

Structure function of excess charge in Rock Salt



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Introduction

SND group is aiming at detecting GZK

Standard GZK Flux :
~ 1 per km² per day

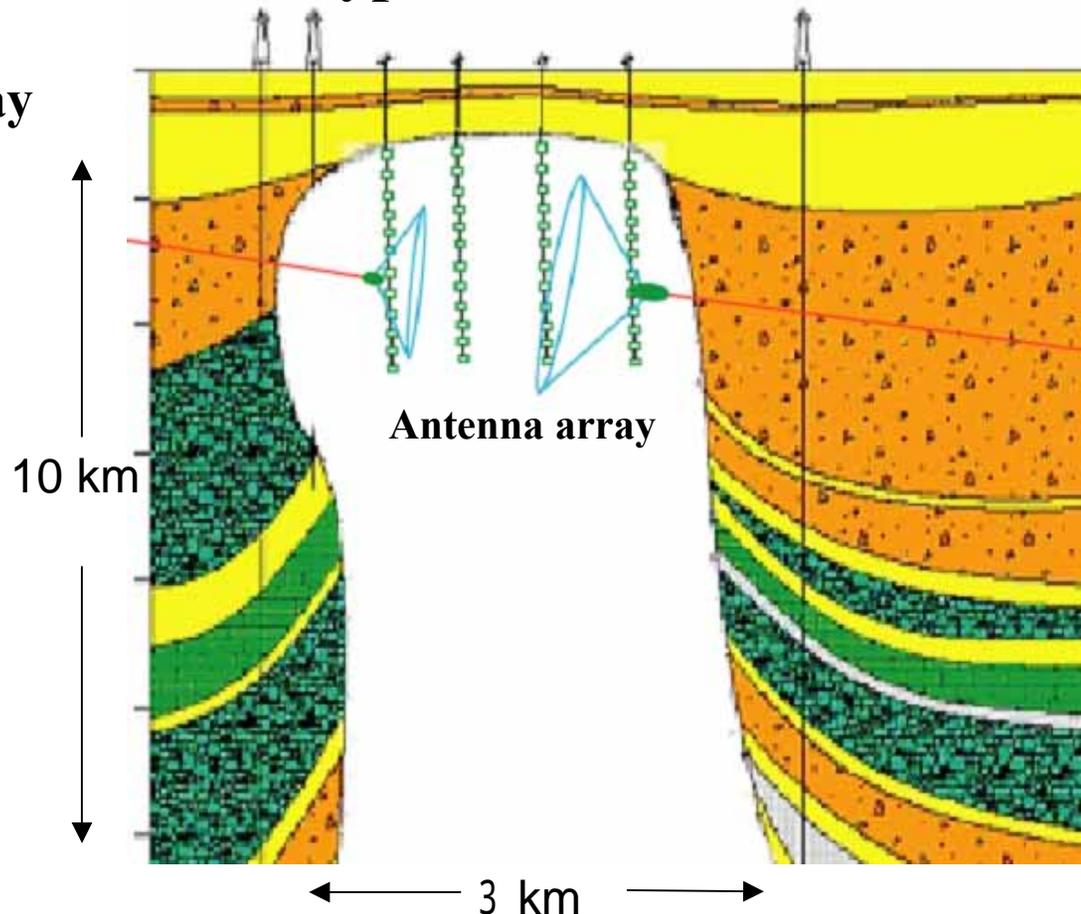


We need a large detector !!

SND

- **Detector medium:**
Salt dome
- **Detect Cherenkov radio emission**

Typical Salt dome



Comparison of Rock salt & Ice with high energy EM shower

| | Ice | Rock salt |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----------|
| Refractive index n | 1.78 | 2.43 |
| Cherenkov threshold energy for electron $E_{th}(\text{KeV})$ | 107 | 50 |
| Density ρ (g/cm ³) | 0.92 | 2.22 |
| Radiation length t_R (cm) | 36 | 10 |

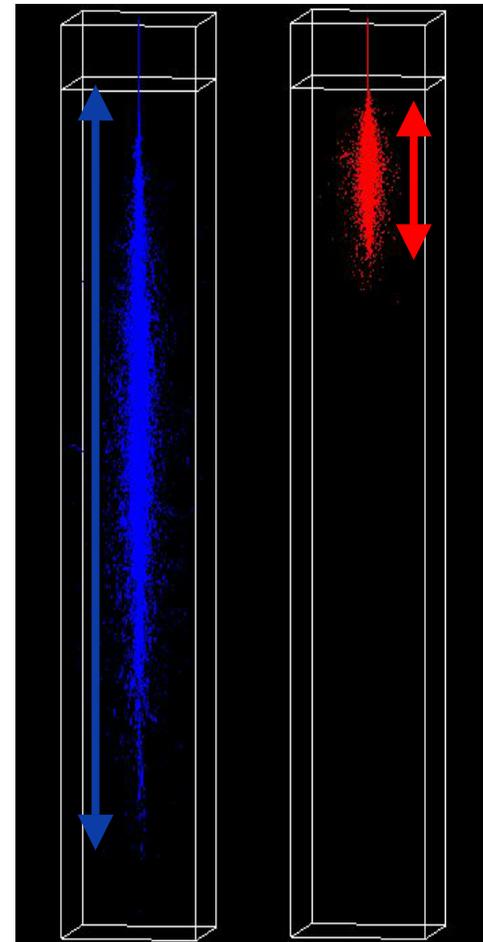
- EM shower size of rock salt is small
Coherence is strong
- Rock salt is appropriated than ice with radio emission

33 Radiation length
~ 12 m

1 PeV EM shower

Ice

Rock salt



33 Radiation Length
~ 3.3 m

Askaryan effect

(= Coherent Cherenkov Process)

- EM cascades produced in neutrino interactions
- Number of electrons is larger than positrons in EM cascades
: excess electrons
- Excess electrons radiate radio wave coherently

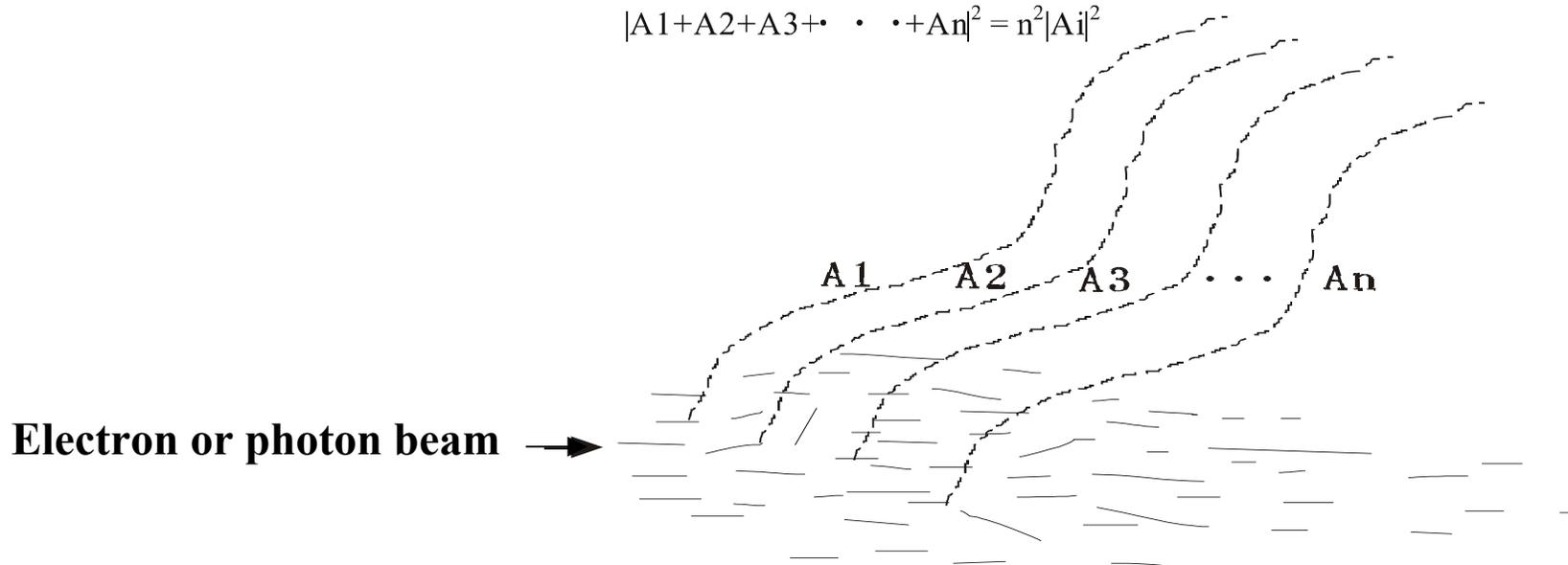
(Distance between excess electrons \ll Radio wavelength)

Power of radio wave E^2 (E: EM cascade energy)

It has been confirmed by the SLAC experiment.

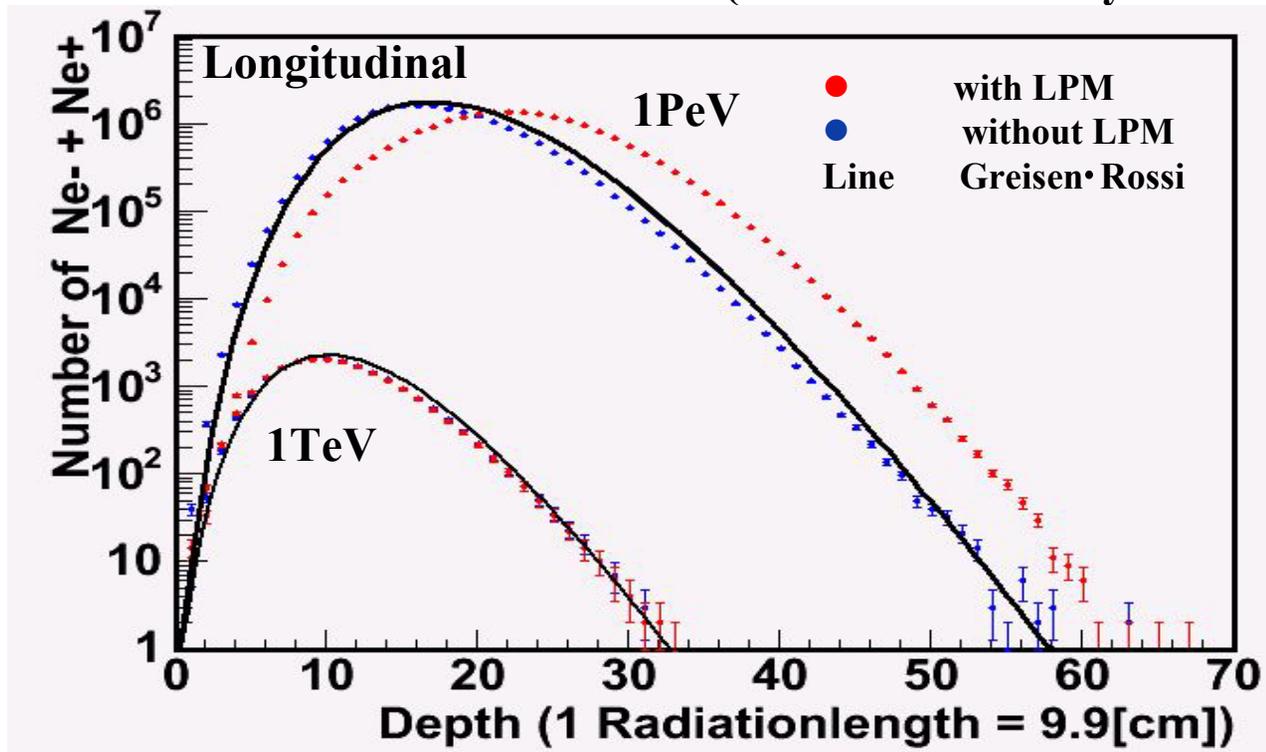
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$$|A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + \dots + A_n|^2 = n^2 |A_i|^2$$



EM Cascade Simulation with Geant4.5.2

- Incidence electron energy : 1TeV ~ 10PeV, Threshold energy: 1MeV
- Without LPM: Brems. (E >100TeV) = (E =100TeV)
Conversion (E >100GeV) = (E =100GeV)
- LPM is included in electron and positron Brems., not yet in Conversion
- The result was compared with other calculations
Longitudinal : Approximation B, Greisen, Rossi
(Review of modern physics , volume 13,1941, P240)
Lateral : NKG function (Handbuch der PhysikXLVI/2,1967,1)



Structure function (Longitudinal)

Greisen, Rossi

$$N(t) = \frac{0.31}{\sqrt{\ln\left(\frac{E_0}{\varepsilon_0}\right)}} \exp\left[t\left(1 - \frac{3}{2} \ln\left(\frac{3t}{t + 2 \ln\left(\frac{E_0}{\varepsilon_0}\right)}\right)\right)\right]$$



$$N(t) = \frac{\alpha_L}{\sqrt{\ln\left(\frac{E_0}{\varepsilon_0}\right)}} \exp\left[t\left(1 - \beta_L \ln\left(\frac{\gamma_L t}{t + \chi_L \ln\left(\frac{E_0}{\varepsilon_0}\right)}\right)\right)\right]$$



$$N(t) = \frac{\alpha_L \cdot 0.22}{\sqrt{\ln\left(\frac{E_0}{\varepsilon_0}\right)}} \exp\left[t\left(1 - \beta_L \ln\left(\frac{\gamma_L t}{t + \chi_L \ln\left(\frac{E_0}{\varepsilon_0}\right)}\right)\right)\right]$$

| | |
|----------------|------------------|
| t | Radiation length |
| E ₀ | Primary energy |
| ε ₀ | Critical energy |

LPM Correction

Coefficient replacement

$$0.31 \rightarrow \alpha_L \quad \frac{3}{2} \rightarrow \beta_L$$

$$3 \rightarrow \gamma_L \quad 2 \rightarrow \chi_L$$

Excess electrons

**Excess track rate: $\tau = 0.22$
at 1PeV**

$$\eta_T = \frac{(\text{Excess track length})}{(\text{Total track length})}$$

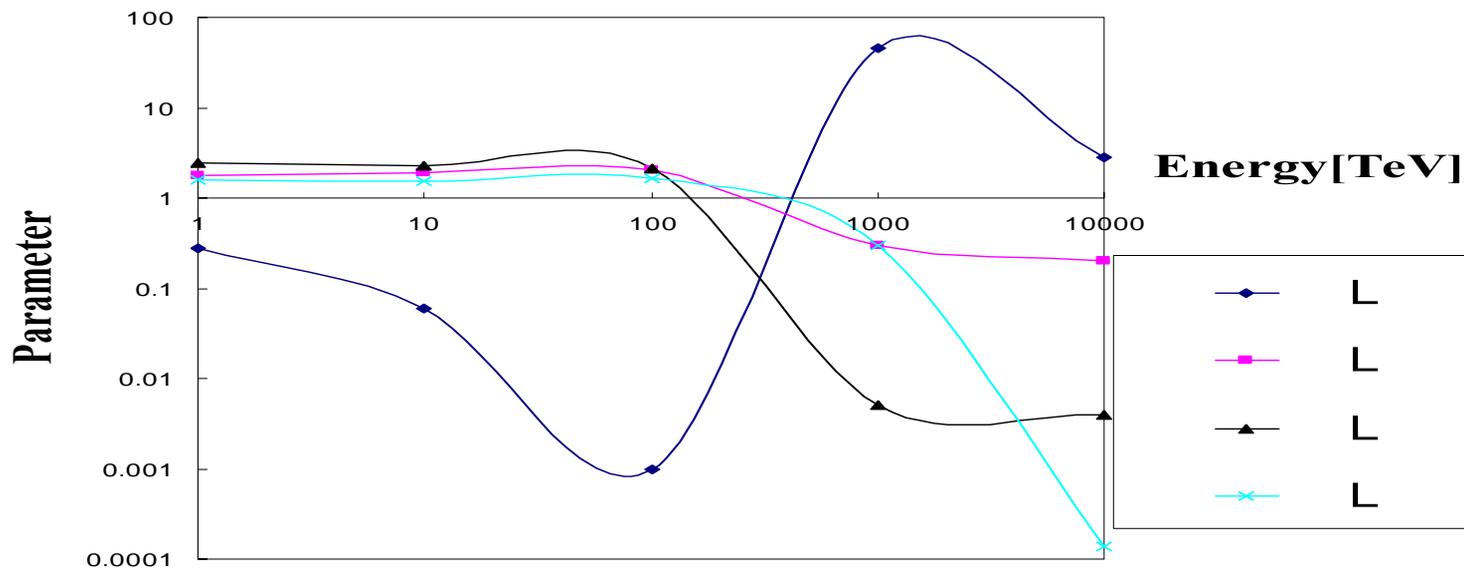
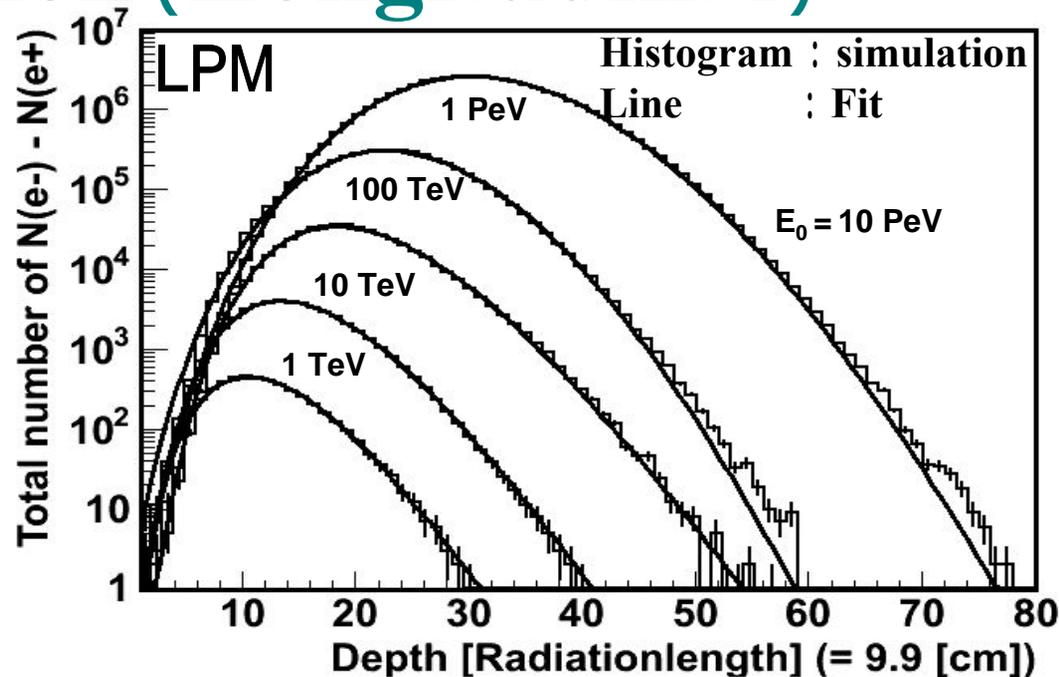
Structure function (Longitudinal)

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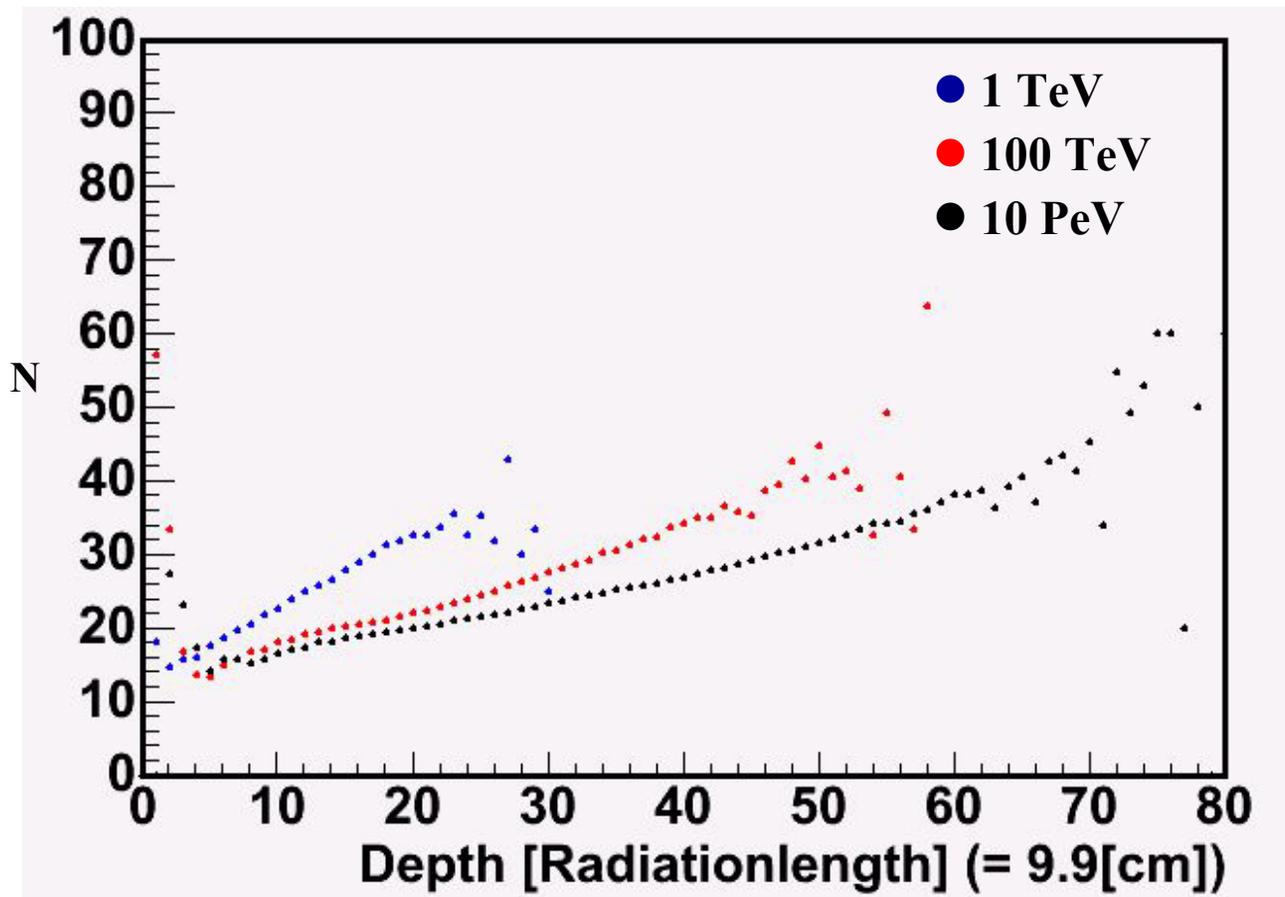
● $E_0 < 100\text{TeV}$

$L \sim 2.0, \quad L \sim 2.2, \quad L \sim 1.6$



Excess number rate

- **Excess number rate:** $N = (N_e^- - N_e^+) / (N_e^- + N_e^+)$
- N increases with depth
- : Conversion decreases at large depth Number of positrons decreases



Structure function (Lateral)

NKG

$$N_{\text{Lat}}(t, t_R) = \frac{N(t_R)}{t_M^2} t^{s-1} (1+t)^{s-4.5}$$



$$N_{\text{Lat}}(t, t_R) = \frac{N(t_R)}{t_M^2} t^{s-\beta_T} (1+t)^{s-\gamma_T}$$



$$N_{\text{Lat}}(t, t_R) = \alpha_T \frac{N_L(t_R)}{t_M^2} t^{s-\beta_T} (1+t)^{s-\gamma_T}$$

Age parameter correction

Replacement

$$1 \rightarrow \beta_T \quad 4.5 \rightarrow \gamma_T$$

LPM correction

$$N(t_R) \rightarrow \alpha_T N_L(t_R)$$

t Molliere length $t_M = 4.6[\text{cm}]$ (Molliere length of Rock salt)

t_R Radiation length

N_{Lat}(t, t_R) Area density [/cm²]

N(t_R) Number of total electrons in t_R ~ t_R + 1

N_L(t_R) Number of excess electrons in t_R ~ t_R + 1

s age parameter (Shower maximum: s = 1)

$$s = \frac{3 t_R}{t_R + 2 \left(\frac{E_0}{\epsilon_0} \right)}$$

Structure function (Lateral)

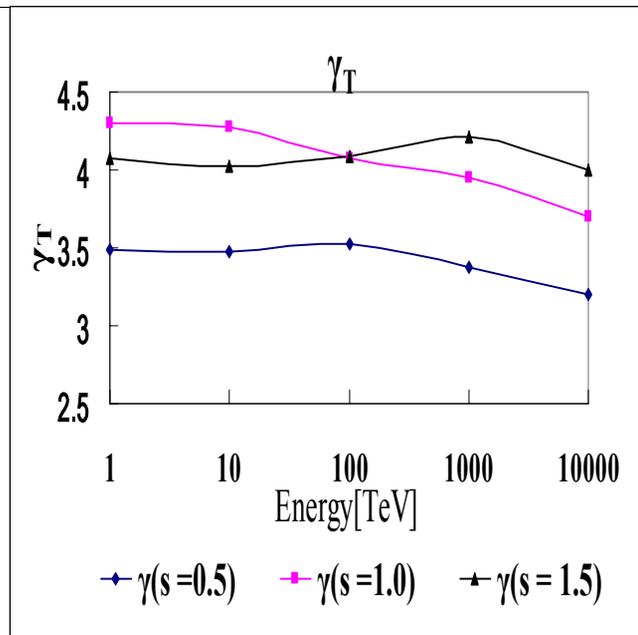
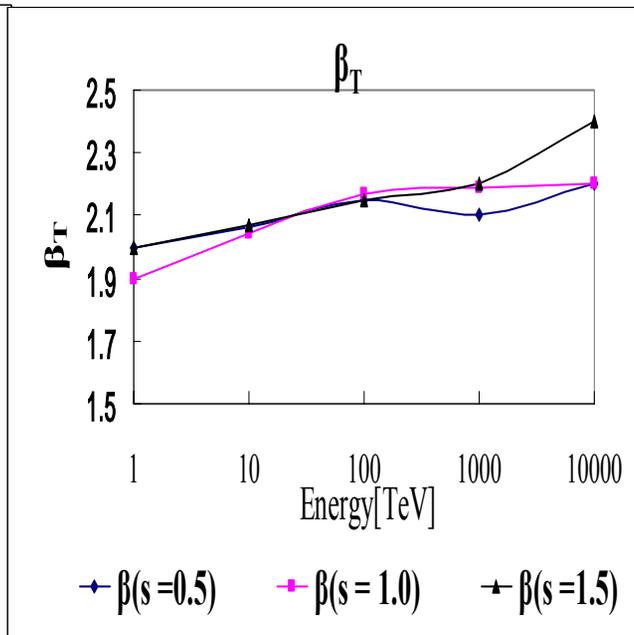
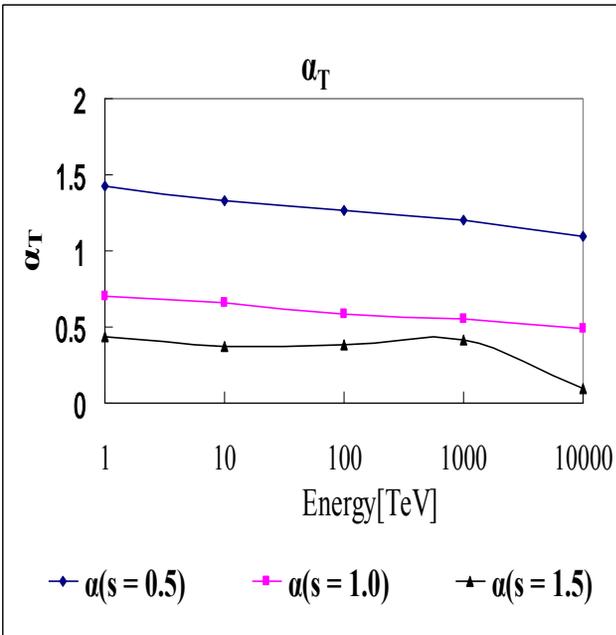
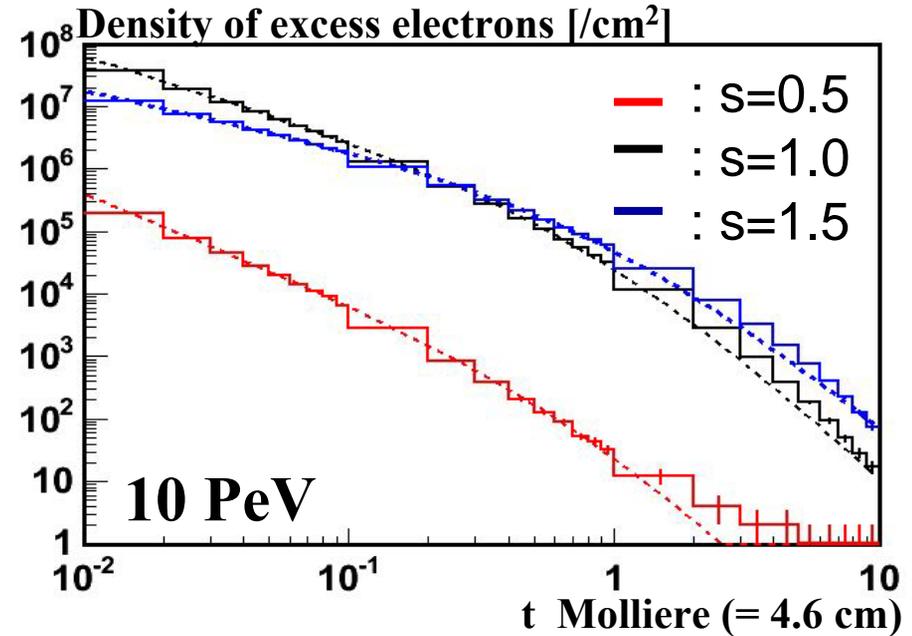
$$N_{\text{Lat}}(t, t_R) = \alpha_T \frac{N_L(t_R)}{t_M^2} t^{s-\beta_T} (1+t)^{s-\gamma_T}$$

Parameter value

$$T = 0.3 \sim 1.5$$

$$T = 1.9 \sim 2.4$$

$$T = 3.7 \sim 4.5 (0.8 < s < 1.6) \quad 3.2 \sim 3.5 (s < 0.8)$$



Summary

- A ultra-high energy (UHE) EM shower was simulated with Geant4.
- A structure function of an excess electrons was obtained with LPM effect
- LPM effect is important ($E \sim 1\text{PeV}$)
- Age parameter ($0.8 < s < 1.6$) has been extended to $0 < s < 1.6$ region for lateral distribution.

Future plan

- Coding the program of the radio wave radiation from an UHE EM shower using our structure function

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