

# BREMSSTRAHLUNG IN A THIN LAYER OF MATTER AT HIGH ENERGY

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# 1. SLAC experiment E-146

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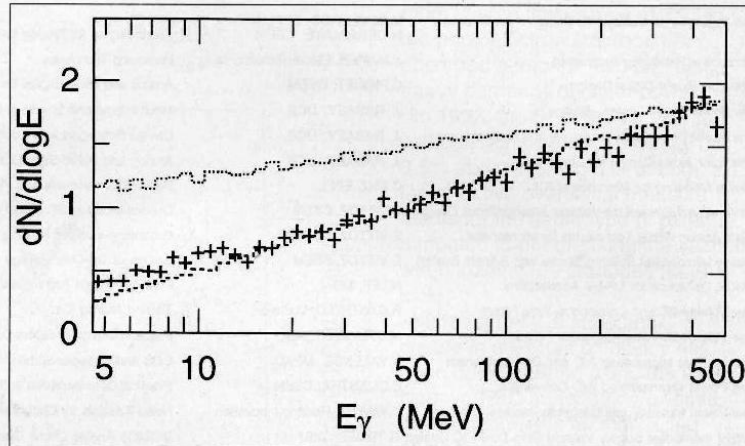
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### STANFORD (SLAC) Photon theory verified after 40 years

*Developed by Landau, Pomeranchuk, and Migdal forty years ago, the LPM effect predicts that the production of low energy photons by high energy electrons should be suppressed in dense media.*

*In 1993 this was finally verified at Stanford (SLAC). The diagram compares data (crosses) with Monte Carlo simulations - one (dashed line) including LPM suppression and the other (dotted line) ignoring it - for 25 GeV electrons on uranium. Data recorded with two different targets were subtracted to remove edge effects.*

A collaboration of physicists from the University of California at Santa Cruz (UCSC), the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC), American University and Livermore has verified a theory that is almost forty years old.

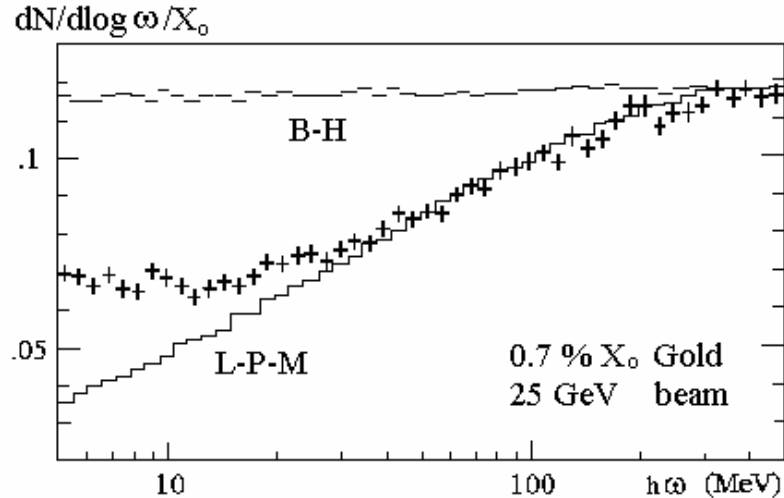


In SLAC experiment E-146, 25 GeV electrons passed through slim targets of carbon, aluminum, iron, gold, lead, tungsten and uranium — as well as a very thin gold target. After traversing the target, the electrons were de-

The E-146 data confirm that the LPM effect exists. The magnitude of the suppression in dense media such as uranium is consistent with Migdal's prediction. Lighter targets such as carbon show little suppres-

# 1. SLAC experiment E-146

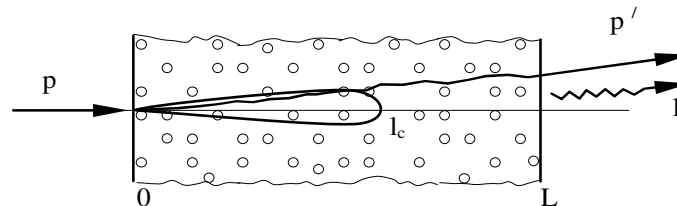
Anthony P.L. et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **75** (1995) 1949.



F.F. Ternovskii. *JETP* **12**(1961)123.

## 2. Theory of the LPM effect

### Multiple scattering effect on radiation of relativistic electron in amorphous medium



L.D. Landau, I.Yu. Pomeranchuk, Dokl. Akad. Nauk SSSR **92** (1953) 735

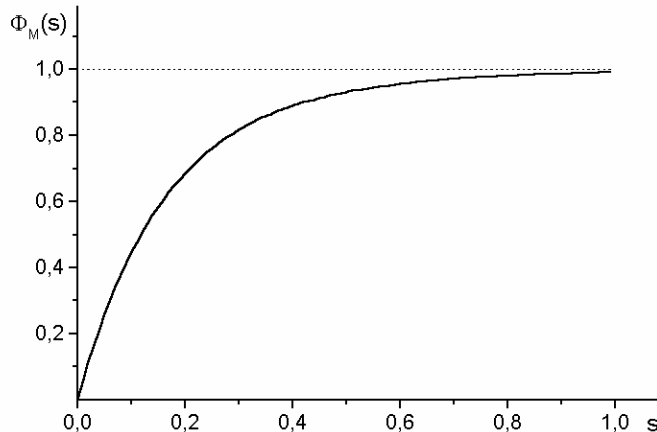
$$\overline{\vartheta}_{l_c} > \gamma^{-1} : \quad \text{suppression of radiation} : \quad \frac{dE_{LP}}{d\omega} < \frac{dE_{BH}}{d\omega}$$

$$l_c = 2\varepsilon\varepsilon' / m^2\omega$$

## Quantitative theory of the effect in a boundless amorphous medium:

A.B. Migdal, Dokl. Akad. Nauk SSSR **96** (1954) 49; JETP **32** (1957) 633.

$$\frac{dE_{LPM}}{d\omega} = \frac{dE_{BH}}{d\omega} \cdot \Phi_M(s), \quad \Phi_M(s) = 24s^2 \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} dt \operatorname{cth} t \ e^{-2st} \sin 2st - \frac{\pi}{4} \right\}$$



$$\frac{dE_{BH}}{d\omega} = \frac{4}{3} \frac{T}{L}$$

$$s = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{\omega_{LPM}}}$$

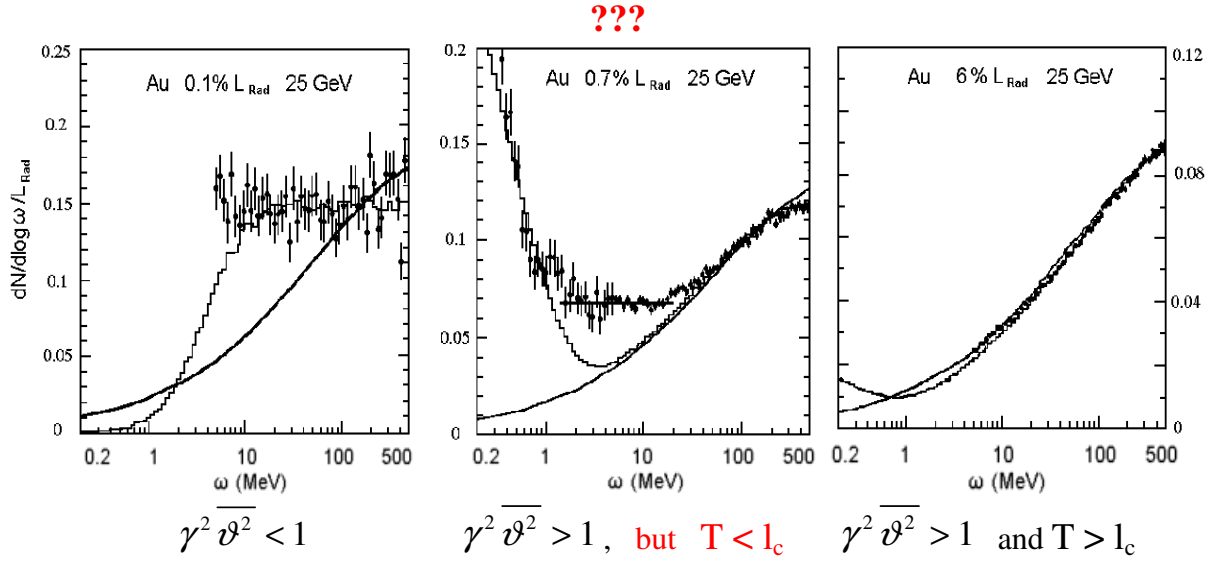
$$\omega_{LPM} = 2q\gamma^4 \sim \gamma^2$$

$$q = \frac{\epsilon_s^2}{\epsilon^2} \frac{1}{L}$$

$$\frac{dE_{LPM}}{d\omega} \sim \sqrt{\omega}$$

## SLAC experiment E-146

Klein S., Rev. Mod. Phys. 71 (1999) 1501.

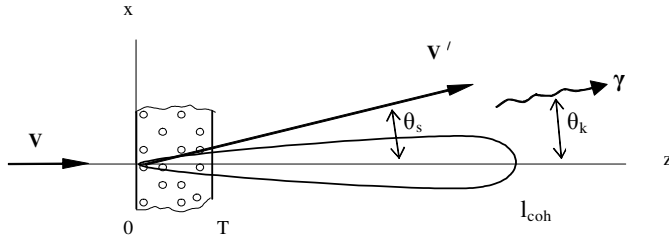


### 3. Radiation in a thin layer of matter

$$\underline{l_c \gg T}$$

Shul'ga N.F., Fomin S.P., JETP Letters **27** (1978)126.

Fomin S.P., Shul'ga N.F., Physics Letters **A114** (1986)148.



$$\frac{d^2 E}{d\omega d\Omega} = \frac{e^2 \omega^2}{4\pi^2} [\vec{n} \times \vec{I}]^2$$

$$\vec{I} = i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i(\omega t - \vec{k}\vec{r}(t))} \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\vec{v}}{\omega - \vec{k}\vec{v}}$$

$$\underline{l_c \gg T}: \quad \vec{I} \approx i \left( \frac{\vec{v}'}{\omega - \vec{k}\vec{v}'} - \frac{\vec{v}}{\omega - \vec{k}\vec{v}} \right); \quad \frac{dE}{d\omega} = \frac{2e^2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{2\xi^2 + 1}{\xi\sqrt{\xi^2 + 1}} \ln(\xi + \sqrt{\xi^2 + 1}) - 1 \right], \quad \xi = \frac{1}{2} \gamma \vartheta$$

$$\frac{dE}{d\omega} \approx \begin{cases} \frac{3e^2}{\pi} \xi^2, & \xi^2 \ll 1, \\ \frac{2e^2}{\pi} \ln(4\xi^2), & \xi^2 \gg 1. \end{cases} \quad \frac{dE}{d\omega} \approx \begin{cases} T, & \xi^2 \ll 1, \\ \ln T, & \xi^2 \gg 1. \end{cases}$$



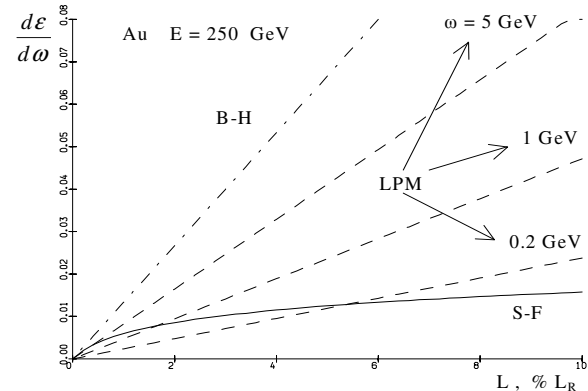
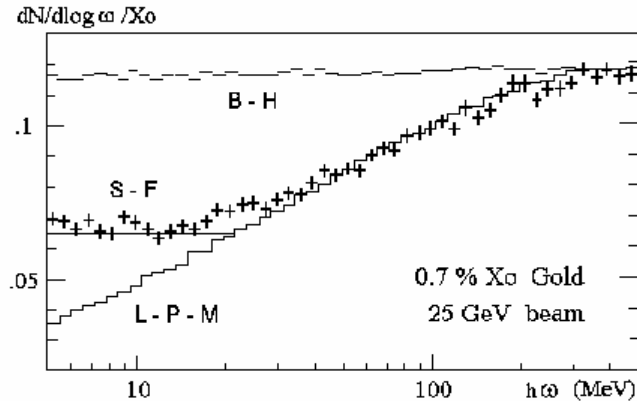
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Shul'ga N.F., Fomin S.P., JETP Lett. **63** (1996) 873; JETP **86** (1998) 32; NIM **B145** (1998) 73.

$$\left\langle \frac{dE}{d\omega} \right\rangle = \int d\vec{\vartheta}_s f(\vec{\vartheta}_s) \frac{dE}{d\omega}, \quad f_{B-M}(\vartheta) = \frac{1}{2\pi_0} \int_0^\infty \eta d\eta J_0(\eta\vartheta) \exp \left\{ -2\chi_c^2 \int_0^\infty \chi d\chi q(\chi) \chi^{-4} [1 - J_0(\eta\chi)] \right\},$$

$\gamma^2 \vartheta^2 > 1$ :  $\frac{dE}{d\omega} = \frac{2e^2}{\pi} \left[ (\ln a^2 - C) \left( 1 + \frac{2}{a^2} \right) + \frac{2}{a^2} + \frac{C}{B} - 1 \right]$ ,  $a^2 = \gamma^2 \overline{\vartheta^2}$ ,  $\overline{\vartheta^2} = \chi_c^2 B$ ,

$$B - \ln B = \ln(\epsilon^2 R^2 \chi_c^2) + 1 - 2C, \quad \chi_c^2 = 4\pi nLZ^2 e^4 / \epsilon^2, \quad C = 0,577$$



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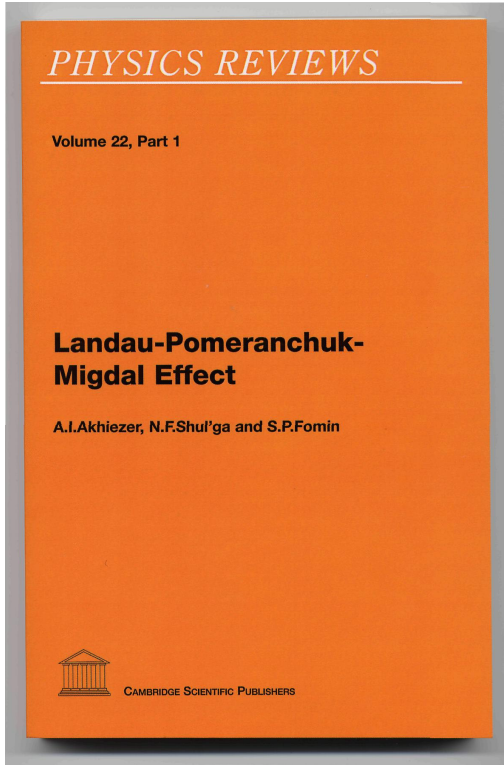
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## 4. CERN experiment NA63 (2005)

PHYSICAL REVIEW D 72, 112001 (2005)

### Formation length effects in very thin targets

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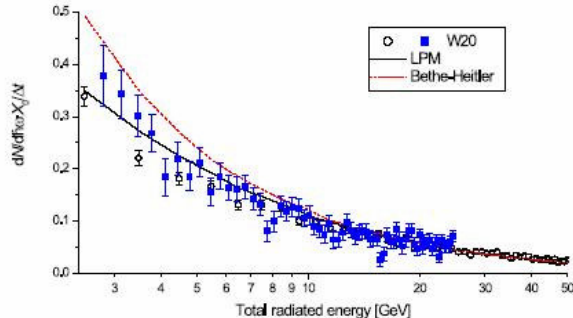


FIG. 5: Normalized bremsstrahlung spectrum,  $dN/dh\omega \cdot X_0/\Delta t$ , for 178 GeV positrons on 4 layers of 20  $\mu\text{m}$  W with 100  $\mu\text{m}$  LDPE spacers. The vertical scale is normalized to the number of incoming positrons and the thickness in units of the radiation length. The meaning of the symbols is as in figure 2.

#### B. Thin target—Ternovskii-Shul’ga-Fomin effect

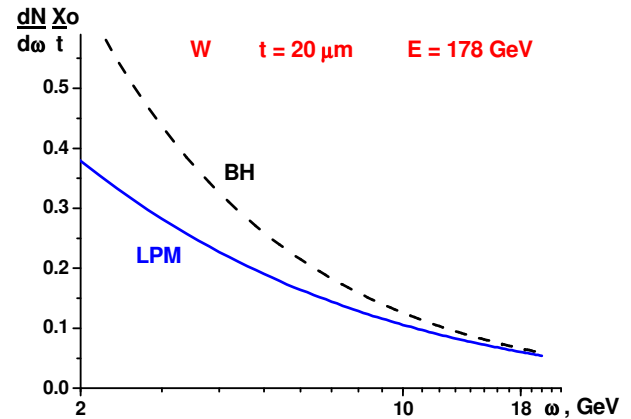
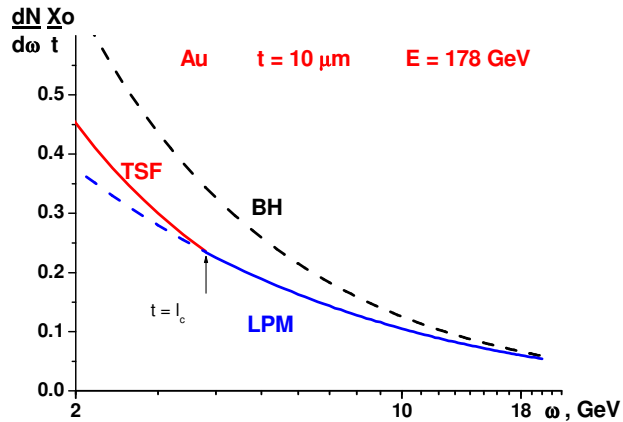
Because the formation length for radiation emission increases with decreasing photon frequency, at a certain point the formation zone extends beyond the thickness of the foil. In this case, the radiation yield also becomes suppressed. Theoretical studies of this effect were first performed by Ternovskii [6] and later extended by Shul’ga and Fomin [5,7–11]. The phenomenon is also of substantial interest in QCD [16–19].

For the Ternovskii-Shul’ga-Fomin (TSF) effect, the analysis is applicable for target thicknesses  $l_\gamma \ll \Delta t < l_f$ , see e.g. [10]. Combining the formation length and the target thickness parametrized by  $k_f > 1$ ,  $\Delta t = l_f/k_f$ , the effect becomes appreciable for photon energies

$$\hbar\omega < \hbar\omega_{\text{TSF}} = \frac{E}{1 + \frac{\Delta t}{2\gamma\lambda_c}}, \quad (2)$$

## 4. CERN experiment NA63 (2005)

Results of our calculations:



## 4. CERN experiment NA63 (2008)

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### On the macroscopic formation length for GeV photons

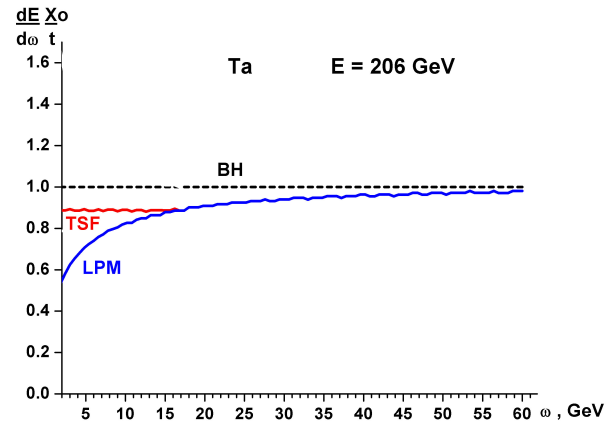
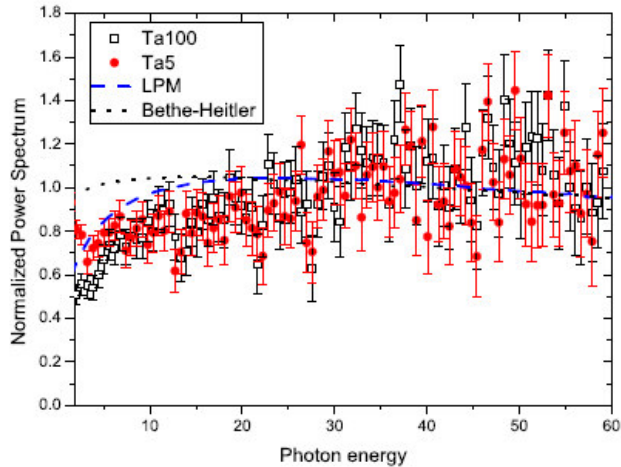
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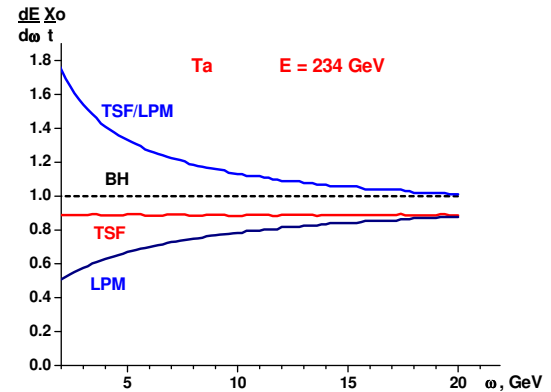
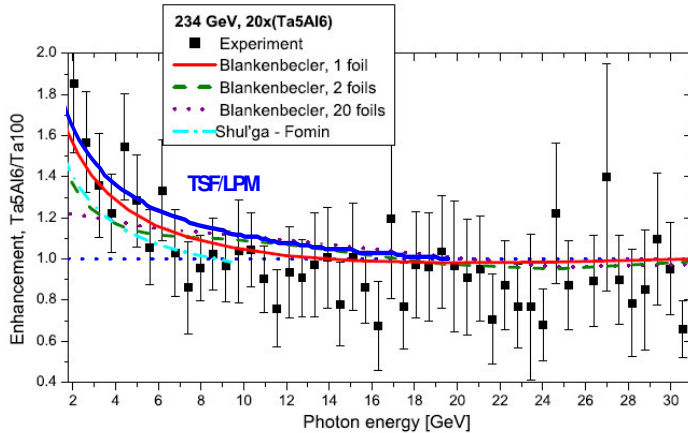
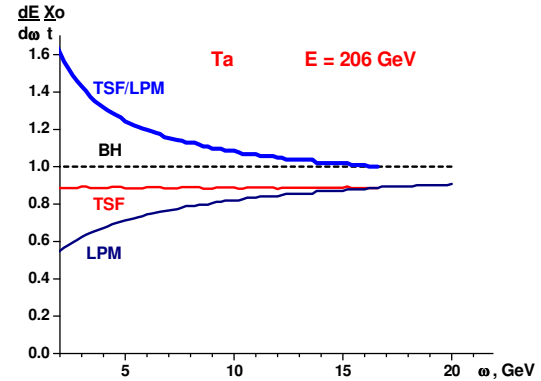
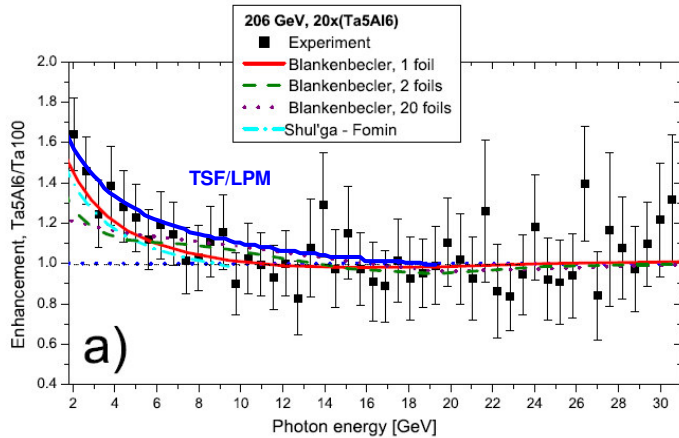
#### Abstract

Experimental results for the radiative energy loss of 206 and 234 GeV electrons in 5-10  $\mu\text{m}$  thin Ta targets are presented. An increase in radiation emission probability at low photon energies compared to a 100  $\mu\text{m}$  thick target is observed. This increase is due to the formation length of the GeV photons exceeding the thickness of the thin foils, the so-called Ternovskii-Shul'ga-Fomin (TSF) effect. The formation length of GeV photons from a multi-hundred GeV projectile is through the TSF effect shown directly to be a factor  $10^{10}$  longer than their wavelength.

## 4. CERN experiment NA63 (2008)

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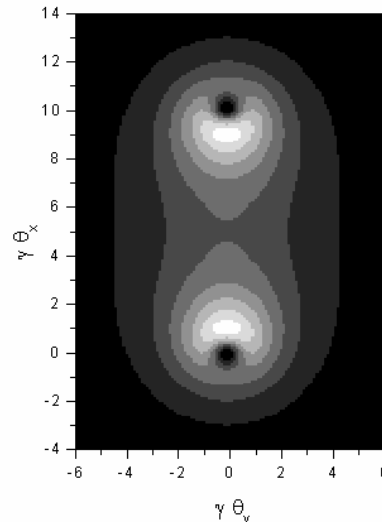
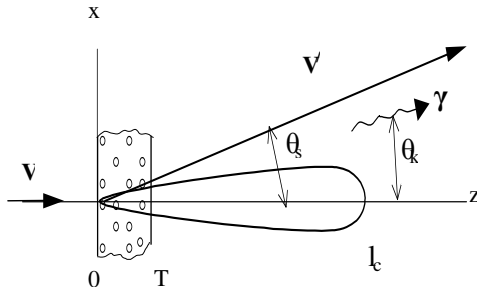


## 5. Spectral-angular distribution of radiation $I_{\text{coh}} \gg T$

Fomin S.P., Shul'ga N.F. and Shul'ga S.N., Phys. of Atomic Nuclei **66** (2003) 396.

$$\frac{d^2E}{d\omega d\Omega} = \frac{e^2 \gamma^2}{\pi^2} \left\{ \frac{1 + \alpha^2 + \alpha^2 \beta^2 + 2\alpha\beta \cos\varphi}{1 + \alpha^2 + \beta^2 - 2\alpha\beta \cos\varphi} \frac{1}{(1 + \alpha^2)^2} - \frac{1}{(1 + \alpha^2 + \beta^2 - 2\alpha\beta \cos\varphi)^2} \right\},$$

$$\alpha = \gamma \vartheta_k, \quad \beta = \gamma \vartheta_e$$



## 6. Polarization at non-dipole regime of radiation $\overline{\vartheta}_{1c} > \gamma^{-1}$

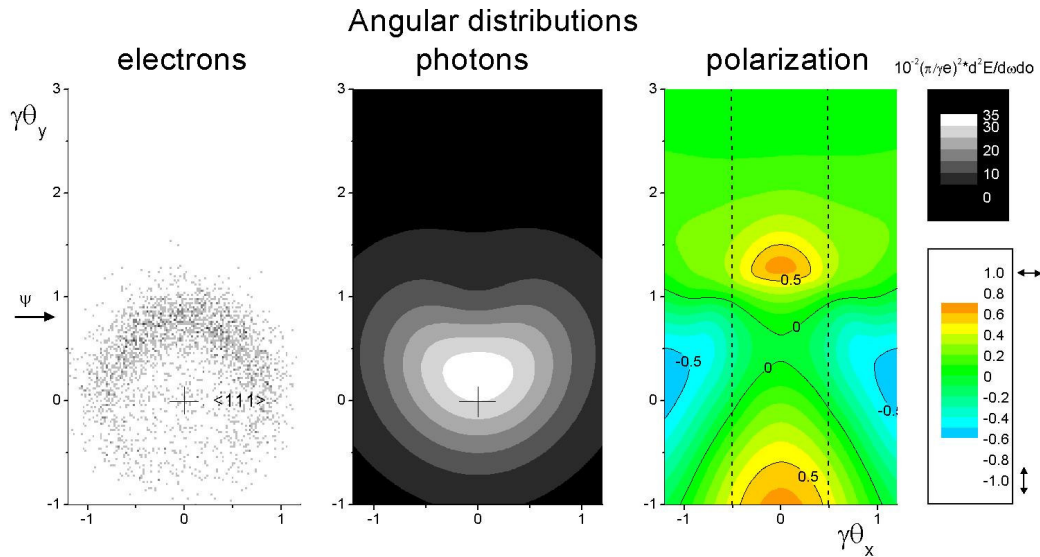
**Polarization matrix:** 
$$J_{ik} = \frac{e^2 \omega^2}{4\pi^2} (\vec{e}_i \vec{I})(\vec{e}_k \vec{I}), \quad \text{где } \vec{e}_{i,k} \vec{n} = 0, \quad \vec{e}_i \vec{e}_k = \delta_{ik}.$$

**Linear polarization:** 
$$P = \frac{J_{11} - J_{22}}{J_{11} + J_{22}}$$

**Circular polarization:** 
$$P_C = \frac{J_{12} - J_{21}}{J_{11} + J_{22}}.$$

$I_{\text{coh}} \gg T$ : 
$$J_{ik} = J_{ki} \Rightarrow \underline{P_C = 0} \quad \underline{\text{for any angles of observation.}}$$

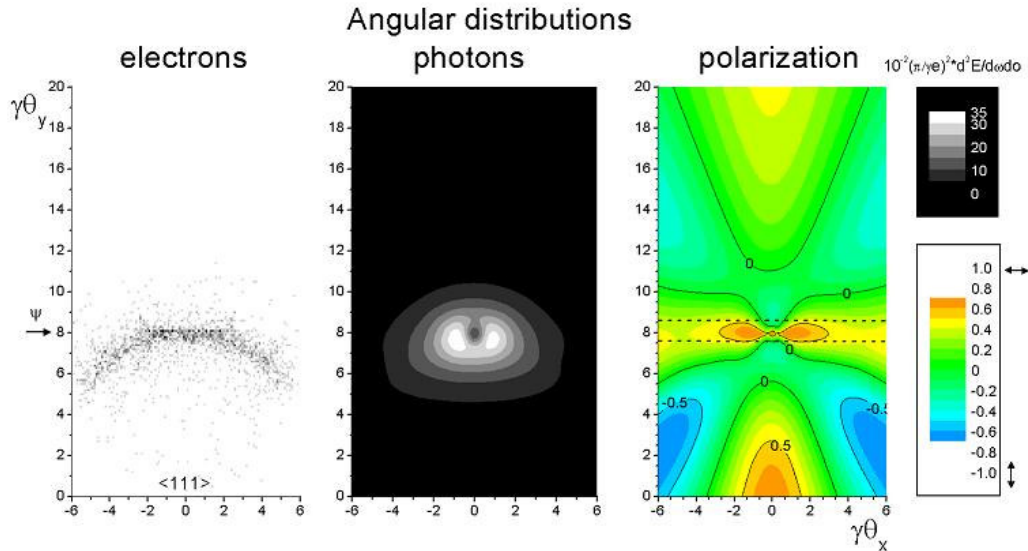
Dipole regime of radiation:  $\overline{\vartheta}_{lc} < \gamma^{-1}$



Si <111>    T = 10  $\mu\text{m}$     E = 1 GeV     $\psi = \psi_C$

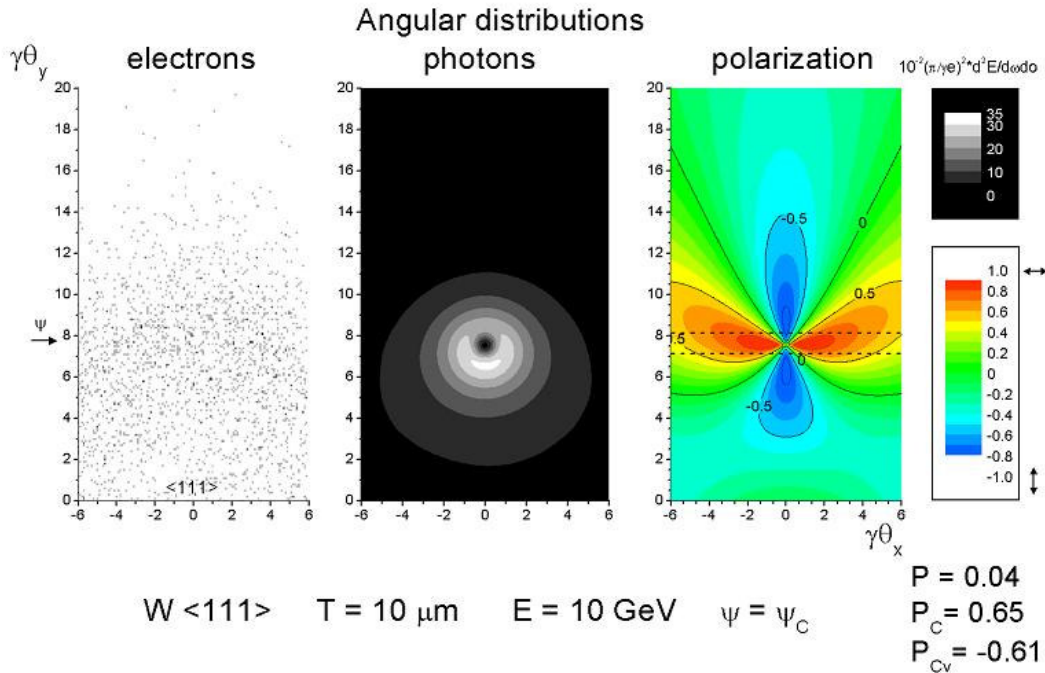
P = 0.08  
P<sub>C</sub> = 0.14

Non-dipole regime of radiation:  $\overline{\vartheta}_{lc} > \gamma^{-1}$



Si  $\langle 111 \rangle$      $T = 10 \mu\text{m}$      $E = 100 \text{ GeV}$      $\psi = \psi_C$

$P = 0.09$   
 $P_C = 0.48$



## Conclusion

- The multiple scattering effect on radiation spectrum of ultra-relativistic electrons in a thin layer of matter (TSF effect) was observed successfully at CERN experiment NA63 for electron energies 206 and 234 GeV.
- The multiple scattering effects significantly the spectral-angular distribution of radiation of ultra-relativistic electrons in a thin amorphous target and in aligned crystal.
- The special features of non-dipole regime of ultra-relativistic electron radiation in aligned crystals can be used to obtain the linear polarized high intensity photon beam with “vertical” and “horizontal” direction of polarization simultaneously.
- It is necessary to carry out the corresponding experimental investigation to verify mentioned above effects in spectral-angular distribution of radiation and its polarization.

**THANK YOU FOR ATTENTION !**