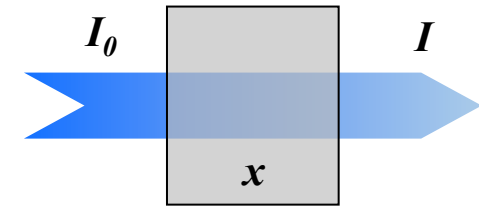
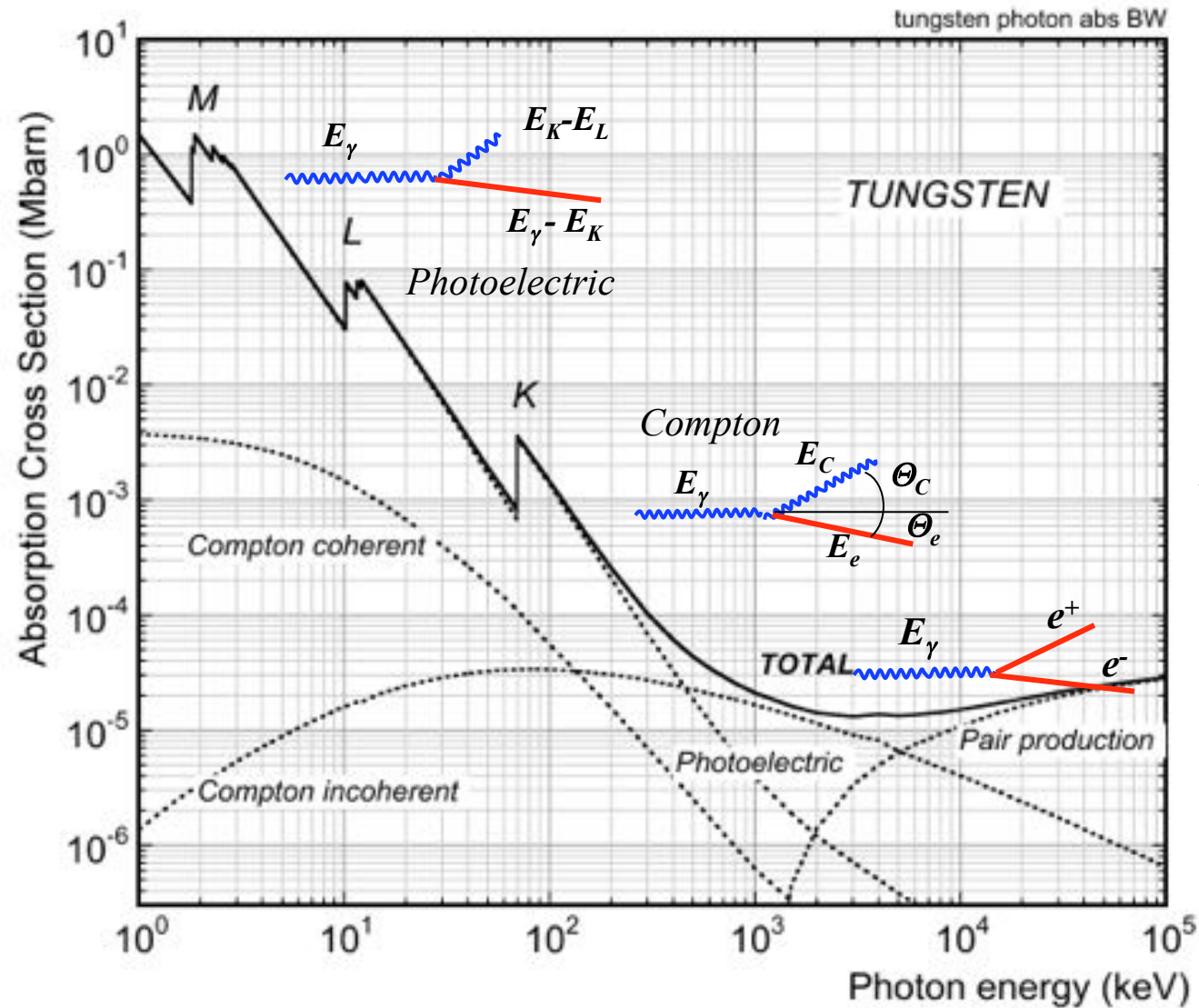


PART 1
PHOTON DETECTION AND
IMAGING WITH GASEOUS
COUNTERS

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I_0 : Incoming flux

I : Outgoing flux

$$I = I_0 e^{-\alpha x}$$

Absorption coefficient (cm^{-1}):

$$\alpha = \frac{N_A \rho}{A} \sigma$$

Absorption length (cm):

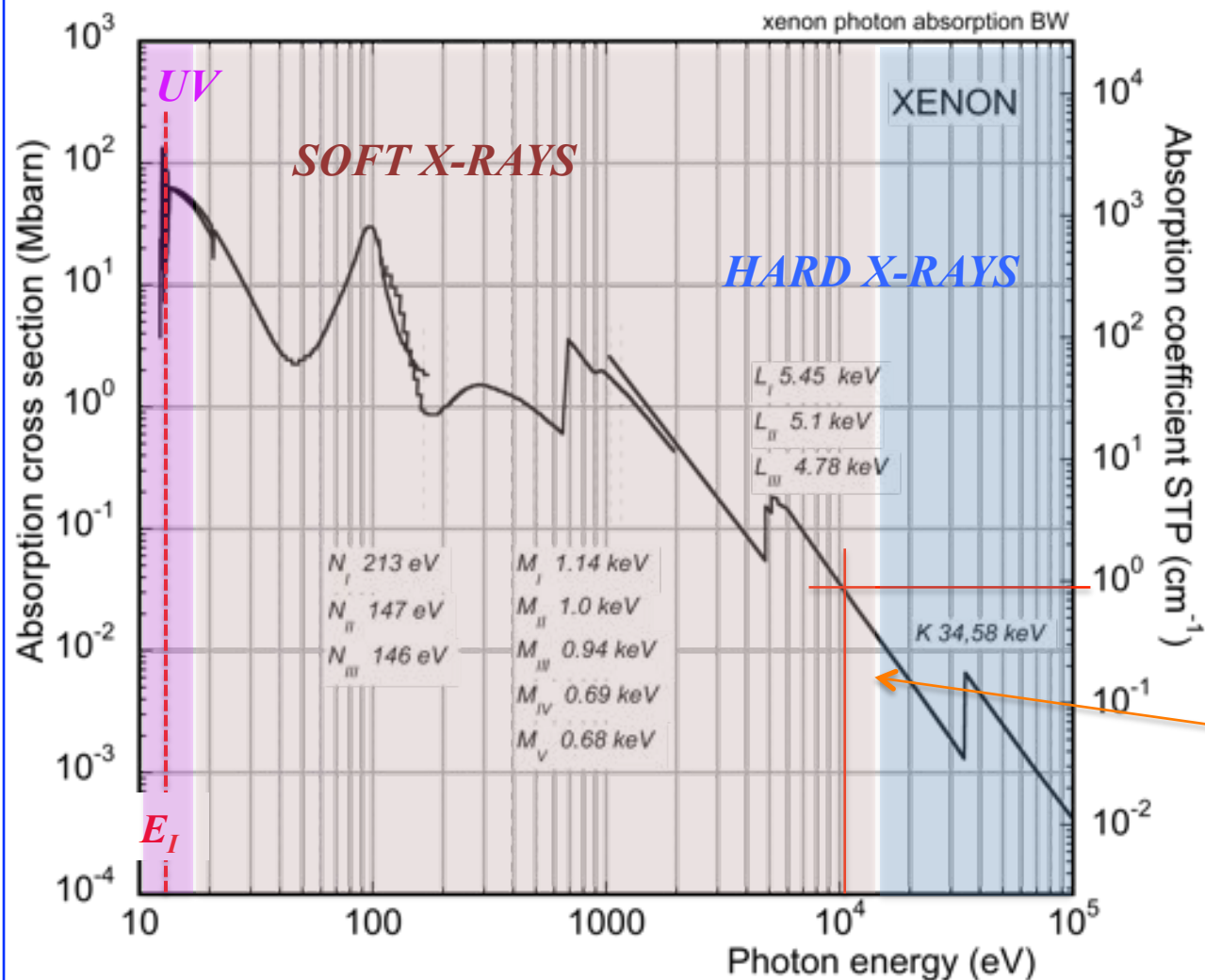
$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\alpha}$$

ρ : density (g cm^{-3})

N : atoms (molecules) cm^{-3}

σ : absorption cross section (cm^2)

A : Avogadro number



1 Mbarn = 10⁻¹⁸ cm²

For gases at STP:

$$\alpha_{STP}(\text{cm}^{-1}) = 26.87\sigma(\text{Mbarn})$$

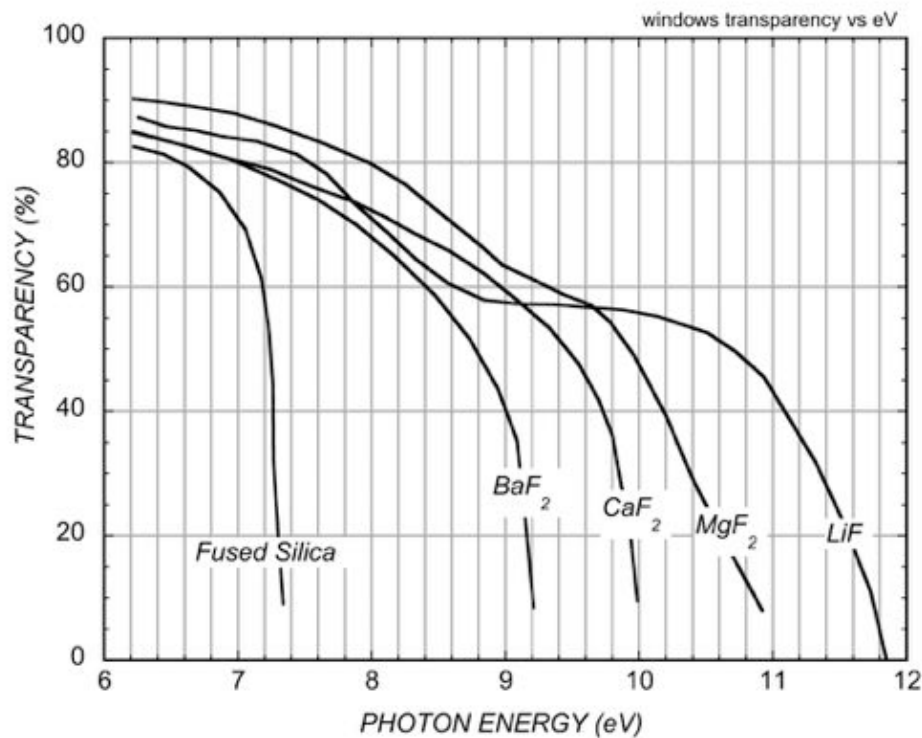
@ $E_\gamma = 10 \text{ keV}$
 $\lambda \sim 1 \text{ cm (STP)}$

<http://xdb.lbl.gov/>

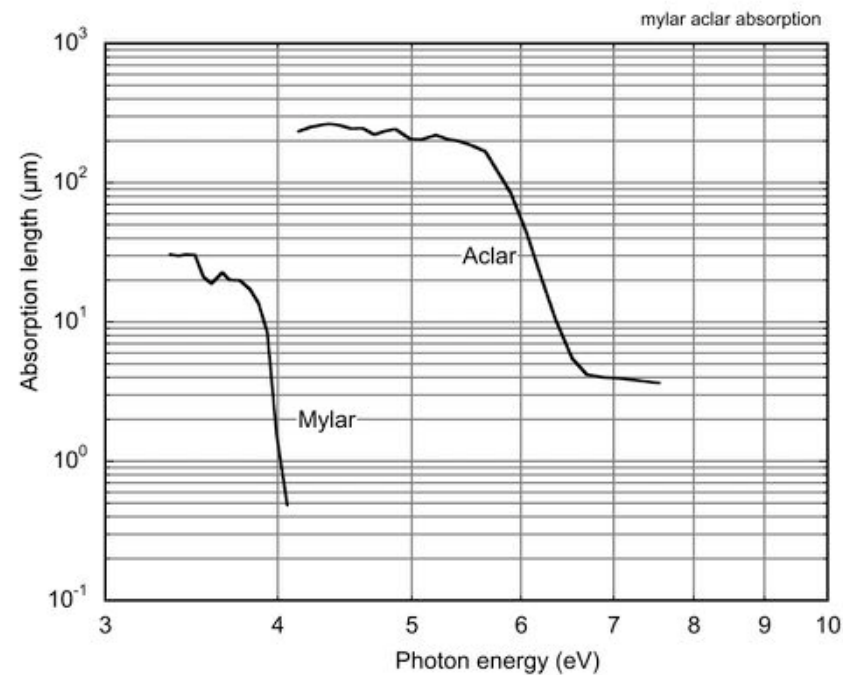
http://henke.lbl.gov/optical_constants/

<http://www.nist.gov/pml/data/xraycoef/>

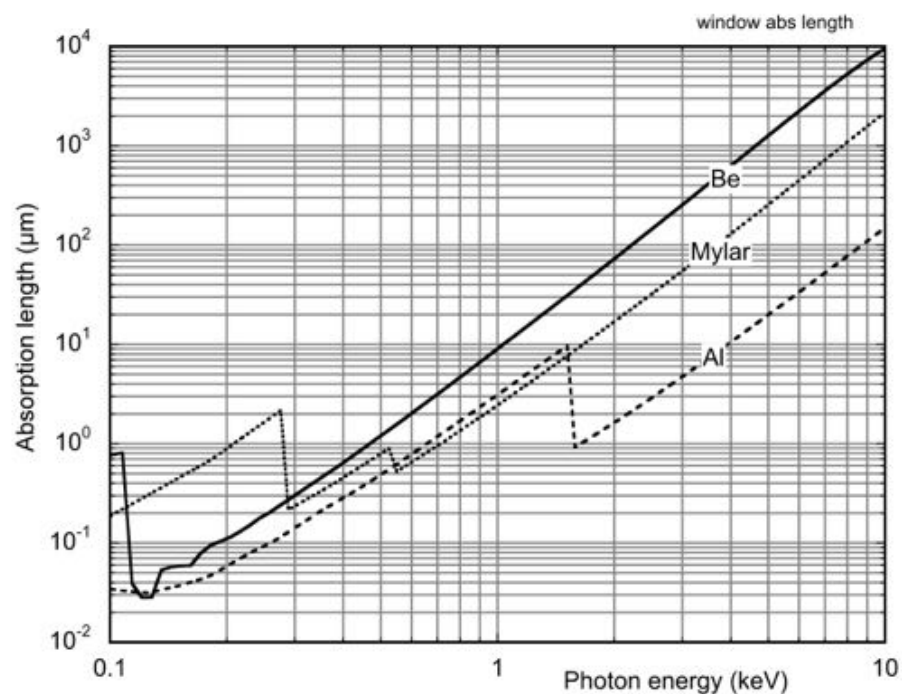
UV GLASS AND FLUORIDE CRYSTALS:



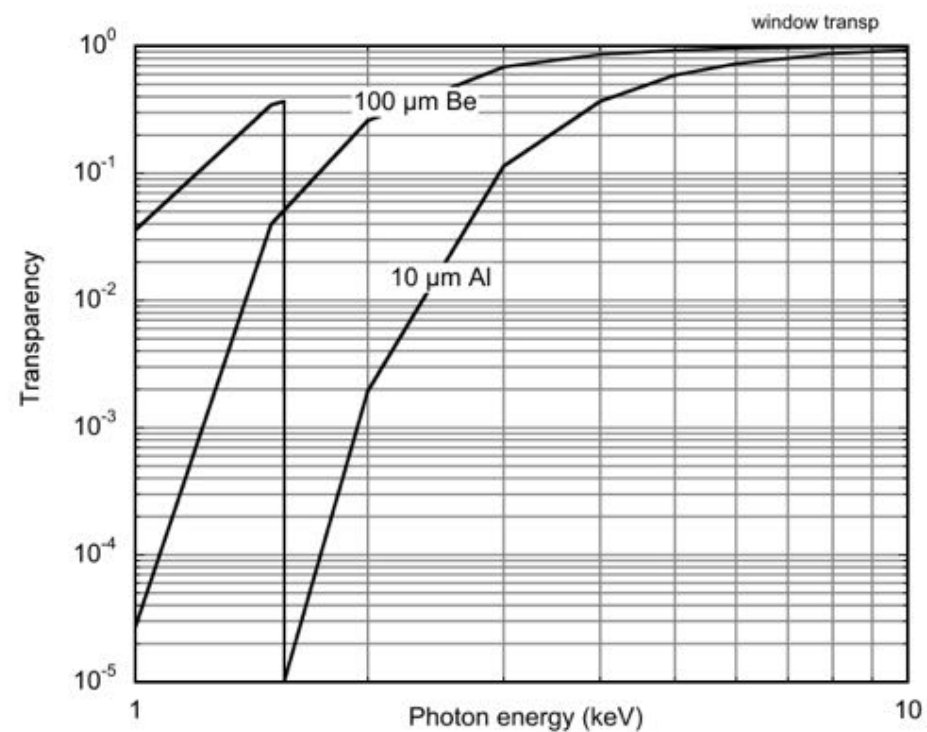
THIN POLYMER FOILS:



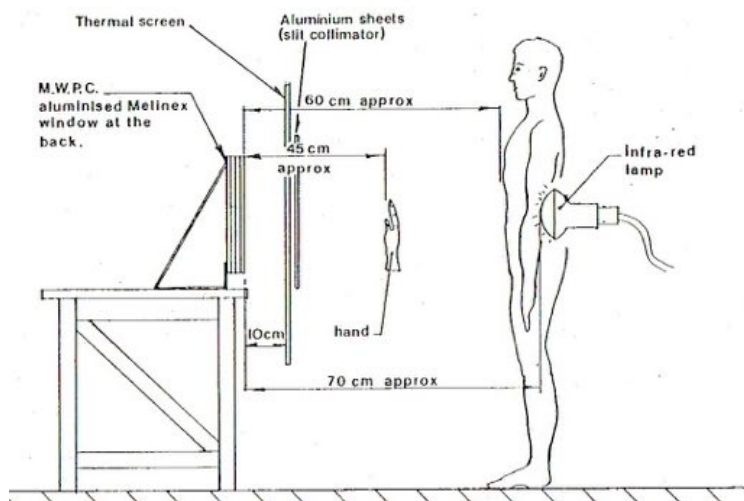
ABSORPTION LENGTH VS ENERGY:



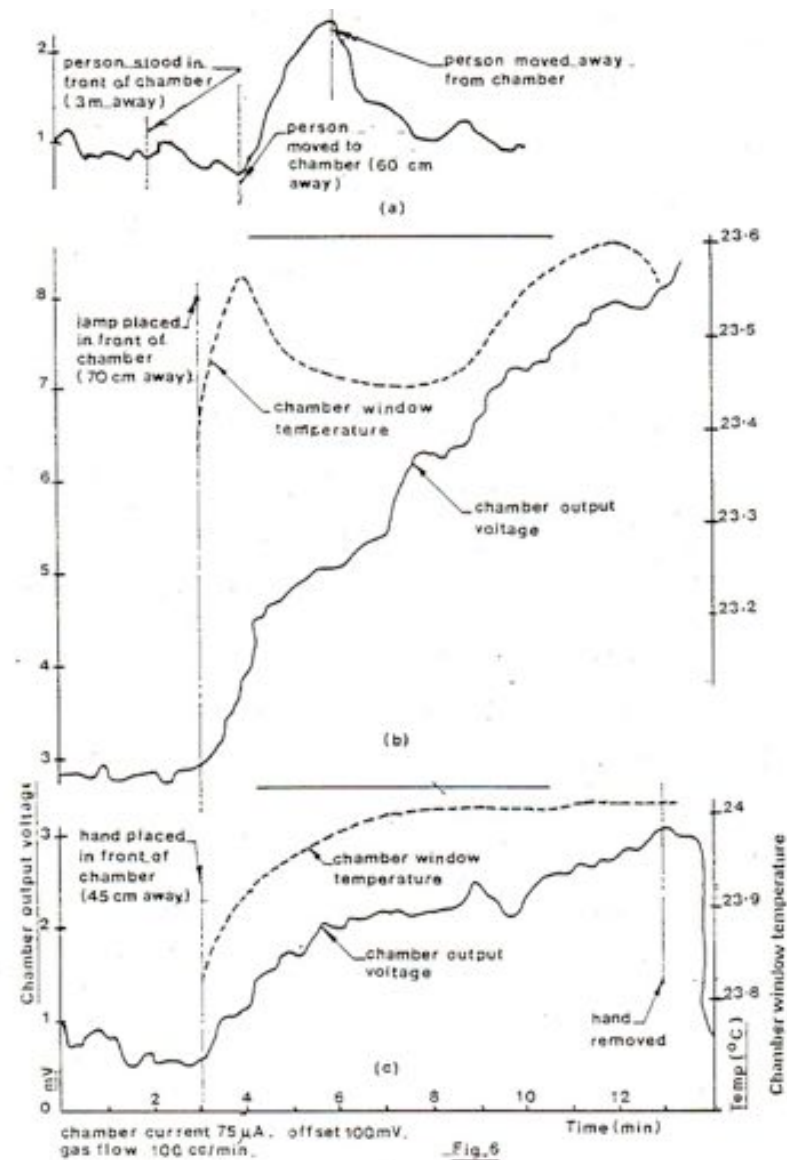
TRANSPARENCY VS ENERGY:



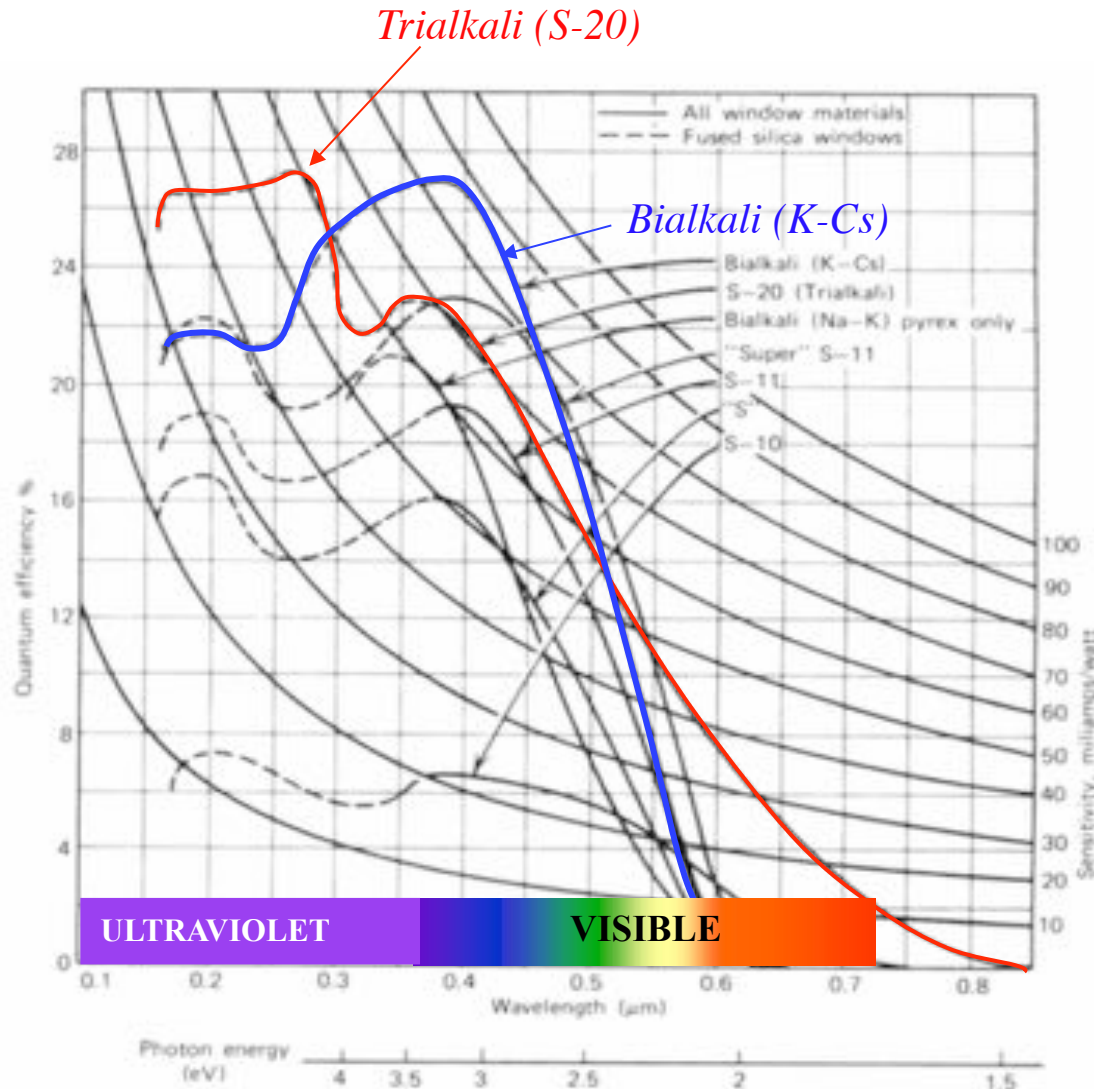
STUDY OF GLOW DISCHARGES IN MWPCs Rutherford Lab (1979)



J.B. Marsh, K.H. Souten and B. O'Hagan
RL-79-038 (1979)



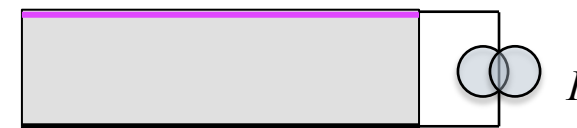
SPECTRAL RESPONSE OF PHOTOCATHODES (IN VACUUM):



VACUUM PHOTODIODE:

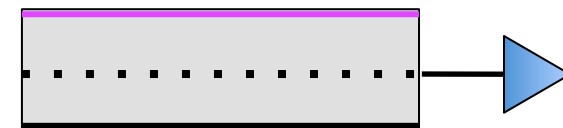


GAS PHOTODIODE:



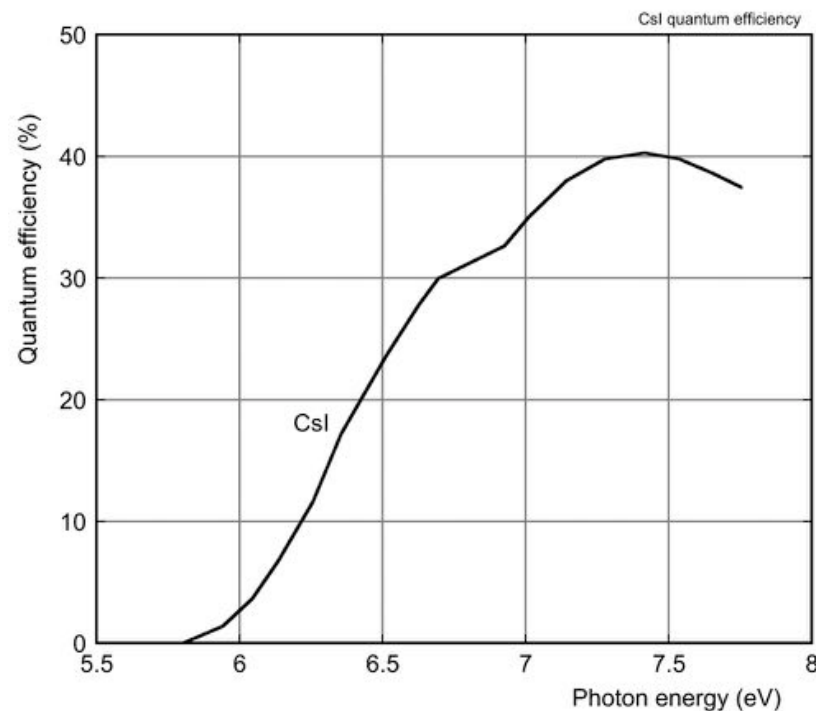
- Damaged by impurities (O_2 , H_2O , ...)
- Backscattering reduces Quantum Efficiency

GAS DETECTOR WITH GAIN:



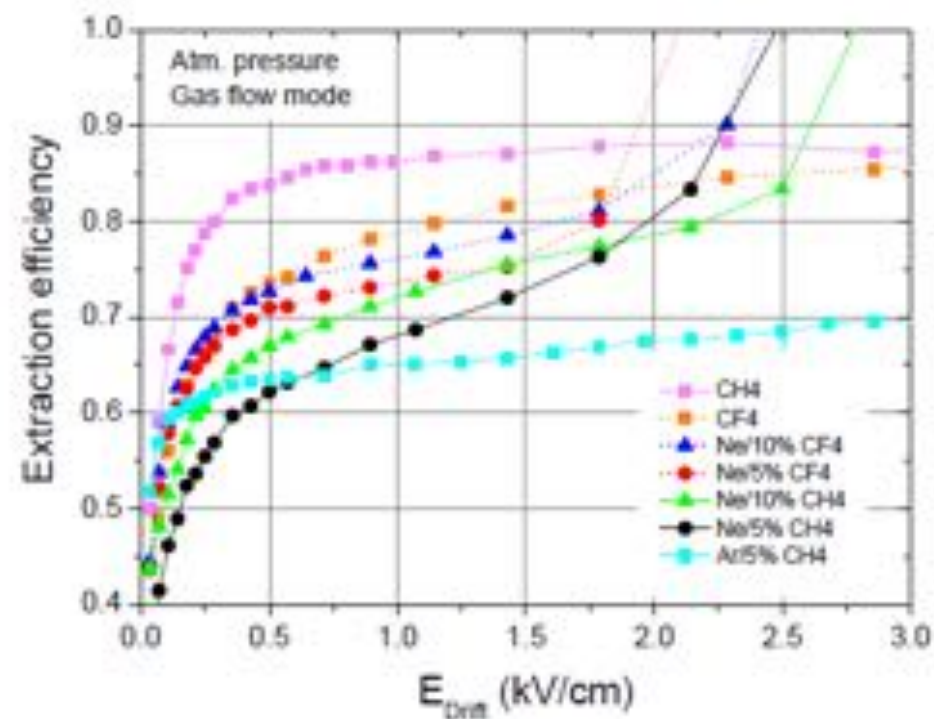
- Photon feedback
- Positive ions damage of photocathode

CsI QUANTUM EFFICIENCY (IN VACUUM):



J. Seguinot et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. 297(1990)133

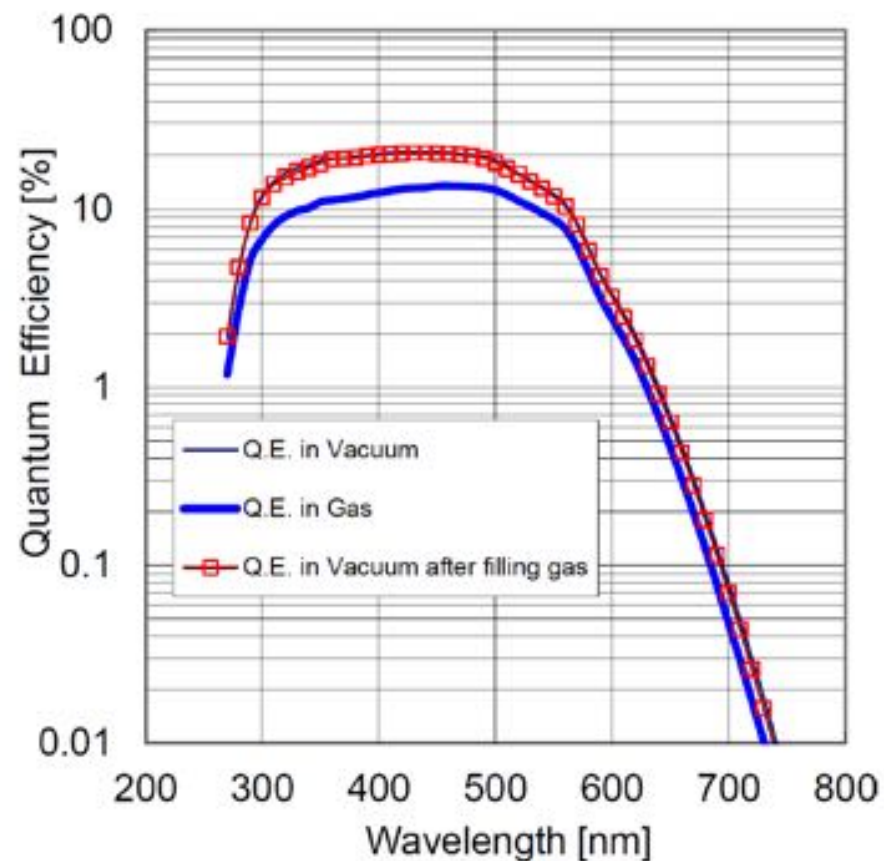
*IN GASES:
FIELD DEPENDENCE OF THE
PHOTOELECTRON EXTRACTION
EFFICIENCY:*



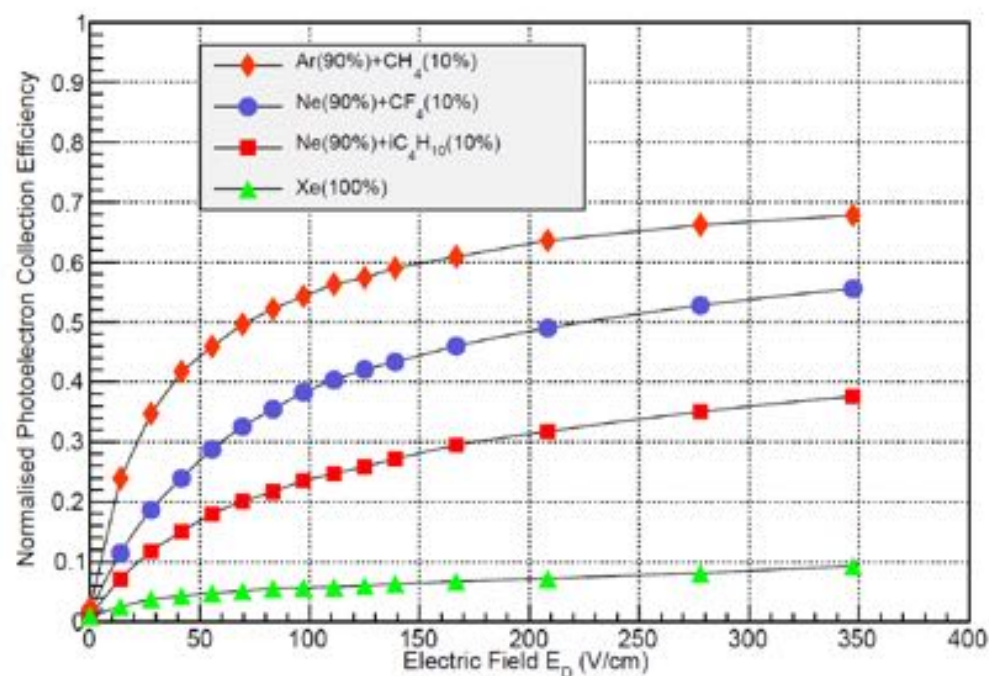
C. D. R. Azevedo et al., 2010 JINST 5 P01002

MICRO-PATTERN GAS DETECTORS: GEM, MICROMEKAS, GLASS CAPILLARY

Quantum Efficiency of Bi-alkali Photocathode
in Ar-CH₄ (90-10):

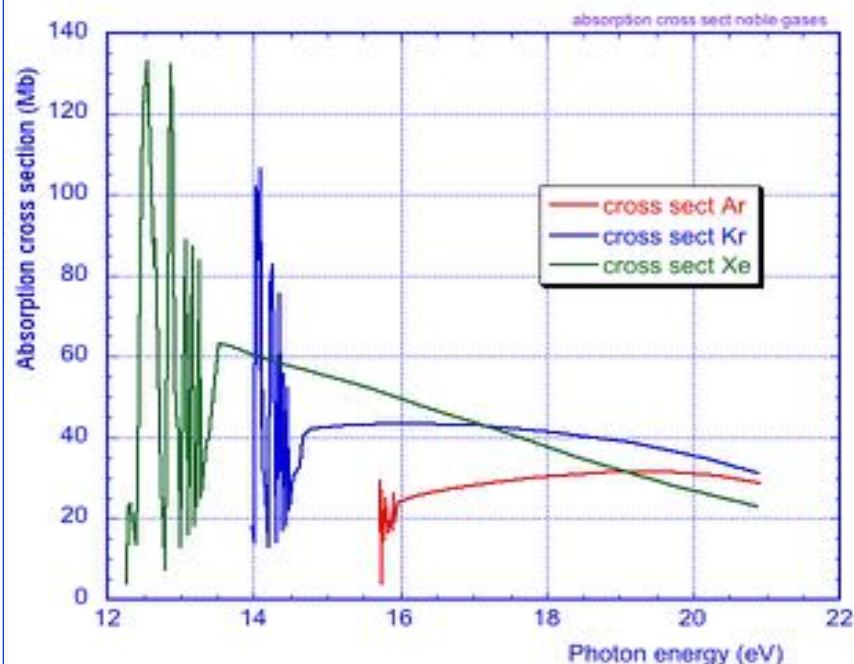


Photoelectron Collection Efficiency in
several gases at increasing fields:



F. Tokanai et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A610(2009)164

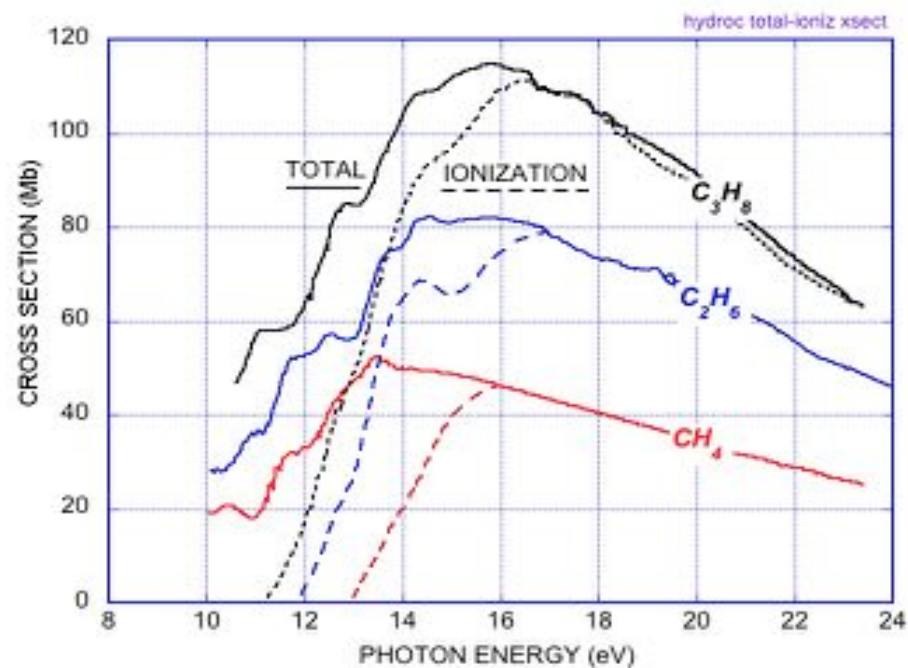
NOBLE GASES: PHOTOIONIZATION THRESHOLD



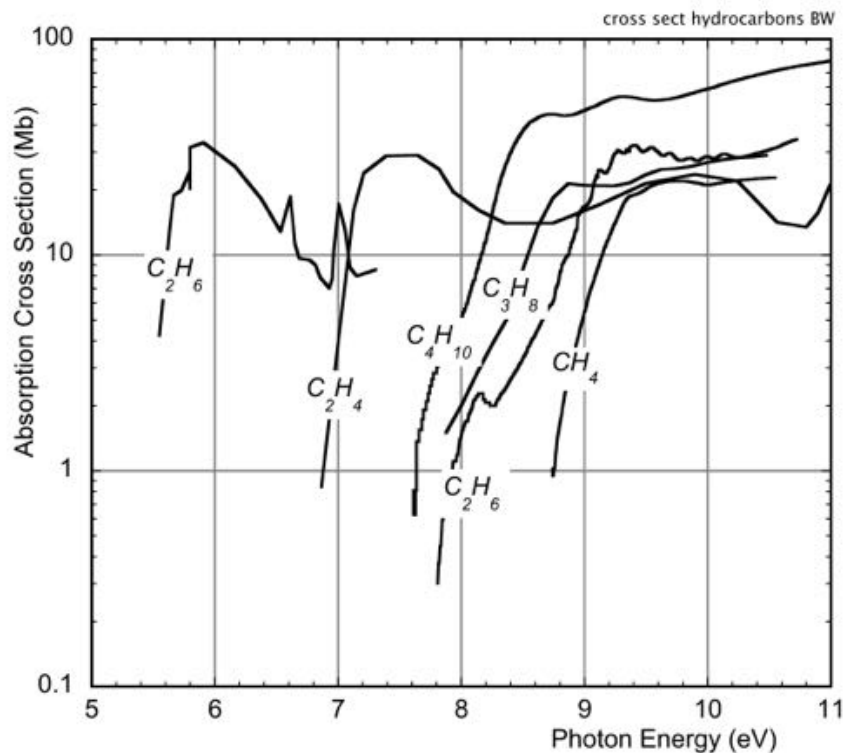
H. S. W. Massey, Electronic and Ionic impact Phenomena (Oxford Press 1969)

G. Marr, Photoionization Processes in Gases (Academic Press NY 1967)

MOLECULAR GASES: TOTAL AND IONIZATION CROSS SECTIONS:

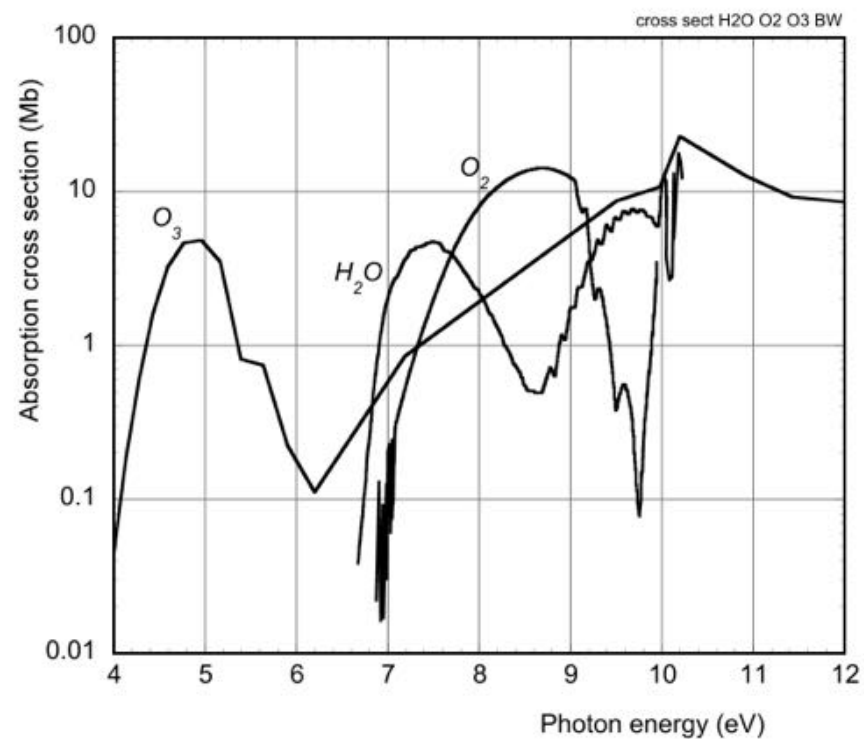


HYDROCARBONS

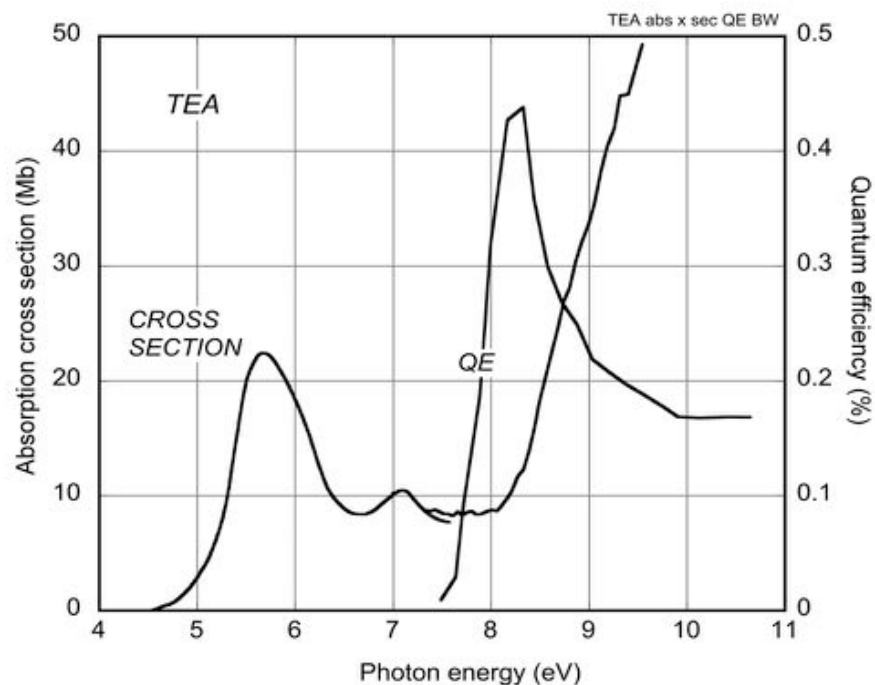


*F. Sauli, Gaseous Radiation Detectors
Cambridge University Press (2014)*

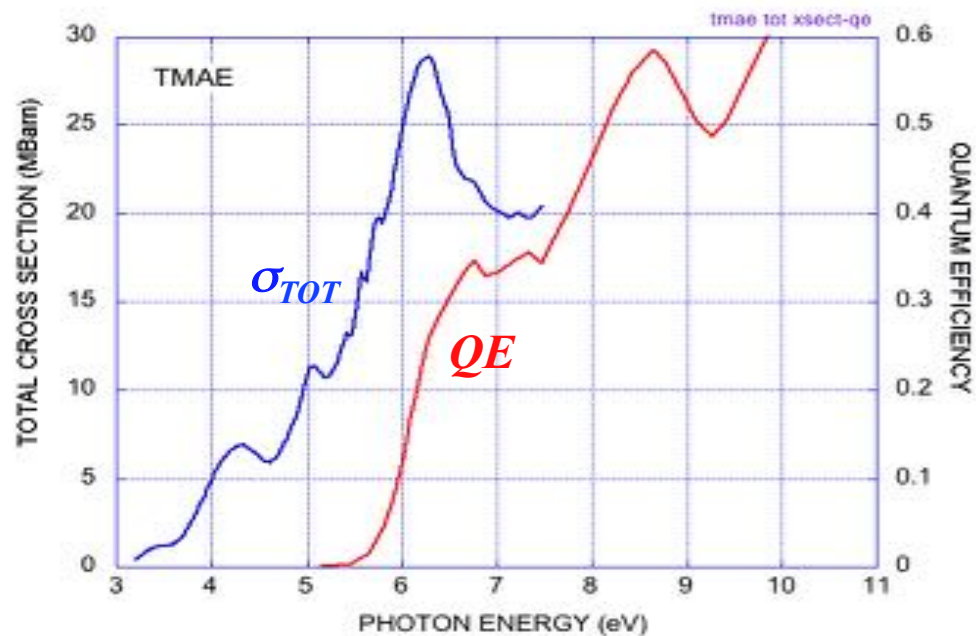
OXYGEN, OZONE, WATER:



Triethylamine (TEA) $(C_2H_5)_3N$
 $E_i = 7.5 \text{ eV}$

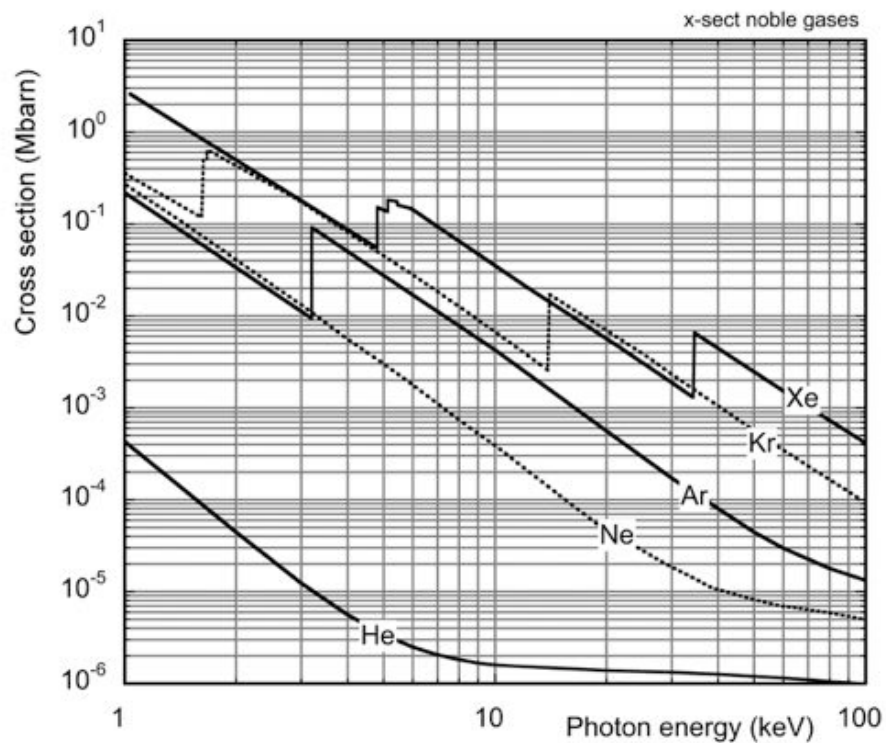


Tetrakis-dimethylamino-ethylene (TMAE)
 $C[(CH_3)_2N]_4$
 $E_i = 5.3 \text{ eV}$

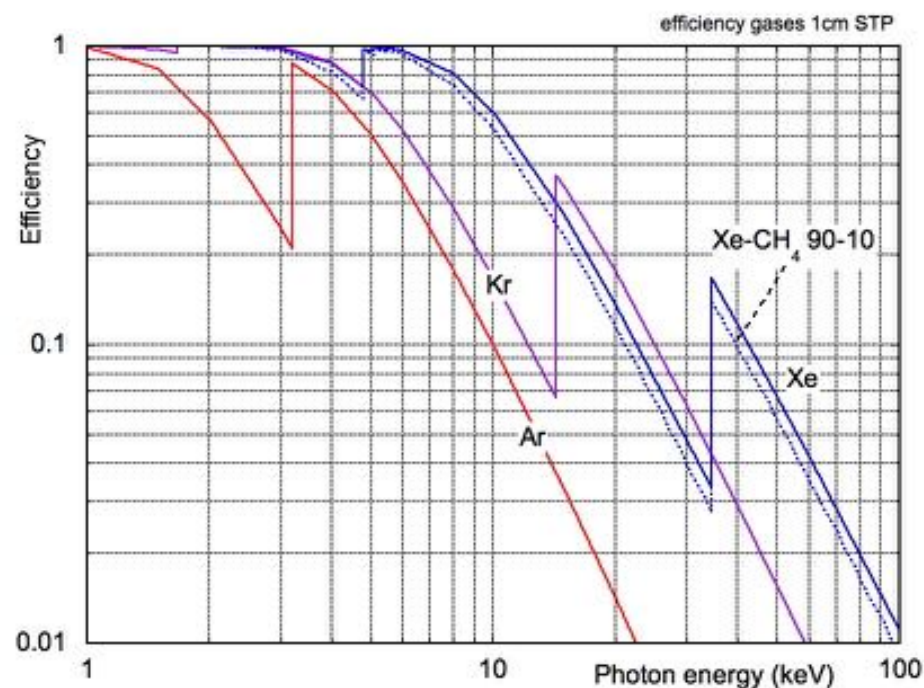


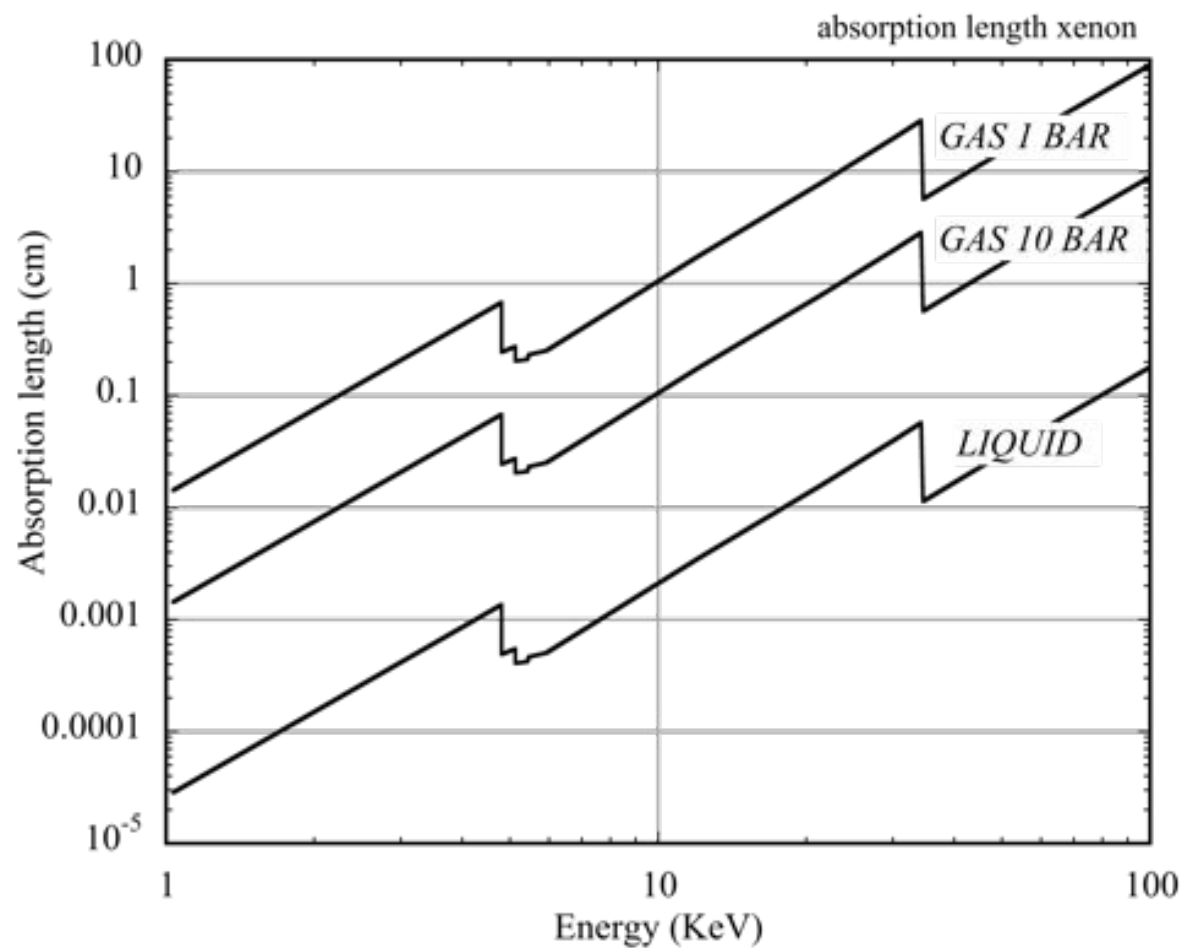
R. Holroyd et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A261(1987)440

ABSORPTION CROSS SECTION:

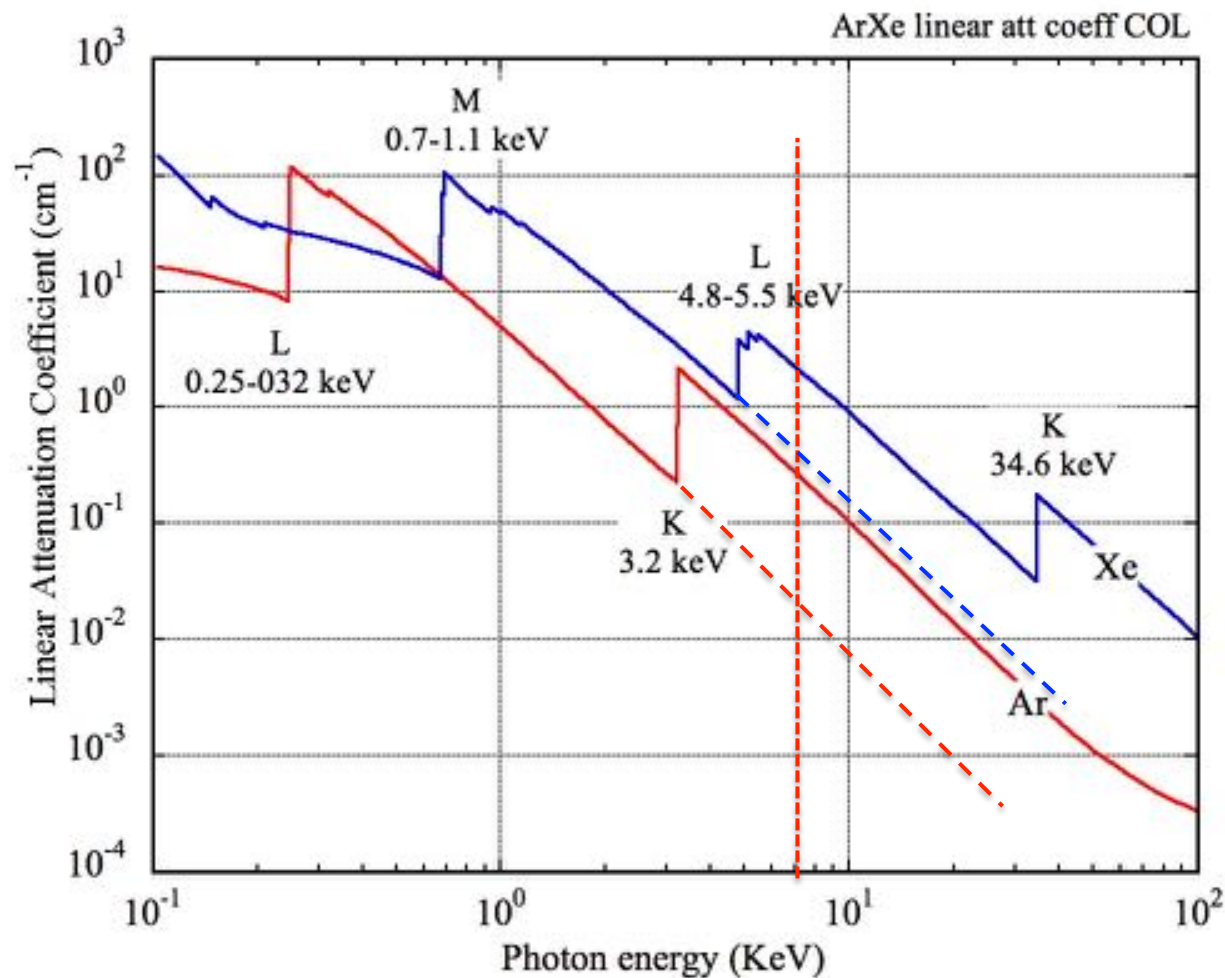


DETECTION EFFICIENCY 1 cm GAS @ STP (0°C, 1 ATM):

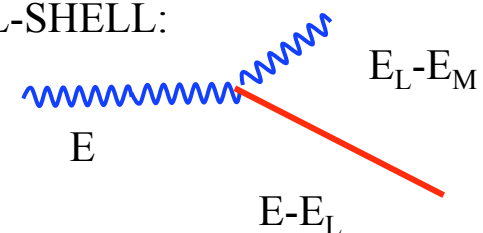




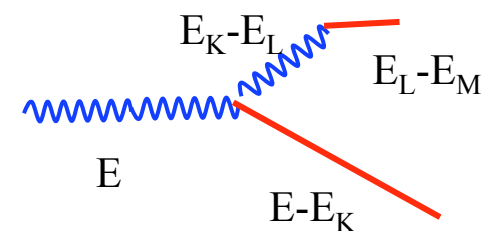
LINEAR ATTENUATION COEFFICIENT (STP):



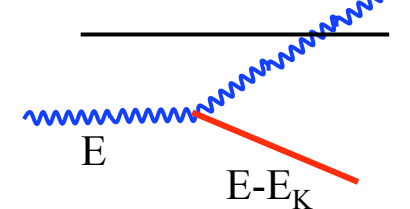
L-SHELL:



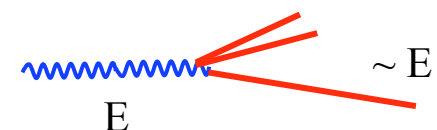
K SHELL FLUORESCENCE:



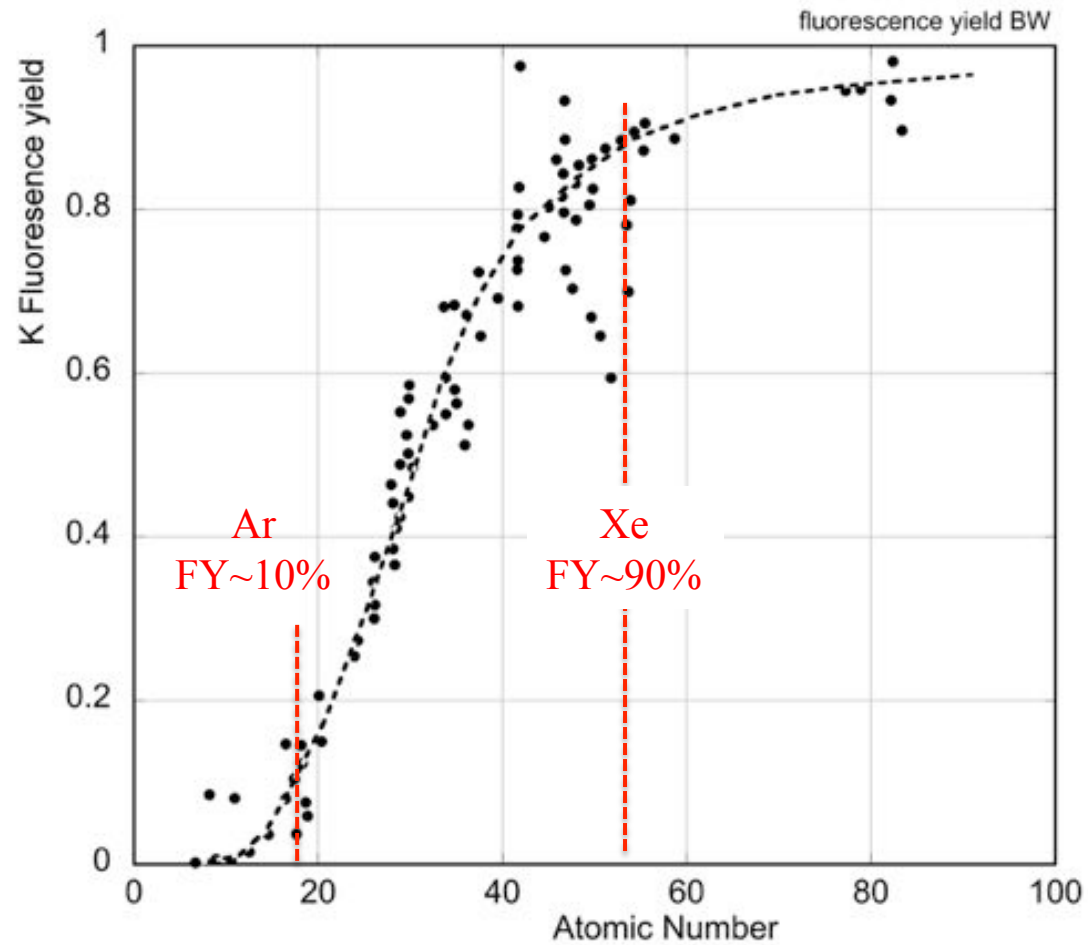
ESCAPE



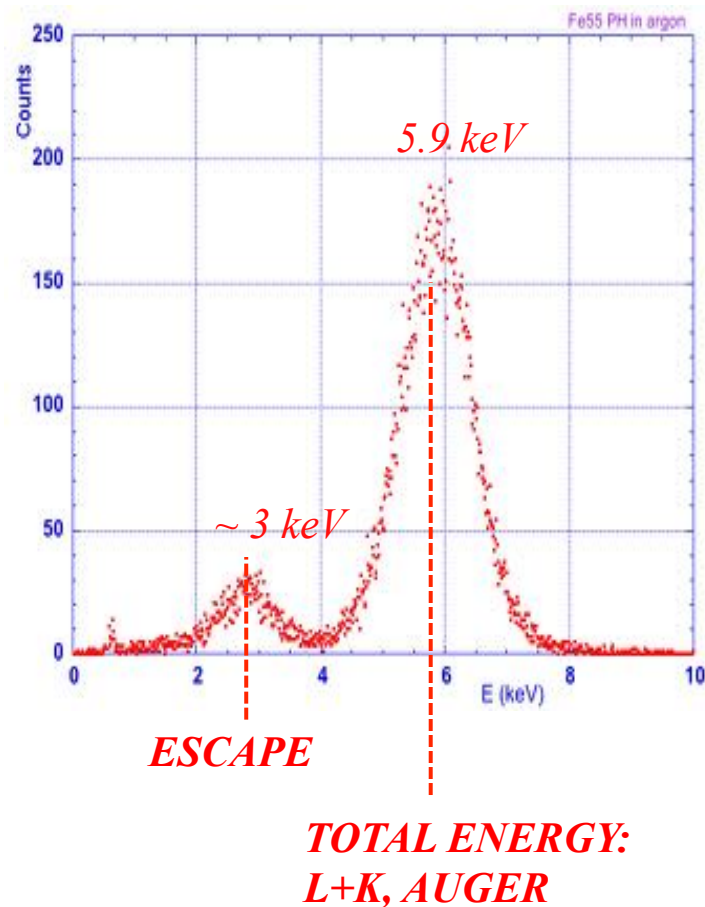
NON-RADIATIVE (AUGER)



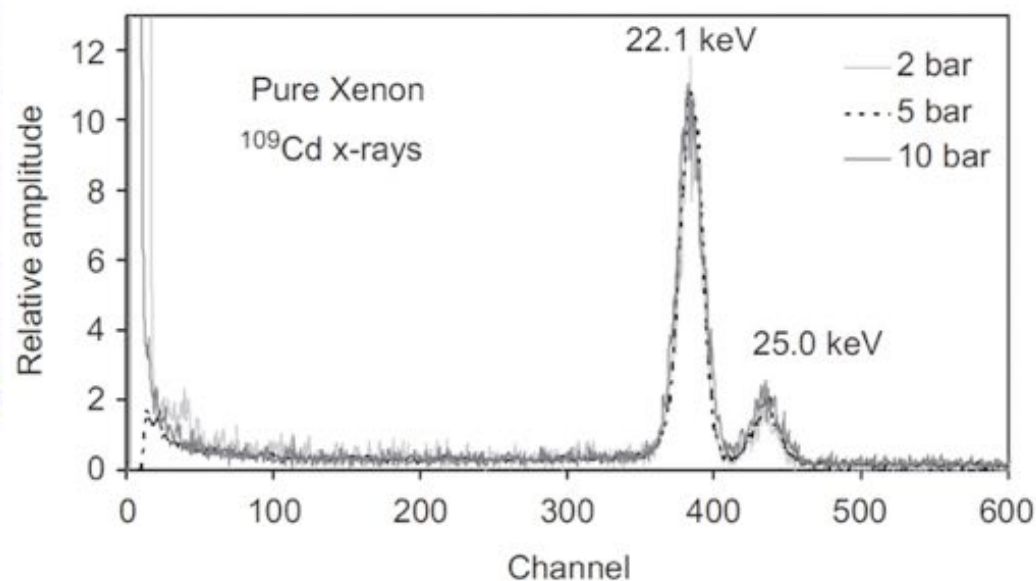
FY = Probability of Fluorescence / Total



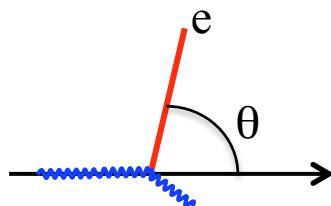
5.9 keV ^{55}Fe SOURCE IN ARGON:



22-25 keV ^{109}Cd SOURCE IN XENON:



PHOTOELECTRON
EMISSION ANGLE:



$E_\gamma 5.9 \text{ keV}$

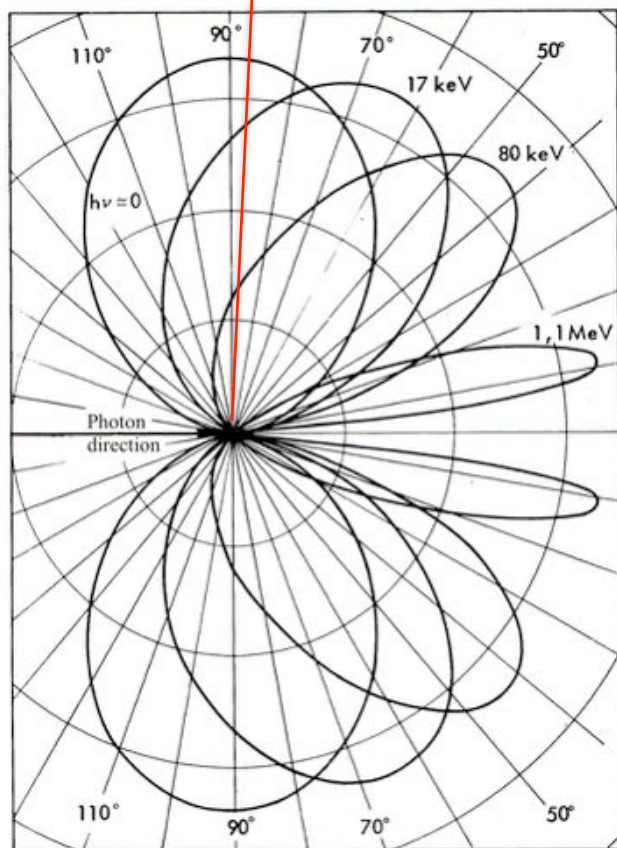
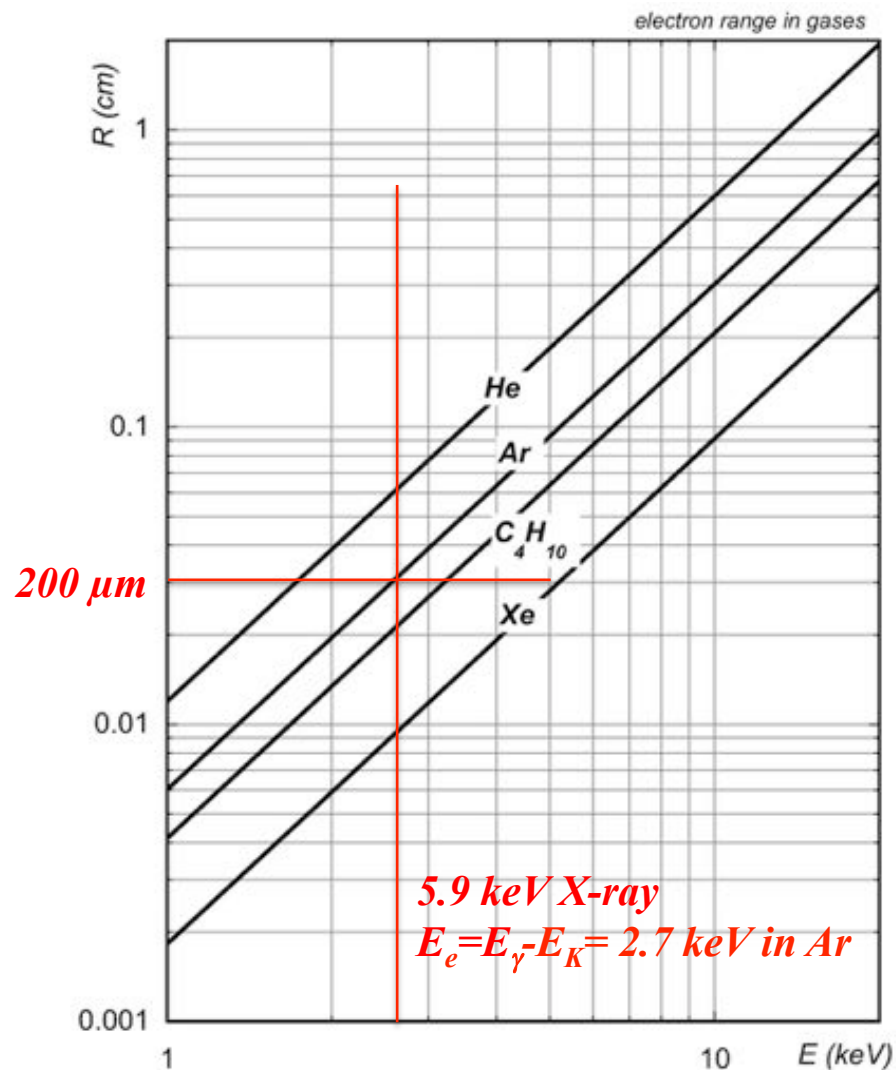
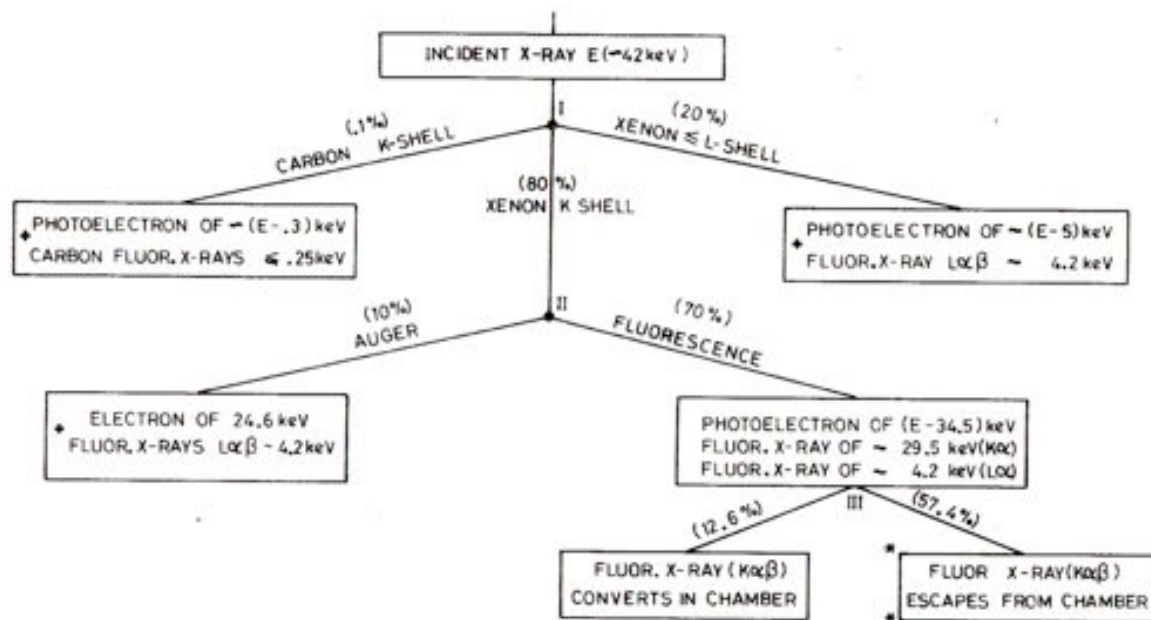


Figura 9.2. Distribuzione angolare dei fotoelettroni; le cur-

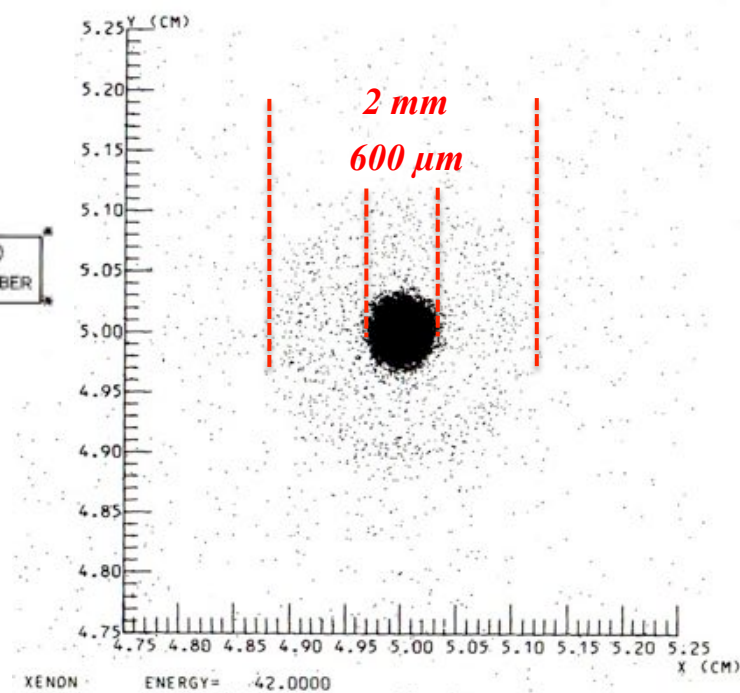
ELECTRON RANGE:



42 keV PHOTONS ON XENON



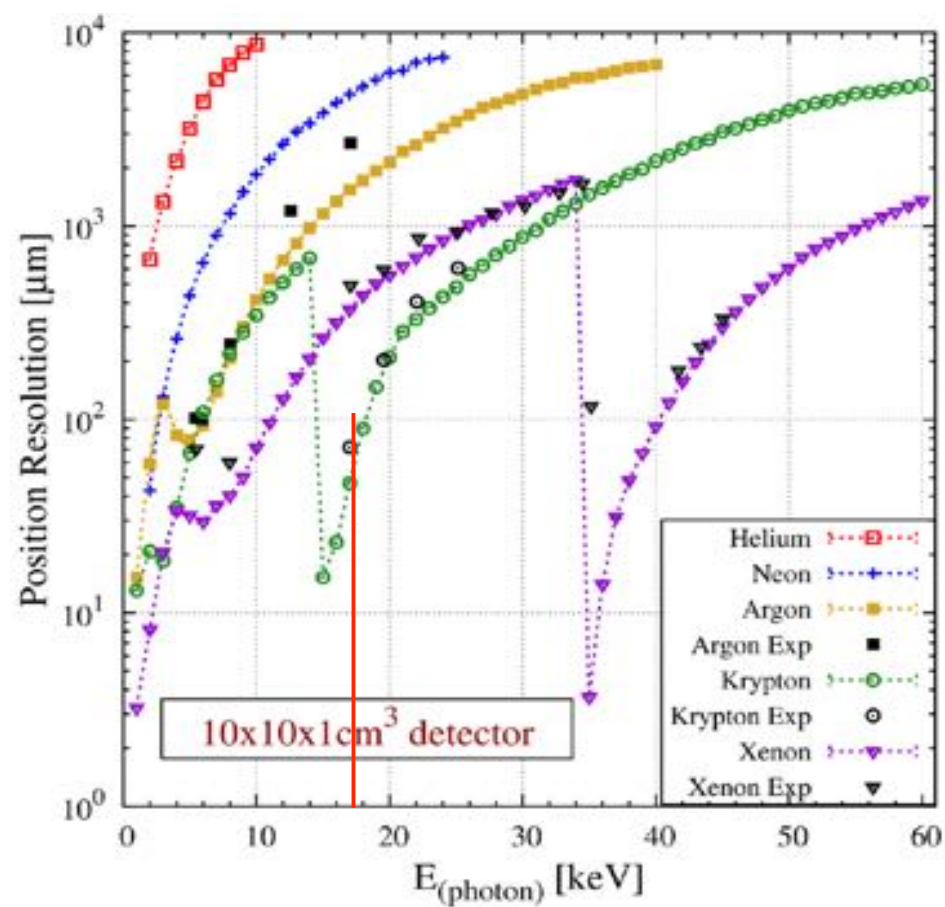
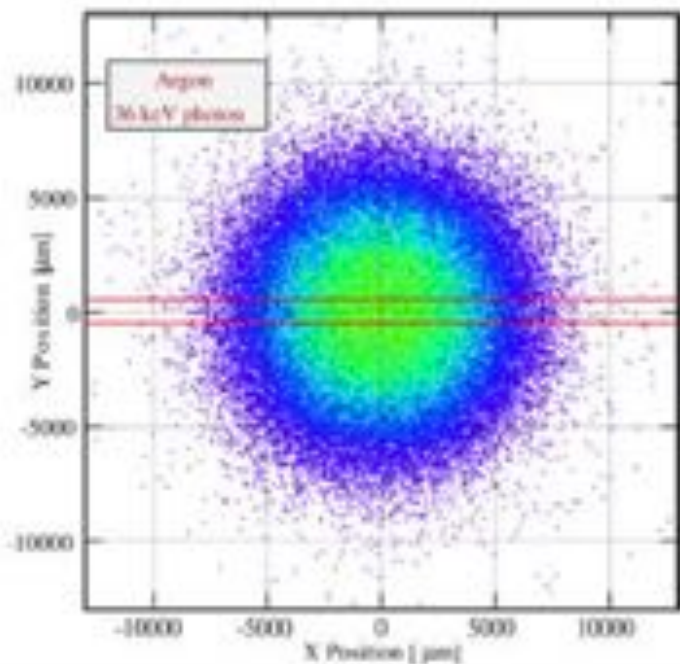
POSITION RESOLUTION FOR A
POINT-LIKE COLLIMATED BEAM:



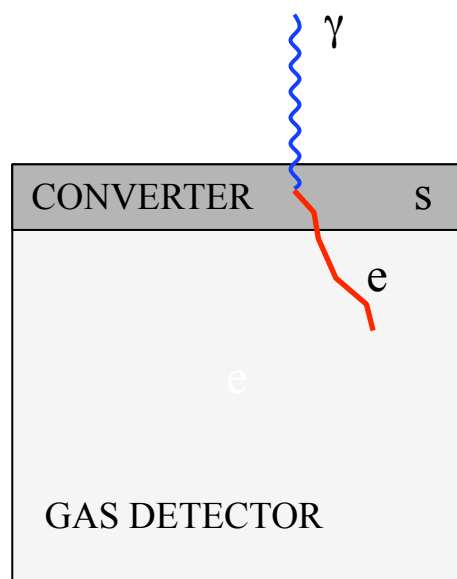
J.E. Bateman et al, RL-75-140

X-Rays in He, Ne, Ar, Kr and Xe AT STP

36 keV in Ar:



C. Azevedo et al., Phys. Lett. B 741(2015)272



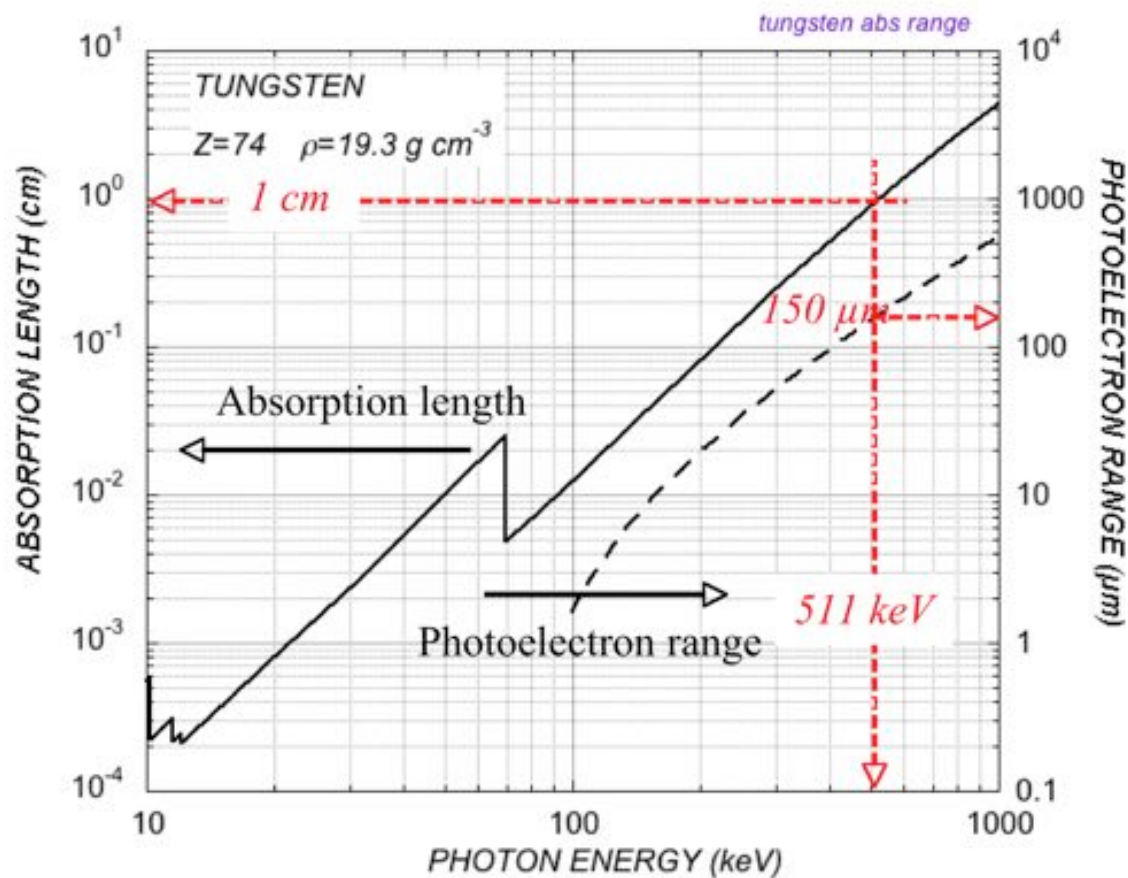
DETECTION EFFICIENCY:

$$\varepsilon = 1 - e^{-\frac{s}{\lambda}}$$

s : converter thickness

λ : absorption length

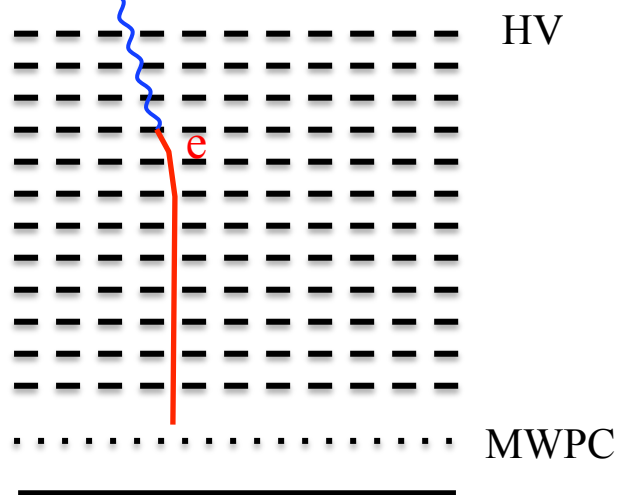
USEFUL CONVERTER THICKNESS AND ELECTRON RANGE



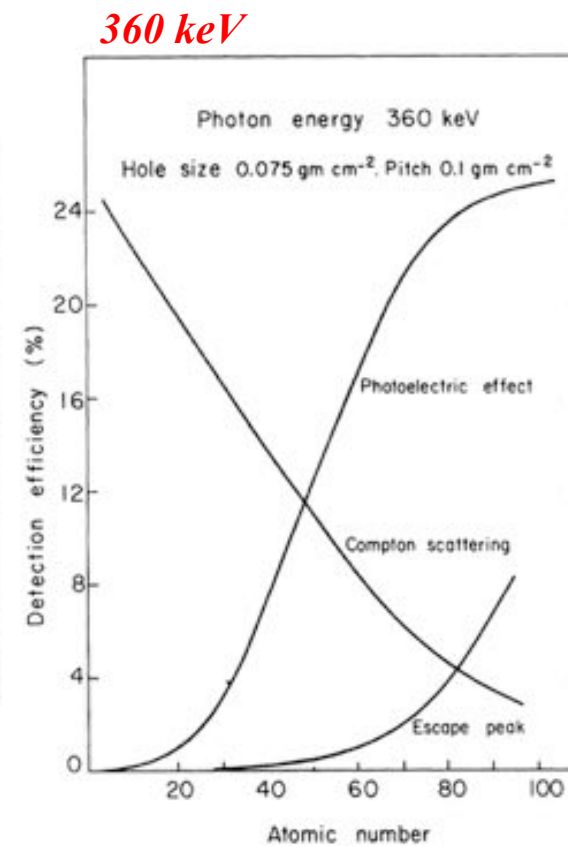
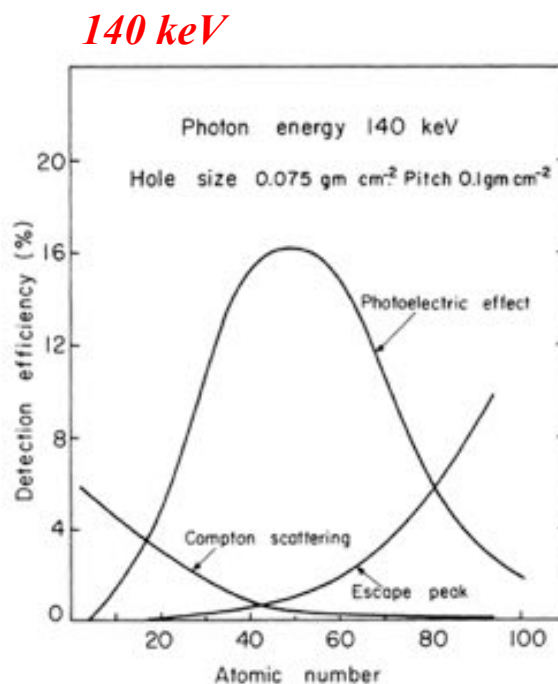
$100 \mu\text{m}$ converter $\rightarrow \varepsilon \sim 1\%$

HEAVY DRIFT CHAMBER

Stack of converter Grids at graded potentials

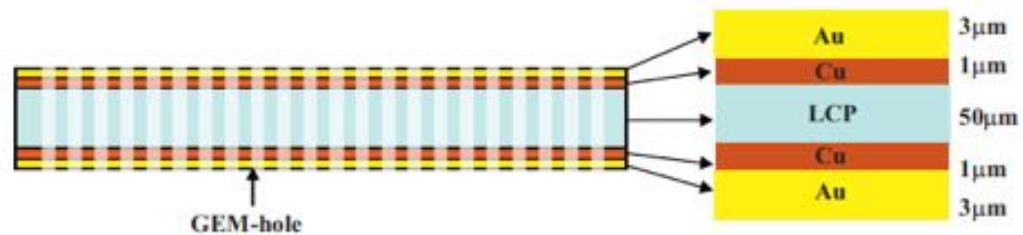


EFFICIENCY vs CONVERTER ATOMIC NUMBER:



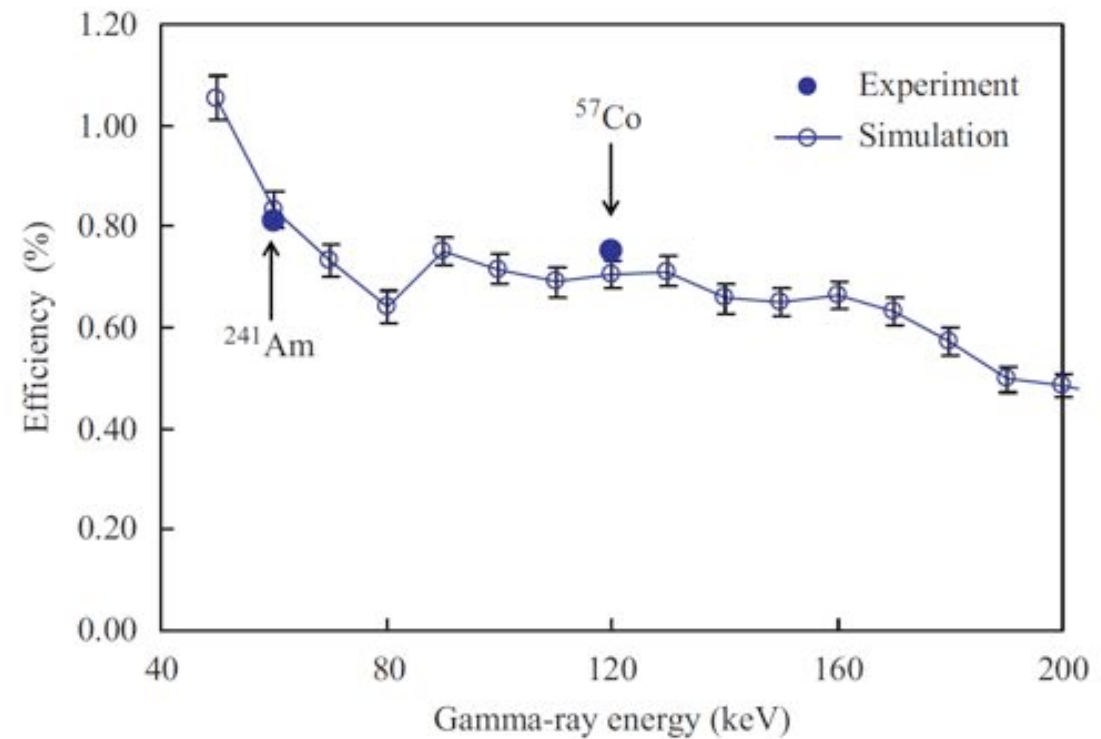
A. Jeavons et al, IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci. NS-23 (1978)41

GOLD-COATED GAS ELECTRON MULTIPLIER (GEM)



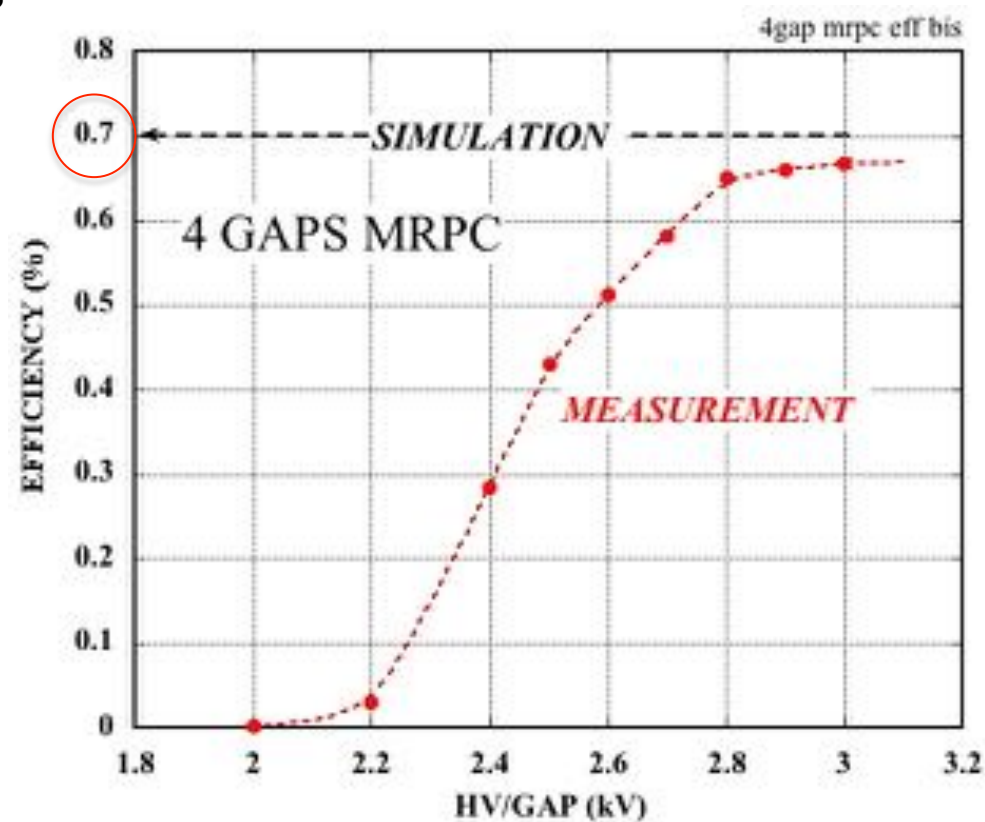
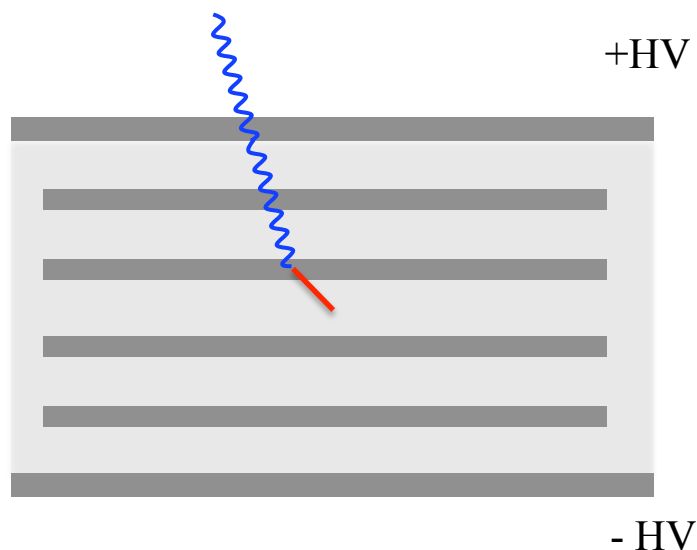
*T. Koike et al,
Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A648(2011)180*

DETECTION EFFICIENCY



DETECTION OF 511 keV γ FOR PET
MULTI-GAP RESISTIVE PLATE CHAMBER

400 μm HIGH RESISTIVITY GLASS PLATES



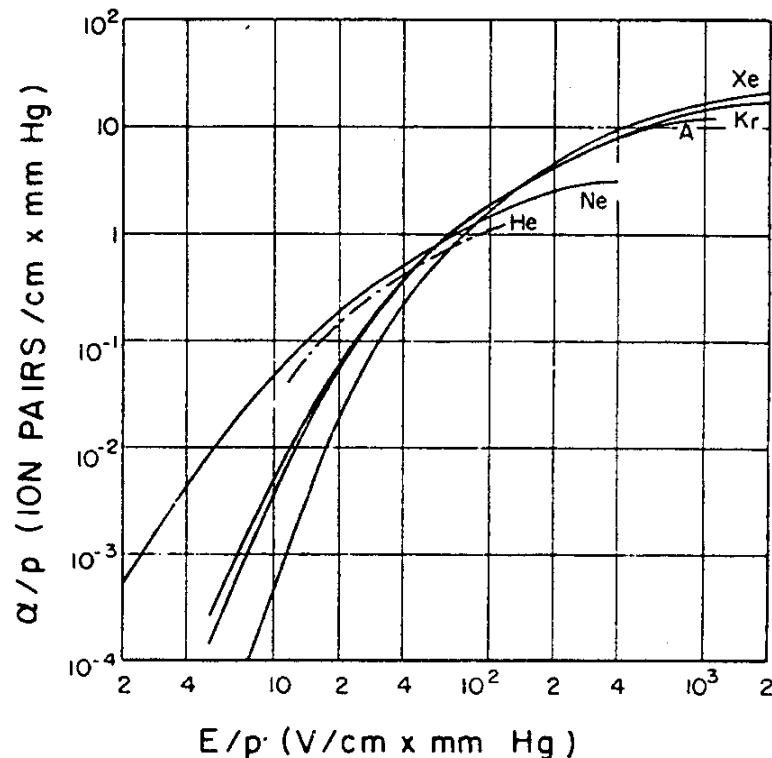
D. Watts et al, J. Rad. Res. 54 (2013)i136

Mean free path for ionization:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{N\sigma} \quad N: \text{molecules/cm}^3$$

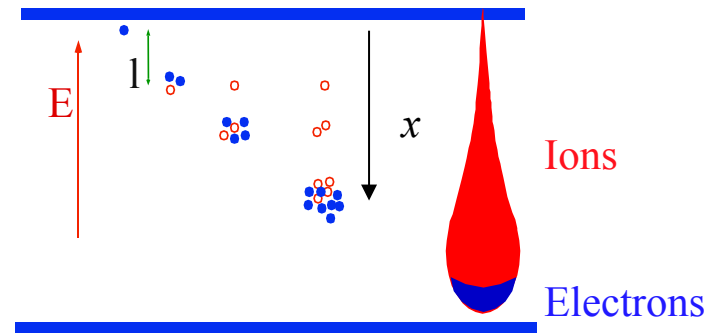
Townsend coefficient:

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\lambda} \quad \text{Ionizing collisions/cm} \quad \frac{\alpha}{P} = f\left(\frac{E}{P}\right)$$



S.C. Brown, Basic Data of Plasma Physics (MIT Press, 1959)

CHARGE MULTIPLICATION IN UNIFORM FIELD



Incremental increase of the number of electrons in the avalanche:

$$dn = n \alpha dx$$

Multiplication factor or Gain: $M(x) = \frac{n}{n_0} = e^{\alpha x}$

Maximum avalanche size before discharge (Raether limit):

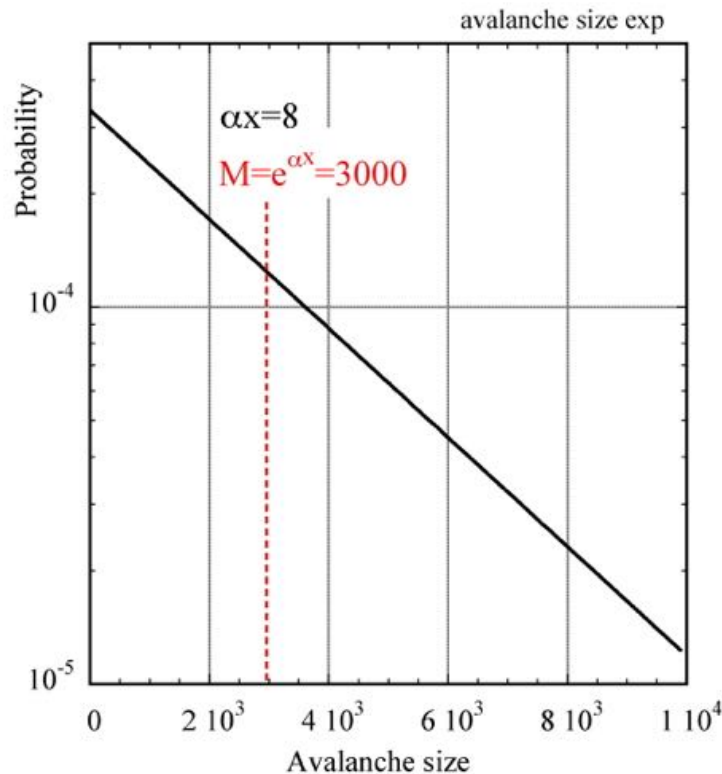
$$Q_{\text{MAX}} \approx 10^7 e \rightarrow \text{(PART 2)}$$

H. Raether, Electron Avalanches and Breakdown in Gases (Butterworth 1964)

SINGLE ELECTRON AVALANCHE SIZE DISTRIBUTION

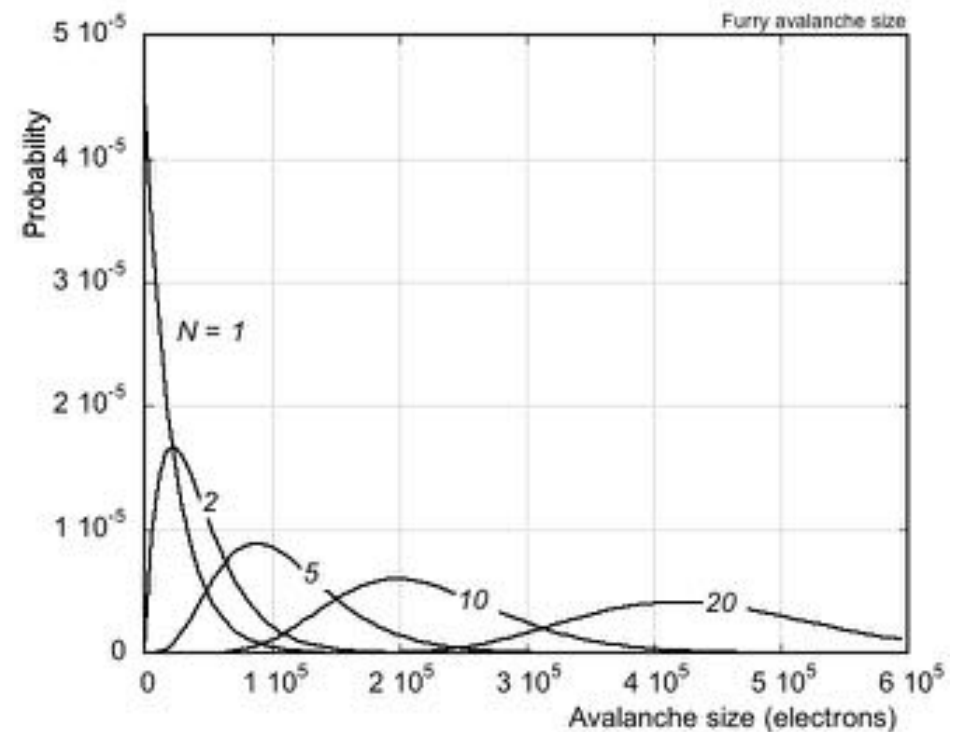
$$P(n) = \frac{e^{-n/\bar{n}}}{\bar{n}} \quad M = \bar{n} = e^{\alpha x} \quad \sigma_{\bar{n}} = \bar{n}$$

MAXIMUM PROBABILITY FOR $n=1$!



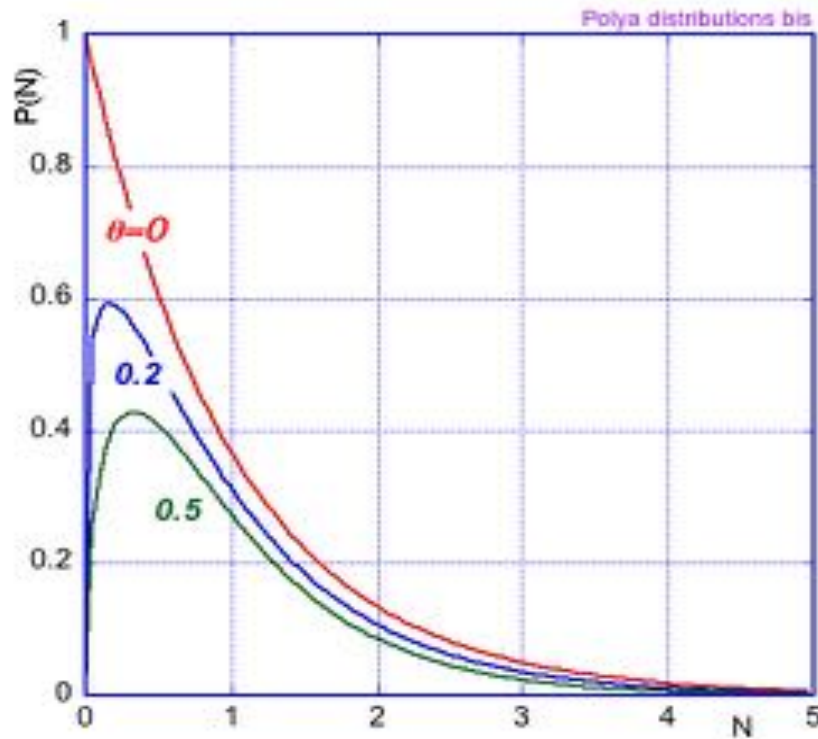
N ELECTRONS:

$$P(n, N) = \frac{1}{\bar{n}} \left(\frac{n}{\bar{n}} \right)^{N-1} \frac{e^{-\frac{n}{\bar{n}}}}{(N-1)!}$$



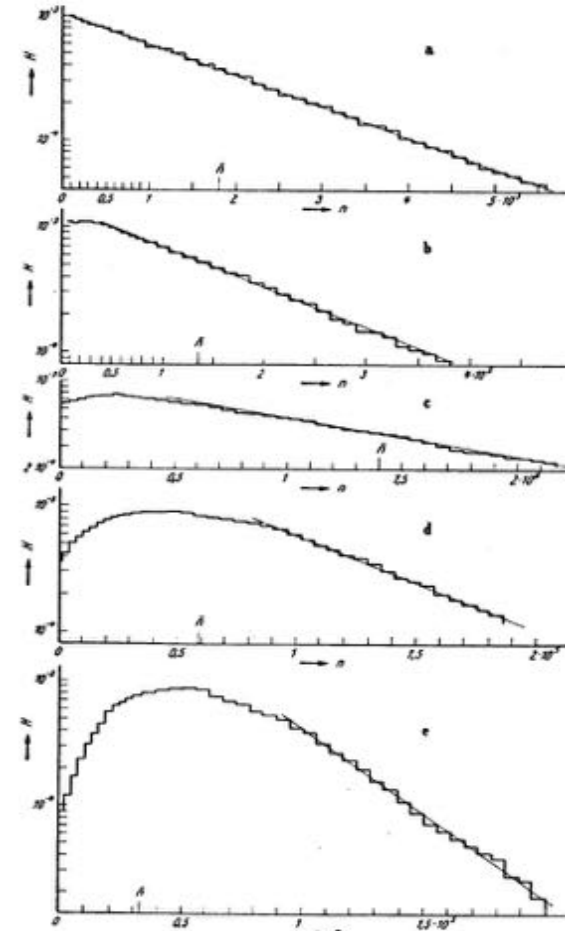
AVALANCHE DISTRIBUTION AT INCREASING GAINS (FIELDS)
 POLYA DISTRIBUTION

$$P(N) = \left[\frac{N(1+\theta)}{\bar{N}} \right]^\theta e^{-\frac{N(1+\theta)}{\bar{N}}} \quad \left(\frac{\sigma_A}{\bar{A}} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{\bar{A}} + \frac{1}{1-\theta} \approx \frac{1}{1-\theta}$$

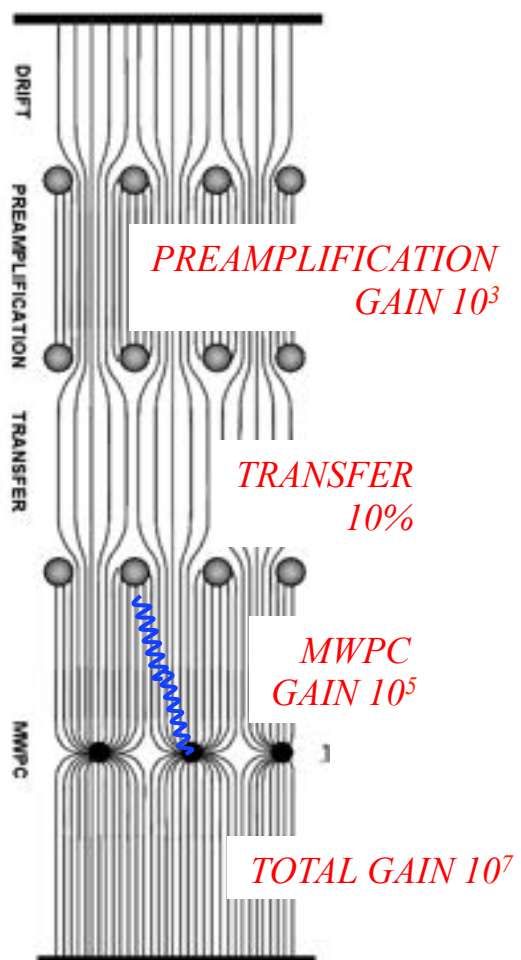


H. Schindler, S.F. Biagi, R. Veenhof
 Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A624(2010)78

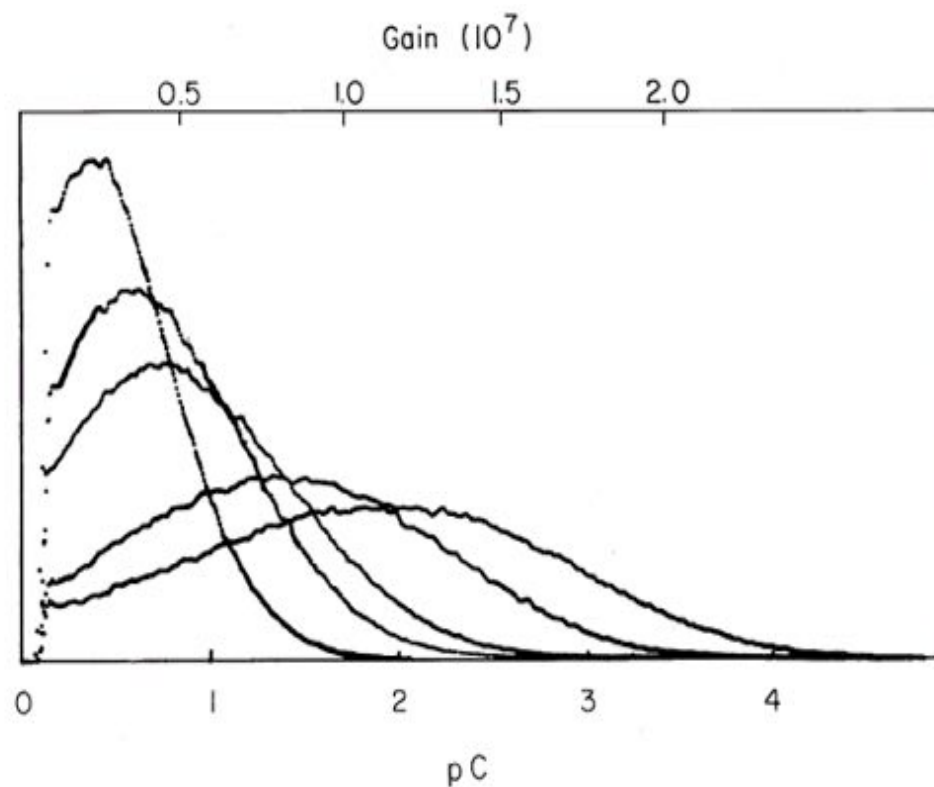
EXPERIMENTAL:



H. Schlumbohm, Zeit. Physik 151(1958)563



SINGLE ELECTRON PH
DISTRIBUTIONS:

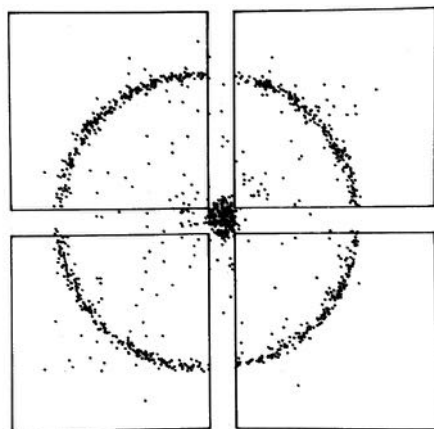


J G. Charpak and F. Sauli, *Phys. Letters* 78B(1978)523

R. Bouclier, et al.,
Nucl. Instr. and Meth. 205 (1983) 403

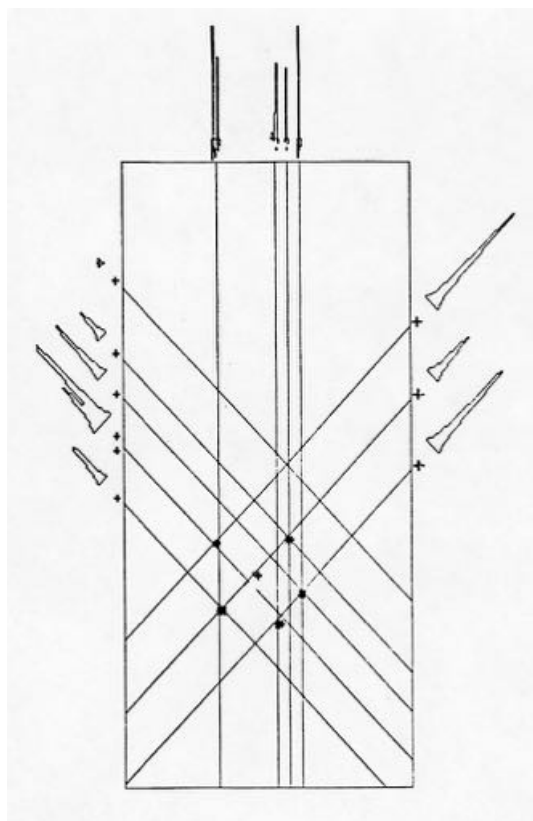
OVERLAPPING CHERENKOV RINGS

He-CH₄-TEA (92-5-3)

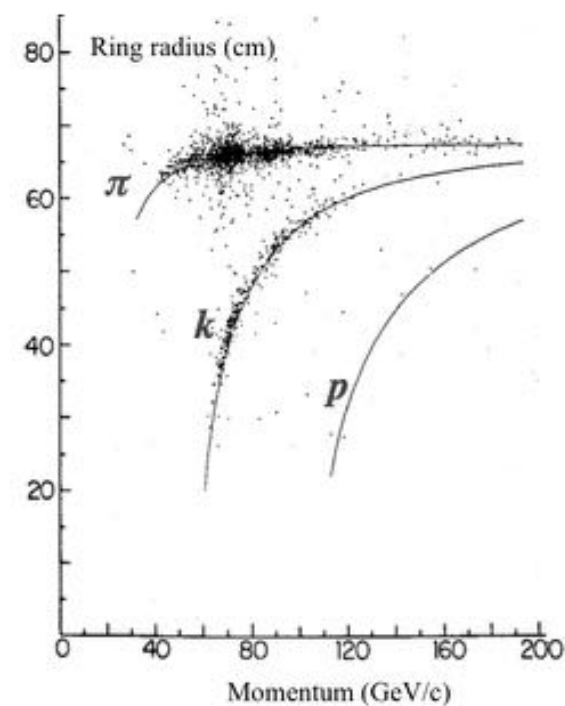


*R. McCarty, et al,
Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A248(1986)69*

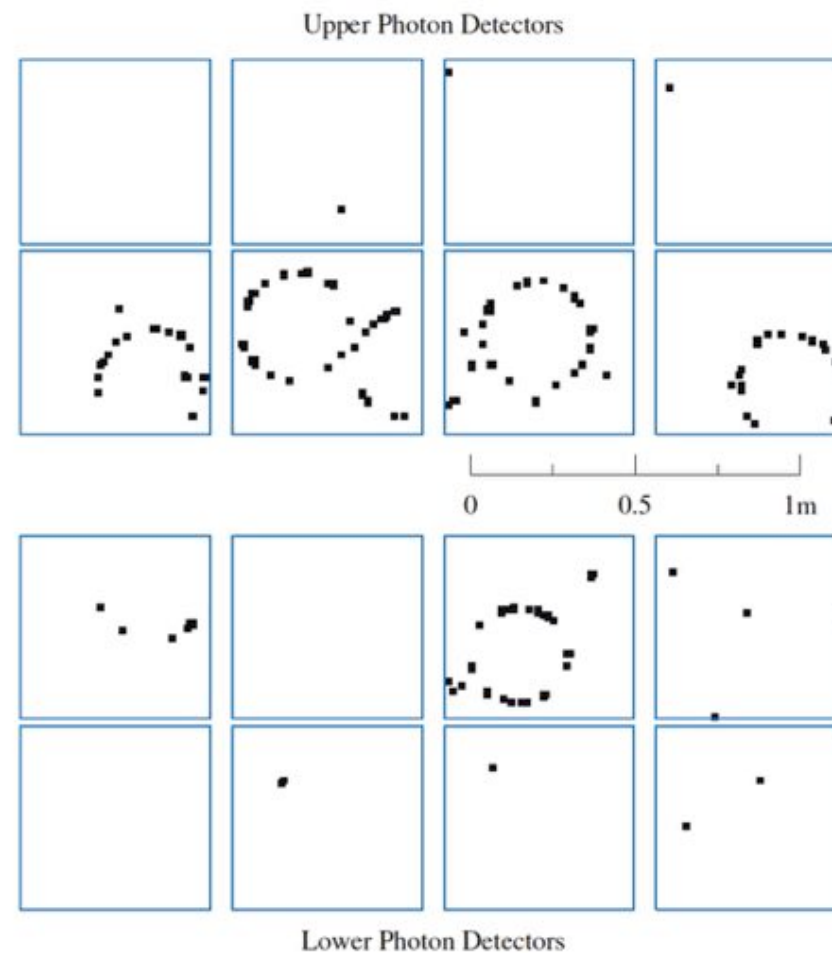
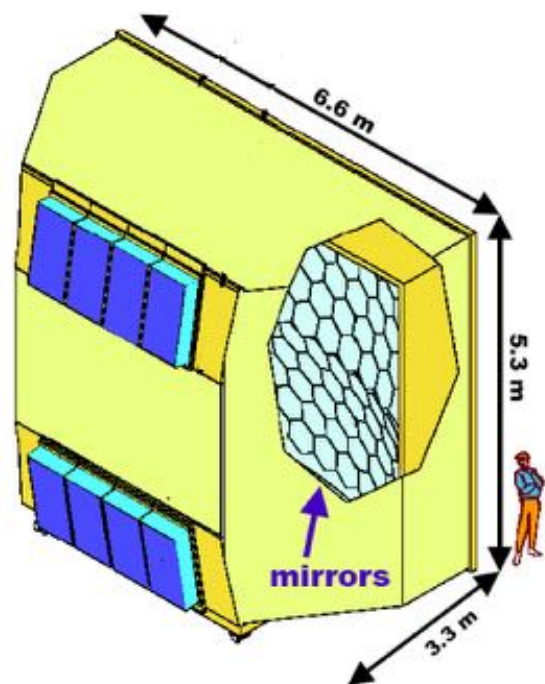
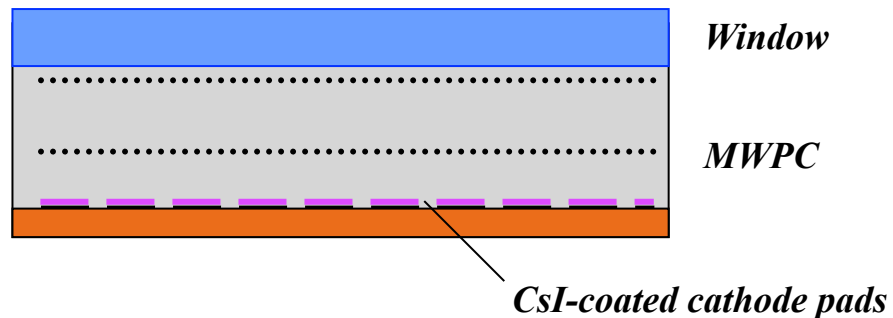
E-605 RICH 5-PHOTONS RING



PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

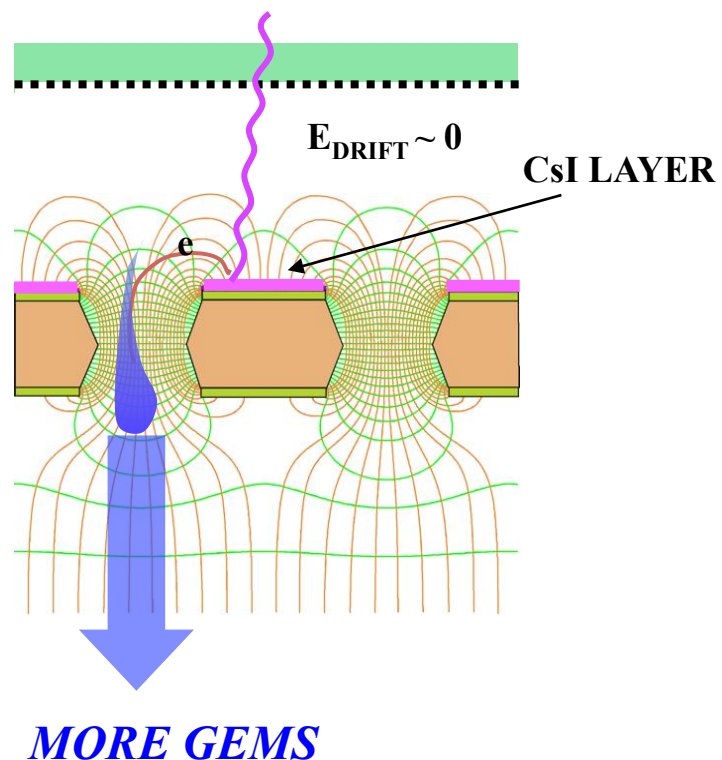


COMPASS RING IMAGING CHERENKOV COUNTER (RICH)

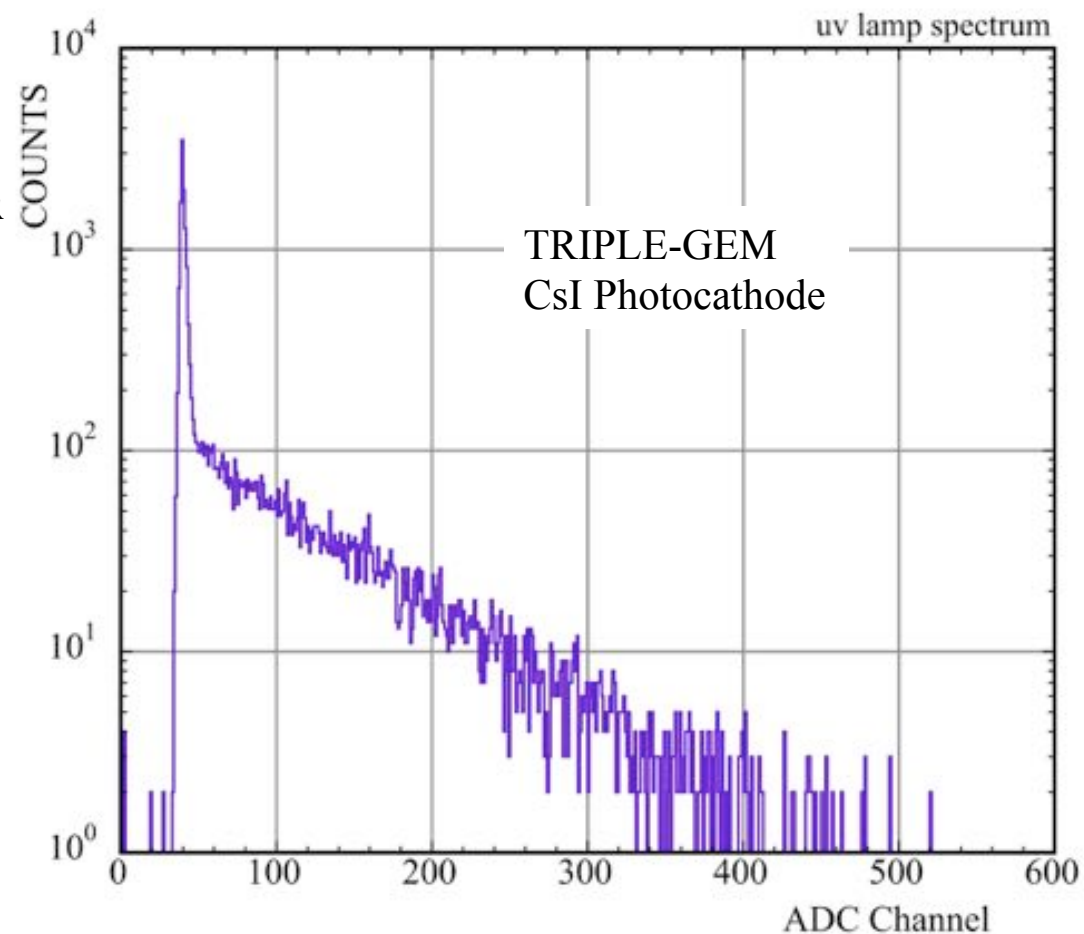


E. Albrecht et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A502(2003)112

GAS ELECTRON MULTIPLIER (GEM)



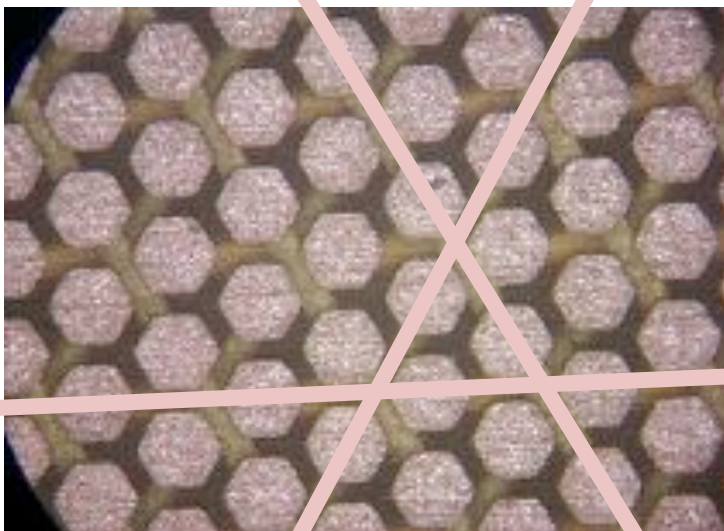
- No photon feedback
- Strong suppression of ions feedback



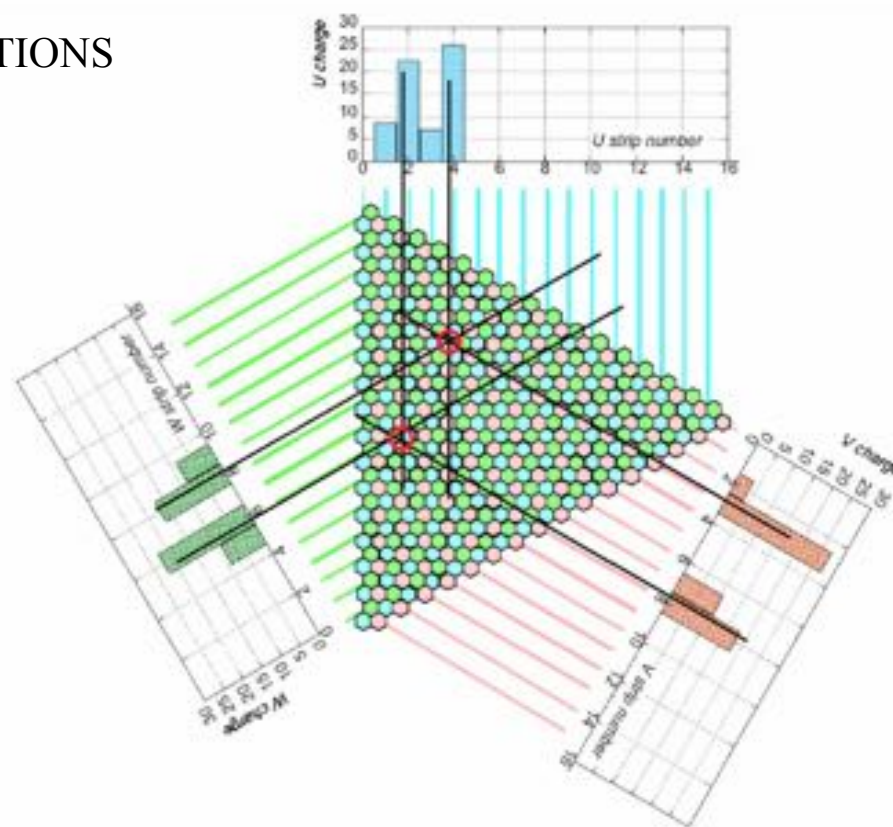
F. Sauli, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A553(2005)18

TRIPLE GEM WITH HEXABOARD READOUT

MATRIX OF HEXAGONAL PADS
INTERCONNECTED ALONG THREE DIRECTIONS

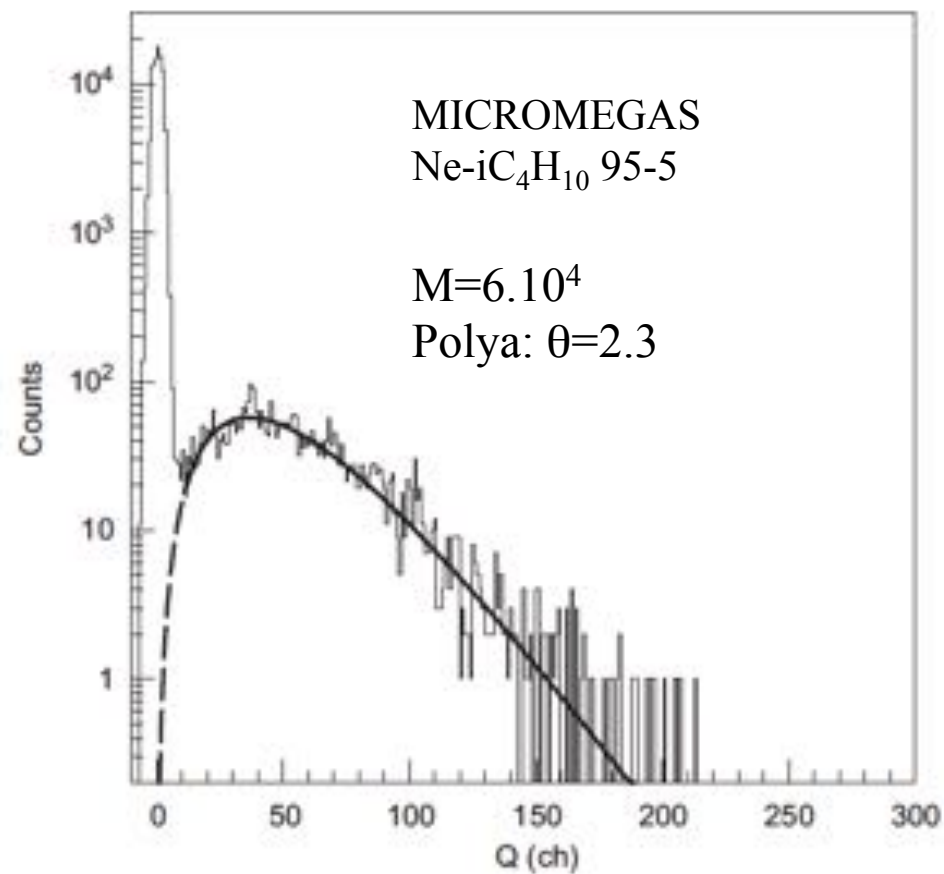
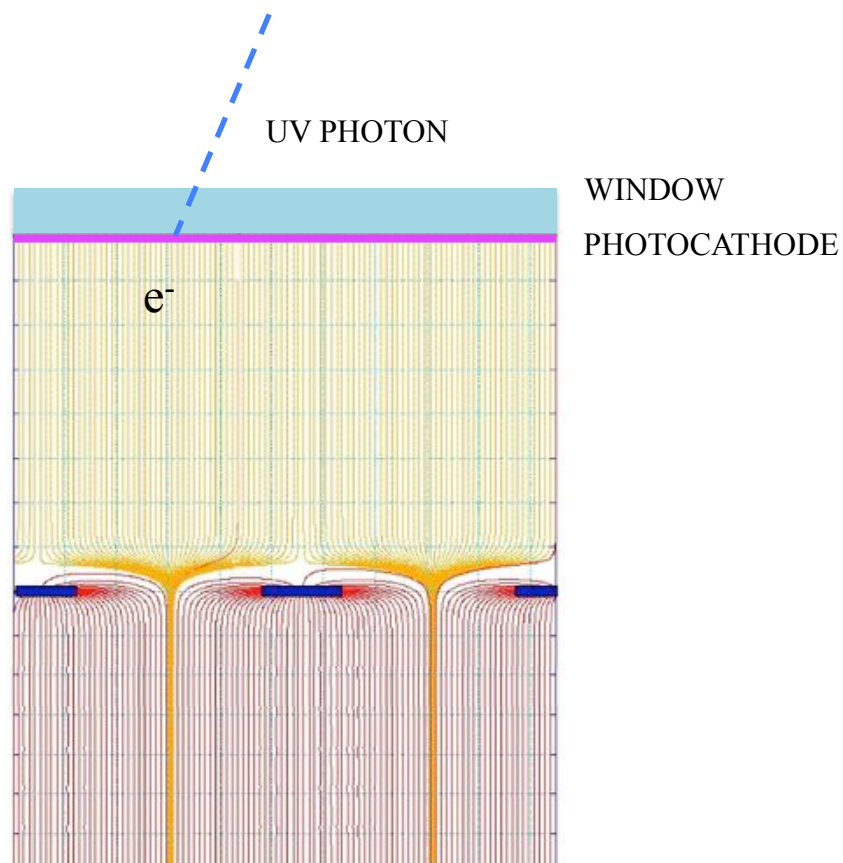


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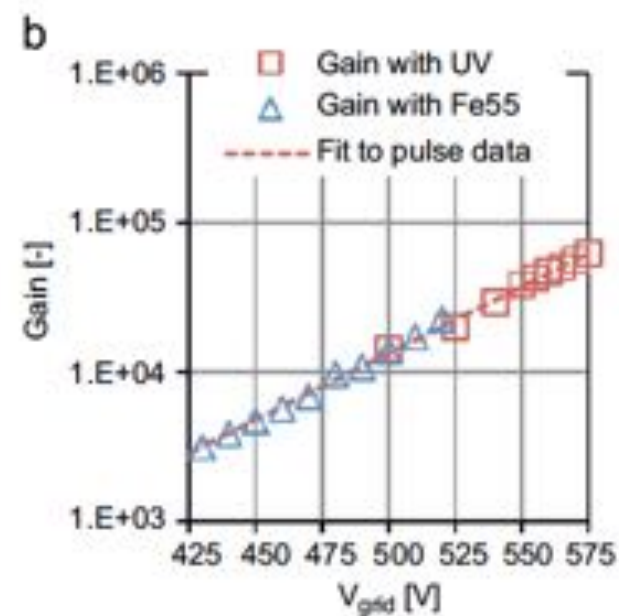
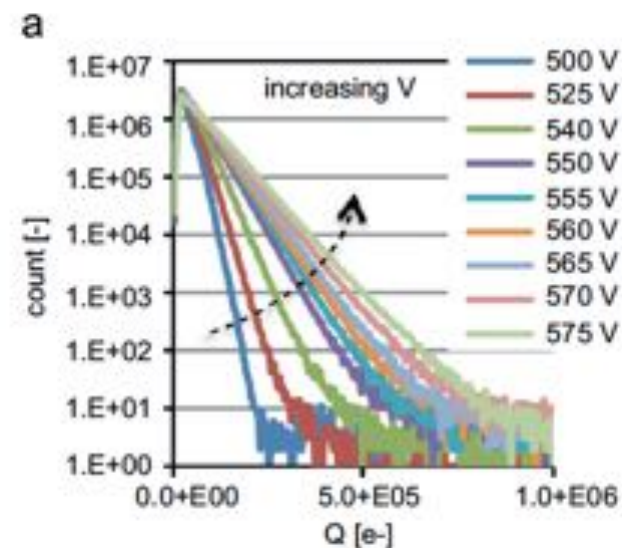
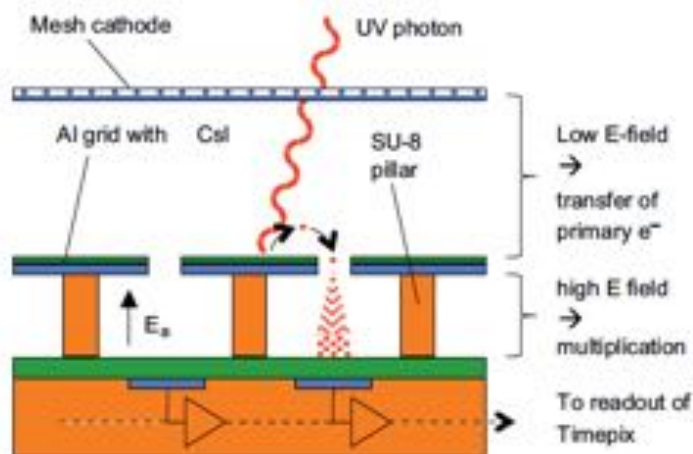
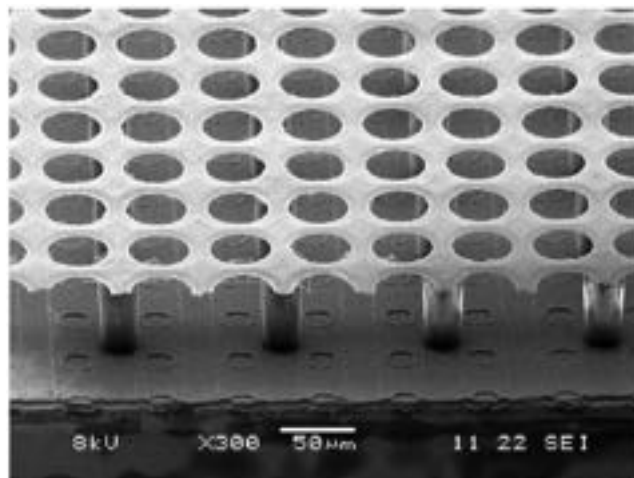
F. Sauli et al, IEEE NSSS 2004 Conf. Rec. Vol. 1, 12

MICROMEAS



T. Zerguerras et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A608(2009)397

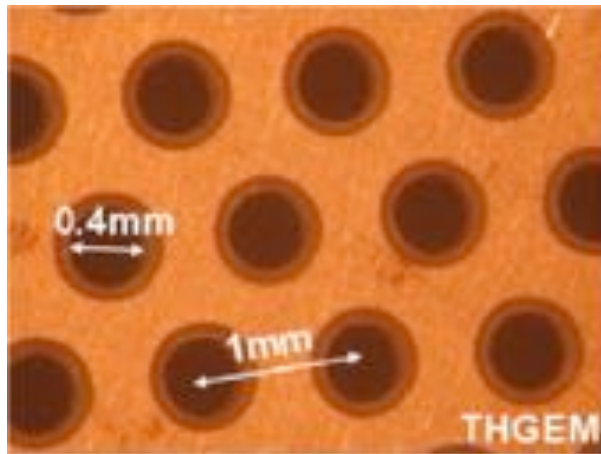
CsI-COATED MICROMEKAS WITH TIMEPIX READOUT



J. Melai et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth, A628(2011)133

MECHANICAL DRILLING OF METAL-CLAD PC BOARD:

- SELF-SUPPORTING
- HIGH GAIN



*R. Chechik et al,
Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A535(2004)303*

*A. Breskin et al,
Nucl. Instr. And Meth. A623(2010)132*

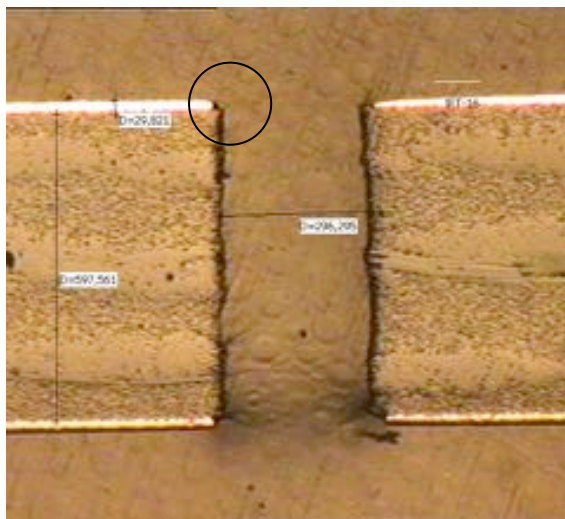
ALSO NAMED LARGE ELECTRON MULTIPLIER (LEM)

P. Janneret, Thesis at Neuchatel University (2001)

A. Badertscher et al, Nucl. Instr. And Meth. A617(2010)188



DEVELOPMENT FOR THE COMPASS RICH UPGRADE

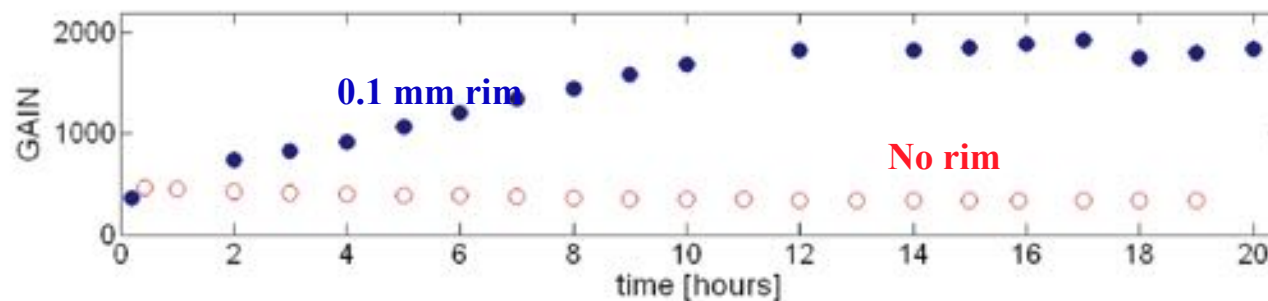
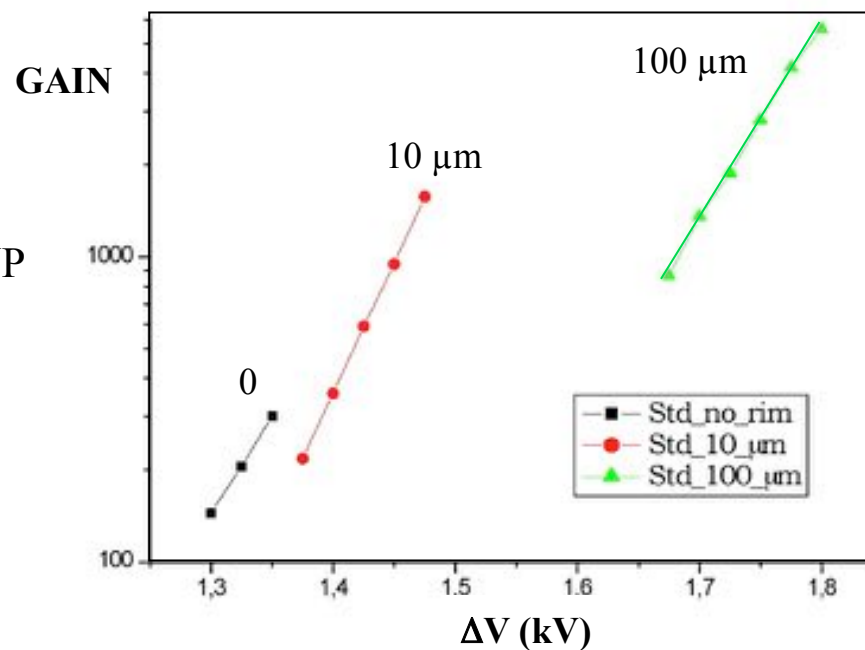


LARGE RIM:

- HIGH GAIN
- CHARGING UP

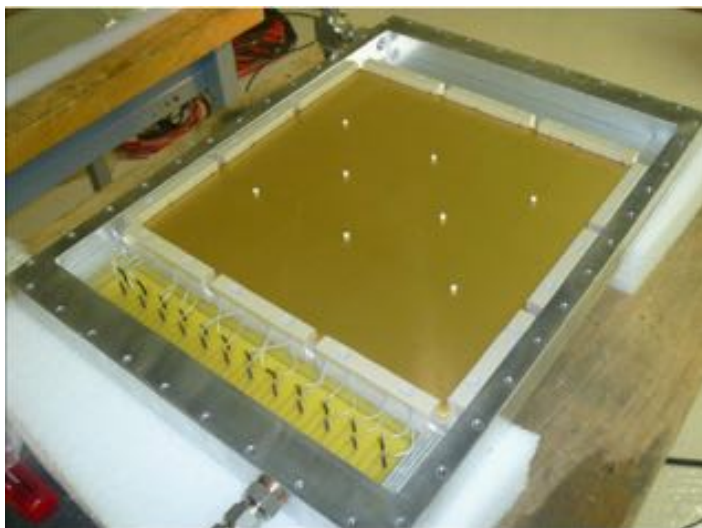
RIMLESS:

- LOW GAIN
- STABLE

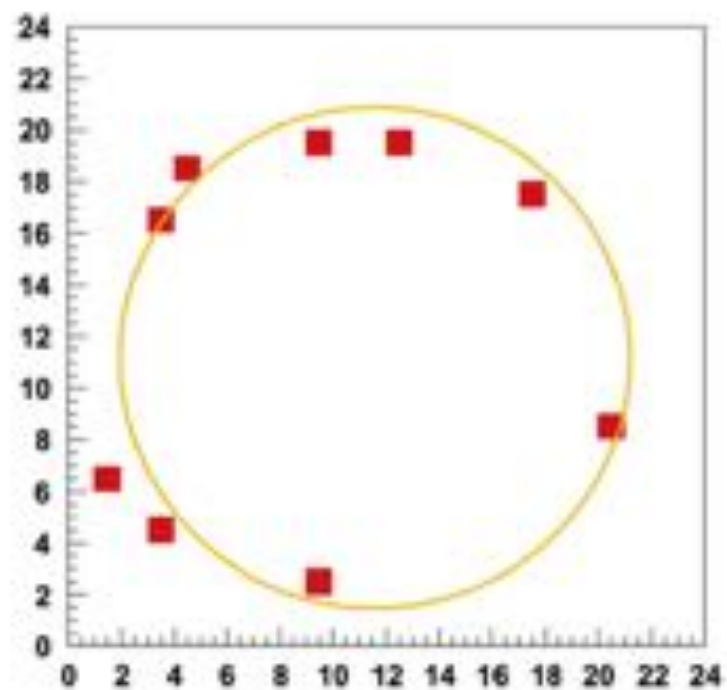


M. Alexeev et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A695(2012)159

COMPASS RICH UPGRADE PROTOTYPE
TRIPLE-THICK GEM CsI-COATED 30x30 cm²

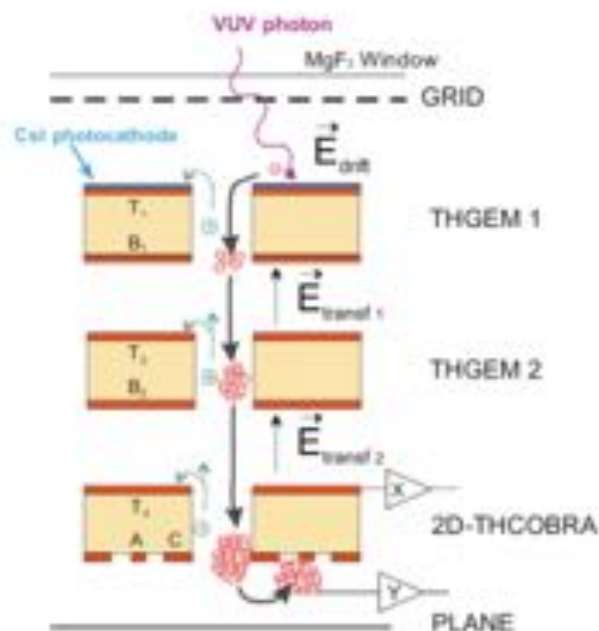


9-PHOTONS RING



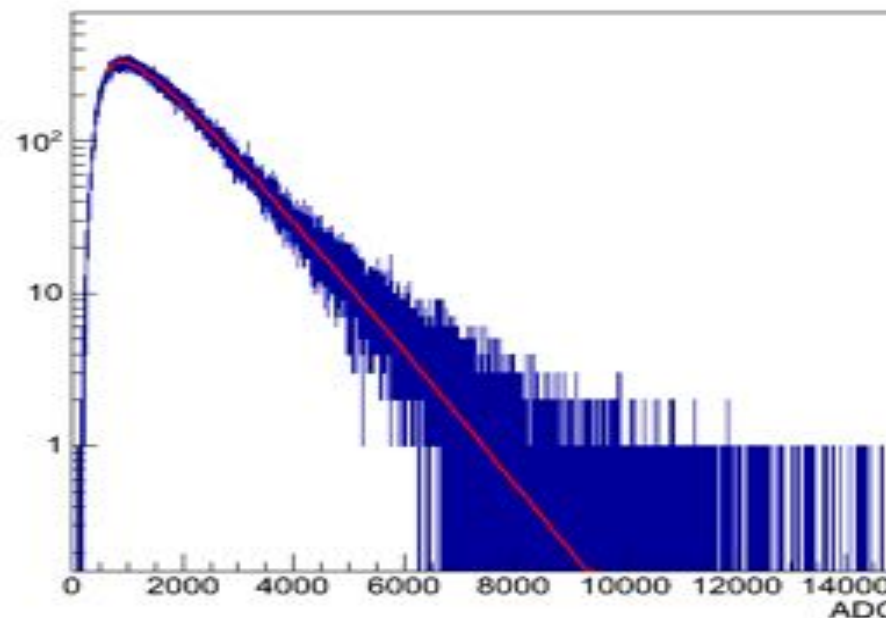
M. Alexeev et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A732(2013)264

THICK COBRA



F. Amaro et al JINST5 (2010)

*J.F.C.A.Veloso et al
Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A639(2011)*



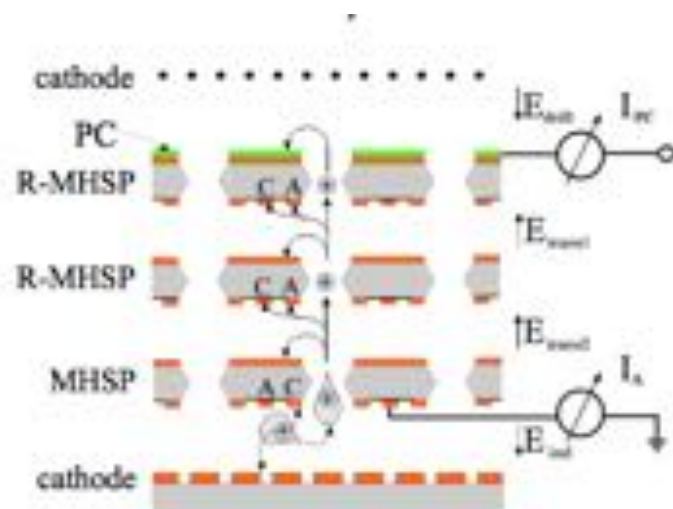
- $G > 10^6$
- collection efficiency $\sim 100\%$
- $R_{p(\text{anode})} = 60 \mu\text{m}$
- $R_{p(\text{top})} = 90 \mu\text{m}$
- only a few discharges for several months even for high photon flux

NEW STRUCTURES:

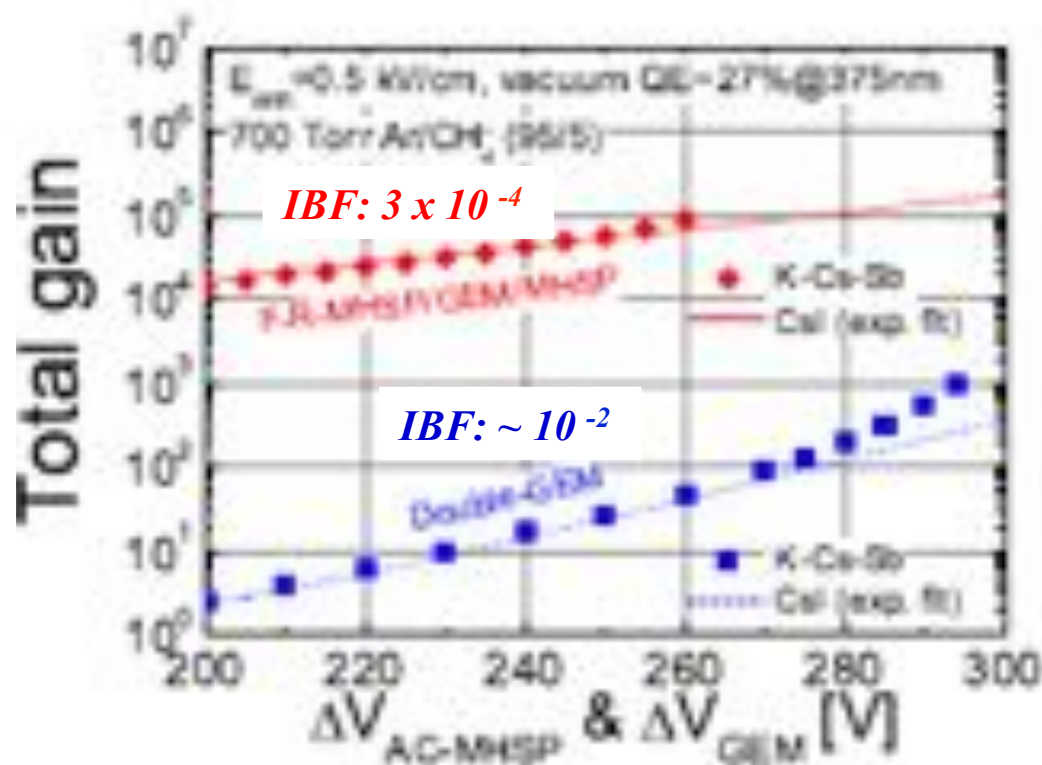
COBRA, MICRO-HOLES AND STRIPS, PACEM....

GEM+MICRO-HOLE AND SRIP PLATE

GEM-MHSP:



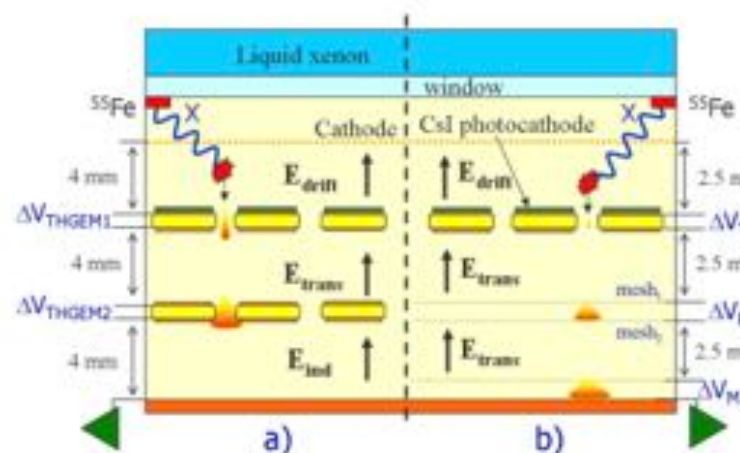
R. Chechik, A. Breskin,
Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A595(2008)116



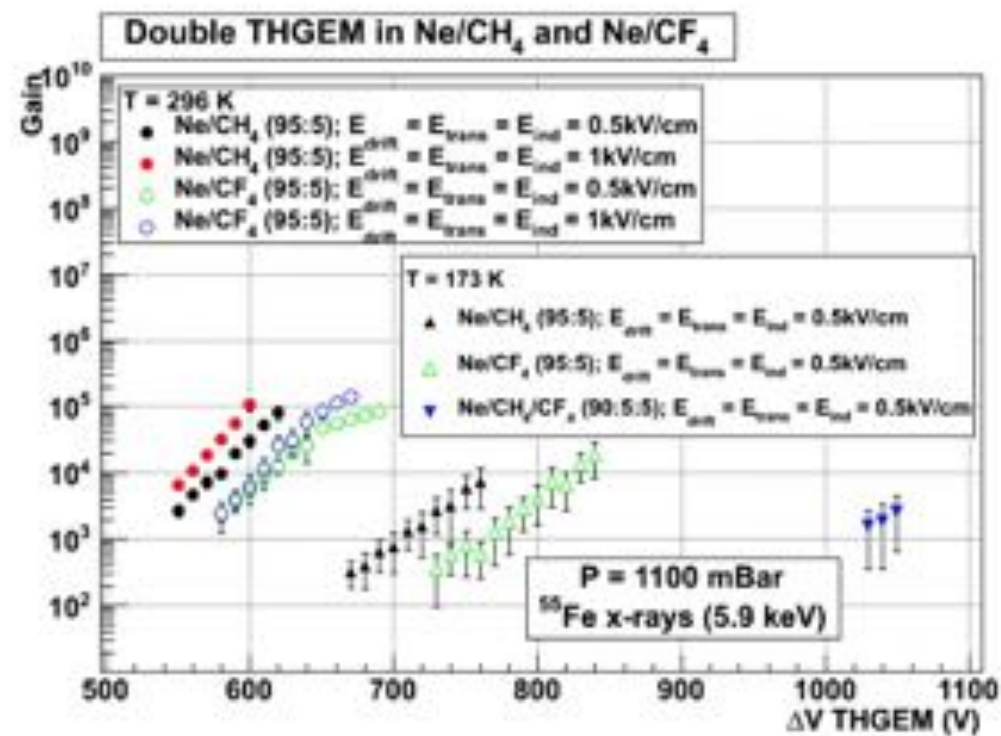
A.V.Lyashenko et al., 2009 JINST 4 P07005

LIQUID XENON

THICK-GEM with CsI Photocathode + MICROMEAS



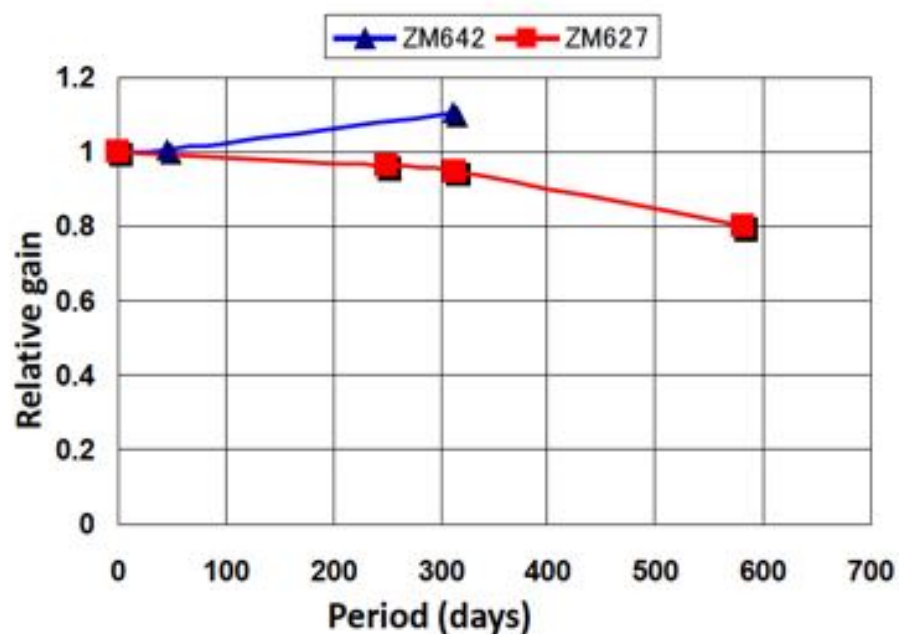
S. Duval et al., JINST 6(2011)P04007



KAPTON AND PYREX GEM DETECTORS

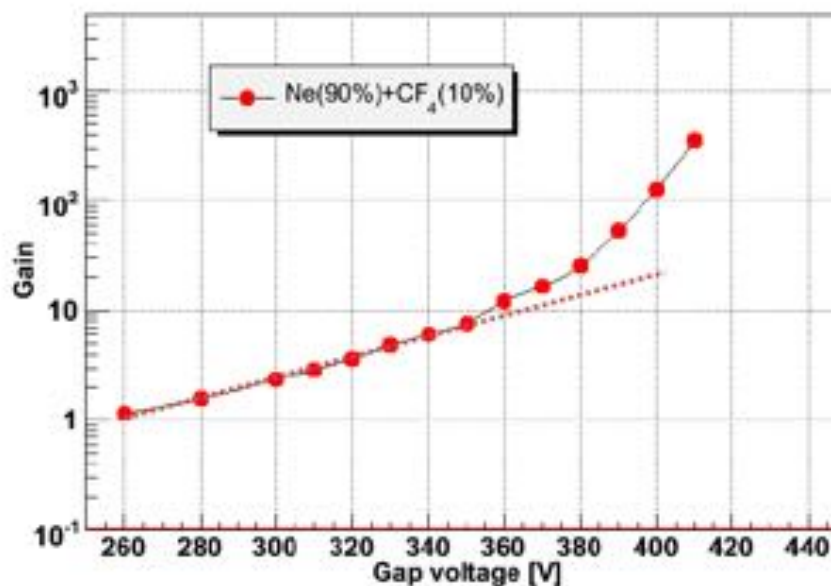
Bi-alkali Photocathode in Ar-CH₄ (90-10)

Long term stability



GAIN VS VOLTAGE

GasPMT with Pyrex glass CP



T. Sumiyoshi et al Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A639(2011)121

Energy resolution: $\left(\frac{\sigma_E}{E}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sigma_N}{N}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_M}{M}\right)^2$

$\uparrow$ Ionization $\uparrow$ Avalanche statistics

Average gain: $M = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N A_i = \bar{A}$ A_i : single electron avalanche size

Gain variance: $\sigma_M^2 = \left(\frac{1}{N}\right)^2 \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_A^2$ $\left(\frac{\sigma_M}{M}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{N} \left(\frac{\sigma_A}{\bar{A}}\right)^2$

Furry statistics: $\sigma_A = \bar{A}$ $\left(\frac{\sigma_A}{\bar{A}}\right)^2 = 1$

Polya statistics: $\left(\frac{\sigma_A}{\bar{A}}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{\bar{A}} + b$ $b = \frac{1}{1 + \theta}$

Ionization variance: $\sigma_N^2 = F N$ F: Fano factor

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_E}{E}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{N} (F + b)$$

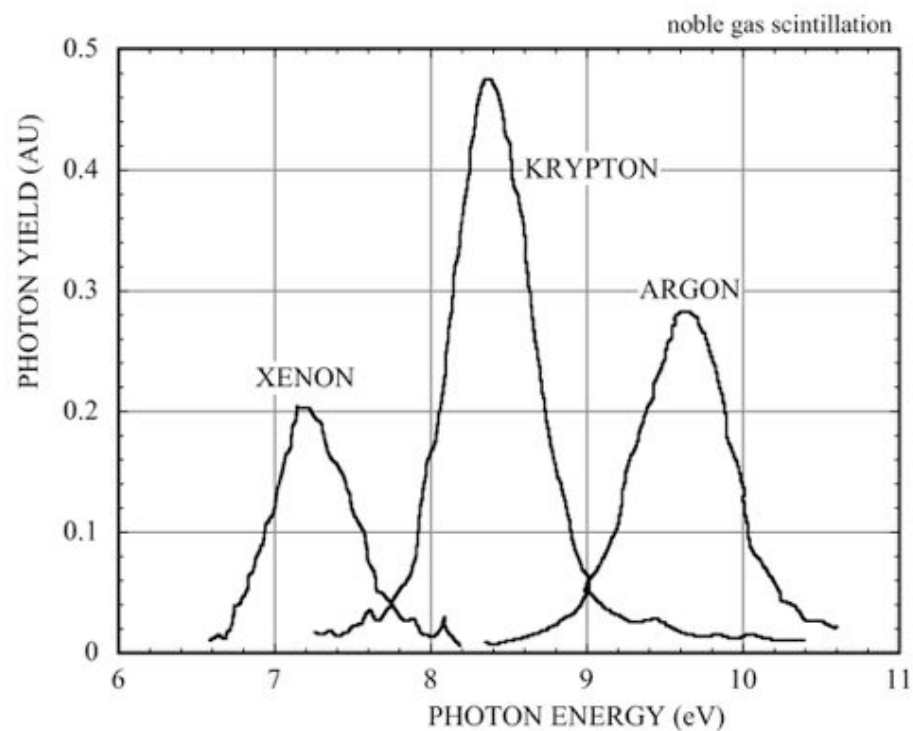
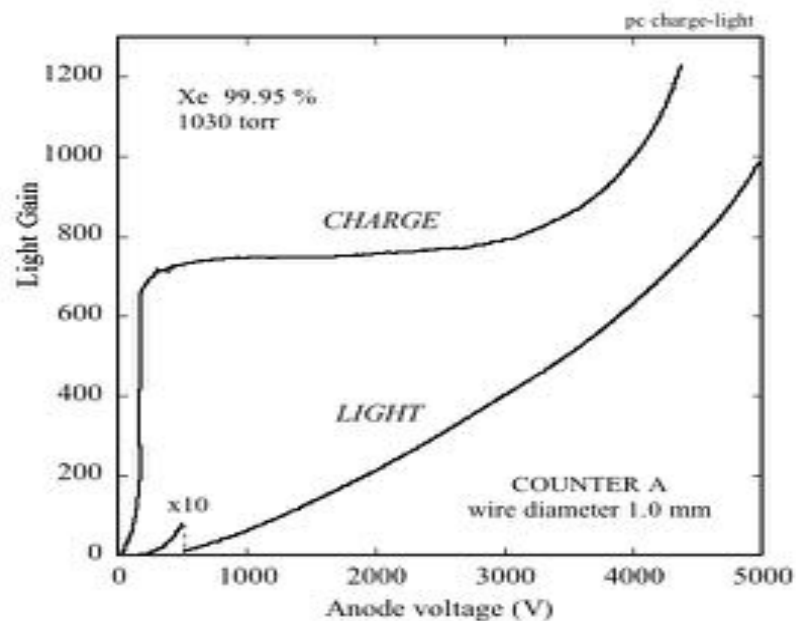
Furry: $b=1$ Polya: $b = 1/(1 - \theta)$

FANO FACTORS

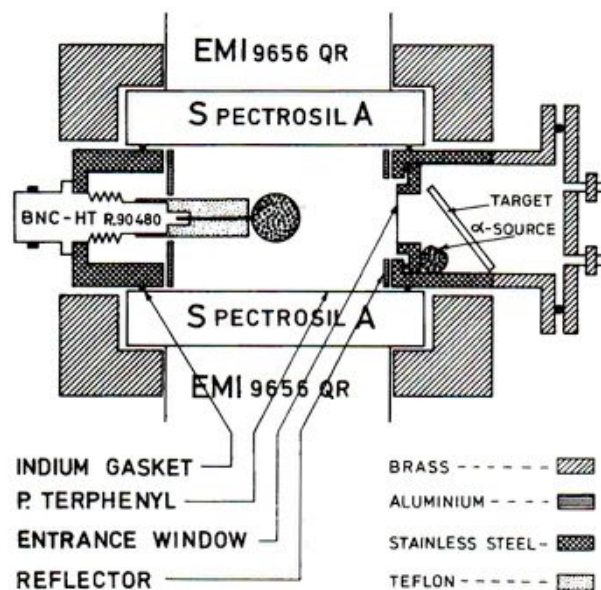
GAS	F
Ar	0.19
Ar-CH ₄	0.19
Xe	<0.17
Ne+0.5%Ar	0.05

PHOTON EMISSION BEFORE CHARGE MULTIPLICATION:
NO AVALANCHE DISPERSIONS

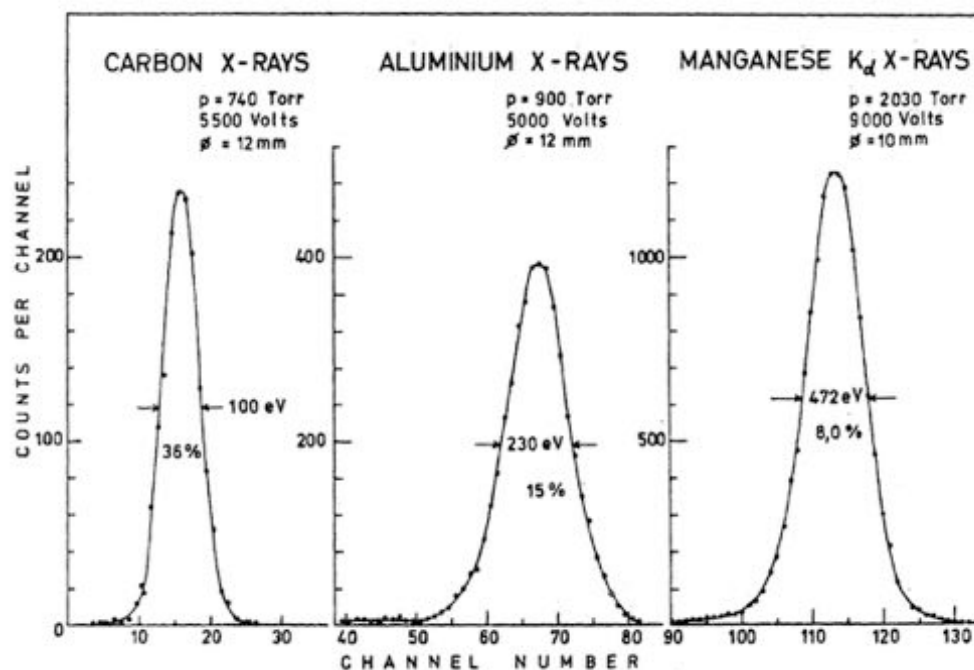
NOBLE GASES SCINTILLATION SPECTRA ~1bar



SCINTILLATION COUNTERS

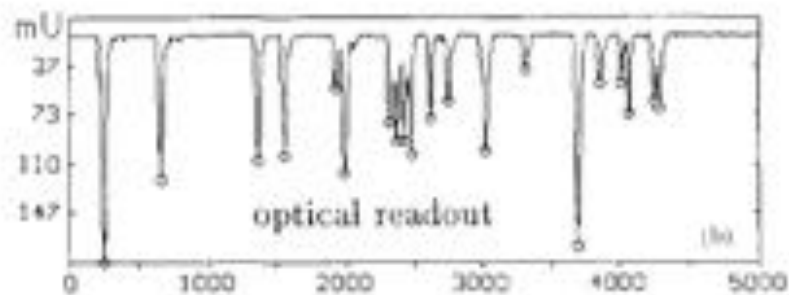
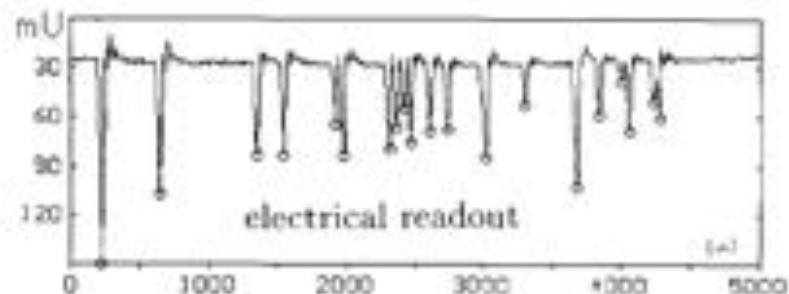


ENERGY RESOLUTION:
CLOSE TO STATISTICAL LIMIT

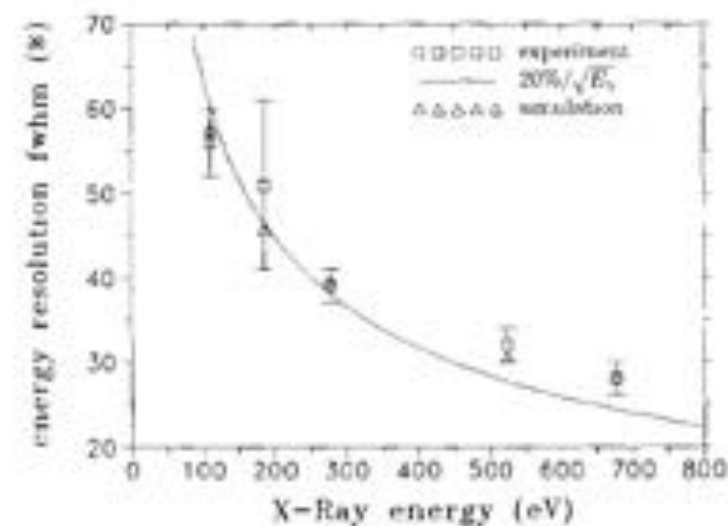
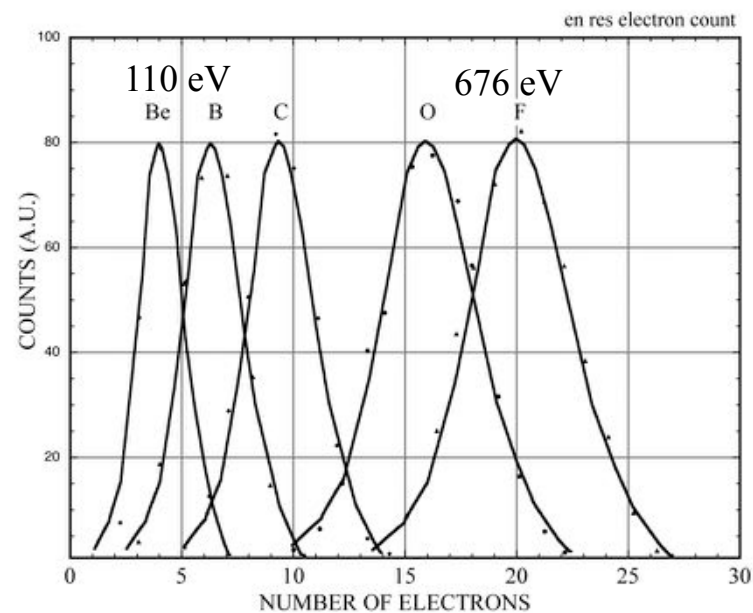


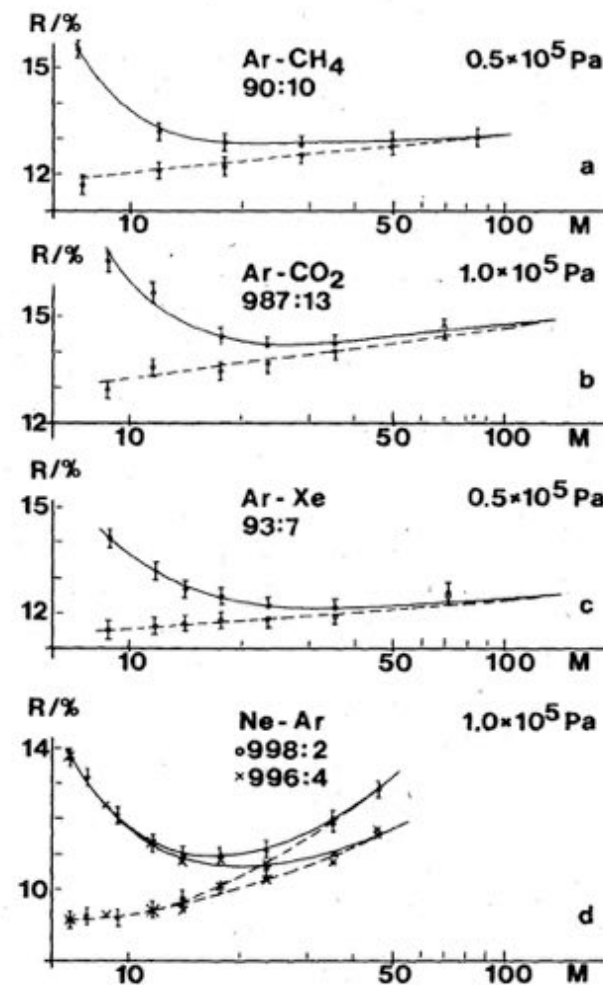
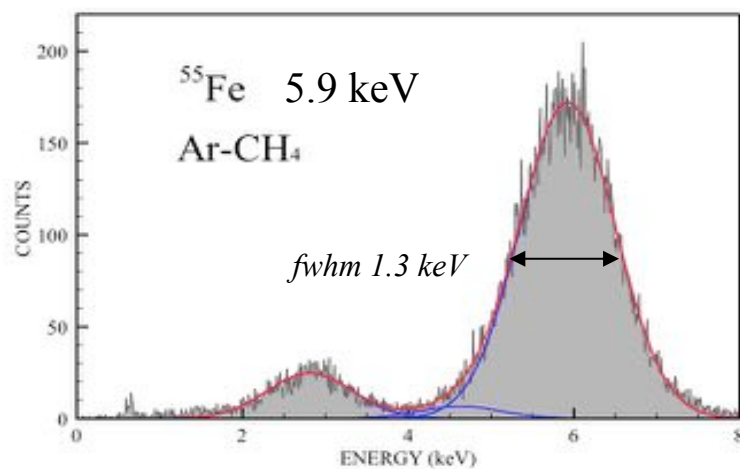
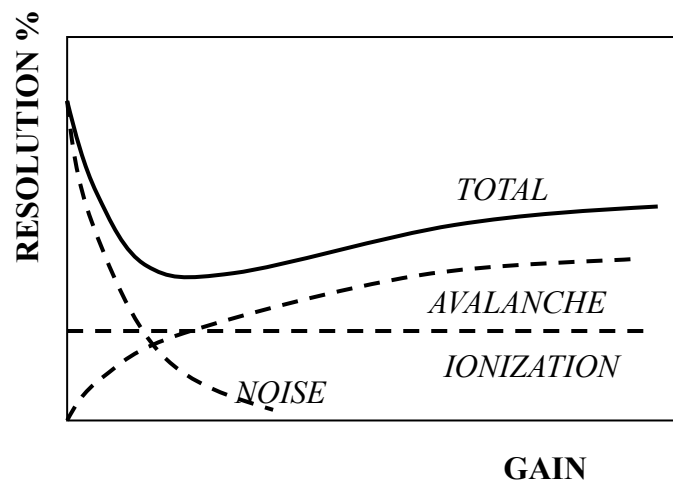
A. Policarpo et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. 102(1972)337

LOW PRESSURE (10 Torr) PROPORTIONAL COUNTER



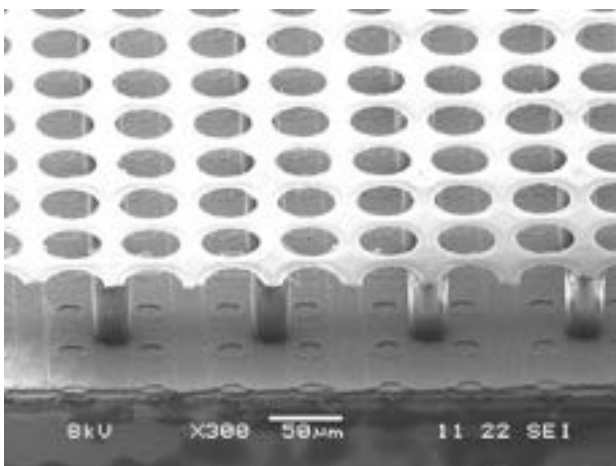
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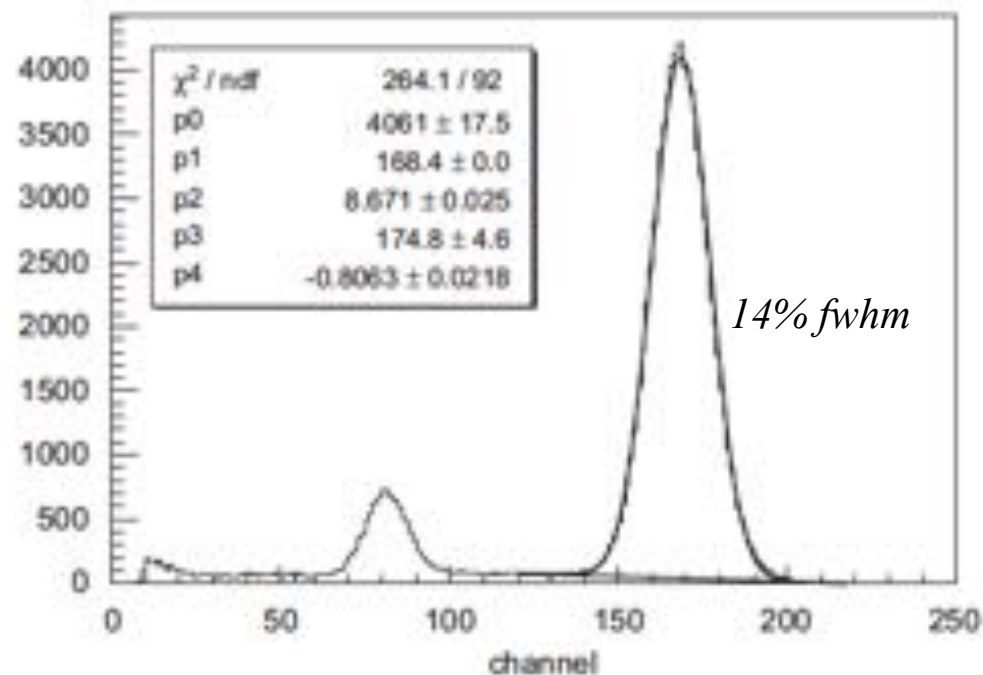


H. Sipilä and E. Kiuru, Adv. X-Ray Analysis 21(1978)

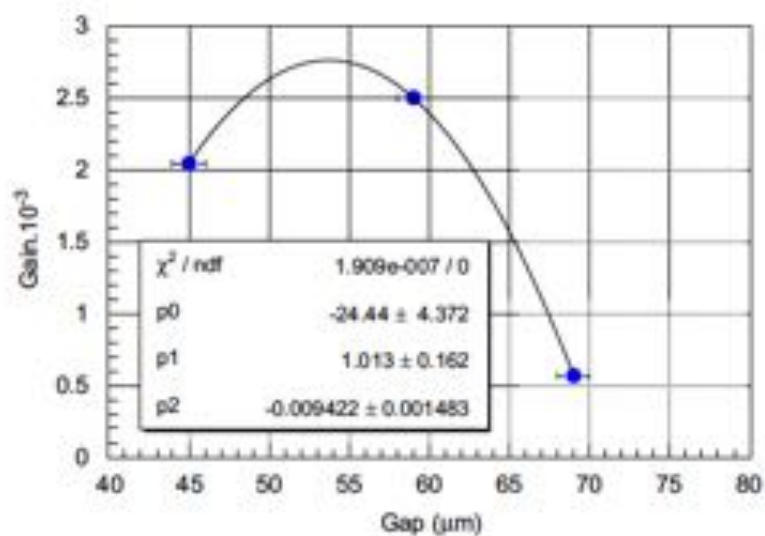
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5.9 keV ^{55}Fe in Ar-CH₄ 90-10

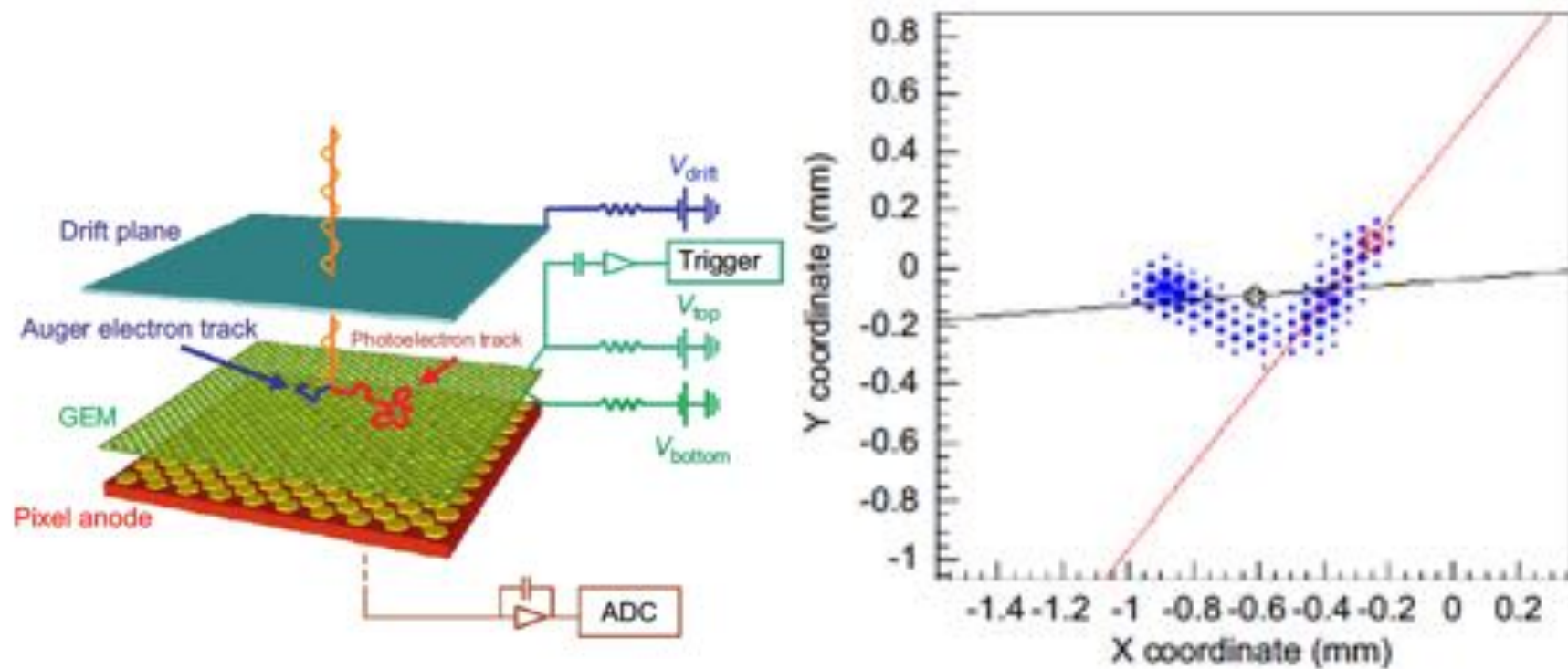


GAP INDEPENDENCE OF GAIN

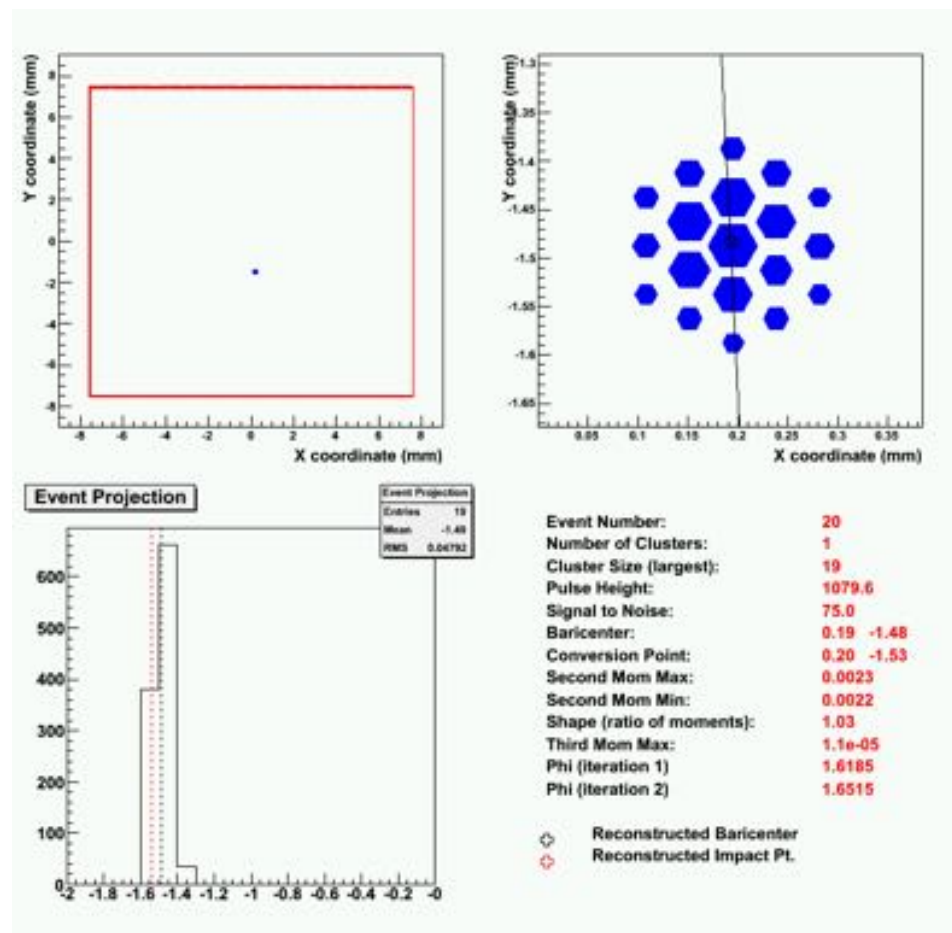
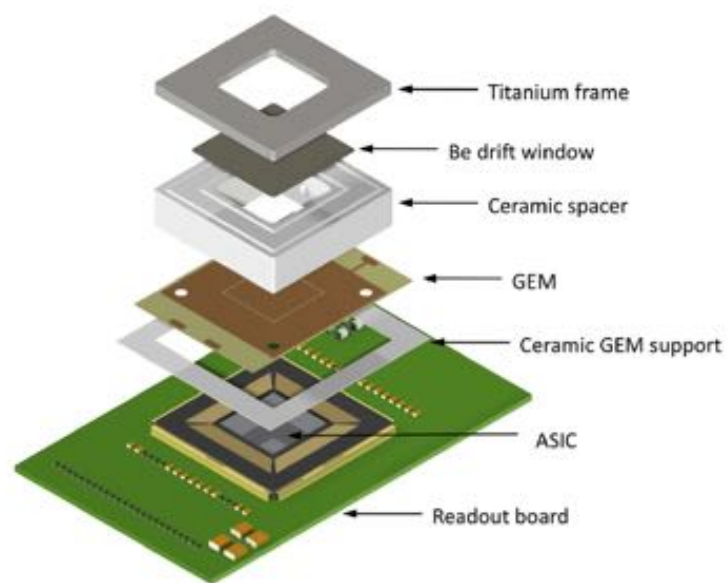


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X-RAY POLARIMETER

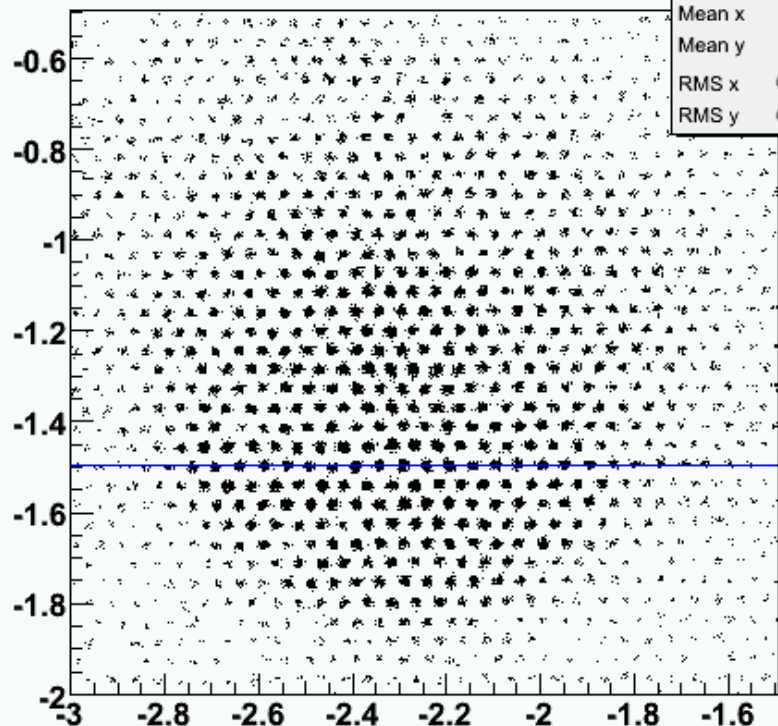


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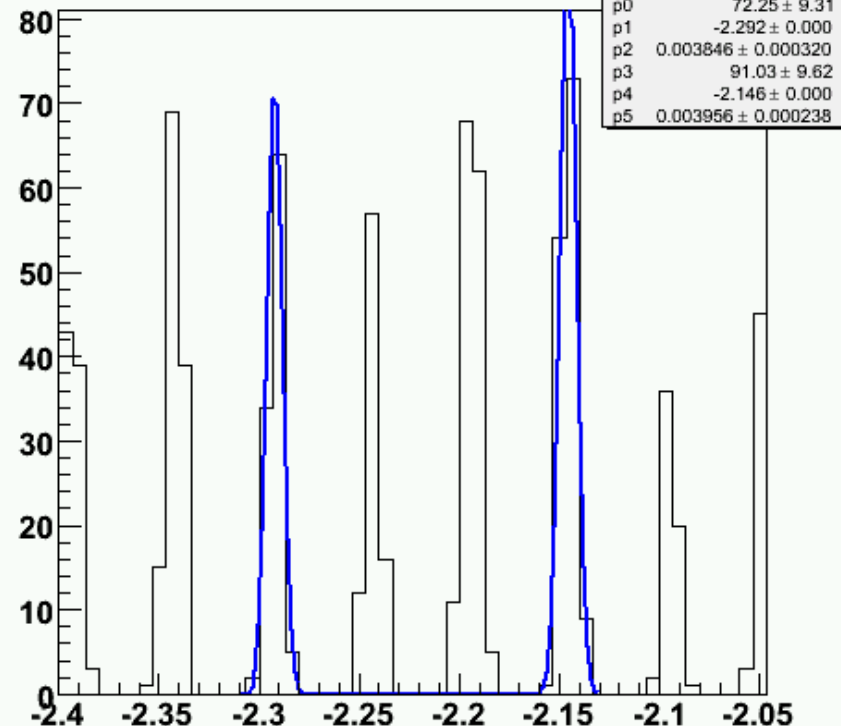


R. Bellazzini et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A581(2007)246

Baricenter position



X Projection


 $\sigma \sim 4 \mu\text{m}$

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