

Calorimetry in High-Energy Physics

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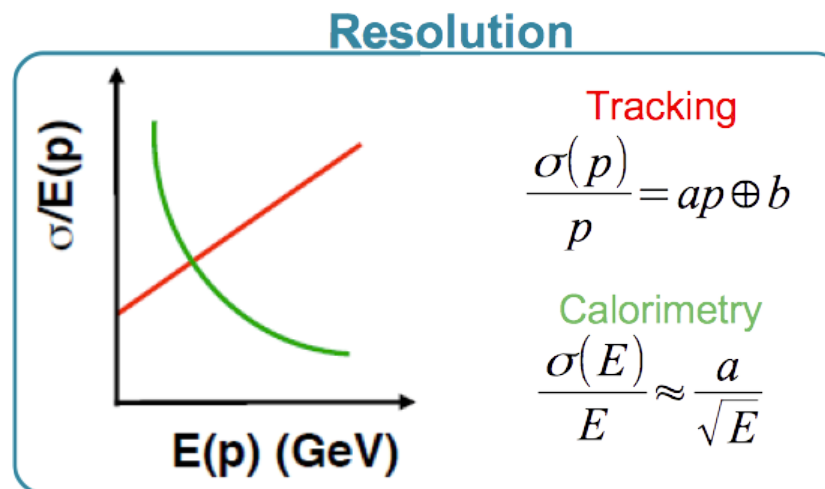
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What is a calorimeter (in HEP)?

- In HEP calorimetry is the detection of particles through **total absorption** in a block of matter
 - “Most particles end their journey in calorimeters”
- Calorimeters can **measure both charged and neutrals**
- Relative resolution improves with energy
- Complementary to tracking detectors

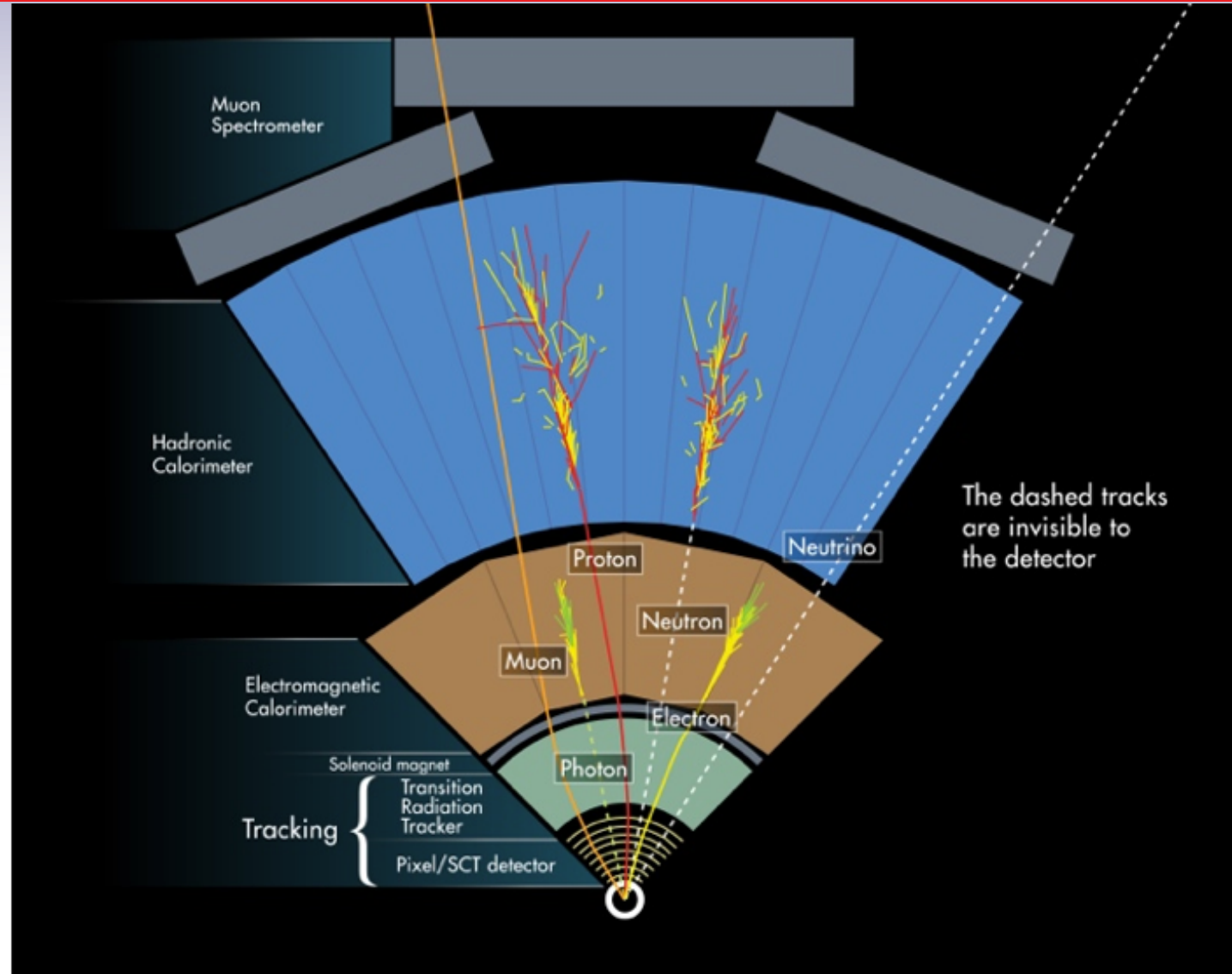


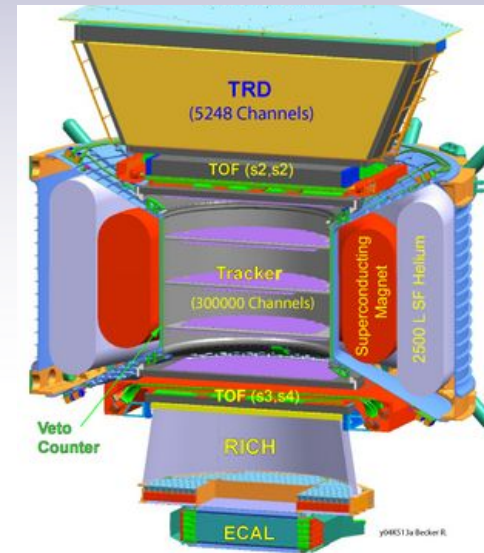


Muon spectrometer

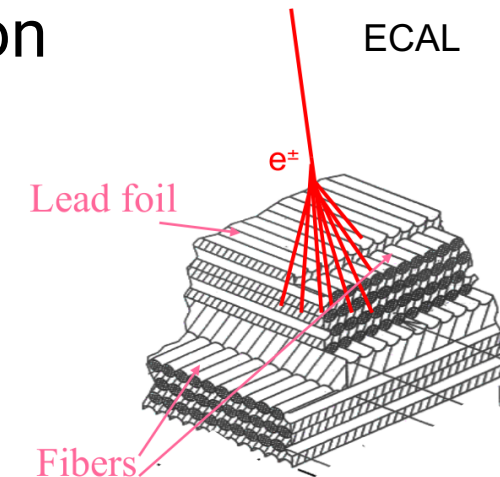
Calorimeters

Trackers





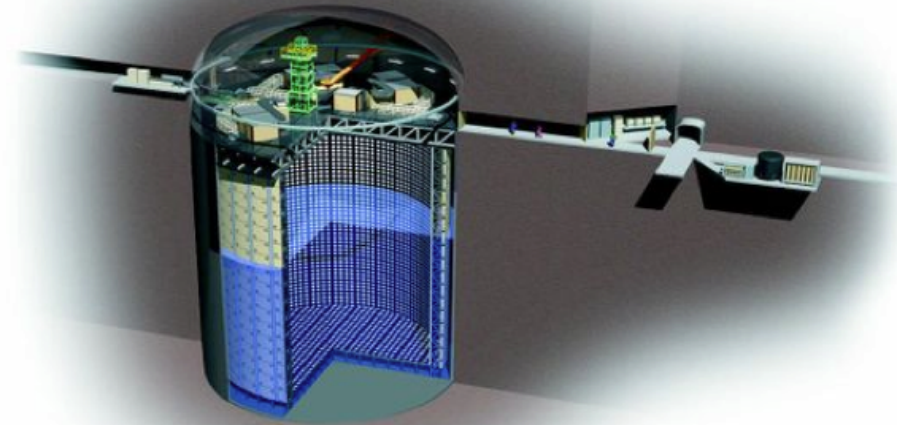
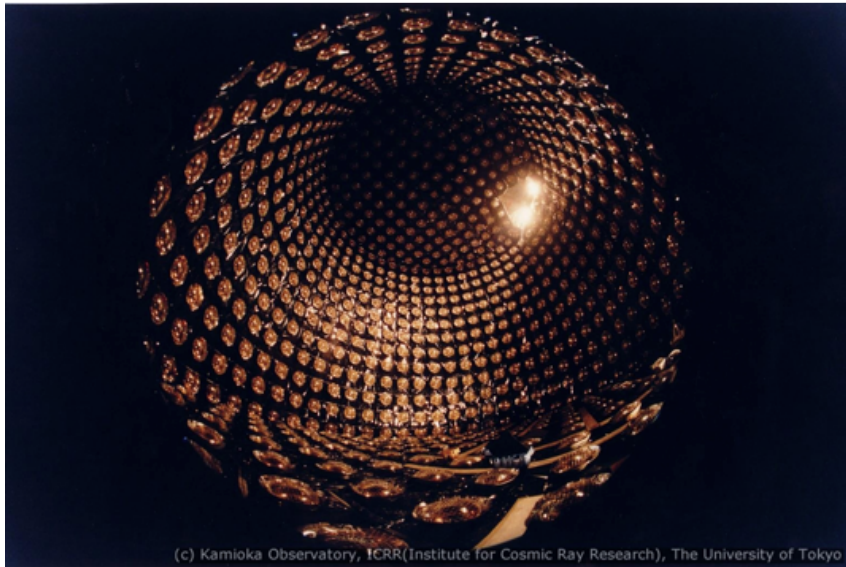
- AMS: experiment on the International Space Station
- Search presence of **antimatter and dark matter**
- Electromagnetic calorimeter
 - Measure high energy electrons/positrons
 - Discriminate against protons





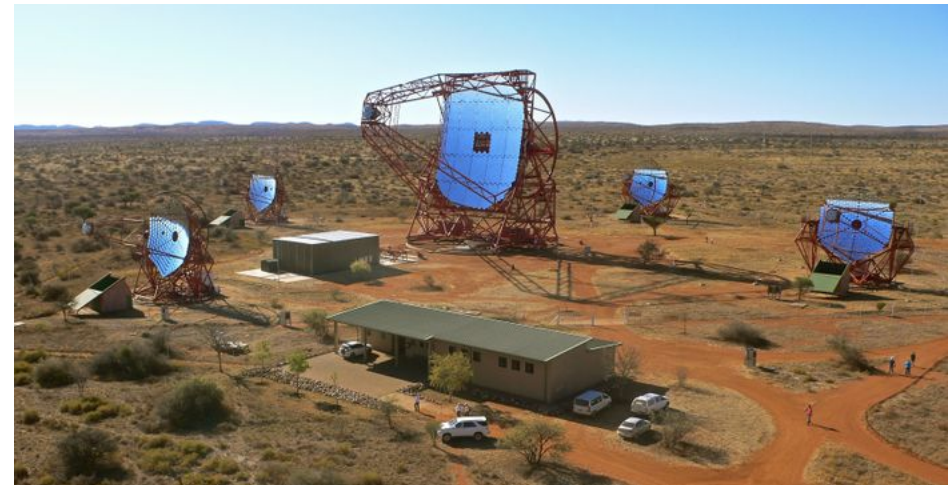
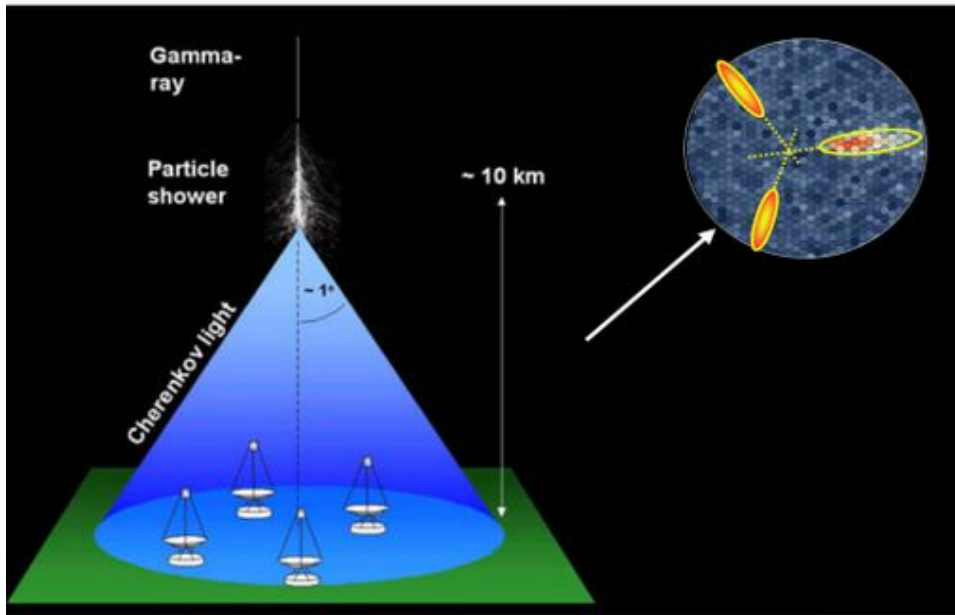
Super-Kamiokande

- Tank of 50 ktons of ultrapure water in underground mine
 - Scattering of neutrinos with electron or nuclei of water → **Cerenkov light**
 - 11k photomultipliers
- Measurement of solar neutrinos flux deficit, discovery of **neutrino oscillation**, ...





- Explore cosmic gamma rays
 - Interaction with the **atmosphere**
 - Emission of **Cerenkov light**
- Telescopes record this Cerenkov light on the ground

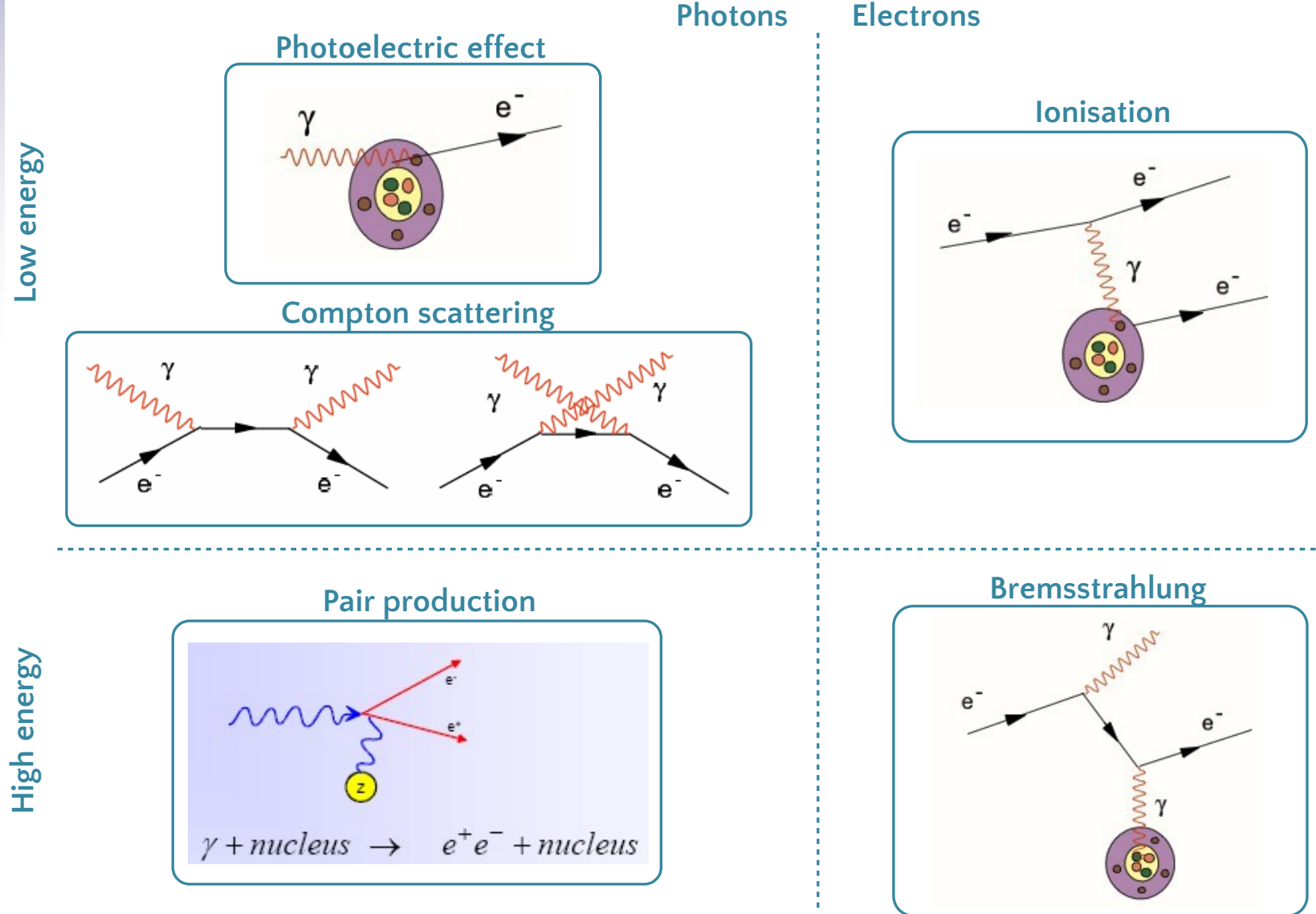


Electromagnetic and hadronic showers





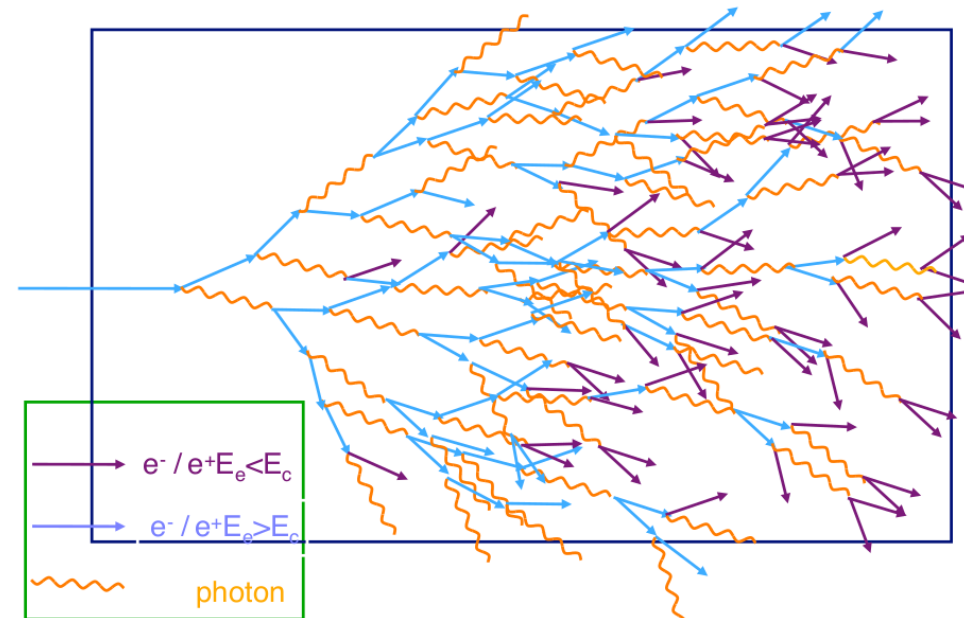
Electromagnetic interactions with matter





Electromagnetic showers

- High energy particle creates a **cascade** of lower energy electrons and photons (bremsstrahlung and pair production)
 - **Number of particles proportional to E_0**
- When the **critical energy** is reached, secondary particles are slowly **stopped** (electrons) or **absorbed** (photons)

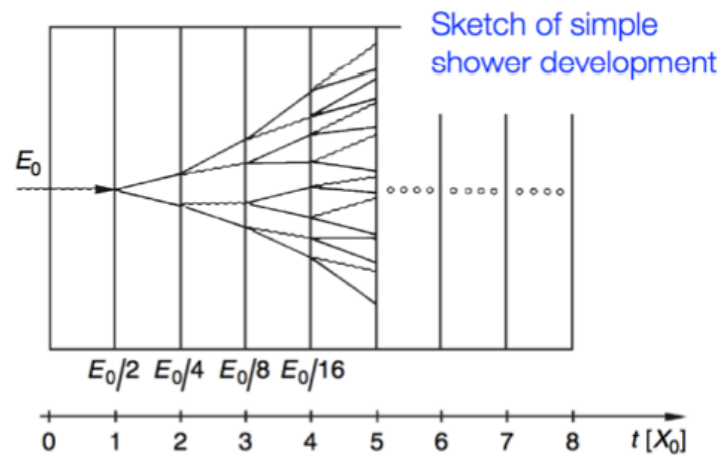




Electromagnetic showers: radiation length (X_0)

Allows nearly material-independent shower parametrisation

- Electrons loose half of their energy in about $2/3 \times X_0$
- Photons convert in about $9/7 \times X_0$
- High-energy particle duplication at every X_0 ($e \rightarrow e\gamma$ or $\gamma \rightarrow ee$)



Approximation:

$$X_0 = \frac{180 A}{Z^2} \text{ g.cm}^{-2}$$

Expressed in **cm** or **g.cm⁻²**
(conversion using density)

O(1 cm) for dense materials

Electron energy loss

$$-\left(\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_{rad} = \frac{E}{X_0}$$

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

$$x(E_0/2) = X_0 \ln(2)$$

Pair prod. probability

$$\frac{dw}{dx} = \frac{1}{\lambda_{pair}} e^{-x/\lambda_{pair}}$$

$$\lambda_{pair} = \frac{9}{7} X_0$$

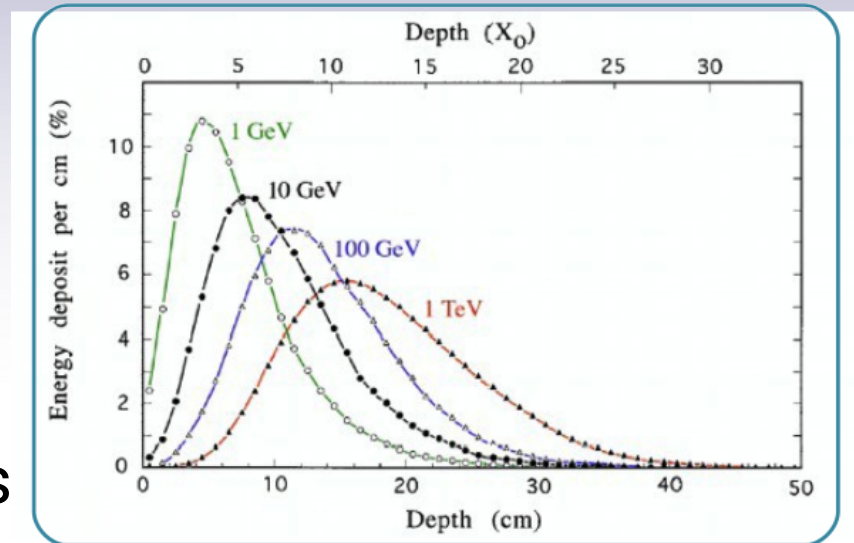


EM shower properties

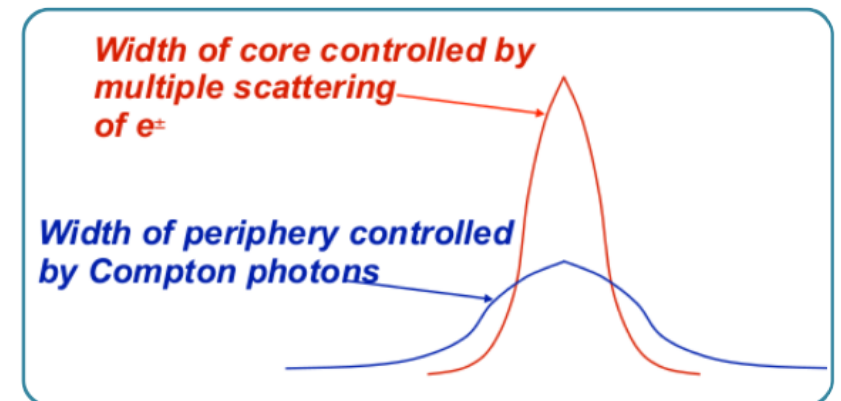
- Shower depth grows with $\log(E)$
 - EM calorimeters can be compact ($\sim 15-30 X_0$, preferably high-Z materials)
- Lateral spread described by Molière radius
 - $\sim 90\%$ of the energy in a cylinder of R_M ($\sim 95\%$ in $2 R_M$)
 - Few cm for typical materials used

$$R_M = \frac{21 \text{ MeV} \times X_0}{E_c} \approx \frac{7 A}{Z} \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2}$$

Longitudinal profile



Lateral profile

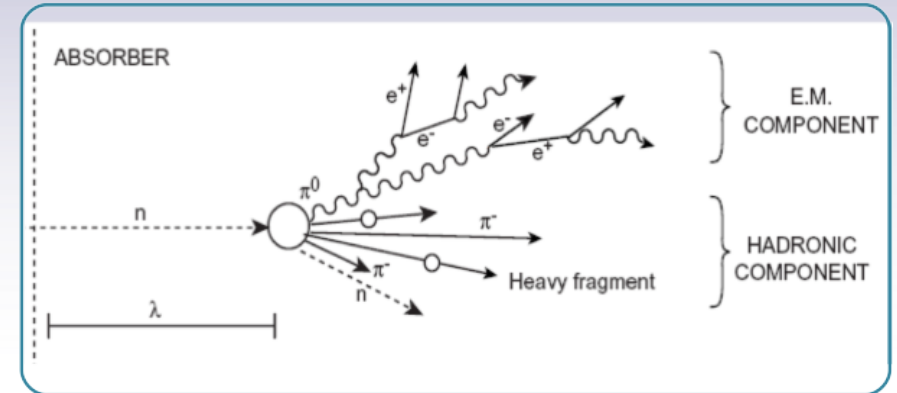




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 - EM interactions
 - Hadron production, nuclear de-excitation, spallation, muon and pion decays, ...

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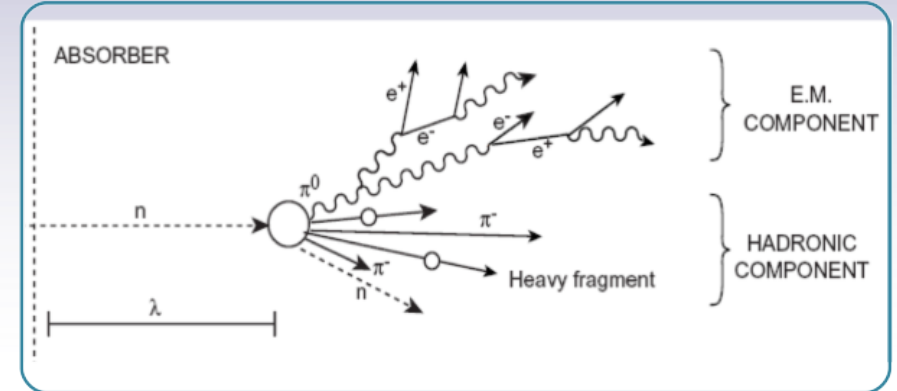




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- Described by **nuclear interaction length** λ_{int} , mean free path between inelastic interactions

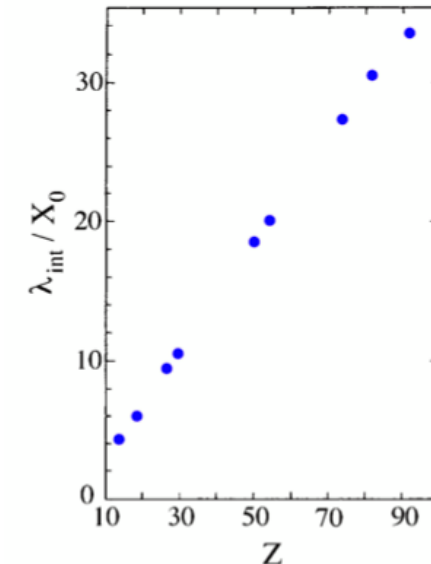
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$$\lambda \approx 35 A^{1/3} \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2}$$

- $\lambda_{\text{int}} > X_0$ -> hadronic showers start later and are more diffuse than EM ones

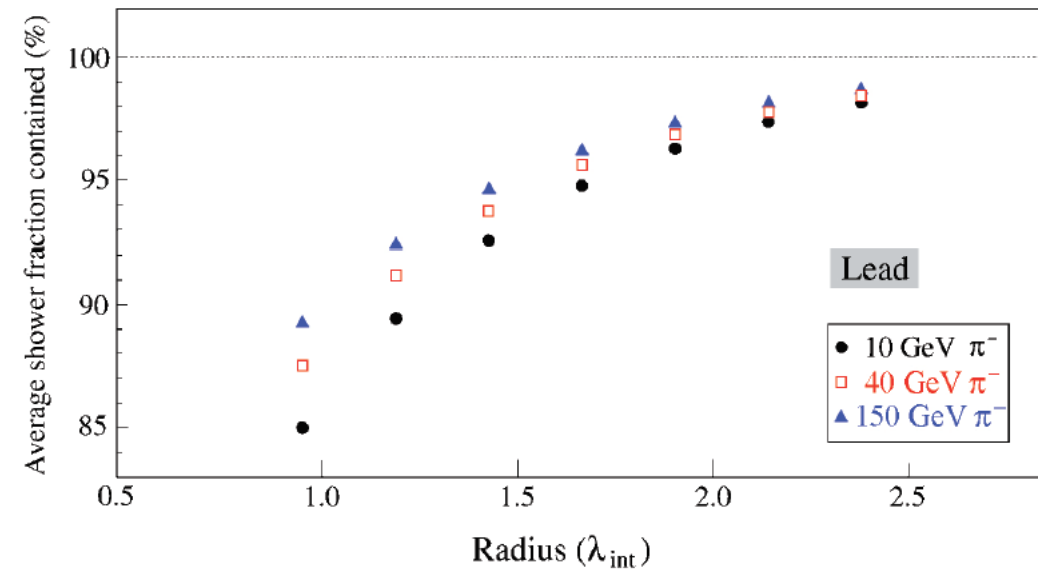
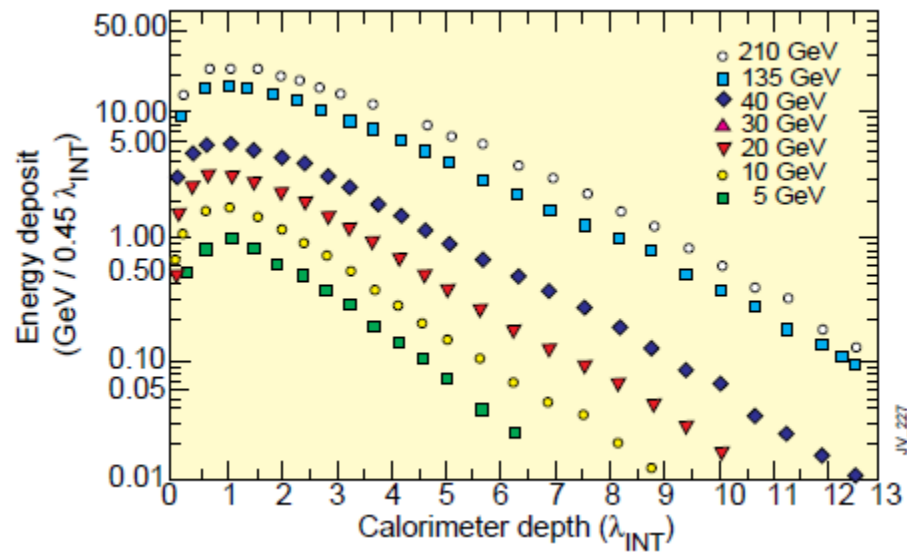
	Z	ρ (g.cm ⁻³)	E_c (MeV)	X_0 (cm)	λ_{int} (cm)
Air				30 420	~70 000
Water				36	84
PbWO ₄		8.28		0.89	22.4
C	6	2.3	103	18.8	38.1
Al	13	2.7	47	8.9	39.4
L Ar	18	1.4		14	84
Fe	26	7.9	24	1.76	16.8
Cu	29	9	20	1.43	15.1
W	74	19.3	8.1	0.35	9.6
Pb	82	11.3	6.9	0.56	17.1
U	92	19	6.2	0.32	10.5





Hadronic shower properties

- Hadronic calorimeters usually have 5-8 λ_{int}
- Lateral shower spread from EM core and tails from non-EM components
 - Well described by λ_{int}



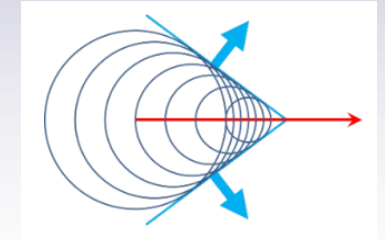
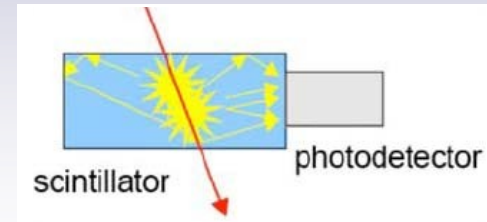
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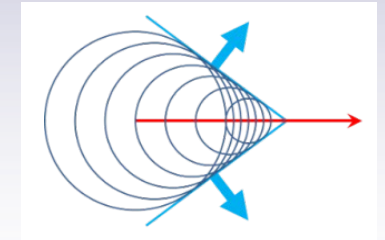
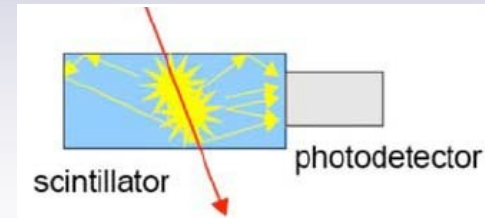
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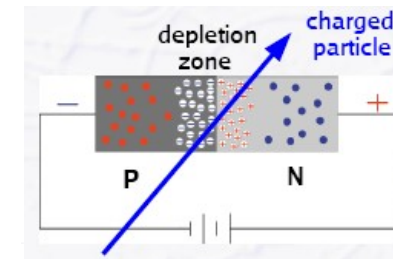


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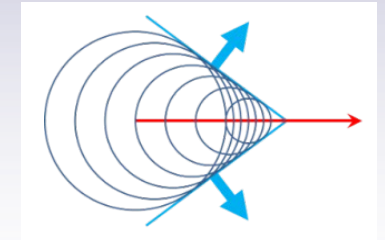
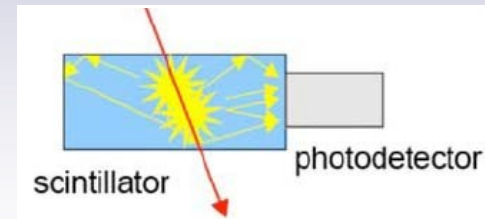
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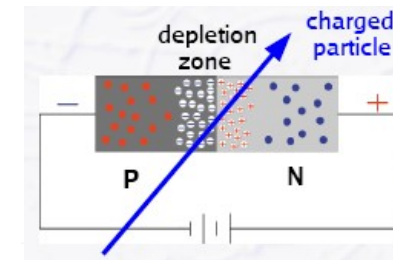


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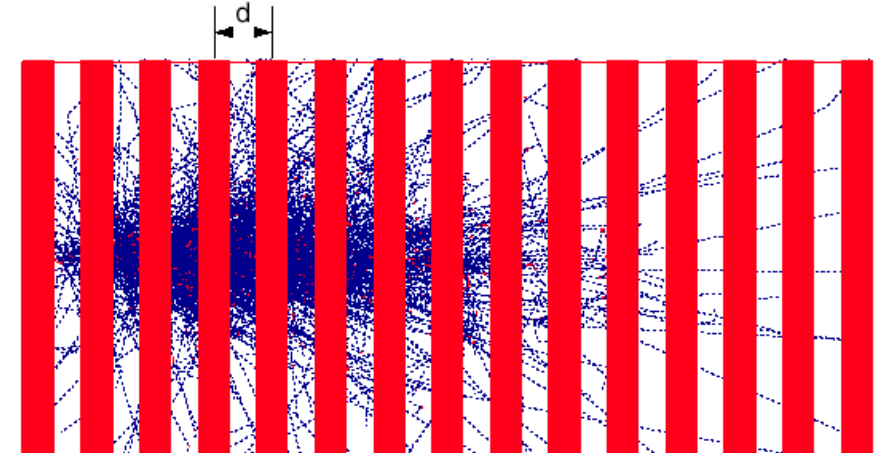
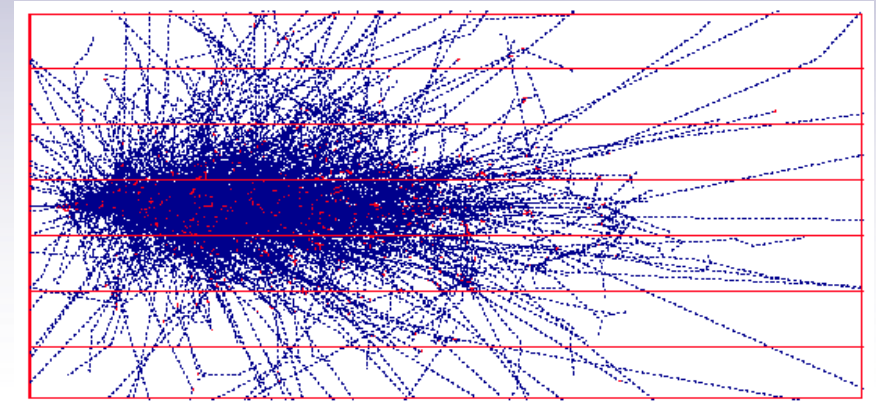
- Measure (very small) temperature increase
 - Bolometers, not covered in this lecture

- Dedicated electronics to collect signals in each case (not covered)



Homogeneous and sampling calorimeters

- Homogeneous calorimeter
 - Single medium for shower development and signal collection
 - “All” energy deposited is collected
 - Excellent energy resolution
 - Usually (very) expensive
- Sampling calorimeter
 - Absorber (dense material) for shower development
 - Active material for signal collection
 - Only energy in active material is measured
 - Cheaper but worse energy resolution
 - All hadronic calorimeters (I know of) are of this type



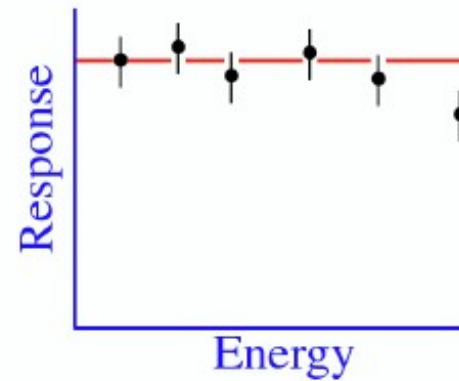
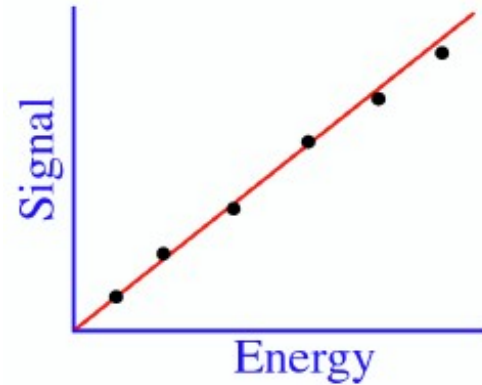
Energy measurement





Calibration and calorimeter response

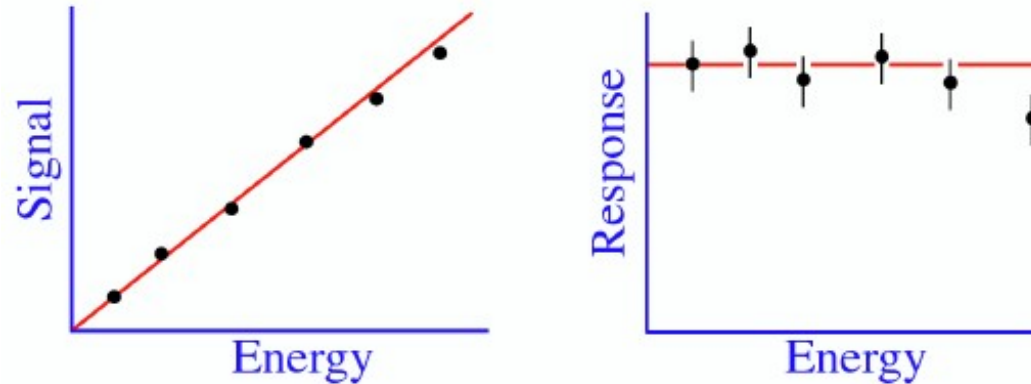
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- A linear calorimeter has a constant response ($\langle \text{signal} \rangle / \text{energy}$)
 - The signal is proportional to the deposited energy



- In general electromagnetic calorimeters are linear
- Hadronic calorimeters are not, the response depends on the particle



Energy resolution

Energy resolution determined by fluctuations of energy deposits and measurement process

$$\frac{\sigma(E)}{E} = \frac{\overset{\text{Stochastic}}{S}}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus \frac{\underset{\text{Noise}}{N}}{E} \oplus \overset{\text{Constant}}{C} \quad \oplus = \text{quadratic sum}$$

N.B.: only a parametrisation, there can be other effects

- **Stochastic term** (Poisson fluctuations)
 - $E \propto$ number of particles n : $\frac{\sigma_n}{n} = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \rightarrow \frac{\sigma_E}{E} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{E}}$
- **Noise term**: electronics or e.g. other particles
 - Independent of particle energy
- **Constant term**
 - Leakage, non-uniformities (construction, temperature, calibration, etc)

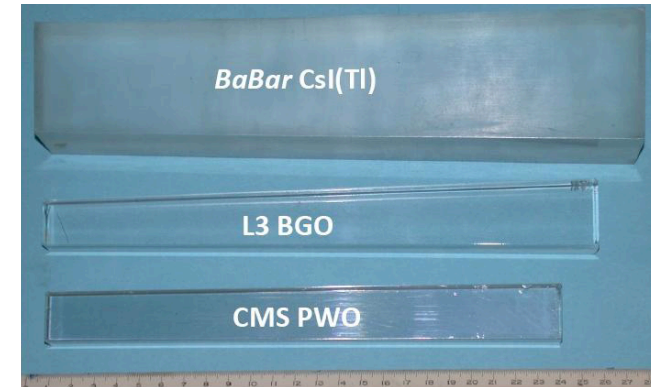


Energy resolution of some EM calorimeters

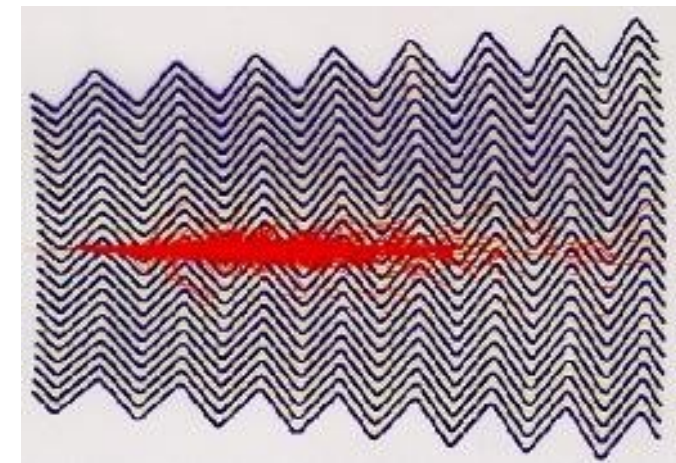
Table 33.8: Resolution of typical electromagnetic calorimeters. E is in GeV.

Technology (Experiment)	Depth	Energy resolution	Date
NaI(Tl) (Crystal Ball)	$20X_0$	$2.7\%/E^{1/4}$	1983
Bi ₄ Ge ₃ O ₁₂ (BGO) (L3)	$22X_0$	$2\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.7\%$	1993
CsI (KTeV)	$27X_0$	$2\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.45\%$	1996
CsI(Tl) (BaBar)	$16-18X_0$	$2.3\%/E^{1/4} \oplus 1.4\%$	1999
CsI(Tl) (BELLE)	$16X_0$	1.7% for $E_\gamma > 3.5$ GeV	1998
PbWO ₄ (PWO) (CMS)	$25X_0$	$3\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.5\% \oplus 0.2/E$	1997
Lead glass (OPAL)	$20.5X_0$	$5\%/ \sqrt{E}$	1990
Liquid Kr (NA48)	$27X_0$	$3.2\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.42\% \oplus 0.09/E$	1998
Scintillator/depleted U (ZEUS)	$20-30X_0$	$18\%/ \sqrt{E}$	1988
Scintillator/Pb (CDF)	$18X_0$	$13.5\%/ \sqrt{E}$	1988
Scintillator fiber/Pb spaghetti (KLOE)	$15X_0$	$5.7\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.6\%$	1995
Liquid Ar/Pb (NA31)	$27X_0$	$7.5\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.5\% \oplus 0.1/E$	1988
Liquid Ar/Pb (SLD)	$21X_0$	$8\%/ \sqrt{E}$	1993
Liquid Ar/Pb (H1)	$20-30X_0$	$12\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 1\%$	1998
Liquid Ar/depl. U (DØ)	$20.5X_0$	$16\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.3\% \oplus 0.3/E$	1993
Liquid Ar/Pb accordion (ATLAS)	$25X_0$	$10\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.4\% \oplus 0.3/E$	1996

Homogeneous



ATLAS Pb – liquid argon ECal



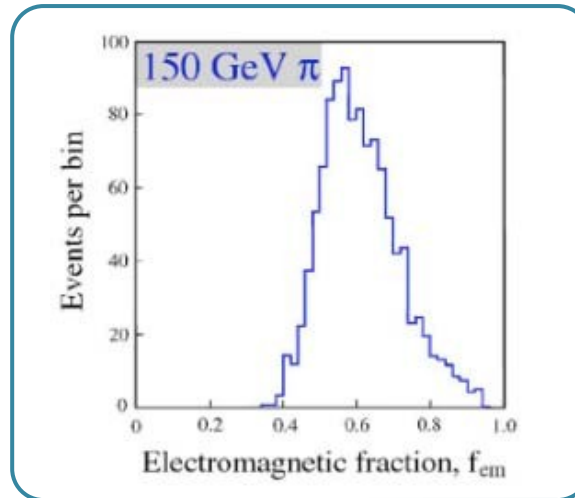
Sampling



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Fluctuations in EM fraction





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- **Non-linearity due to different response for EM and non-EM components**
 - Compensating calorimeters try to have $e/h \sim 1$
 - High-Z absorbers (Pb/U), ideally hydrogen in active material to boost neutron response
 - Large volume and long integration times (few 100 ns)
 - Can achieve resolutions around $20\%/\sqrt{E}$
- Typical resolutions around $50\text{-}100\%/\sqrt{E}$

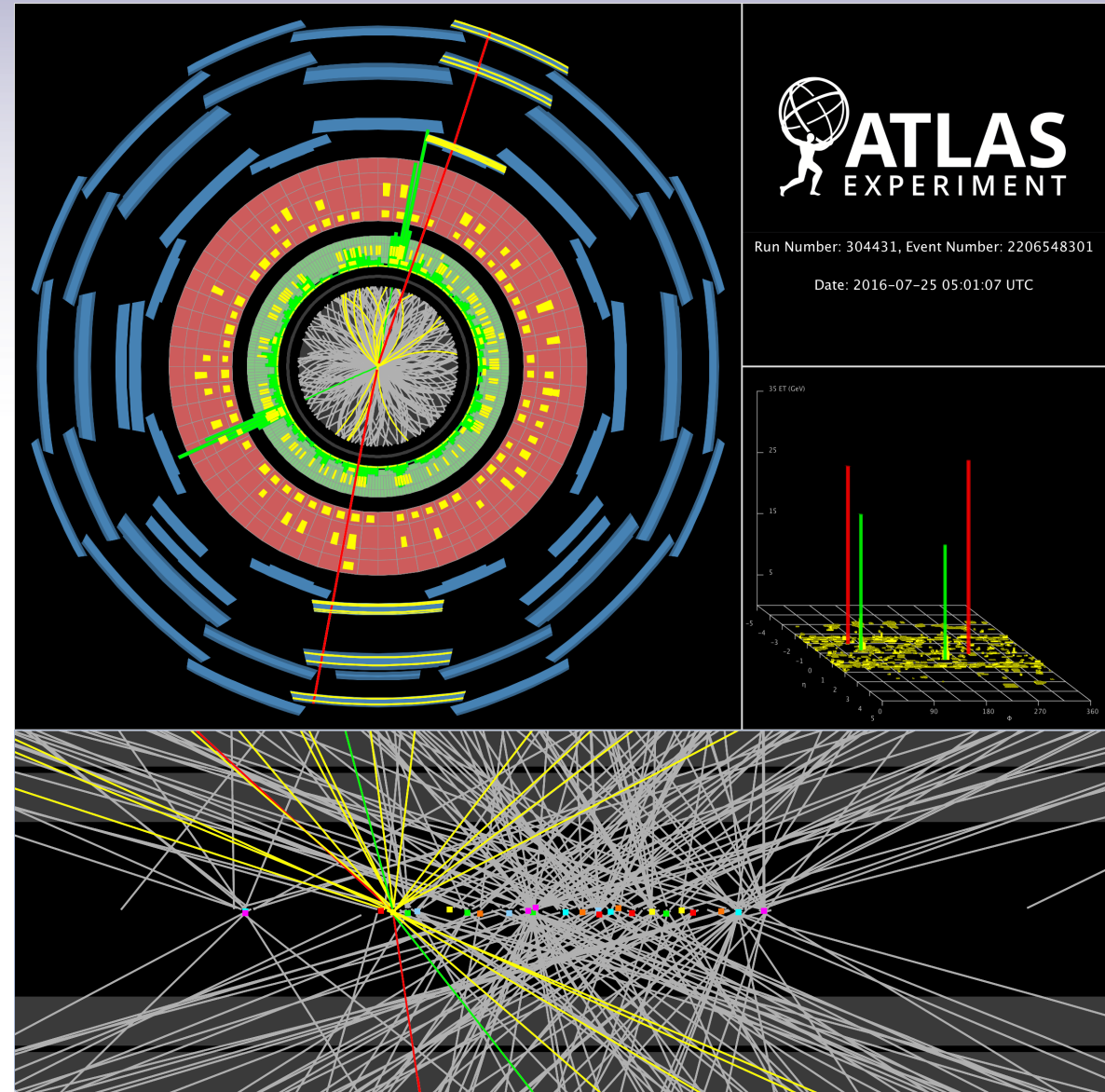
Beyond energy measurement





Higgs boson ($\rightarrow 2\mu 2e$) candidate at LHC

- 25 p+p collisions at the same time
 - Up to ~ 60 in Run-2, 200 in HL-LHC
- Another event coming in 25 ns



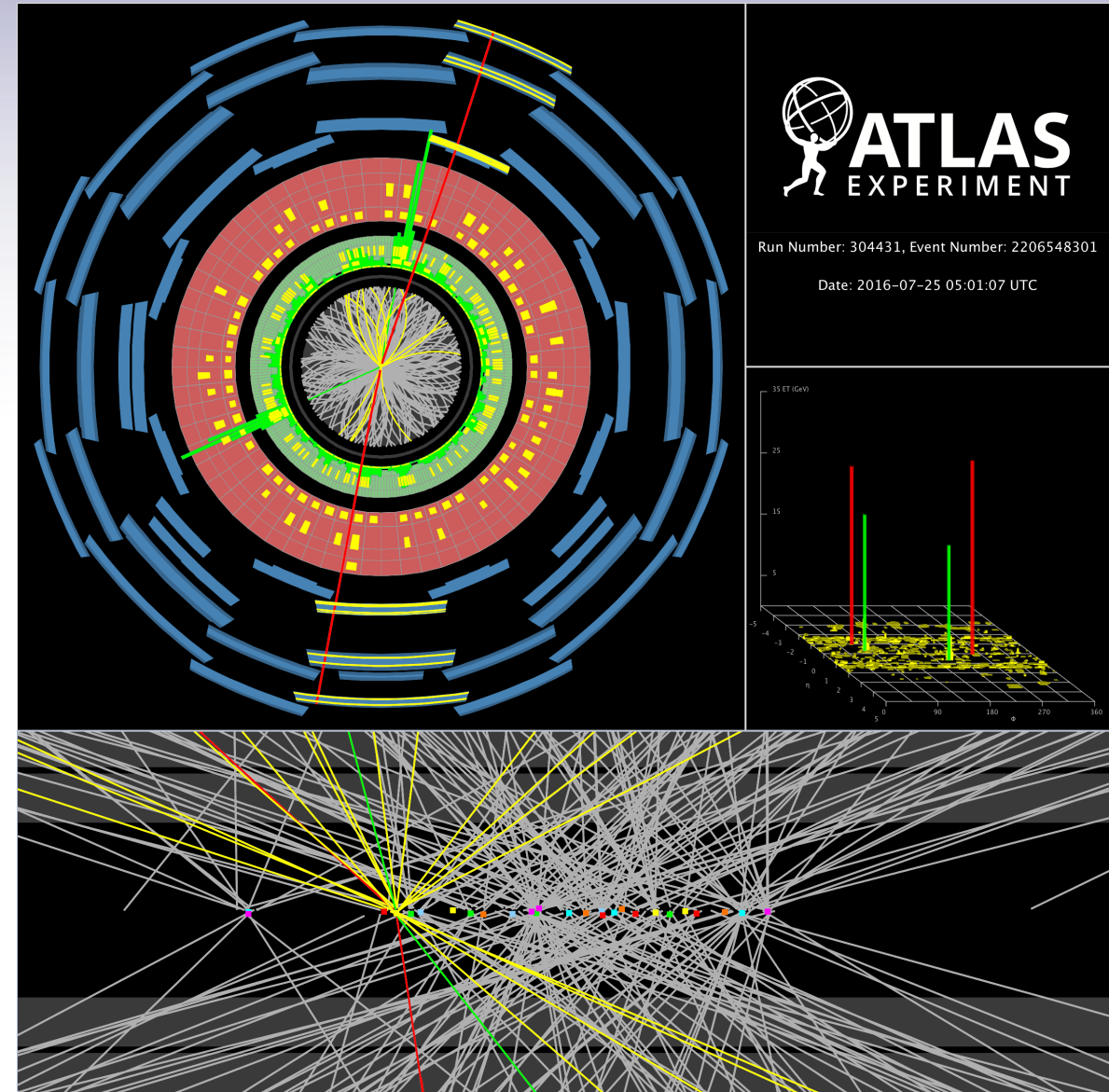


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Depending on the environment, calorimeters need or provide:

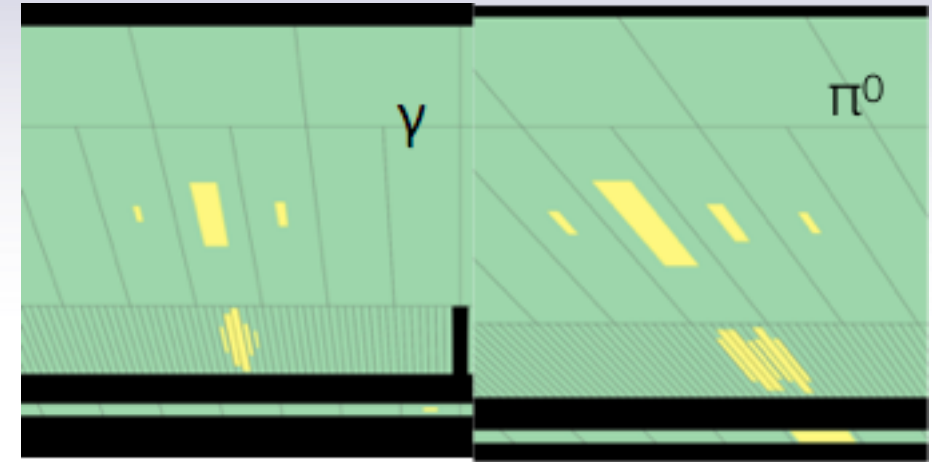
- High granularity, precise position measurements
- Fast signals, trigger and timing
- Particle identification
- Radiation hardness





Lateral and longitudinal segmentation

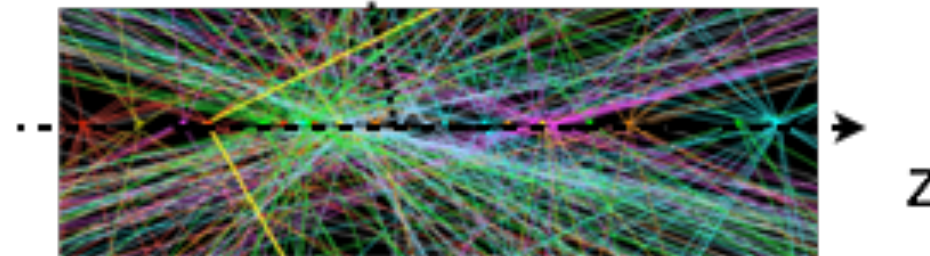
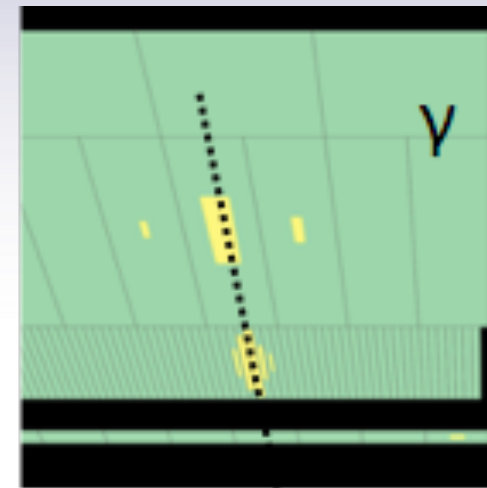
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Lateral and longitudinal segmentation

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- 3 layers in depth
 - Shower depth: improve energy resolution
 - γ direction and vertex ($H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$)

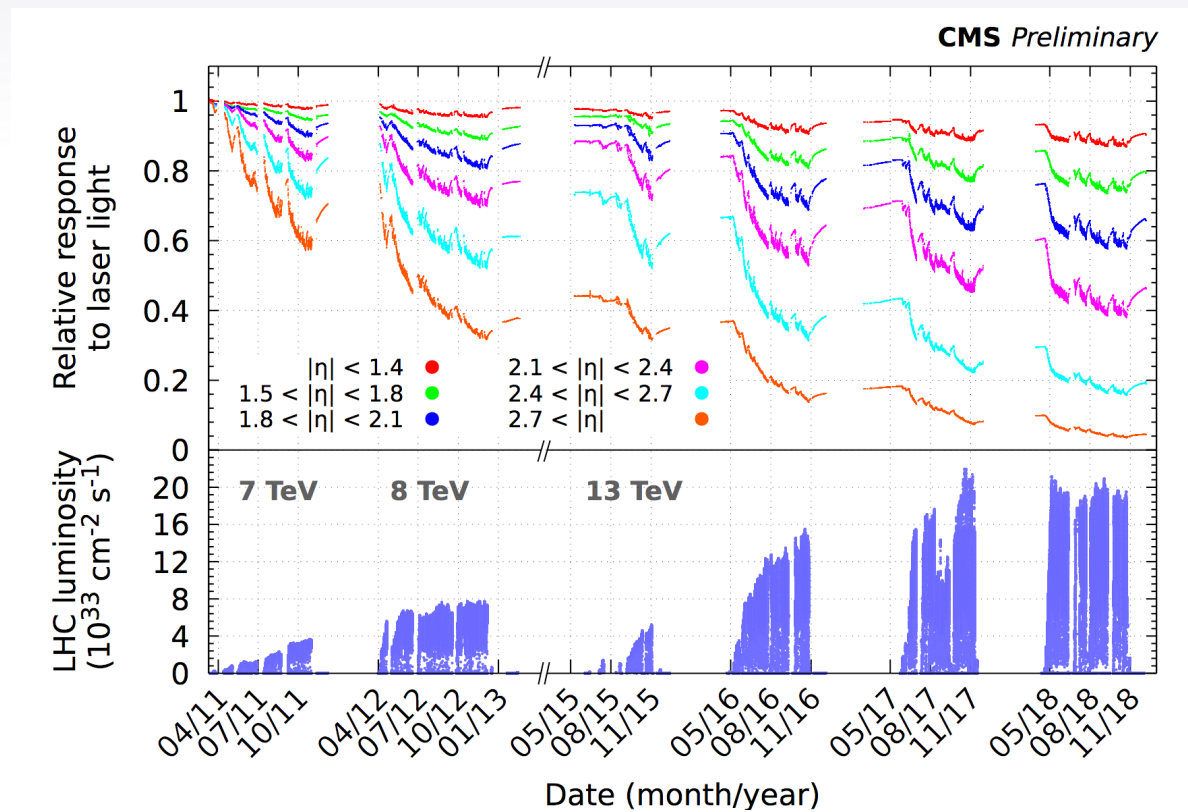




CMS ECal: transparency loss and laser monitoring

PbWO₄ crystal transparency affected by radiation

Laser light injected into every crystal during LHC abort gap @ 100 Hz

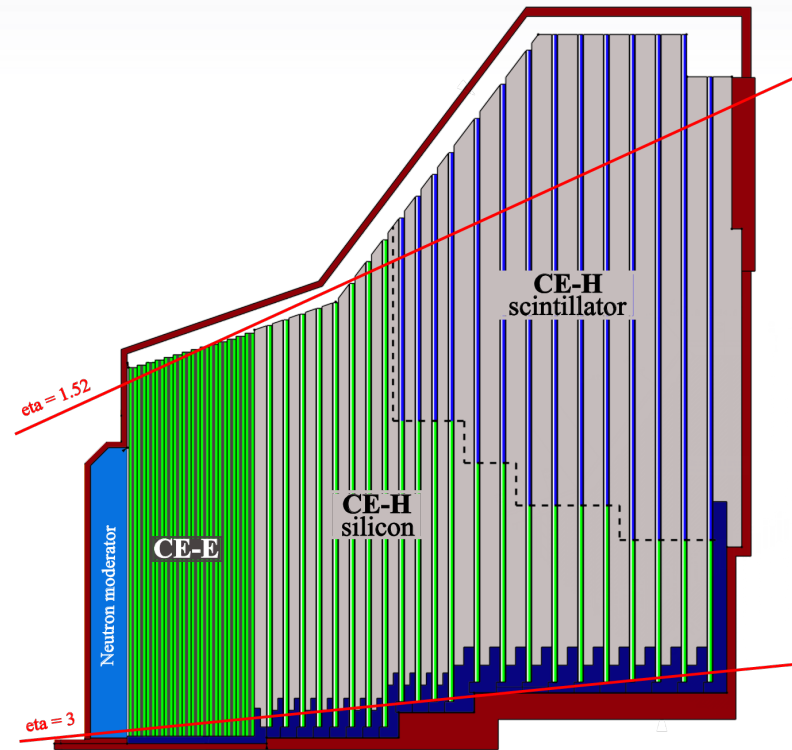
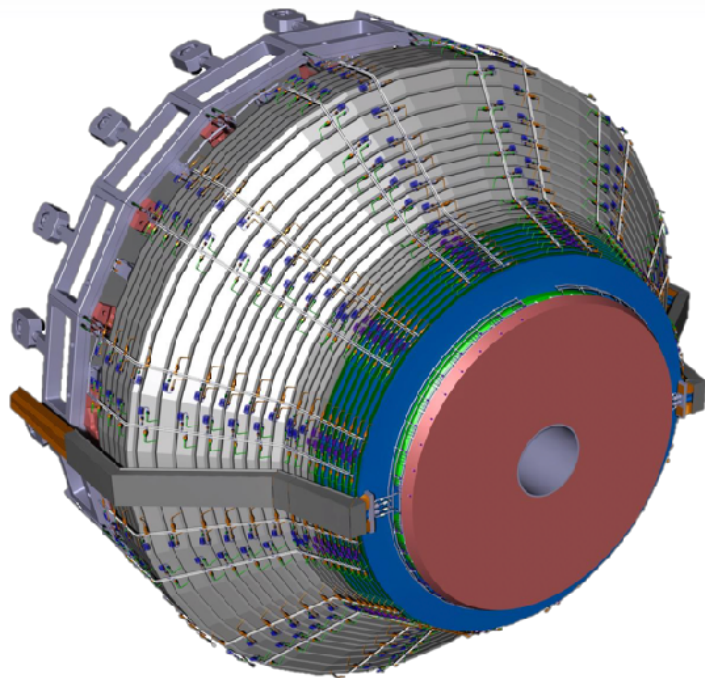




CMS HGCal for High-Luminosity LHC

Radiation hard detector measuring energy and time (down to 30 ps)

- **Silicon sensors** (6M channels) in ECAL and part of HCAL
- **Scintillating tiles + SiPM** readout in low-radiation region

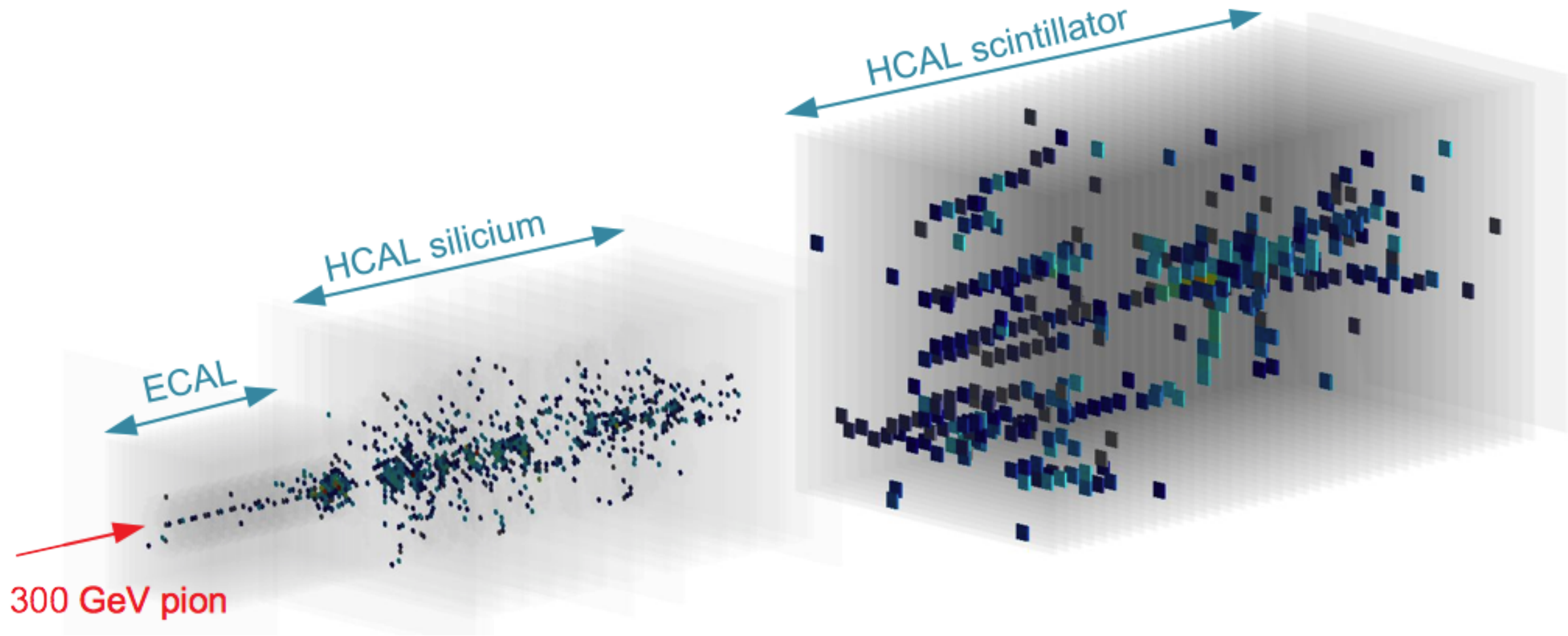


ECAL (CE-E):
28 layers, 25 X₀, 1.3 λ
Pb, Cu, CuW absorbers

HCAL (CE-H):
22 layers, 8.5 λ
Steel, Cu absorbers



CMS HGCal pion shower





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