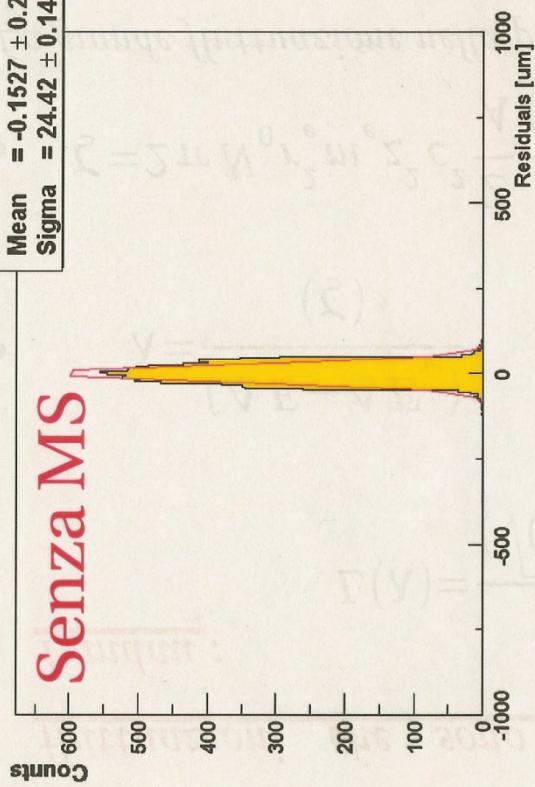


Residuals along Z

Constant =  $649.4 \pm 8.251$   
Mean =  $-0.1527 \pm 0.274$   
Sigma =  $24.42 \pm 0.1458$

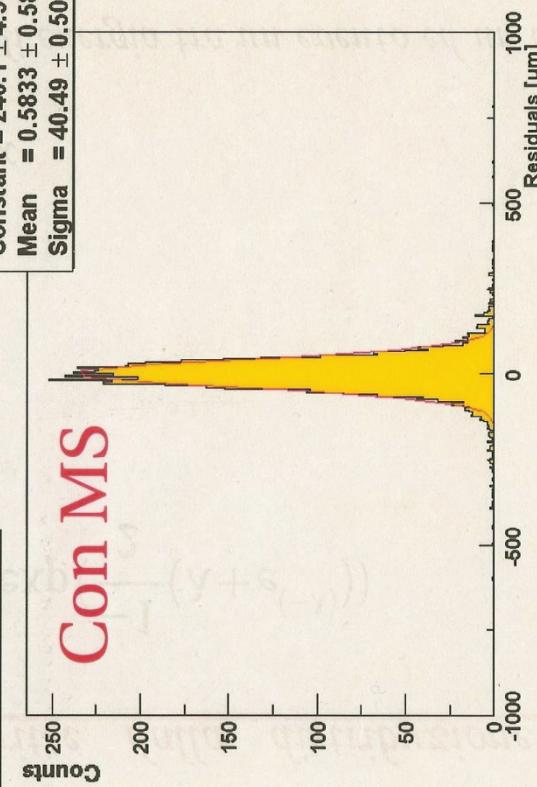
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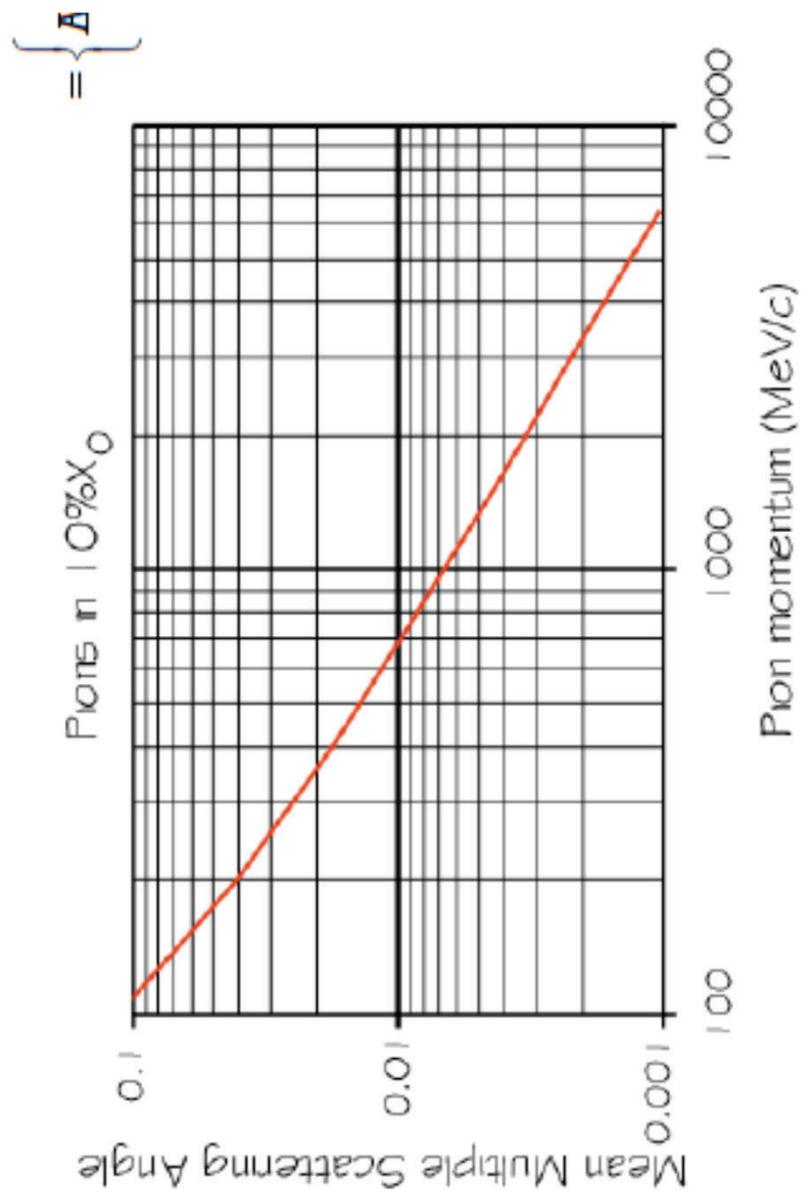


Residuals along Z

Constant =  $240.1 \pm 4.561$   
Mean =  $0.5833 \pm 0.5805$   
Sigma =  $40.49 \pm 0.5043$

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the number of photons becomes, after angular integration,

$$\frac{dN}{d\lambda} = \frac{2\pi a}{\lambda^2} L \sin^2 \theta_c \quad (5.7)$$

The number of photons emitted in the wavelength interval from  $\lambda_1$  to  $\lambda_2$  is then

$$N = 2\pi a L \int_{\lambda_1}^{\lambda_2} \sin^2 \theta_c / \lambda^2 d\lambda \quad (5.8)$$

For a counter equipped with a photocathode sensitive in the visible region,  $\lambda_1 = 400$  nm and  $\lambda_2 = 700$  nm, such that we have

$$\frac{N}{L} = 490 \sin^2 \theta_c \text{ photons/cm}^2$$

If the sensitivity is expanded into the ultraviolet region, the yield of photons can be increased by a factor of two to three. One way of achieving this goal

Fig. 5.6. Cherenkov angle  $\theta_c$  as a function of the reduced particle velocity  $\beta = v/c$  for a series of refractive indices  $n$ .

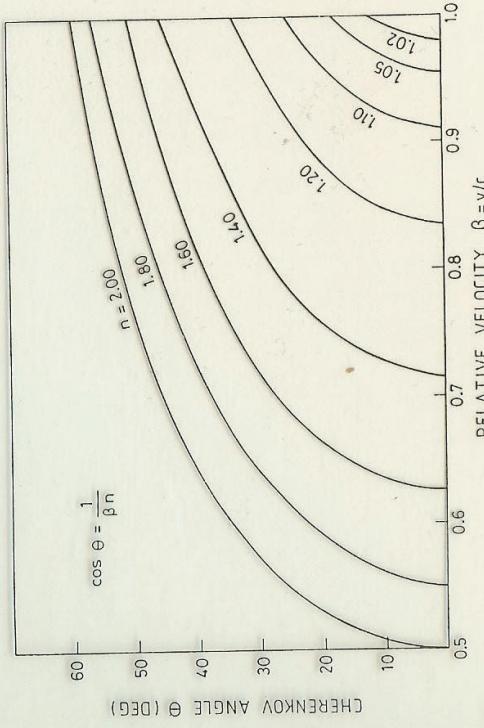


Table 6.2. Compilation of Cherenkov radiators [1, 34, 35, 122]. The index of refraction for gases is for  $0^\circ C$  and 1 atm (STP). Solid sodium is transparent for wavelengths below 2000 Å [447, 448]

material	$n - 1$	$\beta$ -threshold	$\gamma$ -threshold
solid sodium	3.22	0.24	1.029
lead sulfite	2.91	0.26	1.034
diamond	1.42	0.41	1.10
zinc sulfide (ZnS(Ag))	1.37	0.42	1.10
silver chloride	1.07	0.48	1.14
flint glass (SFS1)	0.92	0.52	1.17
lead fluoride	0.80	0.55	1.20
Clerici solution	0.69	0.59	1.24
lead glass	0.67	0.60	1.25
thallium formate solution	0.59	0.63	1.29
scintillator	0.58	0.63	1.29
Plexiglas (lucite)	0.48	0.66	1.33
boron silicate glass (Pyrex)	0.47	0.68	1.36
water	0.33	0.75	1.52
silica aerogel	0.025 - 0.075	0.93 .. 0.976	4.5 - 2.7
pentane (STP)	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.9983	17.2
$\text{CO}_2$ (STP)	$4.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.9996	34.1
air (STP)	$2.93 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.9997	41.2
$\text{H}_2$ (STP)	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.99986	59.8
$\text{He}$ (STP)	$3.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.99997	123

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 $n = 1.002$

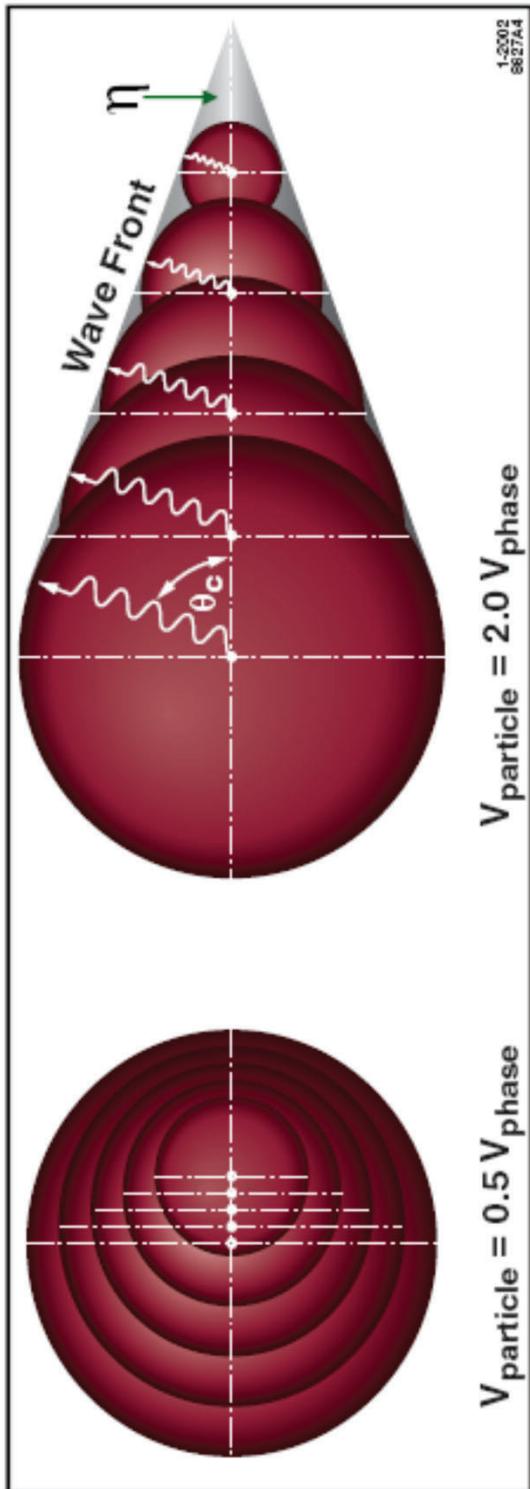
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supposed to be precisely at threshold and does not radiate. Under these circumstances one has:

$$\beta_2 = \frac{1}{n} \quad (6.26)$$

or

$$\gamma_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{n^2}}} \quad (6.27)$$



## Basic Cherenkov Equations-I

Cherenkov radiation of wavelength  $\lambda$  emitted at polar angle ( $\theta_c$ ), uniformly in azimuthal angle ( $\Phi_c$ ), with respect to the particle path,

$$\cos \theta_c = \frac{1}{\beta n(\lambda)}$$

The number of photo-electrons  $N_{pe}$  is always “too small”.

$$N_{pe} = 370 L \int \epsilon \sin^2 \theta_c dE = L N_0 \sin^2 \theta_c$$
 For  $z=1$

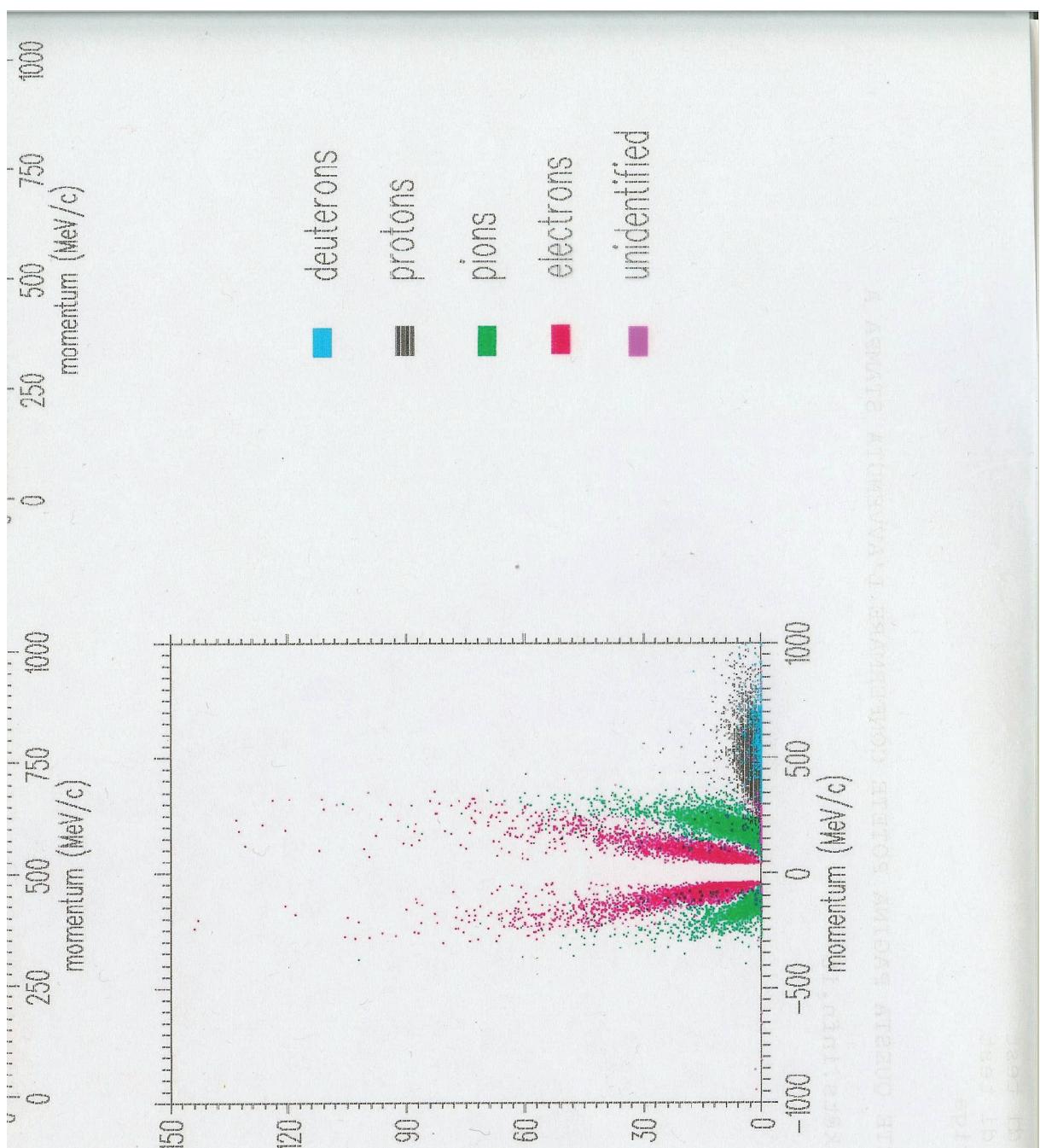
Usually  $N_o$  ranges between  $\sim 20$  and  $100$  Depends on velocity and  $n$ !

E.g., for  $N_0 = 50$ ,  $\beta = 1$ ;

		$n$	$N_{pe}/cm$
Solid	$SiO_2$	1.47	27
Liquid	$H_2O$	1.34	22
Gas	$C_5F_{12}$	1.0017	0.17
Gas	He	0.00004	0.004

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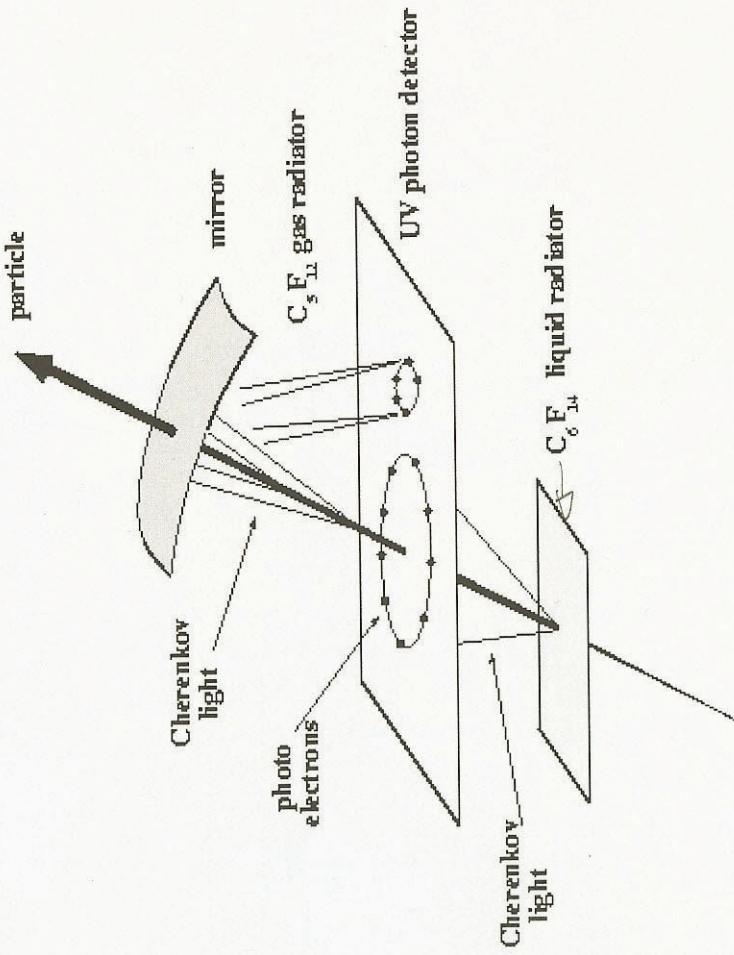


Cherenkov effect +  
multiplication (electrons)

particle velocity  $\beta$ . Particles pass through a radiator, the radiated photons may be directly collected by (or are focused by a mirror onto) a position-sensitive photon detector. Respectively, these are called *direct focusing* or *mirror-focused RICH detectors*. For direct focusing radiators have to be kept thin (e.g. a liquid radiator), to avoid broadening the ring or filling it; however, [Fabjan95b] report a use of a similar setup as a threshold counter. The Cherenkov radiation emitted at angle  $\delta$  is focused onto a ring of radius  $r$  at the detector surface, and  $\beta$  can be determined by a measurement of  $r$ . For photon detection one uses thin photosensitive (an admixture of e.g. triethylamine to the detector gas) proportional or drift chambers, see [Barrel91].

A detailed treatment of errors in Cherenkov detectors can be found in [Ypsilantis94]. An outlook for the future use is given in [Treille96].

For the various currently successful ways of building practical RICH detectors, see [Ekelof96] or [Ypsilantis94], and literature given there. An example is the combined RICH with liquid radiator (unfocused) and gas radiator (mirror-focused) of the DELPHI experiment at LEP (see [Abreu96], [Aarnio91]):



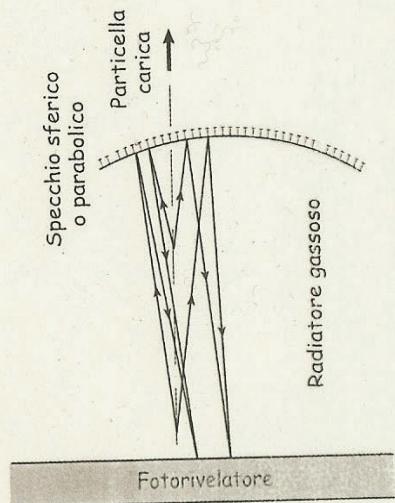
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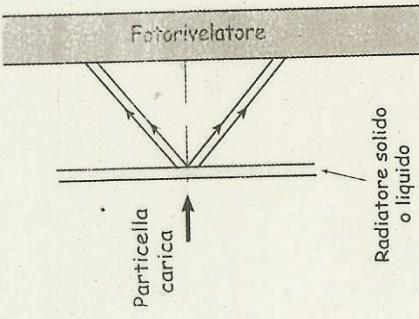
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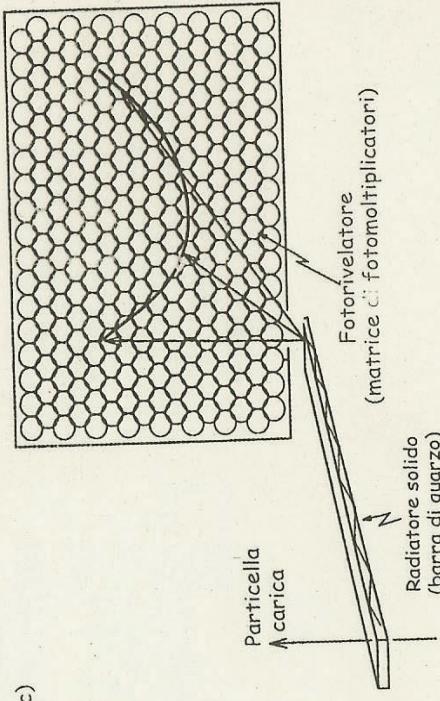
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Fig. 2  
Principio di funzionamento dei 3 tipi di rivelatori RICH che vengono impiegati in esperimenti di fisica nucleare o subnucleare:

a) RICH con radiatore gassoso e focalizzazione dell'immagine annulare ottenuta con specchi parabolici;

b) RICH con radiatore solido o liquido "sottile" nella direzione di attraversamento delle particelle; l'immagine tipo anulare è donata allo spessore ridotto del radiatore ed alla distanza fra questo ed il fotorivelatore;

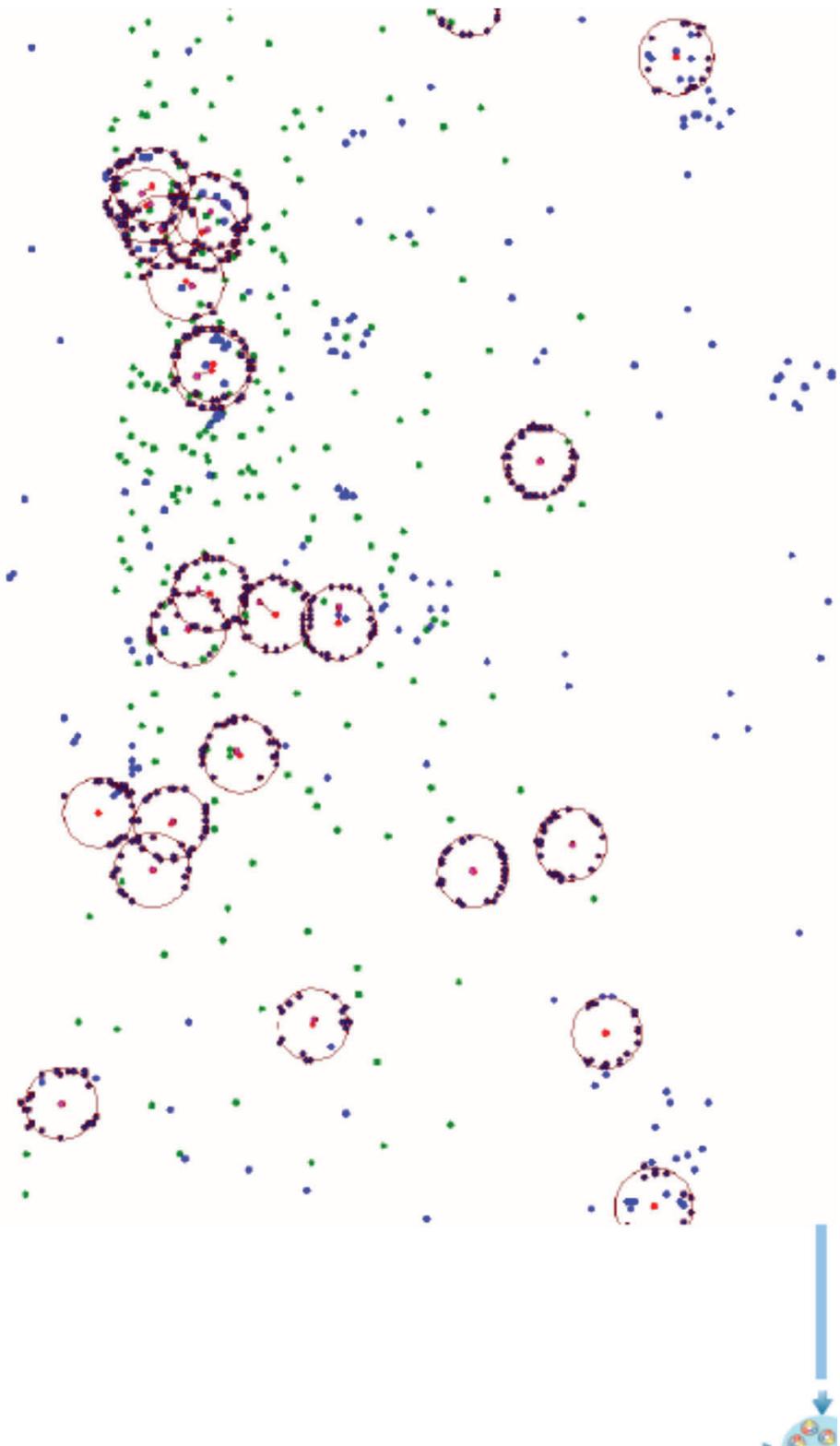
c) DIRC: la luce intrappolata per riflessione all'interno di una lunga barra di quarzo, fuoriesce dall'estremità conservando l'informazione relativa all'angolo Cerenkov

<sup>2</sup> La tecnica sviluppata per la rivelazione dei neutrini è stata premiata con il premio Nobel per la fisica 2002 (vedi in questo numero *I premi Nobel per la fisica 2002*, a pg. 22).

# Development of a RICH detector for electron identification in CBM (FAIR/GSI)

UrQMD simulation of central Au+Au collisions, 25 AGeV

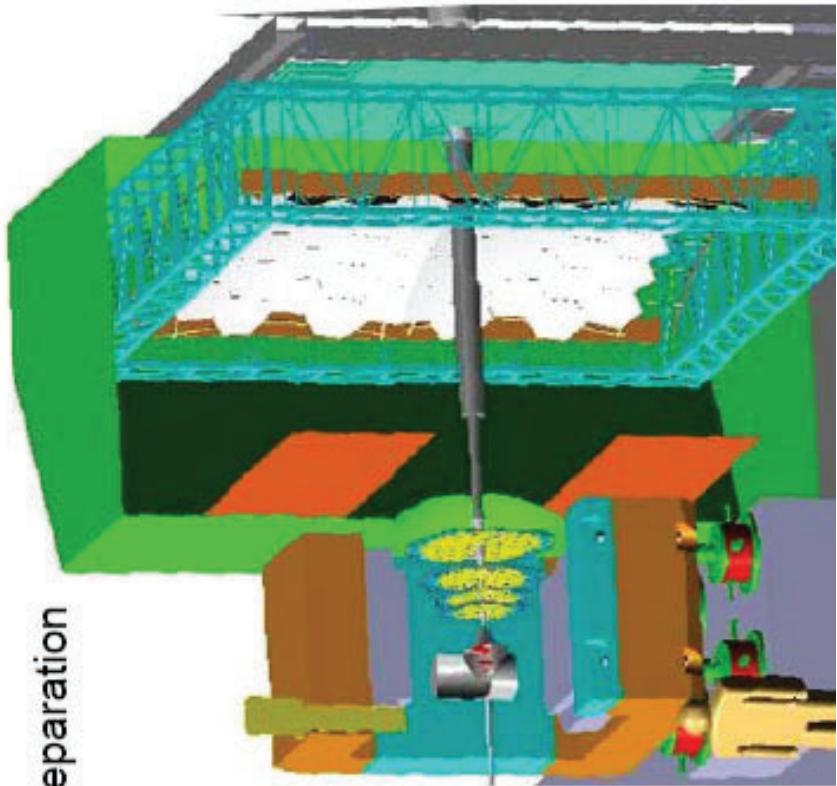
event display of inner fraction of RICH detector:



# RICH concept (II)

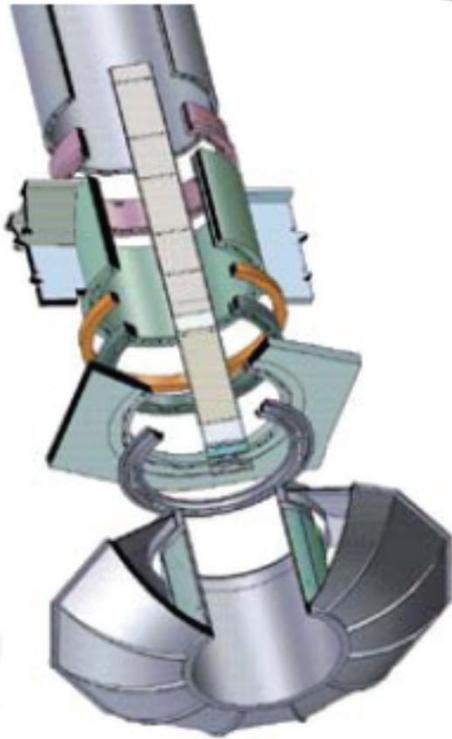
## concept

- gaseous RICH detector
- rather high Cherenkov threshold for pions ( $4.5\text{-}6 \text{ GeV}/c$ )  
→  $N_2$  radiator ( $\gamma_{th}=41$ ,  $p_{\pi,th}=5.6 \text{ GeV}/c$ )
- glass mirrors ( $4\text{-}6 \text{ mm}$ ,  $R=4.5\text{m}$ ) with vertical separation  
→ focus to upper & lower part of CBM  
→ photodetector shielded by magnet yoke
- photodetector plane: PMTs  
→ MAPMTs  
(e.g. Hamamatsu H8500 with UV windows)
- no further windows  
→ Cherenkov photons with  $\lambda \geq 200 \text{ nm}$   
→ 2.5 m radiator length (22 hits/ring)



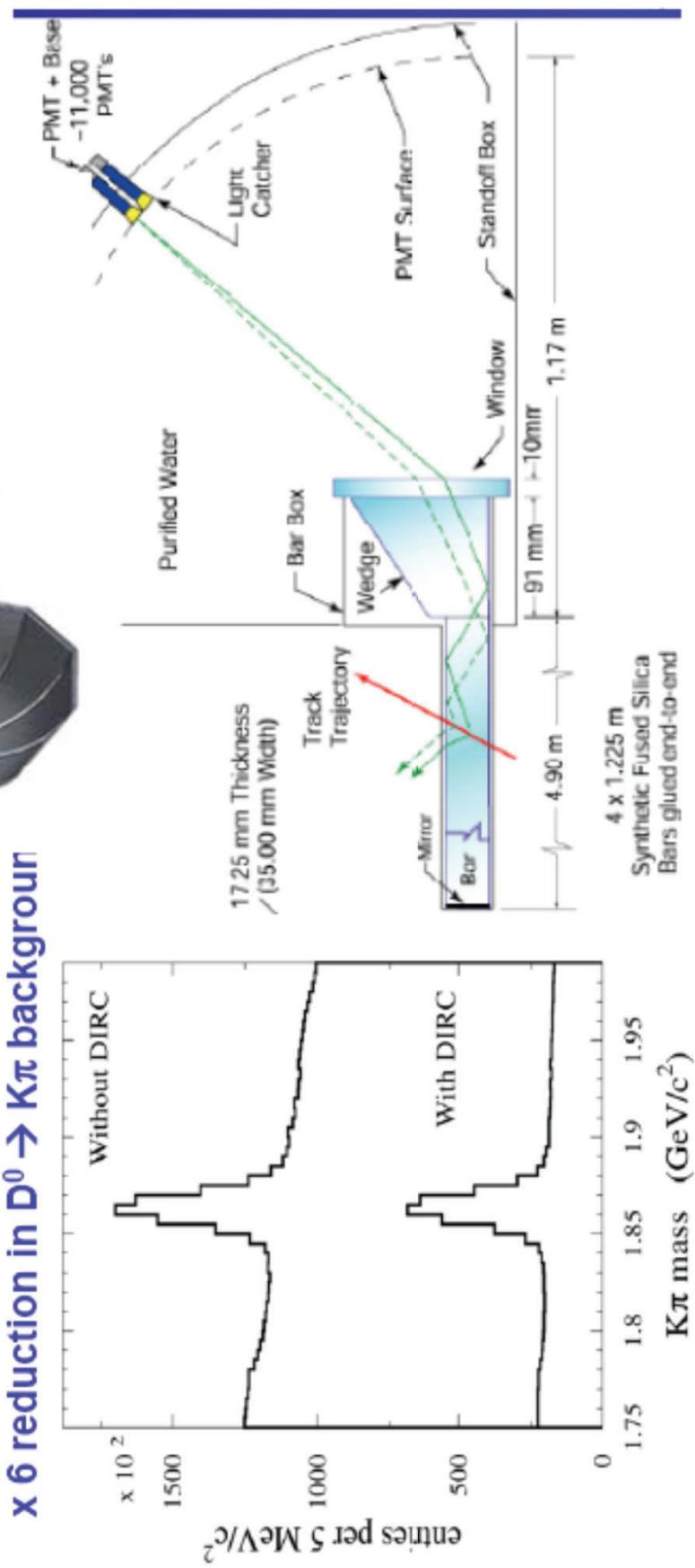


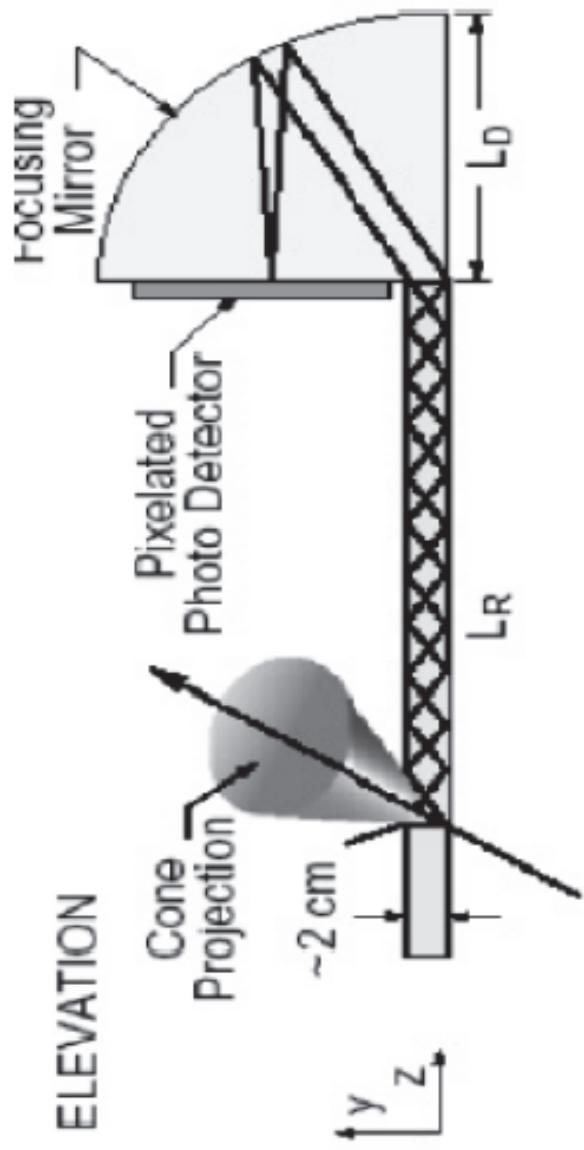
## Flavour physics – BABAR DIRC



11,000 PMTs: 29mm diameter  
 $\pi / K$  separation: 0.5 - 4 GeV/c

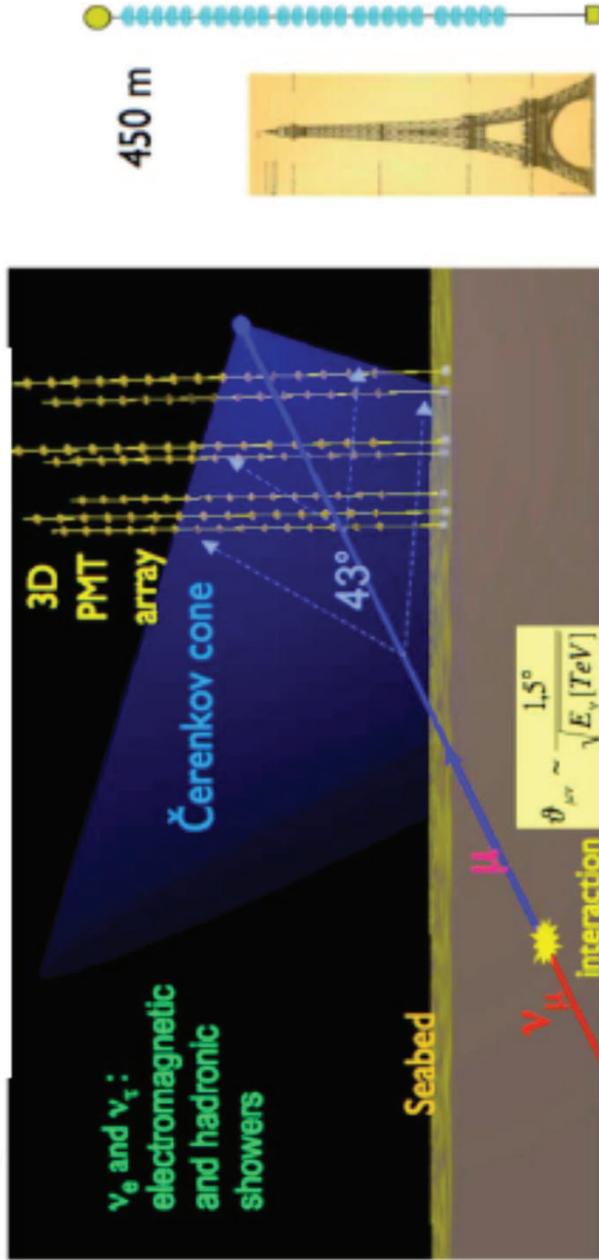
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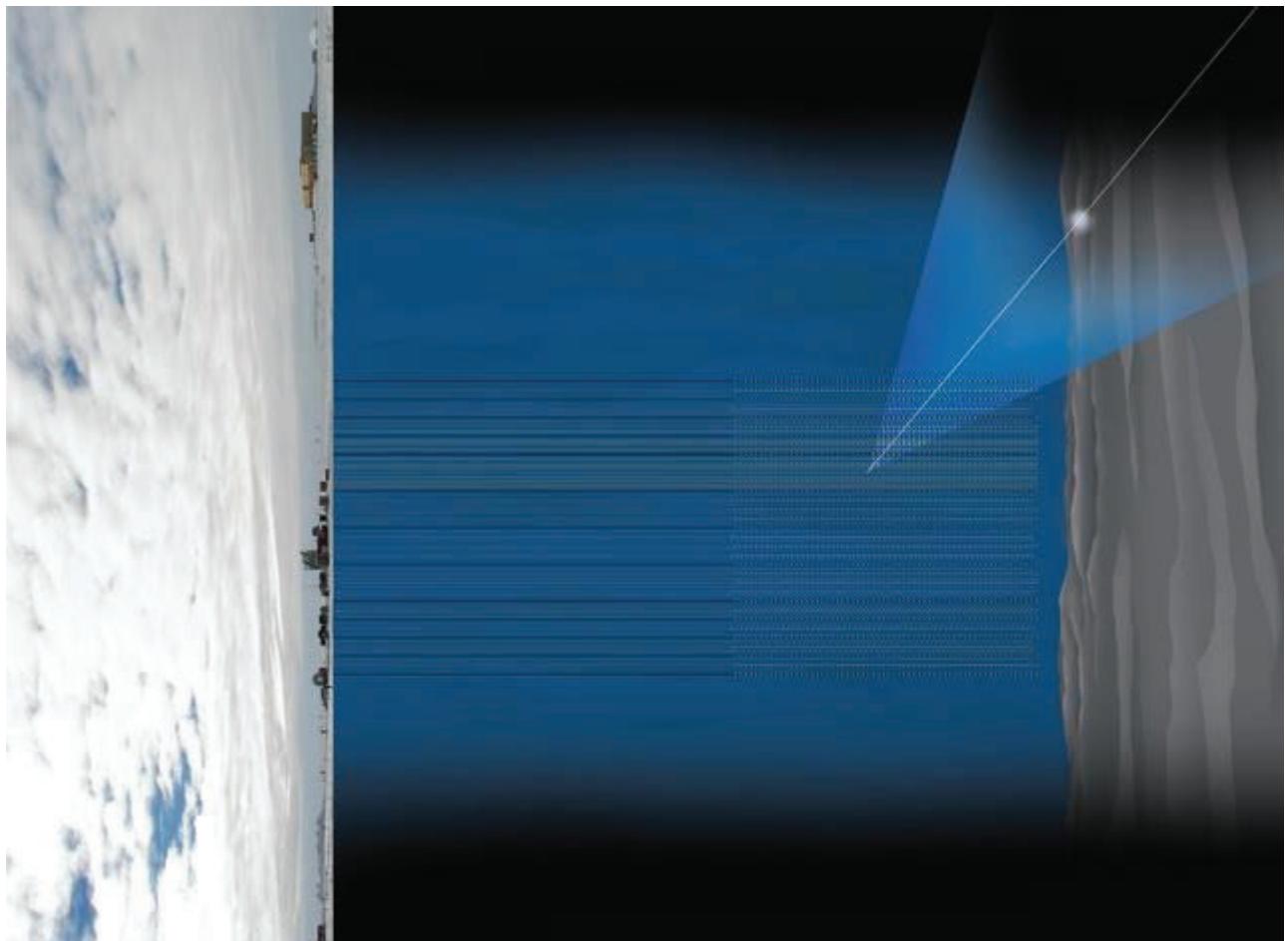


# Neutrino Astronomy ... how ?

Neutrinos can be detected using the visible Cherenkov radiation produced as the high-energy charged lepton (final state of CC interactions) propagates through a transparent medium with superluminal velocity.



Due to low fluxes expected, cubic-kilometer scale detector are required to perform HE neutrino astronomy ( $E \sim 100\text{GeV} - 10\text{ PeV}$ ) → **prototype** structures currently taking data.



**Ice cube**  
**Pictorial event**

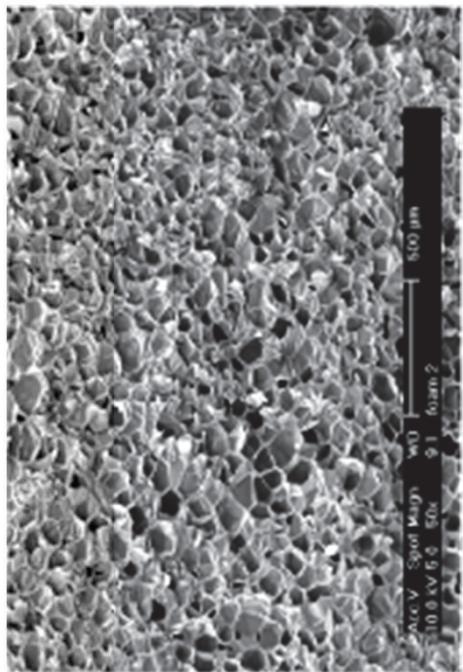
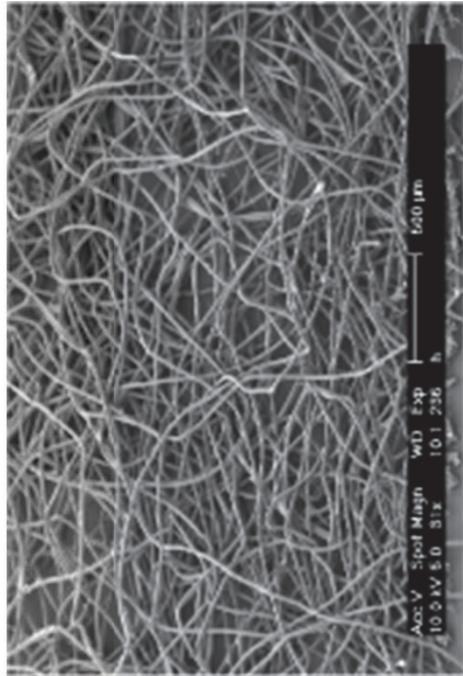
Selecting events coming from 'below'  
(using the earth as a filter/shield)

## Transition radiation detectors: the radiator

La radiazione di transizione è emessa quando una particella carica attraversa un mezzo con un indice di rifrazione discontinuo, e.g. alla superficie di separazione fra il vuoto ed un dielettrico.

### Energia emessa proporzionale a $\gamma$

The radiator is optimized to provide the best compromise between transition radiation yield, radiation thickness and mechanical stability. The final radiator consists of polypropylene fibre mats of 3.2 cm total thickness, sandwiched between two Rohacell foam sheets of 0.8 cm thickness each. The foam is reinforced by carbon fibre sheets with a thickness of 0.1 mm laminated onto the outer surface. The measured radiator performance, with a pion rejection factor of 100 at an electron efficiency of 90%, is as required.



## Photon interaction with matter

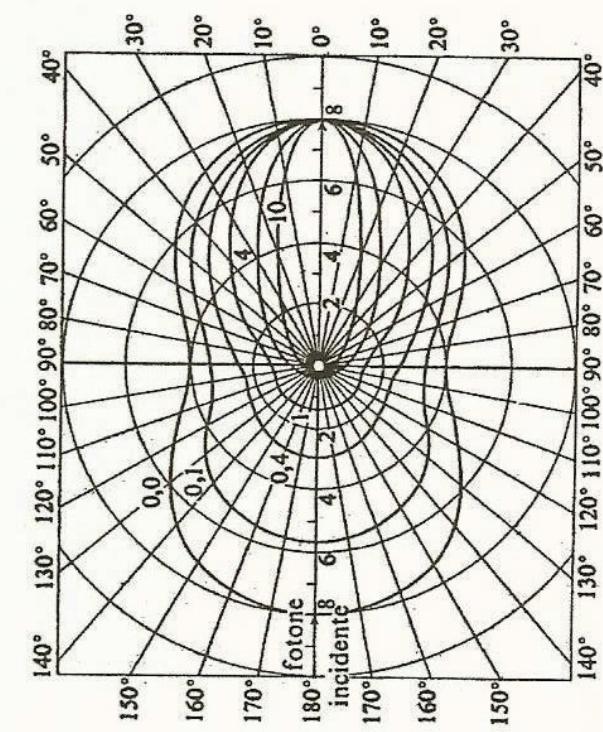


Fig 13.3 distribuzione angolare nell'effetto Compton

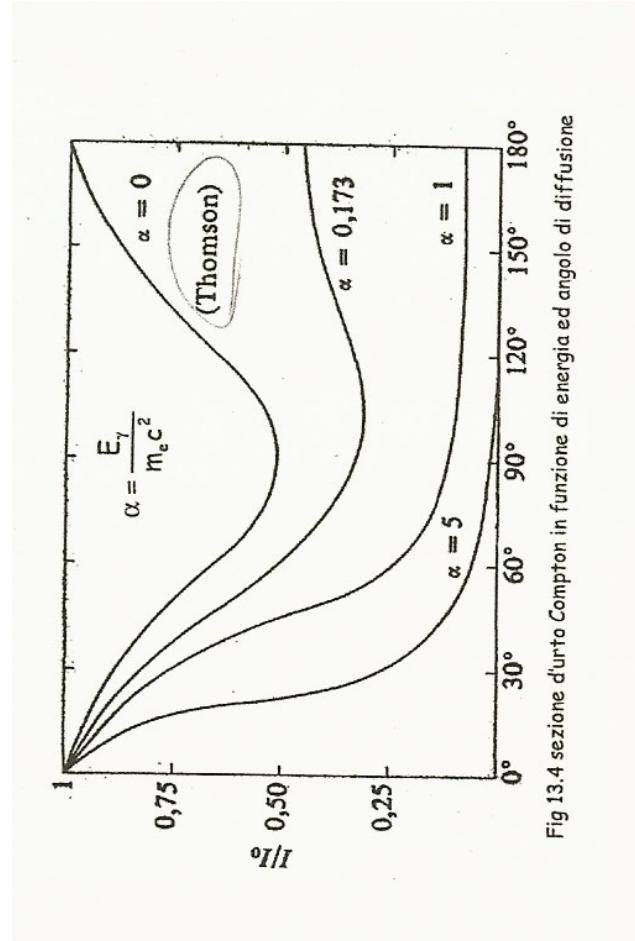
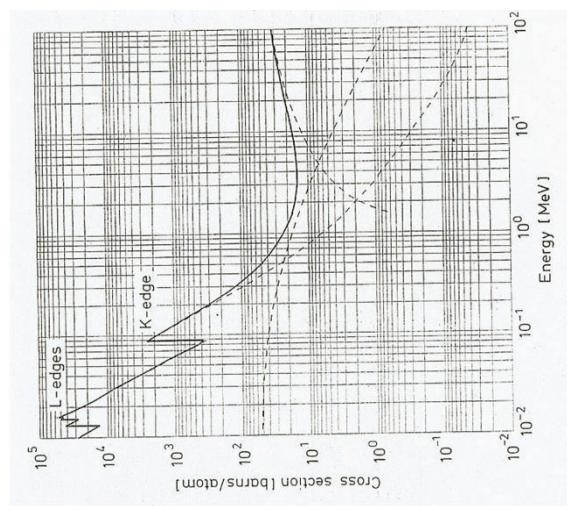
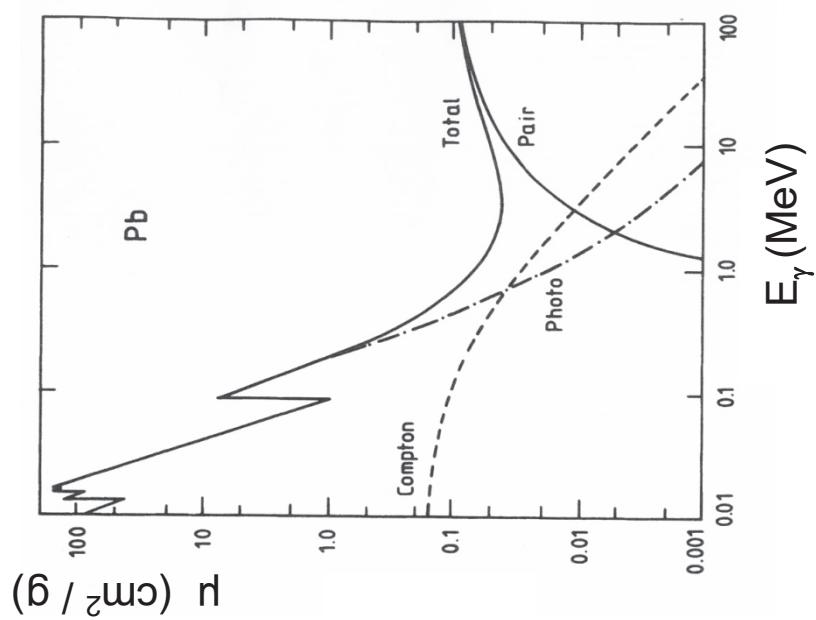
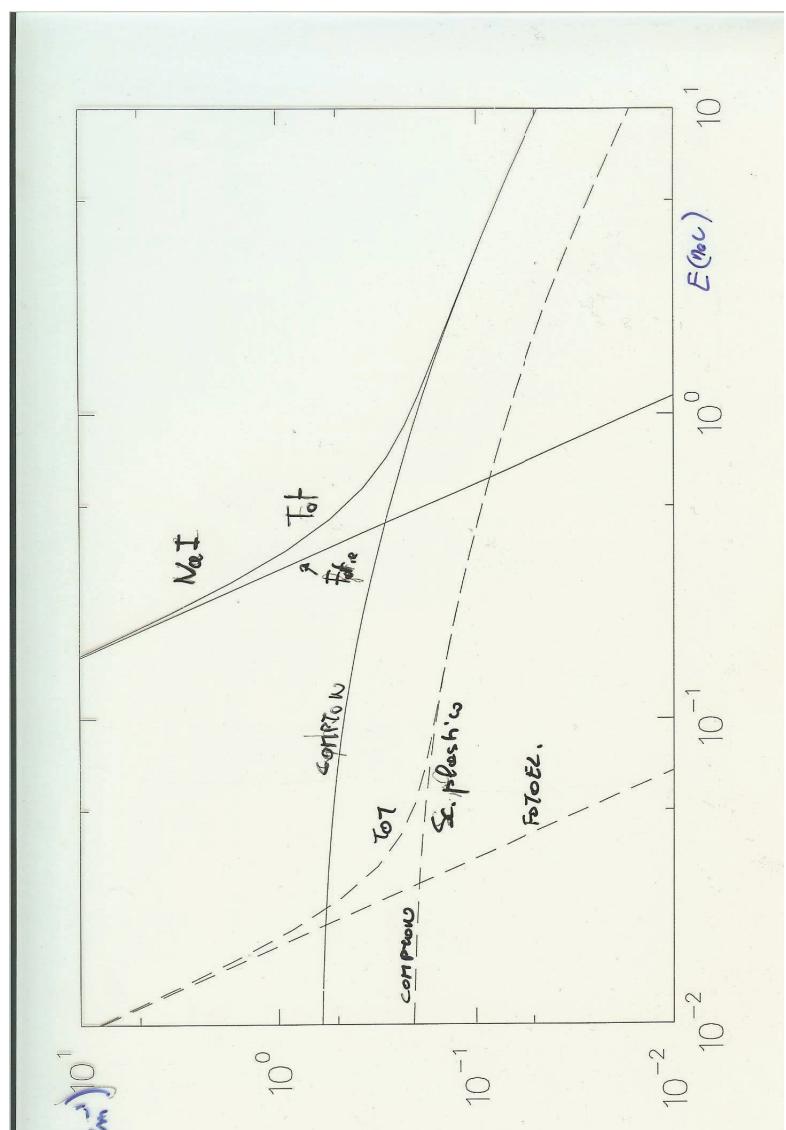
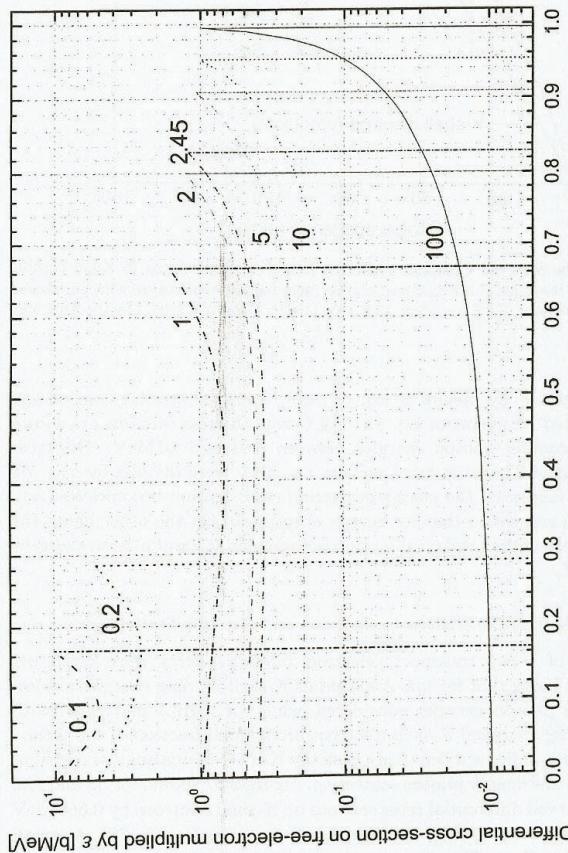
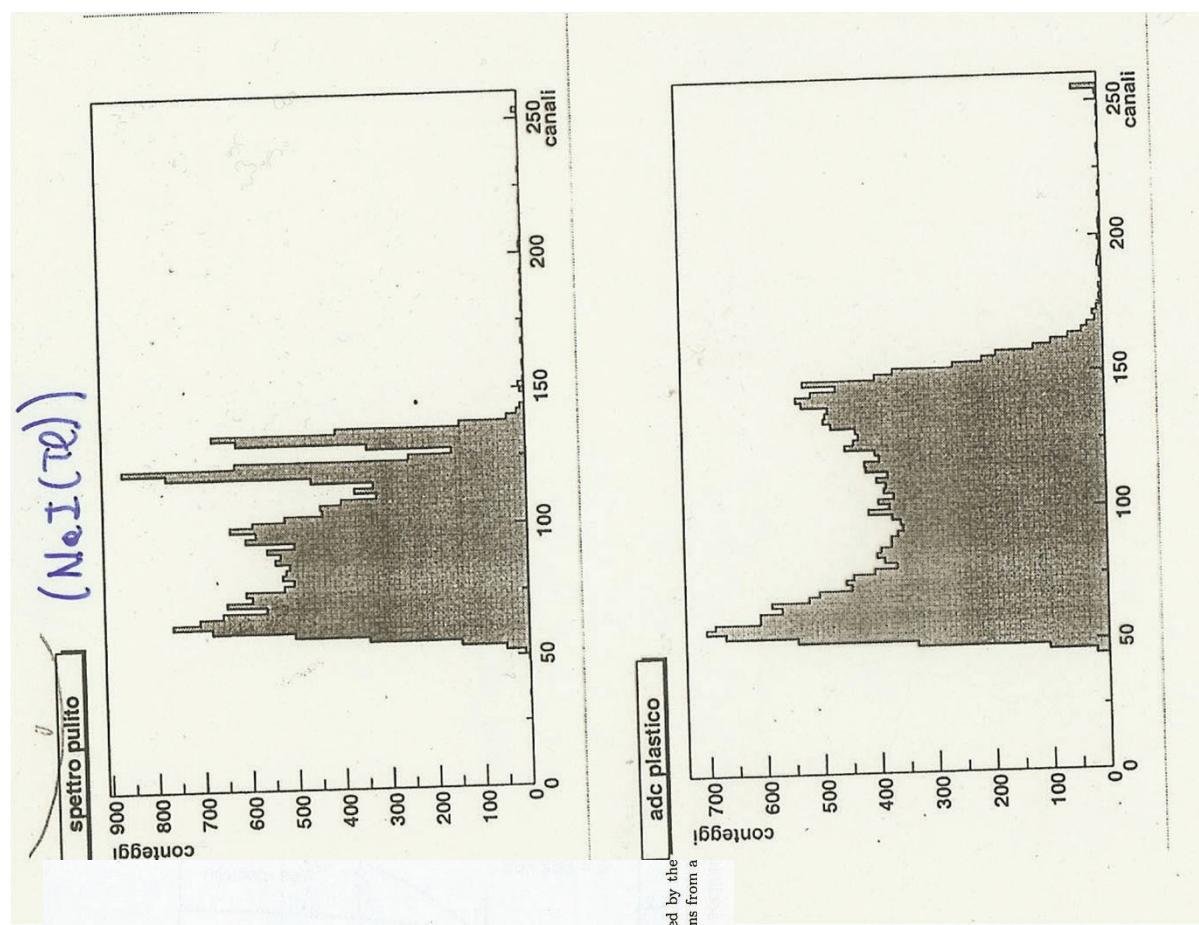


Fig 13.4 sezione d'urto Compton in funzione di energia ed angolo di diffusione





Differential cross-section on free-electron multiplied by  $E$  [b/MeV]

Fig. 2.55 Compton differential cross-sections on a free electron [Eq. (2.185)] multiplied by  $E$  as a function of the kinetic energy divided by the incoming photon energy [ $\gamma_e$ , see Eq. (2.184)]. The curves are for  $E = 0.1, 0.2, 1, 2, 2.45$  (i.e., it corresponds to the average energy of photons from a  $^{60}\text{Co}$  source), 5, 10 and 100.

Photon Energy, 5.11 keV

Photon Energy, 5.11 MeV

$$\alpha = \frac{5.11 \text{ keV}}{0.511 \text{ MeV}} = 0.010$$

$$E_{e(max)} = 5.11 \text{ keV} * \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0.01 \\ 2 & 1.02 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 0.10 \text{ keV}$$

$$hv'(\min) = 5.11 \text{ keV} * \frac{1}{1.02}$$

$$= 5.01 \text{ keV}$$

Energy transferred: 2%

Energy transferred: 95%

$$\alpha = \frac{5.11 \text{ MeV}}{0.511 \text{ MeV}} = 10$$

$$E_{e(max)} = 5.11 \text{ MeV} * \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 10 \\ 2 & 21 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 4.87 \text{ MeV}$$

$$hv'(\min) = 5.11 \text{ MeV} * \frac{1}{21}$$

$$= 0.24 \text{ MeV}$$

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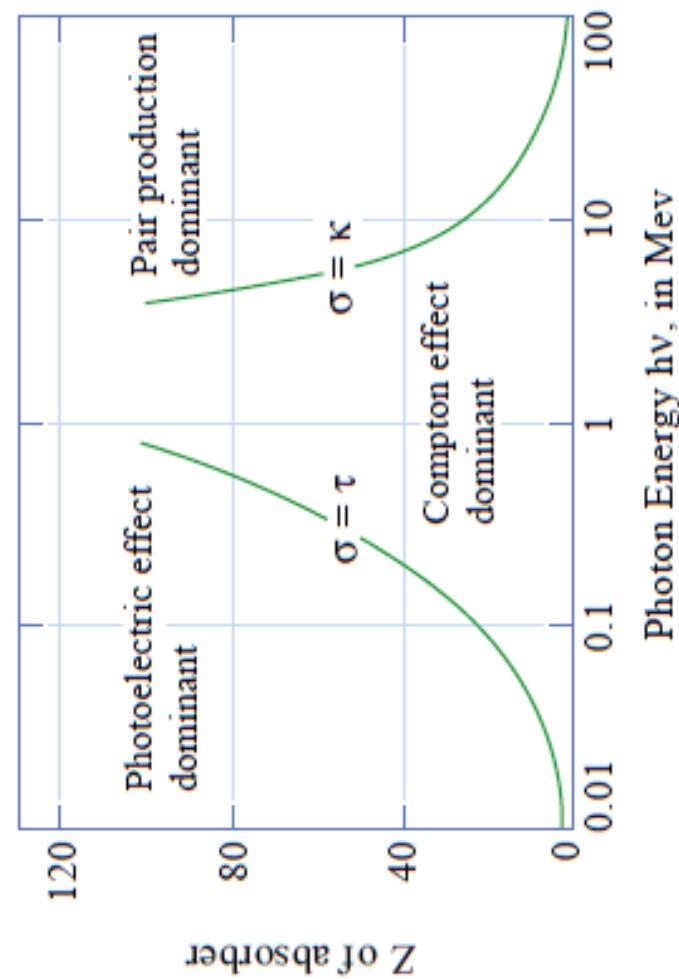
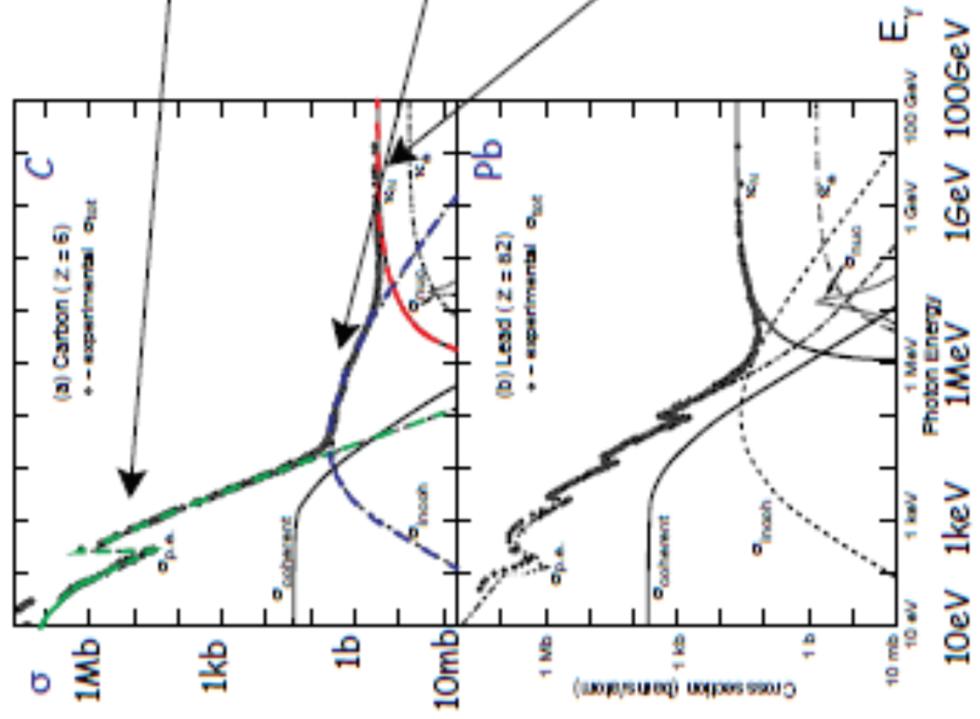


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# Interaction of Photons with Matter



Three effects are important:

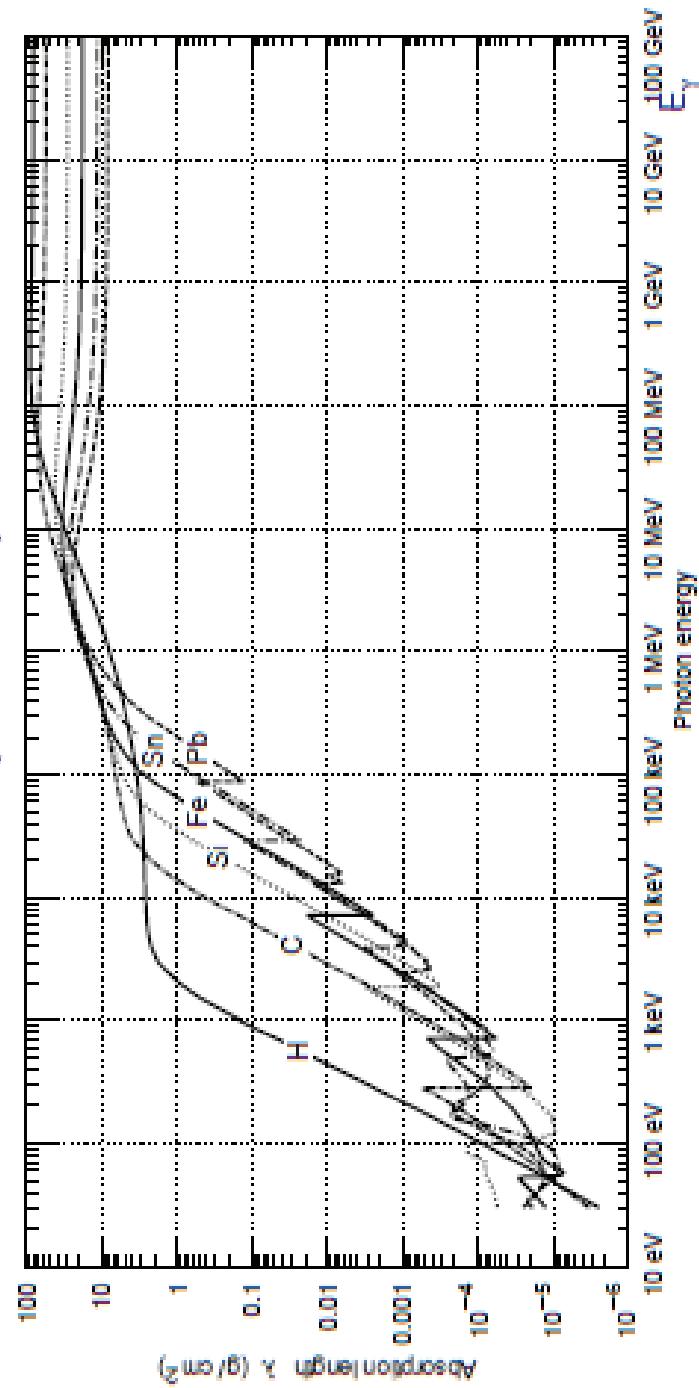
## Photon Absorption Length $\lambda_c$

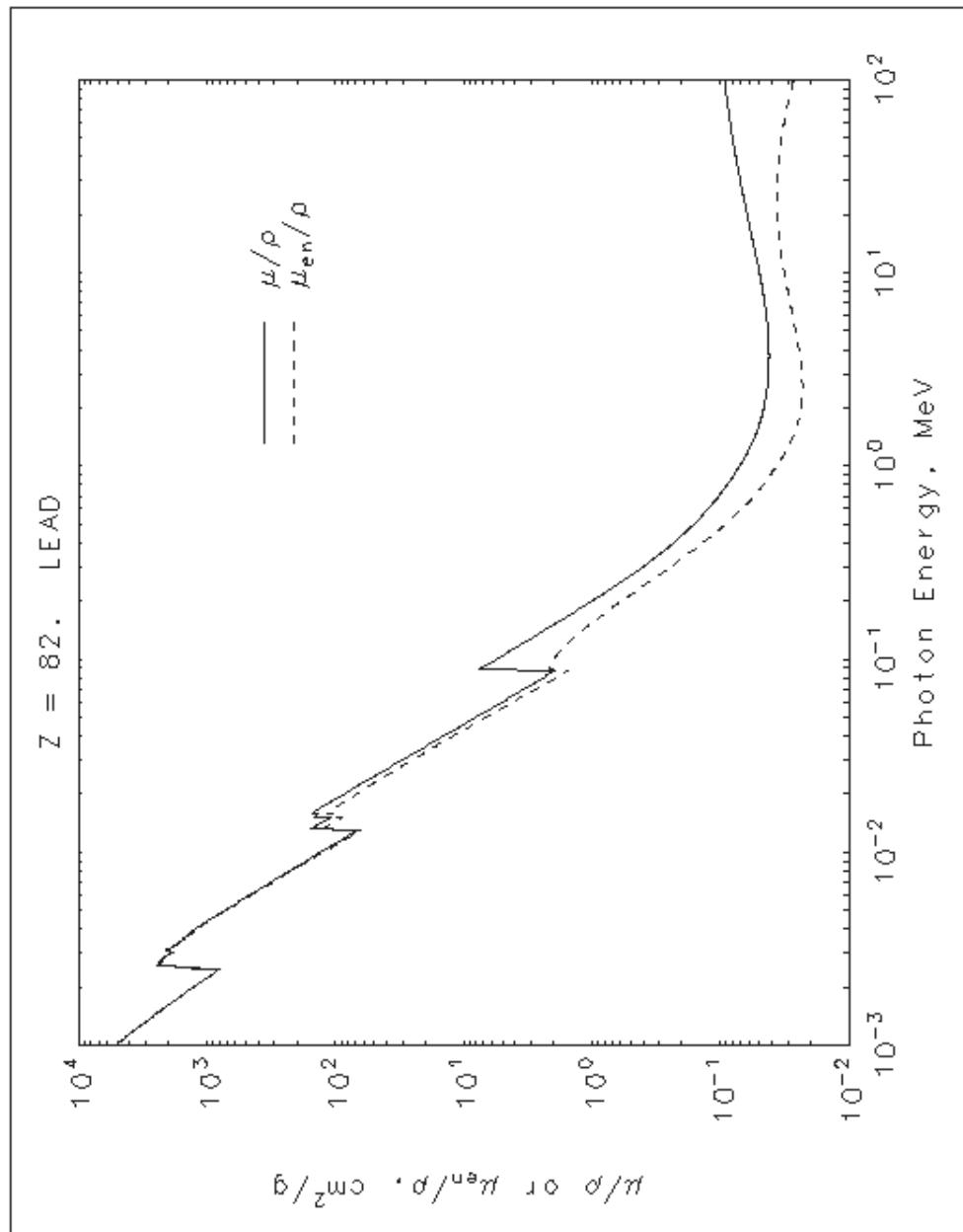
Definition of mass absorption coefficient:  $\lambda_c = \frac{1}{(\mu/\rho)} [g \text{ cm}^{-2}]$

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

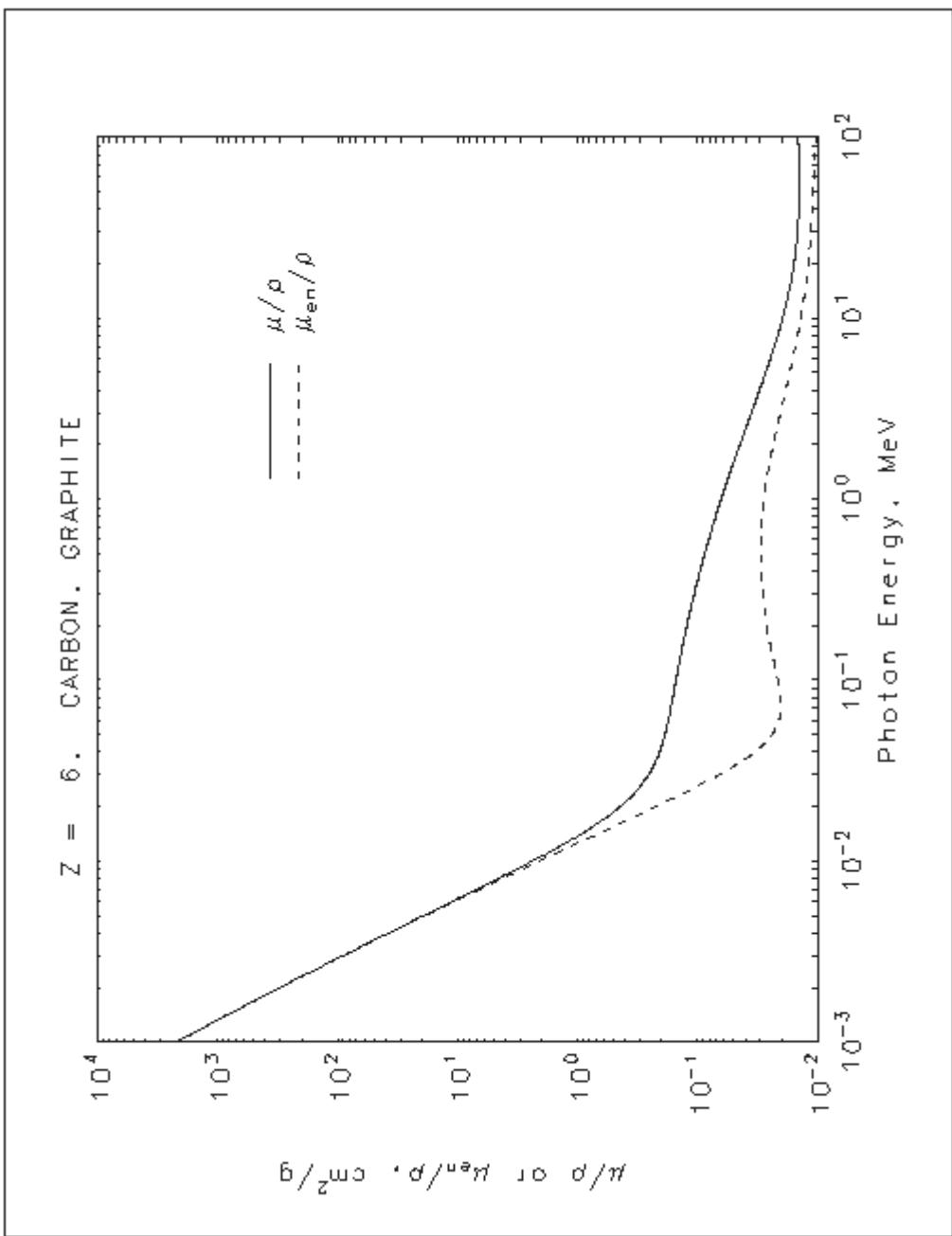
$$\sigma_{Compton} \propto \frac{\ln E}{E \cdot Z}$$

$$\sigma_{Pair} \propto Z^2$$



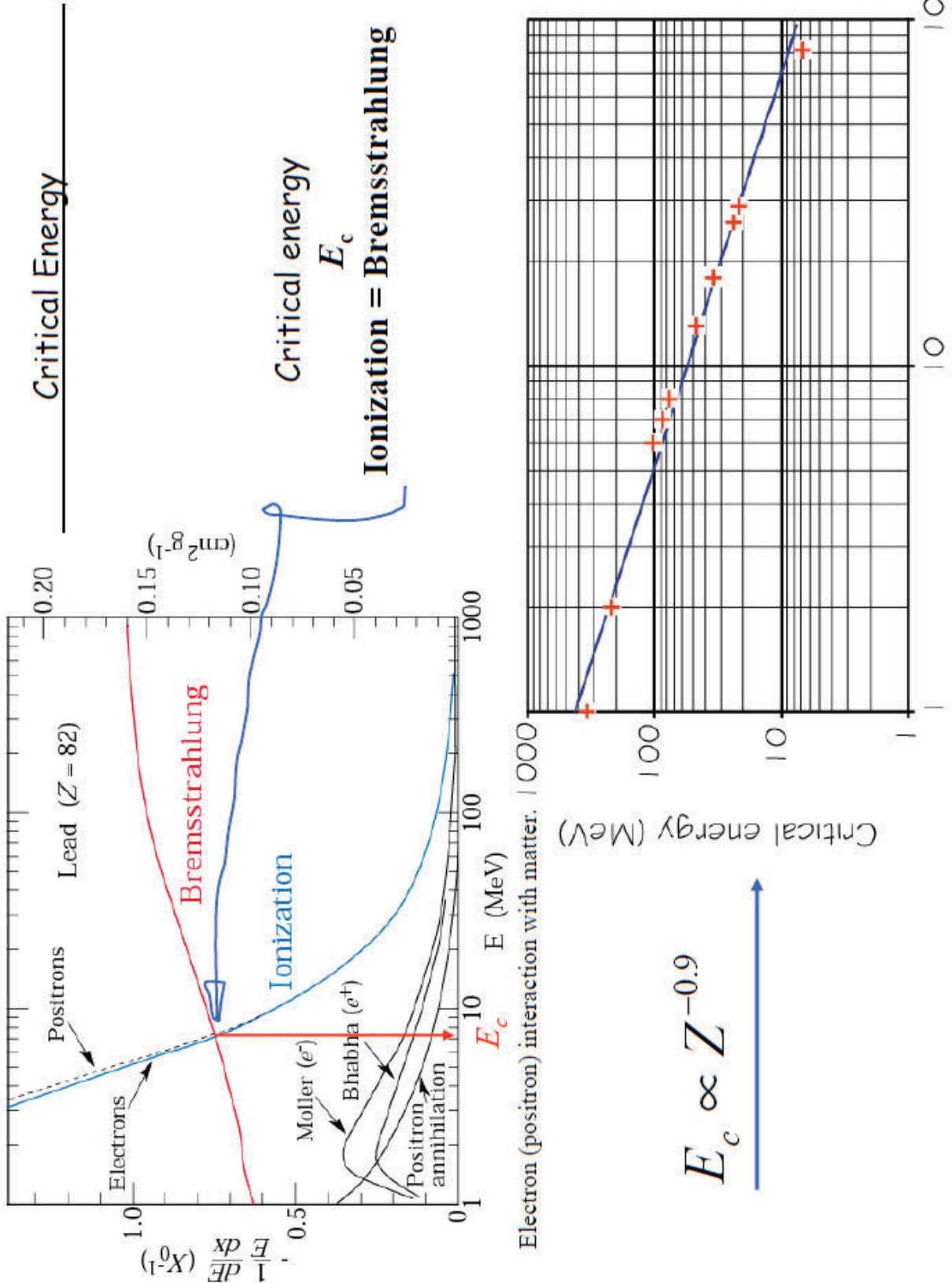


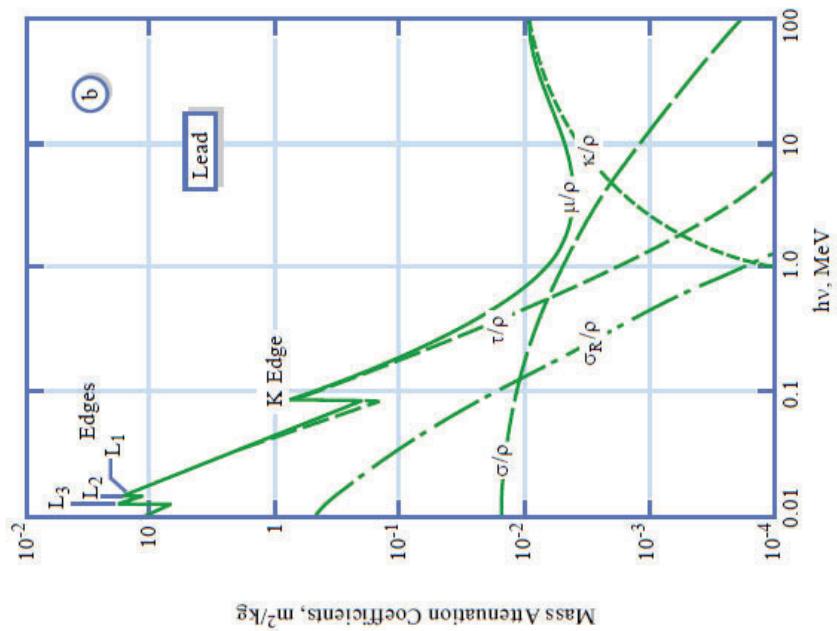
Photon linear absorption coefficient



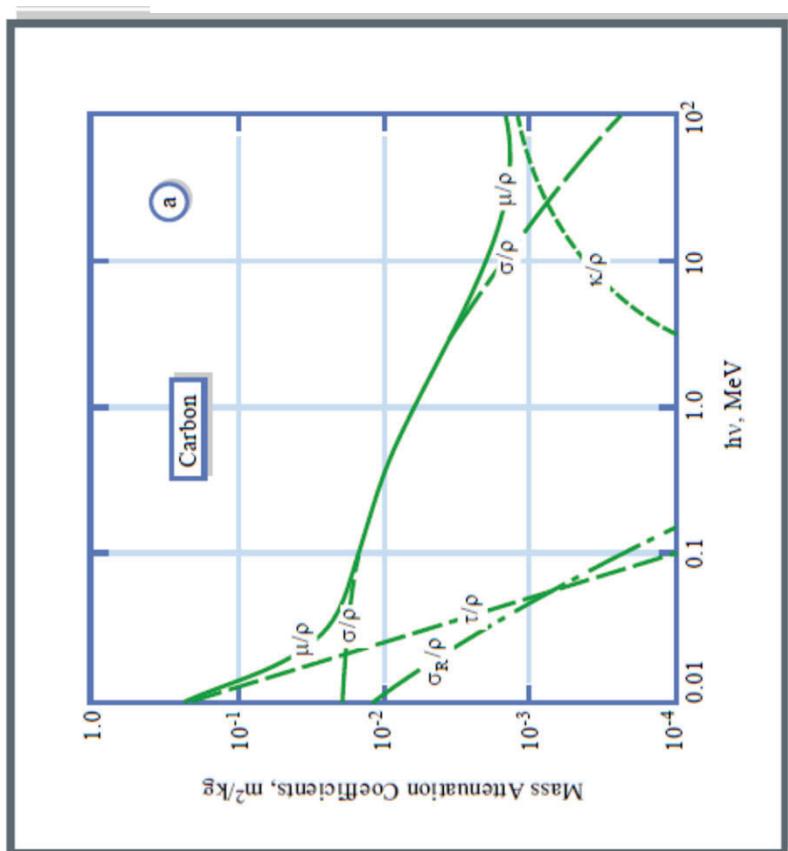
Photon linear attenuation coefficient

## Pair production





Mass attenuation coefficients for carbon (a) and lead (b).  $\tau/\rho$  indicates the contribution of the photoelectric effect.  $\sigma/\rho$  is that of the Compton effect.  $\kappa/\rho$  that of pair production, and  $\sigma_R/\rho$  that of Rayleigh (coherent) scattering.  $\mu/\rho$  is their sum, which is closely approximated in Pb by the  $\tau/\rho$  curve below  $\hbar\nu = 0.1$  MeV.



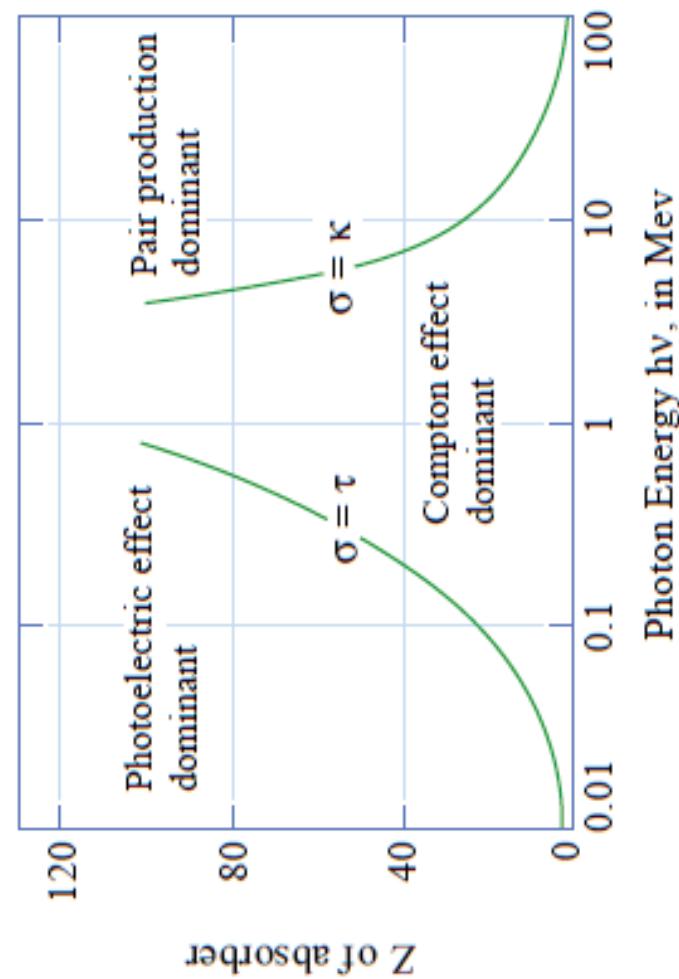


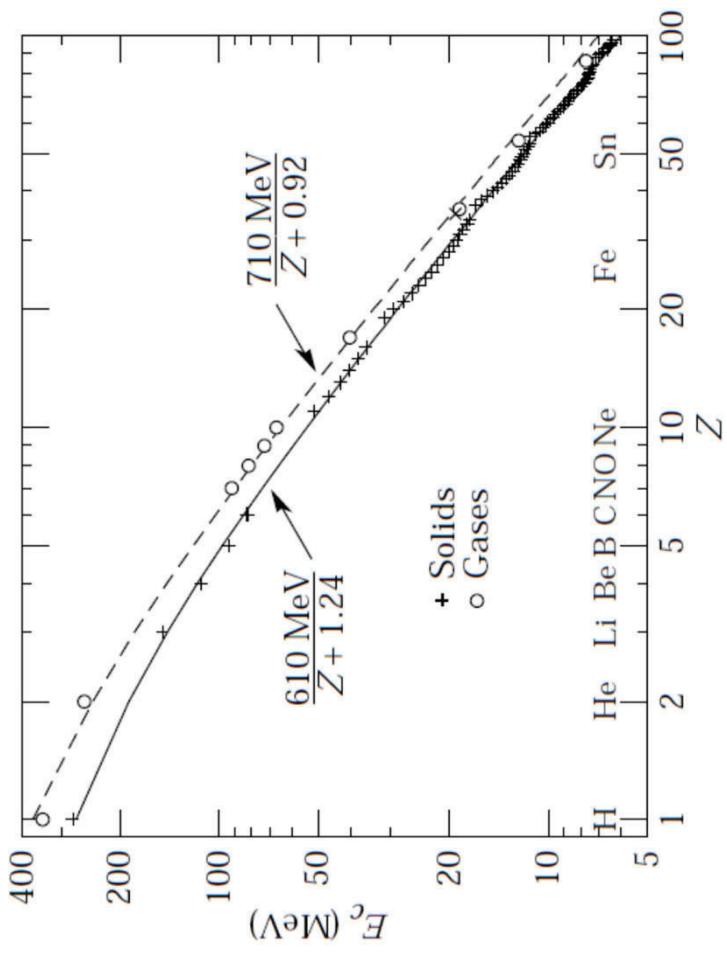
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**Table 2.3.** Radiation lengths for various absorbers

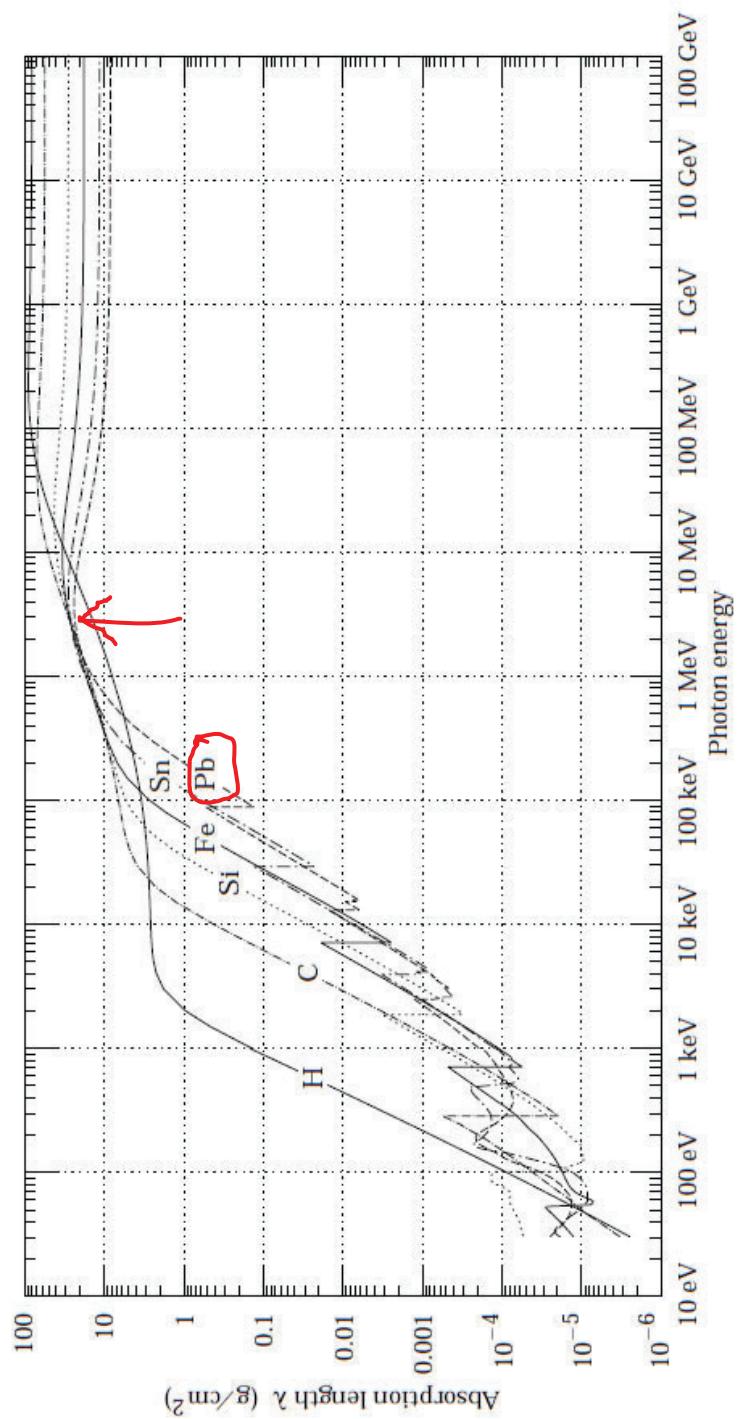
Material	[gm/cm <sup>2</sup> ]	[cm]
Air	36.20	30050
H <sub>2</sub> O	36.08	36.1
NaI	9.49	2.59
Polystyrene	43.80	42.9
Pb	6.37	0.56
Cu	12.86	1.43
Al	24.01	8.9
Fe	13.84	1.76
BGO	7.98	1.12
BaF <sub>2</sub>	9.91	2.05
Scint.	43.8	42.4

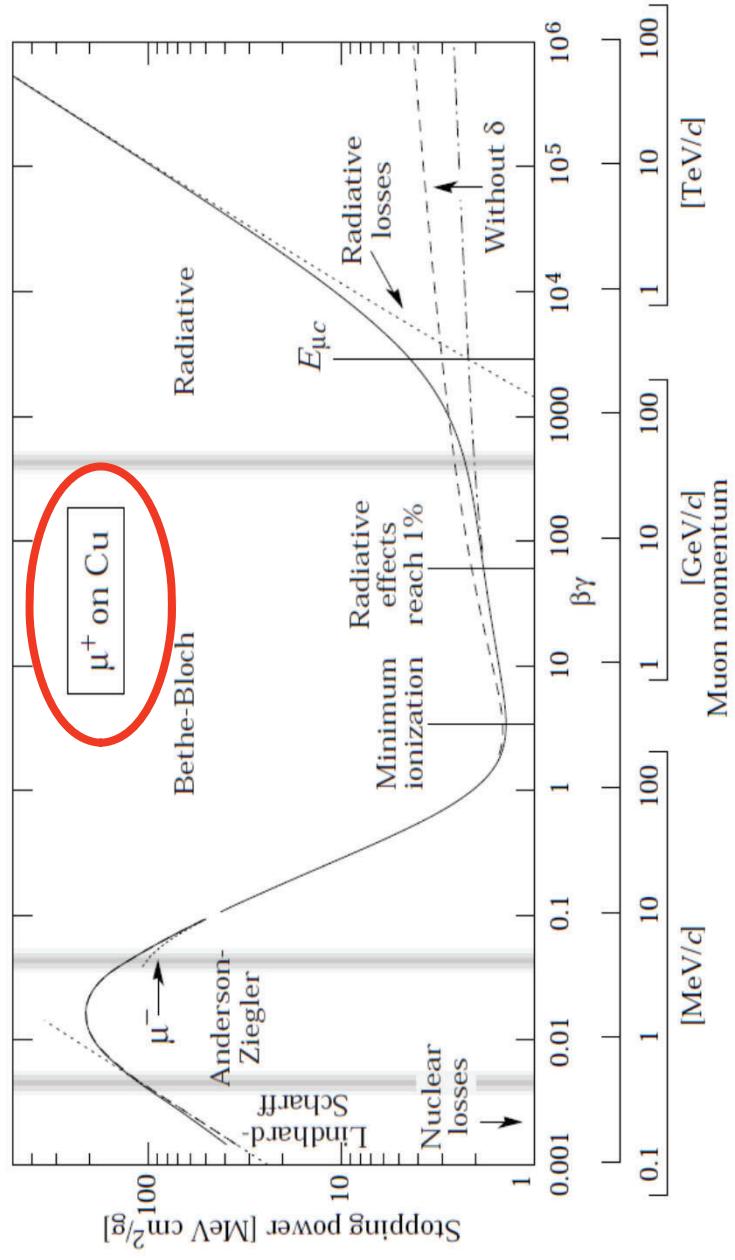
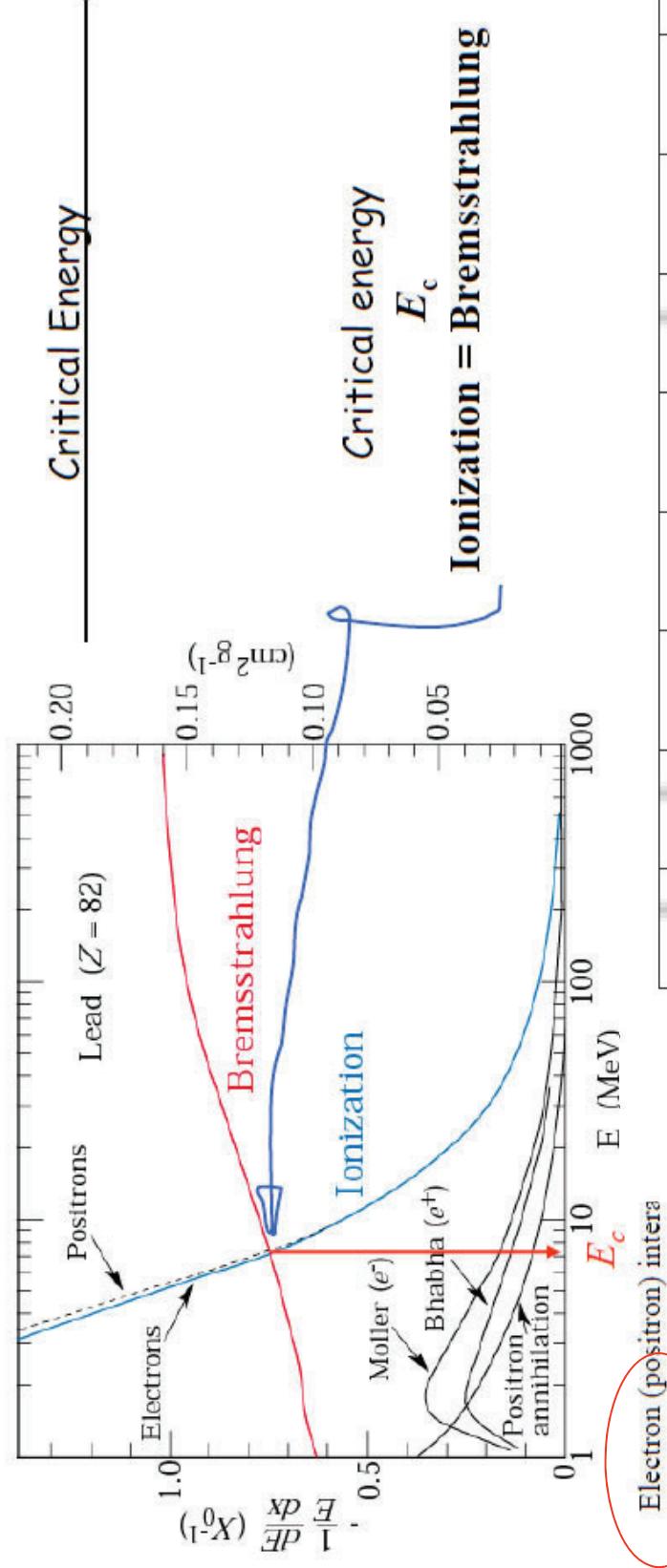
**Table 2.2.** Critical energies of some materials

Material	Critical energy [MeV]
Pb	9.51
Al	51.0
Fe	27.4
Cu	24.8
Air (STP)	102
Lucite	100
Polystyrene	109
NaI	17.4
Anthracene	105
H <sub>2</sub> O	92



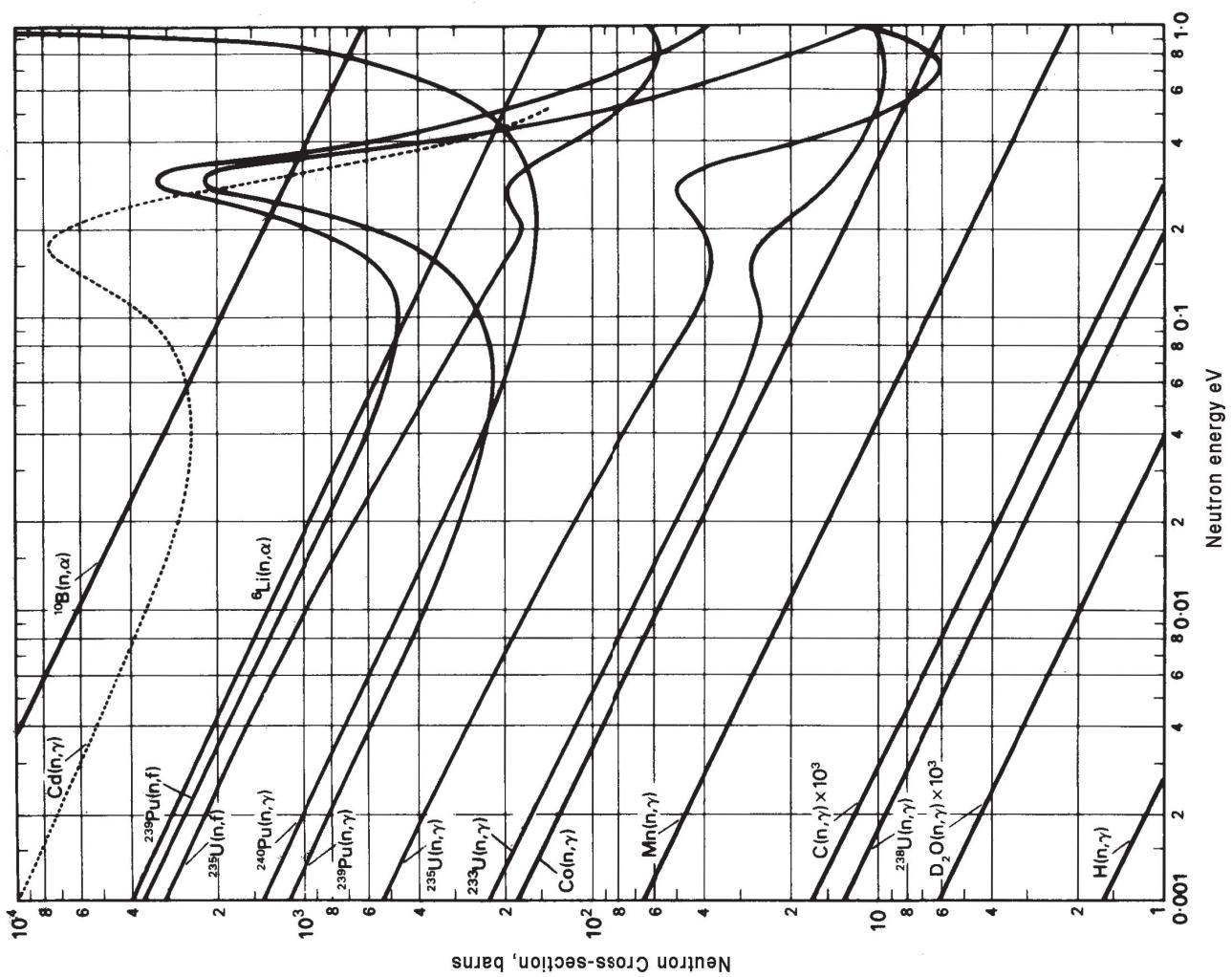
**Figure 27.13:** Electron critical energy for the chemical elements, using Rossi's definition [2]. The fits shown are for solids and liquids (solid line) and gases (dashed line). The rms deviation is 2.2% for the solids and 4.0% for the gases. (Computed with code supplied by A. Fassó.)

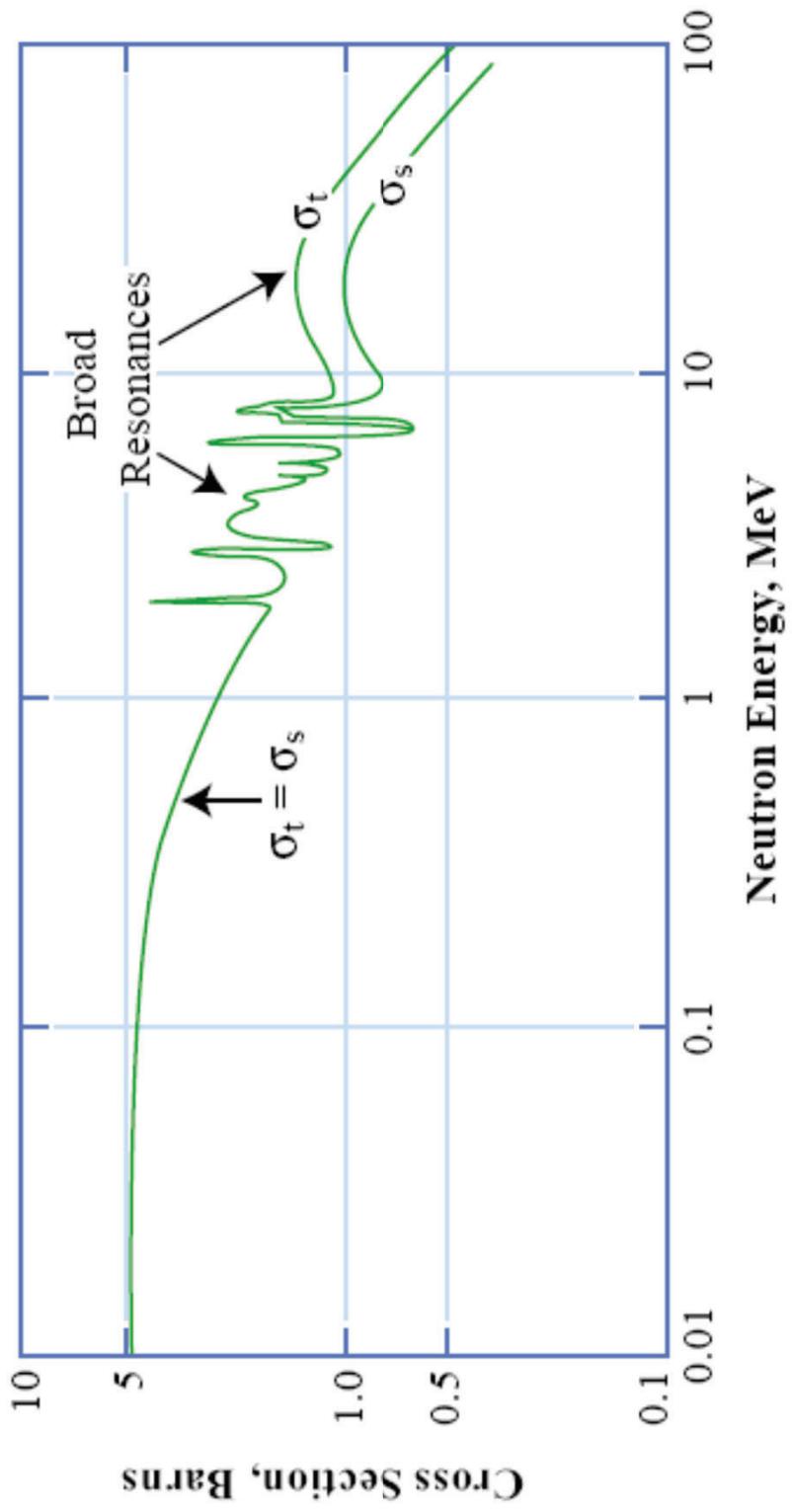




$$E_c \propto Z^{-1}$$





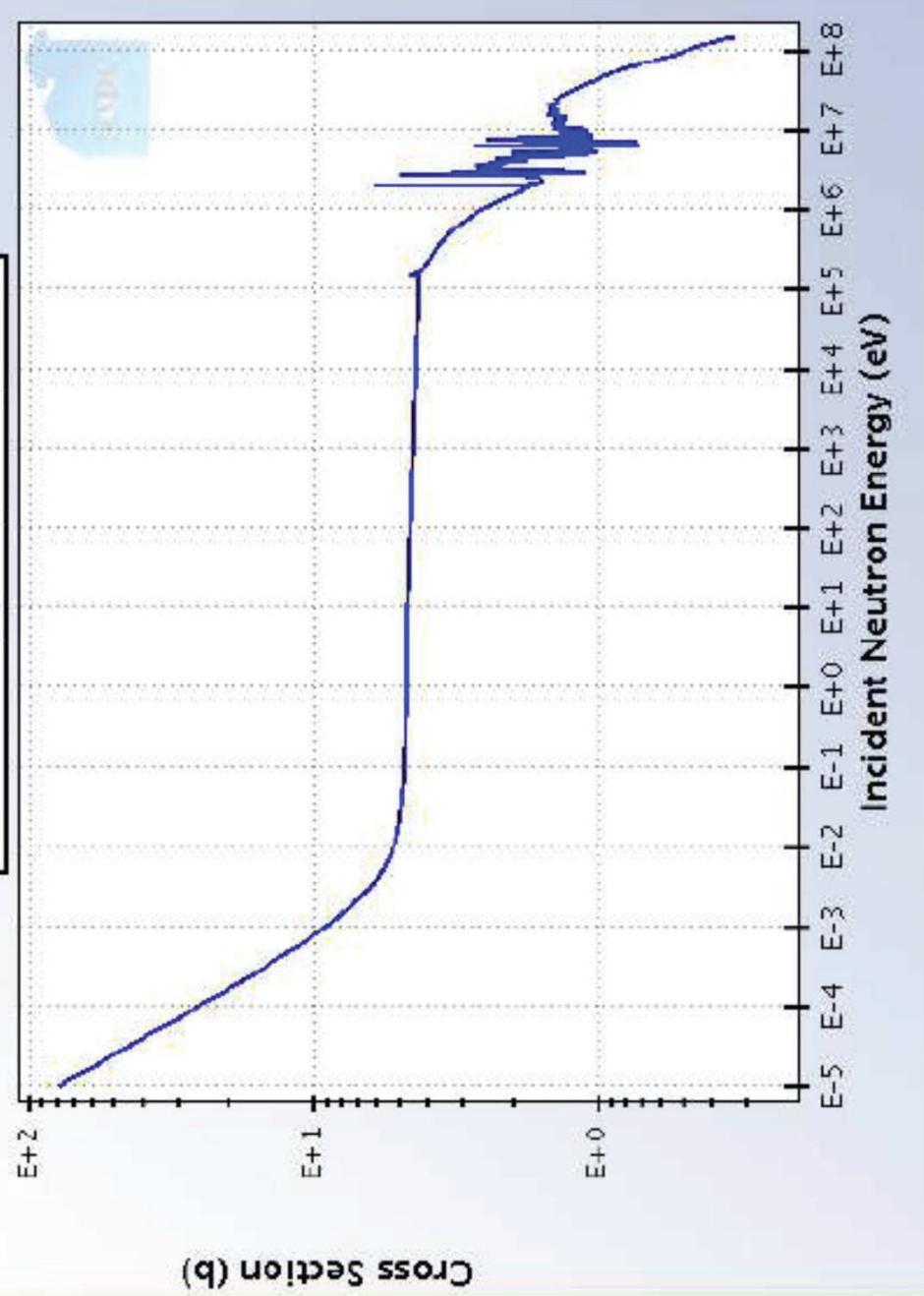




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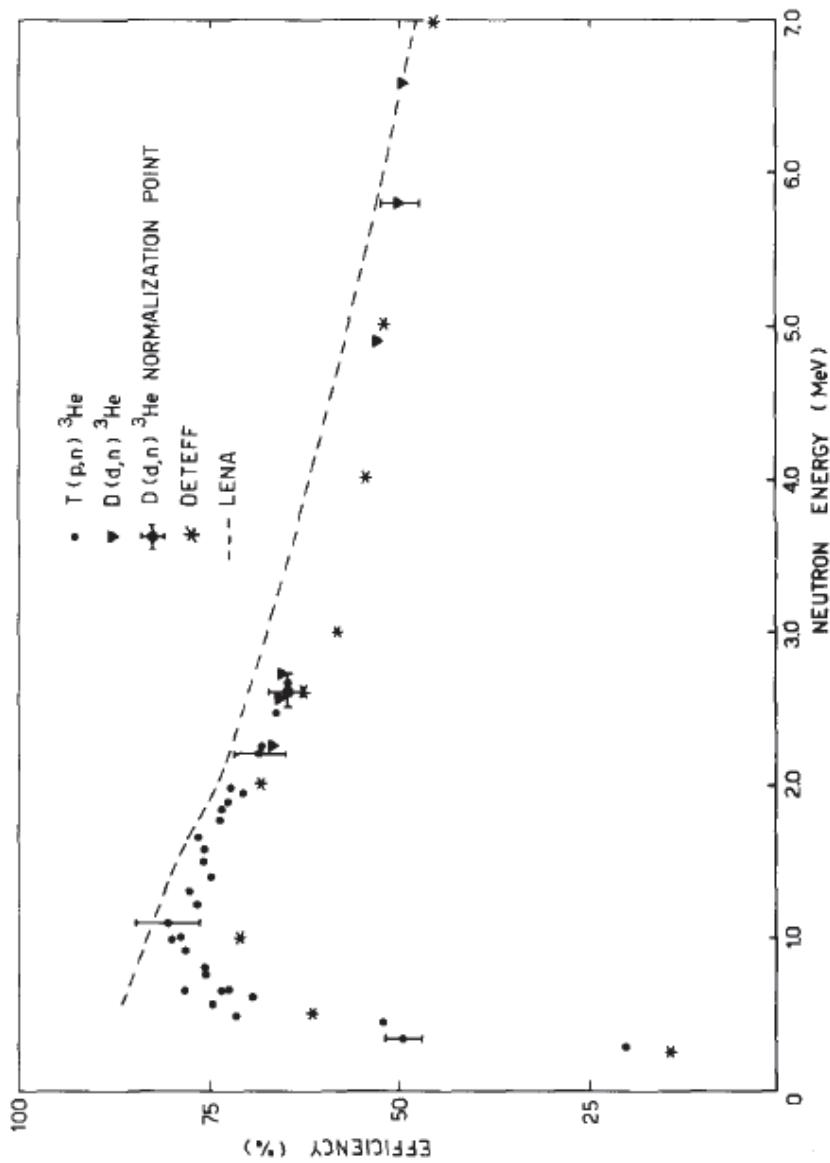
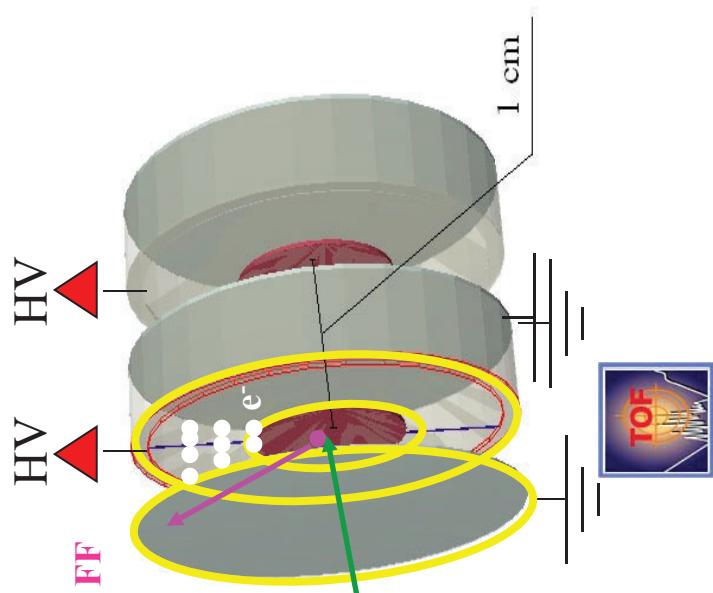


Fig. 1. Experimental neutron detection efficiency of the 10.0 cm × 10.0 cm NE104 scintillator. DETEFF and LENA refer to the Monte Carlo calculations of refs. 7, 8.

# Principio di funzionamento

- La camera a ionizzazione è composta da uno stack di celle che si ripetono modularmente
- ogni cella è composta da 3 elettrodi
  - finestra di Al messa a terra
  - supporto di Al, connesso a High Voltage (il target è “dipinto” su entrambi i lati del supporto)
  - finestra di Al messa a terra
- quando un  $n$  colpisce il target, può causare fissione. Il  $FF$  è emesso nel gas e lo ionizza. Si formano copie **elettrone-ione** e gli **elettroni** driftano verso l'elettrodo a potenziale maggiore



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# Pulse shape analysis

- La perdita specifica di energia ( $-dE/dx$ ) di particelle cariche in un mezzo è descritta dalla formula di Bethe:

**carica (e) e rest mass (m)  
dell' elettrone**

**densità atomica (N), numero atomico (Z) e  
potenziale di ionizzazione (I) del mezzo**

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{4\pi e^4 N Z I}{m_0 v^2} - \ln\left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) - \frac{v^2}{c^2}$$

The equation is annotated with arrows pointing to specific terms:

- A green arrow points to the term  $\frac{4\pi e^4 N Z I}{m_0 v^2}$ .
- A red arrow points to the term  $\ln\left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)$ .
- A blue arrow points to the term  $\frac{v^2}{c^2}$ .

**carica (ze) e velocità (v) della  
particella che provoca ionizzazione**

- I termini elevati al quadrato incidono maggiormente
- A parità di cammino particelle con numero atomico maggiore (z) perdono più energia nel mezzo.



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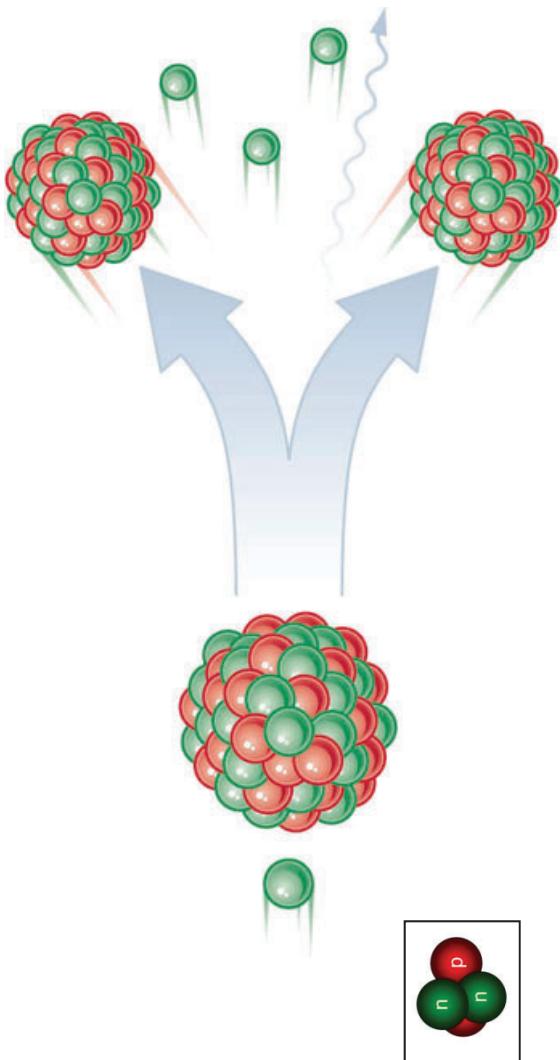
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## Il metodo del rapporto

- La corrente di particelle uscenti è determinata contando il numero di FFs

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$$R_b = \sigma I_a N \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} R_b = \text{emission rate} \\ N = \text{nuclei/area} \\ I_a = \text{neutron "beam" intensity?} \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{c} \longrightarrow \text{Determinato contando i FFs} \\ \longrightarrow \text{Nota se nota la geometria del campione} \\ \longrightarrow \text{Ratio method} \end{array}$$



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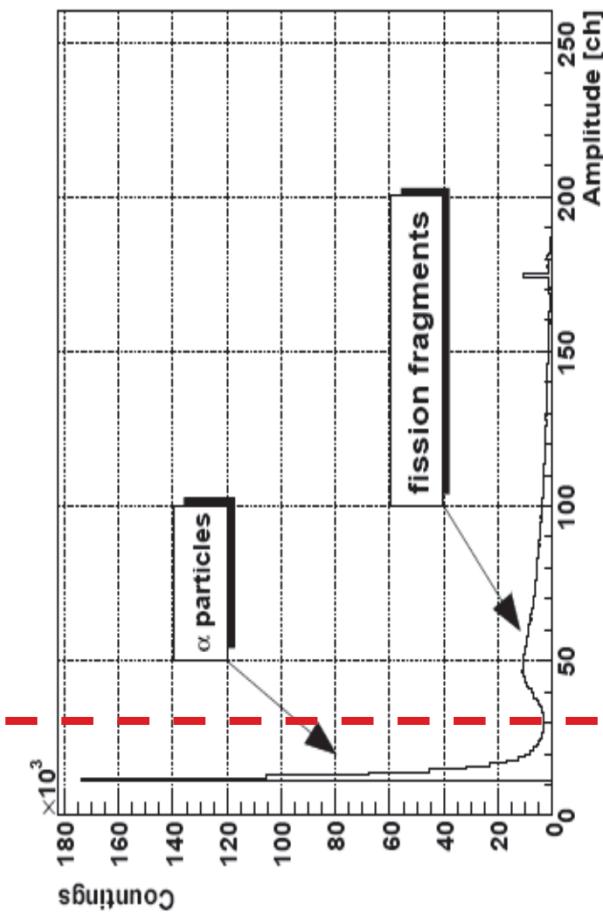


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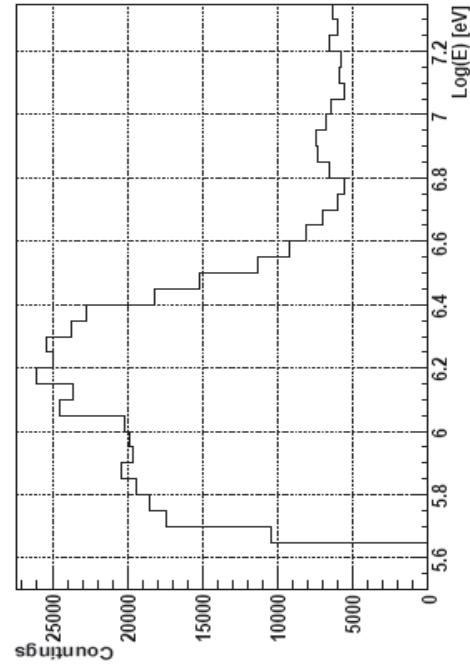


# Estrazione $\sigma_{(n,f)}(E_n)$

- Come visto prima i FFs possono venire isolati in base all'analisi della forma dell'impulso del segnale indotto dalla fissione



- Si riempie l'istogramma del # di FFs rivelati in corrispondenza di ogni  $E_n$



$$\sigma_{xxx(n,f)} = \sigma_{235ENDF(n,f)} \cdot \frac{Y_{xxx}}{Y_{235}} \cdot \frac{m_{235}}{m_{xxx}} \cdot \frac{A_{xxx}}{A_{235}}$$



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