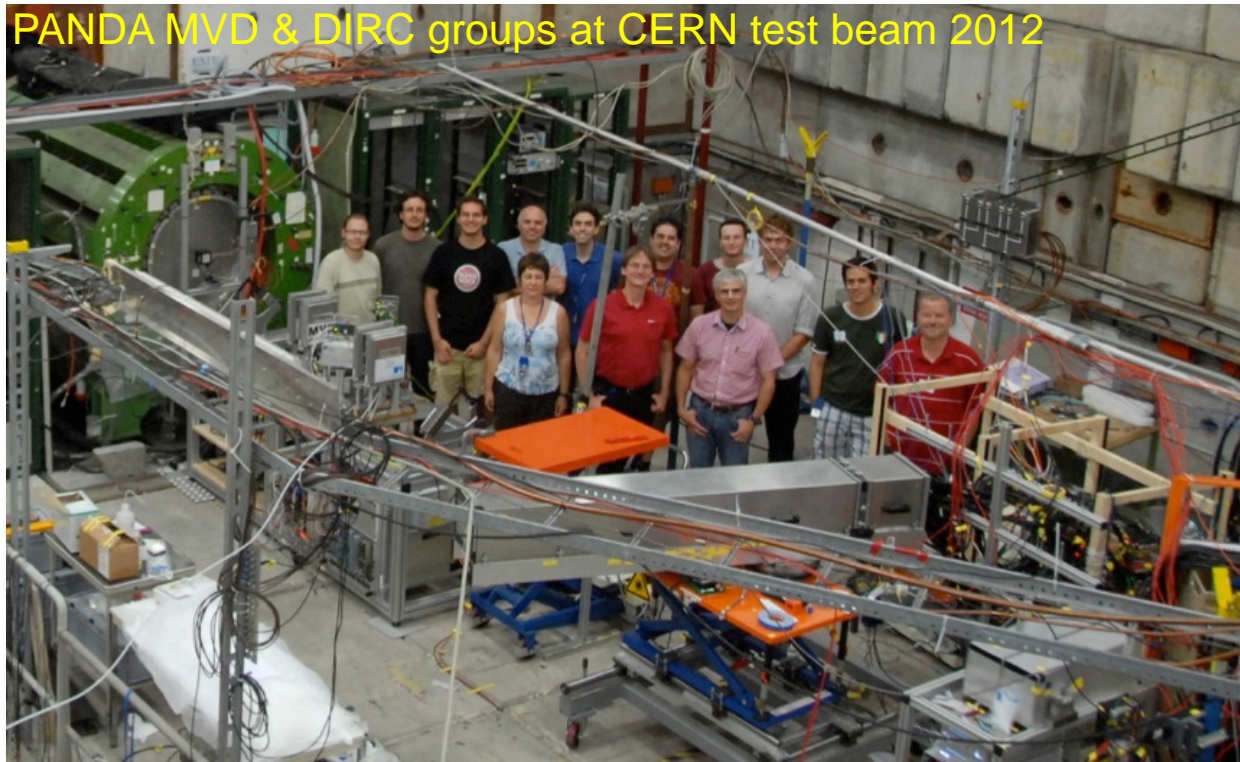


# PANDA BARREL DIRC

## T9 TEST BEAM

### AUG 10 – SEP 3, 2012

PANDA MVD & DIRC groups at CERN test beam 2012



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Test beam ended about  
one week ago, so today:  
just some pictures

*On behalf of the DIRCies who  
were at CERN for the test beam:*

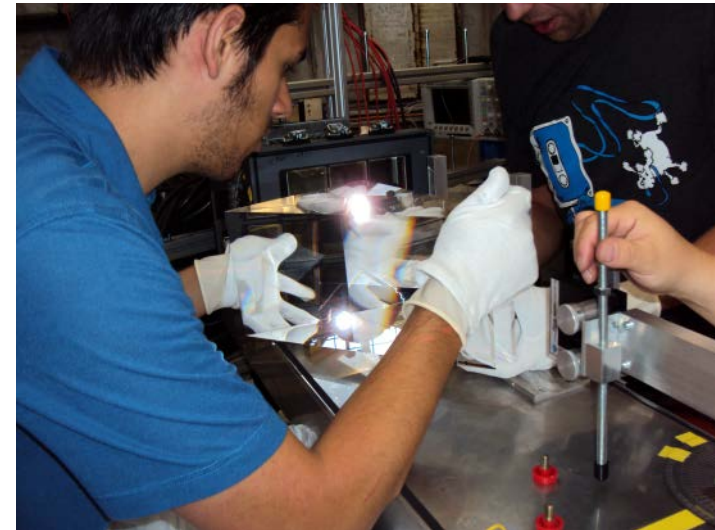
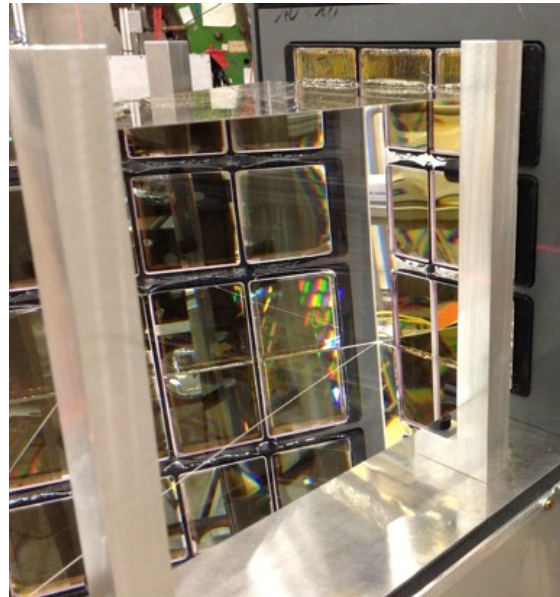
*Erlangen: Albert, Alex, Fred  
GSI: Andreas, Carsten, Doro,  
Georg, Greg, JS, Maria, Marko*

**Goal:**

Verify design concepts in particle beam at T9  
→ Cherenkov angle resolution, photon yield,  
 $\pi/K/p$  particle identification

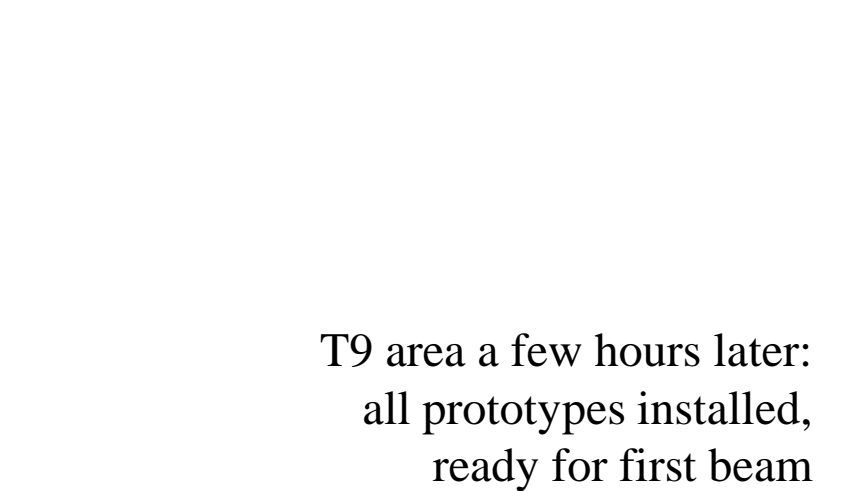
**Top priorities in 2012:**

First look at prism as compact expansion volume,  
plate as an alternative to bar geometry.





T9 area after CLAS12 departure  
on Friday, Aug 10, 11am



T9 area a few hours later:  
all prototypes installed,  
ready for first beam



MCP-TOF station 1&2 (*Erlangen*)

SciTil

Fiber Tracker station 1&2 (*Mainz*)

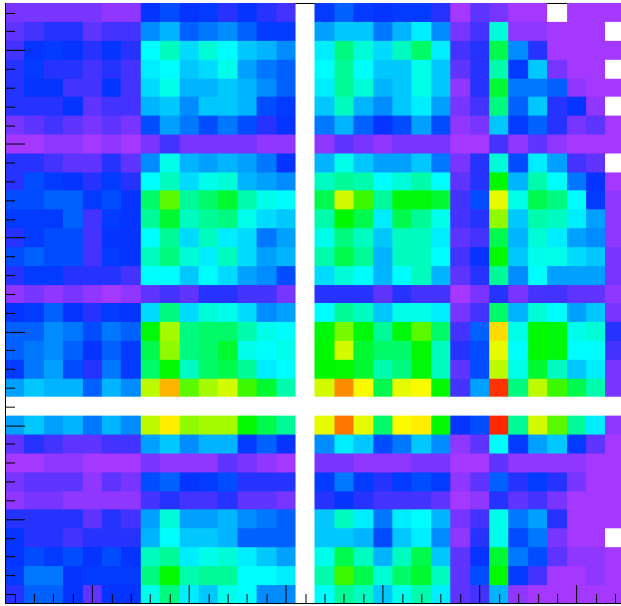
Barrel DIRC

- Aug 8: pre-assembly in storage area behind T9.
- Aug 10: move prototypes into T9, safety approval.
- Aug 10-20: all prototypes taking data.
- Aug 20: MVD completes program, prototype removed from T9, DIRC setup rearranged.
- Aug 20-Sep 3: DIRC, TOF, SciTil continue run.
- Sep 3, 11am: End of run.

Barrel DIRC wrote ~220M triggers to disk.

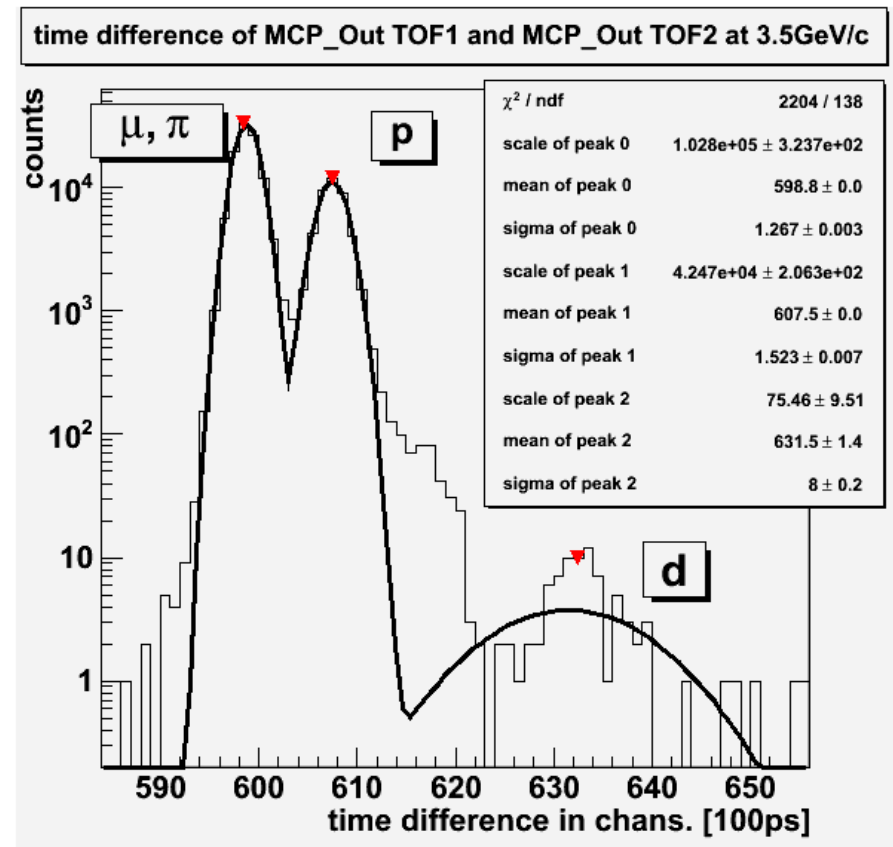
*Thanks to our MVD colleagues for the excellent cooperation.*

Cave layout on Aug 21.



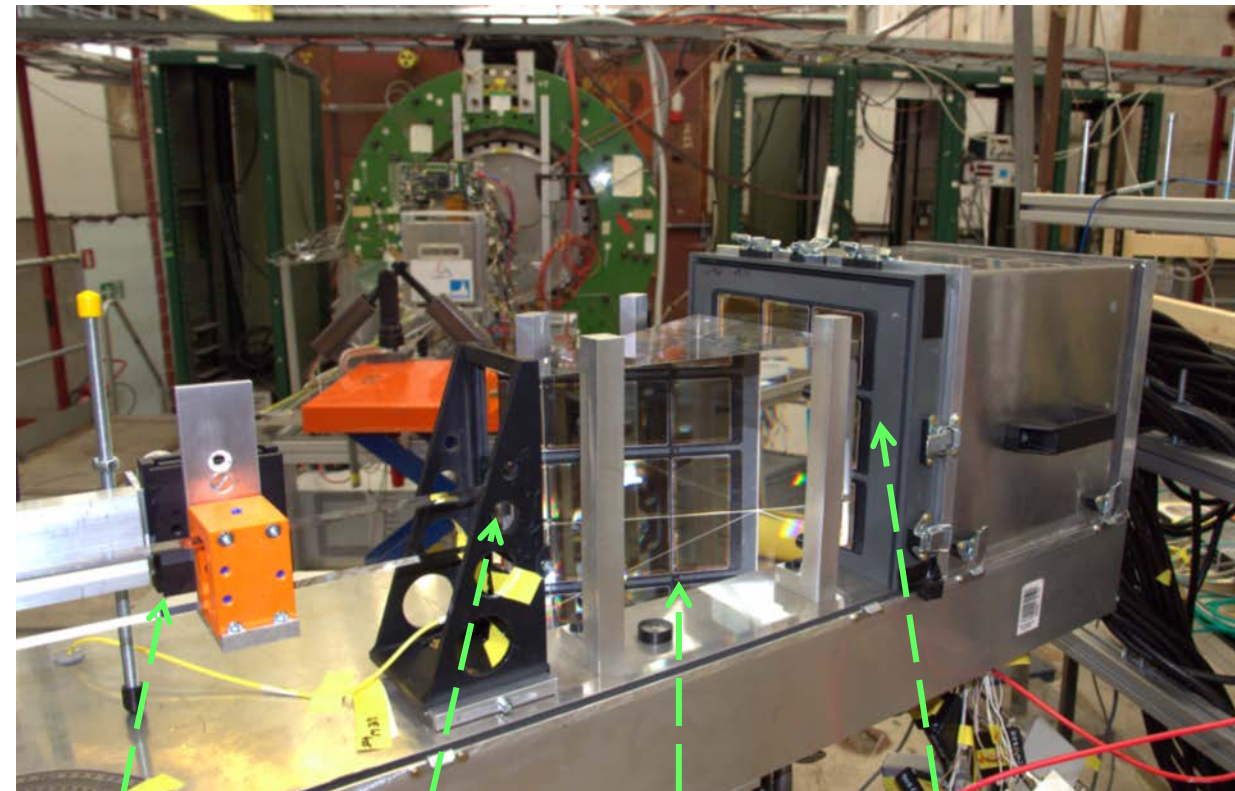
Online hit map from fiber tracker

→ 3D tracking for DIRC,  
reduce error on track angle,  
correct beam divergence



Time of flight information using two MCP-PMTs,  
particles producing Cherenkov light  
on small radiator block and inside MCP

→ low-momentum PID, enhance rings in DIRC



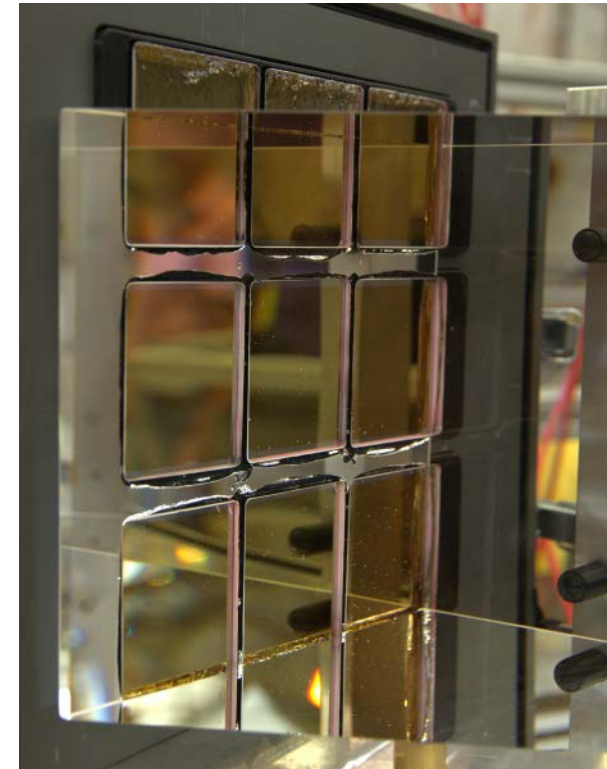
Bar

Lens

Prism  
 $17 \times 20 \times 30 \text{ cm}^3$ 

9 MCPs

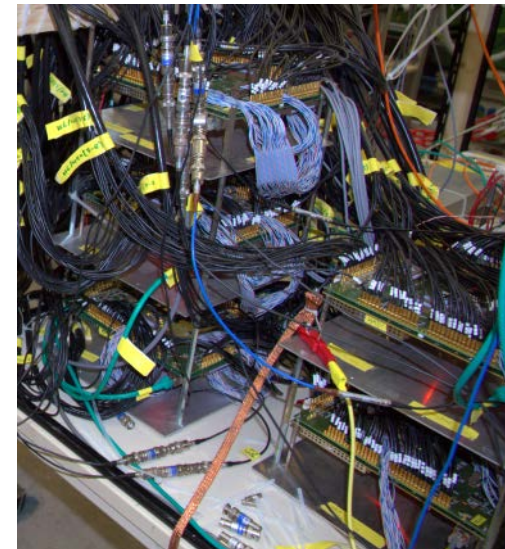
Prism coupled to MCP  
with EJ-550 grease





DIRC rings imaged onto  
9 Planacon MCPs (576 pixels)

Total of 896 channels in DAQ  
(7 TRBs with TOF addOns)



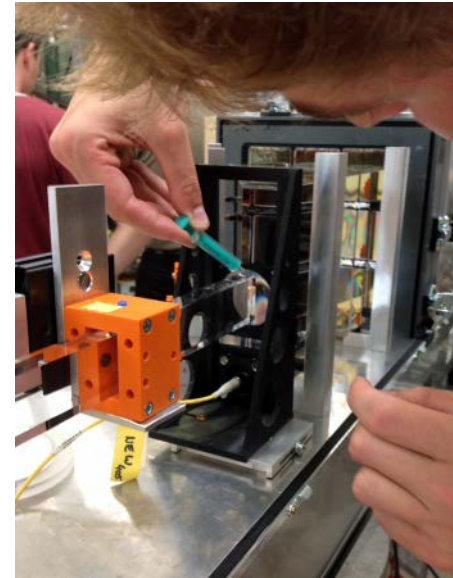
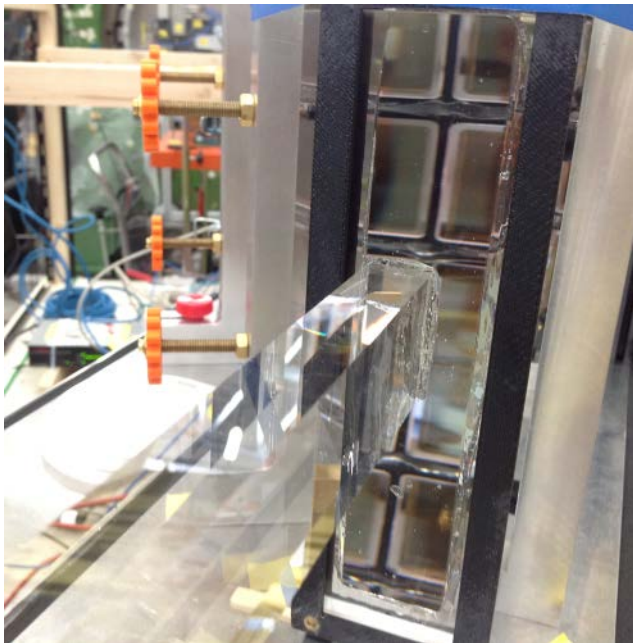
*Thanks to our HADES colleagues for help with the DAQ.*



Bar coupled to A/R coated  
spherical lens  
with grease and  
with matching liquid



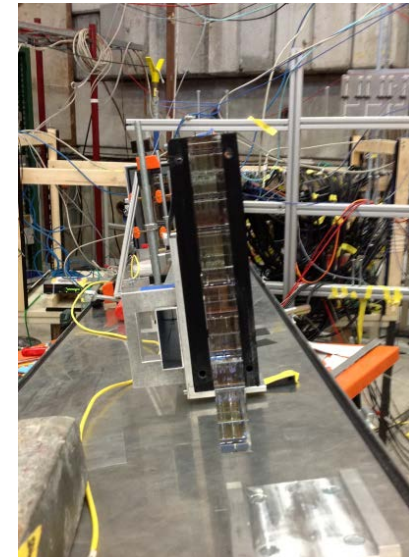
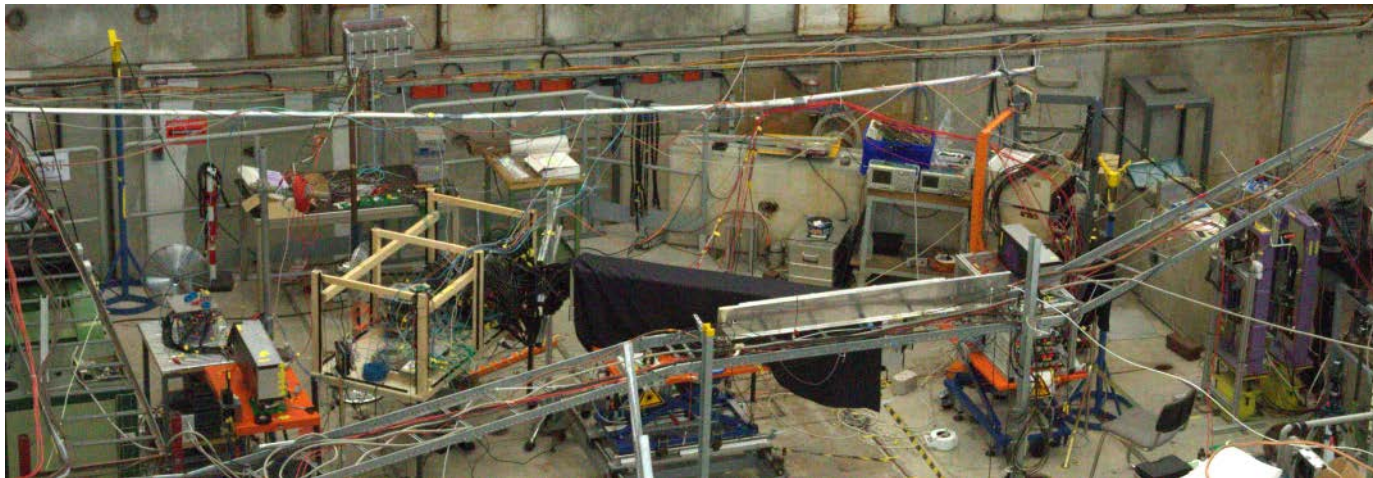
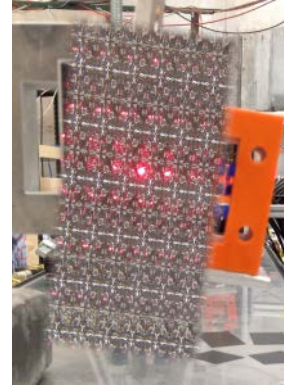
Bar and lens coupled to high-refractive index  
cylindrical compound lens (works without air gap)

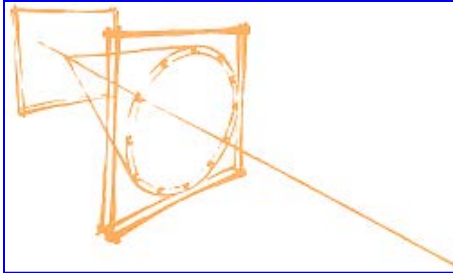




## Varied many critical parameters

- Plate vs. bar
- Lens types and coatings
- Bar manufacturer  
(InSync, LZOS, Zeiss, Lithotec)
- Beam momentum
- Polar angle of beam to bar/plate
- Beam position (x&z) on bar/plate
- Fused silica vs. acrylic
- Positioning of bar/plate on prism
- Azimuth angle of beam to bar/plate
- and more...





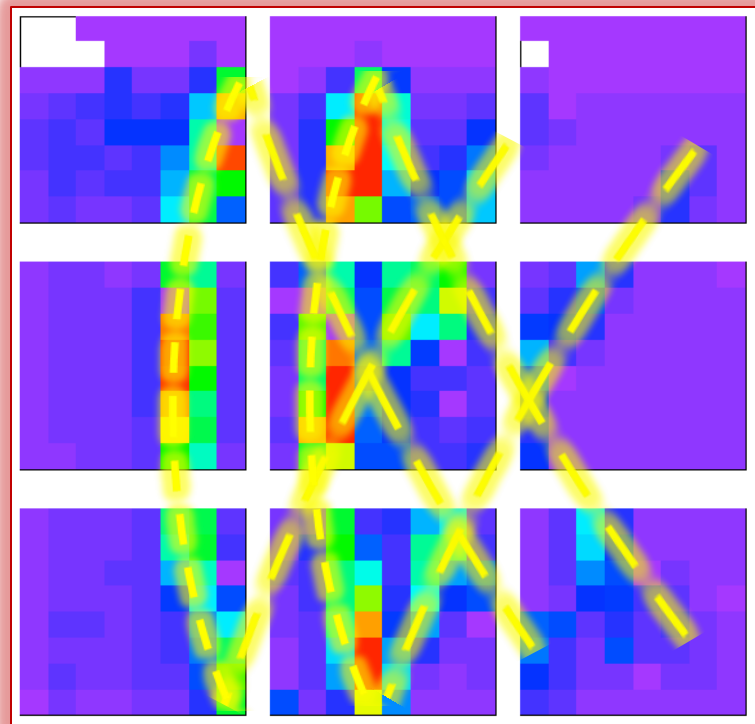
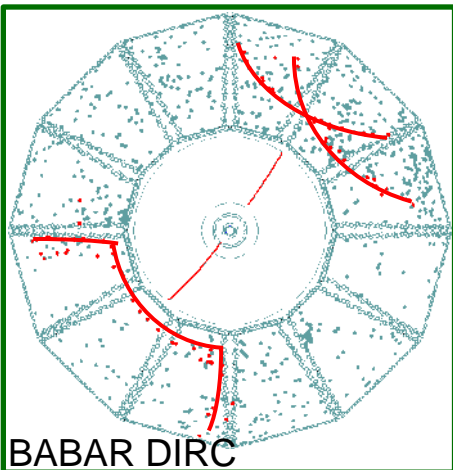
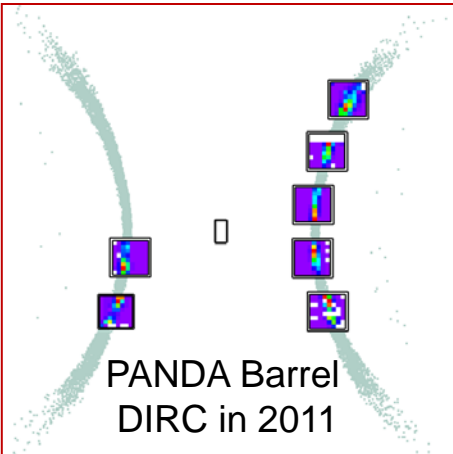
DIRC hit patterns do not look like your typical RICH detector

Ring image gets folded due to propagation in bar/plate

Part of the ring escapes, not totally internally reflected

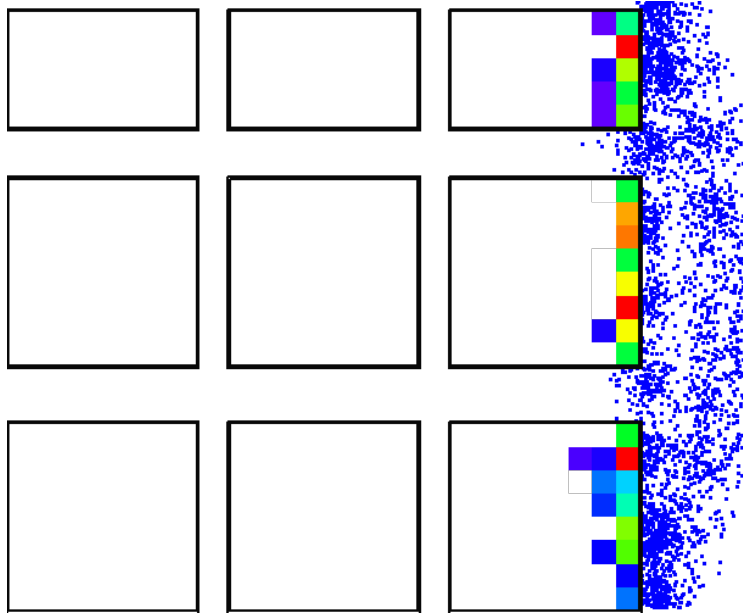
→ broken rings, complex, disjoint images

What do we see in 2012 with the prism?



“Fishes”

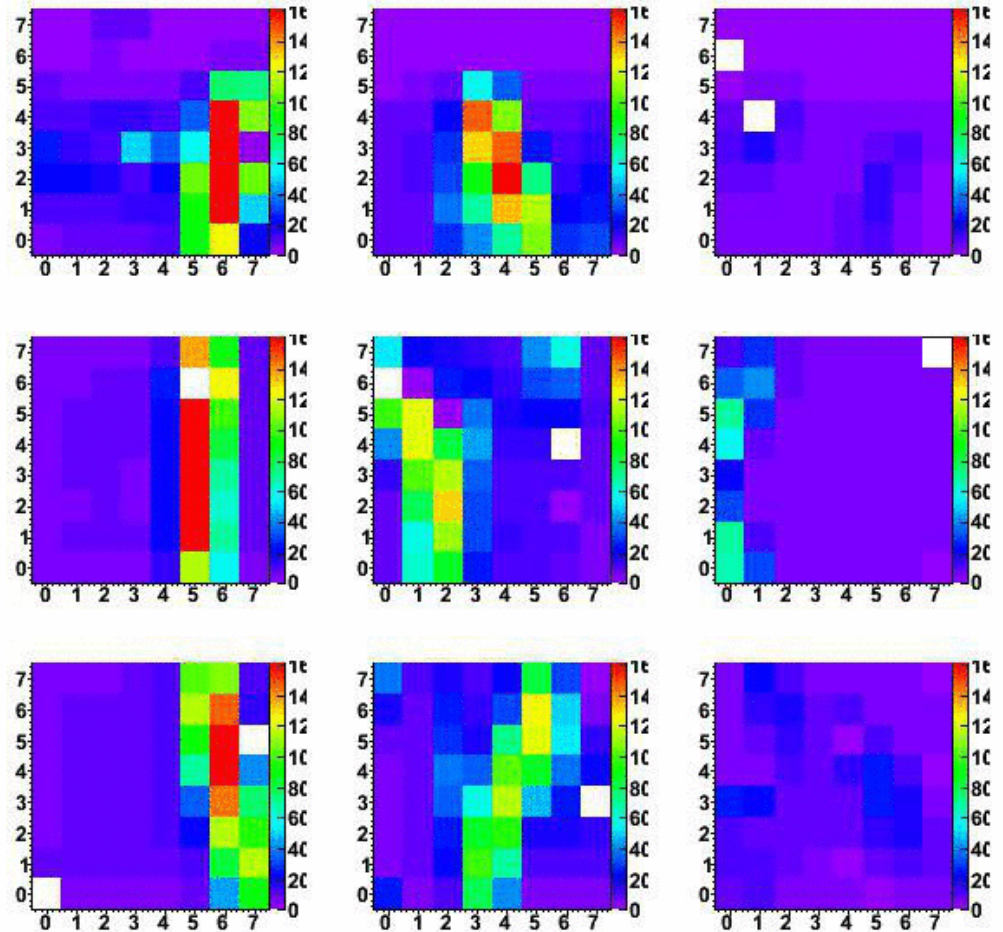
Simulation: polar angles 20-80 deg



dots: photon hit position; histogram: pixel occupancy

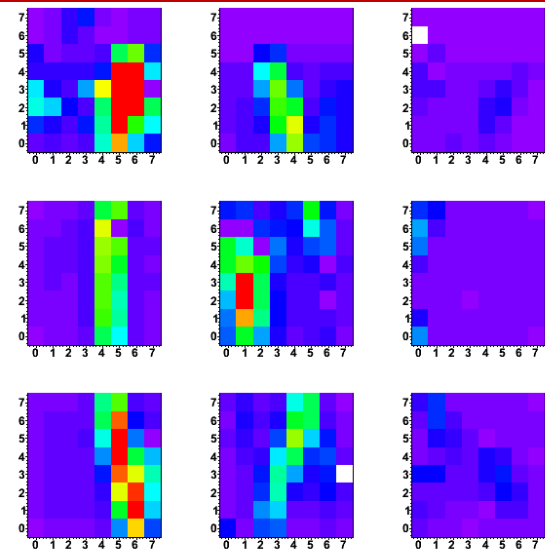
*(Sorry, Greg's "swimming fishes" animated gifs work only in ppt version of talk.)*

Data: polar angles around 55 deg

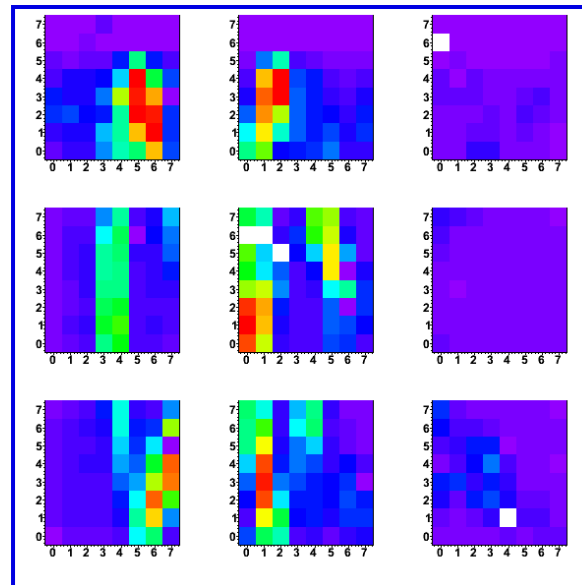


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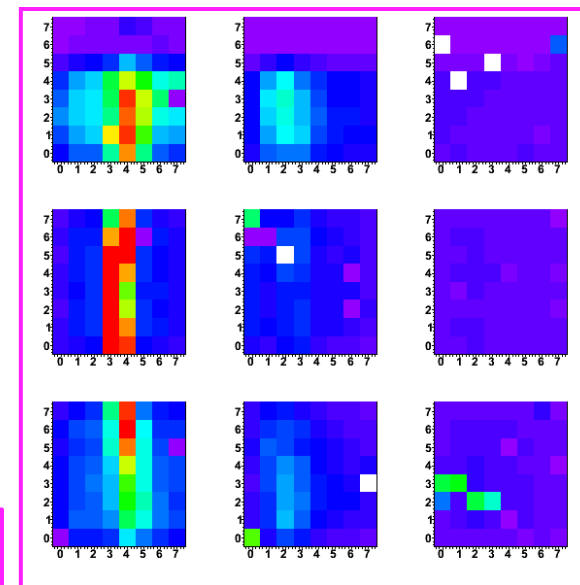
InSync bar



LZOS bar



InSync plate



220M triggers with many interesting parameter changes.

Very rich data set, lots of work ahead.

Hope to have first results for talk at IEEE NSS 2012 on Oct 31<sup>st</sup> – stay tuned...