

INTERACTION of PARTICLES and RADIATION with MATTER

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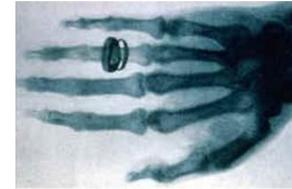
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- **INTRODUCTION**
- **PLAYGROUND**
- **HOW TO DETECT ?**
- **ELECTRO-MAGNETIC RADIATION**
- **MASSIVE PARTICLES**

- **X-rays** **1895** **Röntgen**
- **γ -rays** **1896** **Becquerel**
- **electron** **1897** **Thomson**
- **photon** **1905/1922** **Einstein/Compton**
- **nucleus** **1911** **Rutherford**
- **1922** **Stern, Gerlach 1922**
- **spin** **1925** **Pauli/Goudsmit, Uhlenbeck**
- **neutron** **1932** **Chadwick**
- **positron** **1932** **Anderson**
- ...

• **X-ray diagnosis** **1895**



• **γ -ray treatment** **1910**

• **materials research** **1912**

• **cancer treatment** **1954**

• **MRI** **1973/1977**

• **PET** **1975**

• ...

• **basic research** **2012 Higgs-boson**

? dark matter/energy

INTRODUCTION

PLAYERS in the SUB-ATOMIC WORLD

PLAYERS I: PARTICLES

particle

detector

registration

Light



Heavy



PARTICLES

What characterizes a particle?

mass

m includes $m = 0$

charge

Q

Spin *intrinsic angular momentum*

S \Leftrightarrow **magnetic moment μ**

life time

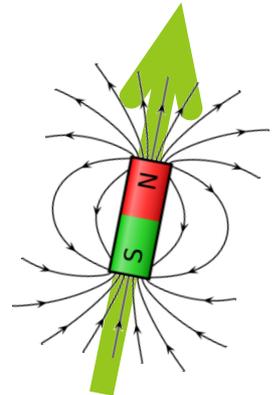
τ_0

size *for non elementary particles*

$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle}$ *root-mean square radius*

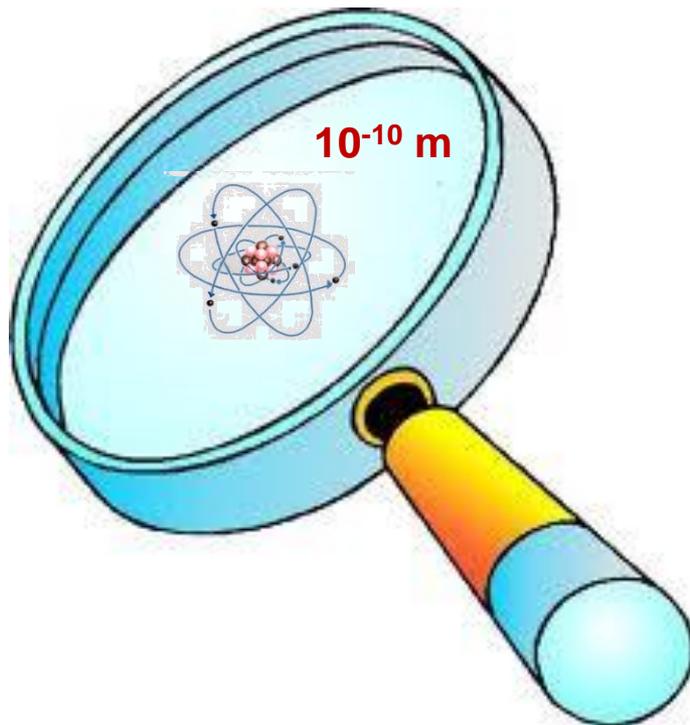
quantum mechanics

$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$ *matter waves (de Broglie 1922)*



PARTICLES in the year 1932

atoms



atomic shells

nucleus

| | electron e | proton p | neutron n |
|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Q | - 1 | + 1 | 0 |
| M | $M_p / 1836$ | M_p | $\approx M_p$ |
| S | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| size | $< 10^{-18} \text{ m}$ | $0.8 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ m}$ | |
| life time τ_0 | $> 10^{26} \text{ y}$ | $> 10^{29} \text{ y}$ | 886 s |
| decay | - | - | $n \rightarrow p e^- \bar{\nu}$ |

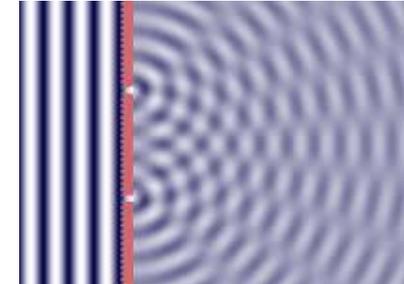
PARTICLES ...

new particles – unstable being free

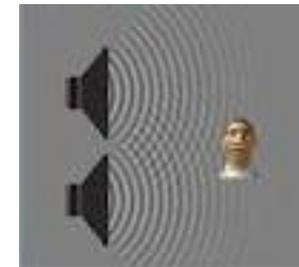
| | | pions | | kaons | | many more |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | π | | K | | ... |
| Q | | 0, ± 1 | | $2 \times 0, \pm 1$ | | |
| M | | $\approx M_p / 7$ | | $\approx M_p / 2$ | | |
| S | | 0 | | 0 | | $0, 1/2, 1, 3/2, 2, \dots$ |
| size | | $0.6 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ m}$ | | $0.6 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ m}$ | | |
| life time τ_0 | π^\pm | $26 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ s}$ | \mathbf{K}^\pm | $12 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ s}$ | | |
| | π^0 | $8 \cdot 10^{-17} \text{ s}$ | $\mathbf{K}^0_{S,L}$ | $9 \cdot 10^{-10} / 5 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ s}$ | | |
| decay | | $\pi^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu$ | | $\mathbf{K}^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu, \dots$ | | |
| | | $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ | | $\mathbf{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-, \pi^0 \pi^0, \dots$ | | |

PLAYERS II: WAVES

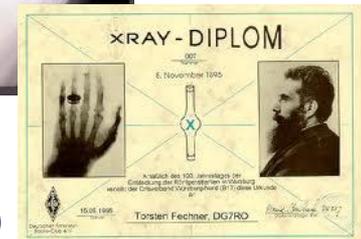
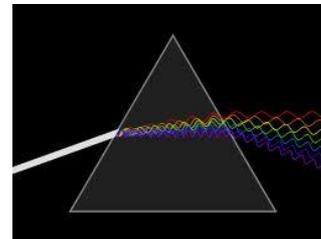
fluid



gas



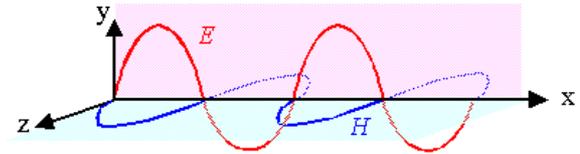
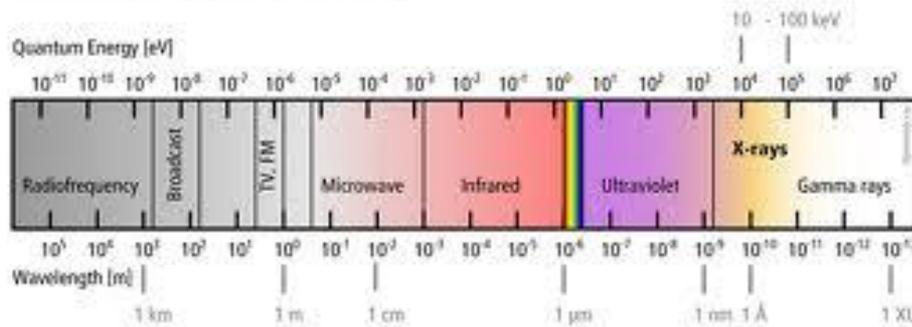
„light“



fundamental constant: $c = \text{speed of light in vacuum} (\approx 30 \text{ cm / ns})$

ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION

The Electromagnetic Spectrum



wave length λ

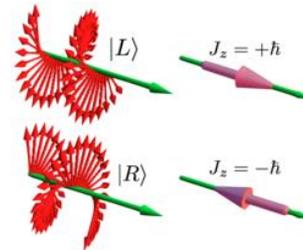
frequency ν

wave propagation velocity in vacuum $c = \lambda \nu$
“ “ “ in medium $c' = \lambda' \nu < c$
index of refraction $n = c / c'$

quantum mechanics: waves can be particles

Photon $S = 1$ $m = \pm 1, \underline{no} m = 0$

having energy $E = h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$



left/right circular polarization

(Einstein 1905)

COMPARISON

massive particles

el.-mag. radiation

| | | | |
|--------------|---|---|---|
| total energy | $\mathbf{E}_{\text{total}} = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 \mathbf{c}^2 + \mathbf{m}_0^2 \mathbf{c}^4}$ $= \gamma \mathbf{m}_0 \mathbf{c}^2$ $\mathbf{T}_{\text{kin}} = \mathbf{E}_{\text{total}} - \mathbf{m}_0 \mathbf{c}^2$ | $\mathbf{E}_{\text{total}} = \mathbf{p} \mathbf{c}$ $= \mathbf{h} \nu$ $= \hbar \omega$ | $c = h \nu$ <i>h Planck constant</i> <i>h = minimal action</i> ($\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}$) |
| rest mass | $m_0 \neq 0$ <i>range in matter</i> | $= 0$ <i>attenuation in matter</i> | |
| charge | $Q \neq 0$ <i>deflection in el.-mag fields</i> | $= 0$ <i>no deflection</i> | |
| life time | $\tau = \gamma \tau_0$ <i>decay length $l = v \tau$</i> | $= \infty$ | |

relativistic factor $\gamma \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}}, \quad \beta \equiv \frac{v}{c} = \frac{p}{E} \quad \lim_{v \rightarrow c} \gamma \rightarrow \infty$

PLAYGROUND

by means of „normal“ matter

ATOMS and NUCLEI I

Each substance is composed of chemical elements \equiv **basic set of atoms** (Dalton, ...)



1 Mol contains always the same number of particles $N_A = 6 \cdot 10^{23}$

The ratios of molar masses of the elements are almost ratios of integer numbers.

Atomic mass unit (a.m.u.)

$$1 \text{ a.m.u.} = \frac{m(^{12}\text{C}_{\text{atom}})}{12} = \frac{12 \text{ g}}{12 \cdot N_A} = 1.66 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

Periodic system of elements

Mendelejev: Ordering scheme according to chemical properties

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|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|--|----|--|
| H | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | He | |
| Li | Be | | | | | | | | | | | B | C | N | O | F | | | | Ne | |
| Na | Mg | | | | | | | | | | | Al | Si | P | S | Cl | | | | Ar | |
| K | Ca | Sc | Ti | V | Cr | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Ga | Ge | As | Se | Br | | | | Kr | |
| Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Tc | Ru | Rh | Pd | Ag | Cd | In | Sn | Sb | Te | I | | | | Xe | |
| Cs | Ba | | Hf | Ta | W | Re | Os | Ir | Pt | Au | Hg | Tl | Pb | Bi | Po | At | | | | Rn | |
| Fr | Ra | | Rf | Db | Sg | Bh | Hs | Mt | ... | ... | ... | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | La | Ce | Pr | Nd | Pm | Sm | Eu | Gd | Tb | Dy | Ho | Er | Tm | Yb | Lu | | | | |
| | | | Ac | Th | Pa | U | Np | Pu | Am | Cm | Bk | Cf | Es | Fm | Md | No | Lr | | | | |



ATOMS and NUCLEI II

Discovery of the electron (J.J. Thomson 1897)

Interpretation of the rays accompanying gas discharges:

Kathode rays: Electrons (negatively charged and light)

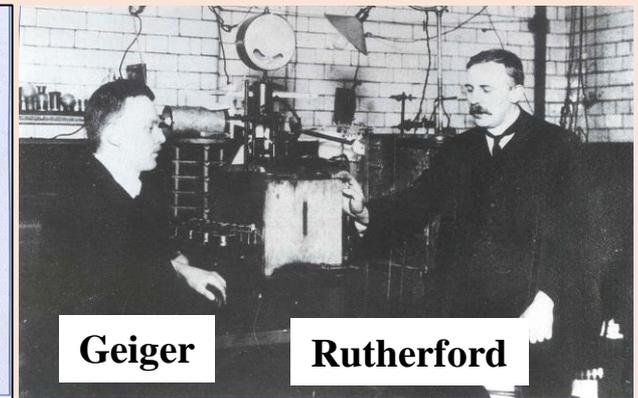
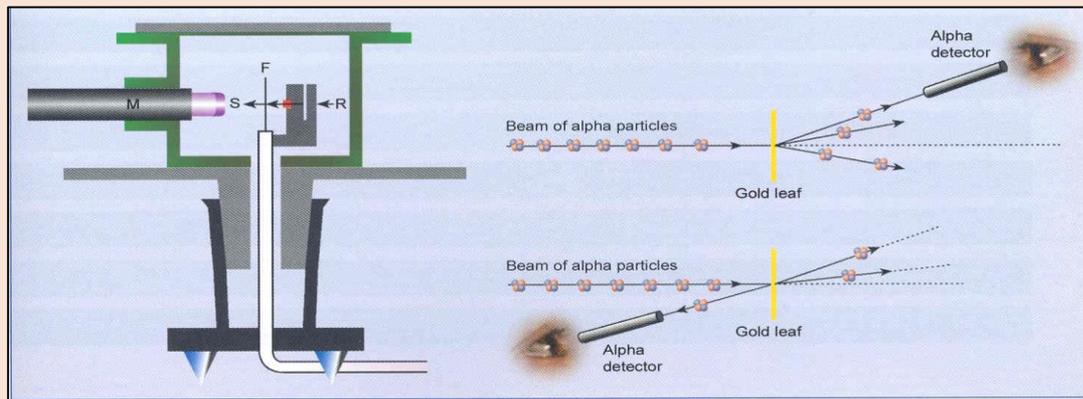
Channel rays: Ions (positively charged and heavy)

$$m_e = \frac{1}{1836} \cdot m_u, \quad q_e = -e$$

Discovery of the atomic nucleus (Geiger & Rutherford 1911)

Almost the full mass of an atom of diameter $\sim 10^{-10}$ m is concentrated in a tiny volume of radius $\sim 10^{-15}$ m

Proof: Collision kinematics – backscattering only from heavy collision partners



Geiger

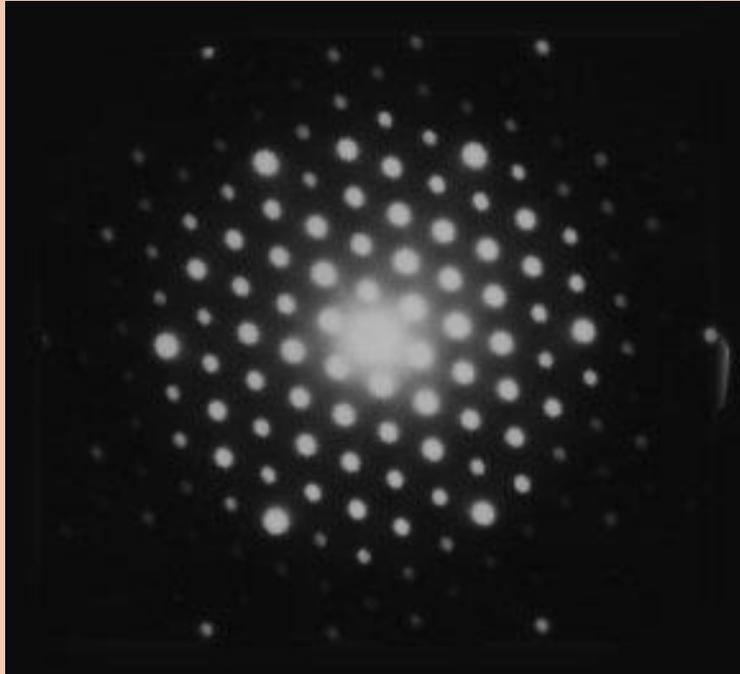
Rutherford

\Rightarrow total atom is electrical neutral: Atomic nucleus - electric charge $+ Z q_e$ Z positive integer
Atomic shell - electric charge $- Z q_e$

DUALISM

electrons

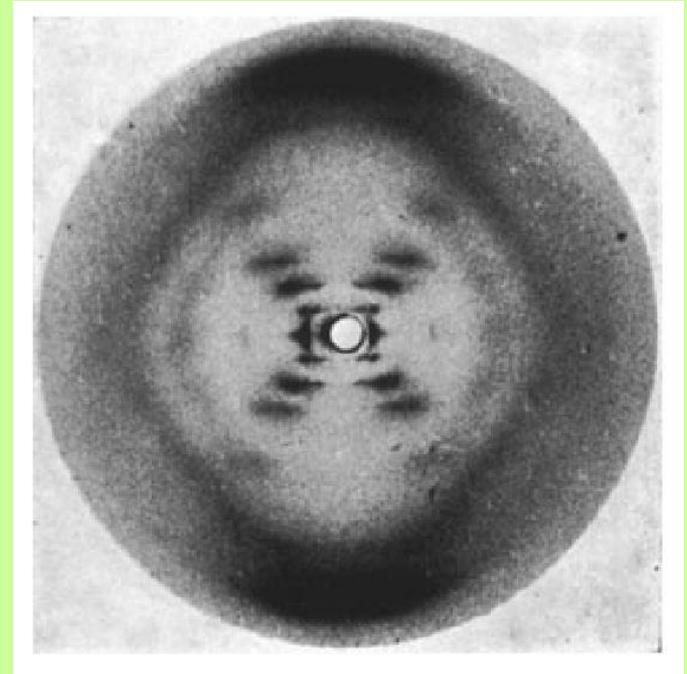
$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$



crystal lattice fcc

X-rays

$$E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$$



DNA photo 51 Rosalind Franklin

ATOMS and NUCLEI III

Bohr-Sommerfeld model of atoms

main quantum number $n = 1, 2, \dots$

“main shell”

angular momentum $l = 0, \dots, n-1$

„sub-shell“

magnetic quantum number $m = -l, -l+1, \dots, l-1, l$

$(2l + 1)$ possible orientations of angular momentum vector
in external field

intrinsic electron spin $S = \frac{1}{2}$

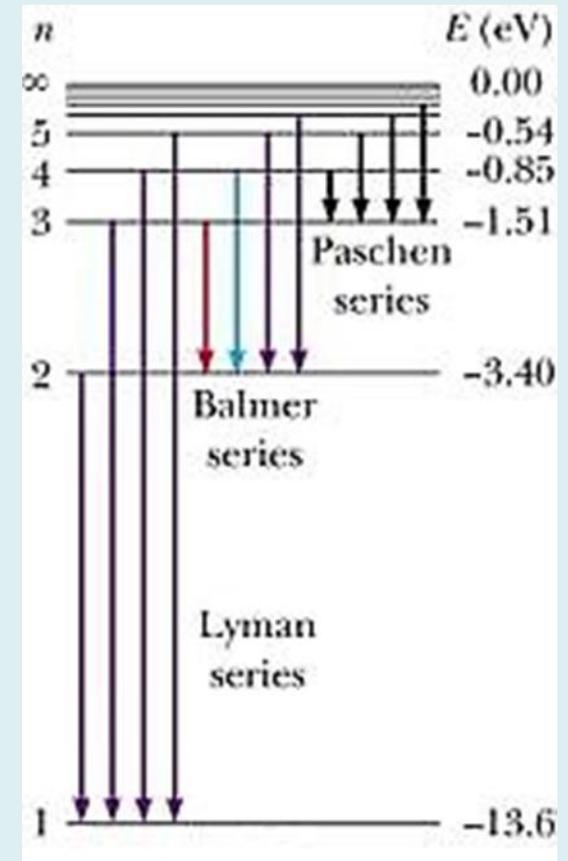
intrinsic angular momentum

2 possible orientations of spin vector in external field $S = \pm \frac{1}{2}$

total spin: $\vec{j} = \vec{l} + \vec{S}$ $|\vec{j}| = \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, \dots$

l and S are measured in units \hbar

main shells for $Z = 1$ (H)



ATOMS and NUCLEI IV

$S = \frac{1}{2}$ particles are called *fermions*

Pauli principle:

Only one fermion is allowed in a particular quantum state: For atoms = (n, ℓ, m, S)

\Rightarrow maximum no. of electrons per sub-shell: $2 \cdot (2\ell + 1)$

Periodic system of elements

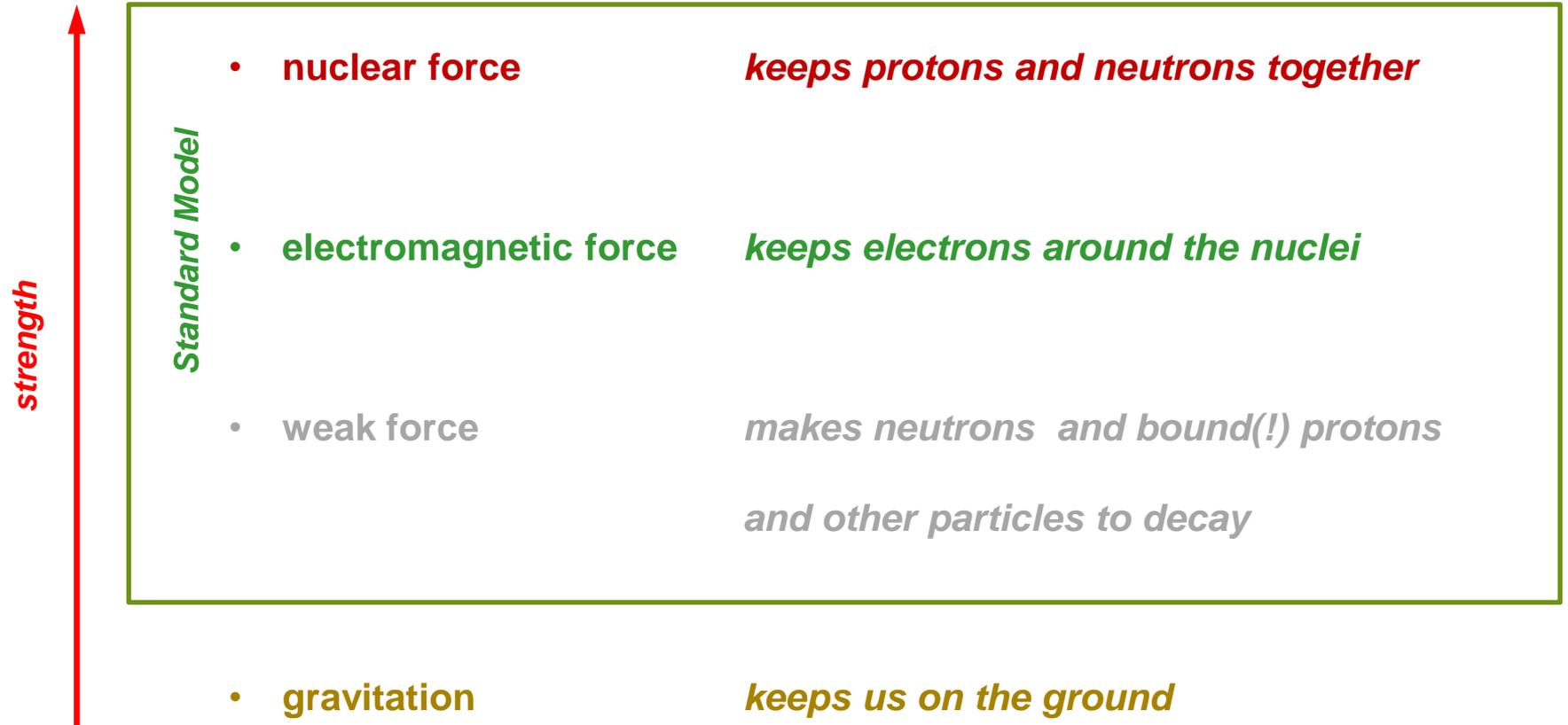
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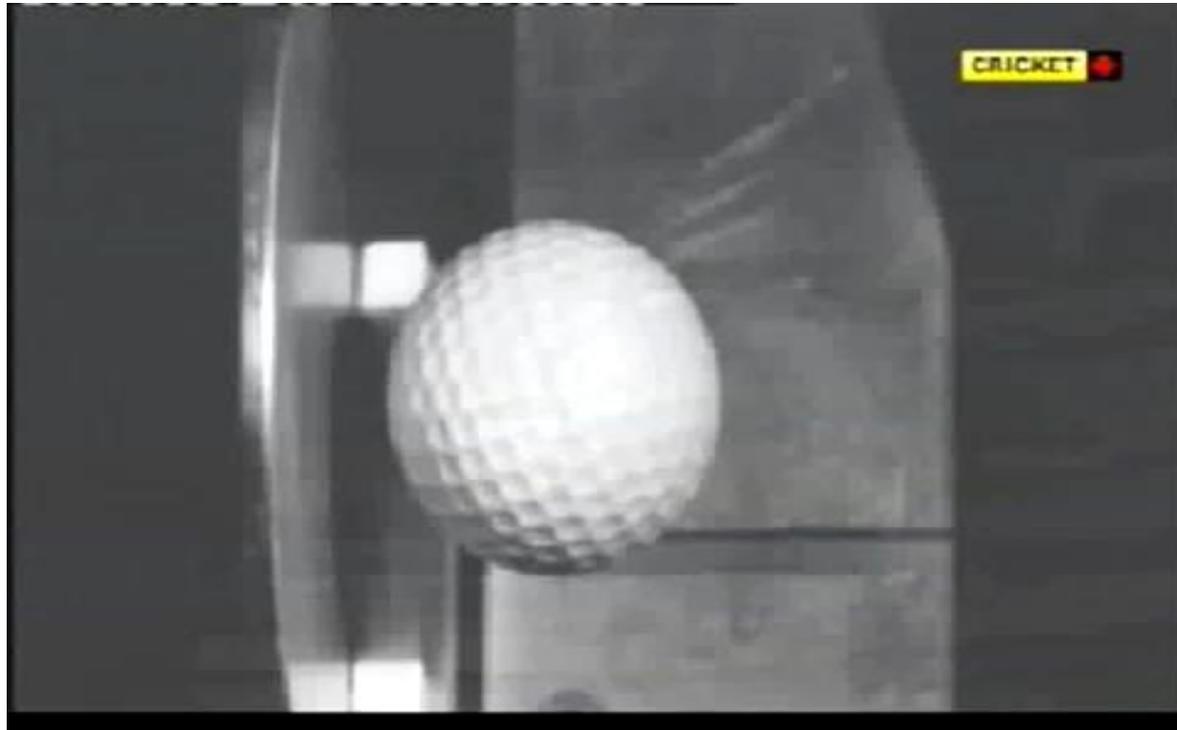
$A(Z,N) + Ze^-$

*outmost
incomplete
shell
determines
chemistry*

FORCES



INTERATOMIC (ELECTRIC) FORCES



HOW TO DETECT ?

„via“ electric force !

SIGNAL CREATION



- access via **electric charges**
- produced in elementary processes with **atoms** and **nuclei**

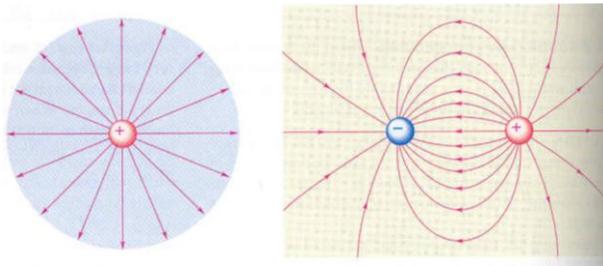
EL.-MAG. INTERACTION I - ELECTRIC FORCE

the force is mediated in the

classical picture

by field around a source

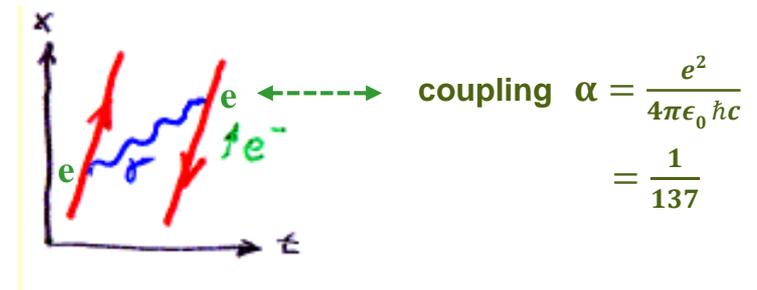
$$\mathbf{F}_{\text{Coulomb}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{r^2}$$



quantum world

field quanta = „virtual“ particles

„light“ particles = photons γ



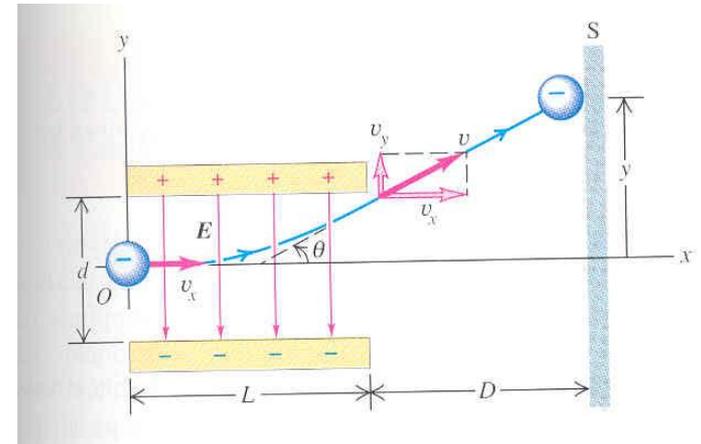
electromagnetic radiation = E and B fields interact with electric charges

EL.-MAG. INTERACTION II - CHARGES in EL.-MAG. FIELDS

- electric field

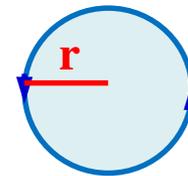
$$\vec{F} = m\ddot{\vec{x}} = Q \cdot \vec{E}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Q}{M}$$



- magnetic field

$$\vec{F} = m\ddot{\vec{x}} = Q \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$



$B = \text{const.}$

\Rightarrow circular motion

$B \perp$ plane of projection

$$\omega = \frac{Q}{M} B \quad \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$\Rightarrow p$$

$$mv^2 / r = Q \cdot v \cdot B$$

$$p = Q \cdot B \cdot r$$

INTERACTION OF
ELECTRO – MAGNETIC RADIATION

elastic

SCATTERING

inelastic



PHOTO EFFECT

COMPTON EFFECT

PAIR PRODUCTION

BREMSSTRAHLUNG

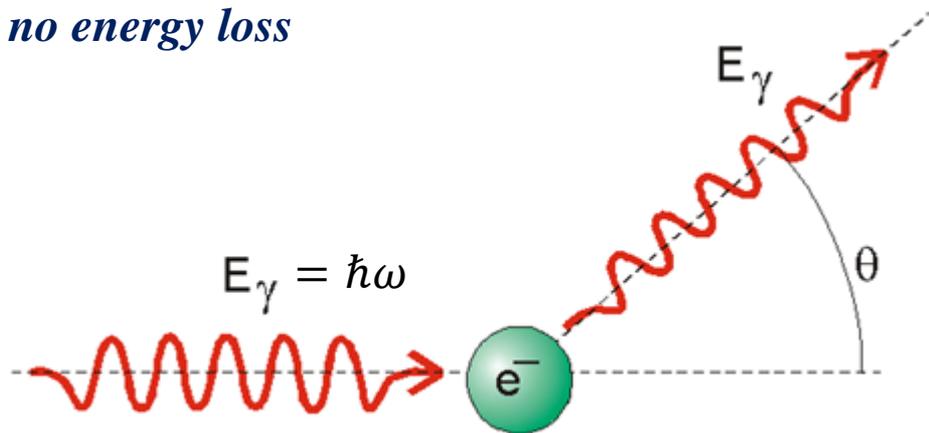
EXAMPLES

THOMSON SCATTERING

elastic scattering of el.-mag. waves at a free charges = electron, ...

independent of wave length λ

no energy loss



application: plasma diagnosis, polarization of CMB, ...

$$\sigma_{Th} = \frac{8\pi}{3} \cdot r_e^2$$
$$\cong \frac{2}{3} \text{ barn}$$

$$\sigma_{Th,atom} = Z \cdot \sigma_{Th}$$

deviates from experiment

$$r_e = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 m_e c^2}$$

$$= \alpha \cdot \frac{\hbar c}{m_e c^2}$$

$$= 2.82 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ m}$$

RAYLEIGH SCATTERING

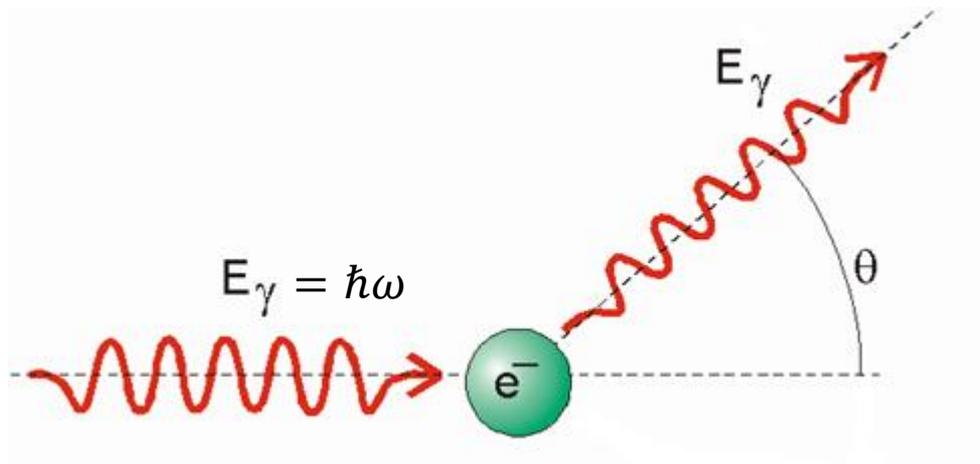
elastic scattering of el.-mag. waves at polarisable scattering centers = atoms, molecules

damped oscillation of „elastically“ bound electrons

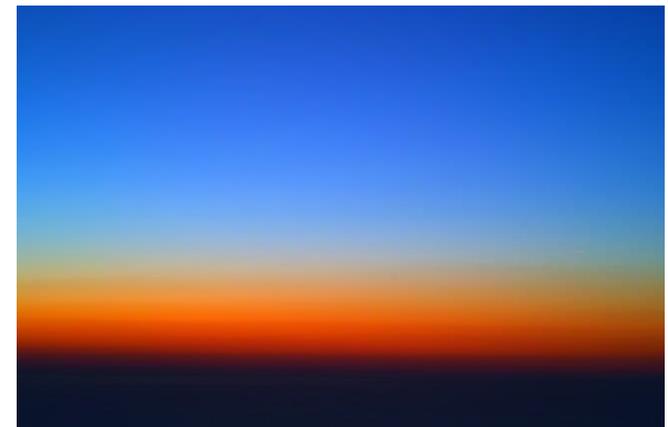
eigen frequency ω_0 of bound system

no energy loss

$$\sigma_R = \sigma_{Th} \cdot \frac{\omega^4}{(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2} \cdot Z^2$$



$\omega \ll \omega_0$ makes the sky blue / sunset red



application: combustion diagnosis, holidays, ...

PHOTO EFFECT

requires particle nature of „light“ Einstein 1905

$$\sigma_{2K} = \sigma_{Th} \cdot 4\sqrt{2}\alpha^4 \cdot Z^{4-5} \cdot \epsilon_\gamma^{-7/2}$$

$$\epsilon_\gamma = \frac{h\nu}{m_e c^2}$$

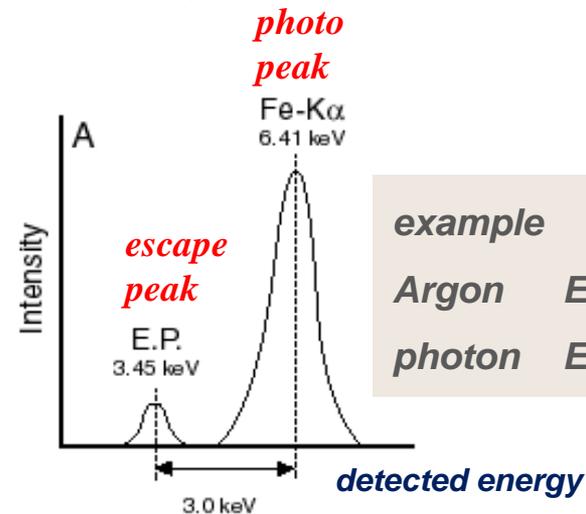
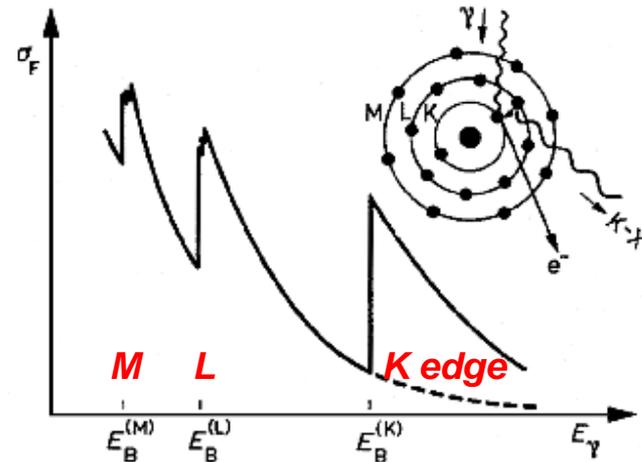
1. photon disappears
photo electron $E_e = E_{\text{photon}} - E_B$
2. refilling of hole in electron shell by
 - a) emission of photon or
 - b) Auger electron emission of loosely bound outer electron

$$E_{\text{Auger}} \cong E_B$$

detected energy E

photo peak $E = E_{\text{photon}}$
 $= E_e + E_B$

escape peak $E = E_{\text{photon}} - E_{K\alpha}$



example

Argon $E_{K\alpha} = 2.96 \text{ keV}$

photon $E_{\text{photon}} = 6.41 \text{ keV}$

COMPTON EFFECT

proof of particle nature of „light“ Compton 1922

billard with photons and „quasifree“ electrons

$$\sigma_C \approx \sigma_{Th} \cdot (1 - 2\varepsilon\gamma + \dots) \cdot Z \quad \varepsilon_\gamma \ll 1$$

$$\approx \sigma_{Th} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdot \left(\frac{1 + 2 \ln \varepsilon\gamma}{2\varepsilon\gamma} + \dots \right) \cdot Z \quad \varepsilon_\gamma \gg 1$$

complicated QED calculation Klein&Nishina 1929

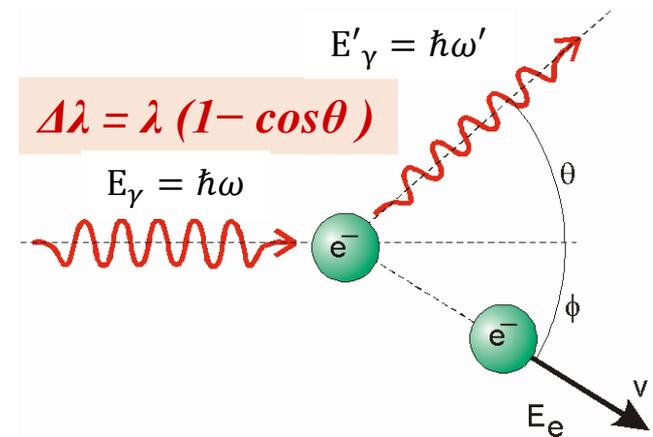
photon does not disappear

recoil electron

$$E_e = E_{\text{photon}} - E'_{\text{photon}}$$

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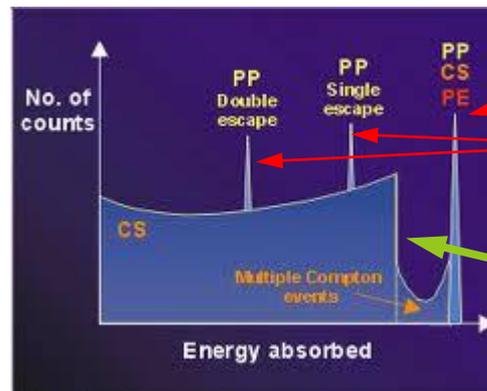
continuous spectrum



detected energy E

= absorbed energy E_e

we neglect E_B of the electron and E_{recoil} of the nucleus because usually $E_B, E_{recoil} \ll E_e$



escape peaks

Compton edge = maximum energy transfer

PAIR PRODUCTION

proof of mass-energy equivalence Blackett 1948

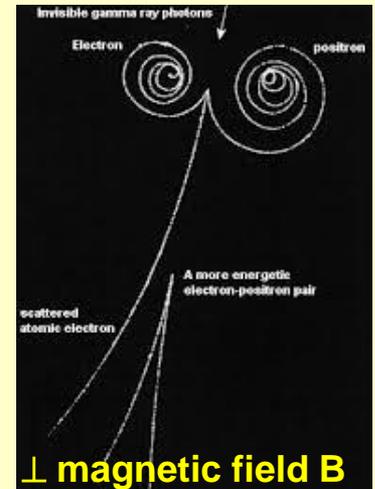
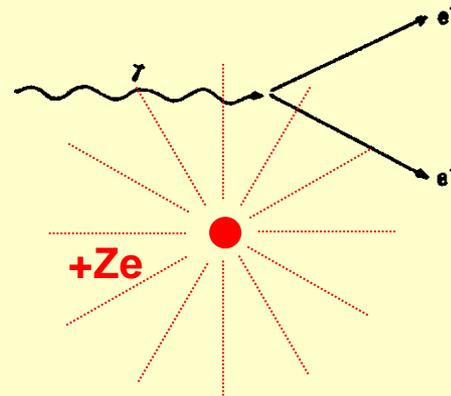
$$\sigma_{pair} \approx \sigma_{Th} \cdot Z^2 \cdot (\ln 2\epsilon\gamma + \dots) \quad \epsilon\gamma \gg 1$$

conversion of energy into matter

$$E_{\text{photon}} = h\nu > 2 m_{\text{electron, muon, pion, ...}}$$

a recoil partner (e.g. a nucleus) is needed to fulfil energy and momentum conservation

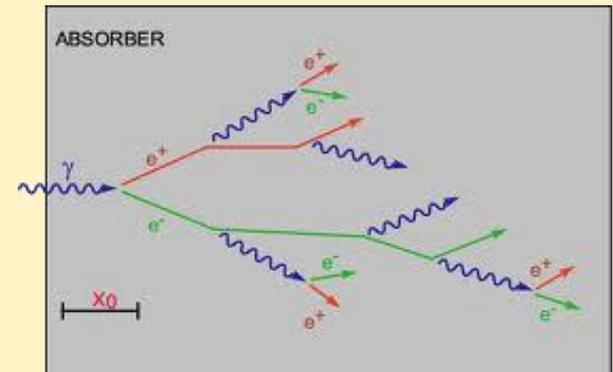
$$\begin{aligned} e^+e^- \text{ threshold: } m_{\text{recoil}} &= \infty & h\nu &= 2 m_e c^2 \\ &= m_e & &= 4 m_e c^2 \end{aligned}$$



el.-mag. shower

$e^+ e^- \gamma$ - cascade
pair production and bremsstrahlung alternate
shower may start with photon or electron

radiation length X_0
characteristic material dependent constant
depth, where about 2/3 (1/e) of the incident energy is converted



BREMSSTRAHLUNG

accelerated charged particles radiate Hertz 1886

electromagnetic waves

$$\sigma_b \approx \sigma_{Th} \cdot Z^2 \cdot [\text{energy dependent}]$$

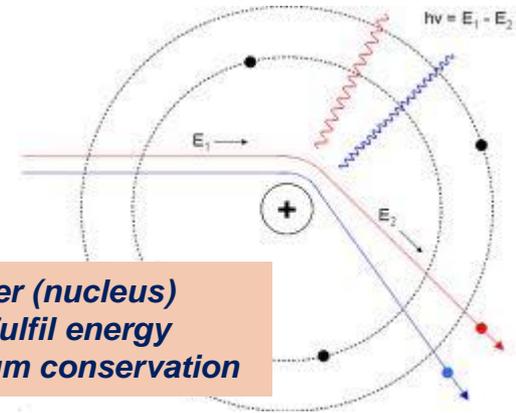
bending force by Coulomb potential

force \Leftrightarrow acceleration

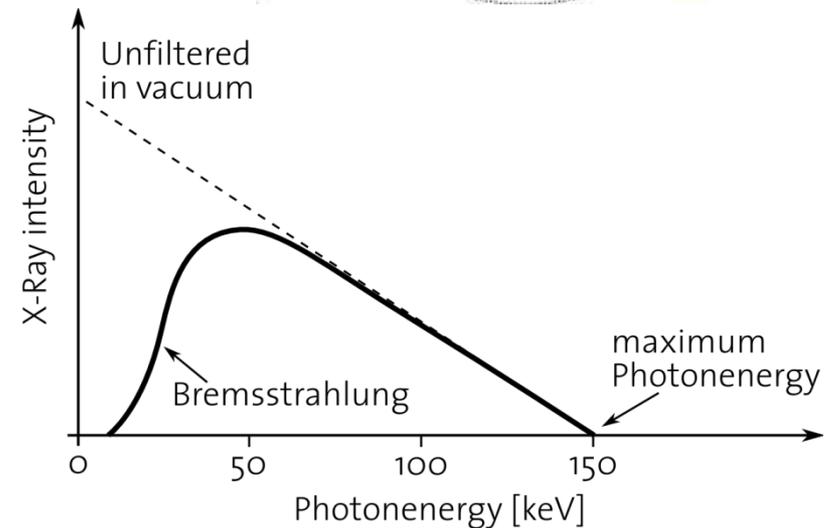
$$F_{\text{Coulomb}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q_{\text{particle}} \cdot Q_{\text{nucleus}}}{r^2}$$
$$= m \cdot \ddot{r}$$

any distance r

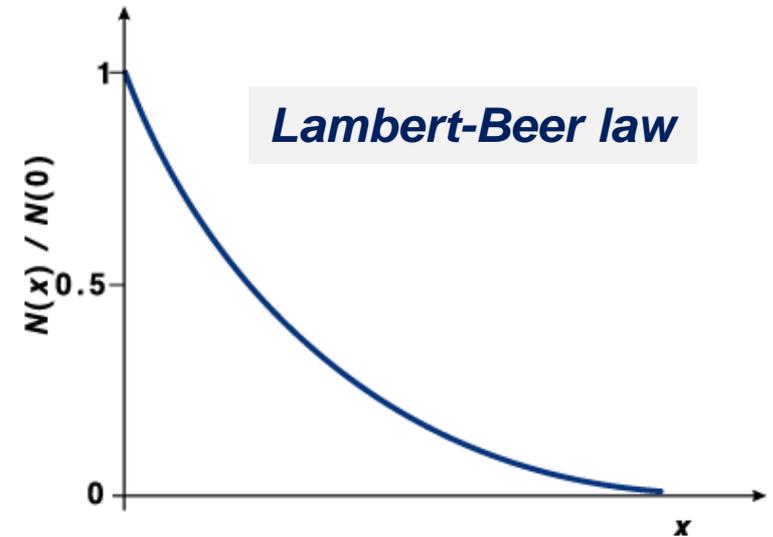
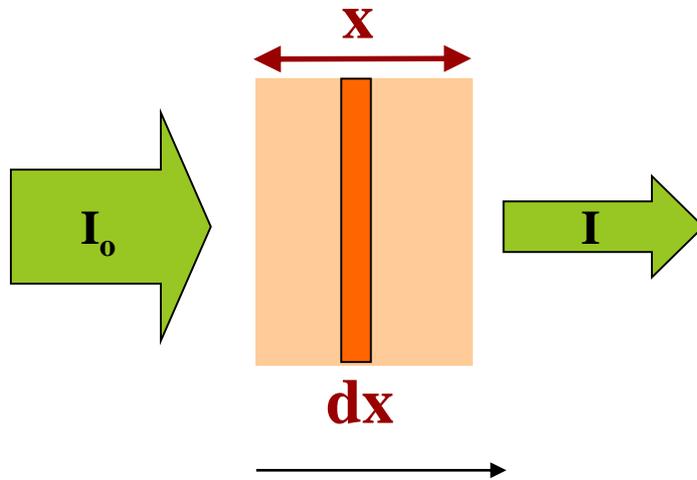
\Rightarrow *continuous spectrum*



a recoil partner (nucleus) is needed to fulfil energy and momentum conservation



ATTENUATION



$$I(x) = I_0 e^{-\mu(h\nu)x} \quad \text{intensity after layer thickness } x$$

$$\frac{I_T(x)}{I_0} = e^{-\mu(h\nu)x} \quad \text{fraction of transmission}$$

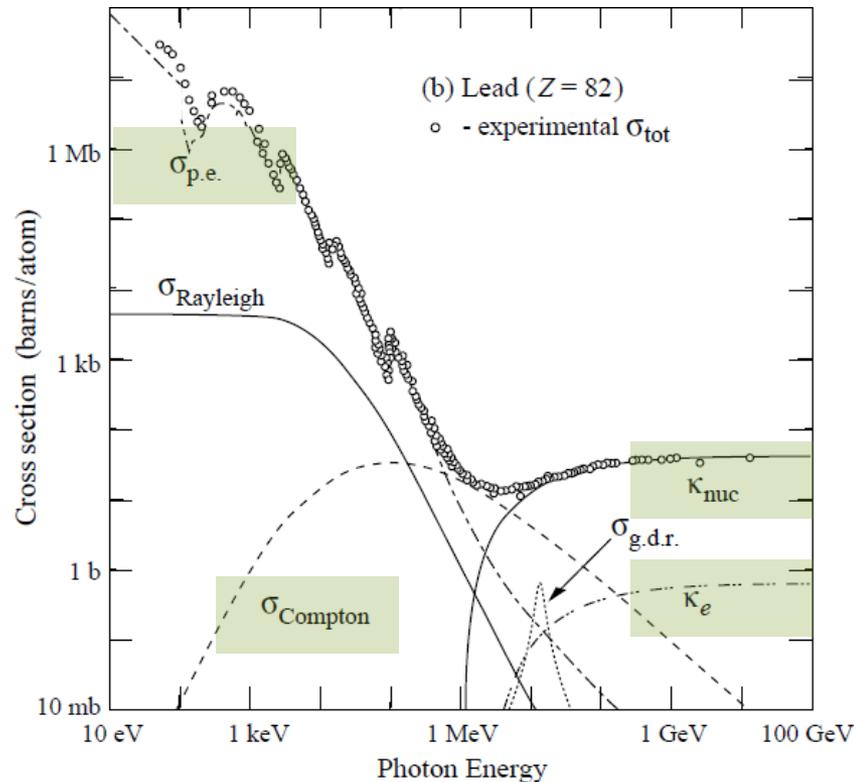
$$\frac{I_A(x)}{I_0} = 1 - e^{-\mu(h\nu)x} \quad \text{fraction of absorption}$$

sum of linear attenuation coeff.

$$\mu(h\nu) = \sum_i \mu_i(h\nu)$$

$$\mu_i = \rho \cdot \frac{N_A}{A} \cdot \sigma_i(h\nu)$$

CROSS SECTIONS SUMMARY



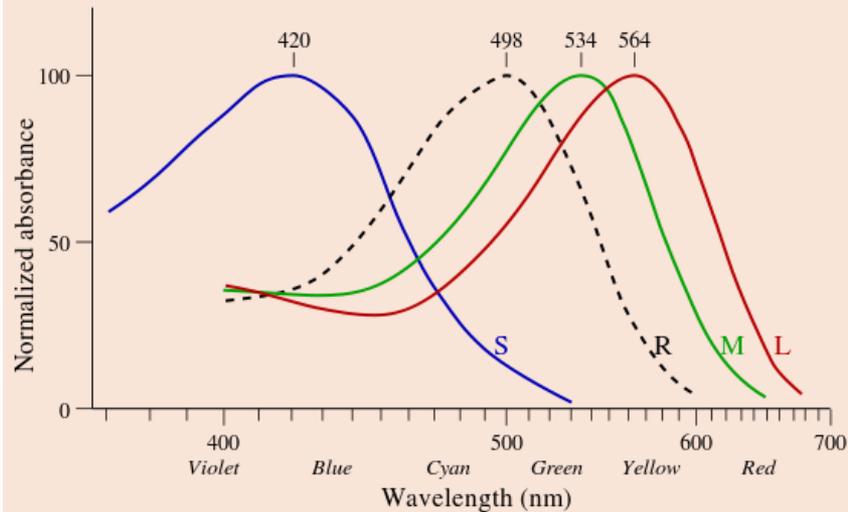
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- $\sigma_{\text{p.e.}}$ = Atomic photoelectric effect (electron ejection, photon absorption)
- σ_{Rayleigh} = Rayleigh (coherent) scattering—atom neither ionized nor excited
- σ_{Compton} = Incoherent scattering (Compton scattering off an electron)
- κ_{nuc} = Pair production, nuclear field
- κ_e = Pair production, electron field
- $\sigma_{\text{g.d.r.}}$ = Photonuclear interactions,

EXCITATION - RESPONSE of EYE CELLS

sensitivity

1 photon



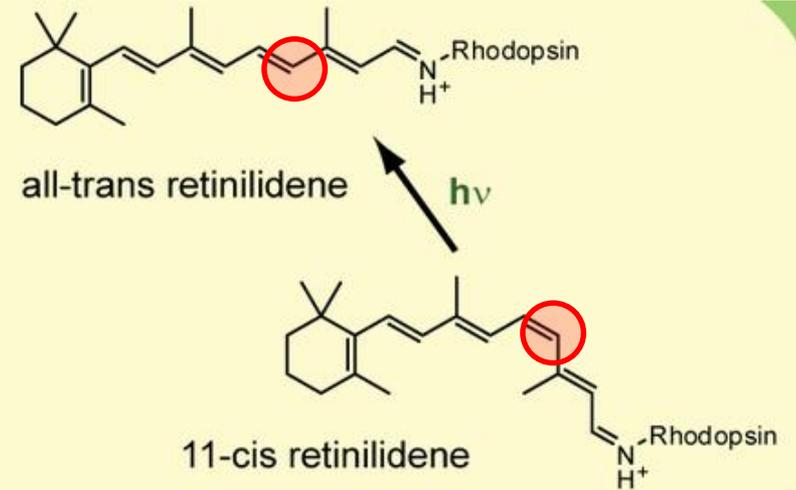
cone cells



rod cells

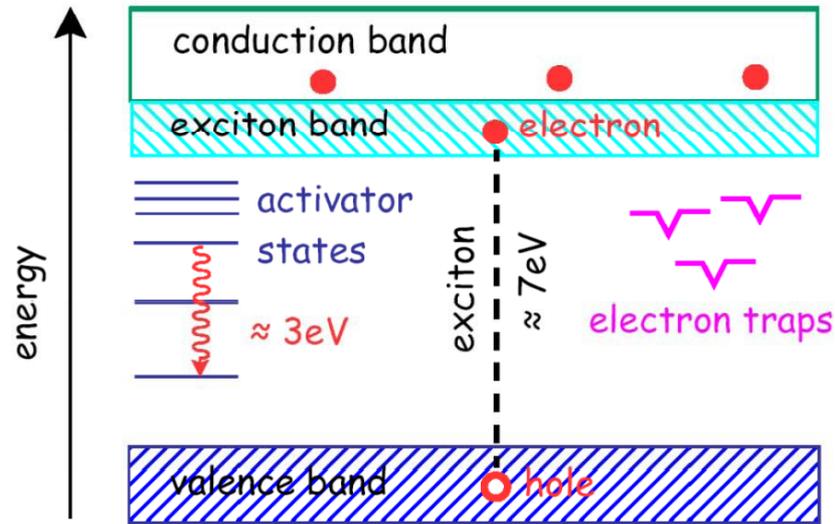
sensitivity

100 photons



cis – trans transition
of various opsin (protein) molecules

EXCITATION - SCINTILLATORS produce "LIGHT"

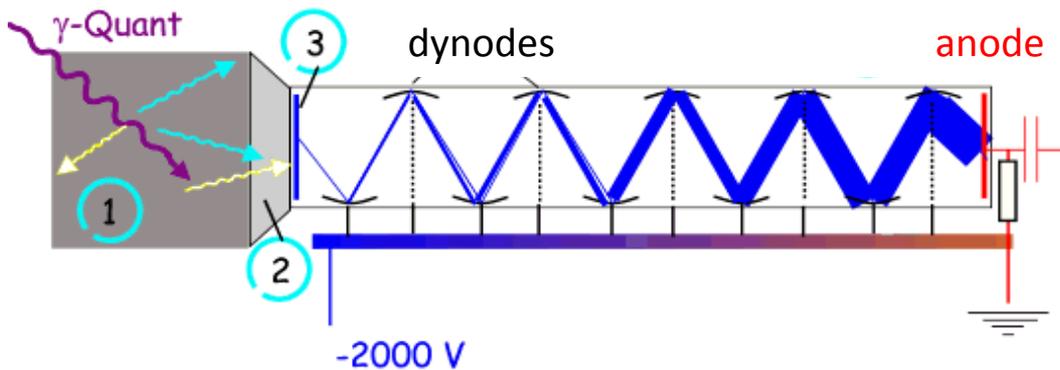


⇒ ionisation caused by **charged particles** or **light**
 excitation and delayed light emission
 usually in the UV range

scintillators ①

inorganic NaI(Tl), CsI, BaF₂, ...

organic doped „plastics“



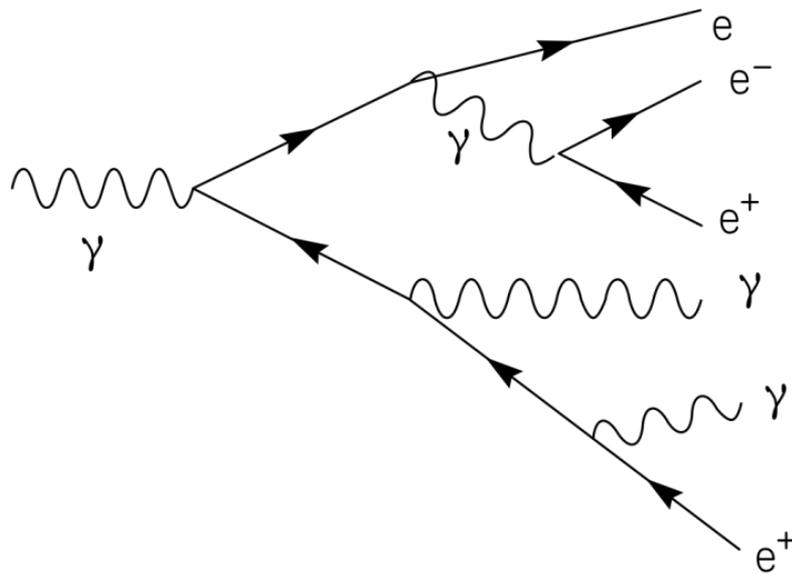
② light coupling

UV light is converted to charge
 at a photo cathode ③ and
 multiplied by a multi stage (dynodes)
 photo „multiplier“

EL.-MAG. SHOWER

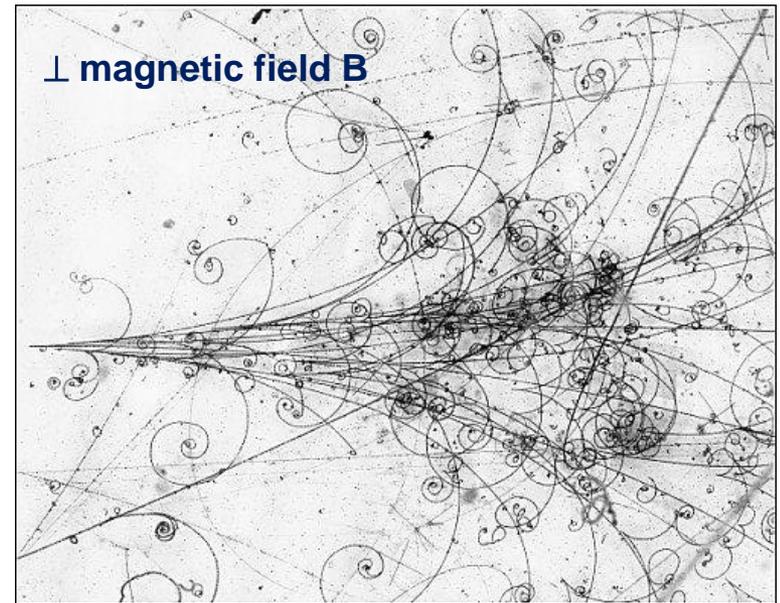
alternating pair production & bremsstrahlung

initial particle of minor importance for large energies



radiation length X_0

characteristic quantity of *absorber*



$$E_\gamma = E_{initial} \cdot e^{-(x/X_0)}$$

INTERACTION OF
MASSIVE PARTICLES

CHARGED PARTICLES : ENERGY LOSS BY IONIZATION

HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES

LIGHT CHARGED PARTICLES

CHARGED PARTICLES : ENERGY LOSS BY RADIATION

NEUTRONS

CHARGED PARTICLES

interaction happens by collisions of particles type 1 and 2

before

after collision

1. $M_{\text{particle 1}} \gg M_{\text{particle 2}}$



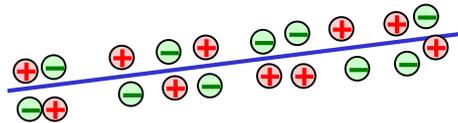
2. $M_{\text{particle 1}} = M_{\text{particle 2}}$



CHARGED PARTICLES - ENERGY LOSS by IONIZATION

collisions create electron- ion pairs

1. **heavy** $M_{\text{particle}} \gg M_{\text{electron}}$
e.g. protons, deuterons, ...



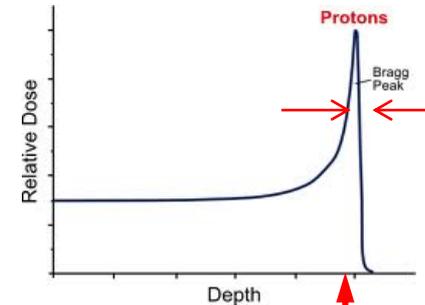
strongly ionising

2. **light** $M_{\text{particle}} = M_{\text{electron}}$
electrons or positrons



weakly ionising

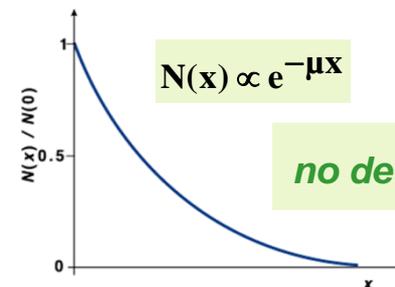
Bragg peak



$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = 1 - 3\%$$

for all elements

well defined range R!

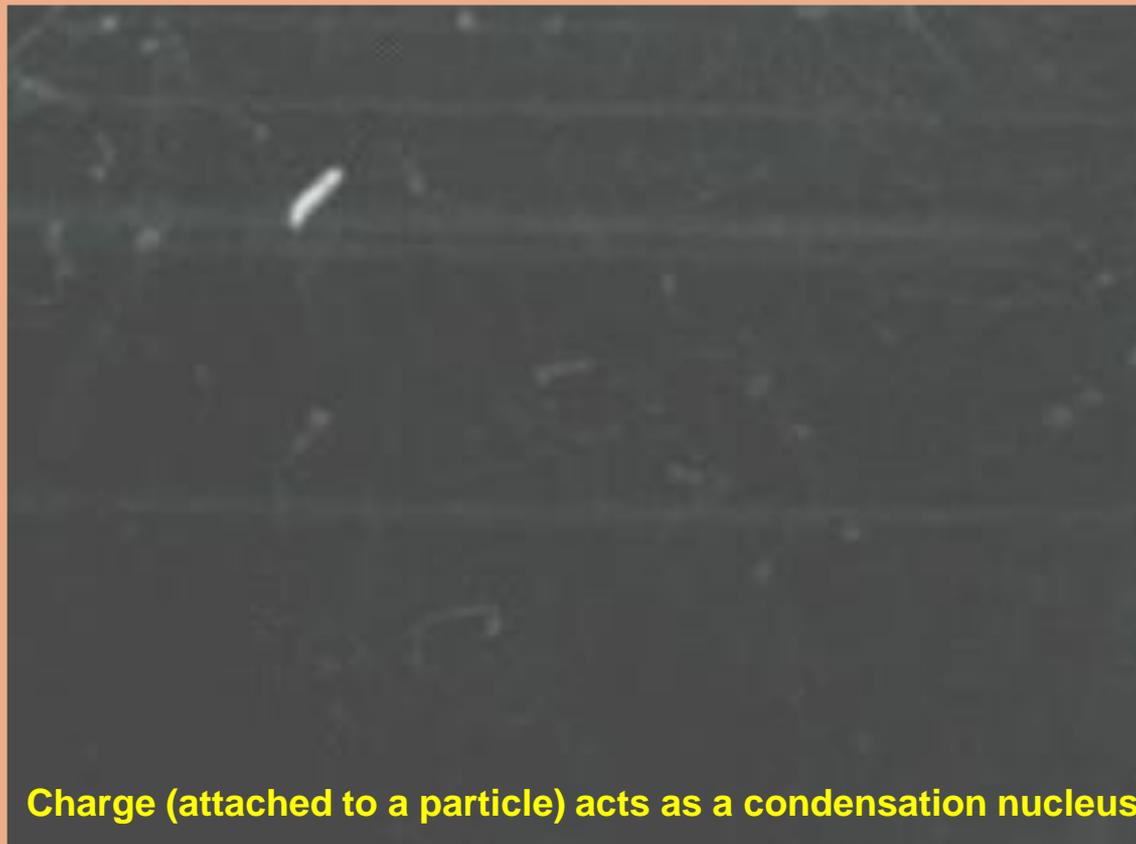
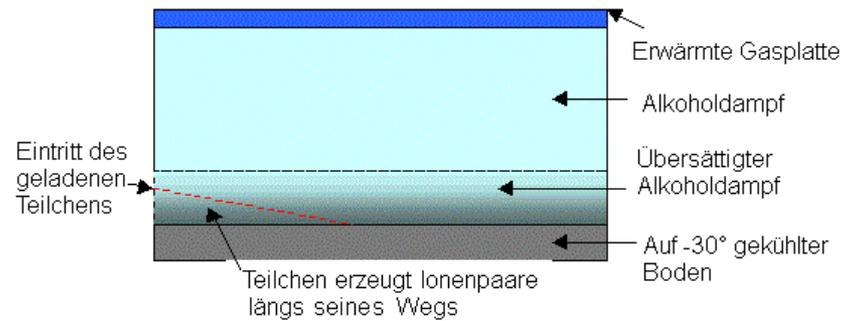


no defined range R!

exponential attenuation with depth x

μ : material dependent attenuation coefficient

Cloud chamber (Wilson 1922)



Charge (attached to a particle) acts as a condensation nucleus

***INTERACTION OF
HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES
WITH MATTER***

HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES - STOPPING POWER I

heavy particles μ, π, K, p, d, \dots

$\beta < \alpha \approx \beta_{\text{valence electron}}$

$\alpha < \beta < 0.1$ β_{electron} neglected

$\beta \approx 0.7$

$\beta \approx 1 - 10^{-7}$

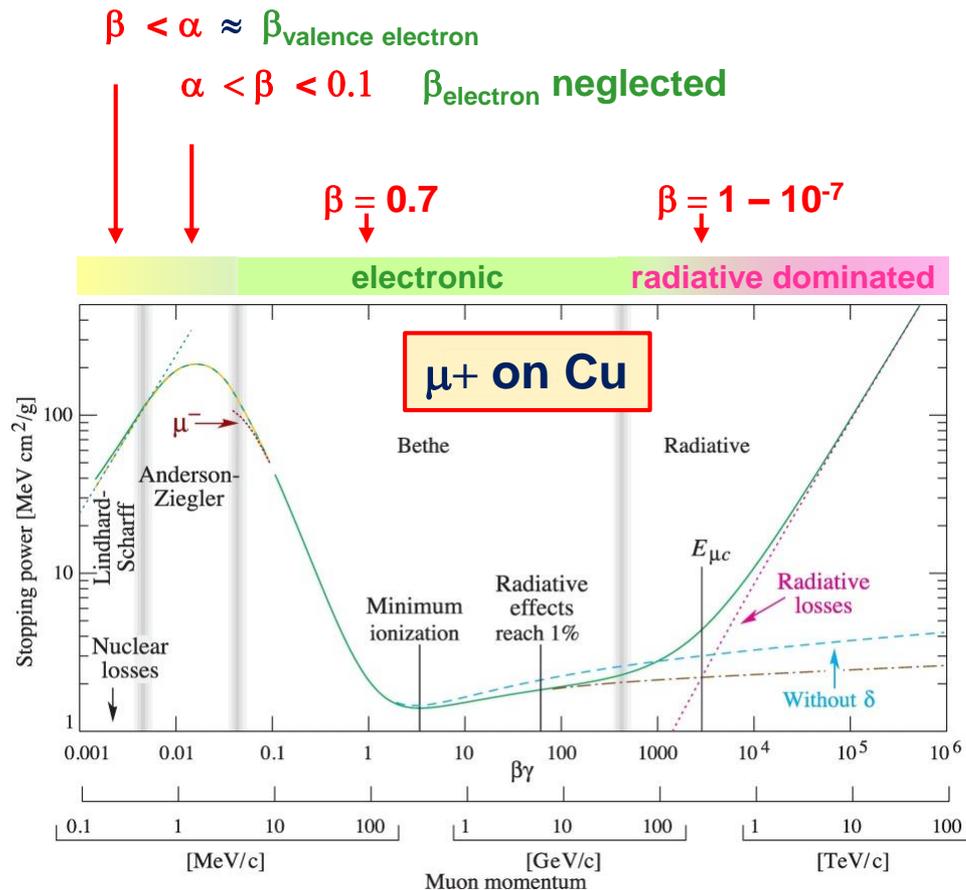
electronic

radiative dominated

stopping power

$$S = \left(- \frac{dE}{dx} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{\rho}$$

[MeV · cm²/g]



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HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES - STOPPING POWER II

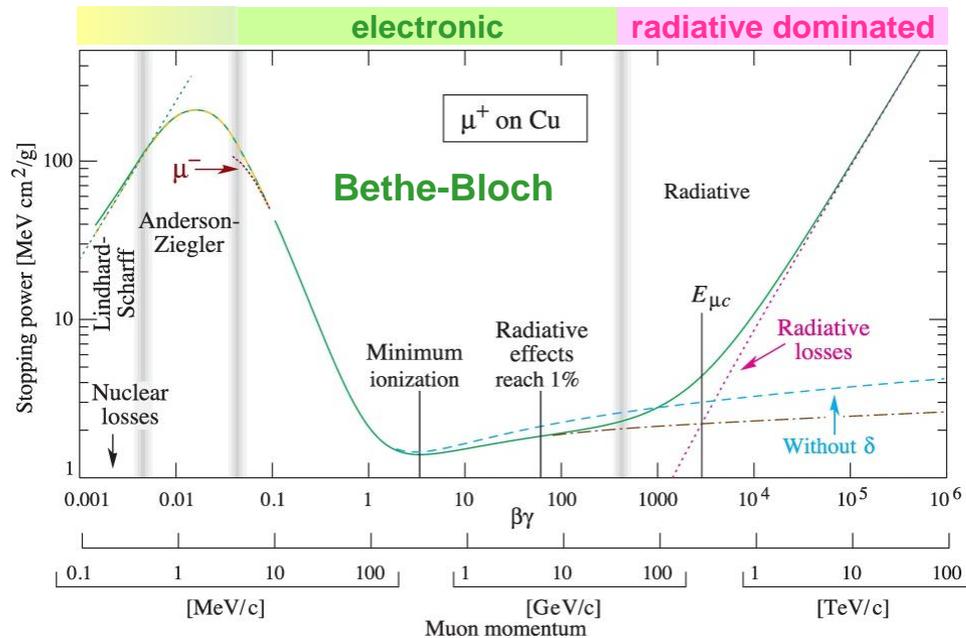
Bethe-Bloch range

$\alpha < \beta < 0.1$: β_{electron} neglected

stopping power

$$S = \left(-\frac{dE}{dx} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{\rho}$$

[MeV · cm²/g]



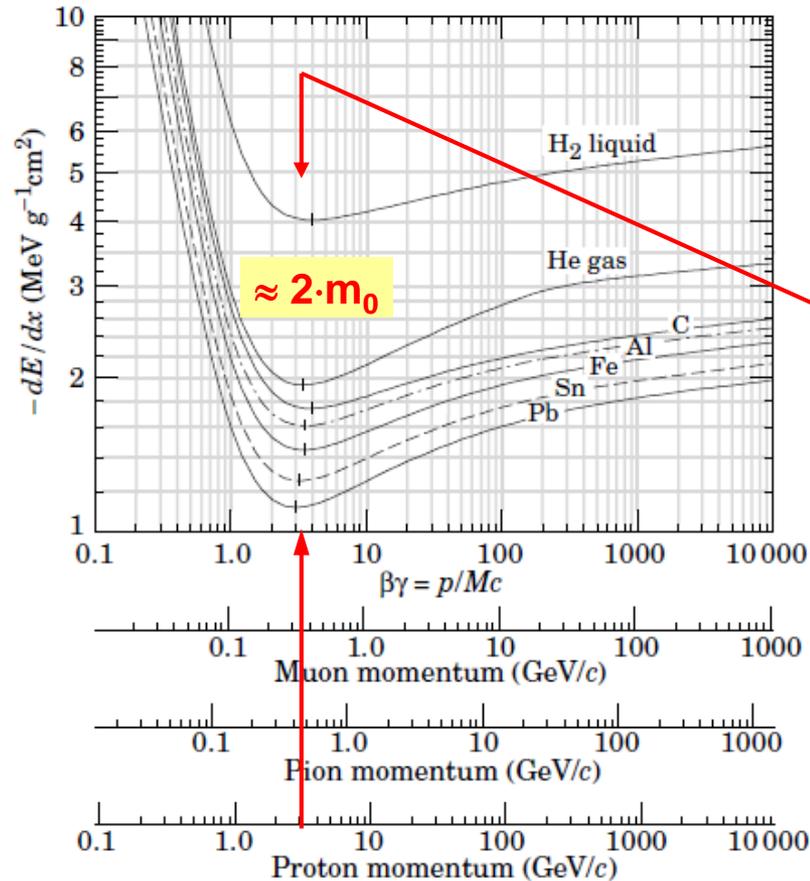
C₀ shell corrections for low energies

$$S = 4\pi N_A r_e^2 m_e c^2 \frac{Z_{\text{target}}}{A} \cdot \frac{z^2_{\text{projectile}}}{\beta^2} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_e^{\text{max}}}{I^2} \right) - \beta^2 - \frac{C_0(\beta^2)}{Z_{\text{target}}} - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$

HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES - STOPPING POWER III

Bethe-Bloch range

$$\left(\frac{\Delta E}{\Delta x} \right)_{\text{collision}} \propto \frac{1}{v^2} \dots$$



MIPs = minimum ionising particles

$$\left(-\frac{dE}{dx} \right)_{\min} = 4 \text{ MeV g}^{-1} \text{cm}^2 \quad \text{for } A = 1$$

$$\left(-\frac{dE}{dx} \right)_{\min} = 1 - 2 \text{ MeV g}^{-1} \text{cm}^2 \quad \text{for } A > 1$$

at $\beta\gamma = 3 - 3.5$ or $T_{\min} = 2.2 - 2.6 m_0 c^2$

Figure 30.2: Mean energy loss rate in liquid (bubble chamber) hydrogen, gaseous helium, carbon, aluminum, iron, tin, and lead. Radiative effects, relevant for muons and pions, are not included. These become significant for muons in iron for $\beta\gamma \gtrsim 1000$, and at lower momenta for muons in higher- Z absorbers. See Fig. 30.23.

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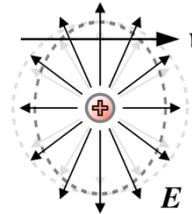
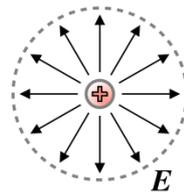
HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES - STOPPING POWER IV

„LHC“ range

radiative losses

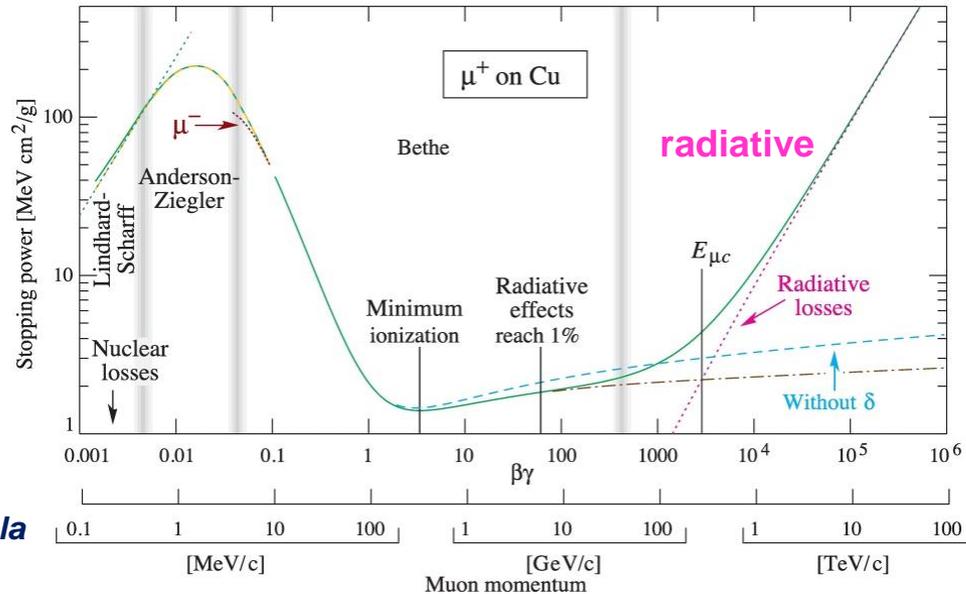
- bremsstrahlung
- pair production e^+e^-
- photonuclear

not covered by this formula



$$E_{\perp} = \gamma E_0$$

$$E_{\parallel} = E_0$$

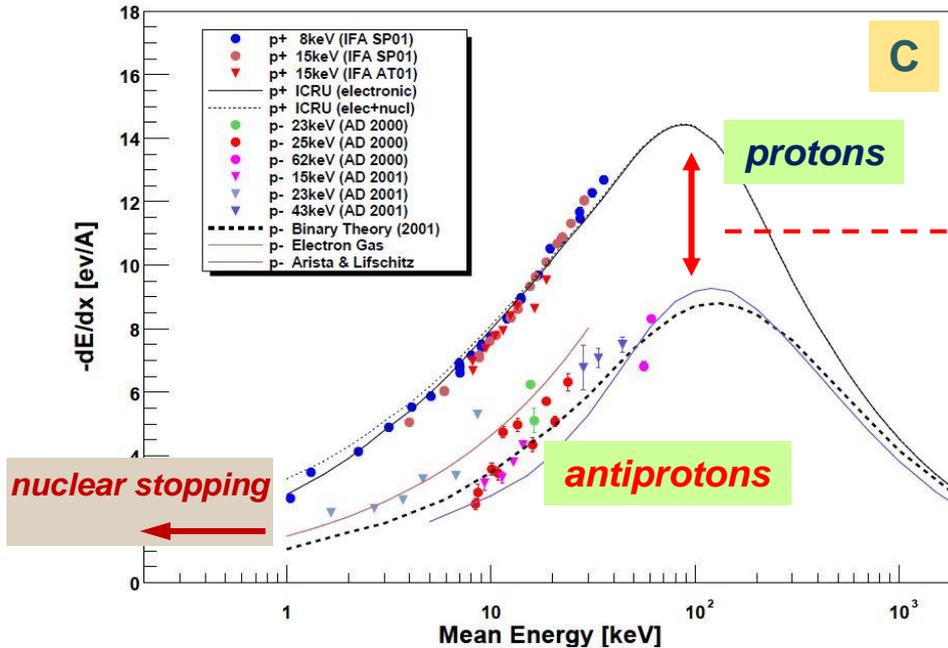


δ density effect
polarization
diminishes
relativistic rise

$$S = 4\pi N_A r_e^2 m_e c^2 \frac{Z_{\text{target}}}{A} \cdot \frac{z^2_{\text{projectile}}}{\beta^2} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_e^{\text{max}}}{I^2} \right) - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$

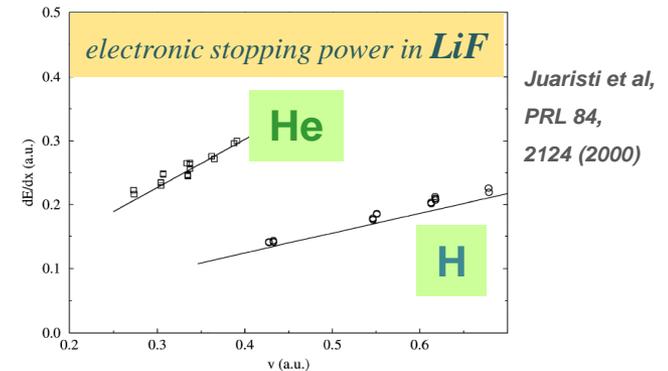
HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES - BARKAS EFFECT

lowest energies - friction range



A.Csete / PhD thesis, Aarhus, 2002

like friction $-\left(\frac{\Delta E}{\Delta x}\right) \propto v$



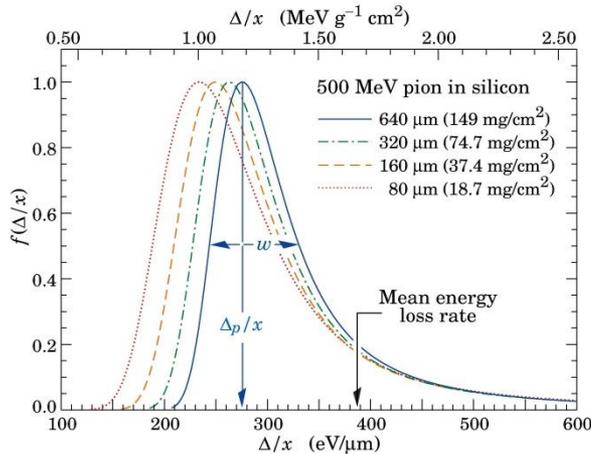
sensitive to sign of charge

$$S = 4\pi N_A r_e^2 m_e c^2 \frac{Z_{target}}{A} \cdot \frac{z_{projectile}^2}{\beta^2} \cdot \{ [\dots] + L_1(\beta, Z_{target}) \cdot z_{projectile} \}$$

frictional cooling (e-cooler, muon collider), window design, ...

HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES - STRAGGLING

energy (loss) straggling Δ



Landau-Vavilov distribution

asymmetric energy straggling towards higher Δ

thick layers \rightarrow many collisions \rightarrow skewness decreases

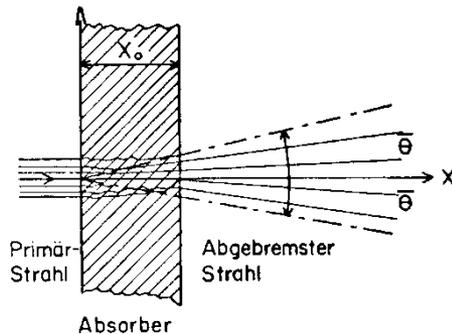
Δ_p / x most probable energy loss (here normalized to unity)

Δ / x energy loss per layer thickness

$$\overline{\Delta^2} \propto \frac{Z}{A} \cdot \rho \cdot d \cdot \frac{1}{\beta^2} \quad \text{for „thin“ layers}$$

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angular straggling $\overline{\Theta}$



$$\overline{\Theta} = \frac{13.6 \text{ MeV}}{\beta c p} \sqrt{x / X_0} (1 + \dots) \propto z \cdot Z / p^2$$

many collisions \rightarrow Gaussian angular distribution

$$\begin{aligned} X_0 / \text{gcm}^{-2} &= 63 \quad (\text{126}) \quad \text{H}_2 \text{ (D}_2\text{)} \quad \text{radiation length} \\ &= 108 \quad \text{Si} \\ &= 13.8 \quad \text{Fe} \end{aligned}$$

x / gcm^{-2} effective thickness of layer ($x = d \cdot \rho$)

- acceptance of experimental setup (storage rings etc.)

- position resolution of tracking devices

HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES - RANGE I

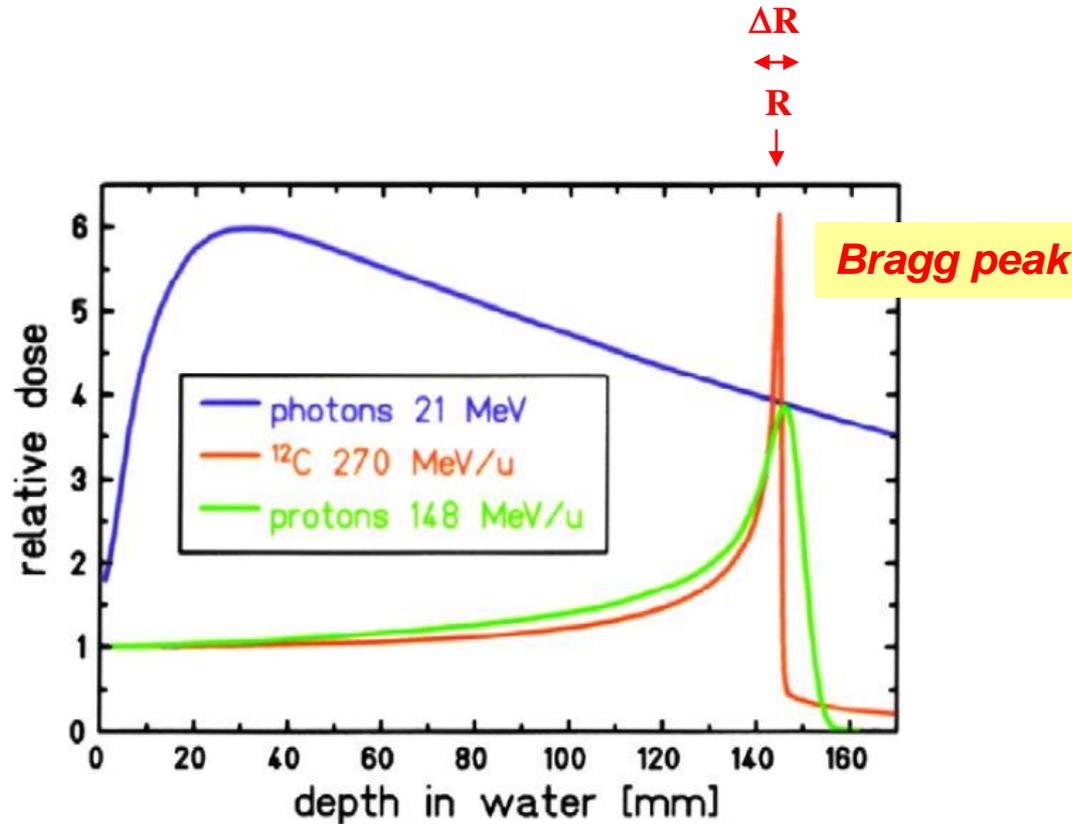


Fig. 1. Depth dose distribution for photons and monoenergetic Bragg curves for carbon ions and protons (Courtesy of G. Kraft, GSI Darmstadt, Germany).

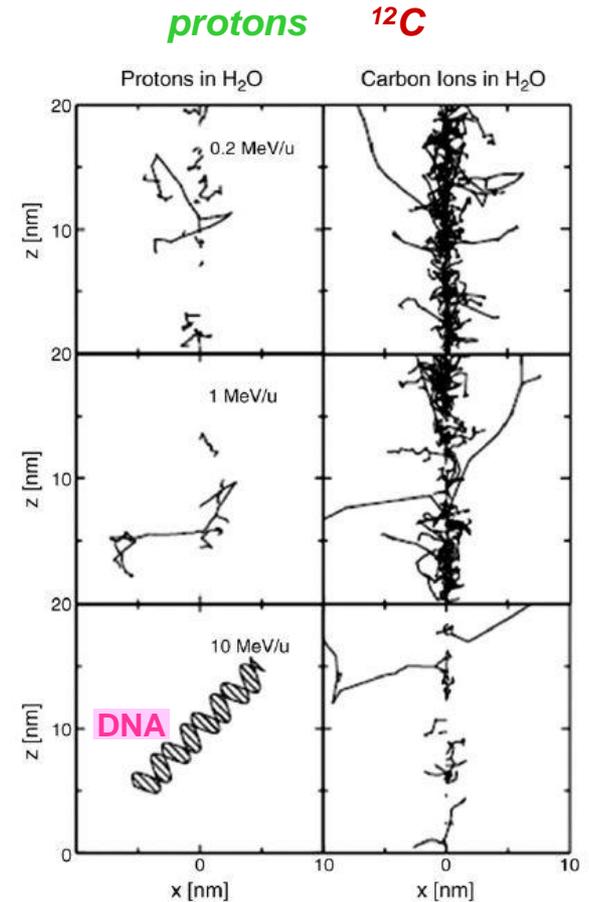


Fig. 4. Proton and carbon ion tracks are compared microscopically to an illustration of a DNA molecule before, in and behind the Bragg maximum, for the same energy [41].

HEAVY CHARGED PARTICLES - RANGE II

mean range
depends on particle mass

$$R = \int_0^{T_{kin}} dE / (dE/dx) \text{ [cm]}$$

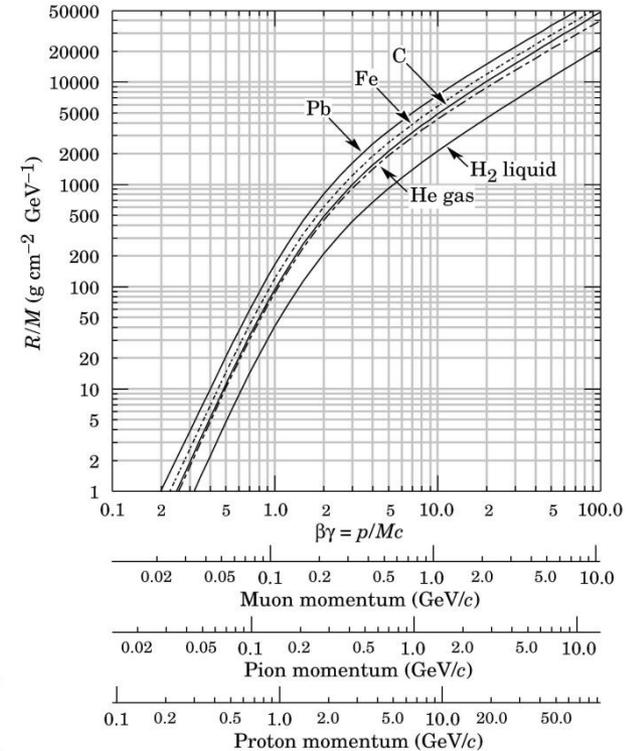
range – straggling

longitudinal
transversal

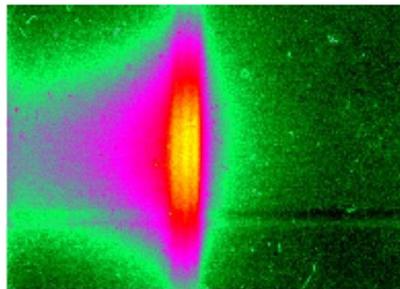
$$\Delta R$$

$$\Delta R / R \approx 1\% - 3\% \quad \text{for all elements}$$

$$\approx 2\% - 6\%$$

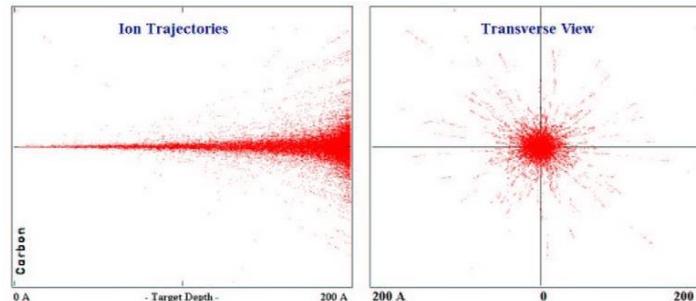


47 MeV antiprotons
radiochromic film response



N. Bassler et al.
Radiotherapy and Oncology 86 (2008) 14–19

20 keV protons on carbon
(Monte-Carlo simulation SRIM)



A. Csete / PhD thesis, Aarhus, 2002

$R/M(E/M)$

range concept useful for

- $R < \lambda_{had}$
- radiation losses small

***INTERACTION OF
LIGHT CHARGED PARTICLES
WITH MATTER***

LIGHT CHARGED PARTICLES - STOPPING POWER

ionisation dominated energy range

heavy particles

path lengths $S \approx \text{range } R$

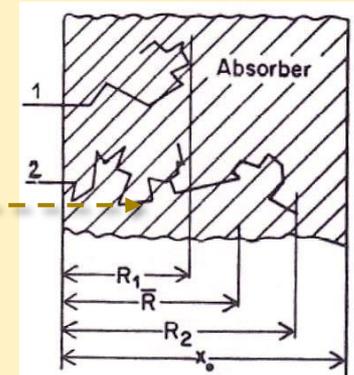
electrons/positrons

“ “ $S \approx 2 \cdot R$

strong deflection

dE/dx similar to Bethe-Bloch formula

additional terms - identical particles (e^-)
- spin dependence



radiation dominated energy range

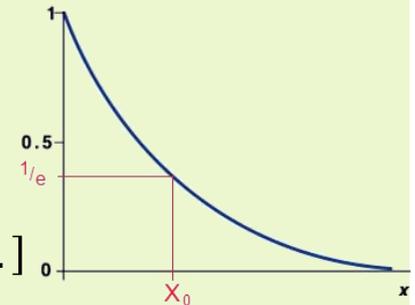
energy loss by bremsstrahlung

$$-\frac{dE_{kin}}{dx} \propto Z^2_{target} \cdot E_{kin} \cdot [...]$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{kin} = E_{0, kin} \cdot e^{-(x/X_0)}$$

radiation length X_0 [$g \cdot cm^{-2}$]

$$\frac{1}{X_0} = 4 \alpha \cdot r_e^2 \cdot \frac{N_A}{A} \cdot Z^2_{target} \cdot [...]$$



after depth $d = X_0/\rho$ ([cm]) all but 1/e of the energy of the particle is lost by bremsstrahlung

LIGHT CHARGED PARTICLES - RANGE

ionisation dominated energy range

electron range (semiempirical formulae)

$$R = 0,52 E_e^{1,25} - 0,09 \quad (\text{g cm}^{-2}) \quad 0,5 < E_e < 3 \text{ MeV}$$

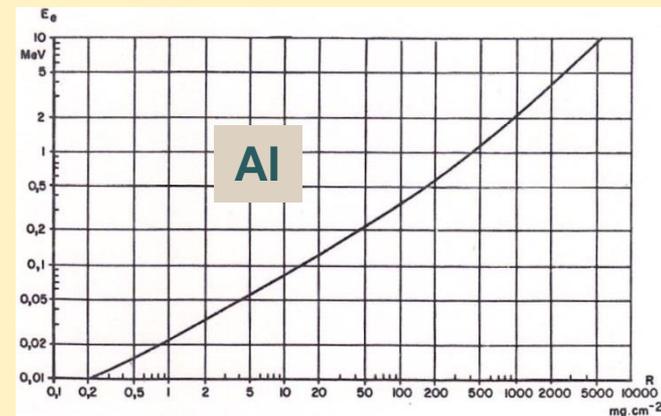
$$R = 0,412 E_e^n \quad (\text{g cm}^{-2}) \quad 0,01 < E_e < 3 \text{ MeV}$$

mit $n = 1,265 - 0,0954 \ln E_e$

$$R = 0,53 E_e^{1,25} - 0,106 \quad (\text{g cm}^{-2}) \quad 1 < E_e < 20 \text{ MeV}$$

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{2\pi e^4}{E_e} N^0 Z \left(\ln \frac{E_e}{I} + 0,15 \right) \quad E_e \ll m_e c^2$$

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{2\pi e^4}{m_e c^2} N^0 Z \left(\ln \frac{E_e^3}{2m_e c^2 I} + \frac{1}{8} \right) \quad E_e \gg m_e c^2$$



radiation dominated energy range

radiation length X_0 [g·cm⁻²]

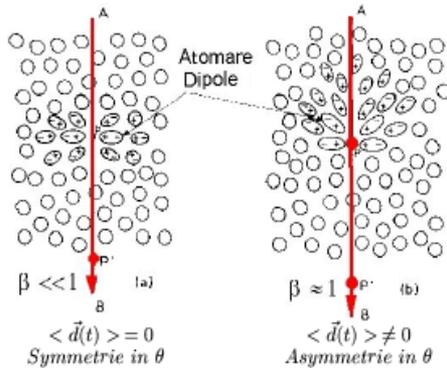
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|----------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|
| D₂ | 126 | mylar | 40 |
| H₂ | 63 | air | 37 |
| Al | 24 | water | 36 |
| Ar | 20 | rock standard | 27 |
| Cu | 13 | CsI | 8.4 |
| Pb | 6 | PbWO₄ | 7.4 |

CHARGED PARTICLES - ENERGY LOSS BY RADIATION I

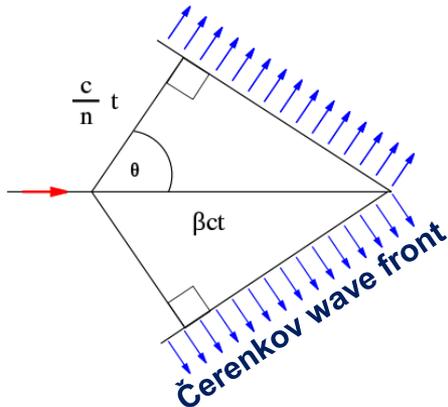
Čerenkov radiation if $v_{\text{particle}} > c_{\text{in medium}}$

Čerenkov 1930s

the charge polarizes the medium



emission under specific angle $\Theta_{\check{c}}$



$$\cos \Theta_{\check{c}} = 1 / \beta \cdot n$$

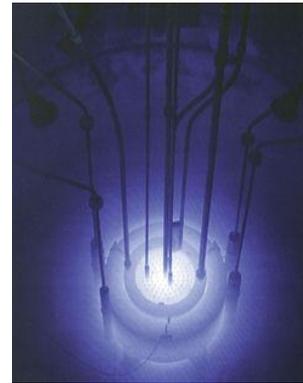
$n = \text{index of refraction}$

(small) dispersion !

$\Theta_{\check{c}}$ measures the velocity of the particle

acoustics analogue: Mach's cone for supersonic source

„light“ blue!



electrons „radiate“
in the water above
the core of
a nuclear power plant

$$\left(\frac{\Delta E}{\Delta x} \right)_{\text{radiation}} \ll \left(\frac{\Delta E}{\Delta x} \right)_{\text{collision}}$$

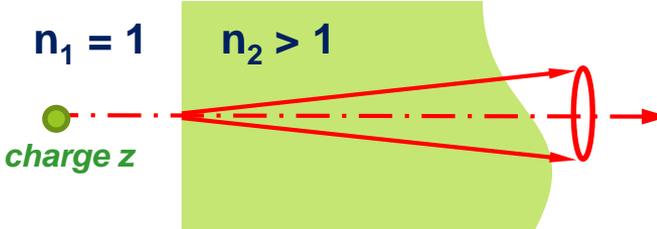
CHARGED PARTICLES - ENERGY LOSS BY RADIATION II

Transition radiation for ultrarelativistic particles ($\gamma \gg 1$)

Ginzburg & Frank 1946

Readjustment of the el.-mag. fields (E,H) at the boundary of 2 media with different dielectric properties (ϵ)

leads as collective response of the material to *emission of el.-mag. radiation (X-rays)*



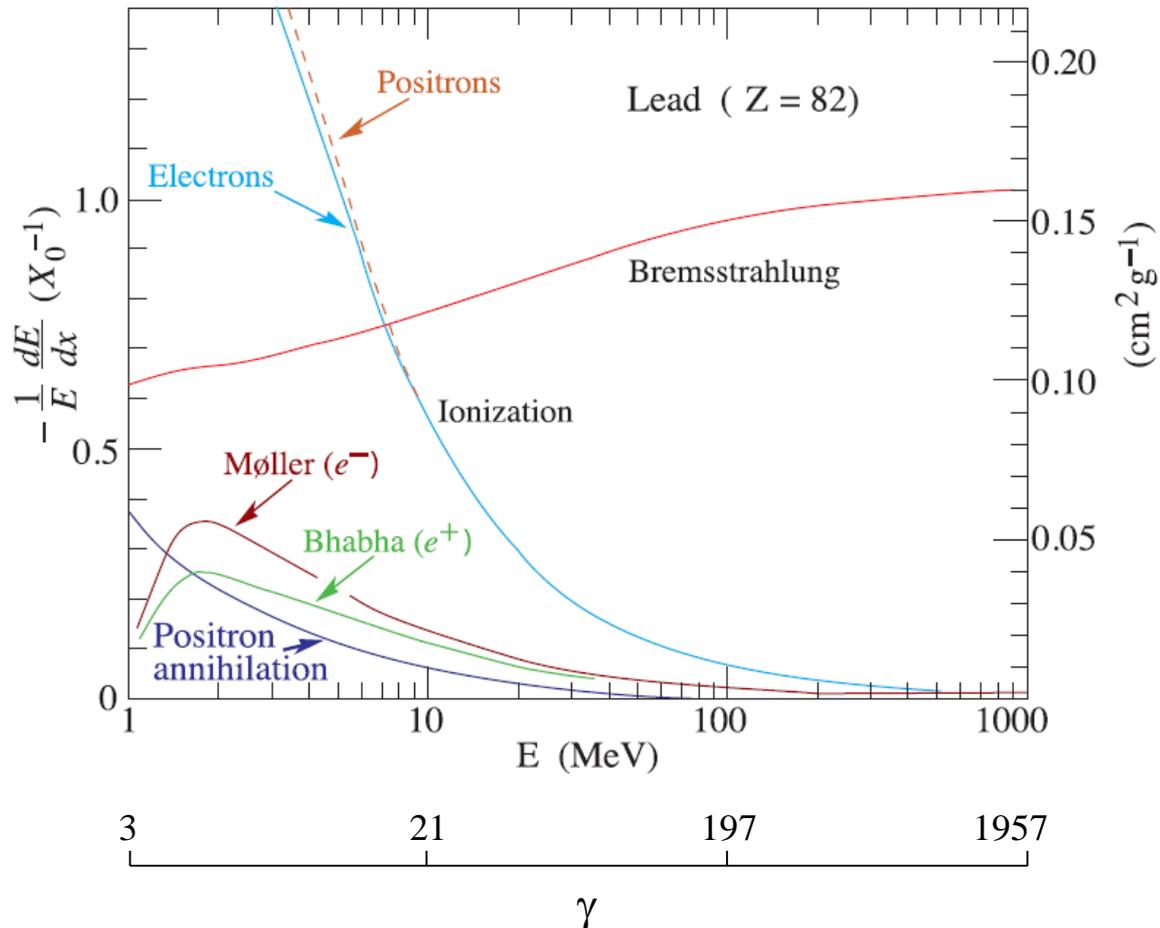
The diagram illustrates a charge z moving from a medium with refractive index $n_1 = 1$ into a medium with refractive index $n_2 > 1$. As the charge enters the second medium, it emits radiation in a narrow cone, labeled as the "emission cone".

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| emission cone | $\Theta \approx 1/\gamma \approx 10^{-3}$ rad |
| radiated intensity | $I = \alpha \cdot z^2 \cdot \gamma \cdot \hbar \omega_p / 3$ |
| photon yield | $n_{\text{photon}} \propto \alpha \cdot z^2 \cdot (\ln \gamma)^2 \approx z^2 \cdot 0.5\%$ |
| plasma frequency | $\omega_p^2 = \frac{e^2}{\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{n_e}{m_e}$ air: $\hbar \omega_p = 0.7$ eV mylar: $\hbar \omega_p = 20$ eV |
| formation length | $d = \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{\hbar c}{\hbar \omega_p}$ mylar: $d = 14$ μm ($\gamma = 1000$) |

typical: soft X-rays of 2 - 40 keV for $\gamma \approx 1000$

application: plasma frequencies of materials, particle separation (π/p), ...

LIGHT CHARGED PARTICLES - RELATIVE ENERGY LOSS



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Fractional energy loss per radiation length in lead as a function of electron or positron energy.

INTERACTION OF
***MASSIVE** NEUTRAL PARTICLES*
WITH MATTER

NEUTRONS I

collisions create recoil particles

maximum energy transfer for $M_{\text{neutron}} = M_{\text{recoil}}$

central collision

energy is transferred completely

non central

all energies according to scattering angle

average energy transfer 50%



detection by recoil protons (from hydrogen)

$$M_{\text{proton}} \approx M_{\text{neutron}}$$

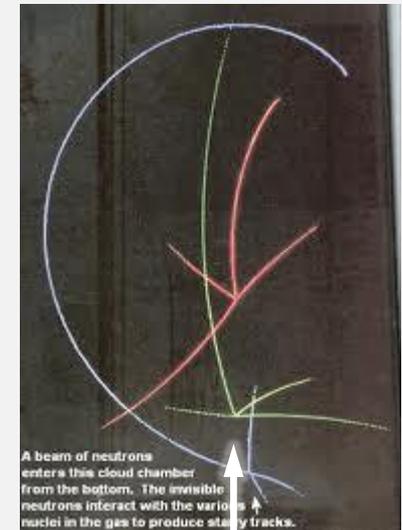
i.e. good shielding is water - H_2O

concrete - 15% water

paraffin - $(\text{CH})_n$

...

cloud chamber picture



A beam of neutrons enters this cloud chamber from the bottom. The invisible neutrons interact with the various nuclei in the gas to produce secondary tracks.

neutron

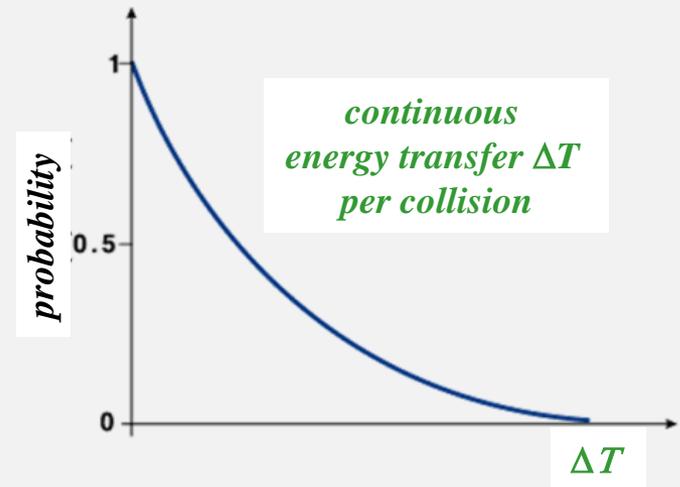
NEUTRONS II

slowing down of neutrons in elastic collisions

$$\left(\frac{A-1}{A+1}\right)^2 \cdot T_n \leq T_{n'} \leq T_n$$

T_n initial kinetic energy

$T_{n'}$ kinetic energy after collision



neutrons – no defined range

make degrader thick enough to thermalize neutrons, i.e. $T_n \approx \frac{1}{40} \text{ eV}$

subsequent capture or decay

don't forget absorber for reaction and decay products (mostly γ)

SYNOPSIS:

***BASIC INTERACTIONS ARE
BASIS FOR DETECTOR DESIGN***

EXERCISES” INTERACTION OF RADIATION AND PARTICLES WITH MATTER”

QUALI-START-UP LECTURES SEPTEMBER 2019

1. *Derive the nonrelativistic relation between kinetic energy and momentum from the relativistic energy-momentum relation.*
2. *The maximal kinetic energy of the COSY synchrotron is 2.88 GeV for protons. Calculate the quantities β and γ as well as the proton momentum p .*
3. *Assume the maximal magnetic field available for bending magnets is 1 T. What would be the minimum dimensions of an experimental hall housing a COSY-type accelerator?*
4. *By which process charged particles lose kinetic energy in matter?*
5. *Which process dominates – depending on the energy of the radiation – the attenuation in matter?*
6. *Which processes are involved in an X-ray session at your medical doctor having an apparatus labeled 25 keV?*
7. *Which is the minimum velocity (in units of speed of light c) for particles in order to produce Cerenkov light in plastic material with index of refraction $n = 1.5$?*
8. *The maximum absorbance of the medium wavelength cone cells in the human eye is reached at 534nm (green), where the maximum of the sun's emission spectrum at sea level is 550 nm. What is the energy of the corresponding photon?*