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## Calorimetry

- Use a dense and scintillating material to stop the particle
- Measure the light/energy that is emitted while the particle is being absorbed
- I like to think about a bullet in ballistic gel



## The FCAL

- A roughly circular detector comprised of 2800 lead glass blocks
- Each block is $68 \% \mathrm{~Pb}$ by weight



## Hits to showers

- As a particle traverses the crystal it loses energy by knocking the heck out of what ever it hits.
- This causes a cascade.
- Called a shower
- The detector is read out on a brick by brick level and a shower often covers many bricks


Calorimetry and Showers

The longitudinal (depth) development of an electromagnetic shower


## Not the FCAL

- Hits can be grouped together to form clusters
- Each cluster is a shower



## Not the FCAL

- To be extra tricky there are two main classes of clusters: hadronic and electromagnetic



## The challenge

# - Perform the clustering and classification on real GlueX data for the forward calorimeter 



## Materials

- A set of $\sim 400 \mathrm{k}$ events
- Broken into two files
- Each row contains comma-separated values
- Blocks of 4 values (4 values per hit)
- x,y,E,t
- Position, Energy, time
- A tiny set of 18 events which are of the same format as above
- Another file with 18 rows with "labels" in the proper format for a perfect submission
- A Jupyter notebook to aid in visualizing the data


## Valid Submission

- A test set will be released on April $29^{\text {th }}$. Final submission will be due May $1^{\text {st }}$
- A valid submission will consist of a text file with one row for each row (event) in the test set.
- Each row of the submission will consist of 3 comma separated integers representing, from left to right
- Number of EM showers, Number of hadronic showers, total number of showers


## Where do I go to get started?

- https://halldweb.jlab.org/talks/ML_Iunch/Feb2020

You have until May 1st...

## Good luck!

