# **Status and Plans mRICH**

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#### Overview

- What is mCBM?
- What is mRICH?
- You like Aerogel?
- Correlations between detectors
- Buffer conundrum



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STS

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target





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goals:

- get free-streaming readout running
- Testing of the readout electronics
- General working of detectors at high-rate lacksquare







#### mRICH



Figure 6.1: Schematic drawing of a side view of the inner mRICH detector. All main parts of the detector as well as the production of Cherenkov photons in the aerogel block are shown.

ref: Adrian Weber







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#### New data (all panels)

- Run: 2907
- 2.5mm thickness (thick target)
- Au-Au
- Beam intensity: 2.5e+7 Hz
- Events: 4.7E+6

CenterX vs CenterY 20 12 - 10 10 8 Frequency 0 6 -10 --20 0 -10-5 10 5 0 centerX [cm]









#### No of Hits/Ring comparing with 2.5 years ago

Upper half



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#### Lower half





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Comparing mean value across time

 $\mu_o = 12.4$ 

 $\mu_n = 12.1$ 

#### Lower half



 $\mu_n = 11.1$ 



# **Correlating TRD hits with mRICH rings**



1 TRD hit  $\Rightarrow$  Cluster of TRD readouts

nTrdHitPosition					
tries 189	473050				
an x	7.049				
an y	-3.350				
an z	164.7				
l Dev x	25.57				
l Dev y	25.94				
l Dev z	18.68				



Rich Ring  $\Rightarrow$  Ring of RICH readouts



#### **Time correlations**



T (RICH - TRD) ns

#### Defined reasonable time cuts

cut index	Tlow	$T_{high}$
0	-00	<b>oo</b>
1	-200	200
2	40	100
3	<mark>50</mark>	90
4	60	80







## **Spatial correlation Y**



Rich Ring vs Trd Hit Y correlation (Z2T0)

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Time cut 3





#### **Spatial correlation X**





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- 40

- 20

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#### Successfully correlated!!













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- 2 possible solutions
  - Higher CRI rate
  - Larger buffer size



#### **Tested solution: Higher CRI rate**



#### **Possible Saturation**

2914: Au-Au March 2024



**No Saturation (probably)** 

3096: Ni-Ni May 2024



## **Summary and Plans for mini-RICH**

#### Summary

- Successfully revived the mini-RICH detector after a two-year hiatus.
- Verified the functionality of the aerogel plates.
- Established correlations between the mini-RICH and mini-TRD systems.
- Identified and addressed buffer management challenges. (partial solution)

#### **Future Plans**

- Integrate the mini-RICH detector into the tracking system.
  - Correlations with mini-STS, mini-TOF, etc (almost done)
- Optimize mini-RICH at high interaction rates.
  - Performance
  - Stability (not the biggest problem in CBM)
- Explore alternative buffer management strategies.
- Testing MAPMT  $\Rightarrow$  SIPMs (Jesus Pena Rodriguez, Wuppertal)
- Test a new advanced readout DAQ scheme for the DIRICH modules.
  - Under development

• Recompile and test the firmware for more buffer (Simon Reiter, Giessen)

Working on an alignment procedure for mCBM which can be used in CBM later on.



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#### **Backup slides**

#### A few random channels





#### Channel output distribution per packet (0x7010\_6)



Frequency





#### **Detector synchronization**

- Goal: find a set of time offsets given offsets between detectors along with errors.
- Novel Synchronization Method
- Uses matrix formulation
- Uses Gradient Descent to find a good solution





#### Simulation

- 1. Start with a random offset vector
- 2. Make correlation matrix -
- 3. Add noise [== f(resolution)] to the co
- 4. find a offset vector
  - a. Linear method (read the first row)
  - b. Matrix method (Gradient Descent)
- 5. Put the Loss of both offset vector in l
  - a. For the original correlation matrix
  - b. For the noisy correlation matrix

 $\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i,j} \frac{C_{ij}}{\sqrt{\sigma_i^2 + \sigma_j^2}}$ 

, ∧[a1, a2, a3, a4,	a5]					
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	Var3	0.098675	-0.10168	0	0.049934	0.1
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$$|C_{ij}| \qquad \mathcal{L}_2 = \sum_{i,j} C_{ij}^2 \qquad \mathcal{L}_3 = \sum_{i,j} \frac{|C_{ij}|}{\sigma_i - \sigma_i}$$

#### **Gradient Descent**







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#### Simulation: 7 detectors with 6 ns resolution



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