

# Announcements

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## Quiz:

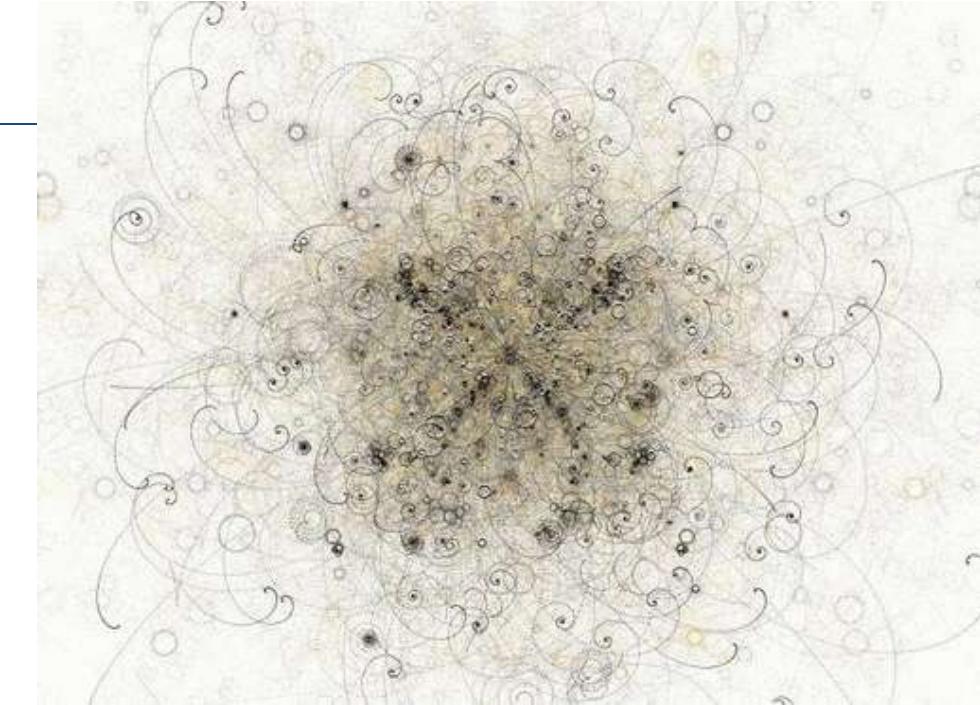
- Assorted quizzes from earlier weeks. Pick up after class.
- Next quiz Friday

## Homework:

Fourth HW posted. Due date **March 24 at 3pm** on gradescope

## Paper:

- Outlines returned on gradescope – please take a look; reach out if you have questions
- Draft deadlines:
  - **Optional**, 3/28 in class: bring a paper copy to me by this date if you want feedback
  - For credit, 4/11 at 3pm, on gradescope



## Midterm:

- Pick up graded midterms after class
- Will be curved to add 10 points to the score at the top of the page
- Note: your grade is the sum of your best four questions on the exam, the fifth question is not extra credit. in P803 it is the sum of question 5 and your best other three questions

# Calorimetry

## Calorimeter:

- Detector for energy measurement via total absorption of particles
- Also: most calorimeters are position sensitive to measure energy depositions depending on their location

## Principle of operation:

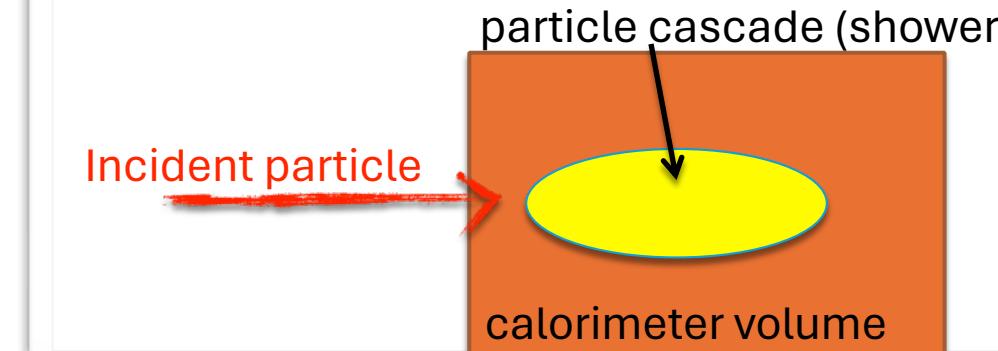
- Incoming particle initiates particle shower
- Shower composition and shower dimensions depend on particle type and detector material
- Energy deposited in form of: heat, ionization, excitation of atoms, Cherenkov light
- Different calorimeter types use different kinds of these signals to measure total energy

## Important:

Signal  $\sim$  total deposited energy

[Proportionality factor determined by calibration]

Schematic of calorimeter principle



# Electromagnetic Showers

## Reminder:

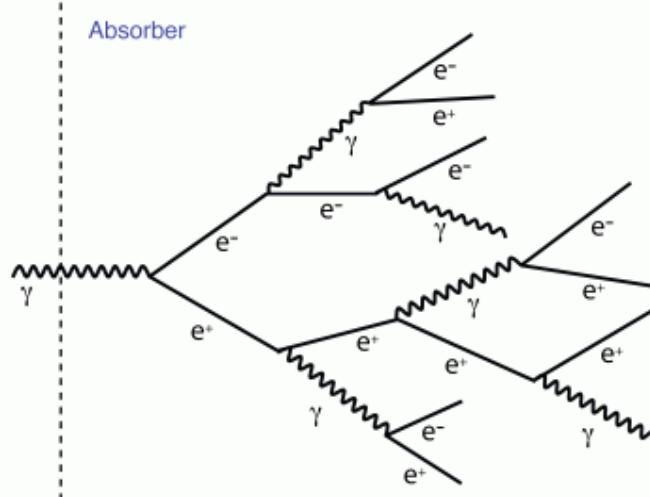
- Radiation length,  $X_0$
- Dominant processes at high energies
  - Photons : Pair production
  - Electrons : Bremsstrahlung
- Both processes always follow a 1 $\rightarrow$ 2 particle production process

## Pair production:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\text{pair}} &\approx \frac{7}{9} \left( 4 \alpha r_e^2 Z^2 \ln \frac{183}{Z^{\frac{1}{3}}} \right) \\ &= \frac{7}{9} \frac{A}{N_A X_0} \quad [\text{X}_0: \text{radiation length}] \quad [\text{in cm or g/cm}^2]\end{aligned}$$

Absorption coefficient:

$$\mu = n\sigma = \rho \frac{N_A}{A} \cdot \sigma_{\text{pair}} = \frac{7}{9} \frac{\rho}{X_0}$$



## Bremsstrahlung:

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = 4\alpha N_A \frac{Z^2}{A} r_e^2 \cdot E \ln \frac{183}{Z^{\frac{1}{3}}} = \frac{E}{X_0}$$

$$\rightarrow E = E_0 e^{-x/X_0}$$

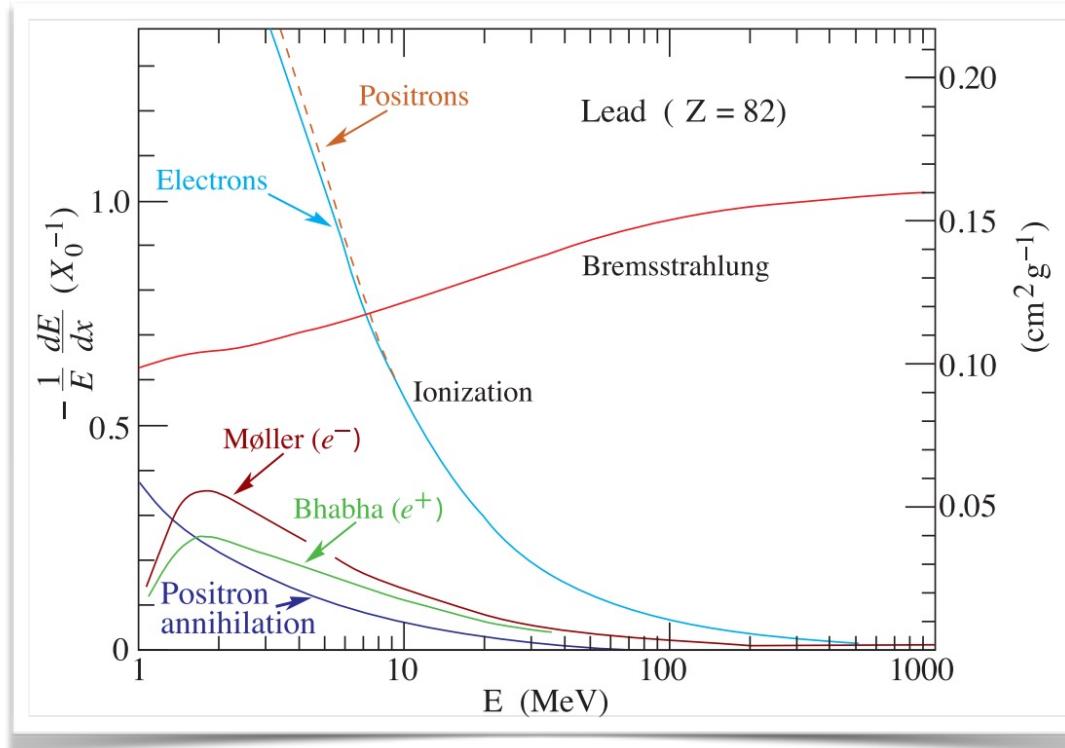
After passage of one  $X_0$  electron  
has only  $(1/e)^{th}$  of its primary energy ...  
[i.e. 37%]

# Analytic EM Shower Model

Critical Energy

$$\left. \frac{dE}{dx}(E_c) \right|_{\text{Brems}} = \left. \frac{dE}{dx}(E_c) \right|_{\text{Ion}}$$

Transition between importance of  
Bremsstrahlung vs. Ionization



Assume:

$E > E_c$  : no energy loss by ionization/excitation, only by bremsstrahlung & pair production.

$E < E_c$  : energy loss only via ionization/excitation

# Analytic EM Shower Model

## Simple Shower Model:

Only two dominant interactions: Pair production and Bremsstrahlung

- $\gamma + \text{Nucleus} \rightarrow \text{Nucleus} + e^+ + e^-$   
[Photons absorbed via pair production]
- $e + \text{Nucleus} \rightarrow \text{Nucleus} + e + \gamma$   
[Energy loss of electrons via Bremsstrahlung]

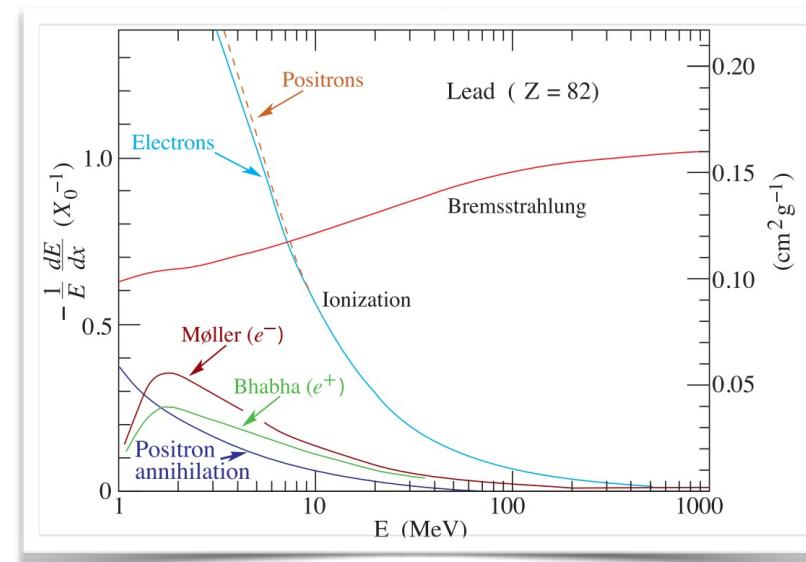
Shower development governed by  $X_0$

- After a distance  $X_0$  electrons remain with a fraction of their initial energy
- Photon produces  $e^+e^-$  pair after  $9/7 X_0 \sim X_0$

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## Simplification:

Bremsstrahlung:

$$E_\gamma = E_e \approx E_0/2$$

Pair Production:

$$E_{e^+} \approx E_{e^-} \approx E_0/2$$

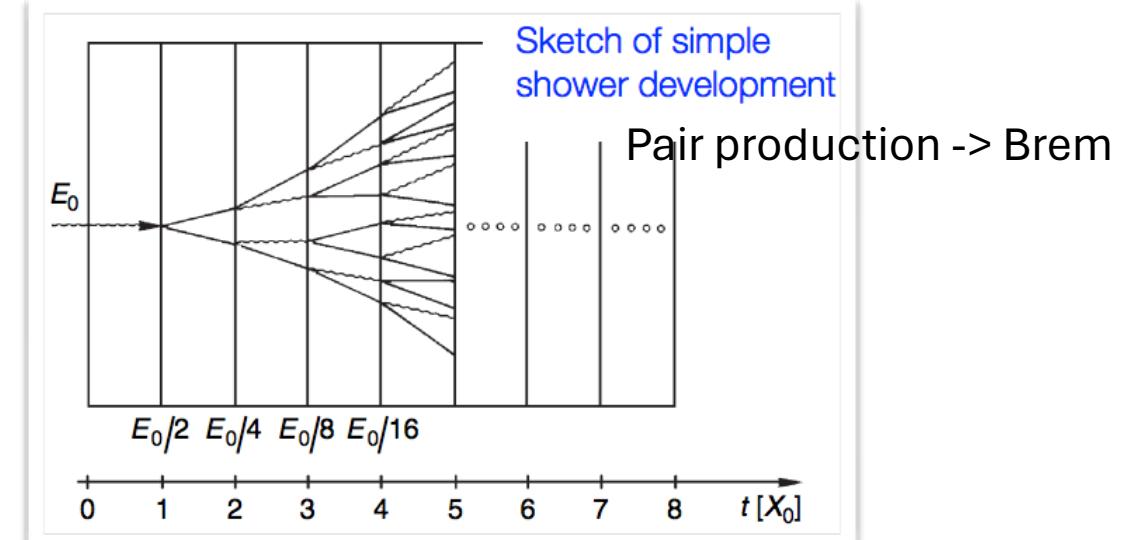
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- Transverse shower distribution

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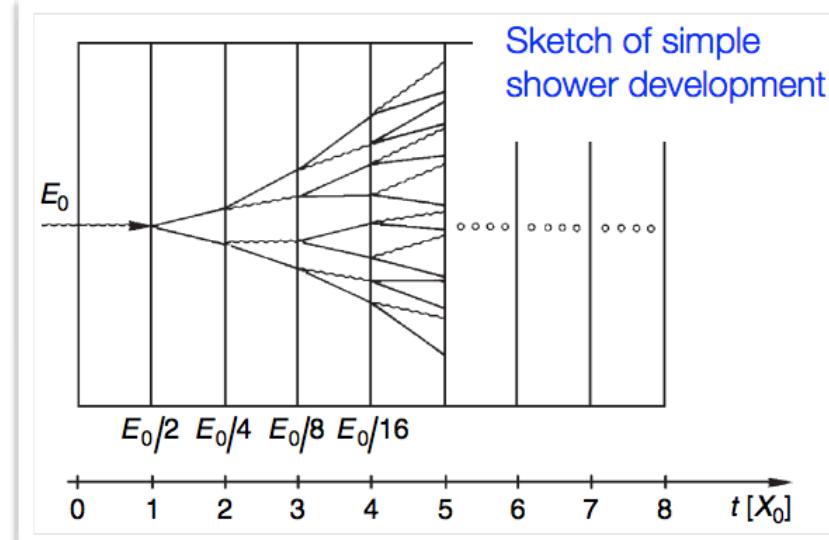
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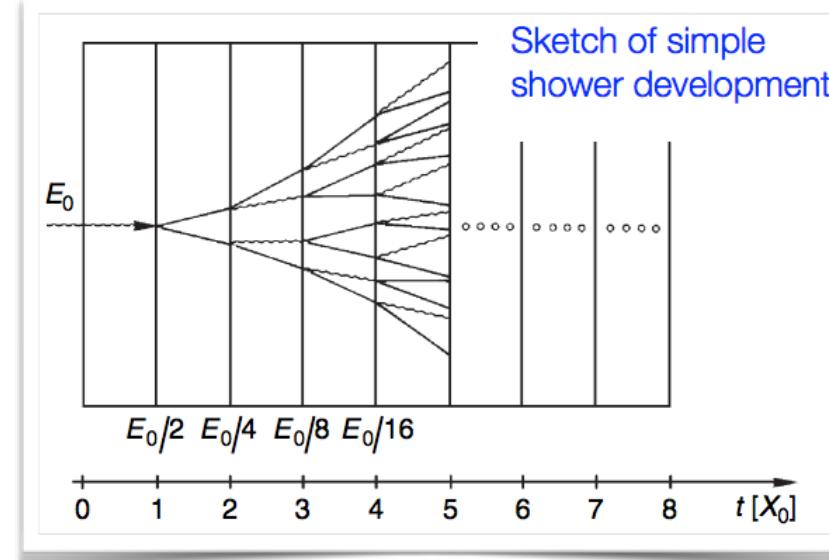
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Total number of shower particles with energy  $E_1$ :

$$N(E_0, E_1) = 2^{t_1} = 2^{\log_2(E_0/E_1)} = \frac{E_0}{E_1}$$

Number of shower particles at shower maximum:

$$N(E_0, E_c) = N_{\max} = 2^{t_{\max}} = \frac{E_0}{E_c}$$

Shower maximum at:

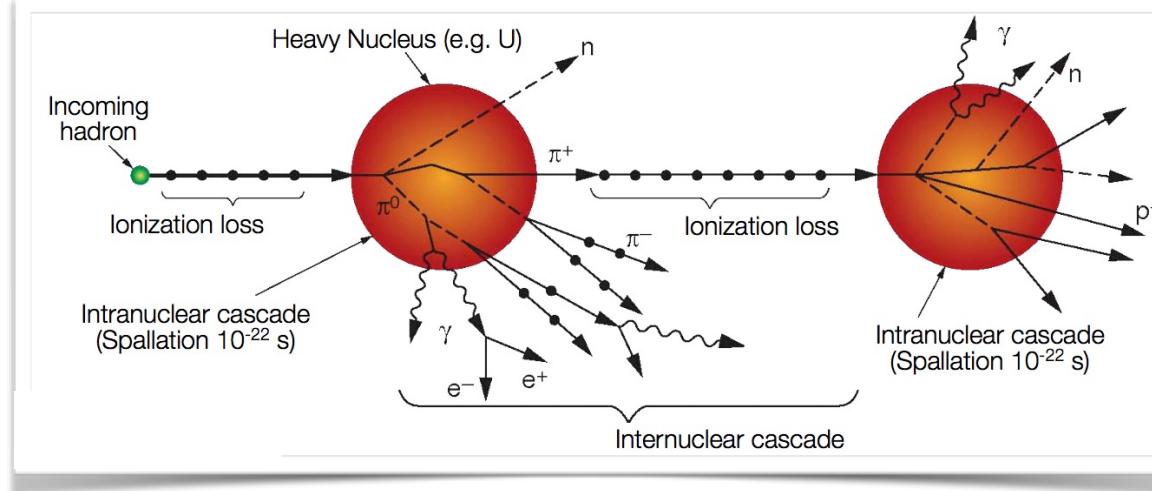
$$t_{\max} \propto \ln(E_0/E_c)$$

# Hadronic Showers

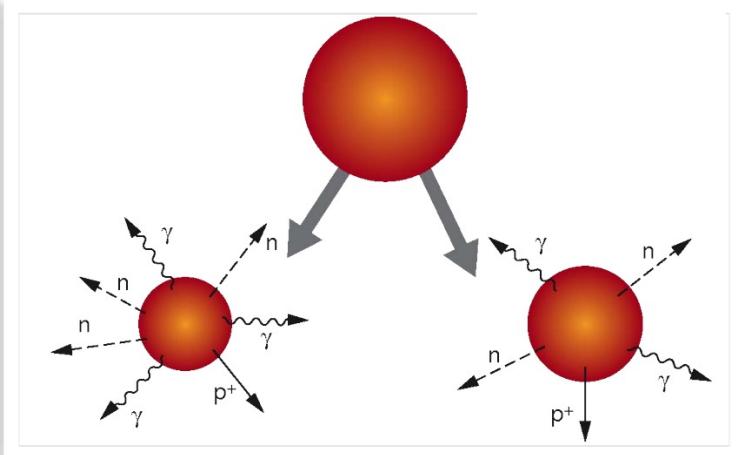
Hadronic showers begin with hadronic interactions

- collectively with nuclei
- individually with nucleons

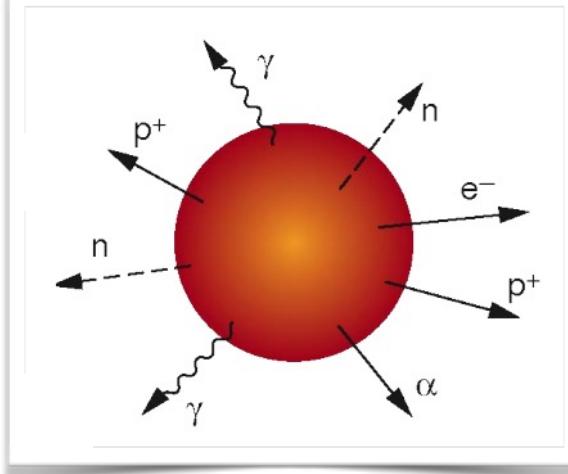
## Nuclear Excitation



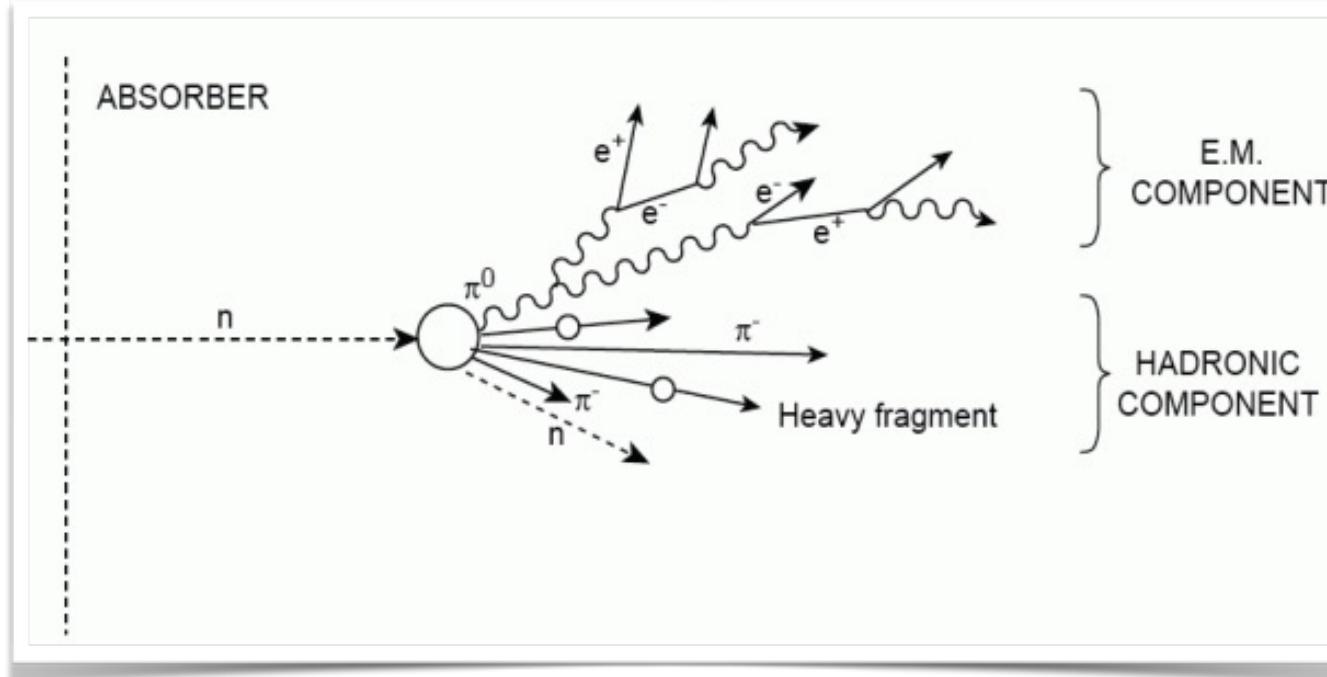
## Fission



## Nuclear Evaporation

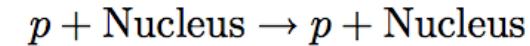


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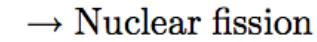
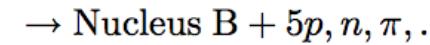
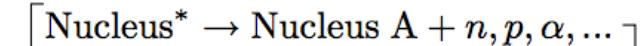
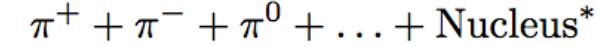
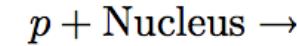


Hadronic interaction:

Elastic:

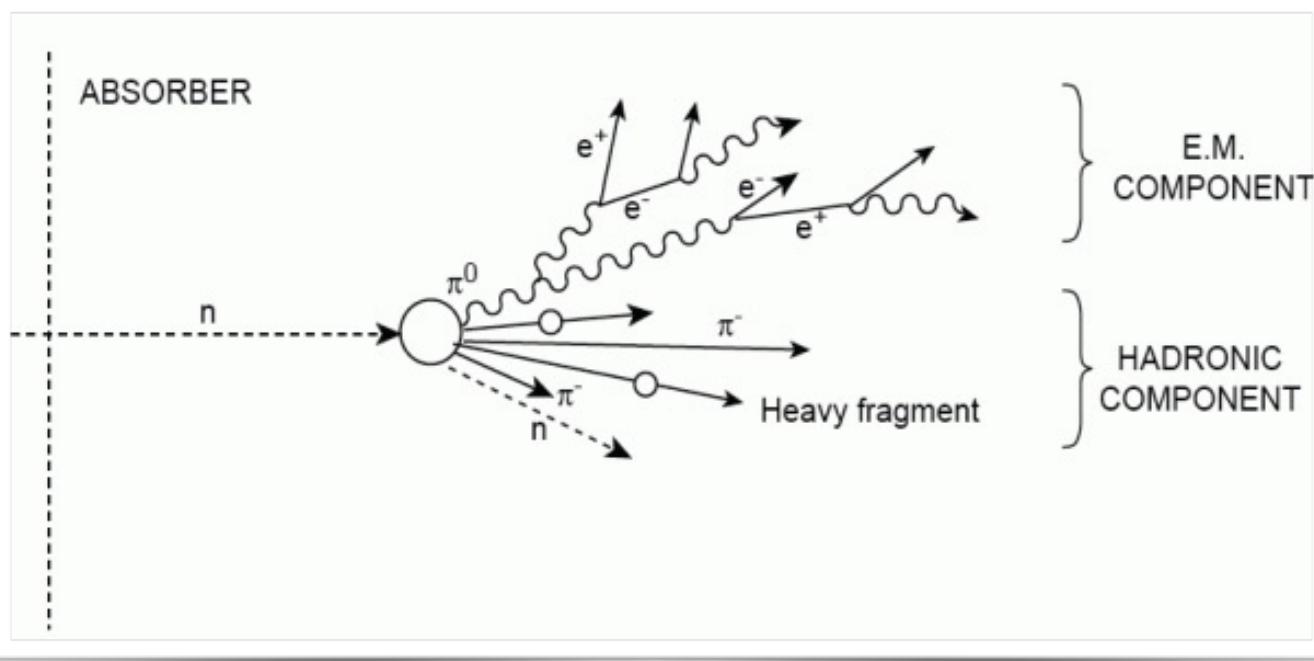


Inelastic:



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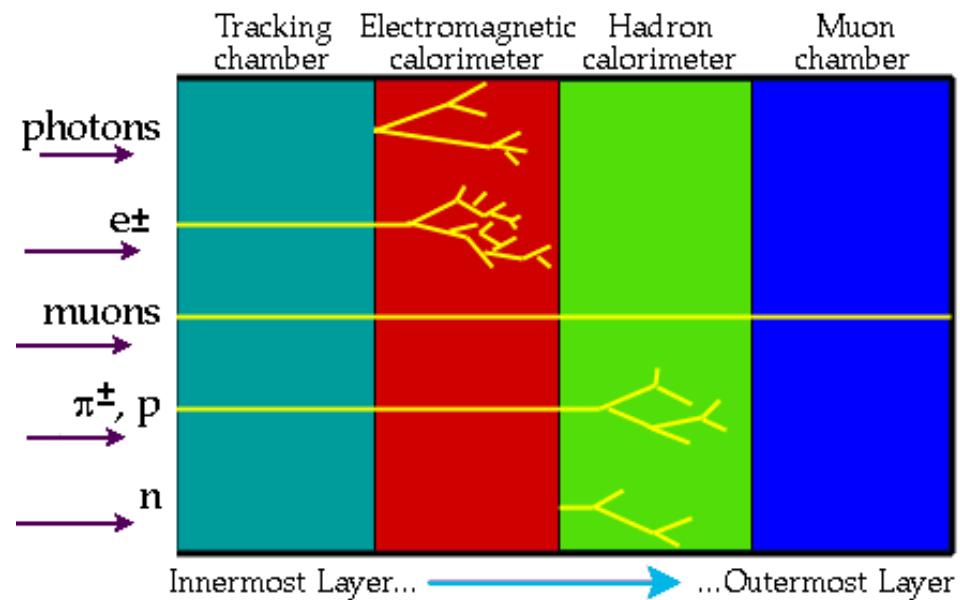
# Total Calorimetry



Cascade energy distribution:  
[Example: 5 GeV proton in lead-scintillator calorimeter]

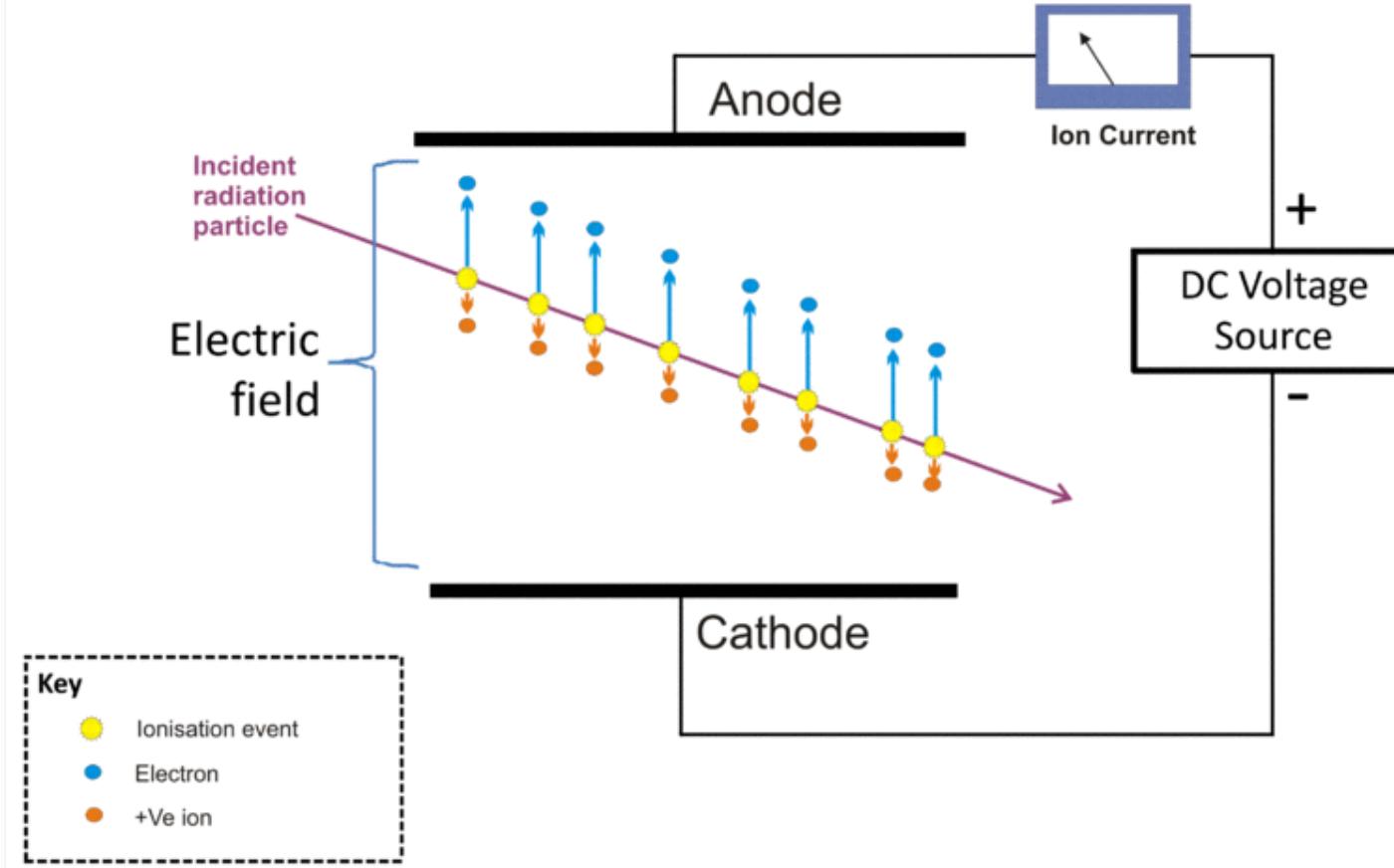
Ionization energy of charged particles ( $p, \pi, \mu$ )	1980 MeV [40%]
Electromagnetic shower ( $\pi^0, \eta^0, e$ )	760 MeV [15%]
Neutrons	520 MeV [10%]
Photons from nuclear de-excitation	310 MeV [ 6%]
Non-detectable energy (nuclear binding, neutrinos)	1430 MeV [29%]
	5000 MeV

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# Gas Detectors

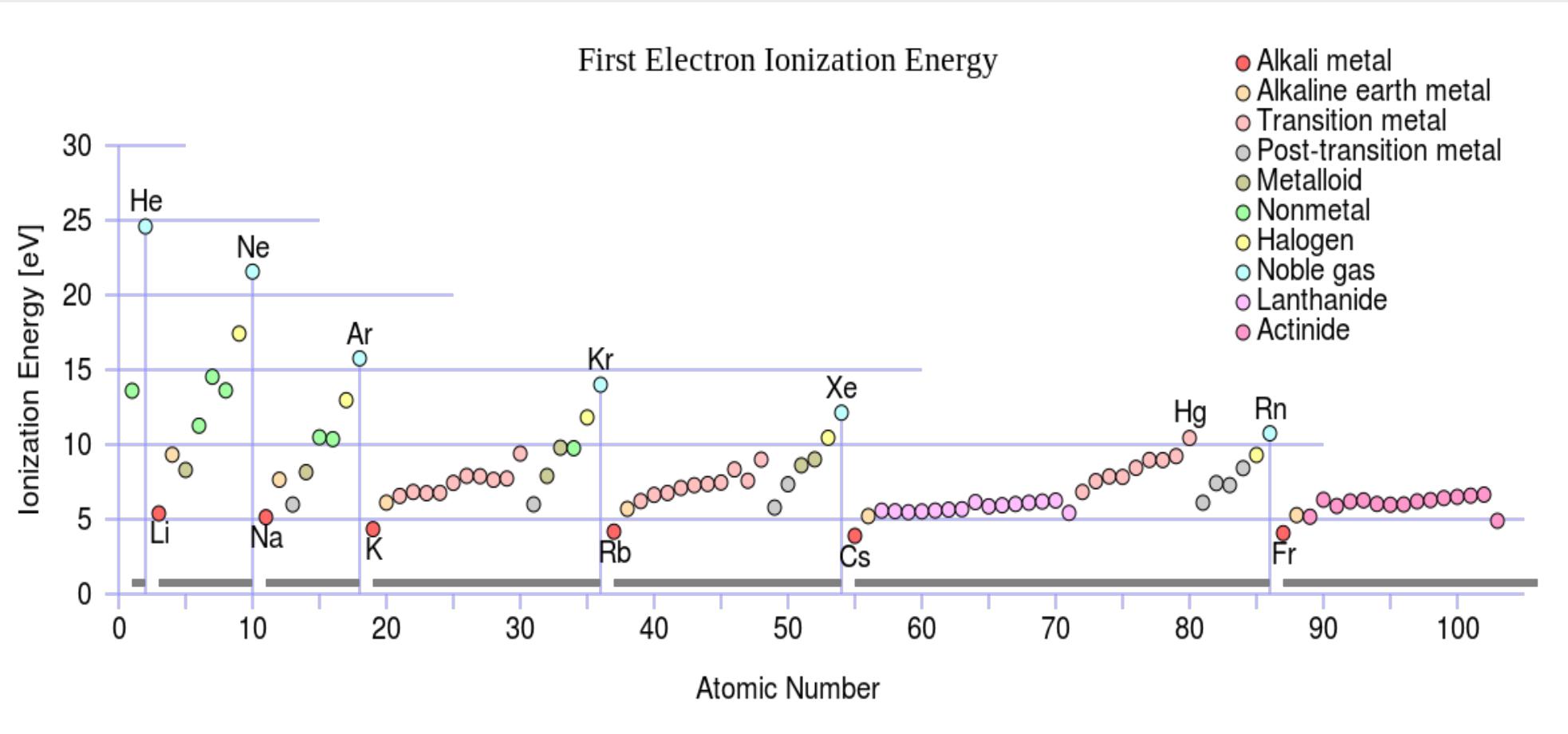
## Visualisation of ion chamber operation



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Work at very low energies

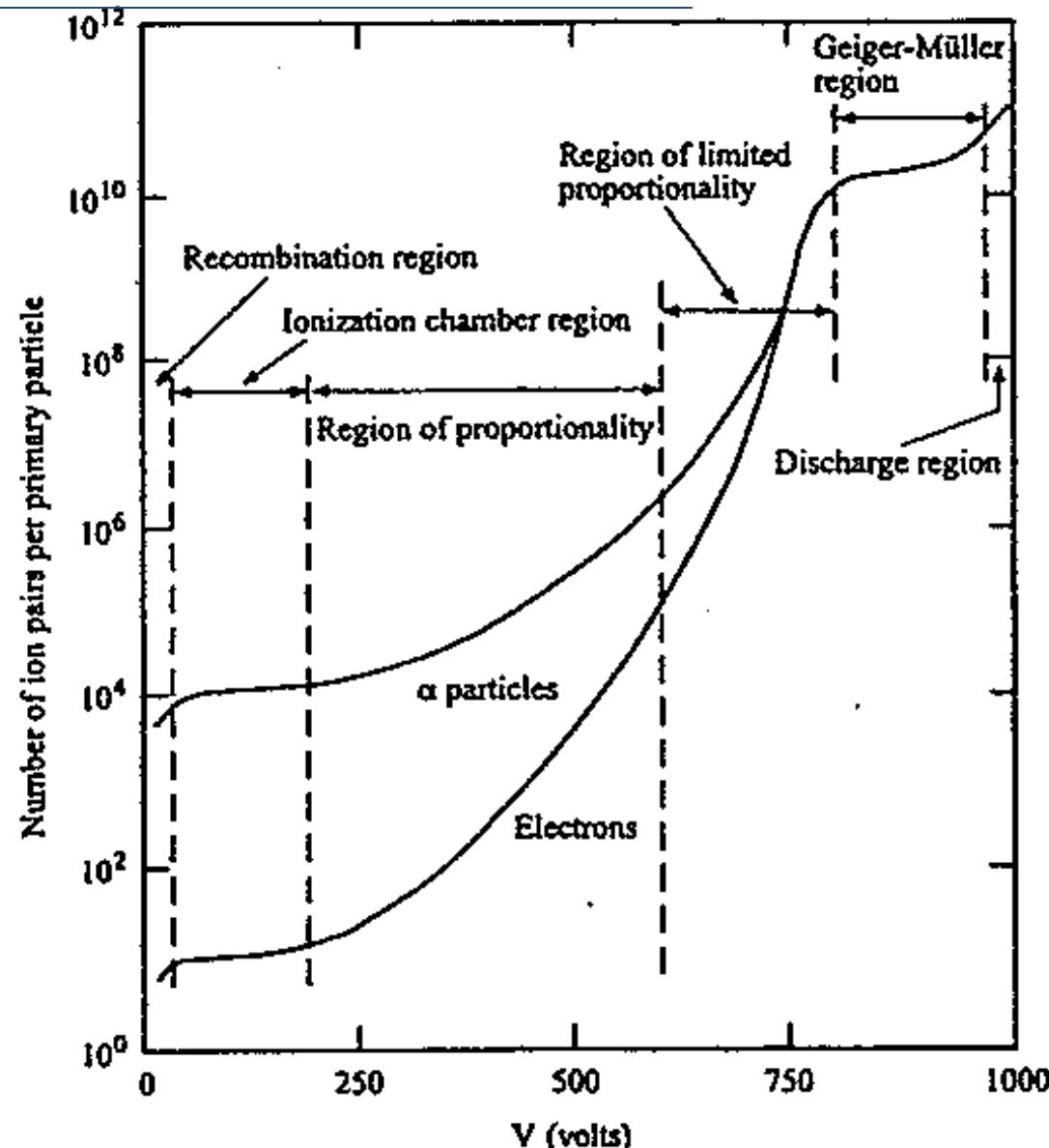
# Gas Detector Materials



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# Gas Detectors

- There are several regions for detector operation depending on the voltage applied
- **recombination region:** At low applied energies, the output signal is very small, because electron-ion pairs recombine before reaching the electrodes - not useful for a detector
- **ionization chamber region:** When the voltage increases, the numbers of pairs increases to a saturation level, which means a complete collection of all charge - small pulse
- **region of proportionality:** Electric field is sufficiently high to produce secondary ionization
- **Geiger-Müller region:** Ionized as many electrons as you can in the gas; saturation of secondary ionization, all nearby electrons collected. Cannot distinguish between alphas and electrons
- **Breakdown or discharge region:** Breakdown of gas, ionization even without particles passing through

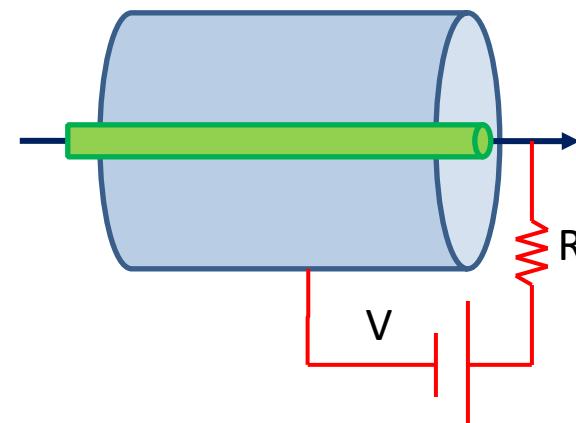


# Ionization Chamber

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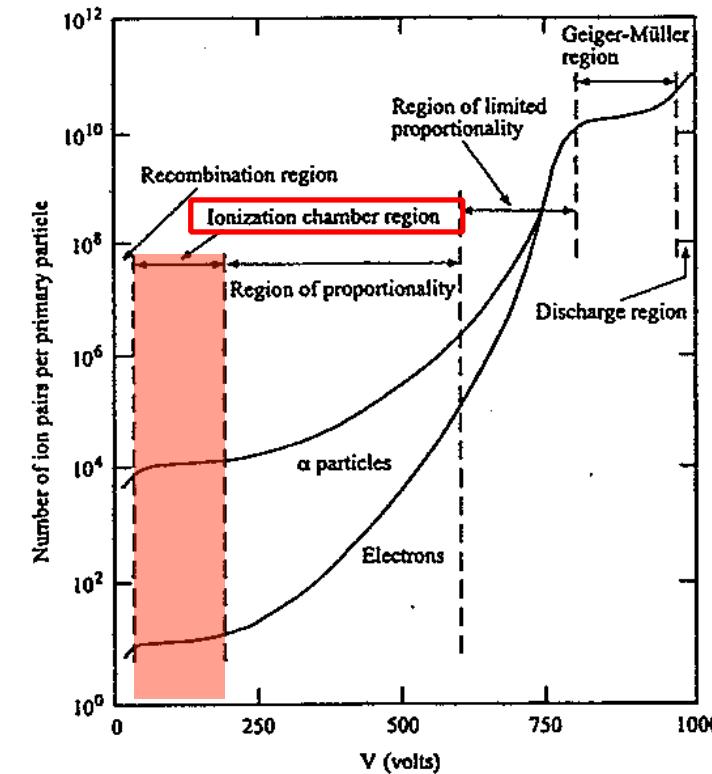
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Eg. Cylindrical shape with an inner anode of radius  $r_a$  and an outer cathode of radius  $r_c$



Electric field  $E(r)$  is given by

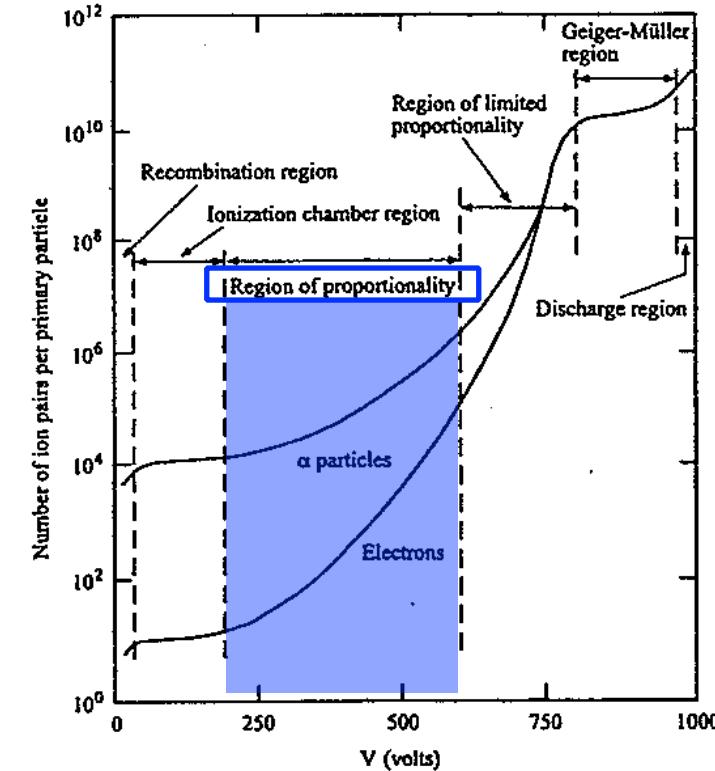
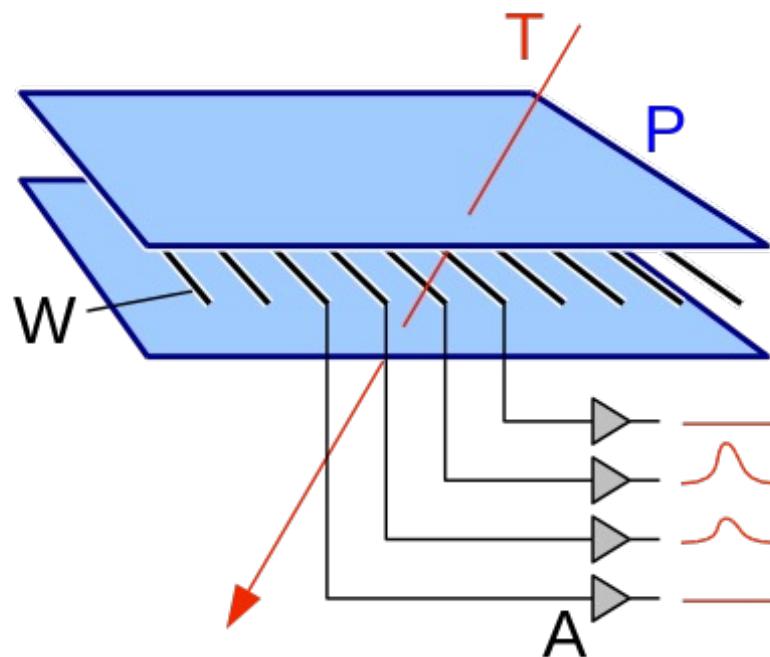
$$\frac{V}{r \cdot \ln(r_c/r_a)}$$



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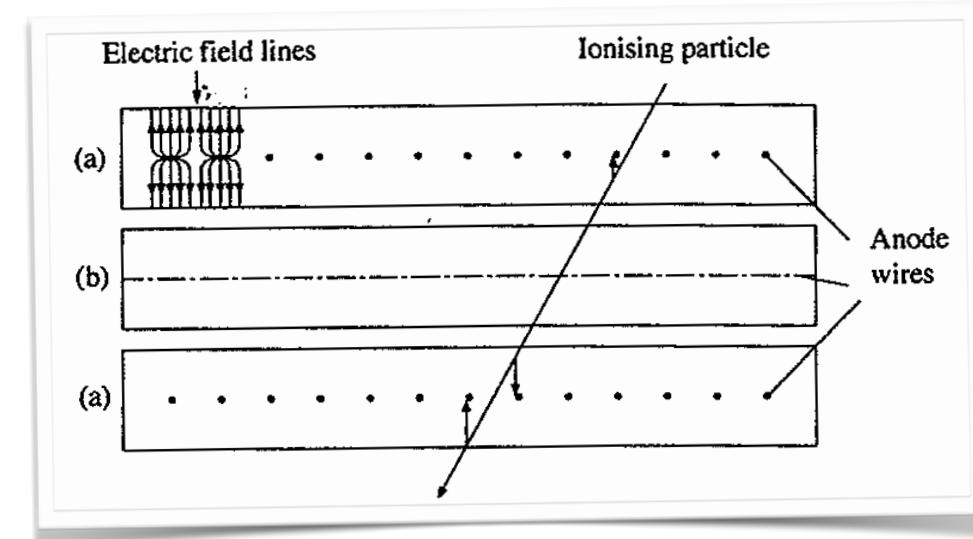
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## MWPC

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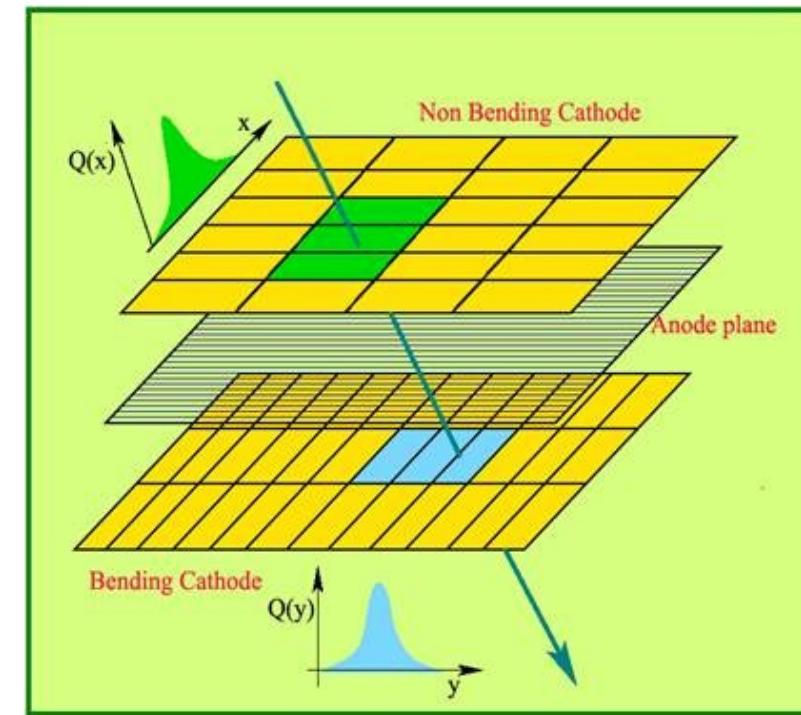
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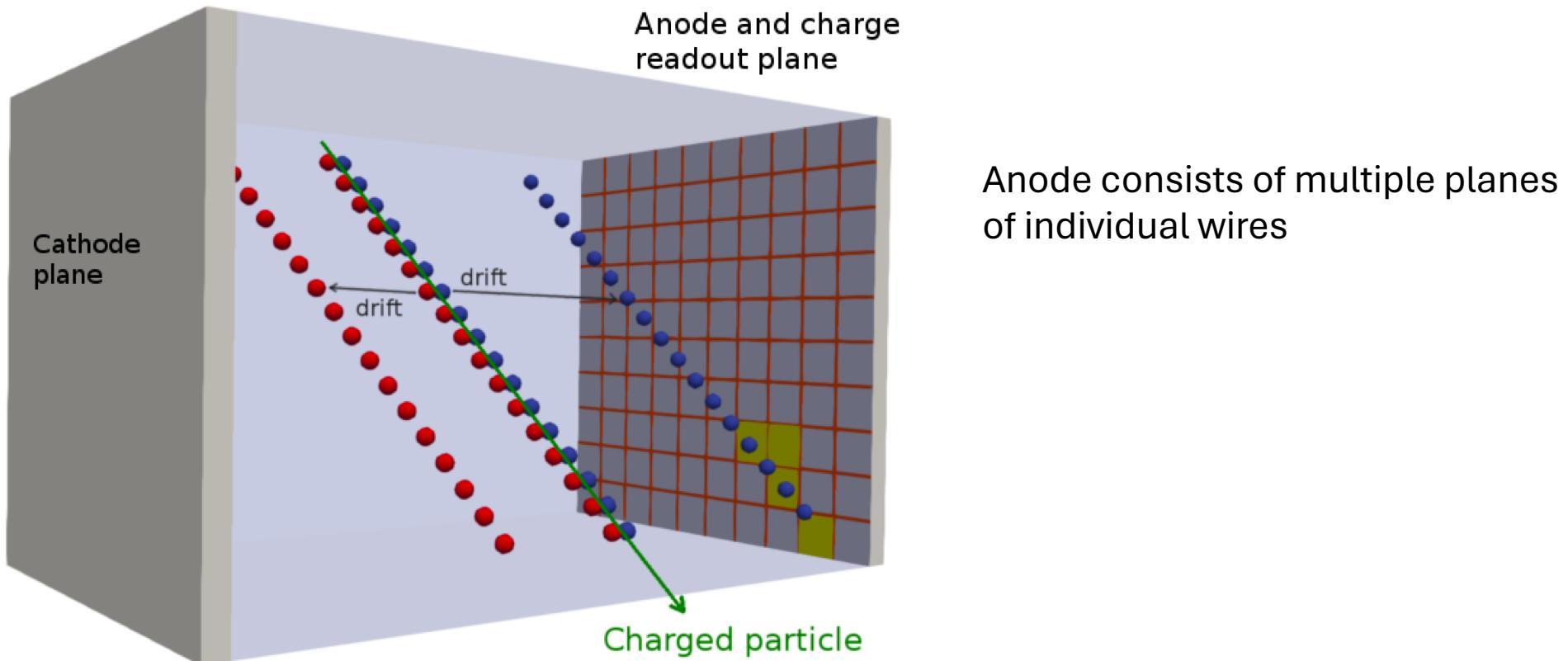
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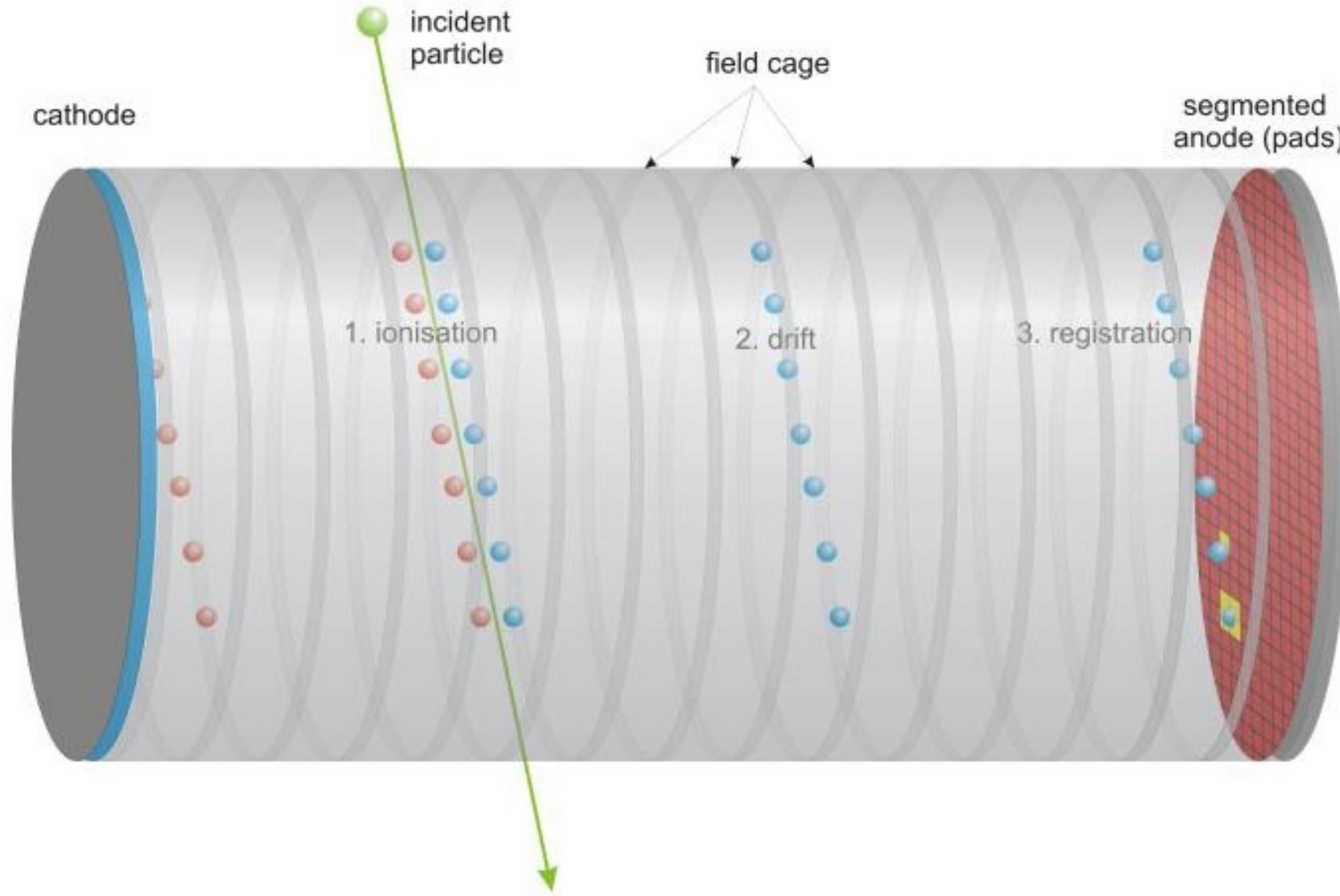
# Time Projection Chambers

## Time Projection Chamber (TPC) :

One of the most advanced applications of proportional and drift chamber.  
Electrons formed along the track of an ionizing particle drift under the electric field E towards one of the endcaps along helical trajectories.



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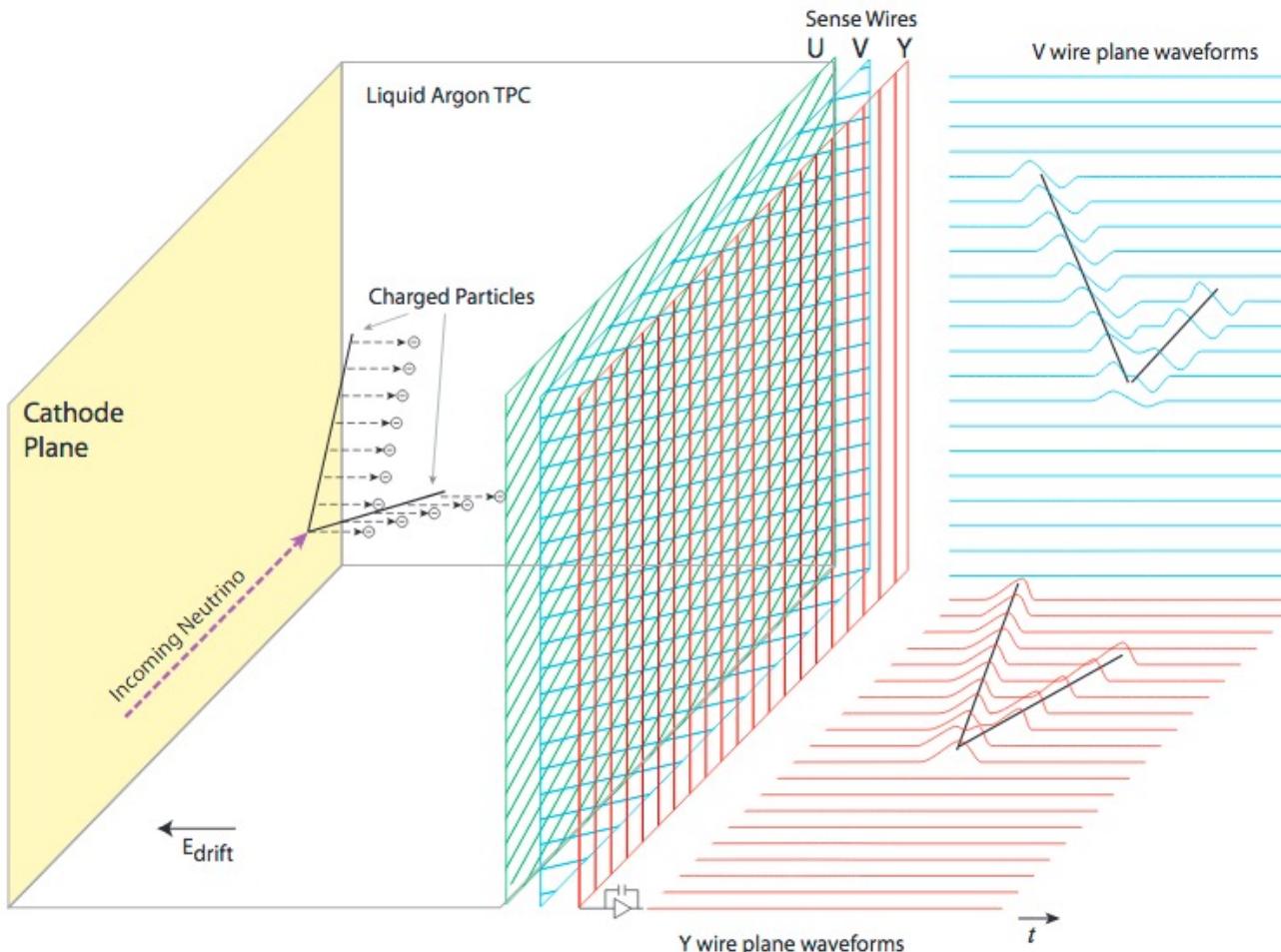


## WIMP Signals in a Dual-Phase Xenon Detector



# Dune far detector

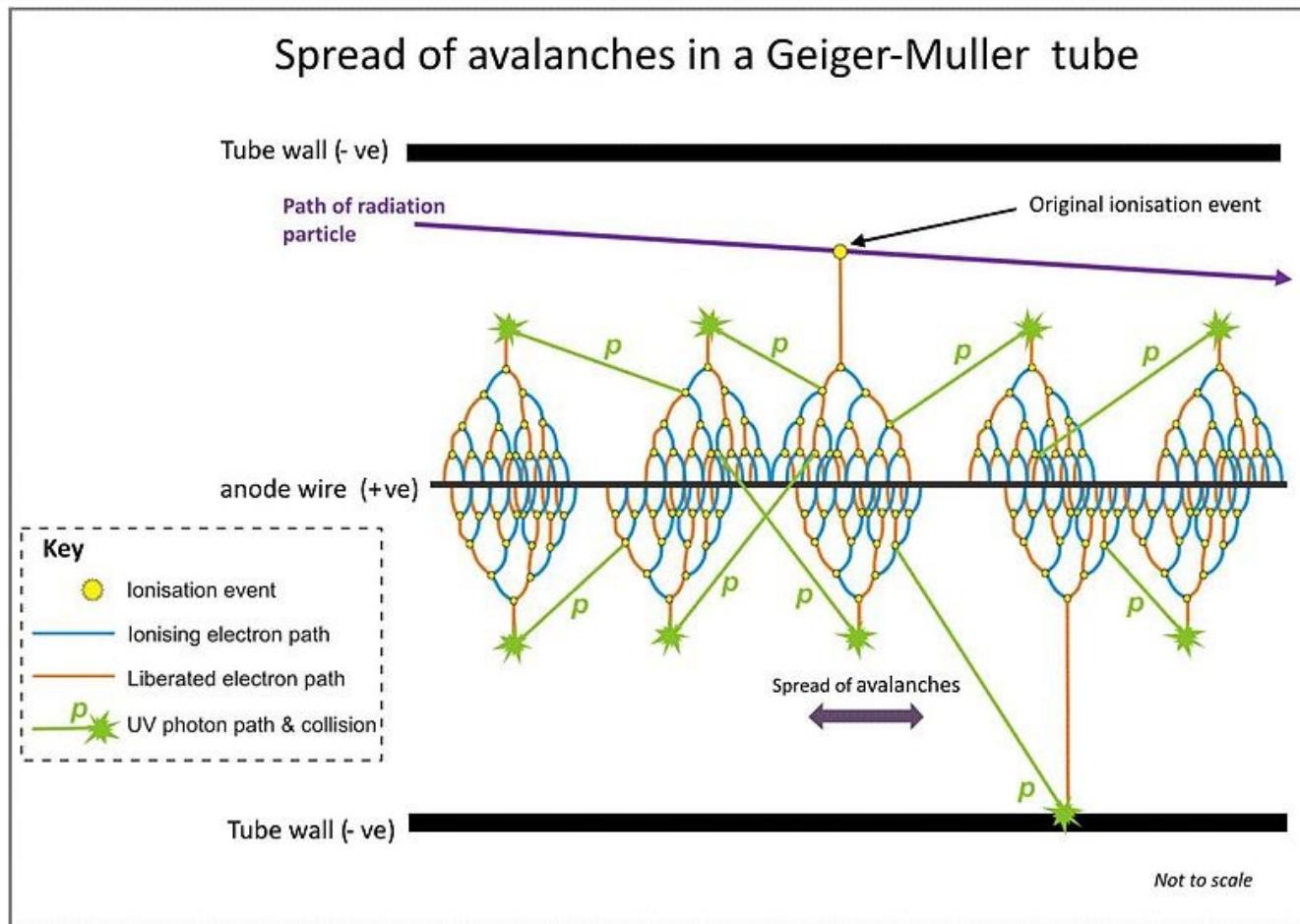
- Liquid-Argon TPC - readout planes at the top
- 70,000 tons of Argon - active detector and drift medium



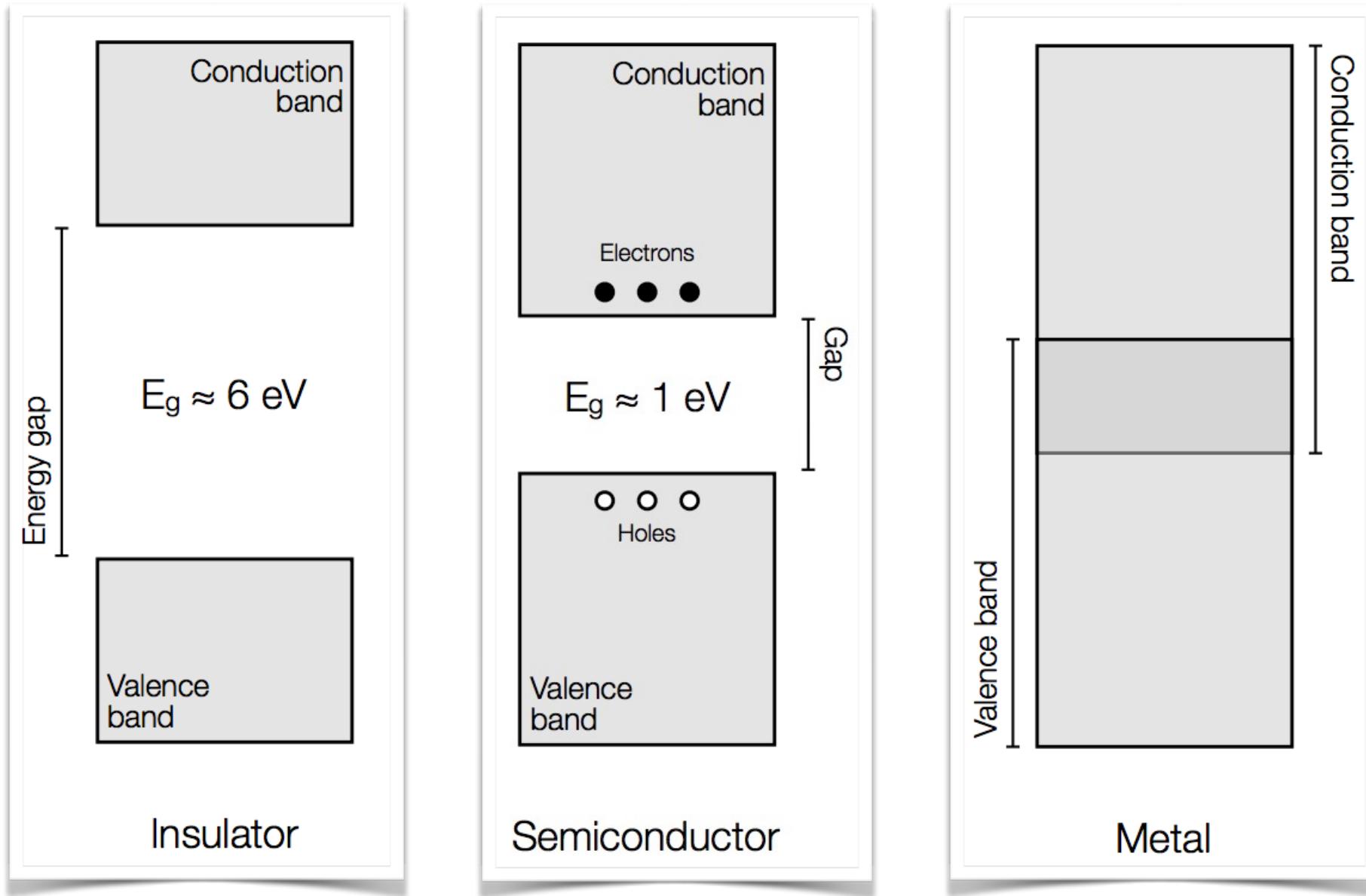
# Beyond the Region of Proportionality

## The Geiger-Muller region :

The output signal is independent of the energy loss of the incident particle.  
Detectors working in this region are called as the **Geiger-Muller counters**.



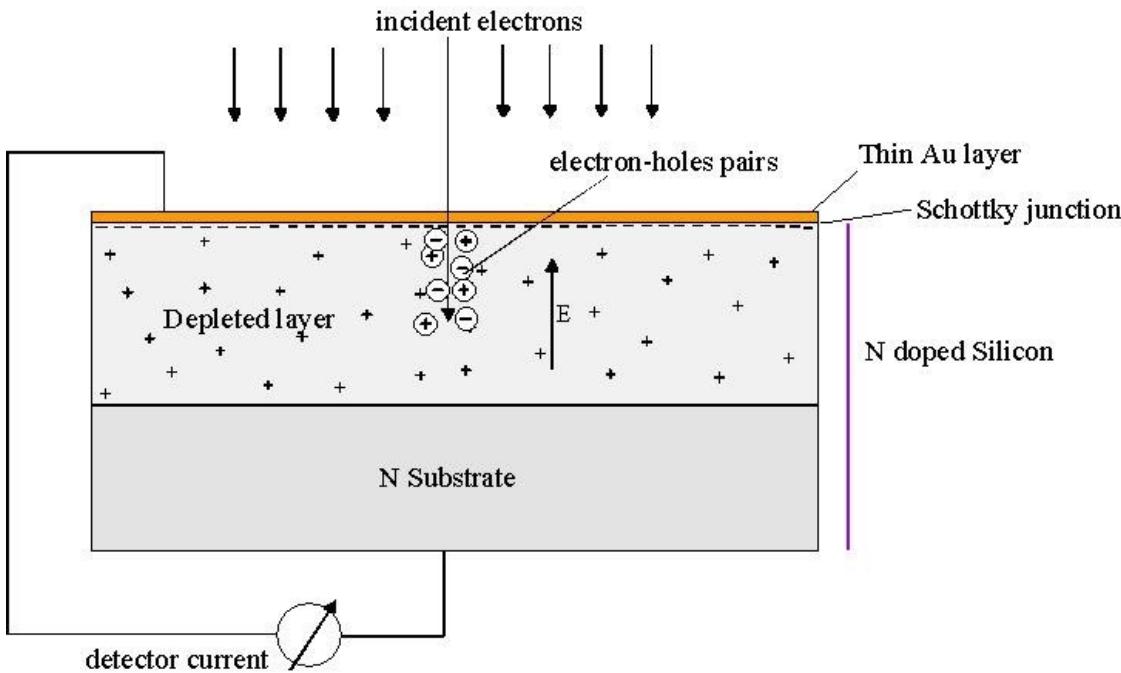
# Semiconductor Detectors



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Solid-state detectors (Si, Ge) operate through the promotion of electrons from the valence band of a solid to the conduction band as a result of the passage of the incident particle.

The advantage of the solid-state detectors is the good energy resolution, because the energy loss required to produce electron-hole pair is only 3-4eV, compared to 30eV required in a gas detector.

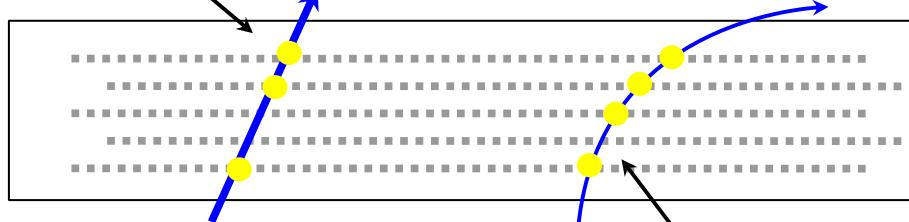


Energy required to produce electron-hole pair eV	
Scintillator	100-300
Gas detector	10-30
Germanium	2.9
Silicon	3.7

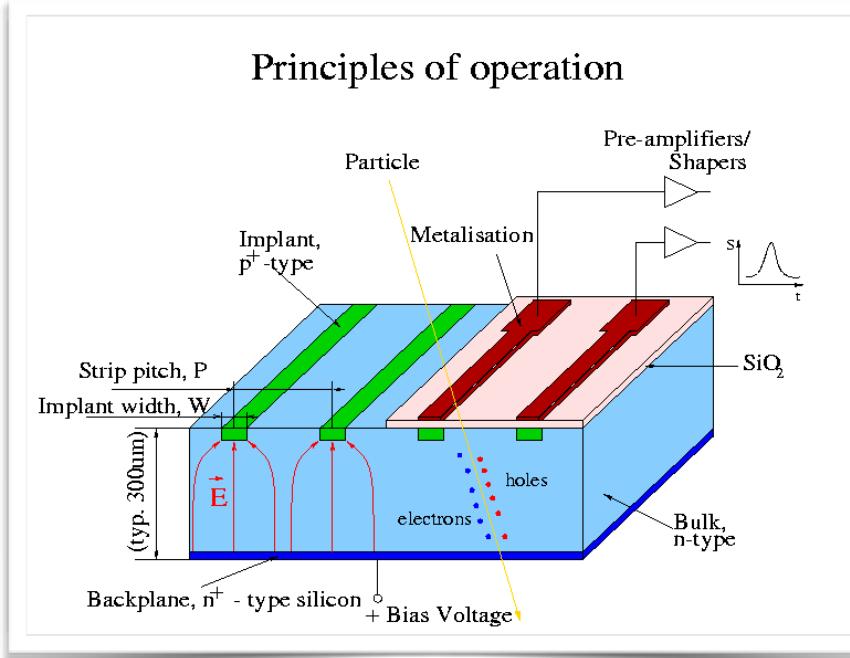
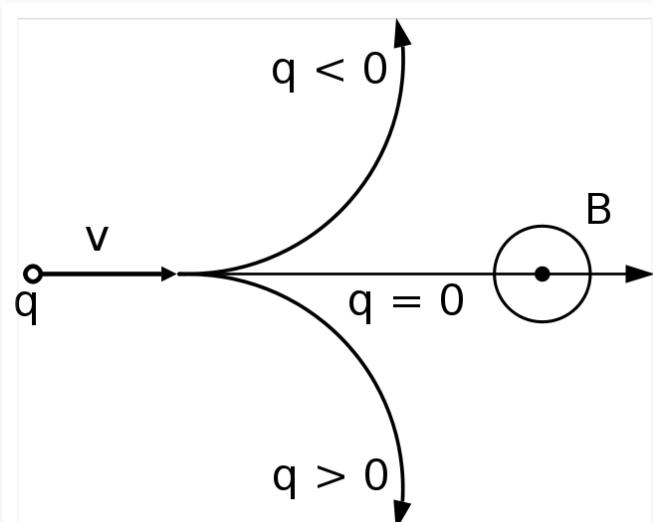
# Silicon Ionization Detectors

*Semiconductor ionization created  
by passing particle charge*

Particles ionize thin silicon layers and this charge can be collected to identify a “track”



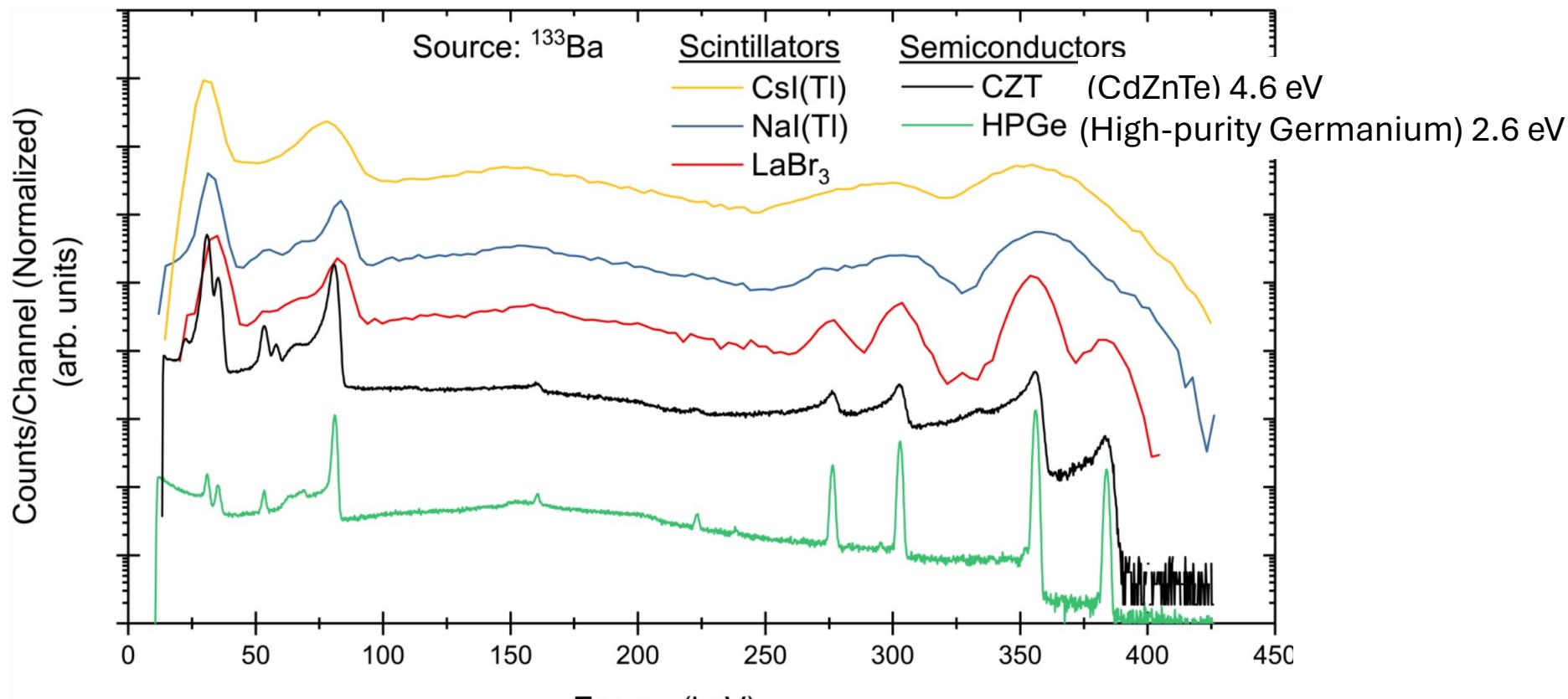
By placing in a solenoidal magnetic field, Lorentz force on particle measures momentum



Real silicon detector  
Thousands of these  
at ATLAS detector  
Thousands of wires  
reading out each  
layer

# Semiconductors vs scintillators

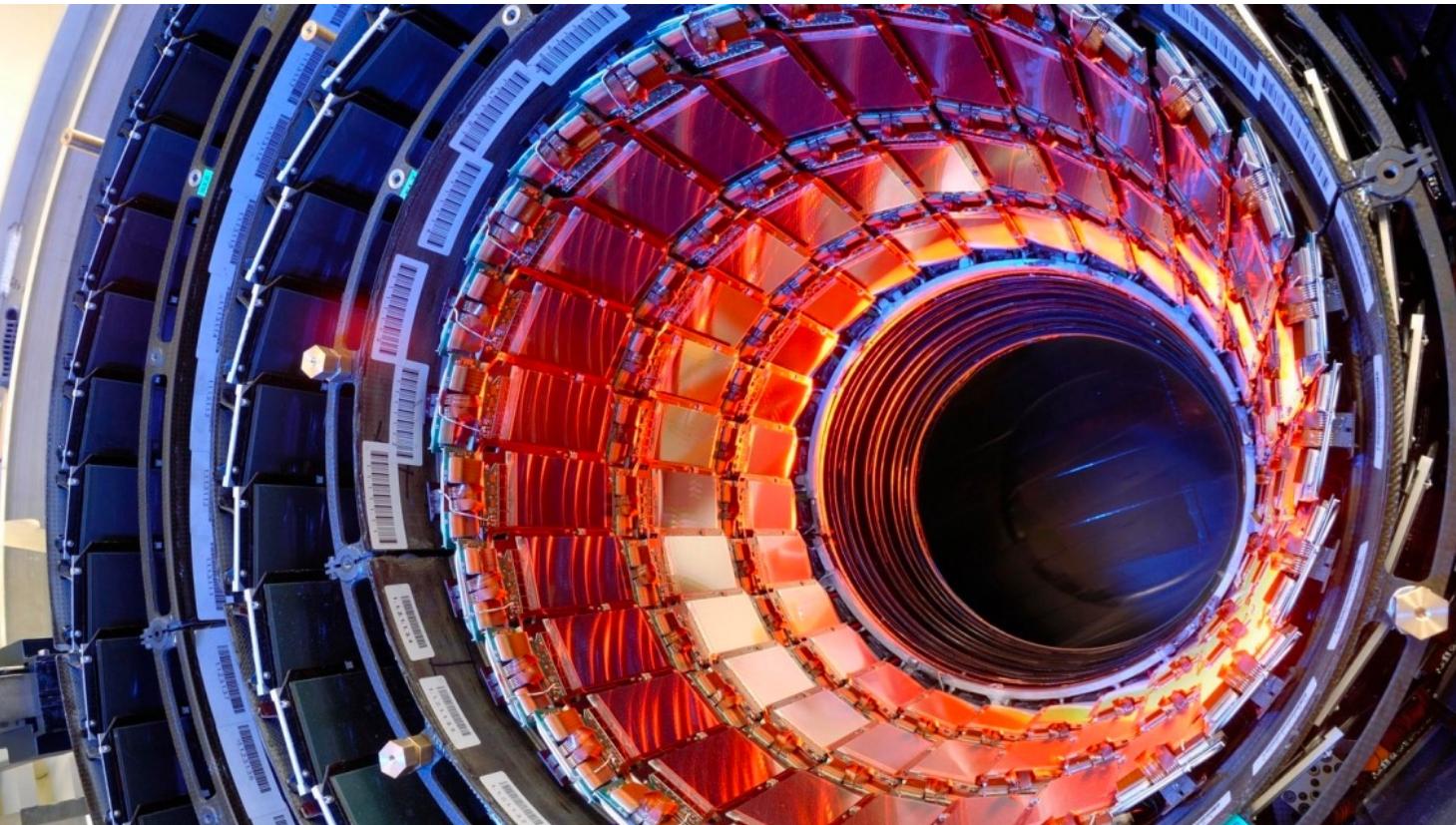
- Advantage: energy resolution
- Example: detecting decays of  $^{133}\text{Ba}$



# CMS silicon tracker

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- Arranged in pixels and strips
- 75,000,000 readout channels
- 10  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution



# Recap / Up Next

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This time:

Particle Detectors

Detector strategies

Particle Identification

Detector Systems

Next time:

Multicomponent Detectors

Comprehensive strategies

Particle Identification

Triggering

