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# EGS code and reaction between electrons and photons

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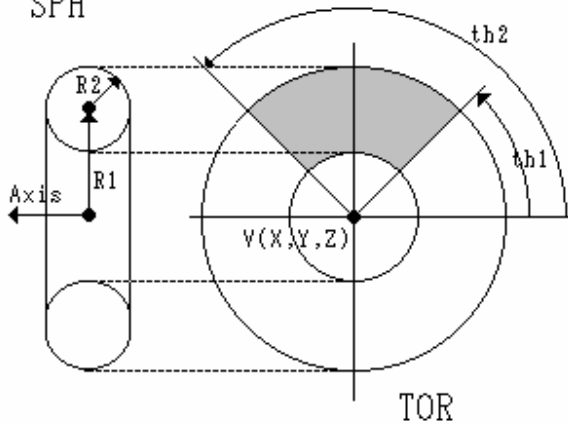
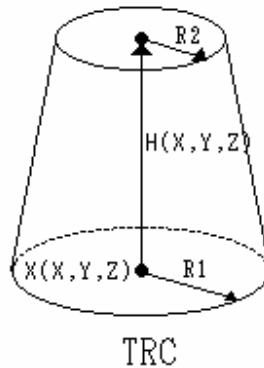
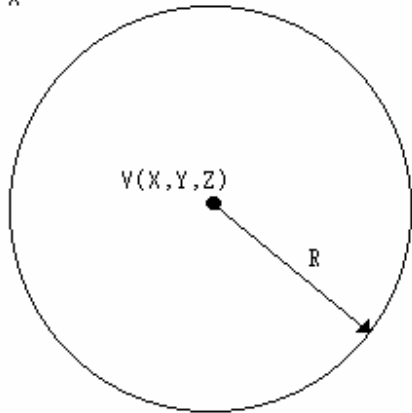
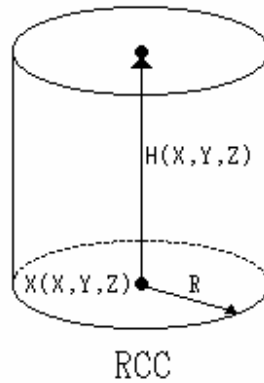
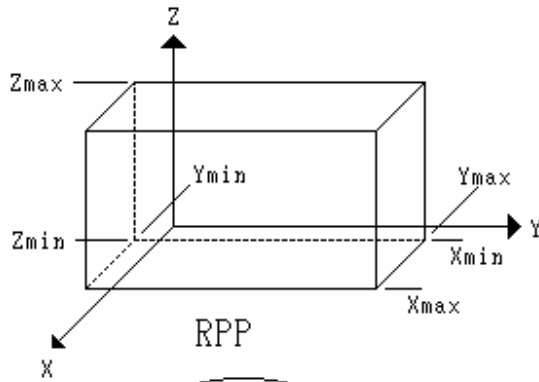
# History of EGS system

Period	Program	Language	Authors
1963~1965	SHOWER1	Fortran	Nagel
1966	SHOWER2	Fortran	Nicoli
1967~1972	SHOWER3/PREPRO	Fortran	Ryder, Talwar, Nelson
1970~1972	SHOWER4/SHINP	Fortran	Ford
1974	EGS1/PEGS1	Fortran	Ford, Nelson
1975	EGS2/PEGS2	Mortran 2	Ford, Nelson
1976~1977	EGS3/PEGS3(SLAC-210)	Mortran 2	Ford, Nelson
1982~1985	EGS4/PEGS4(SLAC-265)	Mortran 3	Nelson, Hirayama, Rogers
2006	EGS5(SLAC-R-730 and KEK Report 2005-8)	Fortran	Hirayama, Namito, Bielajew, Wilderman and Nelson

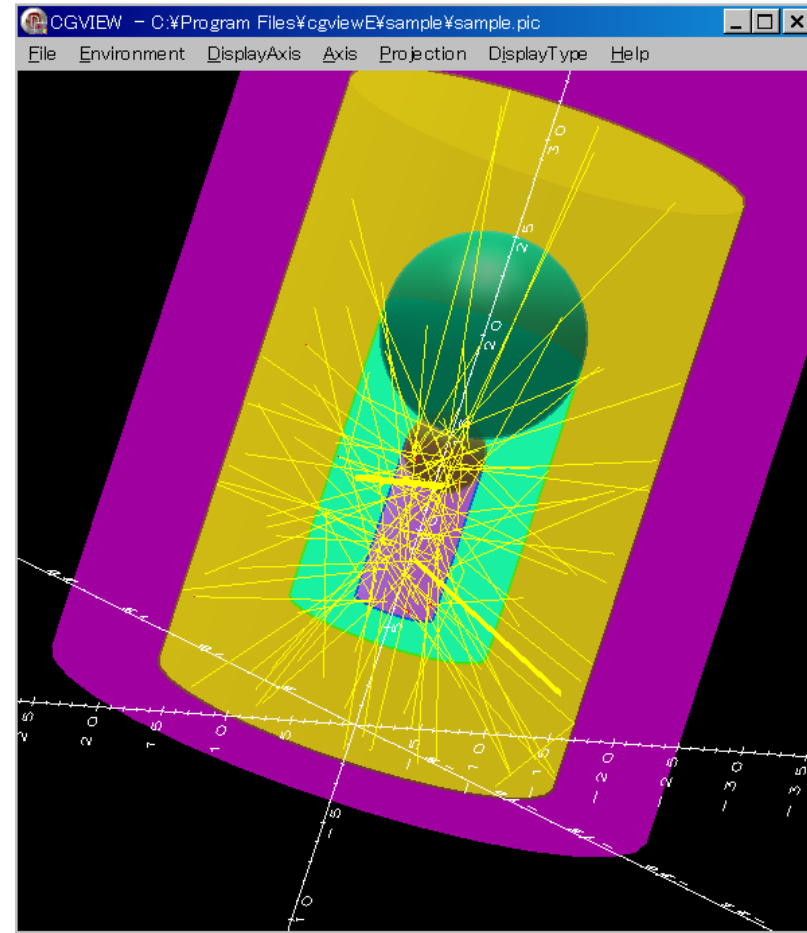
# About EGS

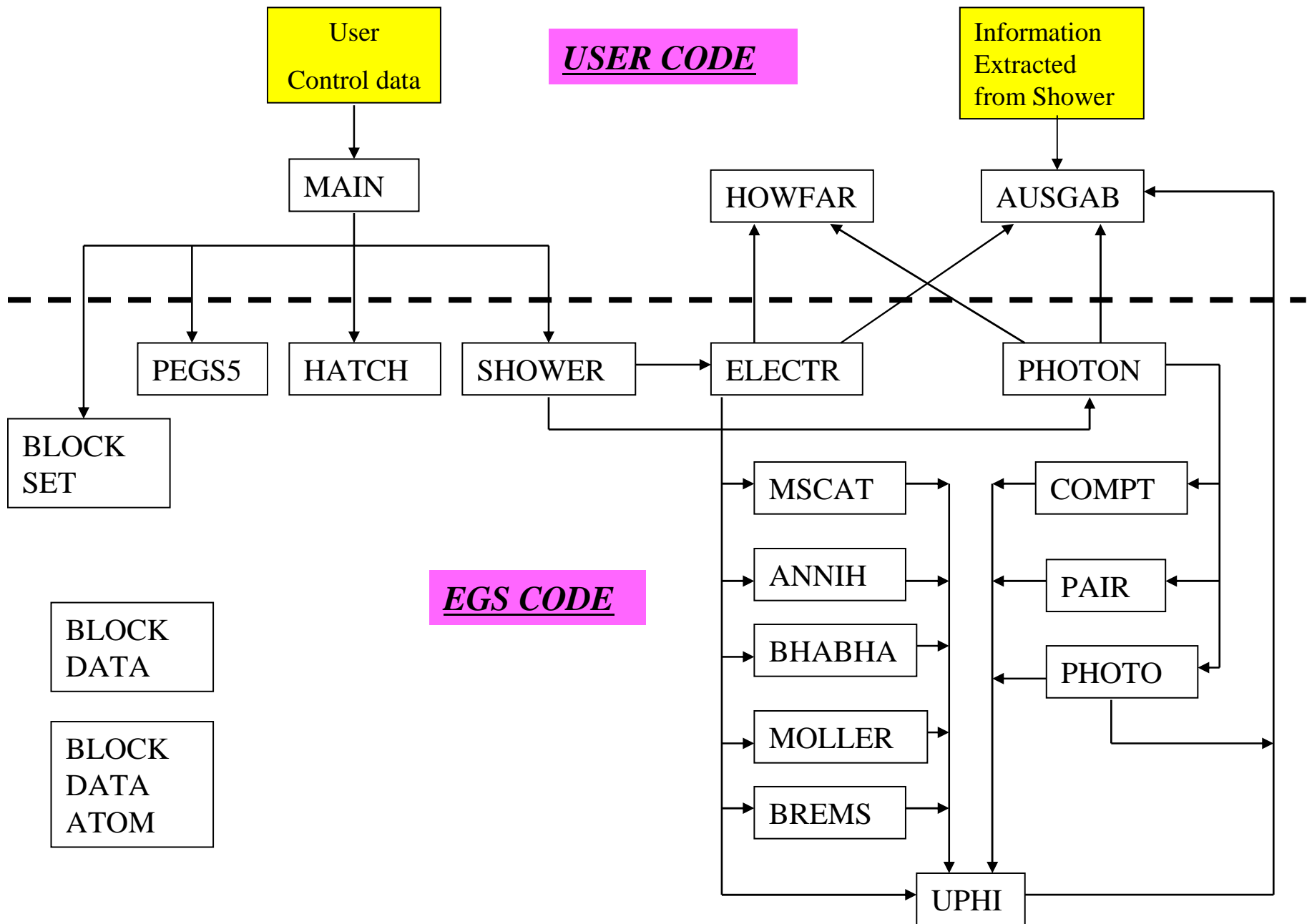
- Monte Carlo particle transport simulation code.
- Interaction of electron and photon with matter.
- Energy range:  $10^3\text{eV}$  -  $10^{12}\text{eV}$ .
- EGS5: Released in 2006. Authors: Hirayama, Namito, Bielajew, Wilderman, and Nelson.
- Runs on Linux, Cygwin and Windows-PC.
- Combinatorial geometry is available.
  - Geometry check program (CGVIEW) is available.
  - Separation of geometry and other preparation.
- Transport in EM field.

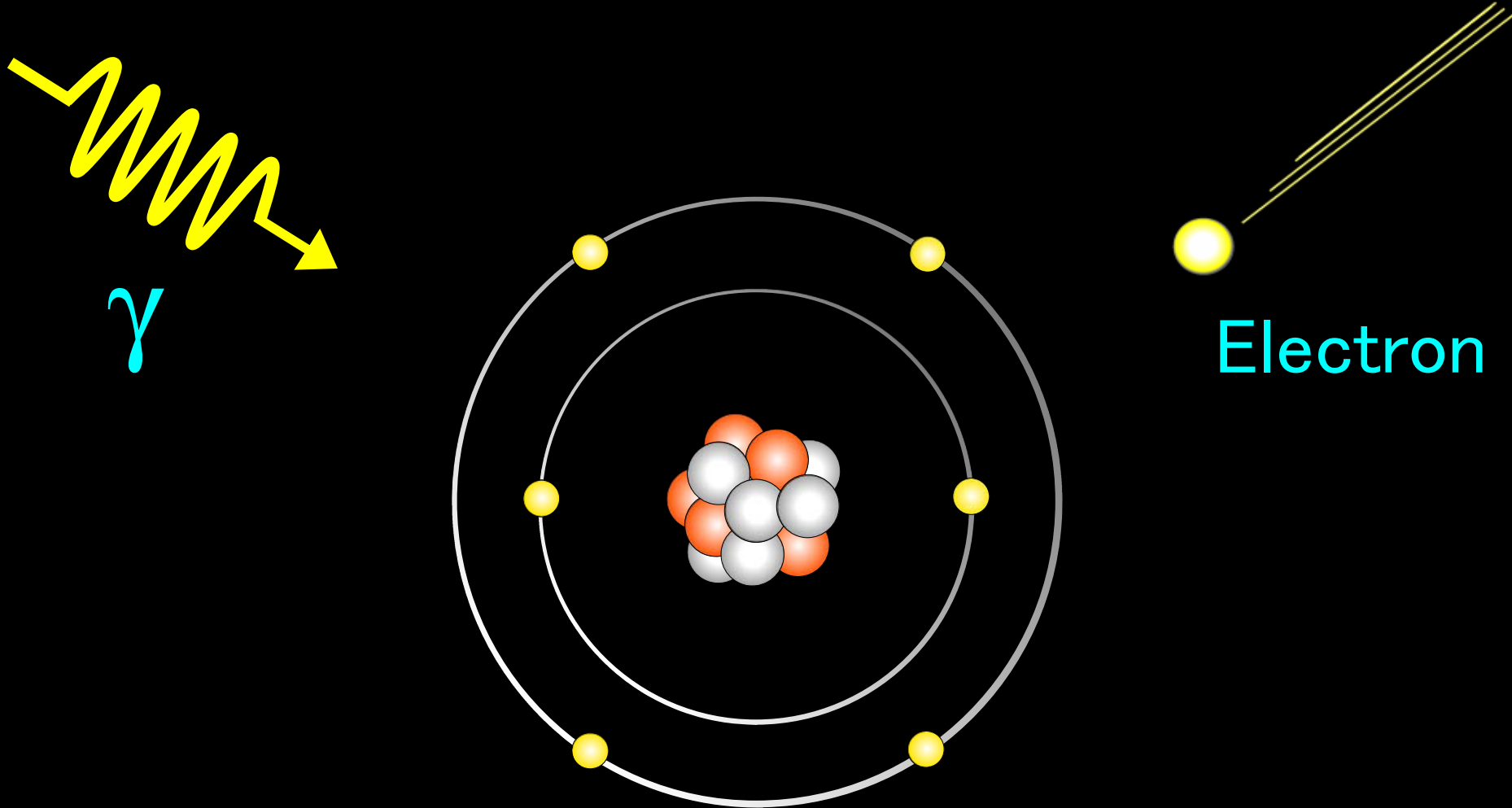
# Combinatorial Geometry CG



1. Specify BODY using parameters.
2. Specify ZONE by operation (AND, OR, OUTSIDE) of bodies.
3. Specify material for ZONE



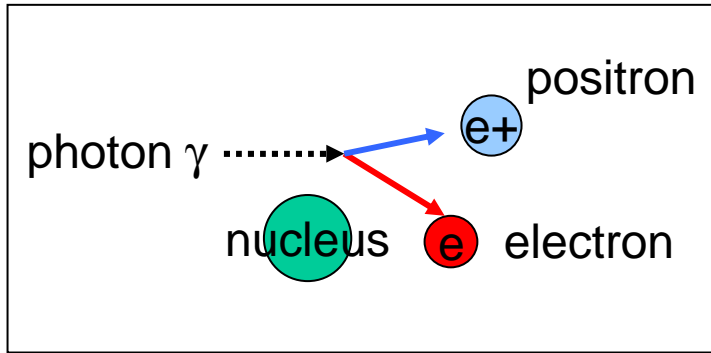




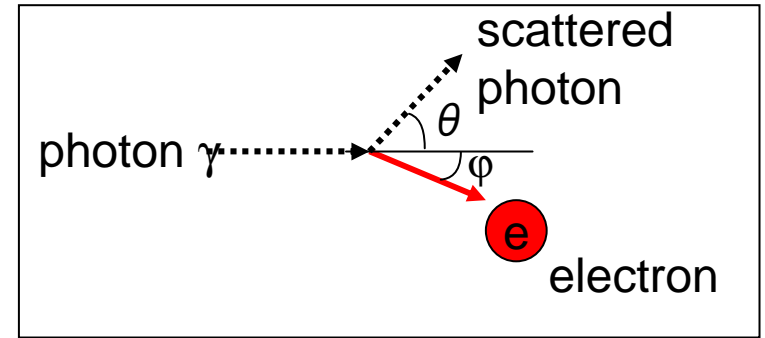
What is interact with photon and electron ?  
Whole One Atom? Electron? Nucleus?

# Photon Monte Carlo Simulation

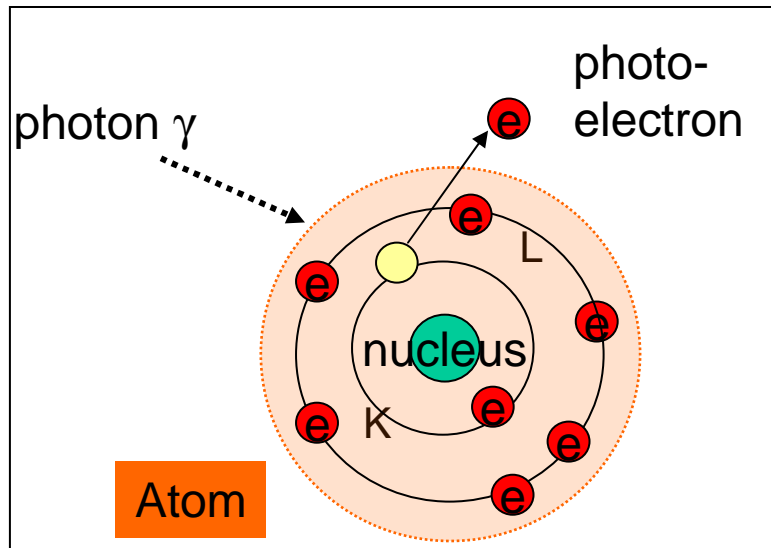
# Photon Interaction with Matter



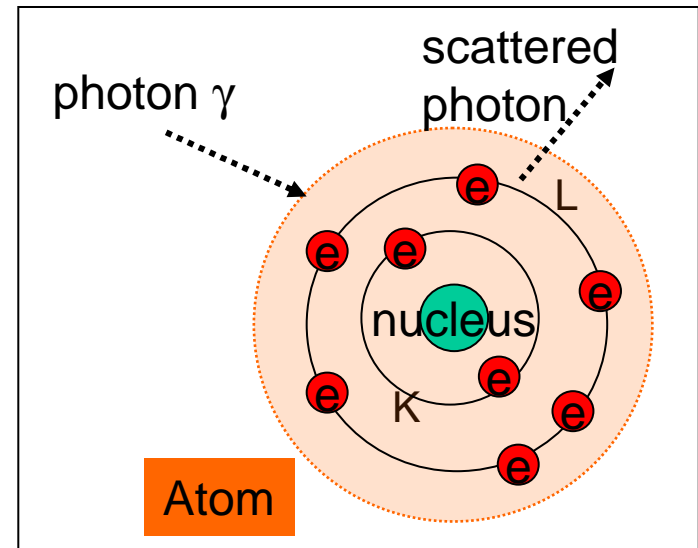
Pair Production



Compton scattering



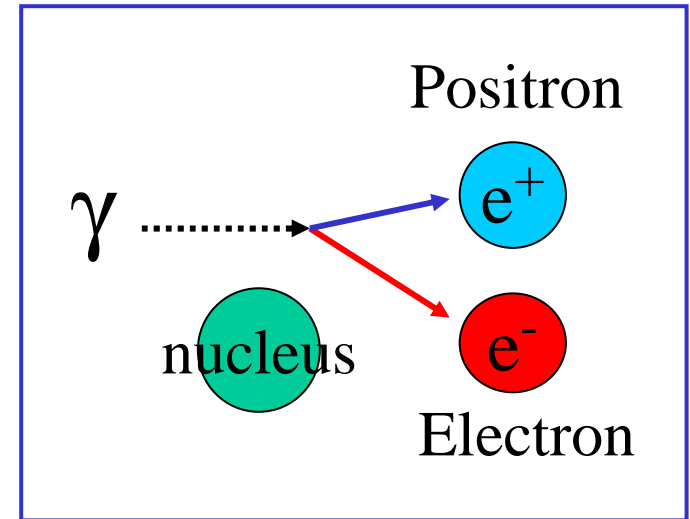
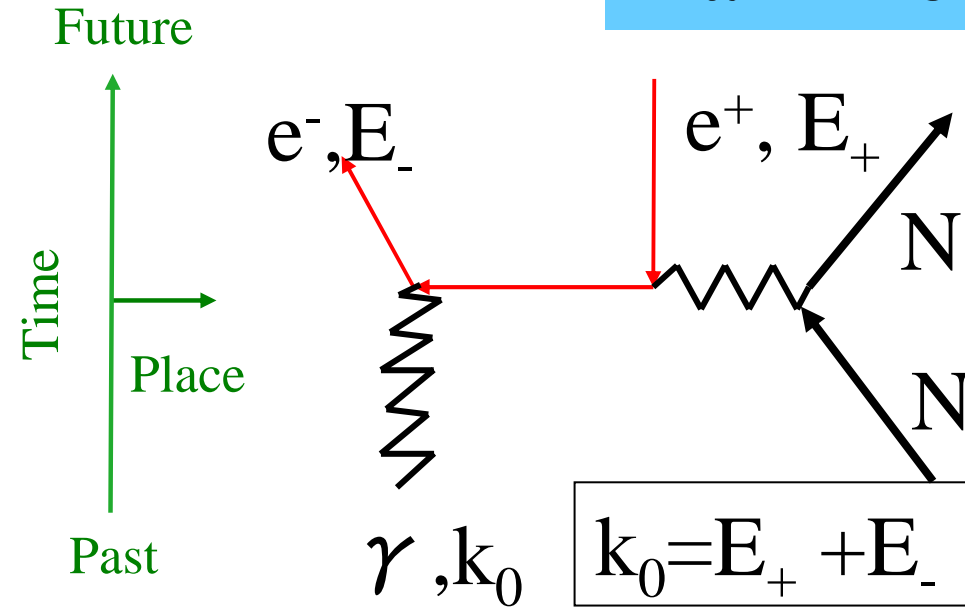
Photoelectric effect



Rayleigh scattering



# Pair Production



Feynman diagram

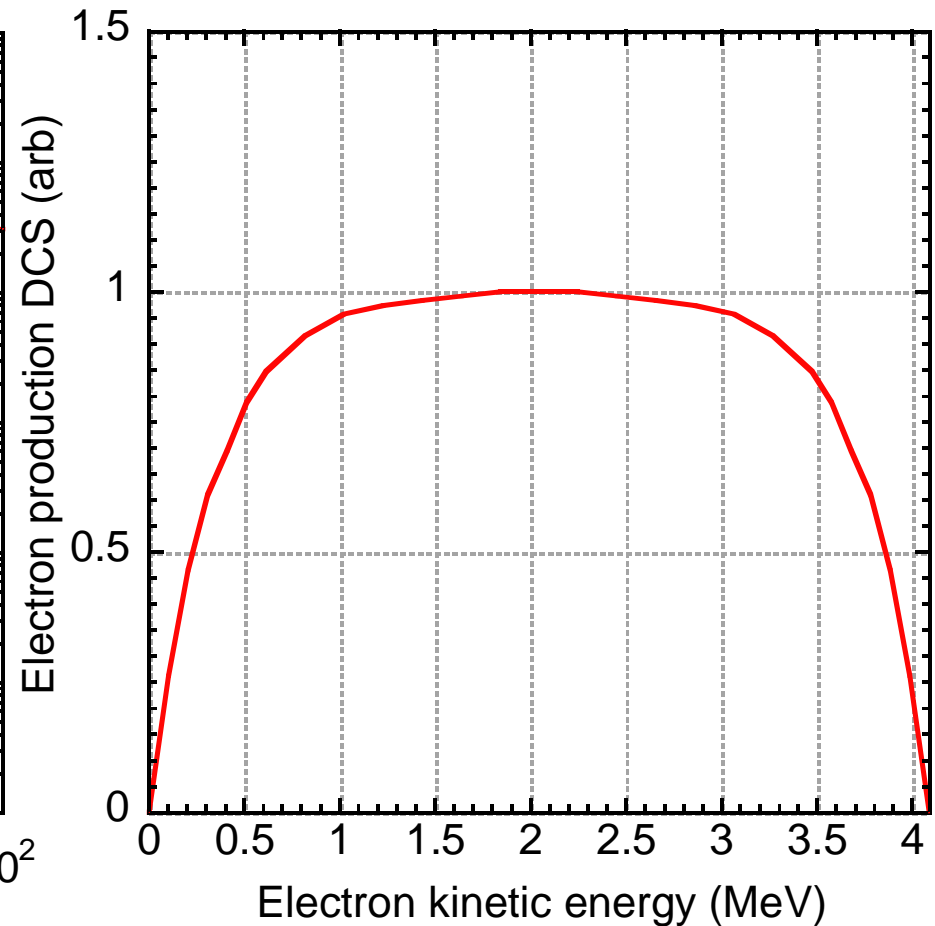
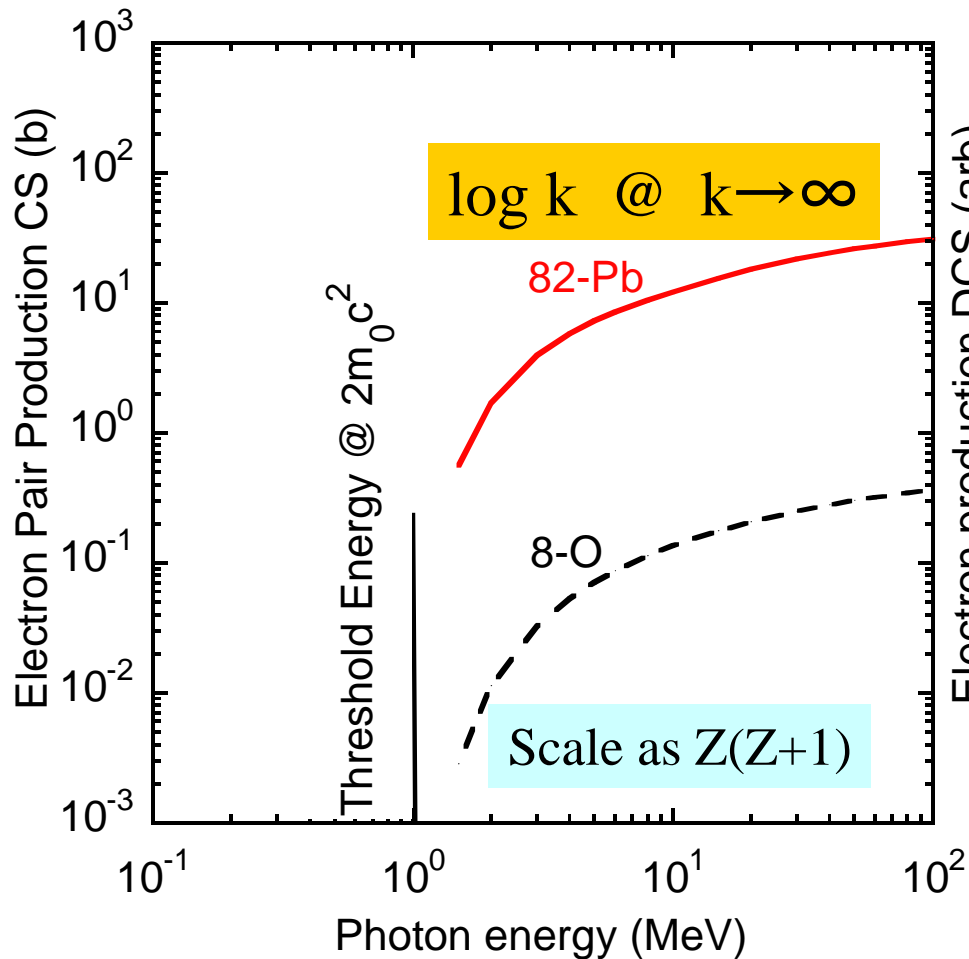
sketch

- Interact in the field of a nucleus
- Annihilate and produce  $e^+ - e^-$  pair
- triplet distribution ignored,
- incl. in total  $\sigma_{\text{pair}}$
- PHOTX CS
- default  $\theta = m_0 c^2 / k_0$
- Realistic angle. dist.: optional

# Pair Production (Cont')

Electron-positron pair production cross section

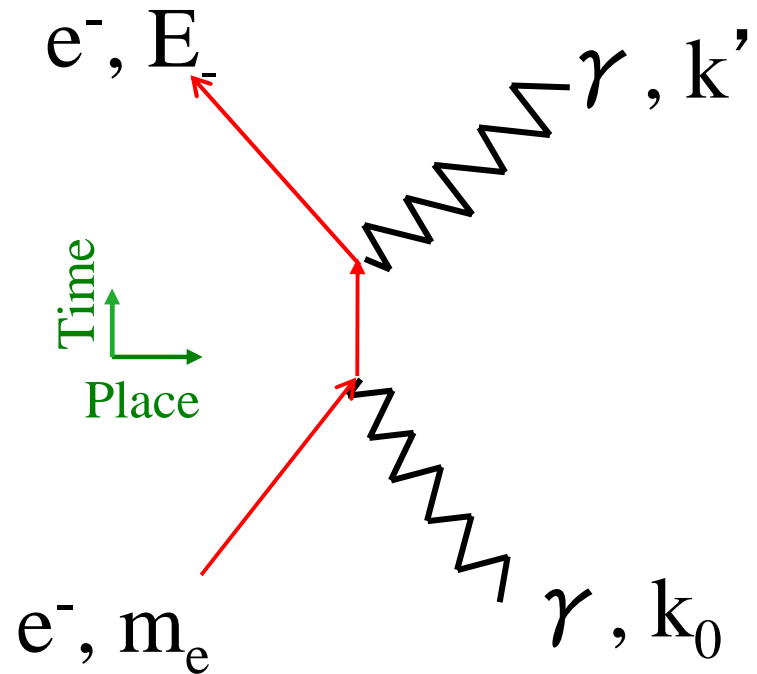
Electron energy dist of Pair Production for 5.11 MeV  $\gamma$



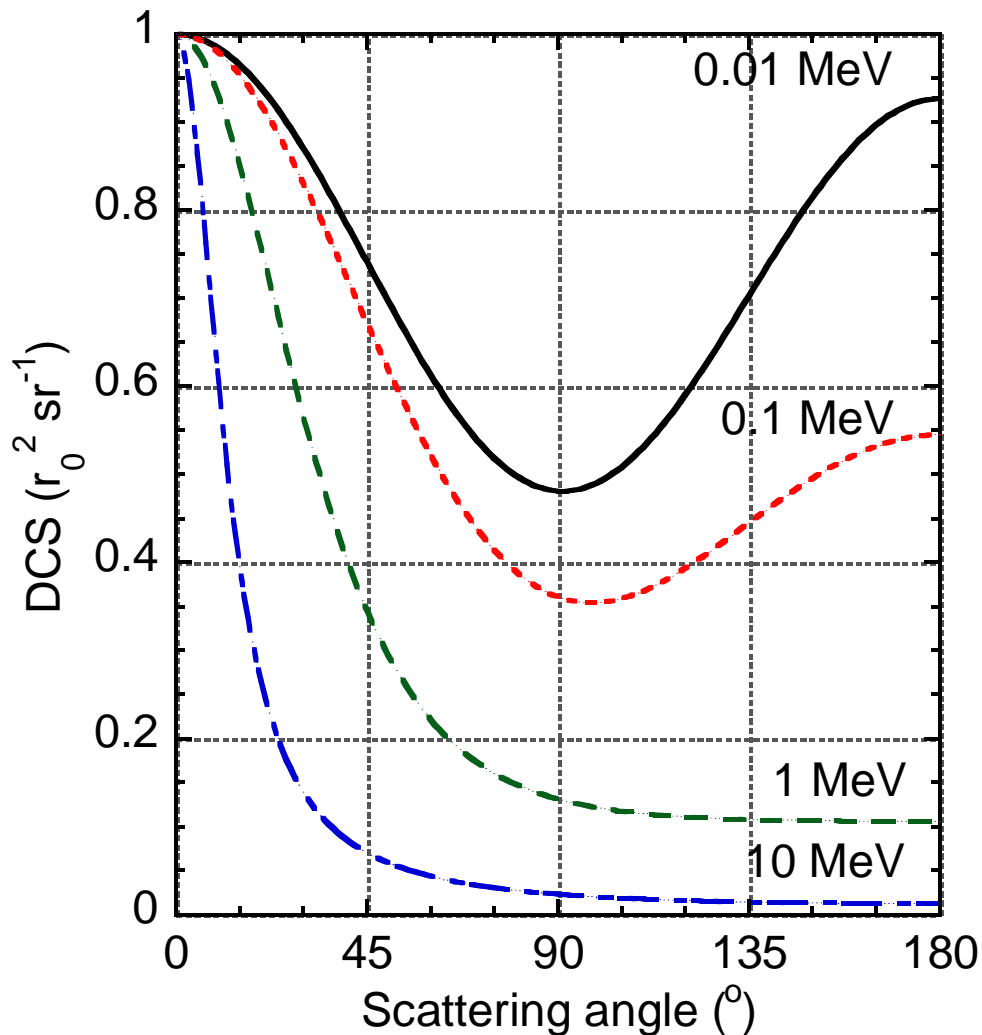
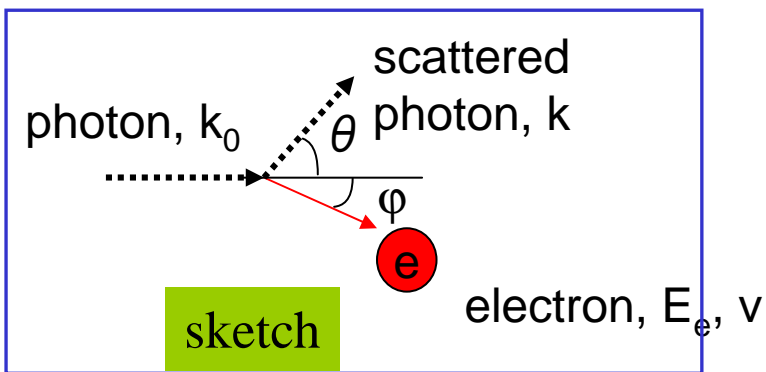
# Compton scattering

$$\mathbf{k}_0 + m_e = \mathbf{k}' + E_-$$

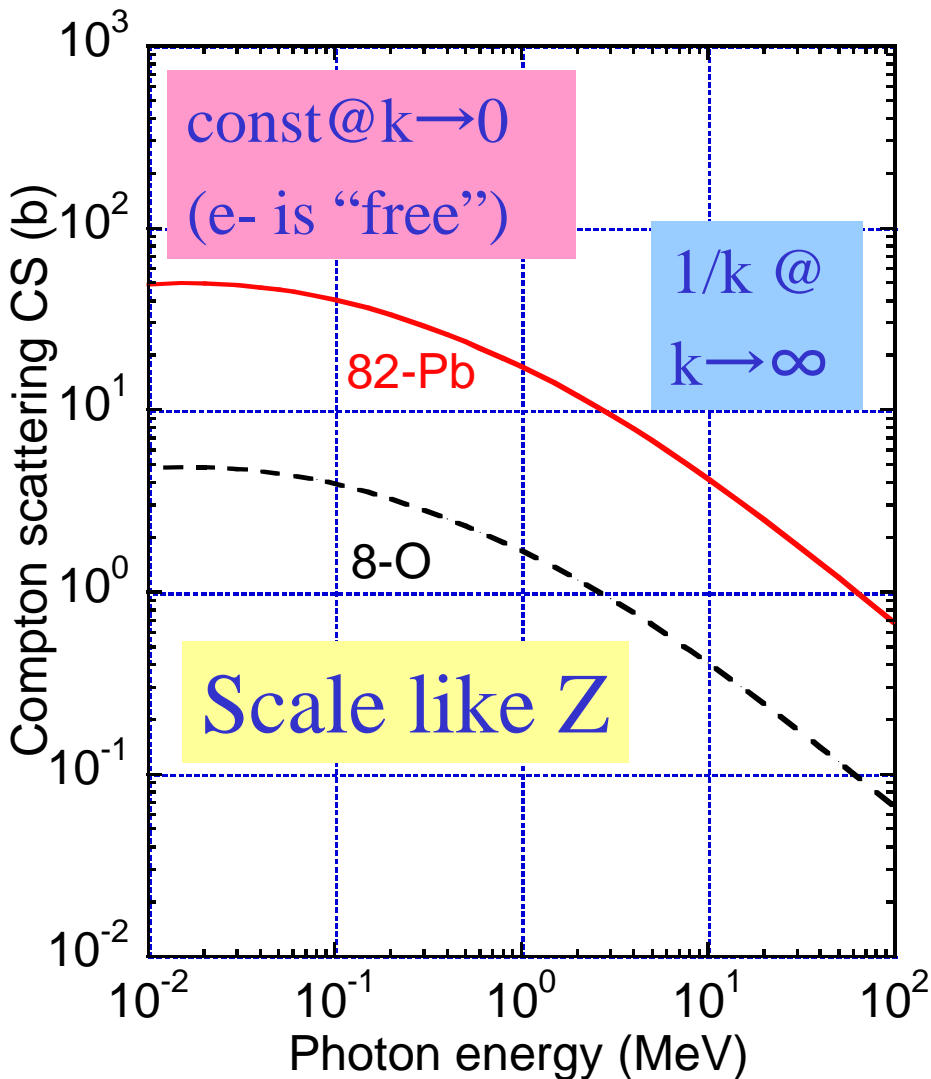
Klein- Nishina  $d\sigma$



Feynman diagram



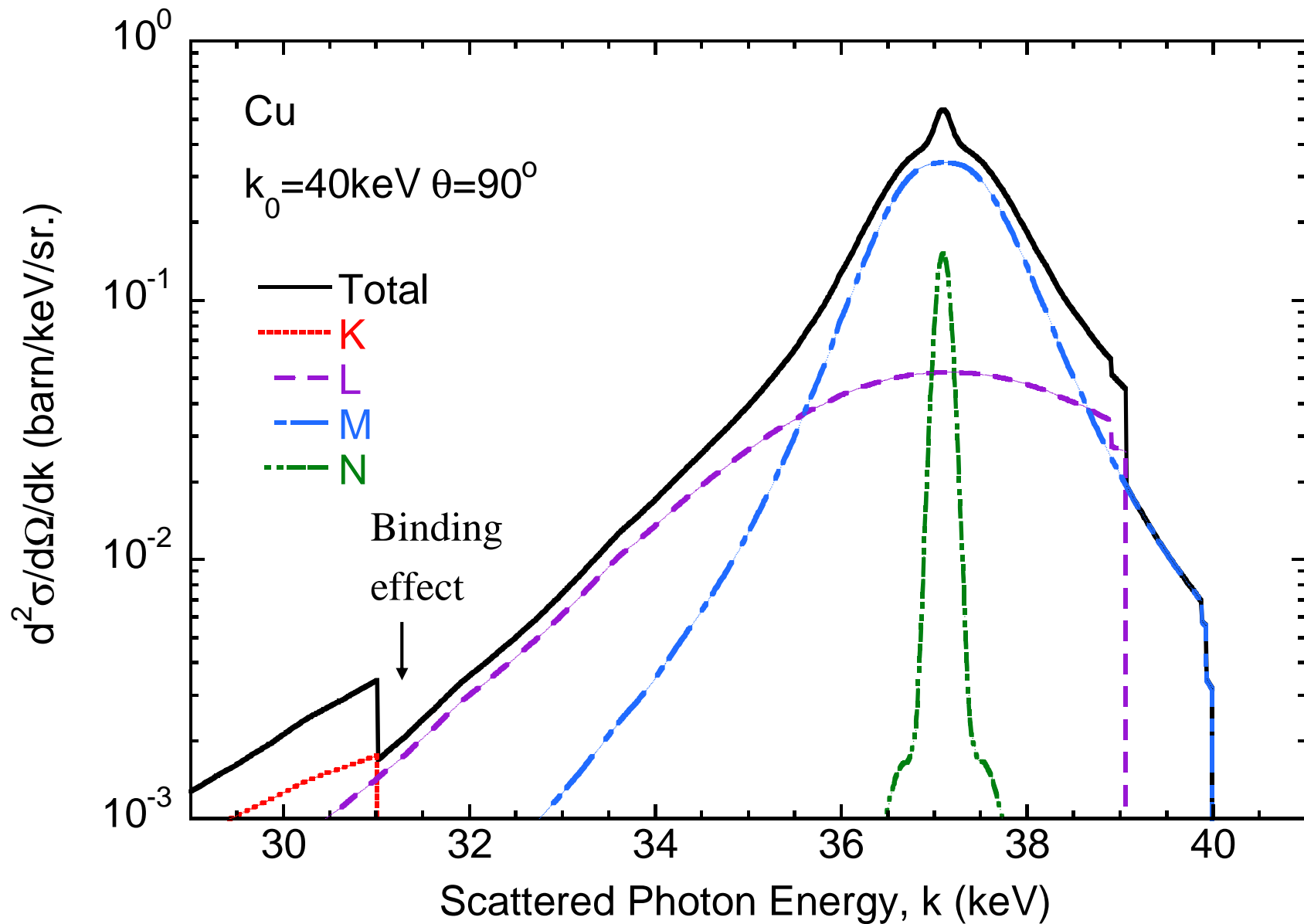
# Compton scattering (Cont')



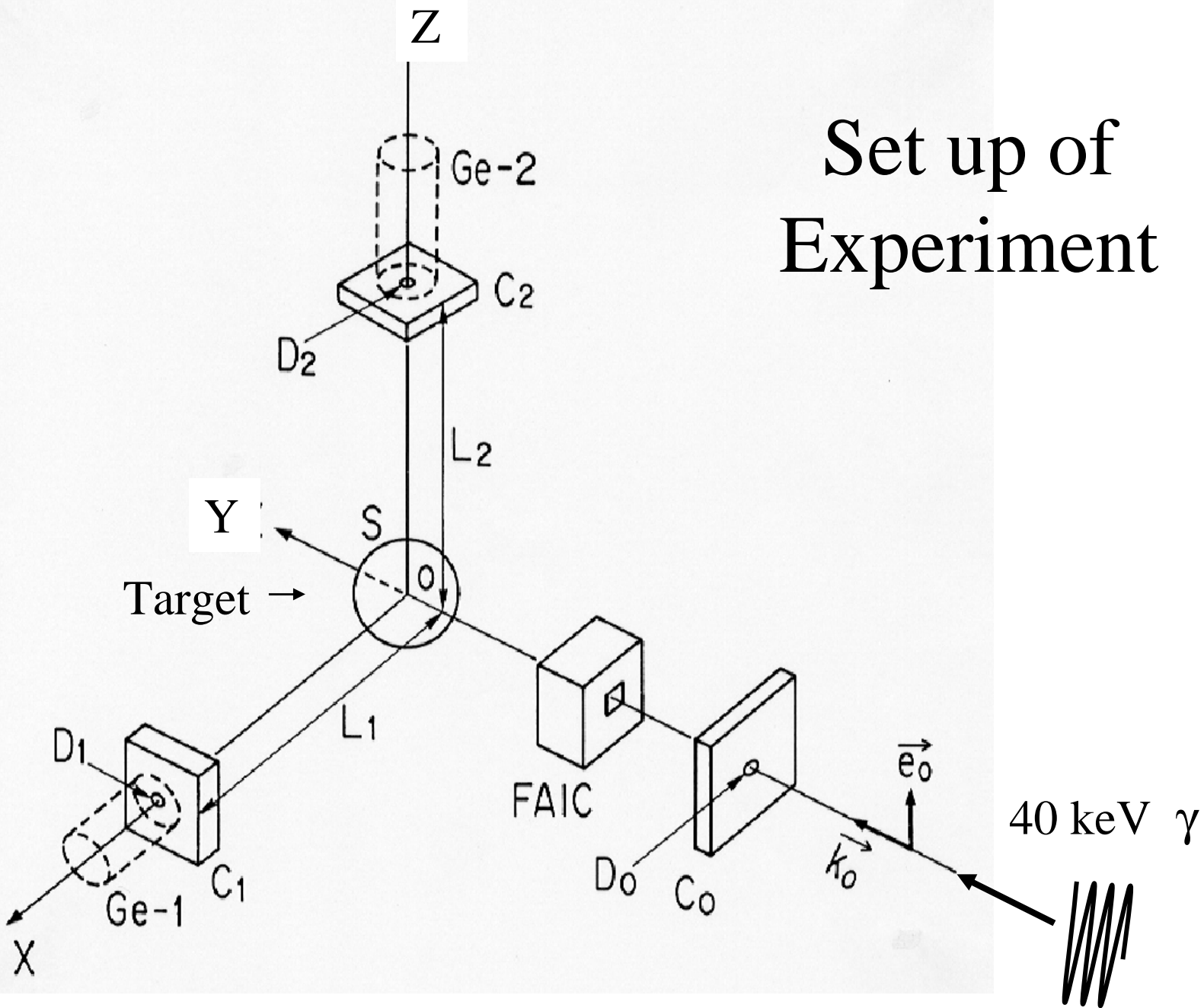
## Optional treatment in egs5

- Binding effect (0 @  $k \rightarrow 0$ )
- Doppler Broadening
  - e<sup>-</sup> pre-collision motion
- Linearly polarized photon scattering

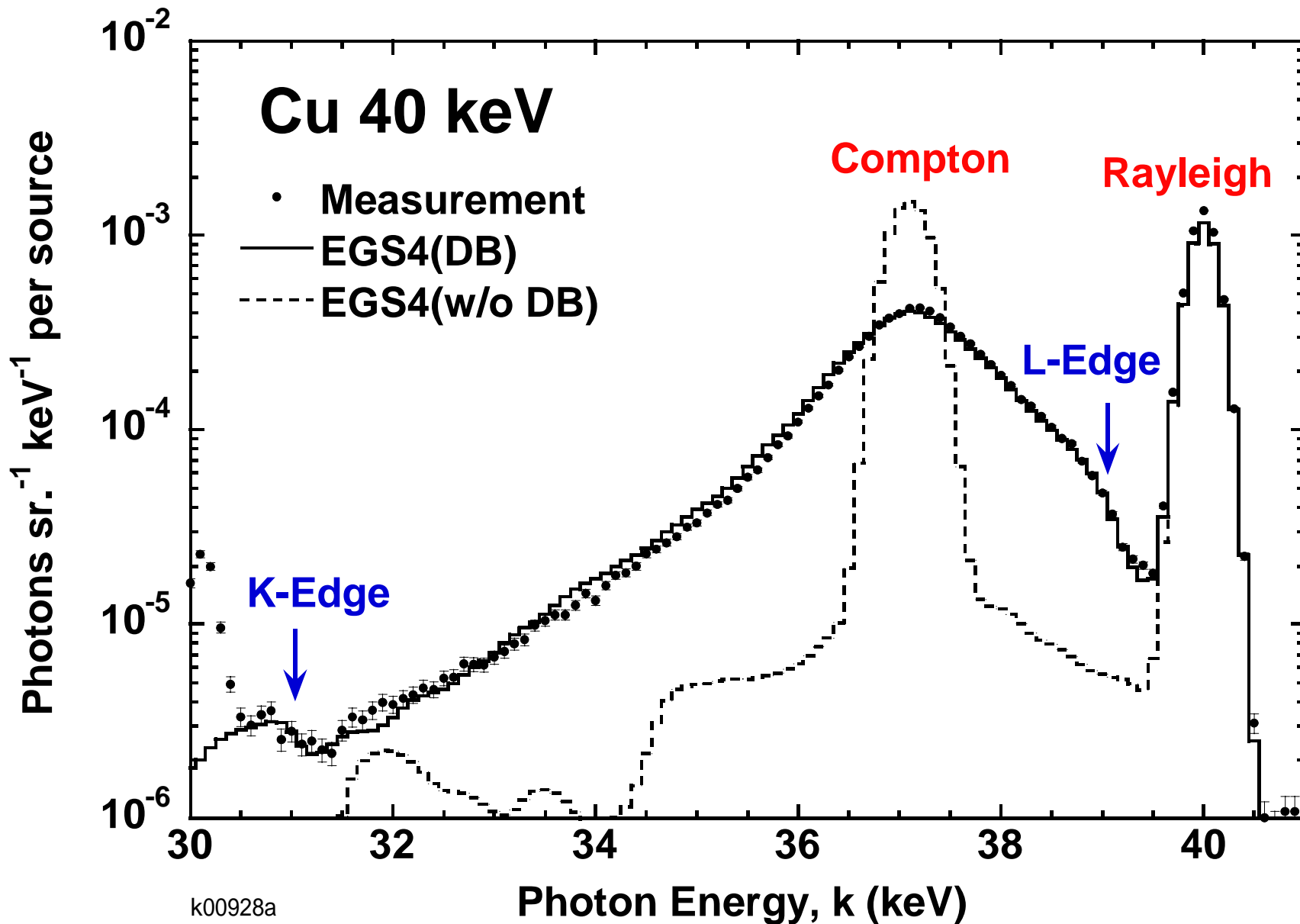
# Double Differential Compton Cross Section



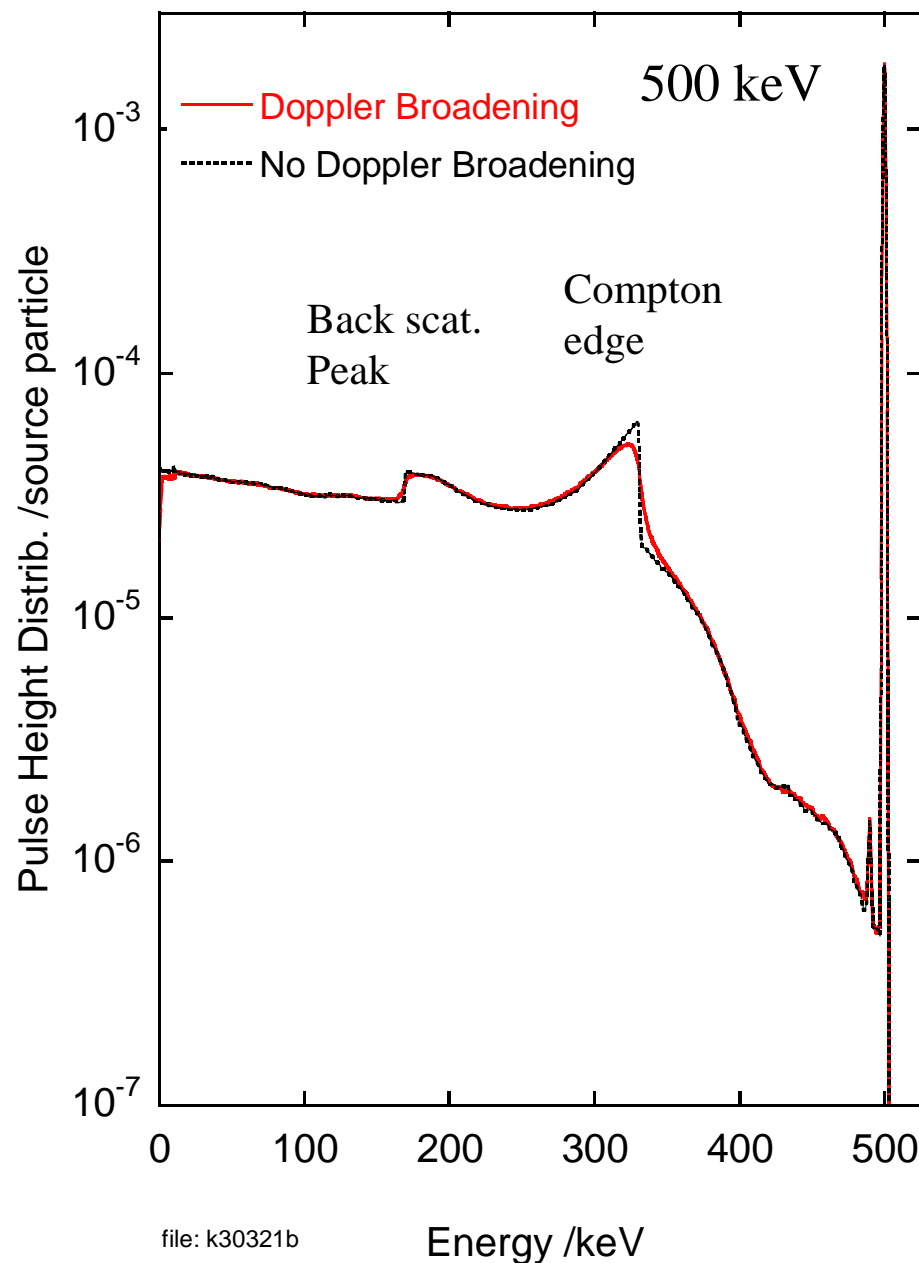
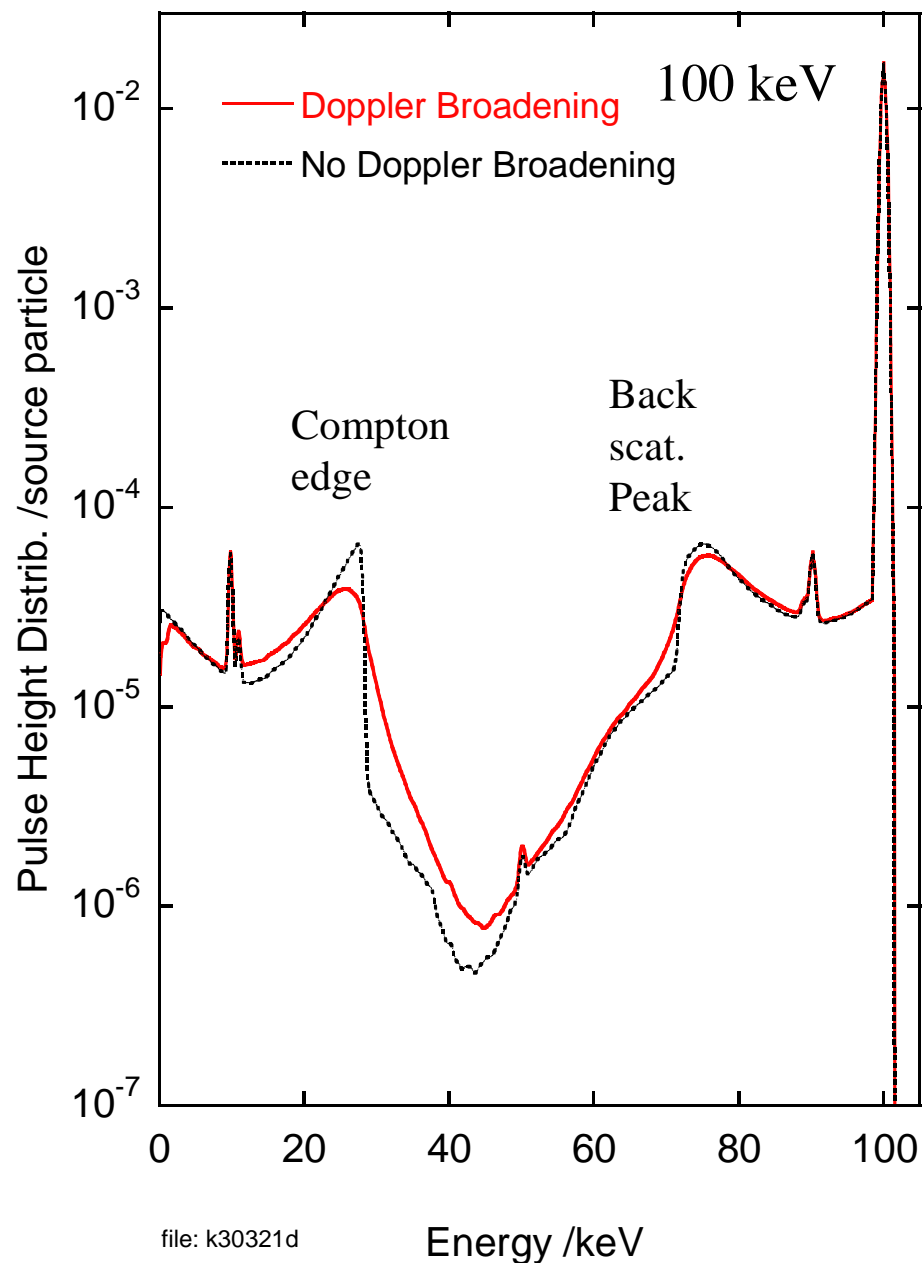
# Set up of Experiment



# Cu, 40 keV (EGS4+LP+DB=EGS5)

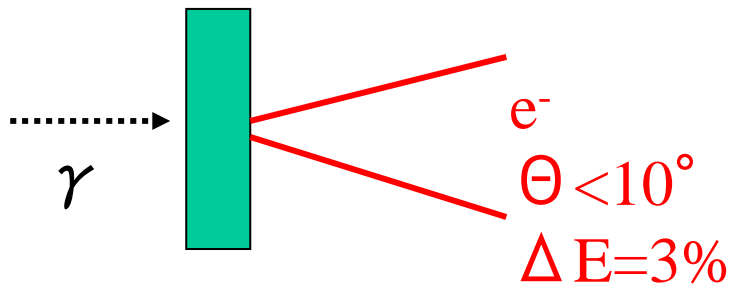


# Effect of Doppler to Ge detector response

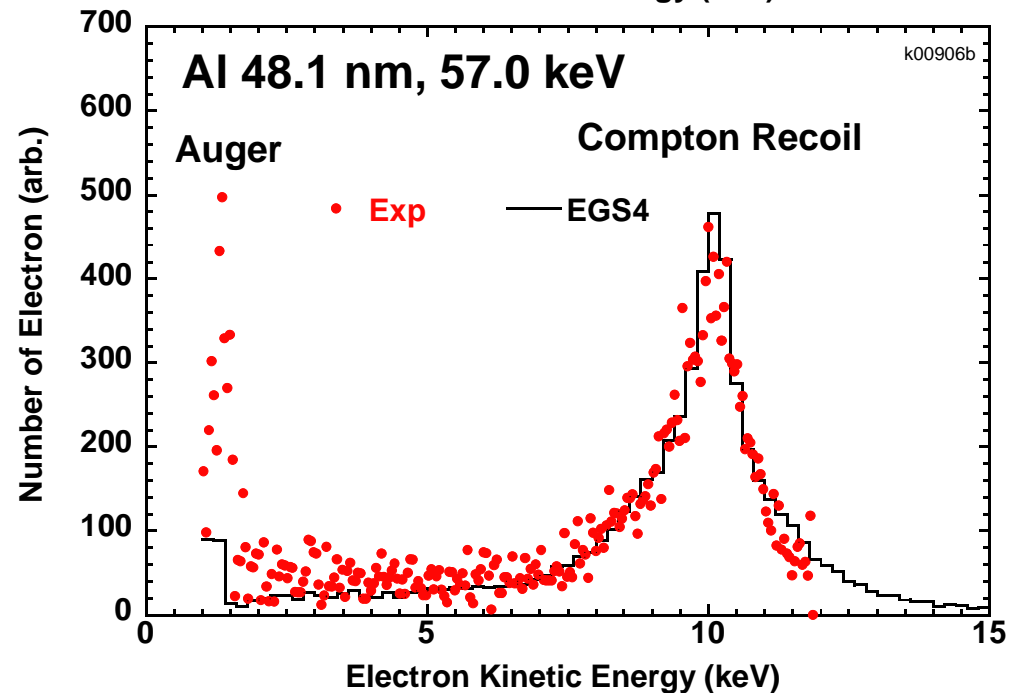
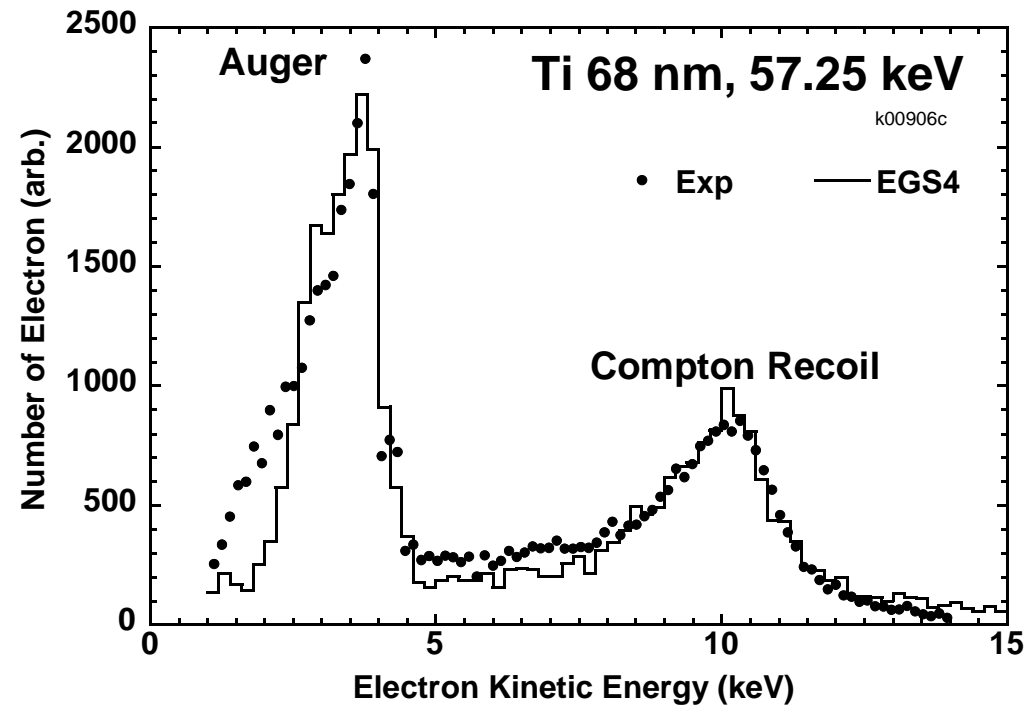




# Example of Compton and Auger electron spectrum



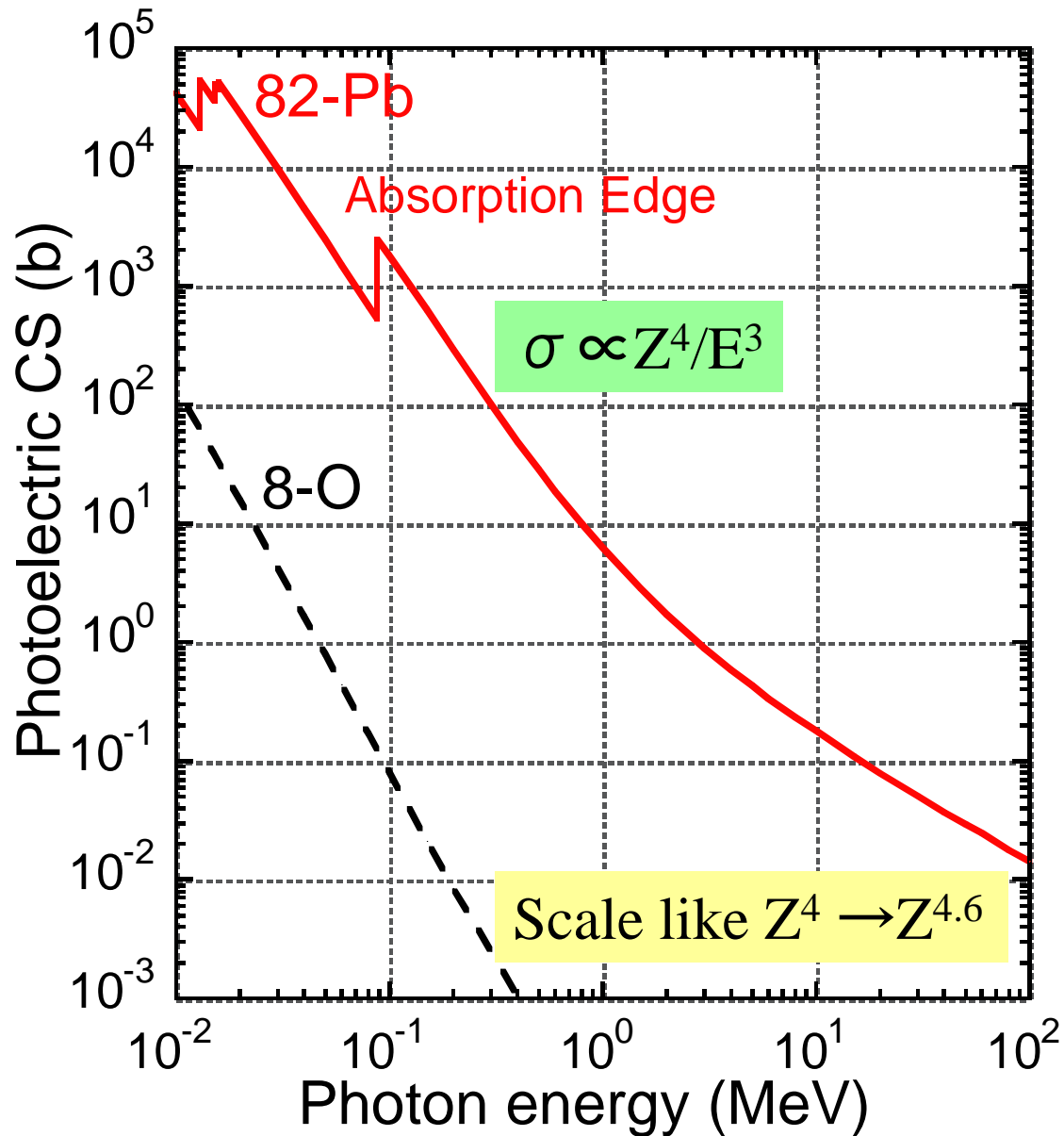
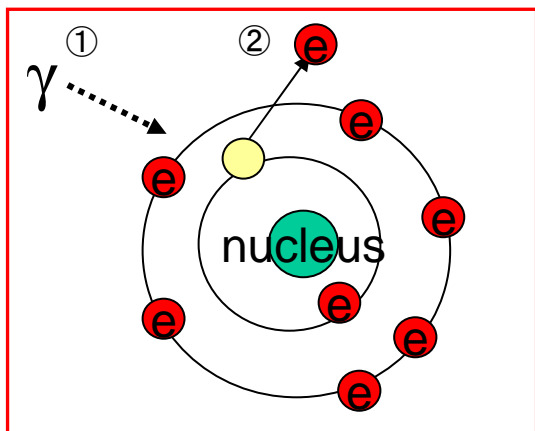
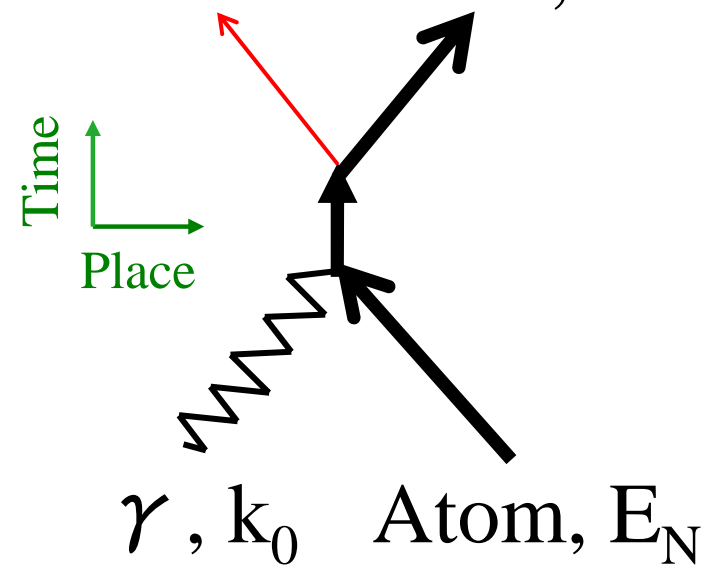
Guadala, Land & Price's exp



# Photoelectric effect

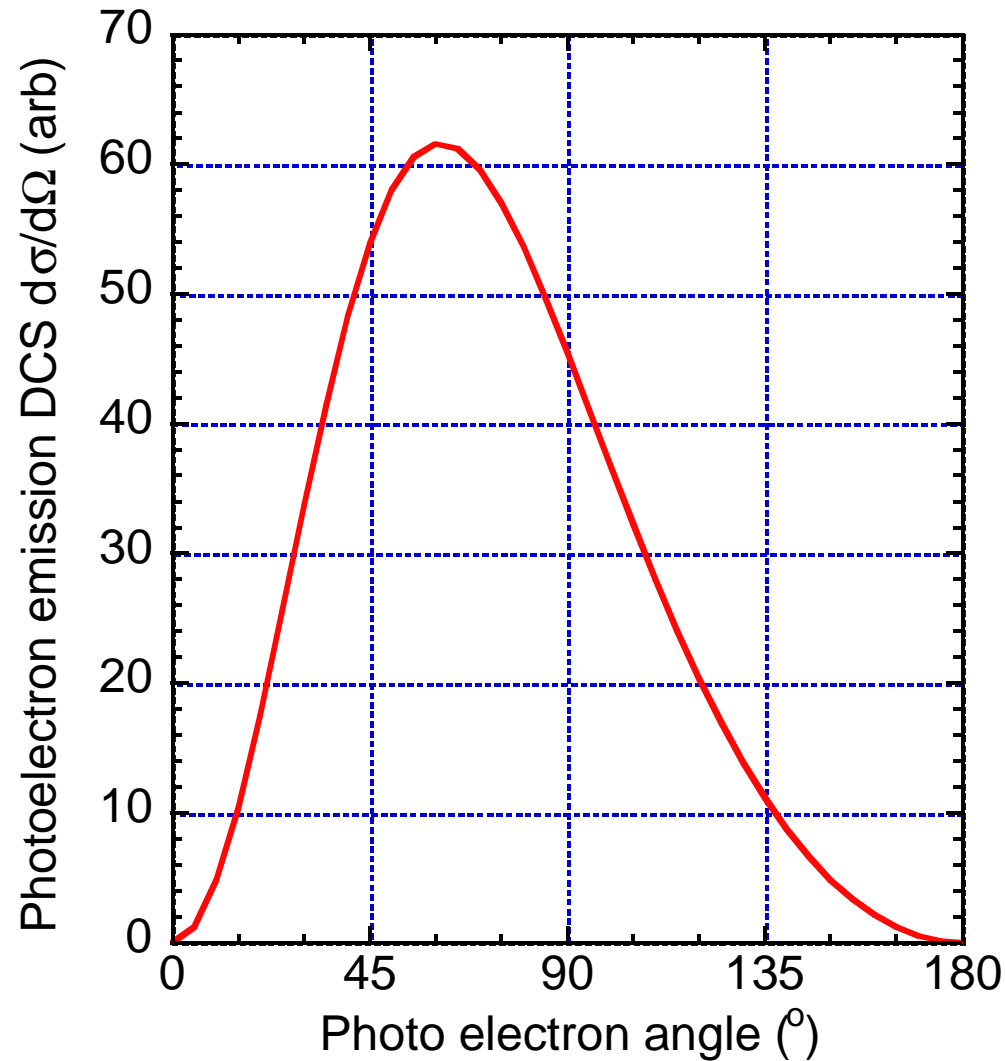
$$k_0 + E_N = E_- + E_N^*$$

$e^-, E_-$      $\text{Atom}^*, E_N^*$



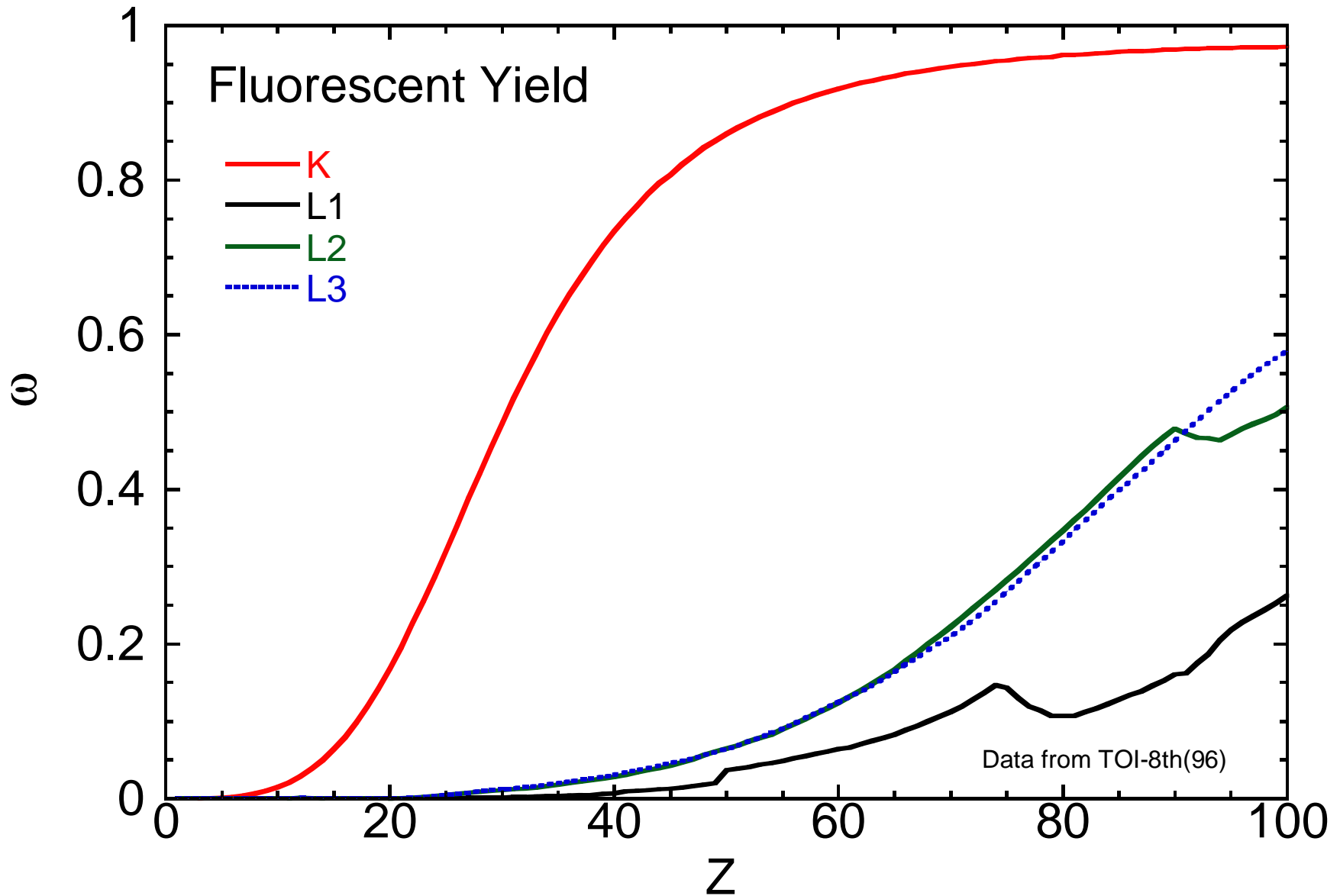
# Photoelectric effect (Cont')

$\theta=0!$  (Realistic dist. optional)



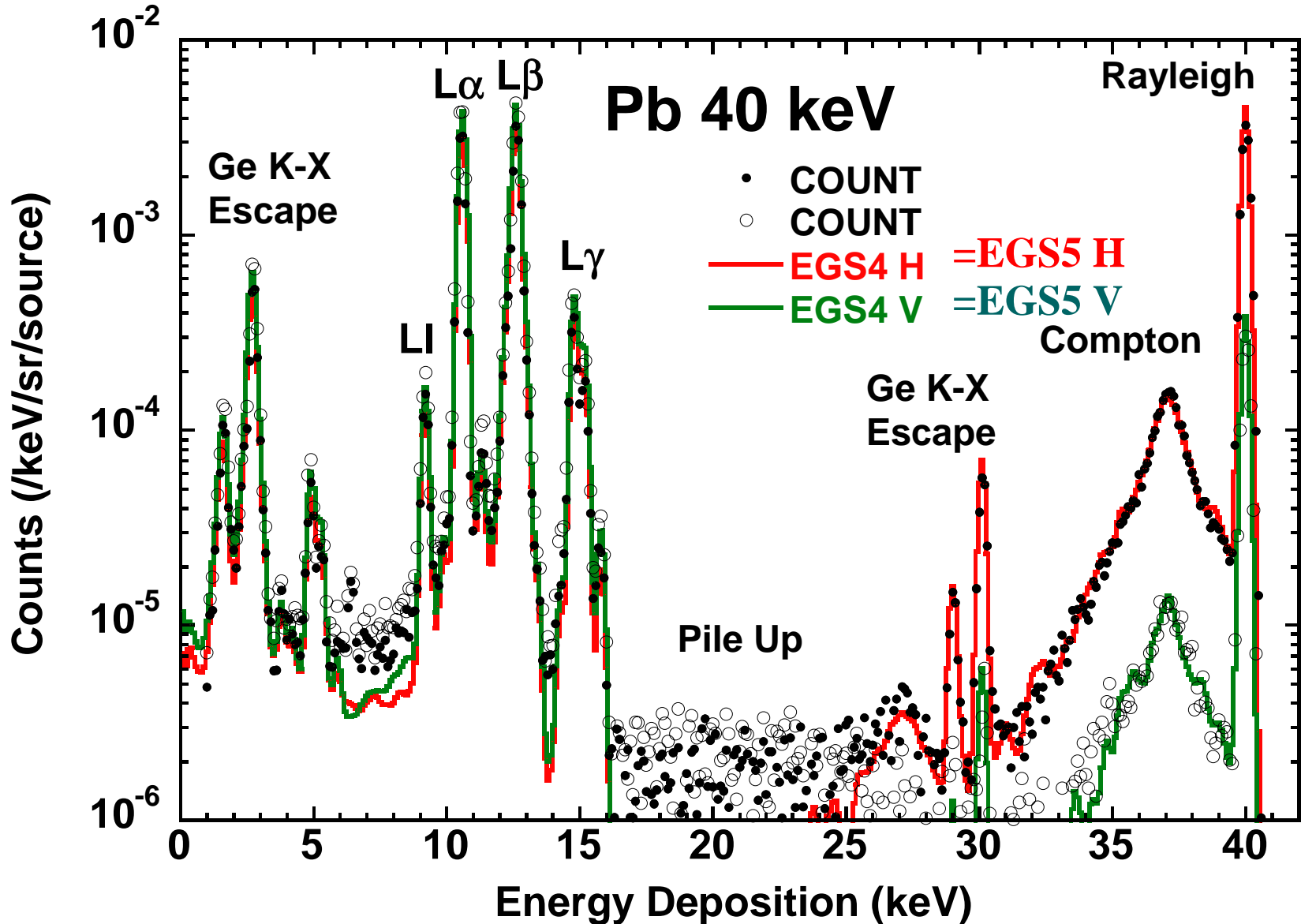
# Relaxation of atom (option in egs5)

- Fluorescent X ray and Auger electron from K and L shell



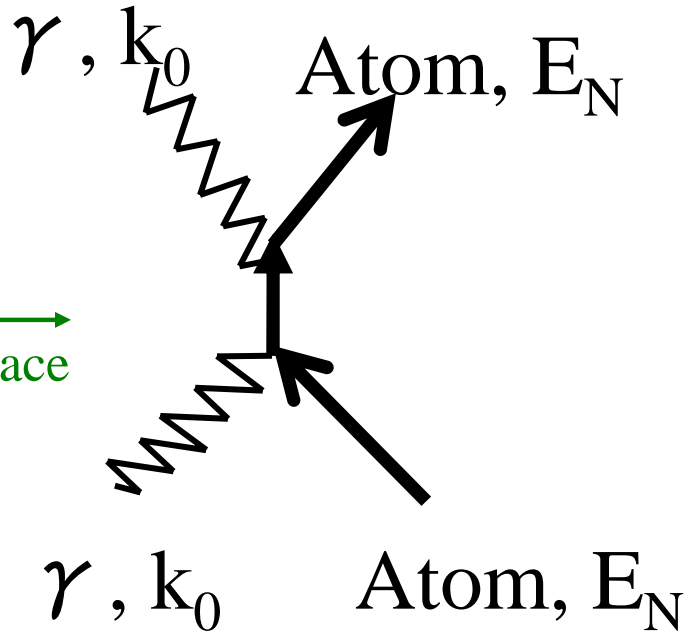
# Photon spectrum from Pb target

EGS4 (General Treatment of PE) = EGS5

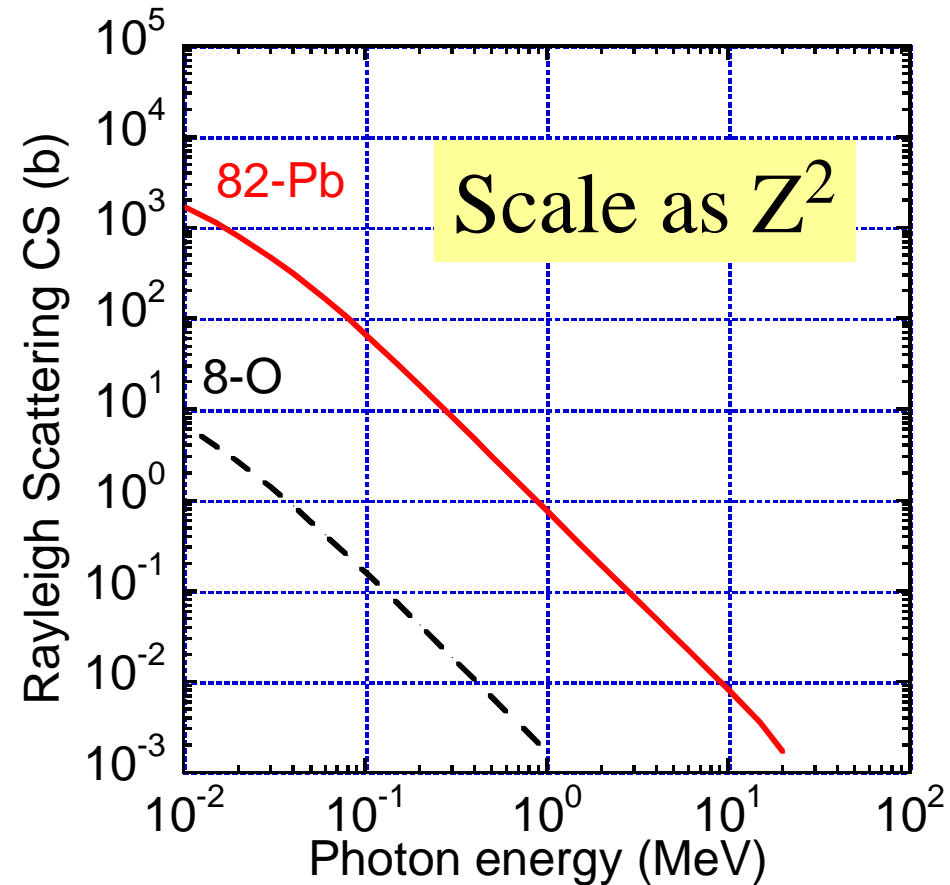
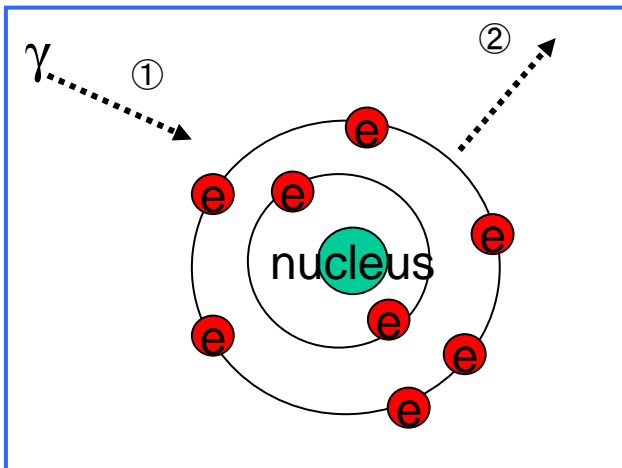


# Rayleigh Scattering

$$k_0 + E_N = k_0 + E_N$$



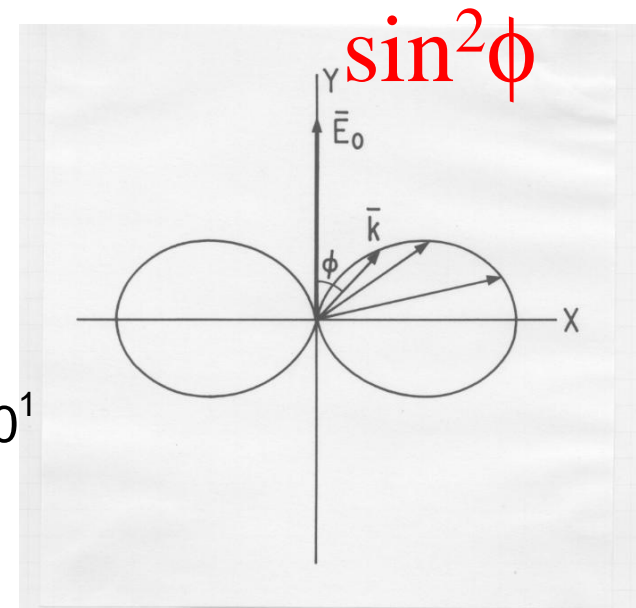
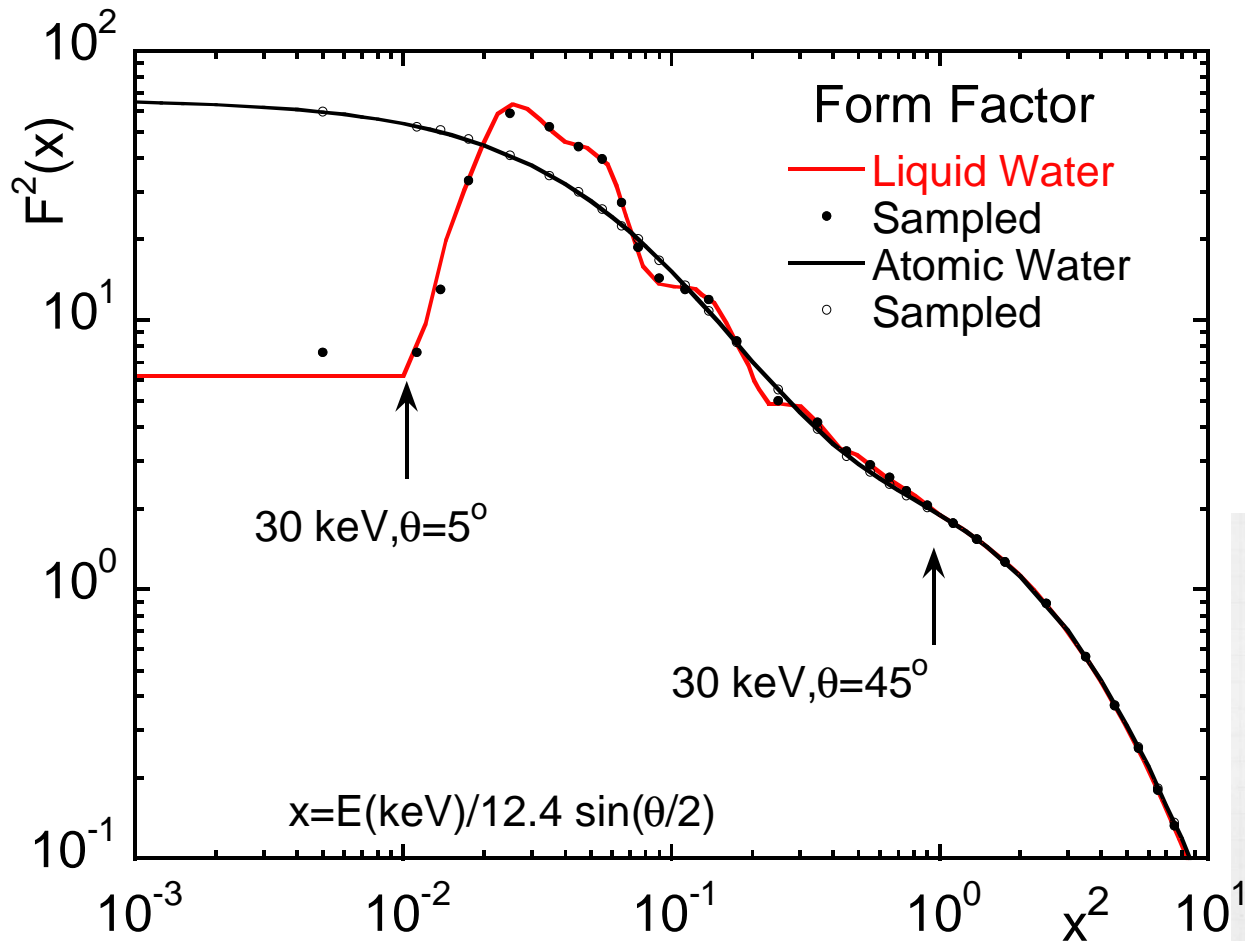
- elastic process
- independent atom approx.



# Rayleigh Scattering (Cont')

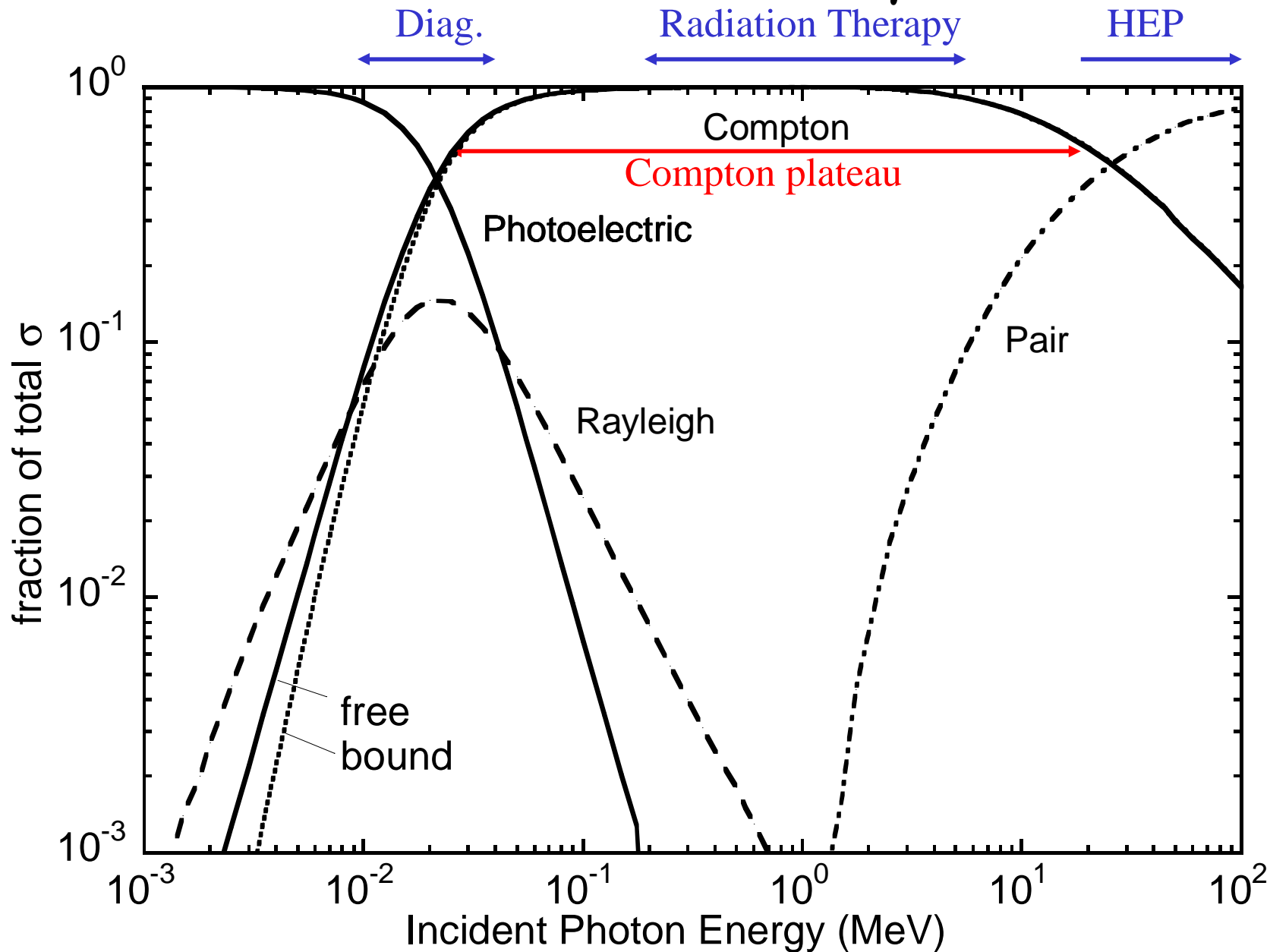
## Optional treatment in egs5

- Interference effect between nearby atoms



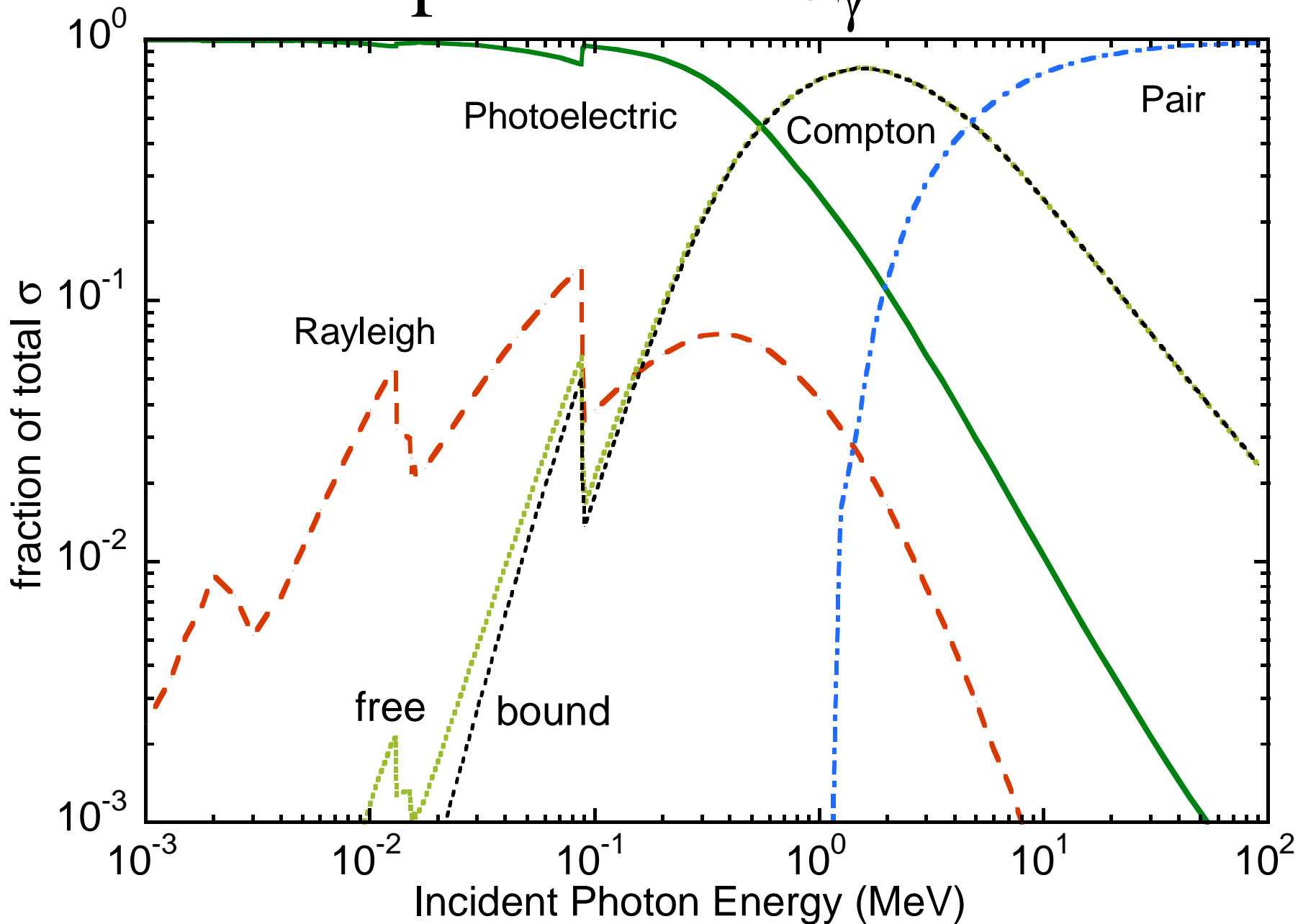
- Linearly polarized photon scattering

# Components of $\sigma_\gamma$ in C

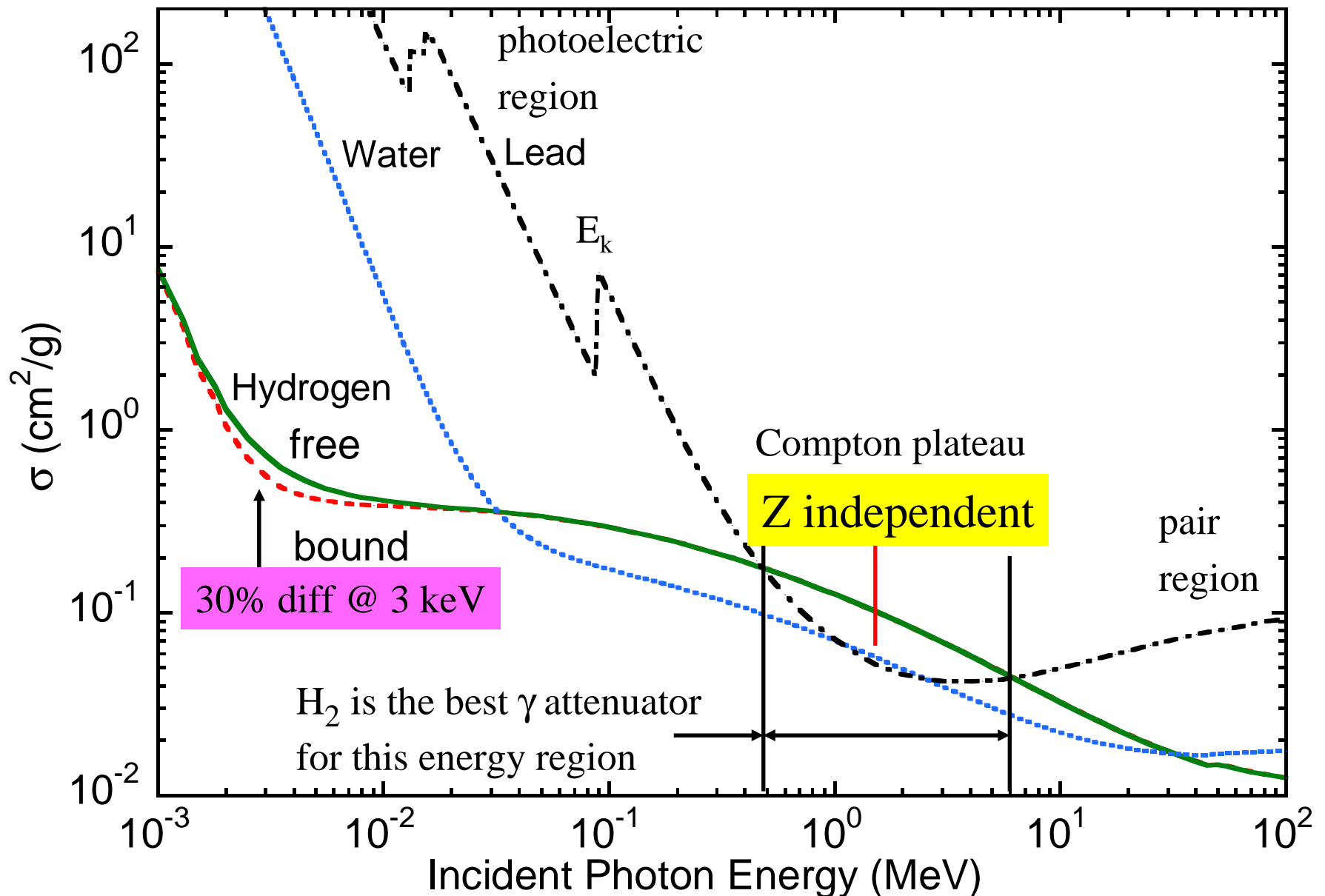




# Components of $\sigma_\gamma$ in Pb

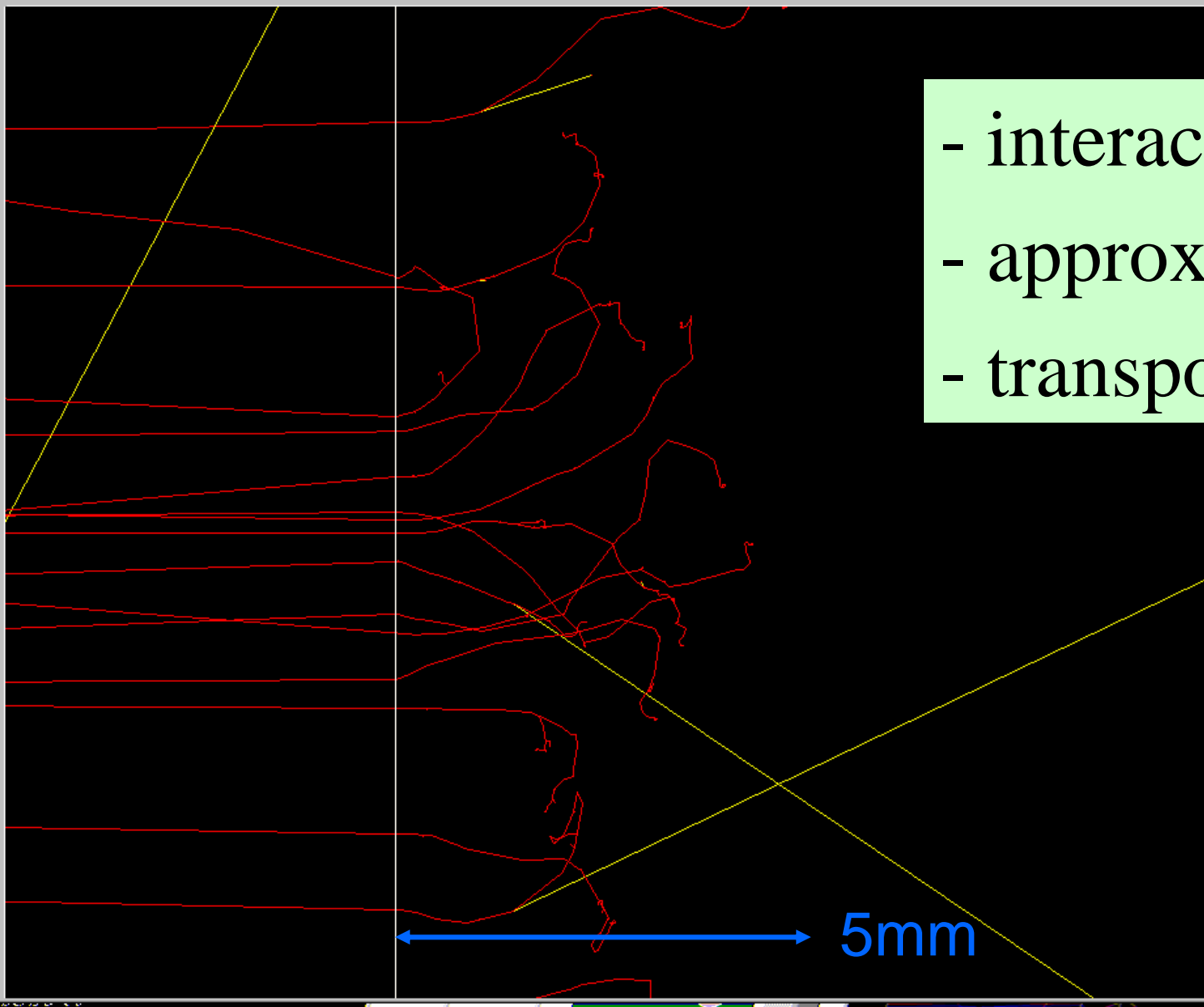


# Total photon $\Sigma$ vs $\gamma$ -energy



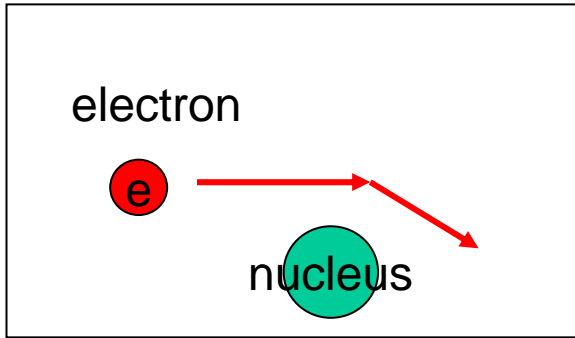
# End of Photon Monte Carlo Simulation

# Electron Monte Carlo Simulation

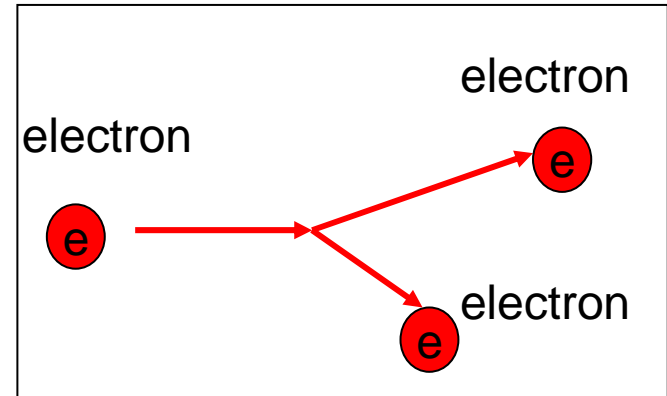


- interaction
- approximations
- transport methods

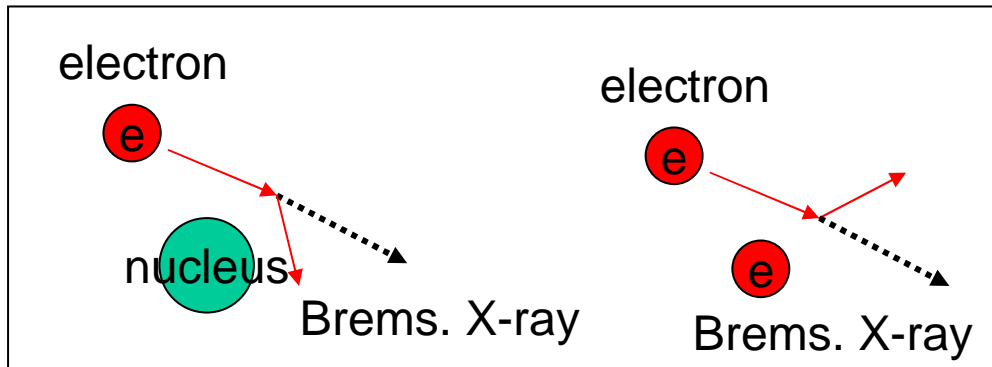
# Electron interaction with matter



1. Electron scattering by nucleus (Rutherford scattering): Change direction

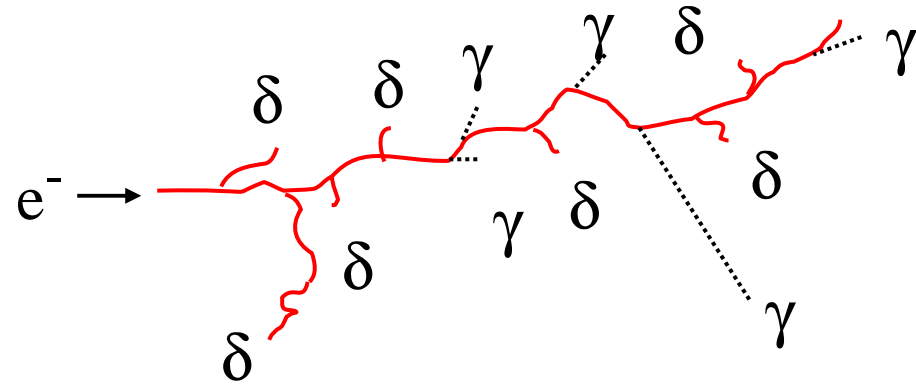


2. Inelastic scattering of electron and electron: Loose energy

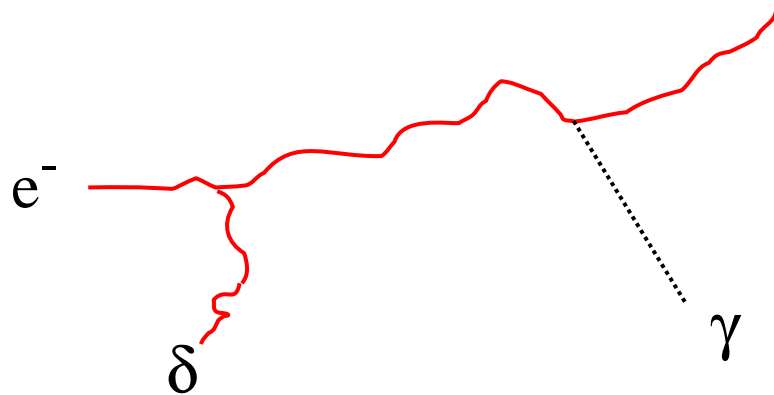


3. Generation of bremsstrahlung x ray

# Condensed Random Walk

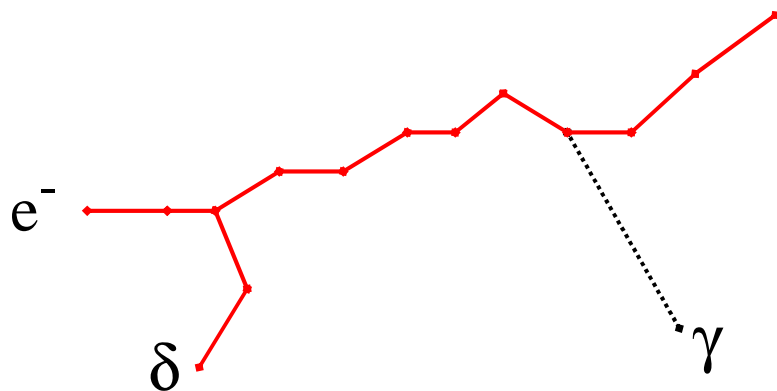


In Reality, mean free path is in nm or  $\mu\text{m}$  unit.



Continuous slowing down

$\delta$ ray, brems: Treated only if,  
2nd particle energy  $>$  threshold



Multiple scattering

M.S. Angle  $\theta_{\text{ms}}(E, Z, t)$

Moliere theory

GS theory

# How do we treat both hard interaction and continuous approximation consistently?



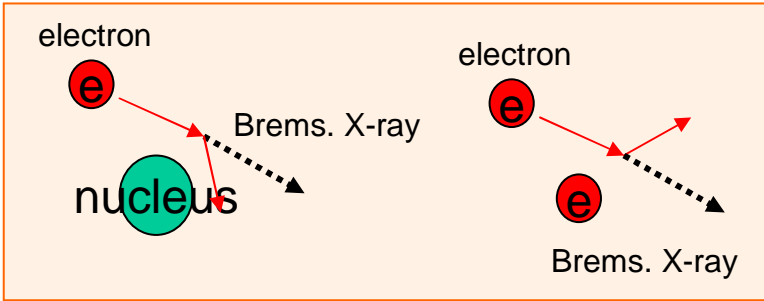
Use Threshold energy (AE, AP) by User's choice

- “Hard” interaction: Discrete sampling
    - large  $\Delta E$  Moller/Bhabha (2nd particle energy  $> \text{AE}$ )
    - large  $\Delta E$  bremsstrahlung (photon energy  $> \text{AP}$ )
    - annihilation “in flight” & at rest
  - “Soft” interaction
    - small  $\Delta E$  Moller/Bhabha
    - atomic excitation
    - soft bremsstrahlung
    - multiple  $e^\pm$  Coulomb scattering
- } Energy  
Absorption

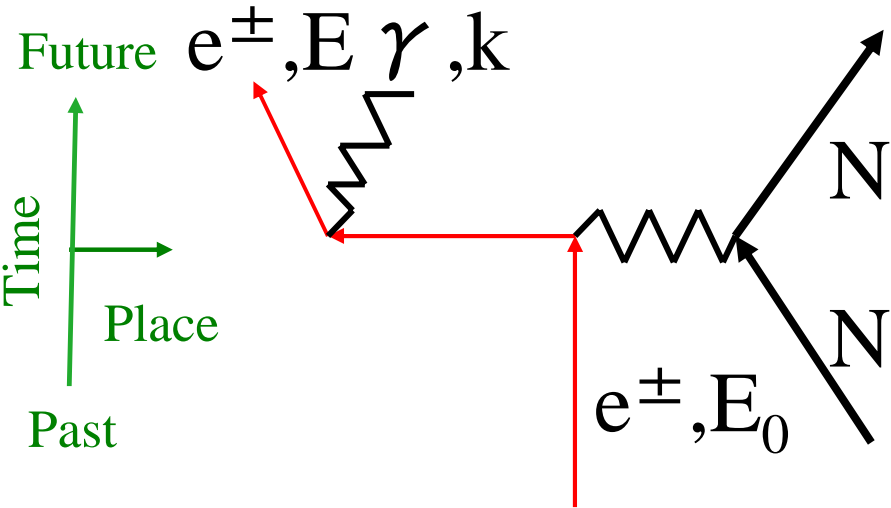
# Hard Interaction



# Bremsstrahlung



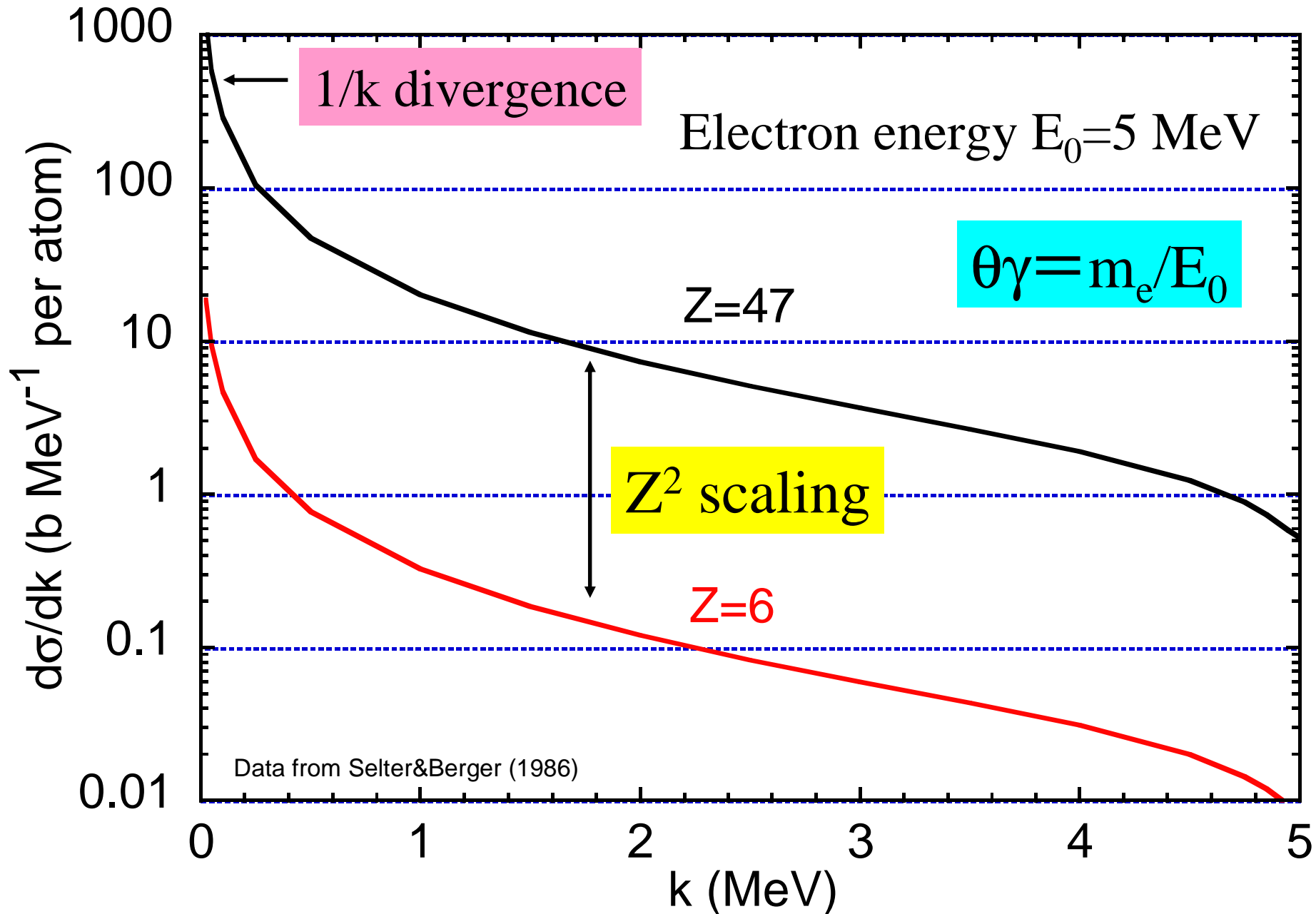
$$E_0 = E + k$$



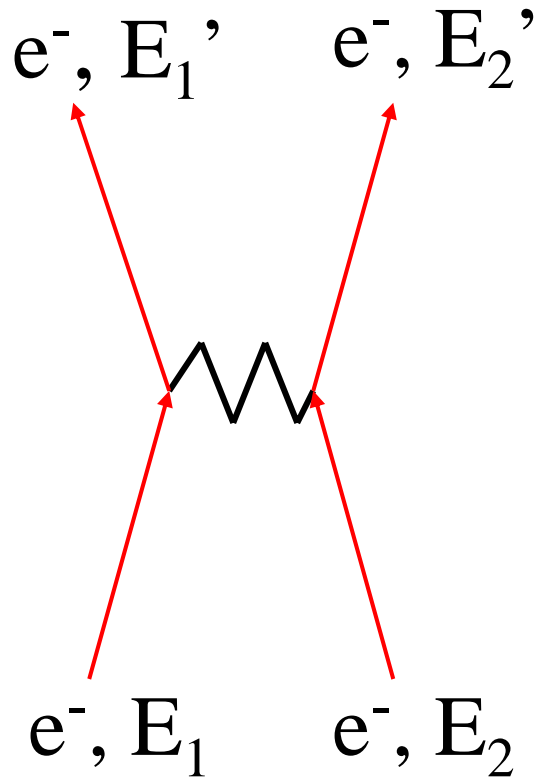
Feynman diagram

- $Z^2$  scaling
- 3 body angular dist'n ignored
  - $Z^2 \rightarrow Z(Z + \xi(Z))$
- <50 MeV Normalize to ICRU-37
- >50 MeV ERL
- Migdal ignored >10 GeV
- TF screening
- $e^-$ ,  $e^+$  treated as same
- $e^\pm$  not deflected

# Example of brems photon spectrum



## Moller

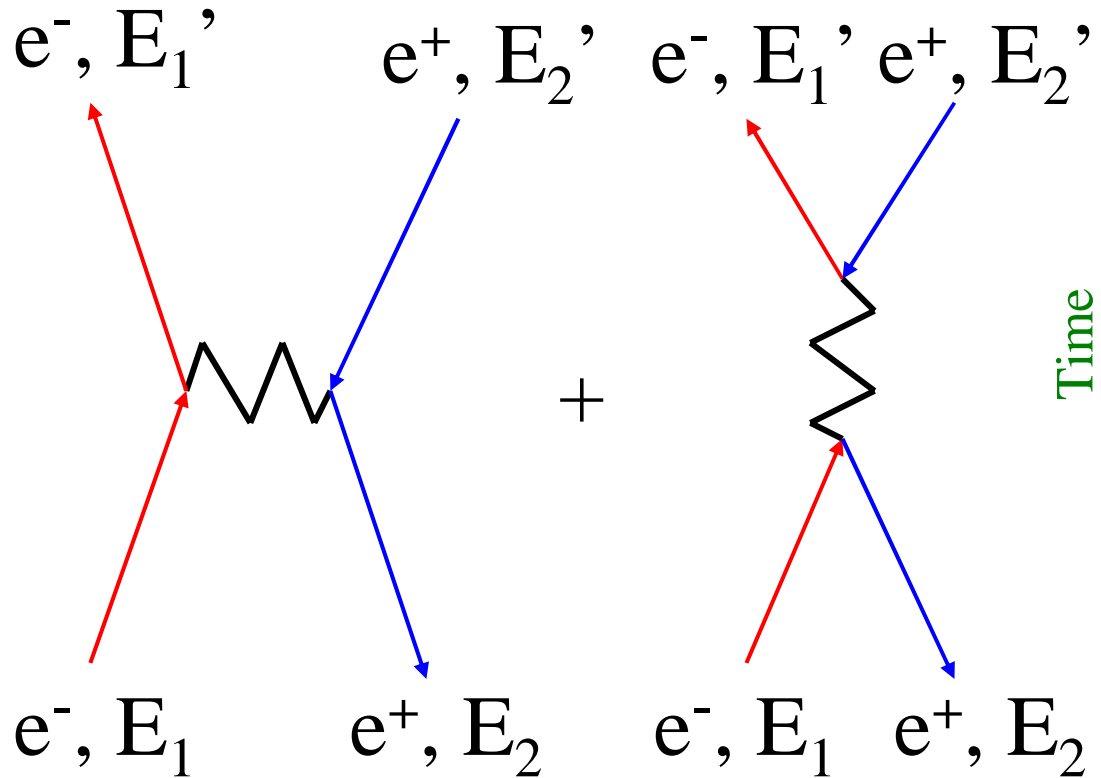


identical particles

- threshold  $2(AE-RM)$

- goes like  $1/v^2$
- scale like  $Z$
- Target  $e^-$  is “free”

## Bhabha



different particles

- threshold  $AE-RM$

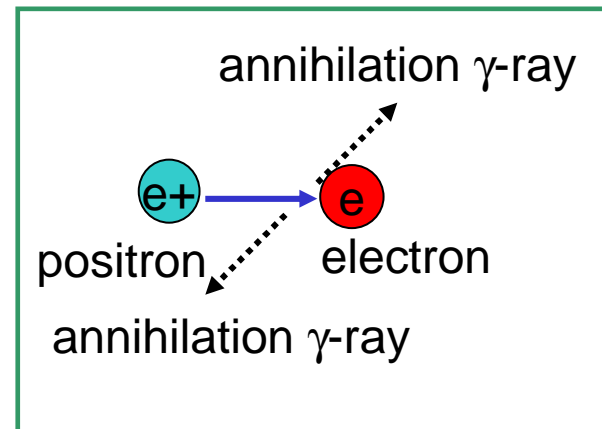
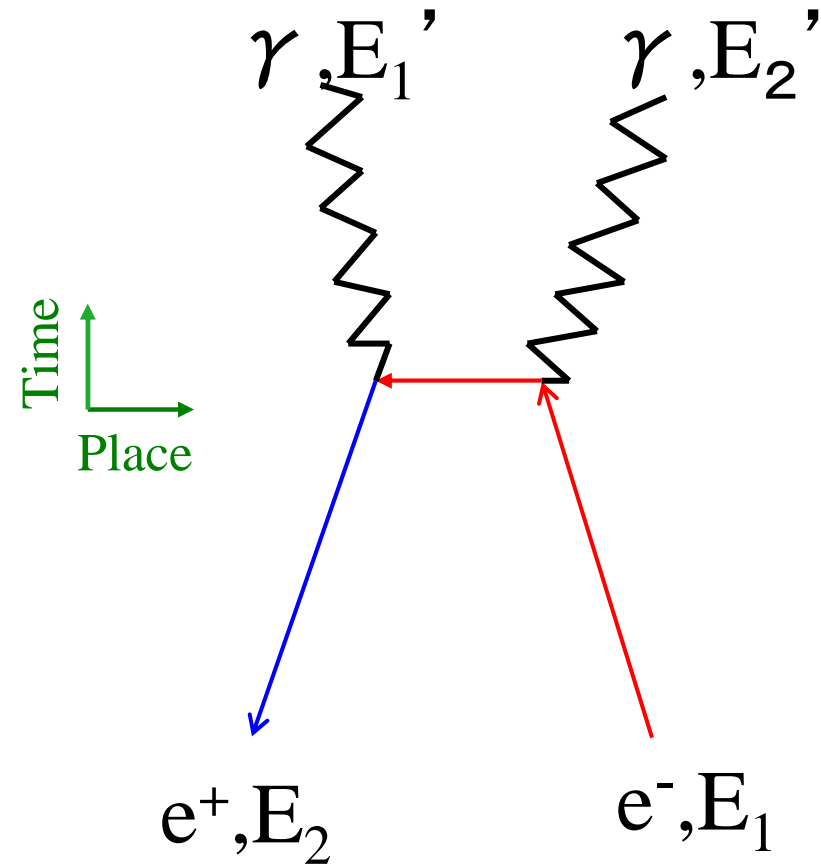
Optional treatment in EGS5

- K-X ray production in Moller (Electron Impact Ionization)



# Annihilation

- in flight and at rest
- $e^+ e^- \rightarrow n \gamma$  ( $n > 2$ ) ignored
- $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma N^*$  ignored
- at ECUT  $e^+$  annihilates
- Residual drift is ignored
- no binding



# Statistically grouped interactions (Soft Interaction)

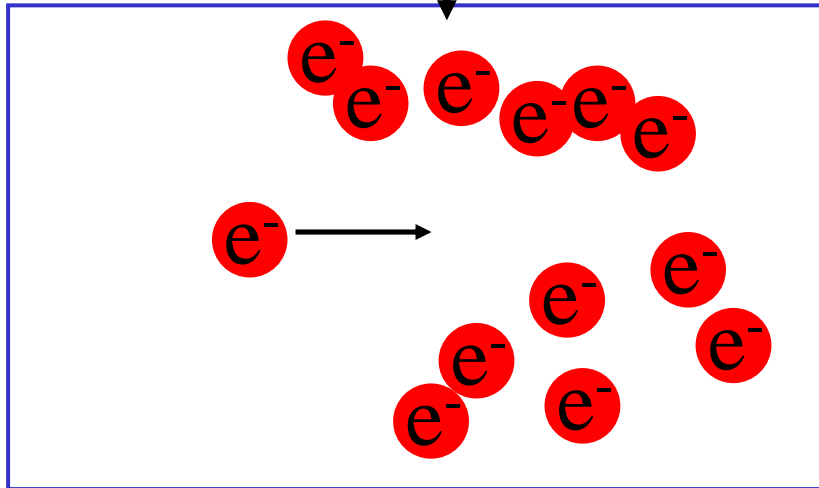
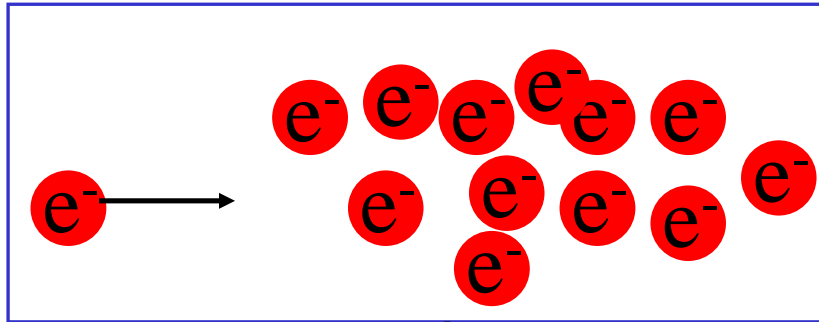
- Continuous energy loss
- Multiple scattering

# ”Continuous” energy loss

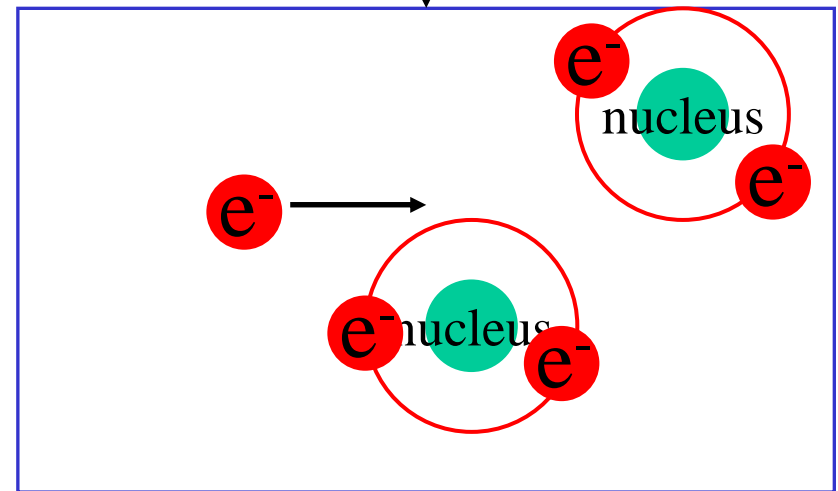
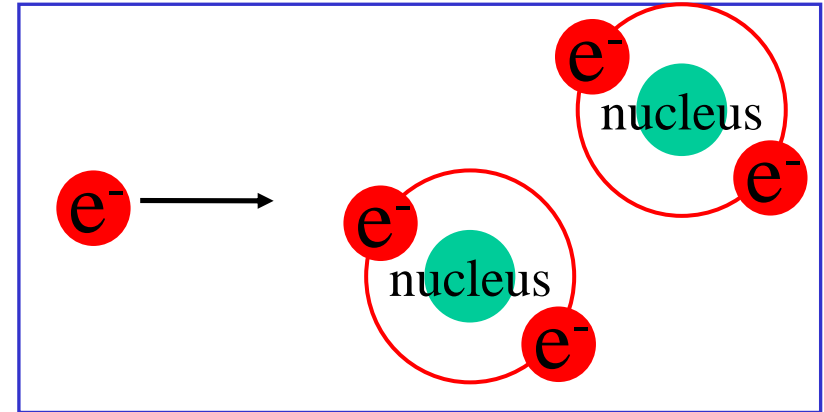
1. collisional energy loss ( $e^\pm$  different)
  1. Bethe-Bloch theory density effect
  2. well-above K shell energy
  3. many electron atoms  $\propto Z_{av}$
2. radiative energy loss ( $e^\pm$  treated same)
  1. integration of bremsstrahlung cross sections
  2. same approximations
  3.  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$  treated as identical

# Density effect

Reduction of the collision stopping power due to the polarization of the medium by the incident electron.

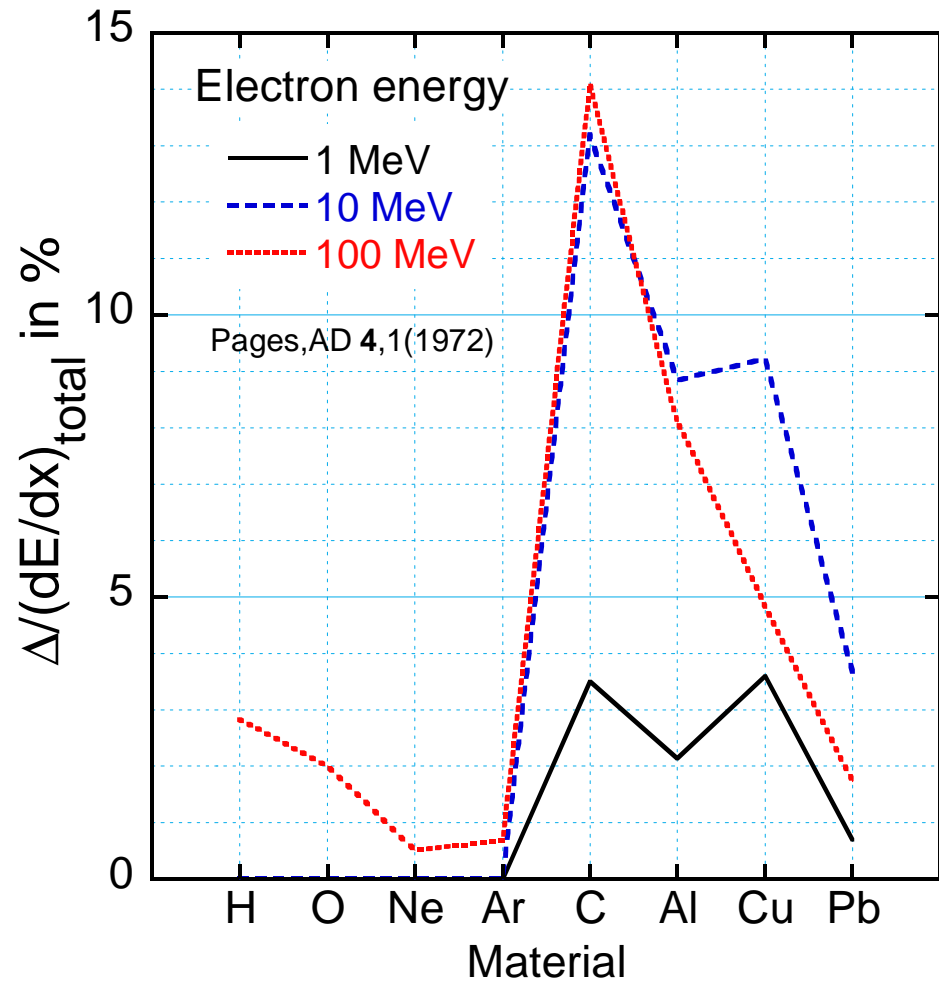
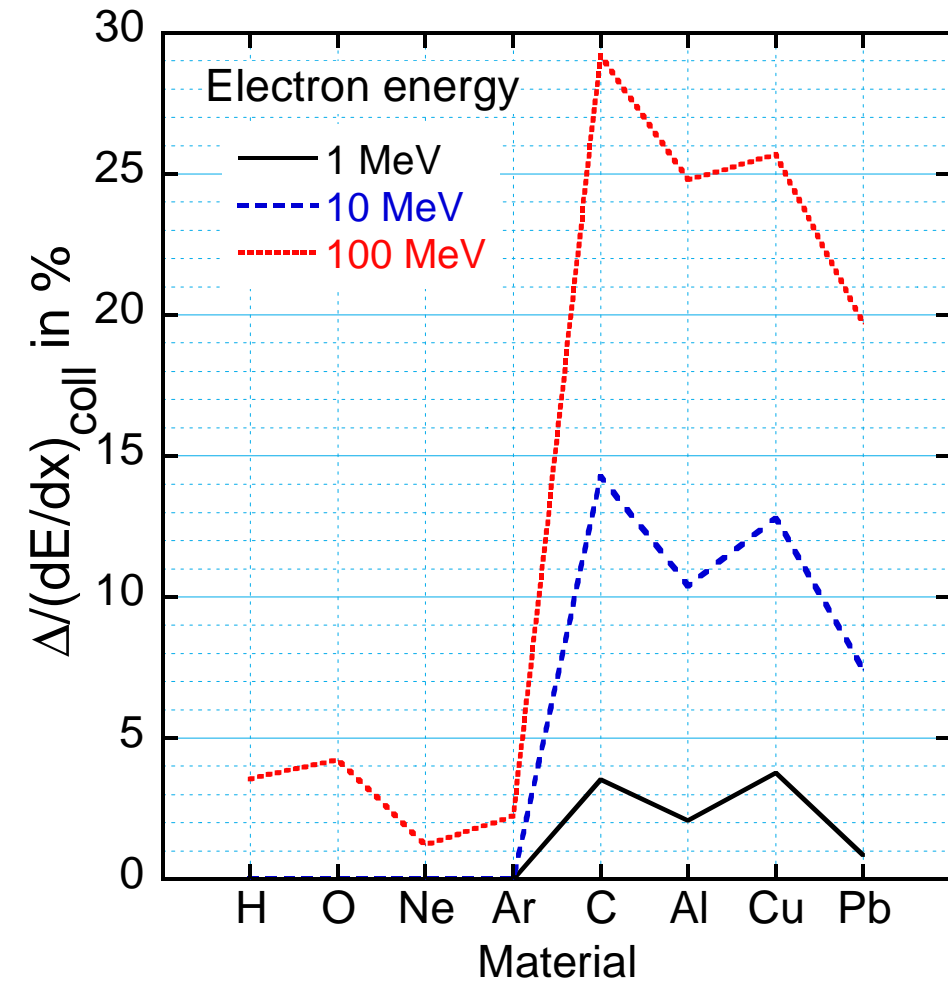


Large polarization  
in Conductor (ex. Carbon)



Small polarization in Rare Gas (ex. Ar)

# Density effect (2)

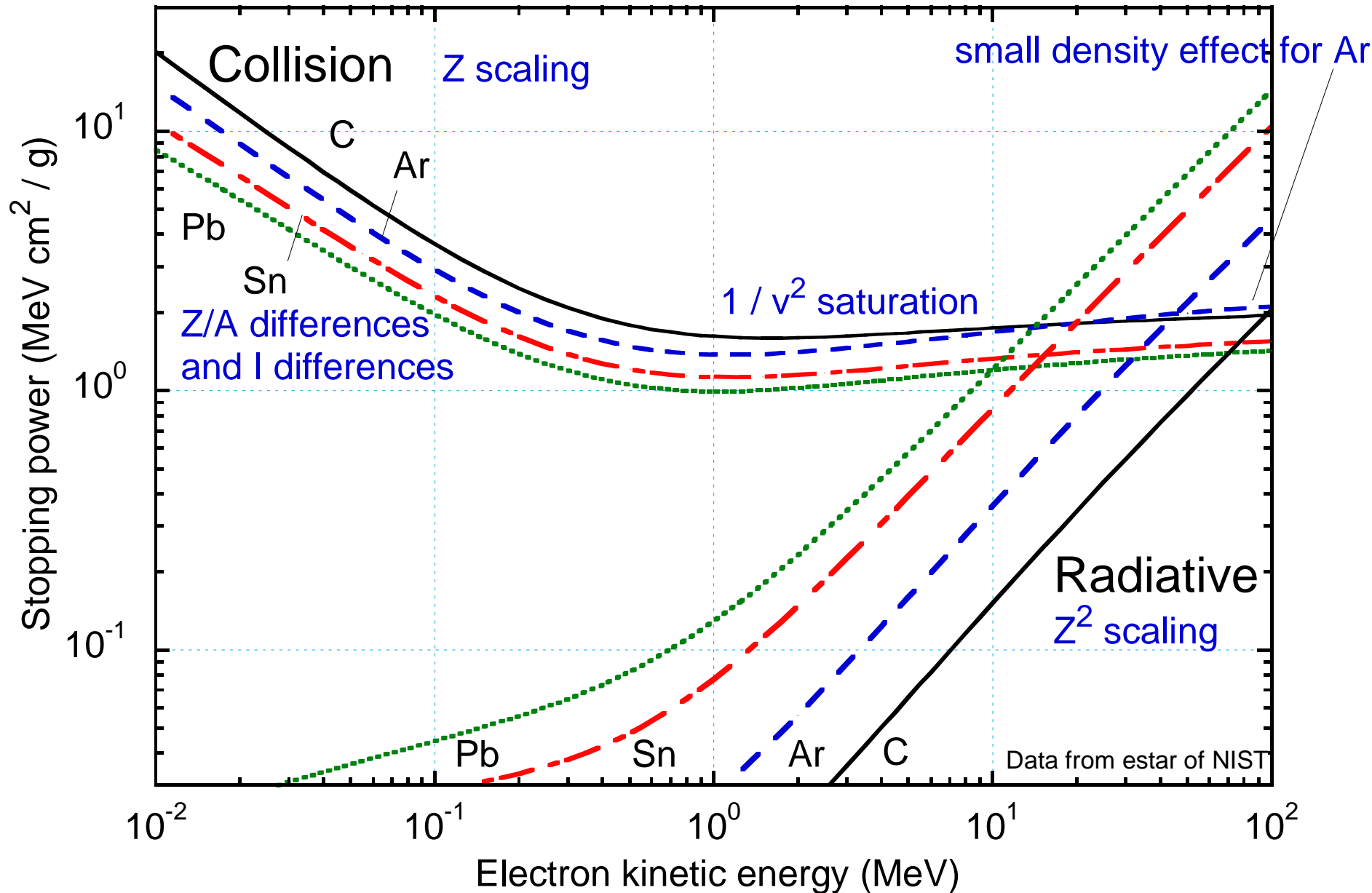




# Density effect in egs5

- Berger, Seltzer, and Sternheimer
  - Parameters for 278 materials
- Sternheimer and Peierls
  - general treatment
    - Less precise, Needs only  $Z$  and  $\rho$

# Electron stopping power (unrestricted)



# Energy absorption

energy absorption for  $e^\pm$  transport of  $t$

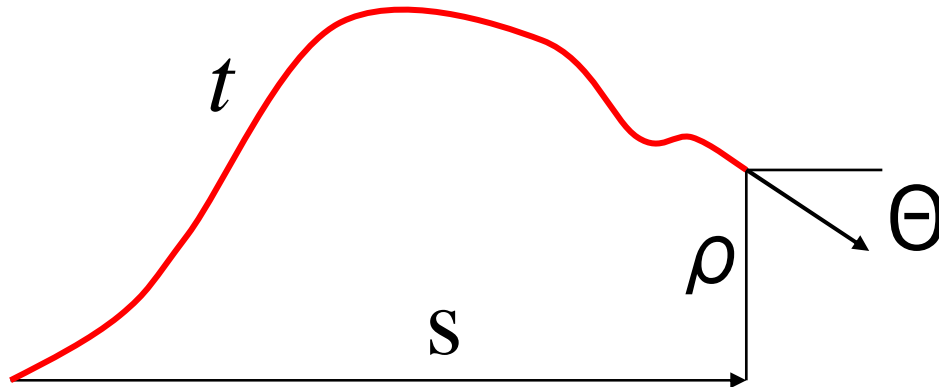
$$= -\left(\frac{dE_\pm}{dx}\right)_{\text{power}}^{\text{restricted stopping}} \times t$$

$$-\left(\frac{dE_\pm}{dx}\right)_{\text{power}}^{\text{restricted stopping}} = -\left(\frac{dE_\pm}{dx}\right)_{\text{cutoff}}^{\text{Radiative sub}} - \left(\frac{dE_\pm}{dx}\right)_{\text{cutoff}}^{\text{Collision sub}}$$

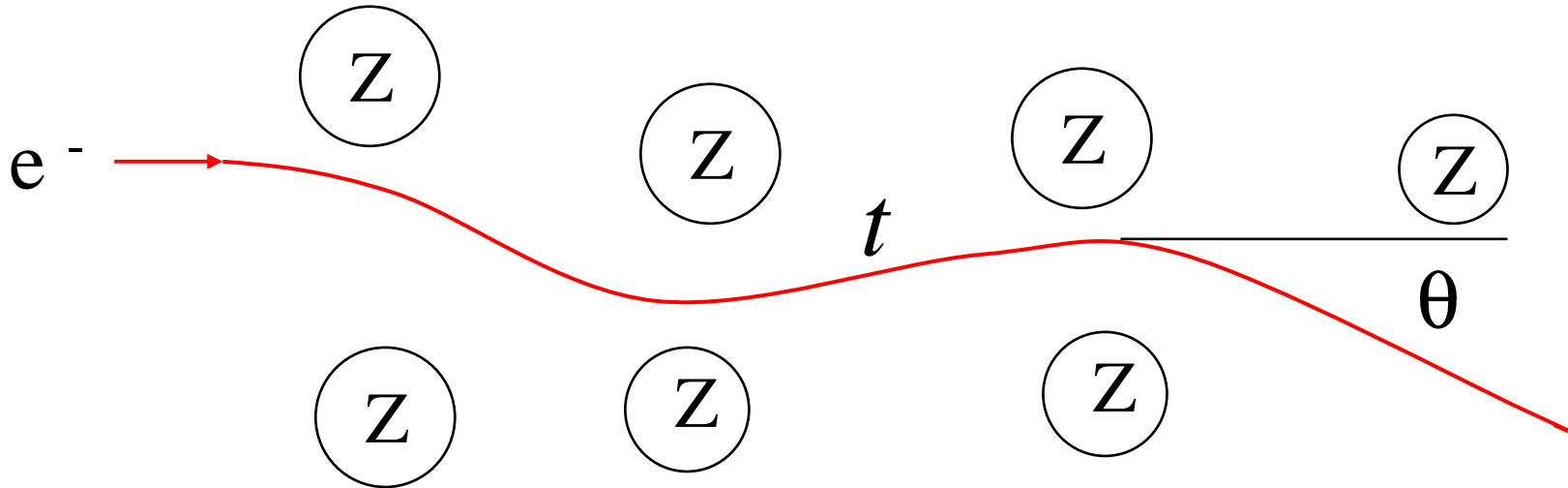
Mean energy loss from Gaussian distribution

Needs Landau's distribution for thin geometry

Absorption Dose (Gy) = Energy absorption (J) / mass(kg)



# Multiple Scattering



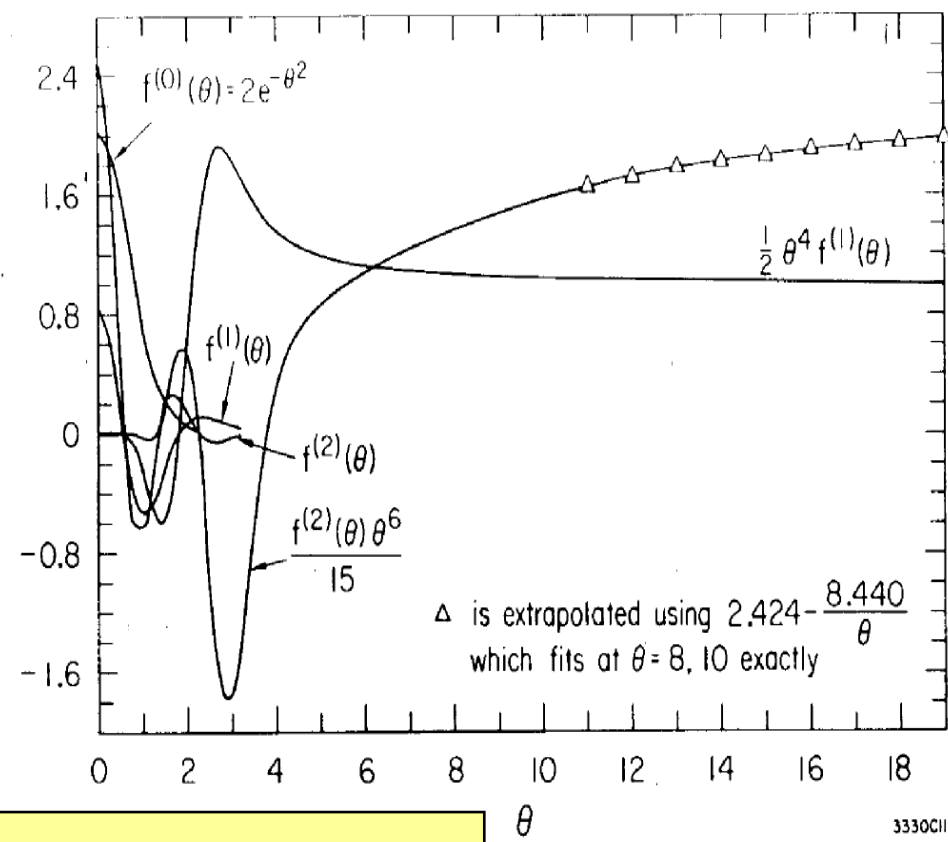
$f(\theta)=?$  : after path length  $t$

- Fermi-Eyges theory
- Goudsmit-Saunderson theory: EGS5
- Moliere's small angle large pathlength theory: EGS5

# Moliere theory

(Middle precision, Middle restriction, Simple)

- Convert scattering angle  $\Theta$  (E,Z,t) to reduced angle  $\theta$
- Use single set of  $f^{(n)}(\theta) \rightarrow$  Simple
- Good for small angle ( $<20^\circ$ )
- Needs long t ( $>100$  elastic mfp)



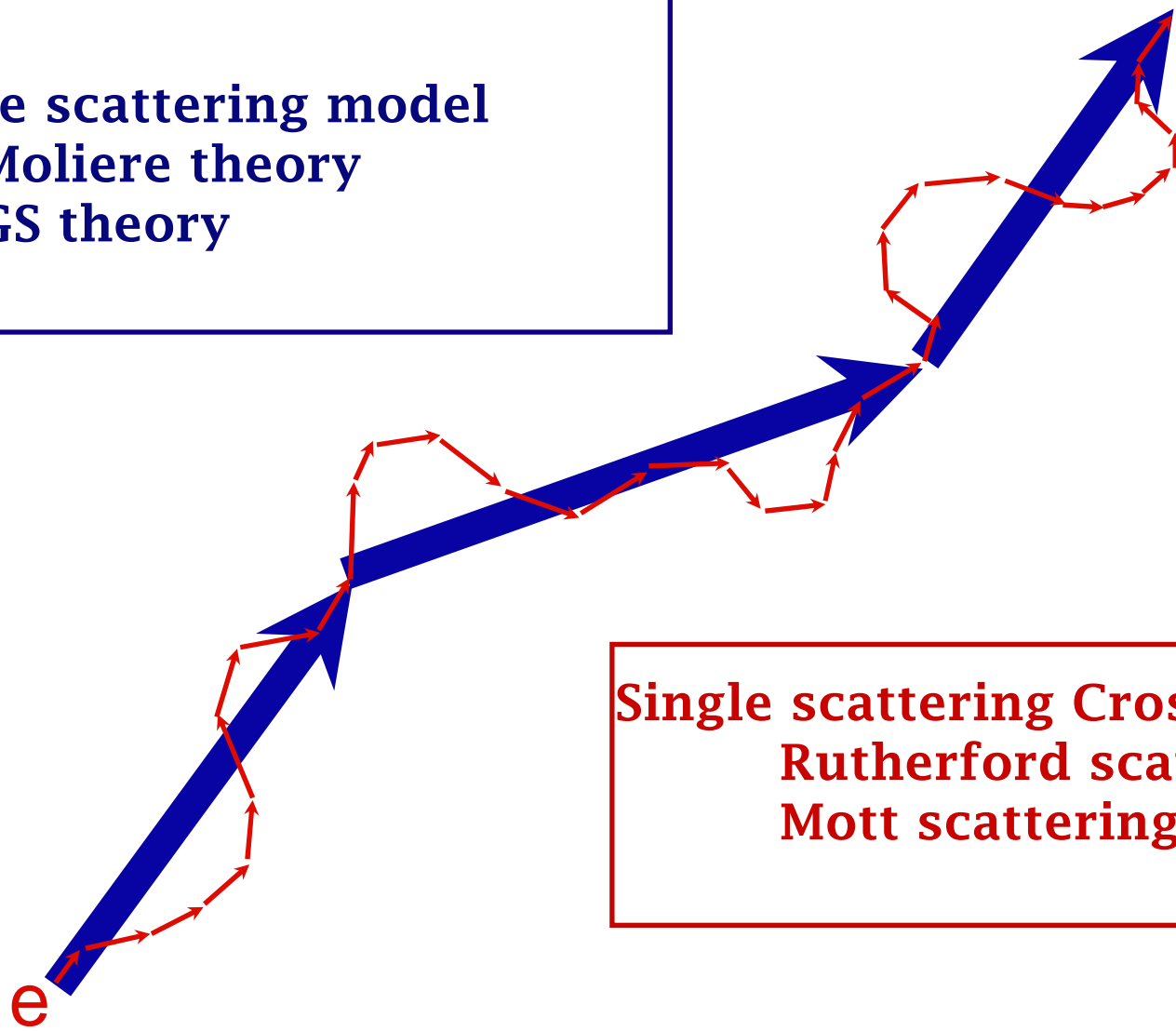
# Goudsmit-Saunderson (GS) theory

(High precision, Little restriction, Cumbersome)

- Expand scattering CS by Legendre function
- Coefficient  $f$  (E, Z, t,  $\theta$ )  $\rightarrow$  Need large Data Base
- Good for all scattering angle without restriction

# Concept figure for single scattering and multiple scattering

**Multiple scattering model**  
Moliere theory  
GS theory



**Single scattering Cross section**  
Rutherford scattering  
Mott scattering

# Electron transport in EGS5

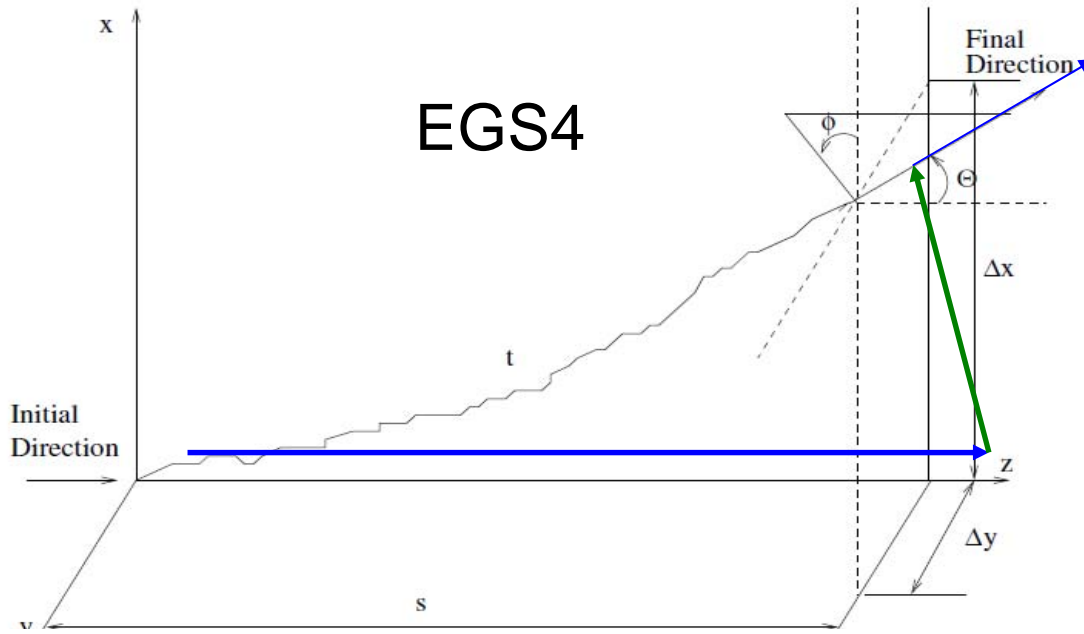
- Elastic scattering cross section
  - Rutherford CS (Default)(=EGS4)
    - Coulomb interaction between nucleus and electron.  
Nucleus is treated as a point.
  - Mott CS
    - Consider spin relativistic effect
- Multiple scattering
  - Moliere theory (Default)(=EGS4)
  - Goudsmit-Saunderson theory (GS)
- Transport mechanics inside m.s. step
  - Dual Hinge

Transport Mechanics inside step

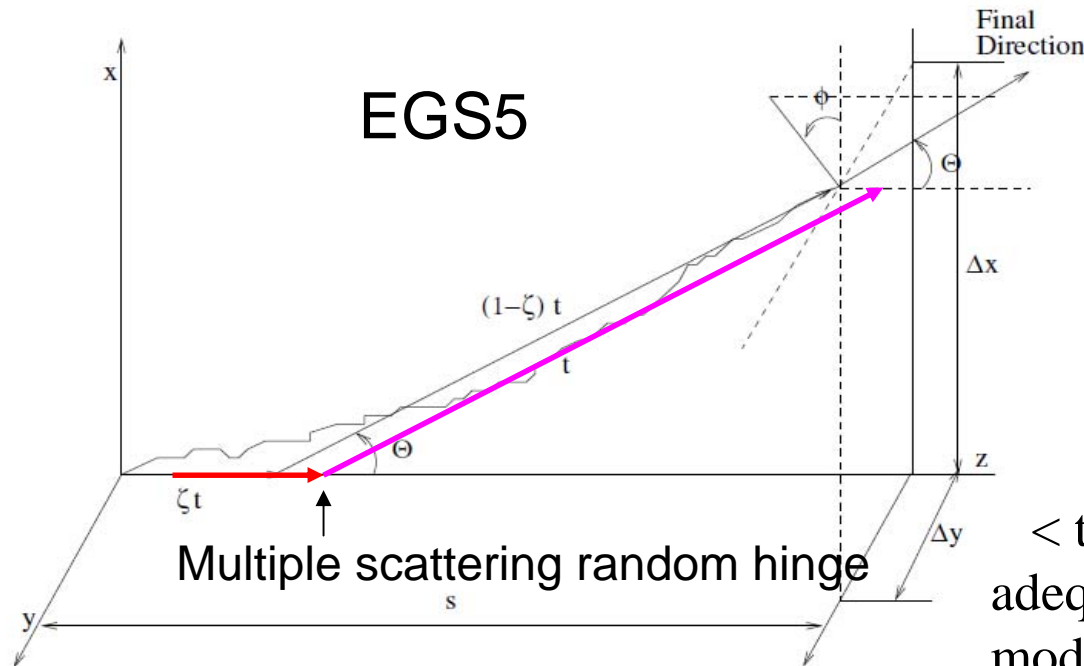


# Transport mechanics inside m.s. step of EGS5 (1)

Developed at U.Mich and U.Barcelona



1. Sampling m.s. step  $s$  (straight step size)
2. Evaluate curved length ( $t$ ), scattering angle ( $\tau$ ) and lateral displacement ( $\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2$ )



1. Sampling multiple scattering hinge point inside curved length  $t$
2. Change electron direction at that point based on m.s. model

$\langle t/s \rangle$  and  $\langle \Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2 \rangle$  are adequately calculated in this hinge model as long as energy loss is ignored.

# Transport mechanisms inside m.s. hinge in EGS5 (2)

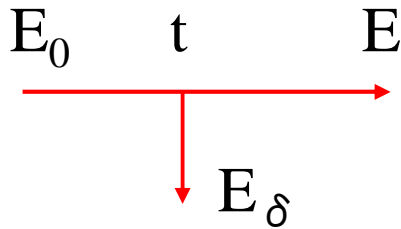
- Instead of hinge model of  $\zeta t$  and  $(1-\zeta)t$ , **hinge model based on scattering strength is used.**  $\zeta K_1(t)$  and  $(1-\zeta)K_1(t)$ .
  - To account for energy loss.
- Introduce “**Energy loss hinge**” to simplify integral of  $G_1$  to evaluate  $K_1$ .
  - Energy is constant between energy loss hinge.
- Introduce “**Characteristic dimension**” to make setting of adequate step length easy.

Simple

Accurate

Class I (ITS,MCNP)

Energy loss without correlation

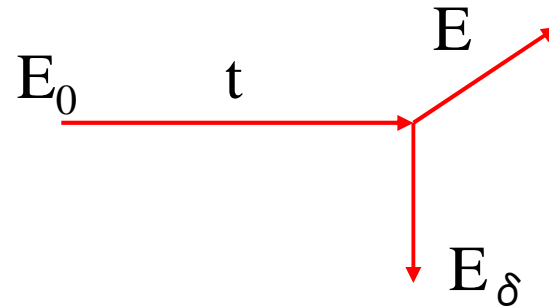


$$E = E_0 - \Delta E(t)$$

$$E_{\text{dep}} = \Delta E(t) - E_\delta$$

Class II (EGS, Penelope)

Energy loss with correlation



$$E = E_0 - t L_{\text{col}}^{\text{AE}} - E_\delta$$

$$E_{\text{dep}} = t L_{\text{col}}^{\text{AE}}$$

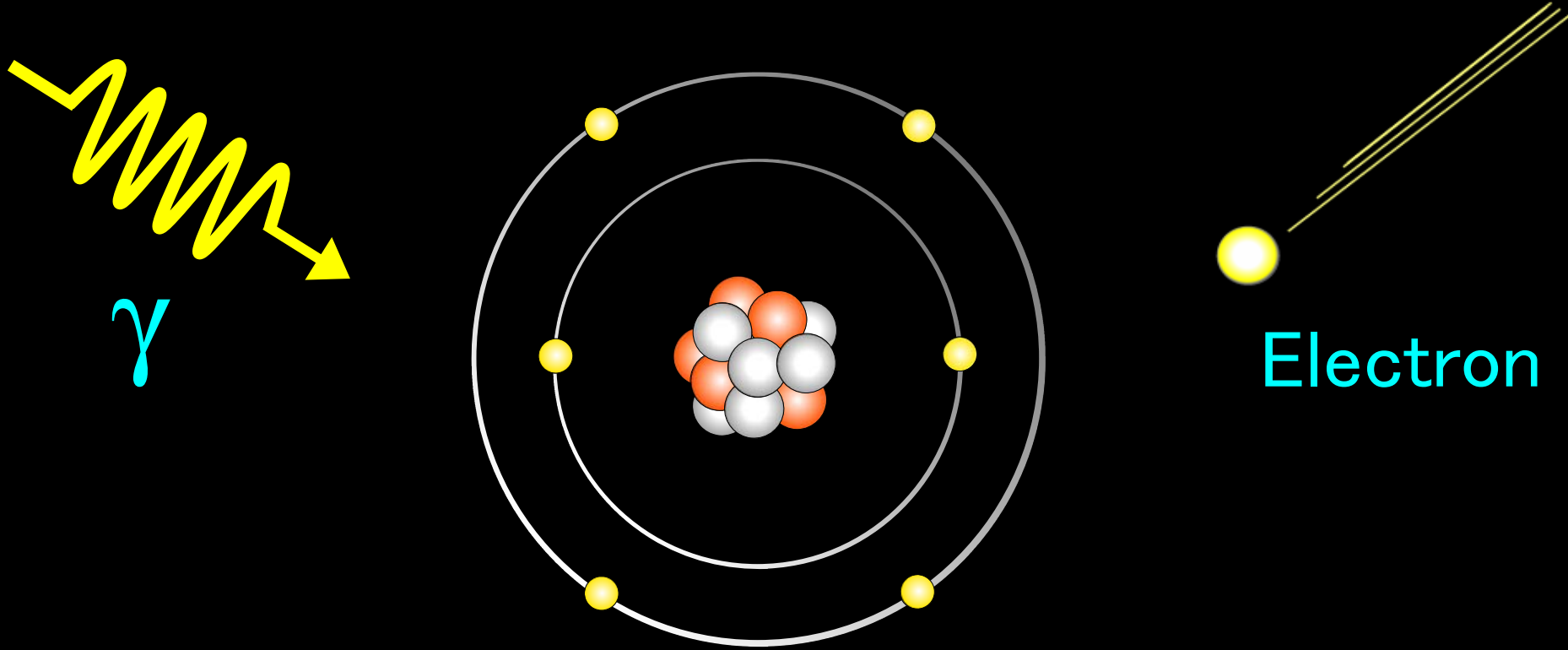
- $\Delta E(t)$  : energy loss sampled from energy loss distribution (Straggling considered)
- $L_{\text{col}}^{\text{AE}}$  : restricted stopping power for 2nd particle ( $< \text{AE}$ )

$t$  : Fixed length (Function of Max energy) @ITS,  
Variable @ EGS, Penelope

# Comparison of Electron transport model

Code	Spin	M.S. model	Class	Transport mechanism in step
EGS5	×	Moliere	2	Dual Hinge Characteristic dimension
	○	GS		
EGSnrc	○	GS	2	Separate single scatt.
Penelope	○	GS	2	Dual Hinge Separate large $\theta$ scatt.
ITS 3.0 #	○	GS	1	

# Adopted as electron transport of MCNP



Photon and electron interact with

Whole One Atom, Electron, and Nucleus

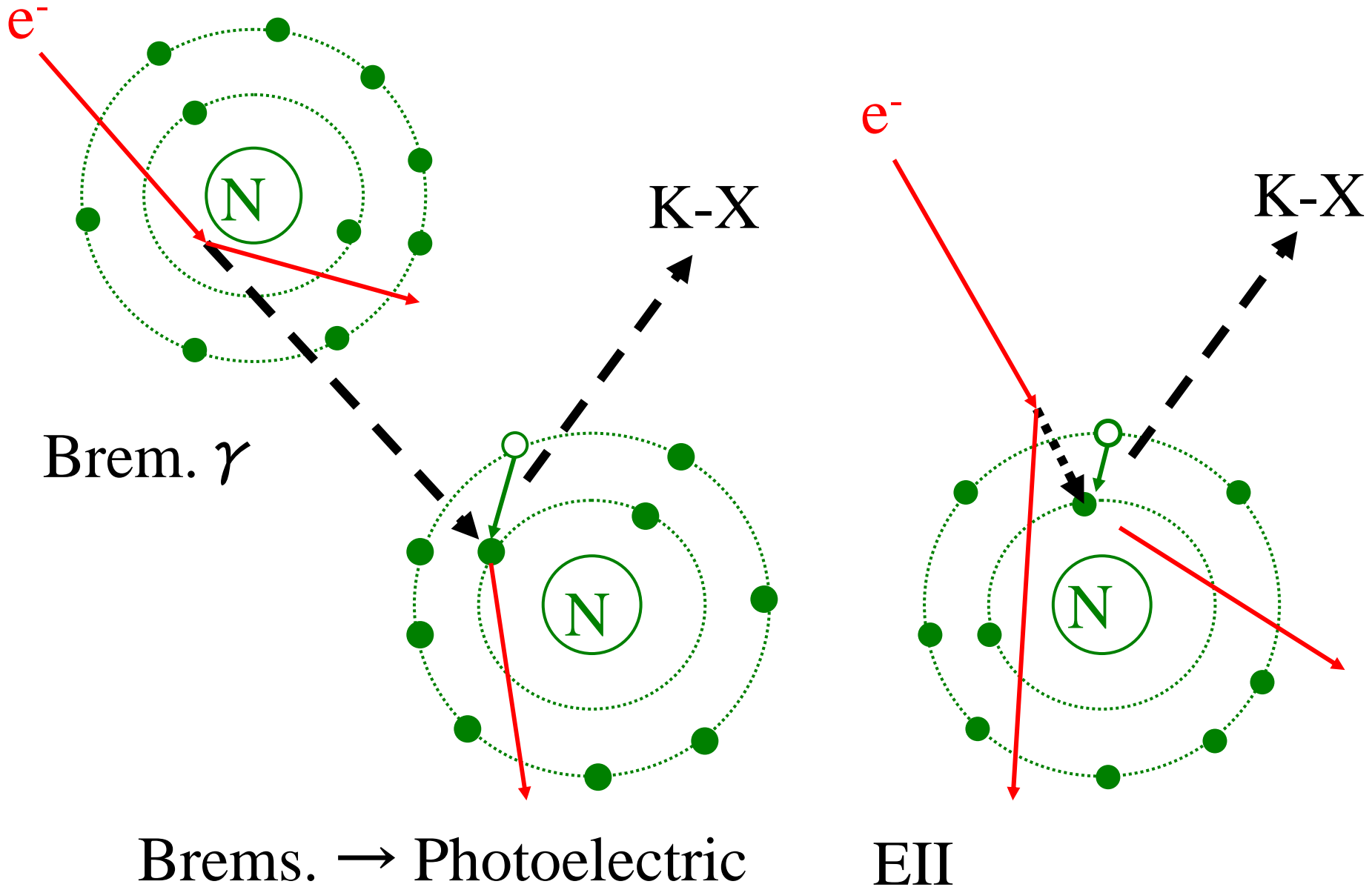
Exception

- Density effect
- Interference in Rayleigh scattering

# Complement

- Electron impact ionization
- Shielding of  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  ray

# Electron Impact Ionization (EII)

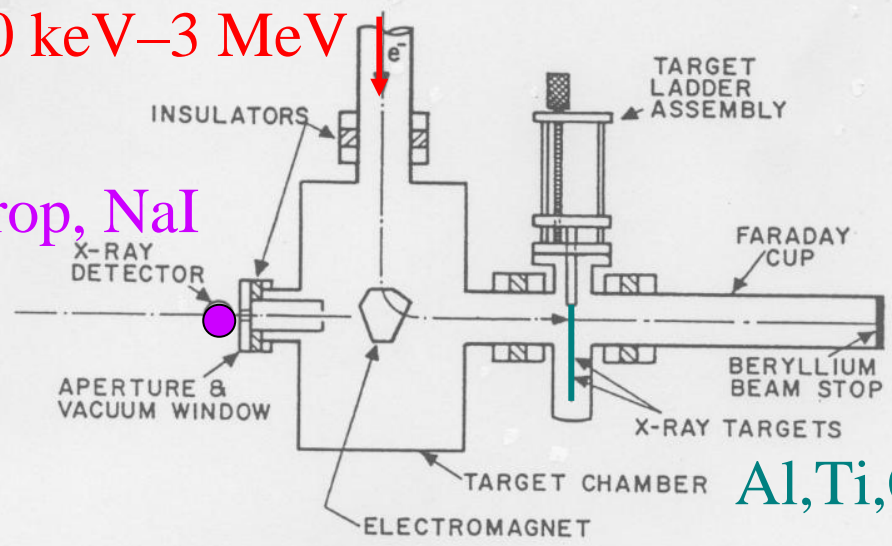


# Dick et al (1973)'s exp set up

10 keV–3 MeV

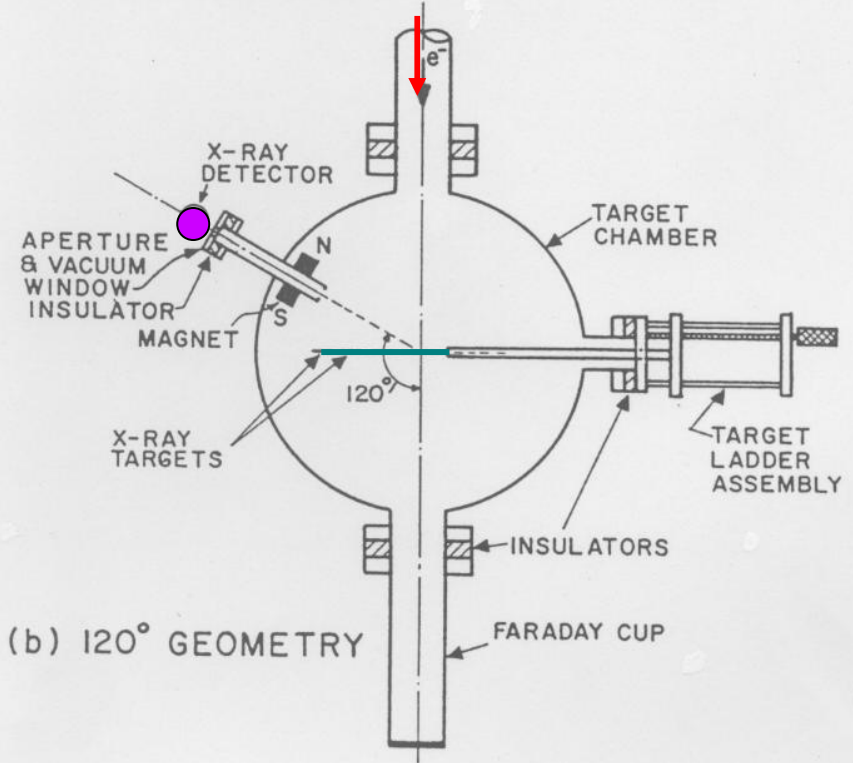
$e^-$

Prop, NaI



Al, Ti, Cu, Ag, Au

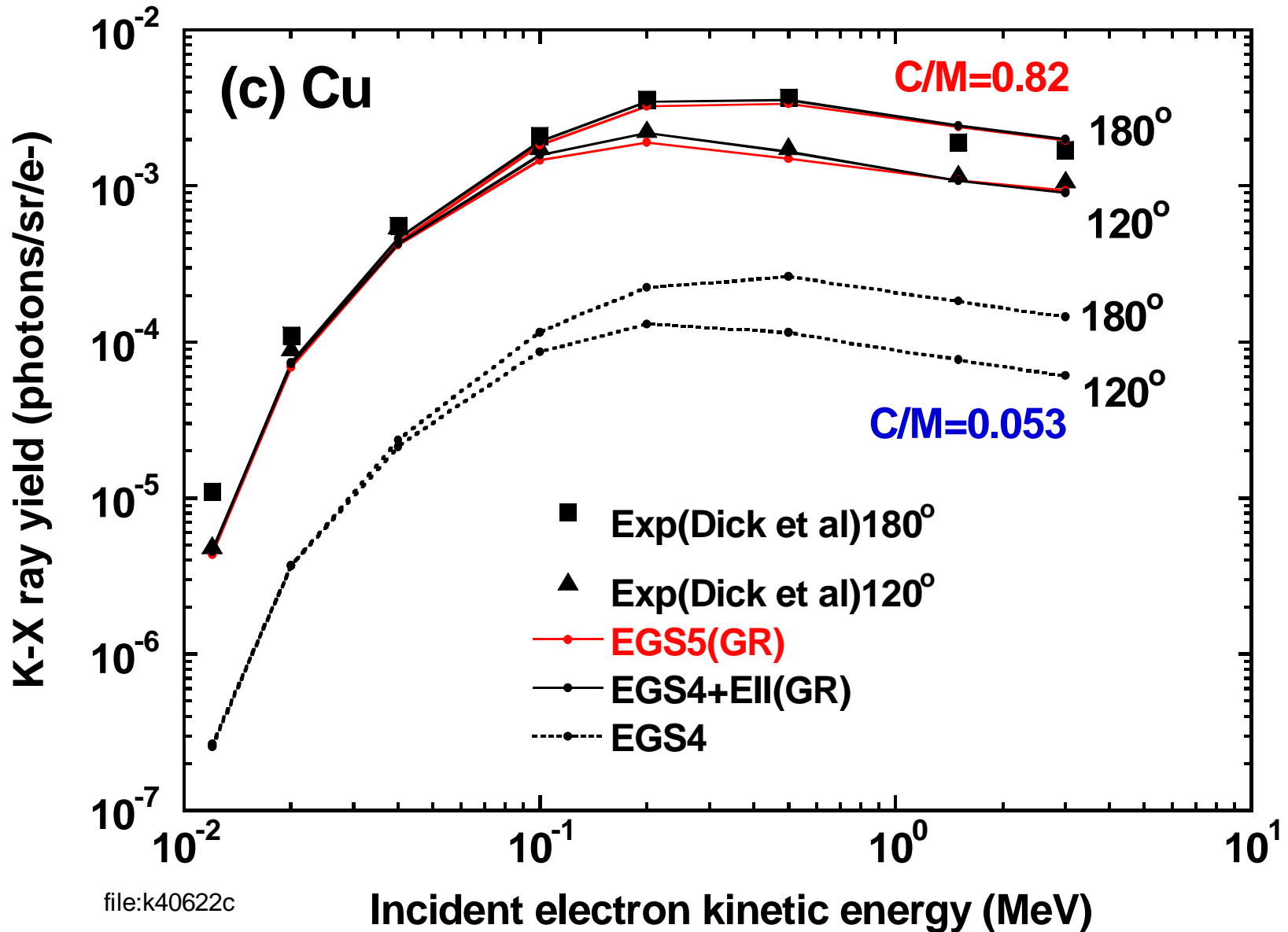
(a) 180° GEOMETRY

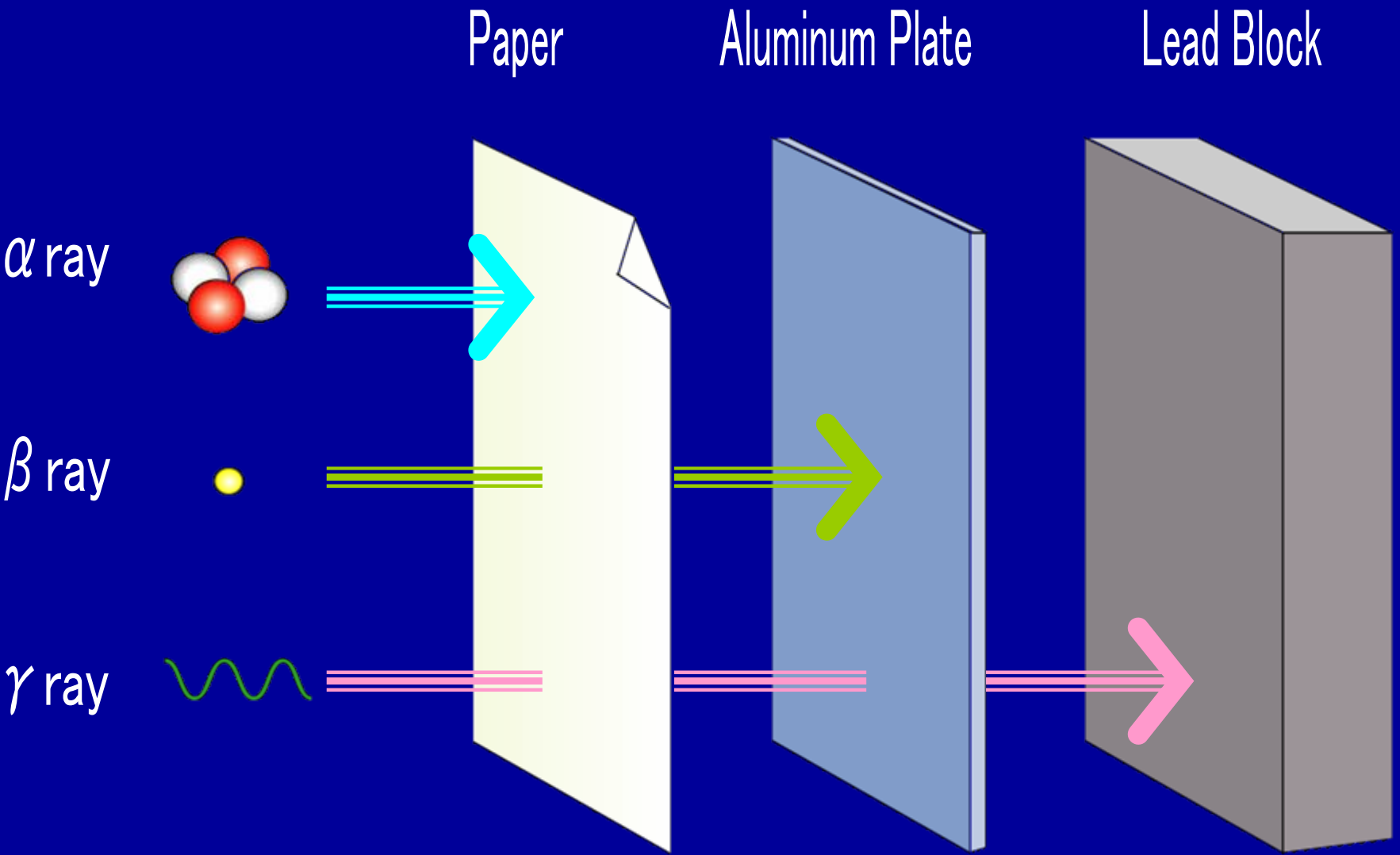


(b) 120° GEOMETRY

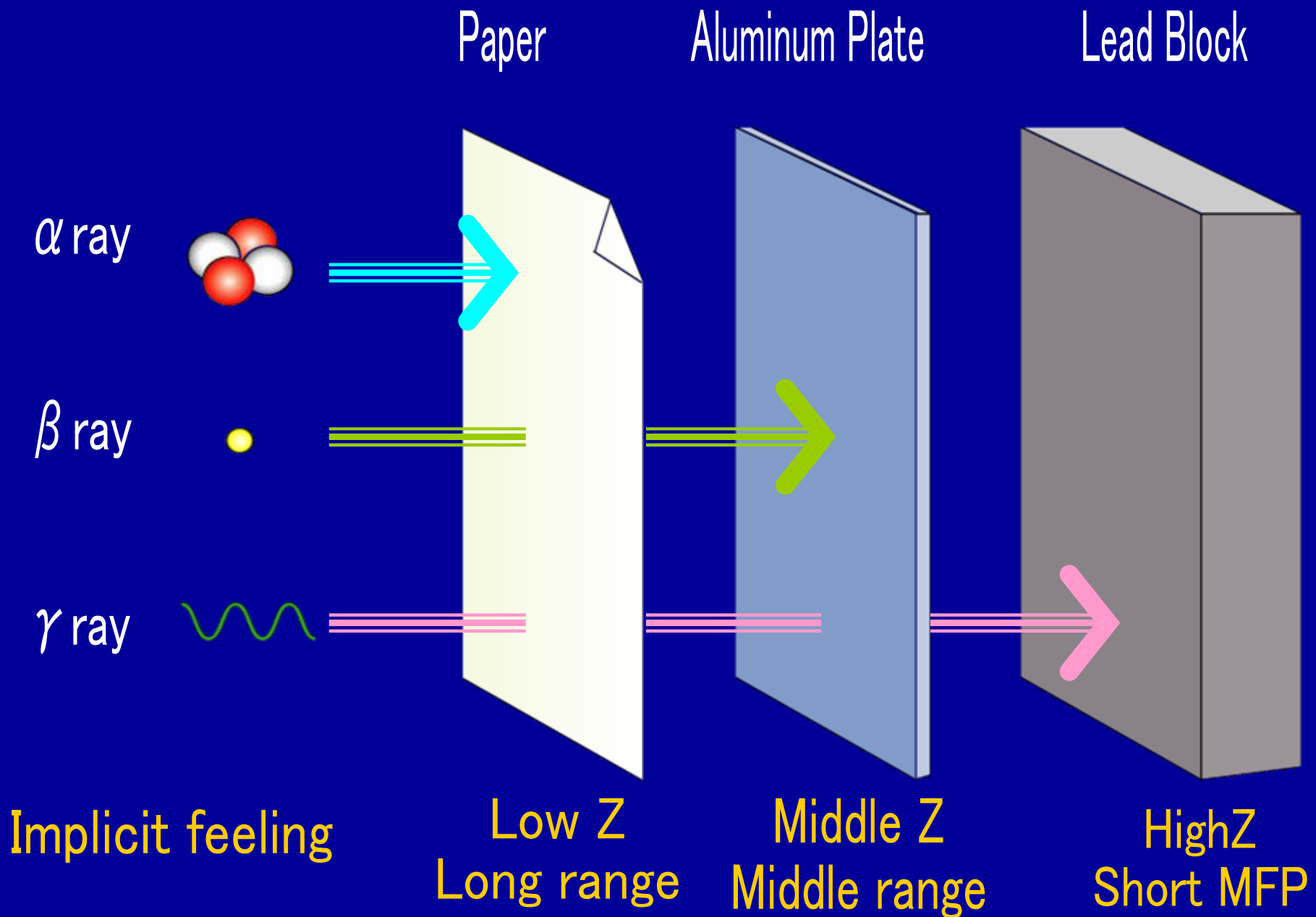


# K X-ray yield for Cu





# Penetration of radiation



Implicit feeling

Paper

Aluminum Plate

Lead Block

$\alpha$  ray

$\beta$  ray

$\gamma$  ray

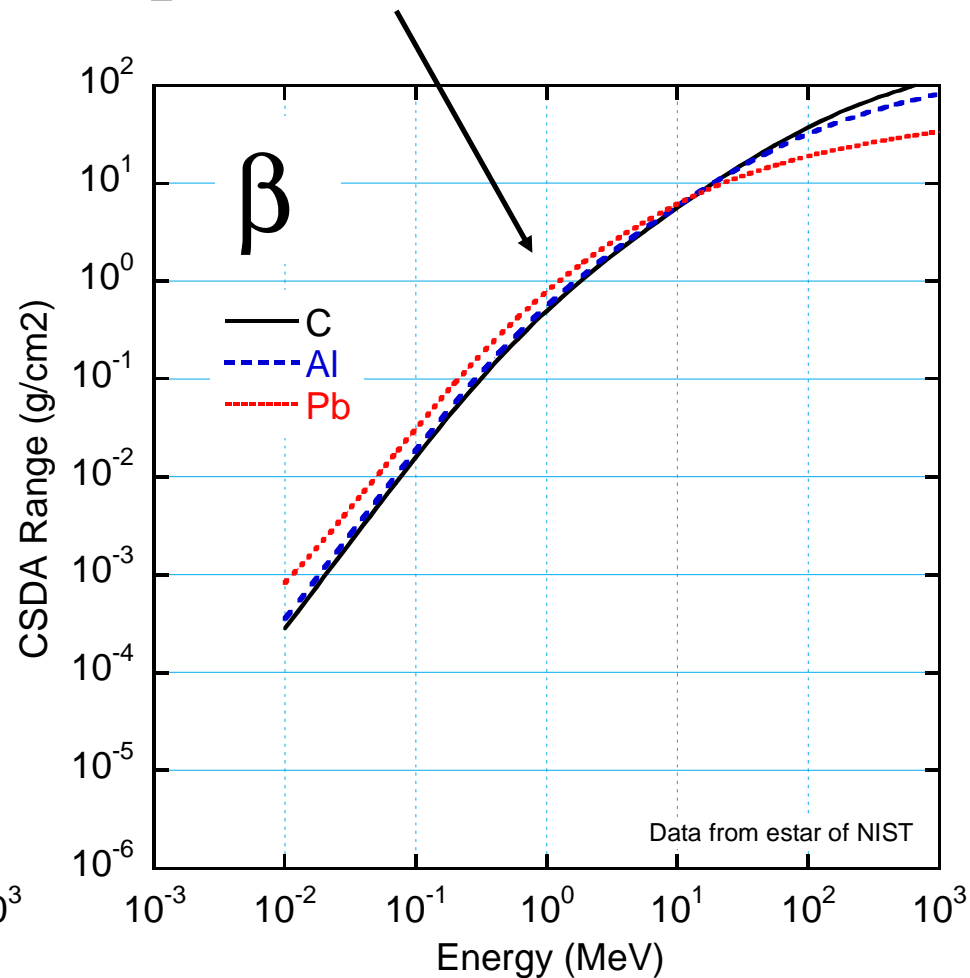
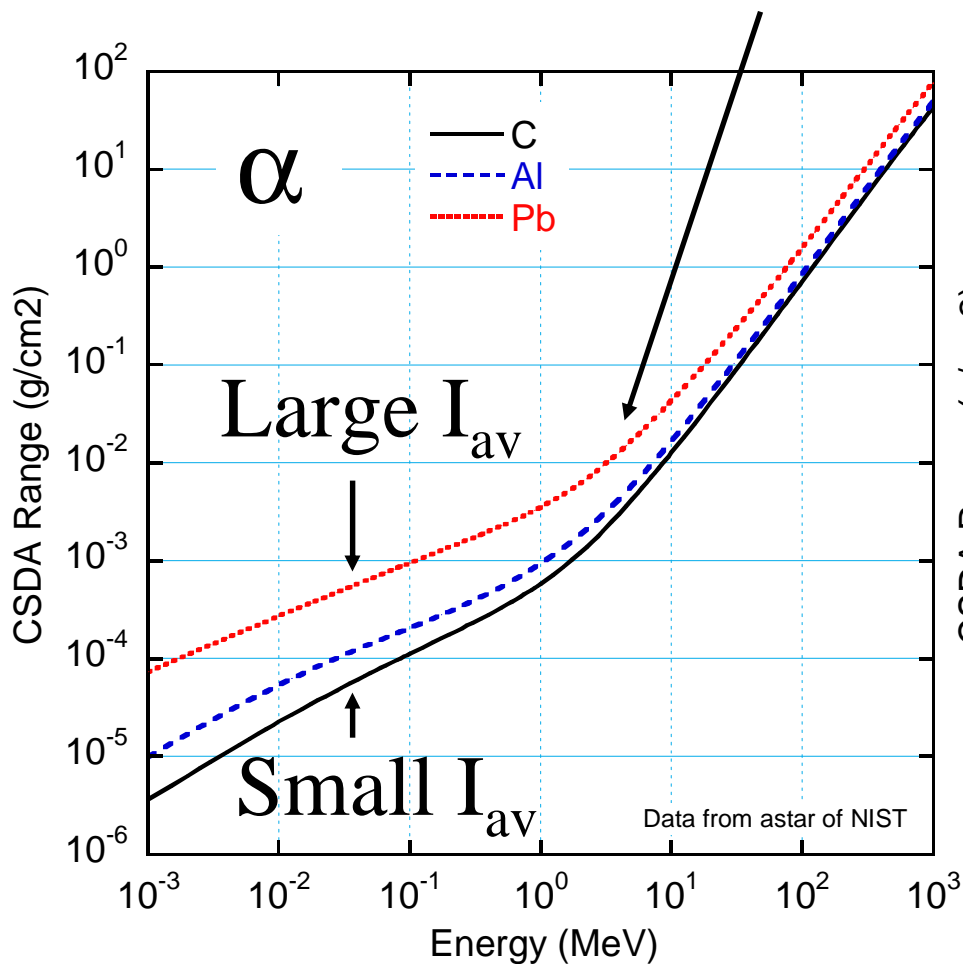
Low Z  
Long range

Middle Z  
Middle range

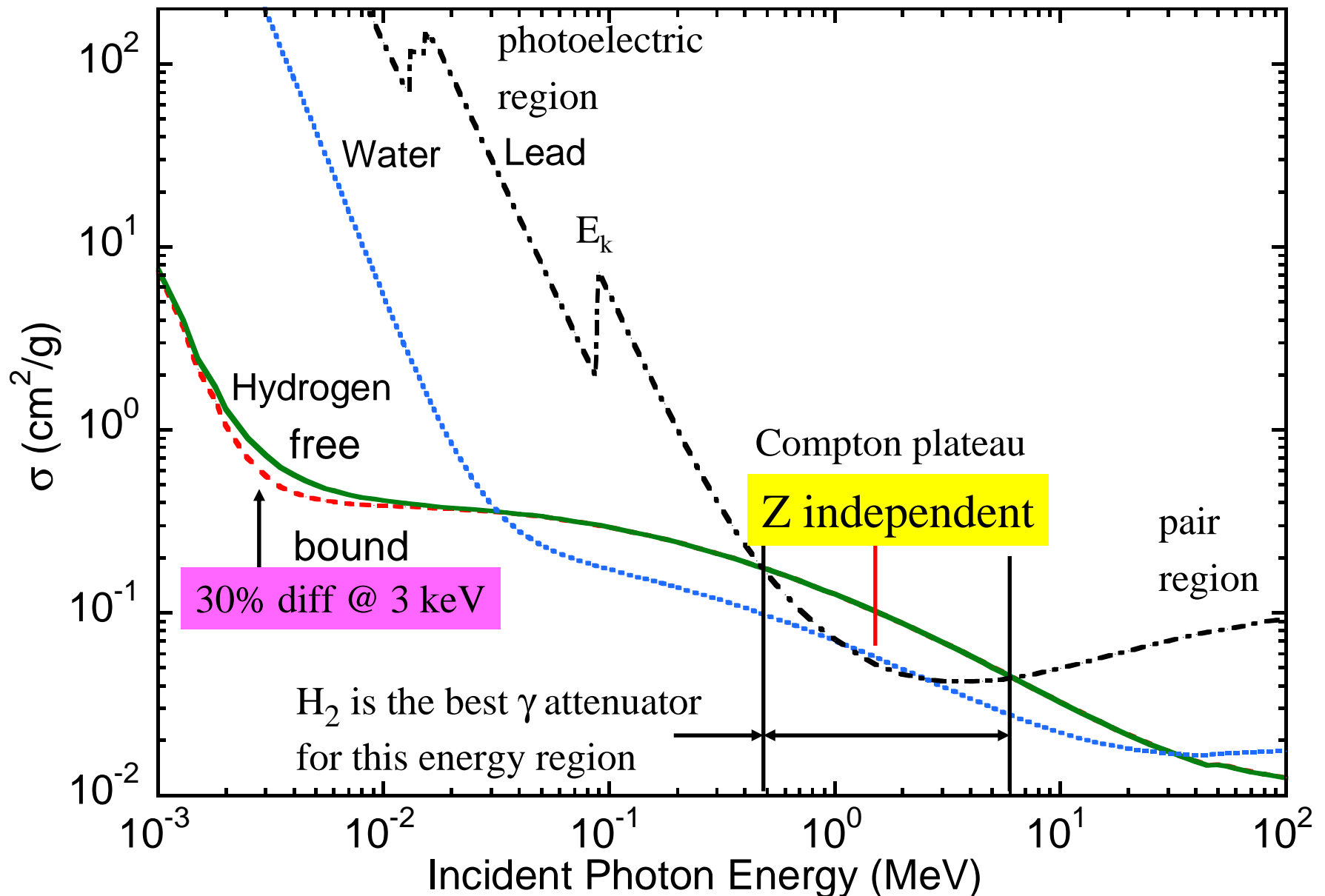
High Z  
Short MFP

# CSDA range of $\alpha$ and $\beta$ ray

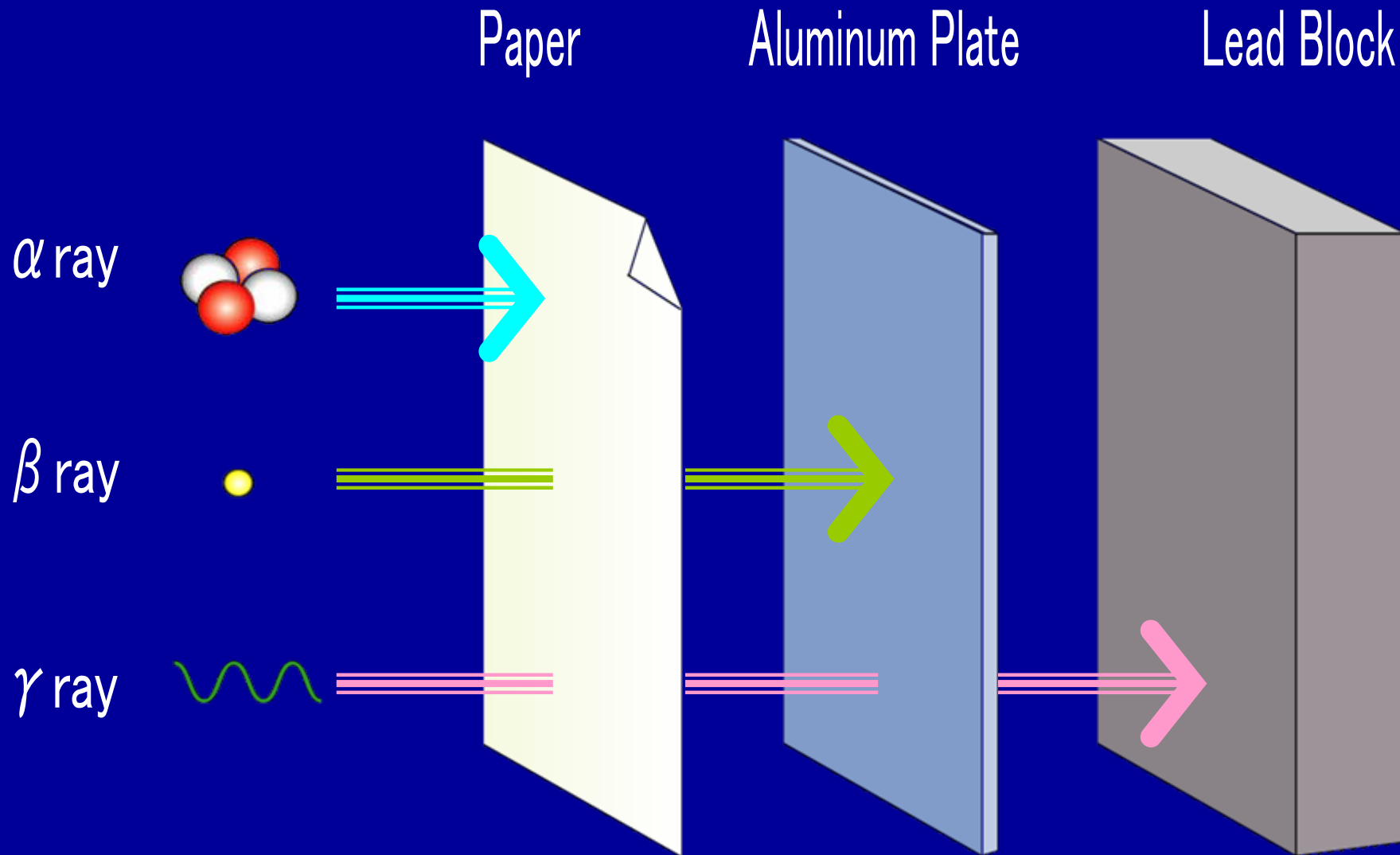
(Almost) independent of Z



# Total photon $\Sigma$ vs $\gamma$ -energy



# Penetration of radiation



In reality,  $\alpha$  ray and  $\beta$  ray range ( $\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ) or  $\gamma$  ray MFP is (almost) independent of  $Z$ !

# End of Electron Monte Carlo Simulation