

Instrumentation in Particle Physics: a bit of history and bit of intro

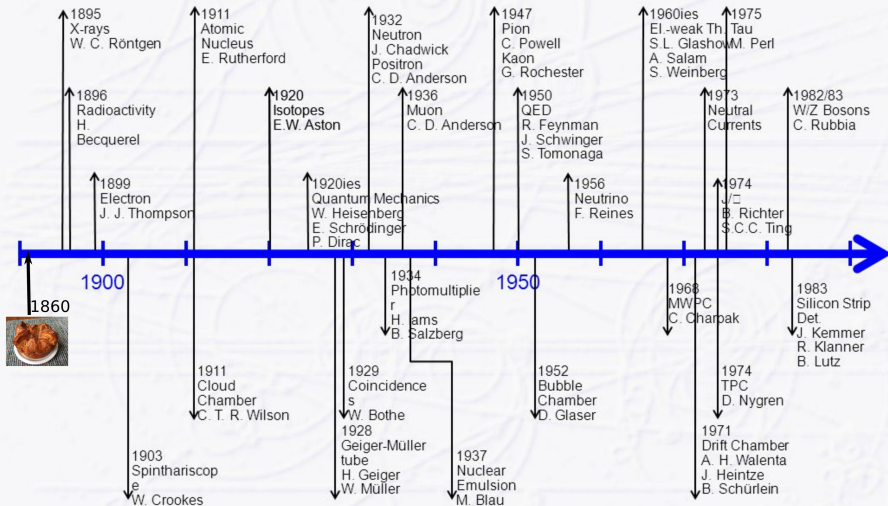
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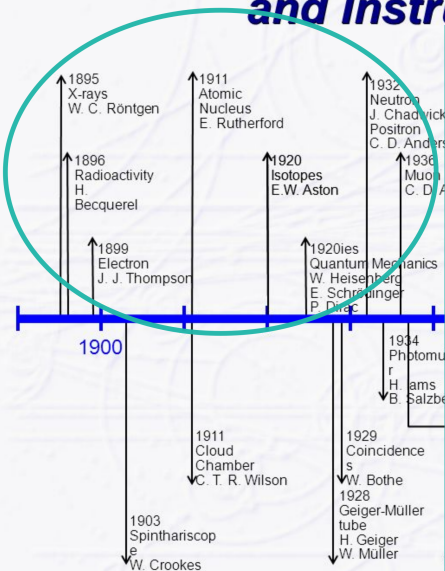
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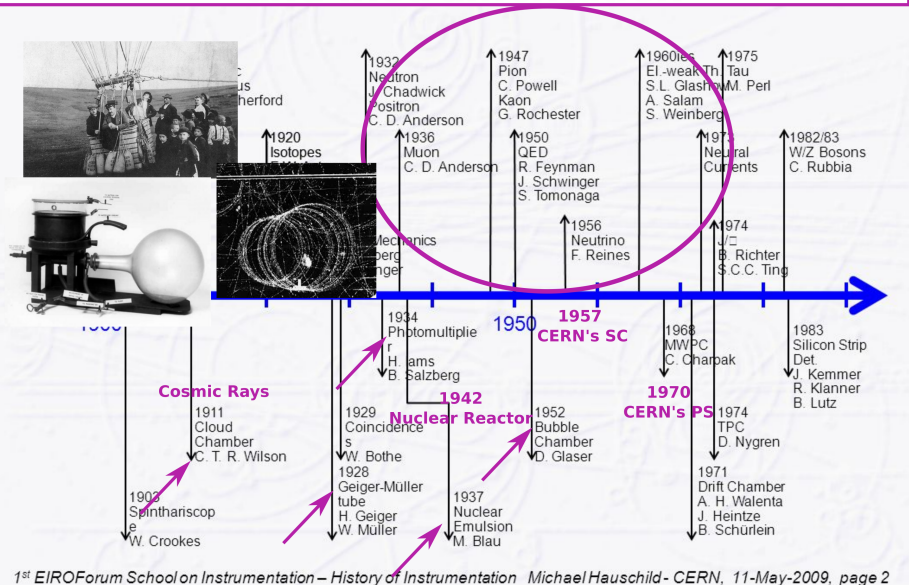


- ▶ The "atom structure" era
- ▶ Visible signals induced by many particles
- ▶ Particle sources:
 - ▶ Cathode tubes
 - ▶ Radioactive elements
- ▶ Magnetic field
→ sign of charge,
- ▶ Electric field → milikan experiment
- ▶ Detection methods:
 - ▶ photographic plates
 - ▶ ionization chambers

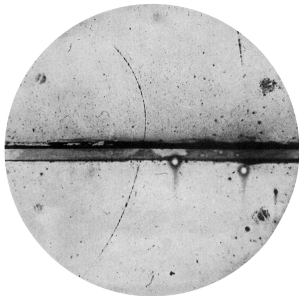
Single Particle Detection:

Sources: cosmic rays, nuclear reactors, synchrotrons ---> accelerators

Technology: cloud chamber, photomultipliers, bubble chambers --> image analysis

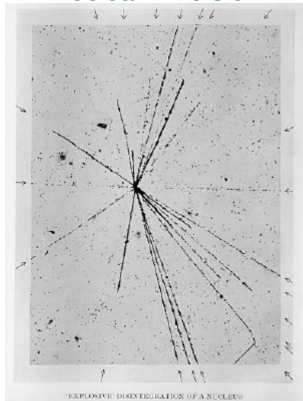


Cloud Chambers



- ▶ Originally developed for climate studies
- ▶ Supersaturated vapour condenses due to the passage of a charged particle
- ▶ Provides "amplification" of a single particle effect

Nuclear Emulsion



→ Mostly based on image analysis

Bubble Chambers



- ▶ Superheated heavy liquid
- ▶ charged particles leave a trail of ions,
- ▶ vapour forms around the ions
- ▶ Large volume
- ▶ resolution of few μm
- ▶ weak neutral currents - 1973

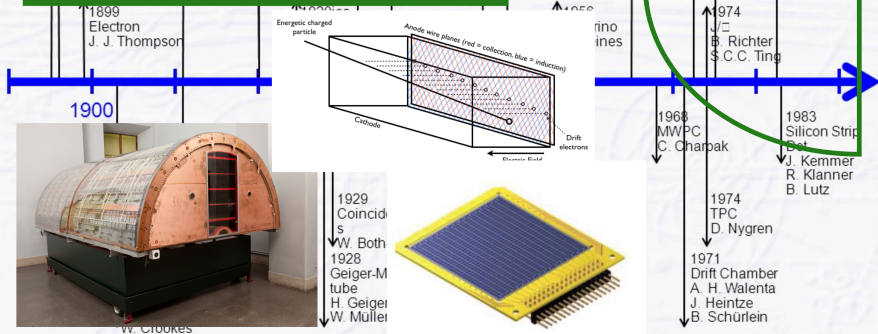
Complex Event Reconstruction

Combination of tracking, E measurement, particle ID

New technologies:

- photomultipliers
- "electronic" particle detection: from the geiger-müller tube to TPCs and beyond
- silicon detectors

Particle Physics Instrumentation



What do we (usually) need in a particle physics experiment?

- ▶ A source of particles
- ▶ A medium with which the particles will interact
→ and understanding of the possible interactions
- ▶ A data acquisition system

Particle sources

- ▶ radioactive sources
- ▶ cosmic rays
- ▶ nuclear reactors
- ▶ accelerators



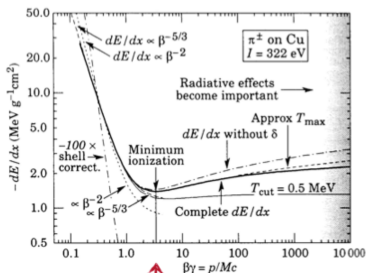
Interactions

- ▶ **Charged particles:**
ionisation, bremsstrahlung, Cherenkov
→ multiple interactions
- ▶ **Photons:** photoelectric/Compton effect,
pair production
→ single interaction
- ▶ **Hadrons:** nuclear interactions
→ multiple interactions
- ▶ **Neutrinos:** weak interaction
→ maybe interactions

The difference in mass, charge and type of interaction is key when trying to identify them!

Radiation length (X_0): distance after which an incident electron's energy is $1/e$

Bethe-Bloch formula: energy loss by ionisation
Energy loss of π in Cu



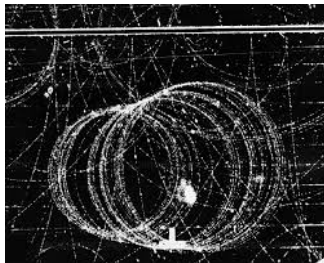
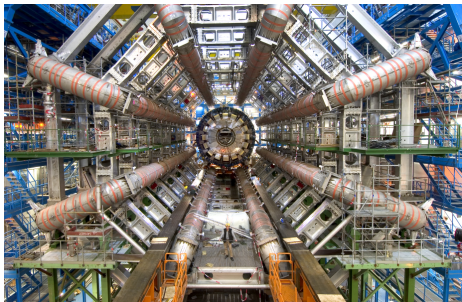
$$\beta\gamma = 3-4$$

$$\beta = v/c; \gamma = 1/\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}$$

Magnetic field

Charged particles are deflected in a magnetic field

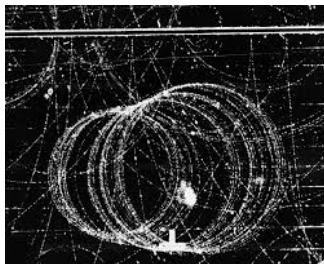
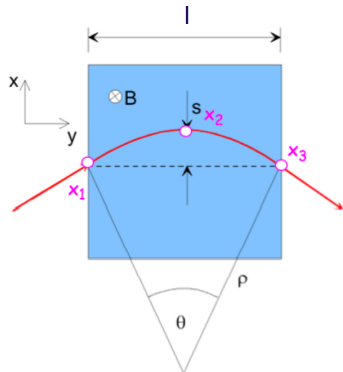
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- ▶ If $m \sim 0$, for constant \vec{B} ,
- ▶ then $|\vec{p}|$ is constant (assumption: no energy loss in the detector)
- ▶ helical trajectory

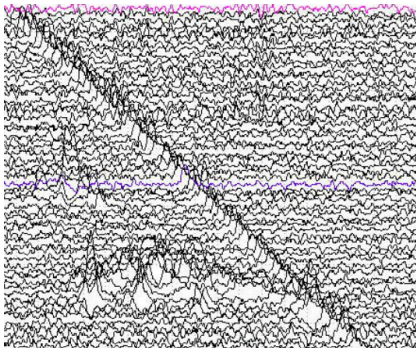
- ▶ Measure 3 points

$$\rightarrow \sigma_s = \sqrt{3/2} \sigma_y$$

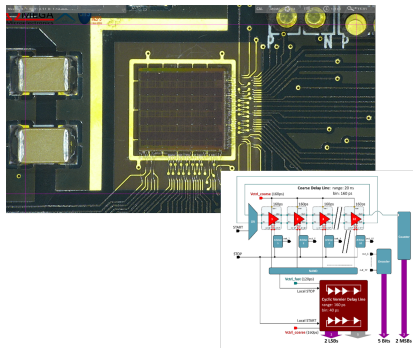
$$\frac{\sigma_{p_T}}{p_T} \sim \frac{\sigma_y p_T}{n_{hits}}$$

Data Acquisition

- ▶ be able to recognise the interaction
- ▶ and record it!
- ▶ The development of the electronics is key (i.e. silicon detectors and ASICs)



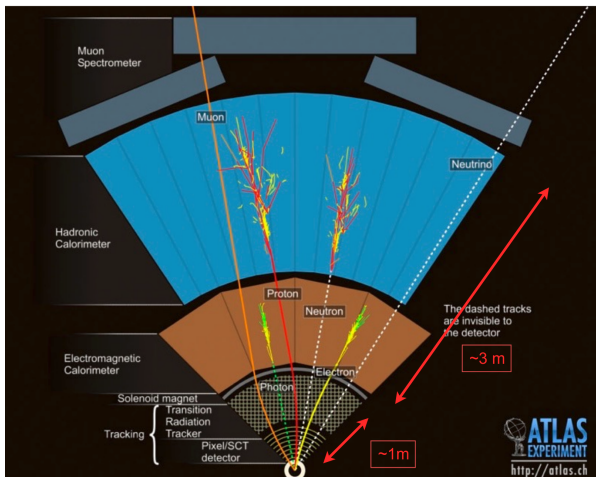
TPC continuous signal readout



ASIC die and TDC diagram

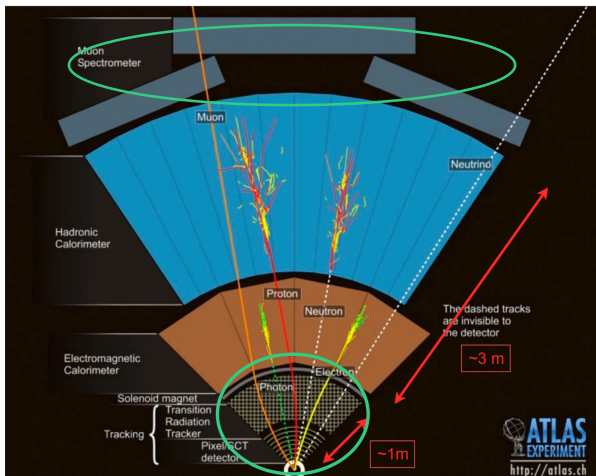
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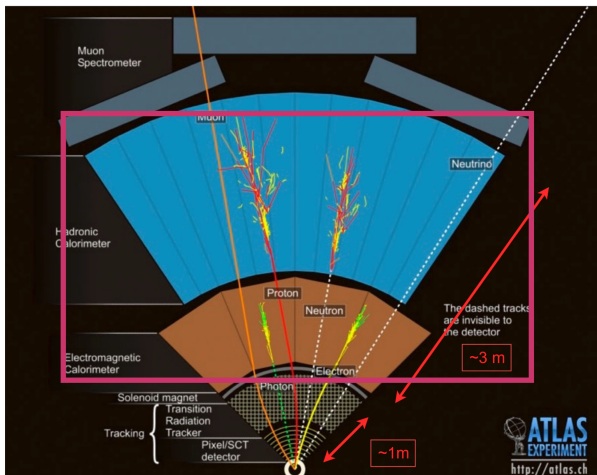
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The **tracker** and **muon spectrometer** measure the momentum of passing charged particles - not modify particle's path and energy

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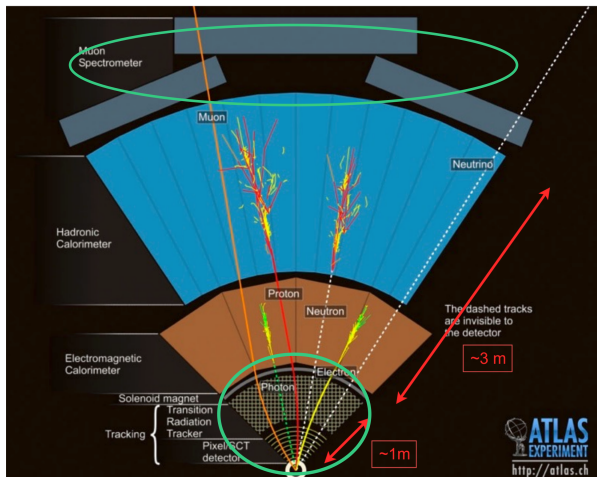
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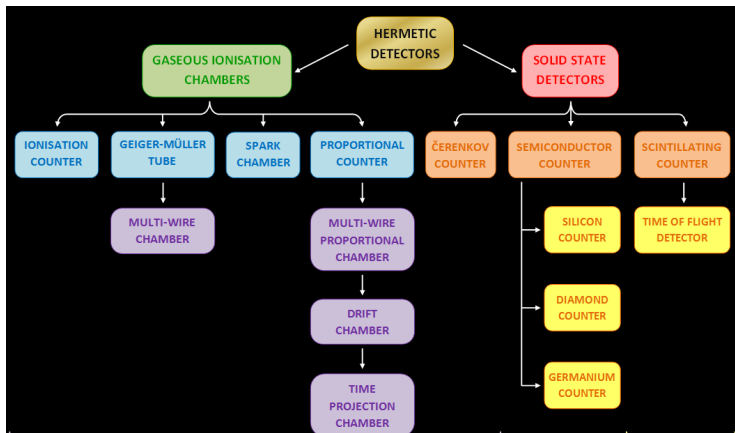
The **calorimeters** try to *stop* the particle to measure its energy - destructive measurement

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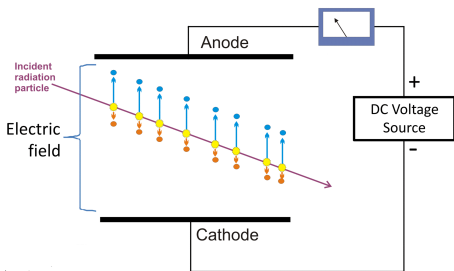
Types of detectors



Gas Detectors

Basic principle:

- ▶ A charged particle transverses a *carefully chosen* gas/gas mixture
- ▶ enclosed within an electric field \vec{E}
- ▶ gas is ionised by the particle
- ▶ generated charges drift towards cathode/anode
- ▶ measure current!



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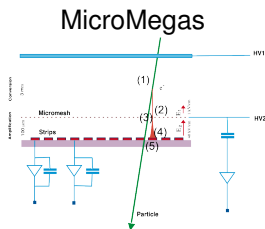
Geiger-Muller

- ▶ Main (well known) use: detect presence of radiation
- ▶ ~ 0.1 atm gas
- ▶ High V, several hundred volts \rightarrow high electric field
- ▶ gas multiplication (scattered e^- and UV photons)
- ▶ Gives one pulse per incident particle
- ▶ No energy measurement \rightarrow no particle ID



Ionization Chambers

- ▶ No multiplication (only direct ionisation)
- ▶ Small current signal: $\sim 10^{-12} - 10^{-15}$ A
- ▶ Can measure total ionisation
- ▶ Achieve spatial resolution through smart design/placement of electrodes
- ▶ MicroMegas, Gas Electron Multiplier, Resistive Plate Chambers



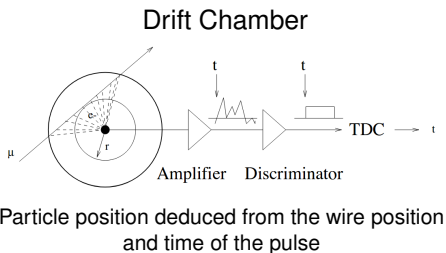
$$\sigma \sim 100\mu\text{m}$$

Gas Detectors

Proportional Counters

- ▶ Pulse height \propto radiation absorbed by the detector
- ▶ Gas mixture of inert gas (to be ionised) and quenching gas (to terminate the pulse)
- ▶ Relatively low \vec{E} : no recombination, avalanche only close to electrode
→ single avalanche per generated ion

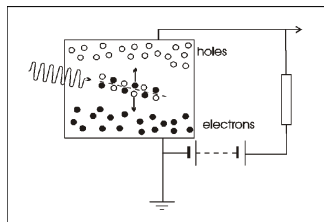
- ▶ Many of these detectors used currently in LHC experiments: TRT, MDT, RPC, CTC, TGC
- ▶ Most of these have $\sigma \sim 100 \mu\text{m}$



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- ▶ A charged particle transverses a **semiconductor material**



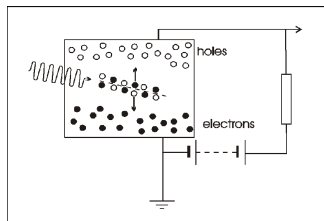
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Semiconductor:

- ▶ A crystal, like **silicon**, diamond, germanium
- ▶ different *dopings* control the conductivity
- ▶ n-type: excess of electrons
p-type: excess of holes
- ▶ n-p junctions → transistors/diodes
- ▶ light emission
- ▶ ... basically, the basis of a new technological era



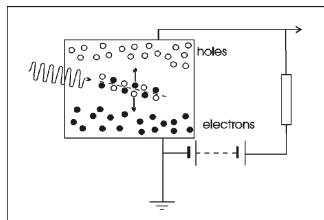
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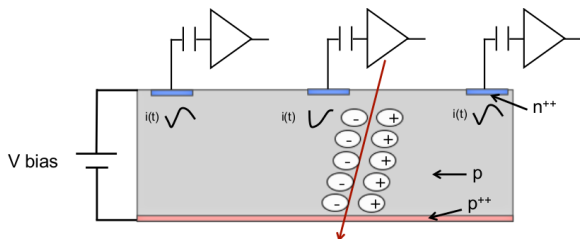
- ▶ A charged particle transverses a **semiconductor material**
- ▶ Placed between electrodes, so that the electrons/holes generated drift due to the electric field
- ▶ A pulse can be measured - Shockley-Ramo theorem

$$i = E_v qv$$

- ▶ The number of e/h pairs created is proportional to the intensity of the incident radiation; the E necessary per pair is well known (eg 3.6 eV in silicon)
- ▶ Used in almost all HEP experiments for tracking in the innermost layers
- ▶ Price noticeably decreased throughout the years, combined with enough R&D, allowed to export this technology to *the real world* (medical imaging)



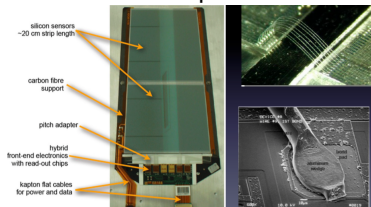
Silicon Detectors



- ▶ Example n-on-p silicon detector
- ▶ Inversely polarised by a bias voltage → creates a depleted volume
- ▶ A charged particle crossing the sensor will create e/h pairs, which travel towards the electrodes
- ▶ $N(e/h)$ pairs depends on the type and energy of incident particle, and the thickness of the sensor
- ▶ Excellent spatial resolution

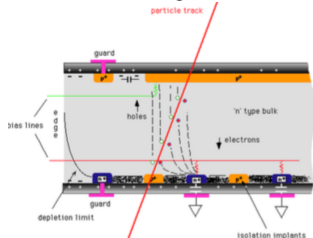
Pixel / Strips

Silicon Strip module

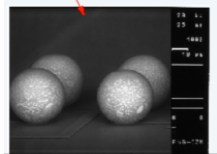


- ▶ The resolution is given by the layout of electrodes
- ▶ 2D vs 3D tracking
- ▶ Pixels:
 - ▶ small area: low C, good S/N
 - ▶ small vol: low leakage current

Pixel



fine pitch (50 μm) bump placements
solder



Provide high precision tracking (vertex reconstruction) and momentum spectroscopy in large areas

Detector Type	Accuracy (rms)	Resolution Time	Dead Time
Bubble chamber	10–150 μm	1 ms	50 ms ^a
Streamer chamber	300 μm	2 μs	100 ms
Proportional chamber	50–300 μm ^{b,c,d}	2 ns	200 ns
Drift chamber	50–300 μm	2 ns ^e	100 ns
Scintillator	—	100 ps/n ^f	10 ns
Emulsion	1 μm	—	—
Liquid Argon Drift [Ref. 6]	$\sim 175\text{--}450 \mu\text{m}$	$\sim 200 \text{ ns}$	$\sim 2 \mu\text{s}$
Gas Micro Strip [Ref. 7]	30–40 μm	< 10 ns	—
Resistive Plate chamber [Ref. 8]	$\lesssim 10 \mu\text{m}$	1–2 ns	—
Silicon strip	pitch/(3 to 7) ^g	h	h
Silicon pixel	2 μm ⁱ	h	h

^a Multiple pulsing time.

^b 300 μm is for 1 mm pitch.

^c Delay line cathode readout can give $\pm 150 \mu\text{m}$ parallel to anode wire.

^d $\text{wirespacing}/\sqrt{12}$.

^e For two chambers.

^f n = index of refraction.

^g The highest resolution (~ 7) is obtained for small-pitch detectors ($\lesssim 25 \mu\text{m}$) with pulse-height-weighted center finding.

^h Limited by the readout electronics [9]. (Time resolution of $\leq 25 \text{ ns}$ is planned for the ATLAS SCT.)

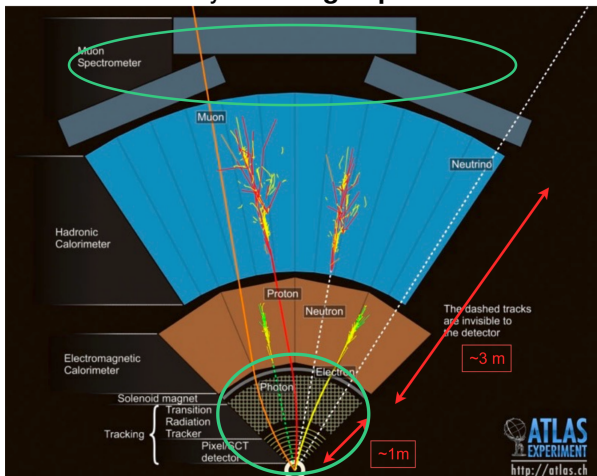
ⁱ Analog readout of 34 μm pitch, monolithic pixel detectors.

*the readout electronics can limit the performance!

Tracker and Calorimeter

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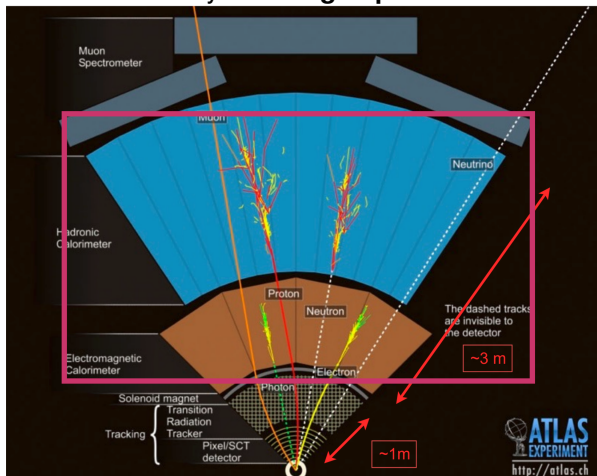


Combining many of the previous detectors we form a **track**, the path of the particle through the detector

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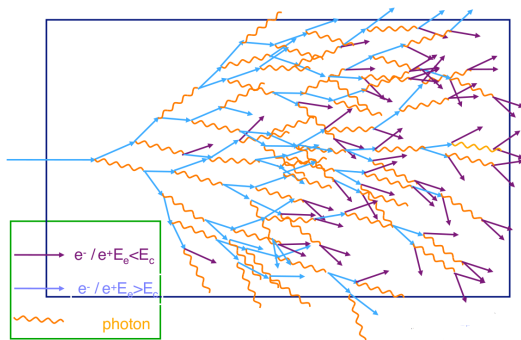
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But what if we want to measure *everything*?
(or at least decently interacting charged and neutral particles)

EM shower

- ▶ An EM shower develops within de calorimeter, the energy of the incident particle is transferred to the generated $e^{+/-}$ and γ
- ▶ The number of cascade particles generated is proportional to the energy deposited by the incident particle
- ▶ it continues until $E < E_c$ (depends on the material)
- ▶ **Radiation length (X^0)** distance after which the incident e^- has irradiated 63% of its energy



Calorimeters

- ▶ Idea from thermodynamics:
 - ▶ 'adiabatic volume' (not loose energy)
 - ▶ Aim to collect all the energy of the particle (charged **and neutral**)
 - ▶ **destructive measurement**: no particles come out, except neutrinos and muons
 - ▶ fun fact: the sensitivity required is $\sim 10^9$ times larger than to measure a 1°C shift in 1g of water

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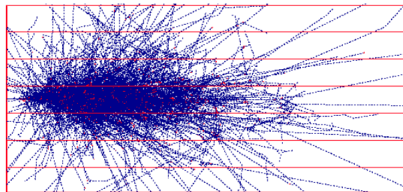
- ▶ Electromagnetic
- ▶ Hadronic

Types of calorimeters

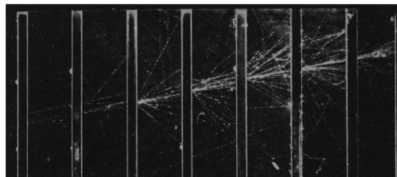
- ▶ Homogeneous
- ▶ Sampling

Homogeneous/Sampling

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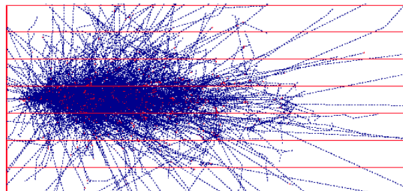
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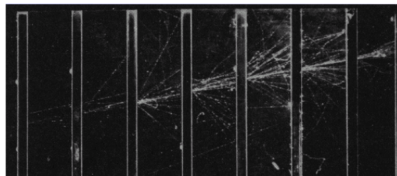
- ▶ All the energy is deposited in the active medium
- ▶ So the same material needs to stop the particle and generate a signal
- ▶ Heavy active material: lead tungstate PbWO_4 (CMS calorimeter)
- ▶ Excellent energy resolution
- ▶ No longitudinal segmentation

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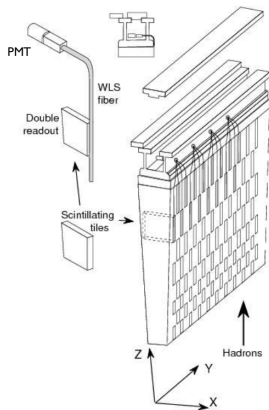
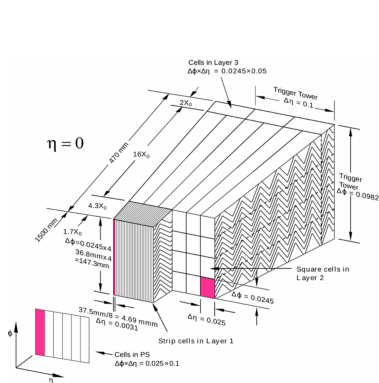


- ▶ Heavy stopper/absorber material (Cu, Pb, Fe)
- ▶ Sampled by an active material (scintillator plastic, semiconductor, gas)
- ▶ Limited energy resolution
- ▶ But gives information of the longitudinal deposition of the energy

EM and Hadronic calorimeters

Different concepts for different particles:

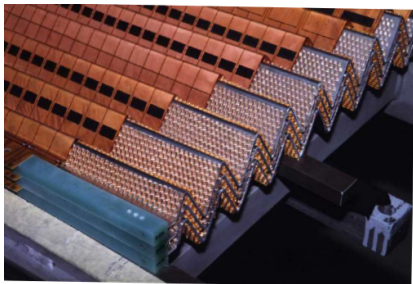
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Conclusions

- ▶ Not very exhaustive basics of particle detectors¹
 - ▶ Skipped Cherenkov detectors, photomultipliers, and many other topics
 - ▶ Mostly biased towards LHC experiments...
- ▶ But we got the basics:
 - ▶ key elements in a particle detector
 - ▶ some gaseous detectors
 - ▶ some solid state detectors
- ▶ Now lets hear your talks!

¹Disclaimer: lots of material and pictures taken from Wikipedia, I. Winteger's CERN summer school lectures, papers, etc. . .

09:00	Introduction <i>Centre Moulin Mer</i>	<i>Sabrina Sacerdoti</i> 09:00 - 09:30
	Beam optics design for PRAE linac and FCC-ee injector positron linac <i>Centre Moulin Mer</i>	<i>Bowen BAI</i>  09:30 - 10:00
10:00	Impedance Simulations And Measurements For ThomX <i>Centre Moulin Mer</i>	<i>Ezgi Ergenlik</i> 10:00 - 10:30
	Coffee Break <i>Centre Moulin Mer</i>	10:30 - 11:00
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	Performance of pixel n-in-p planar sensors for ITk to operate in High-Luminosity LHC <i>Centre Moulin Mer</i>	<i>Reem Taibah</i> 11:30 - 12:00
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13:00	Lunch <i>Centre Moulin Mer</i>	
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