

# Status on SDT simulation

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# Update

- Have investigated the topic around the estimation of  $dE/dx$  and its resolution

# Energy loss ( -dE/dx )

<http://pdg.lbl.gov/2020/reviews/rpp2020-rev-passage-particles-matter.pdf>

$$\left\langle -\frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle = K z^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 W_{\max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right].$$

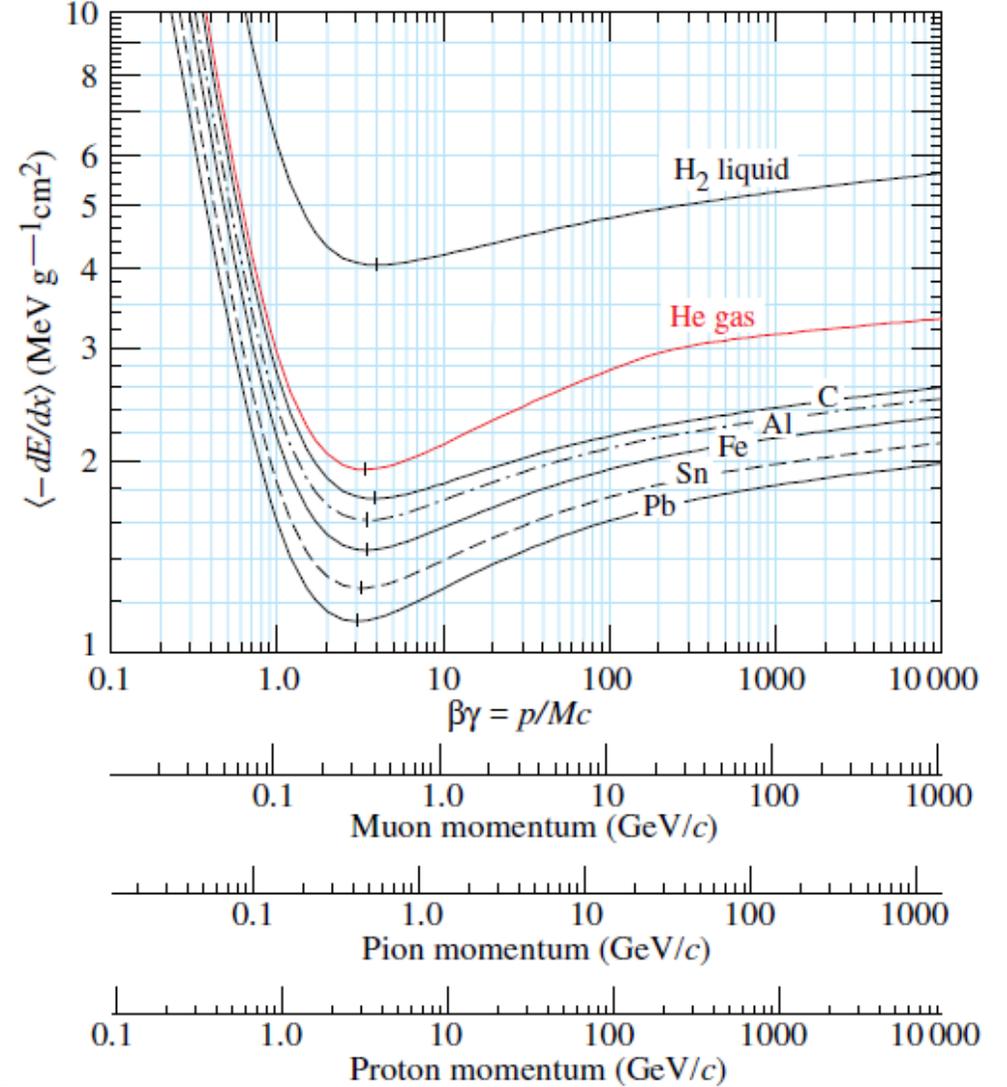
For,  $_{18}\text{Ar}$  (gas), one of typical gas in chamber,  
 $\rho(\text{density}) = 1.662\text{e-}3 \text{ g/cm}^3$

➡  $-\text{dE}/\text{dx} \sim 2 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{cm}^2/\text{g}$   
 ➡ loss per unit length 1.3 KeV/cm

$$W_{\max} = \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2}{1 + 2\gamma m_e/M + (m_e/M)^2} \sim 2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2$$

(M: incident particle mass)

$$K = 4\pi N_{\text{Ar}} z^2 m_e c^2 \quad \quad \quad 0.307075 \text{ MeV mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^2$$



# Ref: variable table

Table 34.1: Summary of variables used in this section. The kinematic variables  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  have their usual relativistic meanings.

Symb.	Definition	Value or (usual) units
$m_e c^2$	electron mass $\times c^2$	0.510 998 9461(31) MeV
$r_e$	classical electron radius $e^2/4\pi\epsilon_0 m_e c^2$	2.817 940 3227(19) fm
$\alpha$	fine structure constant $e^2/4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar c$	1/137.035 999 139(31)
$N_A$	Avogadro's number	6.022 140 857(74) $\times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
$\rho$	density	$\text{g cm}^{-3}$
$x$	mass per unit area	$\text{g cm}^{-2}$
$M$	incident particle mass	$\text{MeV}/c^2$
$E$	incident part. energy $\gamma M c^2$	MeV
$T$	kinetic energy, $(\gamma - 1) M c^2$	MeV
$W$	energy transfer to an electron in a single collision	MeV
$W_{\max}$	Maximum possible energy transfer to an electron in a single collision	MeV
$k$	bremsstrahlung photon energy	MeV
$z$	charge number of incident particle	
$Z$	atomic number of absorber	
$A$	atomic mass of absorber	$\text{g mol}^{-1}$
$K$	$4\pi N_A r_e^2 m_e c^2$ (Coefficient for $dE/dx$ )	0.307 075 $\text{MeV mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^2$
$I$	mean excitation energy	eV ( <i>Nota bene!</i> )
$\delta(\beta\gamma)$	density effect correction to ionization energy loss	
$\hbar\omega_p$	plasma energy $\sqrt{4\pi N_e r_e^3} m_e c^2 / \alpha$	$\sqrt{\rho \langle Z/A \rangle} \times 28.816 \text{ eV}$ $\downarrow$ $\rho$ in $\text{g cm}^{-3}$
$N_e$	electron density	(units of $r_e$ ) $^{-3}$
$w_j$	weight fraction of the $j$ th element in a compound or mixt.	
$n_j$	$\alpha$ number of $j$ th kind of atoms in a compound or mixture	
$X_0$	radiation length	$\text{g cm}^{-2}$
$E_c$	critical energy for electrons	MeV
$E_{\mu c}$	critical energy for muons	GeV
$E_s$	scale energy $\sqrt{4\pi/\alpha} m_e c^2$	21.2052 MeV
$R_M$	Molière radius	$\text{g cm}^{-2}$

# Resolution of dE/dx

<http://pdg.lbl.gov/2020/reviews/rpp2020-rev-particle-detectors-accel.pdf>

- Straight forward way would be ...
  - dE/dx (per unit cell) is proportional to the number of electron/hole pairs  
typical number is  $\sim 100$  ( per cm )
  - signal multiplication ( = gain )  
factor,  $10^4 \sim 10^5$  , the total number of carriers, within the drift time is obtained.
  - need to consider the electronics response: the filter ( RC filter ), amplifier, and electronics noise ( important )

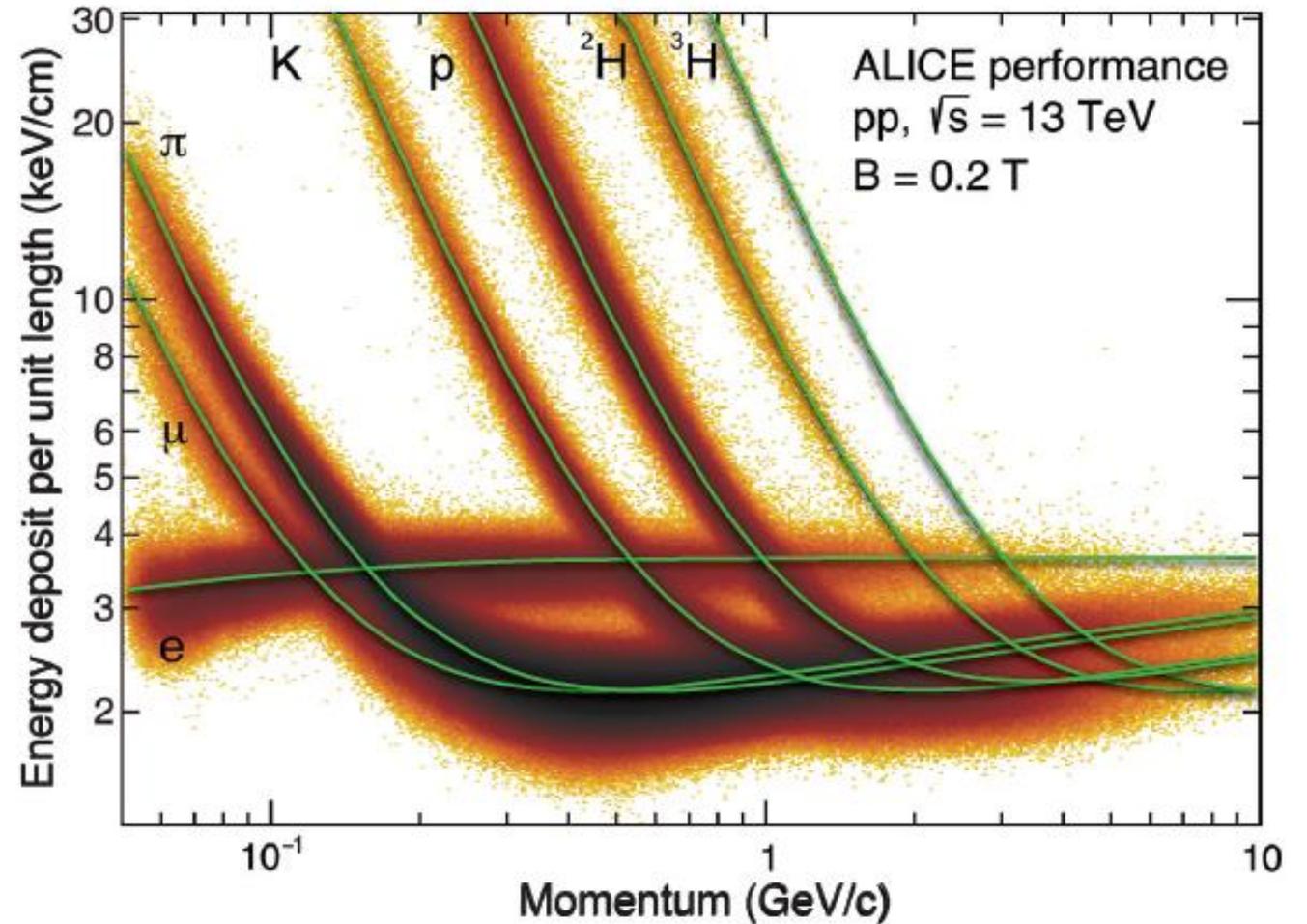


Figure 35.15: Energy deposit versus momentum measured in the ALICE TPC.

➔ Combining those steps, we can estimate the resolution

# Resolution of dE/dx

The dependence of the achievable energy resolution on the number of measurements  $N$ , on the thickness of the sampling layers  $t$ , and on the gas pressure  $P$  can be estimated using an empirical formula [135]:

$$\sigma_{dE/dx} = 0.41 N^{-0.43} (t P)^{-0.32}. \quad (35.17)$$

Typical values at nominal pressure are  $\sigma_{dE/dx} = 4.5$  to  $7.5\%$ , with  $t = 0.4$  to  $1.5$  cm and  $N = 40$  up to more than  $300$ . Due to the high gas pressure of  $8.5$  bar, the resolution achieved with the PEP-4/9 TPC was an unprecedented  $3\%$  [136].

[136] H. Aihara *et al.*, IEEE Trans. NS30, 63 (1983).

- It is an old reference of the resolution for a TPC
- Not sure(confirmed) yet, what condition should be met to apply this formula

For instance,  $s \sim 0.41 * 222(\text{layers})^{-0.5} * (1\text{cm} * 1\text{atm})^{-0.32} = 2.8\%$   $\longleftrightarrow$   $5 \sim 7\%$  ? % is somehow we can see in the references