

Machine Protection

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- What & Why?
- Interaction of Beams with Matter
- Damage to Permanent Magnets



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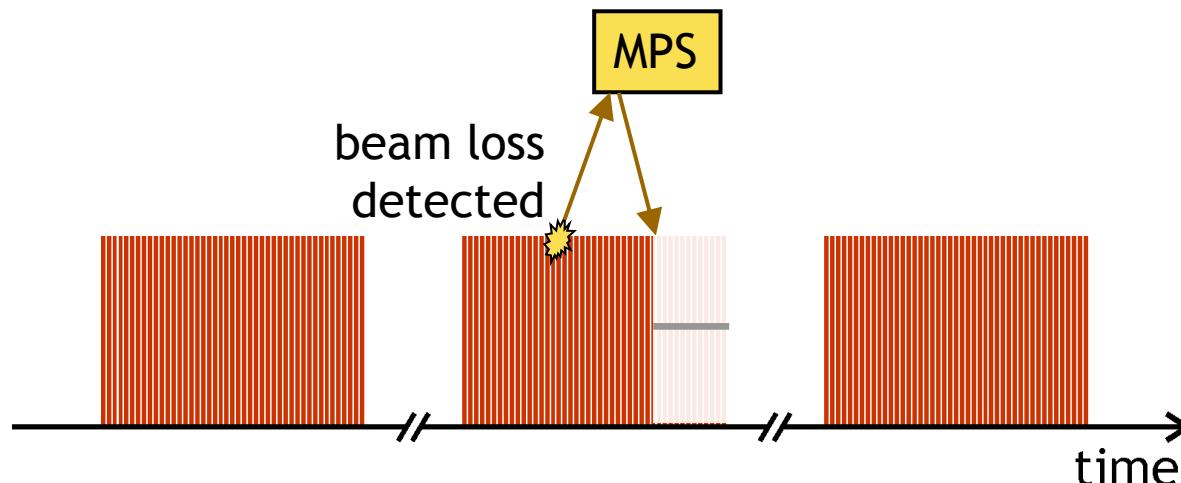
What & Why?

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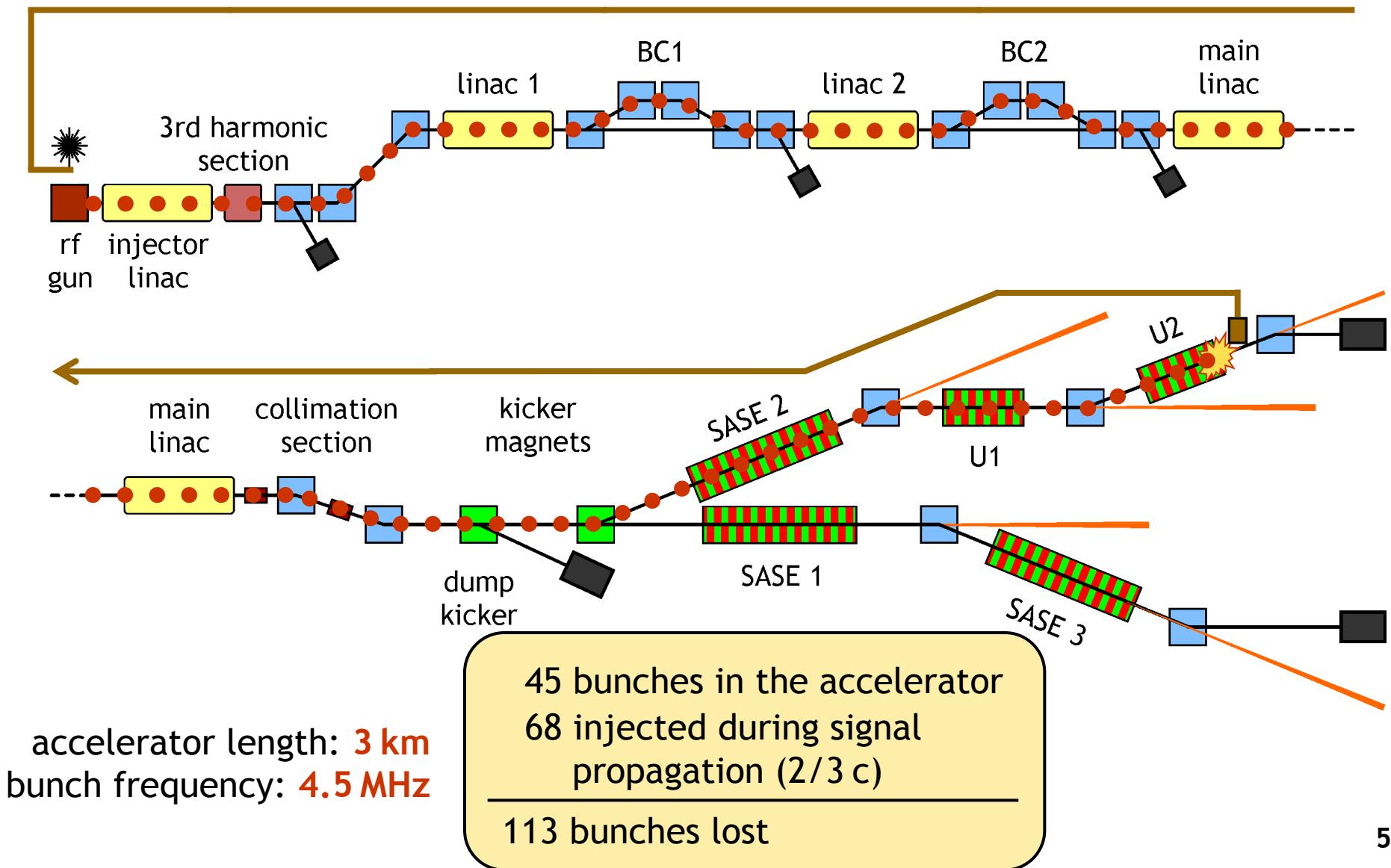
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Case Study: European XFEL (Early Design)



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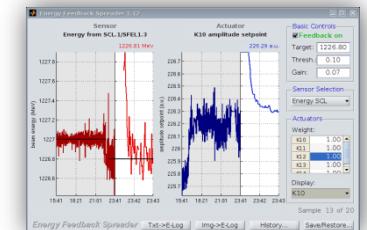
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- Collimators, absorbers
- Shielding



- Physics (matching, collective effects, ...)
- Robust systems+software (feedbacks, LLRF, controls, ...)
- Safe procedures (switch on, change beam energy, ramp to full power, ...)



Average Electron Beam Powers



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Normal conducting

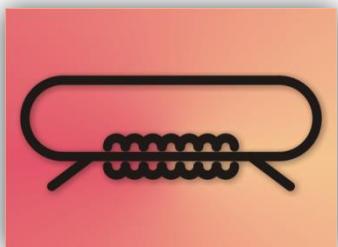
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Superconducting

• FLASH	1.3 GeV	1-3 MHz pulsed	10 W - 22 kW
• European XFEL	17.5 GeV	4.5 MHz pulsed	>500 kW
• LCLS-II	4 GeV	0.1-1 MHz CW	120 kW



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“Power = Energy · Current”



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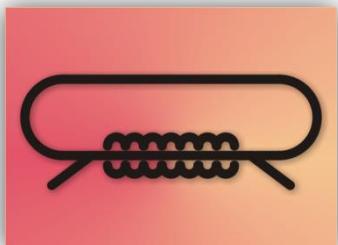
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$$= \frac{\text{energy}}{\text{charge}} \cdot \frac{\text{charge}}{\text{time}}$$

$$\text{average beam power} = \frac{\text{“beam energy”}}{e} \cdot \text{average current}$$

$$= \frac{\text{“beam energy”}}{e} \cdot \text{repetition rate} \cdot \text{bunch charge}$$



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For an accelerator with **P = 1 MW**:

Local loss power (W)	Effects
100 – 1000 10^{-3}	Thermal/mechanical damage
10 – 100	Mechanical failure of flange connections
1 – 100	Activation of components
1 – 100	Radiation damage to electronics, optical components, &c.
1 – 10	Excessive cryogenic load, quenches
0.01 – 0.1 10^{-7}	Demagnetization of permanent magnets



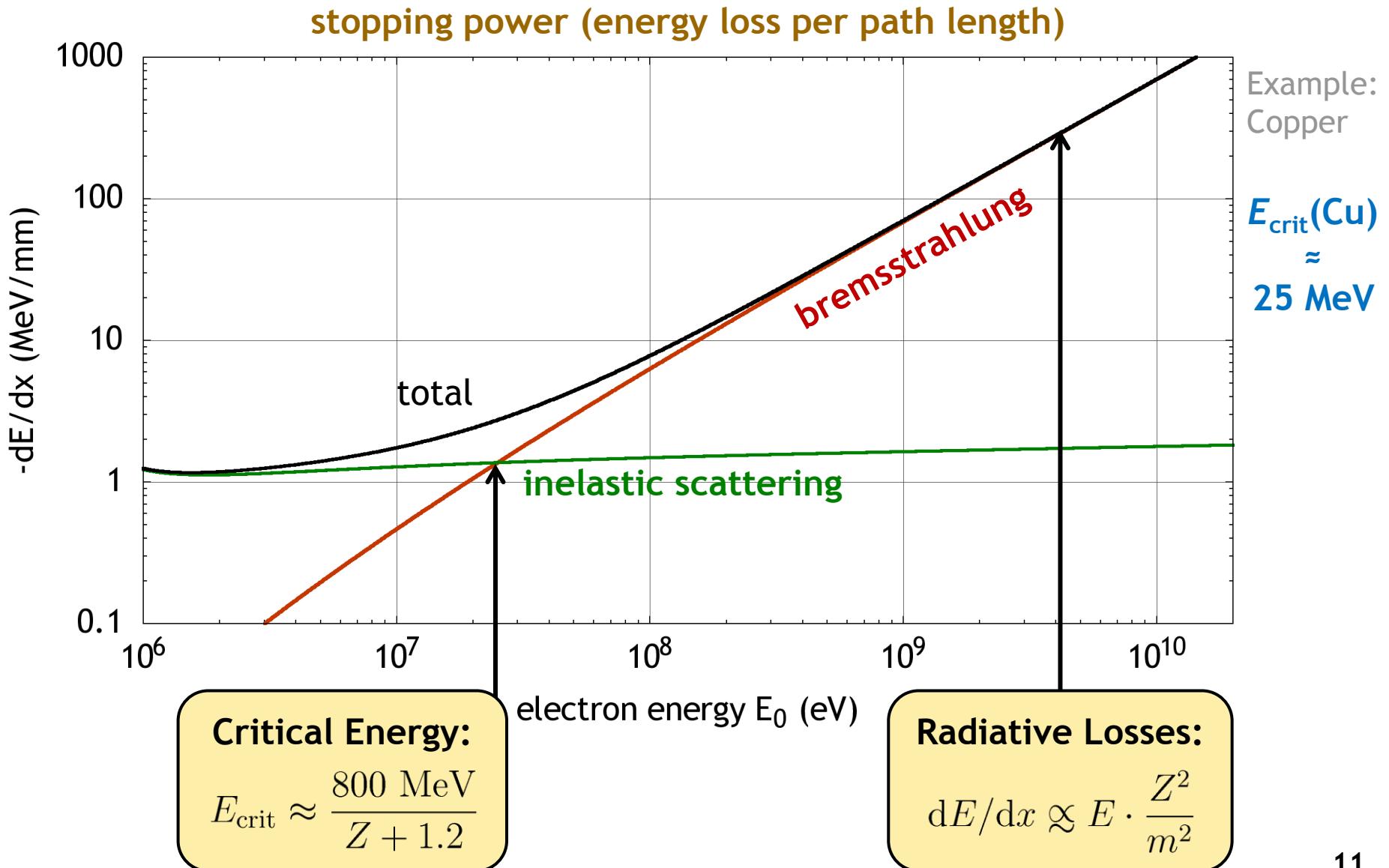
A photograph of a stream flowing through a dense forest. The water is clear and greenish, moving over rocks and logs. The banks are covered in lush green foliage and trees. The overall scene is peaceful and natural.

Interaction of Beams with Matter

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Energy Loss of Electrons in Matter



Bremsstrahlung: Radiation Length

- At high energies, the energy loss by bremsstrahlung scales like:

$$dE/dx \approx E \cdot \text{const.}$$

- Therefore, the remaining particle energy can be written as:

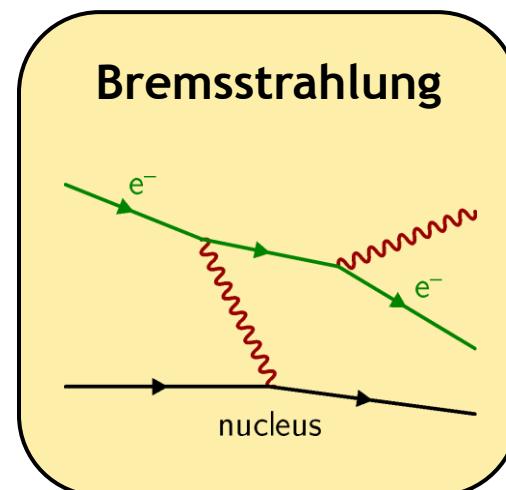
$$E(x) \approx E_0 \exp\left(-\frac{x}{L_{\text{rad}}}\right)$$

- After one radiation length, the energy of a high energy electron has decreased to $1/e$ of its initial value.

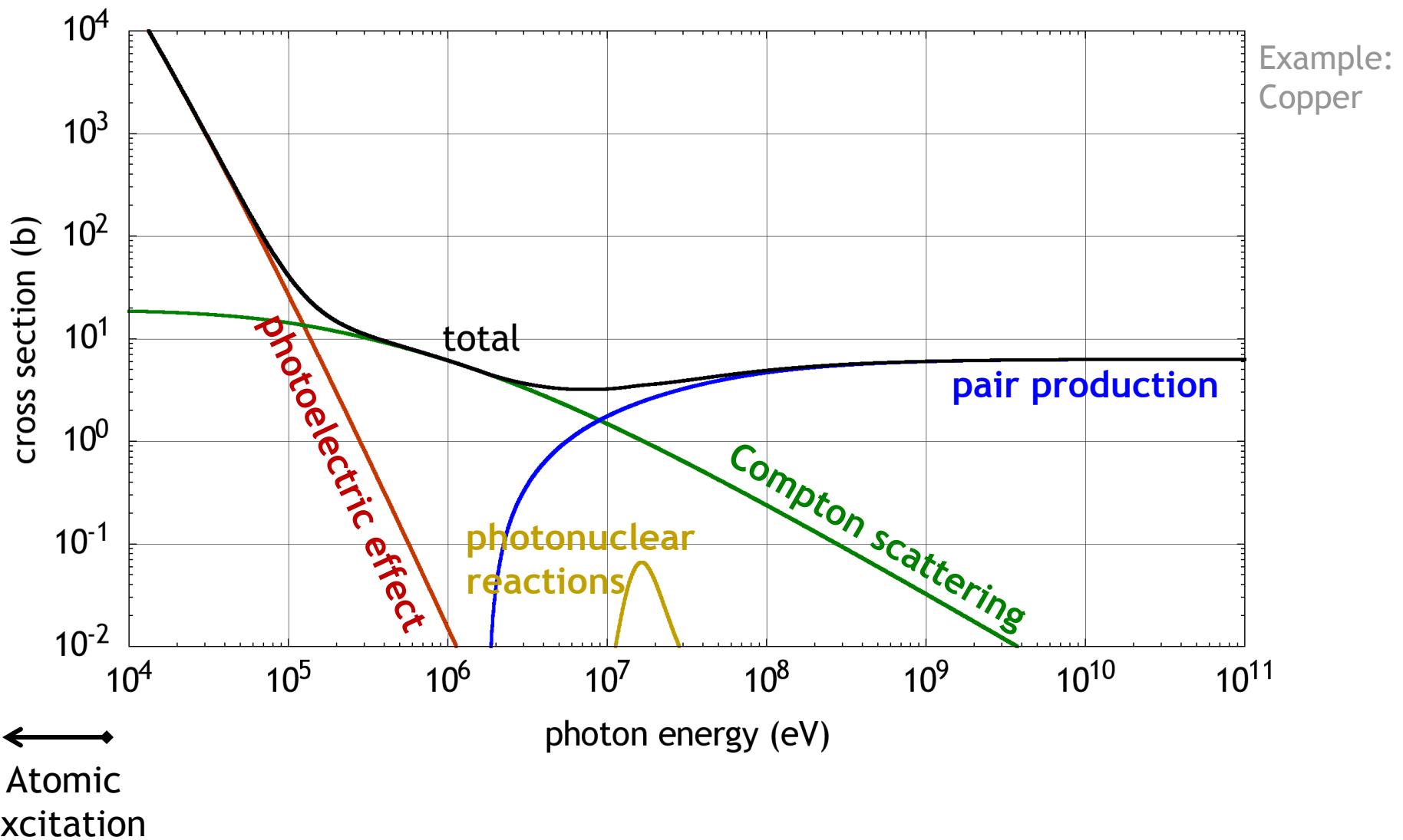
- The radiation length is often normalized to a standard density:

$$X_0 = L_{\text{rad}} \cdot \rho_0$$

	L_{rad} (cm)	X_0 (g/cm ²)
Aluminum	8.9	24.01
Titanium	3.56	16.17
Iron	1.76	13.84
Copper	1.43	12.86
Tungsten	0.35	6.76
Lead	0.56	6.37



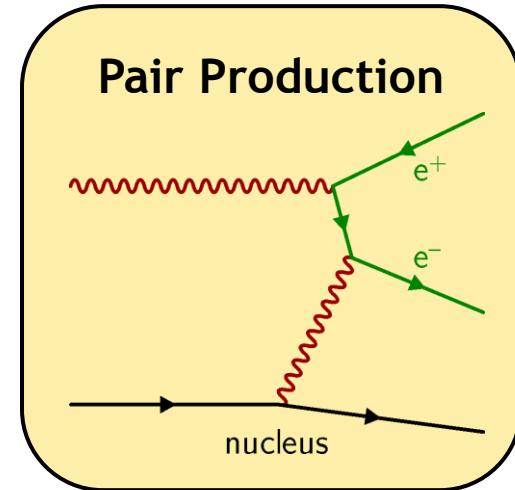
Photonic Interactions with Matter



Pair Production

- Minimum energy for pair production:
 $2.511 \text{ keV} \approx 1.02 \text{ MeV } (e^+/e^-)$
 $2.106 \text{ MeV} \approx 211 \text{ MeV } (\mu^+/\mu^-)$
- Cross section for muon production is small, but muons are of concern for personnel protection!
- Cross section scales roughly as Z^2 :
Heavy elements shield well against photon beams
- Mean free photon path at high energies:

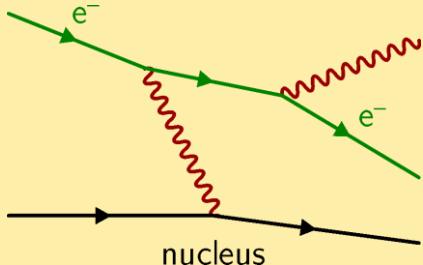
$$L_{\text{pair}} \approx \frac{9}{7} L_{\text{rad}}$$



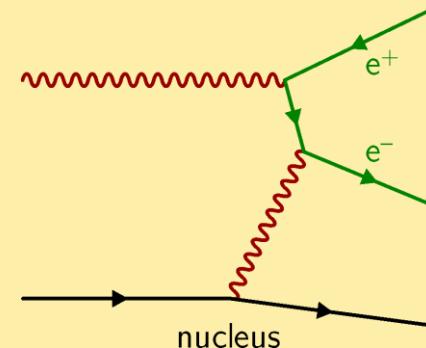
The typical path length a photon can travel in matter until it is consumed in a pair production event is $\sim 30\%$ higher than the radiation length of the material.

Electromagnetic Cascades

Bremsstrahlung

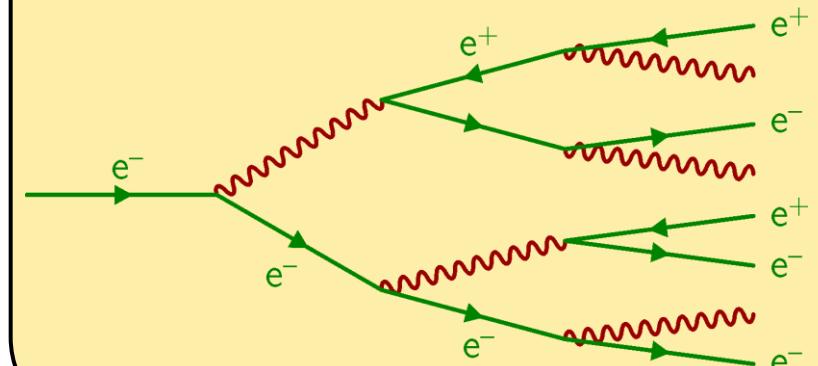


Pair Production



Electromagnetic Shower

one particle of
high energy



many particles of
lower energy

A Veeeery Simple Shower Model

Assumptions:

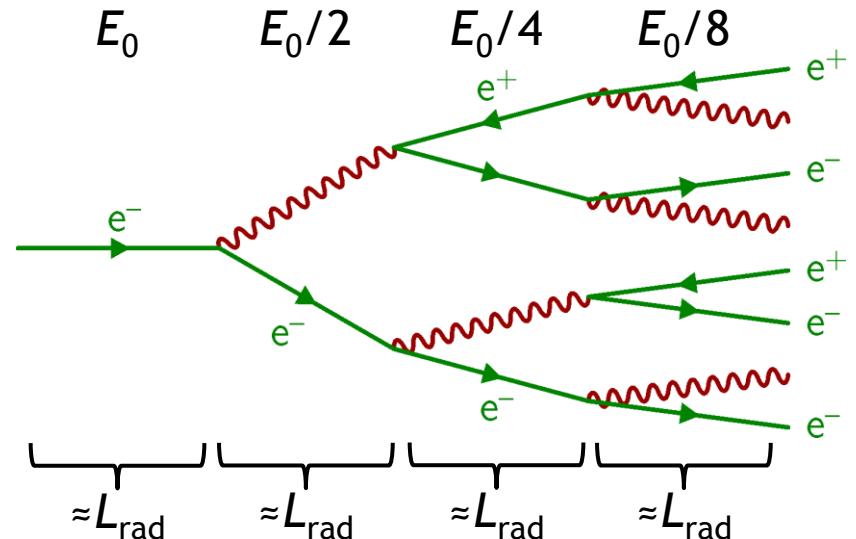
- An electron emits half of its energy as a single photon after L_{rad} .
- A photon is converted to an e^+ / e^- pair, each carrying half of its energy, after L_{rad} .
- The shower stops when particle energies drop below the critical energy.

Particle energy after N radiation lengths:

$$E(N) = E_0 / 2^N$$

The critical energy is reached after N_{crit} radiation lengths:

$$E_{\text{crit}} = E(N_{\text{crit}}) = E_0 / 2^{N_{\text{crit}}}$$

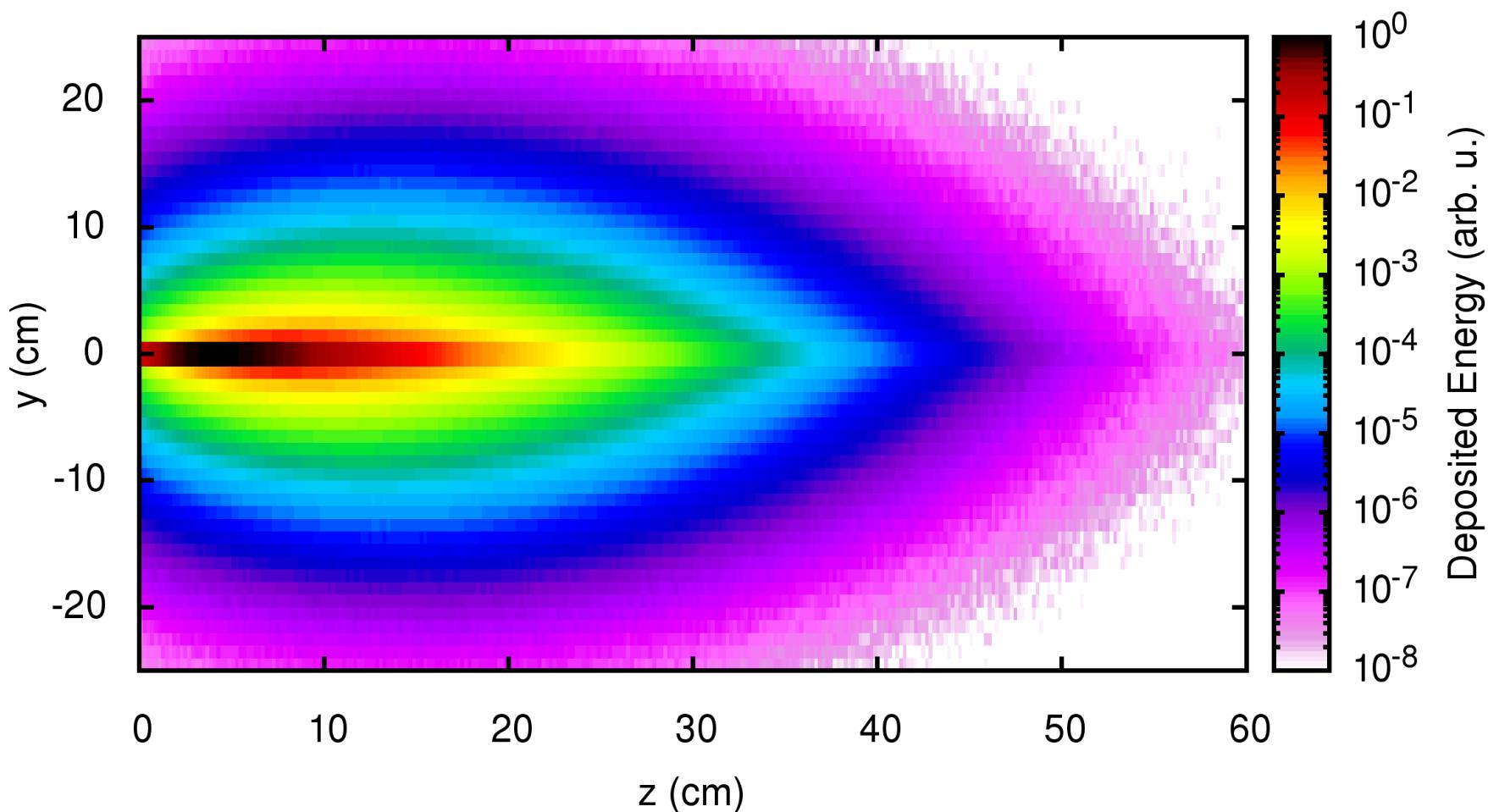


Number of radiation lengths to reach the critical energy:

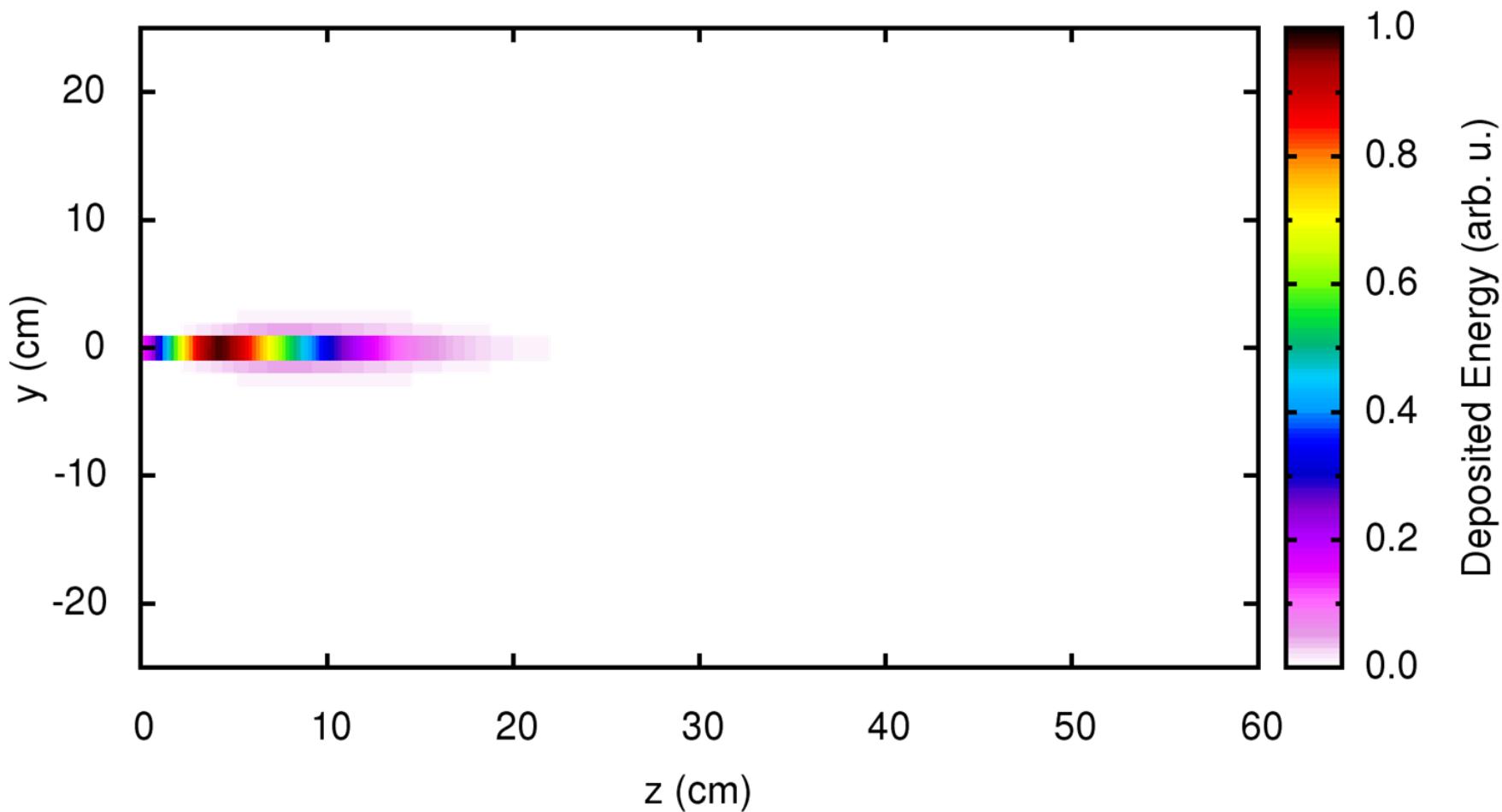
$$N_{\text{crit}} = \ln(E_0 / E_{\text{crit}}) / \ln(2)$$

This is only a qualitative model!
Better: Monte Carlo (Fluka, Geant, ...)

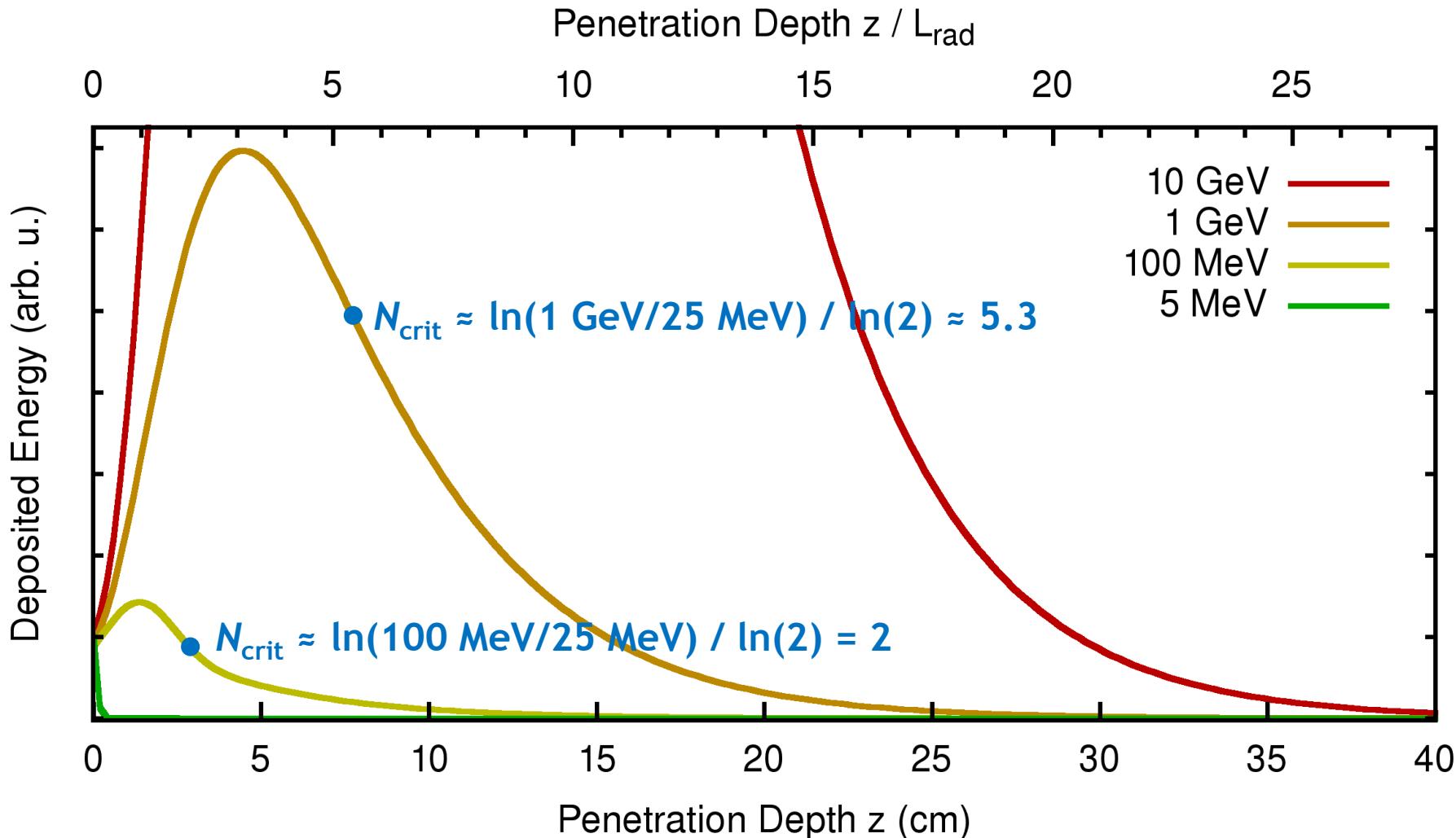
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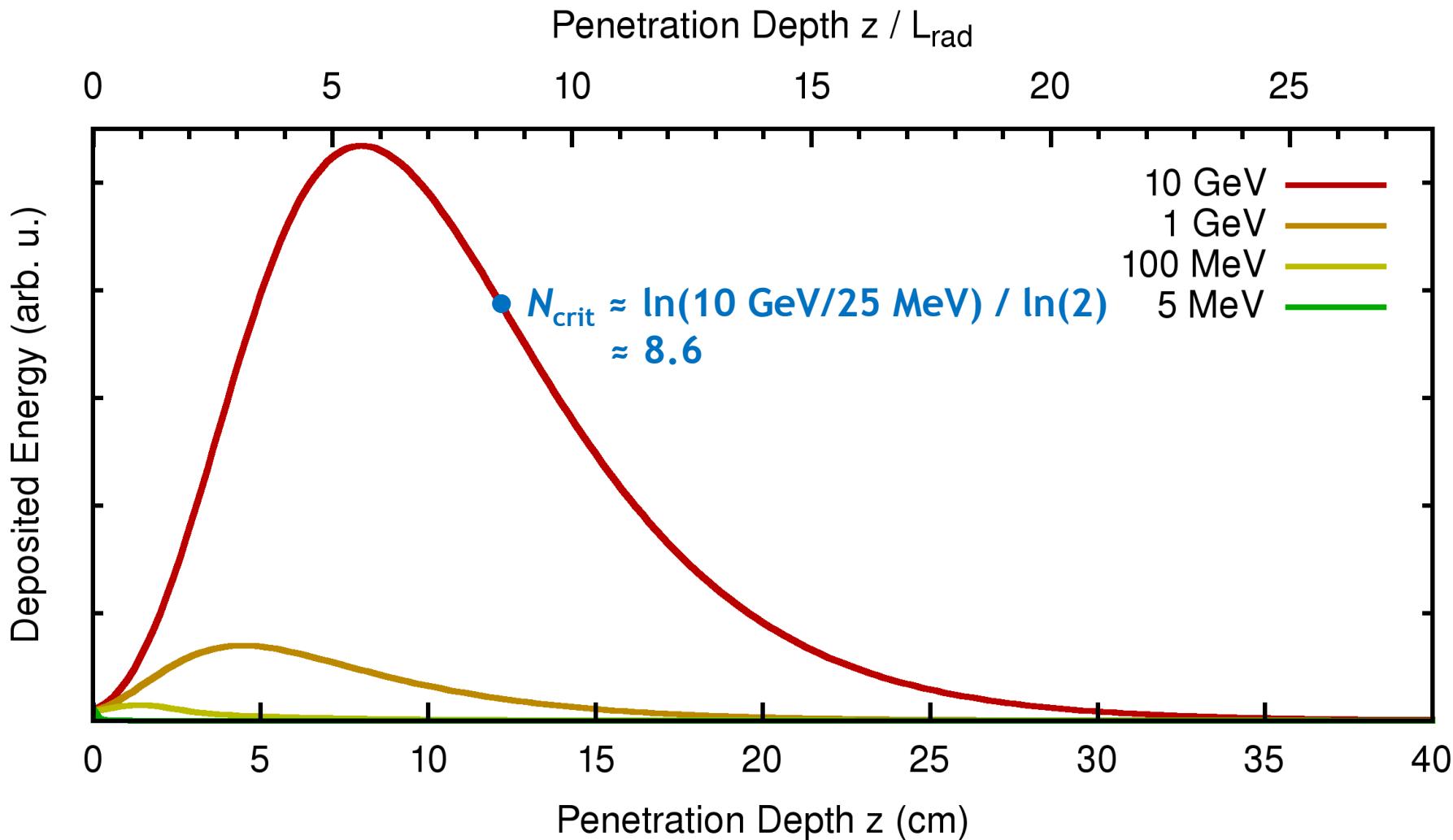
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Electron Beam Hitting a Copper Target



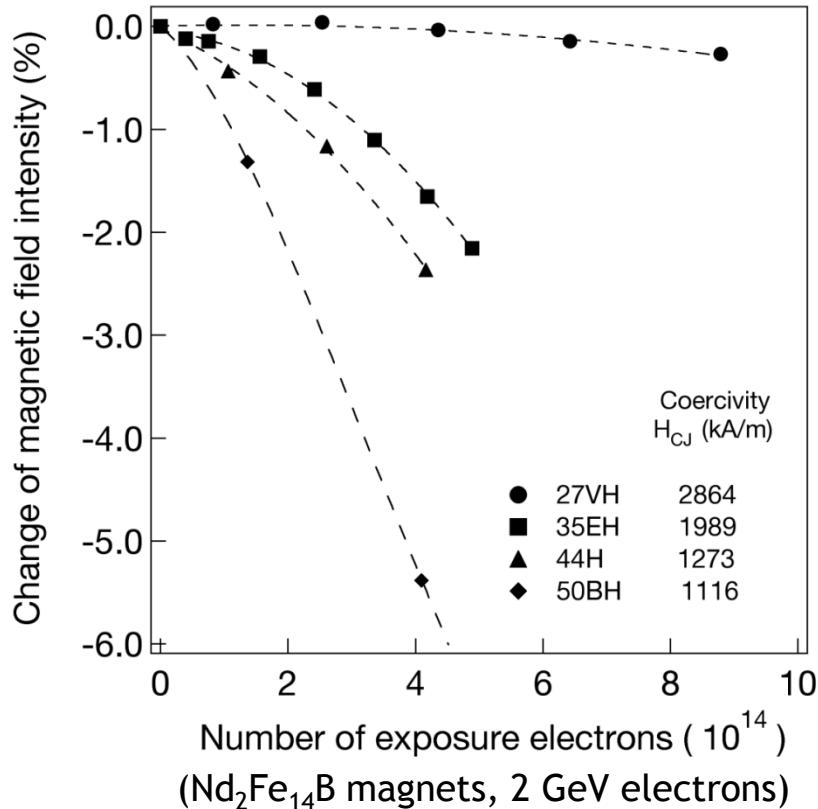
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A photograph of a forested hillside. In the foreground, several tall evergreen trees, likely spruce or fir, are visible, their dark green needles contrasting with the bright sunlight. The hillside itself is covered in a mix of green and brown vegetation, suggesting a transition between different tree species or perhaps some deforestation. The lighting is bright, casting shadows that emphasize the texture of the trees and the uneven terrain of the hillside.

Damage to Permanent Magnets

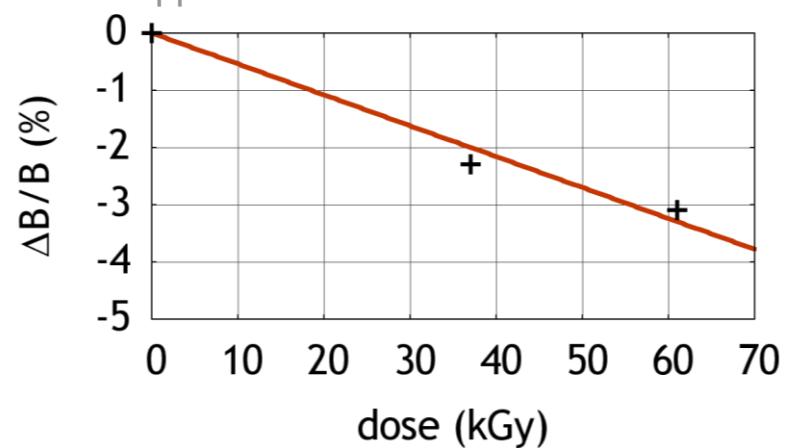
Demagnetization of Permanent Magnets



Teruhiko Bizen - “Brief Review of the Approaches to Elucidate the Mechanism of the Radiation-induced Demagnetization” (ERL workshop 2011, Tsukuba, Japan)

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- Permanent magnets lose magnetic field under irradiation with high energy electron beams
- Various magnetic materials behave differently

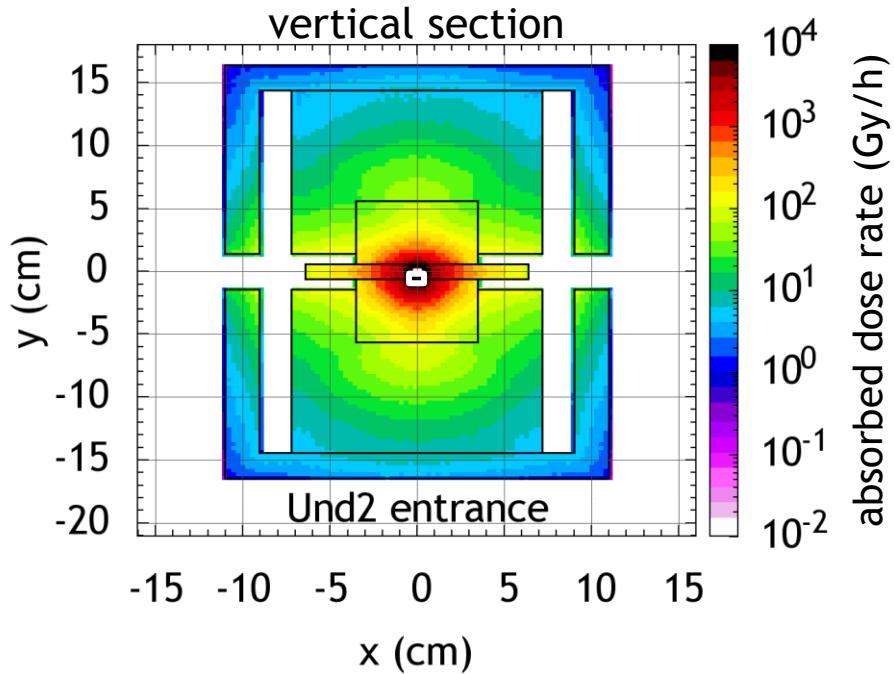
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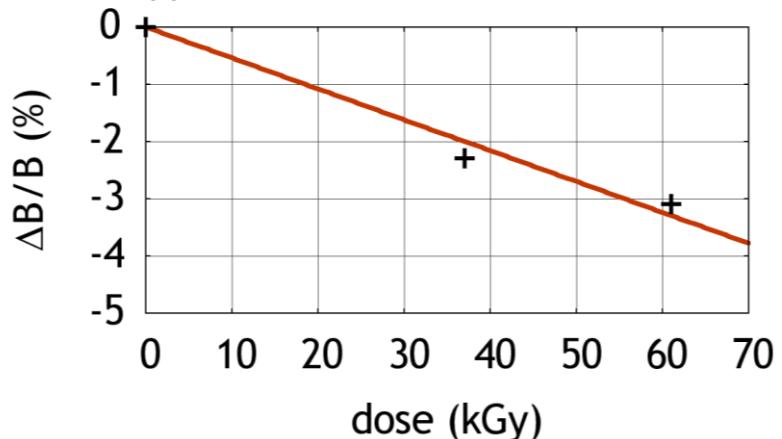
Can demagnetization be compensated by undulator tuning (opening gaps)?

FLUKA beam loss simulation
(FLASH, 1 bunch, 10 Hz)

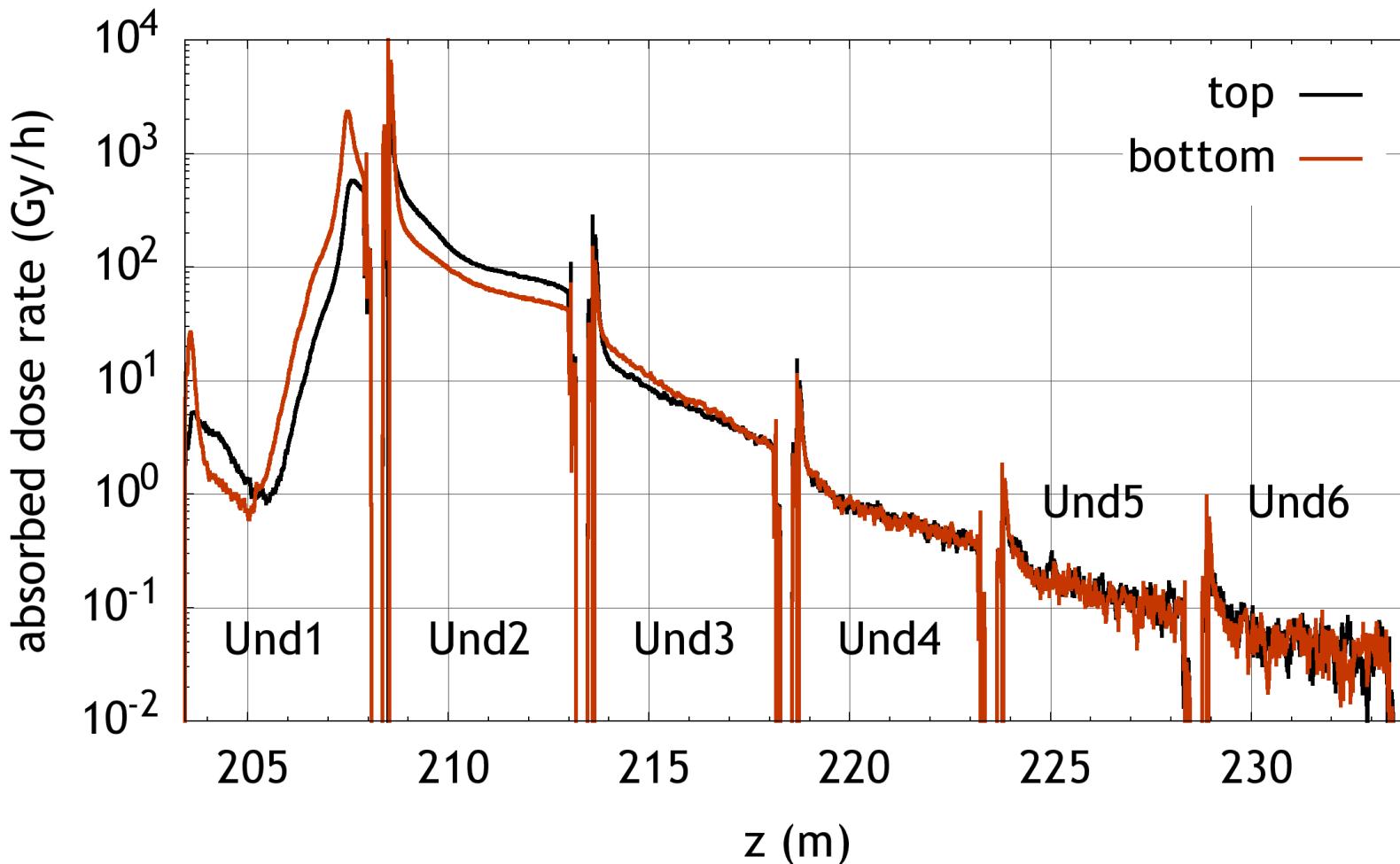


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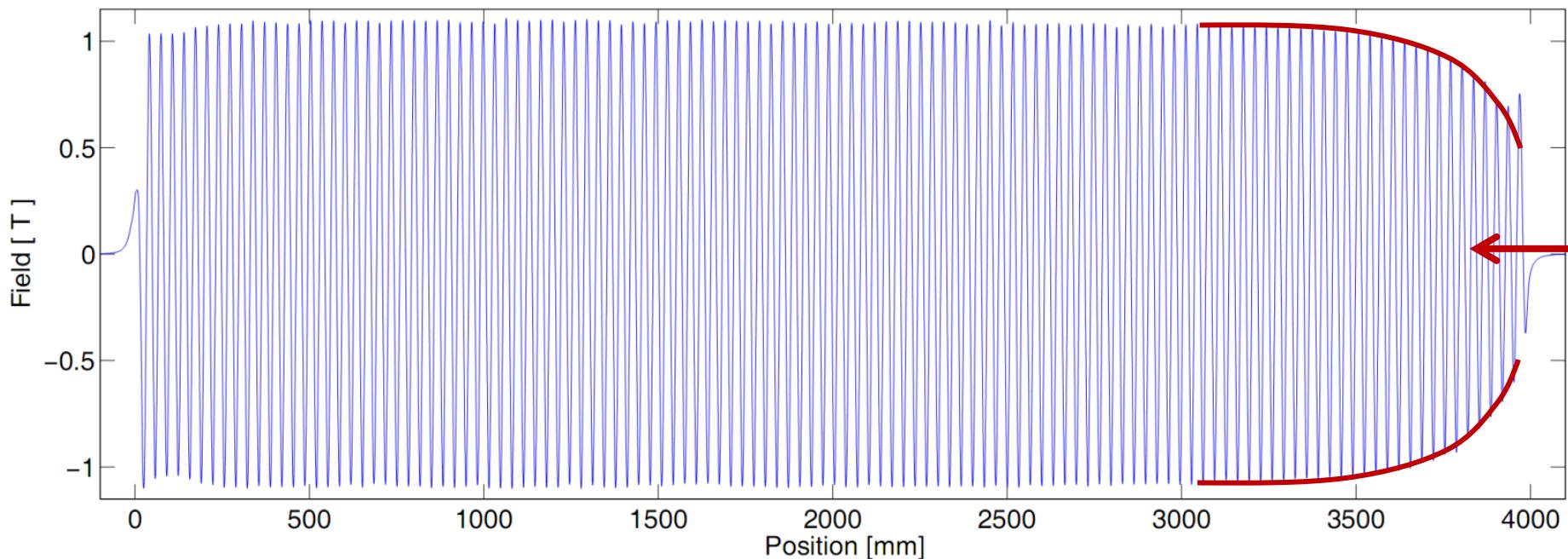


FLASH: Longitudinal Dose Distribution



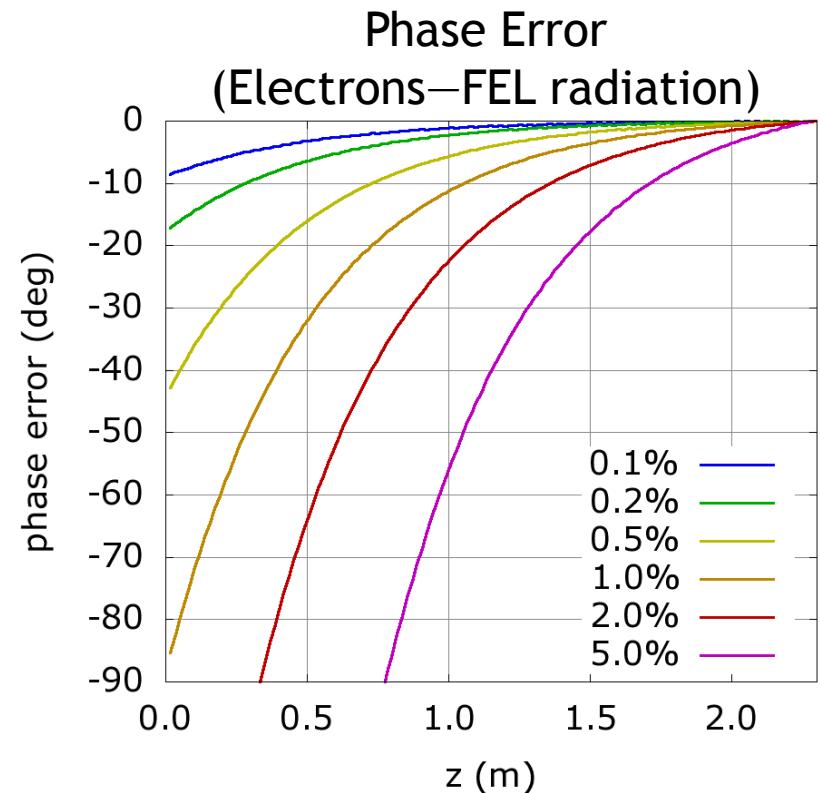
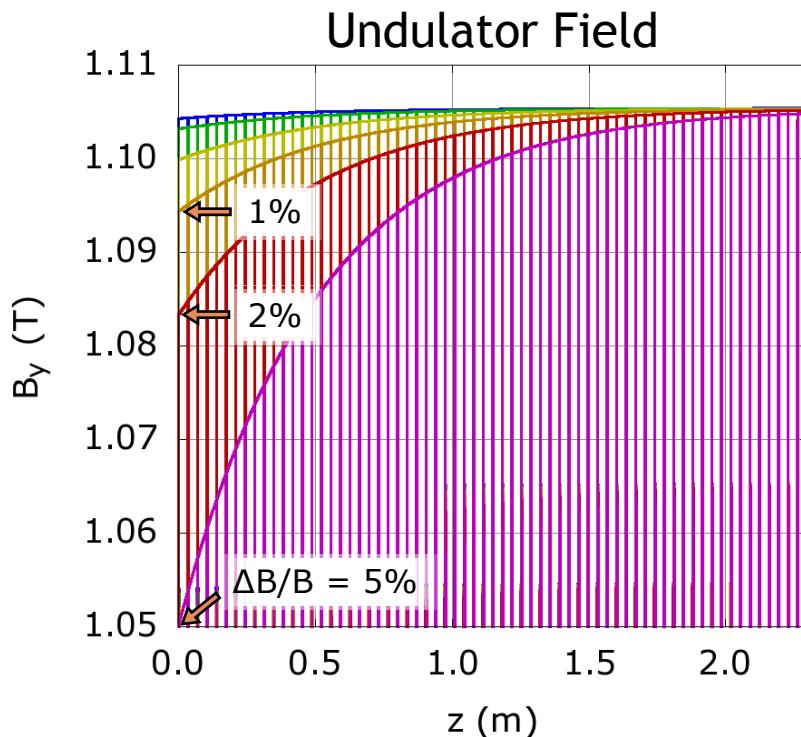
Approximate parameters:
7200 bunches at 1 nC, 10 Hz, ~1 GeV

Field Loss of a PETRA-II Undulator



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Demagnetization and Phase Error



Example: FERMI@Elettra FEL-2, second stage radiator
66 periods of 3.48 cm

The background image shows a dense forest covering a mountain range. The foreground is filled with various green plants and shrubs. In the distance, the peaks of the mountains are partially obscured by a thick layer of white mist or low-hanging clouds.

Final Remarks

Final Remarks & References

- Balance:
 - Protect the machine
 - Protect the beam
 - With as little resources as possible
 - Variety:
 - Beam dynamics, particle physics, instrumentation, controls, reliability theory, systems design
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