



# Detectors in high energy physics

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Proton-proton collision

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Manifested hadrons are what actually escape, and will be detected.

My sketch of the innards of a proton at high energy

Proton-proton collision

Both baryons/mesons produced, both stable/unstable produced. Unstable hadrons undergo decays, of course. (Different ways to hadronize 'same' initial state)

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#### Some relevant properties

Name	Mass	Approx. Travel distance
e	0.51 MeV	stable
γ	0	stable
μ	105 MeV	6250 m
τ	1.8 GeV	50 µm
$\pi^{\pm}$	140 MeV	56 m
n	939 MeV	10 <sup>11</sup> m
W	80.4 GeV	10 <sup>-19</sup> m
Z	91.2 GeV	10 <sup>-19</sup> m

Some particles can be detected directly, some will decay – so we must infer their presence.

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### Energy Loss in material

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Particle interacting with bulk material

A beam of particles passes through a slab of material – (a) many small interactions (b) All-or-nothing

(a) Add up the energy losses and deflections statistically.(b) Either particle is eliminated, or it moves through undeflected.

Heavy charged particles lose energy through ionization or excitation of atoms of material, with the energy loss dE/dx given by the Bethe-Bloch equation dE/dx is proportional to Z<sup>2</sup> of absorber, q<sup>2</sup> of the particle, and inversely proportional to speed of incoming particle.

At high energies, radiative losses and pair production dominate energy loss. In addition we have Cerenkov radiation (particle velocity > phase velocity of light in that medium) and Transition Radiation (when particle traverses materials of different optical properties)

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#### Interactions with matter

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Photon Energy

#### What would we like to measure?

1. The 4-vector of the particle, i.e. the momentum  $p^-$  and the energy E. The momentum is a vector, so we will also get direction of the particle's travel.

2. Charge

- 3. If it decays, then where? Its lifetime?
- 4. How many particles of each kind
- 5. Anything special? Did the particle interact unusually with our detector?

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## Typical detector design

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A particle produced in a collision will traverse the different sub detectors where it will interact.

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Different particles will interact differently (!!) since that is how we design the detector

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# Building a detector

Aim: measure the 4-vectors of the particles produced in a collision Use various subdetectors in a careful design to identify particles.

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Tracker: measures trajectory of charged particles, and sign of charge.

Calorimeters: Measures energy of the particle (needs to stop particle completely)

Muon detector: just another tracker.

#### Tracker: silicon pixel

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Consider a silicon diode, with reverse bias applied.

A passing charged particle created electron-hole pairs.

These electrons drift to the end where the total charge is read out.

The typical size of a pixel is 150×150  $\mu$ m<sup>2</sup> with a thickness of 300 microns, and a charged particle will lose some keV of energy passing through it.

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### Tracker: silicon pixels

Imagine a stack of pixel layers.

As a particle goes through, we can trace its path based on which pixels are lit up.

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#### Tracker: silicon strip

Imagine a stack of pixel layers.

As a particle goes through, we can trace its path based on which pixels are lit up.

But pixels are expensive to make, and there will be too many readout channels.

We can make silicon strip detectors to cover a larger area with less readout channels.

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#### Tracker: for muons

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DTs: Drift tubes

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Trackers measure charge, momentum, trajectory They do not stop the particle!

Calorimeters measure energy of particle. They need to stop the particle (thus measuring complete energy!)

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#### Calorimeters

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Homogenous calorimeter The absorber is also the detector, with typically light being collected by a sensor.

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Sampling calorimeter Passive heavy material layers interspersed with the active layers that detect energy deposited.

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#### 40 GeV electron in a lead glass block.

ELSS The Electromagnetic Shower Simulator https://www.mpp.mpg.de/~menke/elss/home.shtml

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### Electromagnetic shower

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Bremsstrahlung Pair-production Collisions with atomic electrons Ionization

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#### Hadronic shower

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Elastic and inelastic scattering, Nuclear excitations, disassociations Fission, capture, (Secondary decays)

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#### **ECAL (Electromagnetic Calorimeter) :**

PbWO4 crystals connected to photomultipliers. The crystal "scintillates" when electrons/photons pass through it.

PbW0<sub>4</sub> CMS, X<sub>0</sub>=0.89 cm

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#### HCAL (Hadronic Calorimeter) :

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### Particle Identification

Which particles can we detect directly?

Electrons, Muons, Taus,Photons,Quarks, gluons manifest as jets (of hadrons)<br/>(b-jet, c-jet, q-g discrimination)Standard Model of Elementary Particles

These hadronize, producing hadrons such as pions, kaons, neutrons etc.

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## Consider the transverse plane

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→ X

The beam is in & out of page at the center.

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## Missing momentum

Defined as the negative of the vector sum of  $p_T$  of all observed particles.

This means one has to understand all the observed particles well.

Mismeasurements in measuring existing particle 4-vectors will impact missing momentum.

These mismeasurements have to be modeled well in simulations!

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CMS Experiment at LHC, CERN Data recorded: Mon Aug 27 17:23:00 2018 IST Run/Event: 321834 / 187716015 Lumi section: 123

#### This is a $\mu^+e^-\mu^-\tau^+$ event with 4 bjets

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Thank you!