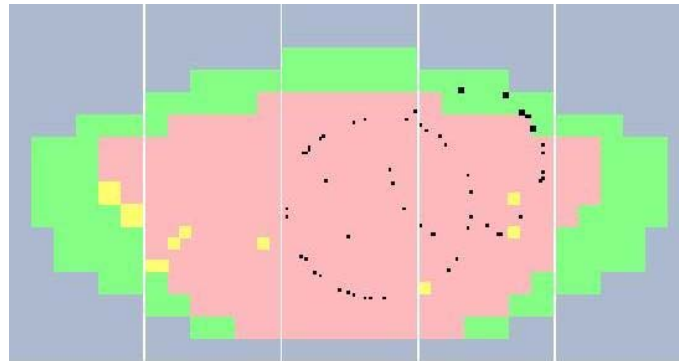


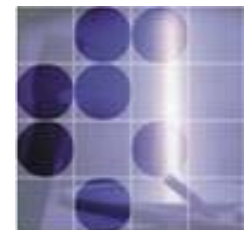
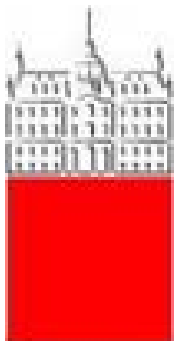
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Particle Identification

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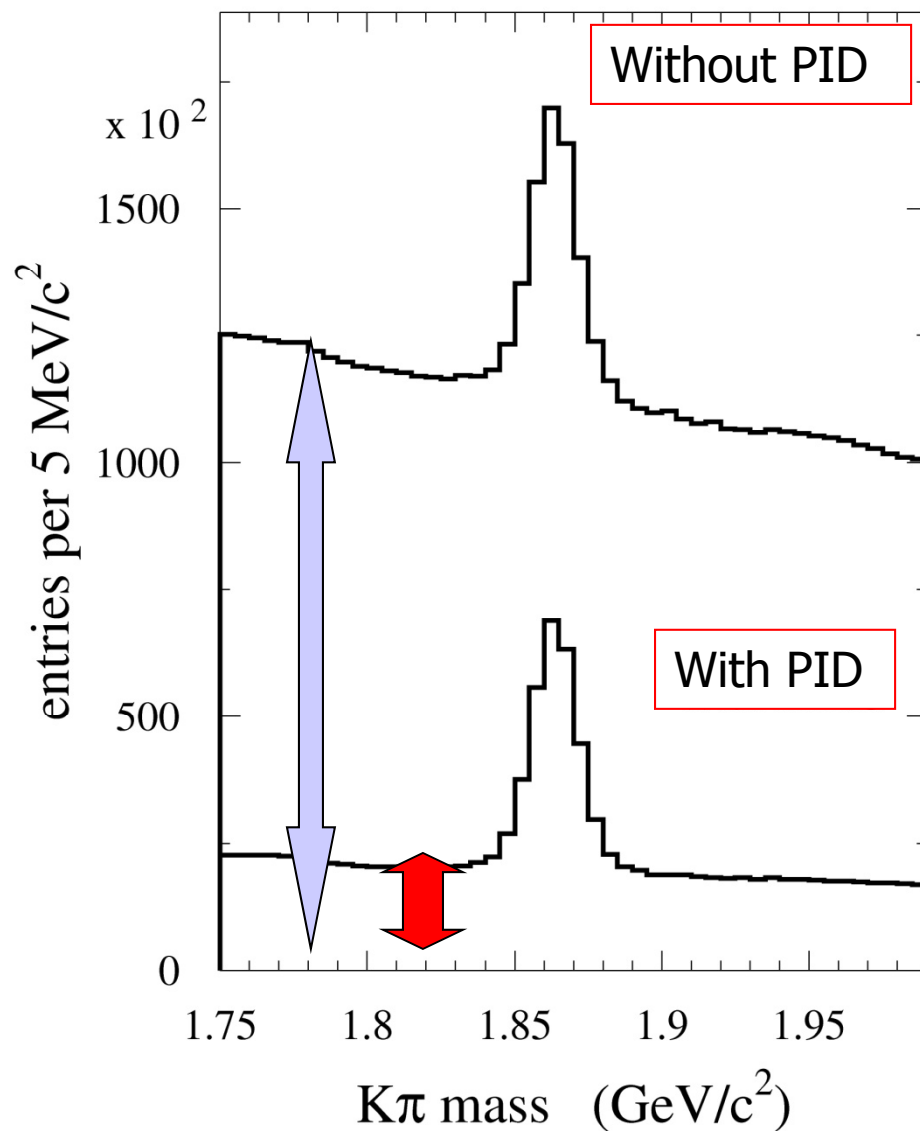
dE/dx

Transition radiation detectors

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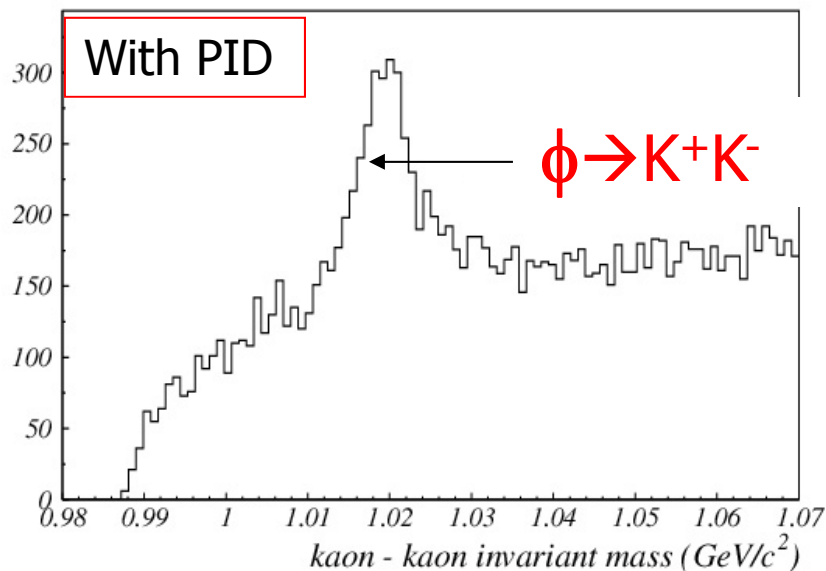
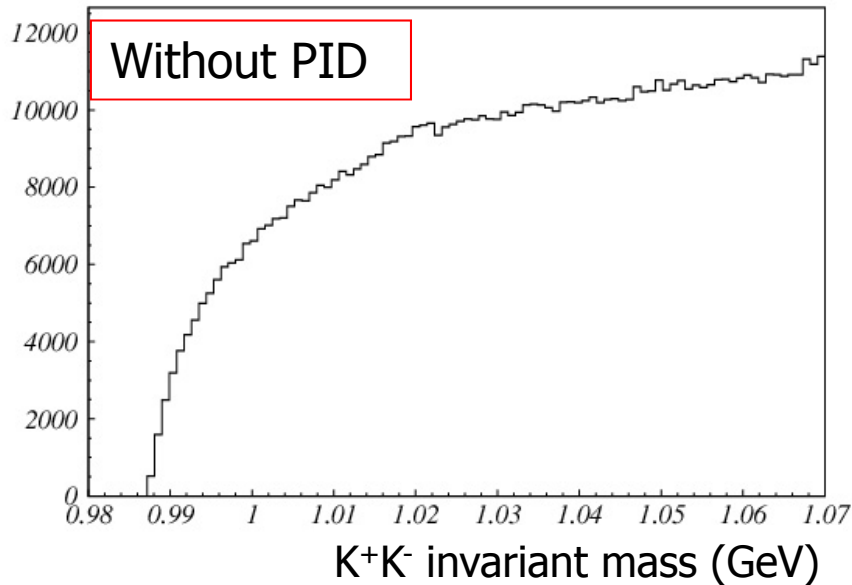
Why particle ID?



Example 1: B factory

Particle identification reduces the fraction of wrong $K\pi$ combinations (combinatorial background) by $\sim 5x$

Why particle ID?

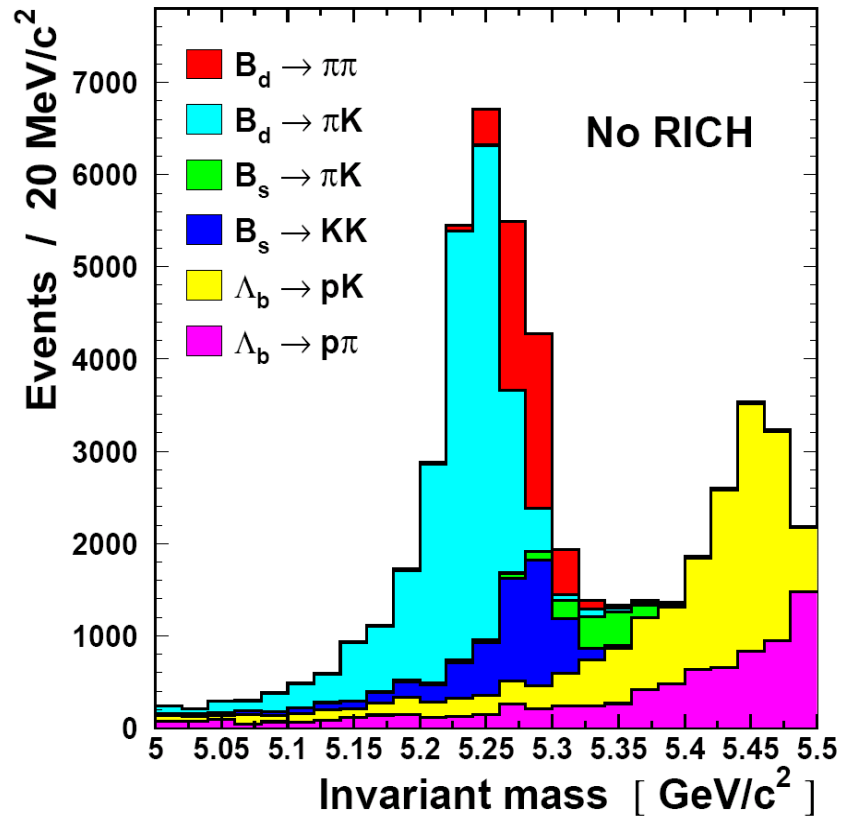


Example 2: HERA-B

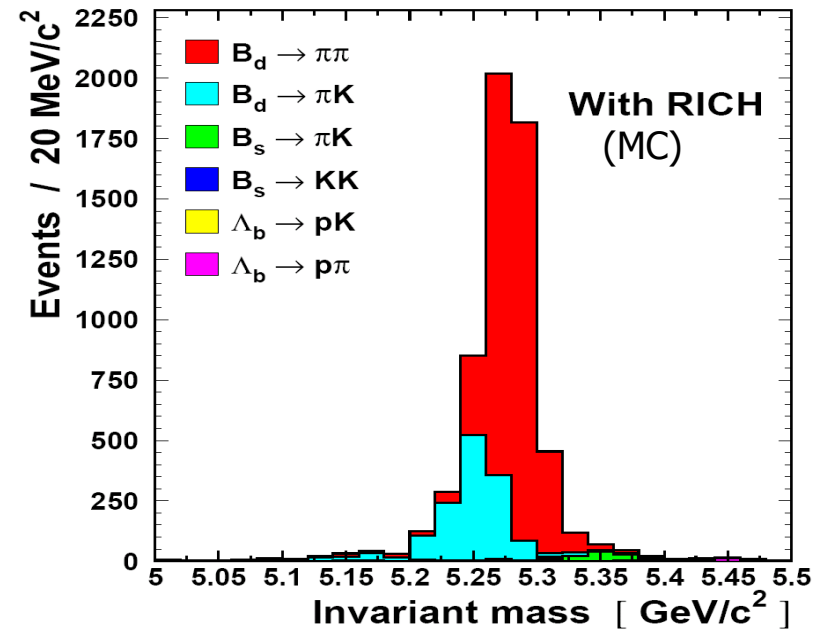
K⁺K⁻ invariant mass.

The inclusive $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$ decay only becomes visible after particle identification is taken into account.

Why particle ID?



Example 3: LHCb



Need to distinguish $B_d \rightarrow \pi\pi$ from other similar topology 2-body decays and to distinguish B from anti-B using K tag.

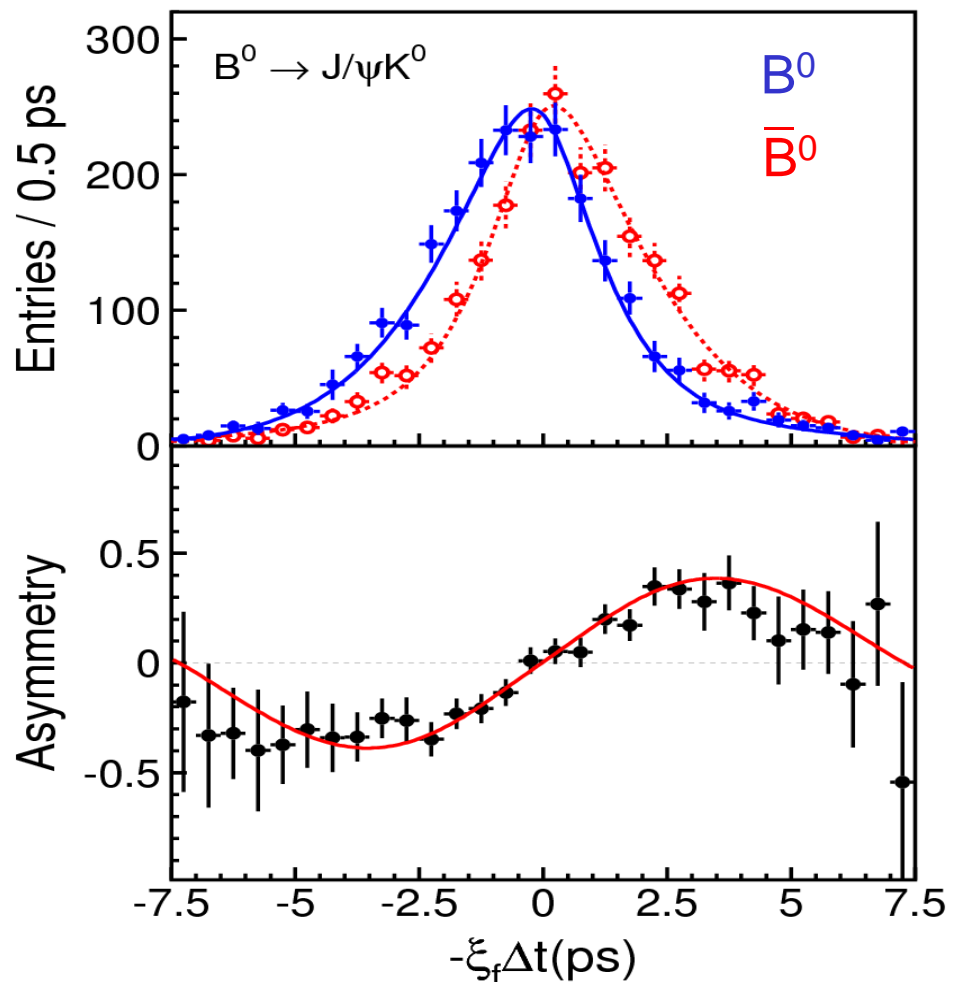
Why particle ID?

PID is also needed in:

- General purpose LHC experiments: final states with electrons and muons
- Searches for exotic states of matter (quark-gluon plasma)
- Spectroscopy and searches for exotic hadronic states
- Studies of fragmentation functions

Why particle ID?

Particle identification at B factories (Belle and BaBar):
was essential for the observation of **CP violation in the B meson system**.

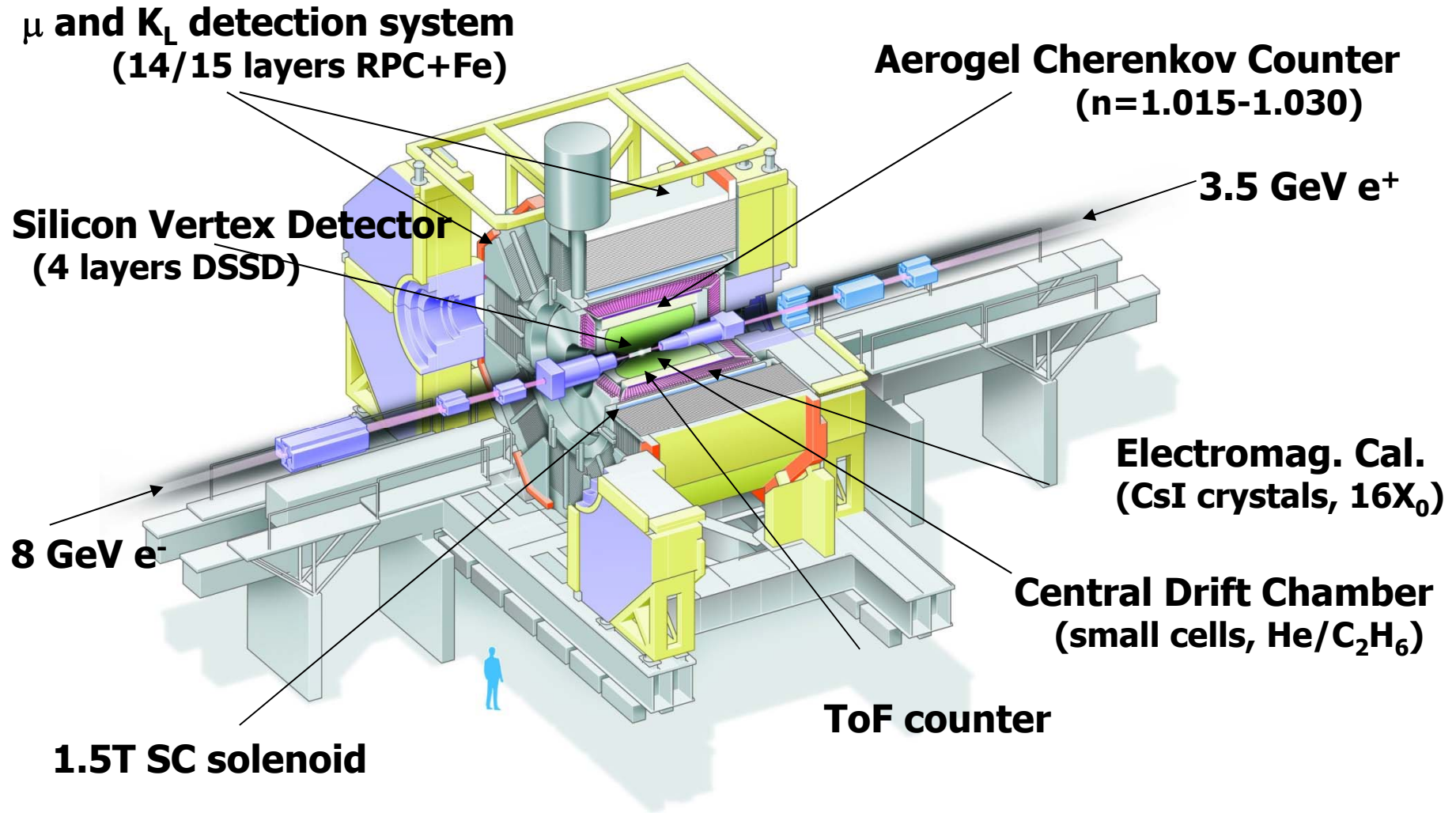


B^0 and its **anti-particle**
decay differently to the
same final state $J/\psi K^0$

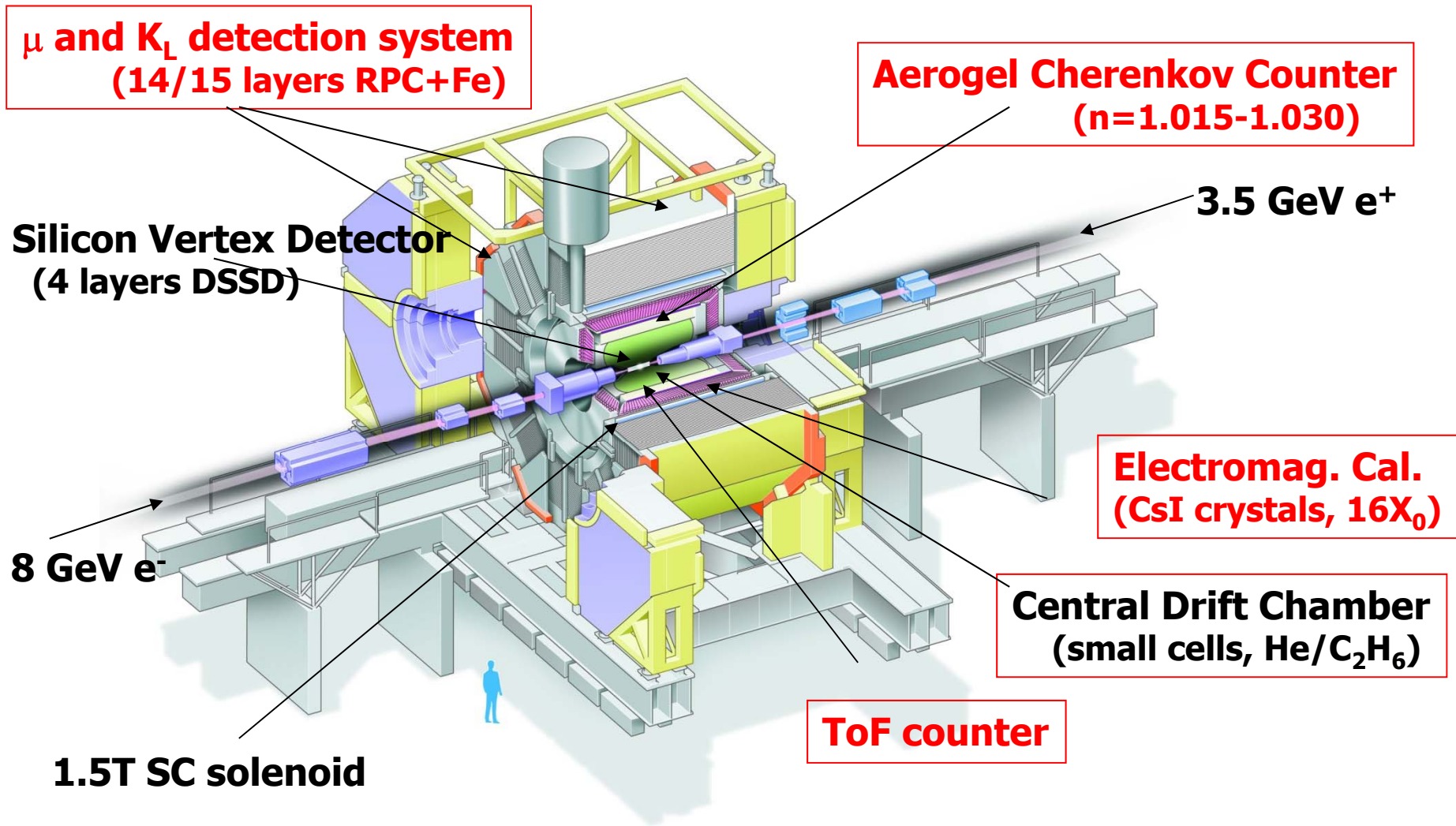
Flavour of the B: from decay
products of the other B:
charge of the kaon, electron,
muon

→ **particle ID is compulsory**

Example: Belle

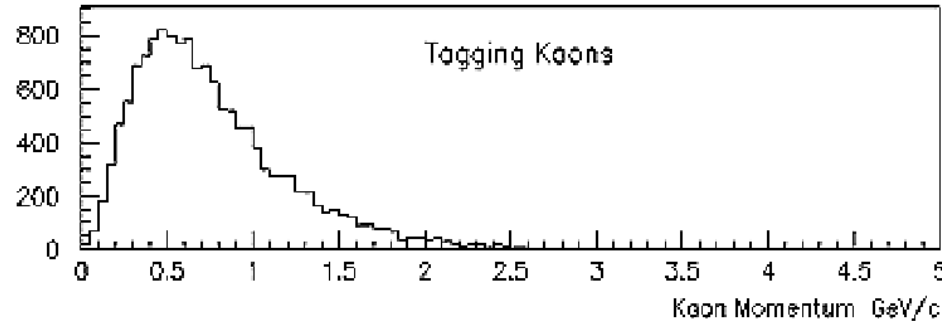


Particle identification systems in Belle



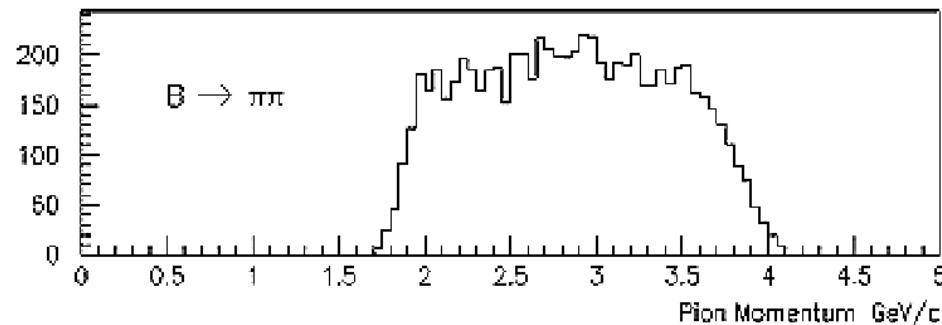
Particle identification methods depend on the requirements (physics channel, kinematics)

Example: B factory, pion/kaon separation



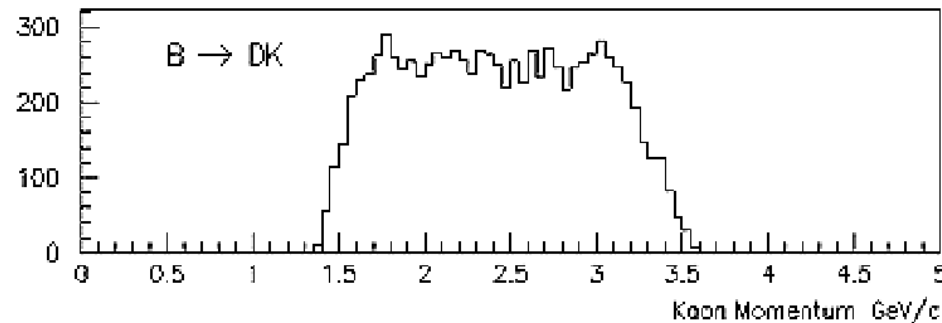
Tagging Kaons

Relatively soft,
ms dominated
for tracking



$B \rightarrow \pi\pi$

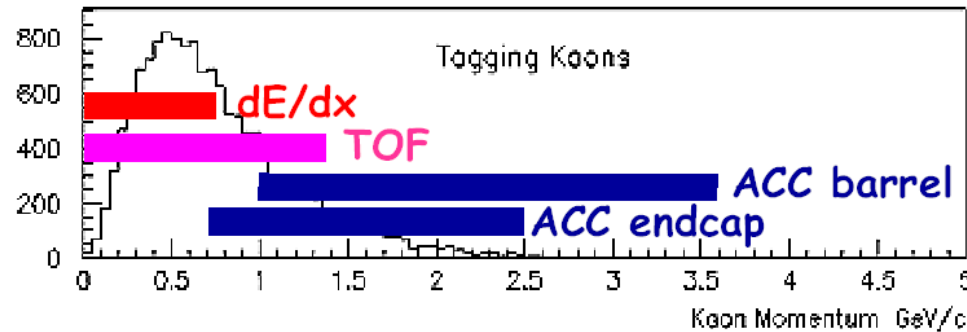
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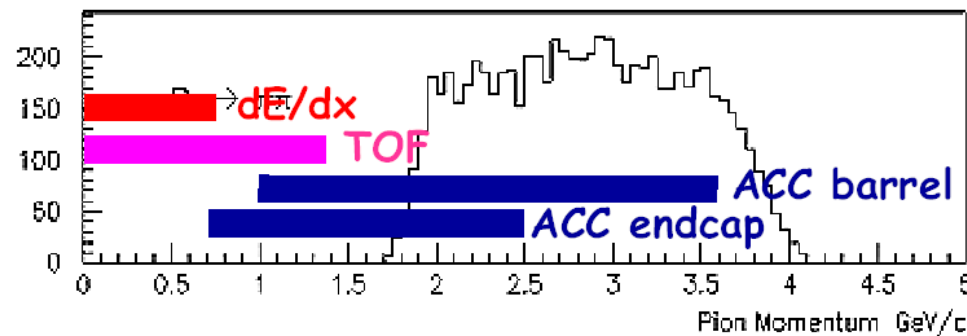
$B \rightarrow DK$

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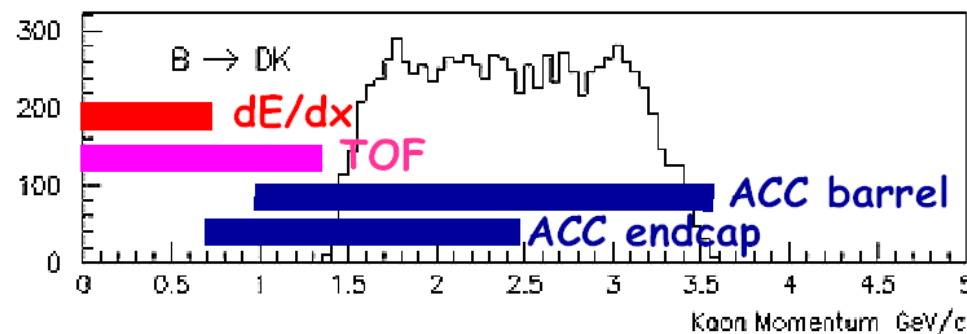
PID coverage of kaon/pion spectra in Belle



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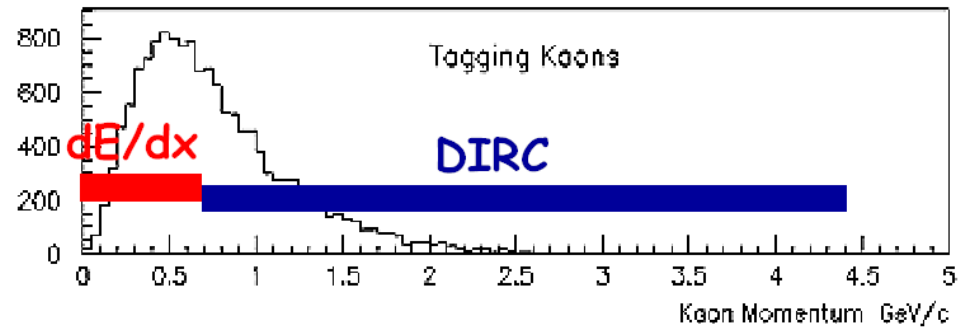
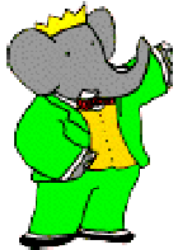


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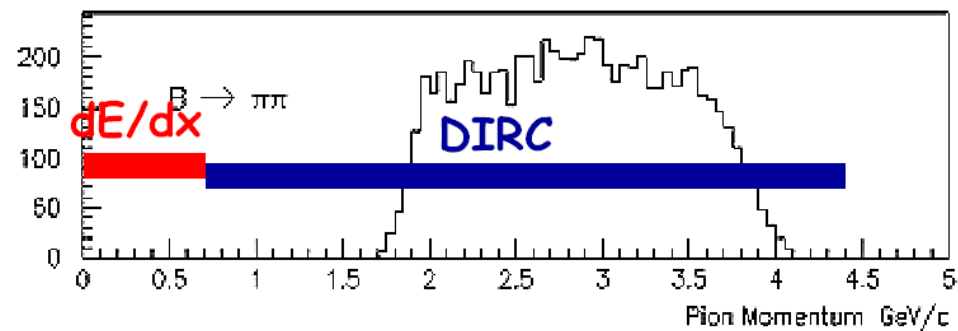


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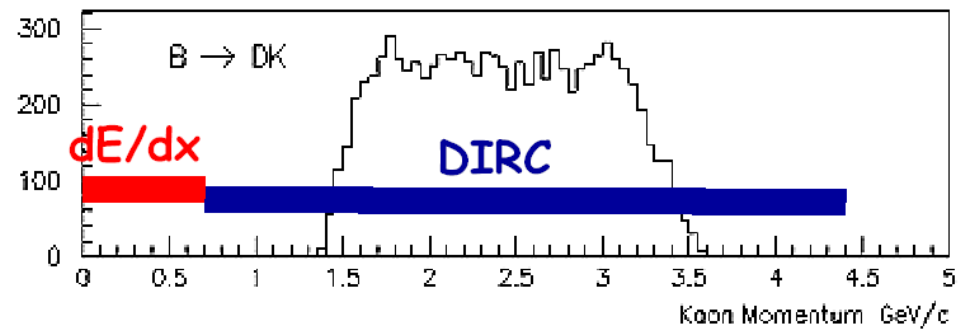
PID coverage of kaon/pion spectra in BaBar



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Identification of charged particles

Particles (e, μ , π , K, p) in the final state are identified by their **mass** or by the **way they interact**.

Determination of **mass**: from the relation between momentum and velocity, $p = \gamma m v$ (p is known - radius of curvature in magnetic field)

→ Measure velocity by:

- time of flight
- ionisation losses dE/dx
- Cherenkov photon angle (and/or yield)
- transition radiation

Mainly used for the identification of hadrons.

Identification through **interaction**: electrons and muons

- muon systems
- calorimeters (→ lectures by Francesco Lanni)

Lectures

Because my lectures fortunately come rather late in this school, you are already well equipped for understanding a lecture on particle identification:

- » Interaction of charged particles with matter (C. Joram)
- » Detection of light (C. Joram)
- » Gas detectors (M. Capeans)
- » Silicon detectors (M. Krammer)
- » Physics motivation and requirements (L. Rolandi, Z. Doležal)

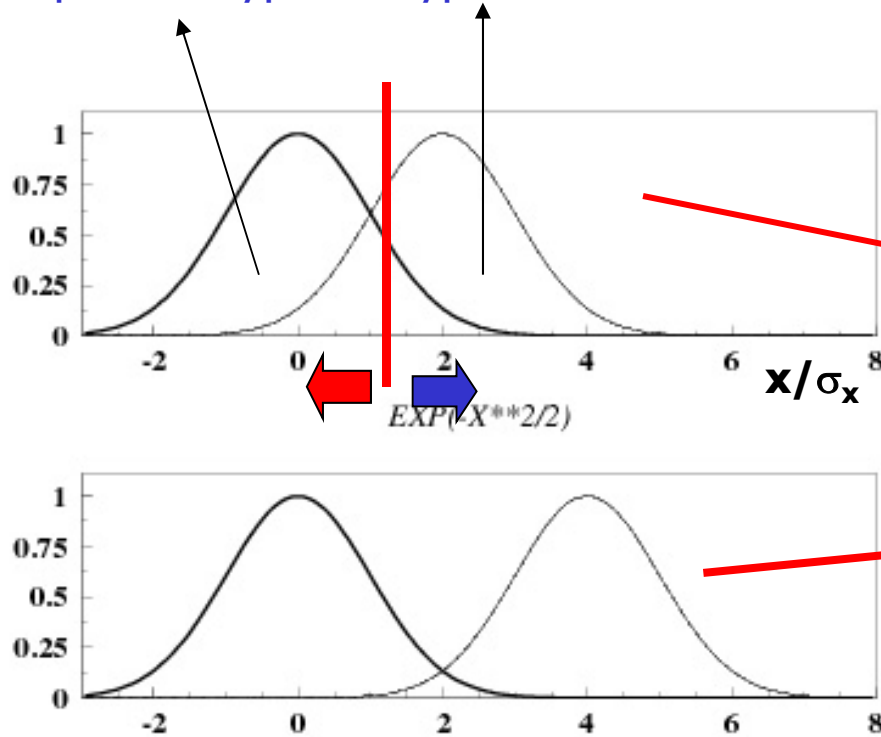
Some of you already had lab courses related to this lecture (Cherenkov detectors, SiPMs, gas detectors)

Efficiency and purity in particle identification

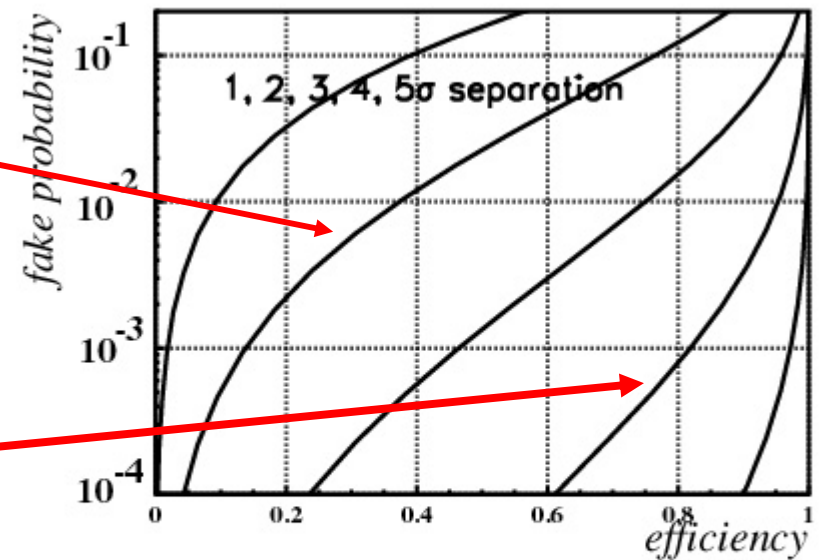
Efficiency and purity are tightly coupled!

Two examples:

particle type 1 type 2



eff. vs fake probability
(for Gaussian distributions)



some discriminating variable x , scaled to
the resolution σ_x

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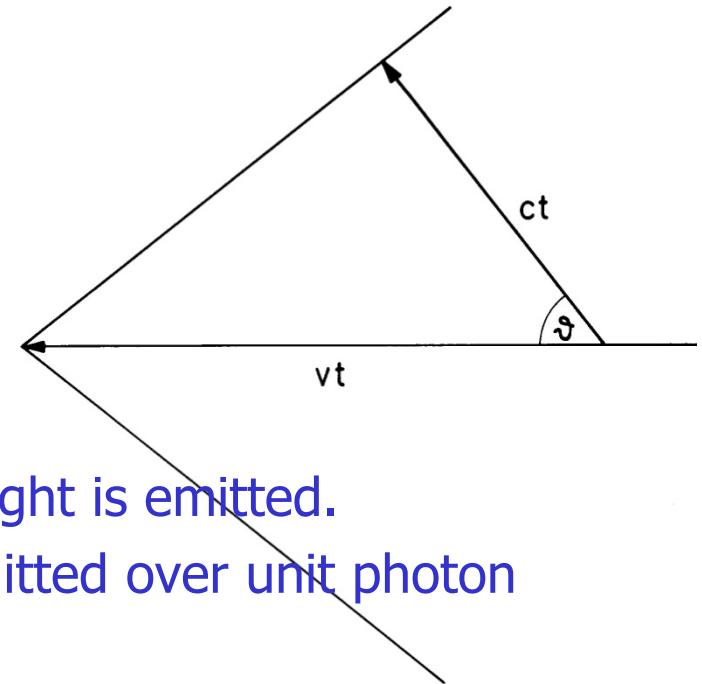
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Cherenkov radiation

A charged track with velocity $v = \beta c$ exceeding the speed of light c/n in a medium with refractive index n emits **polarized light** at a characteristic (Cherenkov) angle,

$$\cos\theta = c/nv = 1/\beta n$$



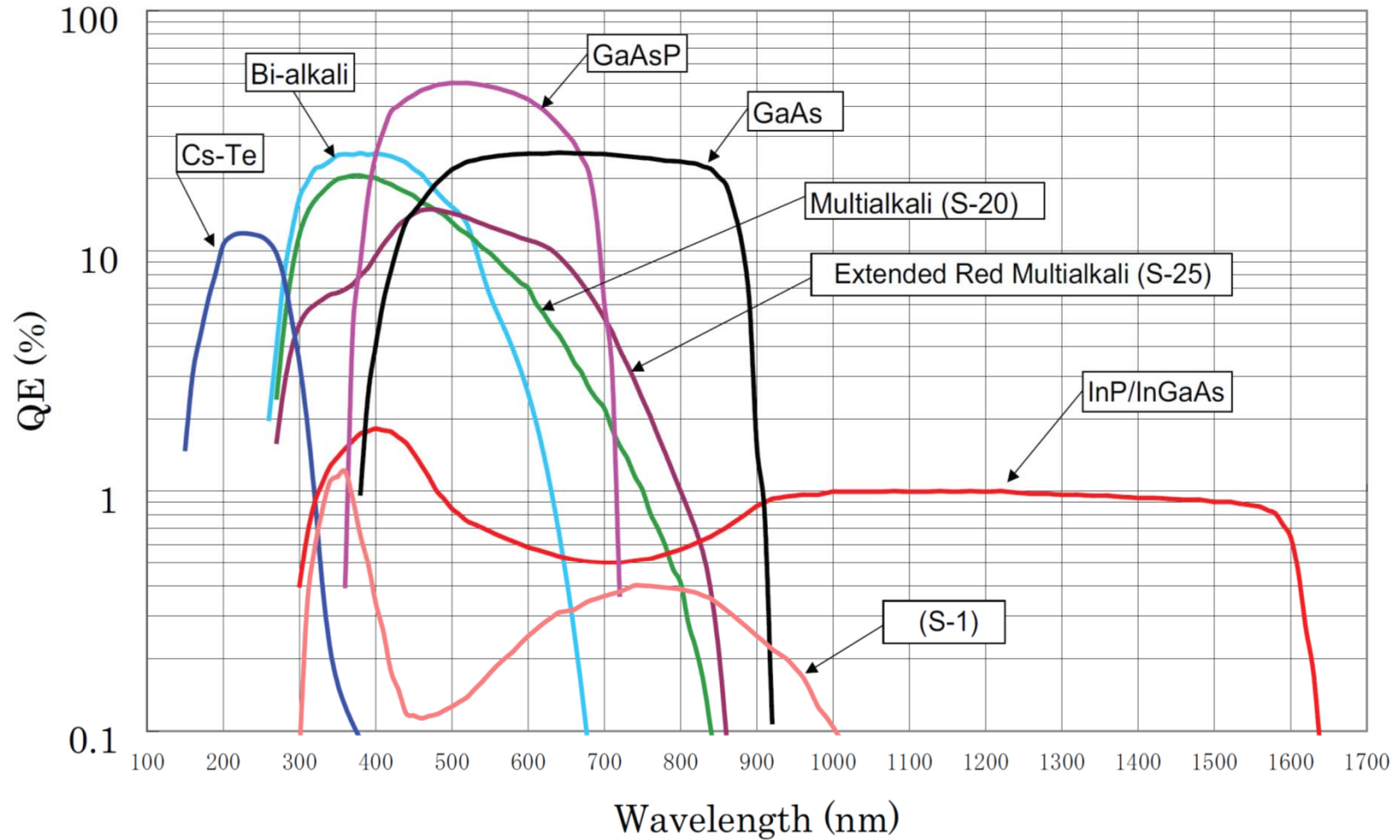
Two cases:

- $\beta < \beta_t = 1/n$: below threshold **no** Cherenkov light is emitted.
- $\beta > \beta_t$: the number of Cherenkov photons emitted over unit photon energy $E = h\nu$ in a radiator of length L :

$$\frac{dN}{dE} = \frac{\alpha}{\hbar c} L \sin^2 \theta = 370(\text{cm})^{-1} (\text{eV})^{-1} L \sin^2 \theta$$

→ Few detected photons

Quantum efficiency



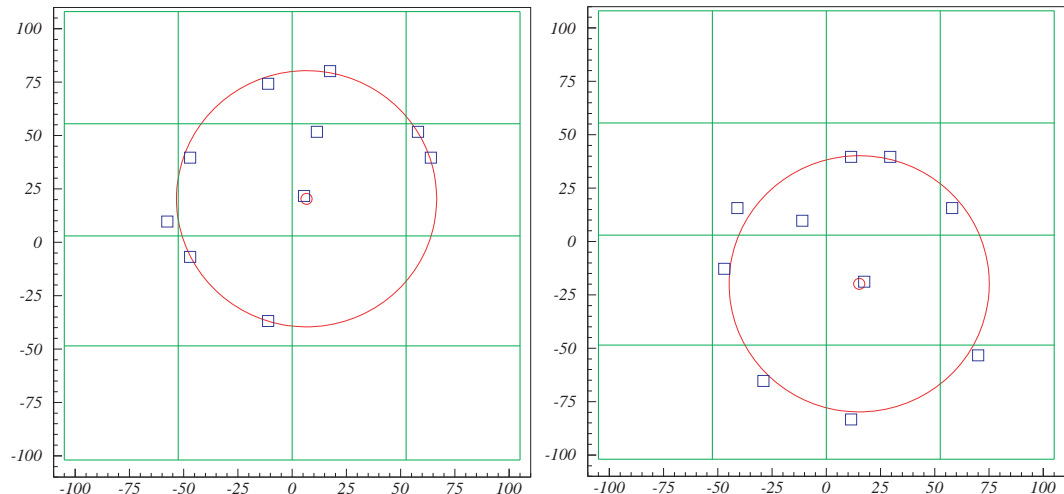
Number of detected photons

Example: in 1m of air ($n=1.00027$) a track with $\beta=1$ emits **$N=41$ photons** in the spectral range of visible light ($\Delta E \sim 2$ eV).

If Čerenkov photons were detected with an average detection efficiency of $\varepsilon=0.1$ over this interval, **$N=4$ photons** would be measured.

Few photons detected

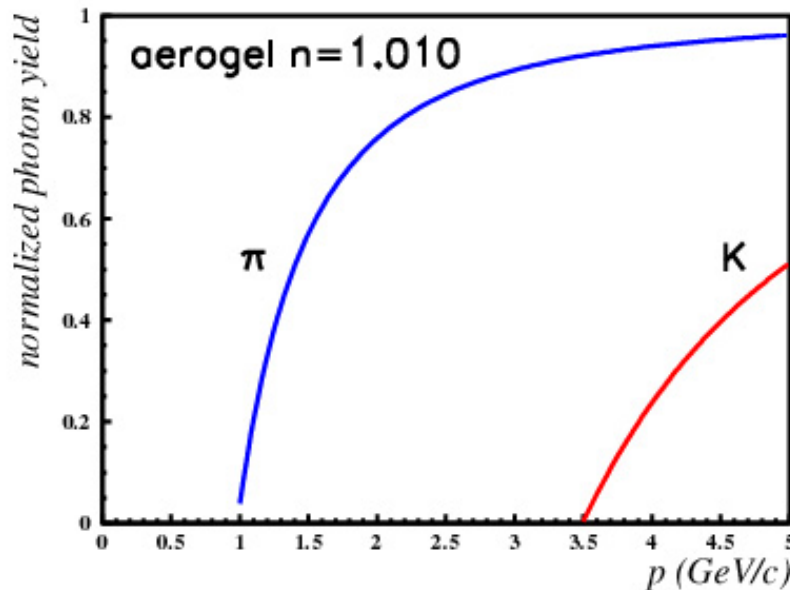
→ Important to have a **low noise** detector



Threshold Cherenkov counter

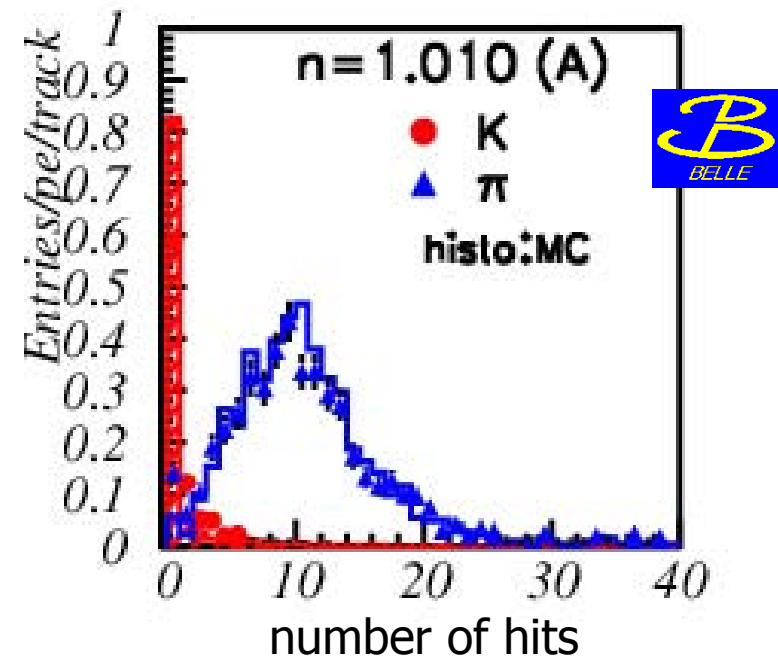
$\cos\theta = c/nv = 1/\beta n$ → Separate **K** (below threshold) from π (above) by properly choosing **n**

Photon yield vs p



Choice of n: depends on the momentum range.

→ Good separation between pions (light) and kaons (no light) between ~ 1.5 GeV/c and 3.5 GeV/c

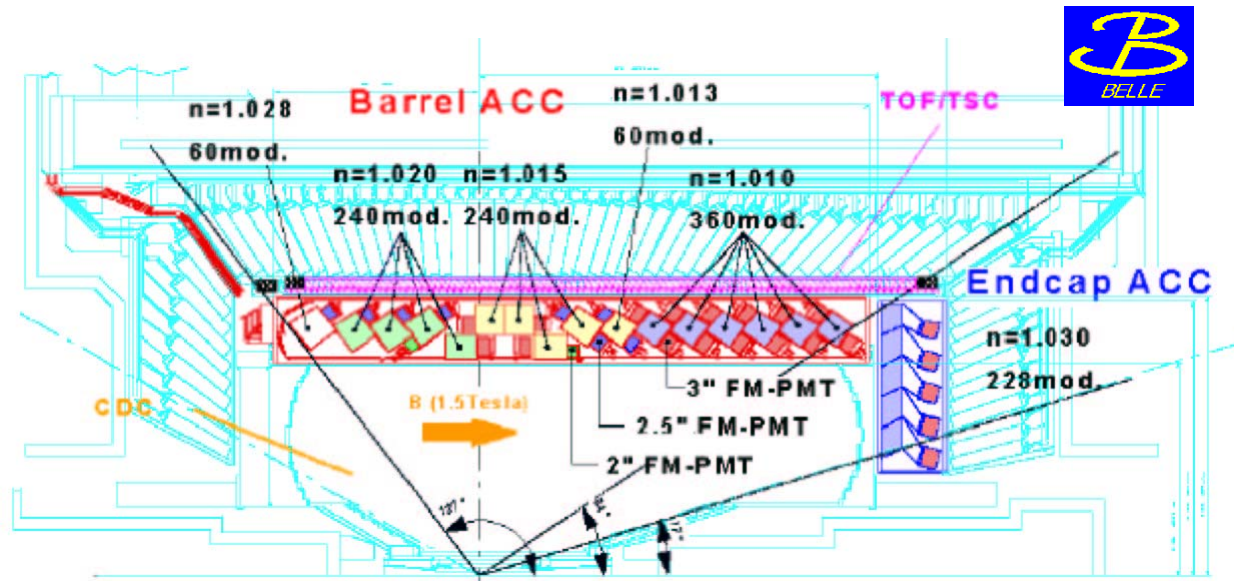
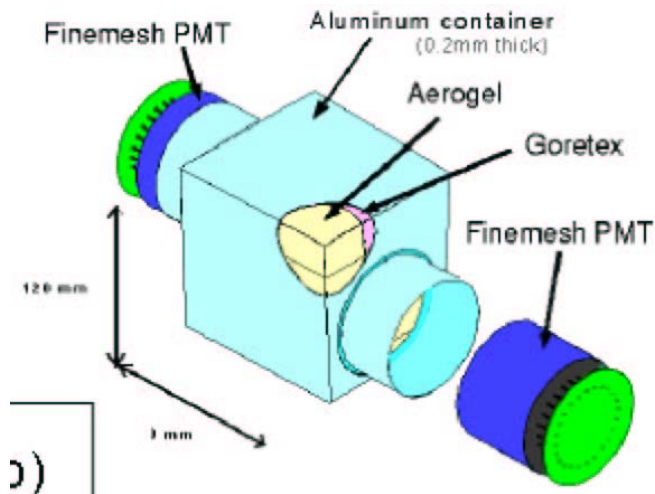


Belle: Threshold Cherenkov counter, ACC (aerogel Cherenkov counter)

K (below threshold) vs. π (above) by properly choosing n for a given kinematic region

→ more energetic particles fly in the 'forward region' → lower n

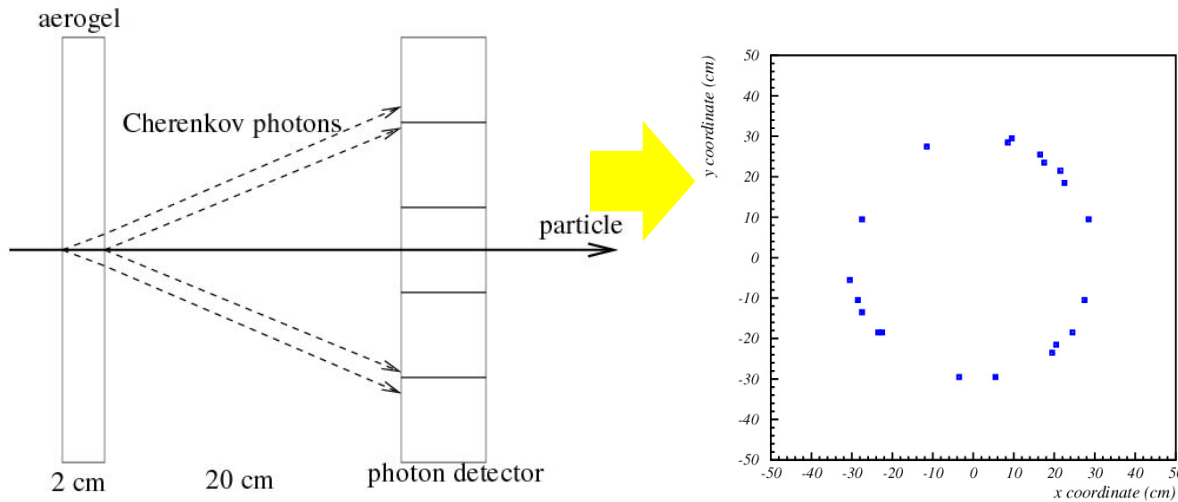
Detector unit: a block of aerogel and two fine-mesh PMTs



Fine-mesh PMT: works in high B fields (1.5 T)

Measuring the Cherenkov angle

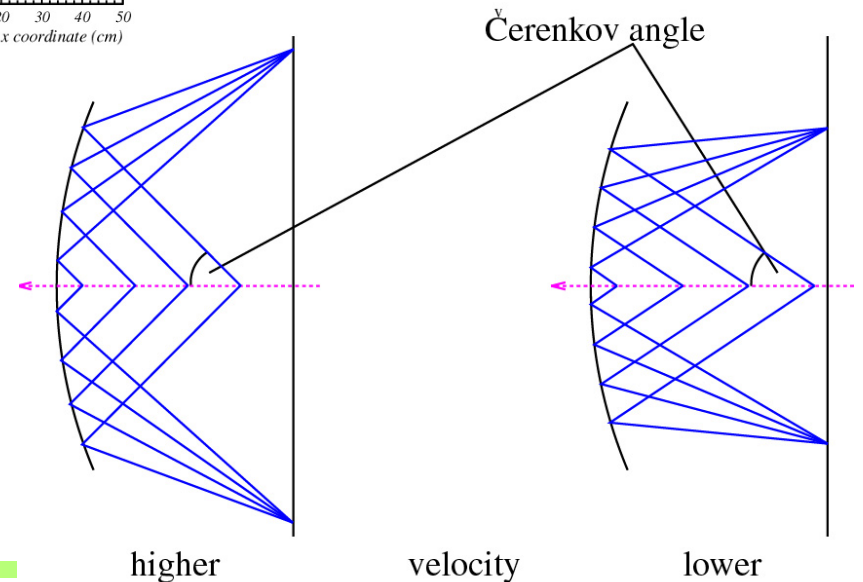
Particles above threshold: measure θ



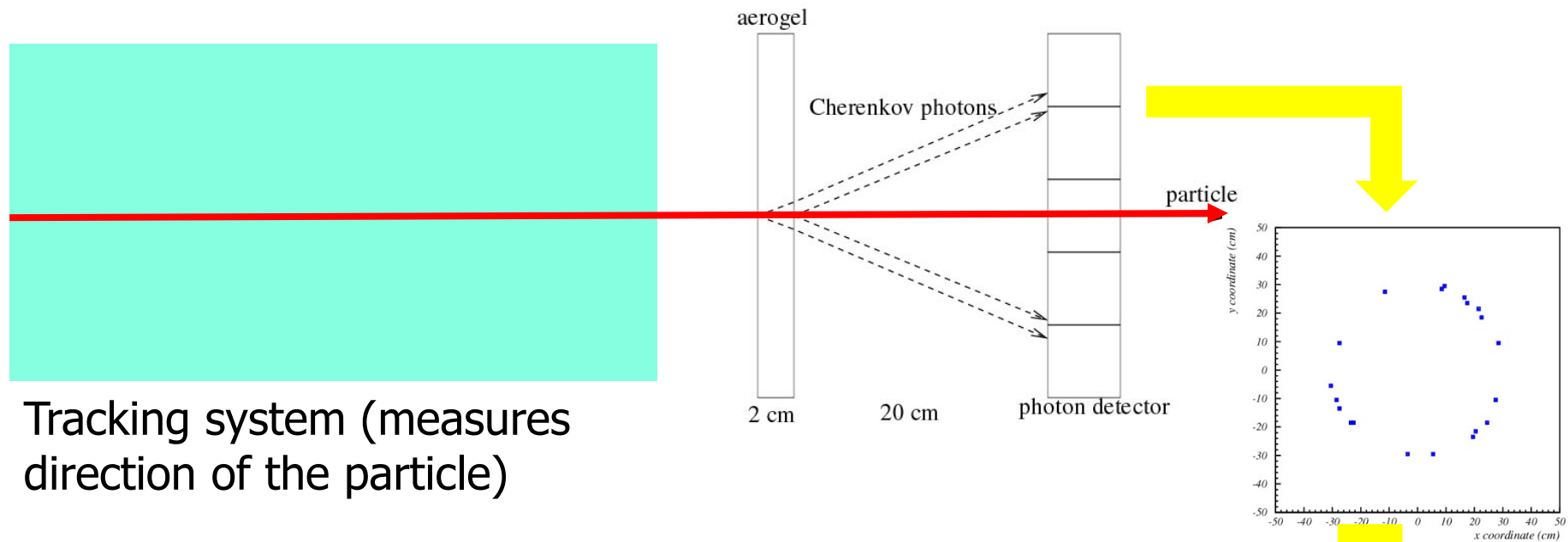
Idea: transform the direction into a coordinate \rightarrow ring on the detection plane \rightarrow Ring Imaging Cherenkov (RICH) counter

Proximity focusing RICH

RICH with a focusing mirror



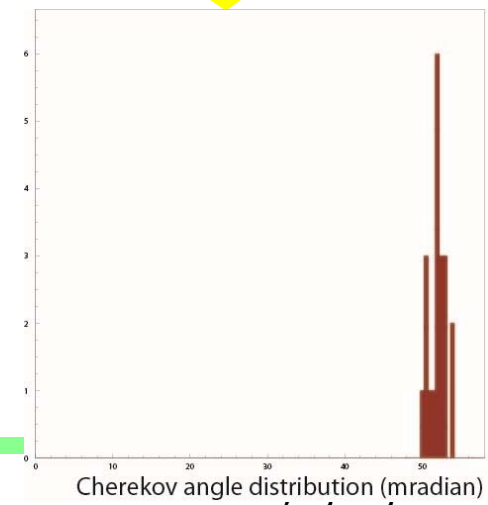
Measuring the Cherenkov angle



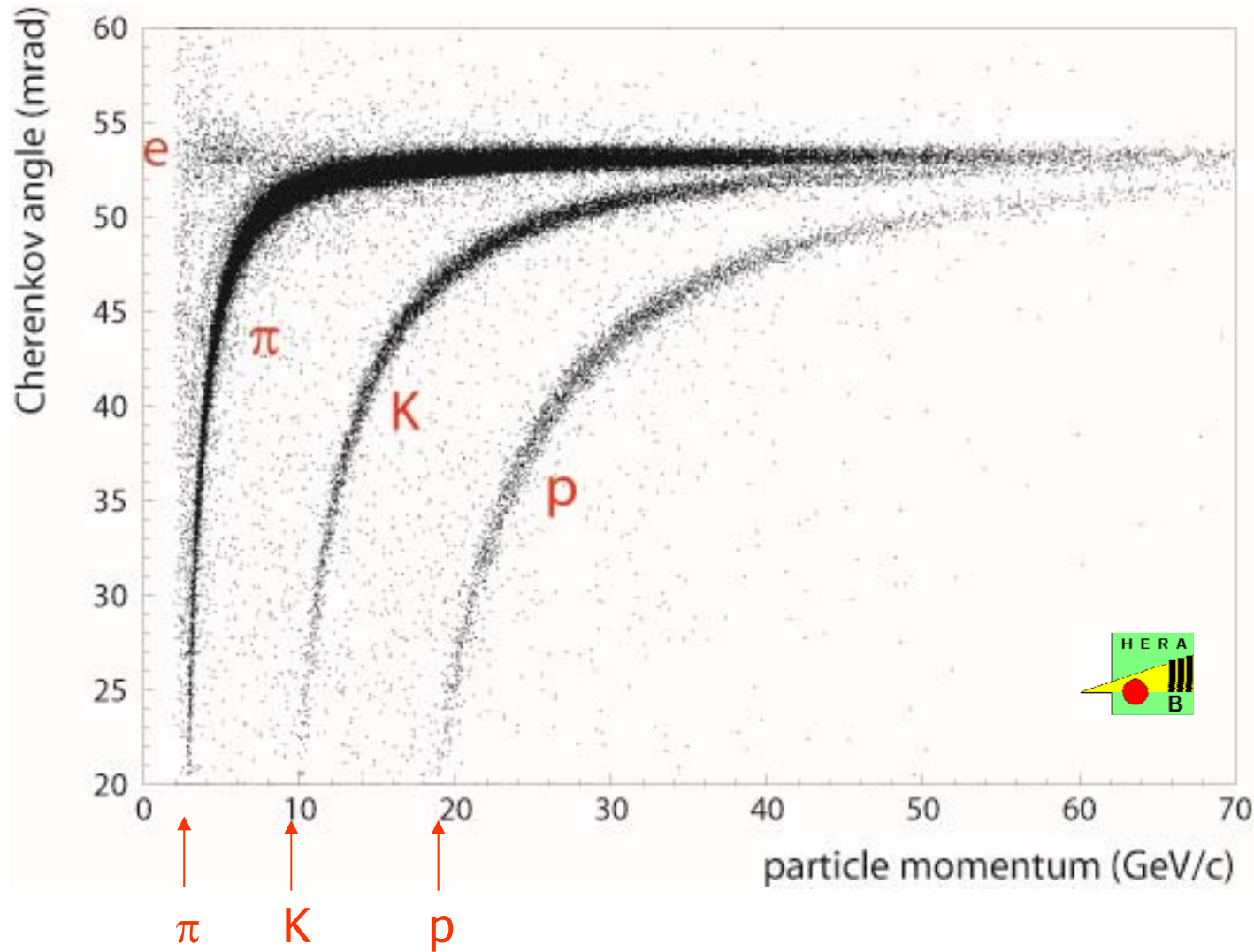
Tracking system (measures direction of the particle)

Tracking system tells us where the particle hit the radiator, and at which angle.

Use this information to calculate the **Cherenkov angle** for each individual detected photon



Measuring Cherenkov angle



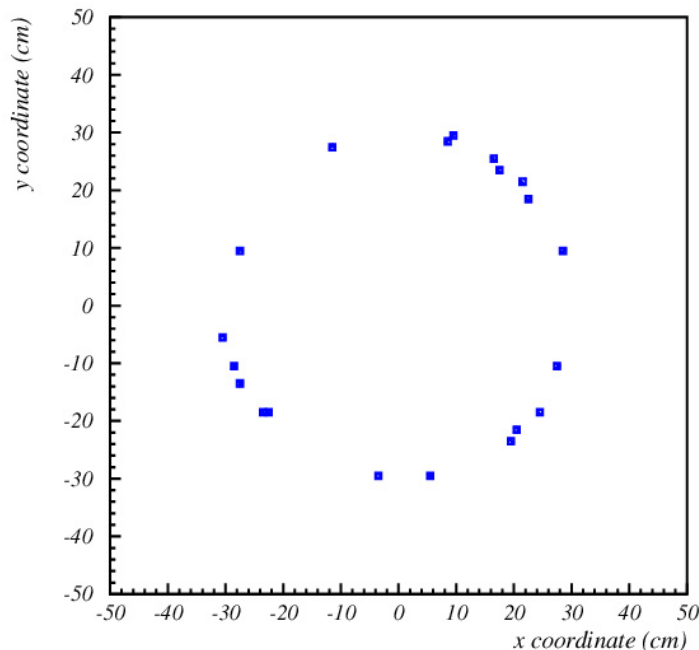
Radiator:
 C_4F_{10} gas

Photon detection in RICH counters

RICH counter: measure photon impact point on the photon detector surface

→ detection of **single** photons with

- sufficient **spatial resolution**
- **high efficiency** and **good signal-to-noise** ratio (few photons!)
- over a **large area** (square meters)



Special requirements:

- **Operation in magnetic field**
- **High rate capability**
- **Very high spatial resolution**
- **Excellent timing (time-of-arrival information)**

Photon detector is the most crucial element of a RICH counter

Resolution of a RICH counter

Determined by:

- Photon impact point resolution (\sim photon detector granularity)
- Emission point uncertainty (not in a focusing RICH)
- Dispersion: $1/\beta = n(\lambda) \cos\theta$
- Errors of the optical system
- Uncertainty in track parameters

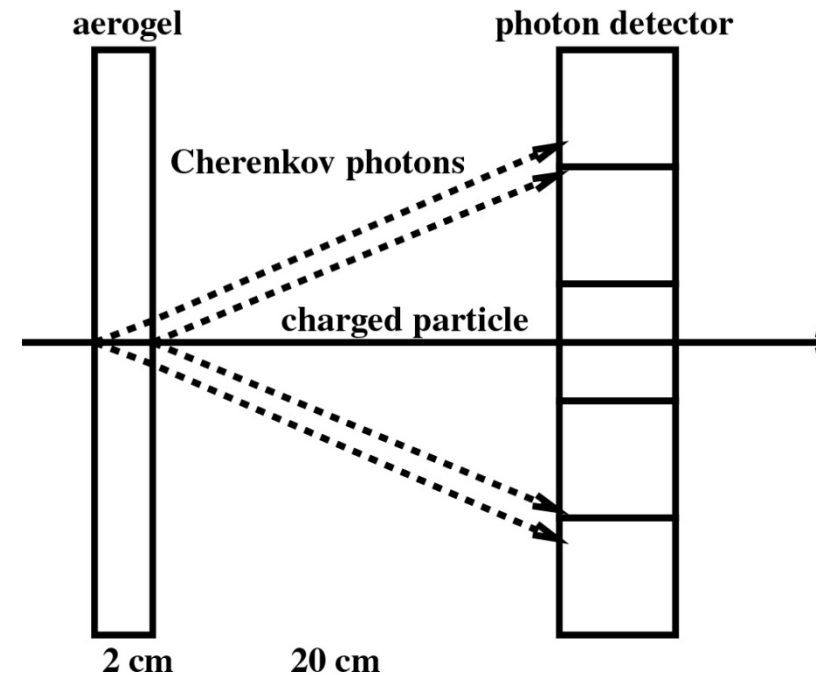
Resolution per track:

$$\sigma_{track} = \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}}$$

single photon resolution $\rightarrow \sigma_0$

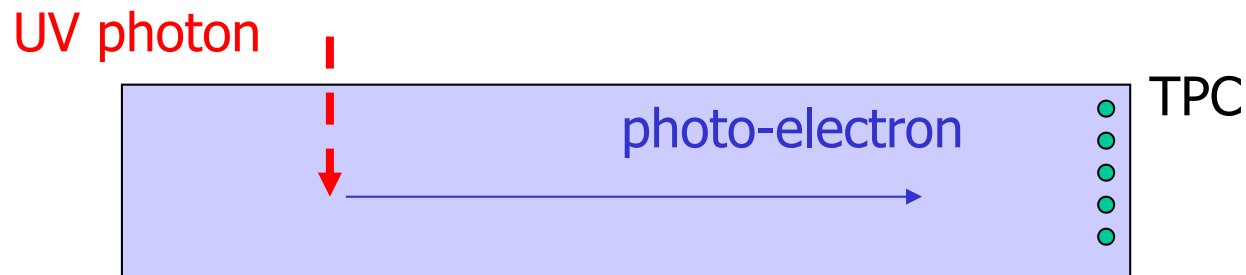
$\rightarrow N_{pe}$ # of detected photons

(in the case of low background)

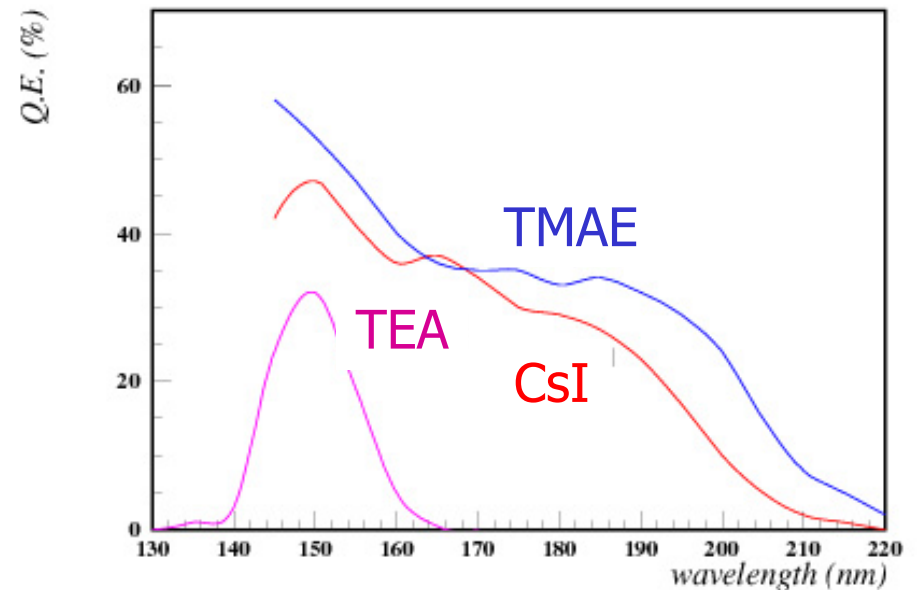


First generation of RICH counters

DELPHI, SLD, OMEGA RICH counters: all employed wire chamber based photon detectors (UV photon \rightarrow photo-electron \rightarrow detection of a single electron in a TPC)

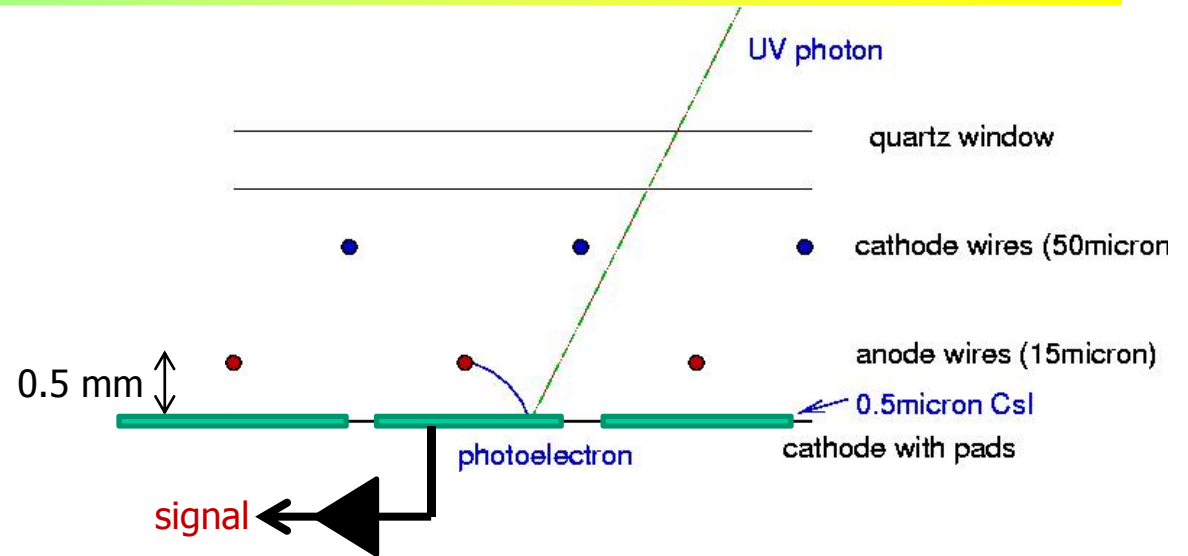


Photosensitive component:
TMAE added to the gas mixture



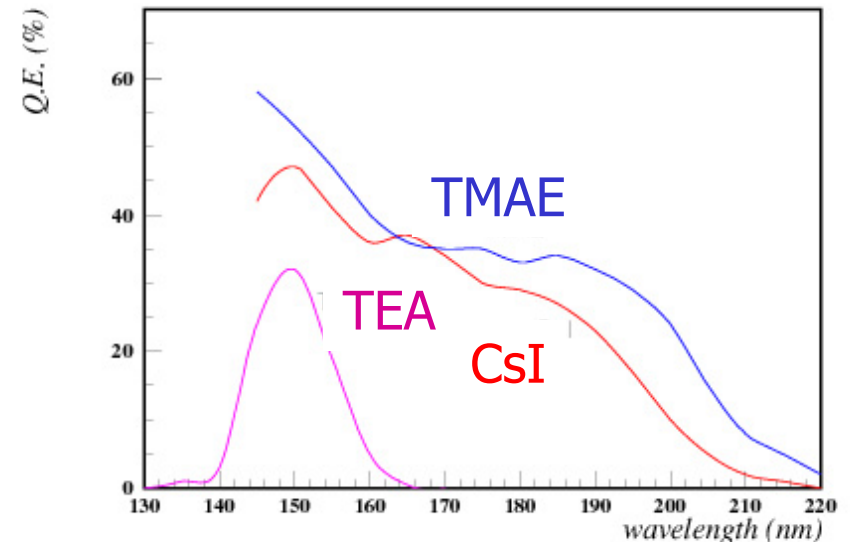
Fast RICH counters with wire chambers

Multiwire chamber with
cathode pad read-out:
→ short drift distances,
fast detector



Photosensitive component:

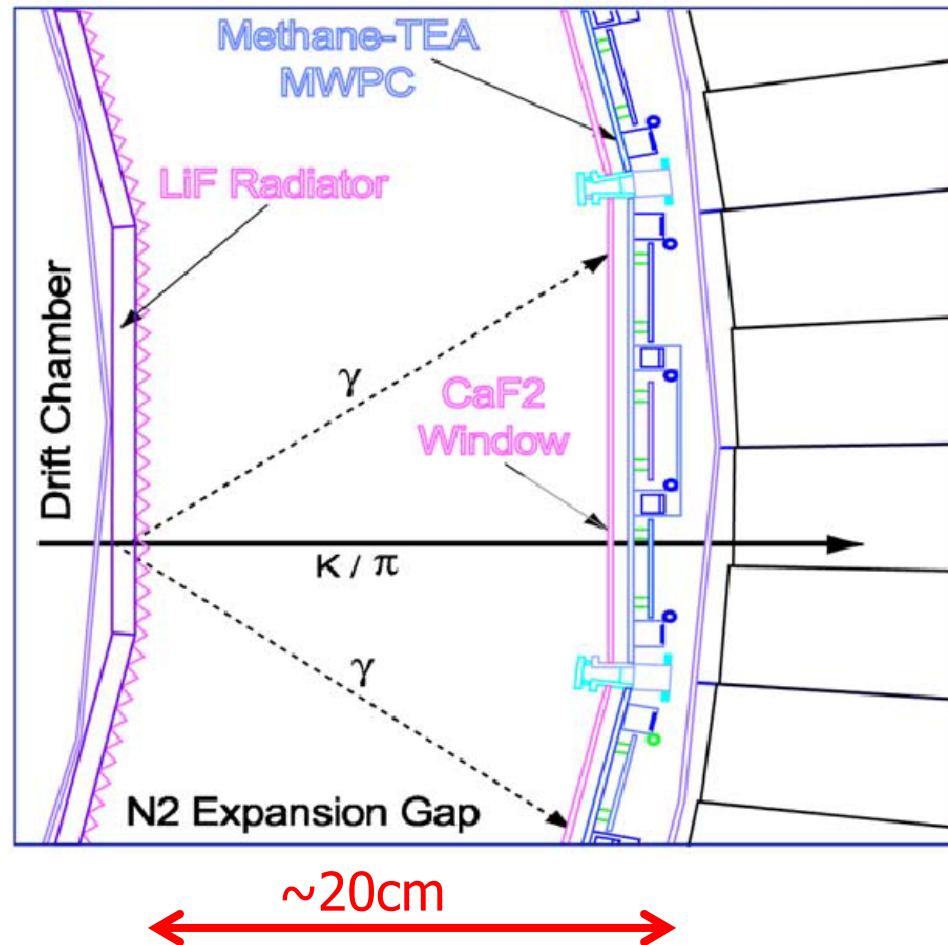
- in the gas mixture (**TEA**):
CLEOIII RICH
- or a layer on one of the cathodes
(**CsI** on the printed circuit cathode
with pads) →



Works in high magnetic field!

CLEOIII RICH

Photon detection in a wire chamber with a methane+TEA mixture.
Technique pioneered by T. Ypsilantis and J. Seguinot

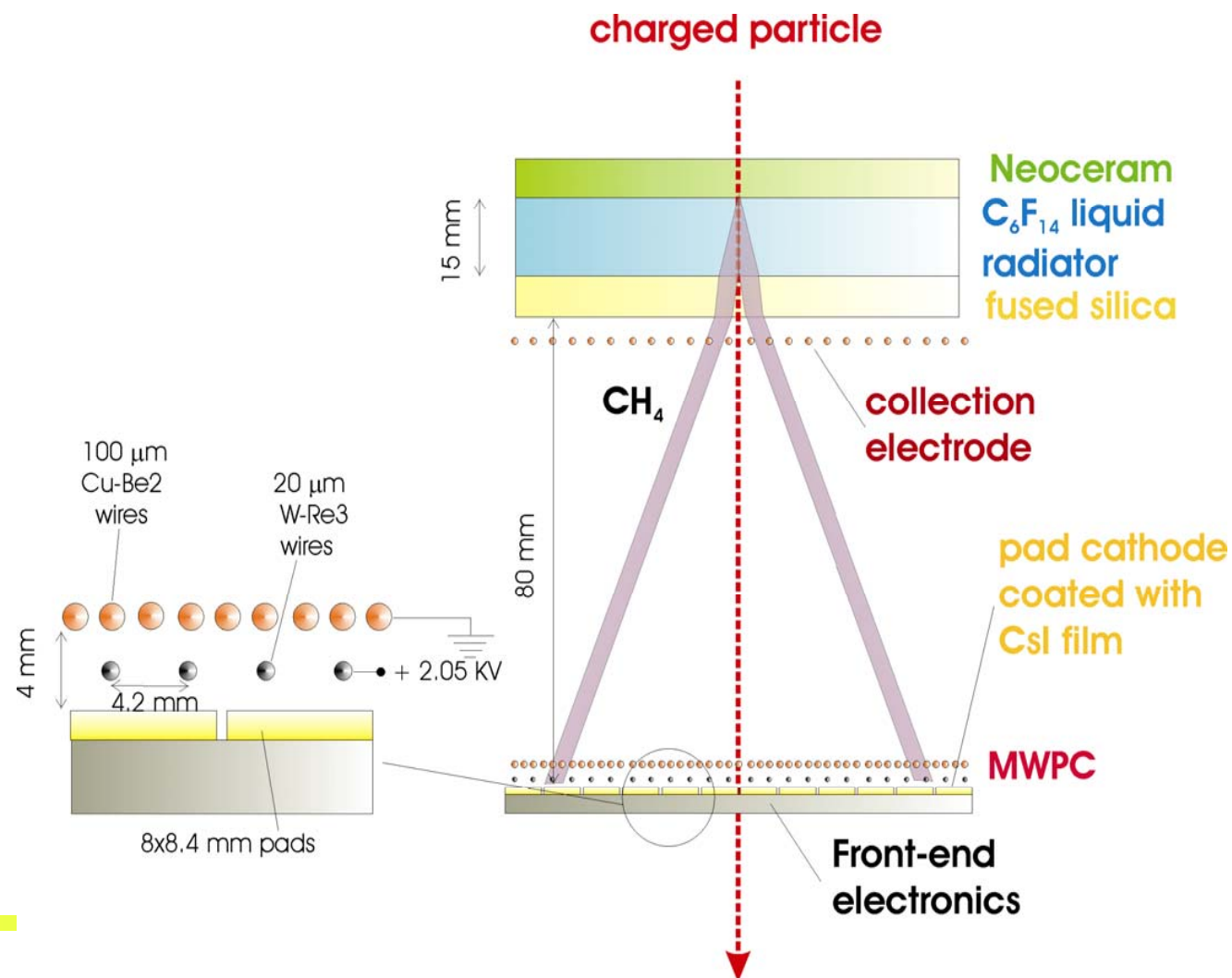


CsI based RICH counters: HADES, COMPASS, ALICE

HADES and COMPASS RICH: gas radiator + CsI photocathode – long term experience in operation

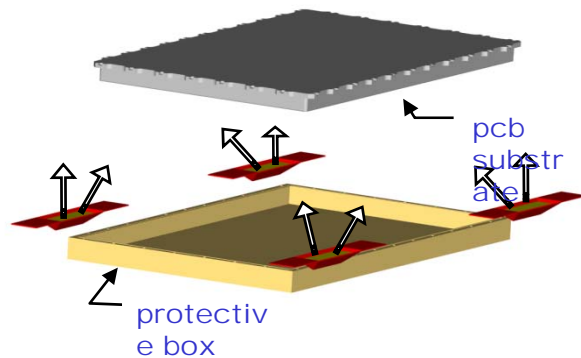
ALICE:

- liquid radiator
- proximity focusing



CERN CsI deposition plant

Photocathode produced with a well defined, several step procedure, with CsI vacuum deposition and subsequent heat conditioning

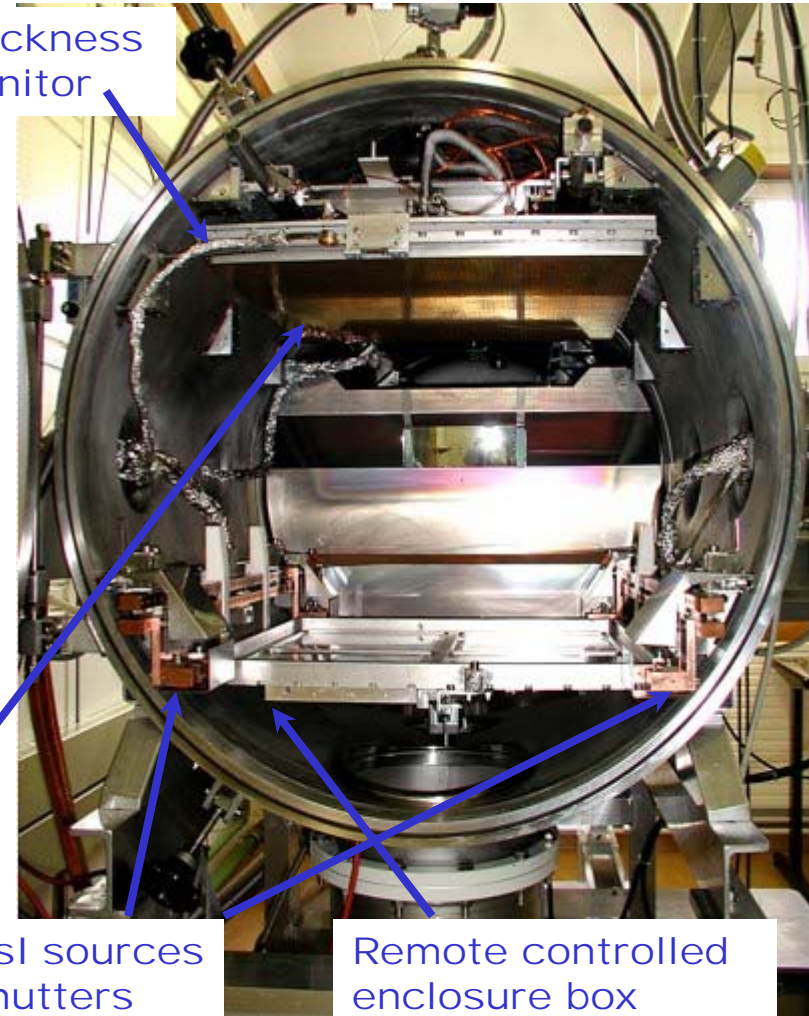


Thickness monitor

PC

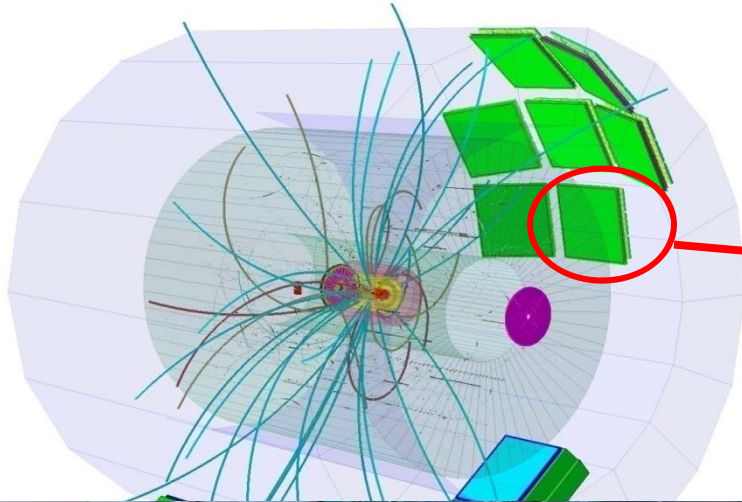
4 CsI sources + shutters

Remote controlled enclosure box

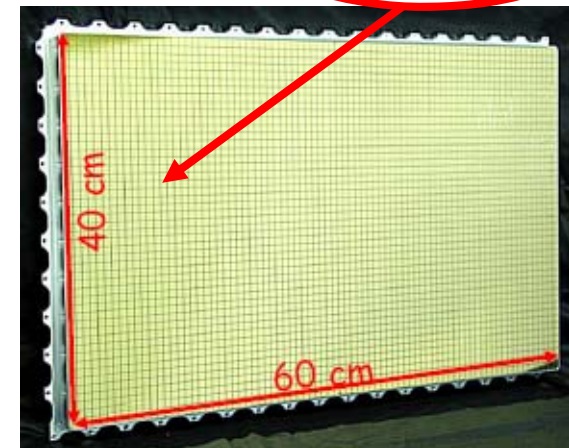
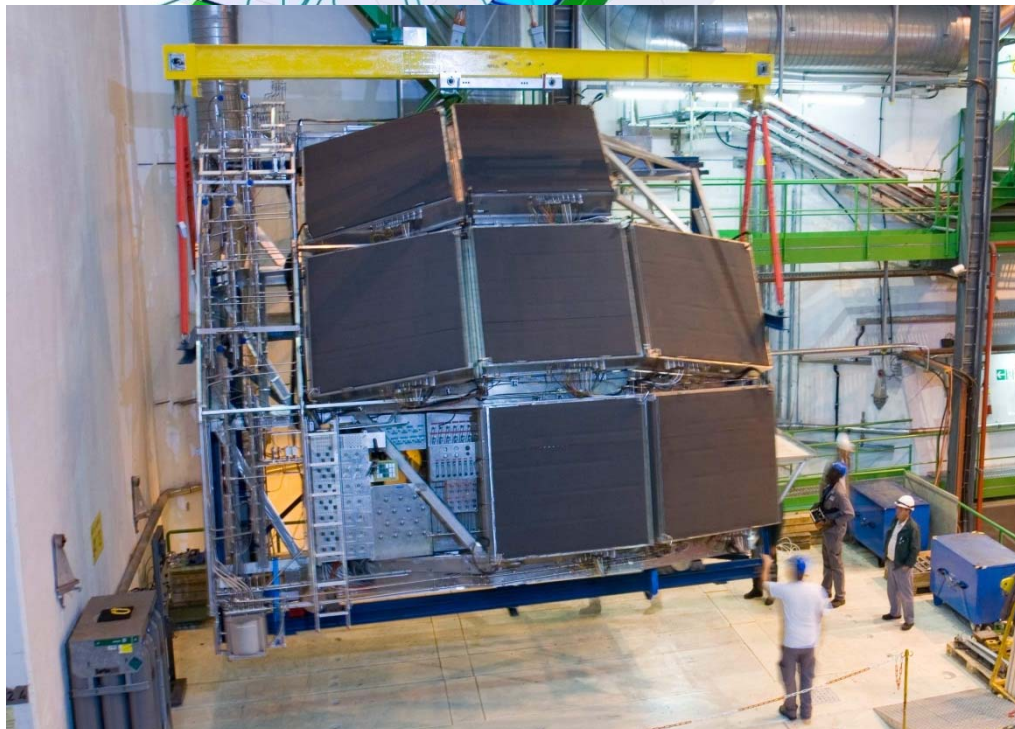
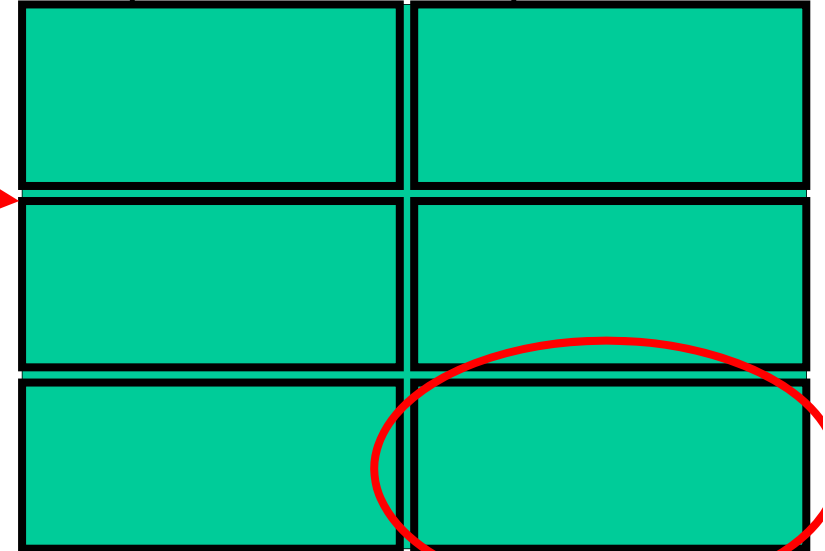


ALICE RICH = HMPID

The largest scale (11 m²) application of CsI photo-cathodes in HEP!

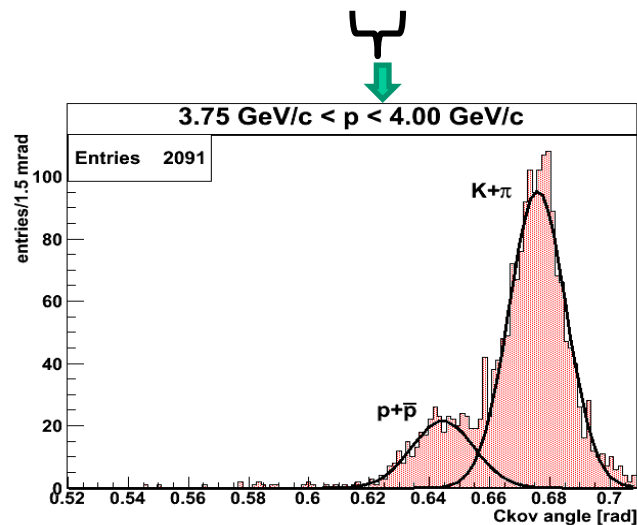
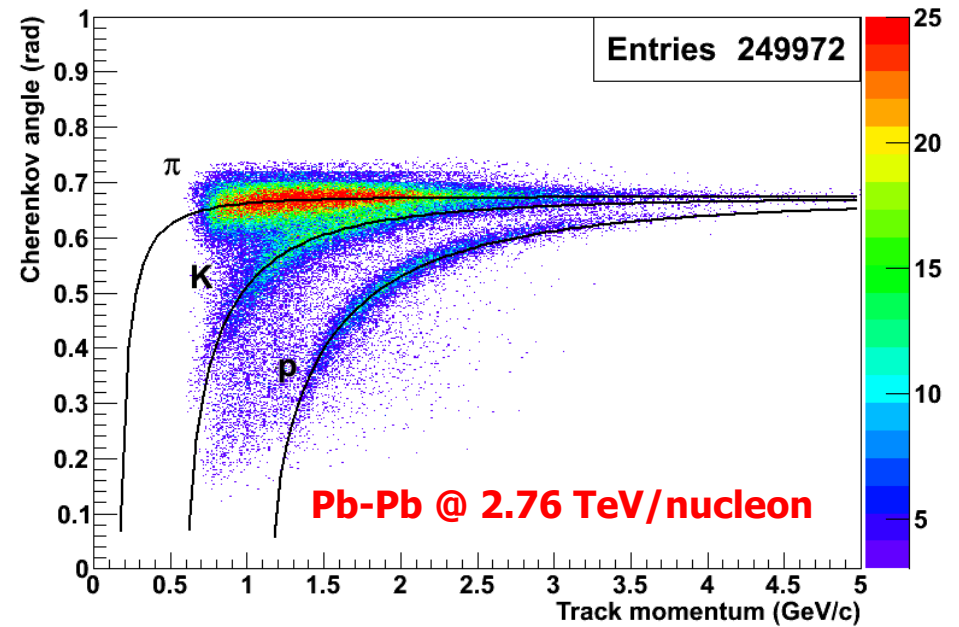
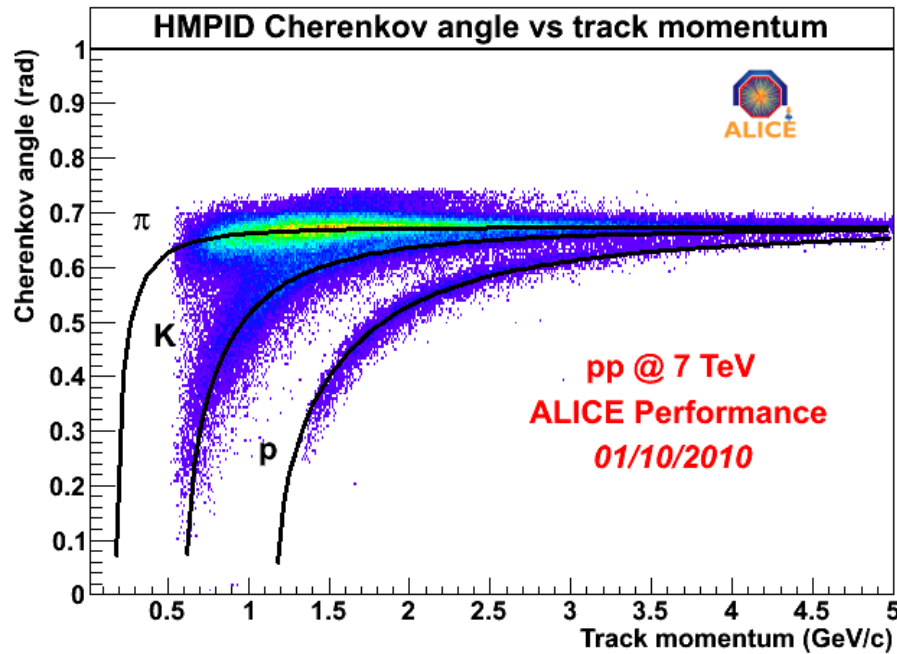


Six photo-cathodes per module



CsI photo-cathode is segmented in 0.8x0.84 cm pads

ALICE HMPID performance



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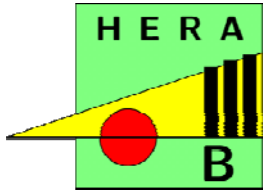
Cherenkov counters with vacuum based photodetectors

Some applications: operation at high rates over extended running periods (years) → wire chamber based photon detectors were found to be unsuitable (problems in high rate operation, ageing, only UV photons, difficult handling in 4π spectrometers)

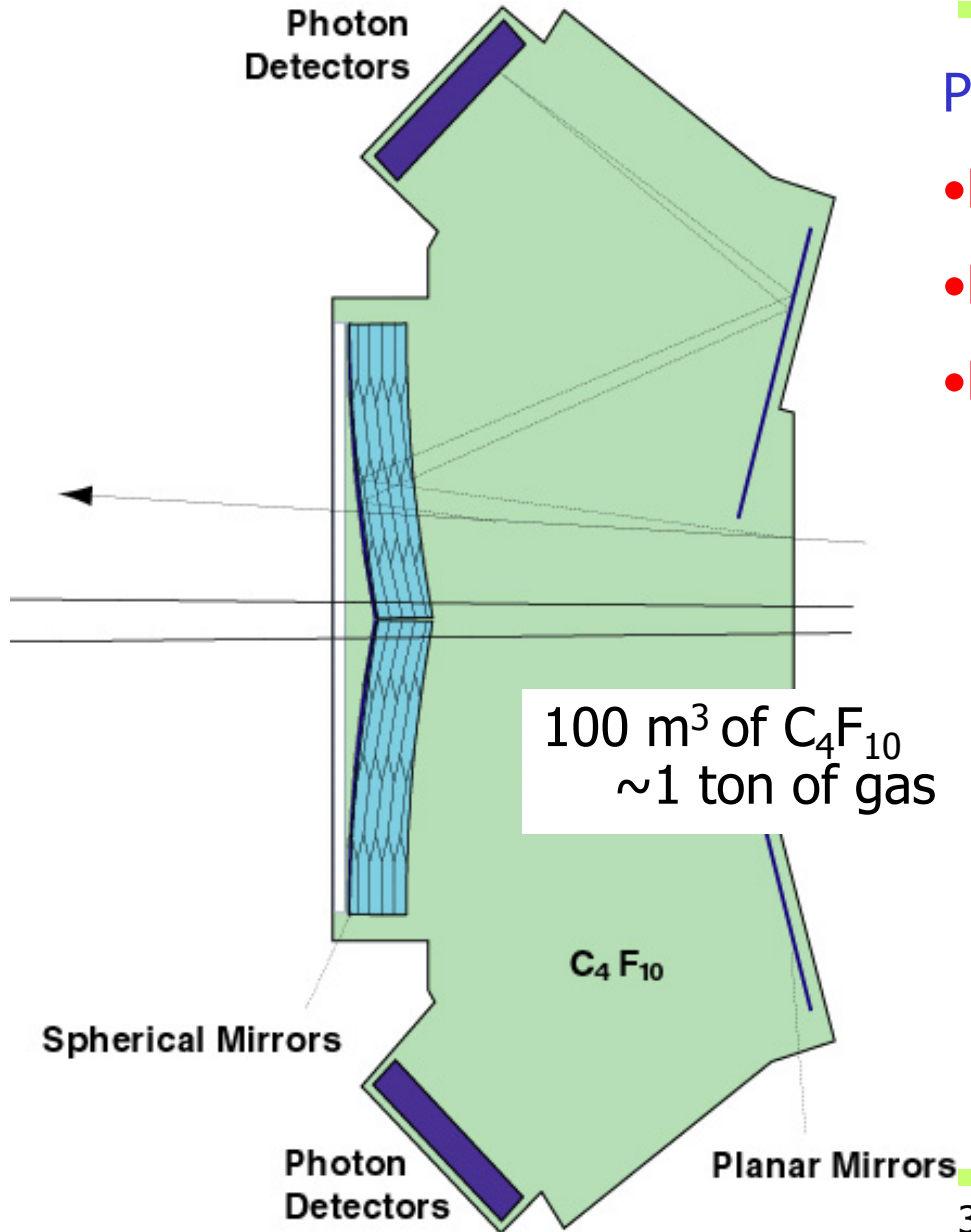
→ Need **vacuum based photon detectors** (e.g. PMTs)

Good spacial resolution (pads with ~ 5 mm size)

→ Need **multinode** PMTs

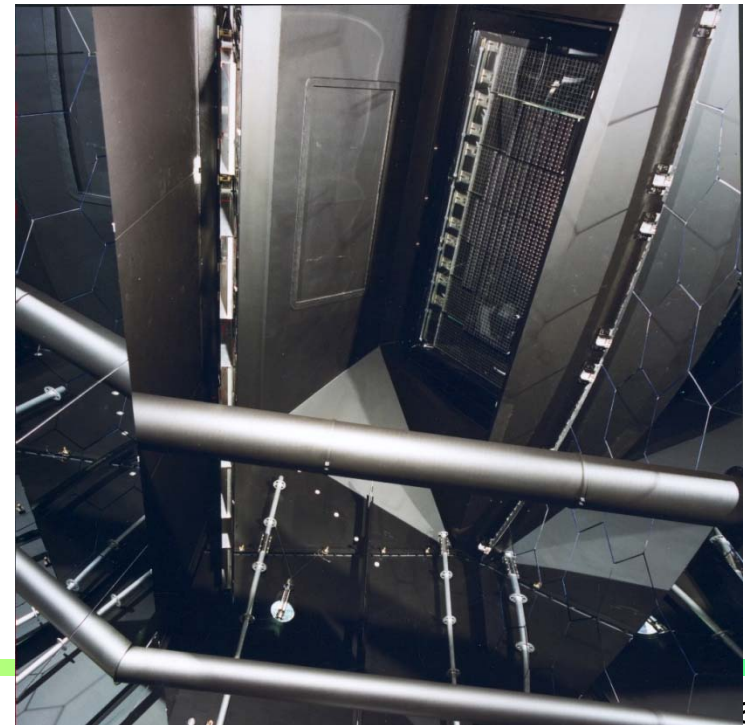


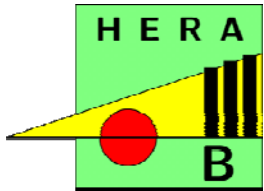
HERA-B RICH



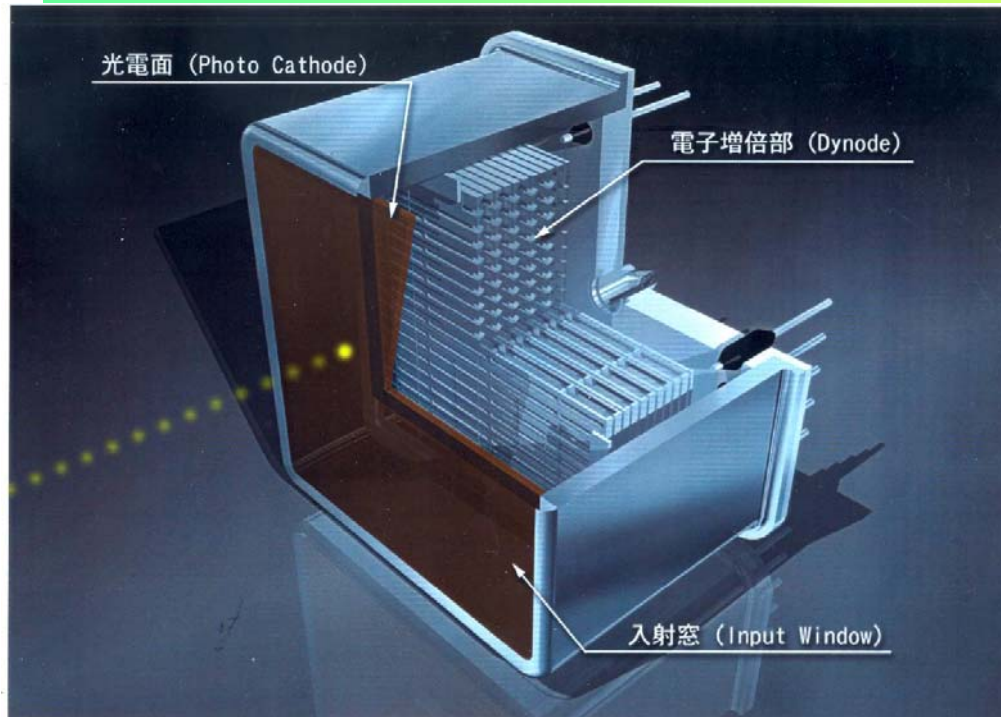
Photon detector requirements:

- High QE over $\sim 3\text{m}^2$
- Rates $\sim 1\text{MHz}$
- Long term stability





Multianode PMTs



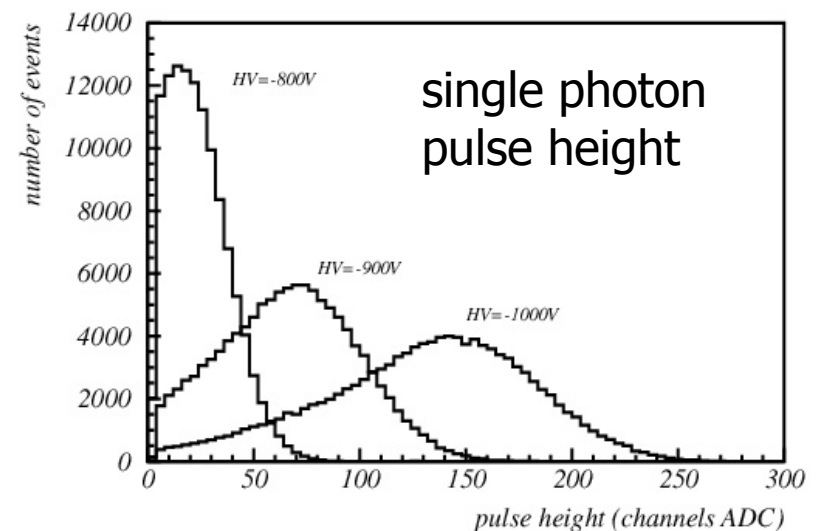
Multianode PMTs with metal foil dynodes and 2x2, 4x4 or 8x8 anodes Hamamatsu R5900 (and follow up types 7600, 8500)

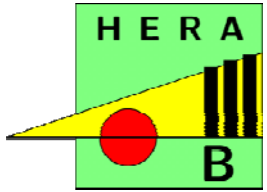
→ Excellent single photon pulse height spectrum

→ Low noise (few Hz/ch)

→ Low cross-talk (<1%)

→ NIM A394 (1997) 27

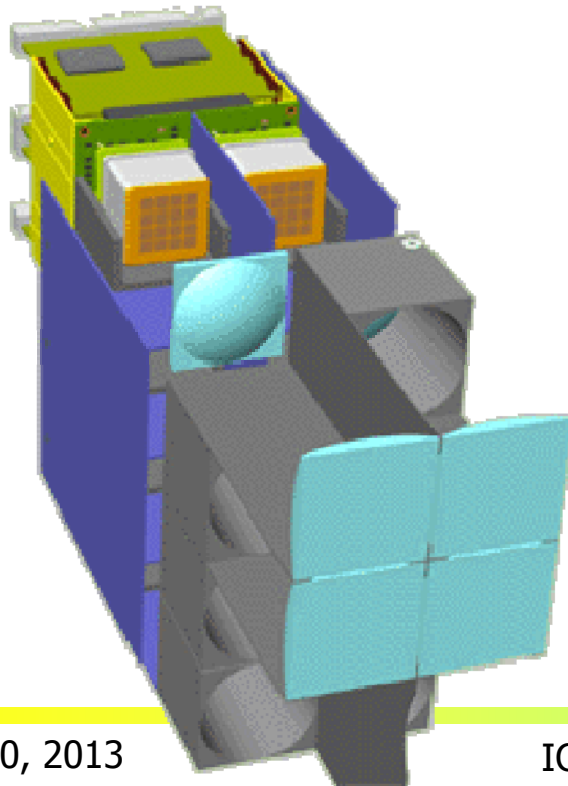




HERA-B RICH photon detector

Light collection system
(imaging!) to:

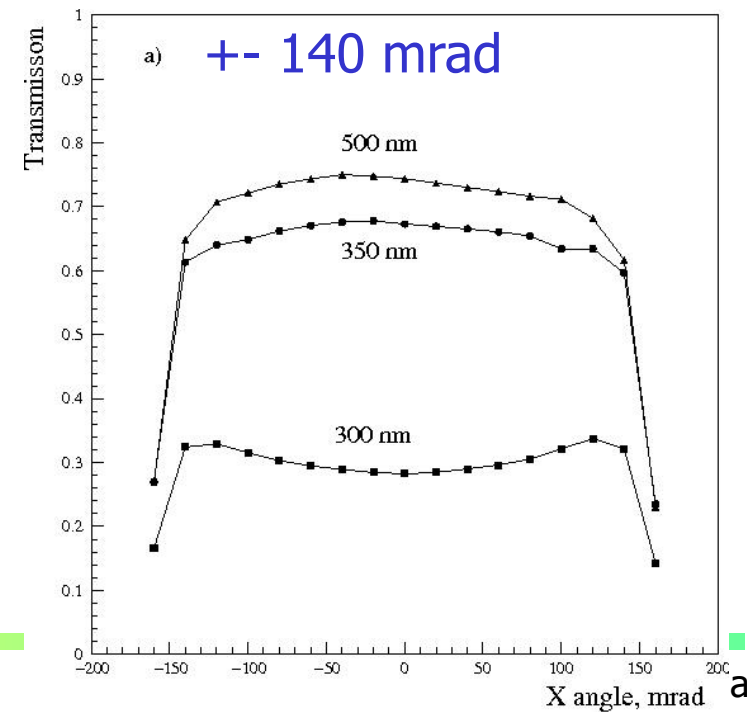
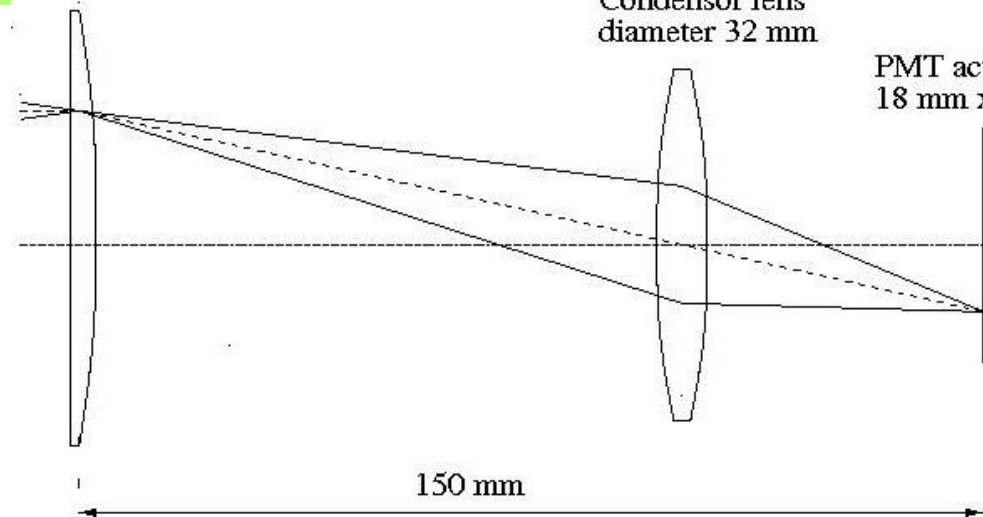
- Eliminate dead areas
- Adapt the pad size



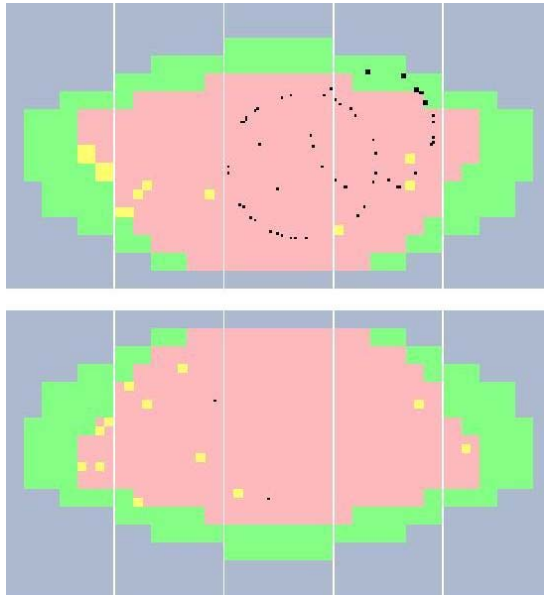
Field lens, 35 mm x 35 mm

Condensor lens
diameter 32 mm

PMT active area
18 mm x 18 mm

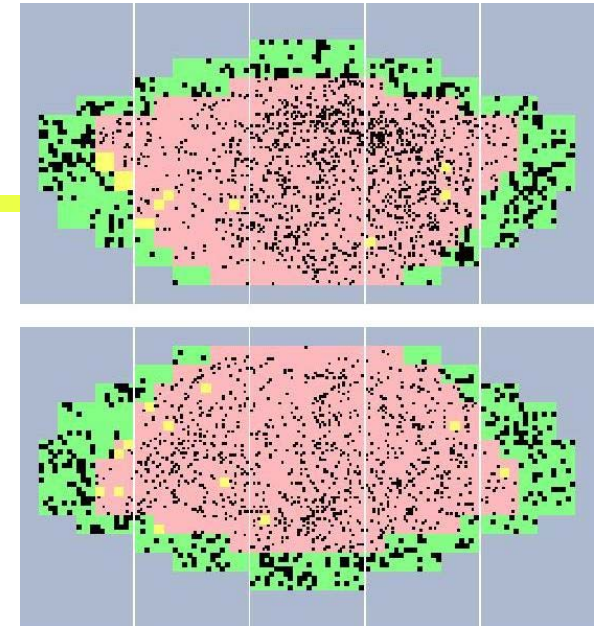


HERA-B RICH

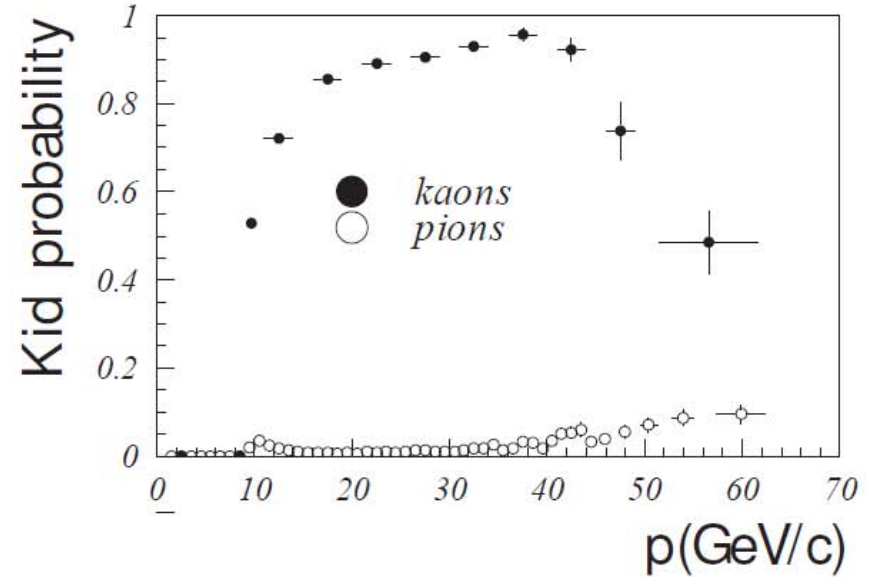
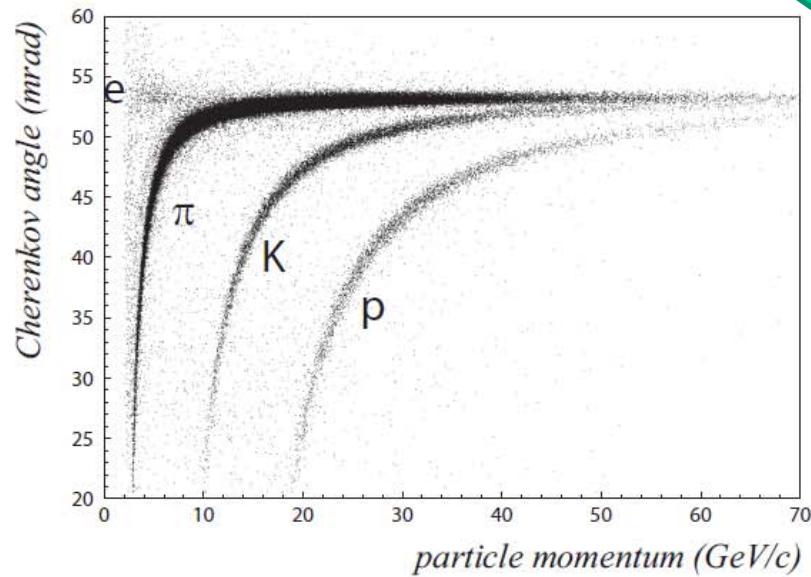


← Little noise, ~30 photons per ring

Typical event →

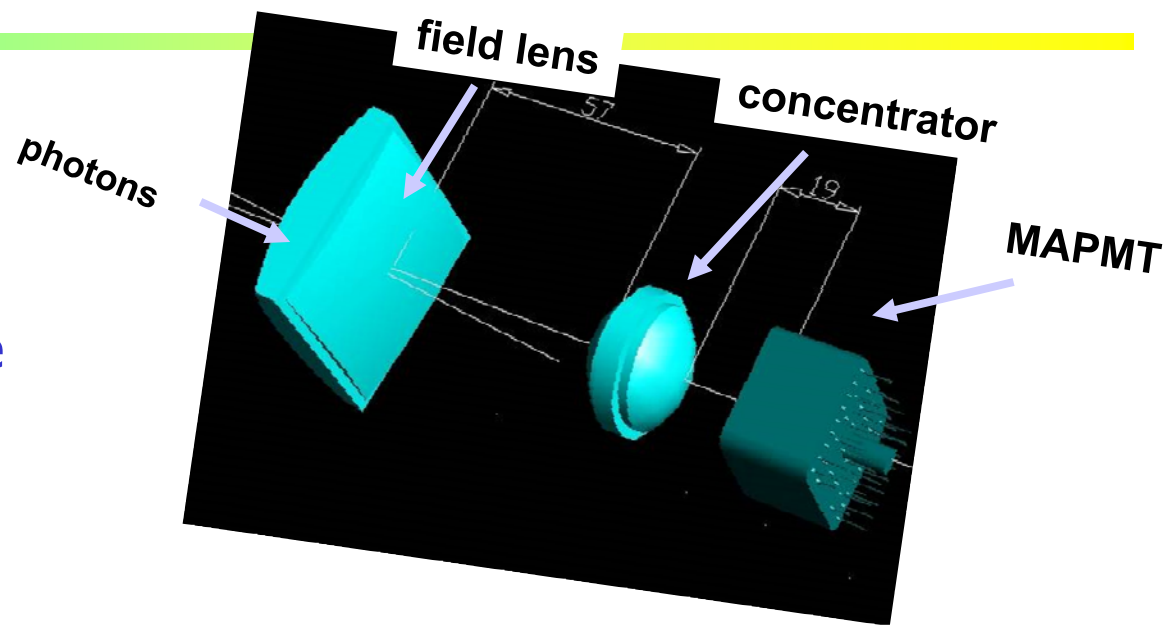


Worked very well!



Photon detector for the COMPASS RICH-1

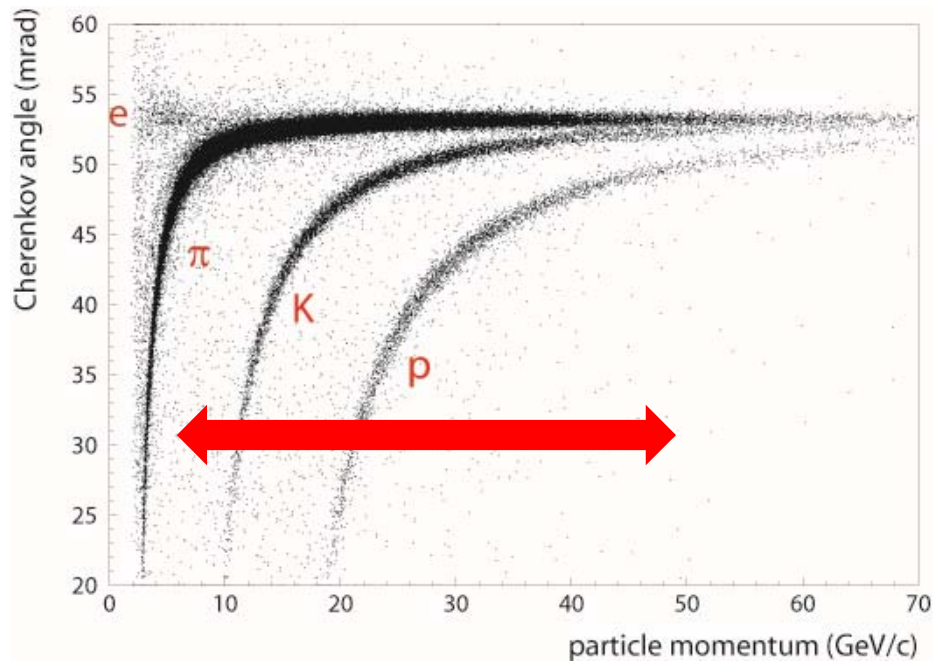
Upgraded COMPASS RICH-1:
similar concept as in the
HERA-B RICH



New features:

- UV extended PMTs & lenses (down to 200 nm) → more photons
- surface ratio = (telescope entrance surface) / (photocathode surface) = 7
- fast electronics with <120 ps time resolution

Kinematic range of a RICH counter



Example: kinematic range for kaon/pion separation

Kinematic range for separation of two particle types:

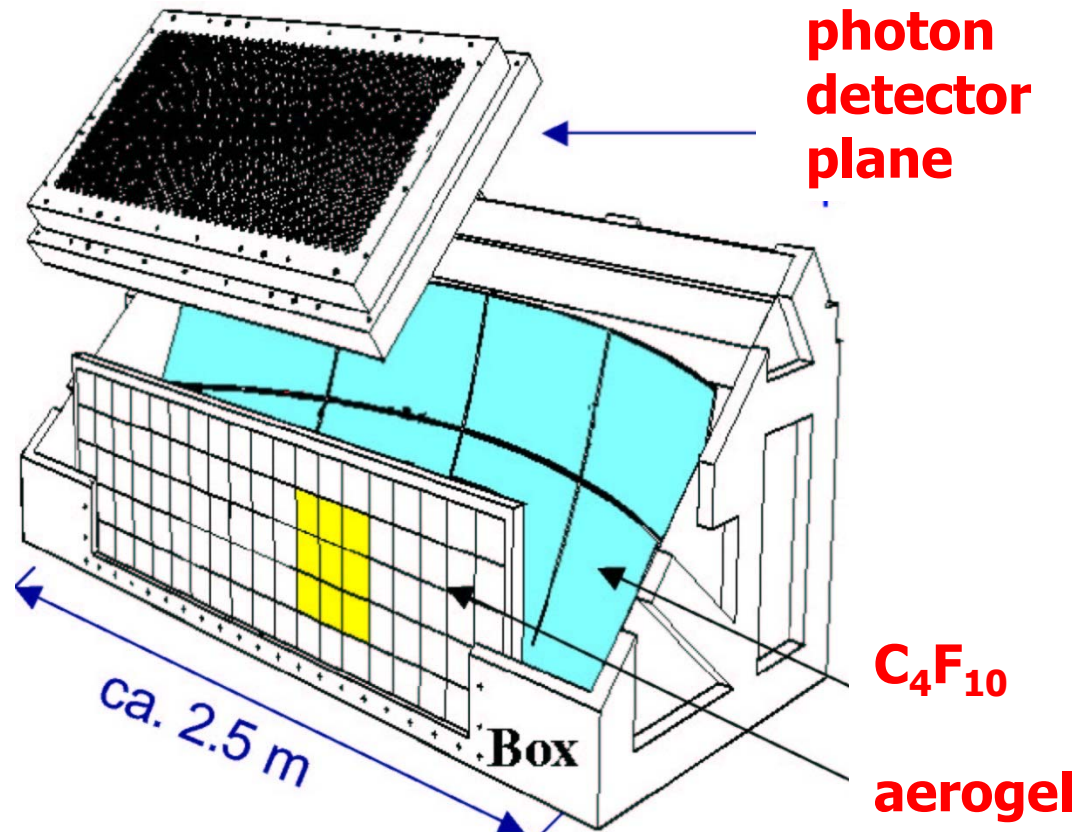
- Lower limit p_{\min} : sufficiently above lighter particle threshold
- Upper limit p_{\max} : given by Cherenkov angle resolution – overlap of the two bands

Rule of thumb: $p_{\max} / p_{\min} < 10$

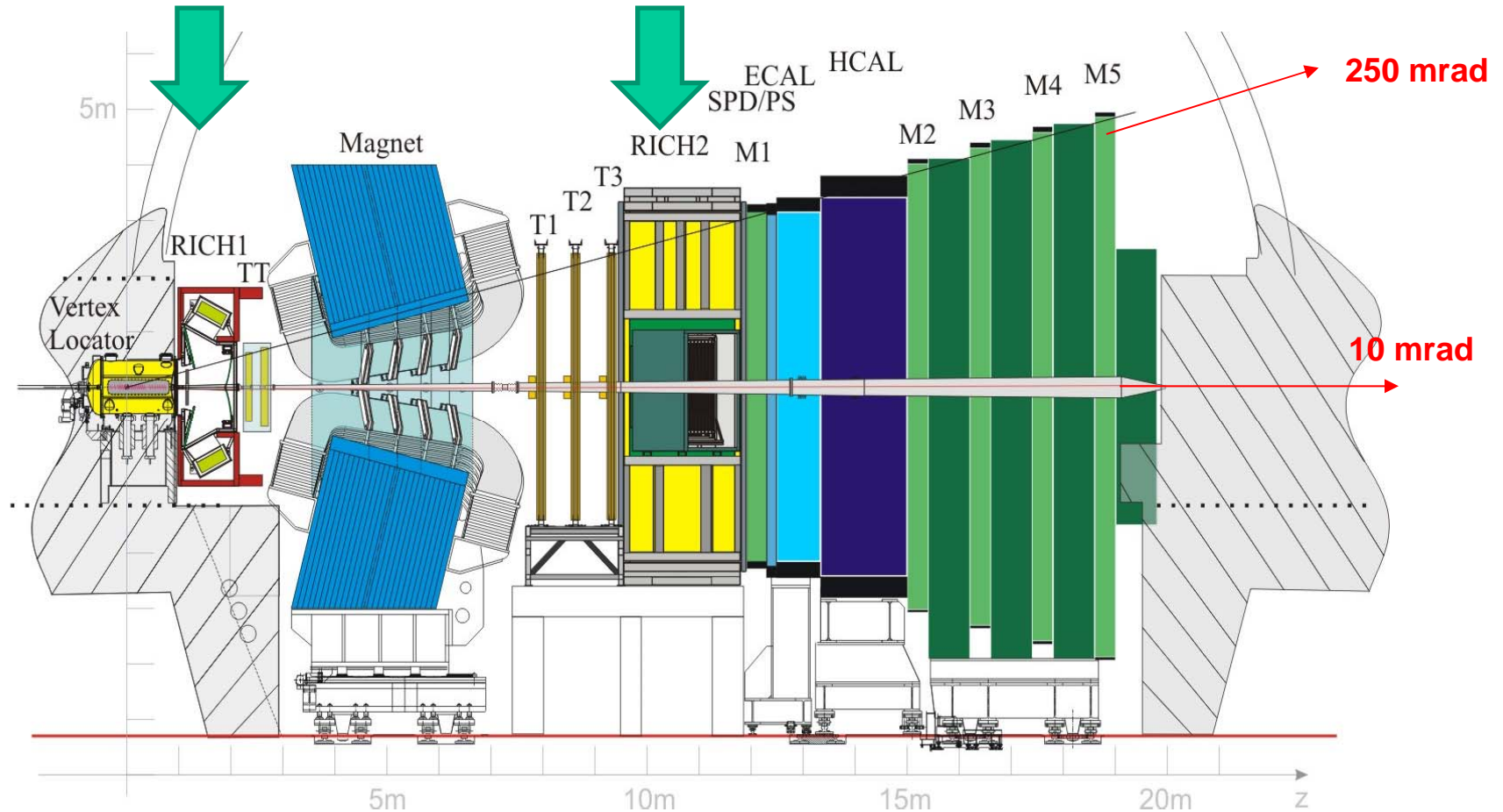
RICHes with several radiators

Extending the kinematic range → need more than one radiator

- DELPHI, SLD (liquid + gas)
- HERMES (aerogel+gas)



The LHCb RICH counters



Vertex reconstruction:
VELO

Trigger:
Muon Chambers
Calorimeters
Tracker

PID:
RICHes
Calorimeters
Muon Chambers

Kinematics:
Magnet
Tracker
Calorimeters

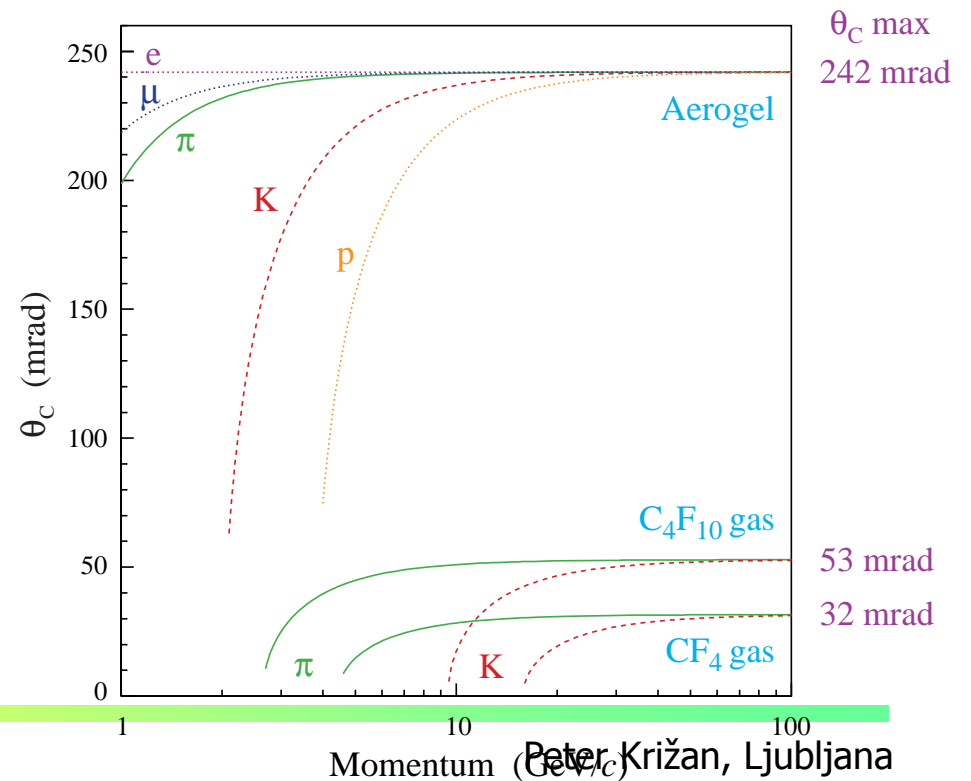
LHCb RICHes

Need:

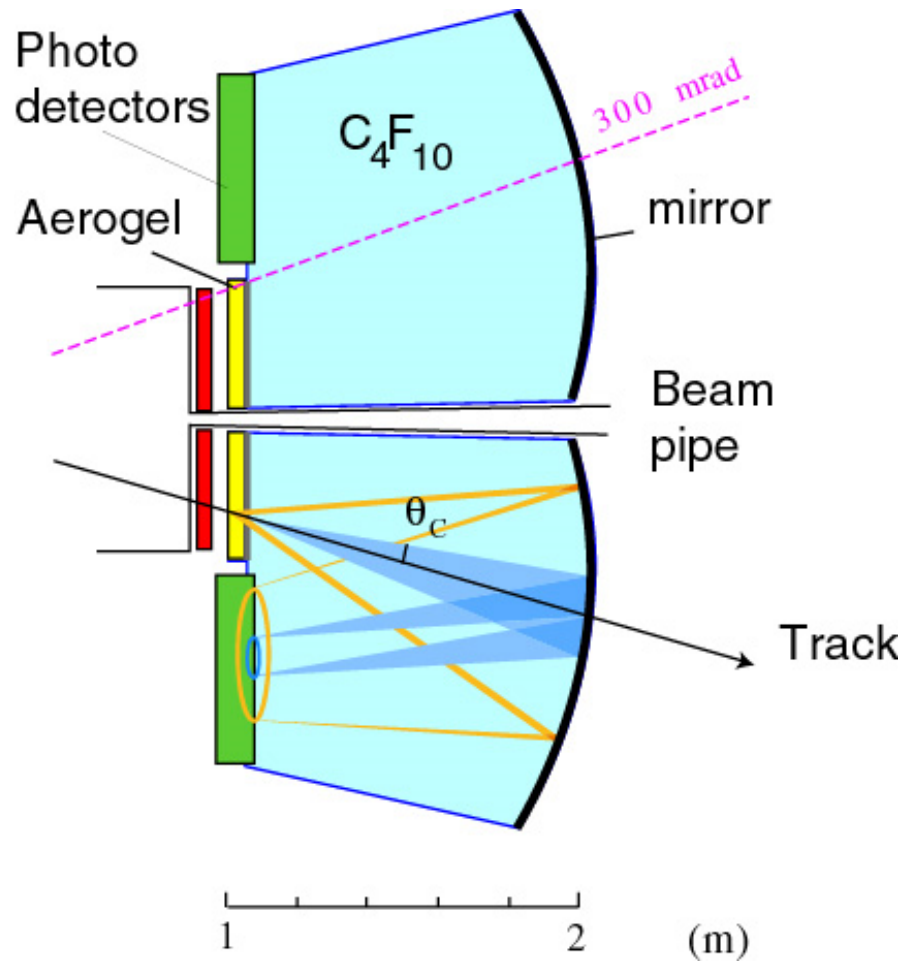
- Particle identification for momentum range $\sim 2\text{-}100\text{ GeV}/c$
- Granularity $2.5 \times 2.5\text{ mm}^2$
- Large area (2.8 m^2) with high active area fraction
- Fast compared to the 25ns bunch crossing time
- Have to operate in a small B field

→ 3 radiators

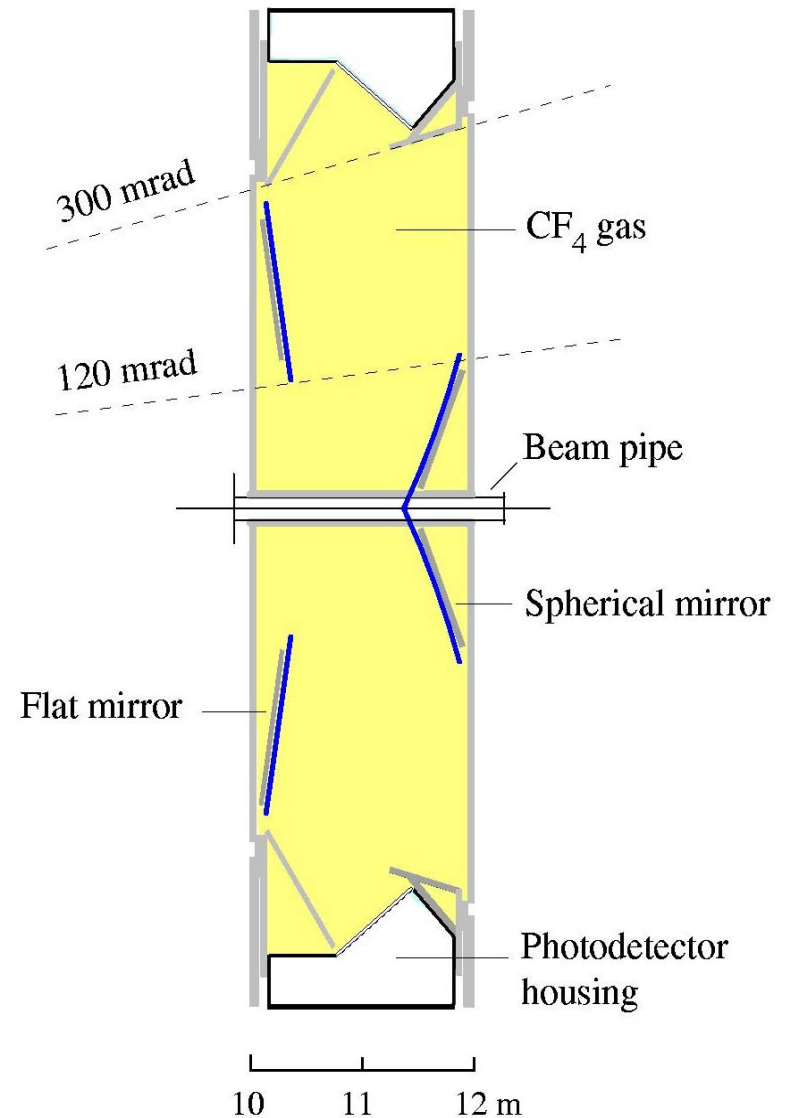
- Aerogel
- C_4F_{10} gas
- CF_4 gas



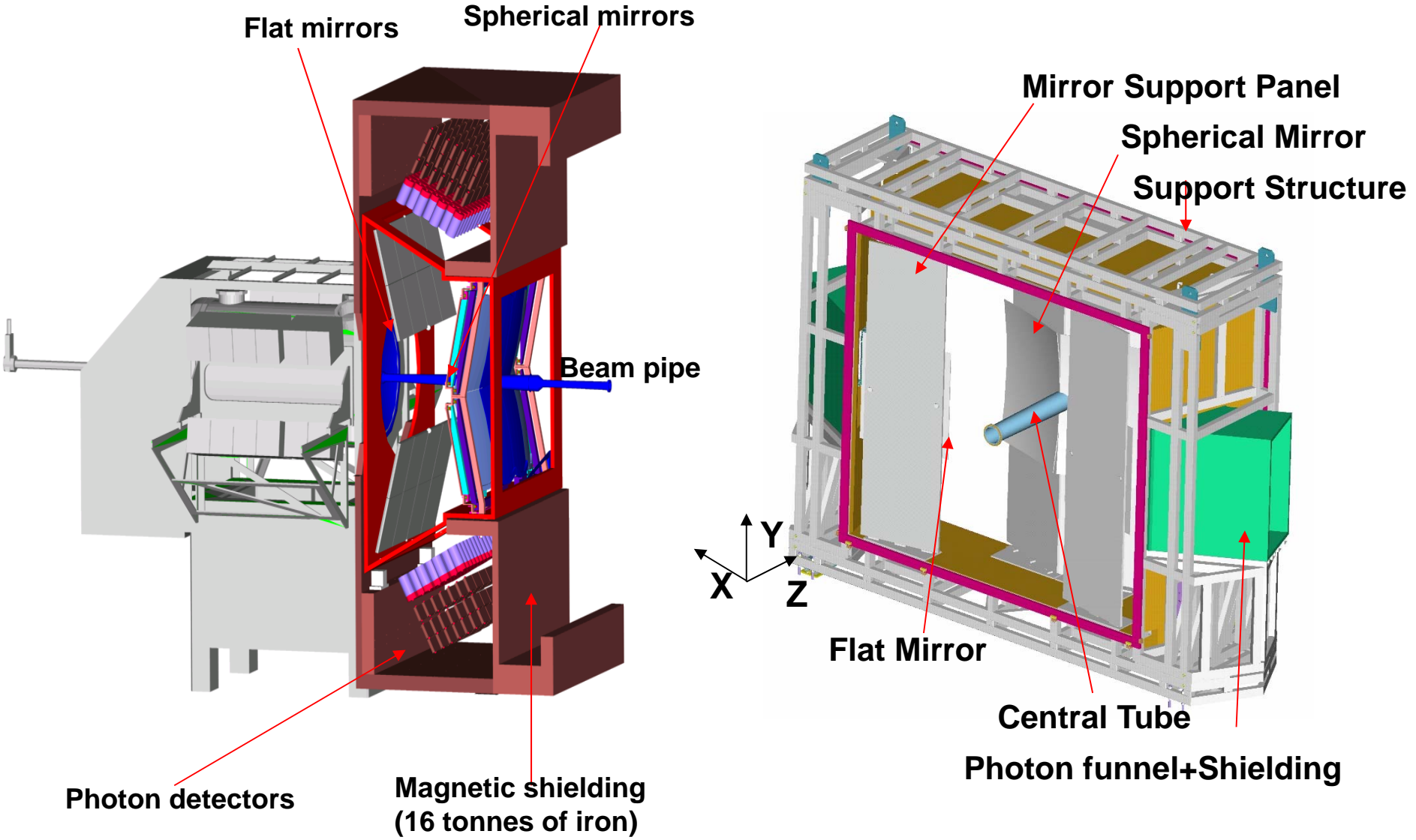
LHCb RICHes



RICH 1 + 2



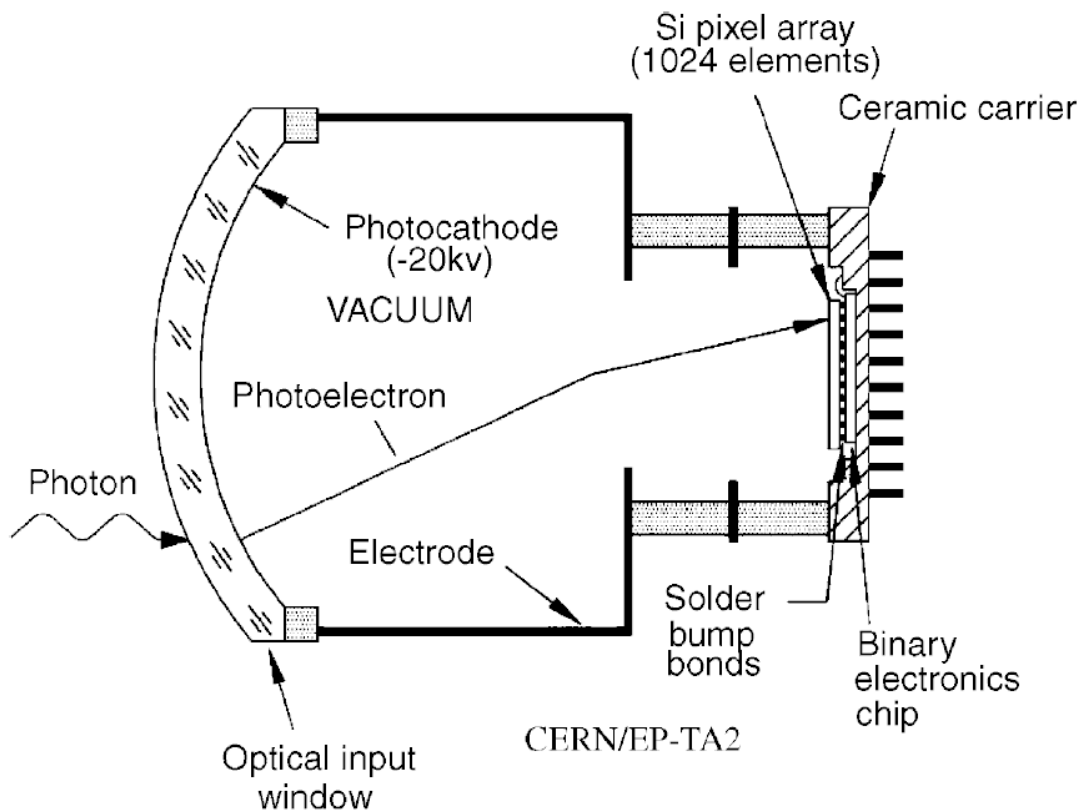
LHCb RICHes



LHCb RICHes

Photon detector: hybrid PMT (R+D with DEP) with 5x demagnification (electrostatic focusing).

Hybrid PMT: accelerate photoelectrons in electric field ($\sim 20\text{kV}$), detect it in a pixelated silicon detector.



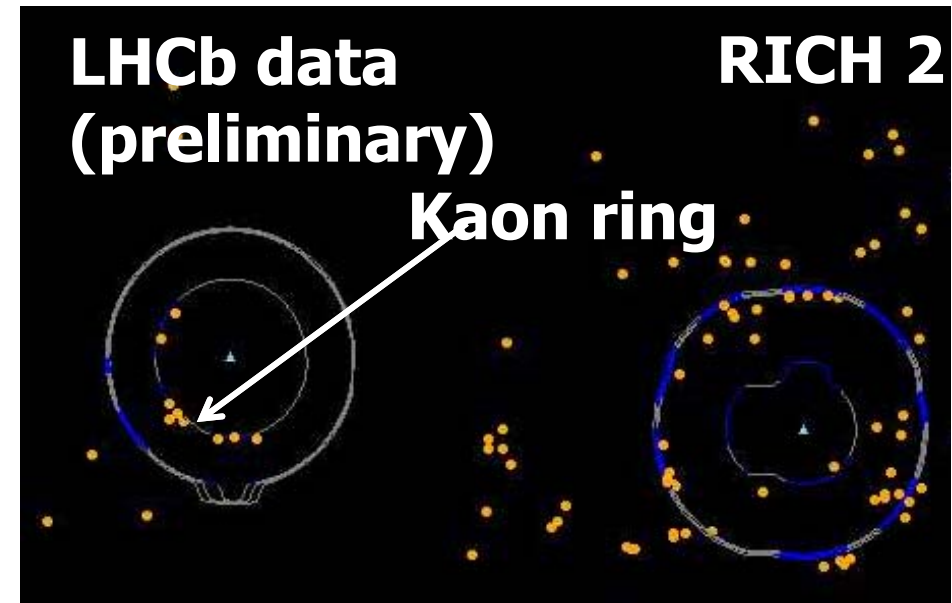
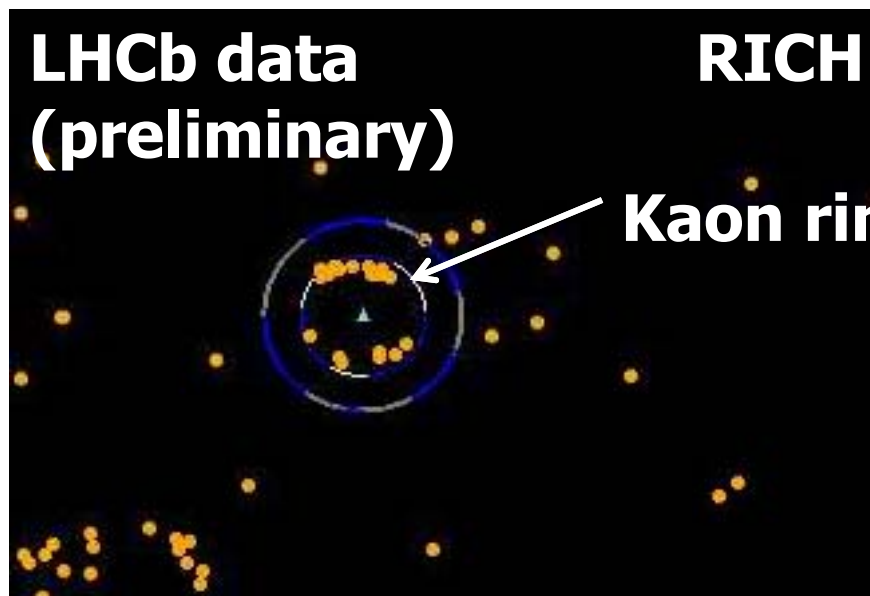
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LHCb Event Display

RICH1

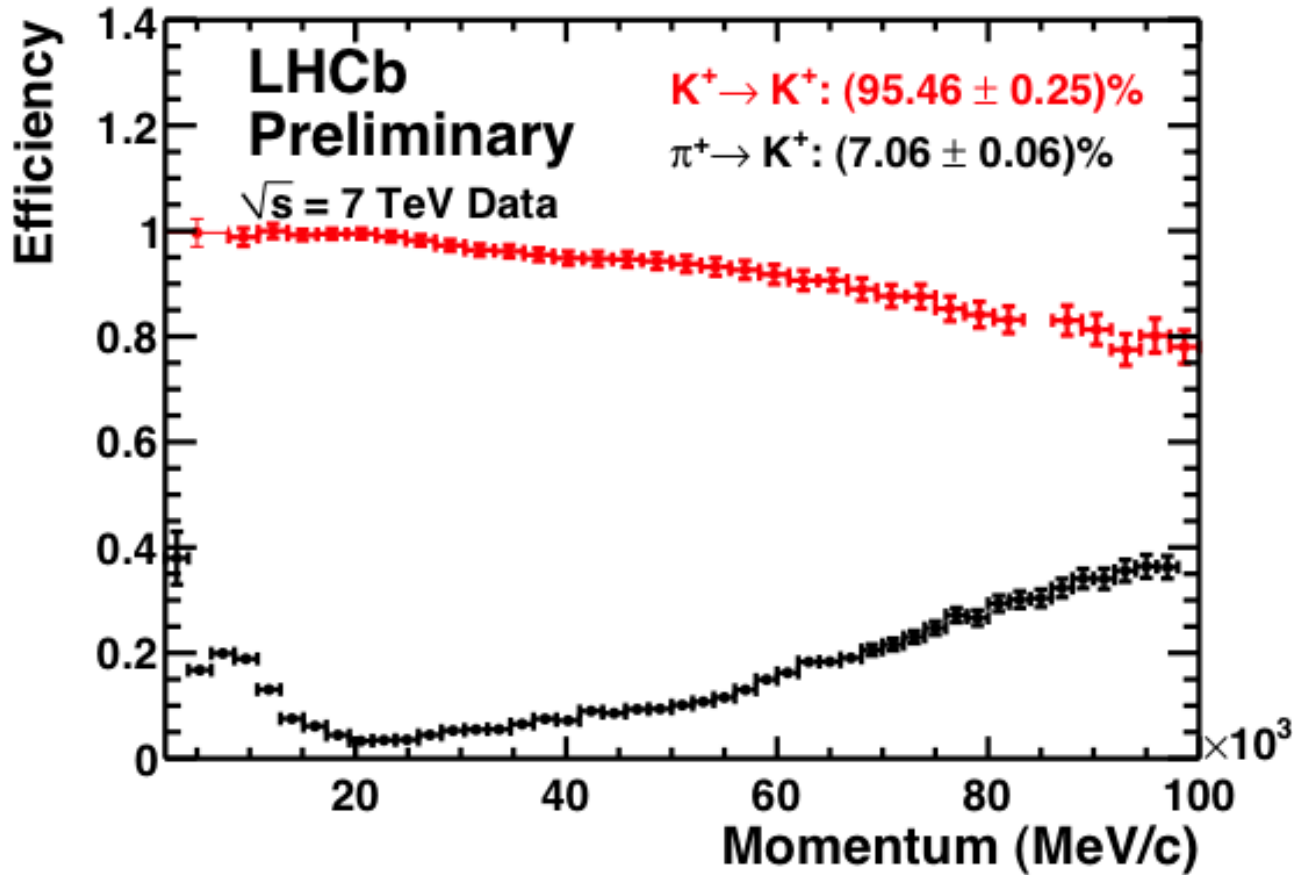
Early data, Nov/Dec 2009
LHC beams $\sqrt{s} = 900$ GeV

RICH2

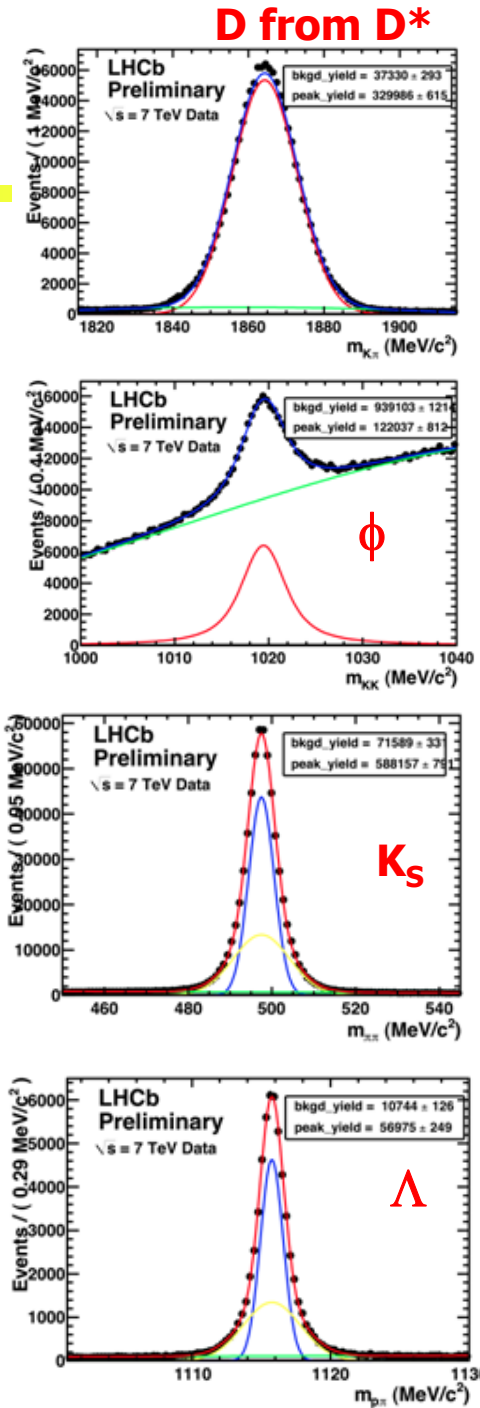


- Orange points → photon hits
- Continuous lines → expected distribution for each particle hypothesis

LHCb RICHes: performance



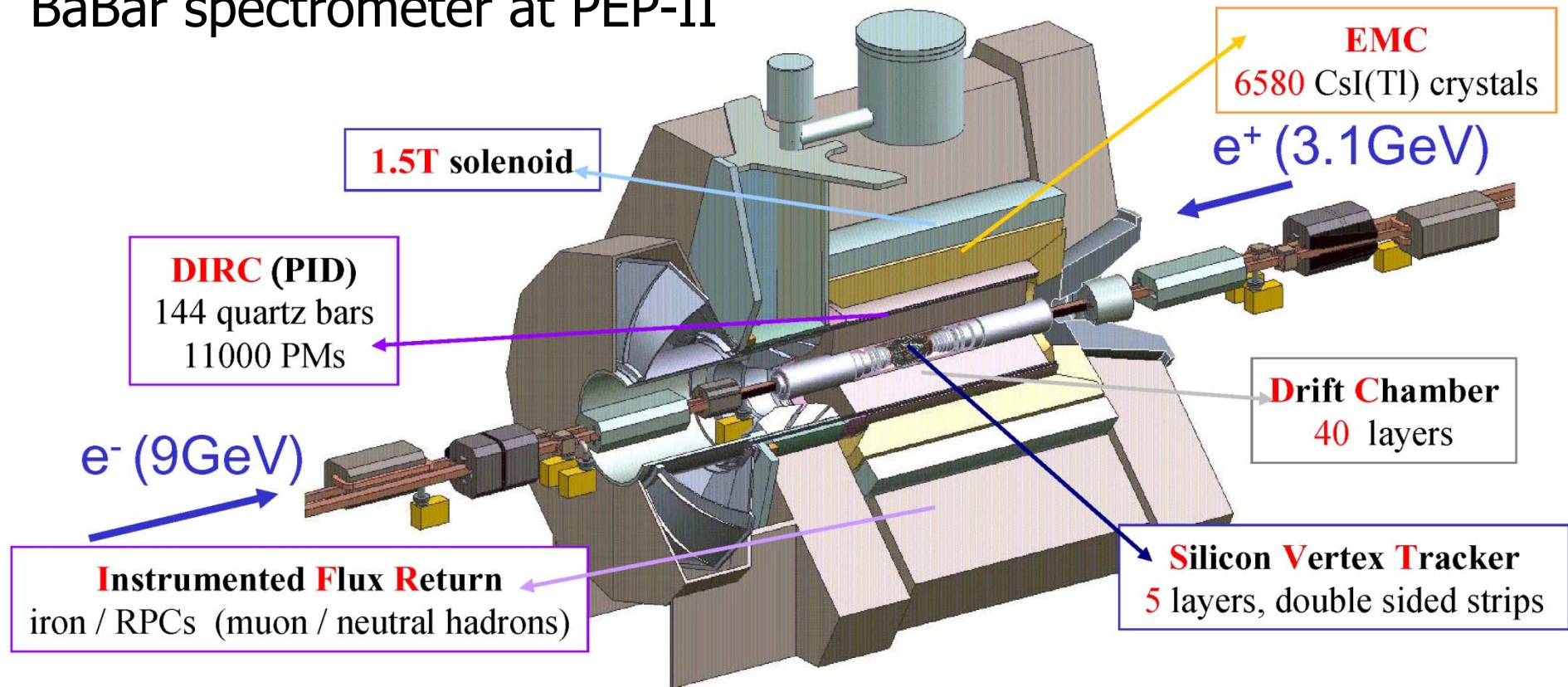
Efficiency and purity from data →
 excellent agreement with MC



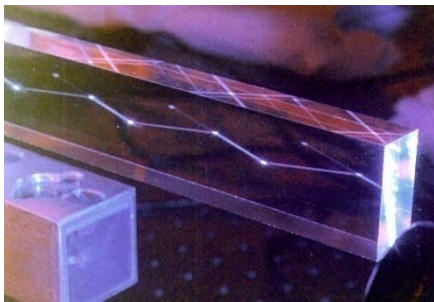
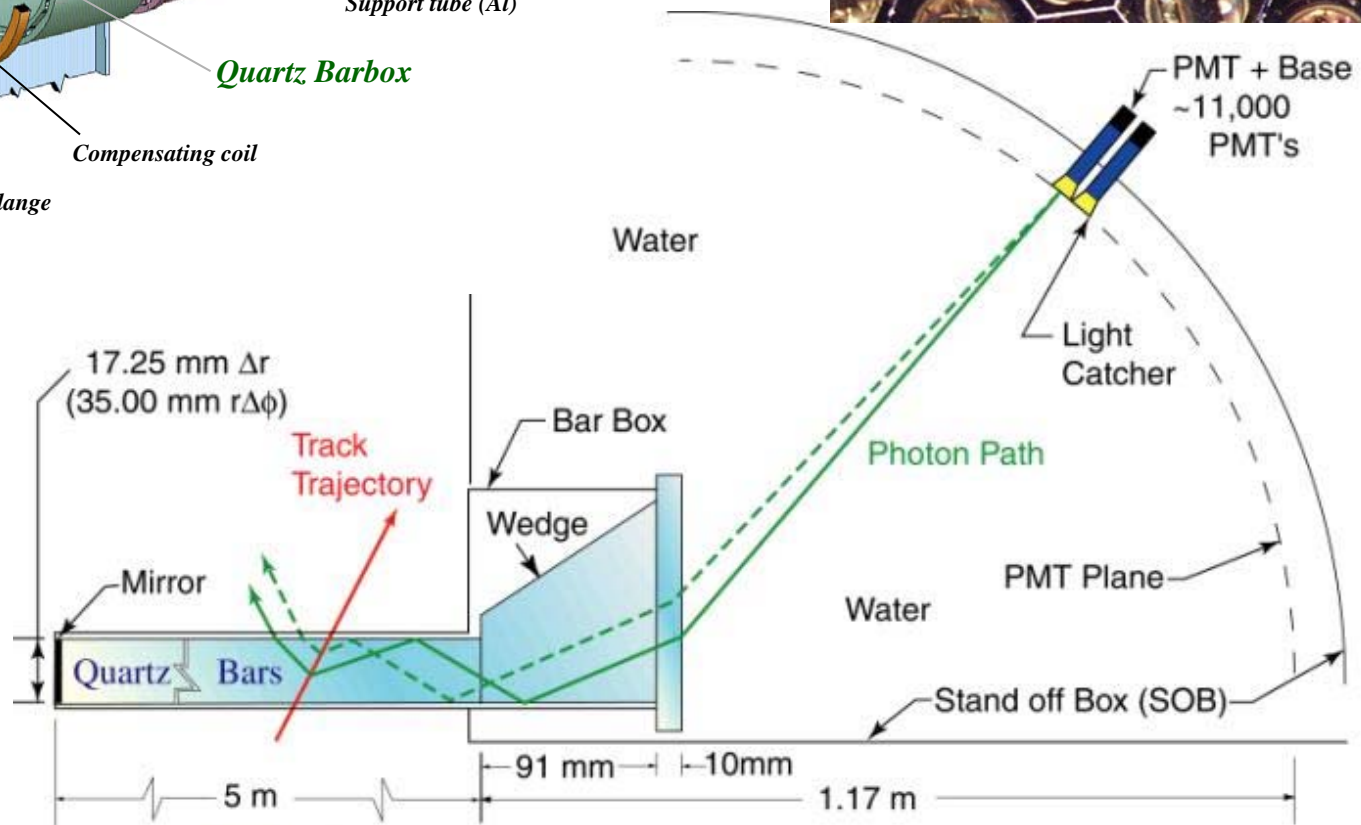
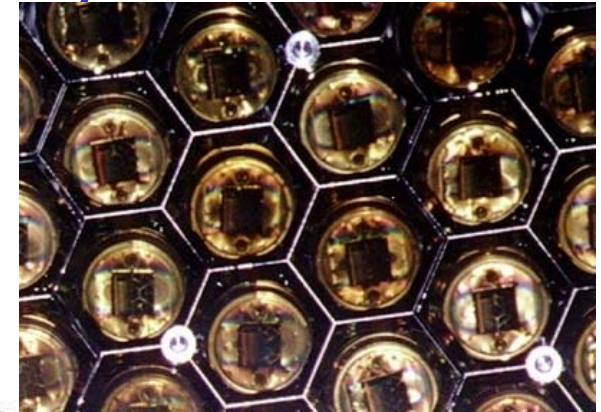
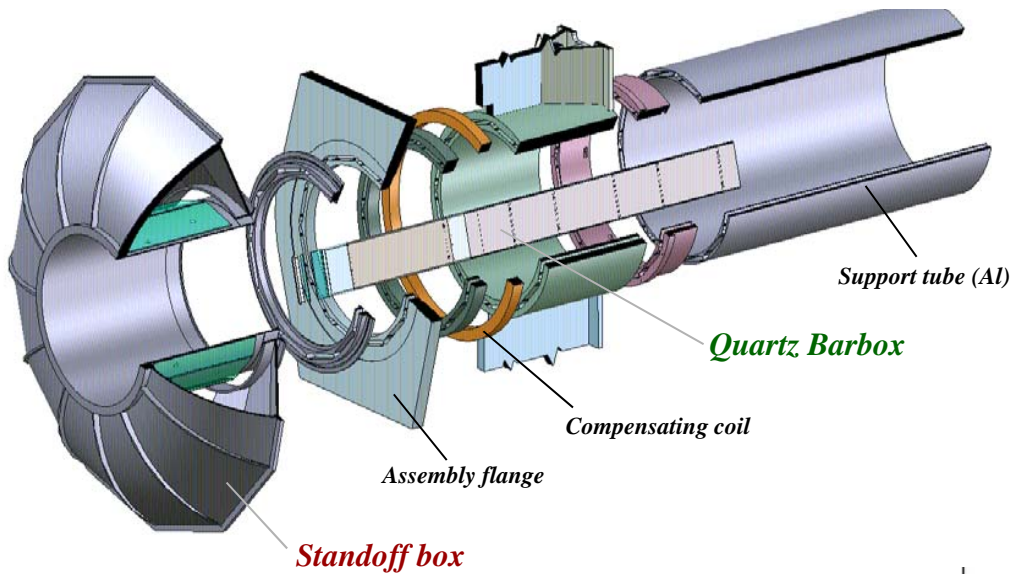


DIRC - detector of internally reflected Cherenkov light

BaBar spectrometer at PEP-II

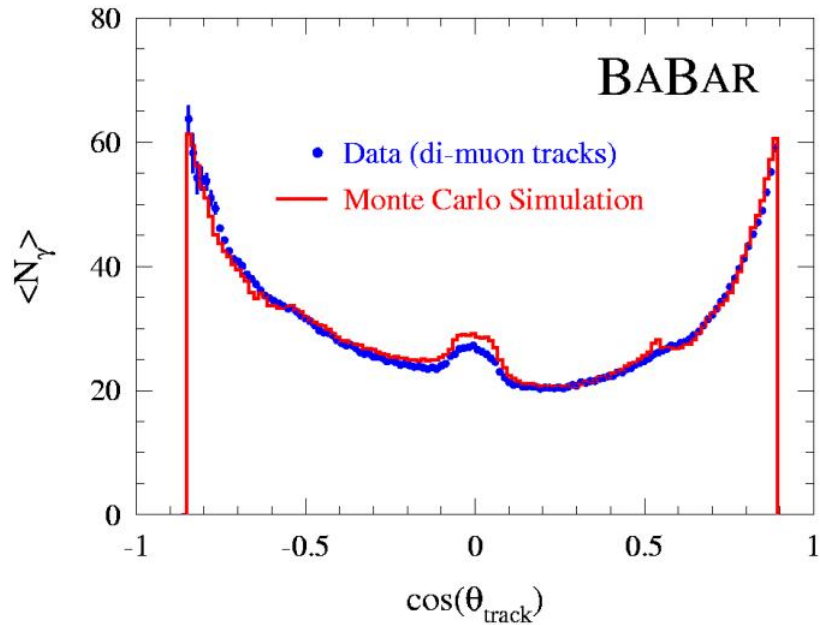


DIRC (@BaBar) - detector of internally reflected Cherenkov light



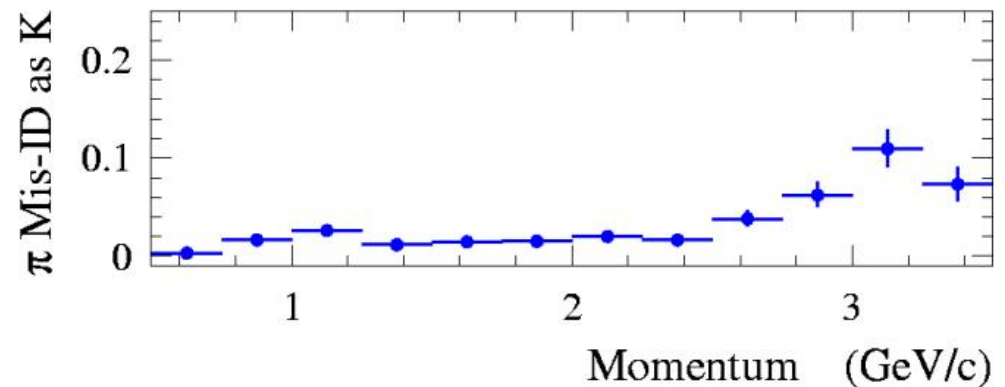
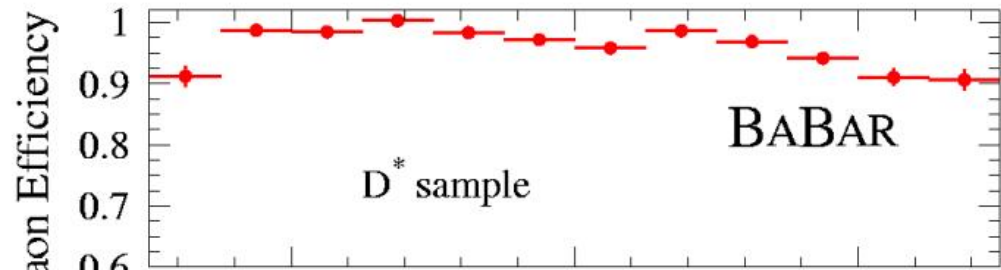
4 x 1.225 m Bars
glued end-to-end

DIRC performance



← Lots of photons!

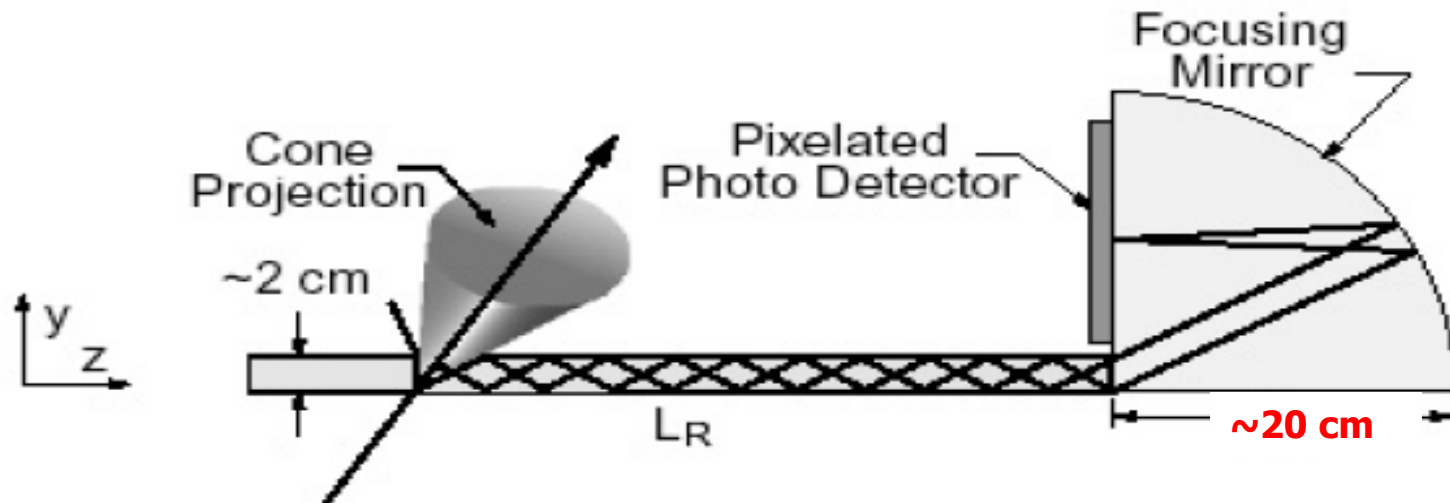
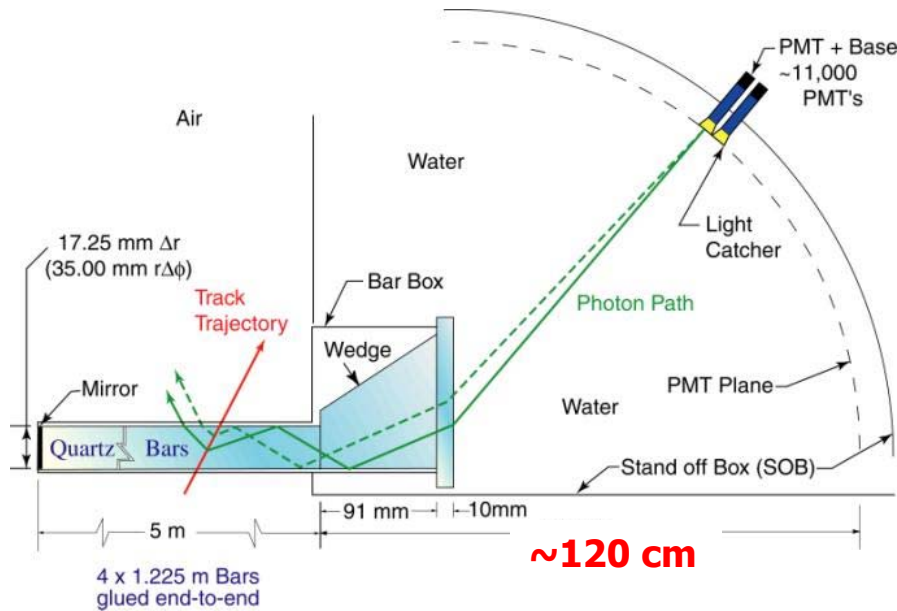
Excellent π/K separation





Focusing DIRC

Upgrade: step further, remove the stand-off box →





Focusing DIRC

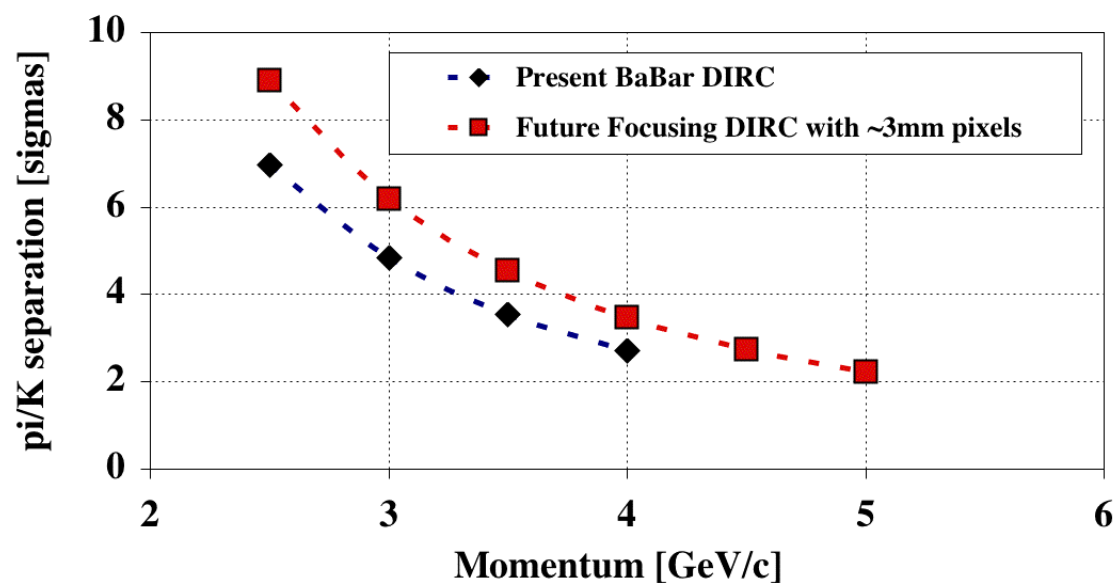
Super-B factory: 100x higher luminosity \Rightarrow DIRC needs to be smaller and faster

Focusing and smaller pixels can reduce the expansion volume by a factor of 7-10

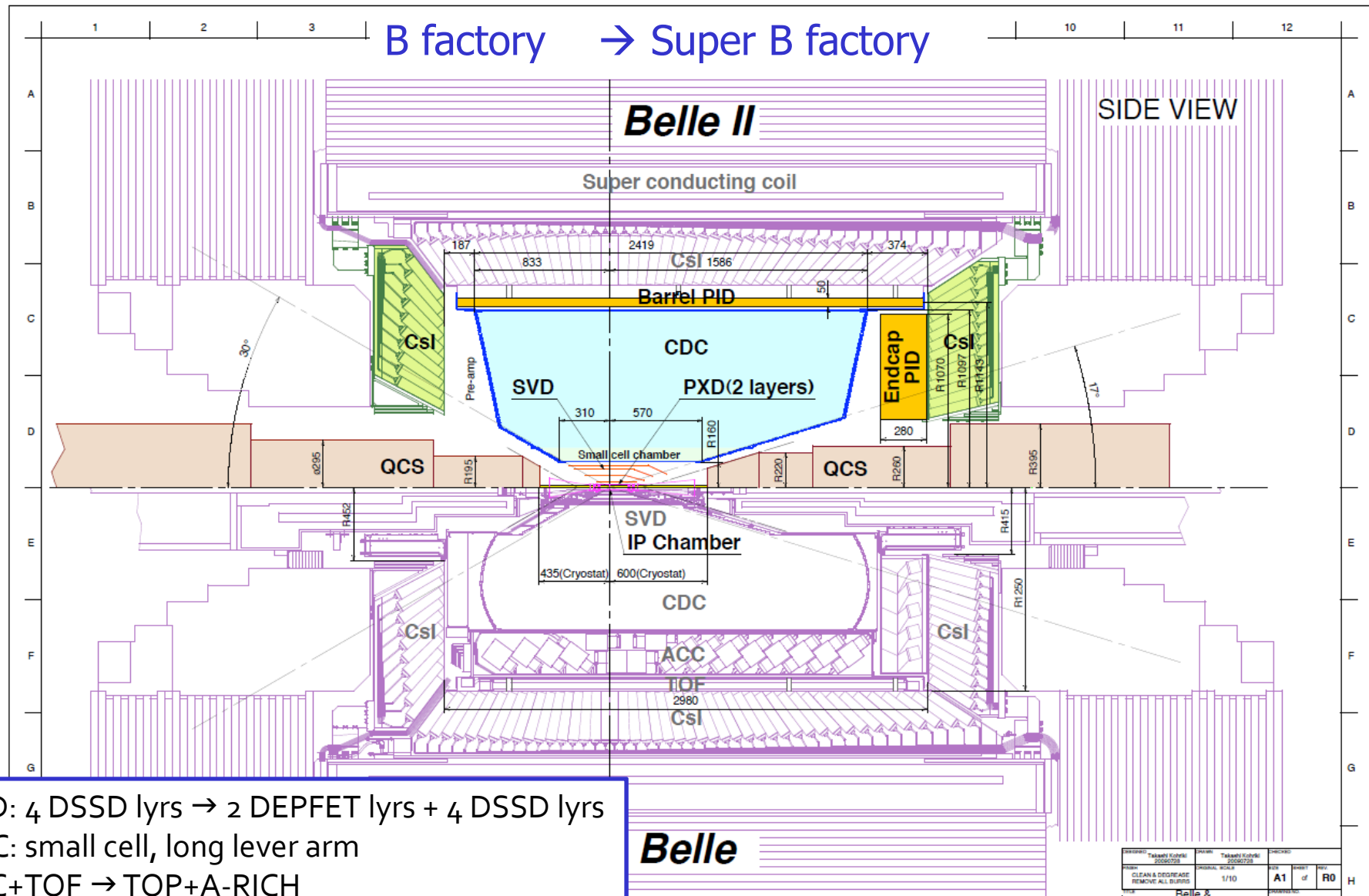
Timing resolution improvement: $\sigma \sim 1.7\text{ns}$ (BaBar DIRC) $\rightarrow \sigma \leq 150\text{-}200\text{ps}$ ($\sim 10\text{x}$ better) allows a measurement of the photon group velocity $c_g(\lambda)$ to correct the chromatic error of θ_c .

Photon detector:

- Pad size $< 5\text{mm}$
- Time resolution $\sim 50\text{-}100\text{ps}$



Belle → Belle II



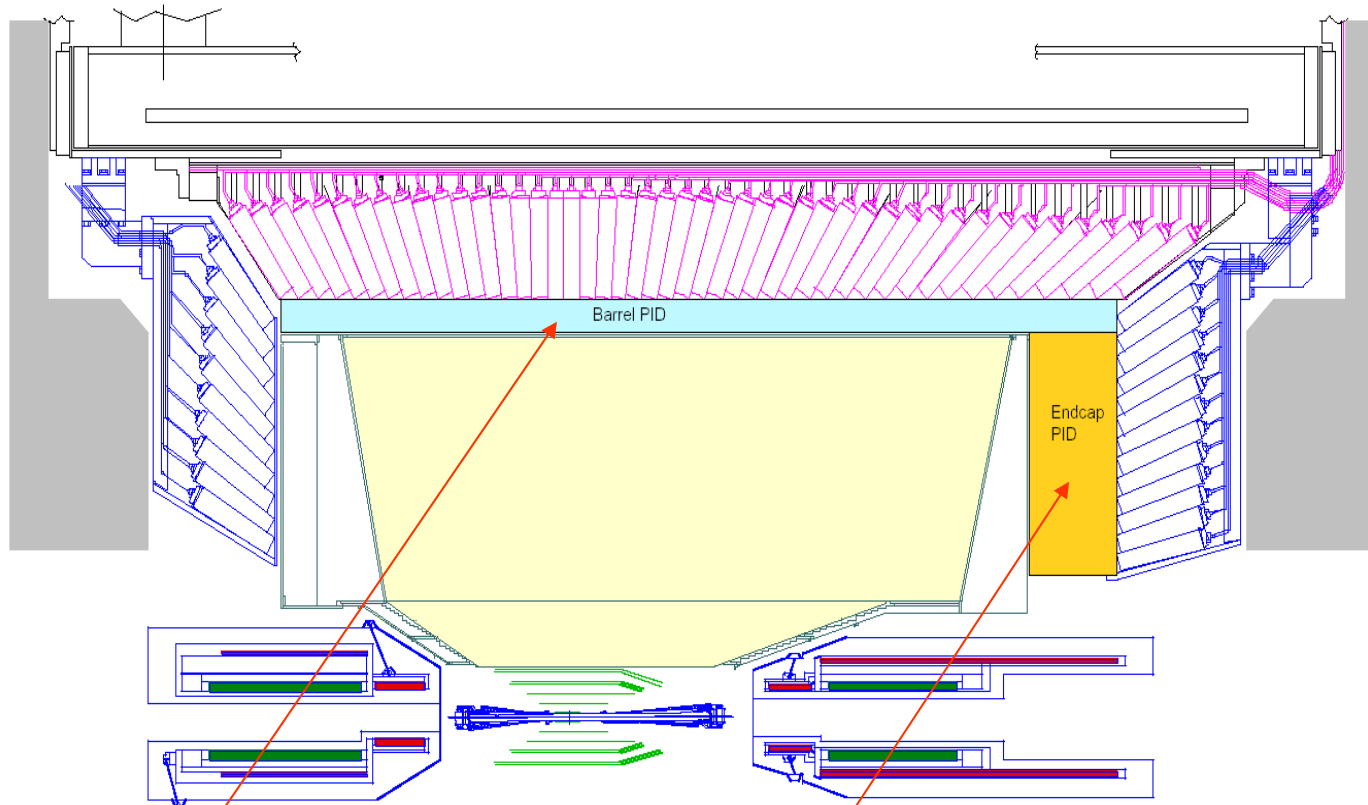
SVD: 4 DSSD lyrs → 2 DEPFET lyrs + 4 DSSD lyrs
 CDC: small cell, long lever arm
 ACC+TOF → TOP+A-RICH
 ECL: waveform sampling, pure CsI for end-caps
 KLM: RPC → Scintillator +SiPM (end-caps)

→ talk by Zdenek Doležal

Peter Krizan, Ljubljana



Belle II PID systems – side view



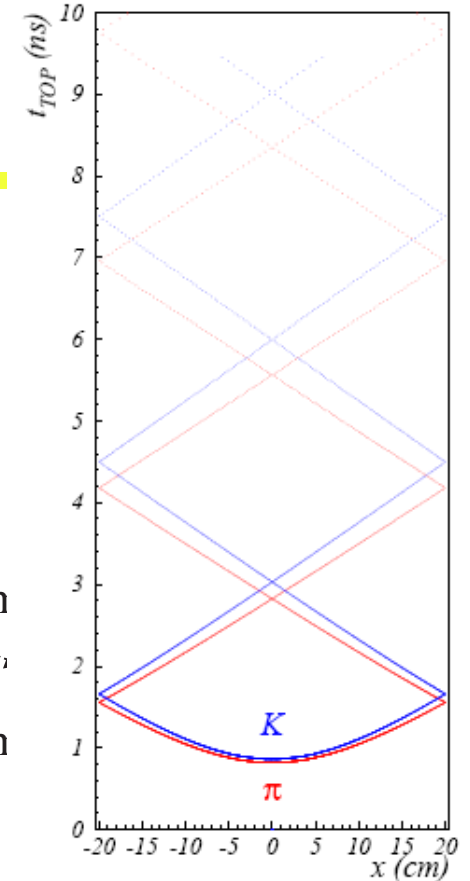
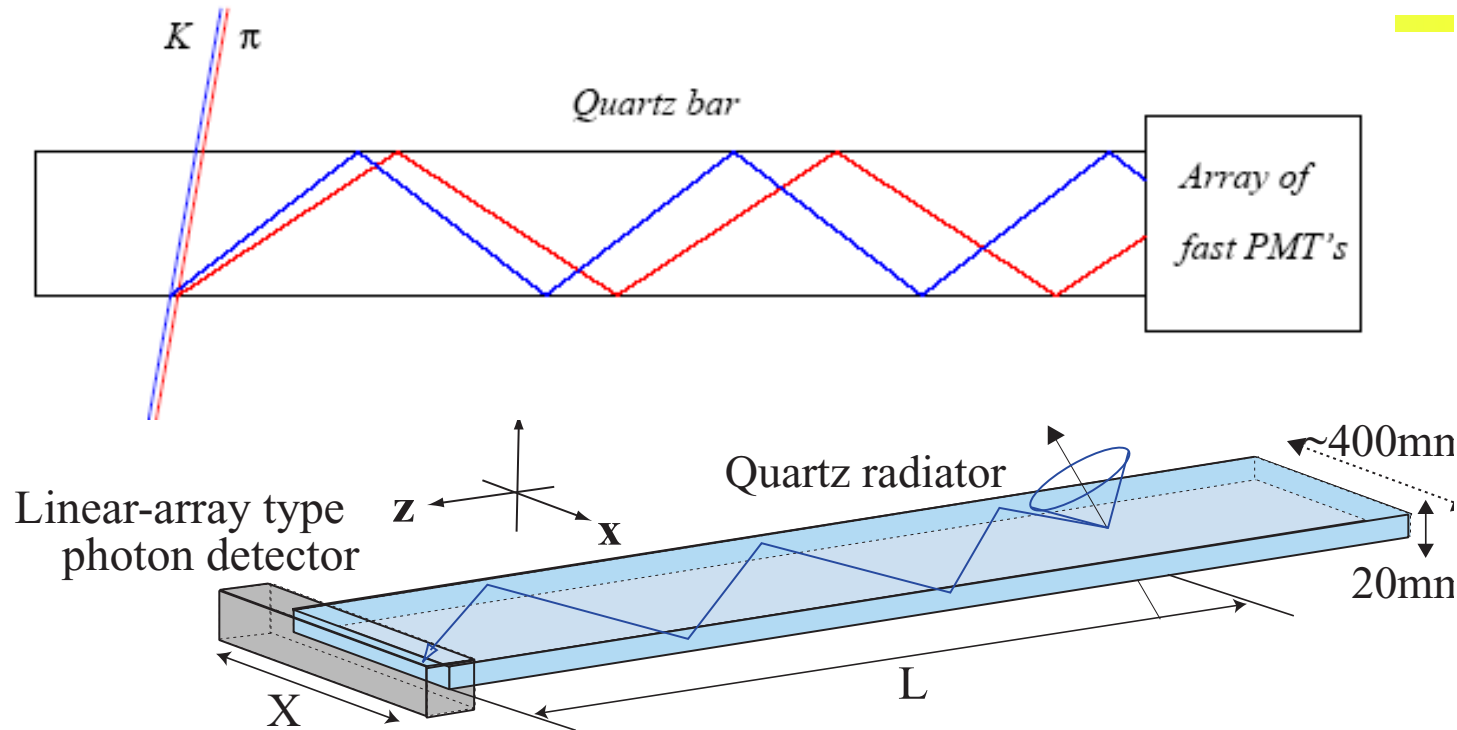
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Endcap: **proximity focusing RICH**

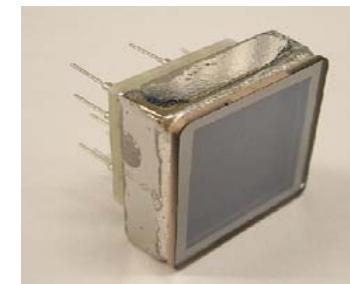


Time-Of-Propagation (TOP) counter



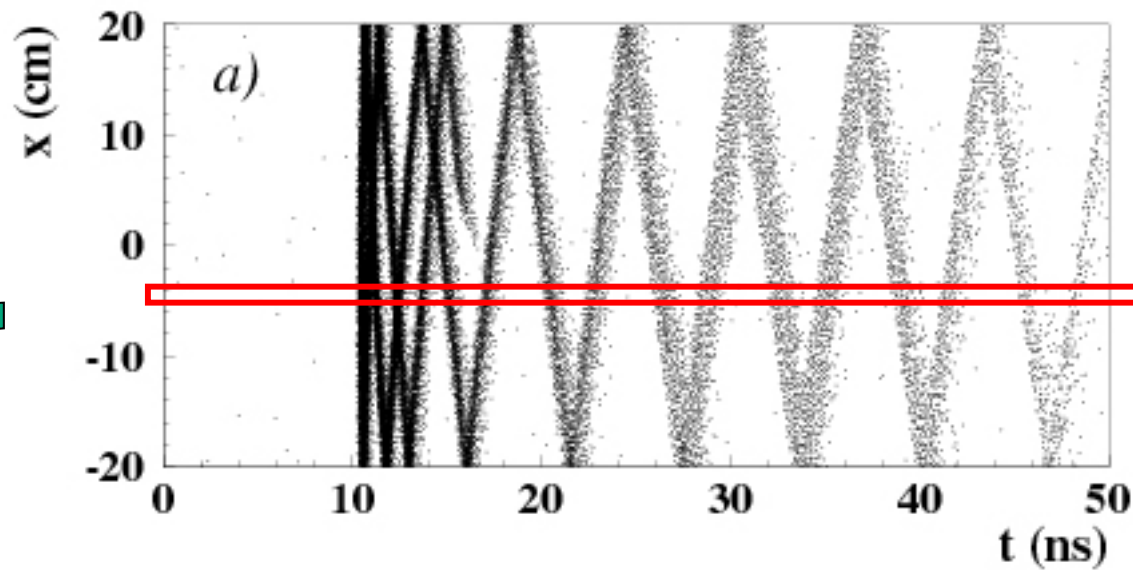
Similar to DIRC, but instead of two coordinates measure:

- One (or two coordinates) with a few mm precision
- Time-of-arrival
- Excellent time resolution $< \sim 40\text{ps}$ required for single photons in 1.5T B field

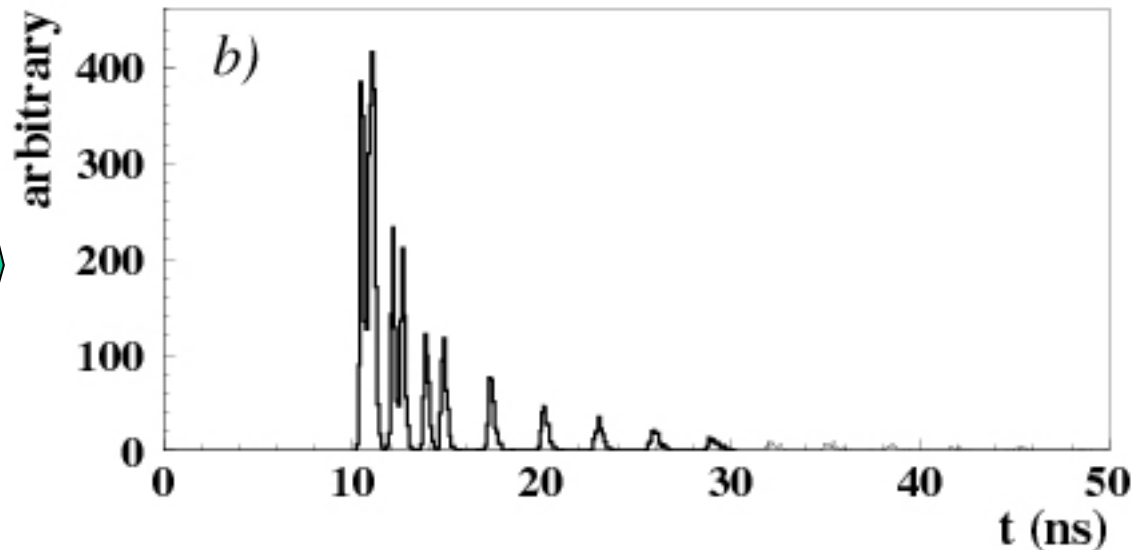


Hamamatsu
SL10 MCP-PMT

TOP image

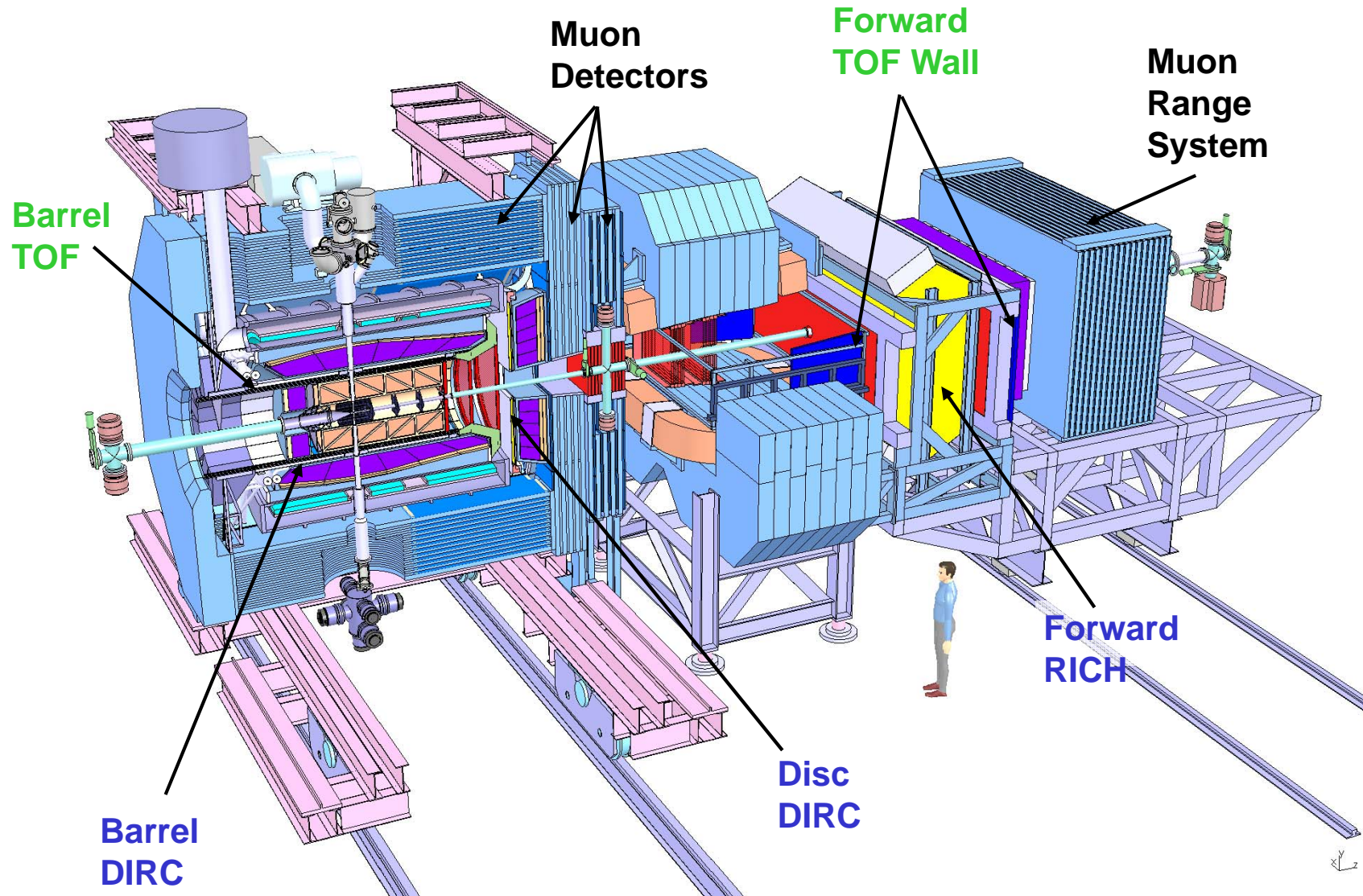


Pattern in the coordinate-time space ('ring') of a pion hitting a quartz bar with ~ 80 MAPMT channels

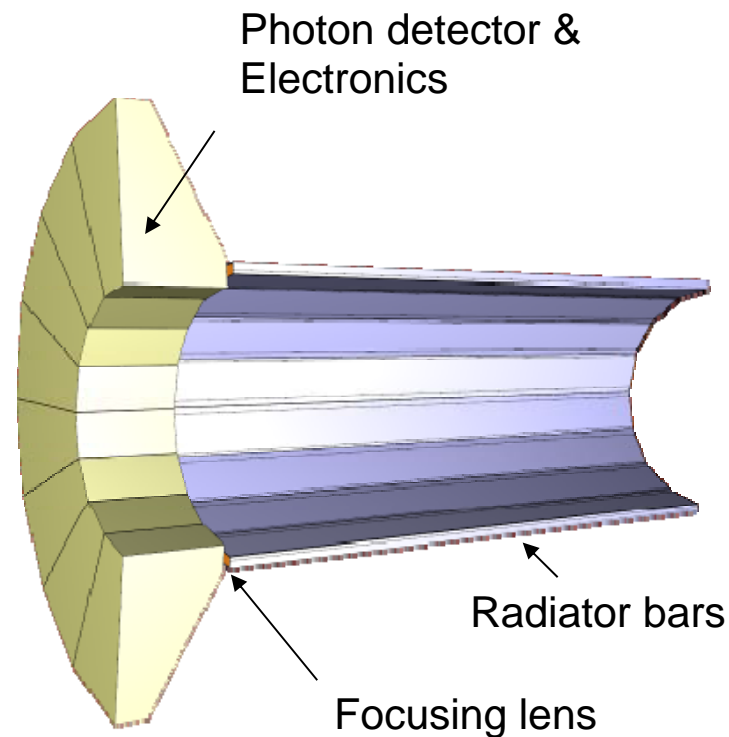


Time distribution of signals recorded by one of the PMT channels: different for π and K

PID for PANDA



- Similar to BaBar DIRC
- π/K separation $0.5 < p < 4$ GeV/c
- Inner radius: 48 cm
- Radiator: 96 bars, fused silica ($n=1.47$), size: 17mm (T) x 33mm(W) x 2500mm (L)
- Compact photon detector: array of MCP-PMT (Burle Planacon) in magnetic field 0.5 -1 T
total 7000-10000 channels
- Time of propagation \rightarrow dispersion corrections (3D-DIRC concept – x, y, t)
- Focusing optics



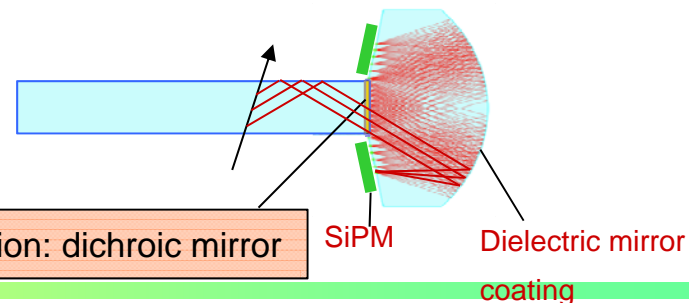
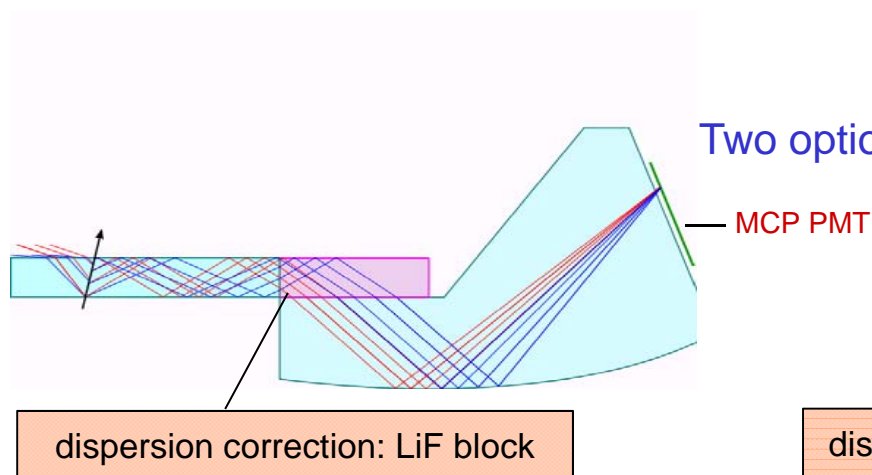
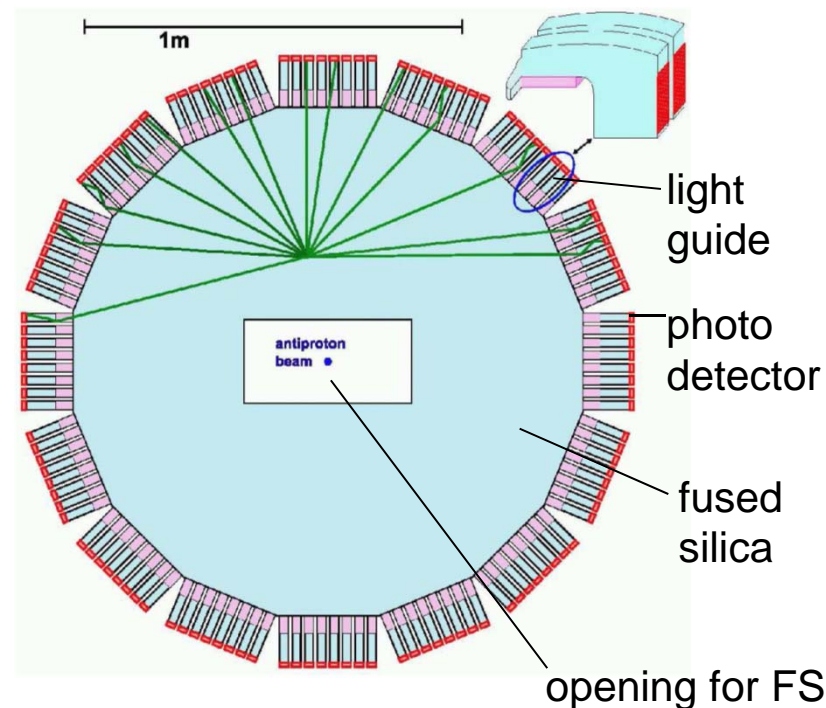
Disc DIRC

Radiator: fused silica 20 mm thick,
 $R=1\text{m}$

π/K separation up to 4 GeV/c

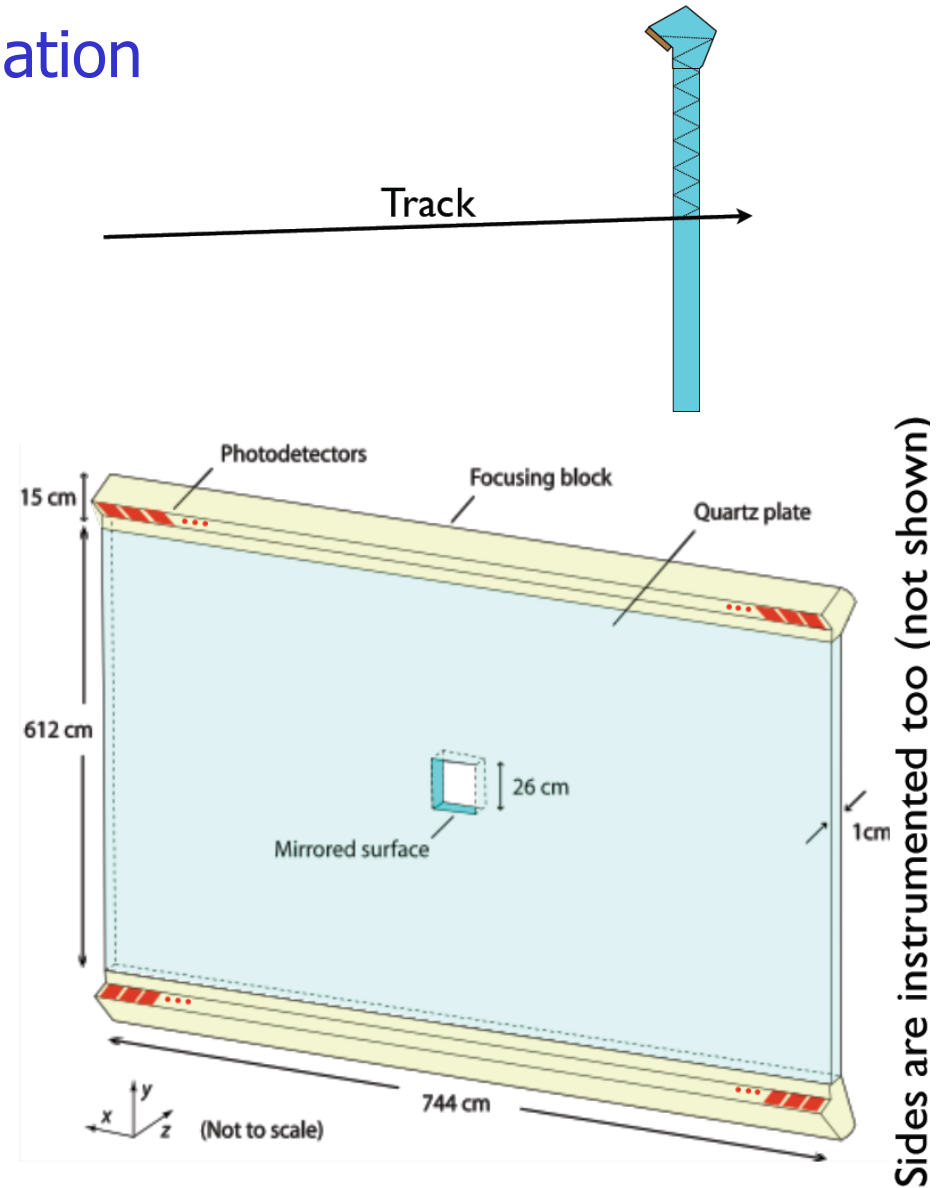
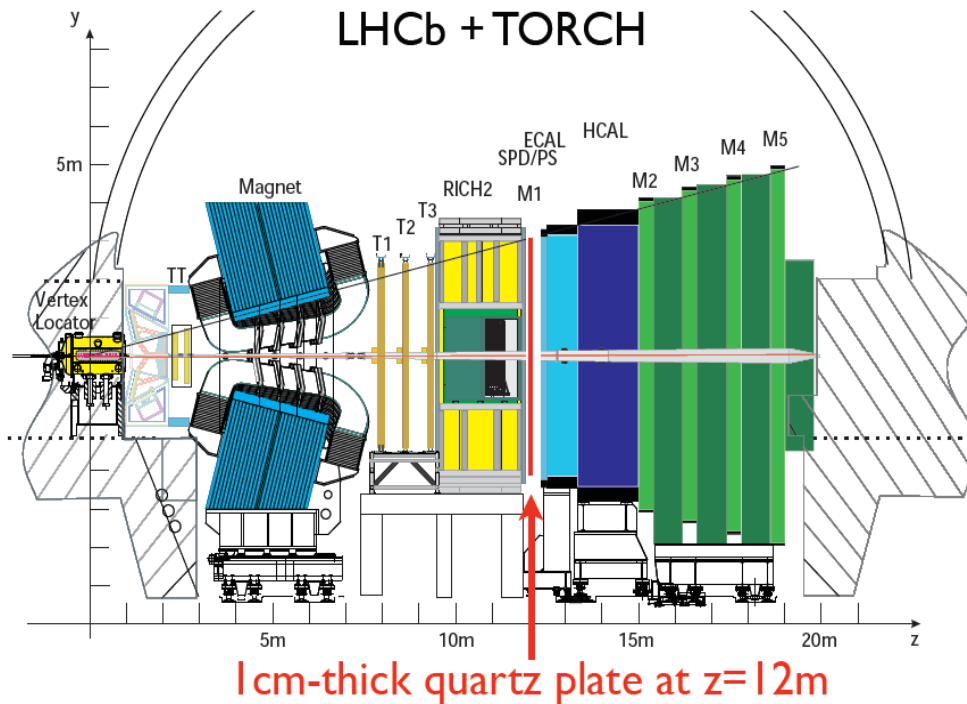
Focusing light guide

Photon detector in $\sim 1\text{T}$ field
 capable of rates 0.75 MHz/cm^2
 (MCP-PMTs or dSiPMs)

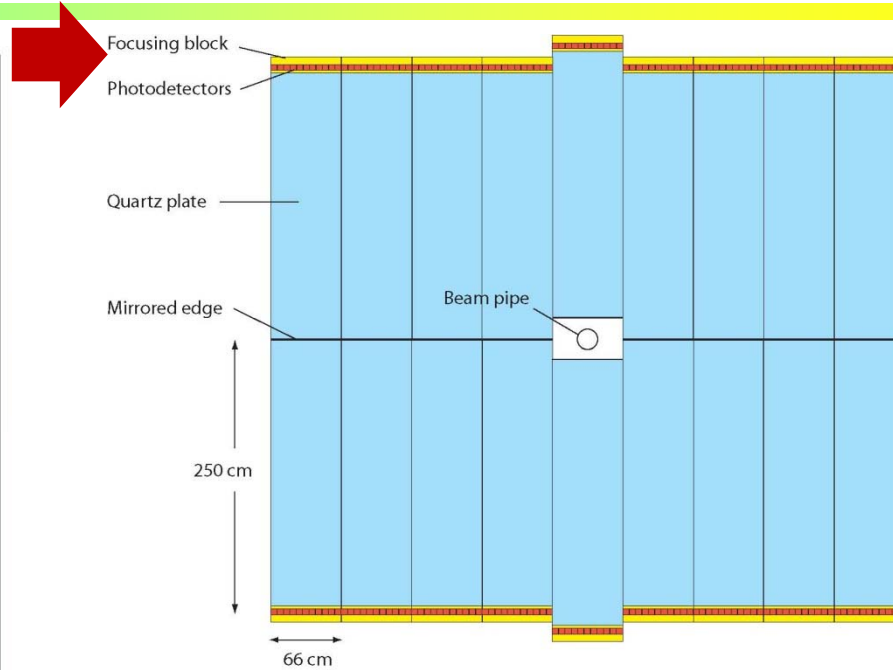
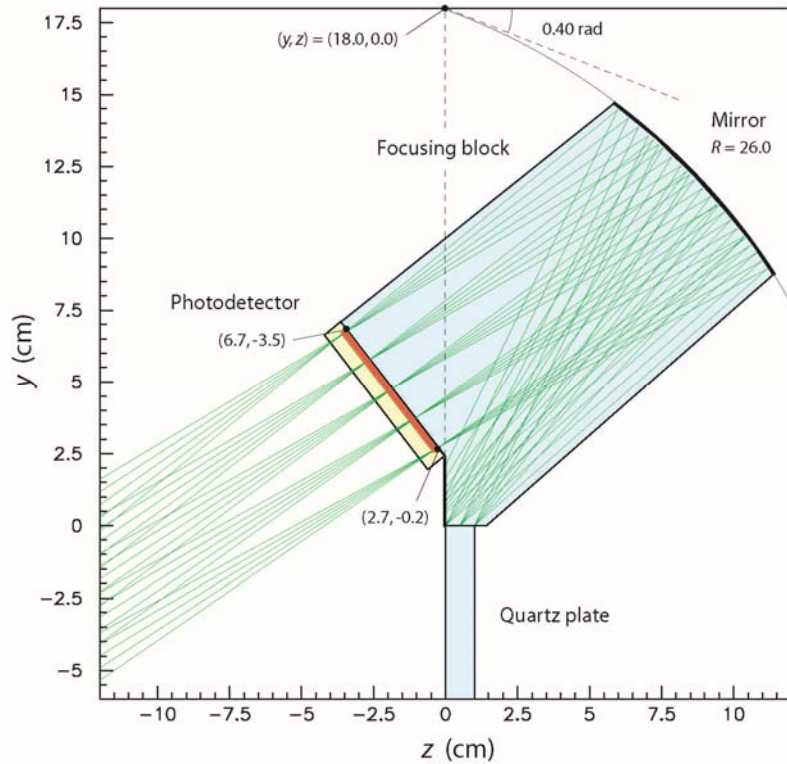


LHCb PID upgrade: TORCH

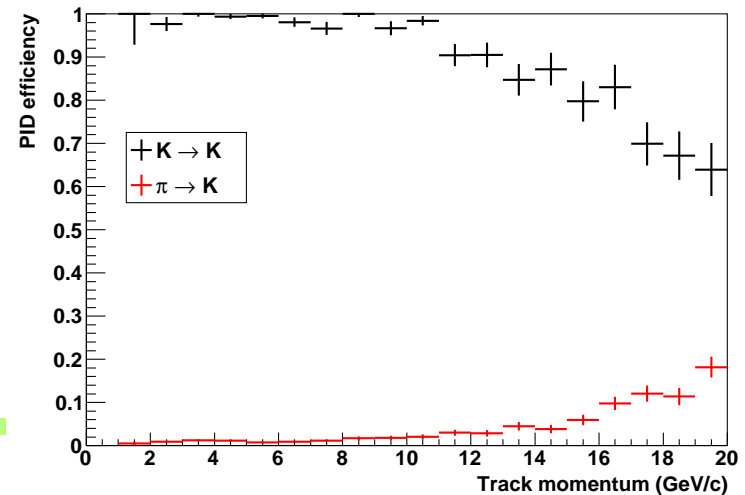
A special type of Time-of-Propagation counter for the LHCb upgrade



LHCb PID upgrade: TORCH

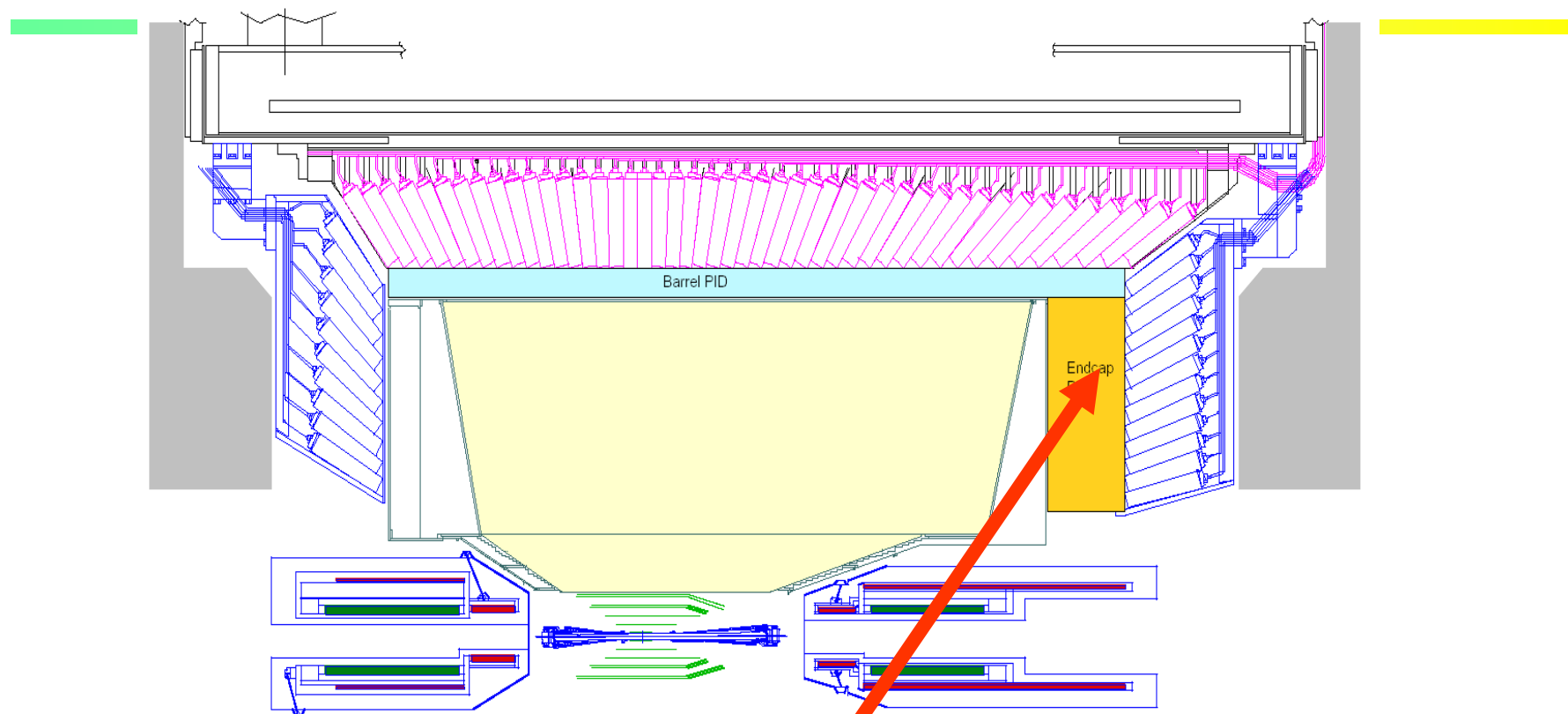


Expected performance with Photonis
Planacon MCP PMTs





Belle II PID system



Two new particle ID devices, both RICHes:

Barrel: Time-of-propagation counter (TOP) counter

Endcap: proximity focusing RICH

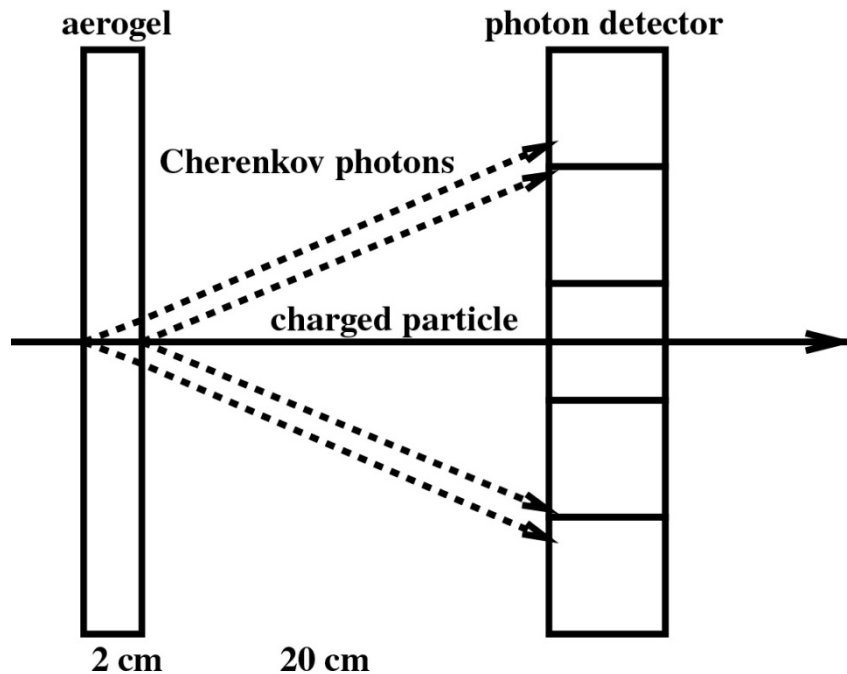


Endcap: Proximity focusing RICH

K/ π separation at 4 GeV/c:

$$\theta_c(\pi) \sim 308 \text{ mrad} \quad (n = 1.05)$$

$$\theta_c(\pi) - \theta_c(K) \sim 23 \text{ mrad}$$



For single photons: $\delta\theta_c(\text{meas.}) = \sigma_0 \sim 14$ mrad,

typical value for a 20mm thick radiator and 6mm PMT pad size

Per track:

$$\sigma_{\text{track}} = \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}}$$

Separation: $[\theta_c(\pi) - \theta_c(K)] / \sigma_{\text{track}}$

→ 5 σ separation with $N_{pe} \sim 10$

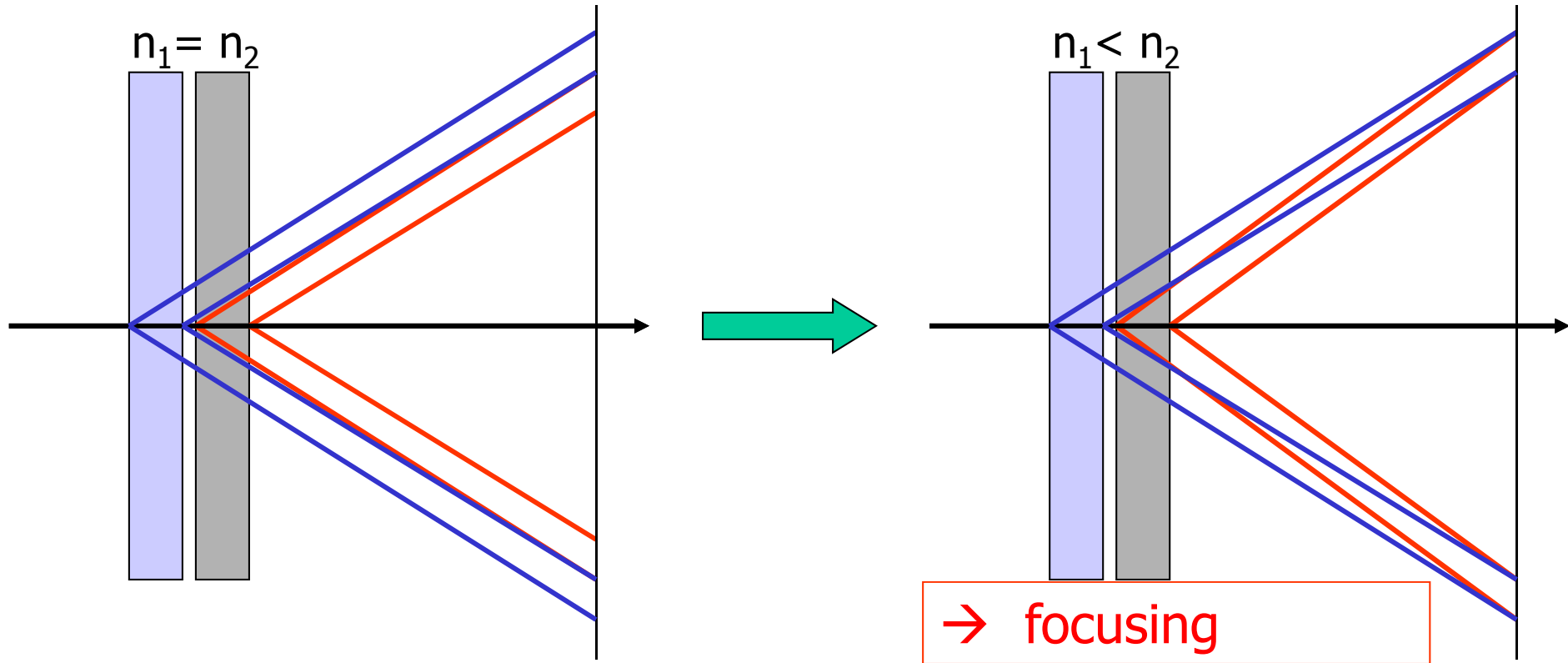


Radiator with multiple refractive indices

How to increase the number of photons without degrading the resolution?

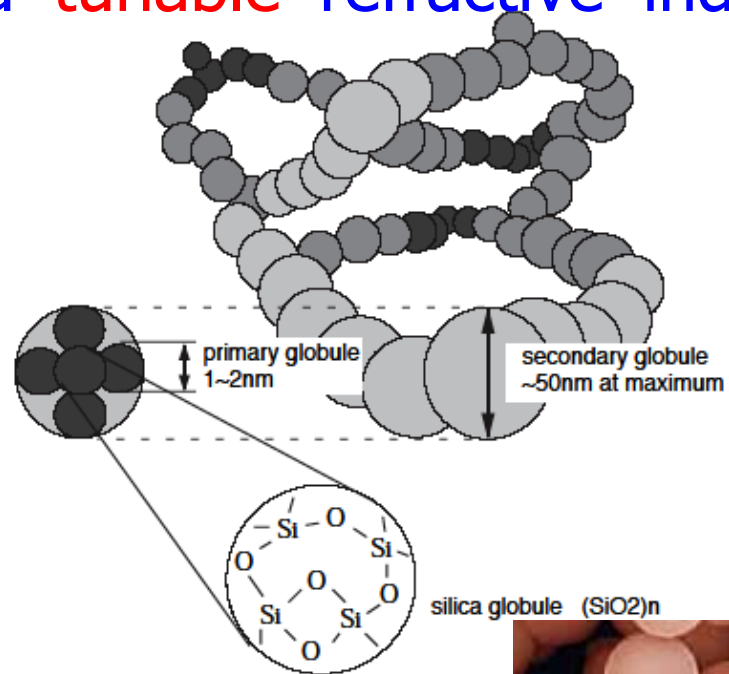
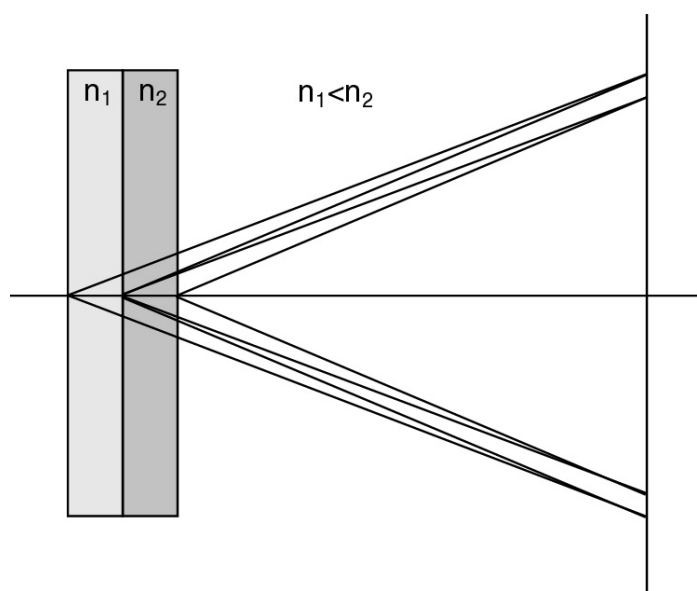
→ stack two tiles with different refractive indices: “focusing” configuration

normal



Radiator with multiple refractive indices 2

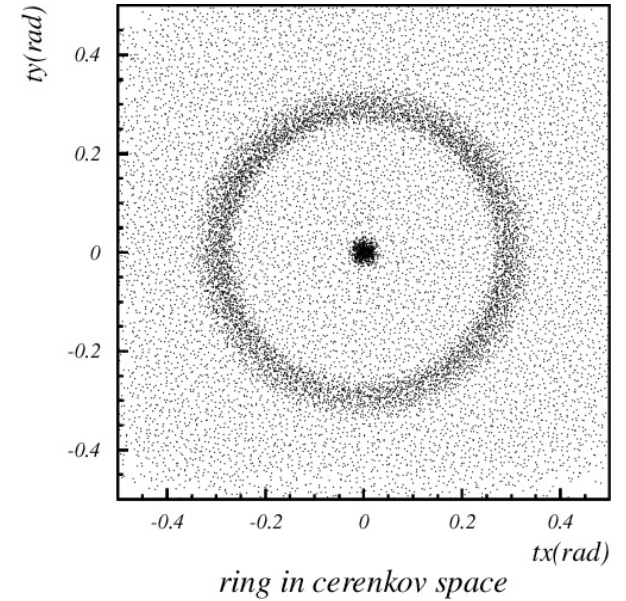
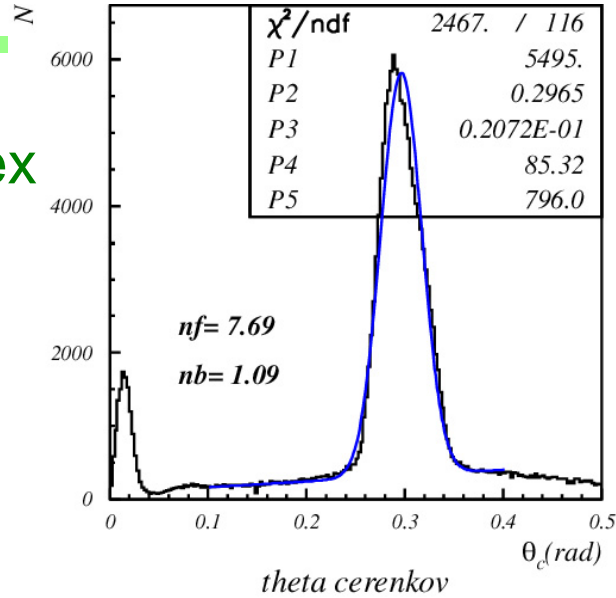
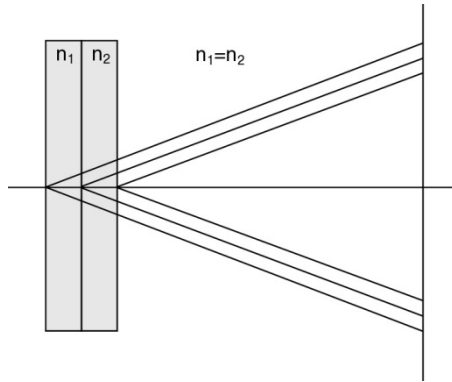
Such a configuration is only possible with aerogel (a form of Si_xO_y) – material with a **tunable** refractive index between **1.01** and **1.07**.



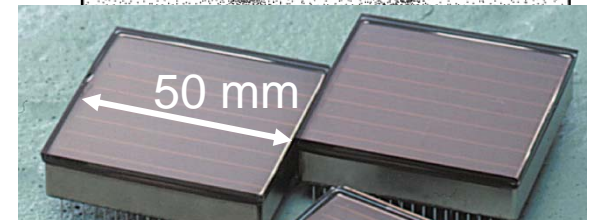
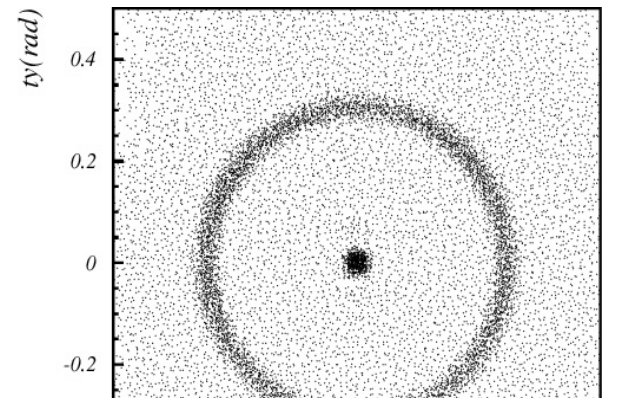
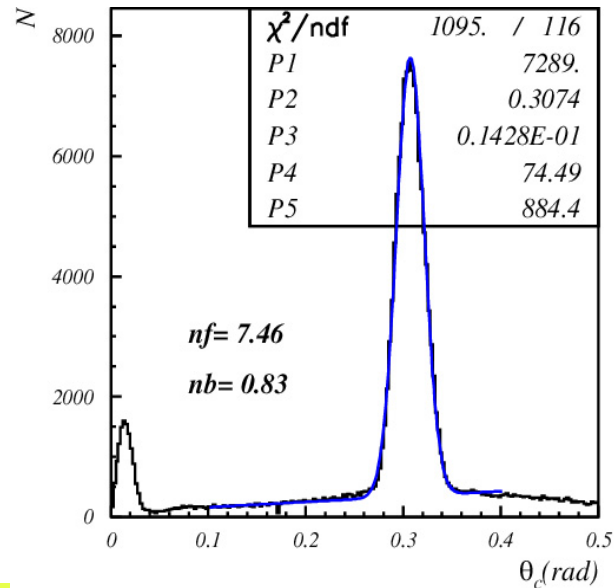
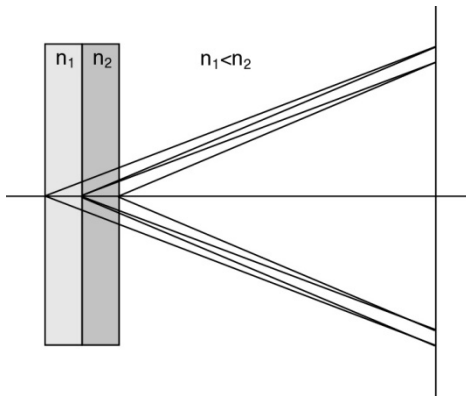


Focusing configuration – data

4cm aerogel single index



2+2cm aerogel



4x4 array of flat panel MAPMTs

→ NIM A548 (2005) 383, NIMA 565 (2006) 457

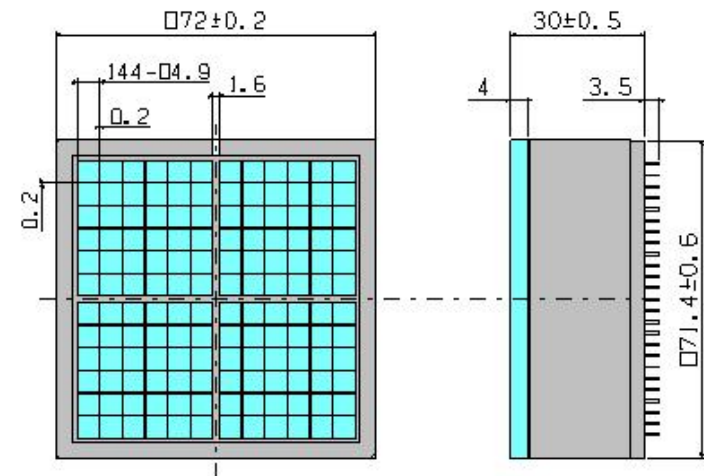
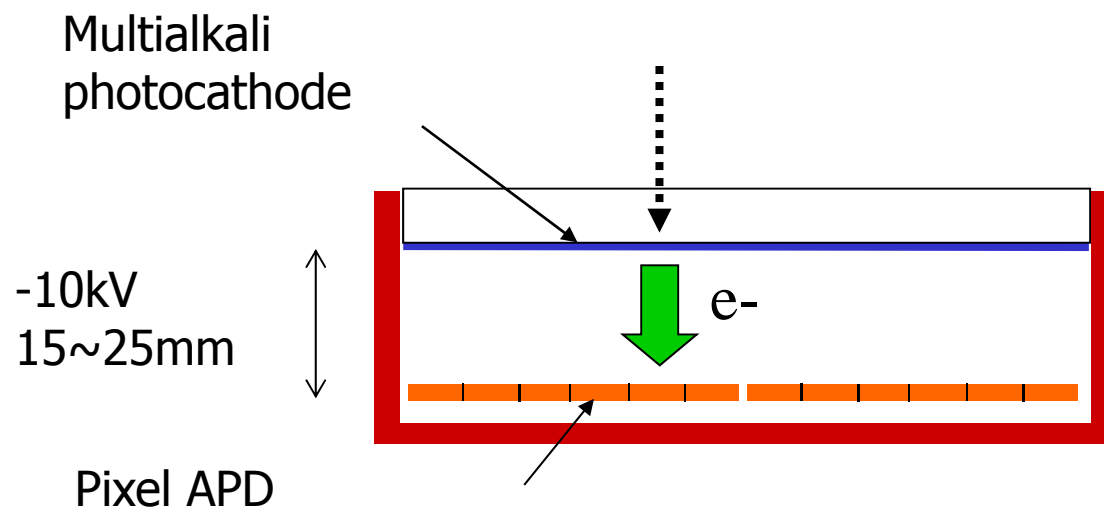


Photon detectors for the aerogel RICH requirements and candidates

Need: Operation in a high magnetic field (1.5 T)
Pad size $\sim 5\text{-}6\text{mm}$

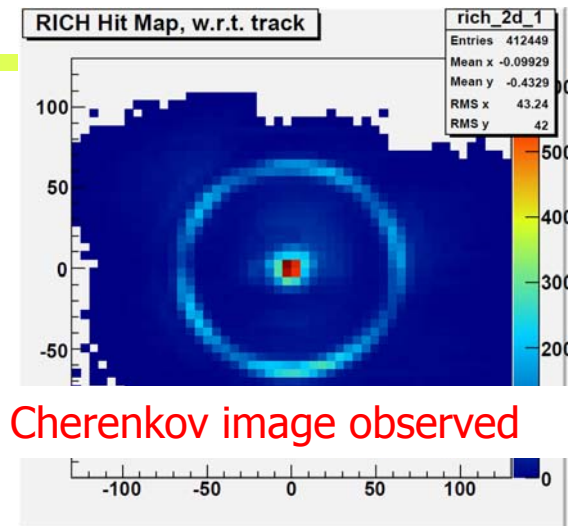
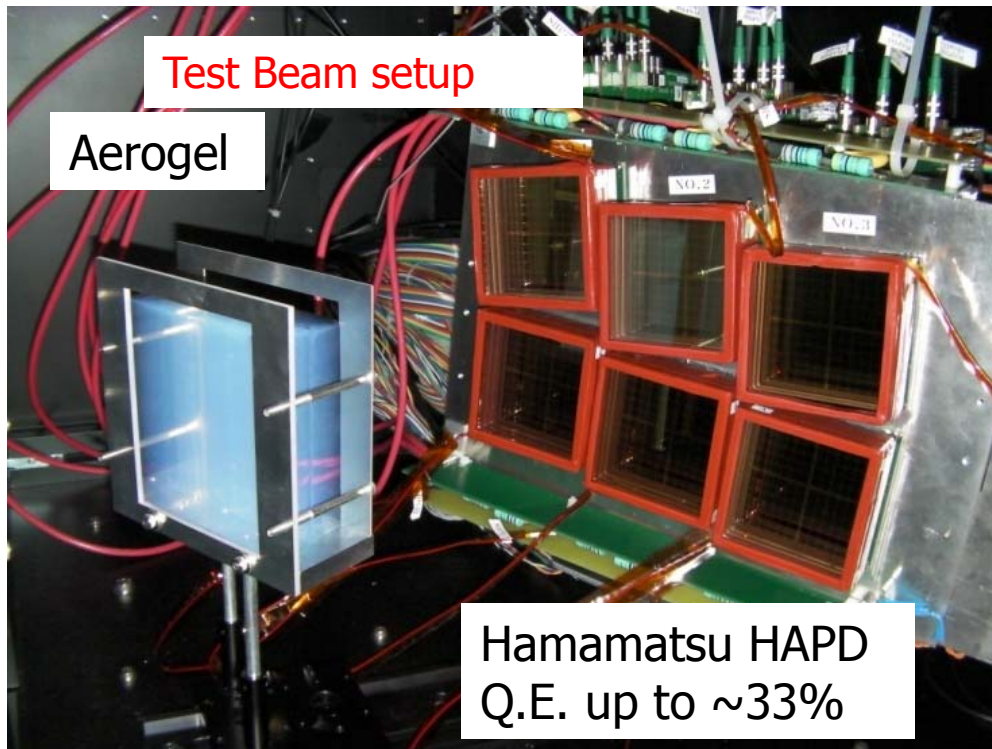
Final choice: large active area HAPD of the proximity focusing type

Candidates: MCP PMT (Photonis/Burle 85011, SiPMs)



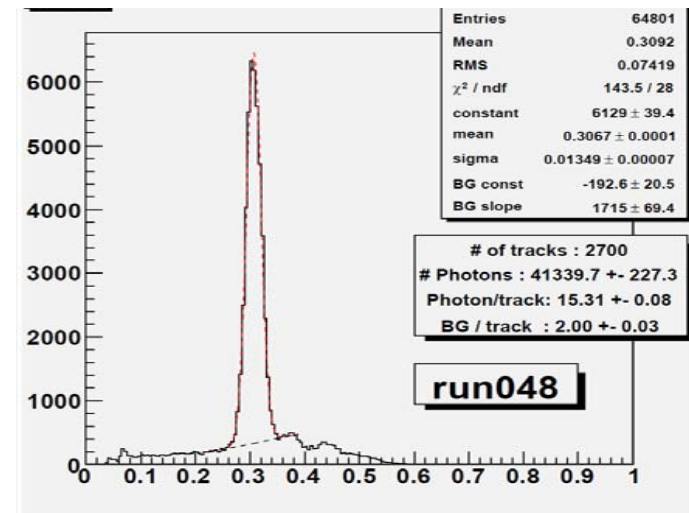
HAPD R&D project in collaboration with HPK.

HAPD as the Aerogel RICH photon detector



Clear Cherenkov image observed

Cherenkov angle distribution



6.6 σ p/K at 4GeV/c !

→ NIM A595 (2008) 180

SiPMs as photon detectors?

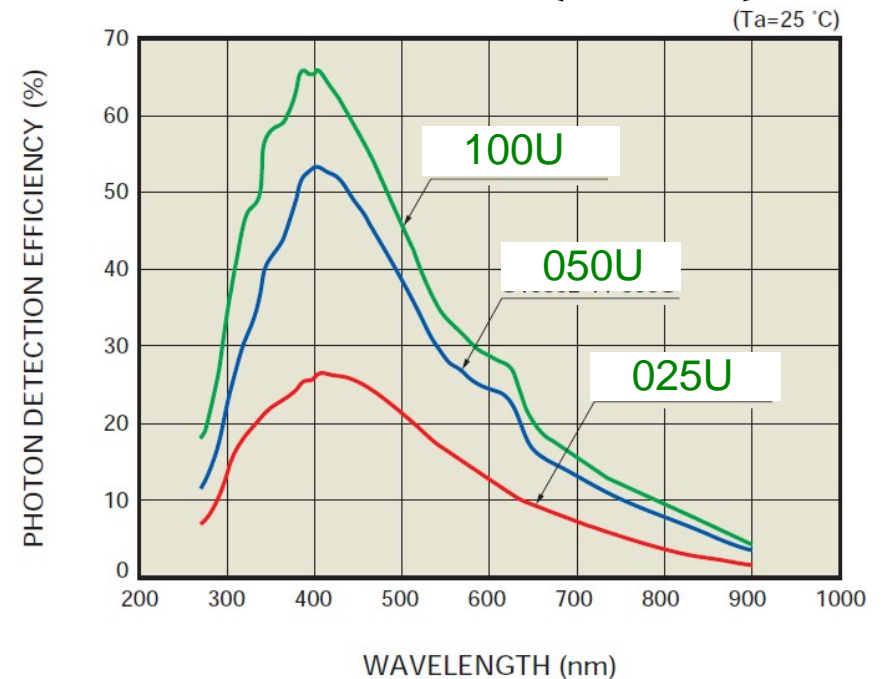
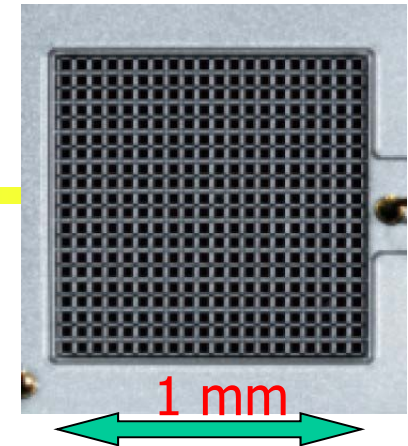
SiPM is an array of APDs operating in Geiger mode. Characteristics:

- low operation voltage $\sim 10\text{-}100\text{ V}$
- gain $\sim 10^6$
- peak PDE up to 65%(@400nm)
 $\text{PDE} = \text{QE} \times \epsilon_{\text{geiger}} \times \epsilon_{\text{geo}}$ (up to 5x PMT!)
- ϵ_{geo} – dead space between the cells
- time resolution $\sim 100\text{ ps}$
- works in high magnetic field
- dark counts \sim few 100 kHz/mm²
- radiation damage (p,n)

→ Talk by C. Joram

Not trivial to use in a RICH where we have to detect single photons!

Dark counts have single photon pulse heights (rate 0.1-1 MHz)

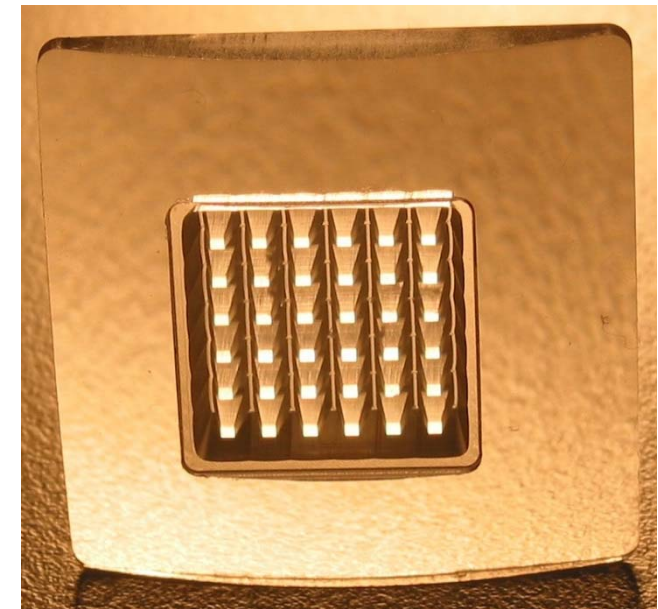
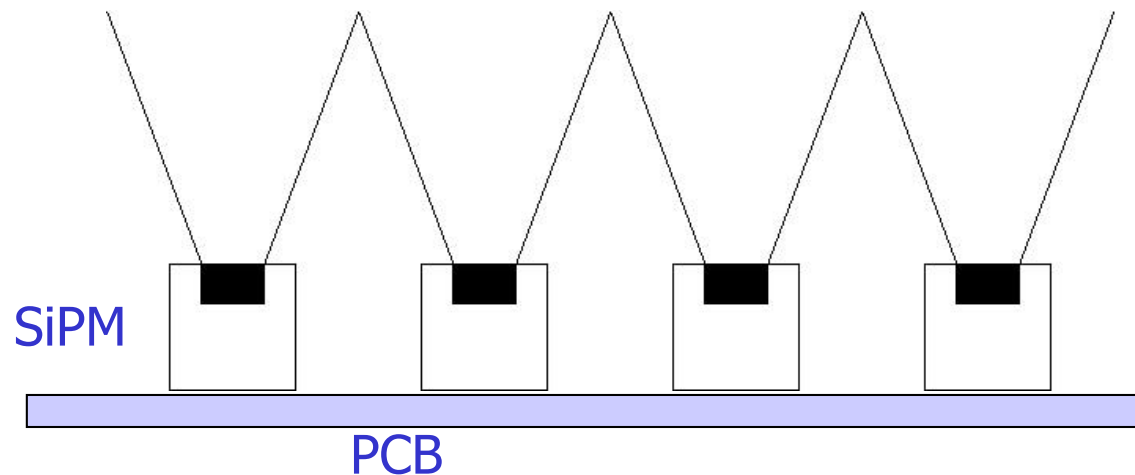


SiPM as photosensor for a RICH counter

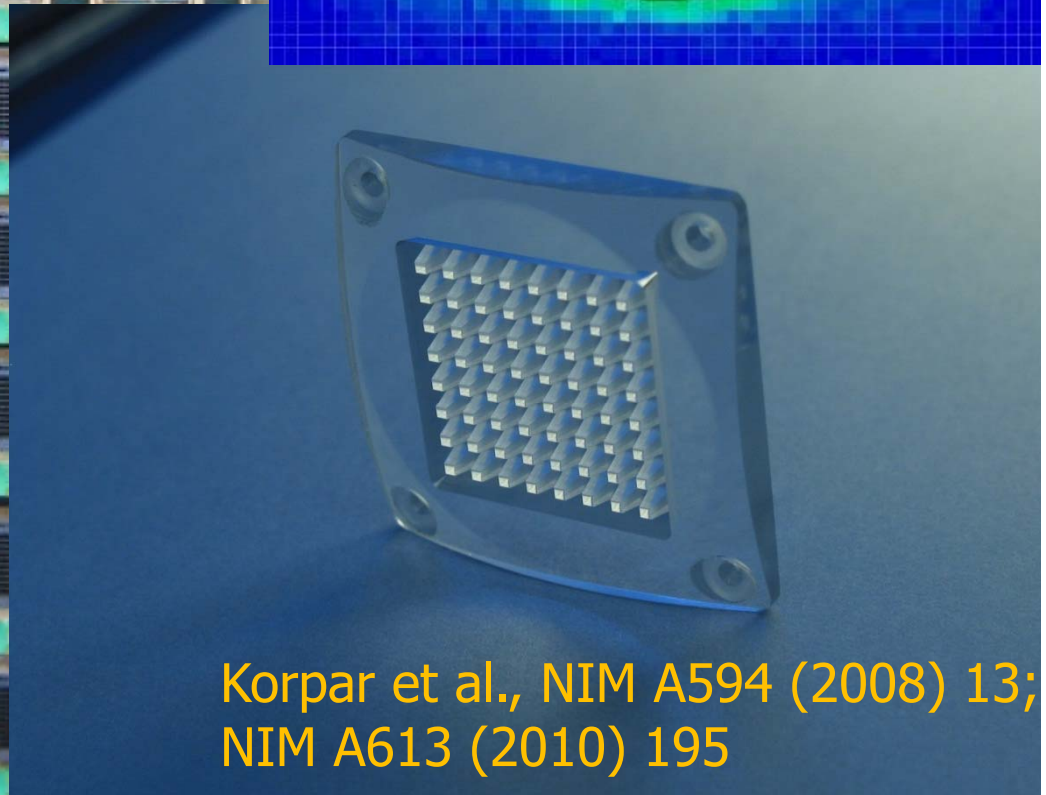
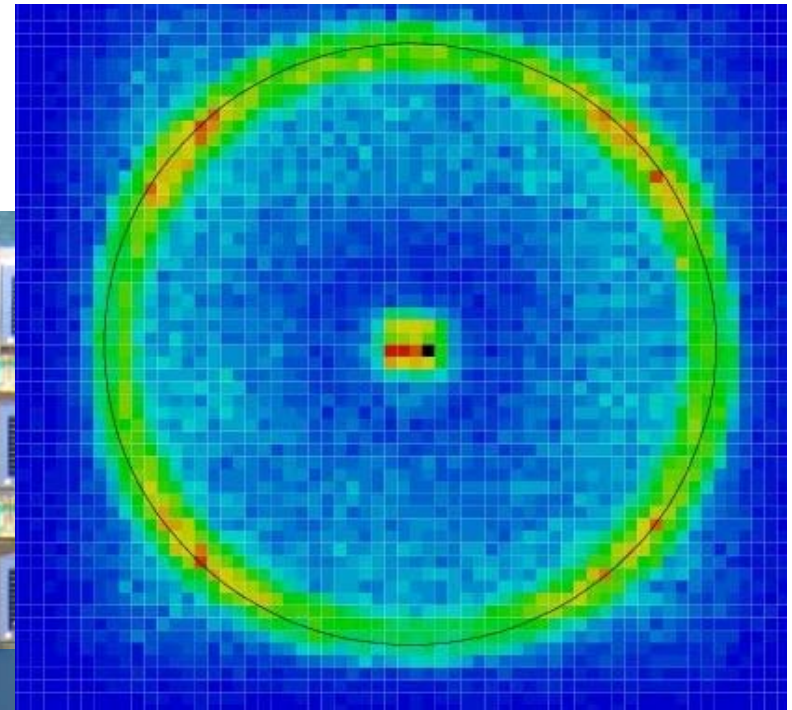
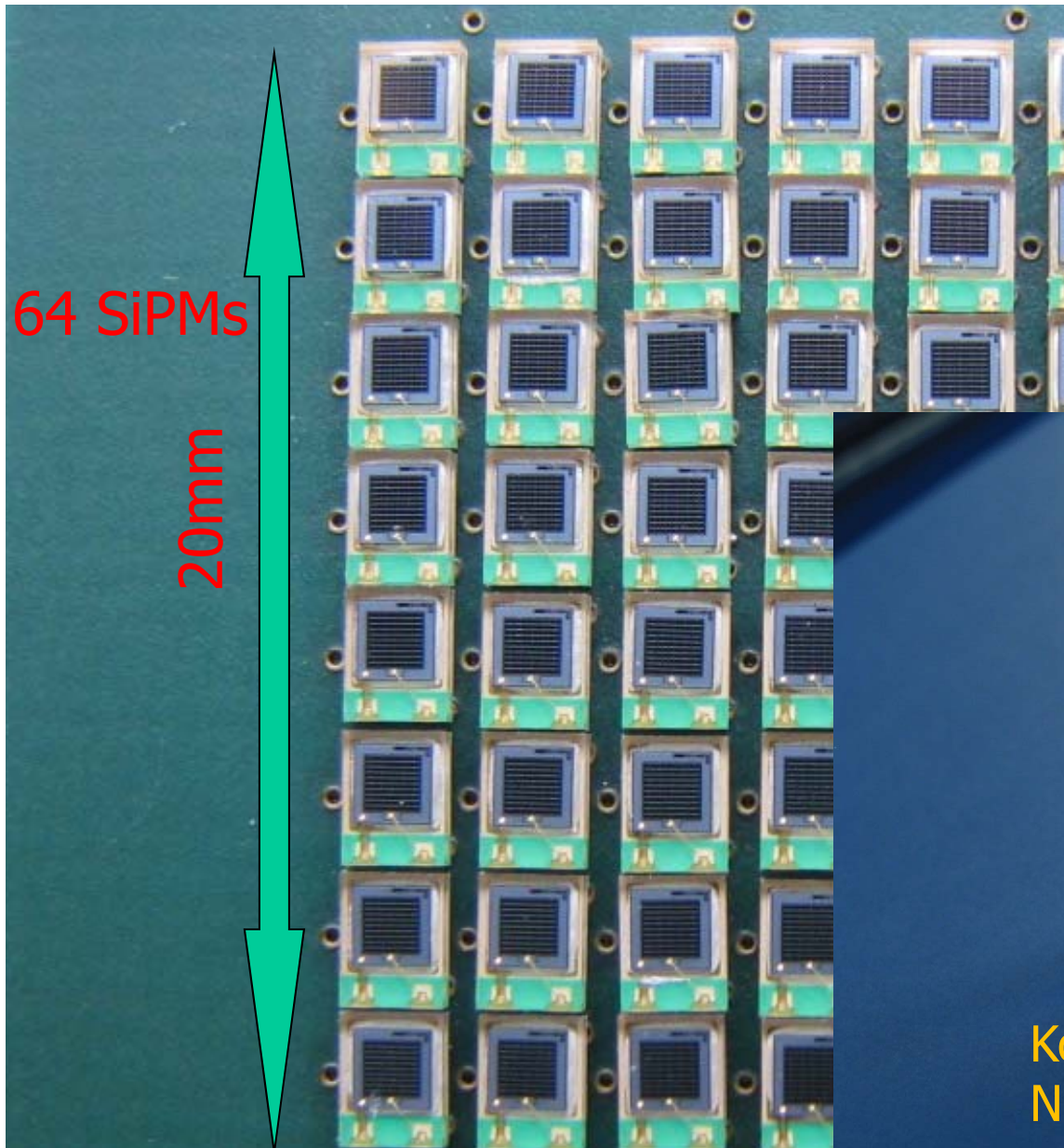
Improve the signal to noise ratio:

- Reduce the noise by a narrow ($<10\text{ns}$) time window (Cherenkov light is prompt!)
- Increase the number of signal hits per single sensor by using light collectors

E.g. light collector with reflective walls or plastic light guide



Photon detector with SiPMs and light guides

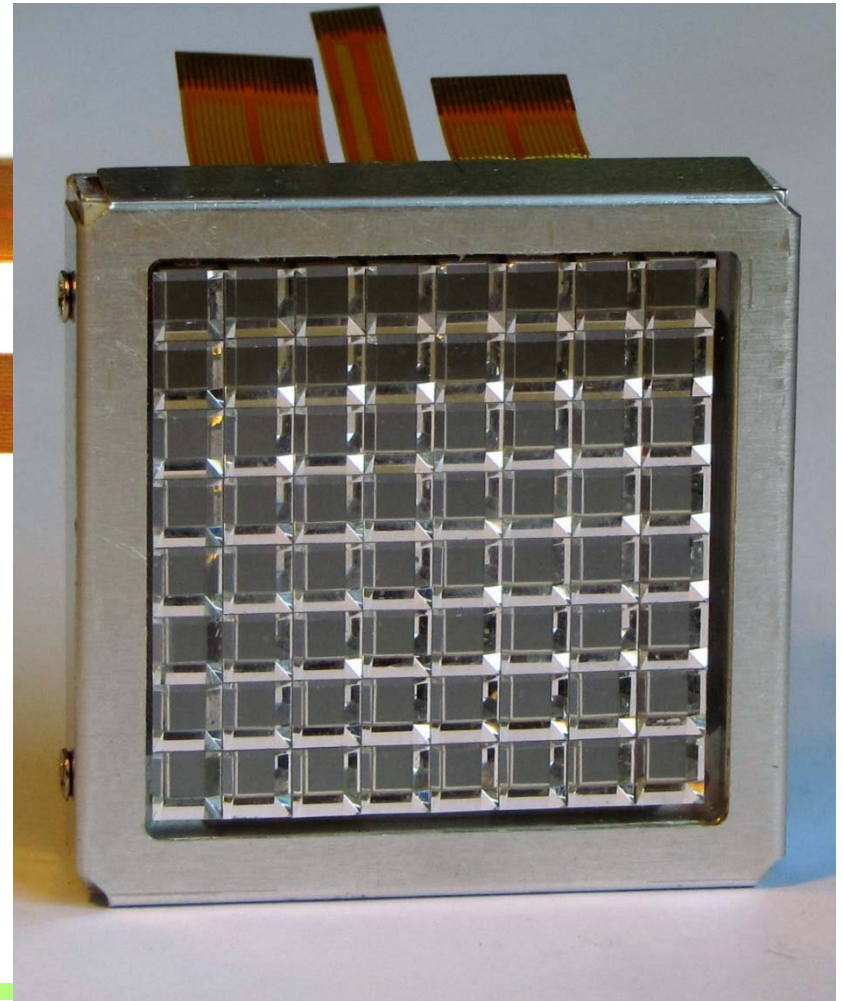
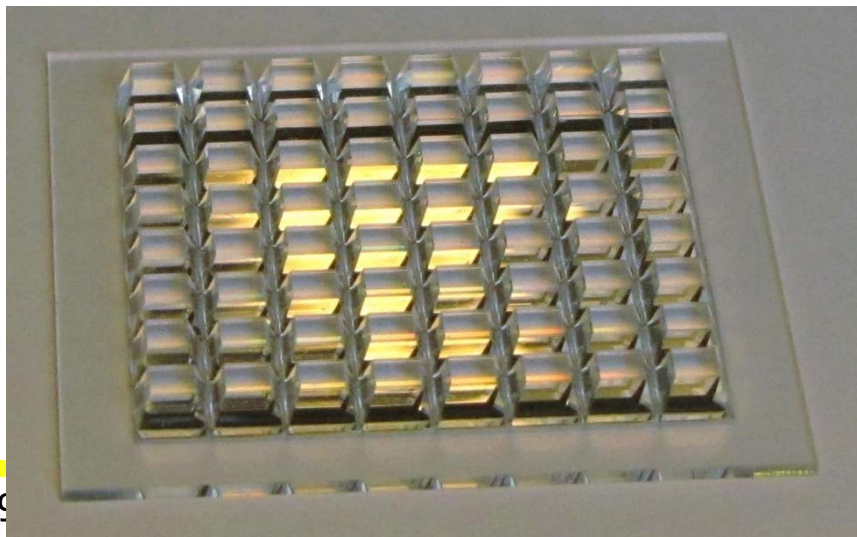
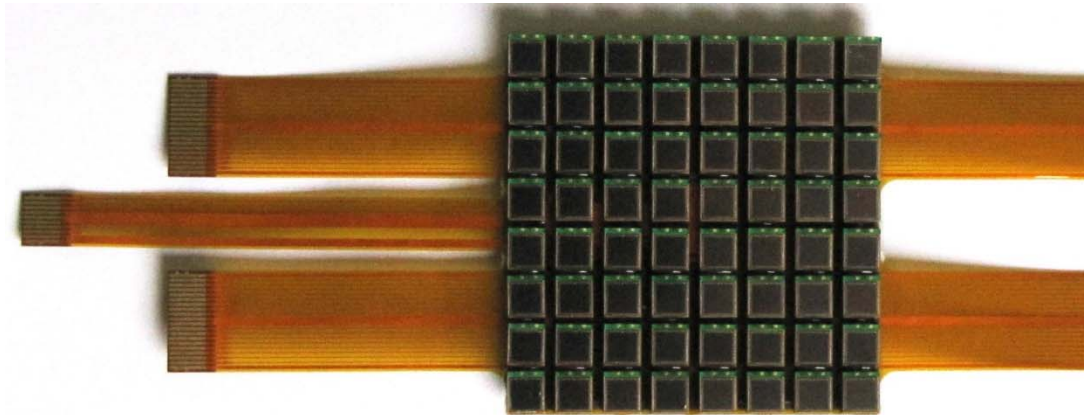


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Next step: use arrays of SiPMs

Example: Hamamatsu MPPC S11834-3388DF

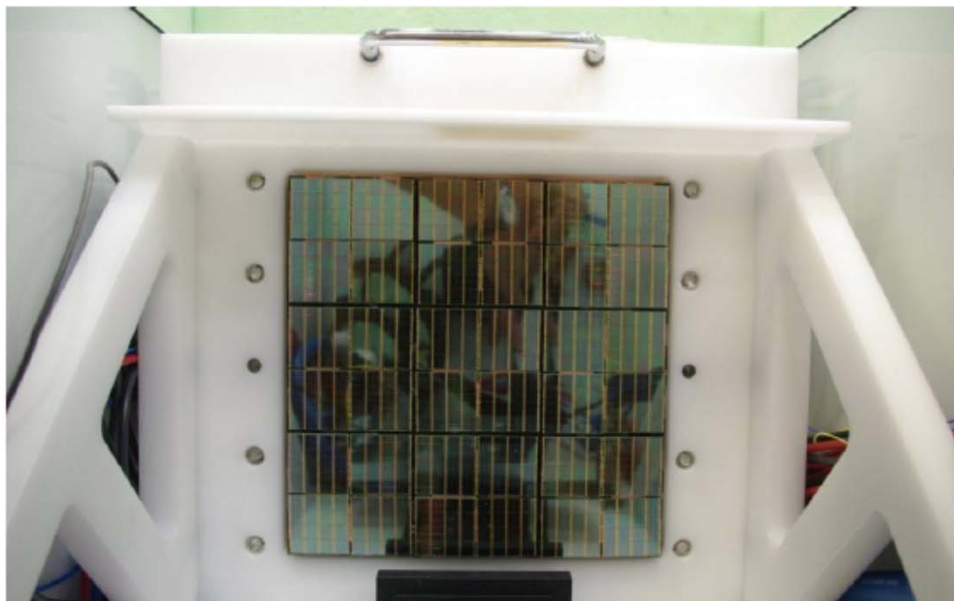
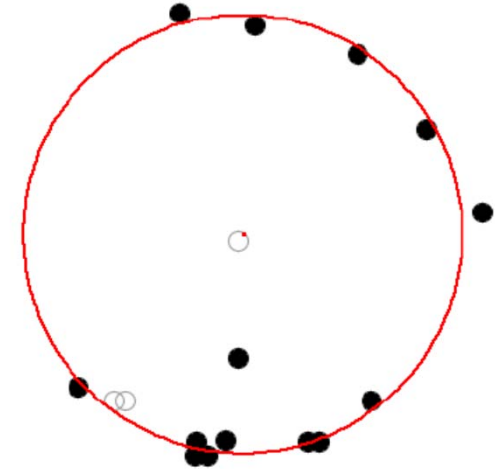
- 8x8 SiPM array, with 5x5 mm² SiPM channels
- Active area 3x3 mm²



Digital SiPM

Digital SiPM (Philips): instead of an analog sum of signals from all cells of a single SiPM, use on board lectrons for a digital sum + time stamp

→ Lectures by C. Joram



Square matrix **20x20 cm²**

- Sensors: DPC3200-22-44
- 3x3 modules = 6x6 tiles = 24x24 dies = 48x48 pixels in total
- 576 time channels
- 2304 amplitude (position) channels
- 4 levels of FPGA readout: tiles, modules, bus boards, test board

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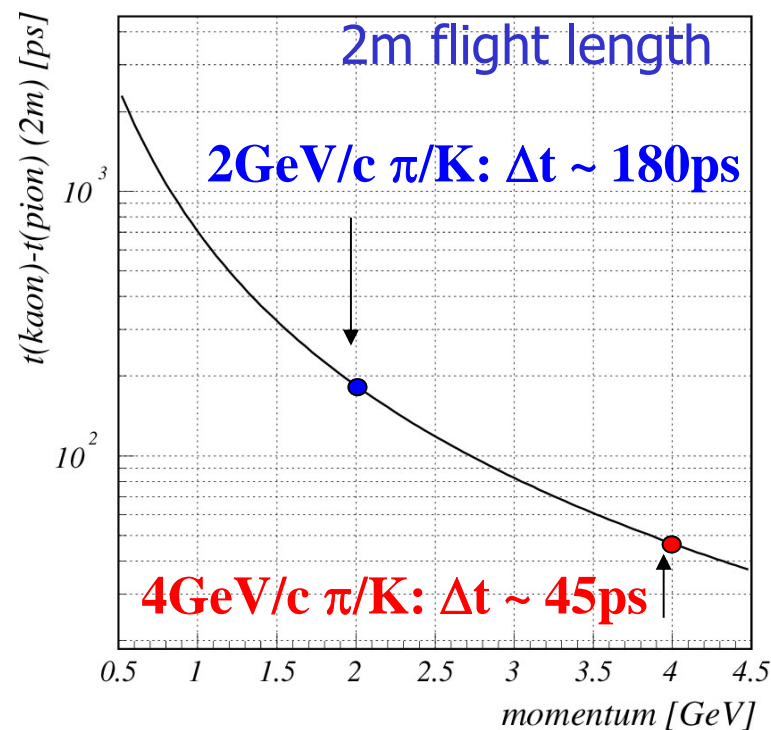
Time-of-Flight (TOF) counters

Measure velocity by measuring the time between
-- the interaction and
-- the passing of the particle through the TOF counter.

Traditionally: plastic scintillator + PMTs

Typical resolution: ~ 100 ps $\rightarrow \pi/K$ separation up to ~ 1 GeV.

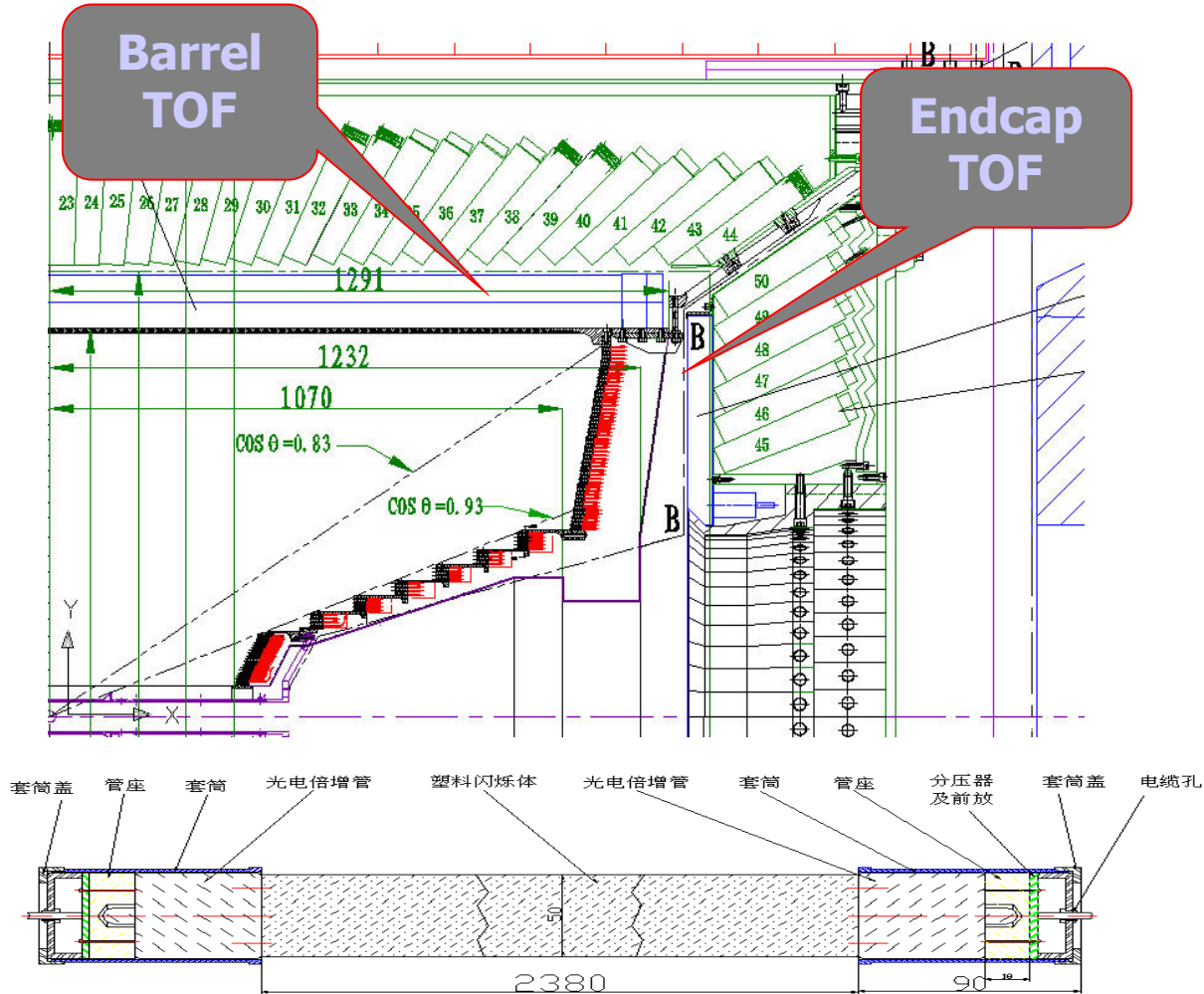
Time difference between π and K:



\rightarrow BESSIII

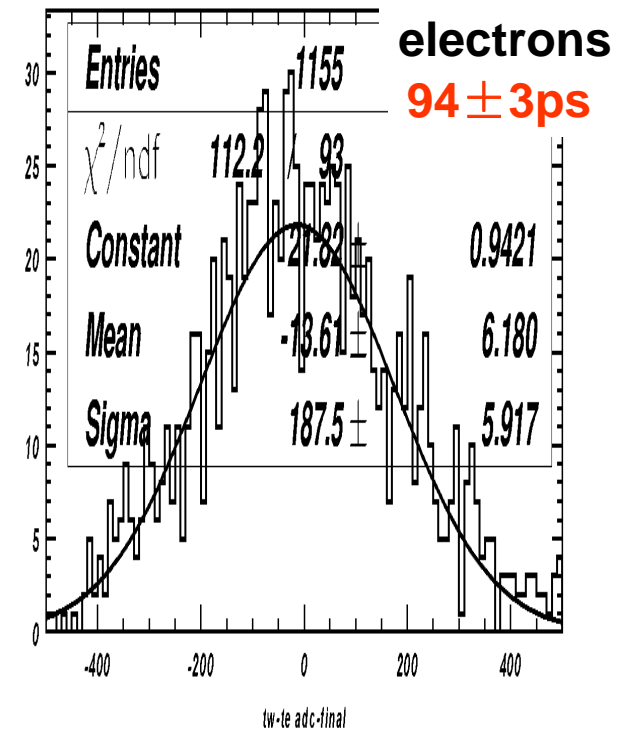


BESIII: Time-Of-Flight counters



TOF module: high quality plastic scintillator: 2.4 m long, 5cm thick, two PMTs with preamplifiers

**Beam test results:
two TOF modules**



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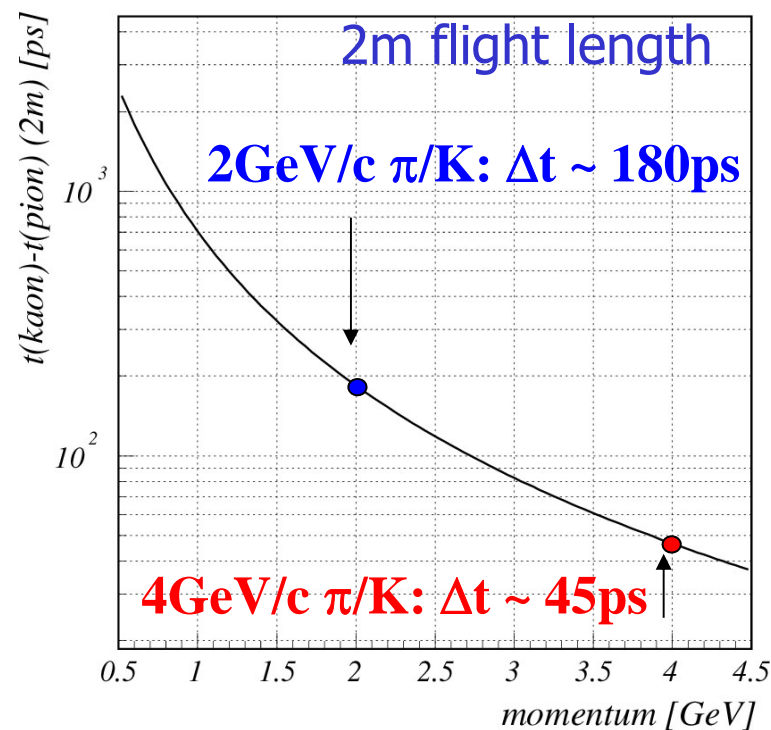
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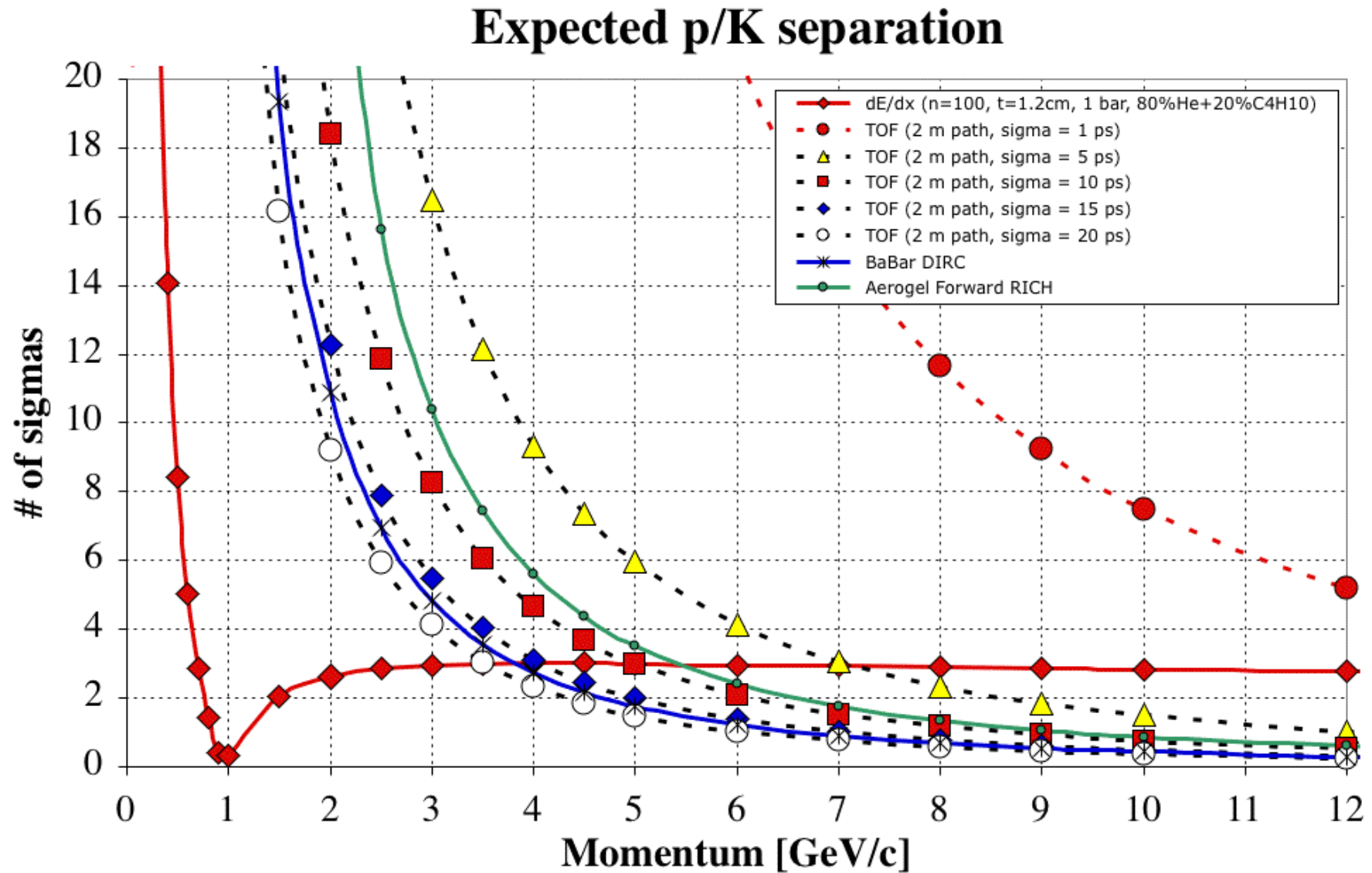
To go beyond that: need faster detectors:
 \rightarrow use Cherenkov light (prompt) instead of scintillations
 \rightarrow use a fast gas detector (Multi gap RPC)

However: make sure you also know the interaction time very precisely...

Time difference between π and K:



Time-of-flight with fast photon detectors



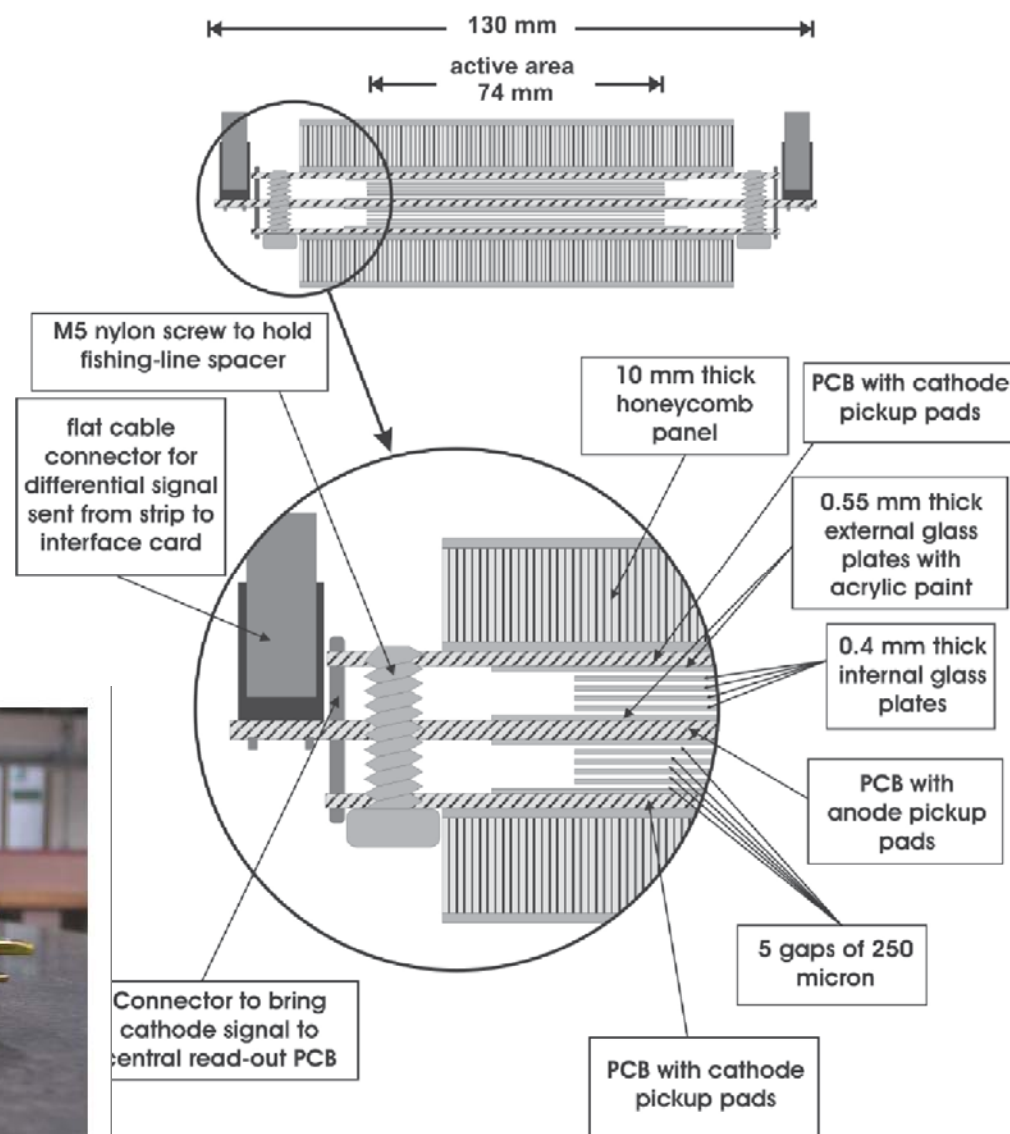
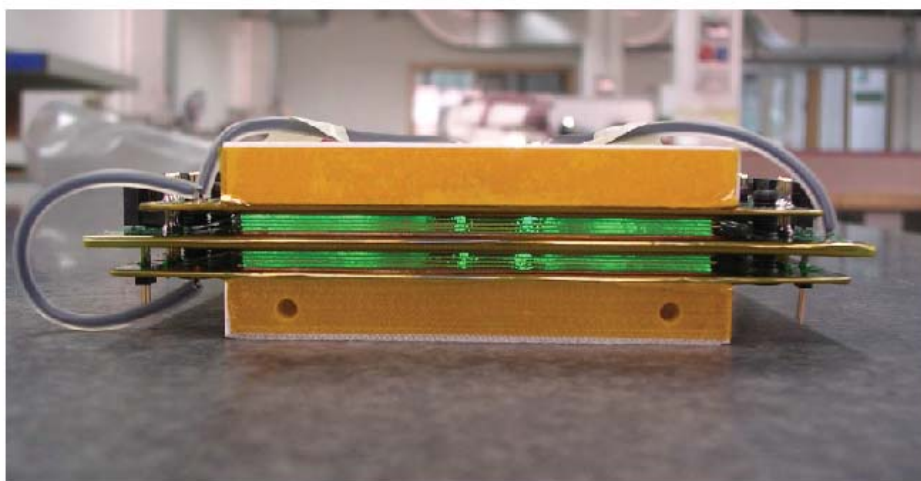
ALICE TOF

Very fast large area (140m^2)
particle detector:

→ MRPC, multi-gap RPC

$\sigma = 50\text{ps}$ (incl. read-out)

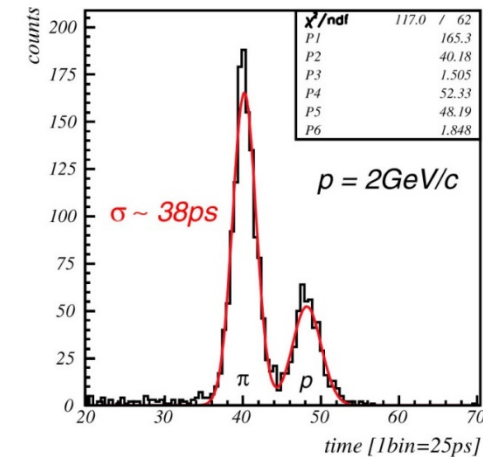
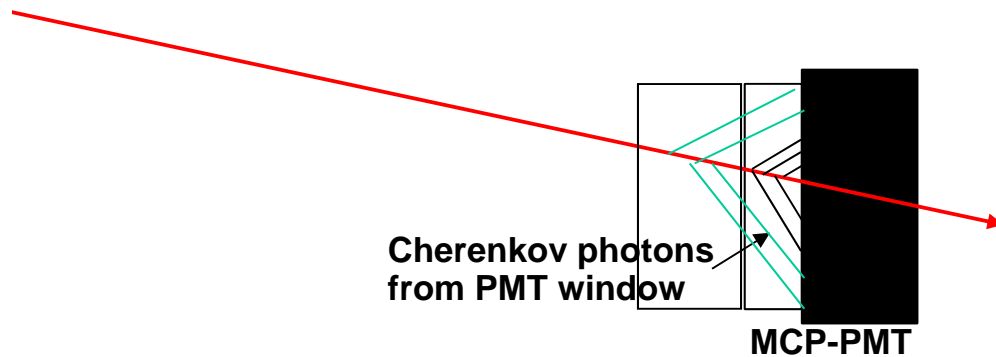
π/K separation (3σ) up to 2.5
 GeV/c at large track densities



TOF with Cherenkov light

Idea: detect Cherenkov light with a very fast photon detector (MCP PMT).

Cherenkov light is produced in a quartz plate in front of the MCP PMT and in the PMT window.



Proof of principle: beam test with pions and protons at 2 GeV/c.

Recent results:

→ resolution $\sim 5\text{ps}$ measured

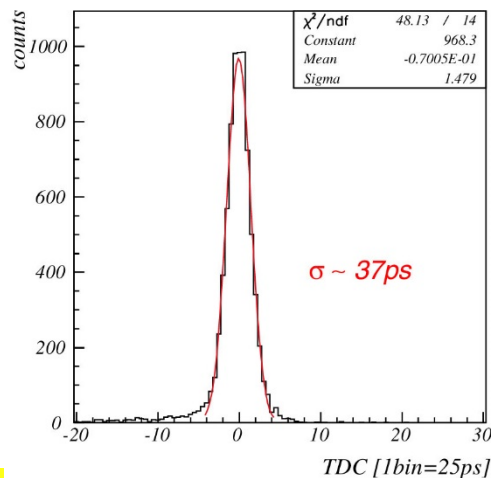
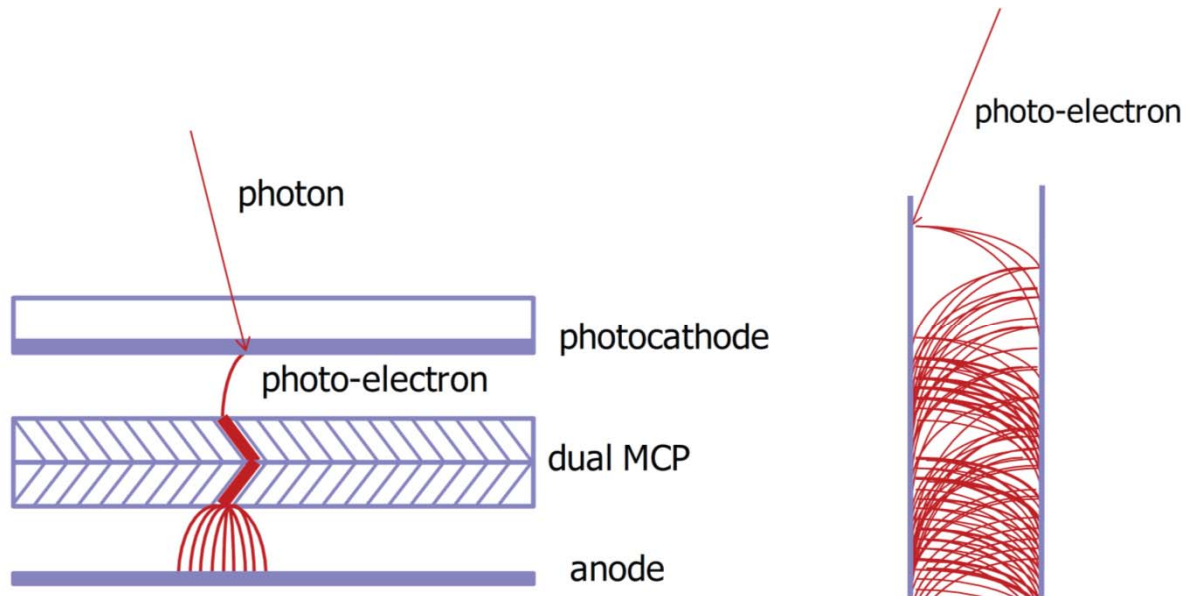
• K. Inami NIMA 560 (2006) 303

• J. Va'vra NIMA 595 (2008) 270

Open issues:

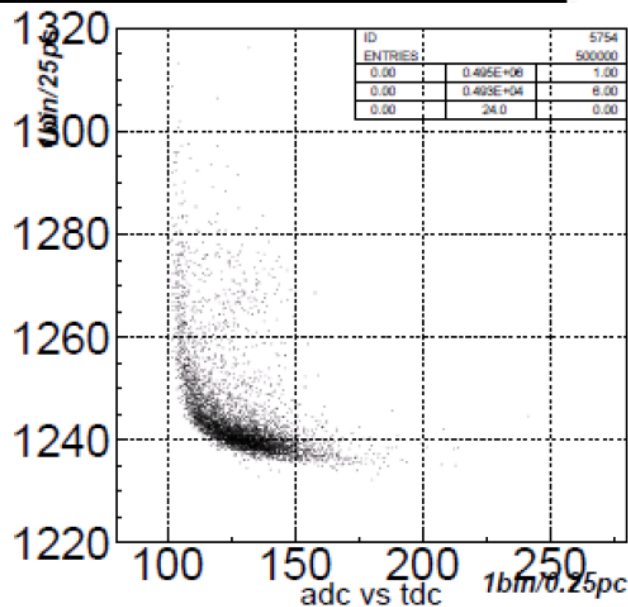
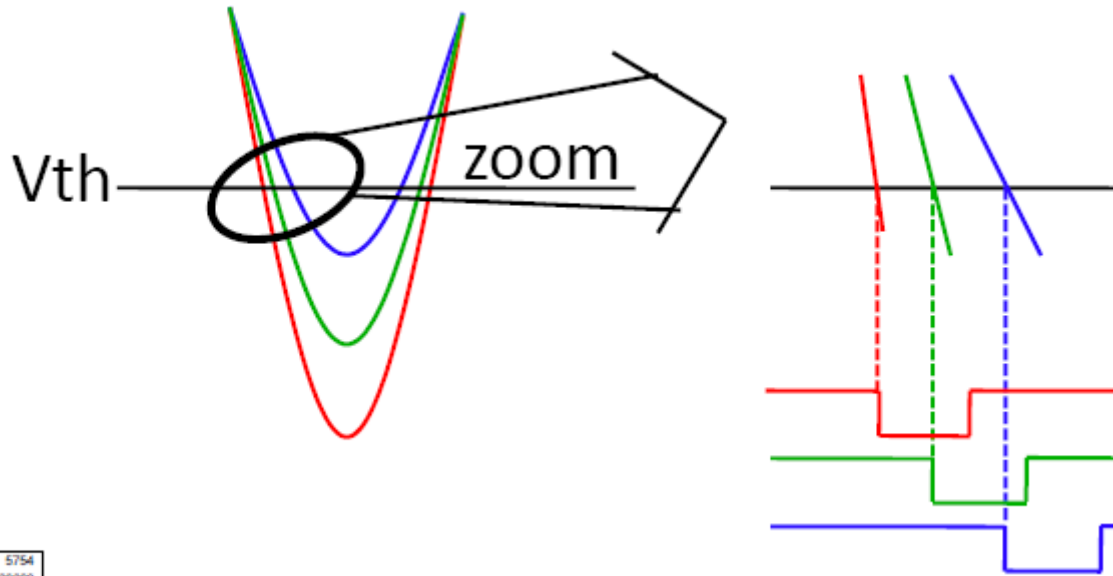
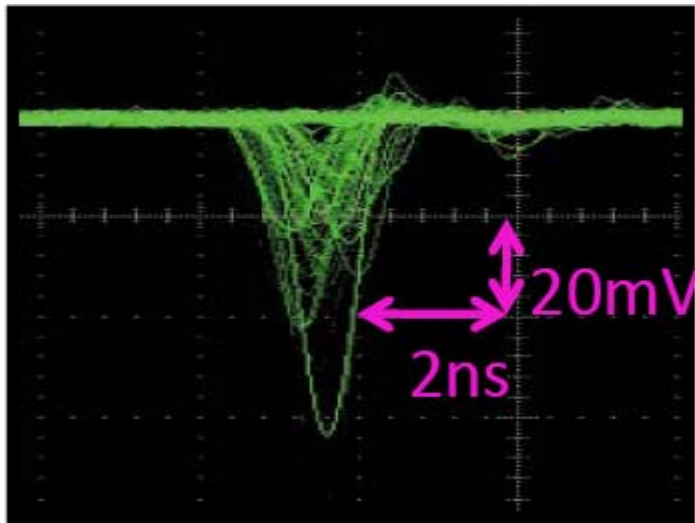
- read-out
- start time

MCP PMTs for a very fast timing



Micro-channel plate PMTs:
Single photon resolution:
typically **20ps – 40ps**

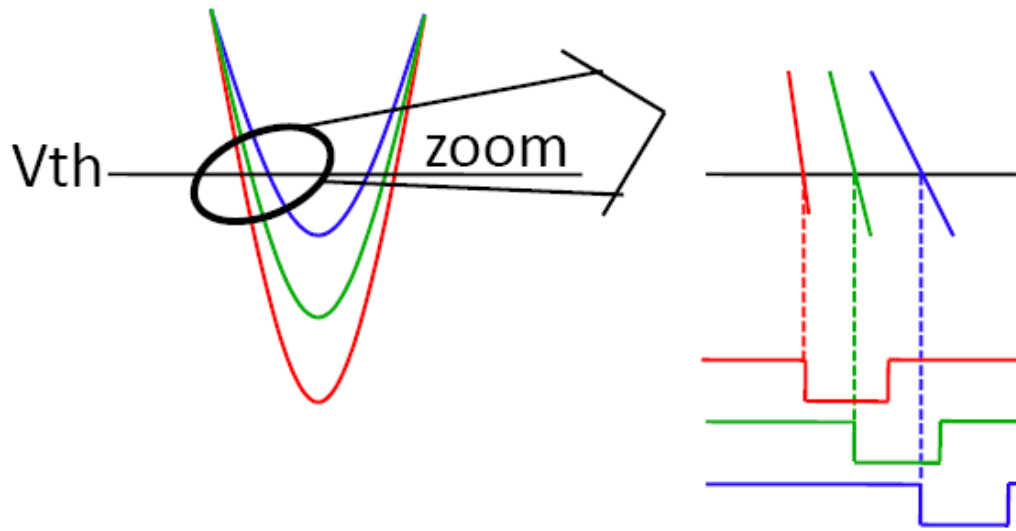
Read out: time walk with a leading edge discriminator



Variation of time determined with a leading edge discriminator: **smaller pulses give a delayed signal**

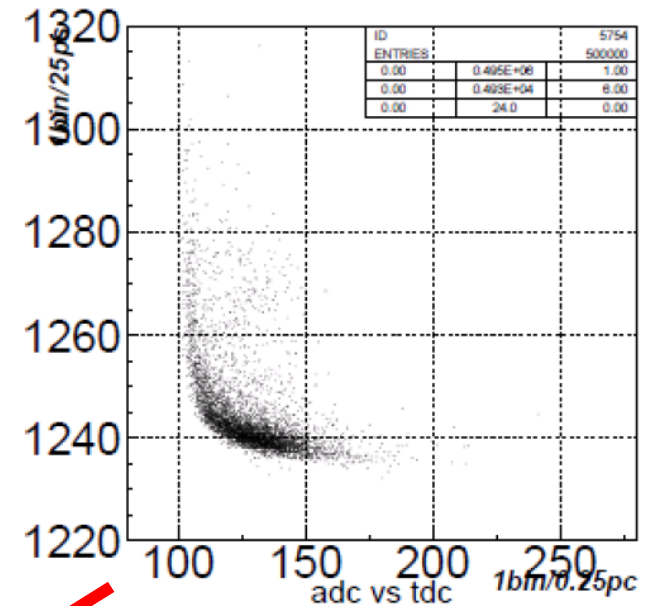
→ Has to be corrected!

Time walk correction 1



One possibility: measure both time (TDC) and amplitude (ADC)

→ Correct time of arrival by using a $\Delta T(\text{ADC})$ correction

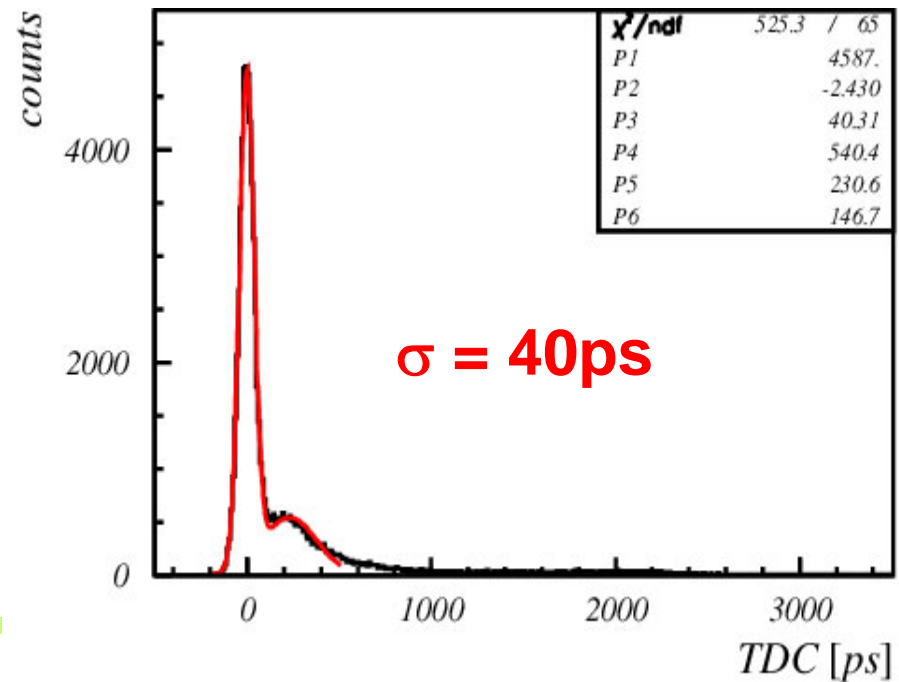
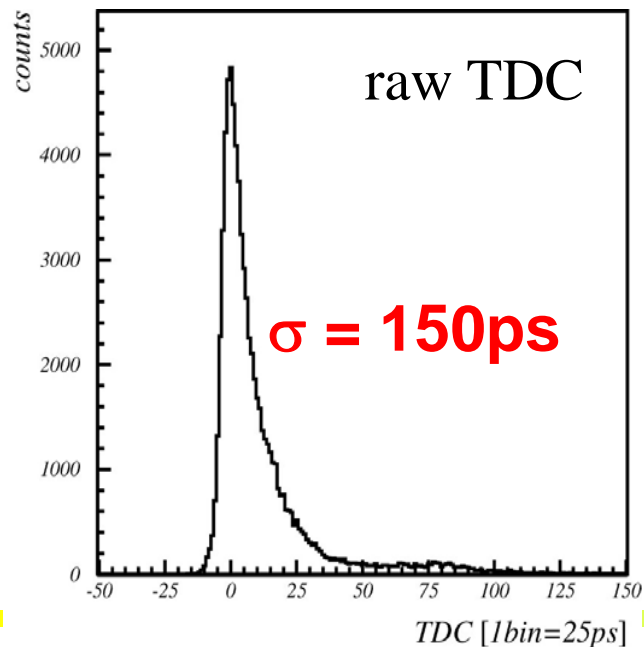
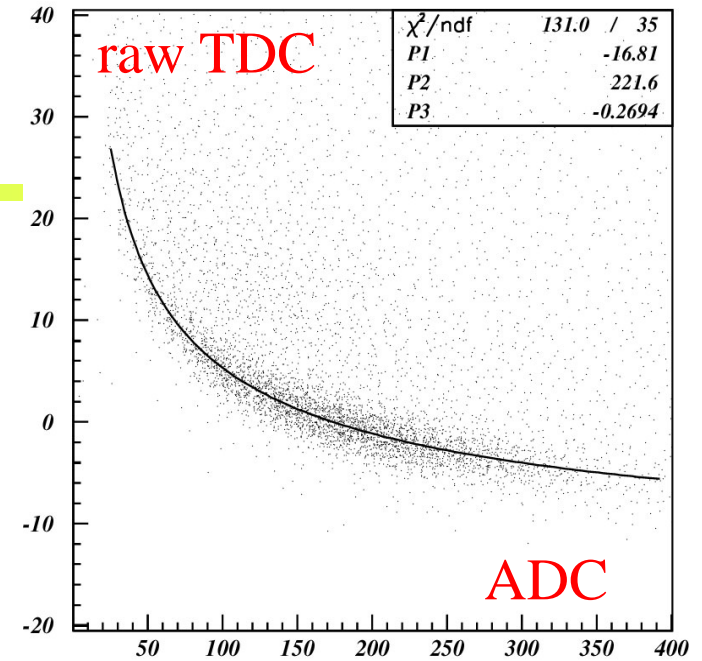


Time walk correction

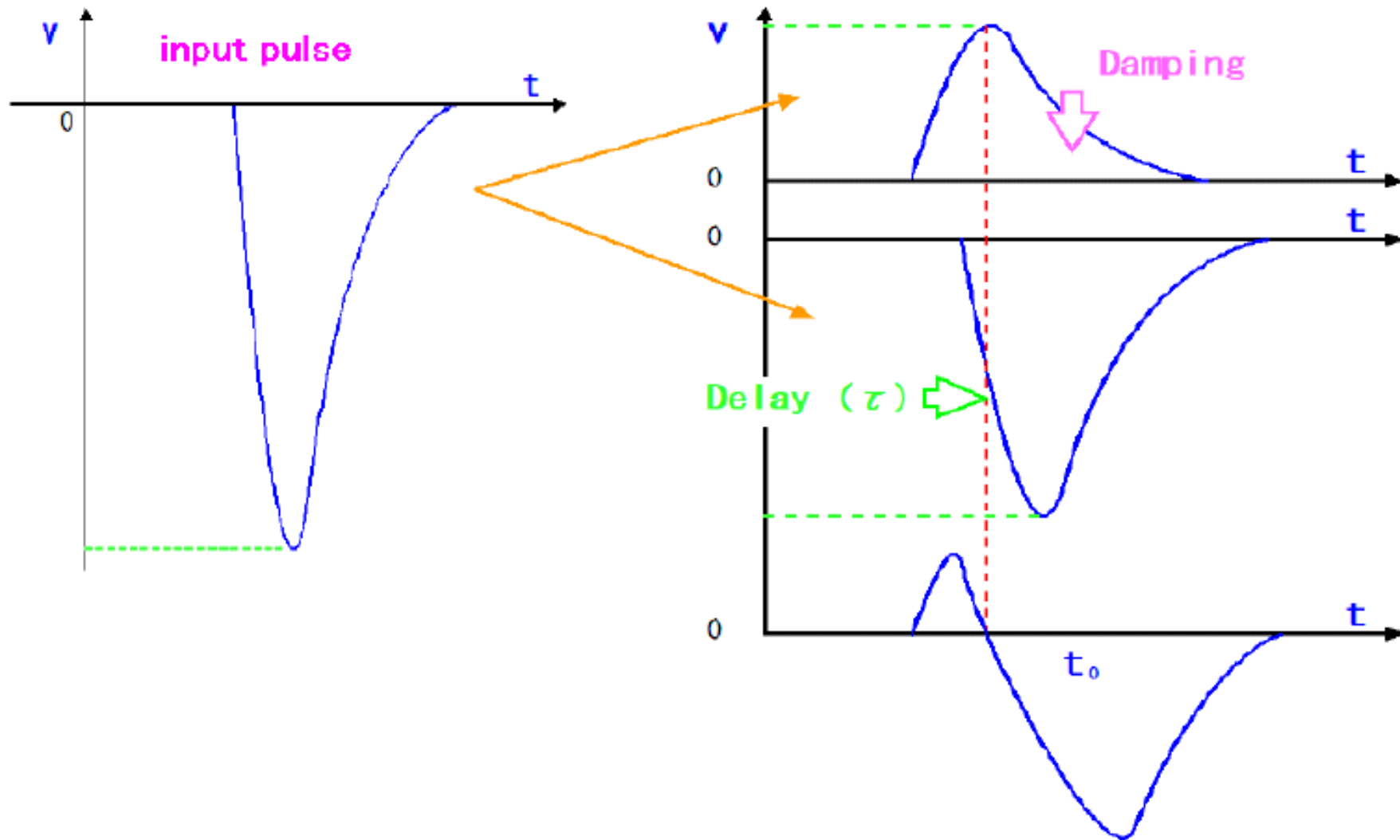
TDC vs. ADC correlation is fitted with

$$TDC = P1 + \sqrt{\frac{P2}{ADC - P3}}$$

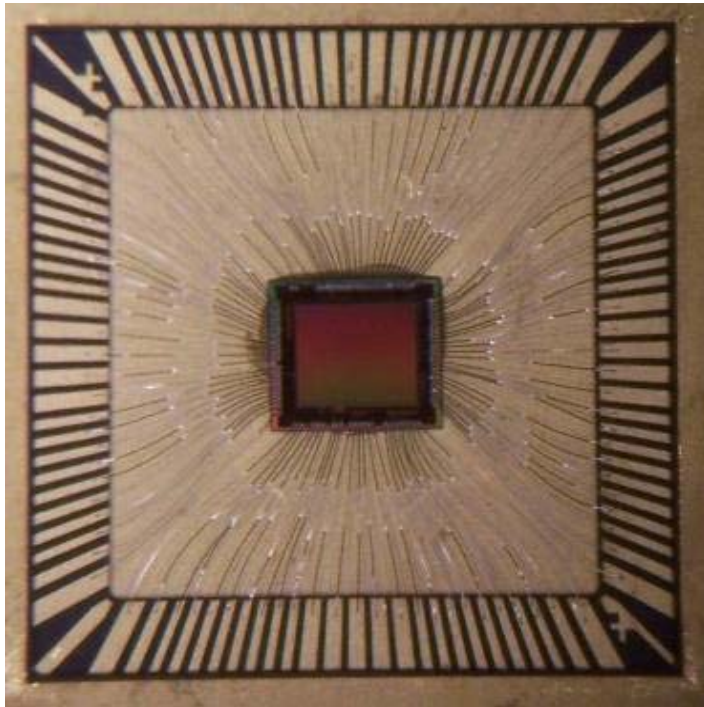
and used for TDC correction



Time walk correction 2: constant fraction discriminator (CFD)



Time walk correction 3: waveform sampling



3mm x 2.8mm, TSMC 0.25um

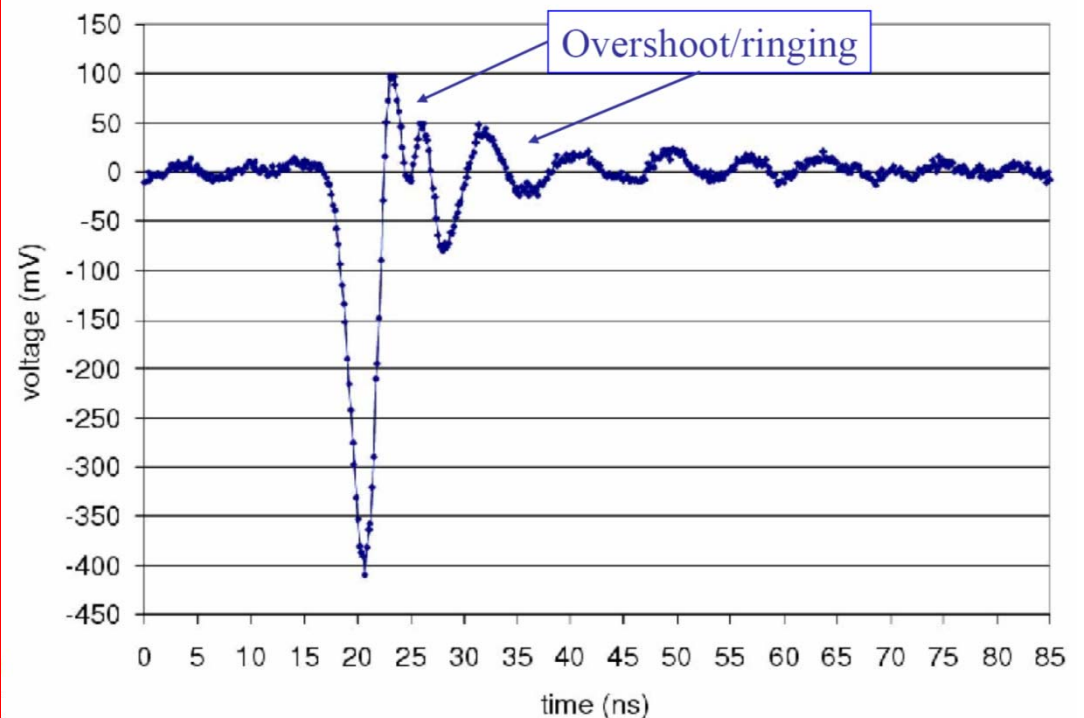
- 64k samples deep
- Multi-MSa/s to Multi-GSa/s

Gary Varner (Hawaii)

Variant of the LABRADOR 3

Successfully flew on ANITA in Dec 06/Jan 07 (≤ 50 ps timing)

Typical single p.e. signal [Burle]



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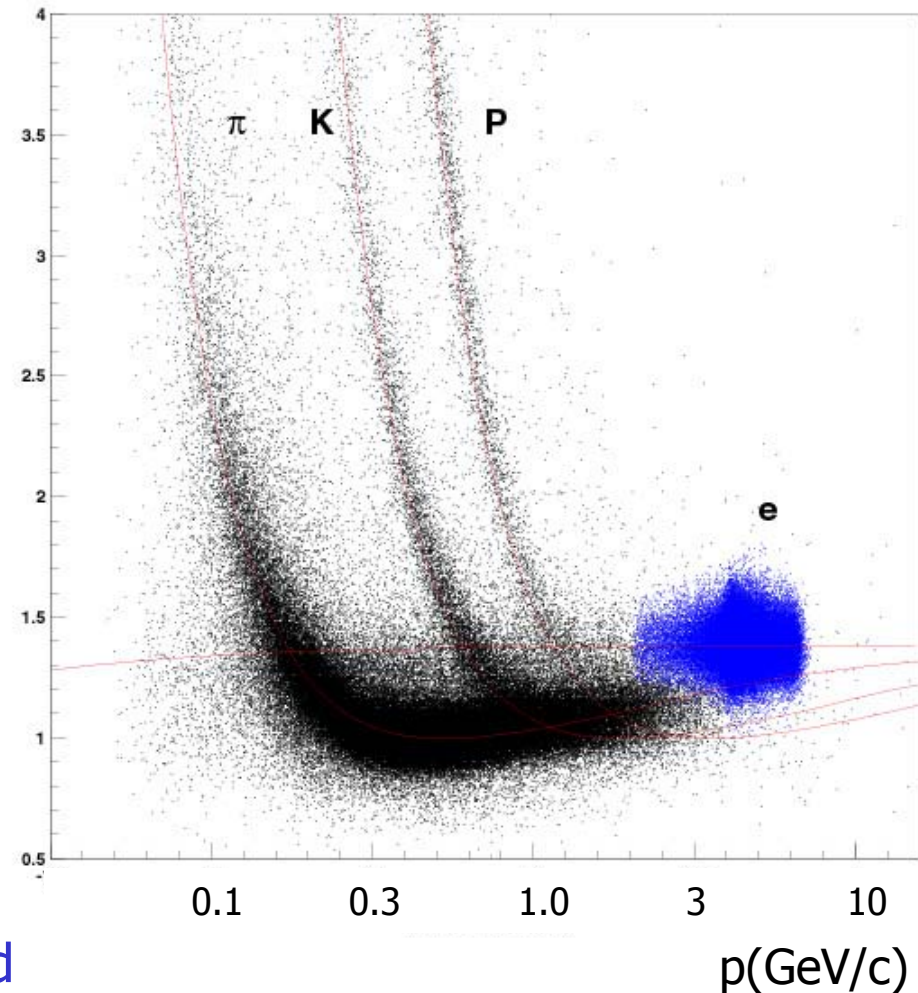
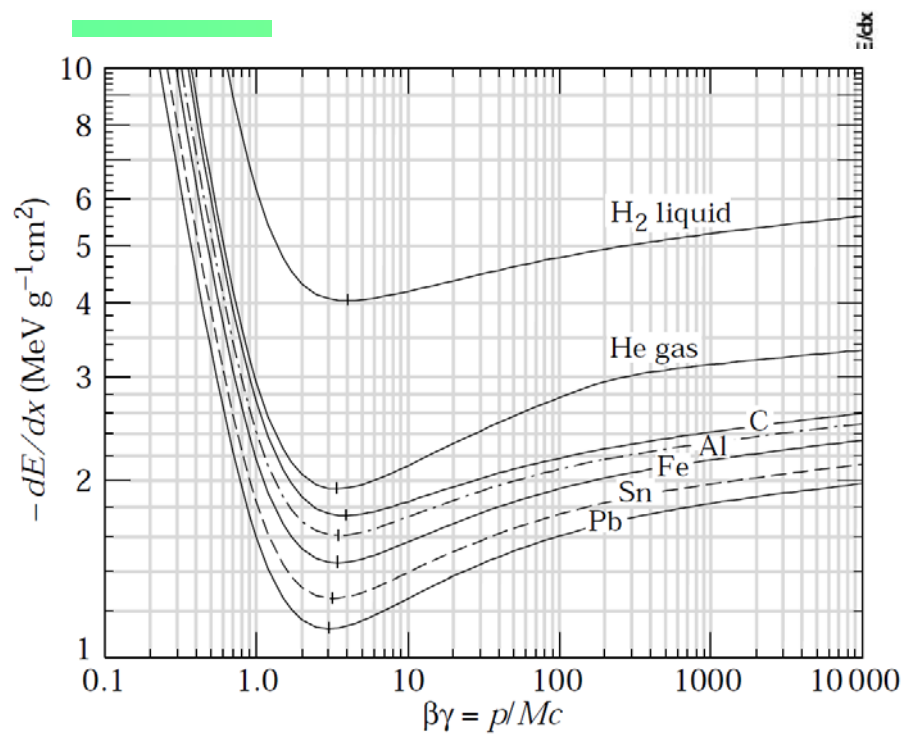
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Identification with the dE/dx measurement



dE/dx is a function of velocity β

For particles with different mass the Bethe-Bloch curve gets displaced if plotted as a function of p

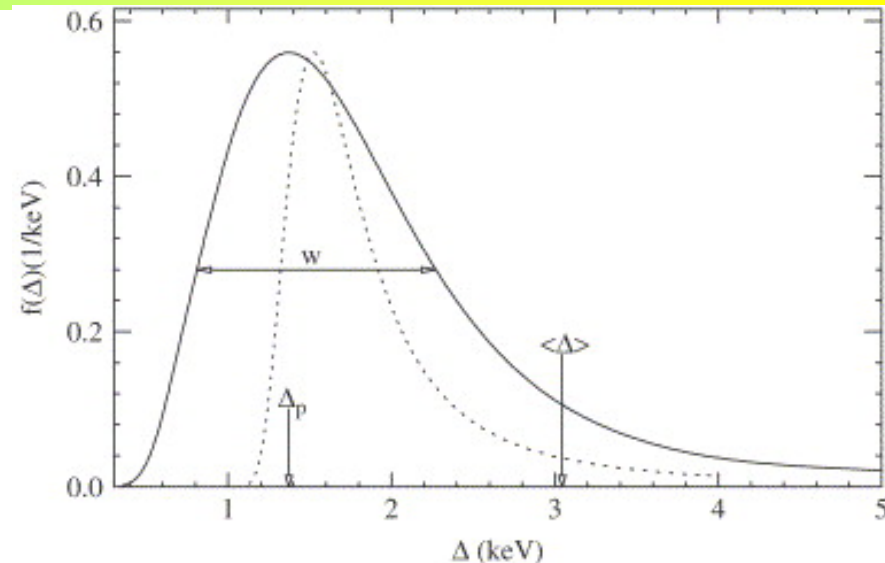
For good separation: resolution should be $\sim 5\%$

Measure in each drift chamber layer – use truncated mean

Identification with dE/dx measurement

Problem: long tails (not Gaussian!)

Energy loss distribution for particles with $\beta\gamma=3.6$ traversing 1.2 cm of Ar gas (solid line).



Parameters describing $f(\Delta)$ are

$\Delta_p(x; \beta\gamma)$: the most probable energy loss = the position of the maximum at 1371 eV, and

W : the full-width-at-half-maximum (FWHM) of 1463 eV. The mean energy loss is 3044 eV.

Dotted line: the original Landau function.

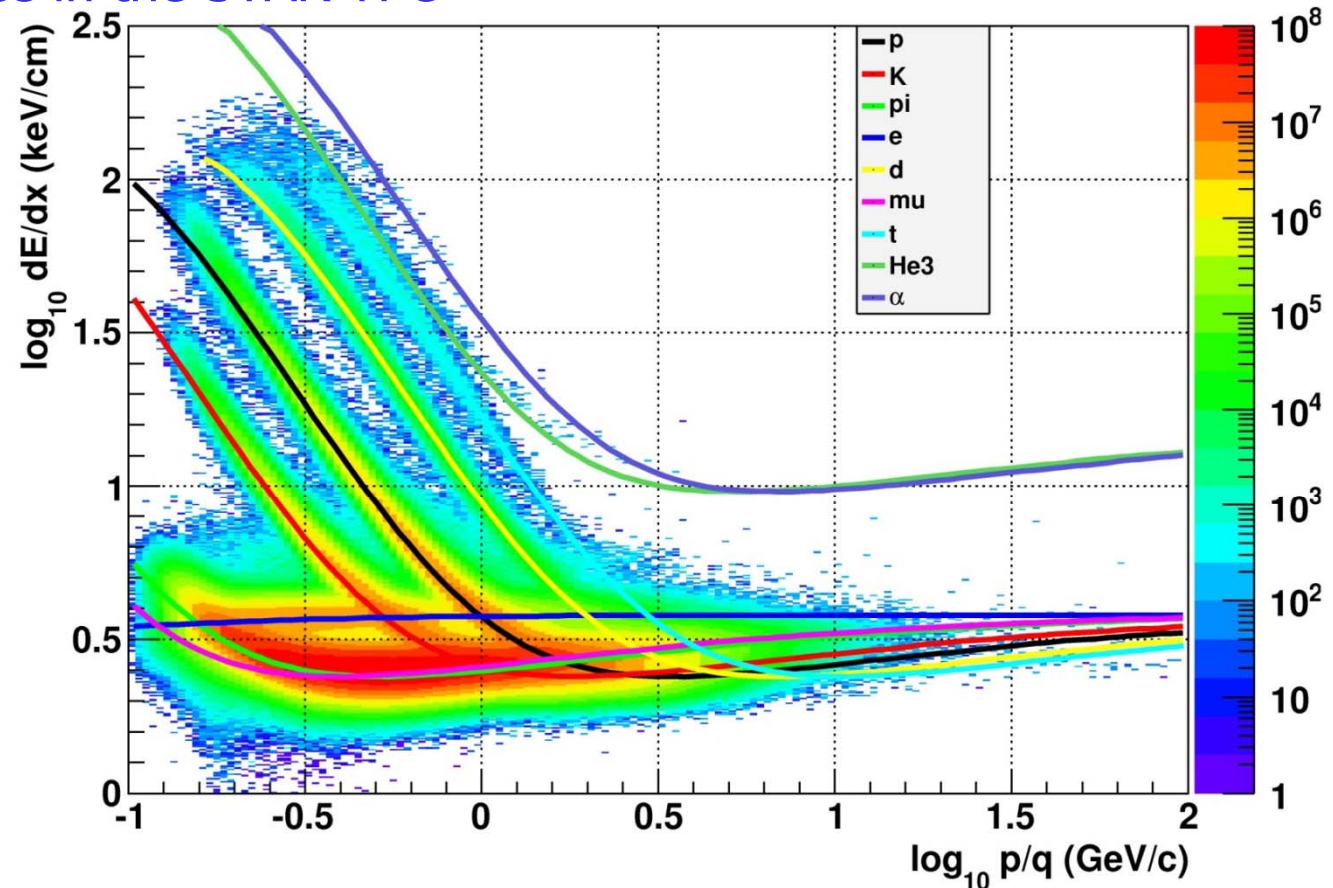
→ Many samples along the track (~ 100 in ALICE TPC), remove the largest $\sim 40\%$ values (reduce the influence of the long tail) → truncated mean

→ Hans Bichsel: A method to improve tracking and particle identification in TPCs and silicon detectors, NIM A562 (2006) 154

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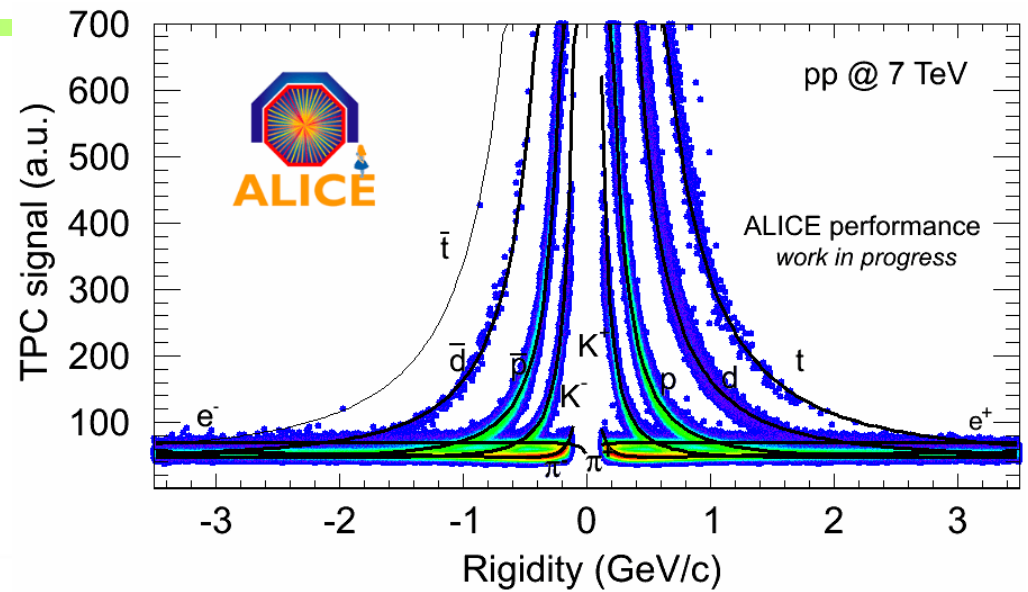
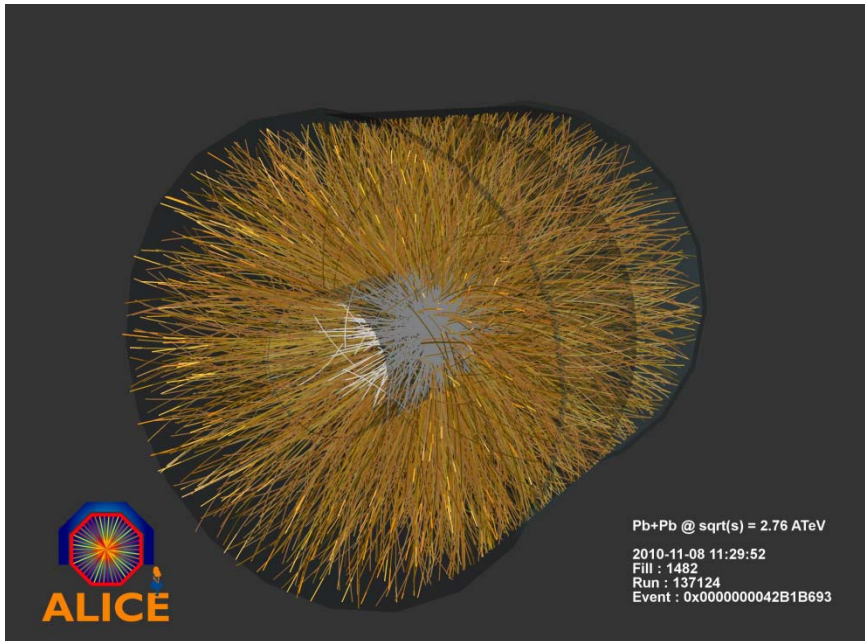
dE/dx performance in the STAR TPC

gold-gold
collisions

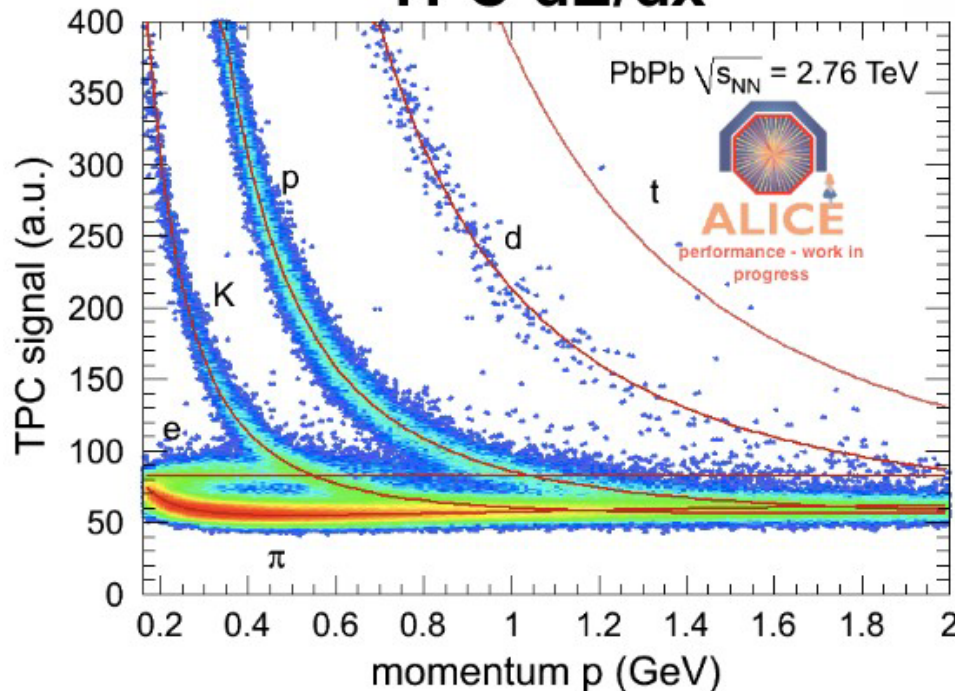


Energy loss in the STAR TPC: truncated mean as a function of momentum. The curves are Bichsel model predictions.

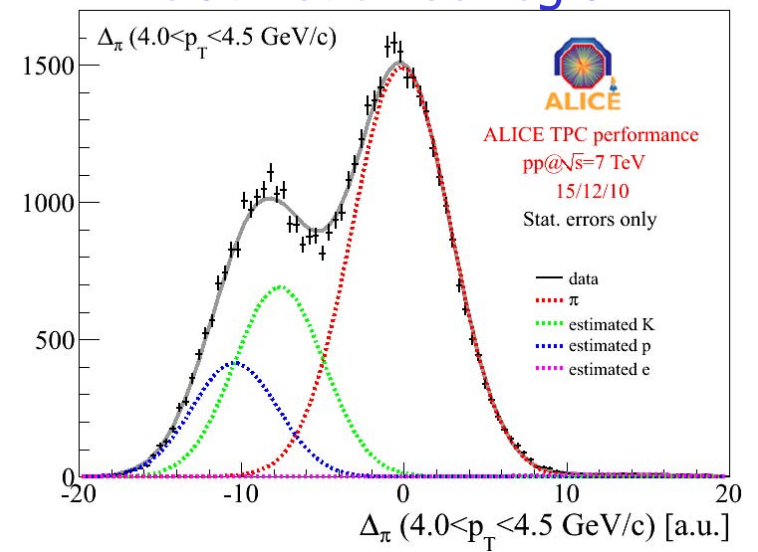
dE/dx in ALICE



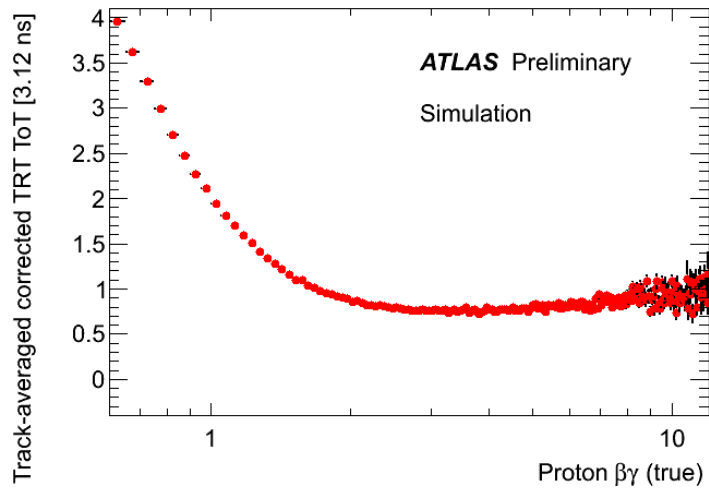
TPC dE/dx



relativistic rise region

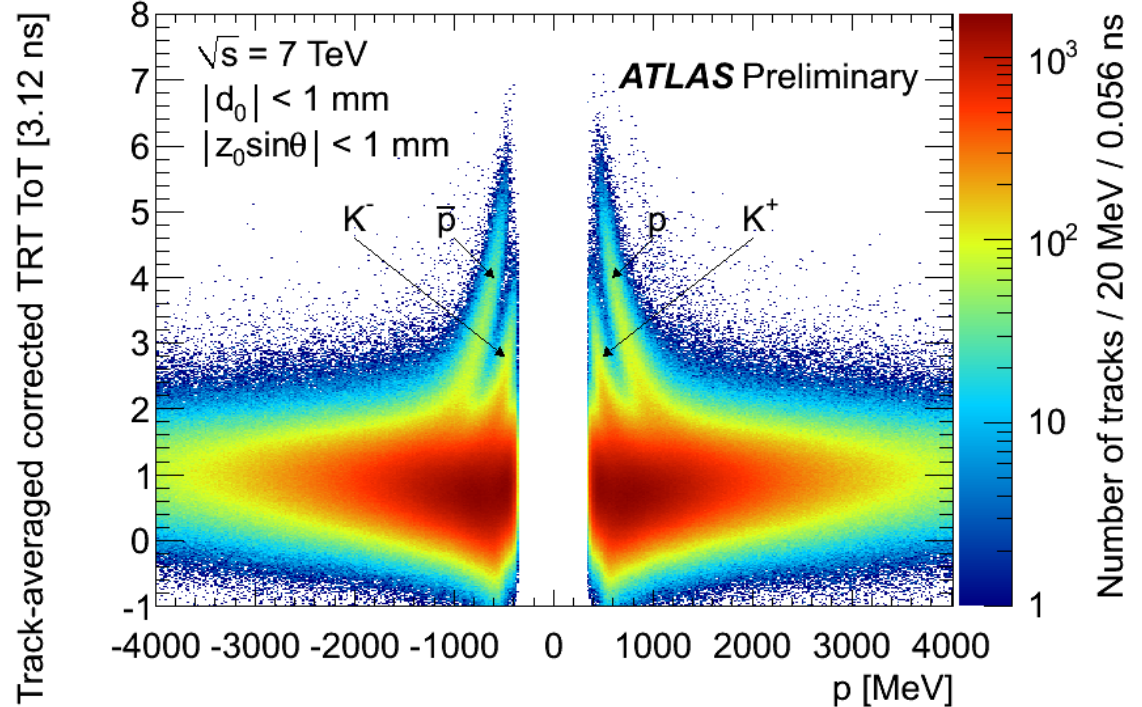


Time-over-Threshold (ToT): dE/dx in ATLAS TRT



Track-averaged ToT distribution as a function of the track momentum.

The relation between the track ToT measurement and the track $\beta\gamma$, obtained from MC studies.



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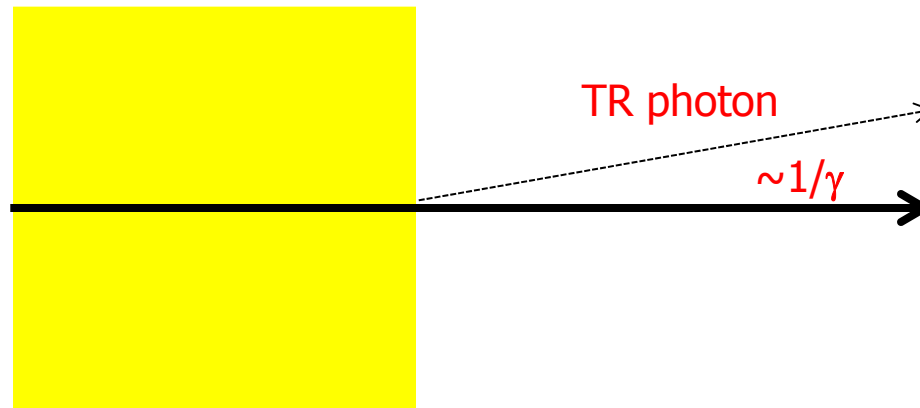
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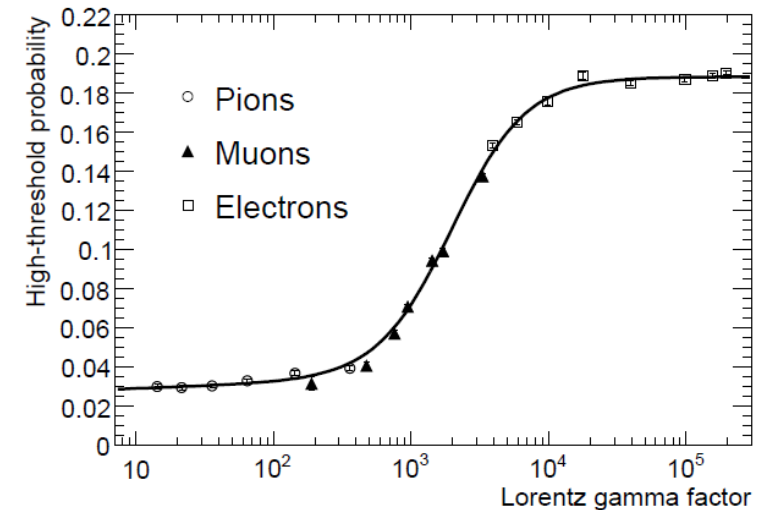
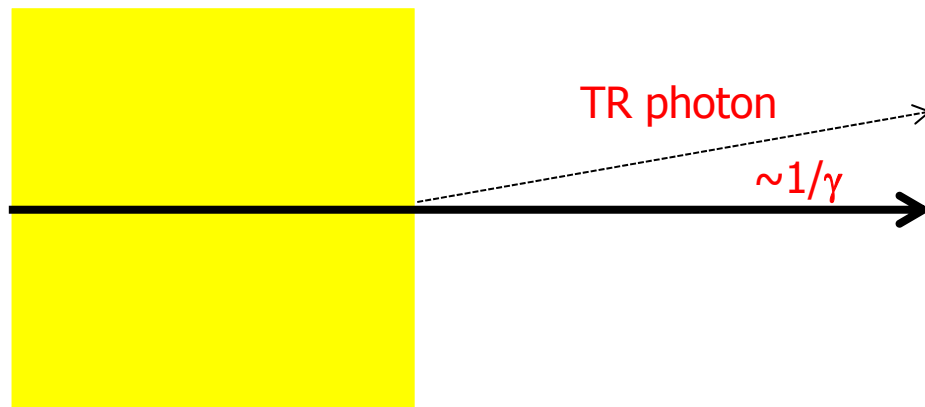
- Accelerated particle emits E.M. radiation
- Transition radiation: particle has a constant velocity, but the phase velocity of the medium changes abruptly at the boundary \rightarrow radiation

\rightarrow B. Dolgoshein, NIM A326 (1993) 434-469

J.D. Jackson, Classical Electrodynamics.

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Emission rate depends on γ (Lorentz factor): becomes important at $\gamma \sim 1000$

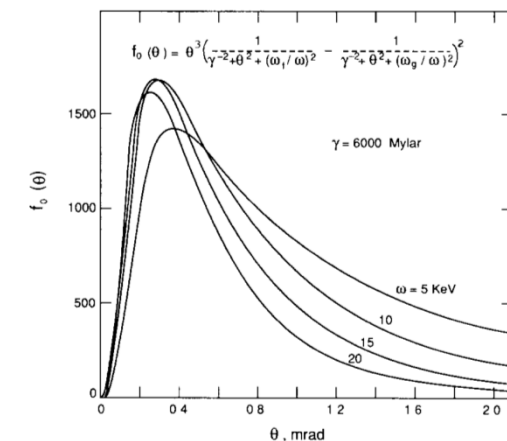
- Electrons at 0.5 GeV
- Pions above 140 GeV

Emission probability per boundary $\sim \alpha = 1/137$

Emission angle $\sim 1/\gamma$

Typical photon energy: ~ 10 keV \rightarrow X rays

\rightarrow Lectures by C. Joram



Transition radiation - detection

Emission probability per boundary $\sim \alpha = 1/137$

→ Need many boundaries

- Stacks of thin foils or
- Porous materials – foam with many boundaries of individual 'bubbles'

Typical photon energy: ~ 10 keV → X rays

→ Need a wire chamber with a high Z gas (Xe) in the gas mixture

Emission angle $\sim 1/\gamma$

→ Hits from TR photons along the charged particle direction

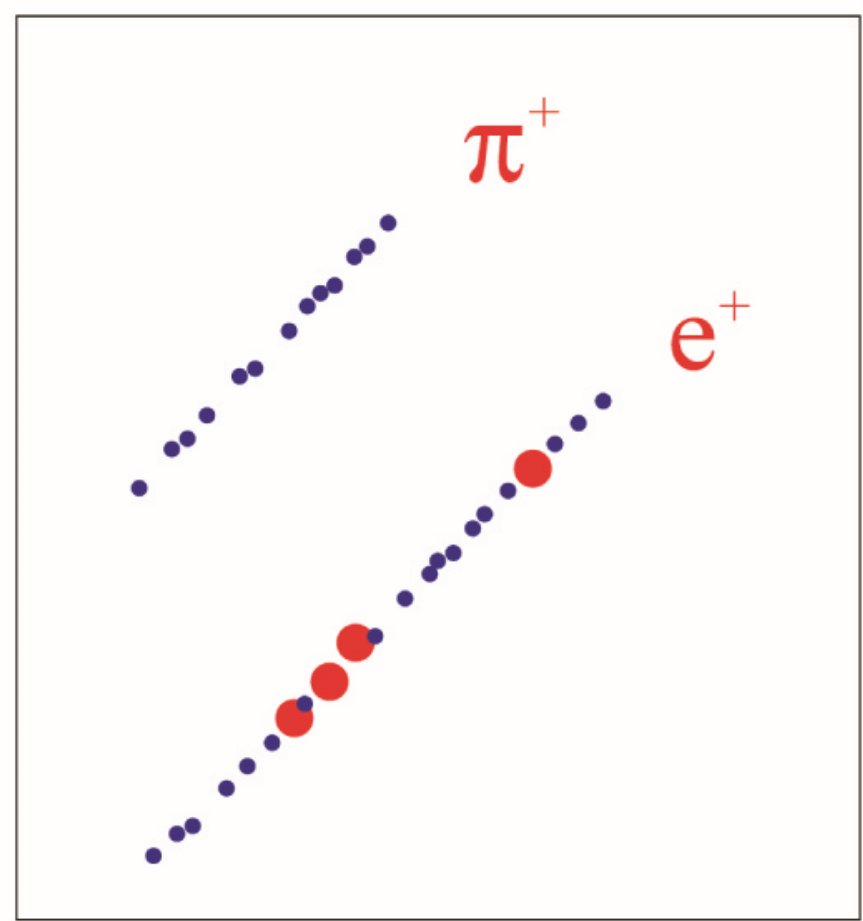
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- Small circles: low threshold (ionisation)
- Big circles: high threshold (X ray detection)

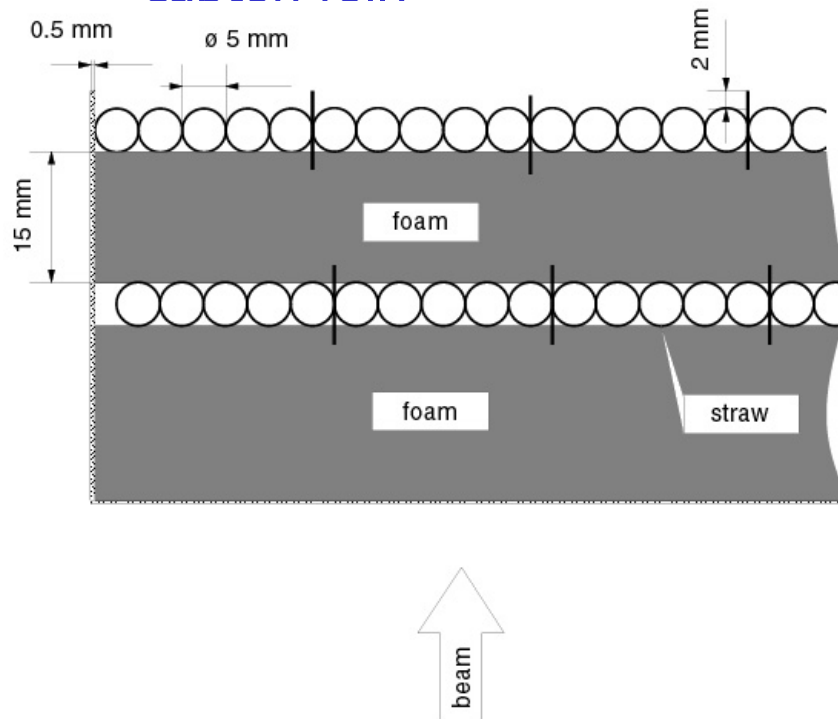
(pion below, e above the TR threshold)



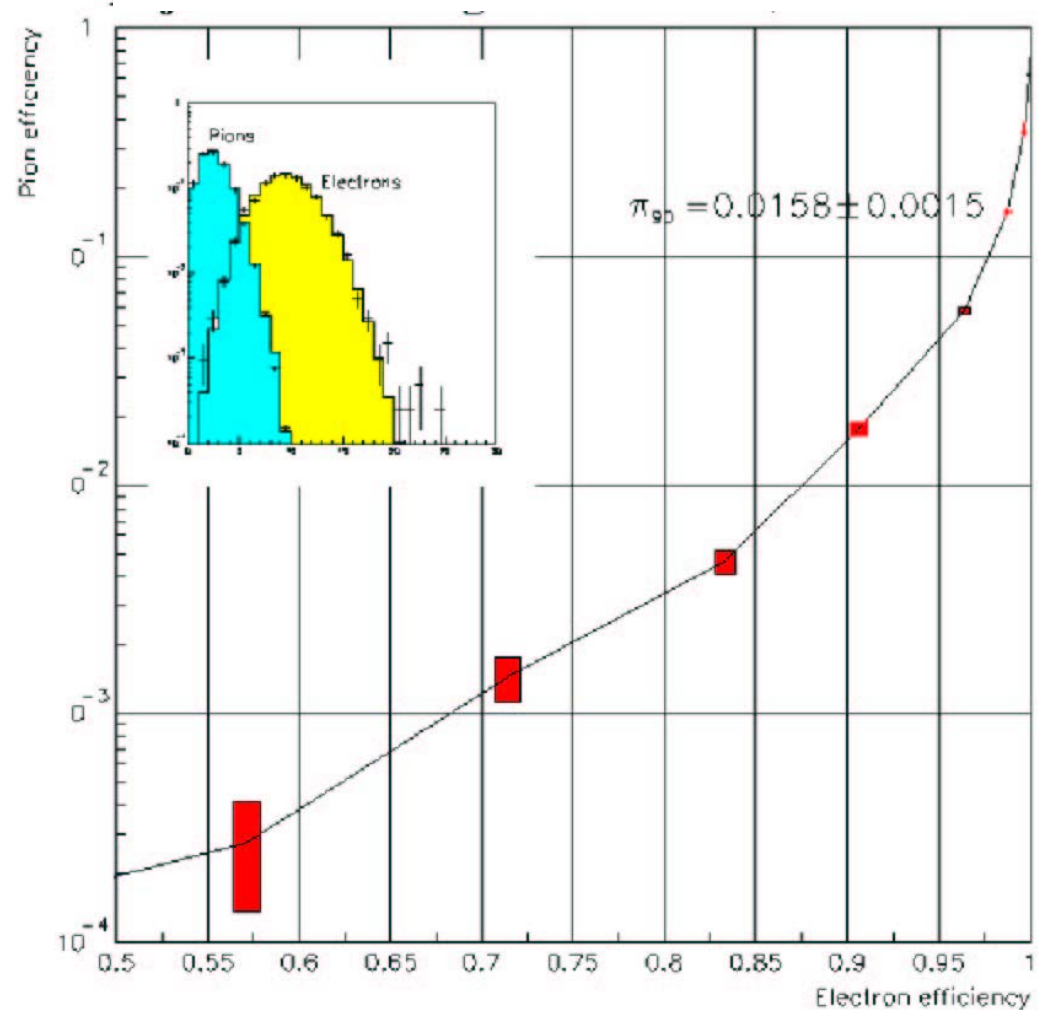
Transition radiation detectors

Example:

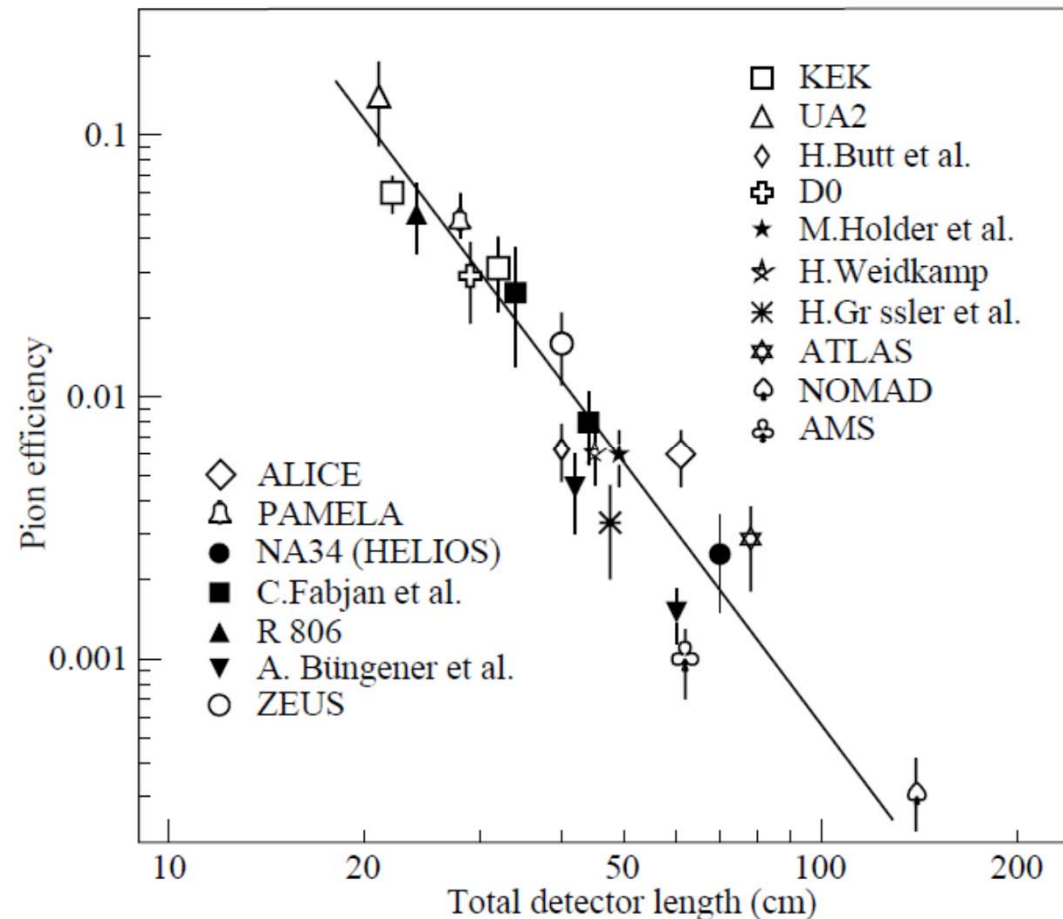
Radiator: organic foam
between the detector
tubes (straws made of
carbon foil)



Performance: pion efficiency (fake prob.)
vs electron efficiency



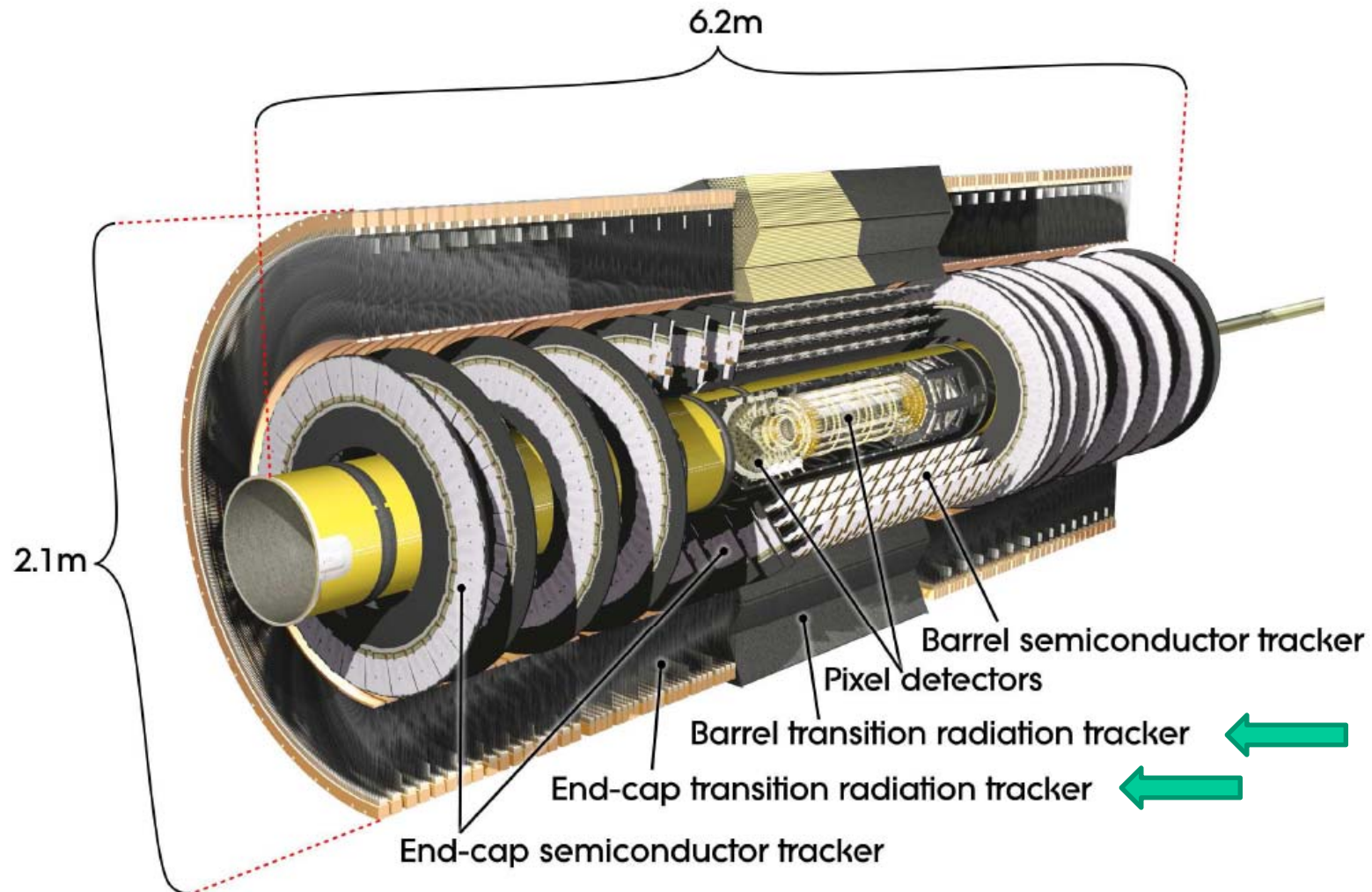
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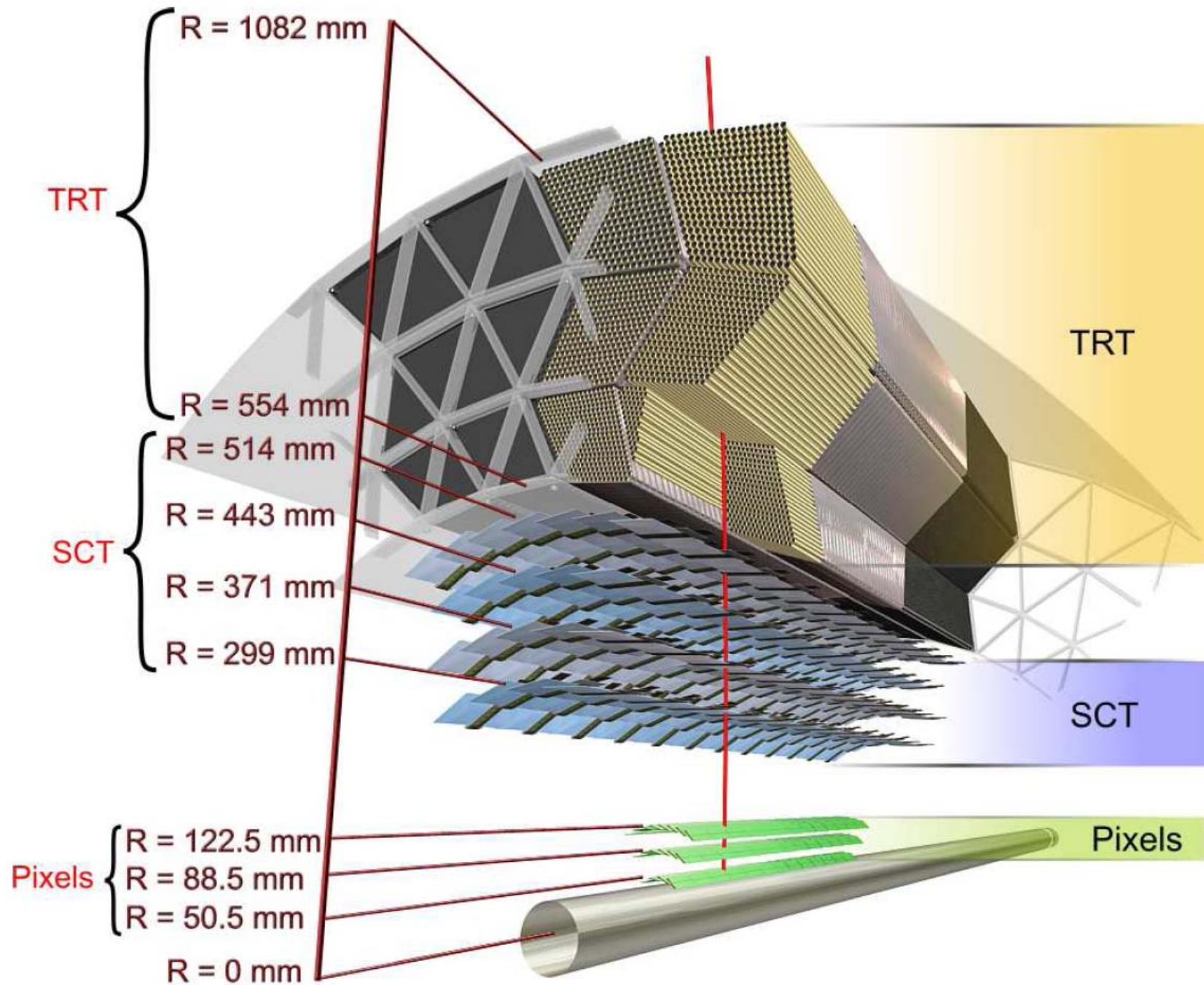


Performance: pion efficiency (fake prob.) vs detector length

Transition radiation detector in

- ATLAS: combination of a tracker and — a transition radiation detector

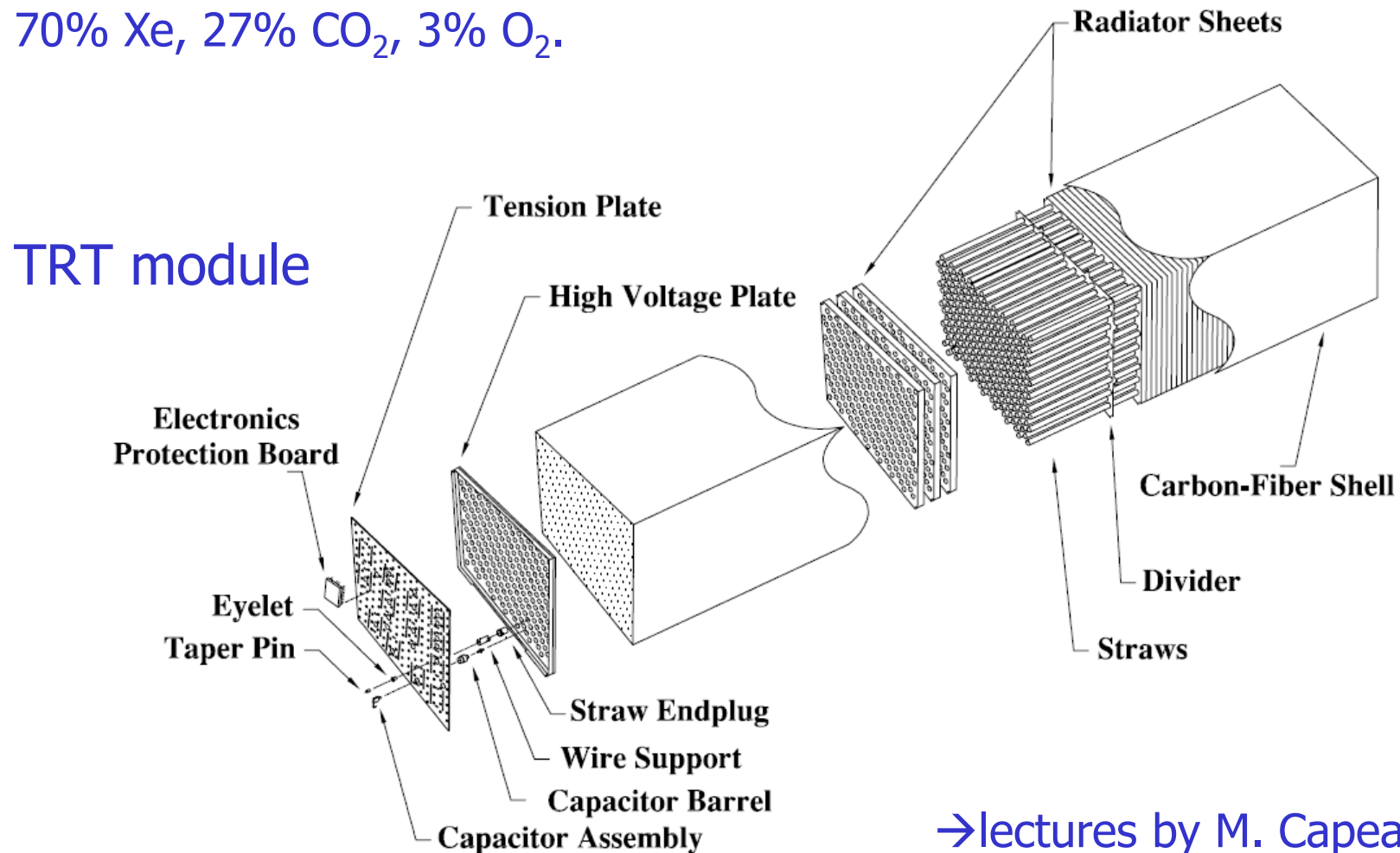




ATLAS TRT

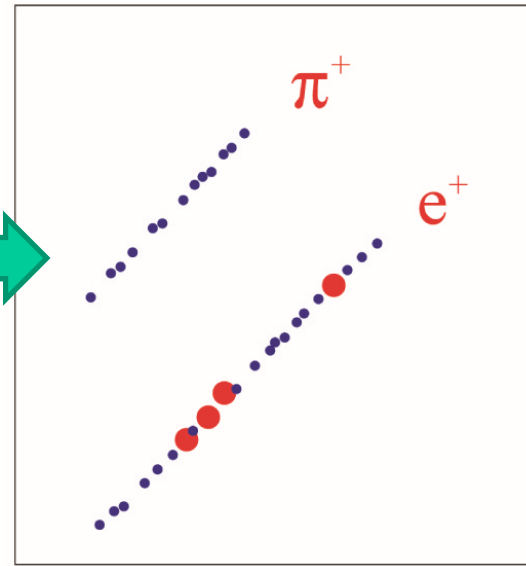
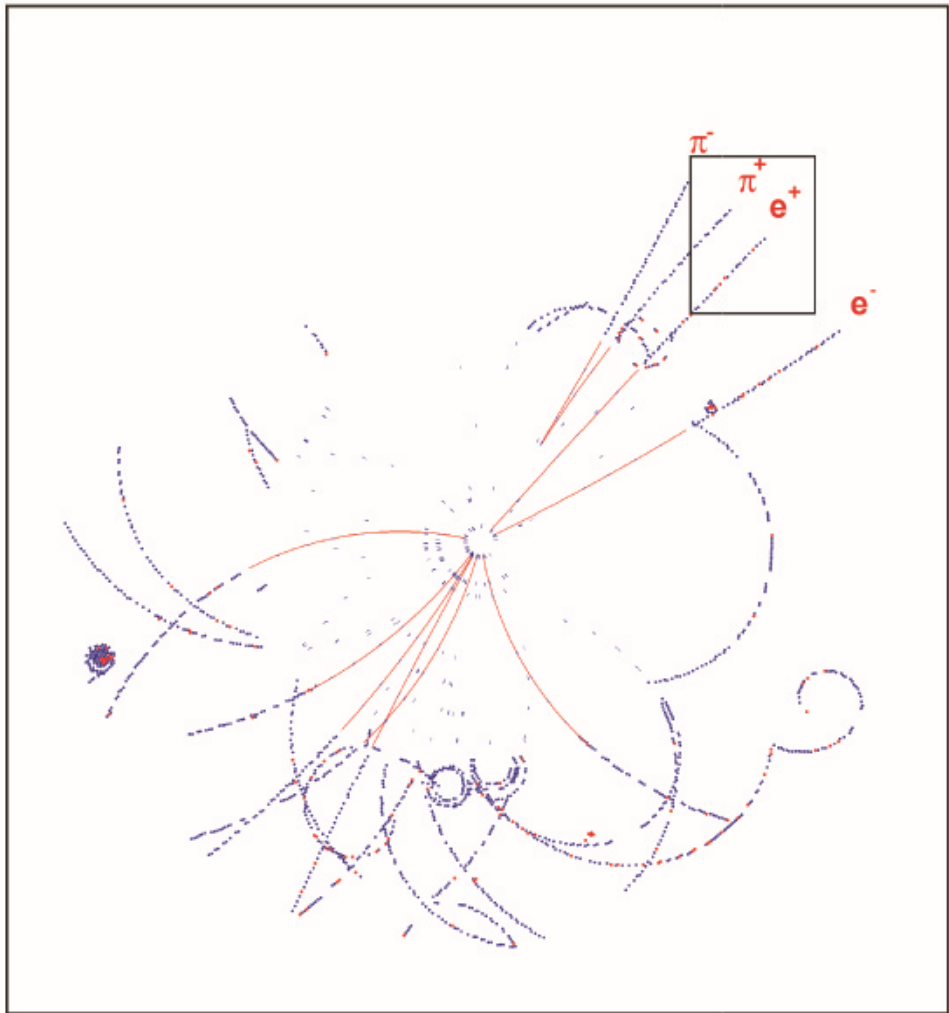
Radiator: 3mm thick layers made of polypropylene-polyethylene fibers with ~ 19 micron diameter, density: 0.06 g/cm^3

Straw tubes: 4mm diameter with 31 micron diameter anode wires, gas: 70% Xe, 27% CO₂, 3% O₂.

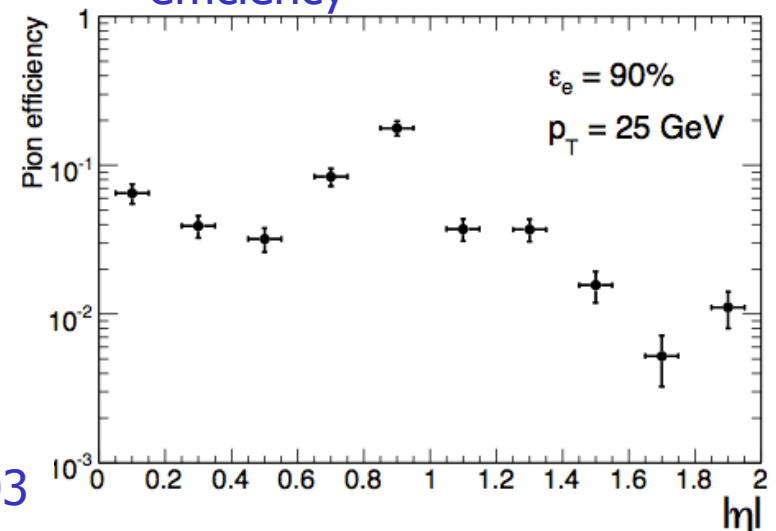


→lectures by M. Capeans

TRT: pion-electron separation

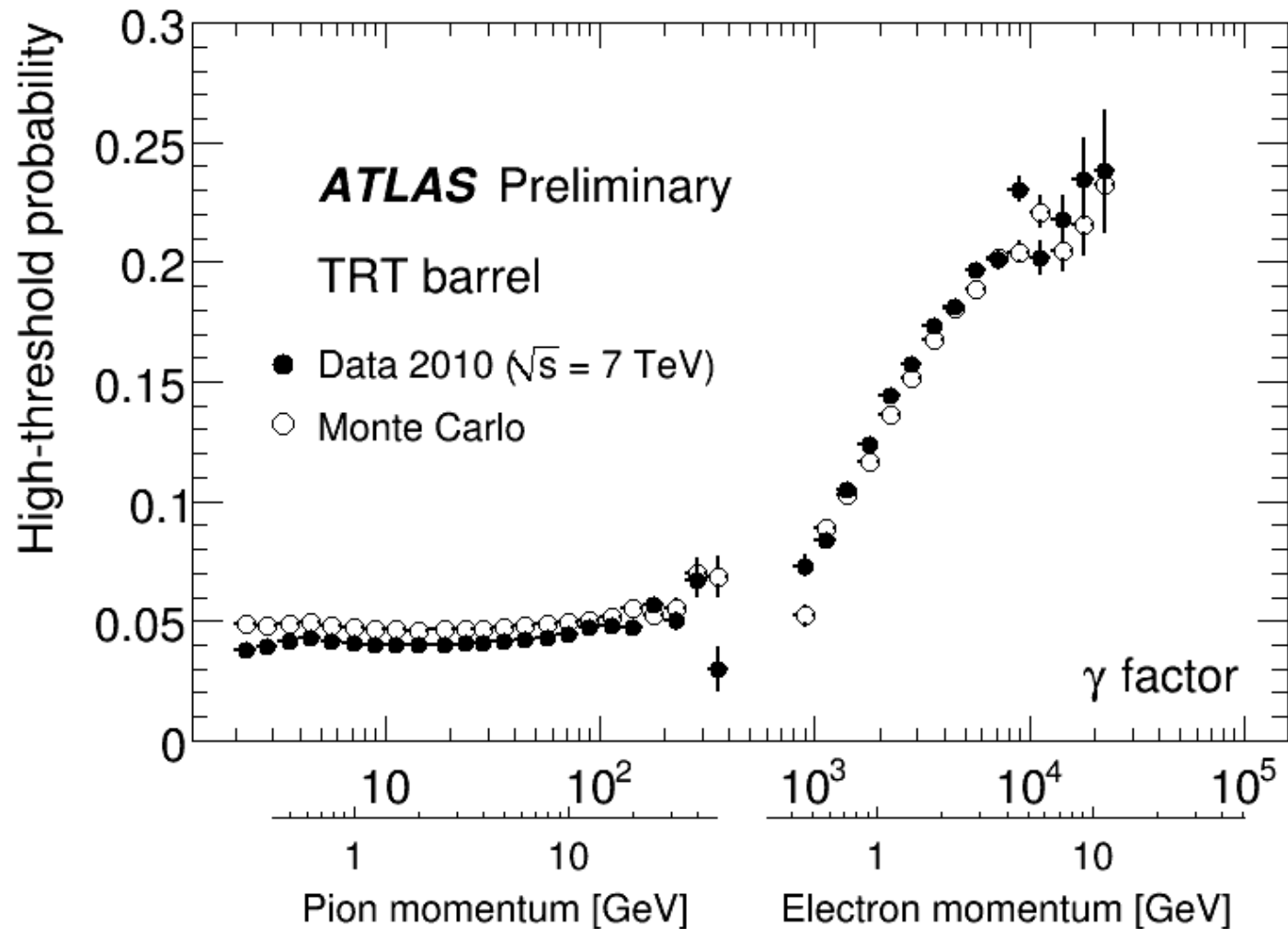


π fake probability at 90% e efficiency



TRT performance in 2010 data

e/pion separation: high threshold hit probability per straw



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Separate muons from hadrons (pions and kaons):

Exploit the fact that muons interact only electromag., while hadrons interact strongly

→ need a few interaction lengths to stop hadrons (interaction lengths = about 10x radiation length in iron, 20x in CsI).

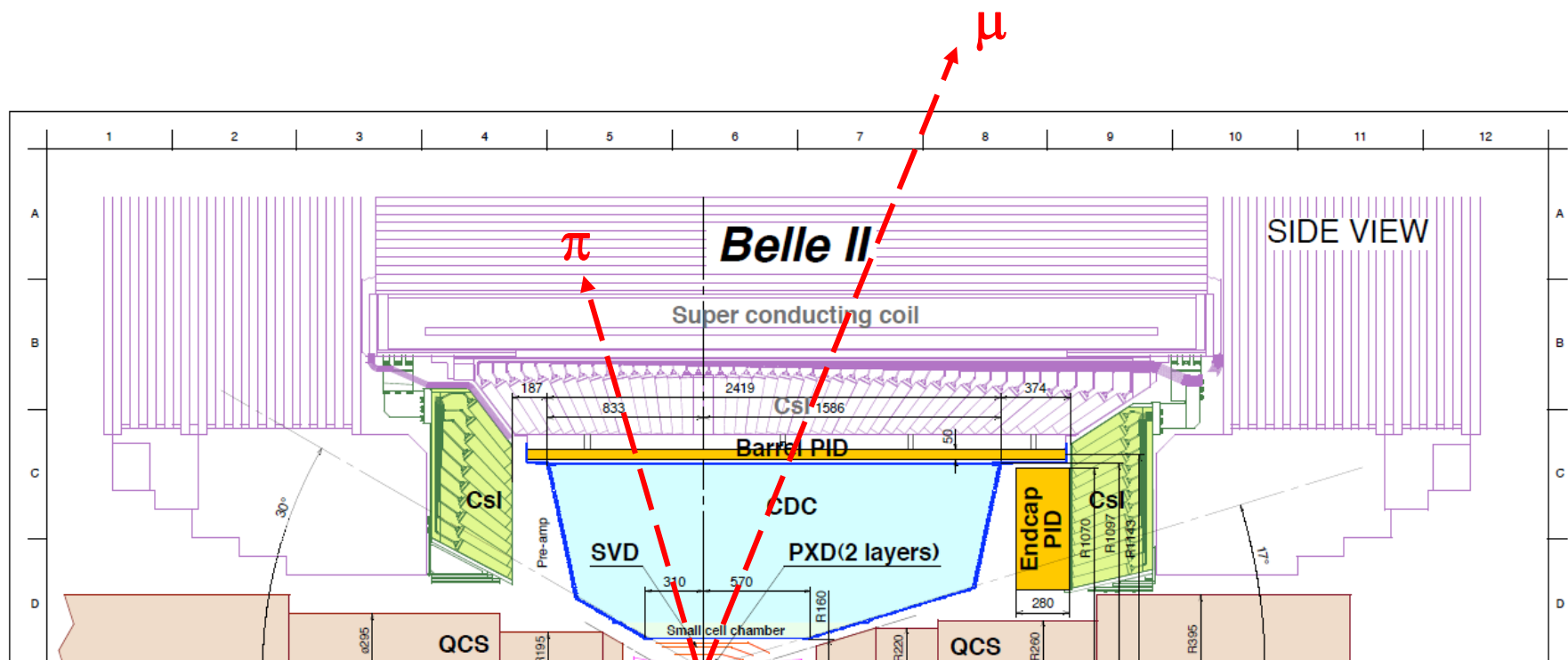
→ **A particle is identified as a muon if it penetrates the material.**

Example: muon detection at B factories

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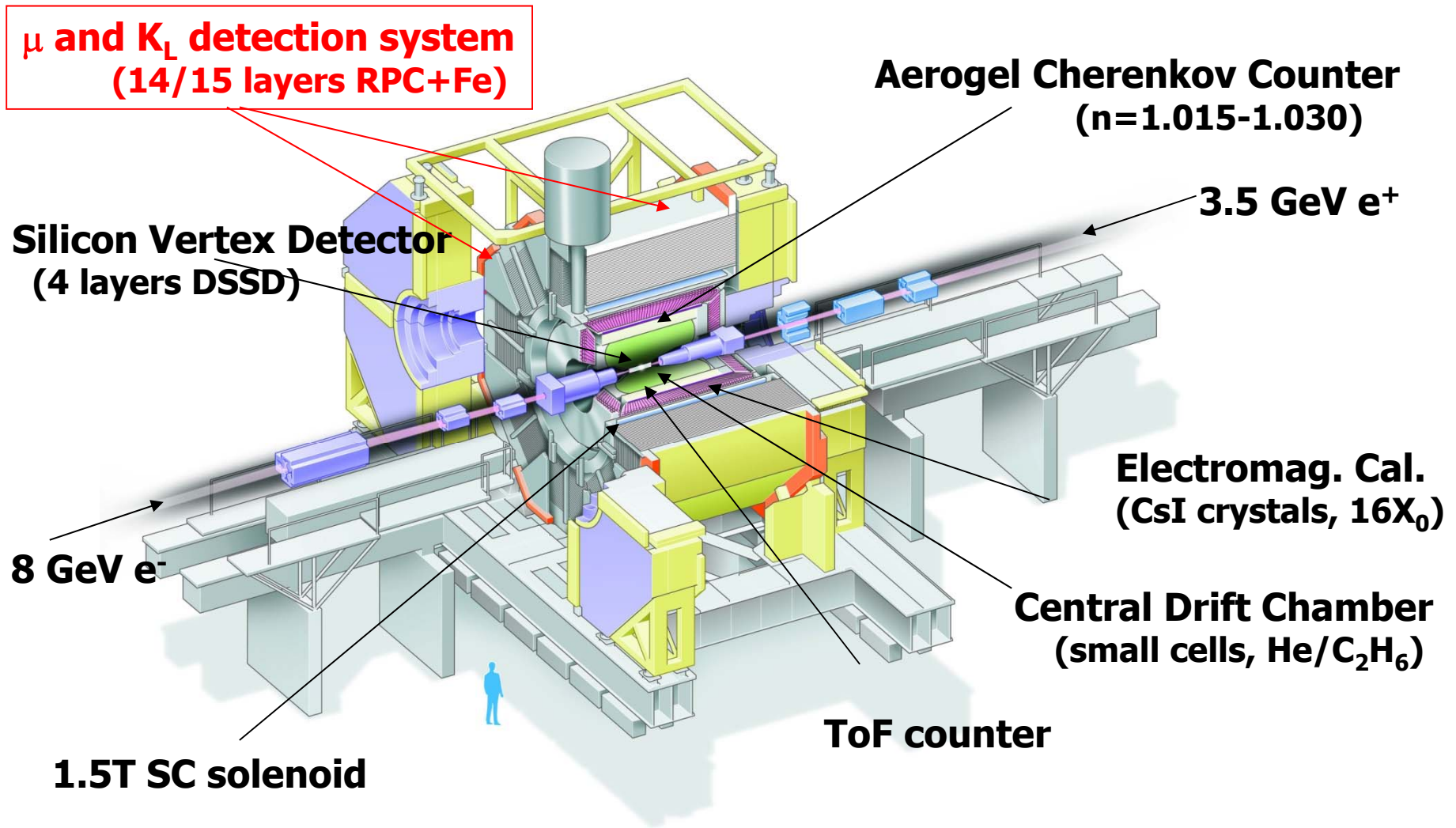
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Some relevant numbers:

- Calorimeter (CsI): ~ 20 rad. lengths \rightarrow 0.8 interaction length
 - Magnet return yoke (iron): 3.9 interaction lengths
 - Interaction length: iron 132 g/cm^2 , CsI 167 g/cm^2
 - $(dE/dx)_{\min}$: iron $1.45 \text{ MeV}/(\text{g/cm}^2)$, CsI $1.24 \text{ MeV}/(\text{g/cm}^2)$
- $\rightarrow \Delta E_{\min} = (0.36+0.11) \text{ GeV} = 0.47 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow$ reliable identification of muons possible above $\sim 600 \text{ MeV}$

Detect K_L interaction (cluster): again need a few interaction lengths – the same system can be used for both – bonus!

Example: Muon and K_L detection at Belle



Muon and K_L detector

Up to 21 layers of resistive-plate chambers (RPCs) between iron plates of the flux return

Bakelite RPCs at BABAR

Glass RPCs at Belle

(better choice because of ageing effects)



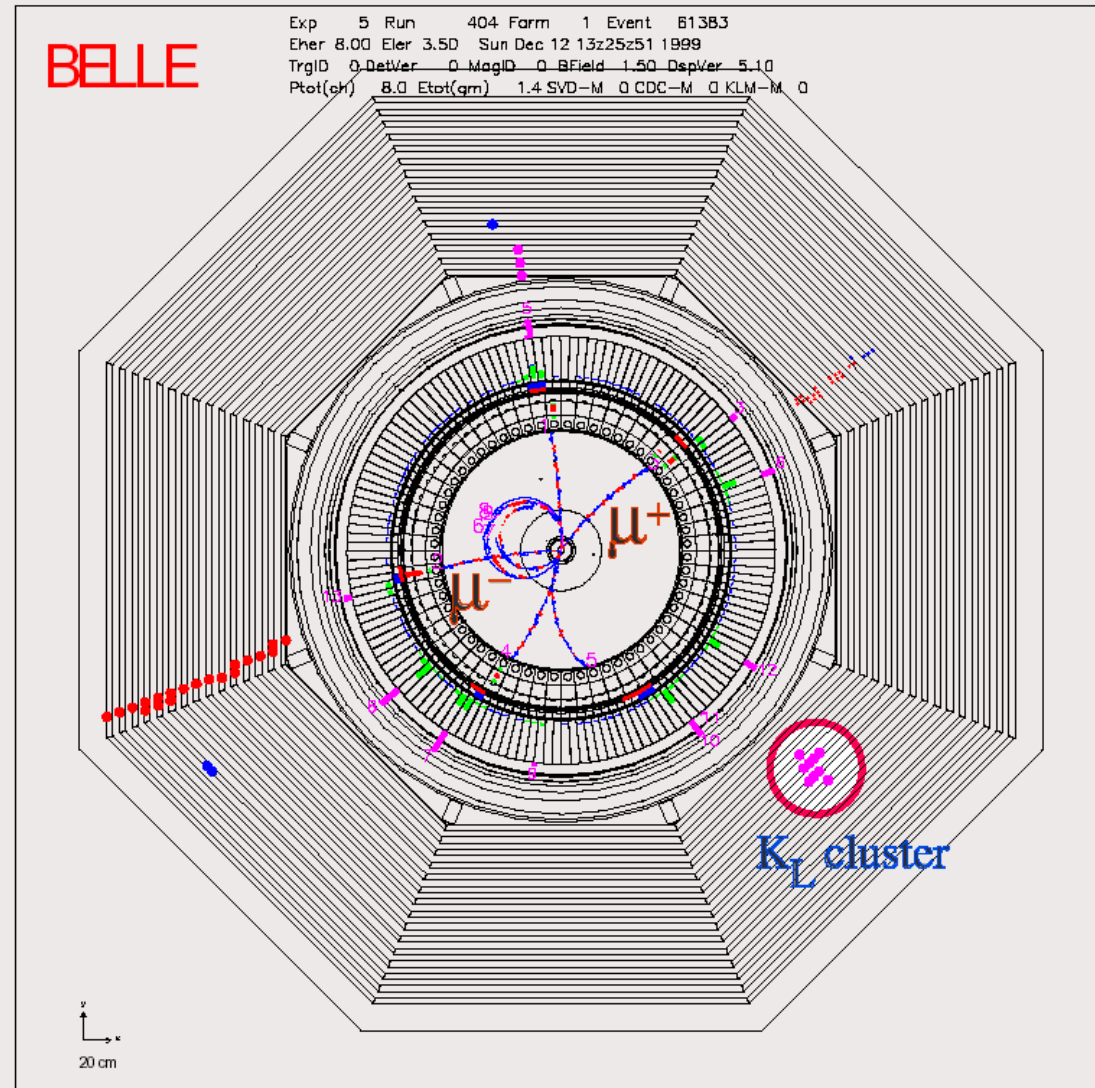
Muon and K_L detector

Example:

event with

- two muons and a
- K_L

and a pion that only partly penetrated



Muon identification performance

Muon identification: efficient for $p > 800$ MeV/c

efficiency

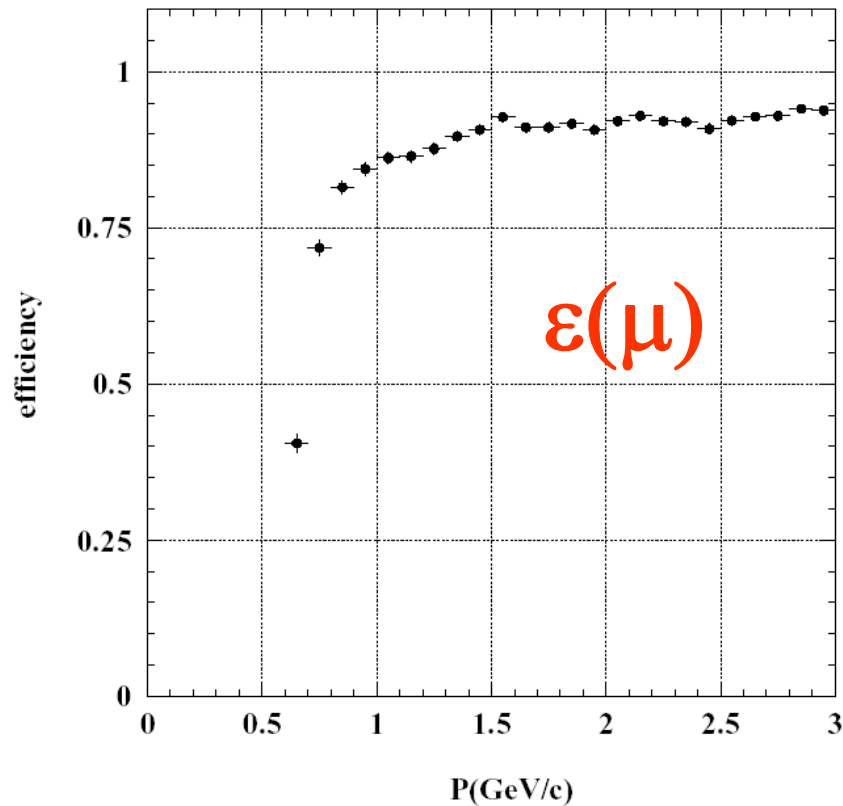


Fig. 109. Muon detection efficiency vs. momentum in KLM.

fake probability

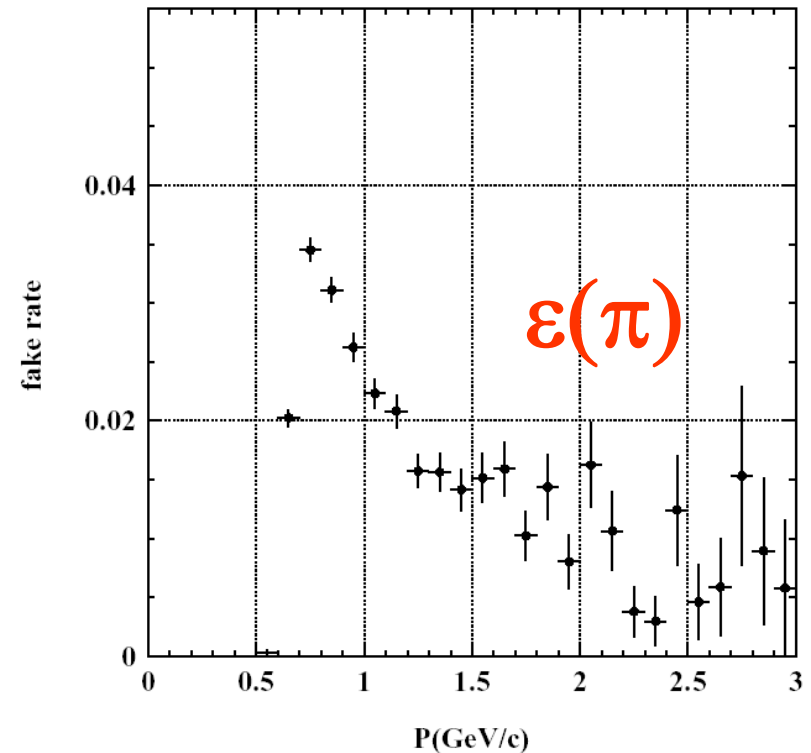
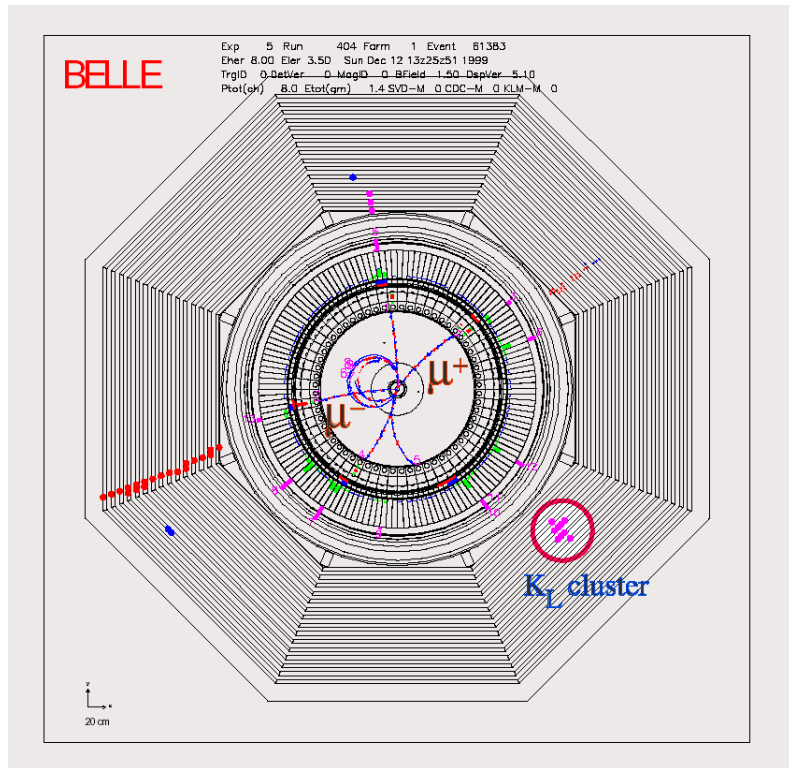


Fig. 110. Fake rate vs. momentum in KLM.

K_L detection performance



K_L detection: resolution in K_L direction

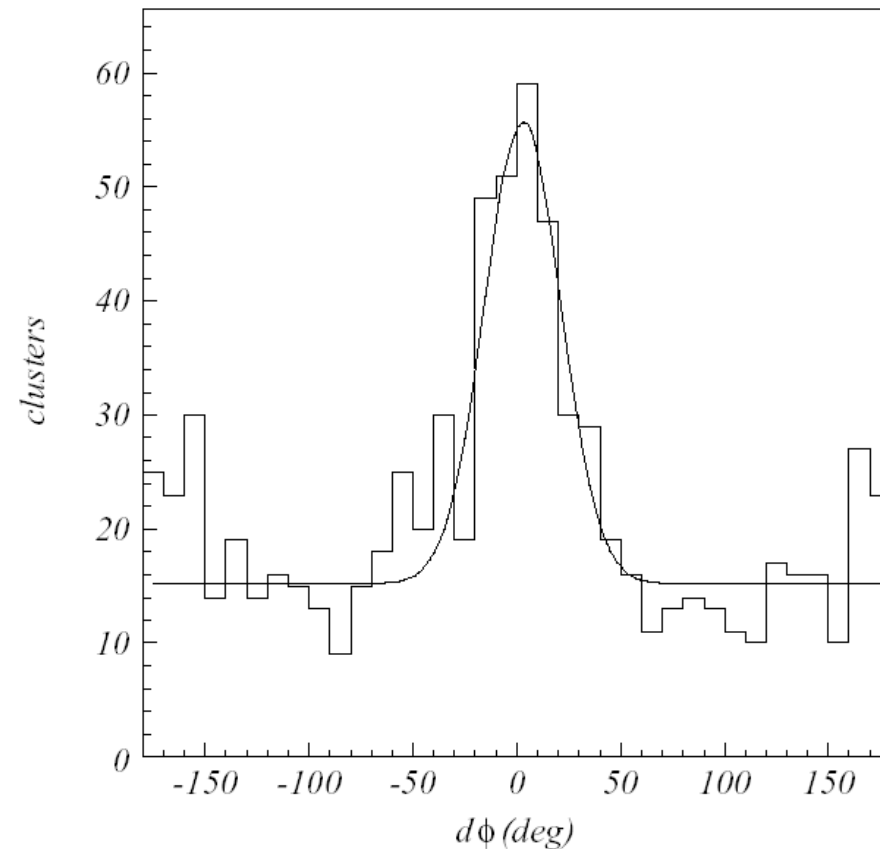
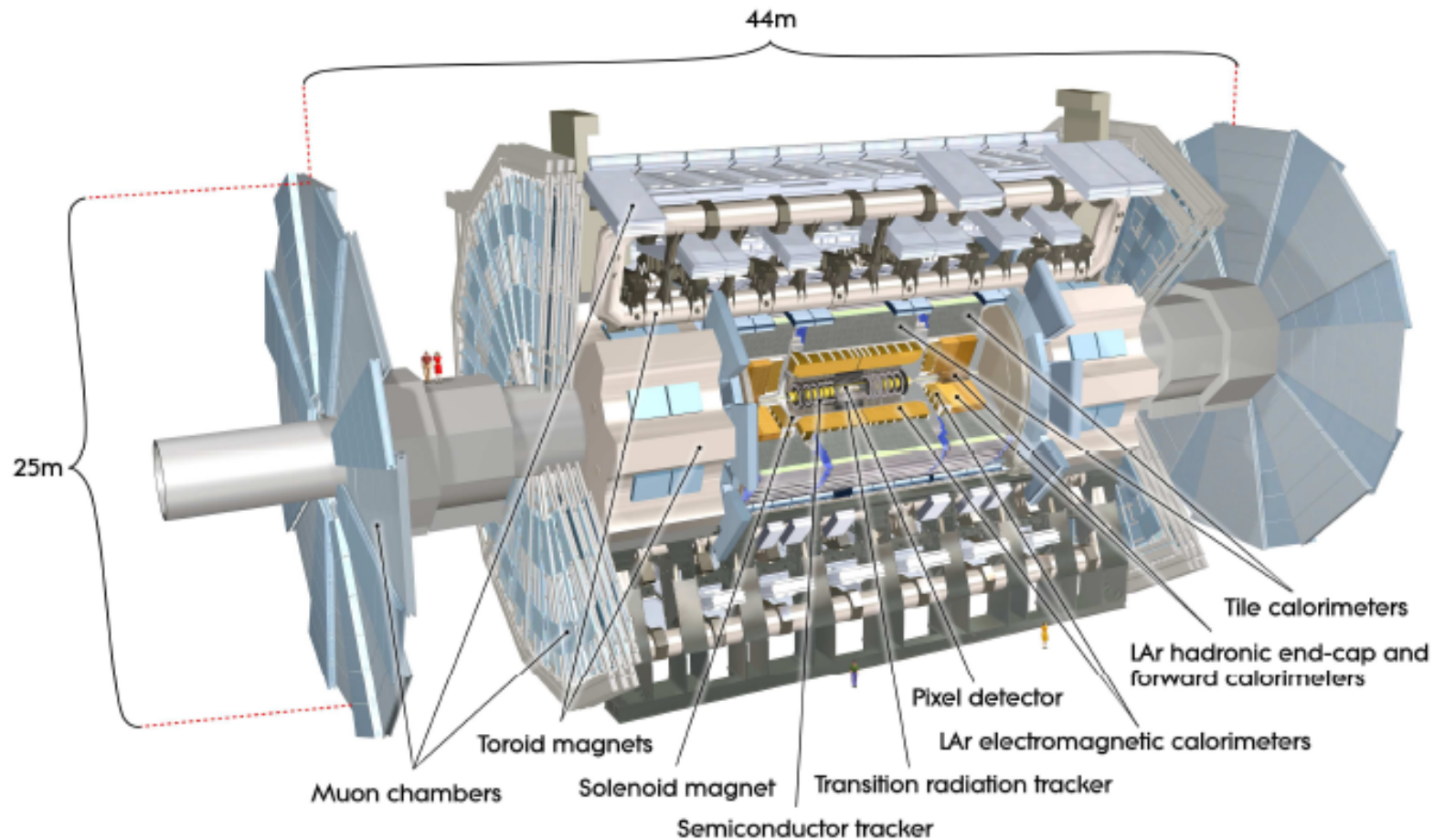
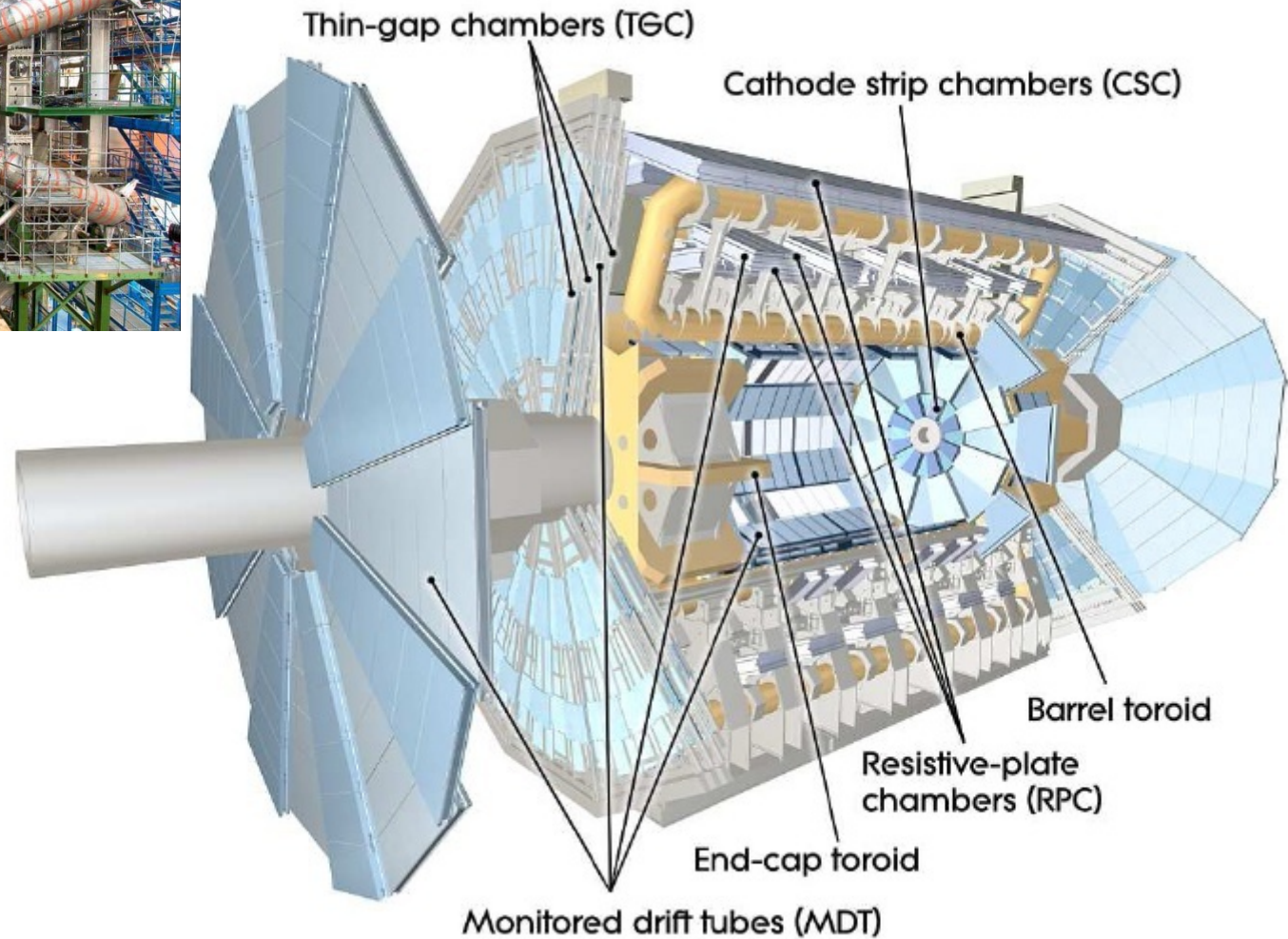
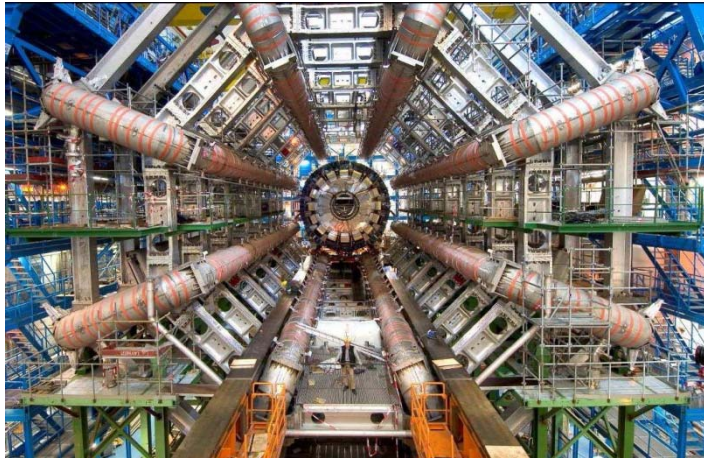


Fig.107. Difference between the neutral cluster and the direction of missing momentum in KLM.

Identification of muons at LHC - example ATLAS



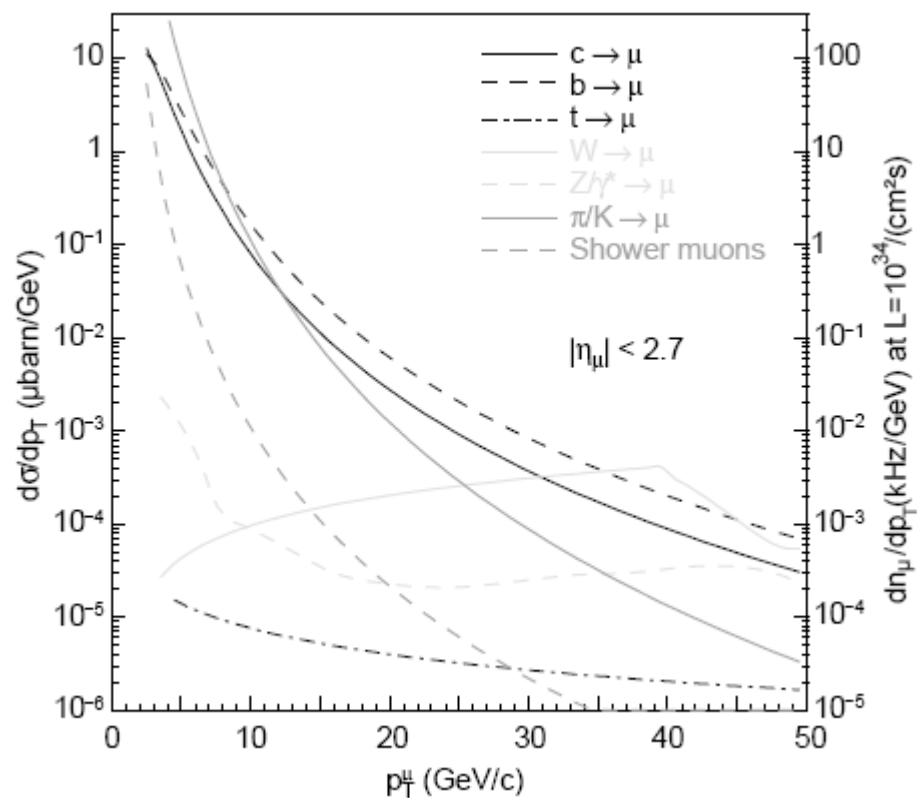
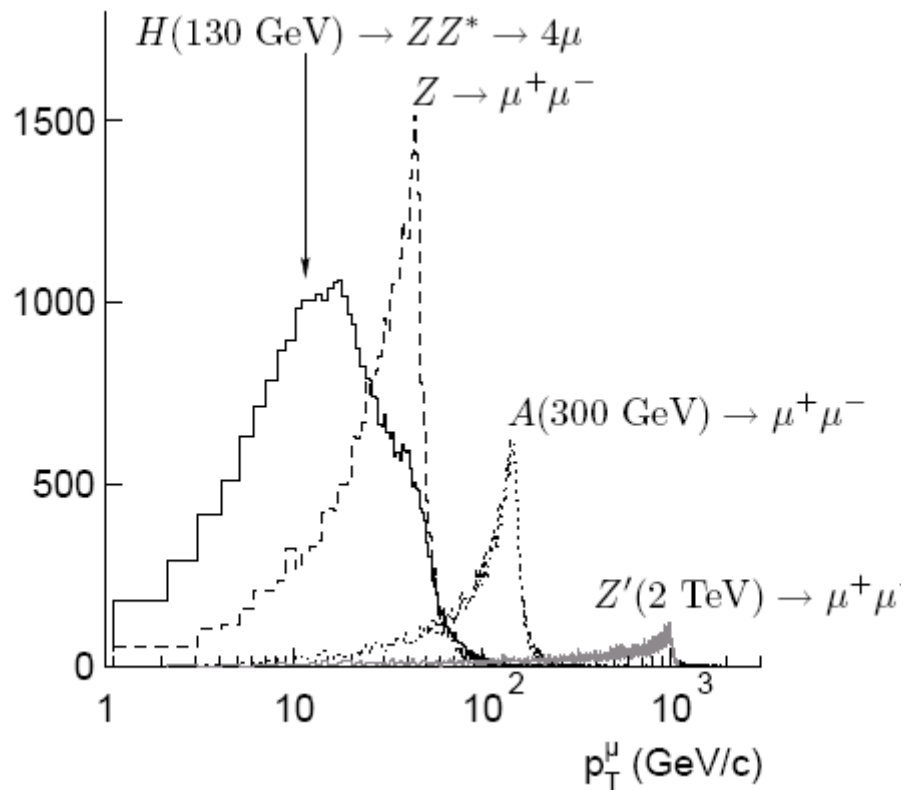
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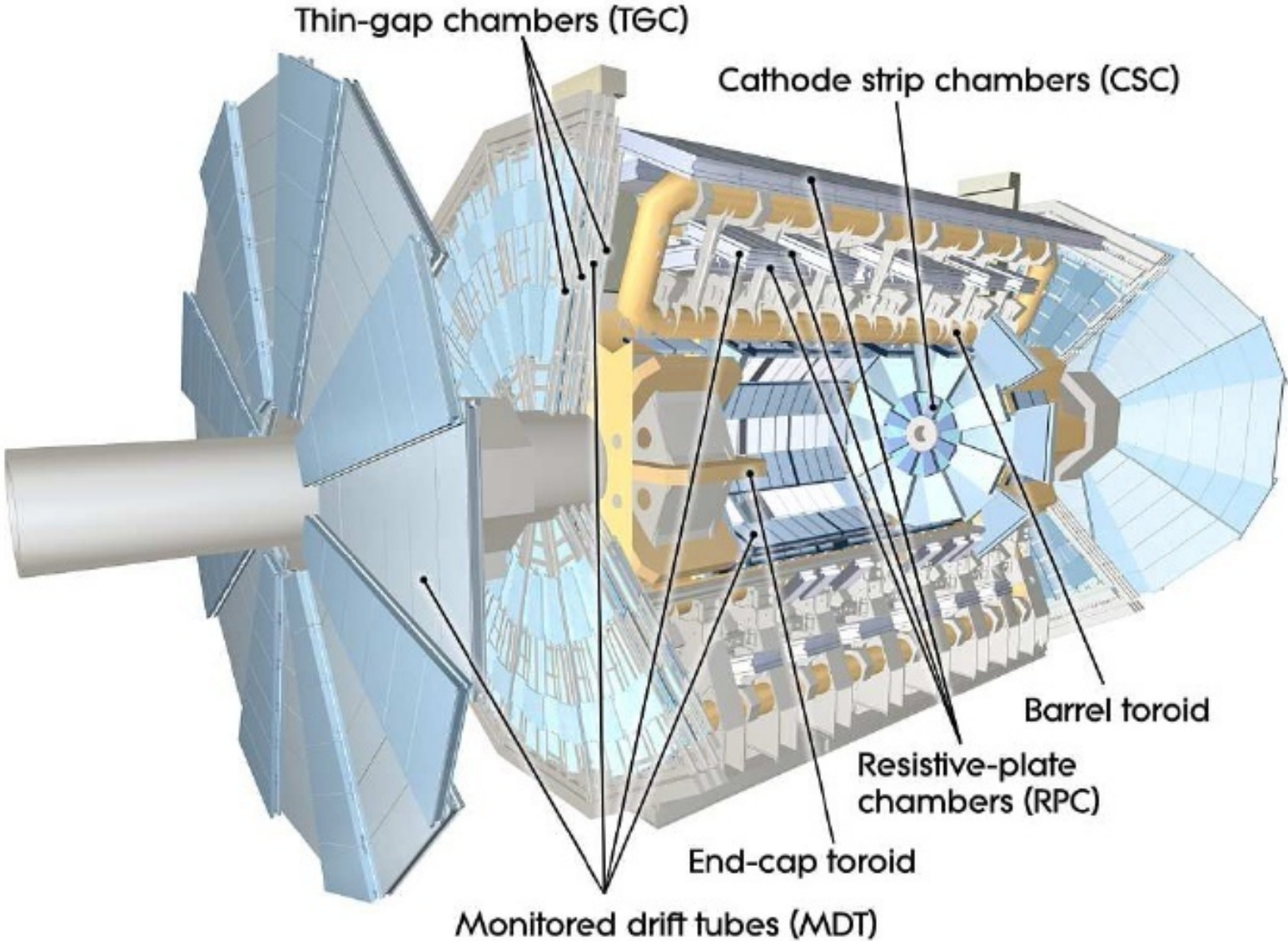
- Identify muons
- Measure their momentum

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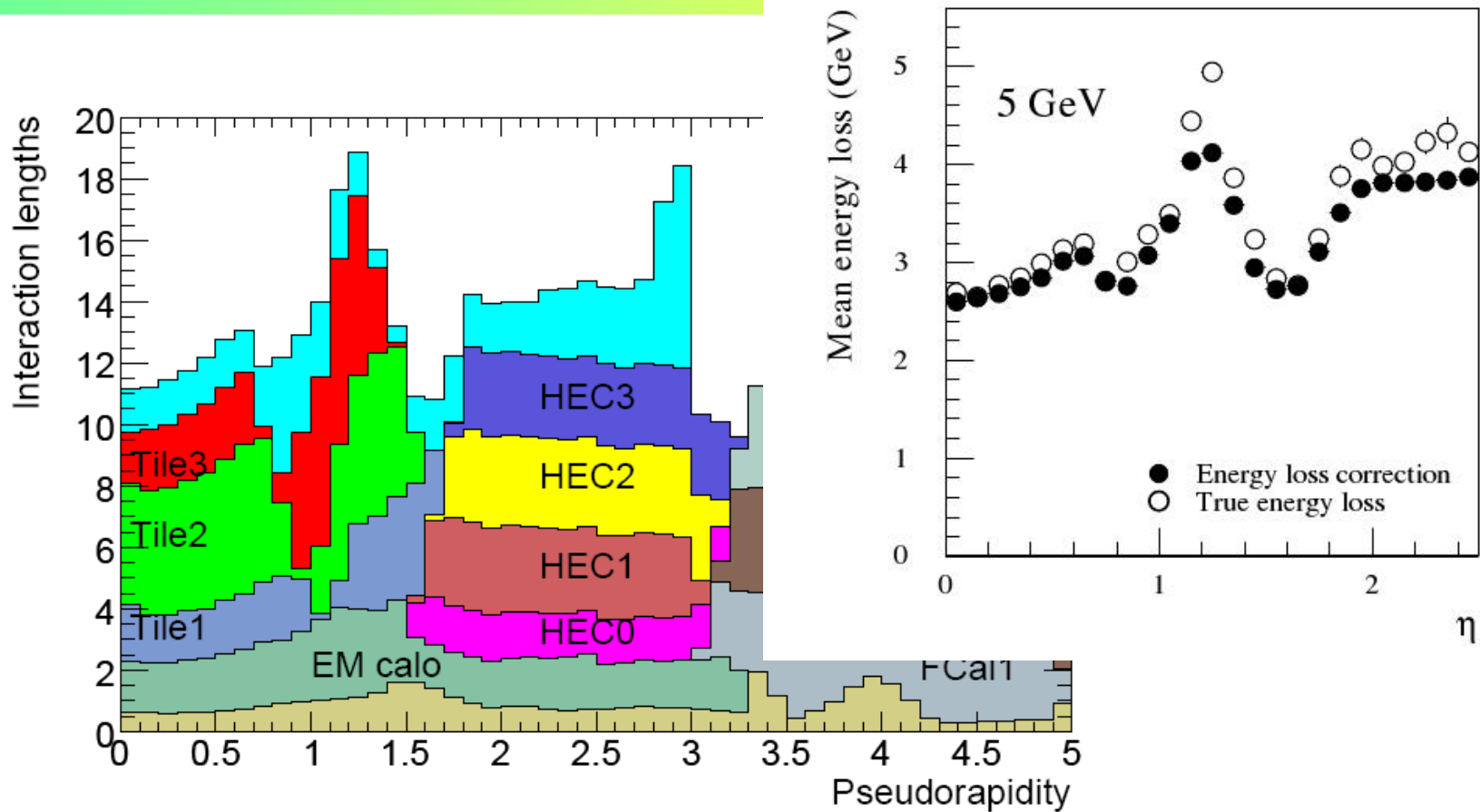
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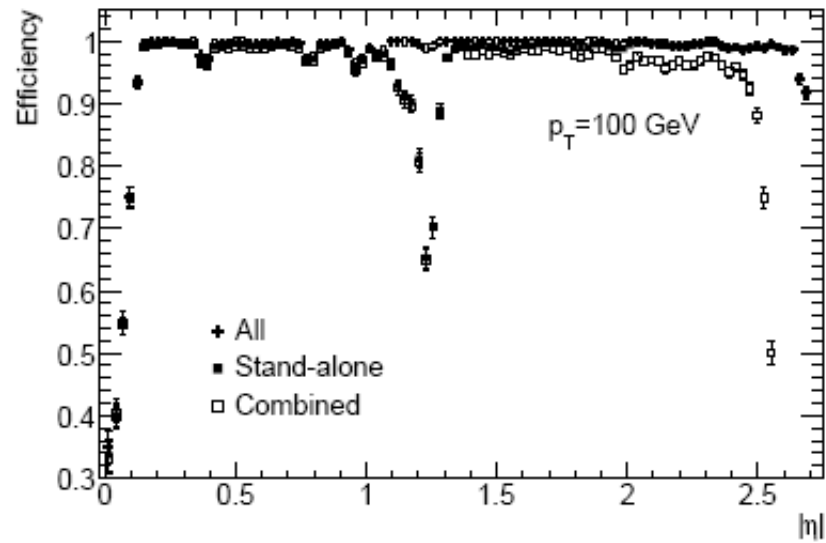


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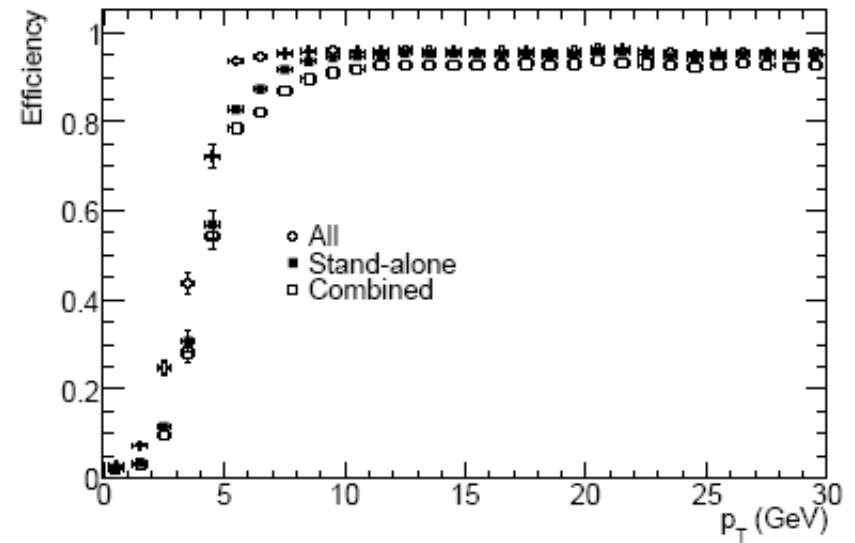


Material in front of the muon system

Muon identification efficiency



Efficiency for 100 GeV muons



Efficiency vs p_T

Muon fake probability

Sources of fakes:

-Hadrons: punch through negligible, >10 interaction lengths of material in front of the muon system (remain: muons from pion and kaon decays)

-Electromagnetic showers triggered by energetic muons traversing the calorimeters and support structures lead to low-momentum electron and positron tracks, an irreducible source of fake stand-alone muons. Most of them can be rejected by a cut on their transverse momentum ($p_T > 5$ GeV reduces the fake rate to a few percent per triggered event); can be almost entirely rejected by requiring a match of the muon-spectrometer track with an inner-detector track.

- Fake stand-alone muons from the background of thermal neutrons and low energy γ -rays in the muon spectrometer ("cavern background"). Again: $p_T > 5$ GeV reduces this below 2% per triggered event at 10^{33} cm^{-2} s^{-1} . Can be reduced by almost an order of magnitude by requiring a match of the muon-spectrometer track with an inner-detector track.

Summary

Particle identification is an essential part of several experiments, and has contributed substantially to our present understanding of elementary particles and their interactions, and will continue to have an important impact in searches for new physics.

A large variety of techniques has been developed for different kinematic regions and different particles, based on Cherenkov radiation, TOF, dE/dx and TR.

New concepts and detectors are being studied → this is a very active area of detector R+D.