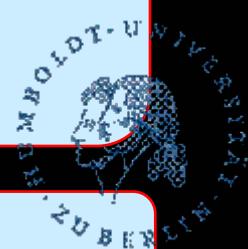


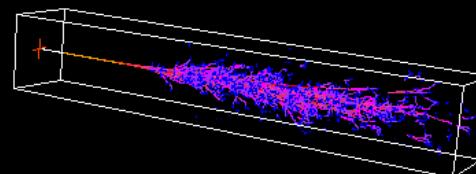
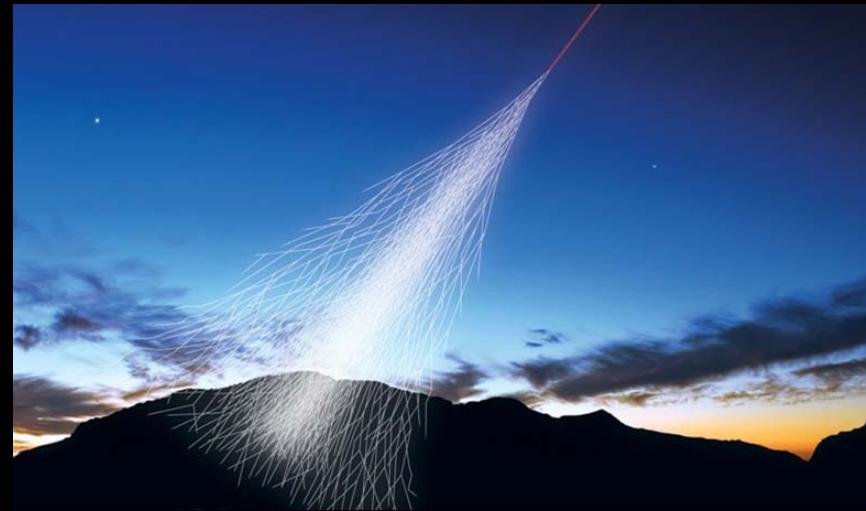
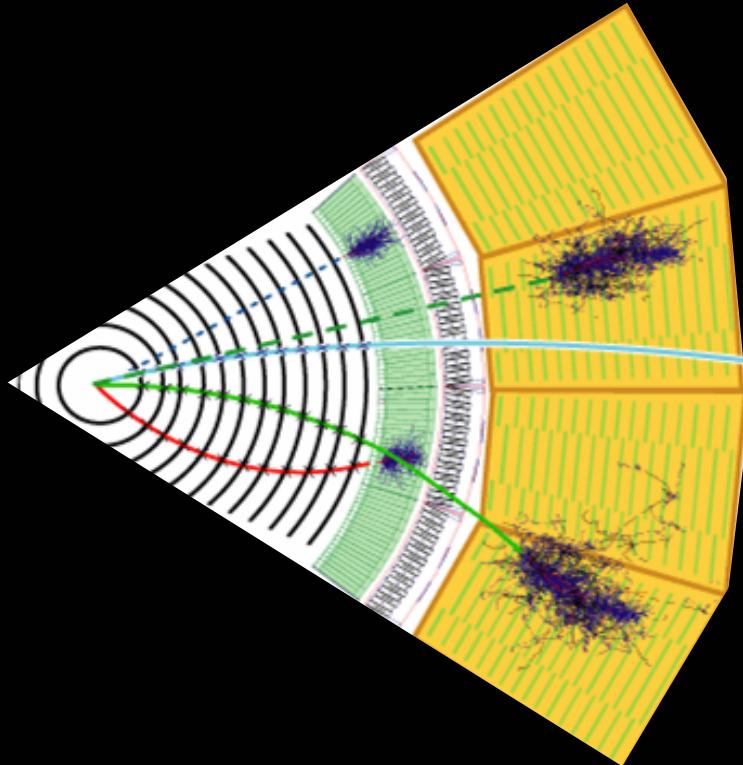
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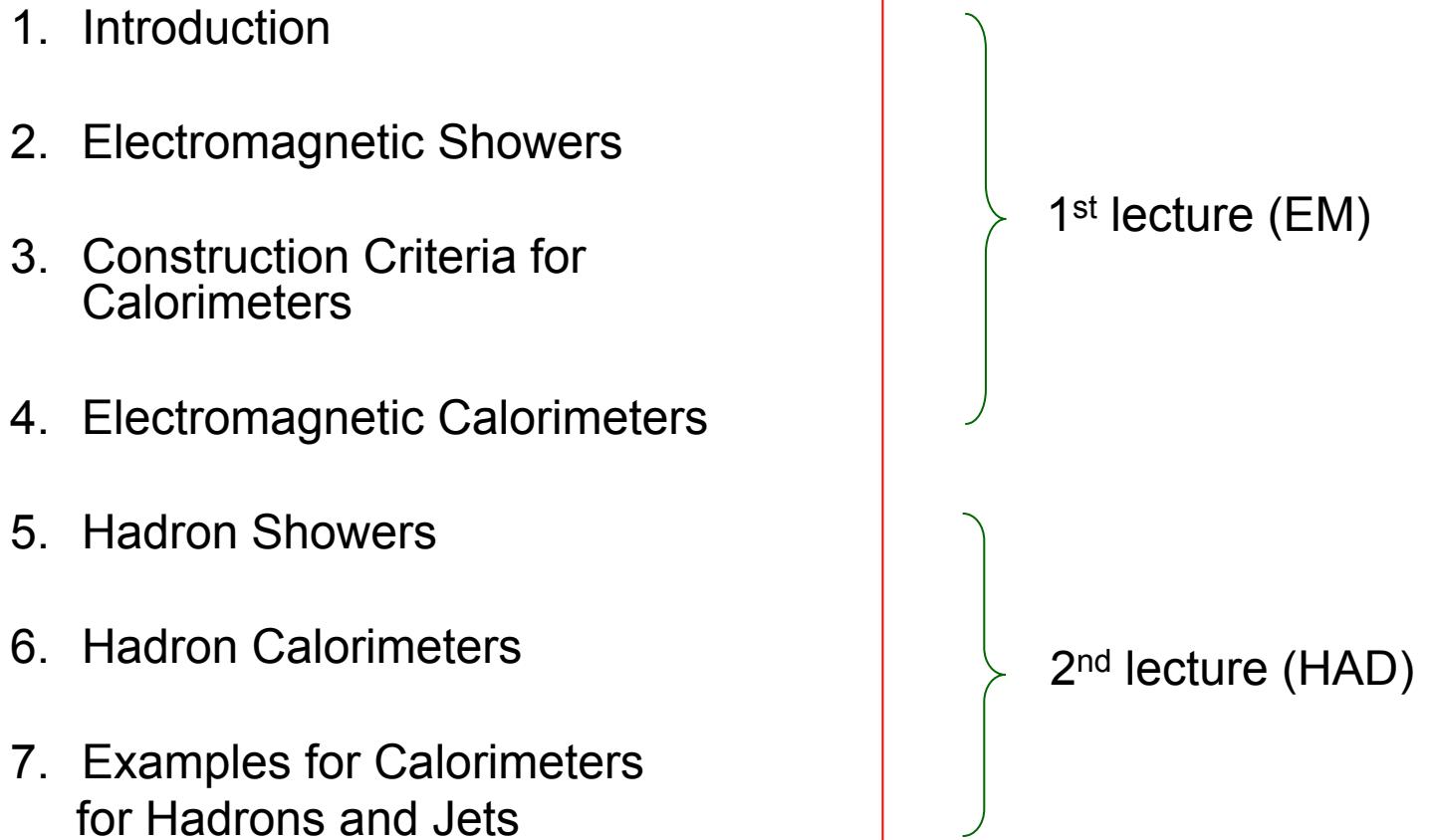


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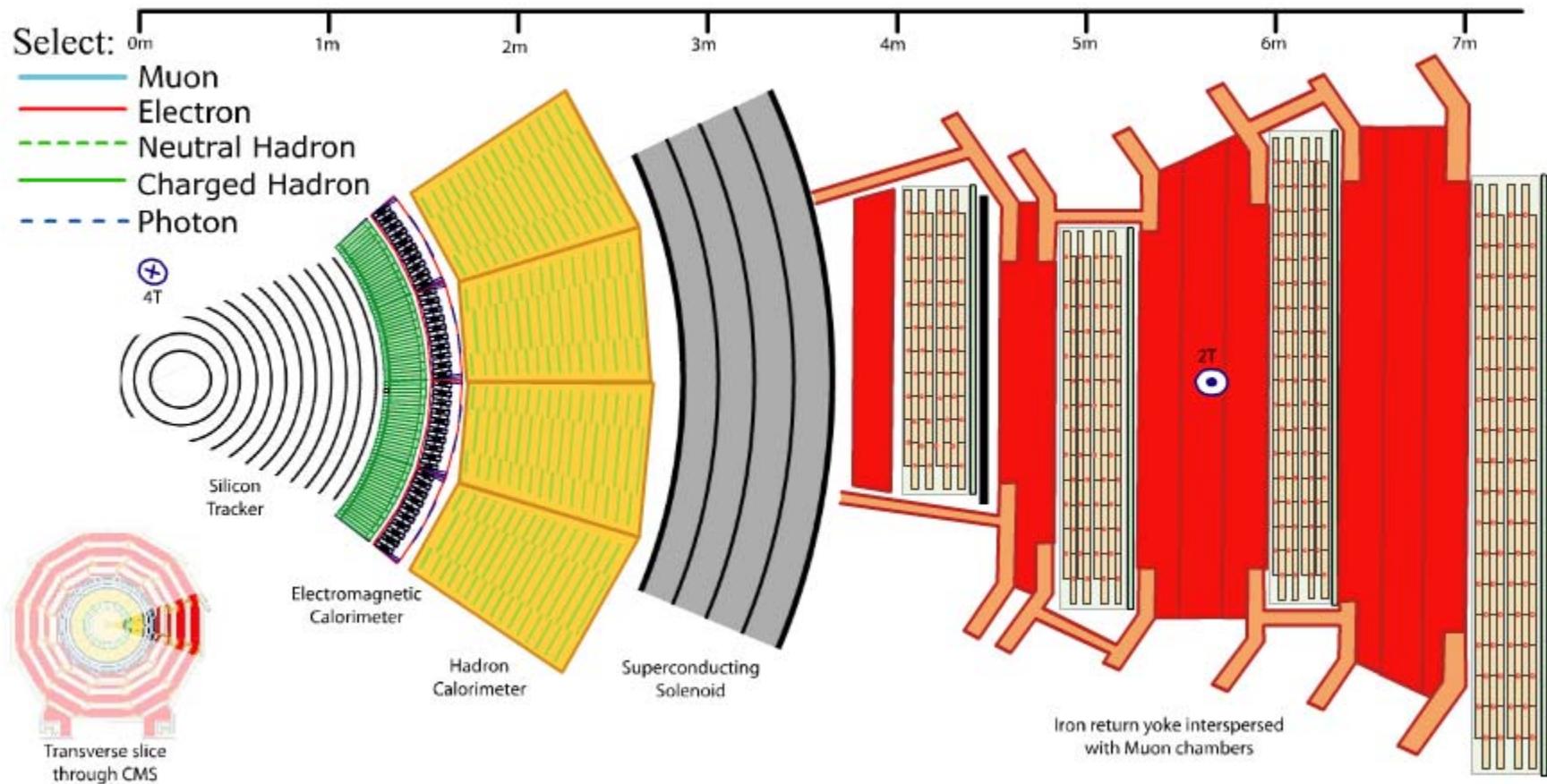
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# 1. Introduction

## Transverse slice through CMS detector

Click on a particle type to visualise that particle in CMS



# Momentum and Energy Resolutions

## Momentum

$$\frac{\sigma_p}{p} \approx 0.1 \dots 1 \% \cdot p/\text{GeV}$$

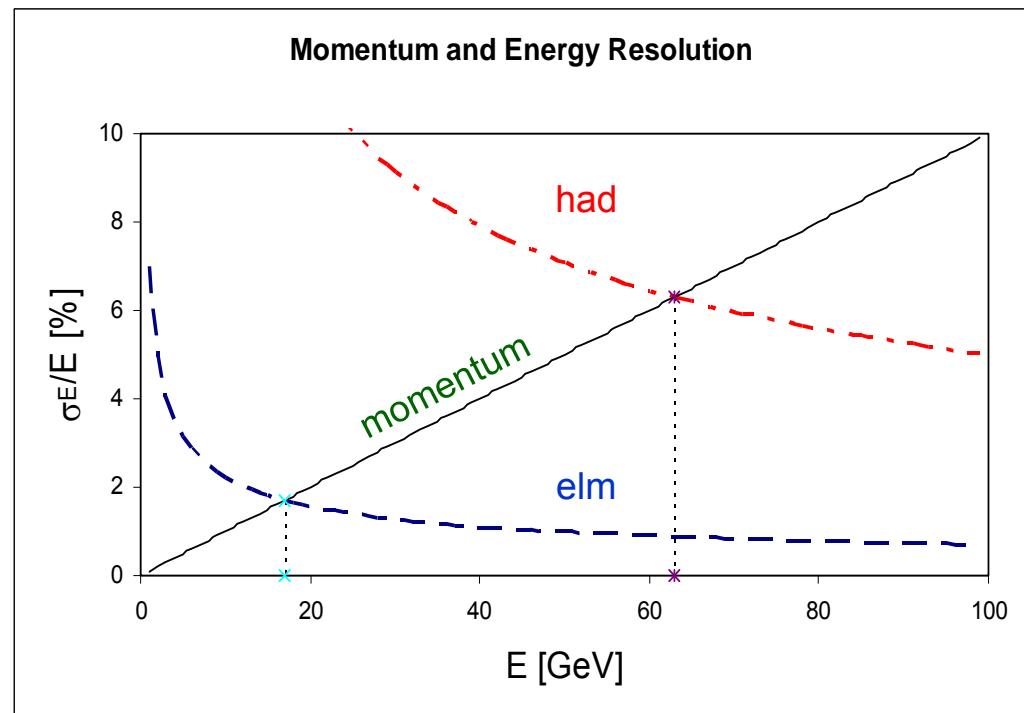
## Energy

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} \approx \frac{2-15 \%}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}}$$

elm.

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} \approx \frac{35-120 \%}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}}$$

had..



## 2 Electromagnetic Showers

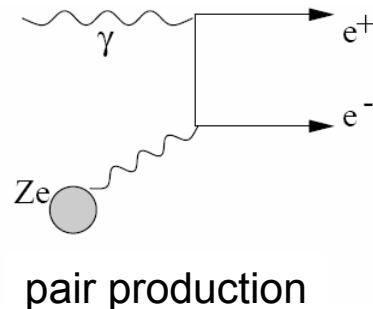
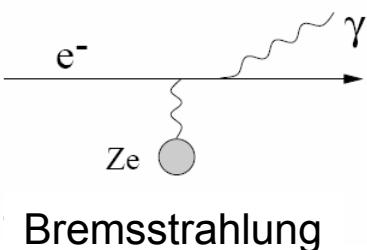
2.1 Model of Shower Development

2.2 Characteristic Size of Electromagnetic Showers

    2.2.1 Longitudinal Shower Profile

    2.2.2 Lateral Shower Profile

# Electromagnetic Showers



$$\sigma_{paar,brems} \sim Z^2$$

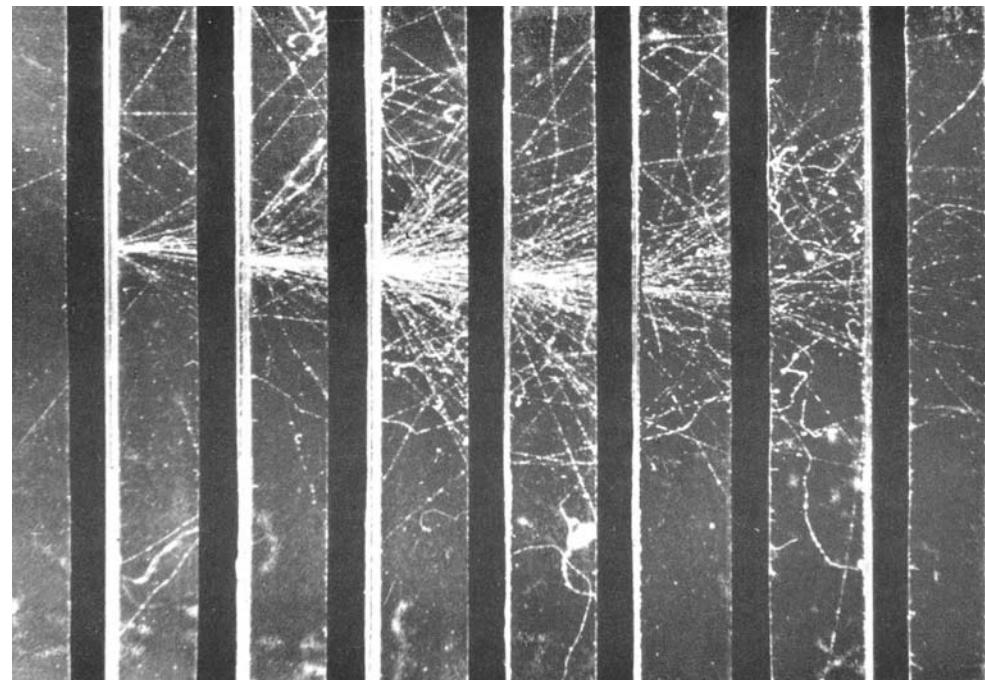
$$\theta \sim \frac{1}{\gamma} = \frac{m_e}{E}$$

common scale: **radiation length**

$$I_\gamma(x) = I_0 e^{-\frac{x}{\lambda}}$$

photons:  $\lambda \approx \frac{9}{7} X_0$

$$\text{electrons: } \frac{dE}{E} = \frac{dx}{X_0}$$



# Shower Parameters: radiation length and critical energy

## radiation length

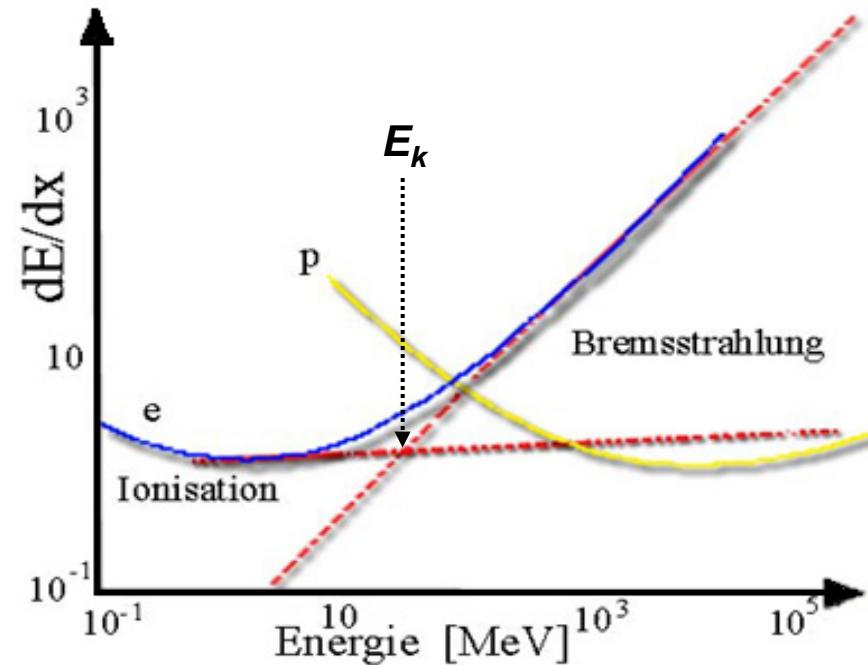
$$\left(\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_{rad} = -\frac{E}{X_0} \Rightarrow E(x) = E_0 \cdot e^{-x/X_0}$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho X_0} \approx \underbrace{4\alpha r_e^2 N_A}_{(716 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^2})^{-1}} \frac{1}{A} Z(Z+1) \ln \frac{287}{\sqrt{Z}} \sim Z^2$$

## critical energy

$$\frac{dE}{dx}|_{ion}(E_k) = \left(\frac{dE}{dx}(E_k)\right)_{rad} \approx -\frac{E_k}{X_0}$$

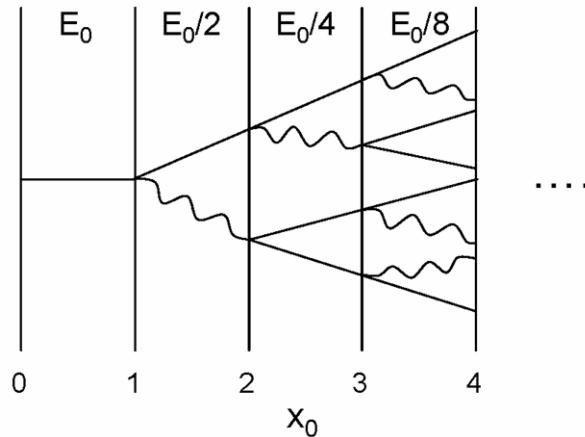
$$E_k \approx \frac{610 \text{ MeV}}{Z+1.24} \sim \frac{1}{Z} \quad (\text{solids})$$



# Simplified Model: Rossi's 'Approximation B'

## Assumptions:

- only brems. and pair p. (asymptotic cross sections)
- only ionisation when  $E_k$  is reached  $dE/dx = E_k/X_0$
- shower 1-dim, no multiple scattering



total number :  $N_{tot} \approx \frac{E_0}{E_k}$ ,

total track length :  $S_{tot} \approx \frac{E_0}{E_k} \cdot X_0$

after  $t$  steps :  $N = 2^t$  and  $E_{e,\gamma} = \frac{E_0}{2^t}$

at the end :  $E_{e,\gamma} = E_k = \frac{E_0}{2^{t_{max}}}$

$\Rightarrow N_{max} = \frac{E_0}{E_k}$  and  $t_{max} = \frac{\ln E_0/E_k}{\ln 2}$

## Important result:

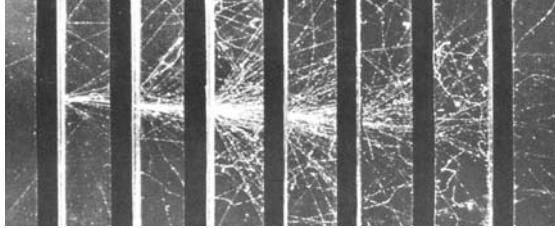
$$N_{max} \sim E \quad \text{and} \quad t_{max} \sim \ln E + const$$

## Basis of calorimetry:

- Signal  $\sim N_{max} \sim E \Rightarrow$  linearity
- shower size  $\sim \ln E \Rightarrow$  makes calorimeters practical

# Realistic Showers

Many **experimental** studies of shower development



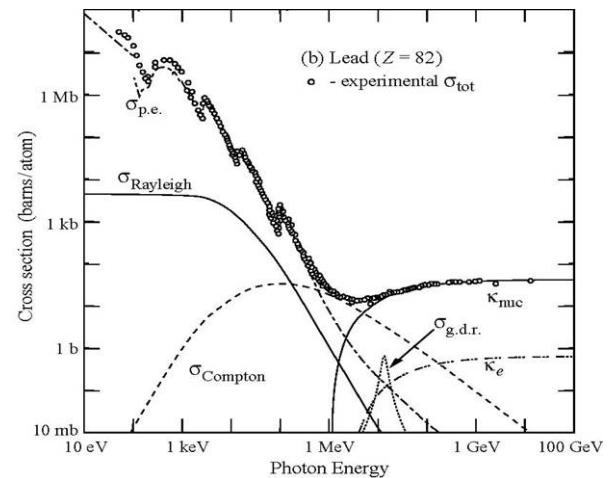
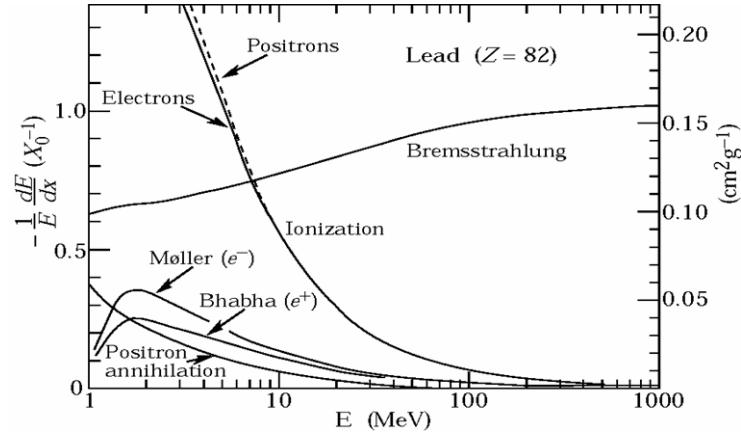
supported by realistic **simulations** :

**Geant4**, EGS (= Electron Gamma Shower), Fluka, ...

include all processes, specifically also  
Compton, photo effect, multiple scattering

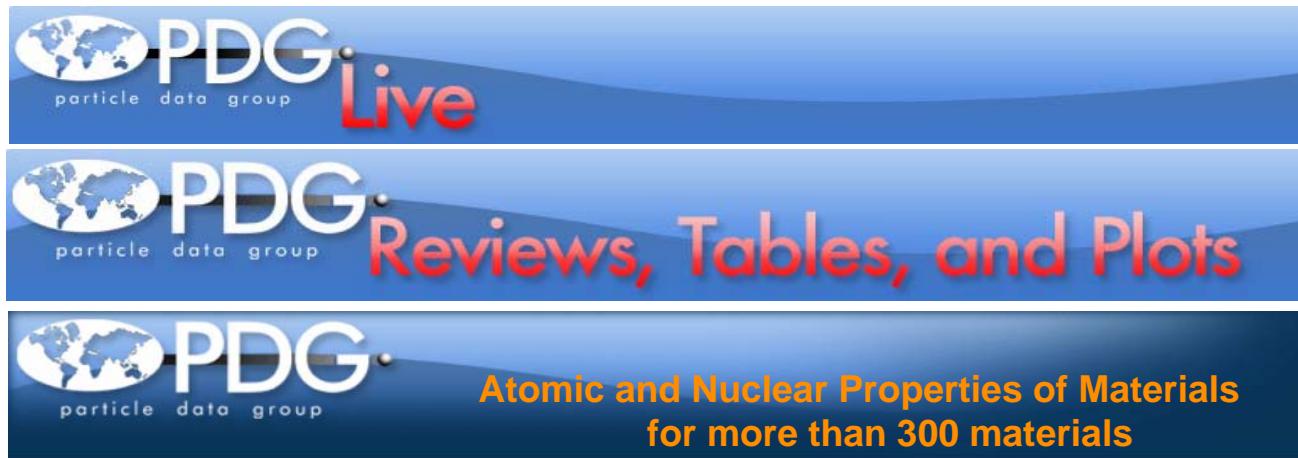
Simulations became very reliable (for e.m. showers!)

– **but watch the  $E_{\text{cut}}$ 's and step sizes.**



Reasonable parameterizations for design studies are possible.

# Use of Review of Particle Physics ([PDG](#))



## Experimental Methods and Colliders

[Accelerator physics of colliders \(rev.\)](#)

[High-energy collider parameters \(rev.\)](#)

[Passage of particles through matter \(rev.\)](#)

[Particle detectors for accelerators \(rev.\)](#)

[Particle detectors for non-accelerator physics \(new\)](#)

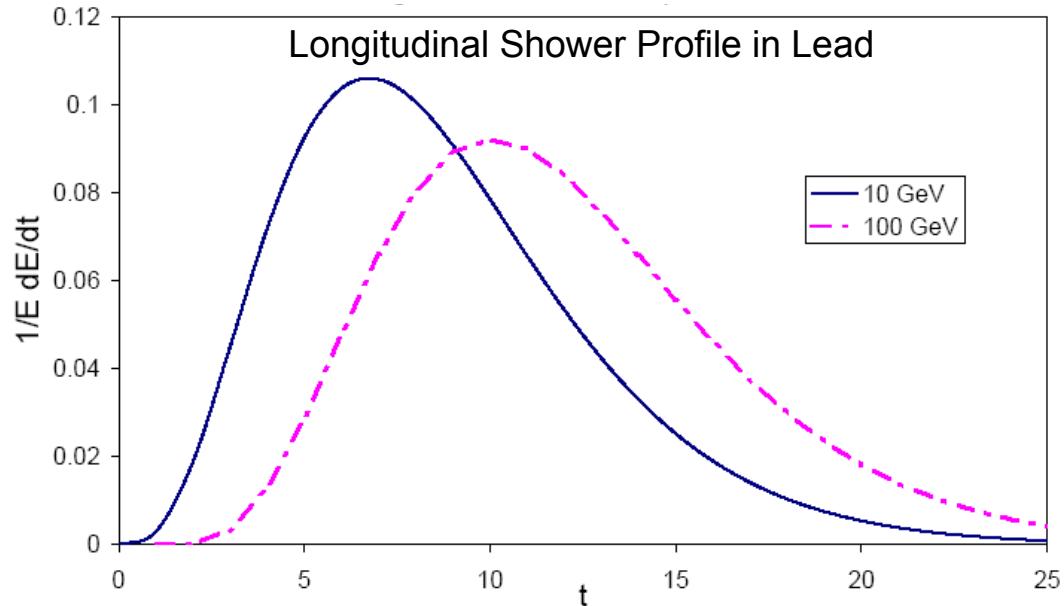
[Radioactivity and radiation protection \(rev.\)](#)

[Commonly used radioactive sources](#)

# Longitudinal Shower Profile

'Longo formula'

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = E_0 \frac{b^{\alpha+1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t^\alpha e^{-bt}$$



$$t_{max} = \frac{\alpha}{b} = \ln \frac{E_0}{E_k} + \begin{cases} -0.5 & \text{(electrons)} \\ +0.5 & \text{(photons)} \end{cases}$$

$$b \approx 0.5$$

$$t^{98\%} \approx t_{max} + 13.6 \pm 2.0$$

# Lateral Shower Profile

pair, brems

$$\theta \sim \frac{1}{\gamma} = \frac{m_e}{E}$$

very small

Molière scattering

$$\theta_{rms} \approx \frac{E_s}{pc\beta} \sqrt{\frac{x}{2X_0}} \quad (E_s = 21.2 \text{ MeV})$$

⇒ strong correlation with energy

Important for lateral shower size:

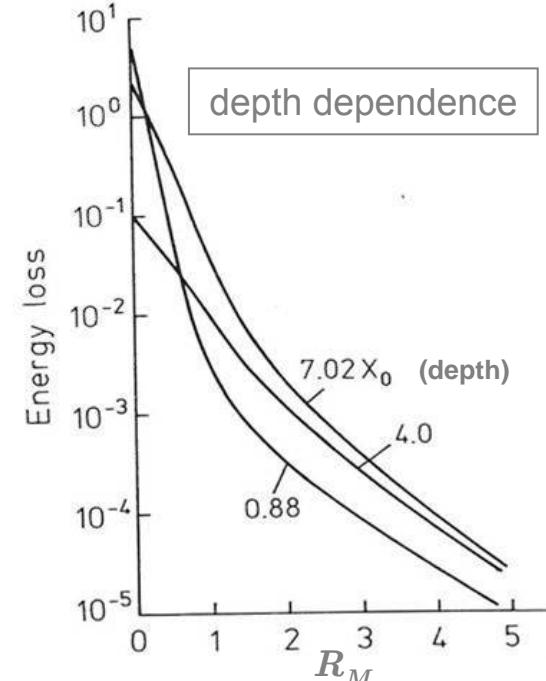
**multiple scattering, Compton and photo effect**

(neglected in Rossi's approximation B)

Molière radius

$$R_M = \frac{E_s}{E_k} \cdot X_0$$

$$R_M \sim \frac{1}{Z} \quad \text{but} \quad \frac{R_M}{X_0} \sim Z$$

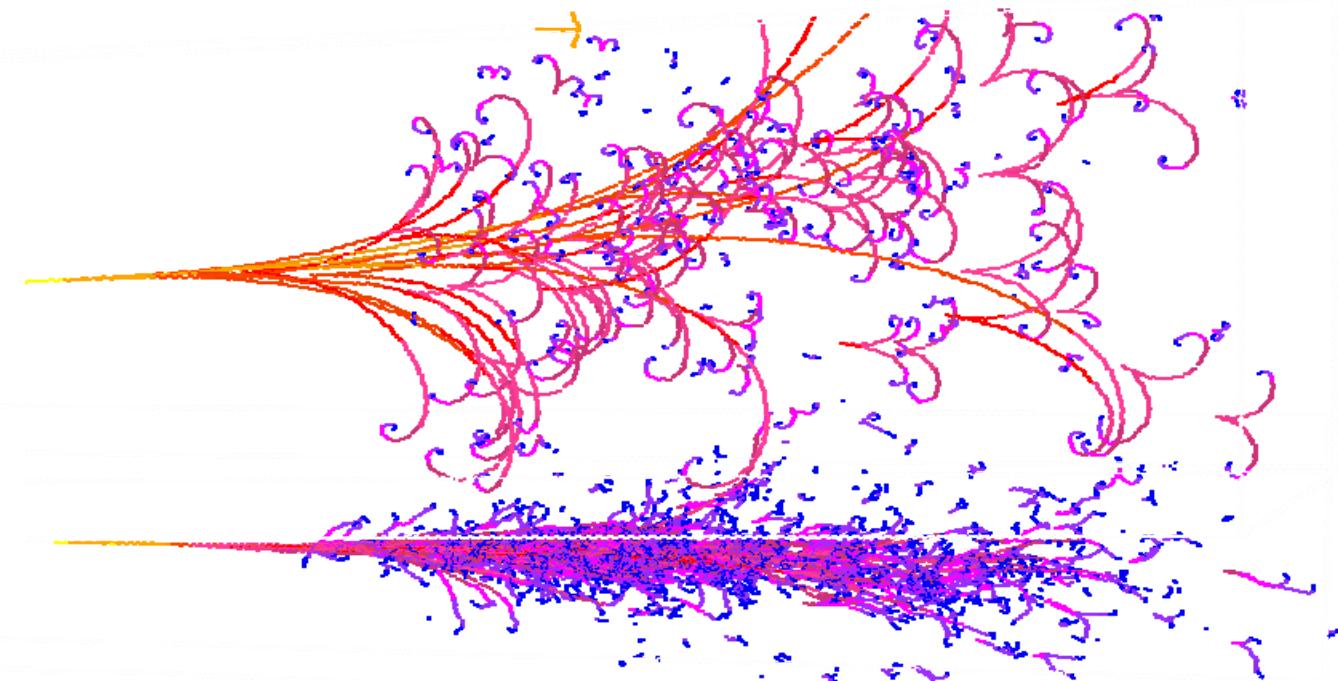


$R/R_M$	1	2	3.5
$\Delta E/E_0 [\%]$	90	95	99

# Shower Size Parameters

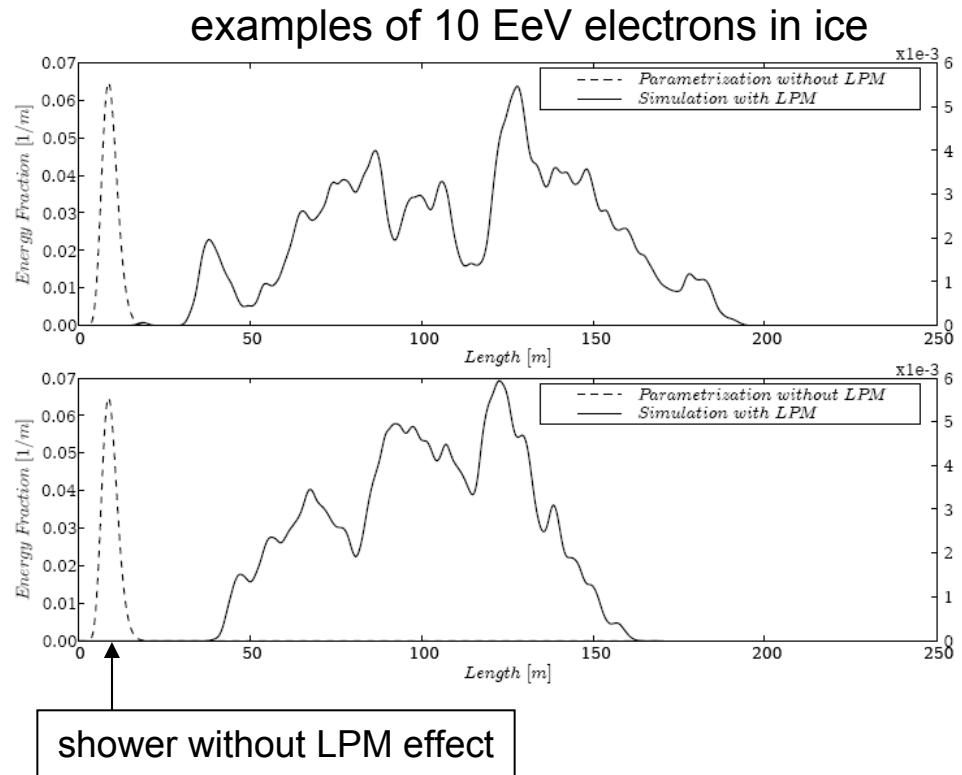
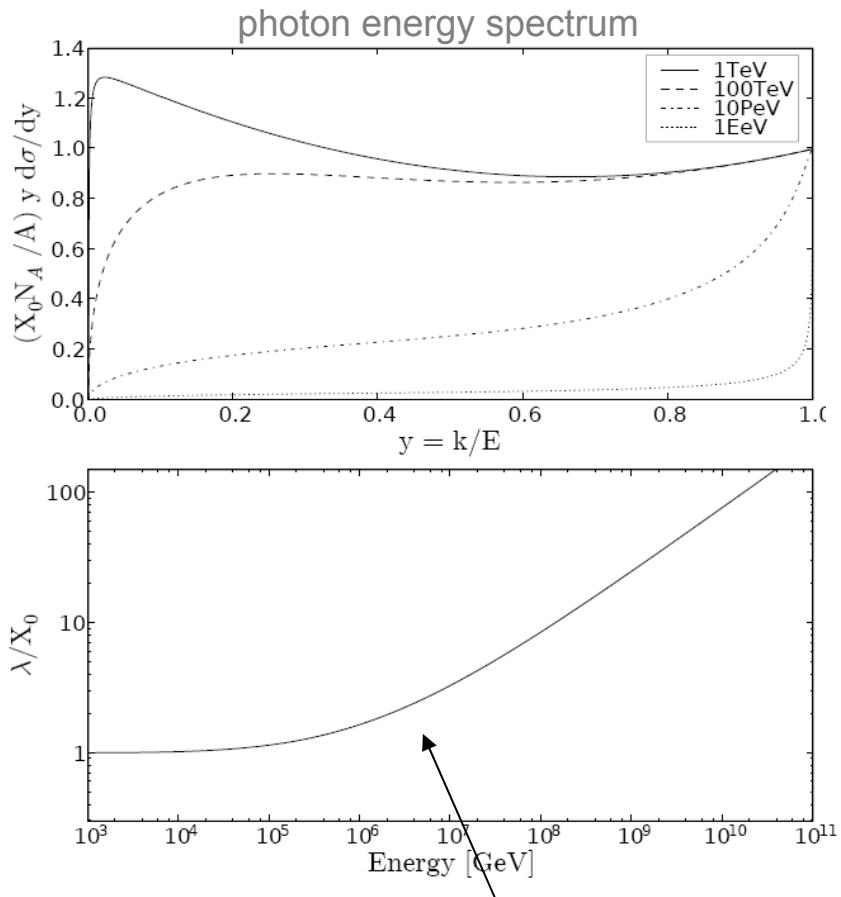
Material	$Z$	$X_0$ [cm]	$E_k$ [MeV]	$t_{max}$		$t^{98\%}$		$R_M$ [cm]	$R_M/X_0$
				10 GeV	100 GeV	10 GeV	100 GeV		
H <sub>2</sub> O	1,8	36.1	92.0	4.2	6.5	17.8	20.1	8.3	0.23
LNe	10.0	24.0	55.0	4.7	7.0	18.3	20.6	9.2	0.39
Al	13.0	8.9	43.0	4.9	7.3	18.5	20.9	4.5	0.51
Fe	26.0	1.8	22.0	5.6	7.9	19.2	21.5	1.8	1.02
Pb	82.0	0.6	7.3	6.7	9.0	20.3	22.6	1.6	2.86

20 GeV e<sup>-</sup>  
in liquid neon  
300x100x100 cm<sup>3</sup>  
1.74 Tesla



[showers: <http://www.mppmu.mpg.de/~menke/elss/home.shtml>]

# LPM Effect



wavelengths of sh. particles become longer than distance between atoms  
 ⇒ multiple scattering distorts coherence

# 3 Construction Criteria for Calorimeters (1)

## - Construction Features:

homogeneous vs. sampling,

passive = absorber – active = readout

modular, (non-)pointing geometry, trigger towers

hermeticity

## - Size and Granularity of a Calorimeter

small leakage: long.  $t^{98\%}$ , lateral  $\sim 2 R_M$ , modularity  $\sim R_M$ ,

pre-sampler and tail catcher

## - Energy Resolution:

fine sampling, efficient RO,

low noise,

small leakage,

low mechanical and electronic tolerances,

small intercalibration errors, ....

# Construction Criteria for Calorimeters (2)

## - Position and Direction Resolution

$$\text{granularity} \leq R_M$$

## - Signal Collection and Time Resolution

for triggering event separation, (scint ~ ns, LAr ~  $\mu$ s, ...)

## - Linearity

no leakage, no saturation, high electronic dynamic range

## - Calibration

external beams with MC and in situ calibration (kinematics, rad.act. sources)

## - Radiation Hardness

material and electronics, issue mainly in high intensity hadron machines

# 4 Electromagnetic Calorimeters

4.1 Overview

4.2 Homogeneous Calorimeters

    4.2.1 Absorbers and Readout

    4.2.2 Examples for homogeneous Calorimeters

4.3 Sampling Calorimeters

    4.3.1 Technologies

    4.3.2 Examples for Sampling Calorimeters

4.4 Energy Resolution of Electromagnetic  
Calorimeters

    4.1 Energy Dependence of Resolution Terms

    4.2 Stochastic Term

    4.3 Noise Term

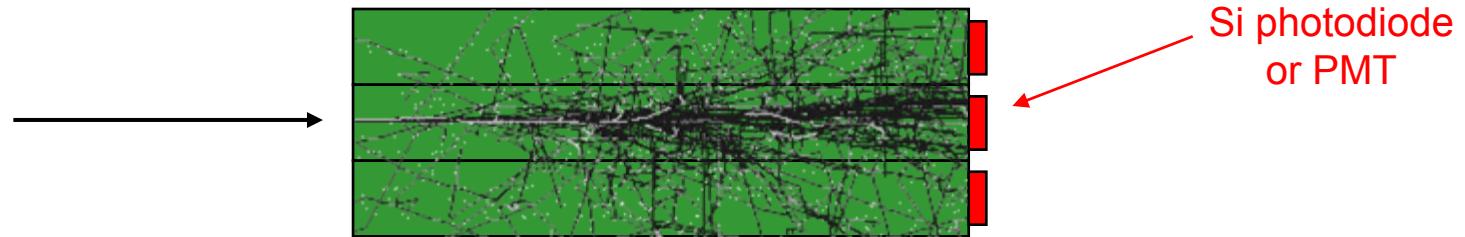
    4.4 Constant Term

# Calorimeter Types

## 2 general classes:

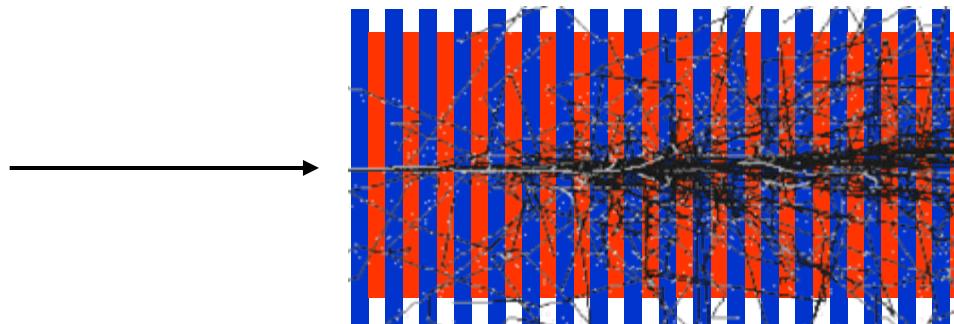
### Homogeneous calorimeters:

Single medium as both absorber and detector, such as anorganic crystal scintillators (NaI, CsI, BGO, PbWO<sub>4</sub> .....), lead glass, liquid Xe or Kr, ...



### Sampling calorimeters:

Layers of passive absorber (such as Pb, Cu, Fe, ...) and active detector layers such as scintillator, Si, liquid argon (LAr), PWC, ...



# Material Properties for Mixtures

Define the **weight fractions** (for sandwich with  $l_i$  thicknesses):

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = \sum_i \frac{w_i}{\rho_i} \quad \text{and} \quad w_i = \frac{l_i \rho_i}{\sum_j l_j \rho_j}$$

radiation length:

$$\frac{1}{X_0} = \sum_i \frac{w_i}{X_{0,i}}$$

$X_0, X_{0i}, R_M$  in  $[\frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^2}]$

Moliere radius:

$$\frac{1}{R_M} = \frac{1}{E_s} \sum_i \left( w_i \frac{E_{k,i}}{X_{0i}} \right)$$

# More generic: how to calculate mean free pathes in mixtures?

reaction rate :  $\frac{dN}{N} = - \underbrace{n \sigma}_{1/\lambda} dx \Rightarrow N = N_0 e^{-\frac{x}{\lambda}}$

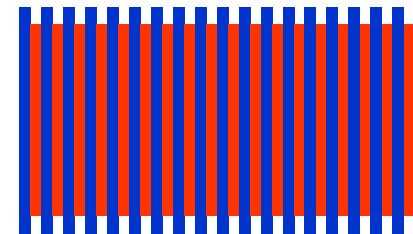
target density :  $n = \frac{N_A}{A} \rho$

meanfreepath :  $\lambda = \frac{1}{n \sigma}$

mixture (e.g. 2):

$$\bar{n} \bar{\sigma} dx = \frac{n_1 \sigma_1 l_1 + n_2 \sigma_2 l_2}{l_1 + l_2} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{\frac{1}{\lambda_1} l_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} l_2}{l_1 + l_2}$$



defining :  $\bar{\rho} = \frac{\rho_1 l_1 + \rho_2 l_2}{l_1 + l_2}$  and  $\lambda' = \bar{\rho} \lambda$  etc. finally gets :

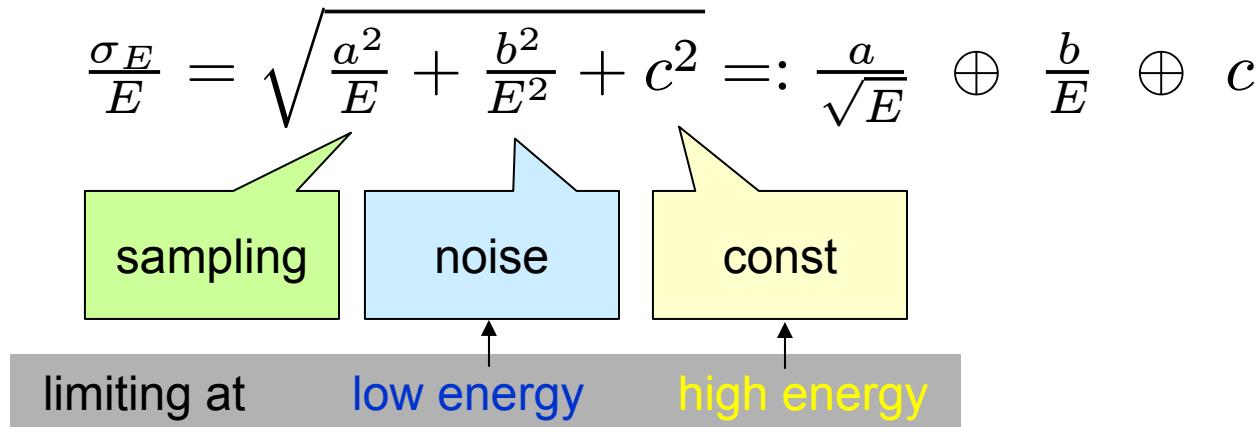
$$\frac{1}{\lambda'} = \frac{\frac{1}{\lambda'_1} \rho_1 l_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda'_2} \rho_2 l_2}{\rho_1 l_1 + \rho_2 l_2}$$

# Exercises (EM)



Find the exercises here.

# Energy Resolution (general)



H1 LAr Calorimeter (BBE = 'backward barrel electromagnetic')

$$a = 9.4\% \sqrt{\text{GeV}}$$

$$b = 230 \text{ MeV}$$

$$c = 1.1\%$$

Examples:

$$100\text{-GeV electrons: } a/\sqrt{E} = 0.9\%; \quad b/E \approx 0; \quad c = 1.1\% \Rightarrow \sigma_E/E \cong 2\%$$

CMS Crystal Calorimeter:

$$a = 2.8\% \sqrt{\text{GeV}}$$

$$b = 120 \text{ MeV}$$

$$c = 0.3\%$$

$$100\text{-GeV electrons: } a/\sqrt{E} = 0.3\%; \quad b/E \approx 0; \quad c = 0.3\% \Rightarrow \sigma_E/E \cong 0.4\%$$

# Properties of Selected EM Calorimeters

type	$X_0$	$R_M$	distance from IR	face area of a cell	thickness/ $X_0$		resolution ( $E$ in GeV)			$\sigma_\theta$ [mrad]	experiment
	[cm]	[cm]	[cm]	[cm $^2$ ]	passive layer	total	A, [%/GeV],	$\sigma(E)/E$	B [MeV]	C [%]	
homogeneous Calorimeter											
NaI(Tl)	2.59	4.8	25.4	12.9	-	15.7	$2.8/\sqrt[4]{E}$	$\sim 0.05$	-	26-35	C. BALL
CsI(Tl)	1.85	3.5	92	$4.7 \times 4.7$	-	16	$2.3/\sqrt[4]{E}$	0.15	1.35	$4.2/\sqrt{E}$	BABAR
BGO	1.12	2.3	50	$2 \times 2$	-	22	$\sim 2/\sqrt{E}$	-	-	$\sim 10$	L3
Pb glass	2.54	3.5	245	$10 \times 10$	-	25	$6.3/\sqrt{E}$	11	0.2	4.5	OPAL
PbWO <sub>4</sub>	0.89	2.0	130	$2.2 \times 2.2$	-	25.8	$2.8/\sqrt{E}$	120	0.3	$\sim 0.7$	CMS
LKr	4.7	5.9	$\sim 100$ m	$2.0 \times 2.0$	-	27	$3.2/\sqrt{E}$	90	0.42	$\sigma_x \approx 1$ mm	NA 48
Sampling Calorimeter											
Pb/Szi	3.2	5.0	230	$10 \times 10$	0.18	12.5	$6.5/\sqrt{E}$	< 10	7.2	$6.5/\sqrt{E}$	ARGUS
Pb/LAr	1.1	2.66	90	10-100	0.42	20-30	$11/\sqrt{E}$	150	0.6	?	H1
Pb/Szi	1.7	4.15	1350	$5.59 \times 5.59$	0.54	20	$11.8/\sqrt{E}$	-	1.4	$1.0/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.2$	HERA-B
Pb/LAr	$\sim 2$	$\sim 4.1$	150	$14.7 \times 0.47$	$\sim 0.4$	22.5	$10\sqrt{E}$	190	0.5-0.7	$50 - 75/\sqrt{E}$	ATLAS
U/Szi	0.56	1.66	120	115-200	1.0	25	$18\%/\sqrt{E}$	-	-	8?	ZEUS

Missing entries mean that the numbers are not provided by the experiment (may be negligible).

Numbers are given for ‘typical’ parts in a detector, e.g. central detector; for HERA-B it is ‘Middle ECAL’

For ATLAS LAr barrel with about 50° incidence on accordion structure assumed; face area for presampler

# Requirements and Solutions

(to be compromised)

requirement	optimal solution
energy resolution	homogeneous calorimeter or high sampling frequency
space and position resolution	high granularity
electron-hadron separation	longitudinal segmentation
hermetic coverage	dense, little frame space and utility shafts
energy resolution at high energy	small constant term (tolerances, intercalibration, ..)
same energy scale for EM and HAD ( $e/h \approx 1$ )	in hardware $\Rightarrow$ EM = HAD technology (compromises EM).
jet resolution	granularity, matching of EM and HAD Hadronkalorimeter
linearity	no leakage (sufficient depth), sufficient dynamical range of signal electronics.
absolute calibration	combination of test beams, in situ and simulation
low cost	low number of electronic channels $\sim$ volume ( $\Rightarrow$ size of tracking devices)

# Homogeneous Calorimeters

## Scintillators:

- Anorganic crystals like NaJ(Tl), CsJ(Tl) oder BGO.  
Typical resolutions:

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} \approx \frac{3\%}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}} \quad \text{or often} \quad \frac{\sigma_E}{E} \approx \frac{3\%}{\sqrt[4]{E}}$$

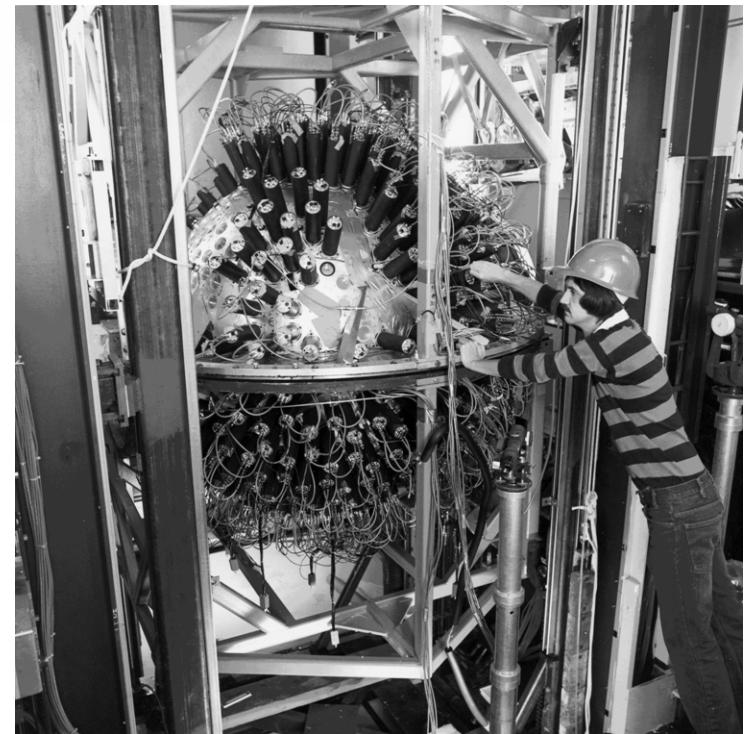
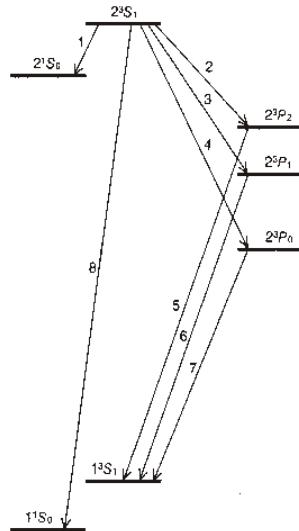
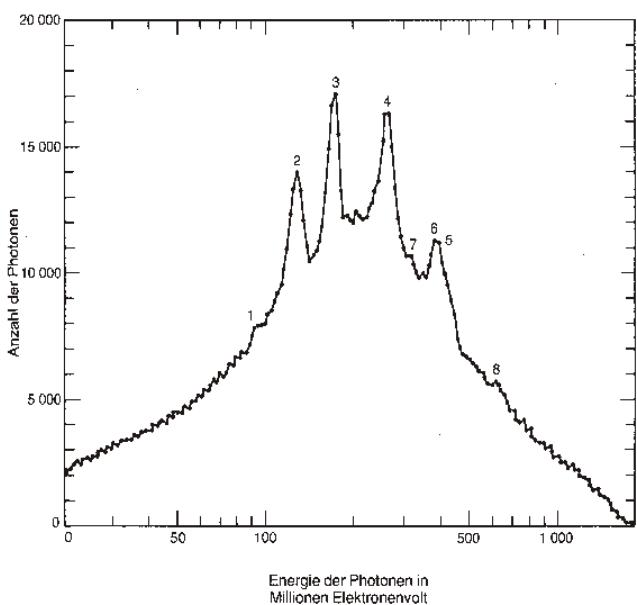
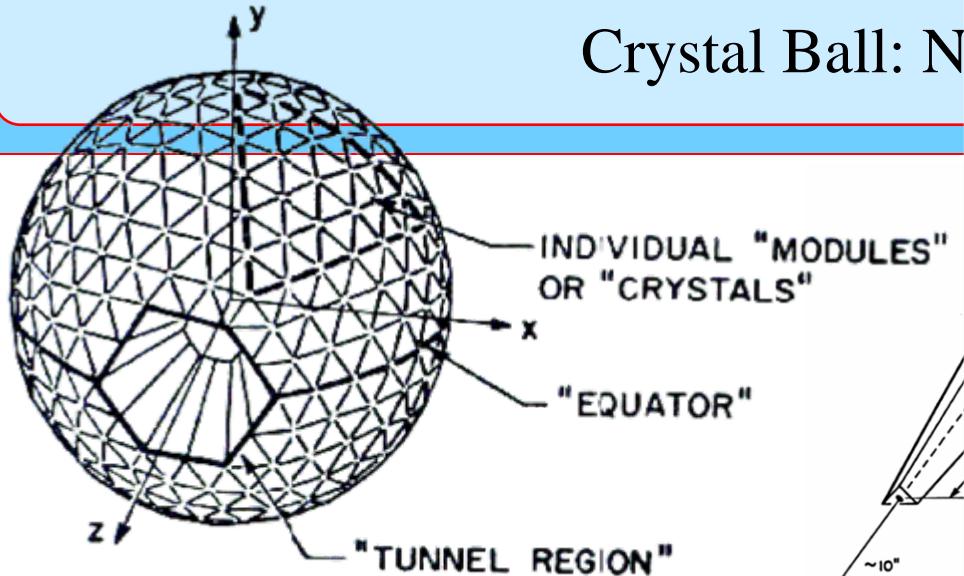
- liquid noble gases with high  $Z$  (krypton, xenon).

## Cherenkov-Detectors

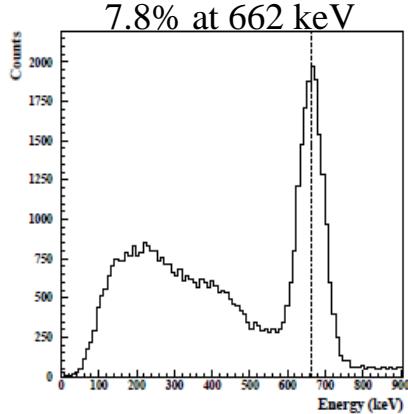
- (Pb glass, Pb F<sub>2</sub>, . . . , ice, water, . . . ).  
Typical resolutions :

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} \approx \frac{5-10\%}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}}$$

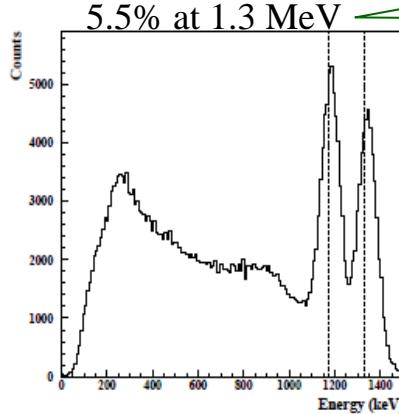
# Crystal Ball: NaJ(Tl)



# Crystal Calibration with Sources

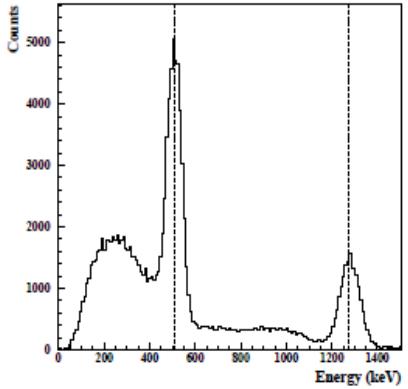


(a)  $^{137}\text{Cs}$

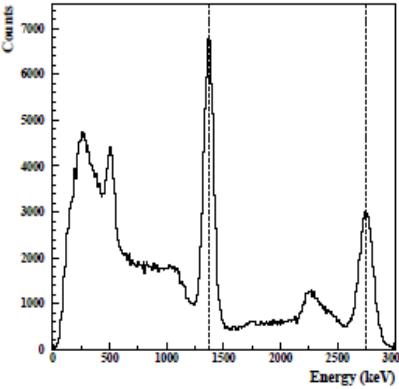


Crystal Ball

(b)  $^{60}\text{Co}$



(c)  $^{22}\text{Na}$



(d)  $^{24}\text{Na}$

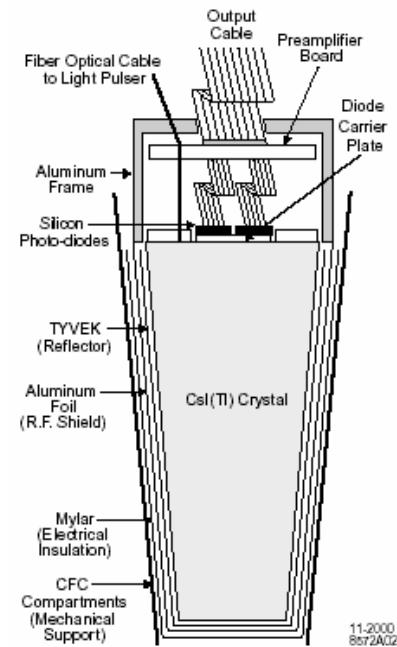
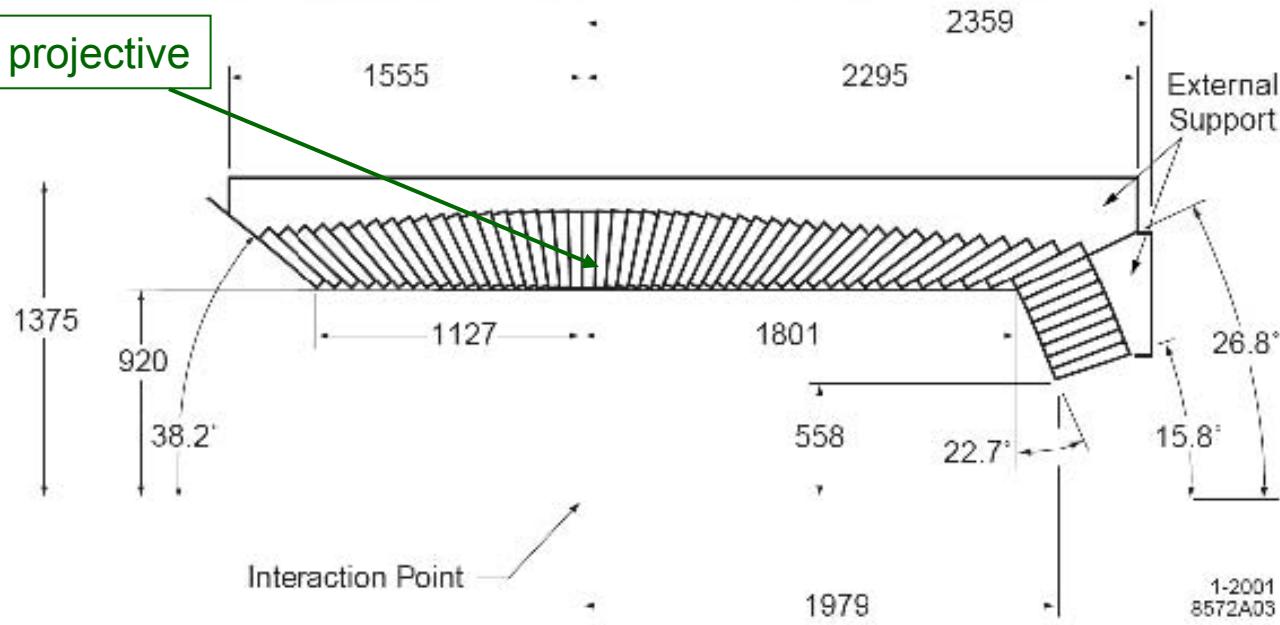
Intrinsic energy resolution of a single crystal

Noise as low as  $\text{O}(100 \text{ keV})$   
can be reached in crystals  
 $\Rightarrow$  low energy calibration  
with sources possible

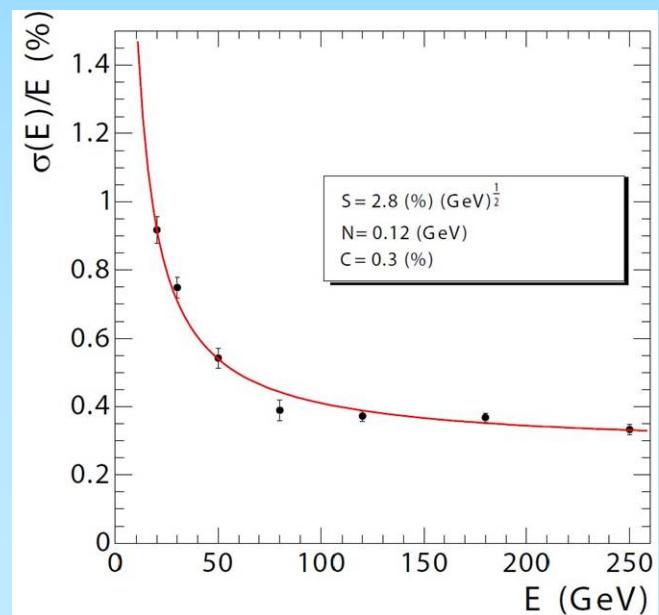
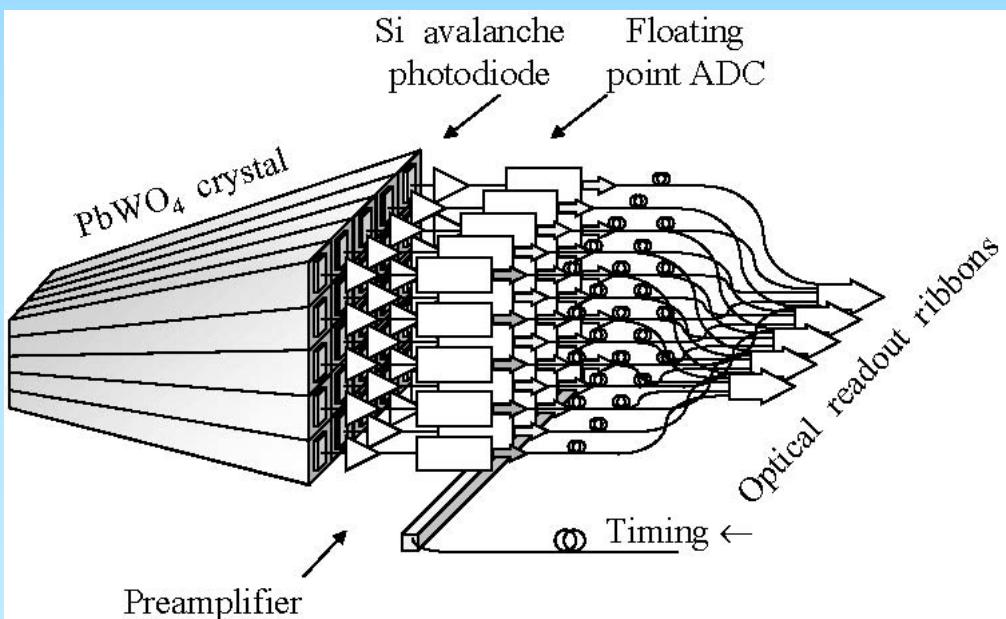
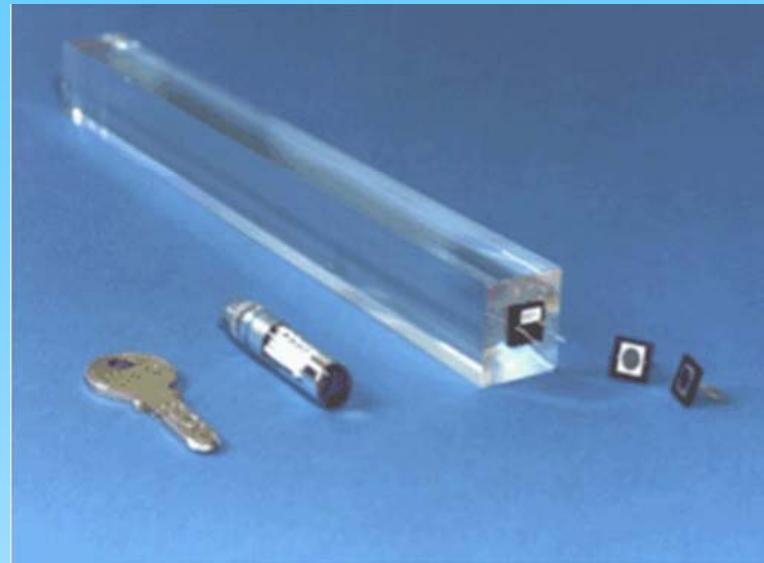
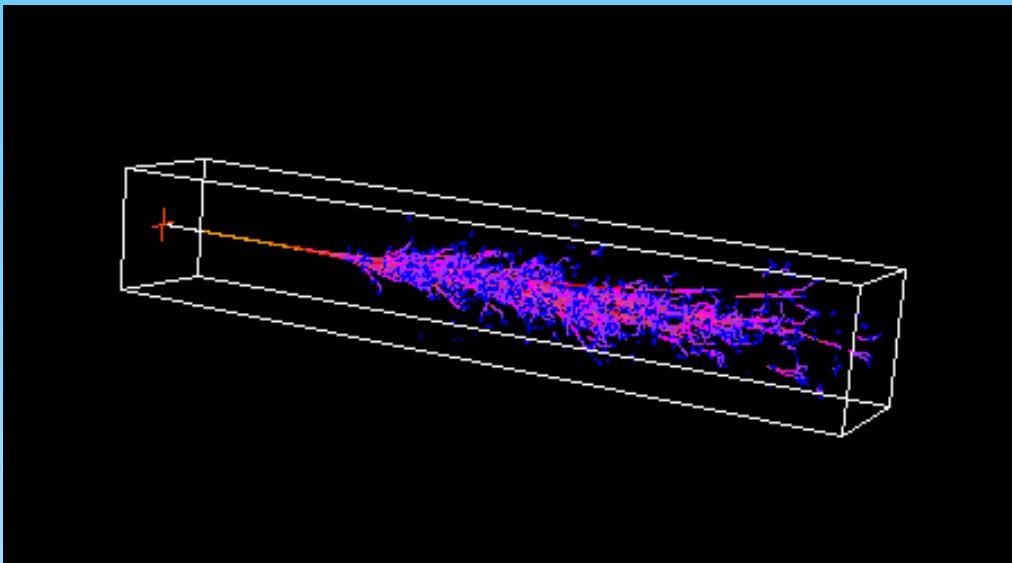
# Crystal-Calorimeter: BaBar CsI(Tl) Calorimeter



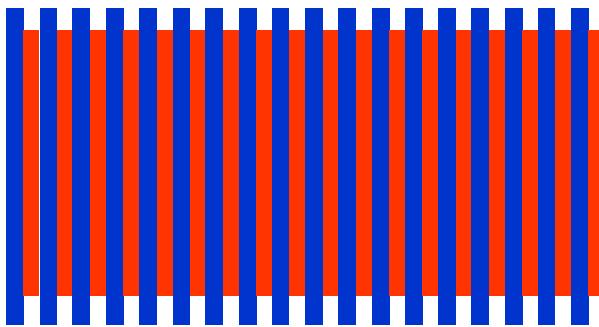
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# Electromagnetic Showers in Scintillation Crystals



# Sampling Calorimeters



$$x_p = d_p X_0^p \quad \text{passive layer (absorber)}$$
$$x_a = d_a X_0^a \quad \text{active layer (detector)}$$

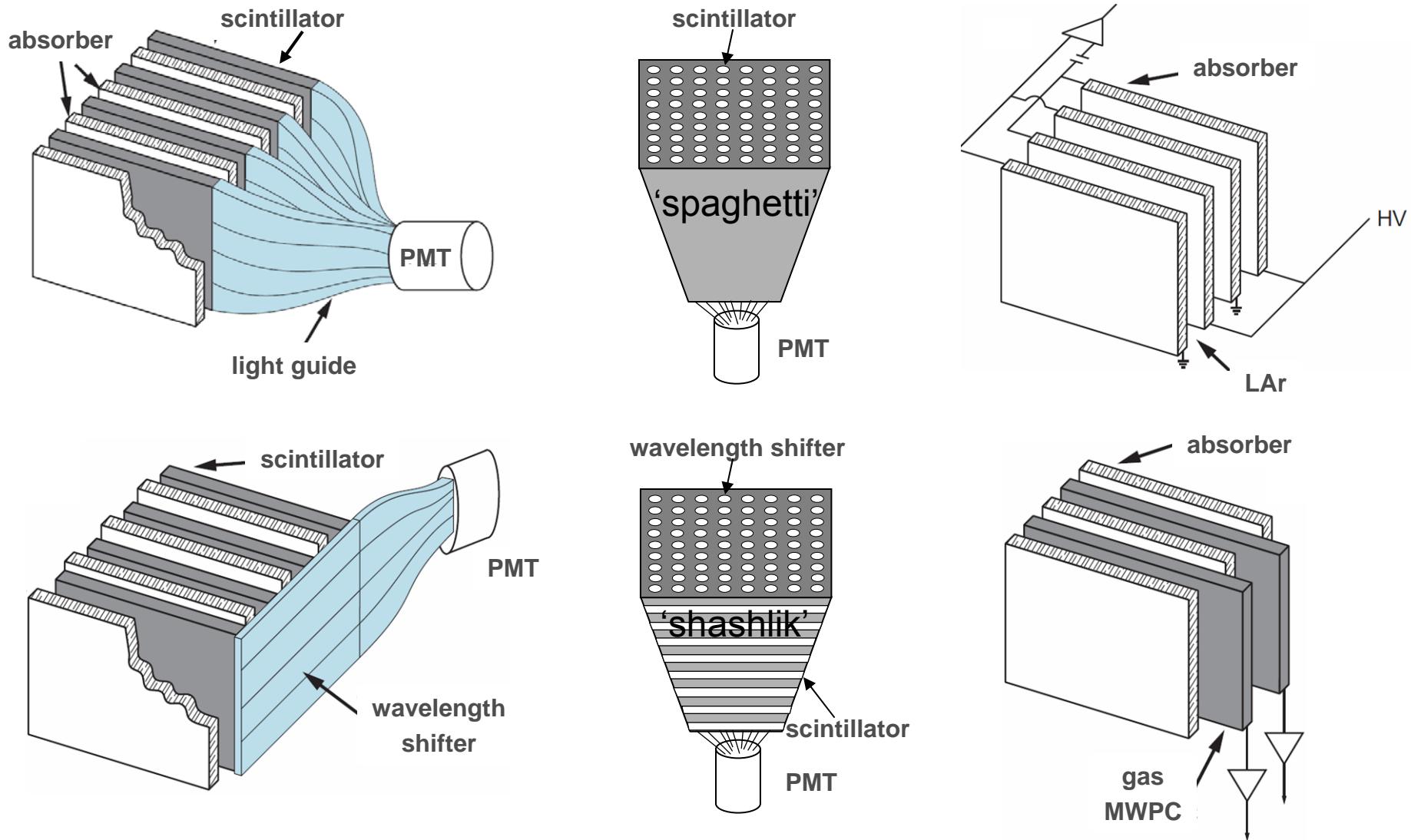
$$f_s = \frac{E_{vis}}{E_{dep}} \approx \mathcal{O}(10\%)$$

- sandwich calorimeter: absorber plates with high Z (e.g. Pb, W, U, . . . ) alternate with low Z detector layers.

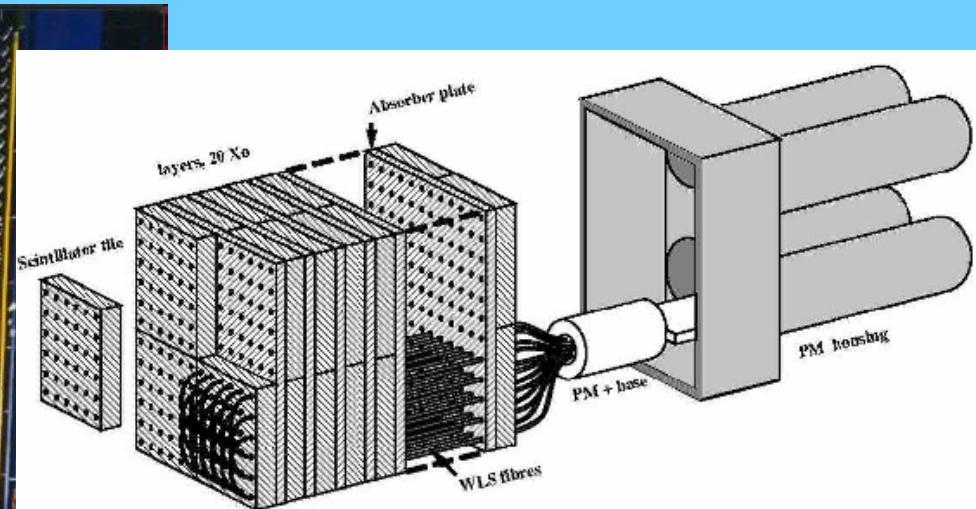
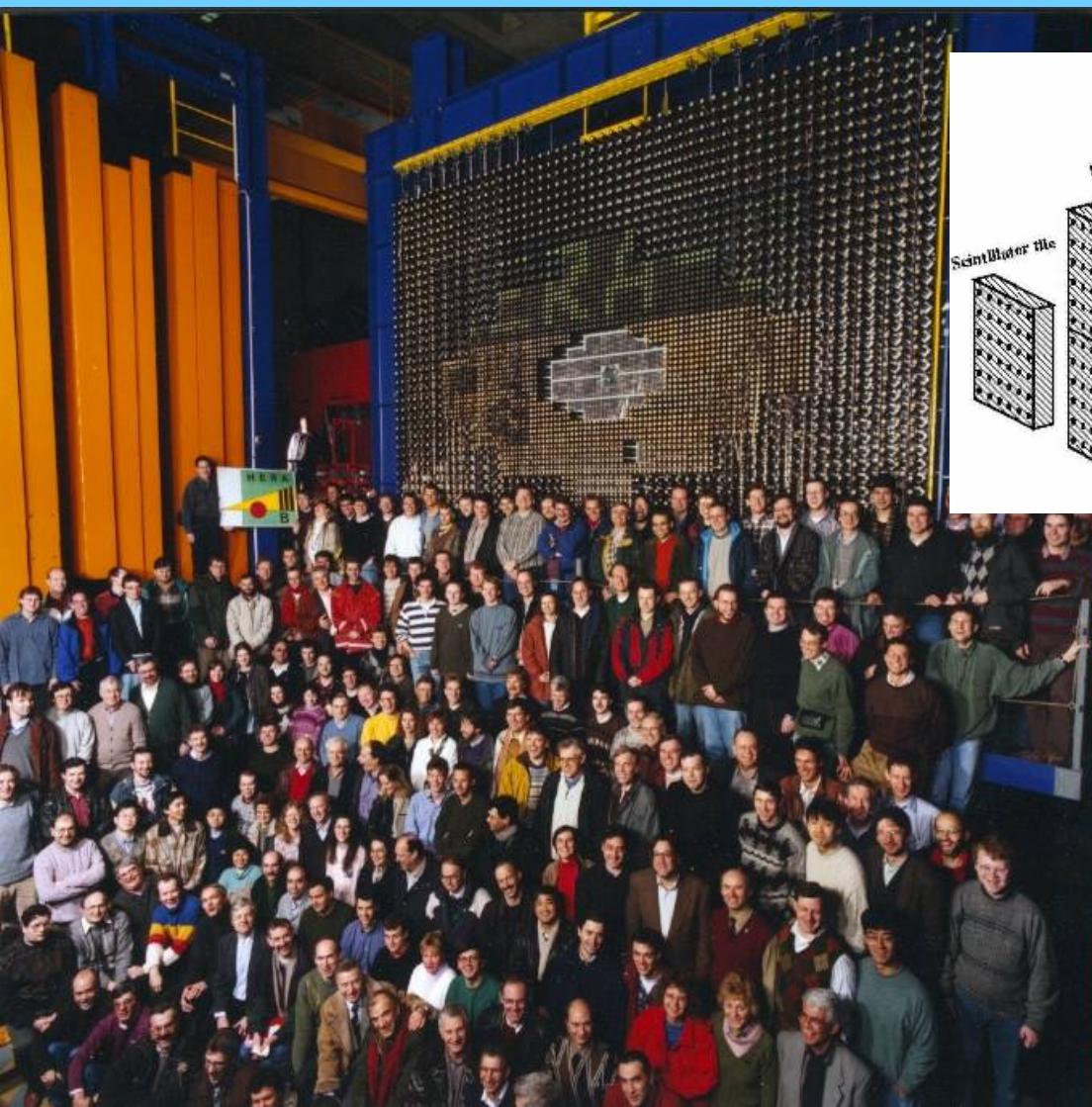
readout methods:

- scintillator with wavelength shifter readout (plates, fibers, ...)
  - proportional chambers (PWC, MWPC, streamer tubes, ...)
  - ionization chambers (LAr, ..)
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- Spaghetti calorimeter (SpaCal): scintillating fibers embedded in lead

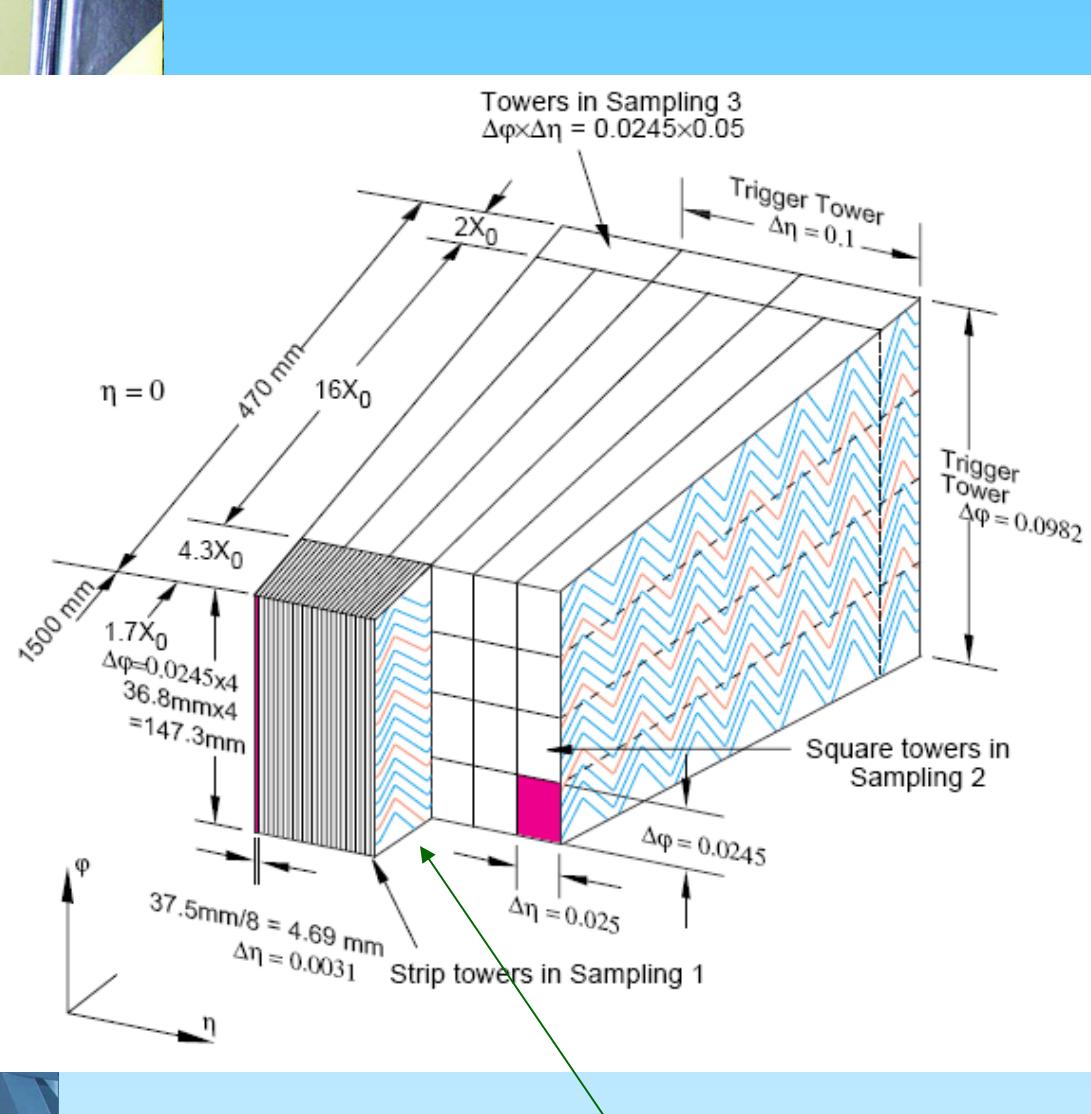
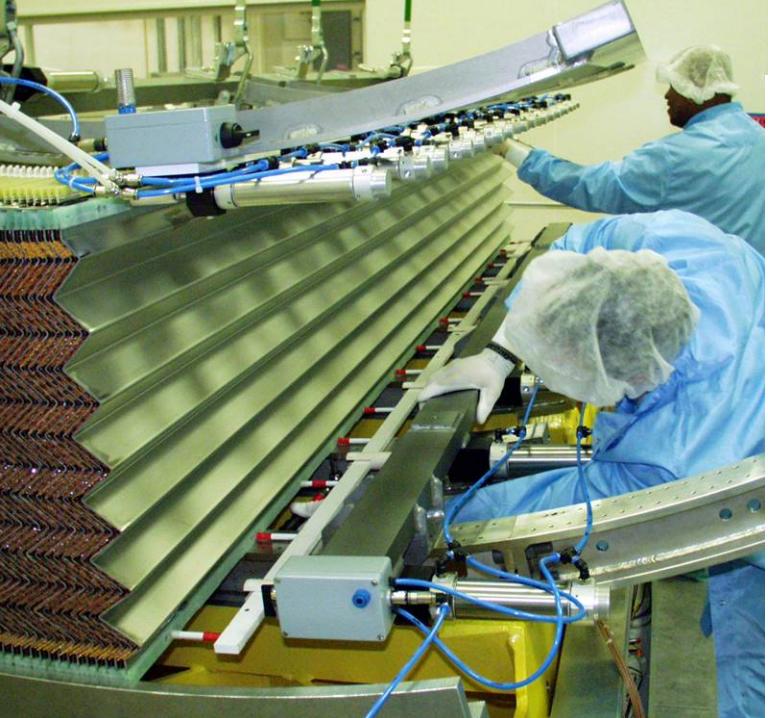
# Readout of Sampling Calorimeters



# HERA-B ECAL

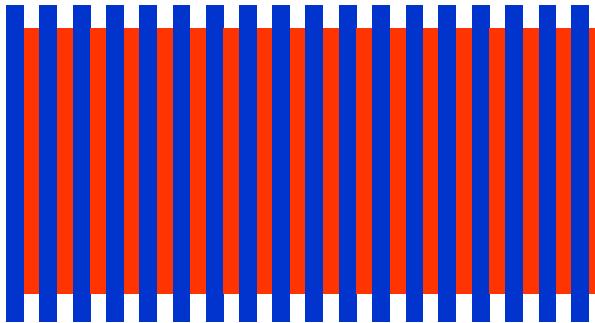


# ATLAS Accordion Calorimeter



pre-sampler for O(r.l.) material in front

# Sampling Fluctuations and Energy Resolution



Poisson statistics of particles crossing the active layer :

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} \approx \frac{\sqrt{N_{vis}}}{N_{vis}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{vis}}}$$

Rossi's approximation:

$$N_{tot} \approx \frac{E_0}{E_k} \Rightarrow S_{tot} \approx \frac{E_0}{E_k} X_0 \Rightarrow N_{vis} \approx \frac{S_{tot}}{d_p X_0} = \frac{E_0}{d_p E_k}$$

↑  
total path length      ↑  
                                absorber thickness

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_E}{E}\right)_{samp} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{vis}}} = \sqrt{\frac{d_p E_k}{E}} = 3.2\% \sqrt{\frac{d_p E_k / \text{MeV}}{E / \text{GeV}}}$$

independent of active layer!       $E_k \sim \frac{1}{Z}$

$8.6\% \sqrt{d_p/E}$  for Pb ( $N_{vis} = 136 E/d_p$ )  
 $15\% \sqrt{d_p/E}$  for Fe ( $N_{vis} = 45 E/d_p$ )

← experimentally  
usually worse. Why?

# More Realistic Sampling Term

Important indication of a problem:

$$'Rossi B': \frac{e}{mip} =: \frac{\epsilon_e}{\epsilon_{mip}} \approx 1$$

$$\text{Exp. : } \frac{e}{mip} < 1 \quad (\text{typical } \approx 0.5 - 0.7)$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\text{signal}}{E_{dep}}$$

Revise assumptions:

- ionisation is not always  $E_k/X_0$  and not energy independent
- contribution of particles with  $E \ll E_k$  substantial (MeV  $e^\pm$  with large  $dE/dx$ )
- photo- and Compton effect is not negligible and pair p.  $\neq$  const
- correlations of particles: pair production, a particle crosses many layers
- shower is not 1-dim (multiple scatt., photo- and Compton effect)

in the following  
assumed to be  
corrected for

consider only intrinsic fluctuations (e.g. no fluctuations of readout quanta)

# Modifications of the Basic Formula

Effect of cut-off energy  
(e.g. C-threshold):

$$N'_{vis} = F(\xi) N_{vis}$$

$$\xi \sim \frac{E_{cut}}{E_k}$$

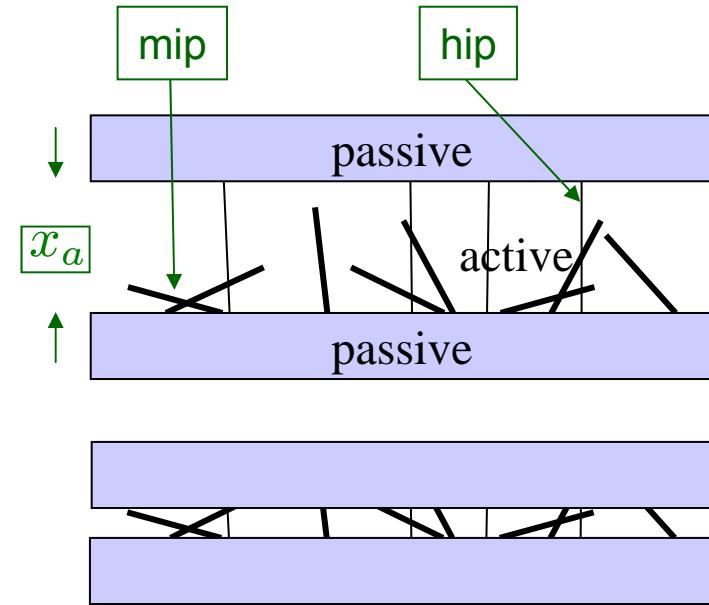
effective threshold by  
active layer thickness  $x_a$

$$E_{cut} \approx \frac{x_a}{2} \frac{dE}{dx} |_{E_{cut}}$$

Effect of scattering:

$$d'_p = \frac{d_p}{\langle \cos \theta \rangle}$$

strong  $\langle \cos \theta \rangle - E$  correlation  $\Rightarrow E_{cut}$  dependence  
more scattering at higher Z  $\Rightarrow$  more in passive layer

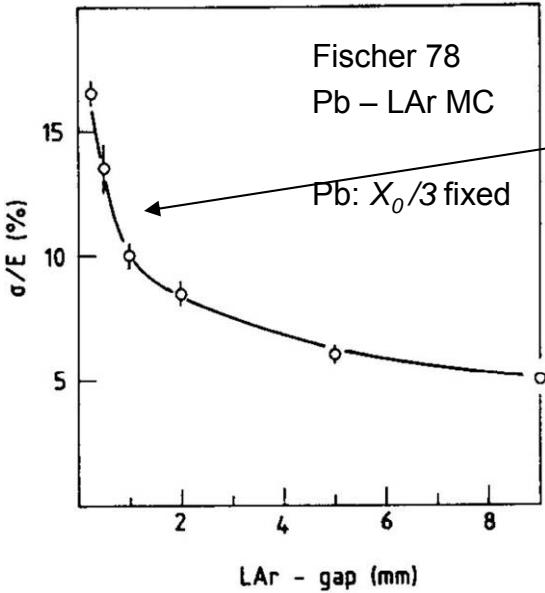


$$\left( \frac{\sigma_E}{E} \right)_{samp} = 3.2 \% \sqrt{\frac{d_p E_k / \text{MeV}}{F(\xi) \langle \cos \theta \rangle E / \text{GeV}}} = a' \sqrt{\frac{d_p}{E / \text{GeV}}}$$

[Amaldi 81]

pass. Med.	$t$	$x_a$ [ $\frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^2}$ ]	$E$ [GeV]	$a'_{exp}$ [%]	$E_{cut}$ [MeV]	$\xi$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{F(\xi)}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\langle \cos \theta \rangle}}$	$a'_{theo}$ [%]	$N_{vis} \cdot t$ [ $\frac{1}{\text{GeV}}$ ]
Al	1.0	3.0	10-50	20	3.0	0.168	1.16	1.00	23.0	19
Fe	0.3-1.5	0.65	0.2-2.5	16.9	0.65	0.068	1.09	1.03	16.1	39
Pb	0.3-1.5	1.3	0.2-2.5	12.6	1.3	0.328	1.21	1.29	13.2	57

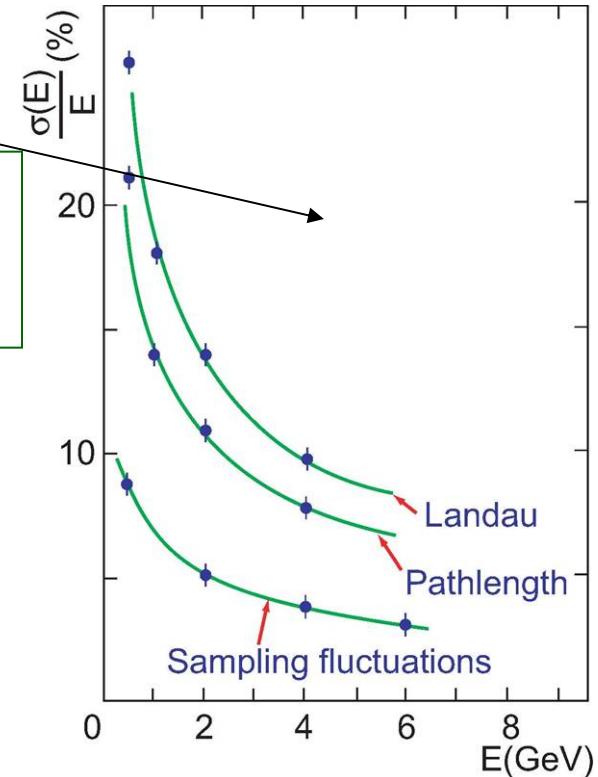
# Active Layer Thickness



$x_a$  in  $\frac{g}{cm^2}$  matters

not critical  
for LAr

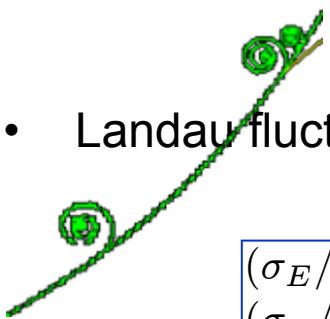
unavoidable  
for gaseous det.  
 $\rho_{\text{gas}} \approx \rho_{\text{solid}} / 1000$



- pathlength fluctuations:



- Landau fluctuations:  $\left(\frac{\sigma_E}{E}\right)_{\text{L.}} \simeq \frac{1}{\sqrt{N'_{\text{vis}}}} \frac{3}{\ln(1.3 \cdot 10^4 \cdot \Delta E/\text{MeV})}$  ( $\Delta E = \langle \frac{dE}{dx} x_a \rangle$ )



$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_E/E)_{\text{L.}} &\approx 20\% (\sigma_E/E)_{\text{samp}} & \text{for } \Delta E = 1 \text{ MeV (solid, liquid)} \\ (\sigma_E/E)_{\text{L.}} &\approx 87\% (\sigma_E/E)_{\text{samp}} & \text{for } \Delta E \simeq 10^{-3} \text{ MeV (gaseous)} \end{aligned}$$

# Summary Stochastic Term in EM Resolution

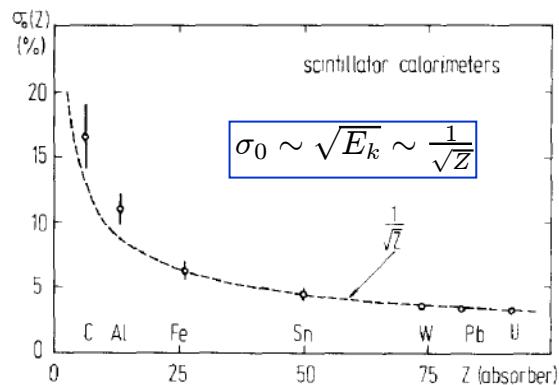
Basic ('approx. B') formula

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_E}{E}\right)_{\text{samp}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{vis}}} = \sqrt{\frac{t E_k}{E_0}}$$

An effective formula accounts for both active and passive layer:

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{E}} \frac{t^\alpha}{s^\beta}$$

$$x_p = t \cdot X_0^p \quad x_a = s \cdot X_0^a$$



has to be corrected by:

- quantum fluctuations
- energy thresholds of particle signals
- multiple scattering
- pathlength fluctuations
- Landau fluctuations

[Del Peso&Ros]

passiv	aktiv	$\sigma_0$ [%]	$\alpha$	$\beta$
C	Szin.	$16.48 \pm 2.50$	$0.72 \pm 0.03$	$0.16 \pm 0.02$
Al	Szin.	$11.02 \pm 1.21$	$0.70 \pm 0.03$	$0.15 \pm 0.02$
Fe	Szin.	$6.33 \pm 0.52$	$0.62 \pm 0.03$	$0.21 \pm 0.02$
Sn	Szin.	$4.53 \pm 0.32$	$0.65 \pm 0.03$	$0.25 \pm 0.03$
W	Szin.	$3.61 \pm 0.17$	$0.70 \pm 0.03$	$0.29 \pm 0.03$
Pb	Szin.	$3.46 \pm 0.19$	$0.67 \pm 0.03$	$0.29 \pm 0.03$
U	Szin.	$3.28 \pm 0.15$	$0.67 \pm 0.03$	$0.30 \pm 0.03$
Pb	Si	$5.04 \pm 0.20$	$0.66 \pm 0.03$	$0.24 \pm 0.03$
Pb	LAr	$6.49 \pm 0.31$	$0.62 \pm 0.03$	$0.19 \pm 0.03$

# Noise and Constant Term in Resolution

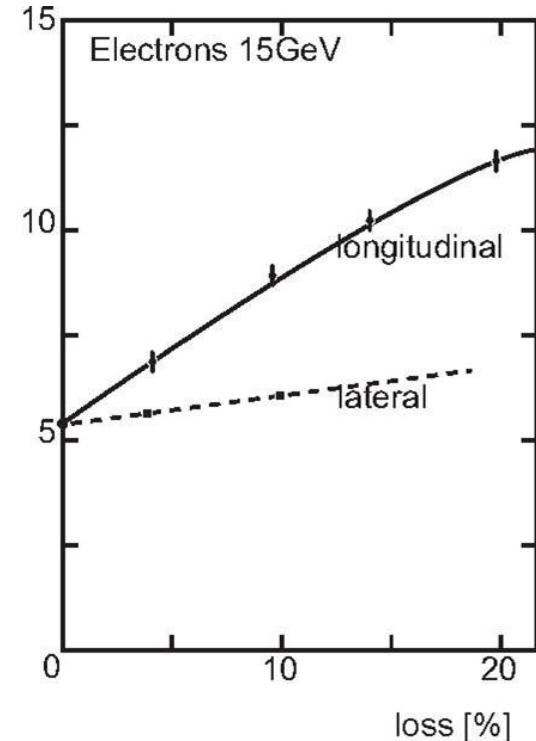
**Noise  $\sim 1/E$ :** dominates at low energy;

- electronic :  $O(10 \text{ keV})$  for PMT readout of crystals  
to  $O(100 \text{ MeV})$  for ionisation chamber readout  
(keep capacitances small for charge collection detectors).
- pile-up noise in high intensity experiments (LHC, ..)

**Term  $\sim \text{const}$ :** dominates at high energy

- leakage,
- mechanical and electronic tolerances,
- intercalibration errors, ..

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_E}{E}\right) \approx \left(\frac{\sigma_E}{E}\right)_{f_{\text{leak}}=0} \cdot \left(1 + 2 \cdot \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})} \cdot f_{\text{leak}}\right)$$



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