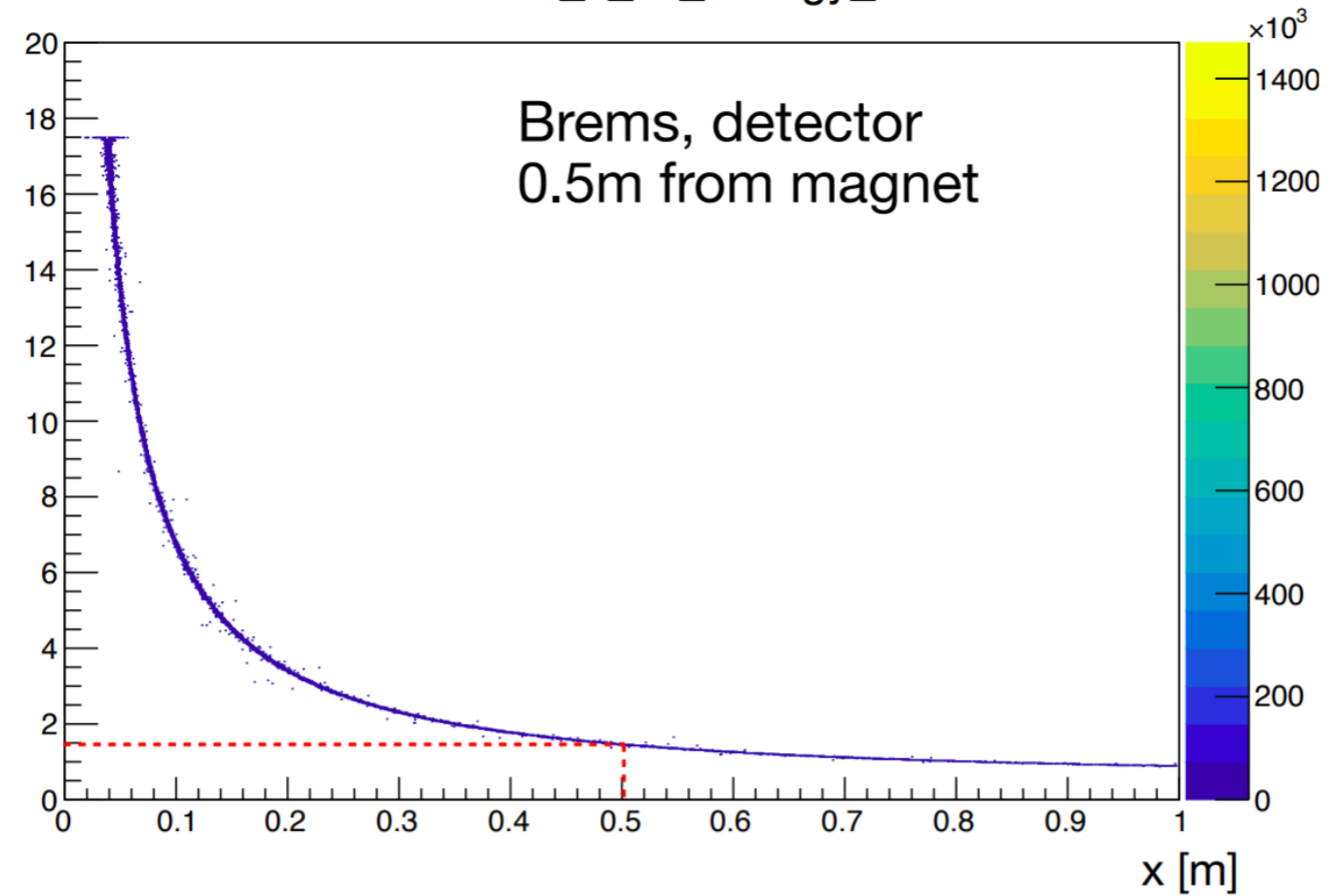
<https://andor.oxinst.com/products/istar-intensified-cameras>



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## Comparison with Cherenkov

- Finer spatial resolution than with Cherenkov devices
- Constructing an especially wide Cherenkov device becomes increasingly labour-intensive & technologically complex, but no complication for a Scintillator Detector
- A camera's dynamic range limits the granularity of the intensity – but the same will be true for photodetectors attached to Cherenkov
- High-energy or high intensity particle flux can lead to saturation, depending on material, which can complicate recovering the energy spectrum
- Sensitive to high-energy photons including synchrotron radiation.
- Naturally, we can measure with resolution in 'y' direction. This can be used for gauging background (if uniform with y) levels.