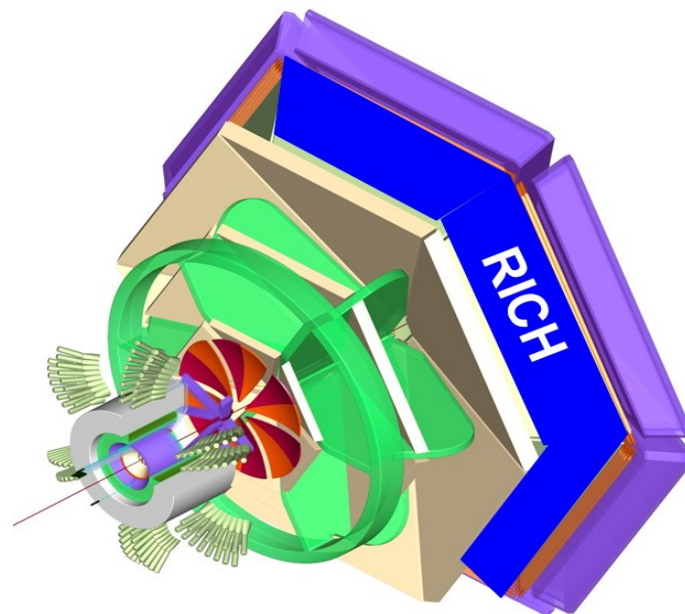


# *Towards A RICH Detector for CLAS12 Spectrometer*

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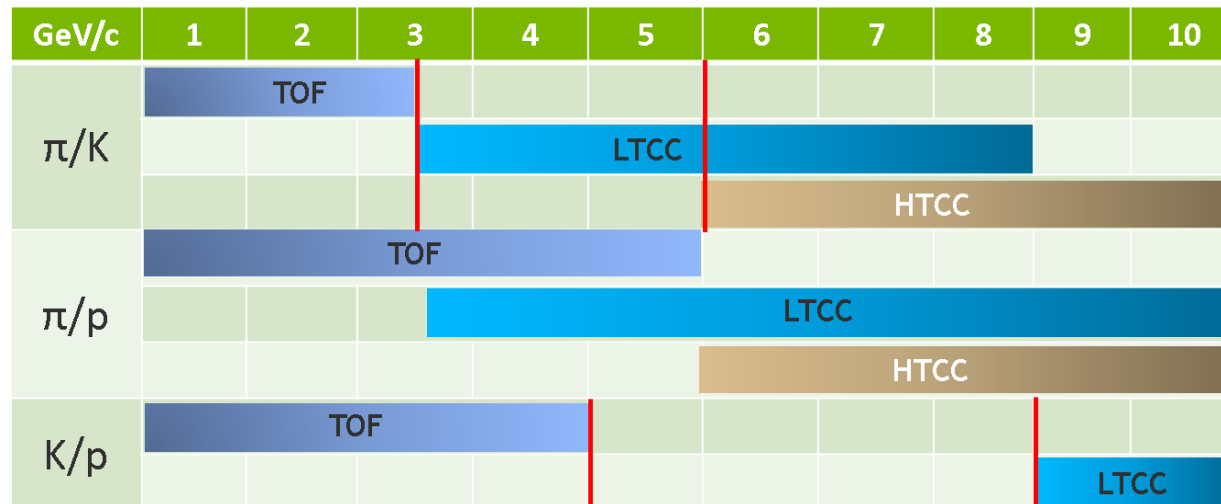
# Outline

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# Motivation

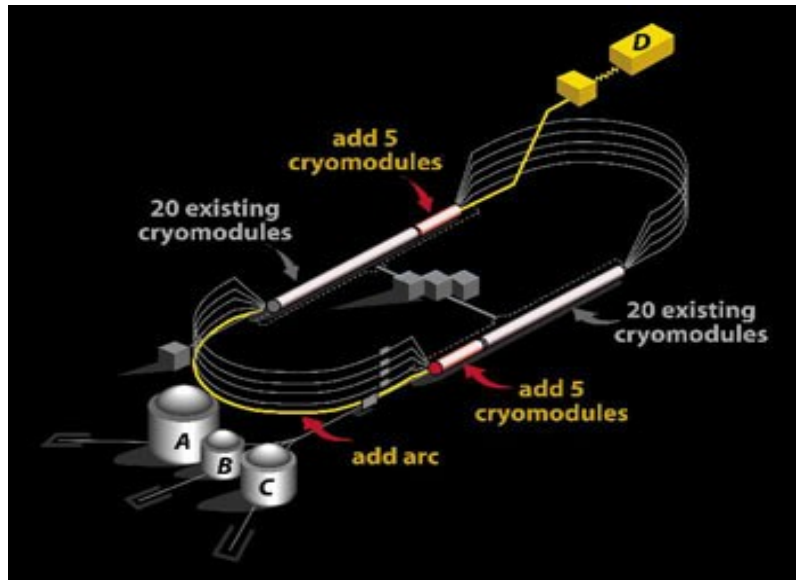
- The feasibility of the Jlab physics programs dealing with kaons in the final state requires a good detection system capable of identifying kaons with high efficiency and low contamination in a broad momentum range.
- Particle Identification system used by CLAS12 (TOF, LTCC, HTCC) does not allow for a good identification/separation between  $\pi/K/p$  in the whole 2.5-10 GeV/c momentum range



- Reliable kaon identification is only possible for momentum up to 2.5 GeV
- For momentum range 2.5-5 GeV/c kaon identification depends on LTCC performance
- In the momentum region 4-8 GeV/c it is not possible to separate between kaons and protons

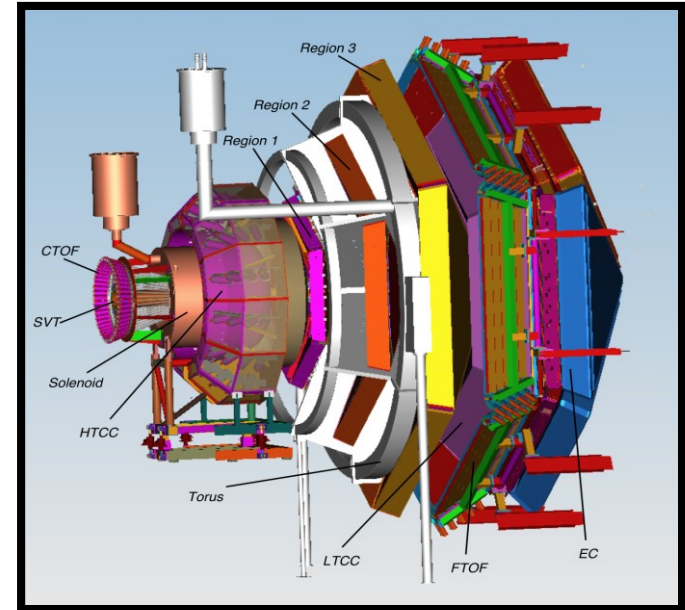
**➡ RICH detector is needed to improve CLAS12 PID**

# Particle Identification at CLAS12



## Forward Detector:

- TORUS magnet
- Forward SVT tracker
- HT Cherenkov Counter
- Drift chamber system
- LT Cherenkov Counter
- Forward ToF System
- Preshower calorimeter
- E.M. calorimeter (EC)



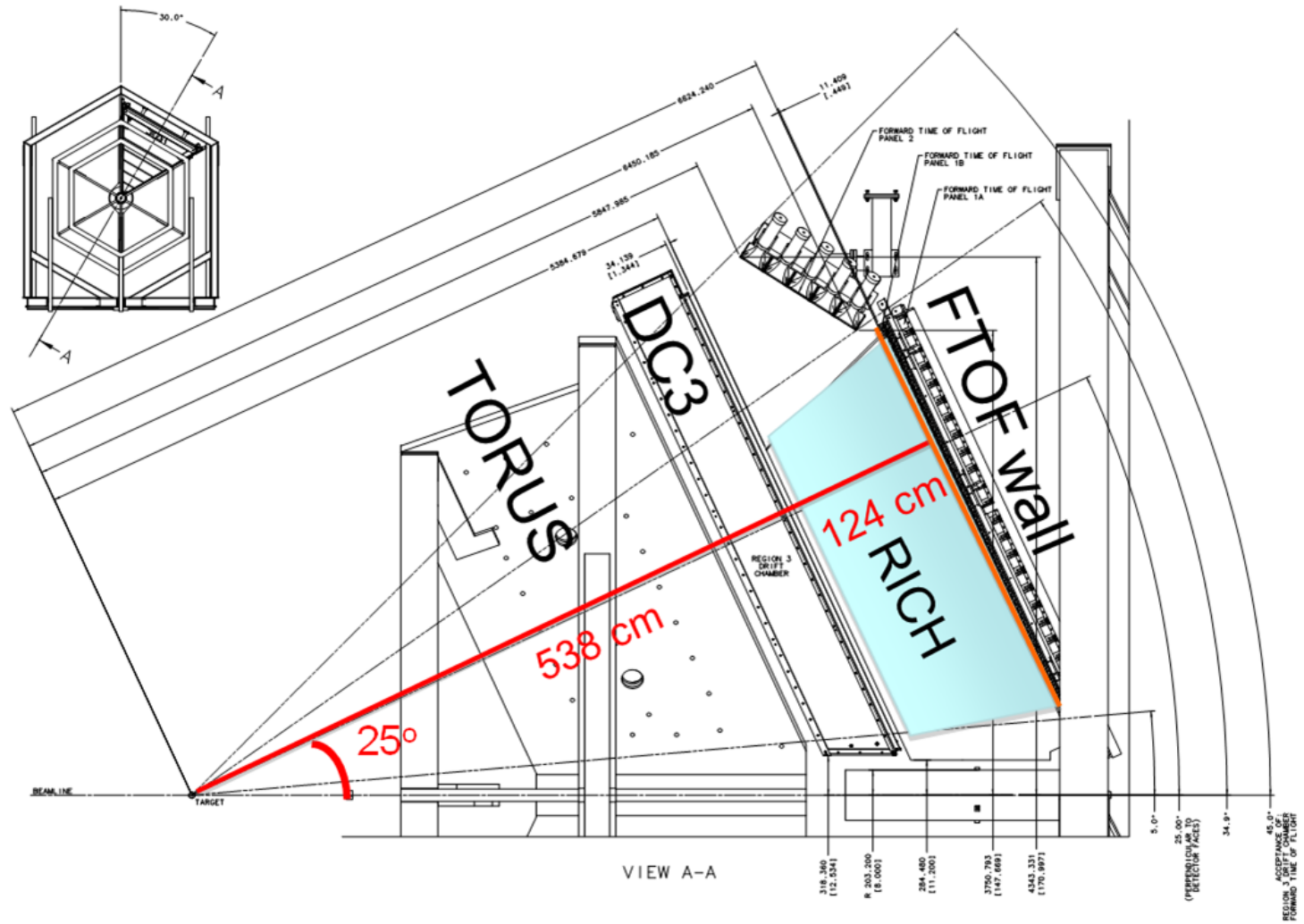
## Central Detector:

- SOLENOID magnet
- Barrel Silicon Tracker
- Central Time-of-Flight

## Proposed upgrades:

- Micromegas (CD)
- Neutron detector (CD)
- **RICH detector (FD)**
- Forward Tagger (FD)

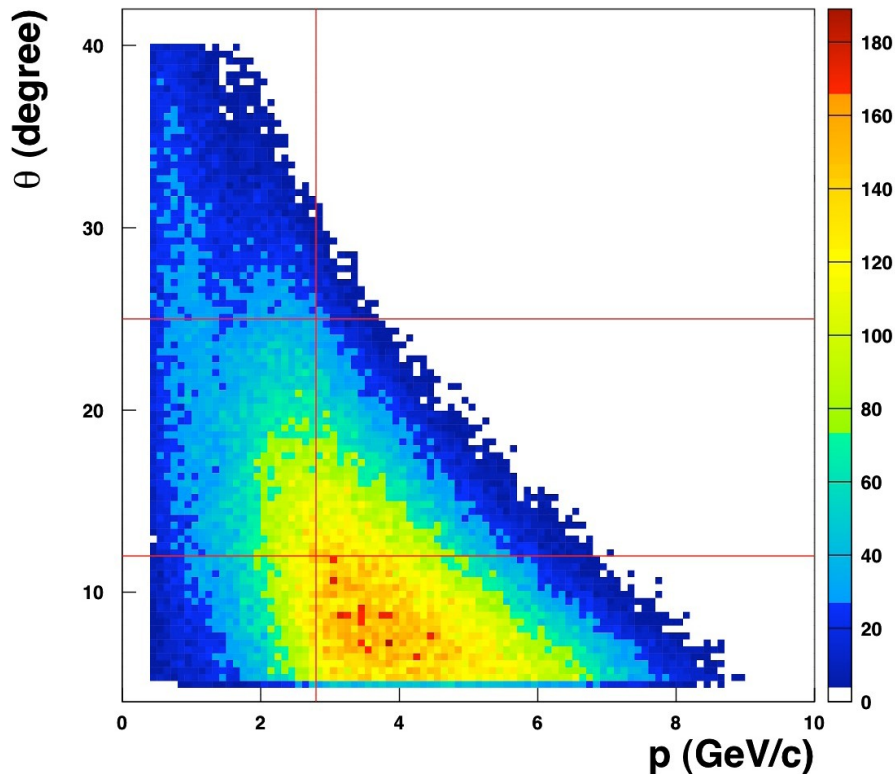
# RICH Layout



# Kaon momentum/angular distribution

In order to determine the momentum and angular distributions of kaons, pythia generator was used to generate semi-inclusive events by scattering an 11 GeV electron beam off a proton target

$$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2, W^2 > 4 \text{ GeV}^2, y < 0.85, z > 0.2, \text{pdf cteq6m}$$



Most kaons are produced between 5-40 degrees and with momentum up to 8 GeV

# RICH Performance

The angular resolution per photon:

$$\sigma_{\theta_c} = \sqrt{\sigma_{rad}^2 + \sigma_{PD}^2 + \sigma_{geom}^2 + \sigma_{tr}^2}$$

The ring resolution:

$$\sigma_{ring}(\theta_c) = \frac{\sigma_{\theta_c}}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}}$$

The separating power:

$$N_{\sigma} = \frac{(m_1^2 - m_2^2)}{2 p^2 \sqrt{n^2 - 1} \sigma_{\theta_c}}$$

The number of photo-electrons  $N_{pe}$ :

$$N_{pe} = 370 L \int \varepsilon \sin^2 \theta_c dE = L N_0 \sin^2 \theta_c, \quad N_0 = N \int (QTR) dE$$

Usually  $N_0$  between ~ 20 and 100

**General rule: minimize  $\sigma_{\theta_c}$  and maximize  $N_{pe}$**

# Proximity Focusing RICH Detector

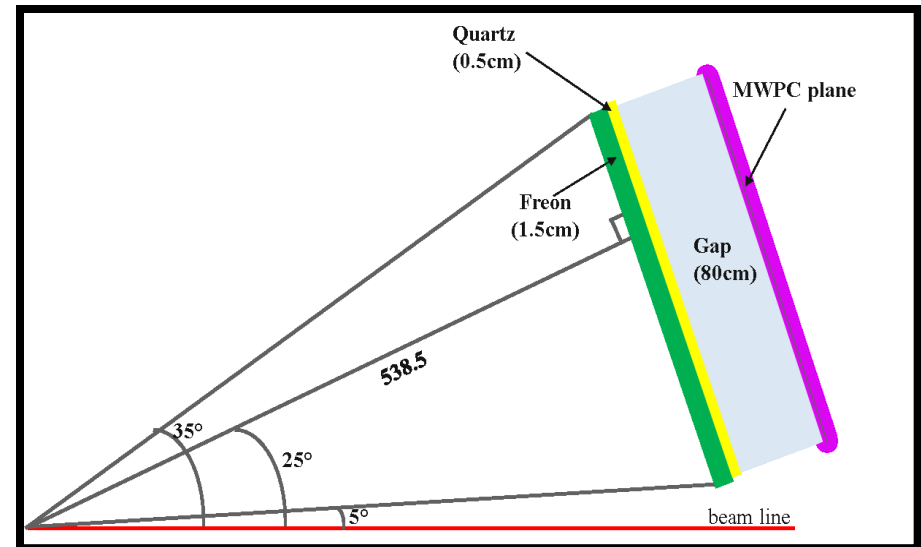
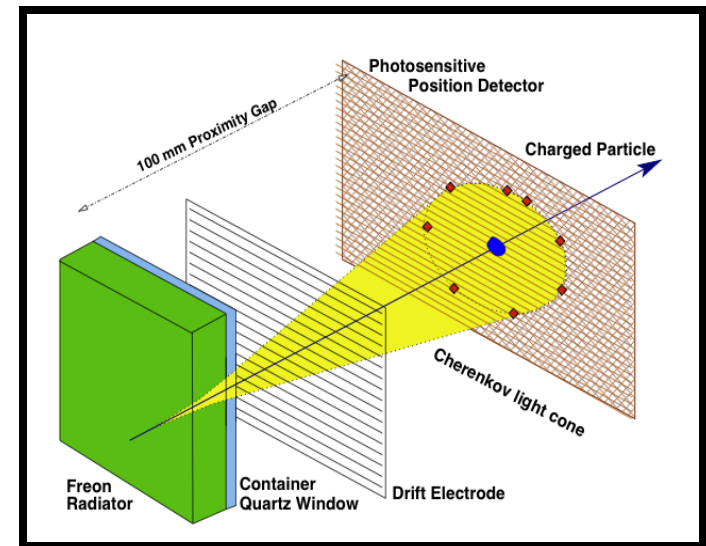
## Requirements:

- Fit inside the available Area (124 cm)
- Should be able to operate in a high rate environment and in a Magnetic field
- Reasonable cost
- Material budget(impact on CLAS12 performance )

A proximity focusing RICH detector similar to the one used in Hall A Hyper Nuclei experiment (*Garibaldi et al., NIM A502:117, 2003*) was chosen as a starting point for the simulation because it fulfills the above requirements.

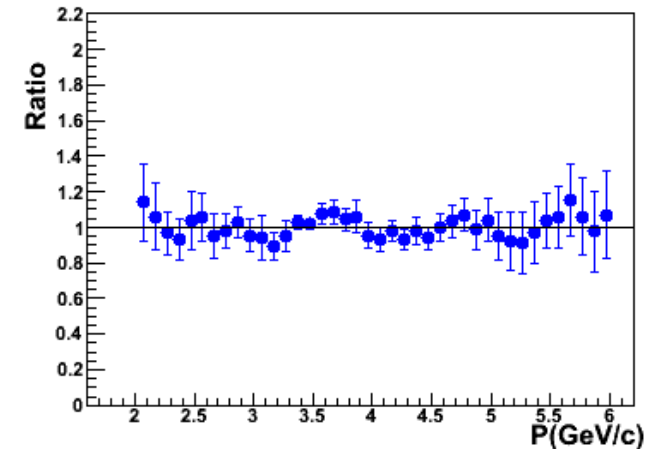
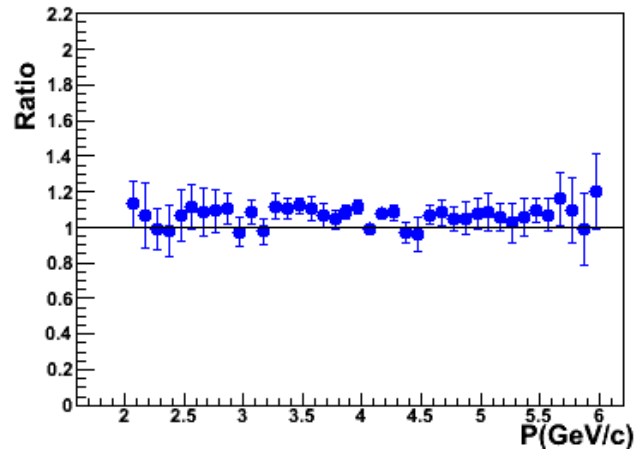
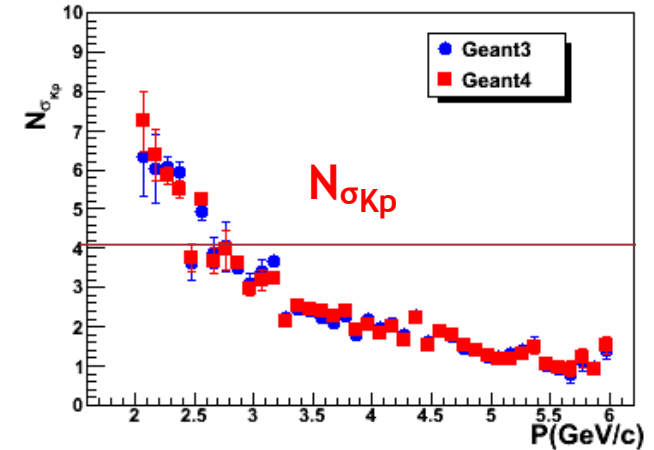
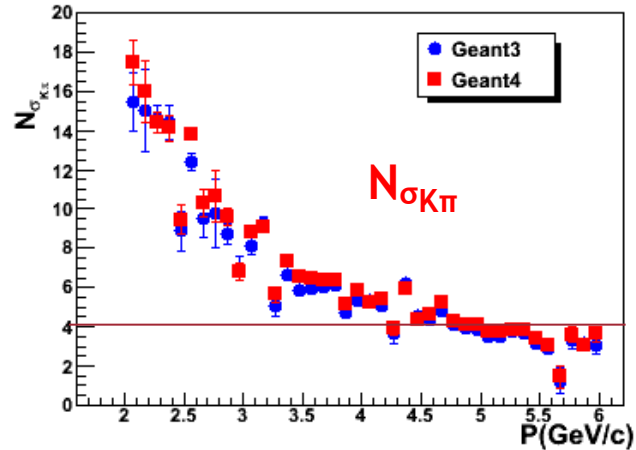
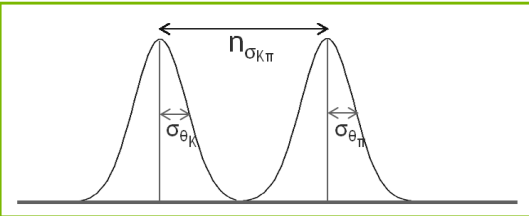
## Detector Components:

- Liquid Freon Radiator  $C_6H_{14}$ ,  $\langle n \rangle = 1.28$
- Quartz Window
- Proximity Gap  $CH_4$  gaz
- Thin layer of CsI deposited on  $8 \times 8 \text{ mm}^2$  pad (photocathode for MWPC plane)



# Separating power

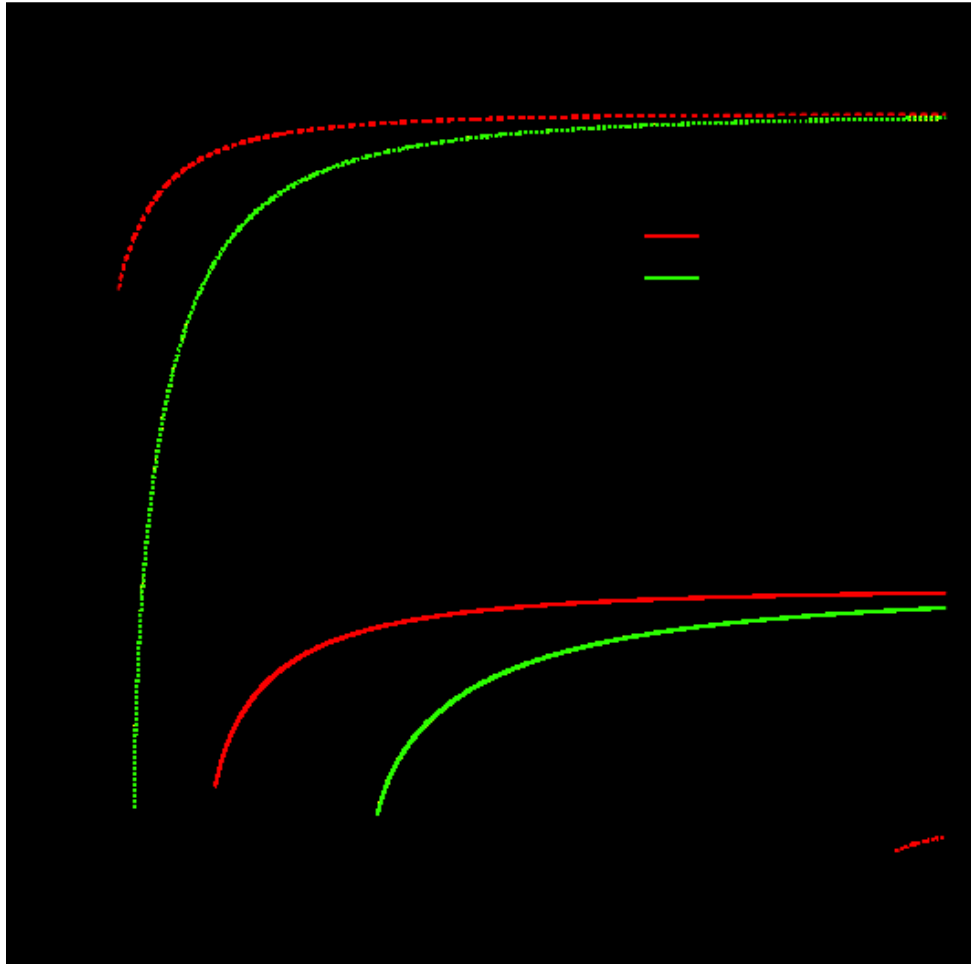
$$n_{\sigma_{p1p2}} = \frac{\langle \theta_{p1} \rangle - \langle \theta_{p2} \rangle}{\langle \sigma_{\theta_{p1}} \rangle + \langle \sigma_{\theta_{p2}} \rangle}$$



Freon+UV-light detection does not provide enough discrimination power in the 2-8 GeV/c momentum range

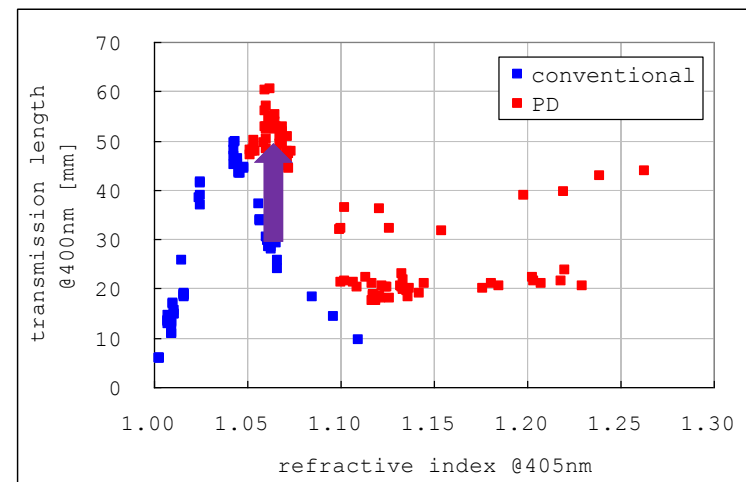
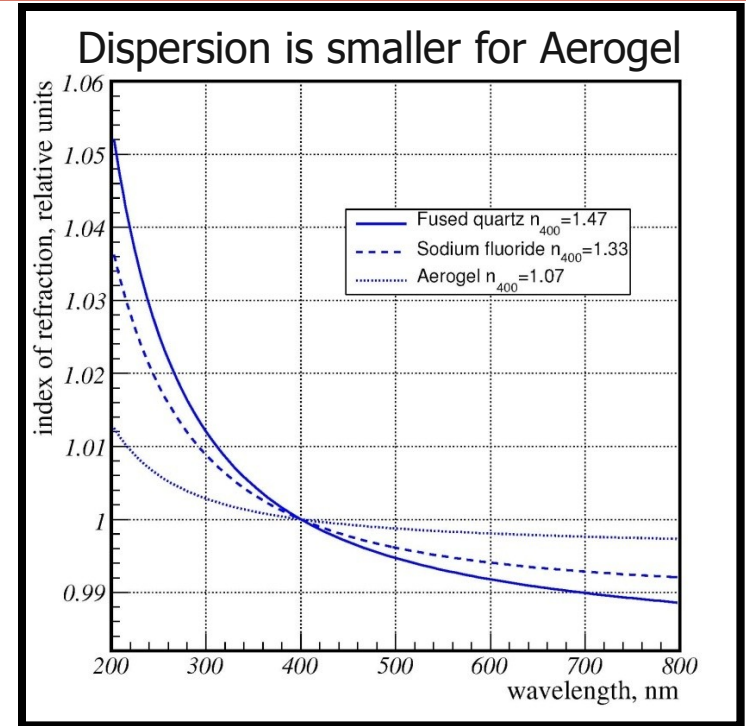
Use of Aerogel is mandatory to separate hadrons in the 2-8 GeV/c momentum range → collection of visible Cherenkov light → use of PMTs

# Radiator: Aerogel

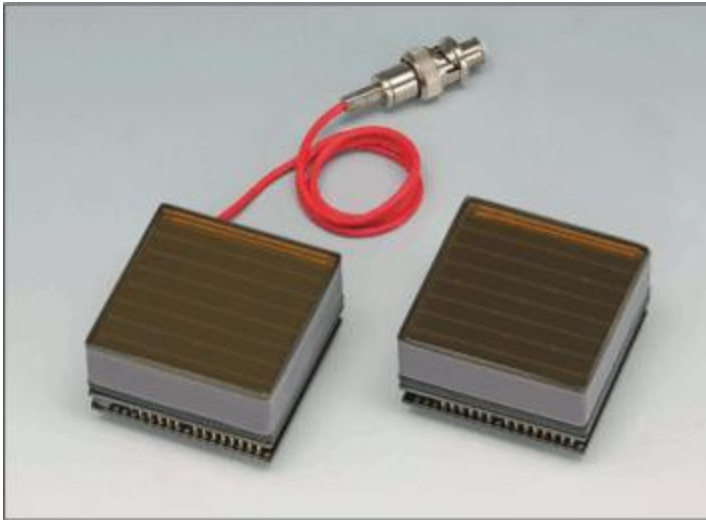


New technique “Pinhole drying (PD)” method allow the production of aerogel with high refractive index ( $n > 1.05$ ) and high transparency

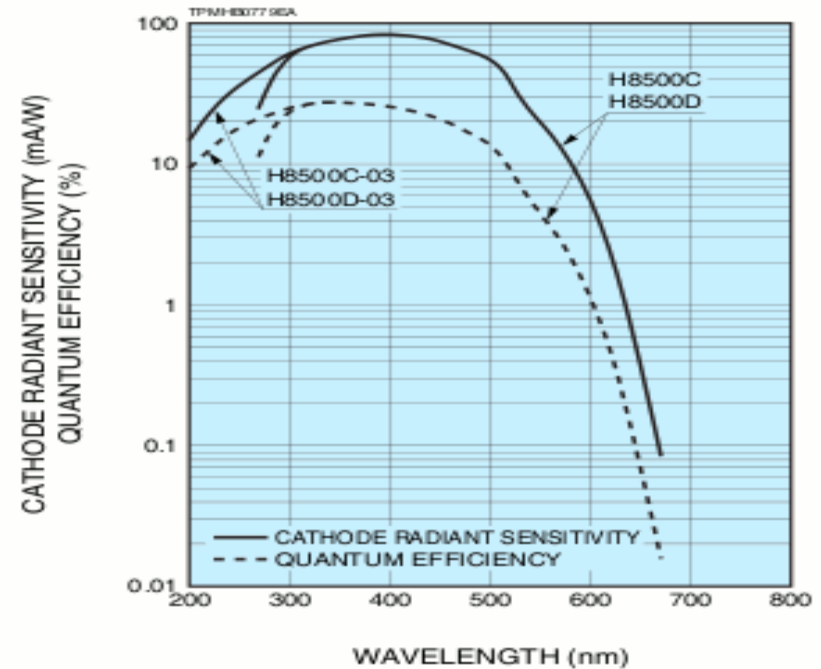
see talk by T. Makoto, june 09



# Photon detector: MAPMT H8500C



**Range : 260-650 nm**  
**30% QE @ 400 nm**  
**packing factor: 89%**

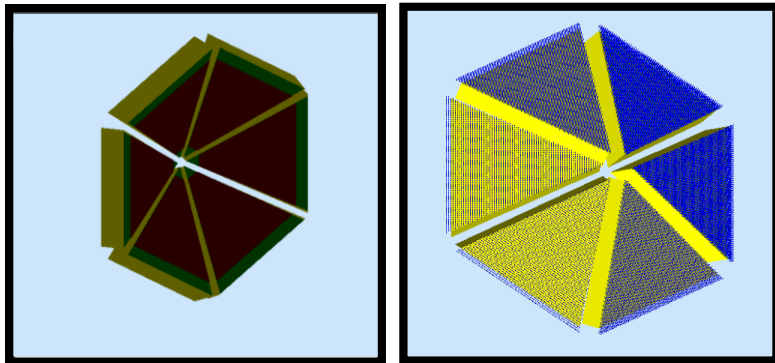


| MAPMT   | Dimension (mm <sup>3</sup> ) | Effective area (mm <sup>2</sup> ) | Pixel size (mm <sup>2</sup> ) |
|---------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| H8500-C | 52x52x28                     | 49x49                             | 5.2x5.2 (8x8)                 |

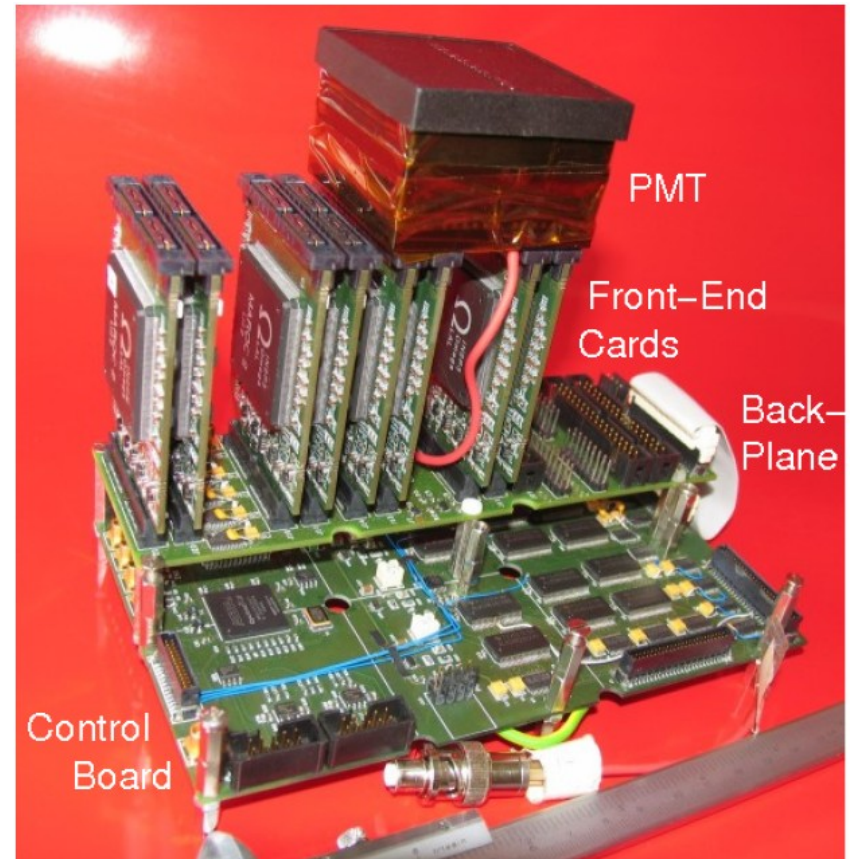
# RICH Detector Setup

| Component       | Volume (cm <sup>3</sup> ) | Material      |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Rich Body       | 130x460x124               | Aluminum      |
| Radiator        | 110x400x3                 | Aerogel       |
| Gap             | 120x450x100               | Methane       |
| Photon Detector | 5.2x5.2x2.8               | MAPMT H8500-C |

- Radiator: Aerogel Ref. index = 1.06
- Gap: Methane
- PMT: MAPMT H8500



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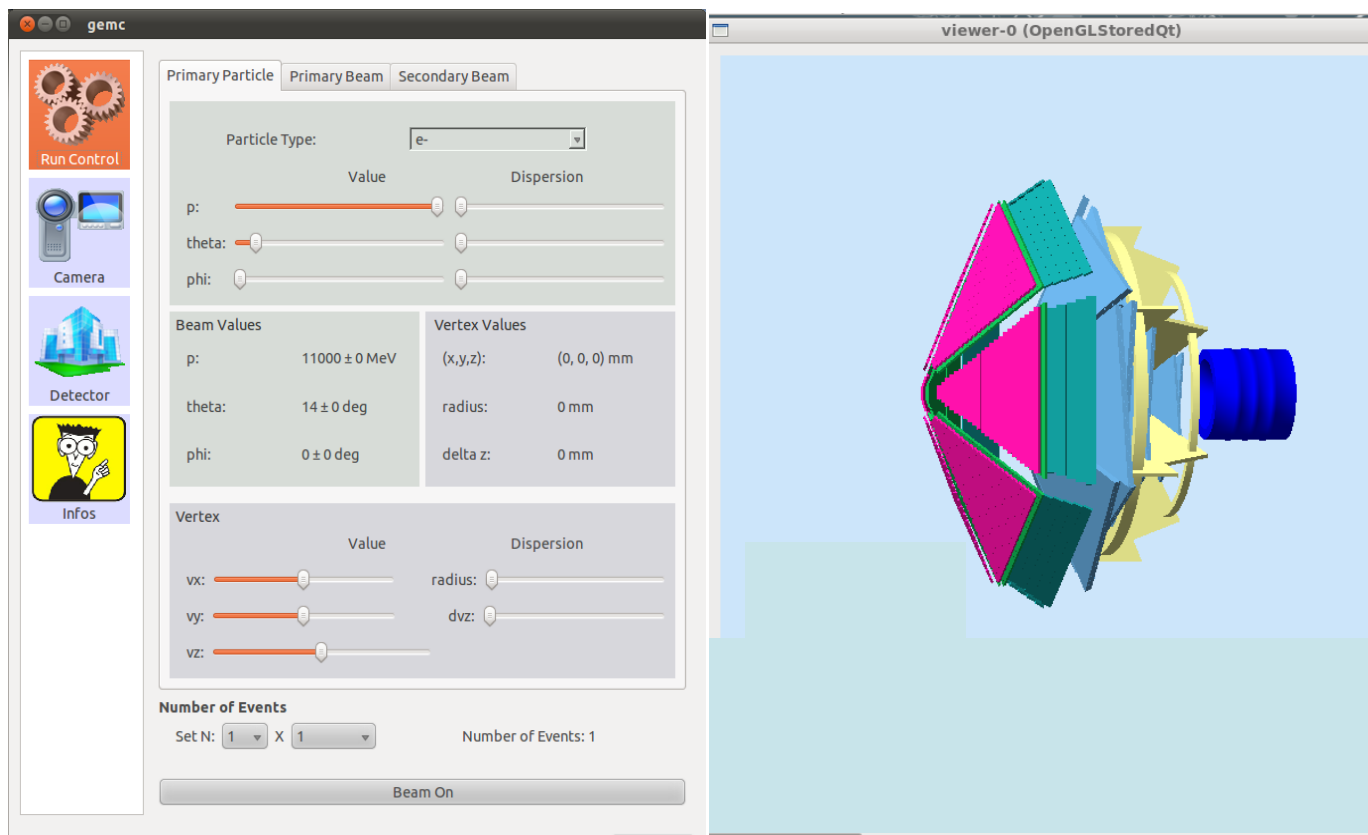
Only 17 cm space is left for electronics

# Software: GEMC

Full simulation chain

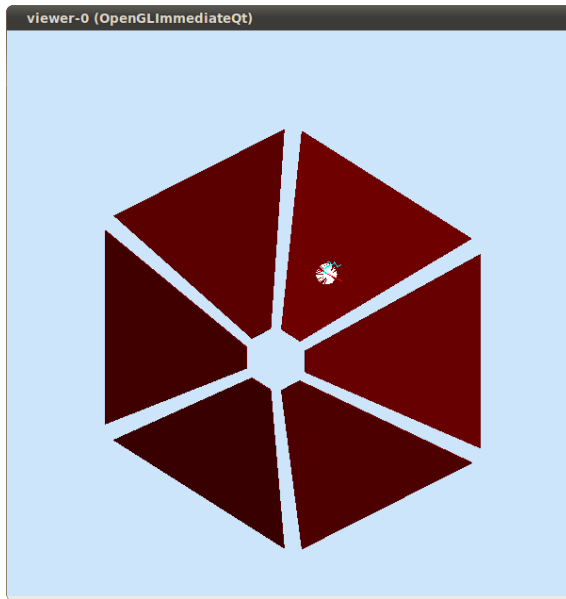
- realistic geometry
- track multiplicity / background

C++, CLHEP libraries, Qt4 libraries, Geant4, Scons/Python, mysql, root, pythia

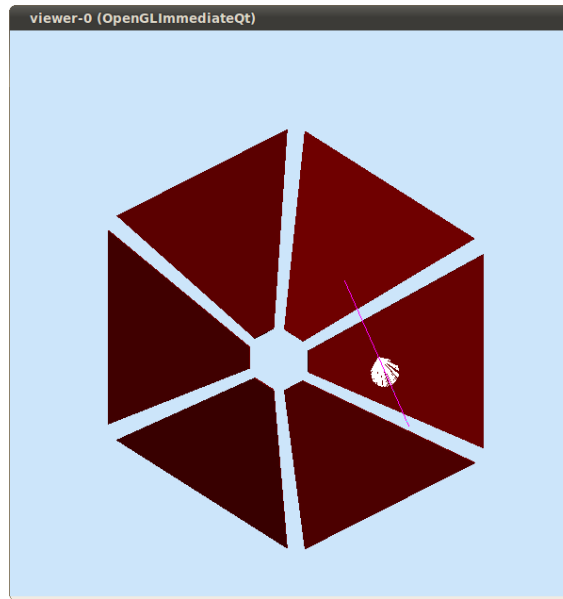


# Cerenkov rings

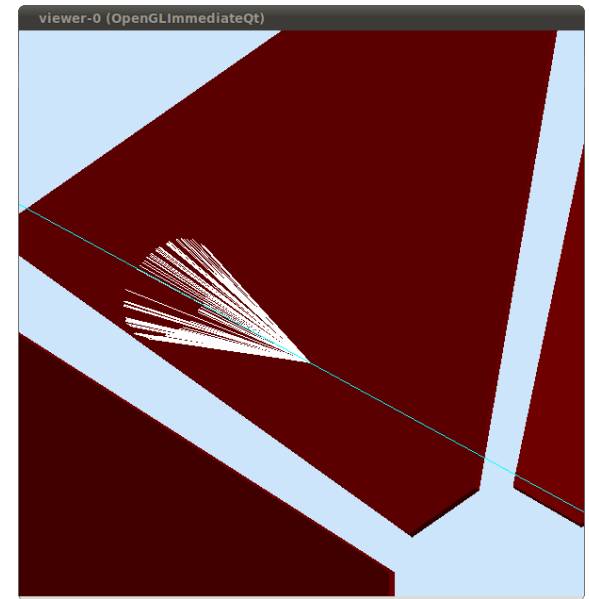
2 GeV kaon



2 GeV pion



2 GeV electron



# Simulation

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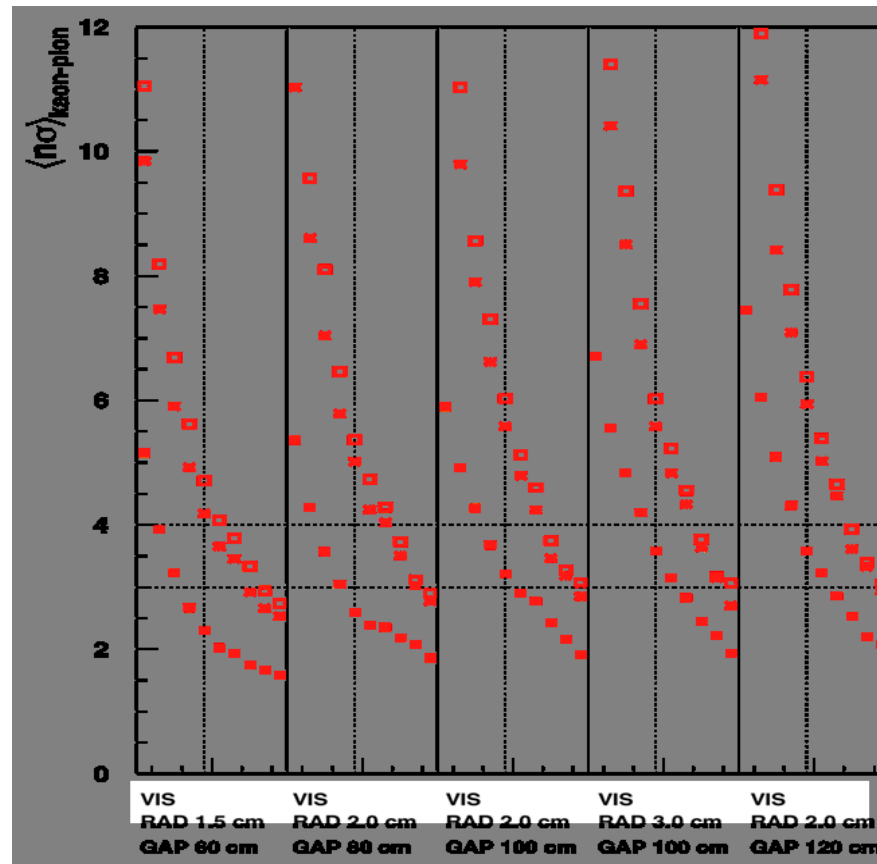
A full simulation was developed in order to optimize:

- The Aerogel thickness
- The Aerogel refractive index
- The gap length
- The pixel size

The outcome of the simulation is parameterized in term of

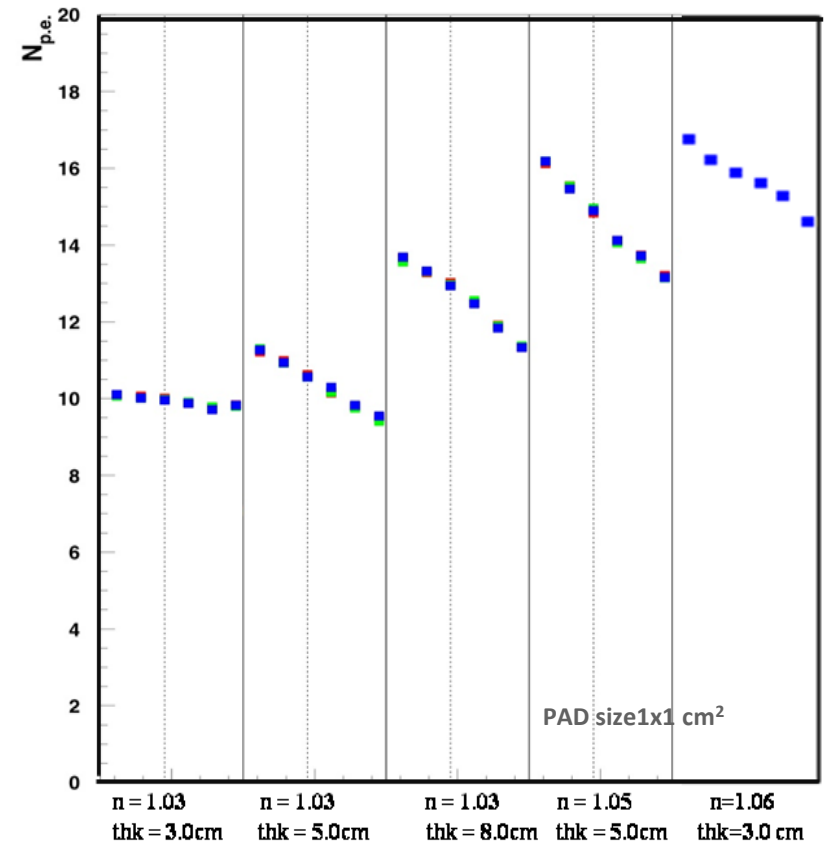
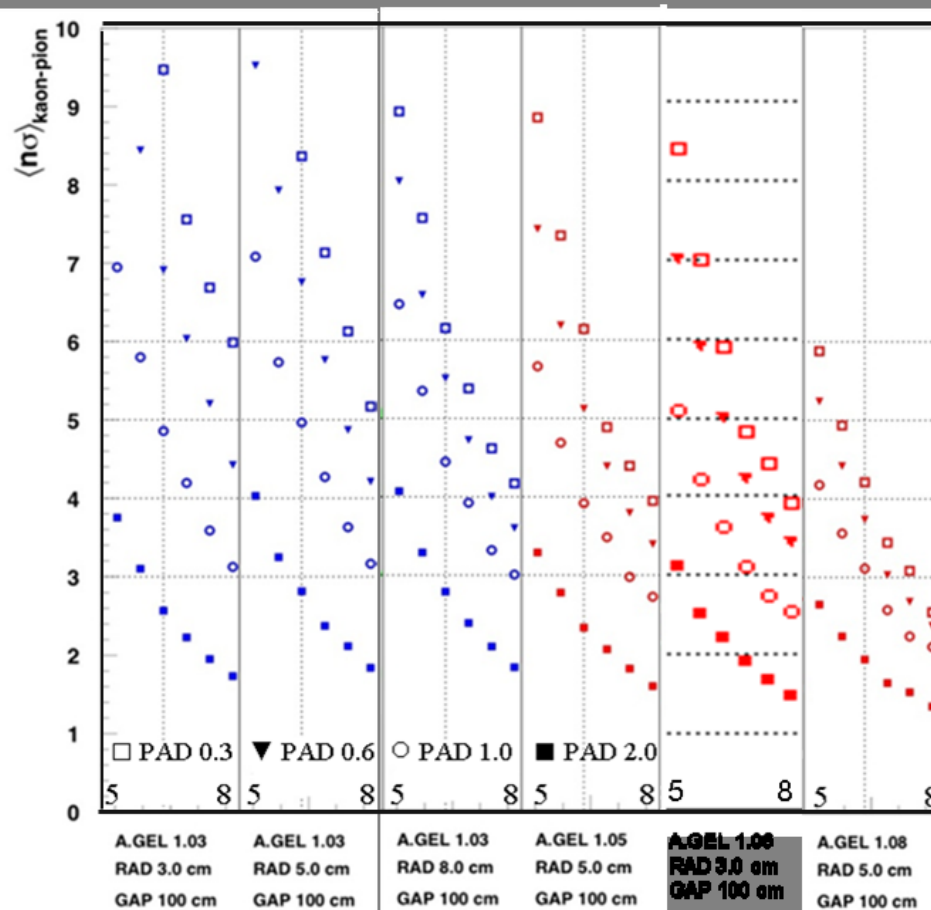
- The separation power ( $N_{\sigma}$ )
- The number of photoelectrons ( $N_{pe}$ )

# Gap length study



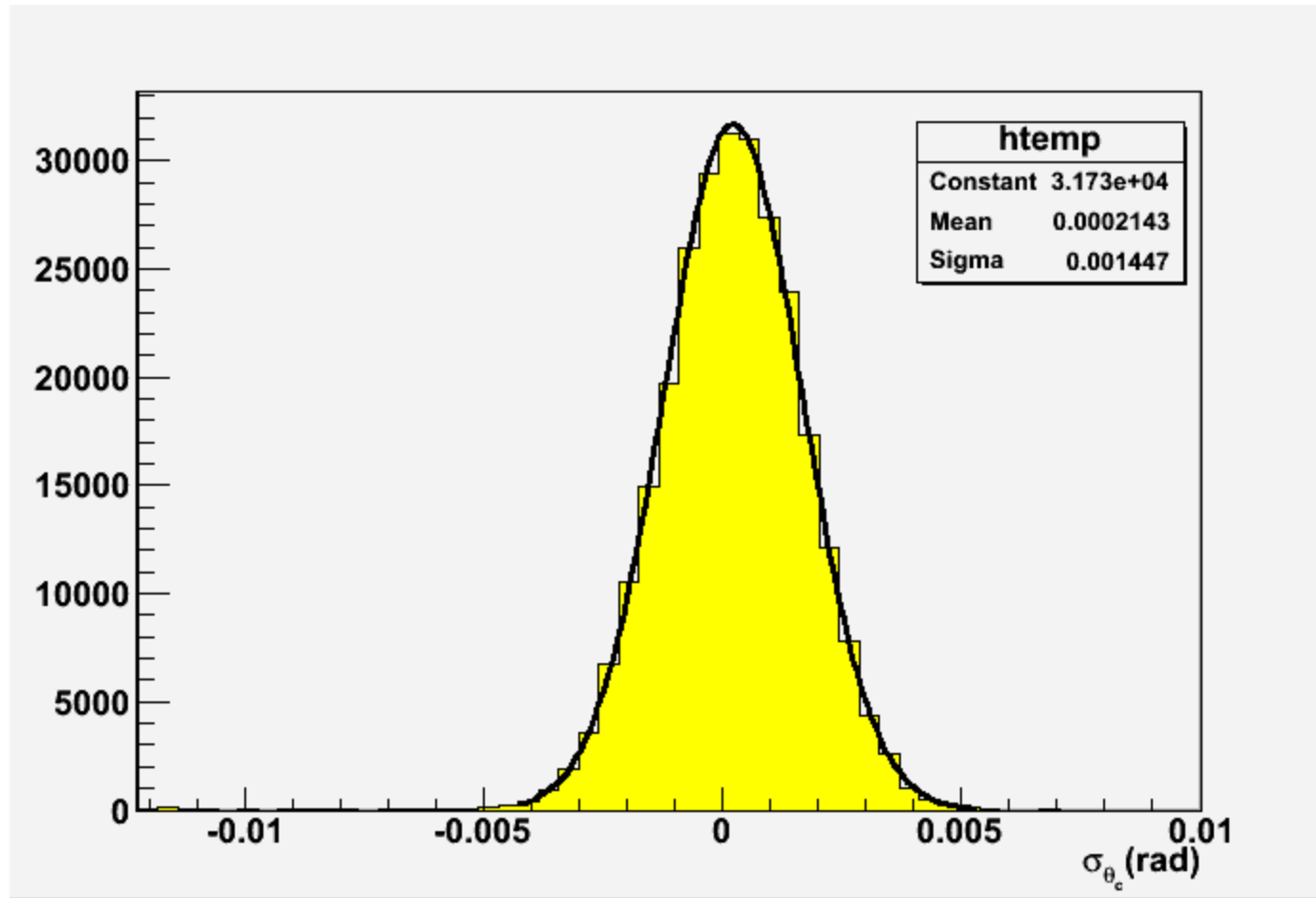
As expected, increasing the Gap length improve the separating power in the 5-8 GeV/c momentum range.

# Aerogel thickness & Ref. Index Study



- Decrease of Aerogel thickness improve the small pad size response
- Increasing the refractive index reduce the separation power but on the other hand increase the number of photoelectrons

# Angular resolution

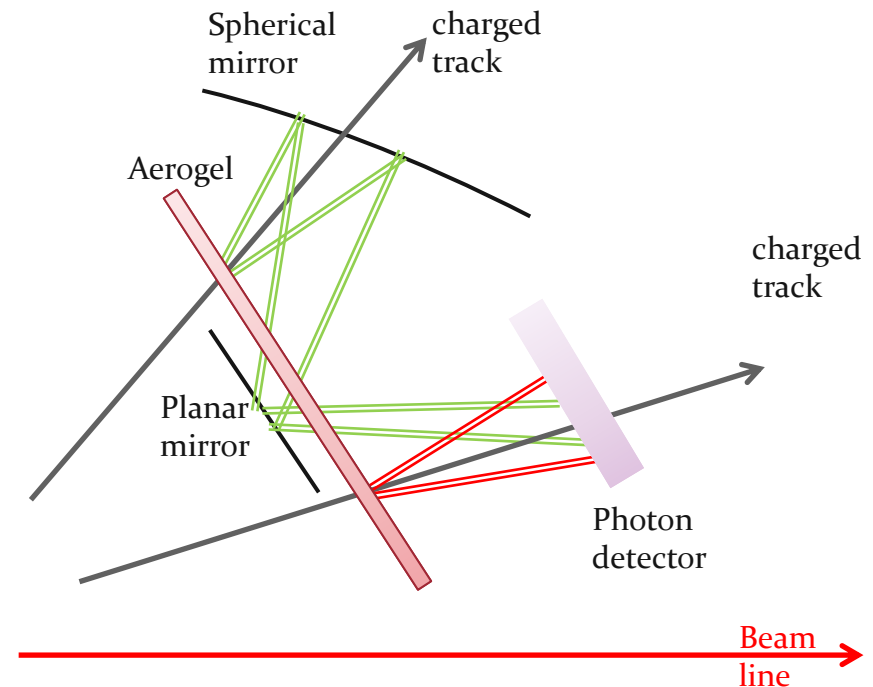
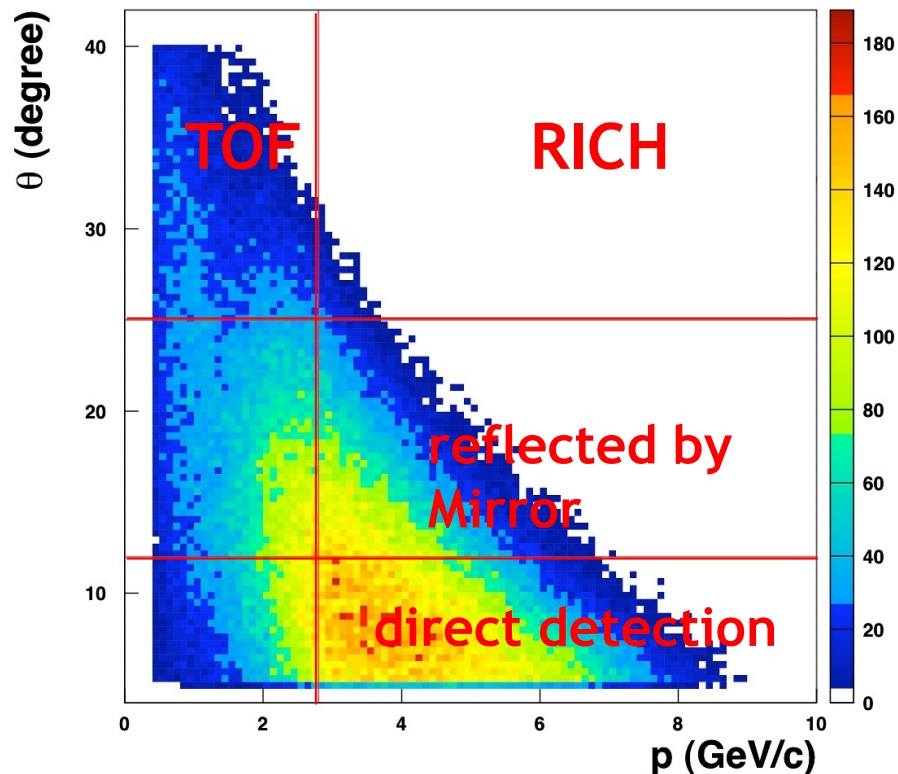


$$\Delta\sigma_{\theta_c} = 1.45 \text{ mrad}$$

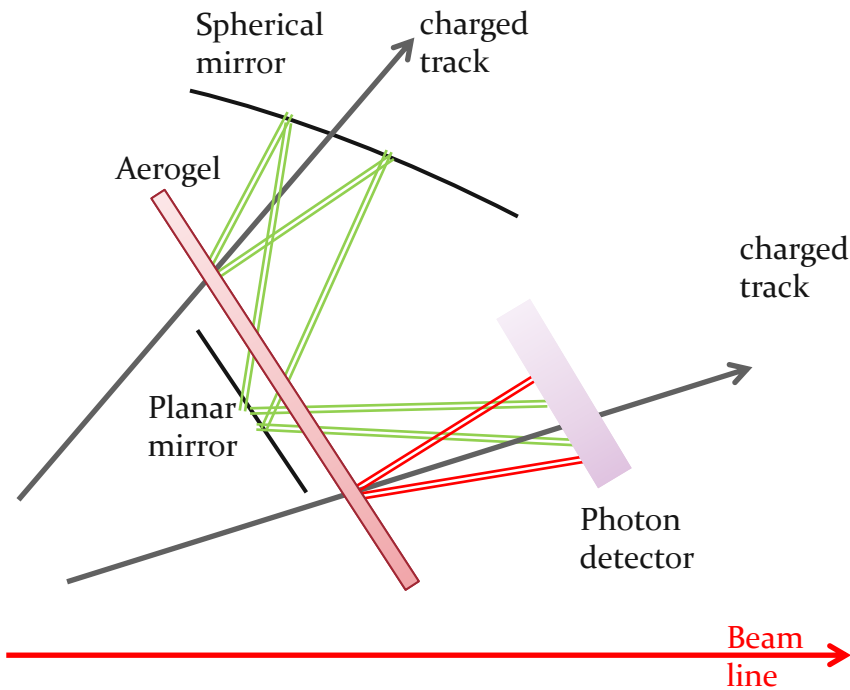
# New Configuration (under study)

One RICH sector must span over  $6 \text{ m}^2$  in order to cover the desired acceptance  
→ (~12000 PMTs) → (very high cost) → use of mirrors to focus photons on small area.

One reflection (HERMES-like) detector is not enough to cover all the acceptance  
→ use dual mirror (“LHCb”-like) detector but with Inward reflection

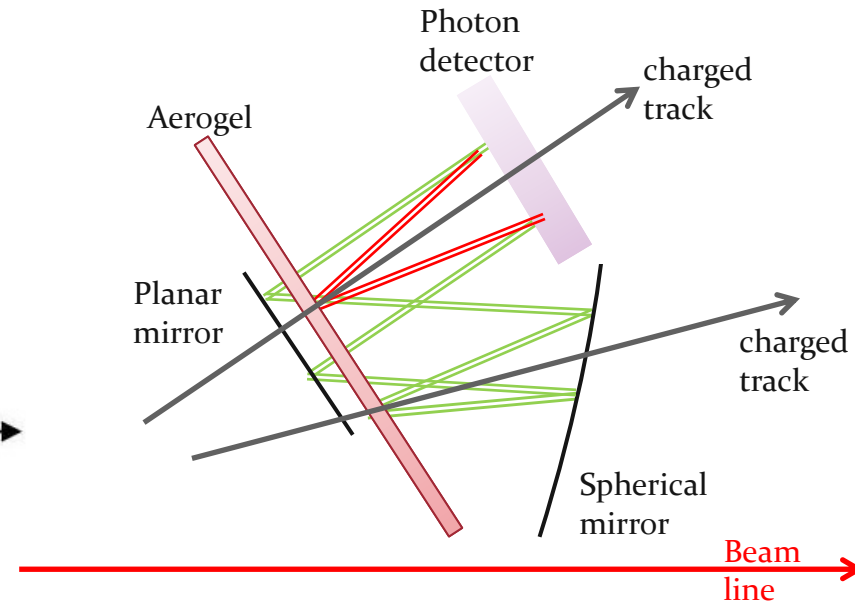


# New Configuration (under study)



**Inward reflection + Direct detection**

- Angular coverage:
  - Direct: 5-12 deg.
  - w/ Reflections: 12-34 deg.
- Reduce the PMT plane area by a factor 3
- PMTs close to beam line Radiation damage



**Outward reflection + Direct detection**

- Angular coverage:
  - Direct: 22-36 deg.
  - w/ Reflections: 5-22 deg.
- Reduce the PMT plane area by a factor 2
- Mirror close to beam line

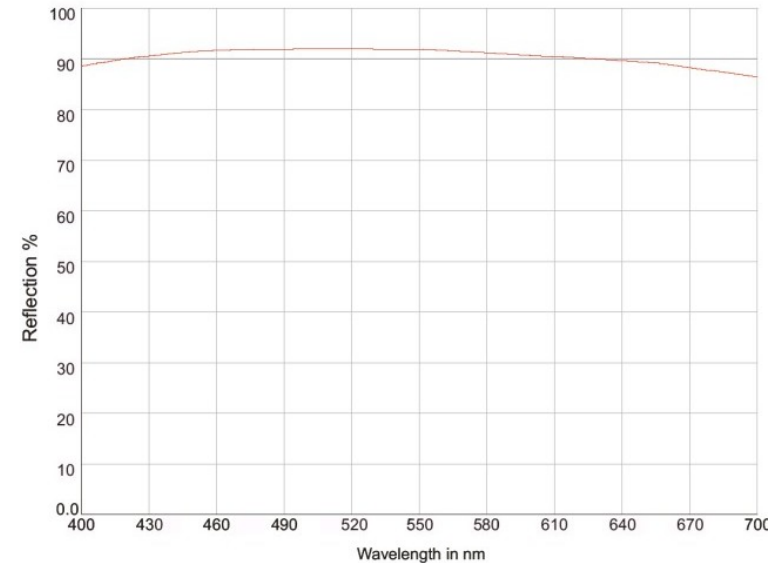
# RICH New Configuration

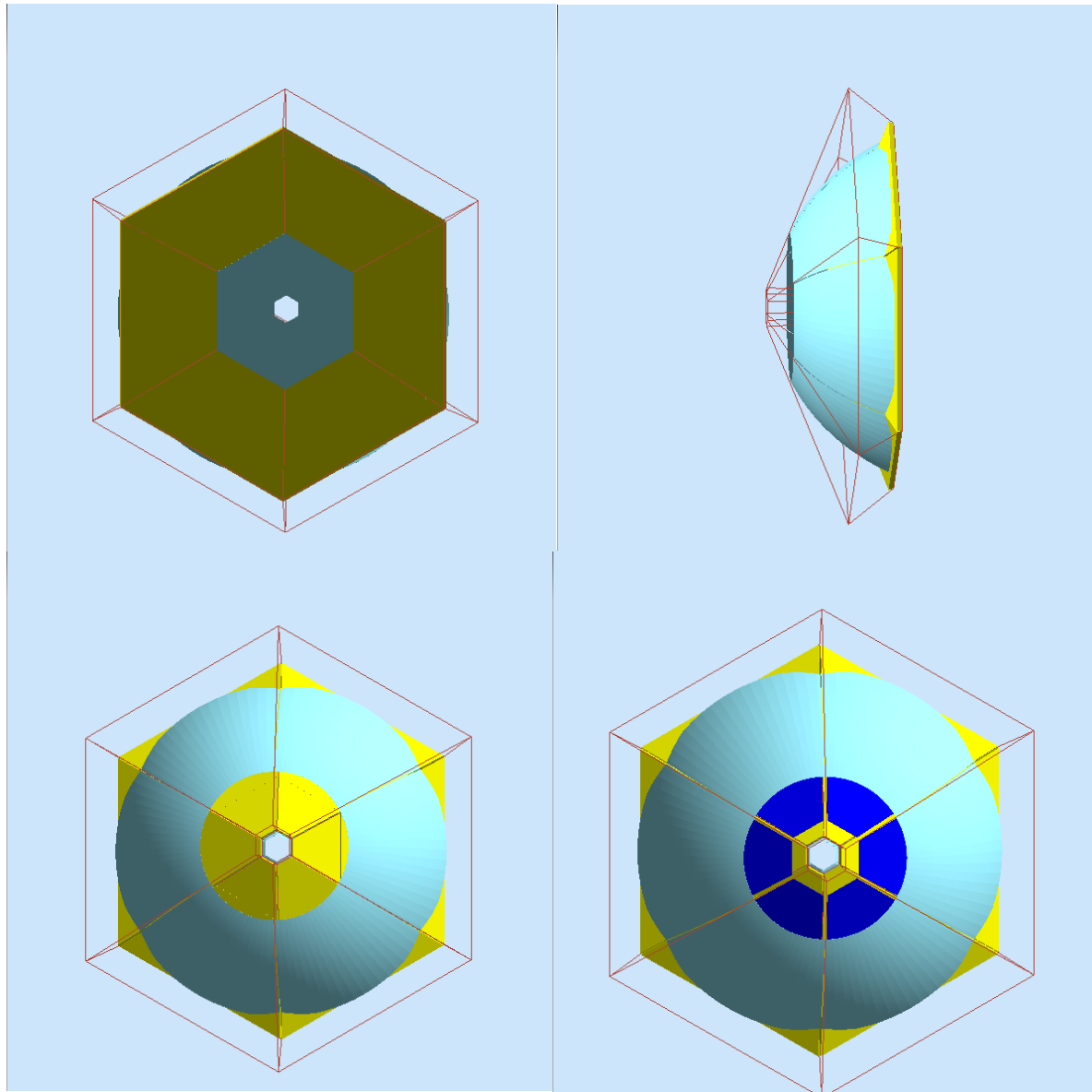
Large Area to reduce the cost of the

| Component        | Volume (cm3) | Material                    |
|------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Rich Body        | 130x460x124  | Aluminum                    |
| Radiator         | 110x400x3    | Aerogel                     |
| Gap              | 120x450x100  | Methane                     |
| Planar Mirror    |              | SiO <sub>2</sub> + Aluminum |
| Spherical Mirror |              | SiO <sub>2</sub> + Aluminum |
| Photon Detector  | 5.2x5.2x2.8  | MAPMT H8500-C               |

- Radiator: Aerogel Ref. index = 1.06
- Gap: Methane
- Mirror: Aluminum+SiO<sub>2</sub>
- PMT: MAPMT H8500-C

Title: Mirror Coating (Aluminium + SiO<sub>2</sub>)  
Material / Specification: R.avg. > 88% @ 450 - 650nm  
Range / Description: MV2





Study of this new configuration is in progress

# Reconstruction Algorithm

The objective of this algorithm is to determine the type of the particle that produce a ring in the RICH detector plane.

T: Track table

$$T \equiv \{(t_i), i = 1..N_{\text{tracks}}\}$$

H: Hypothesis table

$$H \equiv \{(h_j), j = e^-, \pi, K, p\}$$

For each track  $t \in T$  (having a momentum  $p$ ) and for each hypothesis  $h \in H$

- Generate a number of Cerenkov photons around the track.
- Propagate these photons and find where they hit the photon detector plane (DRT)
- Determine  $N_{\text{PH}}^{h,t}(i)$  the number of photons that hit the  $i^{\text{th}}$  PMT

The probability to hit the  $i^{\text{th}}$  PMT

$$P^{h,t}(i) = \frac{N_{\text{PH}}^{h,t}(i)}{N_{\text{PH}}^{h,t}}, \text{ where } N_{\text{PH}}^{h,t} = \sum_i N_{\text{PH}}^{h,t}(i) \quad \text{“hit probability distribution”}.$$

A realistic probability should take into account detector efficiency, detector acceptance,...

$$N_{\text{PE}}^{h,t}(i) = n^{h,t} P^{h,t}(i)$$

# Reconstruction Algorithm

Where  $n^{h,t}$  is the total number of photoelectrons expected for the (h,t) ring and  $N_{PE}^{h,t}(i)$  is the mean number of photoelectrons in the  $i^{th}$  PMT

$$n^{h,t} = n_0^{h,t} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2 n^2}}{1 - \frac{1}{n^2}}, \quad n_0^{h,t} \approx 8$$

Assuming a Poisson distribution of the photoelectrons  $N_{PE}^{h,t}(i)$  the probability that the  $i^{th}$  PMT will respond can be evaluated as:

$$P_{PMT}^{h,t}(i) = 1 - \exp(-N_{PE}^{h,t}(i) - B(i))$$

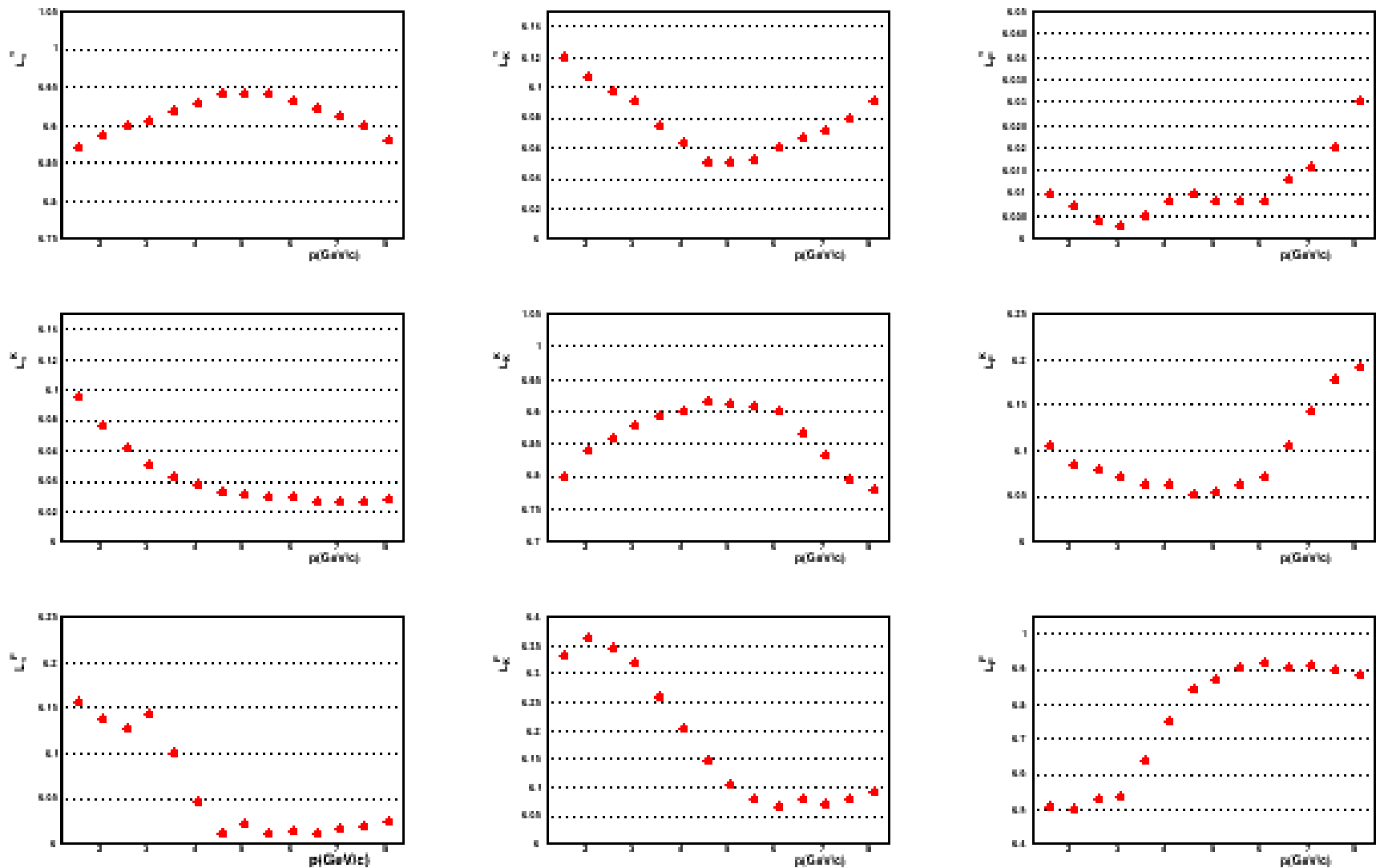
and finally the probability that the hypothesis h is true can be estimated as

$$L^{h,t} = \sum_i \log \left( P_{PMT}^{h,t}(i) C_{PMT}(i) + \bar{P}_{PMT}^{h,t}(i) (1 - C_{PMT}(i)) \right)$$

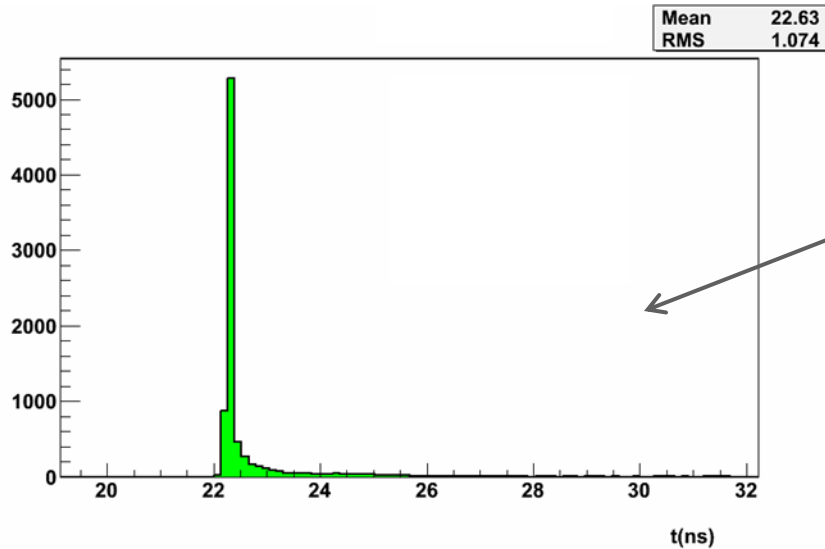
$C_{PMT}(i)$  is 1(0) if the  $i^{th}$  PMT did(did not) respond in the observed hit pattern (MC)

The hypothesis which maximizes the likelihood  $L^{h,t}$  will be considered as particle identification.

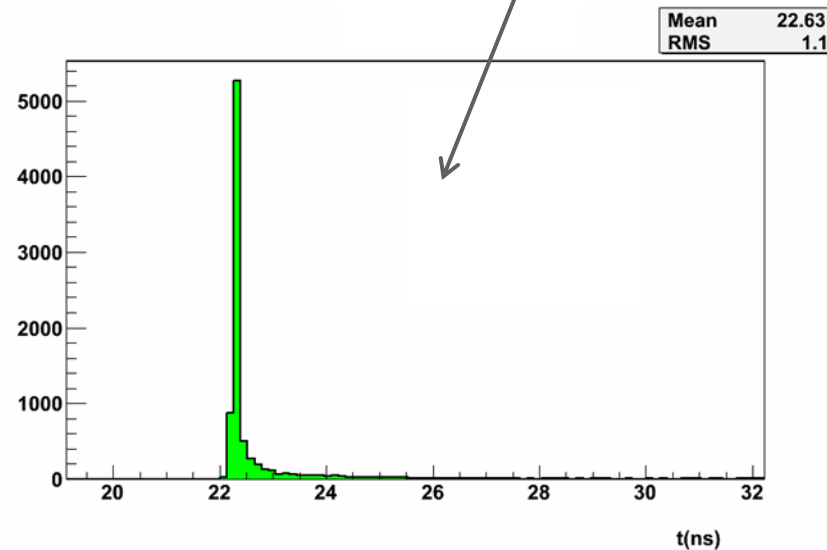
# Normalized Likelihood for direct detection



# Impact of RICH Material on TOF

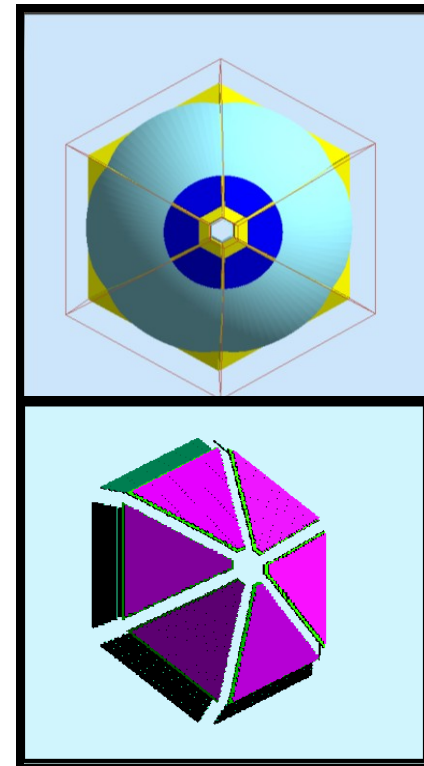


TOF distribution for 2.5 GeV pions  
Without and with RICH



No significant difference  
between both plot

The effect of RICH material  
on TOF distribution is  
negligible



# Collaborators

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26 collaborators are participating to is project

| INSTITUTIONS                                                | Researchers |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>ARGONNE IL</b>                                           | 3           |
| <b>INFN</b><br>Bari, Ferrara, Genova,<br>Frascati, Roma/ISS | 13          |
| <b>GLASGOW U.</b>                                           | 2           |
| <b>JLAB</b>                                                 | 2           |
| <b>U. CONN</b>                                              | 3           |
| <b>UTFSM (Chile)</b>                                        | 3           |

# Conclusion

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- Simulation has showed that a 3 cm thick Aerogel with a refractive index of  $n=1.06$ , a 100 cm length gap and a pixel size less than  $1 \times 1 \text{ cm}^2$  offers an acceptable separating power and a large number of photoelectrons
- The Reconstruction Algorithm seems to work very well. Its generalization to the dual mirror case is in progress
- Test of various types of MAPMT is underway (Glasgow, INFN-Frascati)
  - Uniformity of the pixel-to-pixel gain
  - Uniformity of the gain within the pixel
  - Study of the single photon response
  - Gain with non perpendicular light
  - Magnetic field effect

see talk by B. Seitz, june 11

**Thank you !**

# CLAS12 Physics Program

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Study of Boer-Mulders effect with kaons

Studies of Kotzinian-Mulders effect with kaons

Studies of partonic distributions using semi inclusive production of kaons



# One reflection case

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