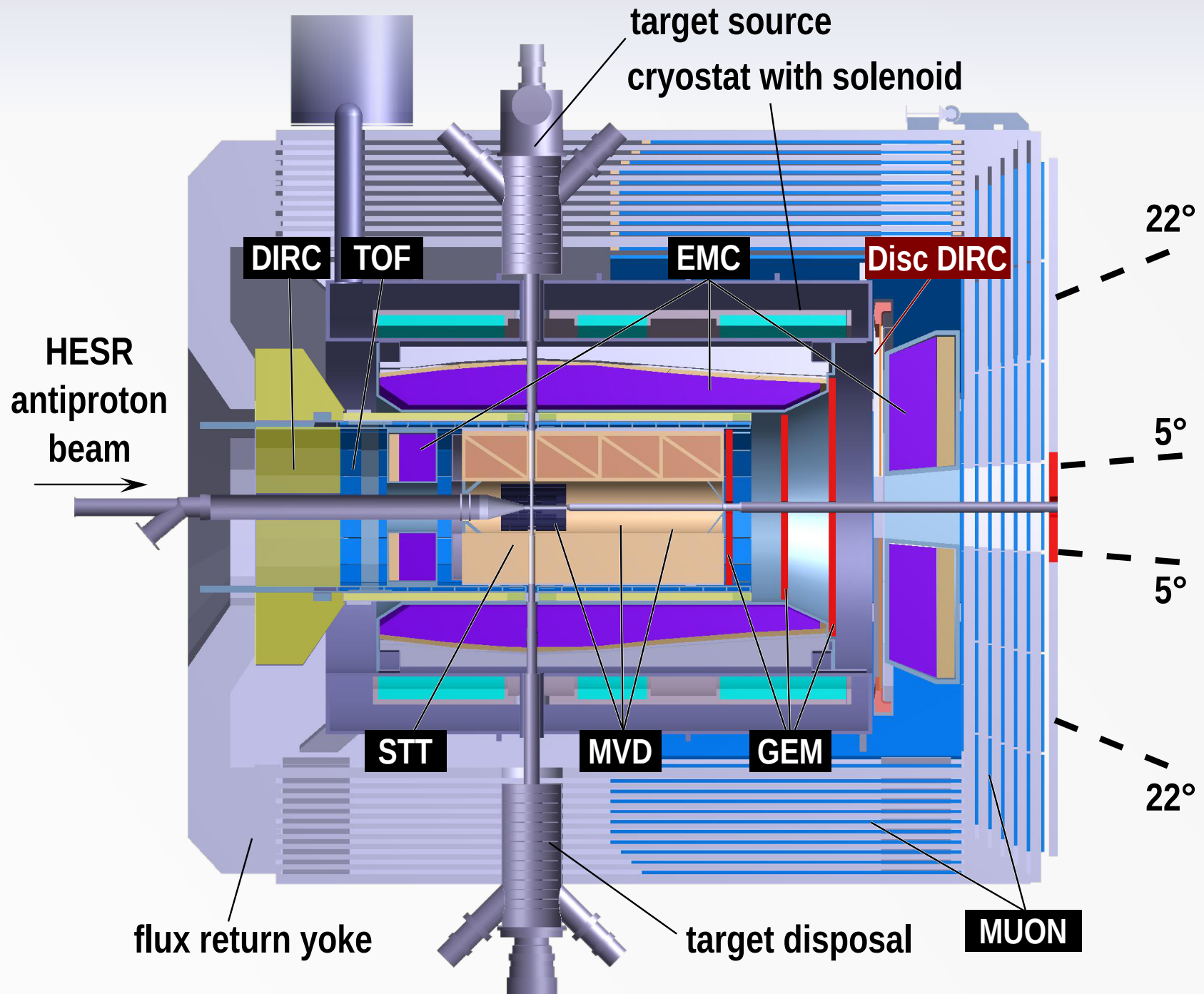
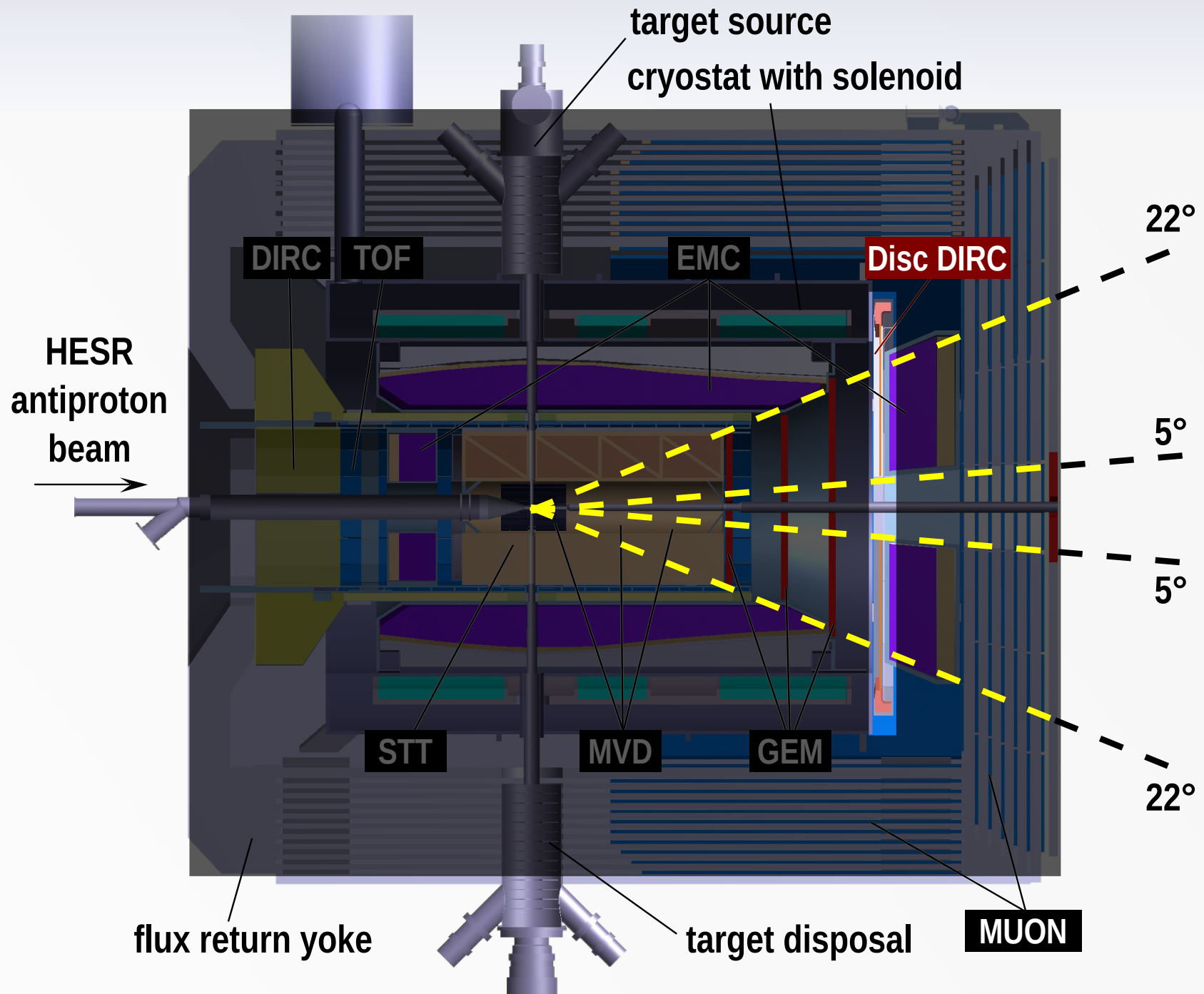


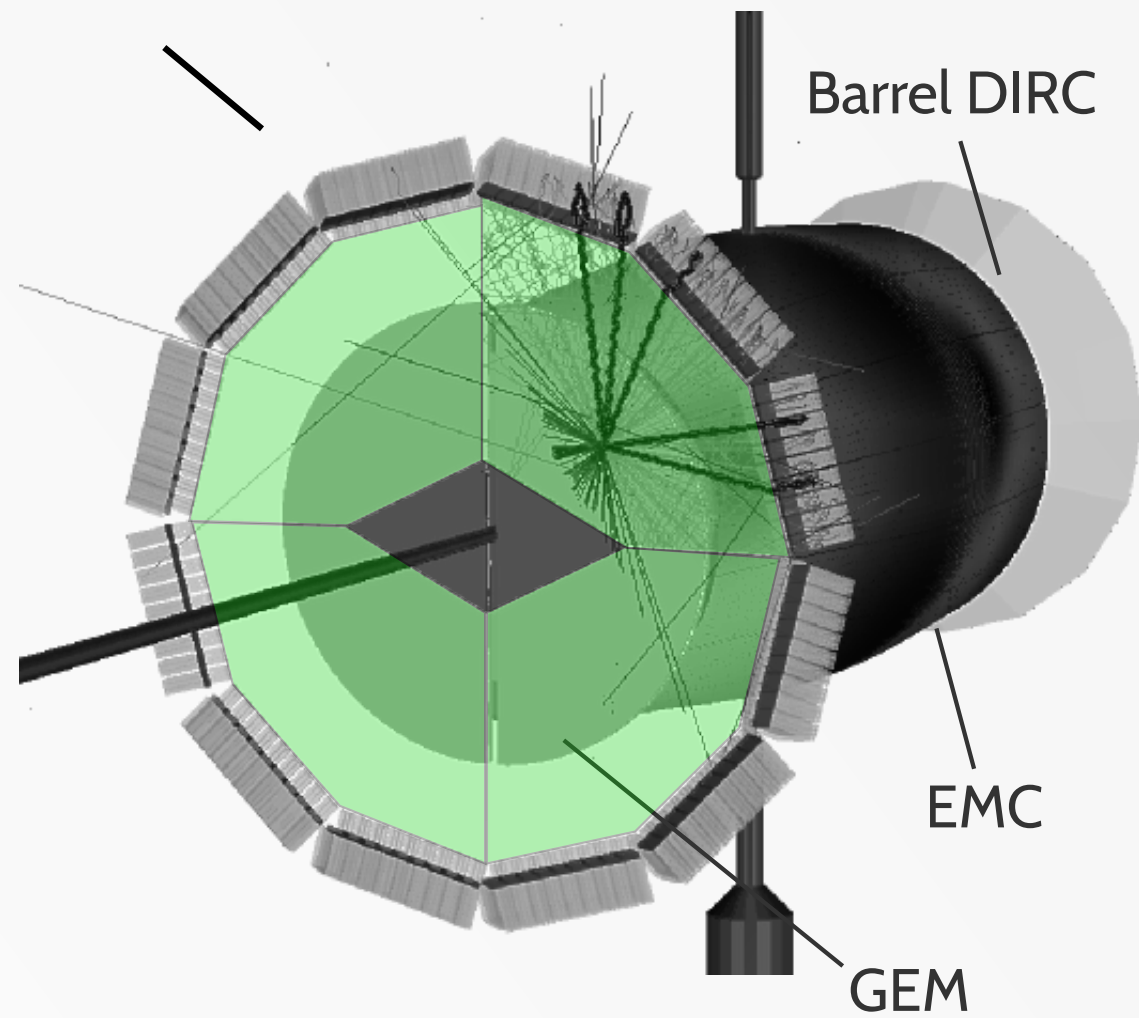
# The Disc DIRC Detector

for the PANDA experiment  
at FAIR

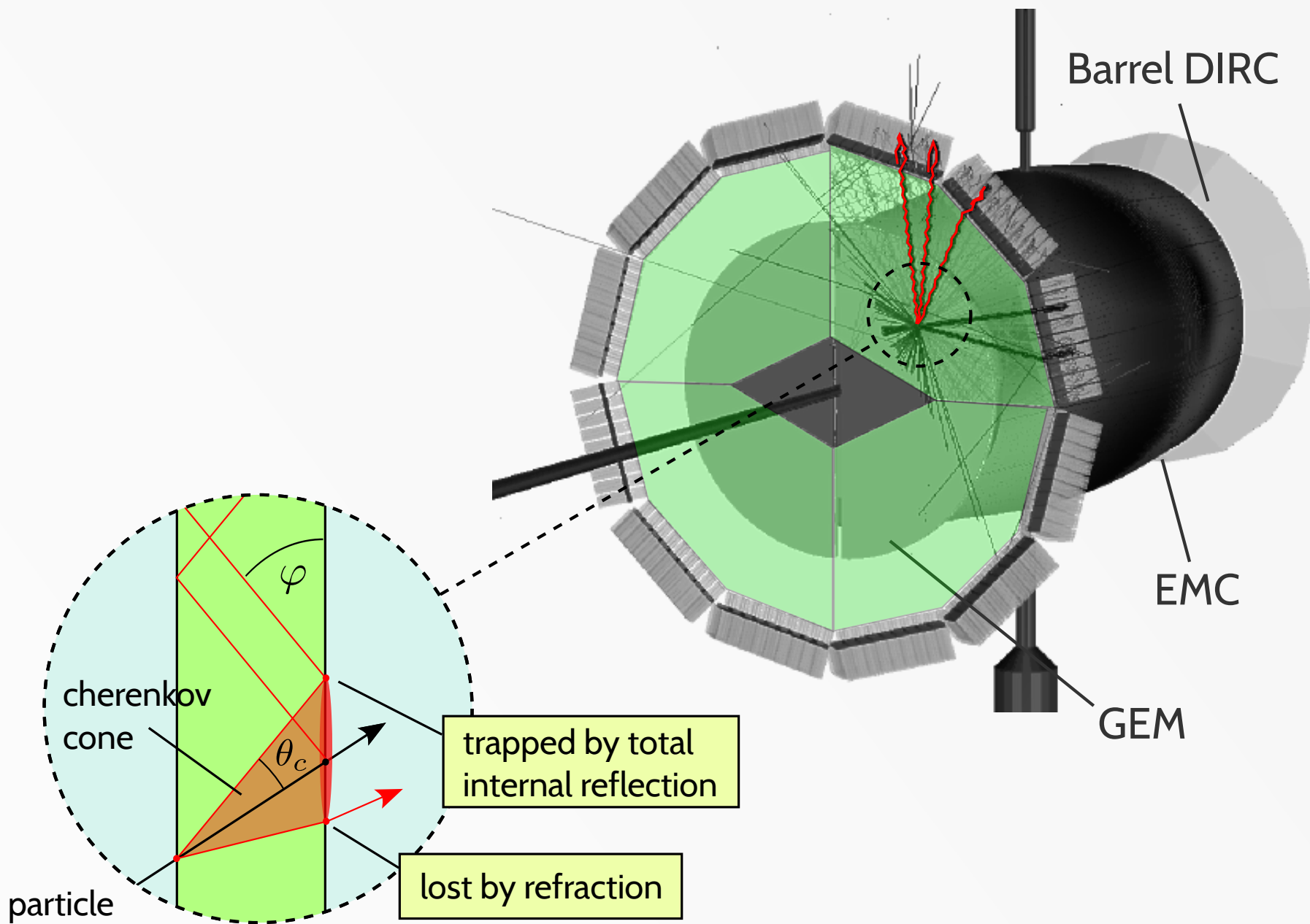




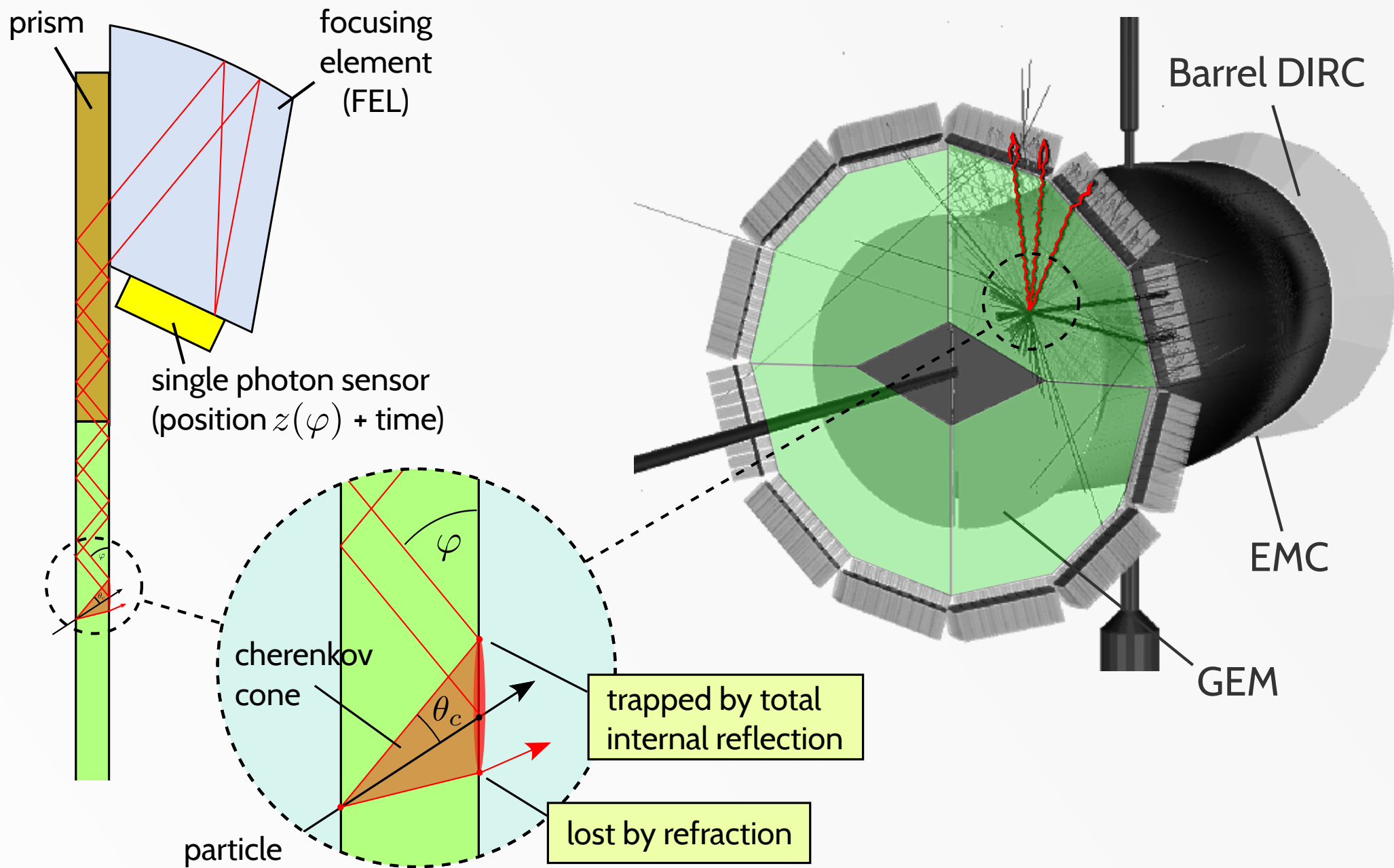
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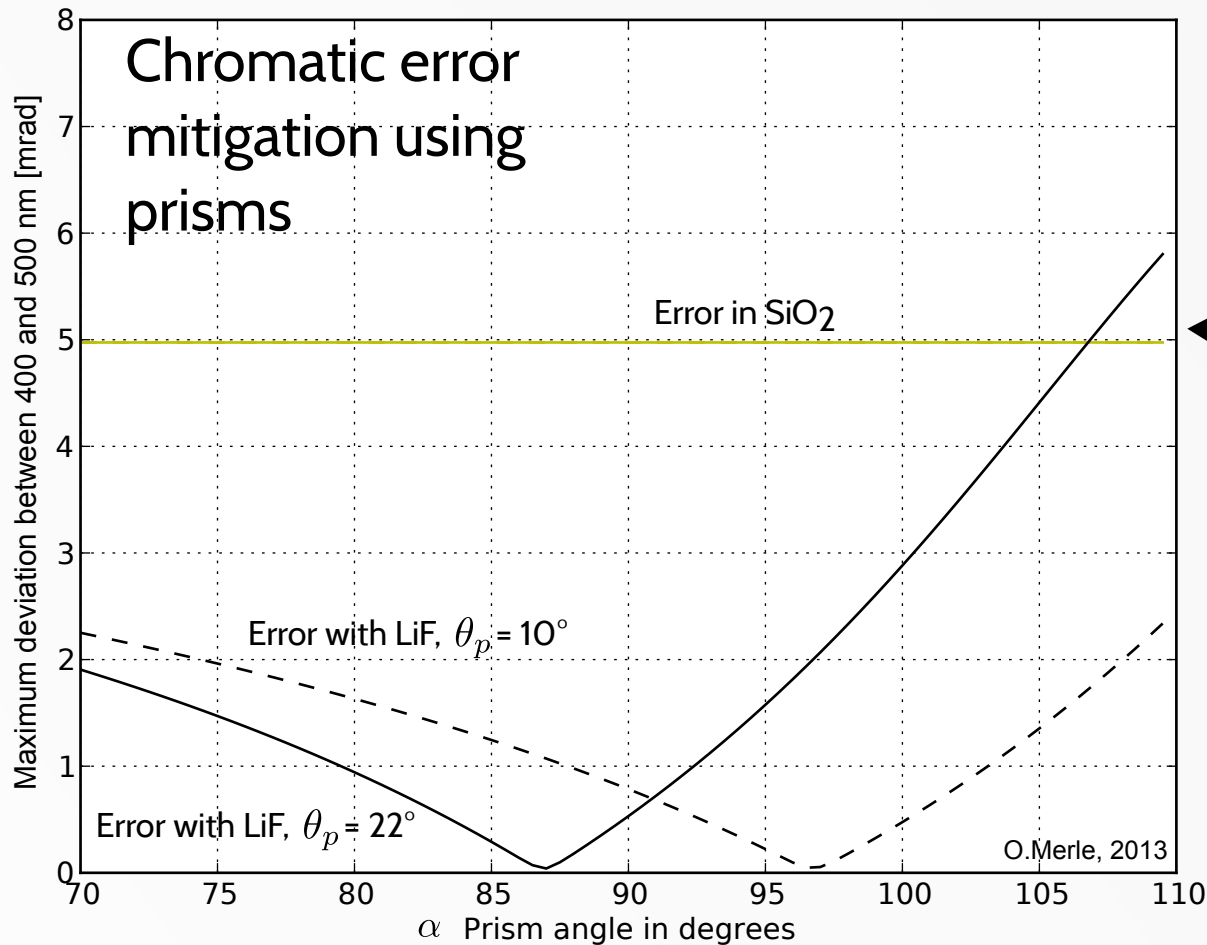
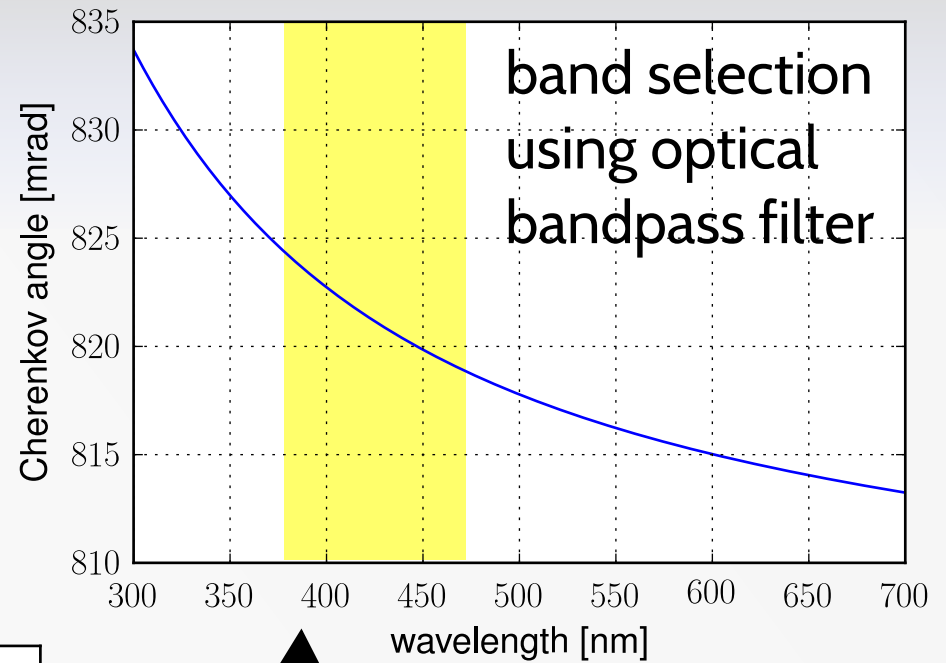
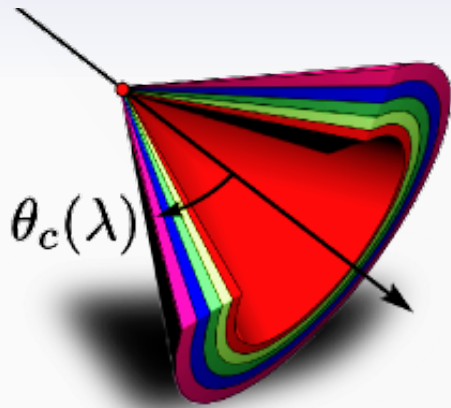
# Working principle



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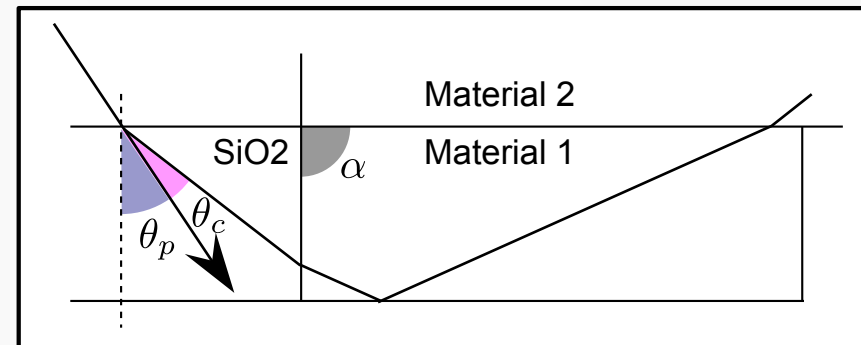


# Dispersion correction



Filter: - corrects time and angle  
- reduces photon count

Prism: - corrects only the angle  
- just fresnel losses



# Challenges

magnetic field: 1-2 T

avg. interaction rate  $\sim 10$  MHz

peak rate  $> 20$  MHz

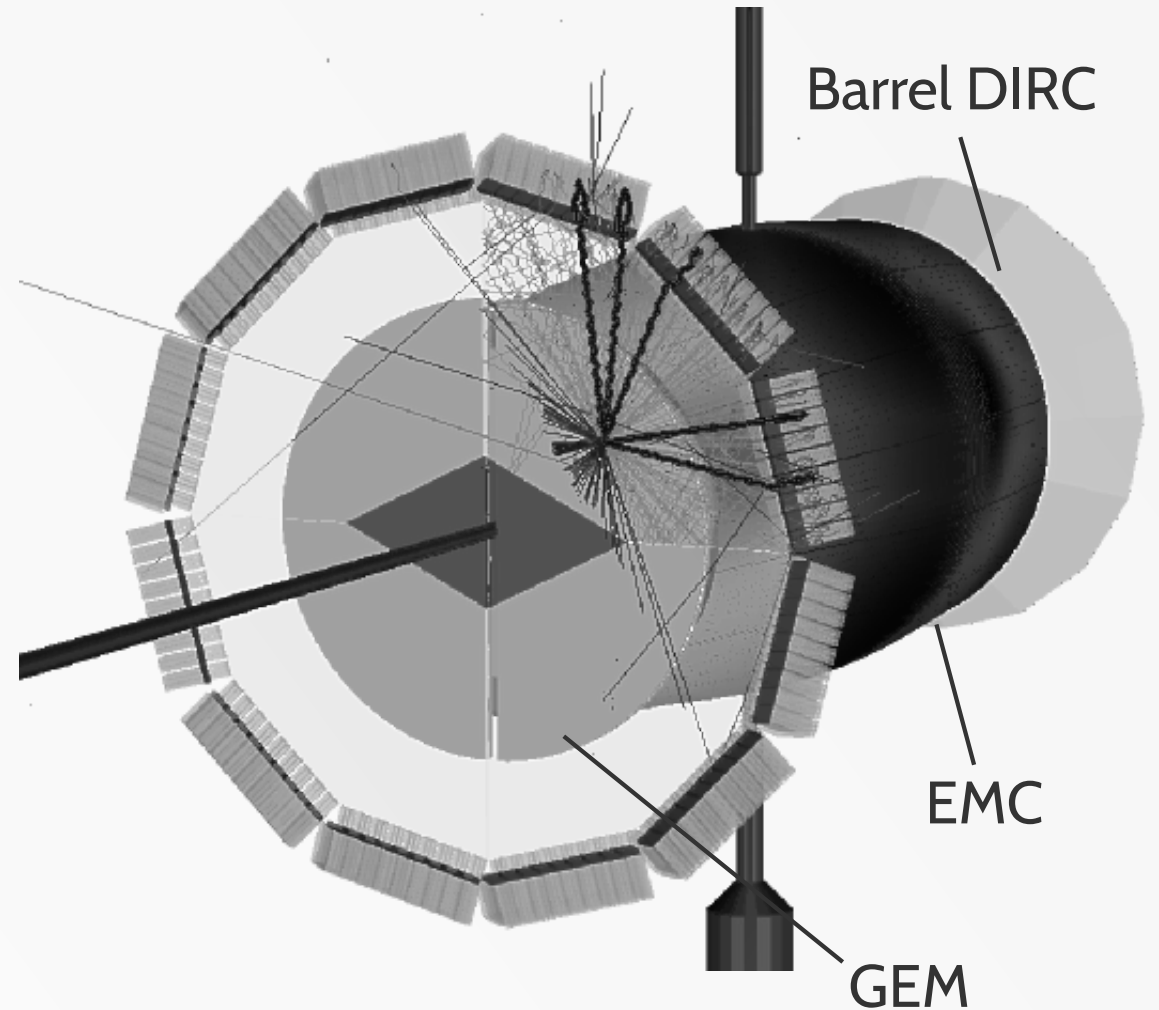
about 3 "Cherenkov emitting"  
tracks per interaction

triggerless operation

online particle identification

1 MeV neutron equivalent  
fluence:  $> 2 \cdot 10^{11} n_{eq}/cm^2$

limited space

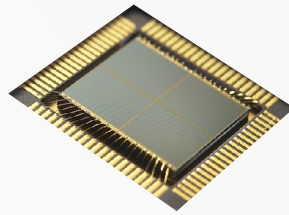




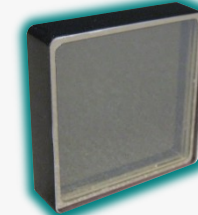
# Sensor options

## Silicon Photomultiplier

## Microchannelplate PMTs



e.g.  
Philips  
dSiPM



e.g.  
Photonis  
Planacon

peak PDE

~ 30 %

~ 22 %

B-field

independent

has to be aligned

time resolution

50 ps

35 ps +  $\sigma$ (FEE)

position res.

sub-mm (modification)

sub-mm possible

radiation hard

no

yes

dark count rate

high

low

readout

integrated, fully digital

has to be developed

cooling

required, -20 to 0 °C

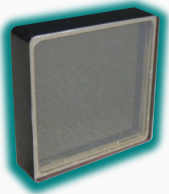
not required

lifetime limit

neutron fluence

total anode charge

# Sensor lifetime

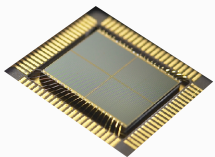


Integrated anode charge  $Q$  for  $N_{\text{ph}}$  detected photons per track

$$Q/N_{\text{ph}} = \underbrace{3 \cdot 10 \text{ MHz}}_{\text{track rate}} / \underbrace{(108 \cdot 25 \text{ cm}^2)}_{\text{total area}} \cdot \underbrace{e \cdot 10^6}_{\text{gain}} \cdot \underbrace{158 \cdot 10^6 \text{ s}}_{\text{time}} \approx 0.3 \text{ C/cm}^2$$

(2010)  $Q_{\text{max}} = 0.3 \text{ C/cm}^2 \Rightarrow N_{\text{ph}} = 1$  impossible 🙄

(2013)  $Q_{\text{max}} > 5 \text{ C/cm}^2 \Rightarrow N_{\text{ph}} > 16$  feasible 👍



1 MeV neutron equivalent fluence estimate:  $\Phi_{\text{eq}} > 2 \cdot 10^{11} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$

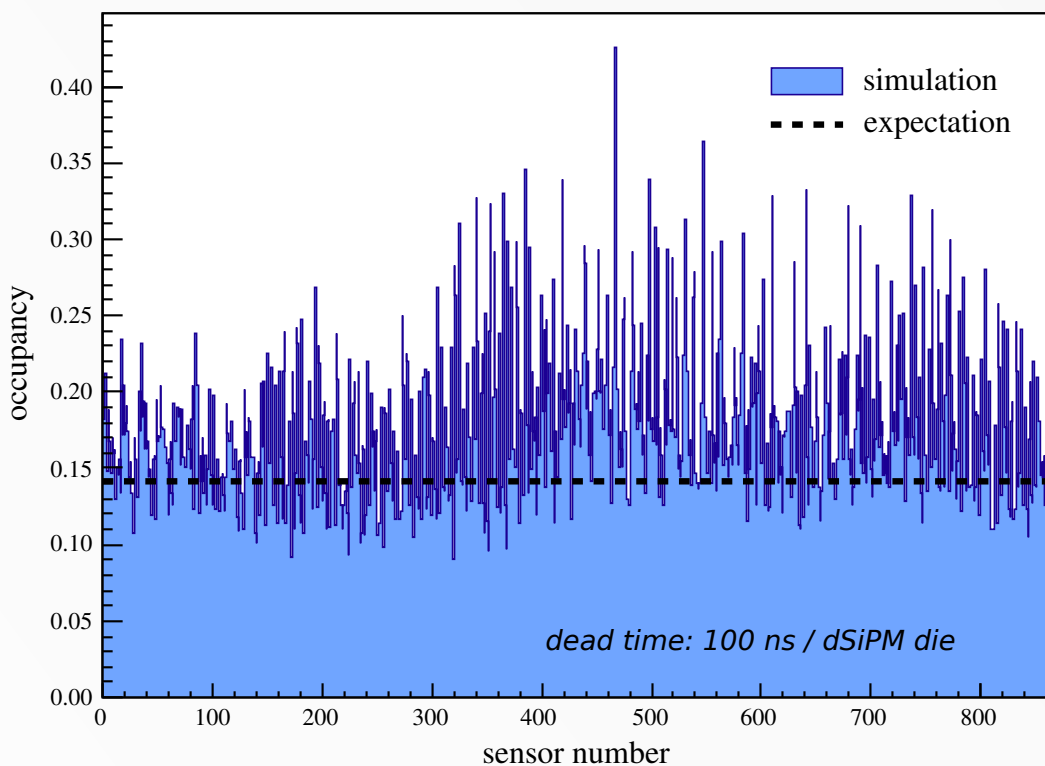
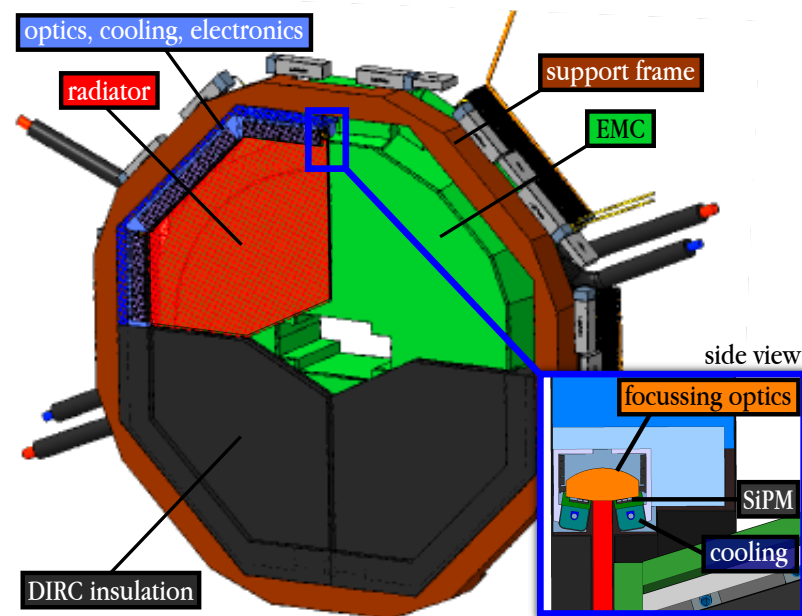
(2013)  $\Phi_{\text{eq}} < 4 \cdot 10^9 \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  (DCR too high) impossible 🙄

(future) radiation hardened designs ??

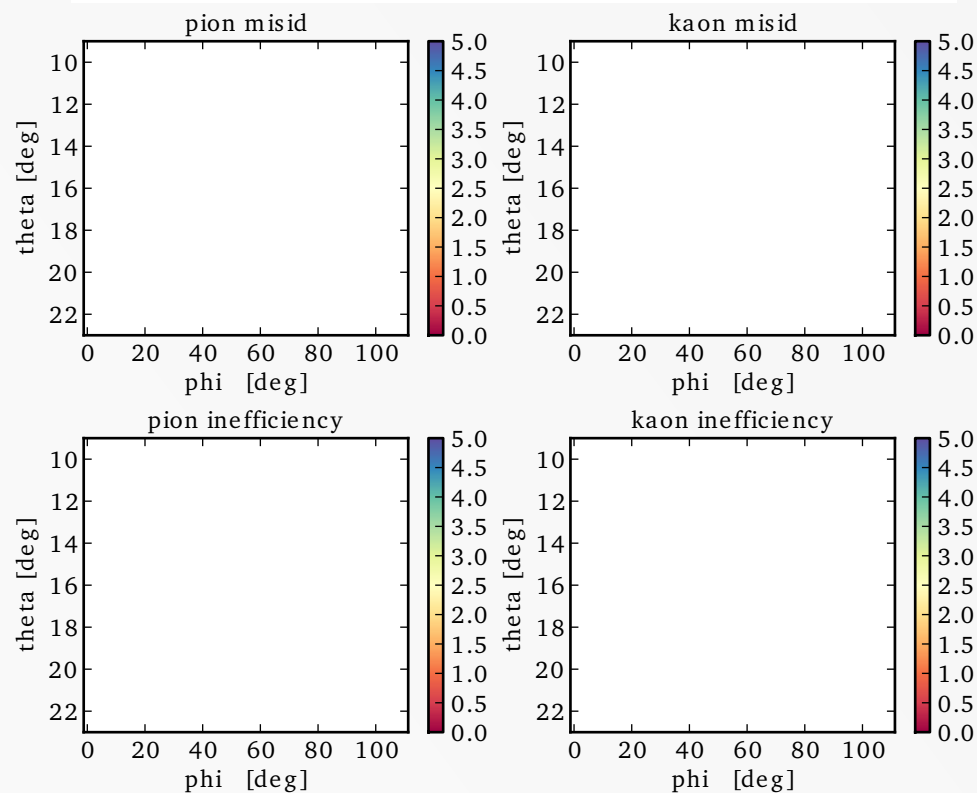
# dSiPM design option

can reach  $4\sigma$  at 4 GeV/c at high rates and experimental background

assuming:      cooling to  $0^\circ\text{C}$   
                   "Cherenkov readout"  
                   100 ns dead time/die



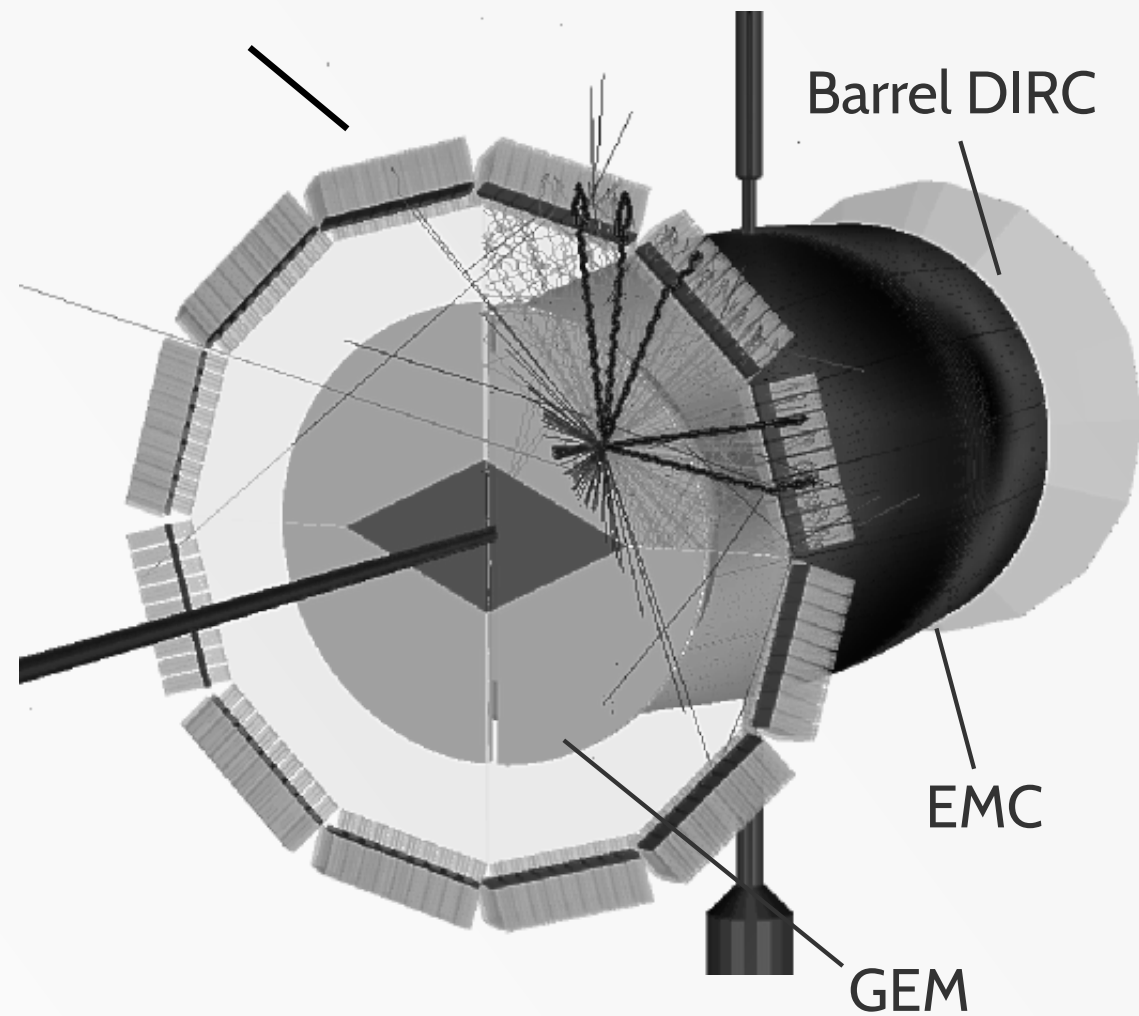
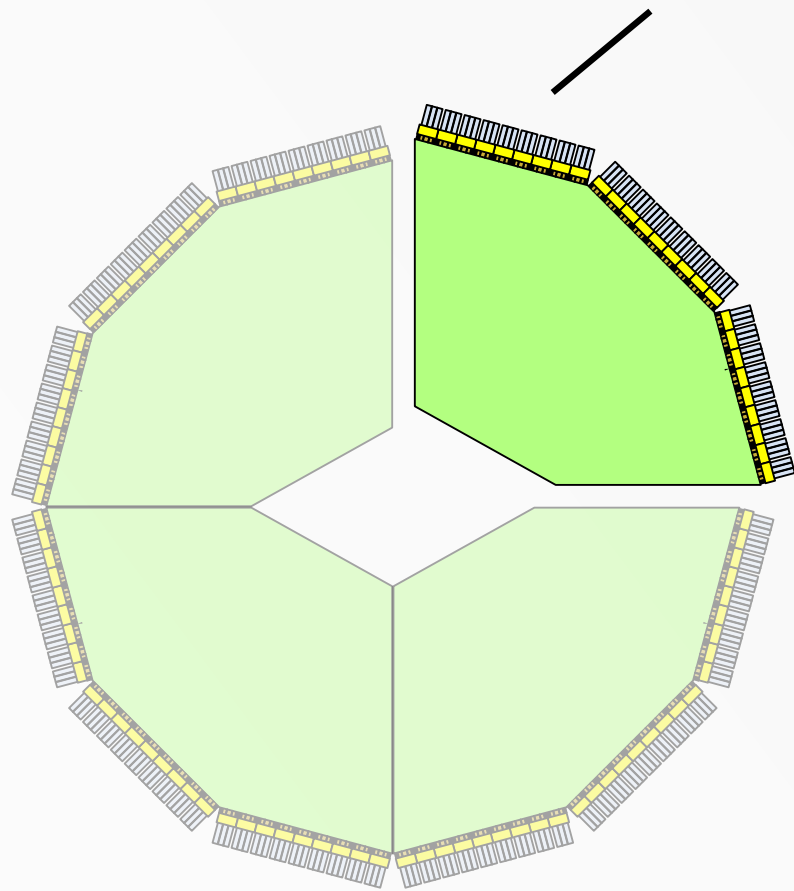
sensor occupancy from simulation



performance  $\theta$  vs  $\phi$

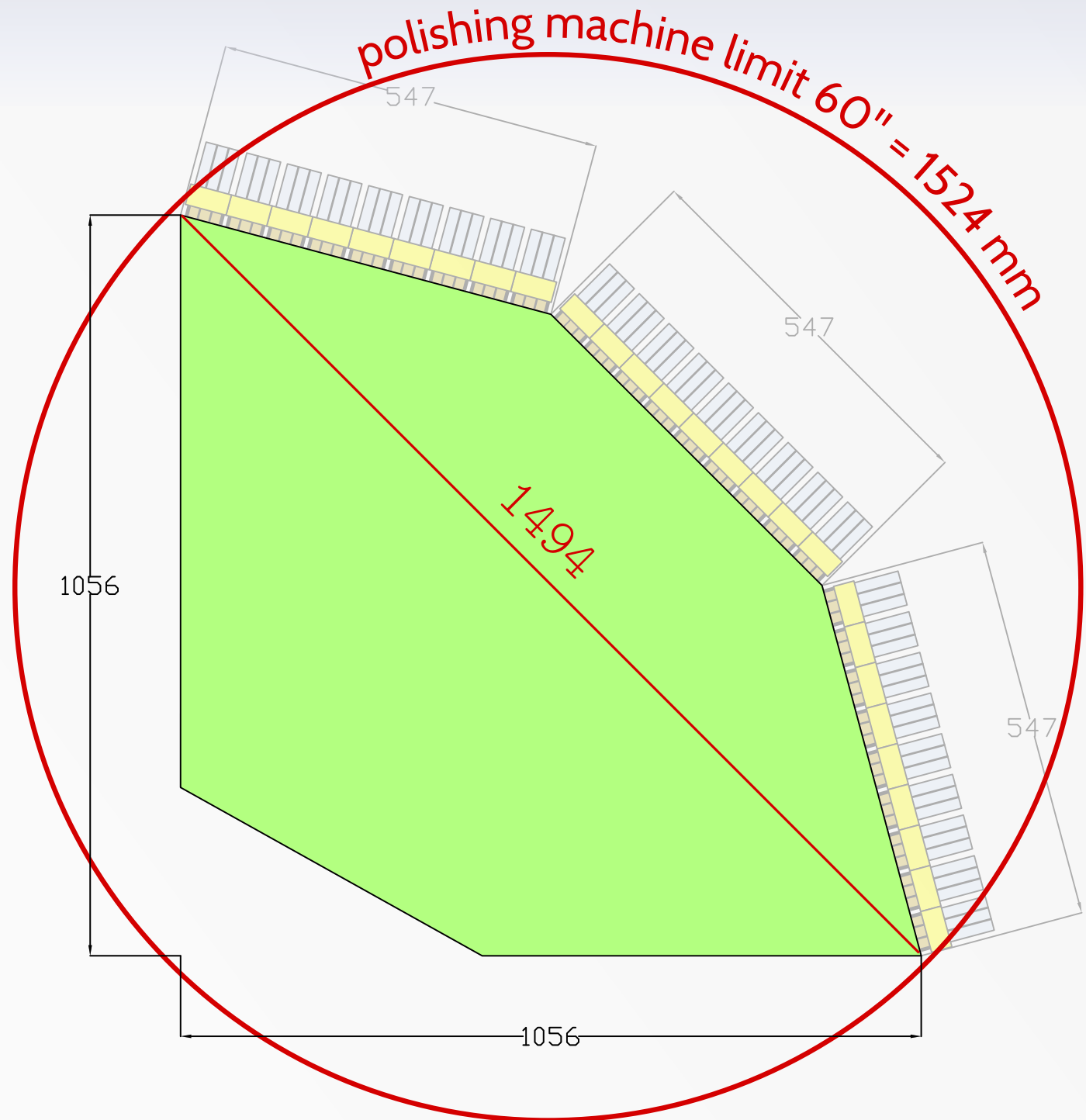
$\sigma_{x,y} = 2.5 \text{ mm}$        $\sigma_{\theta,\phi} = 1 \text{ mrad}$

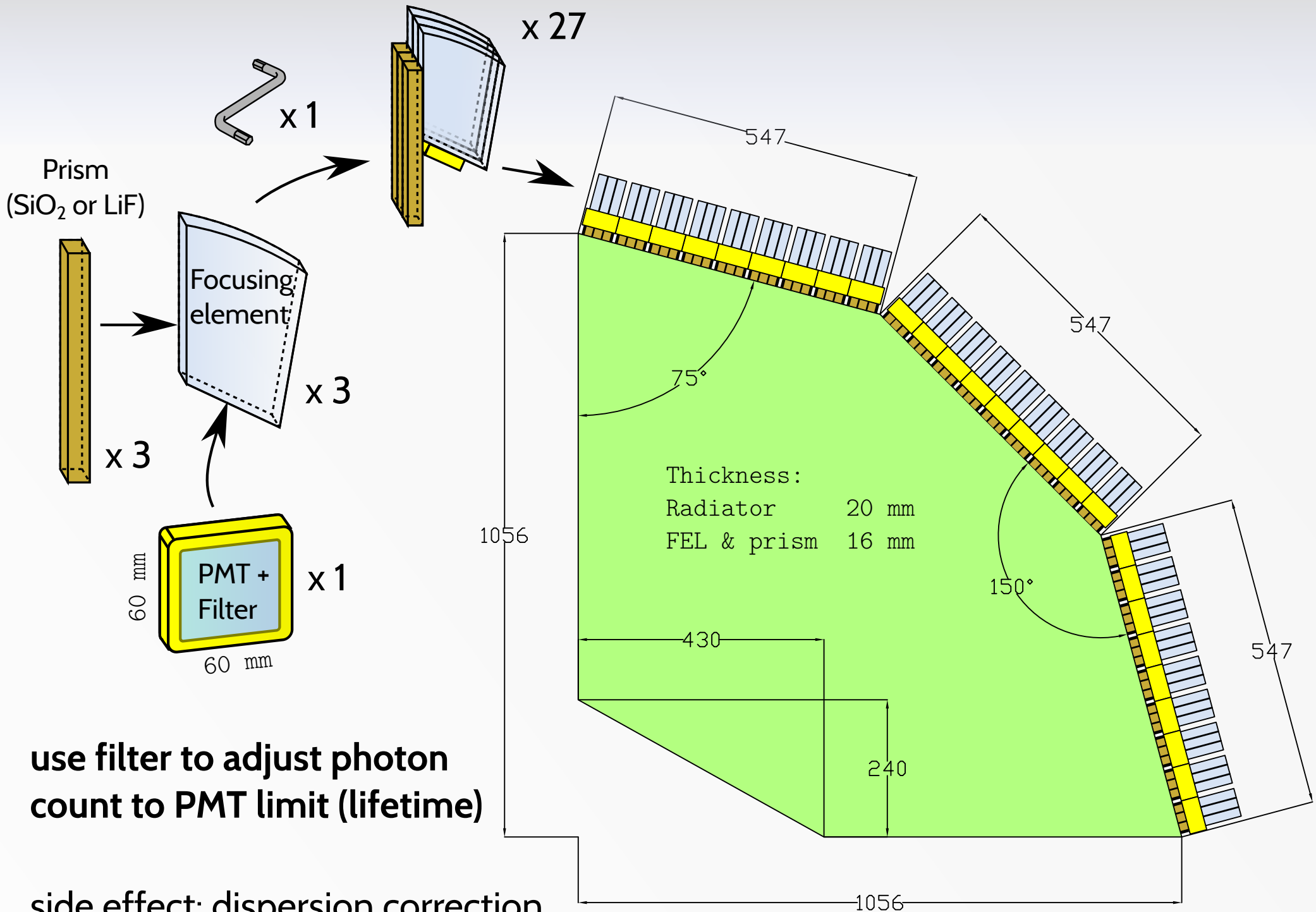
# 4 sub-detectors



avoid gluing of several radiator pieces  
(transmission problems,  
production risk)

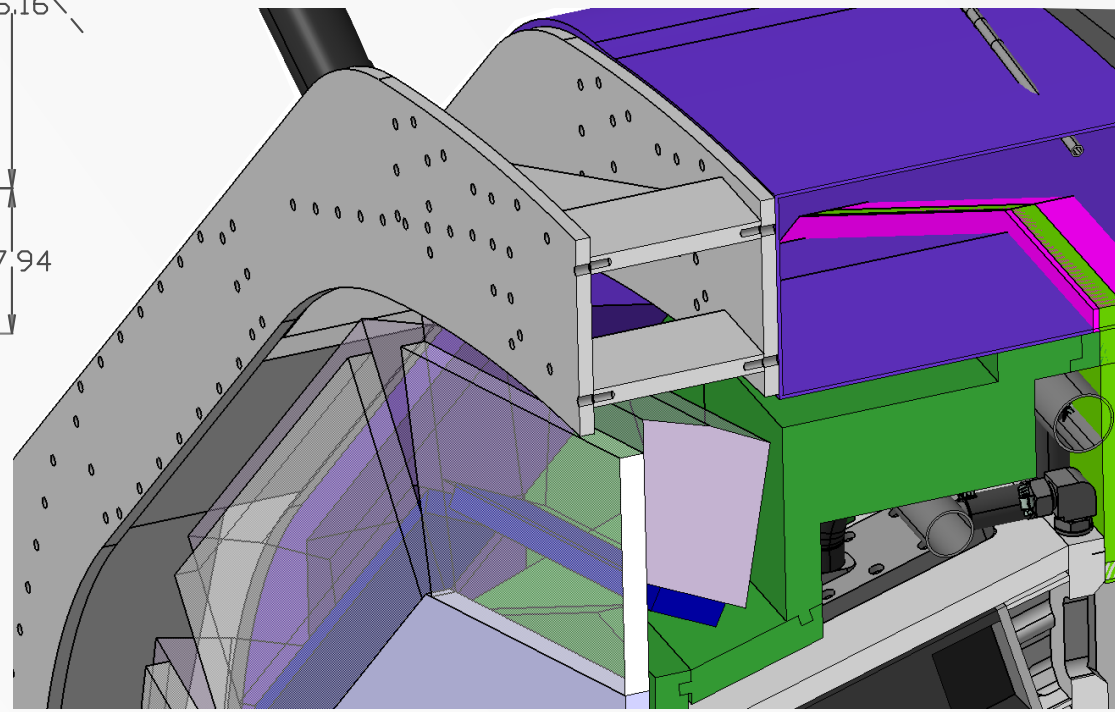
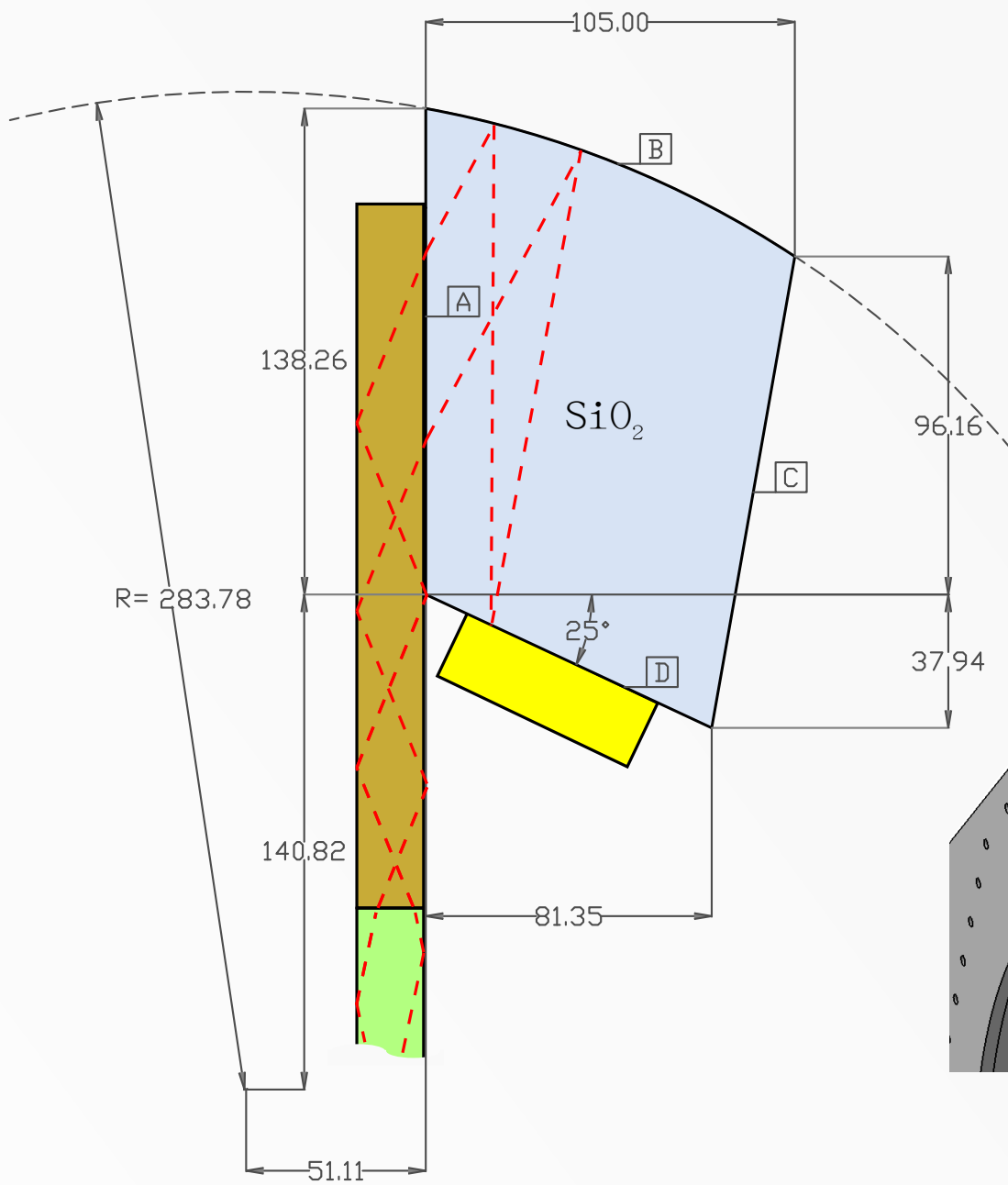
smaller plate is  
easier to handle  
(construction, transport)





**use filter to adjust photon count to PMT limit (lifetime)**

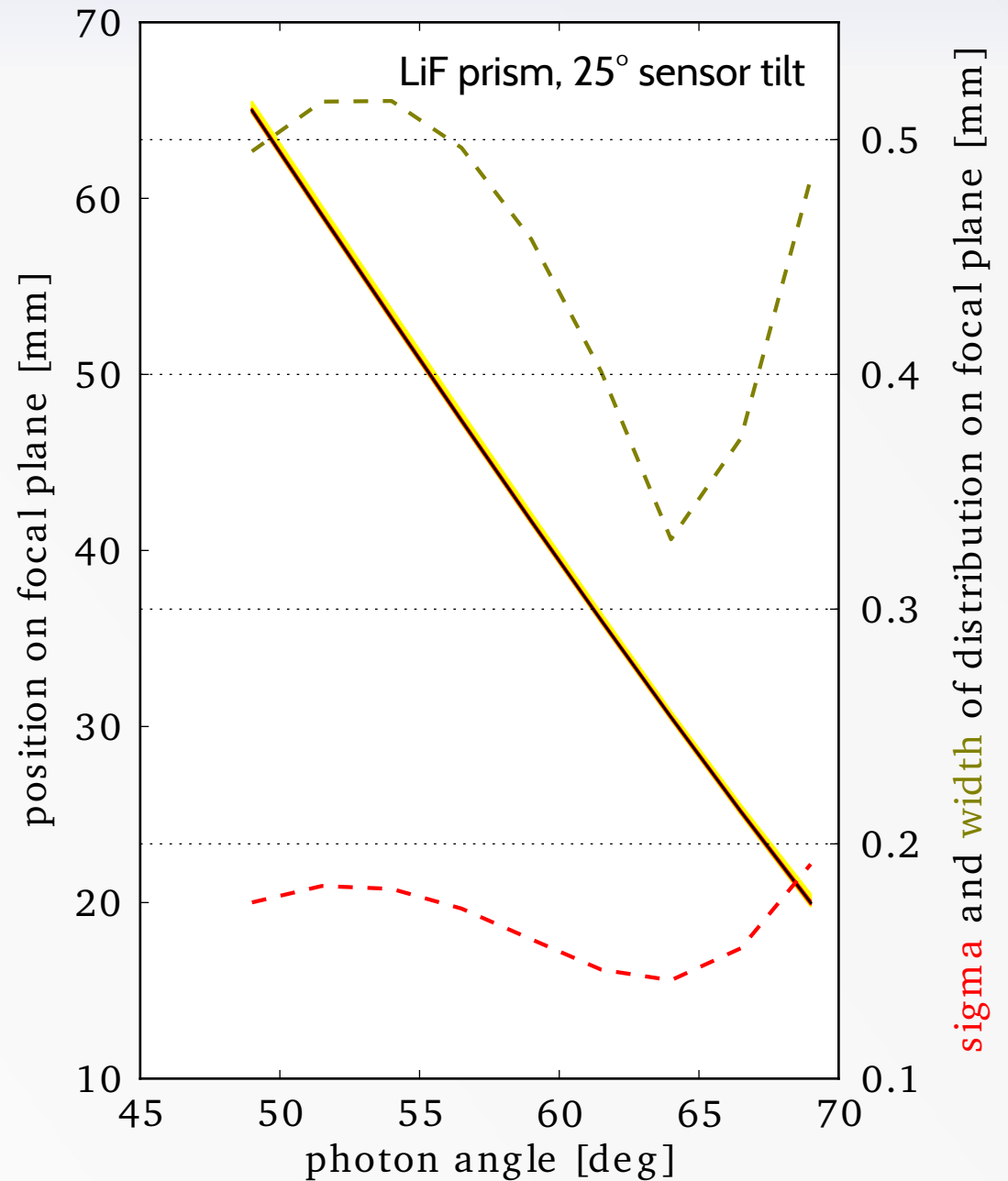
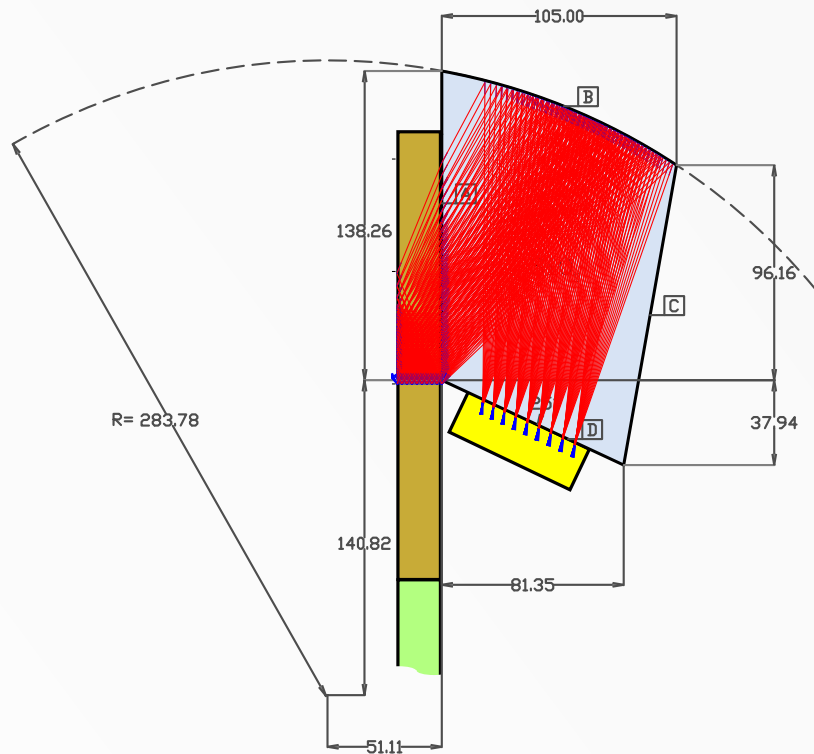
side effect: dispersion correction  
(can be enhanced by choosing LiF prism)



# Optics with LiF

cylindrical surface

good alignment to B-field



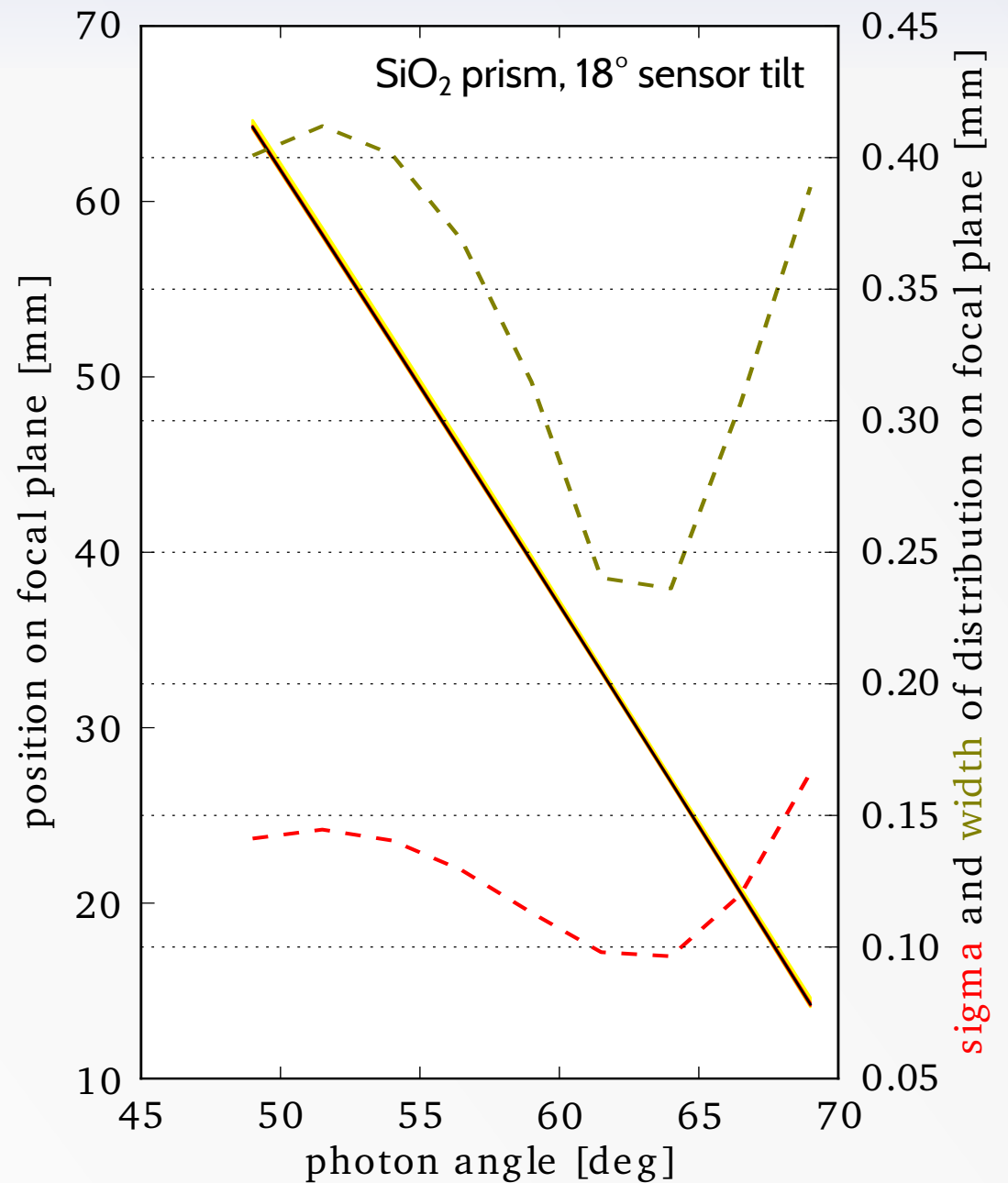
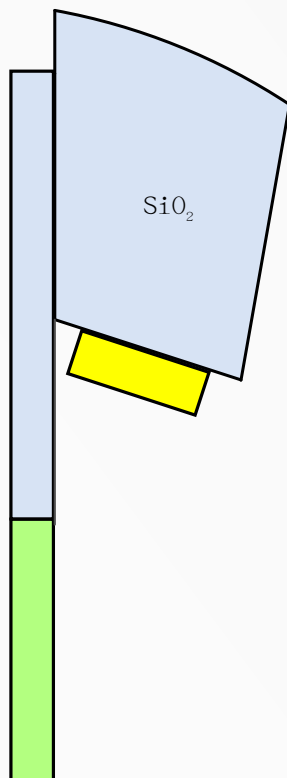


# Optics with SiO<sub>2</sub>

cylindrical surface

marginal alignment to B-field

prism becomes obsolete in  
case of a larger radiator  
(less glue joints)



# Advantages

no aspheres -> simpler to produce, lower cost

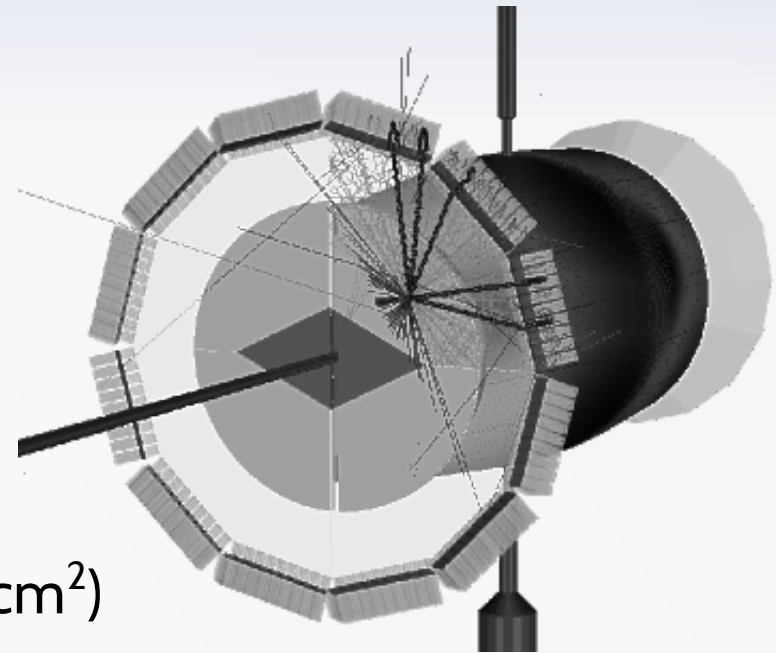
improved imaging resolution

realistic MCP-PMT lifetime requirements ( $5.5 \text{ C/cm}^2$ )

flexible, can ...

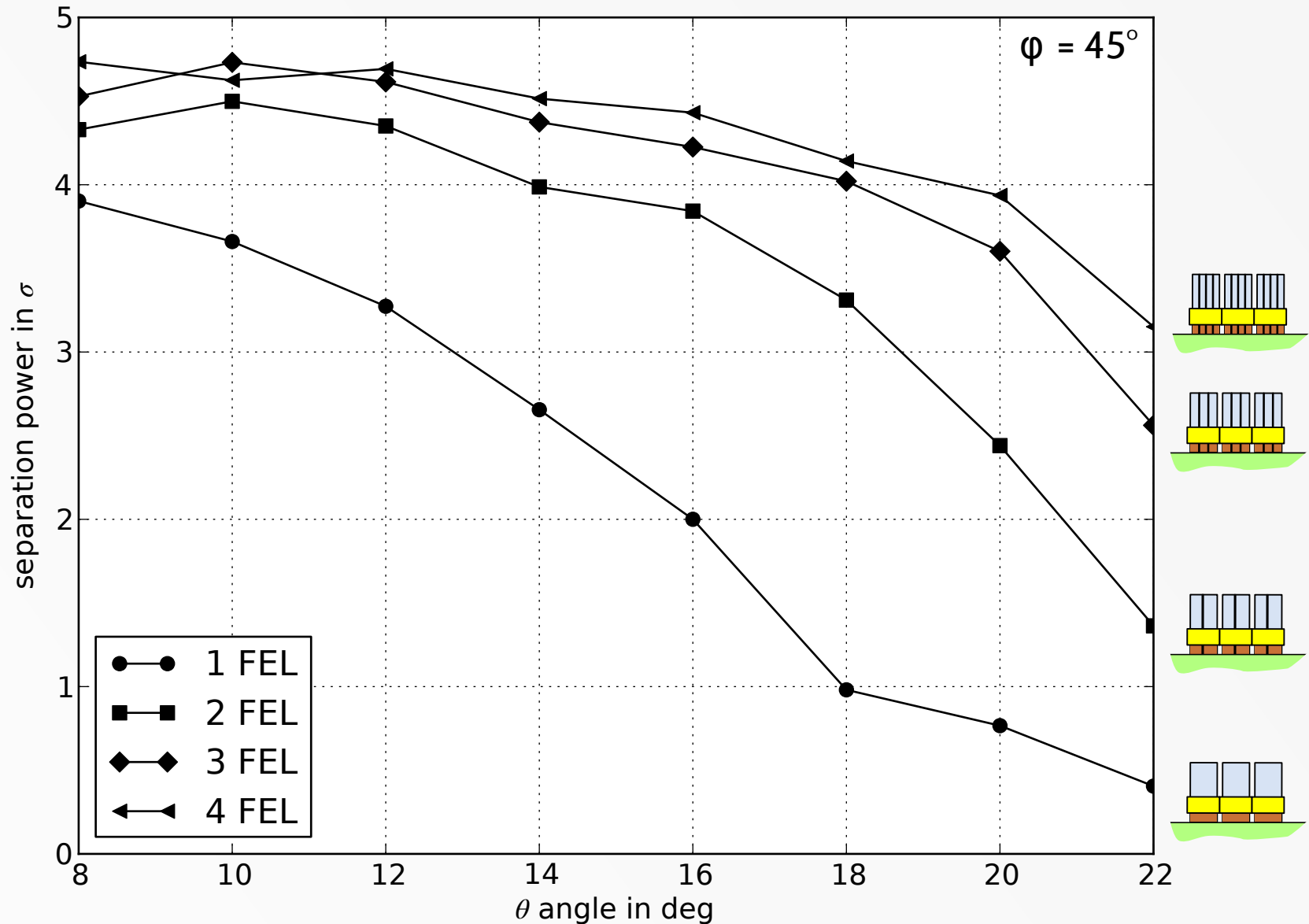
- be tuned to work with different photodetectors

- use LiF correction without major changes to the design



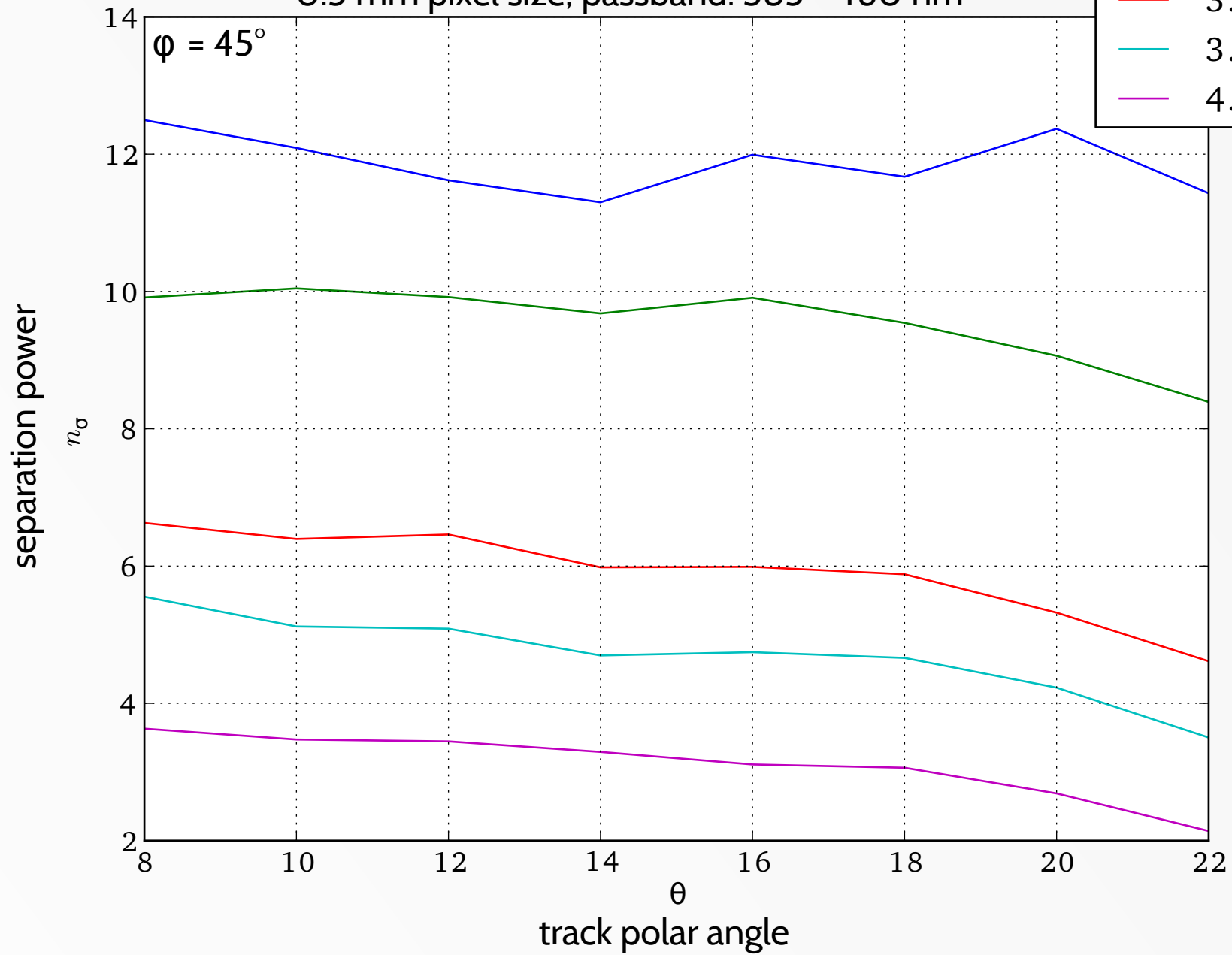
# $\pi/K$ separation at 4 GeV/c for different number of FELs (SiO<sub>2</sub> prism)

2 x 10k tracks/marker, no exp. background  
1 mrad smearing of particle track in  $\theta$  and  $\varphi$   
0.5 mm pixel size, passband: 385 - 460 nm



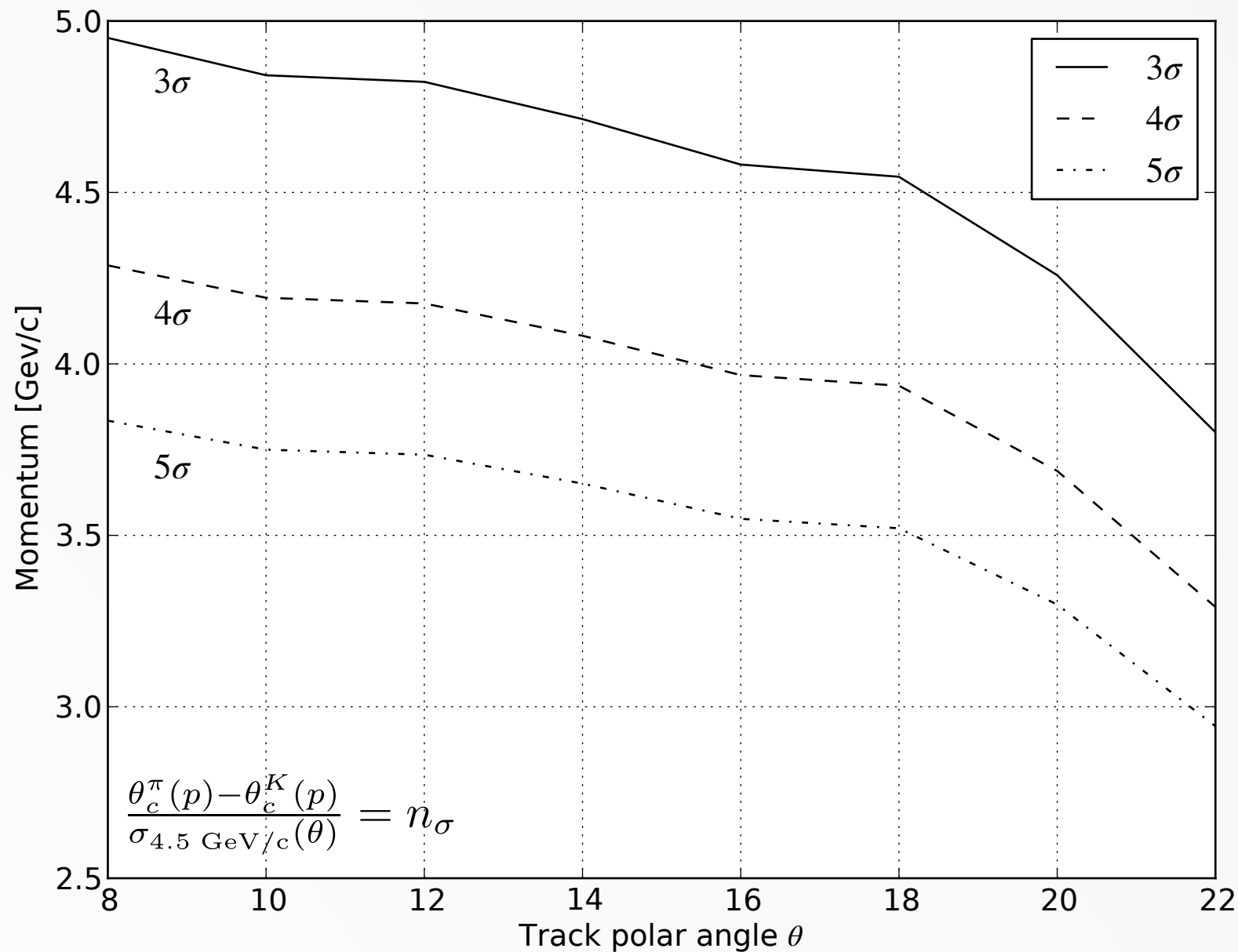
# $\pi/K$ separation at different momenta (3 FELs, $\text{SiO}_2$ prism)

2 x 10k tracks/marker, no exp. background  
1 mrad smearing of particle track in  $\theta$  and  $\phi$   
0.5 mm pixel size, passband: 385 - 460 nm



# $\pi/K$ separation theta vs. momentum (3 FELs, SiO<sub>2</sub> prism)

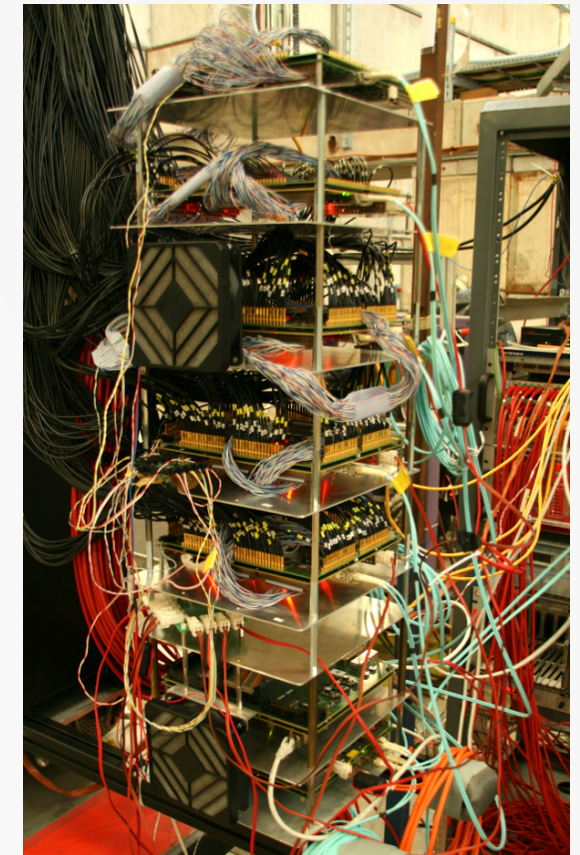
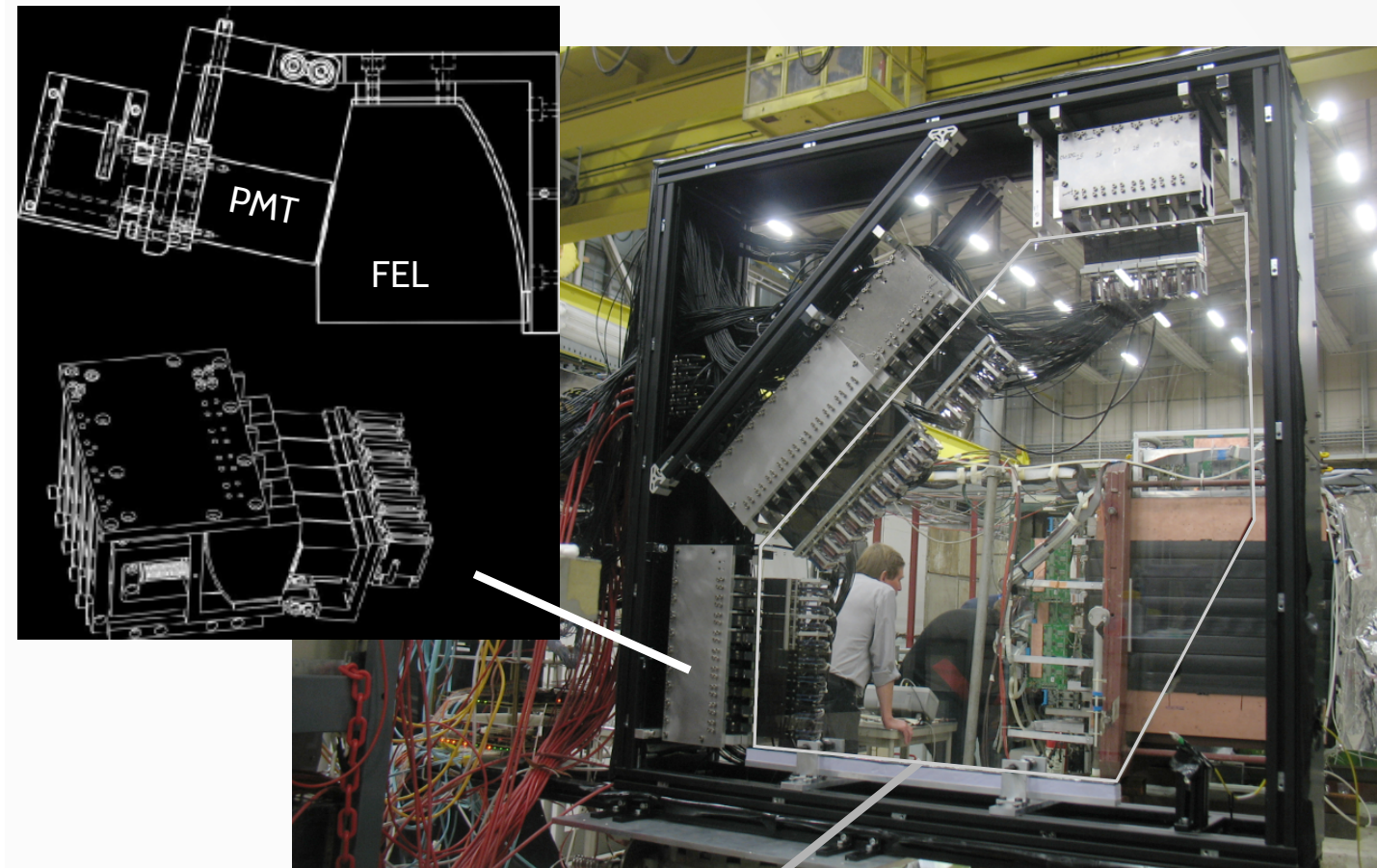
extrapolated from separation power at 4.5 GeV/c  
shown in previous plot



# Prototyping

Small scale prototype equipped with PMTs

TRB2 readout



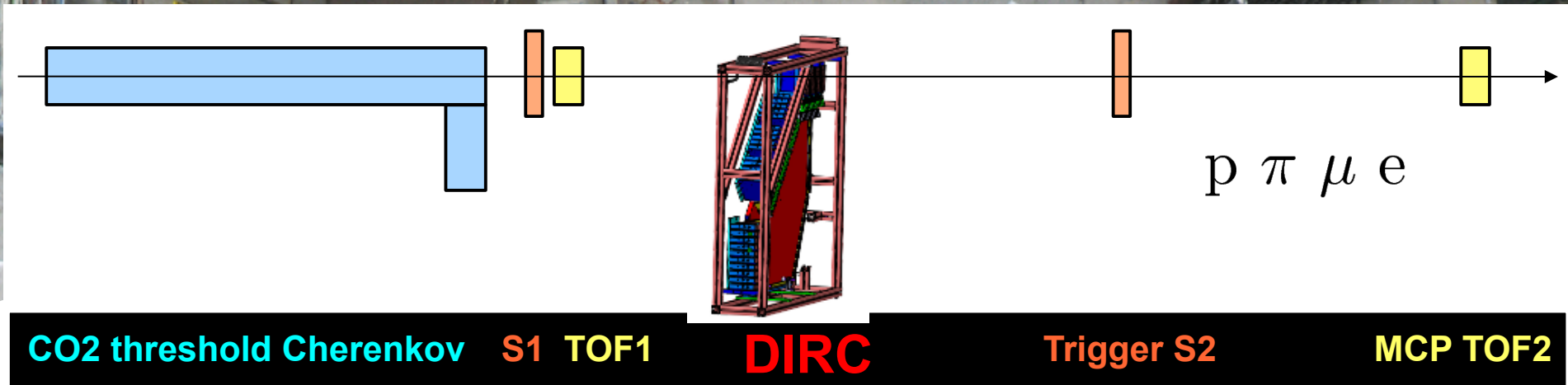
borofloat radiator

30 focusing elements (PMMA +Vikuiti ESR film)

30 PMTs (H10515B-100) with 16 pixels each -> 480 channels

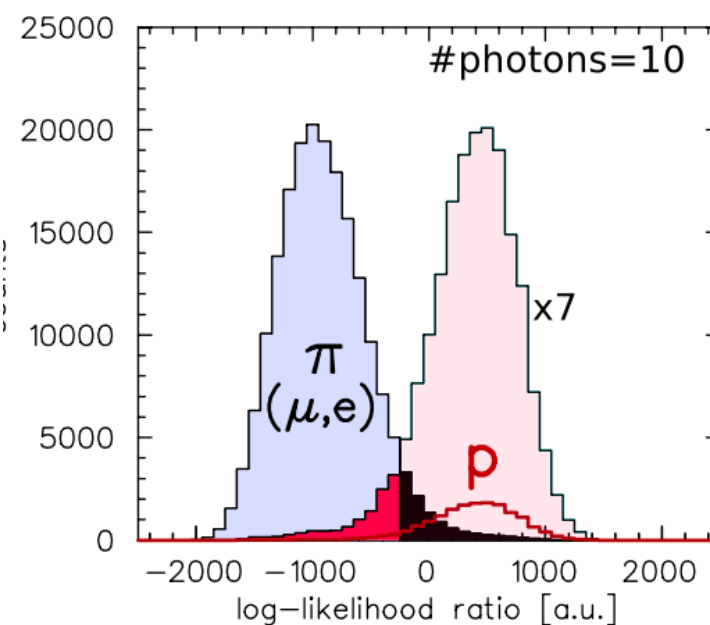
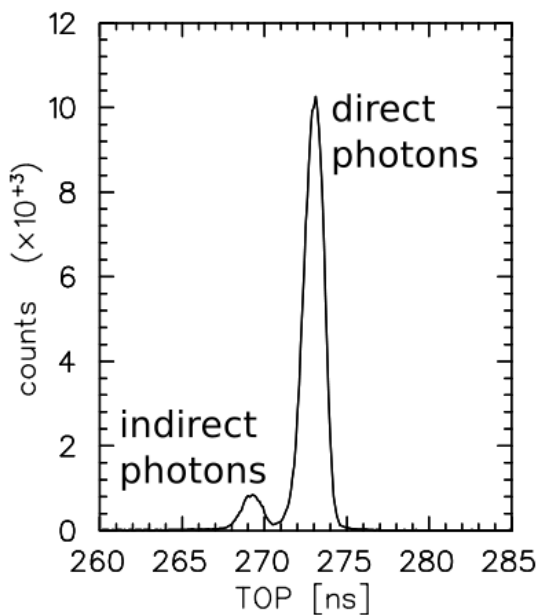
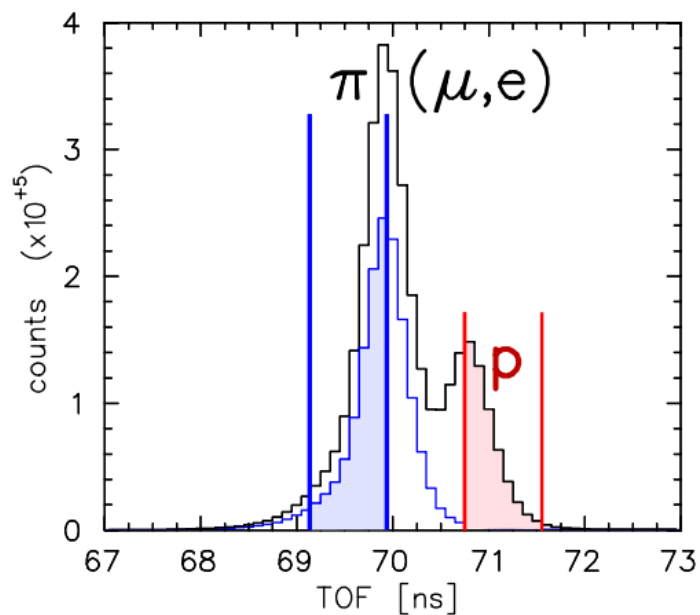
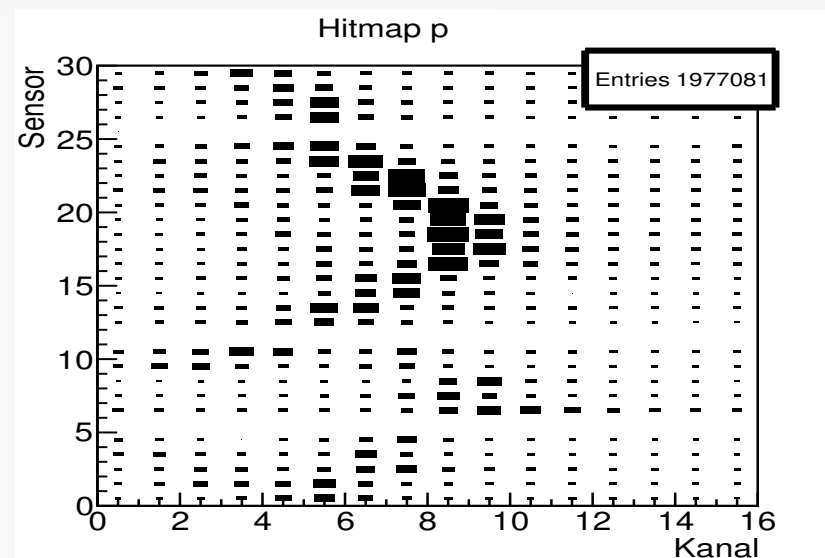
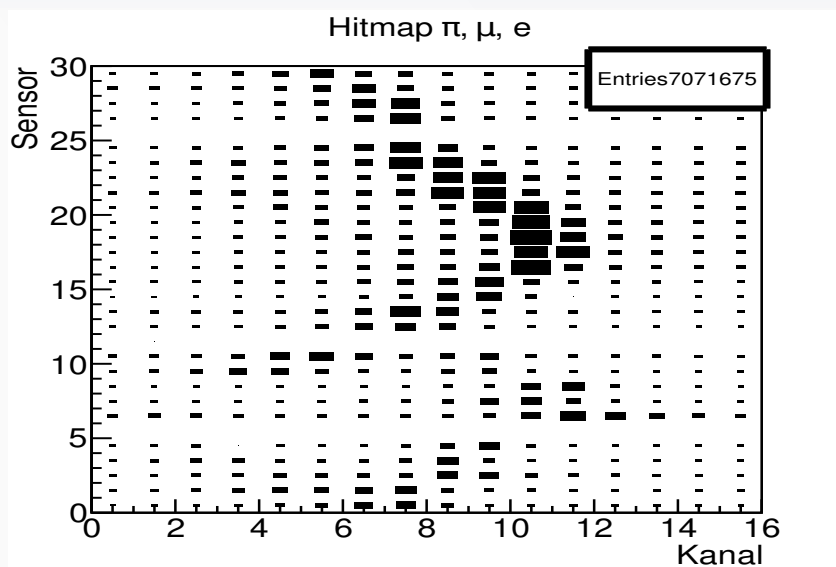
Setup at CERN T9 beamline

Details in Benno Kröck's talk, Friday



# Results

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Particle identification on a single event basis

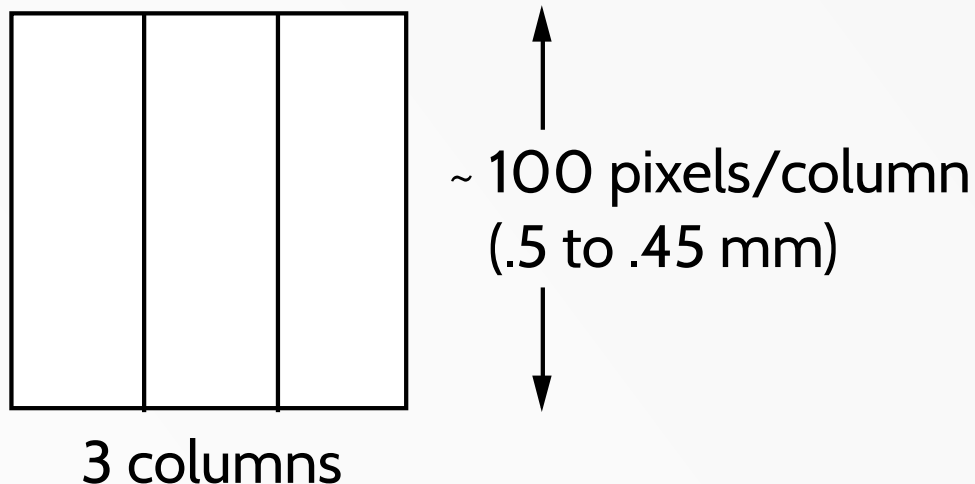


# We still need sensor, anode and readout options for the final device

**B-Field:** ~ 1 T

**Active area:** 50 x 50 mm<sup>2</sup> to 45 x 45 mm<sup>2</sup>

**Spatial resolution:**



**Rate:** up to 15 MHz per tube

**Time resolution:** < 100 ps

(have to evaluate if ns resolution is feasible)

**Solutions?**

TOF-PET ASIC

Timepix

CDIR