# History & Future of Radiation Detection

The Early Days
Imaging Detectors
Gas Detectors
Solid State Detectors
Scintillators
Photomultipliers
Outlook

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# **Setting the Stage**

"New directions in science are launched by new tools much more often than by new concepts.

The effect of a concept-driven revolution is to explain old things in new ways.

The effect of a tool-driven revolution is to discover new things that have to be explained"

Freeman Dyson

New tools and technologies will be extremely important to go beyond LHC and the next generation of detectors in astroparticle physics



**Freeman Dyson** 

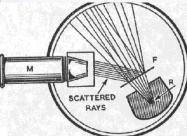
- Photographic plates
- Electroscope
- Fluorescent screens

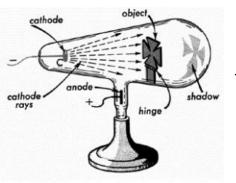


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W. Crook's cathode ray tube invented ~1870



Frau Röntgen's Hand

#### **Photographic plates**

- On Nov. 8, 1895 W. Röntgen notices a faint glow on a cardboard coated with Ba[Pt(CN)<sub>4</sub>] when he turned on his Crooks - Cathode Ray tube, which was well shielded with a dark cover!!!
- Glow still present after traversing books on his desk!
- One month later he replaces the fluorescent by a photographic plate and takes 1<sup>st</sup> X-ray photograph ...of his wife's hand!



Wilhelm C. Röntgen (1845 -1923) Nobel Prize 1901

...one year later over 1000 articles, > 50 books on X-rays!

...some people want to burn all work on X-rays and execute its discoverer!

- ...one company advertises selling of X-ray proof underwear
  - ...prohibition to use X-rays in opera glasses in theaters

Ba[Pt(CN)<sub>4</sub>] was at the time a known phosphorescent material

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**The Early Days** 

#### Photographic plates & Electroscope

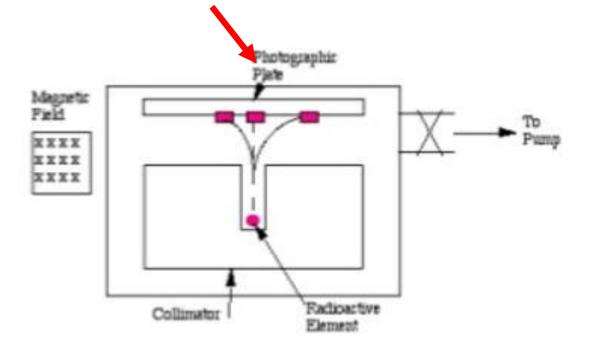
 - 1896 Henri Becquerel (mineralogist) discovers radioactivity: radiation emitted by Uranium salt shared certain characteristics with X-rays, but could be deflected by magnetic field !



Henri Becquerel (1852 -1908) Nobel Prize 1903 (with M. & P. Curie)

 Becquerel notices also that the radiation discharges an electroscope

Position of U-salt on photographic plate



**Charged particles emitted!** 

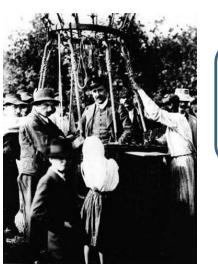


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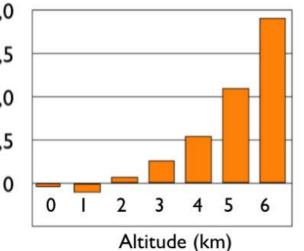
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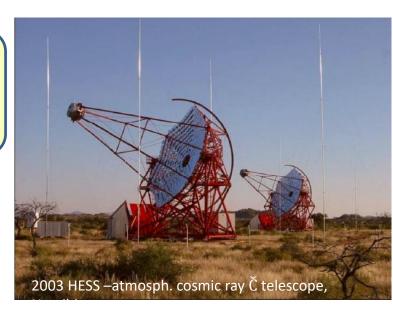


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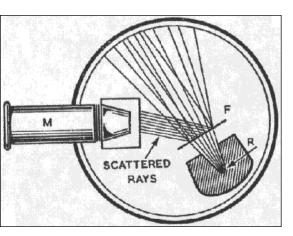


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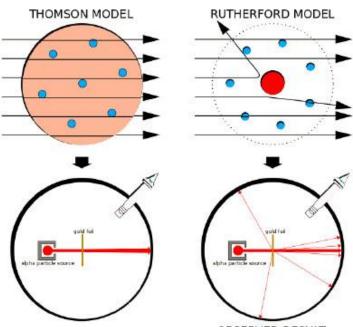


Sphintariscope (W. Crook 1903) σπινθήρ = spark



Atropa belladonna or Deadly night shade - 1911 E. Rutherford at U. Manchester studies scattering of  $\alpha$  – particles on a Gold foil and uses a Zinc Sulfate screen as detector (E. R. @ McGill from 1898 – 1907)

- As an  $\alpha$  – particles hits the screen, a flash can be recorded by eye through the microscope







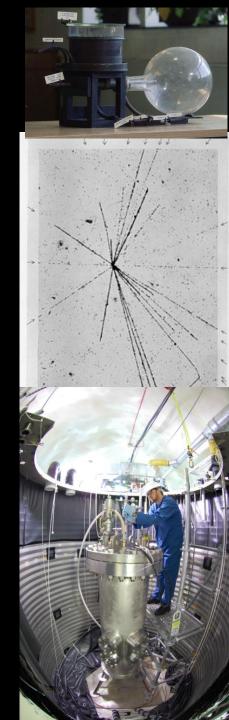
Ernest Rutherford (1845 -1923) Nobel Prize 1908

Discovery of the atomic nucleus!

# **The First Imaging Detectors**

- Cloud Chambers
- Nuclear Emulsions
- Bubble Chambers

....details on Basic Detector Physics  $\rightarrow$  Alison Lister's talk

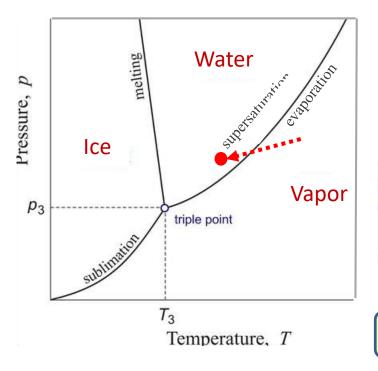


## **The Cloud Chamber**

- In 1895 Charles T. R. Wilson studies clouds as a meteorologist at the Cavendish labs (Cambridge)
- Observation  $\rightarrow$  less clouds in dust-free air !
- Carries container allowing expansion of humid air on mountain tops
- Thomson & Rutherford at Cavendish: X-rays cause ionization in gases
- 1906 W. exposes chamber to X-rays: sees dramatic increase in # of drops



C.T.R. Wilson (1869-1959) Nobel Prize 1927 with A. Compton



#### ...a suspicion:

Water condenses around ionization when pressure is lowered and vapor becomes supersaturated



Particle track as mist - like trail of small water droplets

# **The Cloud Chamber**

Perfected by Wilson in 1912 to detect radiation



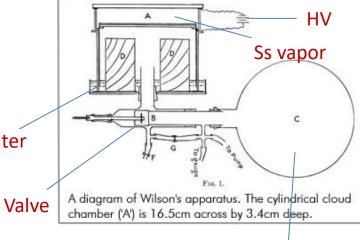
#### Another important ingredient:

- 1908 A.M. Worthington develops high speed photography using μs sparks
- CC becomes device to study different kinds of radiation

or tracks from radium

In Spring 1911 first images with  $\alpha,\,\beta,\,x$  and  $\gamma\text{-rays}$ 





Vacuum

Prominent role in experimental particle physics from the 1920s to the 1950s

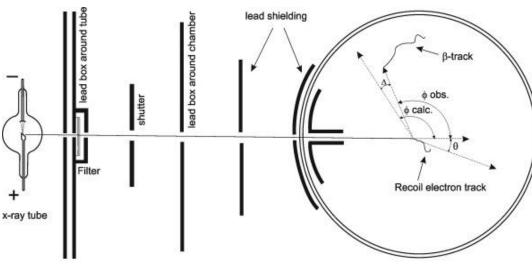
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A.M.W. : 'A study of flashes'

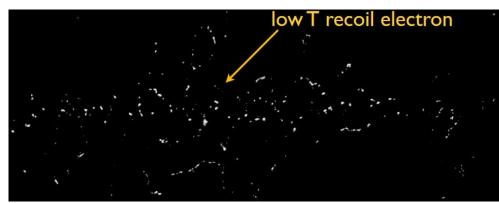
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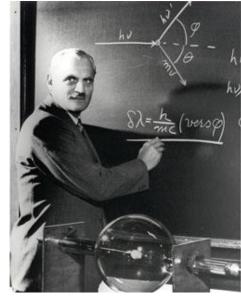
1923, A. Compton reports measurement of "shift" in frequency of x-rays scattered from electrons.

The "Compton recoil electron" is predicted. Should have low kinetic energy (T)



Wilson cloud chamber





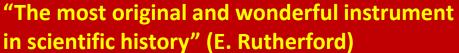
A. Compton (1982-1962) Nobel prize 1927 with Wilson

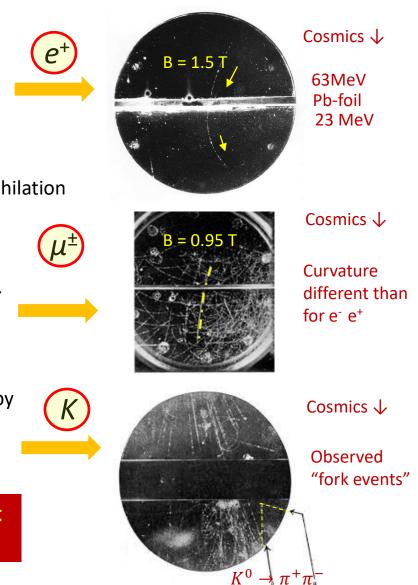
1923 Wilson uses X-ray tube & shows images of recoil electrons with low T supporting Compton's claim for a quantum interaction between light & electrons

### **The Cloud Chamber – More Discoveries**

CC was until the invention of the Bubble Chamber in 1950 the principal method for studying particle tracks (~ 40 y!)

- 1933 Discovery of positron by C.D. Anderson Nobel prize 1936 with V. Hess
- 1933 Visualization of pair-production and e<sup>+</sup> annihilation by Blackett & Occhialini
- 1937: Discovery of muon by C. D. Anderson and S. Neddermeyer "who ordered that?" (I. Rabin)
- 1947 Discovery of first strange particles (Kaons) by C. Butler & G. Rochester (V-particle)





# The CLOUD Project at CERN 2009 - 2019

#### Cosmics Leaving Outdoor Droplets



- Study microphysics betw. cosmic rays and aerosols under controlled conditions (solar variability?)
- 26 m<sup>3</sup> CC with  $N_2/O_2 + H_2O$  + other gases @ SPS beam
- UV light for photolysis + E-field
- Humid air  $\rightarrow$  adiab. expansion  $\rightarrow$  beam interaction

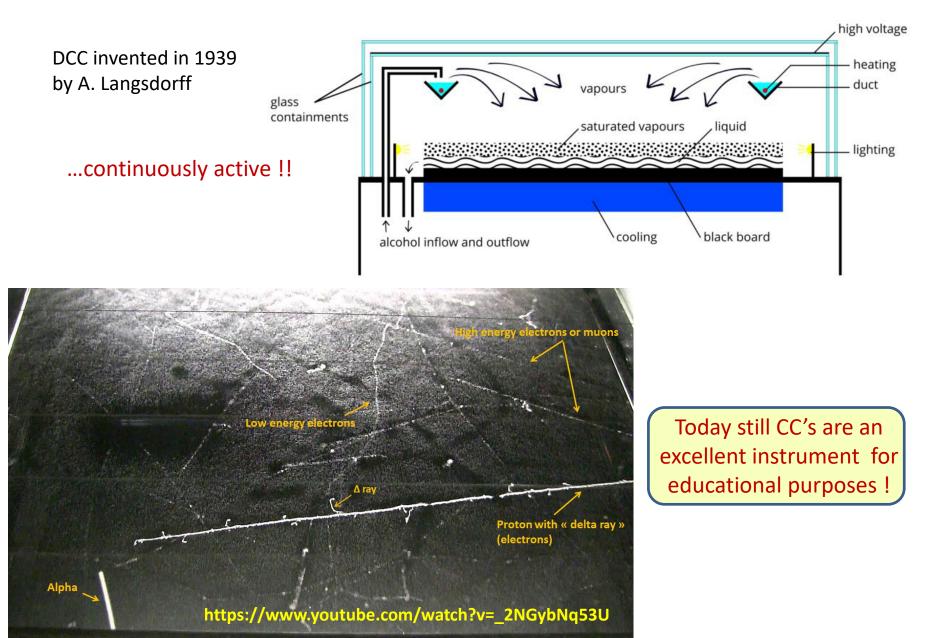
#### **Findings:**

- Biogenic vapors emitted by trees have significant impact on cloud formation
- Correlation CR ↔ aerosol formation less important in presence of SO<sub>2</sub>
- Pre-industrial climate conditions cloudier
- However "results seem not to support hypothesis that CR significantly affect climate" (Still somewhat controversial...)



<sup>17</sup> Institutions / 9 Countries

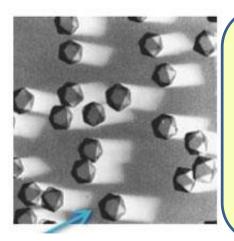
### **The TRIUMF Diffusion Cloud Chamber**



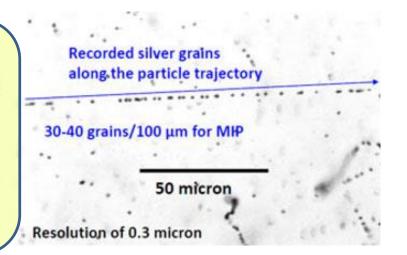
# **Nuclear Emulsions**

Since early 20th century photography important for radiation studies, but no capability to see tracks

- M. Blau was an Austrian physicist who pioneered the development of photographic methods for imaging nuclear processes in the 1920s and 1930s.
- R&D on especially thick phot. emulsions 10 200  $\mu m$  thick
- Analysis of emulsion with microscope
- Track density  $\rightarrow$  info on dE/dx

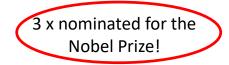


After the passage of charged particles through the emulsion, a latent image is produced. The emulsion chemical development makes Ag grains visible with an optical microscope

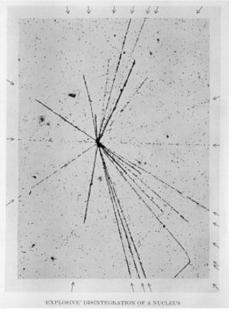




Marietta Blau (1894-1970)



AgBr (~ 0.2 μm)



### **Nuclear Emulsions - Discoveries**

1937 M. Blau & H. Wambacher exposed NE over 5 months at 2300 m; they observe low-E protons and discover nuclear disintegration from cosmic ray interaction (spallation)

1946 G. "Beppo" Occhialini (@ U. Bristol) goes skiing in the Pyrenees, takes some NE plates with him on the Pic du Midi!

1947 discovery of the pion in cosmic rays by C. Powell, G. Occhialini, C. Lattes in collaboration w. Kodak, Ilford



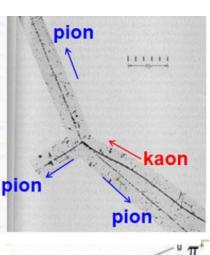
Cosmic ray station at Havelekar (2300m)

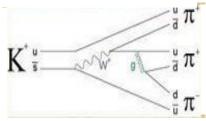


Pic du Midi (2900m)



C. Powell (1909 -1969) Nobel Prize 1950





 $\pi$ 

 $\mu$  had on all plates the same length!!!  $\pi$  and  $\mu$  decay into unseen partners!

1949 discovery of the  $3\pi$  decay of Kaons in cosmic rays by G. Rochester

...today NE used in personal dosimeters

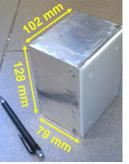


# Oscillation Project with Emulsion-tRacking Apparatus (OPERA) (2003-2018)

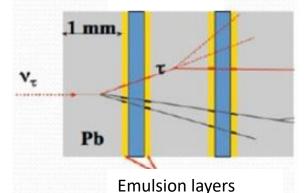
Emulsions still attractive when large mass & high resolution required (...also CHORUS (CERN 1994) & DONUT (FNAL 1997) used NE for  $v_{\tau}$  detection)



**OPERA at Gran Sasso Laboratory (LNGS)** 



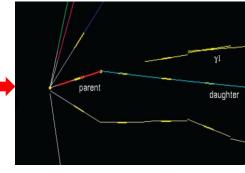
**One Brick** 



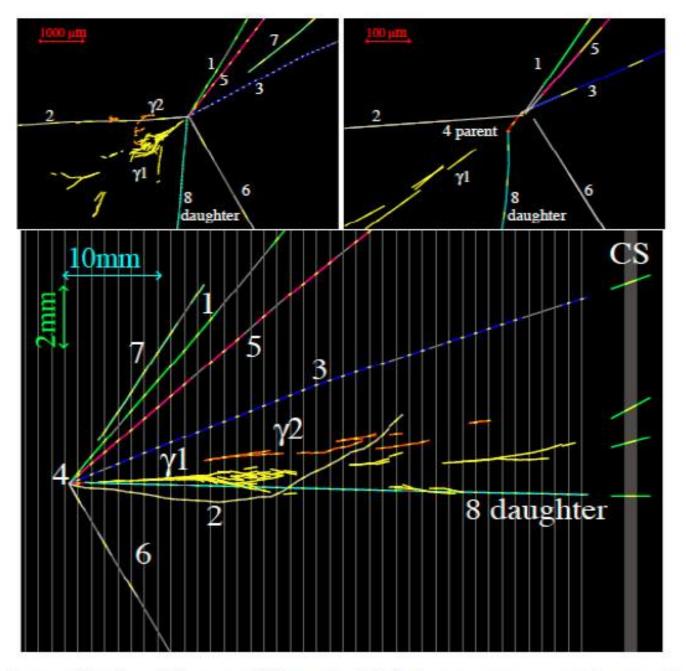
- Search for  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$  appearance oscillations in CERN  $\nu_{\mu}$ -beam
- Detection reaction:  $v_{\tau} + N \rightarrow X + \tau^{-}$
- Need to reconstruct  $\tau$  decays of few 100  $\mu$ m
- Resolution ~ 1  $\mu$ m
- 1.7 ktons Pb + emulsion sheets  $\rightarrow$  1.5 x 10<sup>5</sup> bricks
- Electronic tracker for vertex finding
- 1.2 x 10<sup>5</sup> m<sup>2</sup> to be scanned @ ~ 70 cm<sup>2</sup>/h/scanner



Automatic microscopes (~ 34)

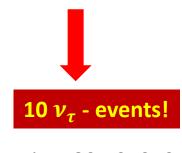


 $v_{\tau}$  - event



Opera's First Tau Neutrino Event -July 2010 arXiv:1006.1623v1

- Beam stop: 2012
- Data analysis:  $\rightarrow$  2018



arXiv: 1804.04912

Figure 1: Display of the  $\tau^-$  candidate event. Top left: view transverse to the neutrino direction. Top right: same view zoomed on the vertices. Bottom: longitudinal view.

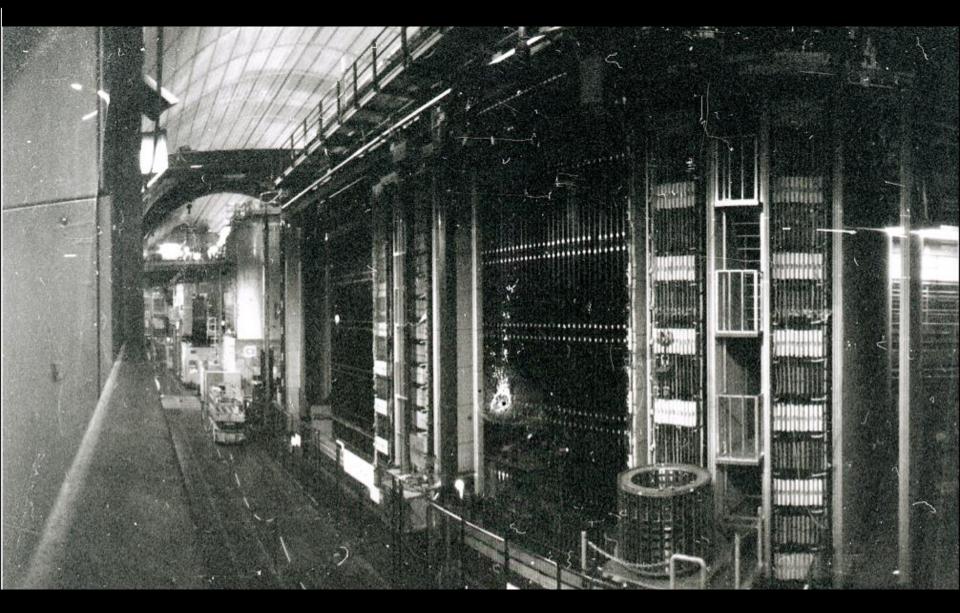
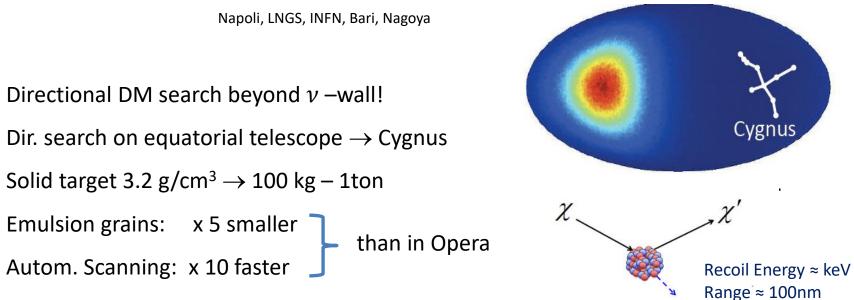
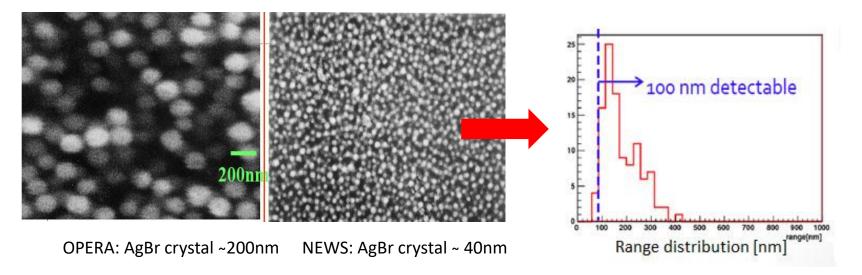


Image of the OPERA experiment located in the C hall of the Gran Sasso underground laboratories. The image was exposed on a nuclear emulsion slide inserted into a home-made photographic camera. Photo credits: D. Di Ferdinando (INFN – Bologna).

### Nuclear Emulsion Wimp Search (NEWSdm)



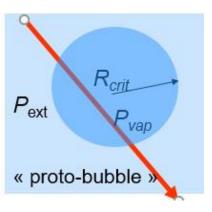


N. Tatsuhiro, Cosmic Frontier WS, SLAC March 2013

#### Pilot run 2019 (LNGS)



First track 1952! Ether filling



# **The Bubble Chamber**

- 1950's D. Glaser works at Caltech with Cloud Chambers
- finds their performance insufficient for accelerator applications
- ...and invents the Bubble Chamber in analogy with CC

Superheated liquid

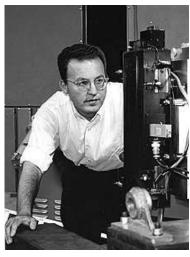
#### Bubbles forms if:

Supersaturated vapor

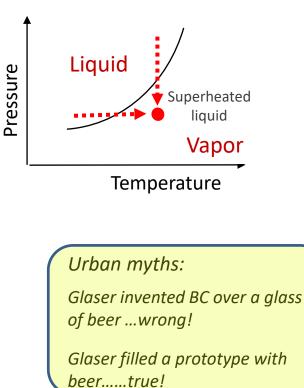
- particle creates heat spikes on its track
- with enough energy E<sub>min</sub>
- $\bullet$  deposited within  $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{min}}$
- bubble growth: ~ 10  $\mu m$  / msec

few nm
$$E_{dep} = \frac{dE}{dx} \cdot R_{min} \ge E_{min}$$
few eV

#### Particle track: trail of small vapour bubbles

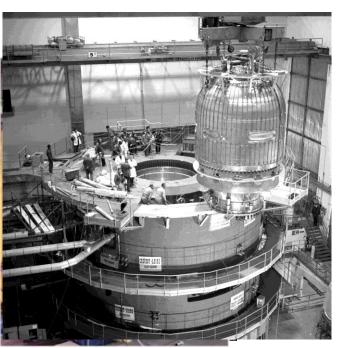


D. Glaser (1926 – 2013) Nobel Prize 1960



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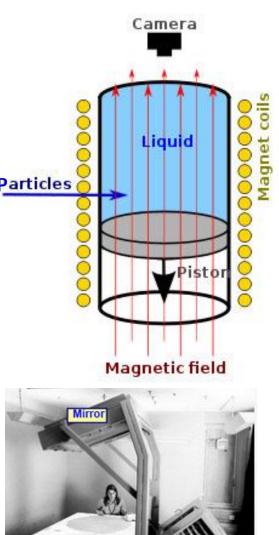
- Filled with a transparent liquid ( $H_2 @ 30K$ , Freon....)
- Rapid expansion synchronized with beam spills
- Bubble density x 10<sup>3</sup> of cloud chamber  $\rightarrow$  info on v/c Particles
- Active target with  $4\pi$  acceptance &  $\mu m$  resolution
- B-field to measure momentum
- Event pictures taken with cameras on film



BEBC @CERN 3.7m LH<sub>2</sub> largest BC 1973 -1984

# The size of the chambers grew quickly!

1954	6 cm
1955	10 cm
1956	25 cm
1957	180 cm
1963	203 cm
1973	370 cm



Millions of photographs to be scanned

Scanning table (1972)

Films (multiple views) and projection system

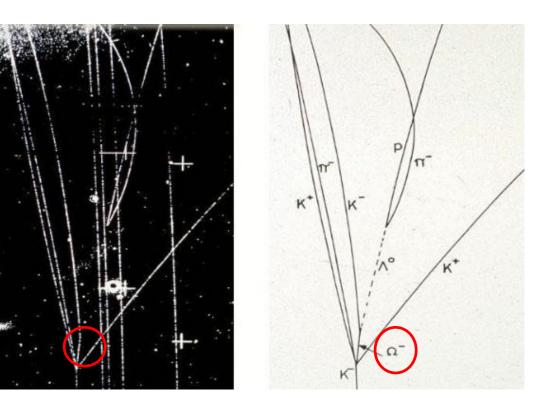
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### **Bubble Chamber - Discoveries**



80 ft LH<sub>2</sub> - BC at BNL (1963) 0.03 sec cycle

Discovery of the  $\Omega$  (1963) predicted by Gell-Mann 1961  $\rightarrow$  mass, charge, strangeness  $\rightarrow$  quark model SU(3) confirmed



+ many other discoveries & observations

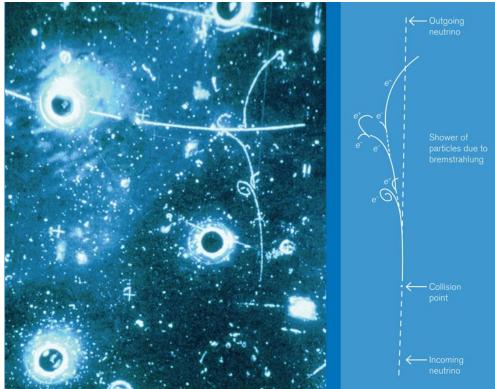
- ....Baryon resonances
- ....Charmed particles
- ....Multi-hadron production
- ....Deep inelastic neutrino scattering

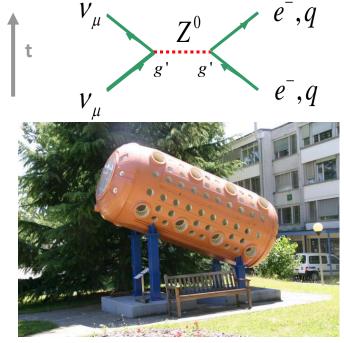
### **Bubble Chamber - Discoveries**

- Gargamelle was a heavy liquid BC operated at the CERN PS/SPS neutrino beams from 1970 -1979
- The BC was 4.8 m long and 2m Ø. It was filled with 12 m<sup>3</sup>
   CBrF3 (freon) at 20 bar in a 2 T B- field
- In 1973 Gargamelle discovers leptonic and hadronic neutral current interactions as predicted by Glashow, Weinberg, Salam (1960, NP 1979)

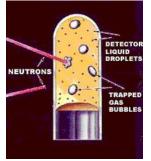


Giantess Gargamelle is the mother of Gargantua

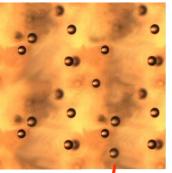




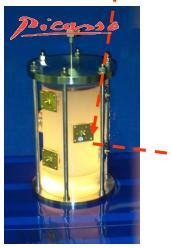
Gargamelle at CERN today



Personal n- dosimeter BTI Chalk River (O)



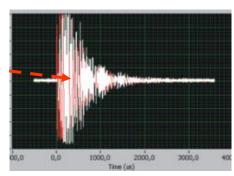
150  $\mu$ m droplets (C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub>)



32 detectors (3.2 kg  $C_4F_{10}$  kg) @ SNOLAB

### **Bubble Chambers for Dark Matter Searches**

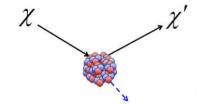
- In 2004 pioneered for DM search by PICASSO at SNOLAB
- 150  $\mu$ m droplets of C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub> dispersed in polymerized gel
- Each droplet is a bubble chamber! One bubble/WIMP!
- Bubbles recorded by piezo-electric transducers
- Operation at moderate superheat renders fluid sensitive to keV nuclear recoils only!
- Insensitive to γ background & Mips
  - lpha events are louder than nuclear recoils!
- Calibrated down to 1 keV!



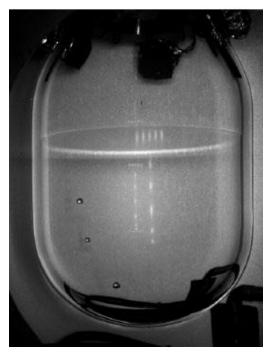
Acoustic piezo signal

More active mass in bulk BC!

Improved sensitivity!

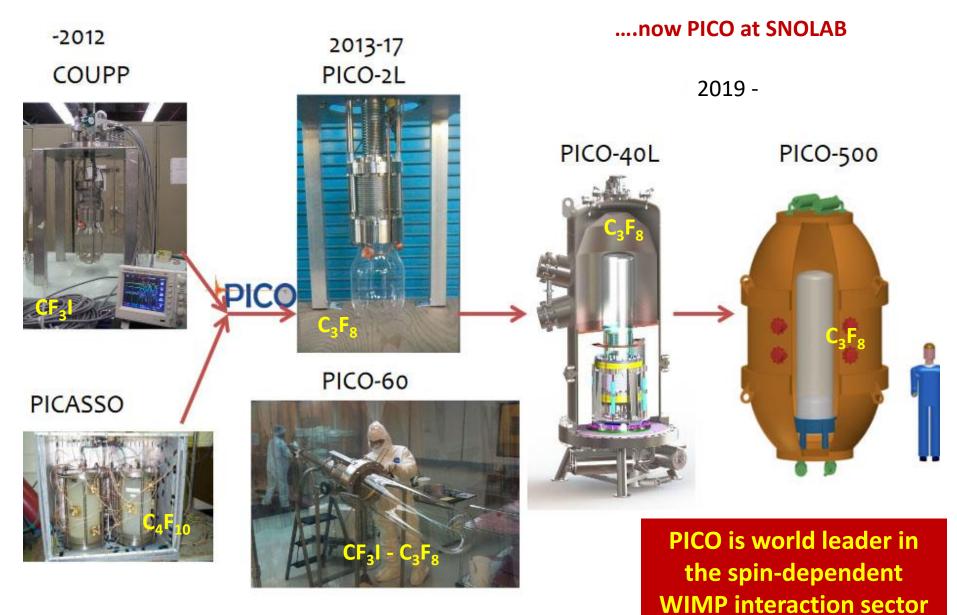


Recoil Energy ≈ 10 keV Range ≈ 100nm



 $\rm PICO~2.5~L~C_3F_8$ 

### **Bubble Chambers for Dark Matter Searches**







### Filled with 40L C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>8</sub> on June 30, 2016

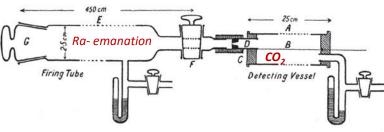
# **Gas Detectors**

- Geiger Müller Counter
- Multiwire Proportional Counters (MWPC)
- Drift Chambers
- Micropattern Gaseous Detectors (MPGD)

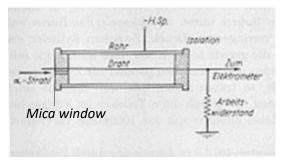




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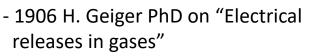


Rutherford/Geiger 1908

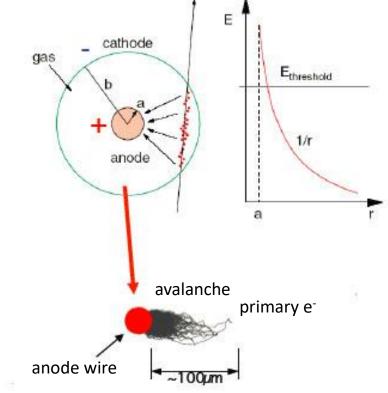


Geiger- Müller counter 1928

- Sealed tube filled with He, Ne, Ar (0.1b)
- Particles ionize gas, electrons drift to wire in increasing E- field
- Anode central wire 20 50 μm Ø at several 100 V
- Above 10 kV/cm → avalanche ionization
- Charge measured by electroscope



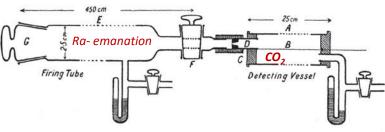
- 1908 Geiger (RA of Rutherford)
   develops a device to measure α- particles
- 1928 G. with PhD student W. Müller develops sealed tubes able to detect  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma's$



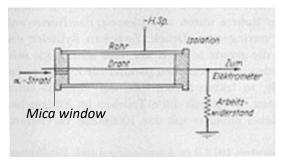


1882-1975 1905-1979

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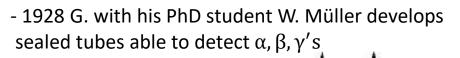
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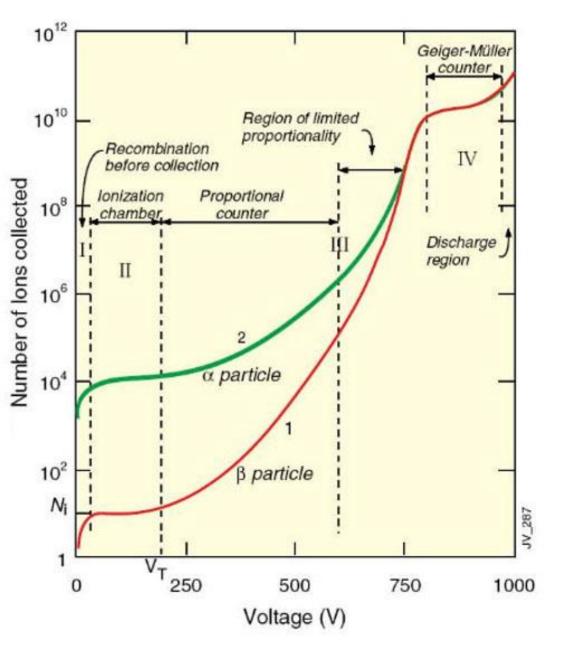
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### Wire Chambers – Regimes of Operation



#### (I) No charge collection

Ion recombination occurs before collection

#### (II) Ionization Mode

Ionization charge collected no multiplication, gain =1

#### (III) Proportional Mode

Gas multiplication, charge on wire  $\propto$  original ionization, gain  $\sim 10^4$ 

#### (III) Limited Proportional Mode

Also called "streamer mode", strong photoemission; secondary avalanches, gain  $\sim 10^{10}$ 

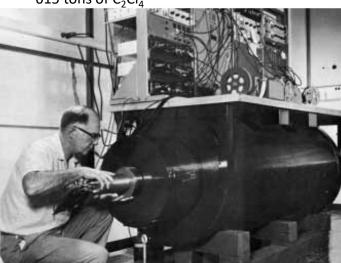
#### (IV) Geiger Mode

Photoemission & discharge Stopped by HV breakdown

### **Proportional Counters - Discoveries**



615 tons of  $C_2Cl_4$ 



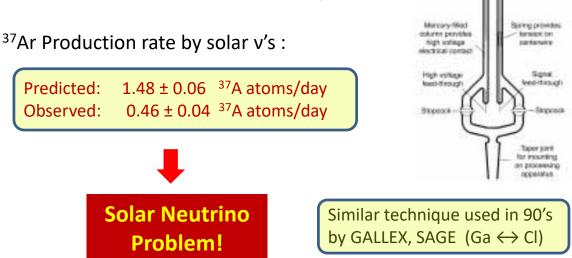
Pre-bomb battleship gun barrels for counter shielding

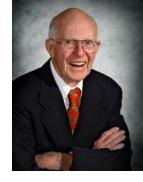
- 1965 R. Davis installs a tank filled with 615 tons of  $C_2Cl_4$  in the Homestake Gold Mine at a depth of 1487 m to detect solar neutrinos

$$v_e + {}^{37}Cl \to {}^{37}Ar + e^- \quad E_{th} = 0.8 \, MeV$$

- Tank is bubbled with He-gas after few weeks to extract tens of <sup>37</sup>Ar atoms within several cm<sup>3</sup> of He
- Gas is filled into a tiny 0.3 cm<sup>3</sup> proportional chamber to count 2.8 keV Auger electrons from Electron Capture

$$^{37}Ar + e^- \rightarrow ^{37}Cl + \nu_e \qquad T_{1/2} = 35 d$$



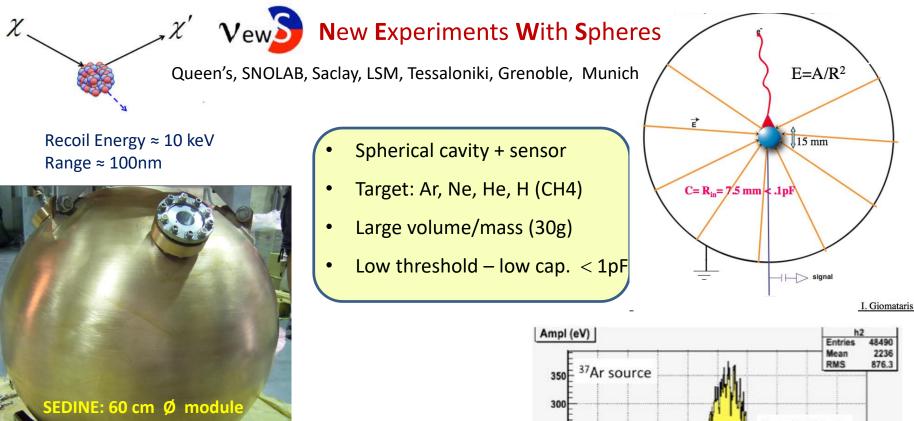


R. Davis (1914-2006) Nobel Prize 2002

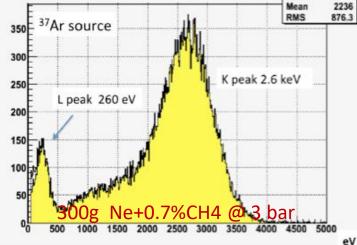
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### **Proportional Counters – Recent Developments**



- $E_{thr}$  = 120 eV demonstrated in Ne @3b
- Localisation by rise time
- 2 LEP cavities with 130 cm  $\varnothing$  tested



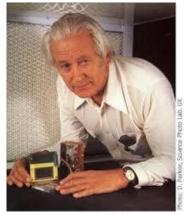
#### NEWS-G : 1.4 m $\varnothing$ sphere to be installed at SNOLAB

## **Multiwire Proportional Chambers (MWPC)**

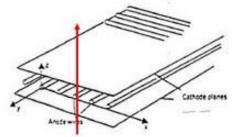


G. Charpak, F. Sauli, J.C. Santiard

- GM tube ok for single tracks w. limited precision
- MWPC was invented at CERN 1968 by G. Charpak
- In a MWPC an array of many closely spaced anode wires in the same chamber act as independent proportional counters

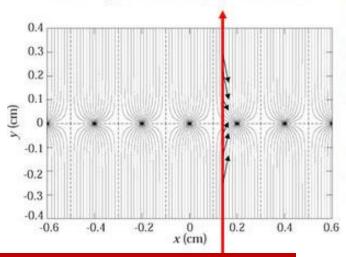


G. Charpak (1924-2010) Nobel prize 1992



- Wire distance typically ~ 2 5 mm distance between cathode planes ~ 10 mm
- Accuracy is a fct of wire distance  $d = \sigma_x = d/\sqrt{12} \sim 300 \mu m$  for d = 1mm
- 1 MHz/wire rate capability (BC 10Hz!)

Abbildung 2.27: Vieldrahtproportionalkammer.

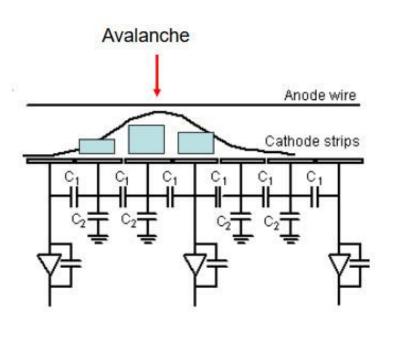


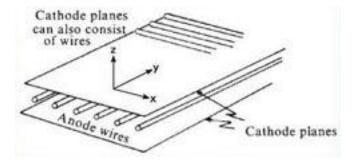
A revolution! From now on large area/volume tracking & imaging possible!

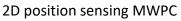
## **Multiwire Proportional Chambers (MWPC)**

#### How to read the second coordinate?

- Charge division on resistive wire read out on both ends
- Comparison of arrival times at both ends
- Cathode plane segmented into strips







- Movement of charges induces signals on wire and cathode
- Width (1σ) of charge distribution ≈ distance between wire and cathode
- Center of gravity defines particle trajectory
- 50 μm resolution possible



Now digital radiography possible with 10 times less dose!

### **Drift Chambers**

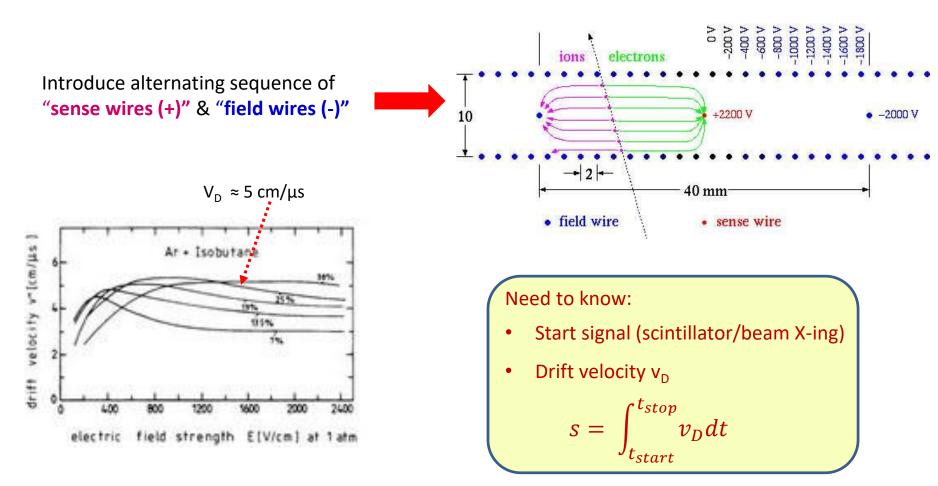
#### **One problem with MWPC:**

Spatial resolution is limited by wire spacing

#### **Solution**:

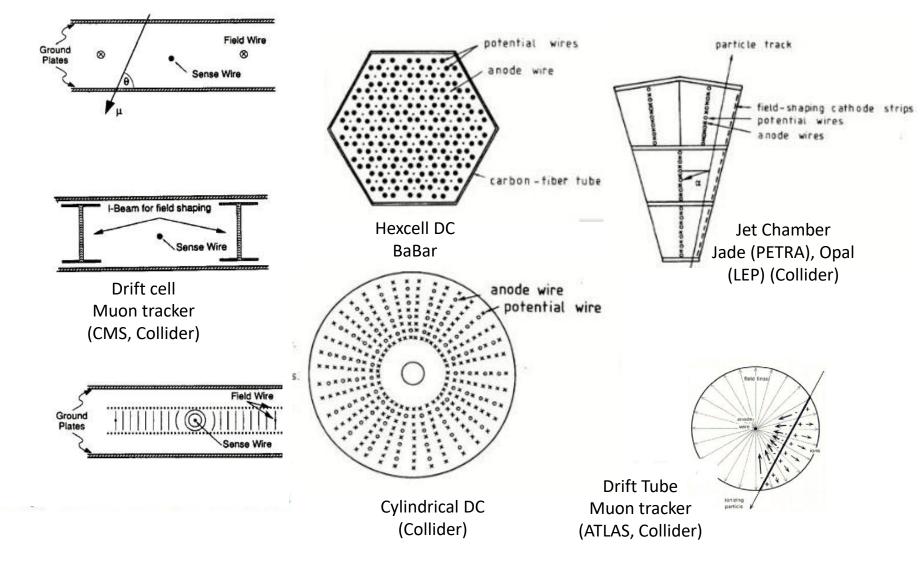
Obtain position from drift time of primary ionization to anode wire

1971 Drift Chamber invented by A. Walenta, J. Heintze, D. Schürlein (Heidelberg)

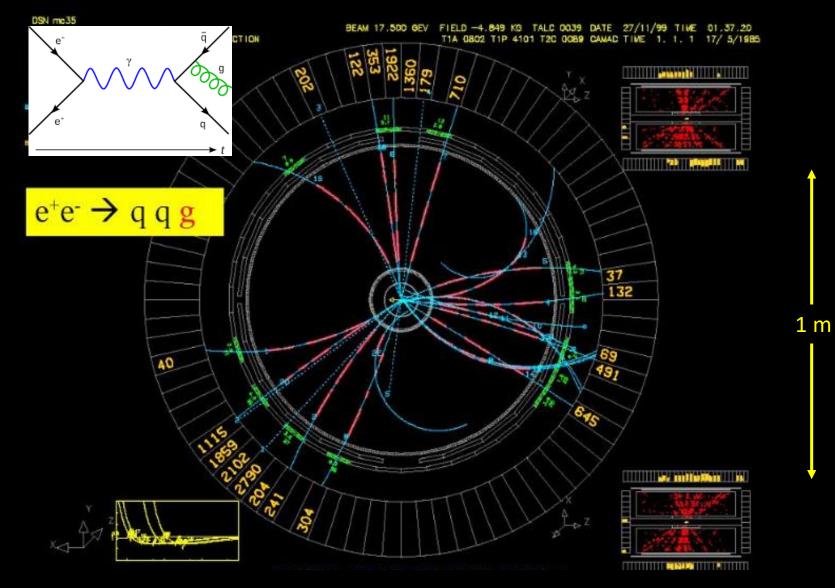


#### **Drift Chambers - Geometries**

#### Electric Field ~1kV/cm

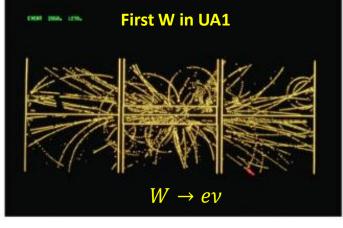


#### **Drift Chambers – Discoveries (1979)**



JADE @PETRA (Jet chamber) 3 –Jet event → Discovery of gluon

### **Drift Chambers – Discoveries**



1983: discovery of the W and Z bosons by the UA1 and UA2 detectors at CERN  $-Sp\bar{p}S$ 

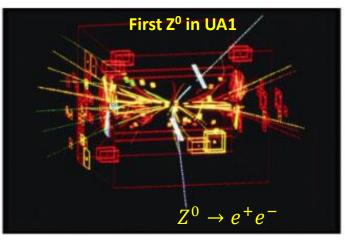
UA1 DC - 5.8 m long & 2.3 m  $\emptyset$  (Ar/C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>)

170,00 field wires - 6125 sense wires!

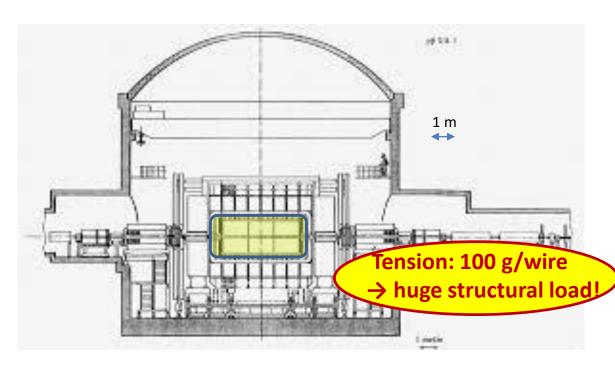
B- field 0.7 Tesla



S. Van der Meer, C. Rubbia Nobel Prize 1984



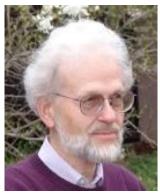
UA1 was the largest imaging drift chamber of its day!



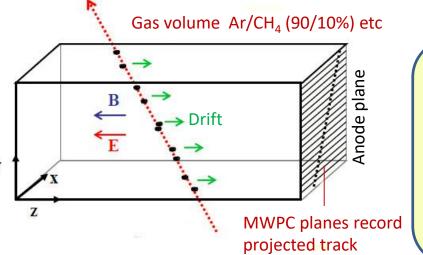
### **Time Projection Chambers (TPC)**

 - 1974 invented by D. Nygren (Berkeley) for large volume 3D - imaging in the of PEP-4 detector at the e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collider PEP (SLAC)

"....one of those marvelous stories of frustration turned into opportunity" (D.N.)



David Nygren



- Gas volume with parallel E and B Field. B for momentum measurement, E for drift
  - Drift || to E || to B reduces Lorentz force
  - Diffusion is reduced by E || B and by Ramsauer effect (up to a factor 100)
  - Drift Fields 100-400V/cm. Drift times 10-100µs.
     Distance up to > 2.5m !

Some past & future gas TPC's:

- ALEPH, DELPHI LEP/CERN
- STAR RHICH/BNL
- ALICE LHC pp, Pb-Pb collider
- ILD ILC future pp collider

From now on VERY LARGE tracking and 3-d imaging devices possible!

### ALICE – A Large Ion Collider Experiment (LHC)

Study of quark – gluon plasma (2010 - )

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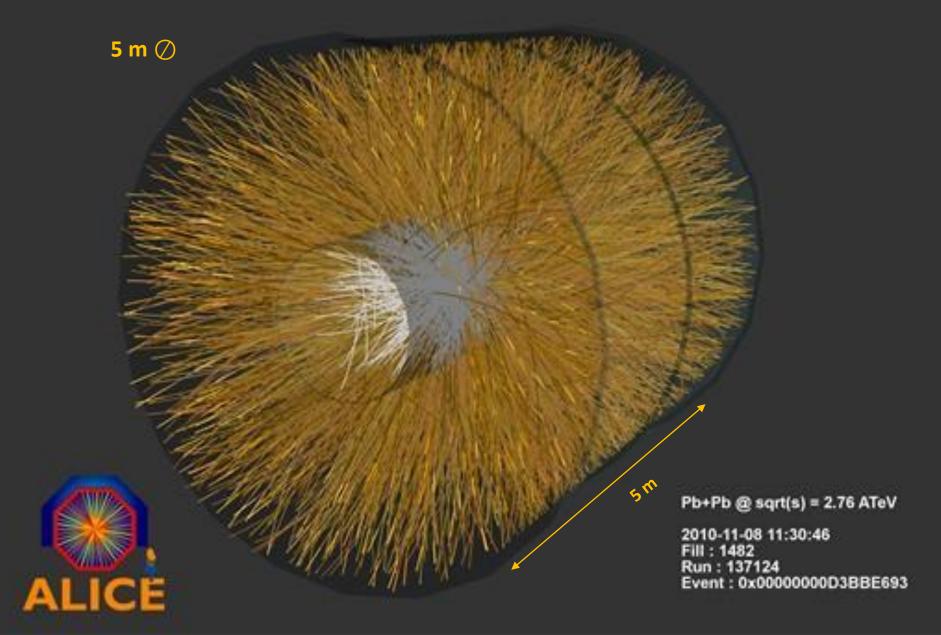
- Ne/CO<sub>2</sub> 90/10 %
- HV-central plane 100 kV
- B-field 0.5T
- 72 MWPC's
- 500 k read out channels
- Resolution 500 μm
- 50 kHz Pb Pb collisions

MW

Largest TPC ever built!

510 cm

### An event at ALICE (LHC)....largest TPC ever built

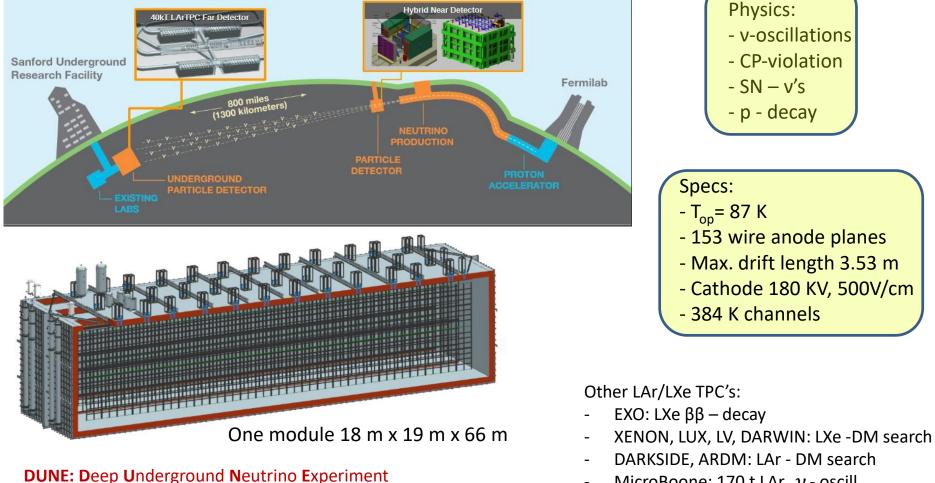


### **DUNE – A Giant Liquid Argon TPC**

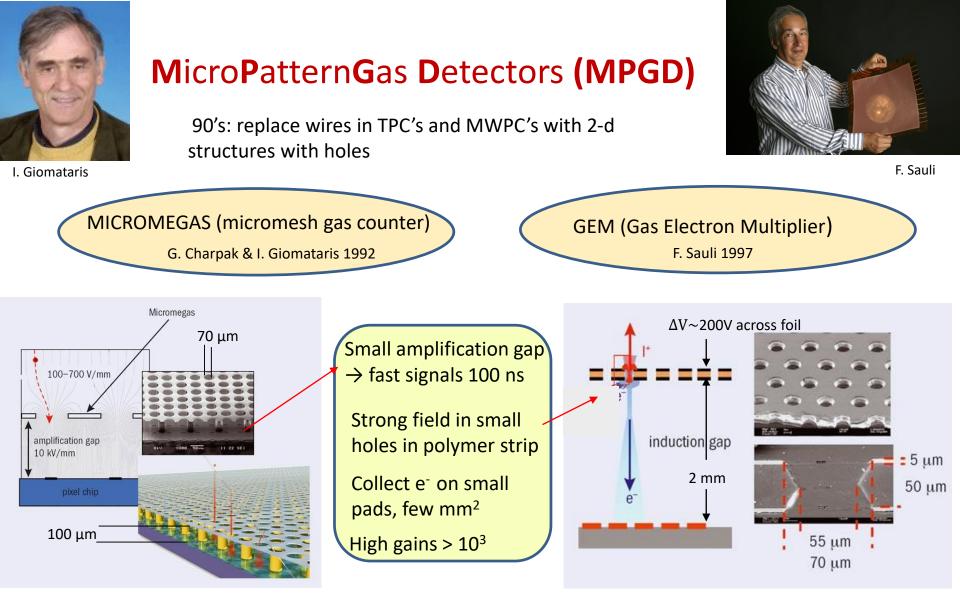
1968 L. Alvarez suggests liquid noble gas detectors

Noble Liquids & Axel Halin's talk 1977 idea pursued by C. Rubbia  $\rightarrow$  LAr TPC for  $\nu$  – detection !  $\rightarrow$  ICARUS 760 t @ Gran Sasso

2026: DUNE - a 4 x 10 kton Liquid Argon TPC and ramping up now



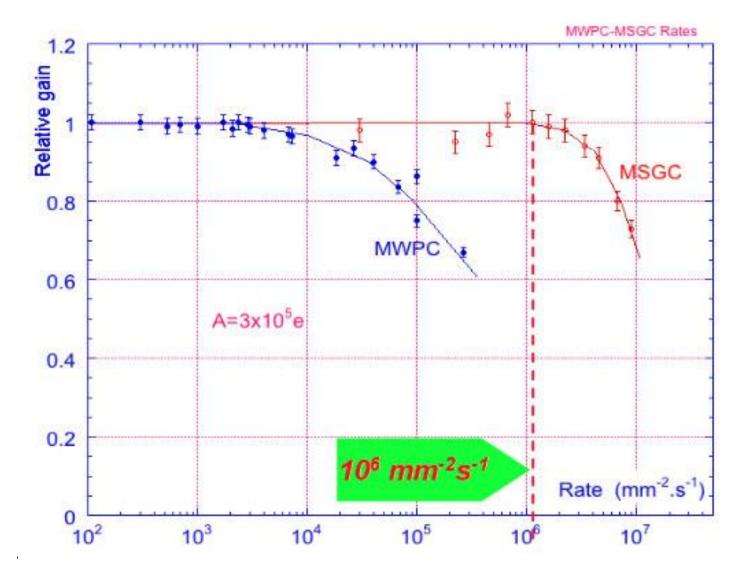
MicroBoone: 170 t LAr  $\nu$  - oscill.



Using large Area Lithography Techniques like for PCBs feature sizes of ~ 10  $\mu m$  possible with high precision!

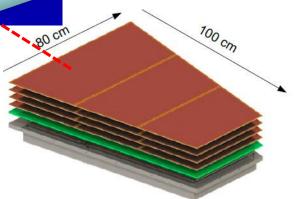
"MPGD's will revolutionize nuclear and particle physics like the MWPC" (G. Charpak in 1992)

#### **MicroPatternGas Detectors (MPGD)**



...high rate compatibility...not sensitive to B-field...slow ageing...industial production....

#### **MPGD's Recent Developments**



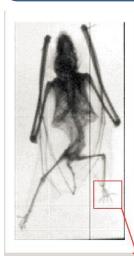
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#### μΩ:

- ATLAS Upgrade for 2021
- End Cap µ- spectrometer
- 2 New Small Wheels (NSW)
- Large area  $\mu\Omega$  (2 x 1200 m<sup>2</sup>)
- 2.4 M channels

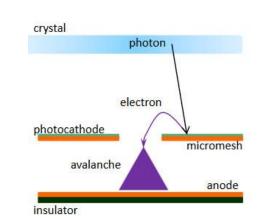
#### GEM:

- ALICE TPC upgrade for 2021
- Replace MWPC with 4-layer GEM
- X 100 gain in read-out rate (50kHz)



#### GEM:

Radiography of a bat
 <sup>55</sup>Fe source 5.9 keV
 Using double GEM

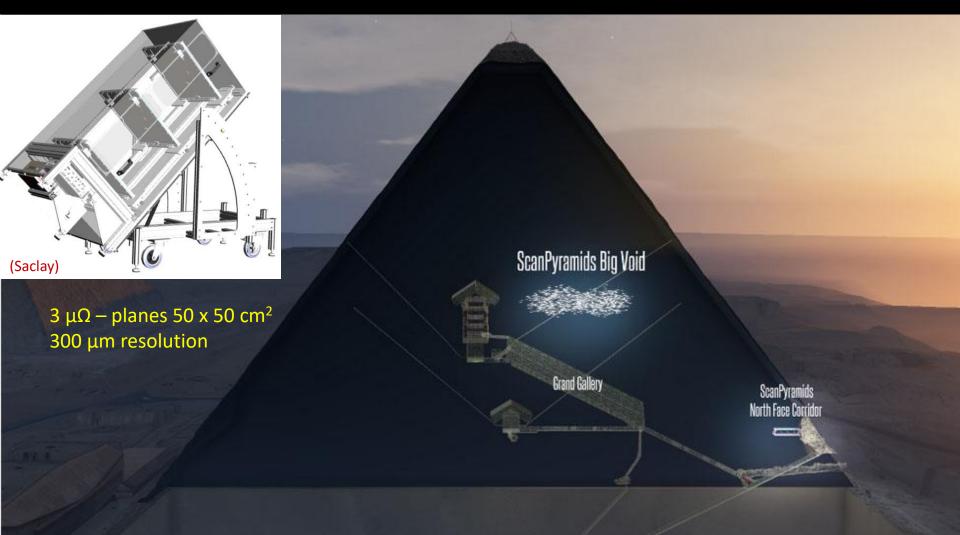


#### μΩ:

- Large area UV photon detector
- Photoconverter on  $\mu$  mesh
- High gain ~  $10^5$
- Forest fire spark detection (FOREFIRE)

Also: COMPASS, CAST, T2K, ILC -TPC, ....

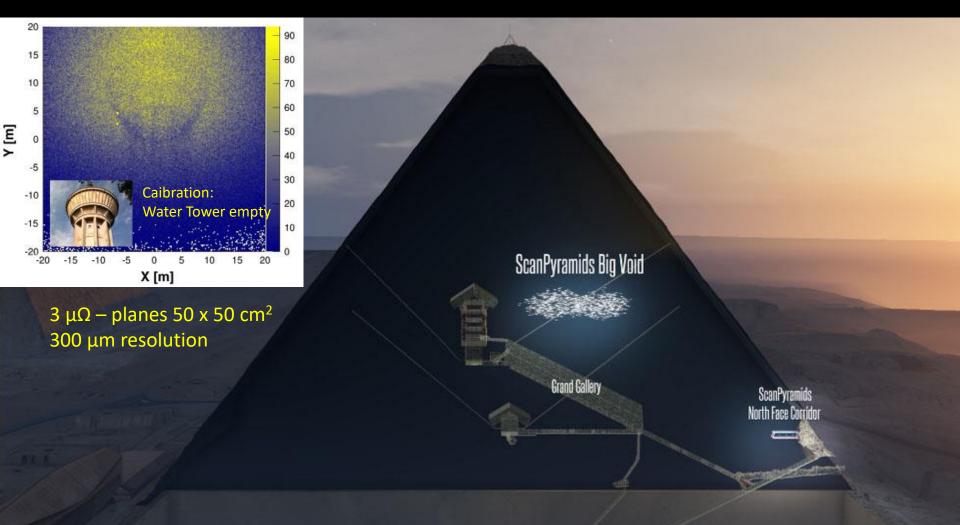
#### **MPGD's in Archeology**



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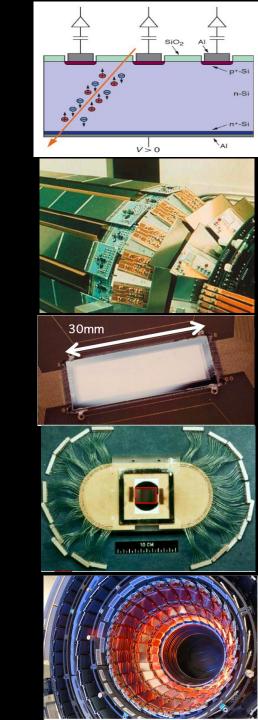


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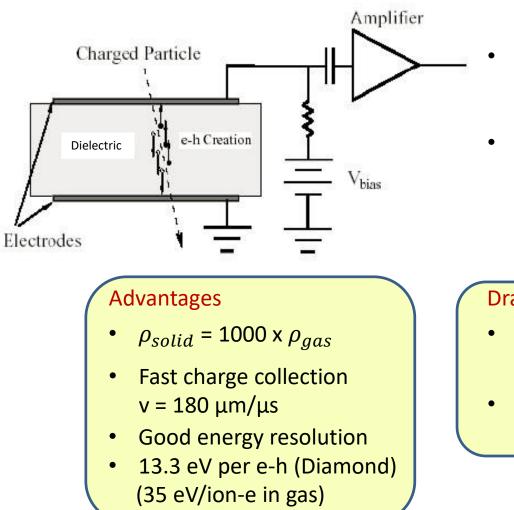
- Silicon detectors
- Si-strip and pixel detectors
- Hybrid detecors
- Large scale applications



....details  $\rightarrow$  Nigel Hessey's talk

### **Solid State Detectors**

1945 van Heerden operates the first crystal counter (AgBr)



- Sensitive dielectric between metallic electrodes
- Charged particles create e/hole pairs

   → a solid state ionization chamber!
   (Diamond, AgCl, TlBr...)

#### Drawbacks

- Large scale, high purity crystal growth challenging
- Electrical properties dominated by impurities

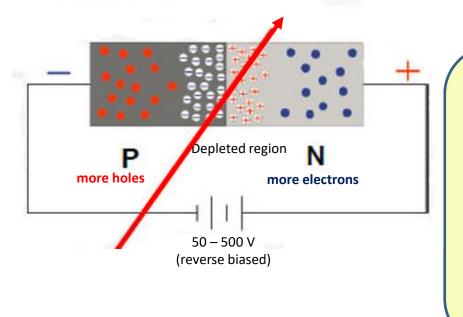
Today diamond counters considered for ILC/FCC → radiation hard !

### Solid State (Si) Detectors

1947 the Silicon revolution started with the invention of the transistor by J. Bardeen, W. Brittain and W. Stockley

- ...but Silicon is a semiconductor (3.6 eV/e-h) → high leakage current @ 300K
- 1947 McKay and McAfee: operate Si-detector as a diode, where p-type and n-type doped Si are put in contact





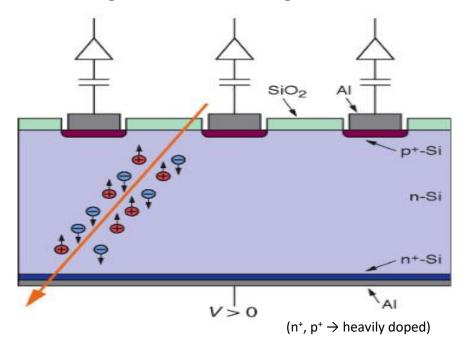
- Around p-n junction a depletion zone forms
- Zone free of charge carriers
- Thickness depends on voltage and doping
- Particle creates new e/h pairs sufficient to create signal

J. Bardeen, W. Stockley, W. Brittain Nobel Prize 1956

~ 25 k e/h pairs
 collected in 50 ns
 in 300 μm of Si

### **Silicon – Strip Detectors**

Late 70's R&D driven by physics needs: search for new short- lived particles with  $c\tau \approx 100 \ \mu m$  & tracking near interaction region at accelerators



- Si crystal 3 x 3 cm<sup>2</sup> 300  $\mu$ m thick
- Subdivide top p-type layer into many strips
- Many diodes next to each other
- Position info like in MWPC
- Pitch  $\approx$  20 µm possible

1979 J. Kemmer (TU- Munich) transfers the highly developed planar process Si-technology for electronics to HEP detector fabrication

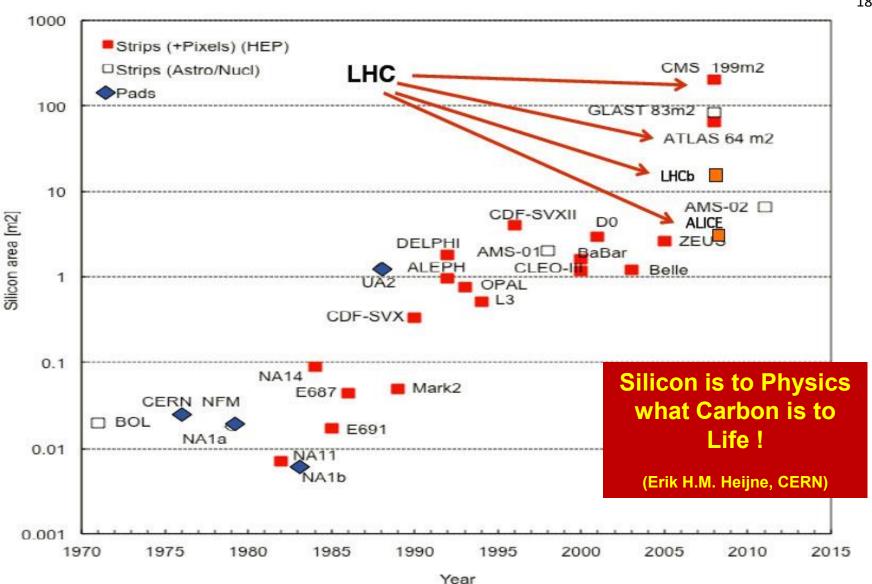
From now on large scale application of high resolution Sidetectors in practical every HEP experiment and also in X-ray astronomy and medical applications



Josef Kemmer 1938-2007 Founder of KETEC (TU Munich)

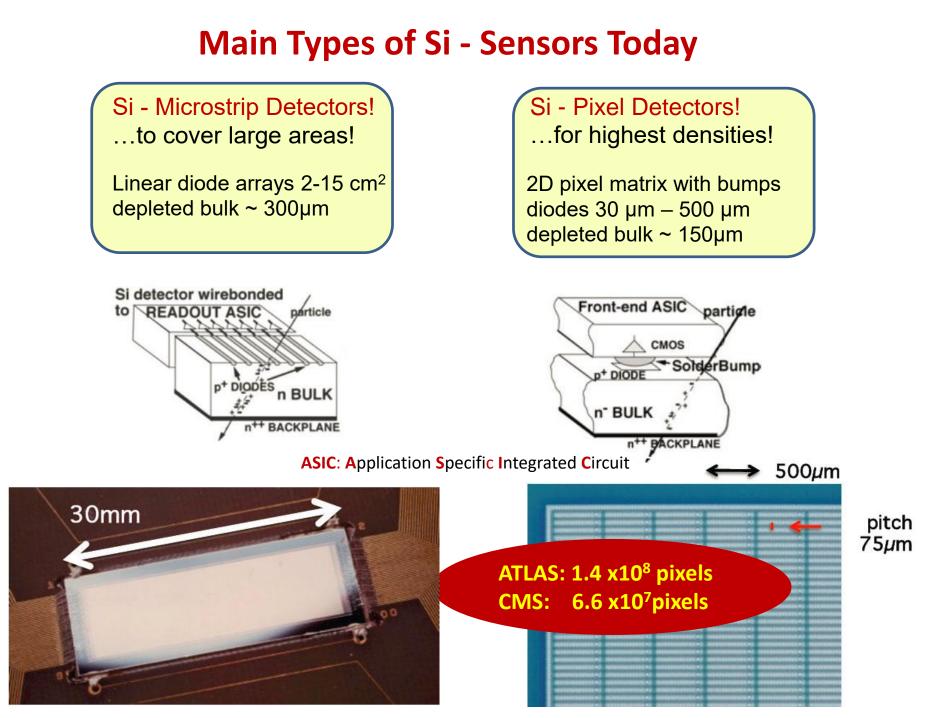
J. Kemmer, NIM 169 (1980)499 (seminal single author paper!)

#### Si – Detectors: Increase of Si Area in HEP

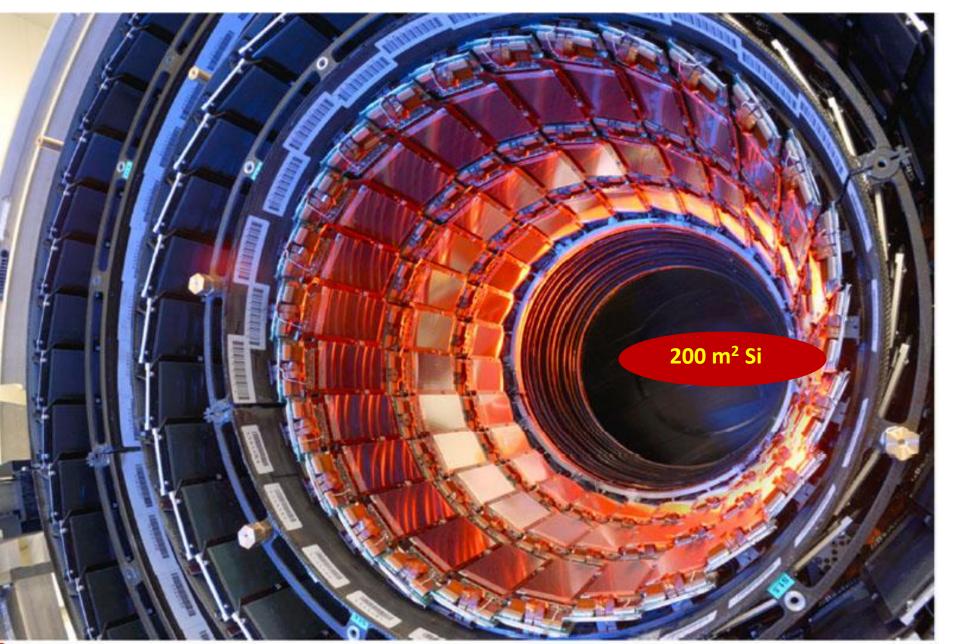


Erik HEIJNE IEAP-CTU & CERN EP Department! Erice School 15 June 2018

ILD @ ILC 1800 m<sup>2</sup>

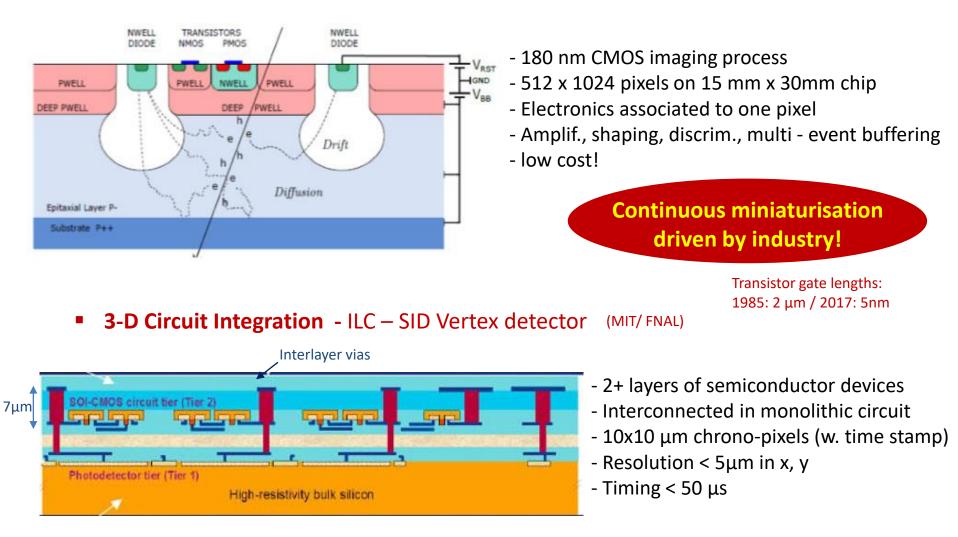


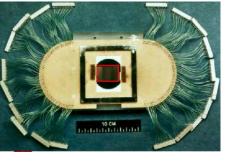
### **CMS-Tracker** - during installation 2007



#### **Recent Developments – MAPS & 3D Devices**

#### Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor MAPS – ALICE Inner Tracker (2020)

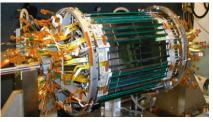




Ratio detector surface to nearby electronics surface 1:300 !



DELPHI: 1.5 m<sup>2</sup> Sensor surface I = 1m,  $\bigcirc = 20$  cm; 3 layers



CDF vertex detector SVX II 3 layers, 720 detectors



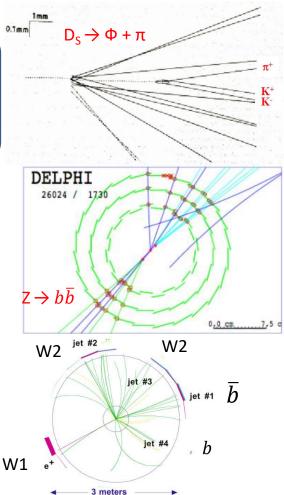
CMS Si- tracker

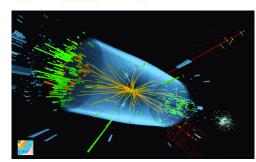
### Si - Detectors – Some Discoveries

 1983 first operational Si-strip telescope NA11 at CERN

8 planes, 24 cm<sup>2</sup>, 20  $\mu$ m pitch, 4.5  $\mu$ m res.  $\pi \rightarrow Be \rightarrow X + Charm (D^+, D^0, D_{s}...)$ 

- In 90's all 4 LEP experiments installed Si-vertex detectors Goal: lifetime and ID of c-, b- quarks,  $\tau$ Search for  $H \rightarrow b\overline{b}$  ....but not found!
- '92 CDF 1<sup>st</sup> Si detector at had. collider Tevatron  $p\bar{p}$  collision every 3.5 µs Discovery of t - quark  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+b, W^-\bar{b}$ 1 lepton, 4 jets, 2 tagged b +ME
- 2012 CMS/ATLAS report discovery of Higgs (M = 125 GeV), results driven by  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, ZZ, W^+, \tau\bar{\tau}, \ b\bar{b}$  (2018) All 4 LHC detectors operate Si-trackers





### **Scintillators**

- Inorganic crystals
- Liquid & plastic scintillators
- Search for the ideal scintillator







....details  $\rightarrow$  Graig Woodey's talk

### **Scintillators**

#### Use of scintillation to detect radiation is now more than a century old!

Early Phase (1903- 1944):

- CaWO<sub>4</sub> used by W. Roentgen

- 1903 J. Elstner, H. Geitel employ ZnS in sphintariscope → Crookes & Rutherford
- 1944 S. Curran & W. Baker coat ZnS on PMT photocathode

2<sup>nd</sup> Phase (1948 - 80's):

1948 H. Kallmann, L. Herford discover liquid scintillator (naphthaline)
1948 Nal(Tl) found by R. Hofstadter et al.
Patented in 1950 by J. Harshaw (HCC)

- Patented in 1950 by J. Harshaw (HCC)
- 1979 Crystal ball /SLAC 2m Ø Nal sphere
- CsI, BGO, rare earth doped scintill.

3<sup>rd</sup> Phase (80's- today):

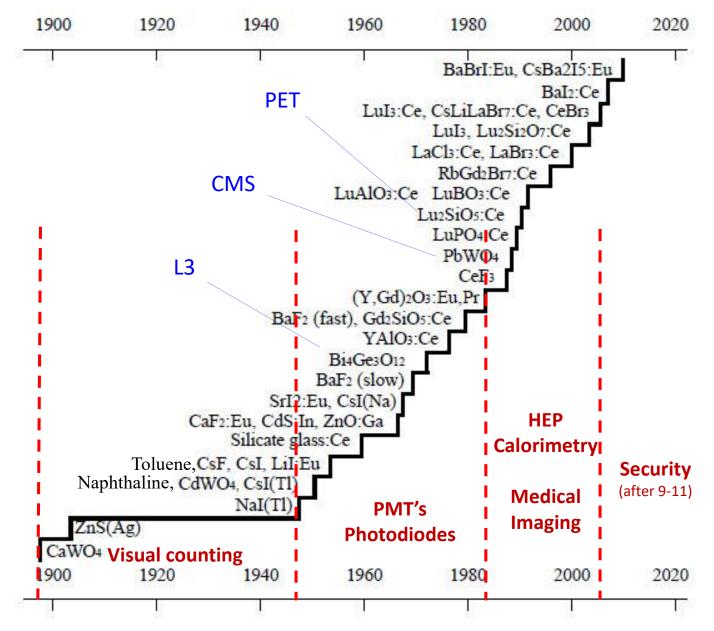
- Renaissance driven by medical imaging (PET, SPECT), HEP-calor. BGO, PWO<sub>4</sub> etc.
  - $LaBr_3$ ,  $LaCl_3$  etc  $\rightarrow$  light yields close to theoretical limit!
- Large scale applications of LAr/LXe



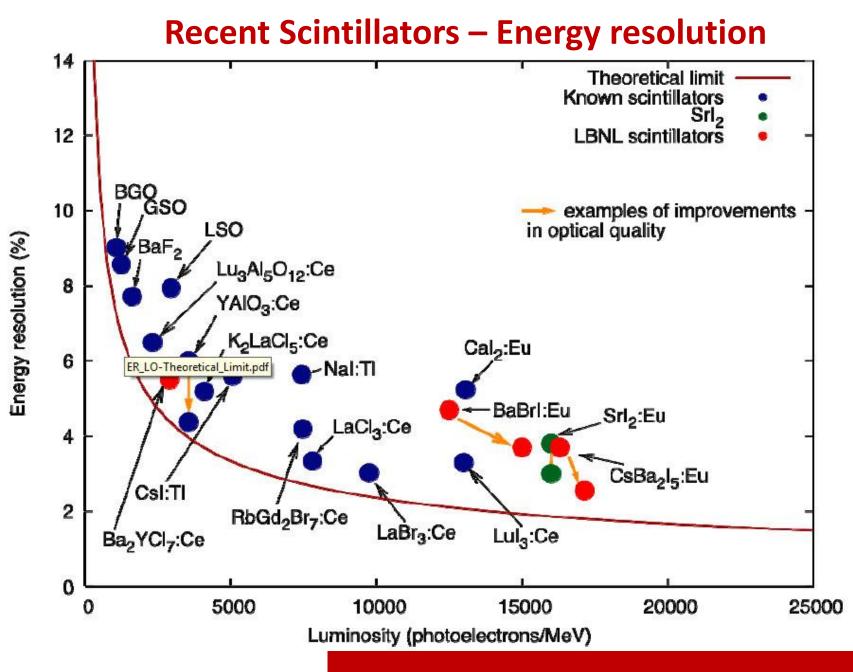
LAr

**DEAP3600** 

#### **Scintillator History**



From ISMA, SCINT 2009 conference (update of S.E Derenzo et al.; NIM A505(2003)111



...mass production is the challenge for the future!

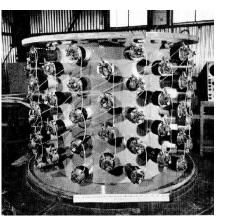
### **Discoveries with Scintillators**

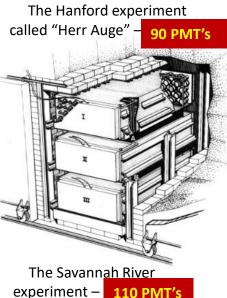
#### 1956: first observation of neutrinos by Clyde Cowan & Fred Reines

Plan A: use an atomic bomb – project "Poltergeist"

Plan B: go to a nuclear reactor (Hanford then Savannah River)

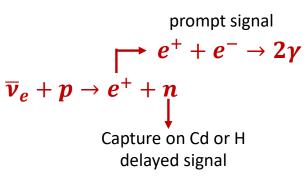






#### Inverse β- decay in CdCl<sub>3</sub> - water solution

- Liquid scintillator + PMT's
- Underground 11 m @ 12 m from core (SR)
- 10<sup>13</sup> v/scm<sup>2</sup>; 3 evts/h; 3 months exposure



Modern experiments are still quite similar:

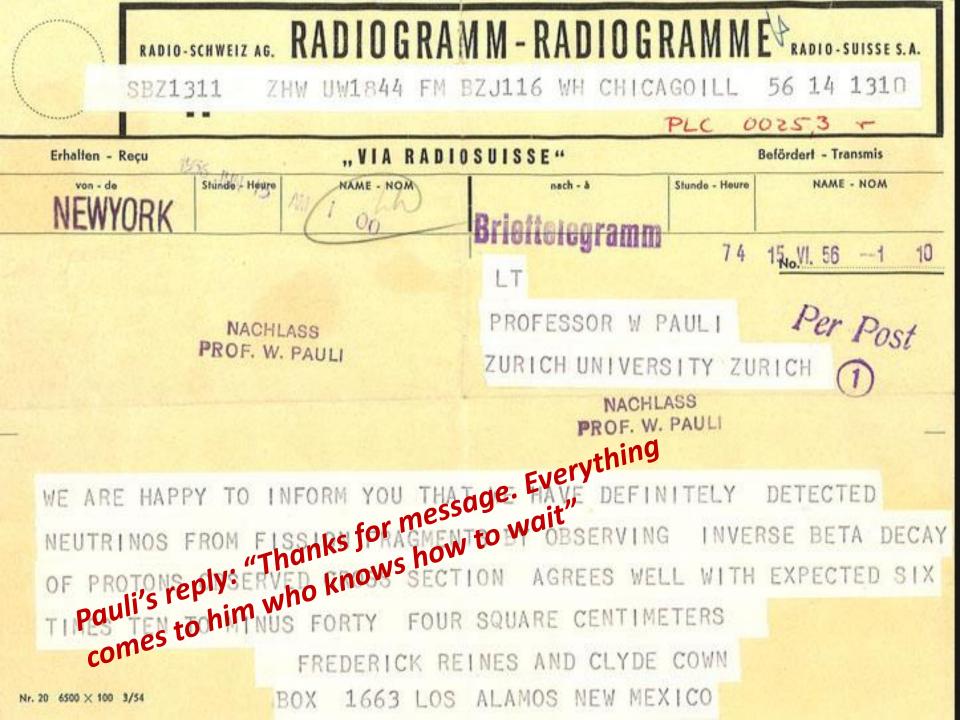
- Gd loading of scintillator
- Larger detectors
- Deeper underground, better shielding



Clyde Cowan 1919-1974



Frederick Reines 1918-1998 Nobel Prize 1995

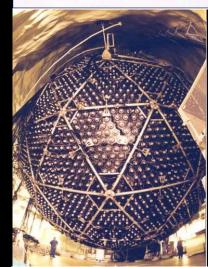


## **Photomultipliers**

- The Photomultiplier Tube
- Gas PMT's
- Silicon PMT's
- Hybrid detectors
- Future Large Scale Applications









### **The Photomultiplier Tube (PMT)**

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PMT's were predicated on:

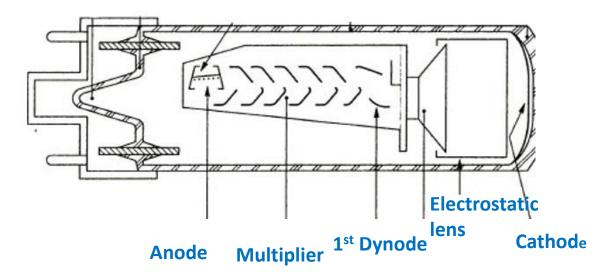
- discovery of photoelectric effect (H. Hertz, 1887)
- discovery of secondary e<sup>-</sup> emission (Villard, 1899)
- vacuum technology photo electric tubes
  - $\rightarrow$  beginnings of 'CRT television' (1925 T. Takayanagi)

...but who invented the PM?

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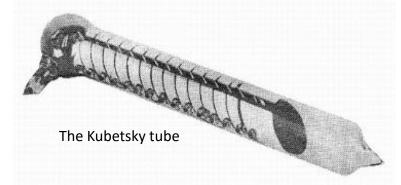
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### **The Photomultiplier Tube (PMT)**

...but who invented the PM?

#### ....that's a controversial issue !!!

- 1930 L. A. Kubetsky (24 y old!) presents in Leningrad a device to amplify photoelectron currents
- Uses a AgOCs photocathode, a system of dynodes with gain ~  $10^4$  and magnetic focusing
- 1934 V. Zworykin working at RCA/US visits Leningrad
- Kubetsky shows his tube and Zworykin is enthusiastic
- 1936 V. Zworykin. et al: (RCA) paper on PMT with multiple dynodes



...today however: "The PMT was invented by RCA laboratories"!

B. K. Lubsandorzkiev, cern.ch/record/923550/files/0601159.pdf



Leonid A. Kubetsky 1906 - 1959

### **Discovery of Solar** $\nu$ - oscillations



13 000 PMT's SuperKamiokande – 50 cm 🔿

(1956 Cowan & Reines 110 PMT's !)

1996 - 2008: SuperKamiokande

- 1000 m deep; 40 m high 20 m 🖉
- $\check{C}$  detector: 50 kt H<sub>2</sub>O
- Compare  $\nu$  e<sup>-</sup> rate to Standard Solar Model (SSM) prediction

$$NC + CC: \qquad v_e + e^- \rightarrow v_e + e^-$$

Data  $\frac{1}{SSM} = 0.47 \pm 0.015$ (+1998 oscill. of atmospheric  $v_{\mu}$ 's)

1999 – 2006: Sudbury Neutrino Observatory (SNO) - 2100 m deep in Creighton mine, Sudbury (ON)

- Č - detector: 1.0 kt of  $D_2O$  in 12m  $\oslash$  acrylic vessel

 $\Phi_{CC}^{SNO}$ 

- Compare neutral and charged current solar  $\nu$  - reactions

*CC*:  $v_e + d \to p + p + e^ 5 < E_v < 15 \, MeV$ NC:  $v_x + d \rightarrow n + p + v_x$ 

 $v_x = v_e, v_\mu, v_\tau$ 



T. Kajita & A. B. McDonald Nobel Prize 2015

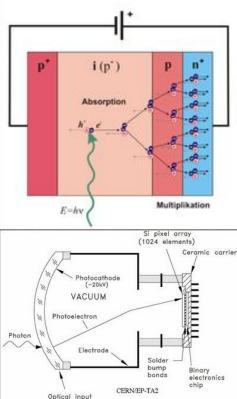


SNO 10 000 PMT's 20.4 cm 🖉

### **Photomultipliers – Recent Developments**

#### Since almost 90 years R&D is ongoing and driven by physics and applications





#### Vacuum based (classic PMT)

- QE ~ 25%; Gain ~ 106
- No spatial resolution
- Photocathodes up to 8000 cm<sup>2</sup>

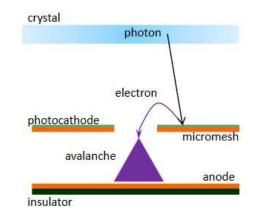
#### Gas based (MPGD)

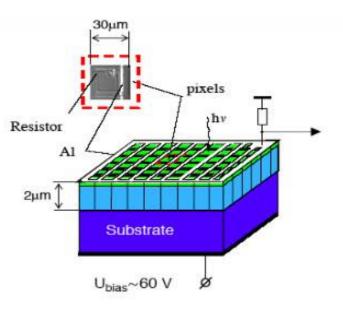
- Photocathodes or sensitive vapor
- E.g. Triethylamine (TEA) 7.5 eV
- Large area w. position resolution

#### Silicon based (SiPM)

- Are arrays of avalanche photo diodes
- Single photon sensitivity (SPAD)
- gain 10<sup>6</sup> in Geiger mode
- QE 40-60% & fast (sub-ns)
- Pixel 10 100 μm; 4 x 4 mm<sup>2</sup>

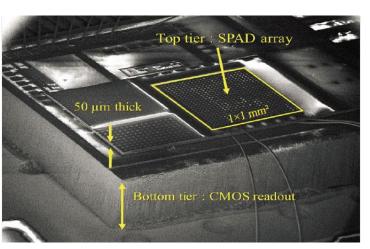
## Hybrids - mixture of above (HPD) Large area single photon detection QE~ 25%; photocath. up to 1000 cm<sup>2</sup> APD array in Geiger mode 0.1 – 1 cm<sup>2</sup> Gain ~ 10<sup>3</sup>; spat. resol. ~ 50 μm



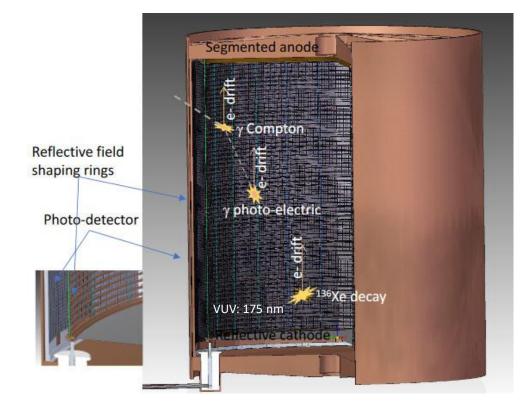


### SiPM's – R&D for Future Applications

- 2006: First large scale applications: CALICE H-CAL & T2K near (56K channels)
- nEXO Search for  $0\nu \beta\beta$  Decay
  - 5 ton LXe -TPC operated at -120<sup>o</sup> C - 4 - 5 m<sup>2</sup> covered by SiPM's
  - Single VUV photon sensitive
  - QE > 15% & low noise < 0.1 ph.e.
  - Very low radioactivity
- New concept: 3Ddigital SiPM
  - Photon to bit conversion with time tag
  - Connect each diode on photo det. chip to quenching electronics chip



3DdSiPm prototype from U. Sherbrook 22 x 22 SPAD array in CMOS process



#### Intense R&D in Canada

- U. Sherbrooke; electronics, assembly
- DALSA Bromont; photo detector
- TRIUMF, McGill, Carleton  $\rightarrow$  1.5M\$ CFI
- Aim 3DdSiPM 1x1 cm<sup>2</sup>
- $\cos t < 2M / m^2$
- 2020 large scale production

Also: NEXT -100 (7k SiPM) Dark side 15 m<sup>2</sup>? SNO+ (LAB scint.)?

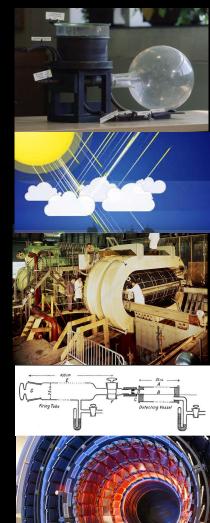
# Conclusions

#### Looking back:

- for > 1/2 a century an exciting story of fascinating developments
- detectors enabled important discoveries + precision measurements
- developments had major impact on industry, medical and science applications outside of physics

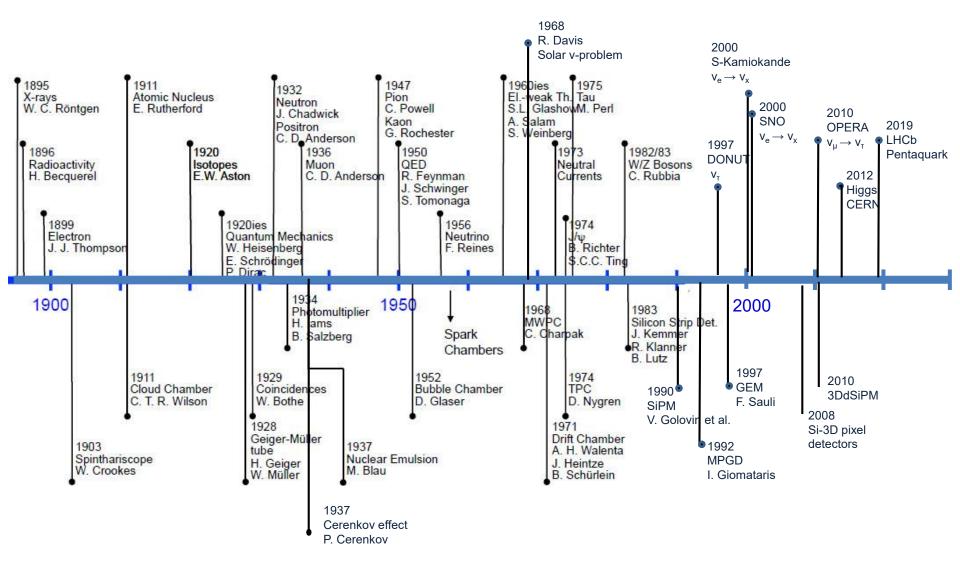
#### Looking forward:

- rapidly developing technologies bring new opportunities
- Increasing segmentation and pixelization reduce noise, increase radiation hardness and reduce cost
- Future experiments will rely on newest electronics and need timely R&D efforts, expertise and resources worldwide
- New science ideas, new experimental facilities, like LHC, ILC, and next generation  $\nu$  and astro-particle physics projects leave room for new ideas and serendipity





### **Detection Techniques & Discoveries**



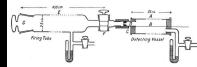
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# **Interesting Books and Links**

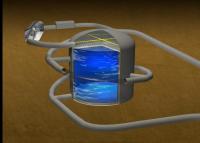
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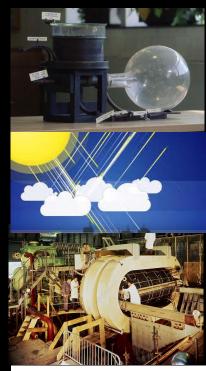
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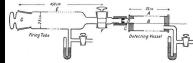




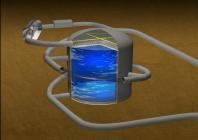


**Cloud Chambers** 



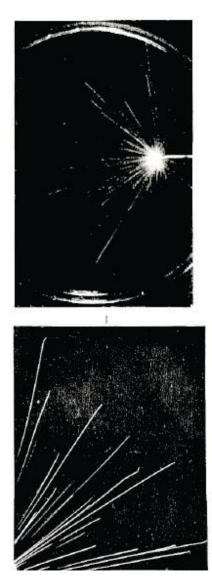


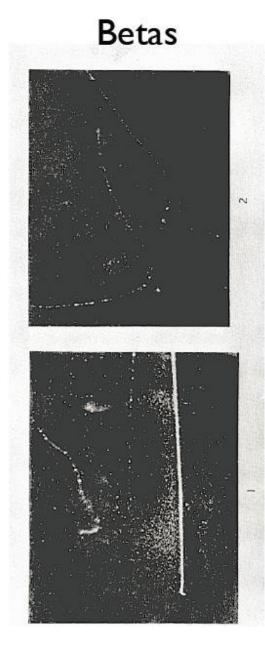




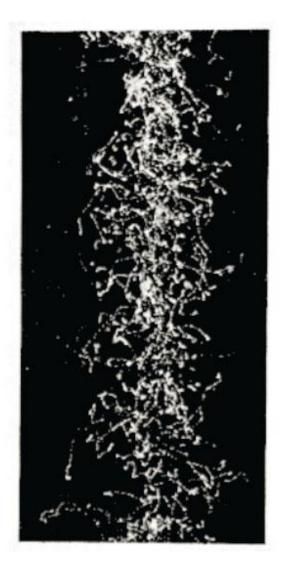
# **Cloud Chamber: seeing with (dE/dx)**

# Alphas

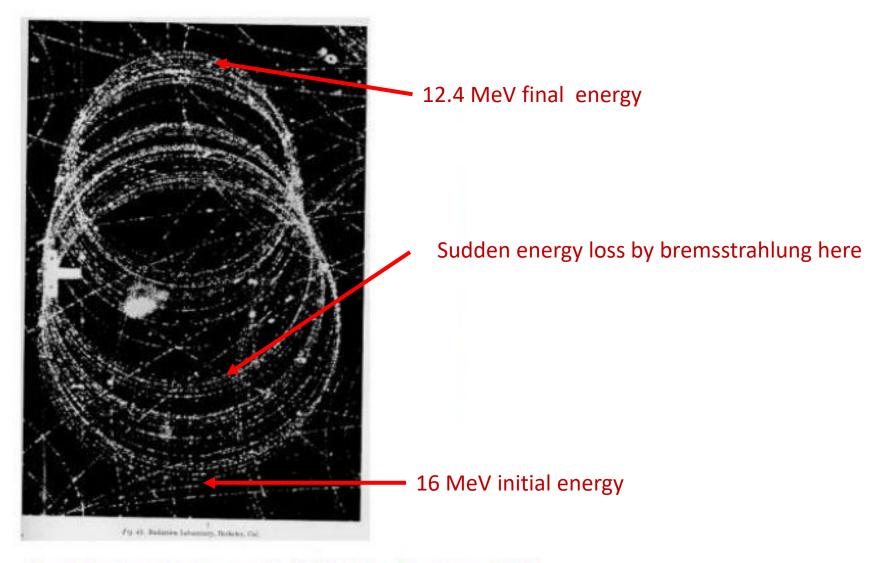




# Gammas

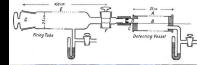


### **The Cloud Chamber**



#### Fast electron in a magnetic field at the Bevatron, 1940

#### **Gas Detectors**



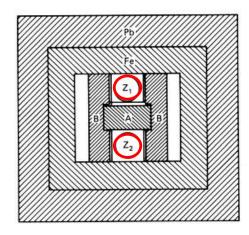




# **Counting in Coincidence**

1928 W. Müller investigates sporadic discharges of Geiger - Müller counters and realizes that these are due to cosmic rays (V. Hess, 1911)

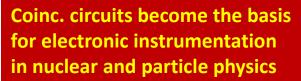
1929 Walther Bothe: "Zur Vereinfachung von Koinzidenzählungen" Z. Phys. 59 (1930)

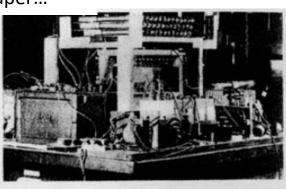


- Two or more tubes in coincidence give information on direction of cosmic rays
- Uses two electrometers projected on a moving film role

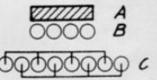
1929 Bruno Rossi reads Bothe's paper...

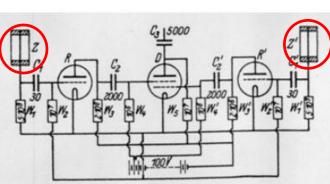
- Immediately invents an improved version
- Uses triode vacuum tubes
- Builds the first cosmic ray telescope 1934





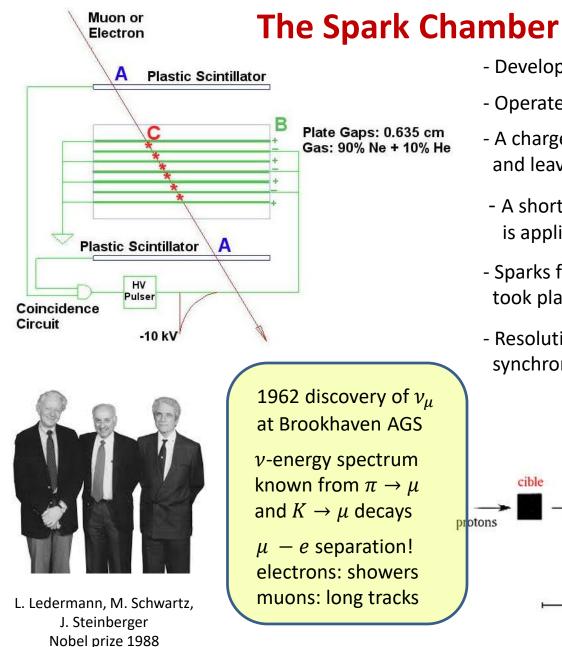




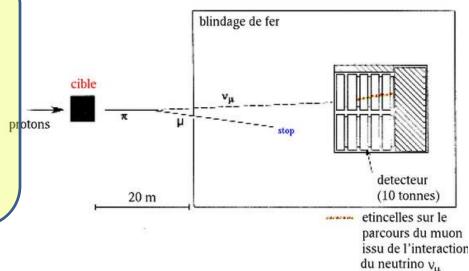


B.Rossi, Nature, 125(1930)2156

) W. Bothe 1891-1957 Nobel Prize 1954



- Developed in early 60's
- Operated in discharge mode
- A charged particle traverses the detector and leaves ionization trail
- A short (~ ms) HV pulse triggered by scintillators is applied between the metal plates
- Sparks form in the place where ionization took place
- Resolution less than in BC, but can be synchronized with accelerator beam pulse



### **The Spark Chamber**

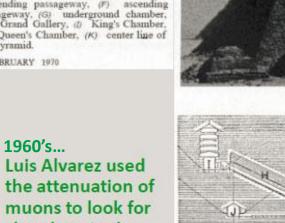
#### Search for Hidden Chambers in the Pyramids

The structure of the Second Pyramid of Giza is determined by cosmic-ray absorption.

Luis W. Alvarez, Jared A. Anderson, F. El Bedwei, James Burkhard, Ahmed Fakhry, Adib Girgis, Amr Goneid, Fikhny! Hassan, Dennis Iverson, Gerald Lynch, Zenab Miligy, Ali Hilmy Moussa, Mohammed-Sharkawi, Lauren Yazolino

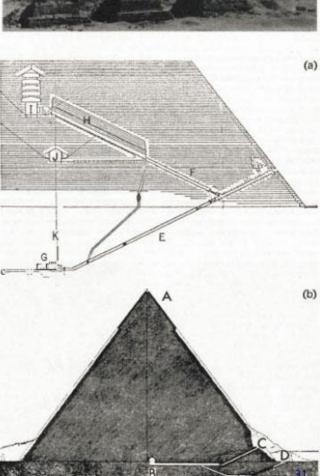
Fig. 2 (bottom right). Cross sections of (a) the Great Pyramid of Cheops and (b) the Pyramid of Chephren, showing the known chambers: (A) Smooth limestone cap, (B) the Belzoni Chamber, (C) Belzoni's entrance, (D) Howard-Vyse's entrance, UN descending passageway, (F) ascending passageway, (G) underground chamber, (1-1) Grand Gallery, (1) King's Chamber, (1) Queen's Chamber, (K) center line of the pyramid.

6 FEBRUARY 1970



chambers in the Second Giza Pyramid > Muon Tomography

He proved that there are no chambers present.



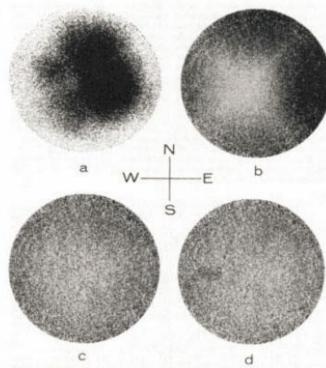


Fig. 13. Scatter plots showing the three stages in the combined analytic and visual analysis of the data and a plot with a simulated chamber, (a) Simulated "x-ray photograph" of uncorrected data, (b) Data corrected for the geometrical acceptance of the apparatus, (c) Data corrected pryramid structure as well as geometrical acceptance, (d) Same as (c) but with simulated chamber, as in Fig. 12.

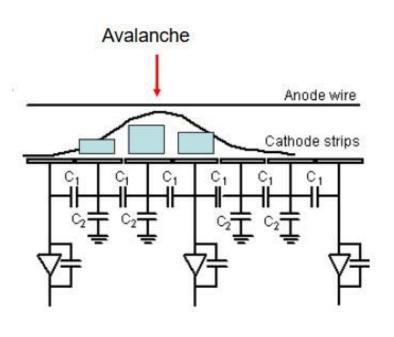
# The Spark Chamber (CERN Microcosm Museum)

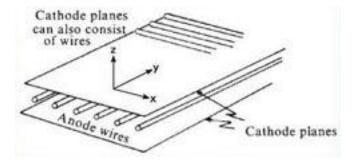


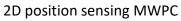
# **Multiwire Proportional Chambers (MWPC)**

#### How to read the second coordinate?

- Charge division on resistive wire read out on both ends
- Comparison of arrival times at both ends
- Cathode plane segmented into strips





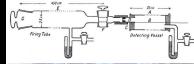


- Movement of charges induces signals on wire and cathode
- Width (1σ) of charge distribution ≈ distance between wire and cathode
- Center of gravity defines particle trajectory
- 50 μm resolution possible



Now digital radiography possible with 10 times less dose!

#### **Bubble Chambers**







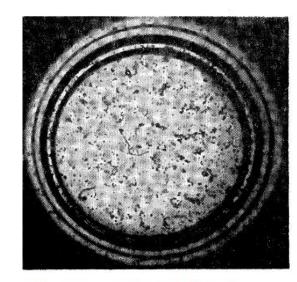
# **Bubble Chambers – Latest Developments**

### A quick step back in history!

#### Glaser (1956):

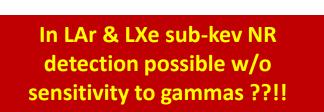
- No  $\gamma$  induced bubbles in pure Xe at  $E_{th} = 1 \text{ keV}$  !
- Bubble formation reappeared by quenching scintillation with 2% ethylene





Phys.Rev. 102, 586 (1956)

- In mono-atomic liquids e<sup>-</sup>-recoils do not contribute much to heat spike (CM –movement)
- Nuclear recoils however should remain unaffected!





Confirmed by recent tests at North-Western U. arXiv: 1702.08861

### **Bubble Chambers – Latest Developments**

#### Next: a 10 Kg LAr - SBC

**SBC Collaboration:** 

US, Canada, Mexico

#### **Performance:**

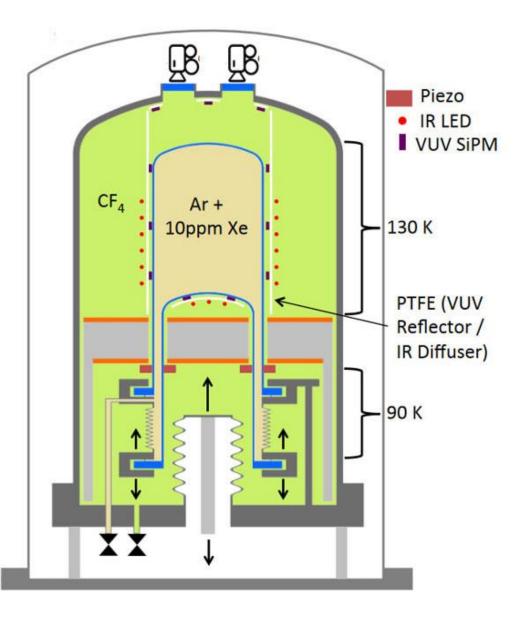
100 eV nuclear recoil detection Background free ton year exposure

**Physics:** 

1 -7 GeV WIMPs  $\rightarrow$  v - floor Reactor CEvNS

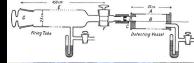
#### Schedule:

FY18 Technical design FY19/20 Assembly & commissioning



R. Neilson, Drexel U. 8/23/2018, DOE-HEP PI

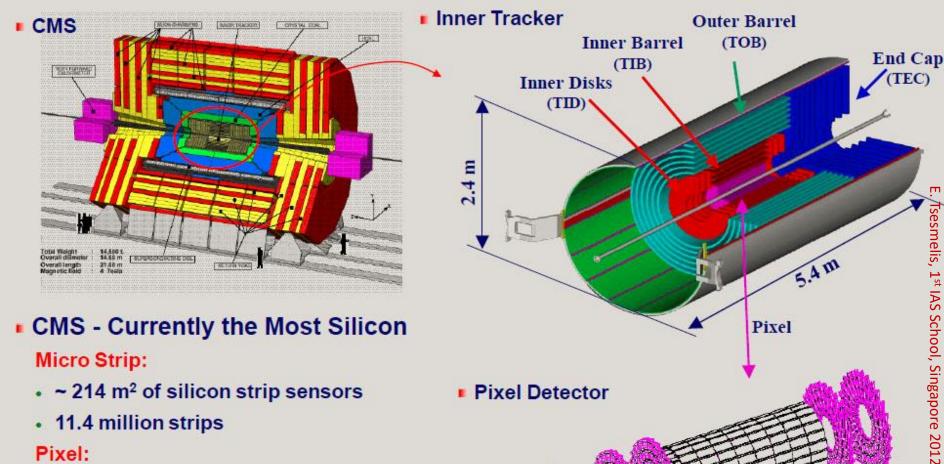
### **Si-Detecors**







# Example from LHC: The CMS Tracker



Pixel Detector

30

CIT

93 cm

Micro Strip:

- ~ 214 m<sup>2</sup> of silicon strip sensors
- 11.4 million strips

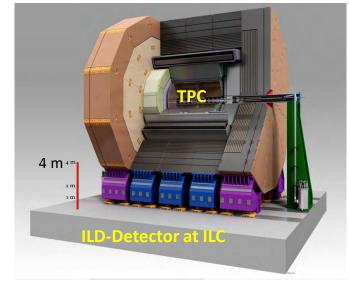
Pixel:

- Inner 3 layers: silicon pixels (~ 1m<sup>2</sup>)
- 66 million pixels (100x150µm)
- Precision: σ(rφ) ~ σ(z) ~ 15μm
- Most challenging operating environments (LHC)

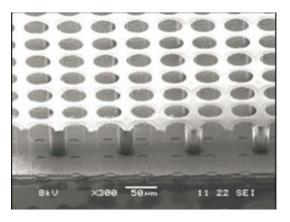
# **Recent Developments - Hybrid Technologies**

#### Combine MPGD with Si pixel detector

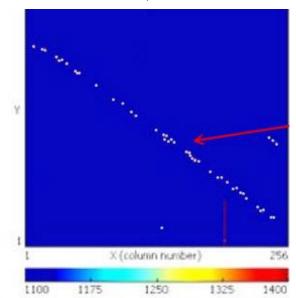
- Use Si- pixel arrays as active TPC pad-plane for ILD detector @ ILC
- TimePix: 256 x 256 pixels w. 55x55 μm<sup>2</sup> developed for medical applications (X-ray film replacement)
- Micromegas mesh provides gas amplification integrated on top of pixel chip



Planned Silicon surface: ~1800 m<sup>2</sup> (Tracker ~135 m<sup>2</sup>, EMCal ~1650 m<sup>2</sup>



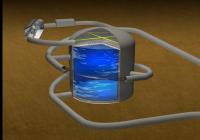
Individual ionization clusters visible  $\rightarrow$  like in an electronic bubble chamber!



#### **Ionization clusters**

### Photomultipliers

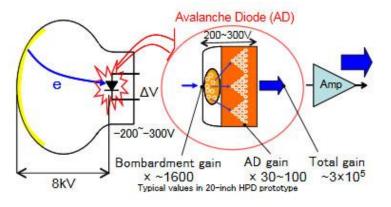


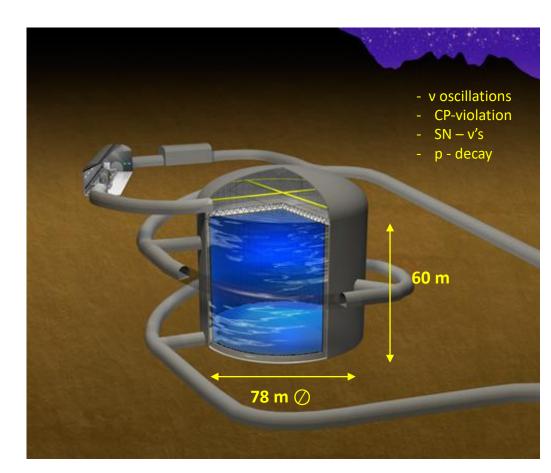


# Hybrid PMT's (HPD) – Future Applications

#### Hyper - Kamiokande (Start 2020)

- 0.56 Mton water Č - detector
- In v – beam 295 km from J-PARC
- HPD's considered for better timing
- 40 000 Large Aperture High Sensitive Hybrid PM's (LAHSHP – PM) 50 cm Ø
- QE 30% Hamamatsu (x2 Super K)



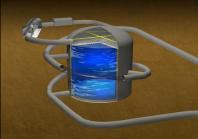


Other applications: - LHCb -Rich

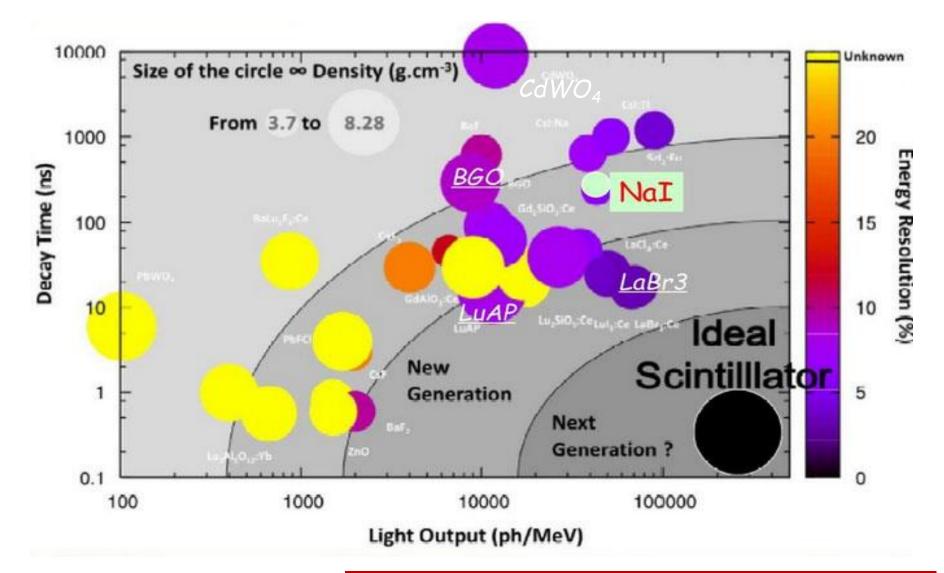
Advantage: maybe cheaper than SiPM (1/1000 Si-area)

### **Scintillators**





### The Ongoing Search for the Ideal Scintillator....



...mass production is the challenge for the future!