Detectors for Particle Physics Part III

- Interaction of electrons, photons and hadrons with matter
- Scintillators
- Photodetectors
- Cherenov Counters
- Transition radiation
- Calorimeters
  - Shower development
  - electromagnetic
  - hadronic

Energy Loss of Electrons

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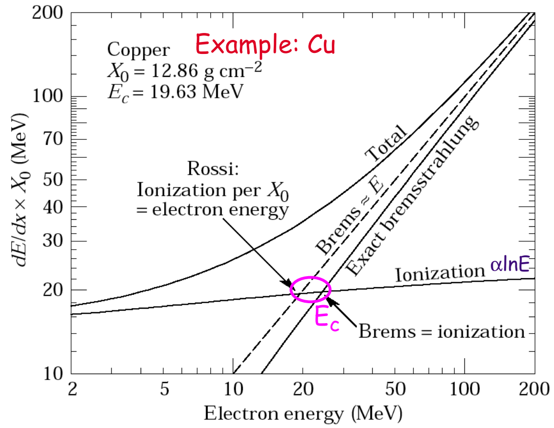
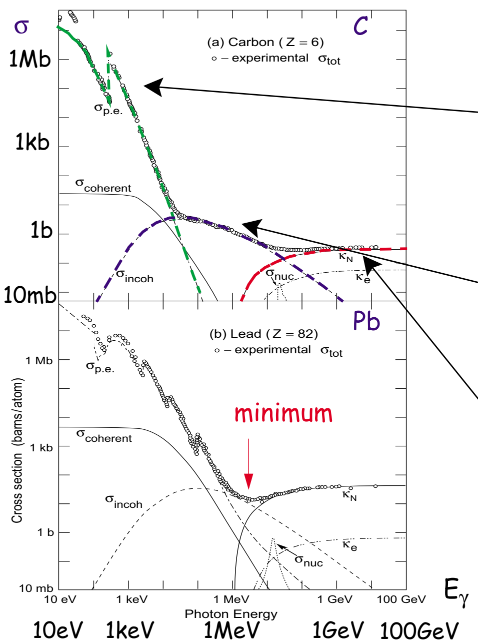


Interaction of Photons with Matter



Three effects are important:

- Photoeffect: γ + atom → e^- + atom$^+$

$$\sigma_{Ph} \propto \frac{Z^5}{E^{3.5}}$$

- Comptoneffect: γ + atom → γ + e^- + atom$^+$

$$\sigma_{Compton} \propto \frac{\ln E}{E} \cdot Z$$

- Pairproduction: γ + nucl. → e^+ + e^- + nucl.

$$\sigma_{Pair} \propto Z^2 \quad \text{für} \quad E_\gamma \gg 2m_e c^2$$

Intensity Attenuation

- Intensity attenuation: $I(x) = I_0 \cdot \exp(-\mu x)$,

  with mass absorption coefficient $\mu = \frac{N_A \cdot \sigma}{A}$ [cm^{-1}]

  strongly energy dependent

- connection between radiation length and high energy limit for pair production:

$$\sigma|_{E \gg 1\ \text{GeV}} = \frac{7}{9} 4\alpha r_e^2 Z^2 \ln\frac{183}{Z^{1/3}} \approx \frac{7}{9} \cdot \frac{A}{N_A} \cdot \frac{1}{X_0}$$

$\Rightarrow$ $I(x) = I_0 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{7}{9}\frac{x}{X_0}\right)$ probability for pair production after traversing one X_0 is ≈54%.

Photon Absorption Length λ

Definition of mass absorption coefficient: $\lambda = \frac{1}{(\mu/\rho)}$ [g cm^{-2}] with $\mu = \frac{N_A \cdot \sigma}{A}$

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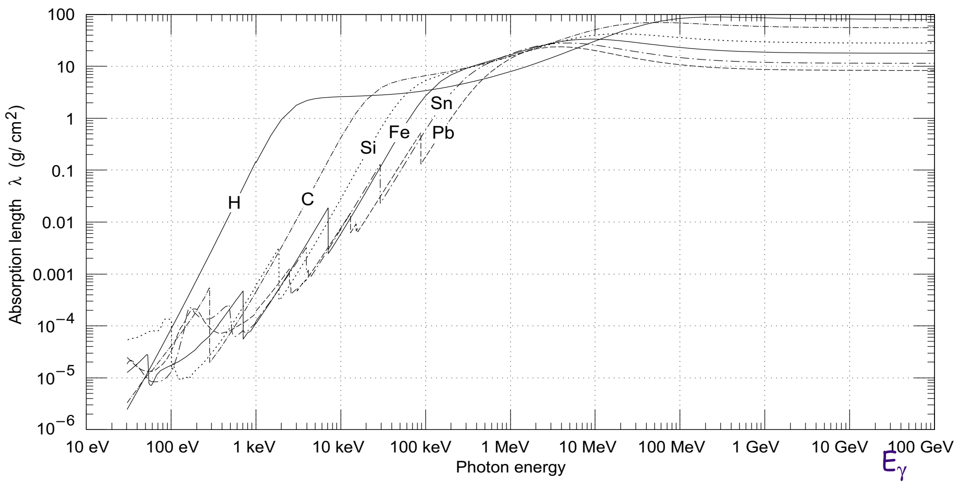
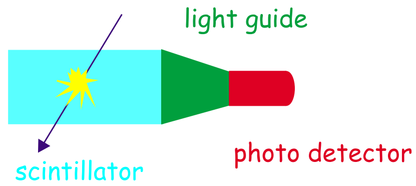


Scintillation Detectors

Phenomenon of scintillation known since long. Extensive use only after invention of photomultiplier in 1944. Since then significant development of this technology.

Advantage for detection of particles and photons:

- simplicity and robustness
- signal speed
- high density → large signals
  ⇒ good time and energy measurement



Now also scintillating fibres available ⇒

- position resolution as well

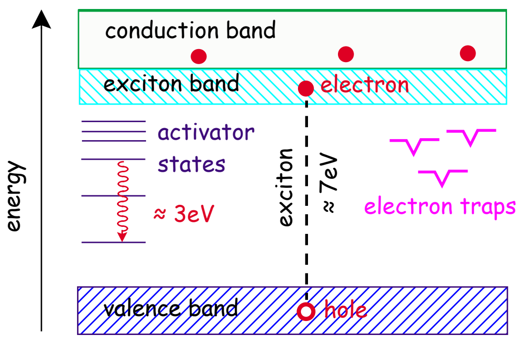
There are different mechanisms in:

- anorganic crystals
- organic substances

Inorganic Crystals

Example: Sodium-Iodide

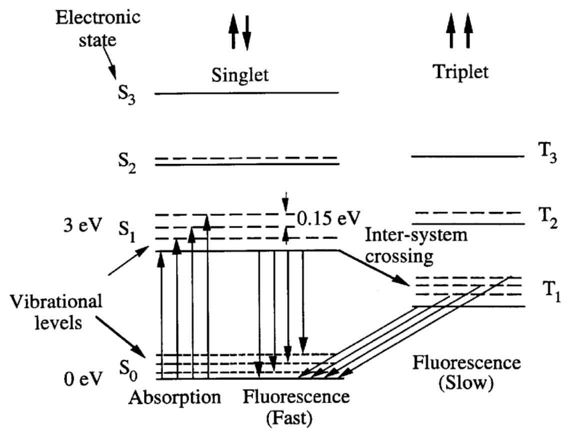
- NaI insolator with bandgap of 7eV
- replace ≈ 0.1% of sodium atoms with so-called activators: thallium atoms ⇒
  - shift of light energy into visible regime: (better for detection via photo cathode)
  - enhanced light yield
  - reduced reabsorption
- exciton creation by charged particles
- excitons move in crystal until they reach activator
- energy release by photon emission (3eV ⇒ λ ≈ 400nm)
- for this wavelength the material is transparent
- decay time $\tau \approx 230$ ns



Organic Scintillators

Mechanism

- Excited vibrational modes of molecules de-excite by emission of UV light.
- This UV light is then transformed into visible light by so called wave length shifters that are added to the material.



Mono crystals

- Napthalen ($C_{10}H_8$)
- Anthrazen ($C_{10}H_{10}$)
- p-Terphenyl ($C_{58}H_{14}$)

Liquid- and plastic- scintillators

- consist of organic substance (polystyrol) plus scint. molecules (≈1%)
- in addition: secondary fluor compounds as wave length shifters

Comparison Organic vs Inorganic Scintillators

	Typ	N_γ/keV	τ/ns	λ/nm	X_0/cm
Inorganic	NaI (Tl)	40	230	410	2.6
	BGO	3	350	480	1.1
	CeF	5	5,20	300, 340	1.7
Organic	Anthrazen	17	30	450	30
	NE110 (fest)	10	3.3	430	40
	NE216 (flüssig)	13	3.5	430	50

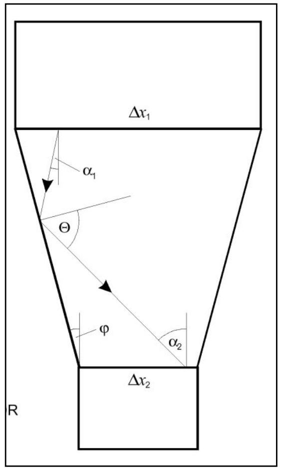
Inorganic crystals

- well suited for calorimetric applications (high light yield and small radiation length)

Plastic scintillators

- fast particle registration (trigger)

Light Collection



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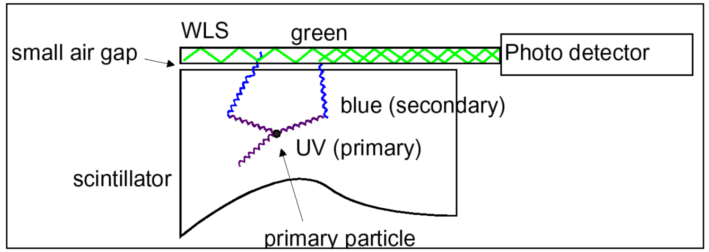
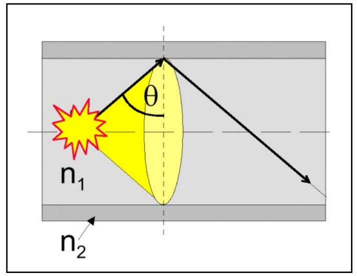


wave length shifter bars

total reflection
in optical fibres



Conversion of Scintillation Light

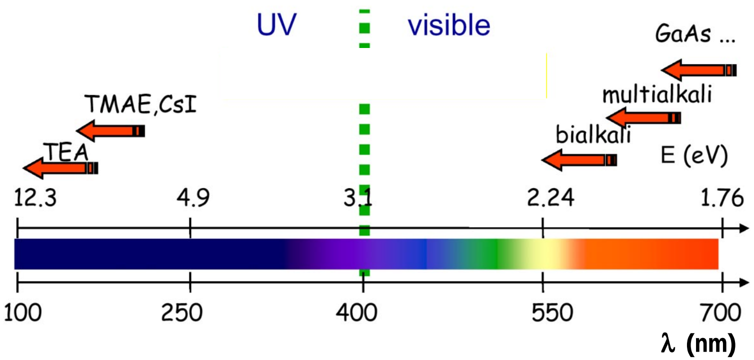
Scintillation light must be converted into electrical signal .

Requirement

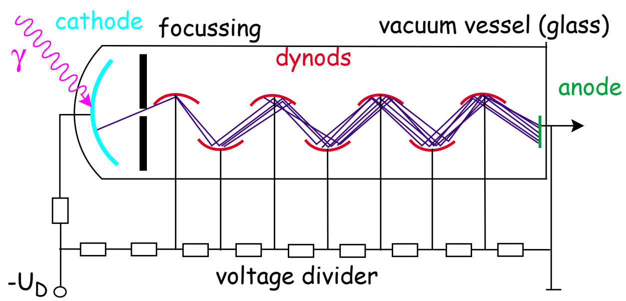
- high sensitivity, i.e. high "quantum efficiency": Q.E. = $N_{photoelectrons} / N_{photon}$

Commonly used photo detectors

- gas based systems
  - e.g. RICH detectors
- vacuum based systems
  - photomultiplier
- solid state detectors
  - photodiodes etc



Photomultiplier



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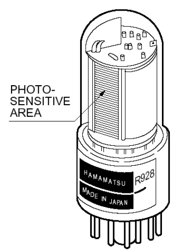
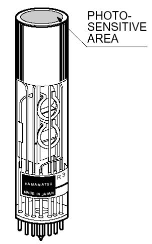


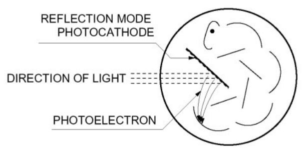
b) Head-On Type



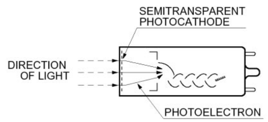
Example: 10 dynodes, each with gain factor $g = 4$

$$\Rightarrow \text{total gain } M = \prod_{i=1}^{N} g_i = 4^{10} \approx 10^6$$

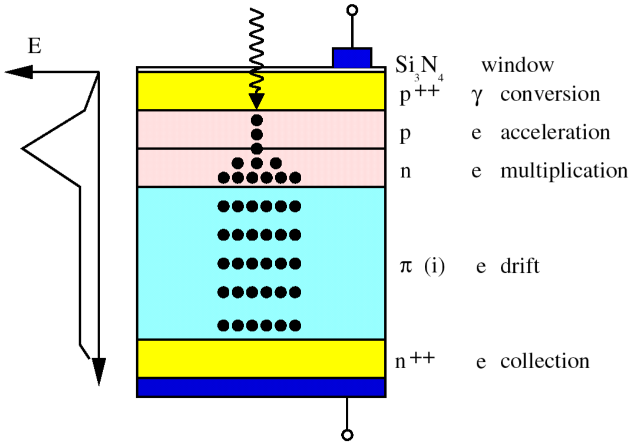
a) Reflection Mode



b) Transmission Mode



Avalanche Photo Diode APD

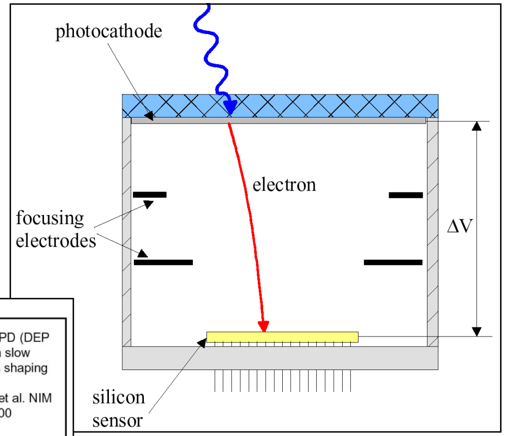


- large reverse bias voltage of 100-200 V
- high internal electric field leads to avalanche formation
- typical gain $G \approx 100 - 1000$

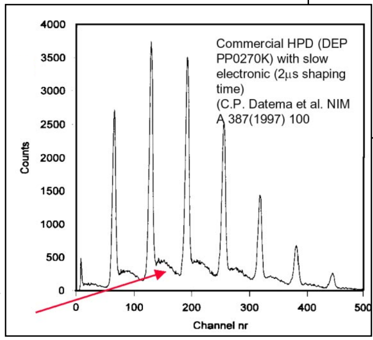
Hybrid Photo Diode HPD

Combination of:

- photocathode
  - like in PMT
- acceleration region in vacuum
  - ΔV = 10 - 20 kV
- silicon detector
  - Gain $G = \frac{e\Delta V}{W_{Si}} = \frac{20keV}{3.6eV} \approx 5\times10^3$
  - Poisson statistics with $\bar{n} = 5000$



⇒ extremly good pulse height resolution. Single photon counting.

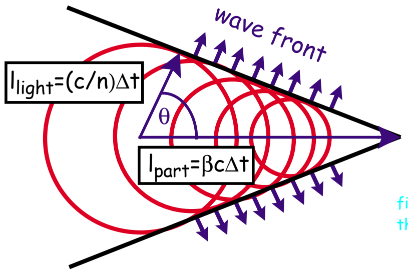


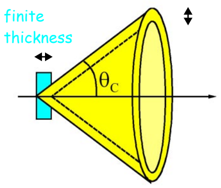
Backscattering from silicon surface

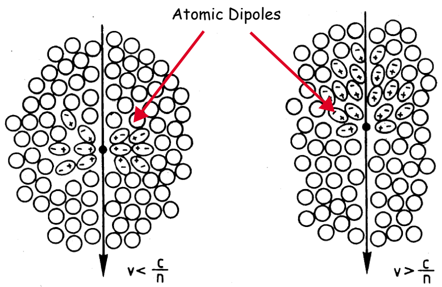
Cherenkov Radiation

- If particle velocity is larger than speed of light in medium:
  - asymmetric polarisation of medium
  - emission of Cherenkov light
- Opening angle of emission cone:

$$\cos(\theta_c) = \frac{(c/n)\cdot\Delta t}{\beta c\cdot\Delta t} = \frac{1}{\beta\cdot n}$$

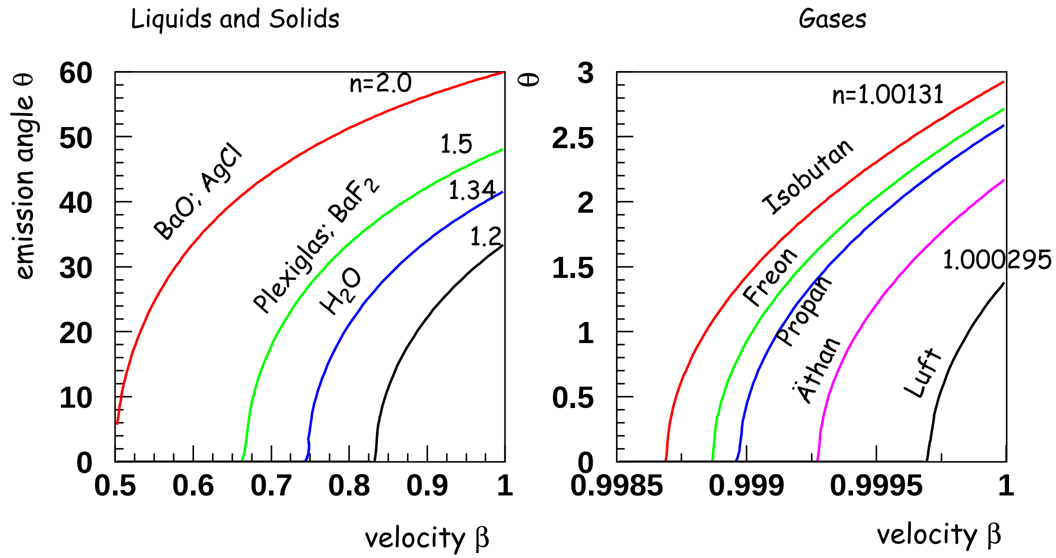




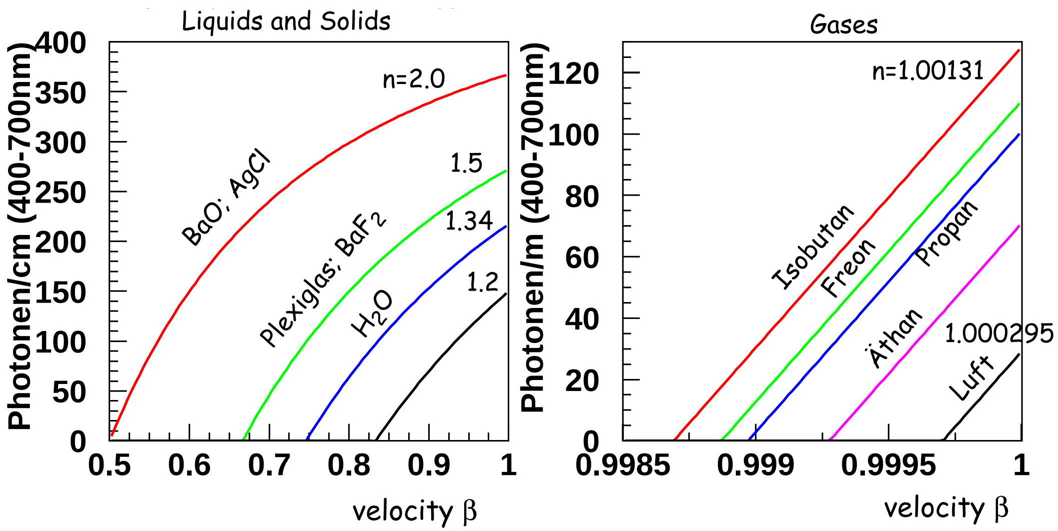


- threshold at $\beta_{thr} = \frac{1}{n}$ (i.e. $\theta_C \cong 0$)
- maximum opening angle: $\theta_{max} = arc\cos\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$ (für $\beta \approx 1$)
- photon yield small (λ~400-700nm): $dN/dx = 500\sin^2\theta_C$ $[cm^{-1}]$

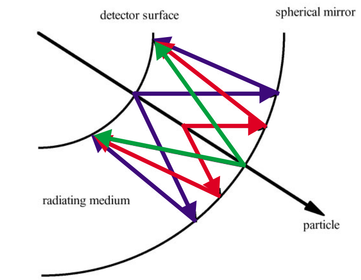
Cerenkov Angle vs β



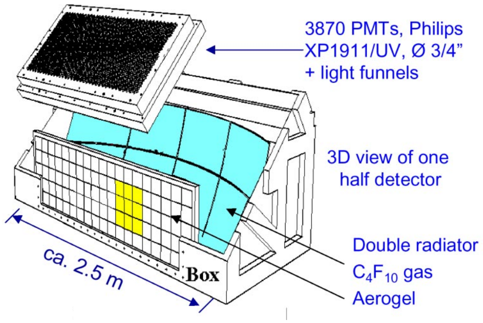
Photon Yield vs β

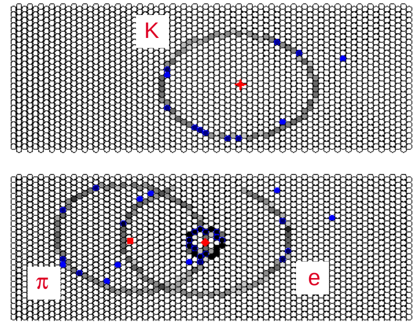


Example: Ring Imaging Cherenkov Counter RICH

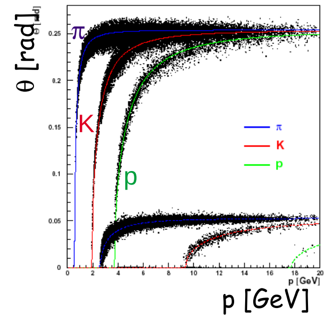


Hermes RICH detector



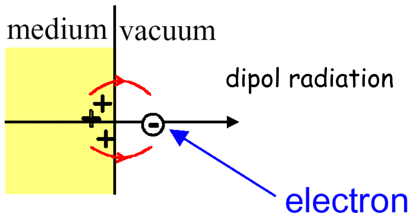


particle identification



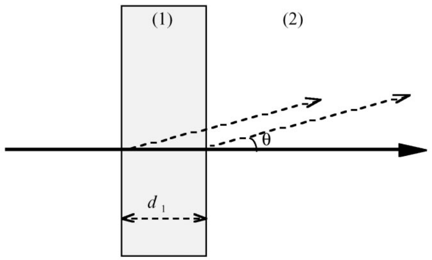
Transition Radiation

Even below the threshold for Cherenkov-radiation photons can be emitted when charged particles cross boundaries between media with different dielectric constants.

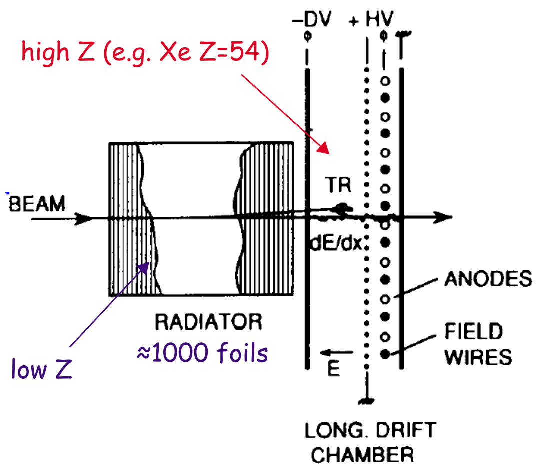


Radiated energy per boundary:

- $W = \frac{1}{3}\alpha\frac{h}{2\pi}\omega_p\gamma \propto \gamma$, i.e. only significant for highly relativistic particles ($e^{\pm}$)
- X-ray photons are emitted in a forward cone; $\theta \propto 1/\gamma$
- → transition radiation only occurs very close to the track

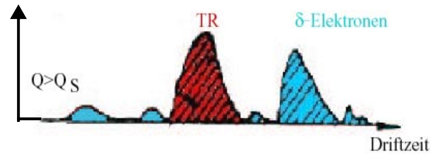


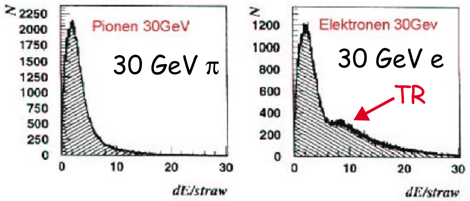
Transition Radiation Detectors



TR hits characterised by:

- large amplitude
- occur preferentially at start of the track





Application:

- distinguish high energetic electrons from pions
- discrimination possible for momenta from about 1 GeV/c to ~100 GeV/c

Why do we need Calorimeters ?

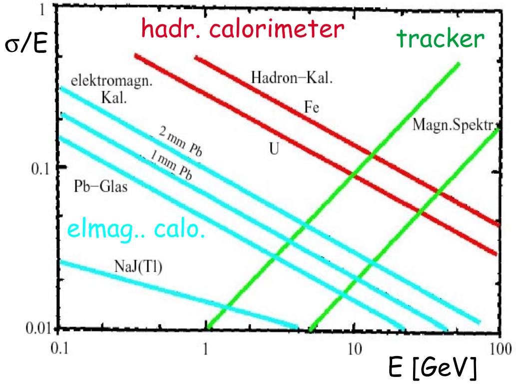
Recall: for tracking in magnetic field we have

- $\frac{\sigma(p_T)}{p_T} \propto \frac{p_T}{L^2}$
- momentum (energy) measurement degrades linearly with increasing energy
- size of detector $L \propto \sqrt{E}$
- only detection of charged particles

In contrast (as we will see) for calorimeters:

- $\frac{\sigma(E)}{E} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{E}}$
- detection of
  - photons
  - neutral hadrons

⇒ for high energy detectors calorimeters are essential components

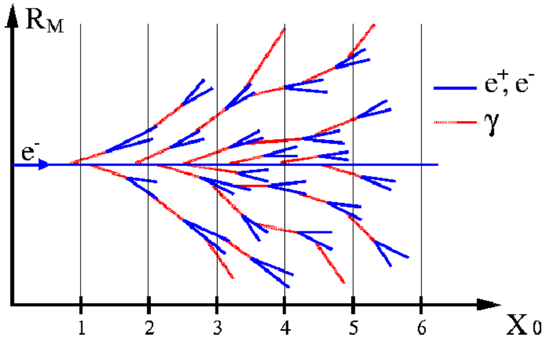


Electromagnetic Shower Development

Interaction of photons and electrons above 10 MeV dominated by

- pairproduction $\gamma \to e^+e^-$
- Bremsstrahlung $e^\pm \to e^\pm \gamma$

which are both characterised by X_0. Alternating sequence leads to shower which stops if energy of particles $< E_c$.



Simple model for shower development initiated by photon of energy $E_0 = E_\gamma$:

- within $\approx 1\, X_0$ γ produces e^+e^- pair
- assume symmetric energy sharing $E_e = E_\gamma/2$
- e^+e^- radiate photon after $\approx 1\, X_0$ $E_\gamma = E_e/2$
- ⇒ number of particles at depth $t = x/X_0$: $N(t) = 2^t$ with energy $E(t) = E_0 \cdot 2^{-t}$
- multiplication continues until energy falls below critical energy: $E_c = E_0 \cdot 2^{-t_{MAX}}$
- from then on shower particles are only absorbed. Position of shower maximum: $t_{MAX} = \frac{\ln E_0/E_c}{\ln 2} \propto \ln E_0$

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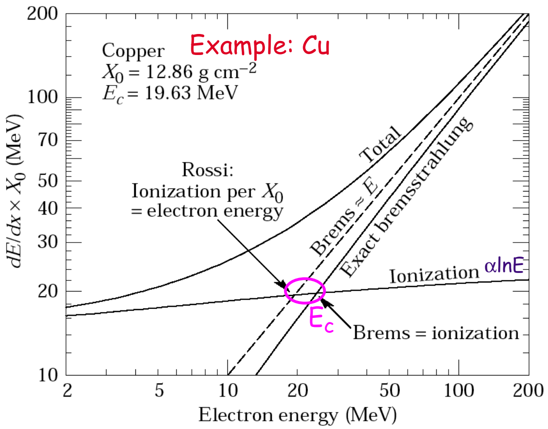
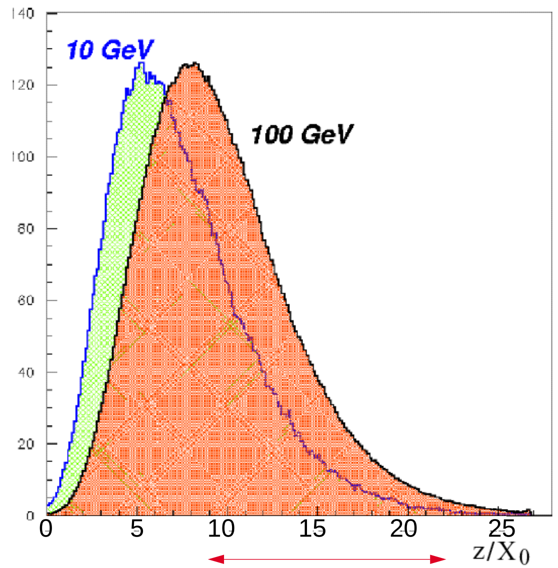
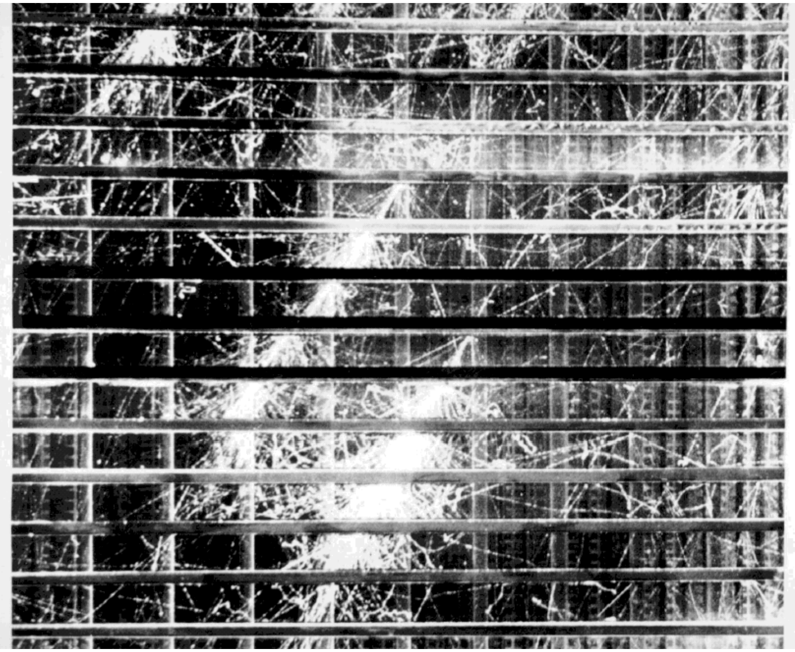


Shower Depth vs Energy



typical range of depth for EM calorimeter

Example: μ-induced Shower

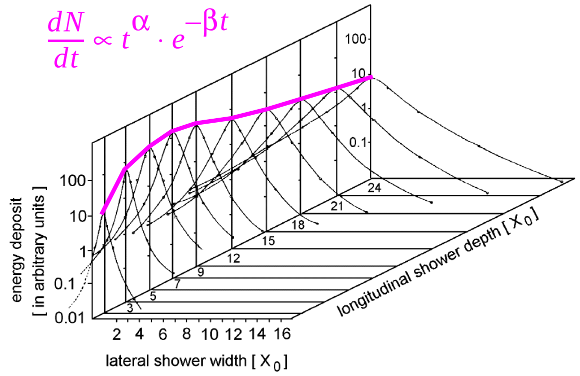


Shower Development

Multiple scattering of the $e^{\pm}$ causes a broadening of the shower also in the transverse direction:

- contribution from electrons with $E \cong E_c$ dominates
- $\Rightarrow$ the shower width can be characterized by the so-called Moliere-Radius $R_M = \frac{21\text{MeV}}{E_c} X_0$
- meaning: 90(95)% of shower energy is contained in cylinder with radius R_M ($2R_M$) around the shower axis

$$\frac{dN}{dt} \propto t^{\alpha} \cdot e^{-\beta t}$$



<u>Shower Containment:</u>

- transverse: $R_{95\%} = 2R_M$
  - Example lead glass: $R_M = 1.8X_0 \approx 3.6$ cm $\Rightarrow R_{95\%} \approx 7$ cm
- longitudinal: $L_{95\%} = t_{MAX} + 0.08 \cdot Z + 9.6\ [X_0]$ [with $t_{MAX} = \ln(E_0/E_c)/(\ln 2)$]
  - Example: 100 GeV e- in lead glass (E_c=11.8 MeV $\Rightarrow t_{MAX} \approx 13$, $L_{95\%} \approx 23$)

Stochastic Fluctuations

- Number of particles at shower maximum increases linearly with initial energy: $N_{MAX} = N(t_{MAX}) = E_0/E_c$
- Total number of particles in the shower $N_{tot} \propto N_{MAX} = E_0/E_c$
- If response of calorimeter is proportional to number of shower particles it acts as a linear device for energy measurements
- Even for a perfect detector there are intrinsic statistical limitations for the energy resolution:
  - total track length $T \propto N_{tot} \cdot X_0 \propto \frac{E_0}{E_c} \cdot X_0$
  - detectable track length $T_{det} = F(\xi) \cdot T$ with $\xi = E_{cut}/E_c$ [above energy threshold E_{cut}]
  - $\Rightarrow$ for relative energy resolution $\frac{\sigma(E)}{E} = \frac{\sigma(T_{det})}{T_{det}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T_{det}}} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{E}}$

Energy Resolution

In general the energy resolution of a calorimeter can be parametrised as:

$$\frac{\sigma(E)}{E} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus b \oplus \frac{c}{E}$$

Stochastic Term

- stochastic fluctuations in shower development
- sampling fluctuations in case of sampling calori-meter
- photo-electron statistics

Constant Term

- inhomogeneities dead material
- non-linearities
- leakage
- inter-calibration between individual cells

Noise Term

- electronic noise
- radioactivity
- pile-up

Calorimeter Types

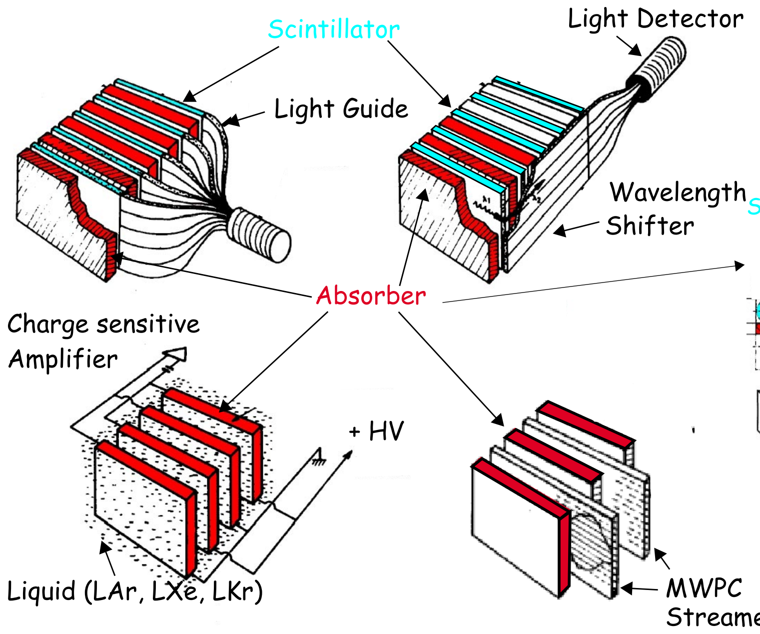
Homogeneous calorimeters:

- detector = absorber
- good energy resolution
- limited spatial resolution (particularly in longitudinal direction)
- only used for electromagnetic calorimetry

Sampling calorimeters:

- detectors and absorber are separated
  ⇒ only fraction of the energy is sampled
- heavy absorber material: compact design
- energy resolution limited by sampling fluctuations
- good spatial resolution due to segmentation
- can be used for electromagnetic and hadronic calorimetry

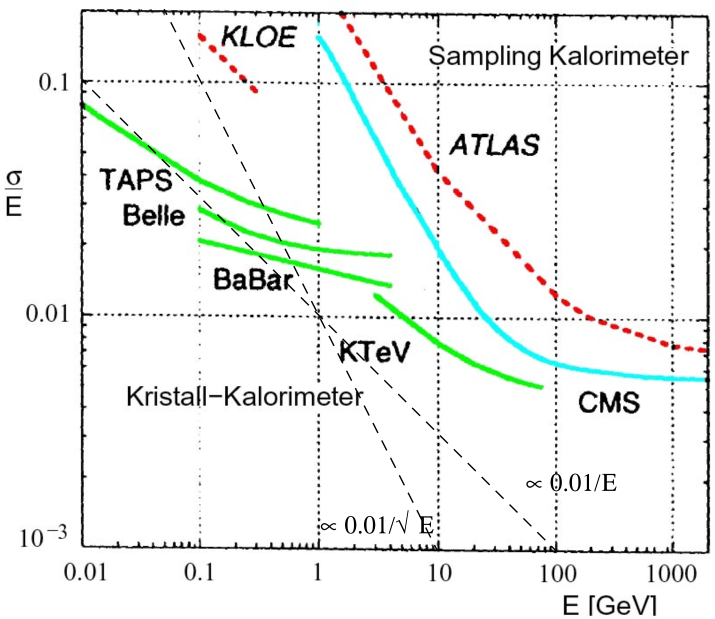
Examples for Sampling Calorimeters



For sampling thickness d there are additional sampling fluctuations:

$$\frac{\sigma(E)}{E} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{E}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{d}{X_0}}$$

Comparison of various Calorimeters (Electromagnetic)



Hadron Calorimeters

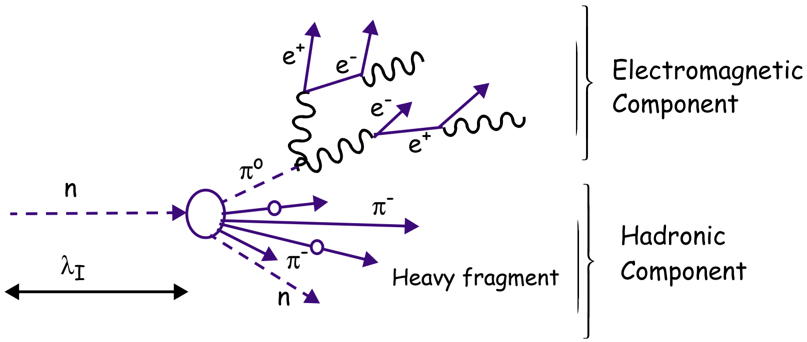
High energy hadrons also develop showers in an absorber

Shower development much more complicated than in EM case

Components in shower

- hadronic
- electromagnetic
  - mainly due to π^o
- invisible
  - nuclear excitation
  - neutrons
  - neutrinos

Typical length scale given by nuclear interaction length λ_i



⇒ hadronic showers are much longer and much wider than electromagnetic showers

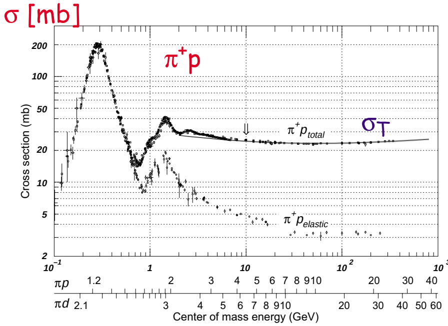
Hadronic Interactions

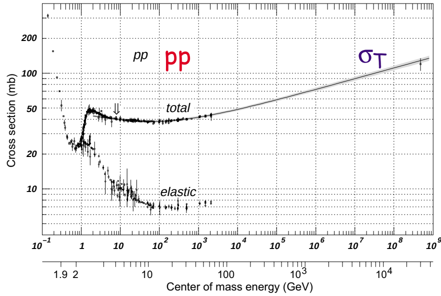
For high energies the hadronic cross section is
- ≈ constant as function of energy
- ≈ independent of hadron type

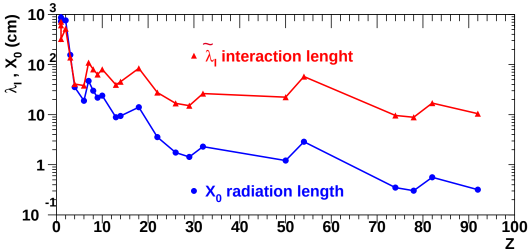
Material dependence of total cross section is given by: $\sigma_A = \sigma_p \cdot A^{2/3}$

$\Rightarrow$ Characterize hadronic interactions by hadronic interaction length $\tilde{\lambda}_I = \frac{A}{N_A \rho \cdot \sigma_A}$ [cm]

[in table: $\lambda_I = \tilde{\lambda}_I \cdot \rho \propto A^{1/3}$ [g/cm^2]]







Compensation

Problem
- the fraction of the different components fluctuate significantly
- the signal response of electromagnetic and hadronic component are in general different i.e. e/mip ≠ h/mip
- for good performance one needs to compensate this effect. Two possibilities:
- hardware compensation
  - careful choice of absorber & active material and their thickness
  - example: ZEUS calorimeter: Uranium (depleted) / scintillator [3.3/2.6 mm]
- software compensation
  - if sufficient granularity one can distinguish between electromagnetic and hadronic component and correct by software weighting
  - example: H1 calorimeter: liquid argon (LAr) with steel plates

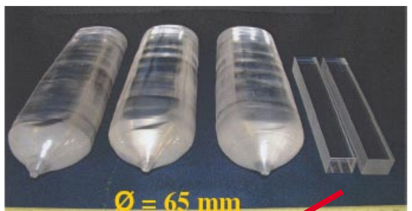
- due to the large fluctuations hadronic calorimeters in general have worse resolution compared to electromagnetic calorimeters → typical values: $\frac{\sigma(E)}{E} \propto \frac{35-50\ \%}{\sqrt{E}}$

Calorimeter Examples

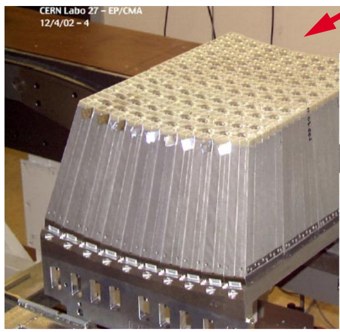
Experiment	Kind	Absorber	Active material	Resolution	Type
ZEUS	em	Uranium	Scintillator	18% / √E	sampling
ZEUS	had	Uranium	Scintillator	35% / √E	sampling
H1	em	Pb	LAr	12% / √E	sampling
H1	had	Steel	LAr	50% / √E	sampling
H1 SpaCal	em	Pb	Scintill. Fibre	7.5% / √E	sampling
NA48	em	LKr	LKr	3.5% / √E	homogeneous
BaBar	em	CsI	CsI	2.3% / $E^{1/4}$	homogeneous
ATLAS	em	Pb (Cu)	LAr	10% / √E	sampling
ATLAS	had	Iron (Cu)	Scintillator	47% / √E	sampling
CMS	em	$PbWO_4$	$PbWO_4$	4% / √E	homogeneous
CMS	had	Brass	Scintillator	115% / √E	sampling

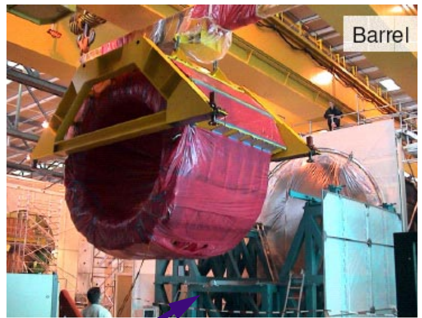
LHC Calorimeters under Construction

CMS ECAL

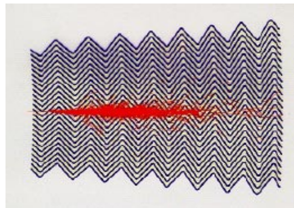


~75000 Crystals





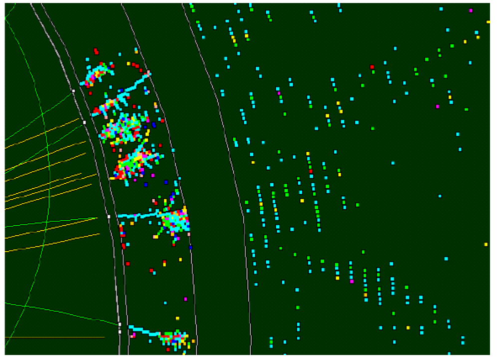
ATLAS ECAL



~120000 channels

Calorimeter R&D for ILC @ DESY

- At Linear Collider expect final states with heavy bosons: W, Z, H
- Haveto reconstruct their hadronic decay modes $\rightarrow$ multi jet events
- Challenge: need jet resolution of 30%/√E
- Expect ~60% of total energy in charged particles (tracker) , 20% in photons (ECAL), 10% in neutral hadrons (HCAL) and 10% in neutrinos
  $\Rightarrow$ new concept of particle flow:
  - reconstruction of individual particles
  - separation of particles (charged and neutral)



- Detector requirements:
  - excellent tracking, in particular in dense jets
  - excellent granularity in the ECAL
  - "no" material in front of ECAL
  - good granularity in the HCAL
  - excellent linking between tracker – ECAL – HCAL
  - excellent hermeticity