

Calorimetry Lecture 1

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Outline



- Calorimeters in Context: Why Calorimetry?
- Principles of Calorimetry
 - Interactions with matter
 - Shower shapes and cascades
- Types of Calorimeters
 - Total Absorption, Sampling
 - Scintillation, Ionization, Cherenkov
 - Signal Detection

What is Calorimetry Really?



- The first calorimeter which you probably met as a student was a "bomb" calorimeter
 - Measure the temperature change of a known volume of water to determine the energy released in a reaction – sharing the reaction energy with many molecules evenly to determine the total
- HEP Calorimetry has similarities
 - Convert the energy of an incoming single particle into many lowerenergy particles and count the number of particles to determine the original total







$$E_m = N E_c = E_i$$





$$E_{m} = \epsilon N E_{c}$$

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$E_{m} = \epsilon N E_{c} + E_{n} - \langle E_{n} \rangle$ $\sigma_{E_{m}} = \sigma_{\epsilon} N E_{c} \oplus \epsilon \sigma_{N} E_{c} \oplus \sigma_{n}$ $\sigma_{E_{m}} = \sigma_{\epsilon} N E_{c} \oplus \epsilon \sqrt{N} E_{c} \oplus \sigma_{n}$







Why Calorimetry?

- Particles have high momentum and can be collected by calorimetry
 - Poor targets for calorimetry : $\mu\,\nu$
- Particles do not have electric charge and therefore do not bend in magnetic fields or leave signals in tracking detectors
 - Poor targets for tracking : $\gamma n K_{L} v$



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The First Black Box Particle Interactions with Matter



Targets and Interactions

- Matter is a diffuse cloud of electrons with a distribution of small, high q, high mass, nuclei
- The interactions between the incoming particles and the target will determine how the N daughter particles are created
 - Electromagnetic interaction
 - Radiative interactions and ionization-type interactions
 - Strong interaction
- Which interactions have the largest cross sections and what are the relevant length scales that result?



Radiative Interactions

- Cross-section is set by classical electron radius and a photon propagator integral over the unscreened nuclear charge
 - Electromagnetic radiative interactions will occur dominantly at low momentum (photon propagator 1/q²) and in regions with coherent non-zero net charge (near the nucleus)

$$\sigma_{radiative} \approx \pi r_e^2 \left[\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right) Z^2 \int_{1/r_{atom}}^{1/r_{nucleus}^2} \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \right]$$

$$\sigma_{radiative} \approx 4 \alpha r_e^2 Z^2 \ln \left(\frac{r_{atom}}{r_{nucleus}} \right)$$

$$\sigma_{radiative} \approx 4 \alpha r_e^2 Z^2 \ln \left(\frac{183}{\sqrt[3]{Z}} \right)$$



Mean Free Path



• What is the mean free path for an electron?

$$MFP = X_0 = \frac{1}{n\sigma}$$
$$X_0 = \frac{1}{4n\alpha r_e^2 Z^2 \ln \frac{183}{\sqrt[3]{Z}}}$$

• Photon radiation length: $X_0^{\gamma} = \frac{9}{7}X_0$



When not showering...





 In between radiative interactions, charged particles will have ionizing interations, Compton-scatters, and similar low-momentum-transfer interactions

Electromagnetic Shower Development



• In the first radiation lengths of a shower, radiative processes dominate, resulting in a large multiplication of photons, electrons, and positrons e^{-}



- As the average particle energy drops, Compton scattering, photoelectric, and ionization processes dominate
 - In the final count of particles, there 100x as many liberated atomic electrons as positrons
- Finally, particle energies fall to the point where they are absorbed in atomic systems and the density of particles starts to fall

Shower Max



- At the shower maximum, the amplification rate becomes unity. "Shower max" is the plane in the shower development which has the largest number of particles flowing through it.
 - Average particle energy: E_c (Pb = 7.2 MeV, Fe = 22 MeV)
 - Number of particles : $N_{max} = E_i / E_c$
 - Location of shower max : $L_{max} \sim ln (E_i/E_c) X_0$
 - Total path length of particles : $L_{tot} \sim N_{max} X_0/ln 2$
- Energy of the initial particle can be determined from N_{max} or L_{tot} (which is proportional to N_{max})

Shower Profile (Cu)





Transverse Shower Profile



- Moliere radius: characteristic transverse size of an electromagnetic shower
 - r_m = (21 MeV/E_c) X₀
- Calorimeter transverse segmentation should be somewhat finer than Moliere radius
 - Using energy distribution in neighboring cells, shower position with the peak cell can be determined to within 5% of the cell size



What about muons and hadrons?

 Radiative processes are suppressed by m⁻² for muons and protons $\sigma_{radiative} \approx 4 \alpha r_e^2 Z^2 \ln\left(\frac{183}{\sqrt[3]{Z}}\right)$ $r_e \propto \frac{1}{m_e}$ $\frac{\sigma_{radiative}}{\sigma_{radiative}} = \left(\frac{m_e}{m_f}\right)^2$

- Additional suppression for pions
- For hadrons, strong interactions are more important
 - $\sigma(pp) \sim 40$ mb and \sim constant with q²
 - σ(πp) ~ 26 mb [2/3 σ(pp)]
- Wide array of processes with different rates
 - Pion production, nuclear fission, neutron capture, nucleus excitation...
 Hadron calorimetry is complex!



Material Properties



Material	Z	Density [g/cm ³]	X ₀ [cm]	λ _{int} [cm]	E _c [MeV]
Fe	26	7.9	1.8	17	22
Cu	29	9.0	1.4	15	19
Pb	82	11	0.6	17	7.6
W	74	19	0.4	9.6	8.1
U	92	19	0.3	11	6.5
Plastic	~2	1.0	42	80	~92
Liquid Argon	18	1.4	14	84	32
Quartz	~10	2.3	12	43	44
Si	14	2.3	9.4	46	40
Al	13	27	8.9	39	42

Pion Cascade



• Primary pion interaction with nuclei is

$$\pi + N \rightarrow a \pi^{+} + b \pi^{-} + c \pi^{0} + X$$

- No requirement for charge conservation (charge exchange with nucleons)
- Equal amounts of π^+ , π^- , π^0 produced on average
- When a neutral pion is produced, it rapidly decays to two photons and initiates an electromagnetic shower: **one-way street** $\pi^{\circ} \rightarrow yy$





 In the simplest model, 2/3 of the energy goes into electromagnetic energy at each stage

$$f_{em} = 1 - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{E/E_0}$$

- The electromagnetic energy fraction increases as the initial energy increases
- Since other processes are present, a more-complex model fits better:

$$f_{em} = 1 - \left(\frac{E}{E_0}\right)^{k-1}$$

• And there are fluctuations!



Hadron-Shower Fluctuations





Where does the energy go?



- For the hadronic part of the shower, energy goes into both visible and invisible places
 - O(60%) : Ionizing particles (protons, pions : visible)
 - O(10%) : Evaporation neutrons (somewhat visible, sometimes late)
 - O(30%) : Nuclear binding energy and recoil (invisible)

Nuclear "star" initiated by 30 GeV proton, as observed in photographic emulsion



Transverse Shower Development





FIG. 2.34. Lateral profiles for 300 GeV π^- interactions in a block of uranium, measured from the induced radioactivity at a depth of $4\lambda_{int}$ inside the block. The ordinate indicates the decay rate of different radioactive nuclides, produced in nuclear reactions by different types of shower particles. Data from [Ler 86].

f_{EM} and invisible energy



- As the f_{EM} rises, the fraction of energy lost invisibly will decrease
- As there are more neutrons than protons in heavy nuclei, π^+ will convert into π^0 more efficiently than π^-

$$\pi^+ n \rightarrow \pi^0 p$$
$$\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^0 n$$



The Second and Third Black Boxes Measuring the particles produced



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Principle of Measurement



- The basic principle of measurement in calorimetry is to determine the total number or path length of particles produced in the shower
 - Subject to ~linear proportionality (e.g. charged particles only or a fixed nominal fraction of the path lengths)



Total absorption calorimetry



 Transparent crystals including a heavy element in the matrix



- A fraction of ionization energy will produce visible light through scintillation
 - Measurement of the amount of light produces the energy measurement => requirement for a photodetector

Resolution Calculation



- For a 1 GeV photon using CMS's PbWO₄
 - ~100,000 photons/GeV => 0.3%
- Not all photons are detected many are absorbed before reaching the photodetector or do not produce a signal
 - 4% of photons become PE (4000) => 1.6%
- Fluctuations in the photodetector generate an additional factor of $\sqrt{2}$ 1.6%*2 => 2.2%
- Limit the lateral sum to keep the number of channels contributing to the electronic noise to 25, the containment fluctuations add 1.5% in quadrature

=> 2.7%

Sampling Calorimetry





- Materials appropriate for total-absorption calorimetry are very expensive
 - Financially impossible for hadron calorimetry!
- Alternative: separate the roles of a cheap dense material for shower development and a lighter material for signal measurement

Resolution in a sampling calorimeter



• To first order, energy loss is entirely within the absorber, with the active material counting the number of produced secondaries.



- ATLAS electromagnetic calorimeter is a sampling calorimeter with lead as the primary absorber and liquid argon as the active material
- For lead, $E_c = 7.8$ MeV, so a

1 GeV electron will produce an average of 128 secondaries. Each lead layer has a width of X0/3, resulting in three measurements of each final secondary

$$\sigma_{min} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{384}} = 5.1\%$$

Additional effects raise resolution to 10%

Tools for building a calorimeter



- Modern HEP detectors use electronics to collect and process data (e.g. triggering)
- Active materials
 - Noble liquids and silicon sensors allow direct collection of ionziation charge
 - Crystals, plastic and liquid scintillators produce light
 - Cerenkov radiation can also be used
- Light-handling tools
 - Phototransducers: conversion of visible and nearvisible light into electrical signals
 - Photon collection hardware

Silicon-based Calorimetry





- Charged particles passing through a silicon diode will produce electron/hole pairs which will be swept apart by the strong electric fields in the diode and can be collected to determine the fluence
 - Silicon/tungsten calorimeters were used extensively for luminosity measurements at LEP



Electric Field

Cherenkov Radiation







- Cherenkov radiation is produced when a charged particle passes through a medium at faster than the local speed of light
 - Used as a particle identification technique comparing *v* and *p* to determine *m*
- For calorimetry, generally only electrons are relevant.
 - For quartz (n=1.485), minimum KE = 0.1 MeV, minimum KE = 220 MeV
 - Cerenkov calorimeters count the path length of high-energy electrons in showers : very non-linear response for hadrons

High Voltage Devices







Photomultiplier Tube Internal gain 10⁴-10⁷, very sensitive

to magnetic fields, requires O(1kV) power supply, small sensitivity to radiation, moderate PDE (<50%)





Vacuum phototriode

Internal gain 5-15, can operate in magnetic field parallel to device body, requires O(1kV) power supply, PDE <20%

Silicon Phototransducers





PIN diode No internal gain, robust to magnetic fields, moderate sensitivity to radiation, PDE up to 90%+



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Hybrid Device: HPD









HPD

Internal gain ~2000, can be operated in magnetic fields parallel to electric field Requires O(8000V) over gap of ~4 mm (2 MV/m)

Light-Handling Tools



- Light in scintillators is produced isotropically, which makes it hard to concentrate onto the (expensive) area of a photodetector
 - Lagrange invarient: $A_1 \Omega_1 = A_2 \Omega_2$
- Elegant light-guide designs have been produced over the years to transfer the maximum surface area from a scintillator plane to a phototube



Cheating Lagrange



- Particularly for hermetic colliders detectors, light guides and phototubes are problematic
- If the wavelength of the light is increased (energy is lost), the Lagrange invarient does not apply
- Use of wavelength-shifting systems (particularly "WLS" fibers) is widespread in collider detector design and can allow extreme compression of photodetector area
 - With significant, but uniform, loss of light



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 - Lots of Important Results but Few Explanations, Free!

Tomorrow...



 Tomorrow we are going to bring these elements together to talk about existing and planned calorimeters for LHC and HL-LHC

• Some new issues which we'll touch on:

- Pileup and event spacing
- Radiation damage