



R&D status of FARICH option for PID.

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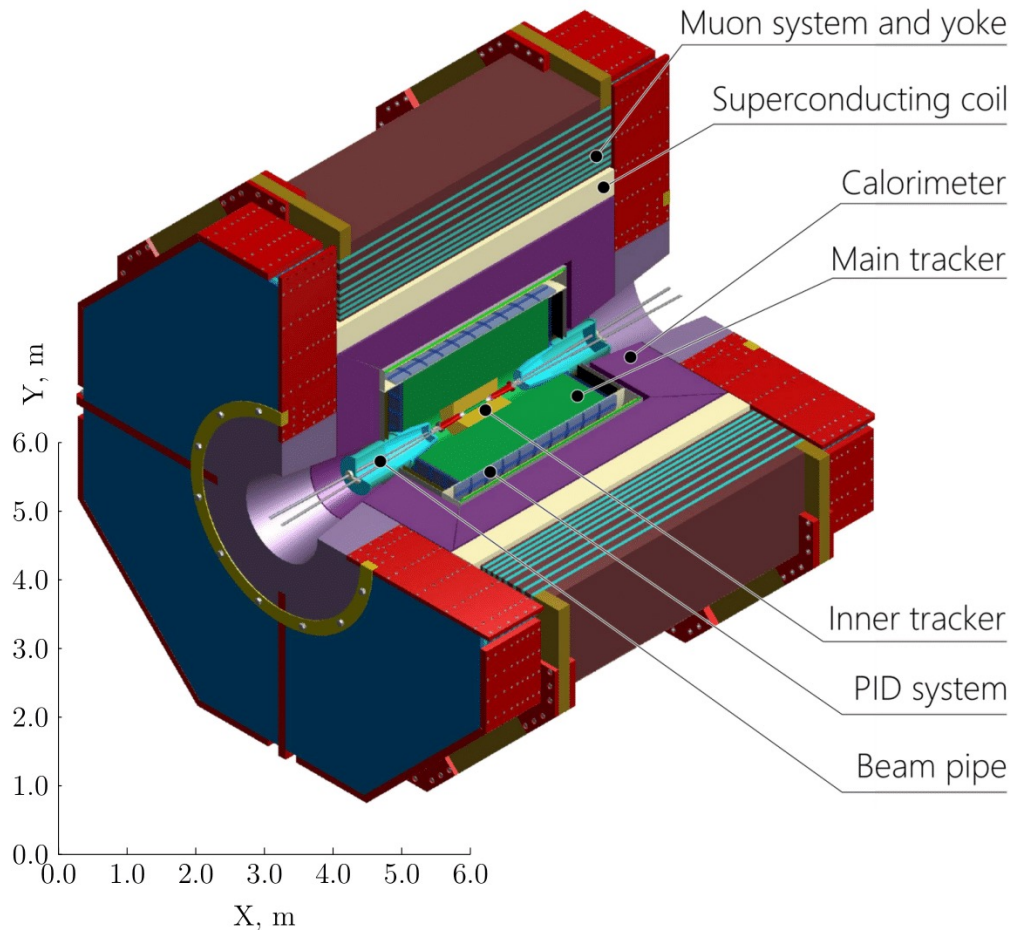
- **SCTF detector concept & Physics requirements for PID**
- **FARICH technique progress**
- **FARICH system preliminary design**
- **Summary**

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Detector concept



Momentum resolution $\sigma_p \leq 0.4\%$ at $1\text{ GeV}/c$

Very symmetric and hermetic

Able to detect soft tracks ($p_t \geq 50\text{ MeV}/c$)

- Inner tracker should be able to handle $104\text{ tracks}/\text{cm}^2\text{s}$

Very good PID: $\mu/\pi/K$

- π/K up to $3.5\text{ GeV}/c$, e.g. for $D\bar{D}$ mixing
- μ/π up to $1.5\text{ GeV}/c$, e.g. for $\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$ search
- dE/dx better than 7% for PID below $0.6\text{ GeV}/c$

Able to detect γ from 10 MeV to 3.5 GeV , good π^0/γ separation

- Calorimeter energy resolution $\sigma_E \leq 1.8\%$ at 1 GeV
- Calorimeter time resolution $\sigma_t \leq 1\text{ ns}$

Efficient “soft” trigger

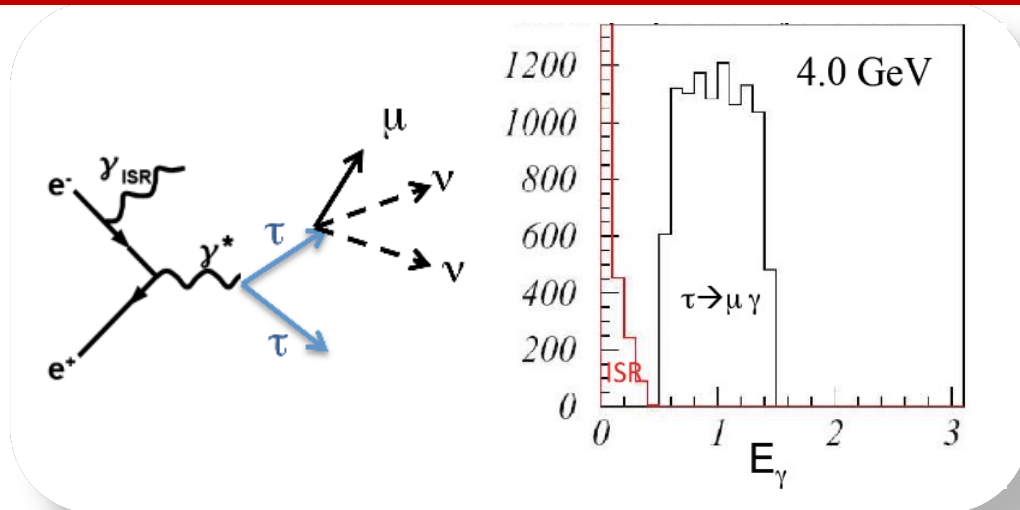
Ability to operate at high luminosity, up to 300 kHz at J/ψ

Few requirements for PID from physics program

LFV with τ

$$\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$$

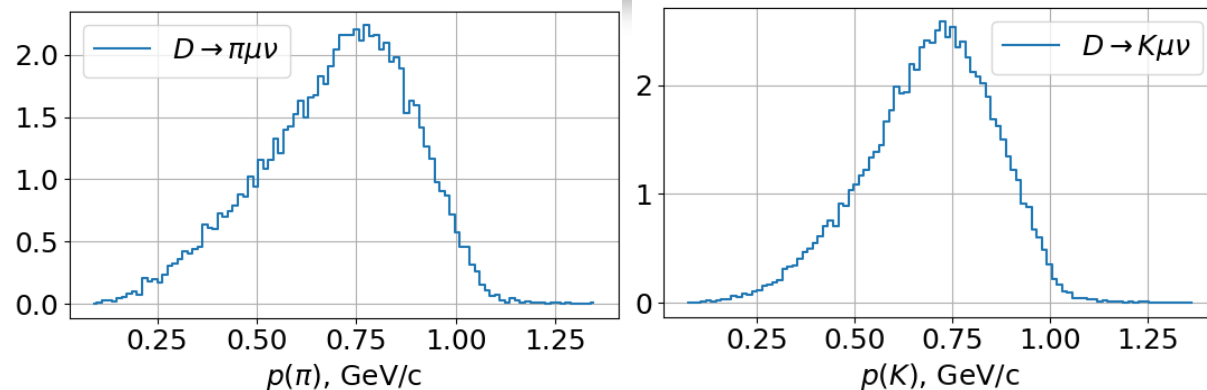
- Allowed in several BSM scenario, including SUSY, leptoquarks, technicolor, and extended Higgs models
- $\mathcal{O}(10^{-9})$ – reachable upper limit at SCT for the branching of $\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$
- Requires excellent π/μ separation from 0.5 to 1.5 GeV/c to suppress background $\tau \rightarrow \pi\pi^0\nu$



LU precise tests with D-mesons

$$D \rightarrow \mu\pi\nu, D \rightarrow K\pi\nu \dots$$

- Excellent π/μ & π/K separation from 0.2 to 1.2 GeV/c

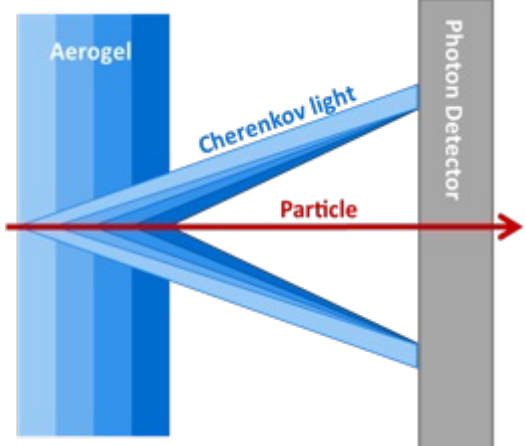


Hadron decays of D-mesons & τ -leptons

$$D \rightarrow K\pi\pi, D^0 \rightarrow K\pi \dots \tau \rightarrow \pi\pi^0\nu, \tau \rightarrow \pi\nu \text{ \& } \tau \rightarrow \pi\nu\gamma?, \tau \rightarrow K\pi^0\nu, \tau \rightarrow K\nu \text{ \& } \tau \rightarrow K\nu\gamma? \dots$$

- Excellent π/K separation from up to 3 GeV/c

FARICH technique: major MileStones



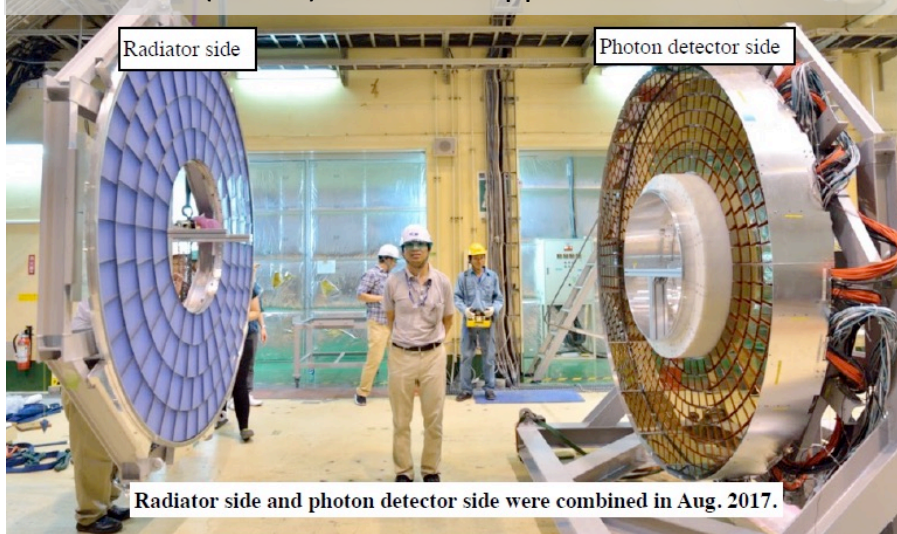
The first 4-layer monolithic sample

$n=1.030$	6.0mm
$n=1.027$	6.3mm
$n=1.024$	6.7mm
$n=1.022$	7.0mm

Increase N_{pe} due thickness increase without $\sigma_{\theta c}$ degradation

T.Iijima et al., NIM A548 (2005) 383 and A.Yu.Barnyakov et al., NIM A553 (2005) 70
2004÷2005

The Belle II (ARICH) is the first application of the method



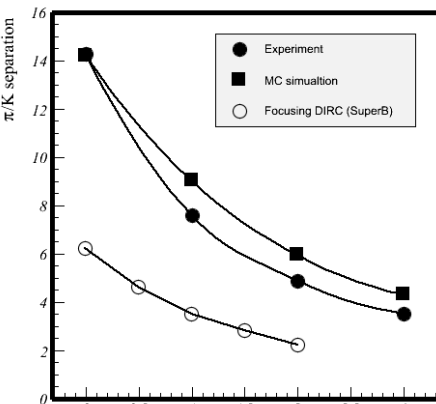
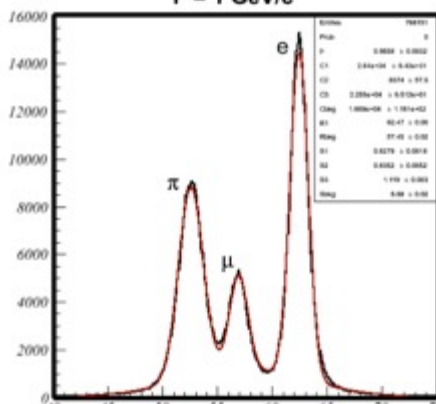
Radiator side Photon detector side

Radiator side and photon detector side were combined in Aug. 2017.

2017

Excellent PID capability were shown at CERN beam test in 2012

A.Yu. Barnyakov, et al., NIM A 732 (2013) 352

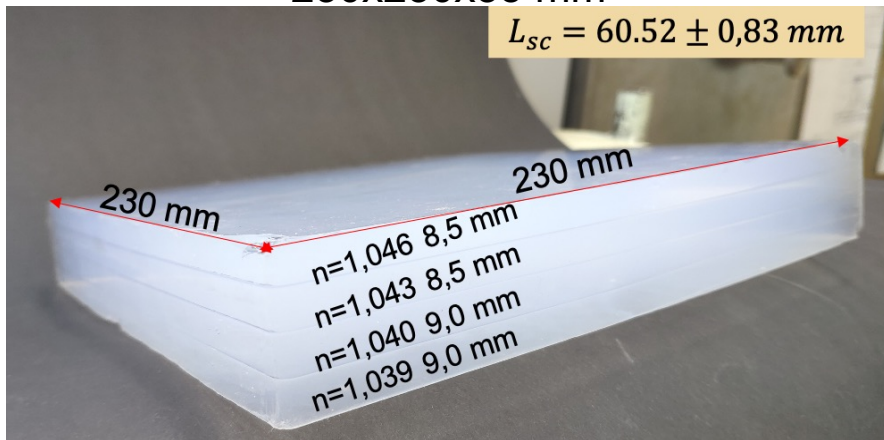



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Fig. 2024, 14-18 Jan. 2024, Hefei

Two 4-layer focusing aerogel blocks
230x230x35 mm

$L_{SC} = 60.52 \pm 0,83 \text{ mm}$

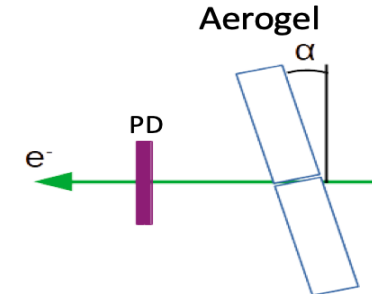
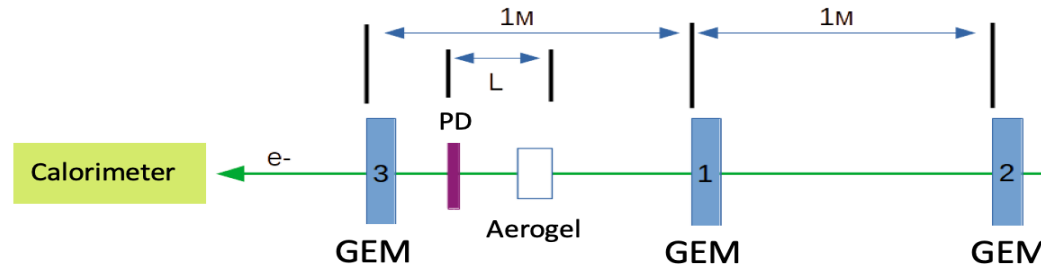


230 mm 230 mm

$n=1,046$ 8,5 mm
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 $n=1,040$ 9,0 mm
 $n=1,039$ 9,0 mm

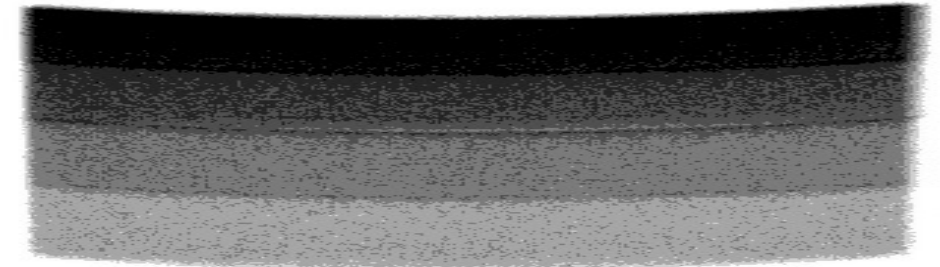
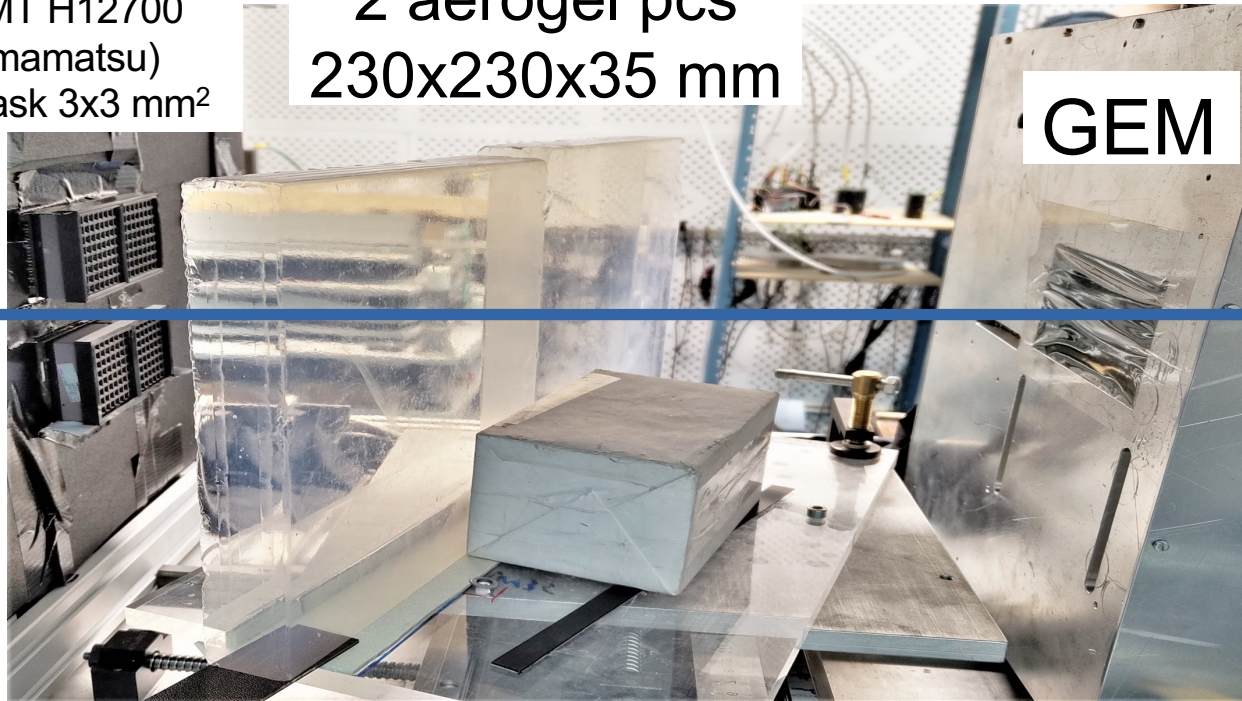
2022÷2023

The largest focusing aerogel samples produced in 2022

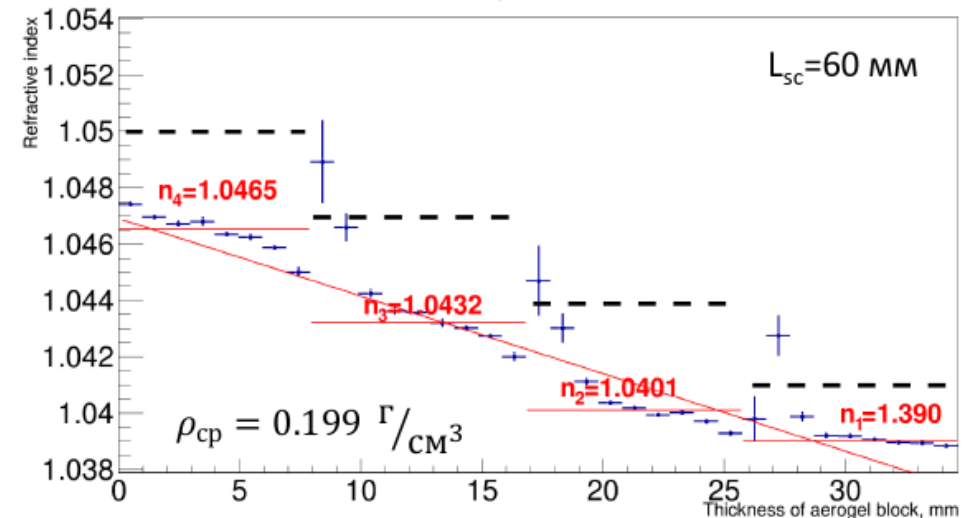


MaPMT H12700
(Hamamatsu)
with mask 3x3 mm²

2 aerogel pcs
230x230x35 mm



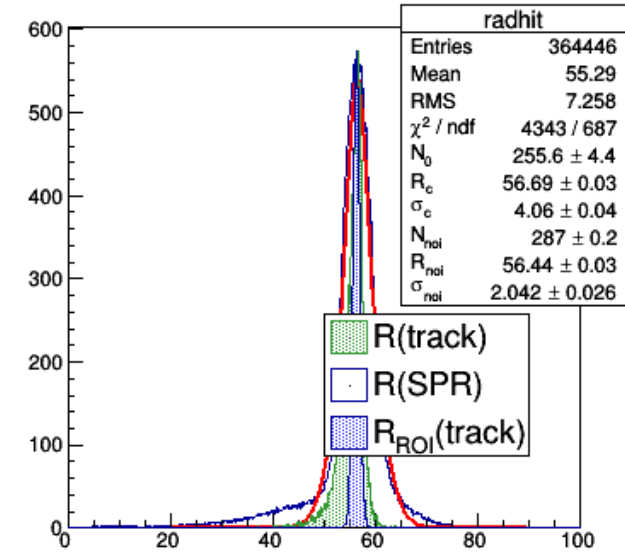
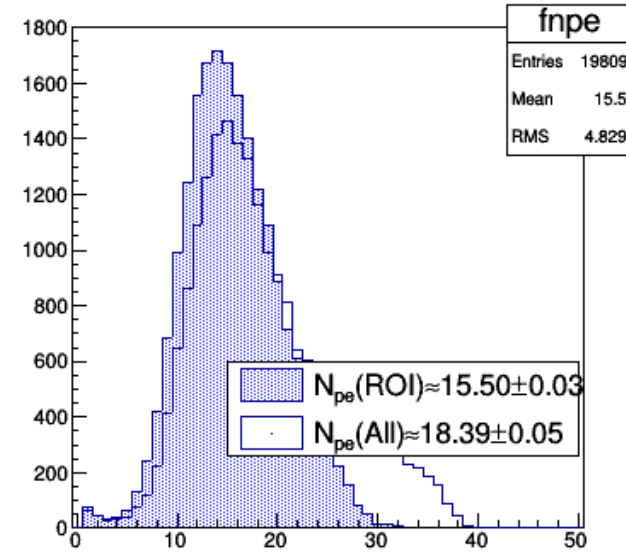
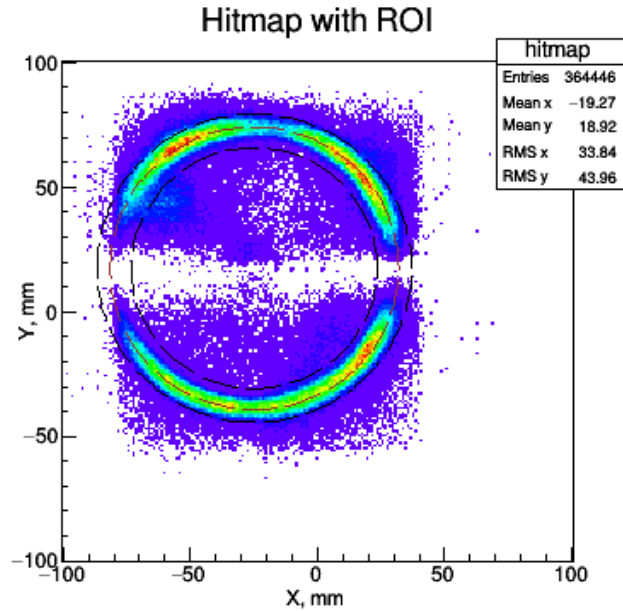
Refractive index profile is measured with help of digital X-ray setup at the BINP.



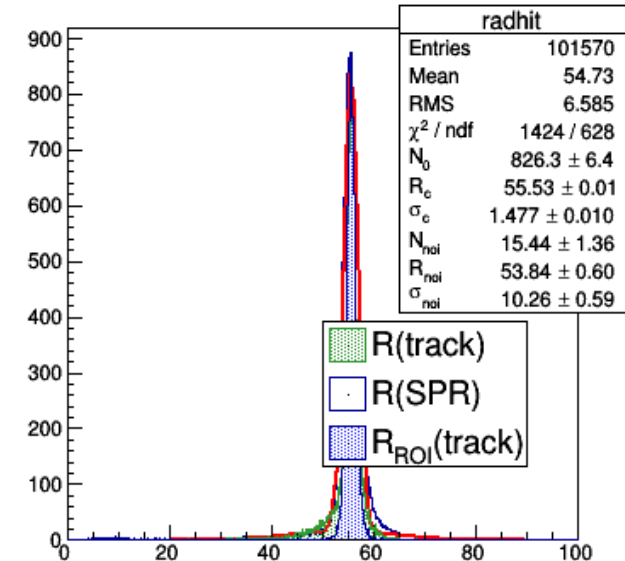
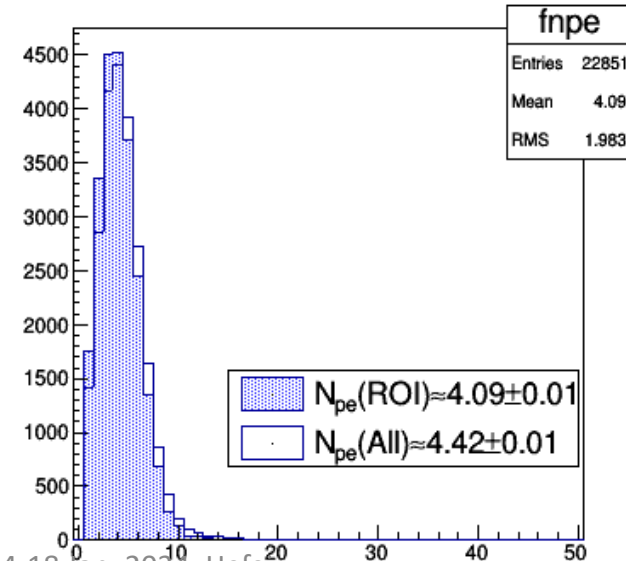
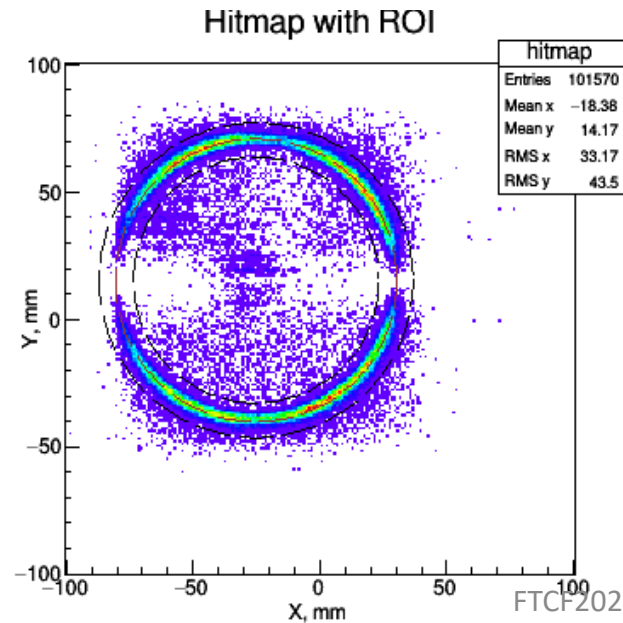
Single photon Cherenkov angle resolution is investigated with relativistic electrons at BINP beam test facilities "Extracted beams of VEPP-4M complex".

FARICH beam test 2023 results

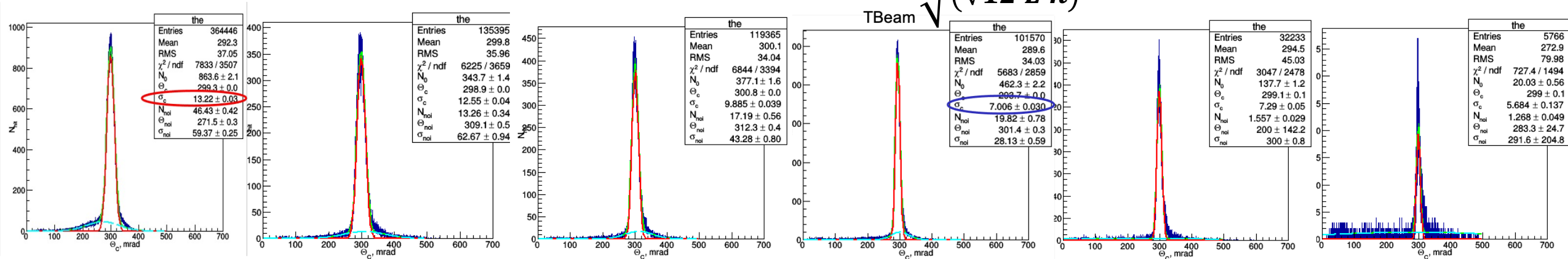
Pixel 6x6 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 80%



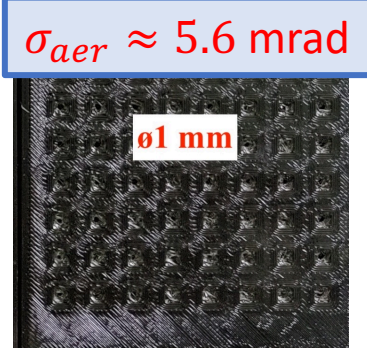
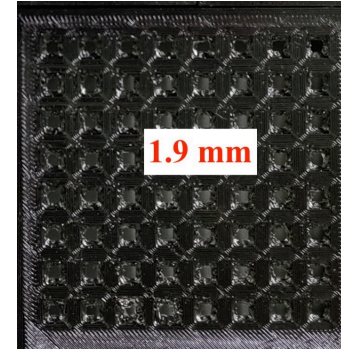
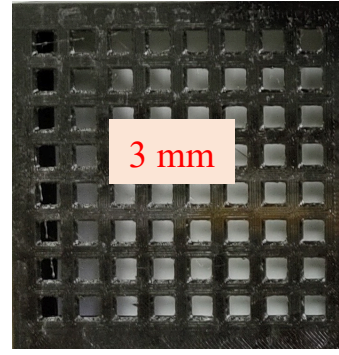
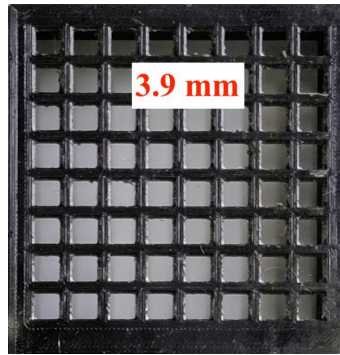
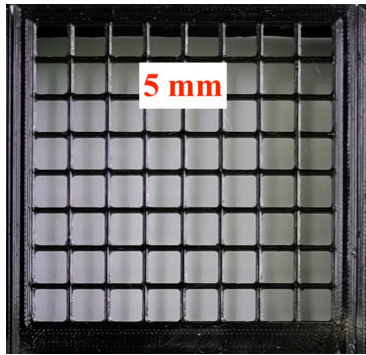
Pixel 3x3 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 20%



TBeam 2023 res.: $\sigma_{\theta_c}^{1pe} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta_{pix}^2}{(\sqrt{12} \cdot L \cdot n)^2} + \sigma_{aer}^2 + \sigma_{trk}^2}$



No mask:
6x6 mm



04/23: L≈200 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 80%
 $N_{pe} \approx 16$

12/23: L≈180 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 56%
 $N_{pe} \approx 12$

12/23: L≈180 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 36%
 $N_{pe} \approx 8$

04/23: L≈200 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 20%
 $N_{pe} \approx 4$

12/23: L≈180 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 9%
 $N_{pe} \approx 2$

12/23: L≈180 mm
Geom.Eff. ~ 2%
 $N_{pe} \approx 1$

π/K : - 5.5 GeV/c
 μ/π : - 1.2 GeV/c

6 GeV/c
1.4 GeV/c

6.5 GeV/c
1.5 GeV/c

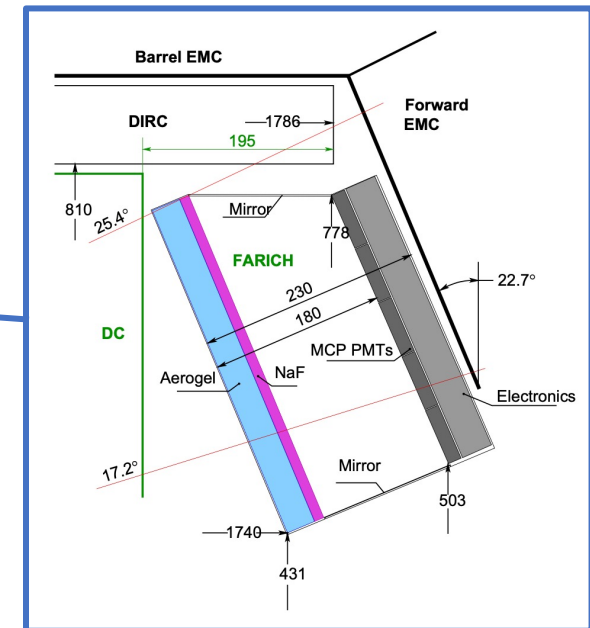
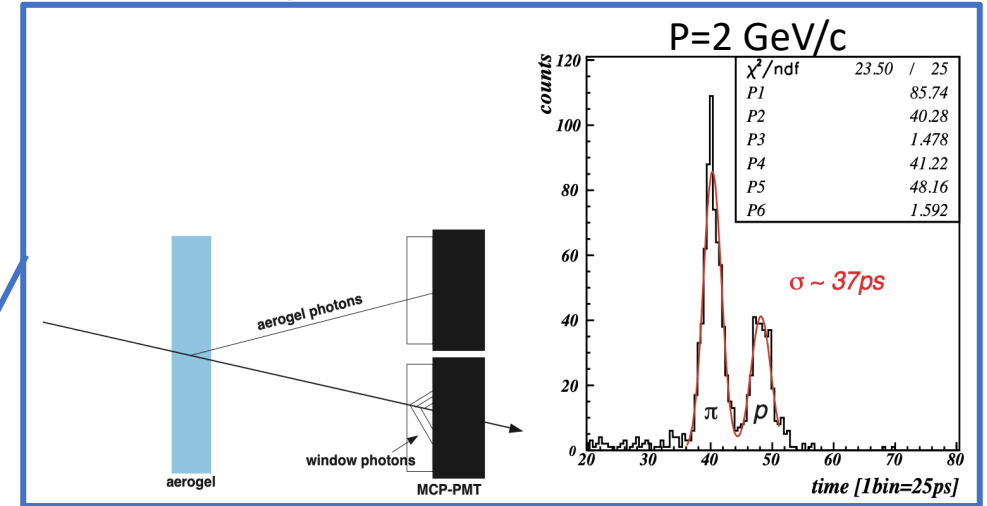
8.0 GeV/c
1.6 GeV/c

8.0 GeV/c
1.6 GeV/c

8.5 GeV/c
1.7 GeV/c

RICH with dual radiators is not very new idea!

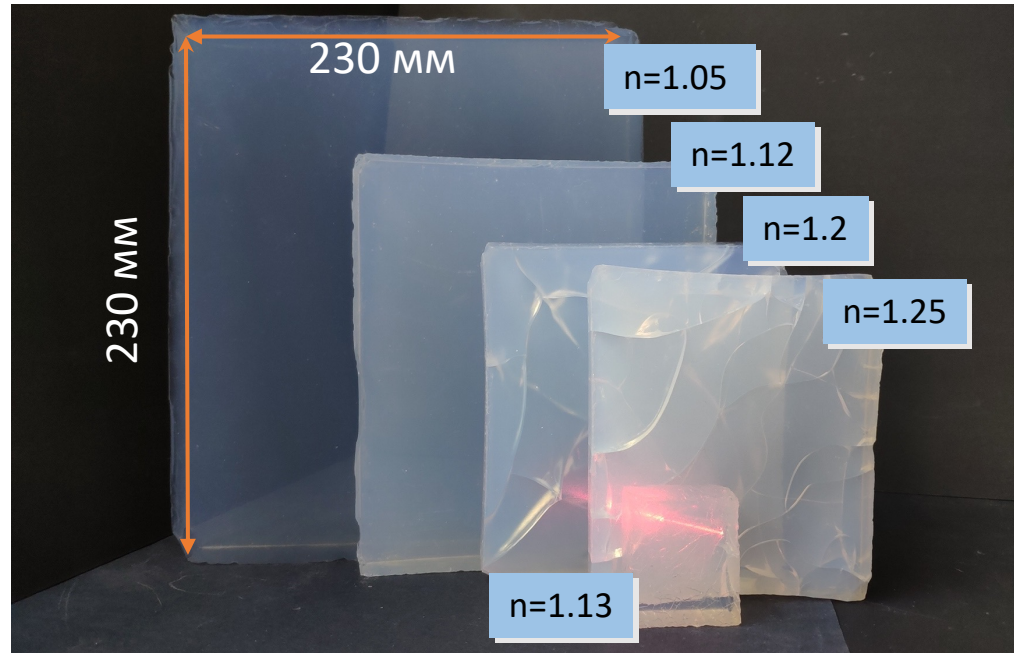
- Liquid + Gas:
 - RICH – DELPHI
 - CRID – SLD
 - C_6F_{12} ($n=1.278@190\text{nm}$) + C_5F_{10} ($n=1.00174@190\text{nm}$)
- Aerogel + Gas:
 - HERMES
 - RICH1 – LHCb
 - Aer. ($n=1.03@400\text{nm}$) + C_4F_{10} ($n=1.00137@400\text{nm}$)
- Aerogel + Crystal:
 - RICH+ToF – SuperB:
 - Aer. ($n=1.05@400\text{nm}$) + Quartz ($n=1.47@400\text{nm}$)
 - FARICH – SuperB:
 - 3-layer aer. $n_{\text{max}}=1.07@400\text{nm}$ + NaF ($n=1.33@400\text{nm}$)
- Aerogel + Aerogel:
 - FARICH – SCTF:
 - 4-layer aer. $n_{\text{max}}=1.05@400\text{nm}$ + aer ($n=1.12@400\text{nm}$)



Aerogel is material with easy tunnable refractive index!

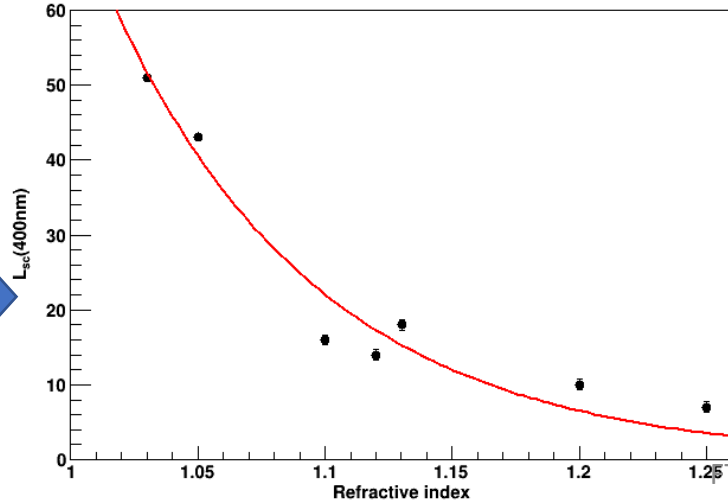
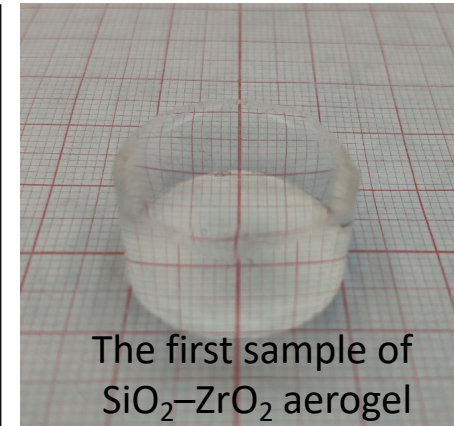
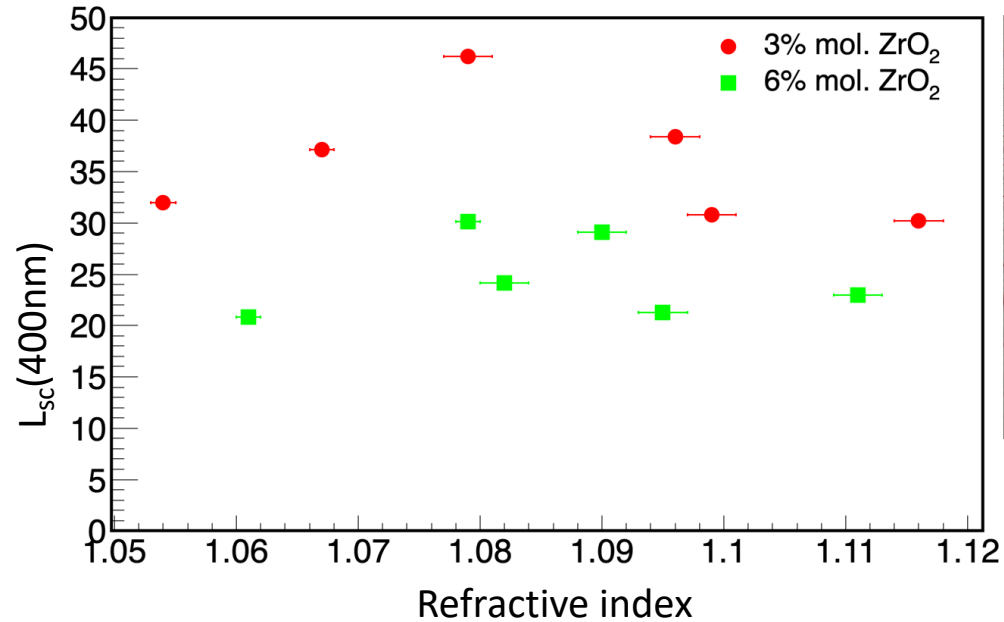
Aerogels with high optical density

Sintering approach



ZrO₂ addition approach

The scattering length of aerogels with zirconium

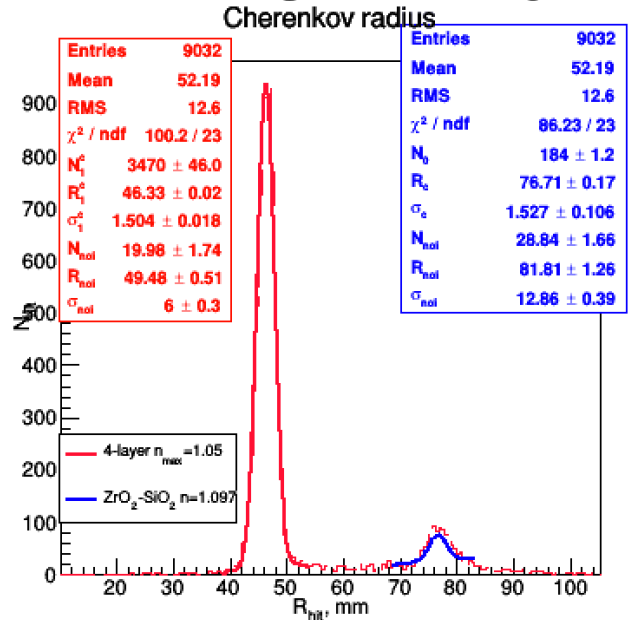
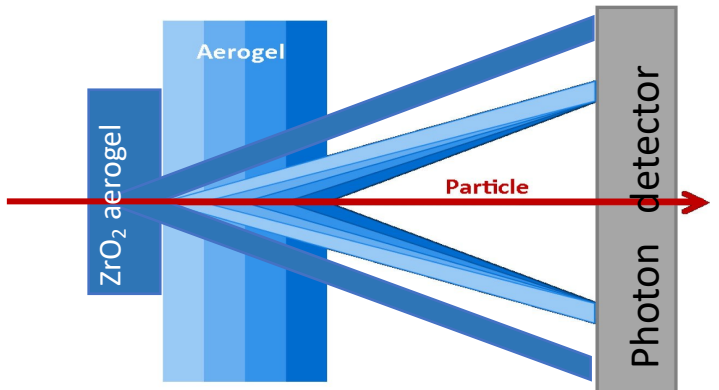


The addition of small amount (0.03÷0.06 mol) of ZrO₂ in SiO₂ based aerogel allow us to produce highly transparent aerogels with high optical density:

- Refractive index up to n=1.12
- Rayleigh light scattering length L_{sc}(400nm) up to 30 mm

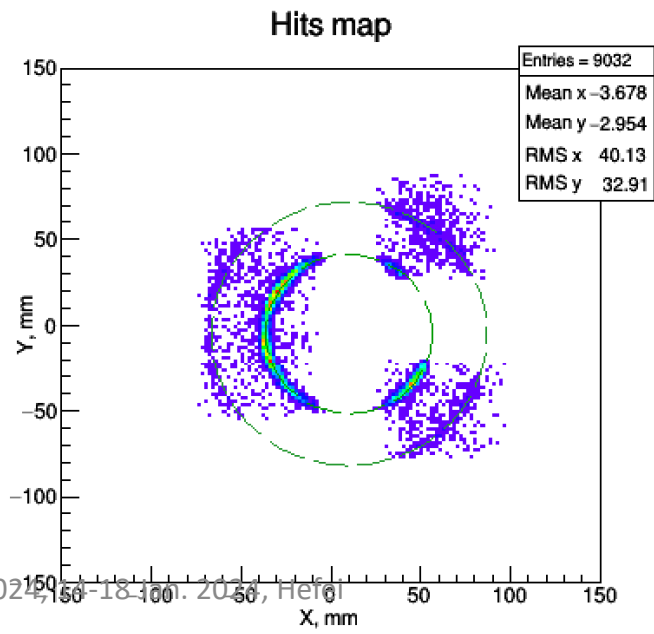
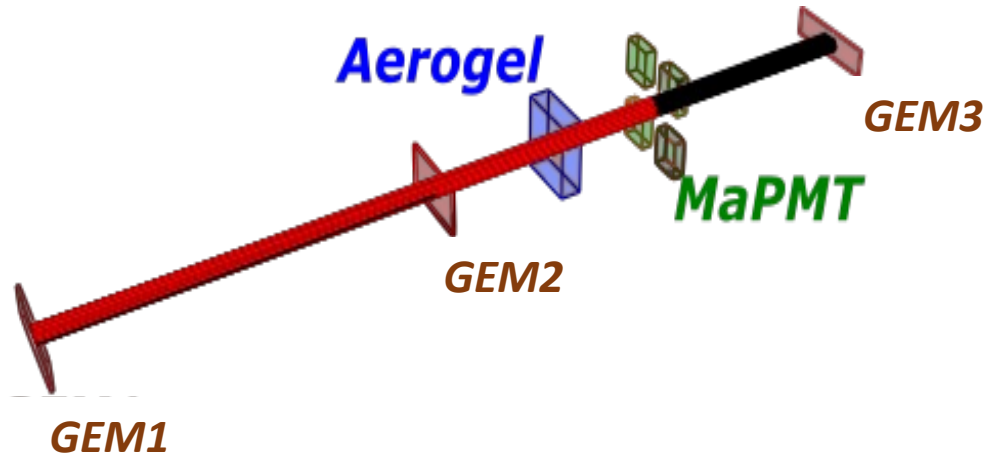
The main flaw of this approach

Beam tests results of FARICH with dual radiator



ZrO₂-SiO₂ aerogel:
 Thickness 12 mm & ϕ 20 mm;
 $L_{SC}(400nm)=21\pm0.5$ mm;

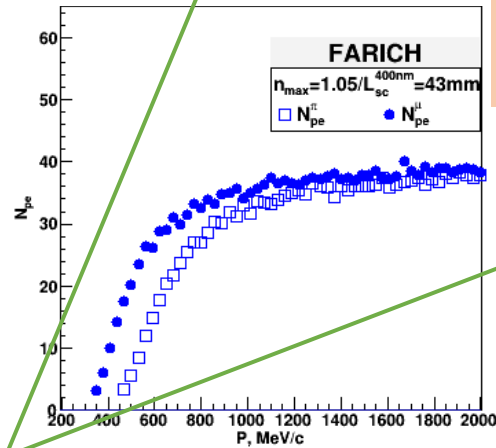
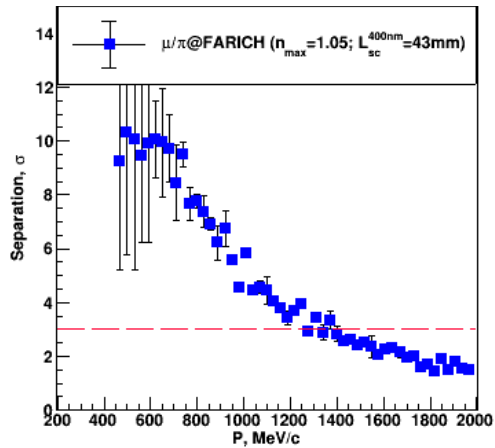
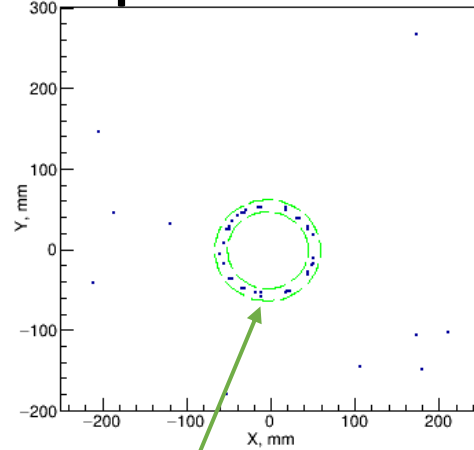
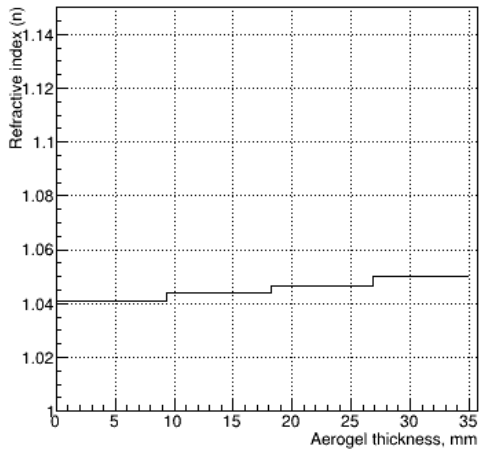
4-layer SiO₂ aerogel:
 100x100x35 mm;
 $L_{SC}(400nm)=37\pm0.3$ mm;



Photon detector
 4 MaPMT H12700 (Hamamatsu);
 256 pixels with 3x3 mm size;

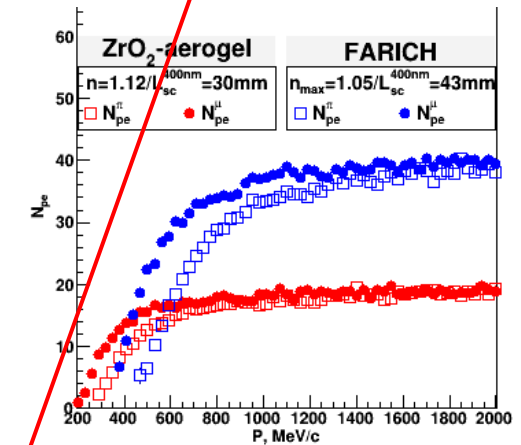
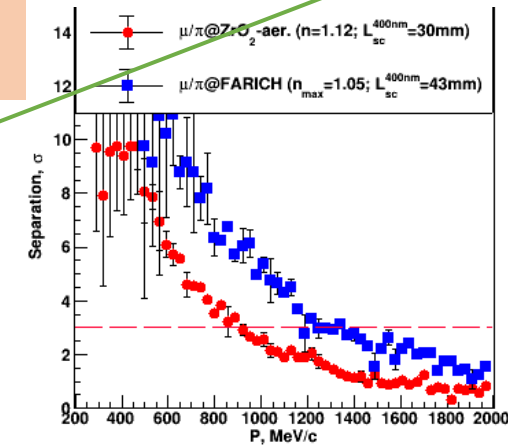
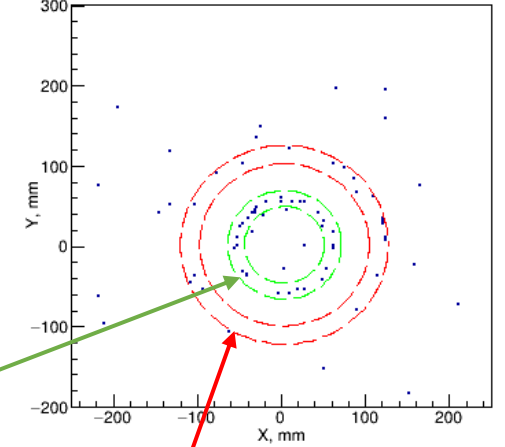
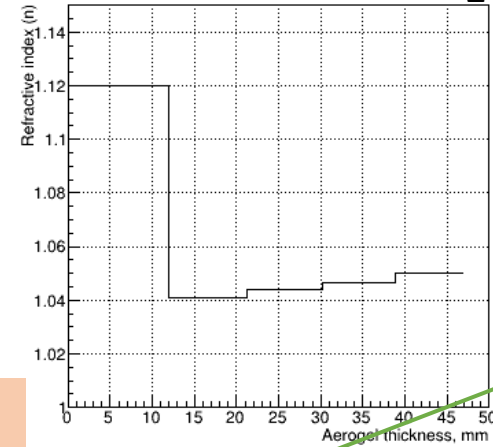
μ/π -separation via G4 simulation

FARICH: "ideal" n profile



$$N_\sigma = \frac{\bar{R}_C^\mu - \bar{R}_C^\pi}{(\sigma_R^\pi + \sigma_R^\mu)/2}$$

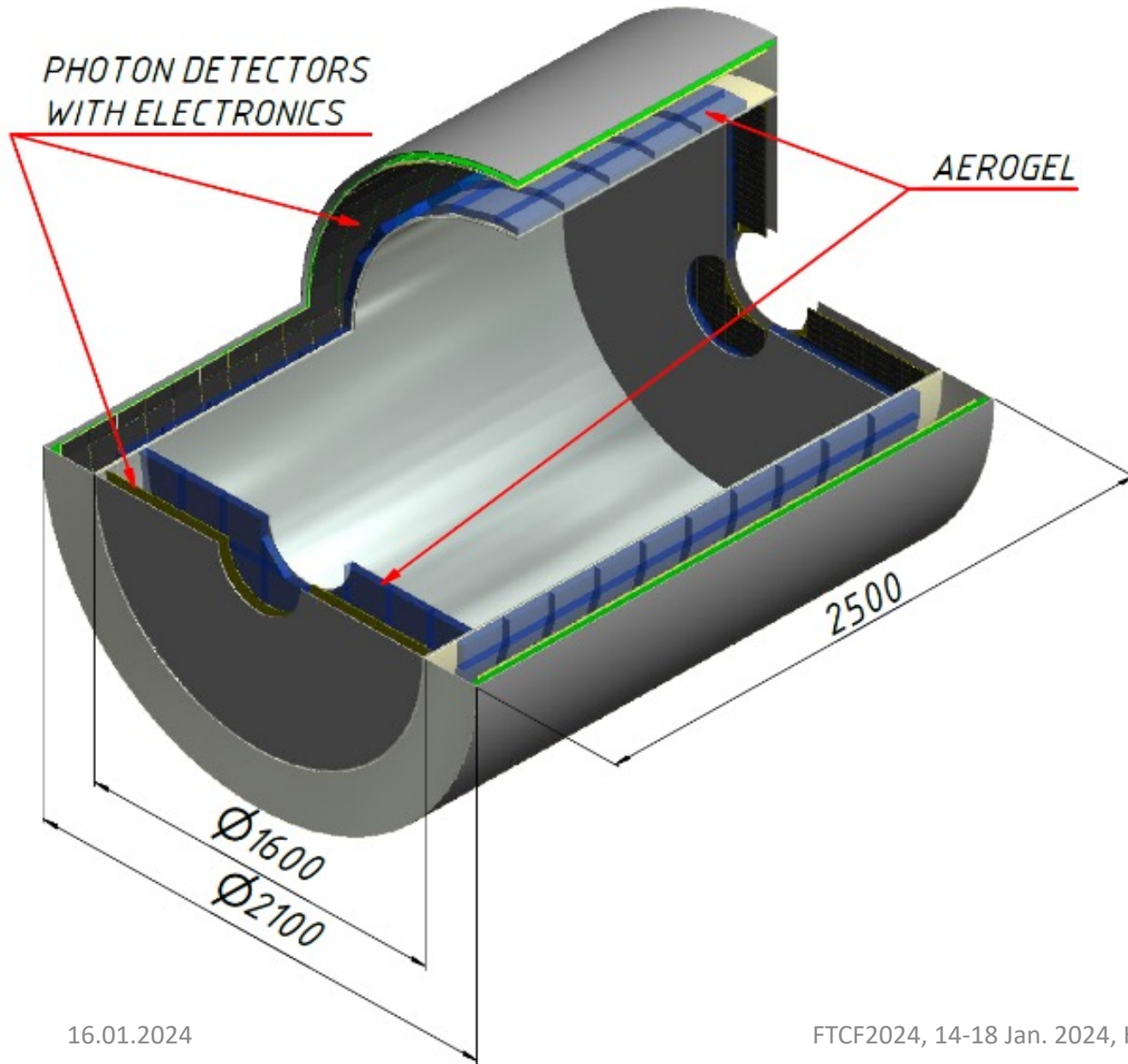
FARICH ("ideal")+ZrO₂-aer. ($n = 1.12/12$ mm)



$$(L_f - t_{Zr} - t_{Fa}) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{(n_{Fa}^{min2} - 1) - \frac{m^2}{p^2}}}{\sqrt{\frac{m^2}{p^2} + 1}} \leq R_{Fa} \leq (L_f - t_{Zr}) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{(n_{Fa}^{max2} - 1) - \frac{m^2}{p^2}}}{\sqrt{(n_{Fa}^{max2} - 2) + \frac{m^2}{p^2}}}$$

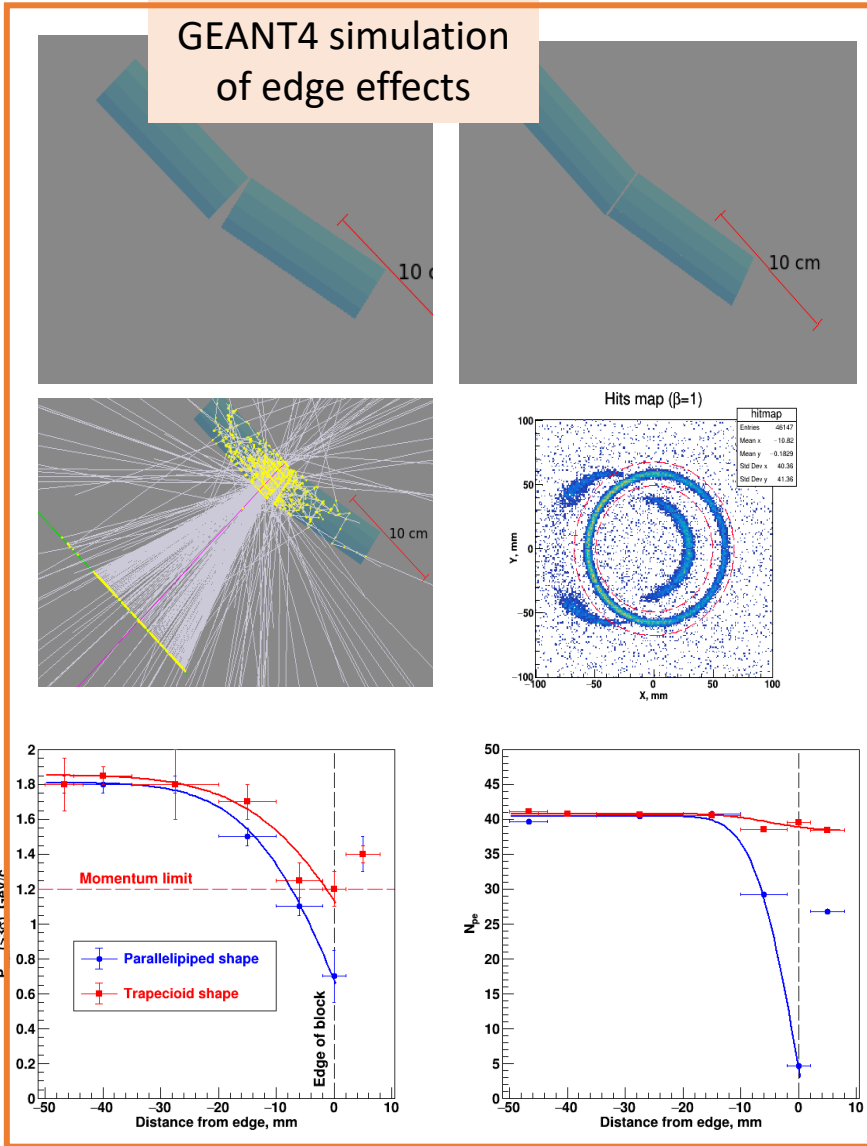
$$(L_f - t_{Zr}) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{(n_{Zr}^2 - 1) - \frac{m^2}{p^2}}}{\sqrt{\frac{m^2}{p^2} + 1}} \leq R_{Zr} \leq L_f \cdot \frac{\sqrt{(n_{Zr}^2 - 1) - \frac{m^2}{p^2}}}{\sqrt{(n_{Zr}^2 - 2) + \frac{m^2}{p^2}}}$$

FARICH system concept for the SCTF

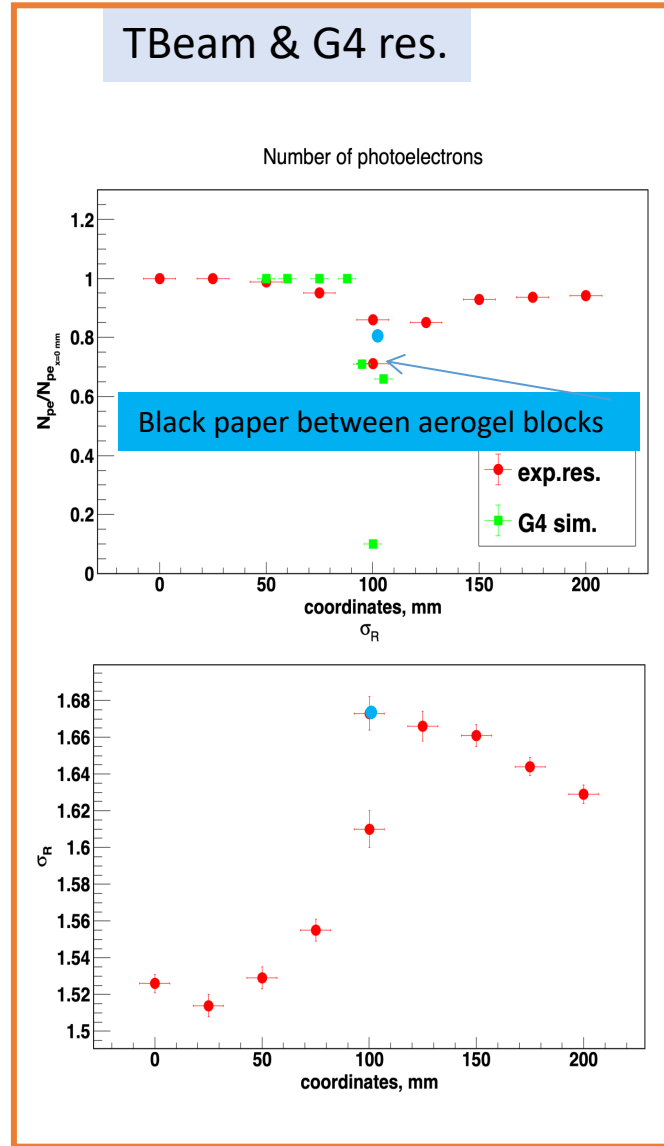


- Proximity focusing RICH
- 4-layer focusing aerogel
 - $n_{\max} = 1.05$ (1.07?), total thickness 35 mm
 - $S_{aer} = 15 \text{ m}^2$
- 21 m^2 – total area of photon detectors
 - SiPMs – barrel part (16 m^2)
 - MCP-PMT – endcap parts (4 m^2)
- $\sim 10^6$ pixels $3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$ with pitch 4 mm

Aerogel for SCTF-FARICH system

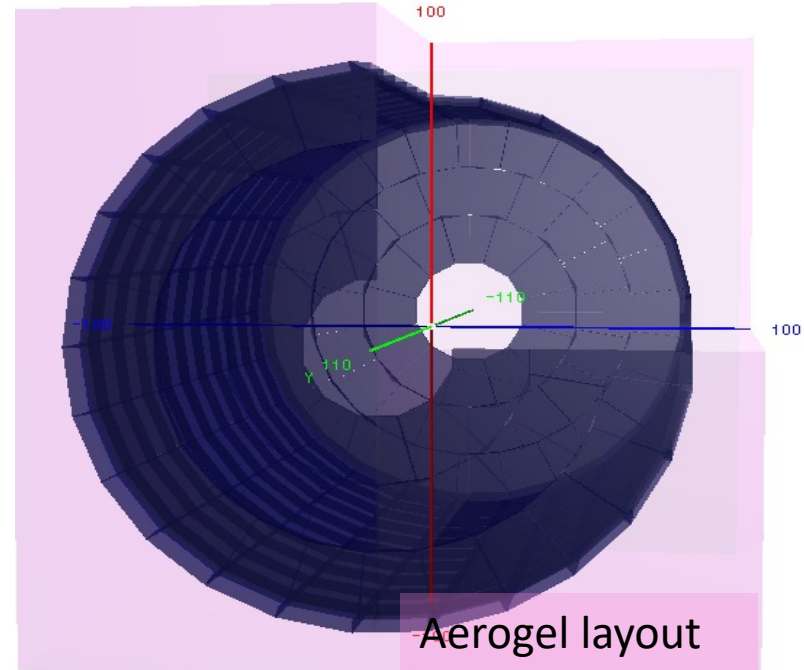


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SHAPE	Δ , mm	Aerogel size, mm			
		200	100	75	50
Parall.	6	0.86	0.74	0.62	0.5
Trap.	1	0.96	0.94	0.92	0.9



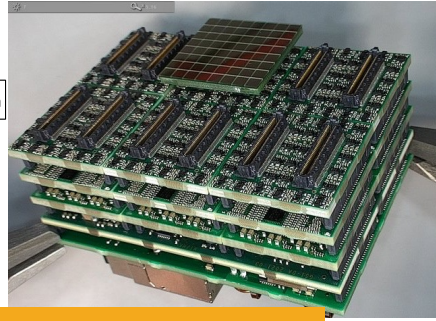
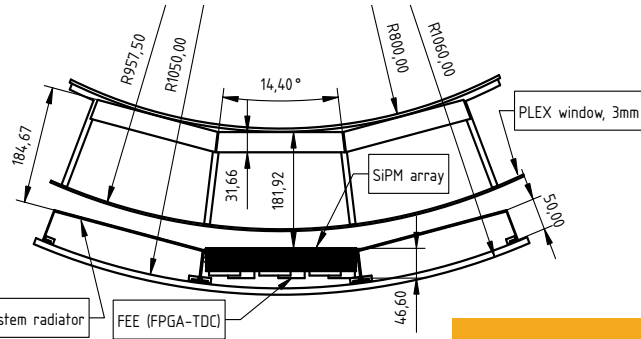
275 tiles 200x202x35 in barrel part
 2x55 trapezoidal tiles in end caps:
 2x12 – inner radius
 2x18 – medium radius
 2x25 – outer radius

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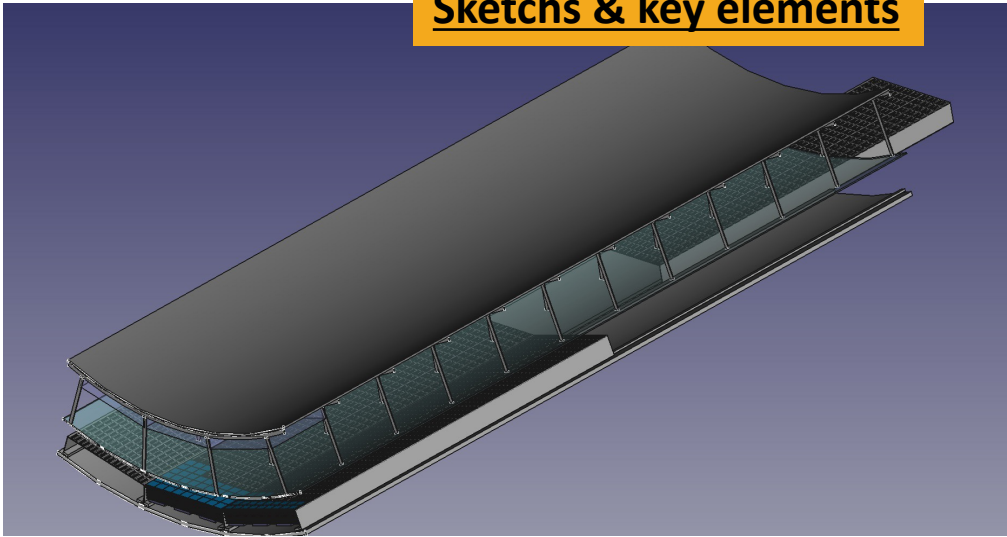
Photon sensors & R/O electronics

BARREL

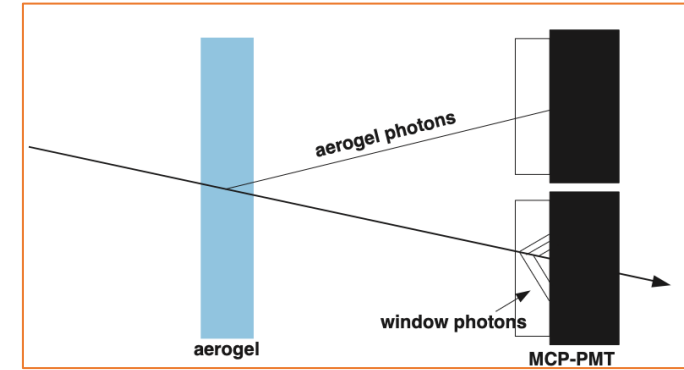
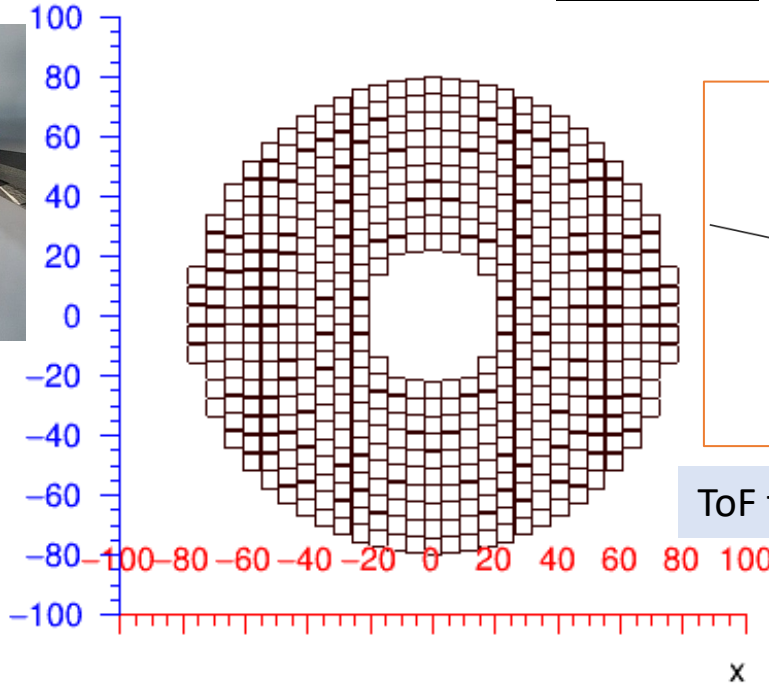
ENDCAP



Sketches & key elements



- Only SiPMs are able to operate in barrel FARICH
- 'FaRICH ssystem' R/O electronics prototype (from GSI) demonstrates ability to realised totally FPGA based approach



ToF technique could be utilized as well

- 516 PMTs ■ 58x58 mm (PC ■ 50x50 mm) & 8x8=64 pix. 5.9x5.9 mm

$$Eff = \frac{516 \cdot 64 \cdot 0.59 \times 0.59}{S_{endcap}} = \frac{11495 \text{ cm}^2}{18850 \text{ cm}^2} \approx 0.60 \rightarrow N_{pe}^{\beta=1} \approx 10$$

- R/O system could be based on DiRICH boards (from GSI) or similar
- Expected separation:

π/K up to $\sim 5 \text{ GeV}/c$

μ/π up to $\sim 1 \text{ GeV}/c$

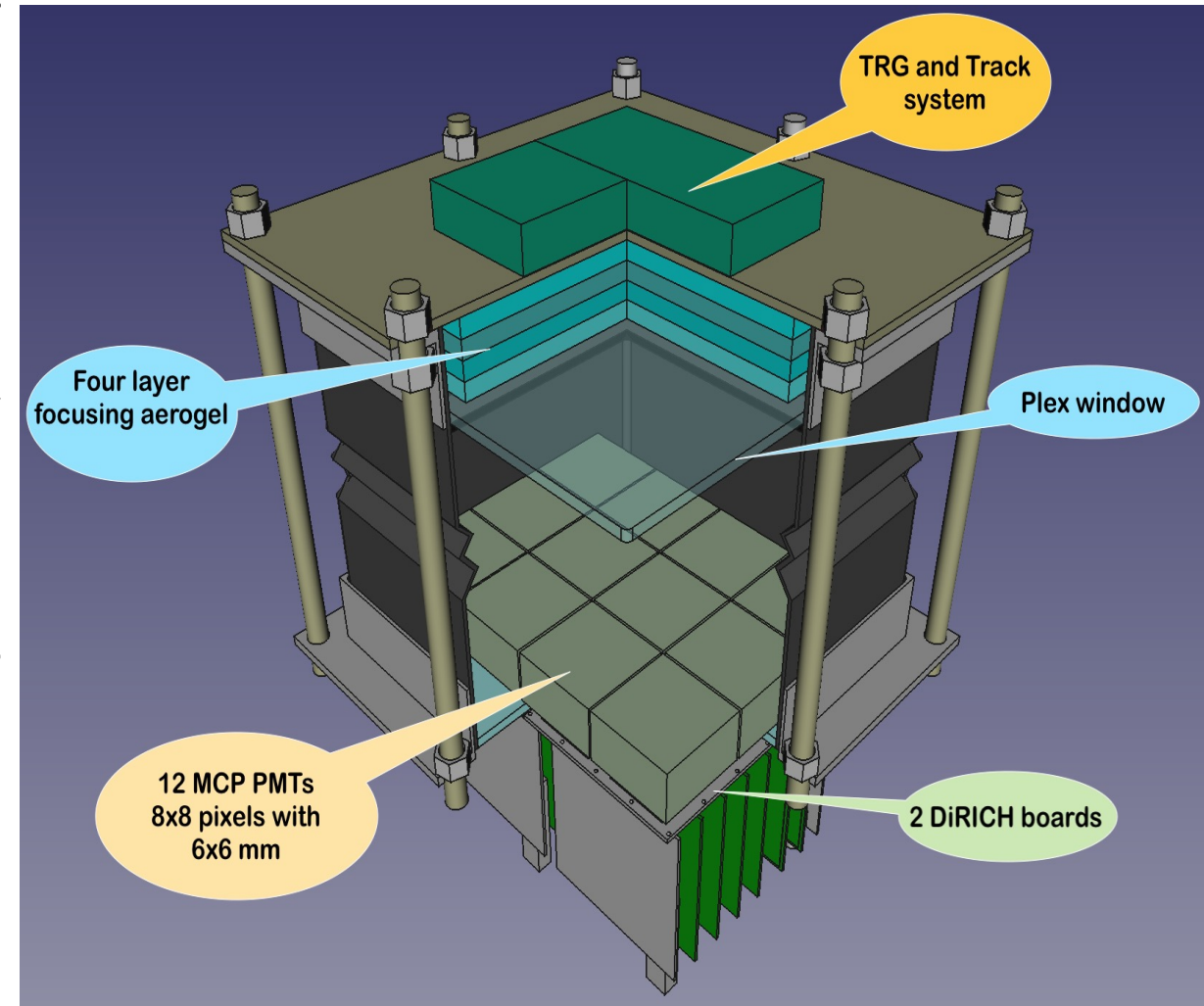
Summary

- In 2020-2023 the essential progress in FARICH technique was achieved:
 - The **4-layer focusing aerogel sample with 20x20x3.5** cm size were produced for the first time in the world → the possibility to create full-scale systems based on 4-layer focusing aerogel Cherenkov radiators was demonstrated
 - The measured SPR of FARICH based on 4-layer focusing aerogel is in good agreement with simulation and could provide π/K up to **8.5 GeV/c** and μ/π up to **1.7 GeV/c**
 - Recent progress in high optically dense aerogel production with help of ZrO_2 dope allows us to consider new design of FARICH detector with dual aerogel radiator which able to provide excellent μ/π from **0.2 GeV/c**
- Further progress strongly depends on development of position-sensitive **photon detectors** and compatible **R/O electronics**. It was demonstrated that there are no any showstoppers but this is an issue of cost and availability (components, manpowers, funds etc.).
- FARICH option now is also considered for several other projects: PSD-NICA (Dubna), VEPP-6 (Novosibirsk) and other.

Back up slides

FARICH prototype with full-ring detection

- To demonstrate real PID capabilities of FARICH based on modern solutions.
- We need 8÷12 MCP PMTs with size $\sim 5 \times 5$ cm to provide photon detection area $S \sim 15 \times 15$ cm.
- We have at BINP FEE to readout up to 18 MCP PMTs (18•64=1152 pixels) by means of DiRICH boards and TRB-3 interface.
- Time performances and ToF approaches should be tested too. Jitter of this FPGA-TDC from GSI declared better than 40 ps.
- This FARICH prototype could be tested with mixed hadron beams or with cosmic rays to demonstrate PID capabilities.



PID options for π/K – separation

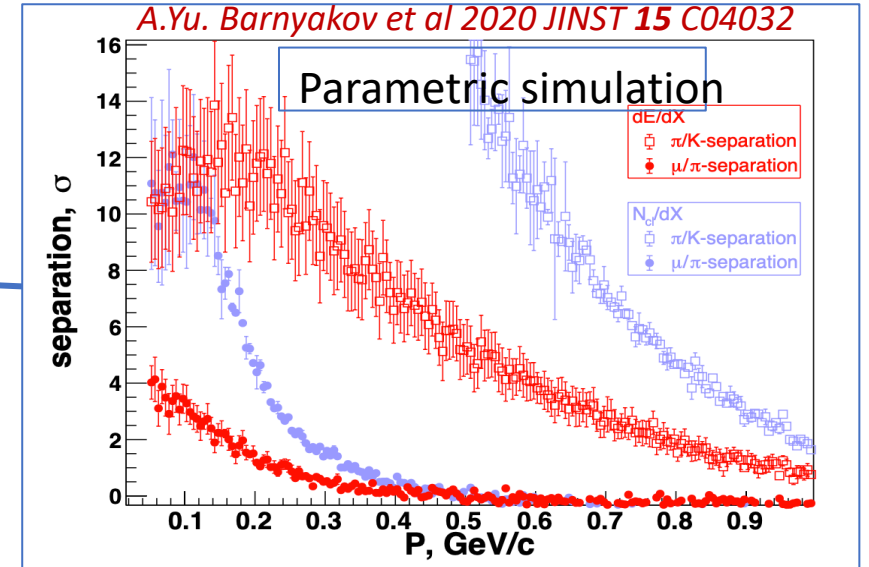
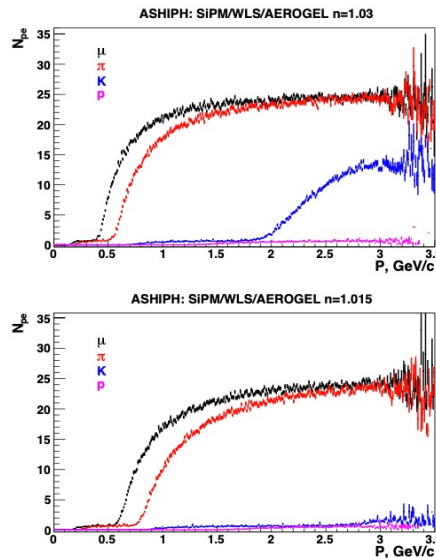
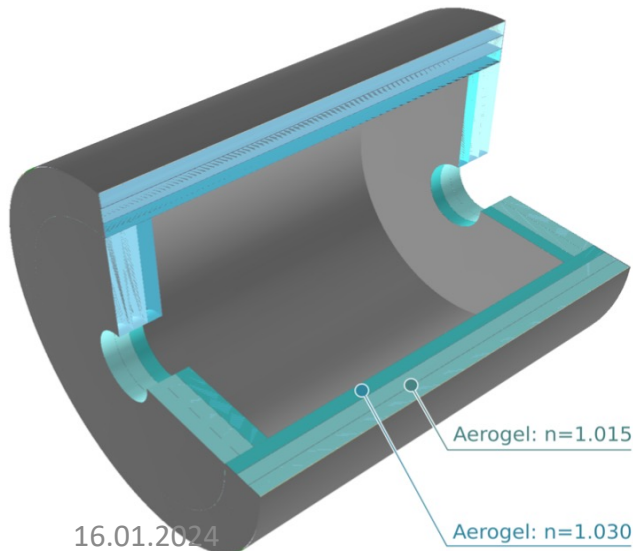
- dE/dx
 - $\frac{\sigma_{dE/dx}}{\langle dE/dx \rangle} \leq 7\% \rightarrow \geq 3\sigma$ up to 0.6 GeV/c
 - $\frac{\sigma_{N_{cl}/dx}}{\langle N_{cl}/dx \rangle} \leq 4\% \rightarrow \geq 3\sigma$ up to 0.9 GeV/c

- Focusing Aerogel RICH (FARICH)

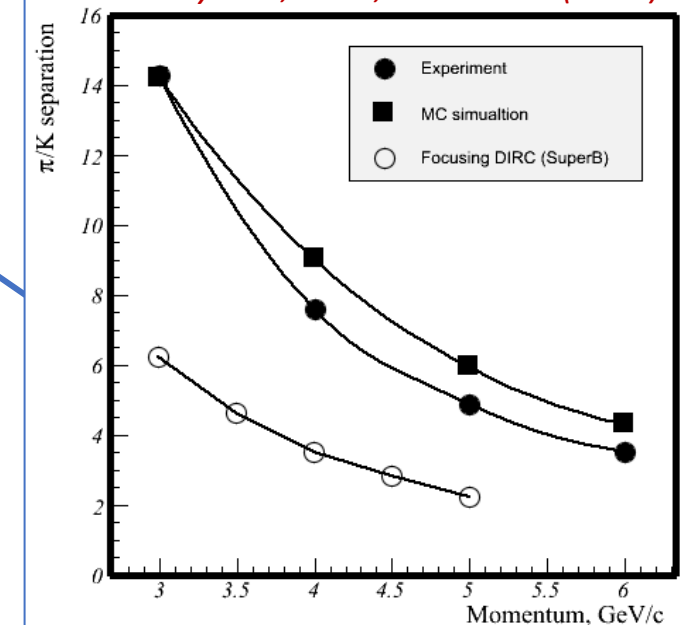
(4 layer @ $n_{max}=1.05$) $\rightarrow \geq 3\sigma$ from 0.5 to 6 GeV/c

- ASHIPH@SiPM ($n_1=1.03$ and $n_2=1.015$) $\rightarrow \geq 3\sigma$ from 0.6 to 3.5 GeV/c

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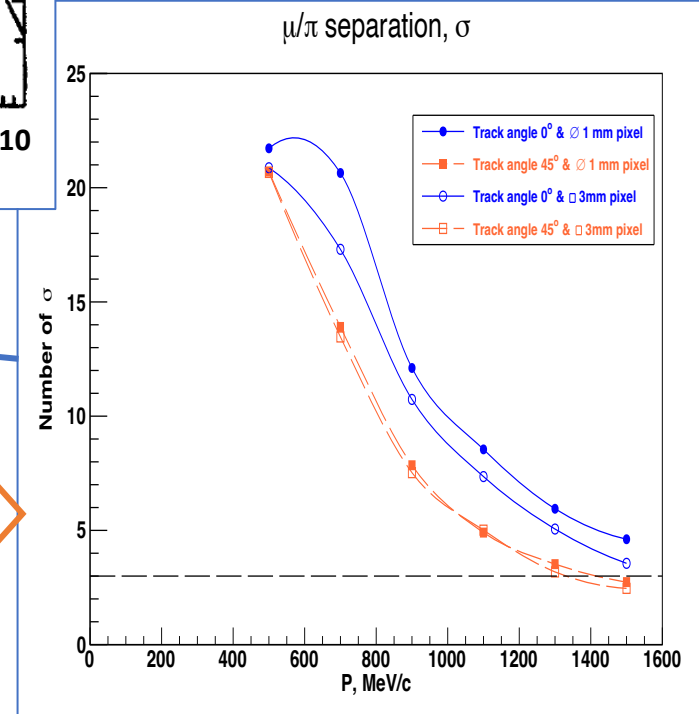
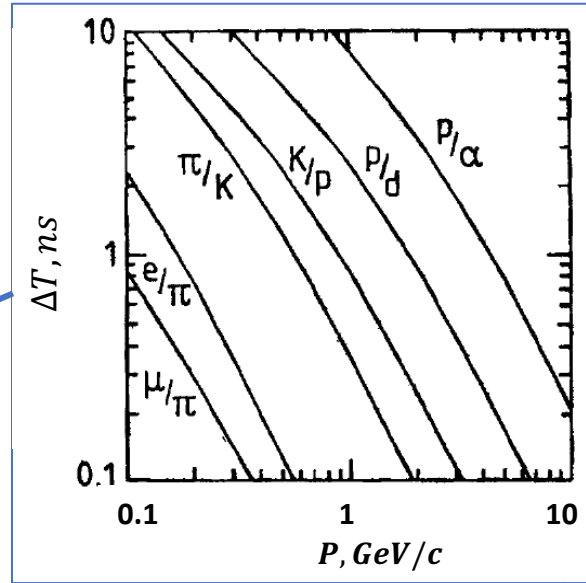


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PID options for μ/π – separation

- dE/dx
 - $\frac{\sigma_{dE/dx}}{\langle dE/dx \rangle} \approx 7\% \rightarrow \geq 3\sigma$ up to 0.15 GeV/c
 - $\frac{\sigma_{N_{cl}/dx}}{\langle N_{cl}/dx \rangle} \approx 4\% \rightarrow \geq 3\sigma$ up to 0.25 GeV/c
- **TOF** with $\sigma_t \approx 100$ ps $\rightarrow \geq 3\sigma$ up to 0.2 GeV/c, e.g. Cherenkov light from entrance window of MCP-PMT
- **FARICH** (4-layer, $n_{max}=1.05$) $\rightarrow \geq 3\sigma$ from 0.5 to 1.5 GeV/c



Results of parametric simulation tuned with results of beam test :

- SPR($\beta = 1$, \blacksquare 3 mm) = 1.63 mm
- SPR($\beta = 1$, \emptyset 1 mm) = 1.36 mm

FARICH with dual aerogel radiator is proposed to extend down μ/π – separation from 0.5 to 0.2 GeV/c

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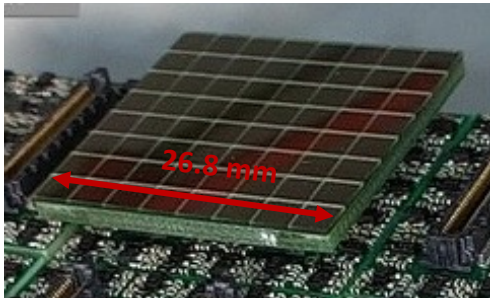
Photon detector options

Due to axial magnetic field the SiPM is only one possible candidate for the cylindrical part of the FARICH system!!!

For the endcap regions there are three options of photon detectors.

SiPM arrays

- There are several manufacturer in the world.
- It is required to develop and produce special R/O electronics and cooling system to operate with SiPMs in detector conditions

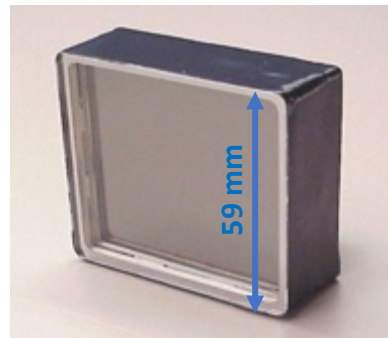


KETEK PA3325-WB-0808
(BroadCom, USA)

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MCP-PMT

- There are several manufacturers in the world.
- PDE is not so high, it is limited by photoelectron collection efficiency (~60%) and geometrical efficiency is worse than for SiPM option. Several vendors suggest MCP-PMT with CE=90%
- There is no such a big problem with intrinsic noise rejection in comparison with SiPM option
- Specialised R/O electronics is already developed for other experiments and could be adopted for the SPD experiment requirements

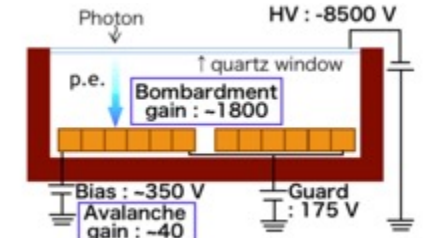
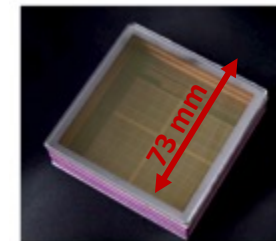


Planacon XP85112
8x8 pixels with 6x6 mm
Cost: 15 k\$

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HAPD

- Only Hamamtsu produced such devices for the Belle II experiment and now it doesn't produced anymore!
- Expected PDE of such devices will less than for SiPM option but significantly (1.5 times) higher than for MCP-PMT option.
- Expected gain is about $1 \div 2 \cdot 10^5$
- Development of specialised R/O electronics is needed. It is possible to adopt some Belle II ARICH system experience.
- The S/N-ratio is about 1000, it means that only thermostabilization system to operate at the room temperature will enough for this option.



R/O electronics cost estimation

There are two modern approaches in development of specialised R/O electronics:

- ASIC (Application Specialised Integrated Circuits)
- FPGA (Field Programable Gate Arrays)

The differences in performance, power consumption and costs are not sufficient today!!!

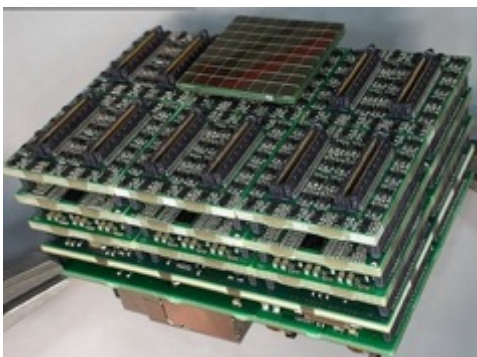
FPG-TDC (GSI)

Unit	Article	Price per unit	Total price
2	DiRICH	4.917,00 €	9.834,00 €
	Additionally the export duty from Germany		150,00 €
	Total price		9.984,00 €

$$\frac{9\,834\text{€}}{2 \times 384} \approx 13\text{€/chan if } N_{\text{ch}} < 1000 \text{ (2019)}$$

A system with 30kChannel (HADES):
 170k€/30k \approx 6€/chan (2017)

Power consumption: \sim 55mW/chan



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TOFPET-II (PetSys)

The price of what you list (if based on ASIC_2,c) is

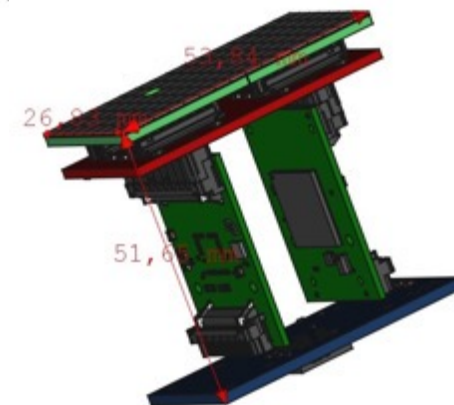
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1	clk&trg		5'000
1	FEB/D		5'376
8	FM128	1'579	12'632
TOT			31'008

$$\frac{31\,008\text{€}}{8 \times 128} \approx 30\text{€/chan if } N_{\text{ch}} \leq 1000$$

A system with 100kChannel:
 5€/chan (2020)

Power consumption:

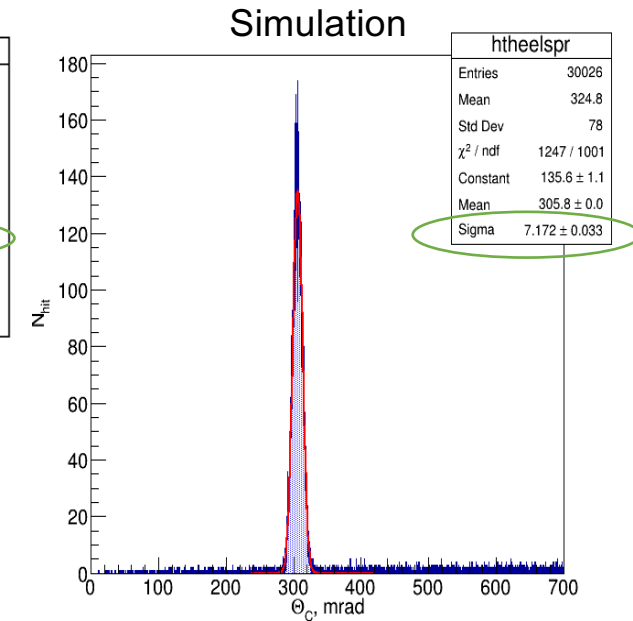
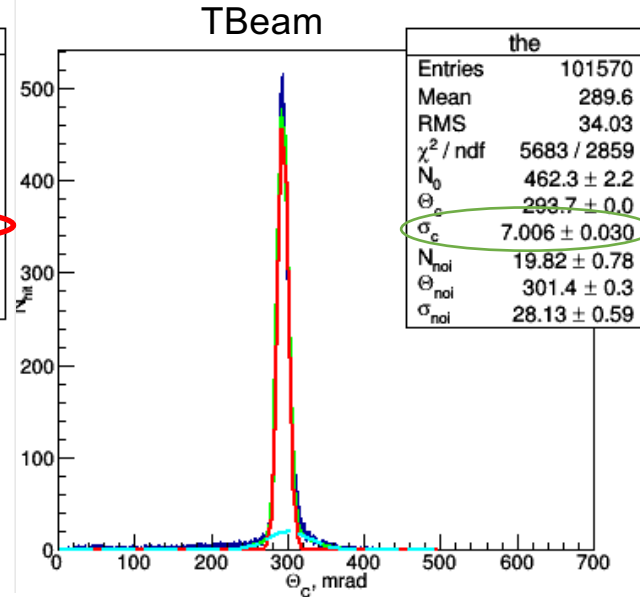
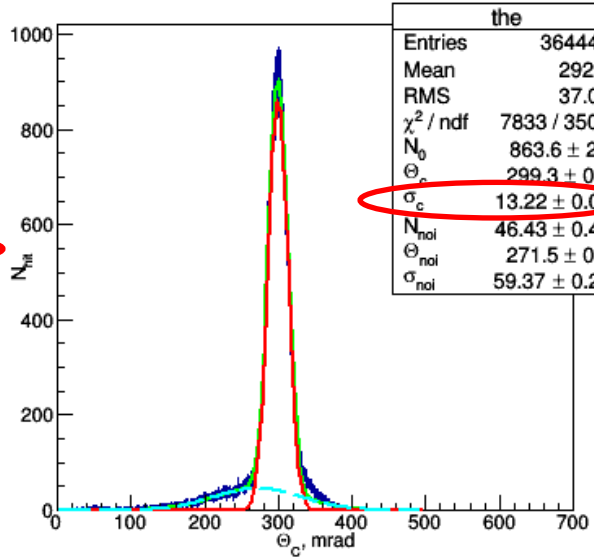
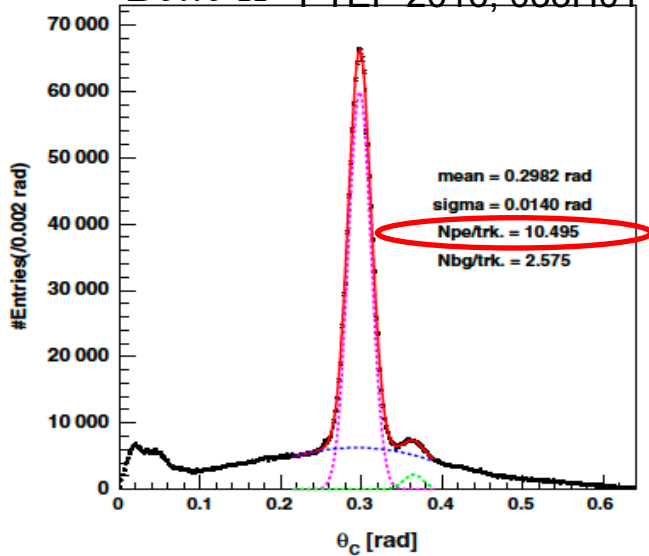
15mW/chan (ASIC) + DAQ (FPGA) \sim 60mW/chan



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TBeam results consideration

Belle II PTEP 2016, 033H01



Aerogel: 20+20 mm (Chiba Univ.)
 $n(400\text{nm}): 1.045 + 1.055$
 Pixel: 5x5 mm

Geom.Eff. $\sim 90\%$
 $N_{pe} \approx 10.5$

4-layers (Novosibirsk) \rightarrow
 $1.039 \div 1.046$
 6x6 mm

Geom.Eff. $\sim 80\%$
 $N_{pe} \approx 16$

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 3x3 mm

Geom.Eff. $\sim 20\%$
 $N_{pe} \approx 4$

4-layers (ideal profile)
 $1.041 \div 1.050$
 3x3 mm

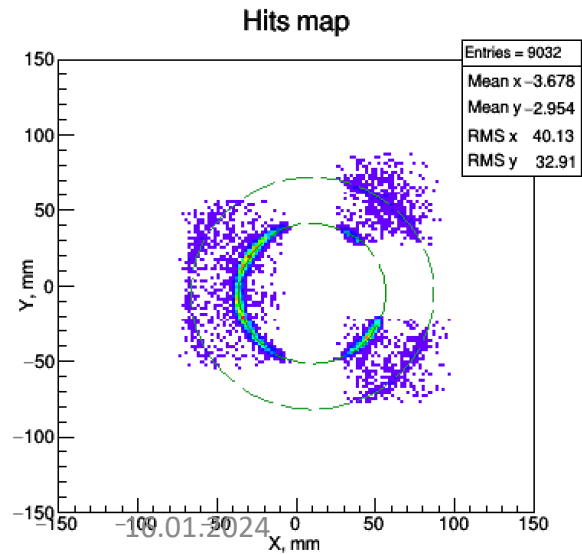
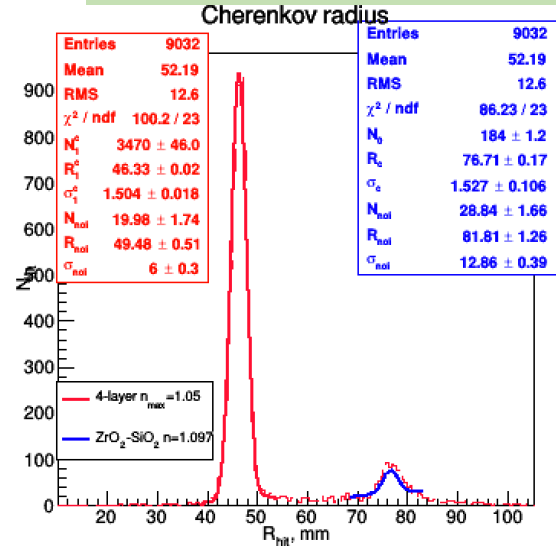
Dimensions of focusing aerogels 23x23x3.5 cm allow us to design the full-scale FARICH systems for the future particle physics experiments.

SPE resolution $\sim 7 \div 8 \text{ mrad}$ is able to provide:

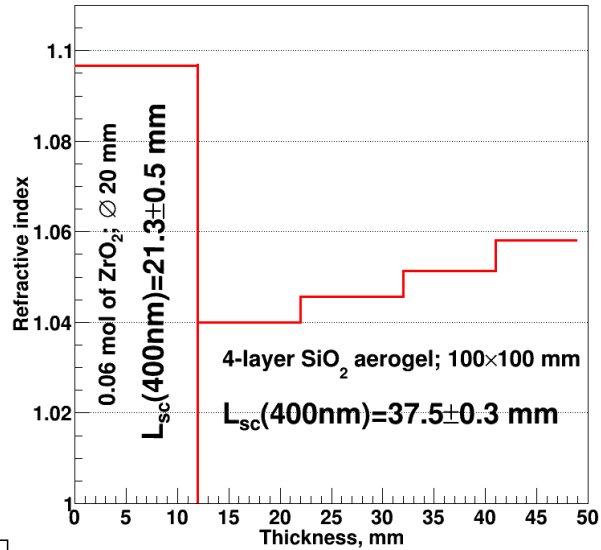
- π/K @ 8.0 GeV/c $> 3\sigma$ if ($N_{PE} = 16$) and π/K @ 6.0 GeV/c $> 3\sigma$ if ($N_{PE} = 8$)
- μ/π @ 1.5 GeV/c $> 3\sigma$ if ($N_{PE} = 16$) and μ/π @ 1.3 GeV/c $> 3\sigma$ if ($N_{PE} = 8$)

G4 simulation vs beam test results

TBeam results



Optical parameters for G4 simulation



- PDE for H12700 from data-sheet
- Pixel 3x3 mm with pitch 6mm
- Focal distance $L=172 \text{ mm}$

The main difference between G4sim and TBeam is a photon small angle scattering effect on aerogel surfaces and inside. These effects have not implemented in G4sim yet.

G4 simulation results

